

COMP-330

Theory of Computation

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Lec. 8 : Regular and
NON-Reg. Languages

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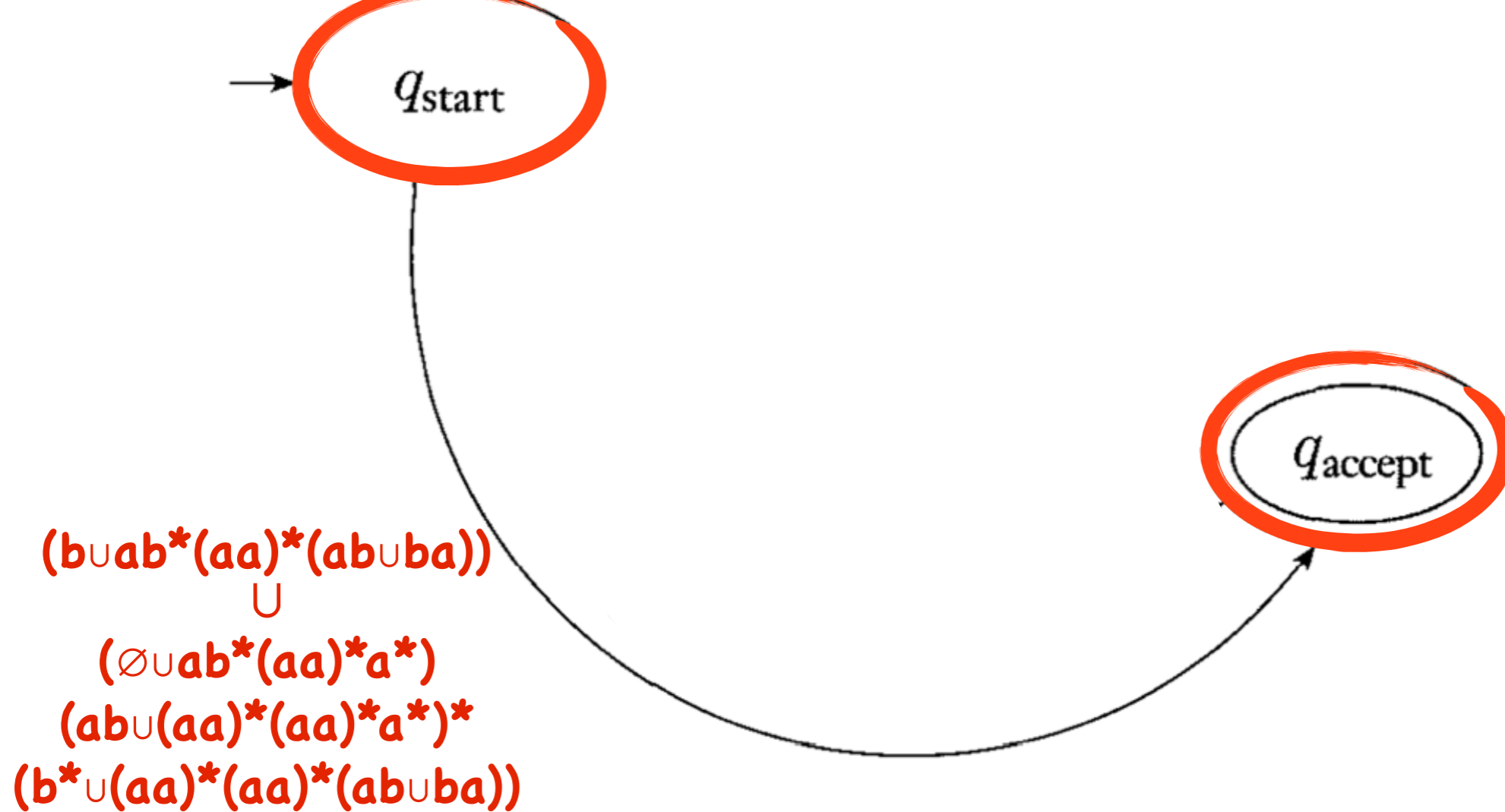
For any GNFA G , $\text{CONVERT}(G)$ is equivalent to G .

We prove this claim by induction on k , the number of states of the GNFA.

