## Quiz

1. Prove termination of the following TRS using a monotonic algebra to  $\mathbb{N}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} append(nil,z) & \rightarrow & z \\ append(cons(x,y),z) & \rightarrow & cons(x,append(y,z)) \end{array}$$

- (a) give (linear) parametric interpretations for all function symbols
  - Answer:
    - $[nil] = n_0$
    - $[cons] = \lambda x, y.c_0 + c_1 * x + c_2 * y$
    - $[append] = \lambda xy.a_0 + a_1 * x + a_2 * y$
- (b) compute the requirements (monotonicity and rule orientation)

**Answer:** first, we must impose the *monotonicity* requirements:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \underline{c_1} & \geq & 1 & & \underline{a_1} & \geq & 1 \\ \underline{c_2} & \geq & 1 & & \underline{a_2} & \geq & 1 \end{array}$$

For the first rule, we must have:

$$W(\underset{nil}{append}(nil, z))$$
=  $\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * W(\underset{nil}{nil}) + \underline{a_2} * W(z)$   
=  $\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{n_0} + \underline{a_2} * z$   
>  $z$   
=  $W(z)$ 

For the second rule, we must have:

$$W(append(cons(x,y),z)) > W(cons(x,append(y,z)))$$

where:

and

$$W(append(cons(x,y),z)) = \underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * W(cons(x,y)) + \underline{a_2} * W(z)$$

$$= \underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * (\underline{c_0} + \underline{c_1} * x + \underline{c_2} * y) + \underline{a_2} * z$$

$$= \underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_1} * x + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_2} * y + \underline{a_2} * z$$

$$W(cons(x, append(y, z)))$$

$$= \underline{c_0} + \underline{c_1} * W(x) + \underline{c_2} * W(append(y, z))$$

$$> \underline{c_0} + \underline{c_1} * x + \underline{c_2} * (\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * y + \underline{a_2} * z)$$

$$= \underline{c_0} + \underline{c_1} * x + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_0} + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_1} * y + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_2} * z$$

## (c) use absolute positiveness to find SMT requirements

**Answer:** The monotonicity requirements are already SMT requirements. For the first rule, we must have:

$$(a_0 + a_1 * n_0) + a_2 * z > z = 0 + 1 * z$$

which by absolute positiveness yields the SMT requirements:

$$\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{n_0} > 0$$
  $\underline{a_2} \ge 1$ 

For the second rule, we must have:

$$\begin{array}{l} (\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_0}) + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_1} * x + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_2} * y + \underline{a_2} * z \\ > (\underline{c_0} + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_0}) + \underline{c_1} * x + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_1} * y + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_2} * z \end{array}$$

which by absolute positiveness yields the SMT requirements:

Putting everything together, we thus end up with:

## (d) solve them by hand and give the resulting interpretation functions, and check your result!

Answer: We observe:

- $a_2 \ge 1$  is required twice
- $a_1 * \underline{c_2} \ge \underline{c_2} * a_1$  is always satisfied
- given that  $\underline{a_1} \geq 1$ , we also know that  $\underline{a_1} * \underline{c_1} \geq \underline{c_1}$  is satisfied
- given that  $\underline{a_2}$  cannot be 0, the requirement  $\underline{a_2} \ge \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_2}$  implies  $\underline{c_2} \le 1$ ; since we also have  $c_2 \ge 1$ , we know that  $c_2 = 1$
- hence, the requirement  $\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_0} > \underline{c_0} + \underline{c_2} * \underline{a_0}$  becomes  $\underline{a_0} + \underline{a_1} * \underline{c_0} > \underline{c_0} + 1 * \underline{a_0}$ ; removing  $\underline{a_0}$  on both sides, we end up with  $\underline{a_1} * \underline{c_0} > \underline{c_0}$
- this requirement then implies that  $\underline{c_0}$  must be at least 1 (since otherwise the requirement would simplify to 0 > 0), and that  $\underline{a_1}$  must be larger than 1 (since  $\underline{c_0} > \underline{c_0}$  also does not hold).

