



Interactive Theorem Proving

Lecture & Exercises Week 6

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Summary

Previous Lecture

- Lambda calculus
- Type checking and inference

Today

- Beta reduction and cut elimination

Presentation Topic Assignment

- (!) Dedukti and Lambda-calculus modulo
- (!) Programming with dependent types: (Epigram / Agda2 / Idris)
- ACL2 (and Nqthm)
- Lean and its type theory
- HOL Zero and checking formal proofs
- Metamath
- SMTCoq and decision procedures
- Interaction between proof assistants (Flyspeck...,)
- Project Cristal and verified compiler
- seL4 operating system
- your idea: Formalization / System / Extension ...

Different Foundations

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

Basis for a Proof Assistant

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

Brings together

- Programming
- Proving

Simple Type Theory (STT) or λ_{\rightarrow}

Types

- Atomic types
- Function types

$\alpha \ \beta \ \gamma \ \dots$
 $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$

For example: $(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \beta$

Terms

- Variables with explicit types: $x_1^\sigma, x_2^\sigma, \dots$
 - Countably many for each σ
- Applications: if $M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau$ and $N : \sigma$ then $(MN) : \tau$
- Abstractions: if $P : \tau$ then $(\lambda x^\sigma. P) : \sigma \rightarrow \tau$

Examples

$\lambda x^\sigma. \lambda y^\tau. x : \sigma \rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \sigma$

Conventions

Parentheses

- Types associate to the right
- Applications associate to the left

α -convertibility

$$\lambda x^\sigma \dots x \dots x \dots \approx_\alpha \lambda y^\sigma \dots y \dots y \dots$$

Capture avoiding substitution

$$M[x := N]$$

β -reduction

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$$(\alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha$$

- No! Not every type is inhabited.

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Connection between STT à la Church and à la Curry

Erasure map: $|\cdot|$

$$|x^\alpha| = x$$

$$|MN| = |M||N|$$

$$|\lambda x^\alpha.M| = \lambda x.|M|$$

Theorem

If $M : \sigma$ in STT à la Church, then $|M| : \sigma$ in STT à la Curry

Theorem

If $N : \sigma$ in STT à la Curry, then $\exists M. |M| = N \wedge M : \sigma$ in STT à la Church

Inductive definition of terms

Rule form

$$\frac{\cdot}{x^\sigma : \sigma}$$

$$\frac{M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau \quad N : \sigma}{MN : \tau}$$

$$\frac{P : \tau}{\lambda x^\sigma. P : \sigma \rightarrow \tau}$$

With a context

- Declare the free variables

$$x_1 : \sigma_1 \dots, x_n : \sigma_n \vdash t : \tau$$

- Usually denoted Γ
- Derivation tree

The three typing rules with a context

Γ treated as a set: not possible for a variable to appear twice

variable rule

$$\frac{x : \sigma \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \sigma}$$

abstraction rule

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \sigma \vdash P : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash (\lambda x : \sigma. P) : (\sigma \rightarrow \tau)}$$

application rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash N : \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash MN : \tau}$$

Provability

Provability in λ_{\rightarrow}

$$\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda_{\rightarrow}} M : \sigma$$

iff there exists a derivation using the rules with the conclusion $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$

Formulas as Types (Curry-Howard isomorphism)

A typing judgement $M : \sigma$ can be read in two ways:

M is a function with the type σ

- term is an algorithm (program)
- type is its specification

M is a proof of the proposition σ

- type is a proposition
- term is its proof

One to one correspondence between

- Terms in λ_{\rightarrow} (typable)
- Derivations in minimal propositional logic

Example derivations in λ_{\rightarrow}

Blackboard

- K and S combinators

Minimal Proposition Logic

Subset of Intuitionistic Propositional Logic

Only one connective: \rightarrow

Definition *cut*

$$\frac{\frac{[\sigma^1]}{\mathbb{D}_1} \tau}{\sigma \rightarrow \tau} \mathbf{1} \quad \mathbb{D}_2 \quad \sigma}{\tau}$$

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Cut Elimination vs λ_{\rightarrow}

Lemma

Cut-elimination in minimal proposition logic corresponds to β -reduction in λ_{\rightarrow} .

if $\mathbb{D}_1 \longrightarrow_{cut} \mathbb{D}_2$ then $\mathbb{D}_1 \longrightarrow_{\beta} \mathbb{D}_2$

