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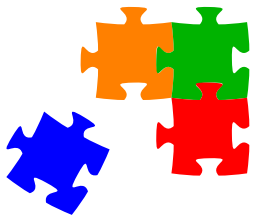
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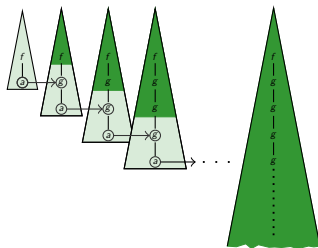


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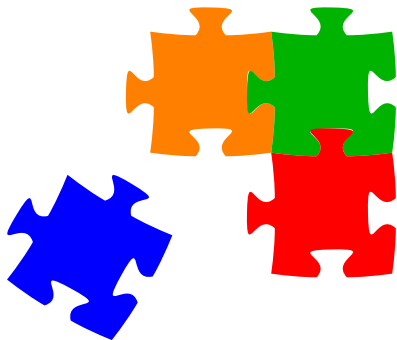
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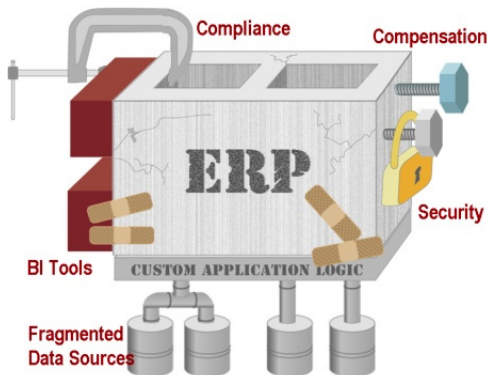
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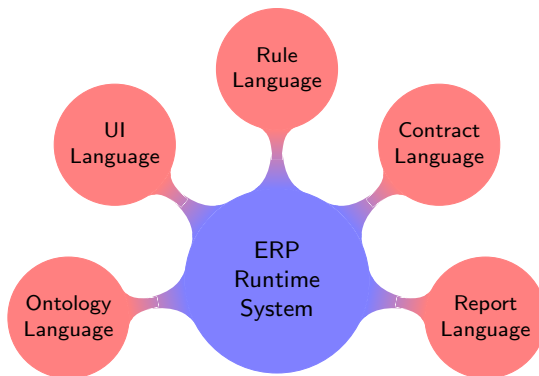


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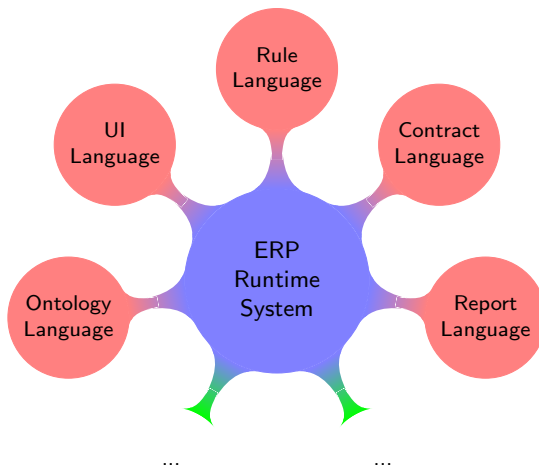
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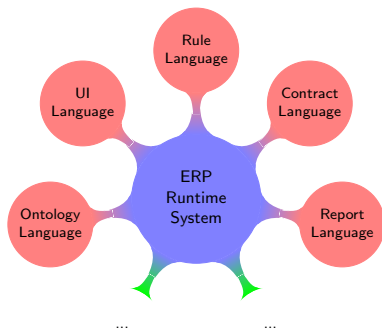
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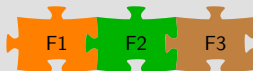
