

Unit-4: Regular properties

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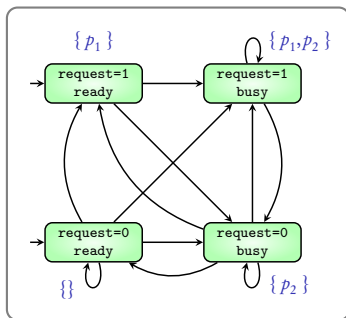
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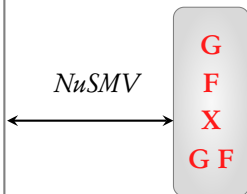
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Module 1:
Road Map

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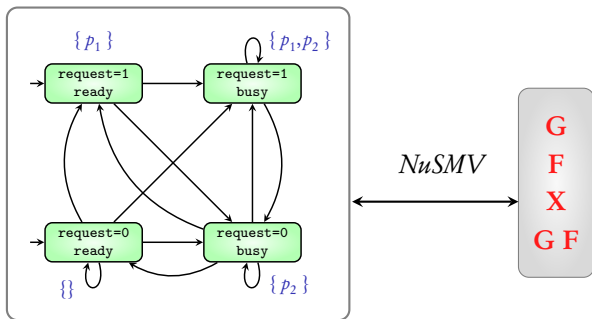


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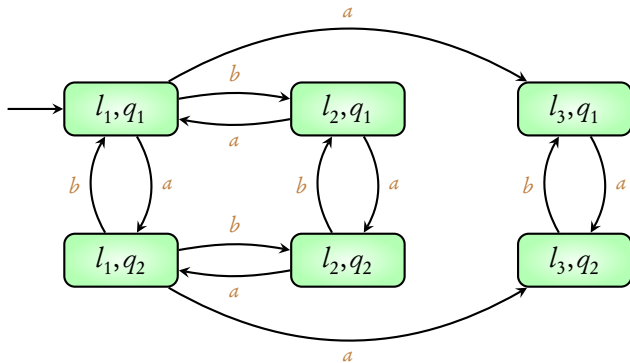
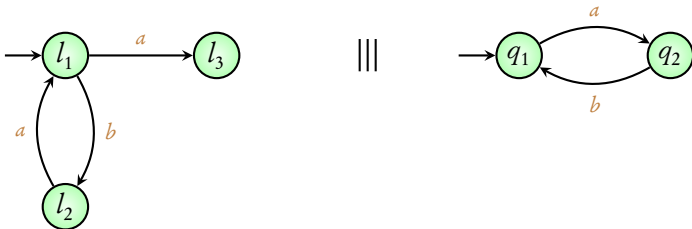
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Question 1: What are the **algorithms** used for checking requirements on transition systems?

Coming next: A **major** challenge in designing
model-checking algorithms

Recall...

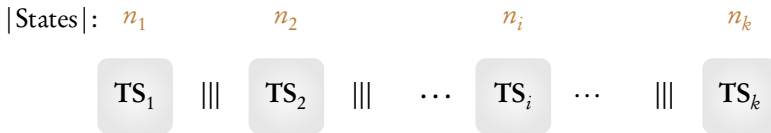


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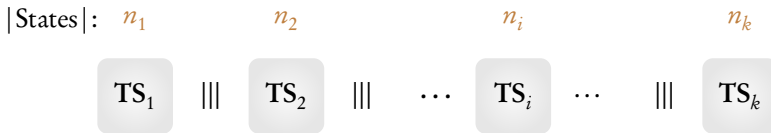
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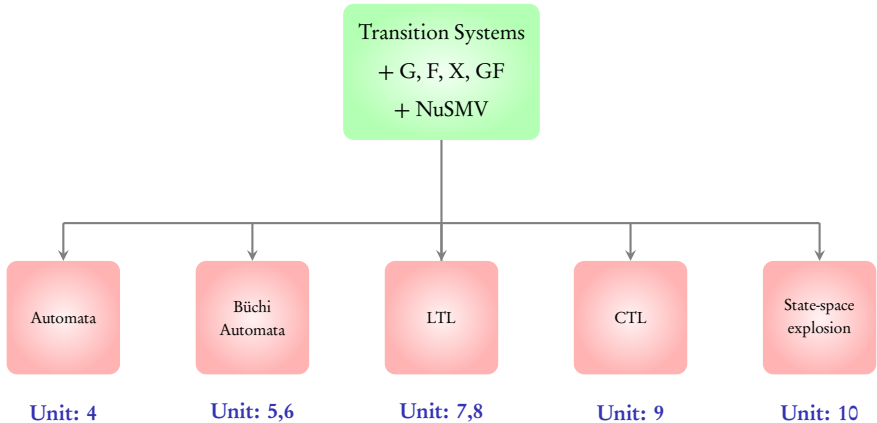
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Course plan



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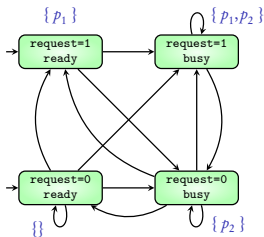
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Module 2:

A gentle introduction to automata



AP = set of **atomic propositions**

AP-INF = set of **infinite words** over $PowerSet(AP)$

A property over AP is a **subset** of AP-INF

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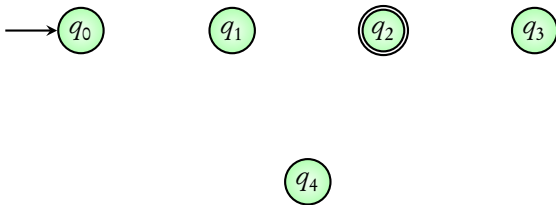
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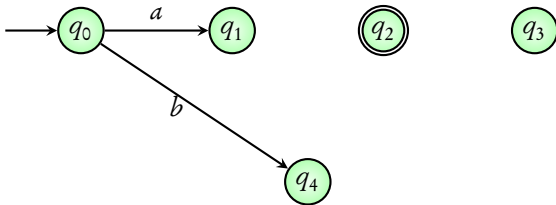
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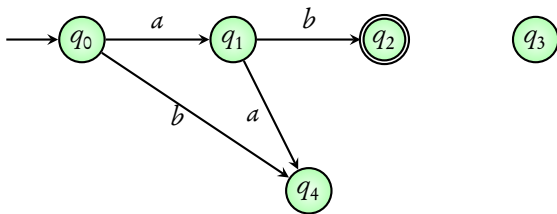
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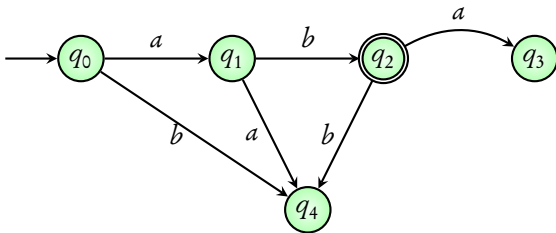
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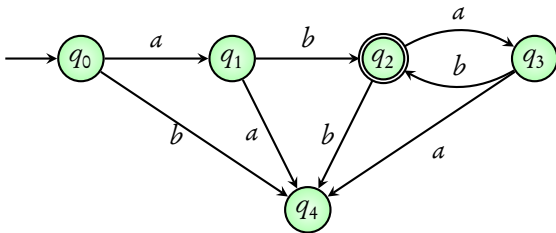
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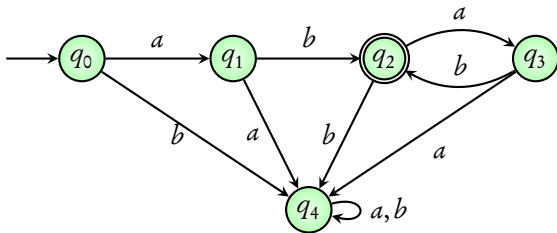
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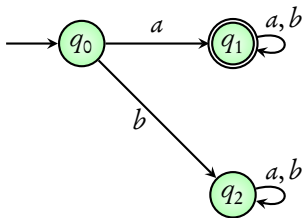
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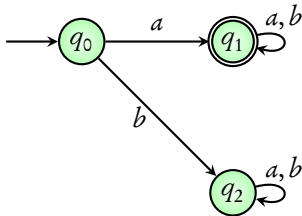


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Finite Automaton

Coming next: Some terminology

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In this module...

