

A tentative approach for the Wadge-Wagner hierarchy of regular tree languages of index $[0, 2]$

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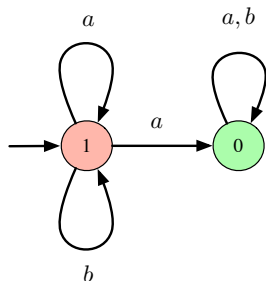
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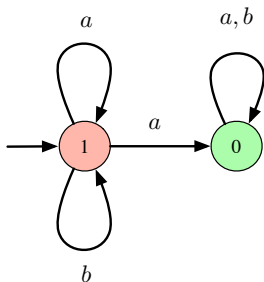
Automata on Infinite Words

- Automata that read **infinite words**
 (*parity acceptance conditions*: the largest priority visited infinitely often is **even**)



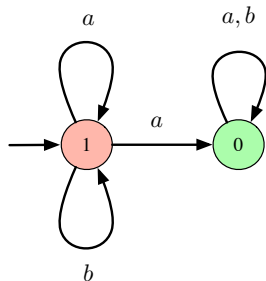
Automata on Infinite Trees

- What is the language?



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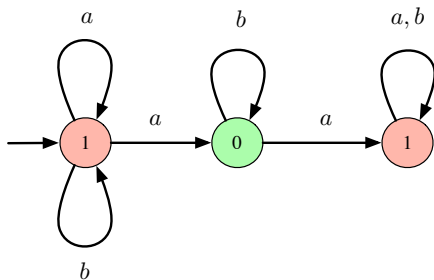
- (Σ_1^0 -complete)



$$\{w \mid w \text{ contains the letter } a\}$$

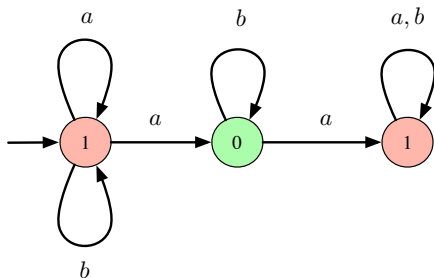
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Automata on Infinite Trees

- (Σ_2^0 -complete)



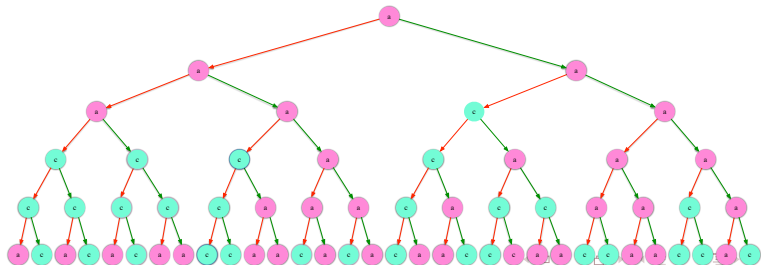
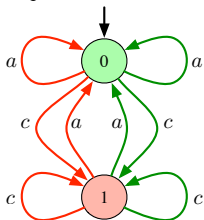
$\{w \mid w \text{ contains at least one but finitely many letters } a\}$

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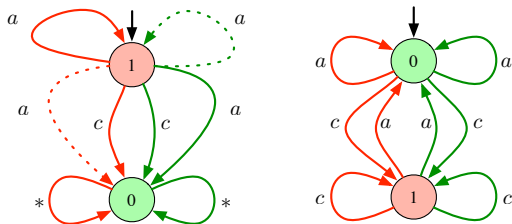
Automata on Infinite Trees

- Deterministic** \Rightarrow tree is *accepted* iff *all* branches are accepted
 \Rightarrow tree is *rejected* iff *some* branch is rejected



Automata on Infinite Trees

- **Nondeterministic** \Rightarrow Acceptance or Rejection of an input relies on *solving a game*: input tree is accepted iff Automaton has a w.s.
- two players:
 - Automaton takes charge of *nondeterminism*
 - Pathfinder takes charge of *branching* (left or right)
 - Automaton wins iff largest priority visited infinitely often is *even*
- yields Δ_2^1 languages



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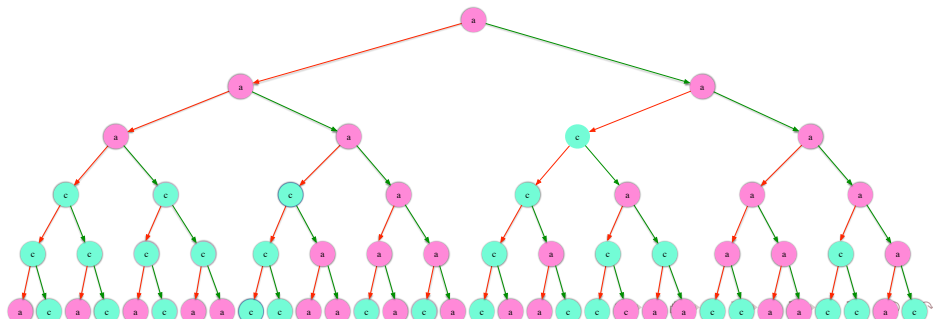
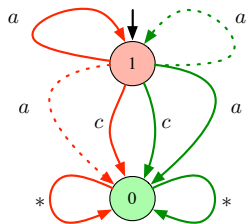
- Nondeterministic parity tree automaton

$$\mathcal{A} = \langle A, Q, I, \delta, r \rangle$$

- a finite input alphabet A ,
- a finite set Q of states,
- a set of initial states $I \subseteq Q$,
- a transition relation $\delta \subseteq Q \times A \times Q \times Q$ and
- a priority function $r : Q \rightarrow \omega$.

