Well Founded Relations and Recursion

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Abstract

Fixed points, well founded relations and a recursion theorem.
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1 Introduction

For context and motivation see [1].

There are in this document two treatments of well-foundedness and the recursion theorem which differ primarily only in the type of the relations which they deal with.

Actually, they don’t look different at all. Must check out whether there are any differences!

They were at one time in separate documents but have now been brought together in the one document as a step towards rationalisation.

The material on transitive closure is common to both.

2 Transitive Closure

Elementary results about transitive relations and transitive closure.

The new theory \( tc \) is first created.

SML

```sml
open_theory "hol";
force_new_theory "tc";
set_pc "hol";
```

2.1 Definitions

HOL Constant

\[
\text{trans} : (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow \text{BOOL}
\]

\[
\forall r \cdot \text{trans } r \leftrightarrow \forall s \ t \ u \cdot r \ s \ t \land r \ t \ u \Rightarrow r \ s \ u
\]

HOL Constant

\[
\text{tc} : (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL})
\]

\[
\forall r \cdot \text{tc } r = \lambda s \ t \cdot \forall t r \cdot \text{trans } tr \land (\forall v u \cdot r \ v \ u \Rightarrow tr \ v \ u) \Rightarrow tr \ s \ t
\]

HOL Constant

\[
\text{rtc} : (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL})
\]

\[
\forall r \cdot \text{rtc } r = \lambda s \ t \cdot s = t \lor \text{tc } r \ s \ t
\]
2.2 Theorems

\[
\text{tran_tc_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r \cdot \text{trans} (tc \ r)
\]

\[
\text{tran_tc_thm2} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ x \ y \ z \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \land \text{tc} \ r \ y \ z \\
\Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r \ x \ z
\]

\[
\text{tc_incr_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ x \ y \cdot r \ x \ y \\
\Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y
\]

\[
\text{tc_decomp_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ x \ y \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \land \neg \ r \ x \ y \\
\Rightarrow \exists z \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ z \land \ r \ z \ y
\]

\[
\text{tc_decomp_thm2} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ x \ y \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \\
\Rightarrow (\exists f \ n \cdot x = f \ 0 \land y = f \ n \land (\forall m \cdot m < n \Rightarrow r \ (f \ m) \ (f \ (m + 1))))
\]

\[
\text{tc_decomp_thm3} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ x \ y \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \Rightarrow (\exists f \ n \cdot x = f \ 0 \land y = f \ (n + 1) \\
\quad \land (\forall m \cdot m \leq n \Rightarrow r \ (f \ m) \ (f \ (m + 1))))
\]

\[
\text{tc_mono_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r1 \ r2 \cdot (\forall x \ y \cdot r1 \ x \ y \Rightarrow r2 \ x \ y) \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x \ y \cdot \text{tc} \ r1 \ x \ y \Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r2 \ x \ y)
\]

\[
\text{tc_p_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ p \cdot (\forall x \ y \cdot r \ x \ y \Rightarrow p \ x) \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x \ y \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \Rightarrow p \ x)
\]

\[
\text{tc_induced_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r \ u \ x \cdot \text{tc} \ (\lambda x \ y \cdot r \ (f \ x) \ (f \ y)) \ u \ x \\
\Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r \ (f \ u) \ (f \ x)
\]

\[
\text{tran_tc_id_thm} = \\
\vdash \forall r \cdot \text{trans} \ r \Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r = r
\]

3 Well Founded Relations (I)

SML

\texttt{open\_theory "tc";}
\texttt{force\_new\_theory "wfre";}
\texttt{set\_pc "hol";}

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The first thing I need to prove here is that the transitive closure of a well-founded relation is also well-founded. This provides a form of induction with a stronger induction hypothesis.

Naturally we would expect this to be proven inductively and the question is therefore what property to use in the inductive proof, the observation that the transitive closure of a relation is well-founded is not explicitly the ascription of a property to the field of the relation. The obvious method is to relativise the required result to the transitive closure of a set, giving a property of sets, and then to prove that this property is hereditary if the relation is well-founded.

Now we prove that if the transitive closure of a relation is well-founded then so must be the relation.

\( \text{tcwflemma1} = \vdash \forall \; s \; r \bullet \text{well-founded} \; r \)
\[ \Rightarrow (\forall \; x \bullet (\forall \; y \bullet \text{tc} \; r \; y \; x \Rightarrow (\forall \; z \bullet \text{tc} \; r \; z \; y \Rightarrow s \; z) \Rightarrow s \; y)) \]
\[ \Rightarrow (\forall \; y \bullet \text{tc} \; r \; y \; x \Rightarrow s \; y) \]

\( \text{wf lemma} = \)
\[ \vdash \forall \; r \bullet \text{well-founded} \; r \Rightarrow (\forall \; s \bullet (\forall \; t \bullet (\forall \; u \bullet r \; u \; t \Rightarrow s \; u) \Rightarrow s \; t) \Rightarrow (\forall \; e \bullet s \; e)) \]

\( \text{tcwflemma2} = \)
\[ \vdash \forall \; r \bullet \text{well-founded} \; r \]
\[ \Rightarrow (\forall \; s \bullet (\forall \; t \bullet (\forall \; u \bullet \text{tc} \; r \; u \; t \Rightarrow s \; u) \Rightarrow s \; t) \Rightarrow (\forall \; e \bullet s \; e)) \]

\( \text{wf tc wf thm} = \vdash \forall \; r \bullet \text{well-founded} \; r \Rightarrow \text{well-founded} \; (\text{tc} \; r) \)

Now we prove that if the transitive closure of a relation is well-founded then so must be the relation.

\( \text{tc wf wf thm} = \vdash \forall \; r \bullet \text{well-founded} \; (\text{tc} \; r) \Rightarrow \text{well-founded} \; r \)

3.1 Induction Tactics etc.

We here define a general tactic for performing induction using some well-founded relation. The following function (I think these things are called "THM-TACTICAL"s) must be given a theorem which asserts that some relation is well-founded, and then a THM-TACTIC (which determines what is done with the induction assumption), and then a term which is the variable to induct over, and will then facilitate an inductive proof of the current goal using that theorem.
And now we make a tactic out of that (basically by saying "strip the induction hypothesis into the assumptions").

