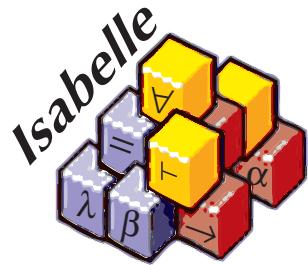
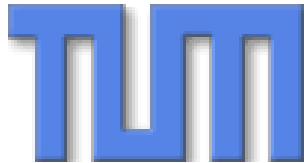


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Introduction to the Isabelle Proof Assistant



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Tutorial Schedule

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Session I

Basics

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! Axioms should mainly be used when !
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Unless you need something special:

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X-Symbols

Input of funny symbols in Proof General

- ▶ via menu (“X-Symbol”)
- ▶ via ascii encoding (similar to L^AT_EX): \<and>, \<or>, ...
- ▶ via abbreviation: /\, \/, -->, ...

x-symbol	\forall	\exists	λ	\neg	\wedge	\vee	\longrightarrow	\Rightarrow
ascii (1)	\<forall>	\<exists>	\<lambda>	\<not>	/\	\/	-->	=>
ascii (2)	ALL	EX	%	~	&			

(1) is converted to x-symbol, (2) stays ascii.

Demo: Isabelle theories

Natural Deduction

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Like *rule* but also

- ▶ unifies first premise of rule with an assumption
- ▶ eliminates that assumption

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Like `frule` but also deletes B_i

Demo: quantifier proofs

Practical Session I

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A man simplifies, a goal
A theorem is born.**

— Don Syme