# Adventures in Computation

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"And some people prefer not to commingle the functional, lambda-calculus part of a language with the parts that do side effects. It seems they believe in the separation of Church and state." - Guy Steele

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# 1 Preliminaries

#### 1.1 Basics

Write the following code:

```
x = 2
y = 3
z = 4

square x = x * x
cube x = x * x * x
mul x y = x * y
```

Here you've defined 3 variables, and 3 functions. Execute the file in an interpreter, and evaluate the following expressions:

```
x
y
z
square 4
cube 3
mul 54 23
```

In Haskell, all variables and functions are immutable. This means they can't be changed. You might be thinking, how can we even write non-trivial programs without changing variables? However, immutability is very important. It is important to the concept of **referential transparency**. In Haskell, functions are referentially transparent. This means that if you call a function twice with the same input, it will always give the same output. In imperative languages, functions can have side effects, e.g. changing the value of a global variable. In functional programming side effects are eliminated. Here are examples in Python and Java of functions that have side effects, and are not referentially transparent:

```
public static int globalVariable = 5;

public static int badFunction(int x) {
        globalVariable = globalVariable + 1; // Causes a side effect
        return x + globalVariable; // Not referentially transparent
        // This is because the result depends on a mutable variable
}

globalVariable = 5

def badFunction(x):
        globalVariable = globalVariable + 1 # Causes a side effect
        return x + globalVariable # Not referentially transparent
        # This is because the result depends on a mutable variable
```

The concept of referential transparency comes from Mathematics. In Mathematics, functions e.g.  $\sin$  and  $\cos$  are referentially transparent. When you write  $\sin 30$ , this doesn't suddenly change a global variable, so that the next time you calculate  $\sin 30$  you get a different result.

#### 1.2 Arithmetic

Try these statements in the interpreter:

```
1 + 3

1 - 2

4 * 3

4 / 3

3 + 4 * 2

(3 + 4) * 2
```

As you can see, arithmetic works much the same as in most programming languages. However, Haskell provides some additional functions such as div and mod:

```
mod 12 5
div 4 3
even 3
even 4
odd 3
odd 4
max 4 5
min 4 5
min 23 (max 20 13)
```

- mod x y returns the remainder of x divided by y. It is similar to % in most languages.
- $\bullet$  div x y returns the x divided by y without the remainder. This is also called the quotient.
- Notice that in the last expression, the second function call had to be put in parentheses. If we had written min 23 max 20 13, Haskell would read it as min (23) (max) (20) (13) causing an error.

#### 1.3 Booleans

Booleans are values that are either true or false. In Haskell true is represented by True, and false by False. Try this out in the interpreter:

```
True
False
4 == 5
```

```
3 == 3
4 < 5
4 < 4
4 <= 5
4 <= 4
5 > 3 + 3
5 /= 6
True || False
True || True
False || False
True && False
True && True
False && False
5 == 5 || 6 == 5
6 == 5 || 5 == 5
5 == 5 && 6 == 5
4 > 5 || 5 > 6
```

==	Is equal to
<	Is less than
<=	Is less than or equal to
>	Is greater than
>=	Is greater than or equal to
\=	Doesn't equal
	Or
&&	And

Most of the Boolean operators should be self-explanatory. We will look at the AND and OR operators. || takes two Boolean values and returns true if either is true. && takes two Boolean values and returns true if both are true.

Х	У	х && у
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	True

X	У	x    y
False	False	False
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	True	True

### **Exercises**

1. Write a function equalFive that takes a parameter x and returns true iff (if and only if) x=5.

- 2. Write your own version of even, even' which takes a parameter x and returns true iff x is even.
- 3. Write your own version of odd called odd'.
- 4. Write a function called divisible ByThreeFive that takes a parameter x and returns true iff x is divisible by either 3 or 5.
- 5. Write a function called maxDivisibleByFive that takes parameters x and y, and returns true iff the biggest of the two is divisible by 5.
- 6. Write a function called maxThree that takes three parameters and returns the biggest of the three.

