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Dagstuhl Seminar 13192 Tree Transducers and Formal Methods Non-linearity phenomena are non captured by tree automata, e.g. :

- ► The set of ground instances of a non-linear term is not recognizable.
- \triangleright The class of recognizable tree languages is not closed under non-linear homomorphisms.

How to enrich transitions by equality and disequality constraints ?

Two main ideas

► Add local tests, e.g. to capture the set of instances of $f(q(x), x)$ Why: pattern matching, rewriting, representing finitely image by non-linear transformations of recognizable tree languages (type checking?), \dots When: from 80's to now

 \triangleright Add global tests, e.g. to capture "all the subterms rooted by f are different". Why: integrity constraints (XML), non linear query languages, ... When: more recently

Leitmotiv: keeping as far as possible good closure and decision properties.

Tree Automata with Local Constraints

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These constraints are indeed unlabeled path constraints. More general disequality constraints have been defined by H. Seidl and A. Reuß(LPAR 2010, FOSSACS 2012).

Automata with Equality and Disequality Constraints The general class

An automaton with equality and disequality constraints is a tuple (Q, Σ, Q_f, Δ) where

- \blacktriangleright Σ is a finite ranked alphabet
- \triangleright Q is a finite set of states
- $\blacktriangleright Q_f$ is a subset of Q of final states
- \triangleright Δ is a set of transition rules of of the form:

$$
f(q_1,\ldots,q_n)\xrightarrow{c} q
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where $f \in \Sigma$, $q_1, \ldots, q_n, q \in Q$, and c is a Boolean combination of equality and disequality constraints.

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- \triangleright capture homomorphic images of recognizable languages (only equality constraints are needed) and images by bottom-up transducers.

Undecidability comes in some sense from superposition of (equality) tests. To get a decidable class, we can try to limit this superposition...

Automata with Constraints

Restrictions

- \triangleright restrict the form of the tests
- \blacktriangleright limit the number of equality tests
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- \blacktriangleright Recognizability is decidable.

Limit the number of equality tests along a path

A reduction automaton $\mathcal A$ is an automaton with equality and disequality constraints with an ordering on the states such that for each rule $f(q_1,\ldots,q_n) \stackrel{c}{\longrightarrow} q$,

- \blacktriangleright q is maximal in q, q_1, \ldots, q_n
- \blacktriangleright q is a strict upper bound of q_1,\ldots,q_n if c contains an equality constraint.

Idea: Bound the number of equalities tested along a path. Defined/studied by Dauchet, Caron, Coquidé, Comon and Jacquemard (94 and following)

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Deciding emptiness "needs" determinism

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Universality is decidable for $TA_{=}$, undecidable for TA_{\neq} .

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Remark: If H is shallow -i.e the images of symbols are shallow-, $H(R)$ is recognizable by an automaton with tests between brothers. as recognizability is decidable for language recognizable by an automaton with tests between brothers: the homomorphism problem is decidable for shallow homomorphisms.

Proposition

The HOM−*problem is decidable (Godoy & alt, STOC 2010) and EXPTIME-Complete (Creus & alt., LICS 2012)*

- \blacktriangleright TA_{Hom} : equality test without superposition, no disequality tests: $t\stackrel{c}{\rightarrow}q$ where $t\in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma, Q)$, and c is a Boolean combination of equality constraints for positions of t labeled by states.
	- ▶ capture homomorphic images of recognizable tree languages
	- \triangleright emptiness, finiteness, recognizability are decidable for this class.
- \blacktriangleright $TA_{Hom, \neq}$: equality and disequality tests, no superposition of equality tests : emptiness is decidable

Application to transducers?

- \triangleright The image of a recognizable tree language by a bottom-up tree transducer can be represented finitely by a TA_{Hom} .
- ► E.g., we can decide whether $T_1(L_1) \subset T_2(L_2)$, L_1, L_2 recognizable tree languages, T_1, T_2 bottom-up tree transducers.

What about global constraints?

Tree Automata with Global Constraints

Local Constraints

- \blacktriangleright non linear pattern matching
- \blacktriangleright non-linear transformation
- \blacktriangleright term rewriting, reachability analysis

Global Constraints

- \blacktriangleright tree structured data processing
- \triangleright schema = type + integrity constraints

Type Definition for XML Data

Tree Automaton

Integrity Constraint

 \blacktriangleright email is a key (ID) subtrees below email are pairwise distinct

Cannot be expressed with standard tree automata

Tree Automata with Local Constraints

- \triangleright equality and disequality test in transitions
- \blacktriangleright checked during computation

Tree Automata with Global Constraints

- \triangleright one standard tree automaton $+$ one separate constraint
- \blacktriangleright checked on run, after computation

Tree

Tree Automaton Run

Key Constraint

email is a key: $\forall x, y \ p_m(x) \land p_m(y) \land x \neq y \Rightarrow t|_x \neq t|_y$

