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1 Introduction

2 Basic Definitions

2.1 λ -calculus $\lambda 2$

In the following let $\mathcal{V}_T = \{\alpha, a, \beta, b, ...\}$ be a countably infinite set (of type-variables) and $\mathcal{V}_V = \{x, x_1, x_2, ...\}$ be a countably infinite set (of value-variables).

Definition 1. The set of all $\lambda 2$ types over \mathcal{V}_T , denoted by $T_{\lambda 2}$, is the smallest set T satisfying the following conditions:

- $\mathcal{V}_T \subset \mathcal{T}$,
- if $t_1, t_2 \in T$ then $(t_1 \to t_2) \in T$, and
- if $t \in T$ and $\alpha \in \mathcal{V}_T$ then $\forall \alpha.t \in T$.

The set of all $\lambda 2$ terms over \mathcal{V}_T and \mathcal{V}_V , denoted by $\Lambda_{T_{\lambda_2}}$, is the smallest set Λ_T satisfying the following conditions:

- $\mathcal{V}_V \subseteq \Lambda_{\mathrm{T}}$,
- if $e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda_T$ then $e_1e_2 \in \Lambda_T$,
- if $x \in \mathcal{V}_V$, $t \in T_{\lambda 2}$, and $e \in \Lambda_T$ then $\lambda x : t \cdot e \in \Lambda_T$,
- if $\alpha \in \mathcal{V}_T$ and $e \in \Lambda_T$ then $\Lambda \alpha.e \in \Lambda_T$, and
- if $e \in \Lambda_T$ and $t \in T_{\lambda 2}$ then $e t \in \Lambda_T$.

If we have a type of the form $(t_1 \to (t_2 \to (\cdots \to (t_{n-1} \to t_n) \cdots)))$ we will often omit the brackets and just write $(t_1 \to t_2 \to \cdots \to t_{n-1} \to t_n)$ or $t_1 \to t_2 \to \cdots \to t_{n-1} \to t_n$ instead.

Definition 2. Let $e \in \Lambda_{T_{\lambda_2}}$. The <u>free variables of e</u>, denoted by FV(e), are defined inductively as follows:

$$FV(e) = \begin{cases} \{x\} & \text{if } e = x \\ FV(e_1) \cup FV(e_2) & \text{if } e = e_1 e_2 \\ FV(e') \setminus \{x\} & \text{if } e = \lambda x : t.e' \\ FV(e') & \text{if } e = A\alpha.e' \\ FV(e') & \text{if } e = e't \end{cases}$$

Definition 3. Let $\mathcal{V} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ be a finite subset of \mathcal{V}_V and $t_1, \dots, t_n \in \Lambda_{T_{\lambda_2}}$. A $\underline{\lambda 2}$ -basis $\Gamma = \{(x_1 : t_1), \dots, (x_n : t_n)\}$ is a mapping from \mathcal{V} to T_{λ_2} . If the kind of basis is clear from the context we abbreviate $\lambda 2$ -basis to basis.

The free variables of a basis Γ , denoted by $FV(\Gamma)$, are $\bigcup \{FV(t) \mid (x:t) \in \Gamma\}$.

For a basis Γ and another basis Σ , $x \in \mathcal{V}_V \setminus \text{dom}(\Gamma)$, and $t \in T_{\lambda 2}$ we will abbreviate $\Gamma \cup \{(x:t)\}$ to $\Gamma, x:t$ and $\Gamma \cup \Sigma$ to Γ, Σ .

Definition 4. Let e be in $\Lambda_{T_{\lambda_2}}$, t in T_{λ_2} , and Γ be a basis. A statement e:t is <u>derivable</u> from Γ , denoted by $\Gamma \vdash e:t$, if e:t can be produced using the following rules.

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\operatorname{Axiom}) & \Gamma, x: t \vdash x: t \\ \\ (\lambda\text{-Introduction}) & \frac{\Gamma, x: t_1 \vdash e: t_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x: t_1.e: t_1 \to t_2} \\ \\ (\lambda\text{-Elimination}) & \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1: t_1 \to t_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2: t_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1e_2: t_2} \\ \\ (\forall\text{-Introduction}) & \frac{\Gamma \vdash e: t}{\Gamma \vdash \Lambda \alpha.e: \forall \alpha.t} \qquad \alpha \notin \operatorname{FV}(\Gamma) \\ \\ (\forall\text{-Elimination}) & \frac{\Gamma \vdash e: \forall \alpha.t}{\Gamma \vdash e\: t': t\: [\alpha:=t']} \end{array}$$

Definition 5. The inhabitation problem for $\lambda 2$, denoted by **INHAB**, is defined as follows. Given a $\lambda 2$ type t.

Is there a $\lambda 2$ term M such that $\emptyset \vdash M : t$?

But we can rephrase this problem so that it becomes more general: Given a basis Γ and a $\lambda 2$ type t.

Is there a $\lambda 2$ term M such that $\Gamma \vdash M : t$?

Obviously the second version is a special case of the first one. For the other direction consider a basis $\Gamma = \{(x_1 : t_1), \dots, (x_n : t_n)\}$ and a $\lambda 2$ type t. Clearly, for every term $M, \Gamma \vdash M : t$ holds iff $\emptyset \vdash \lambda x_1 : t_1 \dots \lambda x_n : t_n M : t_1 \to \dots \to t_n \to t$.

2.2 first-order logic

Definition 6. A <u>ranked set</u> is a tuple (Σ, rk) , where Σ is a countable set and $rk: \Sigma \to \mathbb{N}$ is a function that maps every symbol from Σ to a natural number (its rank).

