

Computation Tree Logic

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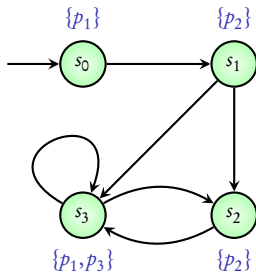
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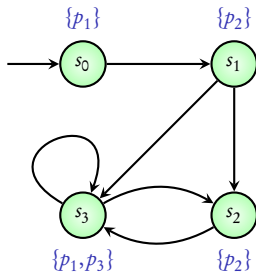
Module 1:

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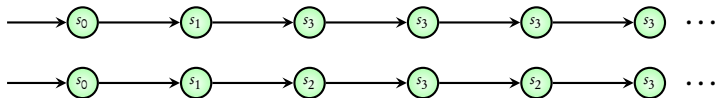
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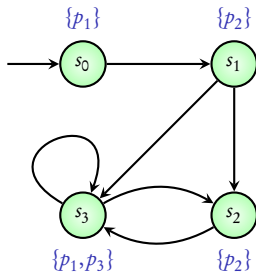
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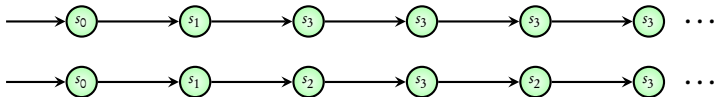
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Traces

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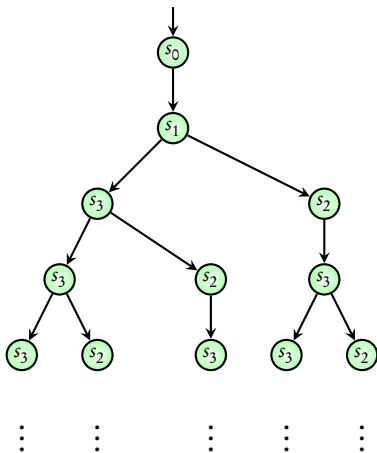
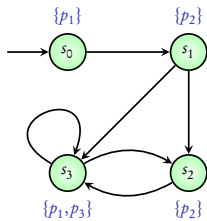
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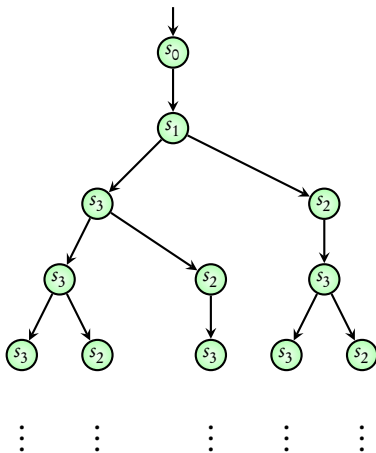
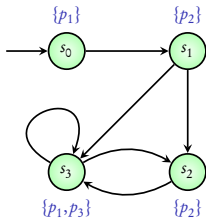
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... obtained by repeatedly **unfolding** it



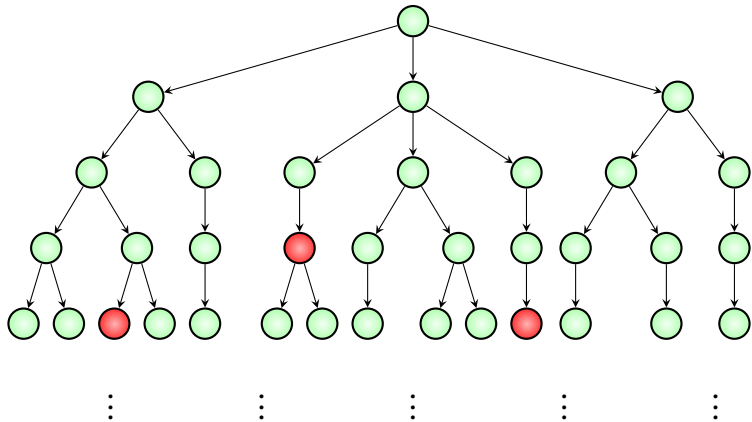
Computation tree



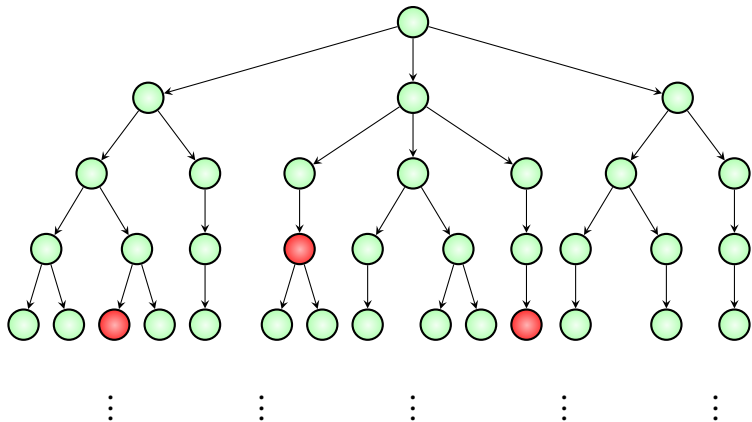
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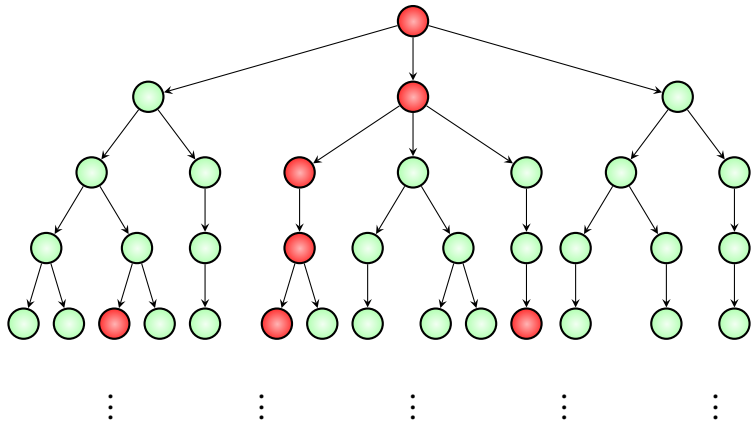
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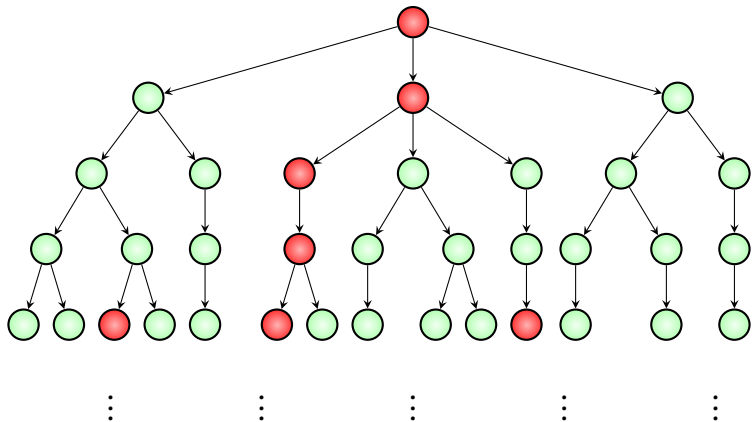