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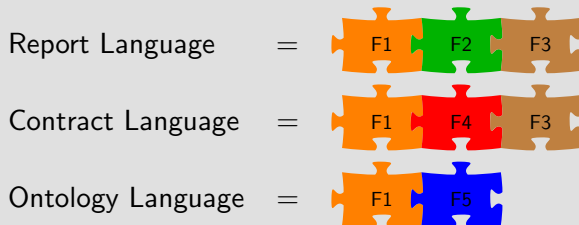


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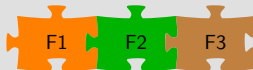
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Based on: Wouter Swierstra. *Data types à la carte*

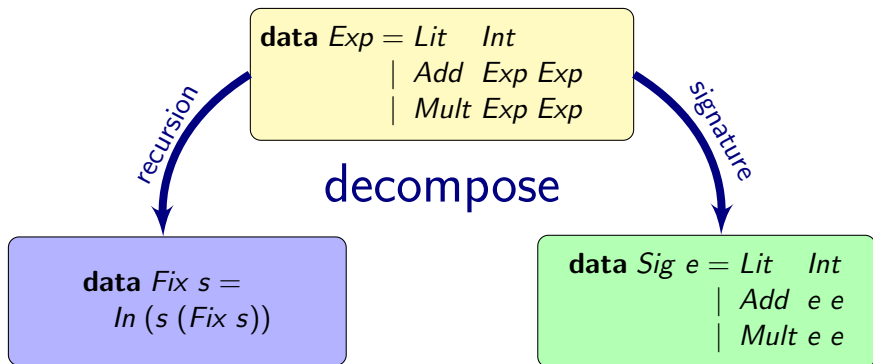


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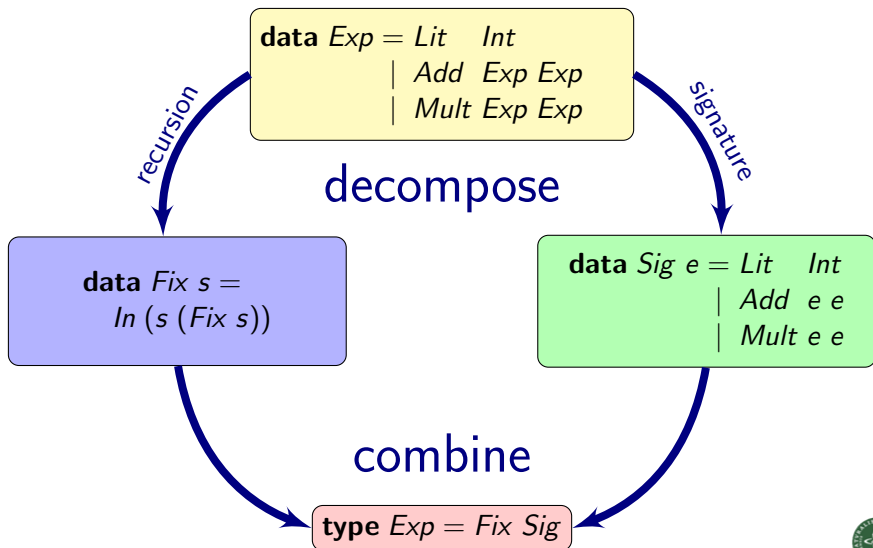
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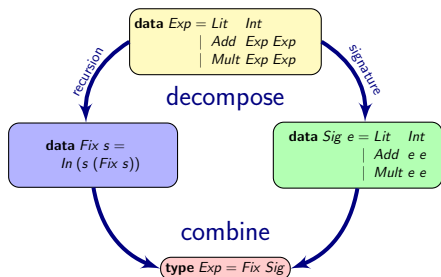
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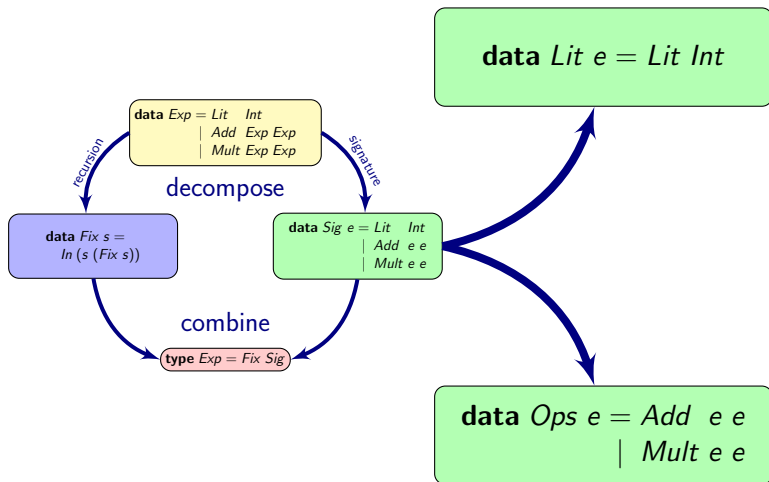
