

# Training Data Extraction for Identifying Useful Lemmas

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## Lemmas to Aid Proof Search

- Lemmas can make the proof shorter
- Lemmas can make selecting the next inference harder
- Ideally, we would like to identify just a few relevant lemmas
- Similar to premise selection, but we assume no given premise set
  1. Generate
  2. Filter
  3. Apply

## Lemma Generation via Structure Enumeration

- Focus on the structural representation of proofs (tree, DAG etc.)
- Enumerate proof structures
- Avoid duplicates due to different derivations
- Use some proof structure measure to limit the enumeration (tree size, tree height etc.)
- Different measures result in very different lemma sets

- Use a trained neural model to filter candidate lemmas
- Model Interface
  - Input: Problem (Conjecture + Axioms), Lemma
  - Output: Utility score  $u \in [0, 1]$
- Input Features
  - Expert engineered features (e.g. tree size, compacted tree size)
  - Graph neural network processing formulas and proof terms directly
- Utility score
  - Inference step reduction when lemma is added
  - Whether lemma is present in the proof found
  - ...

## Lemma Application

- Can be added as axioms
  - Suitable for any prover, regardless of the calculus
  - If a full proof is needed, the lemma proofs need to be inserted into the prover's result
- Can have a special treatment
  - Lemmas as macros: replace with proof term
  - Replace inner lemma search/enumeration with accessing input lemmas

## Iterative Improvement

- Start from a set of problems
- Search from proofs
- Learn from proof attempts
- Fit a model
- Start search again, using the learned model



## Improving other Provers

- Lemma generation and selection produces “promising” lemmas
- Can be used by any other prover, regardless of the calculus
- Cannot be iterated

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## Learning from Successful Proof Attempts

- Utility measure calculation requires a prover that can produce a proof tree structure
- Given a proof, any substructure can be considered as a lemma that we can learn from
- Lots of training signal from a single proof
- Different proofs of the same problem provide more signal, without (too much) inconsistency

## Learning from Failed Proof Attempts

- Any proof attempt constructs a sequence of incomplete proof structures
- Most of these have complete substructures
- These are proof terms of formulas proven as a byproduct of proof search
- We can use any such substructures as a proof to learn from
- Similar to Hindsight Experience Replay [Andrychowicz et al., 2017]
  - Pretend that we wanted to prove what we accidentally proved
- Provides huge amounts of training data from failed proofs

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# Condensed Detachment (CD) – Background: Substitution and Detachment

- Investigation of axiomatizations of propositional calculi with **substitution and detachment** (modus ponens)
- Jan Łukasiewicz (1878 Lviv – 1956 Dublin)
- For example: Łukasiewicz  $\vdash$  *Simp, Peirce, Syll*, where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Łukasiewicz} &= CCCpqrCCrpCsp \\ &\quad \forall pqr s P(((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((r \rightarrow p) \rightarrow (s \rightarrow p))) \\ &\quad P(i(i(i(x, y), z), i(i(z, x), i(u, x)))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Simp} &= CpCqp \\ &\quad \forall pq P(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)) \\ &\quad P(i(x, i(y, x))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Peirce} &= CCCpqqp \\ &\quad \forall pq P(((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p) \\ &\quad P(i(i(i(x, y), x), x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Syll} &= CCpqCCqrCpr \\ &\quad \forall pq r P((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r))) \\ &\quad P(i(i(x, y), i(i(y, z), i(x, z)))) \end{aligned}$$

## THE SHORTEST AXIOM OF THE IMPLICATIONAL CALCULUS OF PROPOSITIONS.

By JAN ŁUKASIEWICZ.

[Read 23 JUNE, 1947. Published 6 APRIL, 1948.]

