

# Coherent Tietze Transformations of 1-Polygraphs in Homotopy Type Theory

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Part I

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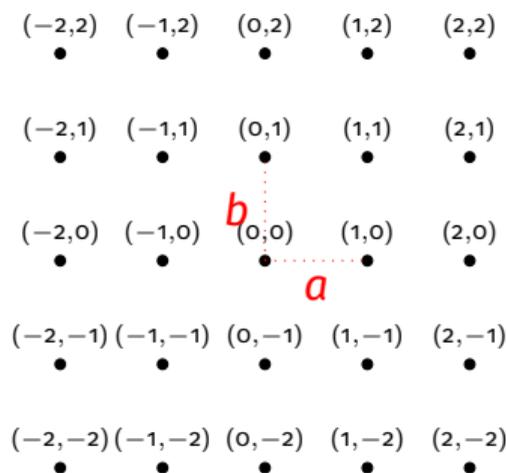
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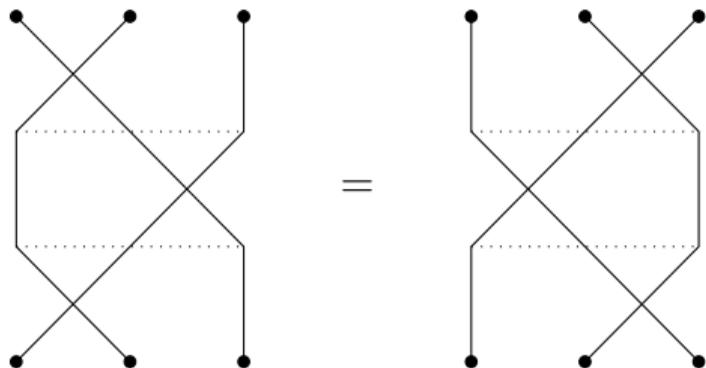
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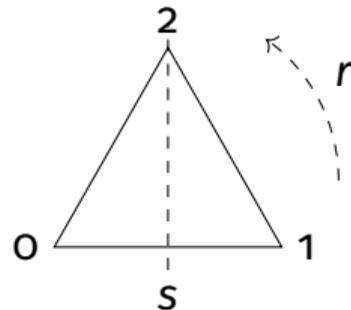
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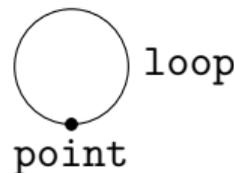
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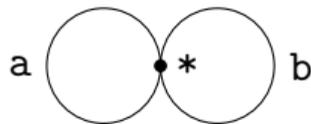
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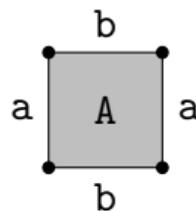
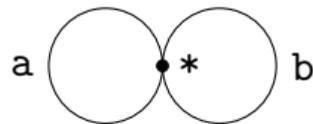
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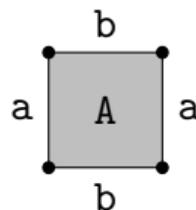
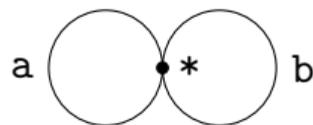
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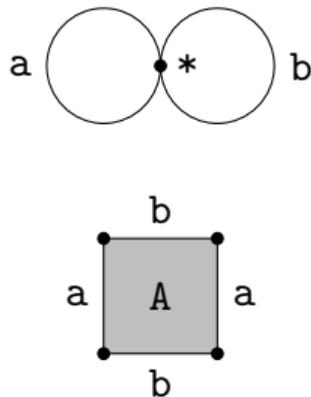
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## Part III

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This is akin abstract rewriting systems vs string/term rewriting systems.

Claim: all the developments should generalize in higher dimensions.

