Proof Reconstruction in Classical Propositional Logic

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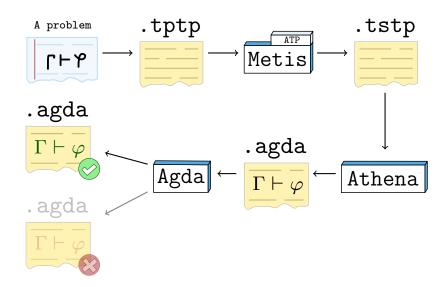
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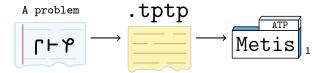




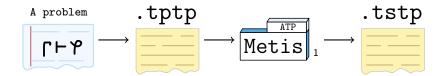
A problem



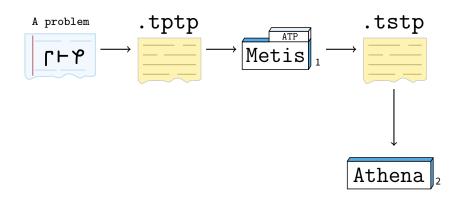




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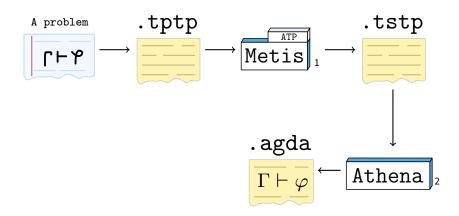


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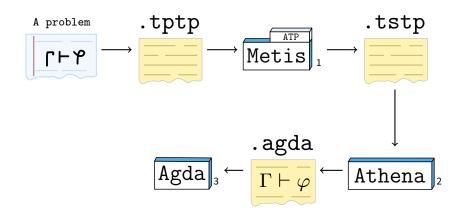
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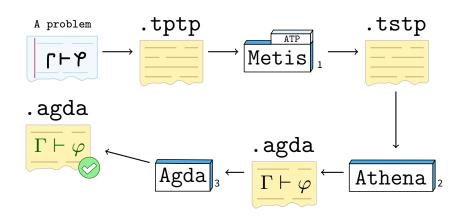
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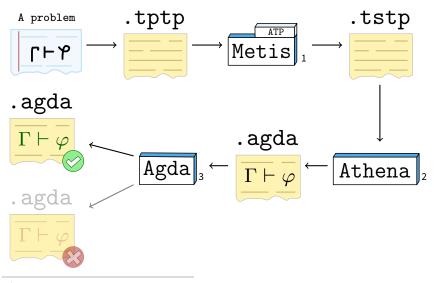
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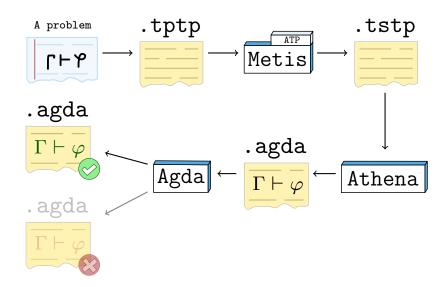
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Obstacles to Reconstruction with Automatic Provers (Paulson and Susanto, 2007)

- ► Ambiguities: their output typically omits crucial information, such as which term is affected by rewriting.
- ► Lack of standards: automatic provers generate different output formats and employ a variety of inference systems
- Complexity: a single automatic prover may use numerous inference rules with complicated behaviors
- Problem transformations: ATPs re-order literals and make other changes to the clauses they are given





- ▶ Is a language⁴ to encode problems (Sutcliffe, 2009)
- ▶ Is the input of the ATPs
- Annotated formulas with the form

```
language(name, role, formula).
```

```
language FOF or CNF
name to identify the formula within the problem
role axiom, definition, hypothesis, conjecture
formula formula in TPTP format
```

⁴http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/TPTP/SyntaxBNF.html.

TPTP Examples

 $\triangleright p \vdash p$

```
fof(myaxiom, axiom, p).
fof(goal, conjecture, p).
```

 $ightharpoonup \vdash \neg(p \land \neg p) \lor (q \land \neg q)$

```
fof(goal, conjecture, ~ ((p & ~ p) | (q & ~ q))).
```



Metis is an automatic theorem prover for First-Order Logic with Equality (Hurd, 2003)

Why Metis?

