

CW 2011 Tutorial: Introduction to Programming with Shift and Reset

Kenichi Asai Oleg Kiselyov

September 23, 2011

Thanks to: Kazu Yamamoto (IIJ)

Overview

- Basics
 - What are continuations?
 - What are delimited continuations?
 - How to discard/extract continuations.
- How to use delimited continuations in Haskell
- Challenge 1: co-routine
- Challenge 2: printf
- Challenge 3: search

What are continuations?

Continuation

The rest of the computation.

- The current computation: \dots inside $[]$
- The rest of the computation: \dots outside $[]$

For example: $3 + [5 * 2] - 1$.

- The current computation: $5 * 2$
- The current continuation: $3 + [\cdot] - 1$.

“Given a value for $[\cdot]$, add 3 to it and sbtract 1 from the sum.” i.e., $\text{fun } x \rightarrow 3 + x - 1$

What are continuations?

Continuation

The rest of the computation.

Continuations are the computation that is discarded when the current computation is aborted.

For example: $3 + [5 * 2] - 1$.

- Replace $[\cdot]$ with `raise Abort`:

$$3 + [\text{raise Abort}] - 1$$

- The discarded computation $3 + [\cdot] - 1$ is the current continuation.

What are continuations?

As computation proceeds, continuation changes.

$3 + [5 * 2] - 1$:

- The current computation: $5 * 2$
- The current continuation: $3 + [\cdot] - 1$.

$[3 + 10] - 1$:

- The current computation: $3 + 10$
- The current continuation: $[\cdot] - 1$.

$[13 - 1]$:

- The current computation: $13 - 1$
- The current continuation: $[\cdot]$.

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

1 `5 * (2 * 3 + 3 * 4)`

2 `(if 2 = 3 then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"`

3 `fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))`

4 `string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))`

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

1 `5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`

`[2 * 3] :`

`5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) :`

2 `(if 2 = 3 then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"`

3 `fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))`

4 `string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))`

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

1 `5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`

`[2 * 3] : int`

`5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int ->`

2 `(if 2 = 3 then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"`

3 `fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))`

4 `string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))`

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

1 `5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`

`[2 * 3] : int`

`5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int`

2 `(if 2 = 3 then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"`

3 `fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))`

4 `string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))`

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

1 `5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`

`[2 * 3] : int`

`5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int`

2 `(if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"`

`[2 = 3] :`

`(if [.] ...) ^ " world" :`

3 `fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))`

4 `string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))`

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool ->
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))
```

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = 1 + 2 in (x, x))
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))
```

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x))
 [1 + 2] :
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)) :
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))
```

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x))
 [1 + 2] : int
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)) : int ->
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))
```

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x))
 [1 + 2] : int
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)) : int -> int
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int (3 + 1))
```

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x))
 [1 + 2] : int
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)) : int -> int
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1])
   [3 + 1] :
   string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [.] ) :
```


Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x))
 [1 + 2] : int
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)) : int -> int
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1])
   [3 + 1] : int
   string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [.] ) : int ->
```

Exercise

Identify the current expression, continuation, and their types.

- ```
1 5 * ([2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [2 * 3] : int
 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4) : int -> int
```
- ```
2 (if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world"
   [2 = 3] : bool
   (if [.] ...) ^ " world" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x))
 [1 + 2] : int
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)) : int -> int
```
- ```
4 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1])
   [3 + 1] : int
   string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [.] ) : int -> int
```

What are delimited continuations?

Delimited Continuation

The rest of the computation up to the delimiter.

Syntax

```
reset (fun () ->  $M$ )
```

For example:

```
reset (fun () -> 3 + [5 * 2]) - 1
```

- The current computation: $5 * 2$
- The current delimited continuation: $3 + [\cdot]$.

What are delimited continuations?

The delimiter `reset` is like an exception handler.
For example:

```
reset (fun () -> 3 + [5 * 2]) - 1
```

- Replace `reset` with `try ... with`:

```
(try 3 + [raise Abort] with Abort -> 0) - 1
```

- The discarded computation `3 + [·]` is the current delimited continuation.

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- 1 `5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`
- 2 `reset (fun () ->
 if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")
 ^ " world"`
- 3 `fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))`
- 4 `string_length (reset (fun () ->
 "x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))`

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- `5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`
`[.] + 3 * 4 :`
- `reset (fun () ->`
 `if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")`
 `^ " world"`
- `fst (reset (fun () ->`
 `let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))`
- `string_length (reset (fun () ->`
 `"x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))`

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
         if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")
   ^ " world"
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
                        "x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))
```

