ON THE AMORTIZED COST OF AN ODOMETER

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So far, different aspects of odometers have been studied :

Combinatorial, Metrical, Topological, Dynamics, Sequential properties, ...

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OUR MAIN QUESTION

What is the cost / complexity in average for computing the odometer (i.e., successor map) on finite words, e.g. on integer representations?

$$egin{array}{cccc} n & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{rep}(n) & \in \Sigma^* \ \downarrow & \downarrow & \ n+1 & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{rep}(n+1) & \in \Sigma^* \end{array}$$

WORDS'05

E. Barcucci, R. Pinzani, M. Poneti, *Exhaustive generation of some regular languages by using numeration systems*.

For numeration systems built on some linear recurrent sequences of order 2, the "amortized cost" for computing rep(n + 1) from rep(n) is bounded by a constant (CAT).

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For any rational set R of A^* , the odometer on R is a synchronized function.

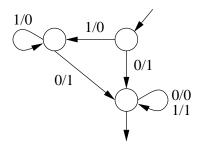
i.e., letter-to-letter (left or right) finite transducer with a terminal function appending values of the form (u, ε) or (ε, v)

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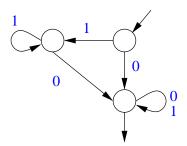
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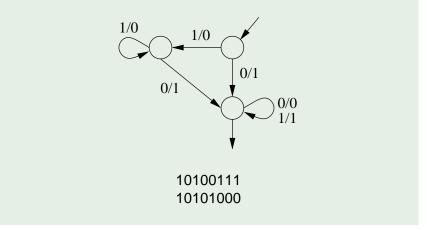
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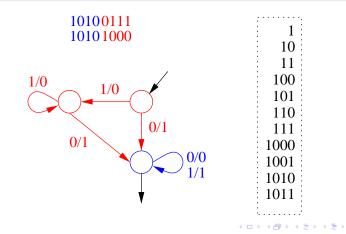
A (TRIVIAL) SEQUENTIAL FUNCTION



DEFINITION (COST)

We define the cost for computing rep(n + 1) from rep(n) as

- the position up to where the carry propagates, or
- the length of the path lying in the "transient part",
- for an integer base system, the number of changed digits.

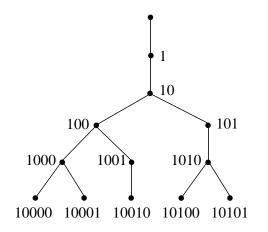


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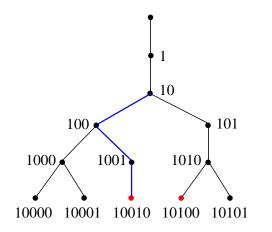
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So, cost can be expressed mainly on words

$$uav \longrightarrow ubv', \quad a \neq b, \quad |v| = |v'|$$

 $cost = |av|$

Let us introduce a different notion (computational aspects)

DEFINITION (COMPLEXITY)

The (algorithmic) complexity for computing rep(n + 1) from rep(n) is the minimum number of operations required to perform this computation (in the sense of a Turing machine).

Remark

Consider a numeration system such that the odometer can be realized by a letter-to-letter (right) sequential transducer.

In that case, the cost is equal to the (algorithmic) complexity.

Indeed, it is not possible to do less computations, the Turing machine at least has to read the digits up to where the carry propagates

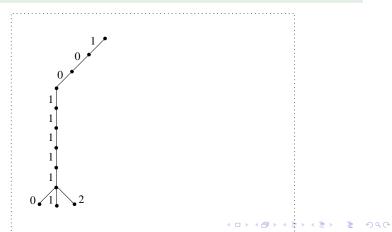
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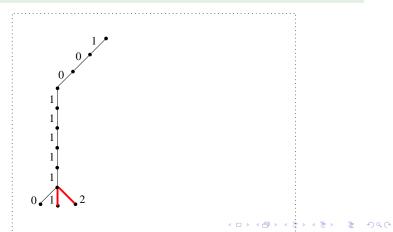


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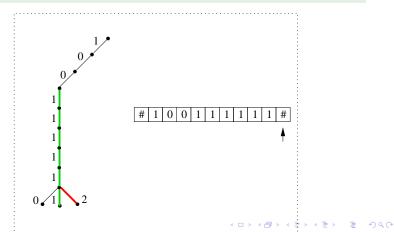


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All this work on cost/complexity can be done in a general setting

DEFINITION

An abstract numeration system is a triple S = (L, A, <) where *L* is a infinite (rational) language over a totally ordered alphabet (A, <).

