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Abstract

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1 Introduction

2 Graphs and Trees in Isabelle

Graph library [Edm22]

3 Enumeration of Labeled Trees

4 Enumeration of Unlabeled Rooted Trees

This Chapter describes the verification of an algorithm enumerating all unlabeled rooted trees with a specific number of nodes. Let $G = (V, E, r)$ denote the rooted graph with vertex set V , edge set E and a distinguished root $r \in V$.

```
locale rgraph = graph_system +  
  fixes r  
  assumes root_wf: " $r \in V$ "
```

Similarly, a rooted tree is a tree with a fixed root.

```
locale rtree = tree + rgraph
```

As can be seen in the definition the nodes of rooted graphs are still labeled. To get a notion of unlabeled trees we define isomorphism on these graphs. A graph isomorphism for (unrooted) graphs is a bijection between the vertex sets of two graph which preserves edge connectivity.

```
locale graph_isomorphism =  
  G: graph_system V_G E_G for V_G E_G +  
  fixes V_H E_H f  
  assumes bij_f: " $\text{bij\_betw } f \text{ } V_G \text{ } V_H$ "  
  and edge_preserving: " $((') f) ' E_G = E_H$ "
```

Similarly, graph isomorphism is defined on rooted graphs with the additional requirement that the isomorphism also preserves the root node.

```
locale rgraph_isomorphism =  
  G: rgraph V_G E_G r_G + graph_isomorphism V_G E_G V_H E_H f for V_G E_G r_G  
  V_H E_H r_H f +  
  assumes root_preserving: " $f \text{ } r_G = r_H$ "
```

The algorithm described here produces a list of all rooted trees with n vertices modulo isomorphism. That is, every rooted tree is isomorphic to exactly one rooted tree in the resulting list.

4.1 Algorithm

The idea of the algorithm is based on one described by Beyer and Hedetniemi [BH80]. It works on ordered, rooted trees. An ordered, rooted tree is a rooted tree with a linear order with which subtrees can be ordered. We will represent such a tree graphically as in Figure 4.1 by drawing the root node at the top and the subtrees in the corresponding order beneath it. Since we are interested in unlabeled trees node labeled will generally be omitted. The two trees shown differ in the ordering of their subtrees but represent the same underlying rooted tree. Of the possibly many ordered trees corresponding to a rooted tree, one canonical tree will be defined. For this, a linear order will be defined on ordered rooted trees. First we define the type of ordered rooted trees as the root node with a list of ordered subtrees.

```
datatype tree = Node "tree list"
```

This order defined on these trees will be the reversed lexicographical ordering. No tree is smaller than the singleton tree (a tree only containing a root node). The singleton tree is smaller than every other tree besides itself. Otherwise, the subtrees are compared element wise from the back. To simplify the definition in a functional setting, we first define the regular lexicographical order on trees and then define the desired ordering by mirroring its arguments.

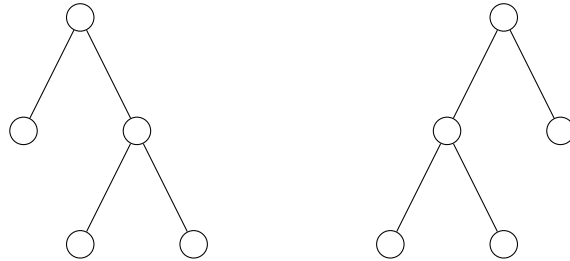


Figure 4.1: Example rooted trees

```

fun lexord_tree where
  "lexord_tree t (Node [])  $\longleftrightarrow$  False"
| "lexord_tree (Node []) r  $\longleftrightarrow$  True"
| "lexord_tree (Node (t#ts)) (Node (r#rs))  $\longleftrightarrow$ 
  lexord_tree t r  $\vee$  (t = r  $\wedge$  lexord_tree (Node ts) (Node rs))"

fun mirror :: "tree  $\Rightarrow$  tree" where
  "mirror (Node ts) = Node (map mirror (rev ts))"

definition
  tree_less_def: "(t::tree) < r  $\longleftrightarrow$  lexord_tree (mirror t) (mirror r)"

```

For a rooted tree T , we now define the canonical ordered tree as the least ordered tree corresponding to T . In Figure 4.1 the left tree is the canonical ordered tree.

The algorithm will produce all canonical ordered trees. Instead of working with rooted trees directly the algorithm of Beyer and Hedetniemi uses an alternative representation of rooted trees, namely level sequences. The algorithm described here enumerates rooted trees in the same order but is defined recursively on a recursive tree datatype instead of on the level sequences.

