

## Advanced Topics in Termination

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### Topics

- polynomial interpretations
- matrix interpretations
- dependency pairs
- **match-bounds**
- **semantic labeling**
- derivational complexity
- decidable classes
- certification
- applications

### Further Reading

- <http://cl-informatik.uibk.ac.at/~ami/09isr/>

## Puzzle

$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{E}}$ -compatible reduction pair  $(>, \gtrsim)$

$$(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{R}) \mapsto \begin{cases} \{(\mathcal{P} \setminus >, \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{R}))\} & \text{if } \mathcal{P} \subseteq > \cup \gtrsim \text{ and } \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{R}) \subseteq \gtrsim \\ \{(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{R})\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is this DP processor sound ?

## Solution

no ...

- $\mathcal{R}$        $f(a, b, x) \rightarrow f(x, x, x)$        $g(x, y) \rightarrow x$        $g(x, y) \rightarrow y$
- $\mathcal{P}$        $F(a, b, x) \rightarrow F(x, x, x)$

## Match-Bounds

## Outline

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## Definition

TRS  $\mathcal{S}$  over signature  $\mathcal{G}$  is **enrichment** of TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  if  $\exists$  mappings

- lift :  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{V})$
- base :  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{V}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$

such that

- 1 base(lift( $t$ )) =  $t$  for all terms  $t \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$
- 2 if  $t_1 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} t_2$  and base( $u_1$ ) =  $t_1$  then  $u_1 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}} u_2$  with base( $u_2$ ) =  $t_2$

## Lemma

*enrichment  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\mathcal{R}$  is terminating  $\implies \mathcal{R}$  is terminating*

## Definition

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is **locally terminating** if every restriction of  $\mathcal{R}$  to finite signature  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  is terminating

## Definitions

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$      $L \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F})$

- $(\xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}})^*(L) = \{u \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}) \mid t \xrightarrow[\mathcal{R}]^* u \text{ for some } t \in L\}$
- $\mathcal{R}$  is **compact** for  $L$  if  $(\xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}})^*(L) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{G})$  for finite signature  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$

## Lemma

$\mathcal{R}$  is locally terminating and compact for  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}) \implies \mathcal{R}$  is terminating

## Idea

prove termination of TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  by constructing enrichment  $\mathcal{S}$  such that

- 1  $\mathcal{S}$  is locally terminating
- 2  $\mathcal{S}$  is compact for  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F})$

Definition (TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$ )

- signature  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{N}} = \{f_n \mid f \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$
- mappings  $\text{base}: \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$     $\text{height}: \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$     $\text{lift}_c: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{N}}$  for  $c \in \mathbb{N}$   

$$\text{base}(f_n) = f \quad \text{height}(f_n) = n \quad \text{lift}_c(f) = f_c$$
- TRS  $\text{match}(\mathcal{R})$  consists of all rules  $I \rightarrow \text{lift}_c(r)$  such that
  - 1  $\text{base}(I) \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}$
  - 2  $c = 1 + \min\{\text{height}(I(p)) \mid p \in \mathcal{FPoS}(I)\}$

## Example

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{R} \quad f(g(a, x), y) \rightarrow h(f(x, y)) & f_0(g_0(a_0, x), y) \rightarrow h_1(f_1(x, y)) & \text{match } (\mathcal{R}) \\ & f_0(g_0(a_1, x), y) \rightarrow h_1(f_1(x, y)) \\ & f_2(g_1(a_1, x), y) \rightarrow h_2(f_2(x, y)) \\ & f_7(g_4(a_3, x), y) \rightarrow h_4(f_4(x, y)) \\ & \dots \end{array}$$

## Lemma

$\text{match}(\mathcal{R})$  is enrichment of  $\mathcal{R}$  for every left-linear TRS  $\mathcal{R}$

## Definition

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is **match-bounded** if

$$(\xrightarrow[\text{match}(\mathcal{R})]{*})(\text{lift}_0(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}))) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}_{\{0, \dots, c\}})$$

for some  $c \in \mathbb{N}$

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### Theorem

*match( $\mathcal{R}$ ) is locally terminating for every SRS  $\mathcal{R}$*

### Corollary

*match-bounded SRSs are terminating*

### Remark

*match( $\mathcal{R}$ ) is not locally terminating for arbitrary TRSs  $\mathcal{R}$*

### Example

$$\mathcal{R} \quad f(a, x) \rightarrow f(x, x) \qquad \qquad f_1(a_0, x) \rightarrow f_1(x, x) \quad \dots \quad \text{match } (\mathcal{R})$$

## Question

how to prove match-boundedness ?

