

Functional Programming

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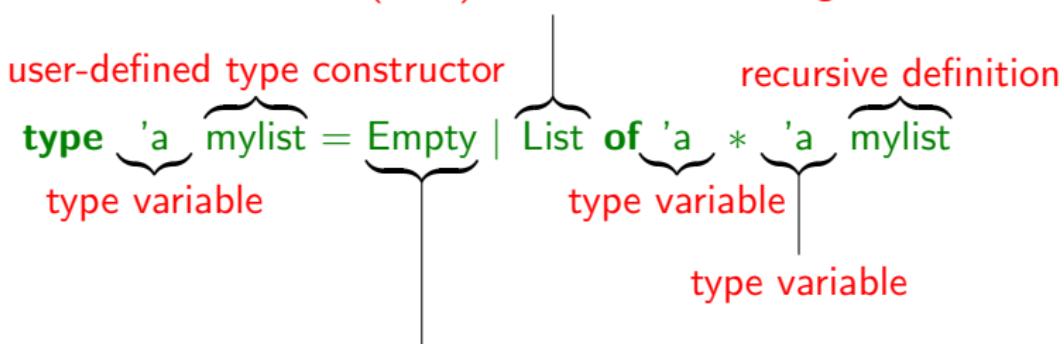
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User-defined Types

user-defined (data) constructor with argument



user-defined (data) constructor without argument

Recursion, Pattern Matching, and Currying

Recursion and Pattern Matching

```
let rec map (f, ls) = match ls with
| Empty -> Empty
| List (x, xs) -> List (f x, map (f, xs))
```

Currying

```
let rec map f ls = match ls with
| Empty -> Empty
| List (x, xs) -> List (f x, map f xs)
```

Syntactic Sugar

```
let rec map f = function
| Empty -> Empty
| List (x, xs) -> List (f x, map f xs)
```

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The Type of Lists

Polymorphic Lists

'[]' as syntactic sugar
 $\text{type } 'a \underbrace{\text{list}}_{\text{predefined type}} = \underbrace{\text{Nil}}_{\text{infix '::' as syntactic sugar}} \mid \underbrace{\text{Cons} 'a * 'a \text{ list}}_{\text{infix '::' as syntactic sugar}}$

Example

	type		type
[true; false]	bool list	[(3, 2); (4, 3)]	(int * int) list
[1;3;5;7]	int list	[]	'a list
['a'; 'b'; 'c']	char list	1::2::3::[]	int list
["hello"; "world"]	string list	'a'::['b']	char list

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Accessing List Elements - Selectors

```
let hd = function
| [] -> failwith "hd: empty list"
| x :: _ -> x
;;

```

```
let tl = function
| [] -> failwith "tl: empty list"
| _ :: xs -> xs
;;

```

A Polymorphic List Function

Example (Init)

```
let rec init i l = if i < 1 then [] else i :: init i (i - 1);;
```

- ▶ this function has type '*a* → int → 'a list
- ▶ hence it is polymorphic in *i*

```
init 'c' 2 → if 2 < 1 then [] else 'c' :: init 'c' (2 - 1)
              →+ 'c' :: init 'c' 1
              → 'c' :: if 1 < 1 then [] else 'c' :: init 'c' (1 - 1)
              →+ 'c' :: 'c' :: init 'c' 0
              → 'c' :: 'c' :: if 0 < 1 then [] else 'c' :: init 'c' (0 - 1)
              →+ ['c'; 'c']
```

Functions on Integer Lists

Example (Range, Sum, Prod)

```

let rec range m n =
  if m > n then
    []
  else
    m :: range (m + 1) n
;;
let rec sum = function
  | [] -> 0
  | x :: xs -> x + sum xs
;;
let rec prod = function
  | [] -> 1
  | x :: xs -> x * prod xs
;;

```

$\text{range } 1 \ 3 = [1; 2; 3]$
 $\text{range } 3 \ 2 = []$
 $\text{sum } [1; 2; 3] = 1 + 2 + 3$
 $\text{sum } [] = 0$
 $\text{prod } [1; 2; 3] = 1 * 2 * 3$
 $\text{prod } [] = 1$

$$\text{sum } (\text{range } 1 \ n) = \sum_{i=1}^n i$$

Higher-Order Functions

- ▶ functions taking functions as arguments

Example (Map)

```
let rec map f = function
| [] -> []
| x :: xs -> f x :: map f xs
;;
```

```
map succ [1; 2; 3] → succ 1 :: map succ [2; 3]
→ 2 :: map succ [2; 3]
→ 2 :: succ 2 :: map succ [3]
→ 2 :: 3 :: map succ [3]
→ 2 :: 3 :: succ 3 :: map succ []
→ 2 :: 3 :: 4 :: map succ []
→ 2 :: 3 :: 4 :: [] = [2; 3; 4]
```

Fold - A Very Expressive Function

```
let rec fold f b = function
| [] -> b
| x :: xs -> f x (fold f b xs)
```

```
sum ls = fold (+) 0 ls
prod ls = fold ( * ) 1 ls
```

$$\text{fold } f \text{ } b \text{ } [e_1; e_2; \dots; e_N] = f \text{ } e_1 \text{ } (f \text{ } e_2 \text{ } (f \text{ } e_3 \text{ } (\dots (f \text{ } e_N \text{ } b) \dots)))$$

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Structuring Code

Modules provide ...

- ▶ to split source code into several files
- ▶ separate namespaces for functions and types
- ▶ abstraction from concrete representations

Module Basics - Split Source Code

- ▶ for every module *Module* create **implementation** file *module.ml*
- ▶ code of each module goes into corresponding implementation file

Example

```
let hd = ...  
let tl = ...  
let rec init i l = ...  
let rec map f = ...  
let rec fold f b = ...
```

lst.ml

```
let rec range m n = ...  
let sum = ...  
let prod = ...
```

intLst.ml

Module Basics - Separate Namespaces

- ▶ refer to function *fun* from module *Module* by *Module.fun*
- ▶ no problem to have same function names in different modules

Example

Compute the greatest number that can be encoded in binary using n bits.

```
let pow2 n = IntLst.prod (Lst.init 2 n);;
let maxbin n =
  IntLst.sum (Lst.map pow2 (IntLst.range 0 (n - 1)))
;;
Format.printf "%i\n" (maxbin (read_int ()));;
```

maxbin.ml

Module Basics - Abstraction

- ▶ (optionally) create **interface** file *module.mli* for module *Module*
- ▶ **signature** (i.e., names and types) of module goes into corresponding interface file

Example

```
type 'a t
val empty : 'a t
val push : 'a -> 'a t -> 'a t
val pop : 'a t -> ('a * 'a t)
```

stck.mli

```
type 'a t = 'a list;;
let empty = [];;
let push e s = e :: s;;
let pop s = (Lst.hd s, Lst.tl s);;
```

stck.ml

```
type 'a t =
| Empty
| Full of 'a * 'a t
...
```

stck.ml