Reconstructing Propositional Proofs in Type Theory

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Research

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Formalization in type theory, classical propositional derivations generated by the Metis theorem prover.

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Topics

- ► Automatic reasoning using automatic theorem provers (ATPs) (e.g., Metis, EProver)
- ▶ Interactive proving using proof-assistants (e.g., Agda, Coq)
- ▶ Formal methods to verify outputs of ATPs in proof-assistants

Outcomes of the Research

Academic result: paper (work in progress)
Software related results:

- ▶ Athena¹: a translator tool for Metis proofs to Agda in Haskell
- ► Agda libraries:
 - ▶ Agda-Metis²: Metis prover reasoning for propositional logic
 - ► Agda-Prop³: intuitionistic propositional logic with PEM
- ▶ Bugs found in Metis: see issues No. 2, No. 4, and commit 8a3f11e in Metis official repository⁴

In parallel, we develop:

- ▶ Online-ATPs⁵: a client for the TPTP world in Haskell This tool allowed us to use Metis without installing it
- ▶ Prop-Pack⁶: compendium of TPTP problems in classical propositional logic used to test Athena

¹https://github.com/jonaprieto/athena.

²https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-metis.

³https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-prop.

⁴https://github.com/gilith/metis.

⁵https://github.com/jonaprieto/online-atps.

⁶https://github.com/jonaprieto/prop-pack.

Bug in the Printing of the Proof

Fixed in Metis v2.3 (release 20161108)

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

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

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

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

Soundness Bug in Splitting goals

Fixed in Metis v2.3 (release 20170810)

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Consider this TPTP problem

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\ cat issue.tptp fof(goal, conjecture, (~ (p <=> q)) <=> ((p => ~ q) & (q => ~p))).
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Metis found a proof when other ATPs do not. Indeed, the problem is not a tautology.

```
$ metis issue.tptp
SZS status Theorem for issue.tptp
```

Testing with EProver with a client for SystemOnTPTP (Online-ATPs).

```
$ online-atps --atp=e issue.tptp
...
# No proof found!
# SZS status CounterSatisfiable
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Soundness Bug in Splitting goals

Fixed in Metis v2.3 (release 20170810)

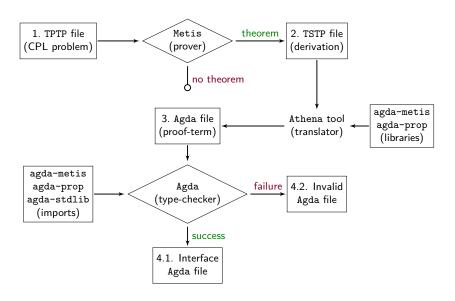
The bug was in the strip inference rule:

$$\neg \ (p \Leftrightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((p \Rightarrow \neg \ q) \land (q \Rightarrow \neg \ p))$$

Solved with:

$$\neg \ (p \Leftrightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((p \Rightarrow \neg \ q) \land (\neg \ q \Rightarrow p))$$

Proof Reconstruction: Overview



Inference Rules of Metis

TSTP derivations by Metis exhibit the following inferences:

Metis rule	Purpose
strip	Strip a goal into subgoals
conjunct	Takes a formula from a conjunction
resolve	\ensuremath{A} general form of the resolution theorem
canonicalize	Normalization of the formula
clausify	Performs clausification
simplify	Simplify definitions and theorems

Proposition Type in Agda

A data type for formulas

```
data Prop : Set where

\begin{array}{l} \text{Var} : \text{Fin } \mathbf{n} \to \text{Prop} \\ \top : \text{Prop} \\ \bot : \text{Prop} \\ \bot : \text{Prop} \\ \bot : \text{Cop} \end{array}
\begin{array}{l} \bot : \text{Prop} \to \text{Prop} \\ \bot : \text{Prop} \to \text{Prop} \\ \bot : \text{Cop} \to \text{Prop} \end{array}
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Inference Rules For Propositional Logic I

Intuitionistic Propositional Logic + PEM ($\Gamma \vdash \varphi \lor \neg \varphi$)

$$\overline{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \varphi}$$
 assume

$$\Gamma \vdash \top$$
 \top -intro

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \bot}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi} \bot \text{-elim}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \bot}{\Gamma \vdash \neg \varphi} \neg -\mathsf{intro}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \neg \varphi \qquad \Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \bot} \neg \text{-elim}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \qquad \Gamma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi} \land \text{-intro} \qquad \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi} \land \text{-proj}_1$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi} \land -\mathsf{proj}_{1}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \psi} \land \text{-proj}_2$$