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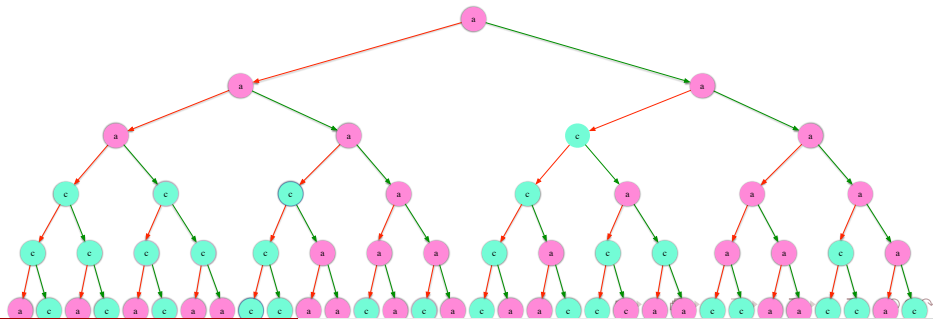
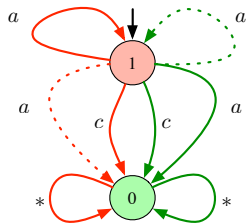
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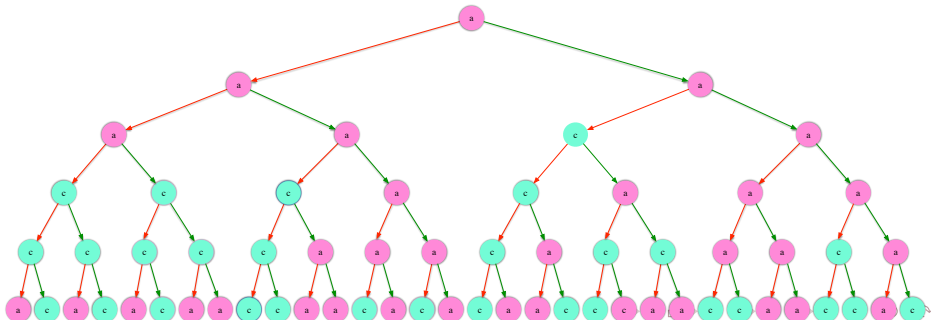
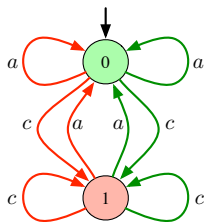
- (Σ_1^0 -complete)

$$\{t \mid t \text{ contains a } \textcircled{c}\}$$



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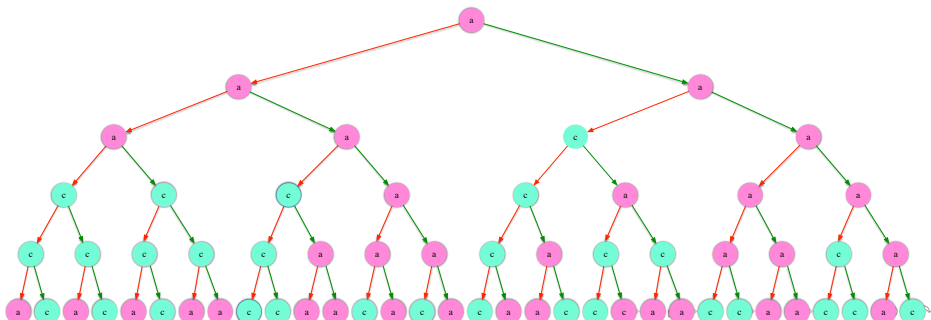
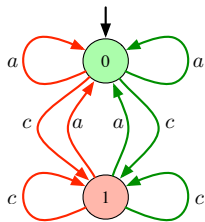
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Automata on Infinite Trees

- (Π_1^1 -complete)

$\{t \mid \text{no branch contains } \infty \text{ many } \textcircled{c}\}$



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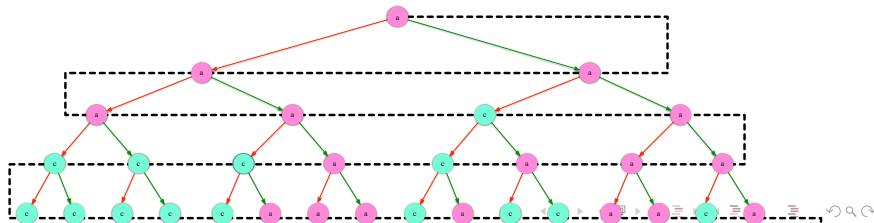
- The space T_A (of all full binary trees on the alphabet A) is homeomorphic to the Cantor space:

- either consider the prefix topology: any basic open set is of the form

$$N_s = \{t \in T_A \mid s \subseteq t\}$$

for some finite tree s over A ;

- or view each tree $t \in T_A$ as an infinite sequence $x_t \in A^\omega$.
 A is finite $\Rightarrow A^\omega$ (equipped with the product topology of the discrete topology on A) is homeomorphic to the Cantor Space.