If the function rk is understood we will just write Σ instead of (Σ, rk) . The set of all elements in Σ with a certain rank k, denoted by $\Sigma^{(k)}$, is defined as $\Sigma^{(k)} := rk^{-1}(k)$.

For the remainder of this subsection let $\mathcal{V} = \{y, y_1, y_2, \dots\}$ be a countable set (of variables), \mathcal{F} a ranked set (of function symbols), and \mathcal{P} a ranked set (of predicate symbols).

Definition 7. The set of <u>terms over V and F</u>, denoted by $T_{(V,F)}$, is the smallest set T satisfying the following conditions:

- $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$, and
- for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, if $f \in \mathcal{F}^{(k)}$ and $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k \in \mathcal{T}$ then $f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k) \in \mathcal{T}$.

The set of first-order formulas over \mathcal{V} , \mathcal{F} , and \mathcal{P} , denoted by $\mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{P})}$, is the smallest set \mathcal{L} satisfying the following conditions:

- for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, if $P \in \mathcal{P}^{(k)}$ and $t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_k \in \mathcal{T}_{(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{F})}$ then $P(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_k) \in \mathcal{L}$.
- If $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{L}$ then $(\varphi \wedge \psi)$, $(\varphi \vee \psi)$, $\neg \varphi \in \mathcal{L}$, and
- if $y \in \mathcal{V}$ and $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}$ then $\exists y.\varphi, \forall y.\varphi \in \mathcal{L}$.

We introduce an additional binary operation \rightarrow on formulas, where for some φ , $\psi \in \mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{P})}$ the formula $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ is defined as $(\neg \varphi \lor \psi)$, if we have a formula of the form $(\varphi_1 \rightarrow (\varphi_2 \rightarrow (\cdots \rightarrow (\varphi_{n-1} \rightarrow \varphi_n) \cdots)))$ we will often omit the brackets and just write $(\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \varphi_{n-1} \rightarrow \varphi_n)$ or $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \varphi_{n-1} \rightarrow \varphi_n$ instead.

For nullary relation symbols P we will abbreviate P() to P. If a formula φ is of the form $Qy.(\psi)$ (where $Q \in \{\exists, \forall\}, y \in \mathcal{V}$, and $(\psi) \in \mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{P})}$) we often drop the dot and write $Qy(\psi)$ instead. If a formula φ has multiple variables bound by the same quantifier (i.e. $\varphi = Qy_1.Qy_2...Qy_n.\psi$ for $Q \in \{\exists, \forall\}$, some $n \in \mathbb{N}, y_1, y_2,...,y_n \in \mathcal{V}$, and $\psi \in \mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{P})}$) we abbreviate φ to $Qy_1y_2...y_n.\psi$ or to $Q\vec{y}.\psi$ where $\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2,...,y_n)^{\top}$.

Definition 8. The variables of a term $t \in \mathcal{T}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F})}$, denoted by V(t), are defined by:

$$V(t) = \begin{cases} \{y\} & \text{if } t = y \\ V(t_1) \cup V(t_2) \cup \dots \cup V(t_k) & \text{if } t = f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k) \end{cases}$$

The free variables of a formula $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{P})}$, denoted by $FV(\varphi)$, are defined as follows:

$$\mathrm{FV}(\varphi) = \begin{cases} \mathrm{V}(t_1) \cup \mathrm{V}(t_2) \cup \cdots \cup \mathrm{V}(t_k) & \text{if } \varphi = P(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k) \\ \mathrm{FV}(\psi) & \text{if } \varphi = \neg \psi \\ \mathrm{FV}(\varphi_1) \cup \mathrm{FV}(\varphi_2) & \text{if } \varphi = (\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \text{ or } \varphi = (\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \\ \mathrm{FV}(\psi) \setminus \{y\} & \text{if } \varphi = \forall y. \psi \text{ or } \varphi = \exists y. \psi \end{cases}$$

Definition 9. Let y be in \mathcal{V} and $t, t' \in \mathcal{T}_{(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{F})}$. The <u>substitution of y by t' in t</u>, denoted by t[y := t'], is defined as follows:

$$t[y := t'] = \begin{cases} t' & \text{if } t = y \\ z & \text{if } t = z \text{ and } z \neq y \\ f(t_1[y := t'], \dots, t_k[y := t']) & \text{if } t = f(t_1, \dots, t_k) \end{cases}$$

Now we can lift this definition to formulas, let φ be in $\mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{P})}$. The <u>substitution of</u> y by t' in φ , denoted by $\varphi[y:=t']$, is defined as follows:

$$\varphi\left[y:=t'\right] = \begin{cases} P(t_1\left[y:=t'\right], \dots, t_k\left[y:=t'\right]) & \text{if } \varphi = P(t_1, \dots, t_k) \\ \neg(\psi\left[y:=t'\right]) & \text{if } \varphi = \neg\psi \\ \varphi_1\left[y:=t'\right] \circ \varphi_2\left[y:=t'\right] & \text{if } \varphi = (\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2) \;, \; \circ \in \{\land, \lor\} \\ \varphi & \text{if } \varphi = \forall y.\psi \text{ or } \varphi = \exists y.\psi \\ Qz.(\psi\left[y:=t'\right]) & \text{if } \varphi = Qz.\psi, \; Q \in \{\forall, \exists\} \text{ and } z \neq y \end{cases}$$

Now we come to the semantics of first-order formulas.

Definition 10. An interpretation I over \mathcal{V} , \mathcal{F} , and \mathcal{P} is a triple $(\Delta, \cdot^I, \omega)$, where Δ is a nonempty set (which we call domain), \cdot^I is a function such that $f^I \colon \Delta^k \to \Delta$ is a function for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $f \in \mathcal{F}^{(k)}$ and $P^I \subseteq \Delta^k$ is a relation for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $P \in \mathcal{P}^{(k)}$ ω is a function from \mathcal{V} to Δ .

