

Introduction

Modelling parallel systems

Linear Time Properties

Regular Properties

Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

Computation Tree Logic

 syntax and semantics of CTL

 expressiveness of CTL and LTL

 CTL model checking



 fairness, counterexamples/witnesses

 CTL⁺ and CTL*

Equivalences and Abstraction

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- check whether $S_0 \subseteq Sat(\Phi)$

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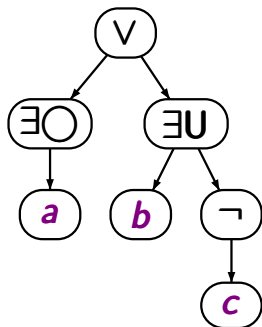
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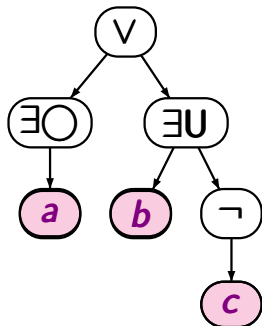
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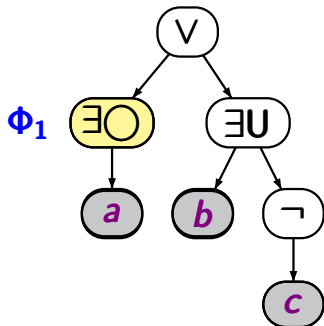
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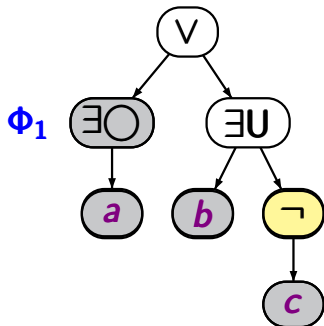
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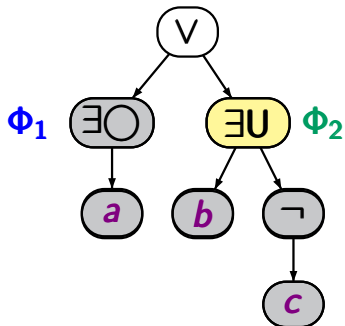
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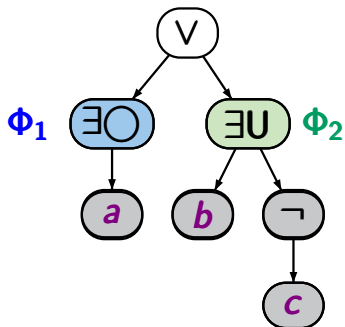
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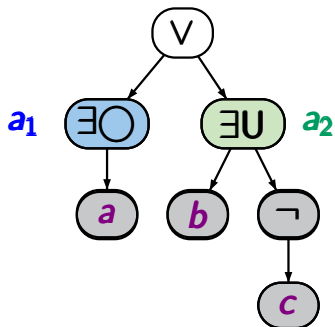
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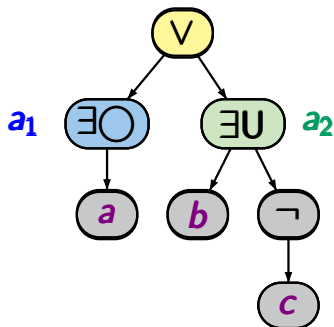
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here: explanations for the case that Φ is
in **existential normal form**

analogous algorithms can be designed for standard CTL
(and the derived operators)

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treatment of $\exists\bigcup$ and $\exists\Box$:

