

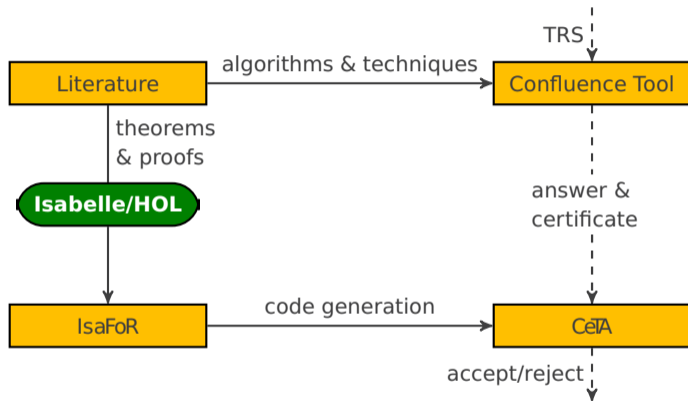


# History and Future of the CeTA-Certifier for CoCo (Including a New Decision Procedure for Pattern Completeness)

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# The Certification Approach for CoCo



- machine checked theorems
- verified algorithms that check correct application of confluence techniques

# History of CeTA 1/3

- 2009: first release of CeTA: Certified Termination Analysis
  - main development by Sternagel and T.
  - focus on termination techniques for TRSs
- 2009 – : CeTA checks proofs in termination competition (2022: CeTA can check more than 90 % of classified TRSs in “TRS standard”)
- 2011: new release of CeTA: Certified Tool Assertions
  - support of  $SN(\rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}}) = SN(\overset{i}{\rightarrow}_{\mathcal{R}})$  for **locally confluent** overlay systems
  - support of **confluence** via Newman’s lemma
- 2012: **non-confluence** support, weak orthogonality
- 2012: CeTA is used in **demo certification track** in CoCo
- 2013 – : CeTA is participating in **certification track** in CoCo

# History of CeTA 2/3

- many confluence contributions from UIBK \ T.
  - Felgenhauer
  - Middeldorp
  - Nagele
  - Sternagel
  - Winkler
  - Zankl
- covering
  - modularity
  - layer framework
  - rule labeling
  - almost parallel closed
  - unraveling
  - infeasibility, including ordered completion

# History of CeTA 3/3

- latest contributions (2022, 2023)
  - Kohl, Middeldorp (CPP and ITP 2023): almost development closed
  - Kim, T. (unpublished): criteria based on parallel critical pairs
  - Kim, Kohl, Middeldorp, T.: support for commutation
- CoCo 2022
  - winner TRS (CSI): 68 / 100
  - certified: 51 / 100
  - winner COM (CoLL): 58 / 85
  - certified: 0 / 85
- CoCo 2023
  - winner TRS: 71 / 100
  - certified: 60 / 100
  - winner commutation: 63 / 85
  - certified: 26 / 85
- many thanks to all confluence tool authors that teamed with CeTA
  - ACP, ConCon, CSI, Hakusan, nonreach

# Design of CeTA

- try to make certificate generation easy  $\implies$  small certificates
- try to make certificate checking robust  $\implies$  flexible check-functions
- example: check that certain critical pairs are joinable in some way
  - CeTA: verified algorithm to compute critical pairs
  - confluence tools might slightly deviate
  - CeTA: check that variant of every non-trivial critical pair exists in certificate
- TRS example:

$$f(x, a) \rightarrow b$$

$$f(x, y) \rightarrow g(y, x)$$

- CeTA:  $CP = \{(b, g(a, x1)), (g(a, x1), b), (b, b), (g(x1, x2), g(x1, x2))\}$
- certificate 1:  $CP = \{(g(a, x47), b), (b, g(a, x23))\}$
- certificate 2:  $CP = \{(b, g(a, u)), (b, f(g(y, x), a))\}$
- certificate 3:  $CP = \{(g(a, v), b), (iwc2023, cocoweb)\}$

