

Functional Programming

Practicals for 2. Definition and Proof by Induction

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1 Exercises

1. Prove the (very useful) *map*-fusion law: $\text{map } f \cdot \text{map } g = \text{map } (f \cdot g)$.
2. Prove that *length* distributes into (*++*):

$$\text{length } (xs ++ ys) = \text{length } xs + \text{length } ys \ .$$

Solution: Prove by induction on the structure of *xs*.

Case $xs := []$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{length } ([] ++ ys) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } (++) \} \\ & \text{length } ys \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } (+) \} \\ & 0 + \text{length } ys \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{length} \} \\ & \text{length } [] + \text{length } ys \end{aligned}$$

Case $xs := x : xs$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{length } ((x : xs) \# ys) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } (\#) \} \\ & \text{length } (x : (xs \# ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{length} \} \\ & 1 + \text{length } (xs \# ys) \\ = & \{ \text{by induction} \} \\ & 1 + \text{length } xs + \text{length } ys \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{length} \} \\ & \text{length } (x : xs) + \text{length } ys \end{aligned}$$

Note that we in fact omitted one step using the associativity of $(+)$.

3. Prove: $sum \cdot concat = sum \cdot map \text{ sum}$. **Hint:** you will need a lemma stating that sum distributes over $\#$. Write down that lemma and prove it too.

Solution: By extensional equality, $sum \cdot concat = sum \cdot map \text{ sum}$ if and only if

$$(sum \cdot concat) \ xss = (sum \cdot map \text{ sum}) \ xss,$$

for all xss , which, by definition of (\cdot) , is equivalent to

$$sum (concat \ xss) = sum (map \text{ sum} \ xss),$$

which we will prove by induction on xss .

Case $xss := []$:

$$\begin{aligned} & sum (concat []) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } concat \} \\ & sum [] \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } map \} \\ & sum (map \text{ sum} []) \end{aligned}$$

Case $xss := xs : xss$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{sum } (\text{concat } (xs : xss)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{concat} \} \\ & \text{sum } (xs \text{ ++ } (\text{concat } xss)) \\ = & \{ \text{lemma: } \text{sum} \text{ distributes over } \text{++} \} \\ & \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } (\text{concat } xss) \\ = & \{ \text{by induction} \} \\ & \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } (\text{map sum } xss) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{sum} \} \\ & \text{sum } (\text{sum } xs : \text{map sum } xss) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{map} \} \\ & \text{sum } (\text{map sum } (xs : xss)). \end{aligned}$$

The lemma that *sum* distributes over ++, that is,

$$\text{sum } (xs \text{ ++ } ys) = \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } ys,$$

needs a separate proof by induction. Here it goes:

Case $xs := []$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{sum } ([] \text{ ++ } ys) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{++} \} \\ & \text{sum } ys \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{+} \} \\ & 0 + \text{sum } ys \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{sum} \} \\ & \text{sum } [] + \text{sum } ys. \end{aligned}$$

Case $xs := x : xs$:

$$\begin{aligned} & sum ((x : xs) \# ys) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } (\#) \} \\ & sum (x : (xs \# ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } sum \} \\ & x + sum (xs \# ys) \\ = & \{ \text{induction} \} \\ & x + (sum xs + sum ys) \\ = & \{ \text{since } (+) \text{ is associative} \} \\ & (x + sum xs) + sum ys \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } sum \} \\ & sum (x : xs) + sum ys. \end{aligned}$$

4. Prove: $filter\ p \cdot map\ f = map\ f \cdot filter\ (p \cdot f)$.

Hint: for calculation, it might be easier to use this definition of *filter*:

$$\begin{aligned} filter\ p\ [] &= [] \\ filter\ p\ (x : xs) &= \mathbf{if}\ p\ x\ \mathbf{then}\ x : filter\ p\ xs \\ &\quad \mathbf{else}\ filter\ p\ xs \end{aligned}$$

and use the law that in the world of total functions we have:

$$f\ (\mathbf{if}\ q\ \mathbf{then}\ e_1\ \mathbf{else}\ e_2) = \mathbf{if}\ q\ \mathbf{then}\ f\ e_1\ \mathbf{else}\ f\ e_2$$

You may also carry out the proof using the definition of *filter* using guards:

$$\begin{aligned} \dots \\ filter\ p\ (x : xs) &| p\ x = \dots \\ &| \mathbf{otherwise} = \dots \end{aligned}$$

You will then have to distinguish between the two cases: $p\ x$ and $\neg(p\ x)$, which makes the proof more fragmented. Both proofs are okay, however.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & filter\ p \cdot map\ f = map\ f \cdot filter\ (p \cdot f) \\ \equiv & \{ \text{extensional equality} \} \\ & (\forall xs :: (filter\ p \cdot map\ f)\ xs = (map\ f \cdot filter\ (p \cdot f))\ xs) \\ \equiv & \{ \text{definition of } (\cdot) \} \\ & (\forall xs :: filter\ p\ (map\ f\ xs) = map\ f\ (filter\ (p \cdot f)\ xs)). \end{aligned}$$

We proceed by induction on xs .

