Sample Report for Simple ML Example

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Abstract

The project brings together elements of functional programming in ML and documentation ins I^AT_EX. The purpose of this project is to lay the groundwork for credibility: results that are thoroughly documented and easily reproducible by independent third parties. We establish the documentation and programming infrastructure where each chapter documents a problem or exercise. Within each chapter are sections stating or showing:

- Problem statement
- Relevant code
- Test results

For each problem or exercise-oriented chapter in the main body of the report is a corresponding chapter in the Appendix containing the source code in ML. This source code is not pasted into the Appendix. Rather, it is input directly from the source code file itself. This means changes in source code are easily captured in the report by recompiling the report in LATEX.

We introduce the use of style files and packages. Specifically, we use:

- a style file for the course, 634format.sty,
- the *listings* package for displaying and inputting ML source code, and
- HOL style files and commands to display interactive ML/HOL sessions.

Finally, we show how to:

- easily generate a table of contents for the report, and
- refer to chapter and section labels in our report.

There are numerous LATEX tutorials on the web, for example, https://www.latex-tutorial.com, is very accessible for beginners.

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Executive Summary

All requirements for this project are satisfied. Specifically,

Report Contents

Our report has the following content:

Chapter 1: Executive Summary

Chapter 2: Sample Exercise Results

Section 2.1: Problem statement

Section 2.2: Relevant code

Section 2.3: Test results

Chapter A: Source Code for Sample Exercise

Reproducibility in ML and LATEX

Our ML and \LaTeX source files compile with no errors.

Sample Exercise

2.1 Problem Statement

2.1.1 Functions to implement

In this exercise we are to define in ML the following functions:

$$plus \ x \ y = x + y \tag{2.1}$$

$$times \ x \ y = x \times y \tag{2.2}$$

$$plus \ x \ y = x + y \tag{2.3}$$

$$times \ x \ y = x \times y \tag{2.4}$$

2.1.2 Test cases for plus

The required tests for *plus* are as follows.

```
(*\ Test\ Cases\ Specified\ in\ the\ requirements
plus 0 0;
plus 0 1;
plus 0 2;
plus 0 3;
plus 0 0;
plus 1 0;
plus 2 0;
plus 3 0;
plus 1 0;
plus 1 1;
plus 1 2;
plus 1 3;
plus 0 1;
plus 1 1;
plus 2 1;
plus 3 1;
```

2.1.3 Test cases for times

The required test cases for times are as follows.

```
(* Test Cases Specified in the requirements
              times 1 0;
times 1 1;
times 1 2;
times 1 3;
times 0 1;
times 1 1;
times 2 1;
times 3 1:
times 4 0;
times 4 1;
times 4 2;
times 4 3:
times 0 4;
times 1 4;
times 2 4;
times 3 4;
```

2.2 Relevant Code

The following code takes advantage of function definition using fun in ML, and currying, i.e., defining functions with multiple arguments as a sequence of functions. This supports partial evaluation.

```
fun plus x y = x + y;
fun times x y = x*y;
```

2.3 Test Results

Notice in what appears below, we split up the tests for printing clarity.

2.3.1 Test results for plus

```
> plus 0 0;
plus 0 1;
plus 0 2;
plus 0 3;
val it = 0: int
> val it = 1: int
> val it = 2: int
> val it = 3: int
```

```
plus 0 0;
plus 1 0;
plus 2 0;
plus 3 0;
> val it = 0: int
> val it = 1: int
> val it = 2: int
> val it = 3: int
```

```
plus 1 0;
plus 1 1;
plus 1 2;
plus 1 2;
plus 1 3;
> val it = 1: int
> val it = 2: int
> val it = 3: int
> val it = 4: int
```

2.3.2 Tests results for times

```
>>> val plus = fn: int -> int -> int

>> val times = fn: int -> int -> int

>>>> plus 0 0;

plus 0 1;

plus 0 2;

plus 0 3;

val it = 0: int

> val it = 1: int

> val it = 2: int

> val it = 3: int
```

```
> times 1 0;
times 1 1;
times 1 2;
times 1 3;
val it = 0: int
> val it = 1: int
> val it = 2: int
> val it = 3: int
```

```
>
times 0 1;
times 1 1;
times 2 1;
times 3 1;
> val it = 0: int
> val it = 1: int
> val it = 2: int
> val it = 3: int
```

Source Code for Sample Exercise

```
The following code is from simple.sml
(* Author: Shiu-Kai Chin
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(**********************************
fun plus x y = x + y;
fun times x y = x*y;
(* Test Cases Specified in the requirements
plus 0 0;
plus 0 1;
plus 0 2;
plus 0 3;
plus 0 0;
plus 1 0;
plus 2 0;
plus 3 0;
plus 1 0;
plus 1 1;
plus 1 2;
plus 1 3;
plus 0 1;
plus 1 1;
plus 2 1;
plus 3 1;
(* Test Cases Specified in the requirements
times 1 0:
times 1 1;
times 1 2;
times 1 3;
```

- times 0 1;
- times 1 1;
- times 2 1;
- times 3 1;
- times 4 0;
- times 4 1;
- times 4 2;
- times 4 3;
- times 0 4;
- times 1 4;
- times 2 4;
- times 3 4;