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SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

A LEVEL 2 MODULE, SPRING SEMESTER 2014-2015

ADVANCED FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING

Time allowed TWO hours

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Answer ALL FOUR QUESTIONS

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ADDITIONAL MATERIAL: Haskell Standard Prelude

Question 1:

a) Define the class **Monad** of monadic types in Haskell, and explain how this definition can be understood in English. (2)

b) Define an instance of the **Monad** class for the **Maybe** type, stating the type for each function that you define. (3)

c) Given the definitions

```
data Expr = Val Int | Add Expr Expr

eval      :: Expr -> Maybe Int
eval (Val n)  = if n == 0 then Nothing else Just n
eval (Add x y) = case eval x of
                    Nothing -> Nothing
                    Just n  -> case eval y of
                                Nothing -> Nothing
                                Just m  -> Just (n + m)
```

show how to rewrite the definition for **eval** using **return** and **>>=** for the **Maybe** monad, and explain why this definition might be preferred. (5)

d) State the three equational laws that every monad must satisfy, and prove that the two *identity* laws hold for the **Maybe** monad. (8)

e) Give two reasons why the monad laws are important. (2)

f) Given the definition

```
data Term a = Val Int | Var a | Add (Term a) (Term a)
```

define an instance of the **Monad** class for the **Term** type, and explain what operation on terms is implemented by the **>>=** function. (5)

Question 2:

a) Given the type declarations

```
type ST a = State -> (a, State)
```

```
type State = Int
```

define the following functions that make **ST** into a monad

```
return :: a -> ST a
```

```
(>>=) :: ST a -> (a -> ST b) -> ST b
```

and explain your definitions in English. (7)

b) Define a *non-monadic* function

```
replace :: [Int] -> Int -> ([Int], Int)
```

that replaces each occurrence of 0 in a list of integers by a unique or *fresh* integer, by taking the next fresh integer as an additional argument, and returning the next fresh integer as an additional result. For example, `replace [0,5,0,7,0] 1` should give `([1,5,2,7,3], 4)`. (6)

c) Why is the definition for **replace** problematic? (2)

d) Define a state transformer **fresh** :: **ST** Int that returns the current state as its result, and the successor of this value as the next state. (2)

e) Using **fresh**, show how the **replace** function can be redefined using the **do** notation by exploiting the fact that **ST** forms a monad. (6)

f) Using **replace**, define a function **relabel** :: [Int] -> [Int] that replaces each occurrence of 0 in a list by a fresh integer, starting from 1. For example, `relabel [0,5,0,7,0]` should give `[1,5,2,7,3]`. (2)

Question 3:

- a) Define an inference rule that formalises the principle of *induction* for the following type of natural numbers, and explain your definition: (5)

```
data Nat = Zero | Succ Nat
```

- b) Given the function definition

```
add      :: Nat -> Nat -> Nat
add Zero y  = y
add (Succ x) y = Succ (add x y)
```

- verify the two properties below using induction, justifying each step in your equational reasoning with a short hint. (8)

```
add x Zero = x
```

```
add (add x y) z = add x (add y z)
```

- c) Given the function definition

```
product      :: [Int] -> Int
product []    = 1
product (x:xs) = x * product xs
```

- explain using the example `product [2,3,4]` why this definition is potentially inefficient in terms of memory usage. (3)

- d) Given the specification `product' xs n = n * product xs`, calculate a recursive definition for `product'` using *constructive induction* on `xs`. You may assume standard properties of multiplication. (6)

- e) Given the revised definition `product xs = product' xs 1`, explain using `product [2,3,4]` why this definition is potentially more efficient. (3)

Question 4

Suppose that arithmetic expressions built up from integers, addition and multiplication are represented using the following types:

```
data Expr = Val Int | App Op Expr Expr
```

```
data Op    = Add | Mul
```

a) Define functions

```
eval    :: Expr -> Int
```

```
values :: Expr -> [Int]
```

that respectively evaluate an expression to its integer value, and return the list of integer values contained in an expression. (3)

b) Define a function

```
delete :: Int -> [Int] -> [Int]
```

that deletes the first occurrence (if any) of a value from a list. For example, `delete 2 [1,2,3,2]` should give the result `[1,3,2]`. (3)

c) Using `delete`, define a function

```
perms :: [Int] -> [[Int]]
```

that returns all permutations of a list, given by all possible reorderings of its elements. For example, `perms [1,2,3]` should give: (5)

```
[ [1,2,3] , [1,3,2] , [2,1,3] , [2,3,1] , [3,1,2] , [3,2,1] ]
```

d) Using `take` and `drop`, define a function

```
split :: [Int] -> [[Int],[Int]]
```

that returns all splittings of a list into two non-empty parts that append to give the original list. For example, `split [1,2,3,4]` should give: (4)

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

e) Using `split`, define a function

```
exprs :: [Int] -> [Expr]
```

that returns all expressions whose list of values is a given list. For example, `exprs [1,2,3]` should return all `e` for which `values e = [1,2,3]`. (6)

f) Using your answers to the previous parts, define a function

```
solve :: [Int] -> Int -> [Expr]
```

that returns all expressions whose list of values is a permutation of the given list and whose value is the given value.

For example, `solve [1,2,3,4] 10` should return all expressions `e` for which `values e` is a permutation of `[1,2,3,4]` and `eval e = 10`. (4)