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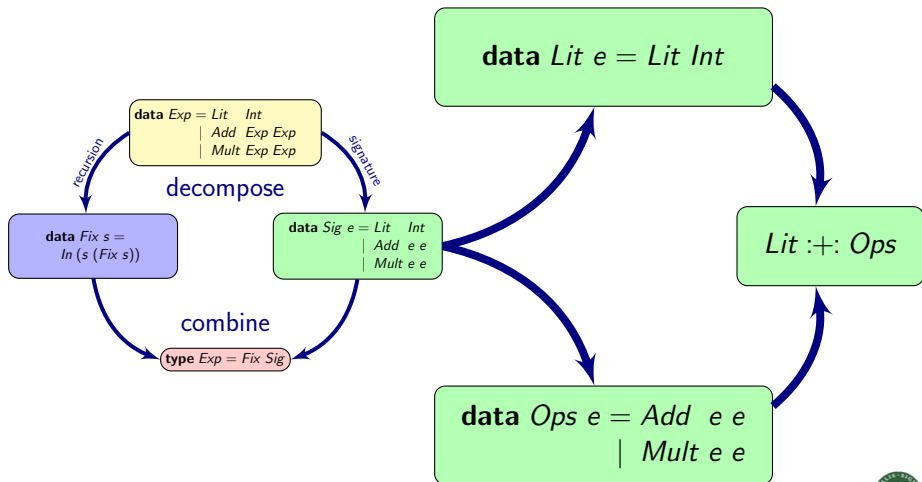
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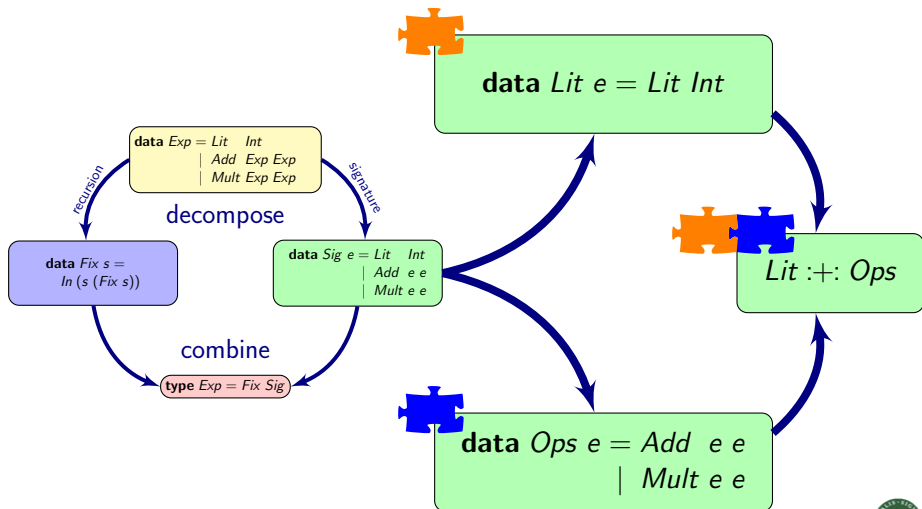
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“Algebras with more structure”

- algebras with effects
- tree homomorphisms, tree automata, tree transducers
 - ▶ sequential composition \rightsquigarrow program optimisation (deforestation)
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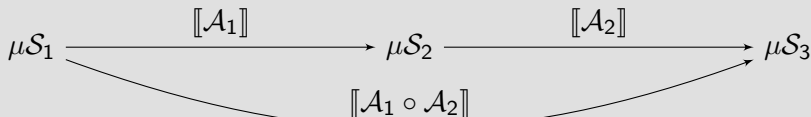
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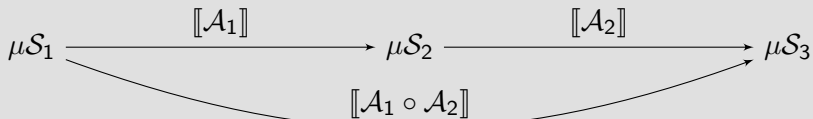
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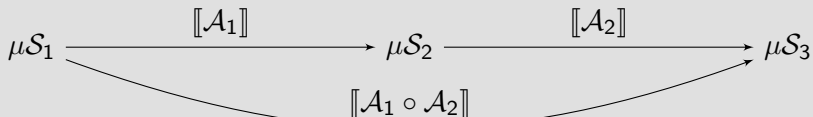