via fixed point computation

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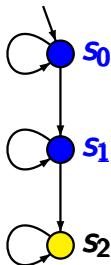
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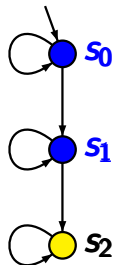
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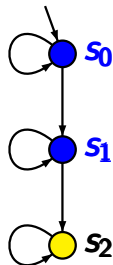
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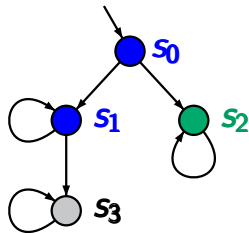
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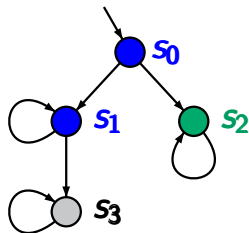
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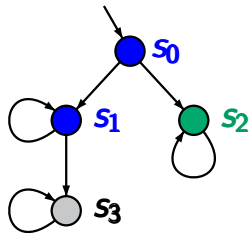
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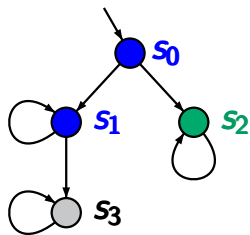
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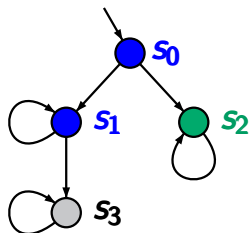
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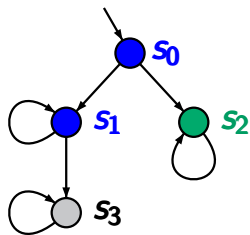
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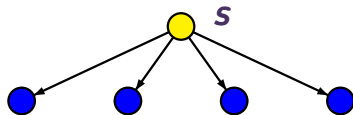
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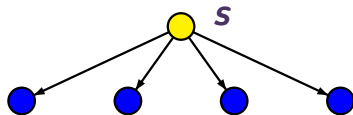
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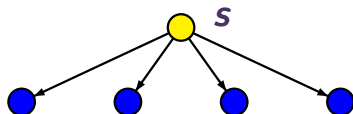
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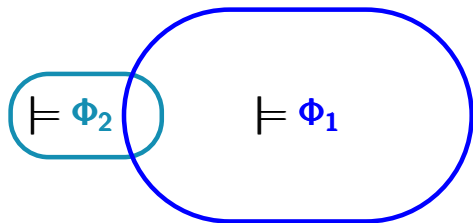
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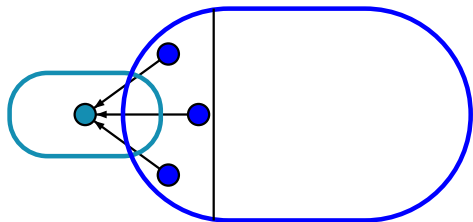


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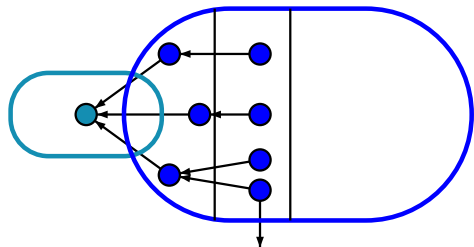
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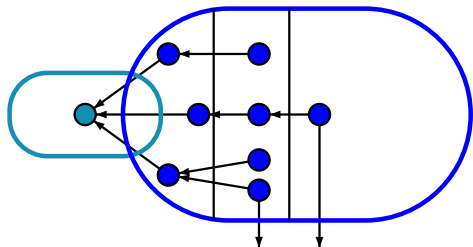
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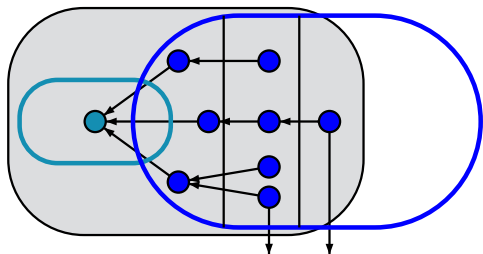
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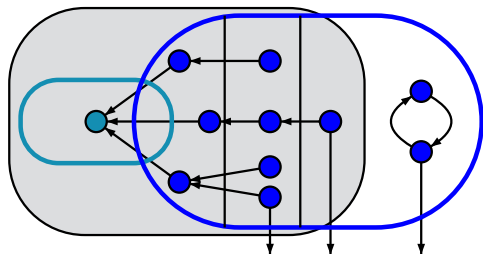