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  - consider rule labeling with parallel critical pairs in commutation version
  - required decrease for parallel critical pair  $t \mathcal{R}_k \leftarrow \# \cdot \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} S_m u$ :

$$t (\mathcal{R}_{<k} \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow S_{<k})^* \cdot \dashrightarrow S_{\leq m} \cdot (\mathcal{R}_{<n} \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow S_{<n})^* \cdot \mathcal{R}_{\leq k} \leftarrow \# \cdot (\mathcal{R}_{<m} \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow S_{<m})^* u$$

for  $n = \max(k, m)$  and Toyama-restriction on  $\mathcal{R}_{\leq k} \leftarrow \#$ -step

- checker variant 1: breadth-first search with limit on number of steps

$$\underbrace{t \xrightarrow{c_1} \mathcal{R}_{<k}^{-1} \cup S_{<k} \cdot \dashrightarrow S_{\leq m} \cdot \xrightarrow{c_2} S_{<n}^c \cdot \mathcal{R}_{<n}^{c_3} \leftarrow \cdot \mathcal{R}_{\leq k} \leftarrow \# \cdot \mathcal{R}_{<m} \cup S_{<m}^{-1} \xrightarrow{c_4} u}_{\rightarrow} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{\leftarrow}$$

- trivial certificate
- breadth-first search might become time-critical:  $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 + c_4 \leq \text{limit}$
- cannot deal with conversions very well (extra variables will not be instantiated)

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- checker variant 2: require intermediate terms  $t, s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_{42}, u$ 
  - non-verbose certificate: **no specification of applied rules**
  - **automatic partitioning** of sequence
  - flexible: step from  $s_j$  to  $s_{j+1}$  might be single step or parallel step



# Automatic Partitioning

- required join

$$s_0 (\mathcal{R}_1 \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2)^* \cdot \dashv\vdash \mathcal{R}_3 \cdot (\mathcal{R}_4 \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_5)^* \cdot \mathcal{R}_6 \leftarrow \dashv\vdash \cdot (\mathcal{R}_7 \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_8)^* s_n$$

- provided: sequence of terms  $s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n$
- greedy approach

- try to find maximum  $i$  such that  $s_0 (\mathcal{R}_1 \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2)^* s_i$ 
  - $i := 0$
  - if  $s_i \dashv\vdash_{\mathcal{R}_1^{-1} \cup \mathcal{R}_2} s_{i+1}$  then  $i := i + 1$  and iterate (decision procedure for  $\dashv\vdash$ )
  - otherwise return  $i$
- continue with checking  $s_i \dashv\vdash \mathcal{R}_3 \cdot \dots$ 
  - if  $s_i \dashv\vdash \mathcal{R}_3 s_{i+1}$  then  $i := i + 1$
- continue with checking  $s_i (\mathcal{R}_4 \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_5)^* \cdot \dots$
- finally check  $s_i = s_n$

- greedy approach is complete since all relations in join are reflexive

# Future Work: Certification of Ground Confluence

- **ground confluence**: given many-sorted TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$ , determine whether  $\mathcal{R}$  is confluent on ground terms
- internally it is based on
  - **rewriting induction** (certification is ongoing work with Aoto, Kim, and Yamada), and
  - **quasi-reducibility** as a criterion to ensure sufficient completeness

# Quasi-Reducibility and Pattern Completeness

- general idea: is program sufficiently defined, i.e., does not get stuck
- setup: fix TRS  $\mathcal{R}$ , split signature into  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{C} \uplus \mathcal{D}$
- **basic ground terms:**  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) = \{f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid f \in \mathcal{D}, t_1, \dots, t_n \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{C})\}$
- **quasi-reducibility:**  $\forall t \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}). \exists s. t \rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}} s$
- **strong quasi-reducibility:**  $\forall t \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}). \exists s. t \xrightarrow{\leq 1}_{\mathcal{R}} s$
- **pattern completeness:**  $\forall t \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}). \exists s. t \xrightarrow{\varepsilon}_{\mathcal{R}} s$
- pattern completeness  $\implies$  strong quasi-reducibility  $\implies$  quasi-reducibility
- free constructors ( $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{C}) \subseteq NF$ ): pattern completeness = quasi-reducibility