SML

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fun WF_INDUCTION_T2 (thm : THM) (ttac : THM -> TACTIC) : TERM -> TACTIC =
  let fun bad_thm thm = thm_fail "WF_INDUCTION_T2" 29021 [thm];
    val (wf, r) = (dest_app (concl thm))
    handle Fail _ => bad_thm thm;
    val sthm = ∀_elim r wf lemma
    handle Fail _ => bad_thm thm;
    val ithm = ⇒_elim sthm thm
    handle Fail _ => bad_thm thm;
  in GEN_INDUCTION_T ithm ttac end;

fun WFCV_INDUCTION_T (thm : THM) (ttac : THM -> TACTIC) : TERM -> TACTIC =
  let fun bad_thm thm = thm_fail "WFCV_INDUCTION_T" 29021 [thm];
    val (wf, r) = (dest_app (concl thm))
    handle Fail _ => bad_thm thm;
    val sthm = ∀_elim r tcwf lemma2
    handle Fail _ => bad_thm thm;
    val ithm = ⇒_elim sthm thm
    handle Fail _ => bad_thm thm;
  in GEN_INDUCTION_T ithm ttac end;
```

And now we make a tactic out of that (basically by saying "strip the induction hypothesis into the assumptions").

SML

```sml
fun wf_induction_tac (thm : THM) : TERM -> TACTIC =
  let val ttac = (WF_INDUCTION_T2 thm strip_asm_tac)
    handle ex => reraise ex "wf_induction_tac";
  in fn tm =>
    let val tac = (ttac tm) handle ex => reraise ex "wf_induction_tac";
    in fn gl => ((tac gl) handle ex => reraise ex "wf_induction_tac") end end

fun wfcv_induction_tac (thm : THM) : TERM -> TACTIC =
  let val ttac = (WFCV_INDUCTION_T thm strip_asm_tac)
    handle ex => reraise ex "wfcv_induction_tac";
  in fn tm =>
    let val tac = (ttac tm) handle ex => reraise ex "wfcv_induction_tac";
    in fn gl => ((tac gl) handle ex => reraise ex "wfcv_induction_tac") end
```

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3.2 Well-foundedness and Induction

The following proof shows how the above induction tactic can be used. The theorem can be paraphrased loosely along the lines that there are no bottomless descending chains in a well-founded relation. We think of a bottomless descending chain as a non-empty set (represented by a property called "p") every element of which is preceded by an element under the transitive closure of r.

Now a shorter formulation of bottomless pits.

Next we prove the converse, that the lack of bottomless pits entails well-foundedness.

Now with second order foundation.

Try a weaker hypothesis.

3.3 Bottomless Pits and Minimal Elements

The following theorem states something like that if there are no unending downward chains then every "set" has a minimal element.

A second order version with the weaker bottomless pits can be formulated as follows:

It follows that all non-empty collections of predecessors under a well-founded relation have minimal elements.

But the converse does not hold.

3.4 Restrictions of Well-Founded Relations

In this section we show that a restriction of a well-founded relation is well-founded.

3.5 Well Founded Recursion

I have already proved a recursion theorem fairly closely following the formulation and proof devised by Tobias Nipkow for Isabelle-HOL. There are two reasons for my wanting a different version of this result. The Nipkow derived version works with relations rather than functions, and in my version the relations are ProofPower sets of pairs (I think in the original they were probably properties of pairs). This is probably all easily modded into one which works directly with functions but I though it should be possible also to do a neater proof (the "proof" of the recursion theorem in Kunen is just a couple of lines).

The end result certainly looks nicer, we’ll have to see whether it works out well in practice. In particular the fixpoint operator simply takes a functional as an argument and delivers the fixed point as a result. The functional which you give it as an argument, in the simple cases, is just what you get by abstracting the right hand side of a recursive definition on the name of the function (more complicated of course if a pattern matching definition is used). The relation with respect to which the recursion is well-founded need only be mentioned when attempting to prove that this does yield a fixed point.
Another minor improvement is that I do not require the relation to be transitive.

This is the end result:

\[
\text{fixp_thm1} = \vdash \forall f \bullet \text{well-founded } r \land f \text{ respects } r \Rightarrow \exists g \bullet f \ g = g
\]

The proof is shorter than (my version of) the original, but by less than 20 percent. I'm sure there's lots of scope for improvement. (The isabelle version is much shorter than either.)

### 3.5.1 Defining the Fixed Point Operator

The main part of this is the proof that functionals which are well-founded with respect to some well-founded relation have fixed points. This done, the operator “fix” is defined, which yields such a fixed point.

**SML**

\[
declare infix (240, "respects");
\]

**HOL Constant**

\[
\text{respects} : (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{BOOL}) \rightarrow \mathbb{BOOL}
\]

\[\forall f \ r \bullet \text{respects } r \iff \forall g \ h \ x \bullet (\forall y \bullet (\text{tc } r \ y \ x \Rightarrow g \ y = h \ y) \Rightarrow f \ g \ x = f \ h \ x\]

**HOL Constant**

\[
\text{fixed_below} : (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{BOOL}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow \mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{BOOL}
\]

\[\forall f \ g \ x \bullet \text{fixed_below } f \ g \ x \iff \forall y \bullet \text{tc } r \ y \ x \Rightarrow f \ g \ y = g \ y\]