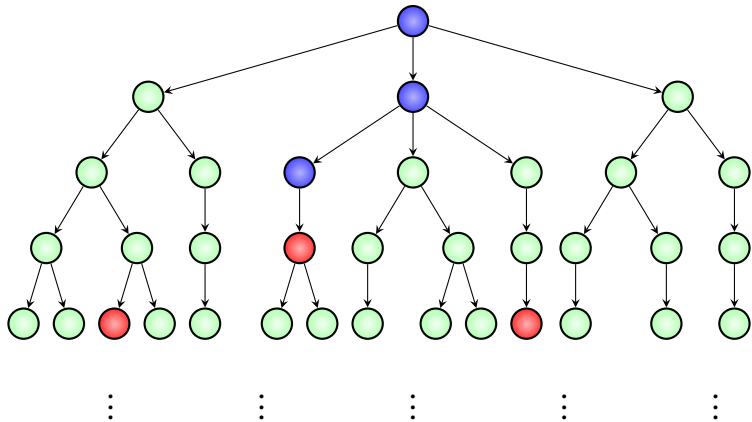
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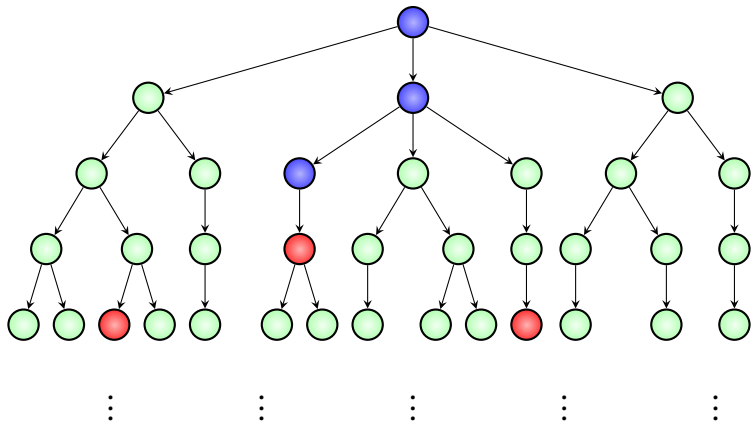


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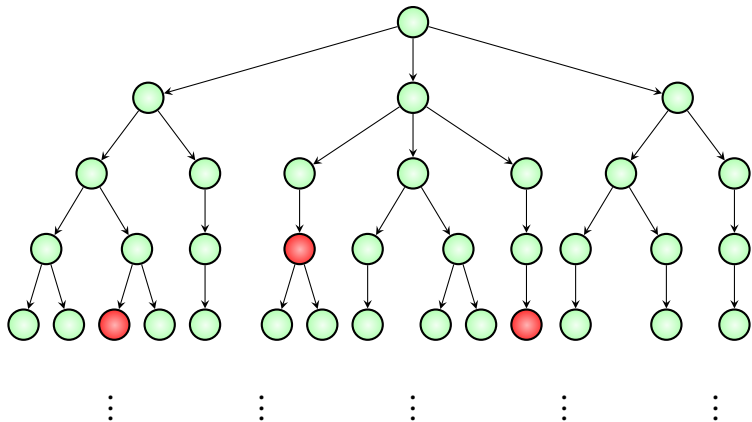
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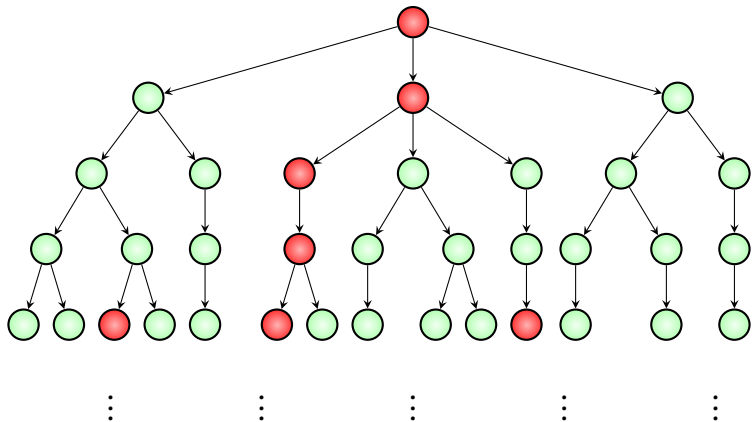
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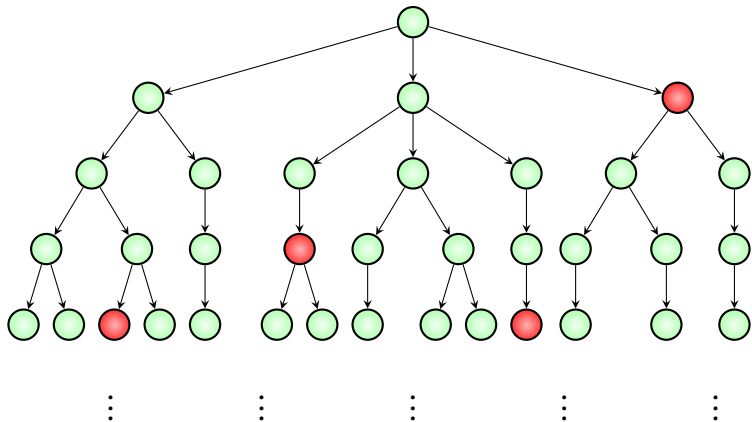
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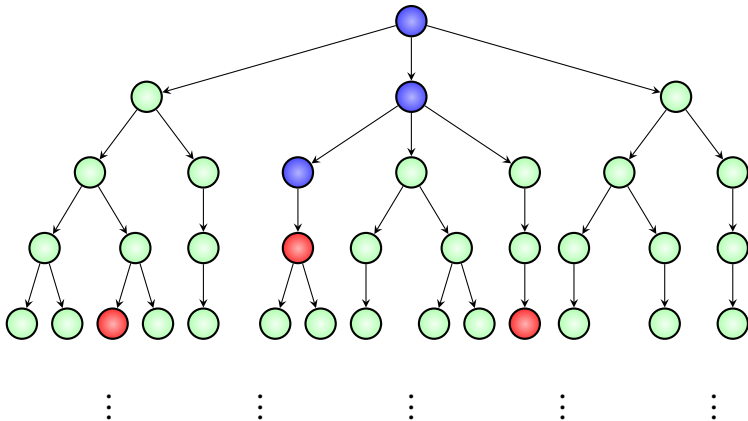
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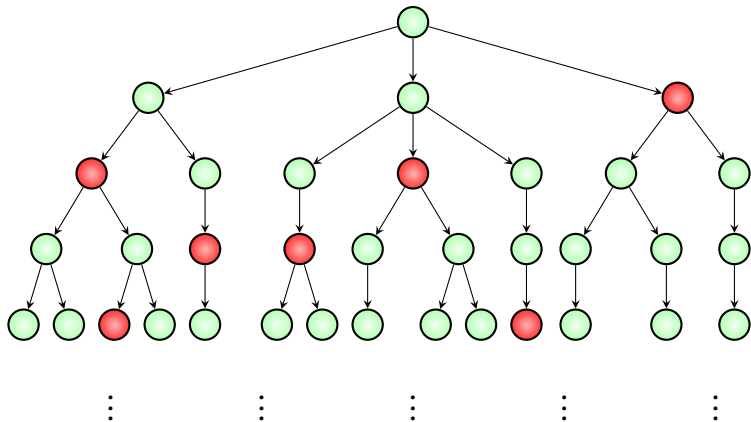
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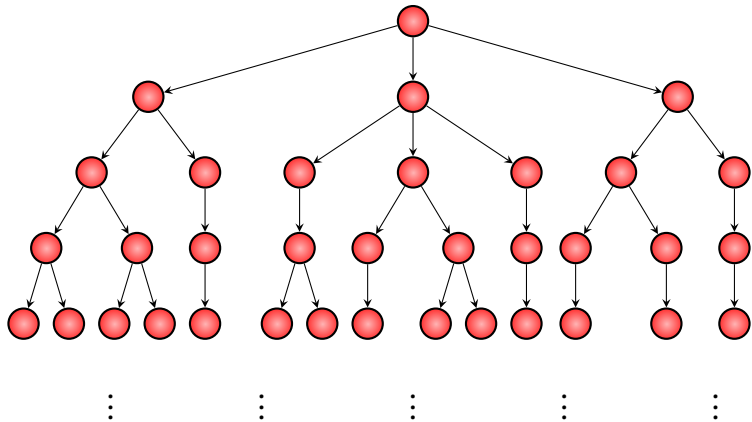


