

Functional Programming

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week 7



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This Week

Practice I

OCaml introduction, lists, strings, trees

Theory I

lambda-calculus, evaluation strategies, induction,
reasoning about functional programs

Practice II

efficiency, tail-recursion, combinator-parsing,

Theory II

type checking, type inference

Advanced Topics

lazy evaluation, infinite data structures, dependent types, monads

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Goal

“prove that some property P holds for all natural numbers”

Formally

$$\forall n. P(n) \quad (\text{where } n \in \mathbb{N})$$

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Remark

- of course the base case can be changed
- e.g., if base case $P(1)$, property holds for all $n \geq 1$

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let rec perfect = function
| Empty -> true
| Node(l,_,r) -> height l = height r && perfect l && perfect r

let rec height = function
| Empty      -> 0
| Node(l,_,r) -> max (height l) (height r) + 1

let rec size = function
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To show: $P(t) = (\text{perfect } t \rightarrow (\text{size } t = 2^{(\text{height } t)} - 1))$

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