

On a Fragment of AMSO and Tiling Systems

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Plan of the talk

1) Tiling Systems

2) Asymptotic Monadic Second-Order Logic (AMSO)

(a fragment of AMSO can be reduced to appropriate tiling systems)

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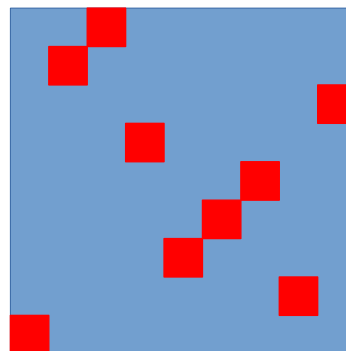
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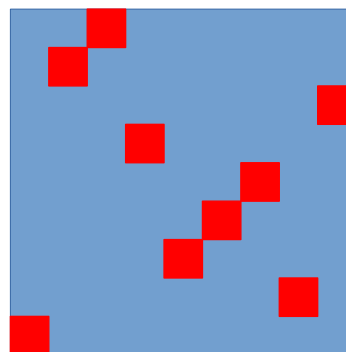
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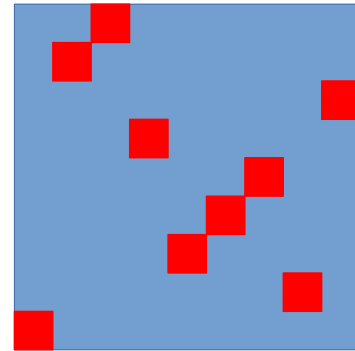
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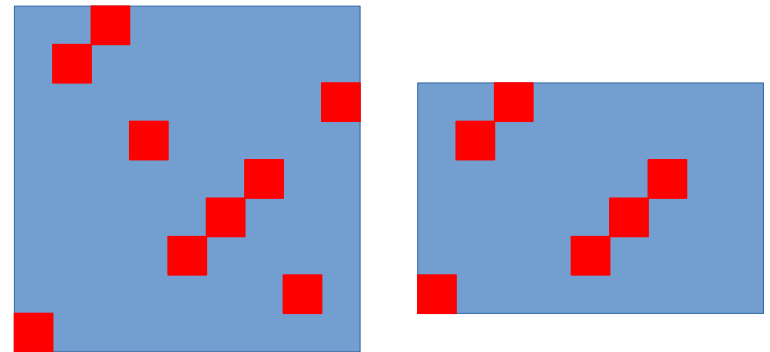
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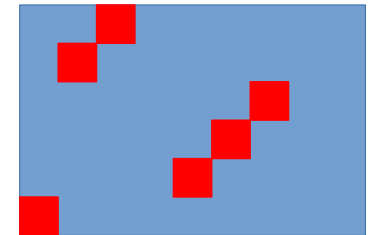
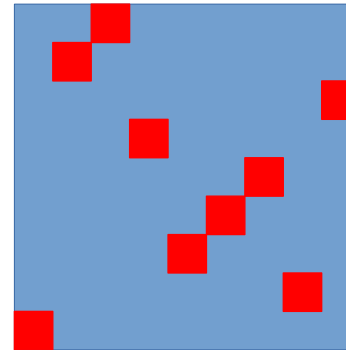
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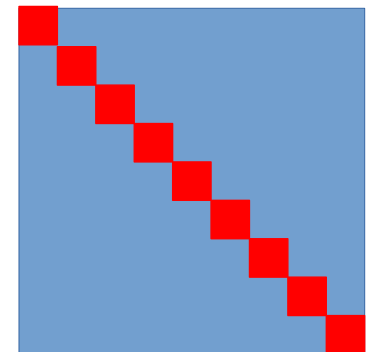
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Contribution

Thm.

Symmetric lossy tiling problem is decidable.

Is the (non-symmetric) lossy tiling problem decidable? - open

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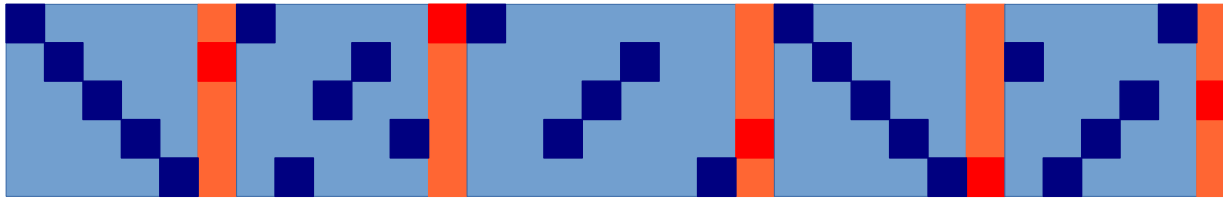
Another example:

$$L = ((d^*cd^*)^*(a+b))^* \cap (b+c+d)^*a(b+c+d)^*$$

exactly one c between any two a / b & exactly one a

$$K = d^*c^?d^* \cup b^*a^?b^*$$

either many d and at most one c , or many b and at most one a



In this example: every solution of height n has width $\geq n^2$

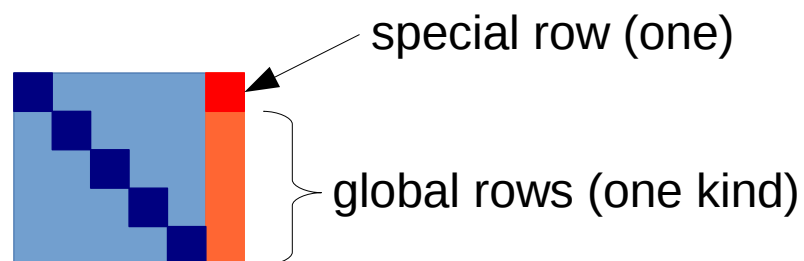
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They are of this form:



