

# Proof Reconstruction in Classical Propositional Logic

(Work in Progress)

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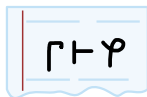
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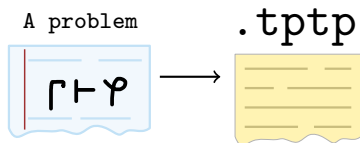
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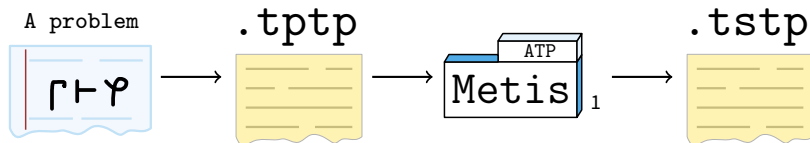
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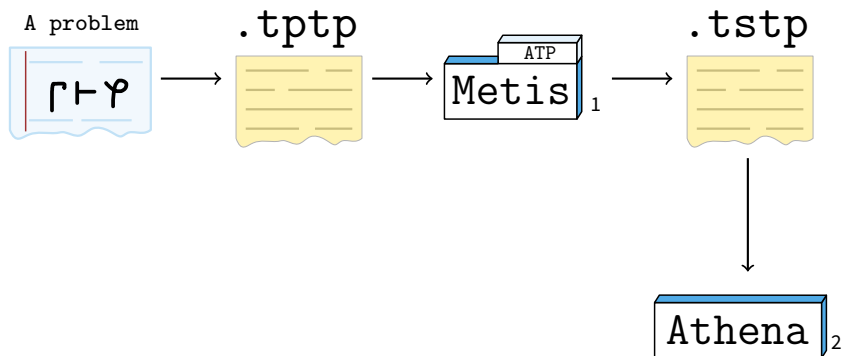




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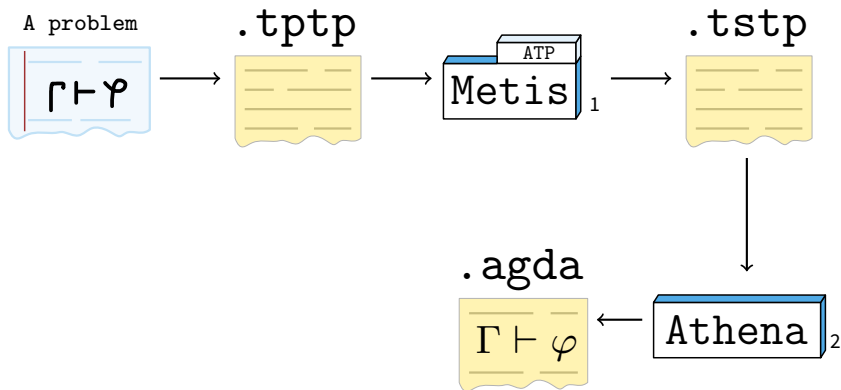


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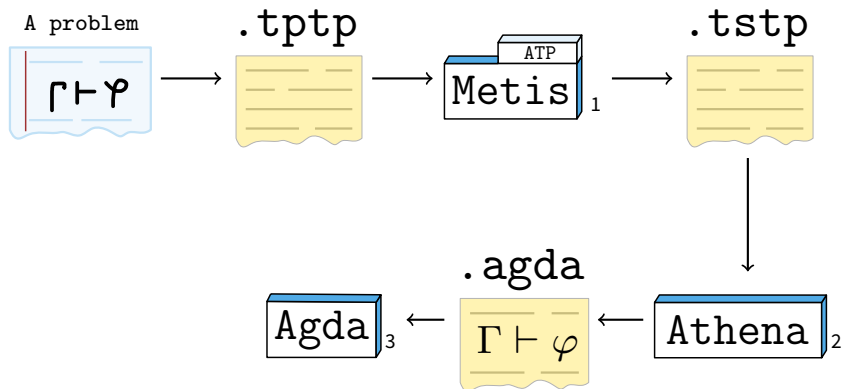
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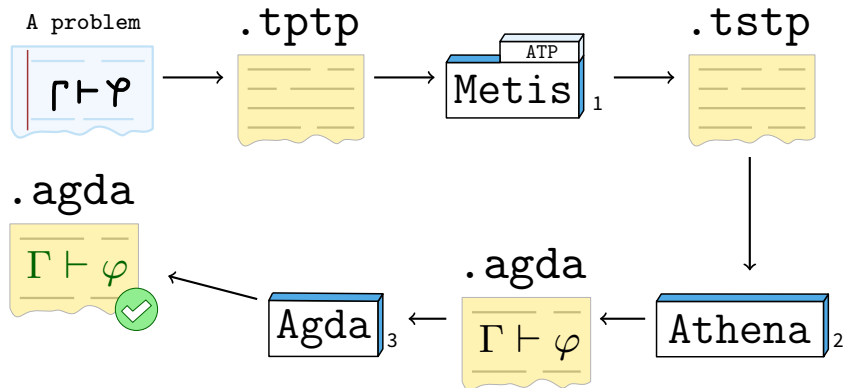