“equivalent” means $L(\text{CONVERT}(G)) = L(G)$

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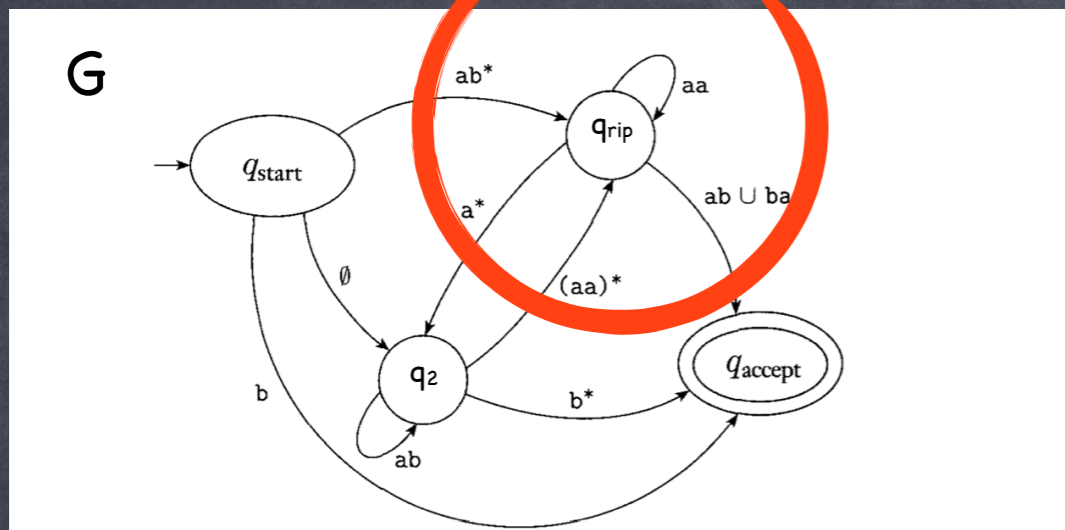
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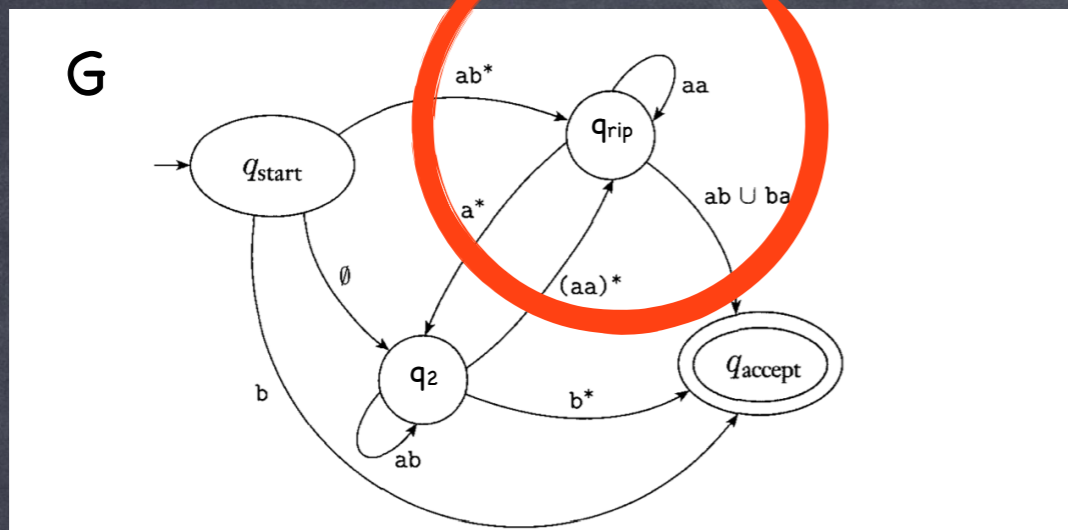
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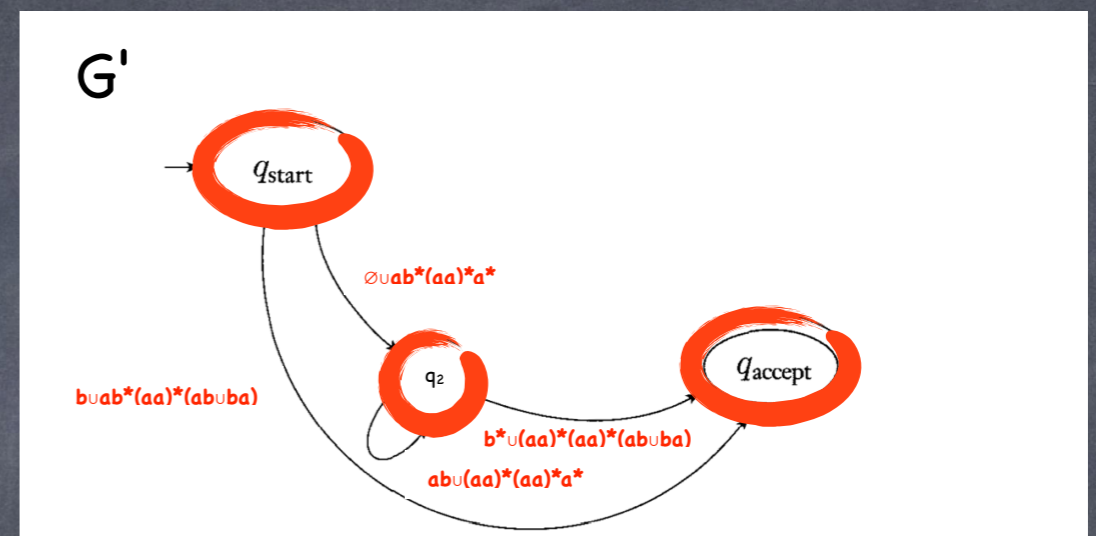
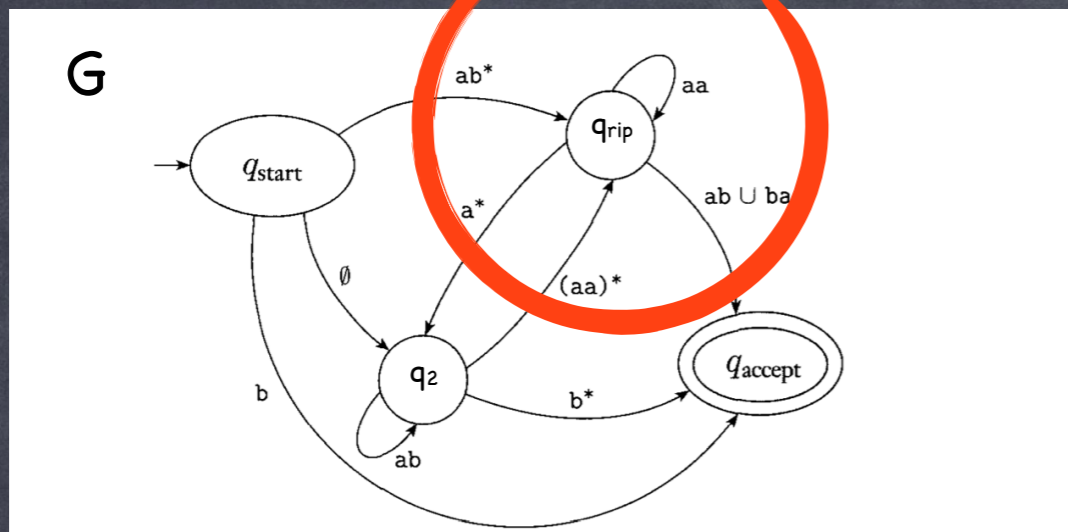
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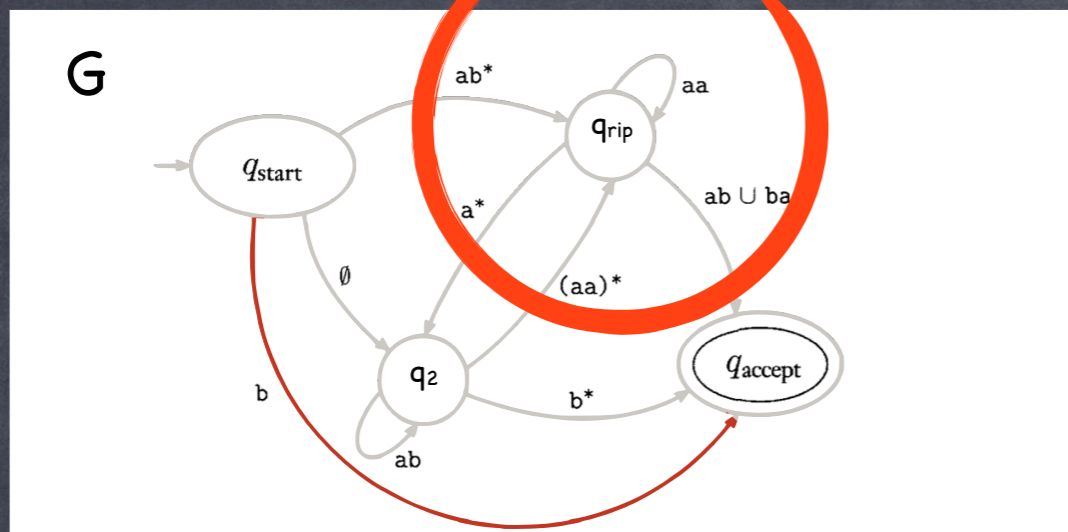


