

Exercise Problems for “Automated Reasoning”

Exercise 1 (*Propositional Logic*)

For a propositional formula X , let $b(X)$ be the number of occurrences of connectives (\wedge , \vee) in X . Prove using structural induction that, for every formula X , $b(X) = \text{number of left parentheses in } X = \text{number of right parentheses in } X$. (Hence every propositional formula has the same number of left as right parentheses.)

Exercise 2 (*DPLL*)

Prove Lemma 1.9 by induction on the length of the derivation.

Exercise 3 (*DPLL*)

Let N be the following set of propositional clauses:

$$\neg P \vee \neg Q \vee R \vee \neg S \quad (1)$$

$$\neg Q \vee \neg R \quad (2)$$

$$Q \vee \neg R \vee S \quad (3)$$

$$\neg P \vee R \quad (4)$$

$$\neg P \vee Q \vee \neg S \quad (5)$$

$$P \vee S \quad (6)$$

During a DPLL-derivation, we have reached the configuration $P^d Q^d \neg R \parallel N$.

- Give two different backjump clauses that can be used in this situation.
- Select one backjump clause and continue until you find a model or until you reach *fail*.

Exercise 4 (*Miniscoping*)

Apply miniscoping to the following formula:

$$\forall x \exists y \forall z (R(x, x) \wedge [P(y) \vee R(x, y) \vee Q(z)])$$

Exercise 5 (*DPLL(LA)*)

Use the transition system $\Rightarrow_{\text{DPLL}(T)}$ for the DPLL(T) procedure to check whether the following formula F is satisfiable or not. For each step explain briefly which rule you use and why. Check the T -(in)consistency of a valuation by using the Fourier-Motzkin algorithm.

$$F = \neg(((x \geq 5 \vee x < y) \wedge 3x + y \geq 20 \wedge y = x + 3) \rightarrow y \geq 9)$$

Exercise 6 (*Unification*)

Solve the following unification problems using both \Rightarrow_{SU} and \Rightarrow_{PU} .

1. $E_1 = \{f(g(y, x_3), y, g(k(x_3), a)) \doteq f(x_1, h(x_2), x_1)\}$
2. $E_2 = \{f(x_1, h(y, g(y)), h(x_1, a)) \doteq f(g(x_2), z, z)\}$
3. $E_3 = \{f(a, x_1, g(h(y, a))) \doteq f(z, g(z), g(x_2))\}$

Exercise 7 (*Knuth-Bendix Completion*)

Apply the Knuth-Bendix completion procedure to the set of equations

$$E_0 = \{f(x, y) \approx h(x, c), f(x, y) \approx h(c, y), h(c, c) \approx c\}$$

using the lexicographic path order with the precedence $f > h > c$.

Exercise 8 (*Knuth-Bendix Completion*)

Show that the strict part $\sqsubset = \sqsupseteq \setminus \sqsupseteq$ of the encompassment quasi-ordering \sqsupseteq is a well-founded strict partial ordering.

Exercise 9 (*Orderings*)

For each of the following term rewriting systems (1) to (4) give, if possible, an instance of a lexicographic path ordering and a Knuth-Bendix ordering such that the left-hand sides are larger than the right-hand sides when you compare the rules. If the rule cannot be ordered using KBO/LPO give a short argument why it can't.

- (1) $f(g(x), g(y)) \rightarrow f(f(x, g(y)), x);$
- (2) $f(g(x, a), x, a) \rightarrow g(f(x, x, a), h(b, x));$
- (3) $f(x, g(y), a) \rightarrow f(h(x), h(y), h(a));$
- (4) $x + 0 \rightarrow x$
 $x + s(y) \rightarrow s(x + y).$

Exercise 10 (*Superposition*)

Use the superposition calculus in order to do all possible inferences between the given clauses. Use KBO with weight 1 for all function symbols and variables and the precedence $g > f > c > b > a$.

- (1) $f(f(x, y), y) \not\approx x$ and $f(a, b) \approx a \vee a \not\approx b$
- (2) $f(x, y) \not\approx g(y) \vee g(x) \not\approx f(y, x)$ and $f(a, b) \approx a \vee g(a) \approx b$
- (3) $f(a, y) \approx f(x, b) \vee f(x, b) \not\approx b$ and $f(x, y) \approx x$
- (4) $a \approx b$ and $g(b) \approx a \vee g(b) \approx g(a)$

Exercise 11 (*Superposition*)

Consider the following clause set N:

- (1) $f(a, b) \approx b$
- (2) $f(y, x) \not\approx y$
- (3) $f(f(x, y), f(y, x)) \not\approx x \vee g(x, y) \approx x$

1. Apply Superposition to saturate the clause set. Use KBO with weight 1 for all function symbols and variables and the precedence $g > f > c > b > a$.
2. Check yourself using SPASS: write the corresponding input file and call SPASS with the options “-PDer”, “-DocProof”, “-Select=0”. Compare your result with the result of SPASS.

Exercise 12 (*Candidate Interpretation, Unit Rewriting*)

Consider the following clause set N. Use KBO with weight 1 for all function symbols and variables and the precedence $f > g > b > a$.

- (1) $a \approx b$
- (2) $f(a, b) \approx a$
- (3) $f(b, a) \not\approx b \vee g(a) \approx b$

1. Which clause is false in R_∞ ?
2. Saturate the clauses using unit rewriting.
3. Repeat the construction of the candidate interpretation.

Exercise 13 (*Ordered Resolution with Selection*)

Refute the following clauses using the calculus of ordered resolution with selection.

Take a lexicographic path order and the precedence $f > h > g > Q > R > P > a$.

$$(1) \quad \{R(x_1, f(a)), \neg P(g(x_1, a), y), R(h(y), f(z))\}$$

$$(2) \quad \{\neg R(x_2, x_3), Q(g(h(x_2), x_3))\}$$

$$(3) \quad \{P(g(h(x_4), x_4), x_4), Q(g(h(h(x_4)), z))\}$$

$$(4) \quad \{\neg Q(g(h(h(z)), f(z)))\}$$