- 1  $CCCpqrCCrpCsp.$   
 $1 p/Cp q, q/r, r/CCrpCsp, s/r + C1 - 2.$
- 2  $CCC CrpCspCp qCrCp q.$   
 $1 p/CCrpCsp, q/Cp q, r/CCrpCsp, s/t + C2 - 3.$
- 3  $CCCrCp qCrCpCspCtCCrpCsp.$   
 $3 r/Cp q, t/1 + C1 r/Cp q - C1 - 4.$
- 4  $CCCpqpCsp.$   
 $1 p/Cp q, q/p, r/Csp, s/r + C4 - 5.$
- 5  $CCCs pCp qCrCp q.$   
 $1 p/Csp, q/Cp q, r/CCrpCsp, s/t + C5 - 6.$
- 6  $CCCrCp qCspCtCsp.$   
 $1 p/CCrpCsp, q/Csp, r/CtCsp, s/u + C6 - 7.$
- 7  $CCCrCspCrCp qCuCrCp q.$   
 $7 t/Cp q, p/q, r/CCsqp, q/p, u/1 + C1 r/Csq,$   
 $s/q - C1 - 8.$
- 8  $CCCsqqpCqp.$   
 $8 s/Cp q, q/r, p/CCrpCsp + C1 - 9.$
- 9  $CrCCrpCsp.$   
 $1 p/r, r/CCCrqpCsp, s/t + C9 r/CCrp q - 10.$
- 10  $CCCCrqpCsp rCt r.$   
 $1 p/CCCCrqpCsp, q/r, r/Ct r, s/u + C10 - 11.$

- 27  $CpCqp.$   
 $25 q/p, r/q + C22 - 28.$
- 28  $CC Cpqp.$   
 $21 p/Cp q, r/CCqrCpr, q/CCpqrq + C26 -$   
 $C21 - 29.$
- 29  $CCp qCCqrCpr.$

## Condensed Detachment (CD)

- Carew Arthur Meredith (1904 Dublin – 1976 Dublin)
- Condensed detachment (mid 1950s)
  - **Unification**
  - **Proof terms** (D-terms, full binary trees)

$$\frac{d_1 : P(x \rightarrow y) \quad d_2 : P(x')}{D(d_1, d_2) : P(y)mgu(x, x')}$$

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$$1 : P(t)_{fresh-copy} \quad \text{for the axiom } P(t)$$

- A D-term may have (wrt given axioms) a unique **most general theorem (MGT)**, the formula proven at its root
  - Not all D-terms may have an MGT (unification may fail)
  - Different D-terms may have subsuming MGTs

### NOTES ON THE AXIOMATICS OF THE PROPOSITIONAL CALCULUS

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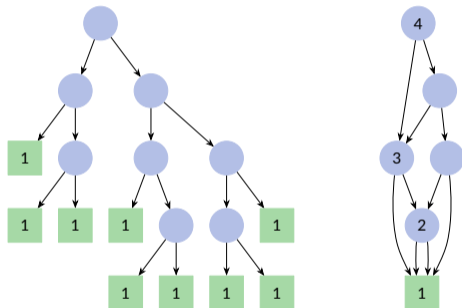
In this paper the proofs, unless otherwise stated, are Meredith's, and the bracketed notes introducing each item or commenting on it, Prior's. The proofs are all compressed by Meredith's device of writing 'Dmn' for the most general result (i.e. without any unnecessary identification of variables) of detaching the formula n, or some substitution in it, from the formula m, or some substitution in it.

1. Łukasiewicz's *Deduction Shortened*. (This is a very slight abridgement of Łukasiewicz's proof that  $CCCpqrCCrCsp$  suffices for classical C. It seems worth including, as Łukasiewicz's own paper [5] is now out of print and not easily obtainable.)

1.  $CCCpqrCCrCsp$
2.  $CCCpqbCrp = DDD1D111n$
3.  $CCCpqrCqr = DDD1D1D121n$
4.  $CpCCpCq = D31$
5.  $CCCpqCrsCCCqtsCrs = DDD1D1D1D141n$
6.  $CCCpqCrsCCpsCrs = D51$
7.  $CCpCqrCCpsrCqr = D64$
8.  $CCCCpqrCspCCrCsp = D71$
9.  $CCpqCpq = D83$
10.  $CCCCrpbCtpCCCpqrsCuCCCpqrs = D18$
11.  $CCCCpqrCsqCCCqtsCpq = DD10.10.n$
12.  $CCCCpqrCsqCCCqtpCsq = D5.11$
13.  $CCCCpqrsCCsqCpq = D12.6$
14.  $CCCpqrCCrpb = D12.9$
15.  $CpCCpqq = D3.14$
16.  $CCpqCCCprqq = D6.15$
- \*17.  $CCpqCCqrCpr = DD.13D.16.16.13$
- \*18.  $CCCpqqp = D14.9$
- \*19.  $CpCqb = D33$

## Useful Size Measures for Proof Structures (D-Terms, Full Binary Trees)

- **Tree size:** 8
- **Height:** 4
- **Compacted size:** 5 – size of minimal DAG; number of distinct compound subterms



