

Data Structures with Arithmetic Constraints: a Non-Disjoint Combination

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Building and Combining Decision Procedures

- Use **Rewriting** techniques
 - ▶ use a *superposition calculus* for FOL with **Equality** and prove its termination for useful cases in verification
 - ➡ Application to data structures [ARR03, ABRS09, BE07, dMB08]
- Use **Combination** techniques
 - ▶ use procedures available for individual theories and try to build a procedure for the **union** of theories
 - ➡ Application to **disjoint unions** of data structures and fragments of arithmetic [KRRT05]

Our approach

Use both **Rewriting** and **Combination** techniques to consider **non-disjoint unions** of data structures and fragments of arithmetic

➡ Application of the combination method proposed by Ghilardi-Nicolini-Zucchelli [GNZ08]: a combination method à la Nelson-Oppen [NO79] for **non-disjoint unions of theories**

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Data structures using arithmetic operators

Lists : $\text{nil} : \text{LISTS}$, $\text{cons} : \text{ELEM} \times \text{LISTS} \rightarrow \text{LISTS}$, $\ell : \text{LISTS} \rightarrow \text{NUM}$

$$\begin{aligned}\ell(\text{nil}) &= 0 \\ \ell(\text{cons}(x, y)) &= s(\ell(y))\end{aligned}$$

Trees : $\text{bin} : \text{ELEM} \times \text{TREES} \times \text{TREES} \rightarrow \text{TREES}$, $\text{null} : \text{TREES}$, $\text{size}_L : \text{TREES} \rightarrow \text{NUM}$, $\text{size}_R : \text{TREES} \rightarrow \text{NUM}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{size}_L(\text{null}) &= 0 & \text{size}_R(\text{null}) &= 0 \\ \text{size}_L(\text{bin}(e, t_1, t_2)) &= s(\text{size}_L(t_1)) & \text{size}_R(\text{bin}(e, t_1, t_2)) &= s(\text{size}_R(t_2))\end{aligned}$$

Records : $\text{sel}_i : \text{RECS} \rightarrow \text{NUM}$, $\text{inc} : \text{RECS} \rightarrow \text{RECS}$

$$\text{sel}_i(\text{inc}(r)) = s(\text{sel}_i(r))$$

for any index i of sort NUM.

The Shared Theory of Increment

$$(Inj) \quad \forall x, y \quad s(x) = s(y) \rightarrow x = y$$

$$(Acy) \quad \forall x \quad x \neq s^n(x) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^+$$

$$(S0) \quad \forall x \quad s(x) \neq 0$$

1 Theory of Integer Offsets [NRR09b]: $T_I = \{Inj, Acy, S0\}$

2 Theory of Increment (**this paper**): $T_S = \{Inj, Acy\}$

Superposition Calculus

<i>Superposition</i>	$\frac{l[u'] = r \quad u = t}{(l[t] = r)\sigma}$	(i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
<i>Paramodulation</i>	$\frac{l[u'] \neq r \quad u = t}{(l[t] \neq r)\sigma}$	(i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
<i>Reflection</i>	$\frac{u' \neq u}{\perp}$	(i)

where (i) σ is the most general unifier of u and u' , (ii) u' is not a variable, (iii) $u\sigma \not\leq t\sigma$, (iv) $l[u']\sigma \not\leq r\sigma$.

Figure: Expansion Inference Rules.

Superposition Calculus (for a successor function)

Ad hoc rules to be applied to **ground** terms:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 R1 \text{ (for Inj)} \quad \frac{S \cup \{s(u) = s(v)\}}{S \cup \{u = v\}} \\
 \hline
 R2 \text{ (for Inj)} \quad \frac{S \cup \{s(u) = t, s(v) = t\}}{S \cup \{s(v) = t, u = v\}} \quad \text{if } s(u) \succ t, \quad s(v) \succ t \text{ and } u \succ v \\
 \hline
 C1 \text{ (for Acy)} \quad \frac{S \cup \{s^n(t) = t\}}{S \cup \{s^n(t) = t\} \cup \perp} \quad \text{if } n \in \mathbb{N} \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

where S is a set of literals and \perp is the symbol for the inconsistency.

