

# Homomorphism Theorem of Generalized Logic Programs

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In order to solve complicated problems, we often simplify the problem into more manageable abstract problems, and get information for the original problem by solving it in an abstract form. Such techniques are widely used in problem solving (**hierarchical planning**) or program analysis (**abstract interpretation**).

In this paper we propose a new framework and the conditions where such techniques are safely used. Based on the **theory of generalized logic programs**, we introduce the concept of **homomorphism** between two program domains and prove the **homomorphism theorem** which gives the relation between the **declarative semantics** of two programs. The theory is elegant and general because the theory of generalized logic programs unifies the theory of declarative semantics for various declarative programs, even if the program domain is concrete or abstract.

## 一般化論理プログラムの準同型定理

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複雑な問題を解くために、もとの問題を扱いやすい形に抽象化して、その解からもとの問題に関する情報を得ることがよくある。そのような手法は問題解決（階層的問題解決）やプログラム解析（抽象解釈）などで、広く用いられている。

本論文では、そのような手法を議論するための基礎となる新しい枠組を提案する。我々は一般化論理プログラムの理論を基礎にして、2つのプログラム領域の間の準同型写像の概念を新しく導入し、2つのプログラムの宣言の意味に関する準同型定理を証明する。ここで一般的でエレガントな理論が得られるのは、一般化論理プログラムの理論が広範な宣言的プログラムに対する統一的な宣言の意味論を与えているためで、それによって具体的な領域だけでなく、抽象的な領域のプログラムもまったく同様に扱うことができるからである。

# 1 Introduction

When we are asked whether  $25676 + 10851$  is even or odd, we can immediately answer that the result is odd. Instead of performing the addition of 25676 and 10851, we use the rule of modulo arithmetic that tells us that adding an even number with an odd number always gives us an odd result. We use such techniques very often to solve complicated problems in the field of computer science and artificial intelligence [6, 5]. Therefore it is very useful to find the conditions where such techniques can be used safely.

In this paper we formalize the safety conditions in the framework of the theory of generalized logic programs [1, 3]. For this purpose, we will discuss the following items.

- two **specialization systems**, which correspond to, respectively, the concrete base domain and the abstract one.
- two **generalized logic programs**, which correspond to, respectively, the concrete system of computation and the abstract one.
- a **homomorphism** between two specialization systems, which explains the reason why we can regard the one base domain as concrete and the other as abstract.
- a **homomorphic relation** between two generalized logic programs, which explains the reason why we can regard the one system of computation as concrete and the other as abstract
- **declarative semantics** of two generalized logic programs, which correspond to the meaning of, respectively, the concrete system of computation and the abstract one.
- a **inclusion relation** between the two declarative semantics, which guarantees that the abstract system of computation can be safely used for getting information of the result of the concrete computation.

Note that such a theory can not be constructed elegantly in the usual framework of logic programs, because the usual concept of logic programs is too specific to deal with both concrete and abstract programs uniformly. In the usual theory the base domain is fixed to the usual concrete atoms consisting of predicate and terms, which provides the foundation for discussing concrete programs. However it does not provide a base domain for abstract programs. Strictly speaking, in the usual theory abstract programs are not logic programs in the sense that they do not have the same declarative semantics as the concrete programs have. This difficulty is overcome by the theory of generalized logic programs, because it provides us a very general concept of logic programs on various base domains, whether concrete or abstract.

## 2 Specialization System and Programs

### 2.1 Specialization Systems

By generalizing the structure of terms and substitutions, we have defined [1] more abstract structures called specialization systems, which are the formalization of base domains on which generalized logic programs (GLPs) are defined.

**Definition 1** A *specialization system* is a 4-tuple  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{S}, \mu \rangle$  that satisfies the following conditions.

- (1)  $\mu : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \text{partial\_map}(\mathcal{A})$
- (2)  $\forall s_1, s_2 \in \mathcal{S}, \exists s \in \mathcal{S} : \mu(s) = \mu(s_2) \circ \mu(s_1)$
- (3)  $\exists s \in \mathcal{S}, \forall a \in \mathcal{A} : \mu(s)(a) = a$
- (4)  $\mathcal{A} \supset \mathcal{G}$

Elements of  $\mathcal{A}$  are called objects or atoms. Elements of  $\mathcal{S}$  are called *specializations*. The specializations that satisfy (3) are called *identity specializations*.

