Alternating Nominal Automata with Name Allocation

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» Data languages are formal languages over an infinite alphabet.

 $\lambda a.(\lambda b.)^* a$ (using shadowing)

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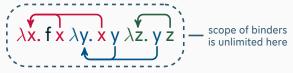
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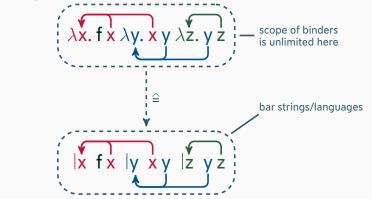


$$\lambda \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{f} \mathbf{x} \lambda \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x} \mathbf{y} \lambda \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{y} \mathbf{z}$$
 = scope of binders is unlimited here

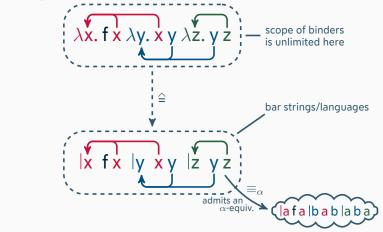




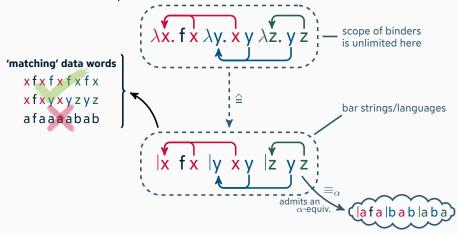






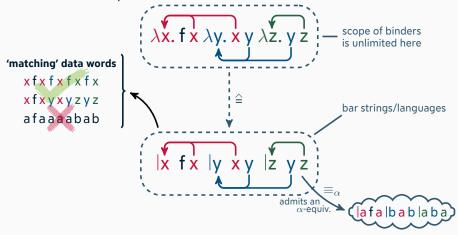








» We consider data languages with explicit binders, which we see with λ -terms without parenthesis:



» 'Match' data words by taking any representative without bars.



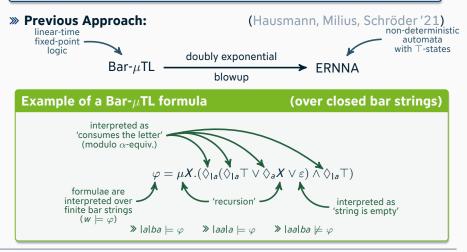


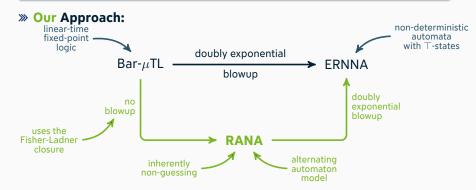




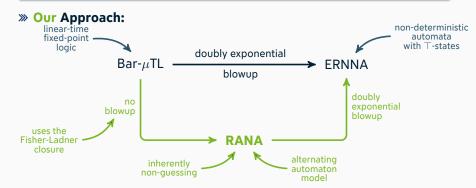








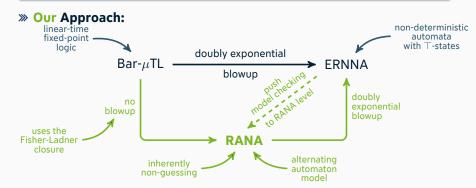
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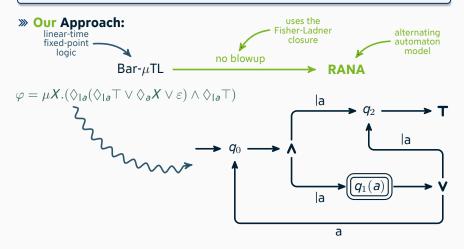
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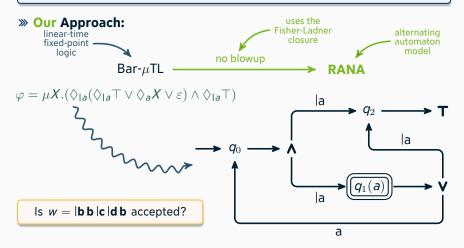


 $\varphi = \mu \mathbf{X}.(\Diamond_{|\mathbf{a}}(\Diamond_{|\mathbf{a}}\top \vee \Diamond_{\mathbf{a}}\mathbf{X} \vee \varepsilon) \land \Diamond_{|\mathbf{a}}\top)$

