we have $\mathcal{F}[rem(x, y)]$, that is,

$$(\forall integer \ x') \begin{bmatrix} gcd\big(x',\ rem(x,\ y)\big) \preceq_{div} x' \\ and \\ gcd\big(x',\ rem(x,\ y)\big) \preceq_{div} rem(x,\ y) \end{bmatrix}$$

(Note that we have renamed the bound variable x of the induction hypothesis to x', to avoid capturing the free occurrence of x in rem(x, y).) In particular (taking x' to be y), we obtain

$$gcd(y, rem(x, y)) \leq_{div} y$$

 and
 $gcd(y, rem(x, y)) \leq_{div} rem(x, y),$

which is the statement (*) we were trying to establish.

Because we have established the desired result in both cases, we have $\operatorname{com-pleted}$ the proof.

Note that the proof of the inductive step for the case in which y=0 was completed without appealing to the induction hypothesis. This corresponds to the base case in a stepwise induction proof.

Remark (why not stepwise induction?). The above proof would be awkward to carry out by stepwise induction rather than complete induction. In the inductive step we attempted to prove our desired conclusion $\mathcal{F}[y]$, which is of the form

$$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{G}[x, \ y],$$

where

$$\mathcal{G}[x, y]: egin{array}{c} gcd(x, y) \preceq_{div} x \ and \ gcd(x, y) \preceq_{div} y. \end{array}$$

For an arbitrary nonnegative integer x, we found (in the case in which not (y = 0)) that to establish $\mathcal{G}[x, y]$ it suffices to establish the corresponding condition (*),

We were then able to apply our induction hypothesis,

$$(\forall integer \ y') \begin{bmatrix} if \ y' < y \\ then \ (\forall integer \ x) \mathcal{G}[x, \ y'] \end{bmatrix}$$

to establish (renaming x to x' and taking y' to be rem(x, y), since rem(x, y) < y) that

$$(\forall integer x')\mathcal{G}[x', rem(x, y)].$$

This gives the desired condition (*), taking x' to be y.

Had we attempted the proof by the (decomposition version of) stepwise induction on y, our induction hypothesis would have been simply

$$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{G}[x, \ y-1].$$

This does not necessarily give us the condition (*), that is, $\mathcal{G}[y, rem(x, y)]$, because rem(x, y) can be any nonnegative integer less than y. A successful stepwise-induction proof (whether by the *decomposition* version or the original version) requires a more complex inductive sentence.

The proof of the *common-divisor* proposition illustrates some of the strategic aspects of performing a proof by induction.

Remark (generalization). The proof of the *common-divisor* proposition did not require us to generalize the sentence to be proved, but it can be used to illustrate the need for generalization. Suppose, instead of being given the sentence

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} gcd(x, \ y) \leq_{div} x \\ and \\ gcd(x, \ y) \leq_{div} y \end{bmatrix}$$

to prove, we had been given only the left conjunct,

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[gcd(x, \ y) \leq_{div} x].$$

Although this is a weaker sentence, we would not be able to establish it by imitating the above proof. We can see this as follows:

Suppose we reverse the quantifiers and attempt to prove

$$(\forall integer \ y, \ x)[gcd(x, \ y) \leq_{div} x]$$

by complete induction on y, taking the inductive sentence to be

$$\mathcal{F}[y]: (\forall integer \ x)[gcd(x, \ y) \leq_{div} x].$$

The desired conclusion of the inductive step would also be

$$(\forall integer \ x)[gcd(x, y) \leq_{div} x].$$

For an arbitrary nonnegative integer x, we would succeed in showing (in the case in which not (y = 0)) that, to establish the subsentence

$$gcd(x, y) \leq_{div} x,$$

it suffices to establish the sentence (*),

$$gcd(y, rem(x, y)) \preceq_{div} y$$

 and
 $gcd(y, rem(x, y)) \preceq_{div} rem(x, y),$

as in our original proof.

However, because we are attempting to show a weaker sentence, our induction hypothesis is the correspondingly weaker sentence

$$(\forall integer \ y') \begin{bmatrix} if \ y' < y \\ then \ (\forall integer \ x) [gcd(x, \ y') \preceq_{div} x] \end{bmatrix}.$$

Our weaker induction hypothesis would allow us to show (taking y' to be rem(x, y) and x to be y, because rem(x, y) < y) that

$$gcd(y, rem(x, y)) \leq_{div} y,$$

which is the first conjunct of the sentence (*) we need to establish. We could not easily show the second conjunct, that

$$gcd(y, rem(x, y)) \preceq_{div} rem(x, y).$$

In fact, if initially we were only given the single condition

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[gcd(x, \ y) \leq_{div} x]$$

to prove, we would have had to discover the second condition ourselves and prove the more general, stronger statement consisting of the conjunction of the two conditions together, as we did in the proposition. This generalization process may require some ingenuity.

The proposition we have just established states that, for all nonnegative integers x and y, the nonnegative integer gcd(x, y) is indeed a common divisor of x and y, i.e., it exhibits the common-divisor relationship

$$gcd(x, y) \leq_{div} x$$
 and $gcd(x, y) \leq_{div} y$.

It can also be shown that gcd(x, y) is the "greatest" common divisor of x and y, where "greatest" means greatest with respect to the divides relation \leq_{div} . In other words, for every nonnegative integer z, if z is a common divisor of x and y, that is, if

$$z \leq_{div} x$$
 and $z \leq_{div} y$,

then gcd(x, y) is "greater" than z, that is,

$$z \leq_{div} gcd(x, y).$$

In short,

$$(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y, \ z) \begin{bmatrix} if \ z \preceq_{div} x \ and \ z \preceq_{div} y \\ then \ z \preceq_{div} gcd(x, \ y) \end{bmatrix}$$
 (greatest)

The proof of this property is left as an exercise (Problem 8.12).

We have defined the greatest-common-divisor function gcd(x, y) in terms of the rather unnatural looking zero and remainder axioms; we can then establish that gcd(x, y) is indeed a greatest common divisor of x and y. In an alternative augmentation of the theory, we can define the function by axioms that express the desired property, that gcd(x, y) is a greatest common divisor of x and y. In other words, we take the common-divisor and greatest properties to be the axioms for gcd, and then prove the original zero and remainder axioms as properties. These alternative axioms, however, do not suggest a method for computing the gcd function.

8.10 THE LEAST-NUMBER PRINCIPLE

In this section, we establish a basic property of the nonnegative integers, which turns out to be equivalent to the *complete induction* principle.

Proposition (least-number principle)

For each sentence $\mathcal{G}[x]$, the universal closure of the sentence

$$if \ (\exists \ integer \ x)\mathcal{G}[x]$$

$$then \ (\exists \ integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{G}[x] \\ and \\ (\forall \ integer \ x') \begin{bmatrix} if \ x' < x \\ then \ not \ \mathcal{G}[x'] \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(least \ number)$$

where x' does not occur free in $\mathcal{G}[x]$, is valid.

In other words, if a statement $\mathcal{G}[x]$ is true for some nonnegative integer x, there must be a least nonnegative integer x' for which it is true.

Proof. Consider an arbitrary sentence $\mathcal{G}[x]$, where x' is not free in $\mathcal{G}[x]$.

Recall that the *complete induction* principle asserted that, for each sentence $\mathcal{F}[x]$, the universal closure of the sentence

$$if \ (\forall \ integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} if \ (\forall \ integer \ x') \begin{bmatrix} if \ x' < x \\ then \ \mathcal{F}[x'] \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

then $(\forall integer x)\mathcal{F}[x]$

is valid, where x' is not free in $\mathcal{F}[x]$. If we take $\mathcal{F}[x]$ to be not $\mathcal{G}[x]$, we obtain

$$if \ (\forall \ integer \ x) \left[\begin{matrix} if \ (\forall \ integer \ x') \\ then \ not \ \mathcal{G}[x] \end{matrix} \right] \right]$$

then $(\forall integer \ x)[not \ \mathcal{G}[x]].$

Using the propositional-logic equivalence

$$egin{bmatrix} if & \mathcal{H}_1 \\ then & not & \mathcal{H}_2 \end{bmatrix} & \equiv & not & \left[\mathcal{H}_1 & and & \mathcal{H}_2
ight], \end{split}$$

we obtain the equivalent sentence

$$if \ (\forall \ integer \ x) \ not \begin{bmatrix} (\forall \ integer \ x') \begin{bmatrix} if \ x' < x \\ then \ not \ \mathcal{G}[x'] \end{bmatrix} \\ and \\ \mathcal{G}[x] \end{bmatrix}$$

then $(\forall integer \ x)[not \ \mathcal{G}[x]].$

By the duality between the universal and existential quantifiers, this is equivalent to

$$if \ \ not \ (\exists \ integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} (\forall \ integer \ x') \begin{bmatrix} if \ \ x' < x \\ then \ \ not \ \mathcal{G}[x'] \end{bmatrix} \\ and \\ \mathcal{G}[x] \end{bmatrix}$$

then not $(\exists integer x)G[x]$.