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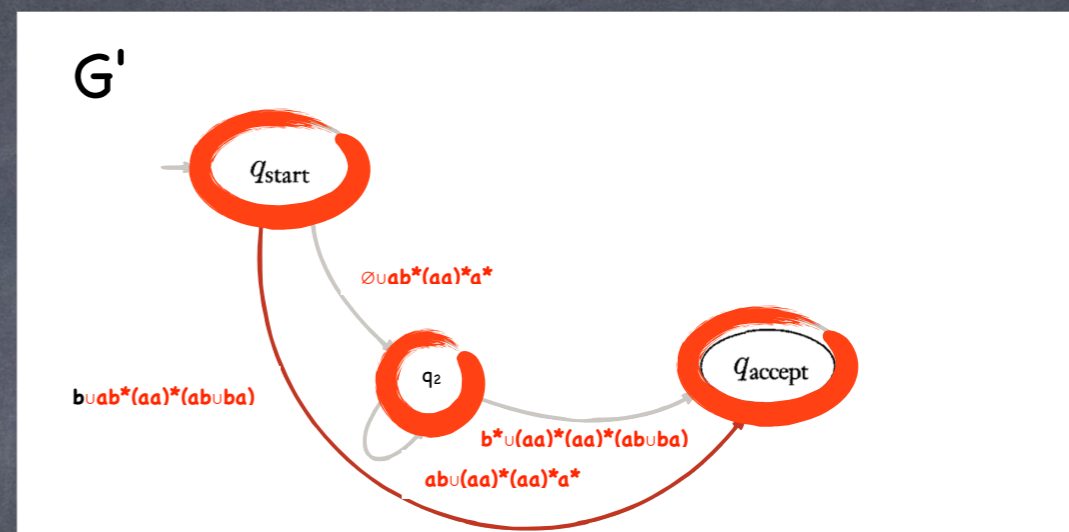
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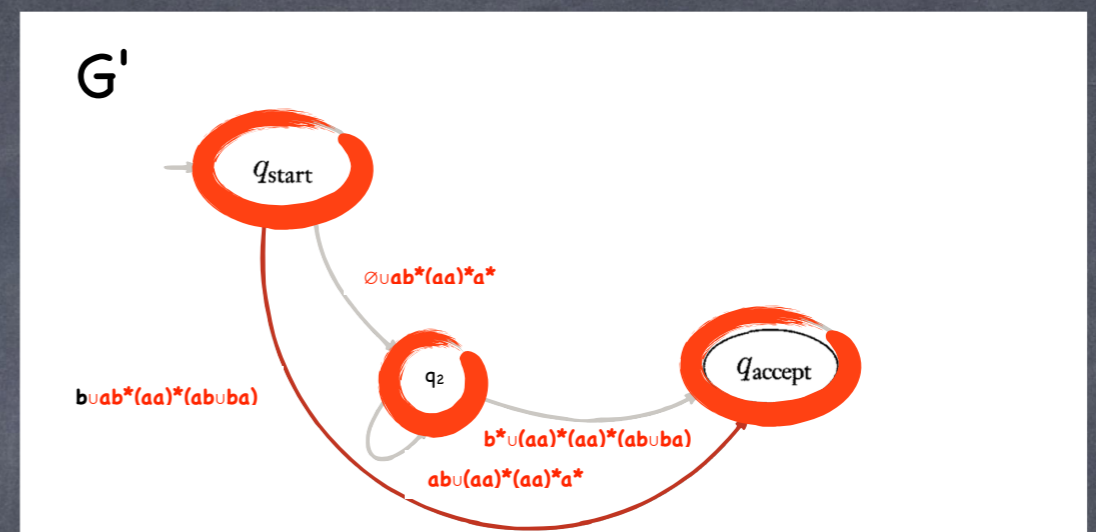
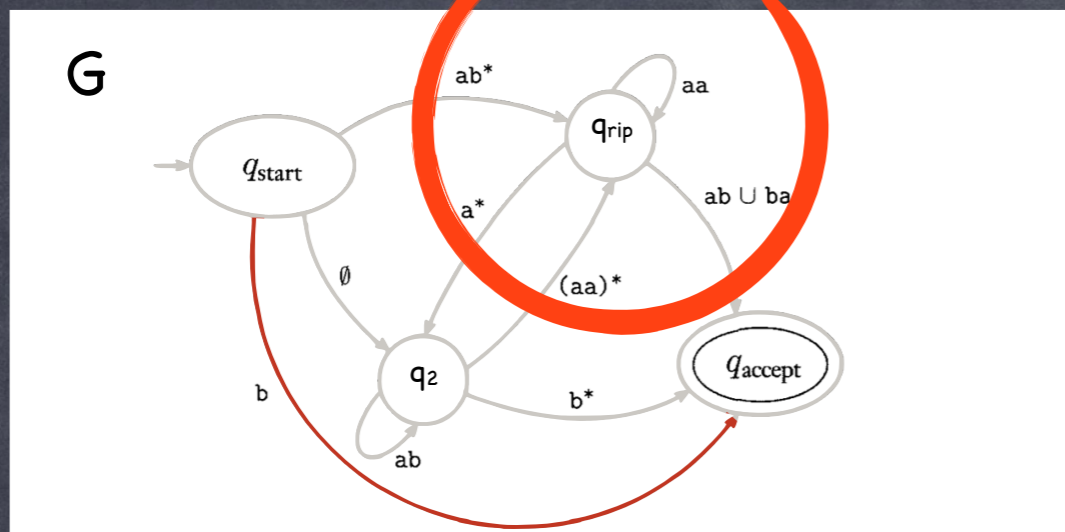
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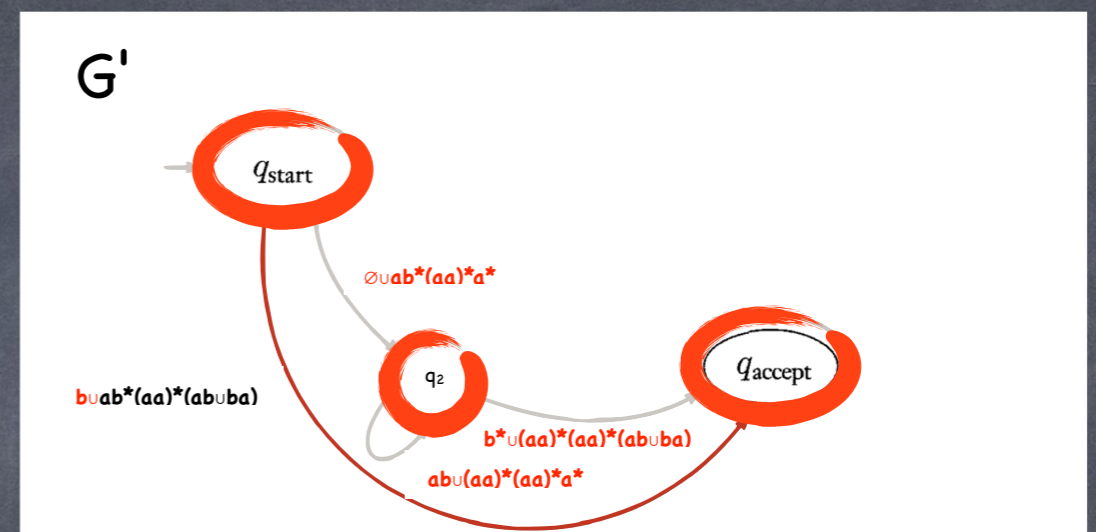
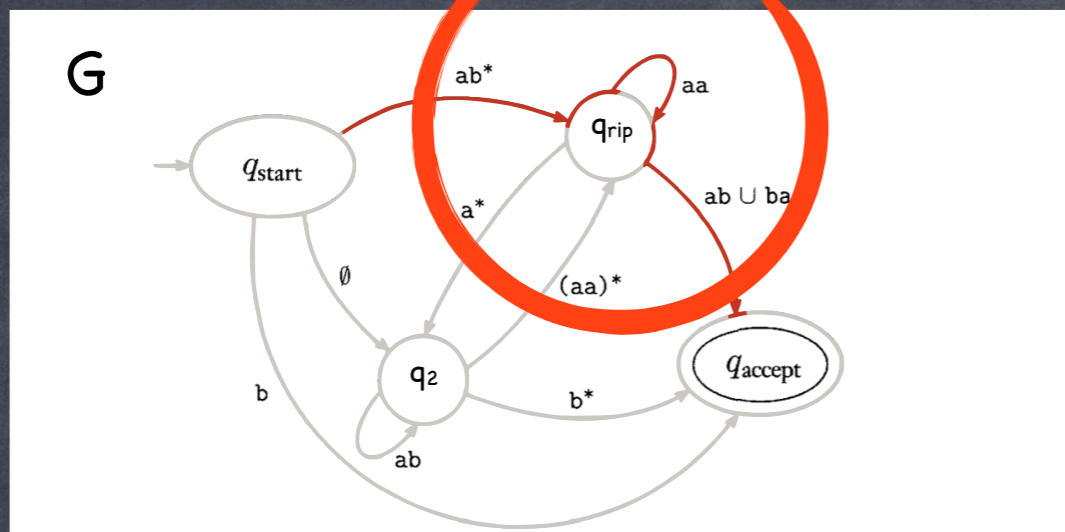
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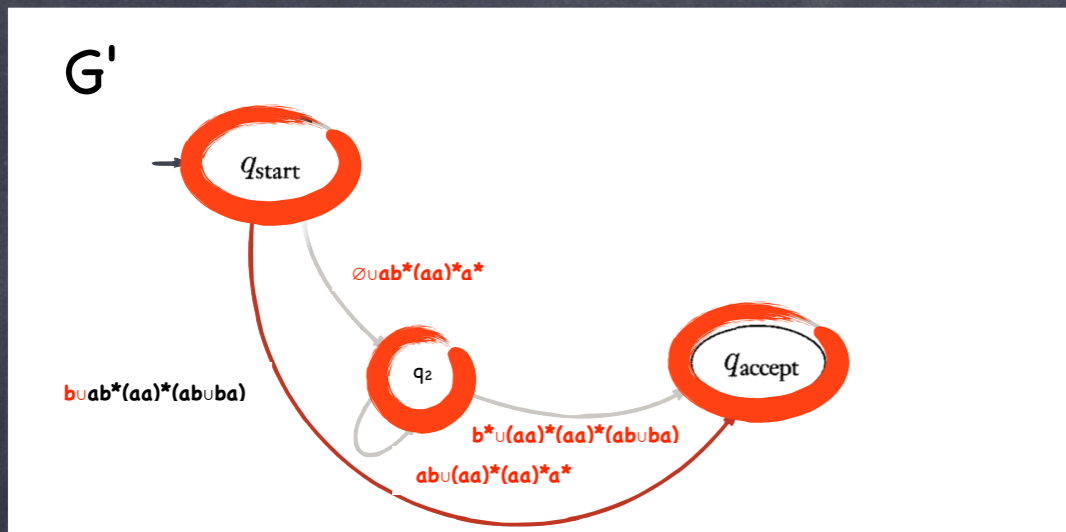
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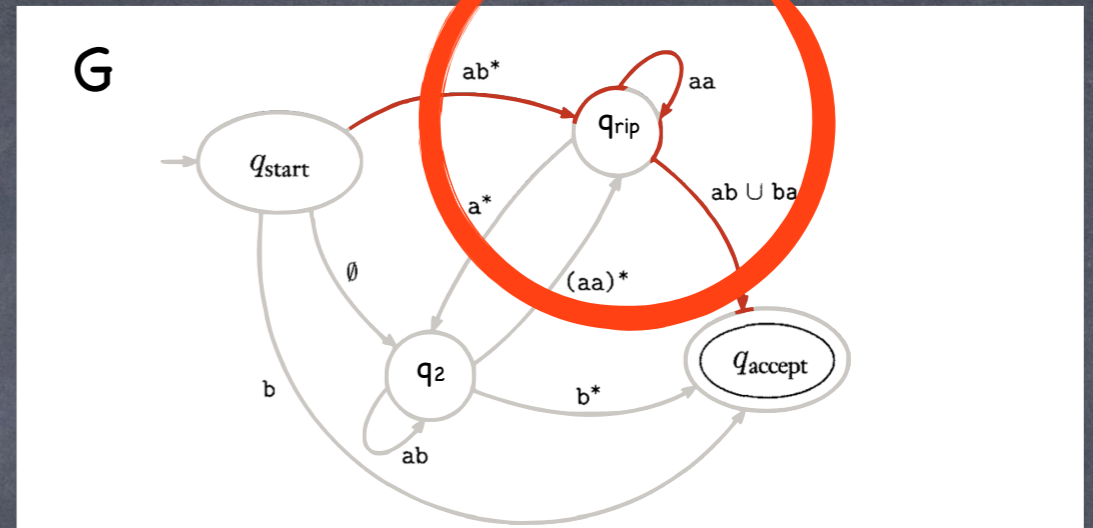
