

ML

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# Next lectures

- Thursday May 23: [exam simulation](#)
- Tuesday May 28: last lecture
  - We will have a lab class: [bring your laptop](#)
  - We will see [results and a solution](#) of the ML mini-challenge

# Agenda



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## Today

- Recap
- User-defined types
- Signatures and structures

LET'S RECAP...

Recap

# Curried functions

- Functions in ML have only one argument
- Functions with two arguments can be implemented as
  - A function with a tuple as argument
  - Curried form
    - Unary function takes argument  $x$
    - The result is a function  $f(x)$  that takes argument  $y$
- **Curried function**: divides its arguments such that they can be partially supplied producing intermediate functions that accept the remaining arguments (from Haskell Curry)

# Partial instantiation

- Curried functions are useful because they allow us to create **partially instantiated or specialized functions** where some (but not all) arguments are supplied.

```
> fun exponent2 x 0 = 1.0  
    | exponent2 x y = x * exponent2 x (y-1);  
val exponent2 = fn: real -> int -> real
```

```
> val g = exponent2 3.0;  
val g = fn: int -> real
```

```
> g 4;  
val it = 81.0: real
```

```
> g (4);  
val it = 81.0: real
```

We are partially instantiating `exponent2` (with name `g`) – `g` is the power function with base 3.0

# Another example

```
> val sorted3 = fn x => fn y => fn z =>
    z>=y andalso y>=x
val t1 = (((sorted3 7)9)11
```

- Calling `sorted3 7` returns a function `(fn y => fn z => z>=y andalso y>=x)`
- Calling it on 9 returns a function `fn z => z>=y andalso y>=x`
- Calling it on 11 returns `true`

# Function application and curried function

- Function application is left-associative

`e1 e2 e3 e4` means `((e1 e2) e3) e4`

- We can call our function simply using spaces rather than tuples:

```
val t1 = sorted3 7 9 11
```

- We can simply write our function as

`fun f p1 p2 p3 ... = e` means

```
Val f = fn p1 => fn p2 => fn p3 ... => e
```



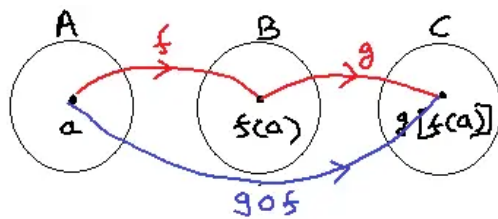
# map function

- The map function accepts two parameters: a function and a list of objects.
- It applies the given function to each object in the list.
- Example:

```
> map (fn x => x + 2) [1,2,3];  
val it = [3, 4, 5]: int list
```

# Folding lists: `foldr` and `foldl`

- Similar to the `map` function, but instead of producing a list of values they **only produce a single output value**.
  - The `foldr` function folds a list of values into a single value starting from the rightmost element
    - > `foldr f c [x1, ..., xn]` means  $f(x1, f(x2, \dots f(xn, c) \dots))$   
it starts at the rightmost  $xn$  with the initial value  $c$
    - > `foldr (fn (a,b) => a+b) 2 [1,2,3]`  
`val it = 8: int`
  - The `foldl` function folds a list of values into a single value starting from the leftmost element
    - > `foldl f c [x1, ..., xn]` means  $f(xn, f(xn - 1, \dots f(x1, c) \dots))$   
it starts at the leftmost  $x1$  with the initial value  $c$
    - > `foldl (fn (a,b) => a+b) 2 [1,2,3]`  
`val it = 8: int`



# Function composition

# Function composition

- Composition of  $F$  and  $G$  is the function  $H$  such that  $H(x) = G(F(x))$
- Example:
  - $F(x) = x + 3$  and  $G(y) = y^2 + 2y$ ,
  - $G(F(x)) = x^2 + 6x + 9 + 2x + 6 = x^2 + 8x + 15$

