

## Exercises

We're going to do the following exercises a bit differently than what you'll see in the rest of the book, as we will be providing some answers and explanations for the questions below.

**Combinators** Determine if each of the following are combinators or not.

1.  $\lambda x.xxx$
2.  $\lambda xy.zx$
3.  $\lambda xyz.xy(zx)$
4.  $\lambda xyz.xy(zxy)$
5.  $\lambda xy.xy(zxy)$

## Normal form or diverge?

Determine if each of the following can be reduced to a normal form or if they diverge.

1.  $\lambda x.xxx$
2.  $(\lambda z.zz)(\lambda y.yy)$
3.  $(\lambda x.xxx)z$

**Beta reduce** Evaluate (that is, beta reduce) each of the following expressions to normal form. We *strongly* recommend writing out the steps on paper with a pencil or pen.

1.  $(\lambda abc.cba)zz(\lambda wv.w)$
2.  $(\lambda x.\lambda y.xyy)(\lambda a.a)b$
3.  $(\lambda y.y)(\lambda x.xx)(\lambda z.zq)$
4.  $(\lambda z.z)(\lambda z.zz)(\lambda z.zy)$

Hint: alpha equivalence.

5.  $(\lambda x.\lambda y.xyy)(\lambda y.y)y$
6.  $(\lambda a.aa)(\lambda b.ba)c$
7.  $(\lambda xyz.xz(yz))(\lambda x.z)(\lambda x.a)$