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theory Warmup-Problem-B
imports
  Complex-Main
  HOL-Library.Sum-of-Squares
  HOL-Analysis.Analysis
begin

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0.1 Warmup problem B

Prove that, for all real a and b we have

$$(a + b)^4 \leq 8(a^4 + b^4).$$

This problem is simple enough for Isabelle to solve it automatically — with the Sum of Squares decision procedure.

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theorem
   $(a+b)^4 \leq 8*(a^4 + b^4)$  for  $a\ b :: real$ 
by sos

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Of course, we would rather elaborate. We will make use of the inequality known as *sum-squares-bound*:

$$(2::'a) * x * y \leq x^2 + y^2$$

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theorem
   $(a+b)^4 \leq 8*(a^4 + b^4)$  for  $a\ b :: real$ 
proof -
  have lemineq:  $2*x^3*y \leq x^4 + x^2*y^2$  for  $x\ y :: real$ 
    using sum-squares-bound [of  $x\ y$ ]
    and mult-left-mono [where  $c=x^2$ ]
    by (force simp add: numeral-eq-Suc algebra-simps)

  have  $(a+b)^4 = a^4 + 4*a^3*b + 6*a^2*b^2 + 4*a*b^3 + b^4$  by algebra
  also have  $\dots \leq a^4 + 2*(a^4 + a^2*b^2) + 6*a^2*b^2 + 2*(b^4 + a^2*b^2) + b^4$ 
    using lemineq [of  $a\ b$ ]
    and lemineq [of  $b\ a$ ]
    by (simp add: algebra-simps)
  also have  $\dots = 3*a^4 + 3*b^4 + 10*a^2*b^2$  by (simp add: algebra-simps)
  also have  $\dots \leq 8*(a^4 + b^4)$ 
    using sum-squares-bound [of  $a^2\ b^2$ ]
    by simp
  finally show ?thesis.
qed

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Another interesting proof is by Jensen's inequality. In Isabelle, it's known as the *convex-on* lemma:

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convex  $S \implies$ 
convex-on  $S\ f =$ 
 $(\forall k\ u\ x.$ 
   $(\forall i \in \{1..k\}. 0 \leq u\ i \wedge x\ i \in S) \wedge \text{sum } u\ \{1..k\} = 1 \longrightarrow$ 
   $f\ (\sum i = 1..k. u\ i *_{\mathbb{R}} x\ i) \leq (\sum i = 1..k. u\ i * f\ (x\ i)))$ 

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Note that the sequences u and x are modeled as functions $nat \Rightarrow real$, thus instead of u_i we have $u\ i$.

Make sure not to confuse the *convex-on* lemma with the *convex-on* predicate, which is defined by *convex-on-def*:

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convex-on  $S\ f =$ 
 $(\forall x \in S. \forall y \in S. \forall u \geq 0. \forall v \geq 0. u + v = 1 \longrightarrow$ 
   $f\ (u *_{\mathbb{R}} x + v *_{\mathbb{R}} y) \leq u * f\ x + v * f\ y)$ 

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The bulk of the work, of course, is in showing that our function, $x \mapsto x^4$, is convex.

theorem *warmup2*:

$(a+b)^4 \leq 8*(a^4 + b^4)$ **for** $a\ b :: \text{real}$

proof –

let $?f = \lambda x. x^4$

have *convex-on UNIV* $?f$

proof (*rule f''-ge0-imp-convex*)

show *convex UNIV* **by** *auto*

let $?f' = \lambda x. 4*x^3$

show ($?f$ *has-real-derivative* $?f' x$) (at x) **for** $x :: \text{real}$

using *DERIV-pow* [**where** $n=4$] **by** *fastforce*

let $?f'' = \lambda x. 12*x^2$

show ($?f'$ *has-real-derivative* $?f'' x$) (at x) **for** $x :: \text{real}$

using *DERIV-pow* [**where** $n=3$]

and *DERIV-cmult* [**where** $c=4$]

by *fastforce*

show $0 \leq ?f'' x$ **for** $x :: \text{real}$

by *auto*

qed

hence $(a/2 + b/2)^4 \leq a^4/2 + b^4/2$ (**is** $?lhs \leq ?rhs$)

using *convex-onD* [**where** $t=1/2$] **by** *fastforce*

also have $?lhs = ((a + b)/2)^4$ **by** *algebra*

also have $\dots = (a+b)^4/16$ **using** *power-divide* [*of* $a+b$ 2, **where** $n=4$] **by** *fastforce*

finally show *?thesis* **by** *auto*

qed

end