

# Automating Ordinal Interpretations

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# Overview

- Algebras
- Ordinals
- Ordinal Interpretations
- Implementation and Evaluation
- Conclusion

## Definition

**well-founded monotone** algebra  $(\mathcal{A}, >)$  for signature  $\mathcal{F}$  has

- carrier  $A$
- interpretation  $f_{\mathcal{A}}$  for each  $f \in \mathcal{F}$
- $a > b$  implies  $f_{\mathcal{A}}(\dots, a, \dots) > f_{\mathcal{A}}(\dots, b, \dots)$  for each  $f \in \mathcal{F}$
- $>$  well-founded

## Definition

$s >_{\mathcal{A}} t$  if  $\alpha_{\mathcal{A}}[s] > \alpha_{\mathcal{A}}[t]$  for all assignments  $\alpha$

## Example

polynomial interpretations, matrix interpretations, arctic interpretations, (match-bounds)

## Theorem

TRS terminating if compatible with well-founded monotone algebra

## Definition

TRS  $\mathcal{R}$  compatible with algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  if  $l >_{\mathcal{A}} r$  for every  $l \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{R}$

## (Polynomial) Interpretations

		$f(x) \rightarrow g(x, x)$	
$f_{\mathbb{N}}(x) = 2x + 1$	$g_{\mathbb{N}}(x, y) = x + y$	$2x + 1 > 2x$	✓
$f_{\mathbb{N}}(x) = x + 1$	$g_{\mathbb{N}}(x, y) = x - y$	$x + 1 > 0$	✗
$f_{\mathbb{N}}(x) = x + 1$	$g_{\mathbb{N}}(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$	$x + 1 > x$	✗
$f_{\mathbb{N}}(x) = x + 1$	$g_{\mathbb{N}}(x, y) = \min\{x, y\}$	$x + 1 > x$	✗

## Theorem

*TRS terminating if compatible with well-founded weakly-monotone simple algebra*

## Definition

*simple*  $f_A(\dots, a, \dots) \geq a$

*weakly-monotone*  $a > b$  implies  $f(\dots, a, \dots) \geq f(\dots, b, \dots)$

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## Remark

*Arctic / Quasi-periodic / Ordinal Interpretations are weakly-monotone*

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## Definition

**ordinal** is set  $\alpha$  such that

- 1  $\alpha$  is totally ordered with respect to membership
- 2 every element of  $\alpha$  is subset of  $\alpha$

## Example

$\emptyset$	☺	0
$\{\emptyset\}$	☺	1
$\{\{\emptyset\}\}$	☹	
$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$	☺	2
$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$	☺	3
$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \dots\}\}\}\}\}\}\}$	☺	$\omega$
$\omega \cup \{\omega\}$	☺	$\omega + 1$

## Lemma

*ordinal  $\alpha$  is either*

- $\beta \cup \{\beta\} = \beta + 1$       *successor ordinal*
- $\bigcup \alpha$       *limit ordinal*

## Definition (Addition)

- 1  $\alpha + 0 = \alpha$
- 2  $\alpha + (\beta + 1) = (\alpha + \beta) + 1$
- 3  $\alpha + \beta = \bigcup_{\xi < \beta} (\alpha + \xi)$  for all limit ordinals  $\beta > 0$

## Example

$$1 + \omega = \bigcup_{\xi < \omega} 1 + \xi = \omega \neq \omega + 1$$



## Definition (Multiplication)

- 1  $\alpha \cdot 0 = 0$
- 2  $\alpha \cdot (\beta + 1) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) + \alpha$
- 3  $\alpha \cdot \beta = \bigcup_{\xi < \beta} \alpha \cdot \xi$  for all limit ordinals  $\beta > 0$

## Example

$$2 \cdot \omega = \bigcup_{\xi < \omega} 2 \cdot \xi = \omega \neq \omega + \omega = \omega \cdot 2$$

## Definition (Exponentiation)

- 1  $\alpha^0 = \alpha$
- 2  $\alpha^{\beta+1} = \alpha^\beta \cdot \alpha$
- 3  $\alpha^\beta = \bigcup_{\xi < \beta} \alpha^\xi$  for all limit ordinals  $\beta > 0$

## Definition

$$\epsilon_0 = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \alpha_n \text{ where } \alpha_0 = \omega \text{ and } \alpha_{n+1} = \omega^{\alpha_n}$$

## Remark

$\epsilon_0$  is least ordinal  $\epsilon$  such that  $\omega^\epsilon = \epsilon$

$$\epsilon_0 = \omega^{\omega^{\omega^{\omega^{\dots}}}}$$

## Remark

*addition is weakly monotone but not monotone:*

$$1 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 1 + \omega \not\geq 0 + \omega$$

## Theorem (Cantor Normal Form)

*every ordinal  $\alpha < \epsilon_0$  can be uniquely written as*

$$\alpha = \omega^{\alpha_1} \cdot k_1 + \dots + \omega^{\alpha_n} \cdot k_n$$

*such that  $\alpha > \alpha_1 \geq \dots \geq \alpha_n$  and  $k_1, \dots, k_n$  are natural numbers  $\neq 0$*

