

# Functional Programming

## Home Assignment 1

Due: 26 Mar 2022 - 23:59

## Instructions

- Please create a source file called **hw1.hs** and put all the answers there.

The file should start with a comment which contains your **full name** (in English) and **ID**

```
-- Montgomery Burns  
-- 15926535
```

- When writing a function - write both the **type** and the **body** of the function.
- **Important:** Please add the following line after the two comments:

```
module HW1 where
```

This line helps us to test your code.

- **Note:** Please make sure that the source file name is spelled **exactly as needed**. This also applies to **function names**.
- Be sure to write functions with **exactly the specified name** for each exercise. You may create additional auxiliary/helper functions with whatever names and type signatures you wish.
- Try to write **small functions** which perform just **a single task**, and then **combine** them to create more complex functions.
- **Note:** It's important to verify that the submitted sources compile without any errors. Failing to do so, might be very bad to your grade.

## Exercises

1. Write a function **shiftString**, which shifts a `String` one character to the left and puts the first character last

```
shiftString "" = ""  
shiftString "abcd" = "bcda"  
shiftString "12345" = "23451"
```

2. Write a function **interleave**, which takes two `Strings` and returns a `String`. The returned string will be composed of the characters of the original strings. Its first, third, fifth ... characters will be taken from the first string. The second, fourth, characters will be taken from the 2<sup>nd</sup> string.

```
interleave "abc" "12345" = "a1b2c345"  
interleave "abcd12" "" = "abcd12"
```

3. Write a function **block\_split**, which takes a `String` and breaks it into a list of strings of length 1, 2, 3 ... respectively.

```
block_split "1234567890" = ["1", "23", "456", "7890"]  
block_split "hello" = ["h", "el", "lo"]  
block_split "hi" = ["h", "i"]
```

4. Write a function **parity**, which takes a list of `Int` and returns either -1 or 1. The input list contains a permutation of the numbers 1, 2 ... n where n is the length of the list. The function returns 1 if the permutation is even and -1 if it's odd. You can find the exact definition of the parity of a permutation in this Wikipedia article:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parity\\_of\\_a\\_permutation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parity_of_a_permutation)

```
parity [1,2,3] = 1
```

**parity** [1,3,2] = -1

**parity** [7,1,6,3,2,5,4] = 1

5. Write a function `my_sqrt`, which takes a positive number and computes its square root. You're allowed to use just the 4 basic arithmetic operations in this question. The result should be an approximation to the actual value and should not differ from it by more than 0.000001.