

Metric Interval Temporal Logic Revisited

MOVE seminar

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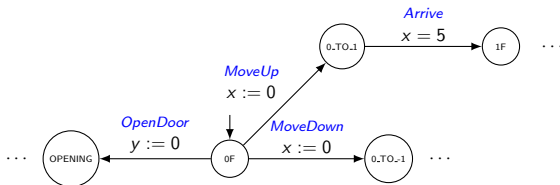


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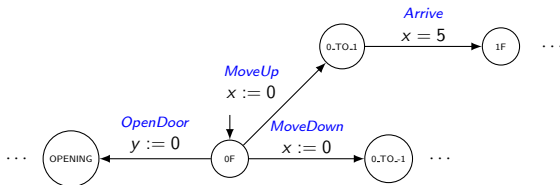
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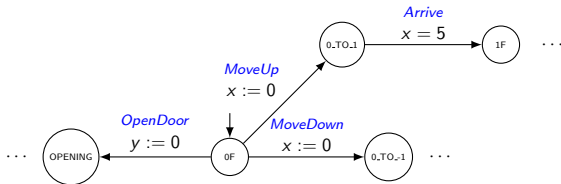
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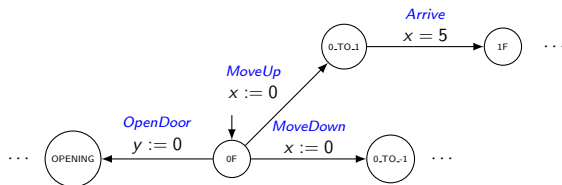
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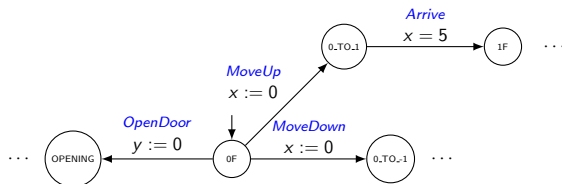
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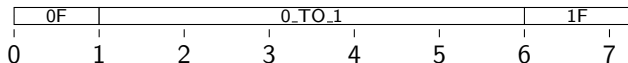
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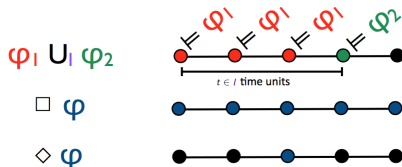
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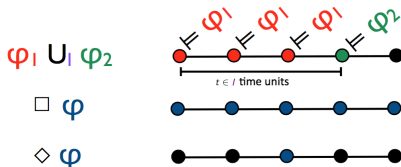


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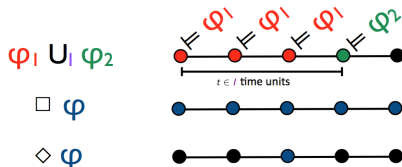
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 - ▶ reactive synthesis task

Part 1: satisfiability and model-checking

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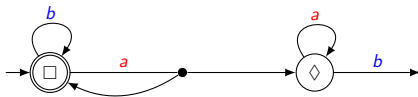
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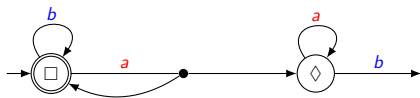
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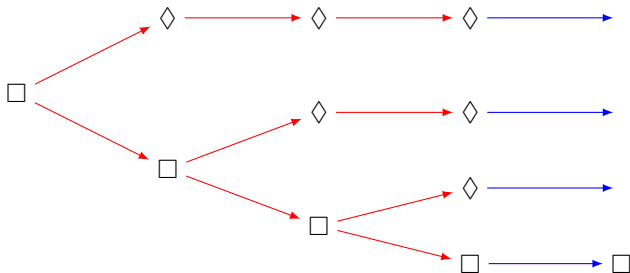


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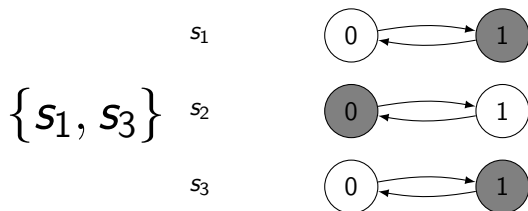
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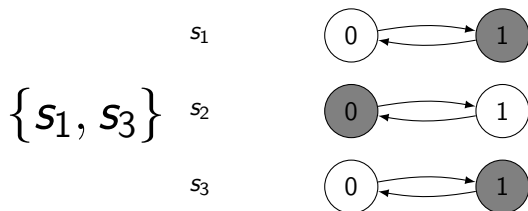


