Lem Manual

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1 Introduction

Lem is a lightweight tool for writing, managing, and publishing large scale semantic definitions. It is also intended as an intermediate language for generating definitions from domain-specific tools, and for porting definitions between interactive theorem proving systems (such as Coq, HOL4, and Isabelle).

The language combines features familiar from functional programming languages with logical constructs. From functional programming languages we take pure higher-order functions, general recursion, recursive algebraic datatypes, records, lists, pattern matching, parametric polymorphism, a simple type class mechanism for overloading, and a simple module system. To these we add logical constructs familar in provers: universal and existential quantification, sets (including set comprehensions), relations, finite maps, inductive relation definitions, and lemma statements. Then there are facilities to let the user tune how Lem definitions are mapped into the various targets (by declaring target representations and controlling notation, renaming, inlining, and type classes), to generate witness types and executable functions from inductive relations, and for assertions.

Lem typechecks its input and can generate executable OCaml, theorem prover definitions in Coq, HOL4 and Isabelle/HOL, typeset definitions in LaTeX, and simple HTML.

1.1 Supported software

Lem is tested against the following versions of the backend software:

OCaml: 3.12.1. and 4.00.0
Coq: 8.4pl3 and 8.4pl2
Isabelle: Isabelle-2013-2
HOL: HOL4 Kananaskis 9

Older or newer versions of this software may work correctly with Lem, but are unsupported.

2 Installation

2.1 Lem binary

To build Lem run make in the top-level directory. This builds the executable lem, and places a symbolic link to it in that directory. Lem depends on OCaml. Lem is tested against OCaml 3.12.1. and 4.00.0. Other versions might or might not work.

Lem needs to access its library, which is by default stored in PATH_TO_LEM/library. If you want to use a different library directory, please either set the environment variable LEMLIB or pass the command-line argument -lib YOUR_LIB_DIR to Lem when running it.

2.2 Backend libraries

Running make only generates Lem itself. It does not generate the libraries needed to use Lem's output for certain backends. To generate the libraries for a specific backend, please run

for OCaml : make ocaml-libs for HOL 4 : make hol-libs for Isabelle: make isa-libs for Coq : make coq-libs

These targets depend on the corresponding tool being installed, because they might run some automated tests or compile the Lem generated files. If you just want to generate the input which Lem gives to these tools, please run make libs.

2.3 Documentation

2.3.1 Papers

In subdirectory doc, a draft version of a conference submission describing Lem can be found, lem-draft.pdf.

2.3.2 Manual

Lem's manual can be found in subdirectory doc. It's written in *Markdown* and tested with Pandoc 1.9.1.1. However, it tries to avoid Pandoc specific extensions of Markdown.

Running make in subdirectory doc invokes Pandoc to generate html- and pdf-versions of the manual. Since the manual is written in Markdown, you can easily read it with the text-editor of your choice as well.

2.3.3 Library documentation

Similar to generating backend libraries, one can also generate documentation for the libraries by running make tex-libs. This generates a file tex-lib/lem-libs.pdf. In order to not pretty print the whole library, but just get interface information, one can use Lem's command line argument print_env. Running lem -print_env library/pervasives_extra.lem loads all of the libraries and afterwards prints the environment in a concise form.

2.3.4 Syntax

The input syntax of Lem is described later in this document. The syntax is defined using the Ott tool, and the language definition can be found in file language/lem.ott. You don't need Ott to compile or use Lem. However, if Ott is installed, the makefile in directory language can be used to generate a PDF documenting the syntax of Lem. A snapshot of that is in doc/lem.pdf.

2.3.5 Source code documentation

The makefile in Lem's root directory contains targets to generate Ocamldoc documentation for Lem's sources. Running make lem-doc generates

- directory html-doc (the source documentation as HTML)
- file lem-doc.pdf (the source documentation as PDF)
- file lem-doc-dep.pdf (a dependency graph as PDF)

2.3.6 Old Manual

Lem's old manual can be found in subdirectory manual. It is now out of date, though.

3 Invoking Lem

The most basic usage of Lem is running a command like

```
lem input1.lem ... inputn.lem -target
```

This command loads the lem files input1.lem through inputn.lem and outputs their translation to target target in the same directory as the input files. Multiple target arguments are possible. For example

```
lem name1.lem name2.lem -ocaml -hol -isa -coq
```

creates the following files (assuming there are no type errors, and no explicit renaming in the source files):

- name1.ml and name2.ml for target ocaml
- name1Script.sml, name2Script.sml for target hol
- Name1.thy, Name2.thy for target isa
- name1.v, name2.v for target coq

There are auxiliary files generated as well, which are discussed later.

Lem has many command line options to configure its behaviour. Running lem --help provides a short documentation of these options. The most common ones are explained below.

3.1 Backends

The following command line options tell Lem to generate output for certain backends. They are discussed in more detail in the corresponding backend sections later. Notice that multiple backend options can be given in order to generate output for more than one backend.

- -ocaml generate OCaml output
- -hol generate HOL4 output
- -isa generate Isabelle/HOL output
- -coq generate Coq output
- -tex generate LaTeX output for each module separately. This means that for each input file, a separate output .tex file is created. These files contain the pretty-printed input.
- -tex_all output_filename.tex generate LaTeX output in a single file. All input files are added as separate sections to the file output_filename.tex and a table of contents is added before.
- -html generate HTML output for each module separately
- -lem generate Lem output after simple transformations. This is used for refactoring Lem developments.

3.2 Dependency Resolution / Libraries

Lem by default searches the given input files for explicit *import* statements. It then tries to load the imported modules from either the directory of the files importing them or from one of the library directories. Lem only generates output for the files given explicitly as arguments. No output is generated for automatically imported files.

