# Strict Ideal Completions of the Lambda Calculus 

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Metric completion approach

- adjusting the metric yields different calculi

This talk

- Can we do the same for partial orders?

1. Metric Completion
2. Ideal Completion
3. Results

## Metric Completion

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We can manipulate $\mathbf{d}$ by changing the notion of depth.

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Böhm reduction
In addition, we need rewrite rules

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for each $t$ that is root-active ( $=$ can be contracted at depth 0 arbitrarily often)

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converges to the infinite term $((\ldots y) y) y$ in 111 , but not in 001, 101
$(((\ldots y) y) y$ is not even a valid term in 001, 101).

## Ideal Completion

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Generalisation to $\underset{\perp}{a b c}$

- We adjust definition of $\leq_{\perp}$ by restricting monotonicity
- For example: $\quad \lambda x . \perp \not \mathbb{L}_{\perp}^{011} \lambda x . M$.


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Drawback

- does not capture arbitrary 'meaningless terms'


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## Bonus Slides

## More Correspondences

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