

## NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE

## CS1101S — PROGRAMMING METHODOLOGY

(AY2019/2020 SEMESTER 1)

## MIDTERM ASSESSMENT (ADAPTED TO AY2020/21 IN 9/2020)

Time Allowed: **1 Hour 45 Minutes****SOLUTIONS****INSTRUCTIONS**

1. This assessment paper contains **SIX (6)** questions and comprises **EIGHTEEN (18)** printed pages, including this page.
2. The full score of this paper is **75 marks**.
3. This is a **CLOSED BOOK** assessment, but you are allowed to bring in one A4 sheet of notes (handwritten or printed on both sides).
4. Answer **ALL** questions **within the space provided** in this booklet.
5. Where programs are required, write them in the **Source §2** language.
6. Write legibly with a **pen or pencil**. **Untidiness will be penalized**.
7. Do not tear off any pages from this booklet.
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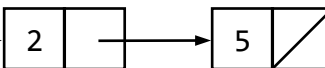
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## Question 1: Box-and-Pointer Diagrams [10 marks]

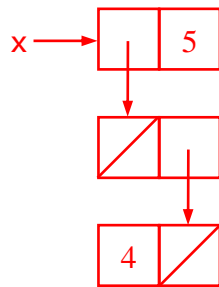
Draw the box-and-pointer diagram for the value of `x` after the evaluation of each of the following programs. Clearly show where `x` is pointing to.

For example, the following program results in the following diagram on the right:

`const x = pair(2, pair(5, null));`       $x \rightarrow$  

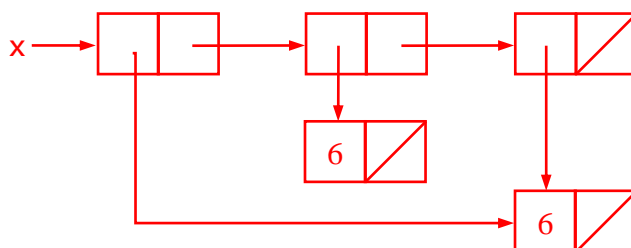
### 1A. [2 marks]

