

Refutation of mapping mu-calculus onto second-order logic

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Abstract: When mapping mu-calculus onto second-order logic, we show use of the fixpoint operator as untenable. What follows is the effective refutation of mapping mu-calculus onto second-order logic.

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/VL4 with Tautology as the designated *proof* value, **F** as contradiction, **N** as truthity (non-contingency), and **C** as falsity (contingency). Results are a 16-valued truth table in row-major and horizontal, or repeating fragments of 128-tables for more variables.

LET $p, q, r, s:$ $p, q, w, v;$ \sim Not; $\&$ And, $\wedge;$ \setminus Not And, $/;$ $>$ Imply, greater than, $\rightarrow;$
 $<$ Not Imply, lesser than, $\in;$ $=$ Equivalent; $\sim(y<x)$ $x\leq y, x\subseteq y,$
 $\%$ possibility, for one or some, \exists $\#$ necessity, for every or all, \forall .

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Remark: We ignore phi-asterisk (φ^*) as a constant/scalar in this demonstration.

[W]e would inductively translate $(\mu p.\varphi)^*$ as $\forall p \forall w (\varphi^*[w/v] \rightarrow p(w)) \rightarrow p(v)$ (29.1)

$\#p\&((\#r\&((r\setminus s)\>(p\&r)))\>(p\&s));$ **FNFN FFFF FNFN FNFN** (29.2)

$(\mu p.\varphi)^* := \exists q \forall p \subseteq q. p \in \text{PRE}((\varphi^*_p)_{\setminus q}) \rightarrow p(v),$ (32.1)

where $p \in \text{PRE}((\varphi^*_p)_{\setminus q})$ expresses that $p \subseteq q$ is a prefixpoint of the map $(\varphi^*_p)_{\setminus q}$, that is:

$p \in \text{PRE}((\varphi^*_p)_{\setminus q}) := \forall w (q(w) \wedge \varphi^*[w/v] \rightarrow p(w).$

$\%q\&(\#p\<((q\&(\#r\&(((q\&r)\&(r\setminus s))\>(p\&s))))\>(p\&s));$ **FFFF FFFF FFFF FFFF** (32.2)

The conjecture to be tested is if Eqs. 29.1 is equivalent to 32.1. (1.1)

$(\#p\&((\#r\&((r\setminus s)\>(p\&r)))\>(p\&s)))=$
 $(\%q\&(\#p\<((q\&(\#r\&(((q\&r)\&(r\setminus s))\>(p\&s))))\>(p\&s)))));$ **TCTT TTTC TCTT TCCT** (1.2)

Eq. 1.2 is *not* tautologous meaning the fixpoint operator cannot map mu-calculus onto second-order logic. This effectively refutes the mapping of mu-calculus onto second-order logic.

Remark: We attempt to rehabilitate the conjecture of Eq. 1.1 by testing for implication ($>$ replaces $=$). (2.1)

$(\#p\&((\#r\&((r\setminus s)\>(p\&r)))\>(p\&s)))\>$
 $(\%q\&(\#p\<((q\&(\#r\&(((q\&r)\&(r\setminus s))\>(p\&s))))\>(p\&s)))));$ **TCTC TTTT TCTC TCTC** (2.2)

which is less desirable value-wise, with six **C** (contingency or falsity) instead of five **C**.