

形式化方法导引

第 6 章 案例分析

6.3 – Coq: A Prover based on Higher-order Logic

6.3.1 Introduction & 6.3.2 Basics

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1. Introduction

What is **Coq** proof assistant?

- an environment for developing **mathematical** facts
 - defining objects (integers, sets, trees, functions, programs ...)
 - making statements (using basic predicates and logical connectives)
 - writing proofs

Main functions of Coq?

- compiler
 - automatically checks the correctness of definitions
 - **automatically** checks the correctness of **proofs**
- environment
 - advanced notations; proof search; modular developments
 - program extraction towards languages like Ocaml and Haskell

1. Introduction

Impressive examples in different areas?

- pure mathematics
 - the Fundamental theorem of Algebra
 - every polynomial has a root in complex field
 - Feit-Thompson theorem on finite groups
 - the four-color theorem ...
- formalizing programming environments
 - JavaCard platform ~ the Gemalto and Trusted Logic companies
 - the [highest level](#) of certification ([common criteria EAL 7](#))
 - CompCert: a certified [optimizing compiler](#) for C
 - Certicrypt: an environment of formal proofs for [computational cryptography](#)
 - Ynot library: for proving imperative programs using [separation logic](#)

1. Introduction

Related systems?

- similar to HOL systems
 - a family of interactive theorem provers based on Church's **higher-order logic**
 - including Isabelle/HOL, HOL4, HOL-light, PVS
- Difference from HOL systems
 - Coq is based on an **intuitionistic** type theory
 - functions are **programs** that can be **computed**

Websites or Books?

- Official website: <https://coq.inria.fr>
- Coq'art book
- Software Foundations
- Coq in a Hurry

1. Introduction

Coq architecture (v8.14.1,v8.15.1)

- Two-levels architecture
 - **small kernel** based on a **language** with few **primitive** constructions
 - functions, (co)-inductive definitions, product types, sorts
 - a limited number of rules for type-checking and computation
 - **rich environment**
 - to help designing theories and proofs offering mechanisms
 - like user extensible notations, tactics for proof automation, libraries
 - can be used and extended safely
 - ultimately any definition and proof is checked by a safe kernel

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```
@eq Z (Zpos (xI (xO xH))) (Zplus (Zpos (xO xH)) (Zpos (xI xH)))
```

1. Introduction

Program verification in Coq

- One can **express the property** “the program **p** is correct” as a **mathematical statement**, and **prove** it is correct
- One can **develop** a specific program **analyzer** (model-checking, abstract interpretation, . . .) in Coq, **prove** it correct and **use** it
- One can
 - represent the program **p** by a Coq **term t**
 - represent the specification by a type **T**
 - such that **t : T** (which is **automatically checked**) implies **p** is correct
 - It works well for functional (possibly monadic) programs
- One can use an **external tool** to **generate proof obligations** and then use **Coq to solve obligations**.

2. Basics - 2.1 Basic Terms

A Coq object in the environment has a *name* and a *type*

Command: **Check** *term*

- takes a *term* as an argument
- checks it is well-formed
- displays its *type*

```
Check nat.
```

```
nat  
  : Set
```

The object *nat* is a predefined type for natural numbers

- its *type* is a special constant **Set** called a *sort*.

2. Basics - 2.1 Basic Terms

A Coq object in the environment has a *name* and a *type*

```
Check 0.
```

```
0
   : nat
```

The constant 0 has type nat

```
Check S.
```

```
S
   : nat -> nat
```

The object *S* is the successor function

- it has type $\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$

```
Check plus.
```

```
Nat.add
   : nat -> nat -> nat
```

The binary function *plus* has type $\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$

- which should be read as $\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$

2. Basics - 2.1 Basic Terms

A **function** f can be applied to a **term** t using the notation $f\ t$.

- The term $f\ t_1\ t_2$ stands for $(f\ t_1)\ t_2$
- The natural number 10
 - a notation for the **successor function** applied 10 times to 0
- The usual infix notation $t_1 + t_2$ can be used instead of plus $t_1\ t_2$

Check $(3+2)$.

