CptS 355- Programming Language Design

Functional Programming in Haskell Part-2

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So far we haven't talked about the memory efficiency of recursion.
 For which situations do we need to improve efficiency of recursion?

Call Stacks:

- While a program runs, there is a stack of function calls that have started but not yet returned,
 - Calling a function f pushes an instance of f on the stack
 - When a call to f finished it is popped from the stack
- These stack-frames (activation records) store information like the value of a local variables and "what is left to do " in the function.
- Due to recursion, multiple stack frames may include the calls to the same function.

• Example: addup function

```
addup :: Num p => [p] -> p

addup [] = 0

addup (x:xs) = x + (addup xs)

sum1 = addup [1,2,3] -- evaluates to 6
```

1
addup[1,2,3]

	2	
	addup	[2,3]
addup	[1,2,3]	: 1+_

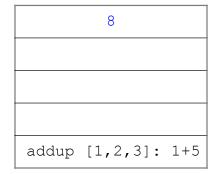
3	
addup	[3]
addup [2,3]:	2+_
addup [1,2,3]:	1+_

4
addup[]
addup [3]:3+_
addup [2,3]: 2+_
addup [1,2,3]: 1+_

5
addup[]:0
addup [3]:3+_
addup [2,3]: 2+_
addup [1,2,3]: 1+_

```
addup [3]:3+0
addup [2,3]: 2+_
addup [1,2,3]: 1+_
```

7	
addup [2,3]:	2+3
addup [1,2,3]:	1+_



Here is a second version of addup.

```
addup2 :: Num p => p-> [p] -> p
addup2 accum [] = accum
addup2 accum (x:xs) = (addup2 (accum + x) xs)
sum2 = addup2 0 [1,2,3]
```

1	2
	addup2 (0+
addup2 0 [1,2,3]	addup2 0 [

2	3
	addup2 (1+2)[3]
addup2 (0+1) [2,3]	addup2 (0+1)[2,3]:_
addup2 0 [1,2,3]:_	addup2 0 [1,2,3]:_

4
addup2 (3+3)[]
addup2 (1+2)[3]:_
addup2 (0+1)[2,3]:_
addup2 0 [1,2,3]:_

5
addup2 (3+3)[]:6
addup2 (1+2)[3]:_
addup2 (0+1)[2,3]:_
addup2 0 [1,2,3]:_

```
addup2 (1+2)[3]:6
addup2 (0+1)[2,3]:_
addup2 0 [1,2,3]:_
```

7
addup2 (0+1)[2,3]:6
addup2 0 [1,2,3]:_

		8
addup2	0	[1,2,3]:6

It is simply unnecessary to keep around a stack frame just so it can get a call's result and return it without any further evaluation.

Haskell

- Such a situation is called a tail call. Haskell recognizes these tail recursive calls in the compiler and treats them differently.
 - Pop the caller before the call, allowing the callee to reuse the same stack space.
 - (Along with other optimizations) this is as efficient as a loop.
- Tail recursive call:

1	2	3	4
addup2 0 [1,2,3]	addup2 (0+1) [2,3]	addup2(2+1) [3]	addup2 (3+3) []

- We reused the stack space for the caller each time and we never used an additional stack space for the recursive calls.
- This more efficient. Why/when does it matter?

Let's look at the type of addup2:

```
:t addup2
addup2 :: Num p => p -> [p] -> p
```

 The type is different than our original addup function. We will treat addup2 as an auxiliary function and define addup as follows:

Recursive Functions in Haskell

- Reverse (revisited)
 - First implement reverse-append:
 - We append the first list to the second in reverse order.

```
revAppend :: [a] -> [a] -> [a]
revAppend [] acc = acc
revAppend (x:xs) acc = revAppend xs (x:acc)
```

– How can we implement reverse using revAppend?

Recursive Functions – one more example

Calculate the lengths of the sublists in a list:

```
lengthofSublist :: [[a]] -> [Int]
lengthofSublist [] = []
lengthofSublist (x:xs) = (length x) : (lengthofSublist xs)

k = lengthofSublist [[1,2,3],[4,5],[6],[]] -- returns [3,2,1,0]
```

Haskell: Higher Order Functions

- A function is higher-order if:
 - it takes another function as an argument, or
 - it returns a function as its result.
- Functional programs make extensive use of higher-order functions to make programs smaller and more elegant.
- We use higher-order functions to encapsulate common patterns of computation.

