

# HoTT reading notes

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**Lemma 0.1.** *We may inhabit*

$$\text{transport} : \prod_{(C:\prod_{(x:A)} \mathcal{U})} \prod_{(x,y:A)} \prod_{(p:x=Ay)} C(x) \rightarrow C(y)$$

.

*Proof.* Recall, we have

$$\text{ind}_{=A} : \prod_{(C:\prod_{(x,y:A)} (x=Ay) \rightarrow \mathcal{U})} \left( \prod_{(x:A)} C(x, x, \text{refl}_x) \right) \rightarrow \prod_{(x,y:A)} \prod_{(p:x=Ay)} C(x, y, p)$$

hence,

$$\text{transport}(C, x, y, p) \equiv \text{ind}_{=A}(\lambda x. \lambda y. \lambda \_ . C(x) \rightarrow C(y), \lambda x. \text{id}_{C(x)}, x, y, p)$$

□

**Problem 1.1.** *Given function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$ , define composite  $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$  and show  $h \circ (g \circ f) \equiv (h \circ g) \circ f$ .*

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)(x) &\equiv g(f(x)) \\ h \circ (g \circ f) &\equiv_{\eta} \lambda x. (h \circ (g \circ f))(x) \equiv_{\beta, \delta} \lambda x. (h((g \circ f)(x))) \\ &\equiv_{\beta, \delta} \lambda x. (h(g(f(x)))) \equiv_{\beta, \delta^{-1}} \lambda x. (h \circ g)(f(x)) \\ &\equiv_{\beta, \delta^{-1}} \lambda x. ((h \circ g) \circ f)(x) \equiv_{\eta^{-1}} (h \circ g) \circ f \end{aligned}$$

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**Problem 1.4.** *Define the recursor  $\text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}$  in terms of the iterator  $\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}$  and show they are propositionally equal with the induction principle  $\text{ind}_{\mathbb{N}}$ .*

*Proof.* Put  $f \equiv \lambda pr. (s(\pi_1(pr)), c_s(\pi_1(pr), \pi_2(pr)))$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}} &: \prod_{C:\mathcal{U}} C \rightarrow (\mathbb{N} \rightarrow C \rightarrow C) \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \rightarrow C \\ \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) &\equiv \pi_2(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n)) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}$  denote the regular recursor, let  $D \equiv \lambda n. \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n)$ . We want to construct a term of type

$$\prod_{(C:\mathcal{U})} \prod_{(c_0:C)} \prod_{(c_s:\mathbb{N} \rightarrow C \rightarrow C)} \prod_{(n:\mathbb{N})} D(n)$$

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$$\prod_{(C:\mathcal{U})} \prod_{(c_0:C)} \prod_{(c_s:\mathbb{N} \rightarrow C \rightarrow C)} \prod_{(n:\mathbb{N})} D'(n)$$

where,  $D' := \lambda n. \pi_1(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n)) =_{\mathbb{N}} n$ . This is simple, an inhabitant is simply:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{ind}_{\mathbb{N}}(D', \text{refl}_0, \\ & \lambda n. \lambda(pf : D'(n)). \\ & \text{ind}_{=\mathbb{N}}(E, \text{refl}_{s(n)}, s(\pi_1(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, c_0, f, n))), s(n), pf)) \end{aligned}$$

where  $E := \lambda x. \lambda y. s(x) =_{\mathbb{N}} s(y)$ . That term is kind of long, we name it as *foo*. Now, with *foo* in hand, we are able to complete our task. The inhabitant is too long to write down, but there is the skeleton:

$$\text{ind}_{\mathbb{N}}(D, \text{refl}_{c_0}, \lambda n. \lambda(pf : D(n)). g(n, pf))$$

Where  $g$  has type:

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{n:\mathbb{N}} D(n) \rightarrow D(s(n)) \\ & \equiv \prod_{n:\mathbb{N}} \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) \\ & \quad \rightarrow \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, s(n)) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, s(n)) \\ & \equiv \prod_{n:\mathbb{N}} \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) \\ & \quad \rightarrow \pi_2(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, s(n))) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, s(n)) \\ & \equiv \prod_{n:\mathbb{N}} \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) \\ & \quad \rightarrow \pi_2(f(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n))) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, s(n)) \\ & \equiv \prod_{n:\mathbb{N}} \text{rec}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) =_{\mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n) \\ & \quad \rightarrow c_s(\pi_1(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n)), \pi_2(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n))) =_{\mathbb{N}} c_s(n, \widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n)) \end{aligned}$$