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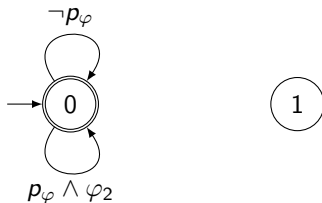
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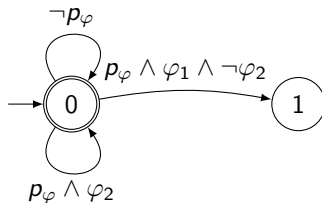
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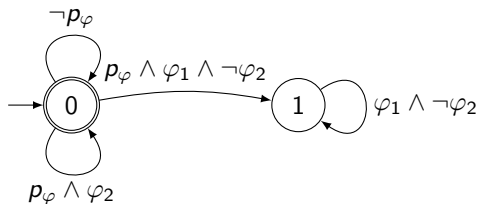
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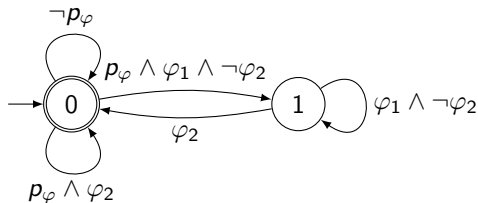
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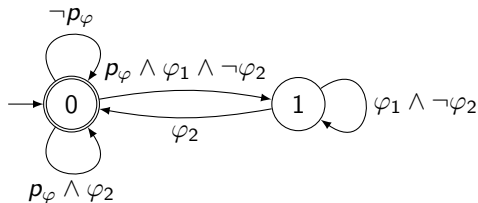
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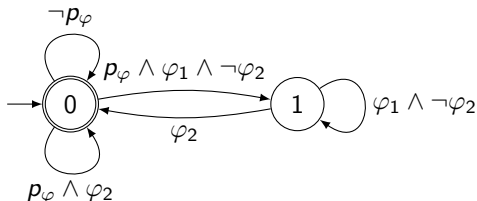
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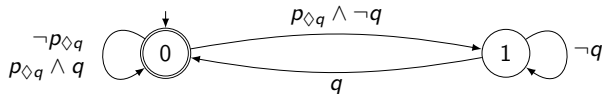
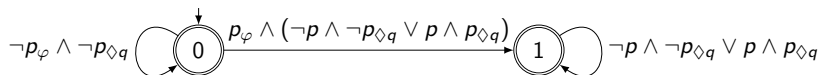
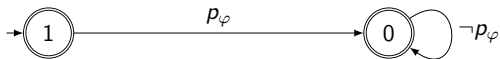
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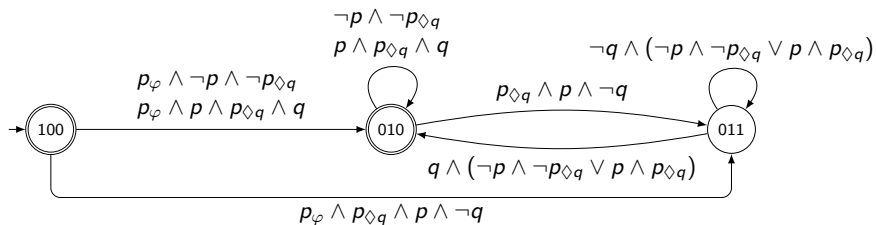
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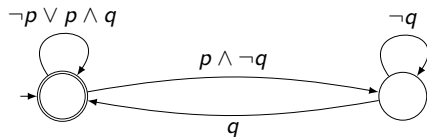
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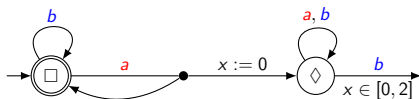


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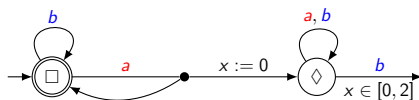
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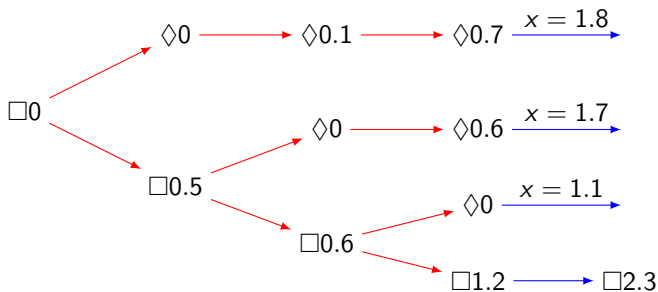


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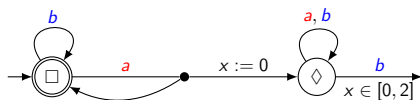


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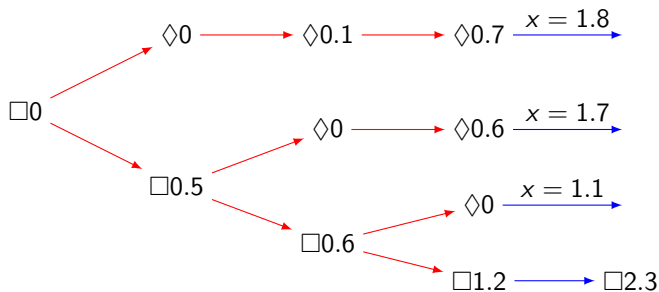


