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Inductive data types (II)

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Plan



- easy proofs by simplification and reflexivity
- recursive types
- recursive definitions
- structural induction
- example1: lists
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Recursive types

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Recursive types (1/6)

```
Inductive nat : Set :=  
  | 0 : nat  
  | S : nat -> nat.
```

```
Inductive daylist : Type :=  
  | nil : daylist  
  | cons : day -> daylist -> daylist.
```

Base case constructors do not feature self-reference to the type.
Recursive case constructors do.

```
Definition weekend_days := cons saturday (cons sunday nil).
```



Recursive types (2/6)

... Coq language can handle notations for infix operators.

```
Notation "x :: l" := (cons x l) (at level 60, right associativity).
```

```
Notation "[ ]" := nil.
```

```
Notation "[ x , .. , y ]" := (cons x .. (cons y nil) ..).
```

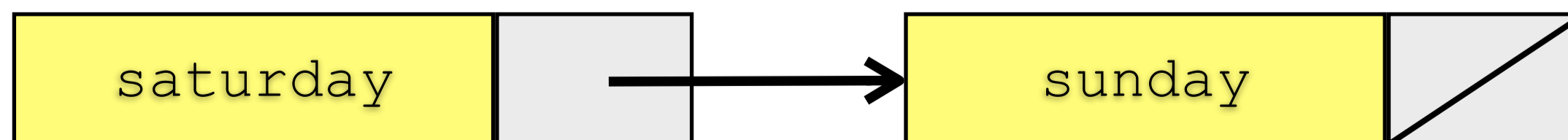
```
Notation "x + y" := (plus x y)  
                (at level 50, left associativity).
```

Therefore `weekend_days` can be also written:

```
Definition weekend_days := saturday :: sunday :: nil.
```

or

```
Definition weekend_days := [saturday, sunday].
```



Recursive types (3/6)

... with recursive definitions of functions.

```
Fixpoint length (l:daylist) {struct l} : nat :=  
  match l with  
  | nil => 0  
  | d :: l' => S (length l')  
  end.
```

```
Fixpoint repeat (d:day) (count:nat) {struct count} : daylist :=  
  match count with  
  | 0 => nil  
  | S count' => d :: (repeat d count')  
  end.
```

The **decreasing argument** is precised as hint for termination.

Recursive types (4/6)

... with recursive definitions of functions.

```
Fixpoint app (l1 l2 : daylist) {struct l1} : daylist :=  
  match l1 with  
  | nil => l2  
  | d :: t => d :: (app t l2)  
end.
```

Notation "x ++ y" := (app x y)
(right associativity, at level 60).

Example test_app1: [monday,tuesday,wednesday] ++ [thursday,friday] =
[monday,tuesday,wednesday,thursday,friday].

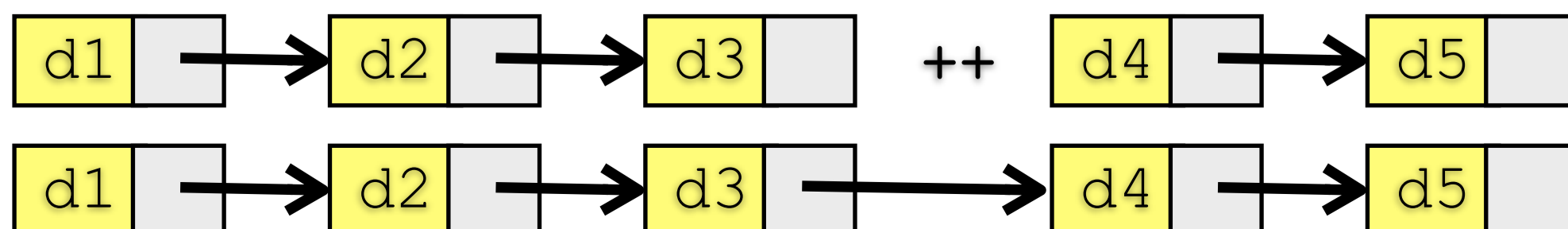
Proof. reflexivity. Qed.

Example test_app2: nil ++ [monday,wednesday] = [monday,wednesday].

Proof. reflexivity. Qed.

Example test_app3: [monday,wednesday] ++ nil = [monday,wednesday].

Proof. reflexivity. Qed.



Recursive types (5/6)

... with recursive definitions of functions.

Definition `bag := daylist`.

```
Definition eq_day (d:day)(d':day) : bool :=
  match d, d' with
  | monday, monday | tuesday, tuesday | wednesday, wednesday => true
  | thursday, thursday | friday, friday => true
  | saturday, saturday => true
  | sunday, sunday => true
  | _ , _ => false
end.
```

```
Fixpoint count (d:day) (s:bag) {struct s} : nat :=
  match s with
  | nil => 0
  | h :: t => if eq_day d h then 1 + count d t else count d t
end.
```


Recursive types (6/6)

Exercise 4 Show following propositions:

Example `test_count1`: `count sunday [monday, sunday, friday, sunday] = 2.`

Example `test_count2`: `count sunday [monday, tuesday, friday, friday] = 0.`

Exercise 5 Define `union` of two bags of days.

Exercise 6 Define `add` of one day to a bag of days.

Exercise 7 Define `remove_one` day from a bag of days.

Exercise 8 Define `remove_all` occurrences of a day from a bag of days.

Exercise 9 Define `member` to test if a day is member of a bag of days.

