

Interactive Theorem Proving (ITP) Course Parts XIII, XIV

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Part XIII

Rewriting



Rewriting in HOL



- simplification via rewriting was already a strength of Edinburgh LCF
- it was further improved for Cambridge LCF
- HOL inherited this powerful rewriter
- equational reasoning is still the main workhorse
- there are many different equational reasoning tools in HOL
 - ▶ Rewrite library
inherited from Cambridge LCF
you have seen it in the form of REWRITE_TAC
 - ▶ computeLib — fast evaluation
build for speed, optimised for ground terms
seen in the form of EVAL
 - ▶ simpLib — Simplification
sophisticated rewrite engine, HOL's main workhorse
not discussed in this lecture, yet
 - ▶ ...

Semantic Foundations



- we have seen primitive inference rules for equality before

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash s = t \quad \Delta \vdash u = v \quad \text{types fit}}{\Gamma \cup \Delta \vdash s(u) = t(v)} \text{ COMB}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash s = t \quad x \text{ not free in } \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. s = \lambda x. t} \text{ ABS}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash s = t \quad \Delta \vdash t = u}{\Gamma \cup \Delta \vdash s = u} \text{ TRANS}$$

$$\frac{}{\vdash t = t} \text{ REFL}$$

- these rules allow us to replace any subterm with an equal one
- this is the core of rewriting

Conversions



- in HOL, equality reasoning is implemented by **conversions**
- a conversion is a SML function of type `term -> thm`
- given a term `t`, a conversion
 - ▶ produce a theorem of the form `|- t = t'`
 - ▶ raise an `UNCHANGED` exception
 - ▶ fail, i. e. raise an `HOL_ERR` exception

Example

```
> BETA_CONV '(\x. SUC x) y'  
val it = |- (\x. SUC x) y = SUC y  
  
> BETA_CONV 'SUC y'  
Exception-HOL_ERR ... raised  
  
> REPEATC BETA_CONV 'SUC y'  
Exception- UNCHANGED raised
```

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Depth Conversionals



- for rewriting depth-conversionals are important
- a depth-conversional applies a conversion to all subterms
- there are many different ones
 - ▶ `ONCE_DEPTH_CONV c` — top down, applies `c` once at highest possible positions in distinct subterms
 - ▶ `TOP_SWEEP_CONV c` — top down, like `ONCE_DEPTH_CONV`, but continues processing rewritten terms
 - ▶ `TOP_DEPTH_CONV c` — top down, like `TOP_SWEEP_CONV`, but try top-level again after change
 - ▶ `DEPTH_CONV c` — bottom up, recurse over subterms, then apply `c` repeatedly at top-level
 - ▶ `REDEPTH_CONV c` — bottom up, like `DEPTH_CONV`, but revisits subterms

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Conversionals



- similar to tactics and tacticals there are **conversionals** for conversions
- conversionals allow building conversions from simpler ones
- there are many of them
 - ▶ `THENC`
 - ▶ `ORELSEC`
 - ▶ `REPEATC`
 - ▶ `TRY_CONV`
 - ▶ `RAND_CONV`
 - ▶ `RATOR_CONV`
 - ▶ `ABS_CONV`
 - ▶ ...

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REWR_CONV



- it remains to rewrite terms at top-level
- this is achieved by `REWR_CONV`
- given a theorem and a term `t` and a theorem `|- t1 = t2`, `REWR_CONV t thm`
 - ▶ searches an instantiation of term and type variables such that `t1` becomes α -equivalent to `t`
 - ▶ fails, if no instantiation is found
 - ▶ otherwise, instantiate the theorem and get `|- t1' = t2'`
 - ▶ return theorem `|- t = t2'`

Example

```
term LENGTH [1;2;3], theorem |- LENGTH ((x:'a)::xs) = SUC (LENGTH xs)  
found type instantiation: ['a::'a' |-> 'num']  
found term instantiation: ['x:num' |-> '1'; 'xs' |-> '[2;3]']  
returned theorem: |- LENGTH [1;2;3] = SUC (LENGTH [2;3])
```

