

Exercises

Chapter 4.2 - The Lambda Calculus

Exercise 1

Keeping in mind alpha equivalence, choose an answer that is equivalent to the listed lambda term.

1. $\lambda xy.xz$
 - (a) $\lambda xz.xz$
 - (b) $\lambda mn.mz$
 - (c) $\lambda z(\lambda.x.xz)$
2. $\lambda xy.xxy$
 - (a) $\lambda mn.mnp$
 - (b) $\lambda x.(\lambda y.xy)$
 - (c) $\lambda a(\lambda b.aab)$
3. $\lambda xyz.zx$
 - (a) $\lambda x.(\lambda y.(\lambda z))$
 - (b) $\lambda tos.st$
 - (c) $\lambda mnp.mn$

Exercise 2

Which (two or more) of the following are equivalent?

1.

 $\text{mth } x \ y \ z = x * y * z$

2.

 $\text{mth } x \ y = \lambda z \rightarrow x * y * z$

3.

 $\text{mth } x = \lambda y \rightarrow \lambda z \rightarrow x * y * z$

4.

 $\text{mth} = \lambda x \rightarrow \lambda y \rightarrow \lambda z \rightarrow x * y * z$

Exercise 3

The type of **mth** (above) is

```
mth :: Num a => a -> a -> a -> a
```

Write down the type of

```
mth 3
```

Exercise 4

Rewrite, using Haskell and evaluate the following:

1. $(\lambda x.x)2$
2. $(\lambda x.(x * 2))4$
3. $(\lambda x.(\lambda y.x * y))3 \ 4$
4. $(\lambda x.\lambda y.(if \ x < y \ then \ -1 \ else \ if \ x == y \ then \ 0 \ else \ 1)) \ 3 \ 4$
(**Note:** Use of if inside the lambda expression.)

Exercise 5

Rewrite the *f* function in the *where* clause using anonymous lambda syntax

```
addOneIfOdd n = case odd n of
  True  -> f n
  False -> n
  where f n = n + 1
```

Exercise 6

Rewrite the following to use anonymous lambda syntax

```
addFive x y = (if x > y then x else y) + 5
```

Exercise 7

Write a lambda version of the following functions:

1. ***abs***: which takes an Integer and returns the non-negative value.
e.g. $\text{abs } -1 = 1$, $\text{abs } 4 = 4$.
2. ***mymax***: which takes two numbers and returns the larger of the two
3. ***mymin***: which takes two numbers and returns the smaller of the two

Exercise 8

Using the techniques seen in class, encode the following using lambda calculus:

1. AND
2. OR