

Termination and Complexity in Higher-Order Term Rewriting

Part 4. Termination:
modular termination proofs using dependency pairs

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Running example

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inc(0) → s(inc(s(0)))
fexp(0, y) → y
fexp(s(x), y) → double(x, y, 0)
double(x, 0, z) → fexp(x, z)
double(x, s(y), z) → double(x, y, s(s(z)))
hd(cons(x, l)) → x
len(()) → 0
len(cons(x, l)) → s(len(l))
map(F, []) → []
map(F, cons(x, l)) → cons(F · x, map(F, l))
fold(F, x, [], l) → x
fold(F, x, cons(y, l)) → fold(F, F · x · y, l)
mkbig(l, x) → map(ack(x), l)
mkdiv(l, x) → map(λy.quot(y, x), l)
sma(b, F, 0) → 0
sma(true, F, s(x)) → s(x)
sma(false, F, s(x)) → sma(F · x, F, quot(x, s(s 0)))
twice(F, x) → F · (F · x)
H(s(x)) → H(twice(I, x))
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We easily see: $\ell^\# \rightarrow p^\#$ is a dependency pair!

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Observation: In an infinite chain, if ever we encounter a root symbol $\text{minus}^\#$ the root symbol never becomes $\text{quot}^\#$ again!

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2. Can you split up the resulting problem whether an infinite minimal $(\text{DP}(\mathcal{R}), \mathcal{R})$ -chain exists?

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2. Can you split up the resulting problem whether an infinite minimal $(\text{DP}(\mathcal{R}), \mathcal{R})$ -chain exists?
3. This should result in multiple problems “is there an infinite minimal $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{R})$ -chain?” Can you prove for some of them that the answer is **no** (such a chain does not exist)?

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Exercise

Compute the dependency pairs of:

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 $a :: 0$
 $c :: 0 \Rightarrow 0$
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 $\text{add} :: \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$
 $\text{mul} :: \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$
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$\text{rec}(0, F, y) \rightarrow y$
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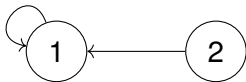
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Exercises:

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Exercise

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