

Introduction

Modelling parallel systems

Linear Time Properties

Regular Properties

Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

 syntax and semantics of LTL

 automata-based LTL model checking

 complexity of LTL model checking



Computation-Tree Logic

Equivalences and Abstraction

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- just for fun: **coNP**-hardness
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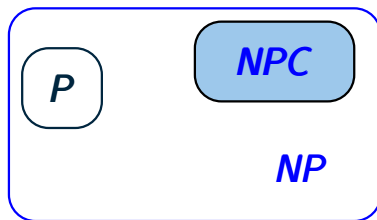
Recall: complexity classes

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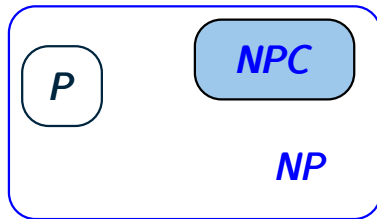


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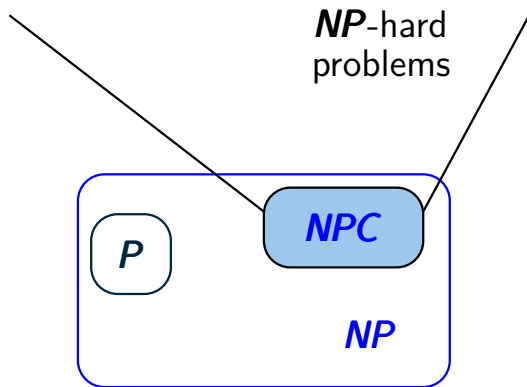


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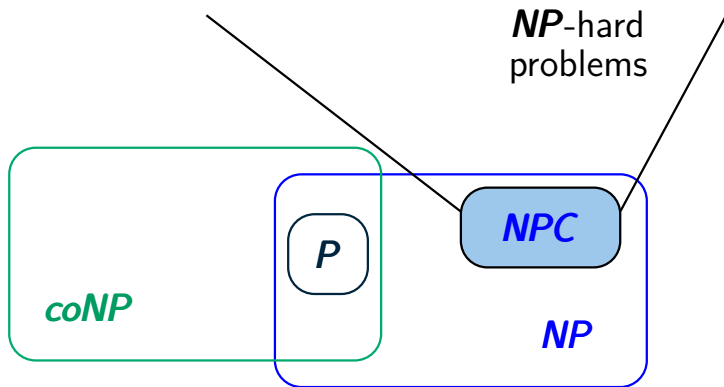
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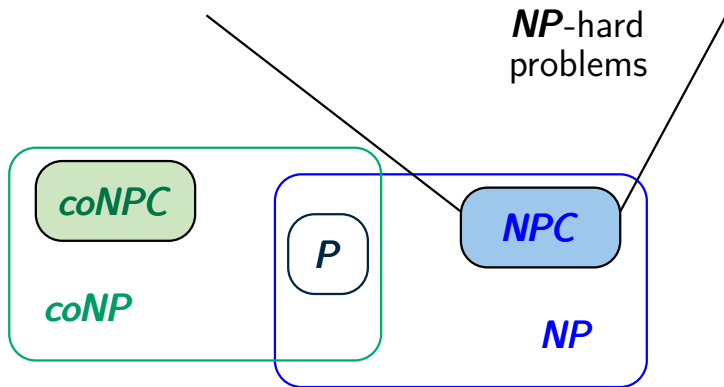
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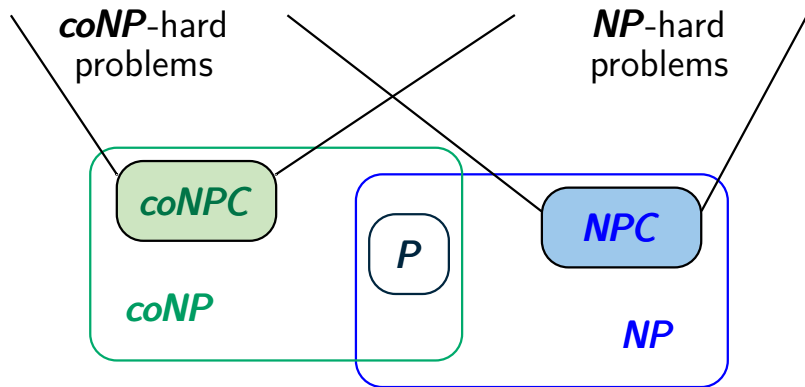


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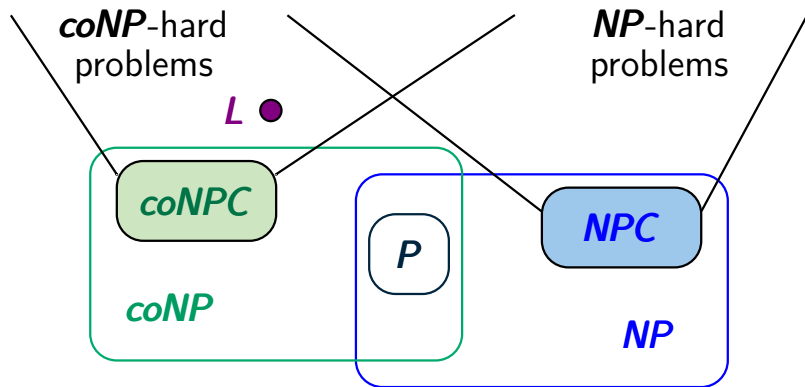


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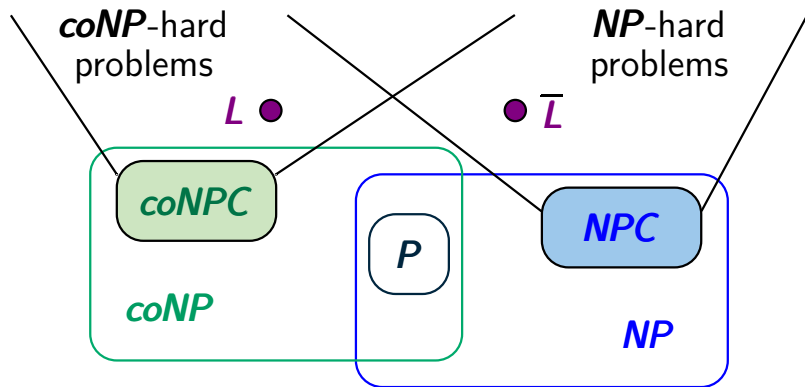