When there is no danger of confusion, we regard elements in  $\mathcal{S}$  as partial mappings over  $\mathcal{A}$ , and use the following notational convention. Each element in  $\mathcal{S}$  which is identified as a partial mapping on  $\mathcal{A}$  is denoted by a Greek letter such as  $\theta$ , and the application of such a partial mapping is represented by postfix notation. For example,  $s \in \mathcal{S}, \mu(s)(a)$  and  $\mu(s_n) \circ \mu(s_{n-1}) \circ \dots \circ \mu(s_1)$  are denoted respectively by  $\theta \in \mathcal{S}, a\theta$  and  $\theta_1 \circ \theta_2 \circ \dots \circ \theta_n$ . The composition operator  $\circ$  is often omitted.

From the definition,  $\mu$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{S} \times \text{partial\_map}(\mathcal{A})$ . As each element in  $\text{partial\_map}(\mathcal{A})$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mu$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{S} \times \text{powerset}(\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A})$ . We often regard  $\mu$  as a subset of  $\mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$ , because  $\mu \subset \mathcal{S} \times \text{powerset}(\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A})$  and  $\nu \subset \mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$  determine each other uniquely by the following equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \{(s, M) \mid M = \{(a, b) \mid (s, a, b) \in \nu\}\} \\ \nu &= \{(s, a, b) \mid (s, M) \in \mu, (a, b) \in M\} \end{aligned}$$

## 2.2 Examples of Specialization Systems

Throughout this paper we use the example of modulo arithmetic. Here we will give two examples of specialization systems which correspond to concrete and abstract base domains for the example of modulo arithmetic.

### Example 1 [a specialization system for the concrete system of computation]

We use usual terms to represent concrete numbers. Let  $V_1 = \{X, Y, Z, W, U, \dots\}$ ,  $K_1 = \{0\}$ ,  $F_1 = \{\text{suc}\}$  and  $P_1 = \{\text{plus}\}$ . Each element of  $V_1$ ,  $K_1$ ,  $F_1$  and  $P_1$  is called, respectively, a *variable*, a *constant*, a *function* and a *predicate*. Let  $\mathcal{T}_1$  be the set of all terms (in the usual sense) over  $V_1$ ,  $K_1$  and  $F_1$ . For instance,  $0$ ,  $\text{suc}(\text{suc}(X))$  and  $\text{suc}(0)$  are terms over  $V_1$ ,  $K_1$  and  $F_1$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_1$  be the set of all atoms of the form  $\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3)$  where  $t_i$ 's are terms in  $\mathcal{T}_1$ . For instance,  $\text{plus}(0, \text{suc}(\text{suc}(X)), \text{suc}(0))$  is an atom in  $\mathcal{A}_1$ . Let  $\mathcal{G}_1$  be the set of all ground atoms in  $\mathcal{A}_1$ , that is,  $\{\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3) \mid t_1, t_2, t_3 \in \{0, \text{suc}(0), \text{suc}(\text{suc}(0)), \dots\}\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_1$  be the set of all substitutions over  $V_1$  and  $\mathcal{T}_1$ . Substitutions in  $\mathcal{S}_1$  are sets of pairs of variables in  $V_1$  and terms in  $\mathcal{T}_1$ . For instance,  $\{X/\text{suc}(Y), Y/0\}$  is a substitution. Application of a substitution  $\theta$  to atoms defines a mapping  $M_\theta$  on  $\mathcal{A}_1$ . The mapping,  $\mu_1 : \mathcal{S}_1 \rightarrow \text{map}(\mathcal{A}_1)$  is also defined to give such a mapping  $M_\theta$  for each substitution  $\theta$ . For instance,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(\{X/\text{suc}(0)\})(\text{plus}(0, \text{suc}(\text{suc}(X)), \text{suc}(X))) \\ = \text{plus}(0, \text{suc}(\text{suc}(\text{suc}(0))), \text{suc}(\text{suc}(0))). \end{aligned}$$

Then the 4-tuple  $\Gamma_1 = \langle \mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{S}_1, \mu_1 \rangle$  is a specialization system.

