INFO0054 Programmation Fonctionnelle – Exercises

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Exercises 5: ADTs and Exception Handling

Preamble

Given the following ADT for trees:

```
enum Tree[+A]:
    case Leaf(label: A)
    case Branch(left: Tree[A], right: Tree[A])

object Tree:
    def size[A](t: Tree[A]): Int = t match
        case Leaf(_) => 1
        case Branch(l, r) => size(l) + size(r) + 1
```

And the following trees which you can use to test your code:

```
import Tree._
val ti = Branch(Branch(Leaf(1),Leaf(2)),Branch(Leaf(3),Leaf(4)))
val ts = Branch(Branch(Leaf("01"),Leaf("02")),Branch(Leaf("03"),Leaf("04")))
```

Exercise 1:

Write, inside the companion object, a function biggestInt that takes as input a Tree[Int] and returns the largest integer inside that tree. Is this function total? Explain your answer. In case it is not total, how can you manage exceptions?

Solution 1:

By definition, an object of type Tree[Int] has at least one Int and the function is therefore total.

```
object Tree:
   def biggestInt(t: Tree[Int]): Int = t match
      case Leaf(i) => i
      case Branch(1, r) => biggestInt(1).max(biggestInt(r))
```

```
scala> biggestInt(ti)
val res0: Int = 4
```

Exercise 2:

Write, inside the companion object, a function firstPositive that takes as input a Tree[Int] and returns the first strict positive integer inside that tree. Is this function total? Explain your answer. In case it is not total, how can you manage exceptions?

Solution 2:

Trees of type Tree[Int] contain at least on Int, but those integers may all be lower than or equal to zero. This function is therefore not total and we could manage exceptions with Option or Either.

```
object Tree:
    def firstPositive(t: Tree[Int]): Option[Int] = t match
        case Leaf(i) => if i > 0 then Some(i) else None
        //case Branch(l, r) => firstPositive(l).orElse(firstPositive(r))
        case Branch(l, r) => firstPositive(l) orElse firstPositive(r)
```

Notice how you can write <exp1>.fun(<exp2>) as <exp1> fun <exp2> in Scala.

```
scala> firstPositive(ti)
val res0: Option[Int] = Some(1)

scala> firstPositive(Leaf(-5))
val res1: Option[Int] = None
```

Exercise 3:

Exploring Scala features: extension methods

Last week, we've seen that some ADTs have functions whose availability depend on their contents. For instance, objects of type List[Int] have utility functions such as sum. In this exercise, you will create your own functions that depend on the type of objects stored!

So far, we have declared ADTs with invariant or covariant type parameters. All functions that are declared on these ADTs (either in a companion object, our case classes, or our enum) operate on ADTs using As. I.e., the size function operates on every tree, regardless of the type of objects.

Some functions only make sense for certain types of trees; e.g., biggestInt for returning the biggest integer is a tree of integers. Defining this as a function of Tree[A] will not be appreciated by Scala. Instead, we should declare it as a function of Tree[Int].

Is it possible to "extend" our Tree? Yes, with **extension methods**. "An extension method allows defining new methods to third-party types, without making any changes to the original type." ¹.

Write, inside the companion object, extension methods for Tree[Int] and Tree[String] for the following functions:

- A function biggestInt for objects of the type Tree[Int]. This function returns the biggest Int inside a tree. Is this function total? Explain your answer. In case it is not total, how can you manage exceptions?
- A function firstPositive for objects of the type Tree[Int]. This function returns the first strict positive integer it finds in a tree. Is this function total? Explain your answer. In case it is not total, how can you manage exceptions?
- A function esrever for objects of the type Tree[String]. This function reverses all strings in a tree. Is this function total? Explain your answer. In case it is not total, how can you manage exceptions?

If you write those definitions in the same file as the previous exercises, you will have to either rename or comment out those functions.