Case $xs := []$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{filter } p \text{ (map } f \text{ [])} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{map} \} \\
 & \text{filter } p \text{ []} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{filter} \} \\
 & [] \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{map} \} \\
 & \text{map } f \text{ []} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{filter} \} \\
 & \text{map } f \text{ (filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ [])}
 \end{aligned}$$

Case $xs := x : xs$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{filter } p \text{ (map } f \text{ (} x : xs \text{))} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{map} \} \\
 & \text{filter } p \text{ (} f \text{ } x : \text{map } f \text{ } xs \text{)} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{filter} \} \\
 & \text{if } p \text{ (} f \text{ } x \text{) then } f \text{ } x : \text{filter } p \text{ (map } f \text{ } xs) \text{ else } \text{filter } p \text{ (map } f \text{ } xs) \\
 = & \{ \text{induction hypothesis} \} \\
 & \text{if } p \text{ (} f \text{ } x \text{) then } f \text{ } x : \text{map } f \text{ (filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs) \text{ else } \text{map } f \text{ (filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs) \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{map} \} \\
 & \text{if } p \text{ (} f \text{ } x \text{) then } \text{map } f \text{ (} x : \text{filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs) \text{ else } \text{map } f \text{ (filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs) \\
 = & \{ \text{since } f \text{ (if } q \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2) = \text{if } q \text{ then } f \text{ } e_1 \text{ else } f \text{ } e_2 \} \\
 & \text{map } f \text{ (if } p \text{ (} f \text{ } x \text{) then } x : \text{filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs \text{ else } \text{filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs) \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } (\cdot) \} \\
 & \text{map } f \text{ (if } (p \cdot f) \text{ } x \text{ then } x : \text{filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs \text{ else } \text{filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ } xs) \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{filter} \} \\
 & \text{map } f \text{ (filter } (p \cdot f) \text{ (} x : xs \text{))}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Reflecting on the law we used in the previous exercise:

$$f \text{ (if } q \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2) = \text{if } q \text{ then } f \text{ } e_1 \text{ else } f \text{ } e_2$$

Can you think of a counterexample to the law above, when we allow the presence of \perp ?
 What additional constraint shall we impose on f to make the law true?

Solution: Let $f = \text{const } 1$ (where $\text{const } x y = x$), and $q = \perp$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{const } 1 \text{ (if } \perp \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2) \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{const} \} \\
 & 1 \\
 \neq & \perp \\
 = & \{ \text{if is strict on the conditional expression} \} \\
 & \text{if } \perp \text{ then } f e_1 \text{ else } f e_2
 \end{aligned}$$

The rule is restored if f is strict, that is, $f \perp = \perp$.

6. Prove: $\text{take } n \text{ xs} \text{ ++ drop } n \text{ xs} = \text{xs}$, for all n and xs .

Solution: By induction on n , then induction on xs .

Case $n := 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{take } 0 \text{ xs} \text{ ++ drop } 0 \text{ xs} \\
 = & \{ \text{definitions of } \text{take} \text{ and } \text{drop} \} \\
 & [] \text{ ++ xs} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } (++) \} \quad \text{xs.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Case $n := \mathbf{1}_+ n$ and $\text{xs} := []$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{take } (\mathbf{1}_+ n) [] \text{ ++ drop } (\mathbf{1}_+ n) [] \\
 = & \{ \text{definitions of } \text{take} \text{ and } \text{drop} \} \\
 & [] \text{ ++} [] \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } (++) \} \\
 & [].
 \end{aligned}$$

Case $n := \mathbf{1}_+ n$ and $\text{xs} := x : \text{xs}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{take } (\mathbf{1}_+ n) (x : \text{xs}) \text{ ++ drop } (\mathbf{1}_+ n) (x : \text{xs}) \\
 = & \{ \text{definitions of } \text{take} \text{ and } \text{drop} \} \\
 & (x : \text{take } n \text{ xs}) \text{ ++ drop } n \text{ xs} \\
 = & \{ \text{definition of } (++) \} \\
 & x : \text{take } n \text{ xs} \text{ ++ drop } n \text{ xs} \\
 = & \{ \text{induction} \} \\
 & x : \text{xs.}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Define a function $fan :: a \rightarrow List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a)$ such that $fan\ x\ xs$ inserts x into the 0th, 1st... n th positions of xs , where n is the length of xs . For example:

$$fan\ 5\ [1, 2, 3, 4] = [[5, 1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 5, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 5, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3, 5, 4], [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]] \ .$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} fan & :: a \rightarrow List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a) \\ fan\ x\ [] & = [[x]] \\ fan\ x\ (y : ys) & = (x : y : ys) : map\ (y :) (fan\ x\ ys) \end{aligned}$$

8. Prove: $map\ (map\ f) \cdot fan\ x = fan\ (f\ x) \cdot map\ f$, for all f and x . **Hint:** you will need the map -fusion law, and to spot that $map\ f \cdot (y :) = (f\ y :) \cdot map\ f$ (why?).

