

# CTL Model Checking

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## Topics

- Recursive definition of the Sat set
- Minimum fixpoint based algorithm to calculate the Sat of Exist Until
- Maximum fixpoint based algorithm to calculate the Sat of Exist Box
- Examples
- Complexity of CTL model checking

## Material

Reading:

Chapter 6 of the book: Section 6.4

More:

The slides in the following pages are taken from the material of the course “Introduction to Model Checking” held by Prof. Dr. Ir. Joost-Pieter Katoen at Aachen University.

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<sup>+</sup> and CTL\*

Equivalences and Abstraction

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

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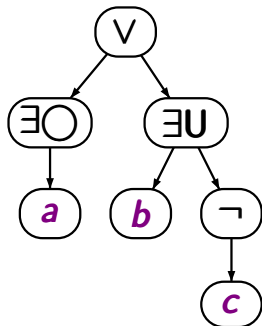
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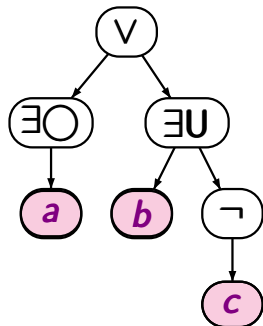
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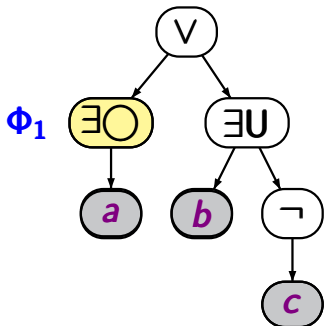
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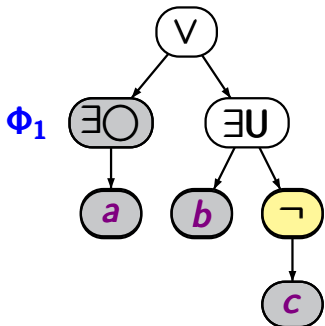
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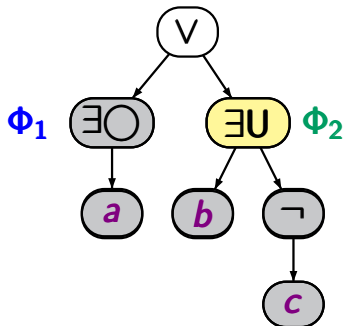
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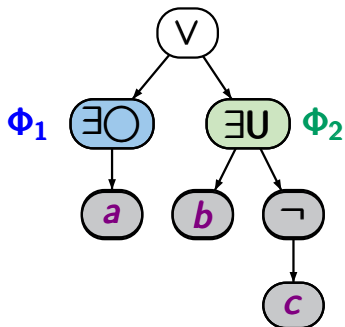
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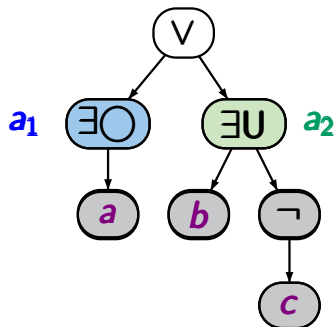
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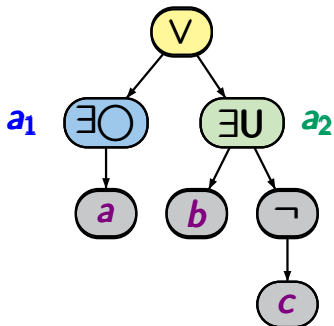


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*here:* explanations for the case that  $\Phi$  is  
in **existential normal form**

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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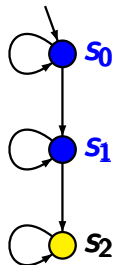
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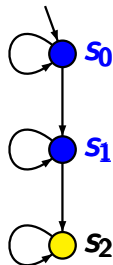
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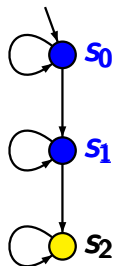
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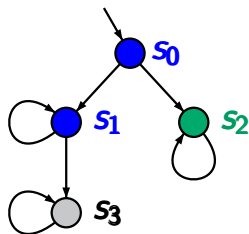
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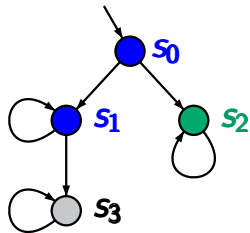
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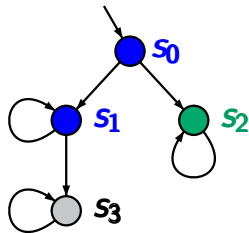
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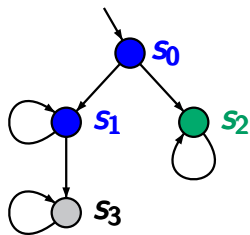


