

# TIMED AUTOMATA

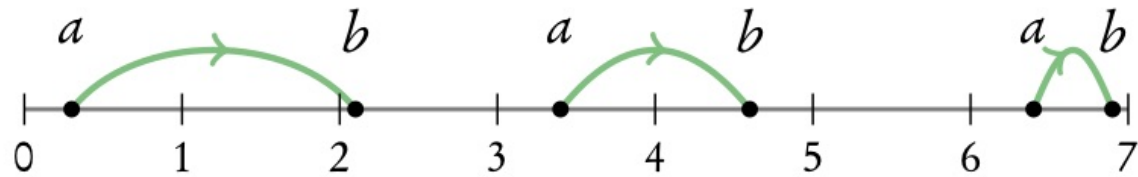
## LECTURE 2

## GOALS OF TODAY'S LECTURE

- 1. Languages not accepted by Timed Automata
- 2. Timed regular languages
- 3. Closure properties
- 4. Course plan

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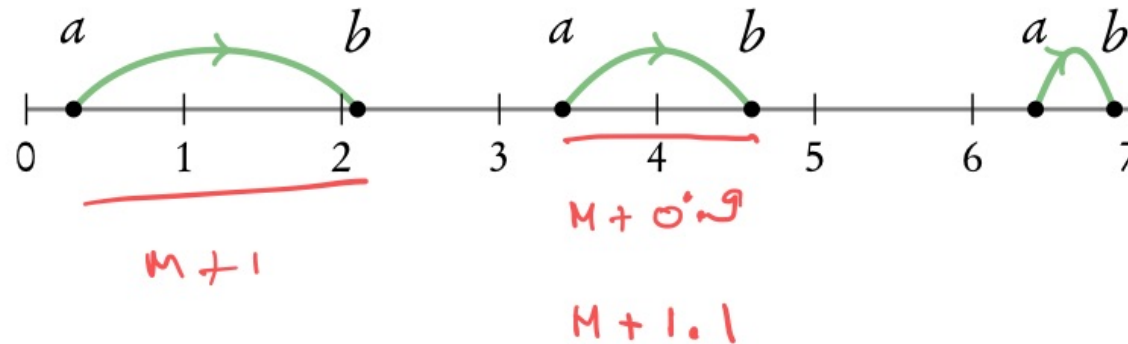
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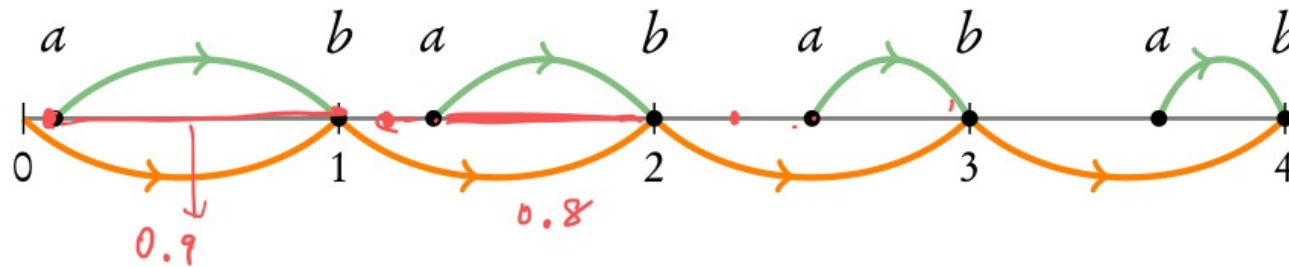
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**Exercise:** Prove that no timed automaton can accept  $L_7$

