

UCLA Computer Science 131 (Fall 2012)
Midterm
100 minutes total, open book, open notes

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1. Suppose the following OCaml standard functions were not already predefined. Implement them in OCaml, or explain why you can't do so. Implement each function without using any other function, except for functions that you define yourself; for example, do not use the builtin function '&' to implement '&&'. Exception: your implementation of '@' can invoke '::'.

1a (3 minutes).
val not : bool -> bool (Boolean negation.)

1b (6 minutes).
val (&&) : bool -> bool -> bool
(Conditional 'and'.)

1c (6 minutes).
val (@) : 'a list -> 'a list -> 'a list
(List concatenation.)

2 (12 minutes). In Homework 2, acceptors are functions that are passed as arguments to matchers. Would it make sense to do it the other way around? That is, to have matchers be functions that are passed as arguments to acceptors? If so, explain how this would work well enough to solve Homework 2; if not, explain why it would not be a good idea. Use code or code snippets to justify your answer.

3a (12 minutes). On the SEASnet GNU/Linux servers, OCaml integer arithmetic uses 63-bit two's complement arithmetic, where integer overflow silently wraps around. For example, at the top level of the interpreter:

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# 4611686018427387903 + 1;;  
- : int = -4611686018427387904
```

Suppose you don't want this behavior. Instead, you want to have an extended integer type with three extra values representing positive infinity, negative infinity, and not-a-number. When the result of a computation falls out of the OCaml int range, you want to substitute an infinite value instead. You want to use not-a-number when the arguments are invalid, just as with IEEE floating point.

Define an OCaml type that will let you represent this extended integer type. Define the operations of addition and subtraction on this type. On overflow, return infinity. When subtracting infinity from infinity, or applying any operation to not-a-number, return not-a-number.

3b (12 minutes). Like (a), but solve the problem for Java. Recall that in Java, Java 'long' values use 64-bit two's complement arithmetic, so that $(9223372036854775807L + 1 == -1 - 9223372036854775807L)$.

3c (12 minutes). Compare the strengths and weaknesses of the two languages in solving the problem as stated.

1a. let not = function
| true → false
| false → true

1b. let (~~88~~) x b =
match a with
| false → false
| true → match b with
| false → false
X | true → true

1c. let in (@) a b =
match a with
| [] → b
| h::t → [a]::(@) t b

Q2. It would not make sense because that would mean you would try to accept the fragments first, then attempt to match the prefix. This would mean it would go all the way to the end of the grammar before attempting to match any symbol.

in some sense HW2 already does that, no? It starts by saying "I'm parsing the whole sentence" (i.e., the start symbol).

3a. type ('nothing', 'nothing', 'nan', 'regular') integer.
 | IN of 'nothing'
 | MIN of 'nothing'
 | NAN of 'nan'
 | REG of 'regular'

let add a b = match a with

| IN a → IN a X

| NAN a → NAN a

| MIN a → MIN a X

| REG a → match b with

| IN b → IN b

| MIN b → MIN b

| NAN b → NAN b

| REG b → match a + b with

| result when a < 0 && b < 0 && result > 0 →
 MIN result

| result when a > 0 && b > 0 && result < 0 →
 IN result

| result → REG result

let sub a b = add a (-b) X

3b. public int hashCode() {

```

2. public class Normal Long implements Extended Long {
    private long value;
    public Normal Long (long val) { value = val; }
    public long get value () {
        return value;
    }
}

```

```

    public void set value (long newVal) {
        value = newVal;
    }
}

```

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public class Infinity implements Extended Long {}
public class Negative Infinity implements Extended Long {}
public class Not A Number implements Extended Long {}

```

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8. public static Extended Long add (Extended Long a, Extended Long b) {
    if (! (a instanceof Normal Long))
        return a;
    if (! (b instanceof Normal Long))
        return b;
    Normal Long ca = (Normal Long) a;
    Normal Long cb = (Normal Long) b;
    long potentialResult = ca.get value () + cb.get value ();
    if (ca.get value () > 0 && cb.get value () > 0
        && potentialResult < 0)
        return new Infinity ();
    if (ca.get value () < 0 && cb.get value () < 0
        && potentialResult > 0)
        return new Negative Infinity ();
    if (
        return new Normal Long (potential value);
    }
}

```

3c. In O'Earl, this is much easier because of implicit typing. Java is much harder to use to declare new types as typed must be obvious as well.

4. Change expr to

expr = " " expr

/ " (" expr ") "
/ ALPHA
/ DIGIT

expr =

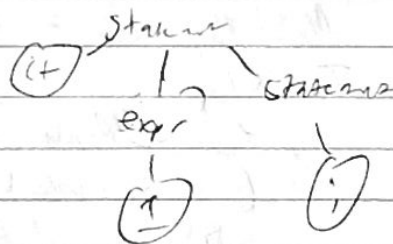
/ expr | " " expr

eg. return 1 - 2 - (-3)

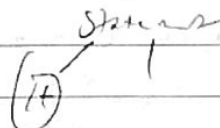
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eg. 123

could be



or



5. It isn't a subtype because `List < Thread >` is not a subtype of `List < Object >`. If this were a subtype, we would reckon

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6. It would make sense if more than one thread is running. \hookrightarrow external class could have access to this class and call `notify()` externally to unblock whatever thread is holding the object's methods.

For `notify()`, another thread could access its `notify()` method and unblock the other thread.

7a. $(a + a) + b \rightarrow (a + a) + a + a$

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7b. let rec compute-non-fixed-point $eg\ f\ x =$

if $eg\ (f\ x) = x$ then compute-non-fixed-point $eg\ f\ (f\ x)$
else x

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