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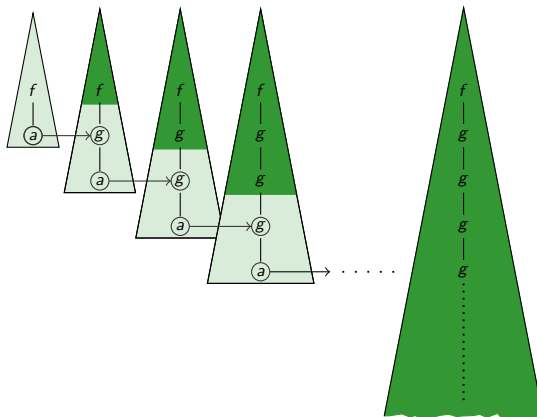
Future work

- **reasoning** about modular implementations
(*Meta-Theory à la Carte* [Delaware et al. 2013])
- describing **interactions** between modules
- how well does modularity **scale**?

And now it's time for something
completely different.



Partial Order Approach to Infinitary Rewriting



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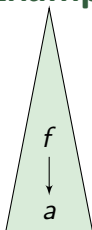
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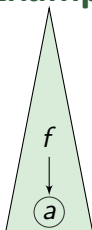
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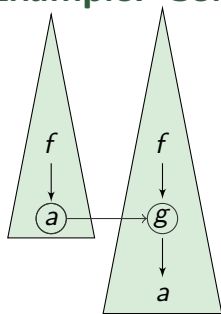
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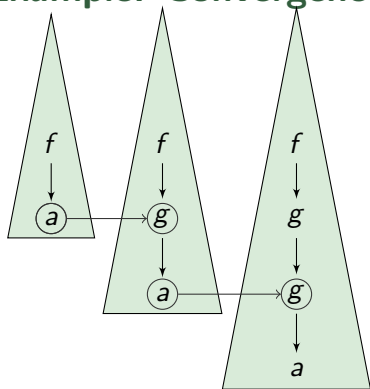