### Term representation

$D(D(1, D(1, 1)), D(1, D(D(1, 1))), D(D(1, 1), 1))$

### Term representation by factor equations

$$2 = D(1, 1)$$

$$3 = D(1, 2)$$

$$4 = D(3, D(3, D(2, 1)))$$

$n$		0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Tree size	OEIS:A000108	1	1	2	5	14	42	132
Height	OEIS:A001699	1	1	3	21	651	457,653	210,065,930,571
Compacted size	OEIS:A254789	1	1	3	15	111	1,119	14,487



## Proof Terms, Formulas and Levels: An Overall Picture

T	Level			F	:	Proof	:	Formula
	H	C						
0	0	0		6	:	1	:	$CCCpqrCCrpCsp$
1	1	1		8	:	D11	:	$CCCCpqCrqCqsCtCqs$
2	2	2		11	:	D1D11	:	$CCCPqCrCCsqCtqCuCCsqCtq$
3	3	3		11	:	D1D1D11	:	$CCCPCCqrCsrCtCruCvCtCru$
3	2	2		8	:	DD11D11	:	$CpCCqrCrCqr$
3	3	3		11	:	DD1D111	:	$CpCCCqrqCsq$
4	4	4		14	:	D1D1D1D11	:	$CCCPcQcRscCtCCurCvrCwCtCCurCvr$
4	3	3		8	:	D1DD11D11	:	$CCCCpqCqCpqrCsr$
4	4	4		11	:	D1DD1D111	:	$CCCCCpqpCrpsCts$
4	3	3		11	:	DD11D1D11	:	$CpCCqCCrCqCq$
4	3	3		11	:	DD1D11D11	:	$CpCCqrCrr$
4	4	4		11	:	DD1D1D111	:	$CpCCCCqrCsrtCrt$
4	3	3		8	:	DDD11D111	:	$CCpqCqCpq$
4	4	4		11	:	DDD1D1111	:	$CCCPqpCrp$
5	5	5		14	:	D1D1D1D1D11	:	$CCCPcQcCCrsCtsCuCvCswCxCuCvCsw$
5	4	4		12	:	D1D1DD11D11	:	$CCCPqCCrsCsCrsCtCCrsCsCrs$
5	5	5		12	:	D1D1DD1D111	:	$CCCPqCCCrSrCtrCuCCCrSrCtr$
5	4	4		11	:	D1DD11D1D11	:	$CCCCppCCqpCpPrCsr$
5	4	4		11	:	D1DD1D11D11	:	$CCCCpqCqqrCsr$
5	5	5		11	:	D1DD1D1D111	:	$CCCCCpqCrqsCqstCut$
5	4	4		8	:	D1DDD11D111	:	$CCCPcQpqCrq$
5	5	5		11	:	D1DDD1D1111	:	$CCCPqCqrCsCqr$
5	3	3		8	:	DD11DD11D11	:	$CpCCqrCrCqr$
5	4	4		11	:	DD11DD1D111	:	$CpCCCqrqCsq$
					:		:	

- T Tree size of proof
- H Height of proof
- C Compacted size of proof
- F Max size of MGT of subproof

- CD problems as first-order ATP problems

**Detachment axiom**  $P(i(x, y)) \wedge P(x) \rightarrow P(y)$

Proper axioms          units                                  e.g.  $P(i(i(i(x, y), z), i(i(z, x), i(u, x))))$

Goal                                  negative ground unit          e.g.  $\neg P(i(a, i(b, a)))$

- Horn, first-order variables, binary function symbol, cyclic predicate dependency
- Generalization to arbitrary Horn problems is possible
- CD as inference rule can be translated to **hyperresolution with the detachment axiom**
  - The proving method then involves **unit lemmas** whose proof is a D-term
- Many ideas around OTTER were originally developed for CD problems (hints, hot list, resonance strategy)
  - JAR 2001 special issue on CD (vol 27, no 2)
  - Around 200 CD problems in *TPTP's* LCL domain, some still very hard
- CD was recently modeled with concepts from the connection method [CW and Bibel 2021]
  - **Proof structure + a global unifying substitution of connected formulas**
  - Allows to propagate a **ground goal** through unification
  - Proof search by **enumerating proof structures** interwoven with unification as in clausal tableaux
  - **Focus on proof structure as a whole**, in contrast to an inference rule
  - Unit lemmas correspond to re-use of subtrees; interplay of D-terms as **trees and their minimal DAGs**

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## Learning Requirements, Considered Provers

- Lemma generation requires proof structure enumeration (SGCD)
- We require provers that emit proofs as D-terms (SGCD, Prover9, CMProver, CCS)
- Any prover can be used for evaluation

