



## 2 Natural numbers

### 2.1 Recap of rules

$$\frac{}{0 : \text{nat}} \text{nat}I_0 \quad \frac{n : \text{nat}}{S n : \text{nat}} \text{nat}I_s \quad \frac{\frac{n : \text{nat} \quad C(0) \text{ true}}{C(n) \text{ true}} \quad \frac{\frac{x : \text{nat} \quad C(x) \text{ true}}{C(Sx) \text{ true}}^u}{\text{nat}E^{x,u}}}{\text{nat}E^{x,u}}$$

Recall how the  $\text{nat}E$  rule is essentially induction.

**Task 5.** Prove

$$\forall n : \text{nat}. C(0) \supset (\forall x : \text{nat}. C(x) \supset C(Sx)) \supset C(n)$$

### 2.2 Sidenote on local reduction

In lecture, we saw a perfectly normal-looking local reduction involving the  $\text{nat}I_0$  rule. Then we followed that up with a really strange-looking local reduction involving  $\text{nat}I_s$

$$\frac{\frac{\mathcal{D}}{n' : \text{nat}} \text{nat}I_s \quad \frac{\mathcal{E}}{s n' : \text{nat}} \quad \frac{\frac{x : \text{nat} \quad C(x) \text{ true}}{C(sx) \text{ true}}^u}{\text{nat}E^{x,u}}}{C(s n') \text{ true}}}{\frac{\mathcal{D}}{n' : \text{nat}} \quad \frac{\frac{\mathcal{D}}{n' : \text{nat}} \quad \frac{\mathcal{E}}{C(0) \text{ true}} \quad \frac{\mathcal{F}}{C(sx) \text{ true}}^u}{\text{nat}E^{x,u}}}{C(n') \text{ true}}}{\frac{[n'/x]\mathcal{F}'}{C(s n') \text{ true}} \Rightarrow_R}$$

where everything looks bigger and messier and more convoluted. How is this even a reduction???

The important part is that initially, we were using  $\text{nat}E$  on some  $S n'$ , but after the reduction, we're using  $\text{nat}E$  on  $n'$ . We've "decomposed"  $S n'$  into its components (ok, single component), and it should be intuitively obvious that  $n'$  is smaller than  $S n'$ , since it contains one less constructor. Finally, since our introduction rules for natural numbers guarantee us a well-founded order for them, we know that this process terminates after a finite amount of time.

Having said that, we now observe that we can't really do a local expansion with the stuff we have now. Perfect segue into *primitive recursion*!

### 2.3 Primitive recursion

We allow primitive recursion on natural numbers by a proof term assignment, where we define a *recursor*, which we call  $R$ .

$$\frac{\frac{n : \text{nat} \quad t_0 : \tau \quad \frac{x : \text{nat} \quad r : \tau}{\vdots} t_s : \tau}{R(n, t_0, x. r. t_s) : \tau} \text{nat}E^{x,r} \quad \frac{\frac{n : \text{nat} \quad M_0 : C(0) \text{ true} \quad \frac{x : \text{nat} \quad u : C(x) \text{ true}}{\vdots} M_s : C(Sx) \text{ true}}{R(n, M_0, x. u. M_s) : C(n) \text{ true}} \text{nat}E^{x,u}}$$

Ok, lots of notation; what does it *mean*?

- $t_0$  is what we get back when  $n = 0$ , i.e. the base case
- $t_s$  is what we get back when  $n = S n'$ , i.e. the inductive/recursive case

- $x = n'$ , i.e.  $x$  is bound to the predecessor of  $n$
- $r = R(n', t_0, x. r. t_s)$ , i.e.  $r$  is bound to the result of calling the recursor on the predecessor of  $n$

Similarly, on the side with proof terms ( $M$ 's instead of  $t$ 's).

### 2.3.1 Local reduction

There are 2 cases for the local reduction with proof terms, of course.

$$\begin{aligned} R(0, M_0, x. u. M_s) &\Longrightarrow_R M_0 \\ R(S n', M_0, x. u. M_s) &\Longrightarrow_R [R(n', M_0, x. u. M_s)/u][n'/x]M_s \end{aligned}$$

### 2.3.2 Local expansion

Using the recursor as defined on the datatype, we can write a local expansion!

$$\mathcal{D} \quad n : \text{nat} \quad \Longrightarrow_E \quad \frac{\mathcal{D} \quad \frac{\frac{n : \text{nat} \quad \frac{\frac{}{0 : \text{nat}}{\text{nat}I_0} \quad \frac{x : \text{nat}}{Sx : \text{nat}}}{\text{nat}I_s}}{\text{nat}E^{x,r}}}{R(n, 0, x. r. Sx) : \text{nat}}}}{n : \text{nat}}}{\text{nat}E^{x,r}}$$

## 2.4 Adding and multiplying

**Task 6.** Define plus on natural numbers.

How do we think about addition in terms of primitive recursion? Well,

$$\begin{aligned} m + 0 &= m \\ m + S n &= S(m + n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{plus} = \lambda m : \text{nat}. \lambda n : \text{nat}. R(n, m, n'. r. S r)$$

**Task 7.** Define mult on natural numbers, using plus.

$$\begin{aligned} m \times 0 &= 0 \\ m \times (S n) &= (m \times n) + m \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{mult} = \lambda m : \text{nat}. \lambda n : \text{nat}. R(n, 0, x. r. \text{plus}(r, m))$$

**Task 8.** Define the Ackermann function!