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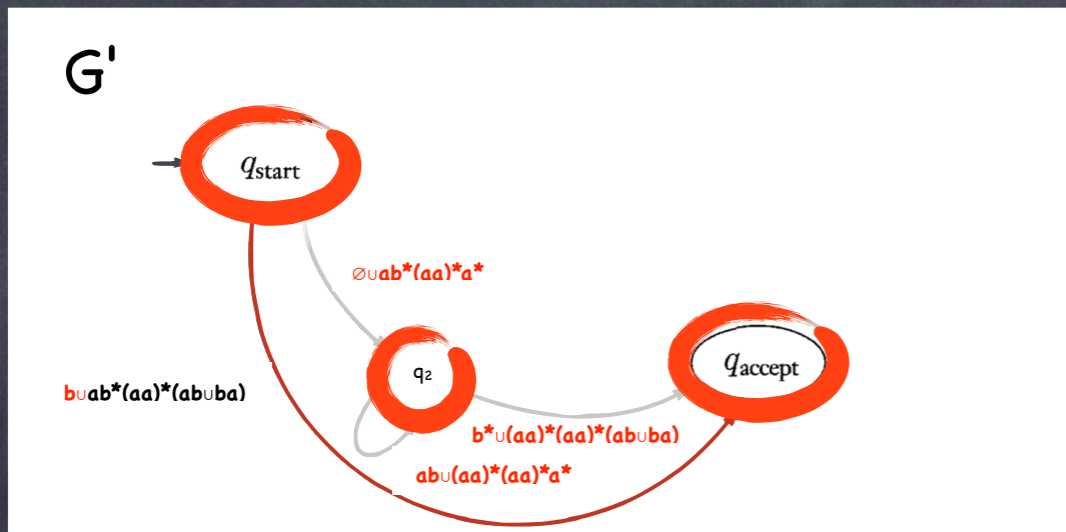
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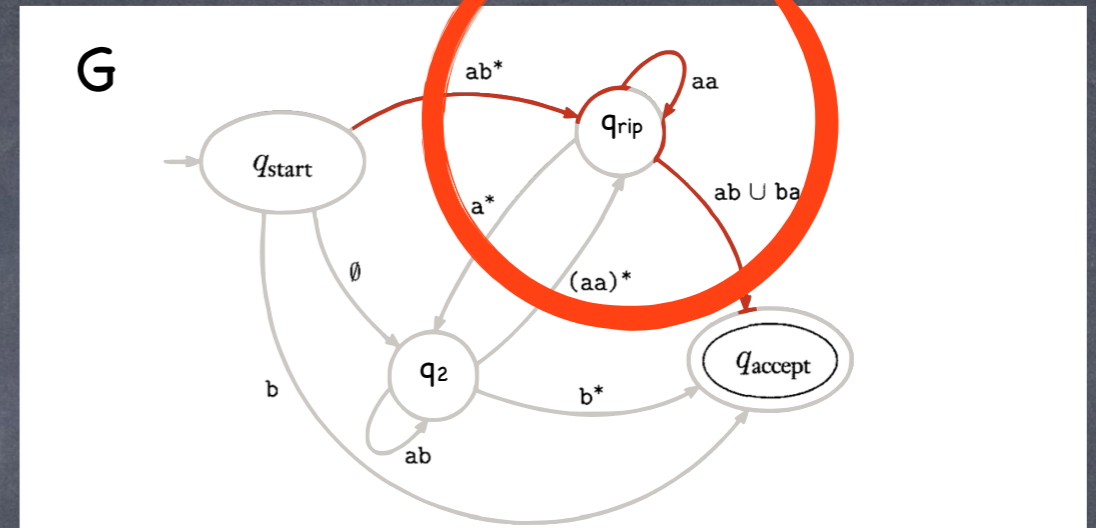
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- Combining both statements we get $L(G')=L(G)$.
- By induction hypothesis $L(G')=L(\text{CONVERT}(G'))$ because G' contains $k-1$ states. By construction, $\text{CONVERT}(G)=\text{CONVERT}(G')$. Therefore
$$L(G)=L(\text{CONVERT}(G))=L(\text{CONVERT}(G'))=L(G').$$

