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Solutions

- Not all possible solutions are given.
- In many places, much less detail than I have provided in the example solution was actually required.
- Solutions may contain typos.

Zippers (33 points total)

A *zipper* is a data structure that allows navigation in another tree-like structure. Consider binary trees:

```
data Tree a = Leaf a | Node (Tree a) (Tree a)
deriving (Eq, Show)
```

A *one-hole context* for trees is given by the following datatype:

```
data TreeCtx a = NodeL () (Tree a) | NodeR (Tree a) ()
deriving (Eq, Show)
```

The idea is as follows: leaves contain no subtrees, therefore they do not occur in the context type. In a node, we can focus on either the left or the right subtree. The context then consists of the other subtree. The use of `()` is just to mark the position of the hole – it is not really needed.

We can plug a tree into the hole of a context as follows:

```
plugTree :: Tree a → TreeCtx a → Tree a
plugTree l (NodeL () r) = Node l r
plugTree r (NodeR l ()) = Node l r
```

A zipper for trees encodes a tree where a certain subtree is currently in focus. Since the focused tree can be located deep in the full tree, one element of type `TreeCtx a` is not sufficient. Instead, we store the focused subtree together with a *list* of one-layer contexts that encodes the path from the focus to the root node:

```
data TreeZipper a = TZ (Tree a) [TreeCtx a]
deriving (Eq, Show)
```

We can recover the full tree from the zipper as follows:

```
leave :: TreeZipper a → Tree a
leave (TZ t cs) = foldl plugTree t cs
```

Consider the tree

```
tree :: Tree Char
tree = Node (Node (Leaf 'a') (Leaf 'b'))
           (Node (Leaf 'c') (Leaf 'd'))
```

If we focus on the rightmost leaf containing `'d'`, the corresponding zipper structure is

```
example :: TreeZipper Char
example = TZ (Leaf 'd')
            [NodeR (Leaf 'c') (), NodeR (Node (Leaf 'a') (Leaf 'b')) ()]
```

1 (3 points). Define a function

$$\text{enter} :: \text{Tree } a \rightarrow \text{TreeZipper } a$$

that creates a zipper from a tree such that the full tree is in focus. ●

Solution 1.

$$\text{enter } t = \text{TZ } t []$$

Moving the focus from a tree down to the left subtree works as follows: ○

$$\begin{aligned} \text{down} &:: \text{TreeZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{TreeZipper } a) \\ \text{down } (\text{TZ } (\text{Leaf } x) \text{ } cs) &= \text{Nothing} \\ \text{down } (\text{TZ } (\text{Node } l \text{ } r) \text{ } cs) &= \text{Just } (\text{TZ } l \text{ } (\text{NodeL } () \text{ } r : cs)) \end{aligned}$$

The function fails if there is no left subtree, i. e., if we are in a leaf.

2 (8 points). Define functions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{up} &:: \text{TreeZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{TreeZipper } a) \\ \text{right} &:: \text{TreeZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{TreeZipper } a) \end{aligned}$$

that move the focus from a subtree to its parent node or to its right sibling, respectively. Both functions should fail (by returning *Nothing*) if the move is not possible. ●

Solution 2. These are the simple definitions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{up } (\text{TZ } t \text{ } (c : cs)) &= \text{Just } (\text{TZ } (\text{plugTree } t \text{ } c) \text{ } cs) \\ \text{up } _ &= \text{Nothing} \\ \text{right } (\text{TZ } l \text{ } (\text{NodeR } l \text{ } () : cs)) &= \text{Just } (\text{TZ } r \text{ } (\text{NodeR } l \text{ } () : cs)) \\ \text{right } _ &= \text{Nothing} \end{aligned}$$

The function *right* fails if there is no immediate right sibling. If we want to move to the *right* even if there is no immediate sibling, we can define ○

$$\begin{aligned} \text{right}' &:: \text{TreeZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{TreeZipper } a) \\ \text{right}' z &= \text{right } z \text{ 'mplus' } (\text{up } z \gg= \text{right}' \gg= \text{down}) \end{aligned}$$

