

# Free Order Sorted Universal Algebra<sup>1</sup>

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**Summary.** Free Order Sorted Universal Algebra — the general construction for any locally directed signatures.

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The papers [21], [13], [27], [32], [33], [11], [22], [12], [7], [10], [4], [18], [2], [20], [26], [14], [5], [3], [6], [1], [8], [25], [23], [17], [24], [9], [15], [16], [29], [31], [28], [30], and [19] provide the terminology and notation for this paper.

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

In this paper  $S$  is an order sorted signature.

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $U_0$  be an order sorted algebra of  $S$ . A subset of  $U_0$  is called an order sorted generator set of  $U_0$  if:

(Def. 1) For every OSSubset  $O$  of  $U_0$  such that  $O = \text{OSCl}$  it holds the sorts of  $\text{OSGen } O =$  the sorts of  $U_0$ .

The following proposition is true

(1) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $U_0$  be a strict non-empty order sorted algebra of  $S$ , and  $A$  be a subset of  $U_0$ . Then  $A$  is an order sorted generator set of  $U_0$  if and only if for every OSSubset  $O$  of  $U_0$  such that  $O = \text{OSCl } A$  holds  $\text{OSGen } O = U_0$ .

Let us consider  $S$ , let  $U_0$  be a monotone order sorted algebra of  $S$ , and let  $I_1$  be an order sorted generator set of  $U_0$ . We say that  $I_1$  is osfree if and only if the condition (Def. 2) is satisfied.

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(Def. 2) Let  $U_1$  be a monotone non-empty order sorted algebra of  $S$  and  $f$  be a many sorted function from  $I_1$  into the sorts of  $U_1$ . Then there exists a many sorted function  $h$  from  $U_0$  into  $U_1$  such that  $h$  is a homomorphism of  $U_0$  into  $U_1$  and order-sorted and  $h \upharpoonright I_1 = f$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $I_1$  be a monotone order sorted algebra of  $S$ . We say that  $I_1$  is osfree if and only if:

(Def. 3) There exists an order sorted generator set of  $I_1$  which is osfree.

## 2. CONSTRUCTION OF FREE ORDER SORTED ALGEBRAS FOR GIVEN SIGNATURE

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{OSREL } X$  yields a relation between  $\{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \} \cup \bigcup \text{coprod}(X)$  and  $(\{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \} \cup \bigcup \text{coprod}(X))^*$  and is defined by the condition (Def. 4).

(Def. 4) Let  $a$  be an element of  $\{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \} \cup \bigcup \text{coprod}(X)$  and  $b$  be an element of  $(\{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \} \cup \bigcup \text{coprod}(X))^*$ . Then  $\langle a, b \rangle \in \text{OSREL } X$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $a \in \{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \}$ , and
- (ii) for every operation symbol  $o$  of  $S$  such that  $\langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle = a$  holds  $\text{len } b = \text{len Arity}(o)$  and for every set  $x$  such that  $x \in \text{dom } b$  holds if  $b(x) \in \{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \}$ , then for every operation symbol  $o_1$  of  $S$  such that  $\langle o_1, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle = b(x)$  holds the result sort of  $o_1 \leq \text{Arity}(o)_x$  and if  $b(x) \in \bigcup \text{coprod}(X)$ , then there exists an element  $i$  of the carrier of  $S$  such that  $i \leq \text{Arity}(o)_x$  and  $b(x) \in \text{coprod}(i, X)$ .

In the sequel  $S$  is an order sorted signature,  $X$  is a many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  is an operation symbol of  $S$ , and  $b$  is an element of  $(\{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \} \cup \bigcup \text{coprod}(X))^*$ .