Task: Design **Finite Automata** for some languages

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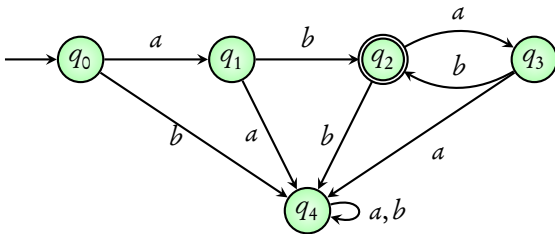
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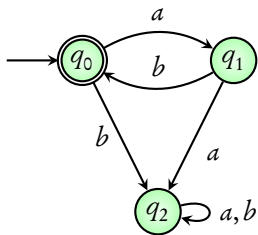
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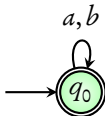
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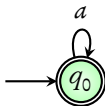
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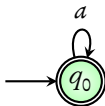


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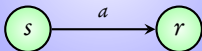
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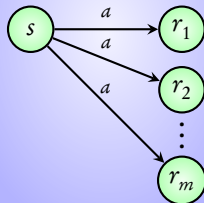
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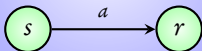


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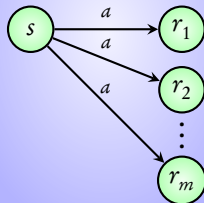
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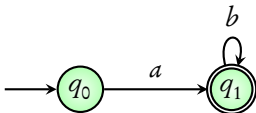
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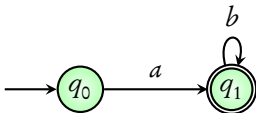
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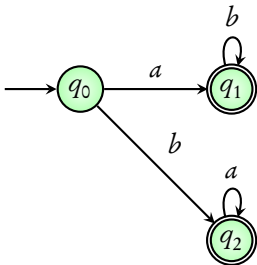
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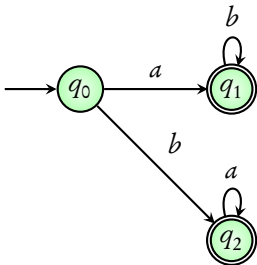


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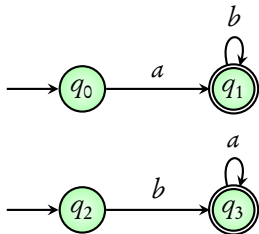
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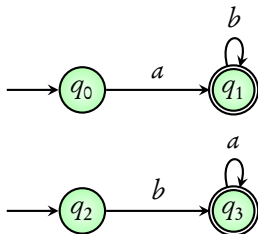


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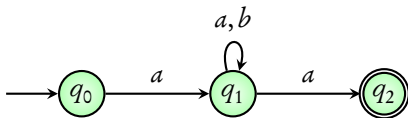
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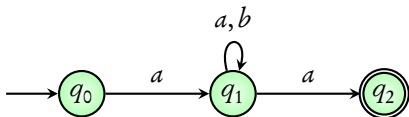


Multiple initial states: **non-deterministic** automaton

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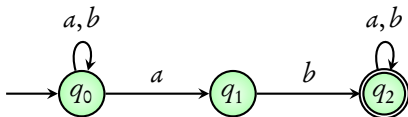
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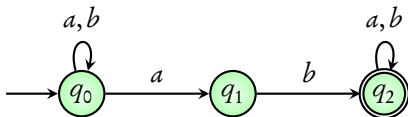
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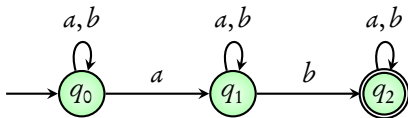
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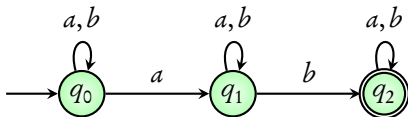
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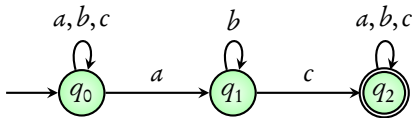
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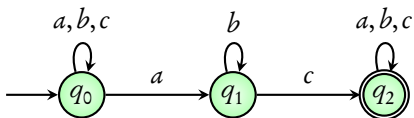
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Answer: $\Sigma^* a b^* c \Sigma^*$ ($\Sigma = \{ a, b, c \}$)

words where there exists an **a** followed by only **b**'s and after sometime a **c** occurs

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Need **infinitely many states** to remember the number of a 's

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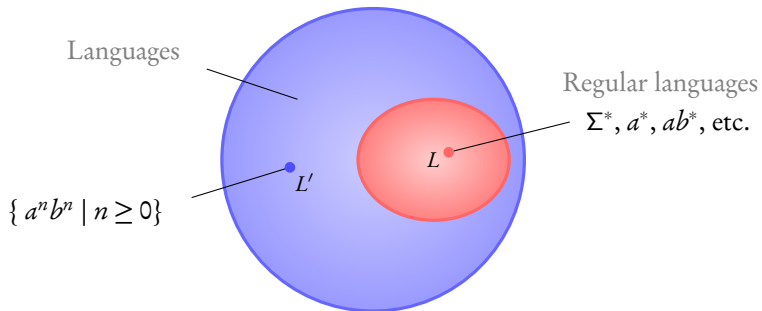
$$L = \{ \epsilon, ab, aabb, aaabbb, \dots, a^i b^i, \dots \}$$

Can we design a Finite automaton for L ?

Need **infinitely many states** to remember the number of a 's

Cannot construct finite automaton for this language

Regular languages



Definition

A language is called **regular** if it can be **accepted** by a finite automaton

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Next module: Are DFA and NFA **equivalent?**

Unit-4: Regular properties

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Module 3:

Simple properties of finite automata

Determinization

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Union



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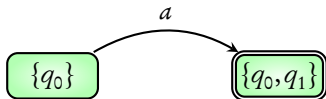


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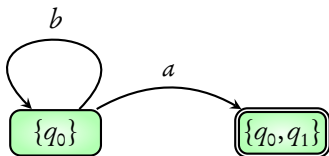


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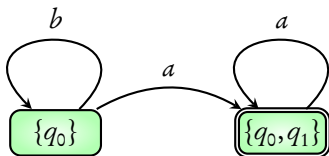


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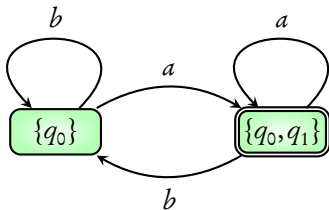


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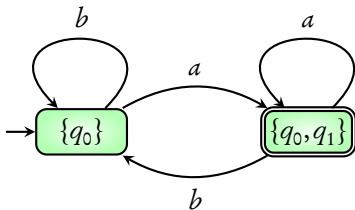


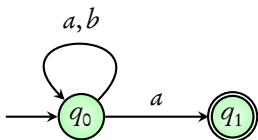
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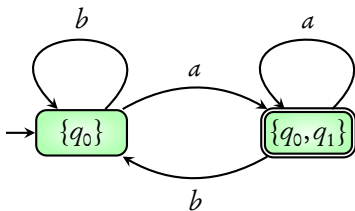
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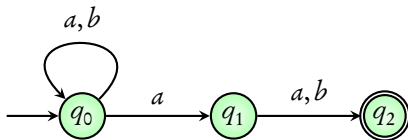


Non-deterministic automaton

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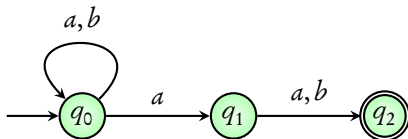


Deterministic automaton



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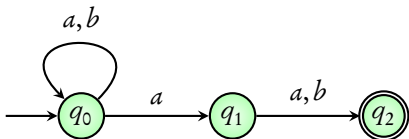
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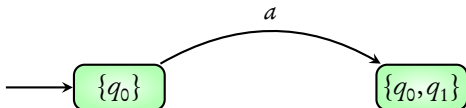
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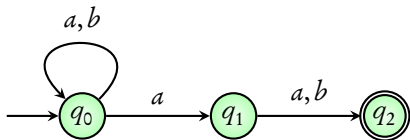




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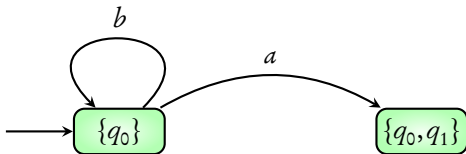
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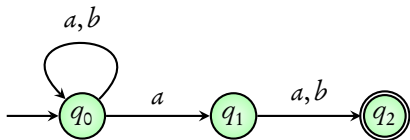




