Tree Transformations by means of visibly pushdown transducers

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Well-nested words for trees : an example

Encoding

Linearizations of (unranked) trees \subseteq Well-nested words



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$$c_1 \quad c_2 \quad r_2 \quad r_1 \quad c_1 \quad r_2$$

Visibly Pushdown Automata (VPAs) [Alur,Madhusudan,04] VPAs = Pushdown Automata

- running on on a *structured* alphabet $\Sigma = \Sigma_c \uplus \Sigma_r$:
- whose behavior is driven by the input
 - push one stack symbol on call symbols Σ_c
 - pop **one** stack symbol on **return** symbols Σ_r
- accept on empty stack and final state (accepted $\subseteq \Sigma_{wn}^*$) (in this talk)



$$L(A) = \{c^{n} \cdot r_{1} \cdot (r_{1} + r_{2})^{n-1} \mid n > 0\}.$$

MSO for nested words

Logical Structure of Nested Words :



 $\mathsf{MSO}_{\mathsf{nw}}$ formulas :

 $lab_{a}(x) \mid succ(x,y) \mid M(x,y) \mid \exists x.\varphi \mid \exists X.\varphi \mid \varphi \lor \varphi \mid \neg \varphi$

Theorem [Alur, Madhusudan, 04]

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Two-way VPA (2VPA) [Madhusudan,Viswanathan,09] Main features :

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- Type-checking problem : $[T](L_I) \subseteq L_O$
- Closure by composition (when possible)

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- but (deterministic) 2VPT (D2VPT) are not.



$$|T(\mathbf{c}^n \mathbf{r}^n)| = O(n^2)$$

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• Composition is not possible (even for deterministic (one-way) VPT)

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- syntactic restriction
- locally well-nested VPTs produce well-nested words
- closed under composition
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- can this class be decided ?
- is this class closed by composition ? (and thus, has type-checking against VPA is decidable)
- how does it relate to locally well-nested VPT?

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Can we decide local transformations amongst global ones ?

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Several questions but a single tool :

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4 - A new Tool : (Two-way) Visibly Pushdown Parikh Automata

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 $\varphi_S(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 = 2 * x_2 + 1)$ Words containing a factor *cwc* with $w \in (a+b)^*$ and $|w|_a = 2|w|_b + 1$

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Equi-expressive to (non-deterministic) reversal-bounded counter machines [Ibarra,78] (weaker in the deterministic case [Cadilhac, Finkel, McKenzie,11]).

In Parikh automata, counter values (and thus, updates) do not influence the control state evolution.

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Reducing (D)2VPT problems to emptiness of (D)2VPPA

Well-nestedness of (D)2VPT

Globally as many calls as returns. Locally always more calls then returns. dim = 4



 $\varphi = x_3 \neq x_4 \lor x_1 < x_2$

Not well-nested \Leftrightarrow Not empty

Functionality of 2VPT

On the same input word, there exists an output position where two different letters are output in two different computations (essentially).

dim = 2

• Compute a position in the output

$$q_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha, \pm \gamma | w} q_2 \Rightarrow q_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha, \pm \gamma, (|w|, 0)} q_2$$

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• Rewind the input word and start reading again

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Proof Idea :

Reduction of solvability of Diophantine Eq. : P = Q with $P, Q \in \mathbb{N}[\mathcal{X}]$, eg 2xy + zz = 4x + 2xz + 6

The automaton part encodes only of monomials; sums and equality test encoded in Presburger accepting formula, a dimension for each monomial : $2x_1 + x_2 = 4x_3 + 2x_4 + 6$.

Input nested words represent valuations of variables

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Encode}(x * y * 1, [x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 2]) &= x_c c^3 \mathsf{Encode}(y * 1, [x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 2]) r^3 x_r \\ \mathsf{Encode}(1, [x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 2]) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

The automaton checks well-formedness

- visibly pushdown "regular" sequence of monomials
- one dimension for each variable occurence in P and Q: test via the Presburger accepting formula that there are valuated the same way.

and evaluates monomials via counters :

The dimension updated as $[\mathsf{Encode}(x_c c^3 \mathsf{Encode}(y * 1, [x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 2]) r^3 x_r)] = 3 * [\mathsf{Encode}(y * 1, [x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 2])]$

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Thus, holds even if the automata are deterministic, with a fixed dimension 2, tuples of values in $\{0,1\}^2$ and with a fixed Presburger formula $(x_1, x_2) = x_1 = x_2$

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- Productive and Non-productive traversals form a finite algebra.
- Consider possible decompositions of traversals ((q,→)(q', ←)) on c₁rw₂ into productive traversals (finitely many as single-use) reachable from each other by non-productive traversals.
- Using commutativity of addition over \mathbb{N}^{dim} , extract a VPA and a mapping λ

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Both known as EXPtime-hard.

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