

Towards Logical Frameworks in the Heterogeneous Tool Set Hets

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Abstract. LF is a meta-logical framework that has become a standard tool for representing logics and studying their properties. Its focus is proof theoretic, employing the Curry-Howard isomorphism: propositions are represented as types, and proofs as terms.

Hets is an integration tool for logics, logic translations and provers, with a model theoretic focus, based on the meta-framework of institutions, a formalisation of the notion of logical system.

In this work, we combine these two worlds. The benefit for LF is that logics represented in LF can be (via Hets) easily connected to various interactive and automated theorem provers, model finders, model checkers, and conservativity checkers - thus providing much more efficient proof support than mere proof checking as is done by systems like Twelf. The benefit for Hets is that (via LF) logics become represented formally, and hence trustworthiness of the implementation of logics is increased, and correctness of logic translations can be mechanically verified. Moreover, since logics and logic translations are now represented declaratively, the effort of adding new logics or translations to Hets is greatly reduced.

This work is part of a larger effort of building an atlas of logics and translations used in computer science and mathematics.

1 Introduction

There is a large manifold of different logical systems used in computer science, such as propositional, first-order, higher-order, modal, description, temporal logics, and many more. These logical systems are supported by software, like (semi-)automated theorem provers, model checkers, computer algebra systems, constraint solvers, or concept classifiers, and each of these software systems comes with different foundational assumptions and input languages, which makes them non-interoperable and difficult to compare and evaluate in practice.

There are two main approaches to remedy this situation. The model theoretic approach of *institutions* [GB92,Mes89] provides a formalisation of the notion of logical system. The benefit is that a large body of meta-theory can be developed independent of the specific logical system, including specification languages for structuring large logical theories. Recently, even a good part of

model theory has been generalised to this setting [Dia08]. Moreover, the Heterogeneous Tool Set (Hets, [MML07]) provides an institution-independent software interface, such that a heterogeneous proof management involving different tools (as listed above) is practically realised. In Hets, logic translations, formalized as so-called institution comorphisms, become first-class citizens. Heterogeneous specification and proof management is done relative to a graph of logics and translations.

The proof theoretic approach of logical frameworks starts with one “universal” logic that is used as a *logical framework*. This is used for representing logics as theories (in the “universal” logic of the framework). For instance, the Edinburgh Logical Framework LF [HHP93] has been used extensively to represent logics [HST94,PSK⁺03,AHMP98], many of them included in the Twelf distribution [PS99]. Logic representations in Isabelle [Pau94] are notable for the size of the libraries in the encoded logics, especially for HOL [NPW02]. Logic representations in rewriting logic [MOM96] using the Maude system [CELM96] include the examples of equational logic, Horn logic and linear logic. A notable property of rewriting logic is *reflection* i.e. one can represent rewriting logic within itself. Other systems employed to encode logics include Coq [BC04], Agda [Nor05], and Nuprl [CAB⁺86]. Only few logic *translations* have been formalized systematically in this setting. Important translations represented using the logic programming interpretation of LF include cut elimination [Pfe00] and the HOL-Nuprl translation [SS04]. The latter guided the design of the Delphin system [PS08] for logic translations.

Both approaches provide the theoretical and practical infrastructure to define logics. However, there are two major differences. Firstly, Hets is based on model theory – the semantics of implemented logics and the correctness of translations are determined by model theoretic arguments. Proof theory is only used as a tool to discharge proof obligations and is not represented explicitly.

Secondly, the logics of Hets are specified on the meta-level rather than within the system itself. Each logic or logic translation has to be specified by implementing a Haskell interface that is part of the Hets code, and tools for parsing and static analysis have to be provided. Consequently, only Hets developers but not users can add them. Besides the obvious disadvantage of the cost involved when adding logics, this representation does not provide us with a way to reason about the logics or their translations themselves. In particular, each logic’s static analysis is part of the trusted code base, and the translations cannot be automatically verified for correctness.

The present work unites and unifies these two approaches. We give a general definition of logical framework that covers systems such as LF, Isabelle, and Maude and implement it in Hets. We follow a “logics as theories/translations as morphisms” approach such that a theory graph in a logical framework leads to a graph of institutions and comorphisms via a general construction. This means that new logics can now be added to Hets in a purely declarative way. Moreover, the declarative nature means that logics themselves are no longer only formulated in the semi-formal language of mathematics, but now are fully

formal objects, such that one can reason about them (e.g. prove soundness of proof systems or logic translations) within proof systems like Twelf.

Our work is part of the ongoing project LATIN (Logic Atlas and Integrator, [KMR09]). One of the main goals of LATIN is to fully integrate proof and model theoretic frameworks. In the long run, we envision that these provers also return proof terms, which Hets can then fill into the original file and rerun Twelf on it to validate the proof. Thus, Hets becomes the mediator that orchestrates the interaction between external theorem provers and Twelf as a trusted proof checker.

This paper is organized as follows. We give introductions to the model and proof theoretic approaches and the LATIN logic graph in Sect. 2. In Sect. 3, we define the notion of a logical framework and describe its implementation in Hets in Sect. 4. We will use an encoding of first-order logic in the logical framework LF as a running example.

2 Preliminaries

2.1 The Heterogeneous Tool Set

The Heterogeneous Tool Set (Hets, [MML07]) is a set of tools for multi-logic specifications, which combines parsers, static analyzers, and theorem provers. Hets provides a heterogeneous specification language built on top of CASL [ABK⁺02] and uses the development graph calculus [MAH06] as a proof management component. The graph of logics supported by Hets and their translations is presented in Fig. 1.