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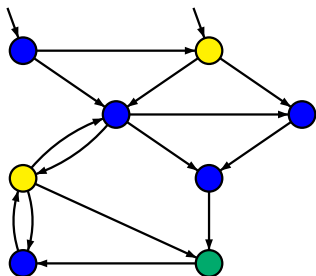
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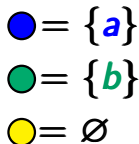
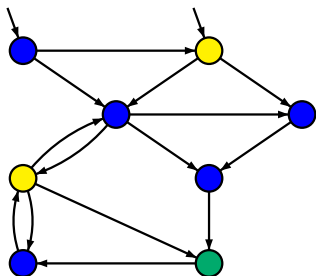
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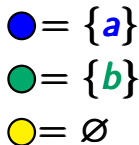
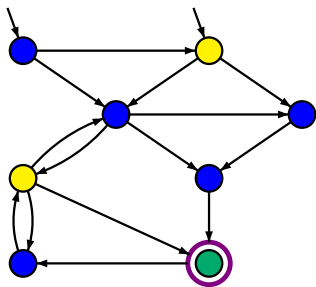
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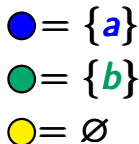
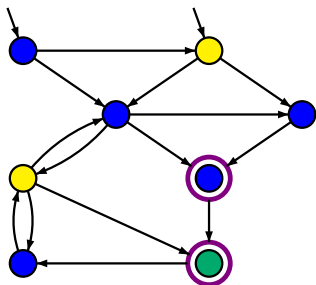
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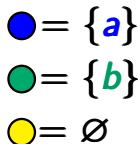
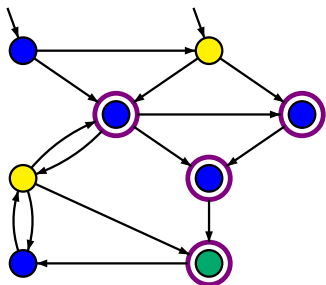
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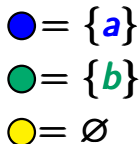
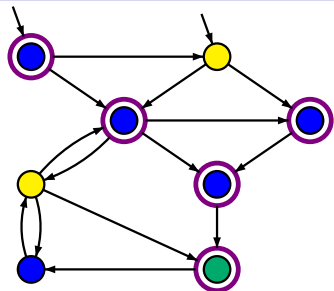
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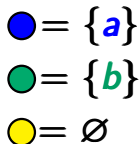
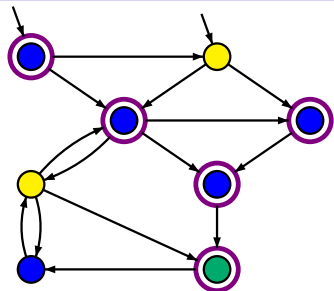
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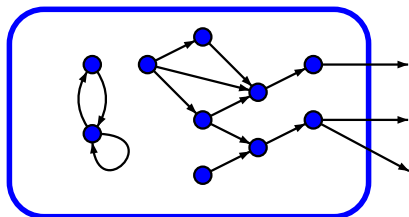
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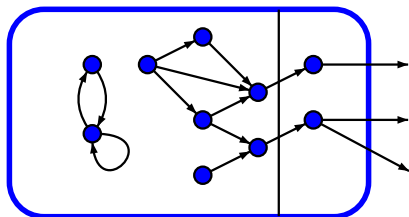


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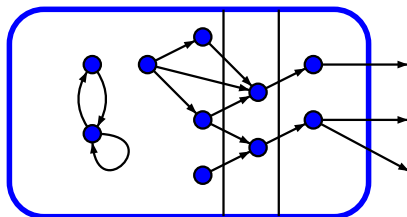


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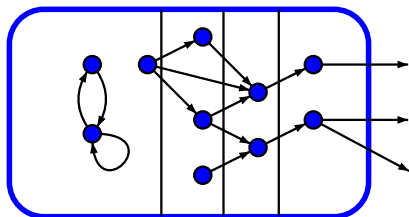


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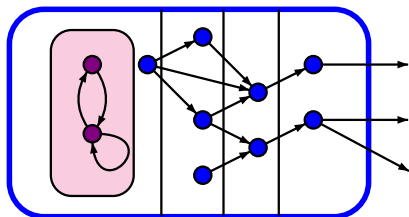