# Quiz

- consider TRS with signature  $\mathcal{D} = \{\text{even}\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{\text{true}, \text{false}, 0, \text{s}\}$

$$\text{even}(0) \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\text{even}(\text{s}(0)) \rightarrow \text{false}$$

$$\text{even}(\text{s}(\text{s}(x))) \rightarrow \text{even}(x)$$

- is it quasi-reducible? strongly-reducible? pattern complete?
- if the sorts are  $\text{true} : \text{Bool}$ ,  $\text{false} : \text{Bool}$ ,  $0 : \text{Num}$ , and  $\text{s} : \text{Num} \rightarrow \text{Num}$
- if we add  $\text{p} : \text{Num} \rightarrow \text{Num}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$  and add further rules?

$$\text{even}(\text{p}(0)) \rightarrow \text{false}$$

$$\text{even}(\text{p}(\text{p}(x))) \rightarrow \text{even}(x)$$

$$\text{s}(\text{p}(x)) \rightarrow x$$

$$\text{p}(\text{s}(x)) \rightarrow x$$

# Quasi-Reducibility: Basic Ground Terms are Reducible

- decidable, co-NP complete [Kapur, Narendran]
- ensuring quasi-reducibility via Kapur, Narendran requires enumeration of exponentially many terms
- for left-linear TRSs, decidable via tree-automata:

$\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \subseteq$  “terms that contain redex”

- contains expensive subset-check
- certification requires verified tree-automata library
- restriction to left-linear TRSs

# Pattern Completeness: Basic Ground Terms have Root Redex

- for **left-linear** TRSs, decidable via tree-automata
- for **left-linear** TRSs, decidable via complement algorithm [Lazrek, Lescanne and Thiel]
- this talk: decision procedure for **pattern completeness** and for **strong quasi-reducibility**
  - does not require tree-automata techniques
  - inspired by matching algorithm
  - linear lower bound, exponential upper bound
  - no explicit computation of complements
  - **no restriction to left-linear** TRS
  - **verified** implementation in Isabelle/HOL (soundness, not complexity)
  - **outperforms complement algorithm**

# The Algorithm

- **modified matching algorithm**
  - matching problem is finite set  $mp = \{(t_1, l_1), \dots, (t_n, l_n)\}$  where  $t_i, l_i$  are terms
  - $l_i$  is subterm of left-hand side of TRS:  $t_i$  is matched by  $l_i$
  - **modification**: vars in  $t_i$  represent constr. ground terms:  $t_i\sigma$  is matched by  $l_i$
  - notion:  $mp$  is solvable w.r.t.  $\sigma$  if there is  $\gamma$  such that  $t_i\sigma = l_i\gamma$  for all  $i$
  - $\perp_{mp}$  is special matching problem that is never solvable
- **pattern problem** = disjunctive combination of matching problems
  - pattern problem is finite set  $pp = \{mp_1, \dots, mp_k\}$  of matching problems
  - $pp$  is solvable if for each constr. ground substitution  $\sigma$ , at least one of the matching problems  $mp_i$  is solved w.r.t.  $\sigma$
  - $\top_{pp}$  is special pattern problem that is always solvable
- examples for three-rule **even**-TRS: basic-terms represented by  $\mathit{even}(y)$ 
  - pattern completeness:  $pp := \{(\mathit{even}(y), \mathit{even}(0)), (\mathit{even}(y), \mathit{even}(s(0))), (\mathit{even}(y), \mathit{even}(s(s(x))))\}$
  - strong quasi-reducibility:  
 $pp \cup \{(y, \mathit{even}(0)), (y, \mathit{even}(s(0))), (y, \mathit{even}(s(s(x))))\}$

