# Confluence by Decreasing Diagrams, Converted 

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Confluence by
local confluence (Newman)
decreasing diagrams (trough) local confluence below (Winkler \& Buchberger) decreasing diagrams (seascape)

Concluding remarks

## Lemma of Newman/Pous

Theorem (Newman 1942)
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Theorem (folklore ?)
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measure peak by multiset sum $|\sigma| \uplus|\tau|$
$\mid$-| filters smaller labels to right, $|32343|=[3,3,4]$

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decreasing if $|\sigma| \uplus|\tau|$ as large as both $\left|\sigma \tau^{\prime}\right|$ and $\left|\tau \sigma^{\prime}\right|$ in multiset-extension of $\prec$

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4. $\mathrm{tl}(x: y) \rightarrow y$
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