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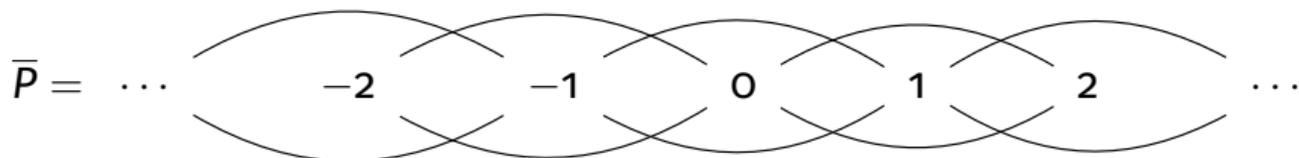
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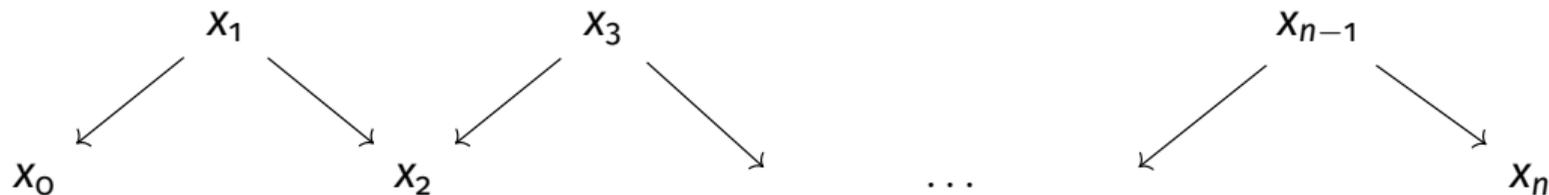
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## 1-polygraphs: paths

A 1-polygraph is nothing but a type-theoretic graph.

We write  $P^*(x, y)$  or  $x \xrightarrow{*} y$  for the type of non-directed paths  
(composable sequences of possibly reversed 1-generators)



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$$(P \uparrow_{\circ} \partial)' \equiv P' \sqcup X \quad (P \uparrow_{\circ} \partial)(x, y) \equiv \begin{cases} P(x, y) & \text{if } x : P' \text{ and } y : P' \\ x = \partial(y) & \text{if } x : P' \text{ and } y : X \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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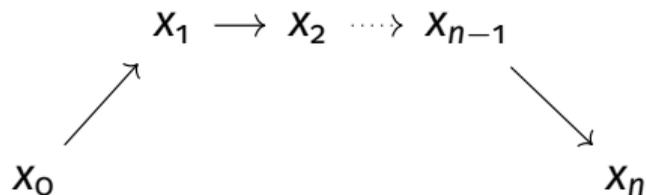
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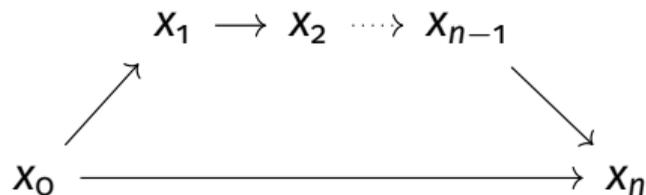
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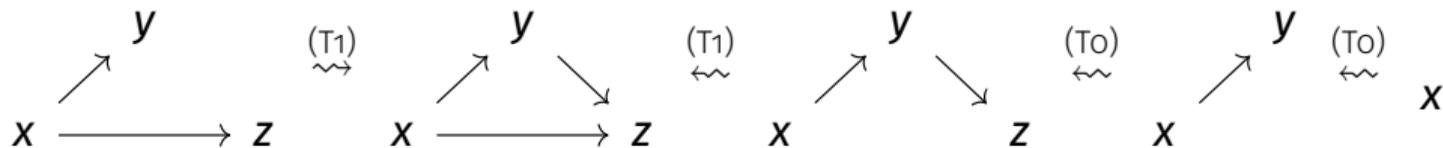
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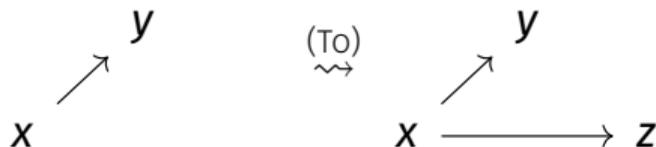
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## Proof.