**HOL Constant**

\[
\text{fixed_at} : (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{BOOL}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow \mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{BOOL}
\]

\[\forall f \ g \ x \bullet \text{fixed_at } f \ g \ x \iff \text{fixed_below } f \ g \ x \land f \ g \ x = g \ x\]

**HOL Constant**

\[
\text{fix} : (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}) \rightarrow \mathbb{\'a} \rightarrow \mathbb{\'b}
\]

\[\forall f \bullet \text{well-founded } r \land f \text{ respects } r \Rightarrow f \ (\text{fix } f) = \text{fix } f\]

### 3.5.2 Partial Functions

Having reformulated the recursion theorem to work with total functions in HOL rather than relations, I later decided that I needed a version which supported the definition of functions over a subset of a type.

The application I am thinking of here is as follows.

A new type is to be defined. The carrier is defined using induction. One of the primitive operators over the new type must be defined inductively. If it weren’t primitive it could be defined by well
founded induction over the new type, but given that it is primitive it has to be defined over the representation set. I’m guessing a function is still required rather than a relation (it probably doesn’t make much difference) but either way it will only be nicely behaved over the representation set.

I’m not sure that I have an example of that kind, but here is a better example. If you want to code something into some membership structure, e.g. “godelising” the syntax of a language to prove a Tarski-like definability result, you don’t want to make a new type of this inductively defined set, but you will need to define functions by recursion over the set.

There are some other things I want to try out at the same time.

They are:

• recovering the “well-founded” relation from the functor which is required to respect it, i.e. recovering the relation which it respects.

• taking a fixed point which is a function not defined over the whole type, not even defined over some specified subset, but which is defined over the well-founded part of the dependency relation of the defining functor.

The possibility has arisen to take a fixpoint of this kind without consideration of well-foundedness, but taking a closure of the empty set under some functor derived from the defining functor. I haven’t yet got a very clear idea on this one, and don’t know how closely this material comes to it.

Anyway, for starters I will try to formulate the revised fixedpoint conjecture.

### 3.5.3 Extracting a Minimal Respected Relation

**HOL Constant**

\[ \text{ResRelOfFunctor} : (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow BOOL) \]

\[ \forall f x y \bullet \text{ResRelOfFunctor} f x y \Leftrightarrow \exists g v \bullet \neg f g y = f (\lambda z \bullet \text{if } z = x \text{ then } v \text{ else } g z) y \]

### 3.5.4 The Well-founded Part of a Relation

**HOL Constant**

\[ \text{WfDomOf} : (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow BOOL) \rightarrow (\forall a \rightarrow BOOL) \]

\[ \forall r \bullet \text{WfDomOf} r = (\lambda x \bullet \forall p \bullet (\forall w \bullet (\forall v \bullet r w v \Rightarrow p w) \Rightarrow p v) \Rightarrow p x) \]

**HOL Constant**

\[ \text{WfPartOf} : (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow BOOL) \rightarrow (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow BOOL) \]

\[ \forall r \bullet \text{WfPartOf} r = (\lambda x y \bullet r x y \land \text{WfDomOf} r y) \]

Now we want a conjecture to the effect that any functor has a partial fixed point, i.e. a function whose behaviour over the well-founded part of its respected relation is fixed under the functor.

However, there is no point in doing that without checking that these definitions work.
3.5.5 Respect Theorems

Some theorems which help to prove that functions respect relations.

My first applications of the recursion theorem are in set theory, typically involving recursion which respects membership or its transitive closure.

3.5.6 The Inverse of a Relation

The following function takes a relation and a function and returns a function which maps each element in the domain of the relation to the relation which holds between a predecessor of that element and its value under the function. i.e. it maps the function over the predecessors of the element and returns the result as a relation. It may therefore be used to rephrase primitive recursive definitions, and so the result which follows may be used to establish the existence of functions defined by primitive recursion.

HOL Constant

\[
\text{relmap} : (a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow \text{BOOL}))
\]

\[
\forall r f \cdot \text{relmap} r f = \lambda x y z \cdot r y x \land z = f y
\]

4 Well-Founded Relations (II)

This is a transcription of the treatment of well-foundedness on which "galactic" set theory was based (from rbjpub/pp/x002.xml).

One of the principle well-founded relations of interest in this application is \(\in_g\), which has type

\[
\forall : GS \rightarrow GS \rightarrow \text{BOOL}^*
\]

so I would like a version of "well-founded" which has type:

\[
\forall : (a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow \text{BOOL}^*
\]

The new theory \(\text{wf}_{\text{relp}}\) is first created.

SML

