

Preuves Interactives et Applications

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Foundations: Deduction in HOL

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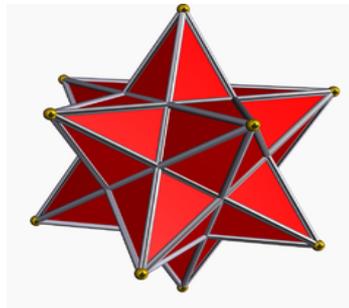
Foundation: Introduction to Deduction

Motivation

- “Logic Whirl-Pool” of the 20ies (Girard) as response to foundational problems in Mathematics
- growing uneasiness over the question:
 - What is a logic / a proof ?
 - What is a consistent logic ?
 - Are there limits of provability ?

Deduction

- Historical context in the 20ies:
 - 1500 false proofs of „all parallels do not intersect in infinity“
 - lots of proofs and refutations of „all polyhedrons are eularian“ (Lakatosz)



$$E = F + K - 2 \quad ???$$

- Frege`s axiomatic set theory proven inconsistent by Russel
- Science vs. Marxism debate (Popper)

Deduction

- Historical context in the 20ies:
 - this seemed quite far away from Leibnitz
 - „Calcuemus !“
(We don't agree ? Let's calculate ...)
 - of what constitutes, well, the heart of
Science ...

Deduction

- Historical context in the 20ies:
 - attempts to formalize the intuition of „deduction“ by Frege, Hilbert, Russel, Lukasiewics, ...
 - 2 Calculi presented by Gerhard Gentzen in 1934.

- „natürliches Schliessen“

(natural deduction):

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [P] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array}}{R}$$

- „Sequenzkalkül“ (sequent calculus)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \vee B \quad \Gamma \cup \{A\} \vdash C \quad \Gamma \cup \{B\} \vdash C}{\Gamma \vdash C}$$

Deduction

- An Inference System (or Logic) allows to infer formulas from a set of elementary **judgements** (axioms) and inferred **judgements** by rules:

$$\frac{A_1 \quad \dots \quad A_n}{A_{n+1}}$$

“from the **assumptions** A_1 to A_n , you can infer the conclusion A_{n+1} .” A rule with $n=0$ is an elementary fact. Variables occurring in the formulas A_n can be arbitrarily substituted.

Deduction

- **judgements** discussed in this course (or elsewhere):

$\Sigma, \Gamma \vdash t :: \tau$

“term t has type τ ”

$\Gamma \vdash \phi$

“formula ϕ is valid under assumptions Γ ”

$\vdash \{P\} x := x+1 \{Q\}.$

“Hoare Triple”

ϕ prop

“ ϕ is a property”

ϕ valid

“ ϕ is a valid (true) property”

X mortal \implies sokrates mortal

--- judgements with free variable

etc ...

Representing Logics

- An Inference System for the equality operator (presented in typed λ -calculus in Σ_{Pure}) looks like this:

$$\frac{}{(s = s)prop} \quad \frac{(s = t)prop}{(t = s)prop} \quad \frac{(r = s)prop \quad (s = t)prop}{(r = t)prop}$$

$$\frac{(s(x) = t(x))prop}{(s = t)prop} \text{ where } x \text{ is fresh} \quad \frac{(s = t)prop \quad (P(s))prop}{(P(t))prop}$$

(where *prop* is *Trueprop* and “ $\frac{\quad}{\quad}$ ” is $_ \Longrightarrow _$).

Representing Logics

- the same thing presented a bit more neatly
(not pretty-printing *Trueprop*, using $\wedge_{_} _$ in Σ_{Pure}):

$$\frac{}{x = x} \qquad \frac{s = t}{t = s} \qquad \frac{r = s \quad s = t}{r = t}$$

$$\frac{\wedge x. s \ x = t \ x}{s = t}$$

$$\frac{s = t \quad P \ s}{P \ t}$$

(equality on functions as above (“extensional equality”) is an higher-order principle, and it makes this logic “classic”).

Representing Logics

- the same thing presented as core logic in Isabelle/HOL (not pretty-printing *Trueprop*, using $\wedge_{_}_$ in Σ_{Pure}):

$$\frac{}{x = x} \text{ refl} \qquad \frac{s = t}{t = s} \text{ sym} \qquad \frac{r = s \quad s = t}{r = t} \text{ trans}$$

$$\frac{\bigwedge x. s \ x = t \ x}{s = t} \text{ ext} \qquad \frac{s = t \quad P \ s}{P \ t} \text{ subst}$$

(with the concrete names in Isabelle/HOL).