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- `5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`
`[.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int`
- `reset (fun () ->`
 `if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")`
 `^ " world"`
 `if [.] then "hello" else "hi" :`
- `fst (reset (fun () ->`
 `let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))`
- `string_length (reset (fun () ->`
 `"x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))`

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
         if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")
   ^ " world"
   if [.] then "hello" else "hi" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
                        "x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))
```

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- `5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`
`[.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int`
- `reset (fun () ->`
 `if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")`
 `^ " world"`
`if [.] then "hello" else "hi" : bool -> string`
- `fst (reset (fun () ->`
 `let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))`
`let x = [.] in (x, x) :`
- `string_length (reset (fun () ->`
 `"x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))`

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)
 [.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
         if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")
   ^ " world"
   if [.] then "hello" else "hi" : bool -> string
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))
 let x = [.] in (x, x) : int -> int * int
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
                        "x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))
```

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- `5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`
`[.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int`
- `reset (fun () ->`
 `if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")`
 `^ " world"`
`if [.] then "hello" else "hi" : bool -> string`
- `fst (reset (fun () ->`
 `let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))`
`let x = [.] in (x, x) : int -> int * int`
- `string_length (reset (fun () ->`
 `"x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))`
`"x" ^ string_of_int [.] :`

Exercise

Identify the delimited continuation, and its type.

- `5 * reset (fun () -> [2 * 3] + 3 * 4)`
`[.] + 3 * 4 : int -> int`
- `reset (fun () ->`
 `if [2 = 3] then "hello" else "hi")`
 `^ " world"`
`if [.] then "hello" else "hi" : bool -> string`
- `fst (reset (fun () ->`
 `let x = [1 + 2] in (x, x)))`
`let x = [.] in (x, x) : int -> int * int`
- `string_length (reset (fun () ->`
 `"x" ^ string_of_int [3 + 1]))`
`"x" ^ string_of_int [.] : int -> string`

shift

Syntax

```
shift (fun k ->  $M$ )
```

- It **clears** the current continuation,
- **binds** the cleared continuation to k , and
- **executes** M .

For example:

```
reset (fun () -> 3 + [shift (fun k ->  $M$ )])) - 1
```

We will see a number of examples today.

shift

Syntax

```
shift (fun k ->  $M$ )
```

- It **clears** the current continuation,
- **binds** the cleared continuation to k , and
- **executes** M .

For example:

```
reset (fun () -> [shift (fun k ->  $M$ )])) - 1
```

We will see a number of examples today.

shift

Syntax

```
shift (fun k ->  $M$ )
```

- It **clears** the current continuation,
- **binds** the cleared continuation to k , and
- **executes** M .

For example:

```
reset (fun () -> [shift (fun k ->  $M$ )])) - 1  
k = reset (fun () -> 3 + [.] )
```

We will see a number of examples today.

shift

Syntax

```
shift (fun k ->  $M$ )
```

- It **clears** the current continuation,
- **binds** the cleared continuation to k , and
- **executes** M .

For example:

```
reset (fun () ->  $M$ ) - 1
k = reset (fun () -> 3 + [.] )
```

We will see a number of examples today.

How to discard continuations

```
shift (fun _ -> M)
```

- Captured continuation is discarded.
- The same as raising an exception.

For example:

```
reset (fun () -> 3 + shift (fun _ -> 2)) - 1
reset (fun () ->
      2 ) - 1
      k = reset (fun () -> 3 + [.] )
2 - 1
1
```

Exercise

Replace `[.]` with `shift (fun _ -> M)` for some M .
Try out in your computer to see what happens.

```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [.] + 3 * 4)
```

```
2 reset (fun () ->  
      if [.] then "hello" else "hi")  
  ^ " world"
```

```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->  
             let x = [.] in (x, x)))
```

```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->  
                       "x" ^ string_of_int [.])))
```

Exercise

Replace `[.]` with `shift (fun _ -> M)` for some M .
Try out in your computer to see what happens.

