Term-Indexing for Instantiation-Based First Order Theorem Proving

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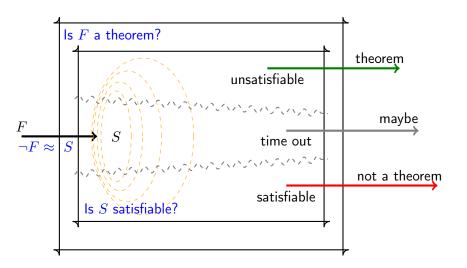
Outline

1 Motivation

2 path indexing

3 discrimination trees

Resolution



Goal

A sound, refutational complete, and effective procedure.

Avoid redundancy

superposition inference rules

$$\frac{A \vee \mathcal{C} \quad \neg B \vee \mathcal{D}}{(\mathcal{C} \vee \mathcal{D}) \operatorname{mgu}(A, B)} \stackrel{ordered}{resolution} \qquad \frac{A \vee B' \vee \mathcal{C}}{(A \vee \mathcal{C}) \operatorname{mgu}(A, B)} \stackrel{ordered}{factoring}$$

$$\frac{s \approx t \vee \mathcal{C} \quad \neg A[s'] \vee \mathcal{D}}{(\mathcal{C} \vee \neg A[t] \vee \mathcal{D}) \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')} \stackrel{ordered}{paramodulation} \qquad \frac{s \approx t \vee \mathcal{C} \quad A[s'] \vee \mathcal{D}}{(\mathcal{C} \vee A[t] \vee \mathcal{D}) \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')}$$

$$\frac{s \approx t \vee \mathcal{C} \quad u[s'] \not\approx v \vee \mathcal{D}}{(\mathcal{C} \vee u[t] \not\approx v \vee \mathcal{D}) \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')} \stackrel{superposition}{\underbrace{(\mathcal{C} \vee u[t] \approx v \vee \mathcal{D}) \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')}} \stackrel{s \approx t \vee \mathcal{C} \quad u[s'] \approx v \vee \mathcal{D}}{(\mathcal{C} \vee u[t] \approx v \vee \mathcal{D}) \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')}$$

$$\frac{s \not\approx s' \vee \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{C} \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')} \stackrel{equality}{resolution} \qquad \frac{s \approx s' \vee u \approx v \vee \mathcal{C}}{(v \not\approx s' \vee u \approx s' \vee \mathcal{C}) \operatorname{mgu}(s, s')} \stackrel{equality}{factoring}$$

Definition

The unit superposition calculus includes

• unit paramodulation (UP)

$$\frac{s \approx t \quad L[s']}{(L[t]) \sigma} (UP)$$

where $\sigma = \text{mgu}(s, s')$ is defined, $s' \notin \mathcal{V}$, $t\sigma \not\succeq s\sigma$;

• unit superposition (US_-, US_+)

$$\frac{s \approx t \quad u[s'] \not\approx v}{(u[t] \not\approx v) \sigma} (US_{-}) \qquad \frac{s \approx t \quad u[s'] \approx v}{(u[t] \approx v) \sigma} (US_{+})$$

where $\sigma = \text{mgu}(s, s')$ is defined, $s' \notin \mathcal{V}$, $t\sigma \not\succeq s\sigma$, $v\sigma \not\succeq u[s']\sigma$;

• unit equality resolution (UR_{\approx}) , and unit resolution (UR)

$$\frac{s \not\approx t}{\Box} (UR_{\approx})$$
 $\frac{A - B}{\Box} (UR)$

Term retrieval problems

Definition

In a given set of terms

- find terms that are variants of a given term. $variant(\ell, t) \Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \ \ell \sigma = t \text{ and } \sigma \text{ is renaming.}$
- find terms that are unifiable with a given term. unifiable $(\ell, t) \Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \ \ell \sigma = t \sigma$
- find terms that are instances of a given term. $instance(\ell, t) \Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \ \ell = t\sigma$
- find terms that are generalizations of a given term. generalization $(\ell, t) \Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \ \ell \sigma = t$

$$\{^{1:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{f}(x,x)),^{2:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{g}(\mathsf{a},x)),^{3:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{f}(y,z))^{4:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{g}(\mathsf{a},y)),^{5:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{f}(y,x)),^{6:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{g}(y,a))\}$$

$$h(g(y,x)) \mapsto \{ h.1.g.1.*, h.1.g.2.* \}$$

$$\begin{cases} \ ^{1:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{f}(x,x)), & \ ^{2:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{g}(\mathsf{a},x)), & \ ^{3:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{f}(y,z)), \\ \ ^{4:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{g}(\mathsf{a},y)), & \ ^{5:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{f}(y,x)), & \ ^{6:}\mathsf{h}(\mathsf{g}(y,a)) \end{cases}$$

