

## Assignment 5

### Q1.1b:

We claim that the procedure `append$` is CPS-equivalent to the procedure `append`. That is, for every lists `lst1` `lst2` and continuation '`c`',  $(\text{append\$ } \text{lst1 } \text{lst2 } c) = (c (\text{append } \text{lst1 } \text{lst2}))$ .

*Proof.* We will proof by induction on the length of `lst1`.

Base case: for `lst1 = '()` we get:

$\text{a-e}[(\text{append\$ } '() \text{ lst2 } c)] \rightarrow^* \text{a-e}[(c \text{ lst2})] = \text{a-e}[(c (\text{append } '() \text{ lst2}))]$

Inductive assumption: Now we assume that for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  the claim holds for every  $i \leq k$ .

Inductive step: let `lst1` be a list with length  $k+1$ , so we get:

$\text{a-e}[(\text{append\$ } \text{lst1 } \text{lst2 } c)] \rightarrow^*$

$\text{a-e}[(\text{append\$ } (\text{cdr } \text{lst1}) \text{ lst2 } (\text{lambda } (res) (c (\text{cons } (\text{car } \text{lst1}) res)))))] \rightarrow^*$

Since `(cdr lst1)` is a list of length  $k$ , from the inductive assumption we get:

$\text{a-e}[(\text{lambda } (res) (c (\text{cons } (\text{car } \text{lst1}) res))) (\text{append } (\text{cdr } \text{lst1}) \text{ lst2}))] \rightarrow^*$

$\text{a-e}[(c (\text{cons } (\text{car } \text{lst1}) (\text{append } (\text{cdr } \text{lst1}) \text{ lst2})))] =$

$\text{a-e}[(c (\text{append } \text{lst1 } \text{lst2}))]$

Which is exactly what we wanted to proof.

### Q2.d:

In order to use the `reduce1-lzl` procedure we must be sure first that `lzl` is finite, otherwise the calculation will not stop. If the `lzl` is finite, we will use the procedure only when we want the final result when reducing the whole list. That's because we can't control when to stop the reduce, only when we finish calculating the whole list, and we get only the final result.

When using `reduce2-lzl` we no longer need to check it is finite since we choose how many elements to reduce. So in contrast to the `reduce1-lzl` case, we don't need to know its length. We still use this procedure only when want to know the final result of the calculation.

Similar to `reduce2-lzl`, when using the `reduce3-lzl` don't need to know the `lzl` length in advance. Since the procedure returns a `lzl` with each step of the reduce, we can use it to delay our computation and to take the results step by step. That is, we can take for instance the reduced first  $n$  elements in the `lzl`, and then later take the next  $m$  elements without starting the calculation all over.

### Q2.g:

The main advantage in the procedure is since the calculation of the approximation is delayed, we can get a better approximation in each step without starting the calculation all over again and also without using extra memory for each step. That is, if after calculating some approximation we see it is not close enough, we can easily take more elements from our list without using more memory and there is no need to start the approximation from

the beginning again. In these sense, the  $|z|$  approximation is better then the recursive version we saw at class.

On the other hand, in the recursive implementation we saw at class we can choose in advance what precession we want and get the final result in just one call of the procedure. This is in contrast to the  $|z|$  version where we can get a better approximation in each step but can't know how many steps are needed to get the wanted approximation. It means that we need to keep calling each time the next delayed computation.

### **Q3.1:**

a) unify[  $t(s(s), G, s, p, t(k), s),$   
 $t(s(G), G, s, p, t(k), U)$ ]

- Initialization:  
 $Sub = \{\}$   
 $Eq = [t(s(s), G, s, p, t(k), s) = t(s(G), G, s, p, t(k), U)]$
- $Eq1 = t(s(s), G, s, p, t(k), s) = t(s(G), G, s, p, t(k), U)$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are number of args: split into equations.
- $Eq = [s(s)=s(G), G=G, s=s, p=p, t(k) = t(k), s=U]$
- $Eq$  is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [s=U]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where one side is variable: update  $Sub$ .
- $Sub = Sub \circ \{U=s\}$
- $Eq$  is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [t(k) = t(k)]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1' \circ Sub = [t(k) = t(k)]$
- Case where both sides are number of args: split into equations.
- $Eq = [s(s)=s(G), G=G, s=s, p=p, k=k]$
- $Eq$  is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [k = k]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are atomic with same constant symbol: continue.
- $Eq$  is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [p = p]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are atomic with same constant symbol: continue.
- $Eq$  is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [s = s]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are atomic with same constant symbol: continue.
- $Eq$  is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [G = G]$

- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are atomic with same variable: continue.
- Eq is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [s(s) = s(G)]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are number of args: split into equations.
- $Eq = [s=G]$
- Eq is not empty, continue to another iteration:
- $Eq1 = [s = G]$
- $Eq1' = [s = G] \circ Sub$
- Case where one side is variable: update Sub.
- $Sub = Sub \circ \{s=G\}$
- Eq is empty

By these steps we can see that the MGU is  $\{G=s, U=s\}$

b) unify[  $p(v \mid [V \mid W])$ ,  
 $p([v \mid V] \mid W)$ ]

- Initialization:  
 $Sub = \{\}$   
 $Eq = [p([v \mid [V \mid W]]) = p([v \mid V] \mid W)]$
- $Eq1 = [p([v \mid [V \mid W]]) = p([v \mid V] \mid W)]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$
- Case where both sides are number of args: split into equations.
- $Eq = [v = [v \mid V], [V \mid W] = [W]]$
- $Eq1' = Eq1 \circ Sub$

Fail because v can't be defined with a list  $[v \mid V]$ .