# In ML

```
> fun comp (F,G,x) = G(F(x));  
val comp = fn: ('a -> 'b) * ('b -> 'c) * 'a ->  
'c  
  
> comp (fn x=> x+3, fn y=>y*y+2*y, 10);  
val it = 195: int
```

# The operator `o`

```
> fun F x = x+3;  
val F = fn: int -> int
```

```
> fun G y = y*y + 2*y;  
val G = fn: int -> int
```

```
> val H = G o F;  
val H = fn: int -> int
```

```
> H 10;  
val it = 195: int
```



# Exercise L8.9

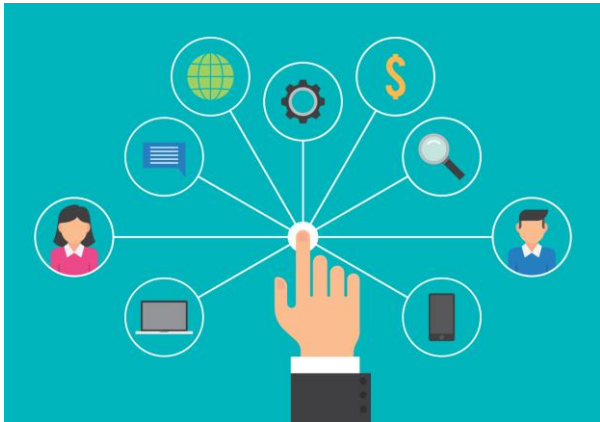
- In the following exercise, use `map`, `foldr` and `foldl`
  - Define the function `implode`, i.e., `implode["b", "c"] = "bc"`



# Solution exercise L8.9

```
> val implode = (foldr (op ^) "") o (map str);  
val implode = fn: char list -> string  
> implode [#"a",#"b"];  
val it = "ab": string
```





# User-defined types

# ML types

- So far
  - `int`, `real`, `string`, `char`, `bool`, `unit`, `exn`, `instream`, `outstream`
  - `T1 * T2 * ... * Tn`
  - `T1 -> T2`
  - `T1 list`
  - `T1 option`
- We can also
  - Rename types
  - Define new types

Type

(Parameteriz  
ed) type  
renaming

# Abbreviations

- Keyword `type`

```
> type signal = int list;  
type signal = int list
```

```
> val v = [1,2]: signal;  
val v = [1, 2]: signal
```

- This is just an abbreviation. If we write

```
> val w = [1,2];  
val w = [1, 2]: int list
```

we can then test

```
> v=w;  
val it = true: bool
```

# Parametrized type definitions

- In ML we can also parameterize a type definition
- Given two types 'a and 'b we declare mapping to be a type of lists of pairs of these two types

```
> type ('c,'d) mapping = ('c * 'd) list;
```

```
type ('a, 'b) mapping = ('a * 'b) list
```

Note that the type variable names are unimportant

- Example of use of this type

```
> val words = [("in",6),("a",1)] : (string,int) mapping;
```

```
val words = [("in", 6), ("a", 1)]: (string, int) mapping
```



# Exercise L9.1

- Give a type definition for a set of sets, where the type of elements is unspecified, and sets are represented by lists



# Solution exercise L9.1

```
> type 'a setOfSets = 'a list list;  
type 'a setOfSets = 'a list list
```



# Exercise L9.2

- Give a type definition for a list of triples, the first two components of which have the same type, and the third is some (possibly) different type





# Solution exercise L9.2

```
> type ('a,'b) tripleList = ('a * 'a * 'b) list;  
type ('a, 'b) tripleList = ('a * 'a * 'b) list
```



