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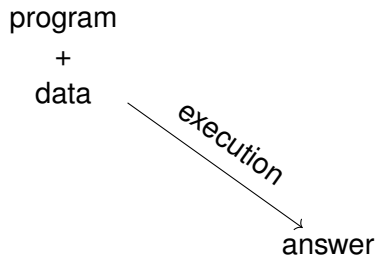


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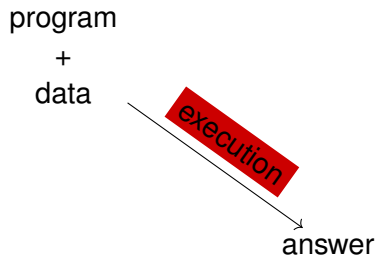
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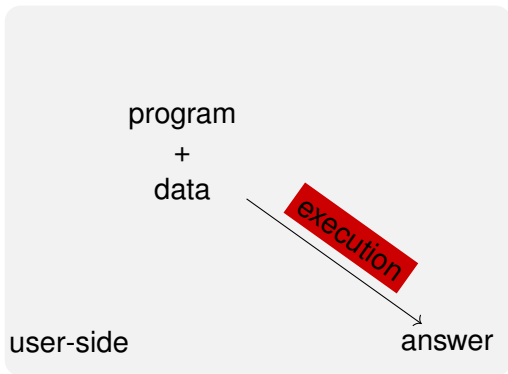


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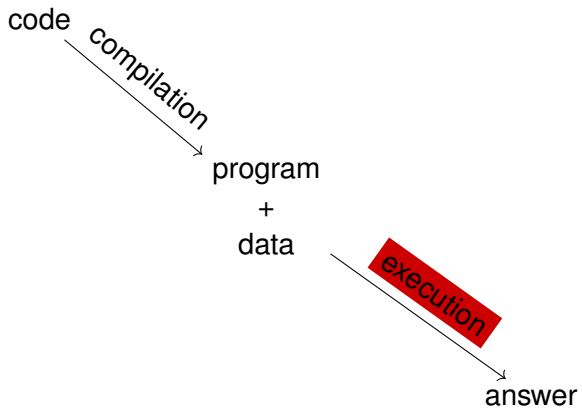