One can prove the following proposition

(2)  $\langle \langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle, b \rangle \in \text{OSREL } X$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $\text{len } b = \text{len Arity}(o)$ , and
- (ii) for every set  $x$  such that  $x \in \text{dom } b$  holds if  $b(x) \in \{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \}$ , then for every operation symbol  $o_1$  of  $S$  such that  $\langle o_1, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle = b(x)$  holds the result sort of  $o_1 \leq \text{Arity}(o)_x$  and if  $b(x) \in \bigcup \text{coprod}(X)$ , then there exists an element  $i$  of the carrier of  $S$  such that  $i \leq \text{Arity}(o)_x$  and  $b(x) \in \text{coprod}(i, X)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  yielding a tree construction structure is defined by:

(Def. 5)  $\text{DTConOSA } X = \langle \{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \} \cup \bigcup \text{coprod}(X), \text{OSREL } X \rangle$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Note that  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  is strict and non empty.

The following proposition is true

(3) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then the nonterminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X = \{ \text{the operation symbols of } S, \{ \text{the carrier of } S \} \}$  and the terminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X = \bigcup \text{coprod}(X)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Note that  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  has terminals, nonterminals, and useful nonterminals.

The following proposition is true

(4) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $t$  be a set. Then  $t \in$  the terminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  if and only if there exists an element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  and there exists a set  $x$  such that  $x \in X(s)$  and  $t = \langle x, s \rangle$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ . The functor  $\text{OSSym}(o, X)$  yielding a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 6)  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) = \langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . The functor  $\text{ParsedTerms}(X, s)$  yielding a subset of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  is defined by the condition (Def. 7).

(Def. 7)  $\text{ParsedTerms}(X, s) = \{ a; a \text{ ranges over elements of } \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X) : \bigvee_{s_1 : \text{element of the carrier of } S} \bigvee_{x : \text{set}} (s_1 \leq s \wedge x \in X(s_1) \wedge a = \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle) \vee \bigvee_{o : \text{operation symbol of } S} (\langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle = a(\emptyset) \wedge \text{the result sort of } o \leq s) \}$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . Note that  $\text{ParsedTerms}(X, s)$  is non empty.

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{ParsedTerms } X$  yields an order sorted set of  $S$  and is defined by:

(Def. 8) For every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $(\text{ParsedTerms } X)(s) = \text{ParsedTerms}(X, s)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . One can verify that  $\text{ParsedTerms } X$  is non-empty.

The following four propositions are true:

- (5) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ , and  $x$  be a set. Suppose  $x \in ((\text{ParsedTerms } X)^\# \cdot \text{the arity of } S)(o)$ . Then  $x$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ .
- (6) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ , and  $p$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $p \in ((\text{ParsedTerms } X)^\# \cdot \text{the arity of } S)(o)$  if and only if  $\text{dom } p = \text{dom Arity}(o)$  and for every natural number  $n$  such that  $n \in \text{dom } p$  holds  $p(n) \in \text{ParsedTerms}(X, \text{Arity}(o)_n)$ .
- (7) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ , and  $p$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $p$  if and only if  $p \in ((\text{ParsedTerms } X)^\# \cdot \text{the arity of } S)(o)$ .
- (8) For every order sorted signature  $S$  and for every non-empty many sorted set  $X$  indexed by  $S$  holds  $\bigcup \text{rng ParsedTerms } X = \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTDenOp}(o, X)$  yields a function from  $((\text{ParsedTerms } X)^\# \cdot \text{the arity of } S)(o)$  into  $(\text{ParsedTerms } X \cdot \text{the result sort of } S)(o)$  and is defined as follows:

- (Def. 9) For every finite sequence  $p$  of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  such that  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $p$  holds  $(\text{PTDenOp}(o, X))(p) = \text{OSSym}(o, X)\text{-tree}(p)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTOper } X$  yields a many sorted function from  $(\text{ParsedTerms } X)^\# \cdot \text{the arity of } S$  into  $\text{ParsedTerms } X \cdot \text{the result sort of } S$  and is defined by:

- (Def. 10) For every operation symbol  $o$  of  $S$  holds  $(\text{PTOper } X)(o) = \text{PTDenOp}(o, X)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  yielding an order sorted algebra of  $S$  is defined as follows:

- (Def. 11)  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X = \langle \text{ParsedTerms } X, \text{PTOper } X \rangle$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . One can check that  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  is strict and non-empty.