```sml
val ResRelOfFunctor_def = get_spec "ResRelOfFunctor";
val WfPartOf_def = get_spec "WfPartOf";
val WfDomOf_def = get_spec "WfDomOf";
```
4.1 Well-Founded Relations

Definition of well-founded and transitive-well-founded and proof that the transitive closure of a well-founded relation is transitive-well-founded.

HOL Constant

\[ \text{well\_founded}: (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \]

\[ \forall r \bullet \text{well\_founded} r \iff \forall s \bullet (\forall x \bullet (\forall y \bullet r y x \Rightarrow s y) \Rightarrow s x) \Rightarrow \forall x \bullet s x \]

HOL Constant

\[ \text{twfp}: (\forall a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \]

\[ \forall r \bullet \text{twfp} r \iff \text{well\_founded} r \land \text{trans} r \]

The first thing I need to prove here is that the transitive closure of a well-founded relation is also well-founded. This provides a form of induction with a stronger induction hypothesis. Naturally we would expect this to be proven inductively and the question is therefore what property to use in the inductive proof, the observation that the transitive closure of a relation is well-founded is not explicitly the ascription of a property to the field of the relation. The obvious method is to relativise the required result to the transitive closure of a set, giving a property of sets, and then to prove that this property is hereditary if the relation is well-founded.

**tcwf lemma 1**

\[ \vdash \forall s r \bullet \text{well\_founded} r \Rightarrow \forall x \bullet (\forall y \bullet \text{tc} r y x \Rightarrow (\forall z \bullet \text{tc} r z y \Rightarrow s z) \Rightarrow s y) \Rightarrow (\forall y \bullet \text{tc} r y x \Rightarrow s y) \]

**wf lemma 2**

\[ \vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well\_founded} r \Rightarrow (\forall s \bullet (\forall t \bullet (\forall u \bullet r u t \Rightarrow s u) \Rightarrow s t) \Rightarrow (\forall e \bullet s e)) \]

**tcwf lemma 2**

\[ \vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well\_founded} r \Rightarrow \forall s \bullet (\forall t \bullet (\forall u \bullet \text{tc} r u t \Rightarrow s u) \Rightarrow s t) \Rightarrow (\forall e \bullet s e) \]

**wf_tc_wf_thm**

\[ \vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well\_founded} (\text{tc} r) \Rightarrow \text{well\_founded} r \]

Now we prove that if the transitive closure of a relation is well-founded then so must be the relation.

**tc_wf_wf_thm**

\[ \vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well\_founded} (\text{tc} r) \Rightarrow \text{well\_founded} r \]

**tc_twf_thm**

\[ \vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well\_founded} r \Rightarrow \text{twfp} (\text{tc} r) \]

We here define a general tactic for performing induction using some well-founded relation.

The following function (I think these things are called “THM-TACTICAL”s) must be given a theorem which asserts that some relation is well-founded, and then a THM-TACTIC (which determines what is done with the induction assumption), and then a term which is the variable to induct over, and will then facilitate an inductive proof of the current goal using that theorem.
And now we make a tactic out of that (basically by saying "strip the induction hypothesis into the assumptions").

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    val (wf, r) = (dest_app (concl thm))
    handle Fail => bad_thm thm;
    val sthm = \_elim r wf_lemma2
    handle Fail => bad_thm thm;
    val ithm = \_elim sthm thm
    handle Fail => bad_thm thm;
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);;

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    val (wf, r) = (dest_app (concl thm))
    handle Fail => bad_thm thm;
    val sthm = \_elim r tcuf_lemma2
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    val ithm = \_elim sthm thm
    handle Fail => bad_thm thm;
  in GEN_INDUCTION_T ithm ttac end
);;
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SML

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  in fn tm =>
    let val tac = (ttac tm) handle ex => reraise ex "wf_induction_tac";
    in fn gl => ((tac gl) handle ex => reraise ex "wf_induction_tac")
  end end
);

fun wfcv_induction_tac (thm : THM) : TERM -> TACTIC =
  let val ttac = (WFCV_INDUCTION_T thm strip_asm_tac)
    handle ex => reraise ex "wfcv_induction_tac";
  in fn tm =>
    let val tac = (ttac tm) handle ex => reraise ex "wfcv_induction_tac";
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4.1.1 Well-foundedness and Induction

The following proof shows how the above induction tactic can be used. The theorem can be paraphrased loosely along the lines that there are no bottomless descending chains in a well-founded relation. We think of a bottomless descending chain as a non-empty set (represented by a property called "p") every element of which is preceded by an element under the transitive closure of r.

\[
\forall r \cdot \text{well-founded } r \implies \forall x \cdot \neg \exists p \cdot p \land \forall y \cdot p y \implies t r x y \land \exists z \cdot p z \land r z y
\]

Now a shorter formulation of bottomless pits.

\[
\forall r \cdot \text{well-founded } r \implies \neg \exists p \cdot p v \land \forall y \cdot p y \implies \exists z \cdot p z \land r z y
\]

\[
\forall r \cdot (\forall x \cdot \neg \exists p \cdot p v \land \forall y \cdot p y \implies t r x y \land \exists z \cdot p z \land r z y) \implies \text{well-founded } r
\]

\[
\forall r \cdot \text{well-founded } r \implies (\forall x \cdot \neg (\exists p \cdot p v \land (\forall y \cdot p y \implies t r x y \land (\exists z \cdot p z \land r z y))))
\]

Now with second order foundation.

\[
\neg \exists p \cdot p v \land \forall y \cdot p y \implies \exists z \cdot p z \land r z y
\]

Try a weaker hypothesis.

\[
\forall r \cdot (\forall x \cdot \neg \exists p \cdot p v \land \forall y \cdot p y \implies \exists z \cdot p z \land r z y) \implies \text{well-founded } r
\]

4.1.2 Bottomless Pits and Minimal Elements

The following theorem states something like that if there are no unending downward chains then every "set" has a minimal element.
A second order version with the weaker bottomless pits can be formulated as follows:

\[ \forall r \forall x (\forall y \exists z r y x \land \exists v r v z \land r v x) \]

It follows that all non-empty collections of predecessors under a well-founded relation have minimal elements.

\[ \forall x (\exists y r y x) \Rightarrow \exists z r z x \land \neg \exists v r v z \land r v x \]

But the converse does not hold.

4.2 Some Consequences of WellFoundedness

4.3 Ways of Constructing WellFounded Relations

In this section we show that a restriction of a well-founded relation is well-founded.

4.4 Proof Context

In this section I will create a decent proof context for recursive definitions, eventually.
4.4.1 Proof Context

SML

(* commit_pc "wf_relp"; *)

4.5 Recursion Theorem

SML

open theory "wf_relp";
force_new theory "wf_recp";

4.5.1 Defining the Fixed Point Operator

The main part of this is the proof that functionals which are well-founded with respect to some well-founded relation have fixed points. This done, the operator "fix" is defined, which yields such a fixed point.

SML

declare infix (240, "respects");

HOL Constant

$\text{respects}$: $((a \to b) \to (a \to b)) \to (a \to a \to BOOL) \to BOOL$

\[ \forall f \ r \bullet f \text{ respects } r \iff \forall g \ h \ x \bullet (\forall y \bullet (tc \ r) \ y \ x \Rightarrow g \ y = h \ y) \Rightarrow f \ g \ x = f \ h \ x \]

HOL Constant

fixed_below: $((a \to b) \to (a \to b)) \to (a \to a \to BOOL) \to (a \to b) \to 'a \to BOOL$

\[ \forall f \ g \ x \bullet \text{fixed_below } f \ g \ x \iff \forall y \bullet tc \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow f \ g \ y = g \ y \]

HOL Constant

fixed_at: $((a \to b) \to (a \to b)) \to (a \to a \to BOOL) \to (a \to b) \to 'a \to BOOL$

\[ \forall f \ g \ x \bullet \text{fixed_at } f \ g \ x \iff \text{fixed_below } f \ g \ x \land f \ g \ x = g \ x \]

HOL Constant

fix: $((a \to b) \to (a \to b)) \to 'a \to 'b$

\[ \forall f \bullet \text{wellFounded } r \land f \text{ respects } r \Rightarrow f \ (\text{fix } f) = \text{fix } f \]

4.5.2 The Inverse of a Relation

The following function takes a relation and a function and returns a function which maps each element in the domain of the relation to the relation which holds between a predecessor of that element and its value under the function. i.e. it maps the function over the predecessors of the
element and returns the result as a relation. It may therefore be used to rephrase primitive recursive definitions, and so the result which follows may be used to establish the existence of functions defined by primitive recursion.

HOL Constant

