

# Abstract Rewriting

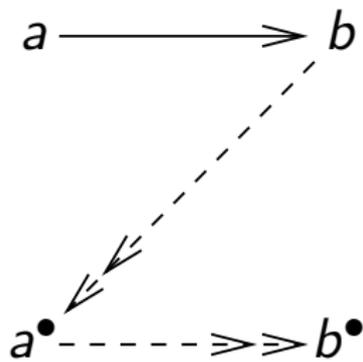
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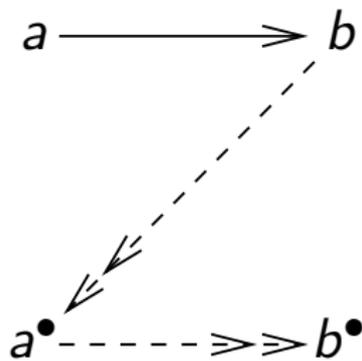
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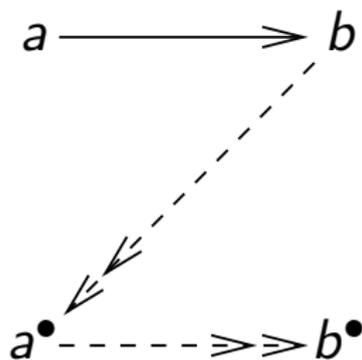


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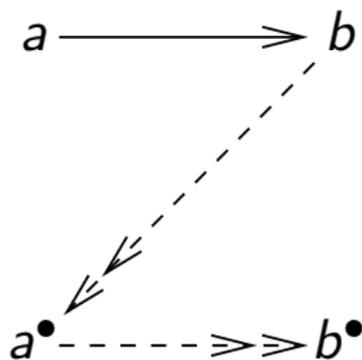
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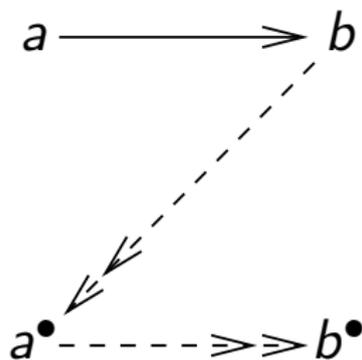
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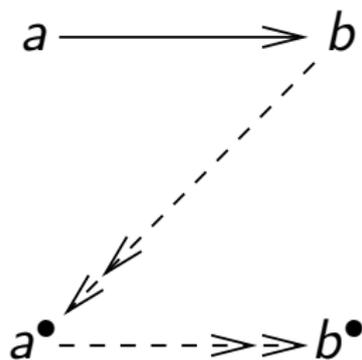
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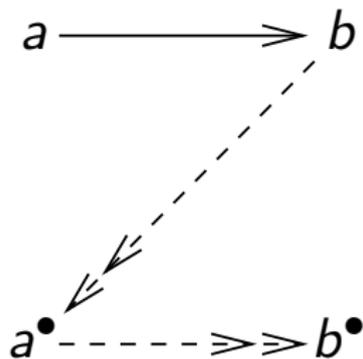
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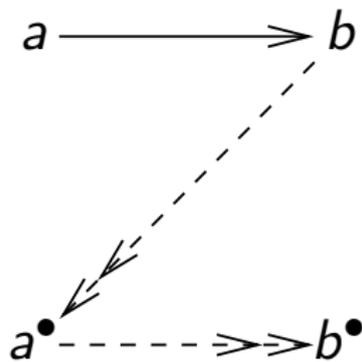
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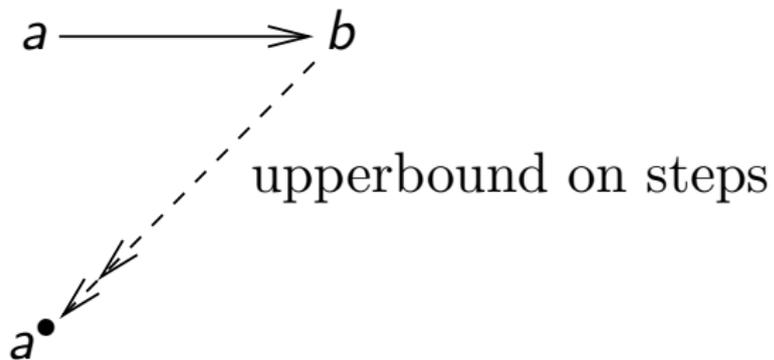


$$\exists^\bullet : A \rightarrow A, \forall a, b \in A : a \rightarrow b \Rightarrow b \Rightarrow a^\bullet, a^\bullet \Rightarrow b^\bullet$$