**Example 2 [a specialization system for the abstract system of computation]**

We use “abstract terms” to represent “abstract numbers”. Let  $V_2 = V_1$ ,  $K_2 = \{\text{even, odd}\}$ ,  $F_2 = F_1$  and  $P_2 = P_1$ . Each element of  $V_2$ ,  $K_2$ ,  $F_2$  and  $P_2$  is called, respectively, a *variable*, a *constant*, a *function* and a *predicate*. Let  $\mathcal{T}_2 = V_2 \cup K_2 \cup \{\text{suc}(x) \mid x \in V_2\}$  be a set of terms over  $V_2$ ,  $K_2$  and  $F_2$ . For instance,  $Y$ ,  $\text{even}$ ,  $\text{odd}$ ,  $\text{suc}(X)$  and  $\text{suc}(Y)$  are terms in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . Note that  $\text{suc}(\text{suc}(X))$  and  $\text{suc}(\text{suc}(\text{suc}(\text{even})))$  are not terms in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_2$  be the set of all atoms of the form  $\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3)$  where  $t_i$ 's are terms in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . For instance,  $\text{plus}(\text{odd}, \text{suc}(X), \text{even})$  is an atom in  $\mathcal{A}_2$ . Note that  $\text{plus}(\text{odd}, \text{suc}(\text{suc}(X)), \text{suc}(\text{odd}))$  is not an atom in  $\mathcal{A}_2$  because  $\text{suc}(\text{suc}(X))$  and  $\text{suc}(\text{odd})$  are not in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . Let  $\mathcal{G}_2$  be the set of all ground atoms in  $\mathcal{A}_2$ , that is,  $\mathcal{G}_2 = \{\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3) \mid t_1, t_2, t_3 \in \{\text{even, odd}\}\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_2$  be the set of all substitutions over  $V_2$  and  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . Substitutions in  $\mathcal{S}_2$  are sets of pairs of variables in  $V_2$  and terms in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . For instance,  $\{X/\text{suc}(Y), Y/\text{even}, Z/W\}$  is a substitution in  $\mathcal{S}_2$ . But  $\{X/\text{suc}(\text{suc}(Y)), Y/0\}$  is not a substitution in  $\mathcal{S}_2$  because  $\text{suc}(\text{suc}(Y))$  and  $0$  are not in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . Next we define a mapping  $\nu_2 : \mathcal{S}_2 \rightarrow \text{map}(\mathcal{T}_2)$  as follows.

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\nu_2(\theta)(k) = k & \dots \quad \theta \in \mathcal{S}_2, k \in K_2 \\
\nu_2(\theta)(x) = x\theta & \dots \quad \theta \in \mathcal{S}_2, x \in V_2 \\
\nu_2(\theta)(\text{suc}(x)) = \text{suc}(x\theta) & \dots \quad \theta \in \mathcal{S}_2, x \in V_2, x\theta \in V_2 \\
\nu_2(\theta)(\text{suc}(x)) = \text{odd} & \dots \quad \theta \in \mathcal{S}_2, x \in V_2, x\theta = \text{even} \in K_2 \\
\nu_2(\theta)(\text{suc}(x)) = \text{even} & \dots \quad \theta \in \mathcal{S}_2, x \in V_2, x\theta = \text{odd} \in K_2 \\
\nu_2(\theta)(\text{suc}(x)) = y & \dots \quad \theta \in \mathcal{S}_2, x \in V_2, x\theta = \text{suc}(y), y \in V_2
\end{array}$$

For instance,  $\nu_2(\{X/\text{even}\})(\text{odd}) = \text{odd}$ ,  $\nu_2(\{X/\text{even}\})(X) = \text{even}$ ,  $\nu_2(\{X/\text{even}\})(\text{suc}(Y)) = \text{suc}(Y)$ ,  $\nu_2(\{X/\text{even}\})(\text{suc}(X)) = \text{odd}$ . Using  $\nu_2$  we define  $\mu_2$  by  $\mu_2(\theta)(\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3)) = \text{plus}(\nu_2(\theta)(t_1), \nu_2(\theta)(t_2), \nu_2(\theta)(t_3))$  where  $t_i$ 's are terms in  $\mathcal{T}_2$ . For example,  $\mu_2(\{X/\text{suc}(Y), Y/\text{even}\})(\text{plus}(\text{even}, \text{suc}(X), \text{suc}(Y))) = \text{plus}(\text{even}, Y, \text{odd})$ .

