



# Automata and Logic

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## Definition

formulas of **Presburger arithmetic**

$$\varphi ::= \perp \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \mid \exists x.\varphi \mid t_1 = t_2 \mid t_1 < t_2$$

$$t ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid t_1 + t_2 \mid x$$

## Abbreviations

$$\varphi \wedge \psi := \neg(\neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi)$$

$$\varphi \rightarrow \psi := \neg\varphi \vee \psi$$

$$\top := \neg\perp$$

$$\forall x.\varphi := \neg\exists x.\neg\varphi$$

$$t_1 \leq t_2 := t_1 < t_2 \vee t_1 = t_2$$

$$n := \underbrace{1 + \dots + 1}_n$$

$$nx := \underbrace{x + \dots + x}_n \quad \text{for } n > 1$$

## Definitions

- ▶ assignment  $\alpha$  is mapping from first-order variables to  $\mathbb{N}$
- ▶ extension to terms:  $\alpha(0) = 0$     $\alpha(1) = 1$     $\alpha(t_1 + t_2) = \alpha(t_1) + \alpha(t_2)$

## Definition

assignment  $\alpha$  satisfies formula  $\varphi$  ( $\alpha \models \varphi$ ):

$$\alpha \not\models \perp$$

$$\alpha \models \neg\varphi \iff \alpha \not\models \varphi$$

$$\alpha \models \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \iff \alpha \models \varphi_1 \text{ or } \alpha \models \varphi_2$$

$$\alpha \models \exists x. \varphi \iff \alpha[x \mapsto n] \models \varphi \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\alpha \models t_1 = t_2 \iff \alpha(t_1) = \alpha(t_2)$$

$$\alpha \models t_1 < t_2 \iff \alpha(t_1) < \alpha(t_2)$$

## Remark

every  $t_1 = t_2$  can be written as  $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$  with  $a_1, \dots, a_n, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

## Theorem (Presburger 1929)

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## Decision Procedures

- ▶ quantifier elimination
- ▶ automata techniques
- ▶ translation to WMSO

## Definition (Representation)

- ▶ sequence of  $n$  natural numbers is represented as string over

$$\Sigma_n = \{(b_1 \cdots b_n)^T \mid b_1, \dots, b_n \in \{0, 1\}\}$$

- ▶  $x = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n^1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1^2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdots \begin{pmatrix} b_1^m \\ \vdots \\ b_n^m \end{pmatrix} \in \Sigma_n^*$  represents  $x_1 = (b_1^m \cdots b_1^2 b_1^1)_2, \dots, x_n = (b_n^m \cdots b_n^2 b_n^1)_2$
- ▶  $\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$

## Definition

for Presburger arithmetic formula  $\varphi$  with  $FV(\varphi) = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$$L(\varphi) = \{x \in \Sigma_n^* \mid \underline{x} \models \varphi\}$$

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## Proof Sketch

- ▶ construct finite automaton  $A_\varphi$  for every Presburger arithmetic formula  $\varphi$
- ▶ induction on  $\varphi$
- ▶  $L(A_\varphi) = L(\varphi)$

## Definition (Automaton for Atomic Formula)

finite automaton  $A_\varphi = (Q, \Sigma_n, \delta, s, F)$  for  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n): a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$

▶  $Q \subseteq \{i \mid |i| \leq |b| + |a_1| + \dots + |a_n|\} \cup \{\perp\}$

▶  $\delta(i, (b_1 \dots b_n)^T) = \begin{cases} \frac{i - (a_1b_1 + \dots + a_nb_n)}{2} & \text{if } i - (a_1b_1 + \dots + a_nb_n) \text{ is even} \\ \perp & \text{if } i - (a_1b_1 + \dots + a_nb_n) \text{ is odd or } i = \perp \end{cases}$

▶  $s = b$

▶  $F = \{0\}$

## Lemma

if  $\delta(i, (b_1 \dots b_n)^T) = j$  then  $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = j \iff a_1(2x_1 + b_1) + \dots + a_n(2x_n + b_n) = i$

## Theorem

▶  $A_\varphi$  is well-defined

▶  $L(A_\varphi) = L(\varphi)$

## Boolean Operations

boolean operation	automata construction	
$\neg$	complement	C
$\wedge$	intersection	I
$\vee$	union	U

## Definition (Cylindrification)

$C_i(R) \subseteq \Sigma_{n+1}^*$  is defined for  $R \subseteq \Sigma_n^*$  and index  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$  as

$$C_i(R) = \{x_1 \cdots x_m \in \Sigma_{n+1}^* \mid \text{drop}_i(x_1) \cdots \text{drop}_i(x_m) \in R\}$$

with  $\text{drop}_i((b_1 \cdots b_{n+1})^T) = (b_1 \cdots b_{i-1} b_{i+1} \cdots b_{n+1})^T$

