

CSE 331

Loops & Recursion

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Checking Correctness with Loop Invariants

```
  {{ P }}  
  {{ Inv: I }}  
  while (cond) {  
    S  
  }  
  {{ Q }}
```

Formally, invariant split this into three Hoare triples:

1. $\{\{ P \}\} \{\{ I \}\}$ **I holds initially**
2. $\{\{ I \text{ and } \text{cond} \}\} S \{\{ I \}\}$ **S preserves I**
3. $\{\{ I \text{ and not cond} \}\} \{\{ Q \}\}$ **Q holds when loop exits**

Example Loop Correctness

- Recursive function to calculate $1 + 2 + \dots + n$

```
func sum-to(0) := 0
sum-to(n+1) := sum-to(n) + (n+1)    for any  $n : \mathbb{N}$ 
```

- This loop claims to calculate it as well

```
{{ }}
let i: number = 0;
let s: number = 0;
{{ Inv: s = sum-to(i) }}
while (i != n) {
  i = i + 1;
  s = s + i;
}
{{ s = sum-to(n) }}
```

Easy to get this wrong!

- might be initializing "i" wrong ($i = 1$?)
- might be exiting at the wrong time ($i \neq n-1$?)
- might have the assignments in wrong order
- ...

Fact that we need to check 3 implications is a strong indication that more bugs are possible.

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```

- This loop claims to calculate it as well

```
  {{ }}
  let i: number = 0;
  let s: number = 0;
  ↓ {{ i = 0 and s = 0 }}
  {{ Inv: s = sum-to(i) }}
  while (i != n) {
    ...
  }
```

]

sum-to(i)
= sum-to(0)
= 0
= s

since $i = 0$
def of sum-to
since $s = 0$

Example Loop Correctness

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```
func sum-to(0) := 0
sum-to(n+1) := (n+1) + sum-to(n)    for any  $n : \mathbb{N}$ 
```

- This loop claims to calculate it as well

```
{ { Inv:  $s = \text{sum-to}(i)$  } }
while (i != n) {
  { {  $s = \text{sum-to}(i)$  and  $i \neq n$  } }
  i = i + 1;
  s = s + i;
  { {  $s = \text{sum-to}(i)$  } }
}
```

Example Loop Correctness

- Recursive function to calculate $1 + 2 + \dots + n$

`func sum-to(0) := 0`
`sum-to(n+1) := (n+1) + sum-to(n)` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- This loop claims to calculate it as well

`{{ Inv: s = sum-to(i) }}` $\text{sum-to}(i+1) = (i+1) + \text{sum-to}(i)$ **def of sum-to**
`while (i != n) {` $= (i+1) + s$ **since s = sum-to(i)**
 `{{ s = sum-to(i) and i ≠ n }}` **]**
 `{{ s + i + 1 = sum-to(i+1) }}`
 `i = i + 1;`
 `{{ s + i = sum-to(i) }}`
 `s = s + i;`
 `{{ s = sum-to(i) }}`
`}`

Example Loop Correctness

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```
func sum-to(0) := 0
sum-to(n+1) := (n+1) + sum-to(n)    for any  $n : \mathbb{N}$ 
```

- This loop claims to calculate it as well

```
{ { Inv:  $s = \text{sum-to}(i)$  } }
while (i != n) {
  i = i + 1;
  s = s + i;
}
```

```
{ {  $s = \text{sum-to}(i)$  and  $i = n$  } } ]
{ {  $s = \text{sum-to}(n)$  } } ]
```

$\text{sum-to}(n)$
= $\text{sum-to}(i)$
= s

since $i = n$
since $s = \text{sum-to}(i)$

Termination

- **This analysis does not check that the code terminates**
 - it shows that the postcondition holds if the loop exits
 - but we never showed that the loop does exit
- **Termination follows from the running time analysis**
 - e.g., if the code runs in $O(n^2)$ time, then it terminates
 - an infinite loop would be $O(\text{infinity})$
 - any finite bound on the running time proves it terminates
- **Normal to also analyze the running time of our code, and we get termination already from that analysis**