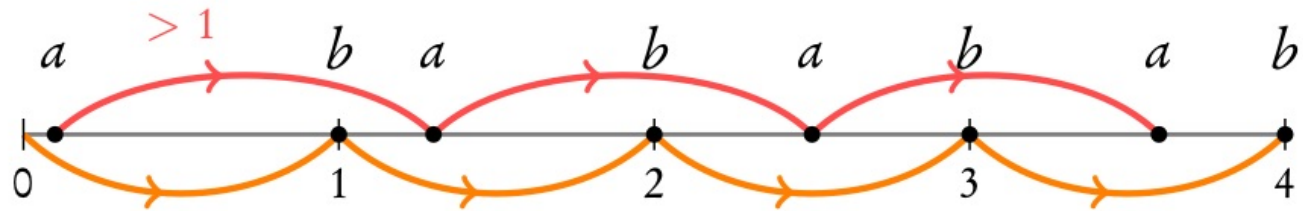
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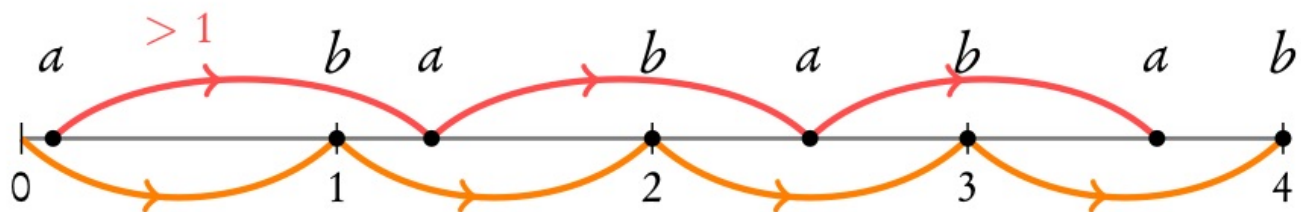
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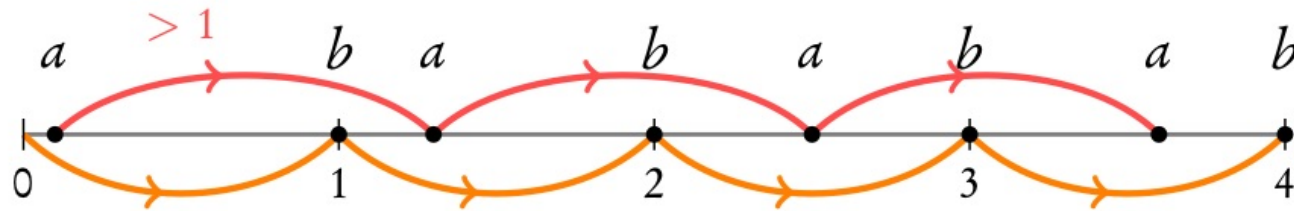
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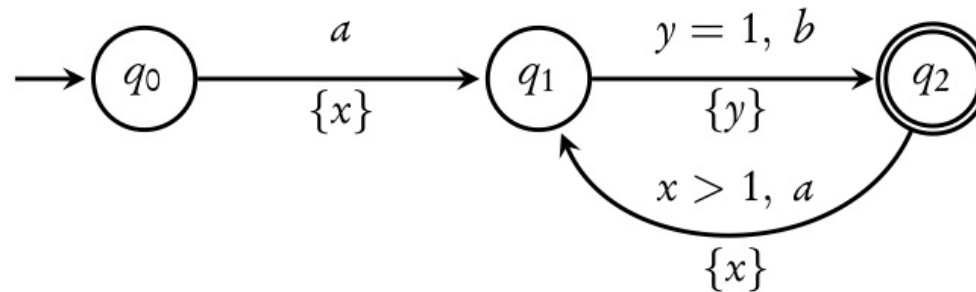
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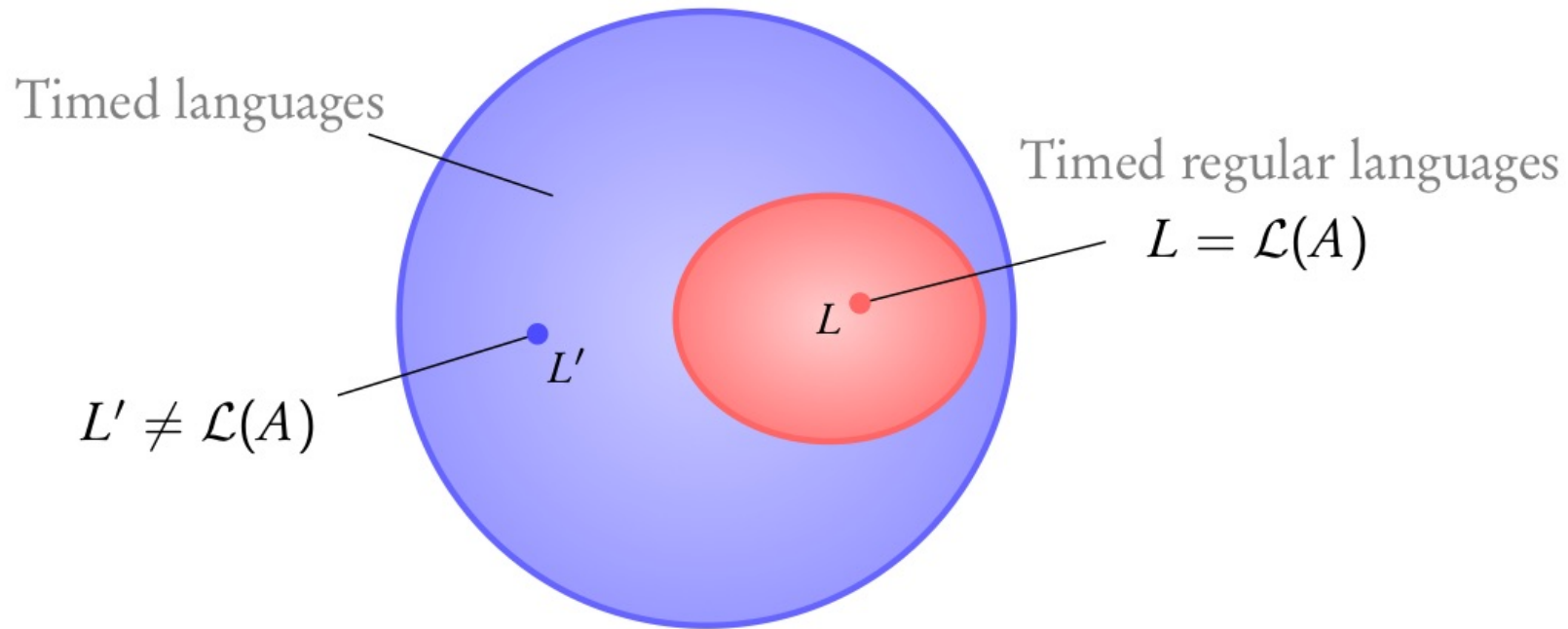
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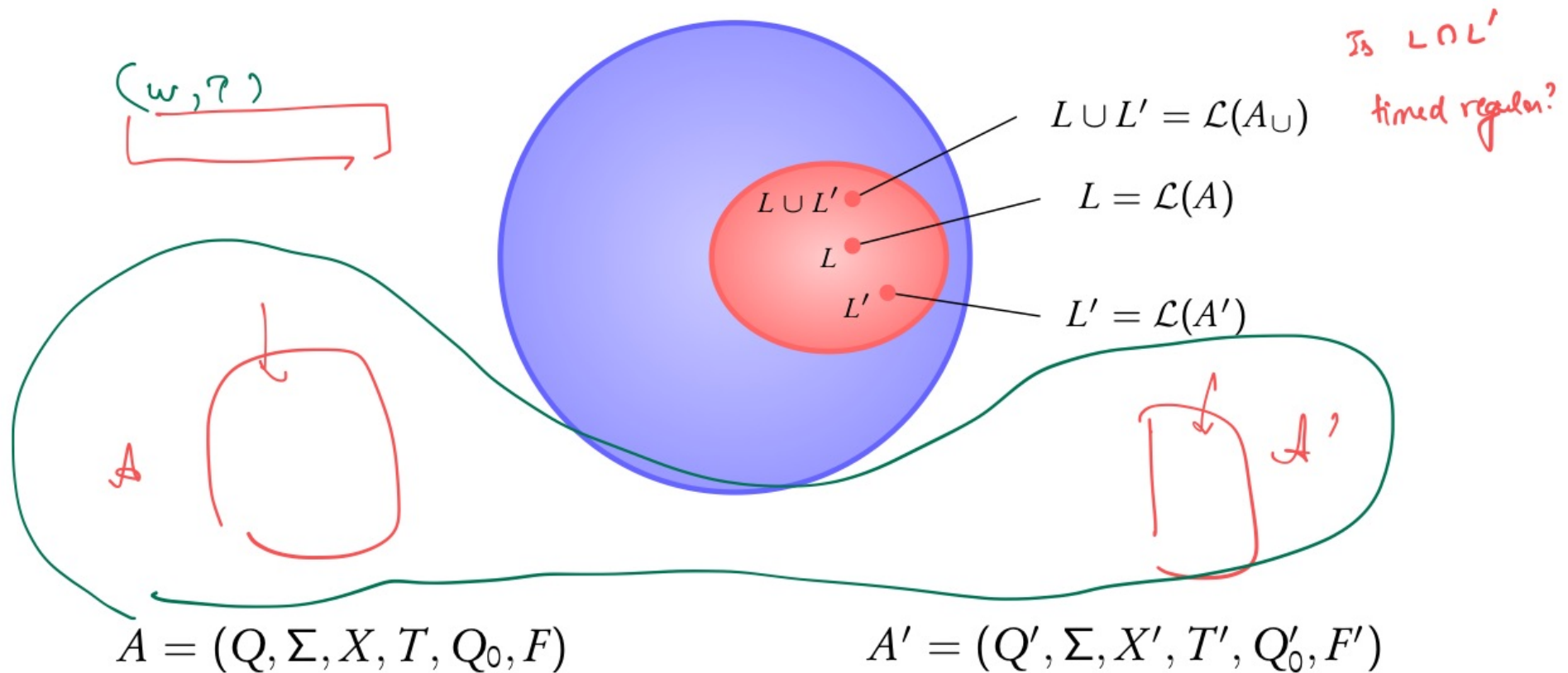
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## Definition

