

ON A PROBLEM OF PARTIAL ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT

For a given language  $L$ , the problem of partial  $V$  - algebras asks whether there is a universal algorithm which for any finite partial  $V$  - algebra  $A$ , and any identity  $p \approx q \in \text{Eq}(LUA)$  with no variables, decides whether or not  $FV(A) \models p \approx q$ . First, it is shown that the solution of the word problem implies the solution of the problem of partial algebras for any variety  $V$ . Second, if the problem of partial  $V$  - algebras is solvable, then, a class of finite presentations can be given for which the word problem is solvable.

1. BASIC NOTIONS

Let  $A$  be a set and  $B \subseteq A^n$ . Then  $f: B \rightarrow A$  is called a *partial operation* on  $A$  of type  $n$ .

A *partial algebra*  $A$  is a pair  $(A, F)$ , where  $A$  is a nonvoid set and  $F$  is a collection of partial operations on  $A$ . In our considerations  $F$  is always a finite set.

Let  $A$  be a partial algebra. Denote by  $\Delta(A)$  the *positive diagram* of  $A$ :

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$$\Delta(A) = \{f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = a \mid f \in F, a_1, \dots, a_n \in A,$$

$f(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is defined and equals  $a$  in  $A\}$ .

Of course, if  $A$  is finite, then  $\Delta(A)$  is also finite.

Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are partial algebras.  $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$  is called a *homomorphism* of  $A$  into  $B$  if, whenever  $f(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is defined, then so is  $f(\varphi(a_1), \dots, \varphi(a_n))$  and

$$\varphi(f(a_1, \dots, a_n)) = f(\varphi(a_1), \dots, \varphi(a_n)).$$

A homomorphism  $\varphi$  is an *isomorphism* if  $\varphi$  is a bijection.

Let  $A = (A, F)$  be a partial algebra and let  $\emptyset \neq B \subseteq A$ .

Then

- (i)  $B$  is a *subalgebra* of  $A$  if it is closed under all the operations in  $A$  i.e. if  $b_1, \dots, b_n \in B$  and  $f(b_1, \dots, b_n)$  is defined in  $A$ , then  $f(b_1, \dots, b_n) \in B$ .
- (ii)  $B$  is a *relative subalgebra* of  $A$  if for all  $f \in F$  and all  $b_1, \dots, b_n, b \in B$ , we have:  $f(b_1, \dots, b_n)$  is defined and equals  $b$  if and only if  $f(b_1, \dots, b_n)$  is defined in  $A$  and  $f(b_1, \dots, b_n) = b$  in  $A$ .

It is not difficult to give an example of a partial algebra  $A$  and a set  $B \subseteq A$ , such that  $B$  is the carrier of some relative subalgebra of  $A$  but not the carrier of any subalgebra of  $A$ .

Let  $K$  be a class of algebras,  $A$  a nonvoid set, and  $F$  a set of partial operations on  $A$ . Then,  $(A, F)$  is a *partial  $K$ -algebra* if  $(A, F)$  is a relative subalgebra of an algebra  $B$  in  $K$ . For example, if  $L$  is the class of all the lattices, then, a partial algebra  $A$  is a partial  $L$ -algebra (or simply, partial lattice) if  $A$  is a relative subalgebra (or relative sublattice) of some lattice.

Definition 1.([3]). Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras and let  $A$  be a partial algebra. The algebra  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$  is called the algebra freely generated by the partial algebra  $A$  over  $\mathbf{K}$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i)  $\mathbf{FK}(A) \in \mathbf{K}$ ;

(ii)  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$  is generated by  $A'$  and there exists an isomorphism  $\chi: A' \rightarrow A$  between  $A'$  and  $A$ , where  $A'$  is a relative subalgebra of  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$ ;

(iii) If  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism of  $A$  into  $C \in \mathbf{K}$ , then, there exists a homomorphism  $\psi$  of  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$  into  $C$  such that  $\psi$  is an extension of  $\chi\varphi$ .

