

Lecture 4

Model Checking and Logic Synthesis

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Outline

- Model checking: what it is, how it works, how it is used
- Computational complexity of model checking
- Closed system synthesis
- Examples using SPIN model checker

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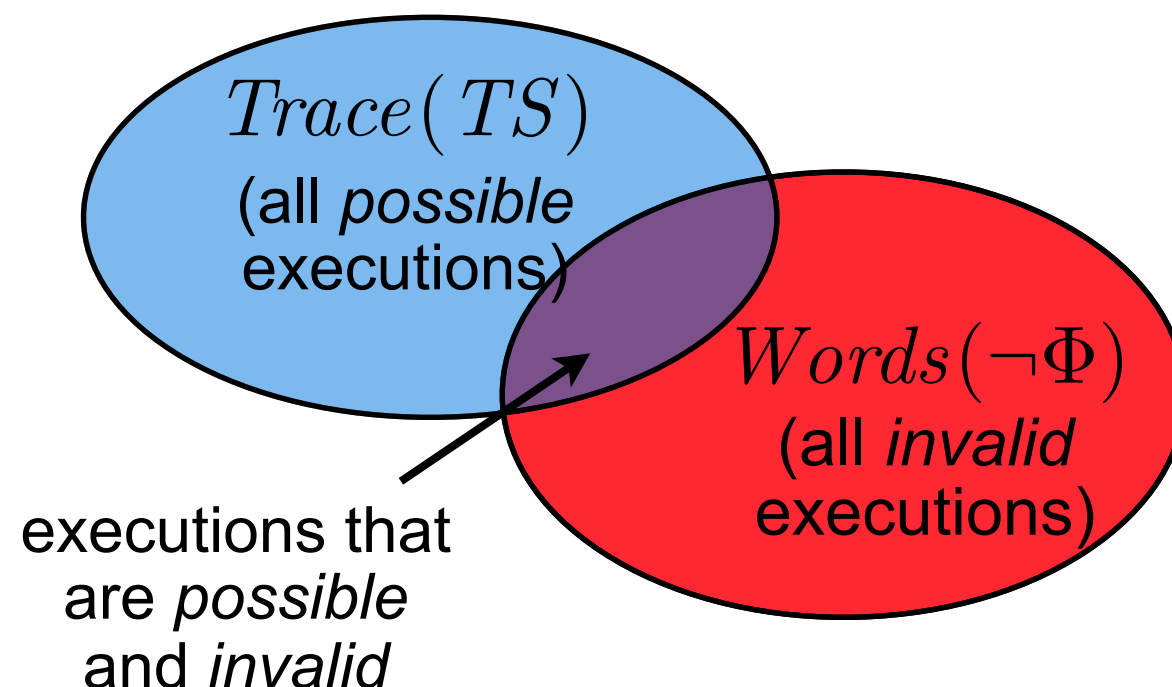
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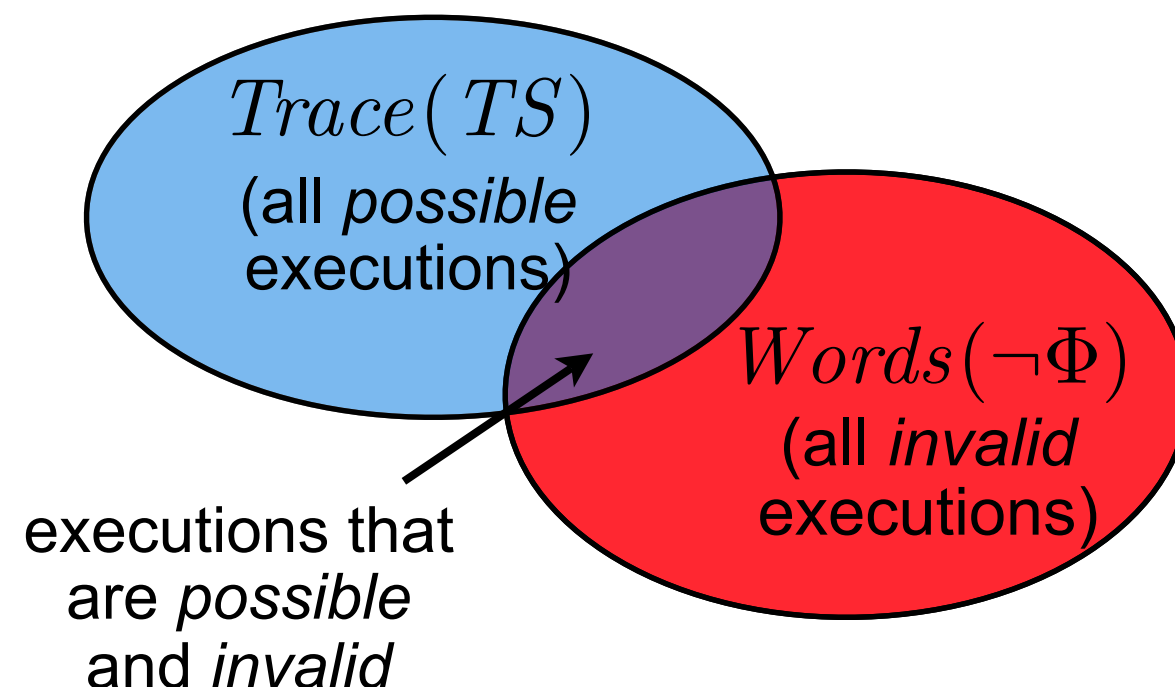
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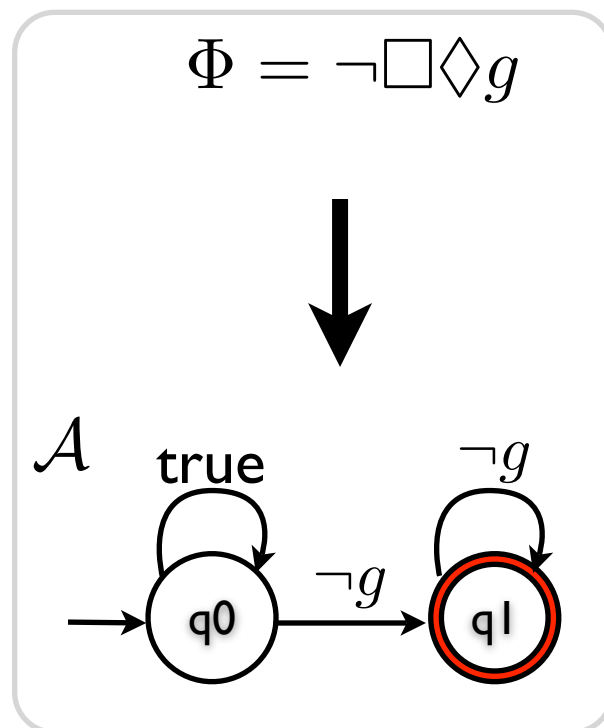
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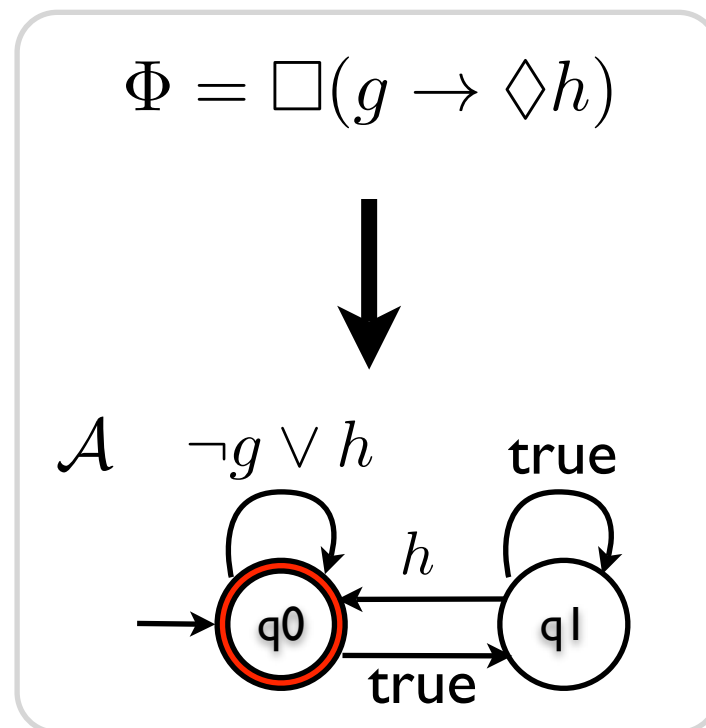
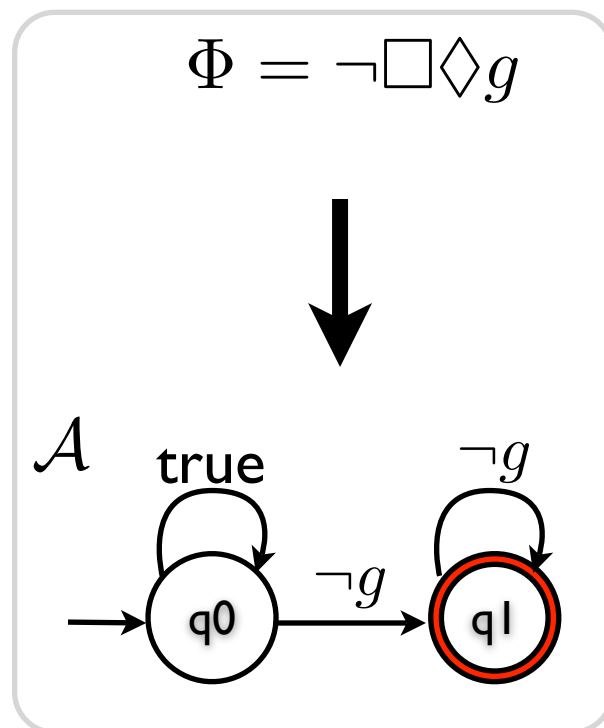
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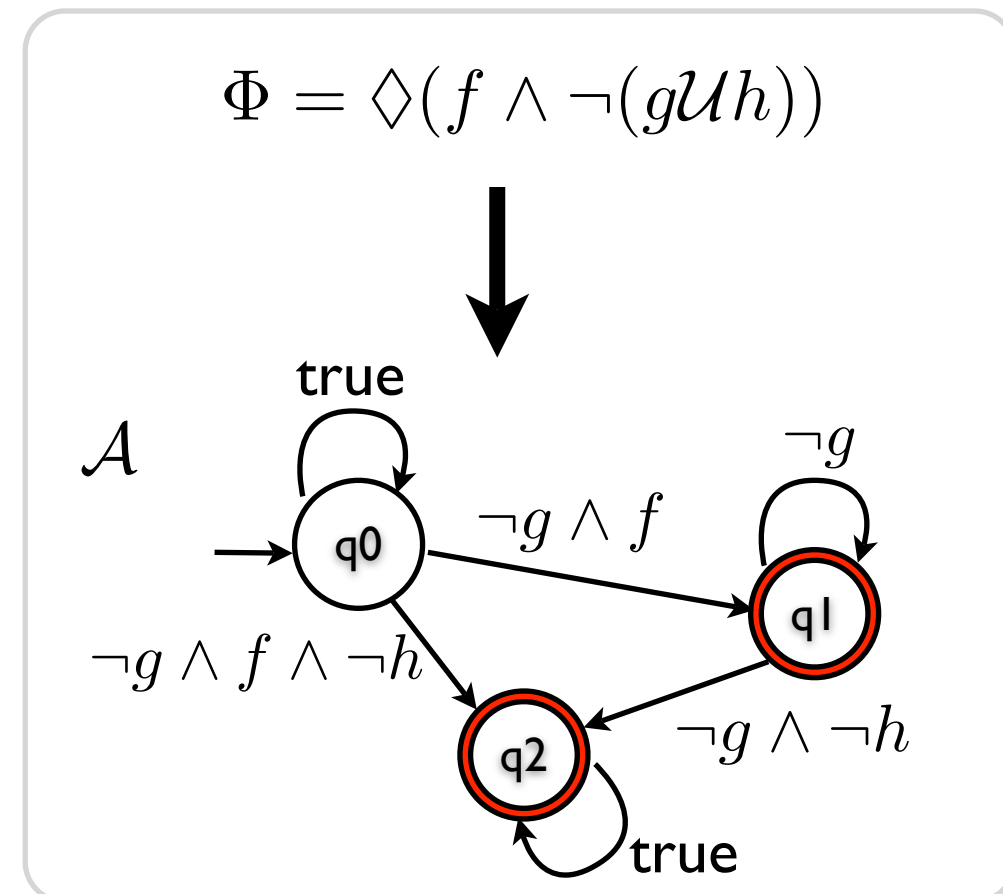
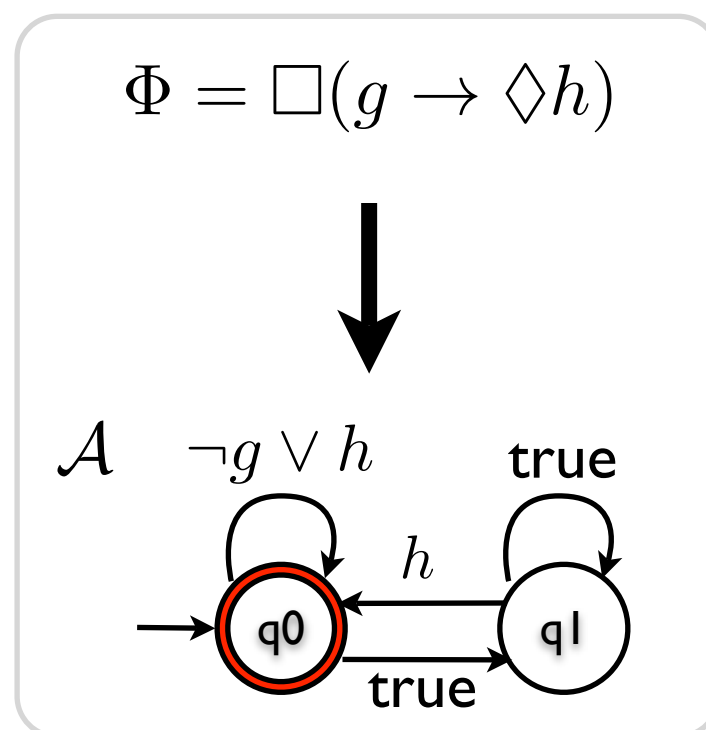
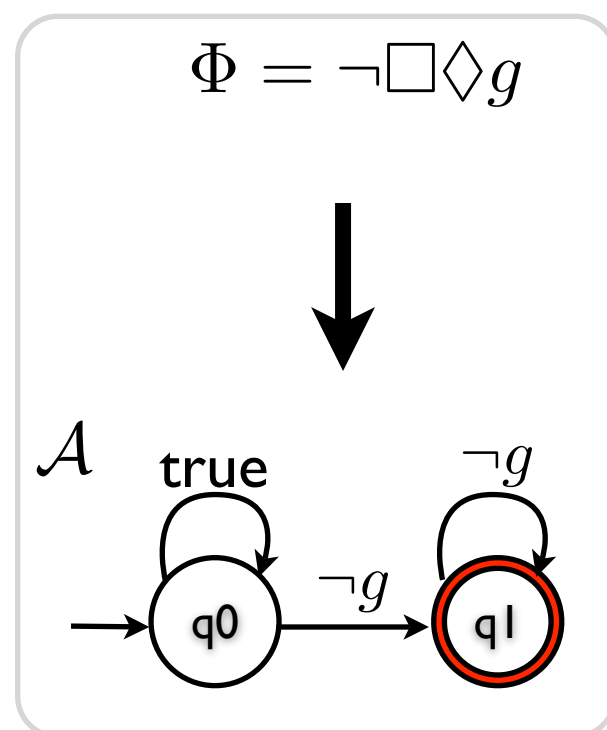
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A tool for constructing Buchi automata from LTL formulas: LTL2BA
[\[http://www.lsv.ens-cachan.fr/~gastin/ltl2ba/index.php\]](http://www.lsv.ens-cachan.fr/~gastin/ltl2ba/index.php)

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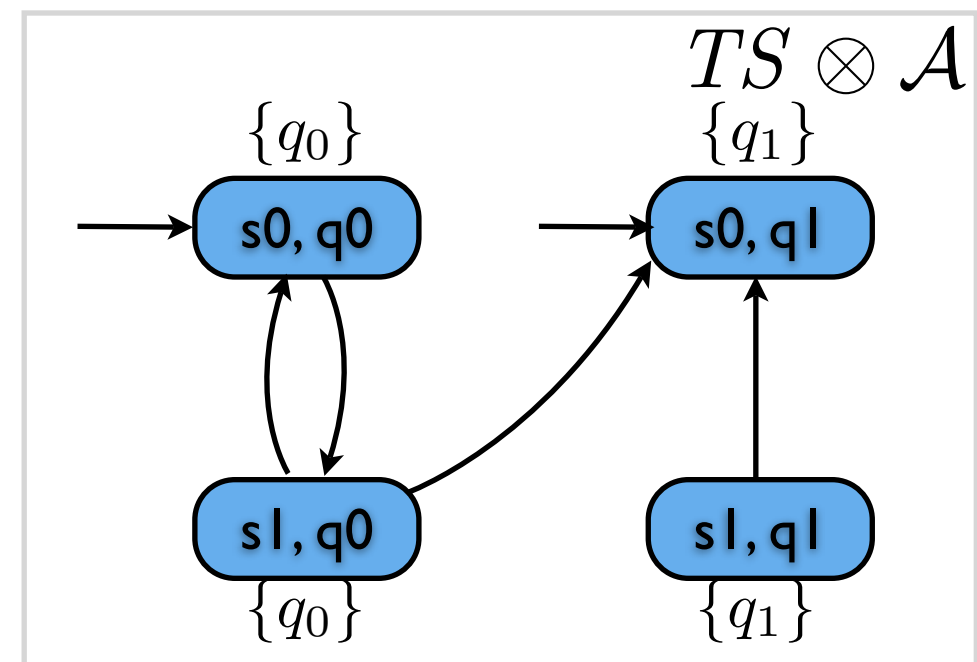
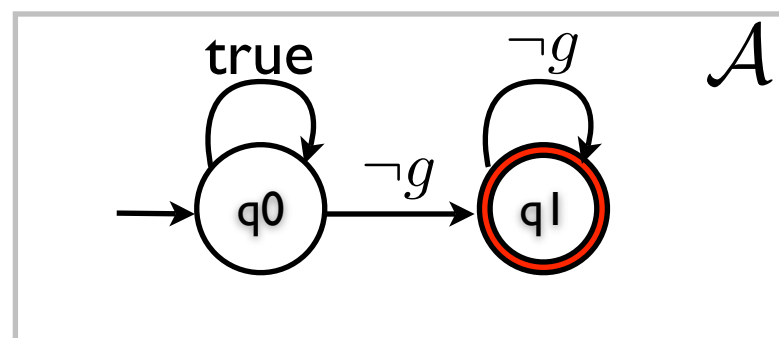
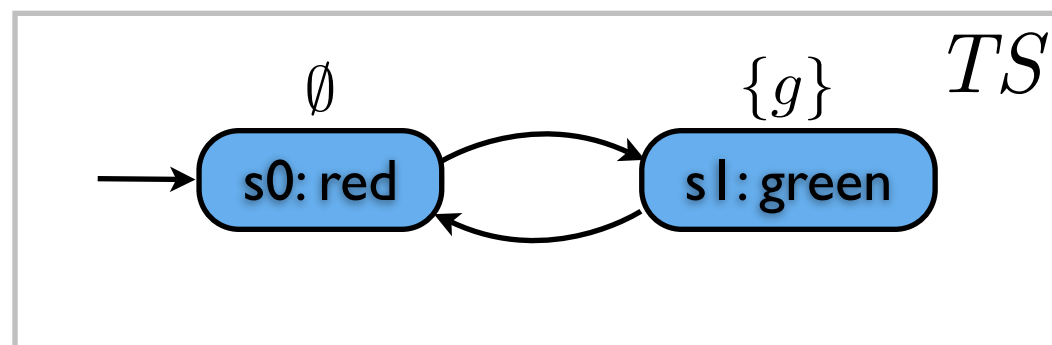
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Define the product automaton: $TS \otimes \mathcal{A} = (S', \text{Act}, \rightarrow', I', \text{AP}', L')$, where

