# COMP4161 Advanced Topics in Software Verification





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➔ Defining HOL



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#### Applications in:

- → Mathematics (algebra, group theory, etc)
- → Functional Programming (model of execution)
- → Theorem Proving (dealing with equations, simplifying statements)



### Term Rewriting: The Idea

use equations as reduction rules

$$l_{1} \longrightarrow r_{1}$$

$$l_{2} \longrightarrow r_{2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$l_{n} \longrightarrow r_{n}$$
decide  $l = r$  by deciding  $l \leftrightarrow r$ 



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Fact: local confluence and termination  $\implies$  confluence





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We show that the rewrite system defined by these rules is terminating.



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## **Exercises**

→ Show, via a pen-and-paper proof, that the osize function is monotonic with respect to the structure of terms from that example.