3 (6 points). Assuming a suitable instance

$$\text{instance Arbitrary } a \Rightarrow \text{Arbitrary } (\text{TreeZipper } a)$$

consider the QuickCheck property

$$\begin{aligned} \text{downUp} &:: (\text{Eq } a) \Rightarrow \text{TreeZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Bool} \\ \text{downUp } z &= (\text{down } z \gg= \text{up}) == \text{Just } z \end{aligned}$$

Give a counterexample for this property, and suggest how the property can be improved so that the test will pass. ●

4 (4 points). Is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{left} &:: \text{TreeZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{TreeZipper } a) \\ \text{left } z &= \text{up } z \gg \text{down} \end{aligned}$$

a suitable definition for *left*? Give reasons for your answer. [No more than 30 words.]

Solution 4. It moves to the left sibling when possible. In the root, *left* fails (which is fine). In other nodes without left siblings, *left* returns to the same place.

5 (6 points). The concept of a *one-hole context* is not limited to binary trees. Give a suitable definition of *ListCtx* such that we can define

$$\text{data ListZipper } a = \text{LZ } [a] [\text{ListCtx } a]$$

and in principle play the same game as with the zipper for trees. Also define the function

$$\text{plugList} :: [a] \rightarrow \text{ListCtx } a \rightarrow [a]$$

the combines a list context with a list.

Solution 5. There is no way to descend into an empty list, and only one way to descend into a non-empty list. When descending to the tail, we have to remember the element we pass, so the list context contains a single element:

$$\text{type ListCtx } a = a$$

Plugging is just cons-ing:

$$\text{plugList} = \text{flip } (:)$$

6 (6 points). Discuss the necessity of *up*, *down*, *left* and *right* functions for the *ListZipper*, and describe what they would do. No need to define them (although it is ok to do so). [No more than 40 words.]

Solution 6. The functions *up* and *down* correspond to moving left and right in the list, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{up} &:: \text{ListZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{ListZipper } a) \\ \text{up } (\text{LZ } xs (c : cs)) &= \text{Just } (\text{LZ } (c : xs) cs) \\ \text{up } _ &= \text{Nothing} \\ \text{down} &:: \text{ListZipper } a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } (\text{ListZipper } a) \\ \text{down } (\text{LZ } (x : xs) cs) &= \text{Just } (\text{LZ } xs (x : cs)) \\ \text{down } _ &= \text{Nothing} \end{aligned}$$

The functions *left* and *right* are not needed, as there are no siblings in the case of lists.

Type isomorphisms (12 points total)

7 (6 points). A different definition for one-hole contexts of trees is the following:

```
data Dir = L | R
type TreeCtx' a = (Dir, Tree a)
```

Show that, ignoring undefined values, the types *TreeCtx* and *TreeCtx'* are isomorphic, by giving conversion functions and stating the properties that the conversion functions must adhere to (*no proofs required*). •

Solution 7. The conversion functions are:

```
from :: TreeCtx a → TreeCtx' a
from (NodeL () r) = (L, r)
from (NodeR l ()) = (R, l)
to :: TreeCtx' a → TreeCtx a
to (L, r) = NodeL () r
to (R, l) = NodeR l ()
```

The conversion functions must be mutual inverses:

```
∀(c :: TreeCtx a). to (from c) ≡ c
∀(c :: TreeCtx' a). from (to c) ≡ c
```

It is very easy to see that these properties hold. ○

8 (6 points). In Haskell's lazy setting, how many different values are there of type *TreeCtx Bool* if we restrict the occurrences of *Tree Bool* to be leaves. And how many different values are there of type *TreeCtx' Bool* given the same restriction? (Hint: note that the use of *()* in the definition of *TreeCtx* is relevant here.) •

Solution 8. For *TreeCtx Bool* there are thirteen (or seventeen):

- \perp ,
- for *NodeL*, there are six:
 $NodeL \perp (Leaf \perp), NodeL () (Leaf \perp), NodeL \perp (Leaf True), NodeL \perp (Leaf False),$
 $NodeL () True, NodeL () False,$
- and analogously, we get six for *NodeR*.

