

## CS52 - Assignment 6

Due Monday 3/28 at 11:59pm



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Your work for this assignment is to be submitted on paper.<sup>1</sup> *Please write legibly.* I strongly encourage you to figure out your proves on a piece of scratch paper first and then write them a second time, neatly, for your final submission.

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<sup>1</sup>For those of you who would like to use  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , I have included a source file if you'd like to utilize it, though you do not have to.

## Some “Facts”

You may use the following definitions and facts in your proofs below. Please refer to them by number to justify your proofs, e.g. “by Fact 1”.

1. `[]@v1 = v1`
2. `u1@[] = u1`
3. `(u1@v1)@w1 = u1@(v1@w1)`
4. `[u]@us = u::us`
5. `nrev [] = []`  
`nrev (u::us) = (nrev us) @ [u]`
6. `revApp u1 [] = u1`  
`revApp u1 (v::vs) = revApp (v::u1) vs`

## The Proof is in the Pudding

1. [2 points] Multiples of fun

- (a) [1 point] Suppose that we evaluate the degree  $k$  polynomial  $p_0 + p_1X + p_2X^2 + \dots + p_kX^k$  using a “brute-force” approach by taking every possible opportunity to multiply. For example, for  $k = 3$ , we would compute

$$p_0 + p_1 \cdot X + p_2 \cdot X \cdot X + p_3 \cdot X \cdot X \cdot X,$$

so that there would be a total of 6 multiplications.

In terms of  $k$ , how many multiplications would be required to evaluate a  $k$ -degree polynomial using the brute-force method? Give an informal justification; a proof is not necessary.

- (b) [1 point] We saw Horner’s method on assignment 2. It is a recursive technique for evaluating polynomials. As above, no multiplications are required for a zero-degree polynomial. For a  $k$ -degree polynomial with  $k > 0$ , we write

$$p_0 + X \cdot \underbrace{\left( p_1 + p_2X + \dots + p_kX^{k-1} \right)}_{(k-1)\text{-degree polynomial}}.$$

How many multiplications are required when using Horner’s method to evaluate a  $k$ -degree polynomial? Again, just give an informal justification.

2. [4 points] Prove, by list induction on `v1`, that `revApp u1 v1 = (nrev v1) @ u1`.

Notice the special case of this result, that `revApp [] v1 = nrev v1`, proves that our two implementations of `rev` really do compute the same results.

3. [4 points] Induction into the hall of fun

- (a) [1.5 points] We want to count the number of times the operator `::` is used when `nrev` reverses a list of length  $k$ .

Write a recursive relation called `nCons` (like  $count_0(k)$  and  $count_1(k)$  that we did in class for `uniquify` variants) for this number as a function of  $k$ .

Clarification: You are to count the number of times that `::` is used to construct a list, and *not* the times that the operator appears in the pattern-matching on the left of the equals signs in the definition. You may use without proof the fact that the number of `::` operations used in computing `u!@v!l` is exactly the length of `u!l`. Do not forget that `[u]` is an abbreviation for `u :: []`.

- (b) [2.5 points] Prove that  $nCons(k) = (k + 1)k/2$ .

4. [4 points] Induction cookware should not be used for proofs

- (a) [1.5 points] Write a recurrence relation called `raCons` for the number of `::` operations used in computing `revApp u!l v!l` with respect to  $k$ , the length of `v!l`.

- (b) [2.5 points] Prove that  $raCons(k) = k$ .

5. [4 points] Binary induction

Suppose that  $b$  is a positive integer, and  $e$ , when written out in binary, is a  $k$ -bit number.

- (a) [1.5 points] What is the maximum number of multiplications required to compute  $b^e$  when  $b^e$  is computed by the formula below? Express the result in terms of  $k$ , *not*  $e$ . Give an informal justification; a proof is not necessary.

$$b^e = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } e = 0, \text{ and} \\ b \cdot b^{e-1} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (b) [1.5 points] Again in terms of  $k$ , what is the maximum number of multiplications required to compute  $b^e$  when  $b^e$  is computed using the alternative formula below? Give an informal justification; a proof is not necessary. (We will use this formula when we return to `cs52Int` in a future assignment.)

$$b^e = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } e = 0, \\ \text{square}(b^{e/2}) & \text{if } 1 < e \text{ and } e \text{ is even, and} \\ b \cdot \text{square}(b^{e/2}) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Here,  $e/2$  is integer division, with truncation. In binary, it amounts to removing the least significant bit, so that  $e/2$  is exactly one bit shorter than  $e$ . The square function requires one multiplication.

- (c) [1 point] Assume that  $e$  is a 100-bit number and that a computer can do  $10^{11}$  multiplications a second. (That is fast, but not unreasonable, for the current crop of computers.) For each of the two techniques from part a and part b, estimate how long it would take to compute  $b^e$ ?

It will be helpful to use the approximation  $2^{10} \approx 10^3$  (remember the party trick?). Also, one year is about  $3 \cdot 10^7$  seconds.

6. [4 points] Consider the following SML definition of binary trees and an associated “reflection” function.

```
datatype 'a binTree =  
  Empty  
  | Node of 'a binTree * 'a * 'a binTree;  
  
fun mirror Empty = Empty  
  | mirror (Node (lt, g, rt)) =  
    Node (mirror rt, g, mirror lt);
```

Prove by induction on the datatype `binTree` that  
`mirror (mirror onTheWall) = onTheWall`.

## When you're done

- Make sure your name and assignment number are at the top of the paper.
- Make sure that each problem is clearly denoted.
- Make sure that your handwriting, etc. is *very clear*. If a particular problem is very messy please rewrite it on a separate sheet of paper more clearly.
- For each induction proof make sure you have followed *exactly* the induction format discussed in class.
- Make sure that you justify every step in your proofs.

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