We have to show that this is the case for all elementary Tietze transformations, which can be done by constructing an equivalence. □

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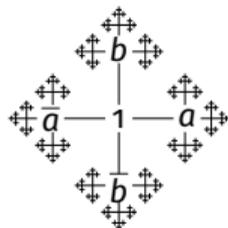
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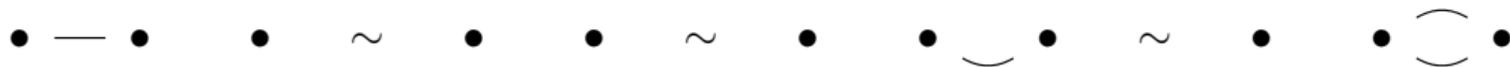
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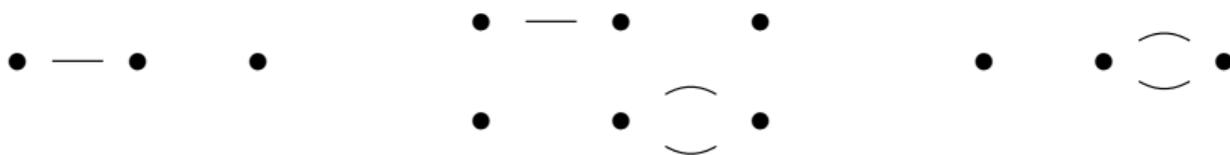


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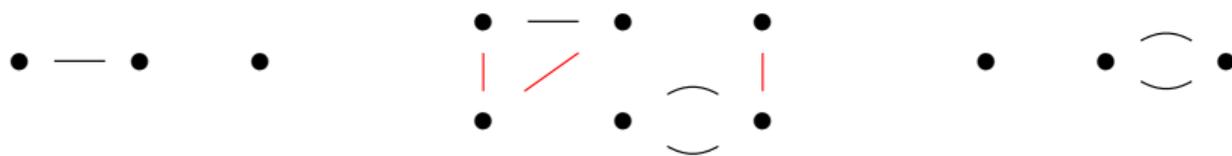


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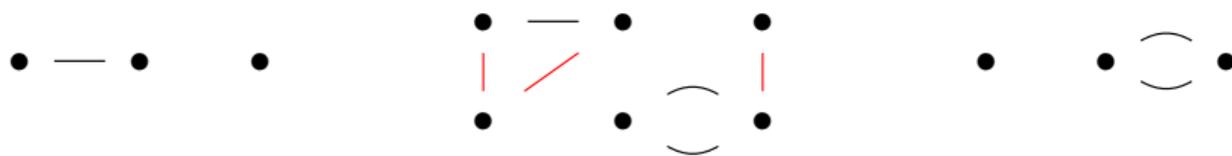


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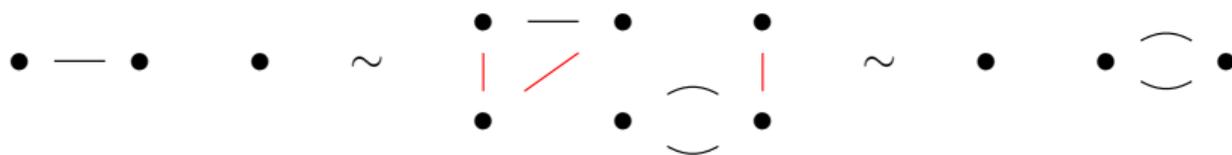


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## Part IV

# Coherent Tietze transformations

Questions ?