By default Lem uses the directory library as its library directory. This can be changed by either setting the environment-variable LEMLIB or by using the command-line argument -lib. Multiple usages of -lib allow using more than one library directory. Sometimes, users might be interested when a module is imported and from which file. Setting the warning-level of auto-imports to warn via the command-line option -wl_auto_import warn allows to keep track of auto-imports. Setting it to err via -wl_auto_import err turns off automatic imports and therefore requires the user to explicitly provide all needed input files on the command line. Notice however, that dependency resolution still happens between these explicitly given files and they might be processed in a different order than specified. To turn off resorting the explicit inputs, one can use the command-line flag -no_dep_reorder. When providing all inputs explicitly, it might be useful to turn off output for some of them via the command-line argument -i.

3.3 Output Directory

By default, output files are generated in the same directory as the corresponding input file. This remains the case even if input files come from multiple directories. For example

lem -tex dir1/file1.lem dir2/file2.lem

generates the files dir1/File1.tex and dir2/File2.tex. The command line option -outdir allows one to specify a different output directory. When using -outdir all explicitly, the given input files need to live in the same directory.

3.4 Auxiliary Output

Lem generates two kinds of output files, the main output and auxiliary outputs. Auxiliary outputs do not contain the main specification, but some related content that might be useful to the user. Examples of such auxiliary output are templates for termination proofs of recursive functions. Other are proof obligations generated by explicit lemmata as well as automatic consistency checks. This kind of auxiliary output should be copied by the user manually to some other files and be used there in whatever way the user thinks best. However, there is also auxiliary output that can be processed completely automatically. Examples are assertions, which for the Ocaml and HOL backends generate executable tests.

By default Lem generates all available auxiliary output. The command-line option <code>-auxiliary_level</code> can be used to control this behaviour. By default it is set to <code>full</code>. The command line option <code>-auxiliary_level</code> auto causes only automatically processable output like testing code of assertions to be generated. <code>-auxiliary_level</code> none turns off the generation of auxiliary files. One can also turn off the generation of the main files and only generate the auxiliary ones using <code>-only_auxiliary</code>.

3.5 Updating Existing Output

When using multi-file Lem developments, it might be handy to only update the output files that really changed. This allows the build-tools of backends like OCaml, HOL, Isabelle or Coq to only recompile files that really need to. Lem supports this via the command line option <code>-only_changed_output</code>.

3.6 Warnings

Lem can print warning messages about various things. Common warnings are about unused variables, name clashes that required automatic renaming of some entities or the need for pattern compilation, but there are many more. Warning options start with the prefix w1. They can be set to 4 different values

- ign ignore this warning and do nothing
- warn print a normal warning message and continue. This is the default for most options.
- verb print a verbose warning message and continue
- err stop with a verbose error message

The option -wl controls all warning messages at once. This is useful to turn off all warning messages (-wl ign). It can also be used to first turn all messages off and then activate selected ones again to concentrate on certain problems with the input. -wl ign -wl_rename warn causes - for example - Lem to print only warnings about renamings of constants. So, the user can look the renamings up and provide manual renamings, which generally look better than the auto-generated ones. Later, when there should be no auto-renamings any more, one could enforce this property by using -wl_rename err.

There are currently the following warnings. Since this list changes frequently, it is recommended to check the warning-options for your version of Lem via lem --help. This also prints the default setting for these warning options.

- -wl warning level of all warnings
- -wl_gen warning level of miscellaneous warnings
- -wl_amb_code warning level of ambiguous code. This means code that is can easily confuse users and should perhaps be written more clearly.
- -wl_auto_import warning level of automatically imported modules. Setting this option to err is used to turn off automatic imports. Together with '-no_dep_reorder it effectively turns off dependency resolution.

- -wl_comp_message warning level of compile messages. Compile messages are messages associated with certain functions. They contain information for the user how to use these functions. Such messages might point out that a function is not supported by certain backends or that its semantics might be underspecified of deliberately different for different backends.
- -wl_inst_over warning level of overridden instance declarations
- -wl_no_dec_eq warning level of equality of type is undecidable
- -wl_pat_comp warning level of pattern compilation. This causes a warning message if certain patterns are not natively supported by a backend and therefore need pattern compilation. Since pattern compilation changes the input significantly, sometimes users might prefer to write the pattern match in a style supported by the backend.
- -wl_pat_exh warning level of non-exhaustive pattern matches
- -wl_pat_fail warning level of failed pattern compilation
- -wl_pat_red warning level of redundant patterns
- -wl_rename warning level of automatic renamings
- -wl_resort warning level of re-sorted record fields and function clauses. Some backends require the fields of a record to be given in the same order as in the definition of the record type. Lem is more relaxed but warns if it needs to re-sort. Similarly, some backends require the clauses of mutually recursive function definitions to be grouped together, which might require resorting.
- -wl_unused_vars warning level of unused variables. To turn off this warning of a certain variable, one can change the variable name to start with an underscore. For example, for a variable _x no warning is issued.

3.7 Miscellaneous Command-Line Options

- -print_env print the environment signature on stdout. This feature gives a very brief overview of the current state and allows for example to get a short list of all the types and functions defined in a certain module.
- -add_loc_annots add location annotations to the output.
- -v print Lem's version

3.8 Command-line Options for Debugging

- -ident generate the input on stdout. This is used for debugging Lem.
- -debug print a backtrace for all errors. This is used for debugging Lem. In order for it to work, Lem needs to be compiled in debug mode (which is done by default).
- -ident_pat_compile activates pattern compilation for the identity backend. This is used for debugging.
- -ident_dict_passing activates dictionary passing transformations for the identity backend. This is used for debugging.

4 Backends

4.1 OCaml

The command line option -ocaml instructs Lem to generate OCaml output. A module with name Mymodule generates a file mymodule.ml and possibly mymoduleAuxiliary.lem.

4.1.1 Compilation

Lem-generated OCaml relies on some Lem-specific OCaml code as well as OCaml versions of the Lem library. Calling make ocaml-libs in Lem's main directory generates these files in subdirectory ocaml-lib and compiles them.