Inference Rules For Propositional Logic II

$$\begin{array}{c} \dfrac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \lor \psi} \lor \text{-intro}_1 & \dfrac{\Gamma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \lor \psi} \lor \text{-intro}_2 \\ \\ \dfrac{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \gamma \qquad \Gamma, \psi \vdash \gamma}{\Gamma, \varphi \lor \psi \vdash \gamma} \lor \text{-elim} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \psi} \Rightarrow \text{-intro} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \qquad \Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \psi} \Rightarrow \text{-elim}$$

Other Rules

▶ Weakening: to extend the hypotheses with additional formulas

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma, \psi \vdash \varphi}$$
 weaken

The RAA rule is the formulation of the principle of proof by contradiction:

$$\frac{\Gamma, \neg \varphi \vdash \bot}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi} \mathsf{RAA}$$

Syntactical Consequence Relation in Agda

▶ Inductive family $_\vdash$ $_$ with two indexes: a set of propositions Γ (the premises) and a proposition φ (the conclusion)

Example

In [8] we define $_\vdash$ $_$ as follows

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\texttt{data} \ \_\vdash\_\ : \ (\Gamma \ : \ \texttt{Ctxt})(\varphi \ : \ \texttt{Prop}) \ \to \ \texttt{Set}
     ∧-intro
          : \forall \{\Gamma\} \{\varphi \ \psi\}
          \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \psi
          \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi
     ^-proj₁
          : \forall \{\Gamma\} \{\varphi \ \psi\}
          \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi
          \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi
     ∧-proj₂
          : \forall \{\Gamma\} \{\varphi \ \psi\}
          \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \varphi \land \psi
          \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \psi
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Reconstructing Metis Rules in Type Theory

Let $\mathrm{metisRule}$ be a Metis inference rule. We define the function metisRule in type theory which has the following pattern⁷:

$$\begin{split} \text{metisRule} : & \text{Premise} \rightarrow \text{Conclusion} \rightarrow \text{Prop} \\ \text{metisRule} \ \varphi \ \psi &= \begin{cases} \psi, & \text{if metisRule built } \psi \text{ by applying inference} \\ & \text{rules to } \varphi; \\ \varphi, & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

To justify all transformations done by the metisRule rule, we prove its soundness with a theorem like the following:

If $\Gamma \vdash \varphi$ then $\Gamma \vdash$ metisRule $\varphi \psi$, where $\psi : CONCLUSION$.

 $⁷_{\mathrm{PREMISE}}$ and $\mathrm{Conclusion}$ as synonyms of the PROP type to describe in the function types the role of the arguments

Reconstructing Example

The clausify rule transforms a formula into its clausal normal form.

Example

In the following TSTP derivation by Metis, we see how clausify transforms the \mathtt{norm}_0 formula to get \mathtt{norm}_1 formula.

Theorem

Let
$$\psi: {\tt CONCLUSION}.$$
 If $\Gamma \vdash \varphi$ then $\Gamma \vdash {\sf clausify} \ \varphi \ \psi,$ where
$${\tt clausify}: {\tt PREMISE} \to {\tt CONCLUSION} \to {\tt PROP}$$

$${\tt clausify} \ \varphi \ \psi \quad = \begin{cases} \psi, & \text{if} \ \varphi \equiv \psi; \\ {\tt reorder}_{\land \lor} \ ({\sf cnf} \ \varphi) \ \psi, & \text{otherwise}. \end{cases}$$

The Intuition behind the Metis Algorithm

Algorithm 1 Metis refutation strategy

```
procedure METIS
input: the goal and a set of premises a_1, \dots, a_n
output: maybe a derivation when a_1, \dots, a_n \vdash \text{goal}, otherwise
nothing.
   strip the goal into a list of subgoals s_i
   for each subgoal s_i do
       try to find by a refutation for \neg s_i:
          apply clausification for the negated subgoal \neg s_i
       if a premise a_i is relevant then
           apply clausification to a_i
       end if
          application of Metis inference rules
       if a contradiction can be derived from the assumptions then
           keep the refutation and continue with the others subgoals
       else
           exit without a proof.
       end if
   end for
    print the conjecture and the premises
    print each refutation for each negated subgoal
end procedure
```

Some Challenges

▶ Formalization

- Understanding the Metis reasoning without a proper documentation or description from the Metis author
- ▶ Terminating of functions that reconstruct Metis inference rules
- ▶ Intuitionistic logic implementation
- ▶ Software related
 - Parsing of TSTP derivations
 - Printing valid Agda files

