# M2 LMFI **Proofs and programs: advanced topics Linear Logic and Quantitative Semantics** Teachers: Claudia Faggian CNRS (IRIF) faggian@irif.fr https://www.irif.fr/~faggian/ Gabriele Vanoni

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### Organization

· Lectures:

Wednesday 14h00-16h00 Friday 14h00-16h00

Grading:

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>weekly homework projects

#### Plan

- A foundational study of functional programming languages,
- · building on:

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- proof theory (Types, Curry-Howard isomorphism) and
   the theory of lambda-calculus,
- · adopting the dynamic and quantitative view brought by Linear Logic.
  - ➤ Focus first part: a quantitative view in Operational Semantics
  - ➤ Focus second prat: a quantitative view in Denotational Semantics
  - ➤ Openings towards active research topics: Bayesian learning/
- · Courses from LMFI first term we build on:
  - ➤ Proof Theory (cut-elimination, lambda calculus, Curry-Howard iso)
- Connected to the MPRI course: Semantics of Programming Language (which builds on the models of Linear Logic)

New insights into **proof theory** and (via the Curry-Howard correspondence between proofs and programs ) into the semantics of programming language.

Linear Logic [Girard87] breakthroughs

• Proof Nets: advanced formal system



· Dynamic view, capturing the flow of computation:



▶Game Semantics ➤ Geometry of Interaction

- representation of proofs (λ-terms, functional programs) by graphs
- · tool for the analysis of cutelimination (= execution) as graph-rewriting process

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#### Linear Logic [Girard87] breakthroughs

New insights into **proof** especially suitable for

(Via the Curry-Howard co into the semantics of pro modelling probabilistic & quantum programming

• Proof Nets: advanced formal system

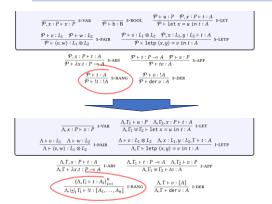


- representation of proofs ( $\lambda$ -terms, functional programs) by graphs
- tool for the analysis of cut-elimination (= execution) as graph-rewriting process
- Dynamic view, capturing the flow of computation:



- ➤ Game Semantics
- ➤ Geometry of Interaction
- Account for resources ➤ Quantitative Semantics
  - ➤ Quantitative Type Systems

#### Resource awareness (Quantitative Types)



#### Higher-Order Bayesian Networks

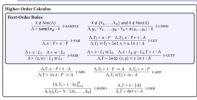
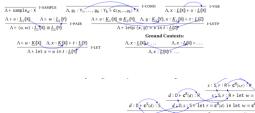




Fig. 12. First-order type system annotated with the cost of computing the factor.

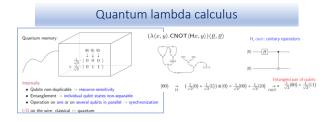
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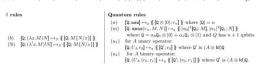
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# **LINEAR LOGIC** Proof-nets / $! \lambda$ -calculus CbN $\lambda$ -calculus CbV $\lambda$ -calculus

Plan / topics for Part 1

HANDS-ON

- Theoretical tools to study the operational properties of a system:
  - > Rewrite Theory (rewriting=abstract form of program execution)
- Linear Logic and Proof-Nets.
- Bridging between lambda-calculus and functional programming:
  - Call-by-Value and Call-by Name, weak and lazy calculi.
- · Beyond pure functional:
  - ➤ Probabilistic programming and Bayesian Inference: Probabilistic lambda calculi, Bayesian proof-nets

(Internships possible on operational aspects of probabilistic and quantum computation)

#### Resources

• Webpage https://www.irif.fr/~faggian/LMFI2025

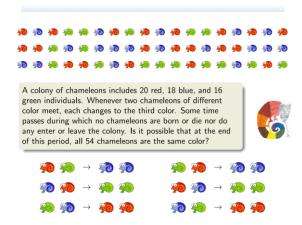
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• Lecture Notes (by A. Middeldorp, O. Laurent, L. Ong)

# **Operational semantics** of formal calculi and programming languages

# Rewriting theory

- · Rewriting = abstract form of program execution
- Paradigmatic example: λ-calculus (functional programming language, in its essence)



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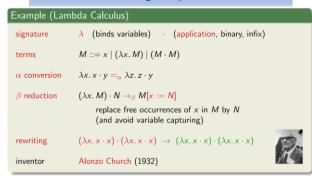
#### Math formalizations...

