Inductive Definitions

Haskell's version

Example: binary trees [botched by prof last lecture]

Inductively define the set BT of binary trees with integer "info" as follows.

Example tree with derivation and tree picture:

Another view of incr

Last time, we had a pseudo-Python function for adding 1 to the numbers in a BT.

```
incr(t):
   if t is Leaf n:
      n+1
      else t is Node n t1 t2:
      Node (n+1) (incr t2) # recursive calls on smaller trees
```

Rewriting,

```
if t is Leaf n then incr(t) = Leaf (n+1)
if t is Node n t1 t2 then incr(t) = Node (n+1) (incr t1) (incr t2)
```

```
incr(Leaf n) = Leaf (n+1) incr(Node n t1 t2) = Node (n+1) (incr t1) (incr t2) +rec 45 Sion
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We've arrived at Haskell

Haskell directly supports inductive definitions, pattern-matching case analysis and recursion. t_{qpes} of parts

```
-- Type of binary trees
data BT = Leaf Int | Node Int BT BT
```

This means exactly the same thing as the corresponding inductive definition.

I.e. the Haskell type BT has exactly the values generated by the rules below.

Evaluation details: example

```
\operatorname{act}^{\alpha} incr (Leaf n) = \operatorname{Node} (n+1) (incr t1) (incr t2)
```

Steps Haskell takes to evaluate incr v for some tree value v:

- 1. Find first equation whose lhs (left-hand-side) matches v.
- 2. Get the variable values from the match.
- 3. Plug the values in for the variables on the rhs and continue by evaluating the rhs.

E.g. evaluate incr (Node 17 (Leaf 0) (Leaf 1).

Tree view of pattern-matching

```
(\text{Leaf n}) = \text{n+1}
2\incr (Node n t1 t2) = Node (n+1) (incr t1) (incr t2)
  incr (Node 17 (Leaf 0) (Leaf 1).
                                                    Node (174) (incr (Leafo))
(incr (Leaf 1))
                                               and Keep computing
to get Node 18 (Leat 1)
```

Example: cars!

```
data Colour = Blue | Red | Yellow
data Price = Price Int
data Car = Car Colour Price String
data Fleet = Empty | AddCar Car Fleet
```

Exercises: see the accompanying Haskell file.

Empty

10000

Draw a tree for the fleet example

```
car0 = Car Red (Price 60000) "Lincoln Juggernaut"
car1 = Car Yellow (Price 120000) "BMW Highsnoot"
car2 = Car Blue (Price 10000) "Fiat Roadkill"
fleet = AddCar car0 (AddCar car1 (AddCar car2 Empty))
```