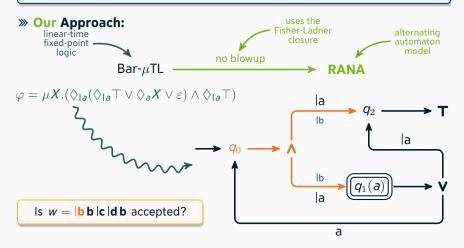
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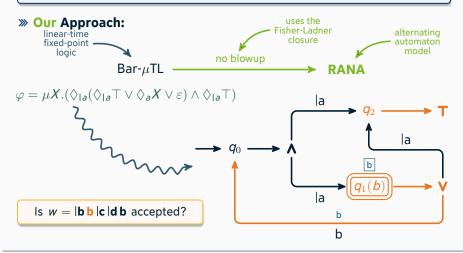
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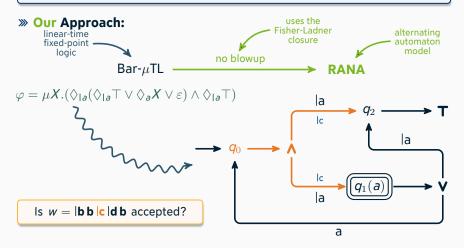
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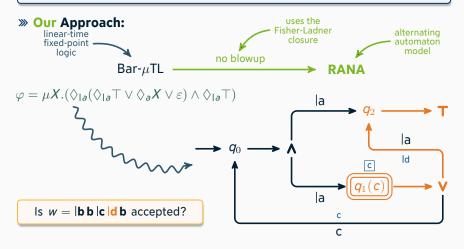
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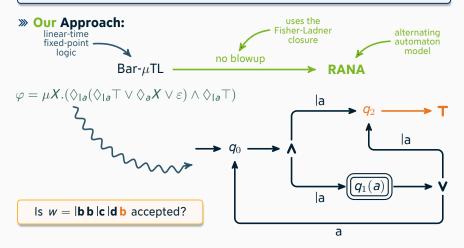
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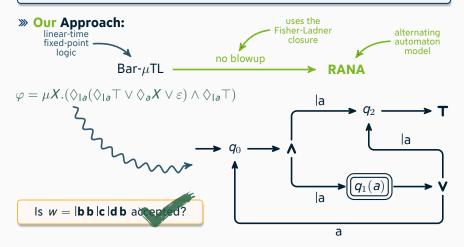
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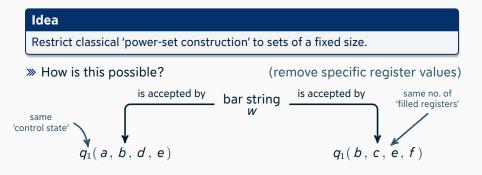




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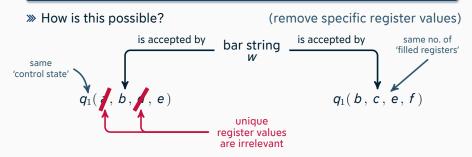
» How is this possible?





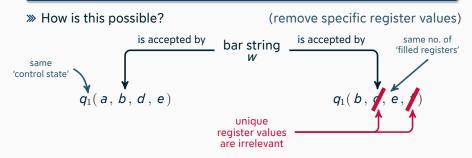


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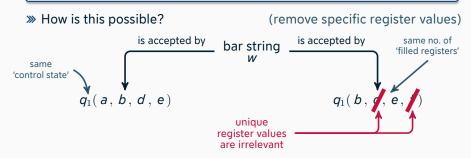


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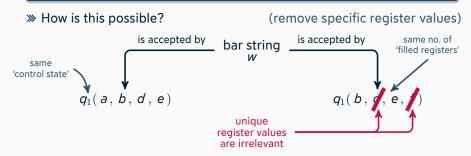
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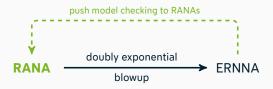
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Theorem (De-Alternation)

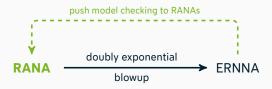
RANAs can be de-alternated to ERNNAs with a doubly exponential blowup.

Finite Representability





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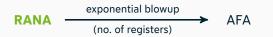
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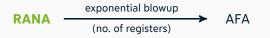
ERNNA $\longleftrightarrow \approx$ NFA with a \top -state

» To push model checking back to RANAs, we saw a similar 'equivalence':







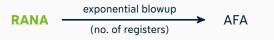


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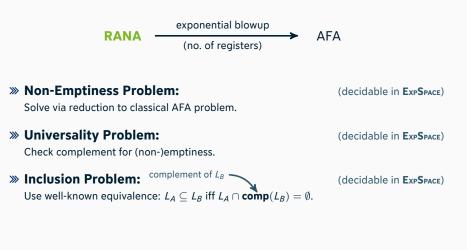
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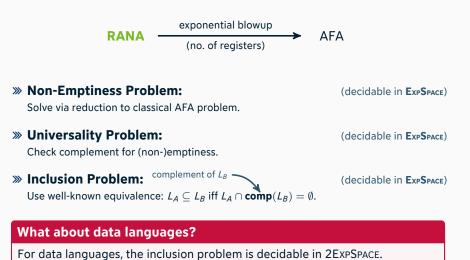
Check complement for (non-)emptiness.

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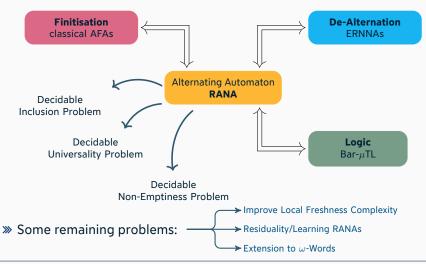






There is seemingly a need for de-alternation.

>>>> We looked at a variant of alternating automata for data languages with inherent name binding, and found many interesting properties:



Questions?



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