

# inductive types

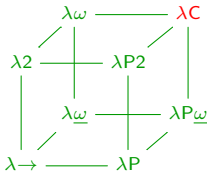
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## introduction

today

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minimal propositional logic   STT = simple type theory

minimal predicate logic    $\lambda P$  = dependent types

full Coq logic   CIC = Calculus of Inductive Constructions

$CIC = \lambda C + \text{inductive types} + \text{coinductive types} + \text{universes} + \dots$

## how are types introduced?

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- ▶ free type variables

STT = simple type theory

- ▶ in the context

PTSs = pure type systems  $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda P \lambda 2 \lambda C$

`nat : *, O : nat, S : nat  $\rightarrow$  nat  $\vdash$  S (S (S O)) : nat`

- ▶ definitions

CIC = Calculus of Inductive Constructions

```
Inductive nat : Set :=
| 0 : nat
| S : nat -> nat.
```

## definitions in Coq

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- ▶ axioms

environment used like the context in  $\lambda C$   
disadvantage: reductions will get stuck

Axiom Parameter

- ▶ definitions of constants

Definition

Lemma

Qed

- ▶ inductive definitions

Inductive

# CIC

## variants

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{CIC} &= \text{Calculus of Inductive Constructions} \\ &= \\ &\lambda\text{C} = \text{Calculus of Constructions} \\ &+ \\ &\text{MLTT} = \text{Martin-Löf type theory} \end{aligned}$$

different systems have different variants of CIC:

- ▶ Coq
- ▶ Agda
- ▶ Lean
- ▶ ...



Thierry Coquand



Per Martin-Löf

## typing rules

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### STT

3 rules

$$\Gamma \vdash M : A$$

### PTSs

7 rules

$$\Gamma \vdash M : A$$

$$M =_{\beta} N$$

### CIC

*many* rules

chapter 2.1 of the Coq manual

$$\mathcal{WF}(E)[\Gamma]$$

$$E[\Gamma] \vdash M : A$$

$$E[\Gamma] \vdash M =_{\beta\delta\iota\eta\zeta} N$$

$$E[\Gamma] \vdash M \leq_{\beta\delta\iota\eta\zeta} N$$

## examples of CIC typing rules from the Coq manual

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$$\frac{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Ind } [p] (\Gamma_I := \Gamma_C) \in E \\ (E[] \vdash q_l : P'_l)_{l=1\dots r} \\ (E[] \vdash P'_l \leq_{\beta\delta\iota\zeta\eta} P_l \{p_u/q_u\}_{u=1\dots l-1})_{l=1\dots r} \\ 1 \leq j \leq k \end{array} \right.}{E[] \vdash I_j q_1 \dots q_r : \forall [p_{r+1} : P_{r+1}; \dots; p_p : P_p], (A_j)_{/s_j}}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} E[\Gamma] \vdash c : (I q_1 \dots q_r t_1 \dots t_s) \\ E[\Gamma] \vdash P : B \\ [(I q_1 \dots q_r) | B] \\ (E[\Gamma] \vdash f_i : \{(c_{p_i} q_1 \dots q_r)\}^P)_{i=1\dots l} \end{array}}{E[\Gamma] \vdash \mathbf{case}(c, P, f_1 | \dots | f_l) : (P t_1 \dots t_s c)}$$

## context versus environment

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$$E[\Gamma] \vdash M : A$$

- ▶  $E$  is the **environment** of axioms and definitions
- ▶  $\Gamma$  is the **context** of local variables



## example of context versus environment

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Parameter  $a : \text{Prop}$ .