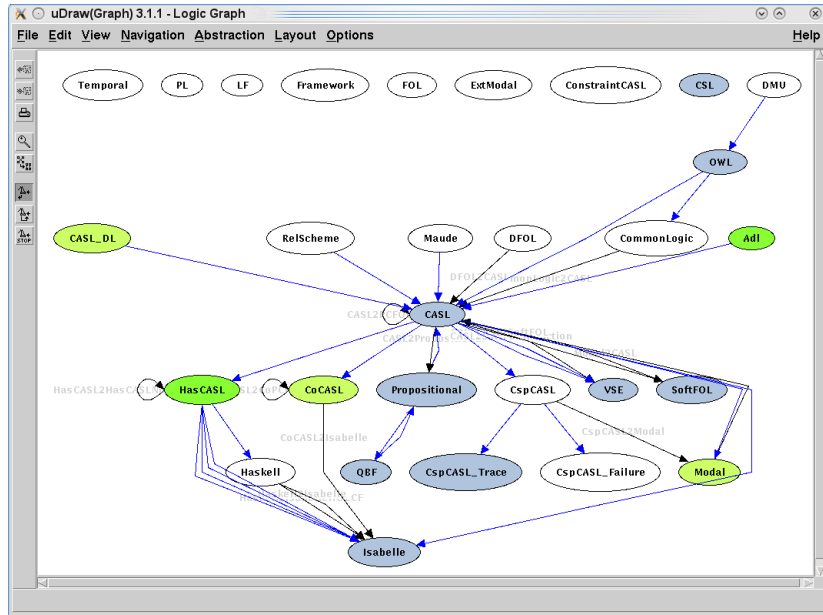


Fig. 1. Hets logic graph

Hets formalizes the logics and their translations using the abstract model theory notions of institutions and institution comorphisms (see [GB92]).

Definition 1. *An institution is a quadruple $I = (\text{Sign}, \text{Sen}, \text{Mod}, \models)$ where:*

- *Sign is a category of signatures;*
- *Sen : Sign \rightarrow Set is a functor to the category Set of small sets and functions, giving for each signature Σ its set of sentences $\text{Sen}(\Sigma)$ and for any signature morphism $\varphi : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ the sentence translation function $\text{Sen}(\varphi) : \text{Sen}(\Sigma) \rightarrow \text{Sen}(\Sigma')$ (denoted by a slight abuse also φ);*
- *Mod : Sign^{op} \rightarrow Cat is a functor to the category of categories and functors Cat¹ giving for any signature Σ its category of models $\text{Mod}(\Sigma)$ and for any signature morphism $\varphi : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ the model reduct functor $\text{Mod}(\varphi) : \text{Mod}(\Sigma') \rightarrow \text{Mod}(\Sigma)$ (denoted $|\varphi$);*
- *a satisfaction relation $\models_{\Sigma} \subseteq |\text{Mod}(\Sigma)| \times \text{Sen}(\Sigma)$ for each signature Σ*

such that the following satisfaction condition holds:

$$M'|\varphi \models_{\Sigma'} e \Leftrightarrow M' \models_{\Sigma} \varphi(e)$$

for each $M' \in |\text{Mod}(\Sigma')|$ and $e \in \text{Sen}(\Sigma)$, expressing that truth is invariant under change of notation and context.

For example, the institution of unsorted first-order logic **FOIL** has signatures consisting of a set of function symbols and a set of predicate symbols, with their arities. Signature morphisms map symbols such that their arities are preserved. Models are first-order structures, and sentences are first-order formulas. Sentence translation function means replacement of the translated symbols. Model reduct means reassembling the model's components according to the signature morphism. Satisfaction is the usual satisfaction of a first-order sentence in a first-order structure.

Definition 2. *Given two institutions I_1 and I_2 with $I_i = (\mathbf{Sig}_i, \mathbf{Sen}_i, \mathbf{Mod}_i, \models^i)$, an institution comorphism from I_1 to I_2 consists of a functor $\Phi : \mathbf{Sig}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{Sig}_2$ and natural transformations $\beta : \mathbf{Mod}_2 \circ \Phi \Rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}_1$ and $\alpha : \mathbf{Sen}_1 \Rightarrow \mathbf{Sen}_2 \circ \Phi$, such that the satisfaction condition*

$$M' \models_{\Phi(\Sigma)}^2 \alpha_{\Sigma}(e) \iff \beta_{\Sigma}(M') \models_{\Sigma}^1 e,$$

where Σ is a I_1 signature, e is a Σ -sentence in I_1 and M' is a $\Phi(\Sigma)$ -model in I_2 .

The process of extending Hets with a new logic can be summarized as follows. First, we need to provide Haskell datatypes for the constituents of the logic, e.g. signatures, morphisms and sentences. This is done via instantiating various Haskell type classes, namely *Category* (for the signature category of the

¹ We disregard here the foundational issues, but notice however that *Cat* is actually a so-called quasi-category.

institution), *Sentences* (for the sentences), *Syntax* (for abstract syntax of basic specifications, and a parser transforming input text into this abstract syntax), *StaticAnalysis* (for the static analysis, turning basic specifications into theories, where a theory is a signature and a set of sentences). All this is assembled in the type class *Logic*, which additionally provides logic-specific tools like provers and model finders. For displaying the output of model finders, also (finite) models are represented in Hets, and these can even be translated against comorphisms. The model theoretic foundation of Hets also is visible by the fact that *StaticAnalysis* contains methods for checking amalgamability properties that are defined model theoretically (and therefore not available in purely proof theoretic logical frameworks). The type class *Logic* is used to represent logics in Hets internally. Finally, the new logic is made available by adding it to the list of Hets' known logics.

The input language of Hets is HetCASL. It combines logic-specific syntax of basic specifications (as specified by an instance of *Syntax*) with the logic-independent structuring constructs of CASL (like extension, union, translation of specifications, or hiding parts). Moreover, there are constructs for choosing a particular logic, as well as for translating a specification along an institution comorphism.