- the tricky part is finding the instantiation
- this problem is called the (term) **matching** problem

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Term Matching



- given term t_org and a term t_goal try to find
 - type substitution ty_s
 - term substitution tm_s
- such that $subst\ tm_s\ (inst\ ty_s\ t_org) \equiv_{\alpha} t_goal$
- this can be easily implemented by a recursive search

t_org	t_goal	action
$t1_org\ t2_org$	$t1_goal\ t2_goal$	recurse
$t1_org\ t2_org$	otherwise	fail
$\backslash x. t_org\ x$	$\backslash y. t_goal\ y$	match types of x, y and recurse
$\backslash x. t_org\ x$	otherwise	fail
const	same const	match types
const	otherwise	fail
var	anything	try to bind var, take care of existing bindings

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Higher Order Term Matching



- term matching searches for substitutions such that t_org becomes α -equivalent to t_goal
- higher order term matching** searches for substitutions such that t_org becomes t_subst such that the $\beta\eta$ -normalform of t_subst is α -equivalent equivalent to $\beta\eta$ -normalform of t_goal , i.e.
higher order term matching is aware of the semantics of λ

β -reduction $(\lambda x. f)\ y = f[y/x]$

η -conversion $(\lambda x. f\ x) = f$ where x is not free in f

- the HOL implementation expects t_org to be a **higher-order pattern**
 - t_org is β -reduced
 - if X is a variable that should be instantiated, then all arguments should be distinct variables
- for other forms of t_org , HOL's implementation might fail
- higher order matching is used by `HOL.REWR_CONV`

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Examples Term Matching



t_org	t_goal	substs
$LENGTH\ ((x:'a)::xs)$	$LENGTH\ [1;2;3]$	$'a \rightarrow num, x \rightarrow 1, xs \rightarrow [2;3]$
$[]:'a\ list$	$[]:'b\ list$	$'a \rightarrow 'b$
0	0	empty substitution
$b \wedge T$	$(P\ (x:'a) ==> Q) \wedge T$	$b \rightarrow P\ x ==> Q$
$b \wedge b$	$P\ x \wedge P\ x$	$b \rightarrow P\ x$
$b \wedge b$	$P\ x \wedge P\ y$	fail
$!x:num. P\ x \wedge Q\ x$	$!y:num. P'\ y \wedge Q'\ y$	$P \rightarrow P', Q \rightarrow Q'$
$!x:num. P\ x \wedge Q\ x$	$!y. (2 = y) \wedge Q'\ y$	$P \rightarrow (\$ = 2), Q \rightarrow Q'$
$!x:num. P\ x \wedge Q\ x$	$!y. (y = 2) \wedge Q'\ y$	fail

- it is often very annoying that the last match fails
- it prevents us for example rewriting $!y. (2 = y) \wedge Q\ y$ to $(!y. (2=y)) \wedge (!y. Q\ y)$
- Can we do better? Yes, with higher order (term) matching.

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Examples Higher Order Term Matching



t_org	t_goal	substs
$!x:num. P\ x \wedge Q\ x$	$!y. (y = 2) \wedge Q'\ y$	$P \rightarrow (\backslash y. y = 2), Q \rightarrow Q'$
$!x. P\ x \wedge Q\ x$	$!x. P\ x \wedge Q\ x \wedge Z\ x$	$Q \rightarrow \backslash x. Q\ x \wedge Z\ x$
$!x. P\ x \wedge Q$	$!x. P\ x \wedge Q\ x$	fails
$!x. P\ (x, x)$	$!x. Q\ x$	fails
$!x. P\ (x, x)$	$!x. FST\ (x,x) = SND\ (x,x)$	$P \rightarrow \backslash xx. FST\ xx = SND\ xx$

