## Z

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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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## $Z \Rightarrow$ confluence

## Definition

$\rightarrow$ confluent, if $\nleftarrow \cdot \rightarrow \subseteq \rightarrow \cdot \nleftarrow$

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confluence $\Rightarrow$

- uniqueness of normal forms
- consistent, if some objects not joinable (distinct normal forms)
- decidable, if $\rightarrow$ is terminating


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


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

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Same method works for all orthogonal first/higher-order TRSs

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Moral: possibly more than one witnessing map for Z-property

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- $\lambda$-calculus with $\beta$ and $\eta: \lambda x . M x \rightarrow M$, if $x \notin M$;
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- parallel-or.


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## $\mathbf{Z} \Leftrightarrow$ angle

Theorem
for any map $\bullet, Z \Leftrightarrow\langle$
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(only if) Def. $a \rightarrow b$ if $b$ between $a$ and $a^{\bullet}$, i.e. $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow a^{*}$ :
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- Suppose $a \rightarrow b$.
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- $b \rightarrow a^{\bullet \bullet} \rightarrow b^{\bullet}$ so $b \rightarrow a^{\bullet}$ by definition of $\rightarrow$.

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