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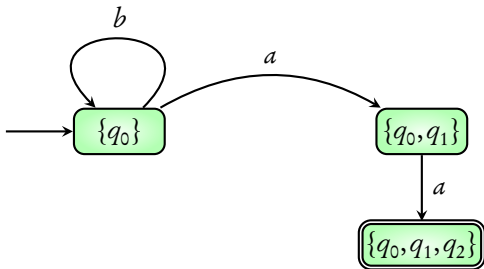
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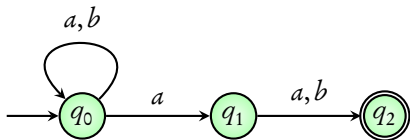




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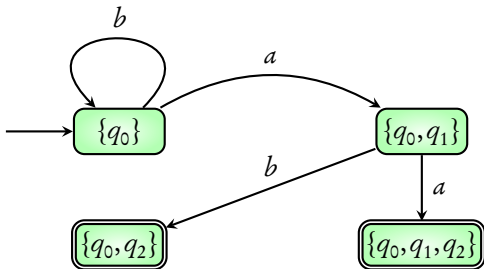
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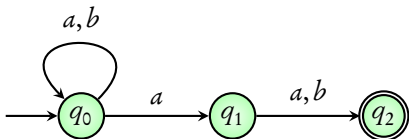




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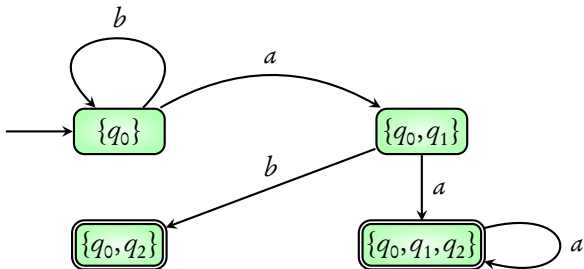
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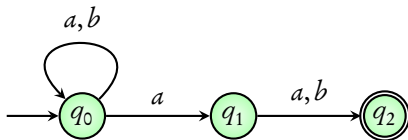




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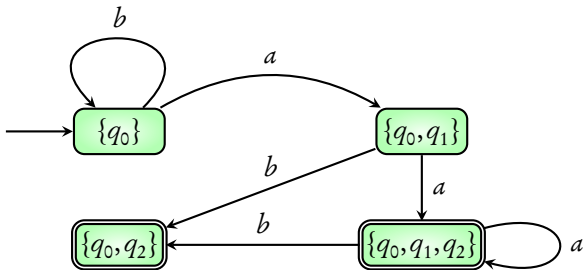
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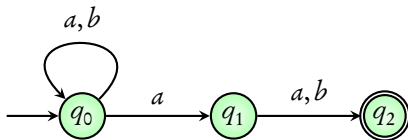




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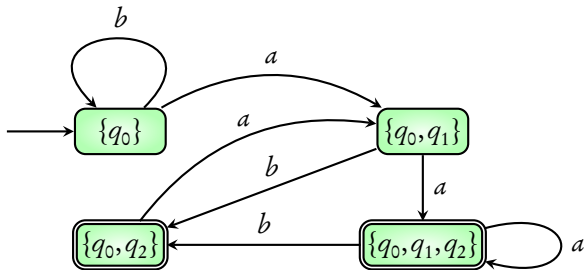
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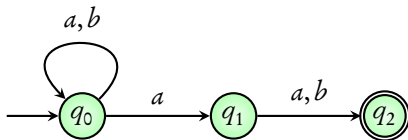




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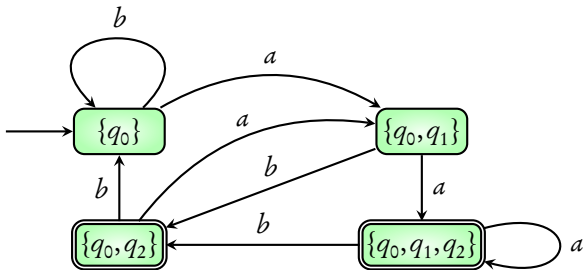
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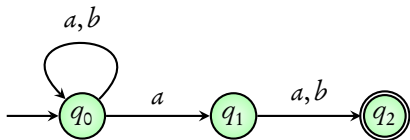




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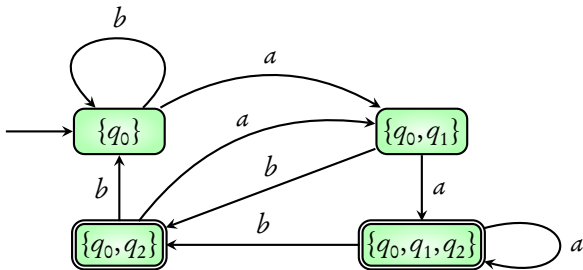
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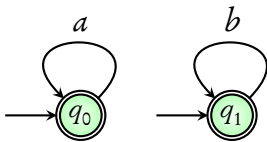


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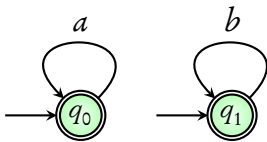
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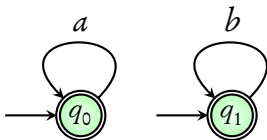


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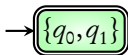
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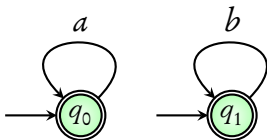
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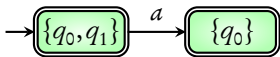
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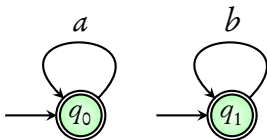




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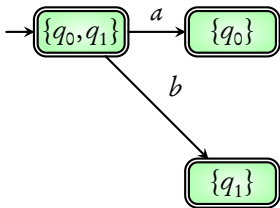
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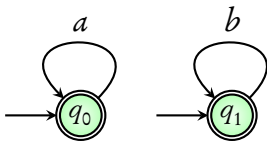




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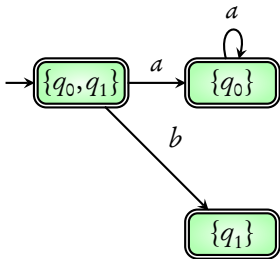
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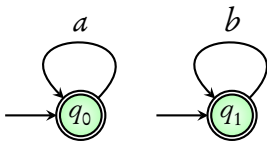




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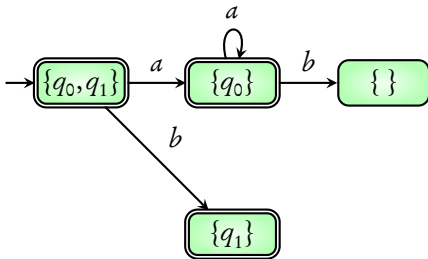
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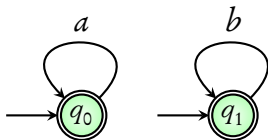




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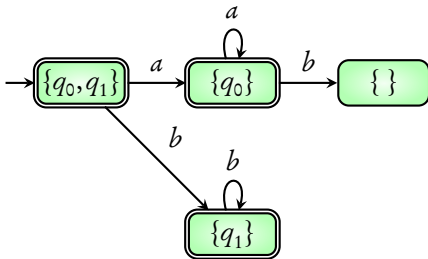
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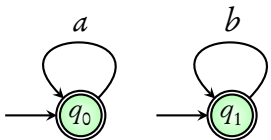




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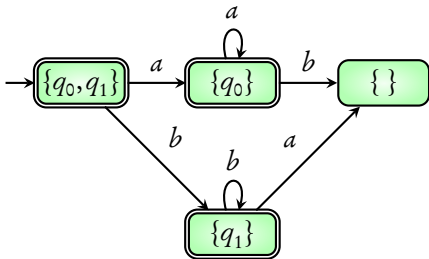
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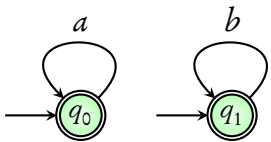




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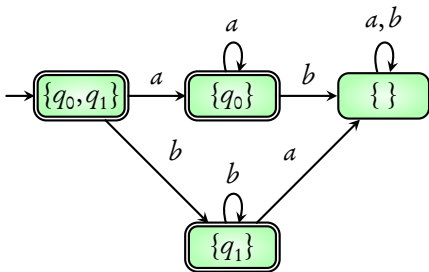
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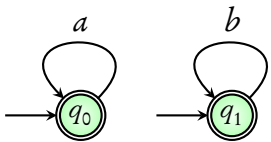




