

Formal Models of Lindenmayer Systems

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Part I

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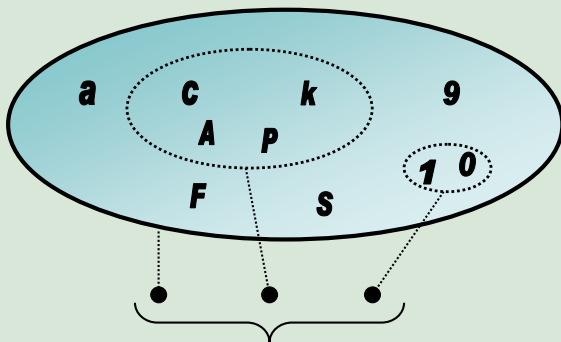
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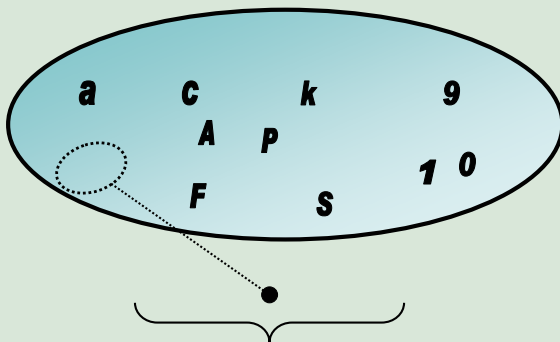


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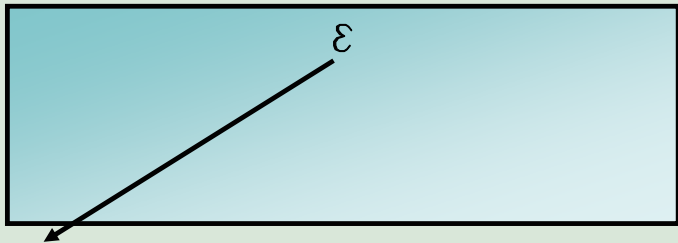
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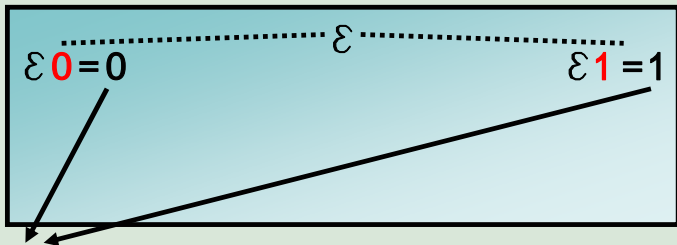
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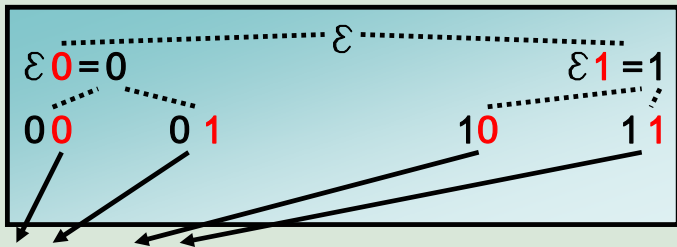
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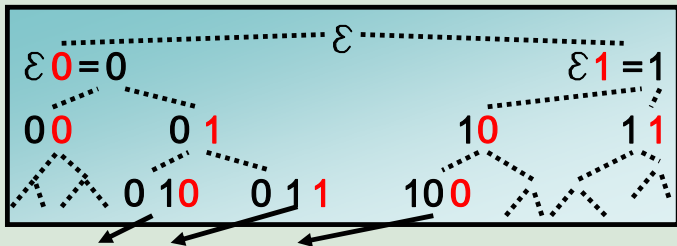
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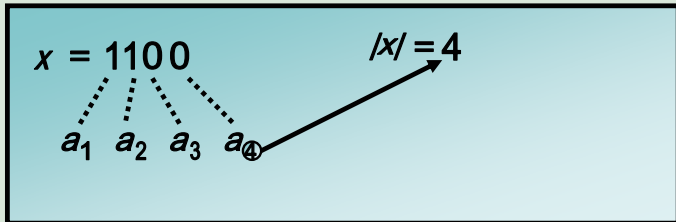
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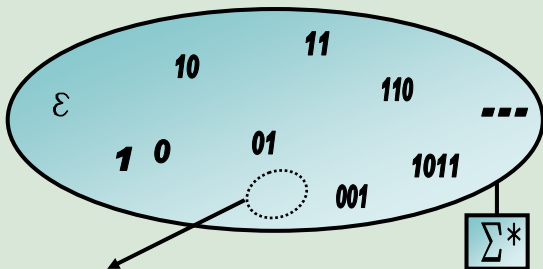
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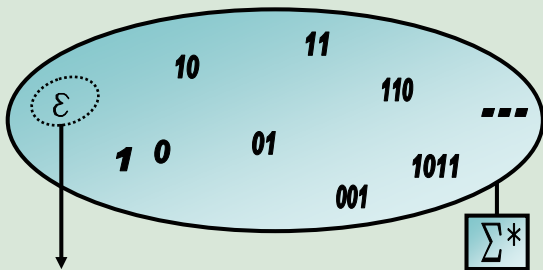
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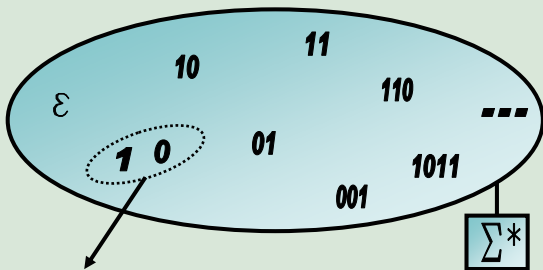
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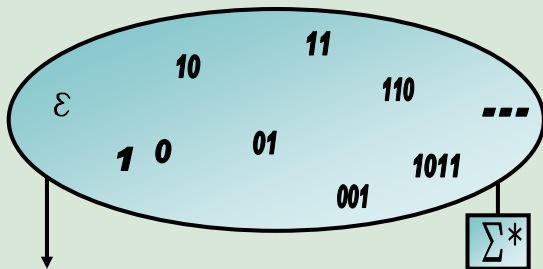
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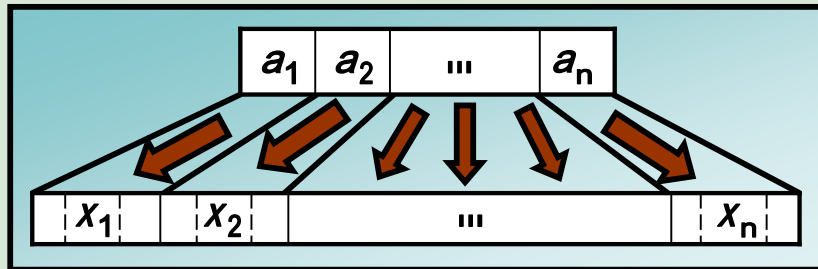


