Finding bases in linear categories using rewriting.

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## Outline

I. Rewriting theory
II. String rewriting
III. Rewriting in linear 2-categories
IV. Extension to rewriting modulo

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## Knuth-Bendix completion

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    \(\mathcal{K} \mathcal{B}(R):=R\);
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while \(\mathcal{C}_{b} \neq \emptyset\) do
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