

# Programming Languages

## Practicals 3. Definition and Proof by Induction

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1. Prove that *length* distributes into (*++*):

$$\text{length } (xs ++ ys) = \text{length } xs + \text{length } ys .$$

2. Prove:  $\text{sum} \cdot \text{concat} = \text{sum} \cdot \text{map sum}$ .

3. Prove:  $\text{filter } p \cdot \text{map } f = \text{map } f \cdot \text{filter } (p \cdot f)$ .

**Hint:** for calculation, it might be easier to use this definition of *filter*:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{filter } p [] &= [] \\ \text{filter } p (x : xs) &= \text{if } p\ x \text{ then } x : \text{filter } p\ xs \\ &\quad \text{else } \text{filter } p\ xs \end{aligned}$$

and use the law that in the world of total functions we have:

$$f (\text{if } q \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2) = \text{if } q \text{ then } f\ e_1 \text{ else } f\ e_2$$

You may also carry out the proof using the definition of *filter* using guards:

$$\begin{aligned} \dots \\ \text{filter } p (x : xs) &\mid p\ x = \dots \\ &\mid \text{otherwise} = \dots \end{aligned}$$

You will then have to distinguish between the two cases:  $p\ x$  and  $\neg (p\ x)$ , which makes the proof more fragmented. Both proofs are okay, however.

4. Reflecting on the law we used in the previous exercise:

$$f (\text{if } q \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2) = \text{if } q \text{ then } f\ e_1 \text{ else } f\ e_2$$

Can you think of a counterexample to the law above, when we allow the presence of  $\perp$ ? What additional constraint shall we impose on  $f$  to make the law true?

5. Prove:  $\text{take } n\ xs ++ \text{drop } n\ xs = xs$ , for all  $n$  and  $xs$ .

6. Define a function  $\text{fan} :: a \rightarrow \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } (\text{List } a)$  such that  $\text{fan } x \text{ } xs$  inserts  $x$  into the 0th, 1st... $n$ th positions of  $xs$ , where  $n$  is the length of  $xs$ . For example:

$$\text{fan } 5 \text{ } [1, 2, 3, 4] = [[5, 1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 5, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 5, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3, 5, 4], [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]] \text{ .}$$

7. Prove:  $\text{map } (\text{map } f) \cdot \text{fan } x = \text{fan } (f \text{ } x) \cdot \text{map } f$ , for all  $f$  and  $x$ . **Hint:** you will need the *map-fusion* law, and to spot that  $\text{map } f \cdot (y :) = (f \text{ } y :) \cdot \text{map } f$  (why?).
8. Define  $\text{perms} :: \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } (\text{List } a)$  that returns all permutations of the input list. For example:

$$\text{perms } [1, 2, 3] = [[1, 2, 3], [2, 1, 3], [2, 3, 1], [1, 3, 2], [3, 1, 2], [3, 2, 1]] \text{ .}$$

You will need several auxiliary functions defined in the lectures and in the exercises.

9. Prove:  $\text{map } (\text{map } f) \cdot \text{perm} = \text{perm} \cdot \text{map } f$ . You may need previously proved results, as well as a property about *concat* and *map*: for all  $g$ , we have  $\text{map } g \cdot \text{concat} = \text{concat} \cdot \text{map } (\text{map } g)$ .
10. Define  $\text{inits} :: \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } (\text{List } a)$  that returns all prefixes of the input list.

$$\text{inits } \text{"abcde"} = [ "", "a", "ab", "abc", "abcd", "abcde" ].$$

Hint: the empty list has *one* prefix: the empty list. The solution has been given in the lecture. Please try it again yourself.

11. Define  $\text{tails} :: \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } (\text{List } a)$  that returns all suffixes of the input list.

$$\text{tails } \text{"abcde"} = [ \text{"abcde"}, \text{"bcde"}, \text{"cde"}, \text{"de"}, \text{"e"}, "" ].$$

Hint: the empty list has *one* suffix: the empty list. The solution has been given in the lecture. Please try it again yourself.

12. The function  $\text{splits} :: \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } (\text{List } a, \text{List } a)$  returns all the ways a list can be split into two. For example,

$$\text{splits } [1, 2, 3, 4] = [ ([], [1, 2, 3, 4]), ([1], [2, 3, 4]), ([1, 2], [3, 4]), ([1, 2, 3], [4]), ([1, 2, 3, 4], []) ] \text{ .}$$

Define *splits* inductively on the input list. **Hint:** you may find it useful to define, in a *where*-clause, an auxiliary function  $f \text{ } (ys, zs) = \dots$  that matches pairs. Or you may simply use  $(\lambda \text{ } (ys, zs) \rightarrow \dots)$ .

13. An *interleaving* of two lists  $xs$  and  $ys$  is a permutation of the elements of both lists such that the members of  $xs$  appear in their original order, and so does the members of  $ys$ . Define  $\text{interleave} :: \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } a \rightarrow \text{List } (\text{List } a)$  such that  $\text{interleave } xs \text{ } ys$  is the list of interleavings of  $xs$  and  $ys$ . For example,  $\text{interleave } [1, 2, 3] \text{ } [4, 5]$  yields:

$$[[1, 2, 3, 4, 5], [1, 2, 4, 3, 5], [1, 2, 4, 5, 3], [1, 4, 2, 3, 5], [1, 4, 2, 5, 3], [1, 4, 5, 2, 3], [4, 1, 2, 3, 5], [4, 1, 2, 5, 3], [4, 1, 5, 2, 3], [4, 5, 1, 2, 3]] \text{ .}$$

14. A list  $ys$  is a *sublist* of  $xs$  if we can obtain  $ys$  by removing zero or more elements from  $xs$ . For example,  $[2, 4]$  is a sublist of  $[1, 2, 3, 4]$ , while  $[3, 2]$  is *not*. The list of all sublists of  $[1, 2, 3]$  is:

$[], [3], [2], [2, 3], [1], [1, 3], [1, 2], [1, 2, 3]$ .

Define a function  $sublist :: List\ a \rightarrow List\ (List\ a)$  that computes the list of all sublists of the given list. **Hint:** to form a sublist of  $xs$ , each element of  $xs$  could either be kept or dropped.

15. Consider the following datatype for internally labelled binary trees:

**data**  $Tree\ a = Null \mid Node\ a\ (Tree\ a)\ (Tree\ a)$  .

- (a) Given  $(\downarrow) :: Nat \rightarrow Nat \rightarrow Nat$ , which yields the smaller one of its arguments, define  $minT :: Tree\ Nat \rightarrow Nat$ , which computes the minimal element in a tree. (Note:  $(\downarrow)$  is actually called *min* in the standard library. In the lecture we use the symbol  $(\downarrow)$  to be brief.)
- (b) Define  $mapT :: (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Tree\ a \rightarrow Tree\ b$ , which applies the functional argument to each element in a tree.
- (c) Can you define  $(\downarrow)$  inductively on  $Nat$ ?
- (d) Prove that for all  $n$  and  $t$ ,  $minT\ (mapT\ (n+) \ t) = n + minT\ t$ . That is,  $minT \cdot mapT\ (n+) = (n+) \cdot minT$ .