When compiling Lem-generated OCaml-code, it needs to be linked with the files in directory ocaml_lib. To make this simpler, an OCaml-package Lem (using extract.cma) is defined in this directory. One can for example compile a file name1.ml by

```
ocamlc -I path_to_lem/ocaml-lib/_build -o name extract.cma name1.ml
```

or, using ocambuild and findlib, by

```
export OCAMLPATH=/absolute/path/to/lem/ocaml-lib:$OCAMLPATH ocamlbuild -libs nums -use-ocamlfind -pkg lem name.native
```

4.1.2 Auxiliary Files

OCaml auxiliary files do not need modifications by the user. They contain tests generated from assertions in the input files. When compiled as described above and run as standalone programs, OCaml auxiliary files execute the tests and print the results.

4.2 HOL4

The command line option -hol instructs Lem to generate HOL4 output. A module with name Mymodule generates a file mymoduleScript.sml and possibly mymoduleAuxiliaryScript.sml.

4.2.1 Compilation

Lem-generated HOL theories depend on some Lem-specific HOL4 code as well as HOL4 versions of the Lem library. Calling make hol-libs in Lem's main directory generates these files in subdirectory hol_lib and compiles them using Holmake. During this compilation process a heap with name lemheap is generated. It is recommended to use this heap for your own HOL4 development based on Lem-generated files. Using the generated files in hol-libs directly is possible as well, though. In order to use the heap, add the following line to the Holmakefile of the directory, where your HOL4-files are stored:

```
HOLHEAP = path_to_lem/hol-lib/lemheap
```

A template Holmakefile file using other useful options as well can be found in directory library.

4.2.2 Auxiliary Files

HOL4 auxiliary files contain both executable tests generated from assertions as well as templates for termination proofs and lemmata that need manual labour by the user. The command line option -auxiliary_level auto allows to generate only the executable tests.

4.3 Isabelle/HOL

The command line option -isa instructs Lem to generate Isabelle/HOL output. A module with name Mymodule generates a files Mymodule.thy and possibly MymoduleAuxiliary.thy.

4.3.1 Generating Isabelle Library

Lem-generated Isabelle theories depend on some Lem-specific Isabelle theories as well as Isabelle versions of the Lem library. Calling make <code>isa-libs</code> in Lem's main directory generates these files in subdirectory <code>isa_lib</code>. In contrast to the HOL and OCaml libraries the generation of these libraries does not trigger automatic tests. If you want to check the sanity of the library, please use <code>make isa-lib-tests</code> in subdirectory library. This creates a directory <code>library/isa-build-dir</code> and the library auxiliary files within this directory. Moreover, there is a file <code>LemTests.thy</code>, which imports all other files and is therefore useful for testing all these files in Isabelle.

4.3.2 Adapting Isabelle Imports

The theory import-statement in the header of generated Isabelle files contains the absolute path to Lem's library directory. If you move the library directory, this path needs adapting. If you want to use a backend specific import statement in your own Lem development, that imports some theory in the library directory, you can use the variable \$LIB_DIR as in the following example

```
open import {isabelle} '$LIB_DIR/Lem'
```

4.3.3 Auxiliary Files

Isabelle auxiliary contain both executable tests generated from assertions as well as templates for termination proofs and lemmata that need manual labour by the user. In contrast to the auxiliary output of HOL, the templates for lemmata and termination proofs make use of Isabelle's automation and therefore often succeed without user intervention. Therefore, using the command line option <code>-auxiliary_level</code> auto in order to generate only code for assertions is possible but not imperative.

4.3.4 Automatic Proof Tools / Counter Example Generation

The auxiliary files contain templates for lemmata that use Isabelle's automation. Therefore these templates might be useful even for users not familiar with Isabelle, who want to use tools like automatic counter example generation.

The Lem-lemma

```
lemma unzip_zip:
   forall 11 12. unzip (zip 11 12) = (11, 12)
```

is for example translated to the following Isabelle code:

```
lemma unzip_zip:
   "! 11 12. list_unzip (zip 11 12) = (11, 12)"
   (* try *) by auto
```

The automated proof attempt by the auto method fails. If the user removes the comment around try, various automated methods are run to either prove the lemma or find a counterexample. These methods include running external SMT and first order provers, internal natural deduction tools as well as a sophisticated counter example generator. In this example, Isabelle quickly finds a counterexample:

```
Nitpick found a counterexample for card 'a = 2 and card 'b = 2:
Skolem constants: l1 = [a1], l2 = []
```

While this is a trivial example, counterexamples and proofs are also found for more interesting cases. So, writing lemmata in Lem and translating them to Isabelle might be useful, even if you are not familiar with Isabelle.

4.4 Coq

4.5 LaTeX

The command line option -tex instructs Lem to generate LaTeX output. A module with name Mymodule generates a files Mymodule.tex, Mymodule-inc.tex and Mymodule-use_inc.tex. No auxiliary files are generated. The generated LaTeX output depends on the style-file lem.sty in directory tex-lib.

The file Mymodule.tex contains a pretty-printed version of the original input file. Mymodule-inc.tex defines LaTeX macros that can be used to type-set single definitions inside your own developments. Mymodule-use_inc.tex uses these macros to mimic the behaviour of Mymodule.tex. It is useful, since it essentially is a list of all the defined macros in the order they appear in the input file.

The command-line-option -tex generates separate LaTeX files for each input file. If using the option -tex_all my_output, Lem generates the files my_output.tex, my_output-inc.tex and my_output-use_inc.tex, which contain representations / macros for all input files.

4.5.1 LaTeX Macro Names

The ...-inc.tex files contain macros that allow type-setting single definitions from the original input. As far as possible, the names of the macros are derived from the name of the defined entity. We have

- the definition of a function myfun generates a macro \LEMmyfun
- the definition of a type mytype generates a macro \LEMTypeMytype
- the definition of a relation myrel generates a macro \LEMmyrel
- a val-specification of a function myfun generates a macro \LEMValspecMyfun

Other entities like declarations, class definitions etc. do not currently get predictable names. Please have a look at the content of the ...-use_inc.tex or ...-inc.tex file to figure out the generated name for these.

