

# A Proof-Theoretic Approach to Hierarchical Math Library Organization



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# Basic Questions



- What is the difference between lemmas and theorems?
  - “Theorems are more important than lemmas.”
  - “Theorems apply in more places than lemmas.”
  - “Lemmas are only used in proofs of theorems.”
- Do our choices in mathematical proofs create an inherent structure that can be captured formally?

# Relationship Between Theorems & Lemmas

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- Levels of importance and dependency
- Qualitative difference is in *scope*
- Scope for variables and assumptions already exists
- Theorems apply anywhere, lemmas are limited

# A Motivating Example

Consider a Boolean algebra  $(B, \vee, \wedge, \neg, 0, 1)$

with axioms of equality:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ref} & : x = x \\ \text{sym} & : x = y \longrightarrow y = x \\ \text{trans} & : x = y \longrightarrow y = z \longrightarrow x = z \\ \text{cong}_{\wedge} & : x = y \longrightarrow z \wedge x = z \wedge y \\ \text{cong}_{\vee} & : x = y \longrightarrow z \vee x = z \vee y \\ \text{cong}_{\neg} & : x = y \longrightarrow \neg x = \neg y \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1:

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \longrightarrow a = c \longrightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

# A Motivating Example

Lemma 1:

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \quad \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

Proof of Theorem:

$$z \vee (a \wedge a) \quad = \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) \quad (\text{Lemma 1})$$

$$z \vee (a \wedge a) \quad = \quad z \vee (a \wedge c) \quad (\text{Lemma 1})$$

$$z \vee (a \wedge b) \quad = \quad z \vee (a \wedge a) \quad (\text{sym})$$

$$z \vee (a \wedge b) \quad = \quad z \vee (a \wedge c) \quad (\text{trans})$$

Theorem 1:

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \quad \rightarrow \quad a = c \quad \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

# Scope

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- Limit scope of lemma to theorem
- Two possible quantifications of  $z$ 
  - “Lemma 1: For all  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ,...” vs.
  - “Let  $z$  be an arbitrary, but fixed Boolean value.  
Lemma 1: For all  $x$  and  $y$ ,...”
- Subtle, stylistic differences that can be captured formally

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# Related Work



- Mostly in the context of automated theorem provers
- Coq, Isabelle, NuPRL make no distinction between theorems and lemmas
- Three primary areas
  - Variable and assumption scoping
  - Proof reuse
  - Library structuring

# Variable Scoping

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- Kammüller, Ballarin: Isabelle's *locales*
  - + Limit use of set of local variables and assumptions to current theory
  - + Nested locales allowed
  - + Variables and assumptions can be moved outward in nesting
  - Theorems do not have scope

# Proof Reuse

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- Melis & Whittle, Owen, Munyer....: Proof by analogy
- Melis & Schairer: Reuse in formal software verification
- Kolbe & Walther: Proof generalization and reuse
- Mostly focus on tactics and proof step reuse
- + Allows proof steps to be performed automatically
- No organization of commonly used tactics into hierarchical structure

# Library Structuring



- Lorigo et al.: WWW search techniques based on theorems in proofs
  - + Find structure of mathematical topics and categories of theorems
  - For use with already existing libraries
  - No restructuring of libraries to match relationships

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# Proof Representation

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- Based on publish/cite by Kozen & Ramanarayanan
- Universal Horn equational logic
  - Individual variables  $X = \{x, y, \dots\}$
  - First-order signature  $\Sigma = \{f, g, \dots\}$
  - Individual terms  $s, t, \dots$ 
    - An individual variable
    - An expression  $f t_1 \dots t_n$ ,  $f$  is an n-ary function in  $\Sigma$  and  $t_1 \dots t_n$  are individual variables
  - Equations  $d, e, \dots$  between two terms,  $s = t$

# Proof Representation

- Theorem: A universally quantified Horn formula

$$\forall x_1, \dots, x_m. \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \varphi_n \rightarrow \psi$$

- $\varphi_i$  : Equations (premises)
- $\psi$  : Equation (conclusion)
- $x_1, \dots, x_m$  : Free variables
- Arbitrary specialization through term substitution
  - $\forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$   
with substitution  $[x/a, y/b, z/z]$   
becomes  $a = b \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b)$

# Proof Term

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- A variable  $p$
- A constant--name of a theorem
- An application  $\pi \tau$ , where  $\pi$  and  $\tau$  are proof terms
- An application  $\pi t$ , where  $\pi$  is a proof term and  $t$  is an individual term
- An abstraction  $\lambda p.\tau$ , where  $p$  is a proof variable and  $\tau$  is a proof term
- An abstraction  $\lambda x.\tau$  where  $x$  is an individual variable and  $\tau$  is a proof term