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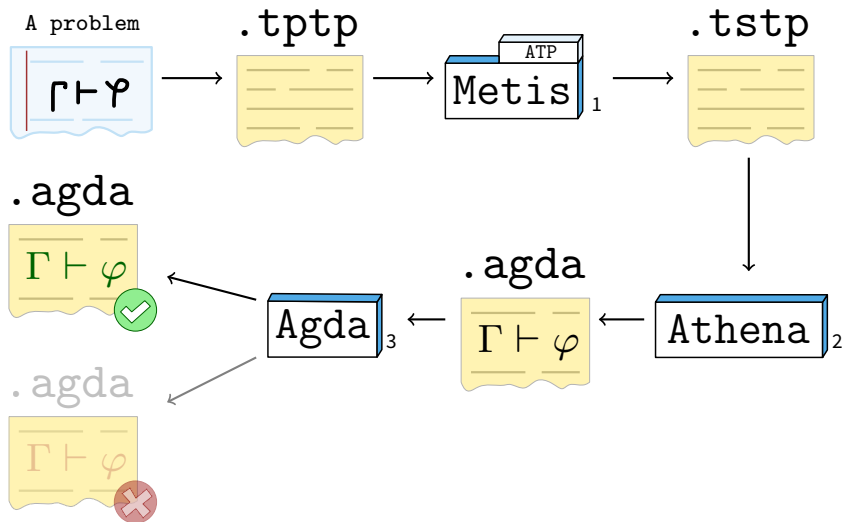




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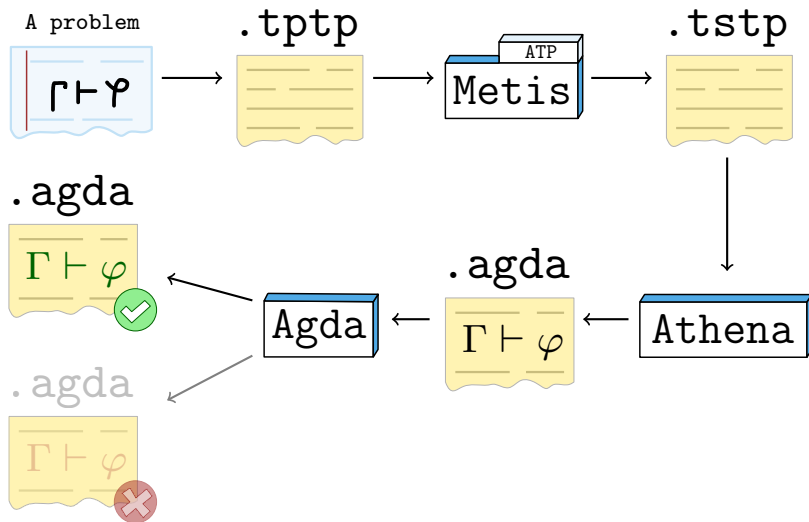
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.tptp



- ▶ Is a language<sup>4</sup> 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** version in TPTP format

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

►  $p \vdash p$

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

►  $\vdash \neg(p \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge \neg q)$

```
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

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<sup>5</sup><http://www.gilith.com/software/metis/>

TSTP derivations by Metis exhibit these inferences<sup>6</sup>

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

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<sup>6</sup>Inference rules found in proofs of Propositional Logic theorems

.tstp



## A TSTP derivation<sup>7</sup>

- ▶ 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

