

Appendix A

Looking at variation with $\mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X)$ we can weaken the condition “ $\mathcal{L} \pm \mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ ” substituting $\mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X)$ by a much smaller family at all places where these condition appear. Moreover, we get a much stronger result than le.3.2 for this family. For a given X consider the families $\mathcal{L}_0(X) = (\text{fin}(X^*)^{\mathbf{c}})^{\text{ltr}}$ and $\mathcal{L}_{\text{itr}}(X) = \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{b}}$. Then we can use $\mathcal{L}_{\text{itr}}(X)$ instead of $\mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X)$. In this appendix we take a more concise look at $\mathcal{L}_{\text{itr}}(X)$ and derive a complete characterization of $\text{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{itr}}(X))$. The key to all our considerations are the complement formulas for left translation ($L \subseteq X^*$, $w \in L$) :

$$(C1) \quad (wL)^{\mathbf{c}} = wL^{\mathbf{c}} \cup (wX^*)^{\mathbf{c}},$$

$$(C2) \quad wL^{\mathbf{c}} = (wL)^{\mathbf{c}} \cap wX^*.$$

$$(C3) \quad (wX^*)^{\mathbf{c}} = (X^{|w|}X^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \cup (X^{|w|} \setminus w)X^* \text{ and}$$

$$(C4) \quad \text{If } L \in \text{fin}(X^*) \text{ and } k > \max\{|z| \mid z \in L\}, \text{ then } L^{\mathbf{c}} = ((X^kX^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \setminus L) \cup X^kX^*.$$

Remark : If $X = \{a\}$, then for all $k \geq 0$: $X^k \setminus a^k = \emptyset$, hence $(a^k a^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \in \text{fin}(a^*)$ and $(a^k L)^{\mathbf{c}} \in \text{fin}(a^*)^{\mathbf{c}}$ for all $L \in \text{fin}(a^*)^{\mathbf{c}}$. This shows $\mathcal{L}_0(a) = \text{fin}(a^*)^{\mathbf{c}} = \text{fin}(a^*)^{\mathbf{b}}$, i.e. $\mathcal{L}_{\text{itr}}(a) = \text{fin}(a^*)^{\mathbf{b}}$.

Now we prove

Lemma A.1 :

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{c}} \subseteq \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}}.$$

$$(2) \quad (\mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}})^{\mathbf{s}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{itr}}(X).$$

Proof : (1) Consider $w \in X^*$ and $L \in \text{fin}(X^*)^{\mathbf{c}}$. Then $wL^{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathcal{L}_0(X)$. Since $(X^{|w|}X^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \in \text{fin}(X^*)$ and $(X^{|w|} \setminus w)X^* \in \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}}$, $(wX^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}}$, $(wL)^{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}}$ by (C1) and (C3).

(2) follows by (1).

Lemma A.2 :

$$(1) \quad \forall A, B \in \text{fin}(X^*), u \in X^*: uA^{\mathbf{c}} \cap B^{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathcal{L}_0(X).$$

$$(2) \quad \forall A, B \in \mathcal{L}_0(X): A \cap B \in \mathcal{L}_0(X).$$

Proof : (1) We apply (C4), where additionally $k \geq |u|$. Then

$$B^{\mathbf{c}} \cap uX^* = (((X^kX^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \setminus L) \cap uX^*) \cup (X^kX^* \cap uX^*).$$

Now, $((X^kX^*)^{\mathbf{c}} \setminus L) \cap uX^* = uC$ with $C \in \text{fin}(X^*)$ and $(X^kX^* \cap uX^*) = uX^{k-|u|}X^*$. But then

$$uA^{\mathbf{c}} \cap B^{\mathbf{c}} = uA^{\mathbf{c}} \cap (B^{\mathbf{c}} \cap uX^*) = uA^{\mathbf{c}} \cap (uC \cup uX^{k-|u|}X^*) = u(A^{\mathbf{c}} \cap (C \cup X^{k-|u|}X^*)).$$

Since $\text{fin}(X^*)^{\mathbf{c}} = (\text{fin}(X^*)^{\mathbf{c}})^{\mathbf{b}}$, $A^{\mathbf{c}} \cap (C \cup X^{k-|u|}X^*) \in \text{fin}(X^*)^{\mathbf{c}}$ and therefore $uA^{\mathbf{c}} \cap B^{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathcal{L}_0(X)$.