## Lemma

if  $R \subseteq \Sigma_n^*$  is regular then  $C_i(R) \subseteq \Sigma_{n+1}^*$  is regular for every  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$



## Definition (Projection)

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## Translation from Presburger Arithmetic to WMSO

- ▶ map variables in Presburger arithmetic formula to second-order variables in WMSO
- ▶  $n$  is represented as set of "1" positions in reverse binary notation of  $n$
- ▶ 0 and 1 in Presburger arithmetic formulas are translated into ZERO and ONE with

$$\forall x. \neg \text{ZERO}(x)$$

$$\forall x. \text{ONE}(x) \leftrightarrow x = 0$$

- ▶  $+$  in Presburger arithmetic formula is translated into ternary predicate  $P_+$  with

$$P_+(X, Y, Z) := \exists C. \neg C(0) \wedge (\forall x. C(x+1) \leftrightarrow X(x) \wedge Y(x) \vee X(x) \wedge C(x) \vee Y(x) \wedge C(x)) \wedge \\ (\forall x. Z(x) \leftrightarrow X(x) \wedge Y(x) \wedge C(x) \vee X(x) \wedge \neg Y(x) \wedge \neg C(x) \vee \\ \neg X(x) \wedge Y(x) \wedge \neg C(x) \vee \neg X(x) \wedge \neg Y(x) \wedge C(x))$$

## Automata

- ▶ (deterministic, non-deterministic, alternating) finite automata
- ▶ regular expressions
- ▶ (alternating) **Büchi automata**

## Logic

- ▶ (weak) monadic second-order logic
- ▶ Presburger arithmetic
- ▶ linear-time temporal logic

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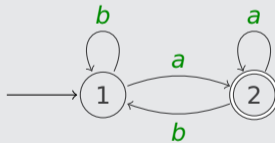
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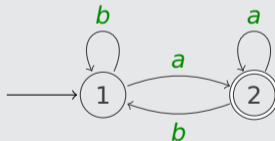
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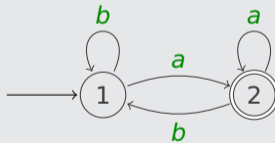
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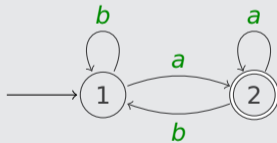
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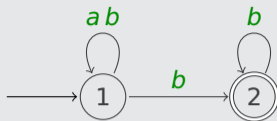
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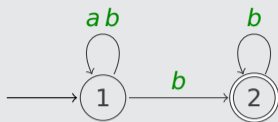
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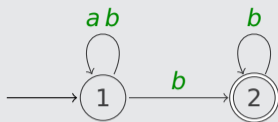
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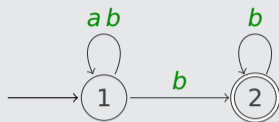
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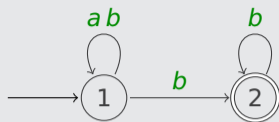
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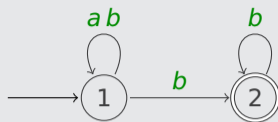
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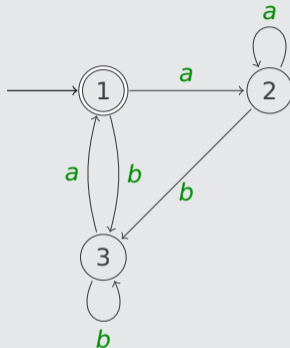
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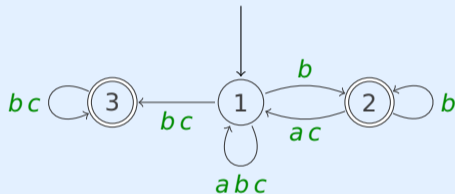
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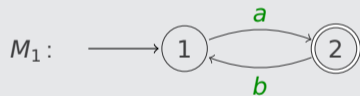
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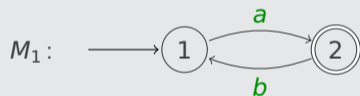
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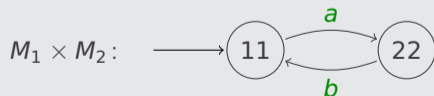


