



Periodic and Infinite Traces in Matrix Semigroups

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Overview

- ▶ Matrix Semigroups Problems
- ▶ Post Correspondence Problem (PCP)
- ▶ Fixed Element PCP (FEPCP)
- ▶ Application of FEPCP
 - ▶ *Any Diagonal Matrix Problem,*
 - ▶ *Recurrent Matrix Problem*
 - ▶ *Vector Ambiguity Problem*
 - ▶ *Infinite Post Correspondence Problem*



Matrix Semigroup Problems

- ▶ Given a set of matrices: $G = \{M_1, M_2, \dots, M_k\}$
 - ▶ **(Membership problem)**
Can we construct a product of matrices that is equal M ?
 - ▶ **(Vector Reachability problem)**
Given a pair of vectors x, y . Whether exist M in S : $Mx = y$?
 - ▶ **(Freeness problem)**
Can we check that a generator G forms a free multiplicative group of matrices?
- ▶ We want to study more structural properties about matrix semigroups: *Any Diagonal Matrix Problem, Recurrent Matrix Problem, Vector Ambiguity Problem*



Problems about periodic and infinite traces

▶ **Any Diagonal Matrix Problem**

Given a finite set of matrices G generating a semigroup S . Does there exist any matrix $D \in S$ such that D is a diagonal matrix?

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Given a matrix B and a semigroup S generated by a finite set of matrices G . Does B have an infinite number of factorizations over elements of G ?

▶ **Vector Ambiguity Problem**

Given a semigroup S of $(n \times n)$ -matrices and an initial n -dimensional vector u . Let V be a set of vectors such that

$V = \{v : v = Mu; M \in S\}$. Do S and u generate a non-repetitive set of vectors?

In other words the question is whether for every vector v of set V there is a unique matrix $M \in S$ such that $M \cdot u = v$?



Post's Correspondence Problem

We are given an indexed set of pairs of (binary) words $\{(u_1, v_1), (u_2, v_2), \dots, (u_n, v_n)\}$.

PCP(n): Does there exist a finite sequence (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k) such that $u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k} = v_{i_1} v_{i_2} \dots v_{i_k}$?

$$P_1 = \left[\frac{aab}{a} \right], P_2 = \left[\frac{ba}{a} \right], P_3 = \left[\frac{ab}{bbaabb} \right]$$

Now take the sequence $P_1 \cdot P_2 \cdot P_3 \cdot P_2$:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} aab & ba & ab & ba \\ a & a & bbaabb & a \end{array}$$

It is known that PCP(2) is decidable and PCP(7) is undecidable.

Fixed Element PCP (direct reachability)

Fixed Element PCP problem is undecidable for 14 pairs of words.

Given an alphabet $\Gamma = \{a, a^{-1}, b, b^{-1}, c, c^{-1}, *\}$ and a finite set of pairs of words over Γ , $P = \{(u_1, v_1), (u_2, v_2), \dots, (u_n, v_n)\} \subset \Gamma^* \times \Gamma^*$.

Does there exist a finite sequence of indices $s = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k)$ such that