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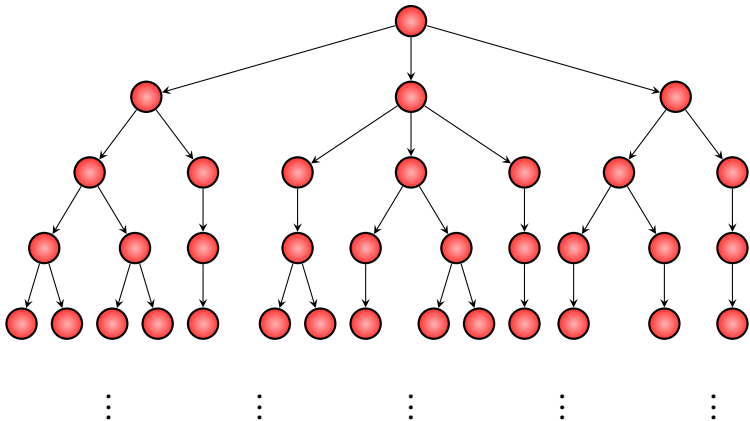


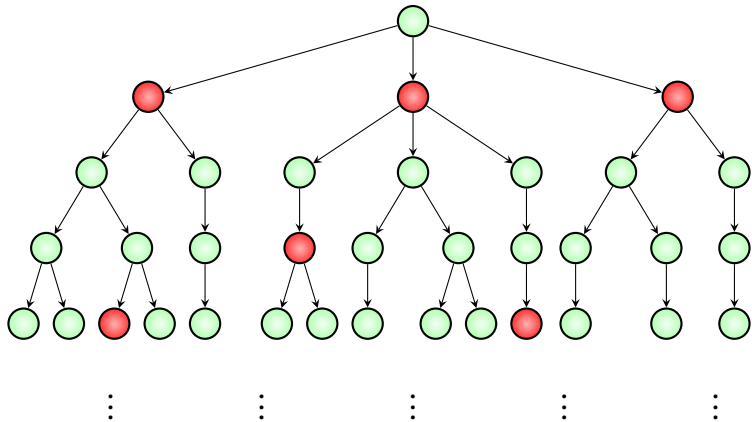
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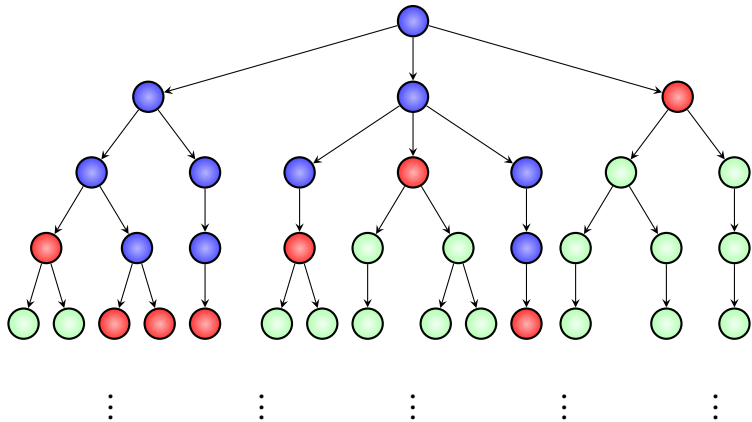




