

# An Introduction to Graph Rewriting

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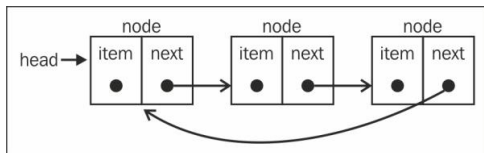
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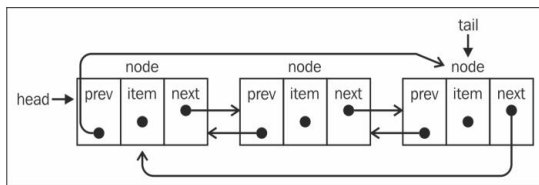
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## Handling real-world data structures

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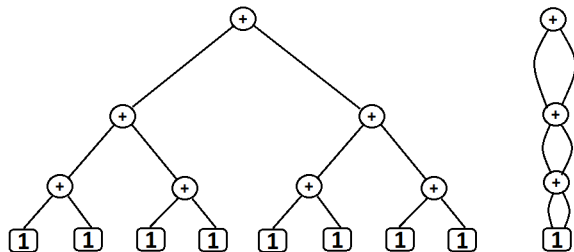


### A Doubly-Linked Circular List



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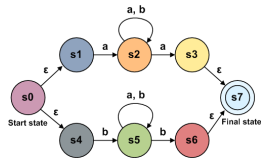
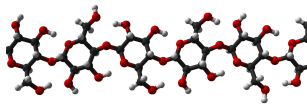
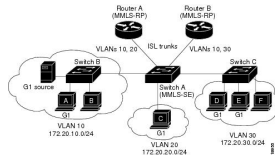
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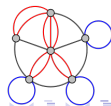
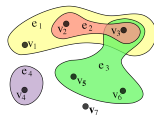
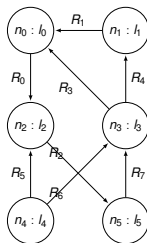
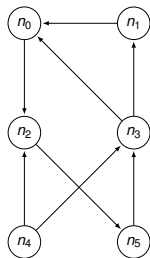
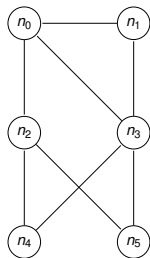
Programming, Graph Grammars, UML-like Modeling, Databases, etc.



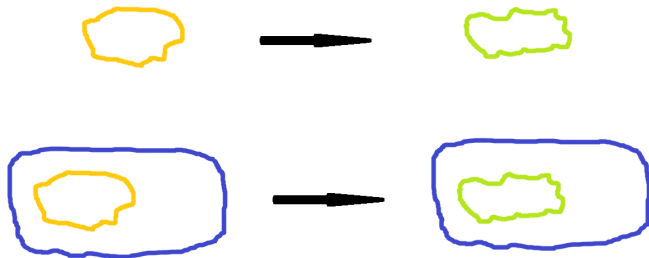
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## Various Definitions of Graphs

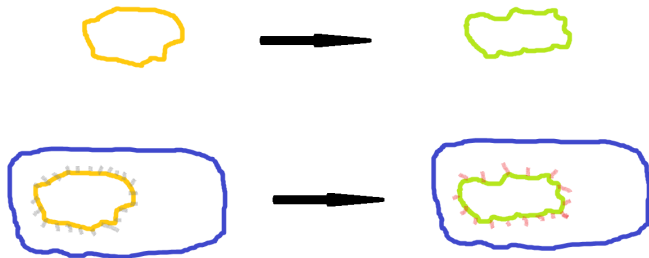
- Undirected graphs
- Directed graphs
- Labeled graphs
- Hypergraphs
- Multigraphs
- Rooted graphs
- Attributed graphs
- ...



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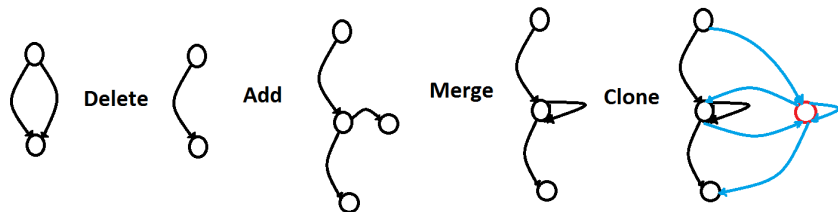
# Graph Rewriting : Elementary Actions

There are different possible elementary actions on graphs.

- **Delete** an existing item (node or edge)
- **Add** a new item
- **Merge** two or more items
- **Clone** (copy) an item or a subgraph
- ...



# Graph Rewriting :Elementary Actions



# Graph Rewriting

## Different frameworks

Since late 1960's!

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  - ▶ Imperative Programs
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  - ▶ Graph Grammars
  - ▶ Knowledge-Base updates
  - ▶ Non-classical Logics
  - ▶ ...

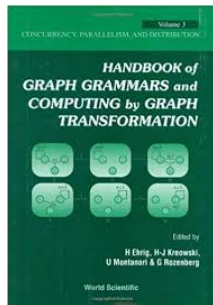
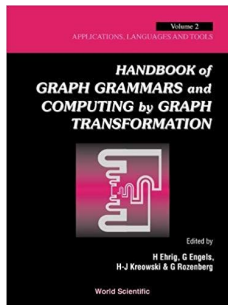
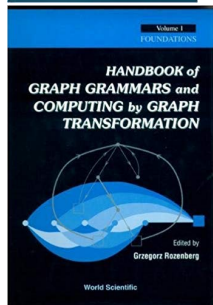
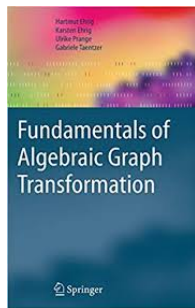
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    - ★ Algorithmic approaches
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# Categories

A **category**  $C=(Obj_C, Hom_C, \circ, id)$  consists of

- A class  $Obj_C$  of **objects**
- A class  $Hom_C$  of **morphisms**. We write  $Hom_C(A, B)$  for the morphisms from object  $A$  to  $B$  and  $f : A \rightarrow B$  an element of  $Hom_C(A, B)$
- A **composition** of morphisms  $\circ$ . For all objects,  $A, B$  and  $C$ ,  
 $\circ : Hom_C(A, B) \times Hom_C(B, C) \rightarrow Hom_C(A, C)$ .

Such that:

- The **composition**  $\circ$  is **associative**: For all morphisms  $f : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g : B \rightarrow C$  and  $h : C \rightarrow D$ ,  $(h \circ g) \circ f = h \circ (g \circ f)$  and
- For every object  $A$ , there exists a morphism  $id_A : A \rightarrow A$  called the **identity** such that: for all morphism  $f : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $f \circ id_A = f$  and  $id_B \circ f = f$ .

# Examples of categories

Category of sets :

- objects are sets
- morphisms are functions

Category of graphs :

- objects are graphs
- morphisms are graph homomorphisms

# Graphs

In this talk we consider the category of graphs where objects and morphisms are defined as follows:

A **graph** (or multigraph)  $G = (N_G, E_G, s_G, t_G)$  consists of

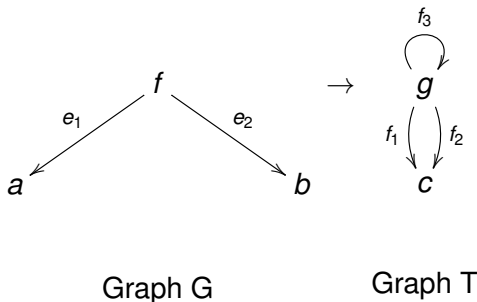
- a set of **nodes**  $N_G$
- a set of **edges**  $E_G$
- a **source** function  $s_G : E_G \rightarrow N_G$
- a **target** function  $t_G : E_G \rightarrow N_G$

A graph homomorphism between two graph  $G$  and  $T$ ,  $h : G \rightarrow T$ , consists of two functions  $h_N : N_G \rightarrow N_T$  and  $h_E : E_G \rightarrow E_T$  such that :

- $h_N \circ s_G = s_T \circ h_E$
- $h_N \circ t_G = t_T \circ h_E$



# Graph Homomorphism: Example



$N_G = \{f, a, b\}$  and  $E_G = \{e_1, e_2\}$

$N_T = \{g, c\}$  and  $E_T = \{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$

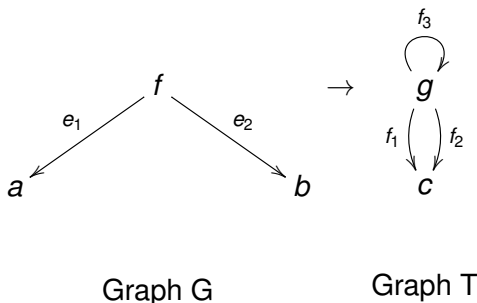
Notice that symbols  $f, a, b, c, g$  represent nodes and not function symbols!

