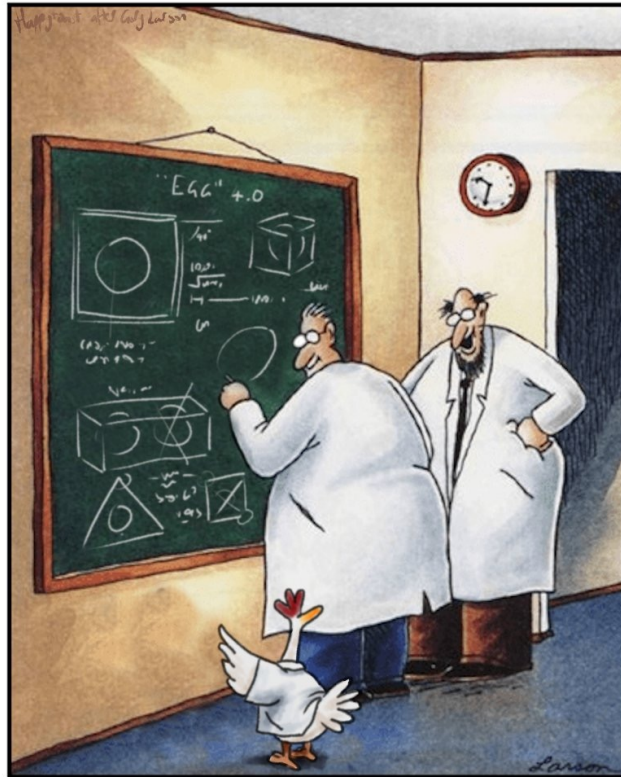


CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

Lecture 17: Structural Induction



What's that Doctor McCluckles? Making them ovoid would increase structural integrity and enable a more comfortable delivery? He's right again Professor!

Midterm

- **Midterm in class next Wednesday**
- **Covers material up to ordinary induction (HW5)**
- **Closed book, closed notes**
 - will provide reference sheets
- **No calculators**
 - arithmetic is intended to be straightforward
 - (only a small point deduction anyway)

Midterm

- **5 problems covering:**

- **Propositional Logic**

- Including circuits / Boolean algebra / normal forms

- **Predicate Logic/English Translation**

- **Modular arithmetic**

- **Set theory**

- **Induction**

- **10 minutes per problem**

- write quickly, don't get stuck on one problem

- focus on the overall structure of the solution

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Last time: Structural Induction

How to prove $\forall x \in S, P(x)$ is true:

Base Case: Show that $P(u)$ is true for all **specific elements** u of S mentioned in the *Basis step*

Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that P is true for some arbitrary values of each of the **existing named elements** mentioned in the *Recursive step*

Inductive Step: Prove that $P(w)$ holds for each of the **new elements** w constructed in the *Recursive step* using the named elements mentioned in the Inductive Hypothesis

Conclude that $\forall x \in S, P(x)$

~~Last time~~: Using Structural Induction

- Let S be given by...

- **Basis:** $6 \in S$; $15 \in S$

- **Recursive:** if $x, y \in S$ then $x + y \in S$.

6 15
21 12 30

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1. Let $P(x)$ be " $3 \mid x$ ". We prove that $P(x)$ is true for all $x \in S$ by structural induction.

$P(6) \checkmark$

$P(15) \checkmark$

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Claim: Every element of S is divisible by 3.

1. Let $P(x)$ be " $3 \mid x$ ". We prove that $P(x)$ is true for all $x \in S$ by structural induction.
2. Base Case: $3 \mid 6$ and $3 \mid 15$ so $P(6)$ and $P(15)$ are true

IH: $P(x)$ $P(y)$

Goal: $P(x+y)$

Basis: $6 \in S$; $15 \in S$

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3. Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose that $P(x)$ and $P(y)$ are true for some arbitrary $x, y \in S$
4. Inductive Step: **Goal: Show $P(x+y)$**

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4. Inductive Step: **Goal: Show $P(x+y)$**

Since $P(x)$ is true, $3 \mid x$ and so $x=3m$ for some integer m and since $P(y)$ is true, $3 \mid y$ and so $y=3n$ for some integer n .

Therefore $x+y=3m+3n=3(m+n)$ and thus $3 \mid (x+y)$.

Hence $P(x+y)$ is true.

5. Therefore by induction $3 \mid x$ for all $x \in S$.

Basis: $6 \in S$; $15 \in S$

Recursive: if $x, y \in S$ then $x + y \in S$

More Structural Induction

- Let R be given by...
 - **Basis:** $12 \in R$; $15 \in R$
 - **Recursive:** if $x \in R$, then $x + 6 \in R$ and $x + 15 \in R$
- Two base cases and two *recursive* cases, one existing element.