# Simplification Rules for Matching and Pattern Problems

- we transform matching problems ( $\rightarrow$ ) and pattern problems ( $\Rightarrow$ )
- whenever  $mp \rightarrow mp'$  then  $mp$  is solvable w.r.t.  $\sigma$  iff so is  $mp'$
- whenever  $pp \Rightarrow pp'$  then  $pp$  is solvable iff so is  $pp'$

$$\{(f(t_1, \dots, t_n), f(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n))\} \uplus mp \rightarrow \{(t_1, \ell_1), \dots, (t_n, \ell_n)\} \cup mp \quad (\text{decompose})$$

$$\{(f(\dots), g(\dots))\} \uplus mp \rightarrow \perp_{mp} \quad \text{if } f \neq g \quad (\text{clash})$$

$$\{(t, x)\} \uplus mp \rightarrow mp \quad \text{if } "x \notin mp" \quad (\text{match})$$

$$\{mp\} \uplus pp \Rightarrow \{mp'\} \cup pp \quad \text{if } mp \rightarrow mp' \quad (\text{simp-mp})$$

$$\{\perp_{mp}\} \uplus pp \Rightarrow pp \quad (\text{remove-mp})$$

$$\{\emptyset\} \uplus pp \Rightarrow \top_{pp} \quad (\text{success})$$

- example (pattern completeness of three-rule **even**-TRS):  $pp$

$$= \{ \{(\text{even}(y), \text{even}(0))\}, \{(\text{even}(y), \text{even}(s(0)))\}, \{(\text{even}(y), \text{even}(s(s(x))))\} \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{ \{(y, 0)\}, \{(\text{even}(y), \text{even}(s(0)))\}, \{(\text{even}(y), \text{even}(s(s(x))))\} \}$$

$$\Rightarrow^2 \{ \{(y, 0)\}, \{(y, s(0))\}, \{(y, s(s(x)))\} \}$$



# Towards Instantiation

- current rules get stuck on  $\{\{(y, 0)\}, \{(y, s(0))\}, \{(y, s(s(x)))\}\}$
- usual matching algorithm would indicate failure for all three matching problems
- here,  $y$  is variable, but represents an arbitrary constructor ground term
- $\implies$  perform case-analysis by replacing  $y$  by all possible ground terms
  - $y : \text{Num}$
  - all constructor ground terms of sort  $\text{Num}$  can be represented as  $0$  or as  $s(z)$  for some fresh variable  $z$
  - logically, we have to build a conjunction over all these cases: for each  $\sigma \dots$
  - $\implies$  work on sets  $P$  of pattern problems;  $P$  is solvable iff each  $pp \in P$  is solvable
  - define transformation rules  $\Rightarrow$  on sets of pattern problems
  - $\perp_P$  denotes unsolvable set of pattern problems

# Instantiation

- new rules for sets of pattern problems

$$\{pp\} \uplus P \Rightarrow \{pp'\} \cup P \quad \text{if } pp \Rightarrow pp' \quad \text{(simp-pp)}$$

$$\{\emptyset\} \uplus P \Rightarrow \perp_P \quad \text{(failure)}$$

$$\{\top_{pp}\} \uplus P \Rightarrow P \quad \text{(remove-pp)}$$

$$\{pp\} \uplus P \Rightarrow \{pp[x/c(\vec{x}s)] \mid c \in \mathcal{C}_\tau\} \cup P \quad \text{if } mp \in pp, (x, f(\dots)) \in mp, \text{ and } x \in \mathcal{V}_\tau \quad \text{(instantiate)}$$

- example (continued):  $\{pp\} \Rightarrow^* \{ \{ \{ (y, 0) \}, \{ (y, s(0)) \}, \{ (y, s(s(x))) \} \} \}$   
 $\Rightarrow \{ \{ \{ (0, 0) \}, \{ (0, s(0)) \}, \{ (0, s(s(x))) \} \},$   
 $\{ \{ (s(z), 0) \}, \{ (s(z), s(0)) \}, \{ (s(z), s(s(x))) \} \} \}$   
 $\Rightarrow \{ \{ \emptyset, \{ (0, s(0)) \}, \{ (0, s(s(x))) \} \},$   
 $\{ \{ (s(z), 0) \}, \{ (s(z), s(0)) \}, \{ (s(z), s(s(x))) \} \} \}$   
 $\Rightarrow \{ \top_{pp}, \{ \{ (s(z), 0) \}, \{ (s(z), s(0)) \}, \{ (s(z), s(s(x))) \} \} \}$   
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# Example – Finalized

