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Introduction

1.1 Preliminaries

The language of a first-order formula A is denoted by $L(A)$ and contains all predicate, constant, function and free variable symbols that occur in A . These are also referred to as the *non-logical symbols* of A .

An occurrence of Φ -term is called *maximal* if it does not occur as subterm of another Φ -term.

\bar{x} denotes x_1, \dots, x_n .

1.2 Craig Interpolation

Theorem 1.1 (Interpolation). *Let Γ and Δ be sets of first-order formulas such that $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ is unsatisfiable. Then there exists a first-order formula I , called interpolant, such that*

1. $\Gamma \models I$
2. $\Delta \models \neg I$
3. $L(I) \subseteq L(\Gamma) \cap L(\Delta)$. \square

In the context of interpolation, every non-logical symbol is assigned a color which indicates the its origin(s). A non-logical symbol is said to be Γ (Δ)-*colored* if it only occurs in Γ (Δ) and *grey* in case it occurs in both Γ and Δ .

The Resolution Calculus

2.1 Resolution

Resolution calculus, in the formulation as given here, is a sound and complete calculus for first-order logic with equality. Due to the simplicity of its rules, it is widely used in the area of automated deduction.

Definition 2.1. A *clause* is a finite set of literals. The empty clause will be denoted by \square . A *resolution refutation* of a set of clauses Γ is a derivation of \square consisting of applications of resolution rules (cf. figure 2.1) starting from clauses in Γ . \triangle

Theorem 2.2. A clause set Γ is unsatisfiable if and only if there is resolution refutation of Γ .

Proof. See [Rob65]. \square

Clauses will usually be denoted by C or D , literals by l .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Resolution: } & \frac{C \vee l \quad D \vee \neg l'}{(C \vee D)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l') \\
 \text{Factorisation: } & \frac{C \vee l \vee l'}{(C \vee l)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l') \\
 \text{Paramodulation: } & \frac{C \vee s = t \quad D[r]}{(C \vee D[t])\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(s, r)
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure 2.1: The rules of resolution calculus

2.2 Resolution and Interpolation

In order to apply resolution to arbitrary first-order formulas, they have to be converted to clauses first. This usually makes use of intermediate normal forms which are defined as follows:

Definition 2.3. A formula is in *Negation Normal Form (NNF)* if negations only occur directly before of atoms. A formula is in *Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)* if it is a conjunction of disjunctions of literals. \triangle

In this context, the conjuncts of a CNF-formula are interpreted as clauses. A well-established procedure for the translation to CNF is comprised of the following steps:

1. NNF-Transformation
2. Skolemisation
3. CNF-Transformation

Step 1 can be achieved by solely pushing the negation inwards. As this transformation yields an equivalent formula, it clearly has no effect on the interpolants. Step 2 and 3 on the other hand do not produce equivalent formulas since they introduce new symbols. In this section, we will show that they nonetheless do preserve the set of interpolants. This fact is vital for the use of resolution-based methods for interpolant computation of arbitrary formulas.

2.2.1 Interpolation and Skolemisation

Skolemisation is a procedure for replacing existential quantifiers with Skolem terms:

Definition 2.4. Let $V_{\exists x}$ be the set of universally bound variables in the scope of the occurrence of $\exists x$ in a formula. The skolemisation of a formula A in NNF, denoted by $\text{sk}(A)$, is the result of replacing every occurrence of an existential quantifier $\exists x$ in A by a term $f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ where f is a new Skolem function symbol and $V_{\exists x} = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$. In case $V_{\exists x}$ is empty, the occurrence of $\exists x$ is replaced by a new Skolem constant symbol c .

The skolemisation of a set of formulas Φ is defined to be $\text{sk}(\Phi) = \{\text{sk}(A) \mid A \in \Phi\}$. \triangle

Proposition 2.5. Let $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ be unsatisfiable. Then I is an interpolant for $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ if and only if it is an interpolant for $\text{sk}(\Gamma) \cup \text{sk}(\Delta)$.

Proof. Since $\text{sk}(\cdot)$ adds fresh symbols to both Γ and Δ individually, none of them are contained in $L(\text{sk}(\Gamma)) \cap L(\text{sk}(\Delta))$. Therefore condition 3 of theorem 1.1 is satisfied in both directions.

As for any set of formulas Φ , each model of Φ can be extended to a model of $\text{sk}(\Phi)$ and every model of $\text{sk}(\Phi)$ is a witness for the satisfiability of Φ , $\Phi \models I$ iff $\text{sk}(\Phi) \models I$. Hence conditions 1 and 2 of theorem 1.1 remain satisfied for I as well. \square

2.2.2 Interpolation and structure-preserving Normal Form Transformation

A common method for transforming a skolemised formula A into CNF while preserving their structure is defined as follows:

Definition 2.6. For every occurrence of a subformula B of A , introduce a new atom L_B which acts as a label for the subformula. For each of them, create a defining clause D_B :

If B is atomic:

$$D_B \equiv (\neg B \vee L_B) \wedge (B \vee \neg L_B)$$

If B is $\neg G$:

$$D_B \equiv (L_B \vee L_G) \wedge (\neg L_B \vee \neg L_G)$$

If B is $G \wedge H$:

$$D_B \equiv (\neg L_B \vee L_G) \wedge (\neg L_B \vee L_H) \wedge (L_B \vee \neg L_G \vee \neg L_H)$$

If B is $G \vee H$:

$$D_B \equiv (L_B \vee \neg L_G) \wedge (L_B \vee \neg L_H) \wedge (\neg L_B \vee L_G \vee L_H)$$

If B is $G \supset H$:

$$D_B \equiv (L_B \vee L_G) \wedge (L_B \vee \neg L_H) \wedge (\neg L_B \vee \neg L_G \vee L_H)$$

If B is $\forall xG$:

$$D_B \equiv \forall x(\neg L_B \vee L_G) \wedge \forall x(L_B \vee \neg L_G)$$

Let $\delta(A)$ be defined as $\bigwedge_{B \in \Sigma(A)} D_B \wedge L_A$, where $\Sigma(A)$ denotes the set of occurrences of subformulas of A . \triangle

Proposition 2.7. *Let A be a formula. Then $\text{sk}(A)$ is unsatisfiable if and only if $\delta(\text{sk}(A))$ is unsatisfiable.*

Proposition 2.8. *Let $\text{sk}(\Gamma) \cup \text{sk}(\Delta)$ be unsatisfiable. Then I is an interpolant for $\text{sk}(\Gamma) \cup \text{sk}(\Delta)$ if and only if I is an interpolant for $\delta(\text{sk}(\Gamma)) \cup \delta(\text{sk}(\Delta))$.*

Proof. As δ introduces fresh symbols for each $\text{sk}(\Gamma)$ and $\text{sk}(\Delta)$, they must not occur in any interpolant of $\text{sk}(\Gamma)$ and $\text{sk}(\Delta)$. This establishes condition 3 of theorem 1.1 in both directions.