- $S' = S \times Q$
- $\forall s, t \in S, q, p \in Q$ with $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} t$ and $q \xrightarrow{L(t)} p$, there exists $\langle s, q \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha'} \langle t, p \rangle$
- $I' = \{ \langle s_0, q \rangle : s_0 \in I \text{ and } \exists q_0 \in Q_0 \text{ s.t. } q_0 \xrightarrow{L(s_0)} q \}$
- $\text{AP}' = Q$
- $L' : S \times Q \rightarrow 2^Q$ and $L'(\langle s, q \rangle) = \{q\}$



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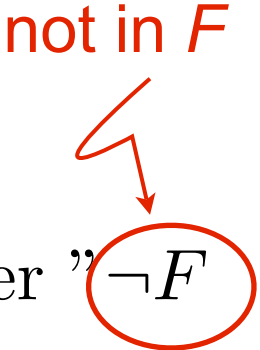
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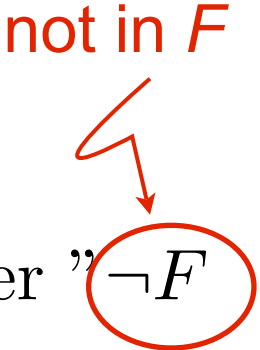


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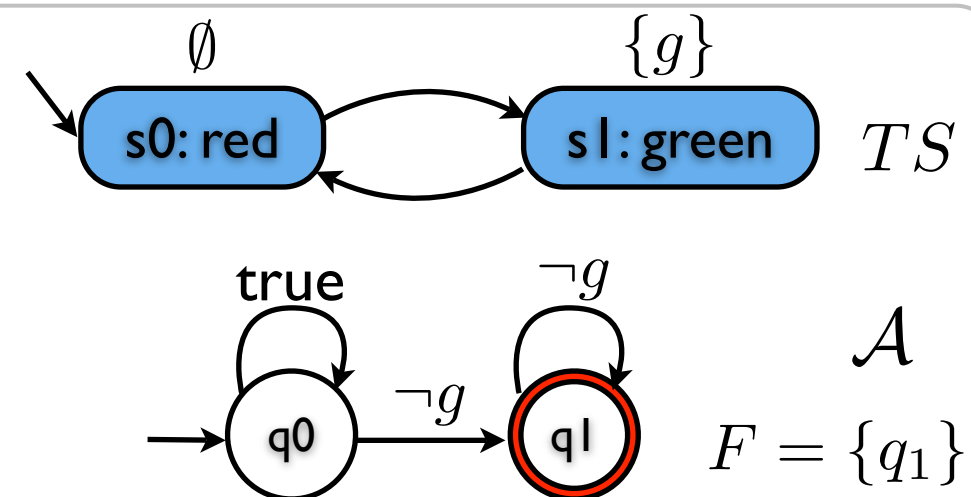
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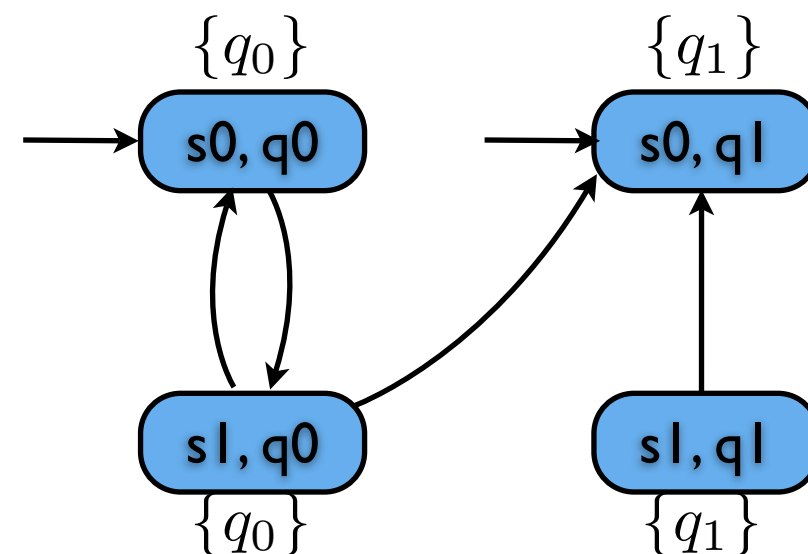
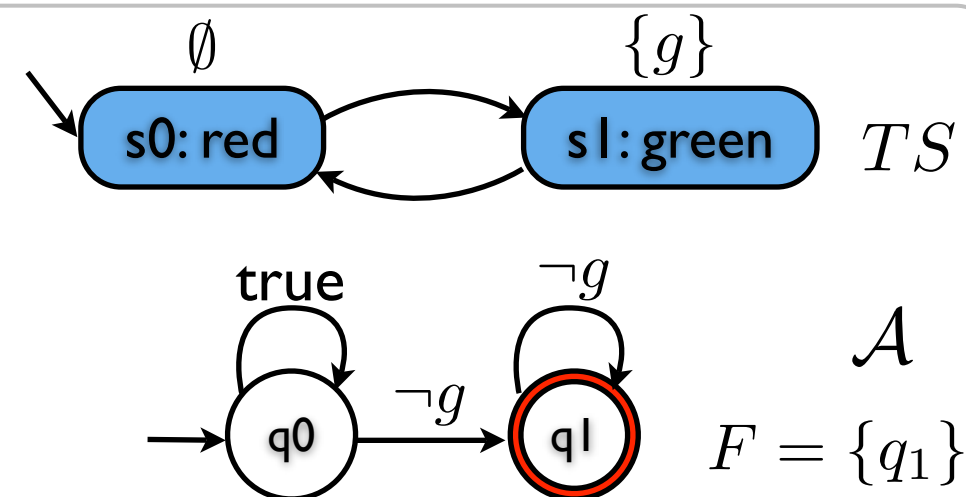
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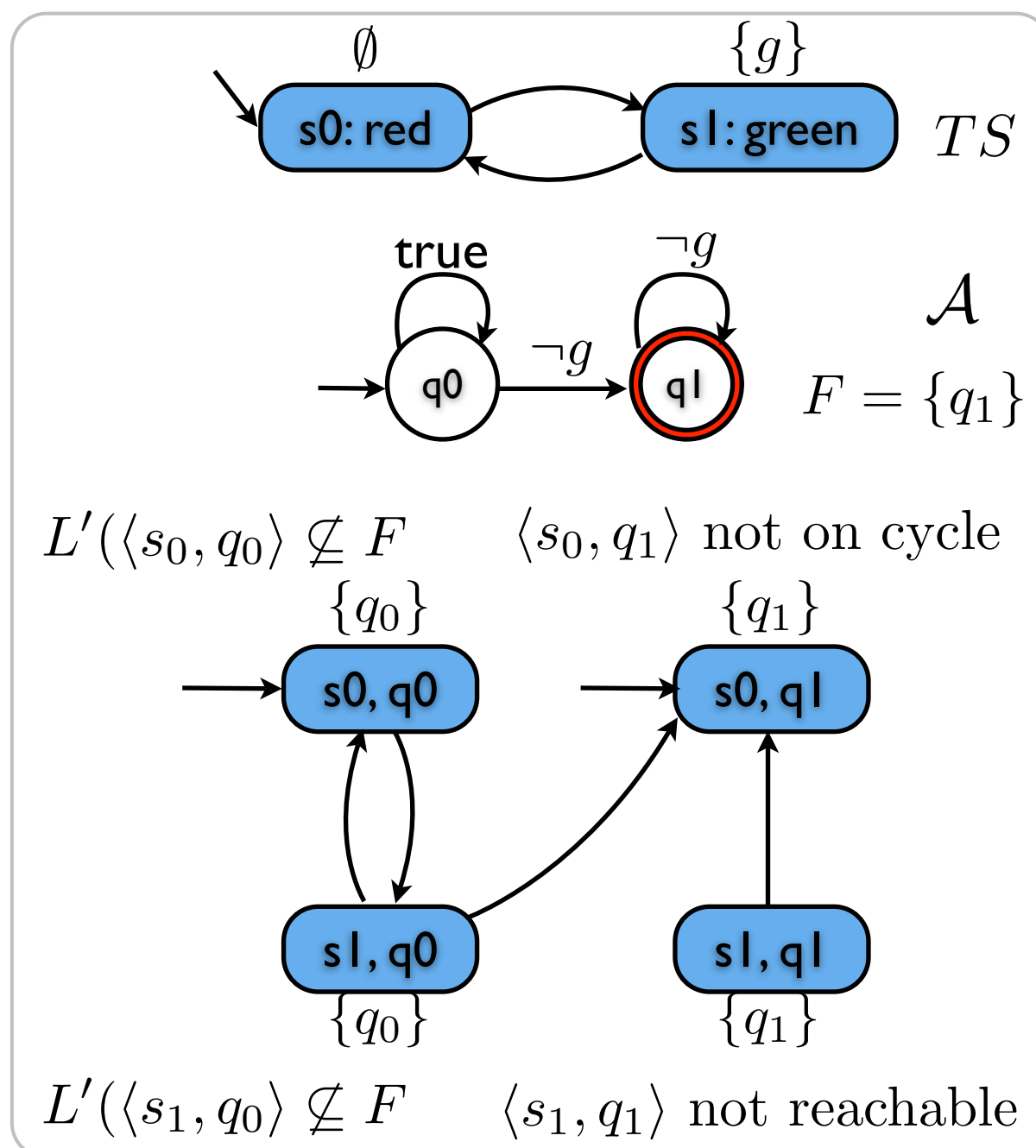
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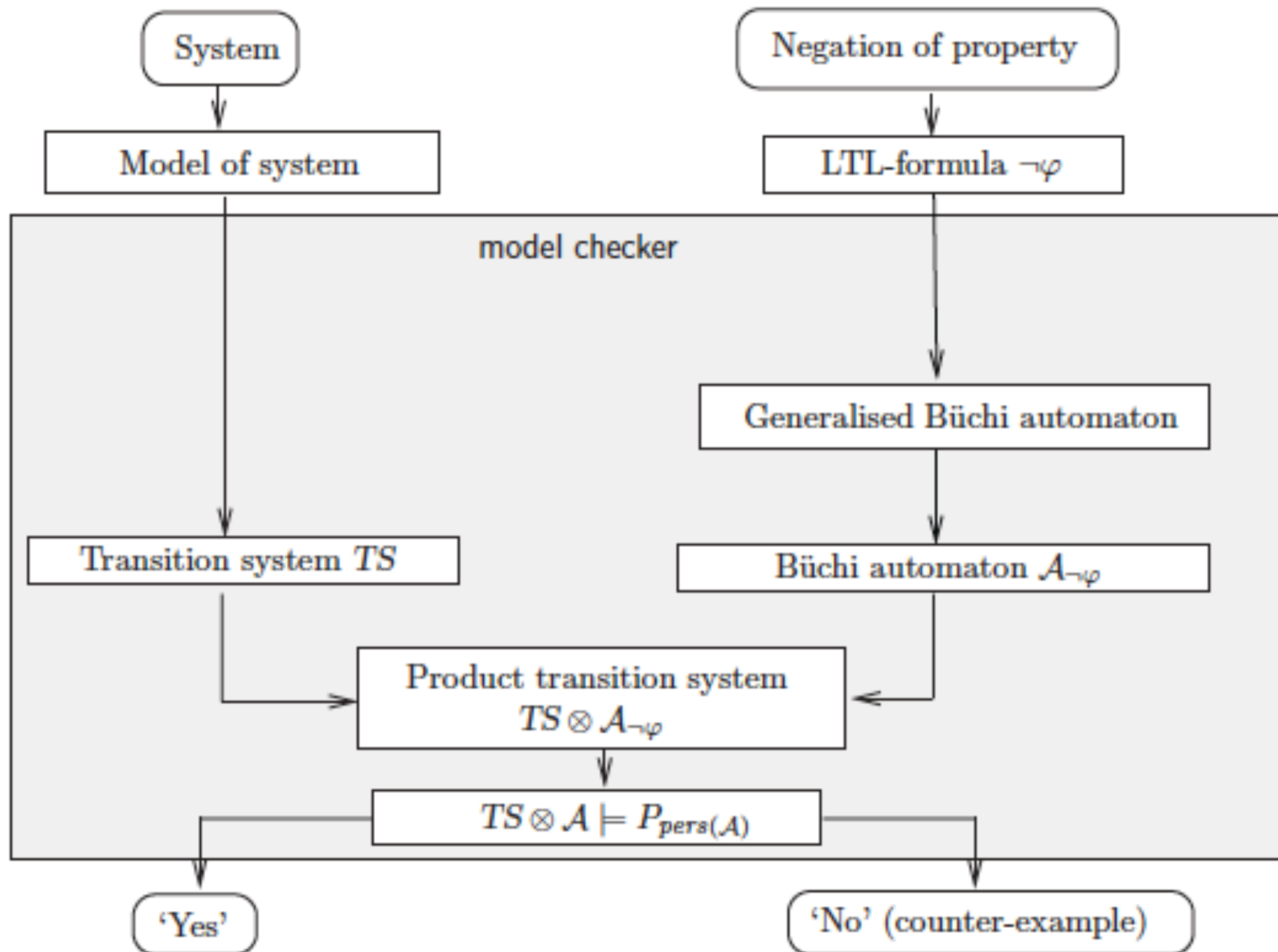
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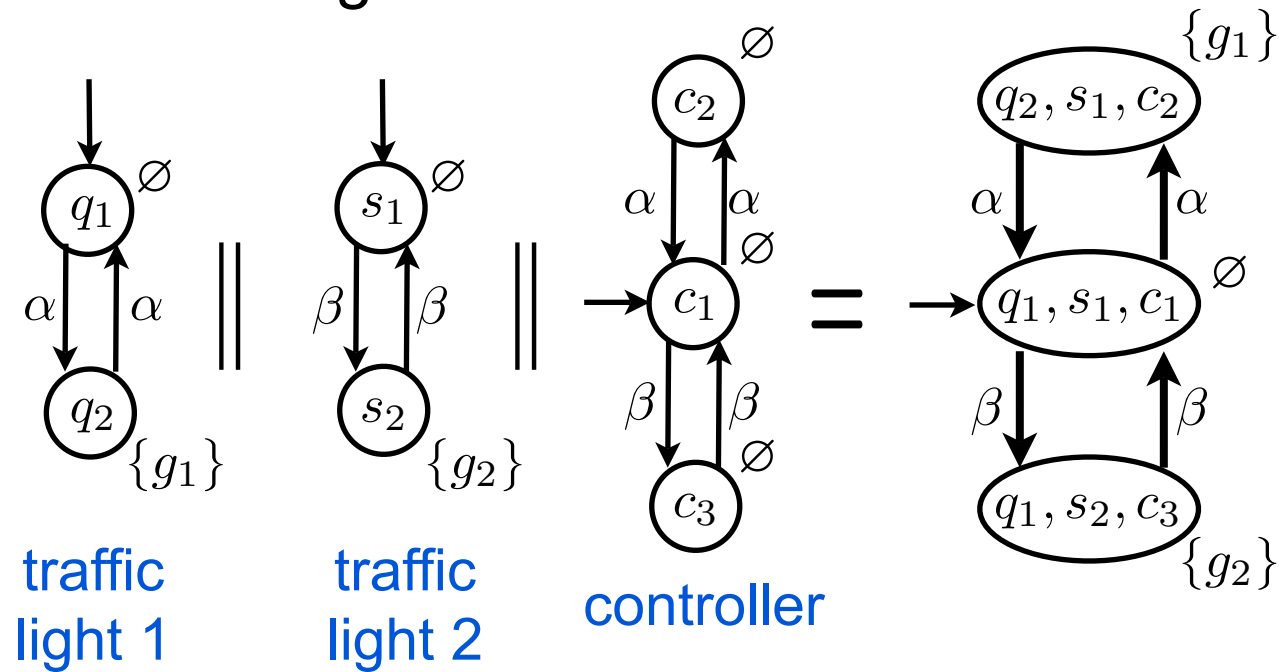
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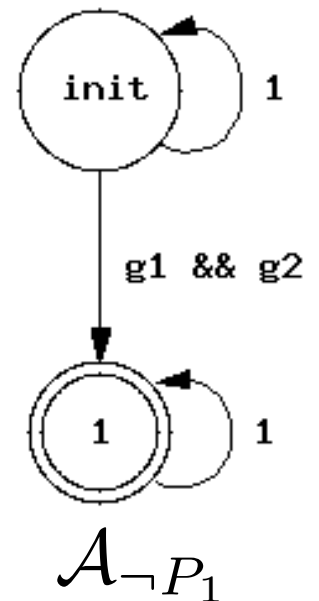
Efficient model checking tools automate the process: **SPIN**, nuSMV, TLC,...

