

## Theme 1: Abstract Reasoning

# Lecture 1: Abstract Data Types & Recursive Functions

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- Example of elements of *Nat*:

$$0, s(0), s(s(0)), s(s(s(0))), \dots$$

- Notation:  $n$  abbreviates  $s^n(0)$

# The General Schema

- Given a set of constants  $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_m\}$ ,
- Given a set of constructors of the form  $\alpha : D^n \times A \rightarrow D$
- The set of element of  $D$  is the smallest set such that:
  - ▶  $C \subseteq D$
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  - ▶  $[] \cdot [] = [[]] \neq []$
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- Similar to proofs using structural induction

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# Inductive definition of functions: A General Schema

Let  $f : D \times E \rightarrow F$ .

- For every constant  $c \in D$  and every  $e \in E$ , define  $f(c, e)$  (as an element of  $F$ )
- For every constructor  $\alpha : D^n \times A \rightarrow D$ , for every  $e \in E$ , define  $f(\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_n, a), e)$  using  $a$  and  $f(x_1, e), \dots, f(x_n, e)$ .

## Proving facts about functions

- Neutral element:

$$\forall x \in \mathit{Nat}. x * s(0) = s(0) * x = x$$

- Commutativity:

$$\forall x, y \in \mathit{Nat}. x + y = y + x$$

- Associativity:

$$\forall x, y, z \in \mathit{Nat}. x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$$

- Distributivity:

$$\forall x, y, z \in \mathit{Nat}. x * (y + z) = (x * y) + (x * z)$$

- Idempotence:

$$\forall l \in \mathit{List}[\star]. \mathit{Rev}(\mathit{Rev}(l)) = l$$

- Kind of distributivity:

$$\forall l_1, l_2 \in \mathit{List}[\star]. \mathit{Rev}(l_1 @ l_2) = \mathit{Rev}(l_2) @ \mathit{Rev}(l_1)$$

## Structural Induction

Let  $c_1, \dots, c_m$  be the constants, and let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  be the constructors.

$$P(c_1)$$

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# Summary

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- Infinite data domain can be defined inductively (set of constants and a set of constructors).
- Functions over infinite data domains by reasoning on the inductive structure of the data domains.
- Facts about recursive functions can be proved by reasoning on the inductive structure of the data domains.