

Reasoning About ADTs

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Code Examples

- See package `induction_examples` for all the code for these examples.

Uses of reasoning

- Testing can only go so far
 - Can't test every set of operations on every object
- Reasoning can prove correctness over all operations, objects

Proof by Induction

- Want to prove some property P about an object
- **Base case**
Prove that P holds for newly-constructed object
- **Inductive step**
Prove that if P holds for an object O , it holds after any operation on O

Verifying Rep Invariant

- Verify that rep invariant is always satisfied
- Reason about **implementation** (instance fields)
- **Base case:** Prove that RI holds after constructor
- **Inductive step:** Prove that if RI holds going into any method, it holds going out

BankAccount

```
// Rep invariant:  
// transactions contains no null values  
// the sum of all values in transactions  
// is  $\geq 0$ 
```

See [BankAccount.java](#)

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- **Base case:**
 - transactions is empty => no null values
 - Transactions is empty => sum of values is 0

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Inductive case: assume RI holds on entering method

- getBalance():
 - Doesn't modify transactions, so RI is preserved.

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Inductive case:

- performTxn():
 - `getBalance()` returns the sum of amounts in transactions
 - Case 1: current sum of transactions + amount of $\text{txn} < 0$. transactions is unchanged, so RI still holds.
 - Case 2: current sum of transactions + amount of $\text{txn} \geq 0$. Therefore, adding txn will not make the sum negative. We also verified that txn is not null. The only change to transactions is that txn is added, so the RI still holds.

Verifying Client Code

- Verify that client code behaves correctly
- Want to prove some statement P about the object
 - e.g. abstract invariant
- Reason about **specification** (abstract fields)
- Assume implementation meets the specs
- **Base case:** Prove that P holds after constructor
- **Inductive step:** Prove that if P holds going into any method, it holds going out
- Can ignore observer methods

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```
/**  
 * Abstract invariant: balance >= 0  
 */
```

See [BankAccount.java](#)

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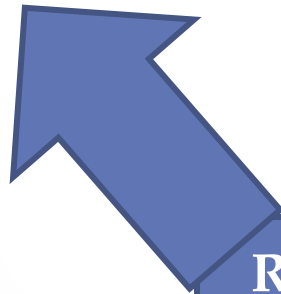
- $P(X) = X.\text{balance} \geq 0$
- Want to prove $P(S)$ for all S
- **Base case:** S was created by constructor
 - After constructor, $\text{balance} = 0$, so $P(S)$ holds

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Remember to state this!
It's the crux of the whole
proof.

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 - Case 2: $\text{balance} = \text{balance} + \text{txn.amount}$.
 - Only enter this case if $\text{balance} + \text{txn.amount} \geq 0$. Therefore, new balance will be ≥ 0 and $P(S)$ holds

TreeSet: prove RI

1. `data == null` iff `(left == null and right == null)`
2. If `data != null`, all non-null values in tree rooted at left are `< data` and all values in tree rooted at right are `> data`

See [TreeSet.java](#)

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Base case: `S` was created by constructor

- `data == null, left == null, right == null`
- #1 holds because `data == null` and `(left == null and right == null)`
- #2 holds trivially because `!(data != null)`



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- `contains()`: never modifies anything, so RI is preserved

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- add(): four cases:
 - Case 1: `val == null`. Object is unchanged, so RI is preserved

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 - Case 1: `val == null`. Object is unchanged, so RI is preserved
 - Case 2: `data == null`. `data` is assigned to `val` (which is non-null) and `left` and `right` are initialized, so #1 holds. `left` and `right` contain only null values immediately after construction, and no other values are added, so #2 holds.

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 - Case 3: `data != null` and `val.compareTo(data) < 0`, i.e. `val < data`.
 - Because we assume the RI holds going in, initially `data != null`, `left != null`, and `right != null`. None of these values are reassigned, so #1 holds.
 - The only possible change is that `val` and two empty nodes are added to the left subtree. Because `val < data` and empty nodes contain only nulls, the first clause of #2 is preserved. Because the right subtree is unchanged, the second clause of #2 is preserved.

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- add(): four cases:
 - Case 4: `data != null` and `val.compareTo(data) > 0`, i.e. `val > data`.
 - (Prove analogously to Case #3)

TreeSet: prove client code

- Verify that a value is contained in TreeSet iff it has been added to the TreeSet at least once.

See [TreeSet.java](#)

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- Want to prove $P(S)$ for all S

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- Want to prove $P(S)$ for all S
- **Base case:** S was created by constructor
 - After constructor, S is an empty set and there have been no calls to `add`, so $P(S)$ holds

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 - Case 1: $S = T$. Only occurs if $v \in T$ and thus $v \in S$. Because $P(T)$ holds (by the inductive hypothesis), $S = T$, and $v \in S$, $P(S)$ must also hold.
 - Case 2: $S = T \cup v$. We know $v \in S$ by the definition of union, so the newly-added value is contained in S . We know $P(T)$ by the inductive hypothesis, and the only change between T and S is the union with v , so $P(S)$ also holds.

IntQueue

- Remember IntQueue1 and IntQueue2 from HW4?
- Prove rep invariant
- Prove that values are contained in the order they were added by the user