

# FIRST EXPERIMENTS WITH NEURAL TRANSLATION OF INFORMAL MATHEMATICS TO FORMAL

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# Two Obstacles to Strong AI/Reasoning for Math

- 1 Low reasoning power of automated reasoning methods, particularly over large complex theories
  - 2 Lack of computer understanding of current human-level (math and exact science) knowledge
- The two are related: human-level math may require nontrivial reasoning to become fully explained. Fully explained math gives us a lot of data for training AI/TP systems.
  - And we want to train AI/TP on human-level proofs too. Thus getting interesting formalization/ATP/learning feedback loops.
  - In 2014 we have decided that the AI/TP systems are getting strong enough to try this. And we started to combine them with statistical translation of informal-to-formal math.

# ProofWiki vs Mizar – our CICM'14 Example

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## EXAMPLE: PROOFWIKI VS MIZAR VS MIZAR-STYLE AUTOMATED PROOF

== Theorem ==

Let  $(S, \circ)$  be an [[Definition:Algebraic Structure|algebraic structure]] that has a [[Definition:Zero Element|zero element]]  $z \in S$ . Then  $z$  is unique.

== Proof ==

Suppose  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are both zeroes of  $(S, \circ)$ .

Then by the definition of [[Definition:Zero Element|zero element]]:

$z_2 \circ z_1 = z_1$  by dint of  $z_1$  being a zero;

$z_2 \circ z_1 = z_2$  by dint of  $z_2$  being a zero.

So  $z_1 = z_2 \circ z_1 = z_2$ .

So  $z_1 = z_2$  and there is only one zero after all.

{{qed}}

// NB: Informal proofs are buggy!

```
Th9:  e1 is_a_left_unity_wrt o &
      e2 is_a_right_unity_wrt o implies e1 = e2
proof
assume that A1:  e1 is_a_left_unity_wrt o and
A2:  e2 is_a_right_unity_wrt o;
thus e1 = o.(e1,e2) by A2,Def6 .= e2 by A1,Def5;
end;
```

```
z1 is_a_unity_wrt o & z2 is_a_unity_wrt o
implies z1 = z2 proof
assume that A1:  z1 is_a_unity_wrt o and
A2:  z2 is_a_unity_wrt o;
A3:  o.(z2,z1) = z1 by Th3,A2; ::[ATP]
A4:  o.(z2,z1) = z2 by Def 6,Def 7,A1,A3; ::[ATP]
hence z1 = z2 by Th9,A1,Def 7,A2; ::[ATP]
end;
```

# Formal, Informal and Semiformal Corpora

- HOL Light and Flyspeck: some 25,000 toplevel theorems
- The Mizar Mathematical Library: some 60,000 toplevel theorems (most of them rather small lemmas), 10,000 definitions
- Coq: several large projects (Feit-Thompson theorem, ...)
- Isabelle, seL4 and the Archive of Formal Proofs
- Arxiv.org: 1M articles collected over some 20 years (not just math)
- Wikipedia: 25,000 articles in 2010 - collected over 10 years only
- Proofwiki -  $\LaTeX$  but very semantic, re-invented the Mizar proof style

# Our Initial Approach/Plan

- There is not yet much aligned informal/formal data
- So try first with “ambiguated” (informalized) formal corpora
- Try first with non black-box architectures such as probabilistic grammars
- Which can be easily enhanced internally by semantic pruning (e.g. type constraints)
- Develop feedback loops between training statistical parsing and theorem proving
- Start employing more sophisticated ML methods
- Progress to more complicated informal corpora/phenomena
- Both directly: ML/ATP with only cruder alignments (theorems, chapters, etc)
- And indirectly: train statistical/precise alignments across informal and formal corpora, use them to enhance our coverage
- Example: word2vec/Glove/neural learning of synonyms over Arxiv

# Work Done So Far: Informalized Flyspeck

- 22000 Flyspeck theorem statements **informalized**

- 72 overloaded instances like “+” for `vector_add`
- 108 infix operators
- forget “prefixes” `real_`, `int_`, `vector_`, `matrix_`, `complex_`, etc.
- **REAL\_NEGNEG**:  $\forall x. --x = x$