## Answer

use automata techniques

## Idea

SRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$

- 1 construct finite automaton  $\mathcal{A}$  that accepts  $\text{lift}_0(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}))$
- 2 close  $\mathcal{A}$  under rewriting with respect to match ( $\mathcal{R}$ )

## Definition

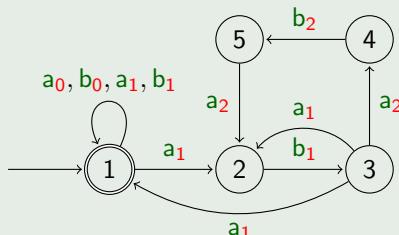
finite automaton  $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, s, F)$  is **compatible** with SRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  if

- 1  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$
- 2  $\forall I \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R} \quad \forall p, q \in Q \quad \text{if } p \xrightarrow[\mathcal{A}]{}^I q \text{ then } p \xrightarrow[\mathcal{A}]{}^r q$

## Example

rewrite rule  $a(a(x)) \rightarrow a(b(a(x)))$  match-bounded by 2

finite automaton



compatibility violations

$1 \xrightarrow{a_0} 1 \xrightarrow{a_0} 1$	$1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2 \xrightarrow{b_1} 3 \xrightarrow{a_1} 1$
$1 \xrightarrow{a_0} 1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2$	$1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2 \xrightarrow{b_1} 3 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2$
$3 \xrightarrow{a_1} 1 \xrightarrow{a_0} 1$	$3 \xrightarrow{a_1} 1 \xrightarrow{b_1} 1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 1$
$3 \xrightarrow{a_1} 1 \xrightarrow{a_1} 2$	$3 \xrightarrow{a_2} 4 \xrightarrow{b_2} 5 \xrightarrow{a_2} 2$

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## Lemma

*match( $\mathcal{R}$ ) is locally terminating for right-linear TRSs*

## Corollary

*linear match-bounded TRSs are terminating*

## Definitions

- TRS  $\text{top}(\mathcal{R})$  consists of all rules  $I \rightarrow \text{lift}_c(r)$  such that
  - 1  $\text{base}(I) \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}$
  - 2  $c = 1 + \text{height}(I(\epsilon))$
- TRS  $\text{roof}(\mathcal{R})$  consists of all rules  $I \rightarrow \text{lift}_c(r)$  such that
  - 1  $\text{base}(I) \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}$
  - 2  $c = 1 + \min\{\text{height}(I(p)) \mid p \in \mathcal{RPos}_{\mathcal{V}\text{ar}(r)}(I)\}$
- $\mathcal{RPos}_V(t) = \{p \in \mathcal{FPos}(t) \mid V \subseteq \mathcal{V}\text{ar}(t|_p)\}$

**Example**

$$\mathcal{R} \quad f(g(x, y), a) \rightarrow h(f(x, y))$$

$$f_0(g_0(x, y), a_0) \rightarrow h_1(f_1(x, y)) \quad \text{roof}(\mathcal{R})$$

$$f_0(g_0(x, y), a_1) \rightarrow h_1(f_1(x, y))$$

$$f_2(g_1(x, y), a_1) \rightarrow h_3(f_3(x, y))$$

$$f_7(g_4(x, y), a_3) \rightarrow h_5(f_5(x, y))$$

...

**Lemma**

- $\text{top}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $\text{roof}(\mathcal{R})$  are locally terminating
- $\text{top}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $\text{roof}(\mathcal{R})$  are enrichments of *left-linear*  $\mathcal{R}$