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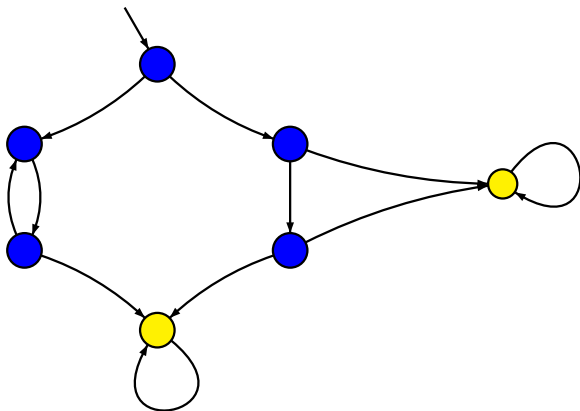
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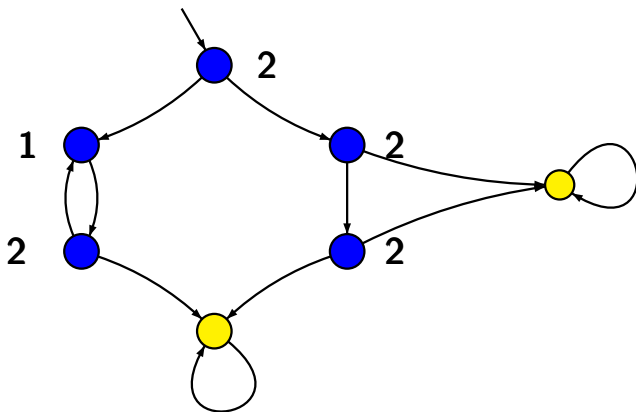
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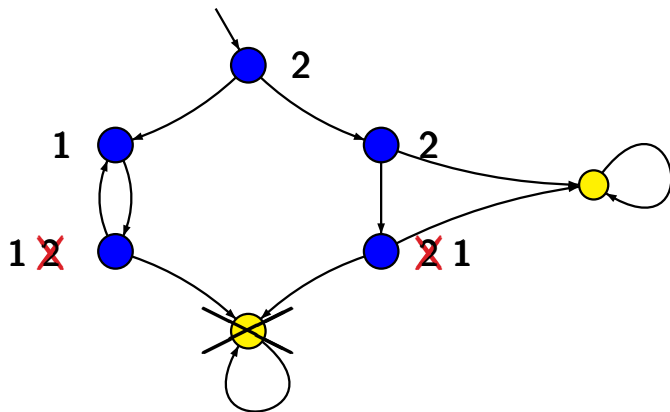
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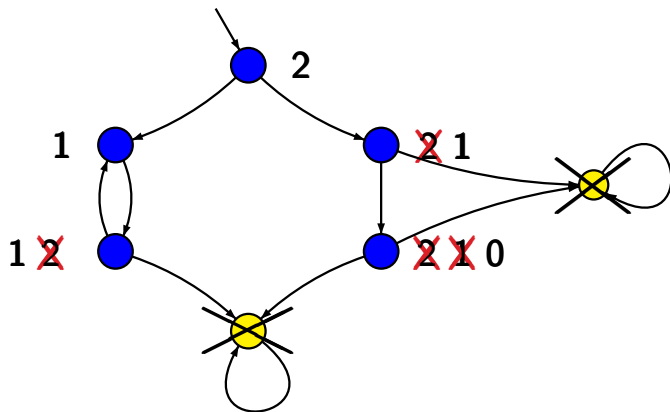
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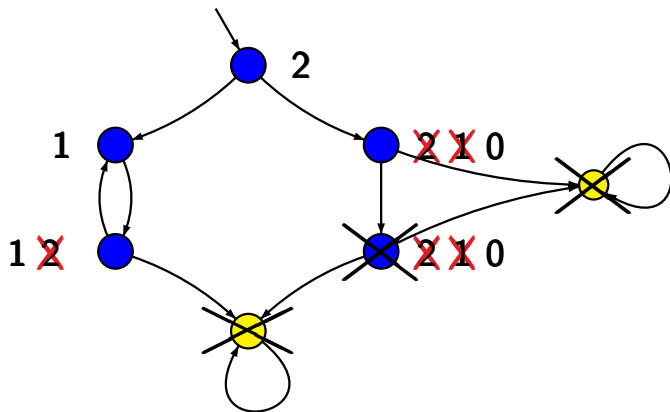
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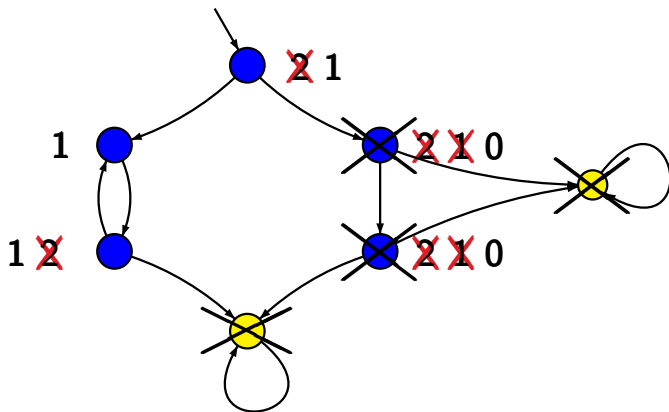
