
Light Logics for Polynomial Time Computations

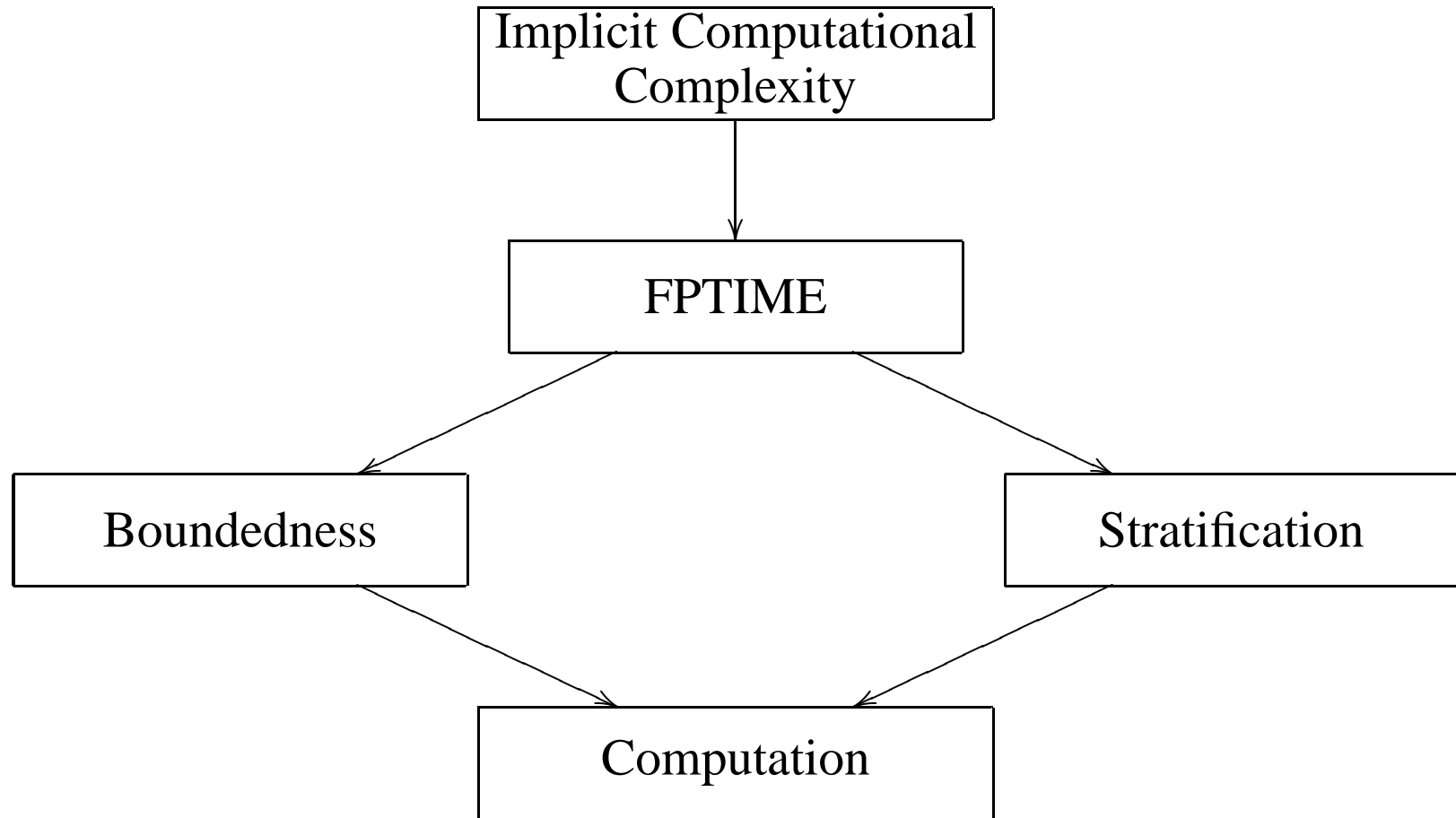
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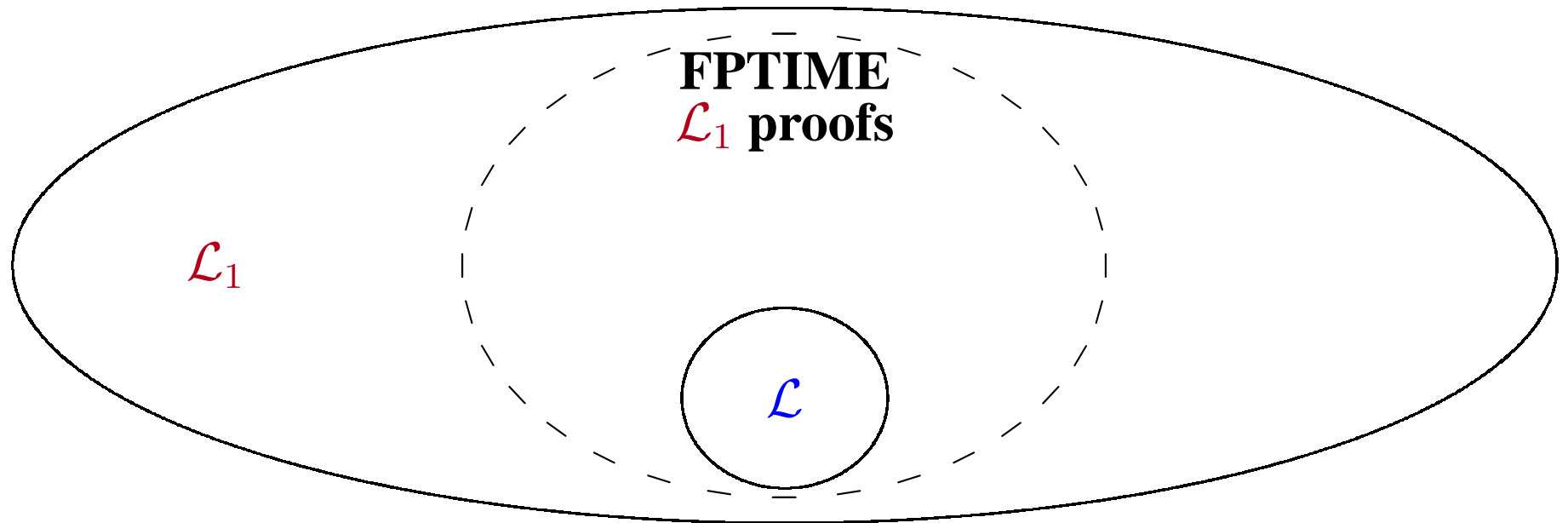
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A Logic \mathcal{L} characterizes FPTIME if:

- **Soundness:** Every proof/program in \mathcal{L} can be evaluated in polynomial time.
- **Extensional Completeness:** Every TM computing a function in FPTIME can be **simulated** by means of a proof/program in \mathcal{L} .

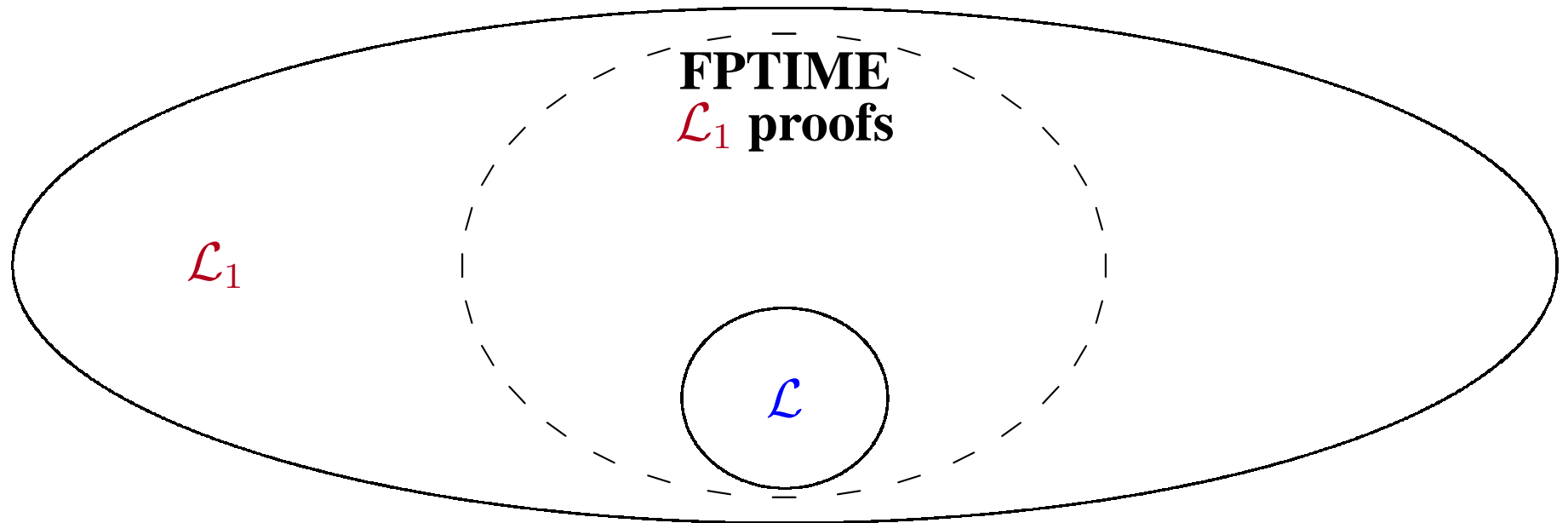
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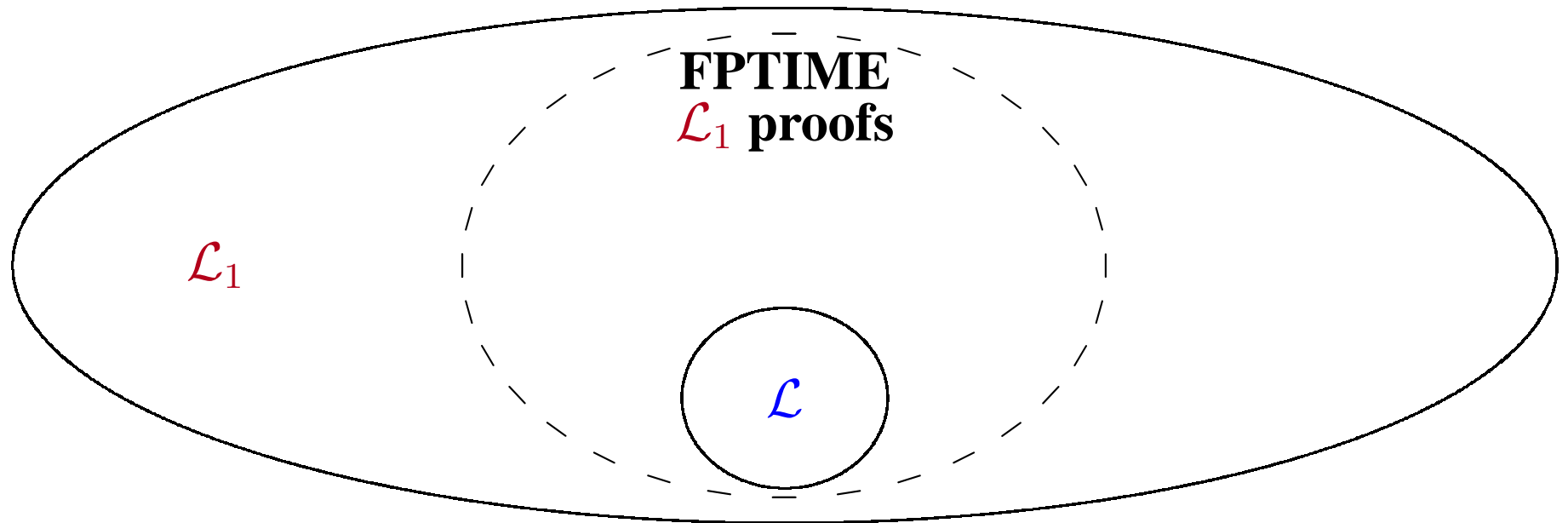


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- **Recurrent idea:** Allows **definitions by iteration** of polynomials but **forbids dangerous iterations** of polynomials.

Road-map

System	Soundness	Extensional Completeness	Intensional Completeness	Decidability
Bounded Recursion on Notation	X	X	X	
Predicative Recursion on Notation	X	X		X
Light Affine Logic	X	X		X
Bounded Linear Logic	X	X	\approx	

First approach: Bounded Recursion on notation

The first implicit characterization of FPTIME [Cobham65] uses **BRN**:

$$\begin{aligned}f(\epsilon, \vec{y}) &= g(\vec{y}) \\f(\mathbf{0}x, \vec{y}) &= h_0(x, \vec{y}, f(x, \vec{y})) \\f(\mathbf{1}x, \vec{y}) &= h_1(x, \vec{y}, f(x, \vec{y})) \\f(x, \vec{y}) &\leq k(x, \vec{y})\end{aligned}$$

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Pros:

- + No explicit machine model.
- + Very expressive.

Cons:

- The bound is not really implicit.
- The bound is difficult to check (undecidable!).

Second approach: Predicative Recursion on notation

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- + The bound is no more explicit.
- + Simple syntactic criterion.

