

Hierarchy of pushdown graphs

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The hierarchy of pushdown graphs

recursive transition graphs

Corresponding hierarchies of
languages, terms, ordinals, infinite words

higher order recursive schemes

Graphs

alphabet L of edge labels

alphabet C of vertex labels: colours

Graph :

$$G \subseteq V \times L \times V \cup C \times V$$

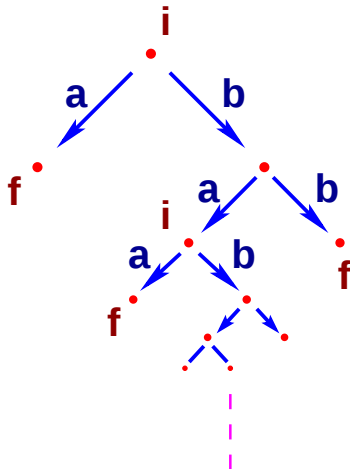
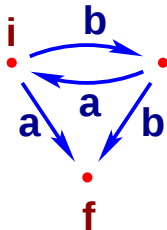
on an arbitrary countable set V of vertices

A hierarchy of graph families 2002

Two basic graph operations:

unfolding and path functions

Unfolding



Path functions

set Exp of path expressions

$$C \cup L \cup \{\varepsilon\} \subseteq \text{Exp}$$

for any $u, v \in \text{Exp}$

$$u^{-1}, u \cdot v, u^+, \neg u, u \vee v, u \wedge v \in \text{Exp}$$

path $s \xrightarrow[G]{u} t$ for $u \in \text{Exp}$

$$s \xrightarrow{a} t \quad \text{for} \quad (s,a,t) \in G$$

$$s \xrightarrow{c} t \quad \text{for} \quad s = t \wedge (c,s) \in G$$

$$s \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} t \quad \text{for} \quad s = t$$

$$s \xrightarrow{u^{-1}} t \quad \text{for} \quad t \xrightarrow{u} s$$

$$s \xrightarrow{u \cdot v} t \quad \text{for} \quad \exists r (s \xrightarrow{u} r \wedge r \xrightarrow{v} t)$$

$$s \xrightarrow{u^+} t \quad \text{for} \quad s (\xrightarrow{u})^+ t$$

$$s \xrightarrow{\neg u} t \quad \text{for} \quad \neg (s \xrightarrow{u} t)$$

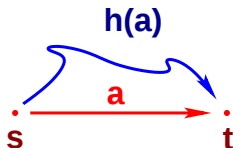
$$s \xrightarrow{u \vee v} t \quad \text{for} \quad s \xrightarrow{u} t \vee s \xrightarrow{v} t$$

For instance $s \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \wedge a \cdot a^{-1}} t$ means that $s = t \wedge s \xrightarrow{a}$

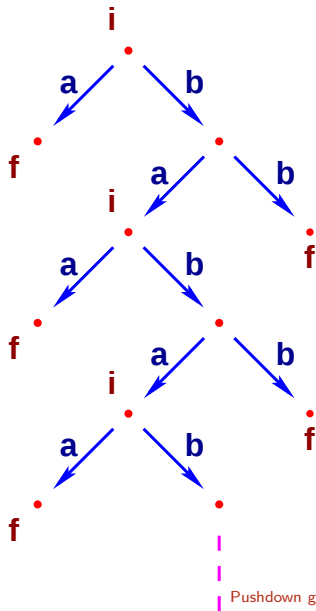
Path function $h : L \cup C \longrightarrow \text{Exp}$

applied by inverse on a graph G

$$h^{-1}(G) = \{ (s,a,t) \mid s \xrightarrow[G]{h(a)} t \} \cup \{ (c,s) \mid s \xrightarrow[G]{h(c)} s \}$$