A first homomorphism  $h: G \rightarrow T$  can be defined as follows:

$h_N(f) = g$  and  $h_N(a) = h_N(b) = c$

$h_E(e_1) = f_1$  and  $h_E(e_2) = f_2$

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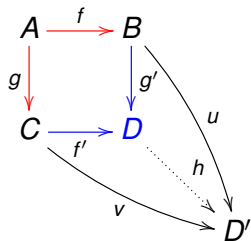
$$k_N(f) = k_N(a) = k_N(b) = g$$

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Are there other homomorphisms between  $G$  and  $T$ ?

# Pushout

## Definition



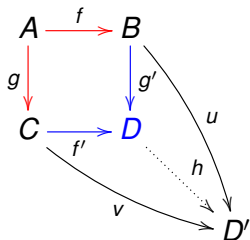
The **Pushout** of morphisms  $f$  and  $g$  consists of an object  $D$  and two morphisms  $f'$  and  $g'$  such that :

- **Commutativity**  
 $g' \circ f = f' \circ g$ , and

- **Universal Property**

For all objects  $D'$  and morphisms  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $u \circ f = v \circ g$ , there exists a unique morphism  $h : D \rightarrow D'$  such that  $h \circ g' = u$  and  $h \circ f' = v$ .

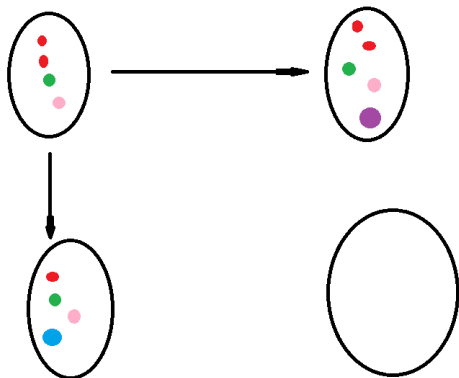
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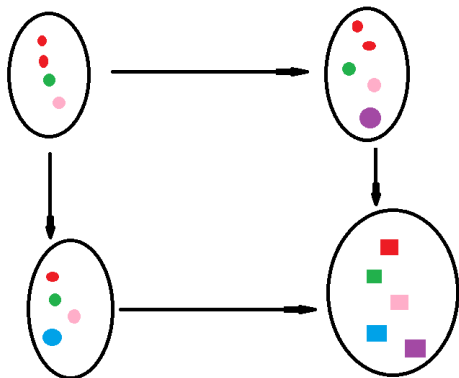
In Sets:

- $D = (B + C)/\equiv$   
with  $\equiv$  being the least equivalence generated by the pairs  $\{(f(x), g(x)) \mid x \in A\}$  over  $B + C$ .
- For all  $x \in B$ ,  $g'(x) = \bar{x}$
- For all  $x \in C$ ,  $f'(x) = \bar{x}$

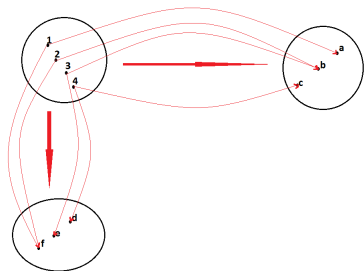
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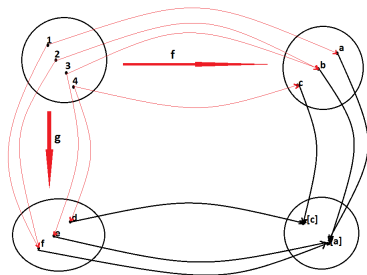


## Pushout: Example 2



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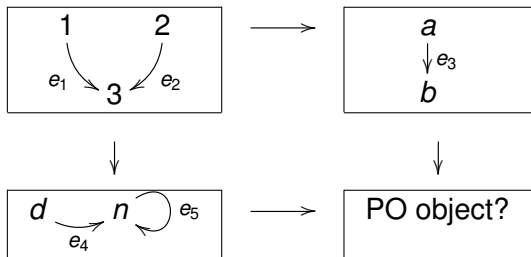
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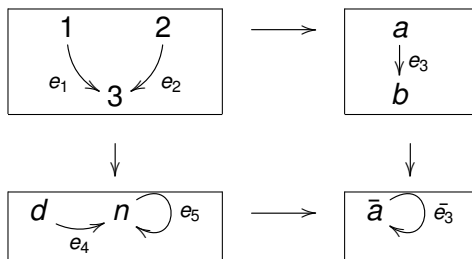
## Pushout: Example3



$$f(1) = a, f(2) = a, f(3) = b, f(e_1) = f(e_2) = e_3$$
$$g(1) = n, g(2) = d, g(3) = n, g(e_1) = e_5, g(e_2) = e_4$$

In graphs: The sets of nodes and edges of the pushout object ( $D$ ) can be constructed componentwise as pushouts in Sets (respecting the source and target functions)

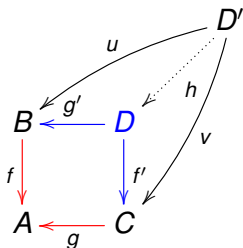
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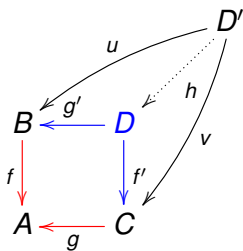
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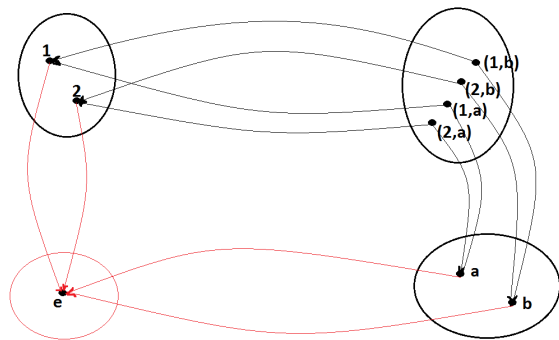
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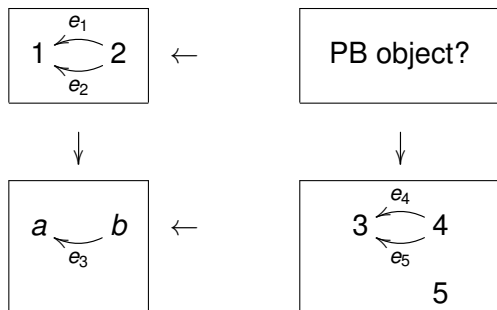
In Sets,

- $D = \{(x, y) \in B \times C \mid f(x) = g(y)\}$
- For all  $(b, c) \in D$ ,  $g'(b, c) = b$
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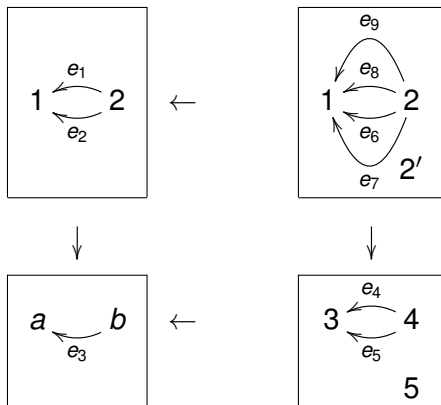


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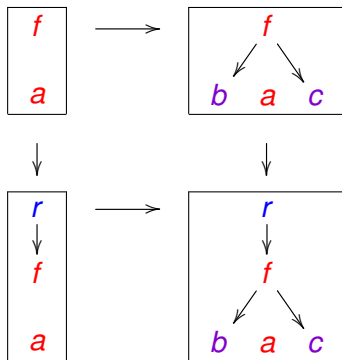
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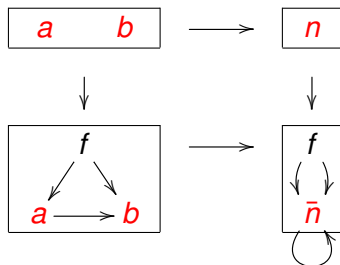
# Adding New Items

Pushouts can be used to add new items to a graph.



# Merging Existing Items

Pushouts can be used to merge existing items of a graph.



# Deleting Existing Items

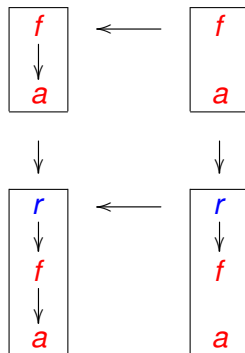
- Both Pushouts and Pullbacks can be used to delete items within a graph!
- Single pushout can be used to delete items in a graph but requires partial morphisms (out of this talk).

Use of pushout complement: A **pushout complement** (POC) of two morphisms  $m : L \rightarrow G$  and  $l : K \rightarrow L$  is an object  $D$  and two morphisms  $l' : D \rightarrow G$  and  $m' : K \rightarrow D$  such that the following diagram is a pushout :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xleftarrow{l} & K \\ m \downarrow & & \downarrow m' \\ G & \xleftarrow{l'} & D \end{array}$$

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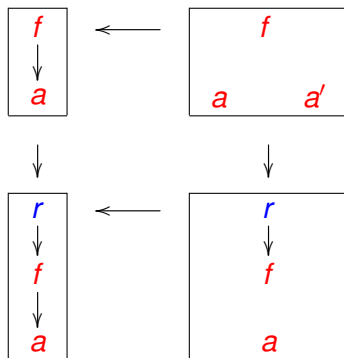
Example of the use of pushout complement



Remark: Pushout complements may not exist or not be unique!