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ . Then  $\text{OSSym}(o, X)$  is a nonterminal of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ .

Next we state several propositions:

- (9) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . Then (the sorts of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ )( $s$ ) =  $\{a; a \text{ ranges over elements of } \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X): \bigvee_{s_1: \text{element of the carrier of } S} \bigvee_{x: \text{set}} (s_1 \leq s \wedge x \in X(s_1) \wedge a = \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle) \vee \bigvee_{o: \text{operation symbol of } S} (\langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle = a(\emptyset) \wedge \text{the result sort of } o \leq s)\}$ .
- (10) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $s, s_1$  be elements of the carrier of  $S$ , and  $x$  be a set. Suppose  $x \in X(s)$ . Then
- (i) the root tree of  $\langle x, s \rangle$  is an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ ,
  - (ii) for every set  $z$  holds  $\langle z, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle \neq (\text{the root tree of } \langle x, s \rangle)(\emptyset)$ , and
  - (iii) the root tree of  $\langle x, s \rangle \in (\text{the sorts of } \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$  iff  $s \leq s_1$ .
- (11) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ . Suppose  $t(\emptyset) = \langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle$ . Then
- (i) there exists a subtree sequence  $p$  joinable by  $\text{OSSym}(o, X)$  such that  $t = \text{OSSym}(o, X)\text{-tree}(p)$  and  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $p$  and  $p \in \text{Args}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$  and  $t = (\text{Den}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X))(p)$ ,
  - (ii) for every element  $s_2$  of the carrier of  $S$  and for every set  $x$  holds  $t \neq$  the root tree of  $\langle x, s_2 \rangle$ , and
  - (iii) for every element  $s_1$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $t \in (\text{the sorts of } \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$  iff the result sort of  $o \leq s_1$ .
- (12) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $n_1$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ , and  $t_1$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Suppose  $n_1 \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $t_1$ . Then
- (i)  $n_1 \in$  the nonterminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ ,
  - (ii)  $n_1\text{-tree}(t_1) \in \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and
  - (iii) there exists an operation symbol  $o$  of  $S$  such that  $n_1 = \langle o, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle$  and  $t_1 \in \text{Args}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$  and  $n_1\text{-tree}(t_1) = (\text{Den}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X))(t_1)$  and for every element  $s_1$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $n_1\text{-tree}(t_1) \in (\text{the sorts of } \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$  iff the result sort of  $o \leq s_1$ .
- (13) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ , and  $x$  be a finite sequence. Then  $x \in \text{Args}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- (i)  $x$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and
  - (ii)  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $x$ .
- (14) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set

indexed by  $S$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then there exists a sort symbol  $s$  of  $S$  such that  $t \in (\text{the sorts of ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s)$  and for every element  $s_1$  of the carrier of  $S$  such that  $t \in (\text{the sorts of ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$  holds  $s \leq s_1$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . The functor  $\text{LeastSort } t$  yields a sort symbol of  $S$  and is defined by the conditions (Def. 12).

- (Def. 12)(i)  $t \in (\text{the sorts of ParsedTermsOSA } X)(\text{LeastSort } t)$ , and  
(ii) for every element  $s_1$  of the carrier of  $S$  such that  $t \in (\text{the sorts of ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$  holds  $\text{LeastSort } t \leq s_1$ .

Let  $S$  be a non empty non void many sorted signature and let  $A$  be a non-empty algebra over  $S$ .

- (Def. 13) An element of  $\bigcup (\text{the sorts of } A)$  is said to be an element of  $A$ .