If the names of macros derived by the scheme above clash, a number is added at the end. Because LaTeX does not allow digets in macro names, these numbers are expressed as English words. Name clashes happen if there are several definitions of a function, which sometimes happens since you might prefer a different definition depending on the target. If there is a val-specification for a function myfun, as well as an OCaml-specific, a HOL and Isabelle-specific and Coq-specific one, these generates the macros \LEMValspecMyfun, \LEMmyfunTero, \LEMmyfunOne, \LEMmyfunTwo.

4.5.2 LaTeX Macro Usage

By default, macros print their full definition without any preceding comment, but with a LaTeX label that allows referring to that definition. The generated LaTeX macros accept an optional argument that changes this behaviour. So, for example \LEMmyfun prints the definition of the function myfun, whereas \LEMmyfun[name] prints only the type-set name of myfun. There are the following arguments available:

- default same as not providing an argument, alias for def
- def print a label followed by the full definition excluding the preceding comment
- defWithComment print a label followed by the full definition including the preceding comment
- name print the typeset name of the definition. For definitions defining more than one constant of type, as well as for Lem statements not defining anything, this is empty
- comment print the preceding comment
- commentPre alias for comment

- commentPost print the comment directly after the definition (usually empty)
- core print the *core* of a definition. Usually that's the right hand side of the definition, but might vary depending on the type of Lem-statement that generated the macro
- label print the label that is used by def and defWithComment.

If you want to learn about details or add your own argument values, please have a look at the definition of macro \lemdefn in file tex-lib/lem.sty.

4.5.3 Libraries

Running make tex-libs in Lem's main directory generates LaTeX output for Lem's library. By running Pdflatex on this output a file tex-lib/lem-libs.pdf is generated, which can be used as library documentation. Moreover, there are also lem-libs.tex, lem-libs-inc.tex and lem-libs-use_inc.tex, which can be used as described above.

4.6 HTML

The command line option -html instructs Lem to generate HTML output. A module with name Mymodule generates a file Mymodule.html. No auxiliary files are generated.

5 Lem-library

Lem comes with a default library of types and constants. This library can be found in directory library. It contains collections such as lists, sets and maps, basic data types such as disjoint sums, optional types, booleans and tuples, useful combinators on functions, and a library for working with relations.

5.1 General Design

The library follows Haskell's library in terms of names of constants, types and modules. The library is separated into two sets of modules: the *main* and *extra* modules. The main hierarchy of files contain total, terminating functions that we believe are well-specified enough to be portable across all backends. All other functions are are placed in the extra modules. For example, the library file function.lem includes various useful combinators such as flip and const. The function_extra.lem file, on the other hand, contains the constant THE with type forall 'a. ('a --> bool) --> maybe 'a, inexpressible in Coq.

Lem leaves the choice of using the main library or the extended library to the user. The module Pervasives contains the main part of the library, Pervasives_extra the extra part. The first line of a common Lem file is usually open import Pervasives or open import Pervasives_extra, which imports and opens either the main or the extra library.

5.2 Library documentation

For an overview of the Lem library, please generate the pdf-file tex-lib/lem-libs.pdf by running make tex-libs. If you are just interested in the interface, consider running lem -print_env library/pervasives_extra.lem.

6 Writing your own Lem files

Lem's syntax broadly follows OCaml syntax, while the libraries follow the Haskell libraries. Here, only a few selected points of Lem's syntax and its features are discussed. To learn more about its syntax, please have a look at the next section and at the file doc/lem.pdf. Another possibility is having a look at the Lem-library in the library-directory or at the tests in directory tests, especially tests/backends.

6.1 Header

6.1.1 Importing Library

A Lem file usually starts with importing the appropriate library. Without such an import, even very simple operations like boolean conjunction are not available. The user thus has the choice of either importing the main library or the extended library. The main library contains total, terminating functions that we believe are well-specified enough to be portable across all backends. All other functions are placed in the extended library.

The main library is imported by

open import Pervasives

and the extended one by

open import Pervasives_extra

6.1.2 Setting Module Name

Each Lem file defines a top-level module. A file with name mymodule.lem creates a Lem module Mymodule. By default this is also the name of the module for all backends. It is however possible (and sometimes necessary) to rename modules for backends. For example, Lem's library contains a file set.lem, which defines the Lem module Set. In order to avoid clashes with the existing HOL and Isabelle theories called set, it is however renamed to lem_set for these backends. This is done via the command

declare {isabelle;hol} rename module = lem_set

Notice that in contrast to renaming functions, no module name is used behind the keyword module. This causes the current module to be renamed. It is also possible to rename other modules. However, this should only be used for submodules defined in the same file as the renaming, because otherwise the module might have different names in different files referring to it.

6.1.3 Importing Modules

Lem provides dependency resolution, but only for explicitly imported modules. Using a statement like

import Mymodule

causes Lem to search for a file mymodule.lem in the current directory as well as in a list of given library directories. If such a file is found, it is automatically processed by Lem and it's contents are used to generate a Lem module Mymodule. Import statements do not need to, but are usually placed at the top of Lem files.

6.1.4 Opening / Including Modules

A function myfun from a module Mymod is usually accessible by Mymod.myfun. Lem allows explicitly opening modules via open Mymod. After such a statement myfun can be used instead of Mymod.myfun.

When using open Mymod inside a module Mymod2, it only affects the state inside this current module Mymod2. It does not change the outside view of Mymod2. If you want to be all functions Mymod.myfun also available as Mymod2.myfun, one can use include instead of open. Including is mostly useful for writing libraries.