It is also ok to count $NodeL \perp \perp, NodeL () \perp, NodeR \perp \perp$ and $NodeR () \perp$.

For *TreeCtx' Bool* there are ten (or thirteen): $\perp, (\perp, Leaf \perp), (L, Leaf \perp), (R, Leaf \perp),$
 $(\perp, Leaf True), (\perp, Leaf False), (L, Leaf True), (L, Leaf False), (R, Leaf True), (R, Leaf False).$
If you counted the extra values before, then we should count $(\perp, \perp), (L, \perp),$ and (R, \perp)
here as well. ○

Lenses (14 points total, plus 5 bonus points)

A so-called *lens* is (among other things) a way to access a substructure of a larger structure by grouping a function to extract the substructure with a function to update the substructure:

$$\mathbf{data} \ a \mapsto b = \mathit{Lens} \ \{ \mathit{extract} :: a \rightarrow b, \\ \mathit{insert} :: b \rightarrow a \rightarrow a \}$$

(We assume here that we enable infix type constructors, and that \mapsto is a valid symbol for such a constructor.)

Lenses are supposed to adhere to the following two *extract/insert* laws:

$$\forall (f :: a \mapsto b) \ (x :: a). \quad \mathit{insert} \ f \ (\mathit{extract} \ f \ x) \ x \equiv x \\ \forall (f :: a \mapsto b) \ (x :: b) \ (y :: a). \quad \mathit{extract} \ f \ (\mathit{insert} \ f \ x \ y) \equiv x$$

A trivial lens is the identity lens that returns the complete structure:

$$\mathit{idLens} :: a \mapsto a \\ \mathit{idLens} = \mathit{Lens} \ \{ \mathit{extract} = \mathit{id}, \mathit{insert} = \mathit{const} \}$$

It is trivial to see that *idLens* fulfills the two laws.

9 (4 points). Define a lens that accesses the focus component of a tree zipper structure:

$$\mathit{focus} :: \mathit{TreeZipper} \ a \mapsto \mathit{Tree} \ a$$

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Solution 9.

$$\mathit{focus} = \mathit{Lens} \ \{ \mathit{extract} = \lambda (TZ \ t \ cs) \rightarrow t, \\ \mathit{insert} = \lambda t \ (TZ \ _ \ cs) \rightarrow TZ \ t \ cs \}$$

○

10 (4 points). Define a function that updates the substructure accessed by a lens according to the given function:

$$\mathit{update} :: (a \mapsto b) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow a)$$

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Solution 10.

$$\mathit{update} \ (\mathit{Lens} \ \mathit{ext} \ \mathit{ins}) \ f \ x = \mathit{ins} \ (f \ (\mathit{ext} \ x)) \ x$$

○

Lenses can be composed. Structures that support identity and composition are captured by the following type class:

```
class Category cat where
  id  :: cat a a
  (◦) :: cat b c → cat a b → cat a c
```

For instance, functions are an instance of the category class, with the usual definitions of identity and function composition:

```
instance Category (→) where
  id  = Prelude.id
  (◦) = (Prelude.◦)
```

11 (6 points). Define an instance of the *Category* class for lenses:

```
instance Category (↔) where
  ...
```

Solution 11.

```
instance Category (↔) where
  id = idLens
  (◦) f g =
    Lens { extract = extract f ◦ extract g,
          insert  = update g ◦ insert f }
```

12 (5 bonus points). Prove using equational reasoning that if the two *extract/insert* laws stated above hold for both *f* and *g*, then they also hold for *f ◦ g*.

