

# Finite Developments in the $\lambda$ -calculus

Part 2

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# A labeled lambda-calculus (1/3)

- Give names to redexes and to (some) subterms
- make names consistent with permutation equivalence.

$$M, N, \dots ::= x \mid MN \mid \lambda x.M \mid M^\alpha$$

- Conversion rule is:

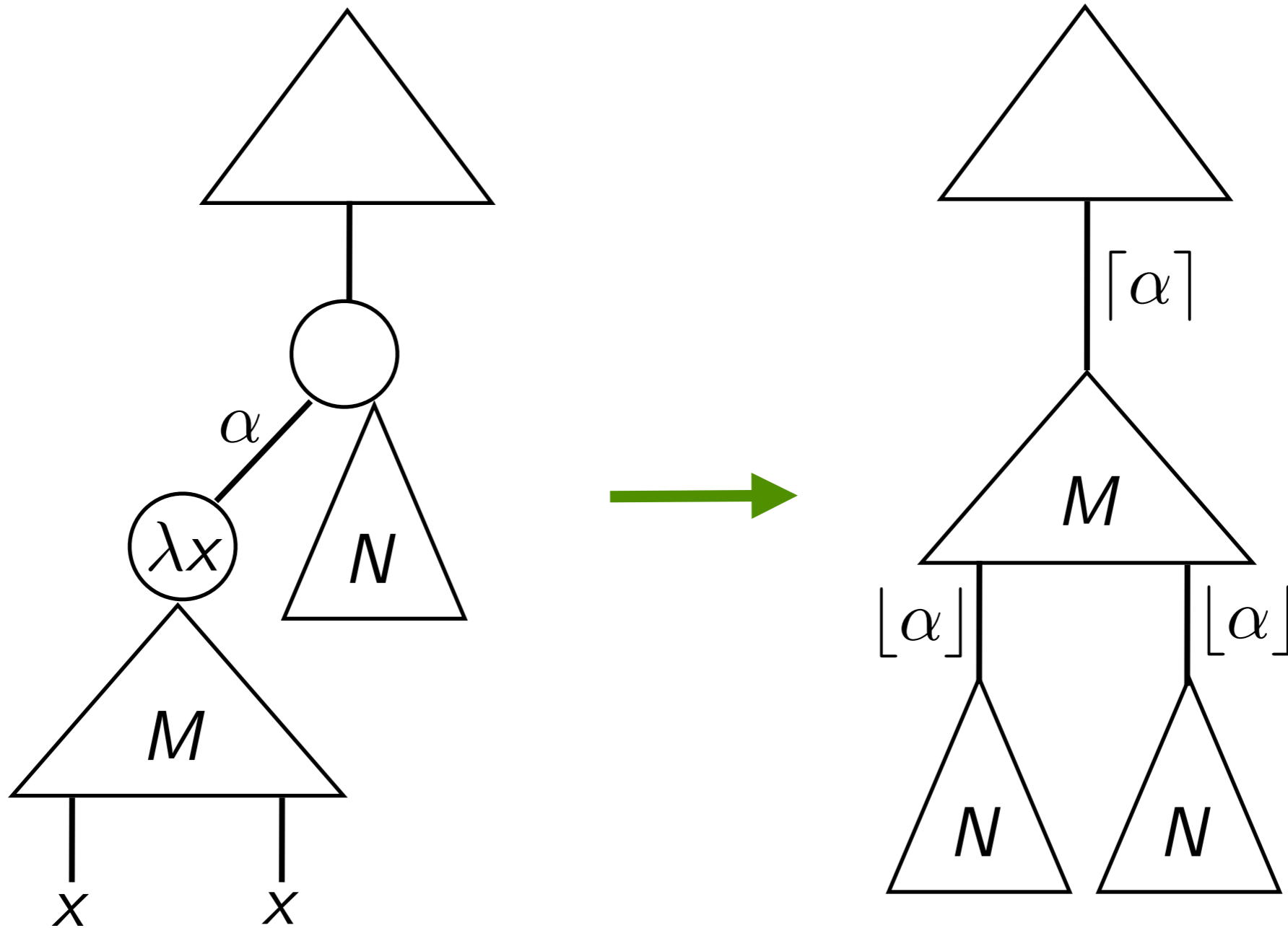
$$(\lambda x.M)^\alpha N \longrightarrow M^{\lceil \alpha \rceil} \{x := N^{\lfloor \alpha \rfloor}\}$$

$\alpha$  is the **name** of that redex

where

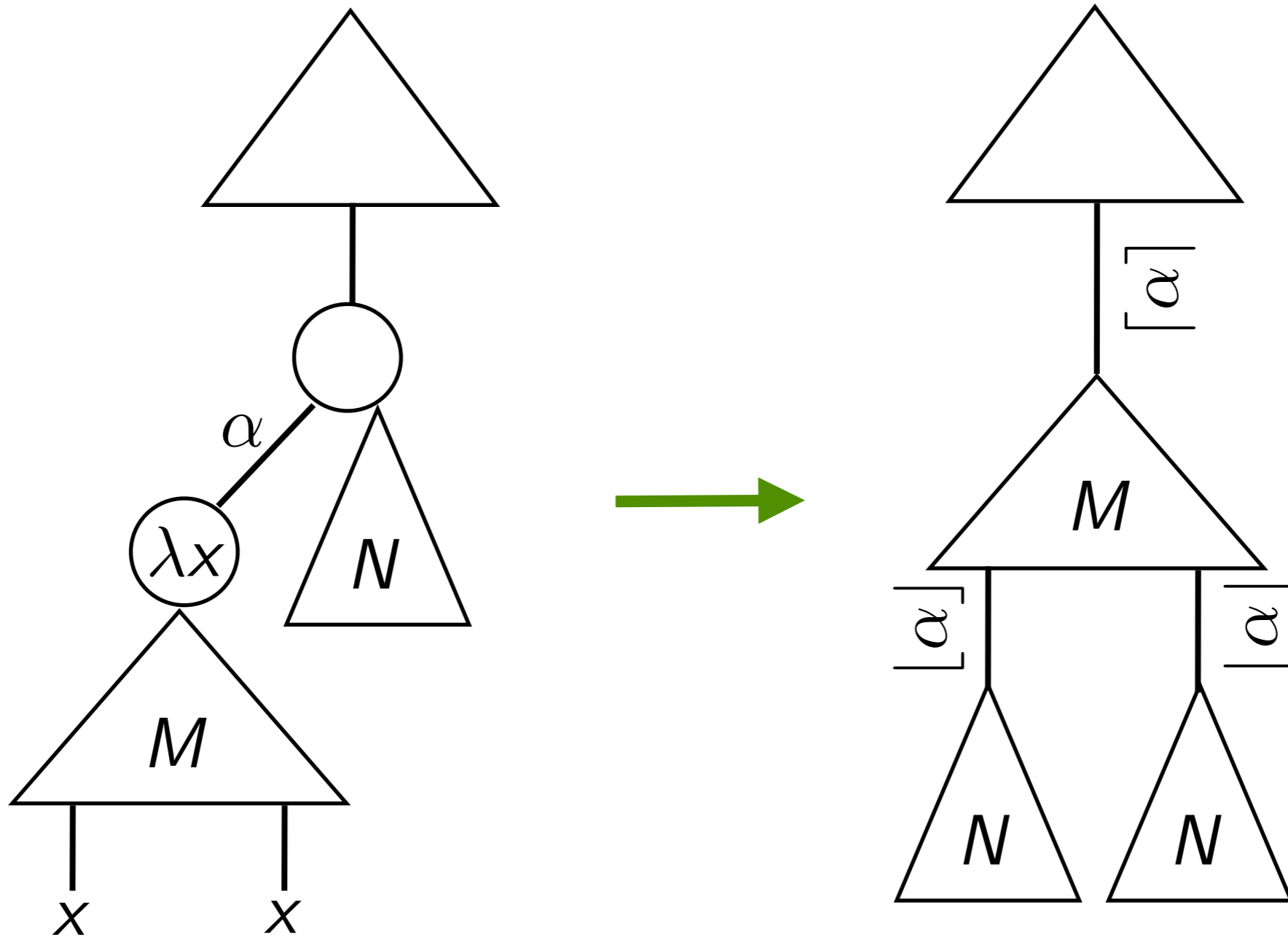
$$(M^\alpha)^\beta = M^{\alpha\beta} \quad \text{and} \quad (M^\alpha)\{x := N\} = (M\{x := N\})^\alpha$$

# A labeled lambda-calculus (2/3)



abstract syntax trees of labeled  $\lambda$ -terms

# A labeled lambda-calculus (2/3)



# A labeled lambda-calculus (3/3)

- Labels are strings of atomic labels:

$$\alpha, \beta, \dots ::= \underbrace{a, b, c, \dots}_{\text{atomic labels}} \mid \overline{a} \mid \underline{a} \mid \alpha\beta \mid \epsilon$$

- Labels are strings of atomic labels:

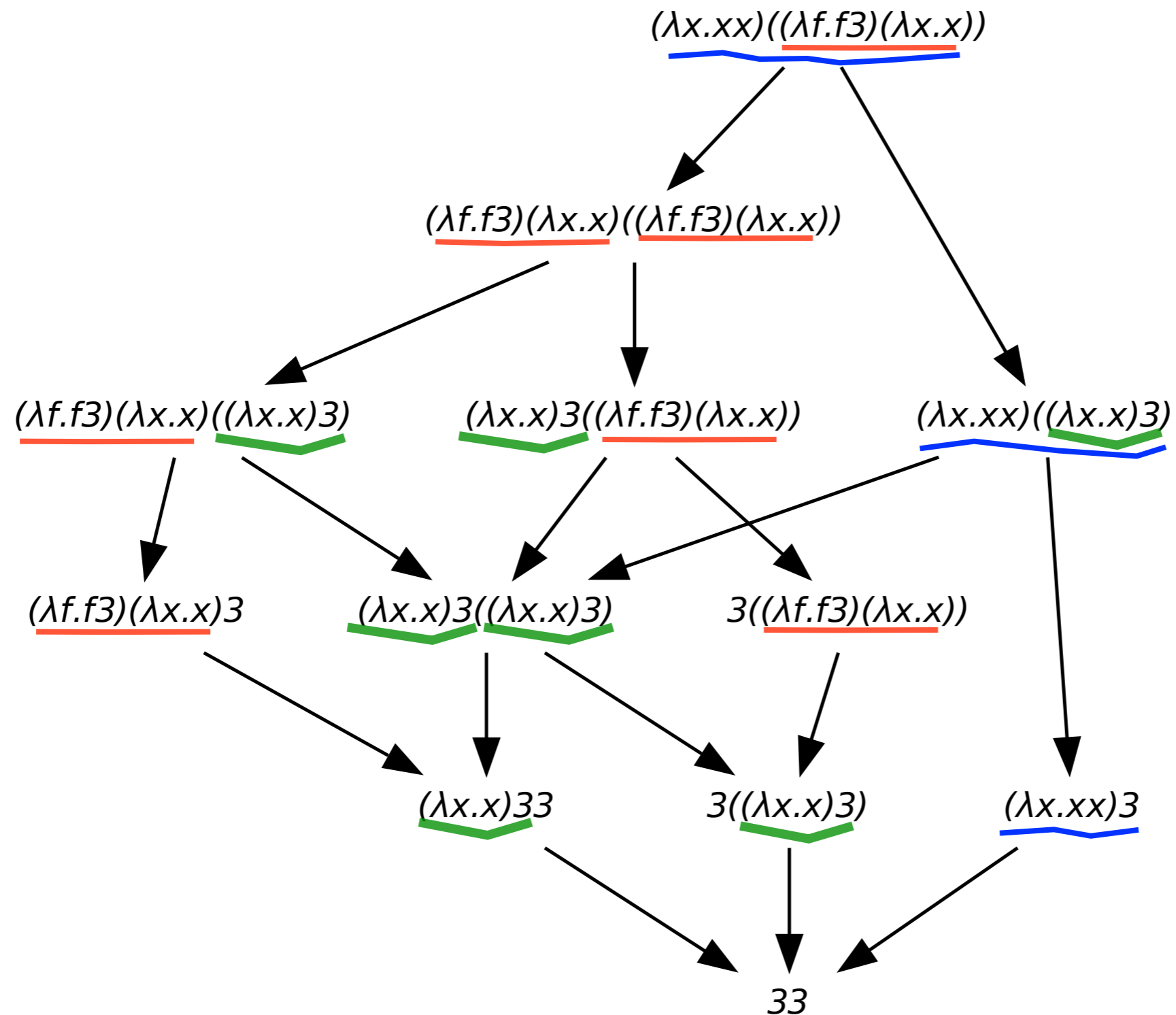
$a, b, c, \dots$  atomic letters

$\overline{a}, \underline{a}, \dots$  overlined, underlined labels

$\alpha\beta$  compound labels

$\epsilon = \underline{\epsilon} = \overline{\epsilon}$  empty label

# Example



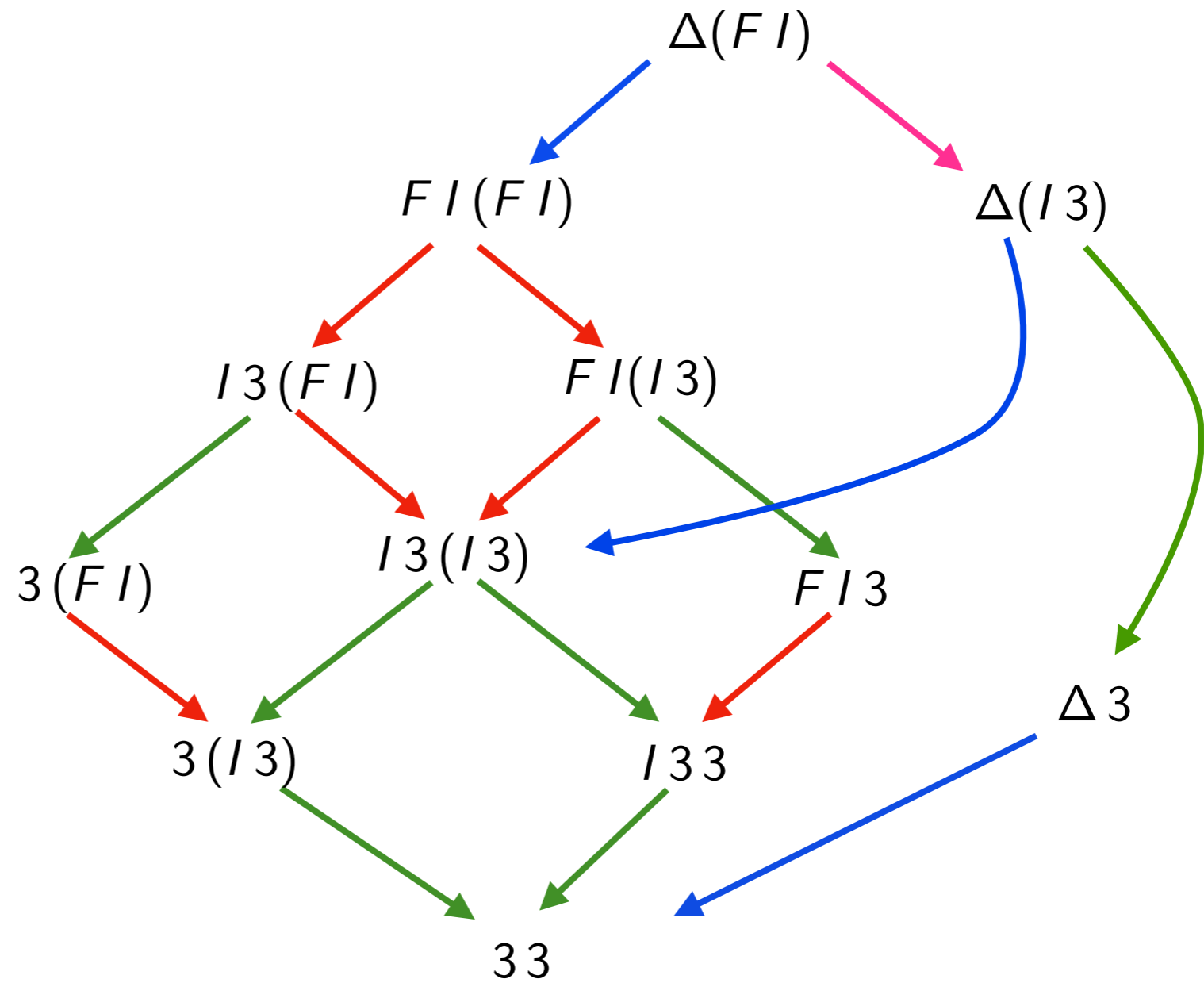
- 3 redex families: **red**, **blue**, **green**.