Complete Example

The problem⁸:

$$(p\Rightarrow q)\land (q\Rightarrow p)\vdash (p\lor q)\Rightarrow (p\land q)$$

In TPTP syntax:

```
\label{eq:fof_a_1} \begin{array}{ll} \text{fof(a_1, axiom, (p $\Rightarrow$ q) $\land$ (q $\Rightarrow$ p)).} \\ \text{fof(goal, conjecture, (p $\lor$ q) $\Rightarrow$ (p $\land$ q)).} \end{array}
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Its TSTP solution using Metis:

```
fof(a<sub>1</sub>, axiom, (p \Rightarrow q) \land (q \Rightarrow p)).
fof(goal, conjecture, (p \lor q) \Rightarrow (p \land q))).
fof(s<sub>1</sub>, (p \lor q) \Rightarrow p, inf(strip, goal)).
fof(s<sub>2</sub>, ((p \lor q) \land p) \Rightarrow q, inf(strip, goal)).
...
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⁸Problem No. 13 in Disjunction Section in [7]

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fof(s_1, (p \vee q) \Rightarrow p, inf(strip, goal)).
fof(s_2, ((p \vee q) \wedge p) \Rightarrow q, inf(strip, goal)).
fof(neg<sub>1</sub>, \neg ((p \lor q) \Rightarrow p), inf(negate, s<sub>1</sub>)).
fof(n00, (\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor p), inf(canonicalize, a_1)).
fof(n01, \neg q \lor p, inf(conjunct, n00)).
fof(n02, \neg p \land (p \lor q), inf(canonicalize, neg<sub>1</sub>)).
fof(n03, p \vee q, inf(conjunct, n02)).
fof(n04, \neg p, inf(conjunct, n02)).
fof(n05, q, inf(simplify, [n03, n04])).
cnf(r00, \neg q \lor p, inf(canonicalize, n01)).
cnf(r01, q, inf(canonicalize, n05)).
cnf(r02, p, inf(resolve, q, [r01, r00])).
cnf(r03, \neg p, inf(canonicalize, n04)).
cnf(r04, \perp, inf(resolve, p, [r02, r03])).
fof(neg<sub>2</sub>, \neg (((p \lor q) \land p) \Rightarrow q), inf(negate, s2)).
fof(n10, \neg q \land p \land (p \lor q), inf(canonicalize, neg<sub>2</sub>)).
fof(n11, (\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor p), inf(canonicalize, a_1)).
fof(n12, \neg p \lor q, inf(conjunct, n11)).
fof(n13, \perp, inf(simplify,[n10, n12])).
cnf(r10, \perp, inf(canonicalize, n13)).
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TSTP Refutation of Subgoal No. 1

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fof(s_1, (p \vee q) \Rightarrow p, inf(strip, goal)).
fof(neg<sub>1</sub>, \neg ((p \lor q) \Rightarrow p), inf(negate, s<sub>1</sub>)).
fof(n00, (\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor p), inf(canonicalize, a_1)).
fof(n01, \neg q \lor p, inf(conjunct, n00)).
fof(n02, \neg p \land (p \lor q), inf(canonicalize, neg<sub>1</sub>)).
fof(n03, p \vee q, inf(conjunct, n02)).
fof(n04, \neg p, inf(conjunct, n02)).
fof(n05, q, inf(simplify, [n03, n04])).
cnf(r00, \neg q \lor p, inf(canonicalize, n01)).
cnf(r01, q, inf(canonicalize, n05)).
cnf(r02, p, inf(resolve, q, [r01, r00])).
cnf(r03, \neg p, inf(canonicalize, n04)).
cnf(r04, \perp, inf(resolve, p, [r02, r03])).
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Tree for the Subgoal No. 1: $(p \lor q) \Rightarrow p$

