



Chapter 3 solution

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Chapter 3, Problem 1P

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Write another recursive definition for the language L_1 of Chapter 2.

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Step-by-step solution

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Recursive definition:

$$L_1 = \{x, xy, xxy, xxx, xxxxy, \dots\}$$

The language Rule 1 : x is in L_1

Rule 2 : If x is in L_1 , then so x^{n+1} for $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

So, the alternative form of L_1 is,

$$L_1 = \{x^{n+1} \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

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Using the second recursive definition of the set EVEN, how many different ways can we prove that 14 is in EVEN?

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Step-by-step solution

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According to the second recursive definition for the set EVEN, if a and b are even then $a + b$ is also even.


Rule 1: 2 is an even number.

Rule 2: If a is an EVEN number and b is an EVEN number, then $a + b$ is also an EVEN number.

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Based on the above definition, there are different ways to prove that 14 is EVEN. Some of them are as follows:

I)

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=2$, the sum $2+2 = 4$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=4$, the sum $2+4 = 6$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=4$, $y=4$, the sum $4+4 = 8$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=6$, $y=8$, the sum $6+8 = 14$ is EVEN

II)

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=2$, the sum $2+2 = 4$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=4$, $y=4$, the sum $4+4 = 8$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=8$, $y=4$, the sum $8+4 = 12$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=12$, $y=2$, the sum $12+2 = 14$ is EVEN

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III)

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=2$, the sum $2+2 = 4$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=4$, $y=4$, the sum $4+4 = 8$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=8$, the sum $2+8 = 10$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=10$, $y=4$, the sum $10+4 = 14$ is EVEN

IV)

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=2$, the sum $2+2 = 4$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=2$, $y=4$, the sum $2+4 = 6$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=6$, $y=6$, the sum $6+6 = 12$ is EVEN

Rule 2: $x=12$, $y=2$, the sum $12+2 = 14$ is EVEN

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Using the second recursive definition of EVEN, what is the smallest number of steps required to prove that 100 is EVEN? Describe a good method for showing that $2n$ is in EVEN.

Step-by-step solution

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The second recursive definition of EVEN is:

Rule 1 2 is in EVEN.

Rule 2 If x and y are both in EVEN then so is $x+y$ (even if x and y have the same number)

Hence, for the number 100,

By Rule 1 2 is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=2, y=2 \rightarrow 4$ is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=4, y=2 \rightarrow 6$ is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=6, y=4 \rightarrow 10$ is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=10, y=10 \rightarrow 20$ is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=20, y=20 \rightarrow 40$ is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=40, y=40 \rightarrow 80$ is in the set EVEN

By Rule 2 $x=80, y=20 \rightarrow 100$ is in the set EVEN

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\therefore 100 is in set EVEN The total number of steps required to prove that 100 is in the set EVEN is

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To show $2n$ is even,

For $n=1, 2n = 2$ which is EVEN

For $n=2, 2n = 4$, By Rule 2: $x=2, y=2, 2+2 = 4$ is in EVEN

For $n=3, 2n = 6$, By Rule 2: $x=2, y=4, 2+4 = 6$ is in EVEN

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If ' n ' is even

$x=2, y=n \rightarrow 2n$ is EVEN

If ' n ' is odd

$x=2, y=n+1 \rightarrow 2n$ is EVEN

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Rule 2 If x is in EVEN, then so is $x + 4$.

Step-by-step solution

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Recursive definition of set EVEN

By Rule 2: 14 is in EVEN, then $14+4 = 18$ is in EVEN


By Rule 2: 14 is in EVEN, then $14+4 = 18$ is in EVEN

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Hence it is another recursive definition of the set EVEN

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Show that there are infinitely many different recursive definitions for the set EVEN.

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Step-by-step solution

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Recursive definitions for any set can be defined by the following three steps,

1. Specify the base case as basic words in the set.
2. Construct new cases or words by applying recursive rules.
3. No other words/objects constructed by rule 1 and Rule 2 will be in this language.

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Step 2 of 7 ^

Recursive definitions for EVEN set are:

Case 1 : Base case is in EVEN set is that 2 is the even number.

Case 2 : $EVEN = \{ \text{All positive whole numbers divisible by 2} \}$

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Step 3 of 7 ^

The set EVEN is defined by these rules,

Rule 1 : Base case : 2 is EVEN.

Rule 2 : Construct new words : If x is in EVEN, then so $a + 2$

Rule 3 : The set EVEN will contain only the words constructed by the rule 1 and rule 2.