QED

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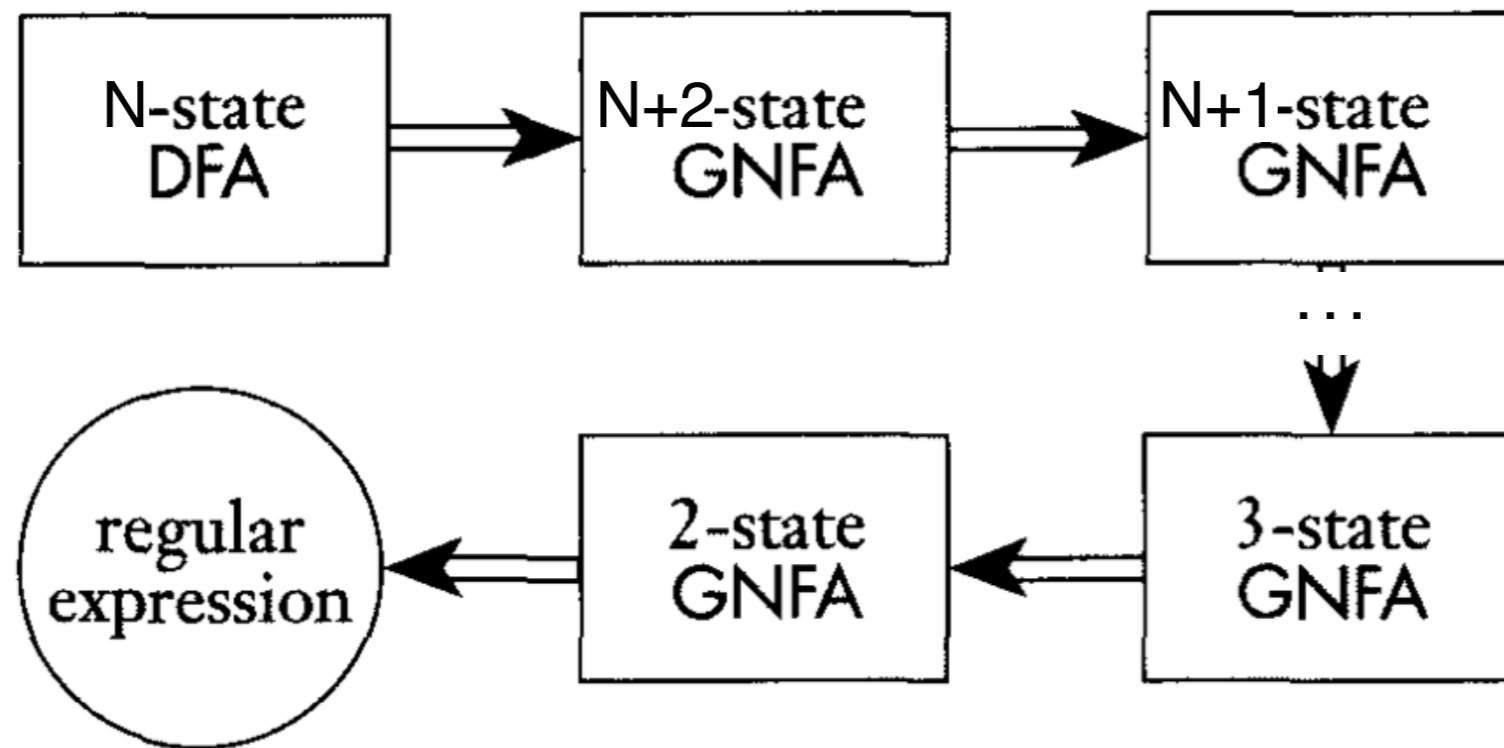
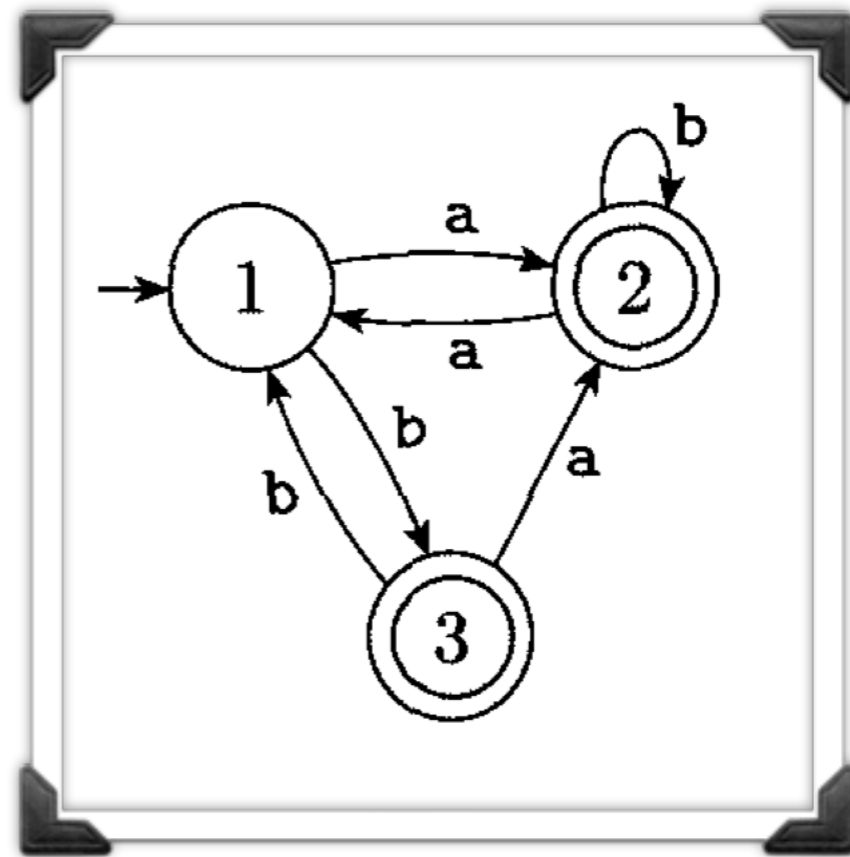
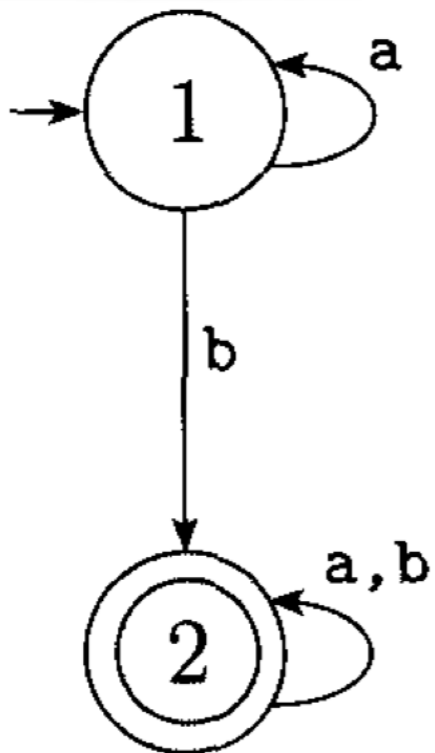