Then the 4-tuple  $\Gamma_2 = \langle \mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{S}_2, \mu_2 \rangle$  is a specialization system.

**2.3 Programs on Specialization Systems**

We review the definition of generalized logic programs (GLPs) on specialization systems. Details are found in [1]. We fix a specialization system  $\Gamma = \langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{S}, \mu \rangle$ .

**Definition 2** A *program clause* on  $\mathcal{A}$  (or on  $\Gamma$ ) is a clause of the form  $H \leftarrow A_1, \dots, A_n$ , where  $H, A_1, \dots, A_n$  are atoms in  $\mathcal{A}$ . A *logic program* on  $\mathcal{A}$  (or on  $\Gamma$ ) is a (possibly infinite) set of program clauses on  $\mathcal{A}$  (or on  $\Gamma$ ).

The set of all program clauses on  $\mathcal{A}$  (or on  $\Gamma$ ) is denoted by  $P\text{clause}(\mathcal{A})$  (or by  $P\text{clause}(\Gamma)$ ). The set of all programs on  $\mathcal{A}$  (or on  $\Gamma$ ) is denoted by  $P\text{rogram}(\mathcal{A})$  (or by  $P\text{rogram}(\Gamma)$ ).

**Example 3 [a GLP corresponding to the concrete system of computation]**

Let  $P_1$  be a set  $\{C_{11}, C_{12}\}$  of two clauses:

$$C_{11}: \text{plus}(0, Y, Y) \leftarrow$$

$$C_{12}: \text{plus}(\text{suc}(X), Y, \text{suc}(Z)) \leftarrow \text{plus}(X, Y, Z)$$

Then  $P_1$  is obviously a program on  $\Gamma_1$ .

**Example 4** [a GLP corresponding to the abstract system of computation]

Let  $P_2$  be a set  $\{C_{21}, C_{22}\}$  of two clauses:

$C_{21}$ :  $\text{plus}(\text{even}, Y, Y) \leftarrow$

$C_{22}$ :  $\text{plus}(\text{suc}(X), Y, \text{suc}(Z)) \leftarrow \text{plus}(X, Y, Z)$

Then  $P_2$  is obviously a program on  $\Gamma_2$ .

### 3 Homomorphism

#### 3.1 Tuples of Mappings

Let  $D_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$  and  $R_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$  be sets. The set of all tuples  $\langle h_1, h_2, \dots, h_n \rangle$  of mappings  $h_i : D_i \rightarrow R_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$  is denoted by  $\text{Map}(D_1, R_1; D_2, R_2; \dots; D_n, R_n)$ .

Tuples of mappings determine various mappings. For example, let  $h = \langle h_1, h_2 \rangle$  be a tuple of mappings in  $\text{Map}(D_1, R_1; D_2, R_2)$ . Let  $\gamma : D_1 \times D_2 \rightarrow R_1 \times R_2$  be defined by  $\gamma(x, y) = (h_1(x), h_2(y))$ . We write  $h(x, y)$  instead of  $\gamma(x, y)$  only when its meaning is obvious from the contexts. Such convention is also used in the case of  $h_1$  and  $h_2$ . We write  $h(x)$  instead of  $h_1(x)$ , and  $h(y)$  instead of  $h_2(y)$  as far as we can understand the meaning. Such convention is widely used in this paper because of simplicity.

**Example 5** [a tuple of mappings]

We give an example of a tuple of mappings, which will turn out to be a homomorphism in example 6. Let us define  $h = \langle h_A, h_S \rangle$  in  $\text{Map}(\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2; \mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2)$ . First we introduce the following notational convention. Terms of the form  $E, \text{suc}(E), \text{suc}(\text{suc}(E)), \text{suc}(\text{suc}(\text{suc}(E))), \text{suc}(\text{suc}(\text{suc}(\text{suc}(E))))$ ,  $\dots$  are denoted, respectively, by  $\text{suc}^0(E), \text{suc}^1(E), \text{suc}^2(E), \text{suc}^3(E), \text{suc}^4(E), \dots$ .