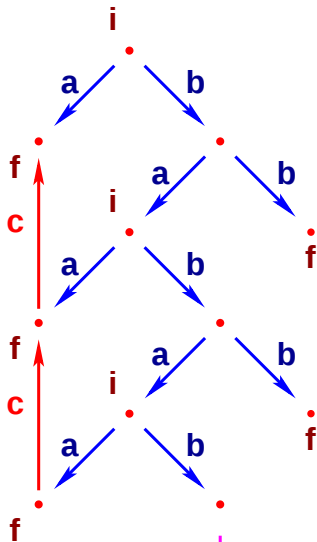


Inverse path function



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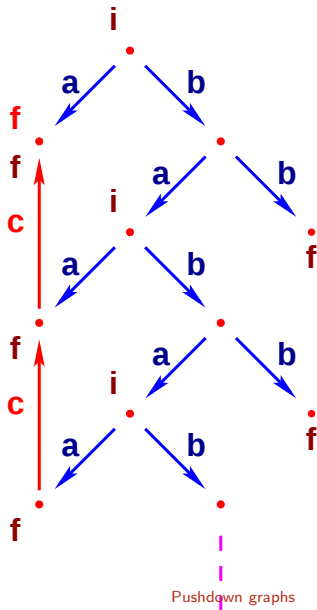
$$c \longrightarrow a^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1}a$$



Inverse path function

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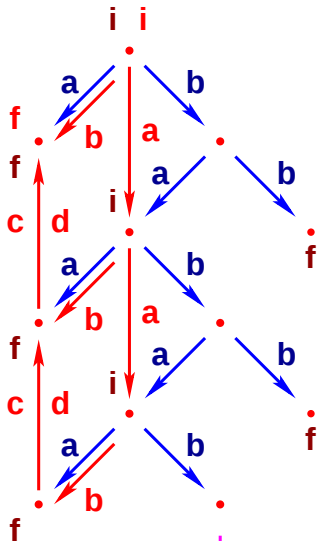
$$f \longrightarrow a^{-1}(i + \text{not}(a^{-1}a))a$$

$$a \longrightarrow ba$$

$$b \longrightarrow af$$

$$d \longrightarrow a^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1}a$$

$$i \longrightarrow i + \text{not}(a^{-1}a)$$



Inverse path function

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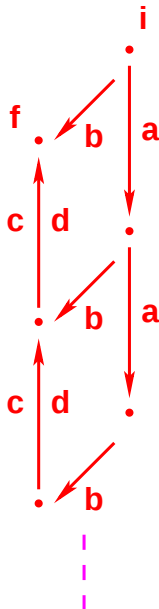
$$f \longrightarrow a^{-1}(i + \text{not}(a^{-1}a))a$$

$$a \longrightarrow b a$$

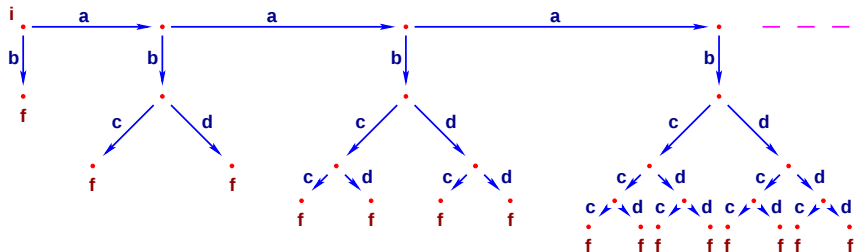
$$b \longrightarrow a f$$

$$d \longrightarrow a^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1}a$$

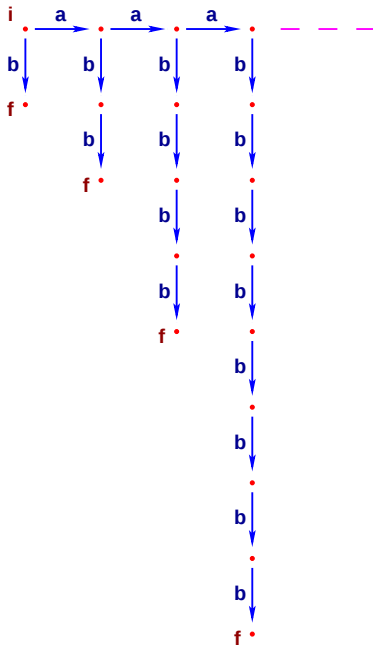
$$i \longrightarrow i + \text{not}(a^{-1}a)$$