Definition  $I : a \rightarrow a :=$

fun  $x : a \Rightarrow x$ .

the typing judgment for the subterm  $x$ :

$$(a : *) [x : a] \vdash x : a$$

$a$  is in the environment

$x$  is in the context

after these three lines the environment is:

$$\underbrace{a : *}_{\text{axiom}}, \underbrace{I := (\lambda x : a. x) : a \rightarrow a}_{\text{definition}}$$

## STT

$$A, B ::= a \mid A \rightarrow B$$
$$M, N ::= x \mid MN \mid \lambda x : A. M$$

 $\lambda$ C

$$M, N, A, B ::= x \mid MN \mid \lambda x : A. M \mid \Pi x : A. B \mid s$$
$$s ::= * \mid \square$$

## CIC

$$M, N, A, B ::= x \mid MN \mid \lambda x : A. M \mid \Pi x : A. B \mid s \mid$$
$$\text{let } x := N : A \text{ in } M \mid$$
$$\text{fix } \dots \mid \text{match } \dots \mid \dots$$
$$s ::= \text{Set} \mid \text{Prop} \mid \text{SProp} \mid \text{Type}(i)$$

the universe levels  $i$  are explicit natural numbers

$\lambda C$

$*$  :  $\square$

CIC

$\{\text{Set}, \text{Prop}, \text{SProp}\} : \text{Type}(1) : \text{Type}(2) : \text{Type}(3) : \dots$

in  $\lambda C$  the sort  $\square$  does not have a type  
in CIC *every* term has a type

the universe  $\text{Type}(1)$  is often used like  $*$  too  
the universe levels  $i$  are generally inferred by the system

SProp is a proof irrelevant version of Prop

## subtyping

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$\text{Prop} \leq \text{Set} \leq \text{Type}(1) \leq \text{Type}(2) \leq \text{Type}(3) \leq \dots$

Check True.

Check (True : Set).

Check (True : Type).

Check nat.

Check (nat : Type).

Check (nat : Prop).

Check (Type : Type).

conversion rule:

$$\frac{E[\Gamma] \vdash M : A \quad E[\Gamma] \vdash A' : s \quad E[\Gamma] \vdash A \leq_{\beta\delta\iota\zeta\eta} A'}{E[\Gamma] \vdash M : A'}$$

## reduction

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<b>fun</b>	$\beta$	$\eta$
Definition	$\delta$	
fix match	$\iota$	
<b>let</b>	$\zeta$	

$$(\lambda x : A. M)N \rightarrow_{\beta} M[x := N]$$

$$\lambda x : A. (Fx) \rightarrow_{\eta} F$$

when  $F : (\Pi x : A. B)$

$$\text{let } x := N : A \text{ in } M \rightarrow_{\zeta} M[x := N]$$

## why let-in definitions when we have beta redexes?

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let  $A := \text{nat} : \text{Set}$  in  $(\lambda x : A. x) \text{O}$   
is well-typed

$(\lambda A : \text{Set}. ((\lambda x : A. x) \text{O})) \text{nat}$   
is not well-typed

because the subterm

$\lambda A : \text{Set}. ((\lambda x : A. x) \text{O})$   
is not well-typed

## defining constants in Coq

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```
Definition two : nat :=  
  S (S 0).  
Print two.
```

```
Definition two' : nat.  
  apply S.  
  apply S.  
  apply 0.  
Defined.  
Print two'.
```

```
Lemma eq_two : two = two'.  
  reflexivity.  
Qed.
```

delta reduction:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{two} &\rightarrow_{\delta} S (S 0) \\ \text{two}' &\rightarrow_{\delta} S (S 0) \end{aligned}$$

## the natural numbers

### defining an inductive type

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```
Inductive nat : Set :=  
| 0 : nat  
| S : nat -> nat.
```

$$\text{nat} = \{0, S\ 0, S\ (S\ 0), S\ (S\ (S\ 0)), \dots\}$$



## what is a type?

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- ▶ syntax
  - ▶ string over some alphabet
- ▶ semantics: 'something like a set'
  - ▶ function types
  - ▶ inductive types

an inductive type 'consists of'  
the terms you can make with the constructors

more precisely: the closed terms in normal form

closed = no free variables

normal form = does not reduce any further

normal forms are unique (CR = Church-Rosser)

every well-typed term has a normal form (SN = Strong Normalization)