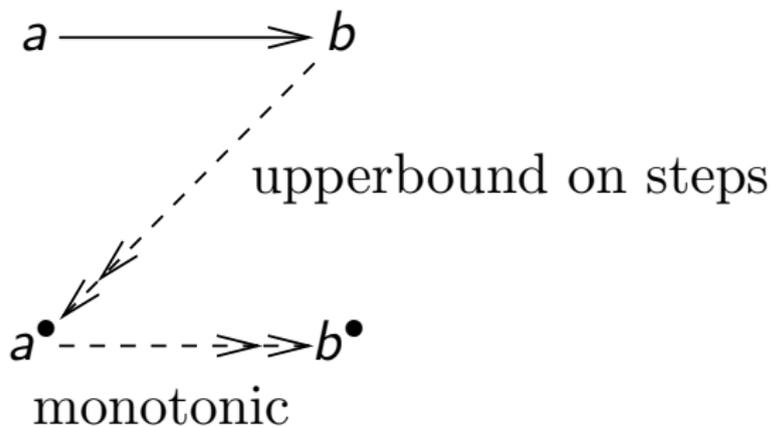
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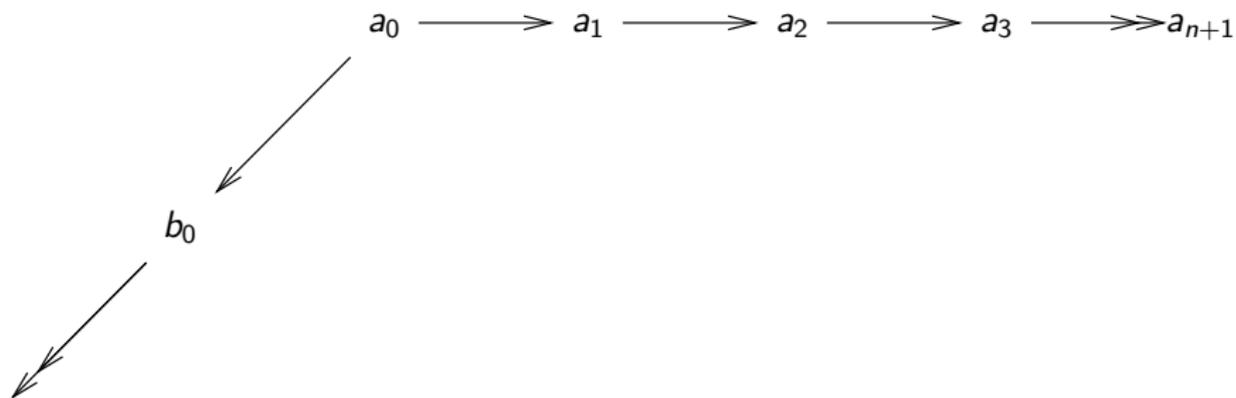
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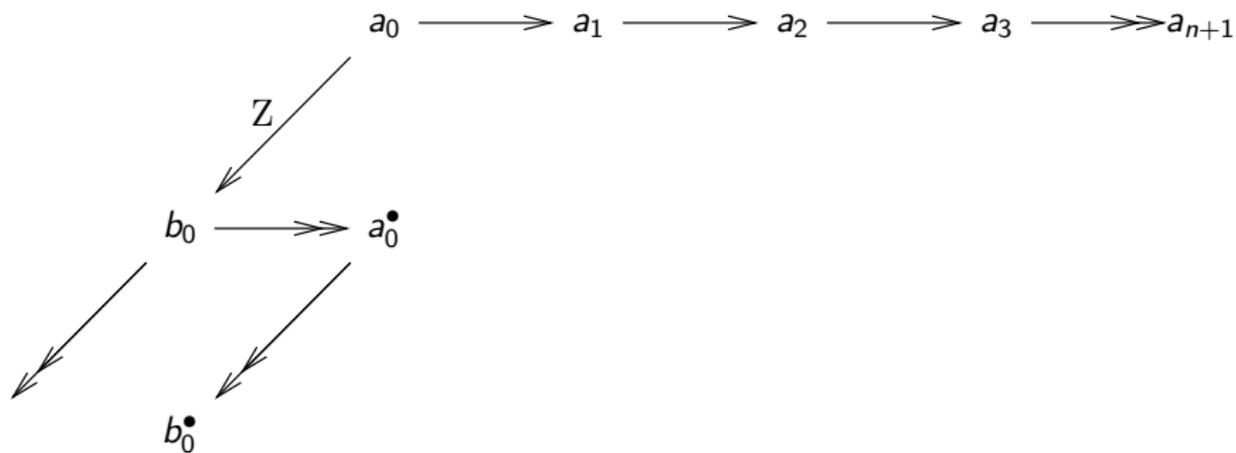