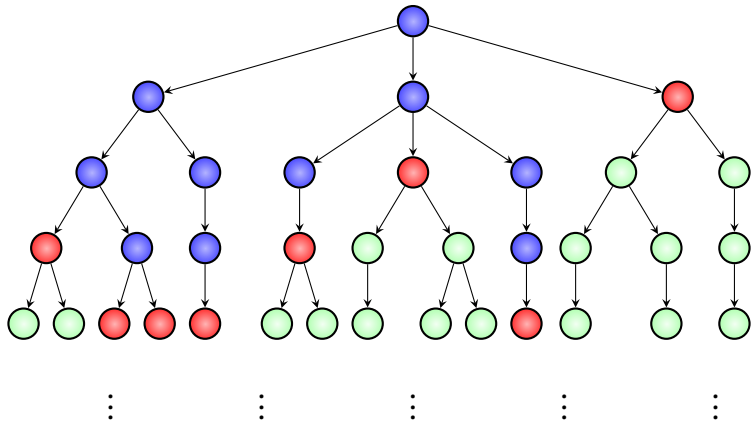
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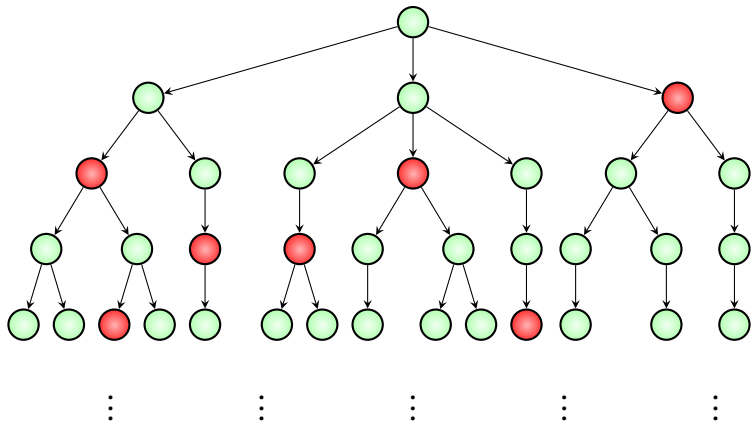
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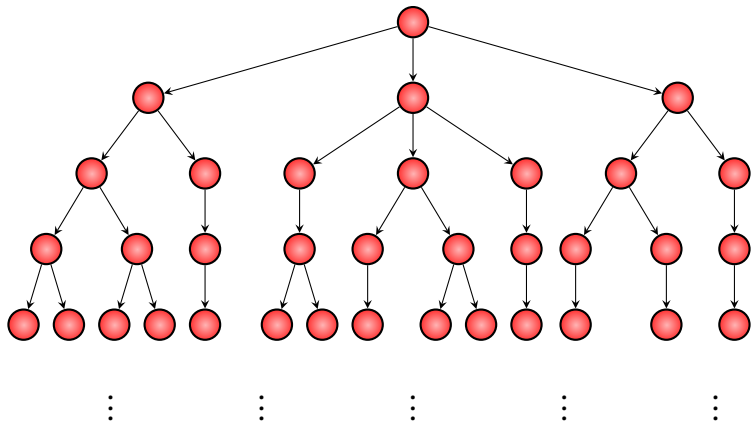
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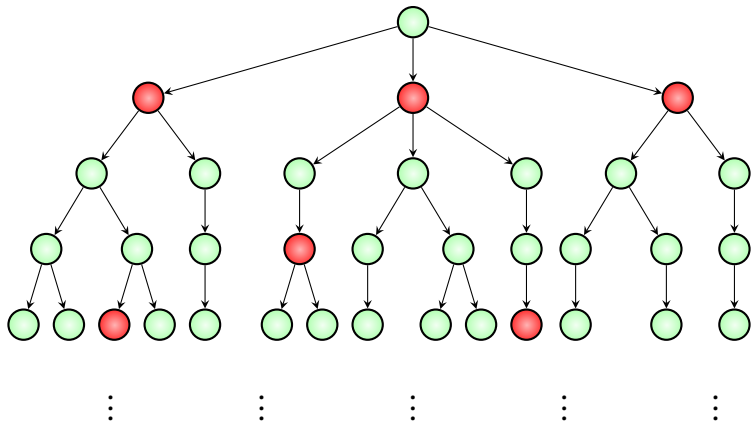
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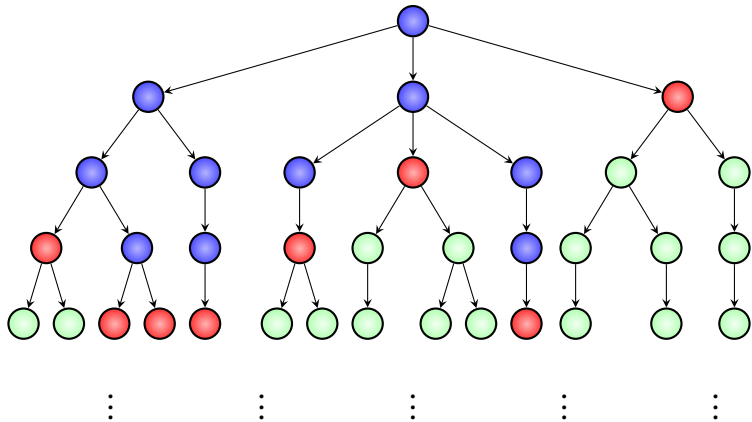
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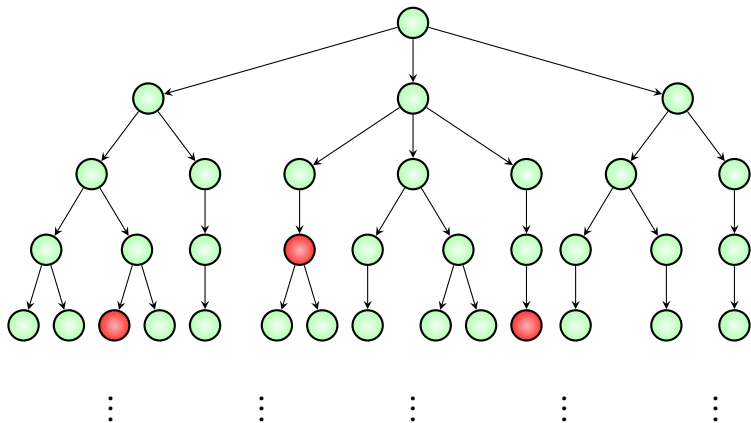
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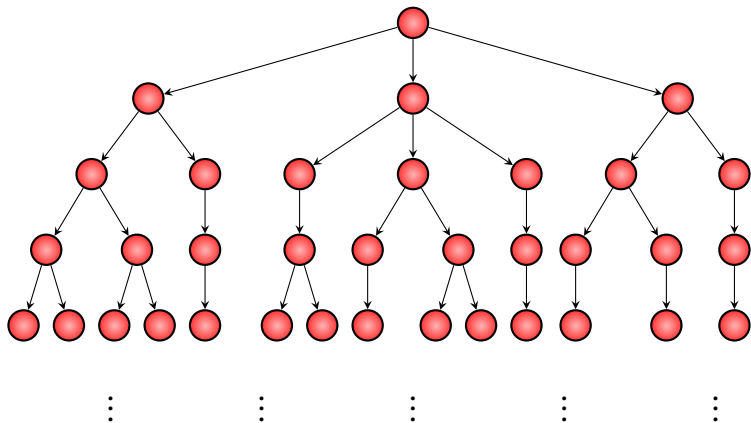
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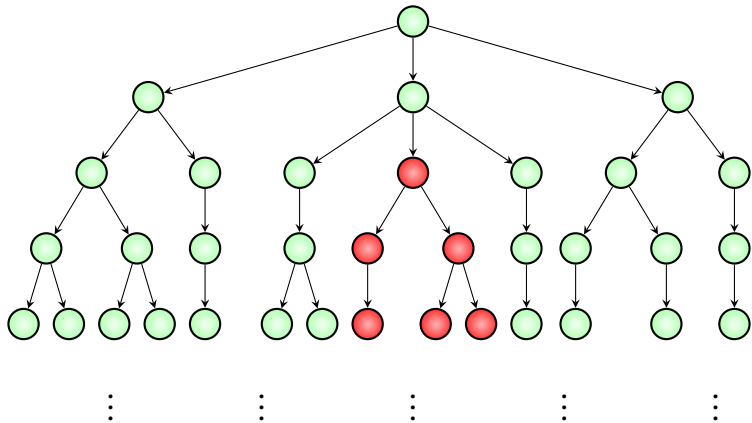
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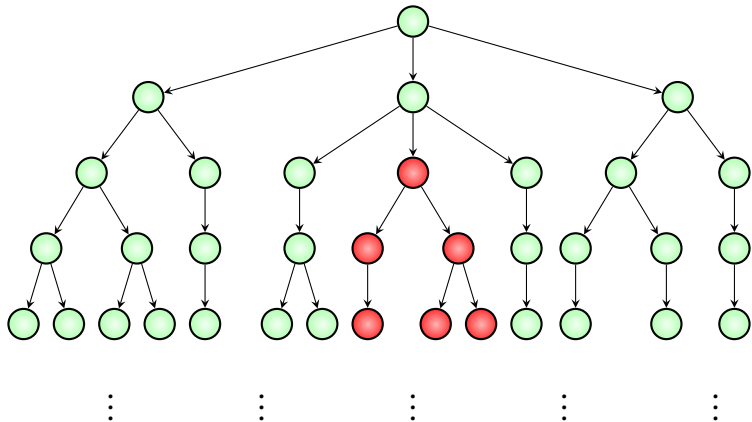
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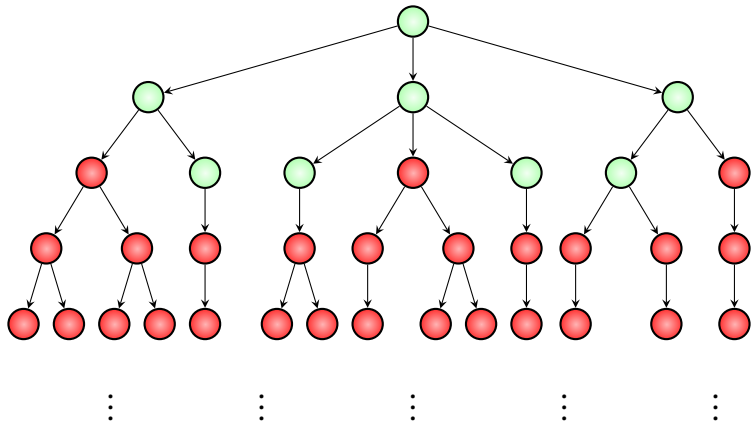




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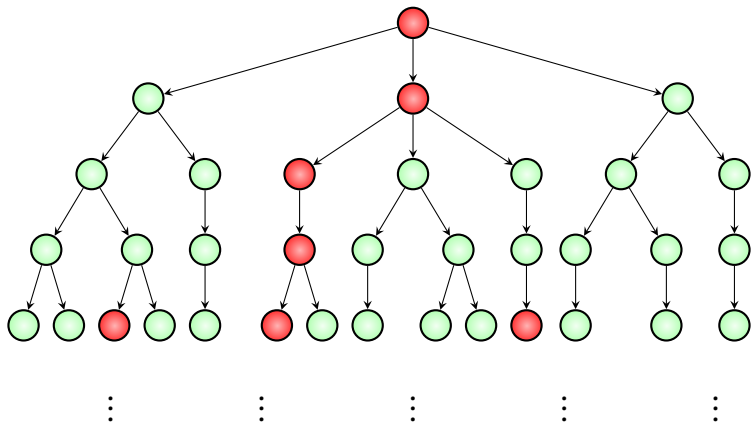


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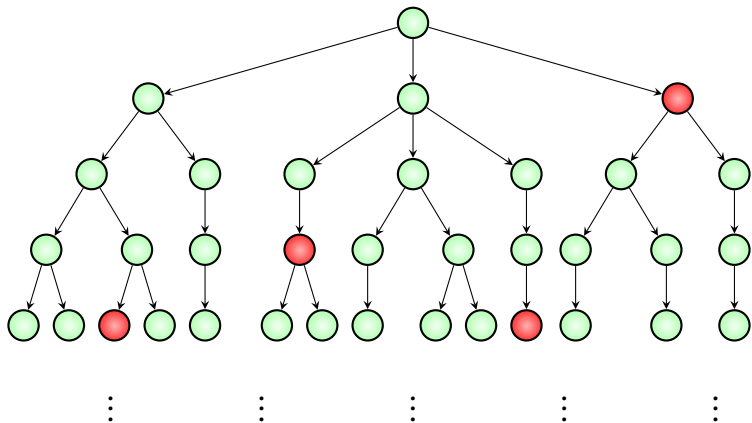
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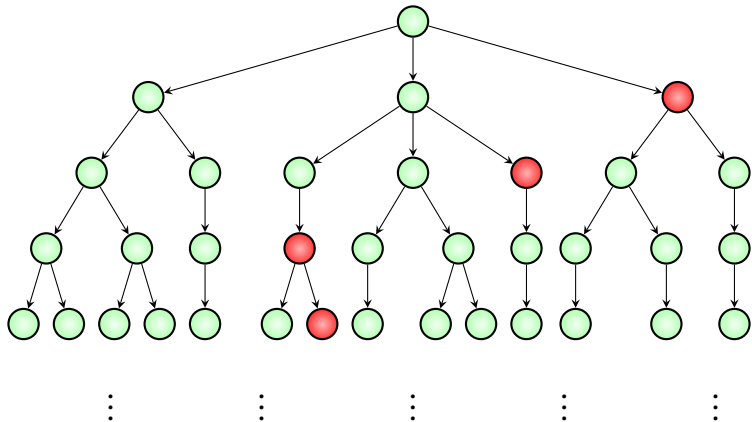