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\begin{array}{c} \text{fof}(\mathsf{a}_1,\;\mathsf{axiom},\;(\mathsf{p}\,\Rightarrow\,\mathsf{q})\;\land\;(\mathsf{q}\,\Rightarrow\,\mathsf{p}))\,.\\ \dots\\ \text{fof}(\mathsf{n00},\;(\neg\;\mathsf{p}\,\lor\,\mathsf{q})\;\land\;(\neg\;\mathsf{q}\,\lor\,\mathsf{p}),\;\mathsf{inf}(\mathsf{canonicalize},\;\mathsf{a}_1))\,.\\ \text{fof}(\mathsf{n01},\;\neg\;\mathsf{q}\,\lor\,\mathsf{p},\;\mathsf{inf}(\mathsf{conjunct},\;\mathsf{n00}))\,.\\ \dots\\ \\ &\frac{\overline{\Gamma\vdash(p\Rightarrow q)\land(q\Rightarrow p)}}{\overline{\Gamma,\neg s_1\vdash(p\Rightarrow q)\land(q\Rightarrow p)}}\;\mathsf{axiom}\;a_1}{\overline{\Gamma,\neg s_1\vdash(p\Rightarrow q)\land(q\Rightarrow p)}}\;\mathsf{weaken}\\ &\frac{\overline{\Gamma,\neg s_1\vdash(\neg p\lor q)\land(\neg q\lor p)}}{\Gamma,\neg s_1\vdash\neg q\lor p}\;\mathsf{conjunct} \end{array}
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...  \begin{split} &\text{fof}(s_1,\ (p\ \lor\ q)\ \Rightarrow\ p,\ inf(strip,\ goal)).\\ &\text{fof}(neg_1,\ \neg\ ((p\ \lor\ q)\ \Rightarrow\ p),\ inf(negate,\ s_1)).\\ &\dots\\ &\text{fof}(n02,\ \neg\ p\ \land\ (p\ \lor\ q),\ inf(canonicalize,\ neg_1)).\\ &\text{fof}(n03,\ p\ \lor\ q,\ inf(conjunct,\ n02)).\\ &\text{fof}(n04,\ \neg\ p,\ inf(conjunct,\ n02)). \end{split}
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$$(\mathcal{D}_2) \qquad \qquad \frac{\frac{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg s_1}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p \land (p \lor q)}}{\frac{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p \land (p \lor q)}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash p \lor q}} \begin{array}{c} \text{canonicalize} \\ \\ \hline \frac{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p \land (p \lor q)}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p \land (p \lor q)} \end{array} \\ \hline \frac{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p \land (p \lor q)}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p} \begin{array}{c} \text{canonicalize} \\ \\ \hline \Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p \\ \end{array}$$

$$(\mathcal{D}_4) \qquad \qquad \frac{\frac{\mathcal{D}_2}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash p \lor q} - \frac{\mathcal{D}_3}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p}}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash q} \text{ simplify}$$

$$(\mathcal{R}_1) \cfrac{\frac{\mathcal{D}_1}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg q \lor p} \quad \frac{\mathcal{D}_4}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash q}}{\cfrac{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash p}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \bot}} \text{ resolve } q \qquad \cfrac{\mathcal{D}_3}{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \neg p}}{\cfrac{\Gamma, \neg s_1 \vdash \bot}{\Gamma \vdash s_1}} \text{ RAA}$$

Tree for the Subgoal No. 2: $((p \lor q) \land p) \Rightarrow q$

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fof(s_2, ((p \lor q) \land p) \Rightarrow q, inf(strip, goal)).
fof(neg<sub>2</sub>, \neg (((p \lor q) \land p) \Rightarrow q), inf(negate, s2)).
fof(n10, \neg q \land p \land (p \lor q), inf(canonicalize, neg<sub>2</sub>)).
fof(n11, (\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor p), inf(canonicalize, a_1)).
fof(n12, \neg p \lor q, inf(conjunct, n11)).
fof(n13, \perp, inf(simplify,[n10, n12])).
cnf(r10, \perp, inf(canonicalize, n13)).
                     \frac{\frac{}{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash \neg s_2} \operatorname{assume} \left( \neg s_2 \right)}{\frac{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash \neg q \land p \land (p \lor q)}{\operatorname{canonicalize}}} \frac{\frac{\overline{\Gamma \vdash (p \Rightarrow q) \land (q \Rightarrow p)}}{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash (p \Rightarrow q) \land (q \Rightarrow p)}}{\frac{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash (p \Rightarrow q) \land (\neg q \lor p)}{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash \neg p \lor q}} \overset{\text{axiom } a_1}{\operatorname{canonicalize}}}{\frac{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash \bot}{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash \neg p \lor q}} \overset{\text{oxion icalize}}{\operatorname{conjunct}}}{\frac{\Gamma, \neg s_2 \vdash \bot}{\Gamma \vdash s_2}} \operatorname{RAA}
    (\mathcal{R}_2)
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Summarizing the Example

The problem was:

$$(p \Rightarrow q) \land (q \Rightarrow p) \vdash (p \lor q) \Rightarrow (p \land q)$$

Its TSTP solution using Metis was:

fof(a₁, axiom, (p
$$\Rightarrow$$
 q) \land (q \Rightarrow p)).
fof(goal, conjecture, (p \lor q) \Rightarrow (p \land q))).
fof(s₁, (p \lor q) \Rightarrow p, inf(strip, goal)).
fof(s₂, ((p \lor q) \land p) \Rightarrow q, inf(strip, goal)).
...

