

Exercise 3

Form all critical pairs from the rewrite rule:

$$h(h(x)) \Rightarrow k(x)$$

Apply the rule exhaustively to the elements of the critical pairs, and see which pairs conflate. Suggest any new rule(s) which might be added to make a confluent set.

need 1 other rule.
 $h(k(x)) \Rightarrow k(h(x))$.

Exercise 4

Here are three axioms from group theory:

1. $e.a = a$ (There exists a left identity e)
2. $a^{-1}.a = e$ (Every ~~element~~ a has a left inverse w.r.t. e)
3. $(a.b).c = a.(b.c)$ (Multiplication is associative)

Taking these as rewrite rules ordered left to right, use the Knuth-Bendix procedure to discover the rest. Notice that as new axioms are derived, older ones may no longer be irreducible and they should be superseded by a version which cannot be immediately rewritten by one of the other rules. This is not a short exercise.

need 7 more rules for
this example.

Exercise 1

Draw the LUSH resolution search space for these clauses, using 6 as the top clause:

$$\begin{array}{llll} p(X) \wedge q(X) \rightarrow r(X) & & \text{have clause} & (1) \\ s(X) \rightarrow r(X) & \swarrow & & (2) \\ t(X) \rightarrow s(X) & \swarrow & & (3) \\ & \rightarrow p(a) \swarrow & & (4) \\ & \rightarrow q(a) \swarrow & & (5) \\ r(a) \rightarrow & & & (6) \end{array}$$

Give an interpretation which could be used to control this search, and explain its effect on the search space.

Exercise 2

Apply Boyer and Moore's techniques to prove that

$$\text{reverse}(\text{append}(X, Y)) = \text{append}(\text{reverse}(Y), \text{reverse}(X))$$

assuming you have the associativity of append available as a rewrite rule:

$$\text{append}(A, \text{append}(B, C)) = \text{append}(\text{append}(A, B), C)$$

Exercise 3

Apply Boyer and Moore's techniques to prove that

$$\text{length}(\text{append}(X, Y)) = \text{plus}(\text{length}(X), \text{length}(Y))$$