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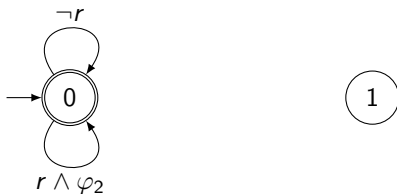
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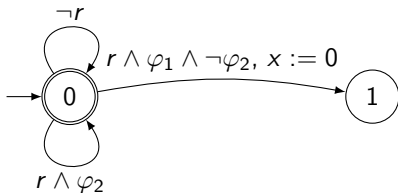
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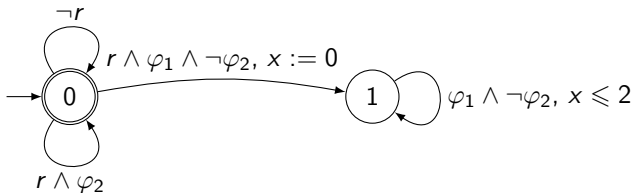
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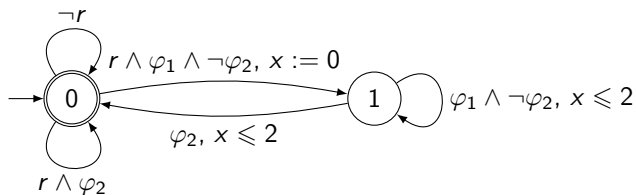
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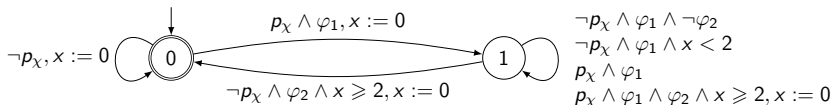
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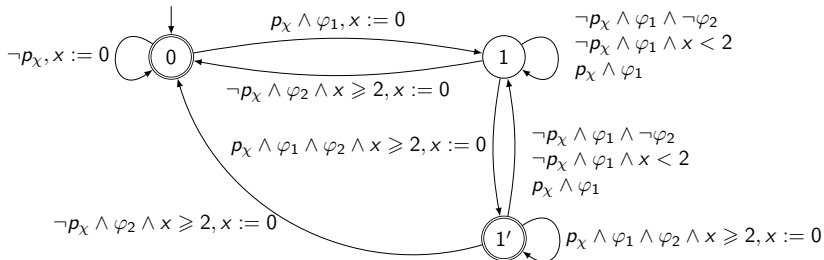
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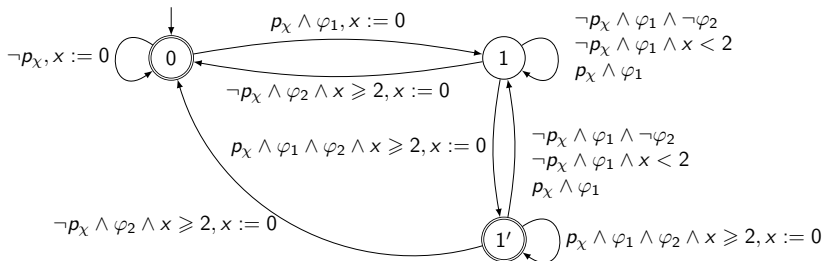
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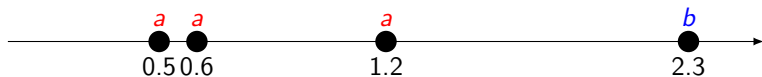
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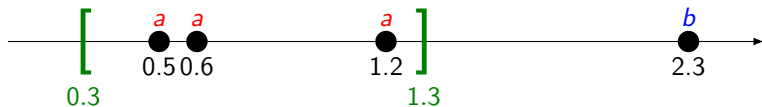


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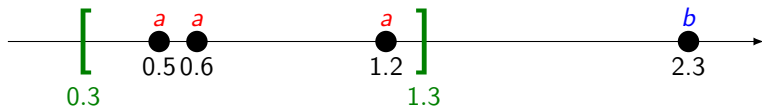