Often one wants to import and open a module at the same time. Therefore open import Mymodule and include import Mymodule are hands for first importing and then opening / including a module. Similarly, Lem allows opening/including/importing multiple modules with just one statement.

6.2 Constant definitions

6.2.1 Simple definitions

A simple function definition is Lem is very similar to an OCaml top-level definition. It is of the form

```
let fun_name arg1 ... argn = rhs_exp
```

The arguments are allowed to be arbitrary Lem-patterns. The right-hand side an arbitrary expression that uses the variables bound by the arguments.

6.2.2 Target specific definitions

Sometimes you might want to use different definitions for different targets. In order to do that the functions needs to be introduced via a val-specification first:

```
val fun_name : type-scheme
```

After this specification multiple target-specific definitions of the form

```
let {target1; ...; targetn} fun_name arg1 ... argn = rhs_exp
```

```
or let \sim{target1; ...; targetn} fun_name arg1 ... argn = rhs_exp
```

are allowed. Thereby $\{\text{target1}; \ldots; \text{targetn}\}$ represents the set of the given targets, whereas \sim represents the set of all targets except the given ones. The targets intended to just typeset the Lem input file, i.e. the LaTeX and HTML do not require definitions and providing one does not change their behaviour. All other targets for which the function should be used, require a definition.

6.2.3 Inlining

Lem allows inlined constant definitions. These definitions are essentially macro expansions. For example consider an emptiness check for List.

```
let inline isEmptyList l = (l = [])
```

It is a simple, straightforward definition, that you might not want to generate special target definitions for. An inline definition allows using the function is EmptyList in Lem. It is also used in the HTML, Latex, Identity and Refactoring backends. All other backends replace it with the right hand side though. So, Lem would not define HOL4 function for is EmptyList, but replace every occurrence of it with the definition.

In order to allow this inlining, the definition has to be simple. Arguments are just allowed to be variables and inlined definition may not be recursive. Moreover, they may not have any type-class constraints attached.

If a val-specification is provided first, it is possible to inline constants only for certain targets and generate proper definitions for other targets. For this, syntax similar to the following example is used:

```
let inline {hol} isEmptyList l = (l = [])
```

6.2.4 Recursive Definitions

Lem allows to define recursive and even mutually recursive functions by using the keyword let rec. For example to define (stupidly) functions even and odd, one can use

```
let rec even (0:nat) = true
  and odd 0 = false
  and even (n + 1) = not (odd n)
  and odd (n + 1) = not (even n)
```

6.2.5 Termination Proofs

Recursive definitions require termination (or well-foundedness) proofs in the theorem prover backends. Isabelle and HOL4 are able to delay these proofs. The user has to fill in these proofs then, before using the defined functions. For simple functions like the ones in the example, this can be annoying. A termination_argument declaration can therefore be used to tell Isabelle and HOL to try automatic termination proofs. If multiple functions are defined in a single, mutually recursive definition, an automatic termination proof is only attempted, if automatic termination is declared for all defined functions.

```
declare {hol; isabelle} termination_argument even = automatic
declare {hol; isabelle} termination_argument odd = automatic
```

6.3 Type definitions

Note that when defining new types in Lem it may be necessary to instantiate some of the basic type classes, as described in the Type Classes section below.

6.4 Assertions / Lemmata / Theorems

Lem allows the user to write assertions, lemmata and theorems. These are named boolean expressions, which the user desires to be true. For the append function on lists, one could for example write:

```
assert append_test_1: [(2:nat); 3] ++ [4;5] = [2;3;4;5]
lemma append_spec: (forall 1. [] ++ 1 = 1) && (forall x xs ys. (x :: xs) ++ ys = x :: (xs ++ ys))
theorem append_empty: forall 1. 1 ++ [] = 1
```

Assertions should be executable. They are intended to be used for unit-testing your Lem specifications. For OCaml and HOL4 they generate executable tests.

Lemmata are non-executable properties. They are used to document properties that are non-executable. They can be used for documentation purposes to write down properties the user had in mind, when defining a function. They generate proof obligation in the auxiliary files. Therefore, they can also be used to express important high-level properties about the whole model, which the user wants to proof correct. Theorems are lemmata that the user wants to mark as important.

Writing assertions allows an easy way to unit-test specifications. Lemmata and theorems are beneficial for documentation purposes. The automated translation to Isabelle also allows to use Isabelle's sophisticated automation without knowing much about Isabelle. With that mechanism it is for example very easily possible to search for counter-examples.

6.5 Renaming

The naming conventions of our backends differ. Therefore, it might be beneficial to use different names depending on the backend. Renaming can also be used to avoid name clashes with existing backend functions or just to avoid confusion when similar names already are used for the backend. For example, there is already a HOL4 function symmetric. To avoid confusion with the Lem function isSymmetric the Lem one can easily be renamed:

```
declare {hol} rename function isSymmetric = lem_is_symmetric
```

Besides functions, it is also possible to rename types, fields and modules.