Solution: This is equivalent to proving that, for all f , x , and xs :

$$map\ (map\ f) (fan\ x\ xs) = fan\ (f\ x) (map\ f\ xs) \ .$$

Induction on xs .

Case $xs := []$:

$$\begin{aligned} & map\ (map\ f) (fan\ x\ []) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } fan \} \\ & map\ (map\ f) [[x]] \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } map \} \\ & [[f\ x]] \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } fan \} \\ & fan\ (f\ x)\ [] \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } fan \} \\ & fan\ (f\ x)\ (map\ f\ []) \ . \end{aligned}$$

Case $xs := y : ys$:

$$\begin{aligned} & map\ (map\ f) (fan\ x\ (y : ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } fan \} \\ & map\ (map\ f) ((x : y : ys) : map\ (y :) (fan\ x\ ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } map \} \\ & map\ f\ (x : y : ys) : map\ (map\ f) (map\ (y :) (fan\ x\ ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{map-fusion} \} \\ & map\ f\ (x : y : ys) : map\ (map\ f \cdot (y :)) (fan\ x\ ys) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } map \} \\ & map\ f\ (x : y : ys) : map\ ((f\ y :) \cdot map\ f) (fan\ x\ ys) \\ = & \{ \text{map-fusion} \} \\ & map\ f\ (x : y : ys) : map\ (f\ y :) (map\ (map\ f) (fan\ x\ ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{induction} \} \\ & map\ f\ (x : y : ys) : map\ (f\ y :) (fan\ (f\ x) (map\ f\ ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } map \} \text{ Page 7} \\ & (f\ x : f\ y : map\ f\ ys) : map\ (f\ y :) (fan\ (f\ x) (map\ f\ ys)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } fan \} \\ & fan\ (f\ x) (f\ y : map\ f\ ys) \end{aligned}$$

9. Define $perms :: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a)$ that returns all permutations of the input list. For example:

$$perms\ [1, 2, 3] = [[1, 2, 3], [2, 1, 3], [2, 3, 1], [1, 3, 2], [3, 1, 2], [3, 2, 1]] \ .$$

You will need several auxiliary functions defined in the lectures and in the exercises.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} perms &:: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a) \\ perms\ [] &= [[]] \\ perms\ (x : xs) &= concat\ (map\ (fan\ x)\ (perms\ xs)) \end{aligned}$$

10. Prove: $map\ (map\ f) \cdot perm = perm \cdot map\ f$. You may need previously proved results as lemmas.
11. The function $splits :: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a, List\ a)$ returns all the ways a list can be split into two. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} splits\ [1, 2, 3, 4] &= [([], [1, 2, 3, 4]), ([1], [2, 3, 4]), ([1, 2], [3, 4]), \\ &\quad ([1, 2, 3], [4]), ([1, 2, 3, 4], [])] \ . \end{aligned}$$

Define $splits$ inductively on the input list. **Hint:** you may find it useful to define, in a **where**-clause, an auxiliary function $f\ (ys, zs) = \dots$ that matches pairs. Or you may simply use $(\lambda\ (ys, zs) \rightarrow \dots)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} splits &:: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a, List\ a) \\ splits\ [] &= [([], [])] \\ splits\ (x : xs) &= ([], x : xs) : map\ cons1\ (splits\ xs) \ , \\ &\quad \mathbf{where}\ cons1\ (ys, zs) = (x : ys, zs) \ . \end{aligned}$$

If you know how to use λ expressions, you may:

$$\begin{aligned} splits &:: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a, List\ a) \\ splits\ [] &= [([], [])] \\ splits\ (x : xs) &= ([], x : xs) : map\ (\lambda\ (ys, zs) \rightarrow (x : ys, zs))\ (splits\ xs) \ . \end{aligned}$$