# Example

$$\Delta = \lambda x. x x$$

$$F = \lambda f. f 3$$

$$I = \lambda x. x$$



# Example

$$\Delta = \lambda x.(x^c x^d)^b$$

$$F = \lambda f.(f^k 3^\ell)^j$$

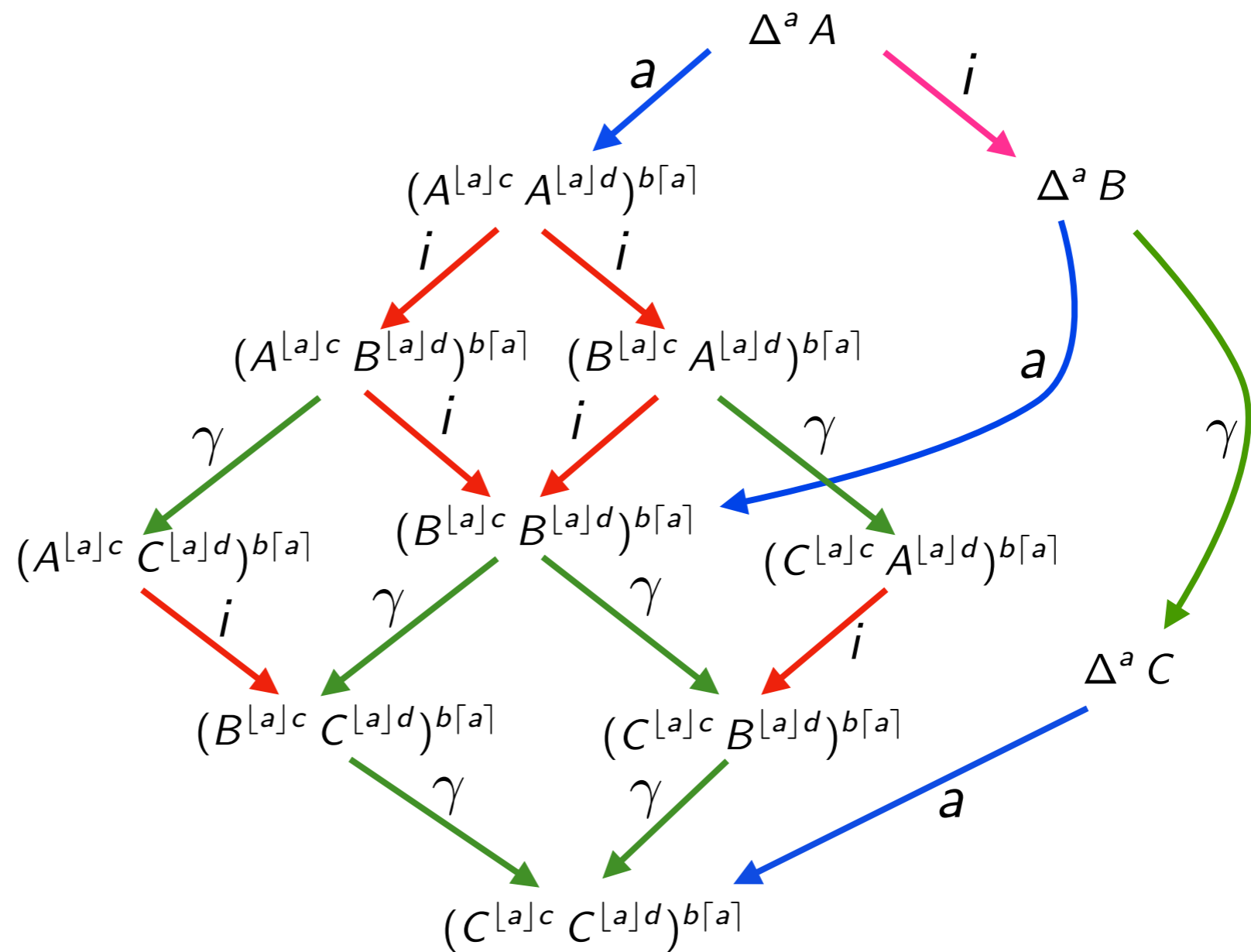
$$I = \lambda x.x^v$$

$$A = (F^i I^u)^q$$

$$B = (I^\gamma 3^\ell)^q$$

$$C = 3^\ell [ \gamma ]^v [ \gamma ]^q$$

$$\gamma = u [ i ] k$$



3 redexes names:  $a, i, \gamma = u [ i ] k$



# Example

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= D^a \Delta^e \\ &\downarrow a \\ \Omega_1 &= (\Delta^{\gamma_1} \Delta^{\delta_1})^{b[a]} \\ &\downarrow \gamma_1 \\ \Omega_2 &= (\Delta^{\gamma_2} \Delta^{\delta_2})^{f[\gamma_1]b[a]} \\ &\downarrow \gamma_2 \\ \Omega_3 &= (\Delta^{\gamma_3} \Delta^{\delta_3})^{f[\gamma_2]f[\gamma_1]b[a]} \\ &\downarrow \gamma_3 \\ \Omega_4 &= (\Delta^{\gamma_4} \Delta^{\delta_4})^{f[\gamma_3]f[\gamma_2]f[\gamma_1]b[a]} \\ &\downarrow \gamma_4\end{aligned}$$

$$D = \lambda x.(x^c x^d)^b$$

$$\Delta = \lambda x.(x^g x^h)^f$$

$$\gamma_1 = e[a]c$$

$$\gamma_2 = \delta_1[\gamma_1]g$$

$$\gamma_3 = \delta_2[\gamma_2]g$$

$$\gamma_4 = \delta_3[\gamma_3]g$$

$$\delta_1 = e[a]d$$

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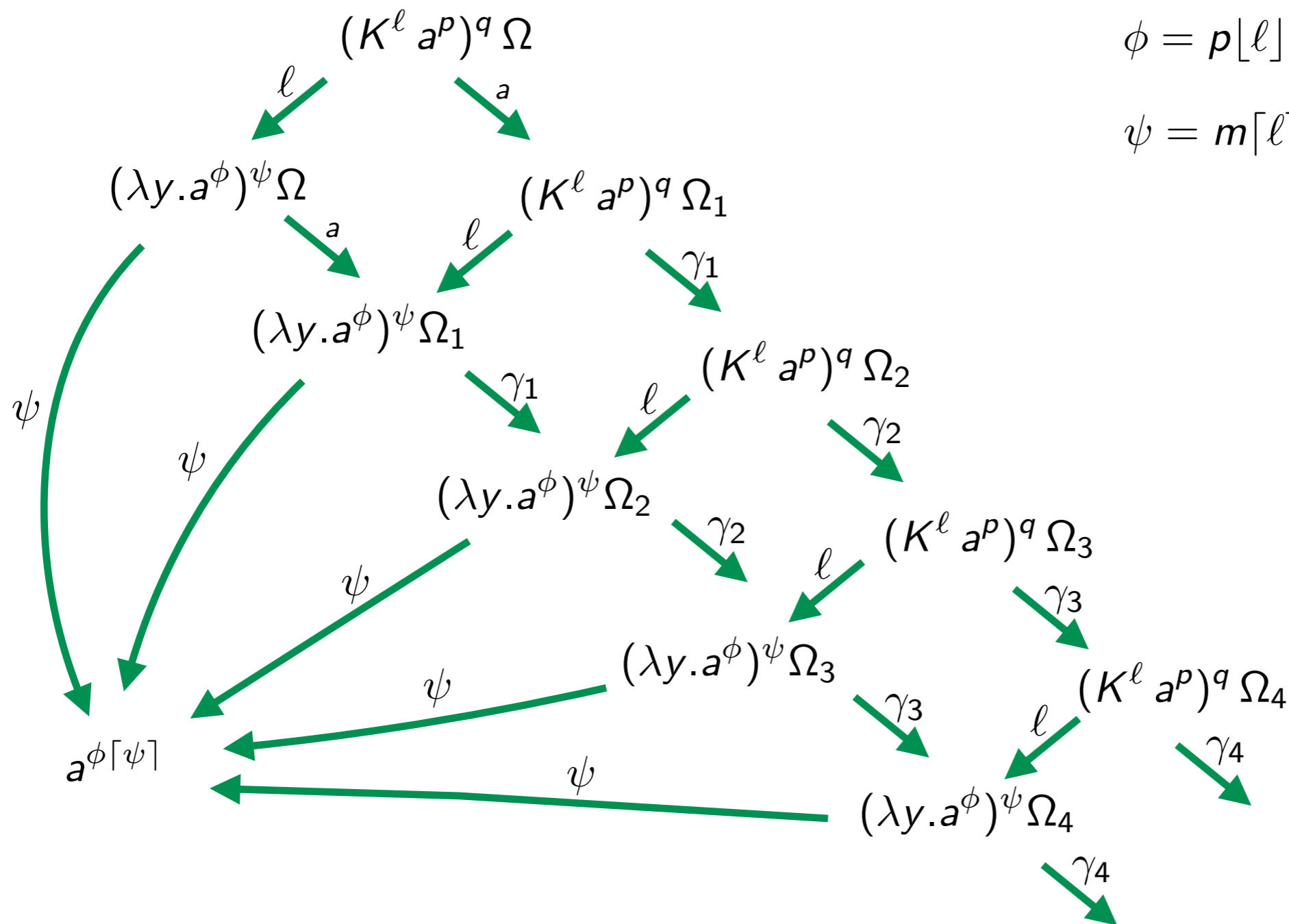
redexes names:  $a, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots$

# Example

$$K = \lambda x. (\lambda y. x^n)^m$$

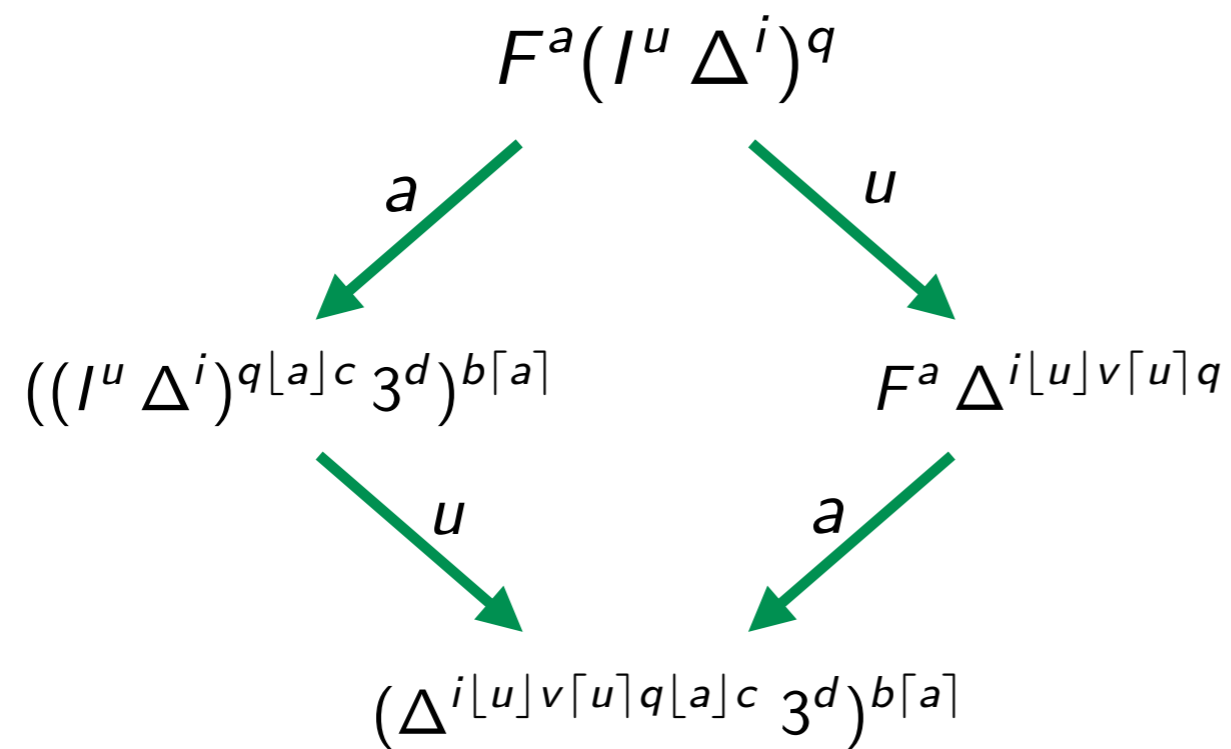
$$\phi = p[l]n$$

$$\psi = m[l]q$$



redexes names:  $l, \psi, a, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots$

# Example



$$F = \lambda f.(f^c 3^d)^b$$

$$I = \lambda x.x^v$$

$$\Delta = \lambda x.(x^k x^\ell)^j$$

2 independent redexes  $a$  and  $u$  creates the new one  $i[u]v[u]q[a]c$

# Empirical facts (bis)

- **deterministic** result when it exists

**Church-Rosser**

- multiple reduction strategies

- **terminating** strategy ?