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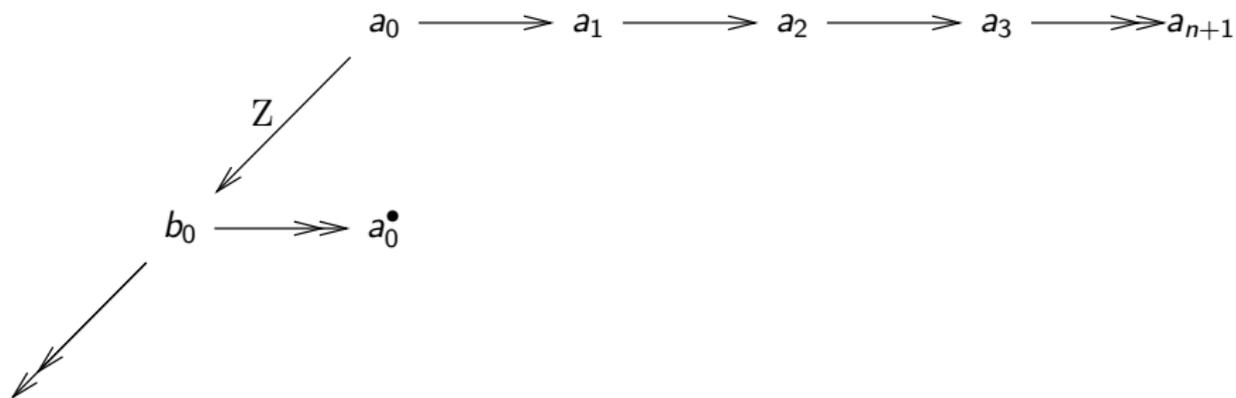


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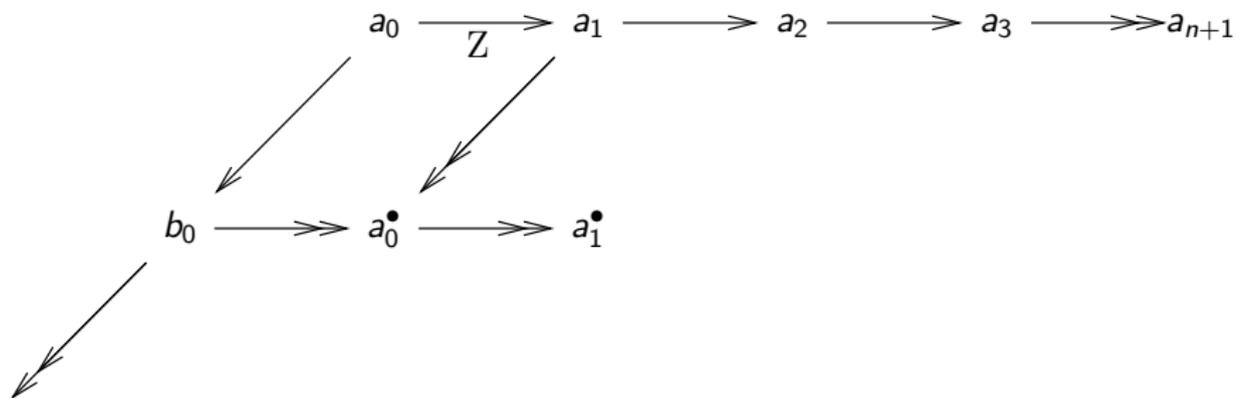


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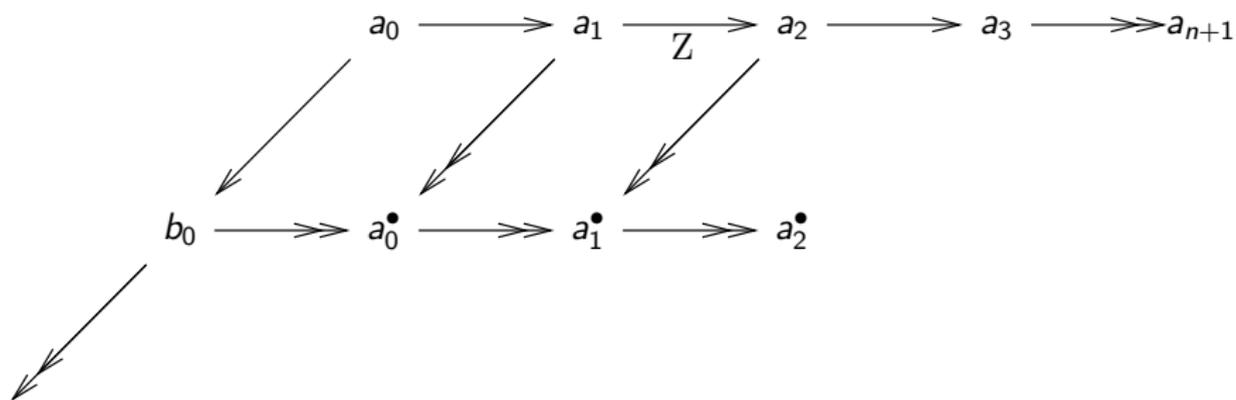