Figure: Ground reduction Inference Rules.

Superposition Calculus as Decision Procedure

Result

An appropriate Superposition Calculus leads to a decision procedure for a class of theories **DST** modelling data-structures with the **unary successor function**.

DST includes: Lists with length, Trees with size, Records with increment.

Proof: For any theory $T \in \mathbf{DST}$ and any set of ground flat literals G , any saturation of $Ax(T) \cup G$ is as follows:

- It must be finite.
- Some forms of non-ground equalities must be excluded.

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Linear Arithmetic

$\Sigma_{\mathbb{Q}} := \{0, 1, +, -, \{q_{-}\}_{q \in \mathbb{Q}}, \mathbf{s}, <\}$, where 0, 1 are constants, and $-$, q_{-} , \mathbf{s} are unary function symbols.

Let $T_{\mathbb{Q}}$ be the set of all the $\Sigma_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -sentences that are true in \mathbb{Q} .

Fact

A $T_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -satisfiability procedure can be obtained by using

- 1 Fourier-Motzkin Elimination (for inequalities)
 - ➔ to detect unsatisfiability or to compute implicit equalities
- 2 Gauss Elimination (for equalities)
 - ➔ a function **solve** to compute the solved form of a set of equalities
- 3 Disequality Handler
 - ➔ a function **canon** over arithmetic expressions to check whether an disequality can be canonized into an unsatisfiable disequality $u \neq u$.

Non-Linear Arithmetic: The Theory of \mathbb{Q} -Algebras

$T_{\mathbb{Q}\text{-alg}}$ is $AC(+)$ \cup $AC(\times)$ \cup $U(+, 0)$ \cup $U(\times, 1)$ plus

$$\forall x \ x + (-x) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$0 \neq 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\forall x \ s(x) = x + 1 \quad (3)$$

$$\forall x, y, z \ (x + y)z = xz + yz \quad (4)$$

$$\forall x, y \ q(x + y) = qx + qy \quad (5)$$

$$\forall x \ (q_1 \oplus q_2)x = q_1x + q_2x \quad (6)$$

$$\forall x \ (q_1 \cdot q_2)x = q_1(q_2x) \quad (7)$$

$$\forall x \ 1_{\mathbb{Q}}x = x \quad (8)$$

$$\forall x, y \ q(xy) = x(qy) \quad (9)$$

Fact

A $T_{\mathbb{Q}\text{-alg}}$ -satisfiability procedure can be obtained by using the Buchberger algorithm for the computation of Groebner bases.

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Propagation the T_1 -constraint solving procedure and the T_2 -constraint solving procedure fairly exchange **shared positive Σ_0 -clauses** that are entailed by $T_1 \cup \Gamma_1$ and by $T_2 \cup \Gamma_2$

Until an inconsistency is detected or a saturation state is reached.

Pseudo-code

1. If T_0 -basis $T_i(\Gamma_i) = \Delta_i$ and $\perp \notin \Delta_i$ for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$, then
 - 1.1. For each $D \in \Delta_i$ such that $T_j \cup \Gamma_j \not\models D$, ($i \neq j$), add D to Γ_j
 - 1.2. If Γ_1 or Γ_2 has been changed in 1.1, then rerun 1.
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Combination method: critical points

- ❶ How to obtain the T_0 -bases, which are logical consequences of a constraint Γ w.r.t. a theory T_0 over a given sub-signature
 ➡ Computability of T_0 -bases
- ❷ How to guarantee the termination of the exchange loop
 ➡ Noetherianity of T_0
- ❸ How to ensure its completeness
 ➡ T_0 -compatibility (extends the assumption on *stably infinite theories* used in the disjoint case)

Our work

How to face these issues when dealing with a combination of

- ❶ a data structure in **DST**
- ❷ a theory of arithmetic in $\{T_{\mathbb{Q}}, T_{\mathbb{Q}\text{-alg}}\}$

where the shared theory T_0 is the theory of Increment T_S .