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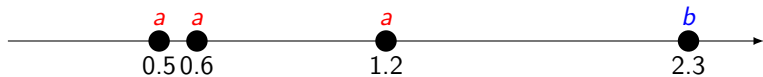
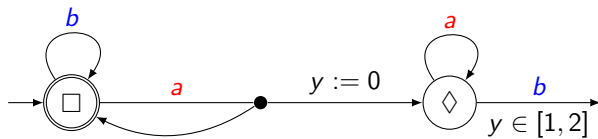
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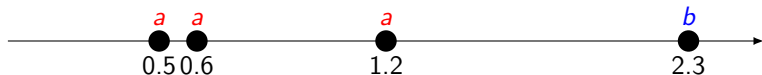
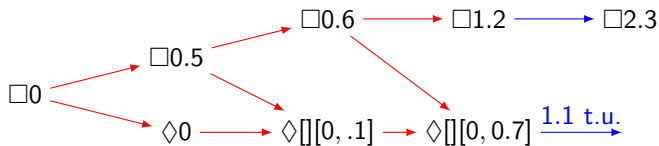
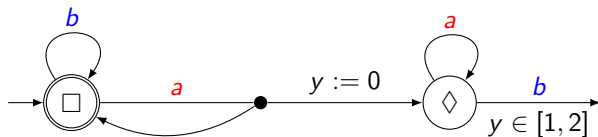


To check that this timed word satisfies φ , we **do not need to remember** the exact timestamp of each a

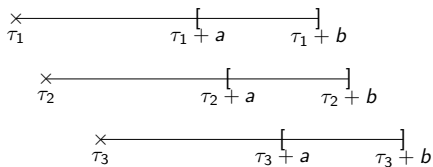
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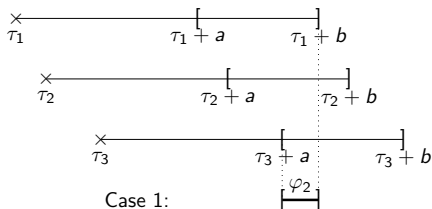
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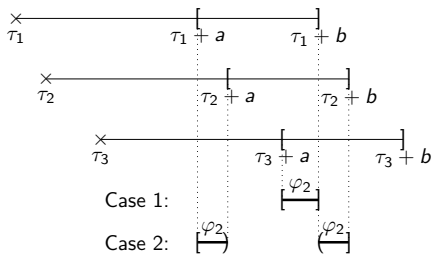


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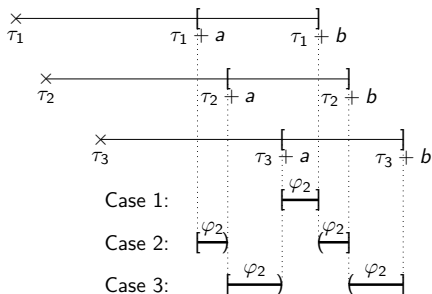
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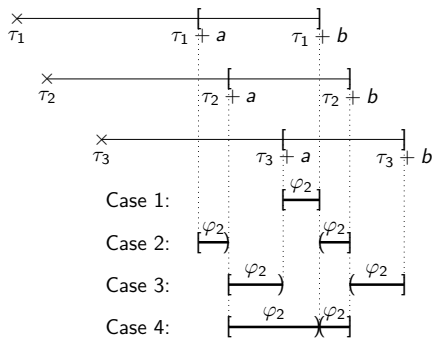


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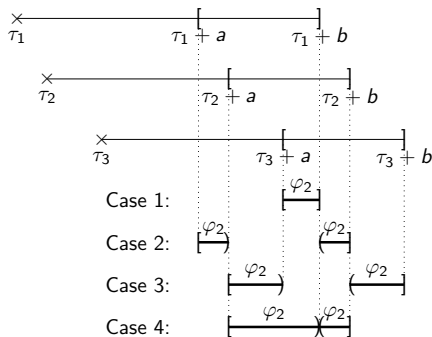
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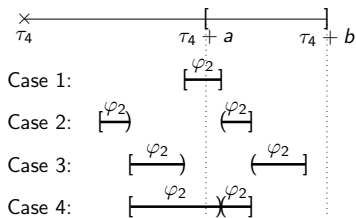
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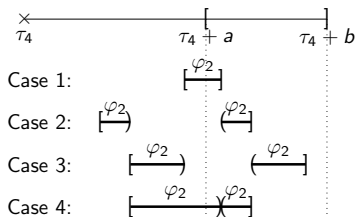
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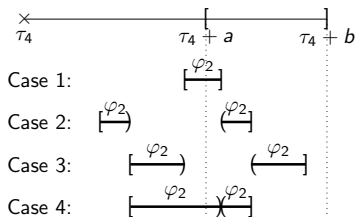
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Part 2: reactive synthesis

