

# Programming Paradigms Fall 2022 — Problem Sets

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## 1 Problem set №1 (solutions)

1. For each of the following  $\lambda$ -terms write down an  $\alpha$ -equivalent term where all variables have different names:

(a)  $\lambda x.(\lambda y.x\ y)\ x$

**Solution.** In this term, none of the  $\lambda$ -abstractions introduces a name shadowing, so renaming is not necessary. Still, we could rename  $x \mapsto a$  and  $y \mapsto b$  to get  $\lambda a.(\lambda b.a\ b)\ a$ .

(b)  $\lambda x.(\lambda x.x)\ x$

**Solution.** In this term, nested  $\lambda$ -abstraction shadows outer  $x$  variable. We will rename inner variable  $x \mapsto y$  to get  $\lambda x.(\lambda y.y)\ x$

(c)  $\lambda x.\lambda y.x\ y$

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(d)  $\lambda x.x\ (\lambda x.x)$

**Solution.** In this term, nested  $\lambda$ -abstraction shadows outer  $x$  variable. We will rename inner variable  $x \mapsto y$  to get  $\lambda x.x\ (\lambda y.y)$

(e)  $\lambda x.(\lambda x.x)\ x$

**Solution.** Accidentally, this is exactly the same as (b).

(f)  $(\lambda x.\lambda y.y)\ z\ x$

**Solution.** In this term,  $\lambda$ -abstraction  $\lambda x.$  shadows free variable  $x$ . We will rename the bound variable  $x \mapsto w$  to get  $(\lambda w.\lambda y.y)\ z\ x$ . Note that free variables  $z$  and  $x$  cannot be renamed (only bound variables can be renamed).

2. Write down evaluation sequence for the following  $\lambda$ -terms:

(a)  $(\lambda x. \lambda y. x) y z$

**Solution.** Note that we need to rename bound variable  $y$  before we can proceed with  $\beta$ -reduction:

$$(\lambda x. \lambda y. x) y z \quad (1)$$

$$\stackrel{\alpha}{=} (\lambda x. \lambda b. x) y z \quad (2)$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda b. y) z \quad (3)$$

$$\mapsto y \quad (4)$$

(b)  $(\lambda x. \lambda y. x) (\lambda z. y) z w$

**Solution.** Note that we need to rename bound variable  $y$  before we can proceed with  $\beta$ -reduction (because  $y \in FV(\lambda z. y)$ ):

$$(\lambda x. \lambda y. x) (\lambda z. y) z w \quad (5)$$

$$\stackrel{\alpha}{=} (\lambda x. \lambda b. x) (\lambda z. y) z w \quad (6)$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda b. (\lambda z. y)) z w \quad (7)$$

$$\stackrel{\alpha}{=} (\lambda b. (\lambda c. y)) z w \quad (8)$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda c. y) w \quad (9)$$

$$\mapsto y \quad (10)$$

$$(11)$$

(c)  $(\lambda b. \lambda f. \lambda t. b t f) (\lambda f. \lambda t. t)$

**Solution.**

$$(\lambda b. \lambda f. \lambda t. b t f) (\lambda f. \lambda t. t) \quad (12)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f. \lambda t. (\lambda f. \lambda t. t) t f \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \quad (13)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f. \lambda t. (\lambda t. t) f \quad (14)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f. \lambda t. f \quad (\text{full } \beta\text{-reduction stops here}) \quad (15)$$

(d)  $(\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (\lambda f.\lambda t.t)$

