

# FPV Tutorübung

Woche 8

## OCaml: Tail Recursion, Lazy Lists, Partial Application

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# T01: Tail Recursion 1

a)

```
let rec f a = match a with  
| [] -> a  
| x::xs -> (x + 1)::f xs
```

b)

```
let rec g a b =  
  if a = b then 0  
  else if a < b then g (a + 1) b  
  else g (a - 1) b
```

c)

```
let rec h a b c =  
  if b then h a (not b) (c * 2)  
  else if c > 1000 then a  
  else h (a + 2) (not b) c * 2
```

d)

```
let rec i a = function  
| [] -> a  
| x::xs -> i (i (x,x) [x]) xs
```

1. Decide which of the following functions are implemented tail recursively:

# T01: Tail Recursion 2

2. Write tail recursive versions of the following functions (without changing their types). In addition to the definition from the lecture, all functions must use constant stack space ( $\mathcal{O}(1)$  in the size of its input). In particular, all the helper functions used need to be tail-recursive and use constant stack space too! If you use a library function, check that the documentation (e.g. for [List](#)) marks it as tail-recursive, or when in doubt implement a tail-recursive version yourself!

- Tipp: Use accumulator variables and helper functions

a)

```
let rec fac n =  
  if n = 0 then 1  
  else n * fac (n - 1)
```

b)

```
let rec remove a = function  
  | [] -> []  
  | x::xs -> if x = a then remove a xs else x::remove a xs
```

c)

```
let rec partition p l = match l with  
  | [] -> [], []  
  | x::xs ->  
    let a,b = partition p xs in  
    if p x then x::a else a,x::b
```

# T02: Lazy List Idea

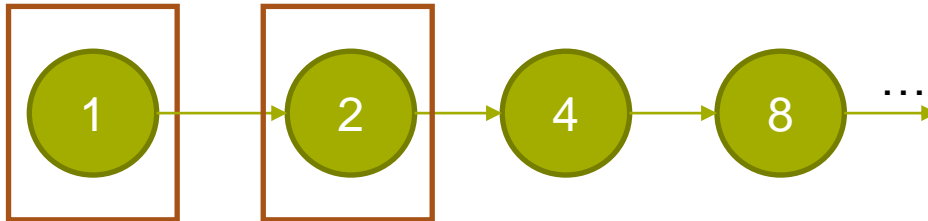
```
2 # Classical: Calculate all values at once and return them as a list
3 ✓ def powers_of_two(n):
4     return [2 ** i for i in range(n)]
5
6
7 my_powers = powers_of_two(10)
8
9 print(my_powers)
10 # [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512]
11
```

```
13 # Generator: Calculate the values on demand, one by one
14 def powers_of_two_generator(i):
15     while True:
16         yield 2 ** i
17         i += 1
18
19
20 generator = powers_of_two_generator(0)
21
22
23 for i in range(10):
24     print(next(generator))
25
26 # 1
27 # 2
28 # 4
29 # 8
30 # 16
31 # 32
32 # 64
33 # 128
34 # 256
35 # 512
36 # ... and so on
```

# T02: Lazy List

Infinite data structures (e.g. lists) can be realized using the concept of **lazy evaluation**. Instead of constructing the entire data structure immediately, we only construct a small part and keep us a means to construct more on demand.

1, fun () -> n      n



```
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```

```
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let rec powers_of_2 i =
  Cons (pow 2 i, fun () -> powers_of_2 (i + 1))
```

# T02: Lazy List

1. **✗ Inat** 0 von 1 Tests bestanden

Implement the function `lnat : int -> int llist` that constructs the list of all natural numbers starting at the given argument.

2. **✗ Ifib** 0 von 1 Tests bestanden

Implement the function `lfib : unit -> int llist` that constructs a list containing the Fibonacci sequence.

3. **✗ Itake** 0 von 1 Tests bestanden

Implement the function `ltake : int -> 'a llist -> 'a list` that returns the first  $n$  elements of the list.

4. **✗ Ifilter** 0 von 1 Tests bestanden

Implement the function `lfilter : ('a -> bool) -> 'a llist -> 'a llist` to filter those elements from the list that do not satisfy the given predicate.

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```
1  type llist<T> = [T, () => llist<T>];
2
3  ∨ function fibonacci_generator(): llist<number> {
4  ∨    function fib_step(a: number, b: number): llist<number> {
5      return [a, () => fib_step(b, a + b)];
6    }
7
8    return fib_step(0, 1);
9  }
10
11  let fibonacci_numbers = fibonacci_generator();
12
13  ∨ for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
14    let [value, next_generator] = fibonacci_numbers;
15
16    console.log(value);
17
18    fibonacci_numbers = next_generator();
19  }
20
21  ∨ // [0 1]
22    // 0 [1 1]
23    // 0 1 [1 2]
24    // 0 1 1 [2 3]
25    // 0 1 1 2 [... ]
26
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