

Structural Induction: Tutorial sheet 3

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1. Prove the following by induction on n :

(a) Show that `sumOddCubes n < 2n4` for all $n \geq 1$:

```
sumOddCubes :: Int -> Int
-- Pre-condition: n >= 1
sumOddCubes 1 = 1
sumOddCubes n = (2*n-1)^3 + (sumOddCubes (n-1))
```

(b) Show that `sumChoices n = 2n - 1`, for all $n \geq 1$, where

```
sumChoices :: Integer -> Integer
-- Pre-condition: n >= 1
sumChoices n = sum [choose (n,r) | r <- [1..n]]

choose :: (Integer, Integer) -> Integer
-- Pre-condition: n >= r and n, r >= 0
choose (n, r) = div (factorial n) ((factorial r)
                                   * (factorial (n-r)))

factorial :: Integer -> Integer
-- Pre-condition: n >= 1
factorial 0 = 1
factorial n = product [1..n]
```

To relate your induction step to your induction assumption, you may use the fact that for all $1 \leq r \leq n$:

$$\text{choose } (n + 1, r) = \text{choose } (n, r) + \text{choose } (n, r - 1)$$

without proof.

2. Show, using structural induction, that for all $ts :: BTree\ a$:

$$(\text{numBTelem } ts) = \text{length } (\text{flattenTree } ts)$$

```

data BTree a
  = BEmpty
  | BNode (BTree a) a (BTree a)

flattenTree :: BTree a -> [a]
flattenTree BEmpty = []
flattenTree (BNode lhs i rhs)
  = (flattenTree lhs) ++ [i]
  ++ (flattenTree rhs)

numBTelem :: BTree a -> Int
numBTelem BEmpty = 0
numBTelem (BNode lhs x rhs) = 1 + (numBTelem lhs)
                               + (numBTelem rhs)

length :: [a] -> Int
length [] = 0
length (x:xs) = 1 + (length xs)

```

You may assume the property: $\text{length } (xs ++ ys) = \text{length } xs + \text{length } ys$

3. Inductions over functions with multiple parameters sometimes (not always) require several induction arguments. For instance, in being asked to prove: for all x , for all y , show $F(x, y)$, for some proposition F . In performing induction over the first variable, x , you would start with the proposition $P(x) = \text{for all } y, F(x, y)$. In trying to prove the base case, $P(0)$, it may be that a second induction argument is required, i.e. an induction argument over y when $x = 0$. It may also be the case that the induction step $P(k + 1)$ requires a further induction argument, again over y and this time when $x = k + 1$.

The program below is Ackermann's function.

```

ack :: Int -> Int -> Int
-- Pre-condition: m >= 0 and n >= 0
ack m n
  | (m == 0) && (n >= 0) = n+1
  | (m > 0) && (n == 0)  = ack (m-1) 1
  | (m > 0) && (n > 0)   = ack (m-1) (ack m (n-1))

```

Prove that:

for all $m \geq 0$, for all $n \geq 0$, $(\text{ack } m\ n)$ terminates

As usual, take your induction proposition to be:

$$P(m) = \text{for all } n \geq 0, (\text{ack } m \ n) \text{ terminates}$$

and perform induction on m . You will find the base case does not require a further induction, however the induction step does. You will need to remember that the induction assumption, $P(k)$, from the induction over m applies to the entire induction argument over n in the induction step.

You may find it useful to create a second proposition:

$$Q(n) = (\text{ack } (k + 1) \ n) \text{ terminates}$$

at the appropriate moment in your argument.

Why does a single induction over just m fail?

4. Prove $P(xs)$ for all lists, xs :

$$\begin{aligned} P(xs) &= Q(xs) \wedge R(xs) \\ Q(xs) &= x \notin \text{filterX } x \ xs \\ R(xs) &= (\text{there exists } qs \text{ such that } (\text{merge } qs \ (\text{filterX } x \ xs)) = xs) \\ &\quad \wedge \text{for all } q \in qs \Rightarrow q = x \end{aligned}$$

by proving $Q(xs)$ and $R(xs)$ by induction separately.

```
filterX :: (Ord a, Eq a) => a -> [a] -> [a]
-- Pre-condition: input list should be in ascending order
filterX x [] = []
filterX x (y:ys)
  | (x == y) = filterX x ys
  | otherwise = y : filterX x ys

merge :: Ord a => [a] -> [a] -> [a]
merge [] ys = ys
merge xs [] = xs
merge (x:xs) (y:ys)
  | x < y      = x : (merge xs (y:ys))
  | otherwise  = y : (merge (x:xs) ys)
```

5. A datatype `Ball` is defined such that `+` and `*` are defined for any pair of variables of type `Ball`:

```
data Ball = ...

instance Num Ball where
  (*) :: Ball -> Ball -> Ball
  b1 * b2 = ...
  (+) :: Ball -> Ball -> Ball
  b1 + b2 = ...
```

Also for any `b :: Ball` and positive integer, n : $nb = \overbrace{b + b + \dots + b}^n$

A function `compD` has the datatype `compD :: Ball -> Ball`.

You do not need to know how `compD`, `+` or `*` are implemented or the details of how a `Ball` is represented. All you are given is the following properties of `compD`; for any `h1, h2 :: Ball`:

```
compD (h1 * h2) = (h1 * (compD h2)) + ((compD h1) * h2)
```

and for n, m integers, `compD` is linear, i.e. :

```
compD (n * h1 + m * h2) = n * (compD h1) + m * (compD h2)
```

The function `applyND` applies `compD` n times to a `Ball`:

```
applyND :: Ball -> Int -> Ball
applyND b 0 = b
applyND b n = compD (applyND b (n-1))
```

Show by induction on n , that for any two balls f, g , the following property holds for all $n \geq 1$:

$$\text{applyND } (f * g) \ n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} (\text{applyND } f \ (n-r)) * (\text{applyND } g \ r)$$

where:

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

You are allowed to use the fact that for $1 \leq r \leq n$:

$$\binom{n}{r} + \binom{n}{r-1} = \binom{n+1}{r}$$

without proof.