Because any sentence is equivalent to its contrapositive, that is,

$$\begin{bmatrix} if & not \ \mathcal{H}_1 \\ then & not \ \mathcal{H}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \equiv \quad \begin{bmatrix} if \ \mathcal{H}_2 \\ then \ \mathcal{H}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is valid in propositional logic, we obtain

$$if \ (\exists \ integer \ x) \mathcal{G}[x] \ then \ (\exists \ integer \ x) egin{bmatrix} (orall \ integer \ x') \ [if \ x' < x \ then \ not \ \mathcal{G}[x'] \end{bmatrix} \ and \ \mathcal{G}[x] \ \end{bmatrix}$$

or equivalently, reversing the conjuncts,

$$if \ (\exists \ integer \ x)\mathcal{G}[x]$$

$$then \ (\exists \ integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{G}[x] \\ and \\ (\forall \ integer \ x') \begin{bmatrix} if \ x' < x \\ then \ not \ \mathcal{G}[x'] \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

This is precisely the *least-number* principle for the sentence G[x].

Note that the proof of the validity of the *least-number* principle required only the *complete induction* principle and properties of propositional and predicate logic; it made no mention of other properties of the less-than relation < or of the nonnegative integers. One can actually establish that the *least-number* principle and the *complete induction* principle are equivalent in predicate logic.

PROBLEMS

As usual, you may use in your proofs any property that is stated in the text earlier than the page reference for the problem, even if that property is given without proof; and you may use the results of any previous problem, even if you haven't solved that problem yourself.

problem 8.1 (addition) page 384, 392

Establish the validity of the following sentences in the theory of the nonnegative integers, augmented by the axioms for addition:

- (a) Sort $(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[integer(x+y)]$
- (b) Associativity $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) [(x+y) + z = x + (y+z)]$
- (c) Left cancellation $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) \begin{bmatrix} if \ z + x = z + y \\ then \ x = y \end{bmatrix}$
- (d) Right cancellation $(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y, \ z) \begin{bmatrix} if \ \ x+z=y+z \\ then \ \ x=y \end{bmatrix}$
- (e) Annihilation $(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} if \ x+y=0 \\ then \ x=0 \ and \ y=0 \end{bmatrix} .$

Problem 8.2 (multiplication) page 393

Establish the validity of the following sentences in the theory of the nonnegative integers, augmented by the axioms for addition and multiplication:

- (a) Sort $(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[integer(x \cdot y)]$
- (b) Right one $(\forall integer \ x)[x \cdot 1 = x]$
- (c) Left zero $(\forall integer \ x)[0 \cdot x = 0]$
- (d) Left successor $(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[(x+1) \cdot y = x \cdot y + y]$
- (e) Left one $(\forall integer \ x)[1 \cdot x = x]$

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(f) Right distributivity $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z)[x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z]$

- (g) Associativity $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) [(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)]$
- (h) Commutativity $(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[x \cdot y = y \cdot x]$
- (i) Left distributivity $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) [(x+y) \cdot z = x \cdot z + y \cdot z]$

Problem 8.3 (exponentiation) page 394

(a) Use the axioms for the exponentiation function to determine the value of 32

Establish the validity of the following sentences in the theory of the nonnegative integers, augmented by the axioms for addition, multiplication, and exponentiation:

- (b) Sort $(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[integer(x^y)]$
- (c) Exp one $(\forall integer \ x)[x^1 = x]$
- (d) Zero exp $(\forall integer \ y) \begin{bmatrix} if & not \ (y=0) \\ then \ 0^y = 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (e) One exp $(\forall integer \ y)[1^y = 1]$
- (f) Exp plus $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) [x^{y+z} = (x^y) \cdot (x^z)]$
- (g) Exp times $(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z)[x^{y \cdot z} = (x^y)^z]$

Problem 8.4 (factorial) page 398

Suppose we augment our theory of the nonnegative integers by formulating two axioms that define a unary function symbol x!, denoting the factorial function under the intended model for the nonnegative integers. The axioms are

$$0! = 1$$
 (zero)

$$(\forall integer \ x)\big[(x+1)! \ = \ (x+1)\cdot(x!)\big] \qquad \qquad (successor)$$

For example,

$$3! = 3 \cdot (2!) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot (1!) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot (0!) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 6.$$

Let us introduce an alternative definition of the factorial function by formulating two additional axioms that define a binary function symbol fact2(x, y), as follows:

$$(\forall integer \ y)[fact2(0, \ y) = y]$$
 (zero)

$$(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} fact2(x+1, \ y) \\ = \\ fact2\big(x, \ (x+1) \cdot y\big) \end{bmatrix}$$
 (successor)

Prove that the sentence

$$(\forall integer \ x)[fact2(x, 1) = x!]$$
 (alternative definition)

is valid.

Hint: Prove a more general property.

Problem 8.5 (predecessor and subtraction) page 399, 401

Establish the validity of the following sentences in the theory of the non-negative integers augmented by the axioms for the addition, predecessor, and subtraction functions and the *positive* relation:

(a) Decomposition

$$(\forall positive x)[x = (x^-) + 1]$$

(b) Right one

$$(\forall positive x)[x-1 = x^-]$$

(c) Addition

$$(\forall integer x, y)[(x+y)-y = x]$$

(d) Negative

$$(\forall integer x, y)[x - (y + x) = 0 - y]$$

Problem 8.6 (subtraction axiom) page 401

(a) Show that the sentence

$$\mathcal{F}$$
: $(\forall integer x, y, z)[(x-y) + z = (x+z) - y]$

is not valid in the augmented theory of the nonnegative integers.

(b) If we add \mathcal{F} to the theory as a new axiom, is the resulting theory consistent? Justify your answer.

Problem 8.7 (weak less-than) page 403

In the augmented theory of the nonnegative integers, establish the validity of the *left-addition* property for the weak less-than relation, that is,

$$(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} x \leq y \\ \equiv \\ (\exists \ integer \ z) \big[x + z = y \big] \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 8.8 (max and min) page 405

In the augmented theory of the nonnegative integers, establish the validity of the following properties of the maximum and minimum functions:

(a) Greater-than

$$(orall \ integer \ x, \ y) egin{bmatrix} max(x, \ y) \geq x \ and \ max(x, \ y) \geq y \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Minimax

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) \begin{bmatrix} min(x, \ max(y, \ z)) \\ = \\ max(min(x, \ y), \ min(x, \ z)) \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 8.9 (quotient-remainder) page 409, 414

In the augmented theory of the nonnegative integers, establish the validity of the following properties of the quotient and remainder functions:

(a) Sort (for quotient)

$$\begin{array}{c} (\forall \ integer \ x) \\ (\forall \ positive \ y) \end{array} [integer \big(quot(x, \ y)\big)] \end{array}$$

(b) Sort (for remainder)

$$\begin{array}{l} (\forall \ integer \ x) \\ (\forall \ positive \ y) \end{array} \big[integer \big(rem(x, \ y) \big) \big] \\ \end{array}$$

(c) Uniqueness

$$(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y, \ u, \ v) \left[if \quad \begin{bmatrix} x = y \cdot u + v \\ and \\ v < y \end{bmatrix} \quad then \quad \begin{bmatrix} u = quot(x, \ y) \\ and \\ v = rem(x, \ y) \end{bmatrix} \right].$$

Problem 8.10 (quotient-remainder by stepwise induction) page 417

Prove the *quotient-remainder* proposition by stepwise induction, without using complete induction. More precisely, do the following:

- (a) Suggest an inductive sentence \mathcal{F} for the stepwise induction proof.
- (b) Give the stepwise induction proof of your inductive sentence.
- (c) Use the validity of \mathcal{F} to establish the quotient-remainder proposition.