Claim: $R \subseteq S$; i.e. every element of R is also in S .

Proof needs structural induction using definition of R since statement is of the form $\forall x \in R. P(x)$

Claim: Every element of R is in S . ($R \subseteq S$)

1. Let $P(x)$ be " $x \in S$ ". We prove that $P(x)$ is true for all $x \in R$ by structural induction.
2. Base Case: (12): $6 \in S$ so $6+6=12 \in S$ by definition of S , so $P(12)$
(15): $15 \in S$, so $P(15)$ is also true
3. Ind. Hyp: Suppose that $P(x)$ is true for some arbitrary $x \in R$
4. Inductive Step: **Goal: Show $P(x+6)$ and $P(x+15)$**
Since $P(x)$ holds, we have $x \in S$. Since $6 \in S$ from the recursive step of S , we get $x + 6 \in S$, so $P(x+6)$ is true, and since $15 \in S$ we get $x + 15 \in S$, so $P(x+15)$ is true.
5. Therefore $P(x)$ (i.e., $x \in S$) for all $x \in R$ by induction.

Basis: $6 \in S$; $15 \in S$

Recursive: if $x, y \in S$,
then $x + y \in S$

Basis: $12 \in R$; $15 \in R$

Recursive: if $x \in R$, then $x + 6 \in R$
and $x + 15 \in R$

Recursive Definitions

- **Recursively defined functions and sets are our mathematical models of **code** and the **data** it uses**
 - recursively defined sets can be translated into Java classes
 - recursively defined functions can be translated into Java functions
 - some (but not all) can be written more cleanly as loops
- **Can now do proofs about CS-specific objects**

Lists of Integers

- **Basis:** nil \in List
- **Recursive step:**
if $L \in \text{List}$ and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$,
then $a :: L \in \text{List}$

Examples:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| – nil | [] |
| – $1 :: \text{nil}$ | [1] |
| – $2 :: 1 :: \text{nil}$ | [2, 1] |
| – $3 :: 2 :: 1 :: \text{nil}$ | [3, 2, 1] |

Functions on Recursively Defined Sets

Assume that the recursive definition of S gives a unique way to construct every element of S .

We can define the values of a function f on S recursively as follows:

Basis: Define $f(u)$ for all **specific elements** u of S mentioned in the *Basis step*

Recursive Step: Define $f(w)$ for each of the **new elements** w constructed in terms of f applied to each of the **existing named elements** mentioned in the *Recursive step*

Functions on Lists

Basis: $\text{nil} \in \mathbf{List}$

Recursive step:

if $L \in \mathbf{List}$ and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$,

then $a :: L \in \mathbf{List}$

Length:

$\text{len}(\text{nil}) := 0$

$\text{len}(a :: L) := \text{len}(L) + 1$

for any $L \in \mathbf{List}$ and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

Concatenation:

$\text{concat}(\text{nil}, R) := R$

$\text{concat}(a :: L, R) := a :: \text{concat}(L, R)$

for any $R \in \mathbf{List}$

for any $L, R \in \mathbf{List}$ and
any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

Structural Induction

How to prove $\forall x \in S, P(x)$ is true:

Basis: $\text{nil} \in \text{List}$

Recursive step:

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Base Case: Show that $P(u)$ is true for all **specific elements** u of S mentioned in the *Basis step*

Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that P is true for some arbitrary values of each of the **existing named elements** mentioned in the *Recursive step*

Inductive Step: Prove that $P(w)$ holds for each of the **new elements** w constructed in the *Recursive step* using the named elements mentioned in the Inductive Hypothesis

Conclude that $\forall x \in S, P(x)$

Claim: $\text{len}(\text{concat}(L, R)) = \text{len}(L) + \text{len}(R)$ for all $L, R \in \text{List}$

$P(X) := \forall R \in \text{List}. \text{len}(\text{concat}(X, R)) = \text{len}(X) + \text{len}(R)$

$\forall X \in \text{List}. P(X)$

$\forall X \in \text{List}, \forall R \in \text{List}. \Rightarrow$

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$\text{len}(\text{nil}) := 0$

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Concatenation:

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Claim: $\text{len}(\text{concat}(L, R)) = \text{len}(L) + \text{len}(R)$ for all $L, R \in \text{List}$

Let $P(L)$ be “ $\text{len}(\text{concat}(L, R)) = \text{len}(L) + \text{len}(R)$ for all $R \in \text{List}$ ” .
We prove $P(L)$ for all $L \in \text{List}$ by structural induction.