$$\begin{aligned} \{pp\} &\Rightarrow^* \{\{\{(s(z), 0)\}, \{(s(z), s(0))\}, \{(s(z), s(s(x)))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\perp_{mp}, \{(s(z), s(0))\}, \{(s(z), s(s(x)))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\{(s(z), s(0))\}, \{(s(z), s(s(x)))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow^2 \{\{\{(z, 0)\}, \{(z, s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\{(0, 0)\}, \{(0, s(x))\}\}, \{\{(s(y), 0)\}, \{(s(y), s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\emptyset, \{(0, s(x))\}\}, \{\{(s(y), 0)\}, \{(s(y), s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\top_{pp}, \{\{(s(y), 0)\}, \{(s(y), s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\{(s(y), 0)\}, \{(s(y), s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\perp_{mp}, \{(s(y), s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\{(s(y), s(x))\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\{(y, x)\}\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\{\emptyset\}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \{\top_{pp}\} \\ &\Rightarrow \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

# Properties

## Theorem

- whenever  $\{pp\} \Rightarrow^* \emptyset$  then  $pp$  is solvable
- whenever  $\{pp\} \Rightarrow^* \perp_P$  then  $pp$  is not solvable
- $\Rightarrow$  is terminating
- whenever  $pp$  is linear then normal forms of  $\{pp\}$  w.r.t.  $\Rightarrow$  are either  $\emptyset$  or  $\perp_P$

# The General Case

- $\Rightarrow$  might get stuck on non-linear inputs
- example: consider TRS with lhss  $\{f(x, x, y), f(x, y, x), f(y, x, x)\}$
- $\{\{\{(f(x_1, x_2, x_3), f(x, x, y))\}, \{(f(x_1, x_2, x_3), f(x, y, x))\}, \{(f(x_1, x_2, x_3), f(y, x, x))\}\}\}$   
 $\Rightarrow^* \{\{\{(x_1, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(x_1, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\}$
- general case requires three more rules

$\{(t, x), (t', x)\} \uplus mp \rightarrow \perp_{mp}$  if  $t|_p = f(\dots) \neq g(\dots) = t'|_p$  (clash')

$\{pp\} \uplus P \Rightarrow \{pp[x/c(x\vec{s})] \mid c \in \mathcal{C}_\tau\} \cup P$  (instantiate')

if  $mp \in pp$ ,  $\{(t, y), (t', y)\} \subseteq mp$ ,  $t|_p = x \neq t'|_p$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{V}_\tau$ , and  $\tau$  is finite

$\{pp\} \uplus P \Rightarrow \perp_p$  if for each  $mp \in pp$  there are  $\{(t, y), (t', y)\} \subseteq mp$  (failure')

such that  $t|_p = x \neq t'|_p$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{V}_\tau$  and  $\tau$  is infinite

- $\Rightarrow$  is still terminating; moreover  $pp$  is solvable iff  $\{pp\} \Rightarrow^* \emptyset$

# Example

- assume  $x_1, x_2, x_3 : \text{Num}$ , i.e., infinite sort

$$\{\{\{(x_1, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(x_1, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\} \Rightarrow \perp_P$$

- assume  $x_1, x_2, x_3 : \text{Bool}$ , i.e., finite sort

$$\begin{aligned} & \{\{\{(x_1, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(x_1, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\} \\ \Rightarrow & \{\{\{(\text{true}, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(\text{true}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}, \\ & \{\{(\text{false}, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(\text{false}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\} \\ \Rightarrow & \{\{\{(\text{true}, x)\}, \{(\text{true}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(\text{true}, x), (x_3, x)\}\}, \\ & \{\{(\text{true}, x), (\text{false}, x)\}, \{(\text{true}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(\text{false}, x), (x_3, x)\}\}, \\ & \{\{(\text{false}, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(\text{false}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\} \\ \Rightarrow^* & \{\{\{(\text{true}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(\text{false}, x), (x_3, x)\}\}, \\ & \{\{(\text{false}, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(\text{false}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\} \\ \Rightarrow^* & \{\{\{(\text{false}, x), (x_2, x)\}, \{(\text{false}, x), (x_3, x)\}, \{(x_2, x), (x_3, x)\}\}\} \Rightarrow^* \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