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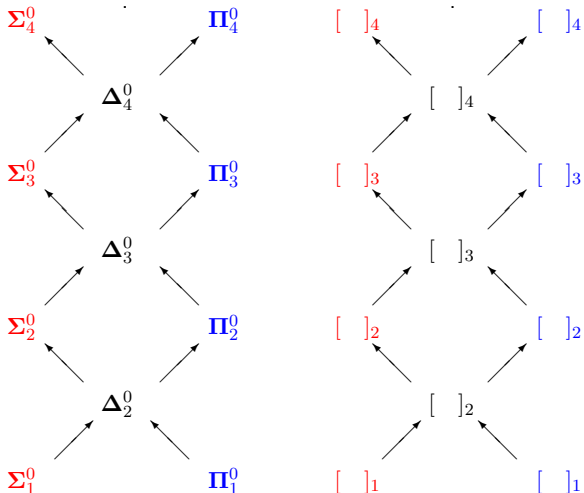
- 1 Given $L, M \subseteq T_A$, in the Wadge game $\mathbb{W}(L, M)$:
 - 1 player I builds $t_I \in T_A$ and player II builds $t_{II} \in T_A$;
 - 2 at every round, player I plays first, and both players add a finite number of children to the terminal nodes of their ongoing trees;
 - 3 player II is allowed to skip her turn, but has to produce a tree in T_A throughout a game;
 - 4 Player II wins the game if and only if $t_I \in L \Leftrightarrow t_{II} \in M$.
- 2 $L \leq_W M \Leftrightarrow II$ has a w.s. in $\mathbb{W}(L, M)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{there exists } f \text{ continuous s.t. } L = f^{-1}M$$
- 3 $L \equiv_W M \Leftrightarrow L \leq_W M \text{ and } M \leq_W L$.

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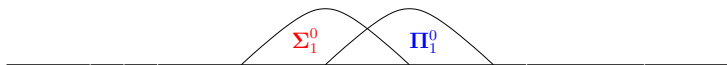
Borel hierarchy

Wadge hierarchy

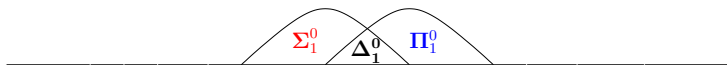
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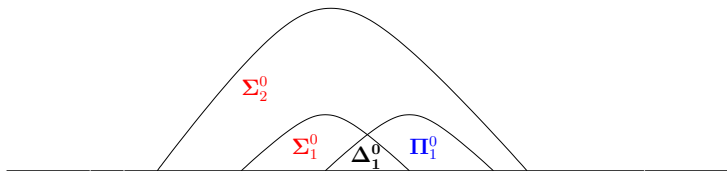
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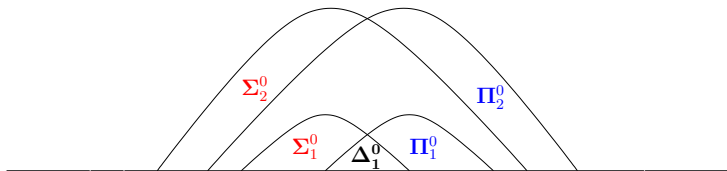
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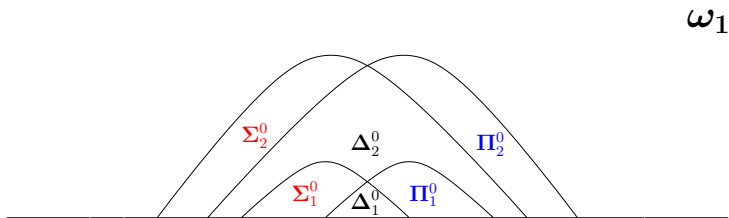
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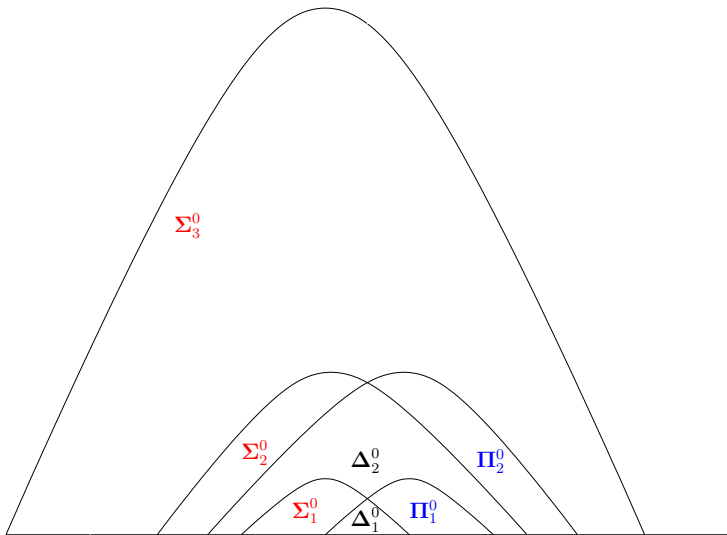
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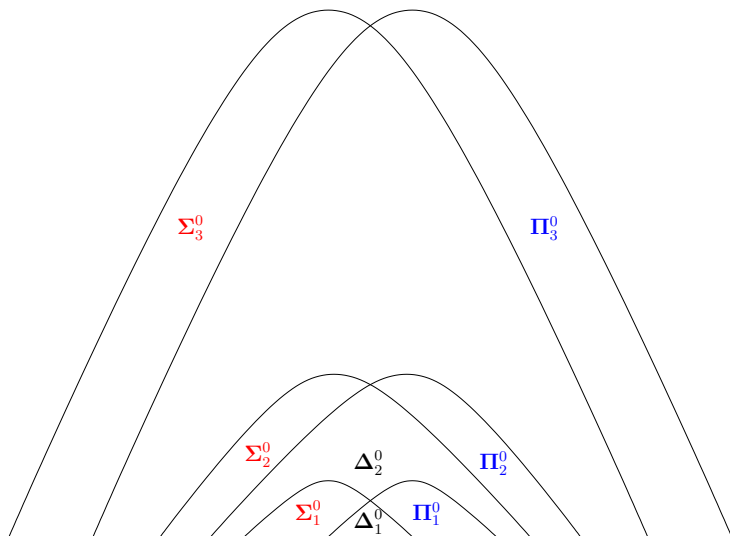
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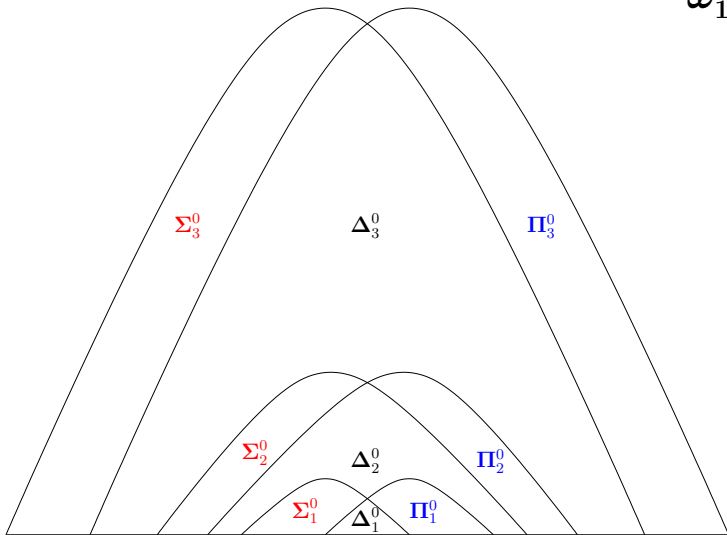
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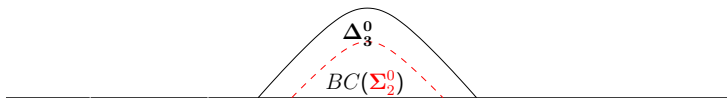
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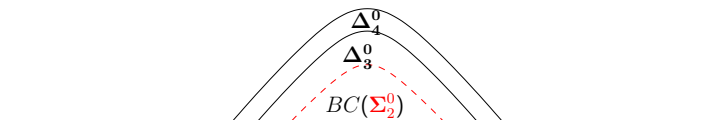
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 $\omega_1^{\omega_1}$ 