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Illustration:

- $G = (T, P, w)$,
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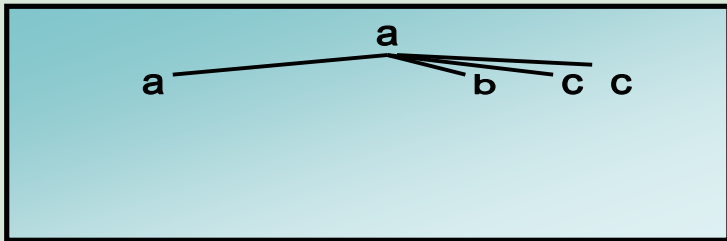
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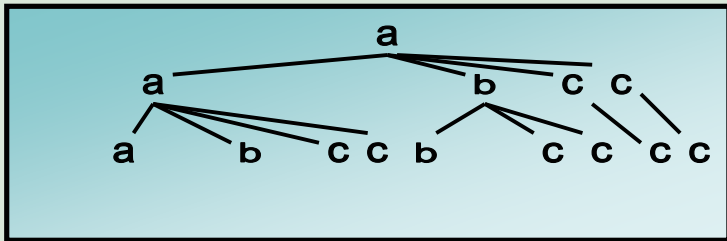
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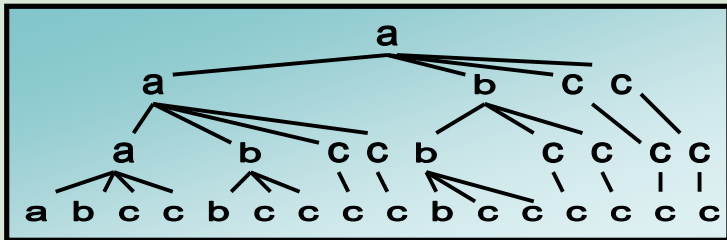
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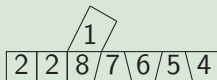
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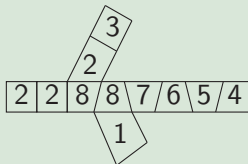
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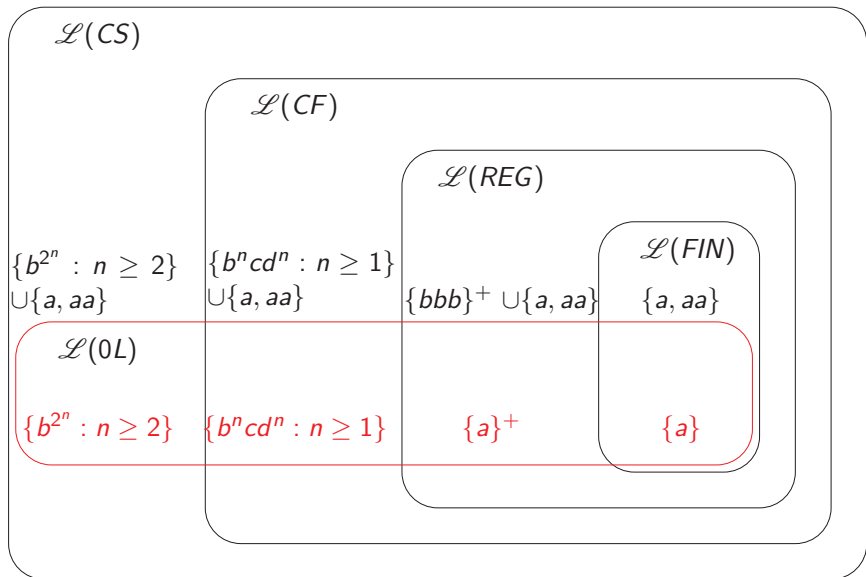


