

Guarded Kleene Algebra with Tests: Automata Learning

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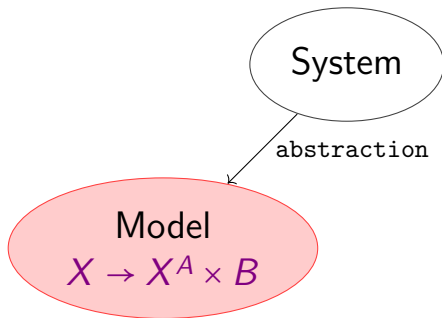
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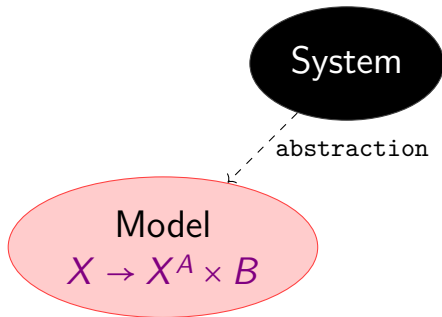
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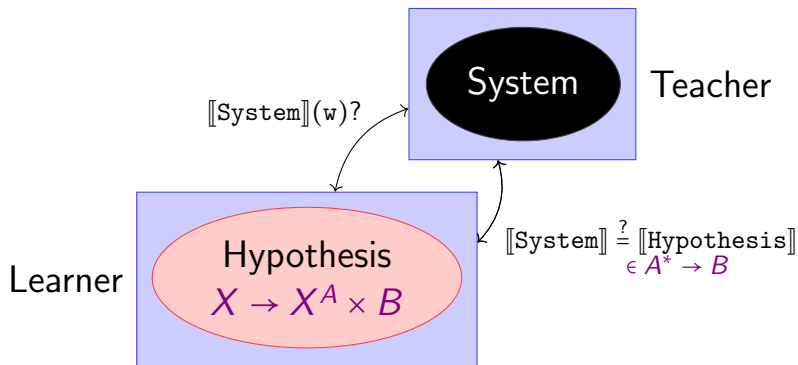
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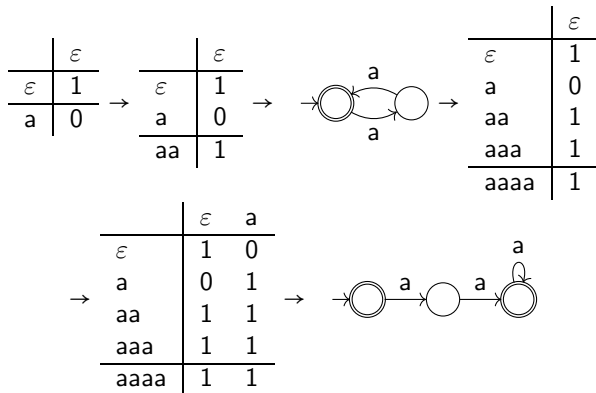
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L*-algorithm

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L^* for $[\mathcal{X}_{1+a \cdot a \cdot a^*}] \subseteq \{a\}^*$



Theorem

If L^* is instantiated with $[[\mathcal{X}]]$, then it terminates with $m(\mathcal{X})$.

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$$e, f \in \text{Exp}_\Sigma ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid p \in \Sigma \mid e + f \mid e \cdot f \mid e^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket 0 \rrbracket &= \emptyset & \llbracket 1 \rrbracket &= \{\varepsilon\} & \llbracket p \rrbracket &= \{p\} \\ \llbracket e + f \rrbracket &= \llbracket e \rrbracket \cup \llbracket f \rrbracket \\ \llbracket e \cdot f \rrbracket &= \llbracket e \rrbracket \cdot \llbracket f \rrbracket & \llbracket e^* \rrbracket &= \llbracket e \rrbracket^* \end{aligned}$$

$\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : \text{Exp}_\Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Sigma^*)$

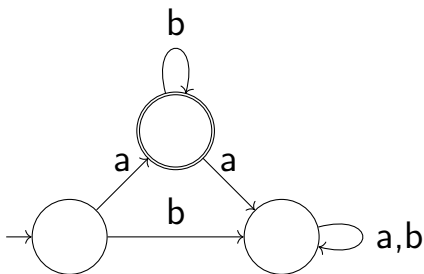
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$$\llbracket a \cdot b^* \rrbracket = \{a, ab, abb, abbb, \dots\} \in \Sigma^* \rightarrow 2$$



$$\in X \rightarrow X^\Sigma \times 2$$

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while b do e  
if b then e else f
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while b do e $:\Leftrightarrow (be)^* \bar{b}$
if b then e else f $:\Leftrightarrow be + \bar{b}f$