**Don't worry, it might look complicated, but
in practice it is easy to get a feeling for higher order matching.**

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- the rewrite library combines REWR_CONV with depth conversions
- there are many different conversions, rules and tactics
- at they core, they all work very similarly
 - ▶ given a list of theorems, a set of rewrite theorems is derived
 - ★ split conjunctions
 - ★ remove outermost universal quantification
 - ★ introduce equations by adding = T (or = F) if needed
 - ▶ REWR_CONV is applied to all the resulting rewrite theorems
 - ▶ a depth-conversion is used with resulting conversion
- for performance reasons an efficient indexing structure is used
- by default implicit rewrites are added

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Ho_Rewrite Library

- similar to Rewrite lib, but uses higher order matching
- internally uses HO_REWR_CONV
- similar conversions, rules and tactics as Rewrite lib
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.REWRITE_CONV
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.REWRITE_RULE
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.REWRITE_TAC
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.ASM_REWRITE_TAC
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.ONCE_REWRITE_TAC
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.PURE_REWRITE_TAC
 - ▶ Ho_Rewrite.PURE_ONCE_REWRITE_TAC
 - ▶ ...

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- REWRITE_CONV
- REWRITE_RULE
- REWRITE_TAC
- ASM_REWRITE_TAC
- ONCE_REWRITE_TAC
- PURE_REWRITE_TAC
- PURE_ONCE_REWRITE_TAC
- ...

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Examples Rewrite and Ho_Rewrite Library



```
> REWRITE_CONV [LENGTH] ``LENGTH [1;2]``
val it = |- LENGTH [1; 2] = SUC (SUC 0)

> ONCE_REWRITE_CONV [LENGTH] ``LENGTH [1;2]``
val it = |- LENGTH [1; 2] = SUC (LENGTH [2])

> ONCE_REWRITE_CONV [LENGTH] ``LENGTH [1;2]``
val it = |- LENGTH [1; 2] = SUC (LENGTH [2])

> REWRITE_CONV [] ``A /\ A /\ ~A``
Exception- UNCHANGED raised

> PURE_REWRITE_CONV [NOT_AND] ``A /\ A /\ ~A``
val it = |- A /\ A /\ ~A <=> A /\ F

> REWRITE_CONV [NOT_AND] ``A /\ A /\ ~A``
val it = |- A /\ A /\ ~A <=> F

> REWRITE_CONV [FORALL_AND_THM] ``!x. P x /\ Q x /\ R x``
Exception- UNCHANGED raised

> Ho_Rewrite.REWRITE_CONV [FORALL_AND_THM] ``!x. P x /\ Q x /\ R x``
val it = |- !x. P x /\ Q x /\ R x <=> (!x. P x) /\ (!x. Q x) /\ (!x. R x)
```

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- the Rewrite and Ho_Rewrite library provide powerful infrastructure for term rewriting
- thanks to clever implementations they are reasonably efficient
- basics are easily explained
- however, efficient usage needs some experience



- to use rewriting efficiently, one needs to understand about term rewriting systems
- this is a large topic
- one can easily give whole course just about term rewriting systems
- however, in practise you quickly get a feeling
- important points in practise
 - ▶ ensure termination of your rewrites
 - ▶ make sure they work nicely together

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Term Rewriting Systems — Termination



Theory

- choose well-founded order $<$
- for each rewrite theorem $t1 = t2$ ensure $t2 < t1$

Practice

- informally define for yourself what **simpler** means
- ensure each rewrite makes terms simpler
- good heuristics
 - ▶ subterms are simpler than whole term
 - ▶ use an order on functions

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Termination — Subterm examples



- a proper subterm is always simpler
 - ▶ `!l. APPEND [] l = l`
 - ▶ `!n. n + 0 = n`
 - ▶ `!l. REVERSE (REVERSE l) = l`
 - ▶ `!t1 t2. if T then t1 else t2 <=> t1`
 - ▶ `!n. n * 0 = 0`
- the right hand side should not use extra vars, throwing parts away is usually simpler
 - ▶ `!x xs. (SNOC x xs = []) = T`
 - ▶ `!x xs. LENGTH (x::xs) = SUC (LENGTH xs)`
 - ▶ `!n x xs. DROP (SUC n) (x::xs) = DROP n xs`

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Termination — use simpler terms