- 1 `5 * reset (fun () -> [.] + 3 * 4)`
`shift (fun _ -> ?)`
- 2 `reset (fun () ->`
 `if [.] then "hello" else "hi")`
`^ " world"`
`shift (fun _ -> ?)`
- 3 `fst (reset (fun () ->`
 `let x = [.] in (x, x)))`
`shift (fun _ -> ?)`
- 4 `string_length (reset (fun () ->`
 `"x" ^ string_of_int [.])))`
`shift (fun _ -> ?)`

Exercise

Replace `[.]` with `shift (fun _ -> M)` for some M .
Try out in your computer to see what happens.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [.] + 3 * 4)
 shift (fun _ -> 3)
```

~> 15
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
      if [.] then "hello" else "hi")
   ^ " world"
   shift (fun _ -> ?)
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [.] in (x, x)))
 shift (fun _ -> ?)
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
      "x" ^ string_of_int [.])))
   shift (fun _ -> ?)
```

Exercise

Replace `[.]` with `shift (fun _ -> M)` for some M .
Try out in your computer to see what happens.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [.] + 3 * 4)
 shift (fun _ -> 3) ~ 15
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
      if [.] then "hello" else "hi")
   ^ " world"
   shift (fun _ -> "chao")                               ~ "chao world"
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [.] in (x, x)))
 shift (fun _ -> ?)
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
      "x" ^ string_of_int [.])))
   shift (fun _ -> ?)
```

Exercise

Replace `[.]` with `shift (fun _ -> M)` for some M .
Try out in your computer to see what happens.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [.] + 3 * 4)
 shift (fun _ -> 3) ~ 15
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
      if [.] then "hello" else "hi")
  ^ " world"
  shift (fun _ -> "chao")                               ~ "chao world"
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [.] in (x, x)))
 shift (fun _ -> (3, 4)) ~ 3
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
      "x" ^ string_of_int [.])))
  shift (fun _ -> ?)
```

Exercise

Replace `[·]` with `shift (fun _ -> M)` for some M .
Try out in your computer to see what happens.

- ```
1 5 * reset (fun () -> [·] + 3 * 4)
 shift (fun _ -> 3) ~> 15
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->
      if [·] then "hello" else "hi")
   ^ " world"
   shift (fun _ -> "chao")                               ~> "chao world"
```
- ```
3 fst (reset (fun () ->
 let x = [·] in (x, x)))
 shift (fun _ -> (3, 4)) ~> 3
```
- ```
4 string_length (reset (fun () ->
      "x" ^ string_of_int [·]))
   shift (fun _ -> "great day!")                       ~> 10
```


Advanced Exercise

The following function multiplies elements of a list:

```
(* times : int list -> int *)  
let rec times lst = match lst with  
  [] -> 1  
  | first :: rest -> first * times rest ;;
```

Add the following clause:

```
| 0 :: rest -> ???
```

so that calls like the following will return 0 without performing any multiplication.

```
reset (fun () -> times [1; 2; 0; 4]) ;;
```

Solution

```
# let rec times lst = match lst with
  [] -> 1
  | 0 :: rest -> shift (fun _ -> 0)
  | first :: rest -> first * times rest ;;
times : int list => int = <fun>
# reset (fun () -> times [1; 2; 0; 4]) ;;
- : int = 0
# reset (fun () -> times [1; 2; 3; 4]) ;;
- : int = 24
#
```

How to extract continuations

```
shift (fun k -> k)
```

- Captured continuation is returned immediately.
- We can play with the captured continuation!

For example: `reset (fun () -> 3 + [...] - 1)`

```
# let f =  
    reset (fun () -> 3 + shift (fun k -> k) - 1) ;;  
f : int => int = <fun>  
# f 10 ;;  
- : int = 12  
#
```

How to extract continuations

```
shift (fun k -> k)
```

- Captured continuation is returned immediately.
- We can play with the captured continuation!

For example: `reset (fun () -> 3 + [...] - 1)`

```
# let f x =  
    reset (fun () -> 3 + shift (fun k -> k) - 1) x ;;  
f : int -> int = <fun>  
# f 10 ;;  
- : int = 12  
#
```

Exercise

Extract the following continuation.

What does it do? Try out in your computer.

- 1 `reset (fun () -> 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4))`
- 2 `reset (fun () ->
 (if [.] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world")`
- 3 `reset (fun () ->
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)))`
- 4 `reset (fun () ->
 string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [.])))`

Exercise

Extract the following continuation.