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$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket (bp)^* \bar{b} \cdot q \rrbracket &= \{ \bar{b}qb, \bar{b}q\bar{b}, bp\bar{b}qb, bp\bar{b}q\bar{b}, \dots \} \\ &\in (\text{At} \cdot \Sigma)^* \cdot \text{At} \rightarrow 2 \end{aligned}$$

If $T = \{t_1, \dots, t_n\}$, then $\text{At} \cong \{c_1 \cdot \dots \cdot c_n \mid c_i \in \{t_i, \bar{t}_i\}\}$.

Kozen, D., *Kleene Algebra with Tests* (1997).

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Theorem

The equational theory of KAT is decidable in polynomial time.

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Kozen, D., et al., *Kleene Algebra with Tests: Completeness and Decidability* (1996).

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while  $b$  do begin  
   $p$ ;  
  while  $c$  do  $q$   
end
```

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if  $b$  then begin  
   $p$ ;  
  while  $b+c$  do  
    if  $c$  then  $q$  else  $p$   
  end
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KAT
+
Network
=
NetKAT

KAT
+
Temporal
Network
=
Temporal
NetKAT

KAT
+
Probabilistic
Network
=
ProbNetKAT

KAT
+
Weighted
Network
=
Weighted
NetKAT

Anderson, C. J., et al., *NetKAT: Semantic Foundations for Networks* (2014).

Beckett, R., et al., *Temporal NetKAT* (2016).

Foster, N., et al., *Probabilistic NetKAT* (2016).

Larsen, Kim G., et al., *WNetKAT: A Weighted SDN Programming and Verification Language* (2016).

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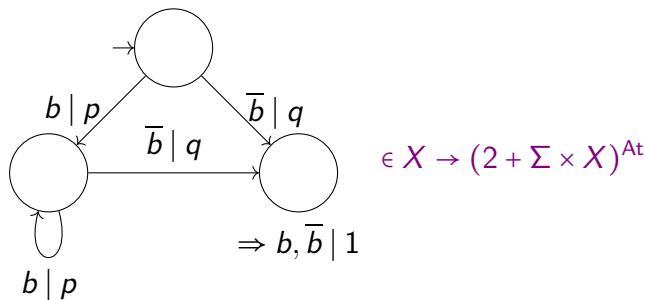
$$\begin{aligned} b, c \in \text{BExp}_T & ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid t \in T \mid b + c \mid b \cdot c \mid \bar{b} \\ e, f \in \text{GExp}_{\Sigma, T} & ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid p \in \Sigma \mid e \cdot f \mid b \in \text{BExp}_T \mid \\ & \quad \text{if } b \text{ then } e \text{ else } f \mid \\ & \quad \text{while } b \text{ do } e \mid \end{aligned}$$

$\iota : \text{GExp}_{\Sigma, T} \rightarrow \text{Exp}_{\Sigma, T}$

Smolka, S., et al., *Guarded Kleene Algebra with Tests: Verification of Uninterpreted Programs in Nearly Linear Time* (2019).

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$$\llbracket (\text{while } b \text{ do } p) \cdot q \rrbracket = \{\bar{b}qb, \bar{b}q\bar{b}, bp\bar{b}qb, bp\bar{b}q\bar{b}, \dots\} \\ \in (\text{At} \cdot \Sigma)^* \cdot \text{At} \rightarrow 2$$



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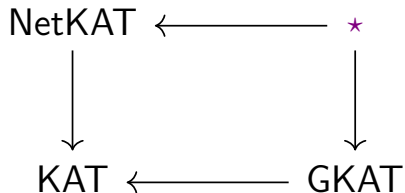
The equational theory of GKAT is decidable in almost linear time.

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Kozen, D., et al., *Kleene Algebra with Tests: Completeness and Decidability* (1996).

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Contributions

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$$\begin{aligned} & \llbracket e \rrbracket_{\text{GKAT}} \\ & \in \\ & (At \cdot \Sigma)^* \cdot At \rightarrow 2 \\ & \cong \\ & (At \cdot \Sigma)^* \rightarrow (At \rightarrow 2) \\ & = \\ & A^* \rightarrow B \end{aligned}$$

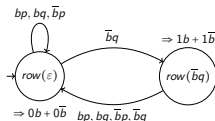
L^* for $\llbracket(\text{while } b \text{ do } p) \cdot q\rrbracket_{\text{GKAT}}$

