Chapter 6 roadmap:

- Recursive definitions and types (Monday)
- Structural induction (Today)
- Mathematical induction (Friday)
- Loop invariant proofs (next week Monday and Wednesday)

Last time we saw

- A recursive definition of whole numbers
- A recursive definition of trees, particularly *full binary trees*; a full binary tree is either

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- a leaf, or
- an internal node together with two children which are full binary trees.

Today we see

Self-referential proofs



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While building bigger trees from smaller trees, *the number of nodes is (and remains)* one more than the number of links. (Invariant)

Theorem 6.1 For any full binary tree T, nodes(T) = links(T) + 1.

Let \mathcal{T} be the set of full binary trees. Then, we're saying

 $\forall \ T \in \mathcal{T}, \texttt{nodes}(T) = \texttt{links}(T) + 1$

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Theorem 6.1 For any full binary tree T, nodes(T) = links(T) + 1.

Proof. Suppose $T \in \mathcal{T}$. [What is a tree? the definition says it's either a leaf or an internal with two subtrees. We can use division into cases.]

Case 1. Suppose T is a leaf. Then, by how nodes and links are defined, nodes(T) = 1 and links(T) = 0. Hence nodes(T) = links(T) + 1.

Case 2. Suppose T is an internal node with links to subtrees T_1 and T_2 . Moreover, by how nodes and links are defined, $links(T) = links(T_1) + links(T_2) + 2$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{nodes}(T) &= 1 + \operatorname{nodes}(T_1) + \operatorname{nodes}(T_2) & \text{by the definition of nodes} \\ &= 1 + \operatorname{links}(T_1) + 1 + \operatorname{links}(T_2) + 1 & \text{by Theorem 6.1} \\ &= \operatorname{links}(T_1) + \operatorname{links}(T_2) + 2 + 1 & \text{by algebra} \\ &= \operatorname{links}(T) + 1 & \text{by substitution} \end{aligned}$$

Either way, nodes(T) = links(T) + 1. \Box



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Theorem 6.1 For any full binary tree T, nodes(T) = links(T) + 1. **Proof.** Suppose $T \in T$.

Base case. Suppose T is a leaf. Then, by how nodes and links are defined, nodes(T) = 1 and links(T) = 0. Hence nodes(T) = links(T) + 1.

Inductive case Suppose T is an internal node with links to subtrees T_1 and T_2 such that $nodes(T_1) = links(T_1) + 1$ and $nodes(T_2) = links(T_2) + 1$. Moreover, by how nodes and links are defined, $links(T) = links(T_1) + links(T_2) + 2$. Then,

Either way, nodes(T) = links(T) + 1. \Box

Let X be a a recursively defined set, and let $\{Y, Z\}$ be a partition of X, where Y is defined by a simple set of elements $Y = \{y_1, y_2, \ldots\}$ and Z is defined by a recursive rule.

Examples:

- ▶ X is the let of lists, $Y = \{[]\}$, and $Z = \{a :: rest | rest \in X\}$
- $X = \mathbb{W}, Y = \{0\}, \text{ and } Z = \{ \texttt{succ}(n) \mid n \in \mathbb{W} \}$
- ▶ X = T, Y is the set of leaves, and Z is the set of internals with children $T_1, T_2 \in T$.

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To prove something in the form of $\forall x \in X$, I(x), do this:

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Base case: Suppose x \in Y.
I(x)
Inductive case: Suppose x \in Z. [Using x and the definition of Z, find
components a, b, \ldots \in X.
Suppose I(a), I(b), . . . [The inductive hypothesis]
Use the inductive hypothesis
I(x)
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- 1. For all $x \in \mathbb{W}, 0 \leq x$
- 2. For all $x, y \in \mathbb{W}$, if $x \leq y$ then $succ(x) \leq succ(y)$.

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- 3. For all $x \in \mathbb{W}$, x + 0 = x and 0 + x = x.
- 4. For all $x, y \in \mathbb{W}$, x + succ(y) = succ(x) + y

Exercise 6.4.5. For all $x \in \mathbb{W}$, $w \leq succ(w)$.

For next time:

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