# 2 Haskell

#### **2.1** Lists

In Haskell, a list is created using square brackets, with commas to separate items:

```
[]
[1,2,3,4]
[1..10]
[1,3..10]
[10,9..1]
```

As you can see, you can create lists from one number to another, using .. notation. You can also specify the "step", that is the amount the number goes up or down by. Here are some things you can do with lists. Make sure to type the following into the interpreter:

```
1:[2,3,4] -- Prepend to a list
1:2:[3,4]
1:2:3:4:[]
head [1..5] -- First item
tail [1..5] -- Everything except the first item
null [1,2,3] -- Is the list empty?
null []
take 3 [1..10] -- Take the first 3 items
drop 3 [1..10] -- Drop the first 3 items
```

### **Exercises**

- 7. Write a function hasOneItem that takes a list as a parameter uses null and tail to return true if the list has only 1 item.
- 8. Write a function generateList takes one parameter n and returns a list containing all the items between 1 and n.
- 9. Write a function firstItemEven that takes a list as a parameter and returns true if its first item is even.
- 10. Write another function firstItemOdd that takes a list as a parameter and returns true if its first item is odd.
- 11. Write another function prepend4 that takes list as a parameter and returns the list with 4 prepended.

# 2.2 Pattern matching

Sometimes it is useful for a function to do different things based on its parameters. Using pattern matching, you can do different things based on the number of items, the lists you receive as parameters have. Here's an example of writing our own head function:

```
head' [] = error "List has no items"
head' (x:xs) = x
```

Here we've written our own head function. There are however two functions with the same name. Haskell, first, checks whether the arguments we've supplied match the first function, if not checks the second function. In the first function, we've specified an exact value, an empty list. Obviously, you can't return the first item of an empty list, so the error function is used to cause an error. The second function uses the prepend operator. Remember, the prepend operator takes two arguments: an item; and a list. The second function definition will accept any lists that can be written in that form, so a list of 1 item or more. E.g. [1] can be rewritten as 1: [], [1,2] can be rewritten as 1: [2]. The first item will then be accessible under x and the rest of the list (the tail) will be accessible as xs.

### **Exercises**

- 12. Write your own version of tail called tail'.
- 13. Write your own version of null called null'.

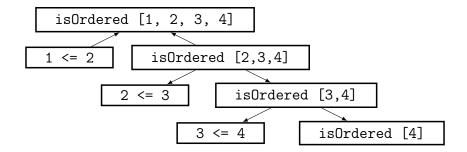
#### 2.3 Recursion

Sometimes to solve problems, the problem must be broken down into smaller sub-problems. Here is an example of a function that checks whether a list is ordered:

```
isOrdered [] = True
isOrdered (x:[]) = True
isOrdered (x:y:xs) = x <= y && isOrdered y:xs</pre>
```

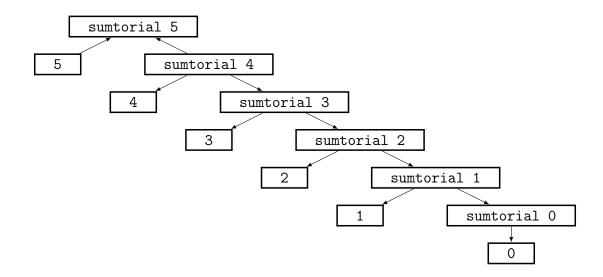
Can you see what it does? First, it states an empty list and a list containing only 1 item is ordered. This obviously has to be true. It then says, a list of 2 or more items is ordered, if the first item is smaller than or equal to the second item, and the rest of the list including the second item is sorted. Here is how the function would break down the list [1,2,3]:

Note that without isOrdered (x:[]) being defined, isOrdered would fail here. Why? Because eventually for any non-empty list, the function will be called with a list of only 1 item and without isOrdered (x:[]), Haskell would be unable to find a definition of isOrdered whose pattern matches a list of 1 item.



