

Lists & Structural Induction

One thing leads to another...

Section 1

Another word on pattern matching

Recall that we had several ways of pattern matching:

- Lambda expression clauses:

```
val isZeroOrOne : int -> bool
    = fn 0 => true | 1 => true | _ => false
```

- fun declaration clauses

```
fun fact (0:int):int = 1
  | fact n = n * fact(n-1)
```

- case expressions

```
fun fact (n:int):int =
  case n of
    0 => 1
  | _ => n * fact(n-1)
```

- val declarations

```
val 8 = power 3
```

Allowed patterns

■ Constructors

```
fn true => e1 | false => e2
```

■ Variable names

```
fn (x:int) => x
```

■ Wildcards

```
fn (_ : string) => 2
```

■ Tuples of patterns

```
fun foo ((0,0),_) = "a"  
  | foo ((_ ,0), (7,_)) = "b"  
  | foo (_ , (8,8)) = "c"  
  | foo _ = "d"
```

Not patterns

■ Function applications

```
(* Doesn't work *)  
val m+n = 2  
val (s1 ^ s2) = "hello world"
```

■ Non-match-able types

```
(* Doesn't work *)  
val (fn x => e) : int -> string = f
```

■ Repetitive patterns

```
(* Doesn't work *)  
fun equal (m:int, m:int) = true  
  | equal _ = false
```

Comparing cases

```
case true of
  true => 1
| b => 2
```

```
case true of
  b => 2
| true => 1
```

bool casing

Note: the following are equivalent:

```
case b of
  true => e1
| false => e2
```

```
if b then e1 else e2
```

Common error: the “flase” bug



3.0

```
1 case b of
2   flase => 2
3   | true => 1
```

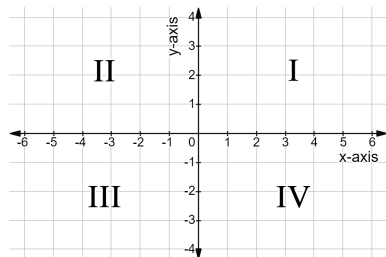
3.1

```
1 (* REQUIRES: n >= 0 *)  
2 fun divByThree (0:int):bool = true  
3   | divByThree 1 = false  
4   | divByThree 2 = false  
5   | divByThree n = divByThree (n-3)
```

```
(* Doesn't work *)  
fun abs 0 = 0  
  | abs ~n = n  
  | abs n = n
```

```
fun abs 0 = 0  
  | abs n = if n < 0 then ~n else n
```


Quadrants



```
quadrant : int * int -> string
```

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES: `quadrant (x, y)` evaluates to either "I", "II", "III", "IV" or "boundary", if (x, y) is in the first, second, third, fourth quadrant, or on one of lines, respectively

3.2

```
1 fun quadrantV1 (m:int,n:int):string =
2   if m=0 orelse n=0
3   then "boundary"
4   else if m>0
5       then if n>0
6             then "I"
7             else "IV"
8   else if n<0
9       then "II"
10      else "III"
```



3.3

```
1 fun quadrantV2 (0,_) = "boundary"
2   | quadrantV2 (_,0) = "boundary"
3   | quadrantV2 (m:int,n:int):string =
4       if m>0
5       then if n>0
6             then "I"
7             else "IV"
8       else if n<0
9             then "II"
10            else "III"
```

The order type

SML has a built-in type to encode orderings, `order`.

- There are three constructors of type `order`:

`LESS` `EQUAL` `GREATER`

- These are also the only values of this type
- The following values are built-in to SML:

```
val Int.compare
  : int * int -> order
val String.compare
  : string * string -> order
```

3.4

```
1 fun quadrant (m:int,n:int):string =
2   case (Int.compare(m,0),Int.compare(n,0)) of
3     (EQUAL, _) => "boundary"
4   | (_ , EQUAL) => "boundary"
5   | (GREATER, GREATER) => "I"
6   | (LESS, GREATER) => "II"
7   | (LESS, LESS) => "III"
8   | (GREATER, LESS) => "IV"
```

Section 2

Lists

The list type

- For each type `codet`, there is a type

`t list`

of *lists of elements of t*

- There are two constructors of type `t list`:

- `[]`: `t list`

- If `x:t` and `xs:t list`, then

`(x::xs) : t list`

- The values of type `t list` are lists `[x1, x2, ..., xn]`, including `[]`. This is just syntactic sugar for `[]` and `::`, however:

- `[1]:int list` is `1::[]`

- `["functions", "are", "values"] : string list` is just `"functions"::"are"::"values"::[]`

```
len : int list -> int
```

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES: len L evaluates to the length of L

3.5

```
1 fun len ([] : int list):int = 0
2   | len (x::xs) = 1 + len xs
3
4 val 5 = len [1,2,3,4,5]
5 val 2 = len [~5000,19]
6 val 0 = len []
```


`(op @) : int list * int list -> int list`

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES: If L1 is a list of length m and L2 is a list of length n , then $L1@L2$ evaluates to a list of length $m + n$ whose first m elements are the elements of L1 (in the same order they appear in L1) and whose last n elements are the elements of L2 (in the same order they appear in L2)

3.6

```
1 infix @
2 fun ([]:int list) @ (L:int list) = L
3   | (x::xs) @ L = x::(xs@L)
4
5 val [1,2,3,4] = [1,2]@[3,4]
6 val [1,2] = []@[1,2]
7 val [1,2] = [1,2]@[]
```

`rev : int list -> int list`

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES: `rev L` evaluates to a list containing exactly the elements of `L`, in the opposite order they appeared in `L`

3.7

```
1 fun rev ([]:int list):int list = []
2   | rev (x::xs) = (rev xs)@[x]
3
4 val [3,2,1] = rev [1,2,3]
5 val [] = rev []
```

A claim

I claim that, for all types t and all values $L : t \text{ list}$,

$$\text{len}(\text{rev } L) \cong \text{len } L$$

How do we prove this?

Section 3

Structural Induction

The Principle of Structural Induction on Lists

Let t be some type. In order to show that a statement P holds of all values $L : t \text{ list}$, it suffices to show:

- **(BC)** $P([])$ holds
- **(IS)** Assuming $P(xs)$ holds for some $xs : t \text{ list}$ **(IH)**, show for any value $x : t$ that $P(x :: xs)$ holds

Why does it work? Well, every value of type $t \text{ list}$ is either $[]$ or of the form $x :: xs$ for some x, xs .

$P([])$ implies $P([1])$ implies $P([4, 1])$ implies $P([3, 4, 1])$ implies ...

Example: Totality of `len`

Theorem

For all values $L : \text{int list}$, `len L` evaluates to some value

Proof:

BC: $L = []$

WTS: `len []` evaluates to a value

$$\text{len } [] \implies 0 \quad \text{(first clause of len)}$$

IS: $L = x :: xs$ for some $x : t$ and some $xs : t \text{ list}$

IH: `len xs` evaluates to some value.

WTS: `len (x :: xs)` evaluates to a value

$$\begin{aligned} \text{len } (x :: xs) &\implies 1 + \text{len } xs && \text{(second clause of len)} \\ &\implies 1 + v && \text{(for some value } v, \text{ by (IH))} \\ &\implies v' && \text{(for some value } v') \end{aligned}$$

Theorem

For all values $L1 : \text{int list}$ and $L2 : \text{int list}$,

$$\text{len}(L1 @ L2) \cong \text{len}(L1) + \text{len}(L2)$$

Proof: Left as exercise (hint: induct on L1)

Thank you!