**Definition**

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is **top-bounded** if

$$(\xrightarrow[\text{top}(\mathcal{R})]{*})(\text{lift}_0(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}))) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}_{\{0, \dots, c\}})$$

for some  $c \in \mathbb{N}$

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is **roof-bounded** if

$$(\xrightarrow[\text{roof}(\mathcal{R})]{*})(\text{lift}_0(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}))) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}_{\{0, \dots, c\}})$$

for some  $c \in \mathbb{N}$

**Corollary**

*left-linear* top-bounded and roof-bounded TRSs are terminating

**Lemma**

top-boundedness  $\implies$  roof-boundedness  $\implies$  match-boundedness

## Example

rewrite rule  $f(f(x, a), a) \rightarrow f(x, f(x, a))$  roof-bounded by 1

not top-bounded

$$\bullet \quad t_n = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n = 0 \\ f(t_{n-1}, a) & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\bullet \quad \forall n \geq 0 \quad t_{n+2} = f(f(t_n, a), a) \rightarrow^{n+1} f(t_n, f(t_{n-1}, \dots, f(a, a) \dots))$$

tree automaton

$a_0$	$\rightarrow$	0	compatibility violations
$f_0(0, 0)$	$\rightarrow$	0	$f_0(f_0(0, a_0), a_0) \rightarrow^* 0 \quad f_1(0, f_1(0, a_1)) \rightarrow^* 0$
$a_1$	$\rightarrow$	1	
$f_1(0, 1)$	$\rightarrow$	2	$f_1(f_0(0, a_0), a_1) \rightarrow^* 2 \quad f_1(0, f_1(0, a_1)) \rightarrow^* 2$
$f_1(0, 2)$	$\rightarrow$	0	
$f_1(0, 2)$	$\rightarrow$	2	

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## Definition

$\text{RFC}(\mathcal{R})$  is least extension of  $\text{rhs}(\mathcal{R})$  closed under **narrowing**:

$t[r]_p\sigma \in \text{RFC}(\mathcal{R})$  whenever  $t \in \text{RFC}(\mathcal{R})$  and  $\exists p \in \mathcal{F}\mathcal{P}\text{os}(t) \exists I \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}$   
such that  $\sigma$  is mgu of  $t|_p$  and  $I$

## Theorem

right-linear TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  is terminating  $\iff \mathcal{R}$  is terminating on  $\text{RFC}(\mathcal{R})$

## Definition

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is **RFC-match-bounded** if

$$\left( \xrightarrow[\text{match}(\mathcal{R})]{*} \right)(\text{lift}_0(\text{RFC}(\mathcal{R})\sigma_{\#})) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}_{\{0, \dots, c\}})$$

for some  $c \in \mathbb{N}$

## Notation

$\sigma_{\#}$  maps all variables to fresh constant  $\#$

## Definition

$\mathcal{R}_{\#}$  is least extension of  $\mathcal{R}$  such that  $I[\#]_p \rightarrow r\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_{\#}$  whenever  $\exists I \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}_{\#}$   
 $\exists p \in \mathcal{F}\mathcal{P}\text{os}(I) \setminus \{\epsilon\}$  with

$$\sigma(x) = \begin{cases} \# & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{V}\text{ar}(I|_p) \\ x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Theorem

$\text{RFC}(\mathcal{R})\sigma_{\#} = \left( \xrightarrow[\mathcal{R}_{\#}]{*} \right)(\text{rhs}(\mathcal{R})\sigma_{\#})$  for linear TRSs  $\mathcal{R}$

## Example

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \mathcal{R} \quad f(f(x, a), a) \rightarrow f(x, f(x, a)) & f(f(x, a), a) \rightarrow f(x, f(x, a)) \quad \mathcal{R}_\# \\
 & f(f(x, \#), a) \rightarrow f(x, f(x, a)) \\
 & f(f(x, a), \#) \rightarrow f(x, f(x, a)) \\
 & f(f(x, \#), \#) \rightarrow f(x, f(x, a)) \\
 & \quad f(\#, a) \rightarrow f(\#, f(\#, a)) \\
 & f(\#, \#) \rightarrow f(\#, f(\#, a))
 \end{array}$$

## Extensions

- efficient exact construction of  $(\xrightarrow[\text{match}(\mathcal{R})]{*})(\text{lift}_0(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F})))$  for SRSs
- extension to non-left-linear TRSs using quasi-deterministic automata
- DP processors based on bounds

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## Definitions (TRS $\mathcal{R}$ over signature $\mathcal{F}$ )

- **semantics**

- $\mathcal{F}$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A} = (A, \{f_{\mathcal{A}}\}_{f \in \mathcal{F}})$