The process of a function calling itself, is called **recursion** and is essential to functional programming. In functional programming there are no loops: no for-loops, no while-loops, no do-loops. The only way of performing code repeatedly is recursively calling a function. But a base case must be defined! Here is an example of recursion with numbers:<sup>1</sup>

```
sumtorial 0 = 0
sumtorial n = n + sumtorial (n-1)
```



#### **Exercises**

- 14. Describe concisely what the above function does. What is the base case? To help do it, write the function, and test it with simple values. Execute the function on paper. For instance sumtorial 2 will become 2 + sumtorial 1 which will become 2 + 1 + sumtorial 0 which will become...
- 15. Write a similar function factorial n that calculates the product of all the numbers between 1 and n.
- 16. Write a function, length' that takes a list as a parameter and returns its length.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>sumtorial is from Penn's CIS194 Spring 13, lecture notes.

- 17. Write a function, sum' that takes a list as a parameter and returns the sum of all its items.
- 18. Write a function product' that takes a list as a parameter and returns the product of all its items.
- 19. Write a function maximum' that takes a list of numbers as a parameter and returns the biggest number.
- 20. Write a function minimum' that takes a list of numbers as a parameter and returns the smallest number.

# 2.4 Typing

Some languages such as Python, do not check for type errors until a program is run e.g. that you have not tried passing an integer to a function that expects a string. These languages are type unsafe. Languages such as Java require types to make sense before you run your program. The problem with Java is that you have to specify what type everything is, e.g:

```
int a = 4;
String name = "Bob";

public static int multiply(int x, int y) {
         return x * y;
}
```

In Java, we have to specify the types of variables, parameters and the return values of functions. Uncool! Haskell is also a type safe language, but unlike Java we don't have to specify these things. That's before Haskell supports type inference. If, for example, you have written:

```
x = 5
triple x = x * 3
```

Haskell will figure out that x is obviously an integer, because you have assigned it to one. Similarly, Haskell will infer triple takes a numeric data type as a parameter, as it performs multiplication on it. It will also figure out that you are returning a numeric data type. Note that all the items of a list have to be of the same type, i.e. a list is homogenous. A Boolean list is treated as a different data type from an integer list.

However, Haskell, forever full of great ideas, allows something called polymorphism. This means you can create a functions that work on multiple similar types, with only one declaration. Here's an example:

```
head'(x:xs) = x
```

The above function is also polymorphic, it will work on lists of any types, including lists of lists. Haskell infers that the type of the list doesn't matter here.

Normally, we can rely on Haskell's type inference powers to avoid having to write types. However, it is good practice to write type definitions, for all top-level functions (all the functions you've seen so far are top-level). This is makes what we expect our functions to do explicit. It means Haskell is more likely to infer types correctly, and that our code is easier to debug. Here is how we would write a type class for double.

```
double :: Int -> Int
double x = x * 2
```

Note that type definitions are usually written above functions. The double colon indicates that you are making a type definition. The type definition above says that the function double expects an integer and returns an integer. Here is an example for a function with multiple parameters:

```
mul :: Int -> Int -> Int
mul x y = x * y
```

The type definition here means expecting two integers and returning an integer. The last in the sequence of -> is the return value.

Here is an example using lists:

```
sum' :: [Int] -> [Int]
sum' [] = 0
sum' (x:xs) = x + sum' xs
```

Here we see how to denote an integer array. To denote polymorphism with lists you use any name beginning with a lowercase letter e.g.:

```
head' :: [a] -> a
head' (x:xs) = x
```

The above definition means that head expects a list of some type a and returns a value of the same type a. One-letter names are usually chosen for convenience. Because the names of all actual types begin with an uppercase letter, lowercase letter must always begin the name used with polymorphism.

#### **Exercises**

From now on always write type definitions for functions.

- 21. Write a function last' that takes a list and returns the final item.
- 22. \* Write a function and ' that takes a Boolean array and returns true if all the array's items are true. In Haskell the Boolean type is Bool.