Problem 8.11 (divides relation) page 419

In the theory of the nonnegative integers augmented by the definition of the divides relation, establish the validity of the following sentences:

(a) Right zero

$$(\forall integer \ x)[x \leq_{div} 0]$$

(b) Left zero

$$(\forall positive y)[not (0 \leq_{div} y)]$$

(c) Greater than

$$\begin{array}{l} (\forall \ integer \ x) \left[if \ \ x > y \\ (\forall \ positive \ y) \left[then \ not \ (x \preceq_{div} y) \right] \end{array} \right]$$

(d) Subtraction

$$(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} if \quad x \leq y \\ then \quad \begin{bmatrix} x \preceq_{div} y \\ \equiv \\ x \preceq_{div} (y - x) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Show also that these properties constitute an alternative definition for the divides relation. In other words, in the theory of the nonnegative integers augmented by the above four properties, establish the validity of the original definition of \leq_{div} :

(e) Divides

$$(\forall \ integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} x \preceq_{div} y \\ \equiv \\ (\exists \ integer \ z)[x \cdot z = y] \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 8.12 (greatest common divisor) page 426

Establish that the greatest common divisor gcd(x, y) is indeed the "greatest" of the common divisors of x and y, with respect to the divides relation \leq_{div} ; in other words, in the augmented theory of the nonnegative integers, establish the validity of the sentence

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) \begin{bmatrix} if \ z \leq_{div} x \ and \ z \leq_{div} y \\ then \ z \leq_{div} gcd(x, \ y) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Problem 8.13 (fallacious induction principle) page 379

One would expect that, for each sentence $\mathcal{F}[x]$ in the theory of the nonnegative integers, the universal closure of the following sentence would be valid:

After all, the above sentence is obtained from the original induction principle by "renaming" the bound variable x of the inductive step to y.

In fact, if y occurs free in $\mathcal{F}[x]$, the sentence is not always true. Find a sentence $\mathcal{F}[x]$ in the theory for which the universal closure of the above implication is not valid.

Problem 8.14 (decomposition property) page 382

Consider a theory defined by the axioms of the unaugmented theory of the nonnegative integers without the *induction* principle. Show that the *decomposition* property is not valid in this theory. That is, present an interpretation under which all the axioms (other than the *induction* principle) are true but the *decomposition* property is false.

Problem 8.15 (decomposition induction principle) page 402

Establish the decomposition induction principle, that is, show that for each sentence $\mathcal{F}[x]$, the universal closure of the sentence

$$ifegin{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}[0] & and & \\ (orall \ positive \ x) egin{bmatrix} if \ \mathcal{F}[x-1] \\ then \ (orall \ integer \ x) \mathcal{F}[x] \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

is valid.

Problem 8.16 (no induction principle) page 406

Consider a theory defined by the two generation axioms and the two uniqueness axioms for the nonnegative integers and the two axioms for addition. Note that this theory does not have an induction principle.

Show that the valid sentences of this theory are not the same as the valid sentences of the augmented theory of the nonnegative integers, by exhibiting a model \mathcal{I} for the six axioms of this theory such that the sentence

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)(\exists integer \ z)[x+z=y \ or \ y+z=x]$$

is false. Intuitively speaking, this sentence says that for all integers x and y, either $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$.

11

Deductive Tableaux

We have introduced a deductive-tableau system to prove the validity of sentences in predicate logic and in finite theories, with or without equality. In this chapter, we adapt the system to prove validity in more complex theories, theories with induction.

We have seen how we can add axioms as assertions into tableaux in predicate logic (with or without equality) to establish the validity of sentences in particular finite theories. The various forms of the principle of mathematical induction, however, are all axiom schemata, each corresponding to an infinite set of axioms. We have devised no method for dealing with axiom schemata within the tableau framework. We cannot introduce an infinite set of assertions into a tableau. Instead, for each theory, we represent the induction principle as a new deduction rule.

11.1 NONNEGATIVE INTEGERS

We begin by reviewing a typical theory with stepwise induction, that of the nonnegative integers. In this theory, we shall use k, ℓ , and m, with or without subscripts, as additional constant symbols.

AXIOMS

The nonnegative integers have been defined by a set of generation and uniqueness axioms and by the induction principle. Let us consider first the axioms.

In the theory of nonnegative integers we have the generation axioms

$$integer(0)$$
 $(zero)$ $(\forall integer x)[integer(x+1)]$ $(successor)$

and the uniqueness axioms

$$(\forall integer \ x) [not \ (x+1=0)]$$

$$(zero)$$

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} if \ x+1=y+1 \\ then \ x=y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(successor)$$

A tableau over the nonnegative integers is a tableau with equality with the zero and successor generation axioms and the zero and successor uniqueness axioms as initial assertions.

The relativized-quantifier notation (\forall integer ...) requires special attention here. Without using this notation, the *successor* generation axiom, for example, is actually

$$(\forall x) \begin{bmatrix} if & integer(x) \\ then & integer(x+1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the corresponding assertion should be (applying outermost skolemization)

assertions		goals
if integer(x)		
then $integer(x+1)$	(successor)	

Similarly for the uniqueness axioms:

if integer(x) then not (x + 1 = 0)	(zero)	
$if integer(x) and integer(y) \ then if x+1=y+1 \ then \ x=y$	(successor)	

The axioms that define new functions (e.g., multiplication) or new relations (e.g., less than) are included as assertions, as before. Once we have proved a property over the nonnegative integers, we may add it as an assertion to all subsequent tableaux over the nonnegative integers.

Because the tableau is with equality, we include the *reflexivity* axiom (x = x) among our assertions, and we may also use the *equality* rule.

INDUCTION RULE

In addition to the generation and uniqueness axioms, the nonnegative integers were also defined in terms of the (stepwise) induction principle:

For each sentence
$$\mathcal{F}[x]$$
 in the theory, the universal closure of the sentence
$$if \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}[0] \\ and \\ (\forall integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} if \ \mathcal{F}[x] \\ then \ \mathcal{F}[x+1] \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
 (induction)
$$then \ (\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$$
 is an axiom.

We would like to incorporate this axiom schema, which was used for informal proofs, into our deductive-tableau framework as a deduction rule. We therefore include in a tableau over the nonnegative integers a new deduction rule for mathematical induction. This induction rule allows us to establish a goal of form

$$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$$

by proving the conjunction of a base case and an inductive step.

Rule (stepwise induction)

For a closed sentence

$$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x],$$

we have

assertions	goals
	$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$
	$\mathcal{F}[0] \ and \ \left[egin{array}{l} if & integer(m) \ then & if & \mathcal{F}[m] \ then & \mathcal{F}[m+1] \end{array} ight]$

where m is a new constant.

Here the conjunct

$$\mathcal{F}[0]$$

corresponds to the base case, and the conjunct

$$egin{aligned} & if & integer(m) \ & then & if & \mathcal{F}[m] \ & then & \mathcal{F}[m+1] \end{aligned}$$

corresponds to the inductive step of an informal stepwise-induction proof.

Remark (closed sentence). We are permitted to apply the $stepwise\ induction$ rule only if the goal is a closed sentence. Otherwise, if the goal

$$(\forall integer x)\mathcal{F}[x]$$

contains a free variable y, it actually stands for the existentially quantified goal $(\exists y)(\forall integer x)\mathcal{F}[x].$

We cannot apply the *induction* principle to prove an existentially quantified sentence.

We give an informal justification of the rule.

Justification (stepwise induction). The induction rule preserves validity, not equivalence. Let us show that, if the required goal

assertions	goals
	$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$

appears in the tableau, then we may add the generated rows without affecting the validity of the tableau.

By the *stepwise induction* principle, we know that, to show the truth of a closed sentence

$$(\forall integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x],$$

it suffices to establish the conjunction

$$\mathcal{F}[0]$$
and
 $(\forall integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} if \ \mathcal{F}[x] \\ then \ \mathcal{F}[x+1] \end{bmatrix}$

(We need not consider the universal closure of the sentence since by our assumption it contains no free variables.)

