

## → SYNTAX

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Variables :  $\text{Var} = \text{Var}_{\text{int}} \cup \text{Var}_{\text{str}}$  two-sorted

$(m, n, \dots)$        $(x, y, \dots)$

Constant :  $\text{Con} = \text{Con}_{\text{int}} \cup \text{Con}_{\text{str}}$  String constants

$\text{Con}_{\text{str}} \subset \Sigma^*$

$\Sigma = \{f, g, h, \dots\}$  Alphabets

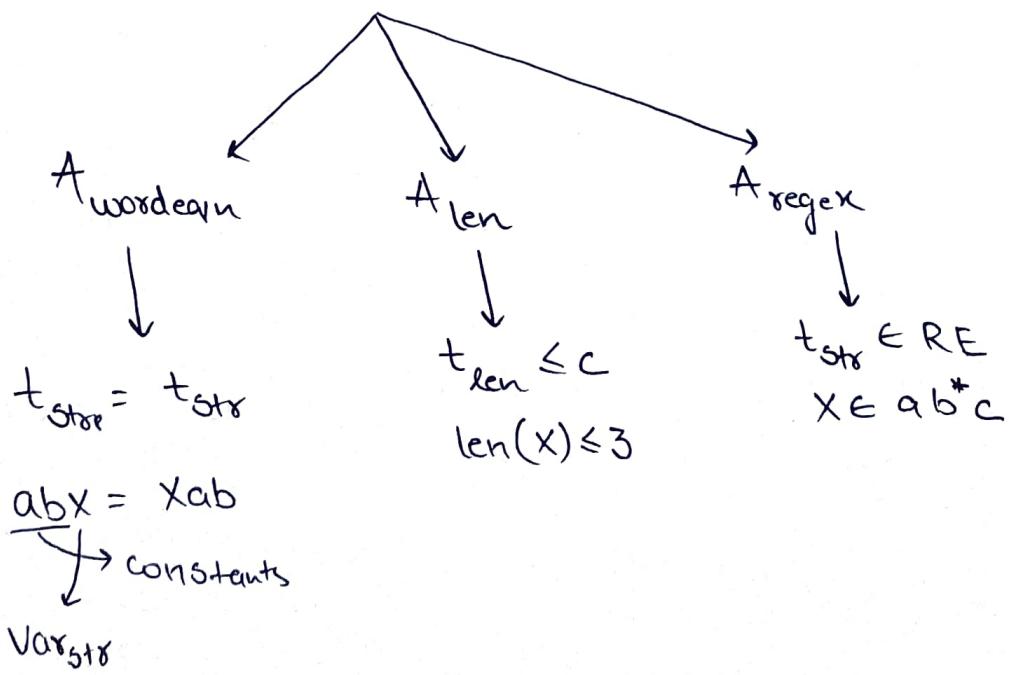
Terms : String term ( $t_{\text{str}}$ ) Length term ( $t_{\text{len}}$ )

→ element of  $\text{Var}_{\text{str}}$  → element of  $\text{Var}_{\text{int}}$

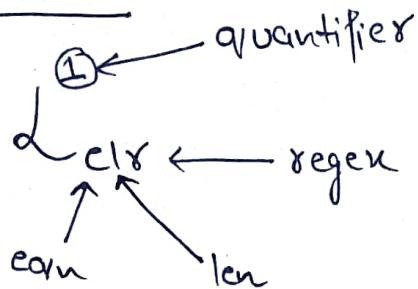
→ element of  $\text{Con}_{\text{str}}$  → element of  $\text{Con}_{\text{int}}$

→ concatenation of →  $\text{len}(t_{\text{str}})$   
those elements.

Formula : Atomic ( $F$ )  $| F \wedge F | F \vee F | \neg F | \exists x F(x) | \forall x F(x)$



## → NOMENCLATURE



$$\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$$

~ alphabets

no quantifiers  $\vdash_{\text{elr}}^0$  : formulas with eqns, length terms & regen terms w/ no quantifiers

$\Sigma$   $\vdash_{\text{elr}}^0$  : only eqns & length terms w/ no quantifier.

## → SEMANTICS

We fix  $\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$

Given a  $\vdash_{\text{elr}}^1$  formula  $\theta$  on  $\Sigma$ ;

we can map free variables of  $\theta$ .

$$\text{FV}(\theta) \rightarrow \Sigma^* \cup \mathbb{N}$$

If such an assignment makes  $\theta$  true, its a satisfying assignment.