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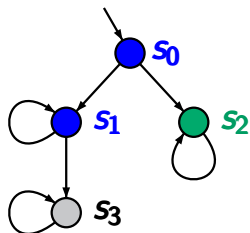
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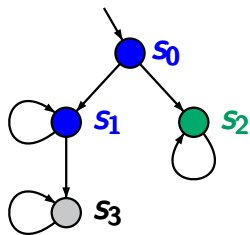
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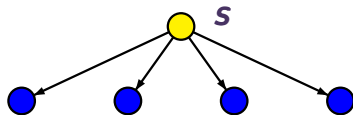
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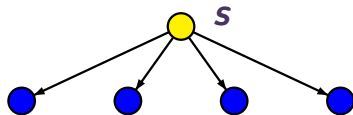


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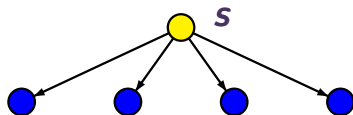
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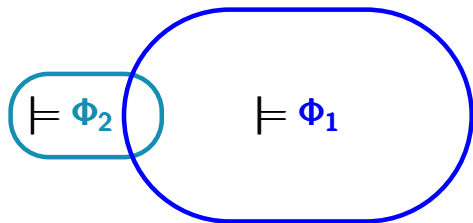
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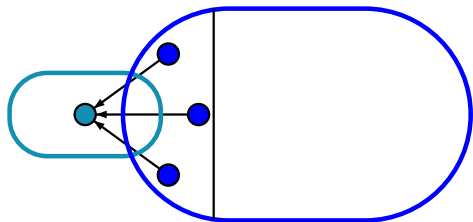


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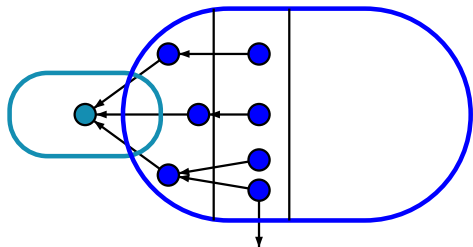
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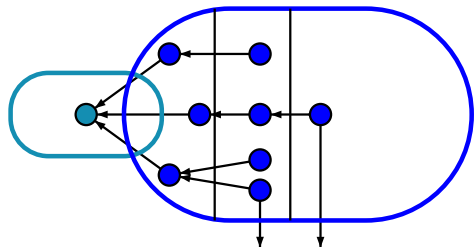
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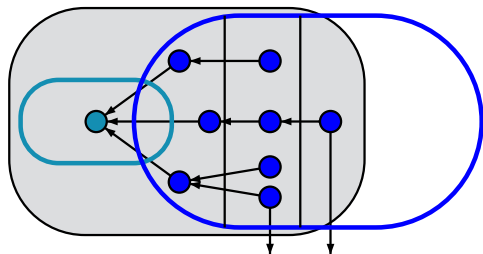
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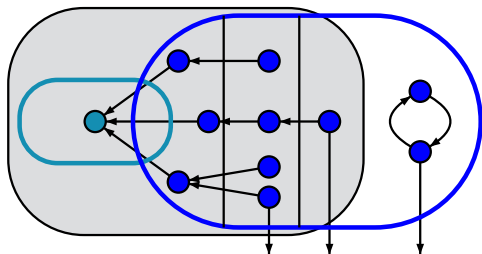