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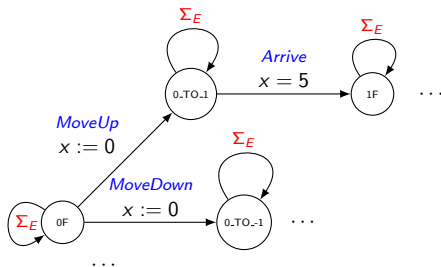
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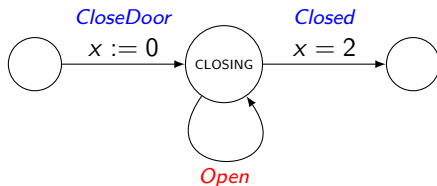
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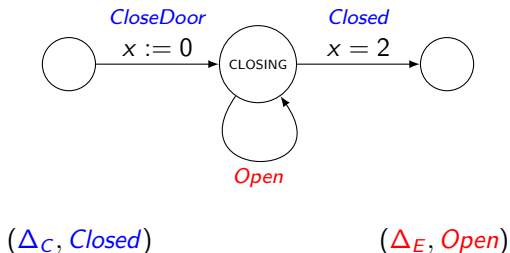
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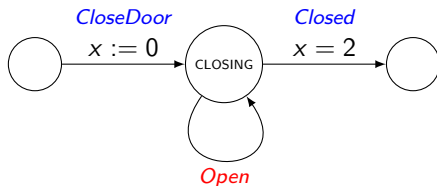
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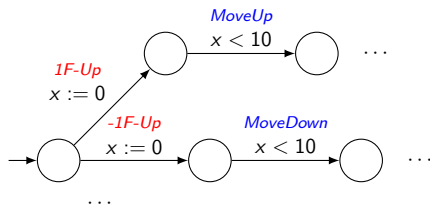
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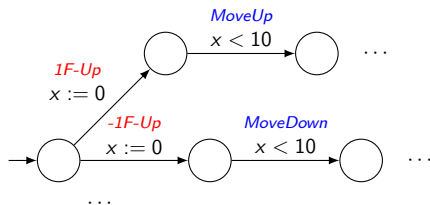