□

It is not very hard to prove that  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$  is unique up to the isomorphism and, if  $A$  is an algebra from  $\mathbf{K}$ , then  $\mathbf{FK}(A) \cong A$ . Also, it is well known that if  $\mathbf{K}$  is an equational class, then  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$  exists if  $A$  is (isomorphic to) a relative subalgebra of an algebra  $B$  in  $\mathbf{K}$  (see [3]). In other words, in the case of equational classes  $\mathbf{K}$ ,  $\mathbf{FK}(A)$  exists if  $A$  is a partial  $\mathbf{K}$ -algebra.

For example, if  $A$  is a partial lattice, then,  $\mathbf{FL}(A)$  always exists. It is well known (see [3]) that these lattices (of the form  $\mathbf{FL}(A)$ ) are the lattices that can be described by finitely many generators and finitely many relations.

In order to establish a similar equivalence in the case of an arbitrary variety  $V$ , we need a precise definition of a finitely presented algebra in  $V$ . In the sequel,  $F_V(X)$  denotes the free algebra over  $V$ , generated by a set of free generators  $X$ .

**Definition 2.**([1]). Let  $V = \text{mod}(\Sigma)$  be a variety in the language  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $G$  a set of new constant symbols and  $R$  a set of identities with no variables in the language  $\mathcal{L}UG$ . Then  $(G, R)$  is called a presentation in  $V$ . Let  $\hat{V} = \text{mod}(\Sigma UR)$ . The algebra presented by  $(G, R)$  in  $V$  is the reduct of  $F_{\hat{V}}(\emptyset)$  to the language  $\mathcal{L}$ . We denote such an algebra by  $P_V(G, R)$ . We say that  $P_V(G, R)$  is finitely presented if  $G$  and  $R$  are finite sets.  $\square$

**Proposition 1.** Let  $K = \text{mod}(\Sigma)$  be a variety,  $A$  a partial algebra. Then,

$$FK(A) \cong P_K(A, \Delta(A)).$$

**Proof.** Let  $|A| = m$  and  $\alpha$  be an ordinal with  $|\alpha| = m$ , and  $A = \{a_\gamma \mid \gamma < \alpha\}$ . Let  $\{x_\gamma \mid \gamma < \alpha\}$  be a free generating set of  $F_K(\alpha)$ . Define the mapping

$$\hat{h}: F_K(\alpha) \rightarrow P_K(A, \Delta(A))$$

as an extension of the mapping

$$h: \{x_\gamma \mid \gamma < \alpha\} \rightarrow \{a_\gamma \mid \gamma < \alpha\}, \quad h(x_\gamma) = a_\gamma, \quad \text{for } \gamma < \alpha,$$

to a homomorphism of the whole algebra  $F_K(\alpha)$  into  $P_K(A, \Delta(A))$ . Such a mapping  $\hat{h}$  exists (it is unique), since  $F_K(\alpha)$  is the free algebra of  $K$  and  $P_K(A, \Delta(A)) \in K$ . Further on,  $\hat{h}$  is "onto" since the algebra  $P_K(A, \Delta(A))$  is generated by  $\{a_\gamma \mid \gamma < \alpha\}$ . If we denote by  $\theta$  the kernel of  $\hat{h}$ , then we have

$$F_K(\alpha)/\theta \cong P_K(A, \Delta(A)).$$

On the other hand, we can prove that  $F_K(\alpha)/\theta$  satisfies conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) of Definition 1. (see [3]).

Hence, we obtain

$$FK(A) \cong P_K(A, \Delta(A)). \quad \square$$

## 2. SOME DECIDABILITY PROBLEMS

Denote by  $Eq(f)$  the set of identities in language  $f$ . Let  $V$  be a variety in language  $f$  and  $(G, R)$  a finite presentation in  $V$ .