```
relmap : ('a → 'a → BOOL) → ('a → 'b) → ('a → ('a → 'b → BOOL))
```

\[
\forall r \ f \bullet \ relmap \ r \ f = \lambda x \ y \ z \bullet \ r \ y \ x \land \ z = f \ y
\]

4.5.3 Proof Context

SML

```
(* commit_pc "wf_relp": *)
```
5 The Theory tc

5.1 Parents

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5.2 Children

\[ X - Logic - Auth \ \text{wf}\_\text{relp} \ \text{wfrel} \]

5.3 Constants

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{trans} & \quad (a \to a \to BOOL) \to BOOL \\
\text{tc} & \quad (a \to a \to BOOL) \to (a \to a \to BOOL) \\
\text{rtc} & \quad (a \to a \to BOOL) \to (a \to a \to BOOL)
\end{align*}
\]

5.4 Definitions

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{trans} \vdash \forall \ r \cdot \text{trans} \ r \leftrightarrow (\forall \ s \ t \ u \cdot \ r \ s \ t \land r \ t \ u \Rightarrow r \ s \ u) \\
\text{tc} \vdash \forall \ r \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{tc} \ r \\
\quad \quad (\lambda \ s \ t)
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\quad \bullet \ \forall \ \text{tr} \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{trans} \ \text{tr} \land (\forall \ \text{u} \ \text{v} \cdot \ r \ \text{v} \ u \Rightarrow \ \text{tr} \ \text{v} \ u) \Rightarrow \ \text{tr} \ r \ s \ t)
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{rtc} \vdash \forall \ r \cdot \text{rtc} \ r = (\lambda \ s \ t \cdot s = t \lor \ \text{tc} \ r \ s \ t)
\end{align*}
\]

5.5 Theorems

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{trans}\_\text{tc}\_\text{thm} \vdash \forall \ r \cdot \text{trans} \ (\text{tc} \ r) \\
\text{trans}\_\text{tc}\_\text{thm2} \vdash \forall \ r \ x \ y \ z \cdot \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \land \text{tc} \ r \ y \ z \Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r \ x \ z \\
\text{tc}\_\text{incr}\_\text{thm} \vdash \forall \ r \ x \ y \cdot \text{r} \ x \ y \Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \\
\text{tc}\_\text{decomp}\_\text{thm} \vdash \forall \ r \ x \ y \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\exists \ f \ n \\
\quad \quad \quad \ • \ x = f \ 0 \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land \ y = f \ n \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall \ m \ • \ m < n \Rightarrow r \ (f \ m) \ (f \ (m + 1))))
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{tc}\_\text{decomp}\_\text{thm2} \vdash \forall \ r \ x \ y \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\exists \ f \ n \\
\quad \quad \quad \ • \ x = f \ 0 \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land \ y = f \ (n + 1) \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall \ m \ • \ m \leq n \Rightarrow r \ (f \ m) \ (f \ (m + 1))))
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{tc}\_\text{decomp}\_\text{thm3} \vdash \forall \ r \ x \ y \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{tc} \ r \ x \ y \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\exists \ f \ n \\
\quad \quad \quad \ • \ x = f \ 0 \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land \ y = f \ (n + 1) \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall \ m \ • \ m \leq n \Rightarrow r \ (f \ m) \ (f \ (m + 1))))
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{tc}\_\text{mono}\_\text{thm} \vdash \forall \ r1 \ r2 \\
\quad \bullet \ (\forall \ x \ y \cdot r1 \ x \ y \Rightarrow r2 \ x \ y) \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\forall \ x \ y \cdot \text{tc} \ r1 \ x \ y \Rightarrow \text{tc} \ r2 \ x \ y)
\end{align*}
\]
\( \text{tc\_p\_thm} \quad \vdash \forall \, r \, p \bullet (\forall \, x \, y \bullet r \, x \, y \Rightarrow p \, x) \Rightarrow (\forall \, x \, y \bullet \text{tc} \, r \, x \, y \Rightarrow p \, x) \)

\( \text{tc\_induced\_thm} \quad \vdash \forall \, r \, u \, x \)
\begin{itemize}
  \item \( \text{tc} \, (\lambda \, x \, y \bullet r \, (f \, x) \, (f \, y)) \, u \, x \Rightarrow \text{tc} \, r \, (f \, u) \, (f \, x) \)
\end{itemize}

\( \text{tran}\_\text{tc\_id\_thm} \quad \vdash \forall \, r \bullet \text{trans} \, r \Rightarrow \text{tc} \, r = r \)
6 The Theory wfrel

6.1 Parents
tc

6.2 Constants

\textit{well-founded} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{twfp} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{\$respects} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{fixed_below} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{fixed_at} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{fix} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{ResRelOfFunctor} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{WfDomOf} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{WfPartOf} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

\textit{relmap} \quad \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rightarrow \forall \ a \rightarrow \text{BOOL}

6.3 Fixity

Right Infix 240:

\textit{respects}

6.4 Definitions

\textit{well-founded} \vdash \forall \ r

\quad \bullet \quad \textit{well-founded} \ r

\quad \leftrightarrow \ \forall \ s

\quad \bullet \quad (\forall \ x \bullet (\forall \ y \bullet r \ y \ x \Rightarrow s \ y) \Rightarrow s \ x) \Rightarrow (\forall \ x \bullet s \ x)

\textit{twfp} \vdash \forall \ r \bullet \textit{twfp} \ r \leftrightarrow \textit{well-founded} \ r \land \text{trans} \ r

\textit{respects} \vdash \forall \ f \ r

\quad \bullet \quad f \ \textit{respects} \ r

\quad \leftrightarrow \ (\forall \ g \ h \ x

\quad \bullet \quad (\forall \ y \bullet \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow g \ y = h \ y) \Rightarrow f \ g \ x = f \ h \ x)

\textit{fixed_below} \vdash \forall \ f \ r \ g \ x

\quad \bullet \quad \textit{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ g \ x \leftrightarrow (\forall \ y \bullet \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow f \ g \ y = g \ y)

\textit{fixed_at} \vdash \forall \ f \ r \ g \ x

\quad \bullet \quad \textit{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ g \ x

\quad \leftrightarrow \ \textit{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ g \ x \land f \ g \ x = g \ x

\textit{fix} \vdash \text{ConstSpec}
\[(\lambda \text{fix}'
\quad \bullet \forall f \, r \\
\quad \bullet \text{well-founded } r \land f \text{ respects } r \\
\quad \Rightarrow f \, (\text{fix}' \, f) = \text{fix}' \, f)\]

\text{fix}

