Program Verification: Lecture 23

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Let us see an example of a parametric Hoare triple involving a slight modification of the CHOICE module in Lecture 16.

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Skeirik, Stefanescu and Meseguer at UIUC have in turn made reachability logic *rewrite-theory-independent* by defining it for rewrite theories \mathcal{R} .

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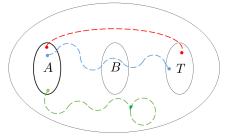
Sequents

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- (1) a rewrite theory \mathcal{R}
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Then $A \longrightarrow^{\circledast} B$ means: for each state $[t] \in \llbracket A \rrbracket$ and rewrite path p from [t], either: (1) p crosses $\llbracket B \rrbracket$ or (2) p is infinite



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The key ideas are: (i) to prove $A \longrightarrow^\circledast B$ we may need some auxiliary lemmas. Call $\mathcal C$ the formulas $A \longrightarrow^\circledast B$ plus these lemmas; (ii) we start with labeled sequents of the form $[\emptyset,\ \mathcal C] \vdash_T u \mid \varphi \longrightarrow^\circledast \bigvee_i v_i \mid \psi_i$ for all formulas in $\mathcal C$; (iii) the first component (\emptyset) are the formulas we can assume as axioms (none); (iv) the second $(\mathcal C)$ the formulas we need to prove and cannot yet assume; (v) the Step+Subsumption rule allows us to inductively assume $\mathcal C$ after a rewrite step with rules $R=\{l_j\to r_j\ if\ \phi_j\}$.

Proof Rules

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