

absorption

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The *absorption* command performs simplifications that typically remove parts of formulae or at least make them smaller. There are two categories of absorptions: elementary ones that are built-in to cadiz, and ones that are coded explicitly as Z rewrite rules. An example of the latter is as follows.

union_absorption ==

$$[X] \vdash? \forall S : \mathbb{P} X \bullet S \cup = S$$

The form of a rewrite rule must be as specified in [rewrite by rule](#), and moreover its name must have *absorption* as a sub-string. The effect of a rewrite rule is also explained in [rewrite by rule](#).

The built-in elementary absorptions are as follows. They take precedence over any matching explicit rewrite rule. In each of the following subsections, the earliest applicable elementary simplification in the list is the one that is applied.

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2. Predicates

2.1. Negations

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \neg \text{false} & \implies & \text{true} \\
 \neg \text{true} & \implies & \text{false} \\
 \neg \neg p & \implies & p
 \end{array}$$

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2.2. Conjunctions

$$p \wedge \text{false} \implies \text{false}$$

$$\text{false} \wedge p \implies \text{false}$$

$$p \wedge \neg p \implies \text{false}$$

$$\neg p \wedge p \implies \text{false}$$

$$p \wedge \text{true} \implies p$$

$$\text{true} \wedge p \implies p$$

$$p \wedge p \implies p$$

$$p \text{ NL } \text{false} \implies \text{false}$$

$$\text{false} \text{ NL } p \implies \text{false}$$

$$p \text{ NL } \neg p \implies \text{false}$$

$$\neg p \text{ NL } p \implies \text{false}$$

$$p \text{ NL } \text{true} \implies p$$

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2.3. Disjunctions

$$p \vee \text{true} \implies \text{true}$$

$$\text{true} \vee p \implies \text{true}$$

$$p \vee \neg p \implies \text{true}$$

$$\neg p \vee p \implies \text{true}$$

$$p \vee \text{false} \implies p$$

$$\text{false} \vee p \implies p$$

$$p \vee p \implies p$$

2.4. Implications

$$\text{false} \Rightarrow p \implies \text{true}$$

$$p \Rightarrow \text{true} \implies \text{true}$$

$$p \Rightarrow p \implies \text{true}$$

$$\text{true} \Rightarrow p \implies p$$

$$\neg p \Rightarrow p \implies p$$

$$p \Rightarrow \text{false} \implies \neg p$$

$$p \Rightarrow \neg p \implies \neg p$$

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2.5. Equivalences

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \Leftrightarrow p &\Longrightarrow true \\
 p \Leftrightarrow \neg p &\Longrightarrow false \\
 \neg p \Leftrightarrow p &\Longrightarrow false \\
 true \Leftrightarrow p &\Longrightarrow p \\
 p \Leftrightarrow true &\Longrightarrow p \\
 false \Leftrightarrow p &\Longrightarrow \neg p \\
 p \Leftrightarrow false &\Longrightarrow \neg p
 \end{aligned}$$

2.6. Universal quantifications

$$\begin{aligned}
 \forall ds \mid false \bullet p &\Longrightarrow true \\
 \forall s \bullet true &\Longrightarrow true \\
 \forall ds \mid p \bullet p &\Longrightarrow true \\
 \forall \mid true \bullet p &\Longrightarrow p \\
 \forall \mid p_1 \bullet p_2 &\Longrightarrow p_1 \Rightarrow p_2 \\
 \forall ds_1 \bullet \forall ds_2 \mid p_1 \bullet p_2 &\Longrightarrow \forall ds_1; ds_2 \mid p_1 \bullet p_2
 \end{aligned}$$

where the last rule is applicable only if no name is declared in both ds_1 and ds_2 , and there are no references to ds_1 from ds_2 .