Unfolding



Inverse path function



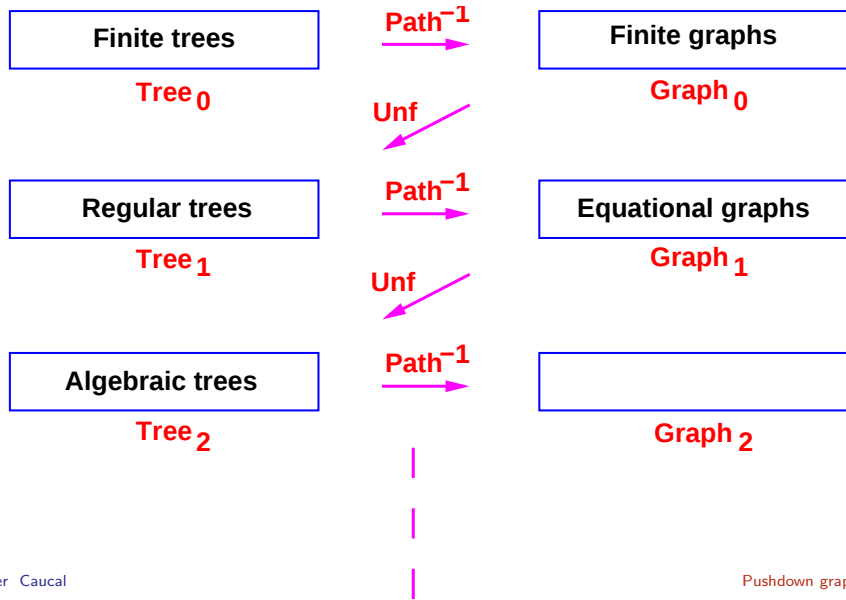
A hierarchy of graph families

Tree_0 = family of finite trees

Graph_n = $\text{Path}^{-1}(\text{Tree}_n)$

Tree_{n+1} = $\text{Unf}(\text{Graph}_n)$

A hierarchy of graph families



VR-equational graphs Courcelle 1989

Same hierarchy

Path functions = regular substitutions

Exp = set of regular expressions

a^{-1} for $a \in L$; $u \cdot v$, u^+ , $u \vee v$ for $u, v \in \text{Exp}$

Path^{-1} = monadic interpretations

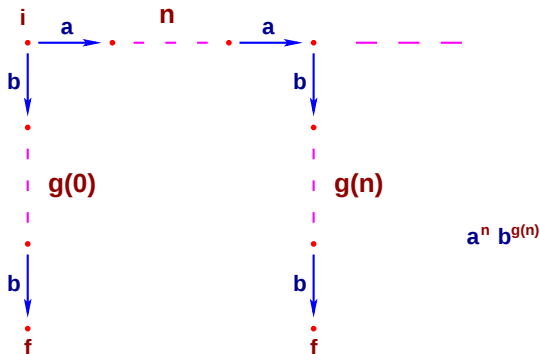
Sub-hierarchy of finite degree graphs

Path functions = finite substitutions

Didier Caucal graph_1 = HR-equational graphs Courcelle 89

Pushdown graphs

$\text{Tree}(g)$ for some integer mapping g



$$\text{Tree}(2^n) \in \text{Graph}_2$$

$$\text{Tree}(n!) , \quad \text{Tree}(2^{2^n}) \in \text{Graph}_3$$

$$\text{Tree}(2 \uparrow n) \notin \text{hierarchy}$$