12. An *interleaving* of two lists xs and ys is a permutation of the elements of both lists such that the members of xs appear in their original order, and so does the members of ys . Define $interleave :: List\ a \rightarrow List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a)$ such that $interleave\ xs\ ys$ is the list of interleaving of xs and ys . For example, $interleave\ [1, 2, 3]\ [4, 5]$ yields:

$$[[1, 2, 3, 4, 5], [1, 2, 4, 3, 5], [1, 2, 4, 5, 3], [1, 4, 2, 3, 5], [1, 4, 2, 5, 3], \\ [1, 4, 5, 2, 3], [4, 1, 2, 3, 5], [4, 1, 2, 5, 3], [4, 1, 5, 2, 3], [4, 5, 1, 2, 3]].$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} interleave &:: List\ a \rightarrow List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a) \\ interleave\ []\ ys &= [ys] \\ interleave\ xs\ [] &= [xs] \\ interleave\ (x : xs)\ (y : ys) &= map\ (x :) (interleave\ xs\ (y : ys)) \# \\ &\quad map\ (y :) (interleave\ (x : xs)\ ys) . \end{aligned}$$

13. A list ys is a *sublist* of xs if we can obtain ys by removing zero or more elements from xs . For example, $[2, 4]$ is a sublist of $[1, 2, 3, 4]$, while $[3, 2]$ is *not*. The list of all sublists of $[1, 2, 3]$ is:

$$[], [3], [2], [2, 3], [1], [1, 3], [1, 2], [1, 2, 3]].$$

Define a function $sublist :: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a)$ that computes the list of all sublists of the given list. **Hint:** to form a sublist of xs , each element of xs could either be kept or dropped.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} sublist &:: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a) \\ sublist\ [] &= [[]] \\ sublist\ (x : xs) &= xss \# map\ (x :) xss , \\ &\quad \mathbf{where}\ xss = sublist\ xs . \end{aligned}$$

The righthand side could be $sublist\ xs \# map\ (x :) (sublist\ xs)$ (but it could be much slower).

14. Consider the following datatype for internally labelled binary trees:

$$\mathbf{data}\ Tree\ a = \mathbf{Null} \mid \mathbf{Node}\ a\ (Tree\ a)\ (Tree\ a) .$$

- (a) Given $(\downarrow) :: Nat \rightarrow Nat \rightarrow Nat$, which yields the smaller one of its arguments, define $minT :: Tree Nat \rightarrow Nat$, which computes the minimal element in a tree. (Note: (\downarrow) is actually called min in the standard library. In the lecture we use the symbol (\downarrow) to be brief.)

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} minT &:: Tree Nat \rightarrow Nat \\ minT \text{ Null} &= maxBound \\ minT (\text{Node } x \ t \ u) &= x \downarrow minT \ t \downarrow minT \ u \ . \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Define $mapT :: (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Tree a \rightarrow Tree b$, which applies the functional argument to each element in a tree.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} mapT &:: (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Tree a \rightarrow Tree b \\ mapT \ f \ \text{Null} &= \text{Null} \\ mapT \ f \ (\text{Node } x \ t \ u) &= \text{Node } (f \ x) \ (mapT \ f \ t) \ (mapT \ f \ u) \ . \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Can you define (\downarrow) inductively on Nat ?

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (\downarrow) &:: Nat \rightarrow Nat \rightarrow Nat \\ 0 \downarrow n &= 0 \\ (\mathbf{1}_+m) \downarrow 0 &= 0 \\ (\mathbf{1}_+m) \downarrow (\mathbf{1}_+n) &= \mathbf{1}_+ (m \downarrow n) \ . \end{aligned}$$

- (d) Prove that for all n and t , $minT (mapT (n+) t) = n + minT t$. That is, $minT \cdot mapT (n+) = (n+) \cdot minT$.

Solution: Induction on t .

Case $t := \text{Null}$. Omitted.

Case $t := \text{Node } x \ t \ u$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minT } (\text{mapT } (n+) \ (\text{Node } x \ t \ u)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{mapT} \} \\ & \text{minT } (\text{Node } (n+x) \ (\text{mapT } (n+) \ t) \ (\text{mapT } (n+) \ u)) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{minT} \} \\ & (n+x) \downarrow \text{minT } (\text{mapT } (n+) \ t) \downarrow \text{minT } (\text{mapT } (n+) \ u) \\ = & \{ \text{by induction} \} \\ & (n+x) \downarrow (n + \text{minT } t) \downarrow (n + \text{minT } u) \\ = & \{ \text{lemma: } (n+x) \downarrow (n+y) = n + (x \downarrow y) \} \\ & n + (x \downarrow \text{minT } t \downarrow \text{minT } u) \\ = & \{ \text{definition of } \text{minT} \} \\ & n + \text{minT } (\text{Node } x \ t \ u) \ . \end{aligned}$$

The lemma $(n+x) \downarrow (n+y) = n + (x \downarrow y)$ can be proved by induction on n , using inductive definitions of $(+)$ and (\downarrow) .