

# Does O-Substitution Preserve Recognizability?

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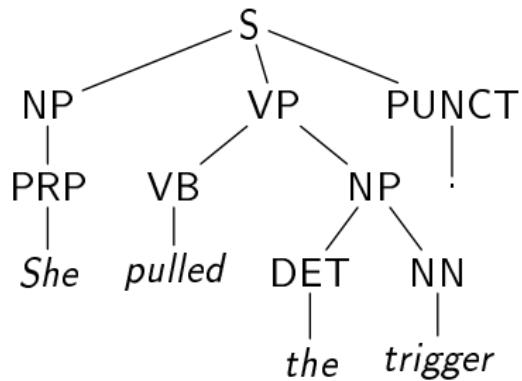
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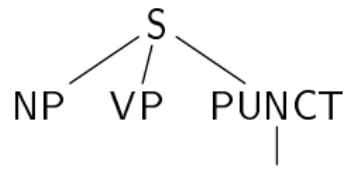
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# Phrase Structure

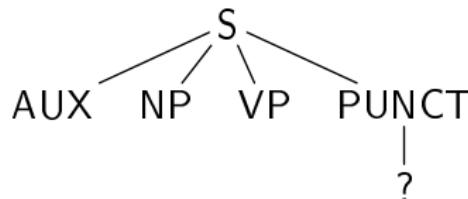


# Grammar Rules

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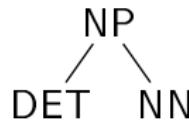
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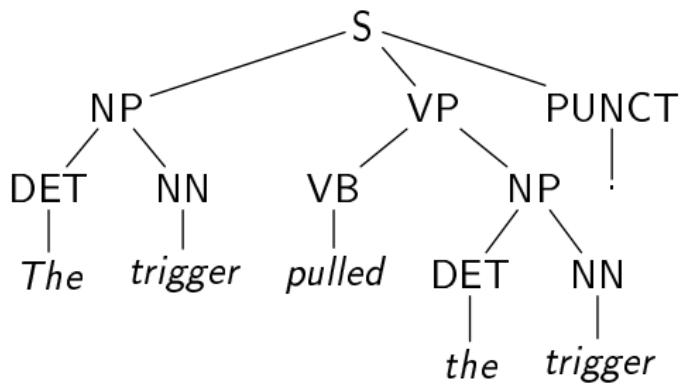
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# Plugging Blocks



Probability:  $0.87 \cdot 0.34^2 \cdot \dots$

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# Semiring

## Definition

$(A, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$  **semiring**, if

- $(A, +, 0)$  commutative monoid
- $(A, \cdot, 1)$  monoid
- $\cdot$  distributes (both sided) over  $+$
- $0$  is absorbing for  $\cdot$  ( $a \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 \cdot a$ )

## Example

- Natural numbers  $(\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$
- Probabilities  $([0, 1], \max, \cdot, 0, 1)$
- Subsets  $(\mathcal{P}(A), \cup, \cap, \emptyset, A)$
- any ring and field

# Tree Series

## Definition

$(A, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$  semiring,  $\Sigma$  ranked alphabet,  $X$  set

- Tree series is mapping  $\psi: T_\Sigma(X) \rightarrow A$
- $A\langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$  Set of tree series
- $\text{supp}(\psi) = \{t \in T_\Sigma(X) \mid (\psi, t) \neq 0\}$

## Conventions

- $\tilde{0}$  is tree series that maps every tree to 0
- $\psi(t)$  written as  $(\psi, t)$
- $\psi$  written as  $\sum_{t \in \text{supp}(\psi)} (\psi, t) t$  [Example:  $\psi = 5 \alpha + 10 \sigma(\alpha, \alpha)$ ]
- $(\psi + \varphi, t) = (\psi, t) + (\varphi, t)$
- $(a \cdot \psi, t) = a \cdot (\psi, t)$

# O-Substitution

Definition (Fülöp, Vogler 03)

$$\psi, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_k \in A\langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$$

$$\psi \xrightarrow{o} (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k) = \sum_{\substack{t, t_1, \dots, t_k \in T_\Sigma(X), \\ (\psi_i, t_i) \neq 0}} (\psi, t) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k (\psi_i, t_i)^{|t|_{x_i}} t[t_1, \dots, t_k]$$

## Example

Natural numbers ( $\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1$ ) and

$$\psi = 2 \sigma(x_1, x_1) + 3 \sigma(\alpha, x_1) + 4 \sigma(x_1, \alpha) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi' = 3 \alpha$$

Then

$$\psi \xrightarrow{o} (\psi') = (2 \cdot 3^2) \sigma(\alpha, \alpha) + (3 \cdot 3) \sigma(\alpha, \alpha) + (4 \cdot 3) \sigma(\alpha, \alpha)$$