- **efficient** reduction strategy ?

**optimal reduction**

- **worst** reduction strategy ?

- when all reductions are finite ?

**strong normalisation**

- when finite, the reduction graph has a **lattice** structure ?

**YES!**

# Permutation equivalence (1/7)

- **Proposition** [residuals of labeled redexes]

$S \in R/\rho$  implies  $\text{name}(R) = \text{name}(S)$

- **Definition** [created redexes] Let  $\rho : M \xrightarrow{\star} N$

we say that  $\rho$  **creates**  $R$  in  $M$  when  $\nexists R', R \in R'/\rho$ .

- **Proposition** [created labeled redexes]

If  $S$  creates  $R$ , then  $\text{name}(S)$  is strictly contained in  $\text{name}(R)$ .

# Permutation equivalence (2/7)

**Proof (cont'd)** Created redexes contains names of creator

$$\underbrace{(\lambda x. \dots (x^\beta N) \dots)^\alpha (\lambda y. M)^\gamma}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \dots \underbrace{((\lambda y. M)^{\gamma[\alpha]\beta} N')}_{\gamma[\alpha]\beta} \dots$$

creates

$$\underbrace{((\lambda x. (\lambda y. M)^\gamma)^\alpha N)^\beta P}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \underbrace{(\lambda y. M')^{\gamma[\alpha]\beta} P}_{\gamma[\alpha]\beta}$$

creates

$$\underbrace{((\lambda x. x^\gamma)^\alpha (\lambda y. M)^\delta)^\beta N}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \underbrace{(\lambda y. M)^{\delta[\alpha]\gamma[\alpha]\beta} N}_{\delta[\alpha]\gamma[\alpha]\beta}$$

creates

# Permutation equivalence (3/7)

- **Labeled laws**  $M^\alpha \{x := N\} = (M\{x := N\})^\alpha$        $(M^\alpha)^\beta = M^{\alpha\beta}$

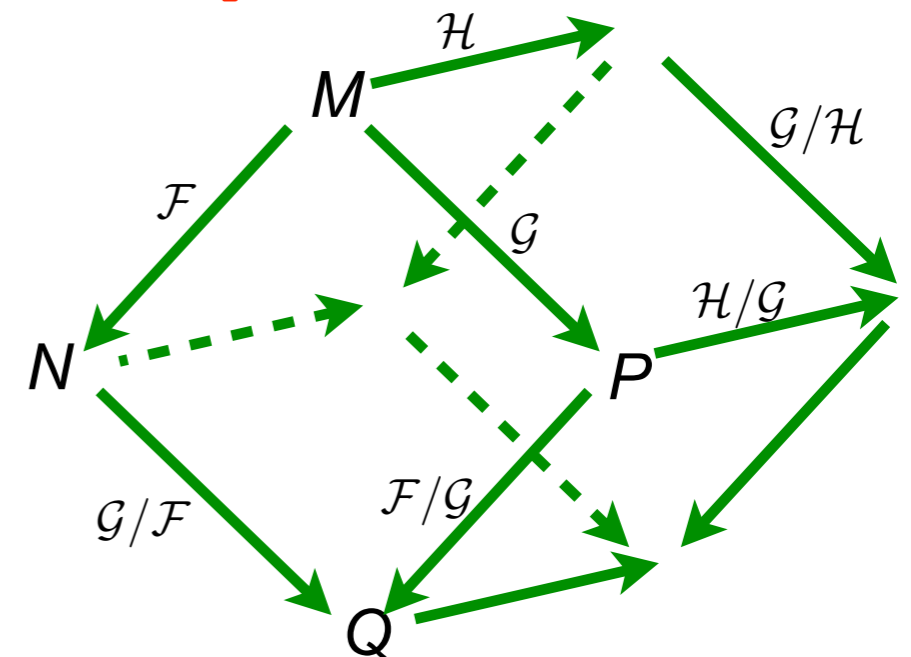
If  $M \longrightarrow N$ , then  $M^\alpha \longrightarrow N^\alpha$

- **Labeled parallel moves lemma+** [74]

If  $M \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} N$  and  $M \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}} P$ , then  $N \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}/\mathcal{F}} Q$  and  $P \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{G}} Q$  for some  $Q$ .

- **Parallel moves lemma++** [The Cube Lemma]

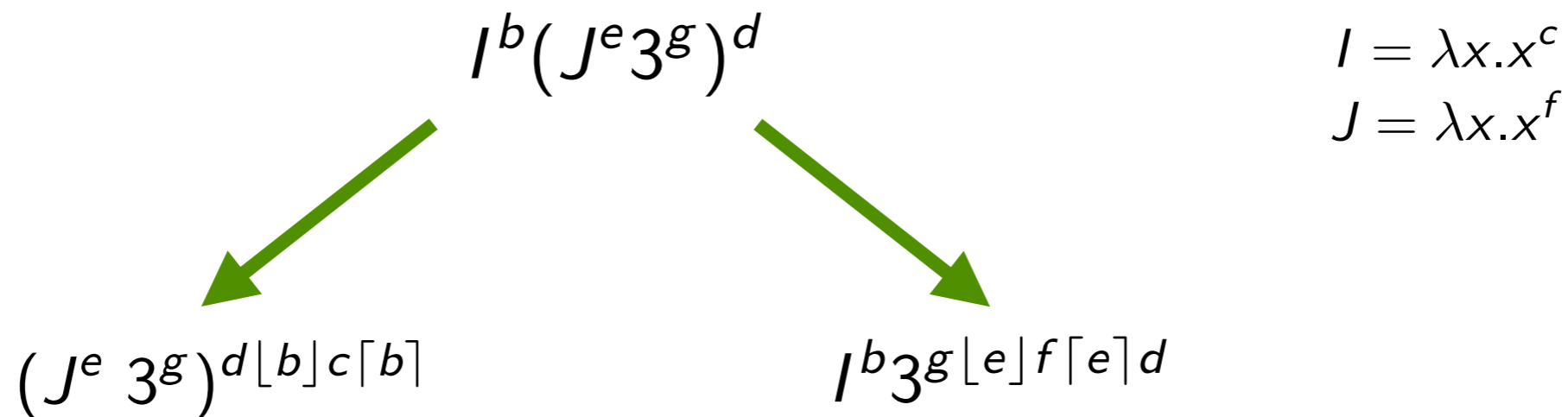
still holds.



# Permutation equivalence (4/7)

- Labels do not break Church-Rosser, nor residuals
- Labels refine  $\lambda$ -calculus:
  - any unlabeled reduction can be performed in the labeled calculus
  - but two cofinal unlabeled reductions may no longer be cofinal

Take  $I(I3)$  with  $I = \lambda x.x$ .





# Permutation equivalence (5/7)

- **Definition** [pure labeled calculus]

Pure labeled terms are labeled terms where all subterms have non empty labels.

- **Theorem** [labeled permutation equivalence, 76]

Let  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  be coinitial pure labeled reductions.

Then  $\rho \simeq \sigma$  iff  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  are labeled cofinal.

**Proof** Let  $\rho \simeq \sigma$ . Then obvious because of labeled parallel moves lemma.

Conversely, we apply standardization thm and following lemma.

# Permutation equivalence (6/7)

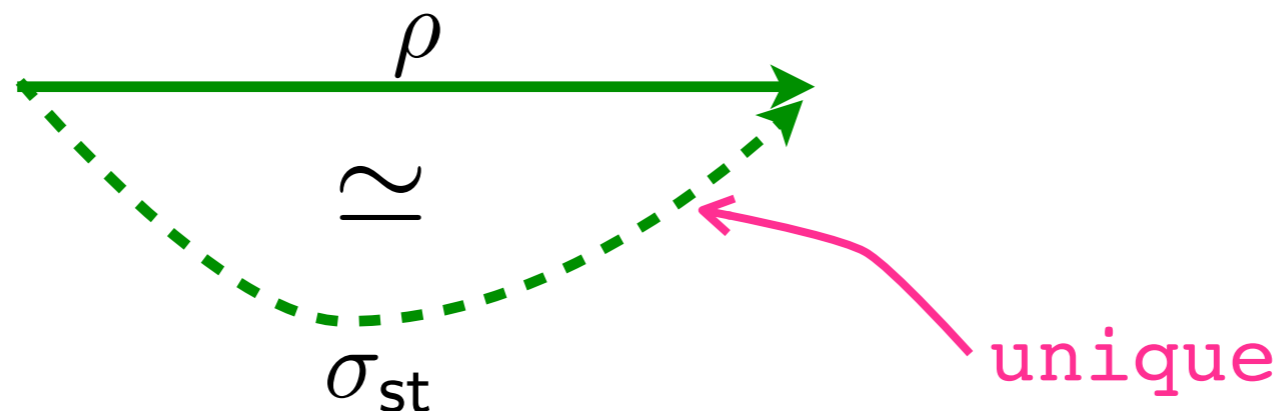
- **Definition:** The following reduction is **standard**

$$\rho : M = M_0 \xrightarrow{R_1} M_1 \xrightarrow{R_2} M_2 \cdots \xrightarrow{R_n} M_n = N$$

iff for all  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $i < j$ , then  $R_j$  is not residual along  $\rho$  of some  $R'_j$  to the left of  $R_i$  in  $M_{i-1}$ .