**Solution.** First, let us introduce the following aliases:

$$A = \lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)$$

$$B = \lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f$$

$$C = \lambda f.\lambda t.t$$

Notice that all these subterms are closed, which means that substituting them into the bodies of  $\lambda$ -abstractions will not cause a name conflict, when passing any of these as argument (so renaming is not necessary). Now, we can write the given term more compactly:

$$(\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (\lambda f.\lambda t.t) \tag{16}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) B C \tag{17}$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda z.B (B z)) C \tag{18}$$

$$\mapsto B (B C) \tag{19}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (B C) \tag{20}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f.\lambda t.(B C) t f \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \tag{21}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f.\lambda t.((\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) C) t f \tag{22}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f.\lambda t.(\lambda f.\lambda t.C t f) t f \tag{23}$$

$$\stackrel{\alpha}{=} \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda f_2.\lambda t_2.C t_2 f_2) t_1 f_1 \tag{24}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda t_2.C t_2 t_1) f_1 \tag{25}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.C f_1 t_1 \tag{26}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda f.\lambda t.t) f_1 t_1 \tag{27}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda t.t) t_1 \tag{28}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.t_1 \quad (\text{full } \beta\text{-reduction stops here}) \tag{29}$$

(e)  $(\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (\lambda f.\lambda t.t)$

**Solution.** First, let us introduce the following aliases:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z) \\ B &= \lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f \\ C &= \lambda f.\lambda t.t \end{aligned}$$

Notice that all these subterms are closed, which means that substituting them into the bodies of  $\lambda$ -abstractions will not cause a name conflict, when passing any of these as argument (so renaming is not necessary). Now, we can write the given term more compactly:

$$(\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (\lambda f.\lambda t.t) \quad (30)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) A B C \quad (31)$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda z.A (A z)) B C \quad (32)$$

$$\mapsto A (A B) C \quad (33)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) (A B) C \quad (34)$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda z.(A B) ((A B) z)) C \quad (35)$$

$$\mapsto (A B) ((A B) C) \quad (36)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ((\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)) B) (A B C) \quad (37)$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda z.B (B z)) (A B C) \quad (38)$$

$$\mapsto B (B (A B C)) \quad (39)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (B (A B C)) \quad (40)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f.\lambda t.(B (A B C)) t f \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \quad (41)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f.\lambda t.((\lambda b.\lambda f.\lambda t.b t f) (A B C)) t f \quad (42)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f.\lambda t.(\lambda f.\lambda t.(A B C) t f) t f \quad (43)$$

$$\stackrel{\alpha}{=} \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda f_2.\lambda t_2.(A B C) t_2 f_2) t_1 f_1 \quad (44)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda t_2.(A B C) t_2 t_1) f_1 \quad (45)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(A B C) f_1 t_1 \quad (46)$$

$$\stackrel{\alpha}{=} \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(A B C) f_1 t_1 \quad (47)$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda f_3.\lambda t_3.t_3) f_1 t_1 \quad (\text{from exercise 2d}) \quad (48)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.(\lambda t_3.t_3) t_1 \quad (49)$$

$$\mapsto \lambda f_1.\lambda t_1.t_1 \quad (\text{full } \beta\text{-reduction stops here}) \quad (50)$$

3. Recall that with Church booleans we have the following encoding:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tru} &= \lambda t. \lambda f. t \\ \text{fls} &= \lambda t. \lambda f. f\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Using only bare  $\lambda$ -calculus (variables,  $\lambda$ -abstraction and application), write down a  $\lambda$ -term for logical implication **implies** of two Church booleans.

**Solution.** Recall that “ $A$  implies  $B$ ” is true when  $B$  is true or  $A$  is false. We can encode that as “if  $A$  then  $B$  else **tru**”. Recall definition of **test** from the lab:

$$\text{test} = \lambda c. \lambda t. \lambda f. c \ t \ f$$

With these definitions, we can now define **implies** as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{implies} &= \lambda a. \lambda b. \text{test } a \ b \ \text{tru} \\ &= \lambda a. \lambda b. (\lambda c. \lambda t. \lambda f. c \ t \ f) \ a \ b \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t)\end{aligned}$$

Note, that  $\text{test } a \ b \ \text{tru} \mapsto^* a \ b \ \text{tru}$ , so we can simplify our definition slightly. Unfolding definition of **tru** we get

$$\text{implies}' = \lambda a. \lambda b. a \ b \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t)$$

- (b) Verify your implementation of **implies** by writing down evaluation sequence for the term **implies fls tru**.