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Summary

Transition system as a tree

Computation tree

E and A operators

Module 2:

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Recap

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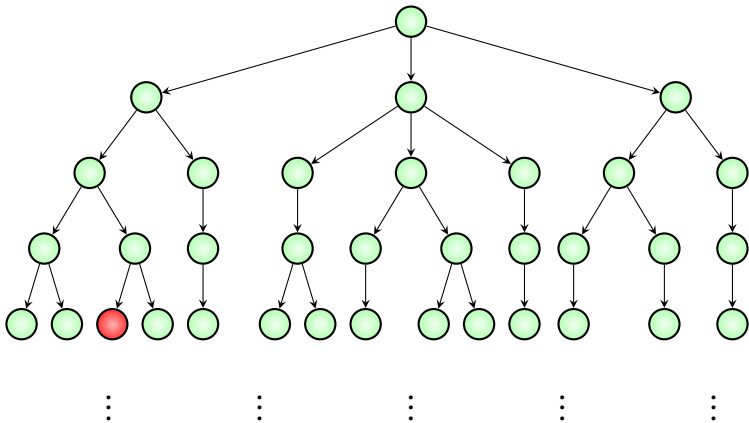
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Coming next: A logic for expressing properties on trees

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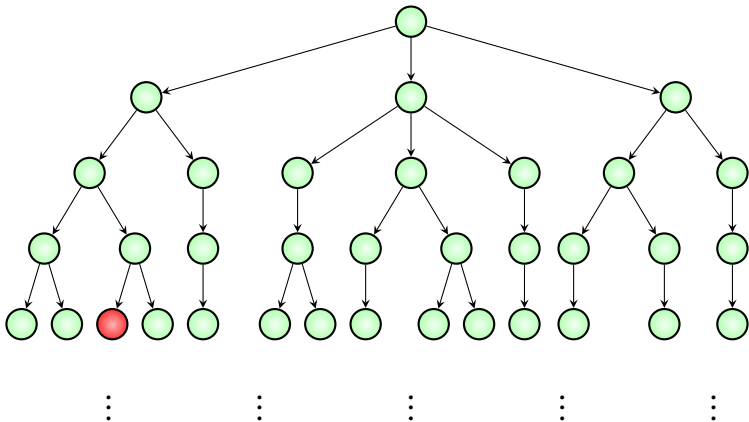
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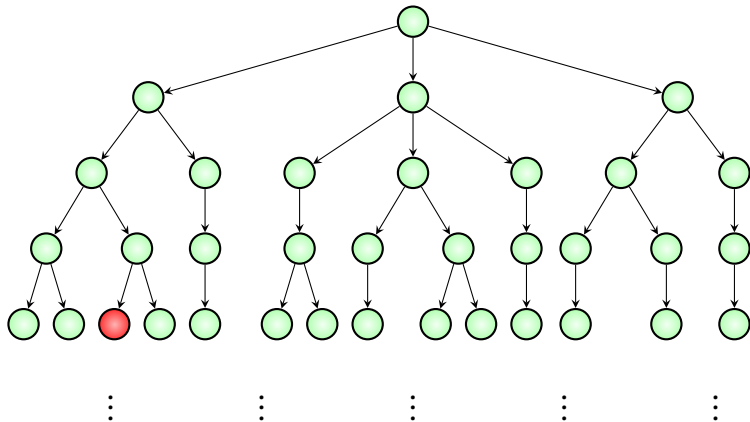
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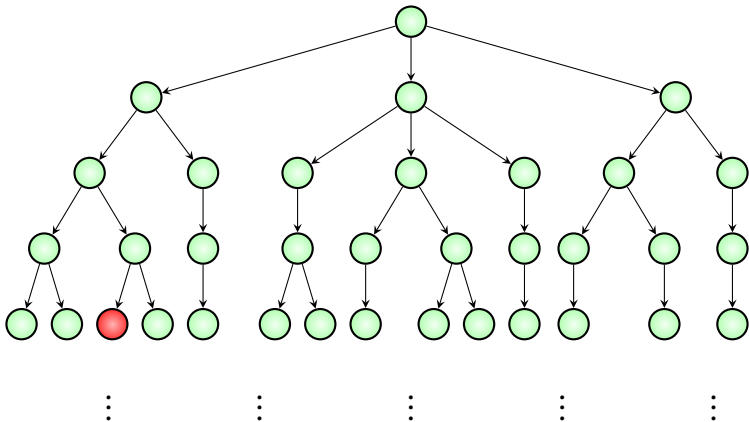
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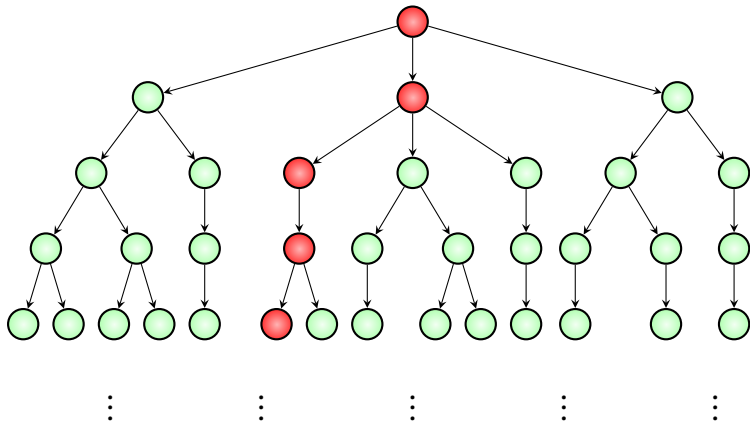
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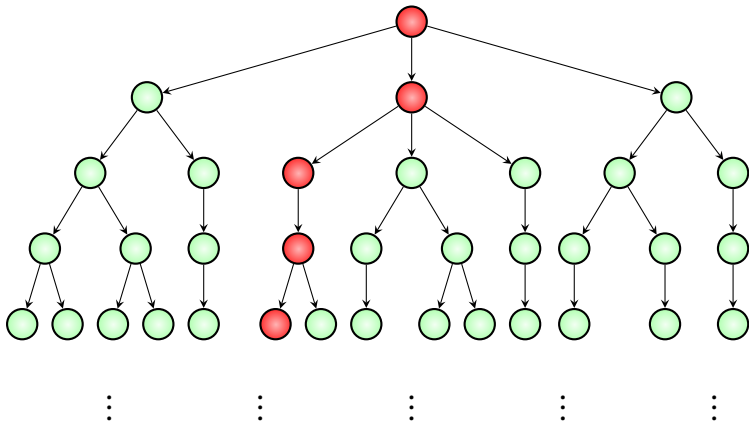
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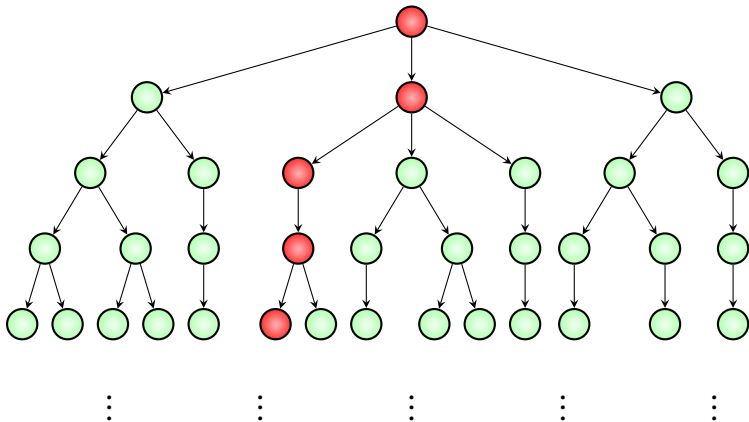