(2) Let $A = uA_1$ and $B = vB_1$ with $A_1, B_1 \in \text{fin}(X^*)^{\mathbf{c}}$ and $u, v \in X^*$. If neither $u \leq v$ (**pref**) nor $v \leq u$ (**pref**), then $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Moreover, if A_1 or $B_1 \in \text{fin}(X^*)$, then $A \cap B \in \text{fin}(X^*)$. Hence we can assume without loss of generality, that $A_1 = A_2^{\mathbf{c}}, B_1 = B_2^{\mathbf{c}}, A_2, B_2 \in \text{fin}(X^*)$ and $u = vu'$

for some $u' \in X^*$. Then by (1) $uA_2^c \cap vB_2^c = v(u'A_2^c \cap B_2^c) \in \mathcal{L}_0(X)$.

Theorem A.3 : $\mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X)$ and $\mathcal{L}_{\text{tr}}(X) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X)^{\text{ltr}}$.

Proof : By le.A.1 $(\mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}})^{\mathbf{s}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X)$. By le.A.2 $(\mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}})^{\mathbf{s}} = (\mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{s}})^{\mathbf{u}} = \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}}$.

Furthermore,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X) = \mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}} = ((\text{fin}(X^*)^c)^{\text{ltr}})^{\mathbf{u}} = (((\text{fin}(X^*)^c)^{\text{ltr}})^{\mathbf{u}})^{\text{ltr}} = (\mathcal{L}_0(X)^{\mathbf{u}})^{\text{ltr}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X)^{\text{ltr}}.$$

Next we study ltr-cancellation.

Lemma A.4 : If \mathcal{L} is ltr-cancellative, then \mathcal{L}^{ltr} and $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{u}}$ are ltr-cancellative. If additionally $\mathcal{L} \pm \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{L}$, then \mathcal{L}^{co} , $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{s}}$ and $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{b}}$ are ltr-cancellative.

Proof : (1) Suppose $wL \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{ltr}}$, then $wL = uL'$ for $w, u \in X^*$ and $L' \in \mathcal{L}$. Then either $w \leq u(\text{pref})$ or $u \leq w(\text{pref})$. If $u = wv$, then $wL = w(vL)$ and therefore $L = vL'$. Since $L' \in \mathcal{L}$, $L \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{ltr}}$. If $w = uv$, then $vL = L' \in \mathcal{L}$. \mathcal{L} is ltr-cancellative, hence $L \in \mathcal{L}$.

(2) Let $wL = L_1 \cup \dots \cup L_n$ with $L_i \in \mathcal{L}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Then each $L_i \subseteq wX^*$, i.e. $L_i = wL_i'$. Since \mathcal{L} is ltr-cancellative, $L_i' \in \mathcal{L}$. But then $L = L_1' \cup \dots \cup L_n' \in \mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{u}}$.

(3) If $wL \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{co}}$, then $(wL)^c \in \mathcal{L}$. But $(wL)^c \cap wX^* = wL^c \in \mathcal{L}$. Since \mathcal{L} is ltr-cancellative, $L^c \in \mathcal{L}$, hence $L \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{co}}$.

(4) By fact 1.2.(2) $\mathcal{L}^{\text{co}} \pm \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{L}^{\text{co}}$ and $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{u}} \pm \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{u}}$. \mathcal{L}^{co} and $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{u}}$ are ltr-cancellative. Moreover, $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{s}} = ((\mathcal{L}^{\text{co}})^{\mathbf{u}})^{\text{co}}$ and $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{b}} = ((\mathcal{L}^c)^{\mathbf{u}})^{\mathbf{s}}$, hence $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{s}}$ and $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{b}}$ are ltr-cancellative.

Theorem A.5 : If $\#(X) > 1$, then $\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X)$ is ltr-cancellative.

