

Introduction to Functional Programming

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Lecture 5: Mathematical induction, part 1

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Proof by induction

data $Nat = Zero \mid Succ\ Nat$ **deriving** (Eq, Ord)

Natural numbers are either of the form $Zero$ or $Succ\ n$ for some natural number n . Hence to prove that a property P is true for all natural numbers n , we prove that

- 1 $P(Zero)$ holds;
- 2 For all natural numbers n , $P(Succ\ n)$ is true assuming that $P(n)$ does.

Definition of expN

$$\text{expN} \times \text{Zero} = 1$$

$$\text{expN} \times (\text{Succ } n) = x * (\text{expN} \times n)$$

Law of exponents

$$\exp N \times (m + n) = \exp N \times m * \exp N \times n$$

Proof of the law of exponents, case *Zero*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{expN } x \text{ (Zero + n)} \\
 = & \{ \text{Zero + n} = n \} \\
 & \text{expN } x \text{ n} \\
 = & \{ 1 * y = y \} \\
 & 1 * (\text{expN } x \text{ n}) \\
 = & \{ \text{expN.1} \} \\
 & (\text{expN } x \text{ Zero}) * (\text{expN } x \text{ n})
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the law of exponents, case *Succ n*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{expN } x \ ((\text{Succ } m) + n) \\
 = & \quad \{ (\text{Succ } m) + n = \text{Succ } (m + n) \} \\
 & \text{expN } x \ \text{Succ } (m + n) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{expN.2} \} \\
 & x * (\text{expN } x \ (m + n)) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{induction hypothesis} \} \\
 & x * ((\text{expN } x \ m) * (\text{expN } x \ n)) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{associativity of } * \} \\
 & (x * (\text{expN } x \ m)) * (\text{expN } x \ n) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{succ.2} \} \\
 & (\text{expN } x \ (\text{Succ } m)) * (\text{expN } x \ n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Definition of $[]$ a

data $[]$ $a = [] \mid a : ([]$ $a)$

Induction over finite lists

Finite lists are either of the form $[]$ or $(x : xs)$ for some finite list xs . Hence to prove by induction that a property P is true for all finite lists xs , we prove that

- 1 $P([])$ holds;
- 2 For all finite list xs , $P(x : xs)$ is true assuming that $P(xs)$ does.

Concatenation

Recall the definition of ++ .

$$(\text{++}) \quad :: [a] \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]$$

$$(\text{++}) [] \quad ys = ys$$

$$(\text{++}) (x : xs) \quad ys = x : (xs \text{ ++ } ys)$$

Concatenation is associative

For all finite lists xs , ys , zs

$$xs \mathbin{++} (ys \mathbin{++} zs) = (xs \mathbin{++} ys) \mathbin{++} zs$$

Proof that $++$ is associative, case $[]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [] ++ (ys ++ zs) \\
 = & \{ ++.1 \} \\
 & \quad ys ++ zs \\
 = & \{ ++.1 \} \\
 & \quad ([] ++ ys) ++ zs
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof that $++$ is associative, case $(x : xs)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (x : xs) ++ (ys ++ zs) \\
 = & \{ ++.2 \} \\
 & x : (xs ++ (ys ++ zs)) \\
 = & \{ \text{induction hypothesis} \} \\
 & x : ((xs ++ ys) ++ zs) \\
 = & \{ ++.2 \} \\
 & (x : (xs ++ ys)) ++ zs \\
 = & \{ ++.2 \} \\
 & ((x : xs) ++ ys) ++ zs
 \end{aligned}$$

Definition of *reverse*

reverse :: $[a] \rightarrow [a]$

reverse [] = []

reverse (x : xs) = *reverse* xs ++ [x]

reverse is an involution

For all finite lists xs

$$\text{reverse} (\text{reverse } xs) = xs$$

Before we prove the above equation, we will prove that

$$\text{reverse} (ys \mathbin{++} [x]) = x : \text{reverse } ys$$

Subsidiary function, case []

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{reverse } ([] \mathbin{++} [x]) \\
 = & \quad \{ \mathbin{++}.1 \} \\
 & \text{reverse } [x] \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse}.2 \} \\
 & \text{reverse } [] \mathbin{++} [x] \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse}.1 \text{ and } \mathbin{++}.1 \} \\
 & [x] \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse}.1 \} \\
 & x : \text{reverse } []
 \end{aligned}$$

