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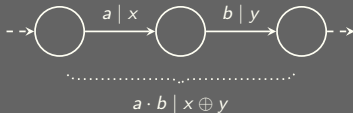
A Pattern Logic for Automata with Outputs

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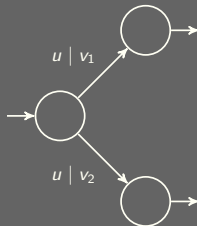
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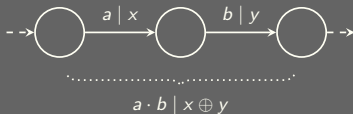
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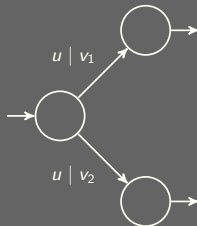
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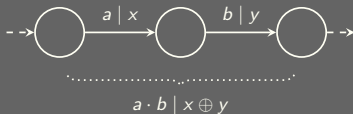


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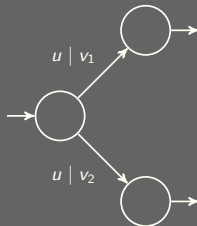
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Classical problems

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- ▶ Inclusion $\llbracket A \rrbracket \subseteq \llbracket B \rrbracket$

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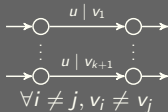
- ▶ **Sequentiality**, input determinism
- ▶ **Ambiguity**, bound on the number of accepting runs for any input
- ▶ **Valuedness**, bound on the number of output values for any input

Structural properties in literature

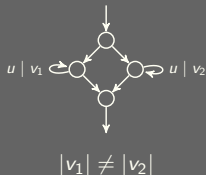
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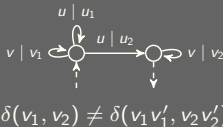
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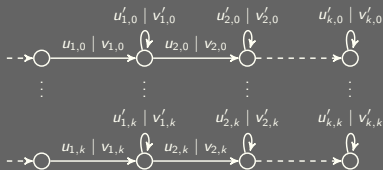
Co-terminal circuits



Fork property



Branching Twining property of order k

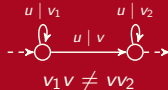


$$\bigwedge_{j \neq j'} \bigvee_{i=1}^k \bigwedge_{i'=1}^i \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{i',j} = u_{i',j'} \\ u_{i',j} = u_{i',j'} \\ \delta(v_{1,j} \dots v_{i,j}, v_{1,j} \dots v_{i,j} v'_{i,j}) \\ \neq \\ \delta(v_{1,j'} \dots v_{i,j'}, v_{1,j'} \dots v_{i,j'} v'_{i,j'}) \end{array} \right.$$

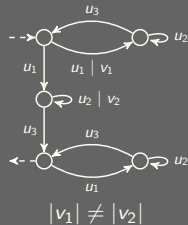
Non-Finite ambiguity



Dumbbell computation



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Contributions

1 Parametric Logic

Sufficient conditions for decidability of the MC problem

2 Some instantiations

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Pattern Logic

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Example: Exponential Ambiguity

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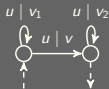
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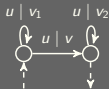
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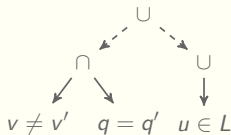
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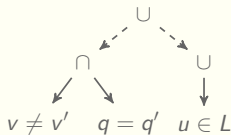


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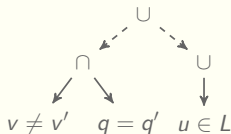


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Sufficient conditions for decidability

- ▶ generalise NFA
- ▶ recognise each predicate (and negation)
- ▶ decide emptiness
- ▶ closed under \cap and \cup

Instances

Logic for NFA: PL_{nfa}

PL_{nfa} defined as $PL[\emptyset]$ over the trivial monoid

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Logics for Sum-Automata: PL_{sum} , PL_{sum}^{\neq}

PL_{sum} defined as $PL[\leq, \in S]$ over $(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0)$

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- ▶ L regular language represented as an NFA
- ▶ S semi-linear set represented as an $\exists\text{FO}[\leq, +, 0, 1]$ formula
- ▶ $t, t' \in \text{Terms}(\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}, +, 0)$

We also consider PL_{sum}^{\neq} defined as $PL^+[\neq]$ over $(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0)$

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- ▶ fixed formula: NP-C \ PTIME

Logic for Transducers : PL_{trans}

PL_{trans} defined as $PL^+[\neq, <_{\text{len}}, \leq_{\text{len}}, \in N, \notin N]$ over $(\Gamma^*, \cdot, \varepsilon)$

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Theorem $\llbracket P \rrbracket = \emptyset$ [Figueira & Libkin 2015]

The emptiness problem of a Parikh Automata is NP-C and NLOGSPACE-C if the dimension is fixed and weights are in $\{0, 1\}$.

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Future works

- ▶ Universal quantifications
- ▶ Better algorithmic complexities
- ▶ Extensions (trees, infinite words)

Thanks

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