

Metatheory of the Logic of Hereditary Harrop Formulas in Coq

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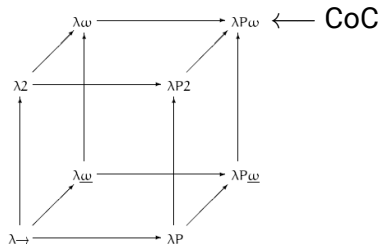
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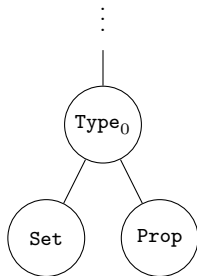
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Calculus of Constructions



Notation: $A : B$ means A has type B

If $P : \text{Prop}$ and $t : P$, then P is a theorem and t is a proof of P

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\forall (n : \text{nat}), 0 + n = n) : \text{Prop} \\ & (\text{fun } (n : \text{nat}) \Rightarrow \text{eq_refl}) : \forall (n : \text{nat}), 0 + n = n \end{aligned}$$

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- ▶ If you can build P_1, \dots, P_n , then you can build C

Natural Deduction

Set of inference rules to encode “natural” reasoning

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \wedge_I \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{A} \wedge_{E1} \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{B} \wedge_{E2}$$

Claim: If $p \wedge q$, then $q \wedge p$

Proof:

$$\frac{\frac{p \wedge q}{q} \wedge_{E2} \quad \frac{p \wedge q}{p} \wedge_{E1}}{q \wedge p} \wedge_I$$

Sequent Calculus

Sequent

$$\Gamma \vdash P$$

P is provable in context Γ (a set of assumptions)

Example Sequent Rule

$$\frac{\Gamma, P \vdash Q}{\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow Q} \rightarrow_I$$

Prove “If P then Q ” by assuming P and deriving Q

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Encoding Sequents as Inductive Dependent Types

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```
Inductive grseq : context -> oo -> Prop :=
...
| g_and :
  forall (L : context) (G1 G2 : oo),
  grseq L G1 -> grseq L G2 ->
  grseq L (G1 & G2)
...
with bcseq : context -> oo -> atm -> Prop :=
| b_imp :
  forall (L : context) (F G : oo) (A : atm),
  grseq L G -> bcseq L D A
  -> bcseq L (G ----> D) A.
...
```


Inductive Types

Encapsulate infinite collection in finite set of rules

Example:

```
Inductive nat : Set :=  
| 0 : nat  
| S : nat -> nat.
```

Induction principle for property $P : \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{Prop}$:

$$\frac{P\ 0 \quad \forall(n : \text{nat}), P\ n \rightarrow P\ (S\ n)}{\forall(n : \text{nat}), P\ n}$$

In linear form:

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall(P : \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{Prop}), \\ & (P\ 0) \rightarrow \\ & (\forall(n : \text{nat}), P\ n \rightarrow P\ (S\ n)) \rightarrow \\ & \forall(n : \text{nat}), P\ n. \end{aligned}$$

Sequent Mutual Induction Principle

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 \quad \quad c, [o] \triangleright a \rightarrow P_2 \ c \ o \ a)
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Structural Rules

$$\frac{\Gamma \triangleright \beta_2}{\Gamma, \beta_1 \triangleright \beta_2} \text{ gr_weakening}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, [\beta_2] \triangleright \alpha}{\Gamma, \beta_1, [\beta_2] \triangleright \alpha} \text{ bc_weakening}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \beta_1, \beta_1 \triangleright \beta_2}{\Gamma, \beta_1 \triangleright \beta_2} \text{ gr_contraction}$$

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$$\frac{\Gamma, \beta_2, \beta_1 \triangleright \beta_3}{\Gamma, \beta_1, \beta_2 \triangleright \beta_3} \text{ gr_exchange}$$

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These are all corollaries of a general theorem:

Theorem (monotone)

$$\frac{\Gamma \subseteq \Gamma' \quad \Gamma \triangleright \beta}{\Gamma' \triangleright \beta} \wedge \frac{\Gamma \subseteq \Gamma' \quad \Gamma, [\beta] \triangleright \alpha}{\Gamma', [\beta] \triangleright \alpha}$$

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Next: backchain with context lemma that says if $c \subseteq \Gamma'$ then $(c, o_1) \subseteq (\Gamma', o_1)$

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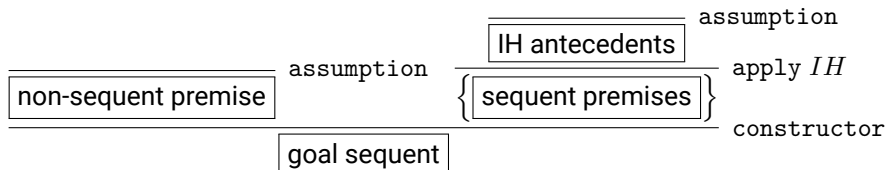
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Goal is provable by assumption P

Structural Rules Summary

Proof with 15 subcases proven automatically in Coq



```
Proof.  
Hint Resolve context_sub_sup.  
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```

Prove cut admissibility with this one weird trick...

Theorem (cut_admissible)

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Proof by nested induction over δ then mutual structural induction over $\Gamma, \delta \triangleright \beta$ and $\Gamma, \delta, [\beta] \triangleright \alpha$

98 of 105 cases proven automatically in Coq

Proof.

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Hint Resolve gr_weakening context_swap.  
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