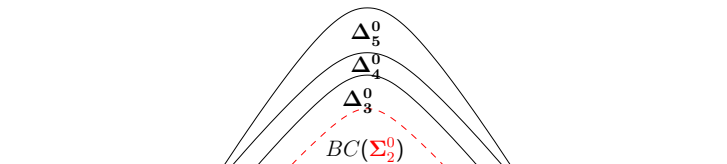
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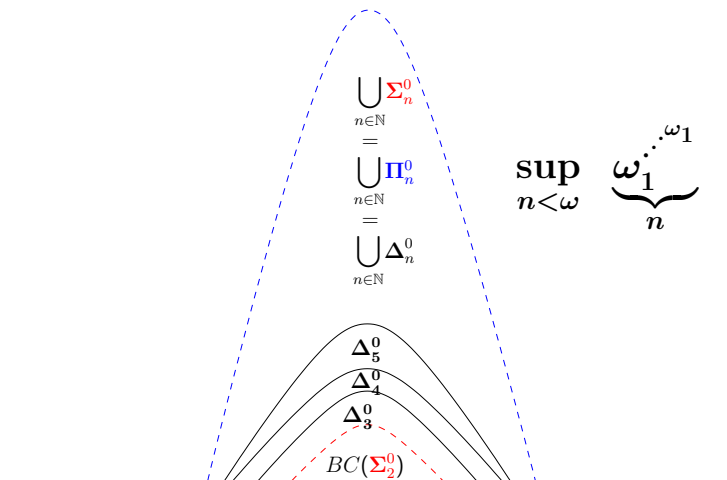
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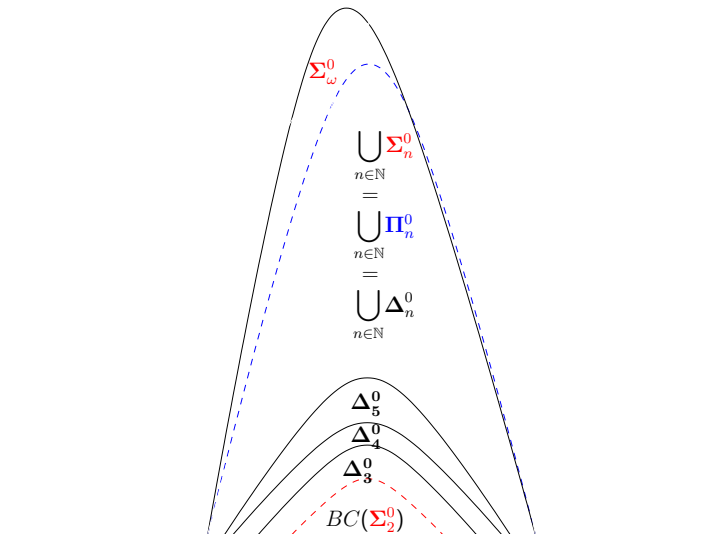
The Wedge Hierarchy