\text{ResRelOfFunctor}
\vdash \forall f \, x \, y
\quad \bullet \text{ResRelOfFunctor } f \, x \, y \\
\quad \Leftrightarrow (\exists \, g \, v \Rightarrow \neg \, f \, g \, y = f \, (\lambda \, z \bullet \text{if } z = x \text{ then } v \text{ else } g \, z) \, y)\]

\text{WfDomOf}
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \text{WfDomOf } r \\
\quad = (\lambda x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \forall p \bullet (\forall w \bullet r \, w \, v \Rightarrow p \, w \Rightarrow s \, v) \Rightarrow p \, x)\]

\text{WfPartOf}
\vdash \forall r \bullet \text{WfPartOf } r = (\lambda x \, y \bullet r \, x \, y \land \text{WfDomOf } r \, y)\]

\text{relmap}
\vdash \forall r \bullet \text{relmap } r \, f = (\lambda x \, y \bullet r \, x \, y \land z = f \, y)\]

6.5 Theorems

\text{tcwf_lemma1}
\vdash \forall \, s \, r \\
\quad \bullet \text{well-founded } r \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet (\forall y \bullet \text{tc } r \, y \, x \Rightarrow (\forall z \bullet \text{tc } r \, z \, y \Rightarrow s \, z) \Rightarrow s \, y) \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\forall y \bullet \text{tc } r \, y \, x \Rightarrow s \, y))\]

\text{wf_lemma}
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \text{well-founded } r \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall s \\
\quad \quad \bullet (\forall t \bullet (\forall u \bullet r \, u \, t \Rightarrow s \, u) \Rightarrow s \, t) \Rightarrow (\forall e \bullet s \, e))\]

\text{tcwf_lemma2}
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \text{well-founded } r \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall s \\
\quad \quad \bullet (\forall t \bullet (\forall u \bullet r \, u \, t \Rightarrow s \, u) \Rightarrow s \, t) \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\forall e \bullet s \, e))\]

\text{wf_tc_wf_thm}
\vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well-founded } r \Rightarrow \text{well-founded } (\text{tc } r)\]

\text{tc_wf_wf_thm}
\vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well-founded } (\text{tc } r) \Rightarrow \text{well-founded } r\]

\text{tc_wf_twf_thm}
\vdash \forall r \bullet \text{well-founded } r \Rightarrow \text{twfp } (\text{tc } r)\]

\text{wf_nochain_thm}
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \text{well-founded } r \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \neg \, (\exists \, p \, v \\
\quad \quad \quad \bullet p \, v \\
\quad \quad \quad \land (\forall y \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet p \, y \Rightarrow \text{tc } r \, y \, x \land (\exists z \bullet p \, z \land r \, z \, y))))\]

\text{wf wf thm}
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \text{well-founded } r \\
\quad \Rightarrow \neg \, (\exists \, p \, v \\
\quad \quad \bullet p \, v \land (\forall y \bullet p \, y \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p \, z \land r \, z \, y))))\]

\text{nochain wf thm}
\vdash \forall r
\[
\begin{align*}
&\forall x \\
&\quad \neg (\exists p v) \\
&\quad p v \\
&\quad (\forall y) \\
&\quad p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \wedge (\exists z \bullet p z \wedge r z y)))) \\
\Rightarrow well\_founded r
\end{align*}
\]

\textit{wf\_induct\_thm}

\[
\vdash \neg (\exists p v) \bullet p v \wedge (\forall y \bullet p y \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p z \wedge r z y)))) \\
\Rightarrow well\_founded r
\]

\textit{nochain\_wf\_thm2}

\[
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad (\forall x) \\
\quad \neg (\exists p v) \\
\quad p v \\
\quad (\forall y) \\
\quad p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \wedge (\exists z \bullet p z \wedge r z y)))) \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x) \\
\quad (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \wedge \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \wedge r v x))
\]

\textit{nochain\_min\_thm}

\[
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad (\forall x) \\
\quad \neg (\exists p v) \\
\quad p v \\
\quad (\forall y) \\
\quad p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \wedge (\exists z \bullet p z \wedge r z y)))) \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x) \\
\quad (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \wedge \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \wedge r v x))
\]

\textit{nochain\_min\_thm2}

\[
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad (\forall x) \\
\quad \neg (\exists p v) \\
\quad p v \\
\quad (\forall y) \\
\quad p y \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p z \wedge \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \wedge p v))) \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x) \\
\quad (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \wedge \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \wedge v v x))
\]

\textit{wf\_min\_thm}

\[
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad well\_founded r \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x) \\
\quad (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \wedge \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \wedge v v x))
\]

\textit{min\_not\_wf\_thm}

\[
\vdash \exists r \\
\quad (\forall x) \\
\quad (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \wedge \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \wedge v v x))) \\
\wedge \neg well\_founded r
\]

\textit{wf\_restrict\_wf\_thm}

\[
\vdash \forall r \\
\quad well\_founded r \\
\Rightarrow (\forall r2 \bullet well\_founded (\lambda x y \bullet r2 x y \wedge r x y))
\]

\textit{fixed\_below\_lemma1}

\[
\vdash \forall f r \\
\quad well\_founded r \wedge f \text{ respects } r \\
\Rightarrow (\forall x \ g \ y)
\]
• fixed_below \(f \cdot r \cdot g \cdot x \land tc \cdot r \cdot y \cdot x\)
   \(\Rightarrow fixed_below \ f \ r \ g \ y\)

**fixed_at_lemma1**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall x \ g)
  
  • fixed_below \(f \cdot r \cdot g \cdot x\) \(\Rightarrow fixed_at \ f \ r \ (f \ g) \cdot x\)

**fixed_at_lemma2**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall x \ g)
  
  • fixed_below \(f \cdot r \cdot g \cdot x\)
    \(\Rightarrow (\forall y \bullet tc \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow fixed_at \ f \ r \ g \ y))\)