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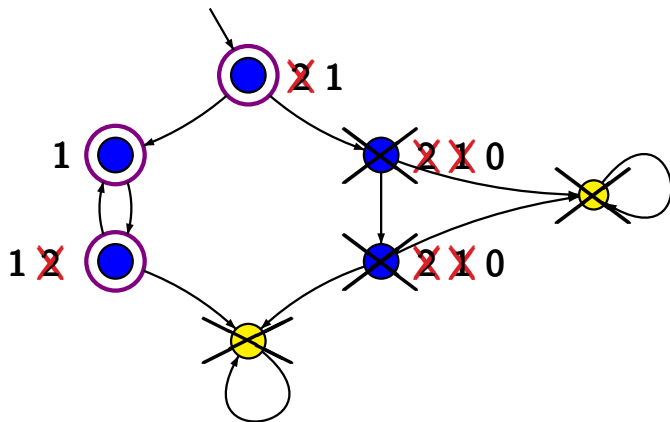
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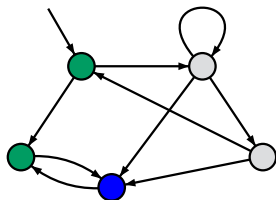
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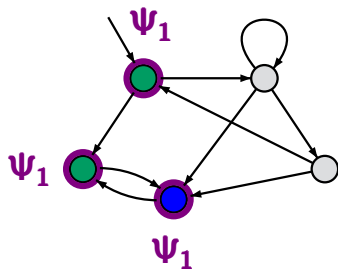
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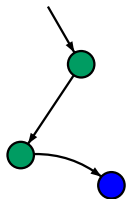
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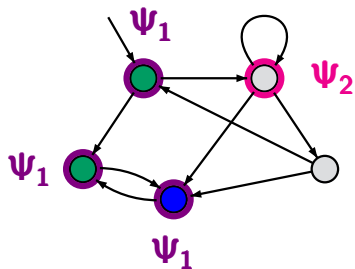