7 The Lem Language

7.1 Metavariables and Identifiers

```
indexvar n , i , j , k \{\{ \text{ Index variables for meta-lists } \}\}
                         {{ Numeric literal }}
metavar num
metavar string
                        {{ String literal }}
metavar backtick_string {{ String literal preceded by ' }}
metavar regexp
                         {{ Regular expresion, as a string literal }}
metavar 1
                         {{ Source location }}
metavar x
                         {{ Name }}
                         {{ Infix name }}
metavar ix
id ::= {{ Long identifers }}
 | x1 . .. xn . x 1
a ::= {{ Type variables }}
 | ' x
     Literals
lit ::= {{ Literal constants }}
  | true
  | false
  | num
  | hex
  | bin
  | string
  | ( )
7.3 Types
typ ::= {{ Types }}
                                        {{ Unspecified type }}
 ۱_
                                        {{ Type variables }}
  | a
  | typ1 -> typ2
                                        {{ Function types }}
  | typ1 * .... * typn
                                        {{ Tuple types }}
                                        {{ Type applications }}
  | id typ1 .. typn
  | backtick_string typ1 .. typn
                                        {{ Backend-Type applications }}
  | ( typ )
7.4 Patterns
pat ::= {{ Patterns }}
 Ι_
                                        {{ Wildcards }}
 | ( pat as x )
                                        {{ Named patterns }}
 | ( pat : typ )
                                        {{ Typed patterns }}
                                        {{ Single variable and constructor patterns }}
  | id pat1 .. patn
  | <| fpat1 ; ... ; fpatn semi_opt |> {{ Record patterns }}
  | ( pat1 , .... , patn )
                                        {{ Tuple patterns }}
```

```
| [ pat1 ; .. ; patn semi_opt ]
                                      {{ List patterns }}
  | ( pat )
  | pat1 :: pat2
                                      {{ Cons patterns }}
                                      {{ constant addition patterns }}
  | x + num
                                        {{ Literal constant patterns }}
  | lit
fpat ::= {{ Field patterns }}
 | id = pat 1
                     {{ Optional bars }}
bar_opt ::=
 | '|'
                    {{ Optional semi-colons }}
semi_opt ::=
 ١;
7.5
    Expressions
exp ::= {{ Expressions }}
 | id
                                                       {{ Identifiers }}
                                                       {{ identifier that should be literally used i
  | backtick_string
  | fun psexp
                                                       {{ Curried functions }}
  | function bar_opt pexp1 '|' ... '|' pexpn end
                                                       {{ Functions with pattern matching }}
                                                       {{ Function applications }}
  | exp1 exp2
  | exp1 ix exp2
                                                       {{ Infix applications }}
  | <| fexps |>
                                                       {{ Records }}
  | <| exp with fexps |>
                                                       {{ Functional update for records }}
                                                       {{ Field projection for records }}
  | exp . id
  | match exp with bar_opt pexp1 '|' ... '|' pexpn l end
                                                             {{ Pattern matching expressions }}
  | ( exp : typ )
                                                       {{ Type-annotated expressions }}
  | let letbind in exp
                                                       {{ Let expressions }}
                                                       {{ Tuples }}
  | ( exp1 , .... , expn )
  | [ exp1 ; .. ; expn semi_opt ]
                                                       {{ Lists }}
  | begin exp end
                                                       {{ Alternate syntax for (exp) }}
  | if exp1 then exp2 else exp3
                                                       {{ Conditionals }}
  | exp1 :: exp2
                                                     {{ Cons expressions }}
                                                       {{ Literal constants }}
  | { exp1 | exp2 }
                                                       {{ Set comprehensions }}
                                                       {{ Set comprehensions with explicit binding }
  | { exp1 | forall qbind1 .. qbindn | exp2 }
  | { exp1 ; .. ; expn semi_opt }
                                                       {{ Sets }}
  | q qbind1 ... qbindn . exp
                                                      {{ Logical quantifications }}
  | [ exp1 | forall qbind1 .. qbindn | exp2 ]
                                                      {{ List comprehensions (all binders must be q
  | do id pat1 <- exp1 ; .. patn <- expn ; in exp end {{ Do notation for monads }}
q ::= {{ Quantifiers }}
  | forall
  | exists
qbind ::= {{ Bindings for quantifiers}}
  | ( pat IN exp )
                                                      {{ Restricted quantifications over sets}}
  | ( pat MEM exp )
                                                        {{ Restricted quantifications over lists }}
fexp ::= {{ Field-expressions }}
```

```
| id = exp 1
fexps ::= {{ Field-expression lists }}
  | fexp1 ; ... ; fexpn semi_opt l
pexp ::= {{ Pattern matches }}
 | pat -> exp 1
psexp ::= {{ Multi-pattern matches }}
  | pat1 ... patn -> exp 1
tannot_opt ::= {{ Optional type annotations }}
  | : typ
funcl ::= {{ Function clauses }}
  | x pat1 ... patn tannot_opt = exp
letbind ::= {{ Let bindings }}
                               {{ Value bindings }}
  | pat tannot_opt = exp
  | funcl
                                {{ Function bindings }}
     Inductive Relation Definitions
name_t ::= {{ Name or name with type for inductively defined relation clauses }}
 | x
  | ( x : typ )
name_ts ::= {{ Names with optional types for inductively defined relation clauses }}
  | name_t0 .. name_tn
rule ::= {{ Inductively defined relation clauses }}
  | x : forall name_t1 .. name_ti . exp ==> x1 exp1 .. expn
witness_opt ::= {{ Optional witness type name declaration. Must be present for a witness type to be
 | witness type x ;
check_opt ::= {{ Option check name declaration }}
  | check x ;
functions_opt ::= {{ Optional names and types for functions to be generated. Types should use only
  | x : typ
 | x : typ ; functions_opt
indreln_name ::= {{ Name for inductively defined relation }}
  [ x : typschm witness_opt check_opt functions_opt ]
7.7
     Type Definitions
         {{ Type lists }}
typs ::=
 | typ1 * ... * typn
ctor_def ::= {{ Datatype definition clauses }}
  | x of typs
```

```
{{ Constant constructors }}
  | x
texp ::= {{ Type definition bodies }}
                                                         {{ Type abbreviations }}
  | <| x1 : typ1 ; ... ; xn : typn semi_opt |>
                                                         {{ Record types }}
  | bar_opt ctor_def1 '', ... '', ctor_defn
                                                         {{ Variant types }}
name_opt ::= {{ Optional name specification for variables of defined type }}
  | [ name = regexp ]
td ::= {{ Type definitions }}
  | x tnvars name_opt = texp
  | x tnvars name_opt
                                                         {{ Definitions of opaque types }}
7.8 Type Schemes
c ::= {{ Typeclass constraints }}
  | id tnvar
cs ::= {{ Typeclass constraint lists }}
  | c1 , .. , ci =>
                                                                 {{ Must have >0 constraints }}
c_pre ::= {{ Type and instance scheme prefixes }}
  | forall tnvar1 .. tnvarn . cs
                                                                 {{ Must have >0 type variables }}
typschm ::=
               {{ Type schemes }}
  l c_pre typ
instschm ::= {{ Instance schemes }}
  | c_pre ( id typ )
7.9
     Target Descriptions
target ::= {{ Backend target names }}
  | hol
  | isabelle
  | ocaml
  | coq
  | tex
  | html
  | lem
targets ::= {{ Backend target name lists }}
 | { target1 ; .. ; targetn }
  | ~{ target1 ; .. ; targetn }
                                               {{ all targets except the listed ones }}
targets_opt ::= {{ Optional targets }}
  | targets
7.10 Import, Open, and Include
{\tt open\_import} \ ::= \ \{\{ \ {\tt Open} \ {\tt or} \ {\tt import} \ {\tt statements} \ \}\}
```

```
| open
| import
| open import
| include
| include import
```