## Notation

$O$  is set of ordinals smaller than  $\epsilon_0$

$$O = \epsilon_0$$

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## Definition

algebra  $\mathcal{O}$

- carrier  $O$
- every  $f_{\mathcal{O}}$  is *polynomial*
- standard order  $>$

## Example

- $4 > 3$  ✓
- $\omega > 3$  ✓
- $\omega + 1 > \omega$  ✓
- $1 + \omega \not> \omega$  ✗
- $\omega + 1 > 1 + \omega$  ✓
- $\omega \cdot 2 > 2 \cdot \omega$  ✓

Example ( $\mathcal{R}_1$ )

$$ab \rightarrow baa$$

$$a_{\mathcal{O}}(x) = x + 1$$

$$x + \omega + 1 > x + \omega = x + 1 + 1 + \omega$$

$$b \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$b_{\mathcal{O}}(x) = x + \omega$$

$$x + \omega > x$$

Note:  $ab^n \rightarrow^* a^{2^n}$

Example ( $\mathcal{R}_2$ )

$$ab \rightarrow baa$$

$$b \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$bc \rightarrow cbb$$

$$c \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$a_{\mathcal{O}}(x) = x + 1$$

$$b_{\mathcal{O}}(x) = x + \omega$$

$$c_{\mathcal{O}}(x) = x + \omega^2$$

$$x + \omega + 1 > x + \omega \quad x + \omega > x \quad x + \omega^2 + \omega > x + \omega^2 \quad x + \omega^2 > x$$

Note:  $abc^n \rightarrow^* a^{2^{2^n}}$

Definition ( $\mathcal{R}_m$ )

$$a_i a_{i+1} \rightarrow a_{i+1} a_i \quad a_{i+1} \rightarrow \epsilon \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

## Lemma

$$a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{m-1} a_m^n \xrightarrow{*}_{\mathcal{R}_m} a_0^{2^{2^{\cdots 2^n}}} \quad (\text{tower of 2's has height } m)$$

Definition (linear ordinal interpretation of degree  $d$ )

$$a_{\mathcal{O}}(x) = xa' + \omega^d a_d + \omega^{d-1} a_{d-1} + \cdots + \omega a_1 + a_0$$

with  $a', a_d, \dots, a_0 \in \mathbb{N}$

## Lemma

*For every  $\mathcal{R}_m$  with  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists a compatible linear ordinal interpretation of degree  $m$  but not of degree  $m - 1$*

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## polynomials using ordinals below $\omega^\omega$ (for SRSs)

canonical form ( $f', f_d, \dots, f_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ )

$$f_O(x) = xf' + \omega^d f_d + \dots + \omega^1 f_1 + f_0$$

### Example

- encoding  $a(b(x))$  with  $d = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & (xb' + \omega b_1 + b_0)a' + \omega a_1 + a_0 \\ &= xb'a' + \omega b_1 a' + b_0 a' + \omega a_1 + a_0 \\ &= xb'a' + \omega(b_1 a' + a_1) + (a_1 > 0 ? 0 : b_0 a') + a_0 \end{aligned}$$

- compatibility  $xl' + \omega l_1 + l_0 > xr' + \omega r_1 + r_0$

$$l' \geq r' \wedge (l_1 > r_1 \vee (l_1 = r_1 \wedge l_0 > r_0))$$

- simplicity/weak-monotonicity

$$f' \geq 1$$

## 720 SRSs from TPDB 7.0.2

2 bits for  $f'$ ,  $f_d, \dots, f_0$ , 5 bits for intermediate results

method	yes	time (avg)	timeout (60s)
linear interpretations ( $\mathbb{N}$ )	6	0.5	0
linear ordinal interpretations (O, degree 1)	27	0.7	0
linear ordinal interpretations (O, degree 2)	29	1.1	0
linear ordinal interpretations (O, degree 3)	29	1.4	0

4 bits for  $f'$ ,  $f_d, \dots, f_0$ , 8 bits for intermediate results

method	yes	time (avg)	timeout (60s)
linear interpretations ( $\mathbb{N}$ )	19	0.9	1
linear ordinal interpretations (O, degree 1)	40	2.5	1
linear ordinal interpretations (O, degree 2)	40	3.8	6
linear ordinal interpretations (O, degree 3)	38	2.1	21

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## Summary

- linear ordinal interpretations
- multiple exponential derivational complexity
- implementation for SRSs

## Future Work

- implementation for TRSs
- problem:  $f(x, y) \rightarrow g(y, x)$   
 compatibility  $xf_1 + yf_2 + f_0 \geq yg_1 + xg_2 + g_0$  ?  
 $f_1 \geq g_2, f_2 \geq g_1, f_0 \geq g_0$  not sufficient (e.g.  $f_2, f_1, f_0, g_2, g_1, g_0, x = 1, y = \omega$ )  
 $1 + \omega + 1 \not\geq \omega + 1 + 1$
- solution: *natural* addition/multiplication of ordinals

## Ultimate Goal

prove battle of *Hercules and Hydra* automatically