- **labeling**

- sets of labels  $L_f \subseteq A$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}$
- labeling functions  $\ell_f: A^n \rightarrow L_f$  for every  $n$ -ary  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $L_f \neq \emptyset$

- labeling of terms (for every assignment  $\alpha: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow A$ )

$$\text{lab}_{\alpha}(t) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } t \in \mathcal{V} \\ f(\text{lab}_{\alpha}(t_1), \dots, \text{lab}_{\alpha}(t_n)) & \text{if } t = f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \text{ and } L_f = \emptyset \\ f_{\textcolor{red}{a}}(\text{lab}_{\alpha}(t_1), \dots, \text{lab}_{\alpha}(t_n)) & \text{if } t = f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \text{ and } L_f \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

with  $\textcolor{red}{a} = \ell_f([\alpha]_{\mathcal{A}}(t_1), \dots, [\alpha]_{\mathcal{A}}(t_n))$

- labeled TRS

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} = \{ \text{lab}_{\alpha}(l) \rightarrow \text{lab}_{\alpha}(r) \mid l \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R} \text{ and } \alpha: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow A \}$$

## Example

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}$

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

- algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is **model** of  $\mathcal{R}$

$$A = \{0, 1\} \quad \textcolor{green}{a}_{\mathcal{A}} = 0 \quad \textcolor{green}{b}_{\mathcal{A}} = 1 \quad f_{\mathcal{A}}(x, y, z) = 0$$

- labeling  $\ell$

$$L_a = L_b = \emptyset \quad L_f = A \quad \ell_f(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}}$

$$\textcolor{red}{f}_1(a, b, x) \rightarrow \textcolor{red}{f}_0(x, x, x)$$

is terminating because it lacks dependency pairs

**Theorem**

*TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is terminating if*

- $\exists$  algebra  $\mathcal{A} = (A, \{f_{\mathcal{A}}\}_{f \in \mathcal{F}})$
- $\exists$  labeling  $\ell$

*such that*

- 1  $\mathcal{R} \subseteq =_{\mathcal{A}}$      " $\mathcal{A}$  is model of  $\mathcal{R}$ "
- 2  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}}$  is terminating

**Theorem (rephrased)**

*TRS  $\mathcal{R}$ , model  $\mathcal{A}$ , labeling  $\ell$  (semantic labeling is **sound** and **complete**)*

$$\mathcal{R} \text{ is terminating} \iff \mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} \text{ is terminating}$$

**Example**

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}$

$$f(a, b, x) \rightarrow f(x, x, x) \quad a \rightarrow c \quad b \rightarrow c \quad f(x, y, z) \rightarrow c$$

- weakly monotone algebra  $\mathcal{A}$

$$A = \{0, 1, 2\} \quad 2 > 0 \quad 1 > 0 \quad a_{\mathcal{A}} = 1 \quad b_{\mathcal{A}} = 2 \quad c_{\mathcal{A}} = f_{\mathcal{A}}(x, y, z) = 0$$

- weakly monotone labeling  $\ell$

$$L_a = L_b = L_c = \emptyset \quad L_f = \{0, 1\} \quad \ell_f(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 2 \\ 0 & \text{if otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} \cup \mathcal{D}_{\text{ec}}$

$$\begin{array}{llll} f_1(a, b, x) \rightarrow f_0(x, x, x) & a \rightarrow c & b \rightarrow c & f_0(x, y, z) \rightarrow c \\ f_1(x, y, z) \rightarrow f_0(x, y, z) & & & f_1(x, y, z) \rightarrow c \end{array}$$

is terminating because dependency graph lacks SCCs

## Definitions

- weakly monotone  $\mathcal{F}$ -algebra  $(\mathcal{A}, >, \geq)$  with  $\mathcal{A} = (A, \{f_{\mathcal{A}}\}_{f \in \mathcal{F}})$  and  $\geq = >^=$
- weakly monotone labeling functions  $\ell_f: A^n \rightarrow L_f$  for every  $n$ -ary  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $L_f \neq \emptyset$
- $\mathcal{D}\text{ec} = \{ f_{\textcolor{red}{a}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow f_{\textcolor{red}{b}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid a, b \in L_f \text{ with } a > b \}$

## Theorem

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  over signature  $\mathcal{F}$  is terminating if