## Representation of Solutions

Ex. 1:  $\mathcal{L}_e^0$

$$\Theta : X = aYbZa \quad \Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$FV(\Theta) = \{X, Y, Z\}$$

$$X \rightarrow a\underline{y}b\underline{z}a$$

$$Y \rightarrow Y \leftarrow \text{Unfixed part}$$

$$Z \rightarrow Z \leftarrow$$

Any choice of  $Y, Z \in \Sigma^*$  gives a solution.

Ex 2:  $\mathcal{L}_e^0$

$$abX = Xba$$

$$X = aba$$

$$X = abab a$$

$$X = ababab a$$

$X = (ab)^i a$ . assignment w/ integer parameter.

Ex 3:  $\mathcal{L}_{e18}^0$

$$abX = Xba \wedge X \in (ab|ba)(ab)^* a \wedge \text{len}(X) \leq 5.$$

$$X = ab a$$

$$X = abab a$$

## DECIDABILITY THEOREM

T.P:  $L_{\text{ex}}^0$  is decidable.

→ Word ears by themselves are already decidable  
[Plandowski]

→ System of inequalities over integer variables  
is decidable. (Presburger arithmetic)

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{abx = xba \wedge x = aby} \wedge \underbrace{\text{len}(x) < 2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{word ears} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{length} \end{array}$$

$\text{len}(x) = 2c$

$x = (ab)^i a$

$y = (ab)^{i-1} a$

$\begin{cases} \text{len}(x) = 2c+1 \\ \text{len}(y) = 2c-1 \end{cases}$

UNSAT because they aren't simultaneously SAT.

implicit length constraints.

$$\rightarrow x = aby$$

$$\{ \text{len}(x) = 2 + \text{len}(y) ; \text{len}(y) \geq 0 \}$$

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→ The crux of this proof is representing the finite representation of these implicit length forms.

→ Solved form

- $\delta$  is a solved form of  $\omega$  if every variable in  $\omega$  can be defined as

$$x = t$$
  
↓  
variables      concat of constants & unfixed parts

- Also variable can occur only once on LHS & never on RHS.

Ex.  $Xa = aY \wedge Ya = Xa$

$S: \quad x = a^i \quad i \geq 0$   
 $y = a^i$

constant raised by integer parameter.

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$$\underbrace{x = t}_{\text{variables}} \leftarrow \text{concat of constants \& undefined parts}$$

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Ex.  $Xa = aY \wedge Ya = Xa$

S:  $x = a^i \quad i \geq 0$   
 $y = a^i$   $\leftarrow$  constant raised by integer parameter.

Ex.  $abX = Xba \wedge X = abY$

$$x = (ab)^i a$$
$$y = (ab)^{i+1} a$$

$$\text{ex. } X^{ab}Y = Y^{ba}X$$

$$X = bb$$

$$Y = b$$

$$X = (b)^{i+1}$$

$$Y = b$$

$$Y = aa$$

$$X = a$$

$$X = (a)^i$$

$$Y = (a)^{i+1}$$

Not a solved form since its not in  
form of  $\begin{cases} X = t \\ Y = t \end{cases}$ .  $X$  &  $Y$  have to be  
represented twice to encapsulate  
all solutions.

Lemma 1 : If  $\omega$  has a solved form  $S$  then  $\exists R$  of linear length constraints implied by  $\omega$  that is finite & complete. Moreover there is an algorithm that computes  $R$ .

Proof: we will imply the length constraints from solved form  $S$ .

every term in  $S$  looks like this:

$$x = t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 \dots t_n$$

variable in  $\omega$ .  $t_k \rightarrow$  either constant | constant raised by integer or unfixed part.

$$\boxed{\text{len}(x) = c + i_1 t_4 + i_2 t_6 + \text{len}(t_7 t_8 t_9 t_{10})}$$

all constants

constant raised by integer parameters

length of unfixed parts.

~~$R = \{ \text{len}(x) \mid \text{the values on integer parameters can be}$~~

~~chosen arbitrarily.  $i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$~~

~~\* length of unfixed parts.  $\text{len}(t_7) \geq 0$~~

$$R = \boxed{\text{len}(x) \wedge \text{len}(x_1) \wedge \text{len}(x_2) \dots \text{len}(x_n)},$$

finite since finite variables.

Lemma 2: If  $\omega$  has solved form  $S$  then  $\omega$  is  
equisatisfiable with length constraints  $R$ .

