



MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE
FOR INFORMATICS

Universität
des
Saarlandes
FR Informatik



Uwe Waldmann

April 16, 2026

Tutorials for “Automated Reasoning II”
Exercise sheet 1

Exercise 1.1:

Refute the following set of formulas (i) using tableaux with ground instantiation, and (ii) using free-variable tableaux:

$$\forall x \exists y P(x, y) \wedge P(x, x) \quad (1)$$

$$\exists z \forall w \neg P(f(z), w) \vee \neg P(z, z) \quad (2)$$

(If you use tableaux with free variables, use v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots as names for free variables.)

Exercise 1.2:

(a) Let $\Sigma = (\Omega, \emptyset)$ with $\Omega = \{f/2, g/2, h/1, k/1, b/0\}$. Compute the dependency pairs of the following rewrite system R over Σ :

$$f(x, h(x)) \rightarrow h(k(x)) \quad (1)$$

$$f(h(x), y) \rightarrow g(x, g(h(x), x)) \quad (2)$$

$$g(x, x) \rightarrow f(x, x) \quad (3)$$

$$g(x, y) \rightarrow y \quad (4)$$

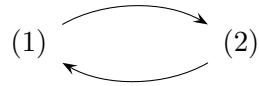
$$h(b) \rightarrow b \quad (5)$$

(b) Compute the approximated dependency graph for R (using cap and ren) and use the subterm criterion to show that R is terminating. If a graph is modified, depict both the original and the modified graph and indicate the strongly connected components in the graphs.

(c) The approximated dependency graph contains an edge from a dependency pair generated by rule (3) to a dependency pair generated by rule (1). Is this edge also contained in the exact dependency graph? Give an explanation.

Exercise 1.3:

(a) Find an example of a terminating rewrite system R with exactly two rewrite rules such that $DP(R)$ contains exactly two dependency pairs and the dependency graph of R has the shape



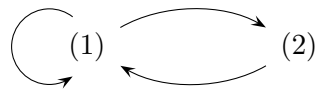
Specify both R and $DP(R)$.

(b) Find an example of a terminating rewrite system R with exactly two rewrite rules such that $DP(R)$ contains exactly two dependency pairs and the dependency graph of R has the shape



Specify both R and $DP(R)$.

(c) Find an example of a terminating rewrite system R with exactly two rewrite rules such that $DP(R)$ contains exactly two dependency pairs and the dependency graph of R has the shape



Specify both R and $DP(R)$.

Bring your solution to the tutorial on April 22. and compare it with the solution that is discussed there. Your solution will not be graded.