The representation of $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is the (n + 1)-st word in the genealogically (i.e., radix) ordered language *L*.

EXAMPLE

$$L = \{(ab), (ac)\}^*, a < b < c$$

$$\frac{0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7 \ \cdots}{\varepsilon \ ab \ ac \ abab \ abac \ acab \ acac \ ababab \ \cdots}$$

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THEOREM

Let *L* be a rational language having \mathcal{M} as trim minimal automaton.

If the adjacency matrix *M* of \mathcal{M} is primitive with $\beta > 1$ as dominating Perron eigenvalue and if all states of \mathcal{M} are final, then the amortized cost of the odometer on *L* is $\frac{\beta}{\beta-1}$.

Remark

- If the corresponding transducer is right sequential, then this is exactly the amortized (algorithmic) complexity.
- Otherwise, we get information on the average position up to where some change can occur. (More ?)

Remark

All states final means *L* is prefix closed.

PERRON THEORY

Let *M* be a $d \times d$ primitive matrix having $\beta > 1$ as dominating eigenvalue. The following holds

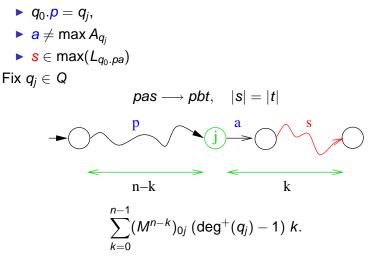
$$\forall i,j \in \{0,\ldots,d-1\}, \exists c_{ij} > 0 : (M^n)_{ij} = c_{ij} \beta^n + o(\beta^n).$$

If **x** (resp. **y**) is a left $1 \times d$ (resp. right $d \times 1$) eigenvector of M of eigenvalue β such that **x**.**y** = 1 then $\forall 0 \le i, j < d$,

$$\mathbf{c}_{ij} = \mathbf{y}_i \, \mathbf{x}_j, \quad i.e., \ \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{M^n}{\beta^n} = \mathbf{y}.\mathbf{x}.$$

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Then sum over Q...

RESULT

Let $\beta > 1$ be a Parry number. The amortized cost of the odometer for the canonical linear numeration system associated with β is $\beta/(\beta - 1)$.

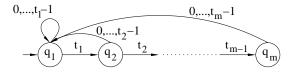
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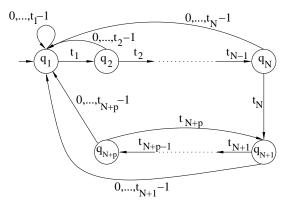
For such β -numeration systems (β being a Parry number), we have

- a right sequential transducer in the finite type,
- but NOT in the sofic case.

simple Parry number



non-simple case



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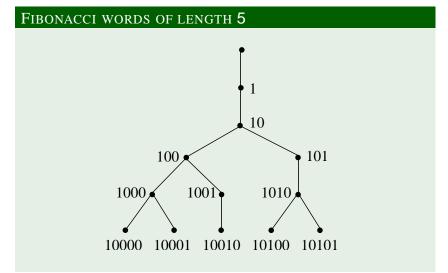
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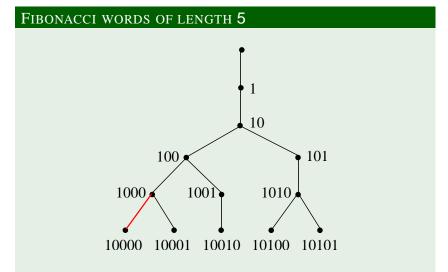
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NEXT STEP, EASY TO HANDLE

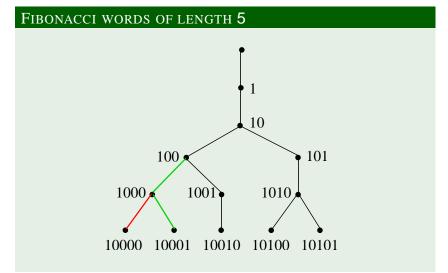
Consider several primitive strongly connected components...