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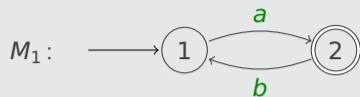
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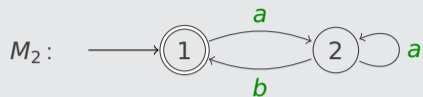
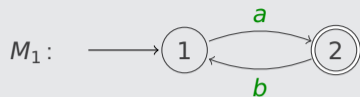
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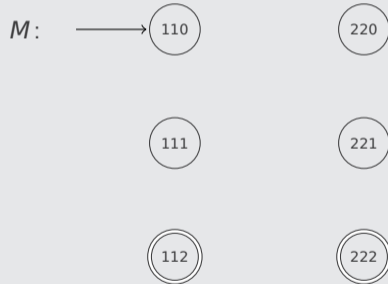
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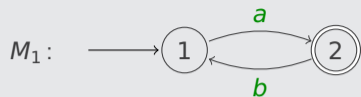
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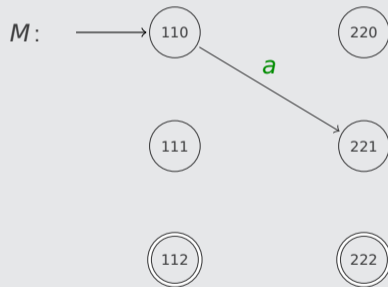


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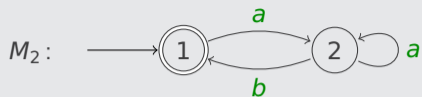
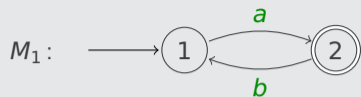


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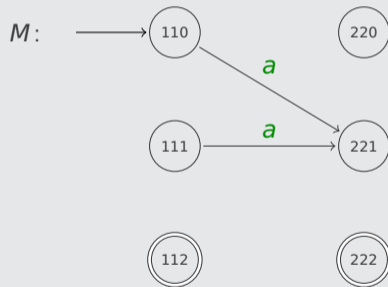
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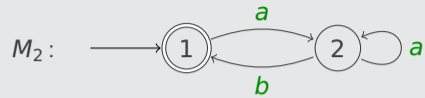
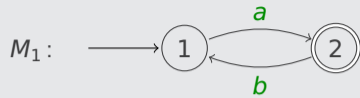
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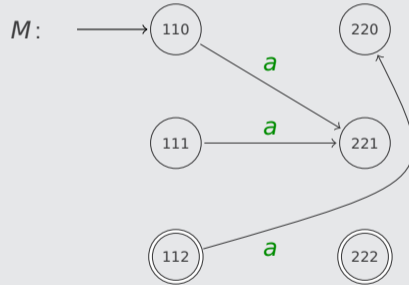
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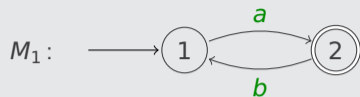
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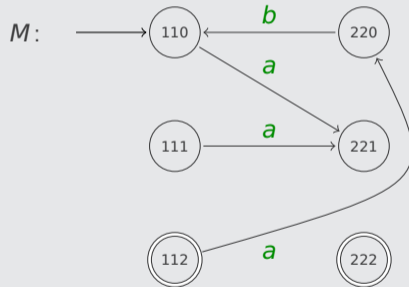


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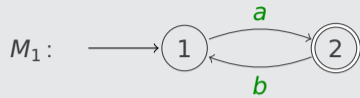


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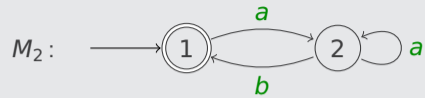
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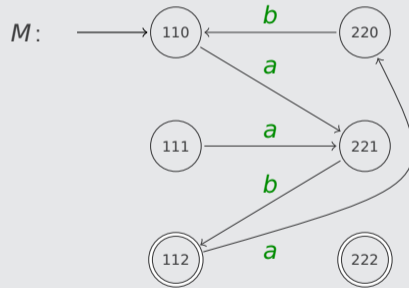


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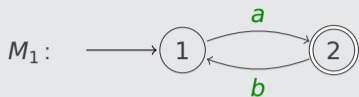


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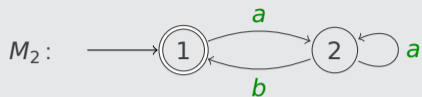
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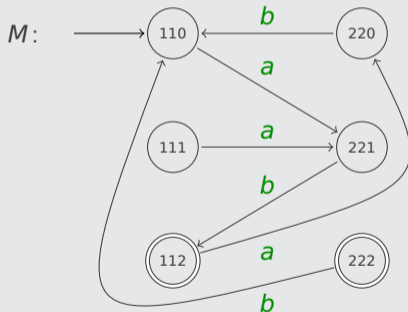


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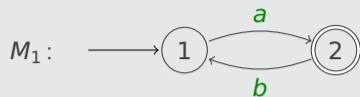


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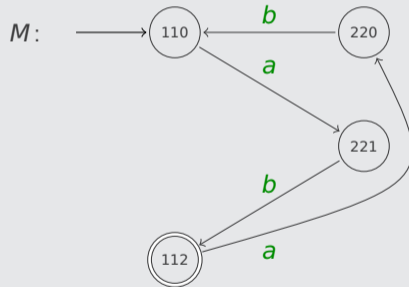


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