Loops and Recursion

Loops and Recursion

- In order to check a loop, we need a loop invariant
- Where does this come from?
 - part of the algorithm idea / design
 - see 421 for more discussion
- Today, we'll focus on converting *recursion* into a loop
 - HW5 will fit these patterns
 - (more loops later)

Example Loop Correctness

- **Recursive function to calculate n^2 without multiply**

```
func square(0) := 0
square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1      for any n :  $\mathbb{N}$ 
```

- **We already proved that this calculates n^2**
 - we can implement it directly with recursion
- **Let's try writing it with a loop instead...**

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- Loop implementation

```
let i: number = 0;
let s: number = 0;
while (i != n) {
  s = s + i + i + 1;
  i = i + 1;
}
return s; // = square(n)
```

Needs a loop invariant!

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- **Loop implementation**

```
let i: number = 0;
let s: number = 0;
{{ Inv: s = square(i) }}
while (i != n) {
  s = s + i + i + 1;
  i = i + 1;
}
return s;
```

Loop invariant says how i and s relate
 s holds `square(i)`, whatever i

i starts at 0 and increases to n

Now we can check correctness...

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- Loop implementation

```
  {{{}}
  ↓
  let i: number = 0;
  let s: number = 0;
  {{ i = 0 and s = 0 }}
  {{ Inv: s = square(i) }}
  while (i != n) {
    s = s + i + i + 1;
    i = i + 1;
  }
  return s;
```

square(i)
= square(0)
= 0
= s

since $i = 0$
def of square
since $s = 0$

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- **Loop implementation**

```
  {{ Inv: s = square(i) }}  
  while (i != n) {  
    {{ s = square(i) and i ≠ n }}  
    s = s + i + i + 1;  
    i = i + 1;  
    {{ s = square(i) }}  
  }  
  return s;
```

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- **Loop implementation**

```
  {{ Inv: s = square(i) }}  
  while (i != n) {  
    {{ s = square(i) and i ≠ n }}  
    {{ s + 2i + 1 = square(i+1) }}  
    s = s + i + i + 1;  
    {{ s = square(i+1) }}  
    i = i + 1;  
    {{ s = square(i) }}  
  }  
  return s;
```

$s + 2i + 1 = \text{square}(i) + 2i + 1$ since $s = \text{square}(i)$
 $= \text{square}(i+1)$ def of square

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- **Loop implementation**

```

{{ Inv: s = square(i) }}
while (i != n) {
  {{ s = square(i) and i ≠ n }}
  s = s + i + i + 1;
  {{ s - 2i - 1 = square(i) and i ≠ n }}
  i = i + 1;
  {{ s - 2(i - 1) - 1 = square(i - 1) and i - 1 ≠ n }}
  {{ s = square(i) }}
}
return s;

```

$s - 2(i - 1) - 1 = \text{square}(i - 1)$
or equiv $s = \text{square}(i - 1) + 2(i - 1) + 1$

$\text{square}(i)$
 $= \text{square}(i - 1) + 2(i - 1) + 1$ **def of square**
 $= s$ **since** $s = \text{square}(i - 1) + \dots$

Example Loop Correctness

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- Loop implementation

```
let i: number = 0;
let s: number = 0;
{{ Inv: s = square(i) }}
while (i != n) {
  s = s + i + i + 1;
  i = i + 1;
}
{{ s = square(i) and i = n }}
{{ s = square(n) }}
return s;
```

square(n)
= square(i)
= s

since $i = n$
since $s = \text{square}(i)$

“Bottom Up” Loops

- Previous examples store function value in a variable

`{{ Inv: s = sum-to(i) }}`

`{{ Inv: s = square(i) }}`

- Start with $i = 0$ and work up to $i = n$
- Call this a “bottom up” implementation
 - calculates from the base case up to the full input
 - evaluates in the same order as recursion