### Bishop-style constructive mathematics ( $\approx$ Coq)

classical mathematics  
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}. (x > 0) \vee \neg(x > 0)$   
discontinuous functions

intuitionistic mathematics  
 $\neg \forall x \in \mathbb{R}. (x > 0) \vee \neg(x > 0)$   
all functions continuous

the **ur-intuition** of time (synthetic a priori):

Deze intuïtie der **twee-eenigheid**, deze oerintuïtie der wiskunde scheidt niet alleen de getallen één en twee, doch tevens alle eindige ordinaalgetallen, daar één der elementen der twee-eenigheid als een nieuwe twee-eenigheid kan worden gedacht, en dit proces een **willekeurig aantal malen kan worden herhaald**.



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## natural numbers in Coq

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```
Inductive nat : Set :=  
| 0 : nat  
| S : nat -> nat.
```

```
Check nat.
```

```
Check 0.
```

```
Check S.
```

```
Check nat_ind.
```

```
Check nat_sind.
```

```
Check nat_rec.
```

```
Check nat_rect.
```

```
Print nat.
```

```
Print 0.
```

```
Print S.
```

```
Print nat_ind.
```

```
Print nat_rect.
```

```
nat_rect =  
fun (P : nat -> Type) (f : P 0)  
  (f0 : forall n : nat,  
    P n -> P (S n)) =>  
fix F (n : nat) : P n :=  
  match n as n0 return (P n0) with  
  | 0 => f  
  | S n0 => f0 n0 (F n0)  
end  
: forall P : nat -> Type,  
  P 0 ->  
  (forall n : nat,  
    P n -> P (S n)) ->  
  forall n : nat, P n
```

```
Arguments nat_ind _%function_scope  
_ _%function_scope
```

## the constants defined by an inductive type definition

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```
Inductive nat : Set :=  
| 0 : nat  
| S : nat -> nat.
```

makes three kinds of constants available:

- ▶ the type  
primitive

`nat` : Set

- ▶ the constructors  
primitive

`0` : nat

`S` : nat → nat

- ▶ the destructors  
= eliminators = induction principles  
= recursors = recursion principles

defined using 'fix' and 'match'

## induction / recursion principles

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`nat_ind` : ...  
`nat_sind` : ...  
`nat_rec` : ...  
`nat_rect` : ...

correspond to predicates in {Prop, SProp, Set, Type}

two variants:

- ▶ **dependent principle**  
(looks more complicated, easier to understand)
- ▶ **non-dependent principle**  
(can be derived from the dependent principle)

inductive types in **Prop** with more than two constructors:

program extraction  $\longrightarrow$  **only the first two, non-dependent**

inductive types in **Set** or **Type**: **all four, dependent**

## defining addition

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```
Fixpoint add (n m : nat) : nat :=
  match n with
  | 0 => m
  | S n' => S (add n' m)
  end.
```

structural recursion: recursive call has to be on a smaller term

```
Definition add' (n m : nat) : nat.
induction n as [|n' r].
- apply m.
- apply S. apply r.
Defined.
```

```
Definition add'' (n m : nat) : nat :=
  nat_rec (fun _ => nat) m (fun n' r => S r) n.
```

## recursive definitions in Coq

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```
Fixpoint add (n m : nat)           = S (S 0)
  : nat :=                          : nat
  match n with
  | 0 => m
  | S n' => S (add n' m)
  end.
```

Print add.

```
Lemma add_1_1 :
  add (S 0) (S 0) = S (S 0).
simpl.
reflexivity.
Qed.
```

```
Eval compute in
  add (S 0) (S 0).
```

## iota reduction

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fun	$\beta$	$\eta$
Definition	$\delta$	
fix match	$\iota$	
let	$\zeta$	

constructor  
↓  
(fix  $f \dots := M$ ) ... ( $c \dots$ ) ...  
↓  
 $M[f := (\text{fix } f \dots := M)] \dots (c \dots) \dots$

match ( $c N_1 \dots N_k$ ) with ... | ( $c x_1 \dots x_k$ )  $\Rightarrow M$  | ... end