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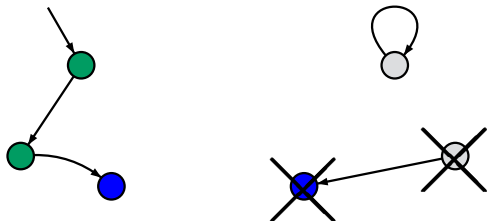


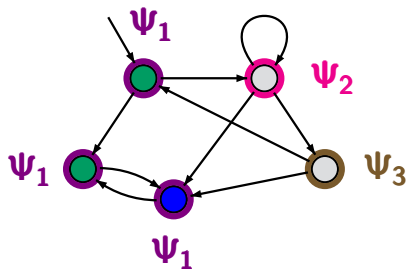
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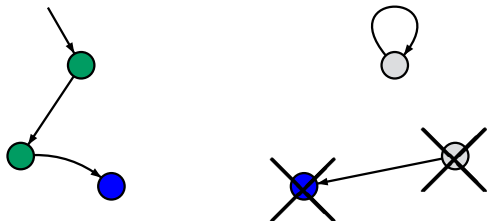


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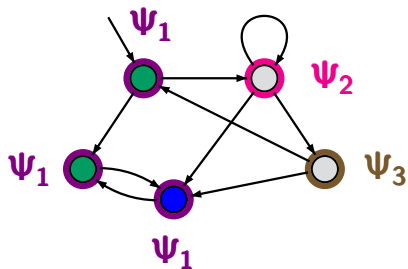


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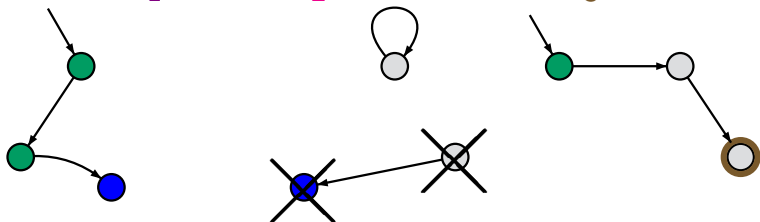


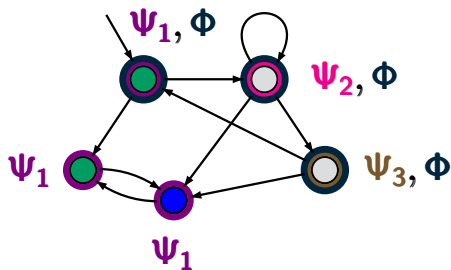
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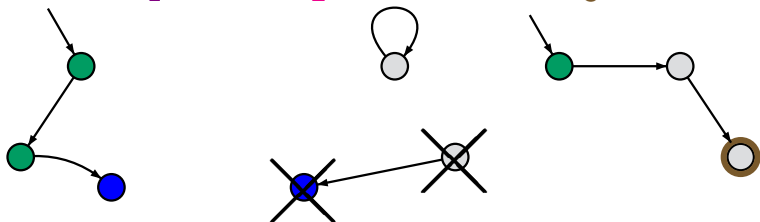


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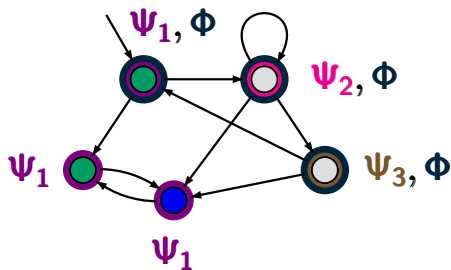


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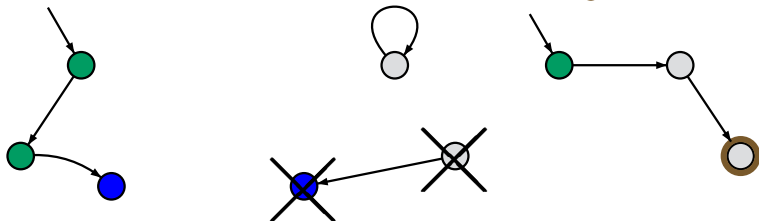
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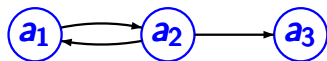
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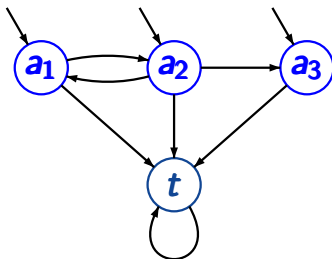
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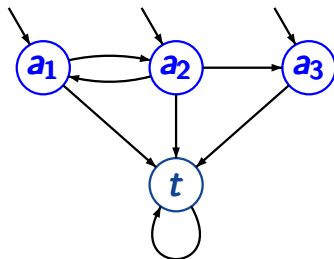
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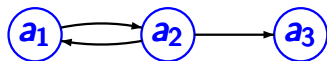
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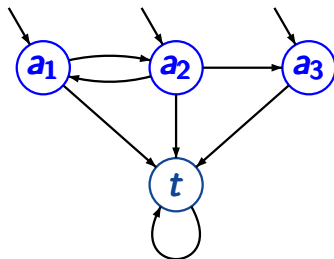
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