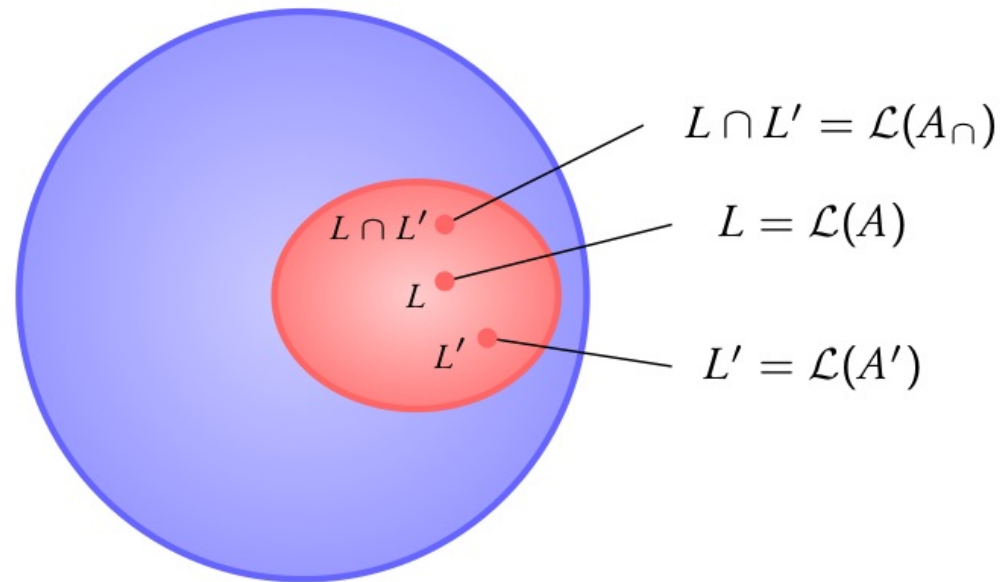
A timed language is called **timed regular** if it can be **accepted** by a timed automaton



