# Walkin' in free Inverse Monoids 

(how to bring coal to newcastle ?)

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## Music modeling

The structure of music is complex with mixed sequential, parallel and hierarchical features.


A theory of overlapping structures is needed for computer music analysis and/or production.

Observation
Inverse semigroup theory provides almost everything we need for music analysis [Jan12c] or for music design and production [BJM12].

## 1. Playground

Within free inverse monoids

## Bi-rooted trees

The free inverse monoid and its Rees' quotients


Examples
Typical models defined by choosing adequate ideals.

- directed trees generated by $\perp=\left\langle\{a \bar{b}\}_{a, b \in A, a \neq b}\right\rangle$.
- McAlister tiles generated by $\perp=\left\langle\{a \bar{b}, \bar{a} b\}_{a, b \in A, a \neq b}\right\rangle$.


## Birooted F-terms

Signature
A finite alphabet of function names $F$ and an arity mapping $\rho: F \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(E)$ with finite set $E$ of argument names.

Example
$F=\{f, g, h\}$ with $\rho(f)=\{1,2\}, \rho(g)=\{1,2\}$ and $\rho(h)=\emptyset$.
$F$-tree $g(f(h, h), h)$
encoded as a bi-rooted tree


## Birooted F-trees

Signature
A finite alphabet of function names $F$ and an arity mapping $\rho: F \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(E)$.

Observation
Birooted $F$-trees can be embedded into $\operatorname{FIM}(A) / \perp$ with alphabet $A=F+\{(f, e, g) \in F \times E \times F: e \in \rho(f)\}$ and $\perp$ the ideal of bad encodings, i.e. birooted trees that do not define a partial $F$-tree.

Observation
Complete (finite) birooted $F$-trees are minimal non zero elements in the natural order.

Examples

- $F=\{1\}$ with $\rho(1)=A$, essentially directed trees,
- $F=A$ with $\rho(a)=\{1\}$, essentially McAslister tiles.


## 2. Languages of birooted trees

Towards a birooted tree language theory

## Three classical classes of languages

## REC

Languages $L \subseteq F I M(A)$ recognizable by morphism, i.e. there is morphism $\varphi: \operatorname{FIM}(A) \rightarrow S$ with finite $S$ such that $L=\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(L))$.

RAT
Languages $L \subseteq F I M(A)$ definable by a rational expression, i.e. a finite combination of finite languages with sum + , product $\cdot$ and iterated product (Kleene star) *.

MSO
Languages $L \subseteq \operatorname{FIM}(A)$ definable by an formula of Monadic Second Order logic (MSO), i.e. $L=\left\{x \in \operatorname{FIM}(A): x \models \varphi_{L}\right\}$ for some MSO definable characteristic property $\varphi L$ of $L$.

## Separation result

Theorem (Buchi, Elgot)
Within $A^{*}$ we have REC $=R A T=M S O$.
Theorem ([Jan13, DJ12])
Within $\operatorname{FIM}(A)$ (or even $M_{A}$ ) we have $R E C \subset R A T \subset M S O$ with strict inclusion.

## 3. Tile languages

## McAlister monoid

Positive tiles encoded as triples $(u, v, w) \in A^{*} \times A^{*} \times A^{*}$

and negative tiles encoded as $(u v, \bar{v}, v w) \in A^{*} \times \bar{A}^{*} \times A^{*}$


## Tiles product

Given two tiles encoded as $u=\left(u_{1}, u_{2}, u_{3}\right)$ and $v=\left(v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}\right)$,

there is at most one tile $w=\left(w_{1}, w_{2}, w_{3}\right)$


- left match: $A^{*} w_{1}=A^{*} u_{1} \cap A^{*} v_{1} \bar{u}_{2}$,
- right match : $w_{3} A^{*}=v_{3} A^{*} \cap \bar{v}_{2} u_{3} A^{*}$.

In that case we take $u \cdot v=w$ and otherwise we take $u \cdot v=0$. The resulting tile monoid, McAlister monoid, is denoted by $M_{A}$.

## MSO

Operators on languages

- Sum: $X+Y=X \cup Y$,
- Product: $X \cdot Y=\{x y: x \in X, y \in Y\}$,
- Iterated product (star): $X^{*}=\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} X^{k}$,
- Idempotent proj.: $X^{E}=\{x \in X: x x=x\}=X \cap E(F I M(A))$.
- Inverse: $X^{-1}=\left\{x^{-1}: x \in X\right\}$.


## Theorem (Robustness [Jan13], [Jan12d])

The class MSO of languages of tiles is closed under complement, sum, product, iterated product (star), inverses, idempotent projections.

