

# Computability Closure: Ten Years Later

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# Outline

*computability* has been introduced for proving termination of  $\beta$

a *computability predicate* is a set of terms  $P$  such that:

- ▶  $P \subseteq \text{SN}(\rightarrow)$  where  $\rightarrow = \rightarrow_\beta$
- ▶  $\rightarrow(P) \subseteq P$
- ▶ if  $t$  is *neutral* ( $x\vec{v}$  or  $(\lambda xt)u\vec{v}$ ) and  $\rightarrow(t) \subseteq P$  then  $t \in P$

if  $P$  and  $Q$  are computability predicates then the set  
 $P \rightarrow Q = \{t \mid \forall u \in P, tu \in Q\}$  is a computability predicate

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introduced by Jean-Pierre and Mitsu in a 1997 draft

definition: a function  $CC$  mapping every symbol  $f$  and terms  $\vec{T}$  to a set of terms  $CC^f(\vec{T})$  is a *computability closure* if, for all  $r \in CC^f(\vec{T})$  and substitution  $\theta$ ,  $r\theta$  is computable whenever  $\vec{T}\theta$  are computable and  $\theta$  is computable on  $\mathcal{X} \setminus FV(\vec{T})$

theorem: if  $CC$  is a computability closure and, for all rule  $f\vec{T} \rightarrow r$ ,  $r \in CC^f(\vec{T})$ , then every symbol is computable and  $\rightarrow_\beta \cup \rightarrow_R$  is SN

# Example of computability closure

assuming a precedence  $>_{\mathcal{F}}$ , statuses (lex or mul) and an ordering  $>$  for comparing function arguments:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{(arg)} \quad l_i \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l}) \quad \text{(decomp-symb)} \quad \frac{g\vec{u} \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})}{u_i \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})} \\ \text{(prec)} \quad \frac{f >_{\mathcal{F}} g}{g \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})} \quad \text{(app)} \quad \frac{u \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l}) \quad v \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})}{uv \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})} \\ \text{(call)} \quad \frac{f \simeq_{\mathcal{F}} g \quad \vec{u} \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l}) \quad \vec{l} >_{\text{stat}_f} \vec{u}}{g\vec{u} \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})} \\ \text{(var)} \quad \frac{x \notin \text{FV}(\vec{l})}{x \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})} \quad \text{(lam)} \quad \frac{u \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l}) \quad x \notin \text{FV}(\vec{l})}{\lambda x u \in \text{CC}_{>}^f(\vec{l})} \end{array}$$

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# Rewriting with matching modulo some equational theory $E$

assuming that  $E$  is a symmetric set of rules  $l \rightarrow r$  such that  $l = f\vec{l}$  and  $FV(r) \subseteq FV(l)$  (excludes  $x \cdot 0 = 0$  and  $x + 0 = x$ )

definition:  $t \rightarrow_{R,E} u$  if there are  $p \in \text{Pos}(t)$ ,  $l \rightarrow r \in R$  and  $\sigma$  such that  $t|_p \rightarrow_E^* l\sigma$  and  $u = t[r\sigma]_p$

theorem:  $\rightarrow_\beta \cup \rightarrow_{R,E}$  is terminating if:

- for all rule  $f\vec{l} \rightarrow g\vec{r} \in E$ ,  $\vec{r} \in \text{CC}_>^f(\vec{l})$
- for all rule  $f\vec{l} \rightarrow r \in R$ ,  $r \in \text{CC}_>^f(\vec{l})$

example: associativity and commutativity

# $\beta$ -normalized rewriting with matching modulo $\beta\eta$

assuming that rule left-hand sides are *patterns à la Miller*:

definition:  $t \rightarrow_{R, \beta\eta} u$  if there are  $p \in \text{Pos}(t)$ ,  $l \rightarrow r \in R$  and  $\sigma$   $\beta$ -normal such that  $t|_p$  is  $\beta$ -normal,  $t|_p =_{\beta\eta} l\sigma$  and  $u = t[r\sigma]_p$

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uses the following facts:

- if  $l$  is a pattern,  $\sigma$  and  $t$  are  $\beta$ -normal and  $t =_{\beta\eta} l\sigma$ , then  $t =_{\eta} \leftarrow_{\beta_0}^* l\sigma$  where  $(\lambda xt)x \rightarrow_{\beta_0} t$
- computability is preserved by  $\eta$ -equivalence and  $\beta_0$ -expansion

remark: implies termination of CRS and HRS

additional decomposition rules for patterns à la Miller:

$$\text{(decomp-lam)} \quad \frac{\lambda y u \in CC_{>}^f(\vec{I}) \quad y \notin FV(\vec{I})}{u \in CC_{>}^f(\vec{I})}$$

$$\text{(decomp-app-left)} \quad \frac{uy \in CC_{>}^f(\vec{I}) \quad y \notin FV(\vec{I}) \cup FV(u)}{u \in CC_{>}^f(\vec{I})}$$

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- ▶ on first-order terms,  $>_{\text{horco}} = >_{\text{whorco}} = >_{\text{rpo}}$  !

# Inductive definition of HORCO

$$\text{(rule)} \quad \frac{t > u \quad \text{FV}(u) \subseteq \text{FV}(t) \quad \tau(u) = \tau(t)}{t >_{\text{whorco}} u}$$

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- ▶ see “HORPO with computability closure: a reconstruction” with Jean-Pierre and Albert  
on <http://www.loria.fr/~blanqui/> ! :-)