Using proposition 2.7, condition 1 and 2 of theorem 1.1 are immediate. \square

does it suffice to not treat universal quantifiers specifically here? (subterms have free variables; possibly need to mention to just pull universal quantifiers outwards to get prenex form and drop quantifiers)

Proof by Reduction

Instead of proving the result from first principles, we can here reduce the problem of finding interpolants for first-order logic with equality to first-order logic *without* equality, where it is simpler to give an appropriate algorithm.

The general layout of this approach is the following: From two sets Γ and Δ where $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ is unsatisfiable, we compute Γ' and Δ' which do not make use of equality but simulate equality it via axioms. In the process of this transformation, also function symbols are replaced by predicate symbols with appropriate axioms to make sure that their behaviour is compatible to the one of functions. Now an interpolant of Γ' and Δ' can be derived with an algorithm that is only capable of handling predicate symbols, as all other symbols have been removed. Since the additional axioms ensure that the newly added predicate symbols mimic equality and functions respectively, we will see that their occurrences in the interpolant can be translated back to first-order logic with equality in the language of Γ and Δ , thereby yielding the originally desired interpolant.

3.1 Reduction to first-order logic without equality

As we shall see in this section, first-order formulas with equality can be transformed into first-order formulas without equality in a way that is satisfiability-preserving, which is sufficient for our purposes.

First we define the axioms which allow for simulation of equality and functions in first order logic without equality and function symbols:

$\Gamma \models I$
 $\Delta \models \neg I$
 $L(I) \subseteq L(\Gamma) \cap L(\Delta)$
to show:
- can find I' such
that I' is inter-
polant between Γ'
and Δ' .
- $\Phi' \models I'$ implies
 $\Phi \models I$ ($\Phi', \neg I' \models$
 \perp implies $\Phi, \neg I \models$
 \perp)

Definition 3.1. For first-order formulas A and a fresh predicate symbol E , we define:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FAx}(A) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigwedge_{f \in \text{FS}(A)} \forall \bar{x} \exists y (F_f(\bar{x}, y) \wedge (\forall z (F_f(\bar{x}, z) \supset E(z, y)))) \\ \text{EAx}(A) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall x E(x, x) \wedge \\ &\quad \bigwedge_{\substack{P \in \text{PS}(A) \cup \{E\} \cup \\ \{F_f | f \in \text{FS}(A)\}}} \forall x_1 \dots \forall x_{\text{ar}(P)} \forall y_1 \dots \forall y_{\text{ar}(P)} \\ &\quad ((E(x_1, y_1) \wedge \dots \wedge E(x_{\text{ar}(P)}, y_{\text{ar}(P)})) \supset \\ &\quad (P(x_1, \dots, x_{\text{ar}(P)}) \Leftrightarrow P(y_1, \dots, y_{\text{ar}(P)}))) \end{aligned}$$

For sets of first-order formulas Φ and $h \in \{\text{FAx}, \text{EAx}\}$, $h(\Phi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{A \in \Phi} h(A)$. \triangle

Definition 3.2. Let A be a first-order formula. Then $T(A)$ is the result of applying the following algorithm to A :

1. Replace every occurrence of $t = s$ in A by $E(t, s)$
 2. As long as there is an occurrence of a function symbol f in A :
 Let B be the atom in which f occurs.
 Then B is of the form $P(s_1, \dots, s_{j-1}, f(\bar{t}), s_{j+1}, \dots, s_m)$.
 Replace B in A by $\exists y F_f(\bar{t}, y) \wedge P(s_1, \dots, s_{j-1}, y, s_{j+1}, \dots, s_m)$ for a variable y which does not occur free in B .
- For sets of first-order formulas Φ , $T(\Phi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{A \in \Phi} T(A)$. \triangle

The inversion of this transformation will be denoted by T^{-1} .

Proposition 3.3. Φ is satisfiable if and only if $\text{FAx}(\Phi) \cup \text{EAx}(\Phi) \cup T(\Phi)$ is satisfiable.

Proof. Suppose Φ is satisfiable. Let M be a model of Φ . We show that $\text{FAx}(\Phi) \cup \text{EAx}(\Phi) \cup T(\Phi)$ is satisfiable by extending M to satisfy this formula.

First, let $M \models E(x, y)$ if and only if $M \models x = y$. By reflexivity of equality, it follows that $M \models \forall x E(x, x)$ and since equality of all arguments implies the same truth value for predicates, we get that M is a model of $\text{EAx}(A)$.

Second, let $M \models F_f(\bar{x}, y)$ if and only if $M \models f(\bar{x}) = y$ for all $f \in \text{FS}(A)$. Since M is a model of A , it maps f to a function, which returns a unique result for every combination of parameters. Hence M is also a model of $\text{FAx}(A)$.

By the above definition of E in M , step 1 of the algorithm in definition 3.2 yields a formula that is satisfied by M . For step 2, suppose $P(s_1, \dots, s_{j-1}, f(\bar{t}), s_{j+1}, \dots, s_m)$ does (not) hold under M . Let y such that $M \models f(\bar{t}) = y$. By our definition of F under M , $M \models F_f(\bar{t}, y)$ with this unique y . Hence $\exists y F_f(\bar{t}, y) \wedge P(s_1, \dots, s_{j-1}, y, s_{j+1}, \dots, s_m)$ does (not) hold under M .