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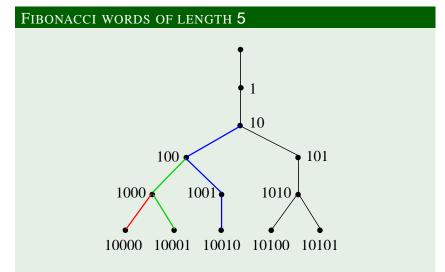




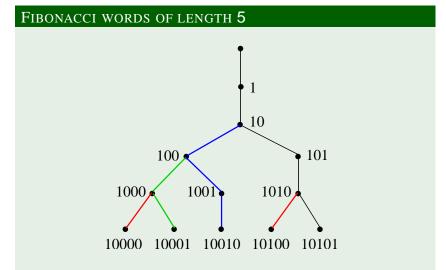
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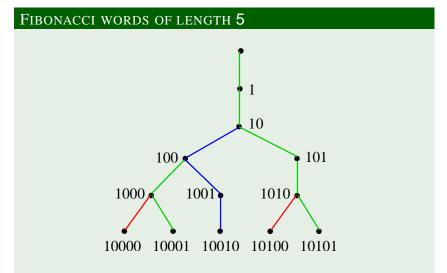
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Consequently, the total cost for all words of length n is

 $\mathcal{C}_n := \#\{\text{edges in } T_n\} + 1 = \#\{\text{leaves in } T_n\} = \#(L \cap \Sigma^{\leq n})$

"Nice" hypothesis :

- *L* is a prefix closed language ($uv \in L \Rightarrow u \in L$)
- Any branch in the tree is infinite

Remark

If $u_L : n \mapsto \#(L \cap \Sigma^n)$ has a "nice asymptotic behavior", then the amortized cost can be computed...

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n} \mathcal{C}_i}{\#(L \cap \Sigma^{\leq n})} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{i} u_L(k)}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} u_L(i)}$$

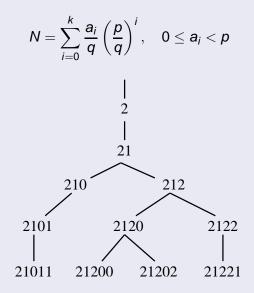
QUESTION

Can we compute the amortized complexity if there is no sequential transducer behind?

If *L* is rational, when can the odometer be computed with a right sequential transducer? (local automaton)

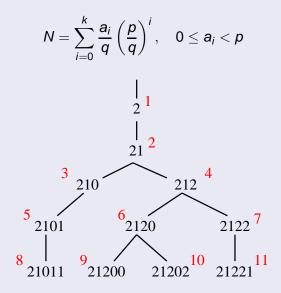
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The language of numeration is "highly" non-rational : any two sub-trees of the lexicographic tree are non-isomorphic but it is easy to build a digit-to-digit right sequential transducer that realizes the odometer

PROPOSITION

For the base p/q system, $p > q \ge 1$, the amortized cost (resp. complexity) is

$$\frac{\frac{p}{q}}{\frac{p}{q}-1}$$

EXAMPLE OF LANGUAGE WITH ZERO ENTROPY

 a^*b^* is a rational, prefix closed language (and any branch in the lexicographic tree is infinite)

 $u(n) = #(a^*b^* \cap \{a, b\}^n) = n + 1$, therefore

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n} \# (L \cap \Sigma^{\leq i})}{\# (L \cap \Sigma^{\leq n})} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{6} (n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{\frac{1}{2} (n+1)(n+2)} = +\infty.$$