Chapter 6 roadmap:

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

## Project prototype due Wed, Apr 3

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

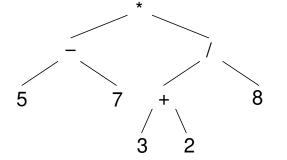
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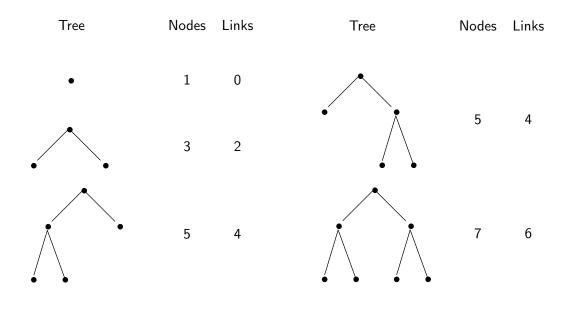
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While building bigger trees from smaller trees, *the number of nodes is (and remains)* one more than the number of links. (Invariant)

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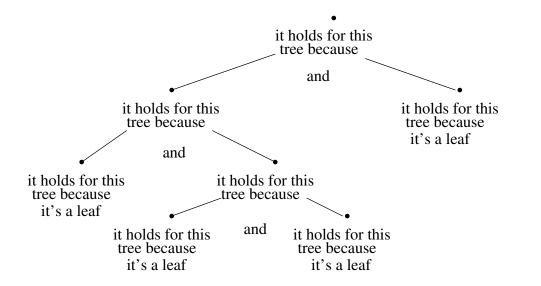
**Theorem 6.1** For any full binary tree T, nodes(T) = links(T) + 1.

**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,

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  $T_1, T_2 \in T$ .

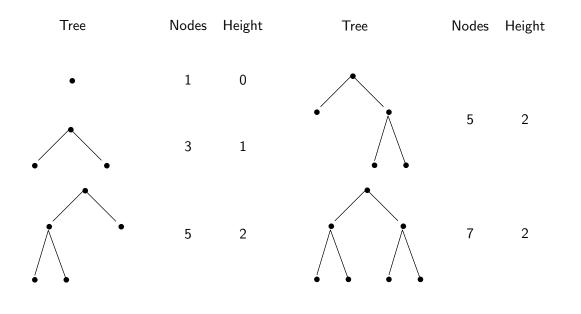
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To prove something in the form of  $\forall x \in X$ , I(x), do this:

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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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## For next time:

See **Canvas** for homework problems, based on problems from Section 6.4. Skim 6.(5 & 6)

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