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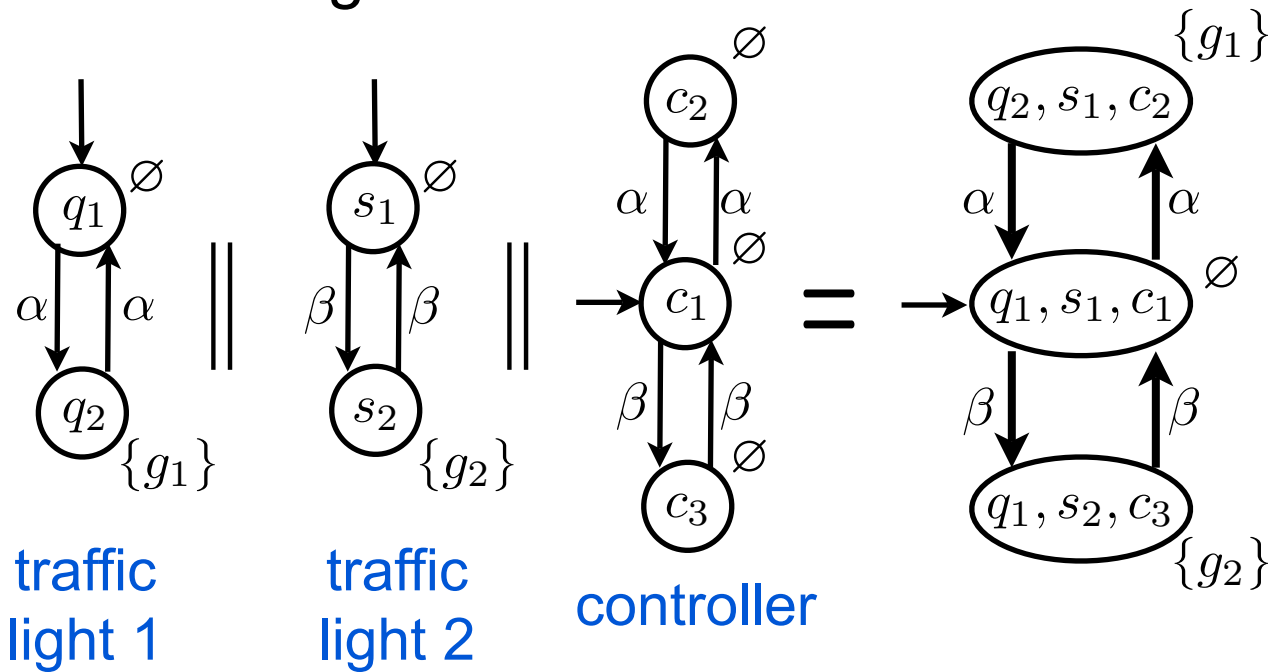


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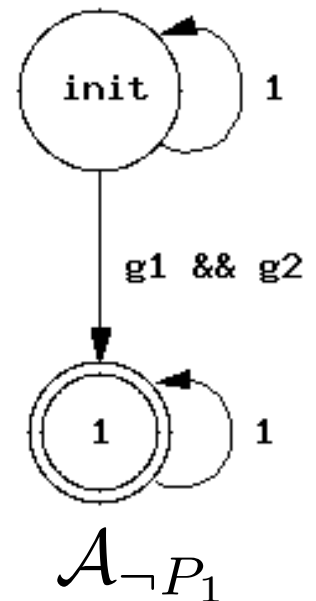


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SPIN code:

System model (synchronous composition of the modules):

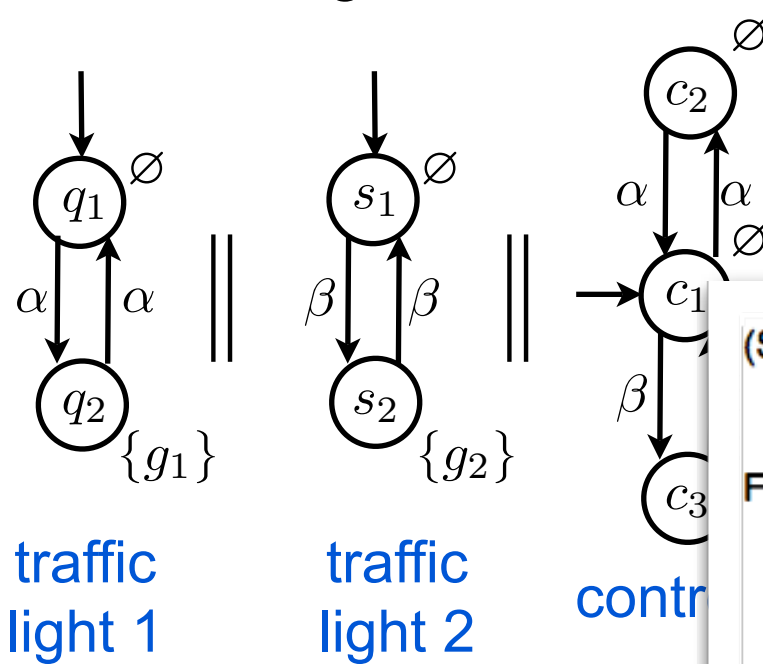
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$\mathcal{A}_{\neg P_1}$ from LTL2BA:

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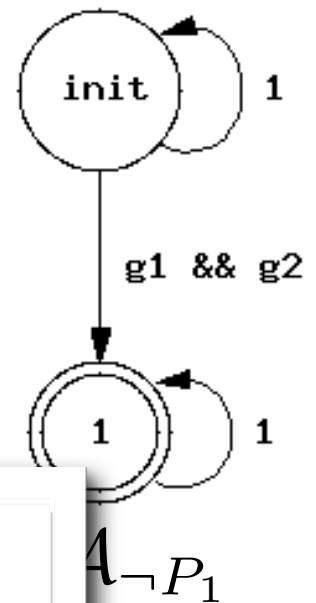
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(Spin Version 6.1.0 -- 4 May 2011)
+ Partial Order Reduction

Full state space search for:

never claim + (never_0)
assertion violations + (if within scope of claim)
acceptance cycles + (fairness disabled)
invalid end states - (disabled by never claim)

State-vector 28 byte, depth reached 3, errors: 0

3 states, stored
2 states, matched
5 transitions (= stored+matched)
0 atomic steps

hash conflicts: 0 (resolved)

Stats on memory usage (in Megabytes):

0.000 equivalent memory usage for states (stored*(State-vector + overhead))
0.289 actual memory usage for states (unsuccessful compression: 180519.05%)
state-vector as stored = 101063 byte + 28 byte overhead
4.000 memory used for hash table (-w19)
0.534 memory used for DFS stack (-m10000)
4.730 total actual memory usage

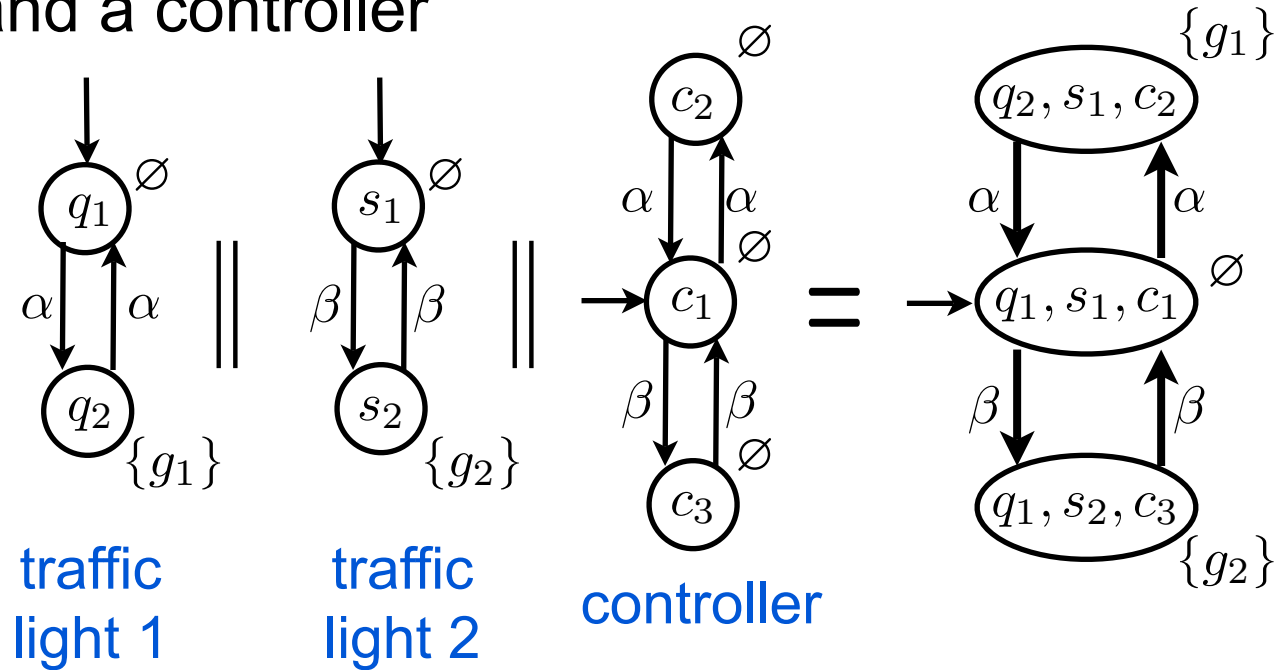
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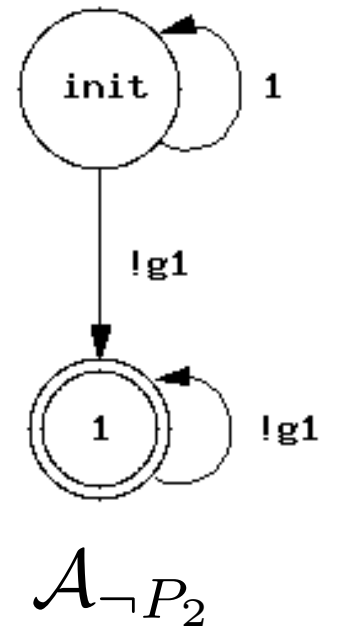
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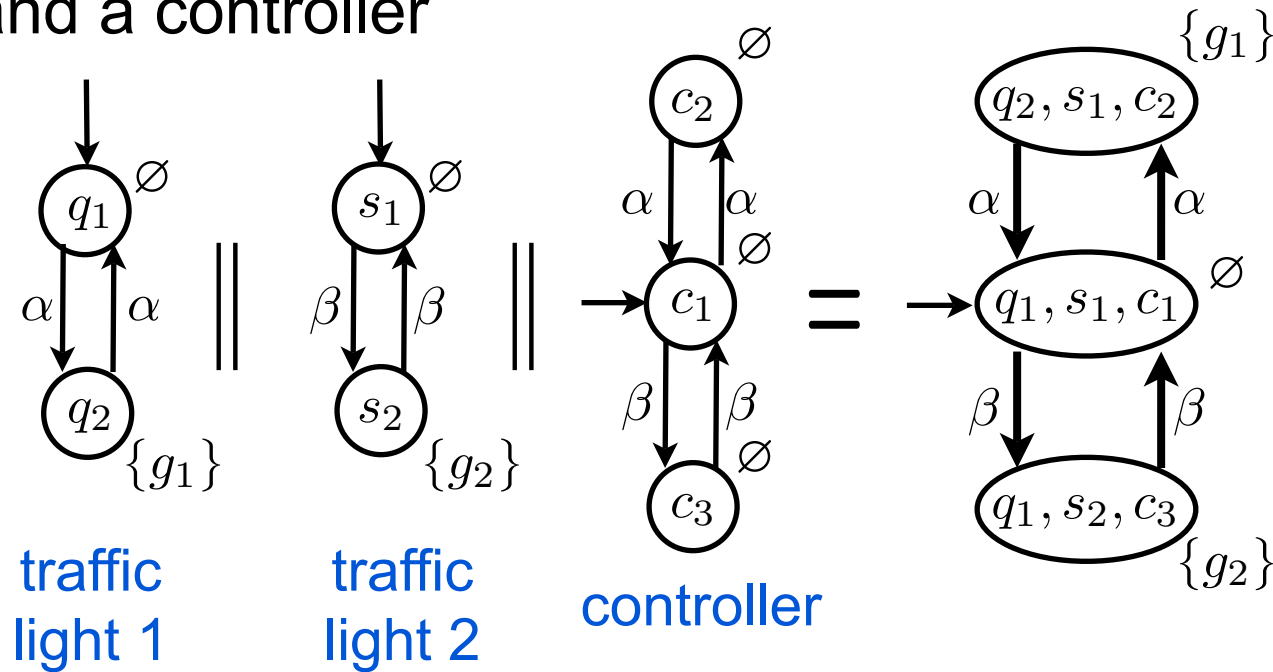
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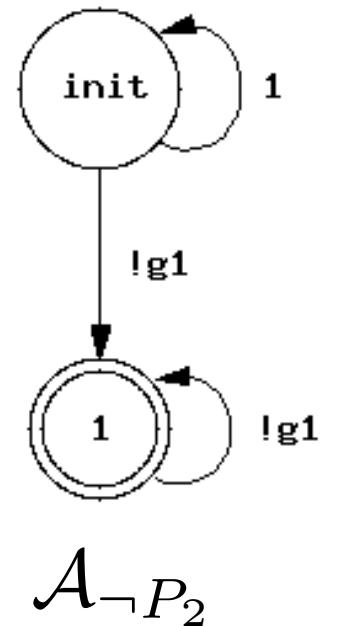
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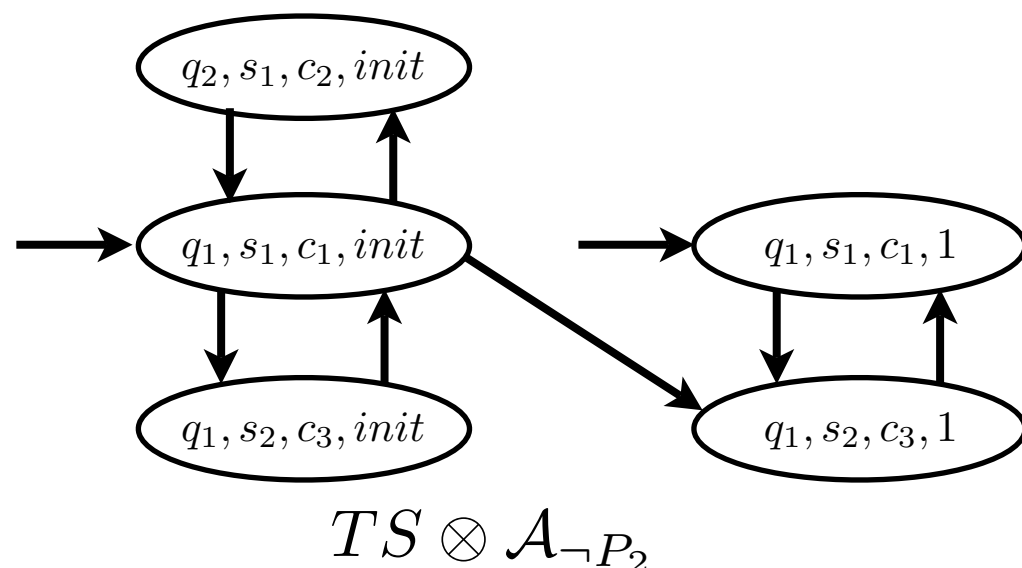
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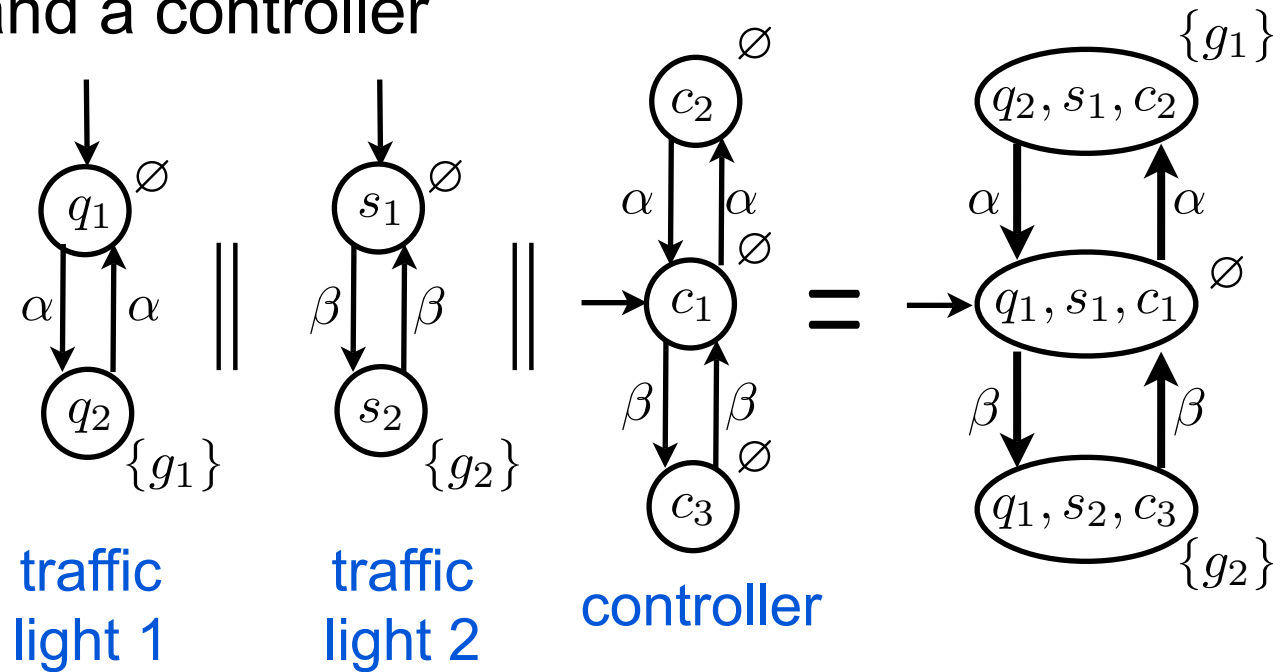
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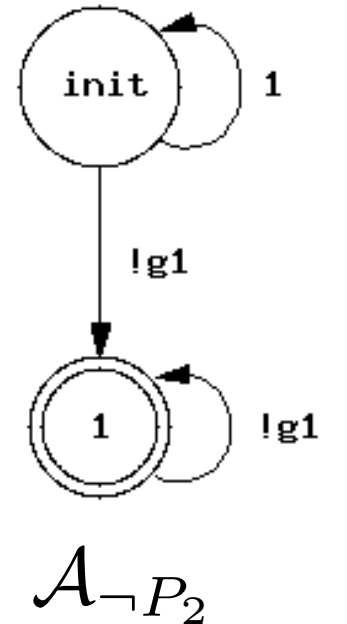
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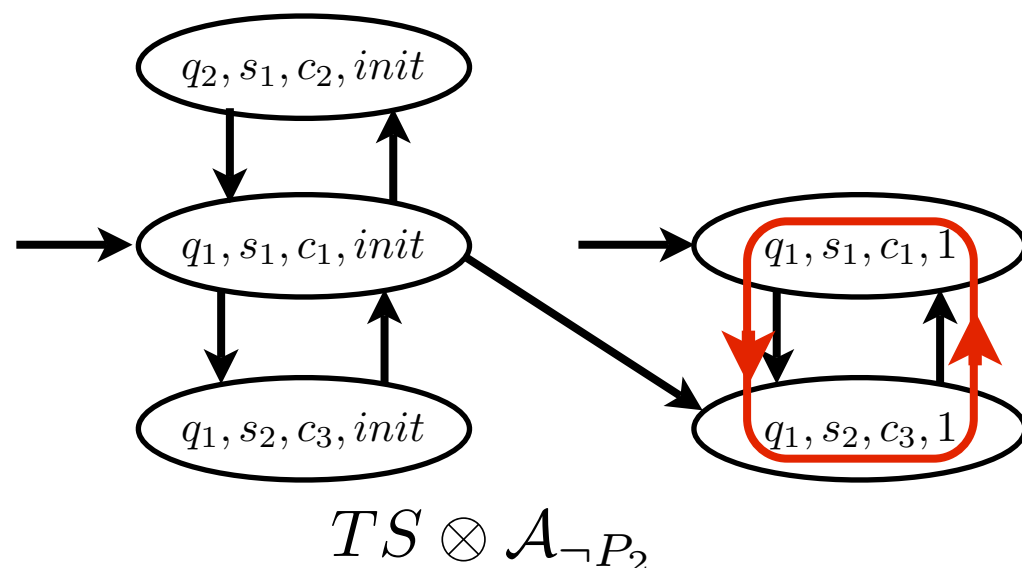
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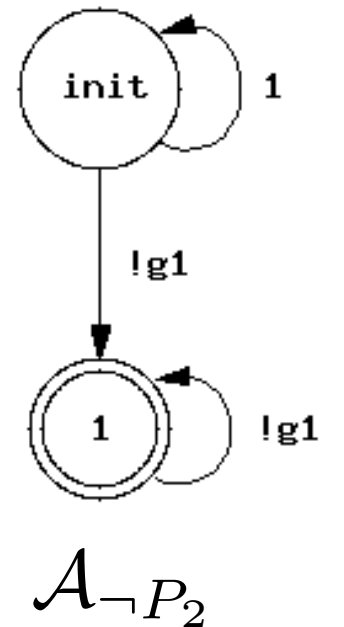
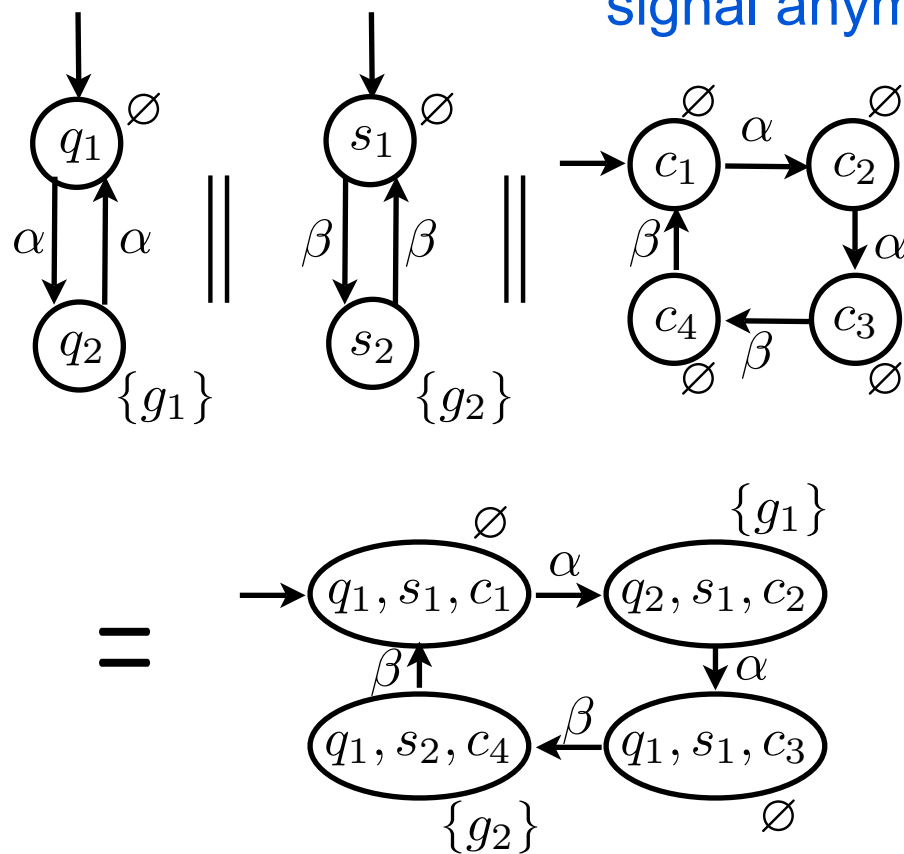
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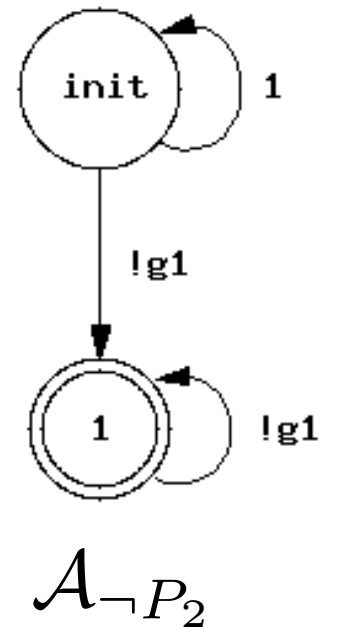