“Bottom Up” Loops on the Natural Numbers

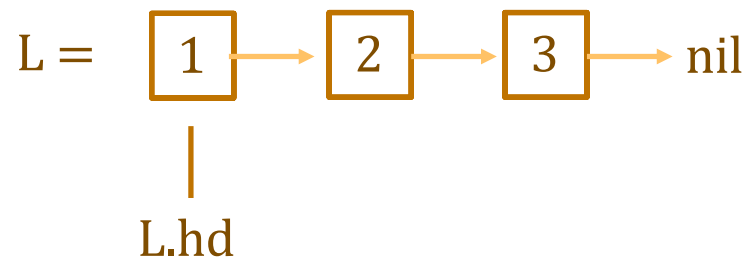
`func f(0) := ...`
`f(n+1) := ... f(n) ...` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- Can be implemented with a loop like this

```
function f(n: number): number {  
  let i: number = 0;  
  let s: number = "..."; // = f(0)  
  {{ Inv: s = f(i) }}  
  while (i != n) {  
    s = "...f(i) ..." [f(i) ↦ s] // = f(i+1)  
    i = i + 1;  
  }  
  return s;  
}
```

“Bottom Up” Loops

- **Works nicely on \mathbb{N}**
 - start at 0 and work up to $n : \mathbb{N}$
- **Does not work nicely on Lists**
 - build `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))` from nil then 3, 2, 1
 - don't have easy access to 3 at the start (only 1 is easy to get)



“Top Down” Loops

- **Can try to work “top down” instead**
 - start at n and work down to 0
 - start at full list and work down to nil

- **Next two examples:**
 - we will do this first for \mathbb{N} (as a demonstration only)
 - bottom-up is the preferred way to write loops on \mathbb{N}
 - then we will do this on Lists

“Bottom Up” Computation

```
let i: number = 0;
let s: number = 0;
while (i != n) {
  s = s + i + i + 1;
  i = i + 1;
}
```

- Operates as follows:

i	s	
0	0	= square(0)
1	0 + (2·0 + 1)	= square(1)
2	0 + (2·0 + 1) + (2·1 + 1)	= square(2)
3	0 + (2·0 + 1) + (2·1 + 1) + (2·2 + 1)	= square(3)

$$\text{square}(n) = 0 + (2 \cdot 0 + 1) + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot n + 1)$$

“Top Down” Computation

- “Top down” starts by adding large values
 - it operates as follows:

i	s
n	0
n - 1	(2·n + 1)
n - 2	(2·n + 1) + (2·(n-1) + 1)
n - 3	(2·n + 1) + (2·(n-1) + 1) + (2·(n-2) + 1)

≠ square(k)
for any k

- how do we describe what we have calculated?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{square}(n) &= 0 + (2 \cdot 0 + 1) + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot n + 1) \\ &= \underbrace{[0 + (2 \cdot 0 + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot (n - k - 1) + 1)]}_{\text{square}(n - k - 1)} + \underbrace{[(2 \cdot (n - k) + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot n + 1)]}_s\end{aligned}$$

“Top Down” Computation

- “Top down” starts by adding large values
 - it operates as follows:

i	s
n	0
n - 1	$(2 \cdot n + 1)$
n - 2	$(2 \cdot n + 1) + (2 \cdot (n-1) + 1)$
n - 3	$(2 \cdot n + 1) + (2 \cdot (n-1) + 1) + (2 \cdot (n-2) + 1)$

- how do we describe what we have calculated?

$$\text{square}(n) = \text{square}(i) + s$$

- with “top down”, part missing is described by function call
 - still need to add $\text{square}(i)$ to s to get the desired answer

Top Down on Natural Numbers

```
func square(0) := 0
square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1    for any n : ℕ
```

- “Top down” loop implementation

```
let i: number = n;
let s: number = 0;
{{ Inv: square(n) = square(i) + s }}
while (i != 0) {
  s = s + i + i - 1;
  i = i - 1;
}
{{ s = square(n) }}
return s;
```

Still need to check this.