We now state four propositions:

- (15) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $x$  be a set. Then  $x$  is an element of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  if and only if  $x$  is an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ .
- (16) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ , and  $x$  be a set. If  $x \in (\text{the sorts of ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s)$ , then  $x$  is an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ .
- (17) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ , and  $x$  be a set. Suppose  $x \in X(s)$ . Let  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . If  $t = \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s \rangle$ , then  $\text{LeastSort } t = s$ .
- (18) Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ ,  $x$  be an element of  $\text{Args}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . If  $t = (\text{Den}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X))(x)$ , then  $\text{LeastSort } t = \text{the result sort of } o$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $o_2$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ . Note that  $\text{Args}(o_2, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$  is non empty.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $x$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . The functor  $\text{LeastSorts } x$  yielding an element of  $(\text{the carrier of } S)^*$  is defined as follows:

- (Def. 14)  $\text{dom LeastSorts } x = \text{dom } x$  and for every natural number  $y$  such that  $y \in \text{dom } x$  there exists an element  $t$  of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  such that  $t = x(y)$  and  $(\text{LeastSorts } x)(y) = \text{LeastSort } t$ .

We now state the proposition

- (19) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ , and  $x$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $\text{LeastSorts } x \leq \text{Arity}(o)$  if and only if  $x \in \text{Args}(o, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$ .

Let us note that there exists a monotone order sorted signature which is locally directed and regular.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , let  $o$  be an operation symbol of  $S$ , and let  $x$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Let us assume that  $\text{OSSym}(\text{LBound}(o, \text{LeastSorts } x), X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $x$ . The functor  $\pi_x o$  yields an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and is defined by:

- (Def. 15)  $\pi_x o = \text{OSSym}(\text{LBound}(o, \text{LeastSorts } x), X)\text{-tree}(x)$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $t$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ . Let us assume that there exists a finite sequence  $p$  such that  $t \Rightarrow p$ . The functor  ${}^{\textcircled{a}}(X, t)$  yields an operation symbol of  $S$  and is defined by:

- (Def. 16)  $\langle {}^{\textcircled{a}}(X, t), \text{the carrier of } S \rangle = t$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $t$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ . Let us assume that  $t \in$  the terminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ . The functor  $\prod t$  yielding an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  is defined by:

- (Def. 17)  $\prod t =$  the root tree of  $t$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{LCongruence } X$  yielding a monotone order sorted congruence of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  is defined by:

- (Def. 18) For every monotone order sorted congruence  $R$  of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  holds  $\text{LCongruence } X \subseteq R$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{FreeOSA } X$  yielding a strict non-empty monotone order sorted algebra of  $S$  is defined by:

- (Def. 19)  $\text{FreeOSA } X = \text{QuotOSA}(\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X, \text{LCongruence } X)$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $t$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ . The functor  ${}^{\textcircled{a}}t$  yields a subset of  $\{ \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X), \text{the carrier of } S \}$  and is defined by the condition (Def. 20).

- (Def. 20)  ${}^{\textcircled{a}}t = \{ \langle \text{the root tree of } t, s_1 \rangle; s_1 \text{ ranges over elements of the carrier of } S: \bigvee_{s: \text{element of the carrier of } S} \bigvee_{x: \text{set}} (x \in X(s) \wedge t = \langle x, s \rangle \wedge s \leq s_1) \}$ .

Let  $S$  be an order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , let  $n_1$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ , and let  $x$  be a finite sequence

of elements of  $2^{\{\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X), \text{the carrier of } S\}}$ . The functor  ${}^{\textcircled{a}}(n_1, x)$  yielding a subset of  $\{\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X), \text{the carrier of } S\}$  is defined by the condition (Def. 21).

