

ACL2 Workshop 2007

Hacking and Extending ACL2

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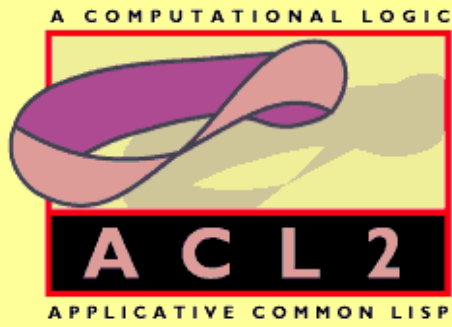
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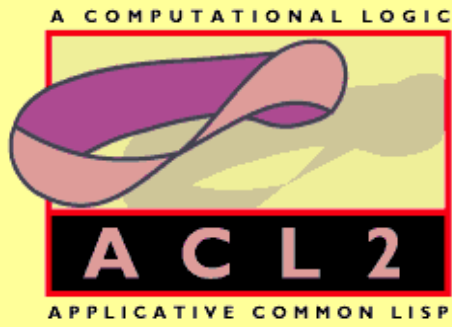
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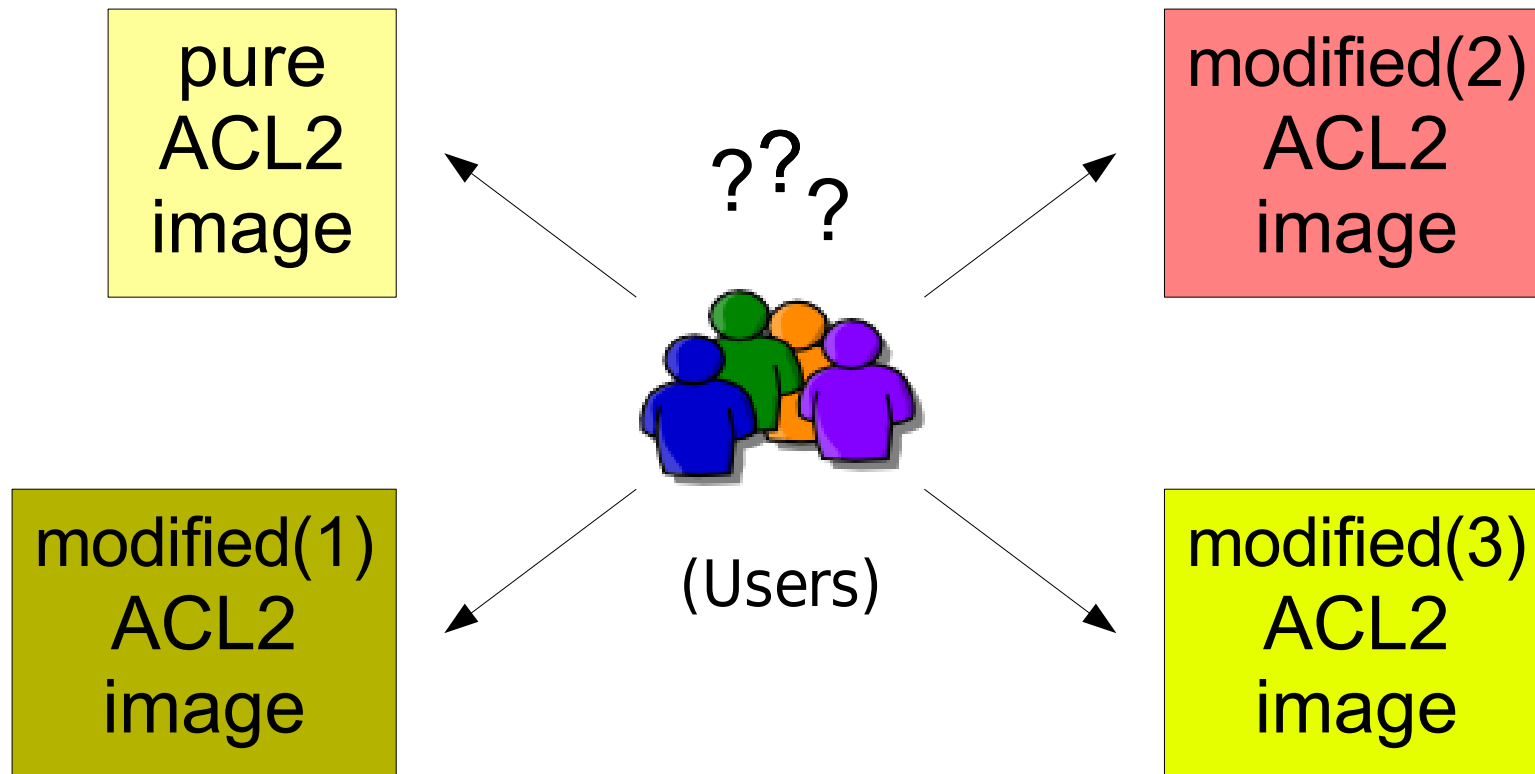
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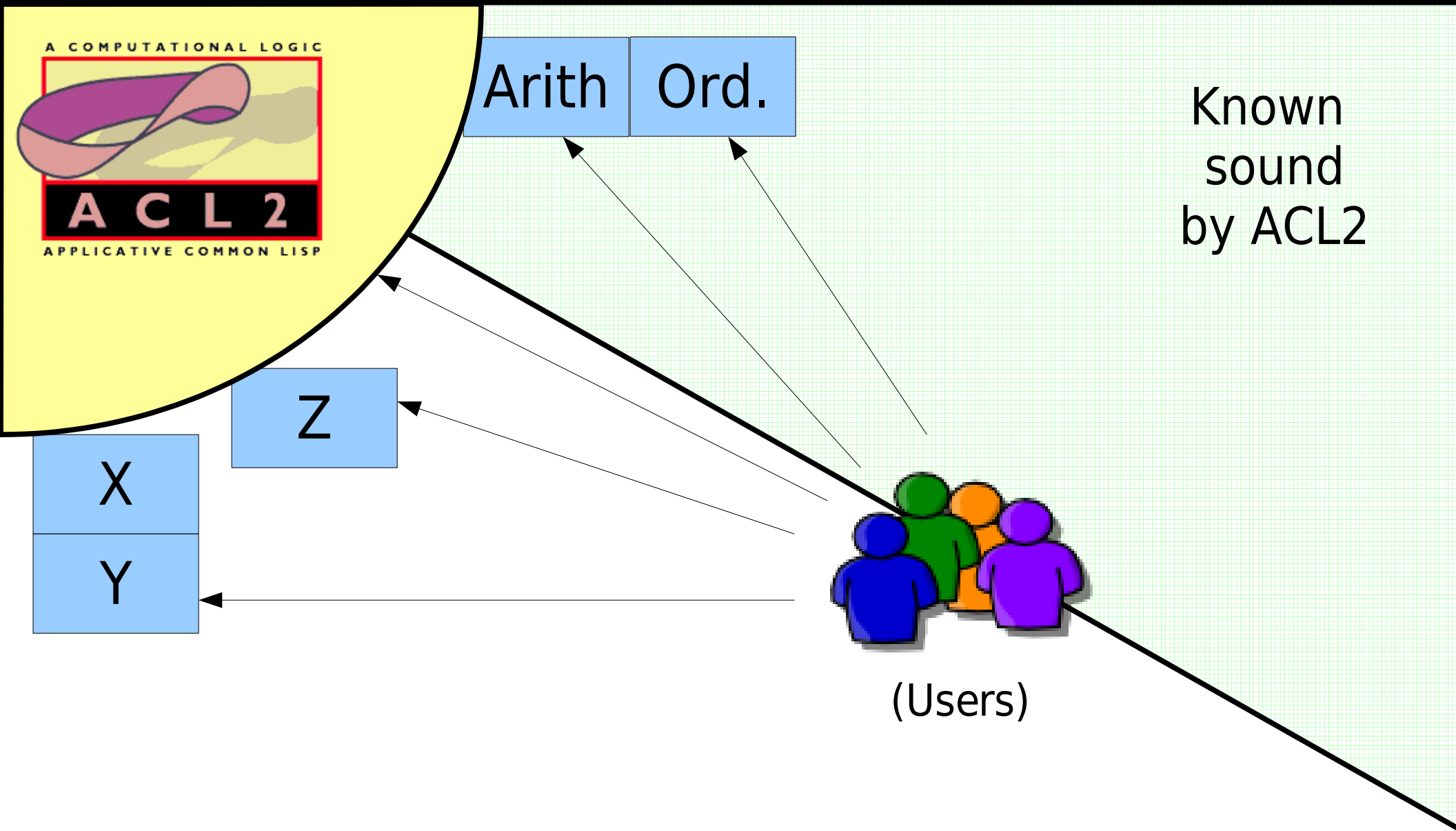
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Old Solution