For the other direction, suppose $\text{FAx}(\Phi) \cup \text{EAx}(\Phi) \cup T(\Phi)$ is satisfiable. We again extend a model M of this formula to a model of Φ .

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3.1.1 Notes

Let A be a first-order formula.

Let $U(E)$ be the conjunction of all $\forall \bar{x} \exists y F_i(\bar{x}, y) \wedge (\forall z F_i(\bar{x}, z) \supset z = y)$ for $f_i \in \text{FS}(E)$.

Let E' be inductively defined as follows: If E does not contains an occurrence of a function symbol, let $E' = E$. Otherwise let f_i be a maximal occurrence of a function symbol and A be the atom in which it occurs. Then A is of the form $P(s_1, \dots, s_{j-1}, f_i(\bar{t}), s_{j+1}, \dots, s_n)$. Let E_F be E where A is replaced by $\exists y F_i(\bar{t}, y) \wedge P(s_1, \dots, s_{j-1}, y, s_{j+1}, \dots, s_n)$ and $E' = E'_F$.

Clearly $E \models A$ iff $U(E) \wedge E' \models A$.

Let $I(E)$ denote a conjunction between $\forall x x = x$ and for all $P \in \text{PS}(E)$, $\forall \bar{x}, \bar{y} x_1 = y_1 \supset \dots \supset x_n = y_n \supset P(\bar{x}) \supset P(\bar{y})$, where n is the arity of P . If $U(E) \wedge E' \models A$, also $I(E) \wedge U(E) \wedge E' \models A$.

As $E \models A$ iff $I(E) \wedge U(E) \wedge (E) \models A$, E is unsatisfiable iff $I(E) \wedge U(E) \wedge E'$ is. Note that this does not rely on equality and contains no function symbols. Hence by the interpolation theorem for first-order logic without equality, there is an interpolant for $(\bigcup_{A \in \Gamma} I(A) \wedge U(A) \wedge A) \cup (\bigcup_{A \in \Delta} I(A) \wedge U(A) \wedge A)$ for unsatisfiable $\Gamma \cup \Delta$. Since the equality axioms added via I ensure a valid interpretation of the equality symbol and the F_i can be translated back to f_i in a natural way (as guaranteed by the U), the interpolant we receive is also an interpolant for $\Gamma \cup \Delta$. Note that by adding the axiom of reflexivity to both Γ and Δ , it is contained in the intersection of the languages and hence is allowed to appear in the interpolant, which is required.

how to state?

more verbose and precise

Proofs

4.1 WT: Interpolation extraction in one pass

easy for constants, just as in huang but in one pass

terms can grow unpredictably, order cannot be determined during pass

4.2 WT: Interpolation extraction in two passes

4.2.1 huang proof revisited

propositional part

Let $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ be unsatisfiable. Let π be a proof of \square from $\Gamma \cup \Delta$. Then PI is a function that returns a interpolant w.r.t. the current clause.

Definition 4.1. θ is a *propositional interpolant* with respect to a clause C in a resolution refutation π of $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ if

1. $\Gamma \models \theta \vee C$
2. $\Delta \models \neg \theta \vee C$
3. $\text{PS}(\theta) \subseteq (\text{PS}(\Gamma) \cap \text{PS}(\Delta)) \cup \{\top, \perp\}$. Δ

The third condition will sometimes be referred to as *language restriction*. It is easy to see that a propositional interpolant with respect to \square is a propositional interpolant, i.e. it is an interpolant without the language restriction on constant, variable and function symbols.

We proceed by defining a procedure PI which extracts interpolants from a resolution refutation.

Definition 4.2. PI is defined as follows:

Base case. If $C \in \Gamma$, $\text{PI}(C) = \perp$. If otherwise $C \in \Delta$, $\Delta(C) = \top$.

add this to the definition, i.e. possible define rel prop interpol from prop interpol

Resolution. Suppose the clause C is the result of a resolution step. Then it has the following form:

If the clause C is the result of a resolution step of $C_1 : D \vee l$ and $C_2 : E \vee \neg l'$ using a unifier σ such that $l\sigma = l'\sigma$, then $\text{PI}(C)$ is defined as follows:

change to "is Γ -colored?"

1. If $\text{PS}(l) \in \text{L}(\Gamma) \setminus \text{L}(\Delta)$: $\text{PI}(C) = [\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2)]\sigma$
2. If $\text{PS}(l) \in \text{L}(\Delta) \setminus \text{L}(\Gamma)$: $\text{PI}(C) = [\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)]\sigma$
3. If $\text{PS}(l) \in \text{L}(\Gamma) \cap \text{L}(\Delta)$: $\text{PI}(C) = [(l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma$

Factorisation. If the clause C is the result of a factorisation of $C_1 : l \vee l' \vee D$ using a unifier σ such that $l\sigma = l'\sigma$, then $\text{PI}(C) = \text{PI}(C_1)\sigma$.

Paramodulation. If the clause C is the result of a paramodulation of $C_1 : s = t \vee C$ and $C_2 : D[r]$ using a unifier σ such that $r\sigma = s\sigma$, then $\text{PI}(C)$ is defined according to the following case distinction:

1. If r occurs in a maximal Δ -term $h(r)$ in $D[r]$ and $h(r)$ occurs more than once in $D[r] \vee \text{PI}(D[r])$:
 $\text{PI}(C) = [(s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \vee (s = t \wedge h(s) \neq h(t))$
2. If r occurs in a maximal Γ -term $h(r)$ in $D[r]$ and $h(r)$ occurs more than once in $D[r] \vee \text{PI}(D[r])$:
 $\text{PI}(C) = [(s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \wedge (s \neq t \vee h(s) = h(t))$
3. Otherwise:
 $\text{PI}(C) = [(s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \quad \Delta$

Proposition 4.3. *Let C be a clause of a resolution refutation. Then $\text{PI}(C)$ is a propositional interpolant with respect to C .*

Proof. Proof by induction on the number of rule applications including the following strengthenings: $\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C) \vee C_\Gamma$ and $\Delta \models \neg \text{PI}(C) \vee C_\Delta$, where D_Φ denotes the clause D with only the literals which are contained in $\text{L}(\Phi)$. They clearly imply conditions 1 and 2 of definition 4.1.