## MSO

Theorem (Simplicity [Jan13])
For every MSO language $L$, given $L^{+}$(resp. $L^{-}$) the set of positive (resp. negative) tiles in $L$, we have:

$$
L^{+}=\sum_{k \in I} L_{k} \times C_{k} \times R_{k} \text { and, resp. } L^{-}=\sum_{k \in J}\left(L_{k} \times C_{k} \times R_{k}\right)^{-1}
$$

for finite $I$ and $J$ and regular word languages $L_{k}, C_{k}$ and $R_{k} \subseteq A^{*}$.
Proof.
An MSO definable language of positive tiles is just an MSO definable language of words in $A_{\rho}^{*} A^{*} A_{s}^{*}$ with $A_{\rho}$ and $A_{s}$ two disjoint copies of $A$.

## MSO

## Definition

Let E-RAT be the class of languages definable by means of sum, product, star and idempotent projection.

Theorem (MSO = E-RAT [DJ12])
Language $L \subseteq M_{A}$ is MSO if and only if it is definable by sum, product, star and idempotent projection of finite languages.

Proof.
E-RAT is closed under inverse operator and, for every regular $L, C$ and $R \subseteq A^{*}, L \times C \times R=(1 \times L \times 1)^{L} \cdot(1 \times C \times 1) \cdot(1 \times R \times 1)^{R}$ with $X^{L}=\left\{x^{-1} x: x \in X\right\}, X^{R}=\left\{x x^{-1}: x \in X\right\}$ and that fact that $X^{L}=\left(X^{-1} X\right)^{E}=\left(X^{-1}\right)^{R}$.

## RAT

Fact
There is an ideal $\perp \subseteq(A+\bar{A})^{*}$ such that:

(walks)
( structures)

Theorem ([DJ12])
Language $L \subseteq M_{A}$ is RAT if and only if $L=\theta(W)$ for some regular language $W \subseteq(A+\bar{A})^{*}$.

## RAT

## Corollary

Language $L \subseteq M_{A}$ is $R A T$ if and only if $L$ recognizable by a finite walking automaton.

Proof.
Take the one way automaton on alphabet $A+\bar{A}$ that recognizes $W \subseteq(A+\bar{A})^{*}$ with $L=\theta(W)$.
Interpret it as a two-way automaton on tiles that recognizes $\theta(W) \subseteq M_{A}$.

Corollary
The inclusion RAT $\subset M S O$ is strict as witnessed by $L=E\left(M_{A}\right)$ and a simple pumping argument (on the underlying walking automaton).

## RAT

## Corollary

If language $L \subseteq M_{A}$ is RAT then $L=\psi^{-1}(\psi(L))$ for some finite monoid $S$ and relational morphism $\psi: M_{A} \rightarrow S$.


## Question

Does this lead to an interesting characterization of RAT ?

## REC

## Lemma

The inclusion REC $\subset$ RAT is strict as witnessed by
$L=1 \times b a^{*} \times 1$ that has a syntactic congruence of infinite index.
Theorem ([Jan13])
For every morphism $\varphi: M_{A} \rightarrow S$, every $s \in S-0$, there are $x$ and $y \in A^{*}$ such that: $\varphi^{-1}(s)$ is essentially a co-finite subset of tiles of the form $(u, v, w)$ with ${ }^{\omega}(x y) \geq_{s} u, v \in x(y x)^{*}, w \leq_{p}(y x)^{\omega}$.

Proof.
Let $\varphi: M_{A} \rightarrow S$ for some monoid $S$ (even infinite). Let $s \in S-0$. Then $\varphi^{-1}(s)$ is totally ordered both by left and right Green's preorder.
... and some combinatorics to conclude. . .

## 4. Walking in $\operatorname{FIM}(A)$

## Walk languages vs tree languages

Observation
Reading words of $(A+\bar{A})^{*}$ amount to walking on some underlying birooted trees.

Walk languages
Language $W \subseteq(A+\bar{A})^{*}$ is a walk language of the tree language $L \subseteq F I M(A) / \perp$ when $L+0=\eta \circ \theta(W)+0$.

$$
(A+\bar{A})^{*} \underbrace{\theta}_{\operatorname{FIM}(A)} \underset{\sim}{\eta \circ \theta} \operatorname{FIM}(A) / \perp
$$

## Question

How classes of tree languages in $\operatorname{FIM}(A) / \perp$ are related with classes of the underlying walk languages in $(A+\bar{A})^{*}$ ?

## Walking automata

Theorem ([Jan12d, DJ12])

- REC $=$ Strongly deterministic finite state walking Automata,
- RAT $=$ Finite state walking automata,
- MSO = Many-Pebble finite state walking automata.

Fact
REC $\neq$ RAT witnessed by ba*.
$R A T \neq M S O$ witness by $E(\operatorname{FIM}(A))$.

## MSO and the pebble hierarchy

Idempotent projection
For every language $X$, let $X^{E}=\{x \in X: x x=x\}$.
$k$-rational languages
Language $L$ is $k$-rational when either $L$ is rational or $k>0$ and $L$ is a finite rational combination of languages of the form $X$ or $X^{E}$ with $X \in R A T^{k-1}$.