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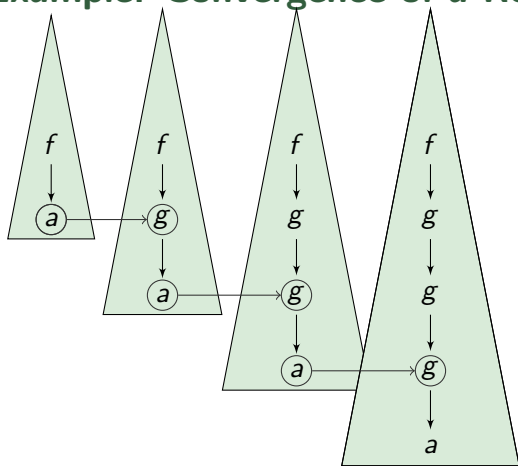
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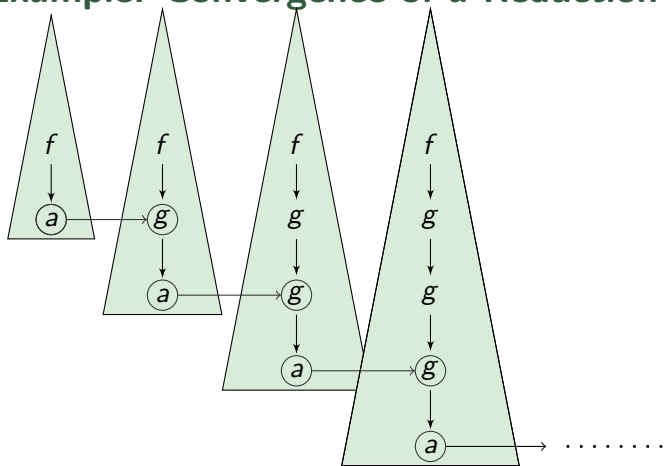
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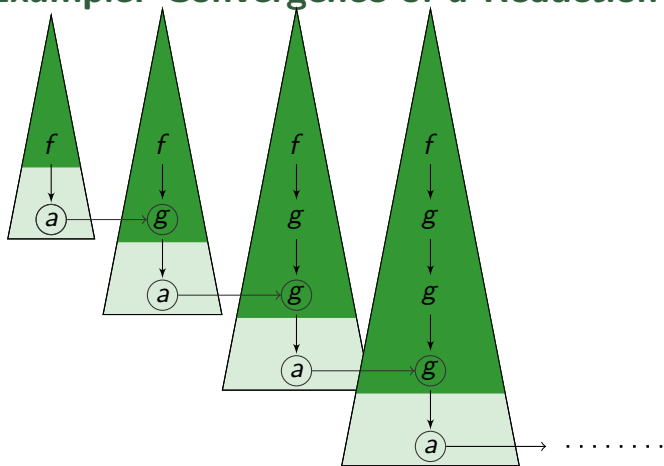
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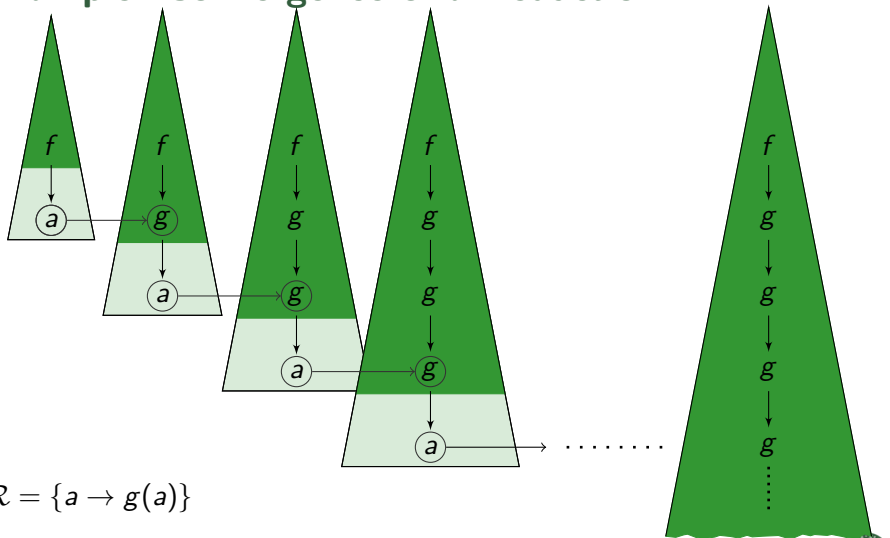
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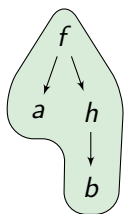
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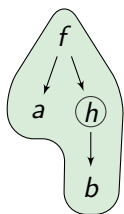
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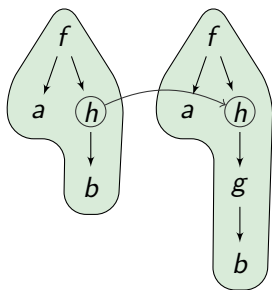
