

Autosubst: Automation for de Bruijn Substitutions in Lean

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Overview

- Autosubst
 - Background: the σ -calculus
 - Features of Autosubst
- The Lean Theorem Prover
 - Metaprogramming
- Autosubst in Lean

Background

- *Goal:* formalize syntax with variable binders,
e.g. untyped λ -calculus

$$s, t : \text{tm} := n \mid s \ t \mid \lambda \ s$$

- representation modulo α -equivalence: **de Bruijn**

$$\lambda \color{red}f\color{black} \ x. \color{red}f\color{black} (\lambda \color{blue}x\color{black}. \color{red}f\color{black} \ \color{blue}x\color{black}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \color{red}\lambda\color{black}. \color{red}\lambda\color{black}. \color{red}1\color{black} (\color{blue}\lambda\color{black}. \color{red}2\color{black} \color{blue}0\color{black})$$

- *Example:* β -reduction

$$(\lambda x. s) \ t \triangleright s_t^x \quad \longrightarrow \quad (\lambda s) \ t \triangleright s[?]$$

The σ -calculus¹

- σ -calculus: explicit representation of substitutions
- parallel **substitutions** $\sigma, \tau, \theta : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \text{tm}$
= term sequences $(\sigma(0), \sigma(1), \sigma(2) \dots)$
- **renamings** $\xi, \zeta : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$
- operations (for UTLC):

instantiation $s[\sigma]$

$$\uparrow(x) = (x + 1)$$

$$n[\sigma] = \sigma(n)$$

$$s \cdot \sigma = (s, \sigma(0), \sigma(1), \dots)$$

$$(s \ t)[\sigma] = s[\sigma] \ t[\sigma]$$

$$(\lambda \ s)[\sigma] = \lambda \ (s[\uparrow \sigma])$$

$$\uparrow \sigma = 0 \cdot (\sigma \circ \uparrow)$$

¹[Abadi, Cardelli, Curien, Lévy 91]

The σ -calculus¹ – Example

Example: β -reduction $(\lambda s) t \triangleright s[t \cdot \text{ids}]$
and **substitutivity**

$$s_1 \triangleright s_2 \rightarrow s_1[\sigma] \triangleright s_2[\sigma]$$

Problem: prove subgoal

$$s[t \cdot \text{ids}][\sigma] \stackrel{?}{=} s[0 \cdot (\sigma \circ \uparrow)][t[\sigma] \cdot \text{ids}]$$

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The σ -calculus – Rewriting rules

- σ_{SP} -calculus² sound, complete³
- equational theory with confluent rewriting rules

examples of rewriting rules for σ_{SP}

$$(\sigma \circ \tau) \circ \theta = \sigma \circ (\tau \circ \theta)$$

$$(s \ t)[\sigma] = s[\sigma] \ t[\sigma]$$

$$s[\text{ids}] = s$$

$$\sigma \circ \text{ids} = \sigma$$

⇒ normalization of expressions can be automated

²[Curien, Hardin, Lévy 96]

³[Schäfer, Smolka, Tebbi 15]

Autosubst^{4,5}

- Coq library, automatically derives
 - operations of the σ -calculus
 - lemmas for rewriting and proofs
- tactics for normalization

$$\begin{array}{c} s[0 \cdot (\sigma \circ \uparrow)] [t[\sigma] \cdot \text{ids}] \\ \downarrow \\ \text{asimpl} \\ \downarrow \\ s[t[\sigma] \cdot \sigma] \end{array}$$

⁴[Schäfer, Tebbi, Smolka 15]

⁵[Kaiser, Schäfer, Stark 17]

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$$s[t \cdot \text{ids}] [\sigma] = s[0 \cdot (\sigma \circ \uparrow)] [t[\sigma] \cdot \text{ids}]$$

```
graph TD; A[s[t · ids] [σ]] -- " " --> B[s[0 · (σ ∘ ↑)] [t[σ] · ids]]; B -- " " --> C[s[t[σ] · σ]]
```