```
3 + 2
    : nat
```

2. Basics - 2.1 Basic Terms

In Coq, logical **propositions** are also seen as **terms**.

- The **type** of propositions is the sort **Prop**

Paper notations ~ Coq input

\perp	\top	$t = u$	$t \neq u$	$\neg P$	$P \wedge Q$	$P \vee Q$	$P \rightarrow Q$	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
False	True	t=u	t<>u	~P	P /\ Q	P \/ Q	P -> Q	P <-> Q

$\forall x, P$	forall x, P	forall x:T, P	forall T (x y:T) (z:nat), P
$\exists x, P$	exists x, P	exists x:T, P	<i>no multiple bindings</i>

2. Basics - 2.1 Basic Terms

The **command** **Check** verifies a proposition is **well-formed**

- but does **not** say if it is true or not

```
Check (1+2=3) .
```

```
1 + 2 = 3  
      : Prop
```

```
Check (forall x:nat, exists y, x=y+y) .
```

```
forall x : nat, exists y : nat, x = y + y  
      : Prop
```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

问: How to produce a **proof** to establish a proposition is true?

Backward reasoning with **tactics**

- A tactic transforms a **goal** into a set of **subgoals**
 - solving these **subgoals** is **sufficient** to solve the **original goal**

问: How to introduce a new goal?

Command: the following commands with `prop (prop : Prop)`

- **Lemma** `id : prop`
- **Theorem** `id : prop`
- **Goal** `prop.`

```
Lemma ex1: forall A B C:Prop,  
(A -> B -> C) -> (A -> B) -> A -> C.
```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

问: The format of a **proof**?

Curry-Howard isomorphism (柯里-霍华德同构)

- A **proof** of a **proposition** A is represented by a **term** of **type** A

问: Result of Curry-Howard isomorphism?

There is **only** one form of judgment $\Gamma \vdash p : A$

- The **environment** Γ is a **list** of **names** associated with types $x : T$
- When A is a type of **objects** (e.g., $x : \text{nat} \vdash x : \text{nat}$)
 - p is **well-formed** in the environment Γ and has type A
- When A is a **proposition** (e.g., $x : \text{nat}, h : x = 1 \vdash \dots : x \neq 0$)
 - A is **provable** under the assumption of Γ and p is a **witness** of that proof

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

问: Rules for a proof?

- axiom rule
- introduction rules
- elimination rules

Axiom rule

- The goal to be proven is directly a hypothesis

- The logical rule and tactics:

$\frac{h : A \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash h : A}$	exact h or assumption
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2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

Introduction rules for some connectives (e.g., \rightarrow , \vee , \wedge ...)

- give a mean to prove a proposition formed with that connective
 - if we can prove simpler propositions

e.g.

\rightarrow	$\frac{\Gamma, h:A \vdash ? : B}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \rightarrow B}$	<code>intro h</code>
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$$\frac{\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \phi \\ \vdots \\ \psi \\ \hline \end{array}}{\phi \rightarrow \psi} \rightarrow i$$

- A tactic will work with a still unresolved goal
 - that we indicate using ? in place of the proof-term

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

Elimination rules for some connectives (e.g., \rightarrow , \vee , \wedge ...)

- explains how we can use a proof of a proposition with that connective

e.g.

$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h:A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : B}$	apply h
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$$\frac{\phi \quad \phi \rightarrow \psi}{\psi} \rightarrow e$$

例: Lemma ex1: $\forall A \ B \ C : Prop, (A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow A \rightarrow C$

$\frac{h : A \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash h : A}$	exact h or assumption	\rightarrow	$\frac{\Gamma, h:A \vdash ? : B}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \rightarrow B}$	intro h
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h:A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : B}$				apply h