Thus (by the implied-row property) we may add to our tableau the new goal

$\mathcal{F}[0]$
and
$(\forall \ integer \ x) \begin{bmatrix} if \ \mathcal{F}[x] \\ then \ \mathcal{F}[x+1] \end{bmatrix}$
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that is,

$$\mathcal{F}[0]$$

$$and$$

$$(\forall x)^{\forall} \begin{bmatrix} if \ integer(x) \\ then \ if \ \mathcal{F}[x] \\ then \ \mathcal{F}[x+1] \end{bmatrix}$$

Because the quantifier $(\forall x)$ of this goal is of universal force, we may drop the quantifier (by the \forall -elimination rule), replacing the variable x with the new skolem constant m (because the goal has no free variables), to obtain

$$\mathcal{F}[0]$$
 and $egin{bmatrix} if & integer(m) \ then & if & \mathcal{F}[m] \ then & \mathcal{F}[m+1] \end{bmatrix}$

This is precisely the goal derived by the rule. By the *intermediate-tableau* property (Section 5.1), we do not need to include the intermediate goal.

EXAMPLES

We illustrate the proof of some properties in the theory of nonnegative integers. The reader may observe that there is a close correspondence between these deductive-tableau proofs and informal proofs of the same properties in Section 8.2.

Example (left-zero). The addition function + is defined by the two axioms

$$(\forall integer \ x)[x+0 = x]$$
 (right zero)
$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[x+(y+1) = (x+y)+1]$$
 (right successor)

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goal

We would like to show that 0 is a left identity for addition, that is,

$$(\forall integer \ x)[0+x = x]$$
 (left zero)

We begin with the goal

assertions	goals
	G1. $(\forall integer \ x)[0+x=x]$

in a tableau over the nonnegative integers.

The tableau contains among its assertions the generation and uniqueness axioms for the nonnegative integers, the *reflexivity* axiom for equality, and the two axioms for addition,

Applying the stepwise induction rule to goal G1, we obtain the goal

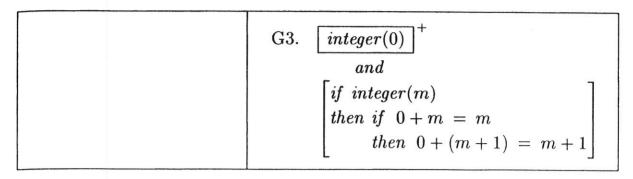
G2.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0+0=0 \end{bmatrix}^{+}$$
and
$$\begin{bmatrix} if & integer(m) \\ then & if & 0+m=m \\ then & 0+(m+1)=m+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The first conjunct corresponds to the base case and the second to the inductive step of an informal stepwise-induction proof.

Recall the right-zero axiom for addition,

$$if integer(x) \\ then x + 0 = x$$

By the resolution rule, applied to the axiom and goal G2, with $\{x \leftarrow 0\}$, the first conjunct of goal G2 may be dropped, leaving



Recall the zero generation axiom

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oxed{integer(0)}^-
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By the resolution rule, applied to the axiom and goal G3, the first conjunct of the goal may be dropped, leaving

G4. if
$$integer(m)$$

then if $0 + m = m$
then $0 + (m + 1) = m + 1$

We have thus proved the base case of the induction; it remains to show the inductive step, i.e., goal G4.

By two applications of the if-split rule, we may break down goal G4 into

A5. $integer(m)$	
A6. 0+m = m	
	$G7. \boxed{0+(m+1)} = m+1$

Assertion A6 corresponds to the induction hypothesis, and goal G7 to the desired conclusion, of the inductive step of an informal induction proof. Assertion A5 corresponds to the phrase "Consider an arbitrary nonnegative integer m..."

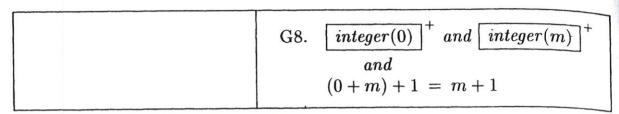
Recall the right-successor axiom for addition,

if
$$integer(x)$$
 and $integer(y)$
then $\left[x + (y+1)\right] = (x+y) + 1$

By the equality rule, with $\{x \leftarrow 0, y \leftarrow m\}$, we obtain

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Recall the zero generation axiom,

integer(0)

and the assertion A5,

 $oxed{integer(m)}^-$

By two applications of the *resolution* rule, to these assertions and the goal G8, we obtain

G9.
$$0+m+1=m+1$$

By the equality rule again, using the induction hypothesis (assertion A6),

$$\left[\boxed{0+m} \right] = m \right]^{-}$$

we may reduce goal G9 to

G10.
$$\boxed{m+1 = m+1}^+$$

Finally, by the reflexivity of equality, we obtain the goal

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G11.	true

This completes the proof of the left-zero property

$$(\forall integer \ x)[0+x = x].$$

We may now include this property as an assertion in future tableaux over the nonnegative integers.

Note that the base case and the inductive step of an informal proof by induction correspond to a single proof in the deductive-tableau system.

Remark (beware of hasty skolemization). In a pure predicate-logic tableau proof, there is little harm in applying the skolemization rules to eliminate all quantifiers, at least those of strict force. On the other hand, in a tableau proof over the nonnegative integers, we must exercise some discretion in removing quantifiers. If we remove the outermost universal quantifier $(\forall integer\ x)$ of a goal, we cannot apply induction on x to the resulting goal.

Remark (removal of sort conditions). Many of the steps in the above proof had the effect of removing sort conditions, such as integer(0) or integer(m), by resolution with an assertion. Removal of sort conditions is often a routine and monotonous part of a proof; in such cases, we shall omit the details and justify the step with the annotation "removal of sort conditions."

Sometimes it is necessary to apply more than one resolution step to remove a sort condition. For instance, to remove a sort condition integer(m+1) in a goal, we may apply the resolution rule to the successor generation axiom and the goal, obtaining the new condition integer(m). The new condition can then be removed by resolution with an assertion. In the following proof, one such step will be spelled out in detail; subsequent steps of this kind will be omitted and justified by the annotation "removal of sort conditions."

Example (left successor). Suppose we would like to show the *left-successor* property of addition, that is,

$$(\forall integer \ x, y) \ [(x+1) + y = (x+y) + 1]$$
 (left successor)

In the theory of the nonnegative integers, we begin with the goal

assertions	goals
	G1. $(\forall integer \ x, y)[(x+1) + y = (x+y) + 1]$

We have several options in applying skolemization and induction on x and y. Following the informal proof (Section 8.2), we prefer to skolemize x first and then to apply induction on y.

Abandoning the relativized-quantifier notation in $(\forall integer \ x)$, we can express goal G1 as

G1'.
$$(\forall x)^{\forall}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} if & integer(x) \\ then & (\forall & integer(y)) \\ (x+y)+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By application of the \forall -elimination rule, we may drop the outermost quantifier of goal G1', replacing the variable x with the skolem constant k, to obtain

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G2. if
$$integer(k)$$

then $(\forall integer y)[(k+1) + y = (k+y) + 1]$

Henceforth we shall abandon the relativized-quantifier notation implicitly as part of the process of eliminating a relativized quantifier, without mentioning it as a separate step.

By the *if-split* rule, goal G2 may be decomposed into

A3.
$$integer(k)$$

$$G4. \quad (\forall \ integer \ y) \big[(k+1) + y = (k+y) + 1 \big]$$

By the stepwise induction rule applied to goal G4, we obtain

Here the first conjunct corresponds to the base case and the second to the inductive step of an informal proof. We first establish the base case.

Base Case

Recall the right-zero axiom for addition,

$$if \ integer(x) \\ then \left[x + 0 \right] = x \right]^-$$

By the equality rule, applied to the axiom and goal G5, with $\{x \leftarrow k+1\}$, the goal is transformed to

G6.
$$\begin{bmatrix} integer(k+1) \end{bmatrix}^+ \\ and \\ k+1 = (k+0)+1 \\ and \\ [\ \dots \]$$

We do not write the last conjunct, the inductive step, because it plays no role in this portion of the proof.