7.11 Lemmas, Assertions, and Theorems

```
lemma_typ ::= {{ Types of Lemmata }}
  | assert
  | lemma
  | theorem

lemma_decl ::= {{ Lemmata and Tests }}
  | lemma_typ targets_opt x : exp
```

7.12 Unused?

```
dexp ::= {{ declaration field-expressions }}
  | name_s = string l
  | format = string l
  | arguments = exp1 ... expn l
  | targuments = texp1 ... texpn l

declare_arg ::= {{ arguments to a declaration }}
  | string
  | <| dexp1 ; ... ; dexpn semi_opt l |>
```

7.13 Target Representation Declarations

```
component ::= {{ components }}
 | module
  | function
  | type
  | field
termination_setting ::= {{ termination settings }}
  | automatic
  | manual
exhaustivity_setting ::= {{ exhaustivity settings }}
  | exhaustive
  | inexhaustive
elim_opt ::= {{ optional terms used as eliminators for pattern matching }}
 | id
fixity_decl ::= {{ fixity declarations for infix identifiers }}
 | right_assoc nat
 | left_assoc nat
 | non_assoc nat
target_rep_rhs ::= {{ right hand side of a target representation declaration }}
  | infix fixity_decl backtick_string
```

```
| exp
  | typ
  | special string exp1 ... expn
target_rep_lhs ::= {{ left hand side of a target representation declaration }}
  | target_rep component id x1 .. xn
  | target_rep component id tnvars
declare_def ::= {{ declarations }}
  | declare targets_opt compile_message id = string
                                                                      {{ compile_message_decl
  | declare targets_opt rename module = x
                                                                      {{ rename_current_module_decl
  | declare targets_opt rename component id = x
                                                                      {{ rename_decl
  | declare targets_opt ascii_rep component id = backtick_string
                                                                      {{ ascii_rep_decl
  | declare target target_rep target_rep_lhs = target_rep_rhs
                                                                      {{ target_rep_decl
  | declare set_flag x1 = x2
                                                                      {{ set_flag_decl
  | declare targets_opt termination_argument id = termination_setting {{ termination_argument_decl
  | declare targets_opt pattern_match exhaustivity_setting id tnvars = [ id1 ; ... ; idn semi_opt ]
7.14
      Value Definitions
val_def ::= {{ Value definitions }}
  | let targets_opt letbind
                                                       {{ Non-recursive value definitions }}
  | let rec targets_opt funcl1 and ... and funcln
                                                       {{ Recursive function definitions }}
  | let inline targets_opt letbind
                                                       {{ Function definitions to be inlined }}
  | let lem_transform targets_opt letbind
                                                       {{ Function definitions to be transformed }}
ascii_opt ::= {{ an optional ascii representation }}
  | [ backtick_string ]
      Class and Instance Declarations
instance_decl ::= {{ is it an instance or the default instance? }}
  | instance
  | default_instance
class_decl ::= {{ is a class an inlined one? }}
  l class
  | class inline
7.16 Value Type Specifications
val_spec ::= {{ Value type specifications }}
  | val x ascii_opt : typschm
7.17 Top-level Definitions
semisemi_opt ::= {{ Optional double-semi-colon }}
 | ;;
def ::= {{ Top-level definitions }}
  | type td1 and ... and tdn
                                                               {{ Type definitions }}
  | val_spec
                                                               {{ Top-level type constraints }}
```

```
| val_def
                                                                 {{ Value definitions }}
  | lemma_decl
                                                                 {{ Lemmata }}
  | module x = struct defs end
                                                                 {{ Module definitions }}
  | module x = id
                                                                 {{ Module renamings }}
                                                                 {{ importing and/or opening modules
  | open_import id1 ... idn
  | open_import targets_opt backtick_string1 ... backtick_stringn
       {{ importing and/or opening only for a target / it does not influence the Lem state }}
  | indreln targets_opt indreln_name1 and ... and indreln_namei rule1 and ... and rulen
       {{ Inductively defined relations }}
  | class_decl ( x tnvar ) val targets_opt1 x1 ascii_opt1 : typ1 l1 ... val targets_optn xn ascii_op
       {{ Typeclass definitions }}
  | instance_decl instschm val_def1 l1 ... val_defn ln end
       {{ Typeclass instantiations }}
  | declare_def
                                                                 {{ modify Lem behaviour }}
defs ::= {{ Definition sequences }}
  | def1 semisemi_opt1 .. defn semisemi_optn
```

8 Linking to existing Backend Libraries

Lem allows one to use existing backend libraries from your Lem-development. This is done by target-specific imports and target-specific representations.

8.1 Target specific imports

Before using an existing target library, it usually needs to be loaded. There are target-specific open, import and include statements that allow instructing Lem to generate output that loads an existing backend library. These statements are very similar to the corresponding statements for Lem modules. However, they allow specifying targets and the modules are quoted. While - generalising the Lem staments - many possible combinations are allowed, in practice only open import statements are used.