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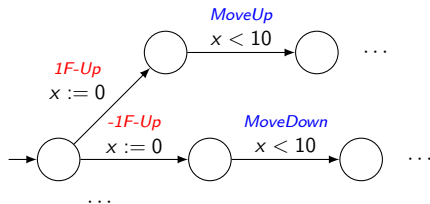
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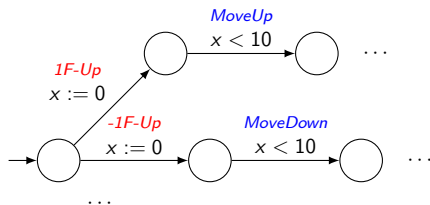
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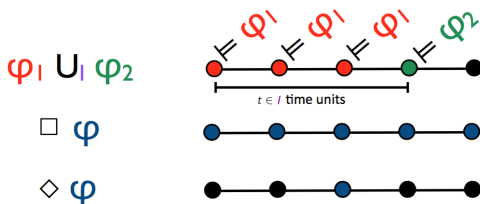
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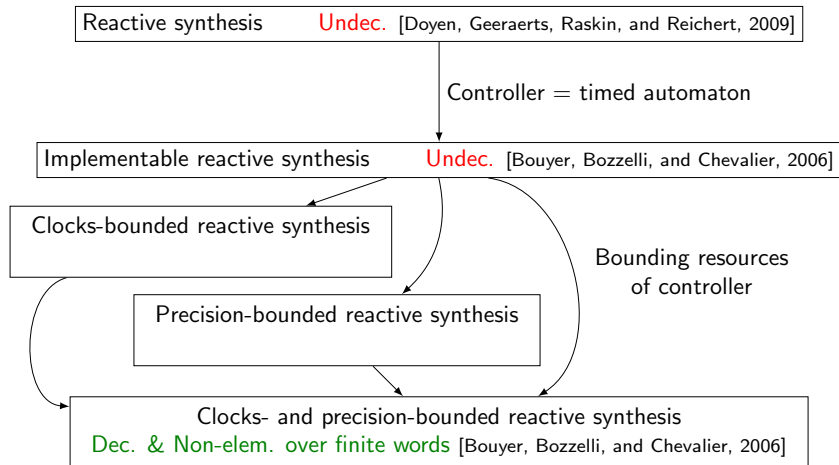
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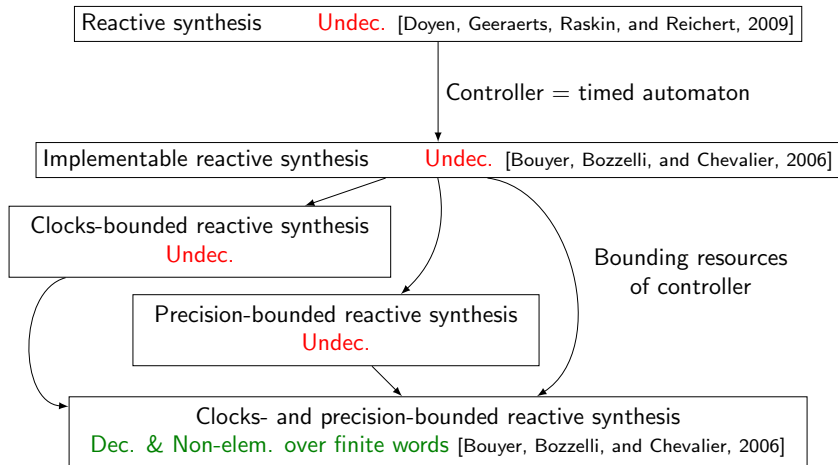
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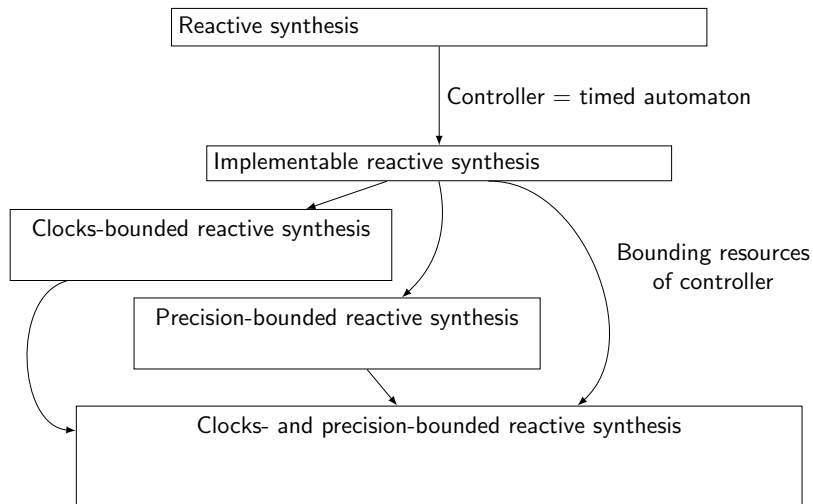