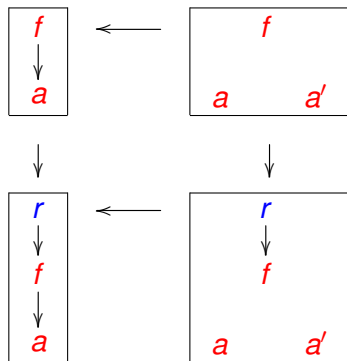
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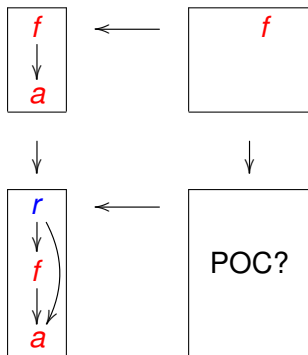
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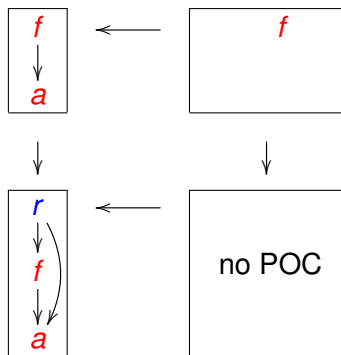
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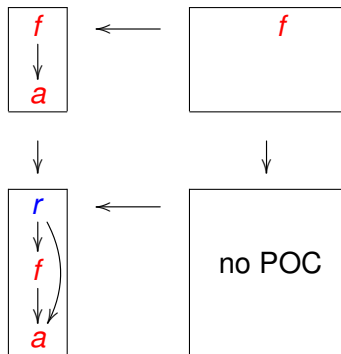
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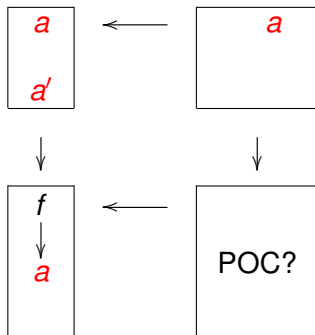


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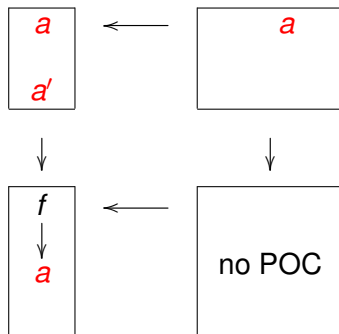


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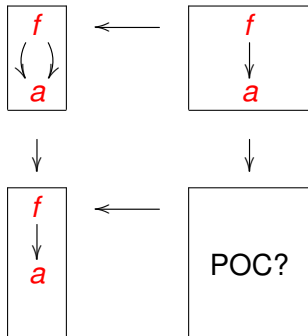
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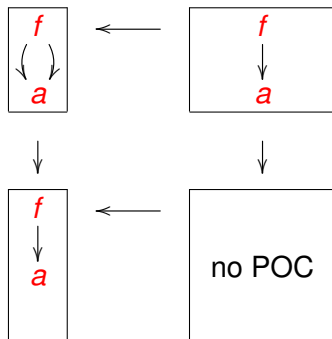
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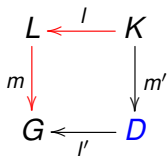


# Pushout Complement

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# Existence of Pushout Complements (in Graphs)



Let  $m : L \rightarrow G$  and  $l : K \rightarrow L$  be two graph morphisms. There exists a pushout complement defined by a graph  $D$  and two morphisms  $l' : D \rightarrow G$  and  $m' : K \rightarrow D$  iff the following *gluing* conditions hold :

- **Dangling Condition:**

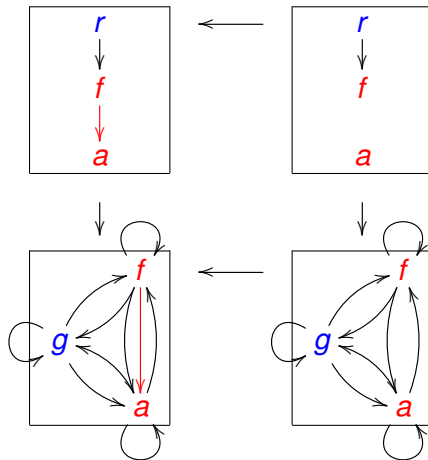
$$\{n \in N_L \mid \exists e \in E_G \setminus m(E_L), s_G(e) = m(n) \text{ or } t_G(e) = m(n)\} \subseteq l(N_K)$$

- **Identification Condition:**

- ▶  $\{n \in N_L \mid \exists n' \in N_L, n \neq n' \text{ and } m(n) = m(n')\} \subseteq l(N_K)$
- ▶  $\{e \in E_L \mid \exists e' \in E_L, e \neq e' \text{ and } m(e) = m(e')\} \subseteq l(E_K)$

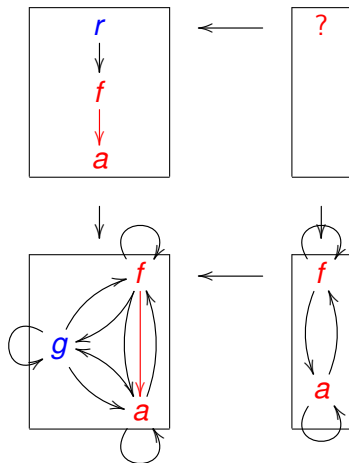
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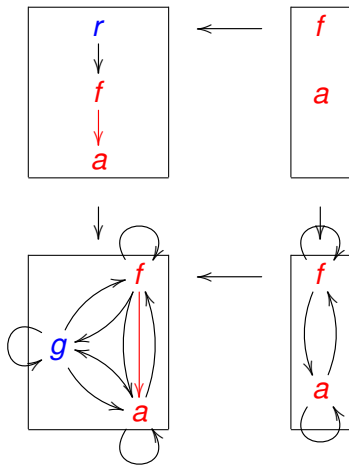
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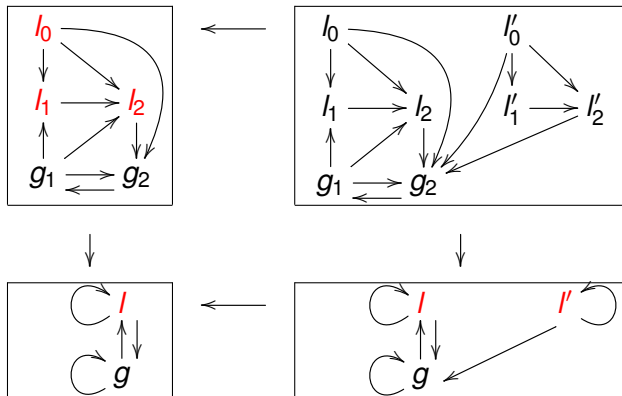
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# Cloning Items

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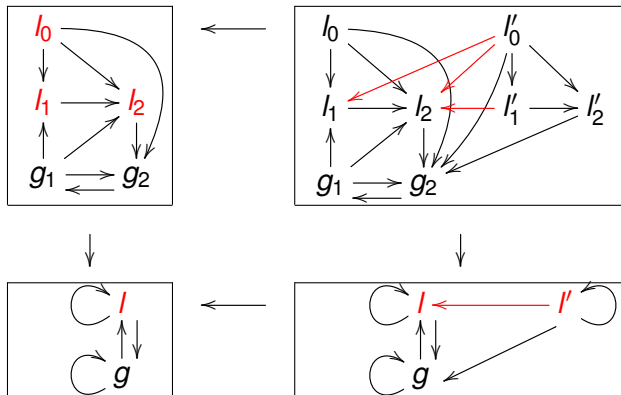
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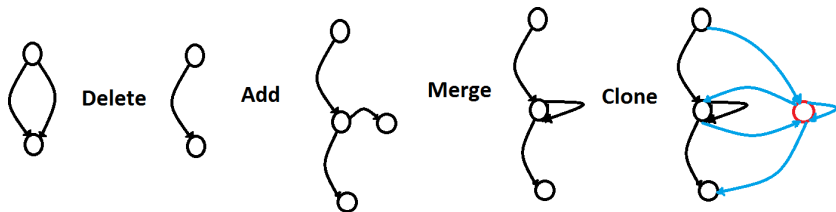
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Cloning the subgraph containing nodes  $l_0, l_1, l_2$



# Graph Rewriting

Give three rules implementing the following evolution



# Graph Rewriting

## Exercise

Starting from a graph  $G$  modeling agents ( $A$ ), files ( $F$ ) and an arbitrary access relation ( $R$ ) including possible prohibited accesses ( $R \subseteq A \times F$ ), give a rewrite rule which transforms  $G$  into a graph that satisfies the following policy.

There are two responsibility levels among agents : H and L. Files are classified according to 3 security levels : 1, 2 and 3. Agents of responsibility level H have the right to access files of security levels 1 and 2. Agents of responsibility level L have the right to access files of security levels 2 and 3.