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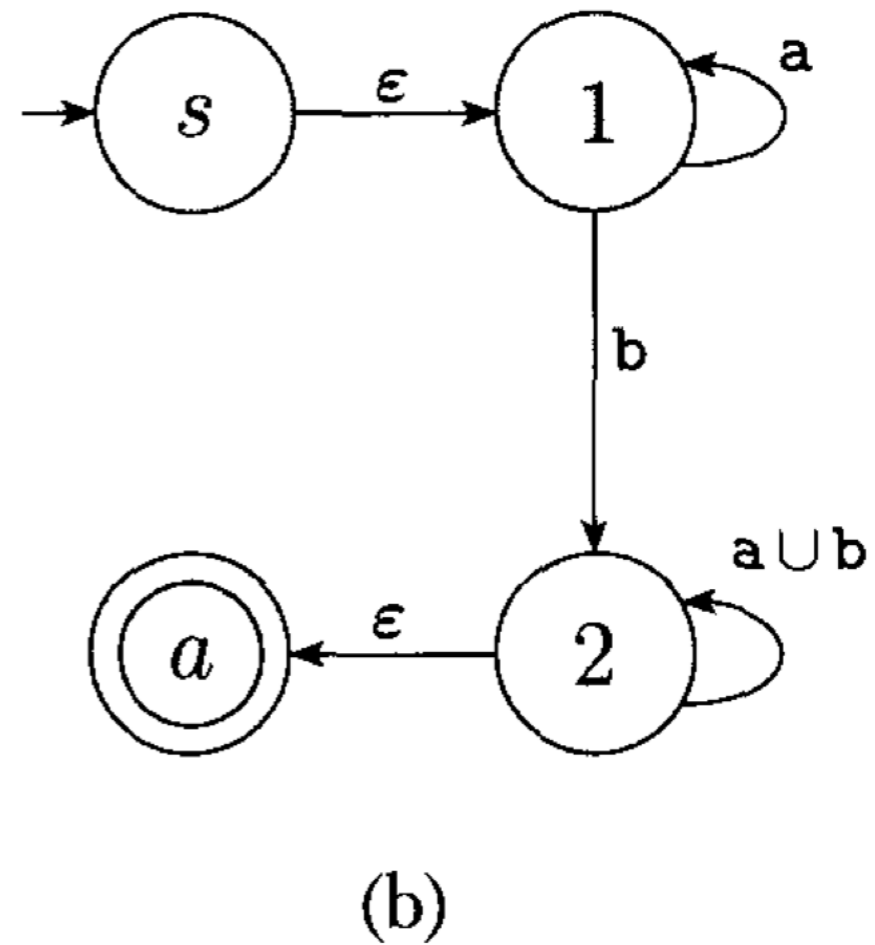
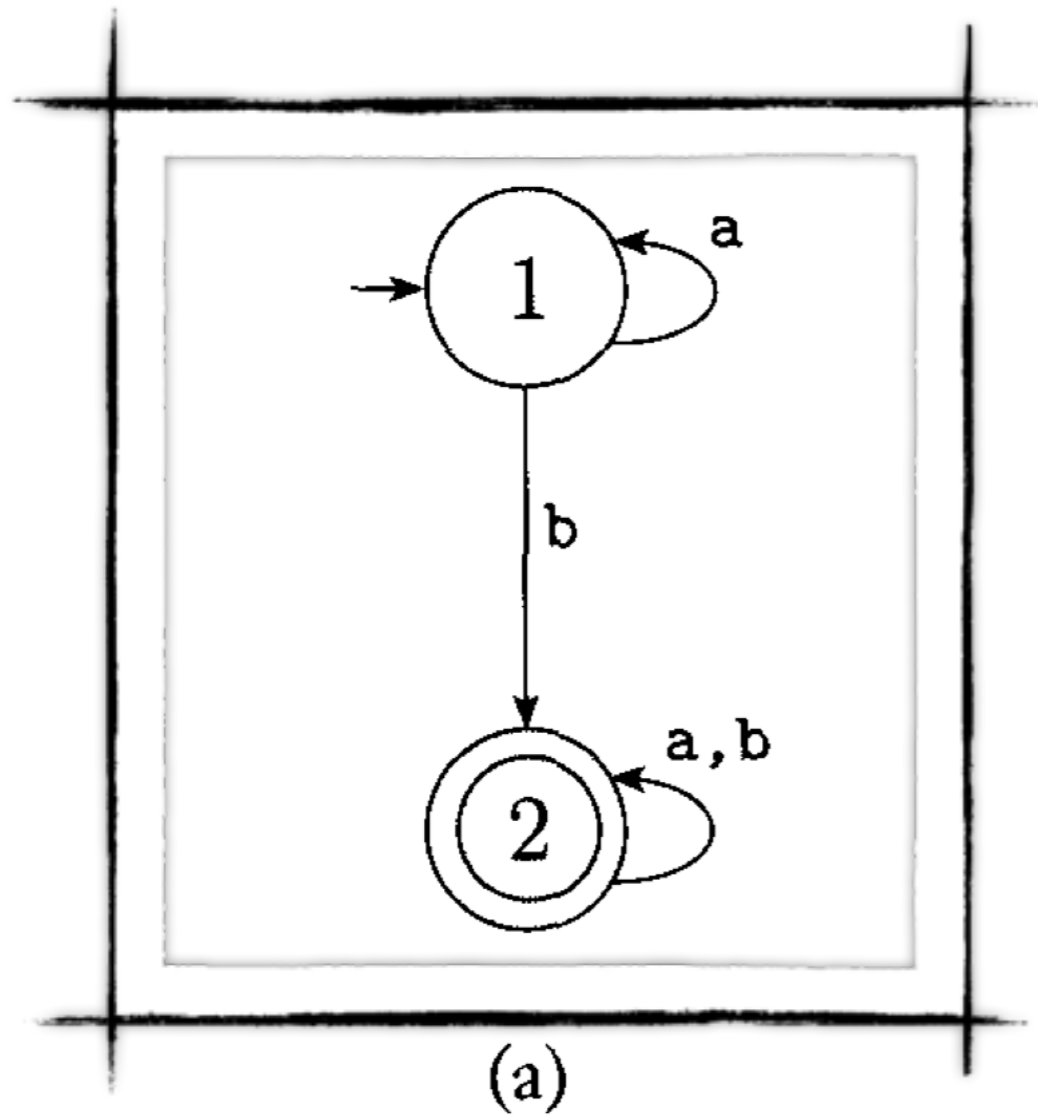
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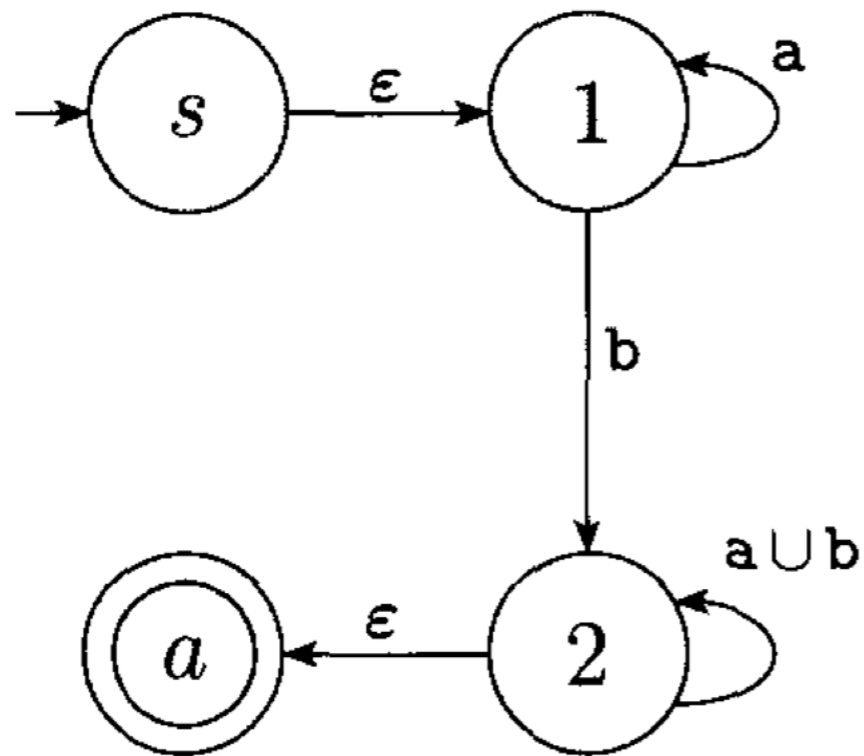
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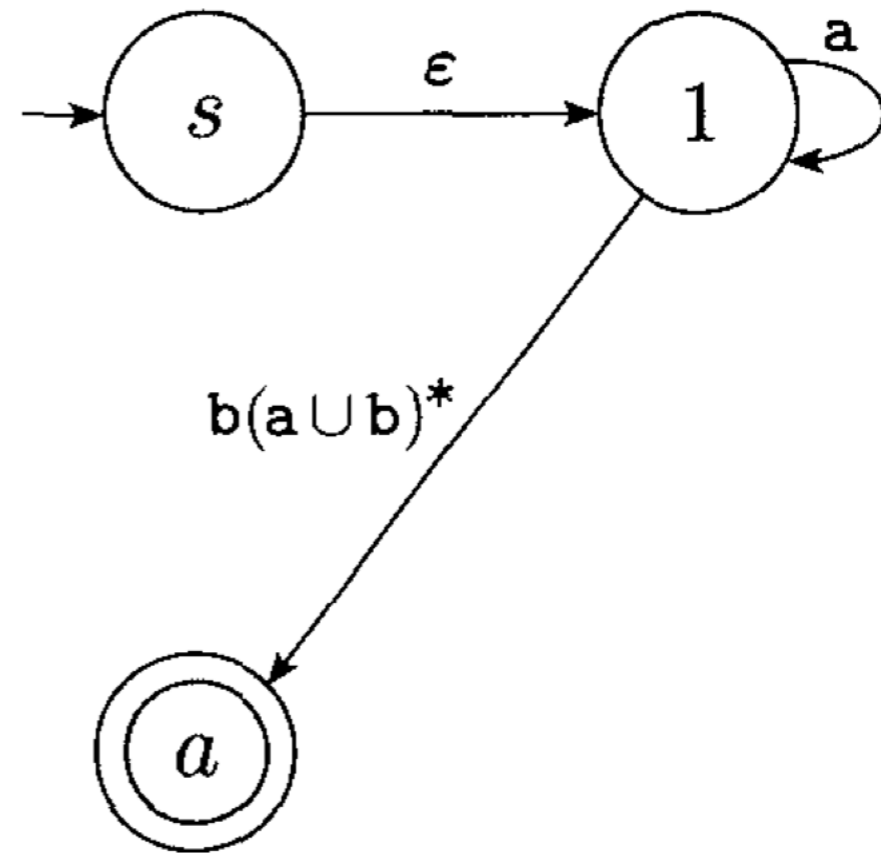
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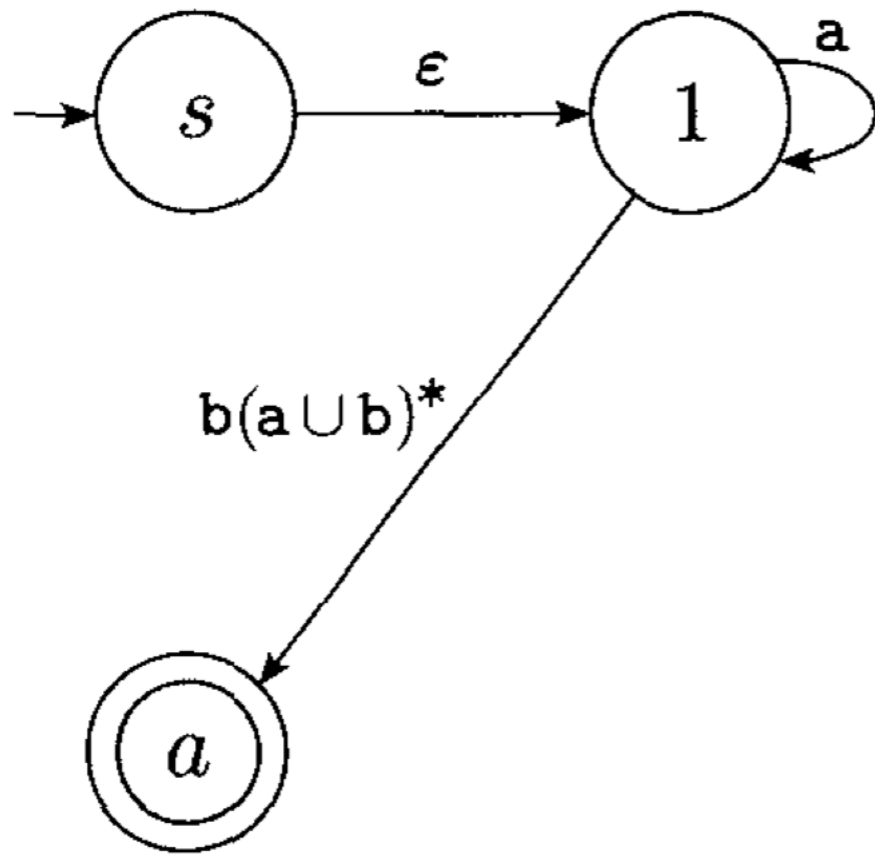