Cons:

- Poor expressivity.
- Inherently first order.

Stratification

Paradox as the worst complexity...

Through the proofs-as-programs correspondence Intuitionistic Logic with type fixpoints corresponds to a system of recursive types.

$$\frac{}{\mathbf{x} : A \vdash \mathbf{x} : A} \text{ (Ax)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash N : A \quad \Delta, \mathbf{x} : A \vdash M : B}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash M[\mathbf{x}/N]B} \text{ (cut)}$$

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Non termination is the worst use of resource

For what follows it is instructive to look how $(\lambda x.xx)\lambda x.xx$ can be typed using the fixpoint $A = A \Rightarrow \perp$:

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{x : A \vdash x : A \quad x : \perp \vdash x : \perp}{x : A, x : A \Rightarrow \perp \vdash xx : \perp} (\Rightarrow L)}{x : A, x : A \vdash xx : \perp} (= L)}{x : A \vdash xx : \perp} (c)}{\vdash \lambda x.xx : A \Rightarrow \perp} (\Rightarrow R)}{\vdash (\lambda x.xx)\lambda x.xx : \perp} (cut)$$

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Remark: contraction is necessary.

Intuitionistic Linear Logic with fixpoints: ILL_μ

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Non termination in ILL_μ

Obviously $(\lambda x.xx)\lambda x.xx$ is typable in ILL_μ by means of the type fixpoint $A = !A \multimap \perp$ (which is the usual translation of $A = A \Rightarrow \perp$).

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Remark: contraction, **promotion** and **dereliction** are necessary.

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- Second idea: control the other structural rules:
 - i) **Proof Stratification**.
 - ii) Avoiding the **monoidality** of !.

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Non-stratification of a proof in Linear Logic.

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This can be iterated to obtain an **exponential** at each fixed depth i .

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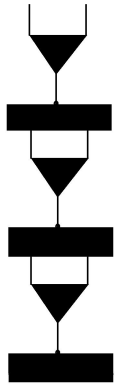
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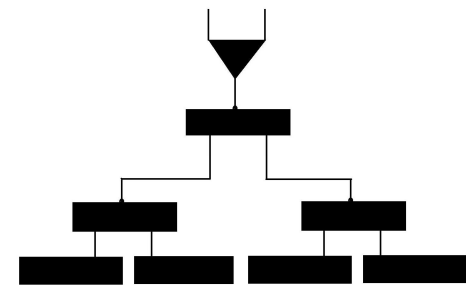
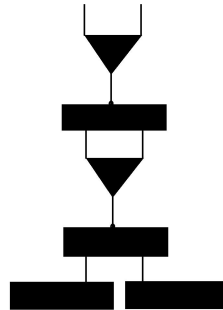
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The exponential blow-up

Most complex element



Most complex element reduced



- The duplication of boxes depending over (more than one) free variables allows exponential time normalization.
- Limiting this kind of behavior corresponds to reduce the complexity of the normalization to polynomial time.

Light Affine Logic

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma \subseteq \{B\}}{! \Gamma \vdash ! A} \quad (p)$$

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The restriction on the (p) rule corresponds to rule out the law:

$$!A_1 \otimes \dots \otimes !A_n \multimap !A$$

The rules (d) corresponds to re-introduce a weak version of it:

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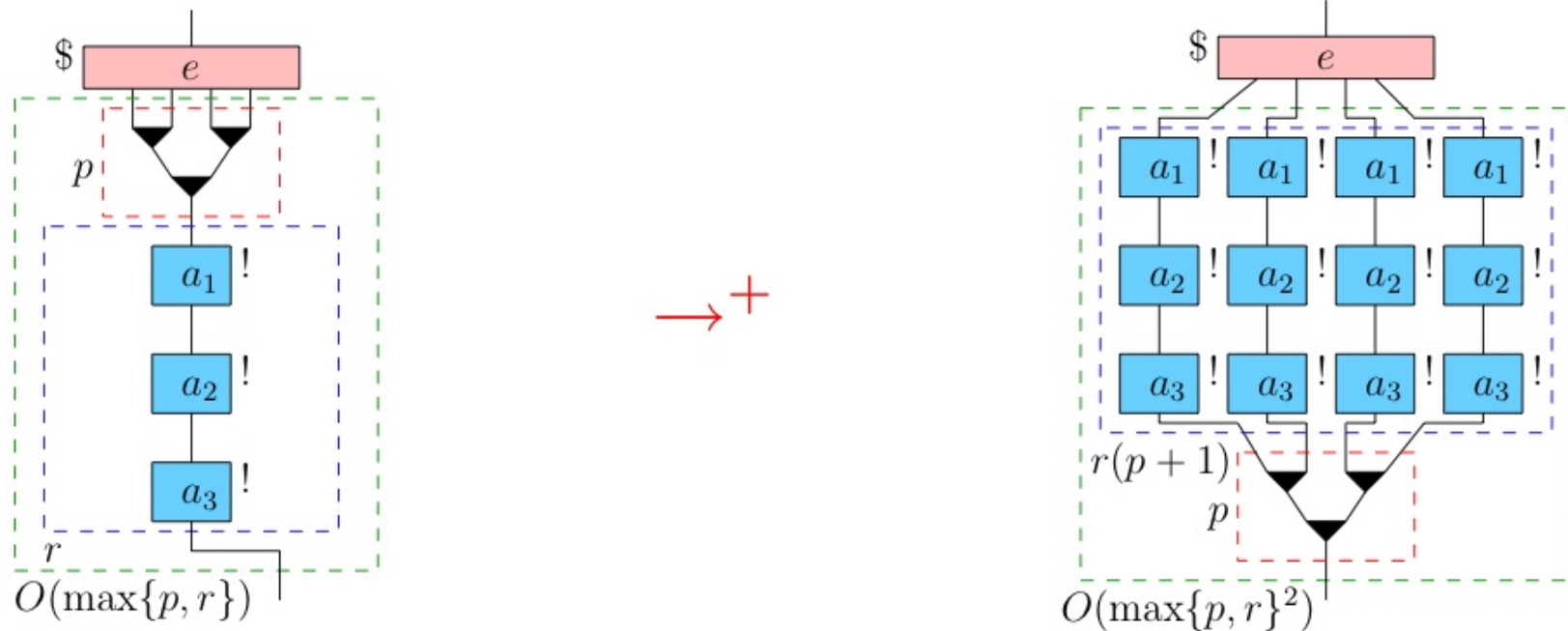
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- $!$ -boxes ((p) rules) **can** be duplicated.
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A sketch of LAL soundness - 1



The size $|\Pi|_j$ of depth $i < j$ becomes (at most) $|\Pi|_j^2$ at each round i .

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A sketch of LAL soundness - 3

The size of the proof Π after the stratified reduction is bounded by:

$$O\left(|\Pi|^{2^d}\right)$$

□ d is the maximal depth of a rule in Π .

The same method can be used to reason about reduction steps, hence this gives a bound on the number of β -normalization steps.

Note: in LAL, data types have a fixed depth. This means that the depth depends just on the program part, hence we can work in polynomial time.

A sketch of LAL Completeness

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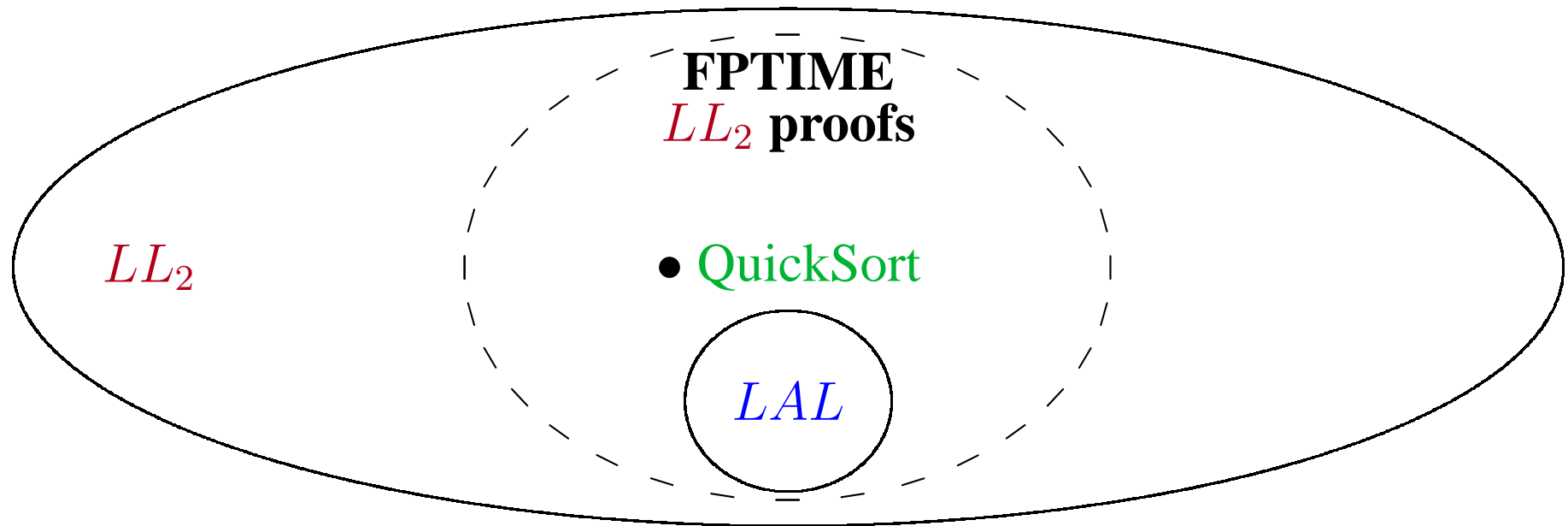
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- By some manipulations we can obtain FPTIME Turing machines as:

$$\mathbf{t} : \mathbf{W} \multimap \mathbb{N}^{2d+1} \mathbf{W}$$

Lack of Expressivity



Back to Boundedness

Bounded Linear Logic - 1

One of the earliest examples of a Linear Logic system capturing FPTIME.

Formulas:

$$A ::= \alpha(p_1, \dots, p_n) \mid A \otimes A \mid A \multimap A \mid \forall \alpha. A \mid !_{x < p} A$$

The idea is very simple:

$$!_{x < 5} A = A[0/x] \otimes \dots \otimes A[4/x]$$

However, the technicalities are increased by the fact that p is in general a polynomial expression, e.g.

$$!_{x < y^2} A = A[0/x] \otimes \dots \otimes A[y^2 - 1/x]$$

This is however also its strength.

Bounded Linear Logic - 2

Rules:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma, !_{x < w} A \vdash B} (w) \quad \frac{\Gamma, A[x := 0] \vdash B}{\Gamma, !_{x < 1+w} A \vdash B} (d)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, !_{x < p} A, !_{x < q} A[x := p + x] \vdash B}{\Gamma, !_{x < p+q+w} A \vdash B} (c)$$

$$\frac{!_{z < q_1(x)} A_1[y := v_1(x) + z], \dots, !_{z < q_n(x)} A_n[y := v_n(x) + z] \vdash B}{!_{y < v_i(p)+w_1} A_1, \dots, !_{y < v_n(p)+w_n} A_n \vdash !_{x < p} B} (p)$$

where $v_i(x) = \sum_{z < x} q_i(z)$.