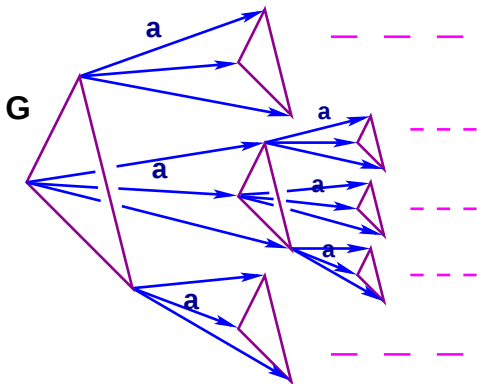
Generators

For each level n

find $\text{gen}_n \in \text{Graph}_n$ such that

$$\text{Graph}_n = \text{Path}^{-1}(\text{gen}_n)$$

Graph iteration Shelah, Stupp 1975

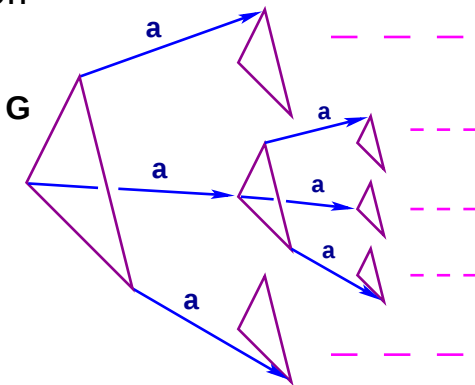


Proposition with Knapik 2011

The iteration operation preserves Graph_n

for each $n > 0$

Tree-graph



Proposition Colcombet 04, Carayol, Wöhrle 03

$$\text{TreeGraph}(\text{Graph}_n) \subset \text{Graph}_{n+1}$$

Theorem Muchnik 1984, Walukiewicz 1996

*The tree-graph operation preserves
the decidability of the monadic theory*

Corollary Courcelle Walukiewicz 1998

*The unfolding operation preserves
the decidability of the monadic theory*

Corollary

*Any graph of the hierarchy has
a decidable monadic theory*

Generators

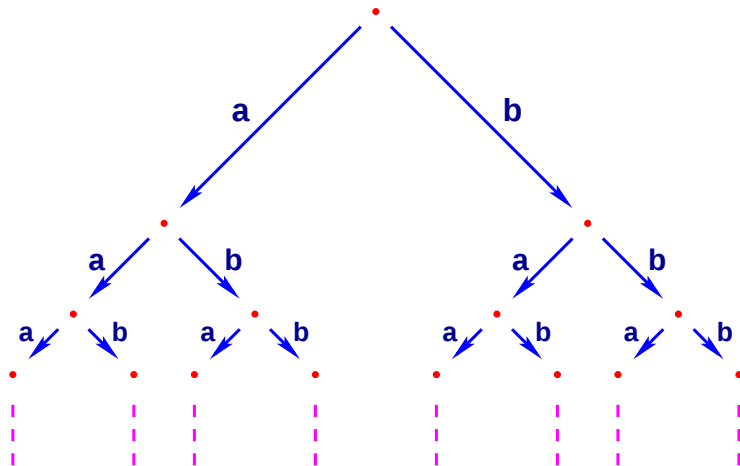
$$\text{Graph}_{n+1}$$

$$= \text{Path}^{-1}(\text{Unf}(\text{Graph}_n \cap \text{Det} \cap \text{CoDet}))$$