Global Equality Constraint

all domain's coincide: $\forall x, y \ p_d(x) \land p_d(y) \Rightarrow t|_x = t|_y$

Negation

user is a not a key: $\exists x, y \ p_u(x) \wedge p_u(y) \wedge x \neq y \wedge t|_x = t|_y$

Tree Automata with Global Constraints

A TAGC A is given by

- ightharpoon a tree automaton $ta(\mathcal{A}) = \langle \Sigma, Q, F, \Delta \rangle$
- ightharpoontal a constraint ϕ : FO formula interpreted on a term $t \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma)$ and a run r of $ta(A)$ on t, build with predicates
	- $x = y$ (node equality)

$$
\blacktriangleright p(x) \text{ (the label of } x \text{ in } r \text{ is } p)
$$

 \blacktriangleright $t|_x = t|_y$ (subterm equality)

A relabeling $r : dom(t) \rightarrow Q$ is a successful run of A on t iff

- r run of $ta(A)$ on t
- \blacktriangleright r(root) \in F
- \blacktriangleright t, $r \models \phi$.

Language $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}) = \{t \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma) \mid \exists r \text{ successful run of A on } t\}.$

Constraints: Notations

note that $\neg p_1 \approx p_2$ and $p_1 \not\approx p_2$ have different semantics.

notation $TAGC[\tau_1,\ldots,\tau_n]$: the constraint is a Boolean combination of atomic constraints of types τ_1, \ldots, τ_n .

 $\mathsf{TAGC}^{\wedge}[\tau_1,\ldots,\tau_n]$: when constraint is positive conjunctive.

Rest of the talk

decidable extensions

 $TAGC[\approx, \nless, N]$ arithmetic [Godoy et al 2010,12] $TACB[\approx, \nless, \mathbb{N}]$ with local equality tests $+$ modulo

open classes

inclusion constraints

TAGED [Filiot, Talbot, Tison 2007, 08]

 $\mathsf{TAGED}:=\mathsf{TAGC}^{\wedge}[\approx,\not\approx_\mathsf{irr}]$ (positive conjunctive)

decision tool for TQL spatial logic [Cardelli, Ghelli 2002].

Example: all domain's coincide: with $p_d \approx p_d$

all domain's coincide, there are at least two different email's: with $p_{\sf d} \approx p_{\sf d} \wedge p_{\sf m}' \not\approx p_{\sf m}''$ and email $(p_{\sf u}\; p_{\sf d}) \to p_{\sf m} \mid p_{\sf m}' \mid p_{\sf m}''$, and transitions such that $p'_\mathsf{m},\,p''_\mathsf{m}$ occur exactly once in a successful run.

TAGED: Closure Properties

The class of TAGED- $(\mathsf{TAGC}^\wedge[\approx,\not\approx_\mathsf{irr}])$ languages is effectively closed under

- ◮ ∪ : linear construction disjoint union of automata and global constraints
- \triangleright \cap : quadratic construction (Cartesian product)

 \triangleright not \neg

{trees with subtree $g(x, y) | x \neq y$ } is in TAGED, not its complement.

 \triangleright not determinizable

TAGED: Decision I

Membership is NP-complete [Filiot et al 2007 CSL]

hardness: reduction of satisfiability of Boolean expressions. Ex. $(x \vee y) \wedge (\neg x \vee y)$

 $0 \rightarrow q_x | q$ $1 \rightarrow q_x | q$ $x(q, q_x) \rightarrow q_1$ $x(q_x, q) \rightarrow q_0$ $0 \rightarrow q_y | q$ $1 \rightarrow q_y | q$...

 $q_x \approx q_x \wedge q_y \approx q_y$

This TAGED is in TAGC^{\wedge}[\approx_{ref}]

TAGED: Decision II

Universality and inclusion are undecidable

Reduction of PCP into TAGC $^\wedge [\approx_{\sf ref}]$ universality.

Emptiness

- ► EXPTIME-complete for TAGC $^{\wedge}[\approx]$
- ► NEXPTIME for TAGC[^][\mathcal{Z}_{irr}]
- ► decidable for subclass of TAGED testing bounded number of ≈, \approx _{irr} [Filiot et al 2007 CSL]
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Rigid Tree Automata [J Klay Vacher 2009, 11]

 $RTA =$ subclass $TAGC^{\wedge}[\approx_{ref}]$ of $TAGED$

for data flow analysis of security protocols

≈-constraints are sufficient for non-linear pattern matching (bounded number of local equality tests)

Ex. for the pattern
$$
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$$
,

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$$
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f(q, q) & \rightarrow & q | q_x, \\
f(q_x, q_x) & \rightarrow & q_f \\
q_x \approx q_x\n\end{array}
$$

successful run of ${\mathcal A}$ on $\mathsf{f}(\mathsf{f}(\mathsf{a},\mathsf{b}),\mathsf{f}(\mathsf{a},\mathsf{b}))$: $q_\mathsf{f}\big(q_x(q,q),q_x(q,q)\big)$.
RTA: Expressiveness

$RTA \subseteq TAGED$

 $\mathsf{TAGC}^{\wedge}[\approx] \equiv \mathsf{TAGC}^{\wedge}$

 $[$ Filiot et al 2008 DLT $]$

construction \rightarrow with exponential blowup.

