

Exercises for “Decision Procedures for Verification”
Exercise sheet 6

Exercise 6.1: (2 P)

- (1) Redundant clauses remain redundant, if the theorem prover derives new clauses and adds them to the current set of clauses. Prove:

If N and M are sets of clauses and $N \subseteq M$, then $\text{Red}(N) \subseteq \text{Red}(M)$.

- (2) Redundant clauses remain redundant, if the theorem prover deletes redundant clauses. Prove:

If N and M are sets of clauses and $M \subseteq \text{Red}(N)$, then $\text{Red}(N) \subseteq \text{Red}(N \setminus M)$.

Exercise 6.2: (2 P)

Assume $S \succ P \succ Q \succ R$. Let N be the following set of clauses:

- (1) $\neg Q \vee \neg P$
- (2) $R \vee P$
- (3) $Q \vee S$
- (4) $\neg Q \vee \neg S$

Give the definition of redundancy of a clause w.r.t. a set of clauses. Is the clause $\neg P \vee S$ redundant w.r.t. the set N above? Justify your answer.

Exercise 6.3: (2 P)

To which of the classes discussed in the lecture (the Bernays-Schönfinkel class, the Ackermann class or the monadic class) do the following formulae belong:

- (1) $\exists y \forall x ((p(x) \vee r(x, y)) \wedge q(y))$
- (2) $\forall x \exists y \forall z \exists u ((p(x) \vee q(y)) \wedge (q(y) \vee p(u)))$
- (3) $\exists z \forall x \exists y (p(x) \vee q(y)) \wedge q(z)$
- (4) $\exists x \forall y (P(x) \vee R(y)) \wedge Q(y)$

Note that they can be in more than one, or in none of the classes above.

Exercise 6.4: (7 P)

Let $\Sigma = (\{c_1/0, \dots, c_n/0, f_1/1, \dots, f_n/1\}, \Pi)$ be a signature. Consider the following classes of clauses:

- G (denoted in the lecture also $G(c_1, \dots, c_n)$) is the class of all ground clauses in the signature Σ which do not contain any occurrence of a unary function symbol.
- V (denoted in the lecture also $V(x, c_1, \dots, c_n)$) is the class of all clauses with one variable (x) in the signature Σ which do not contain any occurrence of a unary function symbol.
- G_f (denoted in the lecture also $G(c_1, \dots, c_n, f_k(c_j))$) is the class of all ground clauses in the signature Σ which contain at least one occurrence of a unary function symbol (having as argument a constant); no nested applications of unary function symbols are allowed.

Example: Assume $p/3, q/2 \in \Pi$ Then:

$$C_1 : p(c_1, c_2, c_3) \vee \neg q(c_2, c_1) \notin G_f$$

$$C_2 : q(c_1, c_2) \vee \neg q(f_1(c_3), c_4) \in G_f$$

$$C_3 : q(c_1, c_2) \vee \neg q(f_1(c_3), f_2(f_3(c_4))) \notin G_f.$$

- V_f (denoted in the lecture also $V(x, c_1, \dots, c_n, f_j(x))$) is the class of all ground clauses in the signature Σ which contain only one variable (x), at least one occurrence of a unary function symbol (having as argument the variable x), no occurrences of terms of the form $f_k(c_j)$; in addition no nested applications of unary function symbols are allowed.

Example: Assume $p/3, q/2 \in \Pi$ Then:

$$C'_1 : p(x, c_2, x) \vee \neg q(c_2, c_1) \notin G_f$$

$$C'_2 : q(x, c_2) \vee \neg q(f_1(c_3), x) \notin G_f$$

$$C'_3 : q(c_1, x) \vee \neg q(x, f_2(f_3(x))) \notin G_f \quad C'_4 : p(x, c_2, x) \vee \neg p(c_2, x, f(x)) \in G_f.$$

Consider a term ordering \succ in which $f(t) \succ t$ for every term t and terms containing function symbols of arity 1 are larger than those who do not. Consider the general ordered resolution calculus Res^\succ . Prove that in this calculus:

- (1) The resolvent of a clause in G_f and a clause in V_f is a clause in G_f of G .
- (2) The resolvent of two clauses in V_f is a clause in G, G_f, V or V_f .

Please submit your solution until Monday, December 2, 2013 at 16:00. Joint solutions prepared by up to three persons are allowed. Please do not forget to write your name on your solution.

Submission possibilities:

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