Fact
$R A T^{k}$ is closed under inverses for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$.
Theorem ([Jan12d])
$R E C \subset R A T=R A T^{0} \subset R A T^{1} \subseteq R A T^{2} \subseteq \cdots U_{k} R A T^{k} \subseteq M S O$ probably with strict inclusions.

Theorem ([Jan13, DJ12])
Over tiles $R E C \subset R A T \subset R A T^{1}=M S O$.

## 5. Quasi-recognizability

## A newcomer question

## Fact

Within FIM(A), the class REC collapses.

## Question

How to relax the notion REC into some (notion of) quasi-REC (QREC) in such a way MSO = QREC (in relevant case) ?

## Ideas

1. relax morphism condition $\varphi(x y)=\varphi(x) \varphi(y)$ into premorphism condition $\varphi(x y) \leq \varphi(x) \varphi(y)$.
2. restrict to an adequate class of finite (ordered) monoid and premorphism in such a way that pre-images remain MSO definable.

## Adhoc candidates for QREC

## QREC points

Stable ordered monoid ( $S, \leq$ ) such that:

- $U(S)=\{x \leq 1\} \subseteq E(S)$, i.e. subunits are idempotents,
- for all $x \in S$, both $x_{R}=\bigwedge\{e \in U(S): e x=x\}$ and $x_{L}=\{f \in U(S): x f=x\}$ exist in $U(S)$,
- for all $x$ and $y \in S$, if $x=x_{R} y x_{L}$ then $x \leq y$. .


## QREC arrows

Premorphism $\varphi: \operatorname{FIM}(A) / \perp \rightarrow(S, \leq)$, i.e. $\varphi(1)=1$ and, for every $x$ and $y$, if $x \leq y$ then $\varphi(x) \leq \varphi(y)$ and $\varphi(x y) \leq \varphi(x) \varphi(y)$, such that:

- for every disjoint product $x \cdot y$, we have $\varphi(x \cdot y)=\varphi(x) \varphi(y)$,
- for every $x$, we have $\varphi\left(x_{L}\right)=(\varphi(x))_{L}$ and $\varphi\left(x_{R}\right)=(\varphi(x))_{R}$. with $x_{L}=x^{-1} x$ and $x_{R}=x x^{-1}$ in $\operatorname{FIM}(A) / \perp$.


## QREC vs MSO

Let $M_{A}^{+}=0+A^{*} \times A^{*} \times A^{*}$ be the submonoid of $M_{A}$ of positive tiles.

Theorem ([Jan12b])
If $L \subseteq M_{A}^{+}$is $Q R E C$ then $L$ is $M S O$.
Theorem ([Jan12b])
If $L \subseteq M_{A}^{+}$is MSO and if tiles of $L$ are plugged, i.e. with tiles of the form ( $\# u, v, w \#$ ) for some marker \#, then $L$ is QREC.

## Q-expansion

Monoid $\mathcal{Q}$-expansion
Let $S$ be a monoid. Let $\mathcal{Q}(S)=0+\mathcal{L}_{S} \times S \times \mathcal{R}_{S}$ with

$$
(L, s, R) \cdot(M, t, N)=\left(L \cap(M) s^{-1}, s t, t^{-1}(R) \cap N\right)
$$

when compatible, and 0 otherwise.
Theorem ([Jan12a])
For every monoid $S$, monoid $\mathcal{Q}(S)$ ordered by $(L, s, R) \leq(M, t, N)$ when $L \subseteq M, s=t$ and $R \subseteq N$ is a stable $U$-semiadequate monoid.

Theorem
There is an embedding $\iota_{A}: M_{A}^{+} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}\left(A^{*}\right)$.

## Q-expansion

Morphism $\mathcal{Q}$-expansion
Let $\varphi: S \rightarrow T$. Let $\mathcal{Q}(\varphi): \mathcal{Q}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}(T)$ defined, on every non zero positive tile $(L, s, R)$, by

$$
\mathcal{Q}(\varphi)(L, s, R)=(S \varphi(L), \varphi(s), \varphi(R) S)
$$

and let $\eta_{S}: \mathcal{Q}(S) \rightarrow S^{0}$ defined by $\eta_{S}((L, s, R))=s$.
Theorem ([Jan12a])
For every morphism $\varphi: S \rightarrow T$, mapping $\mathcal{Q}(\varphi)$ is a well-behaved premorphism (i.e. QREC arrows) and the following diagram commutes.


Theorem
For every plugged language $L \subseteq M_{A+\#}^{+}$, if $L$ is MSO then, given $\varphi: A^{*} \rightarrow S$ "recognizing" $L \subseteq \# A^{*} \times A^{*} \times A^{*} \#$, then $L$ is QREC by $\mathcal{Q}(\varphi): M_{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}(S)$.

## 6. Conclusion

## Work in progress

Extending/developing QREC towards:

- languages of positive and negative tiles,
- languages of finite directed trees,
- languages of finite and infinite trees (completing $\operatorname{FIM}(A)$ with infinite many rooted trees).

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