**Solution.**

$$\text{implies fls tru} \tag{51}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda a. \lambda b. (\lambda c. \lambda t. \lambda f. c \ t \ f) \ a \ b \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t)) \ \text{fls} \ \text{tru} \tag{52}$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda b. (\lambda c. \lambda t. \lambda f. c \ t \ f) \ \text{fls} \ b \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t)) \ \text{tru} \tag{53}$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda c. \lambda t. \lambda f. c \ t \ f) \ \text{fls} \ \text{tru} \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t) \tag{54}$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda t. \lambda f. \text{fls } t \ f) \ \text{tru} \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t) \tag{55}$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda f. \text{fls} \ \text{tru} \ f) \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t) \tag{56}$$

$$\mapsto \text{fls} \ \text{tru} \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t) \tag{57}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda t. \lambda f. f) \ \text{tru} \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t) \tag{58}$$

$$\mapsto (\lambda f. f) \ (\lambda t. \lambda f. t) \tag{59}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda t. \lambda f. t \tag{60}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{tru} \tag{61}$$

4. Recall that with Church numerals we have the following encoding:

$$\begin{aligned}c_0 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. z \\c_1 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. s z \\c_2 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. s (s z) \\c_3 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. s (s (s z)) \\&\dots\end{aligned}$$

(a) Using only bare  $\lambda$ -calculus (variables,  $\lambda$ -abstraction and application), write down a single  $\lambda$ -term for each of the following functions on natural numbers:

- i.  $n \mapsto 2n + 1$
- ii.  $n \mapsto n^2 + 1$
- iii.  $n \mapsto 2^n + 1$
- iv.  $n \mapsto 2^{n+1}$

**Solution.** Recall definitions from lab:

$$\begin{aligned}c_0 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. z \\c_1 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. s z \\c_2 &= \lambda s. \lambda z. s (s z) \\inc &= \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s (n s z) \\plus &= \lambda n. \lambda m. \lambda s. \lambda z. m s (n s z) \\times &= \lambda n. \lambda m. n (plus m) c_0\end{aligned}$$

Similarly to **times**, we define exponentiation:

$$exp = \lambda n. \lambda m. m (\times n) c_1$$

With these definitions we define the required functions as follows

$$\begin{aligned}f_i &= \lambda n. inc (times c_2 n) \\f_{ii} &= \lambda n. inc (times n n) \\f_{iii} &= \lambda n. inc (exp c_2 n) \\f_{iv} &= \lambda n. inc (exp c_2 (inc n))\end{aligned}$$

Note, that by unfolding definitions and applying  $\eta$ -equivalence ( $\lambda x. f x =_\eta f$ ), we could, theoretically, achieve smaller definitions:

$$\begin{aligned}f'_i &= \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s (n s (n s z)) \\f'_{ii} &= \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s (n (n s) z) \\f'_{iii} &= \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s (n c_2 s z) \\f'_{iv} &= \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s (n c_2 s (n c_2 s z))\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Verify each one of your implementations of the functions above by writing down evaluation sequence for each of them, when applied to  $c_2$

**Solution.**

$$f_i \ c_2 \tag{62}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \text{inc} \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ n)) \ c_2 \tag{63}$$

$$\mapsto \text{inc} \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2) \tag{64}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (n \ s \ z)) \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2) \tag{65}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \tag{66}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (c_4 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2 \mapsto^* c_4) \tag{67}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda s_2. \lambda z_2. s_2 \ (s_2 \ (s_2 \ z_2)))) \ s \ z) \tag{68}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda z_2. s \ (s \ (s \ z_2)))) \ z) \tag{69}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ z))) \tag{70}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} c_5 \tag{71}$$

$$f_{ii} \ c_2 \tag{72}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \text{inc} \ (\text{times} \ n \ n)) \ c_2 \tag{73}$$