Foundation: Introduction to Deduction

„Pure“: A (Meta)-Language for Deductive Systems

- Pure is a **language to write logical rules** (a “meta-logic”)
- Higher-Order Logic (HOL) is our **working logic**.
- Equivalent notations for natural deduction rules
(Textbook and Isabelle/HOL:)

$$\frac{A_1 \quad \dots \quad A_n}{A_{n+1}}$$

$$A_1 \implies (\dots \implies (A_n \implies A_{n+1}) \dots),$$

$$\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \implies A_{n+1},$$

theorem

assumes A_1

and ...

and A_n

shows A_{n+1}

„Pure“: A (Meta)-Language for Deductive Systems

- Pure allows also to represent and reason over more complex rules involving the concept of “Discharge” of (hypothetical) assumptions:*

$(P \implies Q) \implies R :$

theorem

assumes " $P \implies Q$ "

shows "R"

$$\begin{array}{c} [P] \\ \vdots \\ Q \\ \hline R \end{array}$$

„Pure“: A (Meta)-Language for Deductive Systems

- Pure allows even more complex rules involving “local fresh variables” in sub-proofs:

$\Lambda x. (P\ x \implies Q\ x) \implies R :$

theorem

fix x

assumes " $P \implies Q$ "

shows " R "

$$\begin{array}{c} [P]_x \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ Q \\ \hline R \end{array}$$

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Important Example:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [P(n)]_n \\ \vdots \\ P(0) \quad P(\text{Suc } n) \end{array}}{\forall x.P(x)}$$

Deduction Rules for HOL (in Isabelle/Pure)

Propositional Logic as ND calculus

- Some (almost) basic rules in HOL
(and the names in Isabelle/HOL)

$$\frac{Q}{\neg\neg Q}$$

$$\frac{\neg\neg Q}{Q} \text{ notnotD}$$

$$\frac{}{\neg\neg Q = Q} \text{ notnot}$$

$$\frac{A}{A \vee B} \text{ disjI1}$$

$$\frac{B}{A \vee B} \text{ disjI2}$$

$$\frac{A \vee B \quad \begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array}}{Q} \text{ disjE}$$

Propositional Logic as ND calculus

- Some (almost) basic rules in HOL

$$\frac{A \wedge B}{Q} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} [A, B] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array}}{A \wedge B} \text{conjE} \quad \frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \text{conjI}$$

Propositional Logic as ND calculus

- Some (almost) basic rules in HOL

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \rightarrow B} \text{impI}$$

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

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \vdots \\ R \end{array} \quad A \rightarrow B \quad A}{R} \text{impE}$$

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HOL Rules

- “Classic” consequences of not not
(not true in a constructivistic version
of HOL as used in the Coq-System)

$$\frac{\neg A \quad A}{Q} \text{notE} \qquad \frac{\begin{array}{c} [\neg Q] \\ \vdots \\ \text{False} \end{array}}{Q} \text{contr} \qquad \frac{\text{False}}{Q} \text{FalseE}$$

HOL Rules

- The quantifier rules of HOL:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [P \ ?t; \forall x.P \ x] \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \forall x.P \ x \end{array} \quad Q}{Q}$$

alldupE
(unsafe, but
complete)

HOL Rules

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$$\frac{\forall x.P \quad x \quad \begin{array}{c} [P \ ?t] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array}}{Q} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{allE} \\ \text{(safe, but} \\ \text{incomplete)} \end{array}$$

HOL Rules

- The quantifier rules of HOL:

$$\frac{P \ ?t}{\exists x.P \ x} \text{exI}$$
$$\frac{\exists x.P(x) \quad \begin{array}{c} [P(x)]_x \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array}}{Q} \text{exE}$$

Formal Proofs

Key Concepts: Rule-Instances

- A **Rule-Instance** is a rule where the free variables in its judgements were substituted by a common substitution σ :

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \text{conjI} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \frac{3 < x \quad x \leq y}{3 < x \wedge x \leq y}$$

where σ is $\{A \mapsto 3 < x, B \mapsto x \leq y\}$.