- 23. \* Write a function all' that takes a Boolean array and returns true if at least one of the array's items is true.
- 24. \* Write a function interadd' that takes an array and an item and adds the item after every item, for instance interadd 10 [1,2,3] would return [1,10,2,10,3,10].
- 25. \* Write a function reverse' that takes an array and reverses it. To do this, you will need to know how to concatenate lists. If you have two lists, [1..3] and [4..6 to concatenate them, you must use the ++ operator, i.e. [1..3] ++ [4..6].

# 2.5 Type Classes

In Haskell sometimes, you will want to create a polymorphic function, but you will want the polymorphic type to have certain capabilities. For example, the only numeric type we have looked at is the Int type, however in Haskell there are lots of other numeric types: Integer, Float, Double, etc. All of these come under one category, called a typeclass, known as Num. Being members of Num, means that they implements certain functions, namely those for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The Haskell interpreter allows you to see the types of functions and variables. Let's see the type of the sum' function we created a while back, by typing:

```
:t sum'
```

You should see:

```
sum' :: (Num a) => [a] -> a
```

Whereas you probably expected something like:

```
sum' :: [Int] -> Int
```

The [a] -> a looks very much like a polymorphic type, except for the (Num a) => bit. This bit is called a type constraint. It says that the polymorphic type a must be a member of the Num typeclass. You could of course, have written an explicit type definition making it only work with integers, but Haskell's type inference chooses the most flexible possible type definition as possible by default. Let's look at the type of our equalsFive function:

```
:t equalsFive
equalsFive :: (Num a, Eq a) => a -> Bool
```

Here we have two type constraints on a. It must be a number, but also must be part of the Eq typeclass, meaning you can use == and /= on it. What about if we had a function say:

```
greaterThanFive x = x > 5
```

It's type definition would be:

```
:t greaterThanFive
greaterThanFive :: (Num a, Ord a) => a -> Bool
```

The Ord typeclass means that you can use comparison functions, such as >. So far Num, Eq and Ord are the only typeclasses you need to be aware of.

#### 2.6 Guards

Guards are similar to pattern matching, but instead of patterns, Boolean conditions are used. For example here is a custom implementation of the max function:

You can use guards with pattern matching as well, here is the maximum function again, that returns the biggest item in a list.

Haskell goes through each Boolean condition in turn, until it finds one that evaluates to true. otherwise just equals true, so it acts as a catch-all case.

#### **Exercises**

Remember to continue writing type definitions for functions, using typeclasses such as Num, Eq and Ord, where possible.

- 26. Write a function status that takes a number and returns 0 iff the number is divisible by 2 and 3, 1 iff the number is divisible by 2 and 2 iff the number is divisible by 3.
- 27. Write a function lessThanForty that takes two numbers and return true iff the sum of the two numbers is less than 40. (You shouldn't need to use guards here.)
- 28. Write a version of min called min' that uses guards.
- 29. Write minimum'' that takes a list and returns the smallest item in a list uses guards and pattern matching.
- 30. ★ Write elem' that takes two parameters an item and a list and returns true iff the item is in the list using guards and pattern matching.
- 31. ★ Write merge that takes two sorted lists and returns a new list containing the items from both of them, that is also sorted.

# 3 Intermediate Haskell: Part I

We've looked at the very basics of Haskell: referential transparency, recursion and types. In this section, we will dive further, looking at the bread and butter of Haskell programming: maps, filters and folds; partial function application; and tuples.

# 3.1 Maps and Filters

Recursion is powerful, but usually we can do better with the map and filter functions. Here is an example of the map function.

```
double :: (Num a) => a -> a
double x = x * 2

doubleList :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
doubleList xs = map double xs
```

map is a higher-order function, because it takes a function as a parameter, in this case double. map takes a function and a list and applies the function to every element of the list. It then returns this new list. Here is an example of filter:

```
filterEvens :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
filterEvens xs = filter even xs
```

filter also is a higher-order function. It takes a function and a list as a parameter. The function takes in an element of the list and returns true or false. If it returns true, then filter keeps the element, otherwise it discards it.

