# Induction, Induction, Induction!

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Inductive Definitions

Universes, Inductive-Recursive Definitions

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## **Proof Theoretic Programme**

- Hilbert's program.
  - Proof consistency of mathematical theories by finitary methods.
- ► Doesn't work because of Gödel's Incompleteness theorem.
- Gentzen: Reduction of consistency to well-foundedness of ordinal notation systems.
- ► For weaker theories gives some insight.
- Direct insight from impredicative ordinal notation systems limited.

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## **Proof Theoretic Programme**

► Instead: replace in Hilbert's program "finitary method" by

- "reduction to a theory with some insight into its consistency".
- ► Or by

"reduction to a theory which formulates the reason why we believe in its consistency".

- Different approaches possible.
- Most successful approach: constructive theories.
- Candidates could be
  - Frege structures,
  - Feferman's systems of explicit mathematics
  - Martin-Löf Type Theory.
- Most effort has been taken to develop Martin-Löf Type Theory for that purpose.

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# Development of Advanced Data Structures

- Needed: development of predicatively justified strong extensions of Martin-Löf Type Theory.
- Benefits outside this programme:
  - Discovery of advanced data structures for use in programming.
- Some examples are proof theoretically weak, and will be only of interest for programming.

## Data structures in Interactive Theorem Proving

- ► In normal mathematics we usually encode everything in set theory.
- One looses however the programming aspect.
- In interactive theorem proving it is useful to avoid equality rules by using reduction rules.
  - Requires again that elements of sets are programs which can be evaluated.
- Development of advanced data structures can benefit
  - interactive theorem proving,
  - programming (especially with dependent types).

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## Basics of Type Theory Needed

We have judgements:

- ► The latter expresses that A is a small type (= Set)
- We have the dependent function type:

$$(x:A) \rightarrow B$$

- Elements are functions f mapping a : A to f a : B[x := a].
- Example Matrix multiplication:

matmult : 
$$(n, m, k : \mathbb{N}) \to \mathbb{R}^{n, m} \to \mathbb{R}^{m, k} \to \mathbb{R}^{n, k}$$

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# Strictly Positive Inductive Definitions

Natural Numbers:

data  $\mathbb{N}$  : Set where  $0 : \mathbb{N}$  $S : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$ 

Least set closed under constructors.

Lists:

data List : Set where nil : List cons :  $\mathbb{N} \to \text{List} \to \text{List}$ 

► Use of inductive and non-inductive arguments.

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## More advanced Examples

Simultaneous inductive definitions, dependencies on non-inductive arguments:

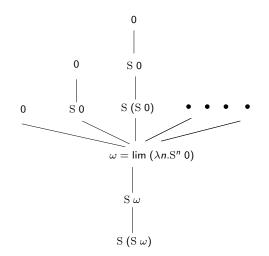
data Vector :  $\mathbb{N} \to \text{Set}$  where nil : Vector 0 cons :  $(n : \mathbb{N}) \to \mathbb{N} \to \text{Vector } n \to \text{Vector } (n+1)$ 

Inductive arguments indexed over sets:

data KleeneO : Set where 0 : KleeneO S : KleeneO  $\rightarrow$  KleeneO lim : ( $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow$  KleeneO)  $\rightarrow$  KleeneO

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# Relationship to First-order Inductive Definitions

First order Inductive Definitions:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{KleeneO} &=& \bigcap \{ X \subseteq \mathbb{N} \mid \Gamma(X) \subseteq X \} \\ \Gamma(X) &:=& \{ x \in \mathbb{N} \mid x = \langle 0, 0 \rangle \ \lor \ (\exists y \in X. \ x = \langle 1, y \rangle) \\ & \lor \exists e. \ x = \langle 2, e \rangle \ \land \ \forall n. \ \exists m \in X. \ \{e\}(n) \simeq m \} \end{array}$$

- Could be formulated directly in type theory.
- Above version easier for carrying out proofs.