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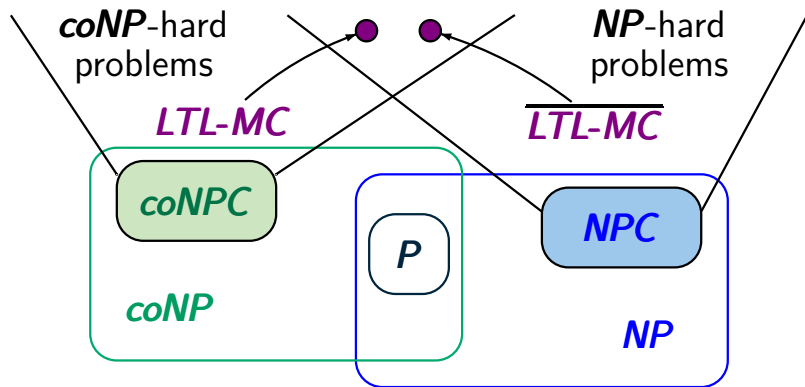


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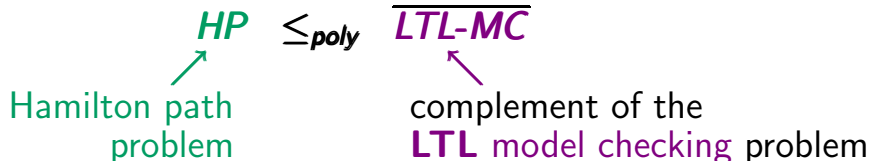
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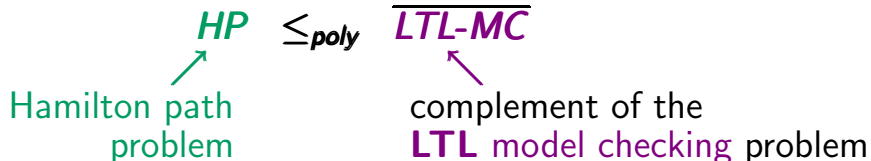
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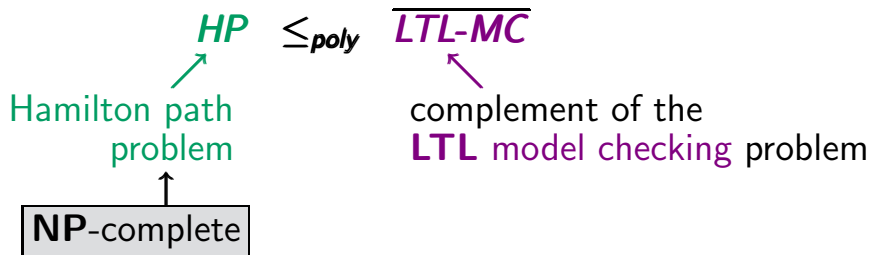
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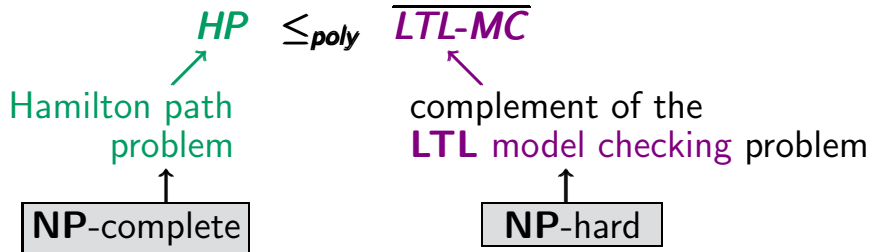
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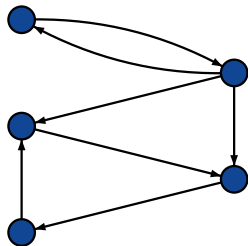
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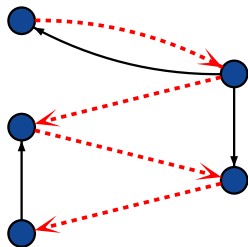
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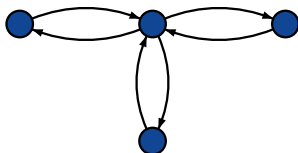
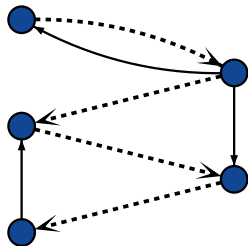


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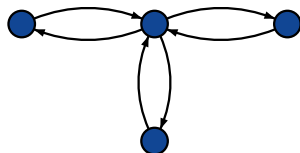
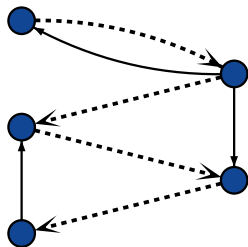


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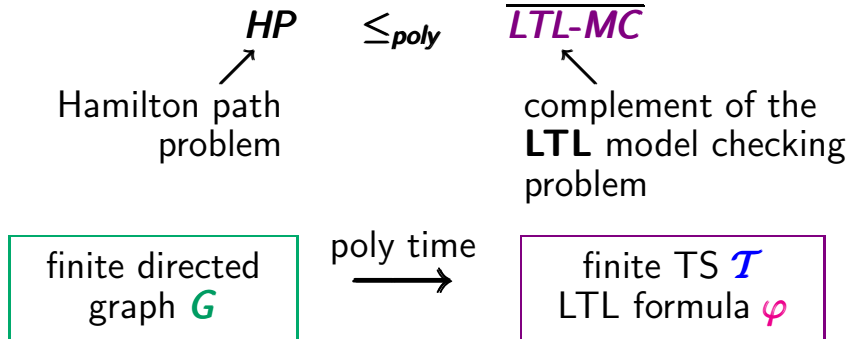
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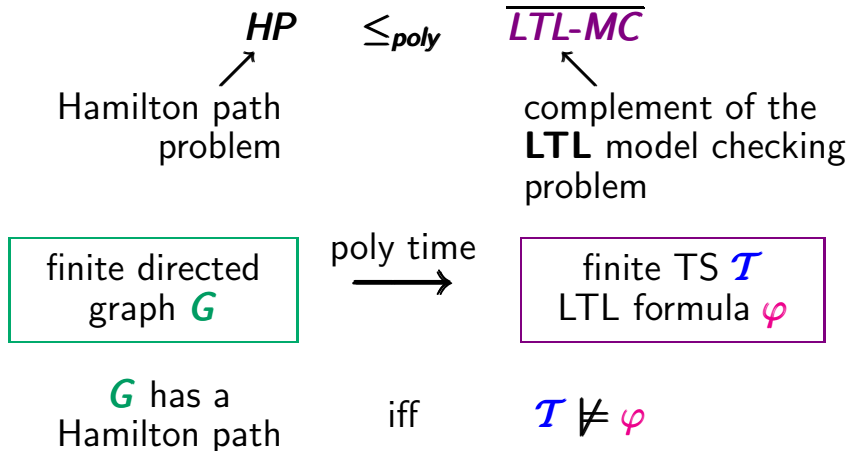


