

# CSLib

## The Lean Computer Science Library

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- Scale up formal computer science and programming by building a common infrastructure. CSLib – [www.cslib.io](http://www.cslib.io)

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- ★ Done in collaboration with the Lean community and FOM.

# Governance



- Steering Group (strategy, funding)
  - Clark Barrett, Swarat Chaudhuri, Jim Grundy, Pushmeet Kohli, Fabrizio Montesi, Leonardo de Moura.
- Maintainer Group (technical leadership and supervision)
  - Lead Maintainer: Fabrizio Montesi
  - Tech Leads: Alexandre Rademaker, Sorrachai Yingchareonthawornchai
  - Area Maintainers: Chris Henson, Kim Morrison
- Discussions on GitHub, Zulip, Email, ...
  - <https://github.com/leanprover/cslib/graphs/contributors>

# Who is CSLib for?



- Researchers
  - Verify your claims.
  - Speed up your development.
  - Consolidate and offer your findings through our APIs.

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- Researchers
- Educators & Learners
  - Explore CS through a unified language.
  - Interact with the tool.

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- Researchers
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- Programmers
  - Use CSLib components to write reliable software.
  - Use CSLib's languages and logics to model and implement systems.
  - Use CSLib's verification infrastructure to verify new and old code.

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  - Train AI on CSLib.
  - Increase the production of specs, programs, and proofs.

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- Interdisciplinary Researchers
  - Explore the application of formal methods to provide actionable information to users.

# Where are we now?

Credits:

<https://github.com/leanprover/cslib/graphs/contributors>

# Current structure



Cslib/

Algorithms/

Computability/

Foundations/ **# General, reusable foundations**

Languages/ **# Modelling and programming**

Logics/ **# Various logics for reasoning**

[more to come...]

# Current structure



Many answers found!

A lot more questions lie ahead...

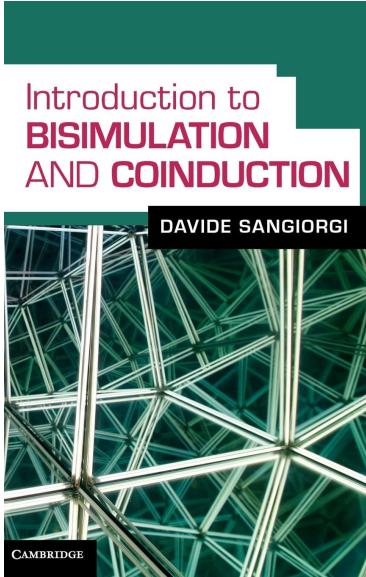
# Foundations



- ★ Labelled Transition Systems.
  - Classes of LTSs (image-finite, deterministic, etc.)
  - Bisimilarity, weak bisimilarity.
  - Similarity.
  - Trace equivalence (w/ inclusion in bisimilarity).
- ★ Reduction systems.
  - Lots about relations (confluence, etc.).
- ★ Freer monads.



Grind-first approach. (See Chris' talk tomorrow!)



# Foundations



Grind-first approach.

```
117  130  /-- The inverse of a bisimulation is a bisimulation. -/
118  - theorem Bisimulation.inv (h : Bisimulation lts r) :
119  -   Bisimulation lts (flip r) := by
120  -   simp only [Bisimulation] at h
121  -   simp only [Bisimulation]
122  -   intro s1 s2 hrinv μ
123  -   constructor
124  -   case left =>
125  -     intro s1' htr
126  -     specialize h s2 s1 hrinv μ
127  -     have h' := h.2 s1' htr
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131 + @[grind]
132 + theorem Bisimulation.inv (h : lts.IsBisimulation r) :
133 +   lts.IsBisimulation (flip r) := by grind [flip]
```

# Languages



## ★ $\lambda$ -calculus.

- Untyped, typed (STLC, System Fsub).
- Alternative formalisations of  $\alpha$ -equivalence: named (standard), locally nameless, well-scoped (WIP).