Solution 12. Let $x :: a, f :: b \mapsto c, g :: a \mapsto b$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{insert } (f \circ g) (\text{extract } (f \circ g) x) x \\
 \equiv & \quad \{ \text{definition of insert} \} \\
 & (\text{update } g \circ \text{insert } f) (\text{extract } (f \circ g) x) x \\
 \equiv & \quad \{ \text{definition of } (\circ) \} \\
 & \text{update } g (\text{insert } f (\text{extract } (f \circ g) x)) x \\
 \equiv & \quad \{ \text{definition of update} \} \\
 & \text{insert } g (\text{insert } f (\text{extract } (f \circ g) x) (\text{extract } g x)) x \\
 \equiv & \quad \{ \text{definition of extract} \} \\
 & \text{insert } g (\text{insert } f ((\text{extract } f \circ \text{extract } g) x) (\text{extract } g x)) x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\equiv \{ \text{definition of } (\circ) \} \\
&\quad \text{insert } g \text{ (insert } f \text{ (extract } f \text{ (extract } g \text{ } x)) \text{ (extract } g \text{ } x)) } x \\
&\equiv \{ \text{assumption on } f \} \\
&\quad \text{insert } g \text{ (extract } g \text{ } x) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{assumption on } g \} \\
&\quad x
\end{aligned}$$

Now let $x :: b, y :: a, f :: b \mapsto c$ and $g :: a \mapsto b$.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\quad \text{extract } (f \circ g) \text{ (insert } (f \circ g) \text{ } x \text{ } y) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{definition of } \text{extract} \} \\
&\quad (\text{extract } f \circ \text{extract } g) \text{ (insert } (f \circ g) \text{ } x \text{ } y) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{definition of } (\circ) \} \\
&\quad \text{extract } f \text{ (extract } g \text{ (insert } (f \circ g) \text{ } x \text{ } y)) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{definition of } \text{insert} \} \\
&\quad \text{extract } f \text{ (extract } g \text{ ((update } g \circ \text{insert } f) \text{ } x \text{ } y)) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{definition of } (\circ) \} \\
&\quad \text{extract } f \text{ (extract } g \text{ (update } g \text{ (insert } f \text{ } x) \text{ } y)) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{definition of } \text{update} \} \\
&\quad \text{extract } f \text{ (extract } g \text{ (insert } g \text{ (insert } f \text{ } x \text{ } y) \text{ } y)) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{assumption on } g \} \\
&\quad \text{extract } f \text{ (insert } f \text{ } x \text{ } y) \\
&\equiv \{ \text{assumption on } f \} \\
&\quad x
\end{aligned}$$

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Monad transformers (22 points total)

Consider the monad *TraverseTree*, defined as follows:

```
type TraverseTree a = StateT (TreeZipper a) Maybe
```

13 (3 points). What is the kind of *TraverseTree*?

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Solution 13.

$* \rightarrow * \rightarrow *$

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14 (6 points). Define a function

```
nav :: (TreeZipper a → Maybe (TreeZipper a)) → TraverseTree a ()
```

that turns a navigation function like *down*, *up*, or *right* into a monadic operation on *TraverseTree*. •

Solution 14.

```
nav f =  
  do  
    l ← get  
    x ← lift $ f l  
    put x
```

Note that using *modify* is problematic, because we cannot lift the argument to *modify* into the outer monad. ○

Given a lense and the *MonadState* interface, we can define useful helpers to access parts of the monadic state:

```
getLens :: MonadState s m ⇒ (s ↦ a) → m a  
getLens f = gets (extract f)  
putLens :: MonadState s m ⇒ (s ↦ a) → a → m ()  
putLens f x = modify (insert f x)  
modifyLens :: MonadState s m ⇒ (s ↦ a) → (a → a) → m ()  
modifyLens f g = modify (update f g)
```

We can now define the following piece of code:

```
ops :: TraverseTree Char ()  
ops =  
  do  
    nav down  
    x ← getLens focus  
    nav right  
    putLens focus x  
    nav down  
    modifyLens focus (const $ Leaf 'X')
```

15 (6 points). Given all the functions so far and once again tree

```
tree = Node (Node (Leaf 'a') (Leaf 'b'))  
          (Node (Leaf 'c') (Leaf 'd'))
```

what is the result of evaluating the following declaration:

```
test = leave (snd (fromJust (runStateT ops (enter tree))))
```