```
inference(rule, useful info, parents)
```

<sup>7</sup><http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/TPTP/QuickGuide/Derivations.html>



- Proof found by Metis Prover 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  $p \vdash p$ :

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{p}{\text{assume}} \\
 \frac{p}{\text{strip}} \\
 \frac{p}{\neg p} \text{negate} \qquad \frac{p}{p} \text{canonicalize} \\
 \hline
 \frac{\neg p \quad p}{\perp} \text{simplify} \\
 \frac{\perp}{\perp} \text{canonicalize}
 \end{array}$$

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

- ▶ Parsing of TSTP language
- ▶ Creation 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 <b>Metis</b>

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<sup>8</sup><http://github.com/jonaprieto/athena>

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

```
data Prop : Set where
  Var    : Fin n → Prop           -- Variables.
  T      : Prop                   -- Top (truth).
  ⊥      : Prop                   -- Bottom (falsum).
  _∧_    : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop   -- Conjunction.
  _∨_    : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop   -- Disjunction.
  _⇒_    : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop   -- Implication.
  _⇔_    : (φ ψ : Prop) → Prop   -- Biimplication.
  ¬_     : (φ : Prop) → Prop      -- Negation.
```

<sup>9</sup><https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-prop>

- ▶ A data type for theorems

```
data _⊢_ : (Γ : Ctxt) (φ : Prop) → Set
```

- ▶ Constructors

```
assume, axiom, weaken, ⊤-intro, ⊥-elim, ¬-intro,
¬-elim, ∧-intro, ∧-proj1, ∧-proj2, ∨-intro1,
∨-intro2, ∨-elim, ⇒-intro, ⇒-elim, ⇔-intro,
⇔-elim1, ⇔-elim2.
```

- ▶ Natural deduction proofs for more than 71 theorems

```
⇔-equiv, ⇔-assoc, ⇔-comm, ⇒-⇔-¬∨, ⇔-¬-to-¬,
¬⇔-to-¬, ¬¬-equiv, ⇒-⇔-∧⇒, ⇔-trans, ∧-assoc,
∧-comm, ∧-dist, ¬∧-to-¬∨, ¬∨¬-to-¬∧, ¬∨¬-⇔-¬∧,
subst⊢∧1, subst⊢∧2, ∨-assoc, ∨-comm, ∨-dist,
∨-equiv, ¬∨-to-¬∧, ¬∧¬-to-¬∨, ∨-dmorgan,
¬∨¬¬-to-∨, cnf, nnf, dnf, RAA, ...
```

<sup>10</sup><https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-prop>

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

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<sup>11</sup><https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-metis>

## ► Definition

$$\text{conjunct}(\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge \phi_i \wedge \cdots \wedge \phi_n, \phi_i) \longrightarrow \phi_i$$

## ► Function<sup>12</sup>:

```
conjunct : Prop → Prop → Prop
conjunct (φ ∧ ψ) ω with [ eq φ ω ] | [ eq ψ ω ]
... | true   |      = φ
... | false  | true  = ψ
... | false  | false = conjunct φ ω
conjunct φ ω      = φ
```

## ► Theorem<sup>12</sup>

```
atp-conjunct
  : ∀ {Γ} {φ}
  → (ω : Prop)
  → Γ ⊢ φ
  → Γ ⊢ conjunct φ ω
```

<sup>12</sup>Excerpt from the Agda-Metis library available in `ATP.Metis.Rules.Conjunct` module

<sup>13</sup><https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-metis>

```
atp-conjunct
  :  $\forall \{\Gamma\} \{\varphi\}$ 
   $\rightarrow (\omega : \mathbf{Prop})$ 
   $\rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi$ 
   $\rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \mathbf{conjunct} \ \varphi \ \omega$ 

atp-conjunct  $\{\Gamma\} \{\varphi \wedge \psi\} \ \omega \ \Gamma \vdash \varphi$ 
  with | eq  $\varphi \ \omega$  | | | eq  $\psi \ \omega$  |
... | true |  $\_$  =  $\wedge$ -proj1  $\Gamma \vdash \varphi$ 
... | false | true =  $\wedge$ -proj2  $\Gamma \vdash \varphi$ 
... | false | false =
  atp-conjunct  $\{\Gamma = \Gamma\} \{\varphi = \varphi\} \ \omega \ (\wedge\text{-proj}_1 \ \Gamma \vdash \varphi)$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\mathbf{Var} \ x\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\top\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\perp\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\varphi \vee \psi\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\varphi \Rightarrow \psi\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\varphi \Leftrightarrow \psi\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
atp-conjunct  $\{\_ \} \{\neg \varphi\} \ \_ = \mathbf{id}$ 
```



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