Let $I = (\Delta, \cdot^I, \omega)$ be an interpretation, $y \in \mathcal{V}$, and $d \in \Delta$ the interpretation $I[y \mapsto d]$ is defined as $(\Delta, \cdot^I, \omega[y \mapsto d])$ where

$$(\omega [y \mapsto d])(z) = \begin{cases} d & \text{if } z = y \\ \omega(y) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Definition 11. Let $I = (\Delta, \cdot^I, \omega)$ be an interpretation and t a term. The <u>interpretation</u> of t under I, denoted by t^I , is defined as follows:

$$t^{I} = \begin{cases} \omega(y) & \text{if } t = y\\ f^{I}(t_{1}^{I}, \dots, t_{k}^{I}) & \text{if } t = f(t_{1}, \dots, t_{k}) \end{cases}$$

Let φ be a formula. The <u>interpretation of φ under I, denoted by φ^I , is defined recursively as follows:</u>

$$\varphi^I = \begin{cases} \top & \text{if } \varphi = P(t_1, \dots, t_k) \text{ and } (t_1^I, \dots, t_k^I) \in P^I \\ \bot & \text{if } \varphi = P(t_1, \dots, t_k) \text{ and } (t_1^I, \dots, t_k^I) \notin P^I \\ \text{not } \psi^I & \text{if } \varphi = \neg \psi \\ \varphi_1^I \text{ and } \varphi_2^I & \text{if } \varphi = (\varphi_1 \land \varphi_2) \\ \varphi_1^I \text{ or } \varphi_2^I & \text{if } \varphi = (\varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2) \\ \text{exists } d \in \Delta \ \psi^{I[y \mapsto d]} & \text{if } \varphi = \exists y.\psi \\ \text{forall } d \in \Delta \ \psi^{I[y \mapsto d]} & \text{if } \varphi = \forall y.\psi \end{cases}$$

The interpretation I is a <u>model</u> of φ , denoted by $I \models \varphi$, if $\varphi^I = \top$.

When we define an interpretation I and we have a nullary predicate symbol P we write $P^I = \top$ instead of $P^I = \{()\}$ and $P^I = \bot$ for $P^I = \emptyset$ (this works because $P()^I = \top$ iff $() \in P^I$).

Definition 12. Let Γ be a finite set of first-oder formulas.

We say that an interpretation I is a <u>model</u> of Γ , denoted by $I \models \Gamma$, if $I \models \psi$ for every ψ in Γ .

The formula φ is a <u>semantic consequence</u> of Γ , denoted by $\Gamma \vdash \varphi$, if every model of Γ is also a model of φ .

The free variables of Γ , denoted by $FV(\Gamma)$, are $\bigcup \{FV(\varphi) \mid \varphi \in \Gamma\}$.

2.3 two-counter automaton

We will use a version of two-counter automaton which only has two types of transitions. First it can increment a register and second it can decrement a register or jump if the register is already zero. Formally:

Definition 13. A deterministic two-counter automaton is a 4-tuple $M = (\mathcal{Q}, Q_0, Q_f, R)$,

where Q is a finite set (of states),

 Q_0 is in \mathcal{Q} (the initial state),

 Q_f is in \mathcal{Q} (the final state), and

R is a function from $\mathcal{Q} \setminus \{Q_f\}$ to $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{Q}}$, where $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{Q}} = \{+(i,Q') \mid i \in \{1,2\}, Q' \in \mathcal{Q}\}$ $\cup \{-(i,Q_1,Q_2) \mid i \in \{1,2\}, Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathcal{Q}\}$

A <u>configuration</u> C of our automaton is a triple $\langle Q, m, n \rangle$, where $Q \in \mathcal{Q}$ and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let r be in $R(\mathcal{Q} \setminus \{Q_f\})$, then \Rightarrow_M^r is a binary relation on the configurations of M such that two configurations $\langle Q, m, n \rangle$, $\langle \widehat{Q}, \widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \rangle$ of M are in the in the relation if all of the following conditions hold:

- $Q \neq Q_f$, r = R(Q),
- if r = +(1, Q') for some $Q' \in \mathcal{Q}$ then $\widehat{Q} = Q'$, $\widehat{m} = m + 1$, and $\widehat{n} = n$,
- if r = +(2, Q') for some $Q' \in \mathcal{Q}$ then $\widehat{Q} = Q'$, $\widehat{m} = m$, and $\widehat{n} = n + 1$,
- if $r = -(1, Q_1, Q_2)$ for some $Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathcal{Q}$ then if m = 0 then $\widehat{Q} = Q_2$, $\widehat{m} = 0$, and $\widehat{n} = n$, if $m \ge 1$ then $\widehat{Q} = Q_1$, $\widehat{m} = m - 1$, and $\widehat{n} = n$,
- if $r = -(2, Q_1, Q_2)$ for some $Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathcal{Q}$ then if n = 0 then $\widehat{Q} = Q_2$, $\widehat{m} = m$, and $\widehat{n} = 0$, if $n \ge 1$ then $\widehat{Q} = Q_1$, $\widehat{m} = m$, and $\widehat{n} = n - 1$.

The <u>transition relation of M</u>, denoted by \Rightarrow_M , is defined as $\bigcup_{r \in R(Q \setminus \{Q_f\})} \Rightarrow_M^r$. We denote the transitive reflexive closure of \Rightarrow_M by \Rightarrow_M^*

Let m, n be in \mathbb{N} , we say that \underline{M} terminates on input (m, n) if there exist $\widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\langle Q_0, m, n \rangle \Rightarrow_M^* \langle Q_f, \widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \rangle$ (It follows that there exists an $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and configurations D_1, \ldots, D_i of M such that $\langle Q_0, m, n \rangle = D_1 \Rightarrow_M \cdots \Rightarrow_M D_i = \langle Q_f, \widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \rangle$, we call this chain a computation with length i).