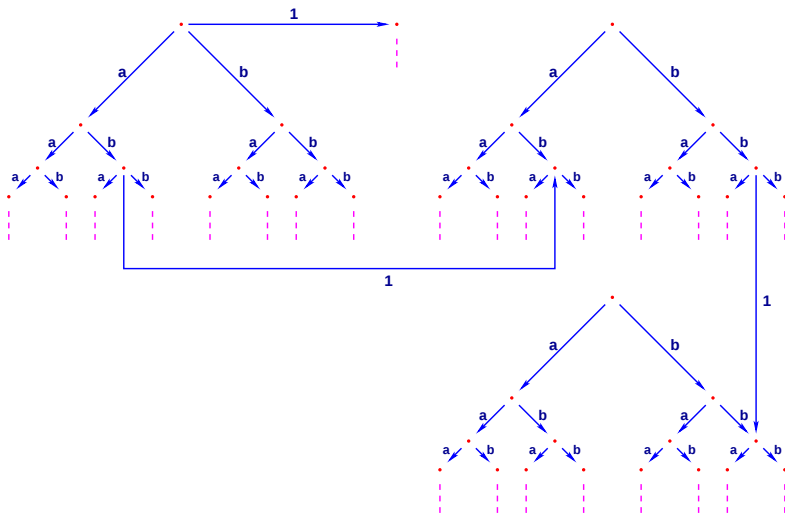
$$= \text{Path}^{-1}(\text{gen}_{n+1})$$

$$\text{gen}_{n+1} \in \text{Tree}_{n+1} \cap \text{Det}$$

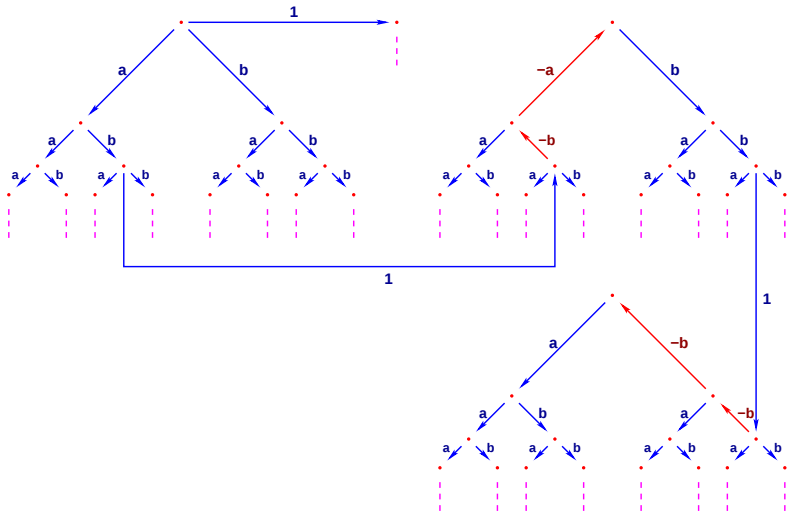
Tree generator at level 1



Graph generator at level 2



Tree generator at level 2



Higher order pushdown automata

Theorem Carayol 2006

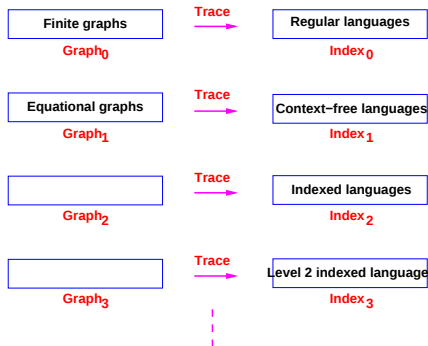
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Graph}_n &= \varepsilon\text{-closure}((\text{Pda}_n)|\text{Reg}) \\ &= \bigcup_i W_i (U_i \xrightarrow{a_i} V_i)\end{aligned}$$

pusdown hierarchy

Hierarchies of

- _ languages
- _ ordinals
- _ infinite words
- _ terms

A hierarchy of languages



Indexed languages Aho 1968

The hierarchy of indexed languages Maslov 1974

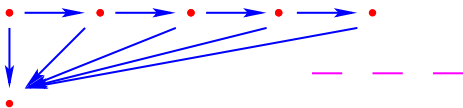
Proposition Maslov 1976

For each $n \geq 0$, the language family Index_n is closed under

- _ intersection by any regular language*
- _ inverse regular substitution*
- _ Index_n substitution*

