

# Confluence of a Good Calculus with Explicit Substitutions Formalized

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$$\begin{array}{cccc} (\lambda x.t) \ u & \to & t[x/u] \\ x[x/u] & \to & u \\ y[x/u] & \to & y \\ (\lambda y.t')[x/u] & \to & \lambda y.t'[x/u] \\ (t' \ t'')[x/u] & \to & t'[x/u] \ t''[x/u] \end{array}$$

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#### The $\lambda \sigma$ -calculus

Developed by Delia Kesner [1]

$$\mathcal{T} ::= x \mid \lambda x. \mathcal{T} \mid \mathcal{T} \mathcal{T} \mid \mathcal{T}[x/\mathcal{T}]$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} t[x/u][y/v] & =_C & t[y/v][x/u], & \text{if } y \notin \mathtt{fv}(u) \text{ and } x \notin \mathtt{fv}(v) \\ (\lambda x.t) \ u & \to_{\mathtt{B}} & t[x/u] \\ x[x/u] & \to_{\mathtt{Var}} & u \\ t[x/u] & \to_{\mathtt{Gc}} & t, & \text{if } x \notin \mathtt{fv}(t) \\ (t \ v)[x/u] & \to_{\mathtt{App}} & t[x/u] \ v[x/u] \\ (\lambda y.t)[x/u] & \to_{\mathtt{Lamb}} & \lambda y.t[x/u] \\ t[x/u][y/v] & \to_{\mathtt{Comp}} & t[y/v][x/u[y/v]], & \text{if } y \in \mathtt{fv}(u) \end{array}$$

- Goal: Formal proof of confluence (with code extraction).
  - Proof assistant: Coq.
  - Framework: Locally nameless representation (Arthur Charguéraud).
    - + No need for  $\alpha$ -conversion (bound variables are De Bruijn indexes).
    - + No need referential contexts (named free variables).
    - The whole library is non-constructive.

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\mathcal{T} ::= x \mid \mathcal{T}\mathcal{T} \mid \lambda x.\mathcal{T} \mid \mathcal{T}[x/\mathcal{T}]
Inductive pterm : Set :=
     pterm\_bvar : nat \rightarrow pterm
     pterm_fvar : var \rightarrow pterm
     pterm\_app: pterm 	o pterm 	o pterm
     pterm\_abs: pterm \rightarrow pterm
     pterm\_sub: pterm \rightarrow pterm \rightarrow pterm.
Inductive term : pterm \rightarrow Prop :=
     term\_var : \forall x, term (pterm\_fvar x)
     term\_app: \forall t1 t2, term t1 \rightarrow term t2 \rightarrow
                              term (pterm_app t1 t2)
    \mid term_abs : \forall L t1,(\forall x, x \notin L \rightarrow term (t1 \hat{\ } x)) \rightarrow
                                                             term (pterm_abs t1)
    term\_sub: \forall L \ t1 \ t2, (\forall x, x \setminus notin L \rightarrow term (t1 \hat{x})) \rightarrow
                                        term\ t2 \rightarrow term\ (pterm\_sub\ t1\ t2).
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$$t[x/u][y/v] =_C t[y/v][x/u]$$
, if  $y \notin fv(u)$  and  $x \notin fv(v)$ 

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Inductive eqc: Rel pterm:= | eqc\_def: \forall t \ u \ v, \ term \ u \rightarrow term \ v \rightarrow eqc \ (t[u][v]) \ ((\& \ t)[v][u]).
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Definition eqC (t: pterm) (u: pterm) := refltrans eqc\_ctx t u. Notation "t =  $_C$  u" := (eqC t u) (at level 66).

$$(\lambda x.t) u \rightarrow_{\mathtt{B}} t[x/u]$$

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Inductive rule_b : Rel pterm := 
 reg\_rule\_b : \forall (t \ u:pterm),
 rule\_b (pterm\_app(pterm\_abs \ t) \ u) (t[u]).
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Definition  $b\_ctx \ t \ u := ES\_contextual\_closure \ rule\_b \ t \ u.$  Notation "t  $\rightarrow_B$  u" :=  $(b\_ctx \ t \ u)$  (at level 66).

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x[x/u] \rightarrow_{Var} u
          t[x/u] \rightarrow_{GC} t
                                                              if x \notin fv(t)
          (t \ v)[x/u] \longrightarrow_{App} t[x/u] \ v[x/u]
          (\lambda y.t)[x/u] \rightarrow_{Lamb} \lambda y.t[x/u]
          t[x/u][y/v] \rightarrow_{\text{Comp}} t[y/v][x/u[y/v]], \text{ if } y \in \text{fv}(u)
Inductive sys_x : Rel pterm :=
reg\_rule\_var : \forall t, sys\_x (pterm\_bvar 0 [t]) t
 reg\_rule\_gc: \forall t u, sys\_x(t[u]) t
reg_rule\_app : \forall t1 t2 u,
  sys_x ((pterm_app t1 t2)[u]) (pterm_app (t1[u]) (t2[u]))
reg_rule_lamb : \forall t u
  sys_x ((pterm_abs t)[u]) (pterm_abs ((& t)[u]))
| reg\_rule\_comp : \forall t u v, has\_free\_index 0 u \rightarrow
  sys_x(t[u][v])(((\& t)[v])[u[v]).
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Corollary lex_is_confluent: Confl lex.
Proof.
   apply Zprop_implies_Confl.
   apply Zlex.
Qed.
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# Confluence and the Z Property

#### **Definition (Z Property)**

Let  $(A, \rightarrow)$  be an abstract rewriting system (ARS). The system  $(A, \rightarrow)$  has the Z property, if there exists a map  $f : A \rightarrow A$  such that:

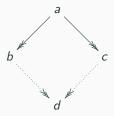


**Definition** Zprop  $\{A: Type\}$   $(R: Rel A) := \exists f: A \rightarrow A, \forall a b, R a b \rightarrow ((refltrans R) b (f a) \land (refltrans R) (f a) (f b)).$ 

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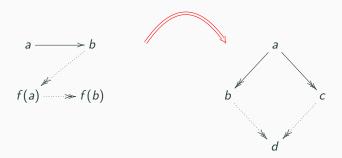
#### **Definition (Confluence)**

An ARS  $(A, \rightarrow)$  is confluent if



**Definition** Confl  $\{A: Type\}$   $(R: Rel A) := \forall a b c, (refltrans R) a b <math>\rightarrow$   $(refltrans R) a c \rightarrow (\exists d, (refltrans R) b d \land (refltrans R) c d).$ 

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**Theorem** Zprop\_implies\_Confl  $\{A: Type\}: \forall R: Rel A, Zprop R \rightarrow Confl R.$ 



D. Kesner.

A Theory of Explicit Substitutions with Safe and Full Composition.

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