**fixed_below_lemma2**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall x \ g \ h)
  
  • fixed_below \(f \cdot r \cdot g \cdot x \land fixed_below \ f \ r \ h \cdot x\)
    \(\Rightarrow (\forall z \bullet tc \ r \ z \ x \Rightarrow h \ z = g \ z)\)

**fixed_at_lemma3**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall g \ x)
  
  • fixed_at \(f \cdot r \cdot g \cdot x\)
    \(\Rightarrow (\forall y \bullet tc \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow fixed_at \ f \ r \ g \ y))\)

**fixed_at_lemma4**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall g \ h \ x)
  
  • fixed_at \(f \cdot r \cdot g \cdot x \land fixed_at \ f \ r \ h \cdot x\)
    \(\Rightarrow g \ x = h \ x)\)

**fixed_below_lemma3**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall x)
  
  • \(\forall y \bullet tc \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow (\exists g \bullet fixed_at \ f \ r \ g \ y))\)
    \(\Rightarrow (\exists g \bullet fixed_below \ f \ r \ g \ x)\)

**fixed_below_lemma4**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall x \bullet \exists g \bullet fixed_below \ f \ r \ g \ x)\)

**fixed_at_lemma5**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall g \ h \ x)
  
  • \(\forall y \bullet tc \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow fixed_at \ f \ r \ g \ y)\)
    \(\Rightarrow fixed_below \ f \ r \ g \ x)\)

**fixed_below_lemma5**

\[\vdash \forall f \ r\]

• well_founded \(r \land f \text{ respects } r\)
  \(\Rightarrow (\forall x \bullet \exists g \bullet fixed_below \ f \ r \ g \ x)\)
fixed_lemma1 \vdash \forall f \ r
  \begin{itemize}
  \item well-founded \ r \land f \ respects \ r
  \end{itemize}
  \Rightarrow \ (\forall x
  \begin{itemize}
  \item fixed_at
  \end{itemize}
  \ r
  \begin{itemize}
  \item (\lambda x \bullet (\epsilon h \bullet fixed_at f \ r \ h \ x) \ x)
  \end{itemize}
  \ x)
  \fixp_thm1 \vdash \forall f \ r \bullet well\_founded \ r \land f \ respects \ r \Rightarrow (\exists g \bullet f \ g = g)
  \relmap\_respect\_thm \vdash \forall r \ g \bullet (\lambda f \bullet g \circ relmap \ r \ f) \ respects \ r
  \mono\_respects\_thm \vdash \forall f \ r1 \ r2
  \begin{itemize}
  \item f \ respects \ r1 \land (\forall x \ y \bullet r1 \ x \ y \Rightarrow r2 \ x \ y)
  \end{itemize}
  \Rightarrow f \ respects \ r2
7 The Theory wf_relp

7.1 Parents

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7.2 Children

gsu− ax  fixgst− ax wf_recp

7.3 Constants

well_founded  ('a → 'a → BOOL) → BOOL

twfp  ('a → 'a → BOOL) → BOOL

7.4 Definitions

well_founded  ⊢ ∀ r
  • well_founded r
  ⇔ (∀ s
    • (∀ x• (∀ y• r y x ⇒ s y) ⇒ s x) ⇒ (∀ x• s x))

twfp  ⊢ ∀ r• twfp r ⇔ well_founded r ∧ trans r

7.5 Theorems

tcwf_lemma1  ⊢ ∀ s r
  • well_founded r
  ⇒ (∀ x
    • (∀ y• tc r y x ⇒ (∀ z• tc r z y ⇒ s z) ⇒ s y)
      ⇒ (∀ y• tc r y x ⇒ s y))

wf_lemma2  ⊢ ∀ r
  • well_founded r
  ⇒ (∀ s
    • (∀ t• (∀ u• r u t ⇒ s u) ⇒ s t) ⇒ (∀ e• s e))

tcwf_lemma2  ⊢ ∀ r
  • well_founded r
  ⇒ (∀ s
    • (∀ t• (∀ u• tc r u t ⇒ s u) ⇒ s t)
      ⇒ (∀ e• s e))

wf_tcwf_thm  ⊢ ∀ r• well_founded r ⇒ well_founded (tc r)

tcwf_wf_thm  ⊢ ∀ r• well_founded (tc r) ⇒ well_founded r

tc_wf_twf_thm  ⊢ ∀ r• well_founded r ⇒ twfp (tc r)

wf_nochain_thm  ⊢ ∀ r
  • well_founded r
  ⇒ (∀ x
    • ¬ (∃ p v
      • p v
      ∧ (∀ y
\[ p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \land (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y) \]

\[ wf_{\text{wf thm}} \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{well}_{\text{founded}} r \\
\quad \Rightarrow \neg (\exists p v \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ p v \land (\forall y \bullet p y \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y))) \]

\[ nochain_{\text{wf thm}} \]
\[ \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ \neg (\exists p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall y \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \land (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y)))) \\
\quad \Rightarrow \text{well}_{\text{founded}} r \]

\[ wf_{\Leftrightarrow nochain_{\text{thm}} thm} \]
\[ \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{well}_{\text{founded}} r \\
\quad \Leftrightarrow (\forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ \neg (\exists p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall y \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \land (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y)))) \\
\quad \Rightarrow \text{well}_{\text{founded}} r \]

\[ wf_{\text{induct thm}} \]
\[ \vdash \neg (\exists p v \bullet p v \land (\forall y \bullet p y \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y))) \\
\quad \Rightarrow \text{well}_{\text{founded}} r \]

\[ nochain_{\text{wf thm 2}} \]
\[ \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ \neg (\exists p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall y \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \land (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y)))) \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \land \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \land r v x))) \]

\[ nochain_{\text{min thm}} \]
\[ \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ \neg (\exists p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall y \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p y \Rightarrow tc r y x \land (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y)))) \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ (\exists y \bullet r y x) \\
\quad \quad \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r z x \land \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \land r v x))) \]

\[ nochain_{\text{min thm 2}} \]
\[ \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ \neg (\exists p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \bullet \ p v \\
\quad \quad \quad \quad \land (\forall y \bullet p y \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p z \land r z y)))) \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall p \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ (\exists y \bullet p y) \Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet p z \land \neg (\exists v \bullet r v z \land p v)))) \]

\[ wf_{\text{min thm}} \]
\[ \vdash \forall r \\
\quad \bullet \ \text{well}_{\text{founded}} r \\
\quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \\
\quad \quad \bullet \ (\exists y \bullet r y x) \]