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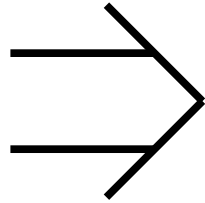
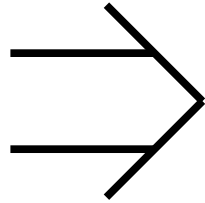
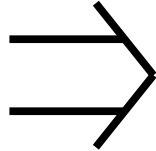
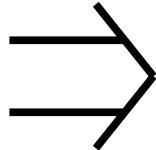
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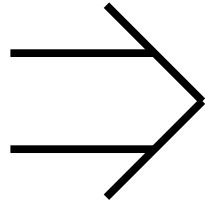
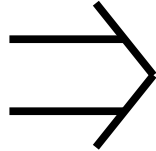
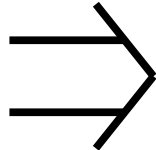
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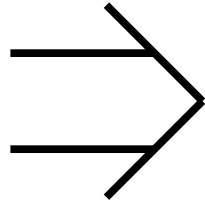
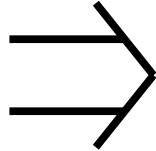
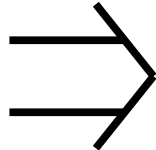
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Case 1: ACL2 Sedan

ACL2 Development - simple.lisp - Eclipse SDK

File Edit Navigate Search Project Run ACL2 Window Help

Navigator

- editor.lisp
- editor.lisp.a2s
- hacker.lisp
- hacker.lisp.a2s
- line_action.lisp
- line_action.lisp.a2s
- simple.lisp
- simple.lisp.a2s
- stand_alone_a2s

```
(cons (car x) (app (car x) y))
y))
(defun rev (x)
  (if (consp x)
      (app (rev (cdr x)) (cons (car x) nil))
      nil))
(theorem lemma
  (equal (rev (app l (list v)))
         (cons v (rev l)))
  :hints (("Goal" :induct (rev l))))
```

Proof Tree View

Tracking simple.lisp

(DEPTHM LEMMA ...)

c0 Goal PUSH *1

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c2 *1 INDUCT

|<1 more subgoal>

*simple.lisp.a2s

Busy...

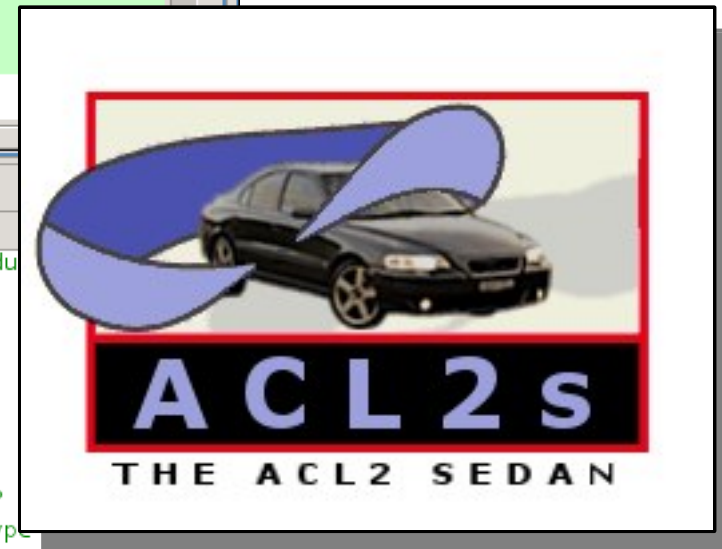
When applied to the goal at hand the above induction scheme produces the following two nontautological subgoals.