- (Def. 21)  ${}^{\textcircled{a}}(n_1, x) = \{ \langle (\text{Den}(o_2, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X))(x_2), s_3 \rangle; o_2 \text{ ranges over operation symbols of } S, x_2 \text{ ranges over elements of } \text{Args}(o_2, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X), s_3 \text{ ranges over elements of the carrier of } S: \bigvee_{o_1: \text{operation symbol of } S} (n_1 = \langle o_1, \text{the carrier of } S \rangle \wedge o_1 \cong o_2 \wedge \text{len Arity}(o_1) = \text{len Arity}(o_2) \wedge \text{the result sort of } o_1 \leq s_3 \wedge \text{the result sort of } o_2 \leq s_3) \wedge \bigvee_{w_3: \text{element of (the carrier of } S)^*} (\text{dom } w_3 = \text{dom } x \wedge \bigwedge_{y: \text{natural number}} (y \in \text{dom } x \Rightarrow \langle x_2(y), (w_3)_y \rangle \in x(y))) \}$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTClasses } X$  yielding a function from  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  into  $2^{\{\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X), \text{the carrier of } S\}}$  is defined by the conditions (Def. 22).

- (Def. 22)(i) For every symbol  $t$  of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  such that  $t \in$  the terminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  holds  $(\text{PTClasses } X)(\text{the root tree of } t) = {}^{\textcircled{a}}t$ , and  
(ii) for every symbol  $n_1$  of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  and for every finite sequence  $t_1$  of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and for every finite sequence  $r_1$  such that  $r_1 =$  the roots of  $t_1$  and  $n_1 \Rightarrow r_1$  and for every finite sequence  $x$  of elements of  $2^{\{\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X), \text{the carrier of } S\}}$  such that  $x = \text{PTClasses } X \cdot t_1$  holds  $(\text{PTClasses } X)(n_1\text{-tree}(t_1)) = {}^{\textcircled{a}}(n_1, x)$ .

One can prove the following four propositions:

- (20) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  
(i) for every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $t \in$  (the sorts of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s)$  iff  $\langle t, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(t)$ , and  
(ii) for every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  and for every element  $y$  of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  such that  $\langle y, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(t)$  holds  $\langle t, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(y)$ .
- (21) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . If there exists an element  $y$  of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  such that  $\langle y, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(t)$ , then  $\langle t, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(t)$ .
- (22) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $x, y$  be elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and  $s_1, s_2$  be elements of the carrier of  $S$ . Suppose  $s_1 \leq s_2$  and  $x \in$  (the sorts of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$  and  $y \in$  (the sorts of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s_1)$ . Then  $\langle y, s_1 \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(x)$  if and only if  $\langle y, s_2 \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(x)$ .

- (23) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $x, y, z$  be elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . If  $\langle y, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(x)$  and  $\langle z, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(y)$ , then  $\langle x, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(z)$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTCongruence } X$  yielding an equivalence order sorted relation of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  is defined by the condition (Def. 23).