The *word problem for  $(G, R)$  in  $V$*  asks if there is an algorithm to determine, for any identity  $p \approx q \in Eq(fUG)$  with no variables, whether or not

$$P_V(G, R) \models p \approx q.$$

Let  $K$  be a class of algebras in language  $f$ , and let  $A$  be a partial  $K$ -algebra. The *problem of partial  $K$ -algebra  $A$*  asks if there is algorithm to determine for any identity  $p \approx q \in Eq(fUA)$  with no variables whether or not

$$FK(A) \models p \approx q.$$

We are going to consider the following three problems for a variety  $V$  in language  $f$ .

- I The word problem in the first level for  $V$  asks whether there is a universal algorithm to solve the word problem for all finitely presented algebras in  $V$ .
- II The problem of partial  $V$ -algebras asks if there is a universal algorithm which for any finite partial  $V$ -algebra  $A$ , and any identity  $p \approx q \in Eq(fUA)$  with no variables, decides whether or not

$$FV(A) \models p \approx q.$$

III The problem of quasi-identities for  $V$  asks if there is an algorithm which for any quasi-identity  $q$  in  $\mathcal{L}$  decides whether or not

$$V \models q.$$

□

It is natural to look for the relationship between the problems I, II and III. We can prove the following result

*Proposition 2. ([2]). For any variety, the problem of quasi-identities and the word problem in the first level are equivalent. □*

Hence, for any variety, the problems I and III are equivalent. It is not hard to prove, using Proposition 1. that the positive solution of problem I implies the existence of an algorithm from problem II:

*Proposition 3. Let  $K$  be a variety in language  $\mathcal{L}$ . If the word problem in the first level for  $K$  is solvable, then the problem of partial  $K$  - algebras is solvable too.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a finite partial  $K$  - algebra,  $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \text{Eq}(\mathcal{L}UA)$ , with no variables. Then, because of Proposition 1.,

$$FK(A) \cong P_K(A, \Delta(A)),$$

so that

$$FK(A) \models \mathcal{P} \subseteq q \quad \text{iff} \quad P_K(A, \Delta(A)) \models \mathcal{P} \subseteq q.$$

Hence, directly from the algorithm for the solution

of the word problem, we obtain an algorithm for the solution of the problem of partial algebras.  $\square$

Conversely, can we construct an algorithm for the solution of the word problem knowing an algorithm which solves the problem of partial algebras?

In this paper we shall give a class of finite presentations for which it is possible to construct an algorithm for the solution of the word problem.

### 3. SOME AUXILIARY CONSTRUCTIONS

*Definition 3.* Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a variety in language  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $(A, R)$  some finite presentation in  $\mathbf{K}$ . Then,

(1) If  $t$  is a term in  $\mathcal{L}$ , then by  $\text{Sub}(t)$  we denote the set of all the subterms of  $t$ ;

(2)  $\text{Sub}(R) = \cup \{ \text{Sub}(t) \mid (\exists s) (s \approx t \in R \vee t \approx s \in R) \}$ ;

(3)  $A' = \{ C_\sigma \mid \sigma \in \text{Sub}(R) \} \cup A$ .

$\square$

Note, that the elements of  $\text{Sub}(R)$  are terms in  $\mathcal{L} \cup A$ , with no variables. Denote by  $|t|$  the length of a term  $t$  (i.e. the number of symbols in  $t$ ).

*Definition 4.* Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a variety in  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $(A, R)$  a finite presentation in  $\mathbf{K}$ .

(1) Define the mapping

$$\varphi: \text{Sub}(R) \rightarrow \text{Eq}(\mathcal{L}UA')$$

in the following way:

(i) If  $|t|=1$ , then  $\varphi(t)$  is  $t \approx C_t$ ;

(ii) If  $t = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  where  $f$  is an  $n$ -ary function symbol and  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  are terms, then  $\varphi(t)$  is  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_t$ .

(2) Define the set  $R'$  as

$$R' = \varphi[\text{Sub}(R)] \cup \{C_p \approx C_q \mid |p|=1 \text{ and } p \approx q \in R\} \cup$$

$$\cup \{f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_q \mid p = f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \text{ and } p \approx q \in R\},$$

where  $\varphi[\text{Sub}(R)] = \{\varphi(t) \mid t \in \text{Sub}(R)\}$ .