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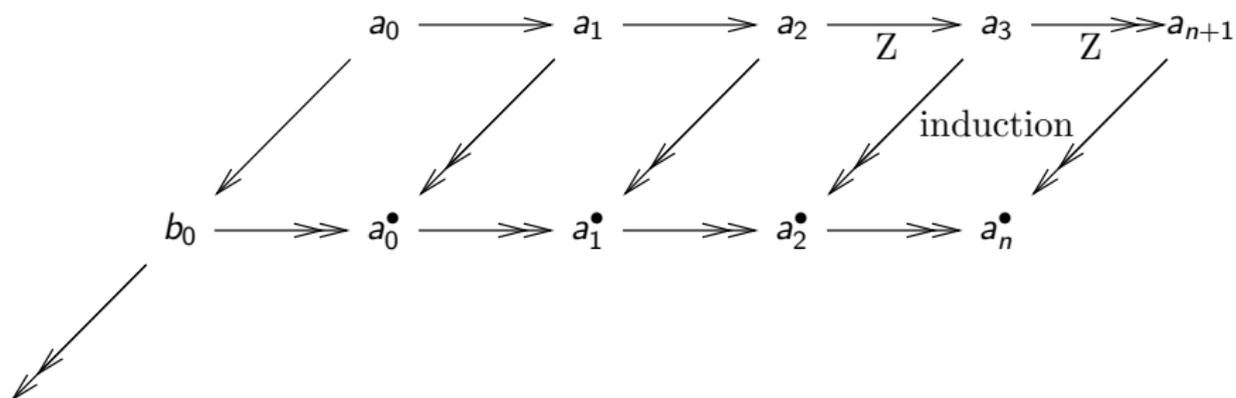


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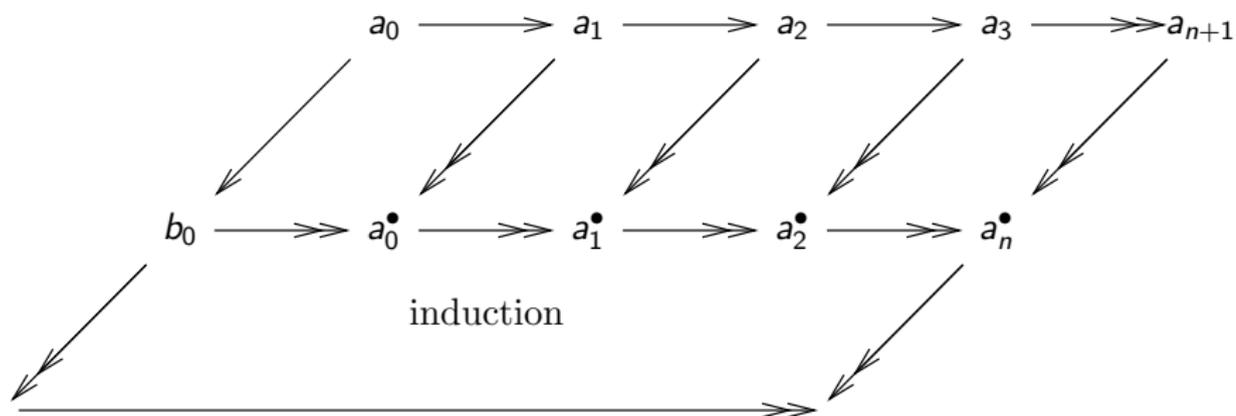


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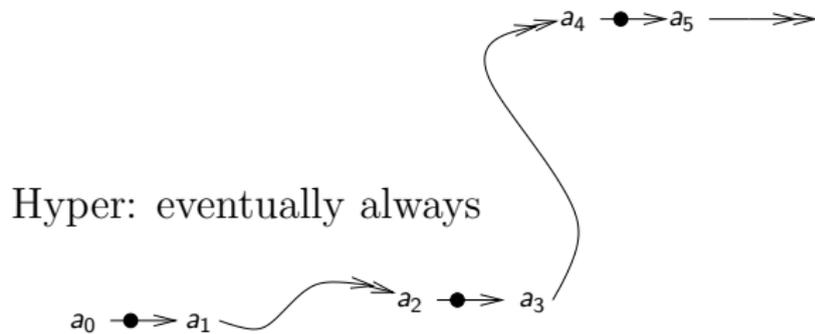