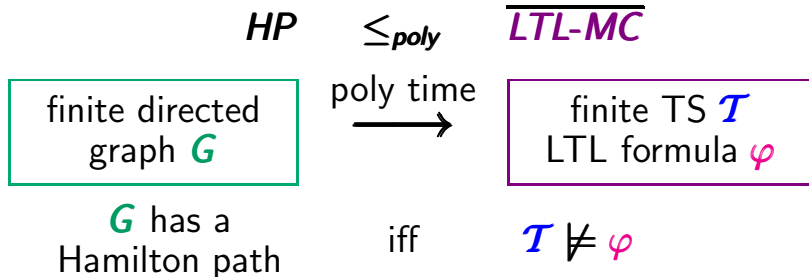
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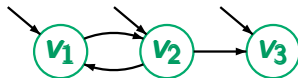
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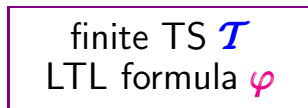
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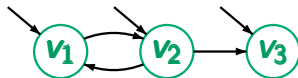
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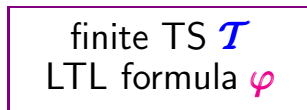
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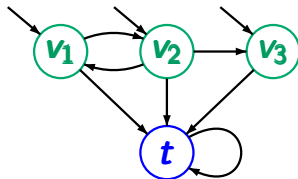
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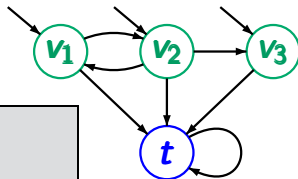
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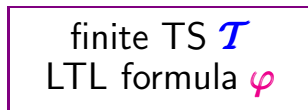
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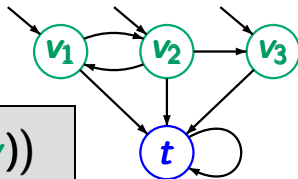
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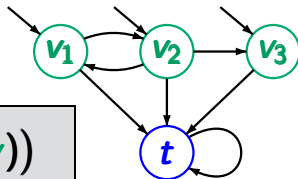
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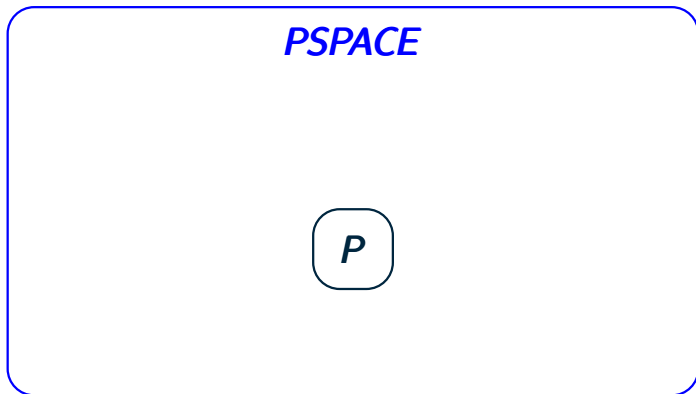
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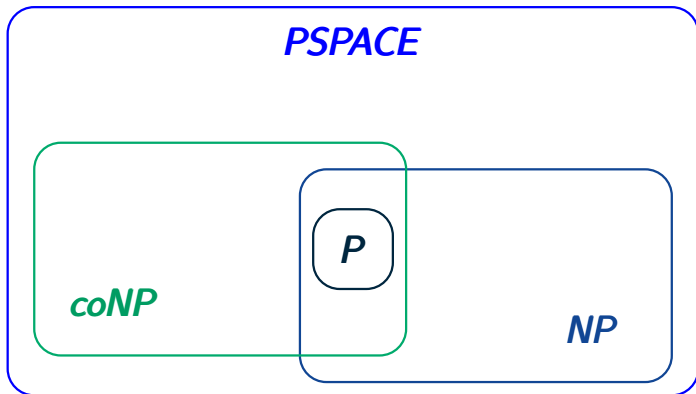
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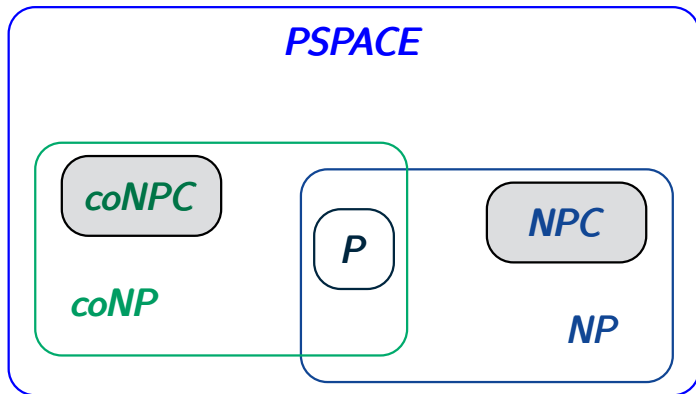
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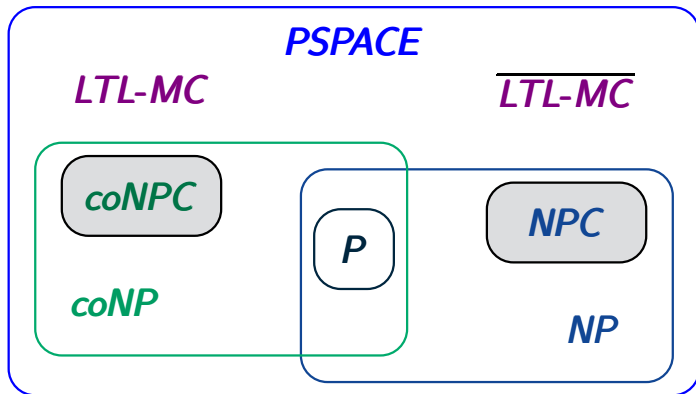
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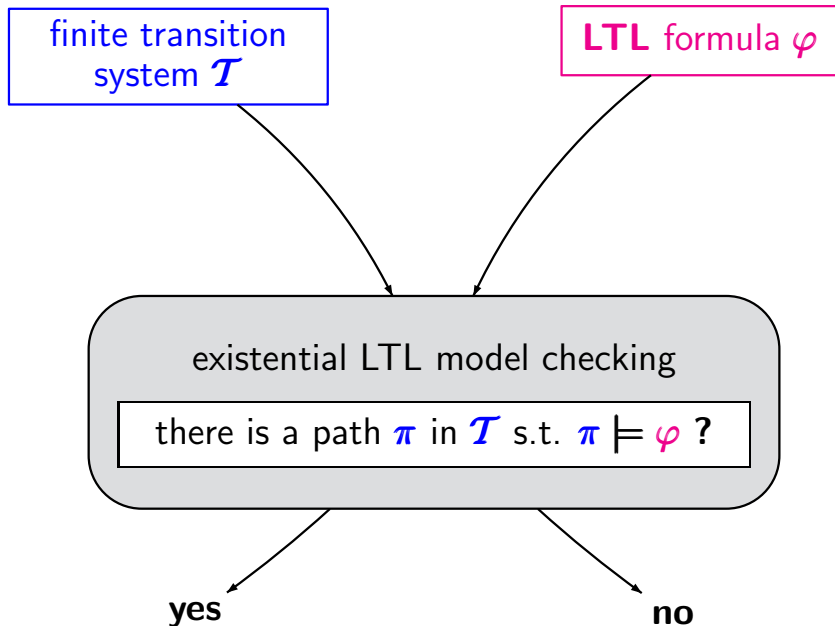
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idea: use the **GNBA** \mathcal{G} for φ
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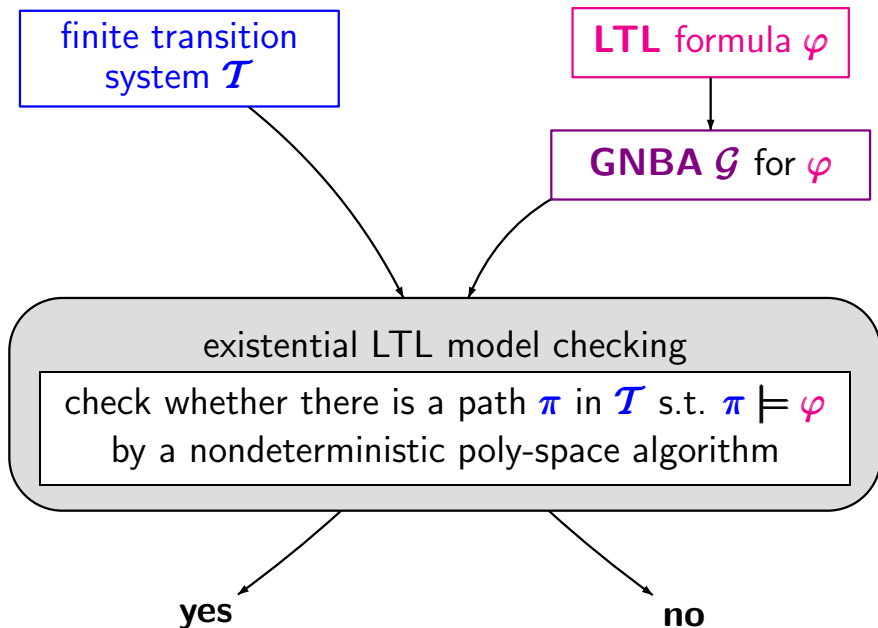
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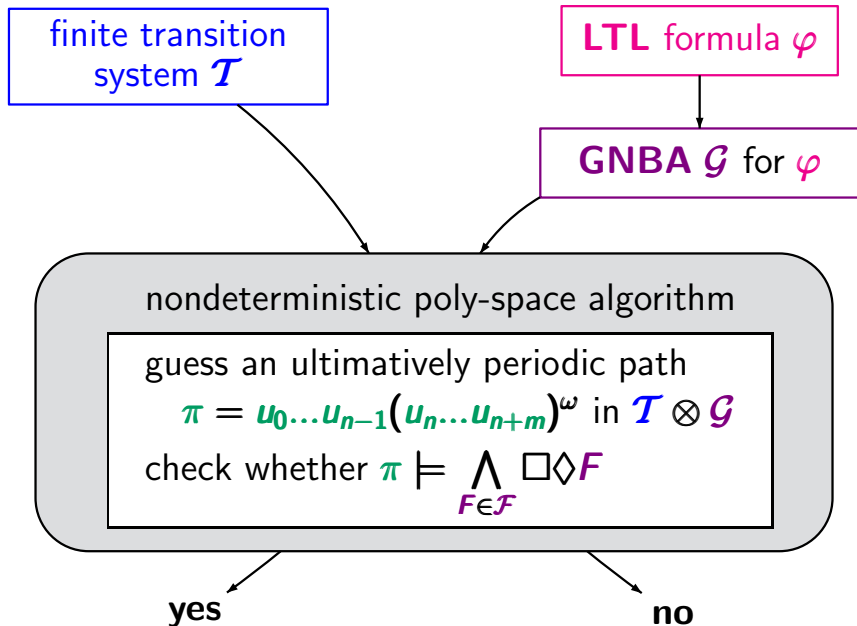
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Existential LTL model checking