	SGCD	Prover9	CMProver	leanCoP	CCS-Vanilla	Vampire	E
Goal-driven	●/—	—	●	●	●	○	○
CM-CT	○	—	●	●	—	—	—
Proof Structure Enumeration	●	—	●	○	●	—	—
Resolution / Superposition	—	●	—	—	—	●	●
<b>Output proof as D-term</b>	●	●	●	—	●	—	—
<b>Input lemmas that replace search</b>	●	—	—	—	●	—	—

- Comprehensive result table ([link](#))

- Any full D-Term, i.e., one whose leaves are axioms represents a unit lemma along with its proof
- When a proof is found, its full D-term contains lots of full subtrees, i.e., unit lemmas
- A failed proof attempt yields partial D-terms, but they likely still have full subtrees
- So far we mostly focused on unit lemmas

- Assume a Prolog predicate that **enumerates proof-MGT pairs for a given level**

```
enum_dterm_mgt_pairs(+Level, ?DTerm, ?Formula)
```

- Level characterizations can be e.g. tree size or height of the D-term
- Depending on the parameter instantiation the predicate serves different purposes

<code>+Dterm</code>	<code>+Formula</code>	verifying a proof
<code>+Dterm</code>	<code>-Formula</code>	computing the MGT
<code>-Dterm</code>	<code>+Formula</code>	proving a formula (goal-driven)
<code>-Dterm</code>	<code>-Formula</code>	generating lemmas (axiom-driven)

- Its implementation can access a *Cache* of solutions in lower levels
- SGCD embeds it in **nested loops of goal- and axiom-driven phases**
- The *Cache* can be **heuristically restricted on the basis of MGTs**

```
Cache := ∅;
for l := 0 to maxLevel do
  for m := l to l + preAddMaxLevel do
    enum_dterm_mgt_pairs(m, d, goal);
    throw proof_found(d)
  N := {{l, d, f} | enum_dterm_mgt_pairs(l, d, f)};
  if N = ∅ then throw exhausted;
  Cache := merge_news_into_cache(N, Cache)
```

## Some Experimental Results on 312 CD Problems

### Performance of different provers over 2 iterations of training a linear model

Time	SGCD				Prover9				CMProver				CCS-Vanilla			
	50s	100s	500s	30m	50s	100s	500s	30m	50s	100s	500s	30m	50s	100s	500s	30m
Base	266	275	285	285	240	252	259	262	82	85	94	103	81	88	99	105
Iter 1	280	282	284	281	250	254	262	257	83	93	105	121	96	101	117	130
Iter 2	281	283	281	283	247	247	267	265	79	98	95	126	96	97	120	128
Total	282	284	286	286	253	258	269	267	91	105	112	141	106	105	133	145

### Number of problems solved without and with additional lemmas using various time limits

Time	Vampire				E				Prover9				leanCoP			
	50s	100s	500s	30m	50s	100s	500s	30m	50s	100s	500s	30m	50s	100s	500s	30m
Base	221	224	252	263	253	264	275	281	236	244	257	260	70	71	77	77
Lemmas	249	257	274	283	256	266	275	275	246	250	261	269	100	103	111	113
Total	249	257	276	284	269	276	287	286	248	252	264	269	100	103	111	113

[Detailed Result Table \(Link\)](#)

## Problems solved by Vampire and SGCD as we alter the number of extracted lemmas (time limit 100s)

Lemma count	Vampire						SGCD					
	10	25	50	100	200	500	10	25	50	100	200	500
Base	227	227	227	227	227	227	275	275	275	275	275	275
Lemmas	226	242	246	258	257	258	278	285	284	281	283	284
Total	231	243	247	258	257	258	282	285	284	283	284	285



- Recall that SGCD enumerates and caches structures by “level”, e.g. tree size or height
- A principle **observed** in many steps of a proof by Łukasiewicz and a variation by Meredith [CW and Bibel 2021] can be turned into a further level characterization

Structures in **PSP-level**  $n + 1$  are the D-terms where

- one argument term is at PSP-level  $n$
- and the other argument is a subterm of that term

- Enumeration by PSP-level
  - is incomplete (some D-terms are omitted)
  - has features of DAG enumeration (D-terms in PSP-level  $n$  have compacted size  $n$ )
  - is suitable for SGCD’s simple caching
- Applications of enumeration by PSP-level
  - A proof of Łukasiewicz’s problem that is shorter than the original human proofs (and drastically shorter than known ATP proofs)
  - For many CD problems it leads to proofs with small compacted size
  - Very useful for input lemma generation for other provers
  - Key technique to solve a truly hard problem

