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Exercise Sheet 3

Lambda Calculus

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## **Exercise 1 (Fixed-point Combinator)**

- Use a fixed-point combinator to compute the length of lists on the encoding given in the last tutorial.
- Find an easier solution for the encoding from the last homework.

### Exercise 2 (β-reduction on de Bruijn Preserves Substitution)

We consider an alternative representation of  $\lambda$ -terms that is due to de Bruijn. In this representation,  $\lambda$ -terms are defined according to the following grammar:

$$d ::= i \in \mathbb{N} \mid d_1 \ d_2 \mid \lambda \ d$$

Define substitution and  $\beta$ -reduction on de Bruijn terms.

Now restate Lemma 1.2.5 for de Bruijn terms and prove it:

$$s \to_{\beta} s' \implies s[u/x] \to_{\beta} s'[u/x]$$

### Homework 3 (Multiplication)

Define multiplication using fix and prove its correctness. You can assume that you are given a predecessor function pred such that:

- pred  $\underline{0} \rightarrow_{\beta}^* \underline{0}$
- pred (succ n)  $\rightarrow_{\beta}^* n$

#### Homework 4 (Efficient Substitution on de Bruijn)

We define a new lifting operator  $-\uparrow_{-}^{-}$ :

$$i \uparrow_l^n = \begin{cases} i, & \text{if } i < l \\ i+n, & \text{if } i \ge l \end{cases}$$
$$(d_1 \ d_2) \uparrow_l^n = d_1 \uparrow_l^n \ d_2 \uparrow_l^n$$
$$(\lambda \ d) \uparrow_l^n = \lambda \ d \uparrow_{l+1}^n$$

Use  $-\uparrow_-^-$  to define a more efficient version of substitution for de Bruijn terms that only applies lifting in the case that a variable is actually replaced by a term. Prove that t[s/0] yields the same result for both, your new version and the version from the tutorial. *Hint*: Find a suitable generalization first.

#### Homework 5 (Expanding Lets)

We have a language with let-expressions, i.e.:

$$t ::= v \mid t \mid t \mid \text{let } v = t \text{ in } t$$

Write a program which expands all let-expressions. The let-semantics are:

$$(let v = t_1 in t_2) = (\lambda v. t_2) t_1$$

If you want to use a language different from ML, Ocaml, Haskell, Java, and Python, please talk to the tutor first.