Determinism

 $TA \subseteq DRTA \subseteq RTA$

 $\{f(x, x) \mid x \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma)\}\$ not recognizable by DRTA.

Subclass of visibly RTA determinizable.

Rewrite closure

(under equational specification of cryptographic operators)

RTA: Expressiveness II

Pumping Lemma

If $t \in L(\mathcal{A})$ and $depth(t) > (|Q|+1)|R|$, then there exist

- \blacktriangleright a context C .
- ighthroportion two contexts C' and D , with D non-trivial.
- \blacktriangleright a term u

such that $t = C\big[C'[D[u]], \ldots, C'[D[u]]\big]$ and for all $n > 0$. $C[C'[D^n[u]], \ldots, C'[D^n[u]]] \in L(A).$

The set of balanced binary trees is not a RTA language.

RTA: Closure

like TAGED

- $\blacktriangleright \cup$ (polynomial)
- \blacktriangleright \cap (exponential): 2 RTA $\rightarrow 1$ TAGC $^{\wedge}[\approx]$ for $\cap \rightarrow 1$ RTA for \cap It is a lower bound (reduction of the emptiness of intersections for tree automata).

 \triangleright not \neg

The set of balanced binary trees is not RTA. Its complement is recognized by

$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\mathsf{a} & \rightarrow & q|q_r \\
\mathsf{f}(q_r, q) & \rightarrow & q'_r \\
\mathsf{f}(q, q'_r) & \rightarrow & q'_r \\
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\mathsf{f}(q, q_f) & \rightarrow & q_f\n\end{array}
$$

RTA: Decision

Decision

- \blacktriangleright membership is NP-complete
- \blacktriangleright universality, inclusion undecidable
- \blacktriangleright finiteness:
	- ► PTIME for RTA (TAGC^{\wedge}[$\approx_{\sf ref}$]),
	- ► EXPTIME for TAGC $^{\wedge}[\approx]$.
- \triangleright emptiness decidable in linear time

For emptiness: same state marking algorithm as for tree automata.

► regularity is undecidable for RTA, TAGED, TAGC $^{\wedge}[\approx]$

Global vs Local Constraints

TAGED (RTA) and automata with local constraints are orthogonal.

- \blacktriangleright balanced binary trees \notin TAGED
- \blacktriangleright "all domain's coincide" \notin local constraints automata.

Lets call two nodes equivalent in a successful run if they have been "successfully tested" to be equal in the run.

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Membership is NP-complete for DA [Charatonik 1999], [Anantharaman et al 2005]

Membership is PTIME for deterministic DA

Tree membership is PTIME complete [Lohrey Maneth 2006]

DAG Automata and Global \approx Constraints

- \triangleright DA: a unique state is associated to equal subtrees (same node in the DAG representation)
- \triangleright RTA: a unique subtree is associated to every occurrence of the same state q if $q \approx q$

DA and RTA are orthogonal.

 $\{f(x, x)\}\;$ is not recognizable by DA.

DAG Automata and Global $\frac{1}{\infty}$ Constraints

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- Emptiness is still NP-complete for DA $[\approx]$
- ▶ Emptiness is decidable in NEXPTIME for TAGED

Open problem: generalization to $\mathsf{TAGC}^\wedge[\approx,\not\approx]$ (elementary upper bound for emptiness decision)

Closure and Decision Results

$TAGC[\approx, \approx]$ [Godoy et al 10,12]

Emptiness is decidable for TAGC[\approx , \approx]

we use $\mathsf{TAGC}[\approx,\not\approx]\equiv\mathsf{TAGC}^{\wedge}[\approx,\not\approx]$

- ◮ One tree is accepted iff a tree of *"small"* height is accepted
- \triangleright global pumping: replace all subtrees of height h by selected subtrees of height $\langle h \rangle$ while preserving all the relative \approx , \approx
- ► accepted tree $t \mapsto$ sequence of measures $e_0, e_1, \ldots, e_{\mathsf{h}(t)}$ st if $e_i \preceq e_j$ for $i < j$ then there exists a global pumping
- \blacktriangleright Higman's Lemma, König's Lemma: exists a bound B on the maximal length of sequences (for any t) without $e_i \preceq e_j$, $i < j$
- \triangleright every t of height $\gt B$ can be reduced by a global pumping.

