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Constraints over Herbrand Terms.
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Herbrand Domain.

Let $\Sigma$ be a signature (e.g. \{f/2, g/2, h/1, a/0, b/0, \ldots\}) and $
\forall X, \phi(X) = \{f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)\mid f/n \in \Sigma, x_1, \ldots x_n \in X\}$.

Definition (Inductive Terms)

$T_f(\Sigma)$ is the least fixpoint of $\phi$.

Definition (Co-inductive Terms, Regular Terms)

$T_r(\Sigma)$ is the greatest fixpoint of $\phi$.

Construction Rule

$T_f(\Sigma)$ and $T_r(\Sigma)$ are defined inductively (resp. coinductively) with respect to the following rule:

$$
f/n \in \Sigma, x_1, \ldots, x_n \in T(\Sigma) \\
\frac{f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in T(\Sigma)}{}$$
Term Comparisons over Herbrand Terms.

Definition (Lexicographic order)
Let $<$ be an order over $\Sigma$. There exists a unique order $<_{\text{lex}}$ over $T_f(\Sigma)$ or $T_r(\Sigma)$ which is a lexicographic extension of $<$:

\[
\begin{align*}
  f / n &< g / m \\
  f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) &<_{\text{lex}} g(y_1, \ldots, y_m) \\
  x_1 = y_1 &\land \cdots \land x_i = y_i \land x_{i+1} <_{\text{lex}} y_{i+1} \\
  f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) &<_{\text{lex}} f(y_1, \ldots, y_n)
\end{align*}
\]

Proposition

If $\Sigma$ is countable, $=$ over terms and $<$ over $\Sigma$ is not enough to test $<_{\text{lex}}$. 
From H to K
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Conclusion.

Prolog Predicates over Terms.

\[ X \lessdot Y :\quad \text{functor}(X, F, N), \quad \text{functor}(Y, G, M), \quad F/N < G/M. \]

\[ X \lessdot Y :\quad \text{functor}(X, F, N), \quad \text{functor}(Y, F, N), \quad \text{argleq}(0, N, X, Y). \]

\[ \text{argleq}(l, N, X, Y) :\quad l < N, \text{arg}(X, l, Xi), \text{arg}(Y, l, Yi), \quad (Xi \lessdot Yi; Xi = Yi, J \text{ is } l + 1, \text{argleq}(J, N, X, Y)) \]

My Wish

Equality plus two constraints:

- \textbf{functor} to go back and forth between signatures and terms.
- \textbf{arg} to access a subterm without fully specifying the parent signature.
Herbrand Terms as Maps.

Intuition.
With \texttt{arg} constraint, terms are colored arrays of terms and \texttt{arg}(X, I, Y) should be written \(X[I] = Y\).

Expressiveness Note.
Sets with equality and membership constraints can be reduced to terms with equality and \texttt{arg} constraints.

\[
X \in Y :\neg \ Y[\_] = X.
\]

\texttt{functor} gives the cardinality constraint.

Just One Step From Maps.
Should \(X[N] = Y\) imply that \(N\) is an integer?
Map Constraints.

Association (A).

Ternary constraint: \( X[Z] = Y \) where \( Z \) is the key and \( Y \) is the value.

Connection to Type Theory: Open Rows and Projection.

Enumeration (E).

\( X = \{Z_1 : Y_1 ; Z_2 : Y_2 ; \ldots ; Z_n : Y_n\} \). \((Z_1, \ldots, Z_n)\) is called the map support.

Connection to Type Theory: Closed Rows.

Some Sets Constraints.

Using the encoding \( X \in Y :\leftarrow X[Y] = \{\} \) as intuition, one can define \( \cup, \cap \) and \( \setminus \) as operations over map supports (e.g. with value to value equality for common keys).

Connection to Type Theory: Row Concatenation, Absent and Private Rows.
Maps as Association Graphs.

- \( \{a, b, c\} \overset{\land}{=} \{a : \{\} ; b : \{\} ; c : \{\}\}. \)
  - ![Diagram](image1)

- \( [[a, b, c]] \overset{\land}{=} \{0 : a; 1 : b; 2 : c\}. \)
  - ![Diagram](image2)

- \( f(a, b, c) \overset{\land}{=} [[f, a, b, c]]. \)
  - ![Diagram](image3)

- \( X[X] = X. \)
  - ![Diagram](image4)
Association Graphs.

Definition (Composition Law)
A *magma* is a pair $G = (E, \cdot)$ where $\cdot$ is an intern composition law of $E$, $\cdot : E \times E \to E$.

Definition (Association Graph)
An *association graph* $G = (E, \cdot, \bot)$ is a magma such that:

- $\bot \cdot x = x \cdot \bot = \bot \quad (\forall x)$.
- the support $s(x) = \{y | x \cdot y \neq \bot\}$ is finite $\quad (\forall x)$.

Let $x[y] \overset{\wedge}{=} x \cdot y$.

Proposition
*Interpreted on formulae upon $\langle \exists, =, \neq, A \rangle$ theory, magma and association graph domains are equivalent.*

Intuition

$X = \{z_1 : y_1; \ldots ; z_n : y_n\} \vdash X[z_i] = y_i,$

$(\forall z', z' \neq z_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge z' \neq z_n \to X[z'] = \bot \})$. 
Constraints over Association Graphs.

Association and Enumeration.

(A) \( X[Z] = Y \). (*Path follow.*)

(E) \( X = \{Z_1 : Y_1; \ldots; Z_n : Y_n\} \). (*Support.*)

Support and cardinality.

- For constraint \( \text{functor}(X, F, N) \), \( X = F(x_1, \ldots, x_N) \), with the encoding \( X = \left[ F/N, x_1, \ldots, x_N \right] \),
  \( \text{functor}(X, F, N) :- X[0] = F/N. \)

- For arrays \( X = \left[ X_0, \ldots, X_N \right] \overset{\wedge}{=} \{0 : X_0; \ldots; N : X_N\} \),
  \( \text{length}(X) = N + 1 :- X[N] \neq \bot \land X[N + 1] = \bot. \)

- For sets \( X = \{X_0, \ldots, X_N\} \overset{\wedge}{=} \{X_0 : \{\}; \ldots; X_N : \{\}\}, \)
  \( \text{card}(X) \) is not derived from \((A, E)\). With enumeration constraints, cardinality is syntactically fixed:

  \[ \text{card}(X) \leq n :- X = \underbrace{\_ \ldots \_}_{n \text{ times}} \]
Merry Christmas!

- Prolog-like term processing with constraints.
- Data structures:
  1. Associative tables from terms to terms.
  2. Arrays.
  4. Records.
  5. Automatas.
- How results over tree data structures are generalizable to maps?