```

Lemma ex1: forall A B C:Prop,
(A -> B -> C) -> (A -> B) -> A -> C.
Proof.
intro h1.
intro h2.
intro h3.
intro h4.
intro h5.
intro h6.
apply h4.
assumption.
apply h5.
assumption.
Qed.

```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

	introduction		elimination	
\perp			$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : \mathbf{False}}{\Gamma \vdash ? : C}$	exfalse
\neg	$\frac{\Gamma, h:A \vdash ? : \mathbf{False}}{\Gamma \vdash ? : \neg A}$	intro h	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : \neg A \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : C}$	destruct h
\rightarrow	$\frac{\Gamma, h:A \vdash ? : B}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \rightarrow B}$	intro h	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : B}$	apply h
\forall	$\frac{\Gamma, y:A \vdash ? : B[x \leftarrow y]}{\Gamma \vdash ? : \forall x:A, B}$	intro y	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : \forall x:A, B \quad \Gamma \vdash t:A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : B[x \leftarrow t]}$	apply h with $(x := t)$
\wedge	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : B}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \wedge B}$	split	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : A \wedge B \quad \Gamma, l:A, m:B \vdash ? : C}{\Gamma \vdash ? : C}$	destruct h as (l, m)
\vee	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \vee B}$ $\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : B}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A \vee B}$	left right	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : A \vee B \quad \Gamma, l:A \vdash ? : C \quad \Gamma, l:B \vdash ? : C}{\Gamma \vdash ? : C}$	destruct h as $[l l]$
\exists	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t:A \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : B[x \leftarrow t]}{\Gamma \vdash ? : \exists x:A, B}$	exists t	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : \exists x:A, B \quad \Gamma, x:A, l:B \vdash ? : C}{\Gamma \vdash ? : C}$	destruct h as (x, l)

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

	introduction		elimination	
=	$\frac{t \equiv u}{\Gamma \vdash ? : t = u}$	reflexivity	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash h : t = u \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : C[x \leftarrow u]}{\Gamma \vdash ? : C[x \leftarrow t]}$	rewrite h

- Two terms t and u are **convertible** (written $t \equiv u$) when they represent the **same value after computation**.
- The **elimination** rule allows to **replace** a term by an equal in any context.

$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : u = t}{\Gamma \vdash ? : t = u}$	symmetry
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : t = v \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : v = u}{\Gamma \vdash ? : t = u}$	transitivity v
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : f = g \quad \Gamma \vdash ? : t_1 = u_1 \dots \Gamma \vdash ? : t_n = u_n}{\Gamma \vdash ? : f \ t_1 \dots t_n = g \ u_1 \dots u_n}$	f_equal

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

回顾: How to produce a **proof** to establish a proposition is true?

Backward reasoning with **tactics**

- A tactic transforms a **goal** into a set of **subgoals**
 - solving these **subgoals** is **sufficient** to solve the **original goal**

It is often useful to do **forward** reasoning

- by **adding new facts** in the goal to be proven

$\frac{\Gamma \vdash ? : B \quad \Gamma, h : B \vdash ? : A}{\Gamma \vdash ? : A}$	assert ($h : B$)
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2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

It would be **painful** to apply only **atomic** rules

- Tactics usually **combine** in one step several introductions or elimination rules.
- The tactic **intros** does multiple introductions and infer names when none are given.
- The tactic **apply** takes as an argument a proof ***h*** of a proposition

$$\forall x_1 \dots x_n, A_1 \rightarrow \dots A_p \rightarrow B$$

- It tries to find terms t_i such that the current goal is equivalent to $B[x_i \leftarrow t_i]_{i=1\dots n}$
- and generates subgoals corresponding to $A_j[x_i \leftarrow t_i]_{i=1\dots n}$

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

It would be **painful** to apply only **atomic** rules

```
Lemma ex1: forall A B C:Prop,  
(A -> B -> C) -> (A -> B) -> A -> C.  
Proof.  
  intros.  
  apply H.  
  assumption.  
  apply H0.  
  assumption.  
Qed.
```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

It would be **painful** to apply only **atomic** rules

Some tactics are doing proof search to help solve a goal:

contradiction	solves the goal when False, or A and $\neg A$ appear in the hypotheses
tauto	solves propositional tautologies
trivial	tries very simple lemmas to solve the goal
auto	searches in a database of lemmas to solve the goal
intuition	removes the propositional structure of the goal then auto
omega	solves goals in linear arithmetic