We have:

- some number of *special rows*
- some number of kinds of global rows,
global rows of each kind can be repeated as many times as we want

We use monoid for L – every row is characterized by its value in this monoid

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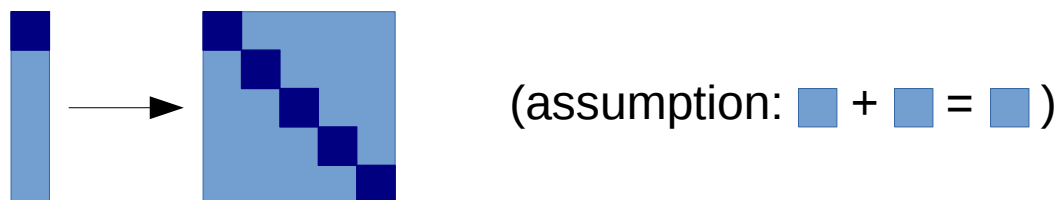
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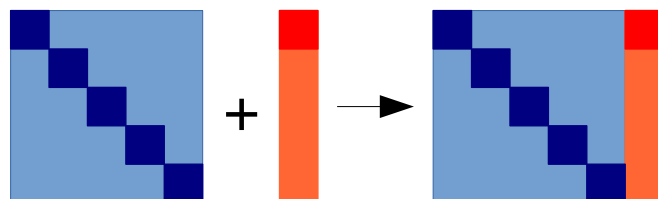
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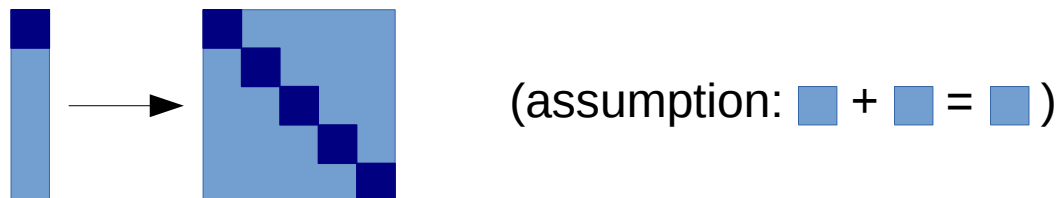
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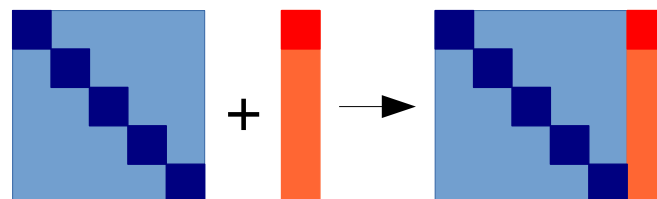
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Proof. We develop a new generalization of the factorization forests theorem of Simon.

Non-symmetric lossy tiling systems (decidability open)

Example:

$$L = a1^+(b1^+a1^+)^*$$

a and b are alternating after ignoring all 1 & at least one a

$$K = b^+a^?1^*$$

first some b , then at most one a , then some 1



In this example: every solution of height n has width $\geq 2^n - 1$
(not covered by our algorithm)

Asymptotic Monadic Second-Order Logic

(introduced by Blumensath, Carton & Colcombet, 2014)

Logic	MSO+U	AMSO
Idea	verification of asymptotic behavior (something is bounded / unbounded)	
Structure	ω -words	weighted ω -words (a number is assigned to every position)
Quantities to be measured	set sizes (arbitrary quantities)	weights

Asymptotic Monadic Second-Order Logic

Def. AMSO = MSO extended by:

- quantification over number variables $\exists s \forall r$
- construction $f(x) \leq s$ appearing positively if s quantified existentially
(negatively if s quantified universally)

Examples:

- weights are bounded: $\exists s \forall x (f(x) \leq s)$
- weights $\rightarrow \infty$: $\forall s \exists x (\forall y > x) (f(y) > s)$
- ∞ many weights occur ∞ often: $\forall s \exists r \forall x (\exists y > x) (s < f(y) \leq r)$

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What about fragments of AMSO ?

We have reductions: (no number quantifiers in ψ)

$\exists r \forall s \exists t \psi(r, s, t)$
only $s < f(y) \leq t$ allowed \longrightarrow symmetric lossy tiling system

$\exists r \forall s \exists t \psi(r, s, t) \longrightarrow$ lossy tiling system

number quantifiers $\psi(\dots) \longrightarrow$ multi-dimensional lossy tiling system

decidable!!!



Conjecture: satisfiability decidable for these fragments.

Thank you!