Note that  $\mathcal{T}_1 = \{\text{suc}^n(0) \mid n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}\} \cup \{\text{suc}^n(x) \mid n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}, x \in V_1\}$ . Therefore we can define  $h_{\mathcal{T}} : \mathcal{T}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_2$  by

$$\begin{array}{ll} h_{\mathcal{T}}(\text{suc}^n(0)) = \text{even} & \dots \quad n \text{ is even.} \\ h_{\mathcal{T}}(\text{suc}^n(0)) = \text{odd} & \dots \quad n \text{ is odd.} \\ h_{\mathcal{T}}(\text{suc}^n(x)) = x & \dots \quad n \text{ is even, } x \in V_1 \\ h_{\mathcal{T}}(\text{suc}^n(x)) = \text{suc}(x) & \dots \quad n \text{ is odd, } x \in V_1 \end{array}$$

This definition is well defined since  $V_1 = V_2$ .

Now we can define  $h = \langle h_A, h_S \rangle$  using  $h_{\mathcal{T}}$ .

- $h_A : \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2$  by  $h_A(\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3)) = \text{plus}(h_{\mathcal{T}}(t_1), h_{\mathcal{T}}(t_2), h_{\mathcal{T}}(t_3))$ .
- $h_S : \mathcal{S}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_2$  by  $h_S(\theta) = \{x/h_{\mathcal{T}}(t) \mid x/t \in \theta, x \in V_1, t \in \mathcal{T}_1\}$

These are well defined because  $P_1 = P_2 = \{\text{plus}\}$ ,  $h_{\mathcal{T}}$  is from  $\mathcal{T}_1$  to  $\mathcal{T}_2$  and  $V_1 = V_2$ . Then,  $h = \langle h_A, h_S \rangle$  is a tuple of mappings in  $\text{Map}(\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2; \mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2)$ .

### 3.2 Homomorphism

We define a homomorphism from a specialization system to a specialization system.

**Definition 3** Let  $\Gamma_1 = \langle \mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{S}_1, \mu_1 \rangle$  and  $\Gamma_2 = \langle \mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{S}_2, \mu_2 \rangle$  be specialization systems. Let  $h$  be a tuple of mappings in  $Map(\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2; \mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2)$ .  $h$  is a *homomorphism* from  $\Gamma_1$  to  $\Gamma_2$  iff (1)  $h(\mu_1) \subset \mu_2$  and (2)  $h(\mathcal{G}_1) \subset \mathcal{G}_2$ .

Note that  $\mu_1$  in  $h(\mu_1)$  and  $\mu_2$  in  $h(\mu_2)$  are regarded respectively as subsets of  $\mathcal{S}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2 \times \mathcal{A}_2 \times \mathcal{A}_2$ . Note also that  $h$  in definition 3 is regarded as the following four kind of mappings :

1. a mapping from  $\mathcal{A}_1$  to  $\mathcal{A}_2$
2. a mapping from  $\mathcal{S}_1$  to  $\mathcal{S}_2$
3. a mapping from  $powerset(\mathcal{S}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_1)$  to  $powerset(\mathcal{S}_2 \times \mathcal{A}_2 \times \mathcal{A}_2)$
4. a mapping from  $powerset(\mathcal{A}_1)$  to  $powerset(\mathcal{A}_2)$

**Proposition 1** Let  $h$  be a homomorphism from  $\Gamma_1$  to  $\Gamma_2$ . If an element  $\theta$  in  $\mathcal{S}_1$  is applicable to an element  $a$  in  $\mathcal{A}_1$ , then

- (1)  $h(\theta)$  is applicable to  $h(a)$ , and
- (2)  $h(a\theta) = h(a)h(\theta)$

**Example 6** We prove that  $h = \langle h_A, h_S \rangle$  is a homomorphism from  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$ .