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## Universes

- Universes = collection of sets.
- Formulated as

$$U: Set \quad T: U \to Set$$

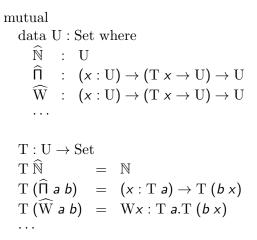
- U = set of codes for sets.
- ▶ T = decoding function.
- Example microscopic Universe:

 $U = \mathbb{B}$  $T tt = \top$  $T ff = \bot$ 

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# Proof-Theoretically Strong Example



Strength: One recursively inaccessible +  $\omega$  admissibles above,

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## Generalisation to Inductive-Recursive Definitions

- Inductive-Recursive Definitions originally defined by Dybjer, closed formalisation by Dybjer + AS.
- Definition of a type theory containing all standard inductive definitions, universes, and many generalisations.
- Generalise the principles.

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## Induction-Recursion

 $\blacktriangleright$  We have one set U:Set with constructors:

 $C: \underbrace{(a:A)}_{non-inductive argument}$  $\rightarrow \underbrace{(b:B \ a \rightarrow U)}_{inductive argument depending on a}$ 

$$\rightarrow (c: (x: D a) \times T (b (f x))))$$

non-inductive arguments depending on  $\mathit{a}$  and  $\mathrm{T} \circ \mathit{b}$ 

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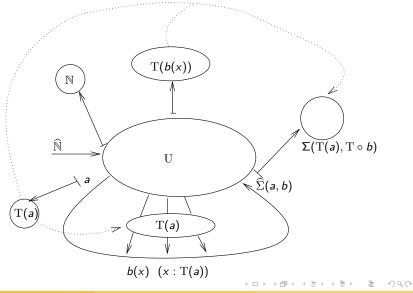
 $\blacktriangleright$  We have  $T:U \rightarrow Set$  with recursive equations for each constructor:

$$T (C a b c \cdots) = t[a, T \circ b, c, \ldots] : Set$$

- Generalisation to T u : D for some type D.
- Generalisation to indexed induction-recursion.

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# Universe



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# Inductive-Inductive Definitions

- Joint work with Fredrik Forsberg.
- ► Sometimes mixed up with Induction-Recursion.

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- $\blacktriangleright$  Instead of defining T recursively, define T inductively.
- Therefore when introducing a : U, we don't need an recursive equation

T 
$$a = \cdots$$

- $\blacktriangleright$  Instead we have inductive clauses for introducing elements of T a.
- $\blacktriangleright$  However, no negative occurrences of T in the type of U are allowed.
- Naming convention: Instead of U, T, we use

$$A: Set \qquad B: A \to Set$$

Inductive-Inductive Definitions

# Fredrik Nordvall Forsberg



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# **Original Example**

- Formulate Syntax of Type Theory inside Type Theory (Nils Danielsson)
- Define inductively simultaneously:
  - ► Context : Set.
    - $\Gamma$  :  $\widehat{\mathrm{Context}}$  represents the judgement

 $\Gamma \Rightarrow \mathrm{Context}$ 

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$$\widehat{\operatorname{Set}} : \widehat{\operatorname{Context}} \to \operatorname{Set}.$$

•  $A : \widehat{\operatorname{Set}} \Gamma$  represents the judgement

 $\Gamma \Rightarrow A: \mathrm{Set}$ 

- ►  $\widehat{\operatorname{Term}}$  : ( $\Gamma$  :  $\widehat{\operatorname{Context}}$ )  $\rightarrow$  (A :  $\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}$   $\Gamma$ )  $\rightarrow$  Set.
  - $r: \widetilde{\mathrm{Term}} \ \Gamma \ A$  represents the judgement

$$\Gamma \Rightarrow r : A$$

► And more components for dealing with equalities.

## Representation of Rules

Rule

 $\emptyset: \mathrm{Context}$ 

represented as

 $\widehat{\emptyset}$  :  $\widehat{\mathrm{Context}}$ 

Rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A : \text{Set}}{\Gamma, x : A \Rightarrow \text{Context}}$$

represented (variable-free)

$$\_\widehat{::}\_: (\Gamma:\widehat{\mathrm{Context}}) \to (A:\widehat{\mathrm{Set}}\; \Gamma) \to \widehat{\mathrm{Context}}$$

where we write  $\Gamma ::: A$  for  $\_::\_ \Gamma A$ .

