

SMT-based constraint solving in Lean 4

The [cvc.lean](#) library: safety and ergonomics

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repository

github.com/anzenlang/cvc.lean

information, slides, and relevant links

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cvc.lean: context

- collaboration with [Cesare Tinelli](#) at the [University of Iowa](#), and the [cvc5 team](#)
- [Lean 4](#) library exposing the **cvc5** (C++) SMT solver's API --- using C-level FFI
- focus on **safety** and **ergonomics**
- public but **unstable, not officially released**: everything can change (and will improve)
- offshoot of the [lean-smt](#) project:

Lean-SMT

This project provides Lean tactics to discharge goals into SMT solvers. It is under active development and is currently in a beta phase. While it is usable, it is important to note that there are still some rough edges and ongoing improvements being made.

Supported Theories

`lean-smt` currently supports the theories of Uninterpreted Functions and Linear Integer/Real Arithmetic with quantifiers. Mathlib is required for Real Arithmetic. Support for the theory of Bitvectors is at an experimental stage. Support for additional theories is in progress.



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Let's jump right into it

- **demo time**

- access the (documented) demo file here:

github.com/anzenlang/cvc.lean/blob/demo_2025_02/CvcTest/Demo/February2025.lean

- or simply go to anzenlang.io/blog



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Advanced features

- interpolation
- quantifier-elimination
- partial information retrieval in *unknown* mode
- proof / unsat-core retrieval in *unsat* mode
- sat-core in *unsat* mode



Thank you!

Useful links

- information, slides, relevant links for this talk: anzenlang.io
- **cvc.lean**: github.com/anzenlang/cvc.lean
- **lean-cvc5** (very low-level cvc5 FFI): github.com/abdoo8080/lean-cvc5
- **lean-smt**: github.com/ufmg-smite/lean-smt



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