```
fof(a, axiom, p & q).  
fof(goal, conjecture, q & p).
```

- ▶ A natural deduction proof

$$\frac{\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\phi} \wedge\text{-proj}_1 \quad \frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\psi} \wedge\text{-proj}_2}{\psi \wedge \phi} \wedge\text{-intro}$$



```

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, ~ (q => p),
    inference(negate, [], [subgoal_1])).
fof(normalize_1_0, plain, ~ p & q,

```

```
    inference(canonicalize, [], [negate_1_0])).  
fof(normalize_1_1, plain, p & q,  
    inference(canonicalize, [], [a])).  
fof(normalize_1_2, plain, p,  
    inference(conjunct, [], [normalize_1_1])).  
fof(normalize_1_3, plain, q,  
    inference(conjunct, [], [normalize_1_1])).  
fof(normalize_1_4, plain, $false,  
    inference(simplify, [],  
        [normalize_1_0, normalize_1_2, normalize_1_3])).  
cnf(refute_1_0, plain, ($false),  
    inference(canonicalize, [], [normalize_1_4])).
```

```
p, q, a, goal, subgoal0, subgoal1 : Prop

-- Axiom.

a = (p ∧ q)

-- Premise.

Γ : Ctxt
Γ = [ a ]

-- Conjecture.

goal = (q ∧ p)

-- Subgoals.

subgoal0 = q
subgoal1 = (q ⇒ p)
```

```
a : Prop
a = (p ∧ q)

subgoal₀ : Prop
subgoal₀ = q

proof₀ : Γ ⊢ subgoal₀
proof₀ =
  (RAA
    (atp-canonicalize
      (atp-simplify
        (atp-canonicalize
          (atp-strip
            (assume {Γ = Γ} (atp-negate subgoal₀))))
          (atp-conjunct q)
          (atp-canonicalize
            (weaken (atp-negate subgoal₀)
              (assume {Γ = ∅} a))))))))
```

```
subgoal1 : Prop
subgoal1 = (q ⇒ p)

proof1 : Γ ⊢ subgoal1
proof1 =
  (RAA
    (atp-canonicalize
      (atp-simplify
        (atp-conjunct (q)
          (atp-canonicalize
            (weaken (atp-negate subgoal1)
              (assume {Γ = ∅} a))))
        (atp-simplify
          (atp-canonicalize
            (atp-strip
              (assume {Γ = Γ} (atp-negate subgoal1))))
          (atp-conjunct (p)
            (atp-canonicalize
              (weaken (atp-negate subgoal1)
                (assume {Γ = ∅} a))))))))))
```

```
-- Premise.
```

```
 $\Gamma$  : Ctxt
```

```
 $\Gamma$  = [ a ]
```

```
-- Conjecture.
```

```
goal = (q  $\wedge$  p)
```

```
-- Subgoals.
```

```
subgoal0 = q
```

```
subgoal1 = (q  $\Rightarrow$  p)
```

```
-- Proof
```

```
proof0 :  $\Gamma \vdash$  subgoal0
```

```
proof1 :  $\Gamma \vdash$  subgoal1
```

```
proof :  $\Gamma \vdash$  goal
```

```
proof =
```

```
   $\Rightarrow$ -elim
```

```
    atp-splitGoal
```

```
    ( $\wedge$ -intro proof0 proof1)
```

## Bug in the Printing of the Proof

Metis' v2.3 (release 20161108) - Issue<sup>14</sup>

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