Proof : Since $((\text{fin}(X^*)^c)^{\text{ltr}})^{\mathbf{u}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X)$, we can apply le.A.4, if $\text{fin}(X^*)^c$ is ltr-cancellative. Let $wL \in \text{fin}(X^*)^c$. If $wL \in \text{fin}(X^*)$, then $L \in \text{fin}(X^*)$. Suppose $wL \in \text{fin}(X^*)^c$, then by (C1) $(wL)^c = wL^c \cup (wX^*)^c \in \text{fin}(X^*)$. But $(wX^*)^c \notin \text{fin}(X^*)$ and we arrive at a contradiction to $(wL)^c \in \text{fin}(X^*)$, unless $w = \mathbf{1}$. If $w = \mathbf{1}$, we get directly $L = wL \in \text{fin}(X^*)^c$.

As indicated, we can determine $\text{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X))$ using sequential mappings.

Theorem A.6 : Let $\#(X) > 1$. $A \in \text{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X))$ if and only if $A \notin \text{fin}(X^*)$ and a sequential $f_A : \mathbf{N}_0 \rightarrow X^*$ exists, with $A \setminus f_A(n)X^* \in \text{fin}(X^*)$ for all $n \geq 0$.

Proof : The key to the proof is the following

Assertion 1 : If $A \in \text{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X))$, then

$$\forall u, v \in X^*, |u| = |v| : A \cap uX^*, A \cap vX^* \notin \text{fin}(X^*) \Rightarrow u = v.$$

Proof : Suppose $A \cap uX^* \notin \text{fin}(X^*)$ and $u \neq v$. Then $uX^* \cap vX^* = \emptyset$. Hence, $vX^* \cap A \subseteq (uX^*)^c \cap A$ and therefore $(uX^*)^c \cap A \notin \text{fin}(X^*)$. Hence $A \notin \text{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X))$ - a contradiction.

Suppose $A \in \text{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ltr}}(X))$. Since $A \notin \text{fin}(X^*)$, we can find to any $n \geq 0$ $w \in X^*$ with

$|w| = n$ and $A \cap wX^* \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$. Define $f_A(n) = w$. By the assertion f_A is uniquely determined. If $u \leq w(\mathbf{pref})$, then $A \cap wX^* \subseteq A \cap uX^*$, hence $A \cap uX^* \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ and by assertion $f_A(|u|) = u$. Moreover, since $A \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$, $A \cap (f_A(n)X^*)^c \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ for all $n \geq 0$.

Conversely, let $A \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ and f_A sequential with $A \setminus f_A(n)X^* \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ ($n \geq 0$). Consider wL for $w \in X^*$ and $L \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)^c$.

Assertion 2 : $wL \cap A \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*) \Leftrightarrow (wL)^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$.

Proof : Suppose $wL \cap A \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$. If $L \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, then $wL \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ - a contradiction.

Assume $L = L'^c$ for $L' \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$. If $f_A(|w|) \neq w$, then $wL'^c \subseteq wX^*$ and $wX^* \cap f(|w|)X^* = \emptyset$. But then $wL'^c \subseteq (f(|w|)X^*)^c$ and $wL \cap A = wL'^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, again a contradiction.

Therefore, $f(|w|) = w$. We know $(wL'^c)^c \cap A = (wL' \cap A) \cup ((X^{|w|}X^*)^c \cap A) \cup (X^{|w|} \setminus w)X^* \cap A$. Since $L' \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, $wL' \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, since $(X^{|w|}X^*)^c \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, $(X^{|w|}X^*)^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, too. Moreover, $(X^{|w|} \setminus w)X^* \subseteq (wX^*)^c$ and then $(X^{|w|} \setminus w)X^* \cap A \subseteq (wX^*)^c \cap A = (f(|w|)X^*)^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$. This shows $(wL)^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$.

Let $L = w_1L_1 \cup \dots \cup w_kL_k \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X)$ with $w_i \in X^*$ and $L_i \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)^c$ for all $1 \leq i \leq k$.

If $L \cap A \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, then $1 \leq i \leq k$ exists with $w_iL_i \cap A \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$. By the assertion $(w_iL_i)^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$. But then $L^c \cap A = (w_1L_1)^c \cap \dots \cap (w_kL_k)^c \cap A \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$.