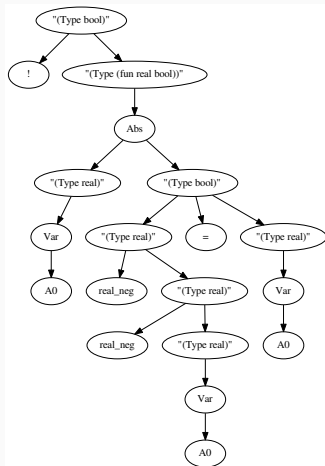
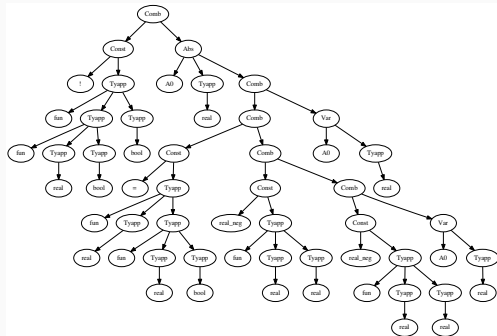
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"real"))))) (Var "A0" (Tyapp "real")))))
```

- **becomes**

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("(Type bool)" ! ("(Type (fun real bool))" (Abs ("(Type real)"
(Var A0)) ("(Type bool)" ("(Type real)" real_neg ("(Type real)"
real_neg ("(Type real)" (Var A0)))) = ("(Type real)" (Var A0))))))
```

- Training a probabilistic grammar (context-free, later with deeper context)
- CYK chart parser with semantic pruning (compatible types of variables)
- Using HOL Light and HolyHammer to typecheck and prove the results

# Example grammars



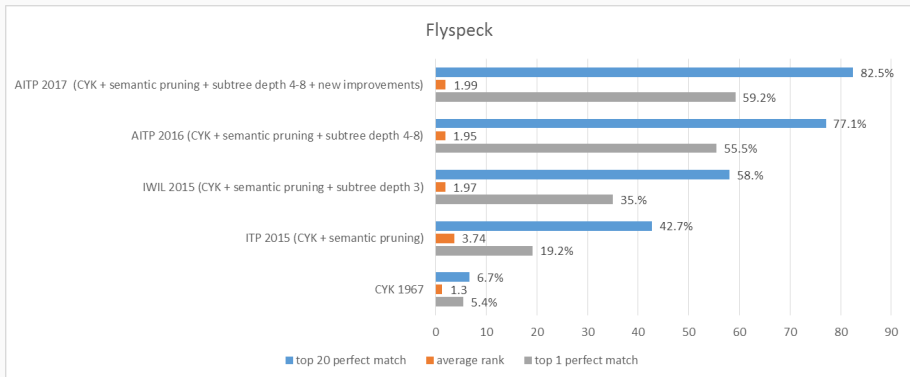
# Online parsing system

- "sin ( 0 \* x ) = cos pi / 2"
- produces 16 parses
- of which 11 get type-checked by HOL Light as follows
- with all but three being proved by HOL(y)Hammer

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sin (&0 * A0) = cos (pi / &2) where A0:real
sin (&0 * A0) = cos pi / &2 where A0:real
sin (&0 * &A0) = cos (pi / &2) where A0:num
sin (&0 * &A0) = cos pi / &2 where A0:num
sin (&(0 * A0)) = cos (pi / &2) where A0:num
sin (&(0 * A0)) = cos pi / &2 where A0:num
csin (Cx (&0 * A0)) = ccos (Cx (pi / &2)) where A0:real
csin (Cx (&0) * A0) = ccos (Cx (pi / &2)) where A0:real^2
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csin (Cx (&0) * A0) = Cx (cos (pi / &2)) where A0:real^2
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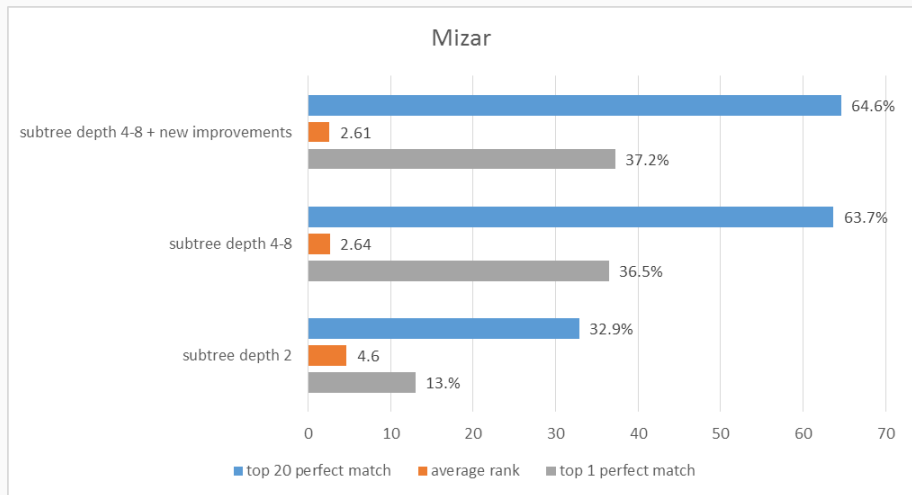
# Flyspeck Progress