```
$ metis --show proof problem.tptp
...
fof(normalize_2_0, plain,
  (~ p & (~ q <=> ~ r) & (~ p <=> (~ q <=> ~ 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])).
...
```

<sup>14</sup><https://github.com/gilith/metis/issues/2>



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

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\varphi} \text{ canonicalize}}{\neg p \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \Leftrightarrow \neg r)} \text{ conjunct} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\varphi} \text{ canonicalize}}{\neg q \Leftrightarrow \neg r} \text{ conjunct} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\varphi} \text{ canonicalize}}{\neg p} \text{ conjunct}}{\neg p} \text{ simplify}}{\perp}$$

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<sup>15</sup><https://github.com/gilith/melis/issues/2>

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

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

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

<sup>15</sup><https://github.com/gilith/metis/issues/2>

### SledgeHammer

(Paulson and Susanto, 2007)

- ▶ Isabelle/HOL mature tool
- ▶ Metis ported within Isabelle
- ▶ 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<sup>16</sup>

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<sup>16</sup><http://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)

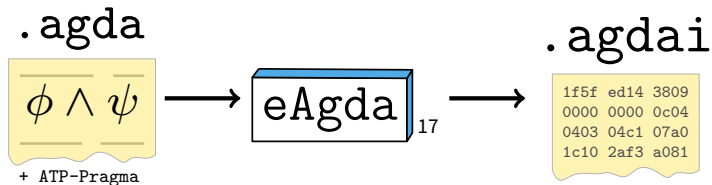
```
module Or where