1. [Proof of  $h(\mu_1) \subset \mu_2$ ]

$$h(\theta, \text{suc}^m(0), \text{suc}^m(0)) = (h(\theta), \text{odd}, \text{odd}) \in \mu_2 \cdots m \text{ is odd.}$$

$$h(\theta, \text{suc}^m(0), \text{suc}^m(0)) = (h(\theta), \text{even}, \text{even}) \in \mu_2 \cdots m \text{ is even.}$$

$$h(\theta, \text{suc}^m(x), \text{suc}^m(x)) = (h(\theta), \text{suc}(x), \text{suc}(x)) \in \mu_2 \cdots x \in V_1, x/t \notin \theta, m \text{ is odd.}$$

$$h(\theta, \text{suc}^m(x), \text{suc}^m(x)) = (h(\theta), x, x) \in \mu_2 \cdots x \in V_1, x/t \notin \theta, m \text{ is even.}$$

$$h(\theta, \text{suc}^m(x), \text{suc}^{m+n}(y)) = (h(\theta), \text{suc}(x), y) \in \mu_2$$

$$\cdots x \in V_1, x/\text{suc}^n(y) \in \theta, y \in V_1, m \text{ is odd, } n \text{ is odd.}$$

Other cases are omitted because of space limitation.

2. [Proof of  $h(\mathcal{G}_1) \subset \mathcal{G}_2$ ]

Since  $\mathcal{G}_1 = \{\text{suc}^m(0) \mid m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}\}$ ,  $h(\mathcal{G}_1) = \{\text{even}, \text{odd}\}$ , which is equal to  $\mathcal{G}_2$ .

### 3.3 Program Transformation by Homomorphism

A mapping  $h : \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2$  is naturally extended to a mapping  $h : Pclause(\mathcal{A}_1) \rightarrow Pclause(\mathcal{A}_2)$ , which maps a clause  $C = (H \leftarrow B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n)$  on  $\mathcal{A}_1$  to a clause  $h(C) = (h(H) \leftarrow h(B_1), h(B_2), \dots, h(B_n))$  on  $\mathcal{A}_2$ .

Moreover,  $h$  is extended to a mapping  $h : Program(\Gamma_1) \rightarrow Program(\Gamma_2)$  which maps a program  $P$  on  $\Gamma_1$  to a program  $h(P) = \{h(C) \mid C \in P\}$  on  $\Gamma_2$ .

**Example 7** We have already defined  $h = \langle h_A, h_S \rangle$  in example 5, which is a homomorphism from  $\Gamma_1$  to  $\Gamma_2$ . We have also defined  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  in example 3 and 4, which are programs, respectively, on  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$ . Then the first clause  $C_{11}$  in  $P_1 : (\text{plus}(0, Y, Y) \leftarrow)$  is transformed by  $h$  into the first clause  $C_{21}$  in  $P_2 : (\text{plus}(\text{even}, Y, Y) \leftarrow)$  because  $h(0) = \text{even}$ . The second clause  $C_{12}$  of  $P_1 : (\text{plus}(\text{suc}(X), Y, \text{suc}(Z)) \leftarrow \text{plus}(X, Y, Z))$  is transformed by  $h$  into the second clause  $C_{22}$  of  $P_2 : (\text{plus}(\text{suc}(X), Y, \text{suc}(Z)) \leftarrow \text{plus}(X, Y, Z))$ , which is identical to  $C_{12}$ . Therefore, the program  $P_1$  on  $\Gamma_1$  is transformed by  $h$  into the program  $P_2$  on  $\Gamma_2$ , that is,  $h(P_1) = P_2$ .

## 4 Homomorphism Theorem

The aim of this section is to establish the relation between the semantics of two programs which are connected by a homomorphism of specialization systems.

### 4.1 Declarative Semantics and Homomorphism

The semantics of a program  $P$ , which is denoted by  $\mathcal{M}(P)$ , is defined by

$$\mathcal{M}(P) = M_P = \text{lfp}(K_P) = K_P \uparrow \omega = \text{lfp}(T_P) = T_P \uparrow \omega = \cup [T_P]^n(\emptyset).$$

where  $T_P$  is a one-step-inference transformation of  $P$  and  $K_P = T_P + I_d$  is a knowledge-increasing transformation of  $P$  [2]. In the following,  $[T_P]^n(\emptyset)$  is denoted by  $T(P, n)$ .