$$\mapsto \text{inc} \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2) \quad (\text{from here it goes exactly like in } f_i \ c_2) \tag{74}$$

$$\tag{75}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (n \ s \ z)) \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2) \tag{76}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \tag{77}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (c_4 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times} \ c_2 \ c_2 \mapsto^* c_4) \tag{78}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda s_2. \lambda z_2. s_2 \ (s_2 \ (s_2 \ z_2)))) \ s \ z) \tag{79}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda z_2. s \ (s \ (s \ z_2)))) \ z) \tag{80}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ z))) \tag{81}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} c_5 \tag{82}$$

$$f_{iii} \ c_2 \tag{83}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \text{inc} (\text{exp } c_2 \ n)) \ c_2 \tag{84}$$

$$\mapsto \text{inc} (\text{exp } c_2 \ c_2) \tag{85}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (n \ s \ z)) \ (\text{exp } c_2 \ c_2) \tag{86}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{exp } c_2 \ c_2 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \tag{87}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda n. \lambda m. m \ (\text{times } n) \ c_1) \ c_2 \ c_2 \ s \ z) \tag{88}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda m. m \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1) \ c_2 \ s \ z) \tag{89}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (c_2 \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{90}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda s_2. \lambda z_2. s_2 \ (s_2 \ z_2)) \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{91}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda z_2. (\text{times } c_2) \ (\text{times } c_2 \ z_2)) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{92}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\text{times } c_2) \ (\text{times } c_2 \ c_1) \ s \ z) \tag{93}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{times } c_2 \ c_2 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times } c_2 \ c_1 \mapsto^* c_2) \tag{94}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (c_4 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times } c_2 \ c_2 \mapsto^* c_4) \tag{95}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda s_2. \lambda z_2. s_2 \ (s_2 \ (s_2 \ z_2)))) \ s \ z) \tag{96}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda z_2. s \ (s \ (s \ z_2)))) \ z) \tag{97}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ z)))) \tag{98}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} c_5 \tag{99}$$

$$f_{iv} \ c_2 \tag{100}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \text{inc} (\text{exp } c_2 \ (\text{inc } n))) \ c_2 \tag{101}$$

$$\mapsto \text{inc} (\text{exp } c_2 \ (\text{inc } c_2)) \tag{102}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (n \ s \ z)) \ (\text{exp } c_2 \ (\text{inc } c_2)) \tag{103}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{exp } c_2 \ (\text{inc } c_2) \ s \ z) \quad (\text{call-by-value and call-by-name stop here}) \tag{104}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda n. \lambda m. m \ (\text{times } n) \ c_1) \ c_2 \ (\text{inc } c_2) \ s \ z) \tag{105}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda m. m \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1) \ (\text{inc } c_2) \ s \ z) \tag{106}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{inc } c_2 \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{107}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (c_3 \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{108}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda s_2. \lambda z_2. s_2 \ (s_2 \ (s_2 \ z_2))) \ (\text{times } c_2) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{109}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ ((\lambda z_2. (\text{times } c_2) \ ((\text{times } c_2) \ (\text{times } c_2 \ z_2))) \ c_1 \ s \ z) \tag{110}$$

$$\mapsto \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{times } c_2 \ ((\text{times } c_2) \ (\text{times } c_2 \ c_1)) \ s \ z) \tag{111}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{times } c_2 \ (\text{times } c_2 \ c_2) \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times } c_2 \ c_1 \mapsto^* c_2) \tag{112}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (\text{times } c_2 \ c_4 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times } c_2 \ c_2 \mapsto^* c_4) \tag{113}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (c_8 \ s \ z) \quad (\text{since } \text{times } c_2 \ c_4 \mapsto^* c_8) \tag{114}$$

$$\mapsto^* \lambda s. \lambda z. s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ (s \ z))))))) \tag{115}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} c_9 \tag{116}$$