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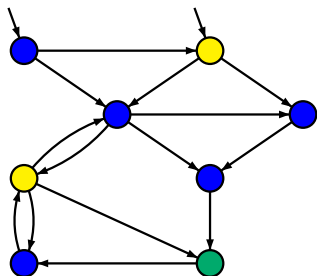
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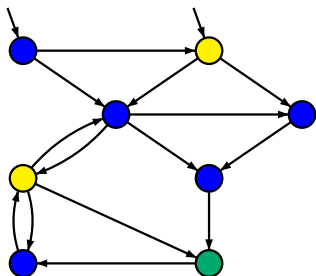
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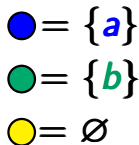
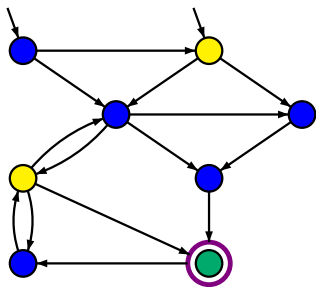
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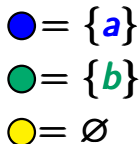
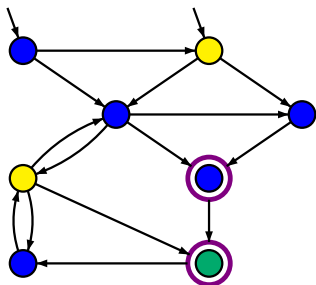
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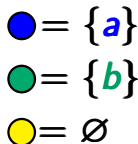
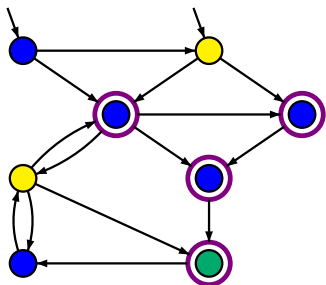
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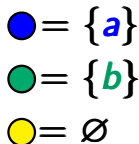
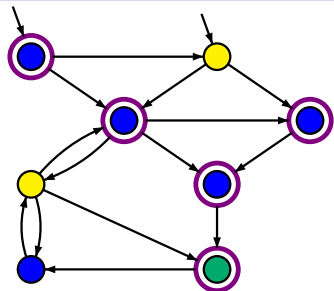
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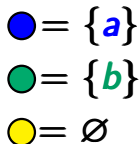
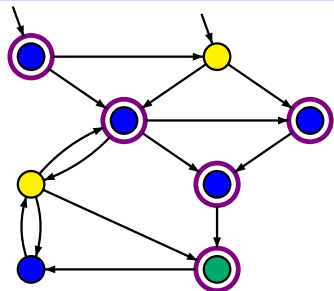
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# CTL model checking: always operator

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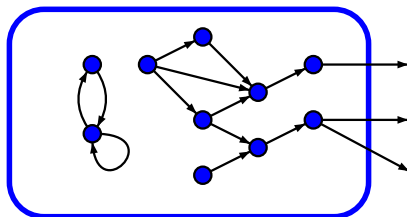
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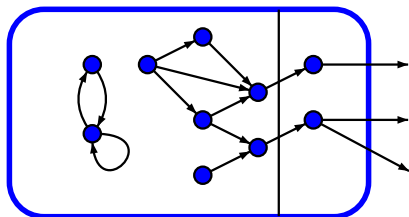


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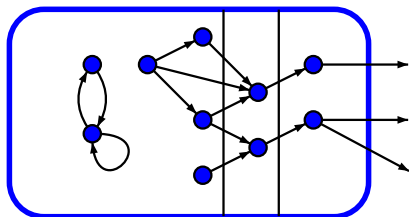


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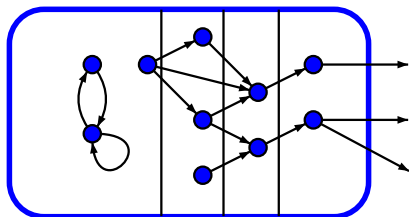


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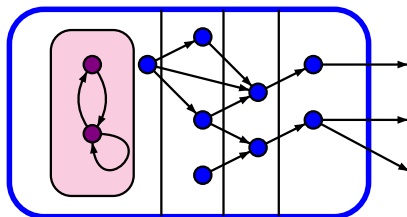


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# Computation of $Sat(\exists\Box\Phi)$ using counters

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$T := Sat(\Phi); E := S \setminus T$