- it is useful to consider some functions simple and other complicated
- replace complicated ones with simple ones
- never do it in the opposite direction
- clear examples
 - ▶ `| - !m n. MEM m (COUNT_LIST n) <=> (m < n)`
 - ▶ `| - !ls n. (DROP n ls = []) <=> (n >= LENGTH ls)`
- unclear examples
 - ▶ `| - !L. REVERSE L = REV L []`

Termination — Normalforms



- some equations can be used in both directions
- one should decide on one direction
- this implicitly defines a **normalform** one wants terms to be in
- examples
 - ▶ `| - !f l. MAP f (REVERSE l) = REVERSE (MAP f l)`
 - ▶ `| - !l1 l2 l3. l1 ++ (l2 ++ l3) = l1 ++ l2 ++ l3`

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Termination — Problematic rewrite rules



- some equations immediately lead to non-termination, e. g.
 - ▶ `| - !m n. m + n = n + m`
 - ▶ `| - !m. m = m + 0`
- slightly more subtle are rules like
 - ▶ `| - !n. fact n = if (n = 0) then 1 else n * fact(n-1)`
- often combination of multiple rules leads to non-termination
this is especially problematic when adding to predefined set of rewrites
 - ▶ `| - !m n p. m + (n + p) = (m + n) + p` and
`| - !m n p. (m + n) + p = m + (n + p)`

Rewrites working together



- rewrite rules should not compete with each other
- if a term `ta` can be rewritten to `ta1` and `ta2` applying different rewrite rules, then the `ta1` and `ta2` should be further rewritten to a common `tb`
- this can often be achieved by adding extra rewrite rules

Example

Assume we have the rewrite rules `| - DOUBLE n = n + n` and `| - EVEN (DOUBLE n) = T`.

With these the term `EVEN (DOUBLE 2)` can be rewritten to

- `T` or
- `EVEN (2 + 2)`.

To avoid a hard to predict result, `EVEN (2+2)` should be rewritten to `T`. Adding an extra rewrite rule `| - EVEN (n + n) = T` achieves this.

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- to design rewrite systems that work well, normalforms are vital
- a term is in **normalform**, if it cannot be rewritten any further
- one should have a clear idea what the normalform of common terms looks like
- all rules should work together to establish this normalform
- the right-hand-side of each rule should be in normalform
- the left-hand-side should not be simplifiable by any other rule
- the order in which rules are applied should not influence the final result

- `computeLib` is the library behind EVAL
- it is a rewriting library designed for evaluating ground terms (i. e. terms without variables) efficiently
- it uses a call-by-value strategy similar to SML's
- it uses first order term matching
- it performs β reduction in addition to rewrites

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compset



EVAL



- `computeLib` uses `compsets` to store its rewrites
- a `compset` stores
 - ▶ rewrite rules
 - ▶ extra conversions
- the extra conversions are guarded by a term pattern for efficiency
- users can define their own `compsets`
- however, `computeLib` maintains one special `compset` called `the_compset`
- `the_compset` is used by EVAL

- EVAL uses `the_compset`
- tools like the `Datatype` of TFL automatically extend `the_compset`
- this way, EVAL knows about (nearly) all types and functions
- one can extend `the_compset` manually as well
- rewrites exported by `Define` are good for ground terms but may lead to non-termination for non-ground terms
- `zDefine` prevents TFL from automatically extending `the_compset`

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- simplib is a sophisticated rewrite engine
- it is HOL's main workhorse
- it provides
 - ▶ higher order rewriting
 - ▶ usage of context information
 - ▶ conditional rewriting
 - ▶ arbitrary conversions
 - ▶ support for decision procedures
 - ▶ simple heuristics to avoid non-termination
 - ▶ fancier preprocessing of rewrite theorems
 - ▶ ...
- it is very powerful, but compared to Rewrite lib sometimes slow

- simplib uses **simpsets**
- simpsets are special datatypes storing
 - ▶ rewrite rules
 - ▶ conversions
 - ▶ decision procedures
 - ▶ congruence rules
 - ▶ ...
- in addition there are simpset-fragments
- simpset-fragments contain similar information as simpsets
- fragments can be added to and removed from simpsets
- most important simpset is std_ss

