

# Schedule

## SCHEDULE

w	date	topic
7	November 25	introduction
8	December 2	higher-order functions, lists, trees
9	December 9	graphs, combinatorics
10	December 16	program reasoning
11	January 13	$\lambda$ and interpreter
12	January 20	type system
13	January 27	exam part 2

## CONTENTS

1. eval
2.  $\lambda$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\delta$ , core ML
3. let rec
4. eval

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# Evaluator

# Evaluator for Arithmetic

$e ::= c \mid x \mid e + e \mid e - e$

```
type e =                                     (* expression *)
| Const of int
| Var of string
| Add of e * e
| Sub of e * e

type value = int                            (* semantical value *)
type env = (string * value) list           (* environment *)
exception Unbound of string
```

## EXERCISE

```
# lookup [("x", 10); ("y",2)] "y"
- : int = 2
# eval [("x",10)] (Sub (Var "x", Const 1));;
- : int = 9
```

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```
let lookup env x =
let rec eval env =
| Const n -> n
| Var x -> lookup env x
| Add (e1, e2) ->
| Sub (e1, e2) ->
```

# $\lambda$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , core ML

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## $\lambda$ -calculus

$e ::= \text{c}$	constant	$  c + c$
$  x$	variable	$  c - c$
$  e e$	application	$  \text{List.map } c c$
$  \text{fun } x \rightarrow e$	$\lambda$ abstraction	$  \text{List.filter } c c$
$  \text{let } x = c \text{ in } e$	definition	$  \dots$
$  \text{let rec } x = c \text{ in } e$	recursive def.	
$  \text{if } c \text{ then } c \text{ else } c$	if expression	

too messy... which part is essential for computation?

core ML

$e ::= x   e e   \text{fun } x \rightarrow e$	$\lambda$ -calculus
$  c$	for primitives
$  \text{let } x \rightarrow e$	for polymorphism

$$e ::= c \mid x \mid e \ e \mid \text{fun } x \rightarrow e$$

$$v ::= c \mid \text{fun } x \rightarrow e$$

- ▶ OCaml program is expression without free-variables
- ▶ call by value strategy

**EXERCISE**

call by value strategy

- ▶  $(0 + (2 * 2)) - (3 + 4)$
- ▶  $(\text{fun } x \rightarrow 1) (1 + (4 * 3))$

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## Reductions

in call by value strategy distinguish two reductions

- ▶  $\beta$  reduces  $(\text{fun } x \rightarrow e) v$  (function application)
- ▶  $\delta$  reduces  $c v \dots v$  (primitive operation)

**EXAMPLE**

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow + x y)) 1 2 \\ \rightarrow_{\beta} & (\text{fun } y \rightarrow + 1 y) 2 \\ \rightarrow_{\beta} & + 1 2 \\ \rightarrow_{\delta} & 3 \end{aligned}$$

**REMARK**

$$\text{fun } x \rightarrow + 0 1$$

is irreducible in call by value strategy

## **Define Missing Parts**

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## **Fixed Point Combinators**

# Fixed Point Combinators

## PROBLEM

core ML does not contain `let rec`. how to implement recursion?

## SOLUTION

call-by-value Y-combinator

`let rec f = e1 in e2` is equivalent to `let f = fix (fun f → e1) in e2`

```
$ ocaml
# let fix =
  fun f -> (fun x -> f (fun y -> x x y))
              (fun x -> f (fun y -> x x y));;
```

This expression has type `'a -> 'b -> 'c`

but is here used with type `'a`

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# Fixed Point Combinator

```
$ ocaml -rectypes
# let fix =
  fun f -> (fun x -> f (fun y -> x x y))
              (fun x -> f (fun y -> x x y));;
val fix : (('a -> 'b) -> 'a -> 'b) -> 'a -> 'b = <fun>
```

## EXERCISE

do not use `let rec` but use `fix` to implement sum

```
# let rec sum =
  fun sum n -> if n = 0 then 0 else n + sum (n - 1) in
  sum 10;;
```

  

```
# let sum =
  fix (fun sum n -> if n = 0 then 0 else n + sum (n - 1))
in
  sum 10;;
- : int = 55
```

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# Evaluator

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## Values, Environments and Closures

### GOAL

`eval env e` returns value  $v$  such that  $e \rightarrow^* v$  in call by value strategy under  $env$

```
let rec eval env = function
| Const c          ->
| Var x           -> lookup env x
| Fun (x, e)       ->
| App (e1, e2)     ->
| Let (x, e1, e2) ->
```

# Environments

```
type env = (string * value) list

let rec eval env = function
| Const c          ->
| Var x           -> lookup env x
| Fun (x, e)       ->
| App (e1, e2)     ->
| Let (x, e1, e2) -> eval (extend env x (eval env e1)) e2
```

## PROBLEM

what is value?

eval [] (Const (Int 1)) = 1?  
eval [] (Const (Prim ("+", 2))) = ???  
eval [(x, 1)] (Fun (y, + x y)) = ???

## SOLUTION

introduce **closures** as well as values for constants

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# Values

```
type value = Constant of const * value list
            | Closure of string * expr * env
and env = (string * value) list

let rec eval env = function
| Const c          -> Constant (c, [])
| Var x           -> lookup env x
| Fun (x, e)       -> Closure (x, e, env)
| App (e1, e2)     ->
| Let (x, e1, e2) -> eval (extend env x (eval env e1)) e2
```

## PROBLEM

how to apply?

# Apply

```
type value = Constant of const * value list
           | Closure of string * expr * env
and env = (string * value) list

let rec eval env = function
| Const c          -> Constant (c, [])
| Var x           -> lookup env x
| Fun (x, e)       -> Closure (x, e, env)
| App (e1, e2)     -> apply (eval env e1) (eval env e2)
| Let (x, e1, e2) -> eval (extend env x (eval env e1)) e2
and apply v1 v2 =
```

## PROBLEM

how to apply?

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# Apply

$$v_1 \circ v_2 = \text{apply } v_1 \ v_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{eval} [] ((\text{fun } x \rightarrow \text{fun } y \rightarrow + \ x \ y) \ 1 \ 2) \\ &= \text{eval} [] ((\text{fun } x \rightarrow \text{fun } y \rightarrow + \ x \ y) \ 1) \circ \text{eval} [] \ 2 \\ &= (\text{eval} [] (\text{fun } x \rightarrow \text{fun } y \rightarrow + \ x \ y) \circ (\text{eval} [] \ 1)) \circ \ 2 \\ &= (\text{Closure}(x, \text{fun } y \rightarrow + \ x \ y, []) \circ \ 1) \circ \ 2 \\ &= \text{eval} [(x, 1)] (\text{fun } y \rightarrow + \ x \ y) \circ \ 2 \\ &= \text{eval} [(y, 2); (x, 1)] (+ \ x \ y) \\ &= \text{eval} [(y, 2); (x, 1)] (+ \ x) \circ \text{eval} [(y, 2); (x, 1)] \ y \\ &= (\text{eval} [(y, 2); (x, 1)] (+) \circ \text{eval} [(y, 2); (x, 1)] \ x) \circ \ 2 \\ &= (\text{Constant}(+, []) \circ \ 1) \circ \ 2 \\ &= \text{Constant}(+, [1]) \circ \ 2 \\ &= \delta(+, [1; 2]) \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$