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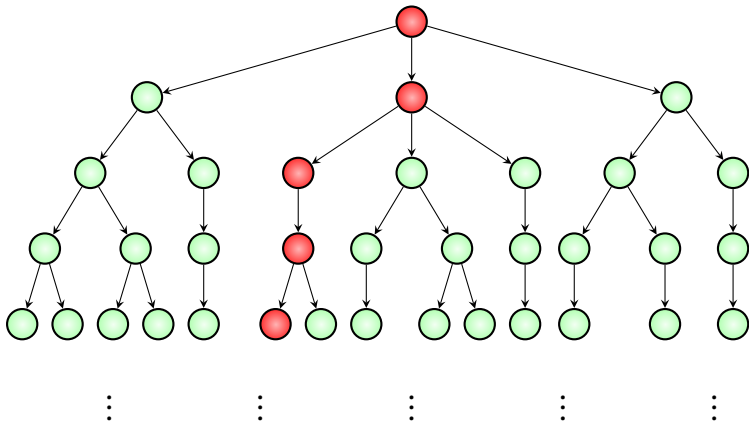


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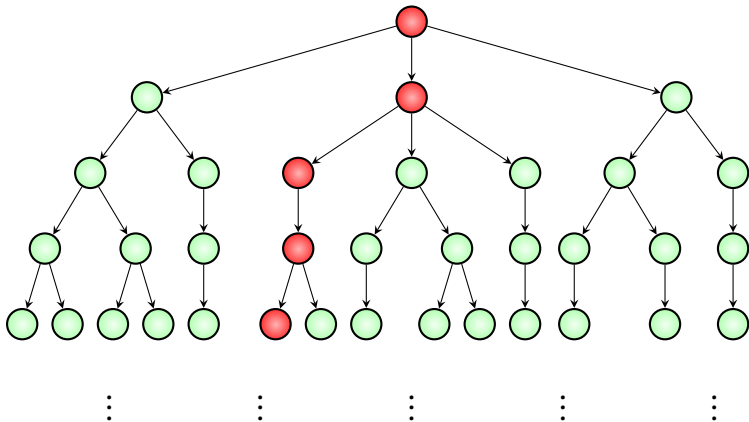


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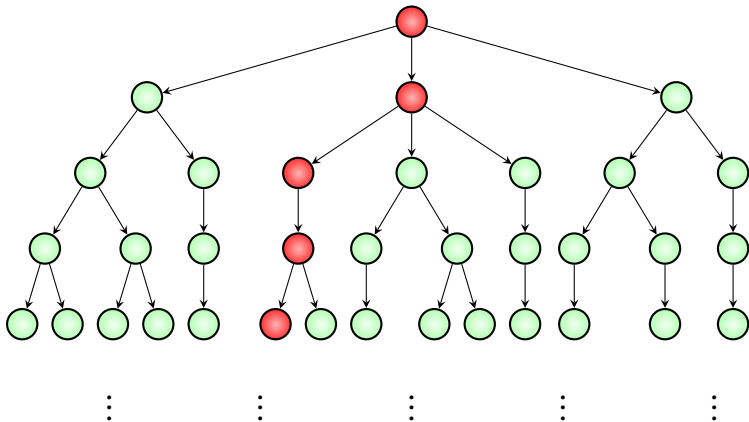


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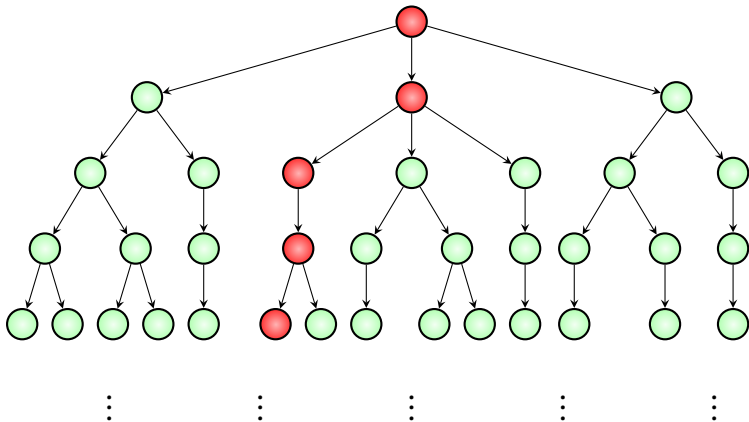


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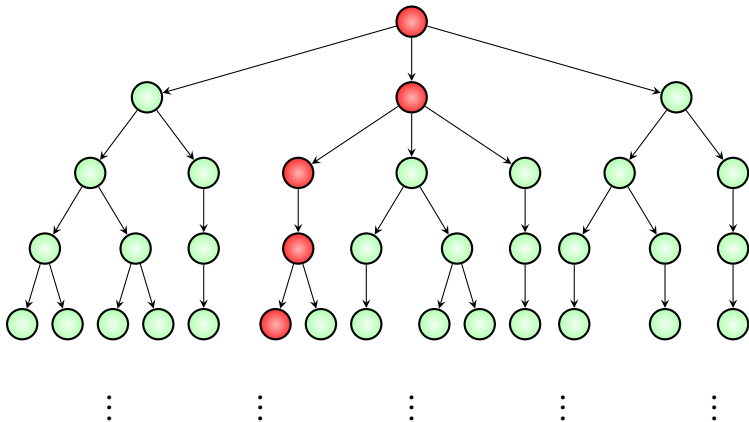


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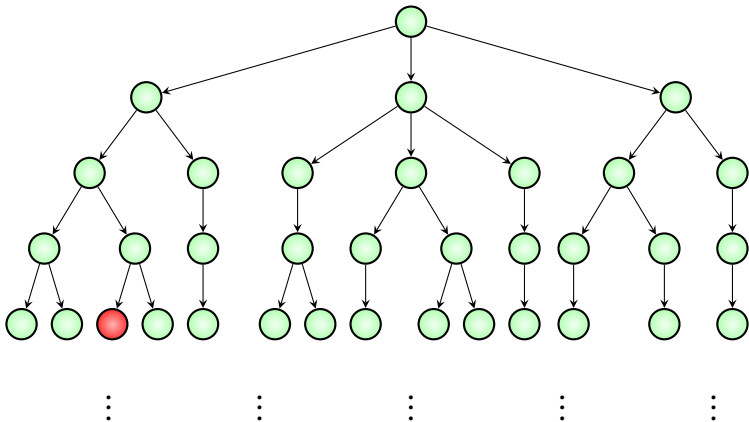
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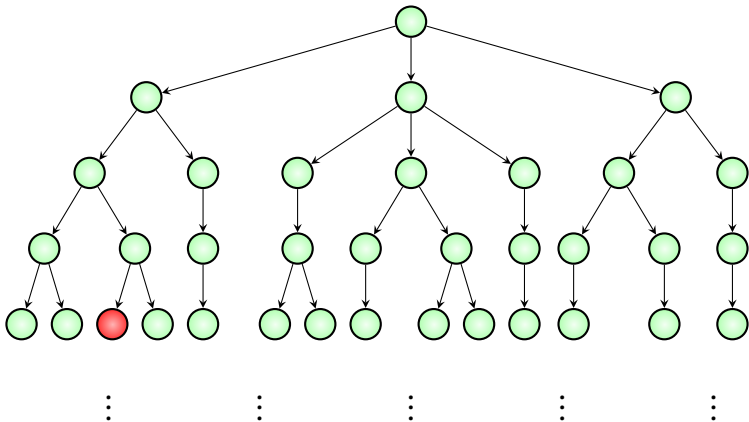
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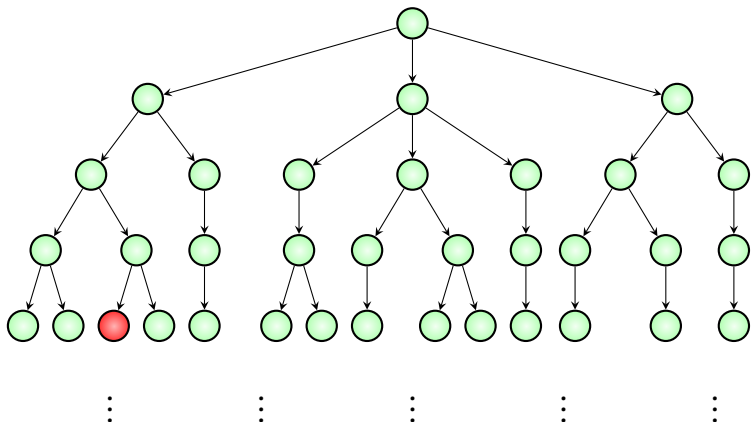
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Examples: $E F p_1$, $A F A G p_1$, $A F G p_2$, $A p_1$, $A E p_1$