(Why $s + 2i - 1$ here?)

Top Down on Natural Numbers

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- “Top down” loop implementation

```
let i: number = n;
let s: number = 0;
↓
{{ i = n and s = 0 }}
{{ Inv: square(n) = square(i) + s }}
while (i != 0) {
  s = s + i + i - 1;
  i = i - 1;
}
{{ s = square(n) }}
return s;
```

square(i) + s = square(i) since s = 0
= square(n) since i = n

Top Down on Natural Numbers

`func square(0) := 0`
`square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1` for any $n : \mathbb{N}$

- “Top down” loop implementation

```
let i: number = n;  
let s: number = 0;  
{ { Inv: square(n) = square(i) + s } }  
while (i != 0) {  
  s = s + i + i - 1;  
  i = i - 1;  
}  
{ { square(n) = square(i) + s and i = 0 } }  
{ { s = square(n) } }  
return s;
```

\square

$\text{square}(n) = \text{square}(i) + s$
 $= \text{square}(0) + s$ since $i = 0$
 $= s$ def of square

Top Down on Natural Numbers

```
func square(0) := 0
square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1    for any n : ℕ
```

- “Top down” loop implementation

```
{ { Inv: square(n) = square(i) + s } }
while (i != 0) {
  { { square(n) = square(i) + s and i ≠ 0 } }
  s = s + i + i - 1;
  i = i - 1;
  { { square(n) = square(i) + s } }
}
```

Top Down on Natural Numbers

```
func square(0) := 0
square(n+1) := square(n) + 2n + 1    for any n : ℕ
```

- “Top down” loop implementation

```
{ { Inv: square(n) = square(i) + s } }
while (i != 0) {
  { { square(n) = square(i) + s and i ≠ 0 } }
  { { square(n) = square(i - 1) + s + 2i - 1 } }
  s = s + i + i - 1;
  { { square(n) = square(i - 1) + s } }
  i = i - 1;
  { { square(n) = square(i) + s } }
}

square(n) = square(i) + s
           = square(i - 1) + 2(i - 1) + 1 + s
           = square(i - 1) + 2i - 1 + s    def of square
                                           (since i ≠ 0)
```

“Top Down” Loops

- Invariant describes what is missing as a function call
- Not the best approach for \mathbb{N}
 - bottom-up is easier to understand and get correct
 - do that instead
- Often the best approach for Lists
 - can't easily access the end of the list
(unless we reverse it)
 - top-down approach possible, but is more complicated
invariant will be like we just saw
but there is one more tricky issue here...

Top Down on Lists

```
func twice(nil)      := nil
    twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L)) for any x :  $\mathbb{Z}$  and L : List
```

- Does this calculate $S = \text{twice}(L)$?

```
let R: List = L;
let S: List = nil;
while (R != nil) {
    S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
    R = R.tl;
}
return S;
```


Top Down on Lists

```
let R: List = L;
let S: List = nil;
while (R != nil) {
  S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
  R = R.tl;
}
return S;
```

- Operates as follows on `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))`:

Iter	S	R
0	nil	<code>cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))</code>
1	<code>cons(2·1, nil)</code>	<code>cons(2, cons(3, nil))</code>
...		

Top Down on Lists

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Iter	S	R
0	nil	<code>cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))</code>
1	<code>cons(2·1, nil)</code>	<code>cons(2, cons(3, nil))</code>

- Looks good so far:

```
twice(cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil))))  
  = cons(2·1, twice(cons(2, cons(3, nil))))  
  = concat(cons(2·1, nil), twice(cons(2, cons(3, nil))))
```

def of twice
def of concat

Answer is what we have so far (S) + twice of what is left (R)

We've only looked at length 0 and 1... Maybe we should do more?

