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Elective

Assignment – 1: λ -Calculus

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Instructions: Please solve the questions using pen and paper and scan the images. Every image should contain your roll number and name.

1. Fully parenthesize the following λ -expressions: [1.5 * 3 = 4.5]

- (a) $\lambda x. x z \lambda y. x y$
- (b) $(\lambda x. x z) \lambda y. w \lambda w. w y z x$
- (c) $\lambda x. x y \lambda x. y x$

2. Mark the free variables in the following λ -expressions: [1.5 * 3 = 4.5]

- (a) $\lambda x. x z \lambda y. x y$
- (b) $(\lambda x. x z) \lambda y. w \lambda w. w y z x$
- (c) $\lambda x. x y \lambda x. y x$

BEGIN SOLUTION

$\lambda x. x z \lambda y. x y$	$\rightarrow (\lambda x. ((x \text{ } z) (\lambda y. (x \text{ } y))))$
$(\lambda x. x z) \lambda y. w \lambda w. w y z x$	$\rightarrow ((\lambda x. (x \text{ } z)) (\lambda y. (w (\lambda w. (((w \text{ } y) \text{ } z) \text{ } x))))))$
$\lambda x. x y \lambda x. y x$	$\rightarrow (\lambda x. ((x \text{ } y) (\lambda x. (y \text{ } x))))$

END SOLUTION

3. Prove the following using encoding in λ -calculus: [2 * 8 = 16]

(a) $NOT(NOT \text{ } TRUE) = TRUE$

Given:

$$NOT = \lambda x. ((x \text{ } FALSE) \text{ } TRUE)$$

$$TRUE = \lambda x. \lambda y. x$$

$$FALSE = \lambda x. \lambda y. y$$

BEGIN SOLUTION

not (not true)	// replacing 1 st not w/ encoding
= $\lambda x. ((x \text{ } \text{false}) \text{ } \text{true})$ (not true)	// β -reduction: $x \rightarrow \text{not true}$
= ((not true) false) true	// replacing not w/ encoding
= (($\lambda x. ((x \text{ } \text{false}) \text{ } \text{true})$ true) false) true	// β -reduction: $x \rightarrow \text{true}$
= (((true false) true) false) true	// replace true w/ encoding
= (((($\lambda x. \lambda y. x$) false) true) false) true	// β -reduction: 1 st $x \rightarrow \text{false}$
= ((($\lambda y. \text{false}$) true) false) true	// β -reduction: $y \rightarrow \text{true}$
= ((false) false) true	// replace false w/ encoding
= (($\lambda x. \lambda y. y$) false) true	// β -reduction: $x \rightarrow \text{false}$
= ($\lambda v. v$) true	// β -reduction: $v \rightarrow \text{true}$
= true	// not (not true) = true

END SOLUTION

(b) $OR \text{ } FALSE \text{ } TRUE = TRUE$

Given:

$$OR = \lambda x. \lambda y. ((x \text{ } TRUE) \text{ } y)$$

$$TRUE = \lambda x. \lambda y. x$$

$$FALSE = \lambda x. \lambda y. y$$

BEGIN SOLUTION

END SOLUTION

or false true	// replacing or w/ encoding
= $\lambda x. \lambda y. ((x \text{ true}) y)$ false true	// β -reduction: $x \rightarrow \text{false}$
= $\lambda y. ((\text{false true}) y)$ true	// β -reduction: $y \rightarrow \text{true}$
= (false true) true	// replace 1 st false w/ encoding
= $((\lambda x. \lambda y. y) \text{ true})$ true	// β -reduction: $x \rightarrow \text{false}$
= $(\lambda y. y)$ true	// β -reduction: $y \rightarrow \text{true}$
= true	// or false true = true

(c) $SUCC \ 2 = 3$

Given:

$$2 = \lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (f \ y)$$

$$3 = \lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (f \ (f \ y))$$

$$SUCC = \lambda z. \lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (z \ f \ y)$$

BEGIN SOLUTION

succ 2	// replacing succ w/ encoding
= $(\lambda z. \lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (z \ f \ y)) \ 2$	// β -reduction: $z \rightarrow 2$
= $\lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (2 \ f \ y)$	// expanding 2 w/ encoding
= $\lambda f. \lambda y. f \ ((\lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (f \ y)) \ f \ y)$	// β -reduction: 1 st $f \rightarrow f$
= $\lambda f. \lambda y. f \ ((\lambda y. f \ (f \ y)) \ y)$	// β -reduction: 1 st $y \rightarrow y$
= $\lambda f. \lambda y. f \ (f \ (f \ y))$	// apply encoding for 3
= 3	// succ 2 = 3

END SOLUTION

(d) $(Y \ FACT) \ 2 = 2$

Given:

$$Y = \lambda f. (\lambda x. f \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x. f \ (x \ x))$$

$$FACT = \lambda f. \lambda n. \text{IF } n = 0 \text{ THEN } 1 \text{ ELSE } n * (f \ (n - 1))$$

BEGIN SOLUTION

Given:

$Y = \lambda f. (\lambda x. f \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x. f \ (x \ x))$
 $\text{fact} = \lambda f. \lambda n. \text{if } n = 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } n * (f \ (n-1))$

Proof:

(Y fact) 2	// replacing Y w/ encoding
= $(\lambda f. (\lambda x. f \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x. f \ (x \ x))) \ \text{fact} \ 2$	// β -reduction: 1 st $f \rightarrow \text{fact}$
= $(\lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x)) \ 2$	// β -reduction: 1 st $x \rightarrow \lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x)$
= $(\text{fact} \ ((\lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x)))) \ 2$	
// apply encoding for (Y fact)	
// $((\lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x. \text{fact} \ (x \ x))) \rightarrow (Y \ \text{fact})$	
// we know this is the encoding for (Y fact) from 3 rd line of proof	
= $(\text{fact} \ (Y \ \text{fact})) \ 2$	// apply encoding for fact
= $(\lambda f. \lambda n. \text{if } n = 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } n * (f \ (n-1))) \ (Y \ \text{fact}) \ 2$	
// β -reduction: 1 st $f \rightarrow (Y \ \text{fact})$	
= $(\lambda n. \text{if } n = 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } n * ((Y \ \text{fact}) \ (n-1))) \ 2$	// β -reduction: $n \rightarrow 2$
= $\text{if } 2=0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 2 * ((Y \ \text{fact}) \ (2-1))$	// apply if
= $2 * ((Y \ \text{fact}) \ 1)$	// showed in class (Y fact) 1 = 1
= $2 * 1$	// apply *
= 2	

END SOLUTION

(e) Given: $\text{mul} = \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda x. (n \ (m \ x))$

Solve: $\text{mul} \ \bar{3} \ \bar{3}$

(f) Solve: $\text{add} \ \bar{8} \ \bar{1}$

Given: $\text{add} = \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda f. \lambda x. n \ f \ (m \ f \ x)$

BEGIN SOLUTION

shown for $\text{add} \ \bar{7} \ \bar{1}$

END SOLUTION

(g) $\text{IF } FALSE \text{ THEN } x \text{ ELSE } y = y$

Given:

$$\text{IF } a \text{ THEN } b \text{ ELSE } c = a \ b \ c$$

$$\text{TRUE} = \lambda x. \lambda y. x$$

Solve: $\text{add } \bar{7} \bar{1}$

Given: $\text{add} = \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda f. \lambda x. n f (m f x)$

$\text{add } \bar{7} \bar{1}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda f. \lambda x. n f (m f x)) \bar{7}. \bar{1} \\ &= \lambda f. \lambda x. \bar{7} f ((\lambda g. \lambda y. g y) f x) \\ &= \lambda f. \lambda x. \bar{7} f (f x) \\ &= \lambda f. \lambda x. ((\lambda g. \lambda y. g^7(y)) f) (f x) \\ &= \lambda f. \lambda x. (f^7(f x)) \\ &= \lambda f. \lambda x. (f^8(x)) \\ &= \bar{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{FALSE} = \lambda x. \lambda y. y$$

BEGIN SOLUTION

IF FALSE THEN x ELSE $y = y$. (to show)

Given: IF a THEN b ELSE $c = a b c$
TRUE = $\lambda x. \lambda y. x$
FALSE = $\lambda x. \lambda y. y$

IF FALSE THEN x ELSE y

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{FALSE } x \ y \\ &= (\lambda f. \lambda g. g) x \ y \\ &= y \\ &= \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

END SOLUTION

(h) Prove: add and mul are commutative

BEGIN SOLUTION

add

add $\bar{p} \bar{q}$ a

$$= (\lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda f. \lambda x. n f (m f x)) \bar{p} \bar{q}$$

$$= \lambda f \lambda x. \bar{p} f (\bar{q} f x)$$

$$= \lambda_f \lambda_x \cdot (\lambda_g \lambda_h g^p(h) f)(\bar{a}_f f x)$$

$$= \lambda_f \lambda_x \cdot f^p(\bar{q} f x)$$

$$= \lambda f \lambda x. f^p (\lambda g. \lambda h. g^q(h). f x))$$

$$= \lambda f \cdot \lambda x. \quad f^P (f^Q(x))$$

$$= f^{p+q}(x)$$

Similarly, we could arrive at $\text{add } \bar{q} \bar{p} = f^{q+p}(x)$

However, $f^{p+q}(x) = f^{q+p}(x)$

$$\therefore \text{add } \bar{p} \bar{q} = \text{add } \bar{q} \bar{p}$$

Thus, add is commutative.

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$$\text{mul } \bar{p} \bar{q} \rightarrow$$

$$= \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda x. (n(mx)) \bar{p} \bar{q}$$

$$= \lambda x. \bar{p} (\bar{q} x)$$

$$= \lambda x. \bar{p} ((\lambda g \lambda h. g^2(h)). x)$$

$$= \lambda x. \bar{p} (\lambda h. x^2(h))$$

$$= \lambda x. (\lambda f \lambda g. f^g g) (\lambda h. x^g(h))$$

$$= \lambda n. (\lambda g. (\lambda h. x^g(h))^p g)$$

$$= \lambda x \cdot (\lambda g \cdot (\lambda h \cdot x^q h)^{p-1} ((\lambda h \cdot x^q h) g))$$

$$= \lambda x. (\lambda g. (\lambda h. x^q h)^{p-1} (x^q g))$$

$$= \lambda x. (\lambda g. (\lambda h. x^2 h) P^{-2} ((\lambda h. x^2 g) (x^2 g))))$$

$$= \lambda x \cdot (\lambda g \cdot (\lambda h \cdot x^2 h)^{p-2} (x^{2q} g))$$

$$= \lambda x. (\lambda g. x^{p_2} g)$$

Similarly, we can show $\text{mul } \bar{q} \bar{p} = \lambda x. (\lambda h. x^{q.p} h)$
 $= \lambda x. (\lambda g. x^{q.p} g)$

Since $x^{pq} = x^{qp}$

$$\text{mul } \bar{p} \bar{q} = \text{mul } \bar{q} \bar{p}$$

Thus, mul is commutative.

END SOLUTION

Given:

$$mul = \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda x. (n (m x))$$

$$add = \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda f. \lambda x. n \ f \ (m \ f \ x)$$