

Functional Programming

Exercises Week 7

(for November 21, 2008)

1. Read Section 5.5 and Chapter 6 of the lecture notes.
2. Reduce the λ -term `hd (cons I nil)` to WHNF using the leftmost outermost strategy.
3. Consider the infinite list of natural numbers `nats`, defined by

```
let rec from n = n :: from(n+1)
let nats      = from 0
```

Give the computation steps of `hd nats` using call-by-name. What happens using call-by-value?

4. Use the module `Lambda` from the archive of week 6 to reduce the term of Exercise 2 to WHNF.
5. Prove the following equation by induction over natural numbers:

$$x^{m+n} = x^m \cdot x^n$$

for all natural numbers m , n , and x .

6. Prove the following equation by structural induction over lists:

$$\text{rev}'(xs @ ys) = \text{rev}' ys @ \text{rev}' xs$$

where `rev'` and `@` are defined by

```
let rec (@) xs ys = match xs with []    -> ys
                        | x::xs -> x::(xs@ys)
```

```
let rec rev' = function []    -> []
                        | x::xs -> rev' xs @ [x]
```

and you may use the equations

$$xs @ [] = xs \tag{*}$$

$$(xs @ ys) @ zs = xs @ (ys @ zs) \tag{**}$$

(the corresponding proofs can be found in the lecture notes).

Remark: For the induction proofs, state the property you want to prove and the IH you are using.