



Reducing Confluence of LCTRSs to Confluence of TRSs

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sum computes $\sum_{i=1}^n i$ for natural number n

Term Rewrite System (TRS)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum}(x) &\rightarrow \text{sum2}(\text{geq}(0, x), x) \\ \text{sum2}(\text{true}, x) &\rightarrow 0 \\ \text{sum2}(\text{false}, s(x)) &\rightarrow \text{plus}(s(x), \text{sum}(x)) \\ \text{plus}(s(x), y) &\rightarrow s(\text{plus}(x, y)) \\ \text{plus}(p(x), y) &\rightarrow p(\text{plus}(x, y)) \\ \text{plus}(0, y) &\rightarrow y \\ s(p(x)) &\rightarrow x \\ p(s(x)) &\rightarrow x \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} \text{geq}(x, y) &\rightarrow \text{geq2}(x, y, 0, 0) \\ \text{geq2}(s(x), y, z, u) &\rightarrow \text{geq2}(x, y, s(z), u) \\ \text{geq2}(p(x), y, z, u) &\rightarrow \text{geq2}(x, y, z, s(u)) \\ \text{geq2}(0, s(x), y, z) &\rightarrow \text{geq2}(0, x, y, s(z)) \\ \text{geq2}(0, p(x), y, z) &\rightarrow \text{geq2}(0, x, s(y), z) \\ \text{geq2}(0, 0, s(x), s(y)) &\rightarrow \text{geq2}(0, 0, x, y) \\ \text{geq2}(0, 0, x, 0) &\rightarrow \text{true} \\ \text{geq2}(0, 0, 0, s(x)) &\rightarrow \text{false} \end{aligned}$$

Logically Constrained Term Rewrite System (LCTRS)

$$\text{sum}(x) \rightarrow 0 \ [x \leq 0]$$
$$\text{sum}(x) \rightarrow x + \text{sum}(x - 1) \ [x > 0]$$

Motivation

- Really necessary to prove known TRS criteria from scratch?
- Lift TRS confluence criteria without replaying original proof?
- Just take care of the specifics that LCTRSs have over TRSs?

Confluence Criteria

- known:
 - Kop & Nishida 2013: (weak) orthogonality
 - Winkler & Middeldorp 2018: local confluence + termination (Newman's Lemma)
 - Schöpf & Middeldorp 2023: strong and (almost) parallel closedness
- unexplored:
(almost) development closedness, parallel critical pairs, labeling techniques, ...

How to prove/lift those in a **more elegant** way?

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Important Definitions

- $\mathcal{LVar}(l \rightarrow r [\varphi]) = \mathcal{Var}(\varphi) \cup (\mathcal{Var}(r) \setminus \mathcal{Var}(l))$
- substitution $\gamma \models l \rightarrow r [\varphi]$ if
 - $\text{Dom}(\gamma) = \mathcal{Var}(l) \cup \mathcal{Var}(r) \cup \mathcal{Var}(\varphi)$
 - $\gamma(x) \in \mathcal{Val}$ for all $x \in \mathcal{LVar}(l \rightarrow r [\varphi])$
 - $\varphi\gamma$ is valid

Example

- $\mathcal{LVar}(f(x, y) \rightarrow y [x = u]) = \{x, u\}$
- $\mathcal{LVar}(f(x, y) \rightarrow z [x = 1]) = \{x, z\}$

$\{x \mapsto g(v, 3), y \mapsto 2, z \mapsto 3 + 2\}$ ❌

$\{x \mapsto 1, y \mapsto g(v, 3), z \mapsto 5\}$ ✅

Rewrite Relation

\mathcal{R}_{rc} is the union of \mathcal{R} and calculation rules \mathcal{R}_{ca}

$$C[l\gamma] \rightarrow_{rc} C[r\gamma] \quad \text{if } l \rightarrow r [\varphi] \in \mathcal{R}_{rc} \text{ and } \gamma \models l \rightarrow r [\varphi]$$