$$u_{s_1} u_{s_2} \cdots u_{s_k} = v_{s_1} v_{s_2} \cdots v_{s_k} = * \quad ?$$

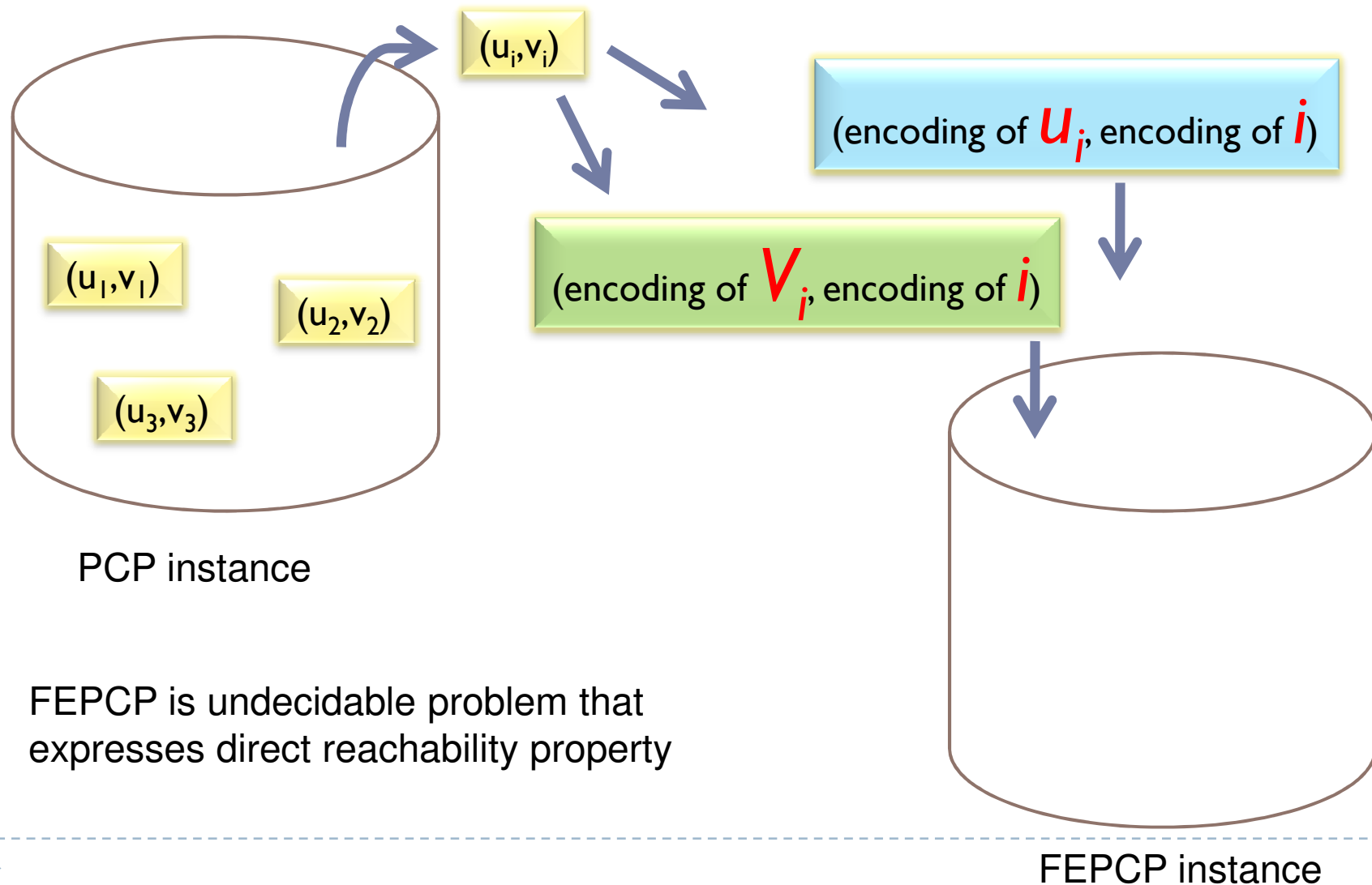
If we could fix that one pair (for example with an index s_1) will be used exactly once then we can have pairs from alphabet $\{a, a^{-1}, b, b^{-1}, c, c^{-1}\}$ and undecidability problem about whether **exist a finite sequence of indices $s = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k)$ such that**

$$u_{s_1} u_{s_2} \cdots u_{s_k} = v_{s_1} v_{s_2} \cdots v_{s_k} = \varepsilon \quad ?$$