`const x = pair(pair(null, pair(4, null)), 5);`

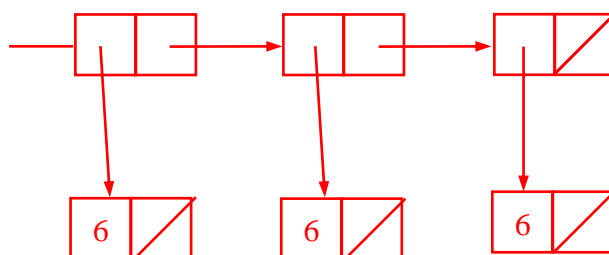


### 1B. [2 marks]

`const q = list(6);`  
`const x = list(q, pair(6, null), q);`

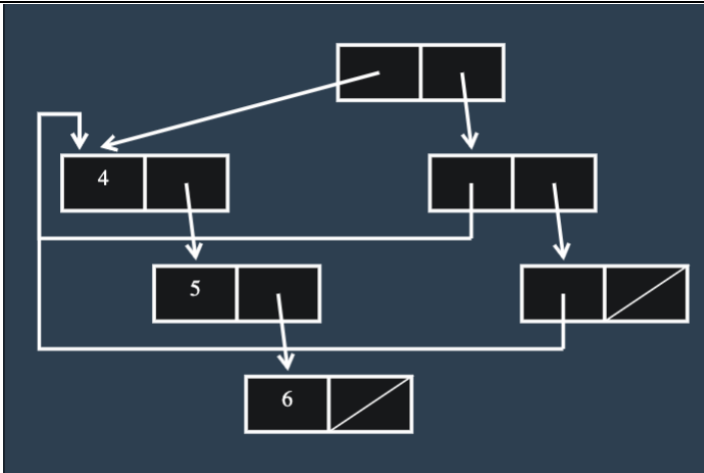


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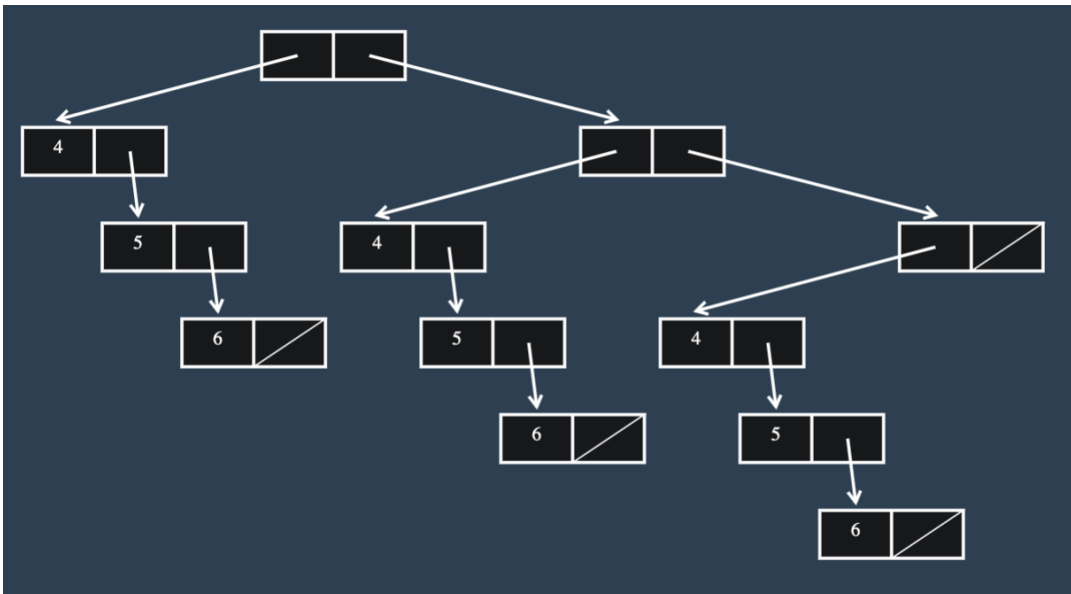


**1C. [3 marks]**

```
const ys = list(4, 5, 6);
const x = map(x => ys, ys);
```

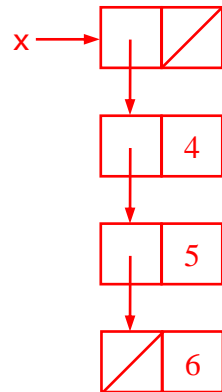


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**1D. [3 marks]**

```
const x = accumulate((x, ys) => map(y => pair(y, x), ys),  
                    list(null), list(4, 5, 6));
```



**Question 2: List Processing [19 marks]****2A. [4 marks]**

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**2B. [5 marks]**

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**2C. [5 marks]**

Complete the `last_comes_first` function, which takes as argument a *non-empty list* `xs`, and returns a list that results from removing the last element from `xs` and adding it as the first element of the result list.

**Examples:**

```
last_comes_first(list(2));           // returns List(2)
last_comes_first(list(2,5,3,4,5));  // returns List(5,2,5,3,4)
```

```
function last_comes_first(xs) {

    if (is_null(tail(xs))) {
        return xs;
    } else {
        const p = last_comes_first(tail(xs));
        return pair(head(p), pair(head(xs), tail(p)));
    }

}
```

**2D. [5 marks]**

The `fib_list` function takes as argument an integer  $N \geq 2$  and returns a list containing the first  $N$  Fibonacci numbers, arranged in *ascending order*.

**Examples:**

```
fib_list(2); // returns list(0, 1)
fib_list(7); // returns list(0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8)
```

Complete the following implementation of `fib_list`, which must give rise to an **iterative process** and its runtime should have an order of growth of  $\Theta(N)$ .

```
function fib_list(N) {

  function helper(count, rev) {
    return count === N
      ? rev
      : helper(count + 1,
               pair(head(rev) + head(tail(rev)), rev));
  }

  return reverse(helper(2, list(1, 0)));

}
```

**Question 3: Orders of Growth [8 marks]****3A. [3 marks]**

Assume a resource function  $r(n)$ . Indicate true or false for each of the following:

(i) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $\Theta(r(n))$ .

Circle one: ☒ True / False

(ii) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $O(r(n))$ .

Circle one: ☒ True / False

(iii) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $\Omega(r(n))$ .

Circle one: ☒ True / False

**3B. [2 marks]**

Assume a resource function  $r(n)$  and another function  $g(n)$  such that  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $\Theta(g(n))$ . Indicate true or false for each of the following:

(i) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $O(g(n))$ .

Circle one: ☒ True / False

(ii) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $\Omega(g(n))$ .

Circle one: ☒ True / False

**3C. [3 marks]**

Assume a resource function  $r(n)$  with order of growth  $\Theta(n \log n)$ . An example would be the runtime for merge sort. Indicate true or false for each of the following:

(i) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

Circle one: True / ☒ False

(ii) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $\Omega(n^2)$ .

Circle one: True / ☒ False

(iii) [1 mark]  $r(n)$  has order of growth  $O(n^2)$ .

Circle one: ☒ True / False

## Question 4: Active Lists [13 marks]

An *active list* is a function that takes an integer number and returns an empty list or a list of length 1. It can be used as an alternative representation of a list, where it takes as argument an element's position in the active list, and returns that element in a list of length 1. Note that the first element in an active list is at position 0.