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 $^{\scriptsize{\textcircled{1}}}$  &  $^{\scriptsize{\textcircled{2}}}$   $\implies$   $\mathcal{E}$  has decidable validity problem

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### Modelling computation



both Combinatory Logic and Lambda Calculus are Turing-complete

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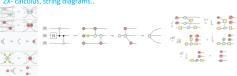
#### **Graph Rewriting**



Geometry of Interaction



ZX- calculus, string diagrams..



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#### Rewriting

- Rewrite Theory provides a powerful set of tools to study computational and operational properties of a system: normalization, termination, confluence, uniqueness of normal forms
- tools to study and compare strategies:
  - Is there a strategy guaranteed to lead to normal form, if any (normalizing strat.)?
- Abstract Rewrite Systems (ARS) capture the common substratum of rewrite theory (independently from the particular structure of terms) - can be uses in the study of any calculus or programming language.

#### Abstract Rewriting: motivations

concrete rewrite formalisms / concrete operational semantics:

- λ-calculus
- Quantum/probabilistic/non-deterministic/......  $\lambda$ -calculus
- Proof-nets / graph rewriting
- Sequent calculus and cut-elimination
- · string rewriting
- term rewriting

#### abstract rewriting

- independent from structure of objects that are rewritten
- uniform presentation of properties and proofs

#### Why a theory of rewriting matters?

• Rewriting = abstract form of program execution

Rewriting theory provides a sound framework for reasoning about

- programs transformations, such as compiler optimizations or parallel implementations,
- program equivalence.

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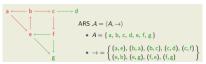
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# **Abstract Rewriting**

Basic language

ARS

**Definition 1.1.1.** An abstract rewrite system (ARS for short) is a pair  $A = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  consisting of a set A and a binary relation  $\rightarrow$  on A. Instead of  $(a,b) \in \rightarrow$  we write  $a \rightarrow b$  and we say that  $a \rightarrow b$  is a rewrite step.



• A (finite) rewrite sequence is a non-empty sequence  $(a_0,\dots a_n)$  of elements in A such that  $a_i\to a_{\{i+1\}}$ . We write  $a_0\to^n a_n$  or simply  $a_0\to^* a_n$ 

 $\begin{tabular}{lll} \bullet & \mbox{rewrite sequence} \\ \bullet & \mbox{finite} & a \rightarrow e \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow f \\ \bullet & \mbox{empty} & a \\ \bullet & \mbox{infinite} & a \rightarrow e \rightarrow b \rightarrow a \rightarrow e \rightarrow b \rightarrow \cdots \\ \end{tabular}$ 

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•  $\leftarrow$  inverse of  $\rightarrow$ •  $\rightarrow$ \* transitive and reflexive closure of  $\rightarrow$ 

inverse of  $\rightarrow^*$ 

 $s \leftrightarrow_{\mathcal{R}} t \text{ iff } s \to_{\mathcal{R}} t \text{ or } t \to_{\mathcal{R}} s$   $s \leftrightarrow_{\mathcal{R}}^* t \text{ iff } s = s_0 \leftrightarrow_{\mathcal{R}} s_1 \leftrightarrow_{\mathcal{R}} \dots \leftrightarrow_{\mathcal{R}} s_n = t \text{ for } n \ge 0$ 