- **Standardization** [Curry 50] Let  $M \xrightarrow{\star} N$ . Then  $M \xrightarrow{\text{st}} N$ .

- **Labeled standardization**  $\forall \rho, \exists! \sigma_{\text{st}}, \rho \simeq \sigma_{\text{st}}$



# Permutation equivalence (7/7)

- **Notation** [prefix ordering]  $\rho \sqsubseteq \sigma$  for  $\exists \tau. \rho \tau \simeq \sigma$

- **Corollary** [labeled prefix ordering]

Let  $\rho : M \xrightarrow{\star} N$  and  $\sigma : M \xrightarrow{\star} P$  be coinitial pure labeled reductions.  
Then  $\rho \sqsubseteq \sigma$  iff  $N \xrightarrow{\star} P$ .

- **Corollary** [lattice of labeled reductions]

Labeled reduction graphs are upwards semi lattices for any pure labeling.

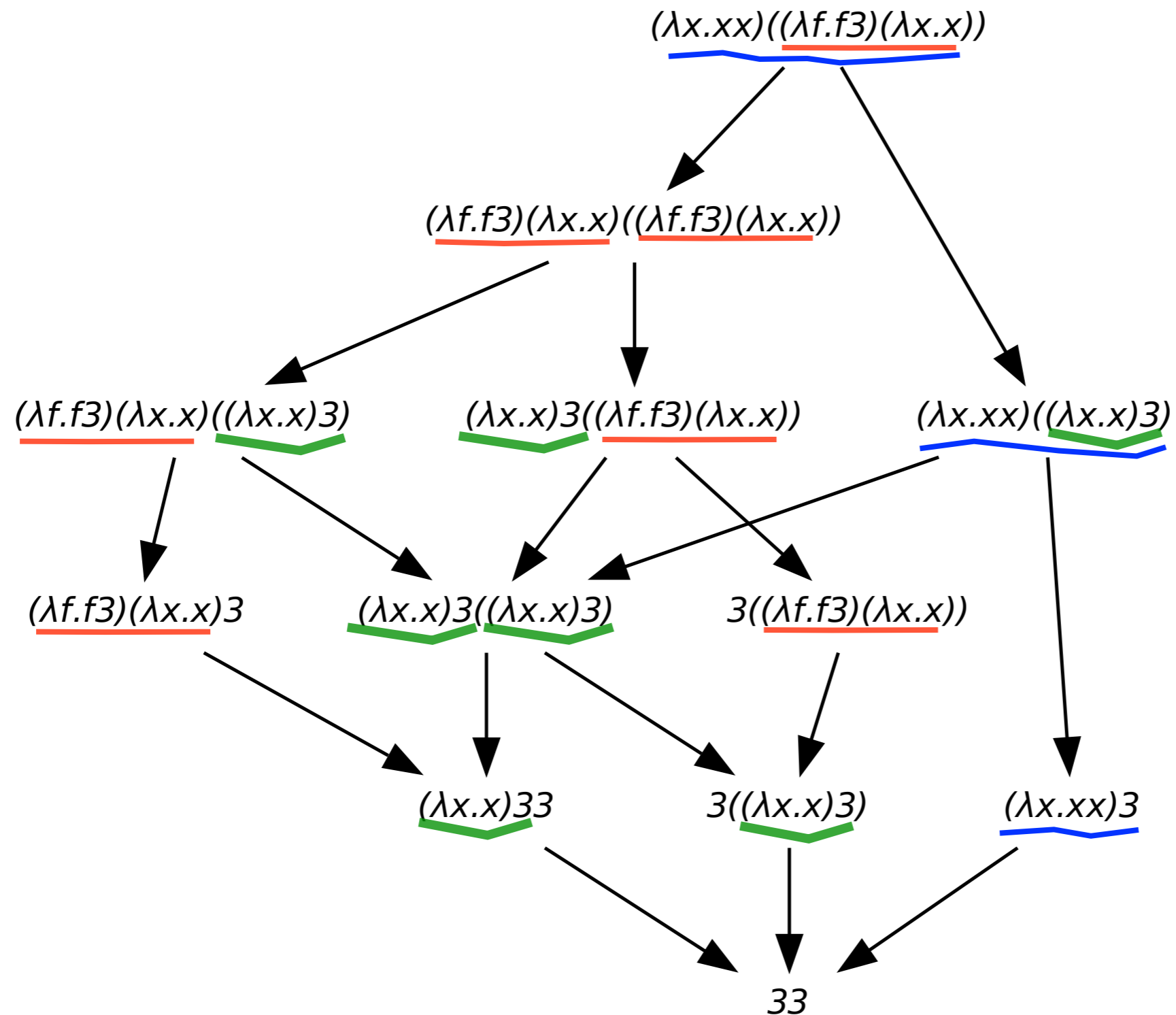
In other terms, reductions up-to permutation equivalence is a push-out category.

**Exercise** Try on  $(\lambda x.x)((\lambda y.(\lambda x.x)a)b)$  or  $(\lambda x.xx)(\lambda x.xx)$

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# Redex families

# Example



- 3 redex families: **red**, **blue**, **green**.

# hRedexes

- **Definition** [hRedex]

hRedex is a pair  $\langle \rho, R \rangle$  where  $R$  is a redex in final term of  $\rho$

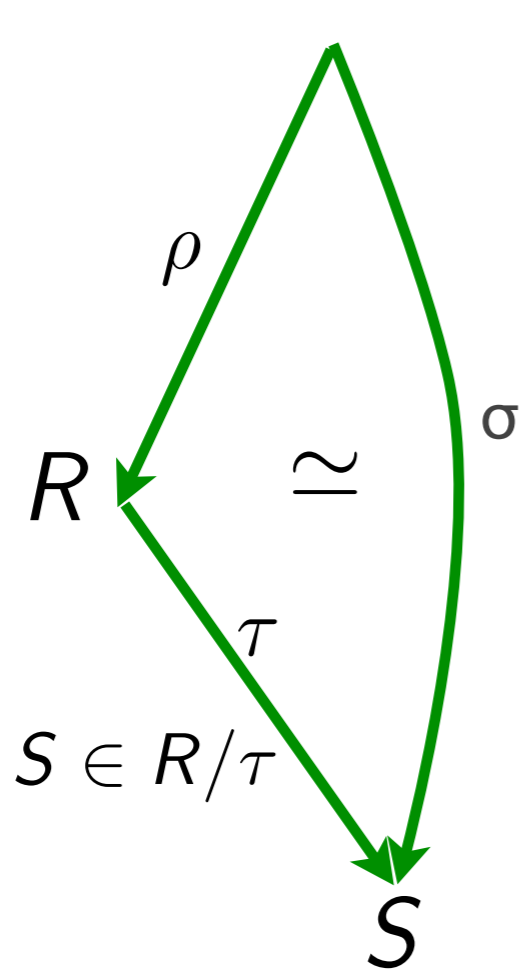
- **Definition** [copies of hRedex]

$\langle \rho, R \rangle \leq \langle \sigma, S \rangle$  when  $\exists \tau. \rho\tau \simeq \sigma$  and  $S \in R/\tau$

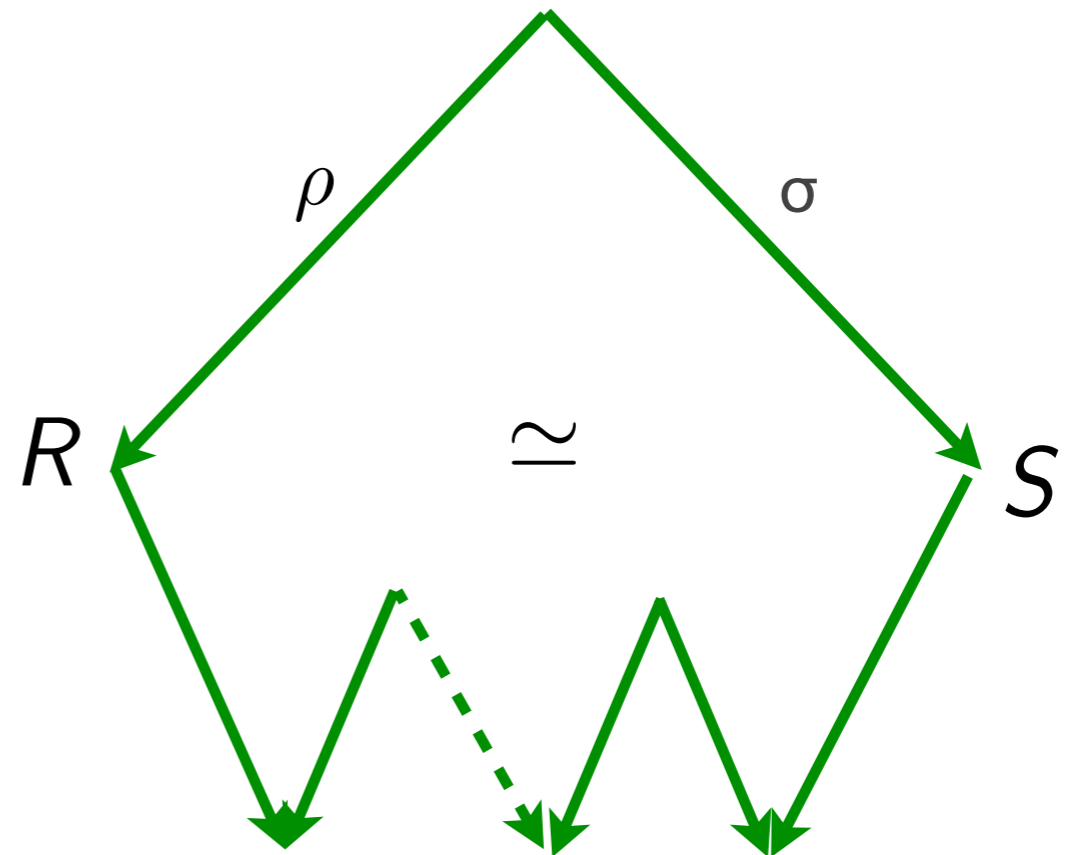
- **Definition** [families of hRedexes]

$\langle \rho, R \rangle \sim \langle \sigma, S \rangle$  for reflexive, symmetric, transitive closure of the copy relation.

