

Functional Programming and Verification

Sheet 4

Tutorial Exercises

Exercise T4.1 Oxford Comma

Write a function `andList :: [String] -> String` that takes a list of words $[w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-1}, w_n]$ and returns the text „ w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-1} , and w_n “ (using a comma in front of the „and“¹). There are, however, exceptions for $n < 3$:

```
andList [] = ""
andList ["Ayize"] = "Ayize"
andList ["Bhekizizwe", "Gugu"] = "Bhekizizwe and Gugu"
andList ["Jabu", "Lwazi", "Nolwazi"] =
  "Jabu, Lwazi, and Nolwazi"
andList ["Phila", "Sihle", "Sizwe", "Zama"] =
  "Phila, Sihle, Sizwe, and Zama"
```

Exercise T4.2 Hello Type Constraints

Without using any list library functions (except the cons operator `(:)`), implement the following functions:

1. `lSub :: Num a => [a] -> [a]` takes a list $[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and returns the list $[x_1 - x_2, x_2 - x_3, \dots, x_{n-1} - x_n, x_n]$.
2. `noDupSnoc :: Eq a => [a] -> a -> [a]` takes a list $[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and an element y and returns the list $[x_1, \dots, x_n, y]$ if y is not already contained in the list; otherwise, it returns the input list.
3. `addAbsLt :: Num a => Ord a => [a] -> a -> a` that takes a list $[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and an element y and returns $\sum_{i \in \{i | x_i < y\}} |x_i|$.

Hint: use `abs` from the typeclass `Num` to compute the absolute value of a number.

Exercise T4.3 Accumulators

Again, *without* using any list library functions (except the cons operator `(:)`), implement the following functions using an accumulator based approach:

1. Rewrite the function `addAbsLt` from the previous exercise.
2. `maxAbs` takes a list xs and returns $\max\{|x| \mid x \in xs\}$ if xs is not empty and 0 otherwise.

¹ This is known as the „Oxford comma“ or „serial comma“ and is beloved by the MC Jr.

3. `countSigns` returns the number of negative, zero, and positive elements in a given list. For example,

```
countSigns [-1,0,0,-5,2,0] = (2,3,1)
```

Hint: use `signum` from the typeclass `Num` to compute the sign (-1, 0, or 1) of a number.

4. `ltAndGt` returns `True` for a given list `xs` and element `y` if and only if `xs` contains both an element less than and greater than `y` while iterating the list only once.
5. `uniqCount` takes a list, collapses all adjacent elements that are equal, and counts the number of collapsed elements. For example,

```
uniqCount [] = []
uniqCount [1,2,3] = [(1,1), (2,1), (3,1)]
uniqCount [1,2,2,1] = [(1,1), (2,2), (1,1)]
uniqCount [1,1,4,3,3] = [(1,2), (4,1), (3,2)]
```

Homework

You need to collect 4 out of 5 points (P) to pass this sheet.

Exercise H4.0

Get yourself a good cup of tea and check out the [Data.List library](#) for your favourite list functions, and the references for [Eq](#), [Num](#), and [Ord](#). You might also want to change your default search engine to [Hoogle](#) – a search engine for Haskell libraries.

Exercise H4.1 Kowalski, Text Analysis! [1–3: 1P, 4+5: 1P, 6–9: 1P, 10: 1P, 11: 1P]

The subsequent vocabulary analysis makes use of multisets, which, in contrast to sets, may contain the same element multiple times, e.g. the multiset $\{a, b, a\}$ contains a two times (we say that the *multiplicity* of a is two). A multiset of elements of type `a` is represented as a list `[(a, Int)]` of tuples where the second component of each tuple is the multiplicity of the element. Implement the following multiset operations:

1. `isMultiSet :: Eq a => [(a, Int)] -> Bool` is a predicate that checks whether its argument is a proper multiset in the sense that all multiplicities are greater than 0 and that there are no duplicates.
2. `toList :: [(a, Int)] -> [a]` converts a multiset into a list that contains n copies of each element e with multiplicity n .
3. `toSet :: Eq a => [(a, Int)] -> [a]` is similar to `toList` but also eliminates duplicates.
4. `toMultiSet :: Eq a => [a] -> [(a, Int)]` converts a list to a multiset.

