



# Coq libraries for HoTT/UF

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# Disclaimer

The title and the content do not match.

In this talk:

- No brand new library;
- No new formalized result;
- No comparative survey.

Only some methodological remarks.

# Large Libraries of Formalized Mathematics

Issues:

- Get the definition(s) and notations right
- Get the right corpus of lemmas
- Get the right automation tools
- Maintain a rigorous software engineering discipline
- Write proofs robust to the regular re-factoring

# Mathematical Components

- Authors: the Math. Comp. team (led by G. Gonthier);
- Follow up of a Coq proof of the Four Colour Theorem;
- Culminates with a proof of the Odd Order Theorem.
- 6 years,  $\sim$  15 authors,  $\sim$  160 000 l.o.c.

## Theorem (Feit-Thompson - 1963)

*Every group of odd order is solvable.*

# Mathematical Components



# Features

- Constructive proof;
- Wide variety of algebraic theories;
- Large hierarchy of algebraic structures, with many instances;
- Coherent policies maintained across the libraries;
- Methodology: small scale reflection and type inference;
- Extension of the tactic language (ssreflect).

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# Small Scale Reflection

Reflection: Use conversion and definitional equality to devise automated deduction procedures.

Small scale: Make reflection local and pervasive to automate bookkeeping.

# Boolean Reflection

Compare:

```
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```

```
Zis_gcd_intro :
```

```
(g | a) -> (g | b) ->
```

```
(forall x, (x | a) -> (x | b) -> (x | g)) ->
```

```
Zis_gcd a b g.
```

```
Definition rel_prime (a b:Z) : Prop := Zis_gcd a b 1.
```

```
Inductive prime (p:Z) : Prop :=
```

```
prime_intro :
```

```
1 < p -> (forall n:Z, 1 <= n < p -> rel_prime n p) -> prime p.
```



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Or even:

**Definition** prime k : Prop :=

k > 1 /\ forall r d, 1 < d < k -> k <> r \* d.

# Boolean Reflection

With:

```
Fixpoint prime_decomp_rec m k a b c e :=
  let p := k.*2.+1 in
  if a is a'.+1 then
    if b - (ifnz e 1 k - c) is b'.+1 then
      [rec m, k, a', b', ifnz c c.-1 (ifnz e p.-2 1), e] else
    if (b == 0) && (c == 0) then
      let b' := k + a' in [rec b'.*2.+3, k, a', b', k.-1, e.+1] else
    let bc' := ifnz e (ifnz b (k, 0) (edivn2 0 c)) (b, c) in
      p ^? e :: ifnz a' [rec m, k.+1, a'.-1, bc'.1 + a', bc'.2, 0] [:: (m, 1)]
    else if (b == 0) && (c == 0) then [:: (p, e.+2)] else p ^? e :: [:: (m, 1)]
  where "[ 'rec' m , k , a , b , c , e ]" := (prime_decomp_rec m k a b c e).
```

```
Definition prime_decomp n :=
  let: (e2, m2) := elogn2 0 n.-1 n.-1 in
  if m2 < 2 then 2 ^? e2 :: 3 ^? m2 :: [::] else
  let: (a, bc) := edivn m2.-2 3 in
  let: (b, c) := edivn (2 - bc) 2 in
  2 ^? e2 :: [rec m2.*2.+1, 1, a, b, c, 0].
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```
Definition prime p :=
  if prime_decomp p is [:: (_, 1)] then true else false.
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(* Almost free theorems *)
Lemma lenn n : n <= n = true.
Proof. by elim: n. Qed.
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# Boolean vs Prop Definitions

Whereas using the relation defined in the standard library:

```
Inductive le (n : nat) : nat -> Prop :=  
  le_n : le n n  
| le_S : forall m : nat, le n m -> le n (S m)
```

- The proof of  $n \leq m$  chains  $m - n + 1$  constructors;
- Local simplifications are (much) less easy.



# The Rewrite Swiss Knife: Examples

Chaining: `rewrite foo bar` rewrites with `foo`, then `bar`.

Repeating, repeating if possible: `rewrite !foo, rewrite ?bar`

Simpl: `rewrite /=` but also `rewrite foo /= bar`

Trivial: `rewrite //` but also `rewrite foo // bar`

Unfold: `rewrite /blah`

Change for convertible: `rewrite -[foo]/blah`

Exact Patterns: `rewrite [X in _ <= X]foo, rewrite [LHS]foo,`  
`rewrite [X in X + _ = _]/=`

Context Patterns: `rewrite [in X in _ <= X]foo, rewrite [in LHS]foo`

# Boolean and Prop Definitions

- Nested binary `Prop` conjunctions and unary, boolean, triple-conjunction:

`Lemma and3P : [/\ b1, b2 & b3] <-> [&& b1, b2 & b3] = true.`

- Back to the definition of primality:

`Lemma primeP p :`  
`reflect (p > 1 /\ forall d, d %| p -> d == 1 || d == p) (prime p).`

# From Bool to Prop and Back

`move/eqP`:  $h \Rightarrow h : n == m$  in the context into  $h : n = m$

`apply/eqP` : transforms a goal  $n == m$  into  $n = m$ .