When does a **state** in a tree satisfy a **state formula**?



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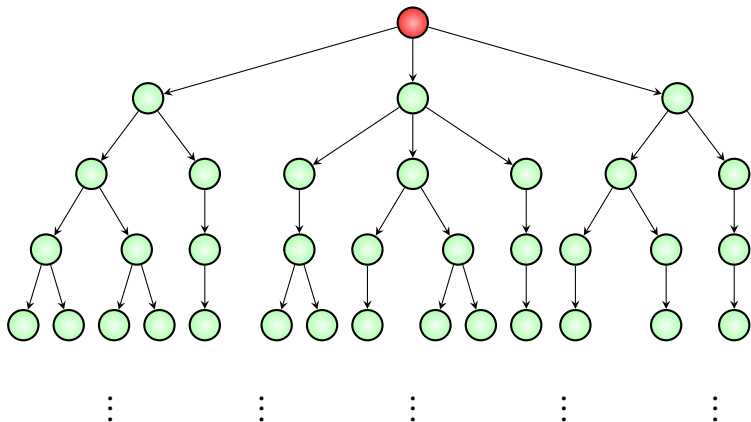
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- ▶ **Path** satisfies ϕ if the **initial state** of the path satisfies ϕ
- ▶ Rest **standard** semantics like LTL

A tree satisfies state formula ϕ if its root satisfies ϕ



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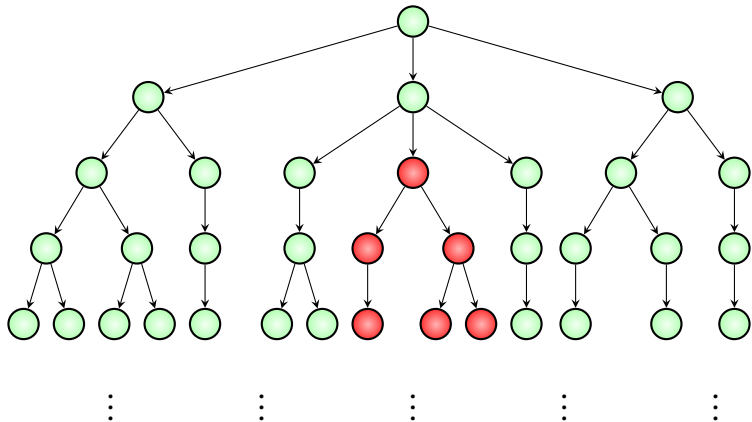
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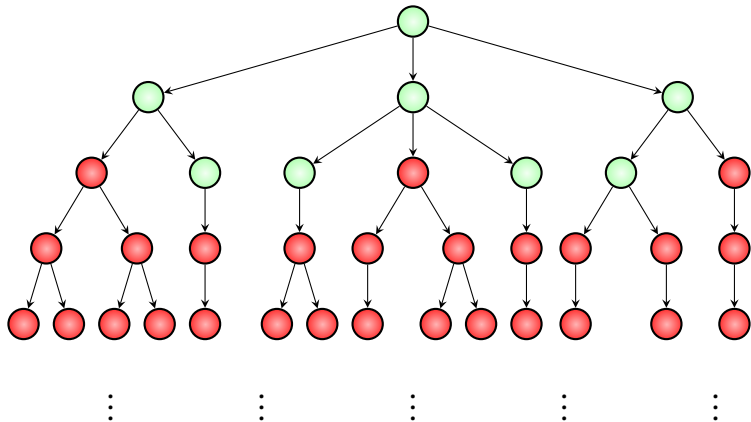
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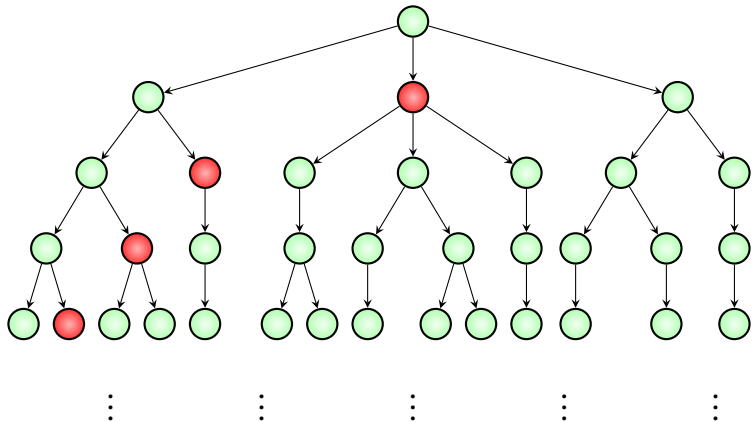
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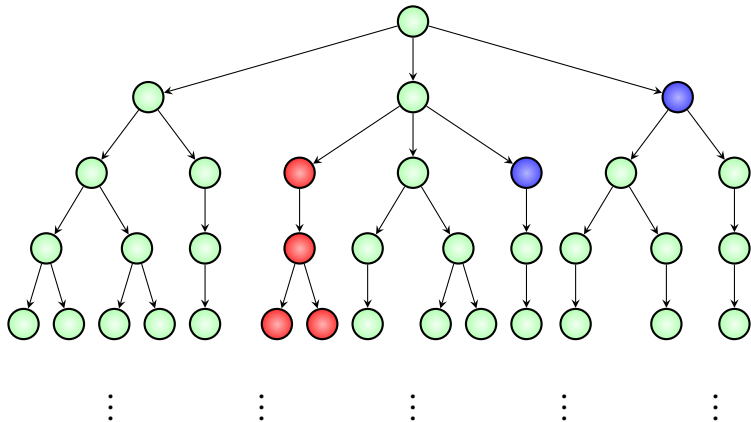
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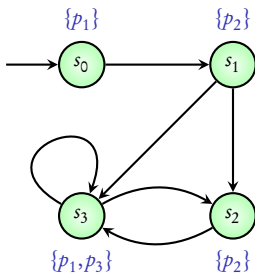
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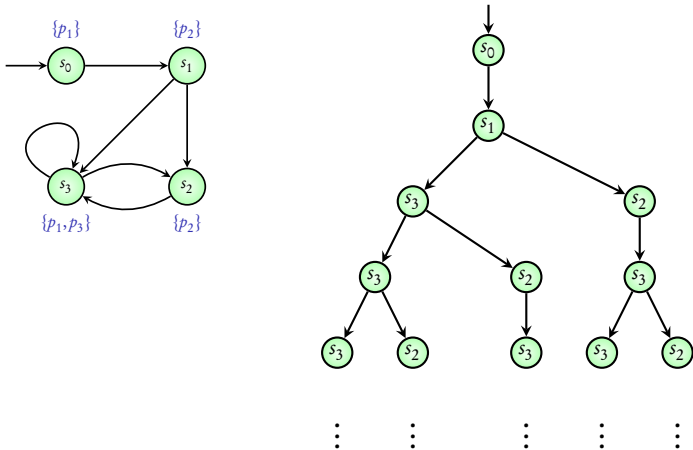
E (E X *blue*) U (A G *red*)



When does a **transition system** satisfy a CTL* formula?