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Basic Usage II

Basic Simplifier Examples

- a call to the simplifier takes as arguments
 - ▶ a simpset
 - ▶ a list of rewrite theorems
- common high-level entry points are
 - ▶ SIMP_CONV ss thmL — conversion
 - ▶ SIMP_RULE ss thmL — rule
 - ▶ SIMP_TAC ss thmL — tactic without considering assumptions
 - ▶ ASM_SIMP_TAC ss thmL — tactic using assumptions to simplify goal
 - ▶ FULL_SIMP_TAC ss thmL — tactic simplifying assumptions with each other and goal with assumptions
 - ▶ REV_FULL_SIMP_TAC ss thmL — similar to FULL_SIMP_TAC but with reversed order of assumptions
- there are many derived tools not discussed here

```
> SIMP_CONV bool_ss [LENGTH] 'LENGTH [1;2] '
val it = |- LENGTH [1; 2] = SUC (SUC 0)
```

```
> SIMP_CONV std_ss [LENGTH] 'LENGTH [1;2] '
val it = |- LENGTH [1; 2] = 2
```

```
> SIMP_CONV list_ss [] 'LENGTH [1;2] '
val it = |- LENGTH [1; 2] = 2
```

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Common simpsets



- `pure_ss` — empty simpset
- `bool_ss` — basic simpset
- `std_ss` — standard simpset
- `arith_ss` — arithmetic simpset
- `list_ss` — list simpset
- `real_ss` — real simpset

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Build-In Conversions and Decision Procedures



- in contrast to `Rewrite` lib the simplifier can run arbitrary conversions
- most useful is probably β reduction
- `std_ss` has support for basic arithmetic and numerals
- it also has simple, syntactic conversions for instantiating quantifiers
 - ▶ `!x. ... /\ (x = c) /\ ... ==> ...`
 - ▶ `!x. ... \/ ~(x = c) \/ ...`
 - ▶ `?x. ... /\ (x = c) /\ ...`
- besides very useful conversions, there are decision procedures as well
- the most frequently used one is probably the arithmetic decision procedure you already know from `DECIDE`

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Common simpset-fragments



- many theories and libraries provide their own simpset-fragments
- `PRED_SET_ss` — simplify sets
- `STRING_ss` — simplify strings
- `QI_ss` — extra quantifier instantiations
- `gen_beta_ss` — β reduction for pairs
- `ETA_ss` — η conversion
- `EQUIV_EXTRACT_ss` — extract common part of equivalence
- `CONJ_ss` — use conjunctions for context
- ...

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Examples I



```
> SIMP_CONV std_ss [] ``(\x. x + 2) 5``
val it = |- (\x. x + 2) 5 = 7

> SIMP_CONV std_ss [] ``!x. Q x /\ (x = 7) ==> P x``
val it = |- (!x. Q x /\ (x = 7) ==> P x) <=> (Q 7 ==> P 7)``

> SIMP_CONV std_ss [] ``?x. Q x /\ (x = 7) /\ P x``
val it = |- (?x. Q x /\ (x = 7) /\ P x) <=> (Q 7 /\ P 7)``

> SIMP_CONV std_ss [] ``x > 7 ==> x > 5``
Exception- UNCHANGED raised

> SIMP_CONV arith_ss [] ``x > 7 ==> x > 5``
val it = |- (x > 7 ==> x > 5) <=> T
```

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- the simplifier supports higher order rewriting
- this is often very handy
- for example it allows moving quantifiers around easily

Examples

```
> SIMP_CONV std_ss [FORALL_AND_THM] ‘‘!x. P x /\ Q /\ R x’’
val it = |- (!x. P x /\ Q /\ R x) <=>
          (!x. P x) /\ Q /\ (!x. R x)

> SIMP_CONV std_ss [GSYM RIGHT_EXISTS_AND_THM, GSYM LEFT_FORALL_IMP_THM]
‘‘!y. (P y /\ (?x. y = SUC x)) ==> Q y’’
val it = |- (!y. P y /\ (?x. y = SUC x) ==> Q y) <=>
          !x. P (SUC x) ==> Q (SUC x)
```