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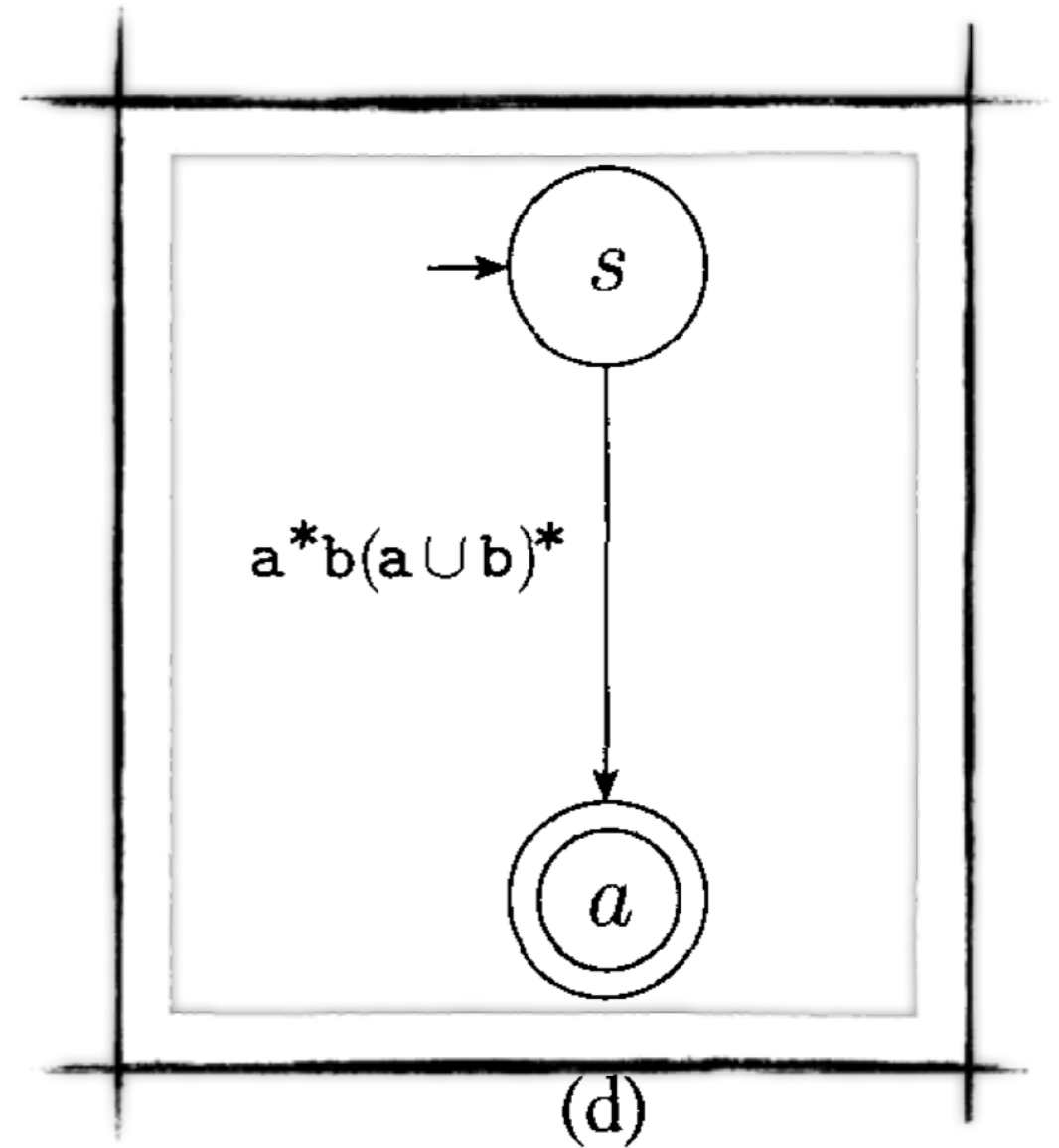


