

Compressed Membership for NFA (DFA) with Compressed Labels is in NP (P)

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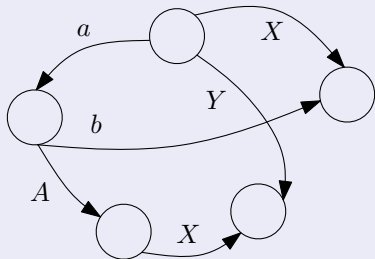
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Conjecture

In NP.

Partial results

- Plandowski & Rytter (unary in NP)
- Lohrey & Mathissen (highly periodic in NP, highly aperiodic in P)

New results

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Decompress locally the SLP:

$$X \rightarrow uYvZ$$

- u, v : blocks of letters, linear size
- Y, Z : nonterminals
- recompression inside u, v

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Theorem

There are $\mathcal{O}(\log |\text{val}(X_n)|)$ iterations.

Proof.

Consider two consecutive letters ab . One of them is compressed. So word shortens by a constant factor. □

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The pair is non-crossing: it always appears inside production. □

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After popping letters, ab is noncrossing.

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Easy, some simple cases. □

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- letters with crossing blocks and crossing pairs:
there are $\mathcal{O}(n)$ such letters and $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ pairs in $\text{val}(X_n)$

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- How efficient for DFA?
- Are word equations in NP?