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Context Examples

```
> SIMP_CONV std_ss [] ‘‘((l = []) ==> P l) /\ Q l’’
val it = |- ((l = []) ==> P l) /\ Q l <=>
          ((l = []) ==> P []) /\ Q l

> SIMP_CONV arith_ss [] ‘‘if (c /\ x < 5) then (P c /\ x < 6) else Q c’’
val it = |- (if c /\ x < 5 then P c /\ x < 6 else Q c) <=>
          if c /\ x < 5 then P T else Q c:

> SIMP_CONV std_ss [] ‘‘P x /\ (Q x /\ P x ==> Z x)’’
Exception- UNCHANGED raised

> SIMP_CONV (std_ss+boolSims.CONJ_ss) [] ‘‘P x /\ (Q x /\ P x ==> Z x)’’
val it = |- P x /\ (Q x /\ P x ==> Z x) <=> P x /\ (Q x ==> Z x)
```

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- a great feature of the simplifier is that it can use context information
- by default simple context information is used like
 - ▶ the precondition of an implication
 - ▶ the condition of if-then-else
- one can configure which context to use via congruence rules
 - ▶ by using CONJ_ss one can easily use context of conjunctions
 - ▶ warning: using CONJ_ss can be slow
 - ▶ using other contexts is outside the scope of this lecture
- using context often simplifies proofs drastically
 - ▶ using Rewrite lib, often a goal needs to be split and a precondition moved to the assumptions
 - ▶ then ASM_REWRITE_TAC can be used
 - ▶ with SIMP_TAC there is no need to split the goal

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Conditional Rewriting I



- perhaps the most powerful feature of the simplifier is that it supports conditional rewriting
- this means it allows **conditional** rewrite theorem of the form
 - |- cond ==> (t1 = t2)
- if the simplifier finds a term t1' it can rewrite via t1 = t2 to t2', it tries to discharge the assumption cond'
- for this, it calls itself recursively on cond'
 - ▶ all the decision procedures and all context information is used
 - ▶ conditional rewriting can be used
 - ▶ to prevent divergence, there is a limit on recursion depth
- if cond' = T can be shown, t1' is rewritten to t2'
- otherwise t1' is not modified

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Conditional Rewriting II



- conditional rewriting is a very powerful technique
- decision procedures and sophisticated rewrites can be used to discharge preconditions without cluttering proof state
- it provides a powerful search for theorems that apply
- however, if used naively, it can be slow
- moreover, to work well, rewrite theorems need to be of a special form

Conditional Rewriting Pitfalls I

- if the pattern is too general, the simplifier becomes very slow
- consider the following, trivial but hopefully useful example

Looping example

```
> val my_thm = prove ('~P ==> (P = F)', PROVE_TAC[])
> time (SIMP_CONV std_ss [my_thm]) 'P1 /\ P2 /\ P3 /\ ... /\ P10'
runtime: 0.84000s, gctime: 0.02400s, systime: 0.02400s.
Exception- UNCHANGED raised

> time (SIMP_CONV std_ss []) 'P1 /\ P2 /\ P3 /\ ... /\ P10'
runtime: 0.00000s, gctime: 0.00000s, systime: 0.00000s.
Exception- UNCHANGED raised
```

- ▶ notice that the rewrite is applied at plenty of places (quadratic in number of conjuncts)
- ▶ notice that each backchaining triggers many more backchainings
- ▶ each has to be aborted to prevent diverging
- ▶ as a result, the simplifier becomes very slow
- ▶ incidentally, the conditional rewrite is useless

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Conditional Rewriting Example



