CMSC 330: Organization of Programming Languages

OCaml Data Types

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Review: Fold

```
let rec fold_left f a l =
  match l with
  [ ] -> a
  | h::t -> fold_left f (f a h) t
```

```
let rec fold_right f l a =
  match l with
  [ ] -> a
  | h::t -> f h (fold_right f t a)
```

Review: Fold

```
fold_left (+) 0 [1;2;3]
fold_left (+) 1 [2;3]
fold_left (+) 3 [3]
fold_left (+) 6 []
6
```

```
fold_right (+) [1;2;3] 0
1 + (fold_right (+) [2;3] 0)
1 + (2 + (fold_right (+) [3] 0))
1 + (2 + (3 (fold_right (+) [] 0)))
1 + (2 + ( 3 + 0)) 1 + (2 + 3)
1 + 5
6
```

OCaml Data

- So far, we've seen the following kinds of data
  - Basic types (int, float, char, string)
  - Lists
    - One kind of data structure
    - A list is either [ ] or h::t, deconstructed with pattern matching
  - Tuples and Records
    - Let you collect data together in fixed-size pieces
  - Functions

- How can we build other data structures?
  - Building everything from lists and tuples is awkward

(User-Defined) Variants

```
type gen =
    |Int of int
    |Str of string;;

let ls = [Int 10; Str "alice”]

let print_gen lst =
  match lst with
    |Int i->Printf.printf “%d\n” i
    |Str s-> Printf.printf “%d\n” s

List.iter print_gen ls
```

Variants (full definition)

- Syntax
  - **`type t = C1 [of t1] | … | Cn [of tn]`**
  - the ***`Ci`*** are called constructors
- Evaluation
  - A constructor ***`Ci`*** is a value if it has no assoc. data
    - ***`Ci vi`*** is a value if it does
  - Destructing a value of type ***`t`*** is by pattern matching
    - patterns are constructors ***`Ci`*** with data components, if any
- Type Checking
  - ***`Ci [vi]`*** : ***`t`*** [if ***`vi`*** has type ***`ti`***]

Data Types: Variants with Data

```
type shape =
   Rect of float * float
 | Circle of float
```

```
let area s =
  match s with
       Rect (w, l) -> w *. l
     | Circle r -> r  *. r *. 3.14
;;
area (Rect (3.0, 4.0));; (* 12.0  *)
area (Circle 3.0);;      (* 28.26 *)
```

```
[Rect (3.0, 4.0) ; Circle 3.0]. (* shape list*)
```

Quiz 1

```
type foo = ((string list) * int) list
```

Which one of the following could match type **`foo`**?

A. `[("foo", "bar”, 5)]`
B. `[(["foo", "bar"],6)]`
C. `[([("foo", "bar")],8)]`
D. `[(["foo"; "bar"],7)]`

Quiz 1

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```

Which one of the following could match type **foo**?

A. `[("foo", "bar", 5)]` string * string * int) list
B. `[(["foo", "bar"],6)]` ((string*string) list*int) list
C. `[([("foo", "bar")],8)]` same as B
D. `[(["foo"; "bar"],7)]` (string list * int) list

Quiz 2: What does this evaluate to?

```
type num = Int of int | Float of float;;

let aux a =
  match a with
  | Int i -> i
  | Float j -> int_of_float j
;;

aux (Float 5.0);;
```

A. 5

B. 2

C. 5.0

D. Type Error

Quiz 2: What does this evaluate to?

```
type num = Int of int | Float of float;;

let aux a =
  match a with
  | Int i -> i
  | Float j -> int_of_float j
;;

aux (Float 5.0);;
```

A. 5

B. 2

C. 5.0

D. Type Error

Option Type

```
type optional_int =
   None
 | Some of int
```

```
let divide x y =
  if y != 0 then Some (x/y)
  else None


let string_of_opt o =
  match o with
    Some i -> string_of_int i
  | None -> "nothing"
```

- Comparing to Java: **`None`** is like **`null`**, while **`Some`** *i* is like an **`Integer(`***i***`)`** object

Polymorphic Option Type

```
type 'a option =
  Some of 'a
| None
```

```
let opthd l =
  match l with
    [] -> None
  | x::_ -> Some x
```

```
let p = opthd [];;      (* p = None *)
let q = opthd [1;2];;   (* q = Some 1 *)
let r = opthd ["a"];;   (* r = Some "a" *)
```

Quiz 3: What does this evaluate to?

```
let foo f = match f with
    None -> 42.0
  | Some n -> n +. 42.0
;;
foo 3.5;;
```

A. `45.5`

B. `42.0`

C. `Some 45.5`

D. Error

Quiz 3: What does this evaluate to?

```
let foo f = match f with
    None -> 42.0
  | Some n -> n +. 42.0
;;
foo 3.5;;   foo (Some 3.5)
```

A. `45.5`

B. `42.0`

C. `Some 45.5`

D. **Error**

Recursive Data Types: List

```
type 'a mylist =
   Nil
 | Cons of 'a * 'a mylist


let l = Cons (10, Cons (20, Cons (30, Nil)))

let rec len = function
   Nil -> 0
 | Cons (_, t) -> 1 + (len t)
```

Recursive Data Types: Binary Tree

```
type 'a tree =
    Leaf
  | Node 'a tree * 'a * 'a tree

let empty = Leaf
let t = Node(Leaf, 100, Node(Leaf,200,Leaf))


let rec sum t =
  match t with
    Leaf -> 0
   | Node(l,v,r)-> sum l + v + sum r
```

OCaml Exceptions

```
exception My_exception of int
let f n =
  if n > 0 then
    raise (My_exception n)
  else
    raise (Failure "foo")
let bar n =
  try
    f n
  with My_exception n ->
       Printf.printf "Caught %d\n" n
     | Failure s ->
       Printf.printf "Caught %s\n" s
```

OCaml Exceptions: Useful Examples

- **`failwith s`**: Raises exception Failure s (s is a string).
- **`Not_found`**: Exception raised by library functions if the object does not exist
- **`invalid_arg s`**: Raises exception Invalid_argument s

```
let div x y =
  if y = 0 then failwith "div by 0" else x/y;;

let lst =[(1,"alice");(2,"bob");(3,"cat")];;
let lookup key lst =
  try
    List.assoc key lst
  with
    Not_found -> "key does not exist"
```