

Structural Induction Proof that $\text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) == \text{sum } xs$

Proof:

We want to prove two goals of the induction proof:

Base Case:

(base) We have to prove that $\text{sum}(\text{reverse } []) == \text{sum } []$

Let $xs = []$

Then,

Left-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{reverse } [] &= [] && \text{-by reverse .1} \\ \text{sum}(\text{reverse } []) &= \text{sum}([]) = 0 && \text{-by sum .1} \end{aligned}$$

Right-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum } xs &= \text{sum } [] = 0 && \text{-by s1} \\ \text{sum}(\text{reverse } []) &== \text{sum } [] \\ 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Induction Step:

(ind) We have to prove that $\text{sum}(\text{reverse } (x : xs)) == \text{sum } (x : xs)$ on the assumption that:

(hyp) $\text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) == \text{sum } xs$.

Left-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum}(\text{reverse } (x : xs)) &= \\ \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs ++ [x]) &= && \text{-by reverse.2} \\ \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) + \text{sum } [x] &= && \text{-by sum and ++3 proven below} \\ \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) + x &= \\ x + \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) \end{aligned}$$

Right-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum } (x : xs) &= x + \text{sum } xs && \text{-by sum.2} \\ &= x + \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) && \text{-by hyp assumption} \end{aligned}$$

$x + \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs) = x + \text{sum}(\text{reverse } xs)$ QED

Sum and ++3:

Proof of $\text{sum } (xs ++ ys) = \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } ys$

Base Case:

Let $xs = []$

Then,

Left-hand side:

$$\text{sum } ([] ++ ys) = \text{sum } ys \quad \text{-by ++1}$$

Right-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum } [] + \text{sum } ys &= 0 + \text{sum } ys && \text{-by sum.1} \\ &= \text{sum } ys \end{aligned}$$

Induction Step:

Left-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum } ((x:xs) ++ ys) &= \text{sum } (x:(xs ++ ys)) && \text{-by ++2} \\ &= x + \text{sum } (xs ++ ys) && \text{-by sum.2} \\ &= x + \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } ys && \text{-by hyp} \end{aligned}$$

Righth-hand side:

$$\text{sum } (x:xs) + \text{sum } ys = x + \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } ys \quad \text{-by s2}$$