extension to unranked trees immediate, using encoding into binary trees [Godoy et al 2012]

on ranked trees, emptiness is still decidable for

- ► TAGC $[\approx, \approx]$ extended with local $=$ and \neq constraints between siblings, à la $[Bogaert Tison 1992]$
- ► TAGC $[\approx, \approx]$ where \approx and \approx are interpreted modulo flat equational theories

Arithmetic Constraints

\n
$$
\text{linear inequality } \sum_{q \in Q} a_q \cdot |q| \geq a \text{ or } \sum_{q \in Q} a_q \cdot \|q\| \geq a, \ a_q, a \in \mathbb{Z}
$$
\n

\n\n for a run r on a tree t , $|q| = \begin{vmatrix} |r^{-1}(q)| \\ |t|_x \mid x \in \text{dom}(t), r(x) = q \end{vmatrix}$ \n

\n\n natural inequality (type 'N') when all a_q, a have the same sign\n

Presburger automata [Seidl et al 2003, 2008], [Dal Zilio Lugiez 2006]: count the siblings of unranked trees (*local cstr*).

- \triangleright emptiness decidable in NPTIME for TAGC[$|.|_Z|$]
- ► emptiness undecidable for TAGC $[\approx, |.|_Z]$ [Godoy et al 2010]
- ► TAGC $[\approx, \nless, |.|_{{\mathbb N}}, ||.||_{{\mathbb N}}] \equiv \mathsf{TAGC}^{\wedge}[\approx, \nless]$ [id]

Monadic Second Order Logic

 $MSO[+1, \approx, \nless, |.|_{{\mathbb{Z}}}, ||.||_{{\mathbb{Z}}}]$ monadic second-order logic

- ightharpoonup first order variables x: position in a tree
- ighthroal second order variables X : finite set of positions

with predicates

 $a(x)$ (x labeled by $a \in \Sigma$ in t) +1 $S_{\perp}(x, y)$ (y child of x) and $S_{\rightarrow}(x, y)$ (y next sibling of x) $\approx X \approx Y$ (for all $x \in X$, $y \in Y$, $t|_x = t|_y$) $\mathcal{L} \mathbb{X} \approx Y$ (for all $x \in X$, $y \in Y$, $t|_x \neq t|_y$) $|.|_\mathbb{Z}| \sum a_i \cdot |X_i| \geq a, \, a_i, a \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (|X_i| \text{ is cardinality of } X_i)$ $\left\vert .\right\vert _{\mathbb{N}}$ when a_{i},a have same sign

 $\|.\|_{\mathbb{Z}}\ \sum a_i \cdot \|X_i\| \geq a\ (\|X_i\|$ is cardinality of $\{t|_x\mid x\in X_i\})$

 $\|.\|_{\mathbb{N}}\,$ when a_i, a have same sign

Monadic Second Order Logic: satisfiability

- \triangleright MSO[+1] \equiv tree automata [Thatcher Wright 1968]
- \blacktriangleright MSO[+1, \approx] undecidable
- \triangleright MSO $[+1, \mathbb{Z}]$ undecidable [Klaedtke Ruess 2002]

$$
\text{EMSO: } \exists X_1 \dots \exists X_n \, \phi(X_1, \dots, X_n) \land \psi(X_1, \dots, X_n) \text{ where}
$$

$$
\blacktriangleright \phi(X_1,\ldots,X_n) \text{ in MSO}[+1]
$$

- $\blacktriangleright \psi(X_1,\ldots,X_n)$ in MSO $[+1,\approx,\notinfty,|.|_{\mathbb{Z}},||.||_{\mathbb{Z}}]$, free
- \blacktriangleright EMSO[+1, \mathbb{Z}] decidable [Klaedtke Ruess 2002]
- ► fragment of EMSO $[+1, \approx, \frac{\cancel{\sim}}{2}]$ decidable $[$ Filiot et al 2008]
- EMSO $[+1, \approx, \nless, |.|_N, ||.||_N]$ decidable [Godoy et al 2010]

Perspectives

- ▶ Combining Local/Global Constraints for unranked ordered trees
	- ► combination of TAGC[\approx , \approx]
	- \triangleright with UTASC: unranked tree automata with local sibling constraints [Löding Wong 2007, 09]
- \triangleright Extension of TAGC for inclusion constraints

$$
\forall x \exists y \ p(x) \Rightarrow (q(y) \land t |_{x} = t |_{y}) \qquad (x, y \in \text{positions})
$$

$$
\forall u \exists v \ p(u) \Rightarrow (q(v) \land u = v) \qquad (u, v \in \text{subtrees})
$$

 \blacktriangleright TAGC with constraints in monadic FO over $q(y)$ and $x = y$ interpretation in the domain of subtrees (related to automata on DAGs)

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