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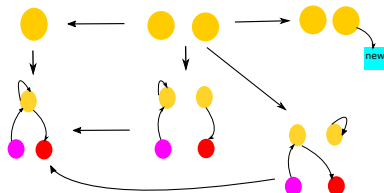
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} L & \xleftarrow{l} & K & \xrightarrow{r} & R \\ \downarrow m & & \downarrow d & & \downarrow m' \\ G & \xleftarrow{l'} & D & \xrightarrow{r'} & H \end{array}$$

*POC*      *PO*



# DPO Rules

## An example



POCs (Pushout complement) are not unique when cloning items!  
Delete actions are restricted by the gluing conditions.

# SQPO Rules

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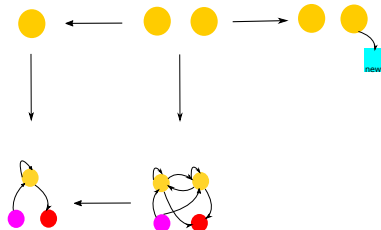
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$$\begin{array}{ccccc} L & \xleftarrow{l} & K & \xrightarrow{r} & R \\ \downarrow m & \text{FPBC} & \downarrow d & \text{PO} & \downarrow m' \\ G & \xleftarrow{l'} & D & \xrightarrow{r'} & H \end{array}$$

[ICGT 2006] Corradini et al. Sesqui-Pushout Rewriting. ICGT 2006: 30-45

# SQPO Rules

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Clone action is still quite limited!

# AGREE Rules

$$L \xleftarrow{l} K \xrightarrow{r} R$$

$$\downarrow t$$

$$T_K$$

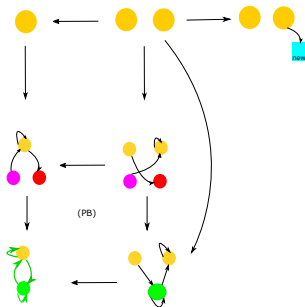
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 \downarrow m & & \downarrow n & & \downarrow p \\
 G & \xleftarrow{g} & D & \xrightarrow{h} & H \\
 \downarrow \bar{m} & & \downarrow n' & & \\
 T(L) & \xleftarrow{l'} & T_K & & 
 \end{array}$$

$\eta_L =$  (curved arrow from  $L$  to  $T(L)$ )  
 $\eta_R =$  (curved arrow from  $R$  to  $T_K$ )  
 $PB(a)$  (between  $G$  and  $D$ )  
 $PO(b)$  (between  $D$  and  $H$ )

**Caution** : The definition of AGREE transformation requires the existence, in the underlying category, of a *partial map classifier* [ICGT 2015][TCS 2019,to appear]

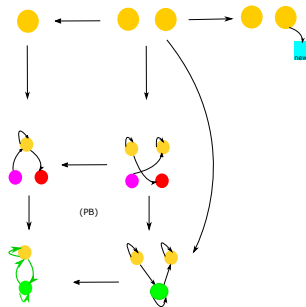
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Clone action is more flexible than SQPO but can still be improved!

# PBPO Rules

A PBPO rule consists of a (classical) **first span** of the form:

$$L \leftarrow K \rightarrow R$$

to which it is added a (typing) **second span**

$$L' \leftarrow K' \rightarrow R'$$

such that the two following squares commute :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} L & \xleftarrow{l} & K & \xrightarrow{r} & R \\ \downarrow t_L & = & \downarrow t_K & = & \downarrow t_R \\ L' & \xleftarrow{l'} & K' & \xrightarrow{r'} & R' \end{array}$$

[JLAMP2019]The PBPO graph transformation approach. J. Log. Algebr. Meth. Program. 103: 213-231 (2019)

# PBPO

## A rewrite step

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PBPO rewrite step : The **match** is defined as a pair  $(m, m')$ !

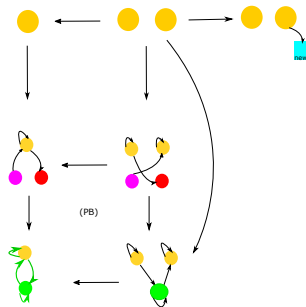
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} L & \xleftarrow{l} & K & \xrightarrow{r} & R \\ \downarrow m & = (a') & \downarrow n & PO (b) & \downarrow p \\ G & \xleftarrow{g} & D & \xrightarrow{h} & H \\ \downarrow m' & PB (a) & \downarrow n' & = (b') & \downarrow p' \\ L' & \xleftarrow{l'} & K' & \xrightarrow{r'} & R' \end{array}$$

Curved arrows on the left indicate  $t_L =$  from  $L$  to  $L'$  and  $t_R =$  from  $R$  to  $R'$ . Curved arrows in the middle indicate  $t_K =$  from  $K$  to  $K'$  and  $t_D =$  from  $D$  to  $D'$ .



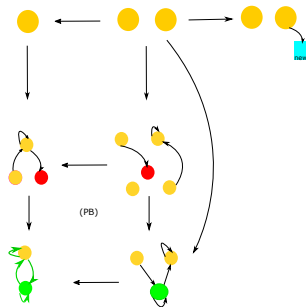
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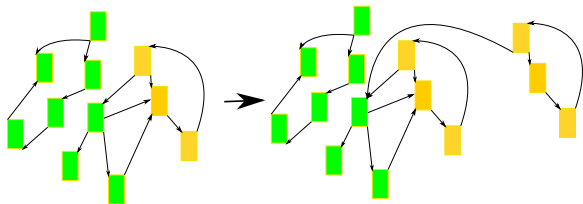


# The PBPO Approach :

## Exercise

Give a rewrite rule that makes a copy of the pages of a local web site or a copy of a whole directory

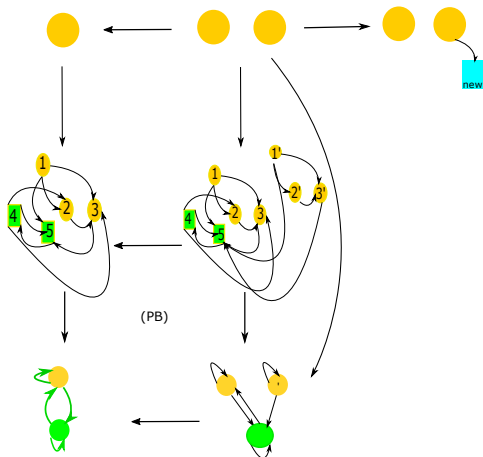
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cp -r <directory> <new directory>  
cp <a local web site>
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**AGREE** needs a new rule for every specific shape of the web site  
**PBPO** uses only one generic rule!

# PBPO Rewrite Step

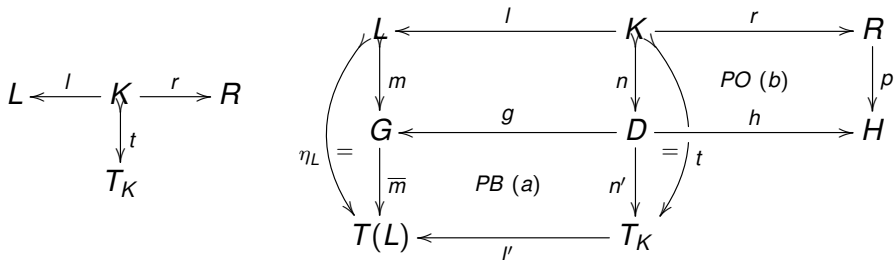
Example of the copy of local Web pages



# PBPO vs AGREE, SQPO

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Let  $\alpha$  be an AGREE rule in a category with a partial map classifier. Then there is a PBPO rule  $\rho_\alpha$  such that for each mono  $m : L \rightarrowtail G$  we have  $G \Rightarrow_\alpha^{\text{AGREE}} H$  if and only if  $G \Rightarrow_{\rho_\alpha} H$  using match  $(m, \bar{m})$  with  $\bar{m} : G \rightarrow T(L)$ .

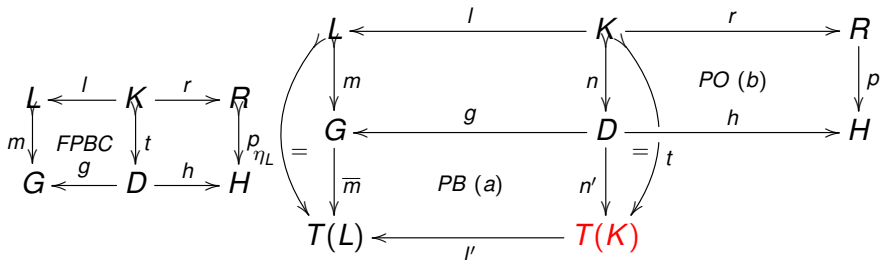


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# Attributed Graphs

definition borrowed from [DEPR, FASE2014]

- Let **Graph** be a category of structures (e.g., graphs)
- Let **Att** be a category of attribute structures (e.g.,  $\Sigma$ -algebras)
- Let  $S : \mathbf{Graph} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$  be a functor
- Let  $T : \mathbf{Att} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$  be a functor

## Definition

The category **AttG** of attributed graphs is defined as the comma category  $S \downarrow T$ .