# Labels and history (1/4)



$$\langle \rho, R \rangle \leq \langle \sigma, S \rangle$$



$$\langle \rho, R \rangle \sim \langle \sigma, S \rangle$$



$$\text{name}(R) = \text{name}(S)$$

# Labels and history (2/4)

- **Proposition** [same history  $\rightarrow$  same name]

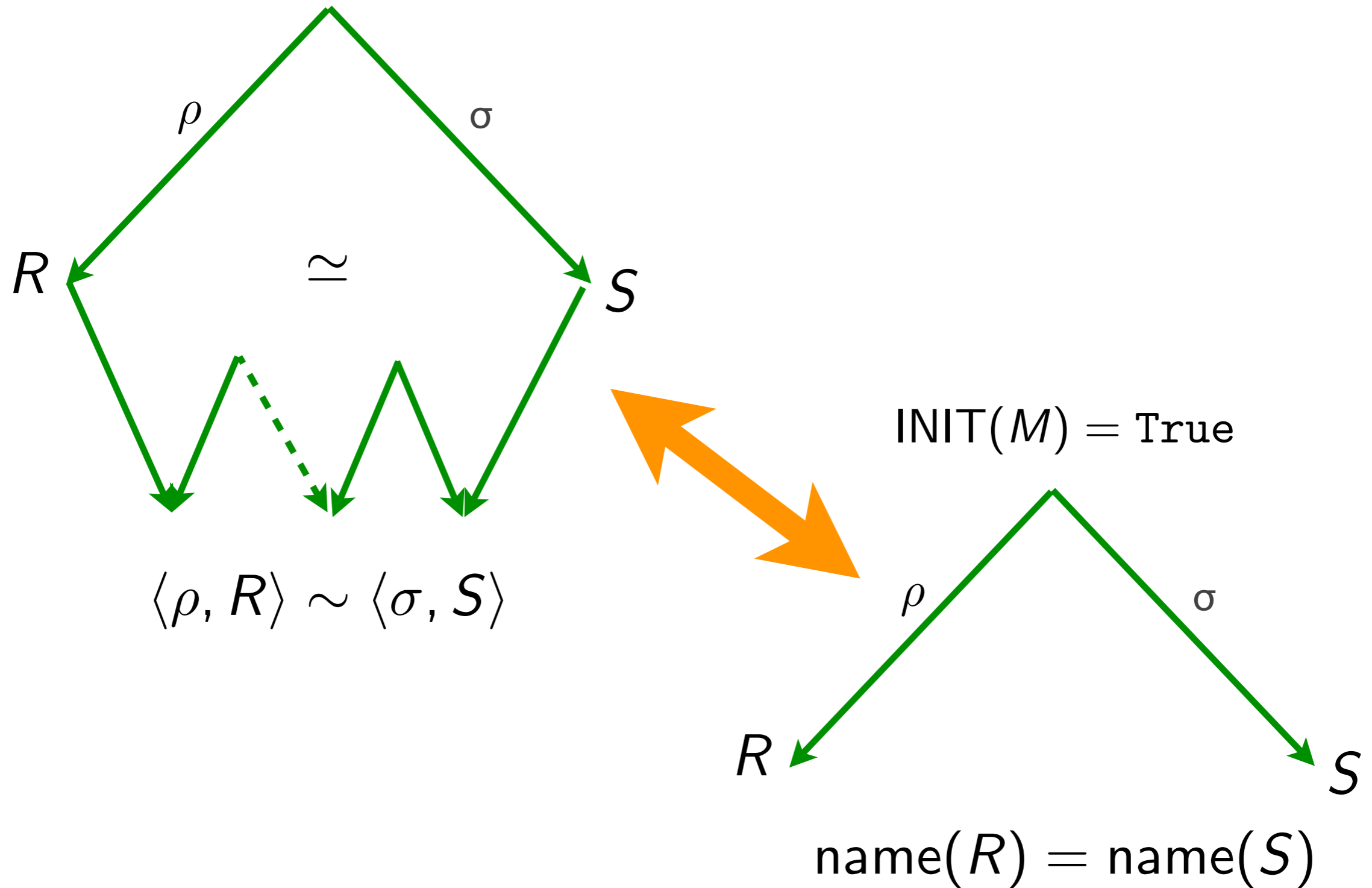
In the labeled  $\lambda$ -calculus, for any labeling, we have:

$$\langle \rho, R \rangle \sim \langle \sigma, S \rangle \text{ implies } \text{name}(R) = \text{name}(S)$$

- The opposite direction is clearly not true for any labeling  
(For instance, take all labels equal)
- But it is true when all labels are distinct atomic letters in the initial term.
- **Definition** [all labels distinct letters]  
 $\text{INIT}(M) = \text{True}$  when all labels in  $M$  are distinct letters.



# Labels and history (3/4)



# Labels and history (4/4)

- **Theorem** [same history = same name, 76]

When  $\text{INIT}(M)$  and reductions  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  start from  $M$ :

$$\langle \rho, R \rangle \sim \langle \sigma, S \rangle \text{ iff } \text{name}(R) = \text{name}(S)$$

- **Corollary** [decidability of family relation]

The family relation is decidable (although complexity is proportional to length of standard reduction).



# Finite developments

# Parallel steps revisited (1/3)

- parallel steps were defined with inside-out strategy  
[à la Martin-Löf]

Can we take any order as a reduction strategy ?

- **Definition** A **reduction relative** to a set  $\mathcal{F}$  of redexes in  $M$  is any reduction contracting only residuals of  $\mathcal{F}$ .  
A **development** of  $\mathcal{F}$  is any maximal relative reduction of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

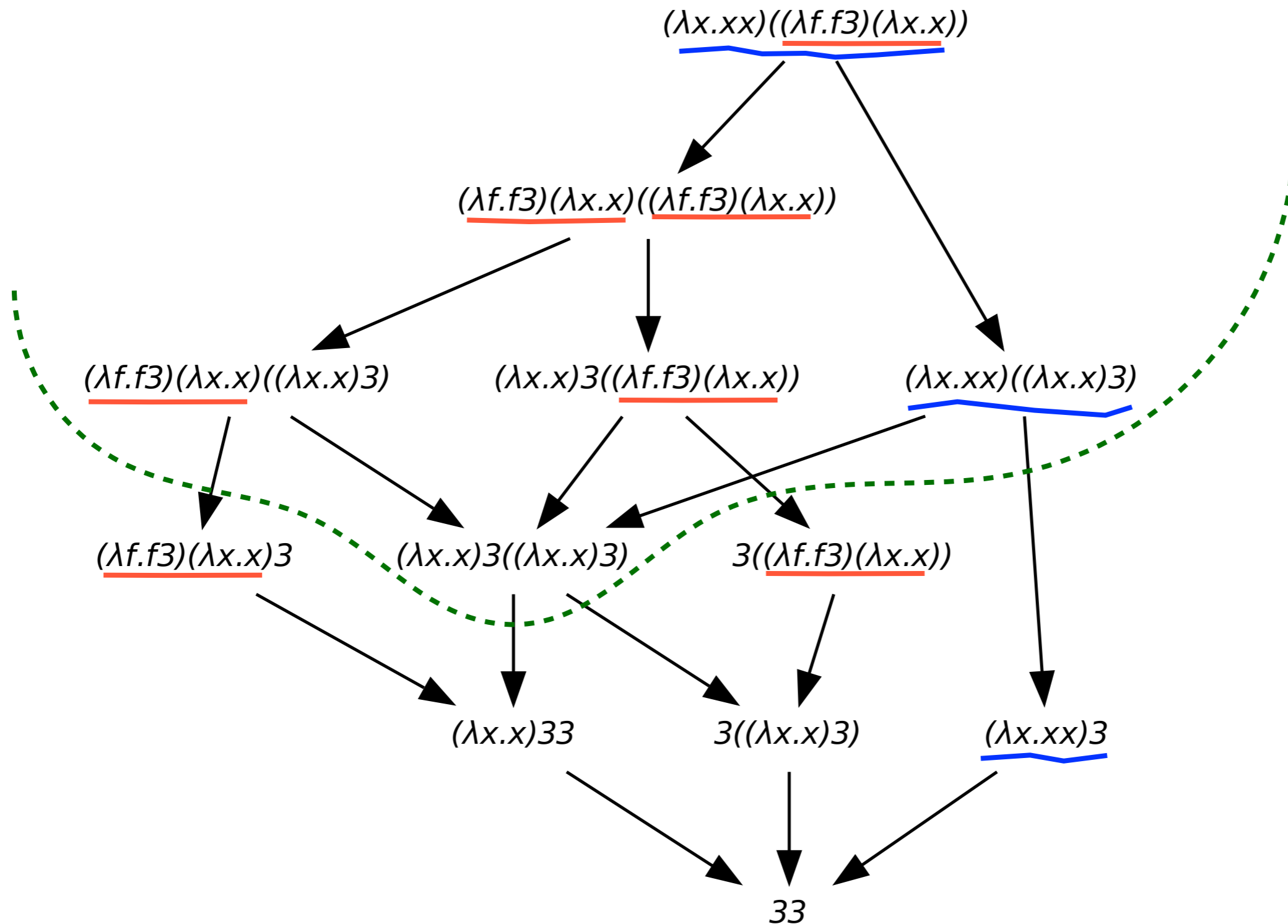
# Parallel steps revisited (2/3)

- **Theorem** [*Finite Developments, Curry, 50*]

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be set of redexes in  $M$ .