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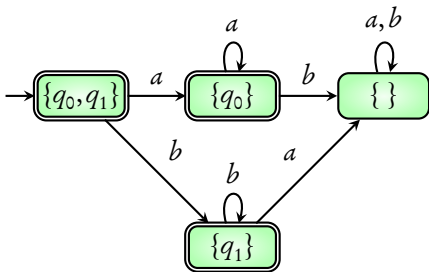
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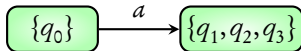
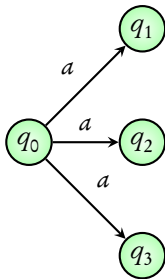
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DFA

Subset construction

Every NFA can be converted to an **equivalent** DFA



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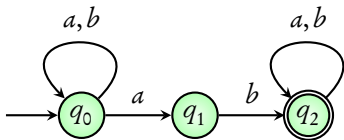
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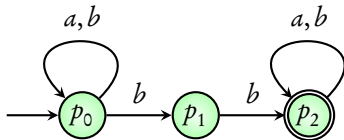
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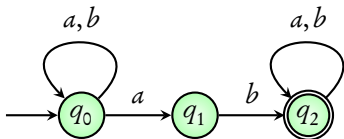
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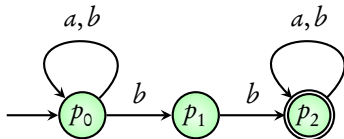
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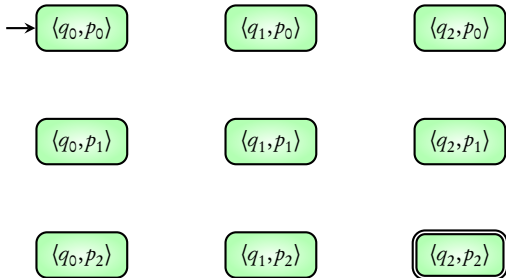
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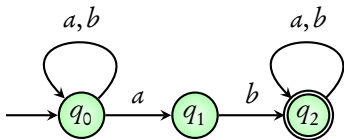


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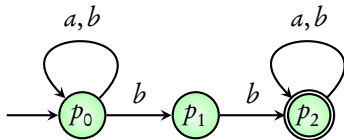


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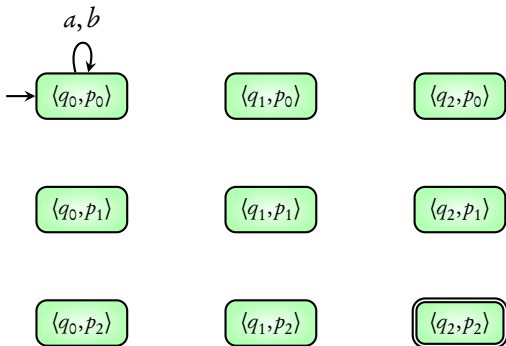


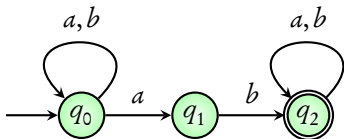


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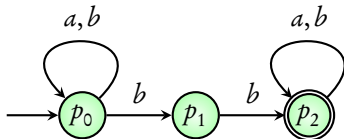


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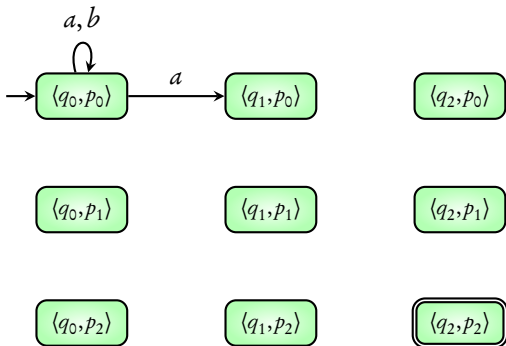


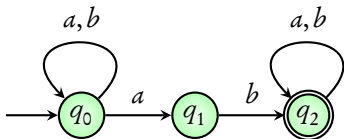


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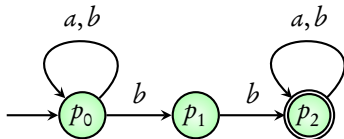


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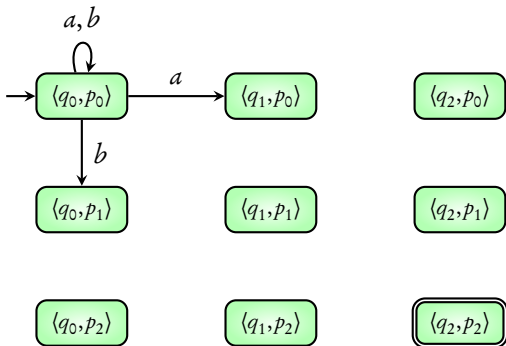


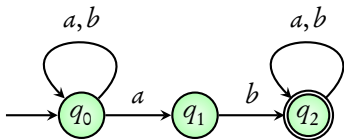


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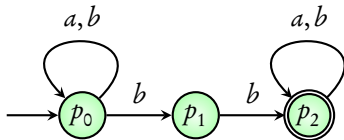


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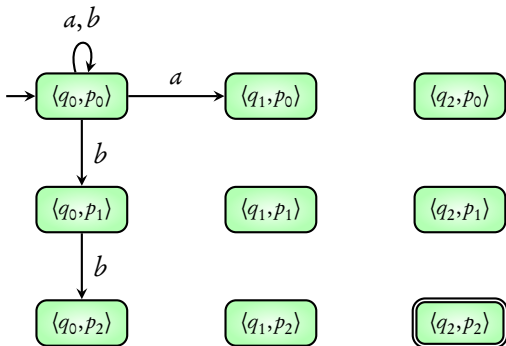


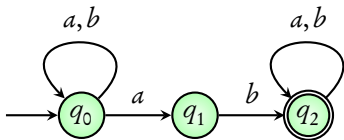


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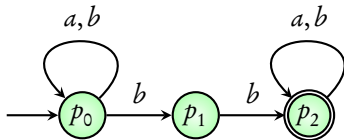


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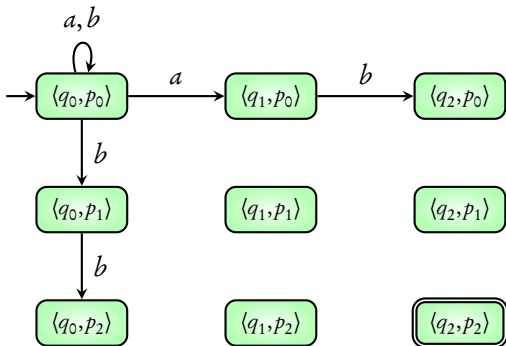


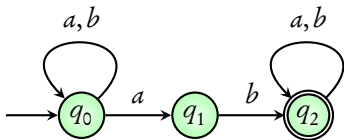


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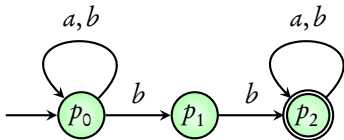


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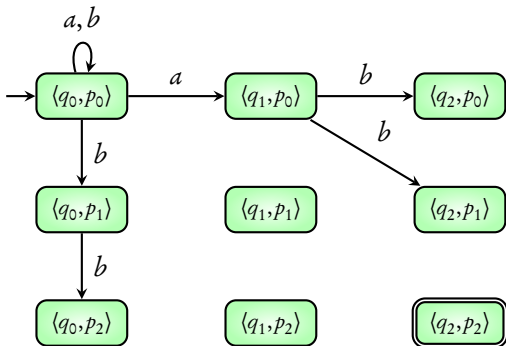


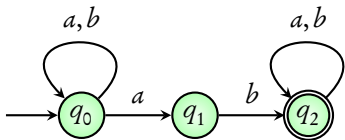


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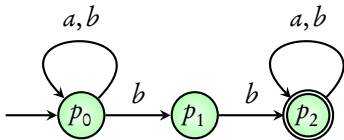


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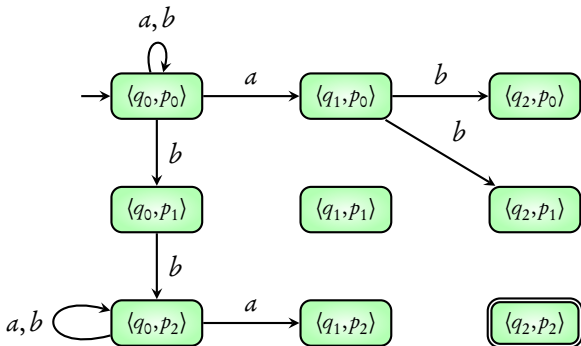


