

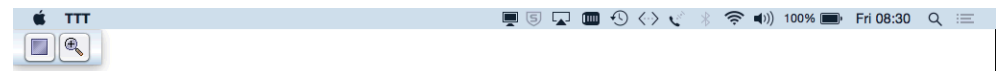
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Chapter 5

Isar: A Language for Structured Proofs

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- unreadable
- hard to maintain



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But: **apply** still useful for proof exploration



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Cantor and abbreviations

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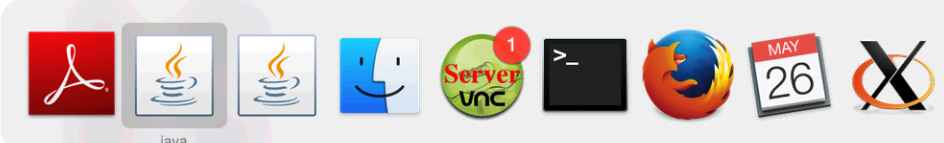
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using and with

```

(have|show) prop using facts
=
from facts (have|show) prop

```

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Structured lemma statement

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Proves $\text{surj } f \implies \text{False}$

but $\text{surj } f$ becomes local fact s in proof.

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using and with

(**have|show**) prop **using** facts

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The essence of structured proofs

Assumptions and intermediate facts
can be named and referred to explicitly and selectively



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Case distinction

```

show  $R$ 
proof cases
  assume  $P$ 
   $\vdots$ 
  show  $R \dots$ 
next
  assume  $\neg P$ 
   $\vdots$ 
  show  $R \dots$ 
qed

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have  $P \vee Q \dots$ 
then show  $R$ 
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Contradiction

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show  $P$ 
proof (rule ccontr)
  assume  $\neg P$ 
   $\vdots$ 
  show False ...
qed

```

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```

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   $\vdots$ 
  show  $P$  ...
qed

```

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qed

```

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\forall and \exists introduction

show $\forall x. P(x)$

proof

fix x local fixed variable

show $P(x)$...

qed

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show $P(x)$...

qed

show $\exists x. P(x)$

proof

\vdots

show $P(\text{witness})$...

qed

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show $P \longleftrightarrow Q$

proof

assume P

\vdots

show Q ...

next

assume Q

\vdots

show P ...

qed

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Structured lemma statements

fixes $x :: \tau_1$ **and** $y :: \tau_2$...

assumes $a: P$ **and** $b: Q$...

shows R

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\exists elimination: **obtain**

have $\exists x. P(x)$
then obtain x **where** $p: P(x)$ **by** *blast*
 \vdots x fixed local variable

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obtain example

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hence $a \notin f a \longleftrightarrow a \in f a$ **by** *blast*

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obtain example

```

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  assume surj f
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  then obtain a where {x. x ∉ f x} = f a by blast
  hence a ∉ f a ↔ a ∈ f a by blast
  thus False by blast
qed

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Set equality and subset

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show A = B
proof
  show A ⊆ B ...
next
  show B ⊆ A ...
qed

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show A ⊆ B
proof
  fix x
  assume x ∈ A
  ⋮
  show x ∈ B ...
qed

```

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Exercise



\exists elimination: **obtain**



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have $\exists x. P(x)$
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 \vdots x fixed local variable

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\forall and \exists introduction

$\vdots P(x)$

local fixed variable
 $\lambda(x) \dots$

$\vdots P(x)$

$\lambda(witness) \dots$

```

then obta
hence "a
thus "Fal
qed

text{* Inte

lemma assum
proof
  fix b
  show "∃x.
qed

sorry
  
```

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id \exists introduction

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..

```

thus "False" by blast
qed

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lemma assumes "∃x. ∀y. P x y"
proof
  fix b
  from assms obtain a with
  show "∃x. P x b"
proof
  show "P b b"
qed
qed
sorry

```

Output Query Sledgehammer State Symbols

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Chains of equations

Textbook proof

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Chains of equations and inequations

Instead of $=$ you may also use \leq and $<$.

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Example

```
have "t1 < t2" <proof>  
also have "... = t3" <proof>  
⋮  
also have "... ≤ tn" <proof>  
finally show "t1 < tn" .
```

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Example & Exercise

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Example & Exercise

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Example: pattern matching

show $formula_1 \longleftrightarrow formula_2$ (**is** $?L \longleftrightarrow ?R$)

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qed

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proof

assume $?L$

\vdots

show $?R$...

next

assume $?R$

\vdots

show $?L$...

qed

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?thesis

show $formula$

proof -

\vdots

show *?thesis* ...

qed

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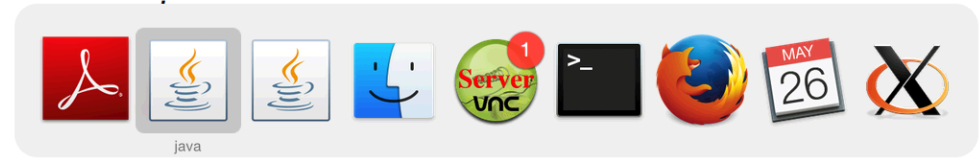
?thesis

show formula (is ?thesis)
 proof -
 :
 show ?thesis ...
 qed



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