2.2 Proof Theoretic Logical Frameworks

We use the term *proof theoretic* to refer to logical frameworks whose semantics is or can be given in a formalist and thus mechanizable way without reference to a platonic universe. These frameworks are declarative formal languages with an inference system defining a consequence relation between judgments. They come with a notion of language extensions called signatures or theories, which admits the structure of a category. Logic encodings represent the syntax and proof theory of a logic as a theory of the logical framework, and logical consequence is represented in terms of the consequence relation of the framework.

The most important logical frameworks are LF, Isabelle, and Maude. LF [HHP93] is based on dependent type theory; logics are encoded as LF signatures, proofs as terms using the Curry-Howard correspondences, and consequence between formulas as type inhabitation. The main implementation is Twelf [PS99]. The Isabelle system [Pau94] implements higher-order logic [Chu40]; logics are represented as HOL theories, and consequence between formulas as HOL propositions. The Maude system [CELM96] is related to rewriting logic [MOM96]; logics are represented as rewrite theories, and consequence between formulas as rewrite judgments. Other languages such as Coq [BC04] or Agda [Nor05] can be used as logical frameworks as well, but this is not the primary application encountered in practice.

In the following, we give an overview over **LF**, which we will use as a running example. LF extends simple type theory with dependent function types and is related to Martin-Löf type theory [ML74]. The grammar gives a simplified

grammar for LF:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Signatures } \Sigma &::= \cdot \mid \Sigma, c : E \mid \Sigma, c : E = E \\ \text{Morphisms } \sigma &::= \cdot \mid \sigma, c := E \\ \text{Expressions } E &::= \mathbf{type} \mid c \mid x \mid E E \mid \lambda_{x:E} E \mid \Pi_{x:E} E \mid E \rightarrow E \end{aligned}$$

LF **expressions** E are grouped into kinds K , kinded type-families $A : K$, and typed terms $t : A$. The kinds are the base kind \mathbf{type} and the dependent function kinds $\Pi_{x:A} K$. The type families are the constants a , applications $a t$, and the dependent function type $\Pi_{x:A} B$; type families of kind \mathbf{type} are called types. The terms are constants c , applications $t t'$, and abstractions $\lambda_{x:A} t$. We write $A \rightarrow B$ instead of $\Pi_{x:A} B$ if x does not occur in B .

An LF **signature** Σ is a list of kinded type family declarations $a : K$ and typed constant declarations $c : A$. Both may carry definitions, i.e., $c : A = t$ and $a : K = A$, respectively. Due to the Curry-Howard representation, propositions are encoded as types as well; hence a constant declaration $c : A$ may be regarded as an axiom A , while $c : A = t$ additionally provides a proof t for A . Hence, an LF signature corresponds to what usually is called a logical *theory*.

Relative to a signature Σ , closed expressions are related by the judgments $\vdash_{\Sigma} E : E'$ and $\vdash_{\Sigma} E = E'$. Equality of terms, type families, and kinds are defined by $\alpha\beta\eta$ -equality. All judgments for typing, kinding, and equality are decidable.

Given two signatures Σ and Σ' , an LF **signature morphism** $\sigma : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ is a typing- and kinding-preserving map of Σ -symbols to Σ' -expressions. Thus, σ maps every constant $c : A$ of Σ to a term $\sigma(c) : \bar{\sigma}(A)$ and every type family symbol $a : K$ to a type family $\sigma(a) : \bar{\sigma}(K)$. Here, $\bar{\sigma}$ is the homomorphic extension of σ to Σ -expressions, and we will write σ instead of $\bar{\sigma}$ from now on.

Signature morphisms preserve typing, i.e., if $\vdash_{\Sigma} E : E'$, then $\vdash_{\Sigma'} \sigma(E) : \sigma(E')$, and correspondingly for kinding and equality. Due to the Curry-Howard encoding of axioms, this corresponds to the theorem preservation of theory morphisms. Composition and identity are defined in the obvious way, and we obtain a category \mathbb{LF} .

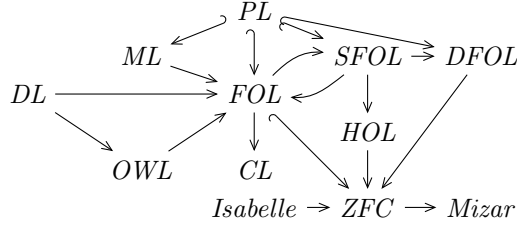
In [RS09], a **module system** was given for LF and implemented in Twelf. The module system permits to build both signatures and signature morphisms in a structured way. Its expressivity is similar to that of development graphs [AHMS99].

2.3 A Logic Atlas in LF

In the LATIN project [KMR09], we aim at the creation of a logic atlas based on LF. The Logic Atlas is a multi-graph of LF signatures and morphisms between them. Currently it contains formalizations of various logics, type theories, foundations of mathematics, algebra, and category theory.

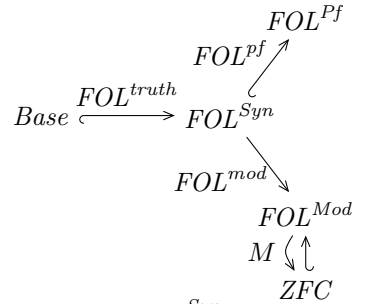
Among the logics formalized in the Atlas are propositional (PL), first (FOL) and higher-order logic (HOL), sorted ($SFOL$) and dependent first-order logic ($DFOL$), description logics (DL), modal (ML) and common logic (CL) as illustrated in the diagram below. Single arrows (\rightarrow) in this diagram denote translations between formalizations and hooked arrows (\hookrightarrow) denote imports. Among the

foundations are encodings of Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory, Isabelle’s higher-order logic, and Mizar’s Set theory [IR10].