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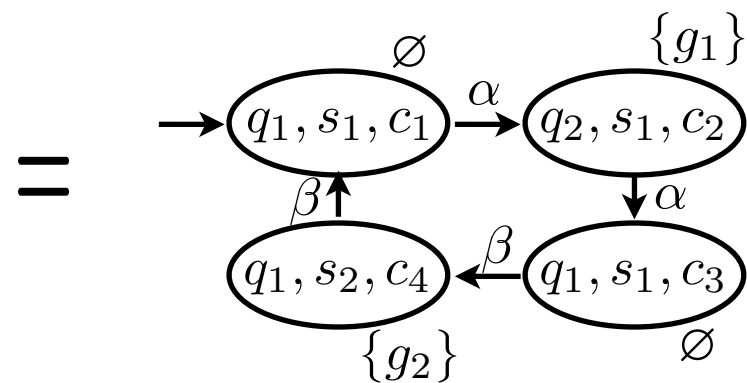
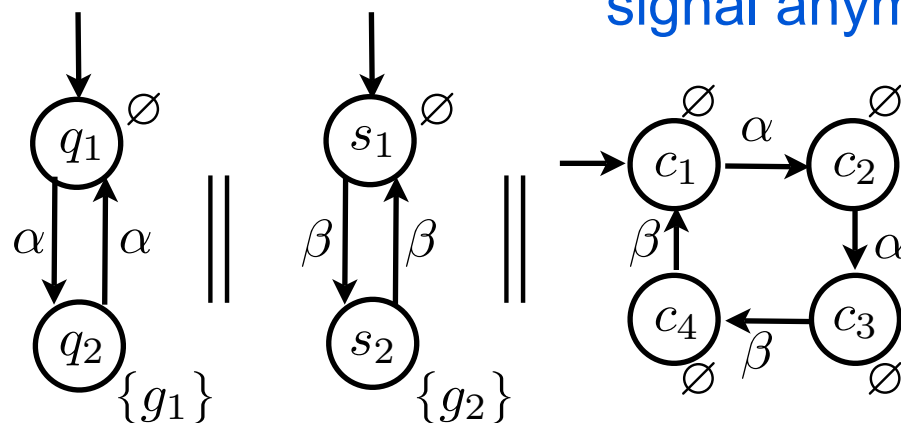
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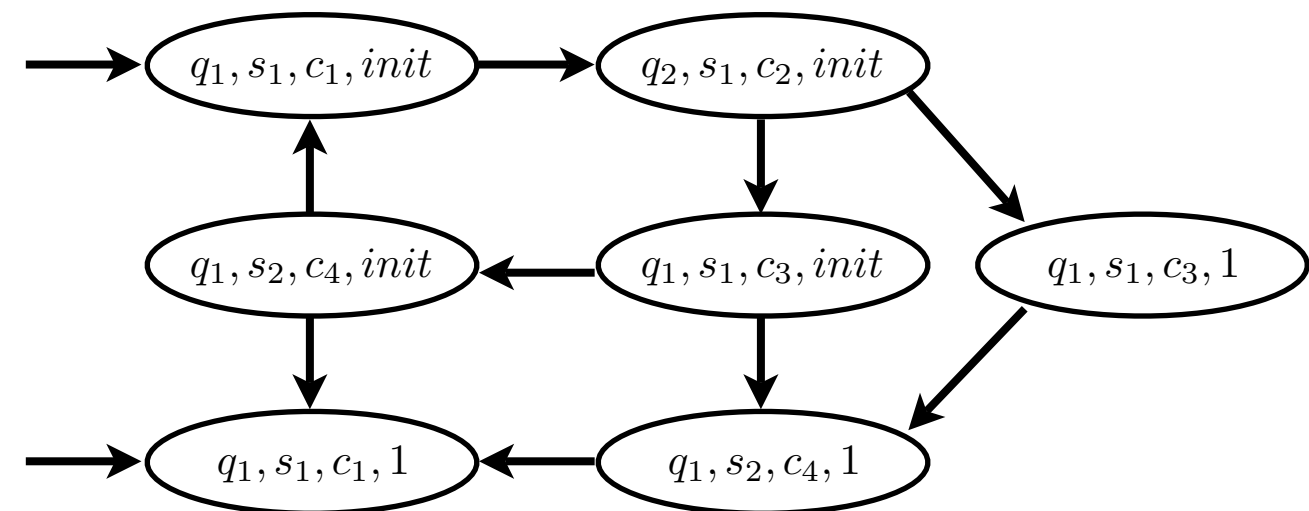


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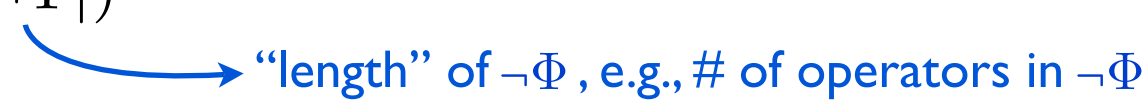
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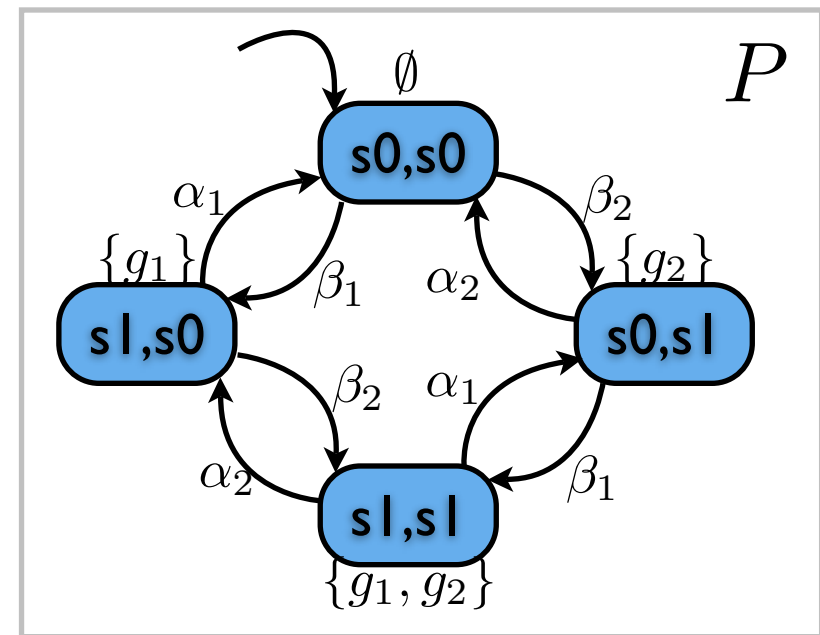
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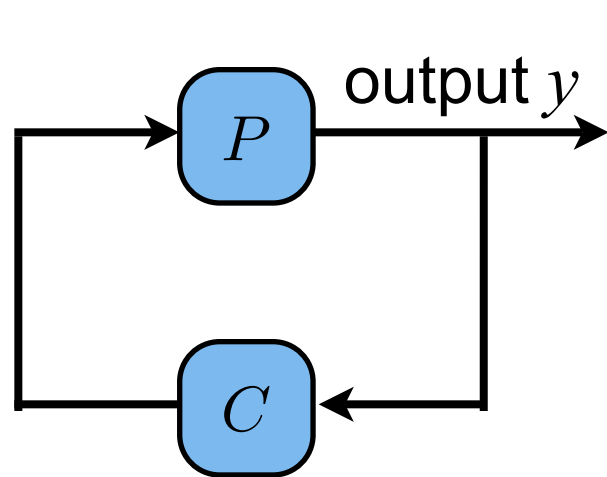
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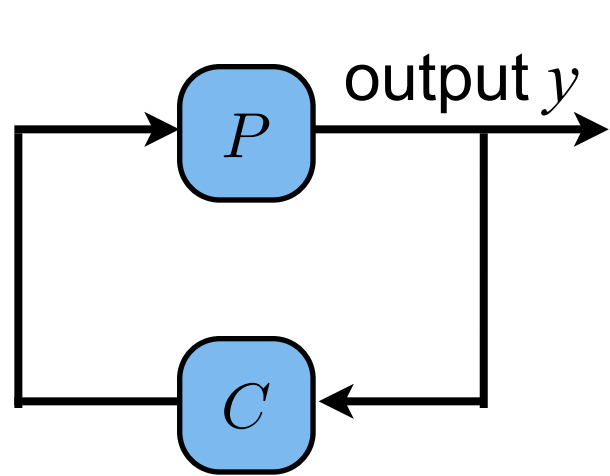
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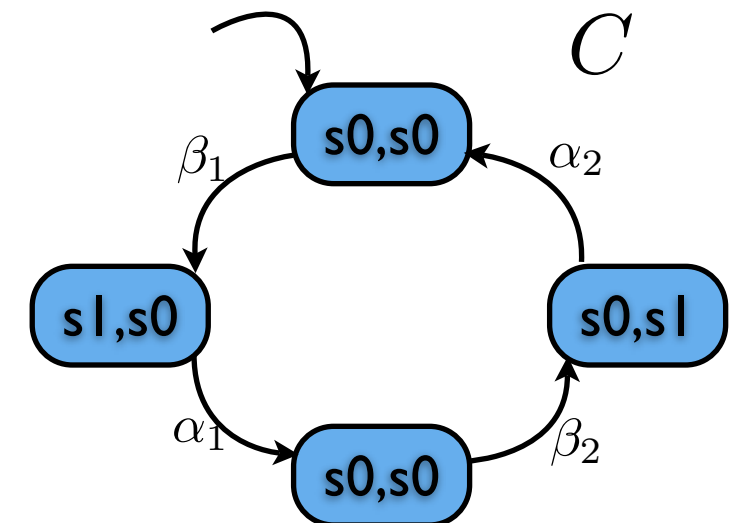
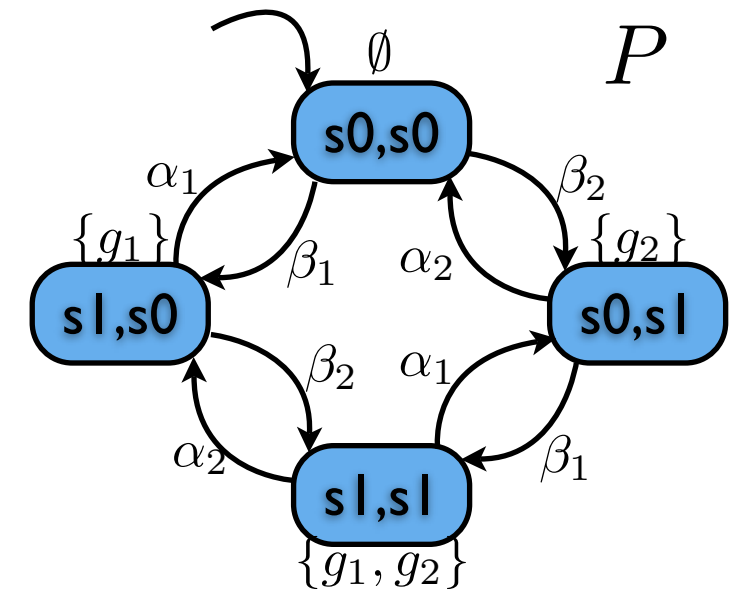
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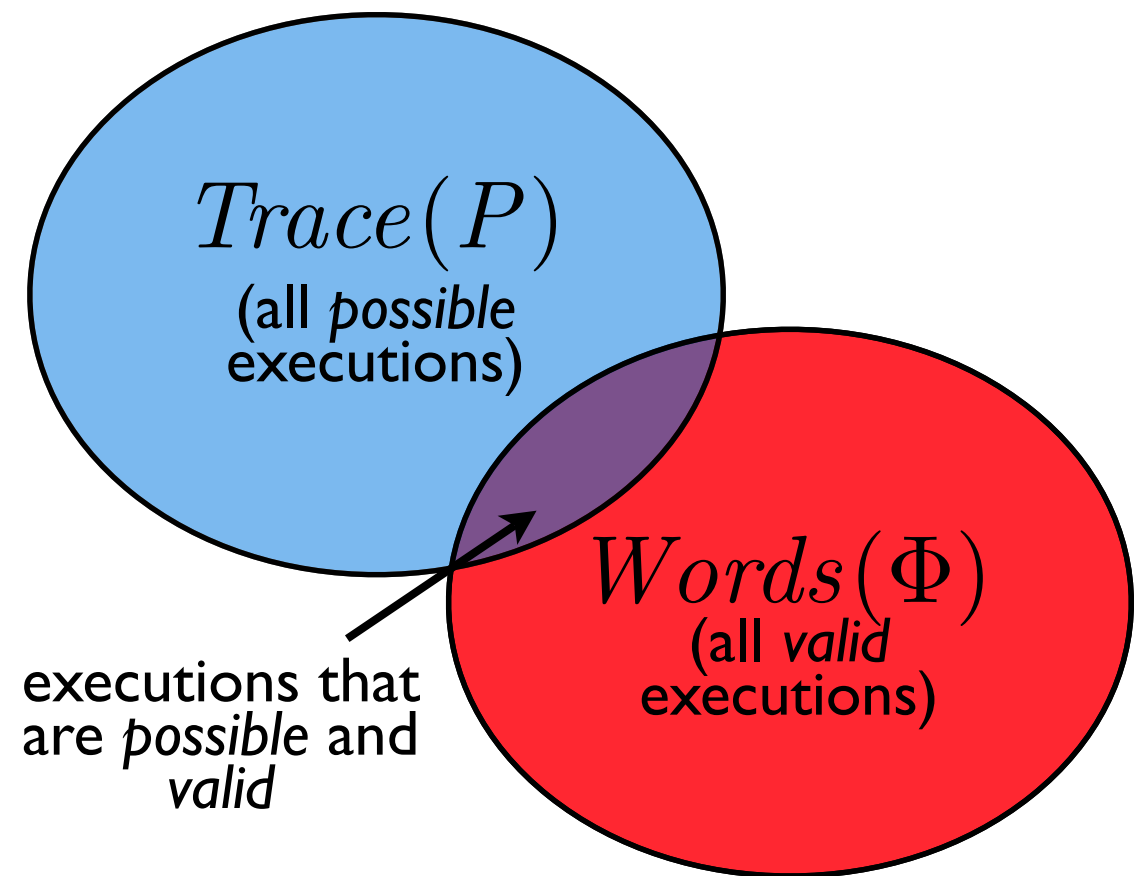
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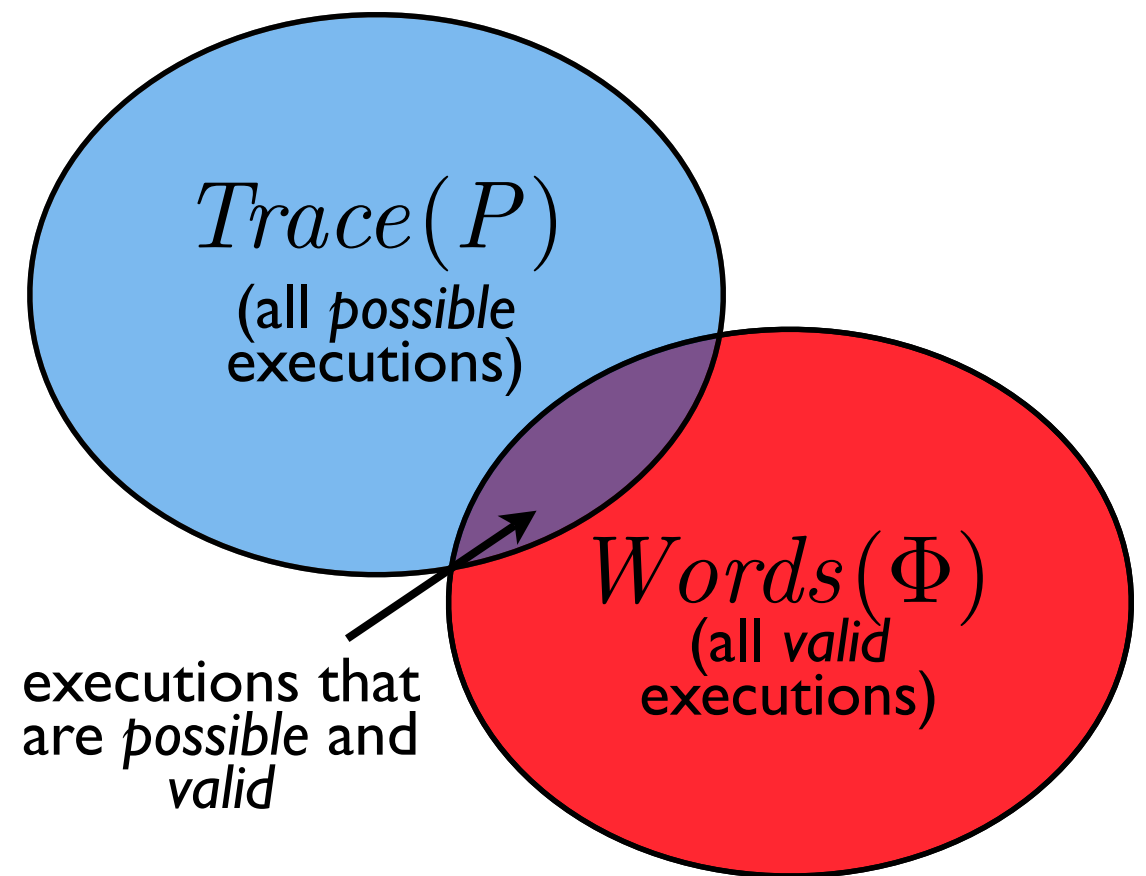
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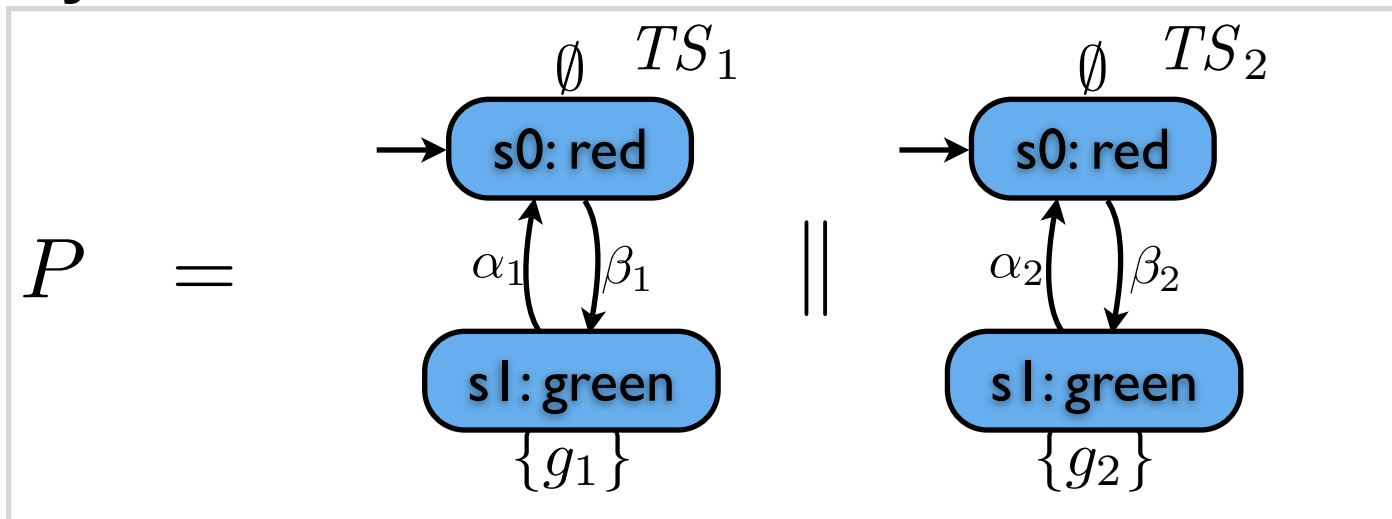
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- A counterexample provided in case of negative result is a path π of P that satisfies Φ
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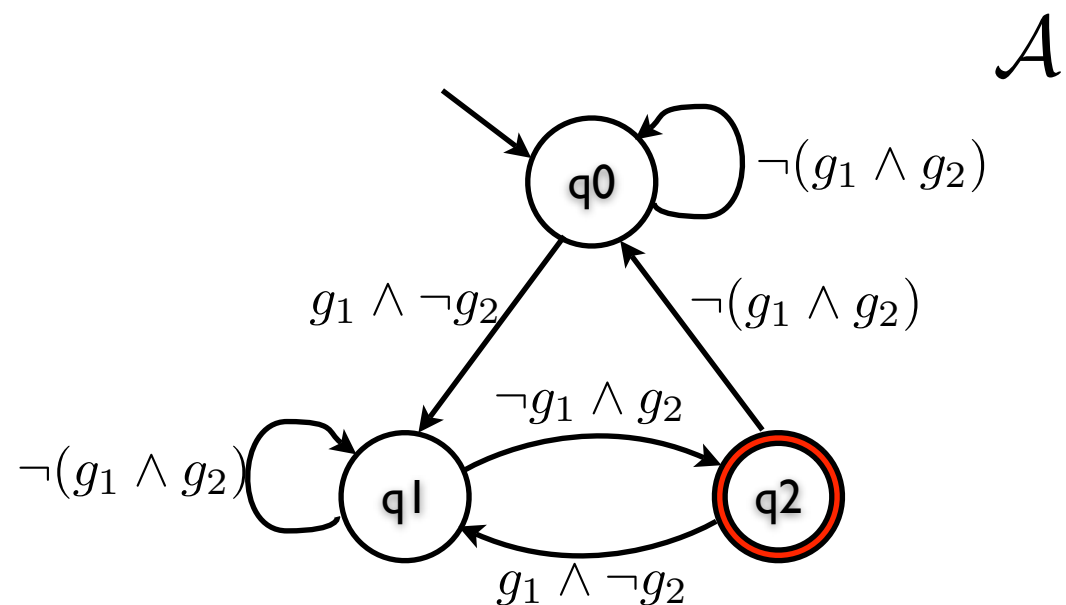
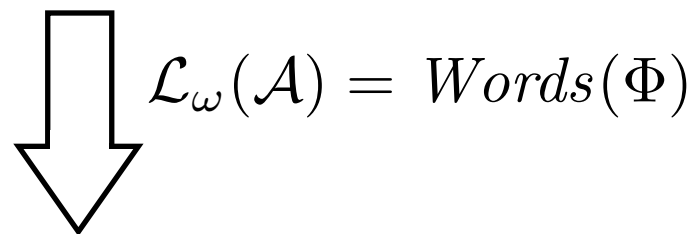
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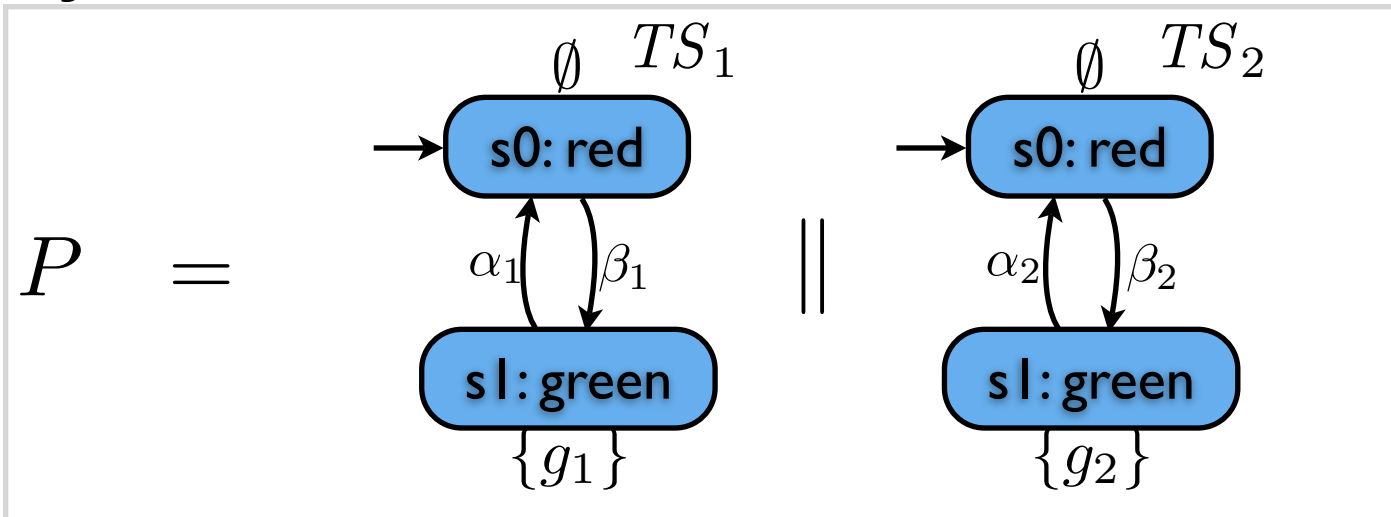
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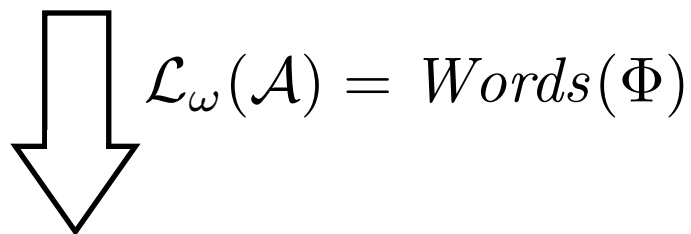
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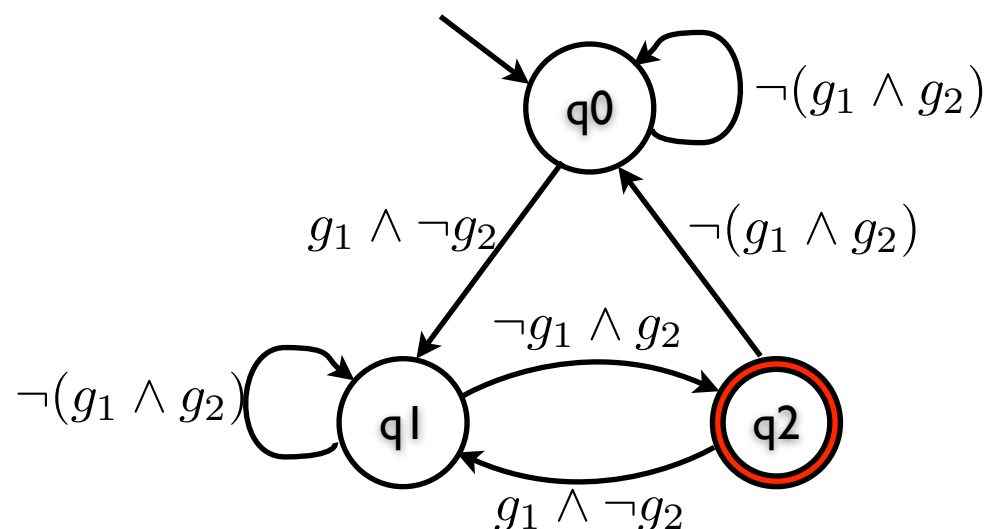