 $\bullet \leftrightarrow$  symmetric closure of  $\to$   $\bullet \leftrightarrow^*$  conversion (equivalence relation generated by  $\to$ ) \*\*  $\bullet \to^+$  transitive closure of  $\to$   $\bullet \to^-$  reflexive closure of  $\to$ 

is relation composition:  $R \cdot S = \{(a, c) \mid a R b \text{ and } b S c\}$ 

 $\downarrow \, = \, \rightarrow^* \cdot \, ^* \leftarrow$ 

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#### Composition

- If  $\rightarrow_1, \rightarrow_2$  are binary relations on A then  $\rightarrow_1 \cdot \rightarrow_2$  denotes their composition, *i.e.*  $t \rightarrow_1 \cdot \rightarrow_2 s$  iff there exists  $u \in A$  such that  $t \rightarrow_1 u \rightarrow_2 s$ .
- $\begin{tabular}{ll} \blacksquare & \begin{tabular}{ll} We write $(A,\{\rightarrow_1,\rightarrow_2\})$ to denote the ARS $(A,\rightarrow)$ \\ & \begin{tabular}{ll} where $\rightarrow=\rightarrow_1\cup\rightarrow_2$. \\ \end{tabular}$

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#### Closure

The transitive-reflexive closure of a relation is a closure operator, i.e.

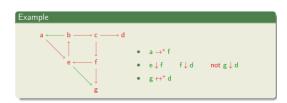
$$\rightarrow \subseteq \rightarrow^*$$
,  $(\rightarrow^*)^* = \rightarrow^*$ ,  $\rightarrow_1 \subseteq \rightarrow_2$  implies  $\rightarrow_1^* \subseteq \rightarrow_2^*$ 

As a consequence

$$(\to_1 \cup \to_2)^* = (\to_1^* \cup \to_2^*)^*$$
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#### Terminology

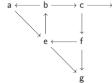
- if  $x \to^* y$  then x rewrites to y and y is reduct of x
- if  $x \to^* z *\leftarrow y$  then z is common reduct of x and y
- if  $x \leftrightarrow^* y$  then x and y are convertible



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#### Normal forms model results

**Definition 1.1.11.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  be an ARS. An element  $a \in A$  is *reducible* if there exists an element  $b \in A$  with  $a \rightarrow b$ . A *normal form* is an element that is not reducible. The set of normal forms of  $\mathcal{A}$  is denoted by  $\mathsf{NF}(\mathcal{A})$  or  $\mathsf{NF}(\rightarrow)$  when A can be inferred from the context. An element  $a \in A$  has a normal form if  $a \rightarrow^* b$  for some normal form b. In that case we write  $a \rightarrow^! b$ .



Element a has normal forms?
How many normal forms has this ARS?

ARS 
$$\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$$

- d is normal form
- NF(A) = { d, g }
- b → ! σ

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### Operational properties of interest

 Termination and Confluence

Existence and uniqueness of normal forms

· How to Compute

reduction strategies with good properties:

- standardization,
- normalization

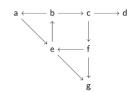
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- SN strong normalization termination
  - no infinite rewrite sequences
- WN (weak) normalization
  - every element has at least one normal form
  - $\forall a \exists b \ a \rightarrow b$
- UN unique normal forms
  - no element has more than one normal form
  - $\bullet \ \forall \, a,b,c \quad \text{if} \ a \to^! b \ \text{and} \ a \to^! c \ \text{then} \ b = c$

#### \*Termination\*

**Definition 1.2.1.** Let  $A = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  be an ARS. An element  $a \in A$  is called terminating or strongly normalizing (SN) if there are no infinite rewrite sequences starting at a. The ARS A is terminating or strongly normalizing if all its elements are terminating. An element  $a \in A$  has unique normal forms (UN) if it does not have different normal forms  $(\forall b, c \in A \text{ if } a \rightarrow^{\dagger} b \text{ and } a \rightarrow^{\dagger} c \text{ then } b = c)$ . The ARS A has unique normal forms if all its elements have unique normal forms.