- consider the conditional rewrite theorem
 $\text{!}1\ n. \text{LENGTH } l \leq n \implies (\text{DROP } n\ l = [])$
- let's assume we want to prove
 $(\text{DROP } 7\ [1;2;3;4]) ++ [5;6;7] = [5;6;7]$
- we can without conditional rewriting
 - ▶ show $\text{!}l. \text{LENGTH } [1;2;3;4] \leq 7$
 - ▶ use this to discharge the precondition of the rewrite theorem
 - ▶ use the resulting theorem to rewrite the goal
- with conditional rewriting, this is all automated

```
> SIMP_CONV list_ss [DROP_LENGTH_TOO_LONG]
  '(DROP 7 [1;2;3;4]) ++ [5;6;7]'
val it = !- DROP 7 [1; 2; 3; 4] ++ [5; 6; 7] = [5; 6; 7]
```
- conditional rewriting often shortens proofs considerably

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Conditional Rewriting Pitfalls II



- good conditional rewrites $\text{!}l. c \implies (l = r)$ should mention only variables in c that appear in l
- if c contains extra variables $x_1 \dots x_n$, the conditional rewrite engine has to search instantiations for them
- this means that conditional rewriting is trying to discharge the precondition $?x_1 \dots x_n. c$
- the simplifier is usually not able to find such instances

Transitivity

```
> val P_def = Define 'P x y = x < y';
> val my_thm = prove ('!x y z. P x y ==> P y z ==> P x z', ...)
> SIMP_CONV arith_ss [my_thm] 'P 2 3 /\ P 3 4 ==> P 2 4'
Exception- UNCHANGED raised

(* However transitivity of < build in via decision procedure *)
> SIMP_CONV arith_ss [P_def] 'P 2 3 /\ P 3 4 ==> P 2 4'
val it = !- P 2 3 /\ P 3 4 ==> P 2 4 <=> T:
```

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Conditional vs. Unconditional Rewrite Rules



- conditional rewrite rules are often much more powerful
- however, Rewrite lib does not support them
- for this reason there are often two versions of rewrite theorems

drop example

- DROP_LENGTH_NIL is a useful rewrite rule:

$$\vdash !l. \text{DROP} (\text{LENGTH } l) l = []$$
- in proofs, one needs to be careful though to preserve exactly this form
 - ▶ one should not (partly) evaluate LENGTH l or modify l somehow
- with the conditional rewrite rule DROP_LENGTH_TOO_LONG one does not need to be as careful

$$\vdash !l n. \text{LENGTH } l \leq n \implies (\text{DROP } n l = [])$$
 - ▶ the simplifier can use simplify the precondition using information about LENGTH and even arithmetic decision procedures

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Relations



- a relation is a function from some arguments to bool
- the following example types are all types of relations:
 - ▶ : 'a -> 'a -> bool
 - ▶ : 'a -> 'b -> bool
 - ▶ : 'a -> 'b -> 'c -> 'd -> bool
 - ▶ : ('a # 'b # 'c) -> bool
 - ▶ : bool
 - ▶ : 'a -> bool
- relations are closely related to sets
 - ▶ $R \ a \ b \ c \iff (a, b, c) \in \{(a, b, c) \mid R \ a \ b \ c\}$
 - ▶ $(a, b, c) \in S \iff (\lambda a \ b \ c. (a, b, c) \in S) \ a \ b \ c$

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Part XIV

Advanced Definition Principles



Relations II



- relations are often defined by a set of **rules**

Definition of Reflexive-Transitive Closure

The transitive reflexive closure of a relation $R : 'a \rightarrow 'a \rightarrow \text{bool}$ can be defined as the least relation $\text{RTC } R$ that satisfies the following rules:

$$\frac{R \ x \ y}{\text{RTC } R \ x \ y} \quad \frac{}{\text{RTC } R \ x \ x} \quad \frac{\text{RTC } R \ x \ y \quad \text{RTC } R \ y \ z}{\text{RTC } R \ x \ z}$$

- if the rules are monoton, a least and a greatest fix point exists (Knaster-Tarski theorem)
- least fixpoints give rise to **inductive relations**
- greatest fixpoints give rise to **coinductive relations**