Key Concepts: Formal Proofs

- A series of inference rule instances is usually displayed as a Proof Tree (or : **Derivation** or: **Formal Proof**)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{sym} \frac{f(a, b) = a}{a = f(a, b)} \quad \frac{f(a, b) = a \quad f(f(a, b), b) = c}{f(a, b) = c} \text{ subst} \\
 \hline
 \frac{a = f(a, b) \quad f(a, b) = c}{a = c} \text{ trans} \quad \frac{}{g(a) = g(a)} \text{ refl} \\
 \hline
 \text{subst} \frac{a = c \quad g(a) = g(a)}{g(a) = g(c)}
 \end{array}$$

- The hypothetical facts at the leaves are called the **assumptions of the proof** (here $f(a, b) = a$ and $f(f(a, b), b) = c$).

Key Concepts: Discharge

- A key requisite of ND is the concept of **discharge** of assumptions allowed by some rules (like impl)

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \rightarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \text{sym} \frac{[f(a, b) = a]}{a = f(a, b)} \quad \frac{[f(a, b) = a] \quad f(f(a, b), b) = c}{f(a, b) = c} \quad \text{subst} \\ \hline \text{trans} \frac{a = f(a, b) \quad f(a, b) = c}{a = c} \quad \text{refl} \frac{}{g(a) = g(a)} \\ \hline \text{subst} \frac{a = c \quad g(a) = g(a)}{g(a) = g(c)} \\ \hline f(a, b) = a \rightarrow g(a) = g(c) \end{array}}$$

- The set of assumptions is diminished by the **discharged** hypothetical facts of the proof (remaining: $f(f(a, b), b) = c$).

Key Concepts:

Global Assumptions

- The set of (proof-global) assumptions gives rise to the notation:

$$\{f(a, b) = a, f(f(a, b), b) = c\} \vdash g(a) = g(c)$$

written:

$$A \vdash \varphi$$

or when emphasising the global theory
(also called: global context):

$$A \vdash_E \phi$$

Sequent-style calculus

- Gentzen introduced an alternative “style” to natural deduction: Sequent style rules.
 - Idea: using the tuples $A \vdash \varphi$ as basic judgments of the rules.
 - impl and impE look then like this:

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash B}$$

Sequent-style calculus

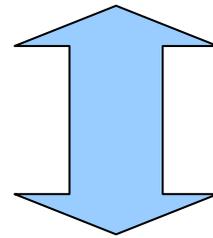
□ in contrast to:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \rightarrow B} \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B}$$

Sequent-style vs. ND calculus

- Both styles are linked by two transformations called “lifting over assumptions” Lifting over assumptions transforms:

$$\frac{A_1 \quad \dots \quad A_n}{A_{n+1}}$$



where we consider
for the moment
 \vdash just equivalent to
meta implication \implies

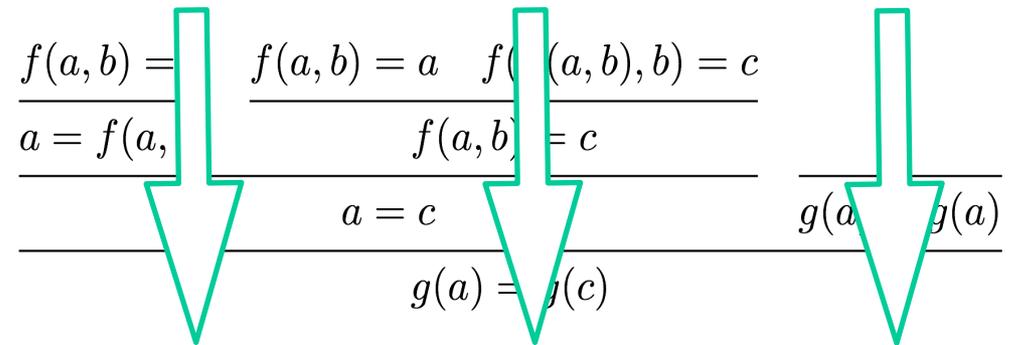
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma \vdash A_n}{\Gamma \vdash A_{n+1}}$$