$$A \cup A' = (Q \cup Q', \Sigma, X \cup X', T \cup T', Q_0 \cup Q'_0, F \cup F')$$

$$\mathcal{L}(A) \cup \mathcal{L}(A') = \mathcal{L}(A \cup A')$$

Timed regular languages are **closed** under **union**



$$A = (Q, \Sigma, X, T, Q_0, F)$$

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$$A_{\cap} = (Q \times Q', \Sigma, X \cup X', T_{\cap}, Q_0 \times Q'_0, F \times F')$$

$$T_{\cap} : (q_1, q'_1) \xrightarrow[R \cup R']{a, g \wedge g'} (q_2, q'_2) \text{ if}$$

$$q_1 \xrightarrow[R]{a, g} q_2 \in T \text{ and } q'_1 \xrightarrow[R']{a, g'} q'_2 \in T'$$

Timed regular languages are **closed** under **intersection**



$L$  : a timed language over  $\Sigma$

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$$\text{Untime}(L) \equiv \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \exists \tau. (w, \tau) \in L\}$$

## Untiming construction

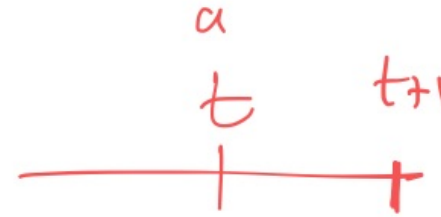
For every timed automaton  $A$  there is a finite automaton  $A_u$  s.t.

$$\text{Untime}(\mathcal{L}(A)) = \mathcal{L}(A_u)$$

more about this later ...