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SPIN code:

System model (**asynchronous** composition):

```
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:: atomic{ g1 == 1 -> g1 = 0 }
od
}

active proctype TL2() {
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```

Automaton from LTL2BA:

```
T0_init:
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:: (g1 && !g2) -> goto T1_S1
fi;

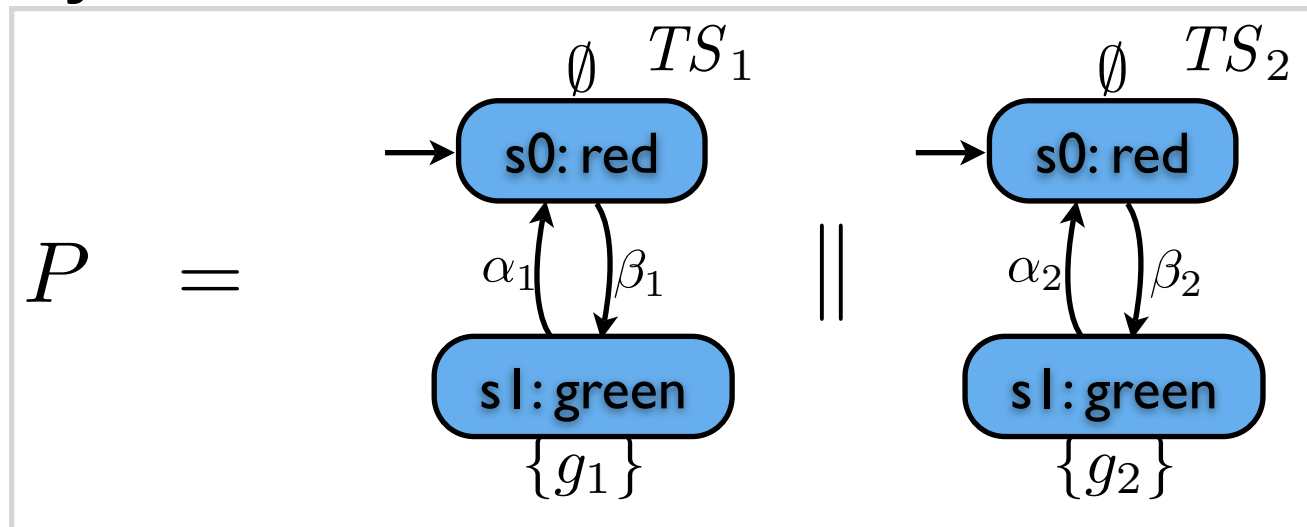
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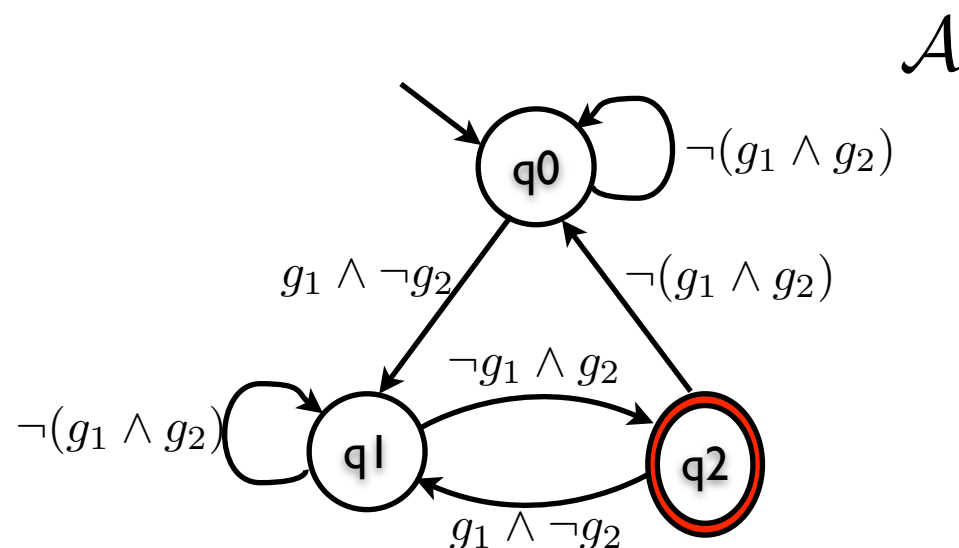
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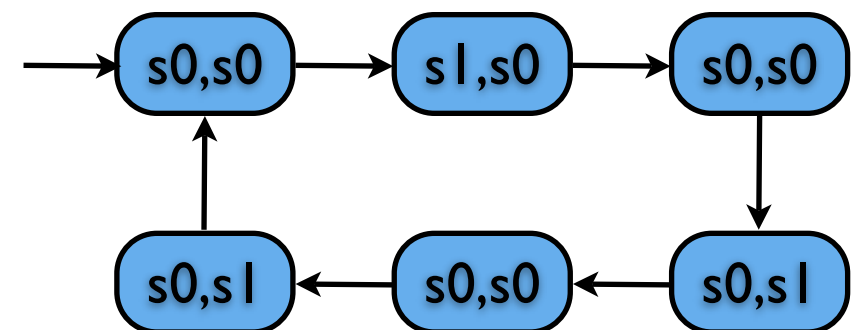
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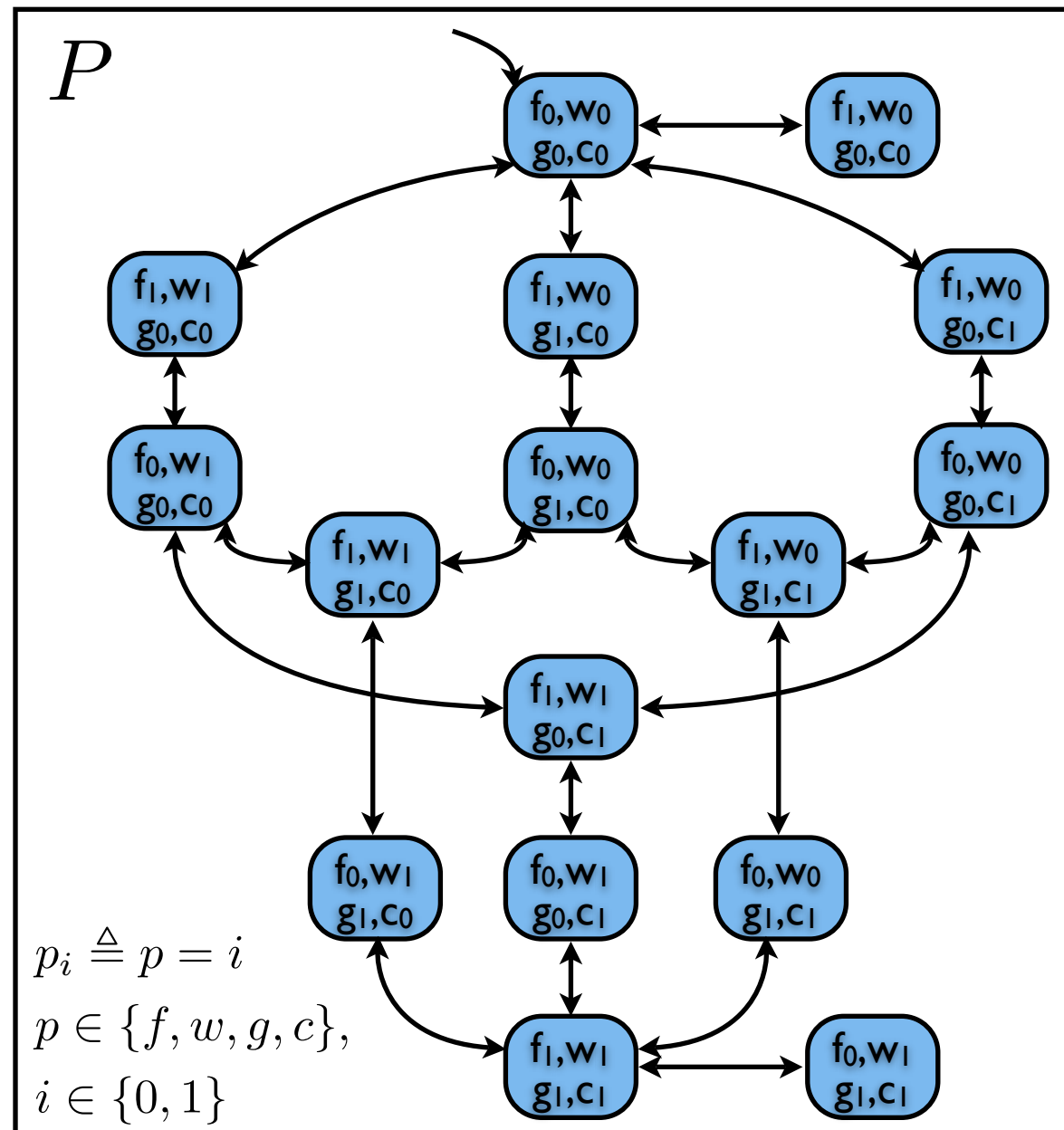
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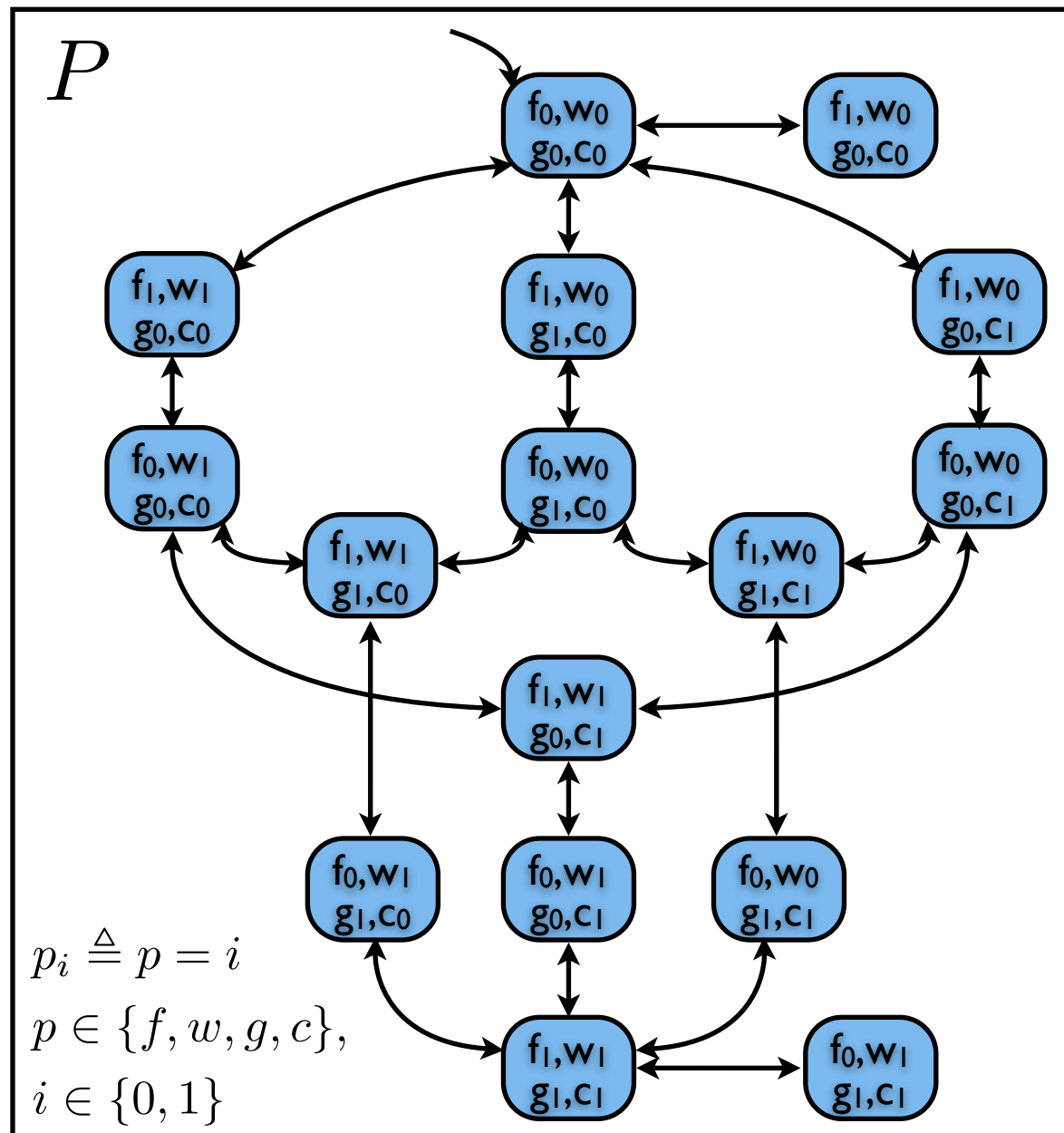
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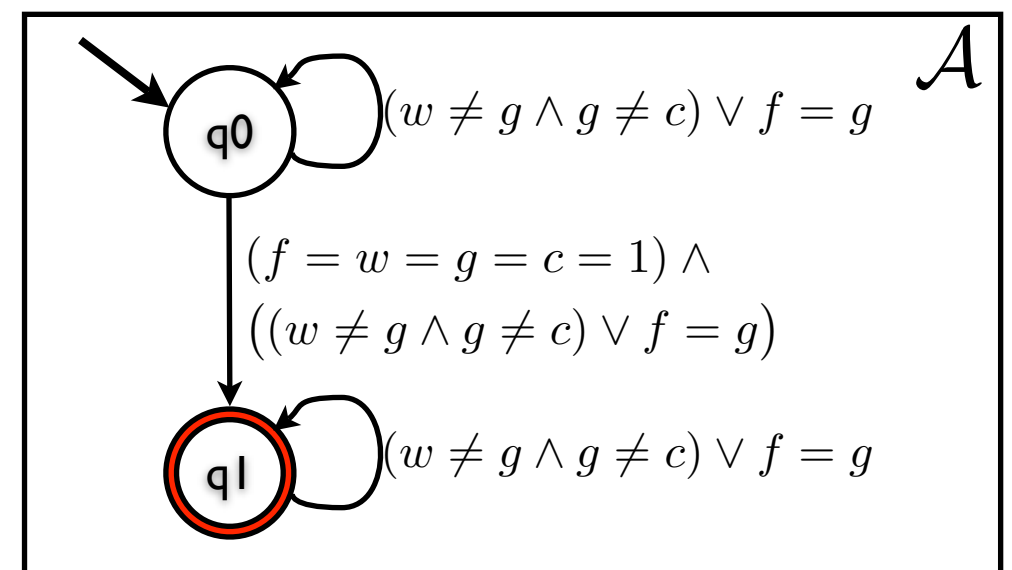


