



COMP 4161
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General Recursion

The Choice

- Limited expressiveness, automatic termination
 - `primrec`
- High expressiveness, termination proof may fail
 - `fun`
- High expressiveness, tweakable, termination proof manual
 - `function`

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Content



→ Intro & motivation, getting started

→ Foundations & Principles

- Lambda Calculus, natural deduction [2,3,4^a]
- Higher Order Logic [5,6^b,7]
- Term rewriting [8,9,10^c]

→ Proof & Specification Techniques

- Isar [11,12^d]
- Inductively defined sets, rule induction [13^e,15]
- Datatypes, recursion, induction [16,17^f,18,19]
- Calculational reasoning, mathematics style proofs [20]
- Hoare logic, proofs about programs [21^g,22,23]

^aa1 out; ^ba1 due; ^ca2 out; ^da2 due; ^esession break; ^fa3 out; ^ga3 due

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fun — examples

`fun sep :: "'a ⇒ 'a list ⇒ 'a list"`

where

`"sep a (x # y # zs) = x # a # sep a (y # zs)" |`
`"sep a xs = xs"`

`fun ack :: "nat ⇒ nat ⇒ nat"`

where

`"ack 0 n = Suc n" |`
`"ack (Suc m) 0 = ack m 1" |`
`"ack (Suc m) (Suc n) = ack m (ack (Suc m) n)"`

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→ The definition:

- pattern matching in all parameters
- arbitrary, linear constructor patterns
- reads equations sequentially like in Haskell (top to bottom)
- proves termination automatically in many cases (tries lexicographic order)

→ Generates own induction principle

→ May fail to prove termination:

- use **function (sequential)** instead
- allows you to prove termination manually

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fun — induction principle



→ Each **fun** definition induces an induction principle

→ For each equation:

show P holds for lhs, provided P holds for each recursive call on rhs

→ Example **sep.induct**:

```
[  $\bigwedge a. P a []$ ;  
   $\bigwedge a w. P a [w]$   
   $\bigwedge a x y zs. P a (y\#\#zs) \implies P a (x\#\#y\#\#zs)$ ;  
]  $\implies P a xs$ 
```

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Termination



Isabelle tries to prove termination automatically

- For most functions this works with a lexicographic termination relation.
- Sometimes not \Rightarrow error message with unsolved subgoal
- You can prove automation separately.

function (sequential) quicksort **where**

```
quicksort [] = [] |
```

```
quicksort (x\#\#xs) = quicksort [y  $\leftarrow$  xs.y  $\leq$  x]@ [x]@ quicksort [y  $\leftarrow$  xs.x < y]
```

by pat_completeness auto

termination

by (relation "measure length") (auto simp: less_Suc_eq_Le)

function is the fully tweakable, manual version of **fun**

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How does fun/function work?



Recall **primrec**:

- defined one recursion operator per datatype
- inductive definition of its graph $(x, f\ x) \in G$
- prove totality: $\forall x. \exists y. (x, y) \in G$
- prove uniqueness: $(x, y) \in G \Rightarrow (x, z) \in G \Rightarrow y = z$
- recursion operator: $rec\ x = THE\ y. (x, y) \in rec$

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How does fun/function work?



Similar strategy for **fun**:

- a new inductive definition for each **fun** f
- extract *recursion scheme* for equations in f
- define graph f_rel inductively, encoding recursion scheme
- prove totality (= termination)
- prove uniqueness (automatic)
- derive original equations from f_rel
- export induction scheme from f_rel

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How does fun/function work?