Definition 14. The halting problem for two-counter automaton, denoted by HALT, is defined as follows. Given a two-counter automaton M.

Does M terminate on input (0,0)?

It is well known that **HALT** is undecidable.

3 System P

3.1 Definitions

In the following let $\mathcal{V}_P = \{\alpha, a, \beta, b, ...\}$ be a countably infinite subset of \mathcal{V}_T (of variables). Let $\mathcal{P}_P = \{P, Q, ...\}$ be a set (of predicate symbols) and \mathcal{P} a ranked set such that $\mathcal{P}^{(0)} = \{\mathbf{false}\}$, $\mathcal{P}^{(2)} = \mathcal{P}_P$, and $\mathcal{P}^{(k)} = \emptyset$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 2\}$. A first-order logic formula φ over \mathcal{V}_P , \emptyset , and \mathcal{P} is an

atomic formula if $\varphi =$ false or $\varphi = P(a, b)$ for some $P \in \mathcal{P}_P$ and $a, b \in \mathcal{V}_P$.

universal formula if $\varphi = \forall \vec{\alpha}(A_1 \to A_2 \to \cdots \to A_n)$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and where A_i is an atomic formula for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $A_i \neq \mathbf{false}$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ and for each $\alpha \in \mathrm{FV}(A_n)$ there exists an $i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ such that $\alpha \in \mathrm{FV}(A_i)$.

existential formula if there is an $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, atomic formulas $A_i \neq \mathbf{false}$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ such that $\varphi = \forall \vec{\alpha}(A_1 \to A_2 \to \dots \to A_{n-1} \to \forall \beta(A_n \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false})$.

The set of formulas of System \mathbf{P} (= set of \mathbf{P} -formulas) over \mathcal{V}_P and \mathcal{P}_P is the set of all first-order formulas in $\mathcal{L}_{(\mathcal{V}_P,\emptyset,\mathcal{P})}$ that are either an atomic, universal or existential formula.

Definition 15. A finite set of **P**-formulas Γ is called **P**-basis, or basis if it is clear from the context whether a **P**-basis or a $\lambda 2$ -basis is meant.

For a **P**-basis Γ , another **P**-basis Σ , and a **P**-formula A we will abbreviate $\Gamma \cup \{A\}$ to Γ , A and $\Gamma \cup \Sigma$ to Γ , Σ (c.f. $\lambda 2$ -basis).

Definition 16. Let A be a **P**-formula, and Γ be a basis. The formula A is a <u>semantic consequence</u> of Γ , denoted by $\Gamma \vdash A$, if A can be produced using the following deduction rules.

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\operatorname{Axiom}) & \Gamma, A \vdash A \\ \\ (\to \operatorname{-Introduction}) & \frac{\Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \to B} \\ \\ (\to \operatorname{-Elimination}) & \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \to B \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash B} \\ \\ (\forall \operatorname{-Introduction}) & \frac{\Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha B} & \alpha \notin \operatorname{FV}(\Gamma) \\ \\ (\forall \operatorname{-Elimination}) & \frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha B}{\Gamma \vdash B \ [\alpha := b]} & b \in \mathcal{V}_P \end{array}$$

We define a more general consequence relation in which we demand that **false** is interpreted with \bot . In this relation existential formulas will behave like the name suggests. Formally:

Definition 17. Let Γ be a basis. The **P**-formula A is a semantic consequence with falsity of Γ , denoted by $\Gamma \vdash_f A$, if for every interpretation I

$$I \models \Gamma$$
 and $\mathbf{false}^I = \bot$ implies $I \models A$.

This allows us to add the following deduction rule.

$$(\exists \text{-Introduction}) \quad \frac{\Gamma, A [\alpha := a] \vdash_{\mathrm{f}} B}{\Gamma, A' := \forall \alpha (A \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false} \vdash_{\mathrm{f}} B} \quad a \notin FV(\Gamma, A', B)$$

Proof. Let $I = (\Delta, \cdot^I, \omega)$ be a model of $\Gamma, \forall \alpha(A \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false}$ with $\mathbf{false}^I = \bot$ and $a \in \mathcal{V}_P$ a variable such that $a \notin FV(\Gamma, A', B)$.

$$\begin{split} I &\models \Gamma, \forall \alpha (A \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false} \Rightarrow I \models \forall \alpha (A \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false} \\ &\Rightarrow (\forall \alpha (A \to \mathbf{false}))^I \to \mathbf{false}^I \\ &\Rightarrow (\forall \alpha (A \to \mathbf{false}))^I \to \bot \\ &\Rightarrow \neg (\forall \alpha (A \to \mathbf{false}))^I \\ &\Rightarrow \neg (\forall d \in \Delta \colon (A \to \mathbf{false})^{I[\alpha \mapsto d]}) \\ &\Rightarrow \exists d \in \Delta \colon \neg (A^{I[\alpha \mapsto d]} \to \mathbf{false}^{I[\alpha \mapsto d]}) \\ &\Rightarrow \exists d \in \Delta \colon \neg (\neg A^{I[\alpha \mapsto d]}) \\ &\Rightarrow \exists d \in \Delta \colon \neg (\neg A^{I[\alpha \mapsto d]}) \\ &\Rightarrow \exists d \in \Delta \colon A^{I[\alpha \mapsto d]} \end{split}$$

Together with $a \notin FV(\Gamma, A')$, it follows that $I[a \mapsto d]$ is a model of $\Gamma, A[\alpha := a]$. Which implies $I[a \mapsto d] \models B$. Since a is not free in B we conclude that I is also a model of B.