Base case. Suppose no rules were applied. We distinguish two possible cases:

1. $C \in \Gamma$. Then $\text{PI}(C) = \perp$. Clearly $\Gamma \models \perp \vee C_\Gamma$ as $C_\Gamma = C \in \Gamma$, $\Delta \models \neg \perp \vee C_\Delta$ and \perp satisfies the restriction on the language.
2. $C \in \Delta$. Then $\text{PI}(C) = \top$. Clearly $\Gamma \models \top \vee C_\Gamma$, $\Delta \models \neg \top \vee C_\Delta$ as $C_\Delta = C \in \Delta$ and \top satisfies the restriction on the language.

Suppose the property holds for n rule applications. We show that it holds for $n+1$ applications by considering the last one:

Resolution. Suppose the last rule application is an instance of resolution. Then it is of the form:

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee l \quad C_2 : E \vee \neg l'}{C : (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad l\sigma = l'\sigma$$

By the induction hypothesis, we can assume that:

$$\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C_1) \vee (D \vee l)_\Gamma$$

$$\Delta \models \neg \text{PI}(C_1) \vee (D \vee l)_\Delta$$

$$\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C_2) \vee (E \vee \neg l')_\Gamma$$

$$\Delta \models \neg \text{PI}(C_2) \vee (E \vee \neg l')_\Delta$$

We consider the respective cases from definition 4.2:

1. $\text{PS}(l) \in L(\Gamma) \setminus L(\Delta)$: Then $\text{PI}(C) = [\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2)]\sigma$.

As $\text{PS}(l) \in L(\Gamma)$, $\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D_\Gamma \vee l)\sigma$ as well as $\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_2) \vee E_\Gamma \vee \neg l')\sigma$.

By a resolution step, we get $\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma \vee ((D \vee E)\sigma)_\Gamma$.

Furthermore, as $\text{PS}(l) \notin L(\Delta)$, $\Delta \models (\neg \text{PI}(C_1) \vee D_\Delta)\sigma$ as well as $\Delta \models (\neg \text{PI}(C_2) \vee E_\Delta)\sigma$. Hence it certainly holds that $\Delta \models (\neg \text{PI}(C_1) \vee \neg \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma \vee (D \vee E)\sigma_\Delta$.

The language restriction clearly remains satisfied as no nonlogical symbols are added.

2. $\text{PS}(l) \in L(\Delta) \setminus L(\Gamma)$: Then $\text{PI}(C) = [\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)]\sigma$.

As $\text{PS}(l) \notin L(\Gamma)$, $\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D_\Gamma)\sigma$ as well as $\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_2) \vee E_\Gamma)\sigma$. Suppose that in a model M of Γ , $M \not\models D_\Gamma$ and $M \not\models E_\Gamma$. Then $M \models \text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)$. Hence $\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma \vee ((D \vee E)\sigma)_\Gamma$.

Furthermore due to $\text{PS}(l) \in L(\Delta)$, $\Delta \models (\neg \text{PI}(C_1) \vee D_\Delta \vee l)\sigma$ as well as $\Delta \models (\neg \text{PI}(C_2) \vee E_\Delta \vee \neg l')\sigma$. By a resolution step, we get $\Delta \models (\neg \text{PI}(C_1) \vee \neg \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma \vee (D_\Delta \vee E_\Delta)\sigma$ and hence $\Delta \models \neg(\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma \vee (D_\Delta \vee E_\Delta)\sigma$.

The language restriction again remains intact.

3. $\text{PS}(l) \in L(\Delta) \cap L(\Gamma)$: Then $\text{PI}(C) = [(l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma$

First, we have to show that $\Gamma \models [(l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \vee ((D \vee E)\sigma)_\Gamma$. Suppose that in a model M of Γ , $M \not\models D_\Gamma$ and $\Gamma \not\models E$. Otherwise we are done. The induction assumption hence simplifies to $M \models \text{PI}(C_1) \vee l$ and $M \models \text{PI}(C_2) \vee \neg l'$ respectively. As $l\sigma = l'\sigma$, by a case distinction argument on the truth value of $l\sigma$, we get that either $M \models (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma$ or $M \models (\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))\sigma$.

Second, we show that $\Delta \models ((l \vee \neg \text{PI}(C_1)) \wedge (\neg l' \vee \neg \text{PI}(C_2)))\sigma \vee ((D \vee E)\sigma)_\Delta$. Suppose again that in a model M of Δ , $M \not\models D_\Delta$ and $\Gamma \not\models E_\Delta$. Then the required statement follows from the induction hypothesis.

The language condition remains satisfied as only the common literal l is added to the interpolant.

Factorisation. Suppose the last rule application is an instance of factorisation. Then it is of the form:

$$\frac{C_1 : l \vee l' \vee D}{C_1 : (l \vee D)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l')$$

Then the propositional interpolant $\text{PI}(C)$ is defined as $\text{PI}(C_1)$. By the induction hypothesis, we have:

$$\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C_1) \vee (l \vee l' \vee D)_\Gamma$$

$$\Delta \models \text{PI}(C_1) \vee (l \vee l' \vee D)_\Delta$$

It is easy to see that then also:

$$\Gamma \models (\text{PI}(C_1) \vee (l \vee D)_\Gamma)\sigma$$

$$\Delta \models (\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma \vee (l \vee D)_\Delta)\sigma$$

The restriction on the language trivially remains intract.

Paramodulation. Suppose the last rule application is an instance of paramodulation. Then it is of the form:

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee s = t \quad C_2 : E[r]}{C : (D \vee E[t])\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(s, r)$$

By the induction hypothesis, we have:

$$\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C_1) \vee (D \vee s = t)_\Gamma$$

$$\Delta \models \neg \text{PI}(C_1) \vee (D \vee s = t)_\Delta$$

$$\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C_2) \vee (E[r])_\Gamma$$

$$\Delta \models \neg \text{PI}(C_2) \vee (E[r])_\Delta$$

First, we show that $\text{PI}(C)$ as constructed in case 3 of the definition is a propositional interpolant in any of these cases:

$$\text{PI}(C) = (s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))$$

Suppose that in a model M of Γ , $M \not\models D\sigma$ and $M \not\models E[t]\sigma$. Otherwise we are done. Furthermore, assume that $M \models (s = t)\sigma$. Then $M \not\models E[r]\sigma$, but then necessarily $M \models \text{PI}(C_2)\sigma$.