Applying identity elimination twice using  $pf$  and  $foo$  will replace  $\pi_1(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n))$  with  $n$  and  $\pi_2(\text{iter}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathbb{N} \times C, (0, c_0), f, n))$  with  $\widetilde{\text{rec}}_{\mathbb{N}}(C, c_0, c_s, n)$ . We have the result.  $\square$

**Problem 1.5.** Show that if we define  $A+B \equiv \Sigma_{x:2} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x)$ , then we can give a definition of  $\text{ind}_{A+B}$  such that the definitional equalities stated in 1.7 hold.

*Proof.* We define  $\text{inl}(a) \equiv (0, a)$  and  $\text{inr}(b) \equiv (1, b)$ . By the definition of the induction principle of  $\Sigma$ -type,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{ind}_{A+B} \equiv \text{ind}_{\Sigma_{(x:2)} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x)} \\ & : \prod_{(C:\Sigma_{(x:2)} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x) \rightarrow \mathcal{U})} \left( \prod_{(x:2)} \prod_{(e:\text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x))} C(x, e) \right) \rightarrow \prod_{(pr:\Sigma_{(x:2)} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x))} C(pr) \\ & \text{ind}_{A+B}(C, f, (a, b)) \equiv f(a)(b) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, if we define the regular induction principle in turns of this weird definition by:

$$\begin{aligned} & \widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A+B}(C, g_0, g_1, \text{inl}(a)) \equiv \text{ind}_{A+B}(C, \lambda(\_ : 2). g_0, (0, a)) \\ & \widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A+B}(C, g_0, g_1, \text{inl}(b)) \equiv \text{ind}_{A+B}(C, \lambda(\_ : 2). g_0, (1, b)) \end{aligned}$$

It's easy to verify everything works out.  $\square$

**Problem 1.6.** Show that if we define  $A \times B := \prod_{(x:2)} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x)$ , then we can give a definition of  $\text{ind}_{A \times B}$  for which the definitional equalities stated in 1.5 hold propositionally.

*Proof.* We define  $(a, b) := \lambda x. \text{rec}_2(\text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x), a, b, x)$ . By the definition of the induction principle of the  $\prod$ -type,  $\text{ind}_{A \times B}$  is simply the application of a lambda with type  $\prod_{(x:2)} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x)$  to an argument of type 2. More precisely,

$$ap : \left( \prod_{(x:2)} \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x) \right) \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow \text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x)$$

To recover the usual induction principle, we first attempt to define the following term:

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A \times B}' : \prod_{C:A \times B \rightarrow \mathcal{U}} \left( \prod_{(x:A)} \prod_{(y:B)} C(x, y) \right) &\rightarrow \prod_{(pr:A \times B)} C(pr(0), pr(1)) \\ \widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A \times B}'(C, f, g) &:= f(g(0))(g(1)) \end{aligned}$$

We however, want the body to have type  $C(pr)$ , not  $C(pr(0), pr(1))$ , to do that, we need to inhabit the propositional uniqueness principle for our new product:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{uniq}_{A \times B} : \prod_{p:A \times B} (p(0), p(1)) &=_{A \times B} p \\ \text{uniq}_{A \times B} &:= \lambda p. \text{funext}(\lambda(x : 2). \text{refl}_{\text{rec}_2(\text{rec}_2(\mathcal{U}, A, B, x), p(0), p(1), x)}) \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A \times B} : \prod_{C:A \times B \rightarrow \mathcal{U}} \left( \prod_{(x:A)} \prod_{(y:B)} C(x, y) \right) &\rightarrow \prod_{(pr:A \times B)} C(pr) \\ \widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A \times B}(C, f, g) &:= \text{transport}(C, (g(0), g(1)), g, \text{uniq}_{A \times B}(g))(\widetilde{\text{ind}}_{A \times B}'(C, f, g)) \end{aligned}$$

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