Definition 18. The problem to decide whether a given set of **P**-formulas is consistent, denoted by **CONS**, is defined as follows. Given a set of **P**-formulas Γ .

Does $\Gamma \vdash$ **false** not hold?

3.2 CONS is undecidable

We will show that $\mathbf{HALT} \leq \mathbf{CONS}$ then the undecidability of \mathbf{CONS} directly follows from the undecidability of \mathbf{HALT} . For a given two-counter automaton M we will effectively construct a \mathbf{P} -basis Γ_M such that

M terminates on input (0,0) iff $\Gamma_M \vdash \mathbf{false}$ holds in System \mathbf{P} .

Let $M = (\mathcal{Q}, Q_0, Q_f, R)$ be a two-counter automaton, w.l.o.g. $S, P, R_1, R_2, E, D \notin \mathcal{Q}$. In the following we will consider **P**-formulas over \mathcal{V}_P and \mathcal{P}_P , where $\mathcal{P}_P = \mathcal{Q} \uplus \{S, P, R_1, R_2, E, D\}$. We will abbreviate P(a, a) to P(a), note that this way we can use binary predicate symbols as unary ones.

The intended informal meaning for these new relation symbols is the following:

- The meaning of Q(a) is "a represents a configuration and Q is the state of this configuration".
- For $i \in \{1, 2\}$, $R_i(a, m)$ denotes that "the value of register i in the configuration represented by a is represented by m" (we call m anchor of a for register i).
- With S(a,b) we state that "b is a successor of a".
- The meaning of P(a,b) is "b is a predecessor of a".
- And E(a) marks "a as the end of chain".
- Finally D(a) states that "a is not the end of a chain".

For a configuration $C = \langle Q, m, n \rangle$ of M we define a set of **P**-formulas Γ_C . It contains the following formulas:

- Q(a)
- $R_1(a, a_0), P(a_{i-1}, a_i)$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$
- $R_2(a,b_0), P(b_{i-1},b_i)$ for $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$
- $D(a_i), D(b_i)$ for $i \in \{0, ..., m-1\}$ and $j \in \{0, ..., n-1\}$
- $E(a_m), E(b_n)$

Next we need sets of **P**-formulas for all possible transitions. For every $Q \in \mathcal{Q} \setminus \{Q_f\}$ and $r \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{Q}}$ we define $\Gamma_{Q,r}$. If r = +(1,Q') for some $Q' \in \mathcal{Q}$ then $\Gamma_{Q,+(1,Q')}$ contains the following formulas:

- $\forall \alpha \beta (Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to Q'(\beta))$ change of state
- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma \delta(Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\alpha, \gamma) \to R_1(\beta, \delta) \to P(\delta, \gamma))$ increment register 1
- $\forall \alpha \beta \delta(Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\beta, \delta) \to D(\delta))$ prevent zero in register 1
- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma (Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_2(\alpha, \gamma) \to R_2(\beta, \gamma))$ do not change the value register 2

If $r=-(1,Q_1,Q_2)$ for some $Q_1,Q_2\in\mathcal{Q}$ then $\Gamma_{Q,-(1,Q_1,Q_2)}$ contains the following formulas:

- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma (Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\alpha, \gamma) \to E(\gamma) \to Q_2(\beta))$ jump to Q_2 if register 1 is zero
- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma (Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\alpha, \gamma) \to E(\gamma) \to R_1(\beta, \gamma))$ if register 1 is zero it stays zero
- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma(Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\alpha, \gamma) \to D(\gamma) \to Q_1(\beta))$ change state to Q_1 if register 1 is greater zero
- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma \delta(Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\alpha, \gamma) \to D(\gamma) \to P(\gamma, \delta) \to R_1(\beta, \delta))$ decrement register 1 if possible
- $\forall \alpha \beta \gamma (Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_2(\alpha, \gamma) \to R_2(\beta, \gamma))$ do not change register 2 in both cases

For r=+(2,Q') for some $Q'\in\mathcal{Q}$ or $r=-(2,Q_1,Q_2)$ for some $Q_1,Q_2\in\mathcal{Q}$ the sets $\Gamma_{Q,r}$ are defined analogously.

We also need a set Γ_1 to ensure that our representation works correctly. The following formula are in Γ_1 :

- $\forall \alpha (\forall \beta (R_1(\alpha, \beta) \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false})$ every element represents a configuration so it has a value for register 1
- $\forall \alpha (\forall \beta (R_2(\alpha, \beta) \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false})$ every element represents a configuration so it has a value for register 2
- $\forall \alpha (\forall \beta (S(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \mathbf{false}) \rightarrow \mathbf{false})$ every element has a successor

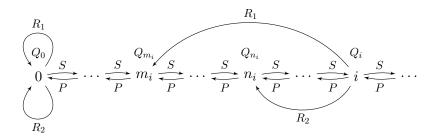
We define $\Gamma_{\overline{M}}$ as $\bigcup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q} \setminus \{Q_f\}} \Gamma_{Q,R(Q)} \cup \{ \forall \alpha (Q_f(\alpha) \to \mathbf{false}) \} \cup \Gamma_1$. We have added the formula $\forall \alpha (Q_f(\alpha) \to \mathbf{false})$ to be able to deduce \mathbf{false} if our automaton terminates. Finally we can define Γ_M as $\Gamma_{C_0} \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}}$, where $C_0 = \langle Q_0, 0, 0 \rangle$ is the initial configuration.