- Open source implemented in Standard ML
- Each refutation step is one of six rules
- Reads problem in TPTP format
- Outputs detailed proofs in TSTP format

⁵http://www.gilith.com/software/metis/.

TSTP derivations by Metis exhibit these inferences⁶

Rule	Purpose	
canonicalize	transforms formulas to CNF, DNF or NNF	
clausify	performs clausification	
conjunct	takes a formula from a conjunction	
negate	applies negation to the formula	
resolve	applies theorems of resolution	
simplify	applies over a list of formula to simplify them	
strip	splits a formula into subgoals	

.tstp

A TSTP derivation⁷

- ► Is a Directed Acyclic Graph where leaf is a formula from the TPTP input node is a formula inferred from parent formula root the final derived formula
- Is a list of annotated formulas with the form

```
language(name, role, formula, source [,useful info]).
```

where source typically is an inference record

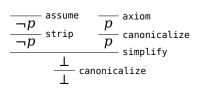
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inference(rule, useful info, parents).
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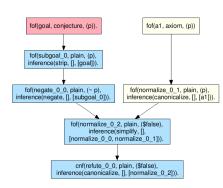
⁷http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/TPTP/OuickGuide/Derivations.html.

▶ Proof found by Metis for the problem $p \vdash p$

```
$ metis --show proof problem.tptp
fof(a, axiom, p).
fof(goal, conjecture, p).
fof(subgoal_0, plain, p),
 inference(strip, [], [goal])).
fof(negate_0_0, plain, ~ p,
 inference(negate, [], [subgoal_0])).
fof(normalize_0_0, plain, ~ p,
 inference(canonicalize, [], [negate 0 0])).
fof(normalize_0_1, plain, p,
 inference(canonicalize, [], [a])).
fof(normalize_0_2, plain, $false,
  inference(simplify, [],
    [normalize 0 0, normalize 0 1])).
cnf(refute_0_0, plain, $false,
    inference(canonicalize, [], [normalize_0_2])).
```

By refutation, we proved $p \vdash p$:







Is a Haskell program that translates proofs given by Metis in TSTP format to Agda code

- ► Parsing of TSTP language⁸
- ► Creation⁸ and analysis of **DAG** derivations
- Analysis of inference rules used in the TSTP derivation
- Agda code generation

Library	Purpose	
Agda-Prop	axioms and theorems of Classical Propositional Logic	
Agda-Metis	versions of the inference rules used by Metis	

⁸https://github.com/agomezl/tstp2agda.

Agda-Prop Library 9

- ▶ Intuitionistic Propositional Logic + PEM $(\Gamma \vdash \phi \lor \neg \phi)$
- ► A data type for formulas

```
data Prop : Set where
 Var : Fin n → Prop
 T: Prop
 ⊥ : Prop
 Λ : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop
 _V_ : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop
 _⇒_ : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop
 _⇔_ : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop
 ¬ : (φ : Prop) → Prop
```

⁹https://github.com/ionaprieto/agda-prop.

► A data type for theorems

```
data \_\vdash\_ : (\Gamma : Ctxt)(\phi : Prop) \rightarrow Set
```

Constructors

```
assume, axiom, weaken, T-intro, 1-elim, ¬-intro, ¬-elim, ∧-intro, ∧-projı, ∧-proj₂, v-introı, v-intro₂, v-elim, ⇒-intro, ⇒-elim, ⇔-intro, ⇔-elimı, ⇔-elimı.
```

Natural deduction proofs for more than 71 theorems

```
⇔-equiv, ⇔-assoc, ⇔-comm, ⇒-⇔-¬V, ⇔-¬-to-¬,
¬⇔-to-¬, ¬¬-equiv, ⇒⇒-⇔-Λ⇒, ⇔-trans, Λ-assoc,
Λ-comm, Λ-dist, ¬Λ-to-¬V¬, ¬V¬-to-¬Λ, ¬V¬-⇔-¬Λ,
subst⊢Λ1, subst⊢Λ2, V-assoc, V-comm, V-dist,
V-equiv, ¬V-to-¬Λ¬, ¬Λ¬-to-¬V, V-dmorgan,
¬¬V¬¬-to-V, cnf, nnf, dnf, RAA, ...
```