```
Lemma ex1: forall A B C:Prop,  
(A -> B -> C) -> (A -> B) -> A -> C.  
Proof.  
auto.  
Qed.
```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

Finishing proofs

- **Commands:** **Theorem** and **Lemma**
 - given a name **name** and a property **A**
 - enter the **interactive proof mode**
 - in which **tactics** are used to **transform** the **goal**
 - after some effort there will be **no remaining subgoals**
 - the proof of **A** is finished
- Actually, Coq is doing **one more check** before accepting the proof
 - extracts a term **p** and the trusted kernel has to check that
 - $\Gamma \vdash p : A$ is a valid judgment
 - by elementary rules for **type-checking p**
- **Commands:** **Qed** and **Save**

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

If a proof is not finished:

- Using the **command** **Admitted** instead of Qed
 - gives the possibility to **finish the proof**
 - introducing the **original goal** as an **axiom**.

```
Lemma ex1: forall A B C:Prop,  
(A -> B -> C) -> (A -> B) -> A -> C.  
Proof.  
Admitted.
```

- It is convenient to postpone a proof but it is also potentially **dangerous**
- Safety in Coq is only guaranteed if there are no axioms left in the proof.
 - The **command** **Print Assumptions** name can be used to display all **axioms** used in the **theorem name**.

```
Print Assumptions ex1.
```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

Command: Definitions

- A new definition is introduced by:

Definition *name args : type := term.*

- The identifier *name*: an abbreviation for the term *term*.
- The type *type*: *optional* as well as the arguments
- The arguments: a list of identifiers *possibly* associated with types

```
Definition square (x:nat) : nat := x * x.
```

- A Coq definition name can be unfolded in a goal by using the tactic:
 - **unfold** name (in the conclusion)
 - **unfold** name in **H** (in hypothesis H).

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

Command: **Section** *name*

- It is often **convenient** to introduce a local context of variables and properties, which are shared between several definitions.
- Then objects can be introduced using the syntax

Variable *name* : *type* or **Hypothesis** *name* : *prop*

- **command Variables:** introduce variables with the same type
- **command End:** end the section

```
Section test.  
Variable A : Type.  
Variables x y : A.  
Definition double : A * A := (x, x).  
Definition triple : A * A * A := (x, y, x).  
End test.
```

2. Basics - 2.2 Logical rules and tactics

Command: **Section** *name*

```
Section test.  
Variable A : Type.  
Variables x y : A.  
Definition double : A * A := (x, x).  
Definition triple : A * A * A := (x, y, x).  
End test.
```

- After **ending** the section, the objects **A**, **x** and **y** are not accessible anymore
 - one can observe the new types of **double** and **triple**.

```
Print double.
```

```
double =  
fun (A : Type) (x : A) => (x, x)  
  : forall A : Type, A -> A * A
```

2. Basics - 2.3 Libraries in Coq

The Coq environment is organized in a **modular** way

- Some libraries are already loaded when starting the system

```
Print Libraries.
```

```
Loaded library files:
```

```
Coq.Init.Notations
```

```
Coq.Init.Ltac
```

```
Coq.Init.Logic
```

```
Coq.Init.Datatypes
```

```
Coq.Init.Logic_Type
```

```
Coq.Init.Specif
```

```
Coq.Init.Decimal
```

```
Coq.Init.Hexadecimal
```

```
Coq.Init.Number
```

```
Coq.Init.Nat
```

```
Coq.Init.Byte
```

```
Coq.Init.Numeral
```

```
...
```

2. Basics - 2.3 Libraries in Coq

Searching the environment

- **Search** *name*: display all declarations *id* : *type* in the environment such that *name* appears in *type*.

```
Search plus.
```

- **Search** [*name*₁ · · · *name*_{*n*}]: find objects with types mentioning all the names *name*_{*i*}

```
Search [plus 0].
```

- **Search** *pattern*: find objects with types mentioning an instance of the pattern
 - which is a term possibly using the special symbol “_” to represent an arbitrary term.

```
Search (~_ <-> _).
```

2. Basics - 2.3 Libraries in Coq

Other **Commands** w.r.t libraries

- **Check *term***: checks if term can be typed and displays its type.
- **Print *name***: prints the **definition** of name together with its type.
- **About *id***: displays the type of the object id
 - (plus other informations like qualified name or implicit arguments).

