Functional Programming Pattern Matching

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Tuples

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- tuple: a collection of a fixed number of values
- different but fixed types

```
n :: (t1, t2, ..., tn)
n = (e1, e2, ..., en)
```

• selector functions on pairs:

fst, snd

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Tuple Example

representing a term in a polynomial: $2.4x^2$

```
t :: (Float, Integer)
t = (2.4, 2)
-- fst t ~> 2.4
-- snd t ~> 2
```

Tuple Parameters

- tuples can be sent as parameters
- not the same as multiple parameters
- tuples can be returned as result

Tuple Parameter Example

```
gcd' :: (Integer, Integer) -> Integer
gcd' a
  | snd a == 0 = fst a
  | otherwise = gcd' (snd a, (fst a) 'mod' (snd a))
-- gcd' (9702, 945)
```

Tuple Result Example

```
simplifying a fraction
```

```
simplify :: (Integer, Integer) -> (Integer, Integer)
simplify f = (n 'div' g, d 'div' g)
where
   n = fst f
   d = snd f
   g = gcd n d
```

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Type Synonyms

• type synonym: giving an existing type a new name

```
type NewName = ExistingType
example
type Term = (Float, Integer)
t :: Term
t = (2.4, 2)
```

Example: Type Synonyms

```
type Fraction = (Integer, Integer)
simplify :: Fraction -> Fraction
simplify f = (n 'div' g, d 'div' g)
  where
    n = fst f
    d = snd f
    g = gcd n d

x :: Fraction
x = (21, 14)
-- simplify x ~> (3, 2)
```

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Example: Type Synonyms

```
type DayInYear = (Integer, Integer)
dec4 :: DayInYear
dec4 = (4, 12)
-- simplify dec4 ~> (1, 3)
```

Lists

- list: a combination of an arbitrary number of values
- all of the same type

```
n :: [t]
n = [e1, e2, ..., en]
```

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List Example

```
second degree polynomial: 2.4x^2 + 1.8x - 4.6

p1 :: (Float, Float, Float)

p1 = (-4.6, 1.8, 2.4)

any degree polynomial: 3.4x^3 - 7.1x + 0.5

p2 :: [Float]

p2 = [0.5, -7.1, 0.0, 3.4]

sparse terms: 72.3x^{9558} - 5.0x^3

p3 :: [Term]

p3 = [(-5.0, 3), (72.3, 9558)]
```

Lists

- a list consists of a first item (head)
 followed by a list of the remaining items (tail)
- note the recursion in the definition
- check if empty: nullget the head: head
- get the tail: tail
- independent of type: [a]

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List Operation Examples

List Construction

- list construction:item : sublist
- associates from the right

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List Size

number of elements in a list

List Example

sum of first two elements

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Strings

• a string is a list of characters

```
type String = [Char]
```

examples

Algebraic Types

• algebraic types: constructors and components

```
data T = C1 t11 t12 ... t1m
| C2 t21 t22 ..... t2n
| ...
```

- value construction: Ci eil eil ... eik
- constructors are functions
- Ci may be the same as, or different from T

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Algebraic Type Examples

Algebraic Type Examples

enumeration

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Algebraic Type Examples

```
multiple options
```

Patterns

- expressions can be checked against patterns
- result is the expression for the first matched pattern

```
case expr of
    p1 -> e1
    p2 -> e2
    ...
    pn -> en
    _ -> e
```

• matched patterns generate bindings

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Pattern Examples

literal value pattern

```
gcd :: Integer -> Integer
gcd x y = case y of
    0 -> x
    _ -> gcd y (x 'mod' y)
```

Pattern Examples

tuple pattern

```
gcd' :: (Integer, Integer) -> Integer
gcd' a = case a of
          (x, 0) -> x
          (x, y) -> gcd' (y, x 'mod' y)

-- gcd' (9702, 945)
-- second pattern, bindings: x <-> 9702, y <-> 945

-- gcd' (63, 0)
-- first pattern, bindings: x <-> 63
```

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Nested Patterns

• patterns can be nested

example

```
shift :: ((a, b), c) -> (a, (b, c))
shift s = case s of
      ((x, y), z) -> (x, (y, z))
```

Wildcards

• if binding not needed, use wildcard: _

example: third component of a triple

```
third :: (a, b, c) -> c
third t = case t of
     (x, y, z) -> z

-- OR:
third t = case t of
     (_, _, z) -> z
```