	ε
ε	$0b + 0b$
bp	$0b + 0b$
bq	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}p$	$0b + 0\bar{b}$
bq	$1b + 1\bar{b}$

(a)

	ε
ε	$0b + 0b$
bq	$1b + 1\bar{b}$
bp	$0b + 0b$
bq	$0b + 0b$
bp	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$

(b)



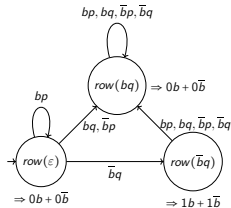
(c)

	ε	$\bar{b}q$	$bq\bar{b}q$
ε	$0b + 0b$	$1b + 1b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}q$	$1b + 1b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
bp	$0b + 0\bar{b}$	$1b + 1\bar{b}$	$0b + 0\bar{b}$
bq	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
bp	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$

(d)

	ε	$\bar{b}q$	$bq\bar{b}q$
ε	$0b + 0b$	$1b + 1b$	$0b + 0b$
bq	$1b + 1b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
bq	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
bp	$0b + 0b$	$1b + 1b$	$0b + 0b$
bp	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
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$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$bqbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$
$\bar{b}qbp$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$	$0b + 0b$

(e)



(f)

- Learns Moore instead of GKAT automata
- Redundant transitions to a sink-state
- Doesn't account for deterministic nature
- Cells are labelled by functions $A_t \rightarrow 2$
- Unfeasible amount of membership queries

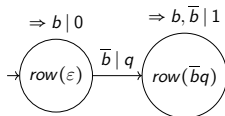
GL* for $\llbracket(\text{while } b \text{ do } p) \cdot q\rrbracket_{\text{GKAT}}$

	b	\bar{b}
ε	0	0
bp	0	0
bq	0	0
bp	0	0
bq	1	1

(a)

	b	\bar{b}
ε	0	0
bq	1	1
bp	0	0
bq	0	0
$\bar{b}p$	0	0
$\bar{b}qbp$	0	0
$bqbp$	0	0
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$bqbp$	0	0

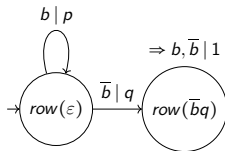
(b)



(c)

	b	\bar{b}	$bp\bar{b}q$	$\bar{b}qb$
ε	0	0	1	1
bq	1	1	0	0
bp	0	0	1	1
bq	0	0	0	0
bp	0	0	0	0
$bqbp$	0	0	0	0
$\bar{b}qbp$	0	0	0	0
$\bar{b}qbp$	0	0	0	0
$bqbp$	0	0	0	0

(d)



(e)

Minimization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R(\mathcal{X}) & \twoheadrightarrow & r(\mathcal{X}) \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \pi & \downarrow \\ m(\mathcal{X}) & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{L} \end{array}$$

$$y \simeq z \Leftrightarrow \pi(y) = \pi(z)$$

Lemma

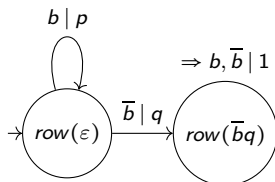
- $\llbracket m(\mathcal{X}) \rrbracket = \llbracket \mathcal{X} \rrbracket$
- $\llbracket \mathcal{Y} \rrbracket = \llbracket \mathcal{X} \rrbracket$ implies $|m(\mathcal{X})| \leq |\mathcal{Y}|$
- $\llbracket \mathcal{X} \rrbracket = \llbracket \mathcal{Y} \rrbracket$ if (f) $m(\mathcal{X}) \cong m(\mathcal{Y})$
- $m(\mathcal{X})$ satisfies nesting coequation, if \mathcal{X} does

We assume that \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} are normal.

Schmid, T., et al., *Guarded Kleene Algebra with Tests: Coequations, Coinduction, and Completeness* (2021).

Theorem

If GL^* is instantiated with $\llbracket \mathcal{X} \rrbracket$, then it terminates with $m(\mathcal{X})$.



$$m(\mathcal{X}_{(\text{while } b \text{ do } p) \cdot q})$$

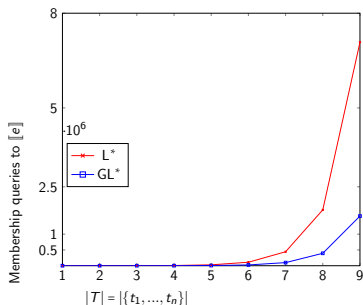
Lemma

- L^* requires at most $O(a * (|At| * b))$ membership queries to $\llbracket e \rrbracket$;