- (Def. 23) Let  $i$  be a set. Suppose  $i \in$  the carrier of  $S$ . Then  $(\text{PTCongruence } X)(i) = \{\langle x, y \rangle; x \text{ ranges over elements of } \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X), y \text{ ranges over elements of } \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X): \langle x, i \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(y)\}$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (24) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $x, y, s$  be sets. If  $\langle x, s \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(y)$ , then  $x \in \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and  $y \in \text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and  $s \in$  the carrier of  $S$ .
- (25) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $C$  be a component of  $S$ , and  $x, y$  be sets. Then  $\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{CompClass}(\text{PTCongruence } X, C)$  if and only if there exists an element  $s_1$  of the carrier of  $S$  such that  $s_1 \in C$  and  $\langle x, s_1 \rangle \in (\text{PTClasses } X)(y)$ .
- (26) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ , and  $x$  be an element of  $(\text{the sorts of } \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)(s)$ . Then  $\text{OSClass}(\text{PTCongruence } X, x) = \pi_1((\text{PTClasses } X)(x))$ .
- (27) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $R$  be a many sorted relation indexed by  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ . Then  $R = \text{PTCongruence } X$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- (i) for all elements  $s_1, s_2$  of the carrier of  $S$  and for every set  $x$  such that  $x \in X(s_1)$  holds if  $s_1 \leq s_2$ , then  $\langle \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle, \text{ the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle \rangle \in R(s_2)$  and for every set  $y$  such that  $\langle \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle, y \rangle \in R(s_2)$  or  $\langle y, \text{ the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle \rangle \in R(s_2)$  holds  $s_1 \leq s_2$  and  $y = \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s_1 \rangle$ , and
  - (ii) for all operation symbols  $o_1, o_2$  of  $S$  and for every element  $x_1$  of  $\text{Args}(o_1, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$  and for every element  $x_2$  of  $\text{Args}(o_2, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X)$  and for every element  $s_3$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $\langle (\text{Den}(o_1, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X))(x_1), (\text{Den}(o_2, \text{ParsedTermsOSA } X))(x_2) \rangle \in R(s_3)$  iff  $o_1 \cong o_2$  and  $\text{len Arity}(o_1) = \text{len Arity}(o_2)$  and the result sort of  $o_1 \leq s_3$  and the result sort of  $o_2 \leq s_3$  and there exists an element  $w_3$  of  $(\text{the carrier of } S)^*$  such that

$\text{dom } w_3 = \text{dom } x_1$  and for every natural number  $y$  such that  $y \in \text{dom } w_3$  holds  $\langle x_1(y), x_2(y) \rangle \in R((w_3)_y)$ .

- (28) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then  $\text{PTCongruence } X$  is monotone.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Observe that  $\text{PTCongruence } X$  is monotone.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTVars}(s, X)$  yields a subset of (the sorts of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ )( $s$ ) and is defined by:

- (Def. 24) For every set  $x$  holds  $x \in \text{PTVars}(s, X)$  iff there exists a set  $a$  such that  $a \in X(s)$  and  $x = \text{the root tree of } \langle a, s \rangle$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . One can check that  $\text{PTVars}(s, X)$  is non empty.

We now state the proposition

- (29) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . Then  $\text{PTVars}(s, X) = \{\text{the root tree of } t; t \text{ ranges over symbols of } \text{DTConOSA } X : t \in \text{the terminals of } \text{DTConOSA } X \wedge t_2 = s\}$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTVars } X$  yielding a subset of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  is defined by:

- (Def. 25) For every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $(\text{PTVars } X)(s) = \text{PTVars}(s, X)$ .

The following proposition is true

- (30) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then  $\text{PTVars } X$  is non-empty.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . The functor  $\text{OSFreeGen}(s, X)$  yields a subset of (the sorts of  $\text{FreeOSA } X$ )( $s$ ) and is defined by:

- (Def. 26) For every set  $x$  holds  $x \in \text{OSFreeGen}(s, X)$  iff there exists a set  $a$  such that  $a \in X(s)$  and  $x = (\text{OSNatHom}(\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X, \text{LCongruence } X))(s)(\text{the root tree of } \langle a, s \rangle)$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . Note that  $\text{OSFreeGen}(s, X)$  is non empty.

We now state the proposition

- (31) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . Then  $\text{OSFreeGen}(s, X) = \{(\text{OSNatHom}(\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X, \text{LCongruence } X)) (s) \mid (\text{the root tree of } t); t \text{ ranges over symbols of } \text{DTConOSA } X : t \in \text{the terminals of } \text{DTConOSA } X \wedge t_2 = s\}$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{OSFreeGen } X$  yielding an order sorted generator set of  $\text{FreeOSA } X$  is defined by:

- (Def. 27) For every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $(\text{OSFreeGen } X)(s) = \text{OSFreeGen}(s, X)$ .

