The metalogical use of Markov-algorithms

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Markov thesis: Every effective procedure can be simulated by a Markov algorithm and every Markov algorithm is an effective procedure. Therefore, 'definite' and 'decidable' is the same. This is an *empirical* proposition that can be reinforced (although not proved) or refuted by examples.

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Proof: Be $N = \langle C_1,\ C_2, \dots C_n \rangle$. The calculus K will be the union of the calculi $K_1,\ K_2, \dots K_n$ associated to the commands of N plus a calculus K_0.

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$i3.$	$x\Delta_{ij}by \to x\Delta_{i1}by$	$b \in \mathcal{B} - \{b_j\}, 1 \leq j \leq k$
$i4.$	$x\Delta_{ij}b_jy \to xb_j\Delta_{i,j+1}y$	$1 \leq j \leq k$
$i5.$	$x\Delta_{ij} \to \Delta_{i0}x$	$1 \leq j \leq k$
$i6.$	$xu_i\Delta_{i,k+1}y \to xu_iy\Delta^i xv_iy$	

(Δ^i, Δ_{i0}, $\Delta_{i1}, \dots \Delta_{ik}$, $\Delta_{i,k+1}$ are auxiliary letters.)

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Therefore, for any $\mathcal{A}$-string f,

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I.e., K' defines inductively F.

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We have proven (31st March presentation) that the class of autonomous numerals Aut is inductive, but its complement for the class of all numerals, i. e. the class of non-autonomous numerals is not inductive. Therefore, it is not decidable.