#### 3.2 Where Clauses

In order to keep our code tidy, we can create functions and variables that are only accessible from a single function/variable we could rewrite our first example to:

```
doubleList :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
doubleList xs = map double xs
  where double x = x * 2
```

Here's a more advanced example:

```
bob = sum (filter divisible [1..1000])
where divisible = mod n 3 == 0 || mod n 5 == 0
```

The bob isn't a function, it is a variable. It is the sum of all the numbers between 1 and 1000 divisible by 3 or 5.

#### **Exercises**

- 32. Write a function free5 that takes a list and returns true iff it doesn't contains a multiple of 5.
- 33. Write a function add5 that takes a list and returns a new list with 5 added to every element.
- 34. Write a function remove6andAdd4 that takes a list, removes and 6s and adds 4 to every item.
- 35. Write a function length'' that takes a list and maps every item with 1, before using sum to get its length.
- 36. Write a function divisors that takes a number and returns all its divisors. You will need to use arithmetic series ([1..5]) notation.
- 37. ★ Write a function isPrime that takes a number and returns true iff it is a prime number using map and filter.
- 38. \* Write a function isPerfect that takes a number and returns true iff the number is a perfect number. A perfect number is a number that equals the sum of its proper divisors. A proper divisor is any divisor of a number, that isn't the number itself.
- 39. ★ Use recursion to write your own version of the map function, called map'. It should have the following type definition:

```
map' :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
```

In other words, it takes two parameters, a function that turns a to b, and a list of a. It then returns a list of b.

40. ★ Use recursion and guards, to write your own version of the filter called filter.

Try a figure out the type definition yourself.

# 3.3 Characters and Strings

In Python, there is no difference between using a single quote mark and using a double quote mark to represent Strings. In Haskell, as well as in Java, there is. A string is merely a list of characters. A character is something like 'a' or ' $\delta$ ' or '1' or ','. In Haskell, a character is its own distinct data type. If you use a single quote marks, you are signifying a character. So for example, you can write 'a', but you cannot write 'Hello', or even ''. If you are using double quote marks you are signifying a string, and in Haskell a string is implemented as a list of characters. So "Hello" is just a nicer way of saying ['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']. Here is a function that takes a string and returns true if its first letter is 'a':

```
firstLetterA :: [Char] -> Bool
firstLetterA [] = False
firstLetterA (x:xs) = x == 'a'
```

Look! Pattern matching works just like you would expect it to. The authors of Haskell realised that people preferred to say String rather than Char for the sake of readability. In fact, there are lots of times where you want to call a complex type by a simple name. To do this they came up with a type synonym. Much like a synonym in the real world, a type synonym is just another way of referring to a type. For instance, to be able to refer to a list of integers as a sequence, one could write:

```
type Sequence = [Int]
a :: Int -> Sequence
a 0 = []
a n = n:(sequence (n-1))
```

Of course, since everybody would want to use String, they decided to make it part of the prelude. The prelude is loaded up by default by Haskell before anything else. It contains the functions such as head and max. It also contains the line:

```
type String = [Char]
```

Therefore, our firstLetterA function can be written like this, without having to write an additional type synonym:

```
firstLetterA :: String -> Bool
firstLetterA [] = False
firstLetterA (x:xs) = x == 'a'
```

#### 3.4 Functions on Characters

We will look at the following functions that work with characters. They are not included in the prelude, instead they are available from the Data. Char module. To access Data. Char, you need this at the top of your file:

```
import Data.Char
```

ord returns the ASCII (numeric) value for a given character. For instance ord 'A' is 65. chr is the inverse function. It returns the character for a given number, ASCII value. So chr 65 is 'A'. isUpper and isLower return true iff a character is uppercase and lowercase respectively. toUpper and toLower make a character uppercase and lowercase respectively. Try the following out in a Haskell interpreter:

```
ord 'A'
ord 'B'
map ord "Bob"
chr 65
chr 66
chr (65 + 26)
map chr [65,66,67]
```

```
toUpper 'b'
toUpper 'B'
map toUpper "Bob"
toLower 'B'
toLower 'b'
map toLower "Bob"
isUpper 'A'
isLower 'A'
map isUpper "Bob"
map isLower "Bob"
filter isUpper "Bob"
filter isLower "Bob"
```

# **Exercises: Caesar's Cipher**

You are now, going to write a version of Caesar's Cipher. It will be simple and shift every alphabetic character 13 places in the alphabet. So 'A' will become 'N', 'B' will become 'O' and so on. The only code (aside from type definitions), you will be given is:

```
caesar :: String -> String
caesar str = str
```

At the moment, the string returns its input. You will change it later, to do what it should do.