The following proposition is true

- (32) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then  $\text{OSFreeGen } X$  is non-empty.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Observe that  $\text{OSFreeGen } X$  is non-empty.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , let  $R$  be an order sorted congruence of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ , and let  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . The functor  $\text{OSClass}(R, t)$  yielding an element of  $\text{OSClass}(R, \text{LeastSort } t)$  is defined by the condition (Def. 28).

- (Def. 28) Let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$  and  $x$  be an element of (the sorts of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ )( $s$ ). If  $t = x$ , then  $\text{OSClass}(R, t) = \text{OSClass}(R, x)$ .

We now state several propositions:

- (33) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $R$  be an order sorted congruence of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $t \in \text{OSClass}(R, t)$ .
- (34) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ ,  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and  $x, x_1$  be sets. Suppose  $x \in X(s)$  and  $t = \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s \rangle$ . Then  $x_1 \in \text{OSClass}(\text{PTCongruence } X, t)$  if and only if  $x_1 = t$ .
- (35) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $R$  be an order sorted congruence of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ , and  $t_2, t_3$  be elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $t_3 \in \text{OSClass}(R, t_2)$  if and only if  $\text{OSClass}(R, t_2) = \text{OSClass}(R, t_3)$ .
- (36) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $R_1, R_2$  be order sorted congruences of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . If  $R_1 \subseteq R_2$ , then  $\text{OSClass}(R_1, t) \subseteq \text{OSClass}(R_2, t)$ .

- (37) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ ,  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ , and  $x, x_1$  be sets. Suppose  $x \in X(s)$  and  $t = \text{the root tree of } \langle x, s \rangle$ . Then  $x_1 \in \text{OSClass}(\text{LCongruence } X, t)$  if and only if  $x_1 = t$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , let  $A$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by the carrier of  $S$ , let  $F$  be a many sorted function from  $\text{PTVars } X$  into  $A$ , and let  $t$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ . Let us assume that  $t \in \text{the terminals of DTConOSA } X$ . The functor  $\pi(F, A, t)$  yields an element of  $\bigcup A$  and is defined as follows:

- (Def. 29) For every function  $f$  such that  $f = F(t_2)$  holds  $\pi(F, A, t) = f(\text{the root tree of } t)$ .

Next we state the proposition

- (38) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $U_1$  be a monotone non-empty order sorted algebra of  $S$ , and  $f$  be a many sorted function from  $\text{PTVars } X$  into the sorts of  $U_1$ . Then there exists a many sorted function  $h$  from  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  into  $U_1$  such that  $h$  is a homomorphism of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$  into  $U_1$  and order-sorted and  $h \upharpoonright \text{PTVars } X = f$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature, let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and let  $s$  be an element of the carrier of  $S$ . The functor  $\text{NHReverse}(s, X)$  yields a function from  $\text{OSFreeGen}(s, X)$  into  $\text{PTVars}(s, X)$  and is defined by the condition (Def. 30).

- (Def. 30) Let  $t$  be a symbol of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$ .  
Suppose  $(\text{OSNatHom}(\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X, \text{LCongruence } X))(s)(\text{the root tree of } t) \in \text{OSFreeGen}(s, X)$ . Then  $(\text{NHReverse}(s, X))((\text{OSNatHom}(\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X, \text{LCongruence } X))(s)(\text{the root tree of } t)) = \text{the root tree of } t$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{NHReverse } X$  yielding a many sorted function from  $\text{OSFreeGen } X$  into  $\text{PTVars } X$  is defined as follows:

- (Def. 31) For every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  holds  $(\text{NHReverse } X)(s) = \text{NHReverse}(s, X)$ .

Next we state two propositions:

- (39) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then  $\text{OSFreeGen } X$  is *osfree*.
- (40) Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then  $\text{FreeOSA } X$  is *osfree*.

Let  $S$  be a locally directed order sorted signature. Note that there exists a non-empty monotone order sorted algebra of  $S$  which is osfree and strict.