# Exercise L9.3

- Give an example of a value of type `(real,real)` mapping

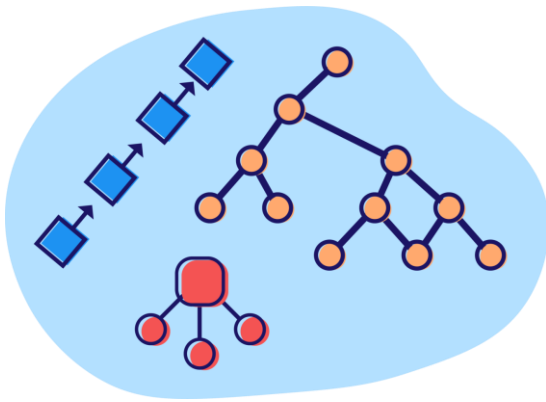
```
> type ('c,'d) mapping = ('c * 'd) list;
```

```
type ('a, 'b) mapping = ('a * 'b) list
```



# Solution exercise L9.3

```
> val x = [(1.0,1.0),(1.0,1.1),(1.1,1.0)] : (real, real)
mapping;
val x = [(1.0, 1.0), (1.0, 1.1), (1.1, 1.0)]: (real, real)
mapping
```



# Datatypes

# Datatypes

- Unlike type declarations, `datatype` creates new types
- Two parts
  - `Type constructor`, the name of the datatype
  - `Data constructors`, the possible values
- Example

```
> datatype fruit = Apple | Pear | Grape;
```

```
datatype fruit = Apple | Grape | Pear
```

# Use of datatypes

```
> fun isApple (x) = (x = Apple);  
val isApple = fn: fruit -> bool  
> isApple (Pear);  
val it = false: bool  
> isApple(Apple);  
val it = true: bool  
> isApple (Cherry);  
poly: : error: Value or constructor (Cherry) has not been  
declared  
Found near isApple (Cherry)
```

# More general form of datatype definitions

- Type variables can be used to parameterize the datatype
- The data constructors can take arguments (**constructor expressions**)

```
datatype (<parameters>) <identifier> =  
    <first constructor expression> |  
    ...  
    <last constructor expression>
```

# Constructor expressions and type variables

- **Constructor expressions** are data constructors that can be parameterized, e.g.,

`Cherry of int`

- Any expression of the form `Cherry(i)` is allowed. e.g., `Cherry(23)`
- We can also use type variables instead of `int`, e.g., `Cherry of 'a`
- Data constructors are used to build expressions that are values for the types
- We can use these types for having types as **union** types, e.g.,
  - First component, type `'a`
  - Second component, if it exists, of type `'b`



# Unions

- We can define a type `element` that can be a pair (`'a*'b`) or a single (`'a`)

```
> datatype ('a,'b) element =
```

```
    P of 'a * 'b |
```

```
    S of 'a;
```

```
datatype ('a, 'b) element = P of 'a * 'b | S of 'a
```

```
> P ("a",1);
```

```
val it = P ("a", 1): (string, int) element
```

```
> P(1.0,2.0);
```

```
val it = P (1.0, 2.0): (real, real) element
```

```
> S(["a","b"]);
```

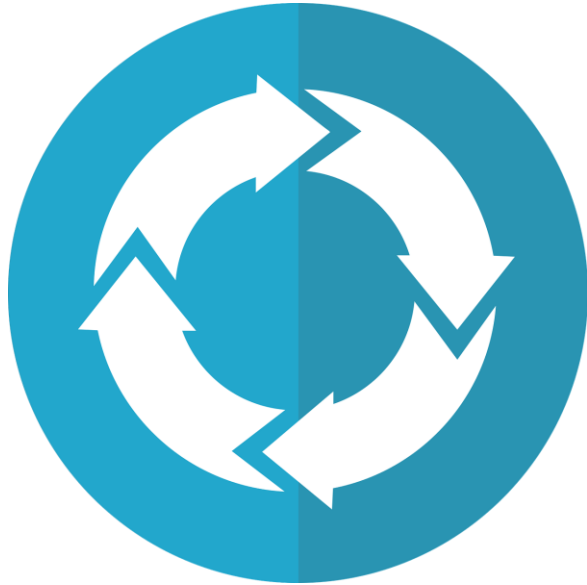
```
val it = S ["a", "b"]: (string list, 'a) element
```