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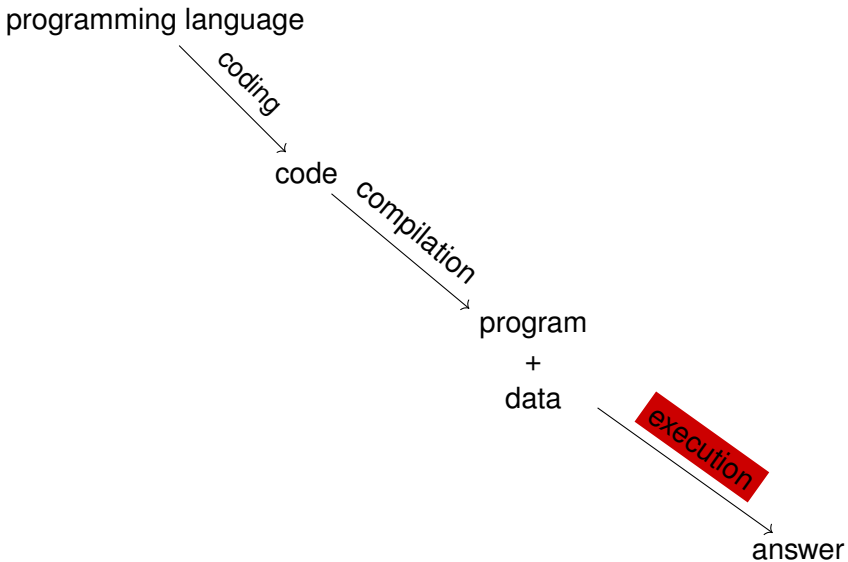
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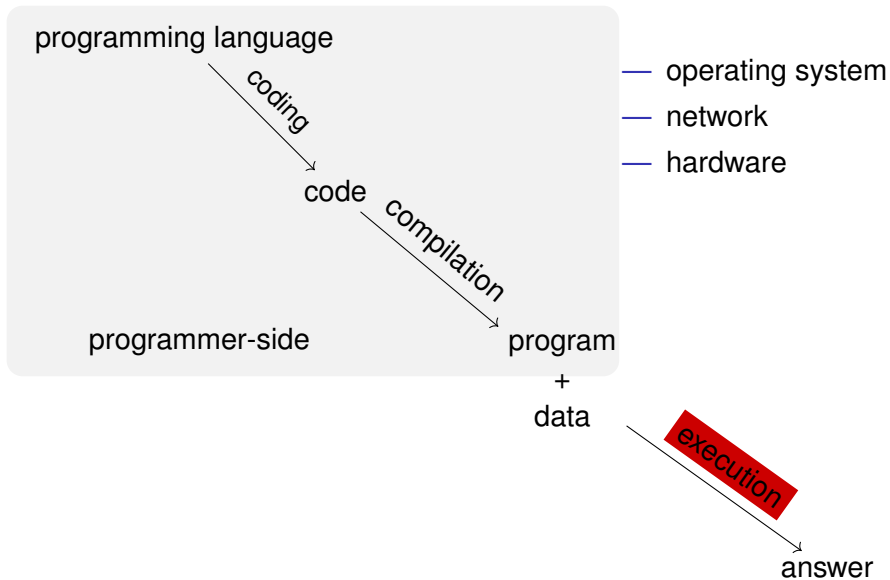
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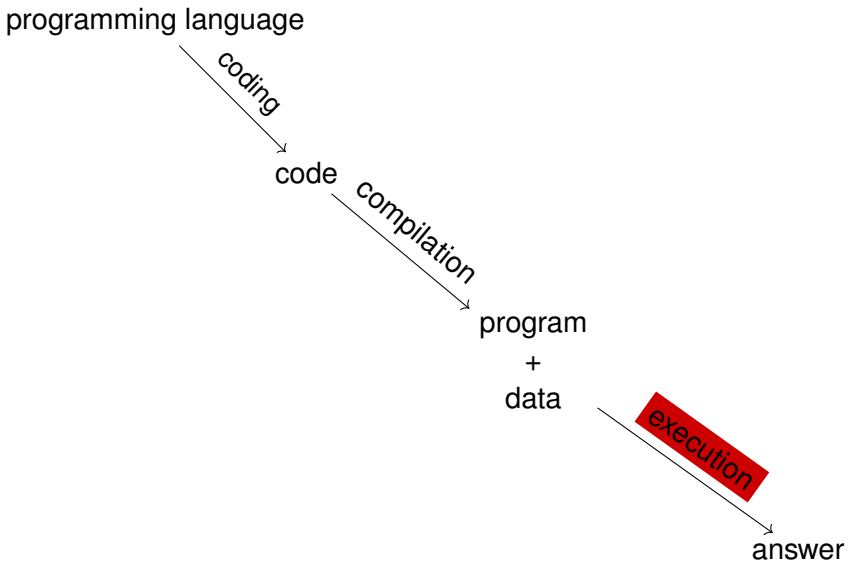
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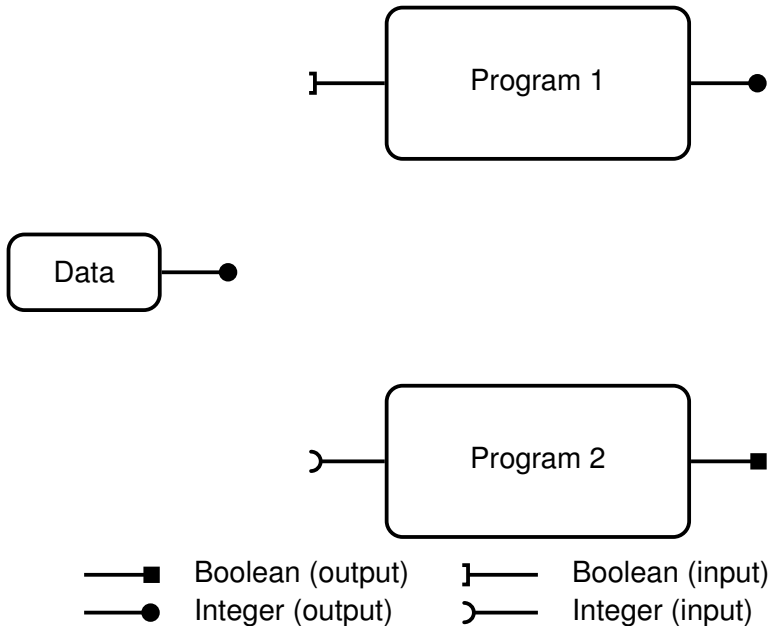
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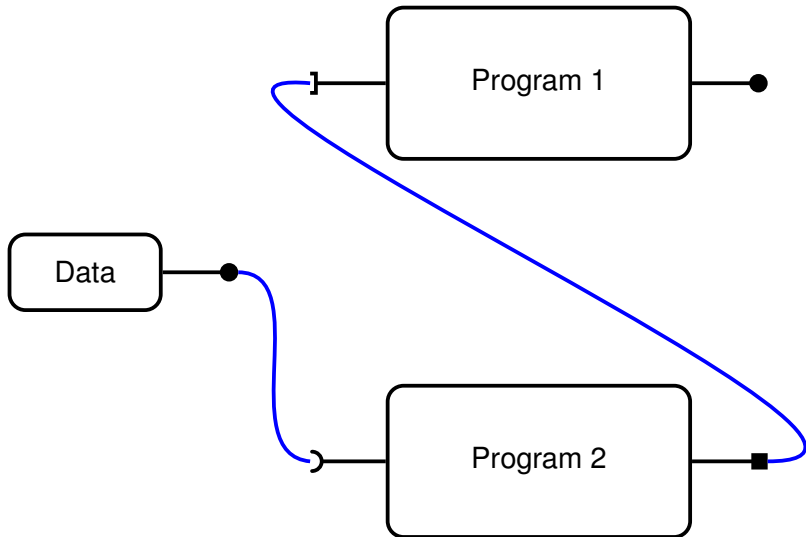
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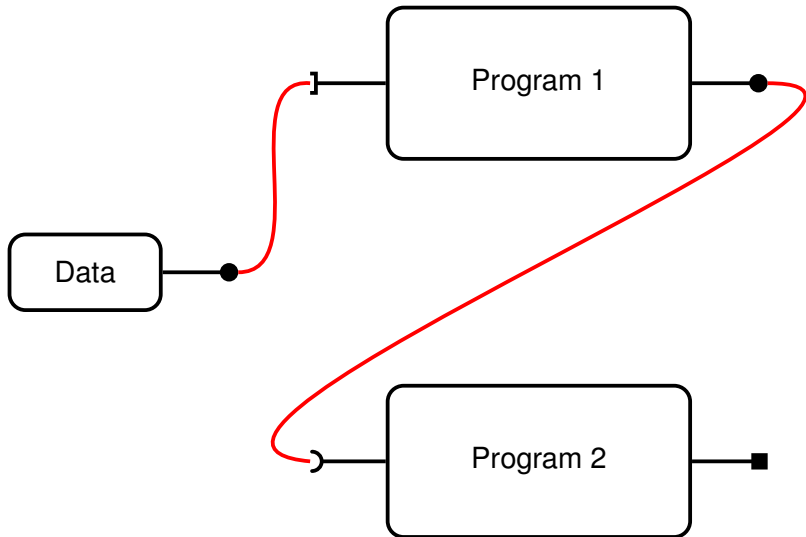


