Strong Normalization for Simply-Typed Combinatory Algebra with Non-Determinism Using Girard's Reducibility Candidates

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This document provides a formal proof of strong normalization for combinatory algebra with the two combinators S and K and a term former for non-deterministic choice. The result follows from a model construction where each type is interpreted as a reducibility candidate à la Girard. We thus demonstrate in the most simple setting that Girard's method works for non-confluend calculi. In particular, since combinatory algebra is a variable-free language, we forgo the need to define substitution. The proof has been formalized in Agda 2.6.2 and this document reproduces the commented Agda code.

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