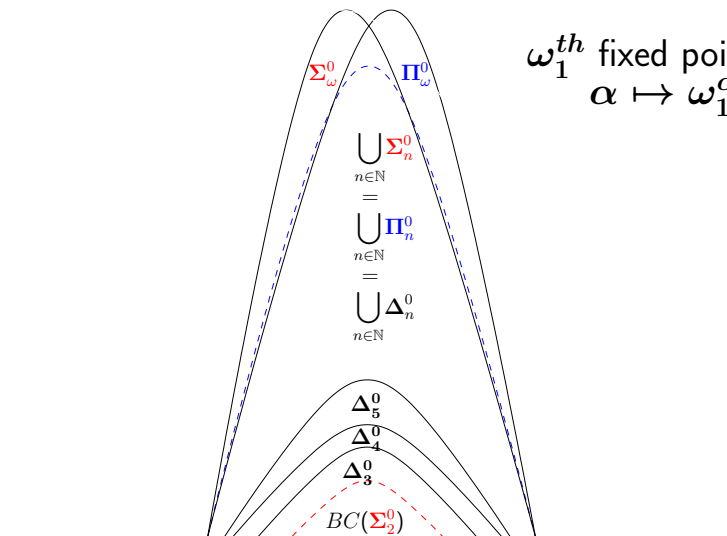
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ω_1^{th} fixed point of
 $\alpha \mapsto \omega_1^\alpha$

The Wadge Hierarchy

- Which classes are inhabited by regular languages?
- Height of Wadge Hierarchy restricted to regular languages?

- On words: ω^ω

[Klaus Wagner 1979]

- On trees:

- deterministic: $(\omega^\omega)^3 + 3$

[Filip Murlak 2006]

- non-deterministic: ???????

this paper: for priorities ≤ 2

$$\geq \varphi_2(0) + 1 = \sup_{n < \omega} \underbrace{\varepsilon_{\dots \varepsilon_0}}_n + 1$$

The Wadge Hierarchy

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \varepsilon_0 = \sup_{n < \omega} \underbrace{\omega^{\dots \omega^0}}_n ;$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \varepsilon_{\alpha+1} = \sup_{n < \omega} \underbrace{\omega^{\dots \omega^{(\varepsilon_\alpha+1)}}}_n ;$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \varepsilon_\lambda = \sup_{\alpha < \lambda} \varepsilon_\alpha, \text{ for } \lambda \text{ some limit ordinal.}$$

$$\varphi_2(0) = \sup_{n < \omega} \underbrace{\varepsilon^{\dots \varepsilon_0}}_n$$

The Wadge Hierarchy

Another characterisation of $\varphi_2(0)$:

- $\varphi_2(0)$ is the first non-null ordinal closed under

① $x, y \mapsto x + y.$

② $x \mapsto \omega^x$
 or equiv.
 $x \mapsto (\omega^\omega)^x$

③ $x \mapsto \varepsilon_x$

$$\varphi_2(0) = \sup_{n < \omega} \underbrace{\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_n}_{\varepsilon_0}$$

Conciliatory Tree Automata

Conciliatory Tree Automata

- conciliatory tree: **finite** or infinite (binary) tree
- For conciliatory languages L, M we define the conciliatory version of the Wadge game: $\mathbb{C}(L, M)$
 - ① rules are similar, except that both players are allowed to skip and to produce trees with finite branches - or even finite trees.
 - ② $L \leq_c M$ if and only if I has a winning strategy in the game $\mathbb{C}(L, M)$.
 - ③ $L \equiv_c M$ if and only if $L \leq_c M$ and $M \leq_c L$
 - ④ The conciliatory hierarchy is thus the partial order induced by \leq_c on the equivalence classes given by \equiv_c .

Conciliatory Tree Automata

- Any conciliatory language L over alphabet A yields L^b of full trees over alphabet $A \cup \{b\}$:

$$L^b = \{t \in T_{A \cup \{b\}} : t_{[/b]} \in L\}$$

where

- b is an extra symbol that stands for “blank”, and
- $t_{[/b]}$, the *undressing* of t , is informally the conciliatory tree over A obtained once all the occurrences of b have been removed in a top-down manner

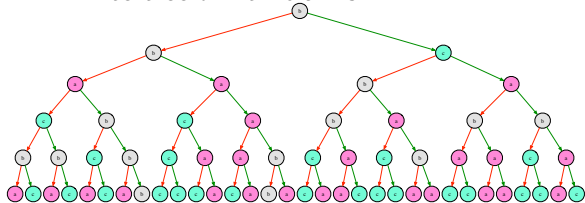
Lemma

Given L, M any conciliatory languages,

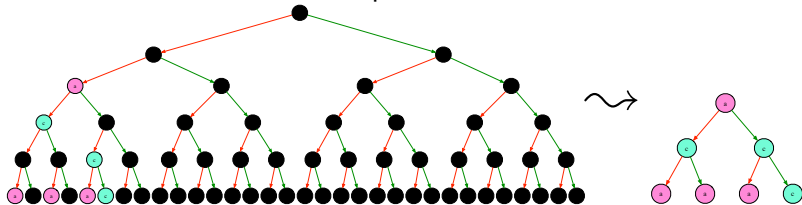
$$L \leq_c M \iff L^b \leq_W M^b$$

Conciliatory Tree Automata

- An infinite tree t with blanks



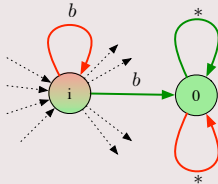
- The blanks are deleted in a top-down manner