# Example

- Given a list of (string,int) element's, sum the integers in the second components, when these exist

```
> fun sumElList (nil) = 0
| sumElList (S(x)::L) = sumElList (L)
| sumElList (P(x,y)::L) = y + sumElList (L);
val sumElList = fn: ('a, int) element list ->
int
```

```
> sumElList [ P("in",6), S("function"),
P("as",2)];
val it = 8: int
```

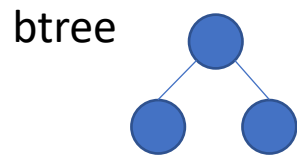


# Recursively defined datatypes

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- Binary tree:
  - Empty, or
  - Two children, each of which is, in turn, a binary tree

```
> datatype 'label btree =  
  Empty |  
  Node of 'label * 'label btree * 'label btree;  
datatype 'a btree = Empty | Node of 'a * 'a btree * 'a btree
```

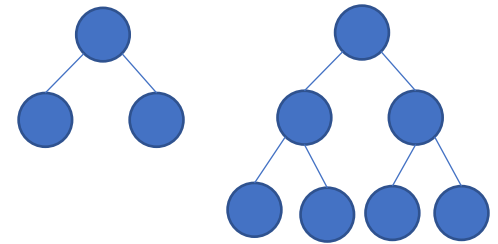


# Example of data

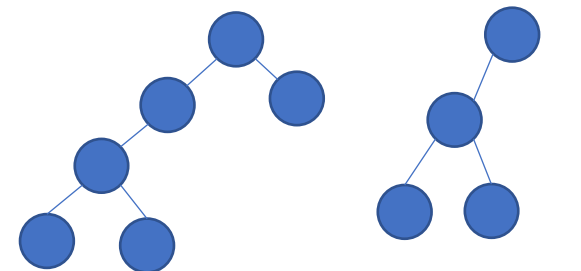
```
> Node ("ML",  
      Node ("as",  
            Node ("a", Empty, Empty),  
            Node ("in", Empty, Empty)  
      ),  
      Node ("types", Empty, Empty)  
);  
  
val it =  
  Node  
    ("ML", Node ("as", Node ("a", Empty, Empty), Node  
("in", Empty, Empty)),  
    Node ("types", Empty, Empty)): string btree
```

# Mutually recursive datatypes

- Keyword **and** as with functions
- Example: Even binary trees
  - Even tree: each path from the root to a node with one or two empty subtrees has an even number of nodes
  - Odd tree is defined similarly
- Simple way to define it:
  - Basis: the empty tree is an even tree
  - Induction: a node with a label and two subtrees that are odd trees is the root of an even tree



Even tree      Odd tree



Even tree

Odd tree

# Example

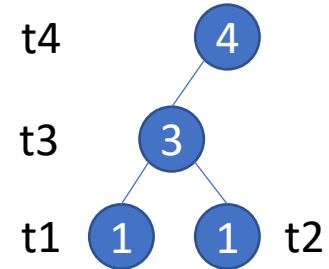
```
> datatype
    'label evenTree = Empty
                      | Enode of 'label * 'label oddTree * 'label oddTree
and
    'label oddTree =
        Onode of 'label * 'label evenTree * 'label evenTree;
datatype 'a evenTree = Empty | Enode of 'a * 'a oddTree * 'a oddTree
datatype 'a oddTree = Onode of 'a * 'a evenTree * 'a evenTree
```

# Example

```

> val t1 = Onode (1,Empty,Empty);
val t1 = Onode (1, Empty, Empty): int oddTree
> val t2 = Onode (1,Empty,Empty);
val t2 = Onode (1, Empty, Empty): int oddTree
> val t3 = Enode (3,t1,t2);
val t3 = Enode (3, Onode (1, Empty, Empty), Onode (1, Empty,
    Empty)): int evenTree
> val t4 = Onode (4,t3,Empty);
val t4 =
    Onode
      (4, Enode (3, Onode (1, Empty, Empty), Onode (1, Empty,
Empty)), Empty): int oddTree

```







# Signatures and structures

# Signatures and structures

- **Structure**: sequence of declarations comprising the components of the structure
  - The components of a structure are accessed using **long identifiers**, or **paths**
- **Signature**: similar to interface or class types
- Relation between signature and structure in ML is many-to-many

# Structure

```
structure <identifier> =  
    struct <elements of the structure> end
```

- Among the structure elements we can find:
  - function definitions
  - exceptions
  - constants
  - types
  - ...