41. The first function you are going to write, will use ord and maps and take a string and return the corresponding list of ASCII values:

```
ordString :: String -> [Int]
```

42. ★ We now need a function that takes an uppercase character and shifts it 13 places in the alphabet:

```
shiftUpper :: Int -> Int
```

This function takes in an ASCII value and will need to shift the it 13 places. But you cannot merely add 13. Otherwise, it will not work for letters in the second half of the alphabet. There are a number of ways to go about doing this, you may want to define several additional functions in a where clause.

43. ★ You need to do the same thing for lowercase letters:

```
shiftLower :: Int -> Int
```

44. You need a function, that will shift any character, or not shift at all if it isn't alphabetic. This is where you would need guards, isUpper and isLower. We will also need our previously defined shift functions.

```
shift :: Int -> Int
```

45. Once you've shifted a list of ASCII values, you will need to convert them all back to a string, using chr:

```
chrString :: [Int] -> String
```

46. Finally, you can go to your Caesar's cipher function, and use ordString, chrString and shift to complete your code.

#### 3.5 Folds

Previously, we have looked at recursive functions a lot. Recursion is great, but generally functional programmers prefer to use maps, filters and something called folds. These are higher-order functions (functions that take functions) and provide abstractions over recursion. Whereas, understanding an unfamiliar recursive function is difficult, everybody is familiar with maps, filters and folds. The first fold function we will look at is fold11. It has the type:

```
foldl1 :: (a -> a -> a) -> [a] -> a
```

fold11 takes a function f that takes two a values and combines them into a single a value. It then takes a list of a values and applies f to items 1 and 2. It then applies f to the result and item 3. It then applies f to the result and item 4, and so on. E.g.:

```
add x y = x + y

m = foldl1 add [1,2,3,4]
```

m would equal 10. Why? Well m would equal add(add(1,2),3),4). First it would do add(1,2). This is 3. 3 is the accumulator. Then it would do, add(add(1,2),3), i.e. add 3 to the value of the accumulator, yielding 6. Then it would do add(add(add(1,2),3),4), i.e. add 4 to the value of accumulator, yielding 10. The fold function, takes two parameters, the accumulator and the next value. foldl1 treats the first item, as the start value of the accumulator. There also exists foldl which lets you specify your own accumulator, which could be of a different type:

```
fold1 :: (b -> a -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
```

For example:

```
containsMultiplesOf5 xs = foldl f False xs
where f acc x = acc || mod x 5 == 0
```

It would be easier to use a filter here though. There also exists, foldr and foldr1. The only difference is they start from the right and the order of the arguments to the fold function is different. The accumulator is passed second not first.

# 3.6 Partial Application

Remember our first example of fold, well we could have rewritten it like this:

```
m = foldl1 (+) [1,2,3,4]
```

Why? Well + is what is called an infix function. Which means we call it like 1 + 2 instead of + 3 + 4. But to make it a normal function, we just put parentheses around it. So this is valid:

```
(+) 1 2
```

However, obviously we wouldn't do that normally, but when using folds it is useful. We can do the opposite thing to functions that have two parameters. E.g. we could replace our second example of a fold with:

```
containsMultiplesOf5 xs = foldl f False xs
where f acc x = acc || x `mod` 5 == 0
```

By putting backticks around mod we change it from a prefix function (where the function name goes at the start) to an infix function. Let's write a function called fitler5:

```
filter5 :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
filter5 xs = filter equals5 xs
where equals5 x = x == 5
```