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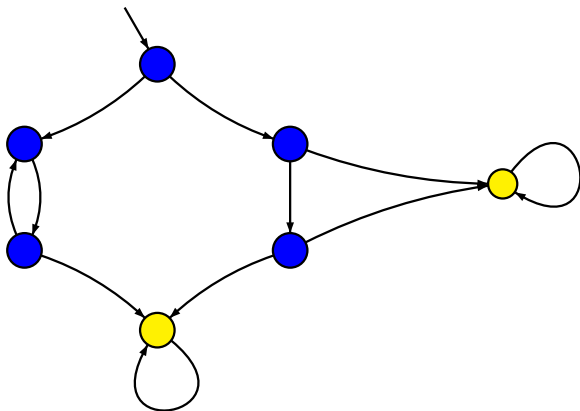
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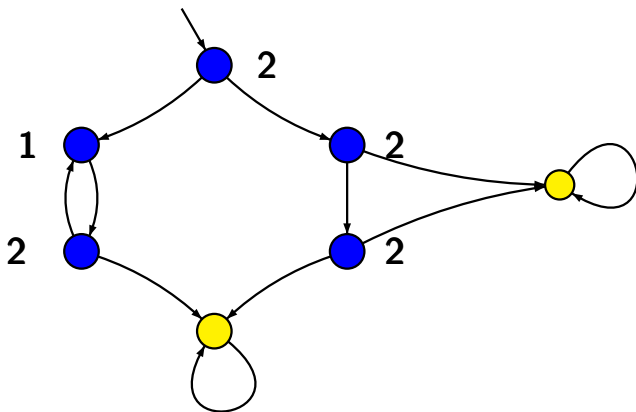
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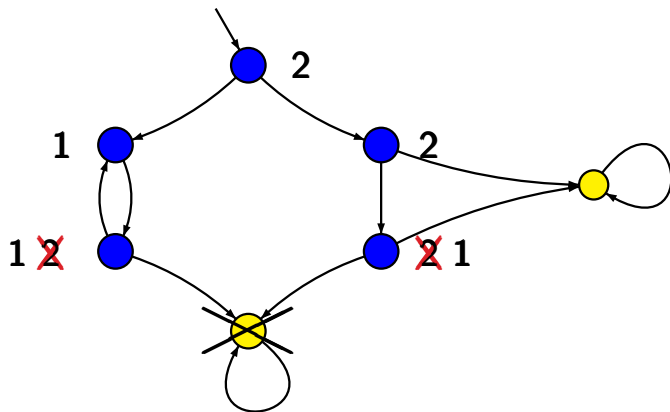
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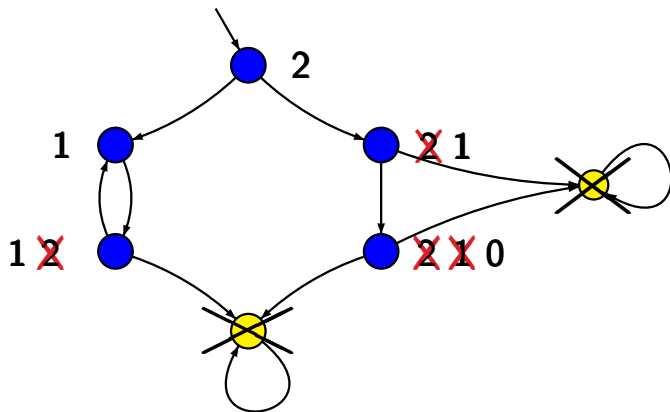
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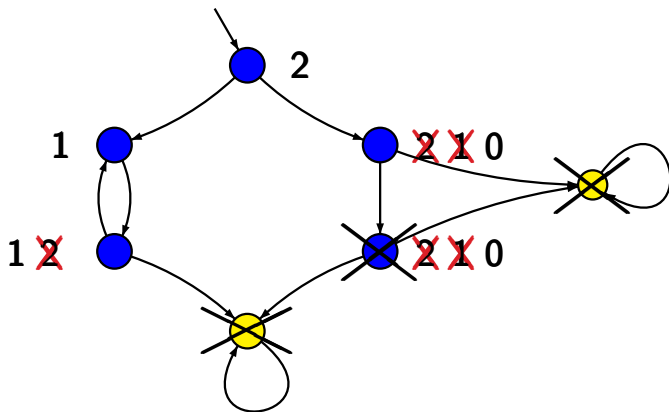
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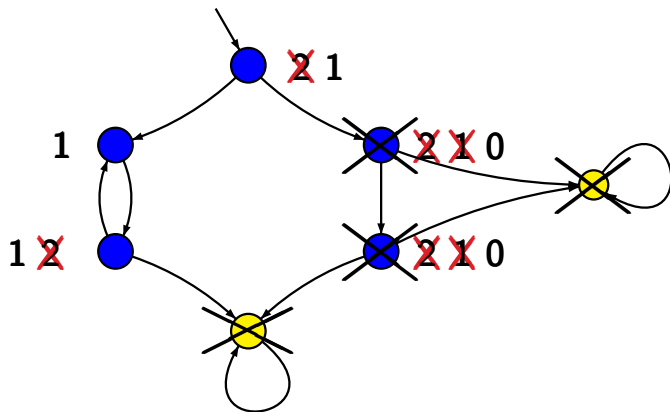