Agda-Metis Library (Prieto-Cubides and Sicard-Ramírez, 2017a)

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simplify	applies over a list of formula to simplify them	atp-simplify
strip	splits a formula into subgoals	atp-strip

Agda-Metis: Conjunct Inference 10

Definition

$$\operatorname{conjunct}(\overbrace{\varphi_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \varphi_n}^{\varphi}, \psi) = \begin{cases} \varphi_i & \text{if } \psi \text{ is equal to some } \varphi_i \\ \varphi & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

¹⁰ https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-metis.

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Inference rules involved

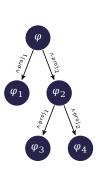
$$rac{arphi_1 \wedge arphi_2}{arphi_1}$$
 ^-proj $_1$

$$rac{arphi_1 \wedge arphi_2}{arphi_2}$$
 ^-proj $_2$

Example

$$\varphi := \varphi_1 \wedge \overbrace{(\varphi_3 \wedge \varphi_4)}^{\varphi_2}$$

- ► conjunct(φ , $\varphi_3 \land \varphi_1$) $\equiv \varphi$
- ▶ conjunct(φ , φ ₃) $\equiv \varphi$ ₃
- ► conjunct(φ , φ ₂) $\equiv \varphi$ ₂



¹⁰ https://github.com/ionaprieto/agda-metis.

```
data ConjView : Prop → Set where
  conj : (\phi_1 \phi_2 : Prop) \rightarrow ConjView (\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2)
  other : (φ : Prop) → ConjView φ
conj-view : (φ : Prop) → ConjView φ
conj-view (\phi \wedge \psi) = conj
conj-view \phi = other
data Step: Set where
  pick : Step
  proj<sub>1</sub> : Step
  proi2 : Step
Path: Set
Path = List Step
conjunct-path : (φ ψ : Prop) → Path → Path
conjunct-path φ ψ path with [ eq φ ψ ]
... | true = path :: r pick
... | false with conj-view φ
... | other = []
... | conj φ<sub>1</sub> φ<sub>2</sub> with conjunct-path φ<sub>1</sub> ψ []
\dots | subpath@( \dots ) = (path \dots proj<sub>1</sub>) ++ subpath
... | [] with conjunct-path φ<sub>2</sub> ψ []
                 subpath@( :: ) = (path :: proj_2) ++ subpath
                 []
                                   = []
```

The conjunct function and its theorem, atp-conjunct

```
conjunct : Prop → Prop → Prop
conjunct φ ψ with conj-view φ | conjunct-path φ ψ []
... | conj | pick :: = \varphi
... | conj φ<sub>1</sub> _ | proj<sub>1</sub> :: _ = conjunct φ<sub>1</sub> ψ
... | conj _ \varphi_2 | proj<sub>2</sub> :: _ = conjunct \varphi_2 \psi
... | other φ |
atp-conjunct
  : ∀ {Γ} {φ}
  → (ψ : Prop)
  \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi
  → Γ ⊢ conjunct φ ψ
atp-conjunct {Γ} {φ} ψ Γ⊢φ
  with conj-view φ | conjunct-path φ ψ []
                        []
                            = Γ⊢φ
. . .
     | conj _ _ | pick :: _ = Γ⊢φ
                       | proj₁ :: _ = atp-conjunct ψ (Λ-proj₁ Γ⊢φ)
    conj _ _
                       | proj_2 :: = atp-conjunct \psi (\Lambda-proj_2 \Gamma \vdash \varphi)
    conj
. . .
                        ( :: ) = \Gamma \vdash \varphi
... | other
```

Agda Code ExampleGenerated by Athena Tool

- ▶ The problem is $p \land q \vdash q \land p$
- ▶ In TPTP format

```
$ cat problem.tptp
fof(a, axiom, p & q).
fof(goal, conjecture, q & p).
```

