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CS421 HW11
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Problem 1.

By α -conversion, substitute y into z:

$$(\lambda y.xy)(\lambda x.\lambda y.yx) -- \alpha \rightarrow (\lambda z.xz)(\lambda x.\lambda z.zx)$$

Since α -conversion implies α -equivalence:

$$(\lambda y.xy)(\lambda x.\lambda y.yx) \sim \alpha \sim (\lambda z.xz)(\lambda x.\lambda z.zx)$$
 (1)

By α -conversion, substitute x into y:

$$(\lambda x.\lambda z.zx) - \alpha \rightarrow (\lambda y.\lambda z.zy)$$

Since α -conversion implies α -equivalence:

$$(\lambda x.\lambda z.zx) \sim \alpha \sim (\lambda y.\lambda z.zy)$$

Do the α -conversion and α -equivalence on z to x:

$$(\lambda y.\lambda z.zy) -- \alpha \rightarrow (\lambda y.\lambda x.xy)$$

$$(\lambda y.\lambda z.zy) \sim \alpha \sim (\lambda y.\lambda x.xy)$$

So:

$$(\lambda x.\lambda z.zx) \sim \alpha \sim (\lambda y.\lambda x.xy)$$

By congruence for application, we have:

$$(\lambda z.xz)(\lambda x.\lambda z.zx) \sim \alpha \sim (\lambda z.xz)(\lambda y.\lambda x.xy)$$

From (1) we have:

$$(\lambda y.xy)(\lambda x.\lambda y.yx) \sim \alpha \sim (\lambda z.xz)(\lambda y.\lambda x.xy)$$

Problem 2.

a. eager evaluation:

$$(\lambda x. x(\lambda y. xy))((\lambda u. u)(\lambda w. w))$$

$$-\beta --> (\lambda x.x(\lambda y.xy))(\lambda w.w)$$

$$--\beta --> ((\lambda w.w)(\lambda y.(\lambda w.w)y))$$

$$--\beta --> \lambda y.(\lambda w.w)y$$

b. lazy evaluation:

$$(\lambda x.x(\lambda y.xy))((\lambda u.u)(\lambda w.w))$$

$$--\beta --> (\lambda u.u)(\lambda w.w)(\lambda y.(\lambda u.u)(\lambda w.w)y)$$

$$--\beta --> (\lambda w.w)(\lambda y.(\lambda u.u)(\lambda w.w)y)$$

$$--\beta --> \lambda y.(\lambda u.u)(\lambda w.w)y$$

c. unrestricted $\alpha\beta$ -reduction:

$$(\lambda x.x(\lambda y.xy))((\lambda u.u)(\lambda w.w))$$

$$-\beta --> (\lambda x.x(\lambda y.xy))(\lambda w.w)$$

$$--\beta --> ((\lambda w.w)(\lambda y.(\lambda w.w)y))$$

$$-\beta \rightarrow \lambda y.(\lambda w.w)y$$

$$--\beta --> \lambda y.y$$