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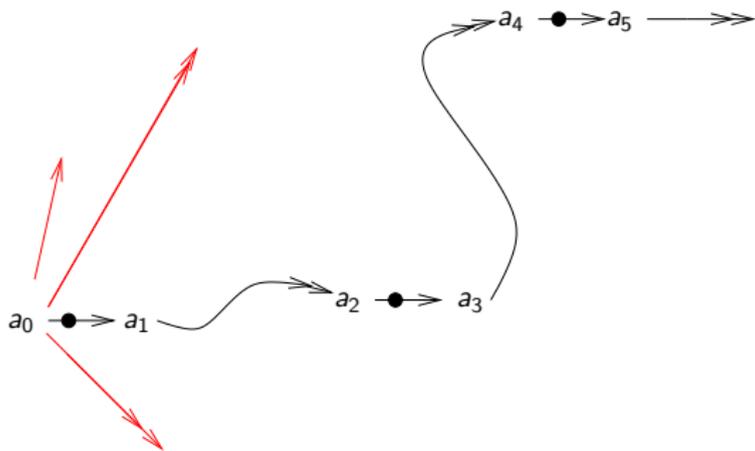
Definition ( $\bullet$ -strategy)

$a \dashv\bullet\rightarrow b$  if  $a$  is not a normal form and  $b = a^\bullet$

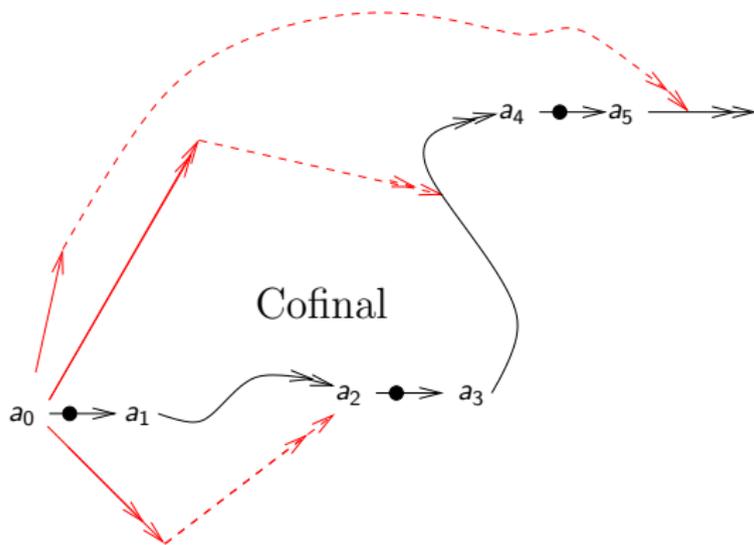
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- ▶ confluent
- ▶ (hyper-)normalising
- ▶ bullet-fast ...

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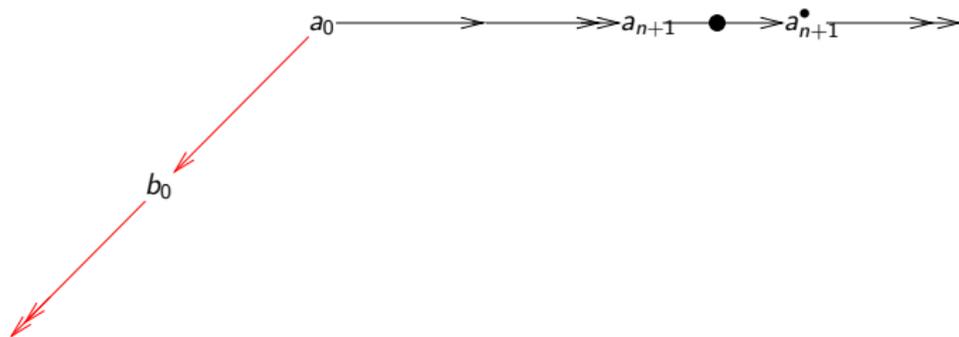


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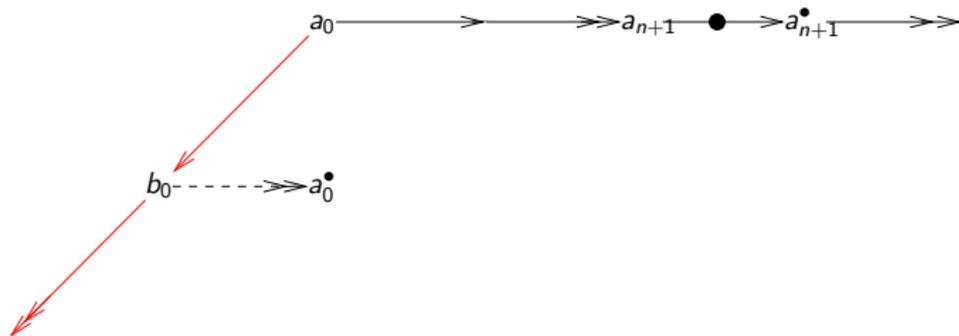