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# Representation of Rules

Rule

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \Rightarrow B : \text{Set}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Sigma x : A.B : \text{Set}}$$

which in full reads

$$\frac{\Gamma: \text{Context} \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow A: \text{Set} \quad \Gamma, x: A \Rightarrow B: \text{Set}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Sigma x: A.B: \text{Set}}$$

is represented as

$$\widehat{\Sigma} : (\Gamma : \widehat{\text{Context}}) \rightarrow (A : \widehat{\text{Set}} \Gamma) \rightarrow (B : \widehat{\text{Set}} (\Gamma :: A)) \rightarrow \widehat{\text{Set}} \Gamma$$

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# Observation

## We define simultaneously

- Context : Set inductively,
- $\widehat{\operatorname{Set}} : \widehat{\operatorname{Context}} \to \operatorname{Set}$  inductively,
- $\widehat{\operatorname{Term}}$  :  $(\Gamma : \widehat{\operatorname{Context}}) \to \widehat{\operatorname{Set}} \ \Gamma \to \operatorname{Set}$  inductively.
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- Here restriction to only 2 levels, we define
  - A : Set
  - ▶  $B : A \to Set$

inductive-inductively.

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## Observation

#### ► In

- $\blacktriangleright A: Set$
- $\blacktriangleright \ B: A \to \mathrm{Set}$

the constructor of  $B \times might$  refer to the constructor of A.

► For instance in

$$\widehat{\Sigma} : (\Gamma : \widehat{\text{Context}}) \rightarrow (A : \widehat{\text{Set}} \Gamma) \rightarrow (B : \widehat{\text{Set}} (\Gamma :: A)) \rightarrow \widehat{\text{Set}} \Gamma$$

the second argument refers to the constructor  $\_::\_$  for  $\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}$ .

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# Example: Ordinal Notation System

- Typical definition:
  - $\blacktriangleright$  The set of pre ordinals T is defined inductively by:
    - If  $a_1, \ldots, a_k \in T$  and  $n_1, \ldots, n_k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$  then

$$\omega^{a_1}n_1 + \cdots + \omega^{a_k}n_k \in \mathcal{T}$$

 $\blacktriangleright$  We define  $\prec$  on T recursively by

$$\omega^{a_1}n_1+\cdots+\omega^{a_k}n_k\prec\omega^{b_1}m_1+\cdots+\omega^{b_l}m_l$$

iff

$$(a_1, n_1, \ldots, a_k, n_k) \prec_{\text{lex}} (b_1, m_1, \ldots, b_l, m_l)$$

- We define  $OT \subseteq T$  inductively:
  - ▶ If  $a_1, \ldots, a_k \in \text{OT}$  and  $a_k \prec \cdots \prec a_1$  and  $n_1, \ldots, n_k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$  then

$$\omega^{a_1} n_1 + \cdots + \omega^{a_k} n_k \in \mathrm{OT}$$

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# Definition of OT Inductive-Inductively

▶ Define OT : Set and  $\prec: OT \to OT \to Set$  inductive-inductively:

▶ If  $a_1, \ldots, a_k \in \text{OT}$  and  $a_k \prec \cdots \prec a_1$  and  $n_1, \ldots, n_k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$  then

$$\omega^{a_1}n_1 + \cdots + \omega^{a_k}n_k \in \mathrm{OT}$$

► If

$$\omega^{a_1} n_1 + \dots + \omega^{a_k} n_k$$
$$\omega^{b_1} m_1 + \dots + \omega^{b_l} m_l \in \text{OT}$$

and

$$(a_1, n_1, \ldots, a_k, n_k) \prec_{\text{lex}} (b_1, m_1, \ldots, b_l, m_l)$$

then

$$\omega^{a_1}n_1+\cdots+\omega^{a_k}n_k\prec\omega^{b_1}m_1+\cdots+\omega^{b_l}m_l$$

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# Conway's Surreal Numbers

- Like Dedekind cuts, but replacing rationals by previously defined surreal numbers.
- ► So no need to define first natural numbers, integers, rational numbers.
- Surreal numbers contain all ordered fields.
- Definition in set theory.
- ► Definition of the class of surreal numbers Surreal together with an ordering ≤:
  - If  $X_L, X_R \in \mathcal{P}(Surreal)$  such that

$$\forall x_L \in X_L. \ \forall x_R \in X_R. \ x_R \not\leq x_L$$

then  $(X_L, X_R) \in \text{Surreal}$  $\blacktriangleright X = (X_L, X_R) \le (Y_L, Y_R) = Y$  iff