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- (Co)IndDefLib provides infrastructure for defining (co)inductive relations
- given a set of rules `Hol_(co)reln` defines (co)inductive relations
- 3 theorems are returned and stored in current theory
 - ▶ a rules theorem — it states that the defined constant satisfies the rules
 - ▶ a cases theorem — this is an equational form of the rules showing that the defined relation is indeed a fixpoint
 - ▶ a (co)induction theorem
- additionally a strong (co)induction theorem is stored in current theory



```
> val (RTC_REL_rules, RTC_REL_ind, RTC_REL_cases) = Hol_reln '
  (!x y. R x y ==> RTC_REL R x y) /\
  (!x. RTC_REL R x x) /\
  (!x y z. RTC_REL R x y /\ RTC_REL R x z ==> RTC_REL R x z)';

val RTC_REL_rules = |- !R.
  (!x y. R x y ==> RTC_REL R x y) /\ (!x. RTC_REL R x x) /\
  (!x y z. RTC_REL R x y /\ RTC_REL R x z ==> RTC_REL R x z)

val RTC_REL_cases = |- !R a0 a1.
  RTC_REL R a0 a1 <=>
  (R a0 a1 \\/ (a1 = a0) \\/ ?y. RTC_REL R a0 y /\ RTC_REL R a0 a1)
```

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Example: Transitive Reflexive Closure II



```
val RTC_REL_ind = |- !R RTC_REL'.
  ((!x y. R x y ==> RTC_REL' x y) /\ (!x. RTC_REL' x x) /\
   (!x y z. RTC_REL' x y /\ RTC_REL' x z ==> RTC_REL' x z)) ==>
  (!a0 a1. RTC_REL R a0 a1 ==> RTC_REL' a0 a1)

> val RTC_REL_strongind = DB.fetch "-" "RTC_REL_strongind"

val RTC_REL_strongind = |- !R RTC_REL'.
  (!x y. R x y ==> RTC_REL' x y) /\ (!x. RTC_REL' x x) /\
  (!x y z.
    RTC_REL R x y /\ RTC_REL' x y /\ RTC_REL R x z /\
    RTC_REL' x z ==>
    RTC_REL' x z) ==>
  (!a0 a1. RTC_REL R a0 a1 ==> RTC_REL' a0 a1)
```

Example: EVEN



```
> val (EVEN_REL_rules, EVEN_REL_ind, EVEN_REL_cases) = Hol_reln
  '(EVEN_REL 0) /\ (!n. EVEN_REL n ==> (EVEN_REL (n + 2)))';

val EVEN_REL_cases =
  |- !a0. EVEN_REL a0 <=> (a0 = 0) \\/ ?n. (a0 = n + 2) /\ EVEN_REL n

val EVEN_REL_rules =
  |- EVEN_REL 0 /\ !n. EVEN_REL n ==> EVEN_REL (n + 2)

val EVEN_REL_ind = |- !EVEN_REL'.
  (!a0.
    EVEN_REL' a0 ==>
    (a0 = 0) \\/ ?n. (a0 = n + 2) /\ EVEN_REL' n) ==>
  (!a0. EVEN_REL' a0 ==> EVEN_REL a0)
```

- notice that in this example there is exactly one fixpoint
- therefore for these rule, the induction and coinductive relation coincide

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Example: Dummy Relations



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```
> val (DF_rules, DF_ind, DF_cases) = Hol_reln
  '(!n. DF (n+1) ==> (DF n))'

> val (DT_rules, DT_coind, DT_cases) = Hol_coreln
  '(!n. DT (n+1) ==> (DT n))'

val DT_coind =
  |- !DT'. (!a0. DT' a0 ==> DT' (a0 + 1)) ==> !a0. DT' a0 ==> DT a0

val DF_ind =
  |- !DF'. (!n. DF' (n + 1) ==> DF' n) ==> !a0. DF a0 ==> DF' a0

val DT_cases = |- !a0. DT a0 <=> DT (a0 + 1):
val DF_cases = |- !a0. DF a0 <=> DF (a0 + 1):
```

- notice that for both DT and DF we used essentially a non-derminating recursion
- DT is always true, i.e. $\vdash !n. DT\ n$
- DF is always false, i.e. $\vdash !n. \sim(DF\ n)$

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