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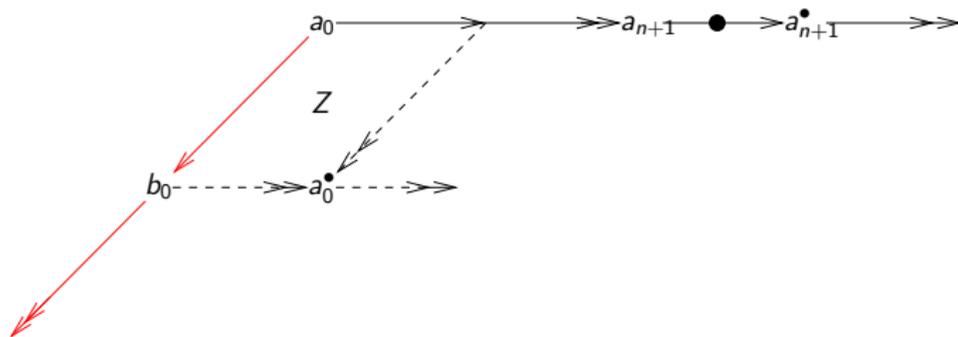


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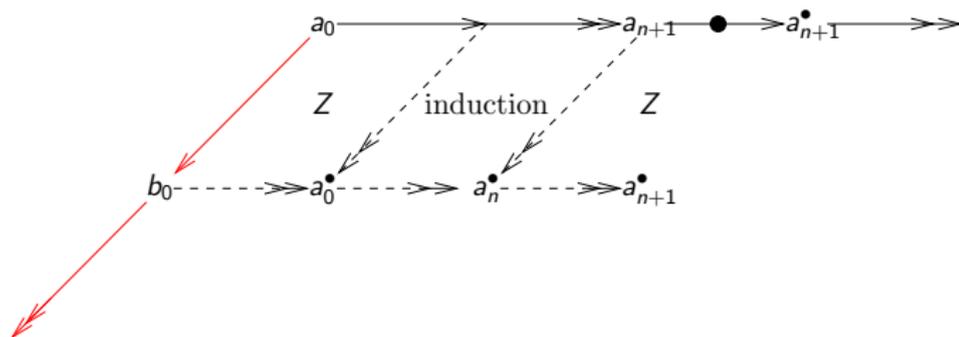


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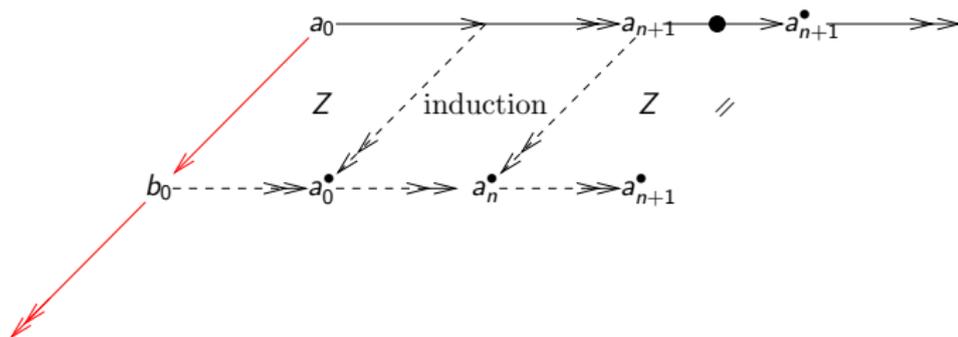


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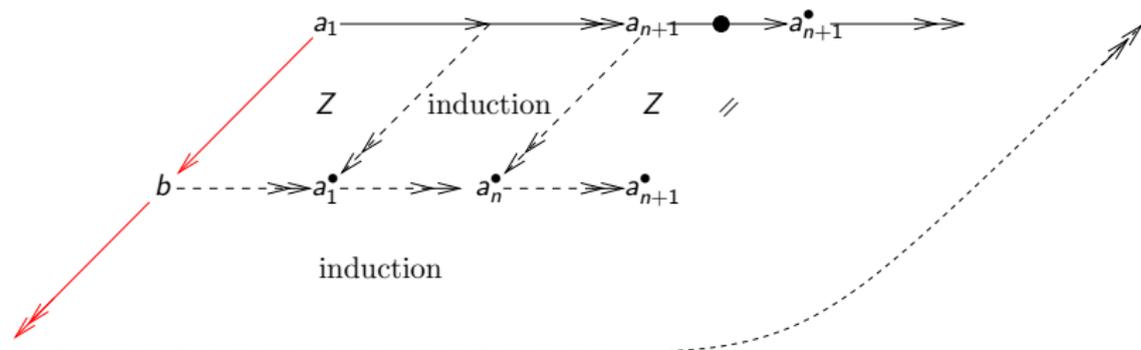


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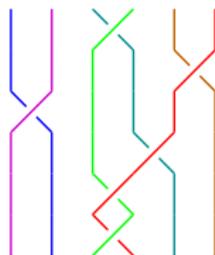
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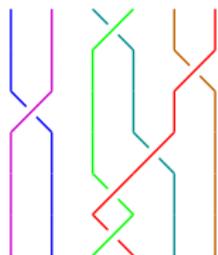


