

# Programming Languages [Fall 2016] Test I

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## Instructions:

- 1) This test is 7 pages in length.
- 2) You have 75 minutes to complete and turn in this test.
- 3) Short-answer questions include a guideline for how many sentences to write. Respond in complete English sentences.
- 4) This test is closed books, notes, papers, friends, neighbors, etc.
- 5) Use the backs of pages in this test packet for scratch work. If you write more than a final answer in the area next to a question, circle your final answer.
- 6) Write and sign the following: "I pledge my Honor that I have not cheated, and will not cheat, on this test."

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1. [5 points]

What is a programming language? [1-2 sentences]

2. [5 points]

How does dynamic scoping work? [1-2 sentences]

3. [6 points]

Show how to rewrite any expression of the form  $(e_1; e_2; e_3; e_4)$  in ML, using only ML's syntax for defining and invoking anonymous functions.

4. [26 points]

For each of the following ML functions, write the function's type; if the function is ill typed, write "no type".

a)  $\text{fun } f \ x \ y \ z = \text{if true then (fn } x \Rightarrow \text{if } x < 1 \text{ then nil else nil) else (fn } x \Rightarrow [\text{true}]$ )

b)  $\text{fun } f \ x \ y \ z = x \ y \ z$

c)  $\text{fun } f \ x \ y \ z = y \ (y \ x)$

d)  $\text{fun } f \ x \ y \ z = y \ (y \ x) \ z$

e)  $\text{fun } f \ x \ y \ z = z \ y \ y \ x \ x$

f)  $\text{fun } f \ x \ y \ z = y \ (x \ (f \ x \ y \ x)) \ (f \ x \ y \ z)$

5. [15 points]

For the remainder of this test, you can assume that all uses of  $N$  refer to natural numbers (either zero or the successor of a natural number), so none of your solutions need to contain explicit judgments of the form  $N \text{ nat}$ .

a) Define inference rules for multiplication. The judgment form is  $N_1 \times N_2 = N_3$ . Assume that rules for addition,  $N_1 + N_2 = N_3$ , have already been defined.

b) Define inference rules for exponentiation,  $N_1 \wedge N_2 = N_3$ . Hint:  $0 \wedge 0 = 1$  and  $0 \wedge 1 = 0$ .

6. [30 points]

We want to prove this theorem: If  $(N_1 + N_2 \geq N_1 + N_3)$  then  $(N_2 \geq N_3)$ , for all  $N_1, N_2, N_3$ .

Define deductive systems for concluding  $N_1 + N_2 = N_3$  and  $N_1 \geq N_2$ ; then prove the theorem.

Hint: The theorem stated above uses different syntax than the judgment forms, so you must restate the theorem in a way that only uses the syntax of the judgment forms.

7. [13 points]

Consider the following ML function.

```
fun f L =  
  let fun g L R [] _ = (L,R)  
        | g L (r::rs) (x::xs) true = g (L@[r]) (rs@[x]) xs false  
        | g L R (x::xs) toggle = g L (R@[x]) xs (not toggle)  
  in g [] [] L false  
  end;
```

(a) To what does `f [1,2,3,4,5,6]` evaluate?

(b) Rewrite `f` to shift all recursion into a single fold function. Your new version of `f` should obey the constraints of Assignment II (including using no explicit recursion, and not defining any let-environments).

**[Undergraduates stop here. The remaining problems are for graduate students.]**

(c) [3 points]

Assume that  $L_1 @ L_2$  runs in time linear in the size of  $L_1$ . Using big-O notation, what's the running time of  $\text{f}$ ?

(d) [7 points]

Rewrite  $\text{f}$  to be asymptotically faster, subject to the constraints of Assignment I (including not using library funs like *foldr*, *foldl*, etc., but where let-environments and recursion are allowed).