Subgoal *1/2

```
(IMPLIES (NOT (CONSP L))
  (EQUAL (REV (APP L (LIST V)))
         (CONS V (REV L)))).
```

But simplification reduces this to T, using the :definitions APP REV, the :executable-counterparts of CONSP and REV, primitive type reasoning and the :rewrite rules CAR-CONS and CDR-CONS.

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ACL2 Core Changes for ACL2s

- User Interface support:
 - Metadata output
 - Specialized UNDO/REDO mechanism
- Pedagogy support:
 - e.g. no autoinduct (Moore)
- Experimental improvements:
 - e.g. CCG Termination analysis (Vroon & Manolios)

Case 2: External reasoning

- E.g. external decision procedures
 - e.g. SULFA (Reeber & Hunt)
 - e.g. ACL2-SMT (Srinivasan & Manolios)
- See Kaufmann/Moore/Ray/Reeber paper
 - “Integrating external deduction tools...”
- (Uses trust tags & “clause processors”)

Case 3: make-event problems

- “Macros with state”
- Introduced in Version 3.0
- Arbitrary code in books
- Save & restore the world (& other things)
 - *should* be safe

make-event problems

```
(defconst *nil.lisp*  
  '((in-package "ACL2")  
    (defthm bad nil :rule-classes nil)))  
  
(defconst *nil.cert*  
  '(<evil .cert file contents>))  
  
(make-event  
  (er-progn (write-to-file *nil.lisp* "nil.lisp")  
            (write-to-file *nil.cert* "nil.cert")  
            (value '(value-triple :invisible))))  
  
(local (include-book "nil" :load-compiled-file nil))  
  
(defthm bad nil :rule-classes nil)
```

Potential evil inside make-event

- Output to files
- `sys-call`
 - Bob Boyer's gdb example
- `trace$` with custom code

Rejected solution: `<whatever>-okp` flags

(Now these require a trust tag)

Potential evil inside make-event

Key Insight:

Which dangerous construct

doesn't matter as much as

How it's used

and

On behalf of whom

• Ou

• sy

-

• tr

Reje

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basic example (broken)

```
ACL2 !>(redef)
(:QUERY . :OVERWRITE)
ACL2 !>(defun prove (term pspv hints ens wrld ctx state) (value nil))
```

```
ACL2 Error in ( DEFUN PROVE ...): Redefinition of system functions
is not permitted unless there is an active trust tag (ttag). See :DOC
defttag.
```

Summary

Form: (DEFUN PROVE ...)

Rules: NIL

Warnings: None

Time: 0.00 seconds (prove: 0.00, print: 0.00, other: 0.00)

```
***** FAILED ***** See :DOC failure ***** FAILED *****
```

```
ACL2 !>
```

basic example (fixed w/ttag)

```
***** FAILED ***** See :DOC failure ***** FAILED *****
ACL2 !> (defttag <non-nil symbol>)

TTAG NOTE: Adding ttag <non-nil symbol> from the top level loop.
T
ACL2 !>
```

basic example (fixed w/ttag)

S
F
R
W
T

```
***** FAILED ***** See :DOC failure ***** FAILED *****
ACL2 !>(defttag t) ;; Let me do what I want.

TTAG NOTE: Adding ttag T from the top level loop.
T
ACL2 !>(defun prove (term pspv hints ens wrld ctx state) (value nil))

ACL2 Query (:REDEF): PROVE is an ACL2 system function. Its current
defun-mode is :program. Do you really want to redefine it? (N, Y,
E, 0 or?): y
...

Summary
Form: ( DEFUN PROVE ...)
Rules: ((:FAKE-RUNE-FOR-TYPE-SET NIL))
Warnings: None
Time: 0.02 seconds (prove: 0.00, print: 0.00, other: 0.02)
PROVE
ACL2 !>(defthm bad nil :rule-classes nil)...
```


ttags with books example

abc.lisp

```
(in-package "ACL2")  
...  
(defttag :foo)  
<use of dangerous constructs>  
(defttag nil)  
...
```

abc.acl2

```
(certify-book "abc" ? t  
  :ttags ((:foo)))
```

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abc.acl2

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```

xyz.lisp

```
...  
(include-book "abc"  
  :ttags ((:foo)))  
...
```

xyz.acl2

```
(certify-book "xyz"  
  :ttags ((:foo)))
```

ttags with books failure (1)

```
ACL2 !>(include-book "all")
```

```
ACL2 Error in ( INCLUDE-BOOK "all" ...): The ttag DEFCODE associated
with file /home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/all.lisp
is not among the set of ttags permitted in the current context, namely:
  NIL.
See :DOC defttag.
```

Summary

Form: (INCLUDE-BOOK "all" ...)

