## 

Syntax-Free Developments

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## Definition

rewrite system $\rightarrow$ comprises:

- a set of objects
- a set of (rewrite) steps
- functions src, tgt mapping a step to its source, target object



## Definition (Z)

$\rightarrow$ has the Z-property if there is a (bullet) map • from objects to objects such that for any step $a \rightarrow b$ from $a$ to $b$ there exist many-step reductions $b \rightarrow a^{\bullet}$ from $b$ to $a^{\bullet}$ (upper bound) and $a^{\bullet} \rightarrow b^{\bullet}$ from $a^{\bullet}$ to $b^{\bullet}$ (monotonic)


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$\exists \bullet: A \rightarrow A, \forall a, b \in A: a \rightarrow b \Longrightarrow b \rightarrow a^{\bullet}, a^{\bullet} \rightarrow b^{\bullet}$

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- for property $P$, strategy is hyper- $P$ if hyper-strategy is $P$
- cofinal: for each strategy reduction any co-initial reduction extendible to it


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works for all orthogonal structured rewrite systems


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## Theorem (cf. Aczel)

$\rightarrow_{\beta}$ has the Z-property for $\bullet$ full superdevelopment:

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full superdevelopment; shortest mechanized proof


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## Confluent rewrite systems not having the Z-property

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confluent (by decreasing diagrams); no transitive steps (own transitive reduct)

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$(\Longrightarrow)$ define $a \rightarrow b$ if $b$ between $a$ and $a^{\bullet}$, i.e. $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow a^{\bullet}:$

## Syntax-free developments

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$a \rightarrow b$ defined as $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow a^{\bullet}$ can be seen as a •-development, as a syntax-free definition of development (Church \& Rosser) relative to •. which results on developments can be recovered for $\bullet$-developments, i.e. in a syntax-free way?

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- rules $g(x) \rightarrow h(x) \rightarrow i(x) \rightarrow x$; collapsing $i(h(g(a)))^{\bullet}=i(h(a))$ but $i(h(g(a))) \bullet$-develops to $i(h(i(a)))$


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conditions guarantee absence of syntactic accidents (Lévy): $t \rightarrow s \rightarrow t^{\bullet}$, at most one reduction up to permutation equivalence between two terms $\Longrightarrow$ development $t \rightarrow t^{\bullet}$, so each step in $t \rightarrow s$ contracts residual of redex in $t \Longrightarrow$ $t \rightarrow s$ is a development.

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## Remark

can be regained for arbitrary orthogonal TRSs by lifting: add creation depths (to overcome collapsingness and non-termination; Hyland-Wadsworth/Lévy labels) to yield reconstructibility, and memory (to overcome erasingness; cf. Nederpelt's scars) to yield invertibility. Question: other systems ( $\lambda, S D$ )?

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- equivalent to triangle property (e.g. Takahashi) but conceptually minimal: no need for separate inductive definition of parallel reduction


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