For this step, we spell out the details of how to remove the sort condition integer(k+1). Recall the successor generation axiom

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if \ integer(x) \ then \left[ integer(x+1) \right]^-
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By the resolution rule, applied to the axiom and goal G6, with $\{x \leftarrow k\}$, we obtain

G7.
$$\begin{bmatrix} integer(k) \end{bmatrix}^+$$

$$and$$

$$k+1 = (k+0)+1$$

$$and$$

$$[\dots]$$

Recall the assertion A3

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oxed{integer(k)}^-
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By the resolution rule, applied to assertion A3 and goal G7, we drop the remaining sort condition, leaving

G8.
$$k+1 = \boxed{k+0} + 1$$

$$and$$

$$[\dots]$$

Subsequently, all such patterns of reasoning will be justified by the phrase "removal of sort conditions."

By the equality rule, applied once more to the right-zero axiom and goal G8, with $\{x \leftarrow k\}$, the goal is transformed further (removing a sort condition) to

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By the reflexivity of equality, the first conjunct of goal G9 may now be dropped altogether, leaving the goal

G10. if
$$integer(m)$$

then if $(k+1) + m = (k+m) + 1$
then $(k+1) + (m+1) = (k+(m+1)) + 1$

The remaining goal corresponds to the inductive step of an informal stepwise-induction proof.

Inductive Step

By two applications of the if-split rule, we may break down goal G10 into

A11. $integer(m)$	
A12. $\begin{bmatrix} (k+1)+m \\ = \\ (k+m)+1 \end{bmatrix}^{-}$	
	G13. $(k+1) + (m+1)$ = $k + (m+1) + 1$

Assertion A12 corresponds to the induction hypothesis and goal G13 to the desired conclusion of the inductive step. Assertion A11 corresponds to the phrase "Consider an arbitrary nonnegative integer $m \dots$ "

Recall the right-successor axiom for addition,

$$if integer(x) and integer(y)$$
 $then \left[x + (y+1) \right] = (x+y) + 1$

By the equality rule, applied twice to the axiom and goal G13, first with the most-general unifier $\{x \leftarrow k+1, y \leftarrow m\}$ and then with $\{x \leftarrow k, y \leftarrow m\}$, we may transform the goal (removing sort conditions) into

G14.
$$(k+1)+m$$
 + 1
=
 $((k+m)+1)+1$

Applying the *equality* rule to the induction hypothesis (assertion A12) and goal G14, we may transform the goal into

G15.
$$\begin{bmatrix} ((k+m)+1)+1 \\ = \\ ((k+m)+1)+1 \end{bmatrix}^+$$

Finally, by the reflexivity of equality, we obtain the final goal

The proof in the following example uses each of the previous two properties as assertions. It shows that it may be necessary to prove some properties before proving others.

Example (commutativity). Suppose we would like to show that addition is commutative, i.e., that

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[x + y = y + x]$$
 (commutativity)

It turns out to be convenient to first prove the slightly different property

$$(\forall integer \ x) [(\forall integer \ y)[x + y = y + x]]$$
 (alternative)

The two properties are equivalent but not identical because of the way the relativized quantifier is defined (Section 6.9). The *commutativity* property is an abbreviation of

$$(\forall \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} if \ integer(x) \ and \ integer(y) \end{bmatrix} \ then \ x + y = y + x \end{bmatrix}$$

The alternative property, on the other hand, is an abbreviation of

$$(\forall \ x) \begin{bmatrix} if \ integer(x) \\ then \ (\forall \ y) \begin{bmatrix} if \ integer(y) \\ then \ x + y = y + x \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

The latter will be easier to prove. Then we will be able to use it as an assertion in a simple proof of the original *commutativity* property.

Proof of the Alternative Property

To prove the alternative property, we begin with the initial goal

assertions	goals
	G1. $(\forall integer \ x)[(\forall integer \ y)[x+y=y+x]]$

e e Again, we have some freedom in applying skolemization and induction on x and y. In this proof, we prefer to skolemize x first and to apply induction on y later

By application of the \forall -elimination rule, we may drop the quantifier $(\forall x)$ of goal G1, replacing the variable x with the skolem constant ℓ , and then apply the *if-split* rule, to obtain

G3. $(\forall integer y)[\ell + y = y + \ell]$	

Applying stepwise induction on y to goal G3, we obtain

G4.
$$\ell + 0 = \boxed{0 + \ell}$$
and
$$\begin{bmatrix} if \ integer(m) \\ then \ if \ \ell + m = m + \ell \\ then \ \ell + (m + 1) = (m + 1) + \ell \end{bmatrix}$$

Base Case

In an earlier example, we proved the *left-zero* property for addition, which we may therefore include in our tableau as an assertion,

$$if \ integer(x) \\ then \ \left[\boxed{0+x} \right] = x \right]^-$$

By the equality rule, applied to the property and goal G4, with $\{x \leftarrow \ell\}$, removing a sort condition, the goal is reduced to

Recall the right-zero axiom for addition,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
if & integer(x) \\
then & x + 0 = x
\end{array}$$

By the resolution rule, applied to the axiom and goal G5, with $\{x \leftarrow \ell\}$, removing a sort condition, the first conjunct of the goal may now be dropped, leaving

G6. if
$$integer(m)$$

then if $\ell + m = m + \ell$
then $\ell + (m + 1) = (m + 1) + \ell$

We have thus disposed of the base case; it remains to complete the inductive step.

Inductive Step

By two applications of the *if-split* rule, we may break down goal G6 into the assertions

A7.
$$integer(m)$$

$$A8. \left[\ell + m = \boxed{m + \ell}\right]^{-}$$

and the goal

G9.
$$\ell + (m+1) = (m+1) + \ell$$

Assertion A8 corresponds to the induction hypothesis, and goal G9 to the desired conclusion, of the inductive step. Assertion A7 corresponds to the phrase "Consider an arbitrary nonnegative integer m..."

Recall the *left-successor* property for addition (which we proved in the preceding example),

$$if \ integer(x) \ and \ integer(y)$$

$$then \ \left[\begin{array}{c} (x+1)+y \end{array} \right] = (x+y)+1 \right]^{-}$$

By the *equality* rule, applied to the property and goal G9, with $\{x \leftarrow m, y \leftarrow \ell\}$, removing sort conditions, we may transform the goal into

G10.
$$\ell + (m+1) = \boxed{m+\ell} + 1$$

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By the equality rule (right-to-left), applied to the induction hypothesis (assertion A8) and goal G10, we may transform the goal into

G11.
$$[\ell + (m+1) = (\ell + m) + 1]^+$$

Recall the right-successor axiom for addition,

if
$$integer(x)$$
 and $integer(y)$
then $x + (y + 1) = (x + y) + 1$

By the resolution rule, applied to the axiom and goal G11, with $\{x \leftarrow \ell, y \leftarrow m\}$, removing sort conditions, we obtain the final goal

We have remarked that the preceding proof of the alternative property used both the left-zero and left-successor properties as assertions. Had we attempted to prove the alternative property without having proved the other two properties first, it would have been difficult to complete the proof.

Now that we have completed the proof of the alternative property

$$(\forall integer \ x) [(\forall integer \ y)[x+y=y+x]],$$

we may use it as an assertion in the proof of the original *commutativity* property $(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[x+y=y+x]$.

■ Proof of the Commutativity Property

We begin with a tableau in which the (unabbreviated) alternative property is given as an assertion

assertions	goals
$if \ integer(x)$ $then \ if \ integer(y)$ $then \ x + y = y + x$	

and the initial goal is the commutativity property

G1.	$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[x+y=y+x]$

By the \forall -elimination rule, we may drop the quantifiers of goal G1, and apply the *if-split* and *and-split* rules, leaving

A2. integer	(ℓ)	
A3. integer	(m)	
		G4.

Here the bound variables x and y of the goal G1 have been replaced by the skolem constants ℓ and m, respectively.

By the resolution rule, applied to the alternative property and the goal G4, with $\{x \leftarrow \ell, y \leftarrow m\}$, removing sort conditions, we obtain the final goal

This concludes the proof of the original commutativity property

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[x+y=y+x].$$

In the above sequence, we had the foresight to prove the alternative property before attempting to prove the original commutativity property. In practice, if in the course of a proof we discover we need an instance of some other property, we may interrupt the main proof and attempt to prove the required property as a subsidiary proposition, or lemma, in a separate tableau. Once we have completed the proof of the lemma, we can add it as an assertion in the tableau of the interrupted main proof, and continue the main proof.

The proofs of some properties of the multiplication, exponentiation, and factorial functions are requested in **Problems 11.1**, **11.2**, and **11.3**, respectively. The *fibonacci* function is introduced in **Problem 11.4**. A relation that distinguishes between even and odd nonnegative integers is presented in **Problem 11.5**.