What does it do? Try out in your computer.

- ```
1 reset (fun () -> 5 * ([.] + 3 * 4))
f 6 ~> 90
```
- ```
2 reset (fun () ->  
  (if [.] then "hello" else "hi") ^ " world")  
f true ~> "hello world"  
f false ~> "hi world"
```
- ```
3 reset (fun () ->
 fst (let x = [.] in (x, x)))
identity function
```
- ```
4 reset (fun () ->  
  string_length ("x" ^ string_of_int [.])))  
f 0 ~> 2, f 10 ~> 3, f 100 ~> 4
```

Advanced Exercise

Here is an identity function on a list:

```
(* id : 'a list -> 'a list *)
let rec id lst = match lst with
  [] -> [] (* A *)
  | first :: rest -> first :: id rest ;;
```

By modifying the line `(* A *)`, extract the continuation at `(* A *)` when called as follows:

```
reset (fun () -> id [1; 2; 3]) ;;
```

What does the extracted continuation do?

Solution

```
# let rec id lst = match lst with
  [] -> shift (fun k -> k)
  | first :: rest -> first :: id rest ;;
id : 'a list => 'a list = <fun>
# let append123 =
  reset (fun () -> id [1; 2; 3]) ;;
append123 : int list => int list = <fun>
# append123 [4; 5; 6] ;;
- : int list = [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6]
#
```


Haskell time

Challenge 1

co-routine

Tree walking

Consider a binary tree of integers:

```
type tree_t = Empty
             | Node of tree_t * int * tree_t
```

We can write a function that traverses over a tree:

```
(* walk : tree_t -> unit *)
let rec walk tree = match tree with
  Empty -> ()
  | Node (t1, n, t2) ->
      walk t1;
      print_int n;
      walk t2 ;;
```

Tree walking

tree1:



For example, we have:

```
# let tree1 =
    Node (Node (Empty, 1, Empty), 2,
          Node (Empty, 3, Empty)) ;;
tree1 : tree_t = ...
# walk tree1 ;;
123- : unit = ()
#
```

Tree walking

Can we write a variant of walk that returns integers one by one?

```
(* walk : tree_t -> unit *)  
let rec walk tree = match tree with  
  Empty -> ()  
  | Node (t1, n, t2) ->  
    walk t1;  
    yield n;  
    walk t2 ;;
```

yield returns n **and** “the way to get more integers”

How to preserve continuations

```
type    result_t =
    Done                (* no more Nodes *)
  | Next of int *
            (unit      ->    result_t      )
```

We can then define `yield` as follows:

```
let yield n = shift (fun k -> Next (n, k))
```

- Captured continuation is preserved in `Next` and returned to the enclosing `reset`.

How to preserve continuations

```
type 'a result_t =  
    Done (* no more Nodes *)  
  | Next of int *  
          (unit / 'a -> 'a result_t / 'a)
```

We can then define `yield` as follows:

```
let yield n = shift (fun k -> Next (n, k))
```

- Captured continuation is preserved in `Next` and returned to the enclosing `reset`.

How to preserve continuations

```
(* start : tree_t -> 'a result_t *)
let start tree =
  reset (fun () -> walk tree; Done) ;;

(* print_nodes : tree_t -> unit *)
let print_nodes tree =
  let rec loop r = match r with
    Done -> ()           (* no more nodes *)
  | Next (n, k) ->
    print_int n;        (* print n *)
    loop (k ()) in     (* and continue *)
  loop (start tree) ;;
```


Exercise

- 1 Try `print_nodes` in your computer.
- 2 Similarly, can you write a function that returns the sum of all the integers in a tree?

```
(* add_tree : tree_t -> int *)  
let add_tree tree =  
    ...
```

Exercise

- 1 Try `print_nodes` in your computer.
- 2 Similarly, can you write a function that returns the sum of all the integers in a tree?

```
(* add_tree : tree_t -> int *)
let add_tree tree =
  let rec loop r = match r with
    Done -> 0
    | Next (n, k) -> n + loop (k ()) in
  loop (start tree) ;;
```

Challenge 1: co-routine

Write a function `same_fringe`.

```
same_fringe tree1 tree2 ;;
```

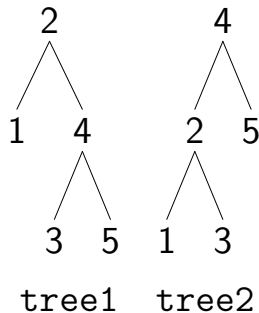
evaluates to true if the 'fringe' of the two trees are the same, and false otherwise.

Note:

When mismatch is detected, we want to return false without further traversing the trees.

