

Analyzing Runtime Complexity via Innermost Runtime Complexity

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Consider the following MAUDE program...

Example

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mod BASIC-NAT is
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...
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rl plus 0 Y => Y .
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rl plus s(X) Y => s(plus X Y) .
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rl times 0 Y => 0 .
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cr1 times s(X) Y => plus Z Y if times X Y => Z .
```

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endm
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Goal: Prove *upper bound* on *worst case* complexity

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times($s(x)$, y , x_1 , \top) $\rightarrow \mathbf{times}_2^1(s(x), y, x_1, \mathbf{times}(x, y, \top, \top))$

times₂¹($s(x)$, y , x_1 , z) $\rightarrow \mathbf{plus}(z, y, \top, \top)$

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Use irc techniques to analyze rc

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plus($s(x)$, y) \rightarrow **plus**(x , **plus**(y , $s(x)$))

Reminder

times no duplication of defined symbols

- \curvearrowright innermost rewriting is worst
- \curvearrowright rc = irc
- \curvearrowright irc techniques applicable for rc
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Goal: compute sets of contexts Dup and Def

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Proving ndg-ness automatically

Representing sets of contexts

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- $C[x]\sigma = D$
- \square in D below \square in C

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Example

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Reminder

Dup and *Def* don't overlap

- ↪ no duplication of defined symbols
- ↪ $rc = irc$
- ↪ irc techniques applicable for rc

Algorithm

- collect left-hand
- replace occurrence

Example

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Leading Example 7 times

plus(0, *y*) → *y*
plus(*s*(*x*), *y*) → *s*(**plus**(*x*, *y*))
times(0, *y*) → 0
times(*s*(*x*), *y*) → **plus**(**times**(*x*, *y*), *y*)

The hard one: Computing *Def*

Initialization

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Fixed Point Step

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Example

- $\text{Def} = \{\text{plus}(\square, y)\}$

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