COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part IA – 2005 – Paper 1

6 Foundations of Computer Science (LCP)

This question has been translated from Standard ML to OCaml

Consider a variant type of binary trees where both leaves and branches carry labels:

A *path* in a binary tree is a series of labels proceeding from the root to a leaf, as shown in the diagram:



Consider the problem of finding a path in a binary tree such that the integer sum of the labels satisfies a given property. (In the example above, the highlighted path sums to a prime number.)

- (a) Write an OCaml function find_path such that find_path p t returns some path in t whose sum satisfies the boolean-valued function p. If no such path exists, the function should raise an exception. [5 marks]
- (b) Write an OCaml function all_paths such that all_paths p t returns the list of all paths in t whose sums satisfy the boolean-valued function p. [6 marks]
- (c) Write an OCaml function all_pathq that is analogous to all_paths but returns a lazy list of paths. For full credit, your function should find paths upon demand rather than all at once. [Hint: try adding solutions to an accumulating argument.]
 [9 marks]