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```
Lemma substitutivity s1 s2 :  
  s1 > s2 → ∀σ, s1[σ] > s2[σ] :=  
Proof. induction 1; constructor; subst; autosubst. Qed.
```

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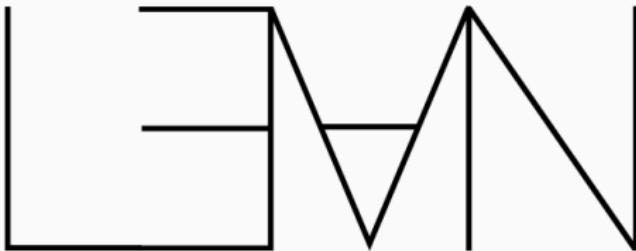
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Autosubst^{4,5}

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- tactics for normalization
- custom term languages with binders
→ Haskell-tool generates Coq-Code
- *Problems*: tactic execution slow, huge proof terms

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THEOREM PROVER

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interactive theorem proving

- fully verified results
- slow, work can be tedious

automated theorem proving

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- efficiency
- no guarantee for correctness

Lean – Metaprogramming

approaches for writing tactics and automation:

- tactic language (LTac, MTac)
- reflection (Rtac, SSReflect)

in Lean:

- use object language: **meta–definitions**
 - API for procedures in C++–code base
 - relaxed termination and typing conditions
 - access internal states and representations (monad operations)

Lean – important meta-types

- type `tactic_state` reflects state of elaborator
 - local context (hypotheses, metavariables)
 - goal stack
- `tactic` monad
 - tactics faillible
 - sequencing, backtracking
- type `expr` reflects Lean expressions into object language

Lean – example of reflection

Example:

$$(s\ t).[\sigma] = s.[\sigma]\ t.[\sigma]$$

```
lemma rule1 (s t σ) :  
  (app s t).[\σ] = app (s.[σ]) (t.[σ])
```

```
meta def match_rule1 : tactic unit :=  
  do g::gs ← get_goals,  
    target ← infer_type g,  
  
    match target with  
    | `((app %s %t).[%σ] = %e) := apply `(@rule1)  
    | _ := failed end  
  
  
example : (app t (var 0)).[ids]  
= app (t.[ids]) ((var 0).[ids]) := by match_rule1
```

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Approach 1: naive rewriting

```
lemma substitutivity_h :  
  s[t · ids][σ] = s[0 · (σ ∘ ↑)][t[σ] · ids]  
  := by simp with rwlemmas
```

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```
theorem substitutivity_h : ∀ (s t : term) (σ : subst),
s.[t..I].[σ] = (s.[var 0..(σ.ofS)].[t.[σ]..I]) :=  
  
λ (s t : term) (σ : subst),  
eq.mpr  
  (id_locked  
    (eq.trans  
      ((λ (a a_1 : term) (e_1 : a = a_1) (a_2 a_3 : term)  
       (e_2 : a_2 = a_3), congr (congr_arg eq e_1) e_2)  
       s.[t..I].[σ]  
       s.[t.[σ]..σ]  
       (eq.trans (subst_comp (t..I) σ s)  
         ((λ (a a_1 : subst) (e_1 : a = a_1)  
          (a_2 a_3 : term) (e_2 : a_2 = a_3),  
           congr (congr_arg instantiate e_1) e_2)  
          (t..I o σ)  
          (t.[σ]..σ)  
          (eq.trans (cons_comp t I σ)  
            ((λ (a a_1 : term) (e_1 : a = a_1)  
             (a_2 a_3 : ℕ → term) (e_2 : a_2 = a_3),  
              congr (congr_arg cons e_1) e_2)  
              t.[σ]  
              t.[σ]  
              (eq.refl t.[σ])  
              (I o σ)  
              σ  
              (lcomp_I σ))))  
...  
)
```