This leaves us with:

So now we can simply choose  $\underline{c_1} := 1, \underline{c_2} := 1, \underline{a_1} := 2, \underline{a_2} := 1, \underline{c_0} := 1$  and  $\underline{a_0} := 1$ , ane leave  $\underline{n_0} := 0$  and  $\underline{c_0} := 0$  (though we could also have chosen  $\underline{a_0} := 0$  and  $\underline{n_0} := 1$ ). This gives the interpretation functions:

- [nil] = 0
- $[cons] = \lambda x, y.1 + x + y$
- $[append] = \lambda xy.1 + 2 * x + y$
- 2. Determine the dependency pairs of:

$$f(h(x), y) \rightarrow g(x, f(x, h(y)))$$
  
 $g(x, h(y)) \rightarrow g(h(x), y)$ 

**Answer:** The defined symbols are f and g (as these occur at the root of the left-hand sides of rules), not h. Thus, the DPs for the first rule are:

A. 
$$f^{\sharp}(h(x), y) \rightarrow g^{\sharp}(x, f(x, h(y)))$$
  
B.  $f^{\sharp}(h(x), y) \rightarrow f^{\sharp}(x, h(y))$ 

And the dependency pair for the second rule is:

C. 
$$g^{\sharp}(x, \mathbf{h}(y)) \rightarrow g^{\sharp}(\mathbf{h}(x), y)$$

3. Split these dependency pairs up into one or more groups of DPs that can be analysed separately.

**Answer option 1:** In an infinite chain  $s_1 \Rightarrow_{DP} t_1 \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}}^* s_2 \Rightarrow_{DP} t_2 \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}}^* s_3 \dots$ ,

- due to root symbols, if the step  $s_i \Rightarrow_{\mathtt{DP}} t_i$  uses C, then so does the step  $s_{i+1} \Rightarrow_{\mathtt{DP}} t_{i+1}$
- similarly, if the step  $s_i \Rightarrow_{DP} t_i$  uses A, then step  $s_{i+1} \Rightarrow_{DP} t_{i+1}$  uses C as well
- hence, an infinite chain either uses only dependency pair B, or it has an infinite tail using only dependency pair C

Therefore, the groups  $\{B\}$  and  $\{C\}$  can be analysed separately: if neither admits an infinite chain, then the original system is terminating.

**Answer option 2:** We use the dependency graph processor, using the following graph approximation (based on the root symbol of each DP):



The strongly connected components of this graph are  $\{B\}$  and  $\{C\}$ , so these can be analysed separately.

4. Prove termination of the above TRS.

**Answer option 1:** It suffices to find a reduction pair such that:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} f(h(x),y) & \succeq & g(x,f(x,h(y))) \\ g(x,h(y)) & \succeq & g(h(x),y) \\ f^{\sharp}(h(x),y) & \succ & g^{\sharp}(x,f(x,h(y))) \\ f^{\sharp}(h(x),y) & \succ & f^{\sharp}(x,h(y)) \\ g^{\sharp}(x,h(y)) & \succ & g^{\sharp}(h(x),y) \end{array}$$

We can do this for instance using a weakly monotonic algebra with:

- $[f] = \lambda x, y.y$
- $[g] = \lambda x, y.0$
- $[h] = \lambda x.x + 1$
- $[f^{\sharp}] = \lambda x, y.2 * x + y$
- $[g^{\sharp}] = \lambda x, y.y$

Then the requirements evaluate to:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} y & \geq & 0 \\ 0 & \geq & 0 \\ 2*x+y+2 & > & y+1 \\ 2*x+y+2 & > & 2*x+y+1 \\ y+1 & > & y \end{array}$$

**Answer option 2:** As reasoned above,  $\{B\}$  and  $\{C\}$  can be analysed separately. First, we handle  $\{B\}$ . This can be done using the following weakly monotonic algebra:

Since this gives:

$$\begin{array}{lclcl} W(f(h(x),y)) & = & 0 & \geq & 0 & = & W(g(x,f(x,h(y)))) \\ W(g(x,h(y))) & = & 0 & \geq & 0 & = & W(g(h(x),y)) \\ W(f^{\sharp}(h(x),y)) & = & x+1 & > & x & = & W(f^{\sharp}(x,h(y))) \end{array}$$

Next, we handle  $\{C\}$ . This can be done using the following weakly monotonic algebra:

Since this orients the rules as before, and additionally gives:

$$W(g^{\sharp}(x, h(y))) = y+1 > y = W(g^{\sharp}(h(x), y))$$

## Answer option 3:

As reasoned above,  $\{B\}$  and  $\{C\}$  can be analysed separately. Both are handled with the subterm criterion:

- B using projection function  $\nu(f^{\sharp}) = 1$ , since x is a strict subterm of h(x)
- C using projection function  $\nu(g^{\sharp}) = 2$ , since y is a strict subterm of h(y)