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closure $cl(\varphi)$:

- set of all subformulas of φ and their negations
- ψ and $\neg\neg\psi$ are identified

elementary formula-sets: subsets B of $cl(\varphi)$

- maximal consistent w.r.t. propositional logic
- locally consistent w.r.t. \mathbf{U}

For $\varphi = a \mathbf{U} (\neg a \wedge b)$, the elementary sets are:

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$$\mathcal{G} = (Q, 2^{AP}, \delta, Q_0, \mathcal{F})$$

state space: $Q = \{B \subseteq cl(\varphi) : B \text{ is elementary}\}$

initial states: $Q_0 = \{B \in Q : \varphi \in B\}$

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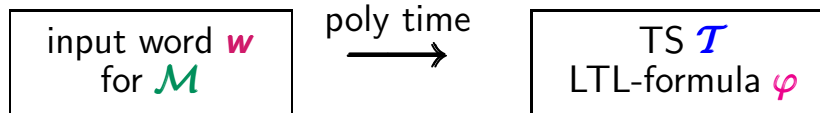
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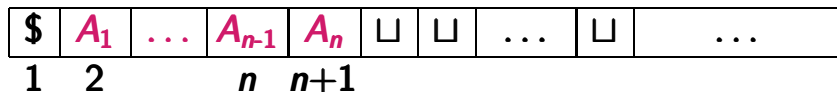
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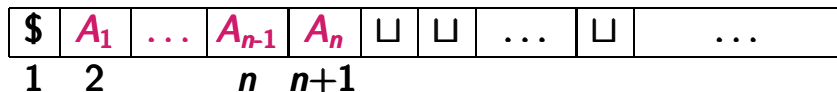