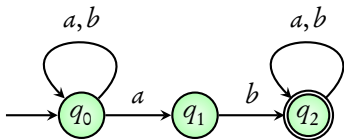


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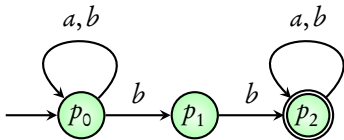


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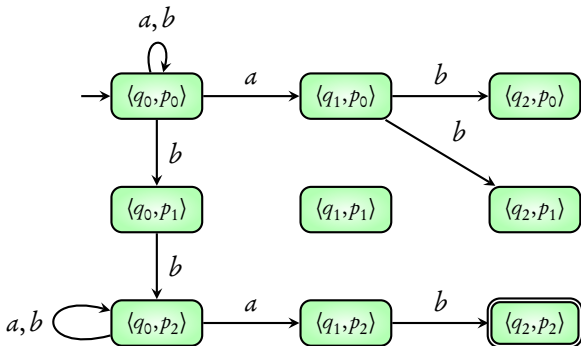


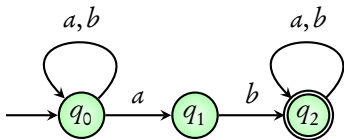


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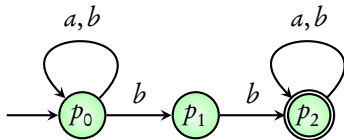


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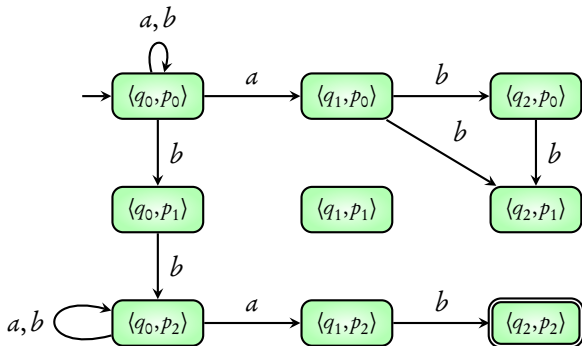


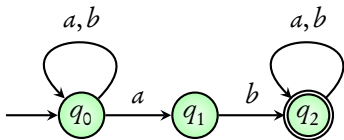


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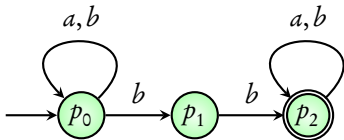


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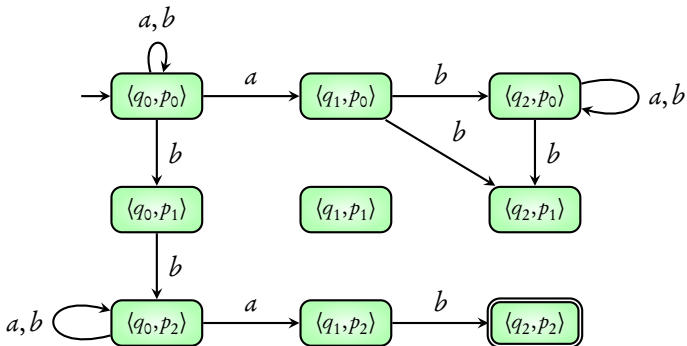


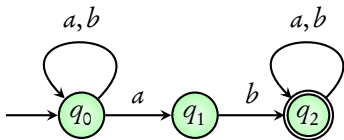


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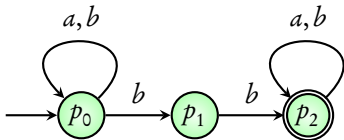


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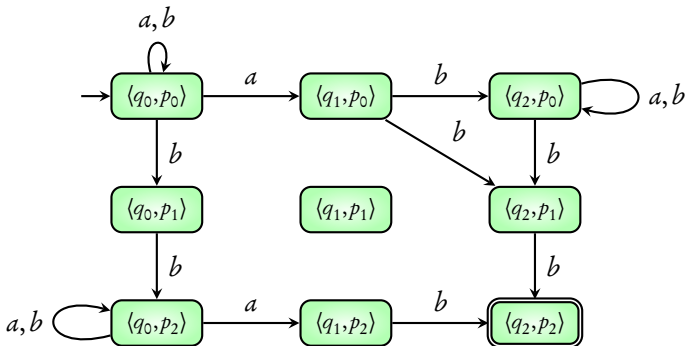


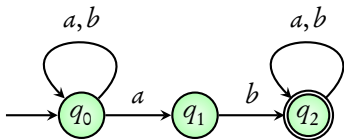


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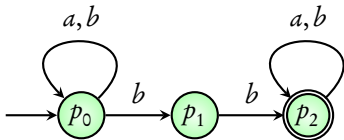


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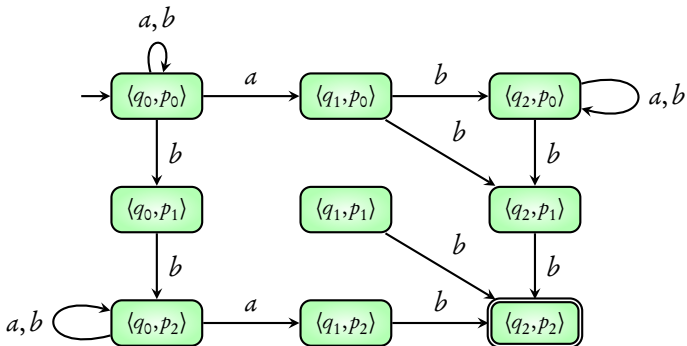


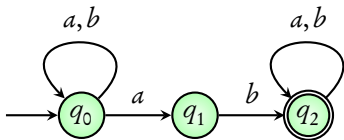


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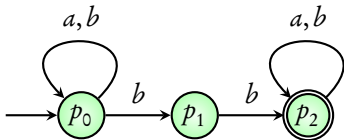


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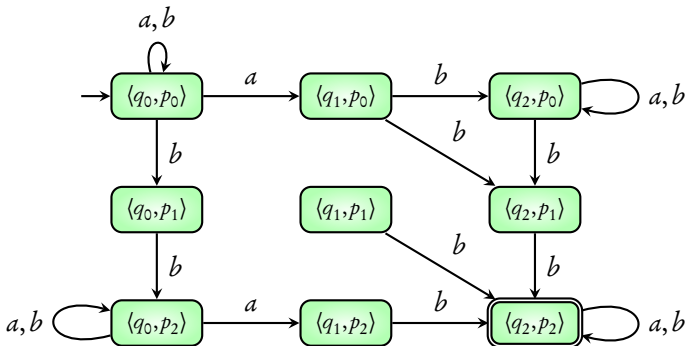


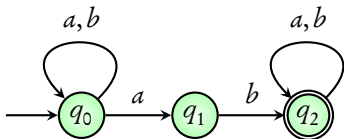


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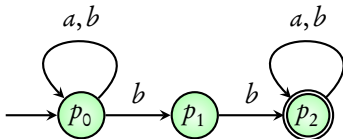


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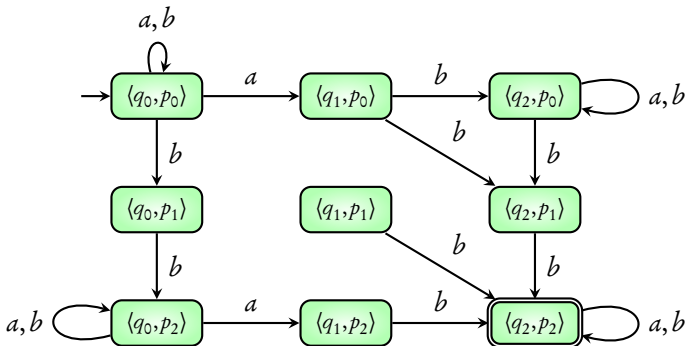




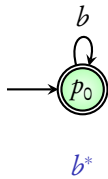
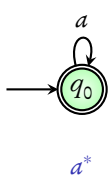
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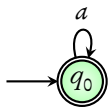


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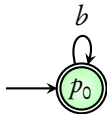


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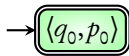


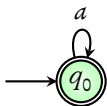


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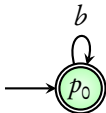


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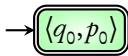




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$$a^* \cap b^* = \{ \epsilon \}$$