$$\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r \ z \ x \land \neg (\exists v \bullet r \ v \ z \land r \ v \ x))$$

\textit{minr_not_wf_thm}

\[\vdash \exists r\]

\[\bullet (\forall x\]

\[\bullet (\exists y \bullet r \ y \ x)\]

\[\Rightarrow (\exists z \bullet r \ z \ x \land \neg (\exists v \bullet r \ v \ z \land r \ v \ x))\]

\[\land \neg \text{wellFounded } r\]

\textit{wf_not_refl_thm}

\[\vdash \forall r \bullet \text{wellFounded } r \Rightarrow \neg (\exists x \bullet r \ x \ x)\]

\textit{wf_restrict_wf_thm}

\[\vdash \forall r\]

\[\bullet \text{wellFounded } r\]

\[\Rightarrow (\forall r2 \bullet \text{wellFounded } (\lambda x \ y \bullet r2 \ x \ y \land r \ x \ y))\]

\textit{wf_image_wf_thm}

\[\vdash \forall r\]

\[\bullet \text{wellFounded } r\]

\[\Rightarrow (\forall f \bullet \text{wellFounded } (\lambda x \ y \bullet r \ (f \ x) \ (f \ y)))\]
8  The Theory wf_recp

8.1 Parents

\[ \text{wf_relp} \]

8.2 Children

\[ \text{gsu} \rightarrow \text{ax} \quad \text{gst} \rightarrow \text{ax} \]

8.3 Constants

\[ \begin{align*}
\$ \text{respects} & \quad (\langle a \rightarrow b \rangle \rightarrow \langle a \rightarrow b \rangle) \rightarrow (\langle a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rangle \rightarrow \text{BOOL}) \\
\text{fixed_below} & \quad (\langle a \rightarrow b \rangle \rightarrow \langle a \rightarrow b \rangle) \\
& \quad \rightarrow (\langle a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rangle) \\
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& \quad \rightarrow (\langle a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rangle) \\
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& \quad \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \\
\text{fix} & \quad (\langle a \rightarrow b \rangle \rightarrow \langle a \rightarrow b \rangle) \\
& \quad \rightarrow \langle a \rightarrow b \rangle \\
\text{relmap} & \quad (\langle a \rightarrow a \rightarrow \text{BOOL} \rangle \rightarrow (\langle a \rightarrow b \rangle \rightarrow \langle a \rightarrow a \rightarrow b \rangle \rightarrow \text{BOOL})
\end{align*} \]

8.4 Fixity

\[ \text{Right Infix 240:} \]

\[ \text{respects} \]

8.5 Definitions

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{respects} & \quad \vdash \forall f \; r \\
& \quad \bullet f \; \text{respects} \; r \\
& \quad \Leftrightarrow (\forall g \; h \; x \\
& \quad \bullet (\forall y \bullet \text{tc} \; r \; y \; x \Rightarrow g \; y = h \; y) \Rightarrow f \; g \; x = f \; h \; x) \\
\text{fixed_below} & \quad \vdash \forall f \; r \; g \; x \\
& \quad \bullet \text{fixed_below} \; f \; r \; g \; x \Leftrightarrow (\forall y \bullet \text{tc} \; r \; y \; x \Rightarrow f \; g \; y = g \; y) \\
\text{fixed_at} & \quad \vdash \forall f \; r \; g \; x \\
& \quad \bullet \text{fixed_at} \; f \; r \; g \; x \\
& \quad \Leftrightarrow \text{fixed_below} \; f \; r \; g \; x \land f \; g \; x = g \; x \\
\text{fix} & \quad \vdash \forall f \; r \\
& \quad \bullet \text{well_founded} \; r \land f \; \text{respects} \; r \Rightarrow f \; (\text{fix} \; f) = \text{fix} \; f \\
\text{relmap} & \quad \vdash \forall r \; f \bullet \text{relmap} \; r \; f = (\lambda x \; y \; z \bullet r \; y \; x \land z = f \; y)
\end{align*} \]
8.6 Theorems

**fixed_below_lemma1**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \ g \ y) \]
- \( \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ x \ \& \ \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \)
  \[ \Rightarrow \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ y \]

**fixed_at_lemma1**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \ g) \]
- \( \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ x \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall y \ \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow \text{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ g \)

**fixed_at_lemma2**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \ g) \]
- \( \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ x \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall y \ \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ g \)

**fixed_below_lemma2**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \ g \ h) \]
- \( \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ x \ \& \ \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ h \ x \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall z \ \text{tc} \ r \ z \ x \Rightarrow h \ z = g \ z) \]

**fixed_at_lemma4**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \ g \ h) \]
- \( \text{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ g \ x \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall y \ \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow \text{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ g \)

**fixed_at_lemma5**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \ g \ h \ x) \]
- \( \text{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ g \ x \ \& \ \text{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ h \ x \)
  \[ \Rightarrow g \ x = h \ x \]

**fixed_below_lemma3**
\[ \vdash \forall f \ r \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\forall x) \]
- (\( \forall y \ \text{tc} \ r \ y \ x \Rightarrow (\exists g \ \text{fixed_at} \ f \ r \ g \ y) \)
  \[ \Rightarrow (\exists g \ \text{fixed_below} \ f \ r \ g \ x) \]

**fixed_below_lemma4**
\[ \vdash \forall r \ f \]
- well-founded \( r \) \& \( f \) respects \( r \)
\[ \Rightarrow (\forall x \cdot \exists g \cdot \text{fixed}_\text{below} f r g x) \]

**fixed_at_lemma6**

\[ \vdash \forall f r \]
\[ \quad \bullet \text{well}_\text{founded} r \land f \text{ respects} r \]
\[ \quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \cdot \exists g \cdot \text{fixed}_\text{at} f r g x) \]

**fixed_lemma1**

\[ \vdash \forall f r \]
\[ \quad \bullet \text{well}_\text{founded} r \land f \text{ respects} r \]
\[ \quad \Rightarrow (\forall x \cdot \text{fixed}_\text{at} f r (\lambda x \cdot (\epsilon h \cdot \text{fixed}_\text{at} f r h x) x)) \]

**fixp_thm1**

\[ \vdash \forall f r \cdot \text{well}_\text{founded} r \land f \text{ respects} r \Rightarrow (\exists g \cdot f g = g) \]

**relmap_respect_thm**

\[ \vdash \forall r g \cdot (\lambda f \cdot g \circ \text{relmap} r f) \text{ respects} r \]
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