`case/orP`:  $h \Rightarrow h : \text{when } h : p \mid\mid q$ , performs a case analysis:  $h : p$  in one branch,  $h : q$  in the other.

`case/andP`:  $h \Rightarrow h1\ h2 : \text{when } h : p \ \&\& \ q$ , introduces both  $h1 : p$  and  $h2 : q$ .

`rewrite (negPf h)` :=  $\text{when } h : \sim\sim p$  : rewrites occurrences of  $p$  to `false` in the goal.

# Boolean Reflection & Classical Logic

Excluded middle is just case analysis:

```
(* Boolean Excluded Middle, never used as such. *)
```

```
Lemma EMb (b : bool) : b || ~~b = true.
```

```
Proof. by case b. Qed.
```

# Boolean Reflection & Classical Logic

Contraposition is provable:

Lemma contra (c b : bool) :  
(c = true -> b = true) ->  $\sim\sim$  b = true ->  $\sim\sim$  c = true.

Lemma contraL (c b : bool) :  
(c = true ->  $\sim\sim$  b = true) -> b = true ->  $\sim\sim$  c = true.

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**Lemma** `classic_pick` ( $T : \text{Type}$ ) ( $P : T \rightarrow \text{Prop}$ ) :  
`classically` ( $\{x : T \mid P\ x\} + (\text{forall } x, \sim P\ x)$ ).

# Numbers in the MathComp Libraries

Instances of numbers with boolean comparisons:

- Natural numbers, integers,
- Rational numbers, modular arithmetic,
- Algebraic real and complex numbers,...

With:

- Elementary arithmetic (binomials, primality, logs,...)
- Group, ring, field, ordered structures theories
- ...



# Equality Types

The fundamental structure to the library is (unfolds to):

```
Structure eqType := Pack {  
  eq_sort : Type;  
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# Equality Types

The main properties shared by instances of `eqType` are:

- The infix `==` notation
- Hedberg's theorem:

```
Theorem eq_irrelevance (T : eqType) x y :  
  forall e1 e2 : x = y => T, e1 = e2.
```

- Canonical preservation of the `eqType` structure through `pair`, `list`, `option`, ...

Instances are the expected ones:

unit, booleans, numbers, finite types,...

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which concludes the search with the solution:

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```
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```

```
?2 = nat_eqType
```

```
--> ?1 = list_eqType nat_eqType
```

# Canonical Structures

- A type inference mechanism via unification hints;
- Based on projections of records;
- Implemented in Coq by A. Saïbi (circa 1997);
- Similar to (but subtly different from) N. Oury and M. Sozeau's Type Classes.

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# A Hierarchy of Interfaces

# Populating the Hierarchy: subTypes

The root of the hierarchy comprises interfaces for:

- eqType, finType, countType, choiceType

Interestingly enough:

- if  $P$  is a decidable (boolean) predicate
- if  $T$  is an [eq|fin|count|choice]Type
- then so is  $\{x : T \mid P\ x = \text{true}\}$
- and its isomorphic copies.



# Populating the Hierarchy: subTypes

(s : subType T P) is isomorphic to {x : T | P x = true}.

```
Structure subType (T : Type) (P : pred T) : Type := SubType {  
  sub_sort :> Type;  
  val : sub_sort -> T;  
  Sub : forall x, P x -> sub_sort;  
  _ : forall K (_ : forall x Px, K (@Sub x Px)) u, K u;  
  _ : forall x Px, val (@Sub x Px) = x  
}.
```

- sub\_sort is its carrier type;
- val injects s into T
- Sub is the pseudo constructor of the subType.

# Populating the Hierarchy: subTypes

$(s : \text{subType } T \ P)$  is isomorphic to  $\{x : T \mid Px = \text{true}\}$ .

This infrastructure provides:

- A generic construction for natural subTypes;
- Canonical instances of transferred [eq|fin|count|choice]Type;
- A proof that  $\text{val} : s \rightarrow T$  is injective;
- A generic partial projection  $T \rightarrow \text{option } s$ .

# Populating the Hierarchy

More generally new instances of [eq|fin|count|choice] structures can be formed canonically for:

- Isomorphic types (via a bijection) or subtypes;
- Quotients by a boolean relation;
- Types isomorphic to an instance of a generic variable-arity labeled tree type.

(Demo)

# Features

Features:

- A uniform set of formalized content;
- Reusable design patterns
- A careful management of computational behaviors;
- Several representations for a same object;
- Tactics.

But:

- Based on logic in `Prop`;
- Limited support of the tactics for HoTT;
- Almost no analysis, no category theory.

# HoTT/UF Libraries are Young

Impressive and elegant experiments but:

- Large parts of other existing libraries cannot be combined;
- Complementary contents, with incompatible styles;
- Mexican hat syndromes;
- Management of computational behavior;
- Lack of dedicated proof commands.

# Some Consolidation Perspectives

- More documentation of the road-map;
- More constructions, and more about their specific theory;
- A better tactic language?