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## Convergence in Infinitary Term Graph Rewriting Systems is Simple

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#### towards infinitary lambda calculi with letrec

- Ariola & Blom. Skew confluence and the lambda calculus with letrec.
- the calculus is non-confluent
- but there is a notion of infinite normal forms



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• formalised by the limit inferior:

$$\liminf_{\iota\to\alpha} t_\iota = \bigsqcup_{\beta<\alpha} \prod_{\beta\leq\iota<\alpha} t_\iota$$

• intuition: eventual persistence of nodes of the terms



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### Definition (Simple partial order $\leq_{\perp}^{S}$ on term graphs)

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