Conciliatory Tree Automata

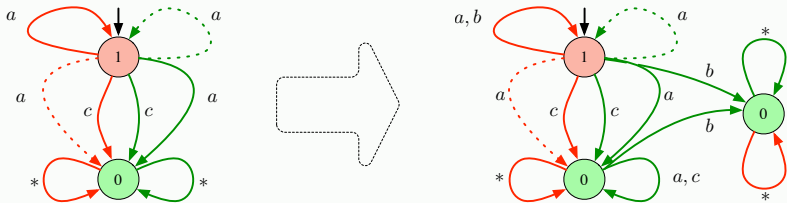
Definition (tree^b automaton)

A tree^b automaton \mathcal{A}^b on the alphabet $A \cup \{b\}$ is any tree automaton s.t. for each state the only possible b -transition is of the form:



Conciliatory Tree Automata

Example



Conciliatory Tree Automata

Definition (conciliatory tree automaton)

A conciliatory tree automaton \mathcal{A} on the alphabet A is a regular tree automaton, except that it also accepts or rejects conciliatory trees per

$$\mathcal{A} \text{ accepts } t \iff \mathcal{A}^b \text{ accepts } t^b.$$

where t^b is the full tree on $A \cup \{b\}$ obtained by completing the missing branches with b 's.

Proposition

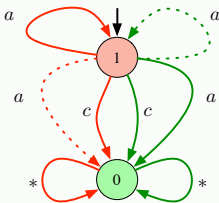
Given any conciliatory tree automaton \mathcal{A} , and any conciliatory language L over A ,

$$\mathcal{A} \text{ recognizes } L \iff \mathcal{A}^b \text{ recognizes } L^b.$$

Conciliatory Tree Automata

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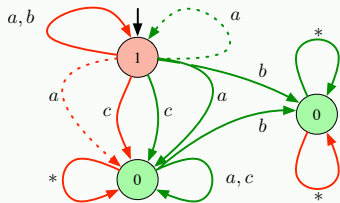
conciliatory language



\mathcal{A} conciliatory

$\{t \mid t \text{ contains } \bullet\}$

full tree language



\mathcal{A}^b (full description)

$\{t \mid t_{[/b]} \text{ contains } \bullet\}$

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Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

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① sum:

$$\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}$$

② multiplication:

$$\mathcal{A}, \alpha \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \bullet \alpha$$

③ pseudo-exponentiation:

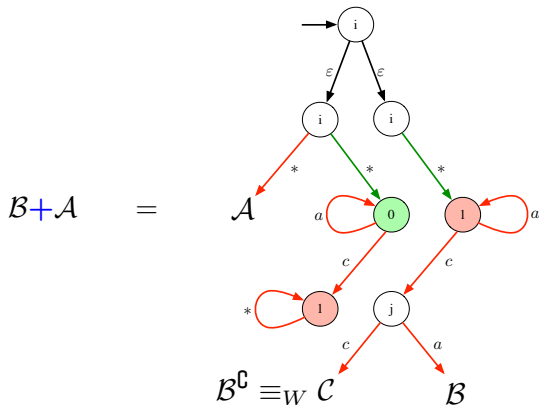
$$\mathcal{A} \longrightarrow (\omega^\omega)^\mathcal{A}$$

④ The pseudo-epsilon:

$$\mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \varepsilon_\mathcal{A}$$

Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

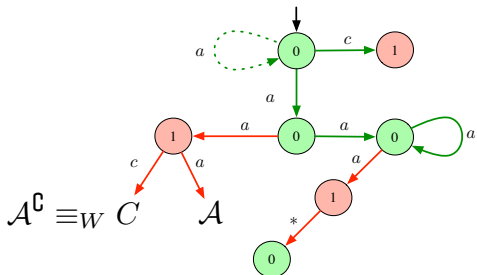
- The sum (+)



Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

- The multiplication (\bullet) by ω

$$\mathcal{A} \bullet \omega =$$



Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

- Multiplication by any integers $0 < n < \omega$

$$\mathcal{A} \bullet n = \underbrace{\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{A} + \dots + \mathcal{A}}_n$$

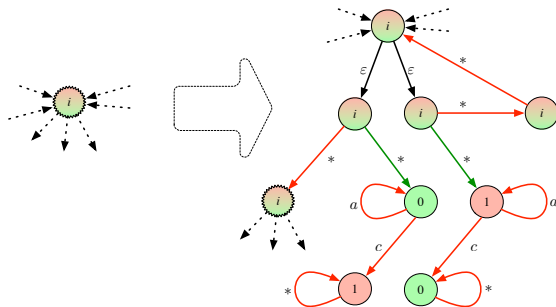
- Yields the multiplication (\bullet) by any ordinals $0 < \alpha < \omega^\omega$

Example

$$\mathcal{A} \bullet (\omega^2 + \omega \cdot 3 + 1) = (\mathcal{A} \bullet \omega) \bullet \omega + (\mathcal{A} \bullet \omega) \bullet 3 + \mathcal{A}$$

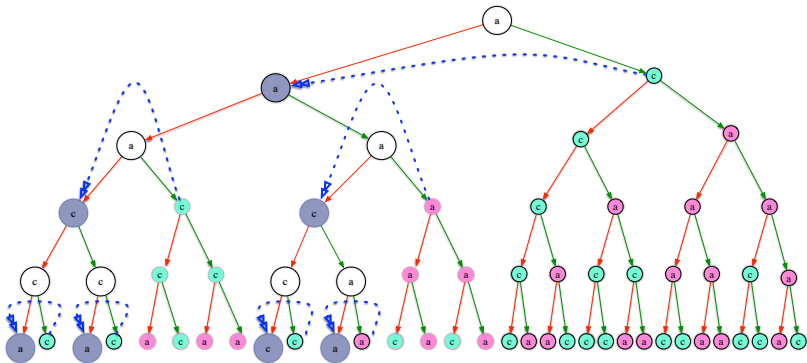
Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

