

```
h . Leaf = f
h . Node = g . map h
```

The corresponding fusion law states that

```
h . foldt f g = foldt f' g'
```

provided that `h` is strict and

```
h . f = f'
h . g = g' . map h
```

4 Using folds

Unfortunately, none of the properties of `fold` discussed in Section 3 seem to apply to our program for tree-sort: the only fold is in the function `flatten`, and in general nothing can be said about a fold *after* another function. However, we can write `mktree` as a `foldr` over the list of field functions by eliminating the second parameter, which does not contribute to the equations. We have

```
mktree [] = Leaf
mktree (d:ds) = Node . map (mktree ds) . ptn d
```

and so

```
mktree = foldr fm Leaf
  where fm d g = Node . map g . ptn d
```

Now, both `flatten` and `mktree` are expressed using folds. Unfortunately, `treesort` is not expressed as the composition of another function with a `foldr`: we have

```
treesort ds = flatten . mktree ds
```

but it is `mktree`, not `mktree ds`, that is the fold. We can get around this problem by defining a synonym for composition:

```
> comp :: (b->c) -> (a->b) -> (a->c)
> comp f g = f . g
```

We now obtain

```
treesort ds = comp flatten (mktree ds)
```

or equivalently

$$1) \quad \text{treesort} = \text{comp flatten} . \text{mktree} = (\text{comp flatten}) \circ (\text{foldr fm L})$$

(Of course, we could have written simply `(flatten .) . mktree`, but partially applied infix compositions are quite confusing to use.)

Now the fusion law is applicable, and we obtain

```
treesort = foldr ft et
```

if and only if

$$= \text{foldr ft et} \Rightarrow$$

1)

$\text{treesort ds} = \text{flatten} \circ (\text{mkTree ds})$

Via type analysis :

$\text{treesort ds} : [a] \rightarrow [a]$

$\text{flatten} : \text{Tree } [a] \rightarrow ?$

$\text{mkTree ds} : ? \rightarrow ?$

$(\circ) \text{ flatten} : ([a] \rightarrow \text{Tree } [a]) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]$

$\text{comp flatten} = (\circ) \text{ flatten}$

$\text{treesort} : [a \rightarrow b] \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]$

$\text{mkTree} : [a \rightarrow b] \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow \text{Tree } [a]$

what is the type of $(\text{comp flatten}) \circ ?$

$(\text{comp flatten}) \circ : ?$

remember the type of (\circ) :

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$$(\circ) : (B \Rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$$

therefore

$$f \circ : (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$$

Notice that A is arbitrary but

$$B = \text{dom } f$$

$$C = \text{codom } f$$

In our case $f = \text{comp flatten} \Rightarrow$

$$(\text{comp flatten}) \circ : A \rightarrow ([a] \rightarrow \text{Tree } [a])$$

$$A \xrightarrow{\quad} ([a] \rightarrow [a])$$

The task is now to find g such that

$$(\text{comp flatten}) \circ g : [a \rightarrow b] \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]$$

this means

$$g : [a \rightarrow b] \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow \text{Tree } [a] !$$

\rightarrow

We have only one function :

$$g = \text{mkTree}$$

Thus

$$\text{treeSort} = (\text{comp flatten}) \circ \text{mkTree}$$

Via equational reasoning :

...

```
et = comp flatten Leaf
```

and

```
ft d (comp flatten (mktree ds)) = comp flatten (fm d (mktree ds))
```

For the first of these we get

```
comp flatten Leaf
= { definition of comp }
  flatten . Leaf
= { definition of flatten }
  id
```

fold id concat

so we let `et` be `id`. For the second we get

```
comp flatten (fm d (mktree ds))
= { definitions of comp, fm }
  flatten . Node . map (mktree ds) . ptn d
= { definition of flatten }
  concat . map flatten . map (mktree ds) . ptn d
= { definition of treesort }
  concat . map (treesort ds) . ptn d
= { claim (see Section 5):
    map (treesort ds) . ptn d = ptn d . treesort ds }
  concat . ptn d . treesort ds
= { definition of treesort }
  concat . ptn d . comp flatten (mktree ds)
```

so we let `ft d g` be `concat . ptn d . g`. We have shown that

```
treesort = radixsort
```

where

```
> radixsort :: (Bounded b, Enum b) => [a->b] -> [a] -> [a]
> radixsort = foldr ft id
> where ft d g = concat . ptn d . g
```

As the name suggests, this is the well-known radix-sort algorithm. The advantage of radix-sort over tree-sort is that it does not require a stack. Indeed, radix-sort was used to sort punched cards in the early days of computing: card ‘sorting’ machines could perform the `ptn d` stage on one column of a punched card, and all the operator had to do was `concat` the resulting piles of cards into one big pile and repeat the process for the remaining columns. Using tree-sort would have entailed keeping a ‘stack’ of many partially-sorted piles of cards.

5 Stability

We are left with the task of proving

2) We have :

$$\text{fold } f' e' = h \circ \text{fold } f e$$

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$$e' = h e \wedge$$

$$f' a (h (\text{fold } f e x)) = h (f a (\text{fold } f e x))$$

$\forall f', e', h, f, e$. Apply To

$$\text{foldr } f t e t = (\text{comp flatten}) \circ \text{foldr } f m \text{ Leaf}$$

with $\text{foldr } f m \text{ Leaf} = \text{mkTree}$:

i) $e t = \text{comp flatten leaf}$

ii) $f t d (\text{comp flatten (mkTree ds)})$

$=$

$$\text{comp flatten } (f m d (\text{mkTree ds}))$$

3)

$\text{comp flatten (fm d (mkTree ds))}$

$=$

$\text{concat} \circ \text{ptn d} \circ \text{comp flatten (mkTree ds)}$

$\text{comp flatten (fm d (mkTree ds))}$

$= \{ \text{fm d } q = \text{Node} \circ \text{map } q \circ \text{ptn d} \}$

$\text{comp flatten (Node} \circ \text{map (mkTree ds)} \circ \text{ptn d)}$

$= \{ \text{def. comp} \}$

$\text{flatten} \circ (\text{Node} \circ \text{map (mkTree ds)} \circ \text{ptn d})$

$= \{ \text{flatten} = \text{foldl id concat} \}$

$(\text{foldl id concat}) \circ \dots$

$= \{ \text{foldl } f \ q \ (\text{Node ts}) =$
 $q \ (\text{map } (\text{foldl } f \ q) \ ts) \}$

→

$$\text{concat} \circ (\text{map} (\text{fold id concat}) \circ \text{map} (\text{mkTree ds}) \circ \text{ptn d})$$

$$= \{ \text{def. flatten, Tree functor} \}$$

$$\text{concat} \circ (\text{map} (\text{flatten} \circ \text{mkTree ds}) \circ \text{ptn d})$$

$$= \{ \text{heerats ds} = \text{flatten} \circ (\text{mkTree ds}) \}$$

$$\text{concat} \circ (\text{map} (\text{heerats ds}) \circ \text{ptn d})$$

$$=$$

....