- $\exists$  weakly monotone algebra  $(\mathcal{A}, >, \geq)$
- $\exists$  weakly monotone labeling  $\ell$

such that

- $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \geq_{\mathcal{A}}$      "  $\mathcal{A}$  is quasi-model of  $\mathcal{R}$  "
- $\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} \cup \mathcal{D}\text{ec}$  is terminating

## Example

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}$

$$f(a, b, x) \rightarrow f(x, x, x) \quad a \rightarrow c \quad b \rightarrow c \quad f(x, y, z) \rightarrow c$$

- weakly monotone algebra  $\mathcal{A}$

$$A = \{0, 1, 2\} \quad 2 > 0 \quad 1 > 0 \quad a_{\mathcal{A}} = 1 \quad b_{\mathcal{A}} = 2 \quad c_{\mathcal{A}} = f_{\mathcal{A}}(x, y, z) = 0$$

- weakly monotone labeling  $\ell$

$$L_a = L_b = L_c = \emptyset \quad L_f = \{0, 1\} \quad \ell_f(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 2 \\ 0 & \text{if otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} \cup \mathcal{D}\text{ec}$

$$\begin{array}{llll} f_1(a, b, x) \rightarrow f_0(x, x, x) & a \rightarrow c & b \rightarrow c & f_0(x, y, z) \rightarrow c \\ f_1(x, y, z) \rightarrow f_0(x, y, z) & & & f_1(x, y, z) \rightarrow c \end{array}$$

is terminating because dependency graph lacks SCCs

## Theorem (rephrased)

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$ , quasi-model  $\mathcal{A}$ , weakly monotone labeling  $\ell$

$$\mathcal{R} \text{ is terminating} \iff \mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} \text{ is terminating}$$

## Example

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \lambda(x) \circ y \rightarrow \lambda(x \circ (1 \star (y \circ \uparrow))) & \text{id} \circ x \rightarrow x & 1 \circ (x \star y) \rightarrow x \\ (x \star y) \circ z \rightarrow (x \circ z) \star (y \circ z) & 1 \circ \text{id} \rightarrow 1 & \uparrow \circ (x \star y) \rightarrow y \\ (x \circ y) \circ z \rightarrow x \circ (y \circ z) & \uparrow \circ \text{id} \rightarrow \uparrow & \end{array}$$

- weakly monotone algebra  $\mathcal{A}$

- carrier  $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{N}$  with standard order  $>$
- interpretations

$$\begin{array}{ll} \lambda_{\mathcal{A}}(x) = x + 1 & \circ_{\mathcal{A}}(x, y) = x + y \\ \star_{\mathcal{A}}(x, y) = \max(x, y) & 1_{\mathcal{A}} = \uparrow_{\mathcal{A}} = \text{id}_{\mathcal{A}} = 0 \end{array}$$

## Example (cont'd)

- weakly monotone labeling  $\ell$

$$L_{\lambda} = L_{\star} = L_1 = L_{\uparrow} = \emptyset \quad L_{\circ} = \mathbb{N} \quad \ell_{\circ}(x, y) = x + y$$

- TRS  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{lab}} \cup \mathcal{D}_{\text{ec}}$   $\forall i, j, k \geq 0 \quad \forall l > m \geq 0$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \lambda(x) \circ_{i+j+1} y \rightarrow \lambda(x \circ_{i+j} (1 \star (y \circ_j \uparrow))) & \\ (x \star y) \circ_{\max(i, j)+k} z \rightarrow (x \circ_{i+k} z) \star (y \circ_{j+k} z) & \\ (x \circ_{i+j} y) \circ_{i+j+k} z \rightarrow x \circ_{i+j+k} (y \circ_{j+k} z) & \\ \text{id} \circ_i x \rightarrow x & 1 \circ_{\max(i, j)} (x \star y) \rightarrow x \\ 1 \circ_0 \text{id} \rightarrow 1 & \uparrow \circ_{\max(i, j)} (x \star y) \rightarrow y \\ \uparrow \circ_0 \text{id} \rightarrow \uparrow & x \circ_l y \rightarrow x \circ_m y \end{array}$$

- LPO with precedence

$$\dots > \circ_2 > \circ_1 > \circ_0 > \star, \lambda, 1, \uparrow$$

## Extensions

- quasi-model condition required for usable rules only (**predictive** labeling)
- incorporation of argument filters
- DP processors based on semantic labeling

## Questions

- how to choose (quasi-)model ?
- how to choose labeling ?