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Solution 15. The result is

$$\text{Node} (\text{Node} (\text{Leaf} \text{ 'a'}) (\text{Leaf} \text{ 'b'})) (\text{Node} (\text{Leaf} \text{ 'X'}) (\text{Leaf} \text{ 'b'}))$$

○

16 (7 points). Explain how a compiler based on passing dictionaries for type classes can construct the dictionary to pass to the *modifyLens* call in the last line of the definition of *ops* above. ●

Solution 16. The call to *modifyLens* requires an instance

$$\text{MonadState} (\text{TreeZipper Char}) (\text{TraverseTree Char})$$

which after expanding the type synonym means

$$\text{MonadState} (\text{TreeZipper Char}) (\text{StateT} (\text{TreeZipper Char}) \text{ Maybe})$$

Reading classes as dictionary types, we thus need a dictionary of the type above. We have the instances

instance *Monad Maybe*
instance *Monad m ⇒ MonadState s (StateT s m)*

available, in other words, we can assume dictionaries:

$$\text{monadMaybe} :: \text{Monad Maybe}$$
$$\text{monadState} :: \text{Monad m} \rightarrow \text{MonadState s (StateT s m)}$$

The desired dictionary can thus be constructed by using

$$\text{monadState monadMaybe}$$

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Trees, shapes and pointers in Agda (19 points total)

Consider the definitions of *List*, *N*, *Vec* and *Fin* in Agda. These four types are related as follows:

Natural numbers describe the *shapes* of lists (if we instantiate the element type of lists to the unit type, we obtain a type isomorphic to the natural numbers). Indexing lists by their shapes yields vectors. Finally, *Fin* is the type of *pointers* into vectors such that we can define a safe lookup function.

Now consider binary trees (as before), given in Agda by:

data *Tree* (*A* : *Set*) : *Set* **where**
leaf : *A* → *Tree A*
node : *Tree A* → *Tree A* → *Tree A*

The type of shapes for trees is given by:

```
data Shape : Set where
  end   : Shape
  split : Shape → Shape → Shape
```

17 (5 points). Define a datatype *S*Tree of shape-indexed binary trees (i. e., *S*Tree corresponds to *Vec*):

```
data STree (A : Set) : Shape → Set where
  ...
```

Solution 17.

```
data STree (A : Set) : Shape → Set where
  leaf  : A → STree A end
  node  : ∀ {s t} → STree A s → STree A t → STree A (split s t)
```

18 (6 points). Define a datatype *Path* of shape-indexed pointers (i. e., *Path* corresponds to *Fin*):

```
data Path : Shape → Set where
  ...
```

Note that a value *p* of type *Path s* should point to an element in a tree of shape *s*.

Solution 18.

```
data Path : Shape → Set where
  here  : Path end
  left  : ∀ {s t} → Path s → Path (split s t)
  right : ∀ {s t} → Path t → Path (split s t)
```

19 (4 points). Define a function *zipWith* on shape-indexed trees that merges two trees of the same shape and combines the elements according to the given function.

```
zipWith : ∀ {A B C s} → (A → B → C) →
  STree A s → STree B s → STree C s
```

Solution 19.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{zipWith } f \text{ (leaf } x) \text{ (leaf } y) &= \text{leaf } (f \ x \ y) \\ \text{zipWith } f \text{ (node } l_1 \ r_1) \text{ (node } l_2 \ r_2) &= \text{node } (\text{zipWith } f \ l_1 \ l_2) \ (\text{zipWith } f \ r_1 \ r_2) \end{aligned}$$

○

20 (4 points). Define a function *lookup* on shape-indexed trees

$$\text{lookup} : \forall \{A\} s \rightarrow \text{STree } A \ s \rightarrow \text{Path } s \rightarrow A$$

that returns the element stored at the given path.

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Solution 20.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{lookup } (\text{leaf } x) \text{ here} &= x \\ \text{lookup } (\text{node } l \ r) \text{ (left } p) &= \text{lookup } l \ p \\ \text{lookup } (\text{node } l \ r) \text{ (right } p) &= \text{lookup } r \ p \end{aligned}$$

○