Exercise 10 Define `subset` to test if a bag of days is a subset of another bag of days.

Remark on constructors

- ▶ Constructors are **injective**:

Lemma `inj_succ` : forall n m, S n = S m -> n = m.

Proof.

```
  intros n m H.
```

```
  injection H.
```

```
  easy.
```

Qed.

- ▶ Constructors are all **distinct**.



Induction

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Recursive types / structural induction (1/9)

Let us go back to the definition of list of days:

```
Inductive daylist : Type :=  
  nil : daylist | cons : day -> daylist -> daylist.
```

The **Inductive** keyword means that at definition time, this system generates an **induction principle**:

```
daylist_ind : forall P : daylist -> Prop,  
  P nil ->  
  
  (forall (d: day) (l1: daylist), P l1 -> P (cons d l1)) ->  
  
  forall l : daylist, P l
```



Recursive types / structural induction (2/9)

For any $P : \text{daylist} \rightarrow \text{Prop}$, to prove that the theorem

$$\text{forall } l : \text{daylist}, P\ l$$

holds, it is sufficient to:

- ▶ Prove that the property holds for the base case:
 - ▶ $(P\ \text{nil})$
- ▶ Prove that the property is transmitted inductively:
 - ▶ $\text{forall } (d : \text{day}) (l1 : \text{daylist}),$
 $P\ l1 \rightarrow P\ (d :: l1)$

The type `daylist` is the **smallest type** containing `nil` and closed under `cons`.

Recursive types / structural induction (3/9)

The induction principles generated at definition time by the system allow to:

- ▶ Program by recursion (`Fixpoint`)
- ▶ Prove by induction (`induction`)

Example: append on lists.

```
Fixpoint app (l1 l2 : daylist) {struct l1} : daylist :=  
  match l1 with  
  | nil => l2  
  | d1 :: l1' => d1 :: (app l1' l2)  
end.
```


Recursive types / structural induction (4/9)

Associativity of append on lists.

Theorem `ass_app` : forall l1 l2 l3 : daylist,

$$l1 ++ (l2 ++ l3) = (l1 ++ l2) ++ l3.$$

Proof.

`intros l1 l2 l3. induction l1 as [| d1 l1' IHl1'].`

$$[] ++ l2 ++ l3 = ([] ++ l2) ++ l3$$

- reflexivity.

d1 : day

l1' : daylist

l2 : daylist

l3 : daylist

$$IHl1' : l1' ++ l2 ++ l3 = (l1' ++ l2) ++ l3$$

=====

$$(d1 :: l1') ++ l2 ++ l3 = ((d1 :: l1') ++ l2) ++ l3$$

- simpl. rewrite `IHl1'`. reflexivity.

Qed.

Recursive types / structural induction (5/9)

Length of appended lists.

```
Fixpoint length (l:daylist) {struct l} : nat :=  
  match l with  
  | nil => 0  
  | d :: t => S (length t)  
end.
```

Theorem app_length : forall l1 l2 : daylist,
 length (l1 ++ l2) = (length l1) + (length l2).

Proof.

```
intros l1 l2. induction l1 as [| d1 l1' IHl1'].  
- reflexivity.  
- simpl. rewrite IHl1'. reflexivity.
```

Qed.

Recursive types / structural induction (6/9)

Induction on **natural** numbers.

Lemma `n_plus_zero` : forall n:nat, n + 0 = n.

Proof.

```
intros n. induction n as [| n' IH].  
- reflexivity.  
- simpl. rewrite IH. reflexivity.
```

Qed.

Lemma `n_plus_succ` : forall n m :nat, n + S m = S (n + m).

Proof.

```
intros n m. induction n as [| n' IH].  
- reflexivity.  
- simpl. rewrite IH. reflexivity.
```

Qed.

Exercise 11 Show associativity and commutativity of +.

Recursive types / structural induction (7/9)

Exercise 12 Show

$\text{length} (\text{alternate } l1 \ l2) = (\text{length } l1) + (\text{length } l2).$

where

```
Fixpoint alternate (l1 l2 : daylist) {struct l1} : daylist :=
  match l1 with
  | [ ] => l2
  | v1 :: l1' => match l2 with
    | [ ] => l1
    | v2 :: l2' => v1 :: v2 :: alternate l1' l2'
  end
end.
```

Recursive types / structural induction (8/9)

Another recursive type: **binary trees**.

```
Inductive natBinTree : Type :=  
| Leaf : nat -> natBinTree  
| Node : nat -> natBinTree -> natBinTree -> natBinTree.
```

Abstract Syntax Trees for terms.

```
Inductive term : Set :=  
| Zero : term  
| One : term  
| Plus : term -> term -> term  
| Mult : term -> term -> term.
```

Recursive types / structural induction (9/9)

Counting **leaves** and **nodes** in binary trees.

```
Fixpoint count_leaves (t : natBinTree) {struct t} : nat :=
  match t with
  | leaf n => 1
  | node n t1 t2 => (count_leaves t1) + (count_leaves t2)
  end.
```

```
Fixpoint count_nodes (t : natBinTree) {struct t} : nat :=
  match t with
  | leaf n => 0
  | node n t1 t2 => 1 + (count_nodes t1) + (count_nodes t2)
  end.
```

Exercise 13 Show

```
Lemma leaves_and_nodes : forall t : natBinTree,
  count_leaves t = 1 + count_nodes t.
```