Synchronous product

Gives the **intersection** of the two languages

Determinization

Subset construction

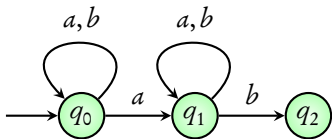
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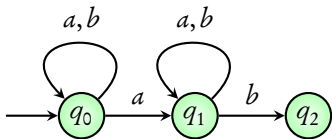
Intersection of languages

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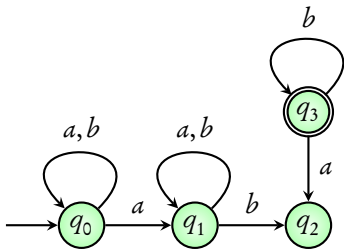
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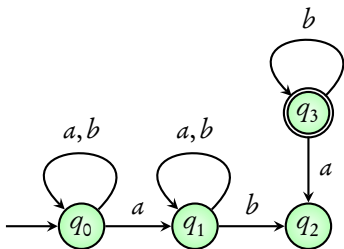
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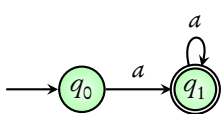


Language is empty as there is no accepting state

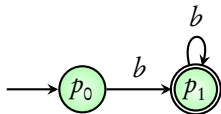




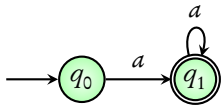
Language is empty as accepting state is **not reachable**



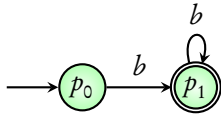
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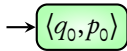
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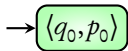
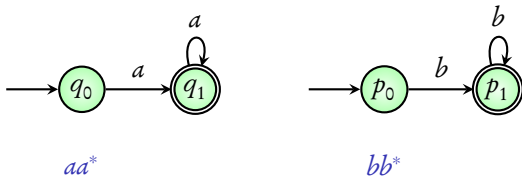


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Algorithm

Run a **depth-first** or **breadth-first search** to find if there is a path to an accepting state

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Intersection of languages

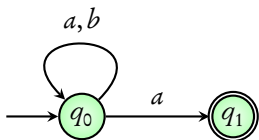
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Algorithm for emptiness

Complementation

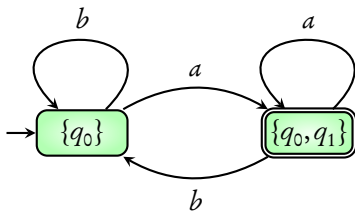
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NFA

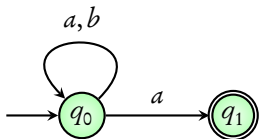


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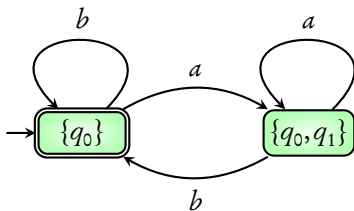
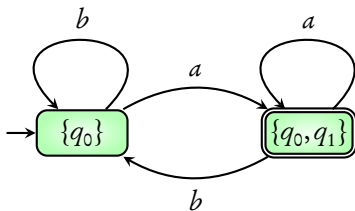


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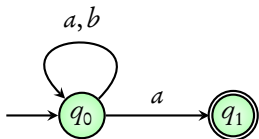


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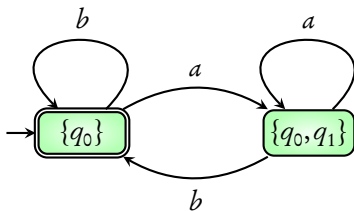
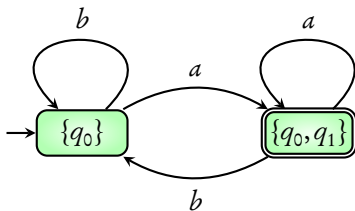


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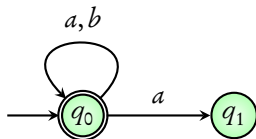
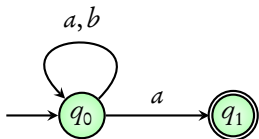
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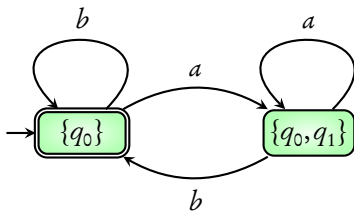
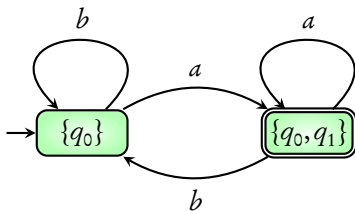
complement of Σ^*a

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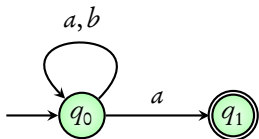
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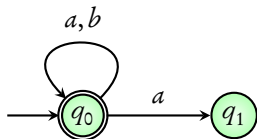


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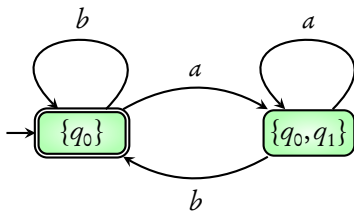
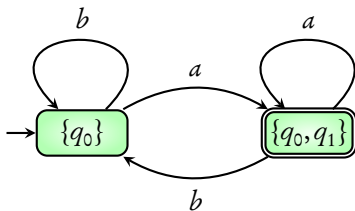


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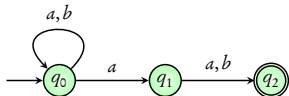
not the complement!

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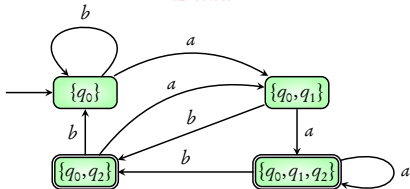
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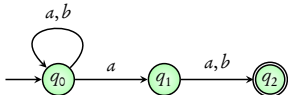


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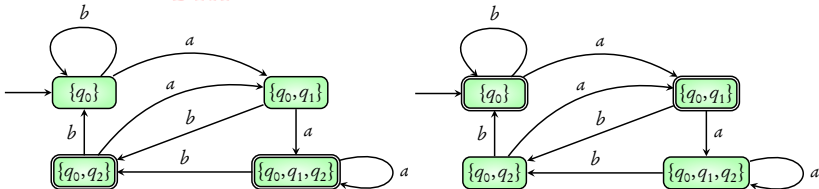


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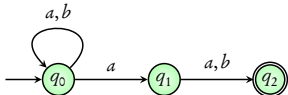


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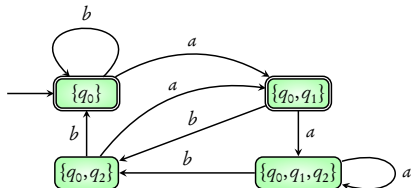
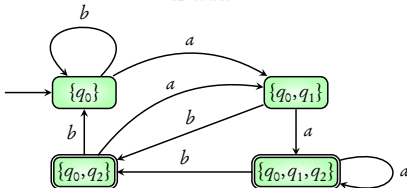


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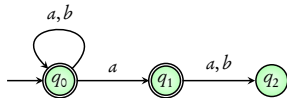
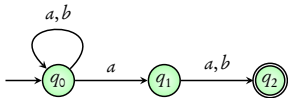
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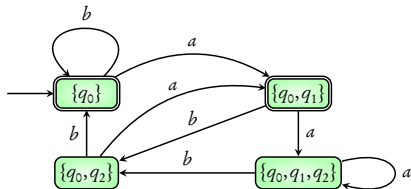
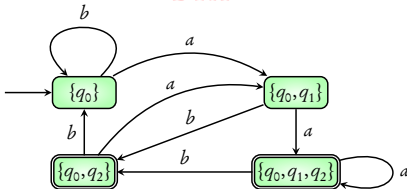
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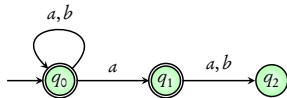
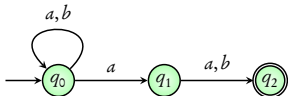
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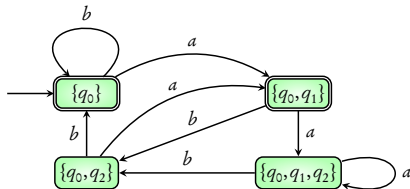
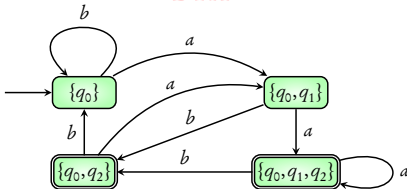
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DFA