▶ How to use Athena with your problem

```
$ metis --show proof problem.tptp > problem.tstp
$ athena problem.tstp
$ agda problem.tstp
```

```
fof(a, axiom, p \& q).
fof(goal, conjecture, q & p).
fof(subgoal_0, plain, q,
    inference(strip, [], [goal])).
fof(subgoal_1, plain, q => p,
    inference(strip, [], [goal])).
fof(negate_0_0, plain, ~ q,
inference(negate, [], [subgoal_0])).
fof(normalize_0_0, plain, (~ q),
    inference(canonicalize, [], [negate_0_0])).
fof(normalize_0_1, plain, p & q,
    inference(canonicalize, [], [a])).
fof(normalize_0_2, plain, q,
    inference(conjunct, [], [normalize_0_1])).
fof(normalize_0_3, plain, $false,
    inference(simplify, [],
        [normalize_0_0, normalize_0_2])).
cnf(refute_0_0, plain, $false,
    inference(canonicalize, [], [normalize_0_3])).
fof(negate_1_0, plain, \sim (q \Rightarrow p),
    inference(negate, [], [subgoal_1])).
fof(normalize_1_0, plain, ~ p & q,
```

```
p, q, a, goal, subgoal<sub>0</sub>, subgoal<sub>1</sub> : Prop
-- Axiom.
a = p \wedge q
-- Premise.
Γ : Ctxt
\Gamma = [a]
-- Conjecture.
goal = q \wedge p
-- Subgoals.
subgoal₀ = q
subgoal_1 = q \Rightarrow p
```

```
a: Prop
a = p \wedge q
subgoal : Prop
subgoal_0 = q
proof<sub>0</sub> : Γ ⊢ subgoal<sub>0</sub>
proof<sub>0</sub> =
   (RAA
      (atp-canonicalize
        (atp-simplify
           (atp-canonicalize
              (atp-strip
                 (assume \{\Gamma = \Gamma\} (atp-negate subgoal<sub>0</sub>))))
           (atp-conjunct (q)
              (atp-canonicalize
                 (weaken (atp-negate subgoal<sub>0</sub>)
                   (assume \{\Gamma = \emptyset\} \ a))))))))
```

```
subgoal: Prop
subgoal_1 = q \Rightarrow p
proof1 : Γ ⊢ subgoal1
proof_1 =
  (RAA
    (atp-canonicalize
       (atp-simplify
         (atp-conjunct (q)
            (atp-canonicalize
              (weaken (atp-negate subgoal1)
                 (assume \{\Gamma = \emptyset\} a))))
         (atp-simplify
            (atp-canonicalize
              (atp-strip
                 (assume \{\Gamma = \Gamma\} (atp-negate subgoal<sub>1</sub>))))
            (atp-conjunct (p)
              (atp-canonicalize
                 (weaken (atp-negate subgoal:)
                   (assume \{\Gamma = \emptyset\} a))))))))
```

```
-- Premise.
\Gamma = [a]
-- Conjecture.
goal = q \wedge p
-- Subgoals.
subgoal_0 = q
subgoal_1 = q \Rightarrow p
-- Proof
proof₀ : Γ ⊢ subgoal₀
proof₁ : Γ ⊢ subgoal₁
proof : Γ ⊢ goal
proof =
  ⇒-elim
     atp-splitGoal
                       -- q \wedge (q \Rightarrow p) \Rightarrow p
     (A-intro proof proof 1)
```

Metis v2.3 (release 20161108)

```
$ cat problem.tptp
fof(goal, conjecture,
   ((p <=> q) <=> r) <=> (p <=> (q <=> r))).
```

```
$ metis --show proof problem.tptp
fof(normalize_2_0, plain,
  (~p \& (~q \iff ~r) \& (~p \iff (~q \iff ~r)))
 inference(canonicalize, [], [negate_2_0])).
fof(normalize 2 1, plain, ~ p <=> (~ q <=> ~ r),
    inference(conjunct, [], [normalize_2_0])).
fof(normalize_2_2, plain, ~ q <=> ~ r,
    inference(conjunct, [], [normalize_2_0])).
fof(normalize_2_3, plain, ~ p,
  inference(conjunct, [], [normalize_2_0])).
fof(normalize_2_4, plain, $false,
    inference(simplify, [],
      [normalize_2_1, normalize_2_2, normalize_2_3])).
. . .
```

