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Aufgabe 8.1. [Tree Regular Expressions: Practice]

(10 points)

Specify tree regular expressions for the following languages:

1. Odd natural numbers, represented by $0/0$ and $Suc/1$.
2. Trees over $f/1, g/1, a/0$, that contain an odd number of f -symbols
3. Trees over $f/2, g/2, a/0$, where each path contains an odd number of f -symbols.
4. The mutually recursive datatype t , which represents unranked trees where nodes are labeled by Booleans, including the empty tree:

$$\begin{aligned} b &::= True \mid False \\ t &::= Empty \mid Node \text{ of } b * f \\ f &::= Nil \mid Cons \text{ of } t * f \end{aligned}$$

Note, the alphabet is $True/0, False/0, Empty/0, Node/2, Nil/0, Cons/2$

5. The datatype f from above.

Aufgabe 8.2. [Tree Regular Expressions: Theory]

(10 points)

1. Warmup: Describe an algorithm $contains_empty(e)$, which checks for a word-regular expression e , whether $\varepsilon \in \llbracket e \rrbracket$. No proof required.
2. Given a ranked alphabet \mathcal{F} . Describe and prove correct an algorithm $contains(c, e)$ that checks whether, for a tree-regular expression e and a constant $c \in \mathcal{F}_0$, we have $c \in \llbracket e \rrbracket$. Hint: *contains* can be defined recursively over the structure of e .