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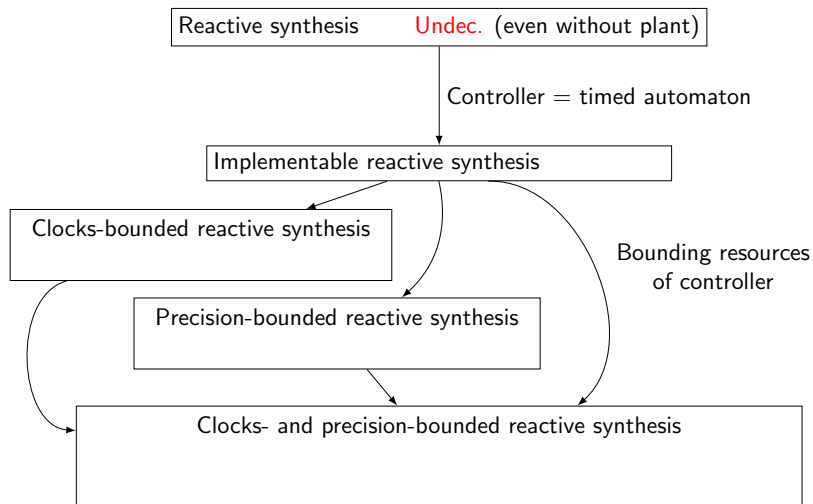
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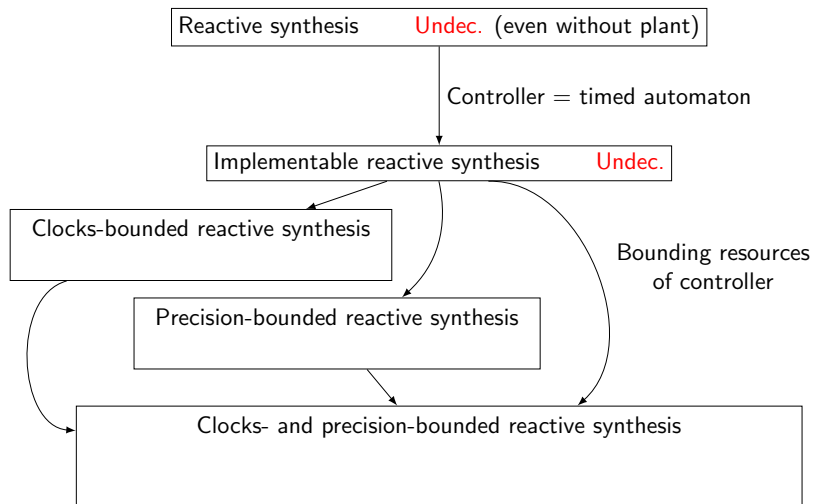
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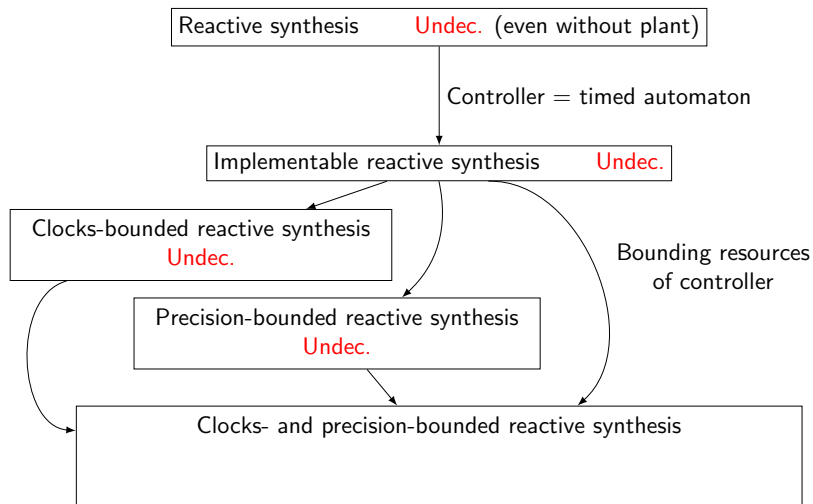
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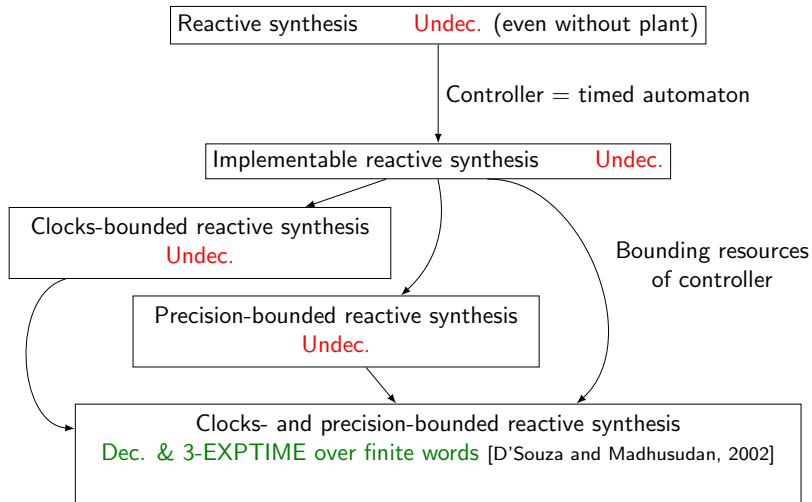
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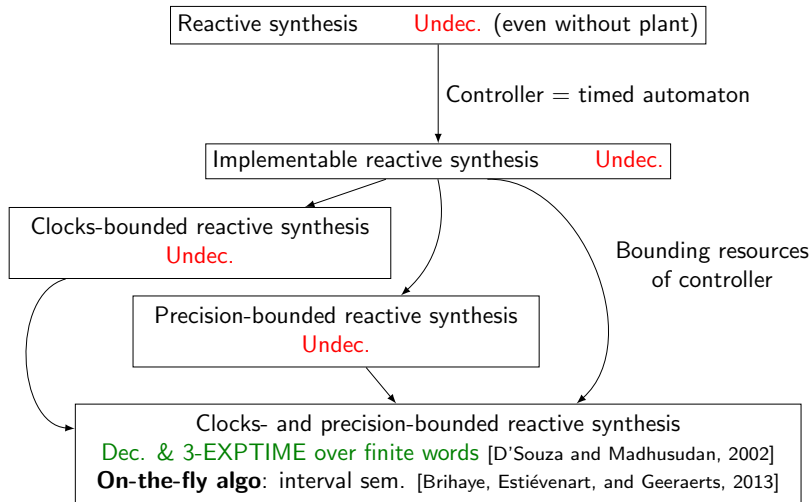
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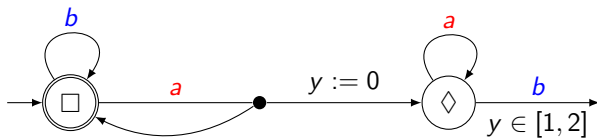


