# ECS 140A Homework 5 – Problem 3

### 1 Haskell

# Step 1: Algorithm/Pseudocode

```
isMatch(char, char) -> bool
   if char1 matches parenthesis type char2, return true
   else return false

matchingHelper(string, list) -> bool
   if both string and list are empty, return true
   if first char in "({[", add to list and recurse on rest of string
   else if char in ")}]"
      call isMatch with last item in list and char
      if false returned, return false; else pop list and recurse on rest of string
   else recurse on rest of string with same list

matching(string) -> bool
   call matchingHelper with empty list and return same boolean value
```

## Step 2: Actual Code

```
isMatch :: Char -> Char -> Bool
isMatch open close =
   (open == '(' && close == ')') ||
   (open == '{' && close == '}') ||
   (open == '[' && close == ']')
matchingHelper :: String -> [Char] -> Bool
matchingHelper str stack = do
   if str == [] && stack == [] then True
   else do
       let (x:xs) = str
       if x == '(' || x == '{' || x == '['
           then matchingHelper (stack ++ x) xs
       else if x == ')' || x == '}' || x == ']' then do
           if stack == [] then False
           else if isMatch (last stack) x
              then matchingHelper (take (length stack - 1) stack) xs
           else False
       else matchingHelper stack xs
```

```
matching :: String -> Bool
matching str = matchingHelper str []

main = do
    print (matching "()")
    print (matching "[a(b])")
```

#### Syntax Error 1

```
q3.hs:9:28: error:
Not in scope: type constructor or class 'Boolean'

g isMatch :: Char -> Char -> Boolean

q3.hs:15:33: error:
Not in scope: type constructor or class 'Boolean'

matching :: String -> [Char] -> Boolean
```

This error was raised because the boolean type should be Bool instead of Boolean.

#### Syntax Error 2

```
q3.hs:20:33: error:
• Couldn't match expected type '[Char]' with actual type 'Char'
• In the second argument of '(++)', namely 'x'
In the first argument of 'matching', namely '(stack ++ x)'
In the expression: matching (stack ++ x) xs

20 then matching (stack ++ x) xs
```

This error was raised because I forgot to enclose x (which is type Char) into a list in order to append to the stack.

# Step 3: Working Code

```
isMatch :: Char -> Char -> Bool
isMatch open close =
     (open == '(' && close == ')') ||
     (open == '{' && close == '}') ||
     (open == '[' && close == ']')

matchingHelper :: String -> [Char] -> Bool
matchingHelper str stack = do
     if str == [] && stack == [] then True
     else do
        let (x:xs) = str
        if x == '(' || x == '{' || x == '[' then matchingHelper (stack ++ [x]) xs
```

```
else if x == ')' || x == '}' || x == ']' then do
    if stack == [] then False
    else if isMatch (last stack) x
        then matchingHelper (take (length stack - 1) stack) xs
    else False
    else matchingHelper stack xs

matching :: String -> Bool
matching str = matchingHelper str []

main = do
    print (matching "()")
    print (matching "[a(b])")
```

# Step 4: Debug Process

### Bug 1

```
False q3: q3.hs:19:13-24: Non-exhaustive patterns in x : xs
```

This is the output when running the given test cases. This is because I mixed up the order of the arguments when recursing on the matchingHelper function.

Buggy code:

Fixed code:

# Bug 2

#### q3: q3.hs:19:13-24: Non-exhaustive patterns in x : xs

This was the output when running the test case "a{abc([])". This message was raised because we reached the end of the string but there was still items left in the stack. I forgot to account for this case.

Buggy code:

```
matchingHelper :: String -> [Char] -> Bool
matchingHelper str stack = do
   if str == [] && stack == [] then True
   else do
   ...
```

Fixed code:

```
matchingHelper :: String -> [Char] -> Bool
matchingHelper str stack = do
   if str == [] && stack == [] then True
   else if str == [] && stack /= [] then False
   else do
   ...
```

After fixing the above bugs, all given and additional test cases passed and behaved as expected. Below are the outputs:

```
(base) Annas-MacBook-Pro-2:hw5 annachen$ ghc q3.hs
[1 of 1] Compiling Main (q3.hs, q3.o)
Linking q3 ...
(base) Annas-MacBook-Pro-2:hw5 annachen$ ./q3
True
False
True
False
```

### Step 5: Add Documentation

```
-- Check if open parenthesis character matches close parenthesis character
isMatch :: Char -> Char -> Bool
isMatch open close =
   (open == '(' && close == ')') ||
   (open == '{' && close == '}') ||
   (open == '(' && close == ')')
-- Helper function that recurses on str[1:] and updates stack of open parentheses as needed
matchingHelper :: String -> [Char] -> Bool
matchingHelper str stack = do
   -- empty str check
   if str == [] && stack == [] then True
   else if str == [] && stack /= [] then False
   else do
       let (x:xs) = str
       if x == '(' || x == '{' || x == '[' -- open parenthesis char check}
           then matchingHelper xs (stack ++ [x]) -- append to stack and recurse
       else if x == ')' || x == '}' || x == ']' then do -- close parenthesis char check
          if stack == [] then False -- extra closing
           else if isMatch (last stack) x
              then matchingHelper xs (take (length stack - 1) stack) -- pop stack and
                  recurse
          else False
       else matchingHelper xs stack -- if other chars, "do nothing"
-- Uses helper function in order to include stack
matching :: String -> Bool
matching str = matchingHelper str []
```

```
main = do
    -- given cases
    print (matching "()") -- true
    print (matching "[a(b])") -- false

-- additional cases
    print (matching "") -- true
    print (matching "[a(b)]") -- true
    print (matching "a{abc([])") -- false
    print (matching "aabc([])}c") -- false
    print (matching "abc") -- true
    print (matching "b") -- false
    print (matching "(") -- false
    print (matching "(") -- false
    print (matching "({[()]})") -- true
    print (matching "({[()]})") -- false
    print (matching "({[()]})") -- false
    print (matching "({[()]})") -- false
    print (matching "({[()]})") -- false
```

### Step 6: Extra Test Cases Used

- ""
- "[a(b)]"
- "a{abc([])"
- "aabc([])}c"
- "abc"
- ")"
- "("
- "(]"
- "({[()]})"
- "({[()]}"
- "{[()]})"