5. `multiplicity :: Eq a => a -> [(a, Int)] -> Int` determines the multiplicity of an element in a multiset.

We can consider a multiset as an infinite vector (m_1, m_2, \dots) by assigning each `e :: a` a unique index i and letting m_i be the multiplicity of `e`. A possible measure for the similarity of two vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} is the cosine of the angle θ between them, which can be calculated as follows

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \circ \vec{b}}{\|\vec{a}\| \cdot \|\vec{b}\|},$$

where $\vec{a} \circ \vec{b}$ is the dot product of \vec{a} and \vec{b} and $\|\vec{a}\|$ is the euclidean norm of \vec{a} defined as $\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots}$ for $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots)$. Implement the following functions in order to calculate the similarity of two multisets:

6. `dotProduct :: Eq a => [(a, Int)] -> [(a, Int)] -> Int` computes the dot product between the vector representation of two multisets.
7. `euclidean :: Eq a => [(a, Int)] -> Float` calculates the euclidean norm of the vector representation of a multiset.
8. `cosine :: Eq a => [(a, Int)] -> [(a, Int)] -> Float` returns the cosine of the angle between two multisets. *Hint:* you can convert from `Int` to `Float` with the function `fromIntegral`.
9. Finally, implement the function `vocabSimilarity :: String -> String -> Float` that uses the multisets of the words occurring in two different texts to compare them with `cosine`:

```
vocabSimilarity "i am hungry" "hello hungry this is patrick"
>>> 0.2581989

vocabSimilarity "ask not what your country can do for you"
                "ask what you can do for your country"
>>> 0.9428091

vocabSimilarity "lorem ipsum dolor sit amet"
                "consectetur adipiscing elit"
>>> 0.0
```

We now turn our attention from text analysis to word analysis. In particular, we consider the edit distance between two words v and w which is the minimum number of character removals, insertions, or substitutions that have to be performed on v such that we arrive at w . In addition to the above operations, we also allow for the transposition of two adjacent characters, e.g. changing "Kowalksi" to "Kowalski" is one operation. Formally, the edit distance $d_{a,b}(|a|, |b|)$ between two strings a and b , where $|a|, |b|$ is the length of a, b , respectively, is defined recursively

as

$$d_{a,b}(i,j) = \min \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j = 0, \\ d_{a,b}(i-1,j) + 1 & \text{if } i > 0, \\ d_{a,b}(i,j-1) + 1 & \text{if } j > 0, \\ d_{a,b}(i-1,j-1) & \text{if } i,j > 0 \text{ and } a[i-1] = b[j-1] \\ d_{a,b}(i-1,j-1) + 1 & \text{if } i,j > 0 \text{ and } a[i-1] \neq b[j-1] \\ d_{a,b}(i-2,j-2) + 1 & \text{if } i,j > 1 \text{ and } a[i-1] = b[j-2] \text{ and } a[i-2] = b[j-1]. \end{cases}$$

The edit distance is useful for word processing as the permissible operations correspond to typical errors made by human typists. Your task is to implement a simple spell correction scheme using the following functions:

10. `editDistance :: Eq a => [a] -> [a] -> Int` computes the edit distance between two lists.
11. **(Competition)** Write a function

```
spellCorrect :: [String] -> [String] -> [[String]]
```

such that `spellCorrect d xs` returns a list of lists of those strings in the dictionary `d` whose `editDistance` is minimal for each `x` in `xs`. For example, using the `frequentWords` dictionary provided by the template, we have:

```
spellCorrect frequentWords ["iq", "fpv"]
>>> [ ["in", "is", "it", "if"], ["up", "for"] ]
```

For this week's competition, we are asking you to optimize your `spellCorrect` function for performance. As a first step, you might consider implementing `editDistance` using dynamic programming in order to avoid recomputing values of $d_{a,b}$.

Important: If you submit a competition exercise, you agree that we are allowed to publish your name as part of the competition on our website. If you just want to submit a competition exercise as part of your homework without taking part in the competition, you can just remove the `{-WETT-}`...`{-TTEW-}` comments of your submission.

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Functional well-typed and neat
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