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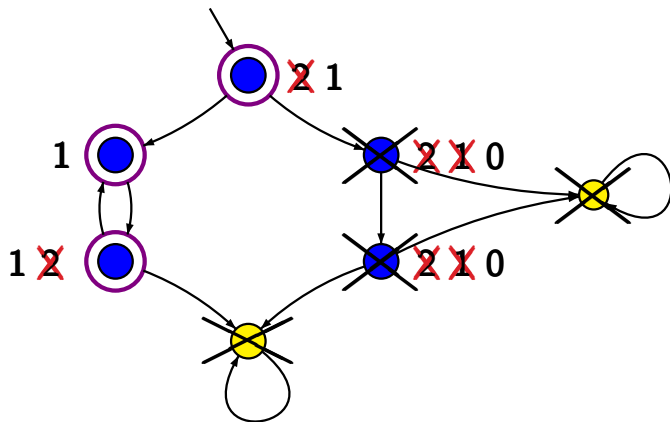




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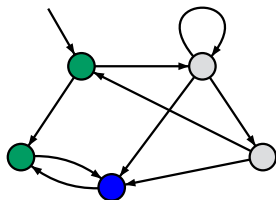
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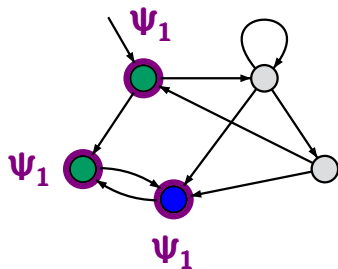
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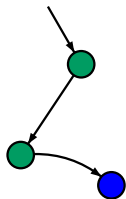


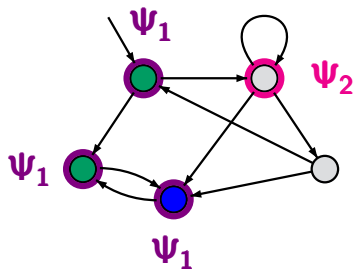
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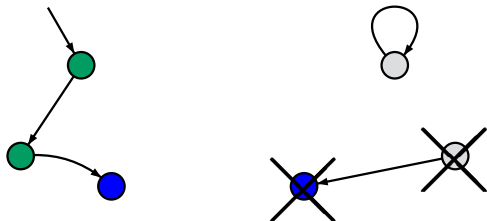


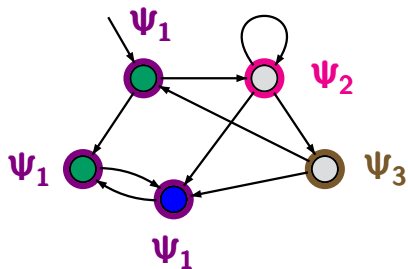
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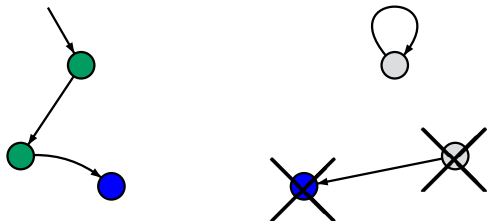


