CSE216 Programming Abstraction

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- You may hope to find a good Master/Phd graduate school
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 - 1. Programming Languages & Software Security E-BOSS Program: https://www.darpa.mil/program/enhanced-sbom-for-optimized-software-sustainment
 - 2. Programming Languages & Machine Learning TRACTOR Program: https:// www.darpa.mil/program/translating-all-c-to-rust
- Together with you, we hope to produce great research work to make your resume shine
- Method 1. U3/U4 -> CSE487: Get credits, but can only do twice
- Method 2. Master -> RA: Get paid
- Prerequisite: Strong motivation, math/programming; CSE216 A-ish

Review

Lambda calculus

- (λ x.x) a
- (λ x.y) a
- (λ x.xy) a
- (λ x. yx) a
- (λ x. xx) a
- (λ x. yy) a

- (λ x.x) a b
- (λ x.y) a b
- (λ x.xy) a b
- (λ x. yx) a b
- (λ x. xx) a b
- (λ x. yy) a b

- (λ x.x) λ a. b
- (λ x.y) λ a. b
- (λ x.xy) λ a. b
- (λ x. yx) λ a. b
- (λ x. xx) λ a. b
- (λ x. yy) λ a. b

- (λ x.x) x
- (λ x.y) x
- (λ x.xy) x
- (λ x. yx) x
- (λ x. xx) x
- (λ x. yy) x

- (λ x.x) x y
- (λ x.y) x y
- (λ x.xy) x y
- (λ x. yx) x y
- (λ x. xx) x y
- (λ x. yy) x y

(λz.z) (λz.z z) (λz.z q)

(λs.λq.s q q) (λa.a) b

(λs.λq.s q q) (λq.q) q

((λs.s s) (λq.q)) (λq.q)

(λ x.λy.x) x y

(λ x. λ y. λ z. y (w y x)) λ s. λ z. z

Exercises: Context-Free Grammar

Given the grammar ${\cal G}$ with the following productions:

- ullet S o aSb
- $S
 ightarrow \epsilon$

Determine the language L(G) generated by G.

Given the grammar G with the productions:

- ullet S
 ightarrow aSa
- ullet S o bSb
- $S
 ightarrow \epsilon$

What is the language L(G)?

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Consider the grammar G defined as:

•
$$S o Sb$$

$$oldsymbol{\cdot} S
ightarrow \epsilon$$

Define the language L(G).

2. Find a word that does not belong to L(G)

Create a grammar that generates the language of all strings of the form:

 a language containing only the words "dog", "cat", and "fish".

Create a grammar that generates the language of all strings of the form:

• "a^n", where $n \ge 0$.

Create a grammar that generates the language of all strings of the form:

• "a^n b^m", where n, $m \ge 0$.

Create a grammar that generates the language of all strings of the form:

• "a^n b^n", where $n \ge 0$.

Create a grammar that generates the language of all strings of the form:

• all strings over {a, b} that start with 'a' and end with 'b'.

Ocaml

- Make sure you have no problem solving #1-#10 in 99 problems:
 - https://v2.ocaml.org/learn/tutorials/99problems.html

A harder one

Some programming languages (like Python) allow us to quickly *slice* a list based on two integers i and j, to return the sublist from index i (inclusive) and j (not inclusive). We want such a slicing function in OCaml as well.

Write a function slice as follows: given a list and two indices, i and j, extract the slice of the list containing the elements from the ith (inclusive) to the jth (not inclusive) positions in the original list.

```
# slice ["a";"b";"c";"d";"e";"f";"g";"h"] 2 6;;
- : string list = ["c"; "d"; "e"; "f"]
```

Invalid index arguments should be handled *gracefully*. For example,

```
# slice ["a";"b";"c";"d";"e";"f";"g";"h"] 3 2;;
- : string list = []
# slice ["a";"b";"c";"d";"e";"f";"g";"h"] 3 20;
- : string list = ["d";"e";"f";"g";"h"];
```

You do not, however, need to worry about handling negative indices.

Some Ocaml mock questions

(9) A *predicate* is a function that returns a boolean value. In OCaml, the type of such a function can be expressed as 'a -> bool. Write a function remove_if: 'a list -> ('a -> bool) -> 'a list, which takes a list and a predicate, and removes all the elements that satisfy the predicate. Below is an example.

```
# remove_if [1;2;3;4;5] (fun x -> x mod 2 = 1);;
- : int list = [2; 4]
```

(10) Find the last two elements of a list. last_two: 'a list -> ('a * 'a) Option. Below are two examples.

```
# last_two ["a"; "b"; "c"; "d"];;
- : (string * string) option = Some ("c", "d")
# last_two ["a"];;
- : (string * string) option = None
```

Problem 4. Ocaml Application (points = 15)

Given the definition of a binary tree:

```
type 'a btree =
  | Empty
  | Node of 'a * 'a btree * 'a btree
```

(1) Implement a function height: 'a btree -> int that takes a binary tree and returns its height. The height of a binary tree is defined as the length of the longest path from the root to a leaf. An empty tree has height 0, and a tree with one node has height 1. For example, given the following tree:

```
let mytree = Node (1, Node (2, Empty, Empty), Node (3, Node (4, Empty,
Empty), Empty))
```

The function height mytree should return 3. The tree looks like:

```
1
/\
2 3
/
4
```

(2) ** Implement a function is_balanced : 'a btree -> bool that checks whether a binary tree is balanced. A binary tree is balanced if it is Empty, or the height of the two subtrees of every node differ less than or equal to one. For example, given the following tree:

```
let mytree2 = Node (1, Node (2, Node (3, Empty, Empty), Empty)
```

The function is_balanced mytree should return true, while is_balanced mytree2 should return false. The tree looks like:

```
1
/
2
/
3
```

You can use the built-in function abs in this question.