CMSC 330 Quiz 5 Spring 2022

Q1. Lambda Calculus

Consider the following lambda expression.

 $\lambda a. \lambda b. b c \lambda c. d f a$

Note: To represent λ , you may either copy and paste the symbol λ or just type the characters L or λ in your solutions.

Q1.1. Make the parenthesis explicit

Q1.2. Which of the following are free (or unbound) variables? Select all that apply.

- a
- b
- c
- d
- f

Q1.3. Which of the following are valid α -conversions? Select all that apply.

- λx. λb. b c λc. d f x
- λw. λb. b c λc. d f a
- λa. λb. b x λx. d f a
- λa. λb. b c λw. d f a
- λa. λy. y c λc. d f a

Q2. Concepts

For each of the questions below, select whether the given statement is true or false.

Q2.1. Reducing lambda expressions with call-by-name and call-by-value always yields the same result, assuming that all expressions terminate. T/F

Q2.2. Reducing lambda expressions with call-by-name and call-by-value always takes the same number of steps/reductions. T/F

Q3. Beta Reduction

Reduce the following lambda calculus expression to the β -normal form.

 $(\lambda y. \ \lambda y. \ y \ y)$ a $(\lambda y. \ y)$ b

Show each step, including any β -reduction or α -conversion. If there is infinite recursion, write "Infinite Recursion".

Notes:

- You must make all parenthesis explicit before reducing the expression.
- You also must perform valid α -conversions to remove all ambiguity/duplicate variables.
- To represent λ , you may either copy and paste the symbol λ or just type the characters L or \setminus in your solutions.

Q4. Mystery Operator

Suppose we have a mystery lambda expression mys such that for any input x, a, we have the following:

mys x a = x

Note: To represent λ , you may either copy and paste the symbol λ or just type the characters L or λ in your solutions.

Q4.1. Give a possible lambda expression for mys.

Q4.2. Using the expression from Q4.1, reduce the following expression to the β -normal form.

mys (λx . x)

Show each step, including any β -reduction or α -conversion. If there is infinite recursion, write "Infinite Recursion".