↓  
 $M[x_1 := N_1, \dots, x_k := N_k]$



## induction in Coq

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```
Lemma add_n_0 (n : nat) :      add'' is defined
  add n 0 = n.
induction n as [|n' IH].
- reflexivity.
- simpl. rewrite IH.
  reflexivity.
Qed.
```

```
Definition add' (n m : nat)
  : nat.
induction n as [|n' r].
- apply m.
- apply S. apply r.
Defined.
Print add'.
```

```
Definition add'' (n m : nat)
  : nat :=
  nat_rec (fun _ => nat) m (fun n' r => S r) n.
```

## elimination tactics

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`elim`

`destruct`

`intros + pattern`

`induction`

`inversion` ← details next week

## induction principle

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```
nat_ind
  : forall P : nat -> Prop,
    P 0 ->
    (forall n : nat, P n -> P (S n)) ->
    forall n : nat, P n
```

### structure of an induction principle:

for all parameters of the type,  
for all predicates over the type,  
if the predicate is preserved by the constructors,  
then the predicate holds on the full type

the induction tactic applies this

## recursion principle

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```
nat_rec
  : forall A : nat -> Set,
    A 0 ->
    (forall n : nat, A n -> A (S n)) ->
    forall n : nat, A n
```

$$f(0) = g$$
$$f(n + 1) = h n (f n)$$

$$f = \text{nat\_rec } A g h$$

$$g : A 0$$

$$h : \prod n : \text{nat}. A n \rightarrow A (S n)$$

$$f : \prod n : \text{nat}. A n$$

## induction = recursion

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`nat_rec`

```
: forall A : nat -> Set,  
  A 0 ->  
  (forall n : nat, A n -> A (S n)) ->  
  forall n : nat, A n
```

`nat_ind`

```
: forall P : nat -> Prop,  
  P 0 ->  
  (forall n : nat, P n -> P (S n)) ->  
  forall n : nat, P n
```

## non-dependent principle from dependent principle

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```
nat_rec_dep
  : forall A : nat -> Set,
    A 0 ->
    (forall n : nat, A n -> A (S n)) ->
    forall n : nat, A n
```

```
nat_rec_nondep
  : forall A : Set,
    A ->
    (forall n : nat, A -> A) ->
    forall n : nat, A
```

```
nat_rec_nondep
  : forall A : Set,
    A ->
    (nat -> A -> A) ->
    nat -> A
```

```
Inductive nat : Prop :=
| 0 : nat
| S : nat -> nat.
```

```
Check nat_ind.
```

## iota reduction revisited

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$$\begin{aligned}f(0) &= g \\f(n + 1) &= h\ n\ (fn)\end{aligned}$$

$$f = \text{nat\_rec } A\ g\ h$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{nat\_rec } A\ g\ h\ \mathbf{O} &\rightarrow_{\beta\delta\iota} g \\ \text{nat\_rec } A\ g\ h\ (\mathbf{S}\ n) &\rightarrow_{\beta\delta\iota} h\ n\ (\text{nat\_rec } A\ g\ h\ n)\end{aligned}$$

## examples of inductive types

### Curry-Howard

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datatypes

Set

$\mathbb{1}$

$\mathbb{0}$

$A \rightarrow B$

$A \times B$

$A + B$

$\prod x : A. B$

$\sum x : A. B$

functions

pairs

functions

pairs

logic

Prop

$\top$

$\perp$

$A \rightarrow B$

$A \wedge B$

$A \vee B$

$\forall x : A. B$

$\exists x : A. B$



## unit and empty types

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```
Inductive unit : Set :=  
| tt : unit.
```