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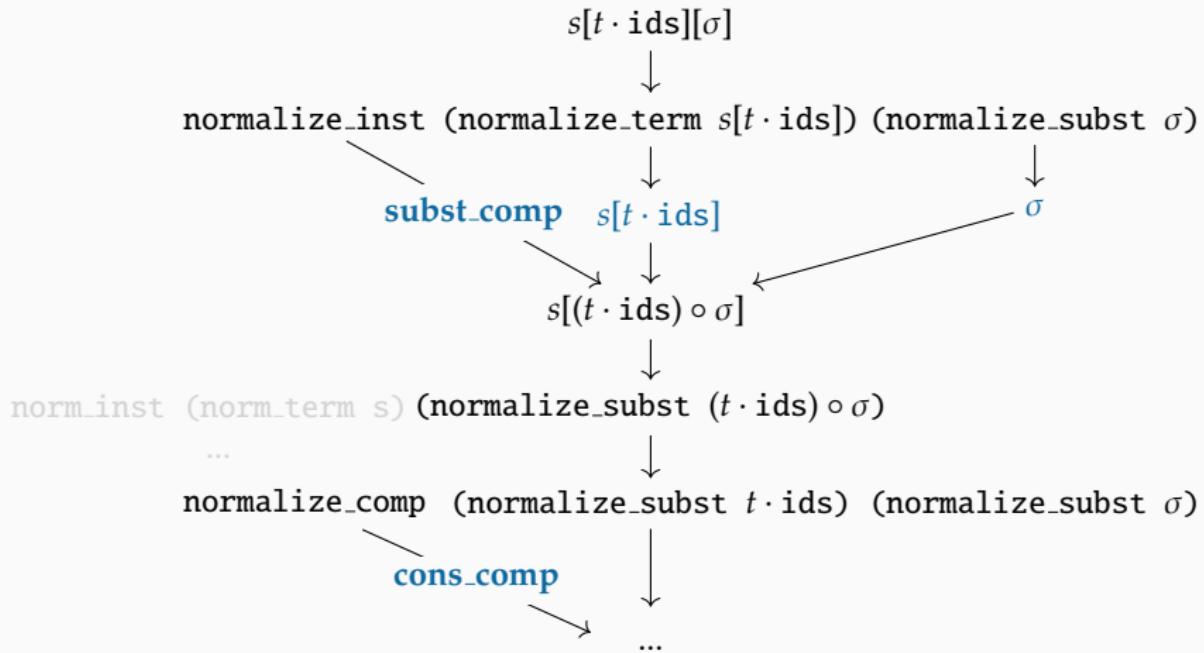
Approach 2:

- pattern matching on goal expression, top-down parsing

```
normalize_term :  
| (s t) = (normalize_term s) (normalize_term t)  
| (λ s) = λ (normalize_term s)  
| s[σ] = normalize_inst (normalize_term s) (normalize_subst σ)  
| n = refl n
```

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- pattern matching on goal expression, top-down parsing
- **meta**-function `normalize` constructs proof term from rewriting lemmas

$$s[t \cdot \text{ids}][\sigma] \xrightarrow{\text{normal form:}} s[t[\sigma] \cdot \sigma]$$

$\Rightarrow \text{normalize}$ returns proof term with type

$$\forall s t \sigma, s[t \cdot \text{ids}][\sigma] = s[t[\sigma] \cdot \sigma]$$

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```
lemma substitutivity_h :  
  s[t · ids] [σ] = s[0 · (σ ∘ ↑)] [t[σ] · ids]  
  := by normalize  
  
theorem substitutivity_h' : ∀ (s t : term) (σ : subst),  
  s.[t..I].[σ] = (s.[var 0..(σ ◦ S)].[t.[σ]..I]) :=  
  
