Recursion, Induction, and Iteration

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A Simple Property of Sum

We would like to prove the following closed form solution to sum:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}.$$

In PVS:

```
closed_form: THEOREM

sum(n) = (n * (n + 1)) / 2
```

Induction Proofs

(induct/\$ var &optional (fnum 1) name) :

Selects an induction scheme according to the type of VAR in FNUM and uses formula FNUM to formulate an induction predicate, then simplifies yielding base and induction cases. The induction scheme can be explicitly supplied as the optional NAME argument.

Induction Schemes from the Prelude

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Rule? (induct-and-simplify "n")
Rewriting with sum
Rewriting with sum
By induction on n, and by repeatedly rewriting and simplifying,
Q.E.D.
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Limitations of automation

Consider the *n*th factorial:

$$n! = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 1, & ext{if } n = 0 \\ n(n-1)!, & ext{otherwise.} \end{array} \right.$$

In the NASA PVS theory ints@factorial:

```
factorial(n : nat): RECURSIVE posnat =
   IF n = 0 THEN 1 ELSE n * factorial(n - 1) ENDIF
MEASURE n
```

A Simple Property of Factorial

```
\forall n : n! > n
```

In PVS:

```
factorial_ge : LEMMA
  FORALL (n:nat): factorial(n) >= n
```

A Series of Unfortunate Events . . .

```
Rule? (induct-and-simplify "n")
Rewriting with factorial
Rewriting with factorial
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Warning: Rewriting depth = 50; Rewriting with factorial
Warning: Rewriting depth = 100; Rewriting with factorial
...
```

Whenever the theorem prover falls into an infinite loop, the Emacs command C-c C-c will force PVS to break into Lisp. The Lisp command (restore) will return to the PVS state prior to the last proof command.

```
Error: Received signal number 2 (Interrupt)
  [condition type: interrupt-signal]
Restart actions (select using :continue):
 0: continue computation
 1: Return to Top Level (an "abort" restart).
2: Abort entirely from this (lisp) process.
[1c] pvs(137): (restore)
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Rule? (expand "factorial" -2 2)

But The Price is Higher

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Skolemizing with the names of the bound variables,
this simplifies to:
fact_it2_TCC5 :
\{-1\} n >= 0
\{-2\} i <= n
\{-3\} a > 0
  |----
\{1\} i = n
{2} v(n, i + 1, a * (i + 1)) = a * factorial(n) /
                                     factorial(i)
```

```
Rule? (name-replace "HI" "v(n, i + 1, a * (i + 1))")
Using HI to name and replace v(n, i + 1, a * (i + 1)),
this yields 2 subgoals:
fact_it2_TCC5.1:

[-1] n >= 0
[-2] i <= n
[-3] a > 0
    |------
[1] i = n
{2} HI = a * factorial(n) / factorial(i)
```

Rule? (typepred "HI")

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```
Rule? (typepred "HI")
Adding type constraints for HI,
this simplifies to:
fact_it2_TCC5.1 :
\{-1\} HI > 0
\{-2\} HI = (factorial(n) * a + factorial(n) * a * i) /
           factorial(1 + i)
[-3] n >= 0
[-4] i <= n
[-5] a > 0
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Rule? (expand "factorial" -2 3)

```
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       (factorial(i) + factorial(i) * i)
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this simplifies to:
fact_it2_TCC5.1 :
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Iterating REPLACE,
this simplifies to:
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```

Rule? (grind-reals)
Rewriting with pos_div_gt
Rewriting with cross_mult

Applying GRIND-REALS,

This completes the proof of fact_it2_TCC5.1.

► All the other subgoals are discharged by (assert).

Induction-Free Induction

- + Induction scheme based the recursive definition of the function not on the measure function!.
- + Proofs exploit type-checker power.
 - Some TCCs look scary (but they are easy to tame)
 - If you modify the definitions, the TCCs get re-arranged (be careful or you can lose your proof)
 - ? Can this method be used when the recursive function was not originally typed that way?

Recursive Judgments

Consider the Ackermann function:

$$A(m.n) = \begin{cases} n+1, & \text{if } m = 0 \\ A(m-1,1), & \text{if } m > 0 \text{ and } n = 0 \\ A(m-1,A(m,n-1)), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In PVS:

```
ack(m,n) : RECURSIVE nat =
   IF    m = 0 THEN n+1
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MEASURE lex2(m,n)
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Ackermann

Proving this fact:

$$\forall m, n : A(m, n) > m + n$$

by regular induction is not trivial: you may need two nested inductions!

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n+1 > m+n;

ack_gt_m_n_TCC3: OBLIGATION
  FORALL (v: [d: [nat, nat] -> above(d'1+d'2)], m, n: nat):
    n=0 AND NOT m=0 IMPLIES v(m-1, 1) > m+n;

ack_gt_m_n_TCC7: OBLIGATION
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Applying for_induction[real]
this simplifies to:
fact_for :
{-1} FORALL (i, j: int, a: real, f: ForBody[real](i, j),
              inv: PRED[[UpTo[real](1 + j - i), real]]):
        (inv(0, a) AND
          (FORALL (k: subrange(0, j - i), ak: real):
             inv(k, ak) IMPLIES inv(k + 1, f(i + k, ak)))
         IMPLIES inv(j - i + 1, for(i, j, a, f))
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       factorial(n)
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fact_for.1 :
      FORALL (inv:PRED[[UpTo[real](n)real]]):
        (inv(0,1) AND
          (FORALL (k:subrange(0,n-1),ak:real):
             inv(k,ak) IMPLIES inv(k+1,ak+ak*(0+k))))
         IMPLIES
         inv(n,
             for(0,n-1,1,LAMBDA (i:below(n),a:real):a+a*i))
[1]
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       factorial(n)
```

- ▶ The variable i in the invariant refers to the ith iteration.
- Remaining subgoals are discharged with (grind). See Examples/Lecture-2.pvs.

Inductive Definitions

- An inductive definition gives rules for generating members of a set.
- ► An object is in the set, only if it has been generated according to the rules.
- An inductively defined set is the smallest set closed under the rules.
- PVS automatically generates weak and strong induction schemes that are used by command (rule-induct "<name>") command.

Even and Odd

```
even(n:nat): INDUCTIVE bool =
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Induction Schemes

The definition of even generates the following induction schemes (use the Emacs command M-x ppe):

```
even_weak_induction: AXIOM
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     IMPLIES P(n))
   TMPLTES
     (FORALL (n: nat): even(n) IMPLIES P(n)):
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The proof can then be completed using
(skosimp*)(rewrite "odd" +)(ground)
```

The predicates odd and even can be defined using a mutual-recursion:

```
\begin{array}{rcl} \operatorname{even?}(0) & = & \operatorname{true} \\ \operatorname{odd?}(0) & = & \operatorname{false} \\ \operatorname{odd?}(1) & = & \operatorname{true} \\ \operatorname{even?}(n+1) & = & \operatorname{odd?}(n) \\ \operatorname{odd?}(n+1) & = & \operatorname{even?}(n) \end{array}
```

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```

The only recursive definition is my_odd?

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