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Step 4 of 7 ^

There would be many different recursive approaches for the set EVEN.

Example 1:

To prove this, take an example 10 is in EVEN

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 2, 2 + 2 = 4$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 4, 4 + 2 = 6$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 6, 6 + 2 = 8$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 8, 8 + 2 = 10$ EVEN

Recursively Rule 2 is followed.

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Recursively Rule 2 is followed.

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Step 6 of 7 ^

Example 2:

Another recursive approach, to show that 10 is in EVEN.

Rule 1 : 2 is EVEN

Rule 2 : If a is any whole number multiply it with 2. Then $a * 2 = \text{EVEN}$.

Eg : 10 is in EVEN

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Consider, $x = 5$, $5 * 2 = 10$ EVEN (Direct Method)

Rule 2: $a = 2$, $2 + 2 = 2$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 2$, $2 + 2 = 4$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 4$, $4 + 2 = 6$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 6$, $6 + 2 = 8$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 8$, $8 + 2 = 10$ EVEN

Use Recursive definition approach, 5 times recursively call the Rule 2.

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Example 3:

Another recursive approach, to show that 10 is in EVEN.

Rule 1: 2 is EVEN

Rule 2: If a is any whole number and b is also a whole number and both are EVEN,

then $a + b = \text{EVEN}$

Rule 2: $a = 2$, $b = 2$, $2 + 2 = 4$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 4$, $b = 2$, $4 + 2 = 6$ EVEN

Rule 2: $a = 6$, $b = 4$, $6 + 4 = 10$ EVEN

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Step 7 of 7 ^

From the example1, example2 and example 3, it is proved that there are many approaches to prove EVEN using recursive approach.

Thus, there are many different recursive definitions for the set EVEN

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Using any recursive definition of the set EVEN, show that all the numbers in it end in the digits 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8.

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Step-by-step solution

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1) Basic step:

$0 \in \text{EVEN}$ by definition, therefore the property is true of the zero' the step since $0 \in \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$

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2) Induction hypothesis:

Assume that the last digit of $(m+2) \in \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$ for $0 < m < n$

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3) Induction step:

n	$\in \text{EVEN}$
0	2
1	4
2	6
3	8
4	10

n	$\in \text{EVEN}$
n	$2n+2$
n+1	$(2n+2)+2$
n+1	$2(n+1)+2$

$\therefore 0+2=2, 2+2=4, 4+2=6, 6+2=8, 8+2=10 \in \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$

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The set POLYNOMIAL defined in this chapter contains only the polynomials in the one variable x . Write a recursive definition for the set of all polynomials in the two variables x and y .



Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 1

The recursive definition for set of polynomials for two variables x and y is defined as,

Rule 1 : Any number is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 2 : Variable ' x ' is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 3 : Variable ' y ' is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 4 : If p and q are in POLYNOMIALS, then so are $p+q$, $p-q$, p and pq

Now consider an example to illustrate this definition,

$$5x^2 + 9y^2 + 7y + 3x - 9$$

Rule 1 : 5 is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 2 : x is in POLYNOMIAL

$$5x^2 + 9y^2 + 7y + 3x - 9$$

Rule 1 : 5 is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 2 : x is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 4 : $(5x)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL ; call it $5x^2$

Rule 1 : 9 is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 3 : y is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 4 : $(9y)(y)$ is in POLYNOMIAL ; call it $9y^2$

Rule 1 : 3 is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 4 : $(3)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 1 : 7 is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 4 : $(7)(y)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 1 : -9 is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 4 : $5x^2 + 9y^2 + 7y + 3x - 9$ is in POLYNOMIAL

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Define the set of valid algebraic expressions ALEX as follows:

Rule 1 All polynomials are in ALEX.

Rule 2 If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are in ALEX, then so are:

(i) $f(x)$

(ii) $-f(x)$

(iii) $f(x) + g(x)$

(iv) $f(x) - g(x)$

(v) $f(x)g(x)$

(vi) $f(x)/g(x)$

(vii) $f(g(x))$

(viii) $f(g(x))$

a) Show that $(x + 2) - 3x$ is in ALEX.

b) Show that elementary calculus contains enough rules to prove the theorem that all algebraic expressions can be differentiated.

c) Is Rule 2 (viii) really necessary?



Step-by-step solution

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Consider the following rules:

Rule 1: All polynomials are in ALEX.

