

# Problem Set 4

## Advanced Logic

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Throughout this problem set,  $A$  is some arbitrary set, and  $A^*$  is the set of lists over  $A$ ;  $s, t, u$  are arbitrary members of  $A^*$ .  $\oplus$  denotes the list concatenation operation on  $A^*$ , defined to obey the following recursion clauses:

$$\begin{aligned}\square \oplus t &= t \\ (a : s) \oplus t &= a : (s \oplus t)\end{aligned}$$

Note that you can and should rely on earlier results in proving later ones.

1. (15%) Prove that if  $s \oplus t = s$  then  $t = \square$ .
  - (a)  $s \oplus t = s$
  - (b) iff  $(s : \square) \oplus t = s$ , since  $[s] = (s : \square)$
  - (c) iff  $s : (\square \oplus t) = s$ , by clause 2
  - (d) iff  $s : t = s$ , by clause 1
  - (e) iff  $t = \square$
  - (f) therefore, we reach our conclusion here.
2. (15%) Prove that if  $s \oplus t = \square$  then  $s = t = \square$ .
  - (a) by the injective property of Axiom of the List, we have that  $\square$  is not in the range of any  $cons_a$
  - (b) if  $s \oplus t = \square$ , then  $s$  and  $t$  are all  $\square$
  - (c) Thus,  $s = t = \square$
3. (15%) Prove that if  $s \oplus t = (a : u)$  then either  $s = \square$  or  $s = (a : s')$  for some  $s'$ .
  - (a) Assume that  $a$  is just any arbitrary element in  $A$ , then  $(a : s')$  is just the transformation of list  $s$  after taking out an element in  $A$ .
  - (b) iff  $s \oplus t = (a : s') \oplus t = a : (s' \oplus t)$ , by clause 2
  - (c) the case of  $s = \square$  is trivial because  $a : t$  and  $a : u$  is the same as both  $u$  and  $t$  are all arbitrary elements
  - (d) Moreover, for the second case,  $s'$  and  $t$  and  $u$  are all arbitrary, thus, it is the same.

For the following problems, we define a function  $\text{final} : A^* \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A^*)$  recursively as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{final } [] &= \{[]\} \\ \text{final}(a : s) &= \text{final } s \cup \{(a : s)\}\end{aligned}$$

We say that  $s$  is a final sublist of  $t$  iff  $s \in \text{final } t$ .

5. (15%) Prove that  $[]$  is a final sublist of every list.
  - (a) Assume that  $X$  is the set that has all the list and  $x \in X$ , then for every final function, we have  $x = a : s$  and  $\text{final}(a : s) = \text{final } s \cup \{(a : s)\}$ , since  $x$  is monotonically popping out elements, it will reach  $[]$  as always.
  - (b) Thus  $[]$  will always be in the form of  $a : s$  and then we can use clause 1 to get  $\{[]\}$ . Thus, we have the conclusion
6. (10%) Prove that every list is a final sublist of itself.
  - (a) Assume that  $x$  is an arbitrary list of all list, then  $\text{final}(a : s) = \text{final } s \cup \{(a : s)\}$  by clause 2, and  $x$  is  $(a:s)$ , thus, we have  $\text{final}(s) \cup \{x\}$ . Since  $x \in \text{final } x$ , we say that  $x$  is a final sublist of itself. Therefore, as  $x$  is arbitrary, every list is a final sublist of itself.
7. (10%) Prove that  $t$  is a final sublist of  $s \oplus t$ .
  - (a)  $t \in \text{final}(s \oplus t)$  iff  $\text{final}(t) \cup \{s \oplus t\}$
  - (b) By the recursive structure, we have that  $t = a : u$
  - (c)  $\text{final}(t) = \text{final}(a : u) = \text{final } u \cup \{(a : u)\}$
  - (d)  $\{(a : u)\} = \{t\}$
  - (e) Thus,  $t \in \text{final}(s \oplus t)$
8. (10%) Prove that if  $s$  is a final sublist of  $t$ , then  $t = u \oplus s$  for some  $u$ .
  - (a)  $s \in \text{final}(t)$
  - (b) iff  $\text{final}(a : u) = \text{final}(u) \cup \{(a : u)\}$  or  $\text{final}(a : s) = \text{final}(s) \cup \{(a : s)\}$ , as  $s$  and  $u$  are all arbitrary
  - (c)  $a : u = a : ([] \oplus u) = (a : []) \oplus u$ , by clause 1 and 2 in q1
  - (d)  $(a : []) = [a]$  is just arbitrary list, thus, it can be substituted as  $s$
  - (e) thus, we have  $t = s \oplus u$
  - (f) since  $u$  and  $s$  are all arbitrary, we have  $t = u \oplus s$
9. (10%) Prove that if  $s \oplus s' = t \oplus t'$  then either  $s'$  is a final sublist of  $t'$  or  $t'$  is a final sublist of  $s'$ .
10. (10% extra credit) Play through the level 'Advanced Multiplication World' in the Lean Natural Numbers Game ([https://www.ma.imperial.ac.uk/buzzard/xena/natural\\_number\\_game/](https://www.ma.imperial.ac.uk/buzzard/xena/natural_number_game/)). To show that you've completed the levels, send us a screenshot of the last level of Advanced Multiplication World open on your computer screen, with your name showing somewhere in the screenshot (e.g. in a text editor window).