On the other hand, suppose $M \models (s \neq t)\sigma$. As also $M \not\models D\sigma$, $M \models \text{PI}(C_1)\sigma$. Consequently, $M \models [(s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \vee [(D \vee E)_\Gamma]\sigma$

By an analogous argument, we get $\Delta \models [(s = t \wedge \neg \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \neg \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \vee [(D \vee E)_\Delta]\sigma$, which implies $\Delta \models [(s \neq t \vee \neg \text{PI}(C_2)) \wedge (s = t \vee \neg \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma \vee ((D \vee E)_\Delta)\sigma$

The language restriction again remains satisfied as the only predicate, that is added to the interpolant, is $=$.

This concludes the argumentation for case 3.

The interpolant of case 1 differs only by an additional formula added via a disjunction and hence condition 1 of definition 4.1 holds by the above reasoning. As the

adjoined formula is a contradiction, its negation is valid which in combination with the above reasoning establishes condition 2. Since no new predicated are added, the language condition remains intact.

The situation in case 2 is somewhat symmetric: As a tautology is added to the interpolant with respect to case 1, condition 1 is satisfied by the above reasoning. For condition 2, consider that the negated interpolant of case 1 implies the negated interpolant of this case. The language condition again remains intact. \square

proof that we are allowed to overbind

TODO: define procedure

TODO: proof

overbinding

Algorithm (input: propositional interpolant θ):

1. Let t_1, \dots, t_n be the maximal occurrences of noncommon terms in θ . Order t_i ascendingly by term size.
2. Let θ^* be θ with maximal occurrences of Δ -terms r_1, \dots, r_k replaced by fresh variables x_1, \dots, x_k and maximal occurrences of Γ -terms s_1, \dots, s_{n-k} by fresh variables x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n .
3. Return $Q_1x_1, \dots, Q_nx_n\theta^*$, where Q_i is \forall if t_i is a Δ -term and \exists otherwise.

Language condition easily established. To prove:

$$\Gamma \models Q_1x_1, \dots, Q_nx_n\theta^*$$

$$\Delta \models \neg Q_1x_1, \dots, Q_nx_n\theta^*$$

We know that θ works, just the terms are missing.

4.3 Attempt without P_P

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Definition 4.4. Overline as in paper, replace Δ -terms t_1, \dots, t_k by respective fresh variables in parenthesis \triangle

Lemma 4.5. $(\overline{C\sigma}(x_1, \dots, x_n))$ reduces to $(\overline{C}(x_1, \dots, x_n))\sigma'$, where $\sigma' = \sigma[t_1/x_1] \dots [t_n/x_n]$.
 $(\overline{C}(x_1, \dots, x_n))\sigma$ reduces to $(\overline{C\sigma'}(x_1, \dots, x_n))$ if σ does not change any of x_1, \dots, x_n or any of t_1, \dots, t_n .

it would work to fix substitutions of x_i by substituting t_i for that instead, as long as the result isn't another t_i , but this isn't actually relevant here.

Proposition 4.6. $\Gamma = \overline{\Gamma}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

Proof. By definition, Δ -terms only appear in Δ and not in Γ . □

Lemma 4.7. $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C) \vee C}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

Proof. By induction on the resolution refutation.

Base case: Either $C \in \Gamma$, then it does not contain Δ -terms. Otherwise $C \in \Delta$ and $\text{PI}(C) = \top$.

Induction step:

Resolution.

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee l \quad C_2 : E \vee \neg l'}{C : (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad l\sigma = l'\sigma$$

By the induction hypothesis, we can assume that:

$$\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee (D \vee l)}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_2) \vee (E \vee \neg l')}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

1. $\text{PS}(l) \in \text{L}(\Gamma) \setminus \text{L}(\Delta)$: Then $\text{PI}(C) = [\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2)]\sigma$.

We show that $\Gamma \models \overline{(\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2) \vee D \vee E)\sigma}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$. This is by lemma 4.5 with σ' as in the lemma equivalent to $\Gamma \models \overline{(\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2) \vee D \vee E)}(x_1, \dots, x_n)\sigma'$.

By Lemma 11 (Huang) and the induction hypothesis,

$$\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)} \vee \overline{D} \vee \overline{l}$$

$$\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)} \vee \overline{E} \vee \overline{\neg l'}$$

$$\text{As } l\sigma = l'\sigma, \overline{l}\sigma = \overline{l'}\sigma.$$

Hence $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)} \vee \overline{D} \vee \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)} \vee \overline{E}$ and again by Lemma 11 (Huang), $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D \vee \text{PI}(C_2) \vee E}$.

Also $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D \vee \text{PI}(C_2) \vee E}\sigma$. As t_1, \dots, t_n do not appear in $\overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D \vee \text{PI}(C_2) \vee E}$ and these are the only variables where σ and σ' differs, we get that $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D \vee \text{PI}(C_2) \vee E}\sigma'$.

2. $\text{PS}(l) \in L(\Delta) \setminus L(\Gamma)$: Then $\text{PI}(C) = [\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)]\sigma$.

We show that $\Gamma \models \overline{((\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee D \vee E)\sigma(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$. By lemma 4.5 with σ' as in the lemma, $\Gamma \models \overline{((\text{PI}(C_1) \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee D \vee E)(x_1, \dots, x_n)\sigma'}$.

TODO

Paramodulation.