Rule 2: If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are in ALEX, then so are:

(i) (x)

(ii) $-(x)$

(iii) $f(x) + g(x)$

(iv) $f(x) - g(x)$

(v) $f(x)g(x)$

(vi) $f(x)/g(x)$

(vii) $f(x)^{g(x)}$

(viii) $f(g(x))$

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(a)

Consider the following polynomial: $(x+2)^{3x}$

Assume, $x+2 = f(x)$ and $3x = g(x)$.

- Both expressions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are polynomials. By Rule 1, $(x+2)$ and $3x$ are in ALEX.
- From Rule 2, $(x+2)^{3x}$ is in the form of $f(x)^{g(x)}$, where $f(x) = x+2$ and $g(x) = 3x$.

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(b)

The statement of the theorem is that "All algebraic expressions can be differentiated".

Algebraic expressions are the expressions containing constants, variable, elementary arithmetic operations, factorial, integer and rational exponent and n^{th} roots.

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(b)

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Constants:

- The expression containing constants are the expressions containing only numbers.
- These are the expressions containing the terms without variables.
- The value of constant expression never changes.

Ex: 3, 4, 5, -2 etc.

Variables:

- The expression containing variables are the expressions containing symbol for representing a number.
- The value of variable can be changed when required.

Ex: x, y, z, a etc.

Elementary arithmetic expressions:

- The mathematical expressions containing variables, numbers and operations are elementary arithmetic expressions.
- The arithmetic expressions are addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Ex: $x + y, 3 + 5, 2x + 3y, x - 5, 3 / 2, 5x \cdot 3y$ etc.

Factorial:

- The factorial of an integer is the product of integers less than or equal to it.
- The multiplication between two constant values is also a constant which can be represented in an expression.

Ex: $5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$ etc.

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Integer and rational exponents:

- The integer exponent of an expression is the product of the expression specified by the integer exponential value.
- The rational exponent of an expression is the product of the expression specified by the fractional exponential value.
Ex: $3^2 = 3 \times 3$, $x^3 = x \times x \times x$, $5^{-3} = \frac{1}{5^3} = \frac{1}{5 \times 5 \times 5}$ etc.

n^{th} roots:

- The n^{th} roots of an expression is the number that should be multiplied n times itself to equal a given value.
Ex:

$$\sqrt[5]{32} = (32)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$= (2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$= (2^5)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$= 2$$

As the algebraic expression for elementary calculus satisfies the enough rules required for differentiating the theorem is satisfied.

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(c)

The rule $f(g(x))$ is not really necessary because, the expression is in the form of $f(x)$, with the value of input x is $g(x)$. Here, the output of $g(x)$ is the input of $f(x)$.

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Using the fact that $3x^2 + 7x - 9 = (((((3)x) + 7)x) - 9)$, show how to produce this polynomial from the rules for POLYNOMIAL using multiplication only twice. What is the smallest number of steps needed for producing $x^6 + x^4$? What is the smallest number of steps needed for $7x^7 + 5x^5 + 3x^3 + x$?

Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 3

$$3x^2 + 7x - 9 = (((((3)x) + 7)x) - 9)$$

Rules for POLYNOMIAL

Rule 1: Any number is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 2: The variable x is in POLYNOMIAL

Rule 3: If p and q are in POLYNOMIAL, then so are $p + q$, $p - q$, (p) , and $p \cdot q$

By rule 1: 3 is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: (3) is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 2: x is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $((3)x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL; call it $3x$

By rule 1: 7 is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $((3)x) + 7$ is in POLYNOMIAL; call it $3x + 7$

By rule 3: $((3)x + 7)$ is in POLYNOMIAL; call it $(3x + 7)$

By rule 3: $((3)x + 7)x$ is in POLYNOMIAL; call it $(3x + 7)x$ i.e., $3x^2 + 7x$

By rule 1: -9 is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $3x^2 + 7x - 9$ is in POLYNOMIAL

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By rule 3: $((3)x + 7)x$ is in POLYNOMIAL; call it $(3x + 7)x$

By rule 3: $((3x + 7)x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL; call it $(3x + 7)x$ i.e., $3x^2 + 7x$

By rule 1: -9 is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $3x^2 + 7x - 9$ is in POLYNOMIAL

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$$x^8 + x^4$$

By rule 2: x is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(x)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL; x^2

By rule 3: $(x^2)(x^2)$ is in POLYNOMIAL; x^4

By rule 3: $x^4 + 1$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(x^4)(x^4 + 1)$ is in POLYNOMIAL; $x^8 + x^4$

By rule 3: $x^8 + x^4$ is in POLYNOMIAL

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$$7x^7 + 5x^5 + 3x^3 + x$$

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$$7x^7 + 5x^5 + 3x^3 + x$$

By rule 1: 7 is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 2: x is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(7)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(7x)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(7x^3)(x^2)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 1: (x^3) is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(7x^4)(x^2)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(7x^7)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 1: $+5$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $+(5)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $+(5)(x^4)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $+(5x^5)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 1: $+3$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: x is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 1: (x^2) is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $+(3)(x)(x^2)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $+3x^3$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $7x^7 + 5x^5 + 3x^3$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $7x^7 + 5x^5 + 3x^3 + x$ is in POLYNOMIAL

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Show that if n is less than 31, then x^n can be shown to be in POLYNOMIAL in fewer than eight steps.

