

Program Design

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1 Introduction

In this document I will discuss my design and modelling considerations for my project's implementation by thorough discussion of each task chosen.

2 Internals

To construct accurate models of each Catalan structure I have, in the file "Internal.hs", created a type class called Catalan which is defined as follows:

```
class Catalan a where
    cons :: a -> a -> a
    decons :: a -> (a, a)
```

In this type class, I have two operators: *cons* and *decons* which are the operators to construct, or compose and deconstruct (or decompose) respectively for each structure.

3 Dyck Paths

To model Dyck paths, I created a module which I named **CatalanStructures.DyckPath**. To represent a Dyck Path I have a list of up-steps and down-steps. Each step is represented by the algebraic data type Step which uses the encoding U for an up-step and D for a down-step. A full Dyck path is represented as a list of steps shown below in the type synonym DyckPath.

```
data Step = U | D deriving (Eq, Show)
type DyckPath = [Step]
```

Next I created an instance of Catalan for the type DyckPath. It is constructed as follows:

```
instance Catalan DyckPath where
    cons alpha beta = mkIndec alpha ++ beta
    decons gamma = stripMaybe $ decompose gamma
```

The function *mkIndec* takes a Dyck path, alpha, and makes an indecomposable DyckPath by prepending a U to the start of alpha then a D to the end of alpha. Then to fully compose our Dyck path with a given alpha and beta we just append beta to mkIndec alpha as is shown above.

Decomposing a Dyck path is the hardest task faced in the design and implementation of the model of a Dyck path. To do this we make a function called *decompose* which takes in a parameter gamma, where gamma is a full Dyck path. Our function decompose looks like the following:

```
decompose :: DyckPath -> Maybe (DyckPath, DyckPath)
decompose [] = Nothing
decompose xs@(U:xt) = Just (map fst (init ys), map fst zs)
    where
        0:ht = height xs
        (ys, zs) = span \(_, h) -> h > 0 $ zip xt ht
```

This function starts off by taking a Dyck path and mapping each element of the Dyck path to the height of each element in the half, except from the first element which is disregarded. This is shown by 0:ht. In order to obtain (ys, zs) we use the span function which splits the list into our alpha and beta lists disregarding the down-step which is appended to alpha. To finish off we apply the following to *Just*. We map the first element of the pair to all the elements of ys except the first, and we then map the first element of the pair to zs.

For the height function, it is defined as follows:

```
height :: DyckPath -> [Int]
height = scanl (+) 0 . map dy
    where
        dy U = 1
        dy D = -1
```

As this is in $O(n)$ time instead of the next example which is in $O(n^2)$ time it is more efficient as it repeatedly adds the partial sums starting from 0 to each element which was mapped to their dy values. The next example is the $O(n^2)$ version.

```
height :: DyckPath -> [Int]
height = map sum . inits . map dy
    where
        dy U = 1
        dy D = -1
```

Here we start by mapping our encodings of U and D to create a list of 1's and -1's. By applying this to the function inits, it creates a list of partial sums which we then fully add together using "map sum" and we have the height of each element.

4 Stack Sortable Permutations

To model Stack Sortable permutations, or 132-avoiding permutations I have used the standard model for constructing them within my Haskell module named **CatalanStructures.StackSortPerm**.

A stack sortable permutation is one which avoids the permutation 132. As such, it is in the form $\alpha n \beta$. That is, to say $\alpha \prec \beta$ or, all the elements of α are less than all the elements of β and n is the largest element of the permutation. To model this we make an instance of the Catalan type class:

```
instance Catalan StackSortablePermutation where
    cons = mkIndec
    decons = decompose
```

Where,

```
type StackSortablePermutation = Permutation
```

and as defined in Internals:

```
type Permutation = [Integer]
```

To create our cons operator we must ensure that we take as parameters our alpha and beta and then generate n . This is created as follows:

```
mkIndec :: StackSortablePermutation -> StackSortablePermutation
        -> StackSortablePermutation
mkIndec alpha beta = alpha ++ [n] ++ beta
    where
        n = toInteger $ length (alpha ++ beta) + 1
```

To generate n , we take the length of alpha and the length of beta and then add one to the result, and finally convert it from *Int* to *Integer*.

Finally to decompose our permutation σ we use the following function:

```
decompose :: StackSortablePermutation
          -> (StackSortablePermutation, StackSortablePermutation)
decompose sigma = removeHeadSnd $ break (l ==) sigma
    where
        l = toInteger $ length sigma
```

Here, to decompose σ into a pair of stack sortable permutations, (α, β) I firstly use the *break* function from the Haskell prelude, which splits a list into a pair of lists over a given condition. So here we are splitting the permutation sigma where at the position n where $\sigma_n = l$. In this case l is $|\sigma|$. Secondly, I use the function *removeHeadSnd* which is a function to remove the head of the second list in a pair since when the function break is applied, the element it splits the list over is the head of the second list. The function is the following:

```
removeHeadSnd :: (t, [a]) -> (t, [a])
removeHeadSnd (alpha, beta) = (alpha, tail beta)
```

As we can see, it just returns the original first list of the pair, along with the tail of the second list.
Once this is created, the function will decompose to its original α and β .