Computation of T_S -bases for data structures

Result

Our Superposition Calculus computes T_S -bases for any $T \in \mathbf{DST}$.

How to compute T_S -bases: collect all the shared equalities in a saturation of Γ not containing \perp .

Example (theory of Lists with length)

The saturation of

$$\Gamma_1 = \{y = \ell(a), b = \text{cons}(e, a), x = \ell(b)\}$$

contains

$$x = s(y)$$

Remark

Similar result in [NRR09b] for the shared theory of Integer Offsets.

Computation of T_S -bases for fragments of arithmetic

Result

T_S -bases are computable for $T_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and $T_{\mathbb{Q}\text{-alg}}$.

Proof Idea:

- 1 (Linear case) Assume Γ is a set of linear equalities. We have

$$T \cup \Gamma \models a_1 = s^n(a_2) \iff \mathbf{canon}(a_1\gamma - a_2\gamma) = n$$

where $\gamma = \mathbf{solve}(\Gamma)$.

- 2 (Non-linear case) It is possible to compute the set of all entailed linear equalities by using a slight adaptation of the Buchberger algorithm, as shown in Nicolini's thesis. Then proceed as in (1).

Computation of T_S -bases: example for the arithmetic

Example (theory of arithmetic $T_{\mathbb{Q}}$)

$$\Gamma_2 = \begin{cases} x = c \\ 1 + 2c + y = 2 + 3d \\ 2c = d + x \end{cases}$$

Γ_2 is equivalent to the solved form:

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Data structures with arithmetic constraints

Example (Previous Examples Continued)

- In the theory of Lists with length:
given $\Gamma_1 = \{y = \ell(a), b = \text{cons}(e, a), x = \ell(b)\}$, we have:

$$\Gamma_1 \rightarrow x = s(y)$$

- In the theory of arithmetic $T_{\mathbb{Q}}$:
given $\Gamma_2 = \{x = c, 1 + 2c + y = 2 + 3d, 2c = d + x\}$, we have:

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- In the union of theories:

$$\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \text{ is unsatisfiable}$$

since $\{x = s(y), y = s(x)\}$ is T_S -unsatisfiable

Main result

We have identified a class of theories **DST** modelling data structures modulo T_S such that for any $T \in \mathbf{DST} \cup \{T_Q, T_{Q\text{-alg}}\}$: the Ghilardi-Nicolini-Zucchelli combination method is

- ① effective: $T_S\text{-basis}_T$ is computable
- ② terminating: T_S is *Noetherian*
- ③ complete: T is T_S -compatible

Theorem

For any Σ_1 -theory $T_1 \in \mathbf{DST}$ and any Σ_2 -theory $T_2 \in \{T_Q, T_{Q\text{-alg}}, T_Q \cup T_{Q\text{-alg}}\} \cup \mathbf{DST}$ such that $\Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2 = \Sigma_S$, $T_1 \cup T_S \cup T_2$ has a decidable constraint satisfiability problem.

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Conclusion and future work

- sharing the theory of Increment (**this paper**): two possible theories of arithmetic over the the rationals, $T_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and $T_{\mathbb{Q}-alg}$
- sharing the theory of Integer Offsets [NRR09b]: which theory of arithmetic over the integers?
 - ➔ Computation of bases seems more difficult for the integers!
- sharing the theory of Abelian Groups [NRR09a]: which theory of arithmetic sharing the $+$ operator?
 - ➔ Computation of bases?
- How to deal with a *non-convex* data structure such as arrays?
 - ➔ adaptation of the superposition calculus, to handle clauses instead of unit clauses

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