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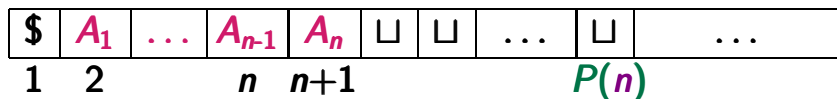
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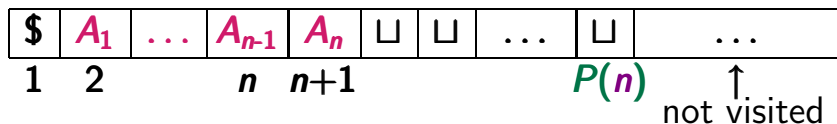
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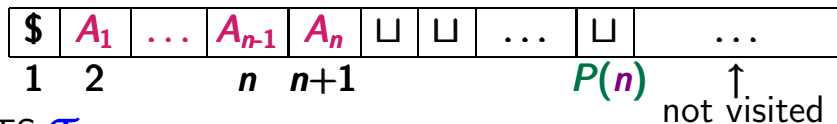
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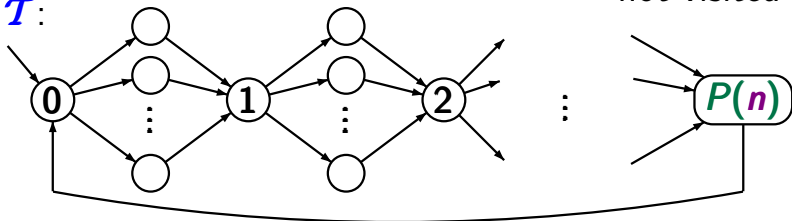
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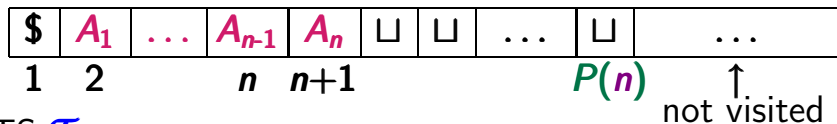
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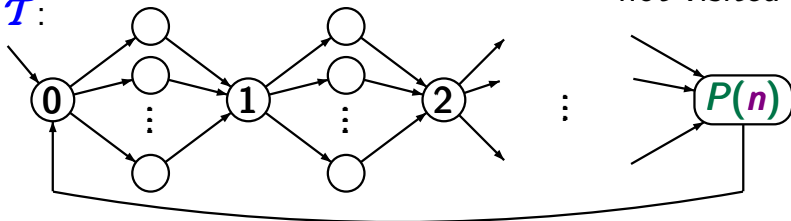
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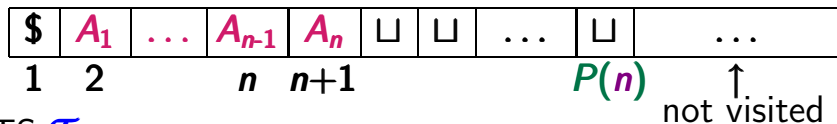


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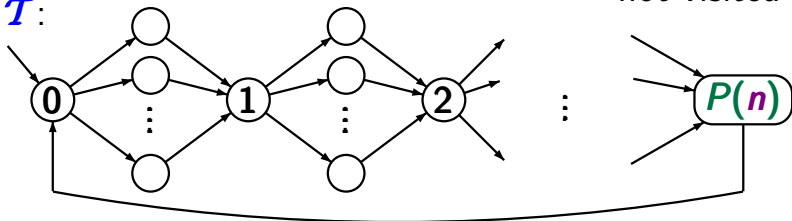
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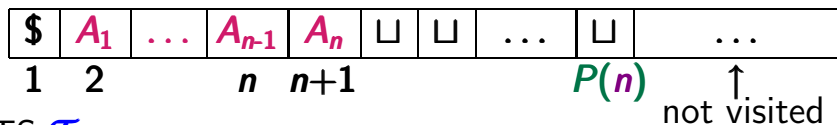


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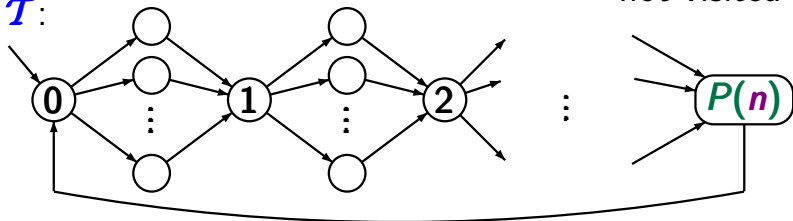
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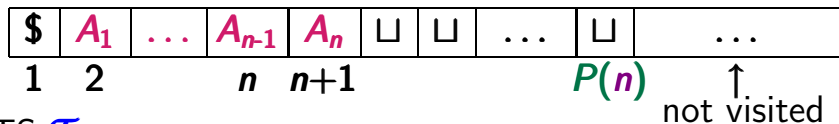
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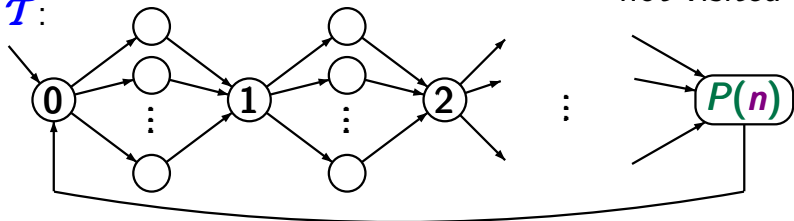
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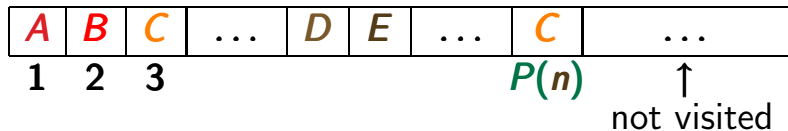
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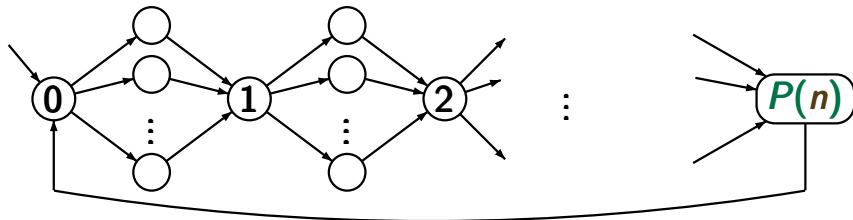
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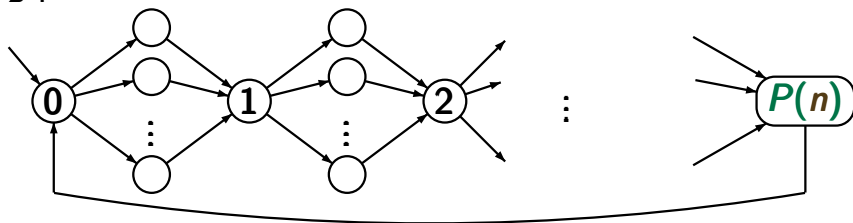