Well, we can rewrite that as:

```
filter5 :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
filter5 = filter equals5
where equals5 x = x == 5
```

What evil sorcery is this? Well, let's think about the definition of filter:

```
filter :: (a -> Bool) -> [a] -> [a]
```

Let's add in parentheses:

```
filter :: (a -> Bool) -> ([a] -> [a])
```

filter doesn't take in 2 parameters it takes 1. In fact, all Haskell functions take in 1 parameter. "What???" you ask. It is true. The filter function takes one parameter (which also happens to be a function), and returns another function. This function takes in one parameter (a list of values to filter) and returns another parameter (a list of filtered values). In other words

```
(filter equals5 [1,2,3,4]) == ((filter equals5) [1,2,3,4])
```

In other words filter equals5 is a partially applied function. We have applied its first argument, and now we have a new function which is waiting for a list of values. All functions in Haskell work like this, mod takes one argument, and returns another function that takes another value. So:

```
filter equals5 :: [Integer] -> [Integer]
```

And therefore, matches the type required of filter5.

We can also do this with infix functions. Let's say we want to add 5 to every element in a list, we could do:

```
add5List :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
add5List = map add
  where add x = x + 5
```

But we can do better!

```
add5List :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a] add5List = map (+5)
```

Here we have partially applied the second element of an infix function. Let's write a function that takes a list of lists of integers, add prepends 5 to every element:

```
prepend5 :: (Num a) => [[a]] -> [[a]]
prepend5 = map (5:)
```

We can also do this with functions like mod using backticks. To write a function that takes a list of integers and takes every item to modulo 4:

```
mod4 :: (Num a) => [a] -> [a]
mod4 = map (`mod` 4)
```

#### **Exercises**

- 47. Write a function sum'' that, of course, sums the input list using a fold.
- 48. Write a function length''' that uses a fold to give the length of a list.
- 49. Write a function product' that calculates the product of all the item in an input list.
- 50. Write a function sumSquares that calculates the sum of the squares on an input list, using a fold.
- 51. Write a function concat¹ that takes in a list of strings, and uses a fold to concatenate them.
- 52. Write a function maximum'' that uses a fold to calculate the maximum item from a list.
- 53. Write a function minimum'' that uses a fold to calculate the maximum item from a list.

# 3.7 Pairs and Tuples

A tuple is a finite ordered collection of elements, that can be of different data types. A tuple is delineated by parentheses. To play around with tuples, type the following into the interpreter:

```
(1,2)
(1,2,3)
(1, "Hello")
(1, '1', "1")
(1, True, False, "Hello")
```

A 2-tuple (tuple of 2 items) is known as a pair. Pairs are extremely common, you can use them to represent co-ordinates, for instance. As shown above tuples can have items of different data types, which might seem to go against the whole type safety essence of Haskell, however it works, because tuples of different lengths and that are made of different data types are seen as, are treated as different data types. So for instance (Integer, Integer) (a pair of two integers) is a different type from a (Integer, String), in the same way as a [Integer] is different from a [Char]. You can pattern match on pairs, for instance:

```
add :: (Num a) => (a, a) -> (a, a) -> (a, a)
add (x1,y1) (x2,y2) = (x1+x2,y1+y2)
```

If you have two lists, you can zip them. This creates a new list consisting of pairs. The first component comes from the first list and the second component comes from the second list. The new list is only as long as the shortest of the input lists:

```
zip :: [a] -> [b] -> [(a,b)]
```

#### **Exercises**

- 54. Write a function fst' that returns the first element in a pair.
- 55. Write a function snd' that returns the second element in a pair.
- 56. Write a function that takes two numbers x and y and returns a pair, where the first item is the sum of the two numbers, and the second is a string stating "Added x to y".
- 57. Write a function sumPairs that takes a list of pairs, and returns a new pair, where the first item is the sum of the first items of the list, and the second item is the sum of the second items of the list.
- 58. Write a function inverse that takes a pair (a,b) and returns the pair (b,a).
- 59. Write a function addUp that takes a list of pairs of integers, and returns a list of only integers, with the first component and second component of each pair added together.

