

CS477 Formal Software Dev Methods

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Getting Started with Isabelle

- Possibilities:
 - Use Isabelle on EWS
 - Install on your machine
- On EWS:
 - Assuming you are running an X client, log in to EWS:
`ssh -Y <netid>@remlnx.ews.illinois.edu`
 - -Y used to forward X packets securely
 - To start Isabelle with jedit
`module load Isabelle/2019`
`isabelle jedit`
 - Older versions of Isabelle used emacs and ProofGeneral
 - Will assume jedit here
 - First time you use it, it will rebuild all its core theories (takes minutes)

Demo: my_theory

System Architecture

Isabelle/jEdit	jEdit based interface
Isar	Isabelle proof scripting language
Isabelle/HOL	Isabelle instance for HOL
Isabelle	generic theorem prover
Standard ML	implementation language

My First Theory File

```
File name: my_theory.thy
Contents:
theory my_theory
  imports Main
begin

thm impI

lemma trivial: "A  $\longrightarrow$  A"
  apply (rule impI)
  apply assumption
  done (* end of lemma *)

thm trivial

end (* of theory file *)
```

Overview of Isabelle/HOL

- HOL = Higher-Order Logic
- HOL = Types + Lambda Calculus + Logic
- HOL has
 - datatypes
 - recursive functions
 - logical operators (\wedge , \vee , \neg , \longrightarrow , \forall , \exists , ...)
- Contains propositional logic, first-order logic
- HOL is very similar to a functional programming language
- Higher-order = functions are values, too!
- Booleans are values, too! And predicates are functions.
- We'll start with propositional and first order logic

Formulae (first Approximation)

- **Syntax** (in decreasing priority):

$form ::= (form)$		$term = term$
$\neg form$		$form \wedge form$
$form \vee form$		$form \longrightarrow form$
$\forall x. form$		$\exists x. form$

and some others

- **Scope** of quantifiers: as far to the right as possible

Examples

- $\neg A \wedge B \vee C \equiv ((\neg A) \wedge B) \vee C$
- $A \wedge B = C \equiv A \wedge (B = C)$
- $\forall x. P \times \wedge Q \times \equiv \forall x. (P \times \wedge Q \times)$
- $\forall x. \exists y. P \times y \wedge Q \times \equiv \forall x. (\exists y. (P \times y \wedge Q \times))$

Proofs

General schema:

```
lemma name: "..."  
apply (...)  
:  
done
```

First ... theorem statement
(...) are *proof methods*

Top-down Proofs

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- “completes” any proof (by giving up, and accepting it)
- Suitable for top-down development of theories:
- Assume lemmas first, prove them later.

Only allowed for interactive proof!

Isabelle Syntax

- Distinct from HOL syntax
- Contains HOL syntax within it
- Also the same as (large subset of) HOL - need to not confuse them

Theory = Module

Syntax:

```
theory MyTh  
imports ImpTh1 ... ImpThn  
begin  
  declarations, definitions, theorems, proofs, ...  
end
```

- *MyTh*: name of theory being built. Must live in file *MyTh.thy*.
- *ImpTh_i*: name of *imported* theories. Importing is transitive.

Meta-logic: Basic Constructs

Implication: \Rightarrow (\Rightarrow)

For separating premises and conclusion of theorems / rules

Equality: \equiv (\equiv)

For definitions

Universal Quantifier: \forall (!)

Usually inserted and removed by Isabelle automatically

Do not use *inside* HOL formulae

Rule/Goal Notation

- $[A_1; \dots; A_n] \Rightarrow B$ abbreviates $A_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow A_n \Rightarrow B$
- Means the rule (or potential rule):

$$\frac{A_1; \dots; A_n}{B}$$

- $;$ \approx "and"
- Note:** A theorem is a rule; a rule is a theorem.
- Turn on use of

$$[A_1; \dots; A_n]$$

by

Plugins \rightarrow Plugin Options... \rightarrow Isabelle \rightarrow General \rightarrow

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The Proof/Goal State

1. $\forall x_1 \dots x_m. [A_1; \dots; A_n] \Rightarrow B$

$x_1 \dots x_m$ Local constants (fixed variables)

$A_1 \dots A_n$ Local subgoals / assumptions

B Actual goal / conclusion

Proof Basics

- Isabelle uses *Natural Deduction* proofs
 - Uses (modified) *sequent* encoding
- Rule notation:

Rule

$$\frac{A_1 \dots A_n}{A}$$

Sequent Encoding

$$[A_1, \dots, A_n] \Rightarrow A$$

B

\vdots

$$\frac{A_1 \dots \frac{A_i}{A_i} \dots A_n}{A}$$

$$[A_1, \dots, B \Rightarrow A_i, \dots, A_n] \Rightarrow A$$

Natural Deduction

For each logical operator \oplus , have two kinds of rules:

Introduction: How can I prove $A \oplus B$?

$$\frac{?}{A \oplus B}$$

Elimination: What can I prove using $A \oplus B$?

$$\frac{\dots A \oplus B \dots}{?}$$

Operational Reading

$$\frac{A_1 \dots A_n}{A}$$

Introduction rule:

To prove A it suffices to prove $A_1 \dots A_n$.

