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### Brief history

- ▶ Long time ago: used in logic programming
- ▶ 2005:  $\mathcal{EL}^+$  procedure by F. Baader, C. Lutz, and S. Brandt
- ▶ 2009: Full GALEN classified in a few seconds (Y. Kazakov)
- ▶ 2011: Extended to non-Horn logics

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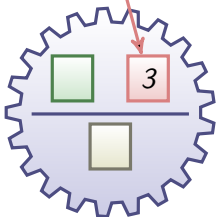
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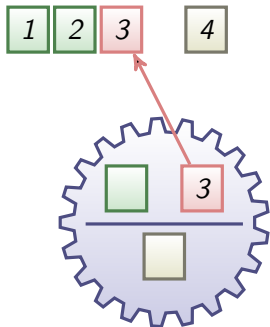
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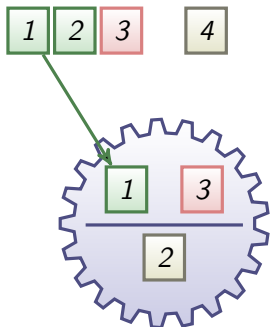
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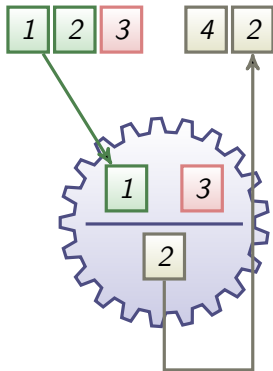
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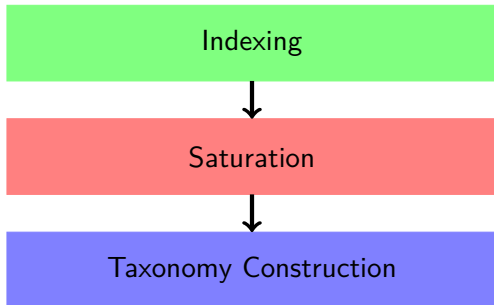
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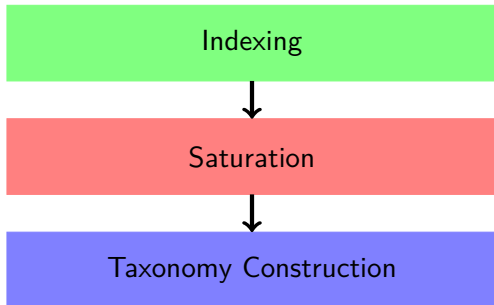
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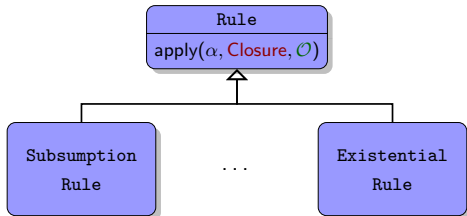
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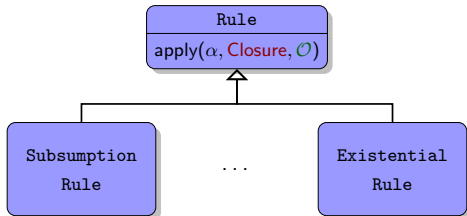
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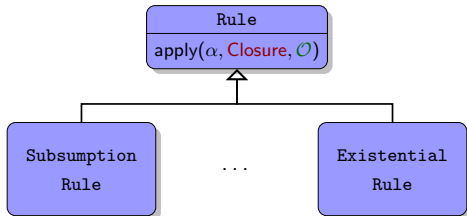


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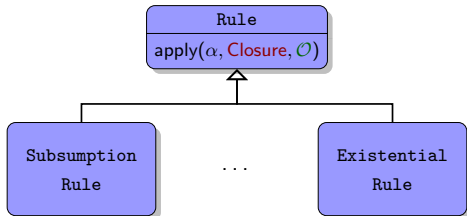
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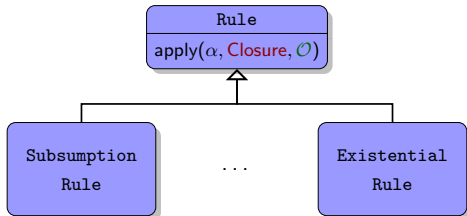
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