Top Down on Lists

```
let R: List = L;
let S: List = nil;
while (R != nil) {
  S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
  R = R.tl;
}
return S;
```

- Operates as follows on `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))`:

Iter	S	R
0	nil	cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))
1	cons(2·1, nil)	cons(2, cons(3, nil))
2	cons(2·2, cons(2·1, nil))	cons(3, nil)
3	cons(2·3, cons(2·1, cons(2·1, nil)))	nil

Top Down on Lists

- Operates as follows on `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))`:

Iter	S	R
0	nil	<code>cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))</code>
1	<code>cons(2·1, nil)</code>	<code>cons(2, cons(3, nil))</code>
2	<code>cons(2·2, cons(2·1, nil))</code>	<code>cons(3, nil)</code>
3	<code>cons(2·3, cons(2·1, cons(2·1, nil)))</code>	nil

reversal of the answer

`twice(cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil))))`
`= cons(2·1, twice(cons(2, cons(3, nil))))`
`= cons(2·1, cons(2·2, twice(cons(3, nil))))`
`≠ concat(cons(2·2, cons(2·1, nil)), twice(cons(3, nil)))`

def of twice
def of twice

Top Down on Lists

- Operates as follows on `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))`:

Iter	S	R
0	nil	<code>cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))</code>
1	<code>cons(2·1, nil)</code>	<code>cons(2, cons(3, nil))</code>
2	<code>cons(2·2, cons(2·1, nil))</code>	<code>cons(3, nil)</code>
3	<code>cons(2·3, cons(2·1, cons(2·1, nil)))</code>	nil



reversal of the answer

`twice(cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil))))`
`= cons(2·1, twice(cons(2, cons(3, nil))))`
`= cons(2·1, cons(2·2, twice(cons(3, nil))))`
`= concat(cons(2·1, cons(2·2, nil)), twice(cons(3, nil)))`
`= concat(rev(S), twice(R))`

def of twice
def of twice
def of concat
since S, R = ...

What is going on here?

- Doesn't matter what order we add up numbers:

$$1 + 2 + 3 = 3 + 2 + 1$$

- Does matter what order you build the list

$$\text{cons}(1, \text{cons}(2, \text{cons}(3, \text{nil}))) \neq \text{cons}(3, \text{cons}(2, \text{cons}(1, \text{nil})))$$

- Top-down produces the answer in reverse order
 - doesn't matter for integers; does matter for lists
- Possible to make tricky **interview questions** like this
 - wouldn't think a loop over a list would be tricky

Top Down on Lists

```
func twice(nil)      := nil
twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L)) for any x : ℤ and L : List
```

- “Top down” loop to calculate twice(L)

```
let R: List = L;
let S: List = nil;
{{ Inv: twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) }}
while (R != nil) {
  S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
  R = R.tl;
}
{{ twice(L) = rev(S) }}
return rev(S); // = twice(L)
```

Still need to check this.
Hopefully obvious that it could be wrong.
(Testing length 0, 1, 2, 3 is not enough!)

Top Down on Lists

```
func twice(nil)      := nil
twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L)) for any x :  $\mathbb{Z}$  and L : List
```

- “Top down” loop to calculate twice(L)

```
let R: List = L;
let S: List = nil;
{{ R = L and S = nil }}
```

```
{{ Inv: twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) }}
```

```
while (R != nil) {
  S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
  R = R.tl;
}
```

```
{{ twice(L) = rev(S) }}
```

```
concat(rev(S), twice(R))
= concat(rev(nil), twice(R))
= concat(nil, twice(R))
= twice(R)
= twice(L)
```

since S = nil
def of rev
def of concat
since R = L

Top Down on Lists

```
func twice(nil)      := nil
twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L)) for any x : ℤ and L : List
```

- “Top down” loop to calculate twice(L)

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{ { Inv: twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) } }
while (R != nil) {
  S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
  R = R.tl;
}
```

```
{ { twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) and R = nil } }
{ { twice(L) = rev(S) } }
```