# Proof Term

- Sequence:  $\tau_1; \dots; \tau_n$ , where  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n$  are proof terms
- Scoping: let  $L_1 = \tau_1 \dots L_n = \tau_n$  in  $\tau$  end
  - Define proofs  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n$
  - Assign to new names  $L_1, \dots, L_n$
  - $L_i$  can appear in  $\tau_k$ , where  $i < k$ , and in  $\tau$
  - Corresponds to variable scoping in SML lets

# Typing Rules

$$\overline{\Gamma, p : e \vdash p : e}$$

$$\overline{\Gamma, c : \varphi \vdash c : \varphi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \pi : e \rightarrow \varphi \quad \Gamma \vdash \tau : e}{\Gamma \vdash \pi\tau : \varphi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \pi : \forall x.\varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \pi t : \varphi[x/t]}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, p : e \vdash \tau : \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda p.\tau : e \rightarrow \varphi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \tau : \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x.\tau : \forall x.\varphi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \tau_1 : \varphi_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma \vdash \tau_n : \varphi_n}{\Gamma \vdash \tau_1; \dots; \tau_n : \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_n}$$

$$\Gamma \vdash \tau_1 : \varphi_1$$
$$\Gamma, L_1 : \varphi_1 \vdash \tau_2 : \varphi_2$$

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$$\Gamma, L_1 : \varphi_1, \dots, L_{n-1} : \varphi_{n-1} \vdash \tau_n : \varphi_n$$

$$\Gamma, L_1 : \varphi_1, \dots, L_n : \varphi_n \vdash \tau : \varphi$$

$$\overline{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } L_1 = \tau_1 \dots L_n = \tau_n \text{ in } \tau \text{ end} : \varphi_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \varphi_n \rightarrow \varphi}$$

# Motivating Example

thm =

let lem =  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda z \lambda P. (\text{Proof of lemma})$

in

$\lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda z \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) (lem } R)$

end

- $P: x = y, Q: a = b, R: a = c$
- According to Curry-Howard Isomorphism
  - Type of  $\lambda$ -term corresponds theorem
  - $\lambda$ -term corresponds to proof of theorem

# Motivating Example

- “Lemma 1: For all  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ,...”

thm =

let lem =  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda z \lambda P.(\text{Proof of lemma})$

in

$\lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda z \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) (lem } R)$

end

- “Let  $z$  be an arbitrary, but fixed Boolean value.

Lemma 1: For all  $x$  and  $y$ ,...”

thm =

$\lambda z. \text{let lem} = \lambda x \lambda y \lambda P.(\text{Proof of lemma})$

in

$\lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) (lem } R)$

end

# Library Structure

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- $\mathcal{L}; \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{T}$
- Library of theorems  $\mathcal{L} : T_1 = \pi_1, \dots, T_n = \pi_n$
- Lemmas in scope  $\mathcal{C} : L_1 = \tau_1, \dots, L_m = \tau_m$
- Annotated proof tasks  $\mathcal{T} : A \vdash \pi : \varphi$

# Library Typing Rules

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- Assignments, tasks, and library all have types
- Similar to typing for `let` expression
- Enforces ordering on theorems and lemmas
- Prevents circularity in proofs

# Library Proof Rules

$$\text{(assume)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, A \vdash \tau : e}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, A, p : d \vdash \tau : e}$$

$$\text{(ident)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, p : e \vdash p : e}$$

$$\text{(mp)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, A \vdash \pi : e \rightarrow \varphi \quad A \vdash \tau : e}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, A \vdash \pi \tau : \varphi}$$

$$\text{(discharge)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, A, p : e \vdash \tau : \varphi}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, A \vdash \lambda p. \tau : e \rightarrow \varphi}$$

$$\text{(collect)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \overline{M} = \overline{\pi} ; \vdash \tau_1 : \varphi_1 \dots \vdash \tau_n : \varphi_n}{\mathcal{L} ; L = \text{let } \overline{M} = \overline{\pi} \text{ in } \lambda \overline{x}_1. \tau_1 ; \dots ; \lambda \overline{x}_n. \tau_n \text{ end} ;} \quad \overline{x}_i = FV(\varphi_i)$$

$$\text{(publish)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \overline{L} = \overline{\tau} ;}{\mathcal{L}, \overline{L} = \overline{\tau} ;}$$