□

Note that if  $t \in \text{Sub}(R)$  and  $|t|=1$ , then  $t \in A$  or  $t$  is a constant in  $\mathcal{L}$  and the set  $R'$  is a set of identities, in the language  $\mathcal{L}UA'$ , with no variables.

Example 1. Let  $L$  be the variety of all the lattices in the language  $\{\wedge, \vee\}$ ,  $A = \{a, b, d\}$  and

$$R = \{a \wedge b \approx d, (a \vee d) \wedge b \approx d \wedge a\}.$$

Then,

$$\text{Sub}(R) = \{a, b, d, a \wedge b, (a \vee d) \wedge b, a \vee d, d \wedge a\},$$

$$A' = \{C_a, C_b, C_d, C_{a \wedge b}, C_{(a \vee d) \wedge b}, C_{a \vee d}, C_{d \wedge a}, a, b, d\},$$



$$R' = \{ a \approx C_a, b \approx C_b, d \approx C_d, C_a \wedge C_b \approx C_{a \wedge b}, \\ C_{a \vee d} \wedge C_b \approx C_{(a \vee d) \wedge b}, C_a \vee C_d \approx C_{a \vee d}, \\ C_d \wedge C_a \approx C_{d \wedge a}, C_a \wedge C_b \approx C_d, C_{a \vee d} \wedge C_b \approx C_{d \wedge a} \}.$$

□

Recall, now, the rules of inference in the equational logic.

Let  $\tau, \sigma, \theta, \rho, \dots$  be arbitrary terms in  $\mathcal{L}$ . Then,

- (1)  $\tau \approx \tau$  is an axiom;
- (2) From  $\sigma \approx \tau$  infer  $\tau \approx \sigma$ ;
- (3) From  $\sigma \approx \tau$  and  $\tau \approx \theta$  infer  $\sigma \approx \theta$ ;
- (4) If  $\sigma_i \approx \tau_i$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , then for any  $n$ -ary function symbol  $f \in \mathcal{L}$  infer

$$f(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n) \approx f(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n);$$

- (5) If  $\sigma(x_1, \dots, x_n) \approx \tau(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , then for all terms  $p_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  infer

$$\sigma(p_1, \dots, p_n) \approx \tau(p_1, \dots, p_n).$$

□

The following lemmas are about some syntactic properties of sets of identities, therefore the proofs are "technical".

Lemma 1. *Let  $K$  be a variety in  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $(A, R)$  a finite presentation in  $K$ . Then, for every  $t \in \text{Sub}(R)$ , we have*

$$R' \vdash t \approx C_t.$$

Proof. By induction on the length of  $t$ .

(i) If  $|t| = 1$ , then  $t \approx C_t \in R'$  so that

$$R' \vdash t \approx C_t.$$

(ii) Let  $t = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ . Then, since  $t \in \text{Sub}(R)$ , it follows that  $t_1, \dots, t_n \in \text{Sub}(R)$  and by the induction hypothesis

$$R' \vdash t_i \approx C_{t_i}, \quad i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

By the definition of  $R'$ ,  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_t \in R'$ . From the rules of equational logic it follows that

$$R' \vdash f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \approx C_t \quad \text{i.e.}$$

$$R' \vdash t \approx C_t.$$

□

**Lemma 2.** Let  $\hat{R}$  be the set of identities, in the language  $\mathcal{LUA}$ , which appears from the set  $R'$  in such a way that in every identity in  $R'$  every symbol  $C_t$  ( $t \in \text{Sub}(R)$ ) is replaced by  $t$ . Then, for all the identities  $p \approx q$  in  $\mathcal{LUA}$ , and any set  $\Sigma$  of identities in  $\mathcal{L}$ , we have

$$\Sigma \cup \hat{R} \vdash p \approx q \quad \text{iff} \quad \Sigma \cup R' \vdash p \approx q.$$

Proof. Let  $e \in R'$ . Prove that identity  $\hat{e}$ , which appears from  $e$  when we replace all the symbols  $C_t$  by  $t$ , is in  $R$  or it is a trivial identity of the form  $t \approx t$ . If  $e \in R'$  we have four cases.