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Some Achievements

- Fine-grained type systems for **Ptime**, **L**, **NL**, **Pspace**, etc.
- Differential privacy (Gaboardi et al., 2013)
- Computation over the reals (Férée et al., 2015)

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$$\text{Storage} \quad \frac{!_y \Gamma \vdash A}{!_{xy} \Gamma \vdash !_x A}$$

$$\text{Weakening} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma, !_0 A \vdash B}$$

$$\text{Contraction} \quad \frac{\Gamma, !_x A, !_y A \vdash B}{\Gamma, !_x A \vdash B}$$

$$\text{Dereliction} \quad \frac{\Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma, !_1 A \vdash B}$$

(Girard et al., 1992, p. 18)

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(Ibarra, 1971, p. 88)

2NFA(k, p)

For $k \geq 1$, $p \geq 0$, a 2-way non-deterministic finite automaton with k -heads and p pushdown stacks is a tuple

$M = \{\mathbf{S}, A, B, \triangleright, \triangleleft, \sqcup, \sigma\}$ where:

- \mathbf{S} is the finite set of states;
- A is the input alphabet, B is the stack alphabet;
- \triangleright and \triangleleft are the left and right endmarkers, $\triangleright, \triangleleft \notin A$;
- \sqcup is the bottom symbol of the stack, $\sqcup \notin B$;
- $\sigma \subseteq (\mathbf{S} \times (A \cup \{\triangleright, \triangleleft\})^k \times (B \cup \{\sqcup\})^p) \times (\mathbf{S} \times \{-1, 0, +1\}^k \times \{\text{pop}, \text{peek}, \text{push}(b)\}^p)$

$2\text{NFA}(k, p) = \{\mathcal{L}(M) \mid M \text{ a } 2\text{NFA}(k, p)\}$

$2\text{NFA}(*, p) = \cup_{k \geq 1} 2\text{NFA}(k, p)$

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Question

Can we use those results to develop disciplined programming languages?