Claim 19.

$$\Gamma_M \vdash \mathbf{false} \ holds \ in \ system \ P \implies M \ terminates \ on \ input \ (0,0)$$

Proof. Assume M does not terminate then there is an infinite chain $C_0 \Rightarrow_M C_1 \Rightarrow_M C_2 \Rightarrow_M \cdots (C_i = \langle Q_i, m_i, n_i \rangle \text{ for } i \in \mathbb{N})$. Now we construct a model of Γ_M which interprets **false** with \bot this contradicts $\Gamma_M \vdash$ **false**.

To illustrate the idea we will use a graphical notation for an interpretation I. By $d_1 \stackrel{\mathrm{R}}{\to} d_2$ we say that $(d_1, d_2) \in R^I$. And we use $\frac{\mathrm{P}}{d}$ to say that $(d, d) \in P^I$ for predicate symbols that are used as unary predicate symbols. As domain for our interpretation we will use the natural numbers. Every number will have two tasks: firstly it will represent itself as a possible value for register 1 or 2 and secondly every number i will also represent the i^{th} configuration of our infinite computation. Now the idea for our model of Γ_M looks like this:



We have $0 \in E^I$ and all other numbers are in D^I . Here is the more formal definition of our model $I = (\mathbb{N}, \cdot^I, \omega)$.

$$\begin{split} P^I &= \{(i+1,i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\} & R^I_1 &= \{(i,m_i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\} & R^I_2 &= \{(i,n_i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\} \\ S^I &= \{(i,i+1) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\} & D^I &= \{(i,i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}^+\} & E^I &= \{(0,0)\} \\ Q^I &= \{(i,i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}, Q = Q_i\} & \text{false}^I &= \bot \end{split}$$

$$a^{I} = 0$$
 $a_{0}^{I} = 0$ $b_{0}^{I} = 0$

Since there are no free variables in Γ_M we can just set $\omega(x) = 0$ for every $x \in \mathcal{V}_P$. It is easy to see that I is indeed a model of Γ_M .

We proof the other direction by induction on the length of the computation. But to be able to use the induction hypothesis we need a slightly more general statement (this is why we defined $\Gamma_{\overline{M}}$ and not just Γ_M right away).

Claim 20. Let $C = \langle Q, m, n \rangle$ be a configuration of M. If a final configuration (i.e. a configuration $\langle Q_f, \widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \rangle$ for some $\widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \in \mathbb{N}$) is reachable from C then $\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash \mathbf{false}$.

Proof. By induction on the length i of the computation.

Induction Base: i = 0

Since a final configuration is reachable in 0 steps C must be this final configuration. So $C = \langle Q_f, m, n \rangle$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence, $Q_f(a)$ is in Γ_C for some $a \in \mathcal{V}_P$ and $\forall \alpha (Q_f(\alpha) \to \mathbf{false})$ is in $\Gamma_{\overline{M}}$, we can easily deduce false.

$$\frac{\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash \forall \alpha (Q_f(\alpha) \to \mathbf{false})}{\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash Q_f(a) \to \mathbf{false}} \qquad \Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash Q_f(a)}{\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash \mathbf{false}}$$

Induction Step: i = i' + 1

Since $I \models \mathbf{false}$ holds trivially if I interprets \mathbf{false} with \top we only need to consider models of $\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}}$ that interpret \mathbf{false} with \bot (note that there are no such models if M terminates which is exactly what we want to proof). As result of this observation we can use the \exists -Introduction rule.

From the fact that a final configuration is reachable from C in i steps we can deduce that there exists a configuration $D = \langle \widehat{Q}, \widehat{m}, \widehat{n} \rangle$ such that $C \Rightarrow_M^r D$ for some $r \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{Q}}$ and a final configuration is reachable from D in i' steps. We also know that $C = \langle Q, m, n \rangle$ for some $Q \in \mathcal{Q} \setminus \{Q_f\}$ and some $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. The set Γ_C contains the formulas:

$$R_1(a, a_0), P(a_{i-1}, a_i) \text{ and } D(a_{i-1}) \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, m\},$$

 $R_2(a, b_0), P(b_{i-1}, b_i) \text{ and } D(b_{i-1}) \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$
 $Q(a), E(a_m) \text{ and } E(b_n).$

And Γ_D contains the formulas:

$$R_1(\widehat{a}, \widehat{a}_0), P(\widehat{a}_{i-1}, \widehat{a}_i) \text{ and } D(\widehat{a}_{i-1}) \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, \widehat{m}\},$$

 $R_2(\widehat{a}, \widehat{b}_0), P(\widehat{b}_{i-1}, \widehat{b}_i) \text{ and } D(\widehat{b}_{i-1}) \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, \widehat{n}\},$
 $\widehat{Q}(\widehat{a}), E(\widehat{a}_{\widehat{m}}) \text{ and } E(\widehat{b}_{\widehat{n}}).$

The basic idea is to deduce Γ_D from $\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}}$ and then apply the induction hypothesis to $\Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}}$.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\ \hline \Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \cup \Gamma_D \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{false} \end{array} \quad \Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \Gamma_D \\ \hline \Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{false} \end{array}$$

We achieve this by looking at the four possible cases for the type of the rule r. We will only consider the cases r = +(1, Q') and $r = -(1, Q_1, Q_2)$, because the two remaining

cases r = +(2, Q') and $r = -(2, Q_1, Q_2)$ follow by exchanging the roles of register 1 and register 2 in the first two cases.

First we need a new free variable representing the configuration D. Also the value in register 2 does not change, because in both cases we are only concerned with register 1. For the succeeding tableau proofs we will abbreviate **false** by **f** and we will drop $\Gamma_C \cup \Gamma_{\overline{M}}$ and only write new formulas on the left side of $\vdash_{\mathbf{f}}$.