We review the proposition which explains the relation between  $T(P, n)$  and  $\mathcal{M}(P)$ .

**Proposition 2** Let  $P$  be a logic program on a specialization system  $\Gamma$ . Then,

$$g \in \mathcal{M}(P) \Leftrightarrow \exists n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} : g \in T(P, n)$$

**Example 8** We give the declarative semantics of logic programs  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  in example 3 and 4.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(P_1) &= \{ \text{plus}(\text{suc}^m(0), \text{suc}^n(0), \text{suc}^{m+n}(0)) \\ &\quad | m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}, n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \}. \\ \mathcal{M}(P_2) &= \{ \text{plus}(\text{even}, \text{even}, \text{even}), \text{plus}(\text{even}, \text{odd}, \text{odd}), \\ &\quad \text{plus}(\text{odd}, \text{even}, \text{odd}), \text{plus}(\text{odd}, \text{odd}, \text{even}) \} \end{aligned}$$

### 4.2 Homomorphism Theorem

First we give a proposition which relates a homomorphism  $h$  with  $T(P, n)$ .

**Proposition 3** Let  $h$  be a homomorphism from  $\Gamma_1$  to  $\Gamma_2$ . Let  $P$  be a logic program on  $\Gamma_1$ . Then <sup>1</sup>, for arbitrary non-negative integer  $n$ ,

$$h(T(P, n)) \subset T(h(P), n).$$

The following is the main theorem in this paper.

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<sup>1</sup> $T(P, n)$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{G}_1$ .  $h$  in  $h(T(P, n))$  is a mapping from  $\text{powerset}(\mathcal{G}_1)$  to  $\text{powerset}(\mathcal{G}_2)$ . Then,  $h(T(P, n)) \subset \mathcal{G}_2$ .

**Theorem 1** Let  $h$  be a homomorphism from  $\Gamma_1$  to  $\Gamma_2$ . For any logic program  $P$  on  $\Gamma_1$ ,

$$h(\mathcal{M}(P)) \subset \mathcal{M}(h(P))$$

**Example 9** As we have discussed in example 7 and 8:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(P_1) &= \{ \text{plus}(\text{suc}^m(0), \text{suc}^n(0), \text{suc}^{m+n}(0)) \\ &\quad | m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}, n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \}. \\ \mathcal{M}(h(P_1)) &= \{ \text{plus}(\text{even}, \text{even}, \text{even}), \text{plus}(\text{even}, \text{odd}, \text{odd}), \\ &\quad \text{plus}(\text{odd}, \text{even}, \text{odd}), \text{plus}(\text{odd}, \text{odd}, \text{even}) \} \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\mathcal{T}}(\text{suc}^n(0)) &= \text{even} \quad \dots \quad n \text{ is even.} \\ h_{\mathcal{T}}(\text{suc}^n(0)) &= \text{odd} \quad \dots \quad n \text{ is odd.} \\ h_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{plus}(t_1, t_2, t_3)) &= \text{plus}(h_{\mathcal{T}}(t_1), h_{\mathcal{T}}(t_2), h_{\mathcal{T}}(t_3)) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(m + n) \bmod 2 = ((m \bmod 2) + (n \bmod 2)) \bmod 2$ , it is obvious that  $h(\mathcal{M}(P_1)) = h_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{M}(P_1)) = \mathcal{M}(h(P_1))$ .

## 5 Concluding Remarks

We have introduced the concept of **homomorphism** between two specialization systems and proved the **homomorphism theorem**. This is a very general and elegant theory for discussing the relation between the declarative semantics of two generalized logic programs on (possibly different) specialization systems. In the examples here  $h(\mathcal{M}(P_1))$  is equal to  $\mathcal{M}(h(P_1))$ , but in general  $h(\mathcal{M}(P_1))$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{M}(h(P_1))$ . An example where  $h(\mathcal{M}(P_1))$  is not equal to  $\mathcal{M}(h(P_1))$  is given in [4]. An isomorphism theorem is discussed in [4]. All the proofs of propositions and theorems in this paper are also found there. This theory is useful for **hierarchical planning** and **abstract interpretation**. Application to planning has been discussed in [7].

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