Example

LCTRS \mathcal{M}

$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{Bool}} = \mathbb{B}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{te}} = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots : \text{Int}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{th}} = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots : \text{Int}$$

$$\text{true}, \text{false} : \text{Bool}$$

$$\neg : [\text{Bool}] \Rightarrow \text{Bool}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{Int}} = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{max} : [\text{Int}] \Rightarrow \text{Int}$$

$$\wedge : [\text{Bool} \times \text{Bool}] \Rightarrow \text{Bool}$$

$$+, - : [\text{Int} \times \text{Int}] \Rightarrow \text{Int}$$

$$\leq, \geq, = : [\text{Int} \times \text{Int}] \Rightarrow \text{Bool}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \quad \text{max}(x, y) \rightarrow x [x \geq y] \quad \text{max}(x, y) \rightarrow y [y \geq x] \quad \text{max}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{max}(y, x)$$

$$\text{max}(2 + 1, 1 + 3) \rightarrow \text{max}(3, 1 + 3) \rightarrow \text{max}(3, 4) \rightarrow \text{max}(4, 3) \rightarrow 4$$

Constraint Terms

pair $s [\varphi]$ of term s and logical constraint φ

Equivalence of Constraint Terms

$s [\varphi] \sim t [\psi]$ if $s\gamma = t\delta$ for all $\gamma \models \varphi$ and $\delta \models \psi$ (and vice versa)

Example

$$\begin{aligned} \max(3, y) [y = 3] &\sim \max(x, 3) [x = 3] & \max(3, y) [y > 3] &\approx \max(3, y) [y > 4] \\ \max(x, y) &\sim \max(y, x) \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite Relation on Constrained Terms

$$\begin{aligned} C[l\gamma] [\varphi] &\rightarrow C[r\gamma] [\varphi] & \text{if } \rho: l \rightarrow r [\psi] \in \mathcal{R}_{rc}, \\ & & \gamma(x) \in \text{Val} \cup \text{Var}(\varphi) \text{ for all } x \in \mathcal{L}\text{Var}(\rho) \\ & & \varphi \text{ is sat and } \varphi \Rightarrow \psi\gamma \text{ valid} \end{aligned}$$

rewrite relation including equivalence $\sim \cdot \rightarrow \cdot \sim$ is denoted by \rightsquigarrow

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$$\text{max}(x, 1 + 3) [x > 4] \xrightarrow{\mathcal{M}} \text{max}(x, 4) [x > 4] \rightarrow_{\mathcal{M}} x [x > 4]$$

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Previous Work

- (weak) orthogonality, strong closedness, (almost) parallel closedness
- replaying original proofs with non-trivial adaptations
- how to continue with development closedness? (proofs terms, ...)

Key Observation

LCTRS with theory Ints

$$f(x) \rightarrow y [x > 3]$$

$$g(x, y) \rightarrow a [1 < x < 4 \wedge 3 < y < 6]$$

corresponds to infinite TRS

$$f(4) \rightarrow 0$$

$$g(2, 4) \rightarrow a$$

$$f(4) \rightarrow 1$$

$$g(2, 5) \rightarrow a$$

...

$$g(3, 4) \rightarrow a$$

$$f(5) \rightarrow 0$$

$$g(3, 5) \rightarrow a$$

...

Transformation

TRS $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$ transformed from LCTRS \mathcal{R} consists of:

1. $l\tau \rightarrow r\tau$ for all $\rho: l \rightarrow r [\varphi] \in \mathcal{R}$ with $\tau \vDash \rho$ and $\text{Dom}(\tau) = \mathcal{LVar}(\rho)$
2. $f(v_1, \dots, v_n) \rightarrow \llbracket f(v_1, \dots, v_n) \rrbracket$ for all $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\text{th}} \setminus \mathcal{Val}$ and $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathcal{Val}$

Lemma

$\rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\rightarrow_{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}$ are the same and hence $\xrightarrow{p}_{\mathcal{R}} = \xrightarrow{p}_{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}$ for all positions p

Constrained Critical Pair (CCP)

Overlap of LCTRS \mathcal{R} is $\langle \rho_1, p, \rho_2 \rangle$ with $\rho_1: l_1 \rightarrow r_1$ $[\varphi_1]$ and $\rho_2: l_2 \rightarrow r_2$ $[\varphi_2]$, satisfying:

1. ρ_1 and ρ_2 are variable-disjoint variants of rules in \mathcal{R}_{rc}
2. $p \in \text{Pos}_{\mathcal{F}}(l_2)$
3. l_1 and $l_2|_p$ unify with mgu σ such that $\sigma(x) \in \text{Val} \cup \mathcal{V}$ for all $x \in \mathcal{LVar}(\rho_1) \cup \mathcal{LVar}(\rho_2)$
4. $\varphi_1\sigma \wedge \varphi_2\sigma$ is satisfiable
5. if $p = \epsilon$ then ρ_1 and ρ_2 are not variants, or $\text{Var}(r_1) \not\subseteq \text{Var}(l_1)$

$l_2\sigma[r_1\sigma]_p \approx r_2\sigma$ $[\varphi_1\sigma \wedge \varphi_2\sigma \wedge \psi\sigma]$ is constrained critical pair with

$$\psi = \bigwedge \{x = x \mid x \in \mathcal{EVar}(\rho_1) \cup \mathcal{EVar}(\rho_2)\}$$

Example

$$x \approx y \ [x \geq y \wedge y \geq x]$$

$$x \approx \max(y, x) \ [x \geq y]$$

$$y \approx \max(y, x) \ [y \geq x]$$

Theorem

every CP $s \approx t$ of $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$ has corresponding CCP $s' \approx t'$ [φ'] of \mathcal{R} and substitution $\gamma \vDash \varphi'$ with $s = s'\gamma, t = t'\gamma$

Proof Sketch

- $s \approx t \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}$ originating from rules $l_1\nu \rightarrow r_1\nu, l_2\mu \rightarrow r_2\mu$
- where $\rho_1: l_1 \rightarrow r_1$ [φ_1] and $\rho_2: l_2 \rightarrow r_2$ [φ_2] in \mathcal{R}_{rc}
- with $\nu \vDash \rho_1$ and $\mu \vDash \rho_2$
- show $l_2\delta[r_1\delta]_p \approx r_2\delta$ [$\varphi\delta$] with mgu δ forms CCP in \mathcal{R}

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Converse not True in General

LCTRS with theory Ints

$$a \rightarrow x [x = 0]$$

admits CCP

$$x \approx x' [x = 0 \wedge x' = 0]$$

but $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$ consisting of $a \rightarrow 0$ has none

\implies orthogonality of $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$ does not imply orthogonality of \mathcal{R}

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Multi-Step Rewriting

multi-step relation \twoheadrightarrow on constrained terms:

1. $x [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow x [\varphi]$ for all variables x ,
2. $f(s_1, \dots, s_n) [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow f(t_1, \dots, t_n) [\varphi]$ if $s_i [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow t_i [\varphi]$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$,
3. $l\sigma [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow r\tau [\varphi]$ if $\rho: l \rightarrow r [\psi] \in \mathcal{R}_{rc}$, $\sigma(x) \in \mathcal{Val} \cup \mathcal{Var}(\varphi)$ for all $x \in \mathcal{LVar}(\rho)$, φ is satisfiable, $\varphi \Rightarrow \psi\sigma$ is valid, and $\sigma [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow \tau [\varphi]$.

with

- $\sigma [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow \tau [\varphi]$ denotes $\sigma(x) [\varphi] \twoheadrightarrow \tau(x) [\varphi]$ for all variables $x \in \mathcal{Dom}(\sigma)$
- $\tilde{\twoheadrightarrow} = \sim \cdot \twoheadrightarrow \cdot \sim$

Remarks

- how to correctly merge constraints in 2?
- simplified it by unifying \rightarrow_{ru} and \rightarrow_{ca}
- parallel-step relation is subsumed

Definition

$s \approx t [\varphi]$ is development closed if $s \approx t [\varphi] \xrightarrow{\tilde{\theta}}_{\geq 1} u \approx v [\psi]$ for some trivial $u \approx v [\psi]$