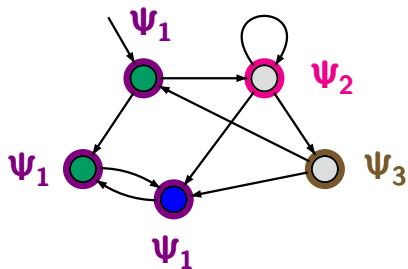
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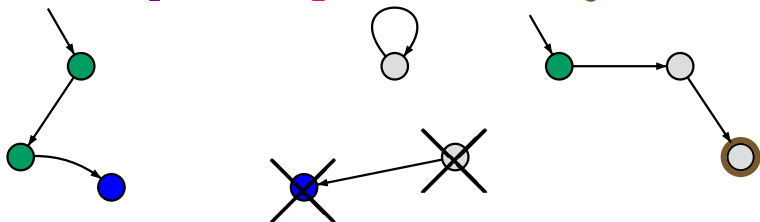


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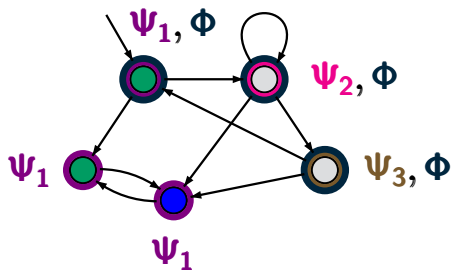


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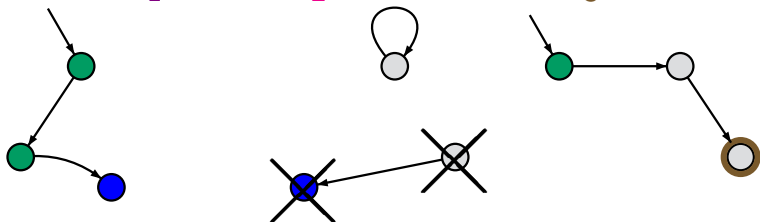


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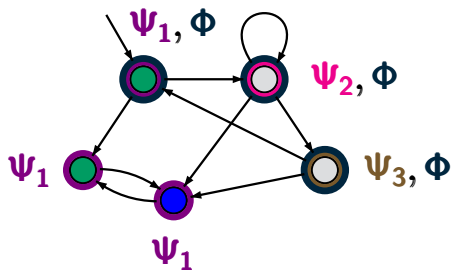


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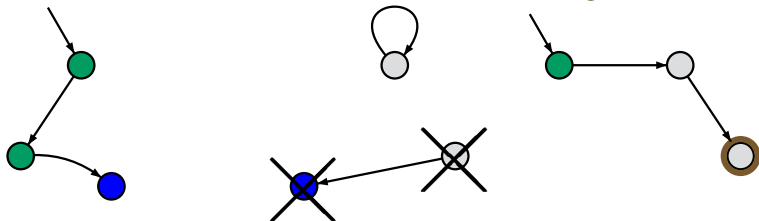
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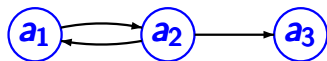
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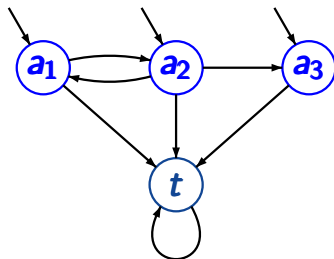
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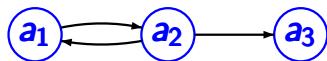
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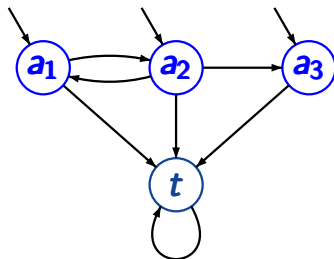
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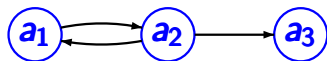
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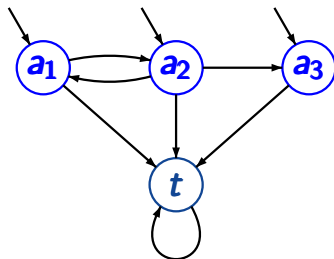
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