As an example, consider Lem's relation library. Some of its existing definitions should be mapped to HOL functions defined in the HOL4 theory set_relation. To load this theory for HOL, Lem's relation library contains the statement

```
open import {hol} 'set_relationTheory'
```

8.2 Simple Target Representations

A target_rep declaration allows specifing which *existing* target function should be used for a Lem-specific one. The boolean conjunction operator is for example mapped as follows

```
val not : bool -> bool
let not b = match b with
  | true -> false
  | false -> true
end
declare ocaml
                 target_rep function not = 'not'
                 target_rep function not x = '~' x
declare hol
declare isabelle target_rep function not x = '\cnot>' x
declare coq
                target_rep function not = 'negb'
declare html
                target_rep function not = '¬'
                 target_rep function not b = '$\neg$' b
declare tex
```

- definition + target rep useful for documentation
- however, only val-spec + target rep needed
- definition gets turned into lemma when target-rep is present
- rhs of target_reps can be expression containing quotations
- if arguments are given, they have to be variables
- if not all arguments are present, eta-expansion is used
- eta-expansion necessary sometimes, see not for Isabelle and HOL

8.3 Target Representations of Types

```
type map 'k 'v
declare ocaml target_rep type map = 'Pmap.map'
declare isabelle target_rep type map = 'Map.map'
declare hol target_rep type map = 'fmap'
declare coq target_rep type map = 'fmap'
```

8.4 Infix Operations

```
val (&&) ['and'] : bool -> bool -> bool
let (\&\&) b1 b2 = match (b1, b2) with
  | (true, true) -> true
    _ -> false
  end
declare hol
                 target_rep function (&&) = infix '/\'
                 target_rep function (&&) = infix '&&'
declare ocaml
declare isabelle target_rep function (&&) = infix '\<and>'
                 target_rep function (&&) = infix '&&'
declare coq
                 target_rep function (&&) = infix '∧'
declare html
                 target_rep function (&&) = infix '$\wedge$'
declare tex
```

8.5 Special Target Representations

```
class ( NumPow 'a )
  val ( ** ) ['numPow'] : 'a -> nat -> 'a
end
declare tex target_rep function numPow n m = special "{%e}^{%e}" n m
```

9 Type classes

9.1 Type class for Equality

The Lem equality is translated using the type class Eq, defined in library/basic_classes.lem, with operations = (isEqual) and <> (isInequal) for equality and inequality.

For HOL and Isabelle, this is always mapped to their standard equalities.

However, for OCaml, the default mapping to OCaml equality is not always appropriate, and if a Lem development uses equality at any types at which it is not, the user must provide a suitable instantiation for type class Eq. For example, one needs to instantiate Eq for any inductively defined types that make use of natural (mapped to OCaml big integers) or sets or maps, or (recursively) any other types that do.

9.2 Type classes for Sets and Maps

Sets and Maps require comparison operations in OCaml and Coq. This is provided via type classes SetType and MapType, introduced in library/basic_classes.lem; the former has a single method setElemCompare. The default OCaml instantiation of SetType is with OCaml's compare, but if the user constructs sets of types containing any tuples, records, or user-defined inductive types, those types must also have an instance declaration for SetType with a suitable comparison function. If this is omitted, the default will be used and there may be a run-time error as the equality test will be incorrect. MapType uses SetType as default implementation.

For example, for a simple inductive type:

```
type memory_order = Atomic | NA
```

one can make it an instance of SetType as follows, as here the default OCaml compare and the theorem prover equalities will be correct.

```
instance (SetType memory_order)
  let setElemCompare = defaultCompare
end
```

For a more complex inductive type such as the following, with recursion through a set and pair constructor:

```
type tree 'a =
   | Node of set ('a * tree 'a)
```

one can define an equality function making use of the underlying setCompareBy comparison on sets:

```
val treeCompare : forall 'a .
  ('a -> 'a -> ordering) -> (tree 'a) -> (tree 'a) -> ordering
let rec treeCompare cmpa (Node xs) (Node ys) =
  setCompareBy (pairCompare cmpa (treeCompare cmpa)) xs ys
```

and make the tree type constructor instantiate SetType as follows:

```
instance forall 'a. SetType 'a => (SetType (tree 'a))
  let setElemCompare = treeCompare setElemCompare
end
```

Tuple types up to a certain size are made an instance of SetType in basic_classes.lem; if one uses sets or maps of wider tuples, they must also be made instances following the same pattern, otherwise Lem will generate incorrect code.

9.3 Other Standard Library Type Classes

The standard library defines several other type classes. In library/basic_classes.lem we have, in addition to Eq and SetType:

- Ord for total linear orders with comparison operations
- OrdMaxMin extending Ord with max and min

In map.lem we have MapKeyType.

In num.lem there are various numeric types and type classes for the operations that they each may or may not support:

- NumNegate
- NumAdd
- NumMinus
- NumMult
- NumPow
- NumDivision
- NumIntegerDivision
- NumRemainder
- NumSucc
- NumPred

In word.lem there is a type class Word of machine words, bitwise logical operations, and conversions to and from lists of booleans.

10 Refactoring

- backend lem used for refactoring
- use command-line option -lem
- file myfile.lem translated to myfile-processed.lem
- ullet compare files, modify myfile-processed.lem, when ready rename back to myfile.lem

10.1 Types

```
declare {lem} rename type nat = NAT
declare lem target_rep type set 'a = 'SET' 'a 'a
```

10.2 Functions / Fields

```
declare {lem} rename function my_fun = my_fun'
declare lem target_rep function my_fun x y z = 'my_fun' (x, y) true z
```

Also possible lem_transform. However, better use declare lem target_rep instead of lem_transform. TODO: remove lem_transform

let lem_transform my_fun x y z = other_existing_function y z

10.3 Modules

declare {lem} rename module my_mod = my_mod_new_name