Note, that by th.A.2 $L, L^c \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X)$. This proves $A \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$.

The functions f_A are uniquely for $A \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$. But we can show more.

Corollary : Let $\#(X) > 1$.

(1) If $A \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$ and $B \subseteq A$ with $B \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$, then $f_A = f_B$.

(2) If $A, B \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$, then $A \cup B \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$ if and only if $f_A = f_B$.

Proof : (1) Suppose $n \geq 0$ exists with $f_A(n) \neq f_B(n)$. We know $B \cap f_B(n)X^*, A \cap f_A(n)X^* \notin \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ and $B \cap f_B(n)X^* \subseteq A \cap f_B(n)X^*$. This is a contradiction to ass.1.

(2) If $A \cup B \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$, then by (1) $f_A = f_{A \cup B} = f_B$, since $A, B \subseteq A \cup B$. Conversely, $(A \cup B) \cap (f_A(n)X^*)^c = (A \cap (f_A(n)X^*)^c) \cup (B \cap (f_A(n)X^*)^c) \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ ($n \geq 0$).

Since $f_A = f_B$, $A \cup B \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$ by th.A.6.

Example A.7 : Let X with $\#(X) > 1$. Define $\mathbf{pref}(L) = \{u \mid \exists w \in L: u \leq w(\mathbf{pref})\}$ for $L \subseteq X^*$.

Let $u, w, v \in X^*$ with $w \neq \mathbf{1}$ and $A = uw^*v$. Define $f_A(n) = z$ with $|z| = n$ and $z \in \mathbf{pref}(L)$.

Then for $n \geq 0$ $A \setminus f_A(n)X^* \in \mathbf{fin}(X^*)$ and therefore $uw^*v \in \mathbf{cohesive}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X))$.

Remark : Everything can be done for rightmarking. Considering *right translation* “Lw” and the closure operation $\mathcal{L}^{\mathbf{rtr}} = \{Lw \mid w \in X^* \text{ and } L \in \mathcal{L}\}$, we obtain $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X) = ((\mathbf{fin}(X^*)^c)^{\mathbf{rtr}})^{\mathbf{u}}$, which is a “rtr-cancellative” boolean algebra.

One can show, that for $X = \{a, b\}$ we get $aX^* \notin \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X)$, $X^*b \notin \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X)$, $a^* \notin \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X) \cap \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{itr}}(X)$.

Appendix B

To assert solvability of a promise problem one can use the reduction principle ([8]) in connection with decompositions of sets for a set family.

Definition B.1 : Let $A, B \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$. (A, B) is \mathcal{S} -reducible if and only if $A' \subseteq A$ and $B' \subseteq B$ exist with $A', B' \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$, $A' \cup B' = A \cup B$ and $A' \cap B' = \emptyset$.

Lemma B.2 : Let $A, B \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$ with $A \cap B = \emptyset$. If (A^c, B^c) is \mathcal{S}^{co} -reducible, then $(A, B) \in \mathit{promise}(\mathcal{S})$.

Proof : Since $A \cap B = \emptyset$, we know $A^c \cup B^c = S$. Then $A'^c \subseteq A^c$ and $B'^c \subseteq B^c$ exist with $A', B' \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$, $A'^c \cup B'^c = A^c \cup B^c = S$ and $A'^c \cap B'^c = \emptyset$. By construction $A \subseteq A'$, $B \subseteq B'$ and $B' = A'^c$, i.e. $(A, B) \in \mathit{promise}(\mathcal{S})$.

Example B.3 : Consider $A, B \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{r.e.}}(X)^{\text{co}}$ with $A \cap B = \emptyset$, $A, A^c, B, B^c \notin \mathit{fin}(X^*)$. we know $A^c, B^c \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{r.e.}}(X)$. By a theorem of Friedberg ([8]) (A^c, B^c) is $\mathcal{L}_{\text{r.e.}}(X)$ -reducible. Applying le.B.2 yields $(A, B) \in \mathit{promise}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{r.e.}}(X)^{\text{co}})$. In contrast to this result $A, B \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{r.e.}}(X)$ with $A \cap B = \emptyset$ exist, such that $(A, B) \notin \mathit{promise}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{r.e.}}(X))$ [8].