- ►  $\forall x_L \in X_L. Y \leq x_L$
- ►  $\forall y_R \in Y_R. y_R \not\leq X$

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# Surreal Numbers as an Inductive-Inductive Definition

Define simultaneously inductively

- $\mathcal{P}(\text{Surreal})$  replaced by  $\Sigma a : U.T \ a \to \text{Surreal}$  for some universe U.
- We refer to this and  $x \in X_L$  informally.

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# Inductive-Inductive Definition of Surreal

• If  $X_L, X_R \in \mathcal{P}(Surreal)$ , and

$$p: \forall x_L \in X_L. \ \forall x_R \in X_R. \ x_R \not\leq x_L$$

then  $(X_L, X_R)_p$  : Surreal.

► Assume  $X = (X_L, X_R)_p$ ,  $Y = (Y_L, Y_R)_q$ : Surreal. Assume

$$\forall x_L \in X_L. \ Y \nleq x_L \forall y_R \in Y_R. \ y_R \nleq X$$

then  $X \leq Y$ .

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# Inductive-Inductive Definition of Surreal

then  $X \not\leq Y$ .

# Inductive-Inductive Definitions in Mathematics

- Inductive-inductive definitions seem to be very frequent in mathematics.
- Usually reduced to inductive definitions by
  - ► first defining simultaneously inductively *Apre* : Set, *Bpre* : Set by ignoring dependencies of *B* on *A*.
  - ► then selecting A ⊆ Apre, B ⊆ Bpre by selecting those elements which fulfil the correct rules.
- Seems to be a general method of reducing inductive-inductive definitions to inductive definitions (work in progress).

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#### Motivation

- Inductive Definitions
- Universes, Inductive-Recursive Definitions
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## Steps Towards Mahlo

- First step beyond standard universe
  - The super universe (Palmgren).
  - He introduced a universe <u>V</u>,
  - ▶ together with a universe operator  $U : Fam(V) \to V$ ,
    - Fam(V) is the set of families of sets in V indexed over elements of V, roughly speaking

 $\{(B_x)_{x:B}|B: \mathcal{V}, x: B \Rightarrow B_x: \mathcal{V}\}$ 

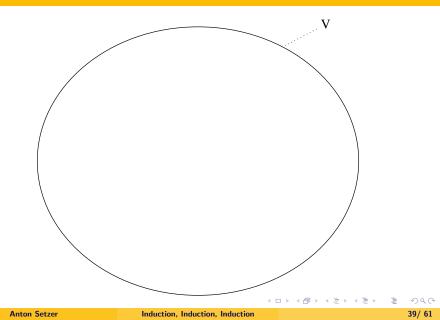
► s.t. for any family of sets A in V, U(A) is a universe containing all elements of A.

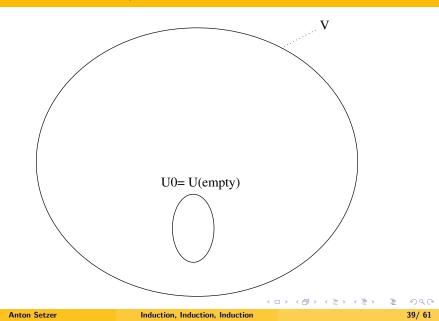
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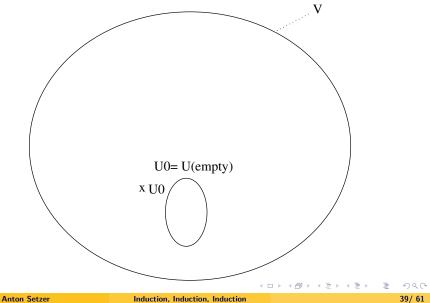
## Steps Towards Mahlo

- A Universe is a family of sets closed under constructions for forming sets.
- ► We can now form a universe, closed under the formation of the next universe above a family of sets.
- (The next slide doesn't exhaust the strength, it shows only universes containing one set, not universes containing family of sets)