## ★ Calculus of Communicating Systems (CCS).

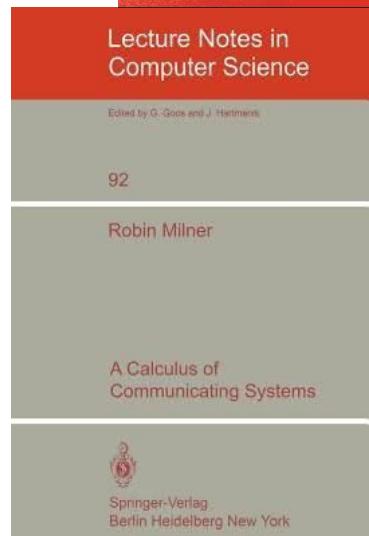
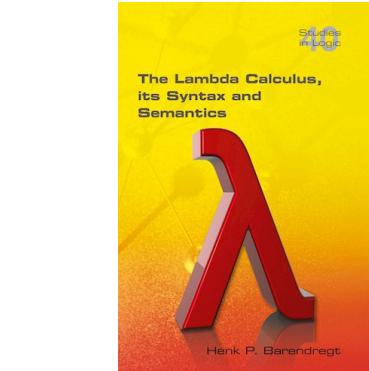
- Behavioural theory, w/ equivalences and proof that bisimilarity is a congruence.

## ★ Combinatory Logic (SKI).

- Rice's theorem.



Generality; reusable APIs.



# Languages



## Generality; reusable APIs.

```
-- A type `α` has a computable `fresh` function if it is always possible, for any finite set
of `α`, to compute a fresh element not in the set. -/
class HasFresh (α : Type u) where
  -- Given a finite set, returns an element not in the set. -/
  fresh : Finset α → α
  -- Proof that `fresh` returns a fresh element for its input set. -/
  fresh_notMem (s : Finset α) : fresh s ∉ s
```

## ★ Linear Logic.

- Sequent calculus.
- Many logical equivalences.
  - $a \otimes 0 \equiv 0$ ,  $a \otimes (b \oplus c) \equiv (a \otimes b) \oplus (a \otimes c)$ , etc.
- $\eta$ -expansion (proven correct).
- Phase semantics.

## ★ WIP: Propositional Logic.

 Derivations are in Type; notation can be controversial; ‘pray to grind’ for dealing with Multiset rewriting.

LINEAR LOGIC : ITS SYNTAX AND  
SEMANTICS

Jean-Yves Girard

# Logics



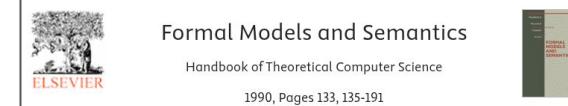
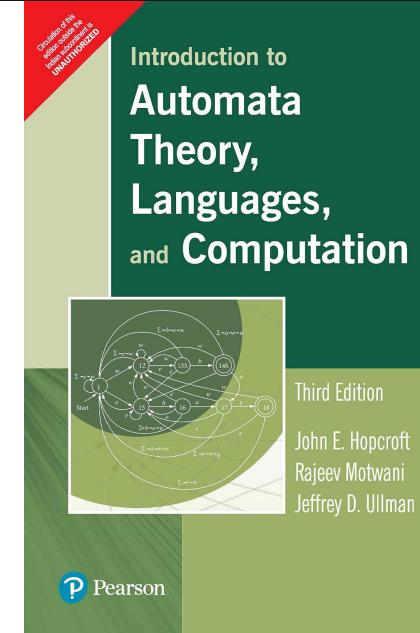
```
.rwConclusion (by grind : 1± ::m {1} = {1, 1±})
```

# Automata and Their Languages



- ★ Deterministic and nondeterministic automata based on labelled transition systems.
- ★ Acceptors for finite and infinite words (generalisations of DFA, NFA,  $\epsilon$ NFA, Büchi, Muller, etc.).
- ★ Theory of  $\omega$ -languages and  $\omega$ -regular languages.

 Interactions between Labelled Transition Systems and Automata.