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee s = t \quad C_2 : E[r]}{C : (D \vee E[t])\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(s, r)$$

By the induction hypothesis, we have:

$$\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee (D \vee s = t)}$$

$$\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_2) \vee (E[r])}$$

easy case: $\text{PI}(C) = [(s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))]\sigma$

to show: $\Gamma \models \overline{[(s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))] \vee (D \vee E[t])\sigma}$

proof idea: either $s = t$, then also $\text{PI}(C_2)$, or else $s \neq t$, but then also $\text{PI}(C_1)$

by lemma 4.5 for σ' as in lemma, $\Gamma \models \overline{((s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1))) \vee (D \vee E[t])\sigma'}$

by lemma 11 (huang) $\Gamma \models \overline{((\bar{s} = \bar{t} \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)}) \vee (\bar{s} \neq \bar{t} \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)})) \vee (\bar{D} \vee \bar{E}[t])\sigma'}$

reformulate: $\Gamma \models \overline{((\bar{s}\sigma' = \bar{t}\sigma' \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma'}) \vee (\bar{s}\sigma' \neq \bar{t}\sigma' \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma'})) \vee (\bar{D}\sigma' \vee \bar{E}[t]\sigma')}$

By the rule: $s\sigma = r\sigma$, hence also $\bar{s}\sigma = \bar{r}\sigma$ and $\bar{s}\sigma' = \bar{r}\sigma'$ REALLY TRUE? – think so...

Suppose $M \models \Gamma$ and $M \not\models (\bar{D}\sigma' \vee \bar{E}[t]\sigma')$.

Suppose $M \models \bar{s}\sigma' = \bar{t}\sigma'$.

By induction hypothesis (and lemma 11 (huang) and adding the substitution σ'), $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma' \vee (E[r])\sigma'}$.

However by assumption $\Gamma \not\models \overline{E[t]\sigma'}$.

Hence $\Gamma \not\models \overline{E[s]\sigma'}$, and $\Gamma \not\models \overline{E[r]\sigma'}$. Therefore $\Gamma \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma'}$.

Suppose on the other hand $M \models \bar{s}\sigma' \neq \bar{t}\sigma'$.

By the induction hypothesis, $M \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma' \vee (\bar{D}\sigma' \vee (\bar{s} = \bar{t})\sigma')}$, hence then $M \models \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma'}$.

Consequently, $M \models \overline{(\bar{s}\sigma' \neq \bar{t}\sigma' \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma'}) \vee (\bar{s}\sigma' = \bar{t}\sigma' \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma'})}$.

By lemma 11 (huang), $M \models \overline{(s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)) \vee (s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma'}$.

Hence $\Gamma \models \overline{(s \neq t \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)) \vee (s = t \wedge \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma' \vee (\bar{D} \vee \bar{E}[t])\sigma'}$.

IS THIS REALLY WHAT I NEED TO SHOW?

□

4.3.1 final step of huang's proof

Theorem 4.8. $Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_n z_n \text{PI}(\Box)^*(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ is a craig interpolant (order as in huang).

Proof. By lemma 4.7, $\Gamma \models \forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \overline{\text{PI}(\Box)}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

The terms in $\overline{\text{PI}(\Box)}$ are either among the x_i , $1 \leq i \leq n$ or grey terms or Γ -terms. Let t be a maximal Γ -term in $\overline{\text{PI}(\Box)}$. Then it is of the form $f(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{n_x}}, u_1, \dots, u_{n_u}, v_1, \dots, v_{n_v})$, where f is Γ -colored, the x_j are as before, the u_j are grey terms and the v_j are Γ -terms. Note that the Δ -terms, which are replaced by the $x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{n_x}}$ are of strictly smaller size than t as they are “strict” subterms of t .

In $\text{PI}(\Box)^*$, t will be replaced by some z_j , which is existentially quantified. For this z_j , t is a witness as due to the quantifier ordering, all the $x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{n_x}}$ will be quantified before the existential quantification of z_j . Therefore $\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_n z_n \text{PI}(\Box)^*(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ □

basically only need
the x_j

Overbinding in one step

Conjecture 5.1. *Suppose every variable occurs only once in $\Gamma \cup \Delta$. Then the order of the quantifiers for $\text{PI}(\Box)^*$ does not matter.*

Proposition 5.2. *Let $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be an atom in a relative interpolant. A variable occurs in one of the x_i if and only if there are atoms $A(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ and $A(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ in Γ and Δ respectively, where x_i can be unified with z_i and y_i such that there is still a variable at that location.*

This means that either the term structure above the variable is the same in the original clauses or there are some variables. Intended meaning: the original clauses prove at least the x_i , i.e. are at least as or more general.

Special case for outermost variables:

Let $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be an atom in a relative interpolant. An x_i is a variable if and only if there are atoms $A(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ and $A(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ in Γ and Δ respectively, where y_i and z_i are variables.

need more narrow version: clauses do appear in parent clauses in derivation.

Proposition 5.3. *Suppose in a partial interpolant, there are two maximal terms t_1 and t_2 such that w.l.o.g. t_1 is smaller (as defined in 5.5) than t_2 . Then in the final interpolant, an overbinding can be defined where the variable corresponding to t_1 is quantified over before the variable corresponding to t_2 is.*

The subterm-relation is reflexive.

Definition 5.4. (OLD) Let s be a term that is in $\text{PI}(C)$ but not in any predecessor $\text{PI}(C_i)$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$. s is smaller than a term t in $\text{PI}(C)$ if s is of strictly smaller length than t and there is a subterm in s which also occurs in t . \triangle

Definition 5.5. (NEW)

Let C be a clause.

A maximal term s of C is smaller than a maximal term t of C if s is a variable and occurs in t , but $s \neq t$.

△

5.1 Half-baked approaches

Definition 5.6. Direct interpolation extraction.

This version of overline and star does NOT overbind variables! If they happen to be in the final interpolant, just overbind them somehow, but not earlier. This is ok as the interpolant only contains variables if both corresponding atoms in Γ and Δ do. Variables are the only terms in the interpolant that can “change their color”, so we don’t know a priori if there are constraints on the quantifier to overbind them with.

Convention w.r.t. a clause C which has been derived from C_1 and C_2 : $\bar{Q}_n = Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_n z_n$, such that the z_i correspond to the maximal terms t_i in $\text{PI}(C)$. Same terms must be overbound by same variable, see 101a for counterexample to per-occurrence-overbinding. The z_i are ordered such that

1. the orderings in the Q_{n_1} and Q_{n_2} are respected (no circular relations can occur in combination with merging as a term is only smaller than another term if it is smaller in length as well, which excludes cycles)
2. as well as ordering constraints of terms newly introduced in $\text{PI}(C)$ (i.e. those that were not present in $\text{PI}(C_1)$ and $\text{PI}(C_2)$).