An element a is weakly normalizing (WN) (or simply normalizing) if it has a normal form.



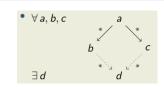
a is WN? SN? c is WN? SN? a or c has UN?

The nf are convertible?

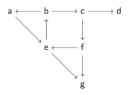
#### \*Confluence\*

**Definition 1.2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  be an ARS. An element  $a \in A$  is confluent if for all elements  $b, c \in A$  with  $b *\leftarrow a \rightarrow *c$  we have  $b \downarrow c$ . The ARS  $\mathcal{A}$  is confluent if all its elements are confluent.





Every confluent ARS has unique normal forms.



- a is confluent? f is confluent?
- 3. Can you add a single arrow so that the resulting ARS

Bonus Point

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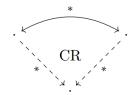
Given

$$\mathcal{R} = \begin{cases} f(x,x) & \to & 0 \\ a & \to & 0 \\ f(x,b) & \to & 0 \end{cases}$$

f(a,a) has normal form? Can you produce two different nf?

we can compute from the same term f(a, a) two different normal-forms c and ddifferent meaning for same term! (also: different meaning for equivalent terms)

Same meaning for \*equivalent\* terms



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#### Confluence & CR

**Definition 1.2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  be an ARS. An element  $a \in A$  is *confluent* if for all elements  $b, c \in A$  with b \* $\leftarrow$   $a \rightarrow$ \* c we have  $b \downarrow c$ . The ARS  $\mathcal{A}$  is confluent if all its elements are confluent.





An ARS  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  is confluent if and only if  $\leftrightarrow^* \subseteq \downarrow$ 

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Definition 1.2.10.} & \text{An ARS } \mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle \text{ has } \textit{unique normal forms with respect to} \\ \textit{conversion (UNC) if different normal forms are not convertible } (\forall \, a,b \in \mathsf{NF}(\mathcal{A}) \text{ if } a \leftrightarrow^* b \\ \end{array}$ then a = b).

in an ARS with the property UNC every equivalence class of convertible elements contains at most one normal form.

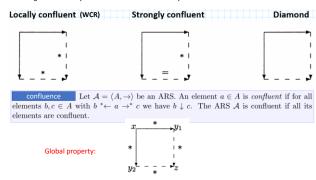
Q: are UN and UNC equivalent?

$$a \leftarrow b \longrightarrow c \leftarrow d \longrightarrow c$$

# Global vs Local

Confluence

A property of term t is local if it is quantified over only one-step reductions from t; it is global if it is quantified over all rewrite sequences from t.

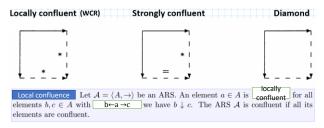


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#### Confluence

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An ARS  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  has the diamond property  $(\diamond)$  if  $\leftarrow \cdot \rightarrow \subseteq | \rightarrow \cdot \leftarrow \rangle$ 

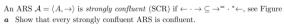
• diamond property  $\diamond$ •  $\leftarrow \cdot \cdot \rightarrow \subseteq \rightarrow \cdot \leftarrow$ •  $\forall a, b, c$  b c  $\exists d$ 

• every ARS with diamond property is confluent

Proof by tiling

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- b Does the converse also hold?
- c Show that an ARS  $A = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  is confluent if and only if  $\leftarrow^* \cdot \rightarrow \quad \subseteq \quad \rightarrow^* \cdot \leftarrow^*$



### Which is true?

- 1. SN => WN 2. WN => SN
- 2. WN => SN
- Confluence => UN
   UN => Confluence
- Confluence => Local confluence
   Local confluence => Confluence
- 7. WN & UN => Confluence
- 8. WN & Local Conf. => Confluence

SN & Local Conf. => Confluence

e a to to to

 $\bigcirc$  a  $\longrightarrow$  b

#### WN vs SN

 $\overset{\textstyle \frown}{} a \longrightarrow b$ (ii) WN  $\implies$  SN

$$\mathcal{R} = \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} f(a) & \to & c \\ f(x) & \to & f(a) \end{array} \right.$$