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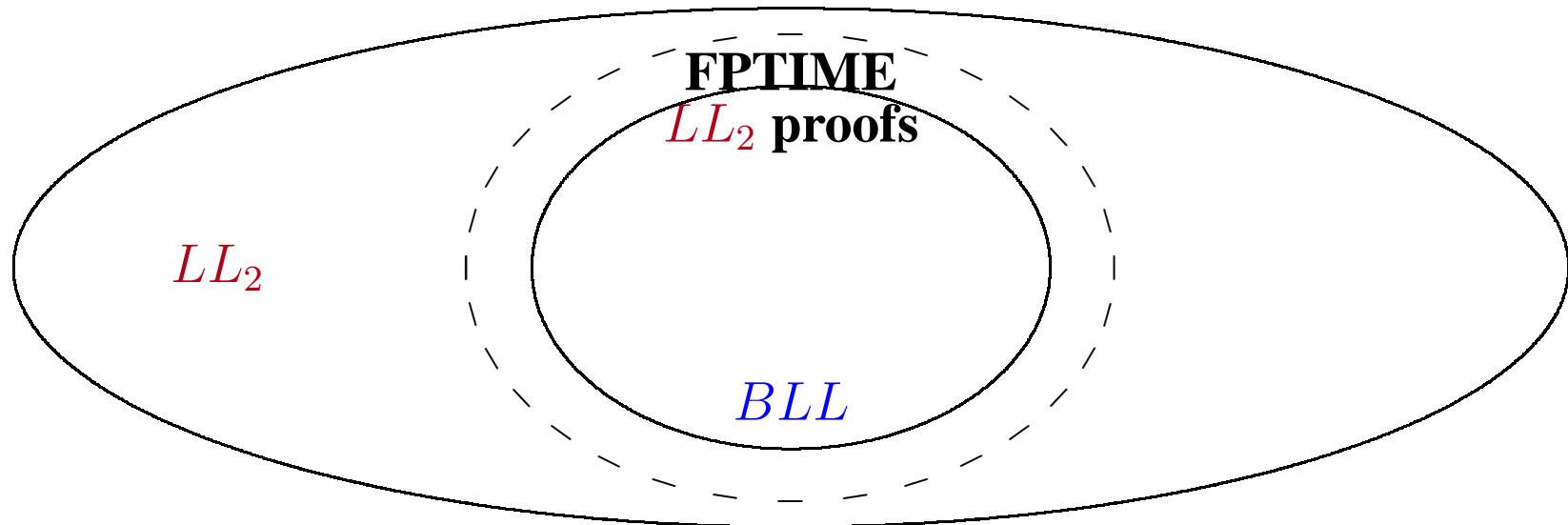
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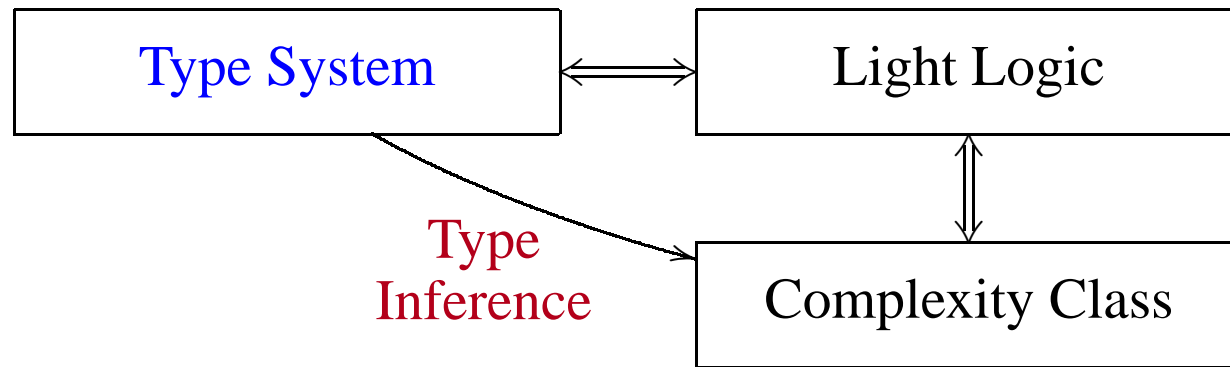
- The “bounding” part can be seen as a kind