Subsidiary function, case $(y : ys)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{reverse } ((y : ys) \mathbin{++} [x]) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{++}.2 \} \\
 & \text{reverse } (y : (ys \mathbin{++} [x])) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse}.2 \} \\
 & \text{reverse } (ys \mathbin{++} [x]) \mathbin{++} [y] \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{induction hypothesis} \} \\
 & x : \text{reverse } ys \mathbin{++} [y] \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{++}.2 \} \\
 & x : (\text{reverse } ys \mathbin{++} [y]) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse}.2 \} \\
 & x : (\text{reverse } (y : ys))
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof that *reverse* is an involution, case []

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{reverse (reverse [])} \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse.1} \} \\
 & \text{reverse []} \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse.1} \} \\
 & []
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof that *reverse* is an involution, case []

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{reverse (reverse (x : xs))} \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse.2} \} \\
 & \text{reverse (reverse xs ++ [x])} \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{reverse (ys ++ [x]) = x : reverse ys} \} \\
 & \text{x : reverse (reverse xs)} \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{induction hypothesis} \} \\
 & \text{x : xs}
 \end{aligned}$$

Induction over partial lists

Partial lists are either of the form \perp or $(x : xs)$ for some partial list xs . Thus to prove by induction that a property P is true for all partial lists we must prove that

- 1 $P(\perp)$ holds;
- 2 For all partial lists xs , $P(x : xs)$ holds assuming that $P(xs)$ does.

Example

Let xs be a partial list. Then

$$xs \mathrel{++} ys = xs$$

Proof: case \perp

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \perp \# ys \\
 = & \{ \#.0 \} \\
 & \perp
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: case $x : xs$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (x : xs) \mathbin{++} ys \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{++.2} \} \\
 & x : (xs \mathbin{++} ys) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{induction hypothesis} \} \\
 & x : xs
 \end{aligned}$$

Induction over infinite lists

Infinite lists are build from $(:)$ alone.

A property P is *chain complete* if whenever xs_0, xs_1, \dots is a sequence of partial lists with limit xs , and $P(xs_n)$ holds for all n , then $P(xs)$ also holds.

The function *length*

length :: $[a] \rightarrow a$

length [] = 0

length (_ : xs) = 1 + *length* xs

The function *sum*

sum $:: (Num\ a) \Rightarrow [a] \rightarrow a$

sum [] = 0

sum (x : xs) = x + *sum* xs

The function *concat*

concat $:: [[a]] \rightarrow [a]$

concat [] = []

concat (xs : xss) = xs ++ *concat* xss

The function *filter*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{filter} & \quad :: (a \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a] \\
 \text{filter } p [] & \quad = [] \\
 \text{filter } p (x : xs) \mid p \, x & \quad = x : \text{filter } p \, xs \\
 & \quad \mid \text{otherwise} = \text{filter } p \, xs
 \end{aligned}$$

The function *map*

$$\text{map} \quad \quad \quad :: (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [b]$$

$$\text{map } f [] \quad \quad = []$$

$$\text{map } f (x : xs) = f \ x : \text{map } f \ xs$$

Distributivity over concatenation

$$\text{sum } (xs \mathbin{++} ys) = \text{sum } xs + \text{sum } ys$$

$$\text{concat } (xss \mathbin{++} yss) = \text{concat } xss \mathbin{++} \text{concat } yss$$

$$\text{filter } p \ (xs \mathbin{++} ys) = \text{filter } p \ xs \mathbin{++} \text{filter } p \ ys$$

$$\text{map } f \ (xs \mathbin{++} ys) = \text{map } f \ xs \mathbin{++} \text{map } f \ ys$$

Definition

$foldr$ $:: (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow b$

$foldr (\odot) e [] = e$

$foldr (\odot) e (x : xs) = x \odot foldr (\odot) e xs$

Examples

$$\text{length} = \text{foldr } ((+) \circ \text{const } 1) \ 0$$

$$\text{sum} = \text{foldr } (+) \ 0$$

$$\text{concat} = \text{foldr } (++) \ []$$

$$\text{filter } p = \text{foldr } (\lambda x \ xs \rightarrow \text{if } p \ x \ \text{then } x : xs \ \text{else } xs) \ []$$

$$\text{map } f = \text{foldr } ((:) \circ f) \ []$$

Distributivity over concatenation

$$\text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ (xs \ ++ \ ys) = \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ xs \odot \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ ys$$

Proof: distributivity over concatenation, case []