1)  $e$  is  $t \approx C_t$ ,  $|t| = 1$ . Then,  $\hat{e}$  is the trivial identity  $t \approx t$ .

- 2)  $e$  is  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_t$ , where  $t = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ . But, then again, we have  $t \approx t$ .
- 3)  $e$  is  $C_p \approx C_q$ , where  $|p| = 1$  and  $p \approx q \in R$ . Then  $\hat{e}$  is  $p \approx q$ , which belongs to  $R$ .
- 4)  $e$  is  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_q$ , where  $p \approx q \in R$  and  $p = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ . Then  $\hat{e}$  is  $f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \approx q$ , which belongs to  $R$ .

Therefore

$$R \vdash \hat{R}.$$

Conversely,  $R \subseteq \hat{R}$  since if  $p \approx q \in R$  and  $p = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ , then  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_q \in R$ , so that  $f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \approx q \in \hat{R}$  i.e.  $p \approx q \in \hat{R}$ .

Therefore,  $\hat{R} \vdash R$  and the proof is ended.

□

Example 2. Let  $L$  be the variety of all the lattices and  $(A, R)$  be the same as in Example 1. Then,

$$\hat{R} = \{a \approx a, b \approx b, d \approx d, a \wedge b \approx a \wedge b, (a \vee d) \wedge b \approx (a \vee d) \wedge b, \\ a \vee d \approx a \vee d, d \wedge a \approx d \wedge a, a \wedge b \approx d, (a \vee d) \wedge b \approx d \wedge b\}$$

□

#### 4. MAIN RESULT

From the set  $R'$  we obtained (by the replacement of some symbols) the set  $\hat{R}$ , which is of the same "deductive power" as the set  $R$ . On the other hand, our aim is to obtain from the set  $R'$  such a set of identities  $R^*$  which can be the positive

diagram of some partial algebra. First of all, from the set  $R'$  we have to take out the identities of the form  $t \approx C_t$ , where  $|t| = 1$ . Further on, in the set  $R'$  there are identities of the form  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_p$  and  $f(C_{t_1}, \dots, C_{t_n}) \approx C_q$ , where  $C_p \neq C_q$ , and therefore are not supposed to be in the positive diagram of some partial algebra.

We shall formulate two rules:

- ( $\alpha$ ) If a set of identities  $I$  contains an identity of the form  $p \approx q$ , where  $|p| = |q| = 1$ , then we take out this identity from the set  $I$  and in all the other identities we replace the symbol  $q$  by  $p$ .
- ( $\beta$ ) If a set of identities  $I$  contains some identities of the form  $t \approx t_1$ ,  $t \approx t_2$ , where  $t_1 \neq t_2$ , then from  $I$  we take out the identity  $t \approx t_2$  and in all the other identities we replace the symbol  $t_2$  by  $t_1$ .

□

Let  $I$  be a set of identities. Denote by  $\alpha(I)$  the set of identities which appears from  $I$ , if the rule  $\alpha$  is applied, and by  $\beta(I)$  the set of identities which appears from  $I$ , when the rule  $\beta$  is applied.

We say that the set of identities  $I$  is  $\alpha$ -pure if  $\alpha(I) = I$ . Analogously,  $I$  is  $\beta$ -pure if  $\beta(I) = I$ . Obviously, if  $I$  is a finite set of identities, then there are natural numbers  $m, n$  such that the set  $\alpha^n(I)$  is  $\alpha$ -pure and the set  $\beta^m(I)$  is  $\beta$ -pure.