A-FORM OF INDUCTION RULE

The stepwise induction rule applies to goals. There is a dual assertion version that applies to assertions.

Rule (stepwise induction, A-form)

For a closed sentence

 $(\exists integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x],$

we have

assertions	goals
$(\exists integer \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$	
$\mathcal{F}[0]$ or $\begin{bmatrix} integer(m) & and \\ (not \ \mathcal{F}[m]) & and \\ \mathcal{F}[m+1] \end{bmatrix}$	

where m is a new constant.

We seldom use this version. Roughly, it says that if $\mathcal{F}[x]$ is true for some integer x, either it is true for 0 or there is some point at which it becomes true. Its justification is requested in **Problem 11.6**.

We do not introduce a tableau form of the *complete induction* principle described in Section 8.6. Complete induction will be seen to be a special case of well-founded induction, which is discussed in the following two chapters.

11.2 TUPLES

In the same way that we introduced the *stepwise induction* rule over the nonnegative integers as a new deduction rule, we can incorporate the *stepwise induction* rules for other theories with induction, including tuples and trees. We consider first the theory of tuples. In this theory, we shall use r, s, and t, with or without subscripts, as additional constant symbols.

AXIOMS AND INDUCTION RULE

A tableau over the tuples is a tableau with equality with the generation axioms

assertions		goals
$tuple(\langle \ \rangle)$	(empty)	
$if atom(u) and tuple(x)$ $then tuple(u \diamond x)$	(insertion)	

and the uniqueness axioms

$if \ atom(u) \ and \ tuple(x)$ $then \ not \ (u \diamond x = \langle \ \rangle)$	(empty)	
$if \ atom(u) \ and \ atom(v) \ and \ tuple(x) \ and \ tuple(y)$		
then if $u \diamond x = v \diamond y$ then $u = v$ and $x = y$	(insertion)	

The axioms that define any new constructs (e.g., append of tuples) are also included as assertions. As usual, any previously proved properties may be incorporated as assertions.

Because the tableau is with equality, we also include the *reflexivity* axiom (x = x) among our assertions, and we may use the *equality* rule in conducting any proof.

In addition, we include in a tableau over the tuples a new deduction rule for stepwise induction. The *stepwise induction* rule for tuples allows us to establish a goal of form $(\forall tuple \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$ by proving the conjunction of a base case and an inductive step.

Rule (stepwise induction)

For a closed sentence

$$(\forall tuple \ x)\mathcal{F}[x],$$

we have

assertions	goals
	$(\forall \ tuple \ x) \mathcal{F}[x]$
	$\mathcal{F}[\langle\ angle]$ and $\begin{bmatrix} if & atom(a) & and & tuple(r) \ then & if & \mathcal{F}[r] \ & then & \mathcal{F}[a \diamond r] \end{bmatrix}$

where a and r are new constants.

Here the conjunct

$$\mathcal{F}[\langle \ \rangle]$$

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corresponds to the base case, and the conjunct

$$if \ atom(a) \ and \ tuple(r)$$
 then $if \ \mathcal{F}[r]$ then $\mathcal{F}[a \diamond r]$

corresponds to the inductive step of an informal induction proof. Note that, as in the theory of the nonnegative integers, we are permitted to apply the stepwise induction rule only if the goal is a closed sentence.

The justification for the rule is analogous to that for the stepwise induction rule over the nonnegative integers (**Problem 11.7(a)**). The reader is requested to formulate and justify an A-form of this rule, which applies to assertions (**Problem 11.7(b)**).

EXAMPLE

In the following example, we illustrate the proof of a property in the theory of tuples. Again, the reader can observe the close similarity between this proof and the corresponding informal proof in Section 9.3.

The example illustrates some of the strategic aspects of the use of the induction principle: the treatment of generalization in a tableau setting and the importance of the order in which skolemization and induction are applied.

Example (alternative reverse). The reverse function, which reverses the elements in a tuple, is defined by the following two axioms:

$$reverse(\langle \ \rangle) = \langle \ \rangle$$

$$(empty)$$

$$(\forall \ atom \ u) \Big[reverse(u \diamond x) = reverse(x) \diamond \langle u \rangle \Big]$$

$$(insertion)$$

The append function \diamondsuit , used in the *insertion* axiom for *reverse*, is defined by the following two axioms:

$$(\forall tuple \ y) [\langle \ \rangle \diamond y = y]$$
 (left empty)
$$(\forall atom \ u) [(u \diamond x) \diamond y = u \diamond (x \diamond y)]$$
 (left insertion)

From these axioms, let us assume that we have previously proved within the deductive-tableau system the following properties of append:

$$(\forall atom \ u) \\ (\forall tuple \ y) \Big[\langle u \rangle \diamondsuit y = u \diamondsuit y \Big]$$
 (singleton)

$$(\forall tuple \ x)[x \diamondsuit \langle \ \rangle = x]$$
 (right empty)

$$(\forall tuple \ x, \ y, \ z) [(x \diamondsuit y) \diamondsuit z \ = \ x \diamondsuit (y \diamondsuit z)]$$
 (associativity)

Therefore we are permitted to include these properties as assertions in subsequent initial tableaux.

Suppose we define a function rev2(x, y), which reverses the tuple x and appends the result with the tuple y, by the following two axioms:

$$(\forall \ tuple \ y)[rev2(\langle \ \rangle, \ y) \ = \ y]$$

$$(left \ empty)$$

$$(\forall \ atom \ u) \\ (\forall \ tuple \ x, \ y) \Big[rev2(u \diamond x, \ y) \ = \ rev2(x, \ u \diamond y)\Big]$$

$$(left \ insertion)$$

The property we would like to show in this example is that the function rev2 gives us an alternative definition of the reverse function, that is,

$$(\forall tuple \ x)[reverse(x) = rev2(x, \langle \rangle)]$$
 (special)

We must first prove the more general property

$$(\forall tuple \ x, \ y) \big[rev2(x, \ y) \ = \ reverse(x) \diamondsuit y \big] \tag{general}$$

Then we will be able to use the *general* property as an assertion in the proof of the desired *special* property.

Proof of the General Property

To prove the general property, we begin with the goal

assertions	goals
	G1. $(\forall tuple \ x, y)[rev2(x, y) = reverse(x) \diamondsuit y]$

As in the informal proof (Section 9.3) we have a choice among applying skolemization and induction on x and y. In this case we prefer to apply induction on x first, eliminating the quantifier for y later. This order is essential, as we shall explain afterwards.

By the *stepwise induction* rule applied to goal G1, it suffices to prove the conjunction of a base case and an inductive step,

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G2.
$$(\forall tuple \ y)^{\forall} [rev2(\langle \ \rangle, \ y) = reverse(\langle \ \rangle) \diamond y]$$
and
$$\begin{bmatrix} if & atom(a) & and & tuple(r) \\ then & if & (\forall tuple \ y') \begin{bmatrix} rev2(r, \ y') & = \\ reverse(r) \diamond y' \end{bmatrix} \\ then & (\forall tuple \ y'') \begin{bmatrix} rev2(a \diamond r, \ y'') & = \\ reverse(a \diamond r) \diamond y'' \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

The quantified variable y was renamed to clarify the exposition in the following steps.

By the \forall -elimination rule, we may drop the $(\forall \ tuple \ y)$ quantifier of goal G2, leaving

G3.
$$\begin{bmatrix} if \ tuple(t) \\ then \ rev2(\langle \ \rangle, \ t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} reverse(\langle \ \rangle) \end{bmatrix} \diamondsuit t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$and$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} if \ atom(a) \ and \ tuple(r) \\ then \ if \ (\forall \ tuple \ y') \begin{bmatrix} rev2(r, \ y') \ = \\ reverse(r) \diamondsuit y' \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$then \ (\forall \ tuple \ y'') \begin{bmatrix} rev2(a \diamondsuit r, \ y'') \ = \\ reverse(a \diamondsuit r) \diamondsuit y'' \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that the bound variable y of goal G2 has been replaced in goal G3 by the skolem constant t.