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{nil}) &= \forall R \in \text{List}, \text{len}(\text{concat}(\text{nil}, R)) \\ &= \text{len}(\text{nil}) + \text{len}(R) \end{aligned}$$

Length:

len(nil) := 0

len(a :: L) := len(L) + 1

Concatenation:

concat(nil, R) := R

concat(a :: L, R) := a :: concat(L, R)

Claim: $\text{len}(\text{concat}(L, R)) = \text{len}(L) + \text{len}(R)$ for all $L, R \in \text{List}$

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$$\text{len}(\text{concat}(\text{nil}, R)) = \text{len}(R) \quad \text{by def of concat}$$

$$= 0 + \text{len}(R) \quad \text{algebra}$$
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Since R was arbitrary, $P(\text{nil})$ holds.

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Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that $P(L)$ is true for some arbitrary $L \in \text{List}$, i.e., $\text{len}(\text{concat}(L, R)) = \text{len}(L) + \text{len}(R)$ for all $R \in \text{List}$.

Goal: $P(a :: L)$

Basis: $\text{nil} \in \text{List}$

Recursive step:

if $L \in \text{List}$ and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$,

then $a :: L \in \text{List}$

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Let $R \in \text{List}$ be arbitrary. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{len}(\text{concat}(a :: L, R)) &= \text{len}(a :: \text{concat}(L, R)) && \text{by def of concat} \\ &= \text{len}(\text{concat}(L, R)) + 1 && \text{by def of len} \\ &= \text{len}(L) + \text{len}(R) + 1 && \text{by IH} \end{aligned}$$

Length:

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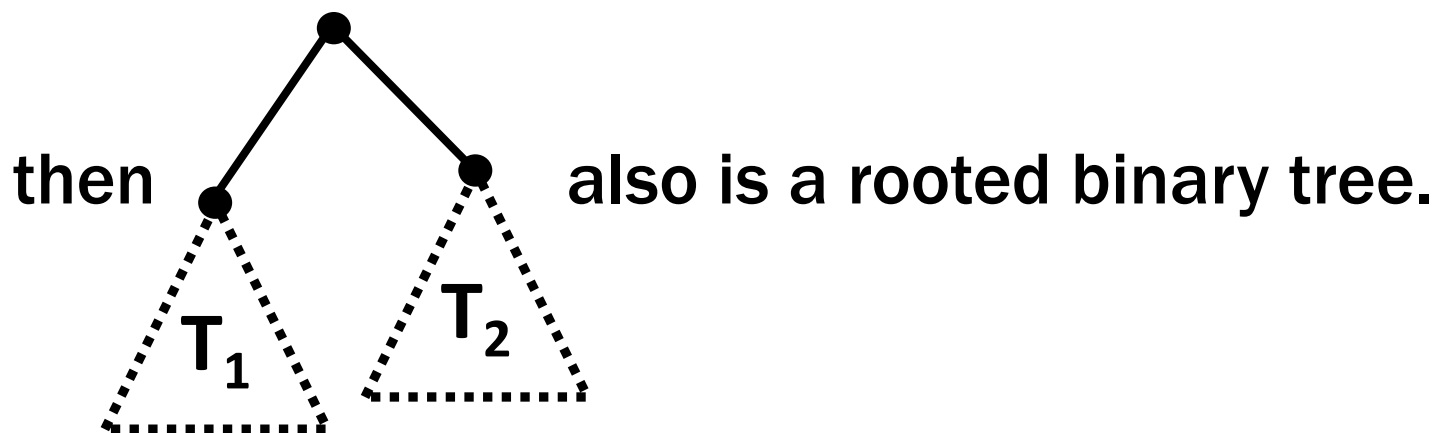
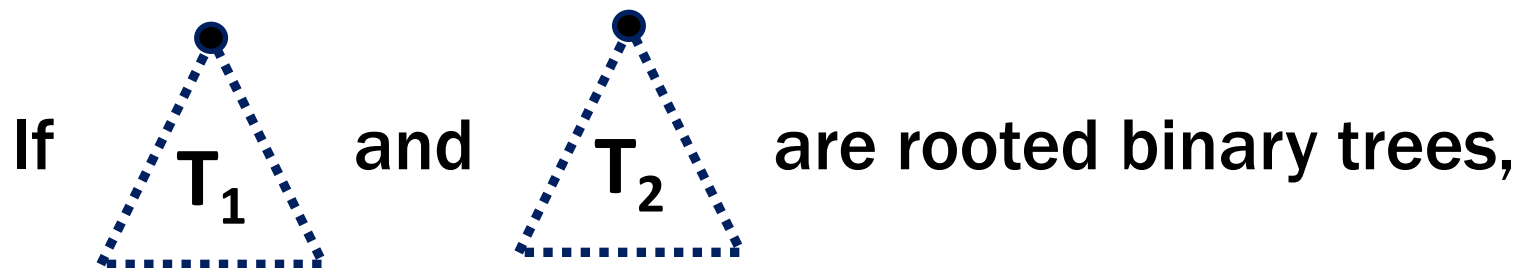
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Since R was arbitrary, we have shown $P(a :: L)$.