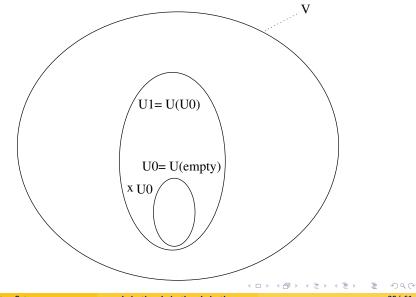
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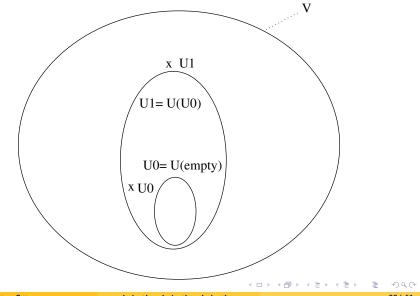


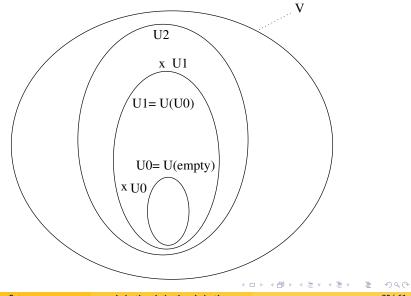
## Illustration of the Super Universe

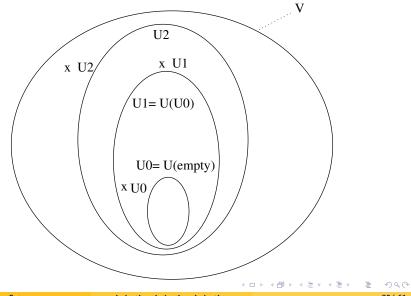


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## Super<sup>n</sup>-Universes

- The above can be continued: We can form a
  - ► super<sup>2</sup>-universe V,
  - closed under a super-universe operator, forming a super universe above a family of sets in V.
- ► And we can iterate the above *n*-many times, and even go beyond.
- Up to now everything was inductive-recursive

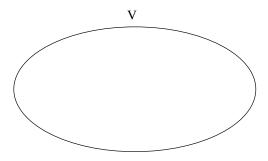
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## Mahlo Universe

- The Mahlo universe is
  - ▶ a universe ¥,
  - which has not only subuniverses corresponding to some operators, but subuniverses corresponding to all operators it is closed under:
  - $\blacktriangleright$  for every universe operator on  $V\mbox{,}$ 
    - i.e. every  $f : Fam(V) \to Fam(V)$ ,
  - there exists a universe  $U_f$  closed under f.

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## Illustration of the Mahlo Universe



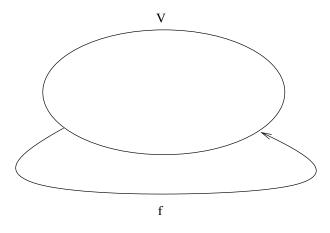
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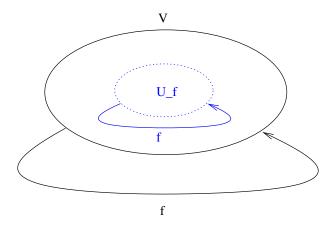
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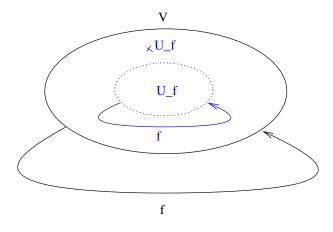
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## Formulation of Mahlo Universe

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data V : Set where  

$$\widehat{\Pi} : (x : V) \rightarrow (T_V x \rightarrow V) \rightarrow V$$
...  

$$\widehat{U} : (f : (x : V) \rightarrow (T_V x \rightarrow V) \rightarrow V)$$

$$\rightarrow (g : (x : V) \rightarrow (T_V x \rightarrow V) \rightarrow (T_V (f x y) \rightarrow V) \rightarrow V)$$

$$\rightarrow V$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}}:\mathrm{V}\to\mathrm{Set}\\ \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}}\left(\widehat{\Pi}\ a\ b\right) &=& (x:\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}}\ a)\to\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}}\left(b\ x\right)\\ \cdots\\ \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}}\left(\widehat{\mathrm{U}}\ f\ g\right) &=& \mathrm{U}\ f\ g\end{array}$$