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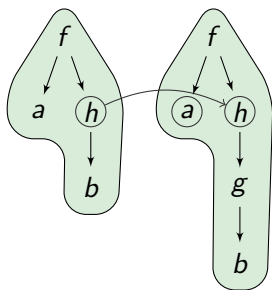
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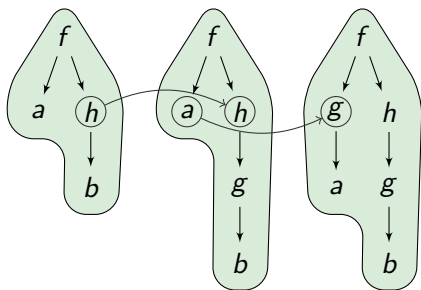
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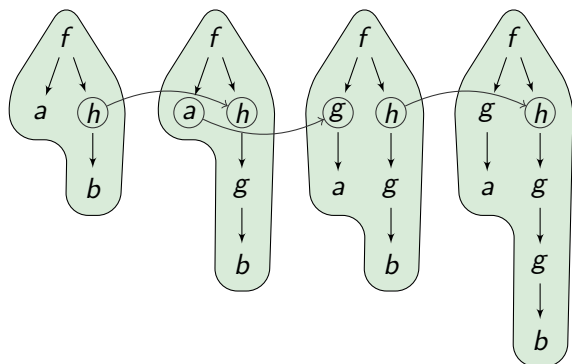
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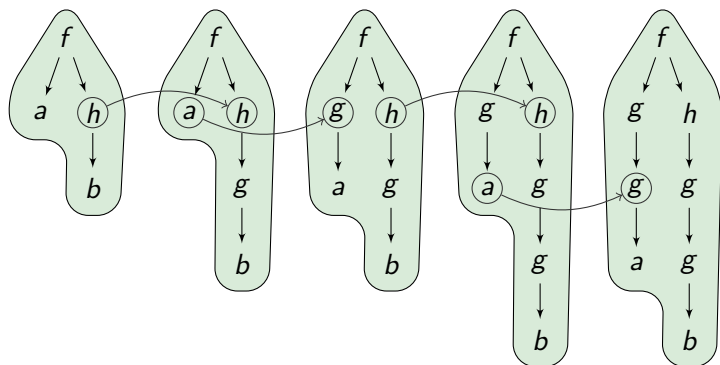
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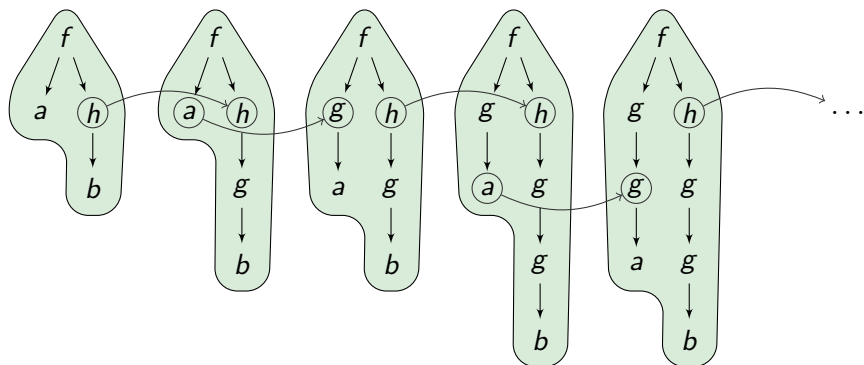
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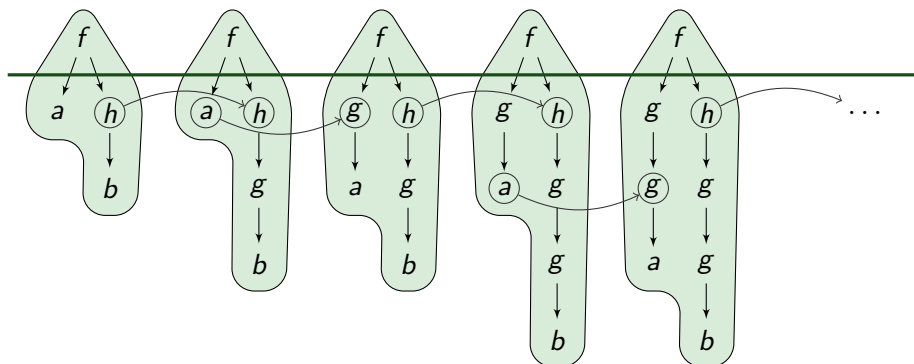
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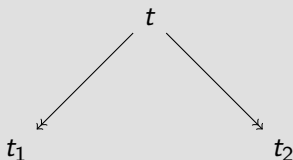
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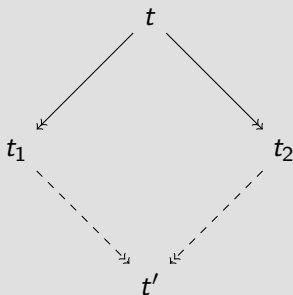