The function `make_active_list` takes a list as its argument and returns an active list that represents the input list.

**Example:**

```
const alist = make_active_list(list(8, 3, 5));
alist(-1); // returns null
alist(0);  // returns list(8)
alist(1);  // returns list(3)
alist(2);  // returns list(5)
alist(3);  // returns null
```

Note that when the argument passed to `alist` is negative, or is greater than or equal to the length of the input list to `make_active_list`, the function `alist` should return an empty list.

### 4A. [3 marks]

Write the function `act_length` that takes as argument an active list `as`, and returns the length of the active list.

**Example:**

```
const as = make_active_list(list());
const bs = make_active_list(list(8, 3, 5));
act_length(as); // returns 0
act_length(bs); // returns 3
```

```
function act_length(as) {

    function iter(k) {
        return is_null(as(k)) ? k : iter(k + 1);
    }
    return iter(0);

}
```



**4B. [5 marks]**

Write the function `act_append` that takes as arguments two active lists, `as` and `bs`, and returns an active list that results from appending `bs` to `as`.

**Example:**

```
const as = make_active_list(list(11, 22));
const bs = make_active_list(list(33, 44, 55));
const cs = act_append(as, bs);
act_length(cs); // returns 5
list(cs(0), cs(1), cs(2), cs(3), cs(4));
// returns list(list(11), list(22), list(33), list(44), list(55))
```

Your implementation may make use of the `act_length` function from the preceding task.

```
function act_append(as, bs) {

    const len_as = act_length(as);

    return pos => (pos < len_as)
        ? as(pos)
        : bs(pos - len_as);

}
```

**4C. [5 marks]**

Write the function `sum` that takes as arguments an active list `as` and a function `f`, and returns the sum of  $f(x)$  for every element  $x$  of the input active list. We assume that all elements of the input active list are numbers.

**Example:**

```
const as = make_active_list(list(1, 2, 3));
sum(as, x => x * x); // returns 14 (1*1 + 2*2 + 3*3)
```

Your implementation may use the `act_length` function, and must make use of **at least one of the three functions**: `accumulate`, `map`, `filter`, in a meaningful way, to produce the result.

```
function sum(as, f) {

    return accumulate((x, ys) => f(x) + ys,
        0,
        build_list(act_length(as), i => head(as(i))));

}
```

## Question 5: Binary Arithmetic Expressions [11 marks]

A *Binary Arithmetic Expression (BAE)* is either a *number* or the expression  $(\langle bae \rangle \langle op \rangle \langle bae \rangle)$ , where each  $\langle bae \rangle$  is a BAE and  $\langle op \rangle$  is the binary operator  $+$  or  $*$ . The followings are examples of BAEs:

- 123
- ( 56 + 23 )
- ( ( 2 + 5 ) \* 100 )

BAEs are arithmetic expressions that we are all familiar with, except that in BAEs, a pair of parentheses is always used to surround every binary arithmetic operation. As a result, we do not need to be concerned with operator precedence and associativity.

We represent BAEs in Source in the following way: a BAE is either a *number* or a list that has 3 elements where the first element is a BAE, the second element is a string  $+$  or  $*$ , and the third element is a BAE. The first and third elements are the left and right operands of the binary arithmetic operation, respectively. For example, the BAE  $((2 + 5) * 100)$  has the following representation in Source: `list( list(2, "+", 5), "*", 100 )`.

### 5A. [5 marks]

Write a function `eval_BAE` that takes as argument a BAE `bae`, and evaluates it to a single numeric value.

**Example:**

```
const bae1 = 123;
eval_BAE(bae1); // returns 123
const bae2 = list( list(2, "+", 5), "*", 100 );
eval_BAE(bae2); // returns 700
```

```
function eval_BAE(bae) {

    if (is_number(bae)) {
        return bae;
    } else {
        const left = eval_BAE(head(bae));
        const right = eval_BAE(head(tail(tail(bae))));
        const op = head(tail(bae));
        return (op === "+") ? left + right : left * right;
    }

}
```

**5B. [6 marks]**

Write a function `negate_BAE` that takes as argument a BAE `bae`, and returns a BAE whose value is the negation of `bae`. The result BAE must have the same number of `"+"` and `"*"` as the original.