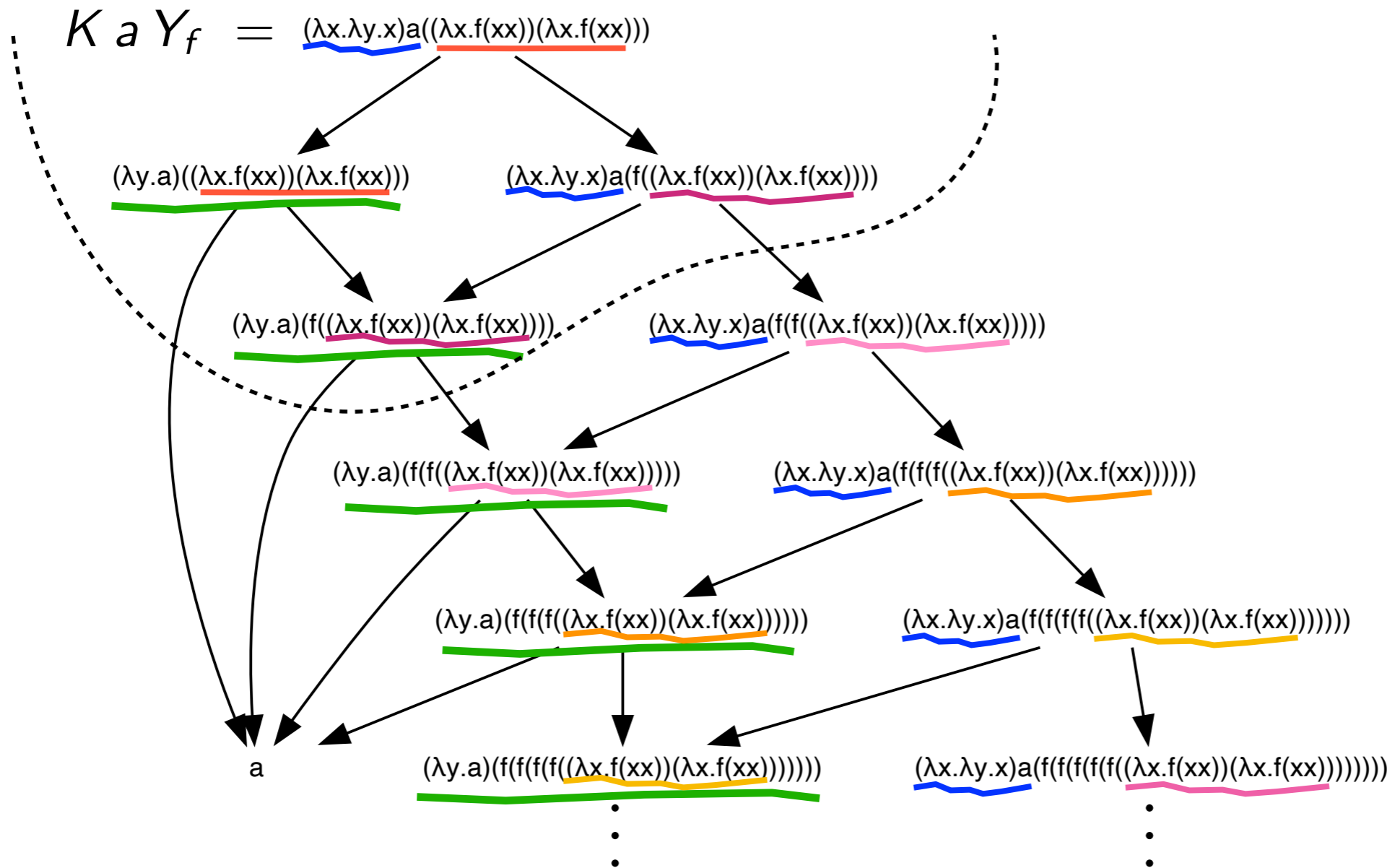
- (1) there are no infinite relative reductions of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,
  - (2) they all finish on same term  $N$
  - (3) Let  $R$  be redex in  $M$ . Residuals of  $R$  by all finite developments of  $\mathcal{F}$  are the same.
- Similar to the parallel moves lemma, but we considered a particular inside-out reduction strategy.

# Example



developments of **red**, **blue**.

# Example



developments of **red**, **blue**.

# Parallel steps revisited (3/3)

- **Notation** [parallel reduction steps]

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be set of redexes in  $M$ . We write  $M \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} N$  if a development of  $\mathcal{F}$  connects  $M$  to  $N$ .

- This notation is consistent with previous definition  
(since inside-out parallel step is a particular development)
- Corollaries of FD thm are also parallel moves + cube lemmas



# Finite and infinite reductions (1/3)

- **Definition** A **reduction relative** to a set  $\mathcal{F}$  of redex families is any reduction contracting redexes in families of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

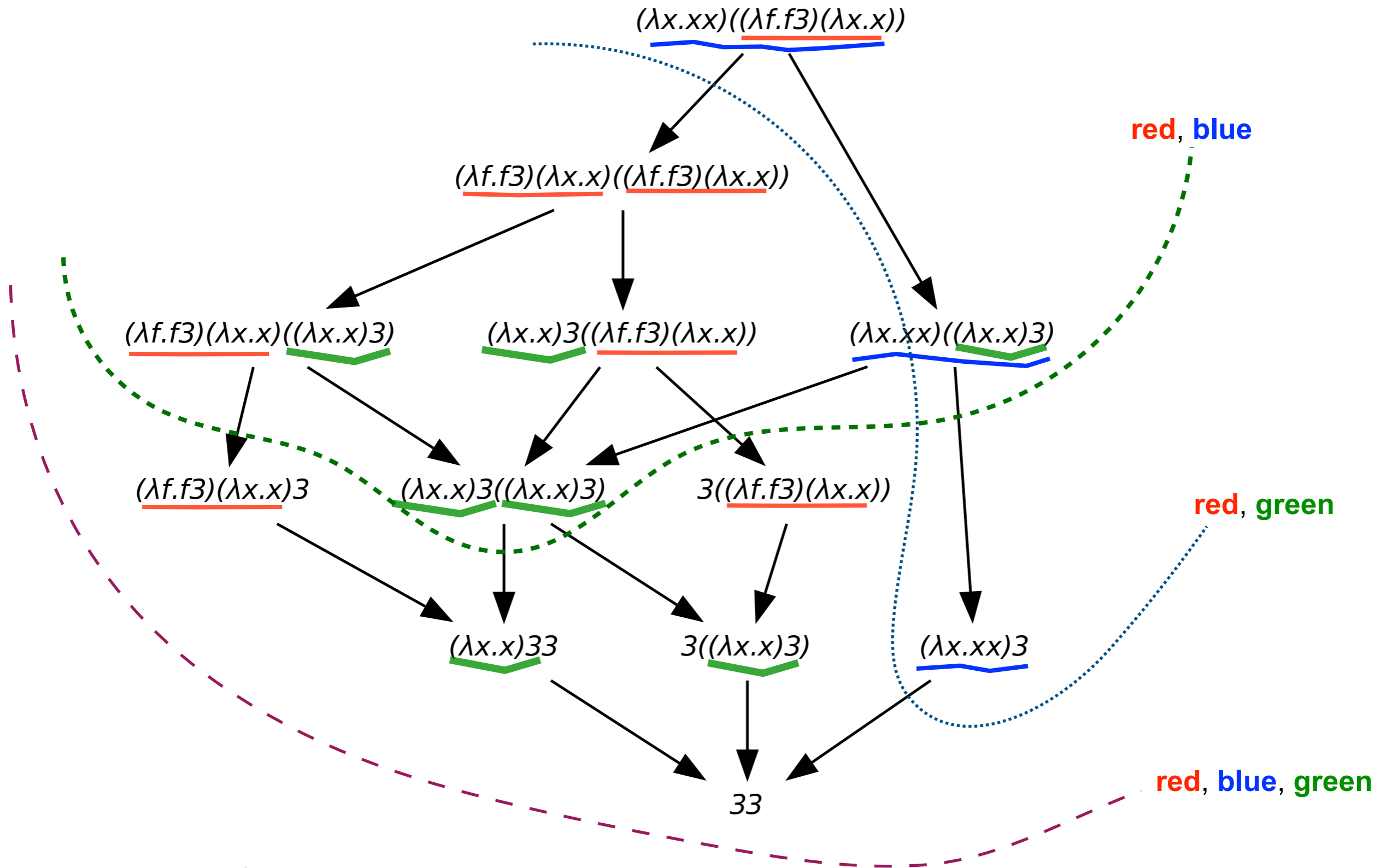
A **development** of  $\mathcal{F}$  is any maximal relative reduction.

- **Theorem** [Generalized Finite Developments+, 76]

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a finite set of redex families.