Actually the graph is significantly more complex as we use the LF module system to obtain a maximally modular design of logics. For example, first-order, modal, and description logics are formed from orthogonal modules for the individual connectives, quantifiers, and axioms. For example, the \wedge connective is only declared once in the whole Atlas and imported into the various logics and foundations and related to type theoretic product via the Curry-Howard correspondence.

Moreover, we use individual modules for syntax, proof theory, model theory so that the same syntax can be combined with different interpretations. For example, the formalization of first-order logic ([HR10]) consists of the signatures $Base$ and FOL^{Syn} for syntax, FOL^{Pf} for proof theory, and FOL^{Mod} for model theory as illustrated in the diagram on the right. $Base$ contains declarations $o : \mathbf{type}$ and $i : \mathbf{type}$ for the type of formulas and first-order individuals, and a truth judgment for formulas. FOL^{Syn} contains declarations for all logical connectives and quantifiers (see Fig. 4). FOL^{truth} is an inclusion morphism from $Base$ to FOL^{Syn} . FOL^{Pf} consists of declarations for judgments and inference rules associated with each logical symbol declared in FOL^{Syn} . FOL^{Pf} is an inclusion morphism from FOL^{Syn} to FOL^{Pf} . FOL^{Mod} contains declarations that axiomatize the properties of FOL-models. In particular, it contains a declaration of a set $univ$ for the universe. It also includes a formalization ZFC of the Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory in which the models are defined. The morphism FOL^{mod} interprets FOL^{Syn} in FOL^{Mod} .



Then individual FOL-models are represented as LF signature morphisms from FOL^{Mod} to ZFC that are the identity on ZFC . Given such a morphism M , the composition $FOL^{mod}; M$ yields the interpretation of FOL^{Syn} in ZFC . This yields a representation of models as LF signature morphisms.

3 Logical Frameworks

3.1 Main Definition

Following the approach taken in [Rab10], we use logical frameworks that are based on a formal language given by a category of theories. We deliberately restrict attention to a special case that makes the ideas clearest and discuss generalizations in Sect. 3.2.

Definition 3 (Inclusions). *A category has inclusions if it has a broad subcategory that is a partial order. We write $B \hookrightarrow C$ for the inclusion morphism from B to C , and given $A \xrightarrow{f} B \hookrightarrow C \xrightarrow{g} D$, we abbreviate $f|_C = (B \hookrightarrow C) \circ f$ and $g|_B = g \circ (B \hookrightarrow C)$.*

Definition 4 (Logical Framework). *A tuple $(\mathbb{C}, \text{Base}, \mathbf{Sen}, \vdash)$ is a logical framework if*

- \mathbb{C} is a category that has inclusions and pushouts along inclusions,
- Base is an object of \mathbb{C} ,
- \mathbf{Sen} is a functor $\mathbb{C} \setminus \text{Base} \rightarrow \mathcal{SET}$,
- for $t : \text{Base} \rightarrow \Sigma$, \vdash_t is a unary predicate on $\mathbf{Sen}(t)$,
- \vdash is preserved under signature morphisms: if $\vdash_t F$ then $\vdash_{t'} \mathbf{Sen}(\sigma)(F)$ for any morphism $\sigma : t \rightarrow t'$ in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \text{Base}$.

\mathbb{C} is the category of theories of the logical framework. Our focus is on declarative frameworks where theories are list of named declarations. Typically these have inclusions and pushouts along them in a natural way.

Logics are encoded as theories Σ of the framework, but not all theories can be naturally regarded as logic encodings. Logic encodings must additionally distinguish certain objects over Σ that encode logical notions. Therefore, we consider \mathbb{C} -morphisms $t : \text{Base} \rightarrow \Sigma$ where Base makes precise what objects must be distinguished.

We leave the structure of Base abstract, but we require that slices $t : \text{Base} \rightarrow \Sigma$ provide at least a notion of sentences and truth for the logic encoded by Σ . Therefore, $\mathbf{Sen}(t)$ gives the set of sentences, and the predicate $\vdash_t F$ expresses the truth of F .

Example 1 (LF). We define a logical framework \mathbb{F}^{LF} based on the category $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{LF}$. \mathbb{LF} has inclusions by taking the subset relation between sets of declarations. Given $\sigma : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ and an inclusion $\Sigma \hookrightarrow \Sigma', c : A$, a pushout is given by

$$(\sigma, c := c) : (\Sigma, c : A) \rightarrow (\Sigma', c : \sigma(A))$$

(except for possibly renaming c if it is not fresh for Σ'). The pushouts for other inclusions are obtained accordingly.

Base is the signature with the declarations $o : \text{type}$ and $\text{ded} : o \rightarrow \text{type}$. For every slice $t : \text{Base} \rightarrow \Sigma$, we define $\mathbf{Sen}(t)$ as the set of closed $\beta\eta$ -normal

LF-terms of type $t(o)$ over the signature Σ . Moreover, $\vdash_t F$ holds iff the Σ -type $t(\mathbf{ded}) F$ is inhabited.

Given $t : Base \rightarrow \Sigma$ and $t' : Base \rightarrow \Sigma'$ and $\sigma : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ such that $\sigma \circ t = t'$, we define the sentence translation by $\mathbf{Sen}(\sigma)(F) = \sigma(F)$. Truth is preserved: assume $\vdash_t F$; thus $t(\mathbf{ded}) F$ is inhabited over Σ ; then $\sigma(t(\mathbf{ded}) F) = t'(\mathbf{ded}) \sigma(F)$ is inhabited over Σ' ; thus $\vdash_{t'} \mathbf{Sen}(\sigma)(F)$.