We first introduce a new variable representing the new configuration D (let $b \in \mathcal{V}_P \setminus \mathrm{FV}(\Gamma_C)$, note that $\mathrm{FV}(\Gamma_{\overline{M}}) = \emptyset$).

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \hline S(a,b) \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \forall \beta (S(a,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} (\forall \beta (S(a,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} (\forall \beta (S(a,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f}) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha (\forall \beta (S(\alpha,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f}) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \end{array}$$

Since register 2 should not change we need $R_2(b, b_0)$. Again we will just drop S(a, b) on the left side for comprehensibility.

$$\frac{ \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \gamma(Q(\alpha) \rightarrow S(\alpha,\beta) \rightarrow R_2(\alpha,\gamma) \rightarrow R_2(\beta,\gamma)) \\ \vdots \\ \hline R_2(b,b_0) \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_2(b,b_0) \rightarrow \mathbf{f} \end{array} } \frac{ \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \rightarrow S(a,b) \rightarrow R_2(a,b_0) \rightarrow R_2(b,b_0) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \rightarrow R_2(a,b_0) \rightarrow R_2(b,b_0) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_2(a,b_0) \rightarrow \mathbf{f} & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_2(b,b_0) \\ \hline \\ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \end{array} }$$

For the case that r = +(1, Q'), we have that $\widehat{Q} = Q'$, $\widehat{m} = m + 1$, and $\widehat{n} = n$. So we need to increment register 1 and ensure that the state of b is Q'.

$$\frac{\vdots}{ \begin{array}{c} Q'(b) \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q'(b) \to \mathbf{f} \end{array} } \begin{array}{c} \frac{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta (Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha,\beta) \to Q'(\beta))}{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \to S(a,b) \to Q'(b)} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \\ \hline & \frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \to Q'(b)}{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q'(b)} & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \\ \hline & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \end{array} }$$

To increment register 1 we need a new free variable as anchor for register 1 (let $d \in \mathcal{V}_P \setminus FV(\Gamma_C)$ and $d \neq b$).

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \hline R_1(b,d) \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \forall \beta(R_1(b,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} (\forall \beta(R_1(b,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f} \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha(\forall \beta(R_1(\alpha,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f}) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \beta(R_1(b,\beta) \to \mathbf{f}) \to \mathbf{f} \end{array}$$

Now we need to connect d with a_0 (the anchor of a for register 1).

$$\underbrace{\frac{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \gamma \delta(Q(\alpha) \rightarrow S(\alpha,\beta) \rightarrow R_1(\alpha,\gamma) \rightarrow R_1(\beta,\delta) \rightarrow P(\delta,\gamma))}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \rightarrow S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow R_1(b,d) \rightarrow P(d,a_0) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a)} }_{\vdots} \underbrace{\frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow R_1(b,d) \rightarrow P(d,a_0) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b)}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow R_1(b,d) \rightarrow P(d,a_0) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0)}}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,d) \rightarrow P(d,a_0) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,d)} \underbrace{\frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,d) \rightarrow P(d,a_0) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,d)}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} P(d,a_0)}}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f}}$$

At last we have to make sure that we do not get an artificial zero. We achieve this by deducing D(d).

$$\underbrace{\frac{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \delta(Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha, \beta) \to R_1(\beta, \delta) \to D(\delta))}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \to S(a, b) \to R_1(b, d) \to D(d) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a)}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a, b) \to R_1(b, d) \to D(d) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a, b)} \underbrace{\frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a, b) \to R_1(b, d) \to D(d) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a, b)}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b, d) \to D(d) \quad \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b, d)}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} D(d)}}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f}}$$

Now we already have deduced Γ_D , to see why define $\widehat{a} := b$, $\widehat{b}_i := b_i$ for $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$, $\widehat{a}_0 := d$, and $\widehat{a}_{i+1} := a_i$ for $i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$. Hence we can deduce **false** by induction hypothesis.

The other case, that $r = -(Q, 1, Q_1, Q_2)$, has to be split into two cases again. If m = 0 then $\hat{Q} = Q_2$, $\hat{m} = 0$, and $\hat{n} = n$. We only need to ensure that the successor state is Q_2 and that register 1 is still zero.

$$\underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \gamma(Q(\alpha) \to S(\alpha,\beta) \to R_1(\alpha,\gamma) \to E(\gamma) \to Q_2(\beta)) \\ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \to S(a,b) \to R_1(a,a_0) \to E(a_0) \to Q_2(b) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \\ \vdots & \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \to R_1(a,a_0) \to E(a_0) \to Q_2(b) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \\ \hline Q_2(b) \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} & \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \to E(a_0) \to Q_2(b) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q_2(b) \to \mathbf{f} & \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} E(a_0) \to Q_2(b) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} E(a_0) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q_2(b) & \\ \hline \end{array} }_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f}$$

Register 1 stays zero.

$$\underbrace{\frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \gamma(Q(\alpha) \rightarrow S(\alpha,\beta) \rightarrow R_1(\alpha,\gamma) \rightarrow E(\gamma) \rightarrow R_1(\beta,\gamma))}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \rightarrow S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow E(a_0) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_0)}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow E(a_0) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_0)} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b)}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_0) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}} \underbrace{\frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow E(a_0) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_0)}{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_0)}}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_0)}}_{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_0)}$$

If we define $\widehat{a} := b$, $\widehat{b}_i := b_i$ for $i \in \{0, ..., n\}$, and $\widehat{a}_0 := a_0$ then it is clear that we have deduced all formulas required for Γ_D . So we can use the induction hypothesis to deduce **false**.