By induction, we have shown the claim holds for all $L \in \text{List}$.

Rooted Binary Trees

- **Basis:** • is a rooted binary tree
- **Recursive step:**



Claim: For every rooted binary tree T , $\text{size}(T) \leq 2^{\text{height}(T) + 1} - 1$

$$\forall x \in \text{Tree. } \underbrace{\text{size}(x) \leq 2^{\text{height}(x) + 1} - 1}$$

$$P(x) \stackrel{b}{=} \downarrow$$

Claim: For every rooted binary tree T , $\text{size}(T) \leq 2^{\text{height}(T)+1} - 1$

1. Let $P(T)$ be “ $\text{size}(T) \leq 2^{\text{height}(T)+1} - 1$ ”. We prove $P(T)$ for all rooted binary trees T by structural induction.

Goal: $P(\bullet) = \text{size}(\bullet) \leq 2^{h(\bullet)+1} - 1$

$\text{size}(\bullet) = 1$

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\downarrow

$\text{size}(\bullet) ::= 1$

$\text{size} \left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \triangle_{T_1} \quad \triangle_{T_2} \end{array} \right) ::= 1 + \text{size}(T_1) + \text{size}(T_2)$

$\text{height}(\bullet) ::= 0$

$\text{height} \left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \triangle_{T_1} \quad \triangle_{T_2} \end{array} \right) ::= 1 + \max\{\text{height}(T_1), \text{height}(T_2)\}$

Claim: For every rooted binary tree T , $\text{size}(T) \leq 2^{\text{height}(T) + 1} - 1$

1. Let $P(T)$ be “ $\text{size}(T) \leq 2^{\text{height}(T)+1}-1$ ”. We prove $P(T)$ for all rooted binary trees T by structural induction.

2. Base Case: $\text{size}(\bullet)=1$, $\text{height}(\bullet)=0$, and $2^{0+1}-1=2^1-1=1$ so $P(\bullet)$ is true.

IH: $P(T_1)$ and $P(T_2)$

Goal: $P\left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ T_1 \quad T_2 \end{array}\right) = \text{size}\left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ T_1 \quad T_2 \end{array}\right) + 1$

Size $\left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ T_1 \quad T_2 \end{array}\right) \leq 2^{\text{height}\left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ T_1 \quad T_2 \end{array}\right)} - 1$

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$$\text{size}\left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \quad \bullet \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ T_1 \quad T_2 \end{array}\right) = 1 + \text{size}(T_1) + \text{size}(T_2) \quad \text{by def of size}$$

$$\leq 1 + 2^{\text{height}(T_1)+1} - 1 + 2^{\text{height}(T_2)+1} - 1$$

by IH x2

$\text{size}(\bullet) ::= 1$

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$\text{height}(\bullet) ::= 0$

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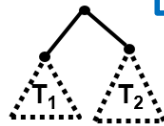
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4. Inductive Step:

Goal: Prove $P(\begin{array}{c} \triangle \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \triangle_1 \quad \triangle_2 \end{array})$.

By def, $\text{size}(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \triangle_1 \quad \triangle_2 \end{array}) = 1 + \text{size}(T_1) + \text{size}(T_2)$



$$\leq 1 + 2^{\text{height}(T_1)+1} - 1 + 2^{\text{height}(T_2)+1} - 1$$

by IH for T_1 and T_2

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{1} 2^{\text{height}(T_1)+1} + 2^{\text{height}(T_2)+1} - 1$$

$$\leq 2 \cdot \max(2^{\text{height}(T_1)+1}, 2^{\text{height}(T_2)+1}) - 1$$

$$\leq 2(2^{\max(\text{height}(T_1), \text{height}(T_2))+1}) - 1$$

$$\leq 2(2^{\text{height}(\begin{array}{c} \triangle \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \triangle_1 \quad \triangle_2 \end{array})}) - 1 \leq 2^{\text{height}(\begin{array}{c} \triangle \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \triangle_1 \quad \triangle_2 \end{array})+1} - 1$$

which is what we wanted to show.

5. So, the $P(T)$ is true for all rooted binary trees by structural induction.