**Example:**

```
const bae1 = 123;
negate_BAE(bae1);           // returns -123
eval_BAE(negate_BAE(bae1)); // returns -123

const bae2 = list( list(2, "+", 5), "*", 100 );
negate_BAE(bae2); // returns list( list(-2, "+", -5), "*", 100 )
                  //      or list( list( 2, "+",  5), "*", -100 )
eval_BAE(negate_BAE(bae2)); // returns -700
```

```
function negate_BAE(bae) {

    if (is_number(bae)) {
        return -bae;
    } else {
        const op = head(tail(bae));
        const left = head(bae);
        const right = head(tail(tail(bae)));
        return (op === "*")
            ? list(negate_BAE(left), op, right)
            : list(negate_BAE(left), op, negate_BAE(right));
    }
}
```

**Question 6: Functions [14 marks]****6A. [6 marks]**

Consider the following two functions:

```
const twice = f => (x => f(f(x)));
const thrice = f => (x => f(f(f(x))));
```

What is the result of each of the following statements?

**(i) [2 marks]** `(twice(x => 2 * x))(1);`

$2^2 = 4$

**(ii) [2 marks]** `(thrice(twice(x => 2 * x)))(1);`

$(2^2)^3 = 64$

**(iii) [2 marks]** `((thrice(twice))(x => 2 * x))(1);`

$2^{(2^3)} = 256$

**6B. [4 marks]**

What is the result of evaluating the following program?

```
function mystery(f, x) {
  return x === 0
    ? f(x)
    : mystery(x => f(x + 1), x - 1);
}
mystery(x => 7 * x, 8);
```

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**6C. [4 marks]**

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———— **END OF QUESTIONS** ————

## Appendix

The following **list processing** functions are supported in Source §2:

- `pair(x, y)`: Makes a pair from `x` and `y`.
- `is_pair(x)`: Returns `true` if `x` is a pair and `false` otherwise.
- `head(x)`: Returns the head (first component) of the pair `x`.
- `tail(x)`: Returns the tail (second component) of the pair `x`.
- `is_null(xs)`: Returns `true` if `xs` is the empty list, and `false` otherwise.
- `is_list(x)`: Returns `true` if `x` is a list as defined in the lectures, and `false` otherwise. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(1)$ , where  $n$  is the length of the chain of `tail` operations that can be applied to `x`.
- `list(x1, x2, ..., xn)`: Returns a list with  $n$  elements. The first element is `x1`, the second `x2`, etc. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , since the constructed list data structure consists of  $n$  pairs, each of which takes up a constant amount of space.
- `length(xs)`: Returns the length of the list `xs`. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(1)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `map(f, xs)`: Returns a list that results from list `xs` by element-wise application of `f`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `build_list(n, f)`: Makes a list with  $n$  elements by applying the unary function `f` to the numbers 0 to  $n - 1$ . Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ .
- `for_each(f, xs)`: Applies `f` to every element of the list `xs`, and then returns `true`. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(1)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `list_to_string(xs)`: Returns a string that represents list `xs` using the text-based box-and-pointer notation `[...]`.
- `reverse(xs)`: Returns list `xs` in reverse order. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`. The process is iterative, but consumes space  $O(n)$  because of the result list.
- `append(xs, ys)`: Returns a list that results from appending the list `ys` to the list `xs`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `member(x, xs)`: Returns first postfix sublist whose head is identical to `x` (`===`); returns `null` if the element does not occur in the list. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(1)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `remove(x, xs)`: Returns a list that results from `xs` by removing the first item from `xs` that is identical (`===`) to `x`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `remove_all(x, xs)`: Returns a list that results from `xs` by removing all items from `xs` that are identical (`===`) to `x`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `filter(pred, xs)`: Returns a list that contains only those elements for which the one argument function `pred` returns `true`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `enum_list(start, end)`: Returns a list that enumerates numbers starting from `start` using a step size of 1, until the number exceeds (`>`) `end`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`. For example, `enum_list(2, 5)` returns the list `list(2, 3, 4, 5)`.
- `list_ref(xs, n)`: Returns the element of list `xs` at position  $n$ , where the first element has index 0. Iterative process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(1)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`.
- `accumulate(op, initial, xs)`: Applies binary function `op` to the elements of `xs` from right-to-left order, first applying `op` to the last element and the value `initial`, resulting in  $r_1$ , then to the second-last element and  $r_1$ , resulting in  $r_2$ , etc, and finally to the first element and  $r_{n-1}$ , where  $n$  is the length of

the list. Thus, `accumulate(op, zero, list(1,2,3))` results in `op(1, op(2, op(3, zero)))`. Recursive process; time:  $O(n)$ , space:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the length of `xs`, assuming `op` takes constant time.

Some other functions supported in Source §2:

- `is_boolean(x)`: Returns `true` if `x` is a boolean value, and `false` otherwise.
- `is_number(x)`: Returns `true` if `x` is a number, and `false` otherwise.
- `is_string(x)`: Returns `true` if `x` is a string, and `false` otherwise.

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