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 - First-order Terms
 - Flows and Wirings
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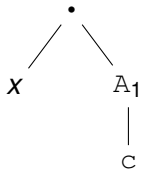
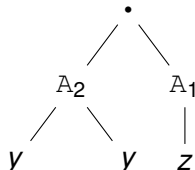
Used in ...

- Prolog, Datalog
- Type-inference in Haskell and ML
- Models of Linear Logic (Baillot and Pedicini, 2001; Girard, 2013)

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$$\begin{array}{l}
 t, u \quad := \quad c, d, \dots \quad \in C \\
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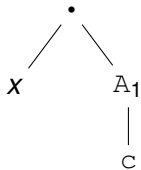
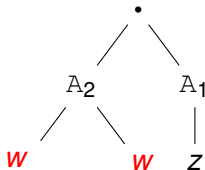
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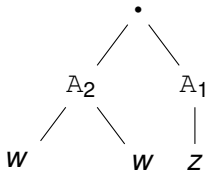
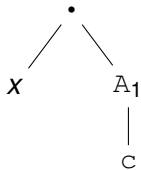
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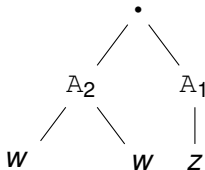
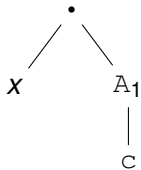
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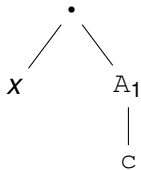
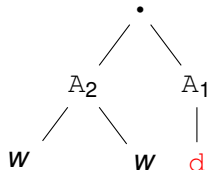
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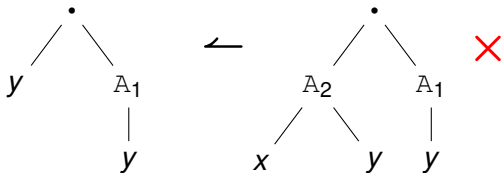
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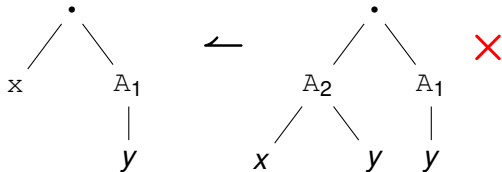
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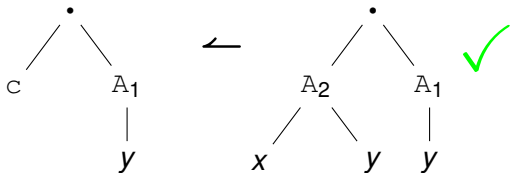
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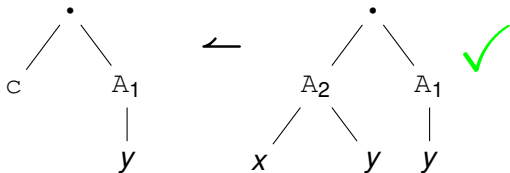
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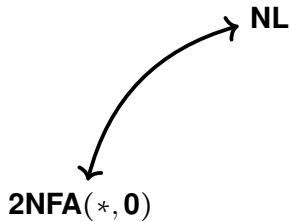
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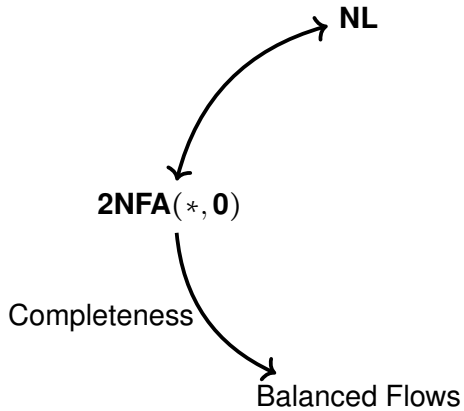
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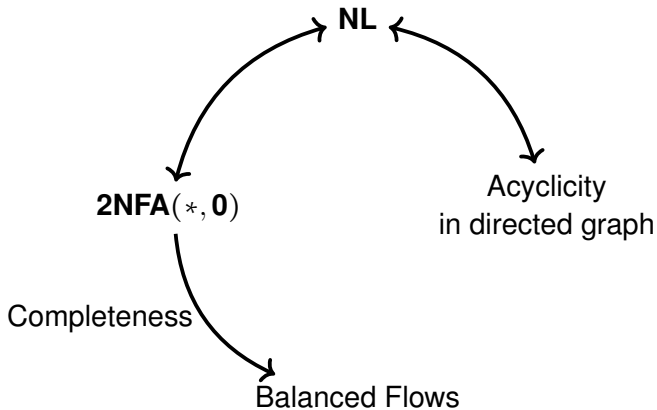
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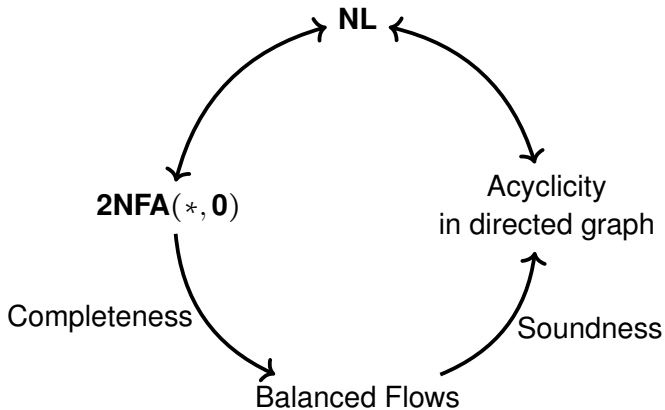
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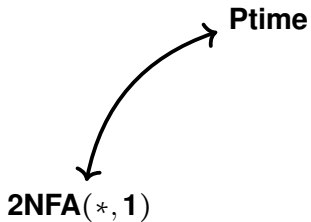