Example 2 (Isabelle). A logical framework based on Isabelle is defined similarly. \mathbb{C} is the category of Isabelle theories and theory morphisms. $Base$ consists of the declarations $bool : type$ and $\mathbf{trueprop} : bool \rightarrow \mathbf{prop}$ where \mathbf{prop} is the type of Isabelle propositions. Given $t : Base \rightarrow \Sigma$, we define $\mathbf{Sen}(t)$ as the set of Σ -terms of type $t(bool)$, and $\vdash_t F$ holds if $t(\mathbf{trueprop}) F$ is an Isabelle theorem over Σ .

We use logical frameworks to define institutions. The basic idea is that slices $t : Base \rightarrow L^{Syn}$ define logics (L^{Syn} specifies the syntax of the logic), signatures of that logic are extensions $L^{Syn} \hookrightarrow \Sigma^{Syn}$, and sentences and truth are given by \mathbf{Sen} and \vdash . We could represent the logic's models in terms of the models of the logical framework, but that would complicate the mechanizable representation of models. Therefore, we represent models as \mathbb{C} morphisms into a fixed theory that represents the foundation of mathematics. We need one auxiliary definition to state this precisely:

Definition 5. Fix a logical framework, and assume $L^{mod} : L^{Syn} \rightarrow L^{Mod}$ in \mathbb{C} as in the diagram below.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \curvearrowright & & \\
 L^{Mod} & \hookrightarrow & \Sigma^{Mod} & \xrightarrow{\sigma^{mod}} & \Sigma'^{Mod} \\
 \uparrow L^{mod} & & \uparrow \Sigma^{mod} & & \uparrow \Sigma'^{mod} \\
 L^{Syn} & \hookrightarrow & \Sigma^{Syn} & \xrightarrow{\sigma^{syn}} & \Sigma'^{Syn} \\
 & & \curvearrowleft & &
 \end{array}$$

Firstly, for every inclusion $L^{Syn} \hookrightarrow \Sigma^{Syn}$, we define Σ^{Mod} and Σ^{mod} such that Σ^{Mod} is a pushout. Secondly, for every $\sigma^{syn} : \Sigma^{Syn} \rightarrow \Sigma'^{Syn}$, we define $\sigma^{mod} : \Sigma^{Mod} \rightarrow \Sigma'^{Mod}$ as the unique morphism such that the above diagram commutes.

Then we are ready for our main definition:

Definition 6. Fix a logical framework $\mathbb{F} = (\mathbb{C}, Base, \mathbf{Sen}, \vdash)$. Assume $L = (L^{Syn}, L^{truth}, L^{Mod}, \mathcal{F}, L^{mod})$ as in the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
\mathcal{F} & \xrightarrow{id_{\mathcal{F}}} & \mathcal{F} & & \\
\downarrow & & \uparrow m & \swarrow m' & \\
LMod & \hookrightarrow & \Sigma Mod & \xrightarrow{\sigma^{mod}} & \Sigma' Mod \\
\uparrow L^{mod} & & \uparrow \Sigma^{mod} & & \uparrow \Sigma'^{mod} \\
Base & \xrightarrow{L^{truth}} & L^{Syn} & \hookrightarrow & \Sigma^{Syn} & \xrightarrow{\sigma^{syn}} & \Sigma'^{Syn}
\end{array}$$

Then we define the institution $\mathbb{F}(L) = (\mathbf{Sig}^L, \mathbf{Sen}^L, \mathbf{Mod}^L, \models^L)$ as follows:

- \mathbf{Sig}^L is the full subcategory of $\mathbb{C} \setminus L^{Syn}$ whose objects are inclusions. To simplify the notation, we will write Σ^{Syn} for an inclusion $L^{Syn} \hookrightarrow \Sigma^{Syn}$ below.
- \mathbf{Sen}^L is defined by

$$\mathbf{Sen}^L(\Sigma^{Syn}) = \mathbf{Sen}(L^{truth} |_{\Sigma^{Syn}}) \quad \mathbf{Sen}^L(\sigma) = \mathbf{Sen}(\sigma).$$

- \mathbf{Mod}^L is defined by

$$\mathbf{Mod}^L(\Sigma^{Syn}) = \{m : \Sigma^{Mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \mid m|_{\mathcal{F}} = id_{\mathcal{F}}\} \quad \mathbf{Mod}^L(\sigma^{syn})(m') = m' \circ \sigma^{mod}$$

All model categories are discrete.

- We make the following abbreviation: For a model $m \in \mathbf{Mod}^L(\Sigma^{Syn})$, we write \bar{m} for $m \circ \Sigma^{mod} \circ L^{truth} |_{\Sigma^{Syn}} : Base \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$. Then we define satisfaction by

$$m \models_{\Sigma^{Syn}}^L F \quad \text{iff} \quad \vdash_{\bar{m}} \mathbf{Sen}(m \circ \Sigma^{mod})(F).$$

Theorem 1. In the situation of Def. 6, $\mathbb{F}(L)$ is an institution.

Proof. We need to show the satisfaction condition. So assume $\sigma : \Sigma^{Syn} \rightarrow \Sigma'^{Syn}$, $F \in \mathbf{Sen}^L(\Sigma^{Syn})$, and $m' \in \mathbf{Mod}^L(\Sigma'^{Syn})$. First observe that $\bar{m}' = m' \circ \Sigma'^{mod} \circ L^{truth} |_{\Sigma'^{Syn}} = (m' \circ \sigma^{mod}) \circ \Sigma^{mod} \circ L^{truth} |_{\Sigma^{Syn}} = \overline{m' \circ \sigma^{mod}}$. Then $\mathbf{Mod}^L(\sigma)(m') \models_{\Sigma^{Syn}}^L F$ iff $\vdash_{\overline{m' \circ \sigma^{mod}}} \mathbf{Sen}((m' \circ \sigma^{mod}) \circ \Sigma^{mod})(F)$ iff $\vdash_{\bar{m}' } \mathbf{Sen}(m' \circ \Sigma'^{mod})(\mathbf{Sen}(\sigma^{syn})(F))$ iff $m' \models_{\Sigma'^{Syn}}^L \mathbf{Sen}^L(\sigma^{syn})(F)$.