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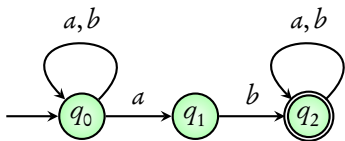
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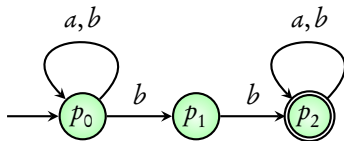
Interchange accepting and non-accepting states in a DFA

Does not work in the case of NFA

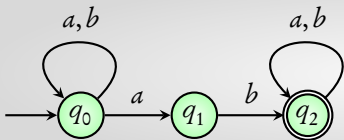
Coming next: Union of two regular languages



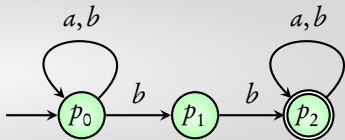
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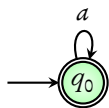


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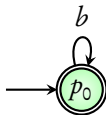


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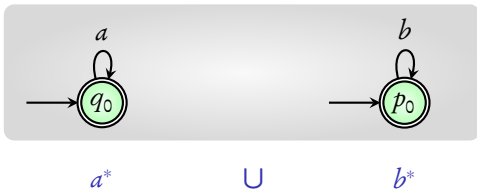
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a^*



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Union

Consider the two automata as a **single automaton**

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Unit-4: Regular properties

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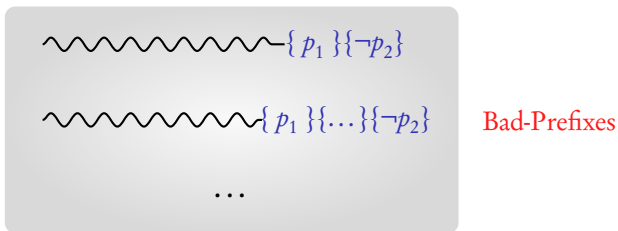
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Module 4:

Safety properties described by automata

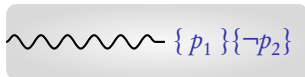
AP-INF = set of **infinite words** over $PowerSet(AP)$

P : a property over AP



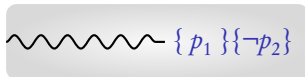
P is a safety property if there **exists** a set **Bad-Prefixes** such that
 P is the set of **all words** that **do not start** with a **Bad-Prefix**

Property 1: if p_1 is true, then p_2 should be true in the next step



BadPrefixes

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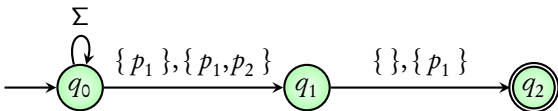
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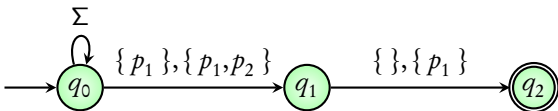


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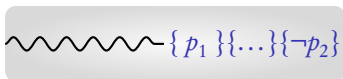
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This BadPrefixes set is a **regular language**

Property 2: if p_1 is true, then p_2 should be true in the next to next step




“BadPrefixes”

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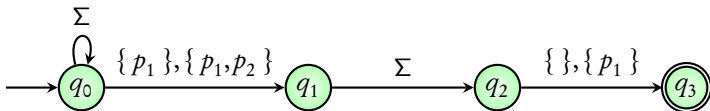
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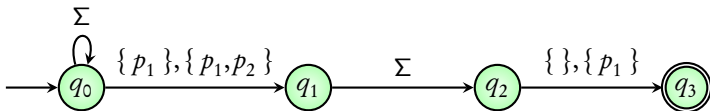
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Regular safety properties

A safety property is **regular** if the associated **BadPrefixes** set is a **regular language**

Invariants are **regular safety properties**

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 “Bad-Prefixes”

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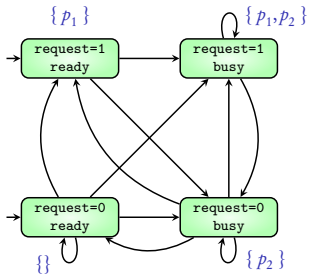
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Coming next: An algorithm to model-check safety properties

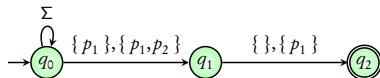
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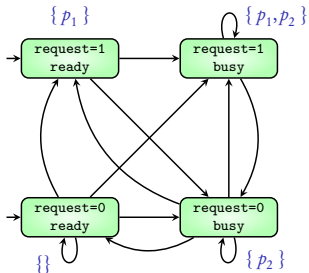


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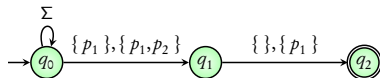
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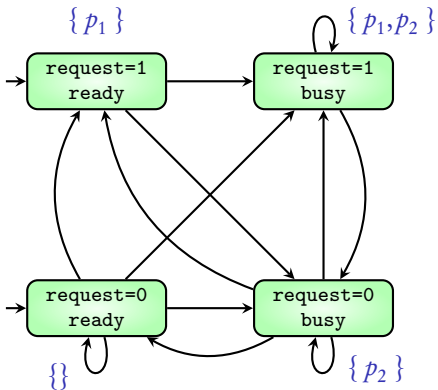
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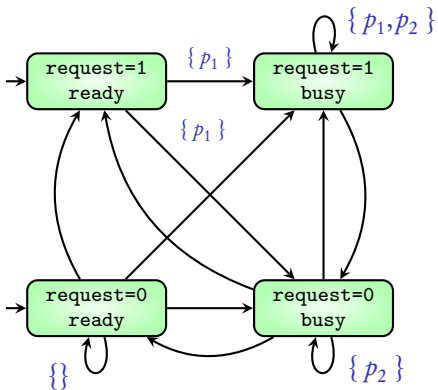


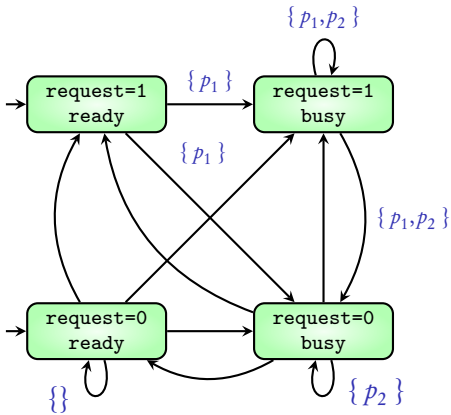
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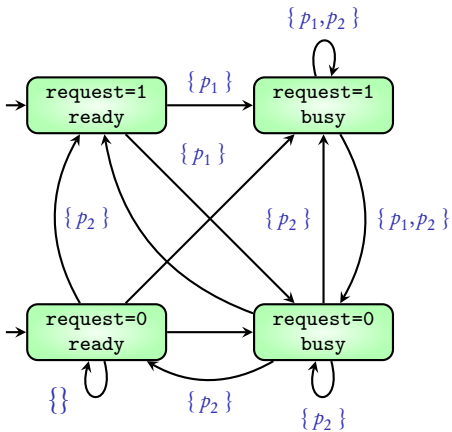
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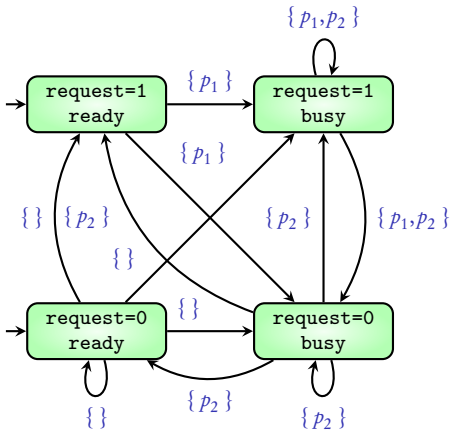
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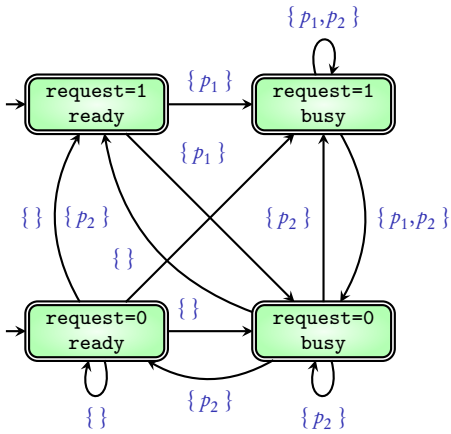




