# Free Logic and Category Theory in Isabelle/HOL: Experiments

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#### Abstract

An embedding of free logic in classical higher-order logic is presented which has been formalized in Isabelle/HOL. Subsequently this work has been utilized as a foundation for the formalization of Peter Freyd's axiomatic category theory in Isabelle/HOL. Experiments with automated theorem provers integrated with Isabelle/HOL have been carried out, which revealed a previously unknown redundancy in Freyd's axiom system.

### 1 Free Logic

Motivated by problems and shortcomings in the handling of improper descriptions in the works of Russel, Frege and Hilbert-Bernays, the second author has proposed an alternative solution in his 1967 paper *Existence and Description in Formal Logic* [1].

# 2 Free Logic in HOL

In this section We present an embedding of the second authors *Free Logic* in Isabelle/HOL.

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type-synonym \sigma = bool — the type for Booleans consts f-A :: 'a \Rightarrow \sigma (A) consts f-star :: 'a (\star)
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axiomatization where \textit{f-star-axiom}:  $\neg \mathcal{A}(\star)$ 

Negation and implication in free logic are mapped to negation in HOl.

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abbreviation f-not :: \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma \ (\neg - [58] \ 59) where \neg \varphi \equiv \neg \varphi abbreviation f-implies :: \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma \ (\text{infixr} \rightarrow 49)
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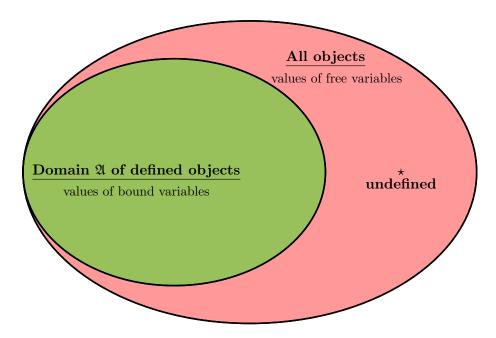


Figure 1: Scott's Free Logic

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where \varphi \rightarrow \psi \equiv \varphi \longrightarrow \psi
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Universal quantification in free logic is restricted to the domain of existing objects

