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Computer Aided Reasoning, Lecture 4

DEMO



- Equality (equal, or =) is an equivalence relation
 - Reflexivity: x = x
 - Symmetry of Equality: $x = y \Rightarrow y = x$
 - Transitivity of Equality: $x = y \land y = z \implies x = z$
- Equality Axiom Schema for Functions: For every function symbol f of arity n we have the axiom

$$\blacktriangleright x_1 = y_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge x_n = y_n \implies (f x_1 \ldots x_n) = (f y_1 \ldots y_n)$$

 In ACL2s, we would write (len (cons x z)) = (len (cons y z)) as (equal/==/= (len (cons x z)) ; equal & == are equal (len (cons y z))); ='s contract requires numbers
 and ≠ bind more tightly than any of the propositional operators

Built-in Functions

- Axioms for built-in functions, such as cons, car, and cdr
- Axioms are theorems we get for "free" characterizing cons, car, cdr, consp, if, equal, etc.
 - \triangleright (car (cons x y)) = x
 - $\blacktriangleright (cdr (cons x y)) = y$
 - ▷ (consp (cons x y)) = t
 - ▶ $x = nil \Rightarrow (if x y z) = z$
 - ▶ $x \neq nil \Rightarrow (if x y z) = y$
- Reason about constant expressions using evaluation

▶ t ≠ nil, (cons 1 ()) = (list 1), 3/9 = 1/3, () = 'nil, ...

Note: from the the semantics of the built-in functions

Built-in Functions

Propositional Logic

- (not p) = (if p nil t)
- (implies p q) = (if p (if q t nil) t)
- > (iff p q) = (if p (if q t nil) (if q nil t))
- By embedding propositional calculus and = in term language, terms (τ) can be interpreted as formulas (τ ≠ nil)
 - ▶ e.g., x as a formula is $x \neq nil$
 - ▶ (foo x y z) as a formula is (foo x y z)≠ nil
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Built-in Functions

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- This is all in GZ, the "ground-zero theory"
- Inference rules include
 - propositional calculus
 - equality
 - instantiation
- ▶ Well-foundedness of ϵ_0
- GZ also is inductively complete: for every φ, GZ contains the first order induction axioms

- When GZ is extended (definitions), the resulting theory is the inductive completion of the extension
- Extension principles: defchoose, encapsulation, defaxiom

Instantiation

- ▶ A substitution σ is a list of the form ((var₁ term₁) ... (var_n term_n))
 - the vars are the "targets" (no repetitions) and the terms are their "images"
 - by f σ we mean, substitute every free occurrence of a target by its image
 - (cons x (let ((y z)) y)) ((x a) (y b) (z c) (w d)) =
 (cons a (let ((y c)) y))
- ▶ Instantiation: If f is a *theorem*, so is $f|\sigma$
 - [len (list x)) = 1 is theorem, so is (len (list (list x y))) = 1
- Are the following substitutions correct? (Review RAP)
 - > (cons 'a b) | ((a (cons a (list c))) (b (cons c nil)))
 - > (cons 'a (cons c nil))
 - > (cons x (f x y f)) | ((x (cons a b)) (f x) (y (app y x)))

(cons (cons a b) (f (cons a b) (app y x) x))

Inference Rules

- Evaluation
- Propositional calculus validities
 - Includes exportation, Modus Ponens, Proof by contradiction, ...
- Equality axioms
 - equality is an equivalence relation, equality schema for functions
- Instantiation
 - Start with built-in axioms
 - New axioms are added via definitional principle
 - Also defaxiom, defchoose, encapsulation, etc can add axioms