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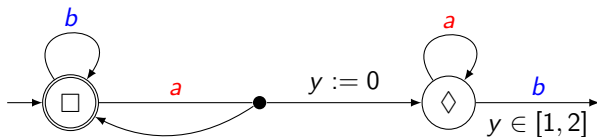
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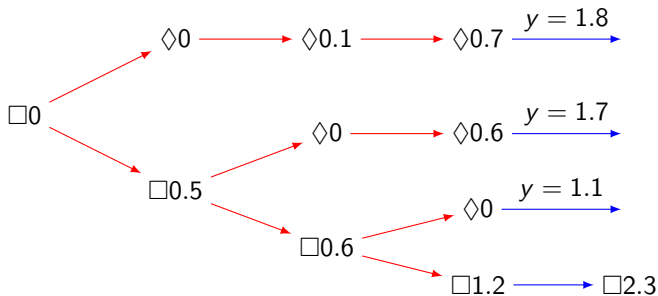


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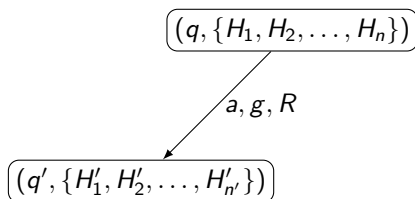


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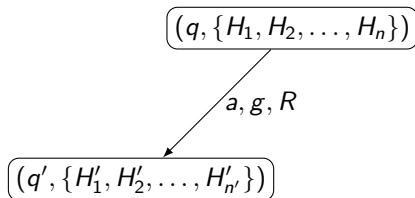
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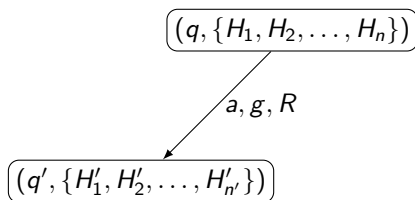
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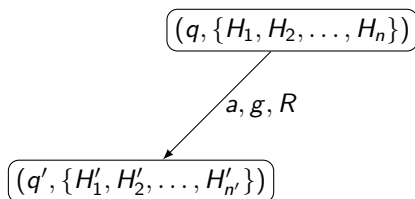
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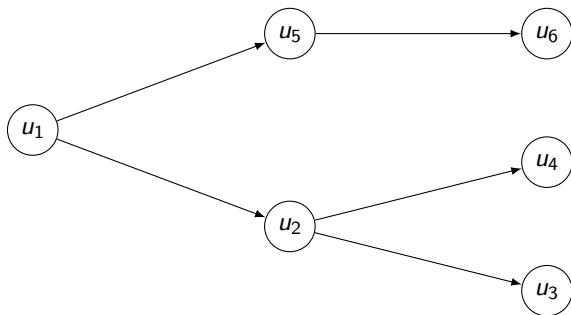
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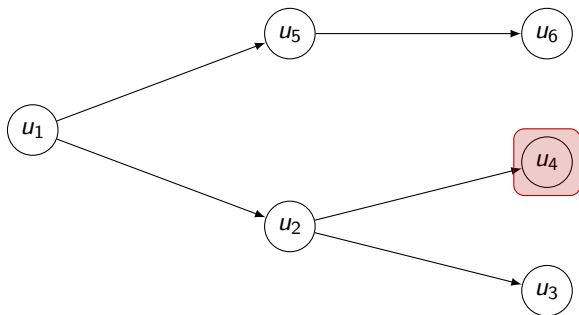
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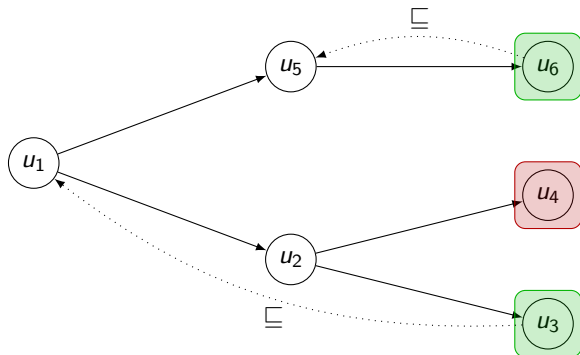
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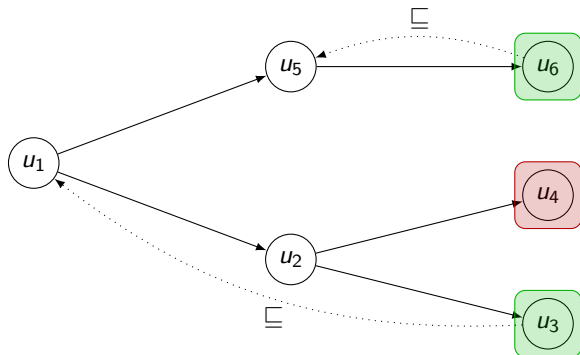
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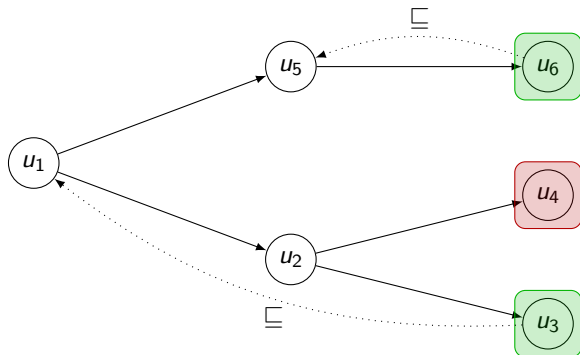
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