The hierarchy on ordinals

Ordinal $\omega + 1$: transitive closure of

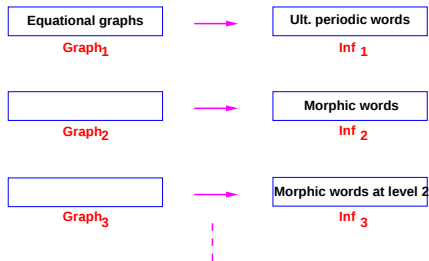


Theorem Braud 2009

For each n , the ordinals in Graph_n are the ordinals $< \omega \uparrow (n+1)$

Graph_ω ? ϵ_0 ? MSO ?

The hierarchy on infinite words



Level 2 morphic words: Champernowne number

0 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 ...

The Liouville number:

$$\sum_{i \geq 1} 10^{-i!} = , 11000100000000000000000001 \dots$$

Questions

- _ characterize morphic words at level 2
- _ for $\alpha = 0, u$ with $u \in \text{Inf}_n$ and $n > 0$

is α rational or transcendental number ?

is $\sqrt{2}$ in the hierarchy ?

The hierarchy on terms

By first order substitutions

Theorem 2002

$$\text{Tree}_{n+1} \cap \text{Term} = \text{Subst}_n$$

Courcelle, Knapik 2002

$$\text{Subst}_0 = \text{regular terms}$$

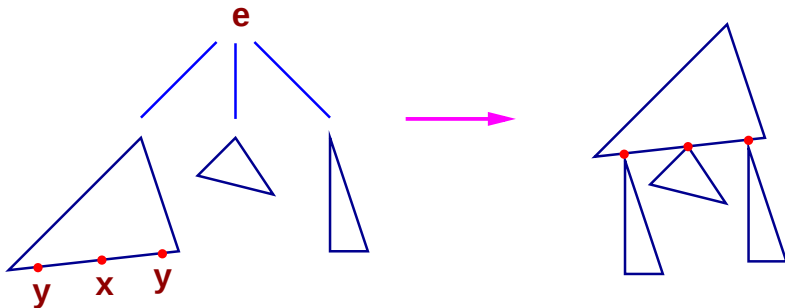
$$\text{Subst}_{n+1} = \bigcup S_{e,u} (\text{Subst}_n)$$

u word of distinct constants

e symbol of arity $|u|+1$

First order substitution (evaluation)

function **e** constant word **x y**



Finite terms

$$S_{e,u}(e \ t_0 \ t_1 \ \dots \ t_n) \\ = S_{e,u}(t_0) [S_{e,u}(t_1)/u(1), \dots, S_{e,u}(t_n)/u(n)]$$

