

Equational description  
of pseudovarieties of homomorphisms

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## Eilenberg correspondence (1976)

Varieties of regular languages:

- closed under:
1. Boolean operations
  2. quotients
  3. preimages under (non-erasing) homomorphisms

Pseudovarieties of finite monoids (semigroups):

- closed under:
1. homomorphic images
  2. submonoids (subsemigroups)
  3. finite direct products

**Generalizations:**

**Pin (1995):** not closed under complementation.

**Straubing (2002):** closed under preimages only for a certain class of homomorphisms.

## Objects = Homomorphisms onto Finite Monoids

$\mathbf{M}$  ... the class of all onto homomorphisms  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \twoheadrightarrow M$ ,  $\Sigma$  finite alphabet,  $M$  finite monoid

$\mathcal{C}$  ... category of homomorphisms between free monoids over finite alphabets:

$\Sigma, \Xi$  finite alphabets

$\mathcal{C}(\Sigma^*, \Xi^*)$  ... a set of monoid homomorphisms  $\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Xi^*$

$f \in \mathcal{C}(\Sigma^*, \Xi^*)$  &  $g \in \mathcal{C}(\Xi^*, \Gamma^*) \implies gf \in \mathcal{C}(\Sigma^*, \Gamma^*)$

$\text{id}_{\Sigma^*} \in \mathcal{C}(\Sigma^*, \Sigma^*)$

## C-pseudovariety of Homomorphisms

**V** subclass of **M** closed under

1. homomorphic images:  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M, \varphi \in \mathbf{V}, \alpha: M \rightarrow N$  homo  $\implies \alpha\varphi \in \mathbf{V}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^* & \xrightarrow{\varphi \in \mathbf{V}} & M & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & N \\ & \searrow & \nearrow & & \\ & & & & \\ & & \in \mathbf{V} & & \end{array}$$

2. substructures:  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M, \varphi \in \mathbf{V}, f \in \mathcal{C}(\Xi^*, \Sigma^*) \implies \varphi f \in \mathbf{V}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Xi^* & \xrightarrow{f \in \mathcal{C}} & \Sigma^* & \xrightarrow{\varphi \in \mathbf{V}} & M \\ & \searrow & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & \text{Im}(\varphi f) \\ & & \in \mathbf{V} & & \end{array}$$

3. finite products:  $\varphi_i: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M_i, \varphi_i \in \mathbf{V}, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n \implies$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Sigma^* & \xrightarrow{(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n)} & M_1 \times \dots \times M_n \\ & \searrow & \uparrow \\ & & \text{Im}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \\ & & \in \mathbf{V} \end{array}$$

## Eilenberg-Type Correspondence

$\mathcal{C}$ -varieties of regular languages:

- closed under:
1. Boolean operations
  2. quotients
  3. preimages under homomorphisms **belonging to  $\mathcal{C}$**

**Particular cases of  $\mathcal{C}$ :**

all homomorphisms ... pseudovarieties of monoids

non-erasing homomorphisms ... pseudovarieties of semigroups

literal (length-preserving) homomorphisms

length-multiplying homomorphisms

# Implicit Operations

standard  $k$ -ary implicit operation:

- system  $\tau = (\tau_M : M^k \rightarrow M)_{M \text{ finite monoid}}$
- for every monoid homomorphism  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M^k & \xrightarrow{\alpha^k} & N^k \\ \tau_M \downarrow & & \downarrow \tau_N \\ M & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & N \end{array}$$

$\mathcal{I}_k$  ... set of all standard  $k$ -ary implicit operations

Implicit  $\mathcal{C}$ -operation:

- consists of **partial** operations defined on  **$\mathcal{C}$ -admissible tuples**
- arity is an arbitrary finite alphabet  $\Gamma$
- invariant only under  **$\mathcal{C}$ -morphisms**

## $\mathcal{C}$ -admissible Tuples

$k$ -tuple in  $M^k \sim$  mapping  $k \rightarrow M \sim$  homomorphism  $k^* \rightarrow M$

$\mathcal{C}$ -admissible  $\Gamma$ -tuples for  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M$ :

$$\Gamma^* \xrightarrow{\iota \in \mathcal{C}} \Sigma^* \xrightarrow{\varphi} M \qquad M_{\varphi, \mathcal{C}}^{\Gamma} = \{ \varphi \iota \mid \iota \in \mathcal{C}(\Gamma^*, \Sigma^*) \}$$

**Examples:**

$\mathcal{C}$  = literal homomorphisms: tuples of distinguished generators

$\mathcal{C}$  = length-multiplying homomorphisms:

tuples of elements which are products of distinguished generators of equal length

## Morphisms in $\mathbf{M} = \mathcal{C}$ -morphisms

**$\mathcal{C}$ -morphism** from  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M$  to  $\psi: \Xi^* \rightarrow N$  in  $\mathbf{M}$ :

monoid homomorphism  $\alpha: M \rightarrow N$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Sigma^* & \xrightarrow{\exists f \in \mathcal{C}} & \Xi^* \\
 \varphi \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi \\
 M & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & N
 \end{array}$$

Extension to  $\mathcal{C}$ -admissible  $\Gamma$ -tuples:  $\alpha^\Gamma: M_{\varphi, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma \rightarrow N_{\psi, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma \quad \alpha^\Gamma(\varphi\iota) = \alpha\varphi\iota$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Gamma^* & & \\
 \iota \in \mathcal{C} \downarrow & & \\
 \Sigma^* & \xrightarrow{\exists f \in \mathcal{C}} & \Xi^* \\
 \varphi \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi \\
 M & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & N
 \end{array}$$



## Implicit $\mathcal{C}$ -operations

$\Gamma$ -ary implicit  $\mathcal{C}$ -operation:

- system  $\pi = (\pi_\varphi: M_{\varphi, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma \rightarrow M)_{\varphi \in \mathbf{M}}$ ,  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \twoheadrightarrow M$
- for every  $\mathcal{C}$ -morphism  $\alpha$  from  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \twoheadrightarrow M$  to  $\psi: \Xi^* \twoheadrightarrow N$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M_{\varphi, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma & \xrightarrow{\alpha^\Gamma} & N_{\psi, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma \\ \pi_\varphi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_\psi \\ M & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & N \end{array}$$

$\mathcal{I}_\Gamma^\mathcal{C}$  ... set of all  $\Gamma$ -ary implicit  $\mathcal{C}$ -operations

## Metric Monoids of Implicit $\mathcal{C}$ -operations

Operation on  $\mathcal{I}_\Gamma^{\mathcal{C}}$ :  $(\pi \cdot \rho)_\varphi(\varphi\iota) = \pi_\varphi(\varphi\iota) \cdot \rho_\varphi(\varphi\iota)$

Metrics on  $\mathcal{I}_\Gamma^{\mathcal{C}}$ :  $d(\pi, \rho) = 2^{-\min\{ |M| ; \exists \varphi \in \mathbf{M}, \varphi: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M, \pi_\varphi \neq \rho_\varphi \}}$

**Proposition:** The metric monoids  $\mathcal{I}_\Gamma^{\mathcal{C}}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{|\Gamma|}$  are isomorphic.

**Proof:**

$\tau$  standard  $|\Gamma|$ -ary implicit operation ( $\tau_M: M^\Gamma \rightarrow M$ )

$\rightsquigarrow$  implicit  $\mathcal{C}$ -operation  $\pi_\varphi = \tau_M|_{M_{\varphi, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma}$

$\pi$  implicit  $\mathcal{C}$ -operation

$\rightsquigarrow$  standard implicit operation  $\tau_M: M^\Gamma \rightarrow M$  defined by  $\tau_M(\kappa) = \pi_\kappa(\kappa)$ ,  
where  $\kappa \in M^\Gamma$  understood as  $\kappa: \Gamma^* \rightarrow \text{Im}(\kappa)$  in  $\mathbf{M}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma^* & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\Gamma^*} \in \mathcal{C}} & \Gamma^* & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & \text{Im}(\kappa) \\ & \searrow & & \nearrow & \\ & & & & \in \text{Im}(\kappa)_{\kappa, \mathcal{C}}^\Gamma \end{array}$$

## Pseudoidentities

**Pseudoidentity:**  $\sigma \doteq \tau$ , where  $\sigma, \tau$  are  $k$ -ary implicit operations

$$M \models \sigma \doteq \tau \iff \sigma_M = \tau_M$$

**Reiterman (1982):**

Pseudovarieties = classes of finite monoids definable by a set of pseudoidentities.

**$\Gamma$ -ary  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudoidentity:**  $\pi \doteq \rho$ , where  $\pi, \rho$  are  $\Gamma$ -ary implicit  $\mathcal{C}$ -operations

$$\varphi \models_{\mathcal{C}} \pi \doteq \rho \iff \pi_{\varphi} = \rho_{\varphi}$$

For a set  $T$  of  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudoidentities,  $\text{Mod}_{\mathcal{C}}(T) = \{ \varphi \in \mathbf{M} \mid \varphi \models_{\mathcal{C}} \pi \doteq \rho \forall \pi \doteq \rho \in T \}$ .

**Theorem:** A subclass  $\mathbf{V}$  of  $\mathbf{M}$  is a  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudovariety if and only if  $\mathbf{V} = \text{Mod}_{\mathcal{C}}(T)$   
for some set of  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudoidentities  $T$ .

## $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudoidentities for Everyday Use

### Examples:

$\mathcal{C}$  = literal homomorphisms: pseudoidentities verified on distinguished generators

$\mathcal{C}$  = injective homomorphisms: pseudoidentities verified on images of codes under  $\varphi$

$\mathcal{C}$  contains all isomorphisms  $\implies$

for alphabets of the same cardinality,  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudoidentities are the same

$\mathcal{C}$  contains all literal homomorphisms  $\implies$

usual relationship between  $k$ -ary and  $k + 1$ -ary  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudoidentities

## Stable subsemigroups

**Stable subsemigroup** of  $\varphi: \Sigma^* \rightarrow M$ : subsemigroup  $\text{Stab } \varphi = (\varphi(\Sigma))^\omega$  of  $M$

For a pseudovariety  $\mathbf{V}$  of finite semigroups,  $S\mathbf{V} = \{ \varphi \in \mathbf{M} \mid \text{Stab } \varphi \in \mathbf{V} \}$ .

$\mathcal{C}$  = length-multiplying homomorphisms  $(\forall a, b \in \Sigma: |f(a)| = |f(b)|)$

**Straubing (2002)**:  $S\mathbf{V}$  is a  $\mathcal{C}$ -pseudovariety.

$\mathbf{V} = \text{Mod}(\pi_i \doteq \rho_i \mid i \in I) \implies$

$S\mathbf{V} = \text{Mod}_{\mathcal{C}}(\pi_i(x_1 y_1^{\omega-2} z_1, \dots, x_k y_k^{\omega-2} z_k) \doteq \rho_i(x_1 y_1^{\omega-2} z_1, \dots, x_k y_k^{\omega-2} z_k) \mid i \in I)$

**Example:**

**Barrington, Compton, Straubing, Thérien (1992)**:

$AC^0 \cap \text{Reg}$  corresponds to  $S\mathbf{A} = \text{Mod}_{\mathcal{C}}((xy^{\omega-2}z)^\omega \doteq (xy^{\omega-2}z)^{\omega+1})$