In the last case m > 0, so $\widehat{Q} = Q_1$, $\widehat{m} = m - 1$, and $\widehat{n} = n$. First we ensure that b is in state Q_1 .

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \frac{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \gamma(Q(\alpha) \rightarrow S(\alpha,\beta) \rightarrow R_1(\alpha,\gamma) \rightarrow D(\gamma) \rightarrow Q_1(\beta))}{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \rightarrow S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow D(a_0) \rightarrow Q_1(b)} & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \\ \vdots & \frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow D(a_0) \rightarrow Q_1(b)}{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow D(a_0) \rightarrow Q_1(b)} & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \\ \hline P_{\mathbf{f}} Q_1(b) \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} & \frac{\vdash_{\mathbf{f}} D(a_0) \rightarrow Q_1(b)}{ \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q_1(b)} & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} D(a_0) \\ \hline & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f} \end{array}$$

Now we decrement register 1 by taking a_1 (the predecessor of a_0) as anchor of b for register 1.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} \forall \alpha \beta \gamma \delta(Q(\alpha) \rightarrow S(\alpha,\beta) \rightarrow R_1(\alpha,\gamma) \rightarrow D(\gamma) \rightarrow P(\gamma,\delta) \rightarrow R_1(\beta,\delta)) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \rightarrow S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow D(a_0) \rightarrow P(a_0,a_1) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_1) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} Q(a) \\ \hline & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \rightarrow R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow D(a_0) \rightarrow P(a_0,a_1) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_1) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} S(a,b) \\ \hline \vdots & & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \rightarrow D(a_0) \rightarrow P(a_0,a_1) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_1) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(a,a_0) \\ \hline \vdots & & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} D(a_0) \rightarrow P(a_0,a_1) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_1) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} D(a_0) \\ \hline \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{f} & & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} P(a_0,a_1) \rightarrow R_1(b,a_1) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} P(a_0,a_1) \\ \hline \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{f} & & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} R_1(b,a_1) & \vdash_{\mathbf{f}} P(a_0,a_1) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Again it is obvious that we have deduced Γ_D ($\widehat{a} := b$, $\widehat{b}_i := b_i$ for $i \in \{0, ..., n\}$, and $\widehat{a}_{i-1} := a_i$ for $i \in \{1, ..., m\}$). Hence, by induction hypothesis, we can deduce **false**. \square

Lemma 21.

M terminates on input (0,0) iff $\Gamma_M \vdash \mathbf{false}$ holds in system P.

Proof. The \Leftarrow directions is proven in Claim 19. And the \Rightarrow direction is a direct consequence of Claim 20 with $C = \langle Q_0, 0, 0 \rangle$.

Theorem 22. CONS is undecidable.

Proof. Since by Lemma 21 for a given two-counter automaton M we can effectively construct a set of **P**-formulas Γ_M such that M terminates on input (0,0) iff Γ_M is not consistent. It follows that $\mathbf{HALT} \leq \mathbf{CONS}$. Since \mathbf{HALT} is undecidable we have shown that \mathbf{CONS} is undecidable too.

4 INHAB is undecidable

Now we can show that the inhabitation problem in $\lambda 2$ is undecidable by reducing **CONS** to **INHAB**. Given a **P**-basis Γ we construct a $\lambda 2$ -basis $\overline{\Gamma}$ such that

$$\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{false}$$
 iff $\overline{\Gamma} \vdash \mathbf{false}$

where false

Definition 23. For a **P**-basis Γ and a $\lambda 2$ type t we define a set $\mathcal{U}(t)$, it contains the ????

$$(x_t:t\to\eta_2)$$

and for every P in Predicate symbols of Γ , $i \in \{1, 2\}$ the ???

$$(x_{t,p_i}:(t\to p_i)\to \eta_1).$$

Definition 24. We define a function ...

For a **P**-formula A, if A is an atomic formula then

$$\overline{A} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{false} & \text{if } A = \mathbf{false} \\ (\alpha \to p_1) \to (\beta \to p_2) \to p & \text{if } A = P(\alpha, \beta) \end{cases}$$

if A is an universal formula, it follows that there is an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and atomic formulas A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n such that $A = \forall \vec{\alpha}(A_1 \to A_2 \to \cdots \to A_n)$, then

$$\overline{A} = \forall \vec{\alpha}(\mathcal{U}(\vec{\alpha}) \to \overline{A_1} \to \overline{A_2} \to \cdots \to \overline{A_n})$$

if A is an existential formula, it follows that for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ and some atomic formulas A_1, \ldots, A_n it holds that $A = \forall \vec{\alpha}(A_1 \to \cdots \to A_{n-1} \to \forall \beta((A_n) \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false})$, then

$$\overline{A} = \forall \vec{\alpha}(\mathcal{U}(\vec{\alpha}) \to \overline{A_1} \to \cdots \to \forall \beta(\mathcal{U}(\beta) \to \overline{A_n} \to \mathbf{false}) \to \mathbf{false})$$

For a **P**-basis Γ we define $\overline{\Gamma}$ as $\{\overline{A} \mid A \in \Gamma\} \cup \{\mathcal{U}(a) \mid a \in FV(\Gamma)\}.$

Claim 25. Let α , β be type-variables, x a value-variable, and Γ a basis such that β is not a target in Γ . Furthermore assume that Γ , $(x : \alpha \to \beta) \vdash e : \beta$ for some term e. It follows that there exists a Γ' such that $\Gamma \subseteq \Gamma'$, Γ , $(x : \alpha \to \beta) \vdash t$ for each $t \in \{t \mid (x : t) \in \Gamma'\}$, and Γ' , $(x : \alpha \to \beta) \vdash e' : \alpha$ for some term e'.

Proof. By induction on the size of the term e.

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