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  - ▶  $A$  in **Att** and
  - ▶  $\alpha : S(G) \rightarrow T(A)$  (in **Set**) is a labelling function
- **Morphisms** :  $\widehat{g} : \widehat{G} \rightarrow \widehat{G}'$ , where  $\widehat{G} = (G, A, \alpha)$  and  $\widehat{G}' = (G', A', \alpha')$ , is a pair  $\widehat{g} = (g, a)$  with  $g : G \rightarrow G'$  is a morphism in **Graph** and  $a : A \rightarrow A'$  is a morphism in **Att** such that  $\alpha' \circ Sg = Ta \circ \alpha$  (in **Set**).

$$\begin{array}{c} \widehat{G} \\ \widehat{g} \downarrow \\ \widehat{G}' \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} G \\ g \downarrow \\ G' \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} SG & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & TA \\ Sg \downarrow & = & \downarrow Ta \\ SG' & \xrightarrow{\alpha'} & TA' \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} A \\ \downarrow a \\ A' \end{array}$$

# Partially Attributed Graphs

- **Partially** Attributed Graph :  $\widehat{G} = (G, A, \alpha)$ 
  - ▶  $G$  in **Graph**,
  - ▶  $A$  in **Att** and
  - ▶  $\alpha : S_p(G) \rightarrow T_p(A)$  (in **Pfn**) is a **partial** labeling function
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$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \widehat{G} & & G & & S_p G \xrightarrow{\alpha} T_p A & & A \\
 \widehat{g} \downarrow & = & g \downarrow & & S_p g \downarrow \quad \geq \quad \downarrow T_p a & & \downarrow a \\
 \widehat{G}' & & G' & & S_p G' \xrightarrow{\alpha'} T_p A' & & A'
 \end{array}$$

Remark:  $\geq$  states that morphisms preserve defined attributes  
 A morphism of partially attributed structures  $(g, a)$  is called **strict**  
 when  $\alpha' \circ S_p g = T_p a \circ \alpha$ .

# PBPO Rules for Attributed Graphs

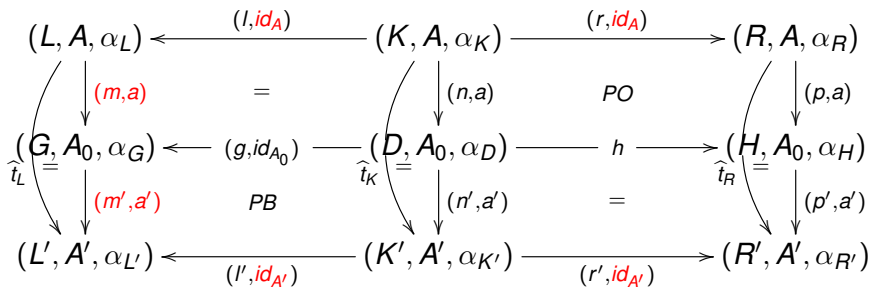
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (L, \mathbf{A}, \alpha_L) & \xleftarrow{(l, id_A)} & (K, \mathbf{A}, \alpha_K) & \xrightarrow{(r, id_A)} & (R, \mathbf{A}, \alpha_R) \\ \downarrow \widehat{t}_L & = & \downarrow \widehat{t}_K & = & \downarrow \widehat{t}_R \\ (L', \mathbf{A}', \alpha_{L'}) & \xleftarrow{(l', id_{A'})} & (K', \mathbf{A}', \alpha_{K'}) & \xrightarrow{(r', id_{A'})} & (R', \mathbf{A}', \alpha_{R'}) \end{array}$$

with the additional conditions

- $\alpha_L, \alpha_{L'}, \alpha_R$  and  $\alpha_{R'}$  are total labeling functions
- The morphism  $\widehat{t}_K$  is strict
- The morphism  $\widehat{t}_K$  is injective on non-attributed items

# PBPO Rewrite Step

The Attributed case

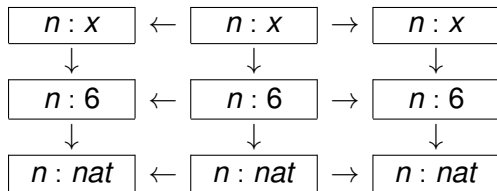


Does H always exist?

Is H completely attributed?

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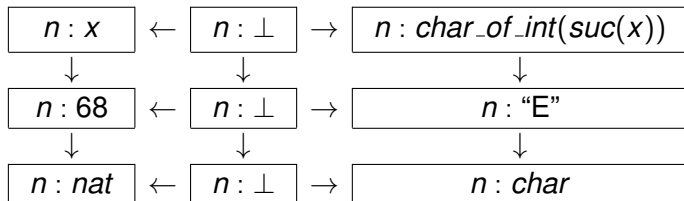
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Node  $n$  is preserved together with its attribute

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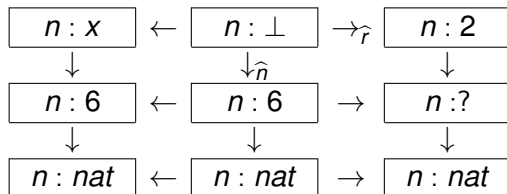
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Node  $n$  is preserved but re-attributed

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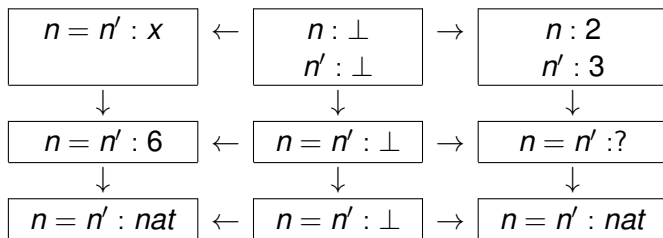
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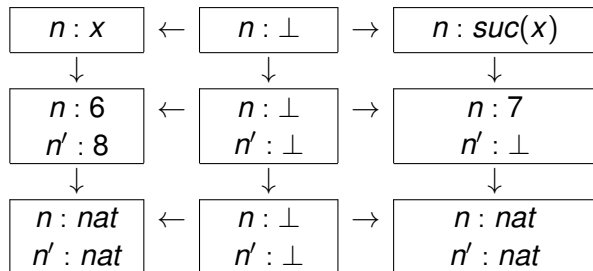


Case where  $\hat{t}_K$  is not injective on non-attributed items



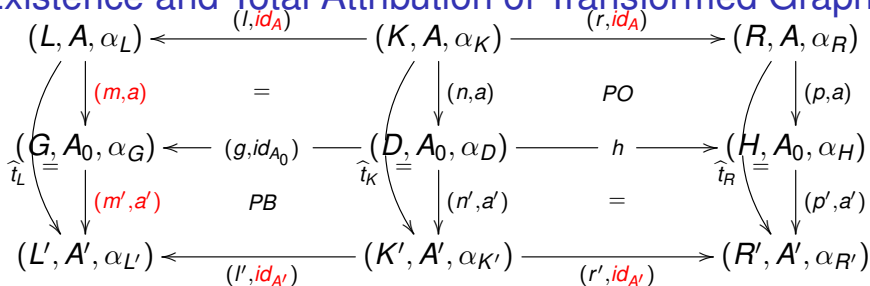
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## Problematic Examples



Case where a non-attributed element in  $\widehat{K}'$ ,  $n'$ , has no antecedent in  $\widehat{K}$ .

# Existence and Total Attribution of Transformed Graphs



## Proposition

If the following conditions hold

- $\alpha_L, \alpha_{L'}, \alpha_R$  and  $\alpha_{R'}$  are **total** labeling functions
- The morphism  $\hat{t}_K$  is **strict** and **injective** on non-attributed items
- $G$  is **completely** attributed
- $\forall n \in G$ , if  $\exists n_{K'} \in K'$  such that  $n_{K'}$  is not attributed and  $m'(n) = l'(n_{K'})$ , then  $\exists n_K \in K$  with  $n = m(l(n_K))$  and  $n_{K'} = t_K(n_K)$ .

**Then** the graph  $H$  exists and is completely attributed

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# Termgraph Rewriting

## Motivation

- Handling **Data-structure rewriting** including **cyclic** data-structures with **pointers** such as circular lists, doubly-linked lists, etc.
- Data-structures are more complex than terms (**Cycles**, **Sharing**)
- Difficult to encode efficiently using terms
- Usually described by pointers ( $\Rightarrow$  **pointer rewriting**)
- Formally described as **termgraphs**  
Informally: termgraph = term with cycles and sharing

# Termgraph Rewriting

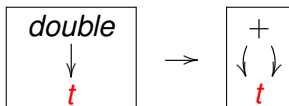
## Motivation

$$\begin{aligned}0 + x &\rightarrow x \\s(x) + y &\rightarrow s(x + y) \\double(x) &\rightarrow x + x\end{aligned}$$

Term rewrite systems constitute a very well established domain with several results : Confluence, Termination, Strategies, Proof methods (equational reasoning, induction) etc.

However, subterm sharing, as in termgraph, does not preserve classical properties of term rewriting such as, e.g., the confluence property.

$$double(x) \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} + \\ \swarrow \searrow \\ x \end{array}$$



# Sharing Subterms (information) and Term Rewriting

Consider the following rules:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} f(a, b) & \rightarrow & c \\ a & \rightarrow & b \end{array}$$

Sharing does not preserve properties of tree (term) rewriting !