## Tried Also for Mizar

- More natural-language features than HOL (designed by a linguist)
- Pervasive overloading
- Declarative natural-deduction proof style (re-invented in ProofWiki)
- Adjectives, dependent types, hidden arguments, synonyms
- Addressed by using two layers
  - user (pattern) layer - resolves overloading, but no hidden arguments completed, etc.
  - semantic (constructor) layer - hidden arguments computed, types resolved, ATP-ready
  - connected by ATP or a custom elaborator

# First Mizar Results (100-fold Cross-validation)



# Neural Autoformalization (Wang et al., 2018)

- generate about 1M Latex - Mizar pairs
- Based on Bancerek's work: journal *Formalized Mathematics*  
<http://fm.mizar.org/>
- train neural seq-to-seq translation models (Luong – NMT)
- evaluate on about 100k examples
- many architectures tested, some work much better than others
- very important latest invention: *attention* in the seq-to-seq models
- more data very important for neural training – our biggest bottleneck (you can help!)

# Neural Autoformalization data

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Rendered  $\LaTeX$

Mizar

If  $X \subseteq Y \subseteq Z$ , then  $X \subseteq Z$ .

`X c= Y & Y c= Z implies X c= Z;`

Tokenized Mizar

`X c= Y & Y c= Z implies X c= Z ;`

$\LaTeX$

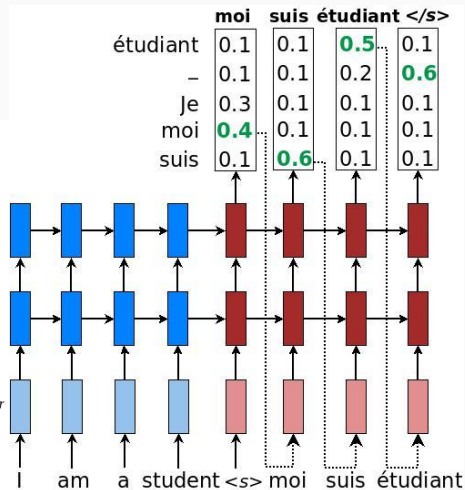
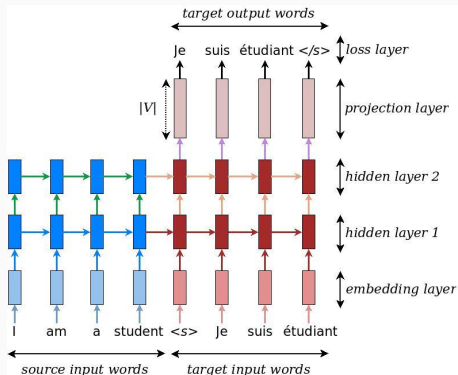
If  $\$X \subseteq Y \subseteq Z\$,$  then  $\$X \subseteq Z\$.$

Tokenized  $\LaTeX$

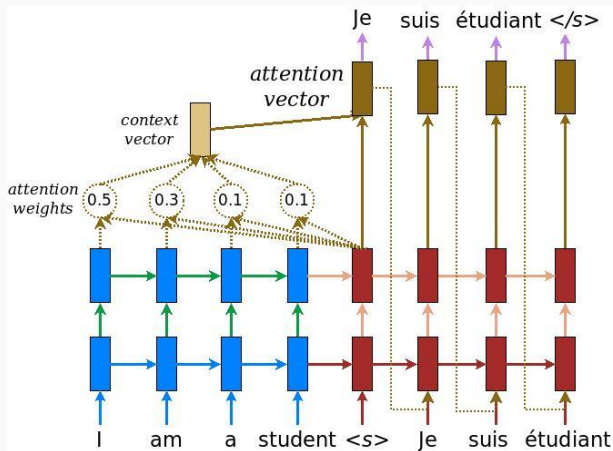
`If $ X \subseteq Y \subseteq Z $ , then $ X \subseteq Z $ .`

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# Sequence-to-sequence models - decoder/encoder RNN



# Seq2seq with Attention



## Initial results - Small Dataset (50k/5k train/test)

Attention	Correct	Percentage
No attention	120	2.5%
Bahdanau	165	3.4%
Normed Bahdanau	1267	26.12%
Luong	1375	28.34%
Scaled Luong	1270	26.18%
Any	1782	36.73%