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ ([] \mathbin{++} \text{ys}) \\
 = & \quad \{ \mathbin{++}.1 \} \\
 & \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ \text{ys} \\
 \Leftarrow & \quad \{ \text{foldr}.1 \text{ and } e \odot x = x \} \\
 & \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ [] \odot \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ \text{ys}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: distributivity over concatenation, case $(x : xs)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ ((x : xs) \mathbin{++} ys) \\
 = & \quad \{ \mathbin{++}.2 \} \\
 & \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ (x : (xs \mathbin{++} ys)) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{foldr}.2 \} \\
 & x \odot \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ (xs \mathbin{++} ys) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{induction} \} \\
 & x \odot (\text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ xs \odot \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ ys) \\
 \Leftarrow & \quad \{ \text{associativity of } \odot \text{ and } \text{foldr}.2 \} \\
 & \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ (x : xs) \odot \text{foldr } (\odot) \ e \ ys
 \end{aligned}$$

Property

Given functions f and g and a value a , find a function h and a value b such that

$$f \circ \text{foldr } g \ a = \text{foldr } h \ b$$

Examples

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{double} \circ \text{sum} &= \text{foldr } ((+) \circ \text{double}) \, 0 \\
 \text{length} \circ \text{concat} &= \text{foldr } ((+) \circ \text{length}) \, []
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: fusion law, case \perp

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f (\text{foldr } g \ a \ \perp) \\
 \Leftarrow & \quad \{ \text{foldr}.0 \text{ and } f \ \perp = \perp \} \\
 & \text{foldr } h \ b \ \perp
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: fusion law, case []

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f (\text{foldr } g \ a \ []) \\
 \Leftarrow & \quad \{ \text{foldr.1 and } b = f \ a \} \\
 & \text{foldr } h \ b \ []
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: fusion law, case $(x : xs)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f \circ \text{foldr } g \ a \ (x : xs) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{foldr.2 and } \circ \} \\
 & f \ (g \ x \ (\text{foldr } g \ a \ xs)) \\
 \Leftarrow & \quad \{ h \ x \ (f \ y) = f \ (g \ x \ y) \} \\
 & h \ x \ (f \ (\text{foldr } g \ a \ xs)) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{induction} \} \\
 & h \ x \ (\text{foldr } h \ b \ xs) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{foldr.2} \} \\
 & \text{foldr } h \ b \ (x : xs)
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting it all together

Given a strict function f we have that

$$f \circ \text{foldr } g \ a = \text{foldr } h \ b$$

whenever

$$f \ a = b \wedge f \ (g \ x \ y) = h \ x \ (f \ y)$$

Example

Consider the following equation

$$\text{foldr } f \ a \circ \text{map } g = \text{foldr } h \ b$$

Now, derive h

First, recall that

$$\text{map } g = \text{foldr } ((:) \circ g) \ []$$

thus

$$\text{foldr } f \ a \ \perp = \perp$$

and

$$\text{foldr } f \ a \ [] = []$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{foldr } f \ a \ (\text{map } g \ (x : xs)) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{map in terms of foldr} \} \\
 & \text{foldr } f \ a \ (\text{foldr } ((:) \circ g) \ [] \ (x : xs)) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{foldr.2} \} \\
 & \text{foldr } f \ a \ (g \ x : \text{foldr } ((:) \circ g) \ [] \ xs) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{map in terms of foldr} \} \\
 & \text{foldr } f \ a \ (g \ x : \text{map } g \ xs) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{foldr.2} \} \\
 & f \ (g \ x) \ (\text{foldr } f \ a \ (\text{map } g \ xs))
 \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\text{foldr } f \ a \ (\text{map } g \ (x : xs)) = f \ (g \ x) \ (\text{foldr } f \ a \ (\text{map } g \ xs))$$

which implies that

$$\text{foldr } f \ a \circ \text{map } g = \text{foldr } (f \circ g) \ []$$

Definition

$\text{foldr1} \quad \quad \quad :: (a \rightarrow a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow a$

$\text{foldr1 } (\odot) [x] \quad = x$

$\text{foldr1 } (\odot) (x : xs) = x \odot \text{foldr1 } (\odot) xs$

The function *minimum*

minimum :: [a] → a
minimum = foldr1 min

The function *maximum*

$\text{maximum} :: [a] \rightarrow a$

$\text{maximum} = \text{foldr1 max}$

foldl

Definition

foldl $:: (b \rightarrow a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow b \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow b$

foldl $(\odot) e [] = e$

foldl $(\odot) e (x : xs) = foldl (\odot) (e \odot x) xs$

Yet another way to define *reverse*

$$\text{reverse} = \text{foldl} (\text{flip} (:)) []$$

Duality

$$\text{foldl } (\odot) e = \text{foldr } (\text{flip } (\odot)) e \circ \text{reverse}$$