- GL^* requires at most $O(a * (|At| + b))$ membership queries to $\llbracket e \rrbracket$.

Let m be the maximum length of a counterexample and n the size of the minimal Moore automaton accepting $\llbracket e \rrbracket$, then $a = n * |At| * |\Sigma|$ and $b = m * n$.

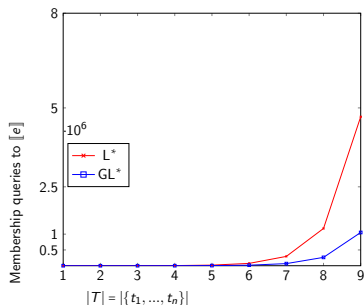
If T is finite, then $At \cong 2^T$.

Comparison: Implementation



(a)

- $e = \text{if } t_1 \text{ then } p_1 \text{ else } p_2$
- $\Sigma = \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$



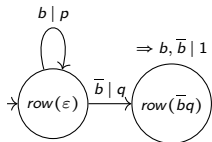
(b)

- $e = (\text{while } t_1 \text{ do } p_1) \cdot p_2$
- $\Sigma = \{p_1, p_2\}$

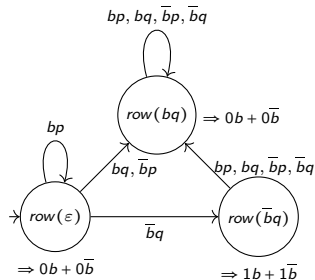
Comparison: Embedding

Lemma

$$f(m(\mathcal{X})) \cong m(f(\mathcal{X}))$$



GL^*



L^*

$\llbracket (\text{while } b \text{ do } p) \cdot q \rrbracket$

The end

Thanks for listening!

Appendix

Introduction: Kleene Algebra

$$\text{Exp}_\Sigma / \equiv_{\text{KA}} \xleftrightarrow{\cong} \text{DFA}_\Sigma / \cong$$

$\swarrow \llbracket \cdot \rrbracket \quad \nwarrow \langle\langle \cdot \rangle\rangle$

$$\text{im}(\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket) = \text{im}(\langle\langle \cdot \rangle\rangle)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket t \rrbracket &= \{ \alpha \in \text{At} \mid \alpha \leq t \} & \llbracket \bar{b} \rrbracket &= \text{At} \setminus \llbracket b \rrbracket \\ \llbracket 0 \rrbracket &= \emptyset & \llbracket 1 \rrbracket &= \text{At} & \llbracket p \rrbracket &= \{ \alpha p \beta \mid \alpha, \beta \in \text{At} \} \\ & & \llbracket e + f \rrbracket &= \llbracket e \rrbracket \cup \llbracket f \rrbracket \\ & & \llbracket e \cdot f \rrbracket &= \llbracket e \rrbracket \diamond \llbracket f \rrbracket & \llbracket e^* \rrbracket &= \llbracket e \rrbracket^* \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Exp}_{\Sigma, T} / \equiv_{\text{KAT}} & \xleftrightarrow{\cong} & \text{AGS}_{\Sigma, T} / \cong \\ \downarrow \llbracket \cdot \rrbracket & & \downarrow \langle\langle \cdot \rangle\rangle \\ & \text{im}(\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket) = \text{im}(\langle\langle \cdot \rangle\rangle) & \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \iota &: \text{GExp}_{\Sigma, T} \longrightarrow \text{Exp}_{\Sigma, T} \\ \text{if } b \text{ then } e \text{ else } f &\longmapsto be + \bar{b}f \\ \text{while } b \text{ do } e &\longmapsto (be)^* \bar{b} \end{aligned}$$

Comparison: Embedding

$$f((X, \delta, x)) := (X + \{\star\}, \langle \partial, \varepsilon \rangle, x)$$

$$\partial(x)(\alpha p) := \begin{cases} y & \text{if } x \in X, \delta(x)(\alpha) = (p, y) \\ \star & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\varepsilon(x)(\alpha) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in X, \delta(x)(\alpha) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} .$$

$\llbracket x \rrbracket_{\mathcal{X}} = \llbracket x \rrbracket_{f(\mathcal{X})}$ for all $x \in X$, and $\llbracket \star \rrbracket_{f(\mathcal{X})} = \emptyset$.

$\llbracket f(\mathcal{X}) \rrbracket_{f(\mathcal{X})} = \llbracket \mathcal{X} \rrbracket_{\mathcal{X}}$.