```
Inductive True : Prop :=  
| I : True.
```

```
Inductive Empty_set : Set := .
```

```
Inductive False : Prop := .
```

## product and sum types

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```
Inductive prod (A B : Set) : Set :=  
| pair : A -> B -> prod A B.
```

```
Inductive and (A B : Prop) : Prop :=  
| conj : A -> B -> and A B.
```

```
Inductive sum (A B : Set) : Set :=  
| inl : A -> sum A B  
| inr : B -> sum A B.
```

```
Inductive or (A B : Prop) : Prop :=  
| or_introl : A -> or A B  
| or_intror : B -> or A B.
```

```
Inductive sumbool (A B : Prop) : Set :=  
| left : A -> sumbool A B  
| right : B -> sumbool A B.
```

## Sigma types and the existential quantifier

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```
Inductive prod (A B : Set) : Set :=  
| pair : A -> B -> prod A B.
```

```
Inductive sigT (A : Set) (B : A -> Set) : Set :=  
| existsT : forall x : A, B x -> sigT A B.
```

```
Inductive sig (A : Set) (B : A -> Prop) : Set :=  
| exist : forall x : A, B x -> sig A B.
```

```
Inductive ex (A : Set) (B : A -> Prop) : Prop :=  
| ex_intro : forall x : A, B x -> ex A B.
```

notation:

$A \times B$	$A * B$	<code>prod A B</code>
$A + B$	$A + B$	<code>sum A B</code>
$\Sigma_{x:A} B$	<code>{x : A &amp; B}</code>	<code>@sigT A (fun x : A =&gt; B)</code>
$\{x : A \mid B\}$	<code>{x : A   B}</code>	<code>@sig A (fun x : A =&gt; B)</code>
$\exists x : A. B$	<code>exists x : A, B</code>	<code>@ex A (fun x : A =&gt; B)</code>

## proof rules

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logical connectives as inductive types:

the proposition  $\longleftrightarrow$  the type

introduction rules  $\longleftrightarrow$  the constructors

elimination rule  $\longleftrightarrow$  the eliminator  
= the induction principle

## example: disjunction elimination

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```
Inductive or (A B : Prop) : Prop :=  
| or_introl : A -> or A B  
| or_intror : B -> or A B.
```

for all parameters of the type,  
for all predicates over the type,  
if the predicate is preserved by the constructors,  
then the predicate holds on the full type

`or_ind`

```
: forall A B  
  P : Prop,  
  (A -> P) ->  
  (B -> P) ->  
  or A B -> P
```

$$\frac{A}{A \vee B} \text{I}\vee \qquad \frac{B}{A \vee B} \text{I}\text{r}\vee$$

$$\frac{A \vee B \quad A \rightarrow P \quad B \rightarrow P}{P} \text{E}\vee$$

## propositions versus Booleans

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two very different types for truth values:

- ▶ **Prop**  
elements are types, does not support if-then-else  
predicates map to Prop
- ▶ **bool**  
elements are data, supports if-then-else  
decision procedures map to bool

Prop : Type

True : Prop

False : Prop

! : True

bool : Set

true : bool

false : bool

## datatypes: lists and vectors

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```
Inductive blist : Set :=
| bnil : blist
| bcons : bool -> blist -> blist.
```

```
Inductive list (A : Set) : Set :=
| nil : list A
| cons : A -> list A -> list A.
```

```
Inductive vec (A : Set) : nat -> Set :=
| vnil : vec A 0
| vcons : forall n : nat, A -> vec A n -> vec A (S n).
```

Arguments vcons {A} {n}.

```
Fixpoint vappend {A : Set} {n m : nat}
  (v : vec A n) (w : vec A m) : vec A (add n m) :=
  match v in vec _ n return vec A (add n m) with
  | vnil _ => w
  | vcons h t => vcons h (vappend t w)
  end.
```

## extended match

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```
match ... as y in Ix1 ... xn return A with
| ...
| (ci ...) ⇒ Mi
| ...
end
```

for all  $i$ :

$$(c_i \dots) : IN_1 \dots N_1$$
$$\Downarrow$$
$$M_i : A[x_1 := N_1, \dots, x_n := N_n, y := (c_i \dots)]$$