Solution 3:

```
object Tree:
    extension (t: Tree[Int])
        // We extend objects of type Tree[Int] with a method biggestInt.
        // By definition, an object of type Tree[Int] has at least one Int.
```

¹https://www.baeldung.com/scala/extension-methods

Exercise 4:

In Chapter 04, we have covered the ADTs Option and Either. We have provided implementations for some functions on Option. The only function we have covered for Either is toList. In this exercise, you are asked to complete the following ADT.

```
enum Either[+E, +A]:
    case Left(get: E)
    case Right(get: A)

def toList: List[A] = this match
        case Right(a) => List(a)
        case Left(_) => List()

def map[B](f: A => B): Either[E, B] = ???

def flatMap[EE >: E, B](f: A => Either[EE, B]): Either[EE, B] = ???

def orElse[EE >: E, AA >: A](b: => Either[EE, AA]): Either[EE, AA] = ???

def getOrElse[B >: A](default: => B): B = ???

def toOption: Option[A] = ???
```

Solution 4:

```
def map[B](f: A => B): Either[E, B] = this match
    case Right(a) => Right(f(a))
    case Left(e) => Left(e)

def flatMap[EE >: E, B](f: A => Either[EE, B]): Either[EE, B] = this match
    case Left(e) => Left(e)
    case Right(a) => f(a)

def orElse[EE >: E, AA >: A](alt: => Either[EE, AA]): Either[EE, AA] = this match
    case Left(_) => alt
    case Right(a) => Right(a)

def getOrElse[B >: A](default: => B): B = this match
    case Left(_) => default
    case Right(a) => a
```

```
def toOption: Option[A] = this match
  case Left(_) => None
  case Right(a) => Some(a)
```

Exercise 5:

Now demonstrate your ADT. For the demonstration, consider implementing a safe division and implementing a save version of fib (i.e., one that manages the exception of negative arguments). Try lifting a function as well.

```
import Either._

def lift[A,B](f: A =>B): Either[_,A] => Either[_,B] = _.map(f)

def safeDiv(x: Int, y: Int): Either[Exception, Int] = ???

def safeFib(n: Int): Either[String, Int] = ???
```

Solution 5:

```
import Either._

def safeDiv(x: Int, y: Int): Either[Exception, Int] =
    try Right(x / y)
    catch case e: Exception => Left(e)

def safeFib(n: Int): Either[String, Int] =
    if n < 0 then Left("Argument is negative.")
    else if n < 2 then Right(n)
    else safeFib(n - 1).flatMap(a => safeFib(n - 2).map(b => a + b))
```

```
scala> safeDiv(10,2)
val res0: Either[Exception, Int] = Right(5)
scala > safeDiv(10,2).map(x => x + 2)
val res1: Either[Exception, Int] = Right(7)
scala> safeDiv(10,2).map(x => x + 2).getOrElse("Oops")
val res2: Matchable = 7
scala> safeDiv(10,2).map(x => x + 2).orElse(Left("Oops"))
val res3: Either[Object, Int] = Right(7)
scala> safeDiv(10,2).flatMap(safeDiv(_, 2))
val res4: Either[Exception, Int] = Right(2)
scala> safeDiv(10,0)
val res5: Either[Exception, Int] = Left(java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero)
scala > safeDiv(10,0).map(x => x + 2)
val res6: Either [Exception, Int] = Left(java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero)
scala> safeDiv(10,0).map(x => x + 2).getOrElse("Oops")
val res7: Matchable = Oops
scala> safeDiv(10,0).map(x => x + 2).orElse(Left("Oops"))
val res8: Either[Object, Int] = Left(Oops)
```

```
scala> safeDiv(10,0).flatMap(safeDiv(_, 2))
val res9: Either[Exception, Int] = Left(java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero)
```

```
def fib(n: Int): Int =
   if n < 2 then n
   else fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2)

def fib0 = lift(fib)</pre>
```

```
scala> val x = List((2,3),(2,2),(2,1),(2,0)).map((x,y) => safeDiv(x, y)).map(fib0)
val x: List[Either[?, Int]] = List(
   Right(0),
   Right(1),
   Right(1),
   Left(java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero))
```

Here's an alternative with for-expressions:

```
def safeFib2(n: Int): Either[String, Int] =
   if n < 0 then Left("Argument is negative.")
   else if n < 2 then Right(n)
   //else safeFib(n - 1).flatMap(a => safeFib(n - 2).map(b => a + b))
   for
        a <- safeFib(n - 1) // represents the outer flatMap
        b <- safeFib(n - 2) // represents the inner map
   yield a + b // the expression to be computed</pre>
```

Here's an alternative that is tail-recursive:

```
def safeFib3(n: Int): Either[String, Int] =
    @annotation.tailrec
    def helper(n: Int, a: Int, b: Int): Either[String, Int] =
        if n < 0 then Left("Argument is negative.")
        if n == 0 then Right(a)
        else helper(n - 1, b, a + b)
    helper(n, 0, 1)</pre>
```

References

[1] Paul Chiusano and Rnar Bjarnason. 2015. Functional Programming in Scala (2nd. ed.). Manning Publications Co., USA.