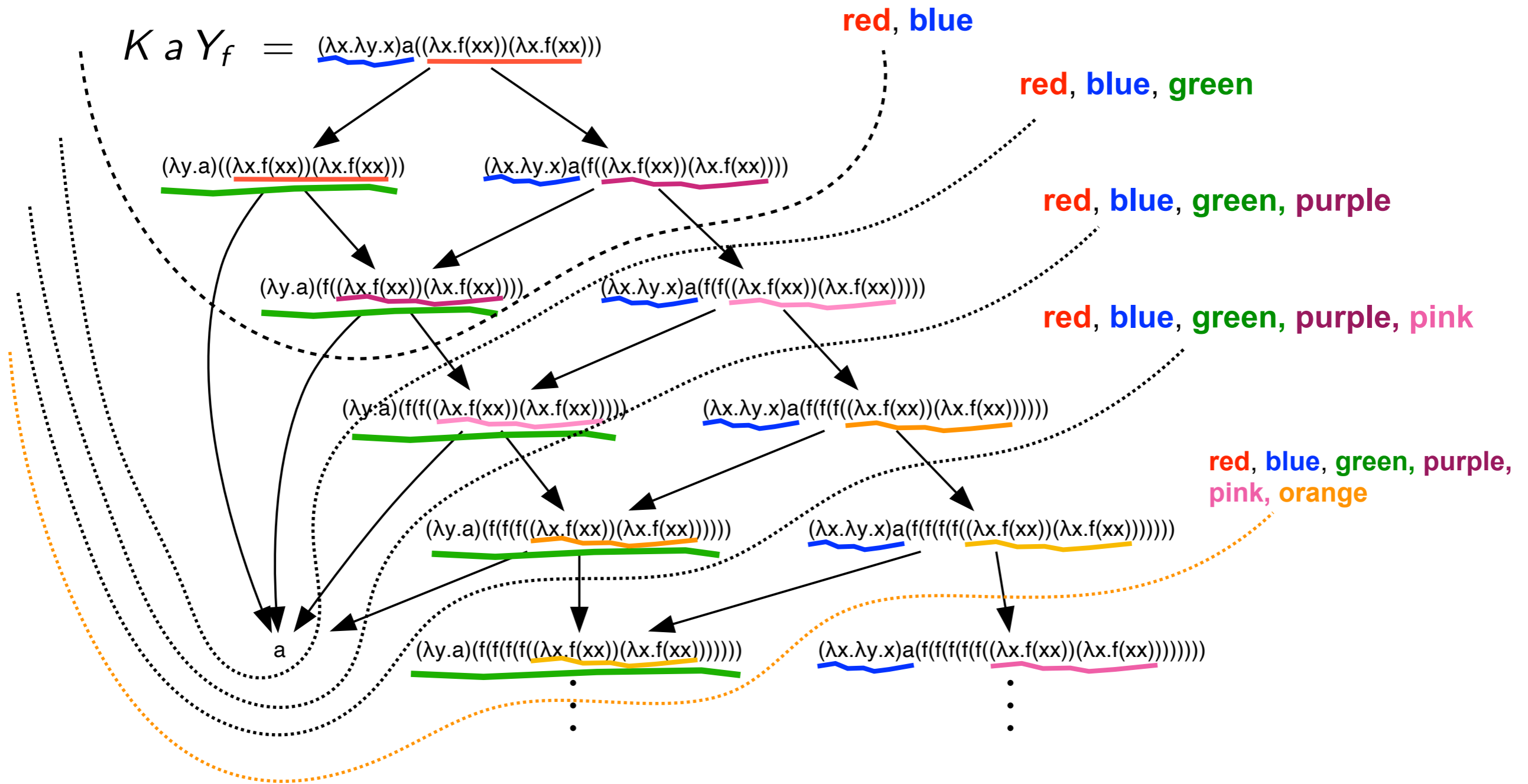
- (1) there are no infinite reductions relative to  $\mathcal{F}$ ,
- (2) they all finish on same term  $N$
- (3) All developments are equivalent by permutations.

# Example



- 3 redex families: **red**, **blue**, **green**.

# Example



developments of families.

# Finite and infinite reductions (2/3)

- **Corollary** An **infinite reduction** contracts an **infinite set of redex families**.
- **Corollary** Any term generating a finite number of redex families strongly normalizes

finite number of redex families



strong normalization



# Proof of the GFD thm

# Bound on heights of labels

- **Definition** The height of a label is its nesting of underlines and overlines

$$h(a) = 0$$

$$h(\lceil \alpha \rceil) = h(\lfloor \alpha \rfloor) = 1 + h(\alpha)$$

$$h(\alpha\beta) = \max\{h(\alpha), h(\beta)\}$$

- **Fact** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a finite set of redex families, then there is an upper bound  $H(\mathcal{F})$  on labels of subterms in reductions relative to  $\mathcal{F}$ .

When initial term is labeled with atomic letters, we have

$$H(\mathcal{F}) = \max \{h(\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

# Proof of finite developments

- **Notation**  $\tau(M^\alpha) = \alpha$  when  $M$  has an empty external label

- **Lemma 1** Let  $M \xrightarrow{\star} M'$ , then  $h(\tau(M)) \leq h(\tau(M'))$

- **Lemma 2** Let  $(\dots((M M_1)^{\beta_1} M_2)^{\beta_2} \dots M_n)^{\beta_n} \xrightarrow{\star} (\lambda x.N)^\alpha$   
Then  $h(\tau(M)) \leq h(\alpha)$

- **Lemma 3** [Barendregt] Let  $M\{x := N\} \xrightarrow{\star} (\lambda y.P)^\alpha$

There are 2 cases:

$$M \xrightarrow{\star} (\lambda y.M')^\alpha \text{ and } M'\{x := N\} \xrightarrow{\star} P$$

$$M \xrightarrow{\star} M' = (\dots((x^\beta M_1)^{\beta_1} M_2)^{\beta_2} \dots M_n)^{\beta_n} \text{ and } M'\{x := N\} \xrightarrow{\star} (\lambda y.P)^\alpha$$

# Proof of finite developments

- **Notation** Let  $\mathcal{SN}_{\mathcal{F}}$  be the set of strongly normalizable terms w.r.t. reductions relative to  $\mathcal{F}$ .

- **Lemma [subst]** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a finite set of redex families.

$M, N \in \mathcal{SN}_{\mathcal{F}}$  implies  $M\{x := N\} \in \mathcal{SN}_{\mathcal{F}}$

**Proof [van Daalen]** by induction on  $\langle H(\mathcal{F}) - h(\tau(N)), \text{depth}(M), \|M\| \rangle$

- **Theorem GFD** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a finite set of redex families.

Then  $M \in \mathcal{SN}_{\mathcal{F}}$  for all  $M$ .

**Proof** by induction on  $\|M\|$



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Strong normalization

# 1st-order typed $\lambda$ -calculus (1/2)

Residuals of redexes keep their types (of names)

Created redexes have lower types



Finite number of redexes families



Strong normalization

$$\frac{(\lambda x. \dots xN \dots)(\lambda y. M)}{s \rightarrow t} \quad \frac{}{s} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{creates}} \quad \dots \frac{(\lambda y. M)N'}{s} \dots$$

$$\frac{(\lambda x. \lambda y. M)NP}{t} \quad \frac{}{s \rightarrow t} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{creates}} \quad \frac{(\lambda y. M')P}{t}$$

$$\frac{(\lambda x. x)(\lambda y. M)N}{s \rightarrow s} \quad \frac{}{s} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{creates}} \quad \frac{(\lambda y. M)N}{s}$$

# 1st-order typed $\lambda$ -calculus (2/2)

- **Typed  $\lambda$ -calculus** as a specific labeled calculus

$$s, t ::= \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B} \mid s \rightarrow t$$

Decorate subterms with their types

$$(\lambda f. (f^{\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}} 3^{\mathbb{N}})^{\mathbb{N}})^{(\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}} / \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$



$$( /^{\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}} 3^{\mathbb{N}} )^{\mathbb{N}}$$



$$3^{\mathbb{N}}$$

Apply following rules to labeled  $\lambda$ -calculus

$$[s \rightarrow t] = t$$

$$[s \rightarrow t] = s$$

$$s t = s$$

# Scott D-infinity model (1/2)

- Another labeled  $\lambda$ -calculus was considered to study Scott D-infinity model [Hyland-Wadsworth, 74]

- D-infinity projection functions on each subterm ( $n$  is any integer):

$$M, N, \dots ::= x^n \mid (MN)^n \mid (\lambda x.M)^n$$

- Conversion rule is:

$$((\lambda x.M)^{n+1} N)^p \longrightarrow M\{x := N_{[n]}\}_{[n][p]}$$

$n + 1$  is **degree** of redex

$$U_{[m][n]} = U_{[p]} \quad \text{where } p = \min\{m, n\}$$

$$x^n \{x := M\} = M_{[n]}$$

# Scott D-infinity model (2/2)

- **Proposition** Hyland-Wadsworth calculus is derivable from labeled calculus by simple homomorphism on labels.

**Proof** Assign an integer to any atomic letter and take:

$$h(\alpha\beta) = \min\{h(\alpha), h(\beta)\}$$

$$h(\lceil\alpha\rceil) = h(\lfloor\alpha\rfloor) = h(\alpha) - 1$$

- Redex degrees are bounded by maximum of labels in initial term.  
therefore a finite number of redex families
- **Proposition** Hyland-Wadsworth calculus strongly normalizes.

# Conclusion

- **many** proofs of strong normalization for various calculi
- these proofs look often **magic**
- but intuition is

GFD theorem  $\equiv$  strong normalization

- more properties on redex families + labeled calculus
  - standardization theorem
  - completeness of inside-out reductions
  - compactness of main theorems about syntax
  - stability of redexes and sequentiality
  - optimal reductions and relation to Girard's GOI