¹¹https://github.com/gilith/metis/issues/2.

$$\varphi := \neg p \land (\neg q \Leftrightarrow \neg r) \land (\neg p \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \Leftrightarrow \neg r))$$

$$\frac{ \vdots }{ \varphi \text{ canonicalize} } \text{ conjunct } \frac{ \vdots }{ \varphi \text{ canonicalize} } \text{ conjunct } \frac{ \vdots }{ \varphi \text{ canonicalize} } \text{ conjunct } \frac{ \vdots }{ \varphi \text{ canonicalize} } \text{ conjunct } \frac{ \vdots }{ \neg p \text{ simplify} }$$

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The bug was caused by the conversion of Xor sets to Iff lists. After reporting this, Hurd fixed the printing of canonicalize inference rule

$$\varphi := \neg p \land (\neg q \Leftrightarrow \neg r) \land (\neg p \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \Leftrightarrow r))$$

SledgeHammer

(Paulson and Susanto, 2007)

- Isabelle/HOL mature tool
- Metis ported within Isabelle/HOL
- Reconstruct proofs of well-known ATPs: EProver, Vampire, among others using SystemOnTPTP server

Integrating Waldmeister into Agda

(Foster and Struth, 2011)

- Framework for a integration between Agda and ATPs
 - Equational Logic
 - Reflection Layers
- ► Source code is not available 12

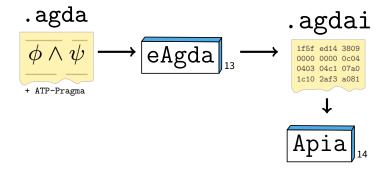
¹²http://simon-foster.staff.shef.ac.uk/agdaatp.

At the moment, the communication between Agda and the ATPs is unidirectional because the ATPs are being used as oracles (Sicard-Ramírez, Bove, and Dybjer, 2015)



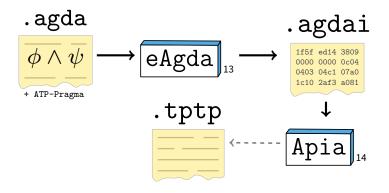
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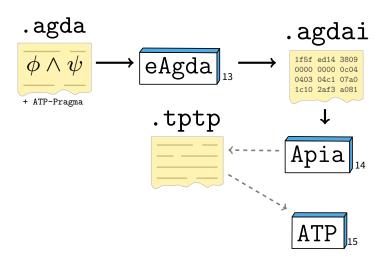
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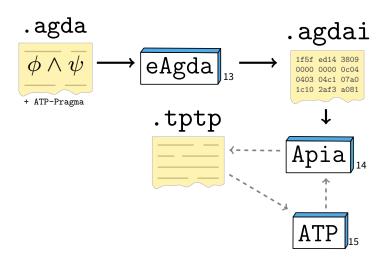


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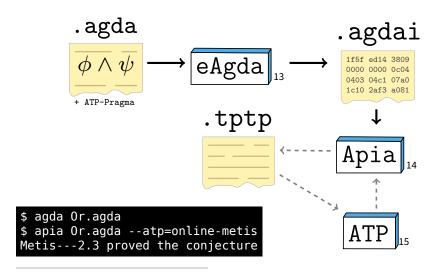


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- ► Complete implementation for simplify inference 16
- Complete implementation for canonicalize inference: what normal form use to transform the formulas
- ▶ Complete implementation for Splitting a goal in a list of subgoals

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Contributions

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Agda-Prop	(Prieto-Cubides and Sicard-Ramírez, 2017b)
Athena	(Prieto-Cubides and Sicard-Ramírez, 2017c)
OnlineATPs	(Prieto-Cubides, 2017a)
Prop-Pack	(Prieto-Cubides, 2017b)

Future Work

- Integration with Apia
- Support First-Order Logic with Equality
- Support another prover like EProver or Vampire

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Metis Inference Rules

$$\frac{C}{L \vee \neg L} \text{ assume } L$$

$$\frac{C}{\sigma C} \text{ subst } \sigma$$

$$\frac{L \vee C}{C \vee D} \text{ resolve } L$$

$$\frac{T}{c} = t \text{ refl } t$$

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