- Proven in ATP only by Wos in 2000 with several invocations of OTTER
- Proven now with SGCD and replacing lemmas
  - 98,198 lemmas generated by SGCD for PSP-level, cache limit 5,000, termination by exhaustion (60 s)
  - Ordered heuristically according to 5 general features (190 s)
  - The best 2,900 are supplied as replacing input lemmas to SGCD
  - SGCD called for proving: axiom-driven by PSP-level, goal-driven by height (preAddMaxLevel=0), cache limit 1,500, general heuristic restrictions (20 s)
  - The structure of the proof reflects PSP-level plus one height step

	Here	Wos	Meredith
Compacted size	46	74	40
Tree size	3,276	9,207	6,172
Height	40	48	30
Double negation	●	—	●
Max size of MGT of subproof	19	18	18

## Conquering the Meredith Single Axiom \*

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**Abstract.** For more than three and one-half decades, beginning in the early 1960s,

TPTP Problem File: LCL073-1.p

[View Solutions - Solve Problem](#)

```

%-----
% File      : LCL073-1 : TPTP v8.1.2. Released v1.0.0.
% Domain   : Logic Calculi (Implication/Negation 2 valued sentential calculus)
% Problem  : CN-1 depends on the single Meredith axiom
% Version  : [McC92] axioms.
% English  : Axiomatizations of the Implication/Negation 2 valued sentential calculus are {CN-1,CN-2,CN-3} by Luo, {CN-18,CN-21,CN-35,CN-39,CN-39,CN-40,CN-46} by Luo, {CN-3,CN-18,CN-21,CN-22,CN-30,CN-54} by Hilbert, {CN-35,CN-49} by Church, {CN-19,CN-37,CN-59} by Wos, {CN-19,CN-37,CN-60} by Wos, and the single Meredith axiom. Show that CN-1 depends on the single Meredith axiom.
% Refs     : [MW92] McCune & Wos (1992), Experiments in Automated Reasoning, pp. 1-10.
%          : [McC92] McCune (1992), Email to G. Sutcliffe
% Source   : [McC92]
% Names    : CN-34 [MW92]
% Status   : Unknown
% Rating   : 1.00 v2.0.0
    
```

there exists a shorter single axiom for this area of logic remains a challenge. One that might be profitably studied with the methodology featured here is

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- **D-term with variables**

$$D(1, D(1, x))$$

- **D-term with combinators**

Obtained from a D-term with variables with standard techniques

$$\lambda x. D(1, D(1, x)) = D(D(\mathbf{B}, 1), 1)$$

(Recall that  $\mathbf{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda xyz. D(x, D(y, z))$ )

- **Horn clause**

Obtained from the D-term with variables like the MGT, but

each variable becomes a body atom, with the formula substitution of its position applied

Equivalently obtained by resolution from the Detachment clause and the proper axioms

For  $D(1, D(1, x))$  and axiom 1 :  $P(i(i(x, y), i(i(y, z), i(x, z))))$  we obtain

$$P(i(i(x, y), z), i(i(u, y), z)) \leftarrow P(i(x, u))$$

- Tree grammars with variables in nonterminals applied to proof structures
- Connection structures [Eder 1989] for Horn problems

## The Combinator View Maps the More Powerful Sharing to Shared Subtrees

- Recall that  $\mathbf{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda xyz. D(x, D(y, z))$  and  $\lambda x. D(1, D(1, x)) = D(D(\mathbf{B}, 1), 1)$

- Consider

$$D(D(D(\mathbf{B}, 1), 1), D(D(D(\mathbf{B}, 1), 1), 1))$$

- As list of factor equations it is

$$2 = D(D(\mathbf{B}, 1), 1)$$

$$3 = D(2, D(2, 1))$$

- It normalizes to the following plain D-term, which has no multiply occurring subterm

$$D(1, D(1, D(1, D(1, 1))))$$

- This is utilized in CCS for **proof search**

- Enumerated proof terms may involve combinators
- Enumeration is by increasing DAG size, to benefit from the compression through the combinators
- Can be operated goal-driven, i.e. with goal instantiation like SGCD and CM-CT provers
- Refinement: only allow structures built from specified proof structure templates whose semantics is given by D-terms with combinators (or D-terms with  $\lambda$ -bound variables)
- Structure templates can simulate resolution variants, optionally in goal-driven refinements