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Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 1

By rule 2: x is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(x)(x)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(xx)(xx)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(xxxx)(xxxx)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(xxxxxxxx)(xxxxxxxx)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

By rule 3: $(xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)(xxxxxxxx)$ is in POLYNOMIAL


By rule 3: $(xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)(xxxx)$ is in POLYNOMIAL

Only it takes less than 8 steps.

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In this chapter, we mentioned several substrings of length 2 that cannot occur in arithmetic expressions, such as $(/, +)$, $//$, and $*/$. What is the complete list of substrings of length 2 that cannot occur?



Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 1 ^

The main idea to exclude the substrings of length 2 that cannot occur is that two operators, or two operands cannot occur together.

It means that if the substring is like: (operand) operator (operand) then it is accepted.

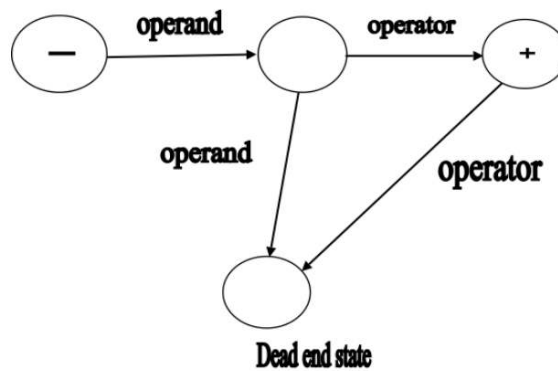


Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 1 ^

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It means that if the substring is like: (operand) operator (operand) then it is accepted.



Thus, (operator)(operator) and (operand)(operand) is rejected. The substrings such as: $(/, +)$, $//$, $*/$ will be rejected in the same way.

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Are there any substrings of length 3 that cannot occur that do not contain forbidden substrings of length 2? (This means that $///$ is already known to be illegal because it contains the forbidden substring $///$.) What is the longest forbidden substring that does not contain a shorter forbidden substring?

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Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 1 ^

There are no substrings of length 3 that cannot occur that do not contain forbidden strings of length 2.

The longest forbidden substring that does not contain a shorter forbidden substring is:

$\{xx, xxx\}^*$

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The rules given earlier for the set AE allow for the peculiar expressions $(((((9))))))$ and $-(-(-(9))))$

It is not really harmful to allow these in AE, but is there some modified definition of AE that eliminates this problem?

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Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 2 ^

Consider the two arithmetic expressions $(((((9))))))$ and $-(-(-(9))))$. These two arithmetic expressions are allowed as per the rules specified for the Arithmetic Expressions (AE).

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Consider the two arithmetic expressions $(((((9))))))$ and $-(-(-(9))))$. These two arithmetic expressions are allowed as per the rules specified for the Arithmetic Expressions (AE).

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The strings $(((((9))))))$ and $-(-(-(9))))$ are not harmful to allow in AE because these two strings are not ambiguous.

The Rule 2 in the definition of AE should be modified to eliminate the peculiar expressions. The following is the modified Rule 2 for the AE:

Rule 2 If x is in AE, then so are

- (i) (x) (Provided x does not already start with a '(' and does not end with a ')')
- (Provided x does not already start with '-' and does not end with a ')')
- (ii) $-x$ (Provided x does not already start with a minus sign)

The remaining two rules (Rule 1 and Rule 3) remains same.

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i) Write out the full recursive definition for the propositional calculus that contains the symbols \vee and \wedge as well as \neg and \rightarrow

ii) What are all the forbidden substrings of length 2 in this language?

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Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 3 ^

Recursive definitions for any set can be defined by the following three steps:

- Specify the base case as basic words in the set.
- Construct new cases or words by applying recursive rules.
- No other words/objects constructed by rule 1 and Rule 2 will be in this language.