# Closure under Complementation

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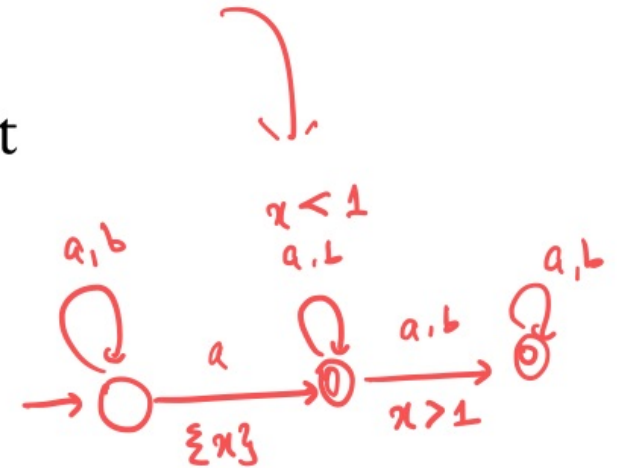
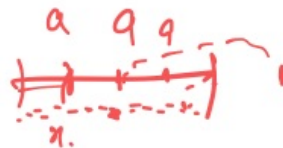


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**Claim:** No timed automaton can accept  $\bar{L}$

Decision problems for timed automata: A survey

Alur, Madhusudhan. *SFM'04: RT*



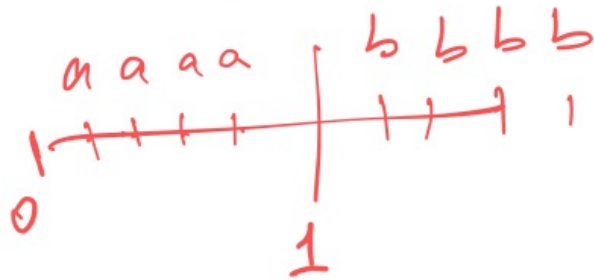
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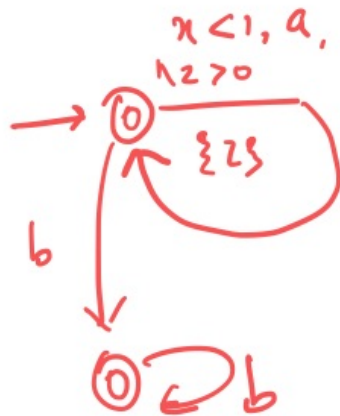
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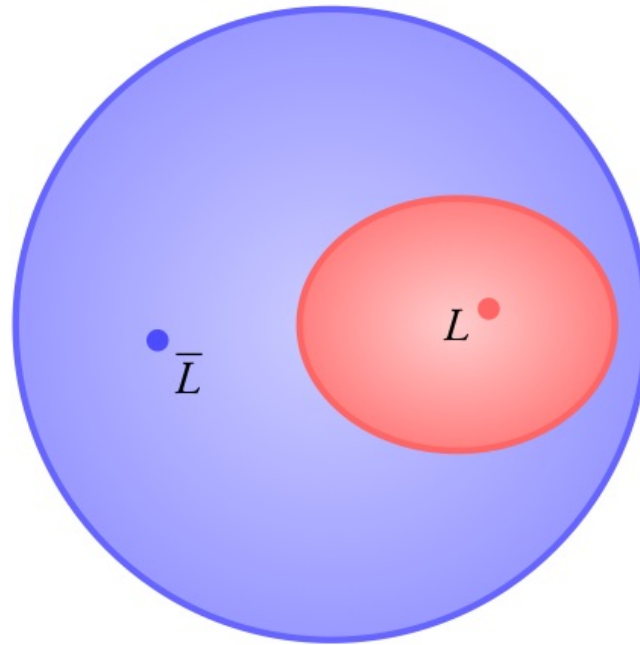
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Therefore  $\bar{L}$  cannot be timed regular  $\square$



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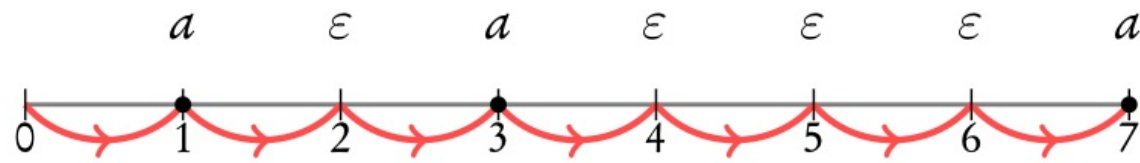
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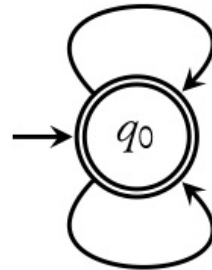
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$$L_6 := \{ ( a^k, \tau ) \mid \tau_i \text{ is some integer for each } i \}$$