To traverse all rooted trees a successor function is defined giving the next smallest canonical tree. To accomplish this, some auxiliary function are needed. We define a function that trims a tree, $trim_tree\ n\ t$ trims t to n nodes by removing nodes in postorder until the tree has at most n nodes. See Figure 4.2 for an example of how $trim_tree$ works.

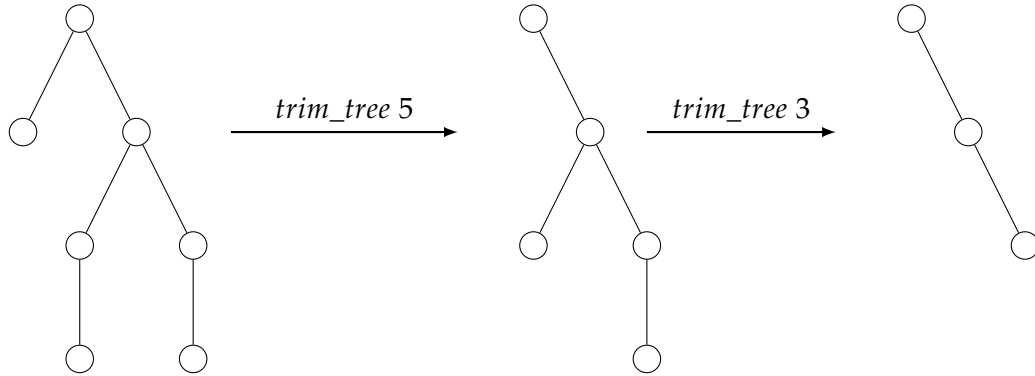


Figure 4.2: Example of $trim_tree$

```

fun trim_tree :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  tree  $\Rightarrow$  nat  $\times$  tree" where
  "trim_tree 0 t = (0, t)"
| "trim_tree (Suc 0) t = (0, Node [])"
| "trim_tree (Suc n) (Node []) = (n, Node [])"
| "trim_tree n (Node (t#ts)) =
  (case trim_tree n (Node ts) of
    (0, t')  $\Rightarrow$  (0, t') |
    (n1, Node ts')  $\Rightarrow$ 
      let (n2, t') = trim_tree n1 t
      in (n2, Node (t'#ts')))"

```

With the help of this a function *fill_tree* is defined, *fill_tree n t* produces a list of trees with a total number of n nodes. Each tree in the list will be t except the first one which might be trimmed to a suitable size in order for the total number of nodes to be n .

```

fun fill_tree :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  tree  $\Rightarrow$  tree list" where
  "fill_tree 0 _ = []"
| "fill_tree n t =
  (let (n', t') = trim_tree n t
   in fill_tree n' t' @ [t'])"

```

Now we define the successor function which produces, given a tree, the next smallest canonical tree. Generating the next smallest tree follows these 4 steps:

1. Remove all direct subtrees of the root node which are singleton trees
2. Find the first node v (in preorder) which has a singleton tree as the first subtree and call its subtree T_v
3. Remove the first singleton subtree of T_v which result in a tree T'_v
4. Let p be the parent of v . Fill the subtree list of p with T'_v until the entire tree consists of n nodes again

See Figure 4.3 for examples of how the function operates.

This function can be directly defined recursively on the tree datatype. None will be returned if the argument is already the smallest tree and thus there is no next smaller tree.