Gentzen style natural deduction

assumption

$$\frac{\vdots}{A} \rightarrow [A]^H$$

conjunction introduction

$$\frac{\vdots}{A \wedge B} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{A} \quad \frac{\vdots}{B}}{A \wedge B} \wedge i$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

conjunction elimination left

$$\frac{\vdots}{A} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{A \wedge B}}{A} \wedge e_1$$

conjunction elimination right

$$\frac{\vdots}{B} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{A \wedge B}}{B} \wedge e_2$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

disjunction introduction left

$$\frac{\vdots}{A \vee B} \rightarrow \frac{\vdots}{\overline{A}} \vee_{i_1} \frac{\vdots}{A \vee B}$$

disjunction introduction right

$$\frac{\vdots}{A \vee B} \rightarrow \frac{\vdots}{\overline{B}} \vee_{i_2} \frac{\vdots}{A \vee B}$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

disjunction elimination

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \hline C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \hline A \vee B \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [A]^{H1} \\ \vdots \\ \hline C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [B]^{H2} \\ \vdots \\ \hline C \end{array}}{C} \text{Ve } [H1, H2]$$

implication introduction

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \hline A \rightarrow B \end{array}}{\begin{array}{c} [A]^H \\ \vdots \\ \hline B \end{array}} \rightarrow i [H]$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

implication elimination

$$\frac{\vdots}{B} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{A \rightarrow B} \quad \frac{\vdots}{A}}{B} \rightarrow e$$

negation introduction

$$\frac{\vdots}{\neg A} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\perp} [A]^H}{\neg A} \neg i [H]$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

negation elimination

$$\frac{\vdots}{\perp} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\neg A} \quad \frac{\vdots}{A}}{\perp} \neg e$$

bottom elimination

$$\frac{\vdots}{A} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\perp}}{A} \perp e$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

universal introduction

$$\frac{\vdots}{\forall x A} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{A[y/x]} \forall i}{\forall x A} \forall i$$

universal elimination

$$\frac{\vdots}{A[t/x]} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\forall x A}}{A[t/x]} \forall e$$

Gentzen style natural deduction

existential introduction

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \hline \end{array}}{\exists x A} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ A[t/x] \\ \hline \end{array}}{\exists x A} \exists i$$

existential elimination

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \hline \end{array}}{B} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \hline \end{array} \frac{\begin{array}{c} [A[y/x]]^H \\ \vdots \\ \hline \end{array} B}{\exists x A} \quad \frac{\exists x A \quad B}{B} \exists e [H]}$$

Corresponding Box-style Proof

1	$\exists x(P(x) \vee \neg Q(a))$	assumption
2	$Q(a)$	assumption
3	$b \quad P(b) \vee \neg Q(a)$	assumption
4	$P(b)$	assumption
5	$\exists x P(x)$	$\exists i$ 4
6	$\neg Q(a)$	assumption
7	\perp	$\neg e$ 6,2
8	$\exists x P(x)$	$\perp e$ 7
9	$\exists x P(x)$	$\vee e$ 3,4—5,6—8
10	$\exists x P(x)$	$\exists e$ 1,3—9
11	$Q(a) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$	$\rightarrow i$ 2—10
12	$\exists x(P(x) \vee \neg Q(a)) \rightarrow Q(a) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$	$\rightarrow i$ 1—11

Properties of λ_{\rightarrow}

- Uniqueness of Types

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$ and $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$, then $\sigma = \tau$.

- Subject Reduction

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$ and $M \rightarrow_{\beta\eta} N$, then $\Gamma \vdash N : \sigma$.

- Substitution Property

If $\Gamma, x : \tau, \Delta \vdash M : \sigma, \Gamma \vdash P : \tau$, then $\Gamma, \Delta \vdash M[x := P] : \sigma$.

- Thinning

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$ and $\Gamma \subset \Delta$, then $\Delta \vdash M : \sigma$.

- Strengthening

If $\Gamma, x : \tau \vdash M : \sigma$ and $x \notin FV(M)$, then $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$.

- Strong Normalization

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$, then all $\beta\eta$ -reductions from M terminate.

Consequences

- Subterm property
- Condensing: $\Gamma|_{FV(M)}$
- Permutation
- No self application
- β -normal forms
- Some terms do not have fixed points

Intuitionistic Logic

Drawbacks of classical logic

- There are $x \notin \mathbb{Q}$ and $y \notin \mathbb{Q}$ st. $x^y \in \mathbb{Q}$.
 - Proof: by cases $\sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}} \in \mathbb{Q}$
- There are seven 7s in a row in the decimal representation of π .

Brouwer, beginning of 20th century

Intuitionistic logic developed later around 1930

- $A \rightarrow \neg\neg A$ has an intuitionistic interpretation
- but $\neg\neg A \rightarrow A$ does not

Easier correspondence to λ -calculi

Constructive proofs have computational content

Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov interpretation

Proof of $A \rightarrow B$

Function that maps proofs of A to proofs B

Proof of $A \wedge B$

Pair of proofs of A and B

Proof of $A \vee B$

Either a proof of A or a proof of B

Proof of $\forall x.P(x)$

Function that maps an object x to a proof of $P(x)$

Proof of \perp

Does not exist. Negation of A turns a proof of A into a nonexistent object

Exercises

- A more natural way of working with proofs, is to start with a goal and simplify it in order to prove it.
- Propose a mechanism that works with the HOL inference rules, that allows working backwards
- How would you add a type inhabitation procedure to your minimal type checker / reducer? (No implementation)