Efficient and Predictable tools with Orthologic-Based Reasoningc

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 - Non-determinism
 - Bugs hard to reproduce
 - Trial and Error for the user

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- As expressive as possible
- Same behaviour in all contexts and machines
- Reasonably fast
- Compatible with other elements of the compiler/type system

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for verification tools

- ► Incomplete, but...
- Clear completeness guarantees
- ightharpoonup Efficient (pprox polynomial)
- Combines with other approaches
- Reliable, Reusable, Modular

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- ▶ Most interesting problems are computationally hard (interpolation, unification modulo, ...)

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Ortholattices

- ▶ The propositional logic whose structure is that of Ortholattices
- $ightharpoonup \wedge, \vee, \neg$

Orthologic	Ortholattices
Intuitionistic Logic	Heyting Algebras
Classical Logic	Boolean Algebras

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Boolean Algebra = Ortholattice + distributivity Distributivity: $| x \lor (y \land z) = (x \lor y) \land (x \lor z)$

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Orthologic Normal Form

Definition

Let \mathcal{T} be the set of terms over $(\land, \lor, \neg, 0, 1)$. $f: \mathcal{T} \to \mathcal{T}$ is a normal form function if

$$\forall w_1, w_2 \in \mathcal{T}, w_1 \sim w_2 \iff f(w_1) = f(w_2)$$

Theorem

There exists a normal form function for OL computable in $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$. Moreover, it computes a term of smallest size.

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Sequent-Calculus-like:

$$\phi^L, \psi^R$$
 provable $\iff \phi \leq \psi$ valid in all ortholattices

Classical Logic	Sequent Calculus LK
Intuitionistic Logic	max. one formula on the right
Orthologic max. two formulas total	

Sequent Calculus style proof system:

 Γ and Δ are arbitrary annotated formula, or no formula.

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Example: set of known facts of classical logic, asserted by a solver

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Corollary

The proof system enjoy the *Subformula Property*: If a sequent S is provable, it has a proof where only subformulas of S and axioms in A appear.

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Classical completeness

OL with axioms is complete for Horn clauses and extensions of Horn clauses

Horn clause
$$\{\neg a_1, ..., \neg a_n, b\}$$
 becomes $(a_1 \wedge ... \wedge a_n)^L, b^R$

Theorem

A set of Horn clauses is satisfiable in OL if and only if it is satisfiable in CL.

Also true for renamed Horn, extended Horn and 2SAT

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- Has interpolation property⁴
- ▶ Other useful and interesting logical properties.

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Interpolation

Theorem

Let A and B be propositional formulas. If $A \vdash B$ then there exists a formula I such that:

$$A \le I \le B$$

and $FV(I) \subseteq FV(A) \cap FV(B)$.

Proof.

Show it for sequents. By induction on the proof of A^L , B^R

Additional Properties

- OL admits a Tseitin-like normal form
- ▶ OL can be simulated by width 5 resolution
- More properties of Effectively Propositional OL

Coq formalization

Formalized OL proof system (without axioms) in Coq⁵.

- Mechanized Cut Elimination
- ▶ Soundness of orthologic proof search, with memoization and reference equality
- ► Tactic (using reflection) for OL equivalence and normalization, including for the bool type.

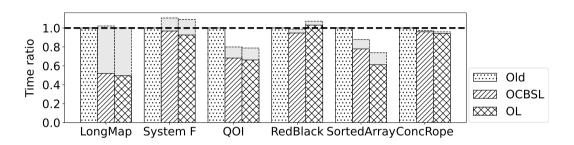
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Stainless: Program Verification using OL

Stainless is a tool for verification of Scala programs.

- ▶ Generates Verification Conditions (VC) that are then submitted to SMT solvers
- VCs are simplified and cached with respect to orthologic.

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- The grey-filled boxes represent the time saved thanks to extra caching.
- Simplification occasionally made the solvers' life harder (hand tuned assertions).
- ► OCBSL = Orthocomplemented Bisemilattices⁶

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Other example:

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- 2 $\frac{\text{have}(a / b)}{\text{by Restate}}$

application: DPLL-like Propositional Solver

For a formula f:

- ► Simplify *f*
- ▶ If it is \top returns **true**. If it is \bot , returns **false**
- ▶ Pick a literal a in f
- ▶ Solve recursively $f[a := \top]$ and $f[a := \bot]$

Idead: simplify with Orthologic.

Propositional Solver tactic

```
def dpll(f: Formula) =
       val f = reducedForm(_f) //computes OL—normal form
       if f == T then have(f) by Hypothesis
       else if f == \bot then fail("Not-a-tautology")
 5
       else
 6
          val a = findBestAtom(f)
          val step1 = subproof : //solve recursively
 8
              have(dpll(f(a := \top)))
 9
              thenHave(a \mid - f) by Substitution(\top \iff a)
          val step2 = subproof : //solve recursively
10
              have(dpll(f(a := \perp)))
11
              thenHave(!a \mid- f) by Substitution(\perp \iff a)
12
           have(f) by Cut(step1, step2)
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- ▶ Idea: decide A <: B by checking $A \vdash B$ in orthologic!

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Luckily, OL normalization and proof search with axioms can be extended to support (anti)monotonic functions and still work $(\mathcal{O}(n^2) \cdot |A|)$

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Conclusion

- Orthologic
 - Efficient and Predictable Building Block
 - Normalization algorithm, proof system
 - ► Good logical properties (interpolation, ...)
 - ► Tons of applications, many more to explore!

Example

Assume $\neg(\neg a \lor (a \land b))$. Deduce:

$$a \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg b)$$
 NNF $a, (\neg a \vee \neg b)$ substituting $a = 1$ $\neg b$

Then,

$$(\neg c \lor b) \lor (\neg b \land (c \lor \neg a))$$

 $\sim (\neg c \lor 0) \lor (1 \land (c \lor 0))$ substituting $a = 1, b = 0$
 $\sim \neg c \lor c$
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