Higher Order Functions: map

- Creating a new list with the same number of elements (by altering a given list) is a very common pattern that we do in programming.
- Examples: allSquares and strToUpper

```
allSquares :: Num a => [a] -> [a]
allSquares [] = []
allSquares (x : xs) = x * x : allSquares xs

strToUpper :: String -> String
strToUpper [] = []
strToUpper (chr : xs) = (Data.toUpper chr) : (strToUpper xs)
```

• This type of computation is very common. Haskell has a built-in function map which takes a function op, and a list as arguments and constructs a new list by applying the function op to every element of the input list.

```
map op [e1,e2,e3,e4]

$\$\$\$$ [(op e1),(op e2),(op e3),(op e4)]
```

Higher Order Functions: map

Map function:

```
map' :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
map' op [] = []
map' op (x : xs) = (op x) : (map' op xs)
```

We can redefine allSquares and strToUpper functions using map

```
allSquares' :: Num a => [a] -> [a]
allSquares' xL = map square xL
where square x = x * x
```

```
import Data.Char as Data

strToUpper' :: String -> String
strToUpper' xS = map toUpper xS
```

Anonymous Functions in Haskell

- We can also define anonymous functions (i.e., functions without names):
 - Instead of:

```
functionName a1 a2 ··· an = body
```

We write:

```
\a1 a2 ··· an -> body
```

– Examples:

```
\x -> x * x -- anonymous function calculating the square root. 
 \xspacesq = \x -> x * x -- can bind the function value to a variable (e.g., sq) (\xspacesq x -> x * x) 5 -- can directly call the anonymous function; this will return 25 -- can pass the anonymous function as argument to a higher order function \xspacesq sq All = \xspacesq approx (\xspacesq x -> x * x) [1,2,3,4,5]
```

 $\xy \rightarrow (x,y)$ --anonymous function with two arguments

Higher Order Functions: filter

- Filter function takes a "predicate" function and a list; and returns a list consisting the elements of the original list for which the predicate function returns true for.
 - predicate function: a function that returns a Bool value

```
Example: isNeg :: (Ord a, Num a) => a -> Bool
         isNeg x = if x<0 then True else False
```

```
filter' :: (a -> Bool) -> [a] -> [a]
filter' op [] = []
filter' op (x : xs) \mid (op x) = x : (filter' op xs)
                     otherwise = filter' op xs
```

– Filter examples:

```
negatives :: (Ord a, Num a) \Rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]
negatives xL = filter isNeg xL
negatives [-3,-2,-1,0,1,2,3] -- returns [-3,-2,-1]
extractDigits' :: String -> String
extractDigits' strings = filter isDigit strings
extractDigits "CptS355" -- returns 355
```

Higher Order Functions: filter

filterSmaller – revisited

How can we re-write filterSmaller using filter?

Higher Order Functions: foldr

Remember the following functions:

```
addup :: Num p => [p] -> p
addup [] = 0
addup (x:xs) = x + (addup xs)

minList :: [Int] -> Int
minList [] = maxBound
minList (x:xs) = x `min` minList xs

concatStr :: [String] -> String
concatStr [] = ""
concatStr (x:xs) = x ++ (concatStr xs)
```

- These 3 functions follow the same pattern and they are very similar. There are only small differences, which are:
 - What we did to combine the elements in the list (addition vs comparison vs concatanation)
 - What we used as the base case.

Higher Order Functions: foldr

 Now we will look into another higher order function that is an abstraction of this pattern and it is called the "foldr" function.

• fold folds a list together by successively applying the function f to the elements of the input list.

```
fold op base [e1,e2,e3,e4] \Rightarrow op e1 (op e2 (op e3 (op e4 base)))
```

Note: Not Haskell syntax

Higher Order Functions

Examples:

```
minList :: [Int] -> Int
minList xL = foldr min maxBound xL

addup :: Num a => [a] -> a
addup xL = foldr (+) 0 xL

concatStr :: [String] -> String
concatStr xL = foldr (++) "" xL
```

```
reverse' :: [a] -> [a]
reverse' iL= foldr (\x xs -> xs ++ [x]) [] iL
```

```
allEven :: [Int] -> Bool
allEven iL = foldr (\x b -> even x && b) True iL
```

Higher Order Functions: foldr - cont.