### Possibilities of Applying The Lemmas

- Converting to CCS proof structure templates
  - Variants of resolution with restrictions (e.g. by clause length)
  - Optionally goal-driven
- Adding as Horn input lemmas
  - For CM-CT provers: adding “a bit of resolution”
  - For resolution/superposition provers: adding specific resolvents

### Re-using Proofs to Generate Training Data

- Difficulty: **Translation of proofs to D-terms, or D-terms with combinators**, which represent plain D-terms in a standardized compressed form. This should work for binary resolution proofs of Horn problems

### Possibilities of Generating Training Data and Input Lemmas

- **Note: There is no unique “maximally compressed” structure like the minimal DAG**
- Enumerating lemmas up to a given size
- Selecting from a table of a few thousand lemmas detected previously
- Applying grammar-based tree compression: *TreeRePair* [Lohrey, Maneth, Mennicke 2013]

## More Powerful Lemmas: Estimated Effect in Practice

- Much can be done already with just unit lemmas, but there might be some problems where more powerful lemmas are necessary
- In our experiments with 312 problems 2 of 296 solved problems could be proven quickly with Vampire and E but not with any of the provers that yield D-terms
- Moderate success is suggested by experimental data on proof search with CCS for *TPTP* Horn problems and compression of given proofs for CD problems

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## Conclusion

- Lemmas are helpful to find a proof
- Generate, filter, apply lemmas
- Lemma generation brings a bit of resolution into non-resolution based provers
- Blurs the distinction between forward and backward reasoning

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## Considered Features

### Problem

goal : *FormulaTerm*  
axiom(*NatNum*) : *FormulaTerm*  
number\_of\_axioms : *NatNum*

### Proof

problem : *problem*  
source : *Term*  
meta\_info : *KeyValueList*  
dcterm : *DCTerm*  
d\_csize : *NatNum*  
d\_tsize : *NatNum*  
d\_height : *NatNum*

### Lemma

problem : *problem*  
lf\_proof : *proof*  
lf\_is\_in\_proof : *NatNum*  
formula : lemma(*Head,Body*)  
dcterm : *DCTerm*  
method : *Term*  
lf\_d\_csize : *NatNum*  
lf\_d\_tsize : *NatNum*  
lf\_d\_height : *NatNum*  
lf\_d\_grd\_csize : *NatNum*  
lf\_d\_major\_minor\_relation : *NatNum*

lf\_d\_number\_of\_terminals : *NatNum*  
lfp\_containing\_proof : *proof*  
lfp\_d\_occs : *NatNum*  
lfp\_d\_incoming : *NatNum*  
lfp\_d\_occs\_innermost\_matches : *NatNum*  
lfp\_d\_occs\_outermost\_matches : *NatNum*  
lfp\_d\_min\_goal\_dist : *NatNum* lf\_b\_length : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_distinct\_hb\_shared\_vars : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_distinct\_h\_only\_vars : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_distinct\_b\_only\_vars : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_singletons : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_double\_negation\_occs : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_nongoal\_symbol\_occs : *NatNum*  
lf\_h\_excluded\_goal\_subterms : *NatNum*  
lf\_h\_subterms\_not\_in\_goal : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_compression\_ratio\_raw\_deflate : *NormalizedValue*  
lf\_hb\_compression\_ratio\_treerepair : *NormalizedValue*  
lf\_hb\_compression\_ratio\_dag : *NormalizedValue*  
lf\_hb\_organic : *NatNum*  
lf\_hb\_name : *Atom*  
lf\_hb\_name\_status : *NatNum*  
lf\_COMP\_csize : *NatNum*  
lf\_COMP\_tsize : *NatNum*  
lf\_COMP\_height : *NatNum*  
lf\_COMP\_distinct\_vars : *NatNum*  
lf\_COMP\_ITEM\_occs : *NatNum*  
lf\_COMP\_occs\_of\_most\_frequent\_ITEM : *NatNum*

## Considered Utility Values

`u_tsize_reduction`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_height_reduction`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_csize_reduction`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_tsize_reduction_subst1`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_height_reduction_subst1`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_csize_reduction_subst1`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_tsize_reduction_subst2`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_height_reduction_subst2`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_csize_reduction_subst2`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_occs`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_incoming`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_close_to_goal_path`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_close_to_axioms_height`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_close_to_axioms_tsize`: *NormalizedValue*  
`u_reproof`: *Float*