# Example

```
structure IntLT = struct
  type t = int
  val lt = (op <)
  val eq = (op =)
end;
```

- Output

```
structure IntLT:
  sig val eq: ''a * ''a -> bool
       val lt: int * int -> bool
       eqtype t
  end
```

# Another definition

- We could also write

```
structure IntDiv = struct
  type t = int
  fun lt (m, n) = (n mod m = 0)
  val eq = (op =)
end;
```

- With the same types (but different interpretations)

```
structure IntDiv:
  sig val eq: 'a * 'a -> bool
       val lt: int * int -> bool
       eqtype t
end;
```

# Long identifiers

- Referring to functions

```
IntLT.lt;
```

```
val it = fn: int * int -> bool
```

```
IntDiv.lt;
```

```
val it = fn: int * int -> bool
```

- Using functions

```
IntLT.lt (3,4);
```

```
val it = true: bool
```

```
IntDiv.lt(3,4);
```

```
val it = false: bool
```

# Signatures

- Specify the type of the structure
- Example

```
signature ORDERED = sig
  type t
  val lt : t * t -> bool
  val eq : t * t -> bool
end;
```

# Queues

```
signature QUEUE =  
sig  
  type 'a queue  
  exception QueueError  
  val empty : 'a queue  
  val isEmpty : 'a queue -> bool  
  val singleton : 'a -> 'a queue  
  val insert : 'a * 'a queue -> 'a queue  
  val remove : 'a queue -> 'a * 'a queue  
end;
```



# Another example

```
signature STACK =  
  sig  
    val empty: 'a list  
    val pop: 'a list -> 'a option  
    val push: 'a * 'a list -> 'a list  
    eqtype 'a stack  
  end;
```

- Recall:

```
datatype 'a option = NONE | SOME of 'a
```

# Structure

```
structure Stack = struct
  type 'a stack = 'a list
  val empty = []
  val push = op::
  fun pop [] =NONE
    | pop (tos::rest) =SOME tos
end:> STACK;
```

The declaration `>` says that

- Stack is an implementation of the STACK signature
- Components not in the signature are not visible outside

# Operation on Stacks

- Push an item

```
> Stack.push (1, Stack.empty);
```

```
val it = [1]: int list
```

- Or,

```
> structure S = Stack;
```

```
> S.push (1, S.empty);
```



# Exercise L9.4

- Define a signature SET with
  - Parameterized type
  - Value for empty set
  - Operator to test for membership
  - Operator to add an element to a set
  - Operator to remove an element from a set



# Solution exercise L9.4

```
signature SET =  
sig  
    type 'a set  
  
    val emptyset: 'a set  
    val isin: 'a -> 'a set -> bool  
    val addin: 'a -> 'a set -> 'a set  
    val removefrom: 'a -> 'a set -> 'a set  
end;
```



# Exercise L9.5

- With the signature

```
signature SET =
```

```
sig
```

```
    type 'a set
```

```
end;
```

Add a definition for the structure



# Solution exercise L9.5

```
structure Set =  
struct  
    type 'a set = 'a list;  
end :> SET;
```



# Exercise L9.6

- With the signature

```
signature SET =
```

```
sig
```

```
    type 'a set
```

```
    val emptyset: 'a set
```

```
end;
```

Add a definition for the structure and test it





# Solution exercise L9.6

```
structure Set =  
struct  
    type 'a set = 'a list;  
  
    val emptyset = [];  
end :> SET;
```