The system is weakly normalising but not strongly normalising:

Can you find an infinite reduction sequence from f(b)?

$$f(b) \to f(a) \to c$$

$$f(b) \to f(a) \to f(a) \dots$$

SN => WN WN => SN

Confluence => UN

 $\bigcirc$  a  $\longleftarrow$  b  $\longrightarrow$  c UN => Confluence

Confluence => Local confluence Local confluence => Confluence

WN & UN => Confluence

WN & Local Conf. => Confluence

SN & Local Conf. => Confluence

Newman's Lemma

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# Lemma WN & UN $\implies$ CR

# Proof $\implies$ $\exists n_1, n_2 \colon b_1 \rightarrow^! n_1 \text{ and } b_2 \rightarrow^! n_2$ UN



#### Newman Lemma

Newman's Lemma. Every terminating and locally confluent ARS is confluent.

By well-founded induction

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#### Memo: Well-founded Induction

#### given

- property P of ARSs with P(A)∀ a: P(a)
- strongly normalizing ARS  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$

to conclude

• P(A)

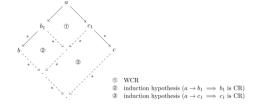
it is sufficient to prove

• if P(b) for every b with  $a \rightarrow b$  then P(a)induction hypothesis

for arbitrary element a

Newman's Lemma. Every terminating and locally confluent ARS is confluent.

Newman Lemma



#### Newman Lemma



Newman's Lemma. Every terminating and locally confluent ARS is confluent.

Let  $A = \langle A, \rightarrow \rangle$  terminating and locally confluent A second Proof. It suffices to show that every element has unique normal forms • suppose  $B = \{ a \in A \mid \neg UN(a) \} \neq \emptyset$ • let  $b \in B$  be minimal element (with respect to  $\rightarrow$ ) •  $b \rightarrow^! n_1$  and  $b \rightarrow^! n_2$  with  $n_1 \neq n_2$ 

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#### Recap Flash Ex



- > EX Say which properties hold

- Confluent
   Locally confluent
   Normalizing (weakly normalizing, WN)
   Terminating (strongly normalizing, SN)

### Recap basics

> Conclude by showing that it is impossible (absurd)

- An abstract rewriting system (ARS) is a pair  $(A, \rightarrow)$  consisting of a set A and a binary relation  $\rightarrow$  on A whose pairs are written  $t \rightarrow s$  and called steps.
- We denote  $\to^*$  (resp.  $\to^=$ ) the transitive-reflexive (resp. reflexive) closure of  $\to$ . We write  $t \leftarrow u$  if  $u \rightarrow t$ .
- If  $\rightarrow_1, \rightarrow_2$  are binary relations on  $\mathcal A$  then  $\rightarrow_1 \cdot \rightarrow_2$  denotes their composition, i.e.  $t \rightarrow_1 \cdot \rightarrow_2 s$ if there exists  $u \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $t \to_1 u \to_2 s$ .
- We write  $(\mathcal{A}, \{\rightarrow_1, \rightarrow_2\})$  to denote the *compound system*  $(\mathcal{A}, \rightarrow)$  where  $\rightarrow = \rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2$ .
- $\blacksquare$  A  $\rightarrow$ -sequence (or **reduction sequence**) from t is a (possibly infinite) sequence t,  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$ ,... such that  $t_i \rightarrow t_{i+1}$ .

 $t \mathop{\rightarrow}^* s$  indicates that there is a finite sequence from t to s.