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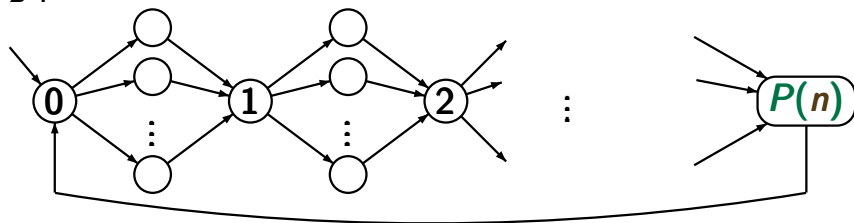
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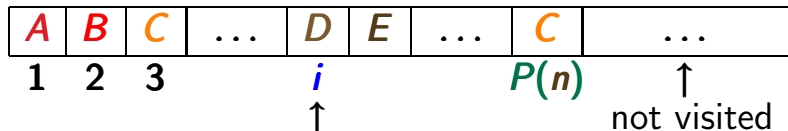
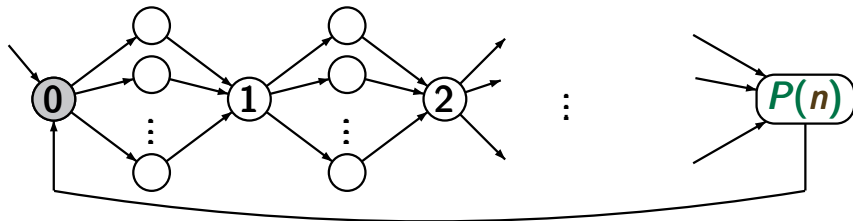
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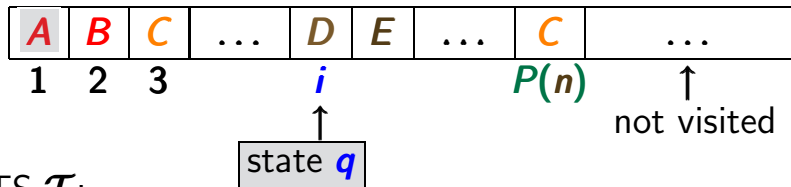
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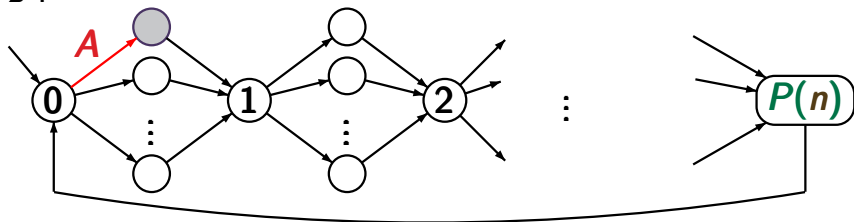
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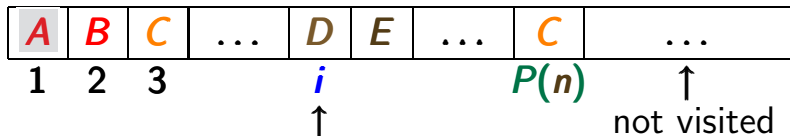


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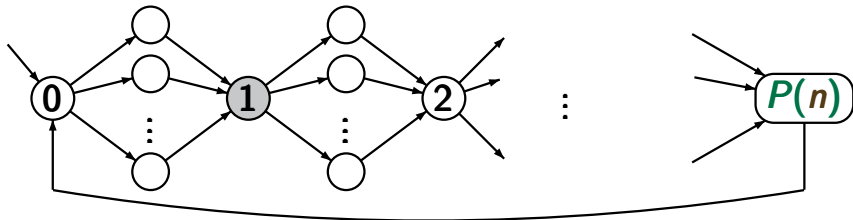
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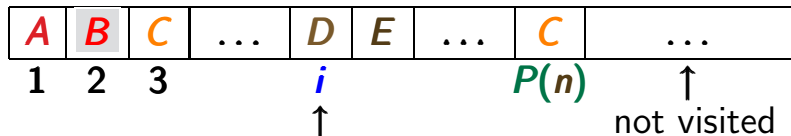


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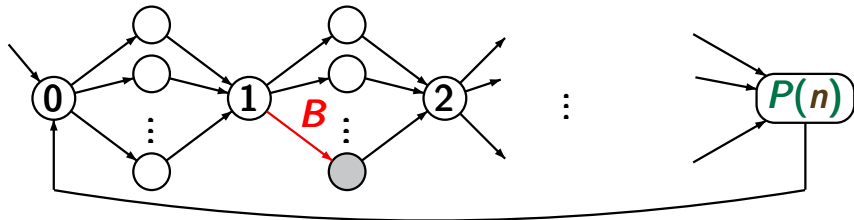
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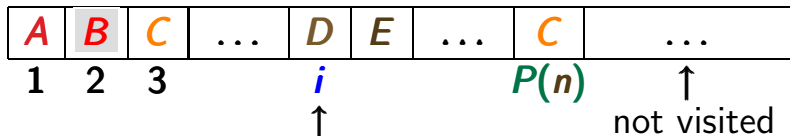


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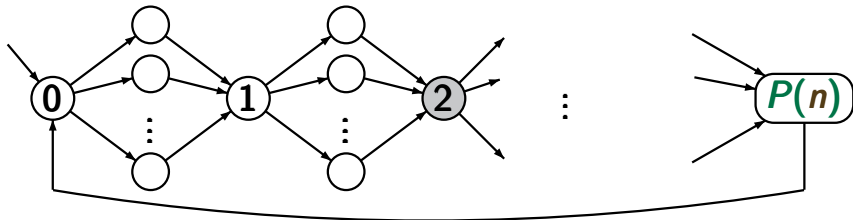
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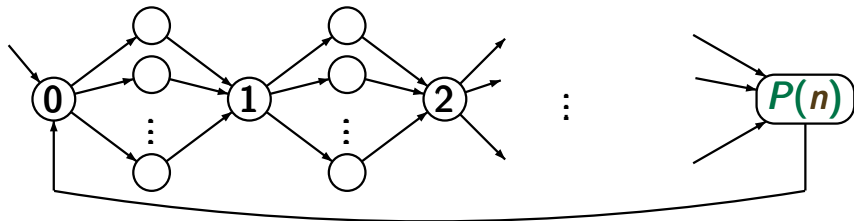
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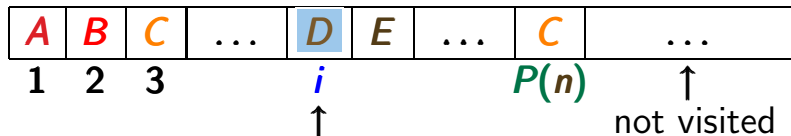


