
COMP 4161
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Advanced Topics in Software Verification

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HOL

Last time...

- natural deduction rules for \wedge , \vee , \longrightarrow , \neg , iff...
- proof by assumption, by intro rule, elim rule
- safe and unsafe rules

Content

- Intro & motivation, getting started [1]

- Foundations & Principles
 - Lambda Calculus, natural deduction [1,2]
 - Higher Order Logic [3]
 - Term rewriting [4^a]

- Proof & Specification Techniques
 - Inductively defined sets, rule induction [5]
 - Datatypes, recursion, induction [6^b, 7]
 - Code generation, type classes [7]
 - Hoare logic, proofs about programs, refinement [8,9^c,10^d]
 - Isar, locales [11,12]

^a a1 due; ^b a2 due; ^c session break; ^d a3 due

QUANTIFIERS

Scope

- Scope of parameters: whole subgoal
- Scope of \forall, \exists, \dots : ends with ; or \implies

Example:

$$\wedge x y. [\forall y. P y \longrightarrow Q z y; Q x y] \implies \exists x. Q x y$$

means

$$\wedge x y. [(\forall y_1. P y_1 \longrightarrow Q z y_1); Q x y] \implies (\exists x_1. Q x_1 y)$$

Natural deduction for quantifiers

$$\frac{\bigwedge x. P x}{\forall x. P x} \text{ allI} \qquad \frac{\forall x. P x \quad P ?x \implies R}{R} \text{ allE}$$

$$\frac{P ?x}{\exists x. P x} \text{ exI} \qquad \frac{\exists x. P x \quad \bigwedge x. P x \implies R}{R} \text{ exE}$$

- **allI** and **exE** introduce new parameters ($\bigwedge x$).
- **allE** and **exI** introduce new unknowns ($?x$).

Instantiating Rules

apply (rule_tac x = "*term*" in *rule*)

Like **rule**, but $?x$ in *rule* is instantiated by *term* before application.

Similar: **erule_tac**

! x is in *rule*, not in goal !

Two Successful Proofs

$$1. \forall x. \exists y. x = y$$

apply (rule allI)

$$1. \bigwedge x. \exists y. x = y$$

best practice

apply (rule_tac x = "x" in exI)

$$1. \bigwedge x. x = x$$

apply (rule refl)

simpler & clearer

exploration

apply (rule exI)

$$1. \bigwedge x. x = ?y x$$

apply (rule refl)

$$?y \mapsto \lambda u. u$$

shorter & trickier

Two Unsuccessful Proofs

$$1. \exists y. \forall x. x = y$$

apply (rule_tac x = ??? in exI)

apply (rule exI)

$$1. \forall x. x = ?y$$

apply (rule allI)

$$1. \bigwedge x. x = ?y$$

apply (rule refl)

$$?y \mapsto x \text{ yields } \bigwedge x'. x' = x$$

Principle:

$?f\ x_1 \dots x_n$ **can only be replaced by term** t

if $params(t) \subseteq x_1, \dots, x_n$

Safe and Unsafe Rules

Safe all, exE

Unsafe allE, exI

Create parameters first, unknowns later

DEMO: QUANTIFIER PROOFS

Parameter names

Parameter names are chosen by Isabelle

1. $\forall x. \exists y. x = y$

apply (rule all)

1. $\wedge x. \exists y. x = y$

apply (rule_tac x = "x" in exI)

Brittle!

Renaming parameters

1. $\forall x. \exists y. x = y$

apply (rule all)

1. $\bigwedge x. \exists y. x = y$

apply (rename_tac N)

1. $\bigwedge N. \exists y. N = y$

apply (rule_tac x = "N" in exI)

In general:

(rename_tac $x_1 \dots x_n$) renames the rightmost (inner) n parameters to

$x_1 \dots x_n$

Forward Proof: frule and drule

apply (frule $\langle rule \rangle$)

Rule: $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_m \rrbracket \implies A$

Subgoal: 1. $\llbracket B_1; \dots; B_n \rrbracket \implies C$

Substitution: $\sigma(B_i) \equiv \sigma(A_1)$

New subgoals: 1. $\sigma(\llbracket B_1; \dots; B_n \rrbracket \implies A_2)$
 \vdots
 m-1. $\sigma(\llbracket B_1; \dots; B_n \rrbracket \implies A_m)$
 m. $\sigma(\llbracket B_1; \dots; B_n; A \rrbracket \implies C)$

Like **frule** but also deletes B_i : **apply** (drule $\langle rule \rangle$)

Examples for Forward Rules

$$\frac{P \wedge Q}{P} \text{ conjunct1} \quad \frac{P \wedge Q}{Q} \text{ conjunct2}$$

$$\frac{P \longrightarrow Q \quad P}{Q} \text{ mp}$$

$$\frac{\forall x. P x}{P ?x} \text{ spec}$$

Forward Proof: OF

$$r \text{ [OF } r_1 \dots r_n]$$

Prove assumption 1 of theorem r with theorem r_1 , and assumption 2 with theorem r_2 , and ...

$$\text{Rule } r \quad \llbracket A_1; \dots; A_m \rrbracket \implies A$$

$$\text{Rule } r_1 \quad \llbracket B_1; \dots; B_n \rrbracket \implies B$$

$$\text{Substitution} \quad \sigma(B) \equiv \sigma(A_1)$$

$$r \text{ [OF } r_1] \quad \sigma(\llbracket B_1; \dots; B_n; A_2; \dots; A_m \rrbracket \implies A)$$

Forward proofs: THEN



r_1 [THEN r_2] means r_2 [OF r_1]

DEMO: FORWARD PROOFS

Hilbert's Epsilon Operator



(David Hilbert, 1862-1943)

$\varepsilon x. Px$ is a value that satisfies P (if such a value exists)

ε also known as **description operator**.

In Isabelle the ε -operator is written $\text{SOME } x. P x$

$$\frac{P ?x}{P (\text{SOME } x. P x)} \text{ someI}$$

More Epsilon

ε implies Axiom of Choice:

$$\forall x. \exists y. Q x y \implies \exists f. \forall x. Q x (f x)$$

Existential and universal quantification can be defined with ε .

Isabelle also knows the definite description operator **THE** (aka ι):

$$\frac{}{(\text{THE } x. x = a) = a} \text{the_eq_trivial}$$

Some Automation

More Proof Methods:

- apply** (intro <intro-rules>) repeatedly applies intro rules
- apply** (elim <elim-rules>) repeatedly applies elim rules
- apply** clarify applies all safe rules that do not split the goal
- apply** safe applies all safe rules
- apply** blast an automatic tableaux prover (works well on predicate logic)
- apply** fast another automatic search tactic

EPSILON AND AUTOMATION DEMO

We have learned so far...

- Proof rules for predicate calculus
- Safe and unsafe rules
- Forward Proof
- The Epsilon Operator
- Some automation

Assignment



Assignment 1 is out today!

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