

Exercises for “Decision Procedures for Verification” Exercise sheet 4

Exercise 4.1: (2 P)

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

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

Let S be the selection function which selects $\neg R$ in clause (1) and $\neg Q$ in clause (2).

Use the ordered resolution calculus with selection $\text{Res}_S^>$ described in the lecture for checking the satisfiability of the set N of clauses.

Exercise 4.2: (2 P)

A propositional Horn clause is a clause which has at most one positive literal.

(*Example:* $\neg P \vee Q \vee \neg R$, $\neg P \vee \neg R$ and Q are Horn clauses,
whereas $\neg P \vee Q \vee R$ and $Q \vee R$ are not Horn clauses.)

Prove: Every set H of clauses with the following properties:

- (i) H consists only of Horn clauses;
- (ii) Every clause in H contains at least one negative literal;

is satisfiable.

Exercise 4.3: (5 P)

Let H be a set of propositional Horn clauses. The size of H is the number of all literals which occur in H . Prove that the resolution calculus $\text{Res}_S^>$ (or the marking algorithm discussed in the lecture “Logik für Informatiker”) can check the satisfiability of H in time polynomial in the size of H .

Supplementary question: Can you give an algorithm for check the satisfiability of H in time linear in the size of H ?

Exercise 4.4: (2 P)

Let $\Sigma = (\Omega, \Pi)$ be a signature, where $\Omega = \{f/3, g/1, a/0, b/0\}$ and $\Pi = \{p/2\}$; let X be the set of variables $\{x, y, z\}$. Which of the following expressions are terms over Σ and X , which are atoms/literals/clauses/formulae (in first-order logic with equality), which are neither?

- (a) $\neg p(g(a), f(x, y, g(a)))$
- (b) $f(x, x, x) \approx x$
- (c) $p(f(x, x, a), x) \vee p(a, b)$
- (d) $p(\neg g(x), g(y))$
- (e) $\neg p(f(x, y, y))$
- (f) $\neg p(f(x, y), y) \vee p(x, y)$
- (g) $p(a, b) \wedge p(x, y) \wedge y$
- (h) $\exists y(\neg p(f(y, y, y), y))$
- (i) $\forall x \forall y(f(p(x, y), x, x) \approx g(x))$

You will be able to solve this exercise only after the terminology is introduced in the lecture on Monday, 21.11.2016.

Exercise 4.5: (2 P)

Let $\Sigma = (S, \Omega, \Pi)$ be a many-sorted signature, where $S = \{\text{int}, \text{list}\}$, $\Omega = \{\text{cons}, \text{car}, \text{cdr}, \text{nil}, b\}$ and $\Pi = \{p\}$ with the following arities:

- $a(\text{cons}) = \text{int}, \text{list} \rightarrow \text{list}$ $a(\text{car}) = \text{list} \rightarrow \text{int}$ $a(\text{cdr}) = \text{list} \rightarrow \text{list}$
- $a(\text{nil}) = \rightarrow \text{list}$ (i.e. nil is a constant of sort list)
- $a(b) = \rightarrow \text{int}$ (i.e. b is a constant of sort int)
- $a(p) = \text{int}, \text{list}$.

Let X_{int} be the set of variables of sort int containing $\{i, j, k\}$, and let X_{list} be the set of variables of sort list containing $\{x, y, z\}$. Let $X = \{X_{\text{int}}, X_{\text{list}}\}$. Which of the following expressions are terms over Σ and X , which are atoms/literals/clauses/formulae¹, which are neither?

- (a) $\text{cons}(\text{cons}(b, \text{nil}), \text{nil})$
- (b) $\text{cons}(b, \text{cons}(b, \text{nil}))$
- (c) $\neg p(b, \text{cons}(b, \text{cons}(b, \text{nil})))$
- (d) $\neg p(\text{cons}(b, \text{nil}), \text{cons}(b, \text{cons}(b, \text{nil})))$
- (e) $\text{cons}(b, \text{cons}(b, \text{nil})) \approx_i \text{cons}(\text{cons}(x, b), \text{nil})$
- (f) $\text{cons}(i, \text{cons}(b, \text{nil})) \approx j$
- (g) $p(\neg \text{car}(x), x)$
- (h) $\neg p(\text{car}(x), x) \vee p(j, \text{cons}(j, x))$
- (i) $\neg p(b, x) \vee p(b, \text{cons}(b, x)) \vee b$
- (j) $\forall i : \text{int}, \forall x : \text{list} (\text{cons}(\text{car}(x), \text{cdr}(x)) \approx_i x)$
- (k) $\exists i : \text{int}, \forall y : \text{list} (\text{cons}(b, p(x, y)) \approx_i \text{cdr}(y))$

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¹In first-order logic with equality, where equality between terms of sort int is \approx_i and equality between terms of sort list is \approx_l .

Supplementary exercise (will be discussed in the exercise session)

Exercise 4.6: (5 P)

Let N be a set of clauses in propositional logic with the property that each clause consists of two literals. Prove that the satisfiability of N can be checked in polynomial time in the size of N .

Hint (way to a possible solution):

- How many clauses consisting of two literals (over a *finite* set of propositional variables $\Pi = \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$) exist?
- Analyze the form of possible resolution inferences from N .
- Let N be a set of clauses in propositional logic with the property that each clause consists of two literals. Show that
 - If N is satisfiable then we cannot generate from N , using the resolution calculus, both $P \vee P$ and $\neg P \vee \neg P$ for some propositional variable P .
 - If we cannot generate from N , using the resolution calculus, both $P \vee P$ and $\neg P \vee \neg P$ for some propositional variable P then N is satisfiable.
- Show that the number of inferences by resolution from N which yield different clauses is polynomial in the size of N and in the size of Π . Infer that the satisfiability of N can be checked in polynomial time in the size of N .

Please submit your solution until Wednesday, November 23, 2014 at 12:00. Joint solutions prepared by up to three persons are allowed. Please do not forget to write your name on your solution.

Submission possibilities:

- By e-mail to `sofronie@uni-koblenz.de` with the keyword “Homework DP” in the subject.
- Put it in the box in front of Room B 222.