Elimination rule:

If we know A_1 and we want to prove A
it suffices to prove $A_2 \dots A_n$

Natural Deduction for Propositional Logic

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \text{conjI} \qquad \frac{A \wedge B \quad [A; B] \Rightarrow C}{C} \text{conjE}$$

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \vee B} \text{disjI1/2} \qquad \frac{A \vee B \quad A \Rightarrow C \quad B \Rightarrow C}{C} \text{disjE}$$

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow B}{A \rightarrow B} \text{impI} \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A \quad B \Rightarrow C}{C} \text{impE}$$

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow \text{False}}{\neg A} \text{notI} \qquad \frac{\neg A \quad A}{B} \text{notE}$$

Natural Deduction for Propositional Logic

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow B \quad B \Rightarrow A}{A = B} \text{iffI}$$

$$\frac{A = B \quad A}{B} \text{iffD1} \qquad \frac{A = B \quad B}{A} \text{iffD2}$$

More Rules

$$\frac{A \wedge B}{A} \text{conjunct1} \qquad \frac{A \wedge B}{B} \text{conjunct2}$$

$$\frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B} \text{mp}$$

Compare to elimination rules:

$$\frac{A \wedge B \quad [A; B] \Rightarrow C}{C} \text{conjE} \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A \quad B \Rightarrow C}{C} \text{impE}$$

"Classical" Rules

$$\frac{\neg A \Rightarrow \text{False}}{A} \text{ccontr} \qquad \frac{\neg A \Rightarrow A}{A} \text{classical}$$

- `ccontr` and `classical` are not derivable from the Natural Deduction rules.
- They make the logic "classical", i.e. "non-constructive or non-intuitionistic".

Proof by Assumption

$$\frac{A_1 \dots A_i \dots A_n}{A_i}$$

- Proof method: `assumption`

- Use:

`apply assumption`

- Proves:

$$[A_1; \dots; A_n] \Rightarrow A$$

by unifying `A` with one of the `Ai`

Rule Application: The Rough Idea

- Applying rule $[A_1; \dots; A_n] \Rightarrow A$ to subgoal `C`:
 - Unify `A` and `C`
 - Replace `C` with `n` new subgoals: `A'1 ... A'n`
- Backwards reduction, like in Prolog

- Example:

Rule: $[?P; ?Q] \Rightarrow ?P \wedge ?Q$

Subgoal: 1. `A ∧ B`

- Resulting Subgoals :

1. `A`
2. `B`

Rule Application: More Complete Idea

Applying rule $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \Rightarrow A$ to subgoal C :

- Unify A and C with (meta)-substitution σ
- Specialize goal to $\sigma(C)$
- Replace C with n new subgoals: $\sigma(A_1) \dots \sigma(A_n)$

Note: schematic variables in C treated as existential variables

Does there exist value for $?X$ in C that makes C true?

(Still not the whole story)

rule Application

Rule: $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \Rightarrow A$

Subgoal: 1. $\llbracket B_1; \dots; B_m \rrbracket \Rightarrow C$

Substitution: $\sigma(A) \equiv \sigma(C)$

New subgoals: 1. $\llbracket \sigma(B_1); \dots; \sigma(B_m) \rrbracket \Rightarrow \sigma(A_1)$

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n . $\llbracket \sigma(B_1); \dots; \sigma(B_m) \rrbracket \Rightarrow \sigma(A_n)$

Proves: $\llbracket \sigma(B_1); \dots; \sigma(B_m) \rrbracket \Rightarrow \sigma(C)$

Command: `apply (rule <ruleName>)`

Applying Elimination Rules

`apply (erule <elim-rule>)`

Like `rule` but also

- Unifies first premise of rule with an assumption
- Eliminates that assumption instead of conclusion

Example

Rule: $\llbracket ?P \wedge ?Q; \llbracket ?P; ?Q \rrbracket \Rightarrow ?R \rrbracket \Rightarrow ?R$

Subgoal: 1. $\llbracket X; A \wedge B; Y \rrbracket \Rightarrow Z$

Unification: $?P \wedge ?Q \equiv A \wedge B$ and $?R \equiv Z$
 $\{?P \mapsto A; ?Q \mapsto B; ?R \mapsto Z\}$

New subgoal: 1. $\llbracket X; Y \rrbracket \Rightarrow \llbracket A; B \rrbracket \Rightarrow Z$

Same as: 1. $\llbracket X; Y; A; B \rrbracket \Rightarrow Z$

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