→ If  $\omega$  is SAT ;  $R$  is SAT: if there is a SAT assignment  
then for  $\omega$ , that SAT assignment will be under the  
length constraints, hence  $R$  is SAT.

→ If  $R$  is SAT ;  $\omega$  is SAT: if  $R$  is SAT ; there will exist  
atleast one assignment, that will also make  $\omega$  SAT.

Theorem 11. SAT problem for  $\mathcal{L}^0_{\text{ee}}$  is decidable given that there exists a algorithm to convert equations in solved forms.

Proof:

$$\mathcal{L}^0_{\text{ee}} = \phi \wedge \theta$$

↓  
word  
expr

length  
constraint.

Step 1: Run  $\phi$  through Plandowski's algorithm

Run  $\theta$  through Presberger's arithmetic. If any of them return UNSAT the given problem is UNSAT.

Step 2: Otherwise compute  $R$  of  $\phi$  and this can be done by finding  $S$  of  $\phi$  and then finding the implied length constraints from that  $S$  like we saw on Lemma 1.

Step 3: Run  $R \wedge \theta$  through Presberger.

if UNSAT then UNSAT.

if SAT, then SAT.

we have already proved in lemma 2 that if there are some satisfying assignments for length constraint, atleast one of them satisfies  $\theta$ .

## SATISFIABILITY OF WORD EQNS / LENGTH / RE:

Consider  $L_{\text{lex}}^0$  formula.

$$abx = xba \wedge x \in (ab)^* b \wedge \text{len}(x) \leq 3$$

Solved from S:  $x = \underline{(ab)^i a}$  or  $a(ba)^i$  same thing

$$\wedge R \wedge \theta : \begin{cases} \text{len}(x) = 2i + 1 \\ \text{len}(x) \leq 3 \end{cases}$$

for  $i=1$ ;  $\wedge R \wedge \theta$  is SAT.

However the formula isn't SAT since  $x$  ends on 'b' according to RE.

$x \in (ab)^* a$   
if according to word even it should end in 'a'.

$$ab\underline{x} = x\underline{ba}$$

So we have to put some restriction on solved form.

$$S: X = (ab)^i a \text{ or } (ab)^* a$$

Now we have two RE.

$$X \in (ab)^* a \quad X \in (ab)^* b$$

$$\downarrow \\ RE_1$$

$$\downarrow \\ RE_2$$

$$L(RE_1) \cap L(RE_2) = \emptyset \text{ so UNSAT.}$$

★ We should be able to write the solved form as RegEx & then check for intersection with existing conditions. i.e. no unfixed parts and the solved forms have a regular language.

Lemma 3: If word  $eqn$  has a solved form w/o unfixed parts that is also a regular expression, then there is a finite set of linear length constraints that can be effectively computed from this solved form & which are equivalent with the  $eqn$ .

What this means? if the solved form of a  $L_{LR}^0$   $eqn$  does not have an unfixed part and is a regular expression, then we can compute the implied length constraints from the solved form & RE.

Proof:  $\rightarrow$  we already know we can compute implied length constraints from solved form

$\rightarrow$  For length constraints from RE, compute the regular set. For example regular set of  $a(aa)^*$  is

$\{a, aaa, aaaaa, aaaaa, \dots\}$

For every regular set, the length grows as a arithmetic progression i.e.  $1, 4, 7, 10, 13, \dots$  in this case.

Find an algorithm which can extract the initial length & arithmetic difference when given RE.

[Reference paper 1]

Theorem 13: SAT Problem for  $L_{\text{elix}}^0$  is decidable iff the solved form of word eqn doesn't have unfixed parts & is a regular expression.

$$L_{\text{elix}}^0 = \theta(x) \wedge \phi \wedge (x \in \text{RE})$$

$\downarrow$                      $\downarrow$                      $\downarrow$   
 w.e                    l                    RE.

Step 1: If  $\theta(x)$  or  $(x \in \text{RE})$  or  $\phi$  is UNSAT, return UNSAT

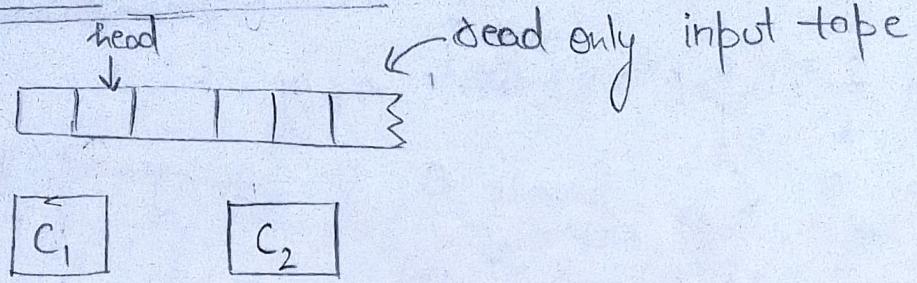
Step 2: Convert  $\theta(x)$  in solved form where its a RE, then write it as  $x \in \text{RE}_1$ .