*Definition 5. Let  $(A, R)$  be a finite presentation in a variety  $K$ . Let  $n$  be a natural number such that  $\alpha^n(R')$  is  $\alpha$ -pure and  $m$  be a natural number such that  $\beta^m(\alpha^n(R'))$  is  $\beta$ -pure. Then, let*

$$R^* = \beta^m(\alpha^n(R'))$$

and  $A^*$  be the set of all these symbols from  $A' \cup \text{const}(\mathcal{L})$  which appear in the identities of  $R^*$ .

□

It is not difficult to see that  $R^* \subseteq \text{Eq}(\mathcal{L} \cup A^*)$  and that  $R^*$  is the positive diagram of a partial algebra (in the language  $\mathcal{L}$ ) with a carrier  $A^*$ . Denote this algebra by  $A^*$ .

We can assume, not losing generality, that  $A \subseteq A^*$  i.e. that in application of the rule  $\alpha$  we have  $q \notin A$  and in the application of rule  $\beta$ , we have  $t_2 \notin A$ .

Example 3. Let  $L$  be the variety of all the lattices and  $(A, R)$  the same as in Example 1. Then,

$$\alpha^3(R^1) = \{a \wedge b \approx c_{a \wedge b}, c_{a \vee d} \wedge b \approx c_{(a \vee d) \wedge b}, a \vee d \approx c_{a \vee d}, \\ d \wedge a \approx c_{d \wedge a}, a \wedge b \approx d, c_{a \vee d} \wedge b \approx c_{d \wedge a}\},$$

$$R^* = \beta^2(\alpha^3(R^1)) = \{a \vee d \approx c_{a \vee d}, d \wedge a \approx c_{d \wedge a}, a \wedge b \approx d, \\ c_{a \vee d} \wedge b \approx c_{d \wedge a}\},$$

$$A^* = \{a, b, d, c_{a \vee d}, c_{d \wedge a}\},$$

$$A^* = (A^*, \wedge, \vee), \text{ where } \Delta(A^*) = R^*$$

□

Lemma 3.

(i) Let  $\Sigma(c, d)$  be a set of identities in  $\mathcal{L}$  which contain the symbols  $c$  and  $d$  as constant symbols and let  $\varphi(c)$  be an identity not containing  $d$ . Then,

$$\Sigma(c, d) \cup \{c \approx d\} \vdash \varphi(c) \quad \text{iff} \quad \Sigma(c, c) \vdash \varphi(c).$$

(ii) In point (i), we can put, instead of the constants  $c$  and  $d$ , any closed terms  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ .

Proof.

(+). Let  $\Sigma(c,c) \vdash \varphi(c)$ . Then, since

$$\Sigma(c,d) \cup \{c \approx d\} \vdash \Sigma(c,c),$$

we have

$$\Sigma(c,d) \cup \{c \approx d\} \vdash \varphi(c).$$

( $\rightarrow$ ). Prove the following:

If  $\Sigma(c,d) \cup \{c \approx d\} \vdash \psi(c,d)$  and if

$$(*) \quad \psi_1(c,d), \psi_2(c,d), \dots, \psi_n(c,d) = \psi(c,d)$$

is a proof-sequence for  $\psi(c,d)$ , then

$$(**) \quad \psi_1(c,c), \psi_2(c,c), \dots, \psi_n(c,c) = \psi(c,c)$$

is a proof-sequence for  $\psi(c,c)$  from  $\Sigma(c,c)$ .

Clearly, if  $n=1$ , then

$$\psi(c,d) \in \Sigma(c,d) \cup \{c \approx d\}$$

or it is an axiom of equational logic. Then,  $\psi(c,c) \in \Sigma(c,c)$  or  $\psi(c,c)$  is  $c \approx c$  or it is an axiom, so that

$$\Sigma(c,c) \vdash \psi(c,c).$$

Suppose the assertion holds for  $k < n$  and prove that it holds for  $n$ . Then,  $\psi_n(c,d)$  is obtained by rules (2)-(5) from some

previous identities in sequence (\*). It is not difficult to see then that  $\psi_n(c,c)$  is obtained by the *same* rule from the corresponding formulas in sequence (\*\*).