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Part III

Alternatives of L-Systems

E0L-System

An E0L-System is a quadruple

$$G = (V, T, P, w)$$

where:

V is an total alphabet,

T is an alphabet and $V \subseteq T$,

P is a set of the form $a \rightarrow x$ with $a \in V$ and $x \in V^*$,

w is the start string ($w \in V^+$).

Derivation

\Rightarrow , \Rightarrow^+ , \Rightarrow^* – by analogy with 0L-systems

Generated Language

Let $G = (V, T, P, w)$ be a E0L-system. The language generated by G , $L(G)$, is defined as $L(G) = \{x : x \in T^* \text{ and } w \Rightarrow^* x\}$

T0L-System

An T0L-System is a $(n + 2)$ -tuple

$$G = (T, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, w)$$

where:

- $n \geq 1$,
- for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $G_i = (T, P_i, w)$ is an 0L-system.

Derivation

For $x, y \in T^*$,

- $x \Rightarrow y$ in G if $x \Rightarrow y$ in $G_i = (T, P_i, w)$ for some $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
- \Rightarrow^+ , \Rightarrow^* – by analogy with 0L-systems

Generated Language

Let $G = (T, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, w)$ be a T0L-system. The language generated by G , $L(G)$, is defined as $L(G) = \{x : x \in T^* \text{ and } w \Rightarrow^* x\}$

ET0L-System

An ET0L-System is a $(n + 3)$ -tuple

$$G = (V, T, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, w)$$

where:

- $n \geq 1$,
- for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $G_i = (V, T, P_i, w)$ is an E0L-system.

Derivation

For $x, y \in T^*$,

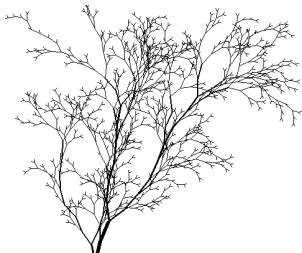
- $x \Rightarrow y$ in G if $x \Rightarrow y$ in $G_i = (V, T, P_i, w)$ for some $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
- \Rightarrow^+ , \Rightarrow^* – by analogy with 0L-systems

Generated Language

Let $G = (V, T, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, w)$ be a ET0L-system. The language generated by G , $L(G)$, is defined as $L(G) = \{x : x \in T^* \text{ and } w \Rightarrow^* x\}$

Part IV

Conclusion



- 0L–system is natural rewriting system with geometrical property.
- Family of 0L–system languages are relatively small.
- There are some modifications of original 0L–systems, such that *E0L*, *T0L* and *ET0L* systems.
- $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{CF}) \subset \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{E0L}) \subset \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{ET0L}) \subset \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{CS})$.



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