  λ (s t : term) (σ : subst),  
  eq.trans  
    (subst_comp'  
      (inst' (eq.refl s) (cons_comp'  
        (cons' (inst' (eq.refl t) (eq.refl σ))  
          (lcomp_I' (eq.refl I) (eq.refl σ))))))  
    (eq.symm  
      (subst_comp' (inst' (eq.refl s) (cons_comp'  
        (cons' (zero' (eq.refl (var 0)) (inst' (eq.refl t) (eq.refl σ)))  
          (assoc' (rcomp_I' (eq.refl σ) (lcomp_S' (eq.refl ↑S) (eq.refl I))))))))))
```

Next steps

- generalize to custom term types
 - extend current tool to generate Lean-code for rewriting lemmas and proofs
 - vector substitutions to handle multi-sorted syntactic theories
 - generate normalize-function
- case studies

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The σ -calculus in full

instantiation $s.[\sigma]$

$$n[\sigma] = \sigma(n)$$

$$(s\ t)[\sigma] = s[\sigma]\ t[\sigma]$$

$$(\lambda\ s)[\sigma] = \lambda\ (s[\uparrow\ \sigma])$$

composition

$$(\sigma \circ \tau)(x) = \sigma(x)[\tau]$$

β -reduction

$$(\lambda\ s)\ t \triangleright s[t \cdot \text{ids}]$$

identity $\text{ids}(x) = x$

shift $\uparrow(x) = (x + 1)$

cons $s \cdot \sigma = (s, \sigma(0), \sigma(1), \dots)$

up $\uparrow\sigma = 0 \cdot (\sigma \circ \uparrow)$

η -reduction

$$(\lambda\ s[\uparrow] 0)\ t \triangleright s$$

Rewriting rules for σ_{SP}

axiomatic equality for σ_{SP}

$(s \ t) [\sigma] = s[\sigma] \ t[\sigma]$	$\text{ids} \circ \sigma = \sigma$
$(\lambda \ s) [\sigma] = \lambda \ (s[\uparrow \sigma])$	$\sigma \circ \text{ids} = \sigma$
$0 [s \cdot \sigma] = s$	$(\sigma \circ \tau) \circ \theta = \sigma \circ (\tau \circ \theta)$
$\uparrow \circ (s \cdot \sigma) = \sigma$	$(s \cdot \sigma) \circ \tau = s[\sigma] \cdot (\sigma \circ \tau)$
$s[\text{ids}] = s$	$s[\sigma] [\tau] = s[\sigma \circ \tau]$
$0 [\sigma] \cdot [\uparrow \circ \sigma] = \sigma$	$0 \cdot \uparrow = \text{ids}$

- deductively equivalent to σ_{SP} -calculus² (sound, complete³)
- convergent rewriting system

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More on the normalize-function

Pseudocode:

```
normalize_term :  
| (s t) = (normalize_term s) (normalize_term t)  
| ( $\lambda$  s) =  $\lambda$  (normalize_term s)  
| s[ $\sigma$ ] = normalize_inst (normalize_term s) (normalize_subst  $\sigma$ )  
| n = refl n  
  
normalize_subst :  
| s ·  $\sigma$  = normalize_cons (normalize_term s) (normalize_subst  $\sigma$ )  
|  $\uparrow\sigma$  = normalize_up (normalize_subst  $\sigma$ )  
|  $\sigma \circ \tau$  = normalize_cmp (normalize_subst  $\sigma$ ) (normalize_subst  $\tau$ )  
|  $\sigma$  = refl  $\sigma$ 
```

More on the normalize-function

- subprocedures `normalize_cons`, `normalize_inst`,
`normalize_comp`, `normalize_up` (mutually recursive),
expect normalized arguments
- use rewriting lemmas with **assumptions**

Example:

```
 $\sigma \circ \mathbf{ids} = \sigma$ 
lemma ids_cmp' {σ σ' τ} :
  σ = σ' → τ = ids → σ ∘ τ = σ'
```

```
normalize_cmp σ τ : //arguments: normalization-proof terms
                    // e.g. (σ₁ = σnorm), (τ₁ = τnorm)
if (is_ids τ) then ids_cmp' σ τ
else ... // other rewriting rules
```

More on the normalize-function

Example:

- modified rewriting lemma

$$(s t).[σ] = s.[σ] t.[σ]$$

```
lemma rule1' {s t σ} :  
  s.[σ] = sn → t.[σ] = tn  
  → (app s t).[σ] = app (sn) (tn)
```

- goal expression:

$$s, t, σ \vdash \text{app } s \ t.[σ] = \text{app } s.[σ] \ t.[σ]$$

- normalize produces proof term:

$$\begin{aligned} & λ \ s \ t \ σ, \text{rule1}'(\text{inst}' (\text{refl } s) (\text{refl } σ)) \\ & \quad (\text{inst}' (\text{refl } t) (\text{refl } σ)) \end{aligned}$$