

Artificial Intelligence in Theorem Proving

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Last Lecture

- How do we characterize the prover / proof state?
- Syntactic and semantic features
- Unification-based features
- ML-evaluation

Today

- How does learning work in different prover foundations?
- First-order ATPs foundations

Different Prover Foundations

FOL, HOL, ...

Set Theory

- sets and membership
- semantic information
- “collections of things”
- membership is undecidable
- extensional; talk about things that exist

Type Theory

- typing judgement
- syntactic information
- what objects can be constructed
- intentional
- type checking (and sometimes inference) is decidable

Typed λ -calculus as a foundation

Basis for a Proof Assistant

- Terms: Programs and Proofs
- Types: Specifications and Formulas

Brings together

- Programming
- Proving

Extensions

- Dependent Types
- Dependent Propositions
- Dependency on Proofs
- Reflection ...

Typed set theory (Mizar)

- x comes from a certain domain
 - We should have a unique type for any object
- Proper Frankel operator:

$$\{x : D | P(x)\} \text{ or } \{x \in D | P(x)\}$$

Definition [membership]

$$P(y) \iff y \in \{x : D | P(x)\}$$

Notation

$$\{x : A | P(x)\} \text{ means } \{x : D | x \in A \wedge P(x)\}$$

Features, Labels and Training examples

In FOL / HOL (also set theory)

- Proved theorems \rightarrow Training examples
- Dependencies (including theorems) \rightarrow Labels
- Characteristics of conjectures (eg: constants) \rightarrow Features

Type Theory: Types, Terms, Thms merged

- Each defined constant consists of a term and a type
- Features are the constants present in the type
- Dependencies are the constants present in the term

Approaches

- Do we need to?
- Only `Prop` is insufficient
- Heuristic

How does an ATP work

Proof by contradiction

- Assume that the conjecture does not hold
- Derive that axioms and negated conjecture imply \perp

Saturation

- Convert problem to CNF (conjunctive normal form)
- Enumerate the consequences of the available clauses
- Goal: get to the empty clause

Redundancies

Simplify or eliminate some clauses (contract)

We will next focus on the foundations needed to transform the problem to CNF

Quantifier Equivalences

Theorem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \neg \forall x \phi & \dashv\vdash \exists x \neg \phi & \neg \exists x \phi & \dashv\vdash \forall x \neg \phi \\ \forall x \phi \wedge \forall x \psi & \dashv\vdash \forall x (\phi \wedge \psi) & \exists x \phi \vee \exists x \psi & \dashv\vdash \exists x (\phi \vee \psi) \\ \forall x \forall y \phi & \dashv\vdash \forall y \forall x \phi & \exists x \exists y \phi & \dashv\vdash \exists y \exists x \phi \end{array}$$

if x is not free in ψ then

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2 repeatedly replace

by $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_{i-1} \exists x_i Q_{i+1}x_{i+1} \dots Q_nx_n \psi$

$$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_{i-1} Q_{i+1}x_{i+1} \dots Q_nx_n \psi[f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})/x_i]$$

where f is new function symbol of arity $i - 1$

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ATP summary

This already allows building a reasonable saturation-based ATP for first-order logic
Next time we will see how to make it more efficient and how to add learning to it

Summary

This Lecture

- learning in different prover foundations
- transformation to CNF
- resolution

Next

- Equality handling in automated proof
- Machine learning in E-Prover
- Machine learning for tableaux