Rules: NIL

Warnings: None

Time: 0.68 seconds (prove: 0.00, print: 0.00, other: 0.68)

```
***** FAILED ***** See :DOC failure ***** FAILED *****
```

```
ACL2 !>
```

ttags with books failure (2)

```
ACL2 !>(include-book "all" :ttags ((defcode)))
```

```
ACL2 Error in ( INCLUDE-BOOK "all" ...): The ttag TABLE-GUARD associated
with file /home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/all.lisp
is not among the set of ttags permitted in the current context, namely:
  ((DEFCODE)).
See :DOC defttag.
```

Summary

Form: (INCLUDE-BOOK "all" ...)

Rules: NIL

Warnings: None

Time: 0.15 seconds (prove: 0.00, print: 0.00, other: 0.15)

```
***** FAILED ***** See :DOC failure ***** FAILED *****
```

```
ACL2 !>
```

success!

```
ACL2 !>(include-book "all" :ttags ((defcode) (table-guard)))
```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag DEFCODE from file  
/home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/defcode.lisp.
```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag DEFCODE from file  
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```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag TABLE-GUARD from file  
/home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/table-guard.lisp.
```

Summary

Form: (INCLUDE-BOOK "all" ...)

Rules: NIL

Warnings: None

Time: 0.96 seconds (prove: 0.00, print: 0.00, other: 0.96)

"/home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/all.lisp"

```
ACL2 !>
```

success! (alternate)

```
ACL2 !>(include-book "all" :ttags :all) ; Just do it!
```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag DEFCODE from file  
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```

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```

```
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/home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/table-guard.lisp.
```

Summary

Form: (INCLUDE-BOOK "all" ...)

Rules: NIL

Warnings: None

Time: 0.96 seconds (prove: 0.00, print: 0.00, other: 0.96)

"/home/peterd/eclipse-workspace/acl2s/hooks/hacker/all.lisp"

```
ACL2 !>
```

“TTAG NOTE” justification (1/2)

```
ACL2 !>(ttags-seen)
```

```
<no ttags seen>
```

```
Warning: This output is minimally trustworthy (see :DOC TTAGS-SEEN).
```

```
ACL2 !>(include-book "defcode" :ttags :all)
```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag DEFCODE from file  
/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode.lisp.
```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag DEFCODE from file  
/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode-macro.lisp.
```

```
"/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode.lisp"
```

```
ACL2 !>(ttags-seen)
```

```
(DEFCODE "/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode-macro.lisp"  
         "/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode.lisp")
```

```
Warning: This output is minimally trustworthy (see :DOC TTAGS-SEEN).
```

```
ACL2 !>
```

“TTAG NOTE” justification (2/2)

```
"/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode.lisp"
```

```
ACL2 !>(ttags-seen)
```

```
(DEFCODE "/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode-macro.lisp"  
         "/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/defcode.lisp")
```

```
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```

```
ACL2 !>(include-book "mischief" :ttags :all)
```

```
TTAG NOTE (for included book): Adding ttag MISCHIEF from file  
/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/mischief.lisp.
```

```
"/home/peterd/acl2-hacking/code/mischief.lisp"
```

```
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```

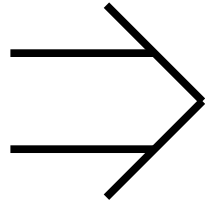
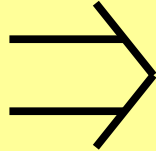
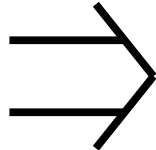
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```

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```
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These techniques should be considered a *last resort* by most users.