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## Mahlo Universe in Agda

data U 
$$(f : (x : V) \rightarrow (T_V x \rightarrow V) \rightarrow V)$$
  
 $(g : (x : V) \rightarrow (T_V x \rightarrow V) \rightarrow (T_V (f x y) \rightarrow V) \rightarrow V)$   
 $:$  Set where  
 $\widehat{\Pi} : (x : U_{f,g}) \rightarrow (T_{f,g} x \rightarrow U_{f,g}) \rightarrow U_{f,g}$   
 $\cdots$   
 $\widehat{f} : (x : U_{f,g}) \rightarrow (T_{f,g} x \rightarrow U_{f,g}) \rightarrow U_{f,g}$   
 $\widehat{g} : (x : U_{f,g})$   
 $\rightarrow (y : T_{f,g} x \rightarrow U_{f,g})$   
 $\rightarrow T_V (f (\widehat{T}_{f,g} x) (\widehat{T}_{f,g} \circ y))$   
 $\rightarrow U_{f,g}$ 

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## Mahlo Universe in Agda

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\mathrm{T}} & (f:(x:V) \to (\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}} \, x \to \mathrm{V}) \to \mathrm{V}) \\ & (g:(x:V) \to (\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}} \, x \to \mathrm{V}) \to (\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{V}} \, (f \, x \, y) \to \mathrm{V}) \to \mathrm{V}) \\ & : \mathrm{U}_{f,g} \to \mathrm{V} \\ \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} & (\widehat{\Pi} \, a \, b) &= \widehat{\Pi} \left( \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \, a \right) \left( \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \circ b \right) \\ & \cdots \\ & \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \left( \widehat{\mathrm{f}} \, a \, b \right) &= f \left( \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \, a \right) \left( \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \circ b \right) \\ & \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \left( \widehat{\mathrm{g}} \, a \, b \, c \right) &= g \left( \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \, a \right) \left( \widehat{\mathrm{T}}_{f,g} \circ b \right) c \end{split}$$

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## Problems of Mahlo Universe

- This section is joint work with R. Kahle.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Elements of V are constructed, depending on total functions

 $f: \operatorname{Fam}(V) \to \operatorname{Fam}(V)$ 

- ► However, for defining U<sub>f</sub>, only the restriction of f to Fam(U<sub>f</sub>) is needed to be total.
- ▶ Problem: In Martin-Löf Type Theory all functions are total.
- ► In Feferman's explicit mathematics possible.
- ► We will use syntax borrowed from type theory,
  - but  $a \in B$  instead of a : B.

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## Extended Predicative Mahlo (in Explicit. Mathematics)

- $\blacktriangleright$  Explicit mathematics more Russell-style, therefore we can have  $V\in Set,\,V\subset Set.$
- ► We can encode Fam(V) into V, therefore need only to consider functions f : V → V.
- Define V to be closed under universe constructions for explicit mathematics.
- Define for  $f, X \in Set, X \subseteq Set$

$$\operatorname{Pre} f X \in \operatorname{Set} \qquad \operatorname{Pre} f X \subseteq X$$

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## Closure of Pre f X

- Pre f X is closed under universe constructions, if result is in X.
- Closure under join (similar introduction rule as Π):

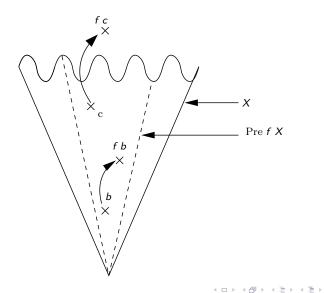
 $\forall a \in \operatorname{Pre} f X. \forall b \in a \rightarrow \operatorname{Pre} f X. j a b \in X \rightarrow j a b \in \operatorname{Pre} f X$ 

▶ Pre *f* X is closed under *f*, if result is in X:

 $\forall a \in \operatorname{Pre} f X. f a \in X \to f a \in \operatorname{Pre} f X$ 