Can separate and defer termination proof:

- skip proof of totality
- instead derive equations of the form: $x \in f_dom \Rightarrow f\ x = \dots$
- similarly, conditional induction principle
- $f_dom = acc\ f_rel$
- acc = accessible part of f_rel
- the part that can be reached in finitely many steps
- termination = $\forall x. x \in f_dom$
- still have conditional equations for partial functions

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Proving Termination



Command **termination fun_name** sets up termination goal

$\forall x. x \in fun_name_dom$

Three main proof methods:

- **lexicographic_order** (default tried by **fun**)
- **size_change** (different automated technique)
- **relation R** (manual proof via well-founded relation)

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Well Founded Orders



Definition

$<_r$ is well founded if well founded induction holds
 $wf\ r \equiv \forall P. (\forall x. (\forall y <_r x. P\ y) \longrightarrow P\ x) \longrightarrow (\forall x. P\ x)$

Well founded induction rule:

$$\frac{wf\ r \quad \bigwedge x. (\forall y <_r x. P\ y) \Longrightarrow P\ x}{P\ a}$$

Alternative definition (equivalent):

there are no infinite descending chains, or (equivalent):
every nonempty set has a minimal element wrt $<_r$

$$\begin{aligned} \min\ r\ Q\ x &\equiv \forall y \in Q. y \not<_r x \\ wf\ r &= (\forall Q \neq \{\}. \exists m \in Q. \min\ r\ Q\ m) \end{aligned}$$

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Well Founded Orders: Examples



- $<$ on \mathbb{N} is well founded
well founded induction = complete induction
- $>$ and \leq on \mathbb{N} are **not** well founded
- $x <_r y = x\ \text{dvd}\ y \wedge x \neq 1$ on \mathbb{N} is well founded
the minimal elements are the prime numbers
- $(a, b) <_r (x, y) = a <_1 x \vee a = x \wedge b <_2 y$ is well founded
if $<_1$ and $<_2$ are
- $A <_r B = A \subset B \wedge \text{finite } B$ is well founded
- \subseteq and \subset in general are **not** well founded

More about well founded relations: *Term Rewriting and All That*

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Extracting the Recursion Scheme



So far for termination. What about the recursion scheme?
Not fixed anymore as in primrec.

Examples:

→ **fun fib where**
fib 0 = 1 |
fib (Suc 0) = 1 |
fib (Suc (Suc n)) = fib n + fib (Suc n)

Recursion: $\text{Suc}(\text{Suc } n) \rightsquigarrow n, \text{Suc}(\text{Suc } n) \rightsquigarrow \text{Suc } n$

→ **fun f where** $f\ x = (\text{if } x = 0 \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } f\ (x - 1) * 2)$

Recursion: $x \neq 0 \Longrightarrow x \rightsquigarrow x - 1$

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Extracting the Recursion Scheme



Higher Order:

→ **datatype** 'a tree = Leaf 'a | Branch 'a tree list
fun treemap :: ('a \Rightarrow 'a) \Rightarrow 'a tree \Rightarrow 'a tree **where**
treemap fn (Leaf n) = Leaf (fn n) |
treemap fn (Branch l) = Branch (map (treemap fn) l)

Recursion: $x \in \text{set } l \Longrightarrow (\text{fn}, \text{Branch } l) \rightsquigarrow (\text{fn}, x)$

How to extract the context information for the call?

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Extracting the Recursion Scheme



Extracting context for equations

\Rightarrow

Congruence Rules!

Recall rule **if_cong**:

$$\begin{aligned} & \llbracket b = c; c \implies x = u; \neg c \implies y = v \rrbracket \implies \\ & \llbracket \text{if } b \text{ then } x \text{ else } y \rrbracket = \llbracket \text{if } c \text{ then } u \text{ else } v \rrbracket \end{aligned}$$

Read: for transforming x , use b as context information, for y use $\neg b$.

In fun_def: for recursion in x , use b as context, for y use $\neg b$.

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Congruence Rules for fun_defs



The same works for function definitions.

```
declare my_rule[fundef_cong]
(if_cong already added by default)
```

Another example (higher-order):

$$\llbracket xs = ys; \bigwedge x. x \in \text{set } ys \implies f\ x = g\ x \rrbracket \implies \text{map } f\ xs = \text{map } g\ ys$$

Read: for recursive calls in f , f is called with elements of xs

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Further Reading



Alexander Krauss,
Automating Recursive Definitions and Termination Proofs in Higher-Order Logic.
PhD thesis, TU Munich, 2009.

http://www4.in.tum.de/~krauss/diss/krauss_phd.pdf

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We have seen today ...



- General recursion with **fun/function**
- Induction over recursive functions
- How **fun** works
- Termination, partial functions, congruence rules

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