Basically, track dependencies and define actual order later.

Resolution.

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee l \quad C_2 : E \vee \neg l'}{C : (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l')$$

$$\bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^*$$

$$\bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^*$$

1. l and l' Γ -colored:

$$\text{PI}(C) \equiv (\text{PI}(C_1) \vee \text{PI}(C_2))\sigma$$

$$\text{PI}(C)^* \equiv (\text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee \text{PI}(C_2)^*)\sigma \text{ (just replace maximal terms)}$$

intended meaning of σ : to change the free variables still in the $\text{PI}(C_i)$

TODO: basically do nothing here since no new atoms (revisit after mixed colored case has been dealt with)

Let t_1, \dots, t_{n_1} be terms overbound in $\text{PI}(C_1)$ and s_1, \dots, s_{n_2} terms overbound in $\text{PI}(C_2)$.

$$\{z_1, \dots, z_n\} = \{t_1, \dots, t_{n_1}\}\sigma \cup \{s_1, \dots, s_{n_2}\}\sigma \quad // \text{ common terms are merged}$$

order relations as in C_1, C_2

$$\bar{Q}_n \text{PI}(C)^* \equiv \bar{Q}_n(\text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee \text{PI}(C_2)^*)$$

2. l and l' Δ -colored:

similar to first case

3. l and l' grey:

$$\text{PI}(C) \equiv [(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2))] \sigma$$

$$\text{PI}(C)^* \equiv ([(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)] \sigma)^*$$

// just replace any atoms, note that vars are exempt

// need to star at the end again for terms introduced by sigma

order relations as in C_1, C_2 plus:

Let C' and C'' be the clauses in $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ where l and l' originate.

If in C' (C'') a maximal term s of l (l'') is smaller than a maximal term t of the same clause, and x_i replaces s and x_j replaces t in $\text{PI}(C)^*$, then $x_i < x_j$.

If in $\text{PI}(C)^*$, x_i and x_j , $i \neq j$ replace t_i and t_j respectively, and t_i and t_j have a common origin where they were the same variable, then merge these variables in $\text{PI}(C)^*$.

Let t_1, \dots, t_{n_1} be the maximal colored terms in $\text{PI}(C_1)$ and s_1, \dots, s_{n_2} the maximal colored terms in $\text{PI}(C_2)$,

Let r_1, \dots, r_{n_3} be the maximal colored terms in $[(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)] \sigma$

// this way, we catch all colored terms in the new atoms + every term that becomes colored due to σ changing a var.

$$\{z_1, \dots, z_{n_1}\} = \{t_1, \dots, t_{n_1}\}$$

$$\{z_{n_1}, \dots, z_{n_1+n_2}\} = \{s_1, \dots, s_{n_2}\}$$

$$\{z_{n_1+n_2}, \dots, z_{n_1+n_2+n_3}\} = \{r_1, \dots, r_{n_3}\}$$

$\bar{Q}_n \sim z_i$ ordered according to constraints and with quantifier.

$$\bar{Q}_n \text{PI}(C)^* \equiv \bar{Q}_n([(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)] \sigma)^*$$

$\bar{Q}_n \text{PI}(C) \equiv \bar{Q}_n([(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)] \sigma)$ // somewhat imprecise on \bar{Q}_n , but that's just useless quantifiers

Δ

Proposition 5.7. $\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_n z_n \overline{\text{PI}(C) \vee C(z_1, \dots, z_n)}$, quantifiers ordered as in 5.5, is a Craig interpolant.

Proof. Induction.

Suppose Resolution.

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee l \quad C_2 : E \vee \neg l'}{C : (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l')$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_1} \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D \vee l}$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_2} \overline{\text{PI}(C_2) \vee E \vee \neg l'}$$

to show:

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_n \overline{\text{PI}(C) \vee (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad // \text{ somewhat imprecise on } \bar{Q}_n, \text{ but that's just useless quantifiers}$$

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \overline{\text{PI}(C_1) \vee D \vee l})\sigma$$

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_2} \overline{\text{PI}(C_2) \vee E \vee \neg l'})\sigma$$

By resolution:

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)} \vee \bar{Q}_{n_2} \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)})\sigma \vee (D \vee E)\sigma$$

1. Suppose l, l' are from Γ alone: TODO
2. Suppose l and l' are colored with different colors and w.l.o.g l is Γ -colored and l' is Δ -colored.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{Q}_n \overline{\text{PI}(C)} &\equiv \bar{Q}_n \overline{(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)} \sigma \\ &\equiv \bar{Q}_n (\neg l' \sigma \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma}) \vee (\bar{l} \sigma \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma}) \end{aligned}$$

Adapt Huang proof to this, need to consider quantifiers:

If $\Gamma \not\models D\sigma$ and $\Gamma \not\models E\sigma$ (else we are done), then

$$\Gamma \models [(\neg l' \wedge \bar{Q}_{n_1} \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)}) \vee (l \wedge \bar{Q}_{n_2} \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)})]\sigma$$

As \bar{Q}_{n_1} and \bar{Q}_{n_2} disjoint and their variables do not appear in l or l' ,

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \bar{Q}_{n_2} [(\neg l' \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)}) \vee (l \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)})])\sigma$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_1} \bar{Q}_{n_2} [(\neg l' \sigma \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma}) \vee (l \sigma \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma})]$$

Consider the maximal terms of this expression which are Δ -colored.

The $\text{PI}(C_i)$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$ contain no colored terms. σ can introduce one by replacing a free variable x by a Δ -term t . But then overline replaces it with an universally quantified variable again, hence the formula is still entailed by Γ .

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_1} \bar{Q}_{n_2} [(\neg l' \sigma \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_1)\sigma}) \vee (l \sigma \wedge \overline{\text{PI}(C_2)\sigma})]$$

TODO: should work out similarly as Huang if using P_P or it's the same as what i'm trying above.

□

Proposition 5.8. $\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_n z_n \text{PI}(C)^*(z_1, \dots, z_n) \vee C$, *quantifiers ordered as in 5.5, is a Craig interpolant.*

Proof. Induction.