# Sample Statement (50k/5k train/test)

Attention	Statement
Correct	for T being Noetherian sup-Semilattice for I being Ideal of T holds $\text{ex\_sup\_of } I, T \text{ \& sup } I \text{ in } I$
No attention	for T being lower-bounded sup-Semilattice for I being Ideal of T holds I is upper-bounded & I is upper-bounded
Bahdanau	for T being T , T being Ideal of T , I being Element of T holds height T in I
Normed Bahdanau	for T being Noetherian adj-structured sup-Semilattice for I being Ideal of T holds $\text{ex\_sup\_of } I, T \text{ \& sup } I \text{ in } I$
Luong	for T being Noetherian adj-structured sup-Semilattice for I being Ideal of T holds $\text{ex\_sup\_of } I, T \text{ \& sup } I \text{ in } I$
Scaled Luong	for T being Noetherian sup-Semilattice , I being Ideal of T $\text{ex } I, \text{ sup } I \text{ st } \text{ex\_sup\_of } I, T \text{ \& sup } I \text{ in } I$

# Full Neural Autoformalization results (1M/100k train/test)

Parameter	Final Test Perplexity	Final Test BLEU	Identical Statements (%)	Identical No-overlap (%)
128 Units	3.06	41.1	40121 (38.12%)	6458 (13.43%)
256 Units	1.59	64.2	63433 (60.27%)	19685 (40.92%)
512 Units	1.6	<b>67.9</b>	66361 (63.05%)	21506 (44.71%)
1024 Units	<b>1.51</b>	61.6	<b>69179 (65.73%)</b>	<b>22978 (47.77%)</b>
2048 Units	2.02	60	59637 (56.66%)	16284 (33.85%)

# Coverage and Edit Instance

	Identical Statements	0	$\leq 1$	$\leq 2$
<b>Best Model</b>	69179 (total)	65.73%	74.58%	86.07%
- 1024 Units	22978 (no-overlap)	47.77%	59.91%	70.26%
<b>Top-5 Greedy Cover</b>	78411 (total)	74.50%	82.07%	87.27%
- 1024 Units	28708 (no-overlap)	59.68%	70.85%	78.84%
- 4-Layer Bi. Res.				
- 512 Units				
- 6-Layer Adam Bi. Res.				
- 2048 Units				
<b>Top-10 Greedy Cover</b>	80922 (total)	76.89%	83.91%	88.60%
- 1024 Units	30426 (no-overlap)	63.25%	73.74%	81.07%
- 4-Layer Bi. Res.				
- 512 Units				
- 6-Layer Adam Bi. Res.				
- 2048 Units				
- 2-Layer Adam Bi. Res.				
- 256 Units				
- 5-Layer Adam Res.				
- 6-Layer Adam Res.				
- 2-Layer Bi. Res.				
<b>Union of All 39 Models</b>	83321 (total)	79.17%	85.57%	89.73%
	32083 (no-overlap)	66.70%	76.39%	82.88%

# Caveat

- Our evaluation is strictly syntactic
- Many synonyms in Mizar:
  - `for x st P(x) holds Q(x)`
  - `for x holds P(x) implies Q(x)`
  - ... and much more semantic ones
- We have not done an ATP evaluation yet

# Neural Autoformalization - Mizar to LaTeX

Parameter	Final Test Perplexity	Final Test BLEU	Identical Statements	Percentage
512 Units Bidirectional Scaled Luong	2.91	57	54320	51.61%

# Neural Fun – Performance after Some Training

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L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Input L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Correct

Snapshot-  
1000

Snapshot-  
2000

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3000

Snapshot-  
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Snapshot-  
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Snapshot-  
6000

Snapshot-  
7000

Suppose  $s_8$  is convergent and  $s_7$  is convergent . Then  $\lim(s_8+s_7) = \lim s_8 + \lim s_7$

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Suppose $ { s _ { 8 } } $ is convergent and $ { s _ { 7 } } $  
$ is convergent . Then $ \mathop { \rm lim } ( { s _ { 8 } }  
{ + } { s _ { 7 } } ) \mathrel { = } \mathop { \rm lim }  
{ s _ { 8 } } { + } \mathop { \rm lim } { s _ { 7 } } $ .
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seq1 is convergent & seq2 is convergent implies lim ( seq1  
+ seq2 ) = ( lim seq1 ) + ( lim seq2 ) ;
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```
x in dom f implies ( x * y ) * ( f | ( x | ( y | ( y | y )  
 ) ) ) = ( x | ( y | ( y | ( y | y ) ) ) ) ;
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seq is summable implies seq is summable ;
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seq is convergent & lim seq = 0c implies seq = seq ;
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seq is convergent & lim seq = lim seq implies seq1 + seq2  
is convergent ;
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seq1 is convergent & lim seq2 = lim seq2 implies lim_inf  
seq1 = lim_inf seq2 ;
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```
seq is convergent & lim seq = lim seq implies seq1 + seq2  
is convergent ;
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```
seq is convergent & seq9 is convergent implies  
lim ( seq + seq9 ) = ( lim seq ) + ( lim seq9 ) ;
```

# Thanks, references and advertisement

- *Thanks for your attention!*
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