## Illustration

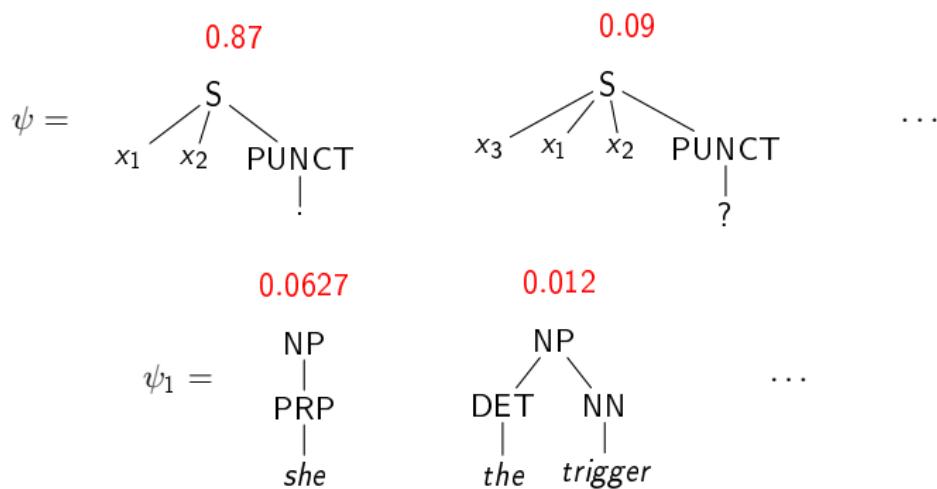
Semiring  $([0, 1], \max, \cdot, 0, 1)$

$$\psi = \max\{0.87 S(x_1, x_2, \text{PUNCT(.)}), 0.09 S(x_3, x_1, x_2, \text{PUNCT(.)}), \dots\}$$

$$\psi_1 = \max\{0.0627 \text{NP}(\text{PRP}(she)), 0.012 \text{NP}(\text{DET}(the), \text{NN}(trigger)), \dots\}$$

$$\psi_2 = \dots$$

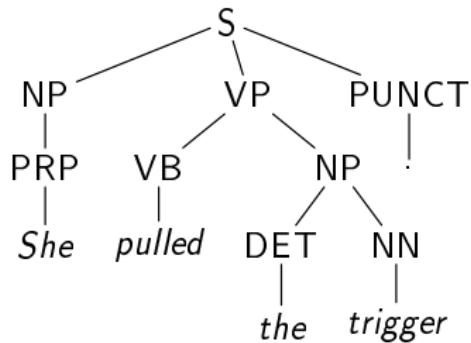
$$\psi_3 = \dots$$



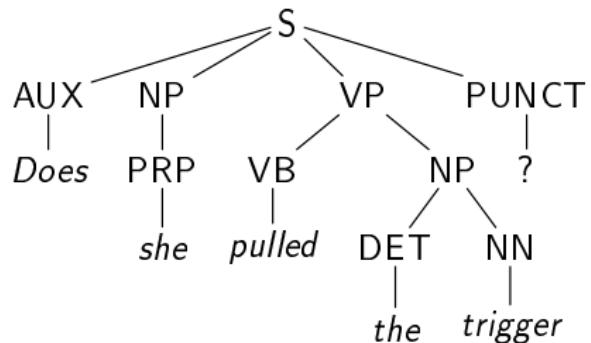
## Illustration (cont'd)

$$\psi \xleftarrow{o} (\psi_1, \psi_2, \psi_3) =$$

$$0.87 \cdot 0.0627 \cdot 0.42^0 \cdot \dots$$



$$0.09 \cdot 0.0627 \cdot 0.42 \cdot \dots$$



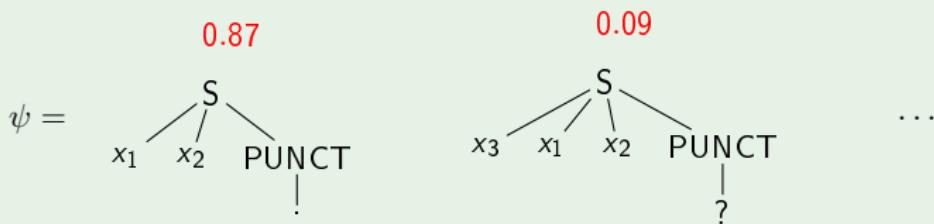
# Nondeletion and Linearity

## Definition

$\psi \in A\langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$  and  $V \subseteq X$

- $\psi$  **nondeleting in  $V$** , if every  $v \in V$  occurs in every  $t \in \text{supp}(\psi)$
- $\psi$  **linear in  $V$** , if every  $v \in V$  occurs at most once in every  $t \in \text{supp}(\psi)$

## Example



Linear in  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$  but not nondeleting in  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ .

# Weighted Tree Automaton

## Definition

$(Q, \Sigma, \mathcal{A}, I, \mu)$  weighted tree automaton (wta), if

- $Q$  finite set (of *states*)
- $\Sigma$  ranked alphabet (of *input symbols*)
- $\mathcal{A} = (A, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$  semiring
- $I \subseteq Q$  (set of *initial states*)
- $\mu = (\mu_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  with

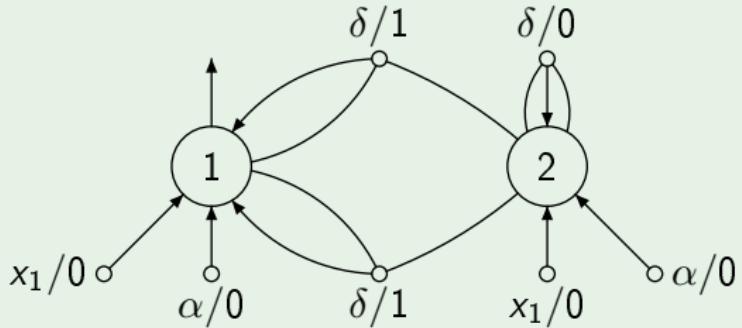
$$\mu_k : \Sigma^{(k)} \rightarrow A^{Q \times Q^k}$$

## Intuition

$$(q, \sigma, a, q_1, \dots, q_k) \in \delta_k \iff \mu_k(\sigma)_{q, q_1, \dots, q_k} = a$$

# Weighted Tree Automaton

## Example



$$(1, x_1, 0, \varepsilon), (2, x_1, 0, \varepsilon) \quad \mu_0(x_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1, \alpha, 0, \varepsilon), (2, \alpha, 0, \varepsilon) \quad \mu_0(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1, \delta, 1, 12), (1, \delta, 1, 21), (2, \delta, 0, 22) \quad \mu_2(\delta) = \begin{pmatrix} -\infty & 1 & 1 & -\infty \\ -\infty & -\infty & -\infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Semantics of WTA

## Definition

$M = (Q, \Sigma, \mathcal{A}, I, \mu)$  wta over  $\mathcal{A} = (A, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$

- $h_\mu: T_\Sigma \rightarrow A^Q$

$$h_\mu(\sigma(t_1, \dots, t_k))_q = \sum_{q_1, \dots, q_k \in Q} \mu_k(\sigma)_{q, q_1, \dots, q_k} \cdot h_\mu(t_1)_{q_1} \cdot \dots \cdot h_\mu(t_k)_{q_k}$$

- $\|M\| \in A\langle\langle T_\Sigma \rangle\rangle$

$$(\|M\|, t) = \sum_{q \in I} h_\mu(t)_q$$

## Definition

- $\psi \in A\langle\langle T_\Sigma \rangle\rangle$  **recognized by**  $M$ , if  $\|M\| = \psi$
- $A^{\text{rec}}\langle\langle T_\Sigma \rangle\rangle$  set of all recognizable tree series

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# The Main Problem

## Question

Given  $\psi, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_k \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\!\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\!\rangle$

Is  $\psi \xleftarrow{o} (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k) \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\!\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\!\rangle$  or not?

## Partial Solution

Given  $\psi, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_k \in \mathbb{B}^{\text{rec}} \langle\!\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\!\rangle$  with  $\psi$  linear in  $X_k$   
 $(\mathbb{B} = (\{0, 1\}, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  boolean semiring)

$\psi \xleftarrow{o} (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k) \in \mathbb{B}^{\text{rec}} \langle\!\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\!\rangle$

# The Main Problem (cont'd)

## Partial Solution [Kuich 99]

Given  $\psi, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_k \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$  with  $\psi$  nondeleting and linear in  $X_k$   
( $\mathcal{A}$  commutative and continuous)

$$\psi \xleftarrow{\circ} (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k) \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$$

## Contribution

Given  $\psi, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_k \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$  with  $\psi$  linear in  $X_k$   
and  $\mathcal{A}$  commutative, idempotent, and continuous

$$\psi \xleftarrow{\circ} (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k) \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\rangle$$

# Proof Sketch

## Lemma (Kuich 99)

$A^{\text{rec}} \langle\!\langle T_\Sigma(X) \rangle\!\rangle$  is closed under relabeling.

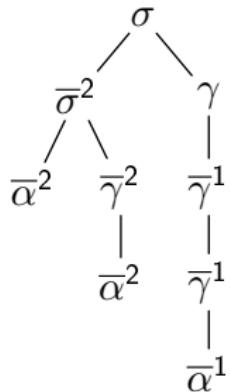
## Proof Sketch of Main Theorem

How to construct a wta recognizing  $\psi \xleftarrow{\circ} (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k)$ ?