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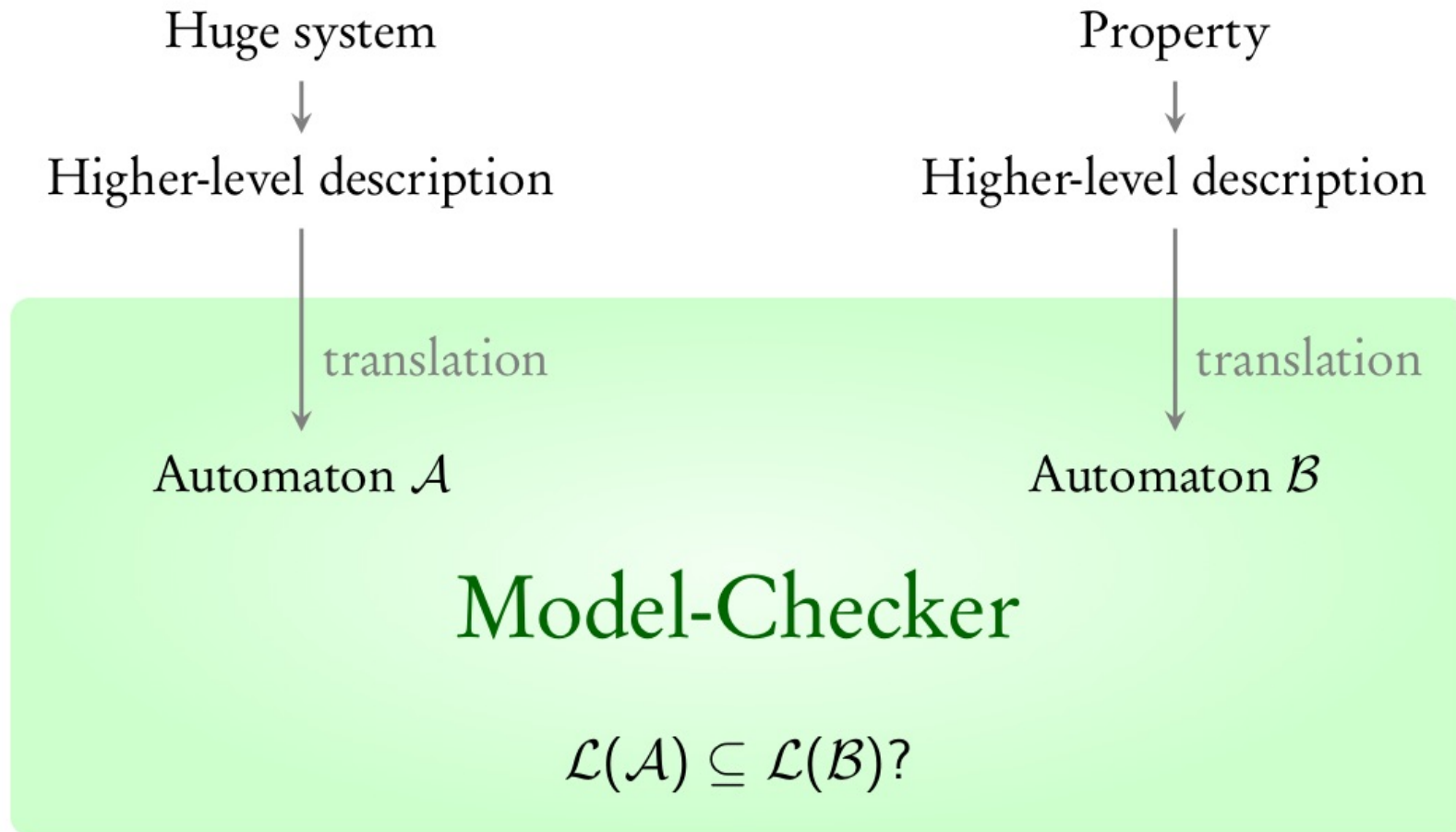
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More expressive

$\xrightarrow{\varepsilon}$  without reset  $\equiv$  TA

# Recall...



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non-closure under complement  $\Rightarrow$  the above **cannot be done** for TA!