- 60. Write a function superProduct that takes a list of pairs of integers, and returns the product of each integer from both components of every pair.
- 61. Write a function zipNat that zips a list with the numbers from 1 to however long the other list is.

#### 3.8 Infinite Lists

To create an infinite list, starting from 1 (Warning: Do not type in the following code into the interpreter):

The syntax follows the earlier syntax for arithmetic series e.g. [1..10], [1,3..10] and [10,8..0]. If you typed the above code into the interpreter, it wouldn't be pretty. You can however type this into the interpreter:

Because Haskell is a lazy language (yes, that's a technical term!), it only evaluates expressions, when it needs to, so an infinite list won't crash your computer, unless you try to print all of it. However, because I know somebody is going to disregard my earlier instruction, if you do print an entire infinite list, then type Ctrl-C before it is too late. Infinite lists mean that if you want to zip [1,2,3,4] with the even natural numbers, you can do zip [1,2,3,4] [2,4..] to get [(1,2),(2,4),(3,6),(4,8)].

# **Exercises: Polynomials**

A polynomial is a mathematical expressions such as:

$$3x^4 + 9x^3 + x^2 + 15x + 29$$

We will only look at polynomials in one variable, in the above case x. Polynomials consist of terms in the form  $ax^n$ , added together. So above you have 5 such terms,  $3x^4$  all the way to  $29x^0$ . In general a polynomial can be written in the form:

$$a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \ldots + a_0 x^0$$
 where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 

The values of n are called the exponents. So in  $3x^4$  the, 4 is the exponent. The values of a are the coefficients. So in  $3x^4$ , 3 is the coefficient.  $a_n$  refers to the nth coefficient, i.e. the coefficient for  $x^n$ , while  $a_2$  would refer to the coefficient of  $x^2$ . The constraint  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  means that n and by extension all exponents must be a positive integers, i.e. in the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \ldots\}$ . These would not be valid terms in polynomials:

Or:

$$9x^{-2}$$

The highest exponent is the degree of the polynomial. So this polynomial is of degree 2:

$$7x^2 + 9$$

Notice it is missing an x term; we say that the coefficient for x or  $a_1$  is 0. We are going to write a set of functions for manipulating polynomials. We will represent polynomials as a list of integers. For example, the above polynomial could be represented as:

The first element is the coefficient for the highest term. The only line of code you will be given is:

```
type Polynomial = [Int]
```

62. Write a function degree that returns the degree of the polynomial:

```
degree :: Polynomial -> Int
```

63. Write a function safeAdd that adds two polynomials of the same degree (to add polynomials, just add each of their corresponding coefficients):

```
safeAdd :: Polynomial -> Polynomial -> Polynomial
```

64. Write a function neg that negates every coefficient of a polynomial:

```
neg :: Polynomial -> Polynomial
```

65. Write a function add that add two polynomials that may not be of the same degree:

```
add :: Polynomial -> Polynomial -> Polynomial
```

66. Write a function sub that subtracts two polynomials. You can use functions you've already defined here.

```
sub :: Polynomial -> Polynomial -> Polynomial
```

67.  $\star$  Write a function evaluate that takes a polynomial, and a value of x and evaluates the polynomial. To evaluate a polynomial efficiently, you can use something called Horner's rule. For example, if you have a polynomial of degree two (i.e. a quadratic):

$$a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$$

This can be rewritten as:

$$x(x(a_2) + a_1) + a_0$$

Use a right fold here, starting with  $a_2$  as the initial value. Then at each iteration, multiply by x and add the next coefficient.

```
evaluate :: (Num a) => Polynomial -> a -> a
```

68. \* Write a function differentiate that takes a polynomial and returns the polynomial differentiated. You will have to use zip to get the exponents. Remember in differentiation:

$$ax^n \to anx^{n-1}$$

differentiate :: Polynomial -> Polynomial

# **References and Further Reading**

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