```
twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R))
          = concat(rev(S), twice(nil))
          = concat(rev(S), nil)
          = rev(S)
```

since R = nil
def of twice
by Lemma 2

Top Down on Lists

```
func twice(nil)      := nil
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```

- “Top down” loop to calculate twice(L)

```
{{ Inv: twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) }}
while (R != nil) {
    {{ twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) and R ≠ nil }}
    S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
    R = R.tl;
    {{ twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) }}
}
```

Top Down on Lists

```
func twice(nil)      := nil
    twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L))  for any  $x : \mathbb{Z}$  and  $L : \text{List}$ 
```

- “Top down” loop to calculate `twice(L)`

```
{ { Inv: twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) } }
while (R != nil) {
    { { twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) and R ≠ nil } }
    { { twice(L) = concat(rev(cons(2 · R.hd, S)), twice(R.tl)) } }
    S = cons(2 * R.hd, S);
    { { twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R.tl)) } }
    R = R.tl;
    { { twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) } }
}
```

Top Down on Lists

`func twice(nil) := nil`
`twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L))` for any $x : \mathbb{Z}$ and $L : \text{List}$

- “Top down” loop to calculate `twice(L)`

`{{ twice(L) = concat(rev(S), twice(R)) and R ≠ nil }}`
`{{ twice(L) = concat(rev(cons(2 · R.hd, S)), twice(R.tl)) }}`

Calculate a bit to see if this looks right (note: not a correct proof!)

`rev(cons(2 · R.hd, S)) = concat(rev(S), cons(2 · R.hd, nil))`

so `concat(rev(cons(2 · R.hd, S)), twice(R.tl))`
`= concat(concat(rev(S), cons(2 · R.hd, nil)), twice(R.tl))`
`= concat(rev(S), concat(cons(2 · R.hd, nil), twice(R.tl)))`
`= concat(rev(S), cons(2 · R.hd, twice(R.tl)))`
`= concat(rev(S), twice(R))`

Top Down on Lists

func twice(nil) := nil
twice(cons(x, L)) := cons(2x, twice(L)) for any $x : \mathbb{Z}$ and $L : \text{List}$

- “Top down” loop to calculate twice(L)

$\{\{ \text{twice}(L) = \text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{twice}(R)) \text{ and } R \neq \text{nil} \}\}$
 $\{\{ \text{twice}(L) = \text{concat}(\text{rev}(\text{cons}(2 \cdot R.\text{hd}, S)), \text{twice}(R.\text{tl})) \}\}$



$\text{twice}(L) = \text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{twice}(R))$
 $= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{twice}(\text{cons}(R.\text{hd}, R.\text{tl})))$
 $= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{cons}(2 \cdot R.\text{hd}, \text{twice}(R.\text{tl})))$
 $= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{concat}(\text{nil}, \text{cons}(2 \cdot R.\text{hd}, \text{twice}(R.\text{tl}))))$
 $= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{concat}(\text{cons}(2 \cdot R.\text{hd}, \text{nil}), \text{twice}(R.\text{tl})))$
 $= \text{concat}(\text{concat}(\text{rev}(S), \text{cons}(2 \cdot R.\text{hd}, \text{nil})), \text{twice}(R.\text{tl}))$
 $= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(\text{cons}(2 \cdot R.\text{hd}, S)), \text{twice}(R.\text{tl}))$

since $R \neq \text{nil}$
def of twice
def of twice
def of concat
assoc. of concat
def of rev

“Top Down” Loops on Lists

`func f(nil) := nil`
`f(cons(x, L)) := cons(g(x), f(L))` for any $x : \mathbb{Z}$ and $L : \text{List}$

- Can be implemented with a loop like this

```
function f(L: List): List {
  let R: List = L;
  let S: List = nil; // = f(nil)
  {{ Inv: f(L) = concat(rev(S), f(R)) }}
  while (R != nil) {
    S = cons(g(R.hd), S);
    R = R.tl;
  }
  return rev(S); // = f(L)
}
```