# Collect

$$\frac{\mathcal{L} ; \overline{M} = \overline{\pi} ; \vdash \tau_1 : \varphi_1 \dots \vdash \tau_n : \varphi_n}{\mathcal{L} ; \quad L = \quad \text{let } \overline{M} = \overline{\pi} \quad ; \quad \overline{x}_i = FV(\varphi_i) \\ \quad \text{in } \lambda \overline{x}_1 . \tau_1 ; \dots ; \lambda \overline{x}_n . \tau_n \text{ end } ;}$$

- Form universal closures of  $\varphi_i$ s and corresponding  $\lambda$ -closures of  $\tau_i$ s
- Assign new name  $L$
- Take lemmas  $\overline{M}$  out of scope



# Library Proof Rules

$$\text{(tcite)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L}_1, T = \pi, \mathcal{L}_2 ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}}{\mathcal{L}_1, T = \pi, \mathcal{L}_2 ; \mathcal{C} ; \mathcal{T}, \quad \vdash T[j] \bar{t} : \varphi[\bar{x}/\bar{t}]} \quad T[j] : \forall \bar{x}. \varphi$$

$$\text{(lcite)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C}_1, L = \pi, \mathcal{C}_2 ; \mathcal{T}}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C}_1, L = \pi, \mathcal{C}_2 ; \mathcal{T}, \quad \vdash L[j] \bar{t} : \varphi[\bar{x}/\bar{t}]} \quad L[j] : \forall \bar{x}. \varphi$$

$$\text{(tforget)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L}_1, T = \pi, \mathcal{L}_2 ; \mathcal{C} \quad ; \mathcal{T}}{\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2[T/\pi] \quad ; \mathcal{C}[T/\pi] ; \mathcal{T}[T/\pi]}$$

$$\text{(lforget)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C}_1, L = \pi, \mathcal{C}_2 ; \mathcal{T}}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2[L/\pi] \quad ; \mathcal{T}[L/\pi]}$$

$$\text{(reorder)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C}_1, L = \lambda \alpha_1 \dots \lambda \alpha_i \lambda \alpha_j \dots \lambda \alpha_n. \pi, \mathcal{C}_2 \quad ;}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{C}_1, L = \lambda \alpha_1 \dots \lambda \alpha_j \lambda \alpha_i \dots \lambda \alpha_n. \pi, \mathcal{C}_2[L(i, j)/L(j, i)] ;} \quad (*)$$

$$\text{(promote)} \quad \frac{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{L}_1, L = \text{let } \bar{M} = \bar{\tau} \text{ in } \pi \text{ end}, \mathcal{L}_2 ;}{\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{L}_1, \bar{M} = \bar{\tau}, L = \pi, \mathcal{L}_2 \quad ;}$$

# Promote

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$$\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{L}_1, L = \text{let } \overline{M} = \overline{\tau} \text{ in } \pi \text{ end}, \mathcal{L}_2 ;$$
$$\mathcal{L} ; \mathcal{L}_1, \overline{M} = \overline{\tau}, L = \pi, \mathcal{L}_2 \quad ;$$
$$L = \text{let } M = \tau \text{ in } \pi \text{ end} \quad \Rightarrow \quad M = \tau, L = \pi$$

- M may apply in more places than just  $\pi$
- M may have same relative importance as L
- Apply other rules to stress different relations

# Proof Term Proof Rules

(push)	$\frac{\lambda\alpha.(\pi_1; \dots; \pi_n)}{\lambda\alpha.\pi_1; \dots; \lambda\alpha.\pi_n}$	(pull)	$\frac{\lambda\alpha.\pi_1; \dots; \lambda\alpha.\pi_n}{\lambda\alpha.(\pi_1; \dots; \pi_n)}$
(generalize)	$\frac{\lambda\alpha.\text{let } \bar{L} = \bar{\pi} \text{ in } \tau \text{ end}}{\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\lambda\alpha.\pi[\bar{L}/\bar{L} \alpha]} \text{ in } \lambda\alpha.\tau[\bar{L}/\bar{L} \alpha] \text{ end}}$		
(specialize)	$\frac{\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\lambda\alpha.\pi} \text{ in } \lambda\alpha.\tau \text{ end}}{\lambda\alpha.\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\pi[\bar{L} \alpha/\bar{L}]} \text{ in } \tau[\bar{L} \alpha/\bar{L}] \text{ end}} \quad (**)$		
(split)	$\frac{\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\pi_L}, \bar{M} = \overline{\pi_M} \text{ in } \tau \text{ end}}{\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\pi_L} \text{ in let } \bar{M} = \overline{\pi_M} \text{ in } \tau \text{ end end}}$		
(merge)	$\frac{\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\pi_L} \text{ in let } \bar{M} = \overline{\pi_M} \text{ in } \tau \text{ end end}}{\text{let } \bar{L} = \overline{\pi_L}, \bar{M} = \overline{\pi_M} \text{ in } \tau \text{ end}}$		
(rename)	$\frac{\lambda\alpha.\pi}{\lambda\beta.\pi[\alpha/\beta]} \quad (\#)$		