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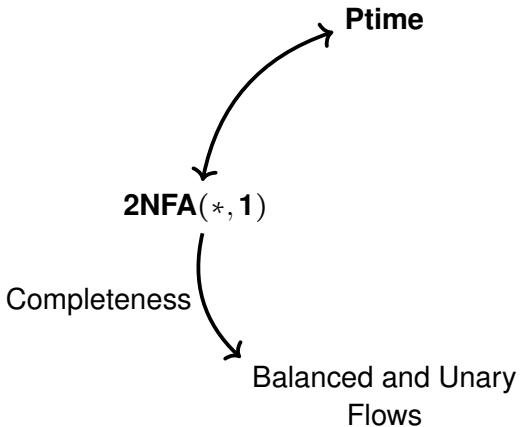


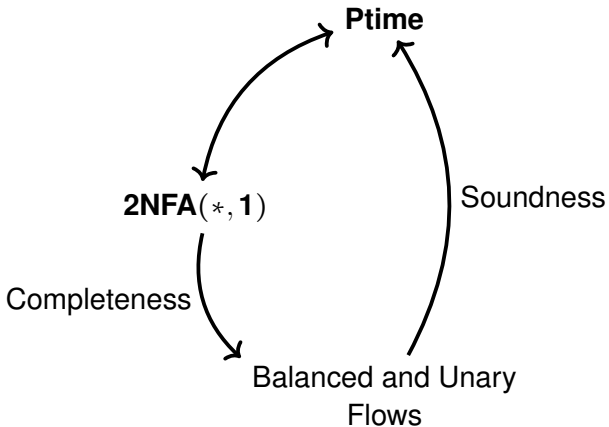


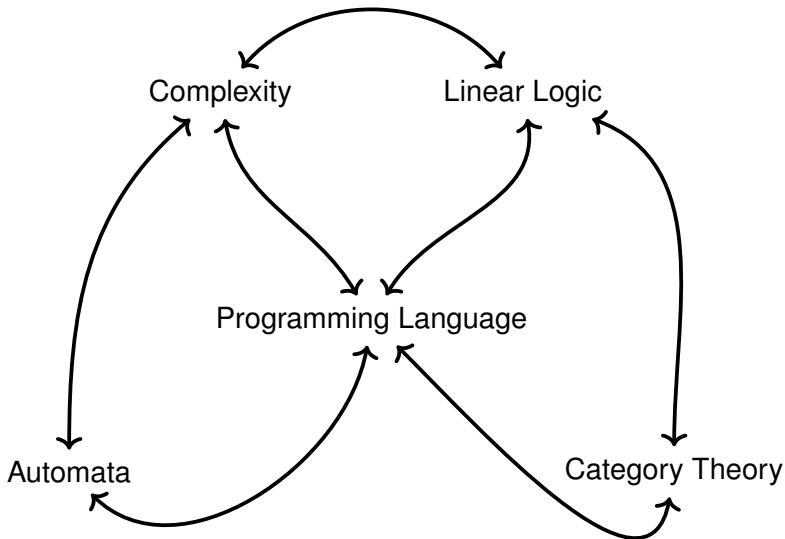




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