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abbreviation f-all :: ('a \Rightarrow \sigma) \Rightarrow \sigma \ (\forall)
 where \forall \Phi \equiv \forall x. \ \mathcal{A}(x) \longrightarrow \Phi(x)
abbreviation f-all-bind :: ('a \Rightarrow \sigma) \Rightarrow \sigma (binder \forall [8] 9)
 where \forall x. \ \varphi(x) \equiv \forall \varphi
abbreviation f-that :: ('a \Rightarrow \sigma) \Rightarrow 'a (I)
 where I \Phi \equiv if \exists x. \ \mathcal{A}(x) \land \Phi(x) \land (\forall y. \ (\mathcal{A}(y) \land \Phi(y)) \longrightarrow (y = x))
                       then THE x. A(x) \wedge \Phi(x)
                       else \star
abbreviation f-that-b :: ('a \Rightarrow \sigma) \Rightarrow 'a (binder I [8] 9)
 where \mathbf{I}x. \varphi(x) \equiv \mathbf{I}(\varphi)
abbreviation f-or :: \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma (infixr \vee 51)
 where \varphi \lor \psi \equiv (\neg \varphi) \rightarrow \psi
abbreviation f-and :: \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma (infixr \land 52)
 where \varphi \wedge \psi \equiv \neg (\neg \varphi \vee \neg \psi)
abbreviation f-equiv :: \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma (infixr \leftrightarrow 50)
 where \varphi \leftrightarrow \psi \equiv (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \land (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)
abbreviation f-equals :: 'a \Rightarrow 'a \Rightarrow \sigma (infixr = 56)
 where x=y \equiv x=y
abbreviation f-exi :: ('a \Rightarrow \sigma) \Rightarrow \sigma (\exists)
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where \exists \Phi \equiv \neg \forall (\lambda y. \neg (\Phi y))
abbreviation f-exi-b :: ('a \Rightarrow \sigma) \Rightarrow \sigma (binder \exists [8]9)
where \exists x. \varphi(x) \equiv \exists \varphi
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       Some Introductory Tests
— See Scott, Existence and Description in Formal Logic, 1967, pages 183-184
typedecl \iota
                                  — the type for indiviuals
consts f-r :: \iota \Rightarrow \iota \Rightarrow \sigma \text{ (infixr r } \gamma \theta)
lemma x \mathbf{r} x \to x \mathbf{r} x by simp
lemma \exists y. y \mathbf{r} y \rightarrow y \mathbf{r} y nitpick oops
lemma (x \mathbf{r} x \to x \mathbf{r} x) \to (\exists y. y \mathbf{r} y \to y \mathbf{r} y) nitpick oops
lemma ((x \mathbf{r} x \to x \mathbf{r} x) \land (\exists y :: \iota. y = y)) \to (\exists y. y \mathbf{r} y \to y \mathbf{r} y) by simp
— See Scott 1967, page 185
lemma S1-inst: (\forall x. \ \Phi(x) \to \Psi(x)) \to ((\forall x. \ \Phi(x)) \to (\forall x. \ \Psi(x))) by auto
                     \forall y. \exists x. x = y \text{ by } auto
lemma S2:
lemma S3:
                        \alpha = \alpha by auto
lemma S4-inst : (\Phi(\alpha) \land (\alpha = \beta)) \rightarrow \Phi(\beta) by auto
lemma UI-inst : ((\forall x. \ \Phi(x)) \land (\exists x. \ x = \alpha)) \rightarrow \Phi(\alpha) by auto
lemma UI\text{-}test: (\forall x. \ \Phi(x)) \rightarrow \Phi(\alpha) \text{ nitpick } [user\text{-}axioms] \text{ oops } -- Counter-
model
lemma UI-cor1 : \forall y.((\forall x. \Phi(x)) \rightarrow \Phi(y)) by auto
lemma UI-cor2: \forall y.((\forall x. \neg (x = y)) \rightarrow \neg (y = y)) by auto
lemma UI-cor3: \forall y.((y = y) \rightarrow (\exists x. \ x = y)) by auto
lemma UI-cor\not: (\forall y. y = y) \rightarrow (\forall y. \exists x. x = y) by simp
lemma (\exists x. \ x = \alpha) \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}(\alpha) by simp
lemma I1-inst : \forall y. ((y = (\mathbf{I}x. \ \Phi(x))) \leftrightarrow (\forall x. ((x = y) \leftrightarrow \Phi(x)))) by (smt
f-star-axiom the-equality)
abbreviation star(\bigotimes) where \bigotimes \equiv \mathbf{I}y. \neg (y = y)
lemma test : \bigotimes = \star by simp
lemma 12-inst: \neg(\exists y. y = (\mathbf{I}x. \Phi(x))) \rightarrow (\bigotimes = (\mathbf{I}x. \Phi(x))) by (metis (no-types,
lifting) the-equality)
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the1-equality)
lemma I3: (\bigotimes = \alpha \vee \bigotimes = \beta) \rightarrow \neg(\alpha \mathbf{r} \beta) \text{ nitpick } [user-axioms] \text{ oops}
\mathbf{lemma}\ \mathit{Russel-inst}:
 ((\bigotimes = \alpha \lor \bigotimes = \beta) \to \neg(\alpha \mathbf{r} \beta))
  ((\alpha \mathbf{r} (\mathbf{I}x. \Phi(x))) \leftrightarrow (\exists y. ((\forall x. ((x = y) \leftrightarrow \Phi(x))) \land (\alpha \mathbf{r} y))))
nitpick [user-axioms] oops
lemma \neg(\exists x. (x = (\mathbf{I}y. \neg (y = y)))) using f-star-axiom by auto
lemma (\exists x. \ x = a) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(a) by simp
consts ca::'a \ cb::'a
axiomatization where ax1: A(ca) \land A(cb) \land \neg (ca = cb) \land \neg (ca = \bigotimes) \land \neg
lemma test2: \bigotimes = (\mathbf{I} (\lambda x. \ x = ca \lor x = cb)) by (metis \ ax1)
theory Freyd imports FreeHOL
begin
typedecl e — raw type of morphisms
abbreviation Definedness :: e \Rightarrow bool (D-[8]60)
 where D x \equiv A x
abbreviation OrdinaryEquality :: e \Rightarrow e \Rightarrow bool (infix\approx 60)
 where x \approx y \equiv ((D \ x) \leftrightarrow (D \ y)) \land x = y
consts source :: e \Rightarrow e \ (\Box - [108]109)
        target :: e \Rightarrow e (-\Box [110]111)
        composition :: e \Rightarrow e \Rightarrow e (infix · 110)
axiomatization FreydsAxioms where
 A1: (D x \cdot y) \leftrightarrow ((x \square) \approx (\square y)) and
 A2b: \Box(x\Box) \approx \Box x and
 A3a: (\Box x) \cdot x \approx x and
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lemma Ext-inst :  $(\forall x. \ \Phi(x) \leftrightarrow \Psi(x)) \rightarrow ((\mathbf{I}x. \ \Phi(x)) = (\mathbf{I}x. \ \Psi(x)))$  by (smt

