
0: Lists without Lisp!

(a) Prove: Concat is symmetric across $[]$. That is, prove for all lists L , $\text{concat}([], L) = \text{concat}(L, [])$. We do this by induction.

Base Case: $L = []$. $\text{concat}([], L) = \text{concat}([], []) = [] = \text{concat}([], []) = \text{concat}(L, [])$.

Induction Hypothesis: $\text{concat}(L, []) = \text{concat}([], L)$ for some list L .

Induction Step:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{concat}(x :: L, []) &= x :: \text{concat}(L, []) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= x :: \text{concat}([], L) && \text{By I.H} \\ &= \text{concat}(x :: [], L) && \text{Definition of concat} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the inductive step holds. Since both the base case and inductive step hold, we have shown that for all lists L , concat is symmetric across $[]$.

(b) Prove: For all lists A, B, C , concat is associative. That is: $\text{concat}(\text{concat}(A, B), C) = \text{concat}(A, \text{concat}(B, C))$. We do this by Induction.

Base Case: $A = []$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{concat}(\text{concat}(A, B), C) &= \text{concat}(\text{concat}([], B), C) && A = [] \\ &= \text{concat}(B, C) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= \text{concat}([], \text{concat}(B, C)) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= \text{concat}(A, \text{concat}(B, C)) && A = [] \end{aligned}$$

Induction Hypothesis: $\text{concat}(\text{concat}(A, B), C) = \text{concat}(A, \text{concat}(B, C))$ for some lists A, B, C .

Induction Step:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{concat}(\text{concat}(x :: A, B), C) &= \text{concat}(x :: \text{concat}(A, B), C) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= x :: \text{concat}(\text{concat}(A, B), C) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= x :: \text{concat}(A, \text{concat}(B, C)) && \text{By I.H.} \\ &= \text{concat}(x :: A, \text{concat}(B, C)) && \text{Definition of concat} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the inductive step holds. Since both the base case and inductive step hold, we have shown that for all lists A, B, C , concat is associative.

(c) Prove: $\text{rev}(\text{concat}(A, B)) = \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}(A))$ for all lists A and B . We do this by structural induction.

Case($A = []$):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rev}(\text{concat}(A, B)) &= \text{rev}(\text{concat}([], B)) && A = [] \\ &= \text{rev}(B) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= \text{concat}([], \text{rev}(B)) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), []) && \text{concat is symmetric (part a)} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}([])) && \text{Definition of rev} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}(A)) && A = [] \end{aligned}$$

Induction Hypothesis: $\text{rev}(\text{concat}(A, B)) = \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}(A))$ for some lists A and B .

Case($A = x :: A$):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rev}(\text{concat}(x :: A, B)) &= \text{rev}(x :: \text{concat}(A, B)) && \text{Definition of concat} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(\text{concat}(A, B)), x :: []) && \text{Definition of rev} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}(A)), x :: []) && \text{By I.H.} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{concat}(\text{rev}(A), x :: [])) && \text{concat is associative (part (b))} \\ &= \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}(x :: A)) && \text{Definition of rev} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, since both the base case and inductive step hold for all lists A and B , we have shown by structural induction on A that $\text{rev}(\text{concat}(A, B)) = \text{concat}(\text{rev}(B), \text{rev}(A))$.

1: Proving BST Insertion Works!

(a) Prove: For all $b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $v \in \mathbb{Z}$ and all trees T , if $less(b, T)$, and $b > v$, then $less(b, insert(v, T))$. We do this by Structural Induction.

Base Case ($T = Nil$): Show that if $less(b, T)$ and $b > v$, then $less(b, insert(v, Nil))$.

If T is Nil , then $less(b, Tree(v, Nil, Nil))$ depends on $v < b$, $less(b, Nil)$, and $less(b, Nil)$ by the BST definition. It is given that $b > v$ and we know that $less(b, Nil)$ is true by the BST definition. Therefore the base case holds.

Induction Hypothesis: Let x be an arbitrary integer. We can define Tree $T = Tree(x, L, R)$. If $less(b, T)$ and $b > v$, then $less(b, insert(v, T))$ holds for the left subtree (L) and the right subtree (R).

Induction Step: If we let $less(b, T)$ be true, it follows that $v < b$ and $less(b, L)$ and $less(b, R)$. To prove the beginning statement, we must show that $less(b, insert(v, T))$ is true. There are two cases to consider: 1. $v < b$ and 2. $v \geq b$.