of **extra-conditions**. As an example:

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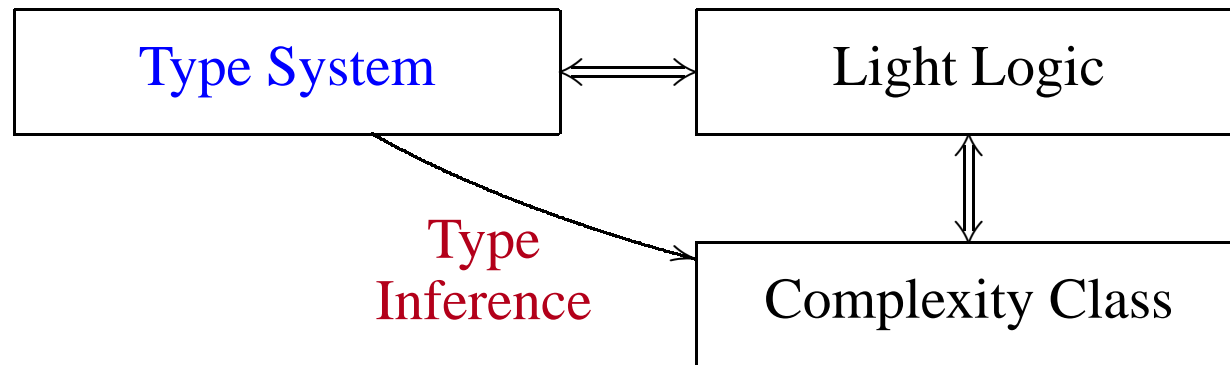
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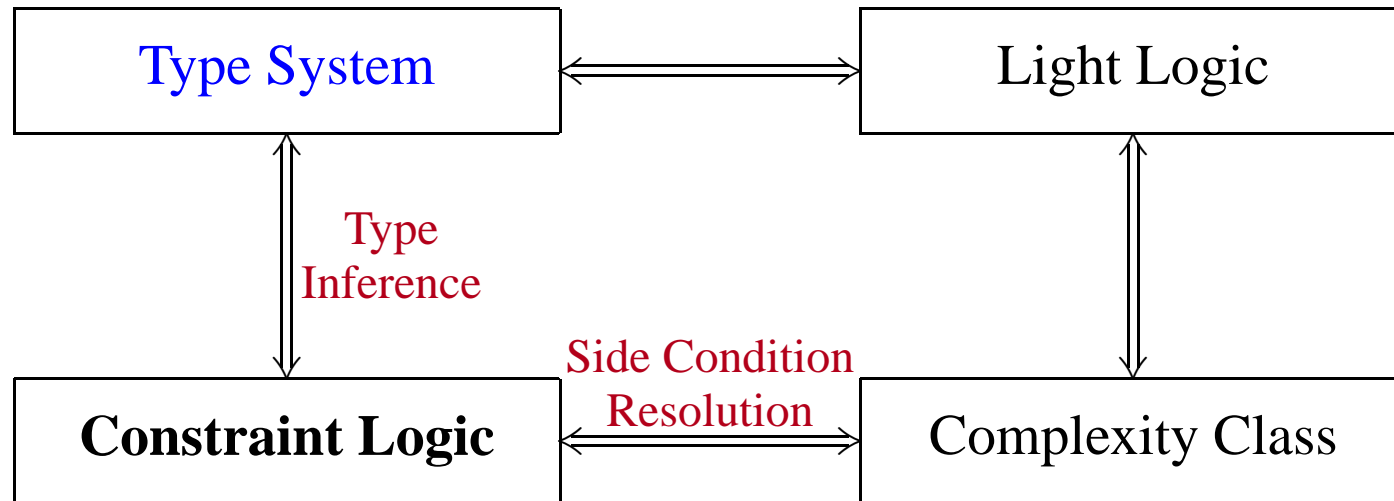