Base Case

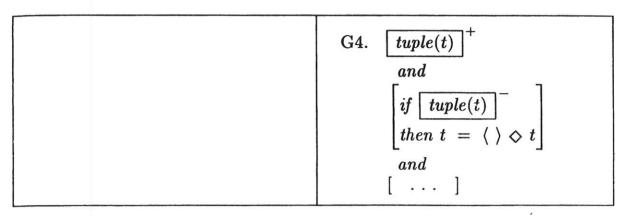
Recall the left-empty axiom for rev2 and the empty axiom for reverse,

$$if \ tuple(y)$$

$$then \ \left[\boxed{rev2(\langle \ \rangle, \ y)} \ = \ y \right]^{-}$$

$$\left[\boxed{reverse(\langle \ \rangle)} \ = \ \langle \ \rangle \right]^{-}$$

By the equality rule, applied twice in succession to the two axioms and goal G3, with $\{y \leftarrow t\}$, we obtain



We do not write the last conjunct because it plays no part in this portion of the proof.

The next step illustrates a different way to remove sort conditions, in which we apply the *resolution* rule to an earlier goal rather than an assertion, so we spell out the details here. By the *resolution* rule applied to our earlier goal G3,

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\begin{bmatrix} if \ \boxed{tuple(t)} \\ then \ rev2(\langle \ \rangle, \ t) \ = \ reverse(\langle \ \rangle) \ \diamondsuit \ t \end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix} and \\ [ \ \dots \ ] \end{bmatrix}
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and to goal G4, we may reduce the goal to

G5.
$$t = \boxed{\langle \rangle \diamondsuit t}$$

$$and$$

$$[\dots]$$

Recall the left-empty axiom for append,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} if \ tuple(y) \\ then \ \left[\boxed{\langle \ \rangle \diamondsuit y \ } \ = \ y \ \right]^- \end{array}$$

By the equality rule, applied to the axiom and goal G5, with $\{y \leftarrow t\}$, we may reduce the base case of G5 further, to

	G6. $t = t^+$
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(The sort condition tuple(t) was again removed by applying the resolution rule to the earlier goal G3.)

By the reflexivity of equality, we may now drop the first conjunct of goal G6, leaving only the last conjunct, the inductive step

G7. if
$$atom(a)$$
 and $tuple(r)$

$$then if (\forall tuple y') \begin{bmatrix} rev2(r, y') & = \\ reverse(r) \diamondsuit y' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$then (\forall tuple y'') \begin{bmatrix} rev2(a \diamondsuit r, y'') & = \\ reverse(a \diamondsuit r) \diamondsuit y'' \end{bmatrix}$$

Inductive Step

By two applications of the if-split rule, and one application of the and-split rule, we have

A8.	atom(a)	
A9.	tuple(r)	
A10.	$(orall \ tuple \ y')^{\exists} \ egin{bmatrix} rev2(r, \ y') &= \ reverse(r) \diamondsuit y' \end{bmatrix}$	

and

G11.
$$(\forall \ tuple \ y'')^{\forall} \begin{bmatrix} rev2(a \diamond r, \ y'') = \\ reverse(a \diamond r) \ \diamond y'' \end{bmatrix}$$

By the \forall - and \exists -elimination rules, we may drop the remaining quantifiers of assertion A10 and goal G11, and then apply the *if-split* rule to the goal, leaving

A12.	$if \ tuple(y')$ $then \ rev2(r, y') =$ $reverse(r) \diamondsuit y'$	
A13.	tuple(s)	
		G14.

Note that the bound variable y'' of goal G11 was replaced by the skolem constant s in goal G14. Here assertion A12 corresponds to the induction hypothesis, and goal G14 to the desired conclusion of the inductive step.

Recall the left-insertion axiom for rev2,

$$if \ atom(u) \ and \ tuple(x) \ and \ tuple(y)$$
 $then \ \begin{bmatrix} rev2(u \diamond x, \ y) \\ rev2(x, \ u \diamond y) \end{bmatrix} = \end{bmatrix}^-$

By the equality rule, applied to the axiom and goal G14, with $\{u \leftarrow a, x \leftarrow r, y \leftarrow s\}$, and removal of sort conditions, we obtain

G15.
$$rev2(r, a \diamond s) =$$

$$\boxed{reverse(a \diamond r)} \diamond s$$

Recall the insertion axiom for reverse,

$$if \ atom(u) \ and \ tuple(x) \ then \ \left[egin{array}{c} reverse(u \diamond x) \ reverse(x) \diamondsuit \langle u
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By the equality rule, applied to the axiom and goal G15, with $\{u \leftarrow a, x \leftarrow r\}$, and removal of sort conditions, we obtain

G16.
$$rev2(r, a \diamond s) = \\ (reverse(r) \diamond \langle a \rangle) \diamond s$$

Recall the associativity property of append,

if
$$tuple(x)$$
 and $tuple(y)$ and $tuple(z)$
then $\left[(x \diamondsuit y) \diamondsuit z \right] = x \diamondsuit (y \diamondsuit z) \right]^{-}$

By the equality rule, applied to the property and goal G16, with $\{x \leftarrow reverse(r), y \leftarrow \langle a \rangle, z \leftarrow s\}$, and removal of sort conditions, we obtain

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G17. $rev2(r, a \diamond s) =$
$reverse(r) \diamondsuit \boxed{\langle a \rangle \diamondsuit}$

Recall the singleton property of append,

$$if \ atom(u) \ and \ tuple(y)$$
 $then \ \left[\left\langle u \right\rangle \diamondsuit y \right] = u \diamondsuit y \right]^-$

By the equality rule, applied to the axiom and goal G17, with $\{u \leftarrow a, y \leftarrow s\}$, and removal of sort conditions, we obtain

G18.
$$\begin{bmatrix} rev2(r, a \diamond s) = \\ reverse(r) \diamond (a \diamond s) \end{bmatrix}^+$$

Recall our induction hypothesis (assertion A12),

$$if \ tuple(y') \ then egin{bmatrix} rev2(r, \ y') &= \ reverse(r) \diamondsuit y' \end{bmatrix}$$

By the resolution rule, applied to the induction hypothesis and goal G18, with $\{y' \leftarrow a \diamond s\}$, we obtain the final goal

G19.	true

Now that we have completed the proof of the general property of rev2,

$$(\forall tuple \ x, \ y) [rev2(x, \ y) = reverse(x) \diamond y],$$

we may use it as an assertion in the proof of the special property of rev2,

$$(\forall tuple \ x) [reverse(x) = rev2(x, \langle \rangle)].$$

Proof of the Special Property

We begin with the tableau in which the general property of rev2 is given as an assertion

assertions	goals
if $tuple(x)$ and $tuple(y)$	
then $\left[rev2(x, y) \right] = reverse(x) \diamondsuit y$	

and the initial goal is the special property

G1.
$$(\forall tuple \ x)^{\forall} \begin{bmatrix} reverse(x) = \\ rev2(x, \langle \rangle) \end{bmatrix}$$

By the \forall -elimination rule, we may drop the quantifier of goal G1 and apply the *if-split* rule, leaving

A2. $tuple(s)$	
	G3. $reverse(s) = \boxed{rev2(s, \langle \rangle)}$

Here the bound variable x of the goal G1 has been replaced by the skolem constant s.

By the equality rule, applied to the general property of rev2 and goal G3, with $\{x \leftarrow s, y \leftarrow \langle \rangle \}$, and removal of sort conditions, we obtain

$$G4. \quad reverse(s) = \boxed{reverse(s) \diamondsuit \langle \ \rangle}$$

Recall the right-empty property of append,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} if \ tuple(x) \\ then \ \Big[\boxed{x \diamondsuit \langle \ \rangle} \ = \ x \Big]^{-} \end{array}$$

By the equality rule, applied to the property and goal G4, with $\{x \leftarrow reverse(s)\}$, and removal of sort conditions, we obtain

G5.
$$[reverse(s) = reverse(s)]^+$$

By the reflexivity of equality, we obtain the final goal

G6. true

This concludes the proof of the desired special property

 $(\forall tuple \ x) [reverse(x) = rev2(x, \langle \ \rangle)].$

Note that, in the proof of the general property, we did not apply the \forall -elimination rule to remove the second quantifier (\forall tuple y) in goal G1 until after we had applied the induction principle. This was crucial: had we removed this quantifier too early, the proof would not have succeeded. As it turned out, the induction hypothesis, assertion A12, contained the variable y'. The variable y' was then replaced by the term $a \diamond s$ in resolution with goal G18. Had we removed the quantifier first, the induction hypothesis would have contained a skolem constant instead of the variable y', and this step would have been impossible.

