

Second Exam
CS 1101 Computer Science I
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Before reading further, please arrange to have an empty seat on either side of you. Now that you are seated, please write your name **on the back** of this exam.

This is a closed-notes and closed-book exam. Computers, calculators, and books are prohibited.

This is a 12 point exam. Answer all questions in Section 1 and question 2.1. Answer either 2.2 or 2.3 but not both. Circle the number of the problem that you want graded.

- Partial credit will be given so be sure to show your work.
- Feel free to write helper functions if you need them.
- **Please write neatly.**

Problem	Points	Out Of	
1		5	Required
2.1		3	Required
2.2		4	
2.3		4	
Total		12	

Section 1 (5 Points Total)

1. (1 Point) In a sentence, what is the significance of the number 256 in computing?

Answer: $2^8 = 256$, there are 256 8-bit patterns.

2. (1 Point) Is the following well-defined? If so, what is its value?

```
let a = let a = 2 in a * a in a * a
```

Answer: Yes.

```
let a = let a = 2 in a * a in a * a
--> let a = 2 * 2 in a * a
--> let a = 4 in a * a
--> 4 * 4
--> 16
```

3. (1 Point) Solve for X .

(a) $66_{10} = X_{16}$.

Answer: $X = 42$.

(b) $11011_2 = X_4$.

Answer: $X = 123$.

4. (2 Points) The `List.tl : 'a list -> 'a list` function returns the tail of a list. For example, the call `(List.tl [1; 2; 3])` evaluates to the list `[2; 3]`. Given the call, `(f [1; 2; 3])`, show the state of the stack and heap after (1) has executed but before (2) has executed.

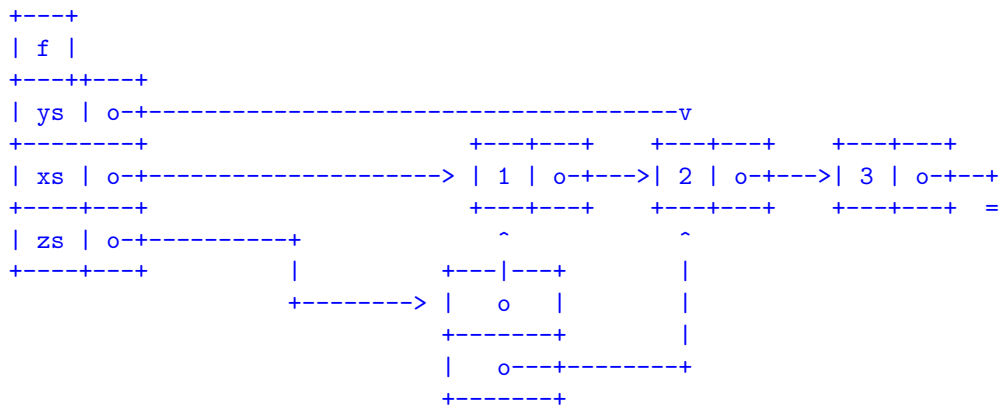
```
let f xs =
  let ys = List.tl xs in
  let zs = (xs, ys)           (1)
  in
  zs                          (2)
```

`(f [1; 2; 3])`

Stack

Heap

Answer:



Section 2 (7 Points Total)

Do problem 1 and **either 2 or 3 but not both**. Circle the number of the problem that you want graded.

1. (3 Points) In the *run length encoding* system, sequences of repeated values $v \ v \ \dots \ v$ can be represented efficiently by *pairs* (v, n) where n is the length of the sequence. For example, a run length encoding would represent the sequence of bits $[0; 0; 0; 1; 1; 0; 0; 0; 0]$ as the list of pairs $[(0, 3); (1, 2); (0, 4)]$. Write the `expandRLE` function `expandRLE : ('a * int) list -> 'a list` such that a call `(expandRLE rle)` evaluates to the expanded list.

Answer:

```
let rec copy item n =
  match n = 0 with
  | true  -> []
  | false -> item::(copy item (n - 1))

(* expandRLE : ('a * int) list -> 'a list
  *)
let rec expandRLE rle =
  match rle with
  | [] -> []
  | (item, n)::rest -> (copy item n) @ (expandRLE rest)
```

2. (4 Points) Write a function `product : 'a list -> 'b list -> ('a * 'b) list` such that a given call `(product xs ys)` returns a list of all pairs formed from elements of `xs` and `ys`. For example, the call `(product [1; 2] ['A'; 'B'])` should evaluate to `[(1, 'A'); (1, 'B'); (2, 'A'); (2, 'B')]`.

Answer:

```
let rec product xs ys =
  let nested = List.map (fun x -> List.map (fun y -> (x, y)) ys) xs
  in
  List.fold_left (@) [] nested
```

3. (4 Points) Write a function `merge : int array -> int array -> int array` such that a given call `(merge a b)`, where `a` and `b` are arrays of integers in ascending order, returns an integer array containing the values in `a` and `b` in ascending order. For example, the call `(merge [1; 3; 5] [2; 4])` should return the 5-element array `[1; 2; 3; 4; 5]`.

Answer:

```
let merge a b =
  let na = Array.length a in
  let nb = Array.length b in
  let c = Array.make (na + nb) 0 in
  let rec repeat ai bi =
    match (ai < na, bi < nb) with
    | (true, true) -> if a.(ai) < b.(bi) then
        begin
          c.(ai+bi) <- a.(ai);
          repeat (ai+1) bi
        end
      else
        begin
          c.(ai+bi) <- b.(bi);
          repeat ai (bi+1)
        end
      end
    | (true, false) -> c.(ai+bi) <- a.(ai);
        repeat (ai+1) bi
    | (false, true) -> c.(ai+bi) <- b.(bi);
        repeat ai (bi+1)
    | (false, false) -> ()
  in
  repeat 0 0;
  c
```

Or, cutting corners:

```
let merge a b =
  Array.of_list (List.merge compare (Array.to_list a) (Array.to_list b))
```