The proof is:

$$\begin{tabular}{c} $\frac{\Gamma \vdash (s_1 \land s_2) \Rightarrow {\sf goal}} \end{tabular} \begin{tabular}{c} $\frac{\mathcal{R}_1}{\Gamma \vdash s_1} & \frac{\mathcal{R}_2}{\Gamma \vdash s_2} \\ \hline & \Gamma \vdash s_1 \land s_2 \end{tabular} \end{tabular} \end{tabular} \land -{\sf intro} \\ \hline $\Gamma \vdash {\sf goal} \end{tabular}$$

(Live example using Agda and Athena)

Future Work

Further research directions include, but are not limited to:

- ▶ improve the performance of the canonicalize rule
- ▶ extend the proof-reconstruction presented in this paper to
 - ▶ support the proposition logic with equality of Metis
 - ▶ support other ATPs for propositional logic like EProver or Z3. See Kanso's Ph.D. thesis [5]
 - support Metis first-order proofs

Related Work

In type theory:

- ► Kanso in [5] reconstructs in Agda propositional proofs generated by EProver and Z3
- ► Foster and Struth in [2] describe proof-reconstruction in Agda for equational logic of Waldmeister prover
- ▶ Bezem, Hendriks, and Nivelle in [1] transform a proof produced by the first-order prover Bliksem in a Coq proof-term

In classical logic:

- ▶ Paulson and Susanto in [6] introduce SledgeHammer, a tool ables to reconstructs proofs of well-known ATPs: EProver, Vampire, among others using SystemOnTPTP server
- ► Hurd in [3] integrates the first-order resolution prover Gandalf prover for HOL proof-assistant
- ► Kaliszyk and Urban in [4] reconstruct proofs of different ATPs for HOL Light

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TPTP Syntax

Thousands of Problems for Theorem Provers

- ▶ Is a language⁹ to encode problems
- ▶ 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

⁹http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/TPTP/SyntaxBNF.html.

Metis Theorem Prover

Metis is an automatic theorem prover for first-order logic with equality.

- ▶ Open source implemented
- ▶ Reads problems in TPTP format
- ▶ Outputs *detailed* proofs in TSTP format
- ▶ For the propositional logic, Metis has only three inference rules:

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi_1 \lor \cdots \lor \varphi_n} \text{ axiom } \varphi_1, \cdots, \varphi_n$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \lor \neg \varphi} \text{ assume } \varphi$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi_1 \lor \cdots \lor l \lor \cdots \lor \varphi_n} \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \psi_1 \lor \cdots \lor \neg l \lor \cdots \lor \psi_m} \text{ resolve } l$$

TSTP Syntax

A TSTP derivation¹⁰

- ▶ 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

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language(name, role, formula, source [,useful info]).
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where source typically is an inference record

inference(rule, useful info, parents).

¹⁰ http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/TPTP/QuickGuide/Derivations.html.

Another TSTP Example

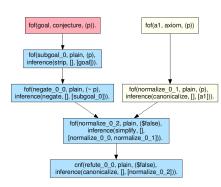
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▶ Proof found by Metis for the problem p \vdash p
  $ metis --show proof problem.tptp
  fof(a, axiom, p).
  fof(goal, conjecture, p).
  fof(subgoal 0, plain, p),
    inference(strip, [], [goal])).
  fof(negate_0_0, plain, ~ p,
    inference(negate, [], [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])).
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DAG Example

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

$$\frac{\frac{\neg p}{\neg p} \text{ assume}}{\text{strip}} \frac{\frac{p}{p} \text{ axiom}}{\text{sanonicalize}}$$

$$\frac{\perp}{\parallel} \text{ canonicalize}$$



Athena tool

Is a Haskell program that translates proofs given by Metis 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 Metis

Agda-Metis: Conjunct Inference 11

Definition

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

¹¹ https://github.com/jonaprieto/agda-metis.

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▶ Inference rules involved

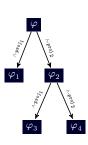
$$\dfrac{ \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2}{ \varphi_1}$$
 \land -proj_1

$$\frac{\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2}{\varphi_2} \wedge \text{-proj}_2$$

► Example

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

- $\qquad \qquad \bullet \ \ \, \text{conjunct} \ \ \, (\varphi,\varphi_3\wedge\varphi_1)\equiv\varphi$
- conjunct $(\varphi, \varphi_3) \equiv \varphi_3$
- conjunct $(\varphi, \varphi_2) \equiv \varphi_2$



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