In this example, we mentioned all the properties used in the proof at the beginning. Henceforth, we shall usually not mention such properties until they are used. We shall assume, nevertheless, that they are present in the initial tableau.

Remark (associativity and commutativity). In the example, we obtained goal G17 by applying the equality rule to the associativity property of append and goal G16. Henceforth we shall not include associativity properties explicitly as assertions in our tableaux; rather, we shall say that the new row has been obtained "by associativity" of the operator in question. For instance, we shall say that goal G17 has been obtained from goal G15 by application of the equality rule and "the associativity of append," without mentioning the intermediate goal G16 at all.

Similarly, when we use the *commutativity* property of an operator, we shall omit the property and say that the new row has been obtained "by commutativity" of the operator in question.

Proofs of some properties of the append function are requested in **Problem 11.8**. Another property of tuples, that the *reverse* function "distributes" over the append function \diamondsuit , is proposed in **Problem 11.9**. A property of a relation over tuples is set forth in **Problem 11.10**.

11.3 TREES

A tableau over the trees is a tableau with equality with the generation axioms

assertions		goals
$if atom(x) \\ then tree(x)$	(atom)	
if tree(x) and tree(y) then tree(x ullet y)	(construction)	

and the uniqueness axioms

$if tree(x) and tree(y) \ then not (atom(x ullet y))$	(atom)	
if $tree(x_1)$ and $tree(x_2)$ and $tree(y_1)$ and $tree(y_2)$ then if $x_1 \bullet x_2 = y_1 \bullet y_2$ then $x_1 = y_1$ and $x_2 = y_2$	(construction)	

In this theory, we shall use r, s, and t, with or without subscripts, as additional constant symbols.

Because the tableau is with equality, we also include the *reflexivity* axiom (x = x) among our assertions, and we may use the *equality* rule in conducting any proof.

In addition, we include in a tableau over the trees a new deduction rule for stepwise induction. The *stepwise induction* rule for trees allows us to establish a goal of form $(\forall tree \ x)\mathcal{F}[x]$ by proving the conjunction of a base case and an inductive step.

Rule (stepwise induction)

For a closed sentence

 $(\forall tree \ x)\mathcal{F}[x],$

we have

assertions	goals
	$(\forall \ tree \ x) \mathcal{F}[x]$
	$if \ atom(a) \ then \ \mathcal{F}[a]$ and $egin{bmatrix} if \ tree(r_1) \ and \ tree(r_2) \ then \ if \ \mathcal{F}[r_1] \ and \ \mathcal{F}[r_2] \ then \ \mathcal{F}[r_1 ullet r_2] \end{bmatrix}$

where a, r_1 , and r_2 are new constants.

Here the conjunct

if atom(a) then $\mathcal{F}[a]$

corresponds to the base case, and the conjunct

if
$$tree(r_1)$$
 and $tree(r_2)$
then if $\mathcal{F}[r_1]$ and $\mathcal{F}[r_2]$
then $\mathcal{F}[r_1 \bullet r_2]$

corresponds to the inductive step of an informal induction proof. Note that, as in the other theories, we are permitted to apply the *stepwise induction* rule only if the goal is a closed sentence.

In **Problem 11.11**, the reader is asked to conduct a proof in a combined theory of nonnegative integers, tuples, and trees.

PROBLEMS

Proofs for the problems in this chapter should use the deductive-tableau technique. You may remove sort conditions without spelling out the details.

Many of the problems request tableau proofs of properties that appear in earlier chapters. For these proofs, you may not use properties that appear after the requested property in the earlier chapter. For example, Problem 11.1(c) requests a tableau proof of the *left-successor* property of multiplication, which appears in Chapter 8. In this proof, you may use the *right-successor* axiom for multiplication, which appears before the requested property, but not the *left-distributivity* property of multiplication, which appears afterwards.

Problem 11.1 (multiplication) page 551

Prove the following properties of multiplication in the theory of the nonnegative integers:

(a) Right one

$$(\forall integer \ x)[x \cdot 1 = x]$$

Hint: Recall that 1 is a notation for (0+1).

(b) Left zero

$$(\forall integer \ x)[0 \cdot x = 0]$$

(c) Left successor

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y)[(x+1) \cdot y = x \cdot y + y]$$

(d) Right distributivity

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z)[x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z].$$

Problem 11.2 (exponentiation) page 551

Prove, in the theory of the nonnegative integers, that the function exp3 provides an alternative definition for the exponentiation function x^y , in the sense that

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y) \big[x^y \ = \ exp3(x, \ y, \ 1) \big].$$

Hint: In a separate tableau, first prove a more general property. See the informal proof in Section 8.3.

Problem 11.3 (factorial) page 551

Prove, in the theory of the nonnegative integers, that the function fact2 does indeed provide an alternative definition for the factorial function x!, in the sense that

$$(\forall integer x)[x! = fact2(x, 1)]$$

Hint: Prove a more general property.

Problem 11.4 (fibonacci function) page 551

Suppose the fibonacci function fib(x) is defined by the following axioms:

$$fib(0) = 0$$
 (zero)

$$fib(1) = 1$$
 (one)

$$(\forall integer x)[fib((x+1)+1) = fib(x+1) + fib(x)]$$
 (plus two)

The sequence of successive values fib(0), fib(1), fib(2), ..., that is, 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ... is known as the *fibonacci sequence*.

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for eftSuppose the function fib3(x, y, z) is defined by the following axioms:

$$(\forall integer \ y, \ z)[fib3(0, \ y, \ z) = y]$$
 (zero)

$$(\forall integer \ x, \ y, \ z) [fib3(x+1, \ y, \ z) = fib3(x, \ z, \ y+z)] (successor)$$

(a) Prove, in the theory of the nonnegative integers, that

$$(\forall integer x, y, z)[fib3(x+1, y, z) = y \cdot fib(x) + z \cdot fib(x+1)].$$

(b) Prove, in the theory of the nonnegative integers, that the function fib3 provides an alternative definition for the fibonacci function, in the sense that $(\forall integer \ x)[fib(x) = fib3(x, 0, 1)].$

Problem 11.5 (even) page 551

In the theory of the nonnegative integers, suppose the relation even(x) is defined by the axioms

$$even(0)$$
 (zero)

$$not \ even(1)$$
 (one)

$$(\forall integer \ x)[even((x+1)+1) \equiv even(x)]$$
 (plus two)

Prove that

$$(\forall integer \ x)[even(x) \ or \ even(x+1)].$$

Problem 11.6 (A-form) page 552

Justify the A-form of the stepwise induction rule for the nonnegative integers.

Problem 11.7 (tuples) page 554

- (a) Justify the stepwise induction rule for tuples.
- (b) Formulate and justify an A-form of the stepwise induction rule for tuples.

Problem 11.8 (append) page 562

In the theory of tuples, prove the following properties of the append function:

(a) Right empty

$$(\forall tuple x)[x \diamond \langle \rangle = x]$$

(b) Associativity

$$(\forall tuple x, y, z) [(x \diamond y) \diamond z = x \diamond (y \diamond z)].$$

problem 11.9 (reverse) page 562

In the theory of tuples, prove that the *reverse* function distributes over the append function \diamondsuit , that is,

 $(\forall \ tuple \ x, \ y) \big[reverse(x \diamondsuit y) \ = \ reverse(y) \diamondsuit \ reverse(x) \big] \ (append)$ Hint: Use the results of Problem 11.8.

Problem 11.10 (initial subtuple) page 562

In the theory of tuples, show that the initial-subtuple relation $x \leq_{init} y$ does indeed hold if and only if x is an initial subtuple of y, that is, the sentence

$$(\forall tuple \ x, \ y) \begin{bmatrix} x \leq_{init} y \\ \equiv \\ (\exists tuple \ z)[x \diamond z = y] \end{bmatrix}$$
 (append)

is valid.

Hint: Prove each direction separately.

Problem 11.11 (length of flattree) page 564

Consider a combined theory of the nonnegative integers, tuples, and trees. In this theory, suppose that the function tips(x), which counts the number of leaves in a tree x, is defined as in Problem 10.5. Prove that

$$(\forall tree x)[length(flattree(x)) = tips(x)].$$