Homework 1: Recollecting Basic Haskell

CIS 352: Programming Languages

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General notes

- LYH = Miran Lipovačá's *Learn You a Haskell for Great Good*[1]

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[1] See `http://learnyouahaskell.com`.

Grading Criteria

- The homework is out of 100 points.
- Each problem is worth 14 points:
  - 10 pts correctness
  - 4 your original tests
- You get 2 points for putting your name in the source code file.

Background and Instructions

- This assignment is based on Chapter 1 of LYH.
- *Use list comprehensions for these problems,* ***NOT RECURSIONS****.*
- Use the file `hw01.hs` as a starting point for this assignment.
- For each problem, run the QuickCheck tests for that problem. Also, add a few specific tests (non-QuickCheck) of your own.[2]
- **What to turn in:** (i) your source code,[3] (ii) a transcript of your test runs, and *(iii) the cover sheet*.
- **How to turn it in:** See: `http://www.cis.syr.edu/courses/cis352/reqs.html`

[2] E.g., test that:
`(isVowel 'x')` returns `False`
and
`(isVowel 'u')` returns `True`.

[3] with your name in the comments SVP

Notes on quickCheck and testRun

QuickCheck is a Haskell debugging library. For QuickCheck, a property is a Haskell function with a type of the form $t_1 \to t_2 \to \cdots \to t_n \to \texttt{Bool}$. If `convert_prop` is a property, then running

```
quickCheck convert_prop
```

applies `convert_prop` to 100 random inputs. If the function returns True on all the inputs, quickCheck reports:

```
+++ OK, passed 100 tests.
```

If there was a failure (a `False`), `quickCheck` reports something like:

```
*** Failed!  Falsifiable (after 21 tests and 4 shrinks):  59
```

This means 59 failed the test and convert (the function being tested by convert prop) has a problem you need to fix.[4]

[4] The (out-of-date and more-than-you-want-to-know) manual for QuickCheck version 1 can be found at `http://www.cse.chalmers.se/~rjmh/QuickCheck/manual.html`.

The function testRun (defined in `hw01.hs`) runs all of the individual QuickCheck tests in `hw01.hs`. So when you have everything working, then evaluating testRun should result in something like:

```
*Main> testRun
convert_prop                 : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
vowel_prop                   : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
disemvowel_prop              : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
smash_prop                   : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
shift_prop_1                 : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
shift_prop_2                 : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
capitalized_prop             : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
title_prop                   : +++ OK, passed 100 tests.
```

If the above isn't the result, you have more work to do.

Your Problems

❖ ***Problem 1 (Distance points)*** ❖
Recall that the Euclidian distance between two points (x_1, y_1) and (y_1, y_2) in the plane is: $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$. Suppose we have a type synonym

```
type Point = (Double,Double)
```

Implement a Haskell function

```
distance :: Point -> Point -> Double
```

such that `(distance pt1 pt2)` returns the Euclidian distance between the two points.[5]

Use QuickCheck with the property `dist_prop` to test this function.

[5] The `hw01.hs` file has an example function over `Points`.

❖ ***Problem 2 (Testing for vowels points)*** ❖
Implement a Haskell function

```
isVowel :: Char -> Bool
```

that tests whether a character is a lower-case vowel, i.e., one of: `'a'`, `'e'`, `'i'`, `'o'`, and `'u'`.[6]

Use QuickCheck with `vowel_prop` to test this function.

[6] *Hint:* Use `elem`.

❖ ***Problem 3 (Disemvoweling points)*** ❖
Implement a Haskell function

```
disemvowel :: String -> String
```

which, given a `String` value, returns that string with all the lowercase vowels removed. For example,

```
disemvowel "mississippi mud pie"
```

should return `"mssssppmdp"`.

Use QuickCheck with `disemv_prop` to test this function.

❖ ***Problem 4 (Smash points)*** ❖
Implement a Haskell function

```
smash :: String -> String
```

that takes a string `s` and returns the result of removing all non-letter characters from `s` and translating each uppercase letter to the corresponding lowercase letter. For example `(smash "Fee, Fie, Foe, & Fum!!")` would return `"feefiefoefum"`. Defining a helper function is perfectly OK.[7] Note that in classical cryptography, a message is always `smash`ed (to remove obvious clues) before being encrypted.

Use QuickCheck with `smash_prop` to test this function.

[7] **N.B.** `isLetter` sadly doesn't do what you want since it is based on Unicode. However, `isLower` and `isUpper` behave as you'd expect.

❖ ***Problem 5 (Circular shift cyphers points)*** ❖
A *circular shift cypher* (with shift `i`) takes a plain text message `m` and

(i) `smash`es `m` and then

(ii) replaces each letter with the letter `i` places down in the alphabet.[8]

[8] When we run off the end of the alphabet, we wrap around from the front.

E.g., a circular shift of `"Look, a zebra!!"` by 1 results in `"mpplbafcsb"`. Also a shift of `"mpplbafcsb"` by -1 results in "lookazebra".

Implement a Haskell function

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

such that `(shift n s)` does a circular shift of `n`-places on the result of `smash`ing `s`. Use list comprehension and `toNum` and `toChar` defined in `hw01.hs`.

Use QuickCheck with `shift_prop` to test this function.

❖ ***Problem 6 (Capitalization points)*** ❖
Implement a Haskell function

```
capitalized :: String -> String
```

that takes a nonempty string and properly capitalizes it, i.e., the first character is upper case and the remaining characters are lower case. E.g., `(capitalized "syRaCusE")` should return `"Syracuse"`.

Use QuickCheck with `cap_prop` to test this function.

❖ ***Problem 7 (Title Capitalization points)*** ❖
Implement a Haskell function

Hint: Think about using a helper function.

```
title :: [String] -> [String]
```

that given a list of words, capitalizes them as a title. For this problem, that means

(i) each word over four characters long is capitalized, and

(ii) each word four or fewer characters in length is all lower case—***except*** if it is the first word in the input list, in which case it is capitalized.

E.g., `(title ["the", "castle", "of", "wulfenbach"])` should return `["The", "Castle", "of", "Wulfenbach"]`.

Use QuickCheck with `title_prop` to test this function.

Useful functions

```
                        (&&), (||)  ::  Bool -> Bool -> Bool
                        (==), (/=)  ::  (Eq a) => a -> a -> Bool
                              (**)  ::  (Floating a) => a -> a -> a
                               (:)  ::  a -> [a] -> [a]

                              (++)  ::  [a] -> [a] -> [a]
                               abs  ::  (Num a) => a -> a
                               chr  ::  Int -> Char
                         div, mod   ::  (Integral a) => a -> a -> a
                            divMod  ::  (Integral a) => a -> a -> (a,a)
                    elem, notElem   ::  Eq a => a -> [a] -> Bool
                       head, last   ::  [a] -> a
                       init, tail   ::  [a] -> [a]
             isLetter,isLower,isUpper  ::  Char -> Boo
                           length   ::  [a] -> Int
                              not   ::  Bool -> Bool
                              ord   ::  Char -> Int
                  maximum, minimum  ::  (Ord a) => [a] -> a
                      product, sum  ::  (Num a) => [a] -> a
                               sqrt  ::  (Floating a) => a -> a
                  toLower, toUpper  ::  Char -> Char
```

To look up functions that are not explained in LYHGG, use either:

- http://www.haskell.org/hoogle
- http://hayoo.fh-wedel.de