## Answers

- ...
- **root-labeling**

## Definition

- algebra  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}}$ 
  - $A_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{F}$
  - $f_{\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f \quad \forall n\text{-ary } f \in \mathcal{F}$
- labeling
  - $L_f = \mathcal{F}^n$
  - $\ell_f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$

## Example

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{R} & a(b(x)) \rightarrow c(x) & a_b(b_a(x)) \rightarrow c_a(x) \quad \mathcal{R}_{rlab} \\ & & a_b(b_b(x)) \rightarrow c_b(x) \\ & & a_b(b_c(x)) \rightarrow c_c(x) \end{array}$$

## Problem

no model:  $\forall \alpha \quad [\alpha](a(b(x))) = a \neq c = [\alpha](c(x))$

## Definitions (TRS $\mathcal{R}$ over signature $\mathcal{F}$ )

- root-preserving rules

$$\mathcal{R}_p = \{ I \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R} \mid \text{root}(I) = \text{root}(r) \}$$

- root-altering rules

$$\mathcal{R}_a = \{ I \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R} \mid \text{root}(I) \neq \text{root}(r) \}$$

- flat contexts

$$\mathcal{FC} = \{ g(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, \square, x_i, \dots, x_n) \mid g \in \mathcal{F} \text{ has arity } n \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq n \}$$

- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R}) = \mathcal{R}_p \cup \{ C[I] \rightarrow C[r] \mid I \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}_a \text{ and } C \in \mathcal{FC} \}$

## Lemma

- $\mathcal{R}$  is terminating if and only if  $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})$  is terminating
- $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}}$  is model of  $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})$

## Example

$\mathcal{R}$	$a(b(x)) \rightarrow c(x)$	
$\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})$	$a(a(b(x))) \rightarrow a(c(x))$	$a(\square)$
	$b(a(b(x))) \rightarrow b(c(x))$	$b(\square)$
	$c(a(b(x))) \rightarrow c(c(x))$	$c(\square)$
$\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})_{rlab}$		
	$a_a(a_b(b_a(x))) \rightarrow a_c(c_a(x))$	
	$a_a(a_b(b_b(x))) \rightarrow a_c(c_b(x))$	
	$a_a(a_b(b_c(x))) \rightarrow a_c(c_c(x))$	
	$b_a(a_b(b_a(x))) \rightarrow b_c(c_a(x))$	
	$b_a(a_b(b_b(x))) \rightarrow b_c(c_b(x))$	
	$b_a(a_b(b_c(x))) \rightarrow b_c(c_c(x))$	
	$c_a(a_b(b_a(x))) \rightarrow c_c(c_a(x))$	
	$c_a(a_b(b_b(x))) \rightarrow c_c(c_b(x))$	
	$c_a(a_b(b_c(x))) \rightarrow c_c(c_c(x))$	

## Corollary

$\mathcal{R}$  is terminating if and only if  $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})_{rlab}$  is terminating

### Example (1)

- $\mathcal{R}$        $f(a, b, x) \rightarrow f(x, x, x)$
- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R}) = \mathcal{R}$
- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})_{rlab}$ 
  - $f_{(a,b,a)}(a, b, x) \rightarrow f_{(a,a,a)}(x, x, x)$
  - $f_{(a,b,b)}(a, b, x) \rightarrow f_{(b,b,b)}(x, x, x)$
  - $f_{(a,b,f)}(a, b, x) \rightarrow f_{(f,f,f)}(x, x, x)$
- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})_{rlab}$  is terminating because it lacks dependency pairs

### Example (2)

- $\mathcal{R}$        $f(f(x)) \rightarrow f(g(f(x)))$
- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R}) = \mathcal{R}$
- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})_{rlab}$ 
  - $f_f(f_f(x)) \rightarrow f_g(g_f(f_f(x)))$
  - $f_f(f_g(x)) \rightarrow f_g(g_f(f_g(x)))$
- $\mathcal{FC}(\mathcal{R})_{rlab}$  is polynomially terminating over  $\mathbb{N}$

# Outline

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- Further Reading

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