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## Independence of Pre f X

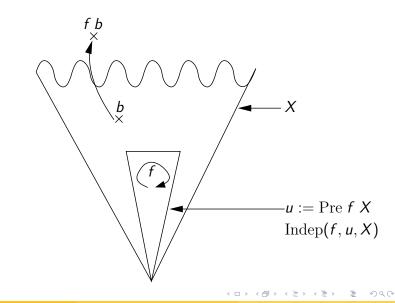
► If, whenever a universe construction or f is applied to elements of Pre f X we get elements in X, then Pre f X is independent of future extensions of X.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Indep}(f, \mathrm{Pre}\;f\;X,X) &:= (\forall a \in \mathrm{Pre}\;f\;X.\;\forall b \in a \to \mathrm{Pre}\;f\;X.\;j\;a\;b \in X) \\ \wedge &\cdots \\ \wedge \;\forall a \in \mathrm{Pre}\;f\;X.\;f\;a \in X \end{aligned}$$

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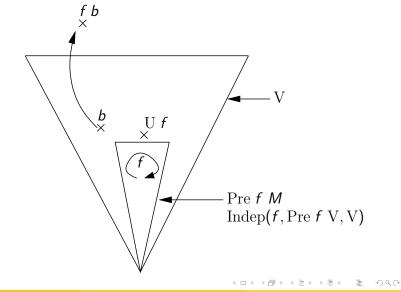
## Introduction Rule for ${\rm V}$

# ► $\forall f. \operatorname{Indep}(f, \operatorname{Pre} f \operatorname{V}, \operatorname{V}) \rightarrow (\operatorname{U} f \in \operatorname{Set} \land \operatorname{U} f =_{\operatorname{ext}} \operatorname{Pre} f \operatorname{V} \land \operatorname{U} f \in \operatorname{V})$ .

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## Introduction Rule for ${\rm V}$



## Interpretation of Axiomatic Mahlo

One can show:

$$\forall f \in \mathbf{V} \to \mathbf{V}. \text{ Indep}(f, \text{Pre } f \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{V})$$

#### therefore

$$\forall f \in \mathbf{V} \to \mathbf{V}. \ \mathbf{U} \ f \in \mathbf{V} \ \land \ \mathbf{Univ}(f) \ \land \ f \in \mathbf{U} \ f \to \mathbf{U} \ f$$

- ► So V closed under axiomatic Mahlo constructions.
- Therefore extended predicative Mahlo has at least strength of axiomatic Mahlo.

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#### Coalgebras

## Coalgebras

- Restriction to the simplest non-indexed case.
- Algebras are functions

$$f: F A \rightarrow A$$

Simplest example Lists:

$$[\operatorname{nil}, \operatorname{cons}] : (\{*\} + A \times \operatorname{List} A) \to \operatorname{List} A$$

Coalgebras are functions

$$f: A \to F A$$

• Colists are sets coList A : Set together with

$$\operatorname{case}:\operatorname{coList} A \to (\{*\} + A \times \operatorname{List} A)$$

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## Misconception

Often people think colists consist of

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\cos a_1 (\cos a_2 \cdots (\cos a_n \operatorname{nil}) \cdots)
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or infinite streams

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\cos a_1 (\cos a_2 \cdots)
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- In our setting colists are not infinite, but can be unfolded potentially infinitely many.
- Example: the increasing colist is given by

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inc : \mathbb{N} \to \text{coList}
case (inc n) = inr \langle n, \text{inc} (n+1) \rangle
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## Theory of Coalgebras

- ► Can be developed for indexed coalgebras with dependencies.
- Extensions to induction-recursion don't make sense yet.
- In type theory
  - ► Algebras are determined by their introduction rules, the elimination rules are "derived".
  - Coalgebras are determined by their elimination rules, the introduction rules are "derived".

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## Conclusion

- Examples of extensions/variants of inductive Definitions:
  - universes,
  - inductive-recursive definitions,
  - inductive-inductive definitions,
  - Mahlo universe,
  - extended predicative Mahlo universe,
  - coalgebras.

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- Extensions allow to define data structures as first class citizens (no encoding).
  - useful in interactive theorem proving.
- Useful as well as data structures in programming.
- Not necessarily limited to the context of type theory/explicit mathematics.
  - Could allow to more easily understand constructions in mathematics (e.g. Conway's surreal numbers).

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