(ii) Analogously to (i).

□

*Corollary.* Let  $K = \text{mod}(\Sigma)$  be a variety in  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $(A,R)$  a finite presentation in  $K$ . Then, for every identity  $p \approx q \in \text{Eq}(\mathcal{L}UA)$  with no variables,

$$\Sigma UR \vdash p \approx q \quad \text{iff} \quad \Sigma UR^* \vdash p \approx q.$$

*Proof.* On the one hand,

$$\Sigma UR^* \vdash p \approx q \quad \text{iff}$$

$$\text{iff } \Sigma UR^* U \{ t \in C_t \mid t \in \text{Sub}(R) \} \vdash p \approx q \quad (\text{Lemma 1.})$$

$$\text{iff } \Sigma UR^* \hat{\vdash} p \approx q \quad (\text{Lemma 3.})$$

$$\text{iff } \Sigma UR \vdash p \approx q. \quad (\text{Lemma 2.})$$

On the other hand,

$$\Sigma UR^* \vdash p \approx q$$

$$\text{iff } \Sigma UR^* \hat{\vdash} p \approx q,$$

because of the construction of  $R^*$  and Lemma 3. Therefore,

$$\Sigma UR \vdash p \approx q \quad \text{iff} \quad \Sigma UR^* \vdash p \approx q.$$

□

**Proposition 4.** *Let  $(A, R)$  be a finite presentation in a variety  $K = \text{mod}(\Sigma)$ , in language  $L$ , and let  $A^*$  be a  $K$ -partial algebra. Then, if the problem of the partial algebra  $A^*$  in  $K$  is solvable, the word problem for  $(A, R)$  in  $K$  is solvable, too.*

**Proof.** Let  $p \approx q \in \text{Eq}(LUA)$ , with no variables. Then,

$$P_K(A, R) \models p \approx q$$

$$\Sigma UR \models p \approx q \quad (\text{Definition 2.})$$

$$\text{iff } \Sigma UR^* \models p \approx q \quad (\text{Corollary})$$

$$\text{iff } P_K(A^*, R^*) \models p \approx q \quad (\text{Definition 2.})$$

$$\text{iff } FK(A^*) \models p \approx q. \quad (\text{Proposition 1.})$$

□

Hence, if the problem of partial  $K$ -algebras is solvable, then we can solve the word problem for all those finite presentations  $(A, R)$  in  $K$  for which the corresponding partial algebra  $A^*$  is a  $K$ -partial algebra. It is easy to give an example of a variety  $K$  and a finite presentation  $(A, R)$ , so that  $A^*$  is not  $K$ -partial algebra.

**Example 4.** Let  $L$  be the variety of all the lattices,  $A = \{a, b, d\}$ ,  $R = \{a \wedge b = a, b \wedge a = d\}$ . Then,  $R^* = R$  and  $A^* = A$ . But then  $A^*$  is not a partial lattice i.e. it is not a relative subalgebra of any lattice  $B$  (we shall have that  $a=d$ ).



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## REZIME

## O JEDNOM PROBLEMU PARCIJALNIH ALGEBRI

Neka je  $A$  konačna parcijalna algebra,  $V$  varijetet a  $FV(A)$  algebra slobodno generisana sa  $A$  u  $V$ .

Problem parcijalnih  $V$ -algebri pita da li postoji univerzalni algoritam koji odlučuje da li za bilo koji identitet  $p \approx q \in \text{Eq}(\mathcal{L}UA)$ , bez promenljivih, važi

$$FV(A) \models p \approx q.$$

U radu se ispituje odnos problema reči za  $V$  i problema parcijalnih algebri. Pokazano je da rešivost problema reči implicira rešivost problema parcijalnih algebri. Takodje, data je klasa konačnih prezentacija za koju rešivost problema parcijalnih algebri implicira rešivost problema reči.

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