

# A depth-first implementation of Geometric Logic in Prolog

(with proof objects)

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# GL as a fragment of FOL

- Geometric formula:  $C \Rightarrow D$
- $C = A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n$  ( $n \geq 0$ ,  $A_i$  atoms)
- $D = E_1 \vee \dots \vee E_m$  ( $m \geq 0$ )
- $E_j = (E \ x_1 \dots x_k) C_j$  ( $k \geq 0$ ,  $C_j$  like  $C$ )
- Implicit universal closure
- No function symbols (yet), only constants

# Examples

- Lattices (meet is associative, Horn clause):  
$$x \cap y = u \wedge u \cap z = v \wedge y \cap z = w \Rightarrow x \cap w = u$$
- Projective unicity (resolution clause):  
$$p|l \wedge p|m \wedge q|l \wedge q|m \Rightarrow p=q \vee l=m$$
- Diamond property (geometric clause):  
$$a \rightarrow b \wedge a \rightarrow c \Rightarrow (\exists d) (b \rightarrow d \wedge c \rightarrow d)$$
- In general:  $A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n \Rightarrow$   
$$((\exists \mathbf{x}) A_{11} \wedge \dots \wedge A_{1i}) \vee \dots \vee ((\exists \mathbf{y}) A_{k1} \wedge \dots \wedge A_{kj})$$

# Rationale

- Less skolemization
- Direct proofs
- Constructive logic
- Natural proof theory/objects

# Inductive definition of $X \vdash_{(T)} D$

• (base)  $X \vdash D$  if  $X \downarrow D$

• (step) 
$$\frac{X, \underline{C_1} \vdash D, \dots, X, \underline{C_n} \vdash D}{X \vdash D}$$

$X$  a finite set of facts (= closed atoms)

$D$  closed geometric disjunction (parameters in  $D$  must occur in  $X$ )

$X \downarrow D$  iff  $D = \dots \vee (E \mathbf{x}) C \vee \dots$  and  $X$  contains all facts in  $C[\mathbf{x}:=\mathbf{a}]$   
for suitable

parameters  $\mathbf{a}$

( ) there exists a *closed* instance  $C_0 \Rightarrow D_0$  of an axiom in  $T$  with  
 $C_0$  included in  $X$  ( $X$  contains all facts in  $C_0$ ) and

$D_0 = \dots \vee (E \mathbf{x}) C_i \vee \dots$  and each  $\underline{C_i}$  a *fresh* instance of  $C_i$   
( $1 \leq i \leq n$ )

# Metaproperties

- Soundness
- Completeness
- Constructivity
- Conservativity
- Semidecidability
- Automation (SATCHMO!)

# Examples

- exist.in
- or.in
- nijm.in

# Case studies

- Confluence theory: induction steps in Newman's Lemma, Hindley-Rosen, Self-lengthening Thm, ..
- Lattice theory:  $x \cap (y \cup z) \leq (x \cap y) \cup (x \cap z)$  for all  $x, y, z$  implies  $(x \cup y) \cap (x \cup z) \leq x \cup (y \cap z)$  for all  $x, y, z$
- Projective geometry: equivalence of two versions of Pappus' Axiom (1 minute, 1MB proof)