```
About pair.
```

```
pair : forall {A B : Type}, A -> B -> A * B
```

```
pair is template universe polymorphic  
on prod.u0 prod.u1
```

```
Arguments pair {A B}%type_scope _ _
```

```
Expands to: Constructor Coq.Init.Datatypes.pair
```

2. Basics - 2.3 Libraries in Coq

Load New Libraries

- **Command:** **Require Import** *name*
 - checks if module name is *already present* in the environment
 - If not, and if a file *name.vo* occurs in the load-path
 - then it is loaded and opened (its contents is revealed)

```
Require Import Arith.
```

- **Command:** **Print Libraries**
 - display the set of loaded modules
- **Command:** **Print LoadPath**
 - display the load-path

2. Basics - 2.4 Examples

- Define an **absolute** value function on **mathematical** integers
 - **prove** the result is **positive**
- **Mathematical** integers in Coq are defined as a **type Z**
 - Their representation is based on a binary representation of positive numbers (type **positive**)

```
Require Import ZArith.  
Open Scope Z_scope.
```

- Find a function: **Z.leb**

```
Search (Z->Z->bool).
```

```
Z.leb: Z -> Z -> bool
```

- Search properties for **Z.leb**

```
Search Z.leb.
```

```
Zle_cases: forall n m : Z, if n <=? m then n <= m else n > m
```

2. Basics - 2.4 Examples

- Define an **absolute** value function on **mathematical** integers
 - **prove** the result is **positive**
-
- Ready to Go

```
Require Import ZArith.  
Open Scope Z_scope.  
Definition abs (n:Z) : Z := if Z.leb 0 n then n else -n.  
Lemma abs_pos : forall n, 0 <= abs n.  
intro n.  
unfold abs.  
assert (if Z.leb 0 n then 0 <= n else 0 > n).  
apply Zle_cases.  
destruct (Z.leb 0 n); auto with zarith.  
Qed.
```

2. Basics - 2.4 Examples

- Define an **absolute** value function on **mathematical** integers
 - **prove** the result is **positive**
- Ready to Go (without proof search)

```
Require Import ZArith.
Open Scope Z_scope.
Definition abs (n:Z) : Z := if Z.leb 0 n then n else -n.
Lemma abs_pos : forall n, 0 <= abs n.
intro n.
unfold abs.
assert (if Z.leb 0 n then 0 <= n else 0 > n).
apply Zle_cases.
destruct (Z.leb 0 n).
apply H.
Search [Z.lt Z.gt]. assert (n<0). apply Z.gt_lt. assumption.
assert (n<=0).
Search [Z.lt Z.le]. apply Z.lt_le_incl. assumption.
Search [Z.le Z.oppp]. apply Z.oppp_nonneg_nonpos. assumption.
Qed.
```

2. Basics - 2.5 Intuitionistic Logic v.s Classical Logic

$A \vee \neg A$ is **not** an **axiom** in **intuitionistic** logic

- Coq implements an intuitionistic logic
- Actually, both $A \vee B$ and $\exists x : A, B$ have a strong **constructive** meaning.
 - from a proof of $\exists x : A, B$
 - one can **compute** t such that $B[x \leftarrow t]$ is provable
 - from a proof of $A \vee B$
 - one can **compute** a boolean b and proofs of $b = \text{true} \rightarrow A$ and $b = \text{false} \rightarrow B$
- It is also possible to use **classical** versions of logical connectives
 - **negative formulas** are **classical**, e.g., $\neg \neg A \rightarrow A$
 - a library **Classical** introduces the **excluded middle** as an axiom

Require Import Classical.

作业

- 实验小作业，使用Coq证明如下命题（不允许使用搜索策略，不允许使用Classical库），附上代码和文档（文档中列出每个证明步骤的输出截图）

```
Lemma ex1: forall A, ~~~ A -> ~ A.
```

```
Lemma ex2: forall A B, A \/ B -> ~ (~ A /\ ~ B).
```

```
Lemma ex3: forall T (P:T -> Prop),  
(~ exists x, P x) -> forall x, ~ P x.
```