- The pseudo-exponentiation $(\omega^\omega)\mathcal{A}$



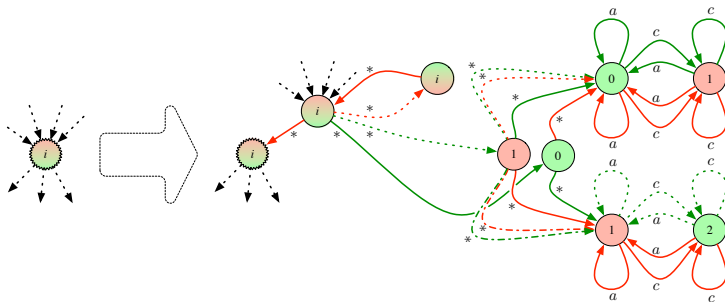
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- The pseudo-exponentiation $((\omega^\omega)^A)$



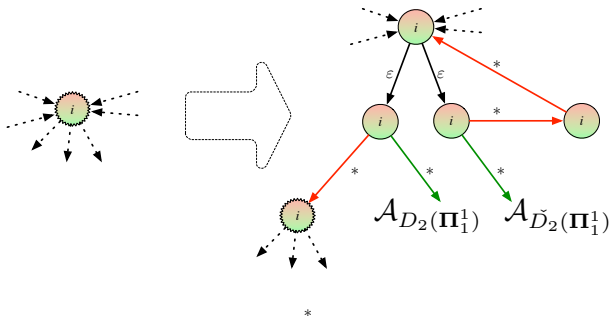
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- The pseudo-epsilon ($\epsilon_{\mathcal{A}}$)



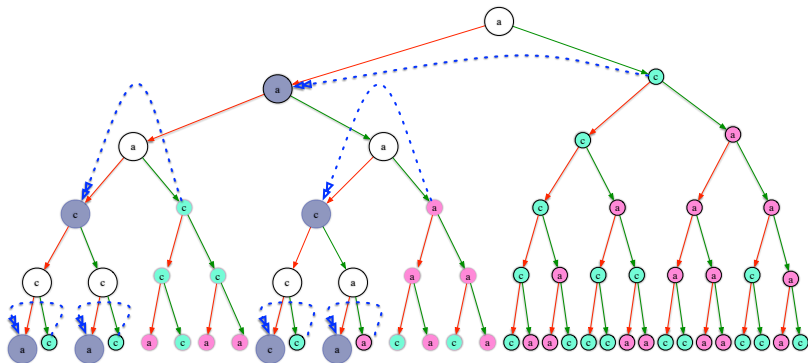
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Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

- In the following we endow $<_c$ with the stronger meaning:

$$L <_c M \Leftrightarrow L \leq_c M \text{ and } I \text{ has a w.s. in } \mathbb{C}(M, L) \text{ (hence } M \not\leq_c L)$$

Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

$$+ \text{ preserves } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \text{ } \mathbb{C} \\ \textcircled{2} \leq_c \\ \textcircled{3} <_c \end{array} \right.$$

Proposition

- $\textcircled{1}$ $(A+B)^{\mathbb{C}} \equiv_c A^{\mathbb{C}} + B^{\mathbb{C}}$
- \bullet $A \leq_c A'$ and $B \leq_c B' \Rightarrow$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad A+B \leq_c A'+B'$$
- \bullet $A \leq_c A'$ and $B <_c B' \Rightarrow$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad A+B <_c A'+B'$$

Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

- preserves $<_c$

Proposition

- $0 < \alpha < \beta < \omega^\omega \Rightarrow$

①

$$\mathcal{A} \bullet \alpha <_c \mathcal{A} \bullet \beta$$

- $\mathcal{A} <_c \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow$

②

$$\mathcal{A} \bullet \alpha <_c \mathcal{B} \bullet \alpha$$

Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

$$\mathcal{A} \longrightarrow (\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{A}} \quad \text{preserves} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \ \mathbb{G} \\ \textcircled{2} \ \leq_c \\ \textcircled{3} \ <_c \end{array} \right.$$

Proposition

①

$$((\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{A}})^{\mathbb{G}} \equiv_c (\omega^\omega)^{(\mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{G}})}$$

• $\mathcal{A} \leq_c \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow$

②

$$(\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{A}} \leq_c (\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{B}}$$

• $\mathcal{A} <_c \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow$

③

$$(\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{A}} <_c (\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{B}}$$

Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

$$A \longrightarrow \epsilon_{\mathcal{A}} \quad \text{preserves} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad \mathbb{G} \\ \textcircled{2} \quad \leq_c \\ \textcircled{3} \quad <_c \end{array} \right.$$

Proposition

- $\textcircled{1}$ $(\epsilon_{\mathcal{A}})^{\mathbb{G}} \equiv_c \epsilon_{(\mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{G}})}$
- $\bullet \mathcal{A} \leq_c \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow$

$\textcircled{2} \quad \epsilon_{\mathcal{A}} \leq_c \epsilon_{\mathcal{B}}$
- $\bullet \mathcal{A} <_c \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow$

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Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

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Operations on Conciliatory Tree Automata

pseudo-epsilon ($\epsilon_{\mathcal{A}}$) is a fixed point of pseudo-exponentiation ($(\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{A}}$)

Theorem

$$(\omega^\omega)^{\epsilon_{\mathcal{A}}} \equiv_c \epsilon_{\mathcal{A}}$$

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The Wadge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

Every ordinal $\alpha > 0$ admits a unique Cantor Normal Form of base ω^ω :

$$\alpha = (\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_k} \cdot \beta_k + \cdots + (\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_0} \cdot \beta_0$$

where

① $k < \omega$

② $\alpha_k > \cdots > \alpha_0$

③ $0 < \beta_i < \omega^\omega$.