Case 1:

$$\begin{aligned} less(b, insert(v, T)) &= less(b, insert(v, Tree(x, L, R))) && \text{Definition of BST} \\ &= less(b, Tree(x, insert(v, L), R)) && \text{Definition of BST insert} \\ &= x < b \text{ and } less(b, insert(v, L)) \text{ and } less(b, R) && \text{Definition of BST less} \end{aligned}$$

It is given that $x < b$ and $less(b, R)$ is true. Therefore, the above becomes:

$$less(b, insert(v, T)) = less(b, insert(v, L)) = \text{true by I.H.}$$

Case 2:

$$\begin{aligned} less(b, insert(v, T)) &= less(b, insert(v, Tree(x, L, R))) && \text{Definition of BST} \\ &= less(b, Tree(x, L, insert(v, R))) && \text{Definition of BST insert} \\ &= x < b \text{ and } less(b, L) \text{ and } less(b, insert(v, R)) && \text{Definition of BST less} \end{aligned}$$

It is given that $x < b$ and $less(b, L)$ is true. Therefore, the above becomes:

$$less(b, insert(v, T)) = less(b, insert(v, R)) = \text{true by I.H.}$$

Since both cases hold and the base case hold, we have shown that for all $b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $v \in \mathbb{Z}$ and all trees T , if $less(b, T)$, and $b > v$, then $less(b, insert(v, T))$.

(b) Prove: For all trees T and all $v \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $isBST(T)$, then $isBST(insert(v, T))$. We do this by structural induction.

Base Case ($T = Nil$):

$isBST(insert(v, T)) = isBST(insert(v, Nil)) = isBST(Tree(v, Nil, Nil)) = less(x, Nil)$ and $isBST(Nil)$ and $greater(x, Nil)$ and $isBST(Nil)$ by the definition of $isBST$. By the definitions of $less$ and $greater$, the $less(x, Nil)$ and $greater(x, Nil)$ terms both evaluate to true. Additionally, $isBST(Nil)$ also evaluates to true by the definition of $isBST$. Therefore, the base case holds.

Induction Hypothesis: Let x be an arbitrary integer. We can define Tree $T = Tree(x, L, R)$. If $isBST(T)$, then $isBST(insert(v, T))$ holds for the left subtree (L) and the right subtree (R).

Induction Step: If we let $isBST(T)$ be true, it follows that $less(x, L)$ and $isBST(L)$ and $greater(x, R)$ and $isBST(R)$ by the definition of $isBST$. To prove the beginning statement, we must show that $isBST(insert(v, T))$ is true. There are two cases to consider: 1. $v < b$ and 2. $v \geq b$.

Case 1:

$$isBST(insert(v, T)) = isBST(Tree(x, insert(v, L), R)) \quad \text{Definition of BST insert}$$

We know that $isBST(Tree(x, insert(v, L), R)) = less(x, insert(v, L))$ and $isBST(insert(v, L))$ and $greater(x, R)$ and $isBST(R)$ by the definition of $isBST$. It is given that $greater(x, R)$ and $isBST(R)$ both evaluate to true. Additionally, since it is given that $isBST(L)$ is true, then $isBST(insert(v, L))$ also evaluates to true by the I.H. Therefore, the final equation evaluates to:

$$isBST(insert(v, T)) = less(x, insert(v, L)) = \text{true by part (a)}.$$

Case 2:

$$isBST(insert(v, T)) = isBST(Tree(x, L, insert(v, R))) \quad \text{Definition of BST insert}$$

We know that $isBST(Tree(x, L, insert(v, R))) = less(x, L)$ and $isBST(L)$ and $greater(x, insert(v, R))$ and $isBST(insert(v, R))$ by the definition of $isBST$. It is given that $less(x, L)$ and $isBST(L)$ both evaluate to true. Additionally, since it is given that $isBST(R)$ is true, then $isBST(insert(v, R))$ also evaluates to true by the I.H. Therefore, the final equation evaluates to:

$$isBST(insert(v, T)) = greater(x, insert(v, R)) = \text{true by part (a)}.$$

Since both cases hold and the base case hold, we have shown that for all trees T and all $v \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $isBST(T)$, then $isBST(insert(v, T))$.