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The diagram shows four arrows pointing from the code to descriptive text on the right:

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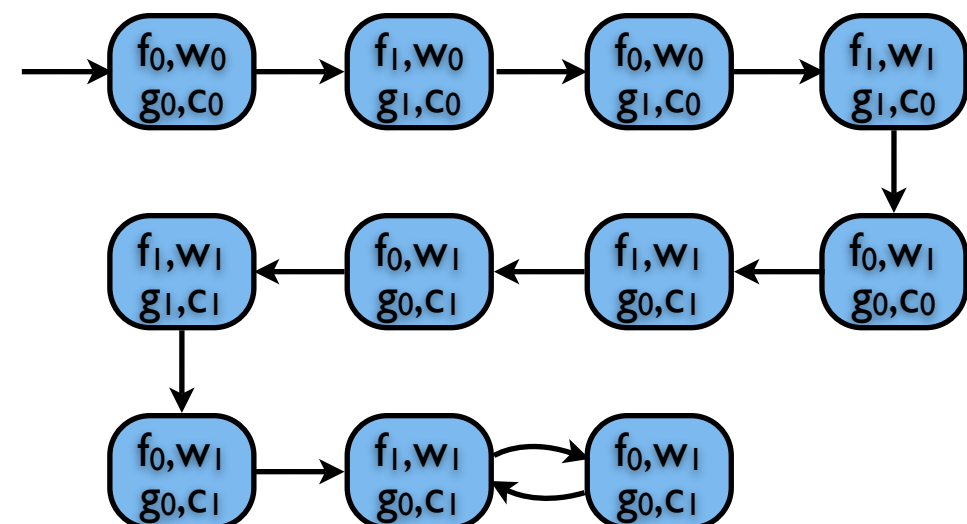
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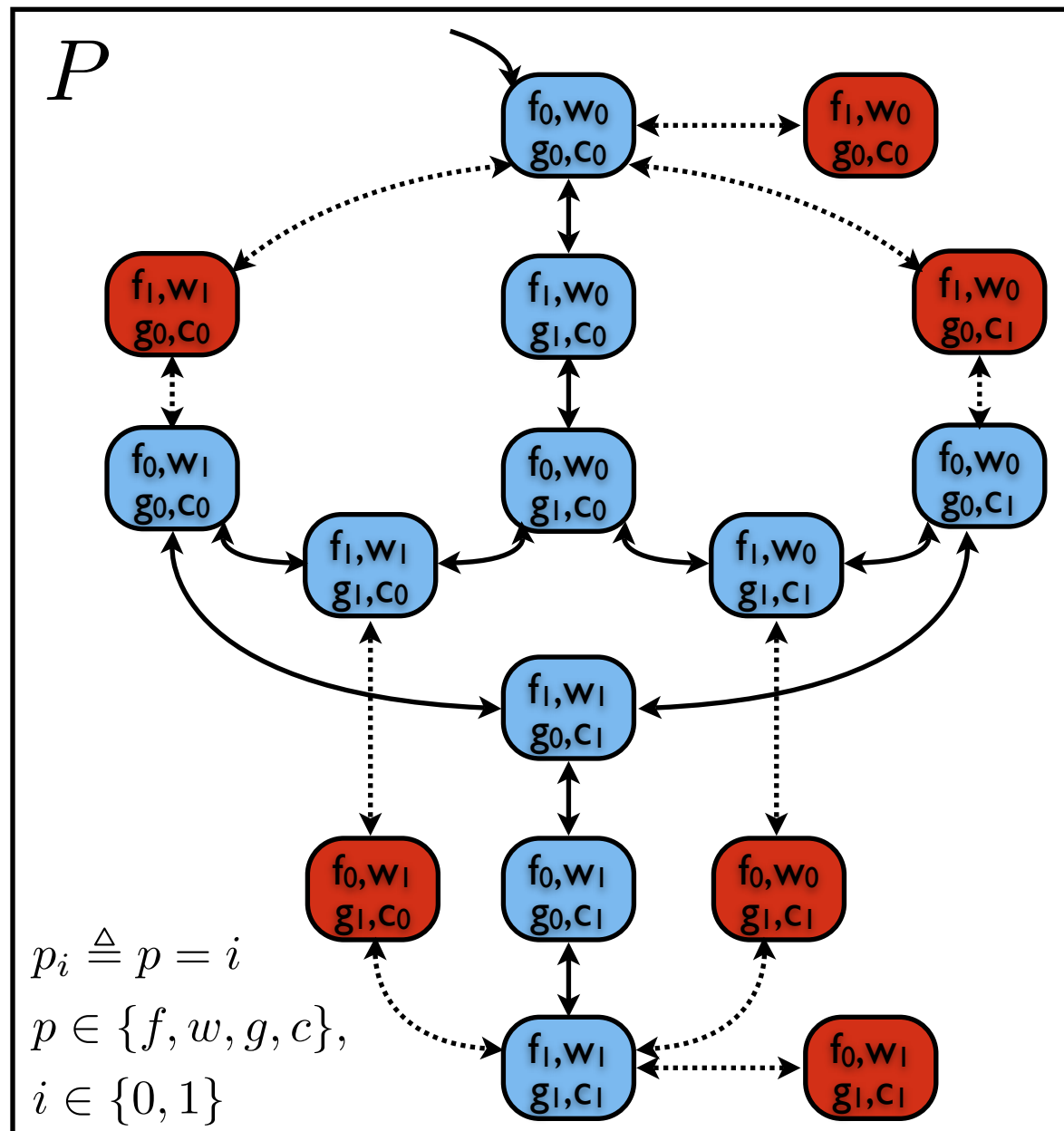
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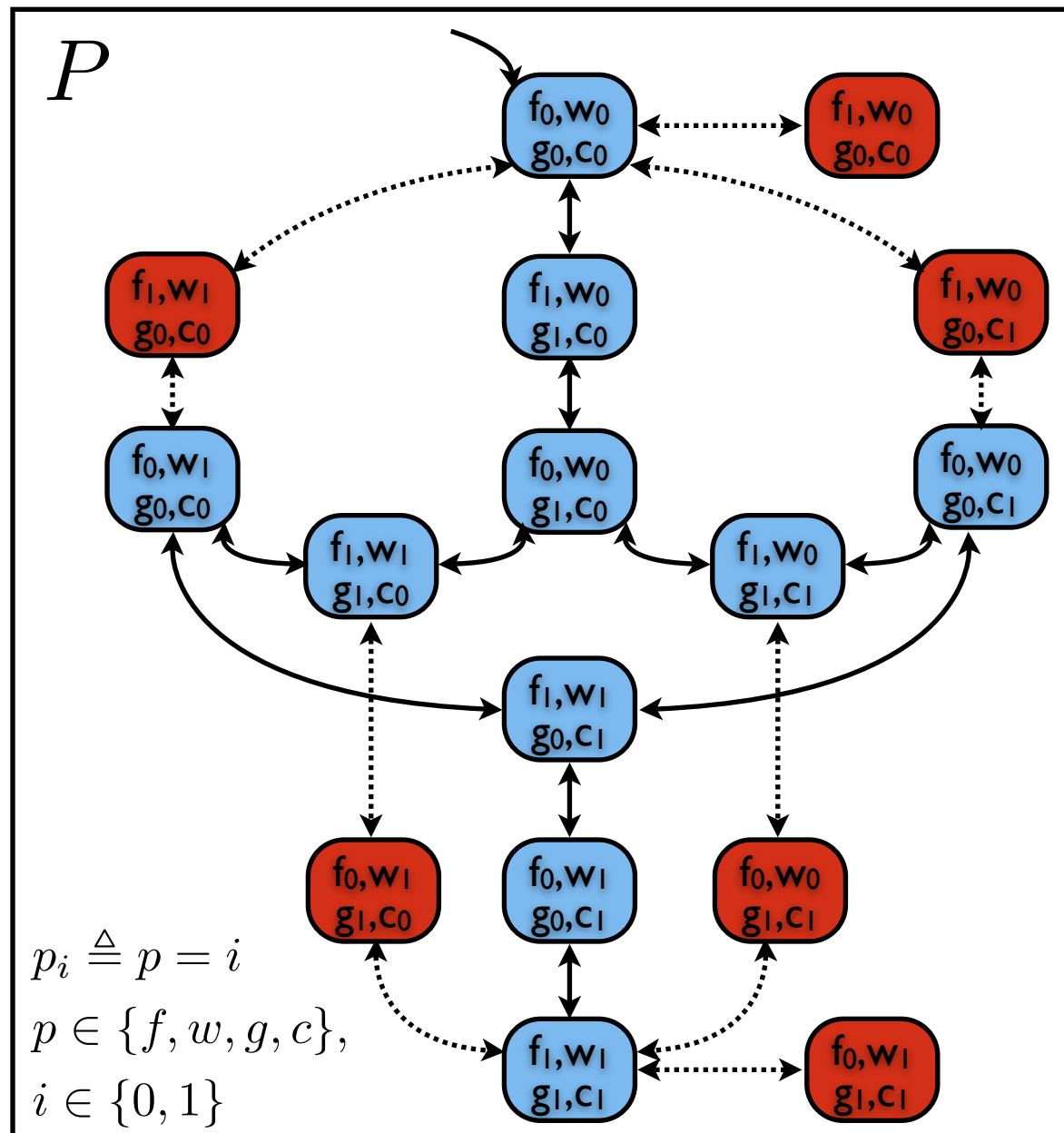
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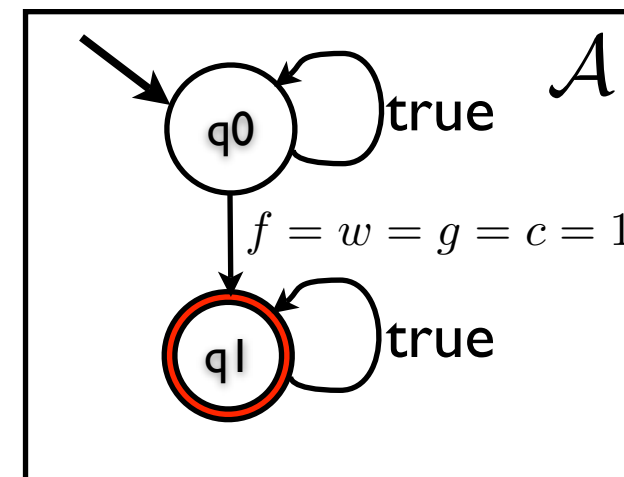
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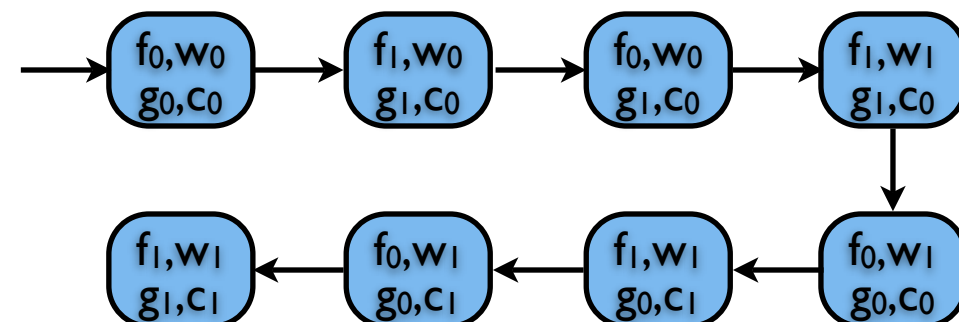
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Example: frog puzzle

Find a way to send all the yellow frogs to the right hand side of the pond and send all the brown frogs to the left hand side.