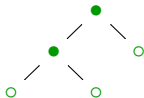


## trees

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```
Inductive bintree : Set :=  
| node : bintree -> bintree -> bintree  
| leaf : bintree.
```

```
node (node leaf leaf) leaf
```



## W-types

```
Inductive W (A : Set) (B : A -> Set) : Set :=  
| sup : forall x : A, (B x -> W A B) -> W A B.
```

nodes are labeled with elements of  $A$   
edges are labeled with elements of  $Bx$   
(with  $x$  the label of the node)

## inductive predicates

### rules

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Coq formalization of any system of rules of the form:

$$\frac{\text{hyp}_1 \quad \dots \quad \text{hyp}_n}{\text{conclusion}}$$

- ▶ logics: proof rules
- ▶ type systems: typing rules
- ▶ programming language semantics
- ▶ ...

## examples

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```
Inductive even : nat -> Prop :=  
| even_0 : even 0  
| even_SS : forall n : nat, even n -> even (S (S n)).
```

$$\frac{}{\text{even } 0} \qquad \frac{\text{even } n}{\text{even } (n + 2)}$$

```
Inductive le : nat -> nat -> Prop :=  
| le_n : forall n : nat, le n n  
| le_S : forall n m : nat, le n m -> le n (S m).
```

```
Inductive le (n : nat) : nat -> Prop :=  
| le_n : le n n  
| le_S : forall m : nat, le n m -> le n (S m).
```

$$\frac{}{n \leq n} \qquad \frac{n \leq m}{n \leq m + 1}$$

## proving that four is even

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```
Inductive even
  : nat -> Prop :=
| even_0 : even 0
| even_SS n :
  even n ->
  even (S (S n)).
```

```
Lemma even_4 :
  even (S (S (S (S 0)))).
apply even_SS.
apply even_SS.
apply even_0.
Qed.
```

**Print even\_4.**

```
even_4 = even_SS (S (S 0))
         (even_SS 0 even_0)
         : even (S (S (S (S 0))))
```

$$\frac{\text{even } 0}{\text{even } (0 + 2)} \\ \frac{\text{even } (0 + 2)}{\text{even } ((0 + 2) + 2)}$$

## proving that three is not even: inversion

---

```
Inductive even
  : nat -> Prop :=
| even_0 : even 0
| even_SS n :
  even n ->
  even (S (S n)).
```

```
Ltac my_inversion H :=
  inversion H; clear H; subst.
```

```
Lemma odd_3 :
  ~ even (S (S (S 0))).
intro H.
my_inversion H.
my_inversion H1.
Qed.
```

## exercise: figure out the induction principle of even

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### dependent induction principle of `nat`

```
nat_ind
  : forall P : nat -> Prop,
    P 0 ->
    (forall n : nat, P n -> P (S n)) ->
    forall n : nat, P n
```

### non-dependent induction principle of `even`

```
even_ind
  : forall P : nat -> Prop,
    P 0 ->
    (forall n : nat, even n -> P n -> P (S (S n))) ->
    forall n : nat, even n -> P n
```

## equality

---

```
Inductive le (n : nat) : nat -> Prop :=  
| le_n : le n n  
| le_S : forall m : nat, le n m -> le n (S m).
```

```
Inductive eq_nat (n : nat) : nat -> Prop :=  
| eq_n : eq_nat n n.
```

```
Inductive eq (A : Type) (x : A) : A -> Prop :=  
| eq_refl : eq A x x.
```

### eq\_ind

```
: forall (A : Type) (x : A)  
  (P : A -> Prop)  
  P x ->  
  forall (y : A), eq A x y -> P y
```

### Leibniz equality

$$\frac{P(x) \quad x = y}{P(y)}$$

## overview

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- ▶ CIC (it's complicated)
  - ▶ universes: Prop, Set, Type
  - ▶ reduction:  $\rightarrow_{\beta\delta\iota\zeta\eta}$
- ▶ inductive types
  - ▶ constructors
  - ▶ induction/recursion principles
- ▶ Coq
  - ▶ Inductive
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