A  $\rightarrow$ -sequence from t is <u>maximal</u> if it is <u>either infinite or ends in a  $\rightarrow$ -nf.</u>

#### The heart of confluence is a diamond

Prop. DIAMOND implies CONFLUENCE

Can rarely be used directly: Most relations of interest do not satisfy it

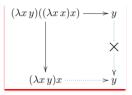
Lemma (Characterize Confluence).  $\rightarrow$  is confluent if and only if there exists a relation  $\Leftrightarrow$  such that

 $a. \Leftrightarrow^* = \to^*,$ 

 $b. \Leftrightarrow is \ diamond.$ 

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#### You have already seen an example: in the notes by Joly





**Definition** The development relation is the least reflexive relation  $\triangleright$  on  $\Lambda$  such that:

- $\begin{array}{l} \bullet \ t \rhd t' \implies \lambda x \, t \rhd \lambda x \, t' \\ \bullet \ t \rhd t', \ u \rhd u' \implies t u \rhd t u' \\ \bullet \ t \rhd t', \ u \rhd u' \implies (\lambda x \, t) u \rhd t'[x \!:=\! u']. \end{array}$

 $\mathbf{Lemma}\;\mathbf{1}\;\;\rightarrow\;\subseteq\;\triangleright\;\subseteq\;\cdot$ 

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**Lemma 3 (Characterize Confluence).**  $\rightarrow$  is confluent if and only if there exists a relation → such that

b.  $\Rightarrow$  is diamond.

 $\textbf{Definition} \quad \textit{The} \ \text{development relation} \ \textit{is the least reflexive relation} \ \vartriangleright \ \textit{on} \ \Lambda \ \textit{such that:}$ 

- $\begin{array}{l} \bullet \ t \rhd t' \implies \lambda x \, t \rhd \lambda x \, t' \\ \bullet \ t \rhd t', \ u \rhd u' \implies t u \rhd t u' \\ \bullet \ t \rhd t', \ u \rhd u' \implies (\lambda x \, t) u \rhd t'[x \!:=\! u']. \end{array}$
- $\mathbf{Lemma}\;\mathbf{1}\;\;\rightarrow\;\subseteq\;\triangleright\;\subseteq\;\cdot$

#### Closure

→<sub>R</sub> is the reliexive, transitive closure of →<sub>R</sub>
 (1) M→<sub>R</sub>N ⇒ M→<sub>R</sub>N,
 (2) M→<sub>R</sub>M,
 (3) M→<sub>R</sub>N, N→<sub>R</sub>L ⇒ M→<sub>R</sub>L.

The transitive-reflexive closure of a relation is a closure operator, *i.e.* satisfies

$$\rightarrow \subseteq \rightarrow^*$$
,  $(\rightarrow^*)^* = \rightarrow^*$ ,  $\rightarrow_1 \subseteq \rightarrow_2$  implies  $\rightarrow_1^* \subseteq \rightarrow_2^*$ 

As a consequence

$$(\to_1 \cup \to_2)^* = (\to_1^* \cup \to_2^*)^*$$

#### Commutation

**Commutation.** Two relations  $\rightarrow_1$  and  $\rightarrow_2$  on A commute if  $\leftarrow_1^* \cdot \rightarrow_2^* \subseteq \rightarrow_2^* \cdot \leftarrow_1^*$ .



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**Confluence.** A relation  $\rightarrow$  on A is confluent if it commutes with itself.

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### Proving confluence modularly

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If two relations  $\rightarrow_1$  and  $\rightarrow_2$  are **confluent** and **commute with each other**, then

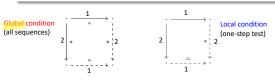
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#### An effective usable technique

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Lemma (Hindley's local test)

Strong commutation  $\leftarrow_1 \cdot \rightarrow_2 \subseteq \rightarrow_2^* \cdot \leftarrow_1^=$  implies commutation.

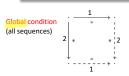
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2 Local condition (one-step test)

 $\leftarrow_1 \cdot \rightarrow_2 \subseteq \rightarrow_2^* \cdot \leftarrow_1^=$ 

 $({\bf Strong}\ {\bf Commutation})$ 

▶ Lemma (Local test). Strong commutation implies commutation.

Strategies