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A3b: x \cdot (x \square) \approx x and
 A \not = a : \Box(x \cdot y) \approx \Box(x \cdot (\Box y)) and
 A4b: (x \cdot y) \square \approx ((x \square) \cdot y) \square and
 A5: x \cdot (y \cdot z) \approx (x \cdot y) \cdot z
lemma L1: (\Box\Box x)\cdot((\Box x)\cdot x)\approx((\Box\Box x)\cdot(\Box x))\cdot x using A5 by metis
lemma L2: (\Box\Box x)\cdot x \approx ((\Box\Box x)\cdot (\Box x))\cdot x
                                                                     using L1 A3a by metis
                                                                  using L2 A3a by metis
lemma L3: (\Box \Box x) \cdot x \approx (\Box x) \cdot x
lemma L4: (\Box\Box x) \cdot x \approx x
                                                                using L3 A3a by metis
lemma L5: \Box((\Box\Box x)\cdot x) \approx \Box((\Box\Box x)\cdot (\Box x))
                                                                       using A \not = a by auto
lemma L6: \Box((\Box\Box x)\cdot x) \approx \Box\Box x
                                                                   using L5 A3a by metis
lemma L7: \Box\Box(x\Box) \approx \Box(\Box\Box(x\Box))\cdot(x\Box)
                                                                      using L6 by auto
lemma L8: \Box\Box(x\Box) \approx \Box(x\Box)
                                                                 using L4 L7 by metis
lemma L9: \Box\Box(x\Box) \approx \Box x
                                                                 using A2b L8 by metis
lemma L10: \Box\Box x \approx \Box x
                                                                using A2b L9 by metis
lemma L11: \Box\Box((\Box x)\Box) \approx \Box\Box(x\Box)
                                                                     using A2b L10 by metis
lemma L12: \Box\Box((\Box x)\Box) \approx \Box x
                                                                   using L11 L9 by metis
lemma L13: (\Box\Box((\Box x)\Box))\cdot((\Box x)\Box) \approx ((\Box x)\Box) using L4 by auto
lemma L14: (\Box x) \cdot ((\Box x) \Box) \approx (\Box x) \Box
                                                                    using L12 L13 by metis
lemma LM10: (\Box x)\Box \approx (\Box x) \cdot ((\Box x)\Box)
                                                                      using L14 by auto
lemma A2a: (\Box x)\Box \approx \Box x
                                                                using A3b LM10 by metis
abbreviation DirectedEquality :: e \Rightarrow e \Rightarrow bool (infix \gtrsim 60)
 where x \gtrsim y \equiv ((D \ x) \rightarrow (D \ y)) \land x = y
lemma L1-13: ((\Box(x\cdot y)) \approx (\Box(x\cdot (\Box y)))) \leftrightarrow ((\Box(x\cdot y)) \gtrsim \Box x)
by (metis A1 A2a A3a)
lemma (\exists x. \ e \approx (\Box x)) \leftrightarrow (\exists x. \ e \approx (x\Box))
by (metis A1 A2b A3b)
lemma (\exists x. e \approx (x\Box)) \leftrightarrow e \approx (\Box e)
by (metis A1 A2b A3a A3b)
lemma e \approx (\Box e) \leftrightarrow e \approx (e\Box)
 by (metis A1 A2b A3a A3b A4a)
lemma e \approx (e\Box) \leftrightarrow (\forall x. \ e \cdot x \gtrsim x)
 by (metis A1 A2b A3a A3b A4a)
lemma (\forall x. \ e \cdot x \gtrsim x) \leftrightarrow (\forall x. \ x \cdot e \gtrsim x)
by (metis A1 A2b A3a A3b)
abbreviation IdentityMorphism :: e \Rightarrow bool (IdM- [8]60) where IdM x \equiv x \approx
lemma (IdM\ e \leftrightarrow (\exists x.\ e \approx (\Box x))) \land
        (IdM\ e \leftrightarrow (\exists x.\ e \approx (x\square))) \land
        (IdM\ e \leftrightarrow e \approx (\Box e)) \land
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 \begin{array}{c} (\mathit{IdM}\ e \leftrightarrow e \approx (e\square)) \land \\ (\mathit{IdM}\ e \leftrightarrow (\forall \, x.\ e{\cdot}x \gtrapprox x)) \land \\ (\mathit{IdM}\ e \leftrightarrow (\forall \, x.\ x{\cdot}e \gtrapprox x)) \\ \text{by } (\mathit{smt}\ A1\ A2a\ A3a\ A3b) \\ \text{end} \end{array}
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