Putting Laziness to Work

Why use laziness

- Laziness has lots of interesting uses
 - Build cyclic structures. Finite representations of infinite data.
 - Do less work, compute only those values demanded by the final result.
 - Build infinite intermediate data structures and actually materialize only those parts of the structure of interest.
 - Search based solutions using enumerate then test .
 - Memoize or remember past results so that they don't need to be recomputed

Cyclic structures

- cycles:: [Int]
- cycles = 1 : 2 : 3 : cycles



Cyclic Trees

• data Tree a = Tip a | Fork (Tree a) (Tree a)

• t2 = Fork (Fork (Tip 3) (Tip 4)) (Fork (Tip 9) t2)



Mutually Cyclic



Prime numbers and infinite lists

Dynamic Programming

```
• Consider the function
```

• takes about 9 seconds on my machine!

Why does it take so long?

• Consider (fib 6)



What if we could remember past results?

- Strategy
 - Create a data structure
 - Store the result for every (fib n) only if (fib n) is demanded.
 - If it is ever demanded again return the result in the data structure rather than re-compute it
- Laziness is crucial
- Constant time access is also crucial
 Use of functional arrays

Lazy Arrays

```
import Data.Array
table = array (1,5)
      [(1,'a'),(2,'b'),(3,'c'),(5,'e'),(4,'d')]
```

- The array is created once
- Any size array can be created
- Slots cannot be over written
- Slots are initialized by the list
- Constant access time to value stored in every slot

Taming the duplication

```
fib2 :: Integer -> Integer
fib2 z = f z
where table = array (0,z) [ (i, f i) | i <- range (0,z) ]
f 0 = 1
f 1 = 1
f 1 = 1
f n = (table ! (n-1)) + (table ! (n-2))</pre>
```

LazyDemos> fib2 30 1346269 (4055 reductions, 5602 cells)

Result is instantaneous on my machine

Can we abstract over this pattern?

- Can we write a memo function that memoizes another function.
- Allocates an array
- Initializes the array with calls to the function
- But, We need a way to intercept recursive calls

A fixpoint operator does the trick

- fix f = f (fix f)
- g fib 0 = 1
- g fib 1 = 1
- g fib n = fib (n-1) + fib (n-2)
- fib1 = fix g

Generalizing

```
memo :: Ix a \Rightarrow (a,a) \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a \rightarrow b
memo bounds g = f
  where arrayF = array bounds
                              [ (n, g f n) | n <- range bounds ]
          f x = arrayF ! x
fib3 n = memo (0,n) q n
fact = memo(0, 100) q
   where g fact n =
              if n=0 then 1 else n * fact (n-1)
```

Representing Graphs



type Graph = Table [Vertex]

-- Array Int [Int]

Index for each

node





Functions on graphs

type Vertex = Inttype Edge = (Vertex,Vertex) vertices :: Graph -> [Vertex] indices :: Graph -> [Int] edges :: Graph -> [Edge]



DFS and Forests

```
data Tree a = Node a (Forest a)
type Forest a = [Tree a]
nodesTree (Node a f) ans =
    nodesForest f (a:ans)
nodesForest [] ans = ans
nodesForest (t : f) ans =
    nodesTree t (nodesForest f ans)
```

- Note how any tree can be spannedby a Forest. The Forest is not always
- unique.



DFS

• The DFS algorithm finds a spanning forest for a graph, from a set of roots.

dfs :: Graph -> [Vertex] -> Forest Vertex

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dfs g vs = prune (A.bounds g) (map (generate g) vs)

generate :: Graph -> Vertex -> Tree Vertex
generate g v = Node v (map (generate g) (g `aat` v))

Array indexing

cyclic tree

Sets of nodes already visited



Pruning already visited paths

```
prune :: Bounds -> Forest Vertex -> Forest Vertex
prune bnds ts =
    runST (do { m <- mkEmpty bnds; chop m ts })</pre>
chop :: Set s -> Forest Vertex -> ST s (Forest Vertex)
chop m [] = return []
chop m (Node v ts : us)
  do { visited <- contains m v
      ; if visited
           then chop m us
           else do { include m v
                   ; as <- chop m ts
                   ; bs <- chop m us
                   ; return(Node v as : bs)
                   }
     }
```

Topological Sort

```
postorder :: Tree a -> [a]
postorder (Node a ts) = postorderF ts ++ [a]
postorderF :: Forest a -> [a]
postorderF ts = concat (map postorder ts)
postOrd :: Graph -> [Vertex]
postOrd = postorderF . Dff
```

dff :: Graph -> Forest Vertex
dff g = dfs g (vertices g)