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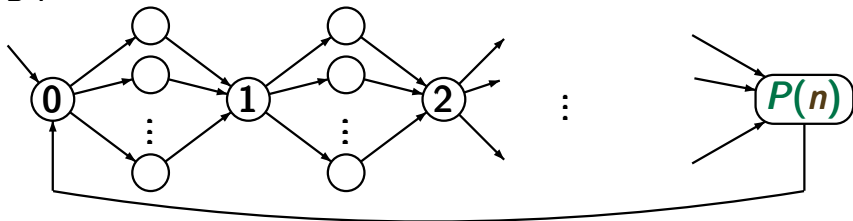
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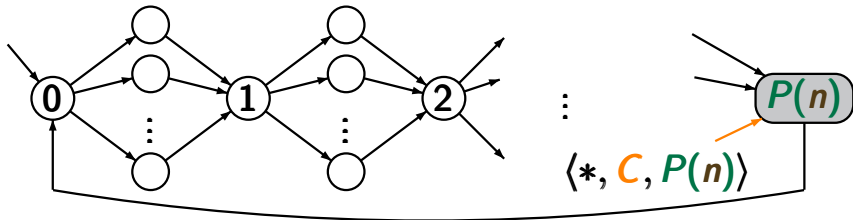
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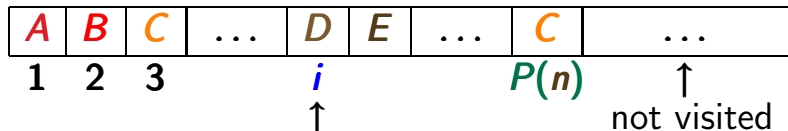


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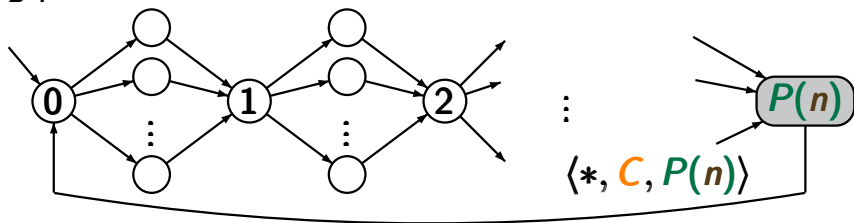
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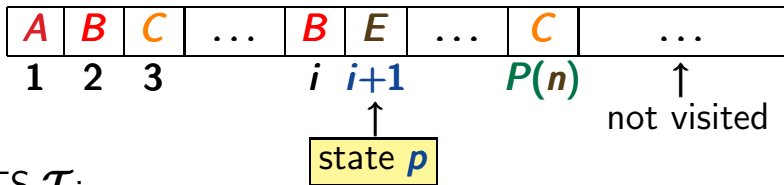


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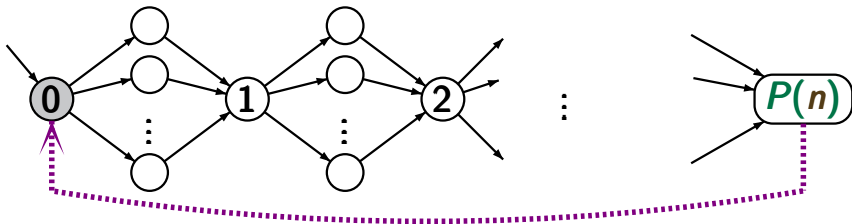
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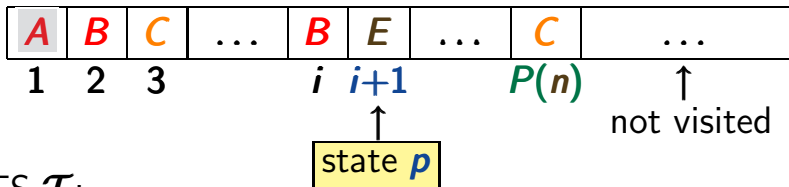


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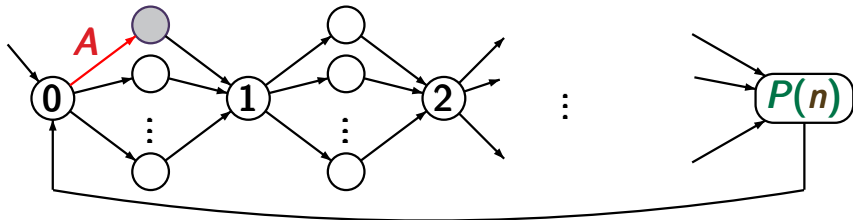
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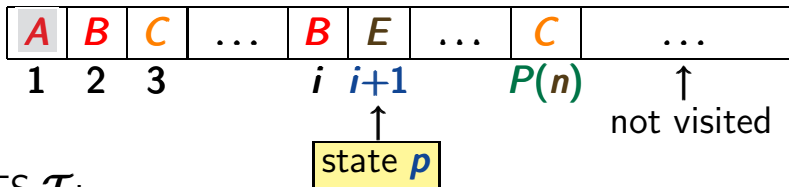


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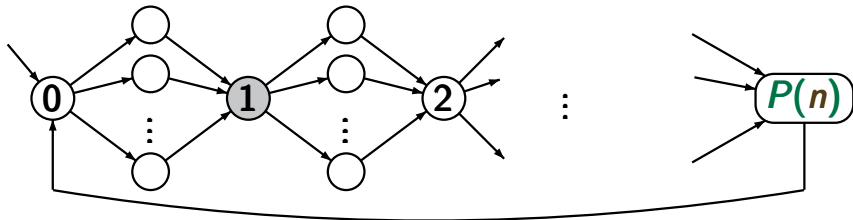
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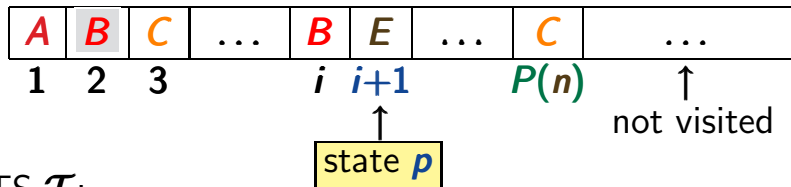