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The full recursive definition for the propositional calculus that contains the symbols \vee and \wedge as well as \neg and \rightarrow is as follows:

(i)

$$((\neg x \vee x) \rightarrow (\neg y \wedge y))$$

Now follow the rules of recursive definitions for the propositional calculus:

Rule 1: Any letter is a WFF.

Thus, from the rule 1, x and y are the WFF.

Rule 2: If x is a WFF, then (x) and $\neg x$ are also WFF.

Rule 2: If y is a WFF, then (y) and $\neg y$ are also WFF.

Rule 2: If x and $\neg x$ are WFF, then $\neg x \vee x$ are also WFF.

Rule 2: If y and $\neg y$ are WFF, then $\neg y \wedge y$ are also WFF.

Rule 2: If $\neg x \vee x$ and $\neg y \wedge y$ are WFF, then $(\neg x \vee x) \rightarrow (\neg y \wedge y)$ are also WFF.

Here, x, y, \wedge, \vee, \neg are in calculus.

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(ii)

Forbidden sub-string is in simple words, counting the parentheses. In the above string, there is no forbidden sub-string in this language.

- In the above string, $(\neg x \vee x)$ is a sub-string that is complete.
- Another sub-string is $(\neg y \wedge y)$ that is also complete.
- At the end, take the last sub-string, $((\neg x \vee x) \rightarrow (\neg y \wedge y))$ that is also complete.

Thus, it is proved that the above string $((\neg x \vee x) \rightarrow (\neg y \wedge y))$ does not contain any forbidden sub-string.

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(i) When asked to give a recursive definition for the language PALINDROME over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$, a student wrote:

Rule 1 a and b are in PALINDROME.

Rule 2 If x is in PALINDROME, then so are axa and $bx b$.

Unfortunately, all the words in the language defined above have an odd length and so it is not all of PALINDROME. Fix this problem.

(ii) Give a recursive definition for the language EVENPALINDROME of all palindromes of even length.

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Step-by-step solution

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i) Rule 1 : a, b are in PALINDROME

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i) Rule 1 : a, b are in PALINDROME

Rule 2 : If x is in PALINDROME, so $axa, bx b$

The set of PALINDROME = $\{ \epsilon, a, b, aa, bb, aaa, aba, bab, bbb, aaaa, abba, \dots \}$

We have added the Null string to rule 1 it allows us to have strings of the form aa since Null string can be substituted for x in axa (per Rule 2 x is in PALINDROME and Null string meets that requirement). Once we prove that aa is in PALINDROME we can build all the other EVEN PALINDROMES as well.

Consider example for even length Palindrome

axa

$aaxaa$ [from rule 2]

$aaaa$ [from rule 1]

Hence it supports both even and odd length PALINDROME.

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ii) The set of EVEN PALINDROME is as shown,

$\{^, aa, bb, aaaa, bbbb, abba, baab, \dots\}$

Rule 1 : aa and bb are in EVENPALINDROME.

Rule 2 : If x is in EVENPALINDROME, then so are axa, bxb.

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(i) Give a recursive definition for the set $ODD = \{1\ 3\ 5\ 7\ \dots\}$,

(ii) Give a recursive definition for the set of strings of digits 0, 1, 2, 3, . . . 9 that cannot start with the digit 0.

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Recursive function to generate the ODD positive integers:

Base step: $f(1) = 1$

Recursive Step:

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Recursive Step:

$$\begin{aligned} f(n+1)+1 &= f(n)+f(1)+1 \\ &= f(n)+1+1 \\ &= f(n)+2 \end{aligned}$$

Consider two rules:

Rule 1: 1 is odd

Rule 2: If x is odd, then x+2 is odd

Proof:

1 is odd \rightarrow Rule1

3 is odd \rightarrow Rule2(1 + 2 = 3)

5 is odd \rightarrow Rule2(3 + 2 = 5)

7 is odd \rightarrow Rule2(5 + 2 = 7)

$\therefore \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}$ are ODD Integers.

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Recursive function to generate the positive integers cannot start with 0:

Assume that two strings 0 and 1 are POSITIVE

Consider the two rules

Rule 1: 0 and 1 are in positive

Rule 2: If x is not zero and in positive, then x + 1 are positive.

Proof:

0 and 1 are Positive \rightarrow Rule1

1 is positive \rightarrow Rule1, But not 0

2 is in positive \rightarrow Rule 2 (1 + 1 = 2)

3 is in positive \rightarrow Rule 2 (2 + 1 = 3)

4 is in positive \rightarrow Rule 2 (3 + 1 = 4)

$\therefore \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots, n\}$ are Positive Integers.

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