# Rewriting in Computer Science and Logic (326.065, SS 2013) Exercises, Part 1

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Total points: 100.

### Part 1. Abstract Reduction

- 1. (5 points) Find a proof or bring a counterexample:
  - (a) The reflexive closure of the transitive closure is the same as the transitive closure of the reflexive closure.
  - (b)  $(\stackrel{+}{\leftrightarrow}) = (\stackrel{+}{\rightarrow}) \cup (\stackrel{+}{\rightarrow})^{-1}$ .
- 2. (5 points) Give an example of ARS  $(A, \rightarrow)$  such that there exists an element  $a \in A$  with the following properties:
  - *a* has a normal form.
  - a has at most one normal form.
  - There exist reductions starting from *a* which do not converge.
- 3. (5 points) Give a counterexample to the proposition obtained from Newman's Lemma by dropping the requirement on  $\rightarrow$  to be terminating.

## Part 2. Syntax and Semantics

1. (4 points) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the signature consisting of the nullary symbol 0, the unary symbol s, and the binary symbols *add* and *mult*. Consider the term t:

$$\begin{split} t &= add(mult(add(s(0), s(mult(s(s(0)), s(s(s(0))))))), \\ &\quad s(s(add(s(0), s(s(0)))))), \\ &\quad add(0, s(0))) \end{split}$$

- (a) Picture the term as a tree.
- (b) What is  $\mathcal{P}os(t)$ ?

- (c) What is |t| (the size of t)?
- (d) Give all subterms of t.
- (e) What are the positions of function symbols?
- (f) Which terms are denoted by the following expressions?

i. t|<sub>112</sub>
ii. t|<sub>221</sub>
iii. t[s(0)]<sub>111</sub>
iv. t[s(0)]<sub>ϵ</sub>
v. t[add(s(0),0)]<sub>11</sub>

- 2. (4 points, Ex. 3.1 from the book, [BN3.1]) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the signature consisting of the binary function symbol f. Let t be a term from  $T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$ . What are the possible shapes of positions of t?
- 3. (6 points) Give an example of a binary relation on  $T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$ , which is compatible with  $\mathcal{F}$ -operations but is not closed under substitutions.
- 4. (6 points) Give an example of a binary relation on  $T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$ , which is closed under  $\mathcal{F}$ -operations but is not compatible with  $\mathcal{F}$ -operations.
- 5. (4 points) Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{0, s, add, mult\}$ , where 0 is a constant, s is unary, and add and mult are binary. Let  $\sigma$  be a  $T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$ -substitution  $\{x \mapsto s(y), y \mapsto add(s(0), s(s(0))), z \mapsto 0\}$ . Compute  $\sigma(t)$  for the following terms t:
  - (a) x.
  - (b) add(x, add(y, add(z, s(0)))).
  - (c) mult(z, s(x)).
  - (d) add(s(x), mult(x, s(y))).
  - (e) mult(s(u), add(u, x)).
- 6. (8 points) Consider the set of identities

 $E = \{f(x) \approx x, f(f(a)) \approx g(x, x), g(x, f(x)) \approx b\}.$ 

Which of the following statements is correct? Justify your answer.

- (a)  $E \vdash a \approx b$ .
- (b)  $E \vdash g(x, y) \approx g(y, x)$ .
- (c)  $E \vdash g(f(a), a) \approx f(b)$ .
- 7. (8 points) Consider the set of identities which give an equational specification of groups:

$$E = \{x * (y * z) \approx (x * y) * z, x * e \approx x, x * i(x) \approx e\}$$

Show that

- (a)  $x \stackrel{*}{\leftrightarrow}_E e * x$ .
- (b)  $f(i(a), i(b)) \stackrel{*}{\leftrightarrow}_E i(f(b, a)).$
- (c)  $E \vdash e \approx i(x) * x$ .
- (d)  $E \vdash i(i(i(x)) * (x * i(x * e))) \approx i(i(i(i(i(x)))))$
- 8. (8 points, Ex. 3.7 from the book, [BN3.7]) Consider the set of identities:

$$E = \{f(x, f(y, z)) \approx f(f(x, y), z), f(f(x, y), x) \approx x\}$$

Show that  $f(f(x,y),z) \stackrel{*}{\leftrightarrow}_E f(x,z)$ . Show also the corresponding derivation  $E \vdash f(f(x,y),x) \approx x$ .

9. (9 points) Consider the set of  $\{0, s, add\}$ -identities which give an equational specification of addition over natural numbers:

$$E = \{add(0, x) \approx x, add(s(x), y) \approx s(add(x, y))\}.$$

Show that  $E \neq add(x, y) \approx add(y, x)$  (i.e., construct a model of E in which add is not commutative).

#### Part 3. Equational Problems

1. (4 points) Consider the following convergent TRS:

$$R = \{f(f(x)) \to x, g(x) \to x\}$$

Show that  $f(f(g(f(g(f(g(g(x))))))))) \approx_R f(g(f(g(f(x))))))$ 

2. (7 points) Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{i, j, k, l, m, f, g\}$ , where i, j, k, l, m are constants and f and g are unary function symbols. Let G be the set of ground  $\mathcal{F}$ -identities:

 $G = \{i \approx j, k \approx l, f(i) \approx g(k), j \approx f(j), m \approx g(l)\}.$ 

Using the congruence closure algorithm discussed in the lecture, prove that  $f(m) \approx_G g(k)$ .

3. (7 points) Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{a, b, c, d, f\}$ , where a, b, c, d are constants and f is a unary function symbol. Let G be the set of ground  $\mathcal{F}$ -identities:

$$G = \{a \approx c, \ d \approx f(f(c)), \ f(c) \approx f(f(f(b))), \ f(b) \approx a\}$$

- (a) Show via  $\stackrel{*}{\leftrightarrow}_G$  that  $d \approx_G f(c)$  holds.
- (b) Show via congruence closure that  $d \approx_G f(c)$  holds.
- 4. (5 points) Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{a, f\}$ , where a is a constant and f is a binary function symbol. Show the steps of the unification algorithm for the following  $T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V})$ -terms s and t:

- (a) s = f(y, z), t = f(a, x)(b) s = f(x, a), t = f(a, x)(c) s = f(y, y), t = f(a, x)(d) s = f(x, y), t = f(f(x, y), a)
- 5. (5 points) Show the steps of the matching algorithm for the terms s and t above, to match s to t.