Definition

$s \approx t [\varphi]$ is almost development closed if

- it is inner and development closed, or
- it is an overlay and $s \approx t [\varphi] \xrightarrow{\tilde{\theta}}_{\geq 1} \cdot \xrightarrow{\tilde{\theta}^*}_{\geq 2} u \approx v [\psi]$ for some trivial $u \approx v [\psi]$

Lemma

if $s \approx t [\varphi] \xrightarrow{\tilde{\theta}}_{\geq 1} u \approx v [\psi]$ then for all $\sigma \vDash \varphi$ exists $\delta \vDash \psi$ such that $s\sigma \rightarrow u\delta$ and $t\sigma = v\delta$

Lemma

if $s \approx t [\varphi]$ is almost development closed then for all $\sigma \vDash \varphi$ we have $s\sigma \rightarrow \cdot^* \leftarrow t\sigma$

Theorem

if LCTRS \mathcal{R} is almost development closed then so is $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$

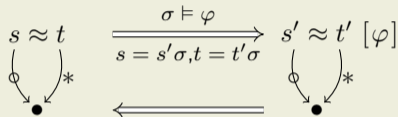
Proof Sketch

- assume $s \approx t \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}$
- there exists $s' \approx t' [\varphi] \in \mathcal{R}$ with $s'\sigma = s$, $t'\sigma = t$, $\sigma \vDash \varphi$
- almost development closed $\implies s = s'\sigma \rightarrow \cdot^* \leftarrow t'\sigma = t$ or $s = s'\sigma \rightarrow t'\sigma = t$
- $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$ is development closed

Corollary

left-linear almost development closed LCTRSs are confluent

Overview



Example

$$f(x, y) \rightarrow g(a, y + y) [y \geq x \wedge y = 1]$$

$$f(x, y) \rightarrow g(b, 2) [x \geq y \wedge x = 1]$$

$$g(x, y) \rightarrow g(y, x) \quad a \rightarrow b$$

$$f(1, 1) \rightarrow g(a, 1 + 1) \quad f(0, 1) \rightarrow g(a, 1 + 1)$$

$$f(1, 1) \rightarrow g(b, 2) \quad f(1, 0) \rightarrow g(b, 2)$$

$$g(x, y) \rightarrow g(y, x) \quad a \rightarrow b \quad \dots$$

$$g(a, y + y) \approx g(b, 2) [x \geq y \wedge x = 1 \wedge y \geq x \wedge y = 1]$$

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LCTRS \mathcal{R} with theory Ints

$$f(x) \rightarrow g(x) \quad f(x) \rightarrow h(x) [1 \leq x \leq 2] \quad g(x) \rightarrow h(2) [x = 2z] \quad g(x) \rightarrow h(1) [x = 2z + 1]$$

transformed into TRS $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$

$$\begin{array}{lll} f(x) \rightarrow g(x) & f(1) \rightarrow h(1) & g(n) \rightarrow h(1) \quad \text{for all odd } n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ & f(2) \rightarrow h(2) & g(n) \rightarrow h(2) \quad \text{for all even } n \in \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

admits two (modulo symmetry) critical pairs $g(1) \approx h(1)$, $g(2) \approx h(2)$

$\implies \overline{\mathcal{R}}$ is almost development closed

$\implies g(x) \approx h(x) [1 \leq x \leq 2]$ is not almost development closed

Potential Outlook

- labeling techniques
- parallel critical pair criteria
- ...

Theorem (Toyama 1981)

left-linear TRS \mathcal{R} is confluent if

- $s \twoheadrightarrow \cdot \leftarrow^* t$ for all $s \approx t \in \text{CP}(\mathcal{R})$
- for every parallel critical peak $t \xrightarrow{P} s \xrightarrow{\epsilon} u$ exists a term v and a set P' of parallel positions such that $t \xrightarrow{*} v \xrightarrow{P'} u$ with $\text{Var}(v, P') \subseteq \text{Var}(s, P)$

Summary

- merge LCTRS rewrite relations
- multi-step (and parallel-step) rewrite relation
- much simpler approach to lift TRS confluence criteria
- (almost) development closedness