- How does foldr work?
 - It traverses the list from right to left and applies the combining function.
- For example:

```
addup xL = foldr (+) 0 xL
addup [1,2,3]

addup 1 (foldr addup 0 [2,3])
addup 1 (addup 2 (foldr addup 0 [3]))
addup 1 (addup 2 (addup 3 (foldr addup 0 [])))
addup 1 (addup 2 (addup 3 0)
addup 1 (addup 2 3)
addup 1 5
```

 There is a variation of the fold function called "fold1" which somewhat traverses the list from left to right. i.e.,

```
(addup (addup 0 1) 2) 3)
```

Tail recursive fold1

• "fold1" iterates over the elements from left to right.

```
foldl' :: (b -> a -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldl' op acc [] = acc
foldl' op acc (x:xs) = foldl' op (acc `op` x) xs
Tail-recursive
```

```
foldl op acc [e1,e2,e3,e4] \Rightarrow (op (op (op acc e1) e2) e3) e4)
```

```
foldr' :: (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldr' op base [] = base
foldr' op base (x:xs) = x `op` (foldr' op base xs)
```

foldr

Examples:

What will the mystery function do?

```
cons :: a -> [a] -> [a]
cons x xs = x:xs

mystery xL = foldr cons [] xL

mystery [1,2,3,4,5]
```

Tail recursive fold1

```
copyList :: [a] -> [a]
copyList xL = foldr (\x xs -> x:xs) [] xL
```

How should we re-write copyList using foldl?

```
copyList2 :: [a] -> [a]
copyList2 xL = reverse (foldl (\xs x -> x:xs) [] xL)
```

Tail recursive map

map

```
map' :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
map' op [] = []
map' op (x : xs) = (op x) : (map' op xs)
```

Tail recursive map: tailmap

Tail recursive filter

filter

Tail recursive filter: tailfilter

Examples: map, fold, filter

```
cons0 :: Num a => [a] -> [a] cons0 xs = 0:xs
```

• How can we use "map" and "cons0" to add 0 to each sublist in a given list?

```
e.g.,
[[1,2],[3],[4,5],[]] => [[0,1,2],[0,3],[0,4,5],[0]]

consX :: a -> [a] -> [a]
consX x xs = x:xs
```

 How can we use "map" and "consX" to add a value to each sublist in a given list?

```
e.g.,
[["1"],["2","3"],[]] => [["0","1"],["0","2","3"],["0"]]
```

Examples: map, fold, filter

```
gt :: Ord a => a -> a -> a
gt x y = if x < y then y else x
```

 How can we use "foldr" and "gt" to find the maximum value in a nested list of integers?

```
e.g., [[6,4,2],[-1,7],[1,3],[]] \Rightarrow 7
```

Combining Multiple Recursive Patterns

Find the sum of sqrt of elements in a list of numbers?
 e.g., [-1,4,-4,-3,25,16,-9] => 11.0

OR

Combining Multiple Recursive Patterns

 How can we use "map", and "filter" to find the sum of sqrt of elements in a list of integers?

```
sumOfSquareRoots :: (Ord a, Floating a) => [a] \rightarrow a
sumOfSquareRoots xs = sum (map sqrt (filter (x \rightarrow x>0) xs))
```

 How can we find the sum of sqrt of elements in a <u>nested</u> list of integers?

e.g.
$$[[25,16,-9],[0,9,-5],[]] => 12.0$$

```
sumOfSqrtNested :: (Ord a, Floating a) => [[a]] -> a
sumOfSqrtNested xs = sum (map sumOfSquareRoots xs)
    where sumOfSquareRoots xL = sum (map sqrt (filter (\x -> x>0 ) xL))
```

Function application with lower precedence

- Parameterized functions, such as map, filter, and foldr/foldl, are often called combinators.
 - We call the one-line definition of sumOfSquareRoots combinator-based.
 - A combinator-based expression tends to involve many parentheses.
 - To avoid this, Haskell's Prelude provides some more combinators.
 - For example:

```
infixr 0 $
  ($) :: (a -> b) -> a -> b
f $ x = f x
* is right associative and has precedence level 0 -
which is the weakest level of precedence in Haskell
```

```
sqrt (average 60 30)

sqrt $ average 60 30

first evaluate the application of average to 60 and 30, and then, apply sqrt to the result

sumOfSquareRoots xs = sum (map sqrt (filter (\x -> x>0 ) xs))
```

sumOfSquareRoots xs = sum \$ map sqrt \$ filter ($\x -> x>0$) xs

Function composition

```
sumOfSquareRoots xs = sum \$ map sqrt \$ filter (\x -> x>0) xs
```

 We would like to drop the xs parameter in sumOfSquareRoots and create a partial function.

```
sumOfSquareRoots = sum $ map sqrt $ filter (\x -> x>0)
This wont work (will give a compiler error).
filter, map, and sum are nested function calls.
```

Function composition allows us to apply filter, map, and sum as a pipeline.

```
(.) :: (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)
(f.g) x = f (g x)
```

The composition f.g of two functions f and g produces a new function that given an argument x first applies g to x, and then, applies f to the result of that first application.