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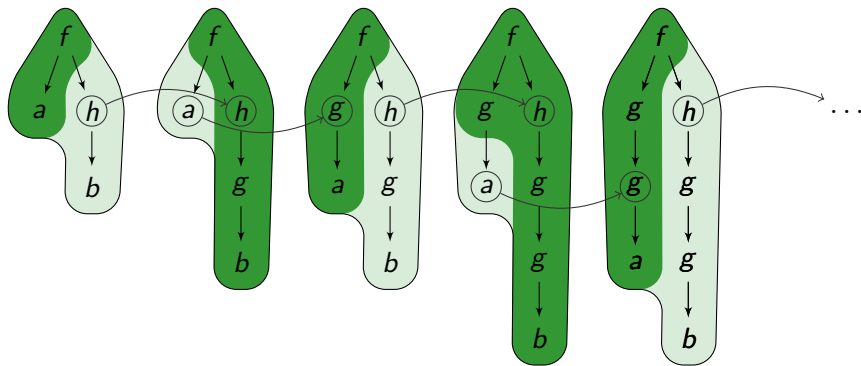
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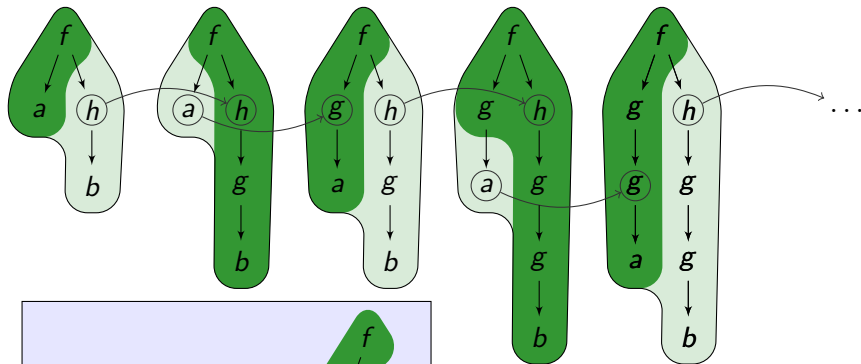
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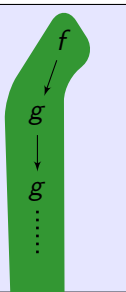
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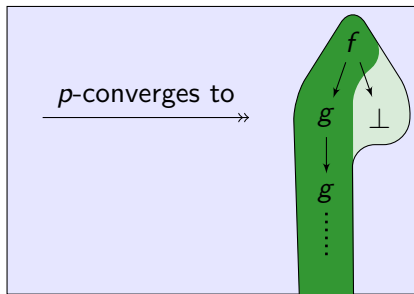
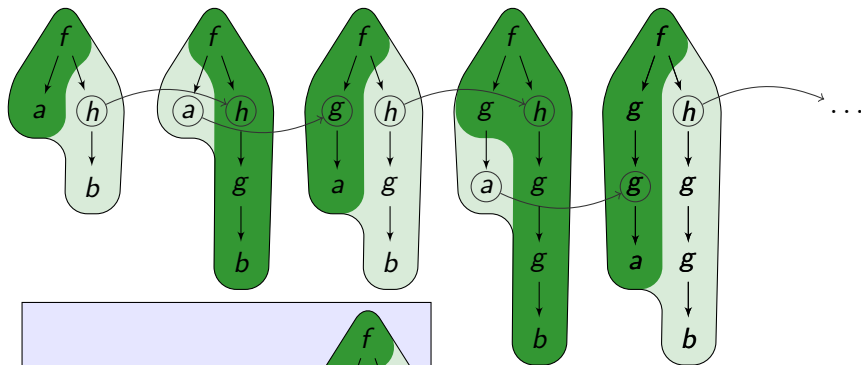
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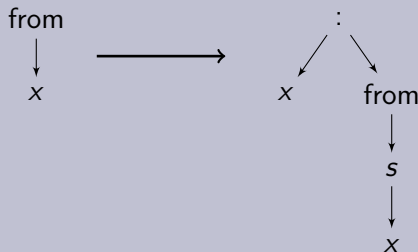
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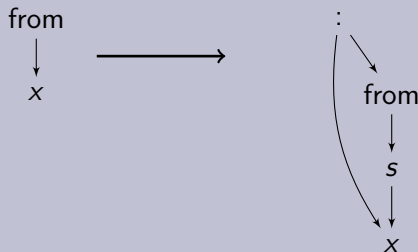
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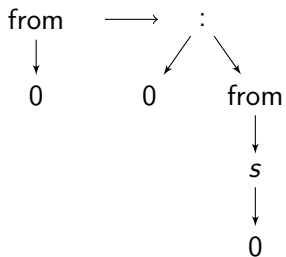