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Can LTL properties be written using CTL*?

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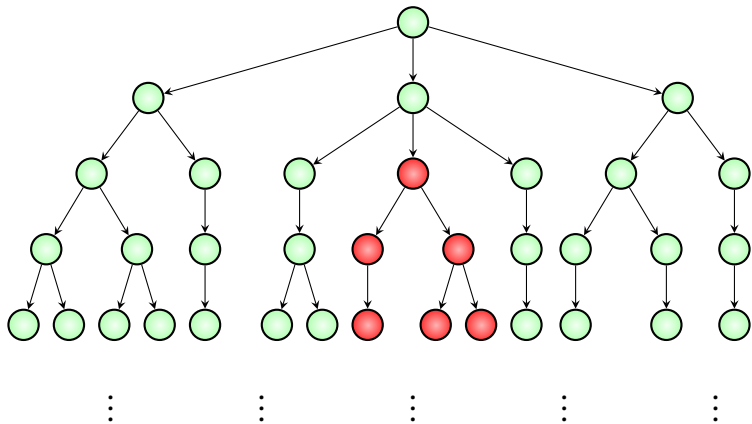
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Can CTL* properties be written using LTL?

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Answer: No

E F A G (*red*)



Cannot be expressed in LTL

Summary

CTL*

Syntax and semantics

State formulae, Path formulae

LTL properties \subseteq CTL* properties

Module 3:

CTL

In this module...

Restrict to a **subset** of CTL* which has **efficient model-checking algorithms**

CTL*

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Every temporal operator X, U, F, G has a corresponding A or E

CTL

Syntax: Restricted form of CTL*

Semantics: Same as seen in CTL*

Example

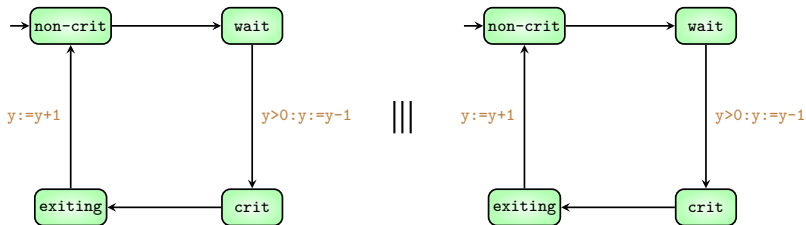
Atomic propositions $AP = \{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\}$

p_1 : pr1.location=crit

p_2 : pr1.location=wait

p_3 : pr2.location=crit

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Mutual exclusion: $\mathbf{A G} \neg (p_1 \wedge p_3)$

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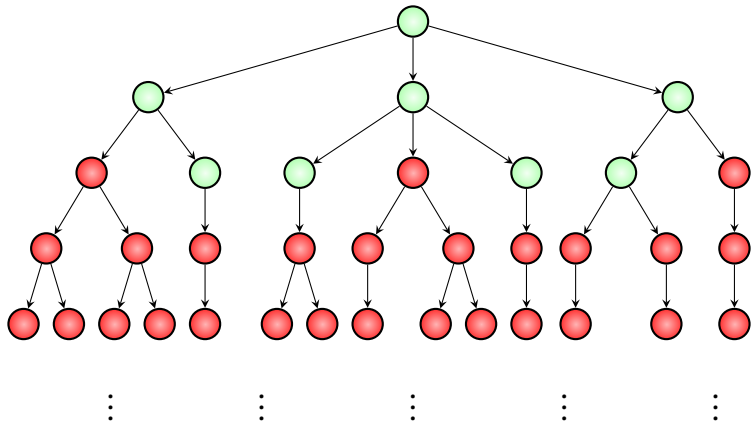
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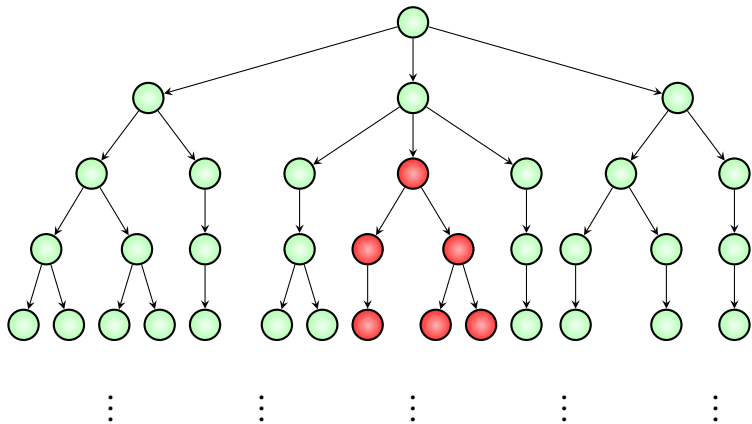
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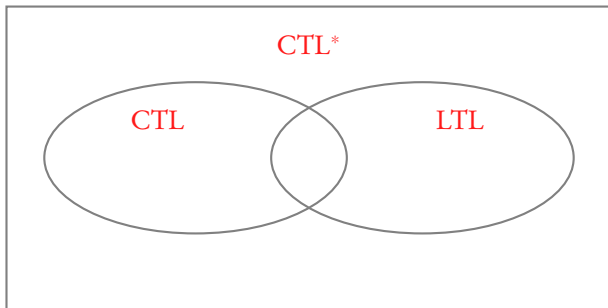
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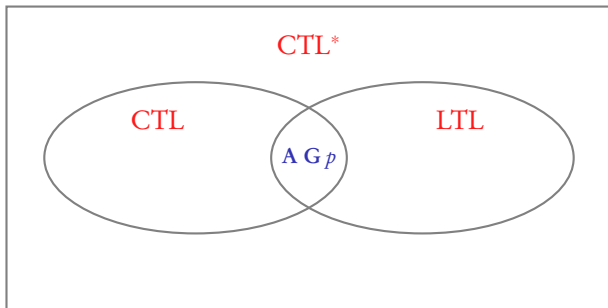
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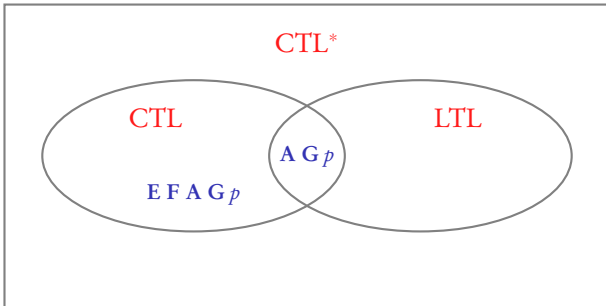
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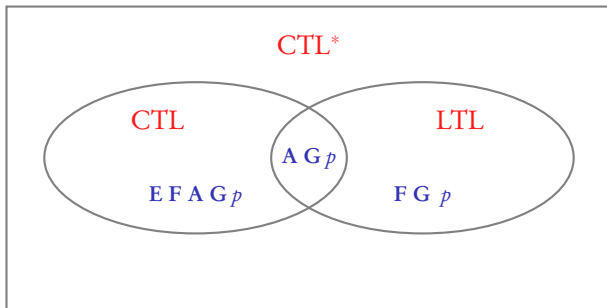


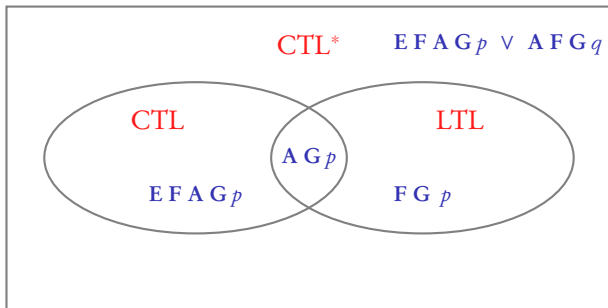
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Summary

CTL

Subset of CTL*

Paired temporal and A-E operators

Expressive powers