Example 3 (FOL). We can now obtain an institution from the encoding of first-order logic in Sect. 2.3 based on the logical framework \mathbb{F}^{LF} . First-order logic is encoded as the tuple $FOL = (FOL^{Syn}, FOL^{truth}, FOL^{Mod}, ZFC, FOL^{mod})$. FOL^{Syn} , FOL^{Mod} , ZFC and FOL^{mod} are as in Sect. 2.3. FOL^{truth} is the inclusion from $Base$ to FOL^{Syn} .

We obtain an institution comorphism $\mathbb{FOL} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^{LF}(FOL)$ as follows. Signatures of \mathbb{FOL} are mapped to the extension of FOL^{Syn} with declarations $f : i \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow i \rightarrow i$ for function symbols f , $p : i \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow i \rightarrow o$ for predicate symbols p . If we want to map \mathbb{FOL} theories as well, we add declarations $ax : \text{ded } F$ for every axiom F . Signature morphisms are mapped in the obvious way. The sentence translation is an obvious bijection. The model translation maps every $m : \Sigma^{Mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ to the model whose universe is given by $m(\text{univ})$, which interprets symbols f and p according to $m(f)$ and $m(p)$.

Logical frameworks can also be used to encode institution comorphisms in an intuitive way:

Theorem 2. *Fix a logical framework $\mathbb{F} = (\mathbb{C}, Base, \mathbf{Sen}, \vdash)$. Assume two logics $L = (L^{Syn}, L^{truth}, L^{Mod}, \mathcal{F}, L^{mod})$ and $L' = (L'^{Syn}, L'^{truth}, L'^{Mod}, \mathcal{F}, L'^{mod})$. Then a comorphism $\mathbb{F}(L) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}(L')$ is induced by morphisms (l^{syn}, l^{mod}) if the following diagram commutes*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathcal{F} & \\
 & \swarrow & \searrow \\
 L^{Mod} & \xrightarrow{l^{mod}} & L'^{Mod} \\
 \uparrow L^{mod} & & \uparrow L'^{mod} \\
 & Base & \\
 L^{Syn} & \xrightarrow{l^{syn}} & L'^{Syn} \\
 & \swarrow L^{truth} & \searrow L'^{truth}
 \end{array}$$

Proof. A signature $L^{Syn} \hookrightarrow \Sigma^{Syn}$ is translated to $L'^{Syn} \hookrightarrow \Sigma'^{Syn}$ by pushout along l^{syn} yielding $\sigma^{syn} : \Sigma^{Syn} \rightarrow \Sigma'^{Syn}$. Sentences are translated by applying σ^{syn} . We obtain $\sigma^{mod} : \Sigma^{Mod} \rightarrow \Sigma'^{Mod}$ as the unique morphism through the pushout Σ^{Mod} . Then models are translated by composition with σ^{mod} . We omit the details.

It is easy to see that comorphisms that are embeddings can be elegantly represented in this way, as well as many inductively defined encodings. However, the assumptions of this theorem are too strong to permit the encoding of some less trivial comorphisms. For example, non-compositional sentence translations, which come up when translating modal logic to first-order logic, cannot be represented as signature morphisms. Or signature translations that do not preserve the number of non-logical symbols, which come up when translating partial to total function symbols, often cannot be represented as pushouts. More general constructions for the special case of LF are given in [Rab10] and [Soj10].

3.2 Generalizations

In Ex. 3, we do not obtain a comorphism in the opposite direction. There are three reasons for that. Firstly, $\mathbb{F}^{LF}(FOL)$ contains a lot more signatures than needed because the definition of \mathbf{Sig}^L permits any extension of L^{Syn} , not just the ones corresponding to function and predicate symbols. Secondly, the discrete model categories of $\mathbb{F}^{LF}(FOL)$ cannot represent the model morphisms of \mathbf{FOL} . Thirdly, only a (countable) subclass of the models of \mathbf{FOL} can be represented as \mathbf{LF} morphisms. Moreover, Def. 4 and 6 are restricted to institutions, i.e., the syntax and model theory of a logic, and exclude the proof theory. We look at these problems below.

Signatures In order to solve the first problem we need to restrict $\mathbb{F}(L)$ to a subcategory of \mathbf{Sig}^L . However, it is difficult to single out the needed subcategory in a mechanizable way. Therefore, we restrict attention to those logical frameworks where \mathbb{C} is the category of theories of a declarative language.

In a declarative language, the theories are given by a list of typed symbol declarations. In order to formalize this definition without committing to a type system, we use MMT expressions ([Rab08]) as the types. MMT expressions are formed from variables, constants, applications $@(E, l)$ of an expression E to a list of expressions l , bindings $\beta(E, l, E')$ of a binder E with scope E' binding a list of variables types by the elements of l . To that we add jokers $*$, which matches an arbitrary expressions, and \bar{E} , which matches a list of expressions each of which matches E .

Such MMT expression patterns give us a generic way to pattern-match declarations of the logical framework. If a concrete logic definition contains a set P of patterns, we represent its logical signatures as \mathbb{C} -objects Σ^{Syn} that extend L^{Syn} only with declarations matching one of the patterns in P . For example, the patterns for first-order logic from Ex. 3 would be $@(\rightarrow, \bar{i}, i)$ and $@(\rightarrow, \bar{i}, o)$ for function and predicate symbols of arbitrary arity, and $@(\text{ded}, *)$ for axioms. \bar{i} stands for a list of i representing an arbitrary number of arguments; $*$ stands for an arbitrary expression, which in this case must be a sentence to be well-typed.