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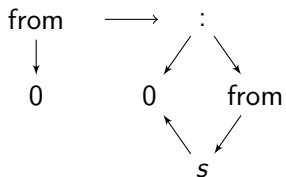
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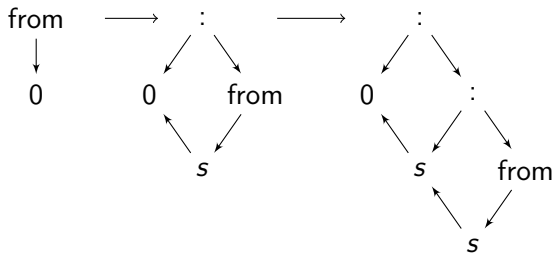
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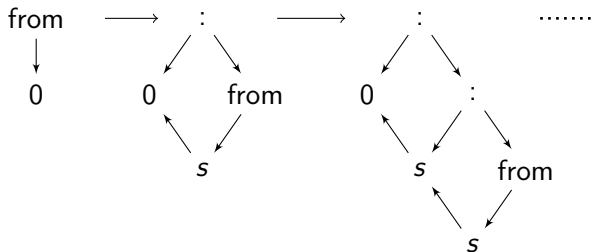
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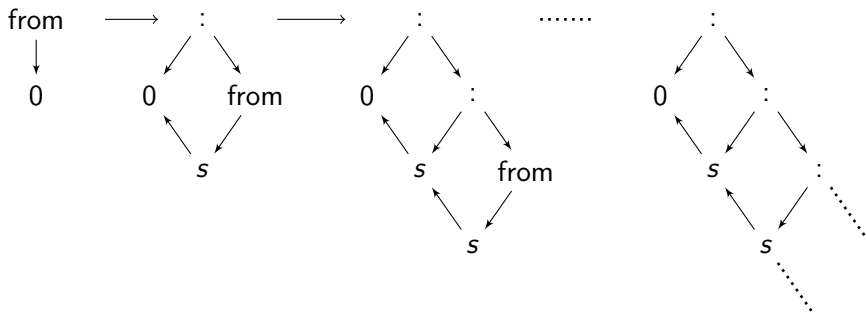
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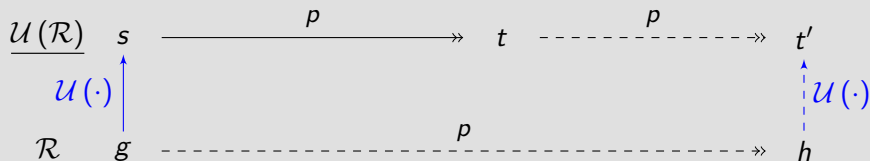
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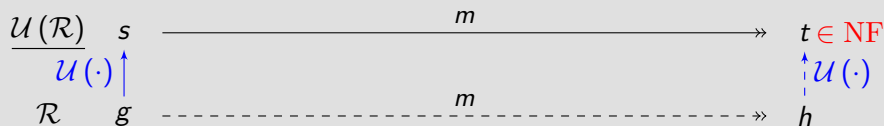
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Future work: Infinitary term graph rewriting

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