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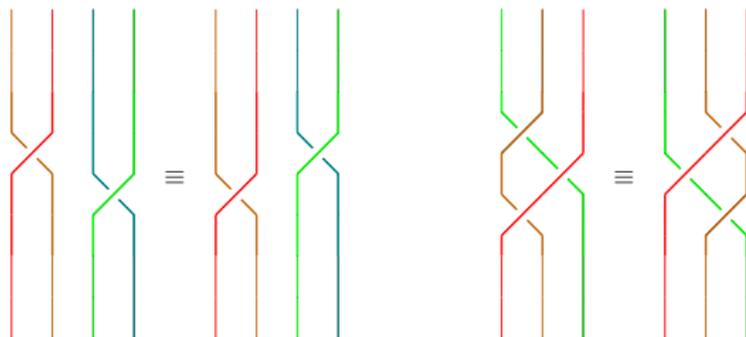
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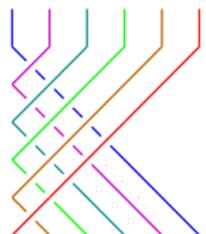
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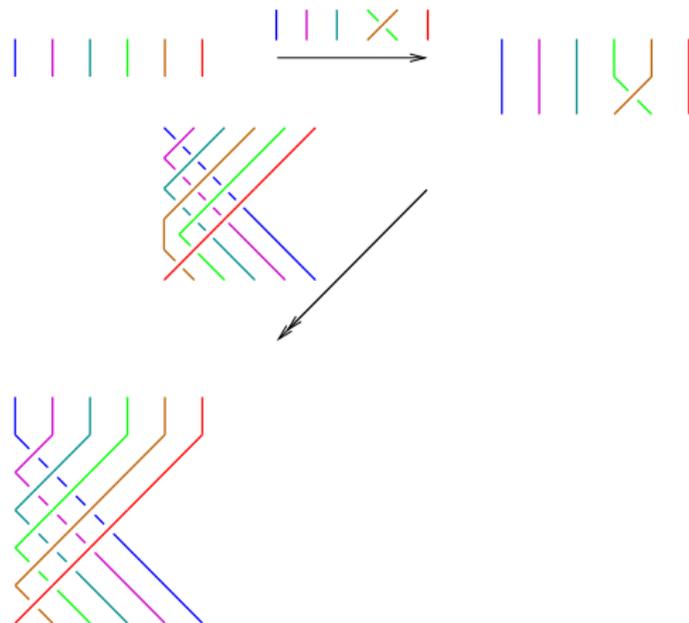


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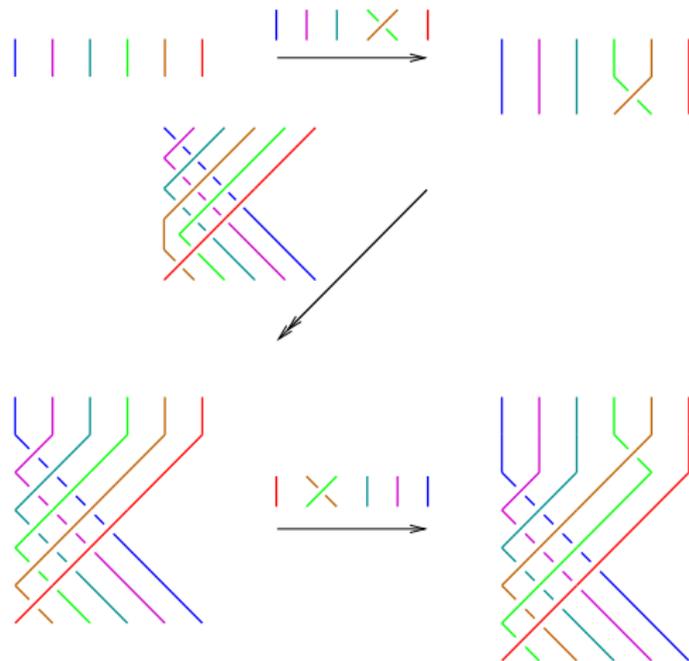


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In depth: Braids and Self-distributivity (Dehornoy 2000)

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- ▶  $\lambda$ -calculus with  $\beta$  and  $\eta : \lambda x.Mx \rightarrow M$ , if  $x \notin M$ ;
- ▶ predecessor/successor  $S(P(x)) \rightarrow x \quad P(S(x)) \rightarrow x$ ;
- ▶ parallel-or.