How to Prove Theorems

- Once you are done with contract checking, completion & generalization
- ▶ Extract the context by rewriting the conjecture into the form: $[C1 \land C2 \land ... \land Cn] \Rightarrow$ RHS where there are as many hyps as possible
- Derived context. What obvious things follow? Common patterns:
 - > (endp x), (tlp x): x=nil
 - >(tlp x), (consp x): (tlp (rest x))
 - ▶ $\phi_1 \land ... \land \phi_n \Rightarrow \psi$: Derive $\phi_1,...,\phi_n$ and use MP to ψ
- Proof. Use the proof format from RAP.
 - For equality, start with LHS/RHS and end with RHS/LHS or start w/ LHS & reduce, then start w/ RHS & reduce to the same thing
 - ▶ For transitive relation (\Rightarrow , <, ≤, ...) same proof format works
 - For anything else reduce to t

Equational Reasoning

- First step: Exportation, PL simplification
- The goals are
 - have as many hypotheses as possible
 - flatten & simplify the propositional structure of the conjecture



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        (tlp y)
        (consp x)
        (not (equal a (first x)))
        (=> (tlp (rest x))
                          (=> (in a (rest x))
                                 (in a (app (rest x) y)))))
(=> (in a x)
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Notice that we cannot use exportation in the 5th hypothesis

Equational Reasoning

Second Step: contract completion

b do we need any hypotheses?

You can do this first, but it is easier to check after Exportation

Equational Reasoning

- Third Step: Generate context
 - List all hypotheses, derived context
 - Can then focus on remaining goal

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(=> (and (tlp x))
                                                (tlp y)
                                                (consp x)
C1. (tlp x)
                                                (not (equal a (first x)))
C2. (tlp y)
                                                (=> (and (tlp (rest x)))
C3. (consp x)
                                                         (in a (rest x)))
C4. a \neq (first x)
                                                    (in a (app (rest x) y)))
C5. (tlp (rest x)) \wedge (in a (rest x))
     \Rightarrow (in a (app (rest x) y))
                                               (in a x))
C6. (in a x)
                                          (in a (app x y))))
D1. (tlp (rest x)) { C1, Def tlp, C3 }
D2. (in a (rest x)) { C6, Def in, C3, C4, PL }
D3. (in a (app (rest x) y)) { C5, MP, D1, D2 }
Goal: (in a (app x y))
                                     (definec in (a :all X :tl) :bool
 (definec tlp (l :all) :bool
                                       (and (consp X)
   (if (consp l)
                                             (or (== a (first X))
       (tlp (rest l))
                                                 (in a (rest X)))))
     (equal 1 () )))
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Equational Reasoning

- C1. (tlp x)
- C2. (tlp y)
- C3. (consp x)
- C4. $a \neq (first x)$
- C6. (in a x)

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D2. (in a (rest x)) { C6, Def in, C3, C4, PL }
D3. (in a (app (rest x) y)) { C5, MP, D1, D2 }

Goal: (in a (app x y))

Fourth Step: Prove the goal

Term manipulation is now limited to the goal!



Equational Reasoning is Easy Peasy Lemon Squeezy

Fermat's last theorem:

For all positive integers x, y, z and n, where n > 2, $x^n + y^n \neq z^n$

I have a truly marvelous proof of this proposition which this margin is too narrow to contain.

Fermat, 1637

It took 357 years for a correct proof to be found (by Andrew Wiles in 1995).

Fermat's Last Theorem

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We can use Fermat's last theorem to construct a conjecture that is hard to prove.

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(definec fermat (x :pos y :pos z :pos n :pos) :bool
  :ic (> n 2)
  (!= (+ (expt x n) (expt y n)) (expt z n)))
(property (x :pos y :pos z :pos n :pos)
  (=> (> n 2)
      (fermat x y z n)))
                                                      We can play this trick with
                                                      any conjecture.
OR we can define a function that is hard to admit:
                                                      Even restricted to integers,
(defdata true t)
                                                      =, +, *, the validity problem is
(definec fermat (x :pos y :pos z :pos n :pos) :true
                                                      undecidable, so equational
  :ic (> n 2)
  (!= (+ (expt x n) (expt y n)) (expt z n)))
                                                      reasoning can be hard.
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Homework 2

HWK 2 went up today

- ▶ Due in a week (9/27)
- Get partners!