- ① Make alphabets of  $\psi, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_k$  pairwise disjoint  
(the substitution is explicit because decomposition is given)
- ② Perform standard concatenation
- ③ Relabel the result

## Proof Sketch (cont'd)

Relabeling example:



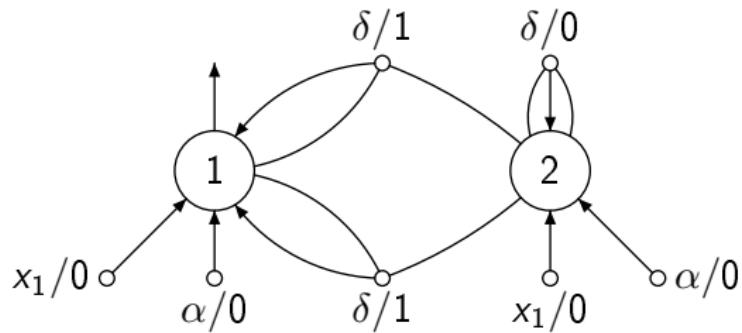
$$\psi: \sigma(x_2, \gamma(x_1))$$

$$\psi_1: \gamma(\gamma(\alpha))$$

$$\psi_2: \sigma(\alpha, \gamma(\alpha))$$

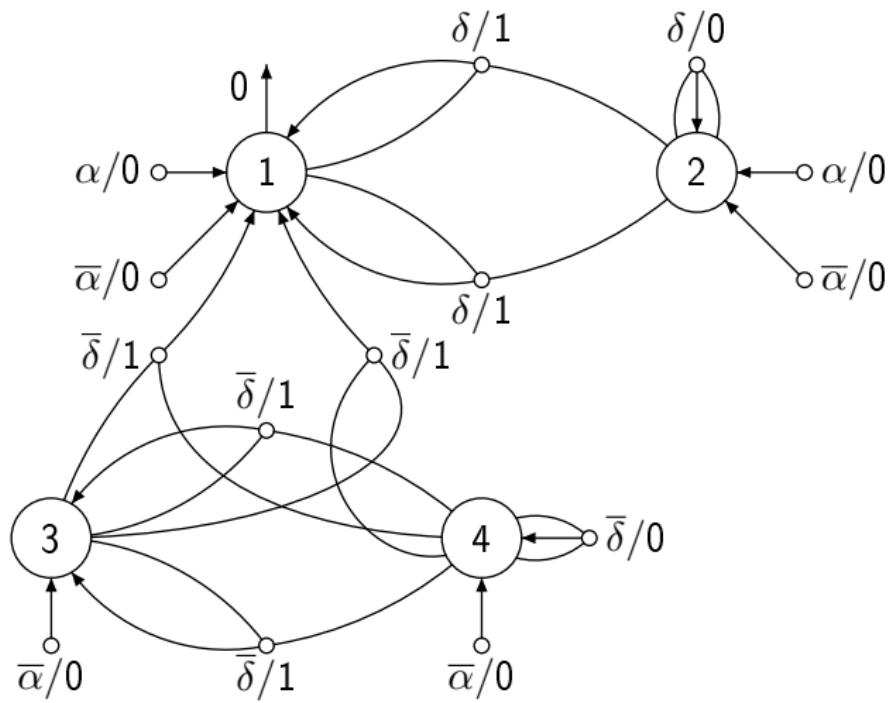
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Input wta:



## Proof Sketch (cont'd)

Concatenation of wta:



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# Tree Series Transducer [Engelfriet et al 02]

## Definition

$(Q, \Sigma, \Delta, \mathcal{A}, F, R)$  is **bottom-up tree series transducer**, if

- $Q$  finite set (of *states*)
- $\Sigma$  and  $\Delta$  ranked alphabets (of *input* and *output symbols*)
- $\mathcal{A} = (A, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$  semiring
- $F \subseteq Q$  (set of *final states*)
- $R$  finite set of rules of the form

$$\sigma(q_1(x_1), \dots, q_k(x_k)) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}} q(t)$$

where  $t \in T_\Delta(X_k)$

# Application to tree series transducers

## Theorem

$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Delta, \mathcal{A}, F, R)$  linear bottom-up tree series transducer  
 $\mathcal{A}$  commutative, continuous, and idempotent

For every  $t \in T_\Sigma$

$$\|M\|(t) \in A^{\text{rec}} \langle\langle T_\Delta \rangle\rangle$$

# Conclusion

## Summary

- O-Substitution preserves recognizability in idempotent semirings
- Output series of linear tree series transducers is pointwise recognizable

## Open Problems

- What about OI-Substitution?
- Is the image of a recognizable series under linear tree-series-transducer-transformations recognizable?

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