The Wadge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

For every $0 < \alpha < \varphi_2(0)$, inductively define $(\mathcal{A}_\alpha, \bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha)$:

If the Cantor Normal Form of base ω^ω of α is

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set

$$\mathcal{A}_\alpha = \mathcal{A}_{(\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_k} \bullet \beta_k} + \cdots + \mathcal{A}_{(\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_0} \bullet \beta_0}$$

and

$$\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha = \mathcal{A}_{(\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_k} \bullet \beta_k} + \cdots + \bar{\mathcal{A}}_{(\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_0} \bullet \beta_0}$$

where $\mathcal{A}_{(\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_i}}$ and $\bar{\mathcal{A}}_{(\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_i}}$ are respectively:

- 1 \ominus and \oplus if $\alpha_i = 0$
- 2 $(\omega^\omega)^{\mathcal{A}_{\alpha_i}}$ and $(\omega^\omega)^{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_{\alpha_i}}$ if $\alpha_i < (\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_i}$
- 3 $\varepsilon_{\mathcal{A}_{2+\beta}}$ and $\varepsilon_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_{2+\beta}}$ if $\alpha_i = (\omega^\omega)^{\alpha_i}$ and $\alpha_i = \varepsilon_\beta$ for some $\beta < \alpha_i$.

The Wadge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

Lemma

Let $0 < \alpha < \beta < \varphi_2(0)$,

- ① \mathcal{A}_α and $\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha$ are **effective** and $[0, 2]$;
- ② I has a w.s. in both $\mathbb{C}(\mathcal{A}_\alpha, \bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha)$ and $\mathbb{C}(\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha, \mathcal{A}_\alpha)$

\Rightarrow

$\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha$ and \mathcal{A}_α are \leq_c -incomparable;

- ③
 - $\mathcal{A}_\alpha <_c \mathcal{A}_\beta$
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- ④ *all the underlying winning strategies are **effective**.*

The Wadge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

Theorem

There exist two families $(\mathcal{A}_\alpha^b)_{\alpha < \varphi_2(0)}$ and $(\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha^b)_{\alpha < \varphi_2(0)}$ of parity tree automata s.t.

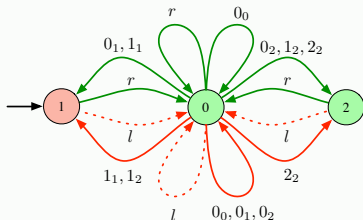
- ① they recognize languages of full trees over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$;
- ② their priorities are restricted to $[0, 2]$;
- ③ $\alpha < \beta \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_\alpha^b, \bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha^b <_W \mathcal{A}_\beta^b, \bar{\mathcal{A}}_\beta^b$;
- ④ \mathcal{A}_α^b and $\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha^b$ are \leq_W -incomparable;
- ⑤ all the underlying winning strategies are **effective**.

The Wedge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

- A maximal $[0, 2]$ -automaton: $W_{[0,2]}$ is any automaton that can simulate every parity game with priorities among $[0, 2]$.

Example

The alphabet is $\{l, r, 0_0; 0_1; 0_2; 1_1; 1_2; 2_2\}$



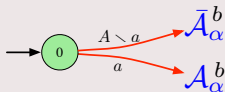
Proposition

$W_{[0,2]}$ is a fixed point of the pseudo-epsilon: $\epsilon_{W_{[0,2]}} \equiv_c W_{[0,2]}$

The Wedge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

Definition

The automaton \mathcal{B}_α



The Wadge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

Conjecture

Let \mathcal{A} be some nondeterministic $[0, 2]$ -tree automaton, exactly one of the following holds:

- 1 $\mathcal{A} \equiv_W W_{[0,2]}$
- 2 $\mathcal{A} \equiv_W \mathcal{A}_\alpha^b$ (for some $0 < \alpha < \Omega$)
- 3 $\mathcal{A} \equiv_W \bar{\mathcal{A}}_\alpha^b$ (for some $0 < \alpha < \Omega$)
- 4 $\mathcal{A} \equiv_W \mathcal{B}_\alpha$ (for some $0 < \alpha < \Omega$)

The Wadge Hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages

Theorem

The Wadge hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -tree languages has height at least

$$\varphi_2(0) + 1 = \sup_{n < \omega} \underbrace{\varepsilon_{\cdot \cdot \cdot \varepsilon_0}}_n + 1$$

The Wadge hierarchy of $[0, 2]$ -word languages has height $\boxed{\omega^\omega}$

The Wadge hierarchy of **det.** $[0, 2]$ -word languages has height $\boxed{\omega^2 + 1}$

Theorem (Filip Murlak)

The Wadge hierarchy of **deterministic** tree languages has height

$$\boxed{(\omega^\omega)^3 + 3}$$

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