(We do not want to flatten trees.)

For example,



Solution

```
(* same_fringe : tree_t -> tree_t -> bool *)
let same_fringe t1 t2 =
  let rec loop r1 r2 = match (r1, r2) with
    (Done, Done) -> true
  | (Next (n1, k1), Next (n2, k2)) ->
      n1 = n2 && loop (k1 ()) (k2 ())
  | (_, _) -> false in
  loop (start t1) (start t2) ;;
```

Challenge 2

printf

Well, we are not going to use libc library...

How to wrap continuations

```
shift (fun k -> fun () -> k "hello")
```

Abort The current computation is aborted with a thunk.

Access It receives () from outside the context.

Resume The aborted computation is resumed with "hello".

For example,

```
reset (fun () ->
```

```
  shift (fun k -> fun () -> k "hello")
  ^ " world" ) ()
```

How to wrap continuations

```
reset (fun () ->
  shift (fun k -> fun () -> k "hello")
  ^ " world") ()
```

```
reset (fun () -> fun () -> k "hello") ()
  k = reset (fun () -> [ ] ^ " world")
```

```
(fun () -> k "hello") ()
```

```
reset (fun () -> "hello" ^ " world")
```

- Code is effectively inserted around reset.

Challenge 2: printf

Fill in the hole so that the following program:

```
reset (fun () -> "hello " ^ [...] ^ "!") "world" ;;
```

would return "hello world!". Can you fill in the following hole:

```
reset (fun () -> "It's " ^ [...] ^ " o'clock!") 8 ;;
```

so that it returns "It's 8 o'clock!"?

Hint: You can use `string_of_int`.

Solution

```
reset (fun () ->
  "hello " ^ shift (fun k -> fun x -> k x) ^ "!")
"world" ;;
```

or even `shift (fun k -> k)` would do.

```
reset (fun () ->
  "It's " ^
  shift (fun k -> fun x -> k (string_of_int x)) ^
  " o'clock!")
8 ;;
```

The same idea can be used to implement a state monad.

Answer type modification

```
reset (fun () ->
  "hello " ^ shift (fun k -> fun x -> k x) ^ "!")
"world" ;;
```

- The body of reset appears to be a string:
reset (fun () -> "hello " ^ [] ^ "!")
- How can we pass an argument "world" to it?
- Because shift replaces the context with:
fun x -> k x

Answer type changes from: string
to: string -> string.

Challenge 3

search

How to duplicate continuations

```
let either a b =  
    shift (fun k -> k a; k b) ;;
```

- Captured continuation is used twice.
- The caller of `either` receives both `a` and `b`.

```
# reset (fun () ->  
    let x = either 0 1 in  
    print_int x; print_newline ()) ;;  
  
0  
1  
- : unit = ()  
#
```

Generate and test

Is the following logical formula satisfiable?

$$(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee \neg Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$$

```
# reset (fun () ->
  let p = either true false in
  let q = either true false in
  if (p || q) && (p || not q) && (not p || not q)
  then (print_string (string_of_bool p);
        print_string ", ";
        print_string (string_of_bool q);
        print_newline ())) ;;
true, false
- : unit = ()
#
```

Challenge 3: search

- 1 Define a recursive function `choice` that receives a list of values and returns all the elements of the list to the continuation one after the other.
- 2 Using `choice`, define a function that searches for three natural numbers between 1 and 5 that satisfy the Pythagorean theorem:

$$\text{Find: } 1 \leq x, y, z \leq 5, \text{ s.t. } x^2 + y^2 = z^2.$$

```
(* choice : 'a list => 'a *)
let choice lst =
  let rec loop k lst = match lst with
    [] -> ()
    | first :: rest -> k first; loop k rest in
  shift (fun k -> loop k lst) ;;

(* search : unit => unit *)
let search () =
  let x = choice [1; 2; 3; 4; 5] in
  let y = choice [1; 2; 3; 4; 5] in
  let z = choice [1; 2; 3; 4; 5] in
  if x * x + y * y = z * z
  then (print_int x; print_string " ";
        print_int y; print_string " ";
        print_int z; print_newline ()) ;;
```

How to use `shift/reset` in other languages

Scheme Racket and Gauche support `shift/reset`.

Haskell Delimcc Library.

Scala Implementation via selective CPS translation.

OCaml Delimcc Library or emulation via `call/cc`.

Happy programming with
`shift` and `reset`!