

CSE 20

DISCRETE MATH

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Learning goals

Today's goals

- Practice with properties of recursively defined sets and functions
- Prove and disprove properties of recursively defined sets and functions with structural induction

Definition The set of RNA strands S is defined (recursively) by:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Basis Step:} & \mathbf{A} \in S, \mathbf{C} \in S, \mathbf{U} \in S, \mathbf{G} \in S \\ \text{Recursive Step:} & \text{If } s \in S \text{ and } b \in B, \text{ then } sb \in S \end{array}$$

where sb is string concatenation.

The function *rnalen* that computes the length of RNA strands in S is defined by:

$$\begin{array}{ll} & \text{rnalen} : S \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ \text{Basis Step:} & \text{If } b \in B \text{ then } \text{rnalen}(b) = 1 \\ \text{Recursive Step:} & \text{If } s \in S \text{ and } b \in B, \text{ then } \text{rnalen}(sb) = 1 + \text{rnalen}(s) \end{array}$$

The function *basecount* that computes the number of a given base b appearing in a RNA strand s is defined recursively:

$$\begin{array}{ll} & \text{basecount} : S \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \\ \text{Basis Step:} & \text{If } b_1 \in B, b_2 \in B \quad \text{basecount}(b_1, b_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } b_1 = b_2 \\ 0 & \text{when } b_1 \neq b_2 \end{cases} \\ \text{Recursive Step:} & \text{If } s \in S, b_1 \in B, b_2 \in B \quad \text{basecount}(sb_1, b_2) = \begin{cases} 1 + \text{basecount}(s, b_2) & \text{when } b_1 = b_2 \\ \text{basecount}(s, b_2) & \text{when } b_1 \neq b_2 \end{cases} \end{array}$$

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Prove or disprove $\exists s \in S (rnalen(s) = basecount(s, \mathbf{A}))$:

The function $rnaLen$ that computes the length of RNA strands in S is defined by:

$$\begin{array}{ll} rnaLen : S & \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ \text{Basis Step:} & \text{If } b \in B \text{ then } rnaLen(b) = 1 \\ \text{Recursive Step:} & \text{If } s \in S \text{ and } b \in B, \text{ then } rnaLen(sb) = 1 + rnaLen(s) \end{array}$$

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Which of the following statements is true?

- A. $\forall s \in S (rnaLen(s) < basecount(s, \mathbf{A}))$
- B. $\forall s \in S (rnaLen(s) \leq basecount(s, \mathbf{A}))$
- C. $\forall s \in S (rnaLen(s) > basecount(s, \mathbf{A}))$
- D. $\forall s \in S (rnaLen(s) \geq basecount(s, \mathbf{A}))$
- E. None of the above

Prove or disprove $\forall s \in S (r\text{alen}(s) \geq \text{basecount}(s, \mathbf{A}))$:

Which proof strategy is appropriate?

- A. Exhaustion
- B. Universal generalization
- C. Witness
- D. Direct proof
- E. Proof by cases

New!

Prove or disprove $\forall s \in S (\text{rmlen}(s) \geq \text{basecount}(s, A))$:

To prove a universal quantification where the element comes from a recursively defined set, consider an arbitrary element and prove two cases:

1. Assume the element is one of those from the basis step and prove the conclusion

2. Assume the element is one of those built during the recursive step, **and assume that the property holds for the elements used to build it**, and prove the conclusion.

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Nonnegative integers are recursively defined

Definition The set of natural numbers (aka nonnegative integers), \mathbb{N} , is defined (recursively) by:

Basis Step: $0 \in \mathbb{N}$

Recursive Step: If $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ (where $n + 1$ is integer addition)

Sums of powers of 2

The function $sumPow$ with domain \mathbb{N} , codomain \mathbb{N} , and which computes, for input i , the sum of the first i powers of 2 is defined recursively by $sumPow : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ with

Basis step: $sumPow(0) = 1$.

Recursive step: If $x \in \mathbb{N}$ then $sumPow(x + 1) = sumPow(x) + 2^{x+1}$.

Prove or disprove $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} (sumPow(n) = 2^{n+1} - 1)$:

For next time

- Read website carefully

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Pre class reading for next time: Example 1 Section 5.1 p316