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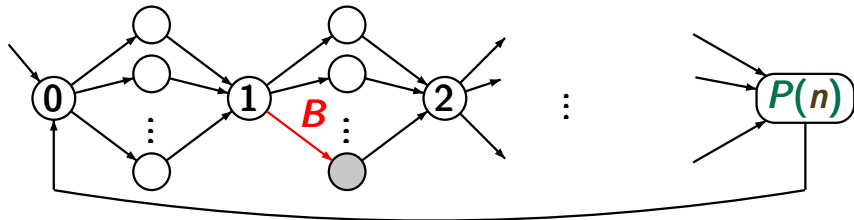
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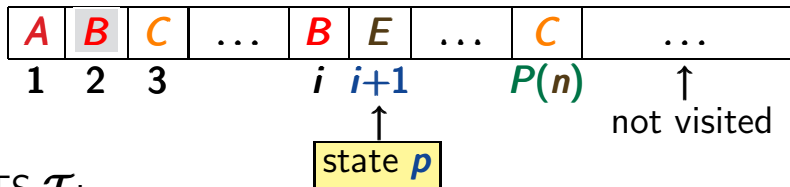


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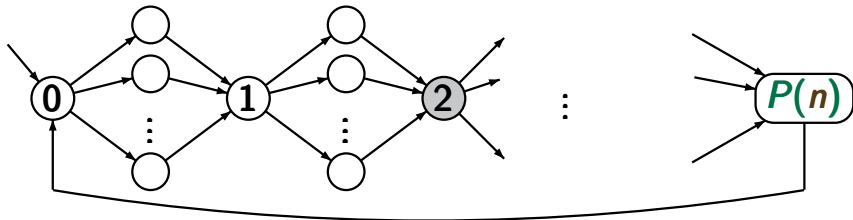
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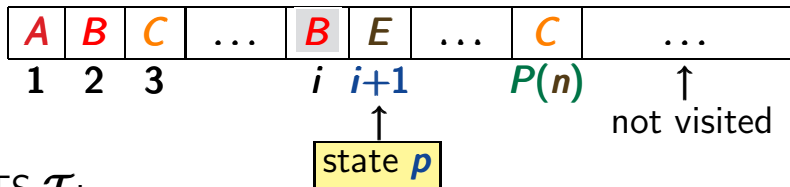


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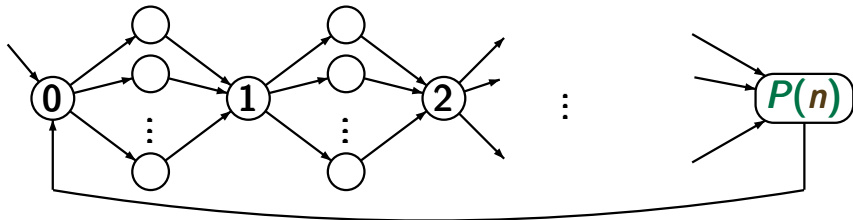
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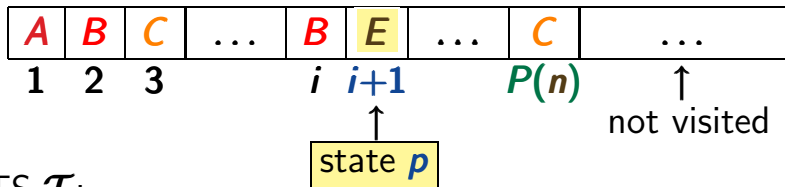


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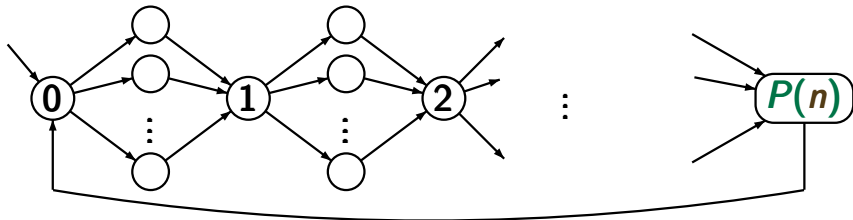
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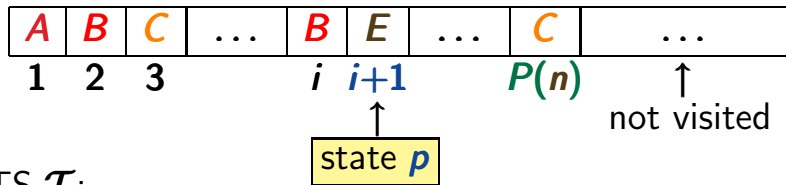


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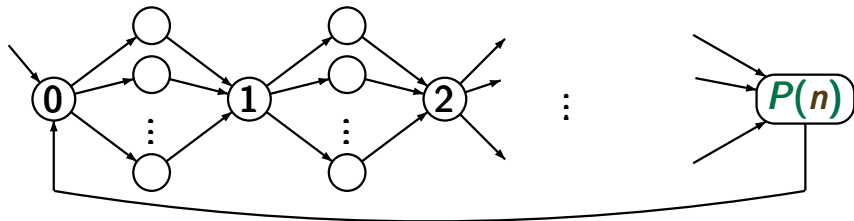
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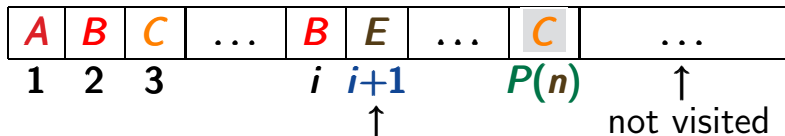


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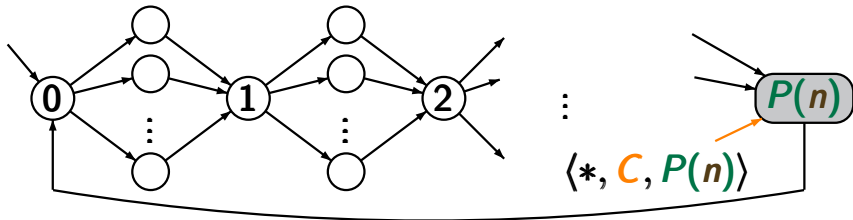
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LTLMC3.2-78A

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LFLMC3.2-77c

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LFLMC3.2-77D

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LTLMC3.2-66

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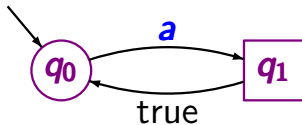
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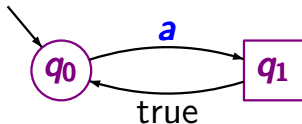


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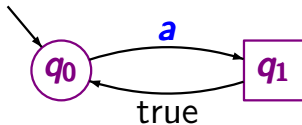
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