

Proof assistants

TD 1- From the Calculus of Constructions to the Calculus of Inductive Constructions

1 Basic inductive definitions

1.1 Booleans

We define

```
Inductive bool : Type := true : bool | false : bool.
```

1- Define boolean negation *negb* and boolean conjunction *andb* in CCI (on paper or with Coq).

2- Detail the normalisation steps of expressions $\lambda x : \text{bool}. \text{negb } (\text{andb } \text{false } x)$ et $\lambda x : \text{bool}. \text{negb } (\text{andb } x \text{ false})$ (in Coq, one can use the command `Eval`). What is remarkable ?

1.2 Disjonction

We define, in Coq, the following type scheme:

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Inductive sum (A B:Type) : Type :=
| inl : A -> sum A B
| inr : B -> sum A B.
```

1- Give an equivalent definition using Objective Caml. How the case analysis operator (elimination) for `sum` can be written in Objective Caml ?

2- Give an equivalent expression in system F_ω , as follows

- a type $\text{sum}' : \text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{Prop}$,
- two functions $\text{inl}' : \forall A B : \text{Prop}, A \rightarrow \text{sum}' A B$ and $\text{inr}' : \forall A B : \text{Prop}, B \rightarrow \text{sum}' A B$,
- a (non dependent) case analysis function $\text{case}_{\text{sum}'} : \forall A B P : \text{Prop}, (A \rightarrow P) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow P) \rightarrow \text{sum } A B \rightarrow P$.

3- Define in the Calculus of Inductive Constructions a function with type $\forall A, B : \text{Type}. \text{sum } A B \rightarrow \text{bool}$ which returns which component of the sum is fulfilled.

4- With the command `Extraction ident` from Coq to Objective Caml, check the correspondance between Coq definitions and the corresponding definitions in Objective Caml.

1.3 Conjunction

Give an inductive definition in `Prop` for conjunction \wedge . Give a proof term for the property $\forall A, B : \text{Prop}. A \wedge B \rightarrow B \wedge A$ where \wedge is your conjunction.

2 Expressivity : Church's numbers

A Church number is a natural number represented by a functional term of the form

$$\lambda x.\lambda f.f(\dots(f(x))\dots).$$

We use the calculus of constructions (sorts are called **Prop** and **Type** and the product is written \forall). If A is a type, we define equality on A with

$$(x =_A y) \triangleq \forall P : (A \rightarrow \text{Prop}), P(x) \rightarrow P(y)$$

and negation $\neg A$ of A with

$$\neg A \triangleq A \rightarrow \forall C. C.$$

A- Definition of Church's numbers at the **Prop** level in the Calculus of Constructions

In the following s represents the sort **Prop**.

1. Give a closed expression N of type s for the type of Church numbers. Write terms for 0 and the operation « successor » (written S) ?
2. How to define addition and multiplication on N ?
3. Can we define the predecessor function on N ?
4. We define $IND(n) \triangleq \forall P : N \rightarrow \text{Prop}. P(0) \rightarrow (\forall m : N. P(m) \rightarrow P(S(m))) \rightarrow P(n)$. Can we derive the induction principle $\forall n : N. IND(n)$?
5. Can we express (in **Prop**) the property $\forall n, m : N, S(n) = S(m) \rightarrow n = m$? If yes can we prove it ? If not, can we prove $\forall n, m : N, IND(n) \rightarrow IND(m) \rightarrow S(n) = S(m) \rightarrow n = m$?
6. Can we express (in **Prop**) the property $\forall n : N, S(n) \neq 0$? If yes can we prove it ? If not, can we prove $\forall n : N, IND(n) \rightarrow S(n) \neq 0$?

B- Same questions but with s the sort **Type** of the Calculus of Constructions

C- Same questions but with s the sort **Type** and if we are only in F_ω .

D- Same questions but with s the sort **Type** and if we are only in $F_{\omega.2}$.

Remarks: you may or not use a polymorphic type for Church numbers. In this case, the representation can introduce a type abstraction (as in $\lambda X.\lambda x : X.\lambda f : X \rightarrow X.f(f(f(x)))$). Non-provability results are hard to obtain. A first attempt can be to consider the “proof-irrelevant” interpretation of the Calculus of Constructions. In this interpretation **Prop** is interpreted as a set with two values and proof dependencies in typed can be ignored.