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List Patterns

empty list:

[]

nonempty list:

X:XS

• list with exactly one element:

[x]

• list with exactly two elements:

[x1,x2]

• list with at least two elements:

x1:x2:xs

List Pattern Examples

number of elements

```
length :: [a] -> Int
length xs = case xs of
    [] -> 0
    x:xs' -> 1 + length xs'
```

List Pattern Examples

sum of the first and third elements

List Pattern Examples

check whether a list is in nondecreasing order

```
nondecreasing :: [Integer] -> Bool
nondecreasing xs = case xs of
[] -> True
[_] -> True
x1:x2:xs -> x1 <= x2 && nondecreasing (x2 : xs)</pre>
```

• reconstructing not necessary: @

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List Pattern Examples

check whether list is in nondecreasing order

Algebraic Type Patterns

- patterns can match algebraic types
- use pattern matching to get values out of product types

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Algebraic Type Pattern Examples

get component out of product type

```
birthYear :: Person -> Integer
birthYear p = case p of
    Person _ y -> y

-- birthYear (Person "Alonzo Church" 1903) ~> 1903
-- binding: y <-> 1903
```

Algebraic Type Pattern Examples

number of days in a month

```
daysInMonth :: Month -> Integer -> Integer
daysInMonth m y = case m of
    Apr -> 30
    Jun -> 30
    Sep -> 30
    Nov -> 30
    Feb -> if y 'mod' 4 == 0 then 29 else 28
    _ -> 31
-- daysInMonth Jan 2014 -> 31
-- daysInMonth Feb 2014 -> 28
-- daysInMonth Feb 2016 -> 29
```

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Algebraic Type Pattern Examples

area of a geometric shape

Parameter Patterns

- formal parameters are patterns
- components of pattern matched with actual parameters
- in case of multiple patterns, first match will be selected

```
n p1 = e1
n p2 = e2
```

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Parameter Pattern Example

```
gcd :: Integer -> Integer
gcd x y = case y of
    0 -> x
    _ -> gcd y (x 'mod' y)

-- OR:
gcd :: Integer -> Integer -> Integer
gcd x 0 = x
gcd x y = gcd y (x 'mod' y)
```

Parameter Pattern Example

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```
third :: (a, b, c) -> c
third t = case t of
    (_ , _, z) -> z

-- OR:
third :: (a, b, c) -> c
third (_, _, z) = z
```

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Parameter Pattern Example

```
length :: [a] -> Int
length xs = case xs of
    [] -> 0
    x:xs' -> 1 + length xs'

-- OR:
length :: [a] -> Int
length [] = 0
length (x:xs) = 1 + length xs
```

Parameter Pattern Example

```
birthYear :: Person -> Year
birthYear p = case p of
    Person _ y -> y

-- OR:
birthYear :: Person -> Year
birthYear (Person _ y) = y
```

Record Types

- give names to fields
- automatically creates functions to extract components

Record Examples

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Example: Quadrants

```
quadrant :: Coords -> Integer
quadrant (x, y) = case (x>=0, y>=0) of
   (True, True) -> 1
   (False, True) -> 2
   (False, False) -> 3
   (True, False) -> 4
```

Example: Fibonacci

```
fibStep :: (Integer, Integer) -> (Integer, Integer)
fibStep (u, v) = (v, u + v)

-- fibPair n ~> (fib n, fib (n + 1))
fibPair :: Integer -> (Integer, Integer)
fibPair 1 = (1, 1)
fibPair n = fibStep (fibPair (n - 1))

fastFib n = fst (fibPair n)
```

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List Operators

- index: !!
- append: ++

examples

```
-- [1, 2, 3] !! 0  ~> 1
-- [1, 2, 3] !! 2  ~> 3
-- [1, 2, 3] !! 3  ~> error

-- [1, 2, 3] ++ [4, 5] ~> [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

Example: Indexing Lists

• use the infix operator notation:

```
(!!) :: [a] -> Int -> a
[]    !! _ = error "no such element"
(x:xs) !! 0 = x
(x:xs) !! n = xs !! (n - 1)
```

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Example: Appending Lists

```
(++) :: [a] -> [a] -> [a]
[] ++ ys = ys
(x:xs) ++ ys = x : (xs ++ ys)
```

