# Inductive properties (2)

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## Inversion Techniques

Let us consider the following theorem.

#### 1 subgoal

The induction H tactic call applied the induction principle le\_ind with  $P := fun \ m : nat \Rightarrow n = m$ .

# How did we solve this problem in good old times?

We could prove the following "inversion lemma" (a kind of reciprocal of the constructors).

Lemma le\_inv : forall n p: nat,

left; reflexivity.

```
1 subgoal
```

Note that le\_inv is an expression of the minimality of le, with explicit equalities that can be used with injection and discriminate.

#### Let's come back to our initial lemma

```
Lemma le_n_0old_times : forall n:nat, n <= 0 -> n = 0.
Proof.
intros n H;
  destruct (le_inv _ _ H) as [HO | [q [Hq Hq0]]].
2 subgoals
 n: nat
 H \cdot n <= 0
 H0: n = 0
 n = 0
```

assumption.

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Lemma foo : ~(1 <= 0).
Proof.
intro h;inversion h.
Qed.</pre>
```

```
Lemma le_n_0: forall n, n \le 0 \rightarrow n = 0.
Proof.
 intros n H; inversion H.
1 subgoal
 n: nat
 H: n <= 0
 H0: n = 0
  0 = 0
trivial.
Qed.
```

```
Lemma le_Sn_Sp_inv: forall n p, S n <= S p -> n <= p.
Proof.
intros n p H; inversion H.</pre>
```

### 2 subgoals

. . .

constructor.

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Require Import Le.

apply le\_trans with (S n); repeat constructor; assumption.

Qed.

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We can also give a recursive predicate :

ena.

Both definitions are equivalent to Coq's le (exercise).

### Predicates and boolean functions

Let us consider the following function:

```
Fixpoint leb n m : bool :=
    match n, m with
    |0, _ => true
    |S i, S j => leb i j
    | _, _ => false
end.
```

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Just try Print L5_45.!
```

We can build a bridge between both aspects by proving the following theorems :

```
Lemma le_leb_iff : forall n p, n <= p <-> leb n p = true.

Lemma lt_leb_iff : forall n p, n  leb p n = false.
```

(\* Proofs left as exercise \*)

```
Lemma L: 0 <= 47.
Proof.
  rewrite le_leb_iff.
1 subgoal</pre>
```

leb 0 47 = true
reflexivity.
Qed.

```
Lemma leb_Sn_n: forall n p, leb n (n + p)= true.
Proof.
 intros n p;rewrite <- le_leb_iff.</pre>
1 subgoal
 n: nat
 p: nat
  n <= n + p
 SearchPattern (_ <= _ + _).</pre>
 apply le_plus_1; auto.
Qed.
```

# A more abstract example

```
Section transitive closures.
Definition relation (A : Type) := A \rightarrow A \rightarrow Prop.
Variables (A : Type)(R : relation A).
(* the transitive closure of R is the least
relation ... *)
Inductive clos_trans : relation A :=
  (* ... that contains R *)
  | t_step : forall x y : A, R x y -> clos_trans x y
  (* ... and is transitive *)
  t_trans : forall x y z : A,
    clos_trans x y -> clos_trans y z
                    -> clos_trans x z.
```

 $R \times V \dots$ 

```
If some relation R is transitive, then its transitive closure is
included in R:
Hypothesis Rtrans:
   forall x y z, R x y \rightarrow R y z \rightarrow R x z.
Lemma trans_clos_trans : forall a1 a2,
                                clos_trans a1 a2 -> R a1 a2.
Proof.
intros a1 a2 H; induction H.
2 subgoals
 x : A
 y : A
 H:R\times y
```

```
x:A
 y : A
 z:A
 H : clos_trans x y
 H0 : clos_trans y z
 IHclos_trans1 : R x y
 IHclos_trans2 : R y z
  R \times 7
apply Rtrans with y; assumption.
Qed.
```

```
End transitive_closures.
Check trans_clos_trans.
trans_clos_trans
: forall (A : Type) (R : relation A),
      (forall x y z : A, R x y -> R y z -> R x z) ->
      forall a1 a2 : A. clos_trans A R a1 a2 -> R a1 a2
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```
Implicit Arguments clos_trans [A].
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Check (trans_clos_trans le le_trans).
trans_clos_trans nat le le_trans
: forall a1 a2 : nat. clos_trans le a1 a2 -> a1 <= a2</pre>
```

#### Inductive definitions and functions

It is sometimes very difficult to represent a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  as a Coq function, for instance because of the :

- Undecidability (or hard proof) of termination
- Undecidability of the domain characterization

This situation often arises when studying the semantic of programming languages.

In that case, describing functions as inductive relations is really efficient.

```
Definition odd n := ~even n.

Inductive syracuse_steps : nat -> nat -> Prop :=
  done : syracuse_steps 1 1
|even_case : forall n p, even n ->
        syracuse_steps (div2 n) p ->
        syracuse_steps n (S p)
|odd_case : forall n p , odd n ->
             syracuse_steps (S(n+n+n)) p ->
             syracuse_steps n (S p).
```

Exercise

Prove the proposition syracuse\_steps 5 6.

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How to get the best of both worlds?
By combining programs with inductive specifications.