$$S_{e,u}(f \ t_1 \ \dots \ t_m) = f \ S_{e,u}(t_1) \ \dots S_{e,u}(t_m)$$

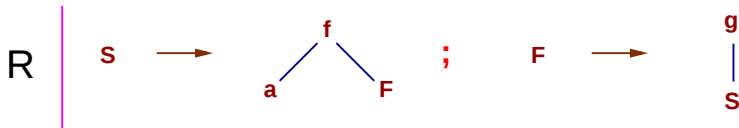
Infinite terms

$$S_{e,u}(t) = \sup_n S_{e,u}(t_n^\Omega) \quad \text{without } \Omega$$

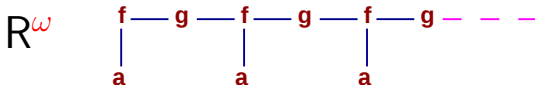
The hierarchy on terms

By higher order schemes Damm 1982

Scheme at level 0

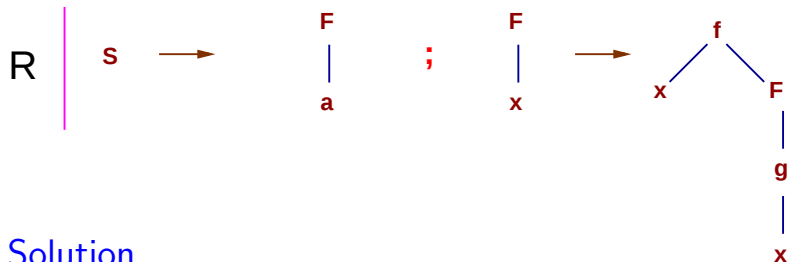


Solution

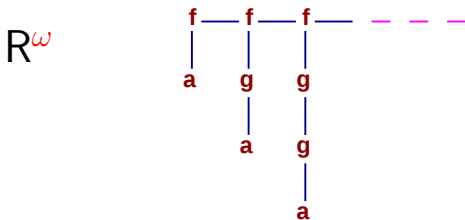


Scheme at level 1

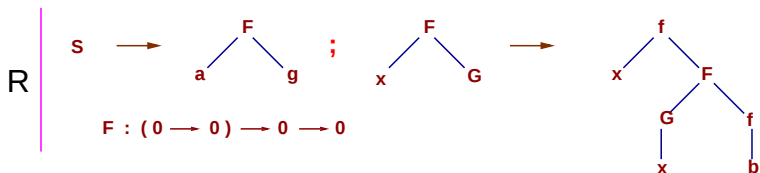
Nivat 1975, Guessarian 1987, Courcelle 1990



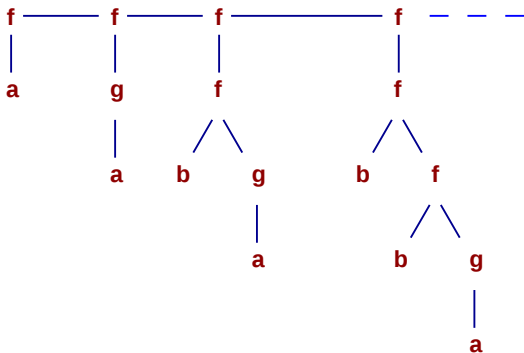
Solution



Scheme at level 2

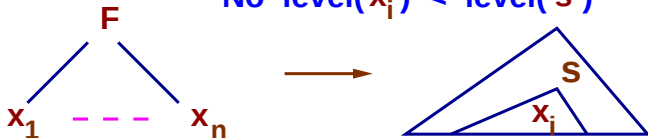


Solution R^ω

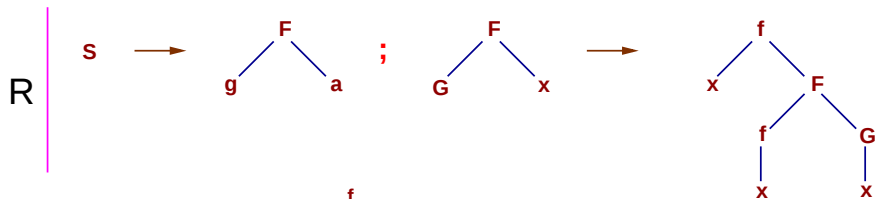


Safety condition: scope of variables **Damm 1982**

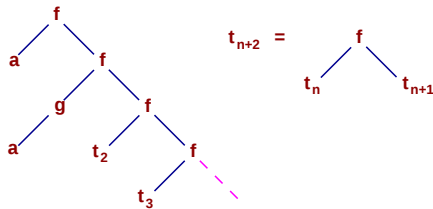
No $\text{level}(x_i) < \text{level}(s)$



Unsafe scheme



Solution R^ω



Theorem 2002

$$\text{Tree}_{n+1} \cap \text{Term} = \text{SafeScheme}_n$$

Knapik, Niwiński, Urzyczyn 2002

Any safe scheme R at level $n+1$ is transformed
into a safe scheme S at level n such that

$$R^\omega = \text{Unf}(h^{-1}(S^\omega), r) \text{ for some path function } h$$

Conjecture

The non rational algebraic numbers
are not in the pushdown hierarchy