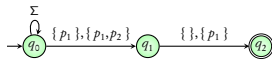
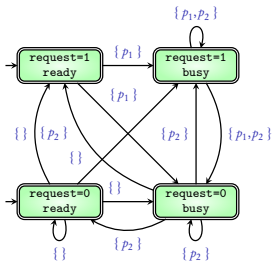


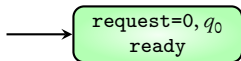
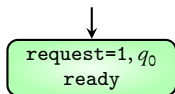
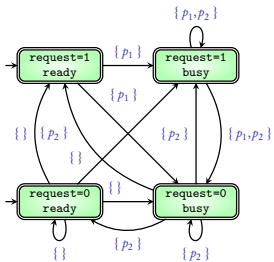


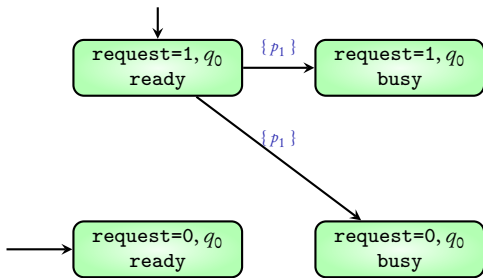
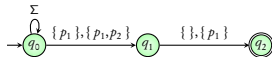
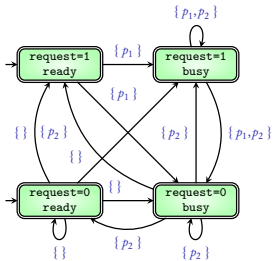


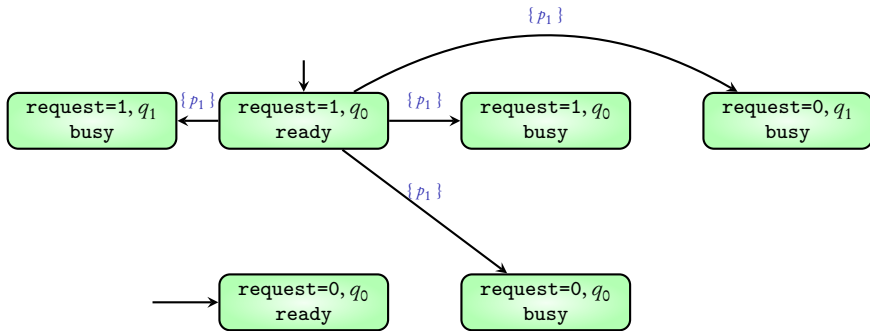
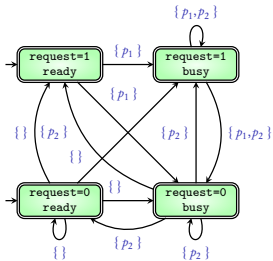


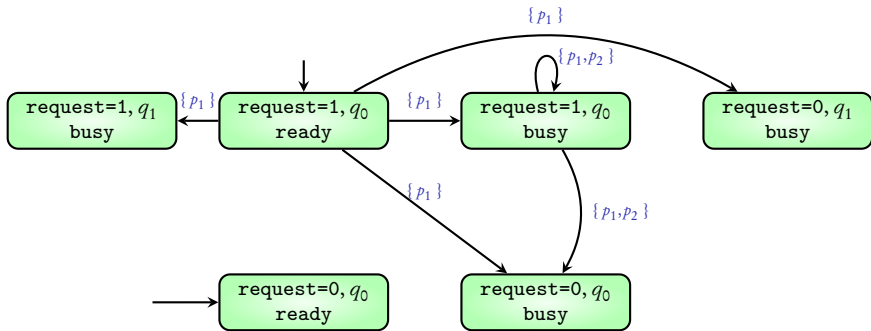
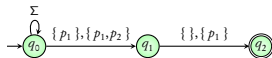
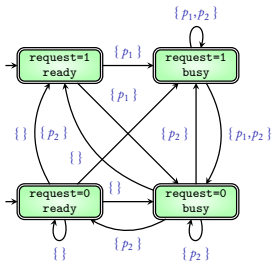
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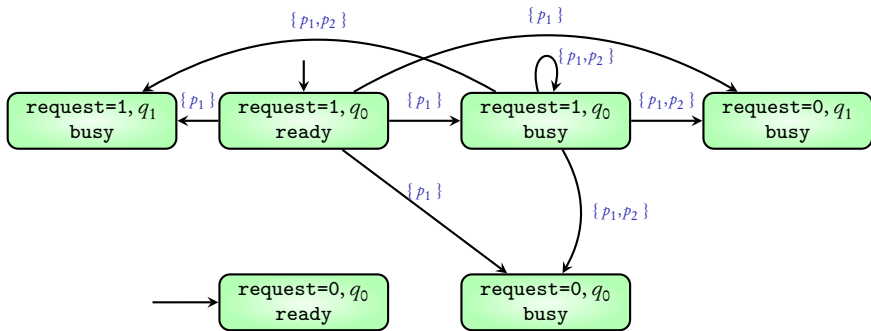
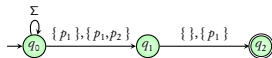
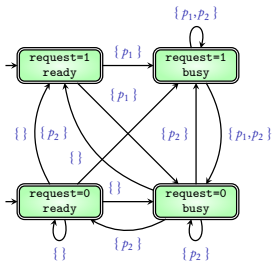


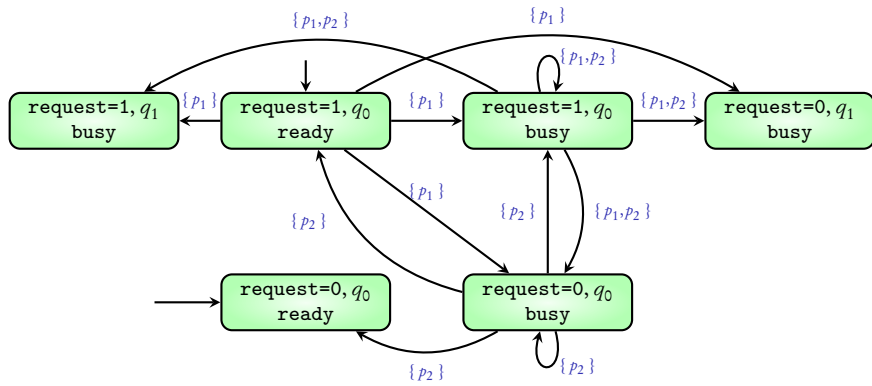
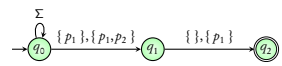
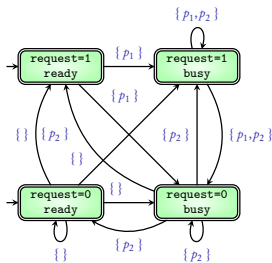


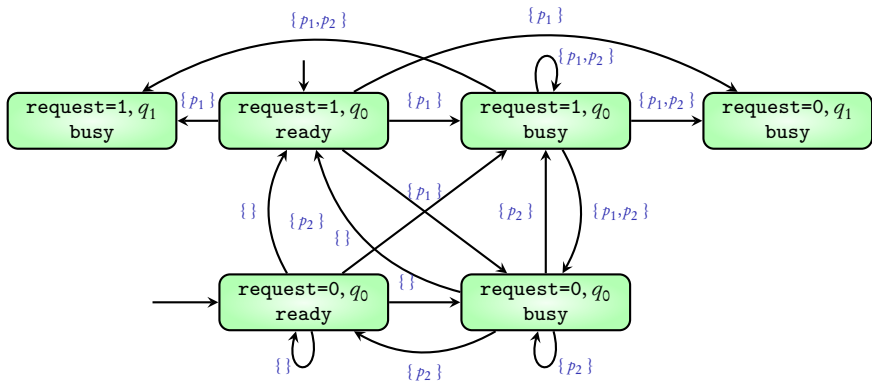
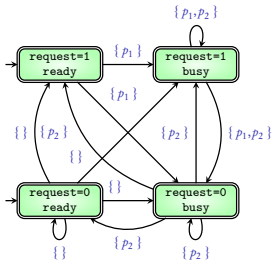












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Regular safety properties

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Algorithm

Unit-4: Regular properties

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Summary

- ▶ Introduction to automata
- ▶ Simple properties of automata
- ▶ Regular safety properties
- ▶ Algorithm for regular safety properties

Important concepts: NFA, DFA, subset construction, synchronous product, complementation