Model Morphisms Regarding the second problem, if \mathbb{C} is a 2-category, we can define the model morphisms of $\mathbb{F}(L)$ as 2-cells in \mathbb{C} . However it is difficult in practice to obtain 2-categories for type theories such as LF or Isabelle. In [Soj10], we give a syntactical account of logical relations that behave like 2-cells in sufficiently many ways to yield model morphisms.

Undefinable Models The third problem is the most fundamental one because no formalist logical framework can ever encode all models of a Platonic universe. Our encoding of ZFC is strong enough to encode any **definable** model. We call a model M definable if it arises as the solution to a formula $\exists^1 M.F(M)$ for some parameter-free formula $F(x)$ of the first-order language of ZFC. This restriction is philosophically serious but in our experience not harmful in practice. Indeed, if infinite LF signatures are allowed, using canonical models constructed in completeness proofs, in many cases *all* models can be represented up to elementary equivalence.

Proof Theory Our examples from Sect. 2.3 already encoded the proof theory of first-order logic in a way that treats proof theory and model theory in a balanced way. Our definitions can be easily generalized to this setting.

Logic encodings in a logical framework become 6-tuples $(L^{Syn}, L^{truth}, L^{Mod}, \mathcal{F}, L^{mod}, L^{Pf}, L^{pf})$ for $L^{pf} : L^{Syn} \rightarrow L^{Pf}$. L^{Pf} encodes the proof theory of a logic, which typically means to add auxiliary syntax, judgments, and proof rules to L^{Syn} . Def. 5 can be extended to obtain $\Sigma^{pf} : \Sigma^{Syn} \rightarrow \Sigma^{Pf}$ as a pushout in the same way as Σ^{mod} . Finally the logical framework must be extended with a

component that yields a data structure of proofs (such as entailment systems or proof trees) for every slice out of *Base*.

For example, for the framework \mathbb{F}^{LF} , the proof trees for proofs of F using assumptions F_1, \dots, F_n can be defined as the $\beta\eta$ -normal LF terms over Σ^{Pf} of type $\Sigma^{Pf}(L^{truth}(\text{ded}) F_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow L^{truth}(\text{ded}) F_n \rightarrow L^{truth}(\text{ded}) F)$. A similar construction was given in [Rab10].

4 Logical Frameworks in Hets

The differences between LF and Hets mentioned in Sect. 2 exhibit complementary strengths, and a major goal of our work is to combine them. We have enhanced Hets with a component that allows the dynamic definition of new logics. The user specifies a logic by giving the representation of its constituents (syntax, model theory) in a logical framework and the combined system recognizes the new logic and integrates it into the Hets logic graph. The implementation follows the Hets principles of high abstraction and separation on concerns: we provide an implementation for the general concept of logical frameworks, which we describe in Sect. 4.1. This is further instantiated for the particular case of LF in Sect. 4.2. Finally, in Sect. 4.3 we present a complete description of the steps necessary to add a new logic in Hets using the framework of LF.

4.1 Implementing Logical Frameworks in Hets

To be able to specify a new object logic L in Hets, we start by declaring a Haskell type class *LogicalFramework*, which is instantiated by the logics which can be used as logical frameworks i.e. in which object logics can be specified by the user. Such candidates are for example LF, Maude and Isabelle. The class provides a selector for the *Base* signature and a method *writeLogic*, which generates the instances of the classes *Syntax*, *Sentences*, *StaticAnalysis*, and *Logic* for the object logic L .

Each logic implementing *LogicalFramework* must likewise implement the class *Category*, from which we get the category \mathbb{C} mentioned in Def. 4. The sentence functor **Sen** is specified implicitly by the *writeLogic* method: the instantiation of the *StaticAnalysis* class determines exactly which sentences are valid for a particular signature of L , thus giving **Sen** on objects. Since the current implementation of logics in Hets does not include satisfaction of sentences in models, the predicate \vdash_t is currently not represented as its main purpose is to define the satisfaction relation for object logics.

At the syntactic level, we must provide a way to write down new logic definitions in HetCASL, the underlying heterogenous algebraic specification language of Hets. Since definitions of new logics have a different status than usual algebraic specifications, we extend the language at the library level.

Concrete Syntax We add the following concrete syntax (on the right) to HetCASL in order to define new logics. Here L is the name of the newly defined logic and \mathbb{F}^{LF} is an identifier pointing to the logical framework used. The identifiers $L^{truth}, L^{mod}, L^{pf}$ are the components of the new logic L . They refer to previously declared signature morphisms of \mathbb{F}^{LF} and the signatures representing L^{Syn}, L^{Mod}, L^{Pf} can be inferred from them. The declaration of patterns is optional.