Term rewrite derivation:  $f(a, a) \rightarrow f(a, b) \rightarrow c$

Termgraph rewrite derivation:  $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \rightarrow & f \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow & & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ a & & b \end{array} \not\rightarrow$

[Plump 99] survey on rewriting with “dags”.

# Termgraphs

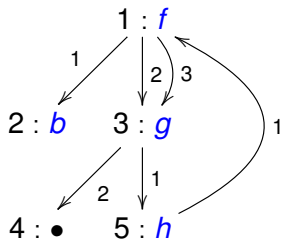
[Barendregt et al. 87]

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Let  $\Omega$  be a set of operation symbols.

A *term-graph*  $t$  over  $\Omega$  is defined by:

- a set of **nodes**  $\mathcal{N}_t$ ,
- a subset of **labeled nodes**  $\mathcal{N}_t^\Omega \subseteq \mathcal{N}_t$ ,
- a **labeling function**  $\mathcal{L}_t : \mathcal{N}_t^\Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ ,
- a **successor function**  $\mathcal{S}_t : \mathcal{N}_t^\Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_t^*$ ,



# Termgraphs

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Let  $\Omega$  be a set of operation symbols and  $\mathcal{F}$  a set of feature symbols.  
A *term-graph*  $t$  over  $\Omega$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined by:

- a set of **nodes**  $\mathcal{N}_t$ ,
- a set of **edges**  $E_t$
- a subset of **labeled nodes**  $\mathcal{N}_t^\Omega \subseteq \mathcal{N}_t$ ,
- a **node labeling function**  $\mathcal{L}_t^n : \mathcal{N}_t^\Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ ,
- an **edge labeling function**  $\mathcal{L}_t^e : E_t \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$
- a **source function**  $\mathcal{S}_t : E_t \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_t$ ,
- a **target function**  $\mathcal{T}_t : E_t \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_t$ ,



# Algorithmic approach

[Barendregt et al. 87]

Shape of a rule:

$$L \rightarrow R$$

where  $L$  and  $R$  are rooted term-graphs.

A rule can be defined as one graph together with two roots

$$(L + R, r_1, r_2)$$

where  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are the roots of  $L$  and  $R$  respectively

Let  $\rho$  be the rule  $(L + R, r_1, r_2)$

We say that  $G$  rewrites to  $H$  using the rule  $\rho$  if

- $L$  **matches** a subgraph of  $G$  ( $h : L \rightarrow G \upharpoonright_n$ )
- (**build** phase) Construct graph  $G_1 = G + h(R)$
- (**redirection** phase)  $G_2 = [h(r_1) \gg h(r_2)]G_1$
- (**garbage** collection phase)  $H = G_2 \upharpoonright_{\text{root}}$

**A cumbersome definition, hard to deal with in practice!**

# Rewrite Rules with actions

Shape of a rewrite rule :

$$[L \mid C] \rightarrow R$$

- $L$  is a term-graph pattern
- $C$  is a node **constraint**,  $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n (\alpha_i \neq \beta_i)$ .
- $R$  is a sequence of **actions**  $a_1; a_2; \dots; a_n$

# Actions

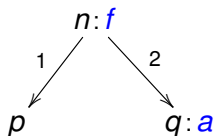
We consider three kinds of actions :

- **Node definition**  $\alpha : f(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$
- **Edge redirection**  $\alpha \gg_i \beta$
- **Global redirection**  $\alpha \gg \beta$

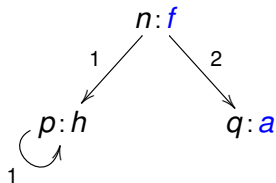
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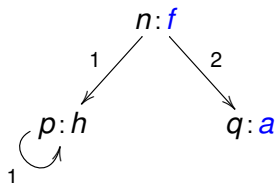
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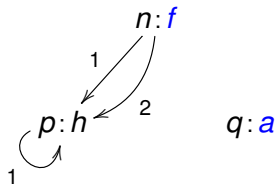
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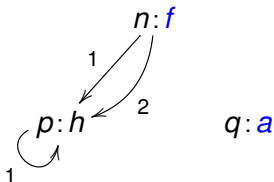
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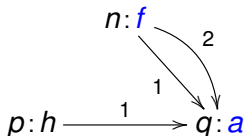
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- Let  $t_3 = p \gg q[t_2] = n: f(q, q); p: h(q)$



# Rewrite Step

Let  $t$  be a termgraph

Let  $\rho$  be a rewrite rule  $[L \mid C] \rightarrow R$

$t$  rewrites to  $s$  at node  $\alpha$ ,  $t \rightarrow_{\alpha} s$  iff:

- $\exists m : L \rightarrow t$  a homomorphism
- $m(\text{root}_L) = \alpha$
- $\alpha$  is reachable from  $\text{root}_t$
- $m(C)$  holds
- $s = m(R)[t]$

# Termgraph Rewrite Systems (tGRS)

## Example

Length of a circular list :

$$r : \text{length}(p) \rightarrow r : \text{length}'(p, p)$$

$$r : \text{length}'(p_1 : \text{cons}(n, p_2), p_2) \rightarrow r : s(0)$$

$$[r : \text{length}'(p_1 : \text{cons}(n, p_2), p_3) \mid p_2 \not\approx p_3] \rightarrow r : s(q); q : \text{length}'(p_2, p_3)$$

**Remark:** term rewrite systems are tGRS's.



# Termgraph Rewrite Systems

## Example

In-situ list reversal :

$$o : \text{reverse}(p) \rightarrow o : \text{rev}(p, \text{nil})$$

$$o : \text{rev}(p_1 : \text{cons}(n, \text{nil}), p_2) \rightarrow p_1 \ggg_2 p_2; o \ggg p_1$$

$$o : \text{rev}(p_1 : \text{cons}(n, p_2 : \text{cons}(m, p_3), p_4) \rightarrow p_1 \ggg_2 p_4; o \ggg_1 p_2; o \ggg_2 p_1$$

Visual Programming would help!

# DPO approach of rewrite rules with actions

A categorical approach can be found in [TERMGRAPH 06, ENTCS07, RTA07]

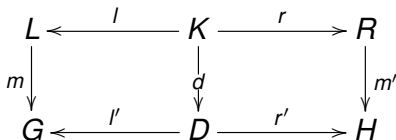


Figure: Double pushout: a rewrite step ( $G \rightarrow H$ )

Redirections of edges (pointers) are handled by  $K = \text{disconnection}(L, E, N)$  and the morphisms  $l$  and  $r$ .

**Remark:** Morphisms  $l$  and  $r$  are not injective!  $D$  is not unique!

# Confluence

$$f(x) \rightarrow x$$

$$g(x) \rightarrow x$$

The following term-graph



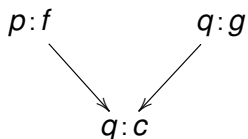
rewrites to



# Confluence

$$\alpha : f(\beta : c) \rightarrow \beta : a; \alpha \gg \beta$$

$$\alpha : g(\beta : c) \rightarrow \beta : b; \alpha \gg \beta$$



The label of node  $q$  may end as  $q : a$  or  $q : b$

# Computing with non-confluent orthogonal Termgraph Rewrite Systems

How to evaluate the following termgraph ?

- $addlast(length(n : [1, 2]), n)$
- Two normal forms
  - ▶  $[1, 2, 2]$  (evaluate *addlast* after *length*)
  - ▶  $[1, 2, 3]$  (evaluate *length* after *addlast*)

# Termgraphs with Priority

[PPDP06][RTA07][RTA08]

- Endow Termgraphs with priorities  $(G, <_G)$  to express which node should be evaluated first
  - ▶  $m_1 : \text{addlast}(m_2 : \text{length}(n : [1, 2]), n); m_1 < m_2$
- Priorities should not be a total order (stay declarative)
- Which nodes should be ordered?
- Solution: Order only nodes producing a “side-effect”

# Strategies

A **strategy**  $\phi$  is a partial function which takes a rooted termgraph  $t$  and returns a node (position)  $n$  and a rule  $R$ ,

$$\phi(t) = (n, R)$$

such that the termgraph  $t$  can be reduced at node  $n$  using the rule  $R$ ,

$$t \rightarrow_n t'$$

# Needed Nodes

Let  $\phi$  be a rewrite strategy.

Let  $\phi(t) = (p, R)$ .

The node  $p$  is **needed** iff for all derivations

$$t \rightarrow_{\beta_1} t_1 \rightarrow_{\beta_2} \dots t_{n-1} \rightarrow_{\beta_n} t_n$$

such that  $t_n$  is a value, there exists  $i \in [1..n]$  s.t.  $\beta_i = p$



# Inductively sequential Term Rewrite Systems

- Constitute a subclass of TRSs for which efficient rewrite strategies are available [Antoy 92]
- Are as expressive as Strongly Sequential TRSs
- Are defined by means of data-structures called **Definitional trees**

# Definitional Trees -case of terms-

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the following TRS

$$f(k, nil) \rightarrow R1$$

$$f(0, cons(x, l)) \rightarrow R2$$

$$f(succ(n), cons(x, l)) \rightarrow R3$$

A definitional tree of operator  $f$  is a hierarchical structure whose leaves are the rules defining  $f$ .