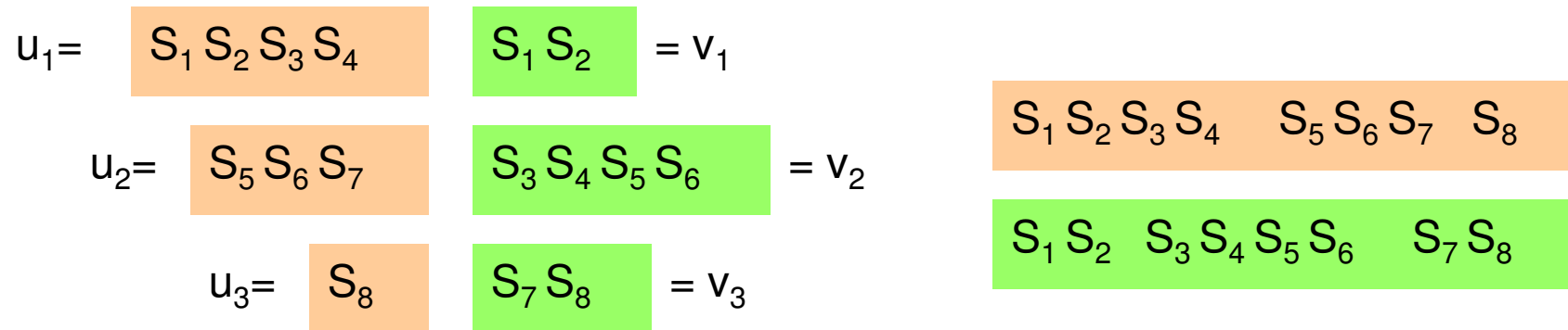
Recipe for Fixed Element PCP



Ingredients: PCP instances and encoding of indices



Tiling in FEPCP (basic idea)



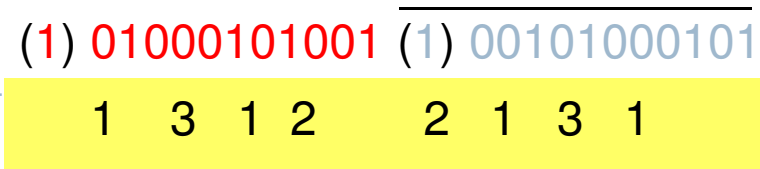
$$\varphi(u^R) \times \psi(v)$$



$$i \mapsto 0^i 1$$

We use a special index coding which also forms

▶ a palindrome:



Applications of FEPCP

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$$\zeta(a) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5}i & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{5} - \frac{4}{5}i \end{pmatrix}, \zeta(b) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \\ -\frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\zeta(\bar{a}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} - \frac{4}{5}i & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5}i \end{pmatrix}, \zeta(\bar{b}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma(\star) = \zeta(a), \gamma(a) = \zeta(bab), \gamma(b) = \zeta(b^2a^2b^2), \gamma(\Delta) = \zeta(b^3a^3b^3)$$

$$\gamma(\bar{a}) = \zeta(\bar{b}\bar{a}\bar{b}), \gamma(\bar{b}) = \zeta(\bar{b}^2\bar{a}^2\bar{b}^2), \gamma(\bar{\Delta}) = \zeta(\bar{b}^3\bar{a}^3\bar{b}^3),$$

We create a final set of 4-dimensional rational complex matrices:

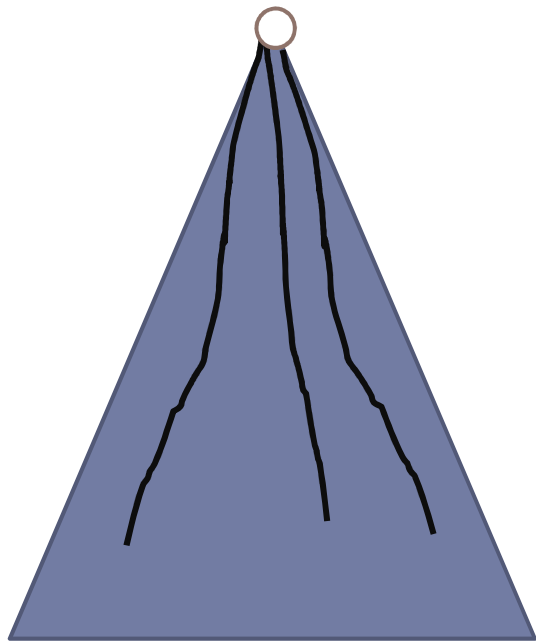
$$T = \{\gamma(u_1) \otimes \gamma(v_1), \gamma(u_2) \otimes \gamma(v_2), \dots, \gamma(u_n) \otimes \gamma(v_n)\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}(\mathbb{Q})^{4 \times 4}.$$

$$D = \gamma(u_{w_1} u_{w_2} \cdots u_{w_k}) \otimes \gamma(v_{w_1} v_{w_2} \cdots v_{w_k}) = \gamma(\star) \otimes \gamma(\star) = \zeta(a) \otimes \zeta(a),$$

