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Exercise 1 (Intuitionistic Proof Search)

The algorithm in Theorem 4.1.4 can be streamlined as follows:

- a) When trying to prove $\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B$, it suffices to try (\rightarrow Intro). Explain why.
- b) The attempt to prove $\Gamma \vdash A$ by assumption can be dropped: it is subsumed by the alternative using Lemma 4.1.2. However, the proof obtained can be different. Explain the difference and why the outright proof by assumption is subsumed.
- c) How would the Haskell code from the last tutorial need to be adapted to account for these improvements?

Solution

In the following we will denote the by $(\rightarrow \text{Elim})$ the more general rule described in lemma 4.1.2.

a) Suppose we prove $\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B$ by an application of $(\rightarrow \text{Elim})$. The proof will be of the following format:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A_1 \to \ldots \to A_n \to A \to B}{\Gamma \vdash A \to B} \quad \forall i \le n. \ \Gamma \vdash A_i \to \text{Elim}$$

We can always provide an alternative proof that uses $(\rightarrow \text{Intro})$ first and looks like this:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A_1 \to \ldots \to A_n \to A \to B \quad \forall i \le n. \ \Gamma, A \vdash A_i \quad \Gamma, A \vdash A}{\Gamma, A \vdash B} \to \text{ELIM} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash A \to B \quad \rightarrow \text{INTRO}$$

The case where $\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B$ is proved by assumption is subsumed by the next answer.

b) Proof by assumption is just a special case of $(\rightarrow \text{Elim})$ where n = 0. However, if we drop the assumption rule, proofs can now have a slightly different structure because we try $(\rightarrow \text{Intro})$ first:

$$\frac{A_1 \to \dots \to A_n \to B \in \Gamma' \qquad \forall i \le n. \ \Gamma' \vdash A_i}{\Gamma' \vdash B} \to \text{ELIM}}{\Gamma, A_1 \to \dots \to A_n \to B \vdash A_1 \to \dots \to A_n \to B} \to \text{INTRO } n \text{ TIMES}$$

with

$$\Gamma' := \Gamma, A_1 \to \ldots \to A_n \to B, A_1, \ldots, A_n$$

c) See prover_12_sol.hs.

Exercise 2 (Intuitionistic Proofs)

Prove the following propositions in intuitionistic logic:

- a) $(A \to A) \lor B$
- b) $A \to (B \to A \land B)$
- c) $(A \to C) \to ((B \to C) \to (A \lor B \to C))$

Solution

a) Term: inl $(\lambda x. x)$. Proof:

$$\frac{\overline{A \vdash A}}{\vdash A \to A} \to \mathbf{I} \\ \overline{\vdash (A \to A) \lor B} \lor \mathbf{I}_1$$

b) Term: $\lambda x y. \langle x, y \rangle$. Proof:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \hline A, B \vdash A & \hline A, B \vdash B \\ \hline A, B \vdash A \land B \\ \hline \hline A, B \vdash A \land B \\ \hline \hline A \vdash B \rightarrow (A \land B) \\ \hline \vdash A \rightarrow B \rightarrow (A \land B) \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow I$$

c) Term: $\lambda x y z$. case $z \text{ of inl } a \Rightarrow x a | \text{ inr } b \Rightarrow y b$. Proof:

Homework 3 (Weak Normalization with Pairs)

We previously proved (Exercise 8.2) that every type-correct λ^{\rightarrow} -term has a β -normal form. Adapt the proof to accomodate for the extension of the simply typed lambda calculus with pairs.

Homework 4 (From Proof Terms to Propositions)

Consider the following proof term:

- $\lambda q. \ \lambda p. \ case \ \pi_1 \ p \ of \ inl \ a \Rightarrow inl \ <\pi_1 \ q, \ <a, \ \pi_2 \ p >> \ | \ inr \ b \Rightarrow \ inr \ <\pi_2 \ q, \ b >$
- a) Exhibit the proposition that is proved by this term.
- b) Give the corresponding proof tree.

Homework 5 (Intuitionistic Proofs)

Prove the following propositions in pure logic, without lambda-terms, and write down the λ -term corresponding to each proof:

- a) $\neg (A \lor B) \rightarrow \neg A \land \neg B$
- b) $\neg A \land \neg B \to \neg (A \lor B)$