# Characterization of relations accepted by two-way transducers

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2-way transducer over  $\Sigma$ ,  $\Gamma$ 







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► **R**<sup>H★</sup>:

- repeat an arbitrary number of times:
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- reach the right endmarker and accept







#### Example

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by the canonical mapping  $a^n \mapsto n$ 



$$L = A \cup \left( t + M + p \mathbb{N} \right)$$

where:  $t, p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A \subseteq [0, t]$  and  $M \subseteq [0, p]$ 

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#### Deterministic (= functional) case

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#### Appendix 2

On central loops when  $\Sigma = \{a\}$  and  $\Gamma = \{a\}$ 

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