# Generalize/Specialize

- $\lambda x.let  $L = \lambda P.\pi$  in  $\lambda Q.(L Q)$  end
  - “Consider an arbitrary, but fixed value  $x$ .  
Lemma L: If  $x$  has property P, then ....  
Theorem: If  $x$  has property Q, then ....  
Proof: Apply L with the assumption Q”$
- let  $L = \lambda x.\lambda P.\pi$  in  $\lambda x.\lambda Q.(L x Q)$  end
  - “Lemma L: For all  $x$ , if  $x$  has property P, then ....  
Theorem: For all  $x$ , if  $x$  has property Q, then ....  
Proof: Apply L to  $x$  with the assumption Q”

# Soundness



- Proof rules transform proof terms
- Type can change during transformation
- Justified by axioms of first order logic

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# Motivating Example

- Axioms:

$$\text{sym} \quad : \quad \forall x, y. \quad x = y \quad \longrightarrow \quad y = x$$

$$\text{trans} \quad : \quad \forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \quad \longrightarrow \quad y = z \quad \longrightarrow \quad x = z$$

$$\text{cong}_{\wedge} \quad : \quad \forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \quad \longrightarrow \quad (z \wedge x) = (z \wedge y)$$

$$\text{cong}_{\vee} \quad : \quad \forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \quad \longrightarrow \quad (z \vee x) = (z \vee y)$$

- Theorem to prove:

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \quad \longrightarrow \quad a = c \quad \longrightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

- Lemma to prove:

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \quad \longrightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**



## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad P : x = y$$

**Rule  
(ident)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad P : x = y$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong}_{\wedge} : x = y \rightarrow (x \wedge x) = (x \wedge y)$$

<b>Rule</b> <b>(tcite), (assume)</b>
<b>Theorem</b> $\text{cong}_{\wedge} : \forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow (z \wedge x) = (z \wedge y)$
<b>Substitution</b> $x/x$ $y/y$ $z/x$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad P : x = y$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong}_{\wedge} : x = y \rightarrow (x \wedge x) = (x \wedge y)$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong} \quad P : (x \wedge x) = (x \wedge y)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**  
**(tcite), (assume)**

## Theorem

$$\text{cong}_\vee : \forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow (z \vee x) = (z \vee y)$$

## Substitution

$$x/x \wedge x$$

$$y/x \wedge y$$

$$z/z$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong} \quad P : (x \wedge x) = (x \wedge y)$$

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## Theorem to prove

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**Rule  
(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong} \quad P : (x \wedge x) = (x \wedge y)$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong}_{\vee} : (x \wedge x) = (x \wedge y) \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong}_{\vee} (\text{cong}_{\wedge} P) : z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(discharge)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$P : x = y \quad \vdash \quad \text{cong}_{\vee} (\text{cong}_{\wedge} P) : z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

$$\vdash \quad \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} (\text{cong}_{\wedge} P) : x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(collect)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$\vdash \quad \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} (\text{cong}_{\wedge} P) : x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

$$\text{lem} = \lambda x \lambda y \lambda z \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} (\text{cong}_{\wedge} P) : \forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**



## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad Q : a = b$$

**Rule  
(ident)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad Q : a = b$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem} : a = b \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

## Rule

(Icite), (assume)

## Theorem

$$\text{lem} : \forall x, y, z. x = x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Substitution

$x/a$

$y/b$

$z/z$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad Q : a = b$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem} : a = b \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } Q : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. x = y$$

$$\rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. a = b$$

$$\rightarrow a = c$$

$$\rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

## Rule

(tcite), (assume)

## Theorem

$$\text{sym} : \forall x, y. x = y \rightarrow y = x$$

## Substitution

$$x/z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$y/z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } Q : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym} : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b) \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } Q : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym} : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge b) \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