Constructing Proofs

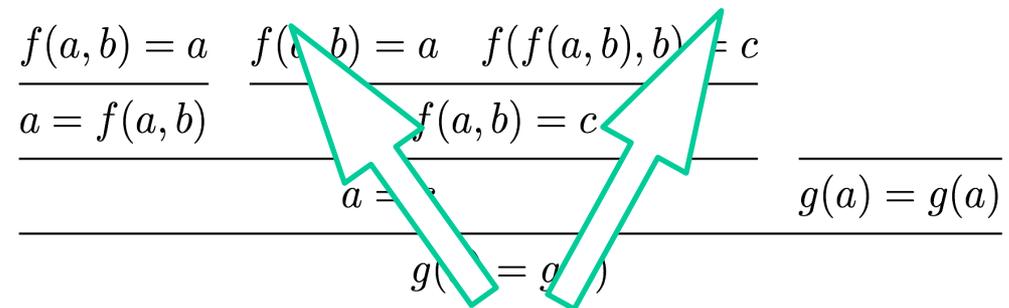
Proof Construction

□ Proofs can be constructed in two ways

□ Top down,
from assumptions
to conclusions
(Forward chaining)



□ Bottom up,
decomposing conclusions
to necessary assumptions
(Backward Chaining)



Proof Construction

- ❑ Forward Chaining / Forward Reasoning
 - ❑ Often intuitive for humans
 - ❑ Needs decomposition of assumptions
 - ❑ Needs “hindsight” towards the ultimate proof goal
“guessing” the right substitutions for rule-instances
 - ❑ Forward Reasoning is done by elimination rules
 - ❑ In Isabelle indexed by `_E` :
notE, conjE, disjE, impE

$$\frac{A \vee B \quad \begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \vdots \\ Q \end{array}}{Q} \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A \quad \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \vdots \\ R \end{array}}{R}$$

- ❑ A destructive variant of eliminations are destruction-rules. They allow transformations in assumptions.
- ❑ In Isabelle (usually) indexed by `_D`:

$$\frac{\neg\neg Q}{Q} \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B}$$

Proof Construction

- Backward Chaining / Backward Reasoning
 - Often deterministic in a logic:
we know which rules to apply from the syntactic structure of the root goal
 - Rule instances can often be constructed automatically
 - Schematic variables may help to delay decisions
 - Backward reasoning can lead in a loop
 - Backward reasoning is done by introduction rules
 - Suited rules are indexed by `_I` in Isabelle:
`conjI`, `disjI1`, `implI`, ...

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \text{conjI}$$

$$\frac{A}{A \vee B} \text{disjI1}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \rightarrow B} \text{implI}$$

Proof Construction: Quantifiers

- ❑ For \exists , \forall , Isabelle allows schematic variables $?X$, $?Y$, $?Z$ that represent „holes“ in a term that can be filled in later by substitution; Coq requires the instantiation when applying the rule.
- ❑ Isabelle uses a built-in (“meta”)-quantifier $\Lambda x. P\ x$ already seen; Coq uses internally a similar concept not explicitly revealed to the user.

Constructing apply-style Proofs in Isabelle

Apply-Style Proofs

- Isabelle supports a proof language for step-wise backwards proofs: “**apply style**” proofs
- General format:

```
lemma <name> : “<formula>”  
  apply(<method>)  
  ...  
  apply(<method>)  
  done
```

- Abbreviation:

by(<method>) is apply(<method>) done

Apply-Style Proofs

- Isabelle displays intermediate steps in a format inspired by a sequent-calculus:
 - Each open “branch” is represented by a “**subgoal**”
 - Each subgoal is represented as a rule, meaning:
under assumptions $A_1 \dots A_n$, it remains to show A_{n+1}
- A **method** is usually applied to the first “subgoal”
- “done” closes a proof (if possible) and stores the lemma as theorem (a “<thm>”)
- Isabelle manages a data-base of theorems
(recall “find_theorem “name”” or “find_theorem “pattern” for search)

Apply-Style Proofs

- **core - methods** at a glance

assumption	— discharge conclusion
rule <thm>	— introduction rules
erule <thm>	— elimination rules
drule <thm>	— destruction rule

- Variants avec substitution

rule_tac <substitution> in <thm>
erule_tac <substitution> in <thm>
drule_tac <substitution> in <thm>

Apply-Style Proofs

- Useful operation:

```
unfolding <thm> ... <thm>
prefer n                — rearranging goals
defer n
```

- Derived methods for one-step rewrites of an eqn:

```
subst <thm>
subst <thm>[symmetric] — “fold”
subst (asm) <thm>
```

Conclusion

- Higher-Order Logic can be easily represented in typed λ -calculus,
- ... that includes also its rules
- Rules can be derived in Pure; HOL rules are “first-order citizens”(and not built-in)
- Isabelle supports backward and forward reasoning
- ... actually in several proof languages.