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Let us consider a datatype for comparison w.r.t. some decidable total order. This type already exists in the Standard Library.

```
Inductive Comparison : Type := Lt | Eq | Gt.
```

We can easily specify whether some value of this type is consistent with an arithmetic inequality, through a three place predicate.

```
Inductive compare_spec (n p:nat) : Comparison -> Type :=
| lt_spec : forall Hlt : n < p, compare_spec n p Lt
| eq_spec : forall Heq : n = p, compare_spec n p Eq
| gt_spec : forall Hgt : p < n, compare_spec n p Gt.</pre>
```

We can specify whether some comparison function is correct :

```
Definition cmp_correct (cmp : nat -> nat -> Comparison) :=
  forall n p, compare_spec n p (cmp n p).
```

In order to understand specifications like compare\_spec, let us open a section :

```
Section On_compare_spec.
Variable cmp : nat -> nat -> Comparison.
Hypothesis cmpP : cmp_correct cmp.
```

## How to use compare\_spec

```
Let us consider a goal of the form P n p (cmp n p) where
```

 $P: \mathtt{nat} \rightarrow \mathtt{nat} \rightarrow \mathtt{Comparison} \rightarrow \mathtt{Prop}.$ 

A call to the tactic destruct (cmpP n p) produces three subgoals :

### Example

Let us define functions for computing the greatest [lowest] of tho numbers :

```
Definition maxn n p :=
    match cmp n p with Lt => p | _ => n end.

Definition minn n p :=
    match cmp n p with Lt => n | _ => p end.
```

Proofs of properties of maxn and minn can use this pattern, which will give values to maxn n p, and generate hypotheses of the form n < p, n = p, and p < n.

```
Lemma le_maxn: forall n p, n <= maxn n p.
Proof.
intros n p; unfold maxn; destruct (cmpP n p).
3 subgoals
 cmpP: cmp_correct cmp
 Hlt: n < p
  n <= p
subgoal 2 is:
n <= n
subgoal 3 is:
n <= n
```

Ecah one of the three subgoals is solved with auto with arith.

#### The following proofs use the same pattern:

```
Lemma maxn\_comm: forall n p, maxn n p = maxn p n.
Proof.
 intros n p; unfold maxn;
 destruct (cmpP n p), (cmpP p n); omega.
Qed.
Lemma maxn_le: forall n p q,
      n \le q \rightarrow p \le q \rightarrow maxn n p \le q.
Proof.
intros n p; unfold maxn; destruct (cmpP n p);
           auto with arith.
Qed.
```

```
Lemma min_plus_maxn : forall n p,
    minn n p + maxn n p = n + p.
Proof.
intros n p; unfold maxn, minn; destruct (cmpP n p);
    auto with arith.
Qed.
```

```
Definition compare_rev (c:Comparison) :=
match c with
 | Lt => Gt
 \mid Eq => Eq
 | Gt => I.t.
 end.
Lemma cmp_rev : forall n p,
   cmp n p = compare_rev (cmp p n).
Proof.
 intros n p; destruct (cmpP n p);destruct (cmpP p n) ;
trivial; try discriminate; intros; elimtype False; omega.
Qed.
```

```
Lemma cmp_antiym : forall n p,
    cmp n p = cmp p n -> n = p.
Proof.
  intros n p;rewrite cmp_rev;
  destruct (cmpP p n);auto ;try discriminate.
Qed.
```

Notice that all the proofs above use only the *specification* of a comparison function and not a concrete definition.

We are now able to provide an implementation of a comparison function, and prove its correctness :

```
End On_compare_spec.
```

end.

```
Lemma compareP : cmp_correct compare.
Proof.
  red;induction n;destruct p;simpl;auto;
  try (constructor;auto with arith).
  destruct (IHn p);constructor;auto with arith.
Qed.
Check maxn_comm _ compareP.
  : forall n p : nat, maxn compare n p = maxn compare p n
```

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The third constructor is useless! It may increase the size of the proofs by induction.

### Advice for crafting useful inductive definitions

- Constructors are "axioms": they should be intuitively true...
- Constructors should as often as possible deal with mutually exclusive cases, to ease proofs by induction;
- ► When an argument always appears with the same value, make it a parameter
- Test your predicate on negative and positive cases!

### A last example : The toy programming language

```
Lemma Assigned_inv1 : forall v w e,
   Assigned_in v (assign w e) ->
  v=w.
Proof
 intros v w e H; inversion H. ...
Lemma Assigned_inv2 : forall v s1 s2,
   Assigned_in v (sequence s1 s2) ->
   Assigned_in v s1 \/ Assigned_in v s2.
Proof.
intros v s1 s2 H; inversion H. ...
```

We can also define a boolean function for testing equality on variables :

```
We define a boolean test for the "assigned" property :
```

# Bridge lemmas

```
Lemma Assigned_In_OK : forall v s,
  Assigned_in v s ->
  assigned_inb v s = true.
Proof.
 intros v s H;induction H;simpl;...
Lemma Assigned_In_OK_R :
forall v s, assigned_inb v s = true ->
            Assigned_in v s.
Proof.
 induction s; simpl.
  . . .
```

# A small program

```
X := 0;
Y := 1;
Do Z times {
  X := X + 1;
  Y := Y * X
}
```

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```
Definition factorial_Z_program :=
sequence (assign X (const 0))
 (sequence
   (assign Y (const 1))
   (simple_loop (variable Z)
    (sequence
      (assign X
         (toy_op toy_plus (variable X) (const 1)))
      (assign Y
         (toy_op toy_mult (variable Y) (variable X))))).
```

Qed.

```
Lemma Z_{unassigned} : \sim (Assigned_in Z factorial_Z_program).
Proof.
intro H;assert (H0 := Assigned_In_OK _ _ H).
1 subgoal
 H : Assigned_in Z factorial_Z_program
 H0 : assigned_inb Z factorial_Z_program = true
  False
simpl in HO; discriminate HO.
```