Example B.4 : Let $X = \{a, b\}$. Consider

$$A = \{a^n b^m a^m \mid n, m \geq 0\} \text{ and } B = \{a^m b^n a^n \mid n, m \geq 0\}.$$

Then $A, B \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{cf}}(X)$. Suppose $A', B' \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{cf}}(X) \setminus \mathit{fin}(X^*)$ can be found, such that $A \cup B = A' \cup B'$, $A' \subseteq A$, $B' \subseteq B$ and $A' \cap B' = \emptyset$. Let $C = A \cap B$. Then $A' \cap C \notin \mathit{fin}(X^*)$ or $B' \cap C \notin \mathit{fin}(X^*)$. Suppose the first case. Then we can apply Ogden's lemma to $a^n b^n a^n \in A'$ for n large enough with the marking $\underline{a}^n b^n a^n$. But then we find $k \neq n$ with $a^k b^n a^n \in A' \subseteq A$, which is not possible. We can handle the case " $B' \cap C \notin \mathit{fin}(X^*)$ " analogously. Hence (A, B) is not $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cf}}(X)$ -reducible.

Reducibility of (A, B) can be connected to decomposability of sets C .

Definition B.5 : Let $A \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$. Then A is \mathcal{S} -decomposable if and only if $A', A'' \subseteq A$ exist with $A', B' \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$, $A' \cup B' = A$ and $A' \cap B' = \emptyset$.

Lemma B.6 : Let $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}' \subseteq 2^S$ with $\mathcal{S} \odot \mathcal{S}^{\text{co}} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ and $\mathcal{S} \odot \mathit{fin}(S)^{\text{co}} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$.

If $A, B \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$ such that $A \cap B$ is \mathcal{S}' -decomposable, then (A, B) is \mathcal{S} -reducible.

Proof : Consider $A \cap B$. Then two cases arise

Case 1 : " $A \cap B \in \mathit{fin}(S)$ " In this case define $A' = A$ and $B' = B \setminus (A \cap B)$. Since $\mathcal{S} \odot \mathit{fin}(S)^{\text{co}} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$, $A', B' \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$. Moreover, $A' \cap B' = \emptyset$ and $A \cup B = A' \cup B'$.

Case 2 : " $A \cap B \notin \mathit{fin}(S)$ " Since $A \cap B$ is \mathcal{S}' -decomposable, we find $A_0, B_0 \in \mathcal{S}' \setminus \mathit{fin}(S)$ with $A_0 \cap B_0 = \emptyset$ and $A_0 \cup B_0 = A \cap B$. Define $A' = A \cap B_0^c$ and $B' = B \cap A_0^c$. Since $\mathcal{S} \odot \mathcal{S}'^{\text{co}} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$, $A', B' \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathit{fin}(\mathcal{S})$. Moreover, $A' \cap B' = \emptyset$ and $A \cup B = A' \cup B'$.

Decomposability is present in many language families and complexity classes.

Fact B.7 : If $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X)$ with $\mathcal{L} \odot \mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ and $L \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \text{fin}(X^*)$, then L is \mathcal{L} -decomposable.

Proof : Since $|L| \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X) \setminus \text{fin}(X^*)$ we find by the pumping lemma $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta \geq 0$ such that $a^\beta(a^\alpha)^* \subseteq |L|$. Consider $R = \lambda_x^{-1}(a^\beta(a^{2\alpha})^*) \in \mathcal{L}_{\text{reg}}(X)$. Moreover, $A = L \cap R$, $B = L \cap R^c \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \text{fin}(X^*)$ (by assumption). But $A \cup B = L$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$.

Fact B.8 : Let $\mathcal{S} \odot \mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ and $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}^c$.

If $A \notin \text{cohesive}(\mathcal{S}) \cup \text{fin}(X^*)$, then A is \mathcal{S} -decomposable.

Proof : Since $A \notin \text{cohesive}(\mathcal{S}) \cup \text{fin}(X^*)$ a $Q \in \mathcal{V}$ exists with $A \cap Q$, $A \cap Q^c \notin \text{fin}(X^*)$.