- Test

```
val a = Set.emptyset:
```



# Exercise L9.7

- With the signature

```
signature SET =
```

```
sig
```

```
    type 'a set
```

```
    val emptyset: 'a set
```

```
    val isin: 'a -> 'a set -> bool
```

```
end;
```

Add a definition for the structure and test it



# Solution exercise L9.7

```
structure Set =  
struct  
    type 'a set = 'a list;  
  
    val emptyset = [];  
    fun isin _ [] = false  
      | isin x (y::ys) = (x=y) orelse isin x ys;  
end :> SET;
```

- Test

```
val a = Set.emptyset;  
val b = Set.isin 1 a;
```



# Exercise L9.8

- With the signature

```
signature SET =
```

```
sig
```

```
  type 'a set
```

```
  val emptyset: 'a set
```

```
  val isin: 'a -> 'a set -> bool
```

```
  val addin: 'a -> 'a set -> 'a set
```

```
end;
```

Add a definition for the structure and test it



# Solution exercise L9.8

```
structure Set =  
struct  
    type 'a set = 'a list;  
  
    val emptyset = [];  
    fun isin _ [] = false  
      | isin x (y::ys) = (x=y) orelse isin x ys;  
    fun addin x L = if (isin x L) then L else x::L;  
end :> SET;
```

- Test

```
val a = Set.emptyset;  
val b = Set.isin 1 a;  
val c = Set.addin 1 a;  
val d = Set.isin 1 c;
```



# Exercise L9.9

- With the signature

signature SET =

sig

type 'a set

val emptyset: 'a set

val isin: 'a -> 'a set -> bool

val addin: 'a -> 'a set -> 'a set

val removefrom: 'a -> 'a set -> 'a set

end;

Add a definition for the structure and test it



# Solution exercise L9.9

```
structure Set =
struct
    type 'a set = 'a list;

    val emptyset = [];
    fun isin _ [] = false
      | isin x (y::ys) = (x=y) orelse isin x ys;
    fun addin x L = if (isin x L) then L else x::L;
    fun removefrom _ [] = []
      | removefrom x (y::ys) = if (x=y) then ys
                                else y::(removefrom(x,ys));
end :> SET;
```

- Test

```
val a = Set.emptyset;
val b = Set.isin 1 a;
val c = Set.addin 1 a;
val d = Set.isin 1 c;
val e = Set.removefrom 1 c;
val f = Set.isin 1 e;
```



# Exercise L9.10

- Given the following type for trees:

```
datatype 'a T = Lf | Br of 'a * 'a T * 'a T
```

Define a signature with the following operations

- Count the number of nodes in a tree
- Find the depth of a tree
- Find the mirror image of a tree





# Solution exercise L9.10

```
signature TREE =  
  sig  
    datatype 'a T = Lf | Br of 'a * 'a T * 'a T  
    val count : 'a T -> int  
    val depth : 'a T -> int  
    val mirror : 'a T -> 'a T  
  end;
```



# Exercise L9.11

- Define a structure for this signature

```
signature TREE =
```

```
  sig
```

```
    datatype 'a T = Lf | Br of 'a * 'a T * 'a T
```

```
    val count : 'a T -> int
```

```
    val depth : 'a T -> int
```

```
    val mirror : 'a T -> 'a T
```

```
end;
```



# Solution exercise L9.11

```
structure Tree =  
struct  
  datatype 'a T = Lf | Br of 'a * 'a T * 'a T  
  fun count Lf = 0  
    | count (Br(a,b,c)) = 1+count(b)+count(c);  
  fun depth Lf = 0  
    | depth (Br(a,b,c)) = if depth1(b)>depth(c) then 1+depth(b)  
                          else 1 + depth(c);  
  fun mirror Lf = Lf  
    | mirror (Br(v,t1,t2)) = Br(v,mirror(t2),mirror(t1));  
end :> TREE;
```

# Summary

- Recap
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SUMMARY



# Next time

- Scala