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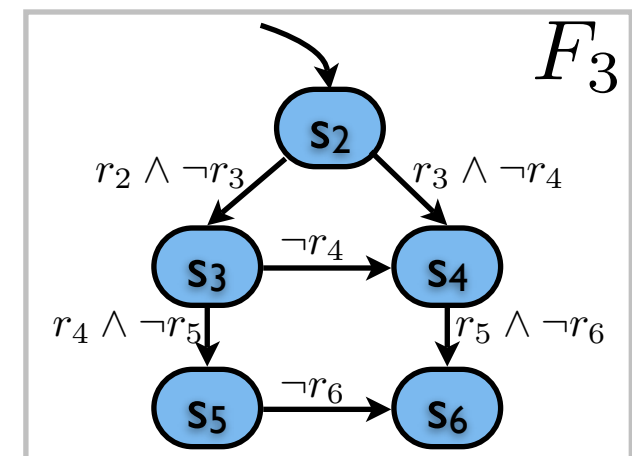
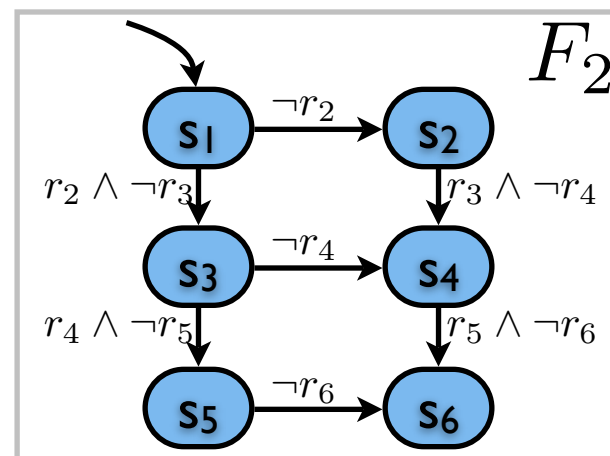
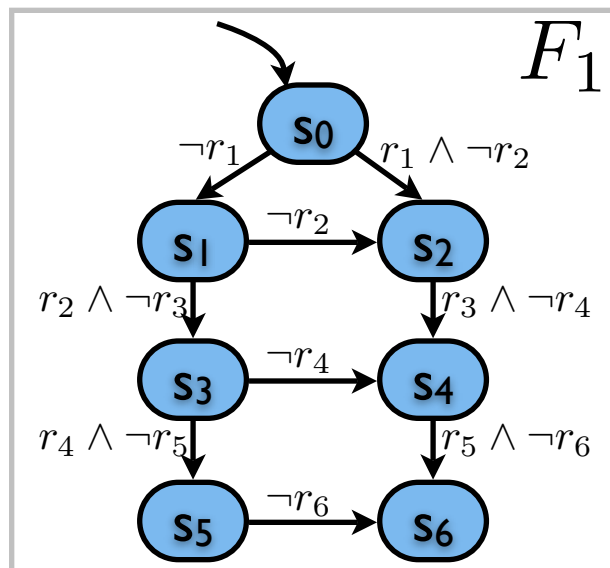
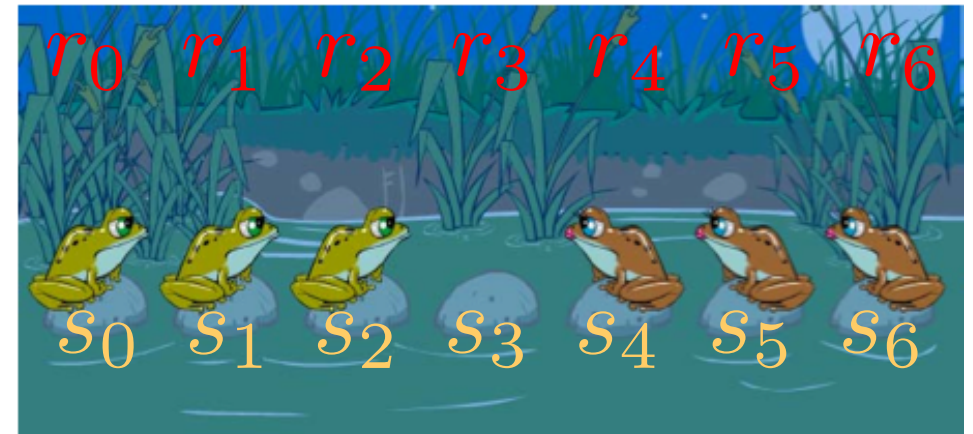
- Frogs can only jump in the direction they are facing.
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<http://www.hellam.net/maths2000/frogs.html>

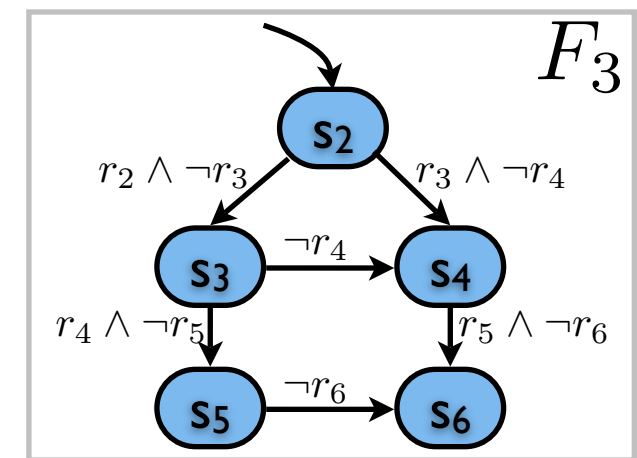
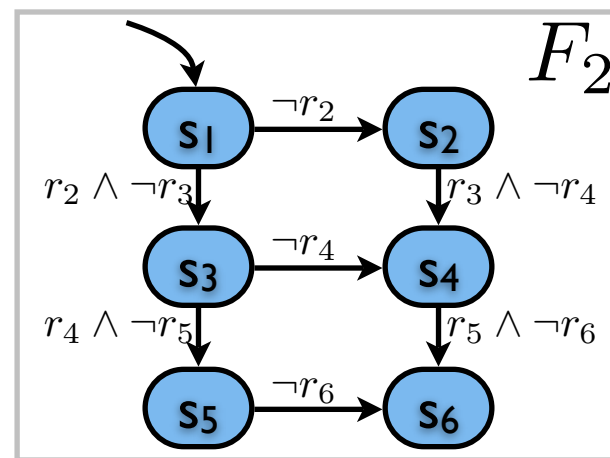
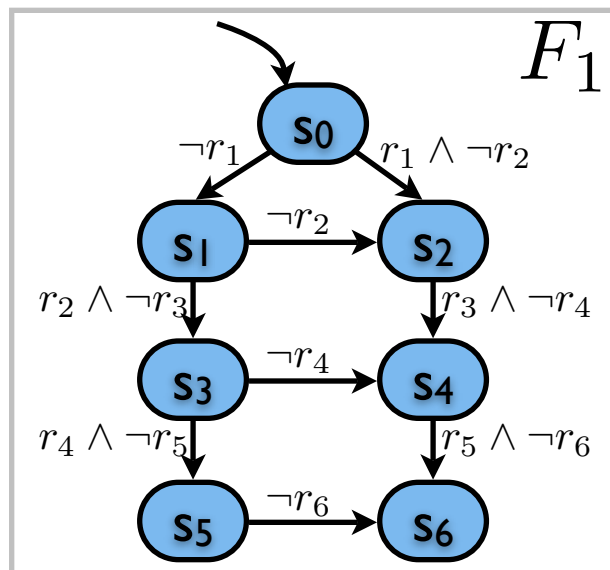
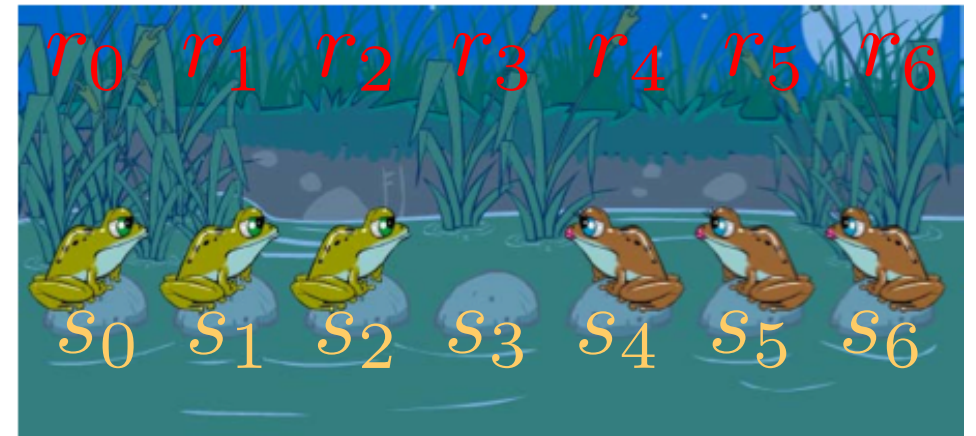
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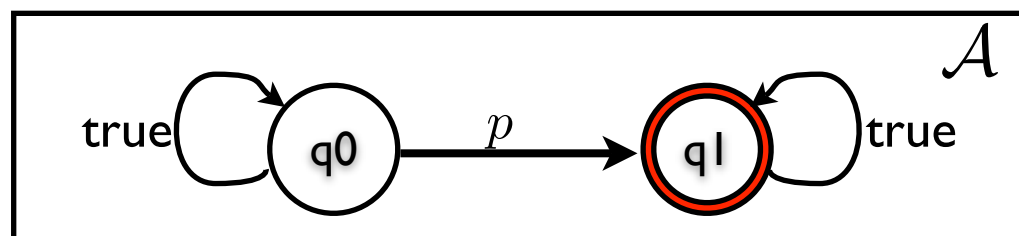


