



# **Towards Confluence of DPRSs by Critical Pairs**

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overlap of DPRS  $\mathcal{R}$  is octuple  $\langle \ell_1 \to r_1, p, q, \overline{x_n}, \delta, \gamma, U, \ell_2 \to r_2 \rangle$  such that

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- **5** either  $p \in \mathcal{P}os_{\mathcal{F}}(\ell_2)$ ,  $q = \epsilon$ ,  $\gamma = \epsilon$ , U = U'

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- ② if  $p = \epsilon$  then  $\ell_1 \rightarrow r_1$  and  $\ell_2 \rightarrow r_2$  are not variants
- ③ BV $(\ell_2,p)=\overline{x_n}$  and  $\delta$  is  $\overline{x_n}$ -lifter of  $\ell_1$  away from FV $(\ell_2)$
- 4 U' is minimal complete set of unifiers of  $\overline{x_n}.\ell_1\delta$  and  $\ell_2\gamma|_{pq}$
- ⑤ either  $p \in \mathcal{P}os_{\mathcal{F}}(\ell_2)$ ,  $q = \epsilon$ ,  $\gamma = \epsilon$ , U = U' or q = 1 and
  - $\qquad \qquad \bullet \ \ell_2|_{\rho} = \overline{x_n}.y(\overline{s_m}) \ \text{where} \ y \notin \{\overline{x_n}\} \ \text{and} \ \{\overline{s_m}\} \nsubseteq \{\overline{x_n} \uparrow\}$
  - ▶  $\gamma = \{y \mapsto \overline{y_m}.y''(y'(\overline{y_m}\uparrow), \overline{y_m}\uparrow)\}$  where  $y' : \overline{\sigma_m} \to b$  and  $y'' : (b, \overline{\sigma_m}) \to a$  are fresh variables with  $y : \overline{\sigma_m} \to a$  and  $\ell_1 : b$
  - ▶  $U = U' \setminus U''$  such that for all  $\theta \in U'' \subseteq U$
  - ① if  $\theta(y') = \overline{y_m} \cdot v$  and  $y_i \in FV(v)$  then  $s_i \in \{\overline{x_n} \uparrow\}$  or ②  $(\overline{x_n} \cdot y'(\overline{s_m}))\theta \in \{\overline{x_n} \cdot s_i \mid 1 \leqslant i \leqslant m\}$

▶ critical peak for overlap  $\langle \ell_1 \rightarrow r_1, p, q, \overline{x_n}, \delta, \gamma, U, \ell_2 \rightarrow r_2 \rangle$  and  $\theta \in U$ 

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 $ightharpoonup CP(\mathcal{R})$  denotes set of critical pairs of DPRS  $\mathcal{R}$ 



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- critical pairs (modulo symmetry)

$$\neg x \approx \neg x$$
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 $\neg x \Rightarrow \bot \approx x$   $\neg (x \Rightarrow \bot) \approx x$ 
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\text{repl}(y.G(H_2(\neg y,H_1(\neg y) \Rightarrow \bot),\neg y),x) \approx G(\text{repl}(z.H_2(x \Rightarrow \bot,\neg z),H_1(x \Rightarrow \bot)),x \Rightarrow \bot)$$

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# Corollary

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$$\operatorname{repl}_{\mathbb{N}}(Y,x) = Y(x) + x + 1$$
  $\neg_{\mathbb{N}}(x) = x + 2$   $\Rightarrow_{\mathbb{N}}(x,y) = x + y + 1$   $\bot_{\mathbb{N}} = 0$ 

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