Step 3: Compute  $x \in \text{RE}_1 \cap x \in \text{RE}$   
if it is null, then return UNSAT.

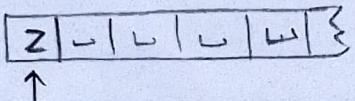
Step 4: Extract implied length constraints from  $\text{RE}_1 \cap \text{RE}$ . Lets call it  $\Psi$ .

Step 5: If  $\Psi \wedge \phi$  is UNSAT (Presburger arithmetic)  
else SAT.

## Two-counter machines



- ★ There is a single dead only semi $\infty$  tape.
- ★ There are two counters where we can increment, decrement, or stay as it is.
- ★ There is no way to read the number on counters, we can only know if its zero or not.
- ★ You can visualise the counters as storage tape w/ head.



when we have to increment w/ 1 ; the head moves right; decrement moves it to left.

This way when we see one counter; we can only read blank or Z. Blank means true ; Z means 0.

- ★ A two counter machine can simulate a two stack PDA which can simulate a TURING MACHINE.

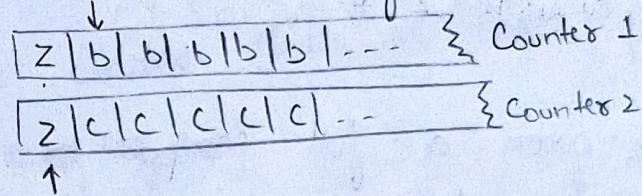
## ID of Two Counter Machine

$$M = \langle Q, \Delta, \{z, b, c\}, \delta, q_0, F \rangle$$

$Q$  : States  $\{q_0, q_1, \dots, q_f\}$

$\Delta$  : Same as  $\Sigma$  i.e. alphabets on input tape.

$\{z, b, c\}$  : Alphabets on storage tape.

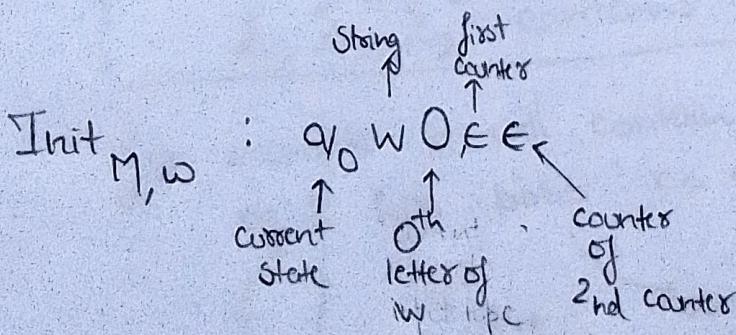


$\delta$  : Transition function.

$$Q \times \Delta \times \{z, b\} \times \{z, c\} \rightarrow Q \times \{in, stor1, stor2\} \times \{L, R\}$$

Takes in current state ; current alphabet on input tape & positions of counter (whether 0 or +ve)

Returns state ; where input head moves ; where counter heads move.



Final ID:

$$F_{M, w} : q_f w O F E$$

In the standard model the machine only halts when  $q_f$  is reached ; input head is at start & both counters are 0.

## Computation history of TCM

Computation history describes every stage & every transition the machine goes to before reaching final halting stage.