Basic Extension Mechanisms

- Unprotected code
 - ▶ PROGN!
- Raw Lisp code
 - ▶ SET-RAW-MODE
- Untouchable fns & state global vars
 - ▶ SET-TEMP-TOUCHABLE-{FNS, VARS}
- Redefine system fns
 - ▶ (complicated)
- External invocation
 - ▶ SYS-CALL
- File writing
 - ▶ OPEN-OUTPUT-CHANNEL!

PROGN! shortcomings

- Define a function in raw Lisp (in a book):

```
(progn!  
  (in-raw-mode  
    (defun f (x) (g x))))
```

- What about undoing?
- What about resurrection (oops)?
 - Cheap “solution”: `reset-prehistory`

DEFCODE: separate meanings

• What happens when it is processed by the ACL2 loop?	:LOOP
• What happens when any world extension it creates is installed?	:EXTEND
• What happens when any world extension it creates is retracted?	:RETRACT
• What does it look like to the Lisp compiler?	:COMPILE

DEFCODE Example Outline

- Define a function in raw Lisp:

(defcode

:loop

If already defined, throw an error.

:compile

<raw definition for compiler>

:extend

Install raw definition.

:retract

Remove raw definition.

)

DEFCODE Actual Example

```
(defcode
  :loop ((in-row-mode
         (when (or (fboundp 'f)
                   (macro-function 'f))
               (hard-error 'defcode
                           "F already defined."))))
  :compile ((defun f (x) (g x)))
  :extend ((in-row-mode (defun f (x) (g x))))
  :retract ((in-row-mode (fmakunbound 'f))))
```

DEFPCODE Possible Criticisms

- Verbose
 - Macros → not a problem!
- Not part of ACL2 proper
 - Hard to define DEFPCODE without DEFPCODE!
- Why (again)?
 - Enables books of extensions to behave like ordinary books (+ ttags)
- Low-level; hard to get right ...

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E.g. Remove Auto Induction

```
(redefun+rewrite
  induct
  (:carpat (select-x-cl-set %cl-set% %induct-hint%)
  :vars (%cl-set% %induct-hint%)
  :mult +
  :repl
  (select-x-cl-set (if (get-no-auto-induct state)
                       nil
                       %cl-set%)
                   %induct-hint%)))
```

Yes, it uses make-event. :)

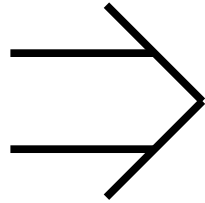
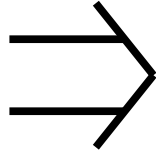
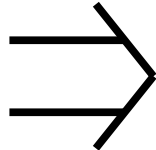
E.g. Special Output

```
(modify-raw-defun
  read-object (chan st)
  :name-for-old-raw original-read-object
  :raw (progn (when (and (acl2::live-state-p st)
                        (eq chan *standard-oi*)
                        (acl2s-activep st))
                (format t "${ReAd-ObJeCt}$~%"))
            (original-read-object chan st)))
```

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- Resembles AOP

Conclusion

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Final Thoughts

- Trust tags for users
 - Know what they are & what they mean
 - Be picky
- Trust tags for hackers
 - Be nice
 - Be smart
- Should DEFCODE be in ACL2?
- Hacking is a last resort!

Thanks & Questions

See also

- Paper & accompanying code
- “Integrating External Deduction Tools with ACL2.” Kaufmann, Moore, Ray, and Reeber. *Journal of Applied Logic*.
- “ACL2s: The ACL2 Sedan.” Dillinger, Manolios, Vroon, and Moore. *Proc. UITP 2006*. ENTCS.
- <http://acl2s.peterd.org>

No ttags using a ttag

```
(in-package "ACL2")

(deffttag no-ttags)

(progn!
  (set-raw-mode t)
  (defun notify-on-deffttag (val active-book-name include-bookp state)
    (value (hard-error 'deffttag "Trust tags have been disabled for
this session." ())))))

(local
  (progn!
    (set-raw-mode t)
    (defun notify-on-deffttag (val active-book-name include-bookp state)
      (value nil))))
```