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**Rule  
(ident)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad R : a = c$$

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## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**  
**(Icite), (assume)**

## Theorem

$$\text{lem} : \forall x, y, z. x = x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Substitution

$$x/a$$

$$y/c$$

$$z/z$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad R : a = c$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem} : a = c \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

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**Rule  
(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad R : a = c$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem} : a = c \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } R : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$



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## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**  
**(tcite)**

**Theorem**

$$\text{trans} : \forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow y = z \rightarrow x = z$$

**Substitution**

$$x/z \vee (a \wedge b)$$

$$y/z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$z/z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } R : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$\vdash \quad \text{trans} : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a) \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c) \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

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<b>Rule</b> <b>(assume)</b>
<b>Theorem</b>
<b>Substitution</b>

$$Q : a = b \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

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$$\vdash \quad \text{trans} : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a) \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c) \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } R : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{trans} : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a) \rightarrow \dots$$

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**Rule  
(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{sym (lem } Q) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } R : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{trans} : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge a) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c) \\ \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

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## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**  
**(mp)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{lem } R : z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) \quad : \quad z \vee (a \wedge a) = z \vee (a \wedge c) \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) (lem } R) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

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$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

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<b>Rule (discharge)</b>
<b>Theorem</b>
<b>Substitution</b>

$$Q : a = b, R : a = c \quad \vdash \quad \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) \text{ (lem } R) : z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$\vdash \quad \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) \text{ (lem } R) \quad : \quad a = b \rightarrow a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(collect)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

$$\vdash \quad \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) \text{ (lem } R) \quad : \quad a = b \rightarrow a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

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thm =  
  let lem =  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda z \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} \text{cong}_{\wedge} P : \forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$   
  in  
     $\lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda z \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem } Q)) \text{ (lem } R) \quad : \quad \forall a, b, c, z. a = b \rightarrow a = c$   
     $\rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$   
  end
```

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule  
(reorder)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

thm =

let lem =  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda z \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} \text{cong}_{\wedge} P : \forall x, y, z. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$

in

$\lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda z \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans} (\text{sym} (\text{lem } Q)) (\text{lem } R) : \forall a, b, c, z. a = b \rightarrow a = c \\ \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$

end

thm =

let lem =  $\lambda z \lambda x \lambda y \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} \text{cong}_{\wedge} P : \forall z, x, y. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$

in

$\lambda z \lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans} (\text{sym} (\text{lem } Q)) (\text{lem } R) : \forall z, a, b, c. a = b \rightarrow a = c \\ \rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$

end

## Lemma to prove

$$\forall x, y, z. \quad x = y \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$$

## Theorem to prove

$$\forall a, b, c, z. \quad a = b \\ \rightarrow \quad a = c \\ \rightarrow \quad z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$$

**Rule**  
**(specialize)**

**Theorem**

**Substitution**

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thm =
  let lem =  $\lambda z \lambda x \lambda y \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} \text{cong}_{\wedge} P : \forall z, x, y. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$ 
  in
     $\lambda z \lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda Q. \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem Q)) (lem R)} : \forall z, a, b, c. a = b \rightarrow a = c$ 
     $\rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$ 
  end
```

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thm =
   $\lambda z. \text{let lem} = \lambda x \lambda y \lambda P. \text{cong}_{\vee} \text{cong}_{\wedge} P : \forall x, y. x = y \rightarrow z \vee (x \wedge x) = z \vee (x \wedge y)$ 
  in
     $\lambda a \lambda b \lambda c \lambda Q \lambda R. \text{trans (sym (lem Q)) (lem R)} : \forall z, a, b, c. a = b \rightarrow a = c$ 
     $\rightarrow z \vee (a \wedge b) = z \vee (a \wedge c)$ 
  end
```



- Motivation
- Related Work
- Proof System
- Example
- Conclusions/Future Work

# Library Structuring



- Structure reflects similarity of theorems
- Group based on shared variables, assumptions, and lemmas
- Ease in maintaining modularity
- Break down larger libraries naturally

# Heuristics



- Makes proof similarities more apparent
- Prefer lemmas to theorems when possible
- *Proof Refactorization*: Detect similar subproofs and make them lemmas (common subexpression elimination)

# Implementation



- Java implementation for Kleene algebra with tests
- Uses tree structure with natural correspondence to let expressions
- Graphical representation of library
- Ability to manipulate structure in GUI to see different relations
- Manipulations guided by strong underlying formalism