CHAPTER 4 - Automata on Infinite Objects

Wolfgang THOMAS

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-- Nondeterministic Muller automaton. -/
structure Muller (State Symbol : Type*) extends NA State Symbol where
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  accept : Set (Set State)
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LTS images:

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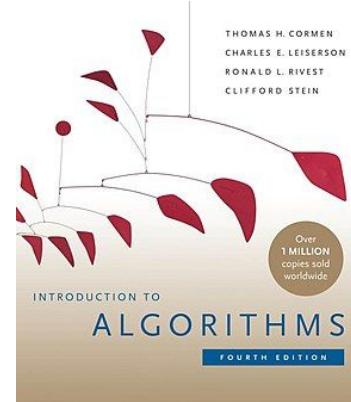
Plus general results on infinite executions and saturation (not shown).

# Algorithms



- ★ Framework for writing algorithms and proving their time complexity in terms of atomic operations.
  - MergeSort (functional correctness, time complexity on number of comparisons).
  - WIP: more algorithms, space complexity, more automation.
- ★ WIP: Framework based on query models.
  - Separate definition of query model.
  - Algorithms perform queries.

 Balancing robustness with ergonomics.



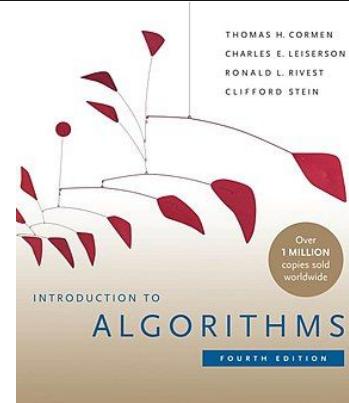
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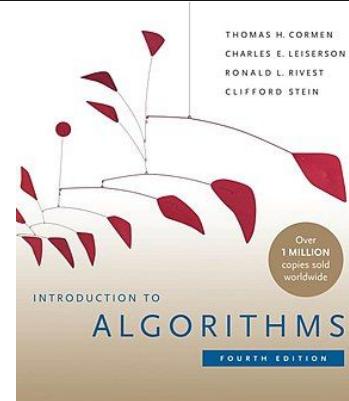
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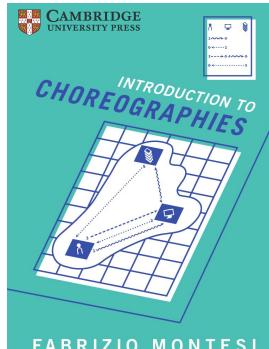


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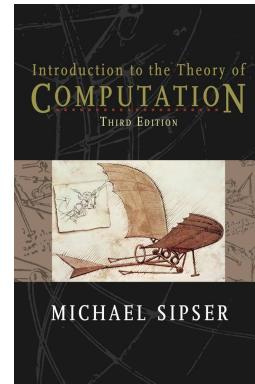
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- More Computer Science.
  - ◆ Database theory.
  - ◆ Cost|Probabilistic|Denotational|\* semantics.
  - ◆ Concurrency theory (Petri nets, pi-calculus, etc.).
  - ◆ Choreographic languages (security protocols, choreographic programming, business processes, multiparty session types, etc.).
  - ◆ Logics: modal logics, separation logic, etc.
  - ◆ ...



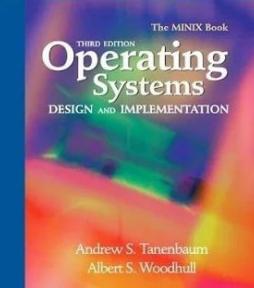
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- Verification infrastructure.
  - ◆ Development of IRs for verification (Boole).
  - ◆ Compilers from mainstream languages to Boole.
  - ◆ Integration of logics with verification infrastructure.

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- More Computer Science.
- Verification infrastructure.
- Programming infrastructure.
  - ◆ Design and implementation of high-level languages with certified compilers.
  - ◆ Bridge to SE: Architecture Description Languages, Design Patterns, Provably-Correct Refactorings, etc.
  - ◆ Integration w/ system middleware (microservices, serverless, etc.).

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