Suppose Resolution.

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee l \quad C_2 : E \vee \neg l'}{C : (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l')$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee D \vee l$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^* \vee E \vee \neg l'$$

$$\text{to show: } \Gamma \models \bar{Q}_n \text{PI}(C)^* \vee (D \vee E)\sigma$$

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee D \vee l)\sigma$$

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^* \vee E \vee \neg l')\sigma$$

By resolution:

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee \bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^*)\sigma \vee (D \vee E)\sigma$$

1. Suppose l, l' are from Γ alone: TODO
2. Suppose l and l' are colored with different colors and w.l.o.g l is Γ -colored and l' is Δ -colored.

$$\bar{Q}_n \text{PI}(C)^* \equiv \bar{Q}_n [(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)]\sigma^*$$

Adapt Huang proof to this, need to consider quantifiers:

If $\Gamma \not\models D\sigma$ and $\Gamma \not\models E\sigma$ (else we are done), then

$$\Gamma \models [(\neg l' \wedge \bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^*)]\sigma$$

As \bar{Q}_{n_1} and \bar{Q}_{n_2} disjoint and their variables do not appear in l or l' ,

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \bar{Q}_{n_2} [(\neg l' \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)^*) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)^*)])\sigma$$

The $\text{PI}(C_i)$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$ contain no colored terms. σ can introduce one by replacing a free variable x .

Consider the maximal terms of this expression which are Γ -colored.

Either they only have grey subterms, then if they are existentially quantified, we can just use it as witness as the terms aren't replaced.

Otherwise they contain at least a Γ - or a Δ -colored subterm.

Base case: simple.

Suppose Resolution.

$$\frac{C_1 : D \vee l \quad C_2 : E \vee \neg l'}{C : (D \vee E)\sigma} \quad \sigma = \text{mgu}(l, l')$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee D \vee l$$

$$\Gamma \models \bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^* \vee E \vee \neg l'$$

$$\text{to show: } \Gamma \models \bar{Q}_n \text{PI}(C)^* \sigma \vee (D \vee E) \sigma$$

Note that a term newly introduced in $\text{PI}(C)$ occurs in either l or l' , but not in both.

Let t be a colored term in $\text{PI}(C)$, which has just been added W.l.o.g. let it occur in l , i.e. in C_1 .

Case distinction:

1. Suppose l, l' are from Γ alone:

By induction hypothesis:

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee D \vee l) \sigma$$

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^* \vee E \vee \neg l') \sigma$$

By resolution:

$$\Gamma \models (\bar{Q}_{n_1} \text{PI}(C_1)^* \vee \bar{Q}_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^*) \sigma \vee (D \vee E) \sigma$$

Suppose t is Γ -colored.

Then it will be replaced by x_i and existentially quantified. It appears in either $\text{PI}(C_1)$ or $\text{PI}(C_2)$.

t is a witness for x_i because it contains subterms t_1, \dots, t_n . If they are over-bound as well, they are so before t and are available here.

TODO: derive properties using examples 103 or so

OTHER TRY:

Then σ replaces variables y_1, \dots, y_k in $E \vee \neg l'$ with terms that contain t .

By the induction hypothesis, $\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_{n_2} z_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^*(z_1, \dots, z_{n_2}) \vee E \vee \neg l'$.

Hence $\Gamma \models (Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_{n_2} z_{n_2} \text{PI}(C_2)^*(z_1, \dots, z_{n_2}) \vee E \vee \neg l') \sigma$.

Also $\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_{n_2} z_{n_2} (\text{PI}(C_2)^*(z_1, \dots, z_{n_2}) \sigma) \vee E \sigma \vee \neg l' \sigma$.

Similarly, $\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_{n_1} z_{n_1} (\text{PI}(C_1)^*(z_1, \dots, z_{n_1}) \sigma) \vee D \sigma \vee l \sigma$

$\Gamma \models Q_1 z_1 \dots Q_n z_n ((\neg l \wedge \text{PI}(C_2)) \vee (l \wedge \text{PI}(C_1)))^*(z_1, \dots, z_n) \sigma \vee D \sigma \vee l \sigma$

l basically is the only new thing ($l \sigma = l' \sigma$).

Either l does not contain any subterms of other terms, then it does not depend on anything and l serves as witness for itself.

Otherwise it does depend on other terms and we have to make sure that that term is available. Depending on another term means that it uses information that is only available from another term, i.e. it contains a subterm of another term. but then that subterm is quantified over before the variable that replaces t is, so it works out.

t is Δ -colored. Then it is replaced by a universally quantified variable. But it “was already universally quantified” in the induction hypothesis. There, it was some free variable, because that’s the only thing that can be substituted, but even with this free var, it worked out.

□

5.2 Arrow-Algo

1. In the original clauses, find all occurrences of variables. Add an arrow from an occurrence to each other occurrence with depth as least as high, if the full prefix to the occurrence with lower depth is shared by both occurrences (cf. 5.5).

NOTE: this creates double arrows for occurrences at same depth. This appears to be necessary for terms which are only variables, and doesn't hurt if the variable is contained in a term.

2. For each step in the derivation:
 - a) Build propositional interpolant using $\text{PI}(C_i)^*$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$, i.e. use ancestor PI without colored terms.
 - b) If ancestors of atom added to $\text{PI}(C)$ had arrows, merge them to atom in $\text{PI}(C)$ (i.e. arrows starting in and leading to this atom).
 - c) Replace colored terms in $\text{PI}(C)$ (from new atom and unifier applied to $\text{PI}(C_i)^*$) with fresh variables, except if a term has a double ended arrow to another overbinding variable, then use that variable.
 - d) Collect quantifiers: from $\text{PI}(C_i)^*$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$ and ones from atom added to $\text{PI}(C)$. Order such that arrows only point to variables to the right.

Conjecture 5.9. $\Gamma \cup \Delta$ *unsat*, π *resolution refutation*. Then $\Gamma \models \text{PI}(C) \vee C$ and $\Delta \models \neg \text{PI}(C) \vee C$ for all C in π .

Proof. Base case as in Huang.

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