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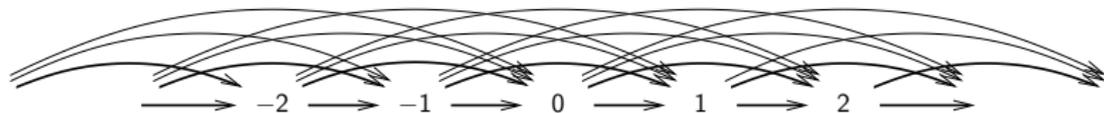
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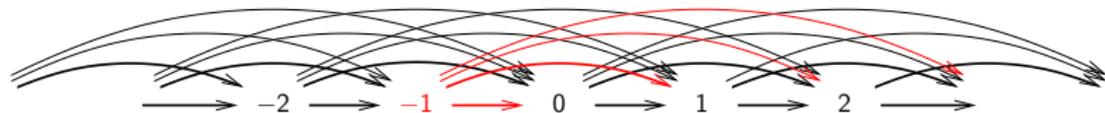
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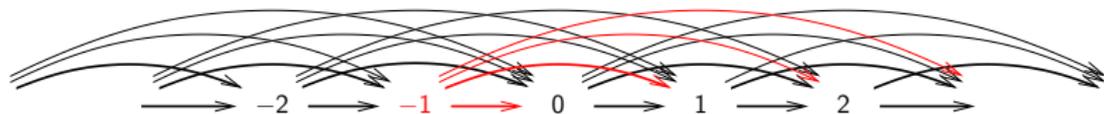
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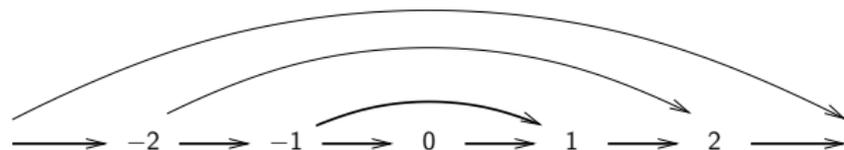
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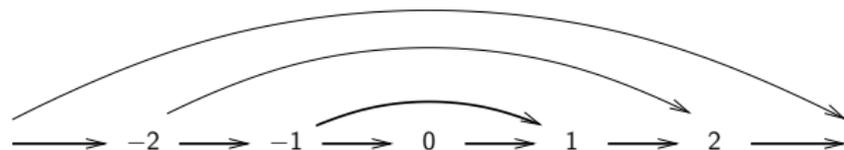
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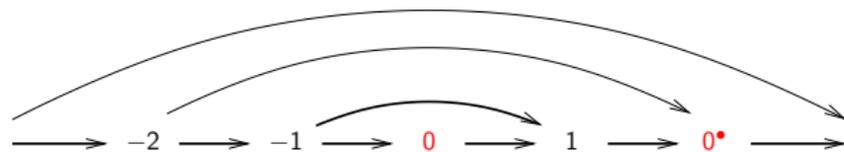
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Examples show:

- ▶ confluent  $\not\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$
- ▶ transitivity might be harmful

# Exercises on Z

## Exercise

*(favourite Z?)*

*Does your favourite confluent rewrite system have the Z-property?*

# Exercises on $Z$

## Exercise

*(orthogonal systems)*

- ▶ *Verify that for the  $\lambda$ -calculus the full-development bullet map indeed has the  $Z$ -property, by verifying (Substitution), (Self), (Rhs), and (Z)*
- ▶ *Inductively define a full-development function on terms, for orthogonal TRSs, and verify that it does have the  $Z$ -property for these TRSs.*

# Exercises on Z

## Exercise

(*superdevelopments*)

Adapt the proof of the first item of the previous exercise to show:

## Theorem

$(\lambda x.M)N \rightarrow M[x:=N]$  has the Z-property, for  $\bullet$  full *super-development contracting all redexes present or upward created*:

$$\begin{aligned}x^\bullet &= x \\(\lambda x.M)^\bullet &= \lambda x.M^\bullet \\(MN)^\bullet &= M'[x:=N^\bullet] \quad \text{if } M \text{ is a term, } M^\bullet = \lambda x.M' \\ &= M^\bullet N^\bullet \quad \text{otherwise}\end{aligned}$$

## Example

- ▶  $I^\bullet = I$ ;  $(I = \lambda x.x)$
- ▶  $(I(II))^\bullet = I$ ,  $(III)^\bullet = I$ ;
- ▶  $((\lambda xy.x)zw)^\bullet = z$ ;
- ▶  $((\lambda xy.lyx)zI)^\bullet = Iz$

# Exercises on $Z$

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*( $Z$  vs. decreasing diagrams)\**

*Can you prove confluence of braids or  $\lambda$ -calculus or orthogonal TRSs using decreasing diagrams (other than via the completeness result)?*

# Exercises on Z

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$(\beta\bar{\eta})^*$

*Does the  $\lambda$ -calculus with  $\beta$ -reduction and **restricted**  $\eta$ -expansion, i.e. the inverse of  $\eta$ -reduction restricted so that it never **creates** a  $\beta$ -redex (generates a new  $\beta$ -redex), have the Z-property?*

# Exercises on $\mathbb{Z}$

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(properties of  $\bullet_s$ )

*Prove the properties of  $\bullet$  as given on page 75 of these slides.*

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