## Proof of Termination.

- part 1: (instantiate) rule: instantiate  $(x, f(\dots))$  by all  $[x/c(\vec{xS})]$  for all  $c \in \mathcal{C}$ 
  - define difference measure  $|t - \ell|$  for term pairs  $(t, \ell)$  of matching problems
    - $|x - \ell|$  is the number of function symbols in  $\ell$ ,
    - $|f(t_1, \dots, t_n) - f(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n)| = \sum_{i=1}^n |t_i - \ell_i|$ , and
    - $|t - \ell| = 0$  in all other cases.
  - define  $|pp| = \sum_{mp \in pp, (t, \ell) \in mp} |t - \ell|$
  - define  $P \succ P'$  as  $\{|pp| \mid pp \in P\} >^{mul} \{|pp| \mid pp \in P'\}$
  - whenever  $P \Rightarrow P'$  then  $P \succeq P'$ , and  $P \succ P'$  for (instantiate)
- part 2: (instantiate') rule: instantiate  $\{(t, y), (t', y)\}$  by all  $[x/c(\vec{xS})]$  if  $t|_p = x \neq t'|_p$  if sort of  $x$  is finite
  - define  $|x|$  as maximal size of term of (finite) sort of  $x$
  - define  $|pp| = \sum_{x \in mp, \text{sort of } x \text{ is finite}} |x|$
  - define  $P \succ P'$  as  $\{|pp| \mid pp \in P\} >^{mul} \{|pp| \mid pp \in P'\}$
  - whenever  $P \Rightarrow P'$  (except instantiate) then  $P \succeq P'$ , and  $P \succ P'$  for (instantiate')
- part 3: remaining rules are trivially terminating

□

# Auxiliary Algorithms

- technical precondition of decision procedure: each sort must be inhabited by constructor ground term
- figure out whether sorts are inhabited by constructor ground terms  
⇒ easy marking algorithm to detect **inhabited sorts**
  - whenever  $c : \sigma_1 \times \dots \times \sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma \in \mathcal{C}$  and all  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$  are marked, then mark  $\sigma$
  - iterate until no new sorts are marked
  - finally, sort  $\sigma$  is marked iff  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{C})_\sigma \neq \emptyset$
- tried adjustment to detect **infinite sorts**, by marking recursive constructors  
⇒ not successful, e.g., consider mutually recursive sorts  
⇒ perhaps encode as lasso problem in graph
- however, simple marking algorithm is successful by marking **finite sorts**
  - whenever  $c : \sigma_1 \times \dots \times \sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma \in \mathcal{C}$  and all  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$  are marked for all  $c \in \mathcal{C}_\sigma$ , then mark  $\sigma$
  - iterate until no new sorts are marked
  - finally, sort  $\sigma$  is marked iff  $|\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{C})_\sigma| < \infty$



# Experimental Results

- see demo

# Summary

- history of CeTA, including new developments in 2022 and 2023
- small certificates for joins via greedy partitioning algorithm
- novel decision procedure for pattern completeness
  - verified in Isabelle
  - based on IsaFoR and Yamada's library on sorted terms
  - 2,800 lines: main algorithm
  - 385 lines: checking that sorts are inhabited + decide whether sort is infinite
- future work in Isabelle/HOL (with Dohan and Akihisa):  
verify rewriting induction rules in sorted setting for certifying ground confluence proofs of AGCP

Questions?



# ISR 2024 – 14th International School on Rewriting

- August 25 – September 1, 2024, Obergurgl, Austria
- three tracks
  - (A) introductory course to first-order term rewriting
  - (B) introductory course to lambda-calculus and type theory
  - (C) advanced courses on recent developments and applications
- lecturers
  - Aart Middeldorp (A)
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  - Ugo Dal Lago (C)
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