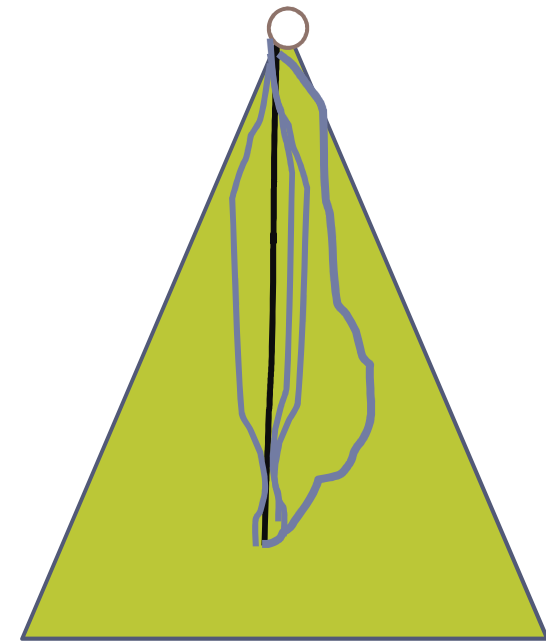
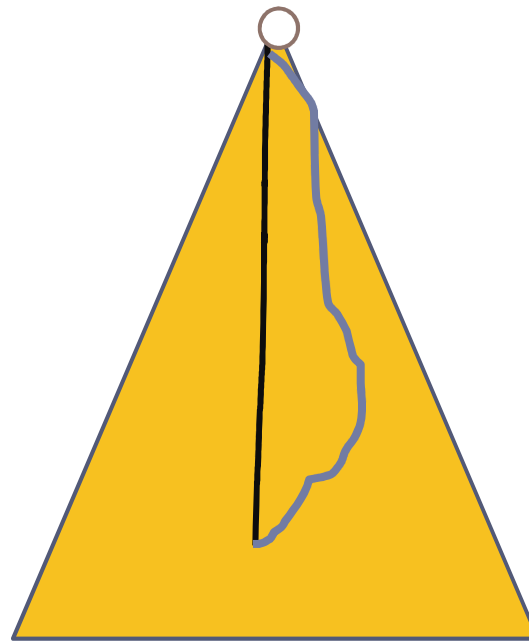


More questions about freeness related properties

- ▶ Matrix semigroup is free iff every product of basis matrices provides a unique transformation.



Free matrix semigroup



Non-Free matrix semigroups

Can be non-free with a constant number or with an infinite number of equivalent paths



Recurrent Matrix Problem

is undecidable for 4x4 matrix semigroup over \mathbb{Z} and 3x3 matrices over \mathbb{Q}

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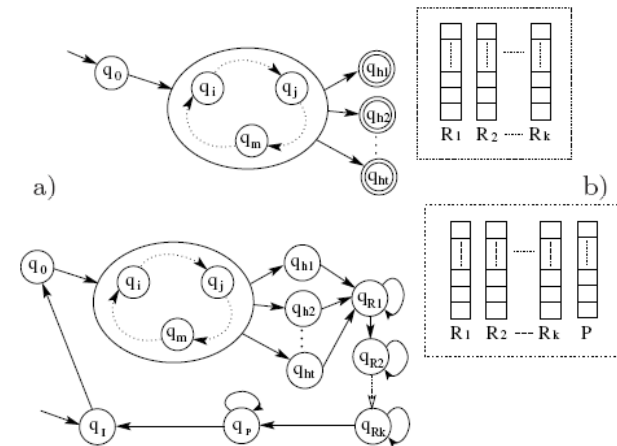
There are two ways to prove:

1. via simulation of special form of Minsky machine

Gives just a proof of above fact

2. via simulation of lossy FIFO automata

We can define a class of matrix semigroups with decidable membership and undecidable Recurrent Matrix Problem



Minsky Machine



Interpretation of computations in terms of concatenation of pair of words (PCP style)

Lossy FIFO automata



Application of FEPCP



Vector Ambiguity Problem

Free matrix semigroup provides the opportunity to construct a unique linear transformation by any combination of basis matrices.

Not every free semigroup can generate a non-repetitive set of vectors?



Given a semigroup S of $(n \times n)$ -matrices and an initial n -dimensional vector u . Let V be a set of vectors such that $V = \{v : v = Mu; M \in S\}$. It is undecidable to check whether S and u generate a non-repetitive set of vectors.

Proof idea: Simulate Minsky machine by PCP type of computation, encode it in terms of matrix multiplications. Only correct simulation may lead to the vector ambiguity, which is possible if there exist a periodic trajectory in MM.



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- Algebraic structures,
- Verification,
- Hybrid systems and
- Computational models

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