Programmeringssprog: Assignment 2

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Exercise 3

Consider the following definitions and describe the total of distinct functions implemented by them when applied to Boolean values:

Lambda expression 1

```
(define not-and
  (lambda (b1 b2)
      (not (and b1 b2))))
```

Considering the lambda expression of applying negation to an and'ed set of Boolean arguments, we would expect the output to be $\neg(b_1 \land b_2)$, reminiscent of the binary NAND operation:

| b1 | b2 | out |
|----|----|-----|
| #t | #t | #f |
| #t | #f | #t |
| #f | #t | #t |
| #f | #f | #t |

Lambda expression 2

```
(define not-or
  (lambda (b1 b2)
        (not (or b1 b2))))
```

Considering the lambda expression of applying negation to an or'd set of Boolean arguments, we would expect the output to be $\neg(b_1 \lor b_2) = (b_1 \downarrow b_2)$, reminiscent of the binary NOR operation:

Lambda expression 3

```
(define and-not-not
  (lambda (b1 b2)
      (and (not b1) (not b2))))
```

| b1 | b2 | out |
|----|----|-----|
| #t | #t | #f |
| #t | #f | #f |
| #f | #t | #f |
| #f | #f | #t |

Considering the lambda expression of applying and to an already negated set of and'd Boolean arguments, we would expect the exact output table of previous NOR expression, merely rewritten as $\neg b_1 \wedge \neg b_2$:

| b1 | b2 | out |
|----|----|-----|
| #t | #t | #f |
| #t | #f | #f |
| #f | #t | #f |
| #f | #f | #t |

Lambda expression 4

```
(define or-not-not
  (lambda (b1 b2)
      (or (not b1) (not b2))))
```

Considering the lambda expression of applying or to an already negated set of and'd Boolean arguments, we would expect the resulting table to math the very first table of Lambda expression 1, such to comply with the rewritten $\neg b_1 \lor \neg b_2$:

| b1 | b2 | out |
|----|----|-----|
| #t | #t | #f |
| #t | #f | #t |
| #f | #t | #t |
| #f | #f | #t |

Exercise 4

Consider the equality of the following definitions:

```
(define square-of-a-sum
  (lambda (x y)
        (expt (+ x y) 2)))
```

This lambda expression is defined as taking two integers, x and y, adding them together by x + y and then using this result in (exptresult2), which is raising the result of x + y to the power of 2, yielding the Calculus formula $(x + y)^2$.

```
(define something-else
  (lambda (x y)
        (+ (expt x 2) (* 2 x y) (expt y 2))))
```

This lambda expression is defined as taking two integers, x and y, firstly raising x to the power of 2, secondly multiplying $2 \cdot x \cdot t$, thirdly raising y to the power of 2, and then, lastly, summing up these three subcalcuations, yielding the Calculus formula $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy$, which is the expanded version of $(x + y)^2$.

The first expression being $(x + y)^2$ and the second expression being $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = (x + y)^2$, we may conclude that these two expressions differ in definition and way of progress, but returns the exact same output if given identical x and y values respectively, regardless of negative or positive integers, due to the fact that $(x + y)^2 = (x + y)^2$.

Exercise 5

Considering the predefined procedure iota which, when applied to non-negative integers, returns a list of 0 to n-1, which function does the following procedure compute when given a non-negative integer?

```
(define length-iota
  (lambda (n)
        (length (iota n))))
```

The procedure named length - iota invokes the lambda expression that takes n as input, then computes $(iota \ n)$ which returns the list of 0, 1, ..., n-1, n. Then length procedure is invoked with the computed list as input, returning the length of the list, quite similar to Haskell's [0..n] way of producing lists and its length function that counts the length of a list, for example length[0..n].

Exercise 6

Continued from the previous exercise, Exercise 5, consider the predefined procedure reverse and define a compliant procedure atoi, that, when applied to a non-negative integer n, returns a list from n-1 to 0.

Applying the reverse function to any list l, returns l in reverse, that is $l = (l_1, l_2, ..., l_{n-1}, l_n)$, then $reverse(l) = (l_n, l_{n-1}, ..., l_2, l_1)$. Combining this function with iota which produces $l = (0, 1, 2, ..., l_{n-1})$; applying reverse to iota will suffice.

```
(define length-atoi
  (lambda (n)
        (length (reverse (iota n)))))
```

Tested, will output:

```
> (length-atoi 3)
3
> (length-atoi 7)
7
> (length-atoi -1)
Exception in iota: -1 is not a nonnegative fixnum
```

Exercise 7

Considering the following procedure,

```
(define identity-at-a-given-point?
  (lambda (p x)
        (equal? (p x) x)))
```

argue whether or not the given list of lambda expressions implements the identity function:

```
(lambda (x) (+ x))

(lambda (x) (- x))

(lambda (x) (* x))
```

As covered earlier in this week's exercises, +n, -n and *n will return n, so then x applied to +x is merely x applied to x which is #t.

```
(lambda (cs) (string-append cs))
```

An attempt to identify a list of characters and a list of characters as equal containers should result in a true statement. Let's test:

```
> (identity-at-a-given-point? (lambda (cs) (string-append cs)) "foo")
#t
```

```
(lambda (xs) (reverse xs))
```

This is a finicky little one. Checking if a list xs is equal to its reverse xs will only return #t if the lists are palindromes; that is, if they're the same read forwards and backwards. This behaviour will only happen if list l is empty or contains a single digit from iota, otherwise $(1,2) \neq (2,1)$. Of course, any sufficiently clever list hand-crafted will pass this test every time, for example (1,1,1,2,1,1,1). To sum up this rambling, calling this on iota lists of length 0 and 1 will return #t and #t, but $\forall n > 1 | iota \ n \to \#f$.