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newlogic L =
meta  $\mathbb{F}$ 
syntax  $L^{truth}$ 
models  $L^{mod}$ 
proofs  $L^{pf}$ 
patterns  $P$ 

```

After encountering a **newlogic** declaration, Hets invokes a static analyzer, which retrieves the signatures and morphisms constituting the components of the logic L . The analyzer verifies the correct shape of the induced diagram and instantiates the *Logic* class for the logic L as specified by the *writeLogic* method of the framework used to encode L .

The logic L arising from the **newlogic** L declaration differs from the one described in Def. 6 in that it does not use slice categories - the signatures of L are those signatures of \mathbb{F} which extend L^{Syn} and the morphisms of L are those morphisms of \mathbb{F} which are identity on L^{Syn} . This has the advantage that the data types representing the signatures and morphisms of \mathbb{F} can be directly reused for L and no separate instantiation of the class *Category* is required.

4.2 LF as a Logical Framework in Hets

To instantiate the *LogicalFramework* class for LF, we will make use of the instance of *Logic* class for \mathbb{LF} ².

The aim here is to reuse Twelf for parsing and static analysis: Any applicable input file - i.e. a Twelf file or a HetCASL file which has LF as the designated logic - is forwarded to Twelf, where parsing, static analysis and reconstruction of types and implicit arguments are performed. If the analysis succeeds, Twelf stores the output as an OMDoc version of the input file, which is then imported into Hets using standard XML technologies. Hets reads the imported OMDoc input and transforms it into corresponding \mathbb{LF} signatures and morphisms in their Hets internal representation.

The instantiation of the *LogicalFramework* class specifies the *Base* signature as the LF signature containing the symbols *o* and *ded*, described in Sect. 3. The *writeLogic* method specifies how to implement the *Logic* class for object logics using LF as the framework. While most data types and methods are inherited directly from LF, the method providing the static analysis of basic specifications is implemented differently. As before, it uses Twelf to verify the well-formedness of the specifications; the input signatures are assumed to be given relative to the L^{Syn} signature supplied when defining the object logic.

² An institution for \mathbb{LF} can be defined as for example in [Rab08].

4.3 Example: Adding FOL as a New Logic in Hets

We will now illustrate the steps needed to add first-order logic as a new logic in Hets. First, we need to gather the components of FOL in a new logic definition, as in Fig. 2. The first three lines are the imports of the morphism FOL^{truth} from $Base$ to FOL^{Syn} , the morphism FOL^{mod} from FOL^{Syn} to FOL^{Mod} , and the morphism FOL^{pf} from FOL^{Syn} to FOL^{Pf} as in Ex. 3, from their respective directories. Note that the directory structure is used to ease the modular design of logics in the Logic Atlas.

```
from ../first-order/syntax/fol get FOL_truth %%FOLtruth
from ../first-order/model_theory/fol get FOL_mod %%FOLmod
from ../first-order/proof_theory/fol get FOL_pf %%FOLpf

newlogic FOL =
  meta LF %% $\mathbb{F}^{LF}$ 
  syntax FOL_truth %%FOLtruth
  models FOL_mod %%FOLmod
  proofs FOL_pf %%FOLpf
end
```

Fig. 2. Defining FOL as a new object logic.

As a result of calling Hets on the above file, a new sub-directory is added to the source folder of Hets. The subdirectory contains automatically generated files with the instances needed for the logic FOL . Moreover, the Hets variable containing the list of available logics is updated to include FOL . After recompiling Hets, the new logic is added to the logic graph of Hets (the node FOL in Fig. 1 for the dynamically-added logic) and can be used in the same way as any of the built-in logics.

In particular, we can use the new object logic to write specifications. For example, the specification in Fig. 3 uses FOL as a current logic and declares a constant symbol c and a predicate p , together with an axiom that the predicate p holds for the constant c . Notice that the syntax for logics specified in a logical framework \mathbb{M} is inherited from the framework (in our case LF), but it has been extended with support for sentences, in the usual CASL syntax i.e. prefixed by the "." character.

Fig. 4 presents the theory of SP as displayed from within Hets; the theory is automatically assumed to extend FOL^{Syn} . Since in Hets all imports are internally flattened, the theory of SP when displayed will include all symbols from FOL^{Syn} .

5 Conclusion

We have described a prototypical integration of the institution-based Heterogeneous Tool Sets (Hets) with logical frameworks in general and LF and the Twelf

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logic FOL
spec SP =
  c : i.
  p : i -> o.

  . p c
end

```

Fig. 3. Specification in the new object logic.

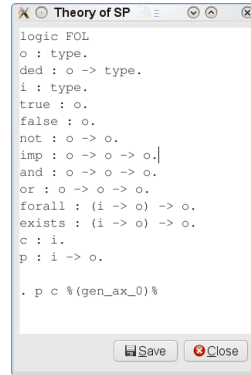


Fig. 4. Theory of SP

tool in particular. The structuring language used by Hets has a model theoretic semantics, which has been reflected in the proof theoretic logical framework LF by representing models as theory morphisms into some foundation. While LF is the logical framework of our current choice, both the theory and the implementation are so general that other frameworks like Isabelle can be used as well.

Proof theory of the represented logics has been treated only superficially in the present work, but in fact, we have represented proof calculi for all the LATIN logics within LF. Representing models as well has enabled us to formally prove soundness of the calculi. It is straightforward to extend the construction of institution out of logic representations in logical frameworks such that they deliver institutions with proofs. Hets will be extended in the future to deal with proof terms as well.

While the theory and implementation described in this paper make it possible to add logics to Hets in a purely declarative way, further work is needed in order to turn this into a scalable tool. Firstly, the logic translations-as-theory morphisms approach needs to be generalised in order to cover more practically useful examples. Secondly, the new LF generated logics present in Hets need to be connected (via institution comorphisms) to the existing hard-coded logics in order to share the connection of the latter to theorem provers and other tools. Thirdly, it will be desirable to have a declarative interface for specifying the syntax of new logics, such that one is not forced to use the syntax of the logical framework. We are currently examining whether Eclipse and xtext are helpful here. Finally, also the various tool interfaces of Hets should be made more declarative, such that Hets logics specified in a logical framework can be directly connected to theorem provers and other tools, instead of using a comorphism into a hard-coded logic. Then, in the long run, it will be possible to entirely replace the hard-coded logics with declarative logic specifications in a logical framework — and only the latter need to be hard-coded into Hets.

We explicitly invite researchers outside the LATIN project to contribute their logics. This should usually be a matter importing the aspects that are provided by Logic Atlas theories, and LF-encoding the aspects that are not.

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