### 3. MINIMAL TERMS

Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{PTMin } X$  yields a function from  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  into  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and is defined by the conditions (Def. 32).

- (Def. 32)(i) For every symbol  $t$  of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  such that  $t \in$  the terminals of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  holds  $(\text{PTMin } X)(\text{the root tree of } t) = \prod t$ , and
- (ii) for every symbol  $n_1$  of  $\text{DTConOSA } X$  and for every finite sequence  $t_1$  of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and for every finite sequence  $r_1$  such that  $r_1 =$  the roots of  $t_1$  and  $n_1 \Rightarrow r_1$  and for every finite sequence  $x$  of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  such that  $x = \text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1$  holds  $(\text{PTMin } X)(n_1\text{-tree}(t_1)) = \pi_x^{(@)}(X, n_1)$ .

Next we state several propositions:

- (41) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then
- (i)  $(\text{PTMin } X)(t) \in \text{OSClass}(\text{PTCongruence } X, t)$ ,
  - (ii)  $\text{LeastSort}(\text{PTMin } X)(t) \leq \text{LeastSort } t$ ,
  - (iii) for every element  $s$  of the carrier of  $S$  and for every set  $x$  such that  $x \in X(s)$  and  $t =$  the root tree of  $\langle x, s \rangle$  holds  $(\text{PTMin } X)(t) = t$ , and
  - (iv) for every operation symbol  $o$  of  $S$  and for every finite sequence  $t_1$  of elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  such that  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $t_1$  and  $t = \text{OSSym}(o, X)\text{-tree}(t_1)$  holds  $\text{LeastSorts } \text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1 \leq \text{Arity}(o)$  and  $\text{OSSym}(o, X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $\text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1$  and  $\text{OSSym}(\text{LBound}(o, \text{LeastSorts } \text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1), X) \Rightarrow$  the roots of  $\text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1$  and  $(\text{PTMin } X)(t) = \text{OSSym}(\text{LBound}(o, \text{LeastSorts } \text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1), X)\text{-tree}(\text{PTMin } X \cdot t_1)$ .
- (42) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $t, t_2$  be elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . If  $t_2 \in \text{OSClass}(\text{PTCongruence } X, t)$ , then  $(\text{PTMin } X)(t_2) = (\text{PTMin } X)(t)$ .
- (43) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $t_2, t_3$  be elements of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $t_3 \in \text{OSClass}(\text{PTCongruence } X, t_2)$  if and only if  $(\text{PTMin } X)(t_3) = (\text{PTMin } X)(t_2)$ .
- (44) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $t_2$  be

an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $(\text{PTMin } X)((\text{PTMin } X)(t_2)) = (\text{PTMin } X)(t_2)$ .

- (45) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ ,  $R$  be a monotone equivalence order sorted relation of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ , and  $t$  be an element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$ . Then  $\langle t, (\text{PTMin } X)(t) \rangle \in R(\text{LeastSort } t)$ .
- (46) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $R$  be a monotone equivalence order sorted relation of  $\text{ParsedTermsOSA } X$ . Then  $\text{PTCongruence } X \subseteq R$ .
- (47) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature and  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . Then  $\text{LCongruence } X = \text{PTCongruence } X$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . An element of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  is called a minimal term of  $S, X$  if:

(Def. 33)  $(\text{PTMin } X)(\text{it}) = \text{it}$ .

Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature and let  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ . The functor  $\text{MinTerms } X$  yields a subset of  $\text{TS}(\text{DTConOSA } X)$  and is defined by:

(Def. 34)  $\text{MinTerms } X = \text{rng } \text{PTMin } X$ .

The following proposition is true

- (48) Let  $S$  be a locally directed regular monotone order sorted signature,  $X$  be a non-empty many sorted set indexed by  $S$ , and  $x$  be a set. Then  $x$  is a minimal term of  $S, X$  if and only if  $x \in \text{MinTerms } X$ .

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