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## -case of termgraphs-

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## A Rewrite strategy $\phi$

Consider the following definitional tree  $T$  of the operation  $g$  :

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$\phi(1 : g(2 : g(3 : g(\mathit{nil}, p), q), 4 : g(\mathit{nil}, o))))$

$= \phi(2 : g(3 : g(\mathit{nil}, p), q))$

$= \phi(3 : g(\mathit{nil}, p))$

$= (3, Rule1)$

# Naive extension of TRS's

Contrary to term rewriting, Definitional trees are not enough to ensure the neededness of positions computed by the strategy  $\phi$ , in the context of term-graph rewriting.

**Proposition:** Let  $SP = \langle \Omega, \mathcal{R} \rangle$  be tGRS such that  $\Omega$  is constructor-based and the rules of every defined operation are stored in a definitional tree. Let  $t$  be a rooted termgraph. Then,

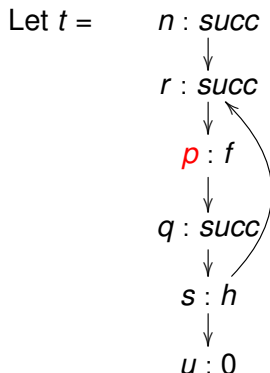
- 1 if  $\phi(t) = (p, R)$ , the node  $p$  is not needed in general.
- 2 if  $\phi(t)$  is not defined,  $g$  can still have a constructor normal form.

# Counter-examples

$$r : f(p : 0) \rightarrow r \ggg p$$

$$r : h(p : 0, q : \text{succ}(n : \bullet)) \rightarrow q \ggg p$$

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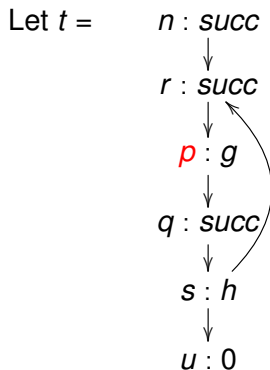
$$\phi(t) = (p, r : f(p : \text{succ}(p' : \bullet)) \rightarrow r \ggg p).$$

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$\phi(t)$  is not defined!.

However, the termgraph  $t$  rewrites to  $n : succ(u : 0)$ .

# Inductively Sequential Termgraph Rewrite Systems

Let  $SP = \langle \Omega, \mathcal{R} \rangle$  be a tGRS.

$SP$  is called **inductively sequential** iff

- The rules of every defined operation can be stored in a definitional tree and
- for all rules  $[L \mid C] \rightarrow r$  in  $\mathcal{R}$ , for all global (respectively, local) redirections of the form  $p \gg q$  (respectively,  $p \gg_i q$  for some  $i$ ), occurring in the right-hand side  $r$ ,  $p = \text{Root}_L$ .



# Main Properties of Strategy $\Phi$

In presence of Inductively Sequential Termgraph Rewrite Systems

- The positions computed by  $\Phi$  are needed
- $\Phi$  is c-normalizing
- $\Phi$  is c-hyper-normalizing
- Derivations computed by  $\Phi$  have minimal length

# Confluence

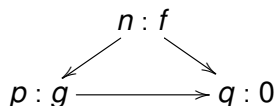
Inductively sequential tGRS are not confluent!

$$f(p : \bullet, p) \rightarrow 0$$

$$[f(p : \bullet, q : \bullet) \mid p \neq q] \rightarrow 1$$

$$r : g(q : \bullet) \rightarrow r \gg q$$

Let  $t =$



There are two different derivations starting from  $t$  :

$$t \rightarrow_n 1$$

$$t \rightarrow_p f(q : 0, q) \rightarrow_n 0$$

# Admissible termgraphs

[JICSLP98]

$\Omega$  is constructor-based, i.e.  $\Omega = D \cup C$  and  $D \cap C = \emptyset$

$D$  is a set of defined operations

$C$  is a set of constructors

A termgraph is **admissible** if none of its cycles includes a defined operation.

$n: succ(n)$  is an admissible termgraph

$n: +(n, n)$  and  $n: tail(n)$  are not admissible

# Admissible termgraphs

The set of admissible termgraphs is not closed under rewriting

$$n : f(m) \rightarrow q : g(n); n \gg m$$

Let  $\Omega = D \cup C$  with  $C = \{0, succ\}$  and  $D = \{f, g\}$

$$n_1 : f(m_1 : 0) \rightarrow q_1 : g(q_1)$$

# Admissible Inductively sequential Termgraph Rewrite Systems

Let  $SP = \langle \Omega, \mathcal{R} \rangle$  be an inductively sequential tGRS.  $SP$  is called admissible iff for all rules  $[\pi \mid C] \rightarrow r$  in  $\mathcal{R}$  the following conditions are satisfied

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- for all actions of the form  $\alpha : f(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$ , for all  $i \in 1..n$ ,  $\beta_i \neq \text{Root}_\pi$
- the set of actions of the form  $\alpha : f(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$ , appearing in  $r$ , do not construct a cycle including a defined operation.
- Constraint  $C$  includes disequations of the form  $p \neq q$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are labeled by constructor symbols.

# Admissible Inductively sequential Termgraph Rewrite Systems

[ICGT08][JICSLP98]

In presence of Admissible Inductively sequential Termgraph Rewrite Systems

- The set of admissible termgraphs is closed under the rewrite relation defined by admissible rules.
- $\Phi$  computes needed positions
- Admissible termgraphs admit unique normal forms

# Narrowing

Lifting optimal rewrite strategies to narrowing in the case of Admissible termgraph rewrite systems

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the following TRS

$$\begin{aligned} \leq & (0, y) \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \leq & (s(x), 0) \rightarrow \text{false} \\ \leq & (\text{succ}(x), \text{succ}(y)) \rightarrow \leq(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

A definitional tree of operator  $\leq$  is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \leq & (i, j) \\ & \leq (0, j) \rightarrow \text{true} \\ & \leq (s(i_1), j) \\ & \quad \leq (s(i_1), 0) \rightarrow \text{false} \\ & \quad \leq (s(i_1), s(j_1)) \rightarrow \leq(i_1, j_1) \end{aligned}$$

## Definitional Trees -case of terms-

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How to narrow the expression  $\leq(i, j + k)$ ?

$$\leq(i, j + k) \rightsquigarrow_{j \mapsto 0} \leq(i, k) \rightsquigarrow_{i \mapsto 0} \text{true}$$

**Remark:** The assignment  $j \mapsto 0$  is **useless!**

The use of definitional trees prevents non necessary assignments and develops  $\leq(i, j + k) \rightsquigarrow_{i \mapsto 0} \text{true}$

**Key idea:** Get rid of most general unifiers. Use of definitional trees to make a traversal of term (graphs) and compute only necessary.



# Some Results

Needed Term narrowing [POPL94][JACM2000]

Needed Graph Narrowing [JICSLP98]

Needed Collapsing Narrowing [Gratra 2000]

Narrowing-based algorithm for data-structure rewriting [ICGT06]

- **Goal**

$o : \text{equal}(p : \text{length}(q), s(s(0))) = \text{true}$

- **Solution** : a circular list of length two

$[q : \text{cons}(n_1, r : \text{cons}(n_2, q)) \mid q \neq r]$

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# Partial Correctness à la Hoare of Graph Rewrite Systems



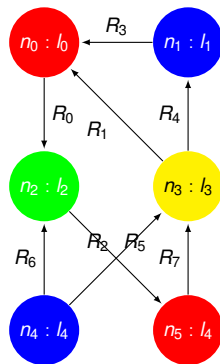
To be proven:  $\{Pre(input)\} \text{ Program } \{Post(output)\}$

- **Program** is a graph or model transformation system
- **input** and **output** are graphs or models
- *Pre* and *Post* are formulas, of a given logic  $\mathcal{L}$ , over the inputs and the outputs

# Logically Decorated Graphs

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a set of formulas, a logically decorated graph  $G$  is a tuple  $(N, E, \lambda_N, \lambda_E, s, t)$  where:

- $N$  is a set of *nodes*,
- $E$  is a set of *edges*,
- $\lambda_N : N \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{L}}$  is a *node labeling function*,
- $\lambda_E : E \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is an *edge labeling function*
- source and target functions:  $s : E \rightarrow N$  and  $t : E \rightarrow N$



In this talk, the set  $\mathcal{L}$  consists of **description logic (DL)** formulas.

# Why considering Description Logics (DLs)?

- DLs constitute a formal basis of **knowledge representation** languages.
- DLs provide logical basis for **ontologies**.  
(E.g., the web ontology language OWL is based on DLs)
- **Reasoning** problems for DLs are **decidable** (in general)

# DL Syntax

a DL syntax allows one to define:

- **Concept** names, which are equivalent to classical first-order logic unary predicates,
- **Role** names, which are equivalent to binary predicates and
- **Individuals**, which are equivalent to classical constants.

There are various DLs in the literature, they mainly differ by the logical operators they offer to construct concept and role expressions or axioms.