This approach is effective, flexible and robust:

- Type Inference usually decidable in polynomial time.
- Useful to characterize different complexity classes: FPTIME, ELEMENTARY, FPSPACE, FNPTIME, FEXPTIME.
- With minor modifications they are useful for: higher-order, different recursion schemes, control operators, multithreading and side effects.

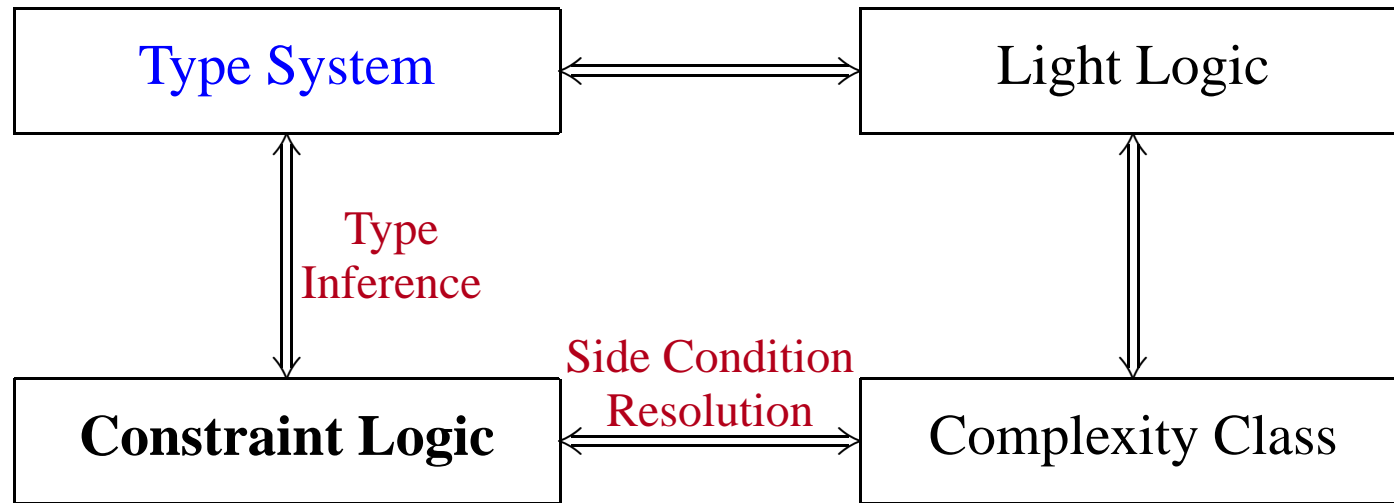
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- This approach can give a system that is relatively complete with respect to the solvability of the side conditions by an oracle.
- This gives a general method to analyze program complexity.
- A similar approach has been used in an interactive framework for the class LOGSPACE.

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