

Innerer palindromischer Abschluss

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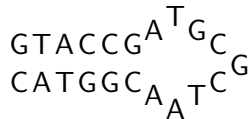
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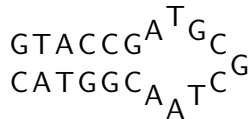
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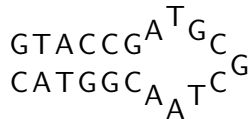


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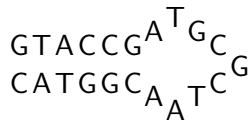
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For a language L , let $\spadesuit(L) = \bigcup_{w \in L} \spadesuit(w)$. We set $\spadesuit^0(L) = L$, $\spadesuit^n(L) = \spadesuit(\spadesuit^{n-1}(L))$ for $n \geq 1$, $\spadesuit^*(L) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \spadesuit^n(L)$.

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[Propagation rule] For a word $w = a^n b^m$ with positive integers n and m , the set $\spadesuit(w)$ contains all words of length $n + m + 1$ with a letter $x \in \{a, b\}$ inserted at any position i of w , where $0 \leq i < n + m$.

COROLLARY

For any binary words w and u , $w \preceq u$ if and only if $u \in \spadesuit^(w)$.*

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Take prefixes of an infinite square-free word, and show that they are from different equivalent classes.



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For a word u and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, we define the sets

$$L_{m,n}(w) = \{u \mid u = u^R, u = xw \text{ for } x \neq \varepsilon, |x| \geq n, m \geq |w| - |x| \geq 0\},$$
$$R_{m,n}(w) = \{u \mid u = u^R, u = wx \text{ for } x \neq \varepsilon, |x| \geq n, m \geq |w| - |x| \geq 0\}.$$

The left (right) (m, n) -palindromic closure of w is the shortest word of $L_{m,n}(w)$ (resp., $R_{m,n}(w)$), or undefined if $L_{m,n}(w)$ (resp., $R_{m,n}(w)$) is empty.

DEFINITION

For non-negative integers n, m with $n > 0$, we define the $\spadesuit_{(m,n)}$ one step inner palindromic closure of some word w as

$$\spadesuit_{(m,n)}(w) = \{u \mid u = xy'z, w = xyz, \text{ and } y' \text{ is obtained by} \\ \text{left or right } (m, n)\text{-palindromic closure from } y\}.$$

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Note that $L_{m,n}(w)$ and $R_{m,n}(w)$ are empty if and only if $|w| < n$.

PROPOSITION

For any word w with $|w| \geq n$ and positive integer m , the language $\spadesuit_{(m,n)}^(w)$ is dense with respect to the alphabet $\text{alph}(w)$.*

LEMMA

Let Σ be an alphabet with $|\Sigma| \geq 2$, $a \notin \Sigma$, and m and n positive integers. Let $w = a^m y_1 a \cdots y_{p-1} a y_p$ be a word such that $\text{alph}(w) = \Sigma \cup \{a\}$, $m, p > 0$, $y_i \in \Sigma^$ for $1 \leq i \leq p$, $|y_1| > 0$, and such that there exists $1 \leq j \leq p$ with $|y_j| \geq n$. Then, for each $v \in \Sigma^*$ with $|v| \geq n$, there exists $w' \in \spadesuit_{(m,n)}^*(w)$ such that v is a prefix of w' and $|w'|_a = |w|_a$.*

THEOREM

Let $m > 0$ and $k \geq 2$ be two integers and define $n = \max\{\frac{q_k}{2}, p_k\}$. Let Σ be a k -letter alphabet with $a \notin \Sigma$ and $w = a^m y_1 a y_2 \cdots a y_{r-1} a y_r$ be a word such that $\text{alph}(w) = \Sigma \cup \{a\}$, $r > 0$, $y_i \in \Sigma^*$ for all $1 \leq i \leq r$, and there exists j with $1 \leq j \leq r$ and $|y_j| \geq n$. Then $\spadesuit_{(m,n)}^*(w)$ is not regular.

The following theorem follows immediately from the previous results.

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Let $w = a^p y_1 a \cdots y_{r-1} a y_r$, where $a \notin \text{alph}(y_i)$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$.

- (1) If $\|\text{alph}(w)\| \geq 3$ and $|y_j| \geq 3$ for some $1 \leq j \leq r$, then for every positive integer $m \leq p$ we have that $\spadesuit_{(m,3)}^*(w)$ is not regular.
- (2) If $\|\text{alph}(w)\| \geq 4$ and $|y_j| \geq 2$ for some $1 \leq j \leq r$, then for every positive integer $m \leq p$ we have that $\spadesuit_{(m,2)}^*(w)$ is not regular.
- (3) If $\|\text{alph}(w)\| \geq 5$, then for every positive integer $m \leq p$ we have that $\spadesuit_{(m,1)}^*(w)$ is not regular.
- (4) For every positive integers m and n there exists u with $\spadesuit_{(m,n)}^*(u)$ not regular.

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$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(a) &= abaabbab, & \gamma(b) &= aaabbbab, & \gamma(c) &= aabbabab, \\ \gamma(d) &= aabbbaba, & \gamma(e) &= baaabbab,\end{aligned}$$

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The morphism ψ , that is defined by

$$\psi(a) = abbccaabccab, \quad \psi(b) = bccaabbcaabc, \quad \psi(c) = caabbccabbca,$$

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There exist infinitely long words on a four letter alphabet that avoid $\frac{7}{5}$ -powers (thus palindromes longer than 1 and squares).

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A series of basic cases:

- ▶ words that have no maximal unary power greater than m ,
- ▶ words of the form xy^qx
- ▶ words of the form xy^q or y^qx (x, y are letters)

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