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ADVANCED FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING (COMP2003)

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Question 1: Monads And More**[overall 35 marks]**

a) Given the type declaration

```
data List a = Nil | Cons a (List a)
```

for which `Nil` represents an empty list and `Cons x xs` represents a non-empty list, show how the parameterised type `List` can be made into an instance of the `Functor` class, stating the type of the function you define. [5 marks]

b) Define a recursive function `append :: List a -> List a -> List a` that appends two lists together to give a single list. [3 marks]

c) Using `append`, show how `List` can also be made into an instance of the `Applicative` and `Monad` classes, stating the type of all functions. [12 marks]

d) Define a *non-monadic* function

```
replace :: List a -> Int -> (List Int, Int)
```

that replaces every element in a list by a unique or *fresh* integer, by taking the next fresh integer as an additional argument to the function, and returning the next fresh integer as an additional result. [5 marks]

e) Using the parameterised type

```
newtype ST a = S (Int -> (a, Int))
```

of state transformers whose state is an integer, define a *monadic* function

```
replace' :: List a -> ST (List Int)
```

that has the same behaviour as `replace`, but is defined using the `do` notation. There is no need to define the `ST` monad in your answer. [10 marks]

Question 2: Reasoning About Programs**[overall 35 marks]**

a) Given the type declaration

```
data Tree a = Leaf a | Node (Tree a) (Tree a)
```

define functions `leaves` and `nodes` of type `Tree a -> Int` that count the number of leaves and nodes in a tree, respectively. [6 marks]

b) Prove the following property by induction on the tree `t`: [7 marks]
$$\text{leaves } t = \text{nodes } t + 1$$

c) Given the function definitions

```
map f (Leaf x)    = Leaf (f x)
map f (Node l r) = Node (map f l) (map f r)
```

$$(f.g) x = f (g x)$$

prove the following property by induction on the tree `t`: [10 marks]

$$\text{map } (f.g) t = \text{map } f (\text{map } g t)$$

d) Given the definitions

```
data Nat = Zero | Succ Nat
```

```
take Zero      _      = []
take (Succ n) (x:xs) = x : take n xs
```

```
repeat x = x : repeat x
```

calculate a recursive function

```
replicate :: Nat -> a -> [a]
```

that satisfies the following specification: [12 marks]

$$\text{replicate } n x = \text{take } n (\text{repeat } x)$$

Question 3: The Maybe Monad**[overall 30 marks]**

Write a short essay (maximum 500 words) that explains how Haskell functions that may fail can be written using the `>>=` operator for the Maybe monad.

Further instructions:

- Your essay should have a clear narrative structure, rather than simply being Haskell definitions. You may assume your audience is familiar with the basics of Haskell, but has no experience with the Maybe monad.
- Please include a word count at the end of your essay. Any Haskell definitions you make should be included in the word count.

[30 marks]