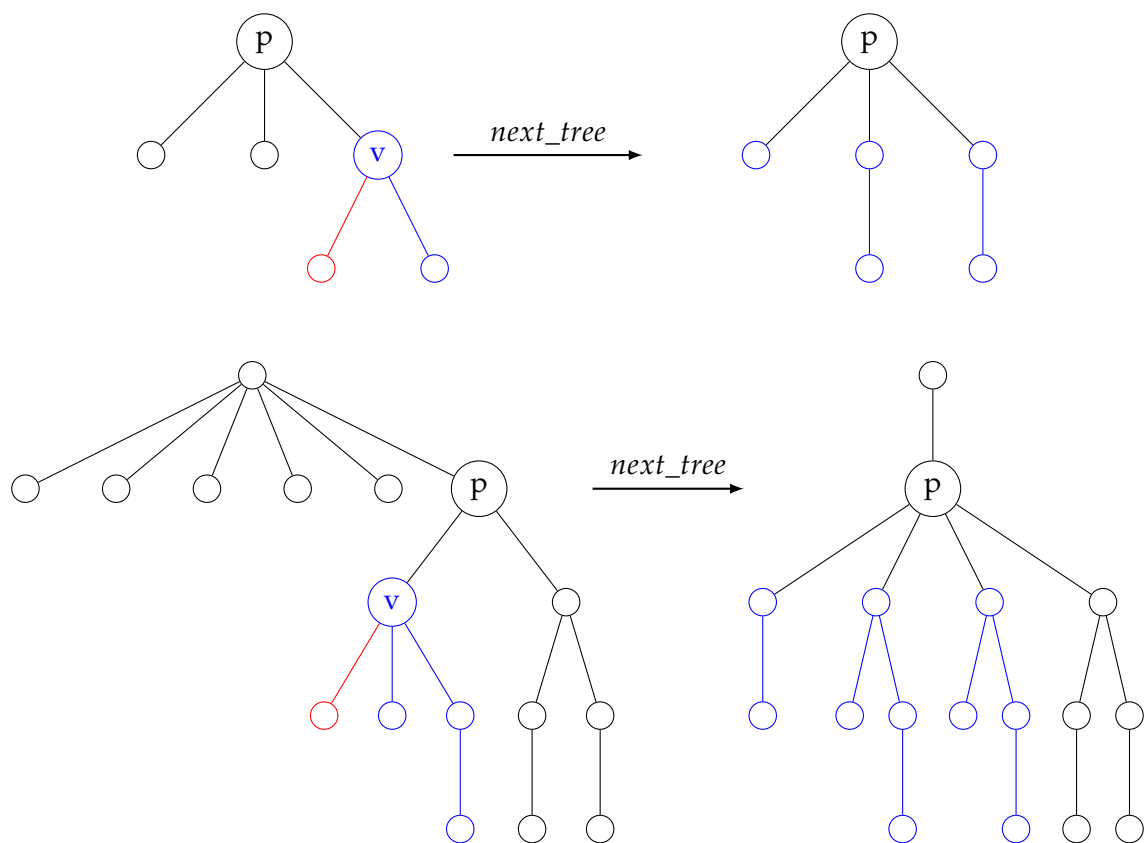


Figure 4.3: Example of *next_tree*

```

fun next_tree_aux :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  tree  $\Rightarrow$  tree option" where
  "next_tree_aux n (Node []) = None"
| "next_tree_aux n (Node (Node [] # ts)) =
  next_tree_aux (Suc n) (Node ts)"
| "next_tree_aux n (Node (Node (Node [] # rs) # ts)) =
  Some (Node (fill_tree (Suc n) (Node rs) @ (Node rs) # ts))"
| "next_tree_aux n (Node (t # ts)) =
  Some (Node (the (next_tree_aux n t) # ts))"

fun next_tree :: "tree  $\Rightarrow$  tree option" where
  "next_tree t = next_tree_aux 0 t"

```

To now enumerate all rooted trees with n nodes, one starts with the greatest tree on n nodes and repeatedly calls *next_tree* until the smallest tree is reached.

```

fun greatest_tree :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  tree" where
  "greatest_tree (Suc 0) = Node []"
| "greatest_tree (Suc n) = Node [greatest_tree n]"

function n_tree_enum_aux :: "tree  $\Rightarrow$  tree list" where
  "n_tree_enum_aux t =
  (case next_tree t of None  $\Rightarrow$  [t] | Some t'  $\Rightarrow$  t # n_tree_enum_aux t')"
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fun n_tree_enum :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  tree list" where
  "n_tree_enum 0 = []"
| "n_tree_enum n = n_tree_enum_aux (greatest_tree n)"

```

To prove termination of the enumeration we show that the output of *next_tree* (if it is not *None*) is strictly smaller than its input and that there are only finitely many rooted trees with n nodes.

4.2 Proof of correctness

Instead of working with canonical rooted tree, we work with an alternative (equivalent) definition of regularity. A rooted ordered tree is regular iff the subtrees are ordered with respect to the linear order previously defined and all subtrees are regular themselves. To prove correctness we first show that the algorithms enumerates all regular ordered rooted trees and then that the set of regular ordered rooted trees is equivalent to the set of rooted trees modulo isomorphism.

By simple induction all defined functions can be shown to preserve regularity. In addition to that *next_tree* preserves the size of the tree, again by induction and simple auxiliary lemmas on the size of the output of the defined function. Since the *greatest_tree* n is regular and in of size n the algorithms produces only regular trees of size n . Due to the strict monotonicity of *next_tree* proven earlier it immediately follows that no tree is generated twice.

Abbreviations

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