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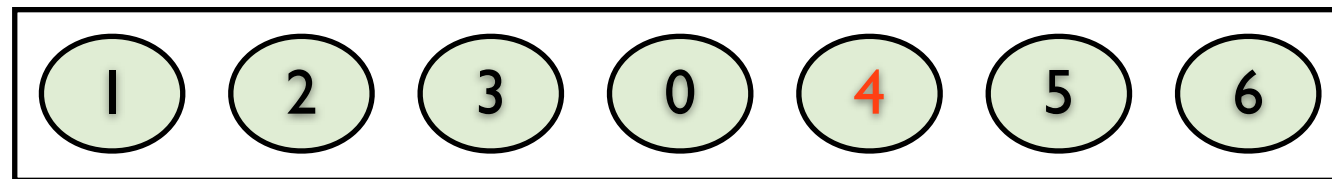
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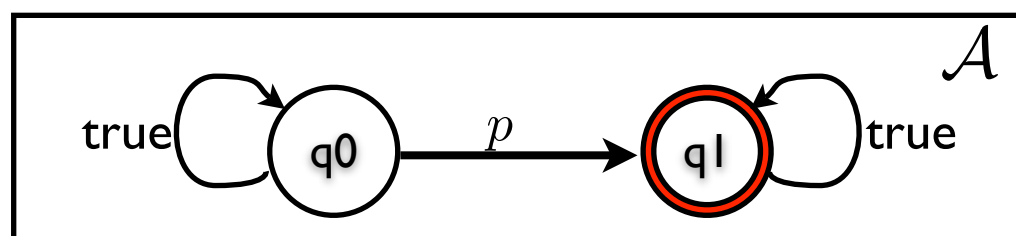
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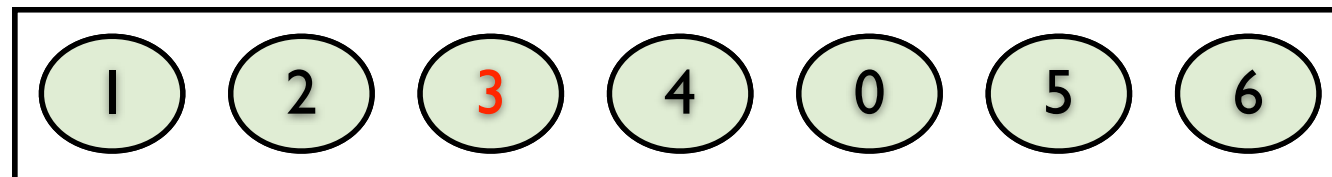
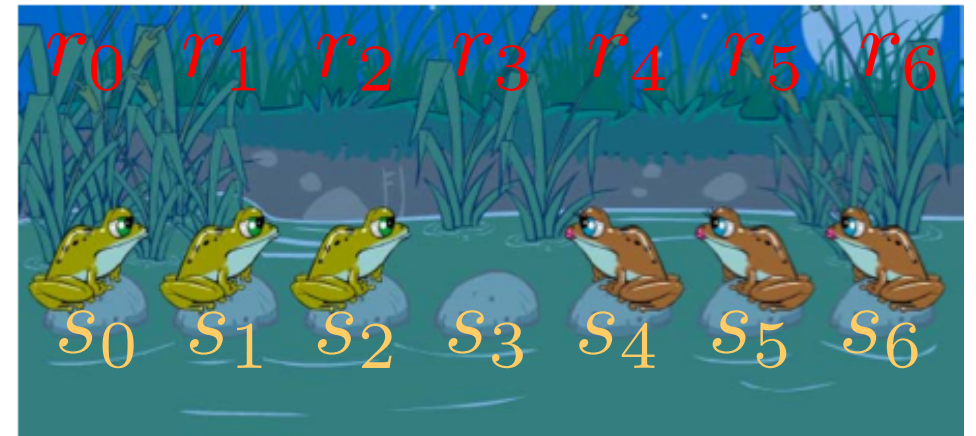
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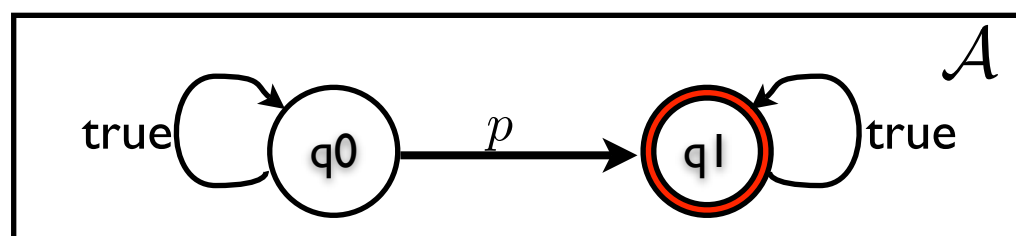
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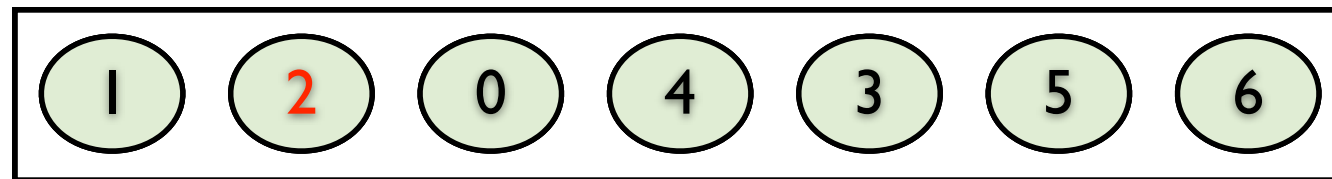
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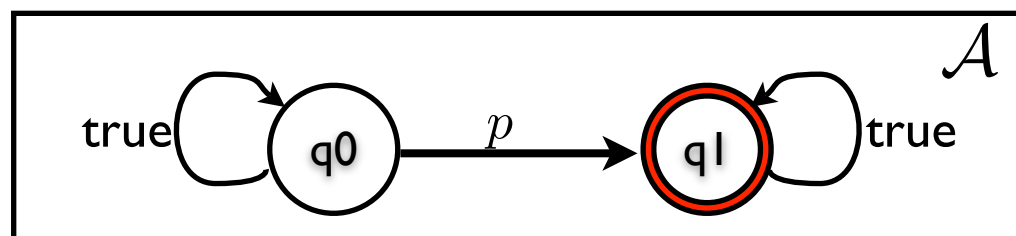
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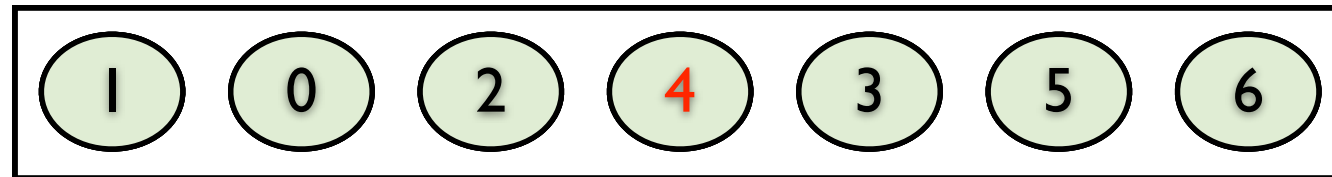
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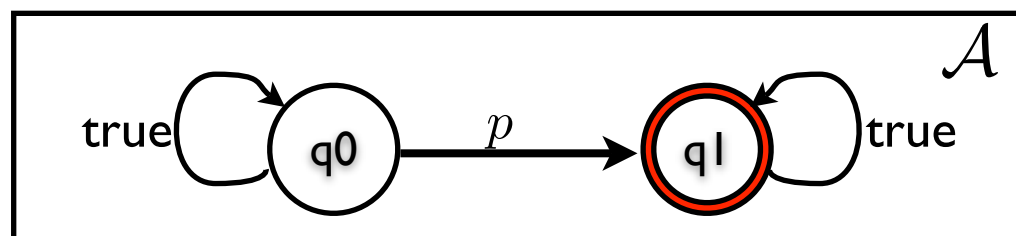
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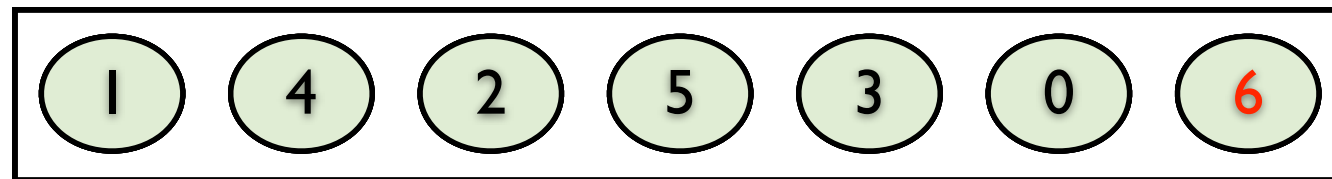
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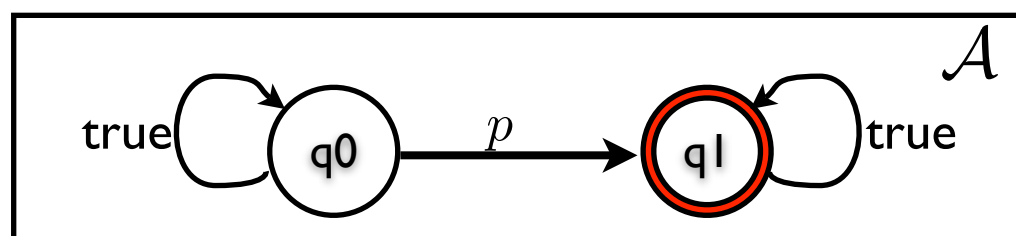
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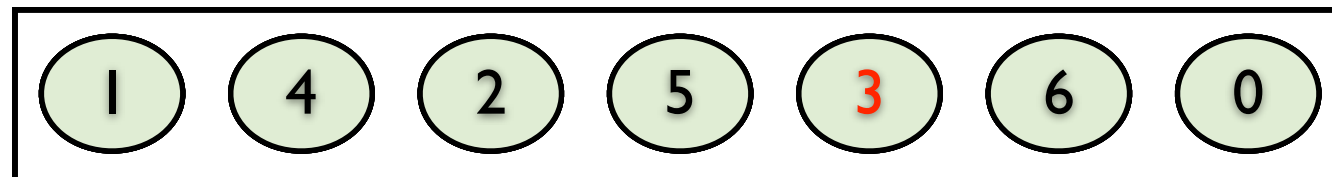
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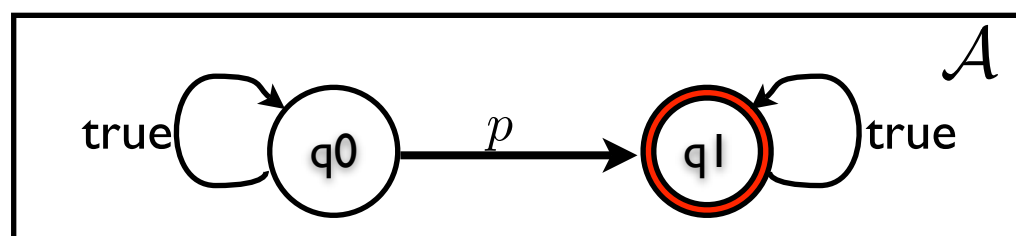
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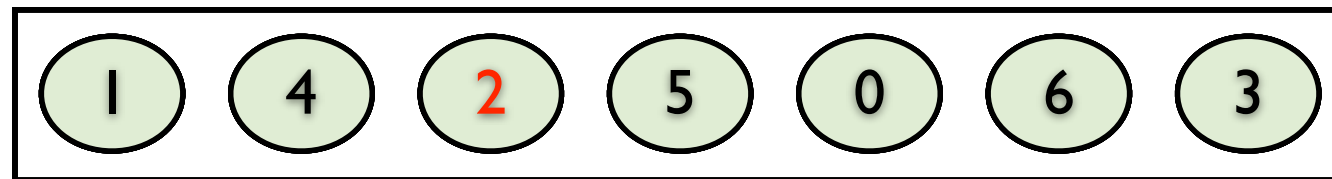
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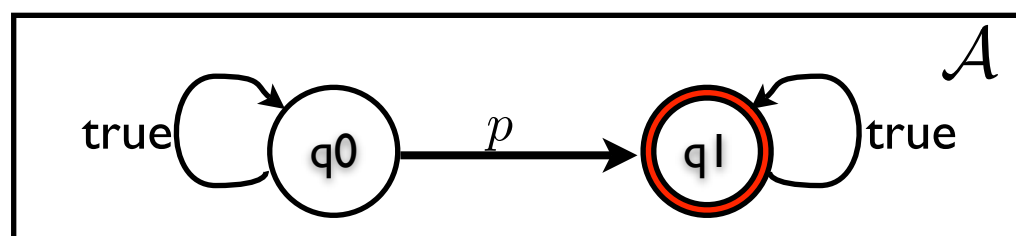
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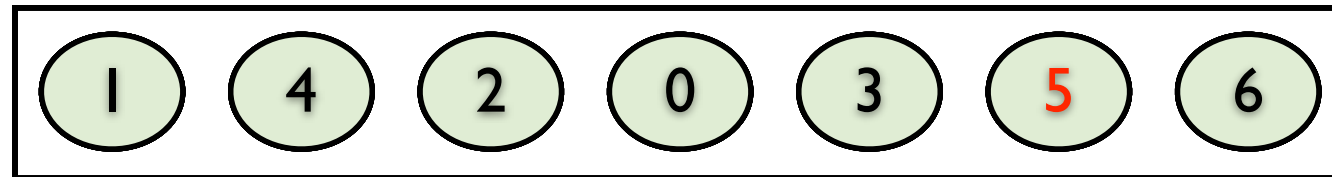
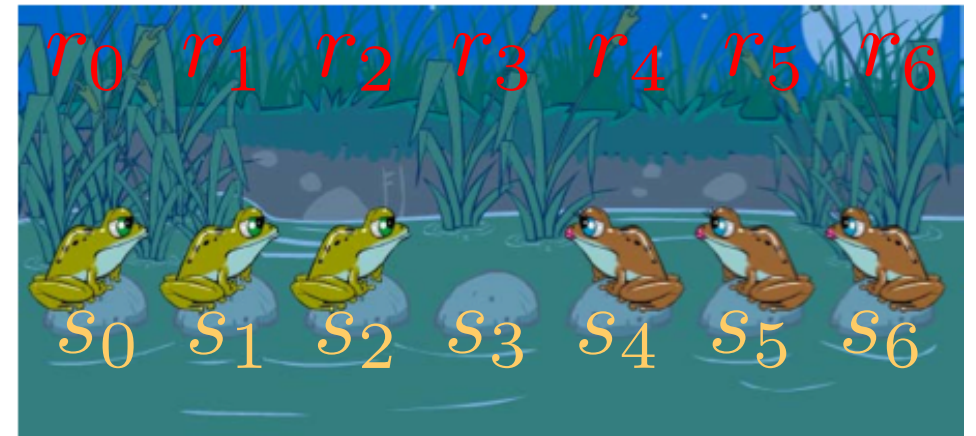
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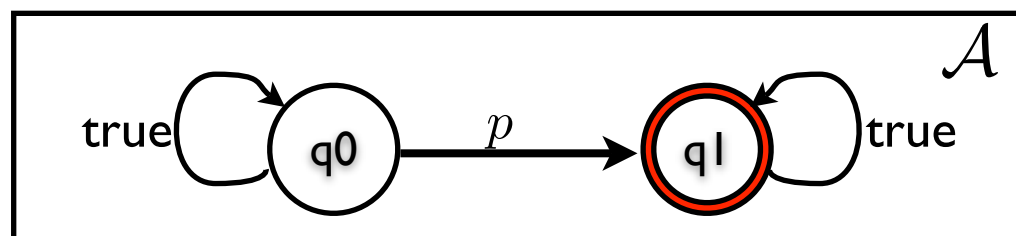
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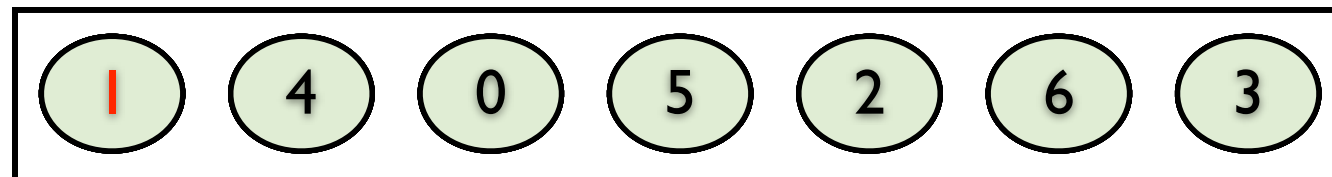
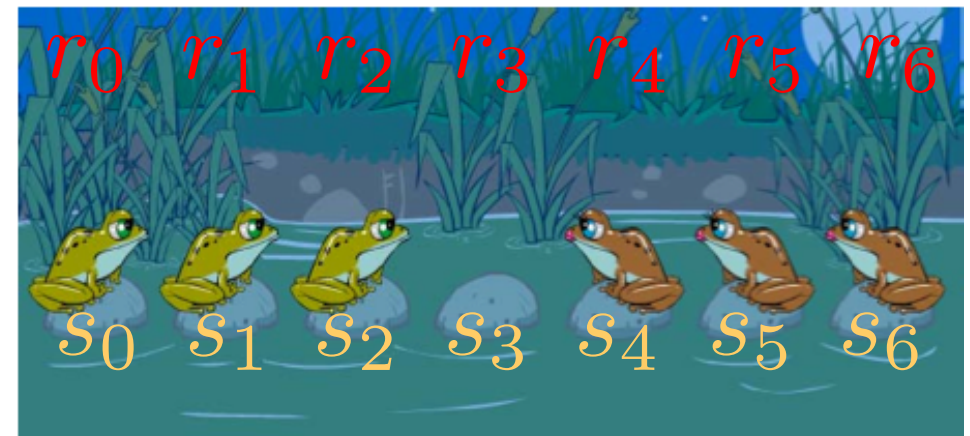
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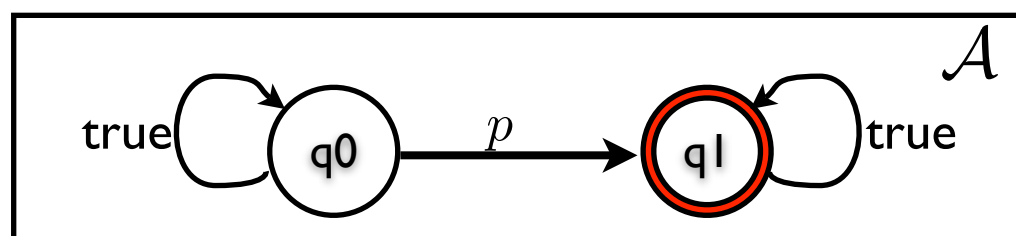
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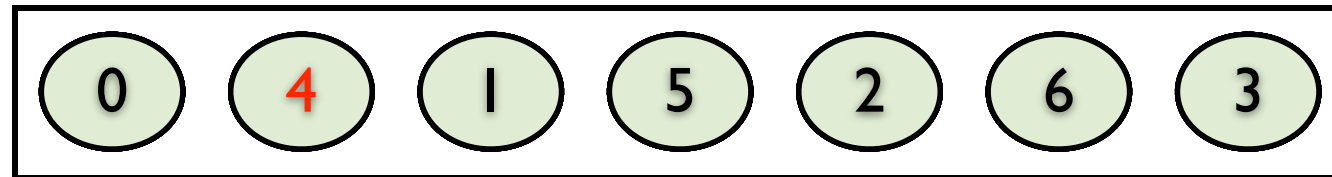
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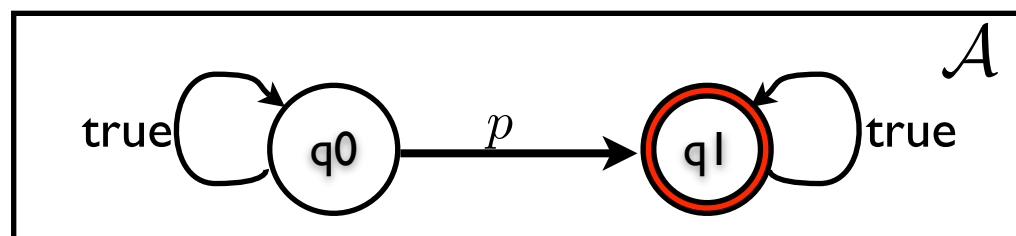
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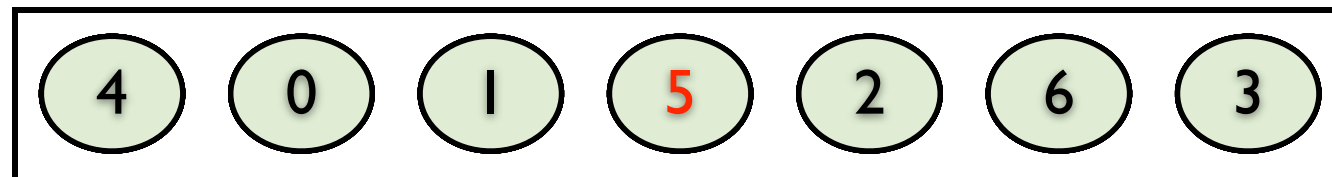
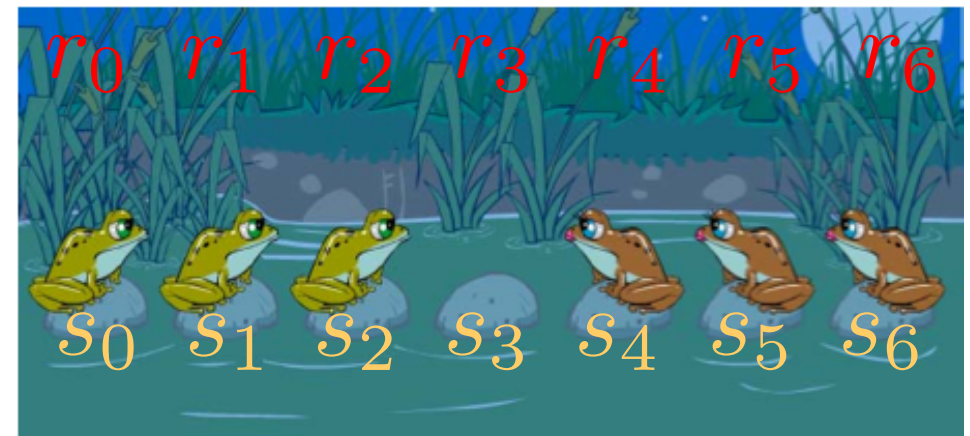
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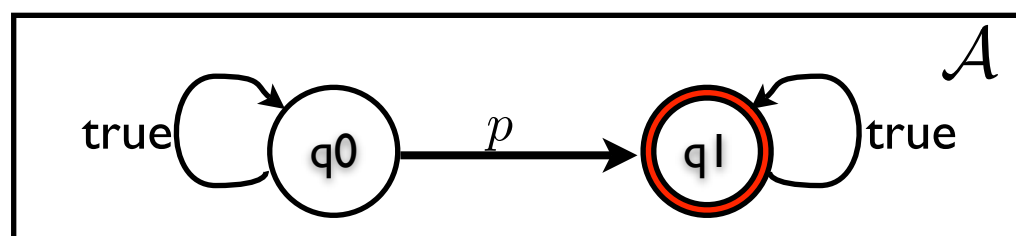
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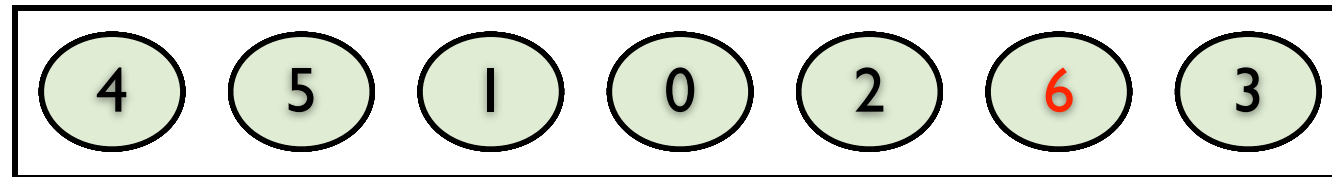
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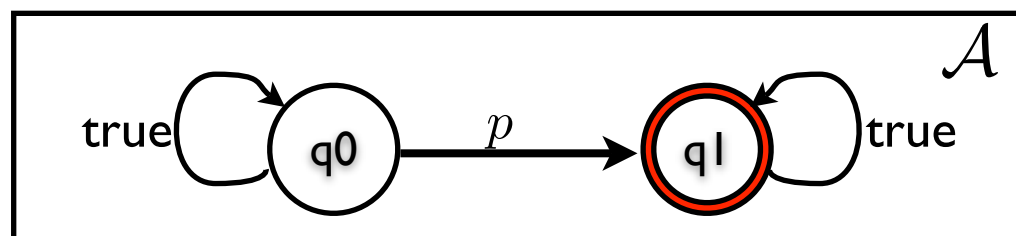
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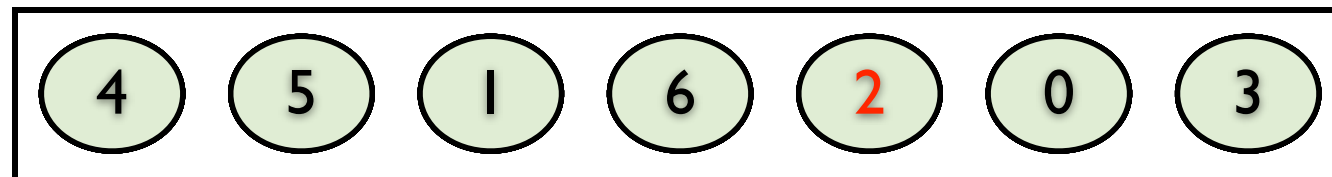
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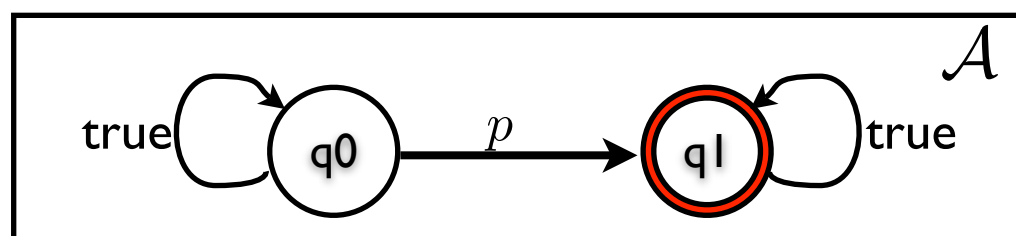
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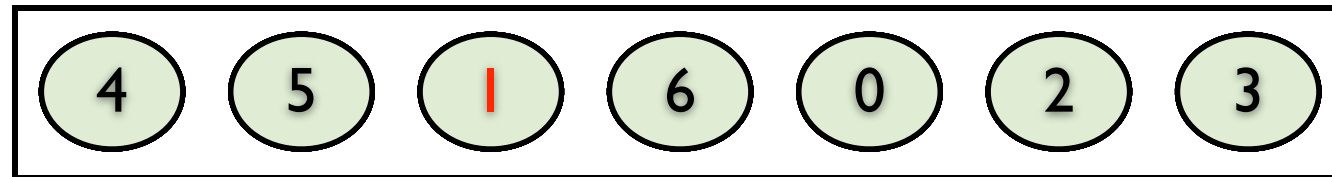
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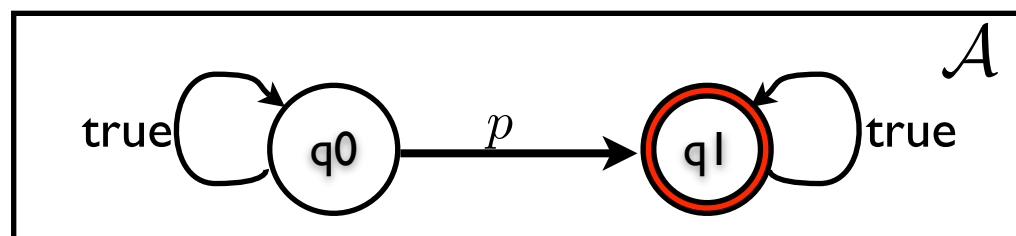
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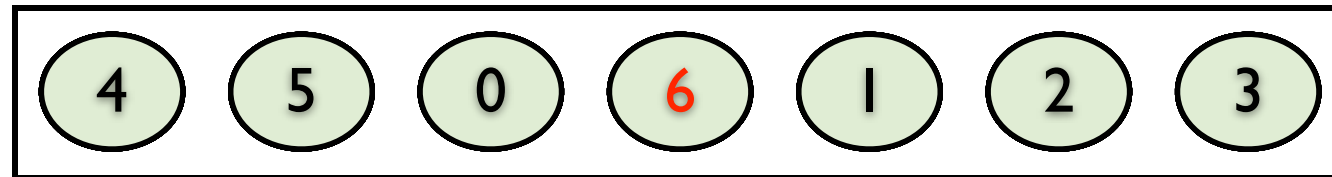
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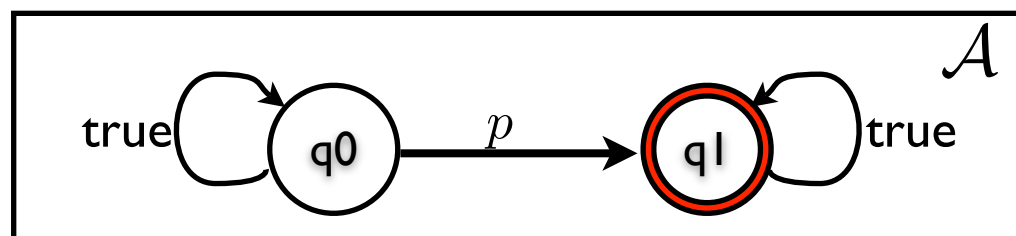
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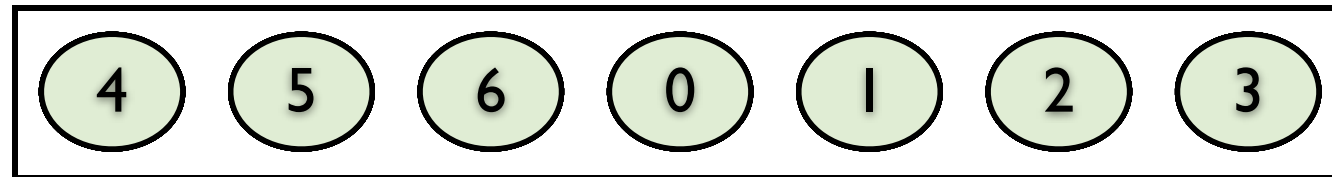
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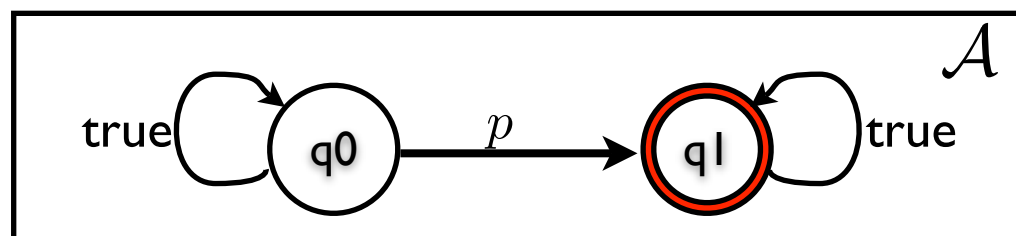
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