

QUESTION 4

(a)

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def reduce (m: int, n: int) : (int, int) = {
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  var a = m
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  var b = n
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// m/n can be simplified into a fraction which is in "its lowest terms" if we simplify it by $\gcd(m, n)$, which we will calculate below

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  // invariant i:  $\gcd(m, n) = \gcd(a, b)$ 
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  while (b != 0)
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  { var r = a % b
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    a = b
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    b = r
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    // Here, we use the fact that  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, a \% b)$ 
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  }
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  //  $b = 0 \Rightarrow \gcd(m, n) = a$ 
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  return (m/a, n/a)
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}
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(b) We want to calculate the biggest positive integer q such that $\frac{1}{q} \leq \frac{n}{m}$. As $\lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil - 1 < \frac{n}{m} \leq$

$$\lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil - 1} > \frac{n}{m} \geq \frac{1}{\lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil} \Rightarrow q = \lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil$$

The algorithm we will use is:

1. calculate $\lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil$

2. replace $\frac{n}{m}$ with $\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{\lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil}$

3. repeat 1, 2 until m becomes 0

The algorithm will terminate because $\frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{nq - m}{mq}$ and $nq - m = m \lceil \frac{n}{m} \rceil - m <$

$< m(\frac{n}{m} + 1) - m = n + m - m = n \Rightarrow$ the new m is going to be smaller than m , so, after at most m step we will get to $m = 0$ and the algorithm will terminate.

(c)

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def fromRat (m1: int, n1: int) : Array [int] = {
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  var m = m1; var n = n1
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  var e = new Array [int] (1000)
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  var k = 0
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// invariant $i: \frac{m_1}{m_1} = \frac{m}{m} + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{e(i)}$

while ($m \neq 0$)

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{
  var  $q = m / m$ 
  if ( $m \% m \neq 0$ )  $q++$ 
  //  $q = \lceil \frac{m}{m} \rceil$ 
   $e(k) = q; k++$ 
   $m = m * q - m; m = m * q$ 
}
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// $m = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{m_1}{m_1} = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{e(i)}$

}

(d)

def toRat ($e: \text{Aarray}[\text{int}]$) : (int, int) = {

var $N = e.\text{size}$

var $m = 0$; var $n = 1$

var $i = 0$

// invariant $i: \frac{m}{n} = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \frac{1}{e(j)}$

while ($i < N$)

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{
   $m = m * e(i) + n$ 
   $n = m * e(i)$ 
   $i++$ 
}
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reduce(m, n)

}

(e)

// Printing a fraction

def printRat ($m: \text{int}, n: \text{int}$): String = $m.\text{toString} + "/" + n.\text{toString}$

// Printing the Egyptian fractions

def printEgypt ($e: \text{Aarray}[\text{int}]$): String = {

var $N = e.\text{size}$

while ($e(N-1) \neq 0$) $N--$ // when the size of the array is bigger than the number of elements in it

var $stn = ""$

for ($i \leftarrow 0$ until $N-1$) $stn = stn + "1/" + e(i).\text{toString} + "+"$

$stn = stn + "1/" + e(N-1)$

stn }

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// if we want to print an equality :  
def printEq (m: int, n: int) : String = {  
    printRat(m, n) + " = " + printEgypt (fromRat(m, n))  
}
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