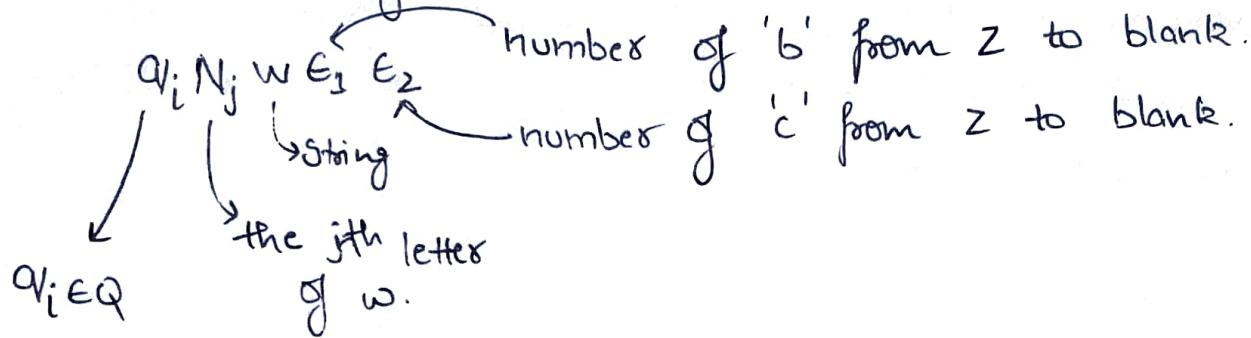
Example :

$M_w : [q_0 w^0 \epsilon \epsilon \# q_1 w^1 1 \epsilon \# q_2 w^2 1 1 \dots \# q_f w^0 \epsilon \epsilon]$

So if we are given a full computation history, we can figure out if the machine accepts and halts or not.

## UNIVERSE OF STRINGS

A random ID of two counter machine looks like this.



Now we divide this in three parts:

$$\Sigma_0 = \{\# q_i N_j w\}$$

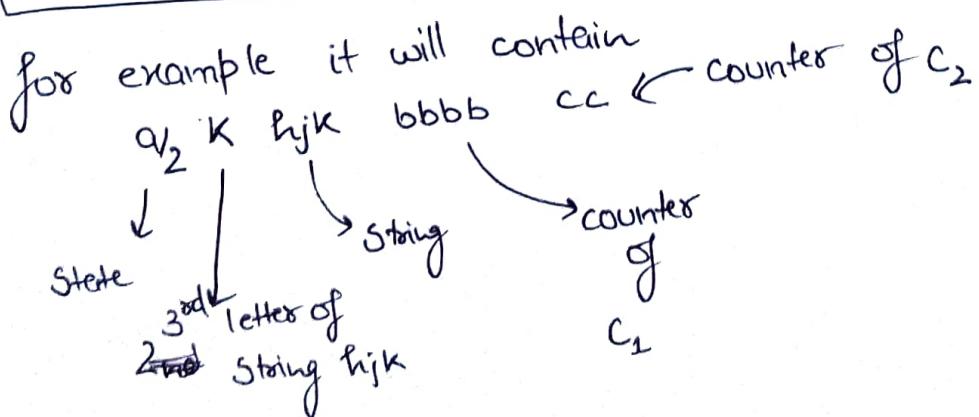
$$\Sigma_1 = b.$$

$$\Sigma_2 = c$$

$$\Sigma = \{\Sigma_0 \cup \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2\}$$

If we take all permutation, combinations of the elements in  $\Sigma$  i.e.  $\Sigma^*$ ; it will contain all valid IDs.

Or we can even say, the regular set  
 $\Sigma_0 \Sigma_1^* \Sigma_2^*$  contains all IDs



## UNDECIDABILITY THEOREM:

no free variables.

★ Validity problem for set of  $L_e^1$  Sentences over positive word equations with  $\forall \exists$  quantifiers is undecidable.

Example:  $\forall x \exists y \ abc x = y \checkmark$  Valid.

$\exists y (ay = a) \wedge (aybc = abc) \checkmark$  Valid ( $y = \epsilon$ )

## PROOF IDEA:

Reduction from halting problem for two counter.

- Take a two-counter machine  $M$  and input  $w$ .
- Construct a  $L_e^1$  Sentence  $\forall S \exists S_1 S_2 S_3 S_4 \Theta(S, S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4)$
- $M(w)$  doesn't halt only if sentence is valid.
- $\Theta$  is constructed in such a way that this will only happen when  $S \neq$  halting computation history.

PROOF :

Given  $\langle M, w \rangle$

we construct a  $\mathcal{L}_e^1$  sentence

$Z : \#S \# S_1 S_2 S_3 S_4 \# UV (\theta_{M,w}(S, S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4, U, V))$

$S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4$  are substrings of  $S$ .

\*  $Z$  is valid iff  $M$  doesn't halt & accept  $w$ .

How to construct such  $\theta_{M,w}$  :

- Number of ways an encoding history could be invalid is
  - $\rightarrow S$  doesn't start w/ Initial ID
  - $\rightarrow S$  doesn't end w/ Final ID
  - $\rightarrow S$  isn't a well-formed history
  - $\rightarrow S$  doesn't follow transition function