Ranges

- [n .. m]: range with increment 1
- [n, p .. m]: range with increment p n

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Membership Check

• check whether an element is a member of a list

```
elem 'x' "word" ~> False

elem :: Char -> [Char] -> Bool
elem _ [] = False
elem x (c:cs) = if x == c then True else elem x cs
```

• exercise: make a list of n copies of an item

```
replicate 3 'c' ~> "ccc"
```

elem 'r' "word" ~> True

Last Element

get the last element of a list last "word" ~> 'd'

```
last :: [a] -> a
last [] = error "empty list"
last [x] = x
last (x:xs) = last xs
```

• exercise: get all elements but the last of a list

```
init "word" ~> "wor"
```

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Split

• take n elements from the front of a list

```
take 3 "Peccary" ~> "Pec"
```

```
take :: Int -> [a] -> [a]

take 0 _ = []

take _ [] = []

take n (x:xs) = x : take (n - 1) xs
```

- exercise: drop n elements from the front of a list
 - drop 3 "Peccary" ~> "cary"
- exercise: split a list at a given positionsplitAt 3 "Peccary" ~> ("Pec", "cary")

Reverse

reverse a list

```
reverse :: [a] -> [a]
reverse [] = []
reverse (x:xs) = (reverse xs) ++ [x]
```

reverse "word" ~> "drow"

Concatenate

• convert a list of lists of items into a list of items concat [[2, 3], [], [4] ~> [2, 3, 4]

```
concat :: [[a]] -> [a]
concat [] = []
concat (xs:xss) = xs ++ concat xss
```

Zip

• convert two lists into a list of pairs

```
zip [1, 2] "ab" ~> [(1, 'a'), (2, 'b')]
```

```
zip :: [a] -> [b] -> [(a, b)]
zip[] = []
zip(x:xs)(y:ys) = (x, y) : zip xs ys
```

• not all cases are covered:

```
zip [1, 2] "abc" ~> [(1, 'a'), (2, 'b')]
```

Zip

```
zip :: [a] -> [b] -> [(a, b)]
zip (x:xs) (y:ys) = (x, y) : zip xs ys
zip _ = []
```

• exercise: convert three lists into a list of triples zip3 [1, 2] "abc" [7, 4] ~> [(1, 'a', 7), (2, 'b', 4)]

Unzip

• convert a list of pairs into a pair of lists

```
unzip [(1, 'a'), (2, 'b')] ~> ([1, 2], "ab")
```

```
unzip :: [(a, b)] -> ([a], [b])
unzip [] = ([], [])
unzip ((x, y):xys) = (x : xs, y : ys)
 where
   (xs, ys) = unzip xys
```

• exercise: convert a list of triples into three lists

```
unzip3 [(1, 'a', 7), (2, 'b', 4)]
   ~> ([1, 2], "ab", [7, 4])
```

Example: Merging Lists

merge two ordered lists

Merging Lists

```
merge two ordered lists
```

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Roman Numeral Conversion

convert an integer to Roman numerals

 adapted from the book "Dive into Python" by Mark Pilgrim: http://www.diveintopython.net/

```
romanNumerals =
  [("M", 1000), ("CM", 900), ("D", 500), ("CD", 400),
  ("C", 100), ("XC", 90), ("L", 50), ("XL", 40),
  ("X", 10), ("IX", 9), ("V", 5), ("IV", 4),
  ("I", 1)]
```

Roman Numeral Conversion

Python

```
def toRoman(n):
    result = ""
    for numeral, integer in romanNumerals:
        while n >= integer:
        result += numeral
        n -= integer
    return result
```

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Roman Numeral Conversion

```
toRoman :: Integer -> String
toRoman n = tR n romanNumerals
where
   tR :: Integer -> [(String, Integer)] -> String
   tR n [] = ""
   tR n xs@((s, k):xs')
        | n >= k = s ++ tR (n - k) xs
        | otherwise = tR n xs'
```

• exercise: convert a Roman numeral string into an integer

Roman Numeral Conversion

```
Python

def fromRoman(s):
    result = 0
    index = 0
    for numeral, integer in romanNumerals:
        while s[index : index+len(numeral)] == numeral:
            result += integer
            index += len(numeral)
    return result
```

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References

Required Reading: Thompson

- Chapter 5: Data types, tuples and lists
- Chapter 6: Programming with lists
- Chapter 7: Defining functions over lists