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2.7. Existential quantifications

$$\begin{aligned}
 \exists ds \mid false \bullet p &\Longrightarrow false \\
 \exists s \bullet false &\Longrightarrow false \\
 \exists \mid true \bullet p &\Longrightarrow p \\
 \exists ds \mid p \bullet p &\Longrightarrow \exists ds \bullet p \\
 \exists \mid p_1 \bullet p_2 &\Longrightarrow p_1 \wedge p_2 \\
 \exists ds_1 \bullet \exists ds_2 \mid p_1 \bullet p_2 &\Longrightarrow \exists ds_1; ds_2 \mid p_1 \bullet p_2
 \end{aligned}$$

where the last rule is applicable only if no name is declared in both ds_1 and ds_2 , and there are no references to ds_1 from ds_2 .

2.8. Unique existential quantifications

$$\begin{aligned}
 \exists_1 ds \mid false \bullet p &\Longrightarrow false \\
 \exists_1 s \bullet false &\Longrightarrow false \\
 \exists_1 \mid true \bullet p &\Longrightarrow p \\
 \exists_1 ds \mid p \bullet p &\Longrightarrow \exists_1 ds \bullet p \\
 \exists_1 \mid p_1 \bullet p_2 &\Longrightarrow p_1 \wedge p_2
 \end{aligned}$$

2.9. Relations

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$e = e$	\implies	<i>true</i>
$e_1 = e_2$	\implies	<i>false</i> where e_1 and e_2 are distinct literals.
$e_1 \in e_2$	\implies	<i>true</i> where e_2 denotes the carrier set of the non-empty type of e_1 .
$i \in e$	\implies	<i>true</i> where i 's declaration is of the form $i : e$.
$i \in e_2$	\implies	<i>true</i> where i 's declaration is of the form $i : e$ and e_2 is the carrier set of e .
$i.b \in e_b$	\implies	<i>true</i> where i 's declaration is of the form $i : e_1 \times \dots \times e_b \times \dots \times e_n$.
$i.b \in e_{b2}$	\implies	<i>true</i> where i 's declaration is of the form $i : e_1 \times \dots \times e_b \times \dots \times e_n$ and e_{b2} is the carrier set of e_b .
$e_1.i \in e$	\implies	<i>true</i> where i 's declaration in the signature of e_1 is of the form $i : e$.
$e_1.i \in e_2$	\implies	<i>true</i> where i 's declaration in the signature of e_1 is of the form $i : e$ and e_2 is the carrier set of e .

Literals are numbers, strings, or extensions (sets, tuples, bindings) containing nothing but literals.

A type is non-empty in the following circumstances. The given type \mathbb{A} is known to be non-empty (this follows from the prelude), and free types that contain at least one element (nullary constructor) are known to be non-empty, but other given types cannot be assumed to be non-empty. Powerset types are known to be non-empty. Cartesian product and schema types are non-empty if all of their components are non-empty. Generic types cannot be assumed to be non-empty. So a type could be empty if it uses any empty given or generic types other than within powerset types.

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2.10. Schema predicates

$$e \implies true$$

where e is a schema predicate, and there is an inclusion declaration e in scope, and the environment of the schema predicate is given entirely by that declaration.

3. Expressions

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \{ ds \mid false \bullet e \} & \implies \{ \} \\
 \{ \mid true \bullet e \} & \implies \{ e \} \\
 \lambda ds \mid false \bullet e & \implies \{ \} \\
 \mu \mid true \bullet e & \implies e \\
 \text{let } \mid true \bullet e & \implies e \\
 \langle i_1 == e_1, \dots, i_n == e_n \rangle . i_k & \implies e_k \\
 (e_1, \dots, e_n) . b & \implies e_b \\
 \text{if } true \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 & \implies e_1 \\
 \text{if } false \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 & \implies e_2 \\
 \text{if } p \text{ then } e \text{ else } e & \implies e \\
 \{ \langle ds \rangle \} & \implies [ds] \\
 [ds \mid false] & \implies \{ \}
 \end{array}$$

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“absorption” e p

This example applies the *absorption* command to expression e and predicate p .

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