data _v_ (A B : Set) : Set where
  inj1 : A → A v B
  inj2 : B → A v B

postulate
  A B      : Set
  v-comm : A v B → B v A
{-# ATP prove v-comm #-}
```

## Related Work: Apia

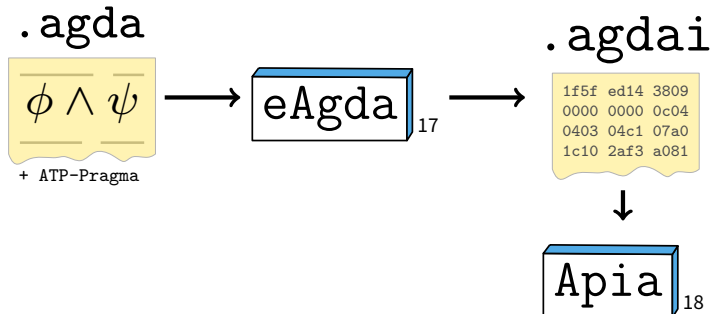
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<sup>17</sup><https://github.com/asr/eagda>

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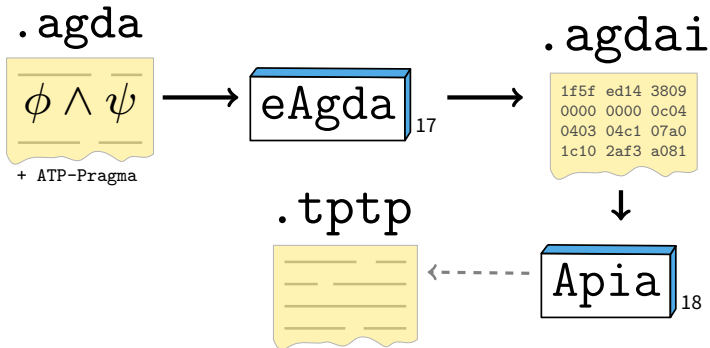


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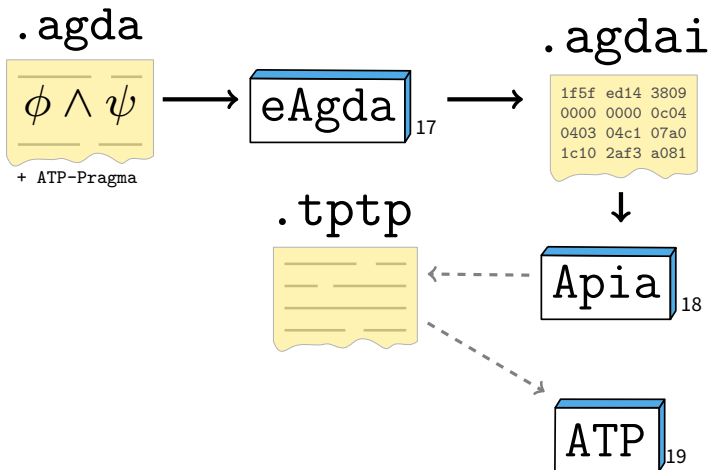


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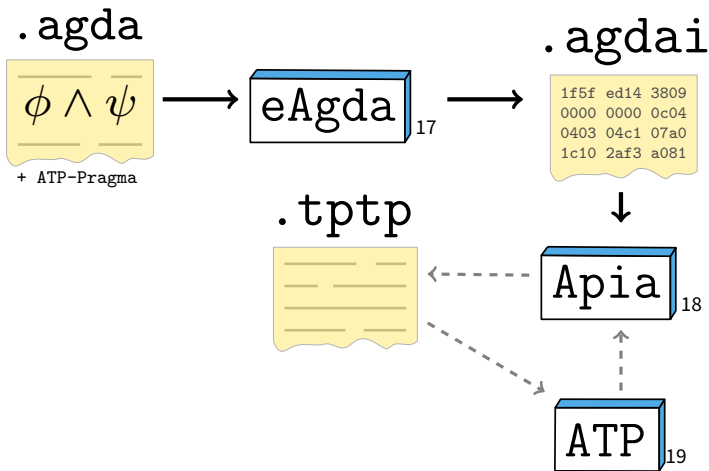
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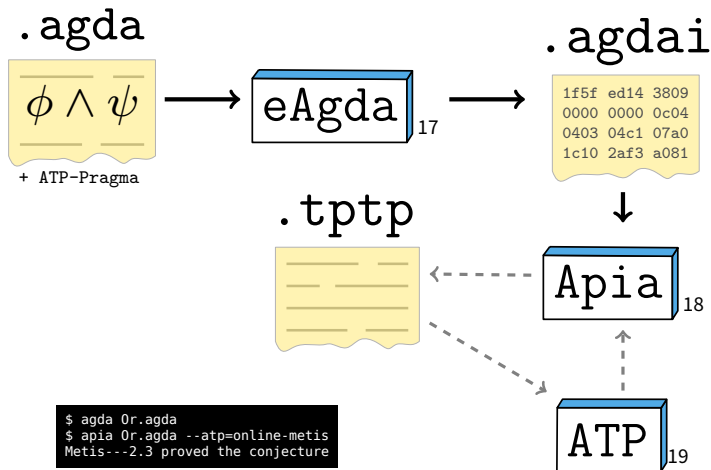
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- ▶ There are missing cases with the `simplify` inference
- ▶ Is not clear, how `canonicalize` inference choose what normal form use to transform the formulas
- ▶ Splitting a goal in a list of subgoals is not verified yet

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

Name	Purpose
Agda-Prop	lib. for syntax and theorems of Clasical Propositional Logic
Agda-Metis	lib. for versions of the inference rules used by Metis
Athena	soft. Translator in Haskell for Metis' TSTP files to Agda
OnlineATPs	soft. A client in Haskell for SystemOnTPTP of TPTP World



Foster, Simon and Georg Struth (2011). “Integrating an Automated Theorem Prover into Agda”. In: *NASA Formal Methods: Third International Symposium, NFM 2011, Pasadena, CA, USA, April 18-20, 2011. Proceedings*. Ed. by Mihaela Bobaru et al. Berlin, Heidelberg: Springer Berlin Heidelberg, pp. 116–130.



Hurd, Joe (2003). “First-order proof tactics in higher-order logic theorem provers”. In: *Design and Application of Strategies/Tactics in Higher Order Logics, number NASA/CP-2003-212448 in NASA Technical Reports*, pp. 56–68.



Paulson, Lawrence C. and Kong Woei Susanto (2007). “Source-Level Proof Reconstruction for Interactive Theorem Proving”. In: *Theorem Proving in Higher Order Logics: 20th International Conference, TPHOLs 2007, Kaiserslautern, Germany, September 10-13, 2007. Proceedings*. Ed. by Klaus Schneider and Jens Brandt. Berlin, Heidelberg: Springer Berlin Heidelberg, pp. 232–245.

$$\frac{}{C} \text{ axiom}$$

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

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

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

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

$$\frac{}{\neg(L[p] = t) \vee \neg L \vee L[p \mapsto t]} \text{ eq } L \ p \ t$$