## DL syntax: Concepts and roles

Let  $\mathcal{C}_0$  (resp.  $\mathcal{R}_0$  and  $\mathcal{O}$ ) be a set of atomic concepts (resp. atomic roles and nominals).

Let  $c_0 \in \mathcal{C}_0$ ,  $r_0 \in \mathcal{R}_0$ ,  $o \in \mathcal{O}$ , and  $n$  an integer.

The set of concepts  $C$  and roles  $R$  are defined by:

$C := \top \mid c_0 \mid \exists R.C \mid \neg C \mid C \vee C$   
|  $o$  (nominals,  $\mathcal{O}$ )  
|  $\exists R.Self$  (self loops,  $\mathcal{S}elf$ )  
|  $(< n R C)$  (counting quantifiers,  $\mathcal{Q}$ )

$R := r_0$   
|  $U$  (universal role,  $\mathcal{U}$ )  
|  $R^-$  (inverse role,  $\mathcal{I}$ )

Examples of DL logics:  $ALC$ ,  $ALCUO$ ,  $ALCUI$ , ...

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- ③ Only "private" nodes can have access to "private" nodes. Public "nodes" cannot have access to "private" nodes:

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**DL formula (ALCUI):**  $\forall U. \text{Private} \Rightarrow \forall \text{Has\_access}^- . \text{Private}$

# Graph Transformation: Considered Rules



The considered Graph Rewriting rules are of the form  $L \rightarrow R$  where:

- $L$  is a graph
- $R$  is a sequence of elementary actions

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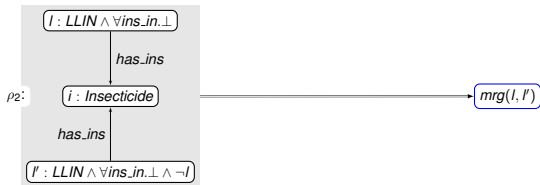
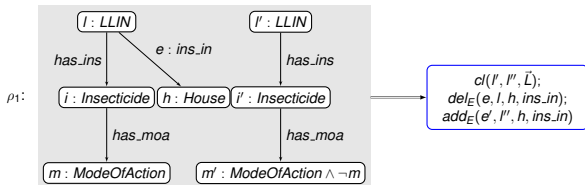
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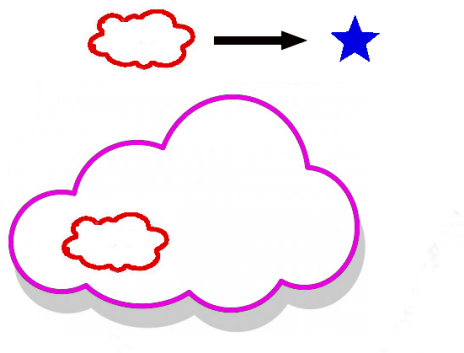
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- a *clone action*  $cl(i, j, L_{in}, L_{out}, L_{l_{in}}, L_{l_{out}}, L_{l_{loop}})$  where  $i$  and  $j$  are nodes and  $L_{in}$ ,  $L_{out}$ ,  $L_{l_{in}}$ ,  $L_{l_{out}}$  and  $L_{l_{loop}}$  are subsets of  $\mathcal{R}_0$ . It clones a node  $i$  by creating a new node  $j$  and connects  $j$  to the rest of a host graph according to different information given in the parameters  $L_{in}$ ,  $L_{out}$ ,  $L_{l_{in}}$ ,  $L_{l_{out}}$ ,  $L_{l_{loop}}$ .

# Graph Rewrite Systems: Example



# Match

- To be able to apply rules, we need to define when they can be applied.



## Definition: Match

A *match*  $h$  between a lhs  $L$  and a graph  $G$  is a pair of functions  $h = (h^N, h^E)$ , with  $h^N : N^L \rightarrow N^G$  and  $h^E : E^L \rightarrow E^G$  such that:

- 1  $\forall e \in E^L, s^G(h^E(e)) = h^N(s^L(e))$
- 2  $\forall e \in E^L, t^G(h^E(e)) = h^N(t^L(e))$
- 3  $\forall n \in N^L, \forall c \in \lambda_N^L(n), h^N(n) \models c$
- 4  $\forall e \in E^L, \lambda_E^G(h^E(e)) = \lambda_E^L(e)$

**Remark:** The third condition says that for every node,  $n$ , of the lhs, the node to which it is associated,  $h(n)$ , in  $G$  has to satisfy every concept in  $\lambda_N^L(n)$ . This condition clearly expresses additional **negative and positive conditions** which are added to the “structural” pattern matching.

# Rewrite Step and Rewrite Derivation

## Rewrite step

Let  $\rho = L \rightarrow R$  be a rule and  $G$  and  $G'$  be two graphs.

$G$  rewrites into  $G'$  using rule  $\rho$ , noted  $G \rightarrow_{\rho} G'$  iff:

- There exists a match  $h$  from the left-hand side  $L$  to  $G$ , and
- $G \rightsquigarrow_{h(R)} G'$ . I.e.,  $G'$  is the result of performing  $h(R)$  on  $G$

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Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be graph transformation system and  $G$  and  $G'$  be two graphs.

A *rewrite derivation* from  $G$  to  $G'$ , noted  $G \rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}} G'$ , is a sequence  $G \rightarrow_{\rho_0} G_1 \rightarrow_{\rho_1} \dots \rightarrow_{\rho_n} G'$  such that  $\forall i. \rho_i \in \mathcal{R}$ .



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# Specification and Correctness

A **specification** *spec* is a triple  $(Pre, strat, Post)$  where:

- *Pre* is a DL formula called the *precondition*
- *strat* is a strategy with respect to a graph transformation system  $\mathcal{R}$
- *Post* is a DL formula called the *postcondition*.

A specification  $spec = (Pre, strat, Post)$  is said to be **correct** iff:

- for all graphs  $G$ ,
- for all graphs  $G'$  such that  $G \rightarrow_{strat} G'$
- if  $G \models Pre$  then  $G' \models Post$

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# Substitutions

## Definition: Substitution

A *substitution*, written  $[a]$ , is associated to each elementary action  $a$ , such that for all graphs  $G$  and DL formulas  $\phi$ ,  
 $(G \models \phi[a]) \Leftrightarrow (G' \models \phi)$  where  $G'$  is obtained from  $G$  after application of action  $a$ , i.e.,  $G \rightsquigarrow_a G'$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \rightsquigarrow_a & G' \\ \phi[a] & & \phi \end{array}$$

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Action:  $Add_E(e, a, b, R)$ ;

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# Closure Under Substitutions

A logic  $\mathcal{L}$  is said to be **closed under substitution** iff for every formula  $\phi \in \mathcal{L}$ , every substitution  $[a]$ ,  $\phi[a] \in \mathcal{L}$ .

# DLs and Closure Under Substitutions

**Theorem:** The description logics  $ALCUO$ ,  $ALCUOI$ ,  $ALCQUOI$ ,  $ALCUOSelf$ ,  $ALCUOISelf$ , and  $ALCQUOISelf$  are closed under substitutions.

**Theorem:** The description logics  $ALCQUO$  and  $ALCQUOSelf$  are not closed under substitutions.

# Generating Weakest Preconditions (continued)

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## Definition: Application Condition

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# Verification Conditions

- $vc(\rho, Q) = \top$
- $vc(s_0; s_1, Q) = vc(s_0, wp(s_1, Q)) \wedge vc(s_1, Q)$
- $vc(s_0 \oplus s_1, Q) = vc(s_0, Q) \wedge vc(s_1, Q)$
- $vc(s^*, Q) =$   
 $(inv_s \wedge \neg App(s) \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (inv_s \wedge App(s) \Rightarrow wp(s, inv_s)) \wedge vc(s, inv_s)$

# Soundness of the verification

Let  $spec = (Pre, strat, Post)$  be a specification. We call **correctness formula** the formula  
 $correct(spec) = (Pre \Rightarrow wp(strat, Post)) \wedge vc(strat, Post)$ .

## Theorem:

If  $correct(spec)$  is valid, then for all graphs  $G, G'$  such that  $G \rightarrow_{strat} G'$ ,  $G \models Pre$  implies  $G' \models Post$ .



# Decidability of the verification

## Theorem:

Let  $spec = (Pre, strat, Post)$  be a specification using one of the following DL logics  $ALCUO$ ,  $ALCUOI$ ,  $ALCQUOI$ ,  $ALCUOSelf$ ,  $ALCUOISelf$ , and  $ALCQUOISelf$ . Then, the correctness of  $spec$  is decidable.

## Other considered decidable logics

- Extension of the dynamic logic PDL: C2PDL
- First-order Logic : fragments  $\exists^*\forall^*$  and  $\mathcal{C}^2$

# Conclusion

- Conferences and workshops: ICGT, ICMT, GCM, etc.
- Various Algebraic Approaches: DPO, SPO, SqPO, AGREE, PBPO, etc.
- Various Implementations: AGG, GROOVE, GP, PORGY, PROGRES, etc.
- General Framework: (Weak) Adhesive (HLR) Categories
- Other issues: Parallelism, Verification Techniques, Termination...