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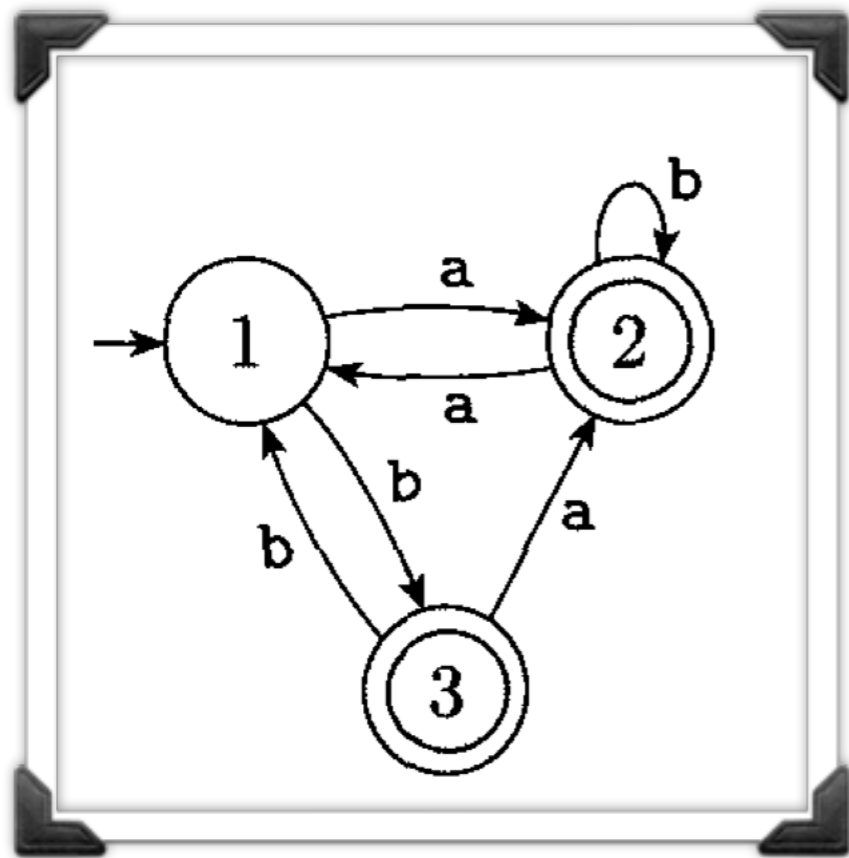


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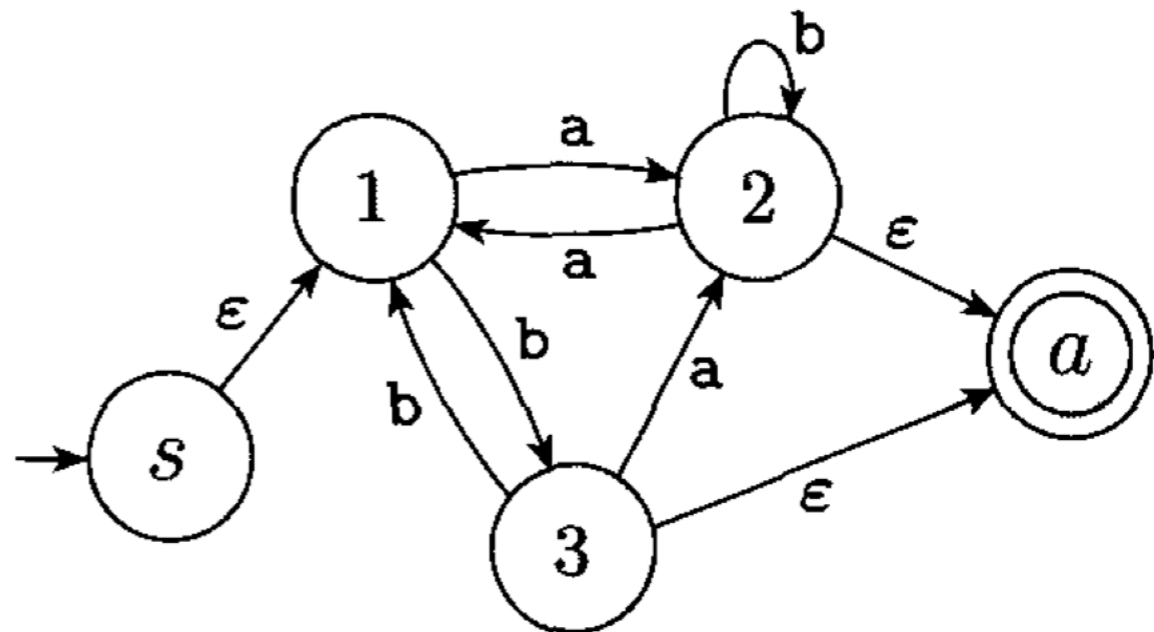


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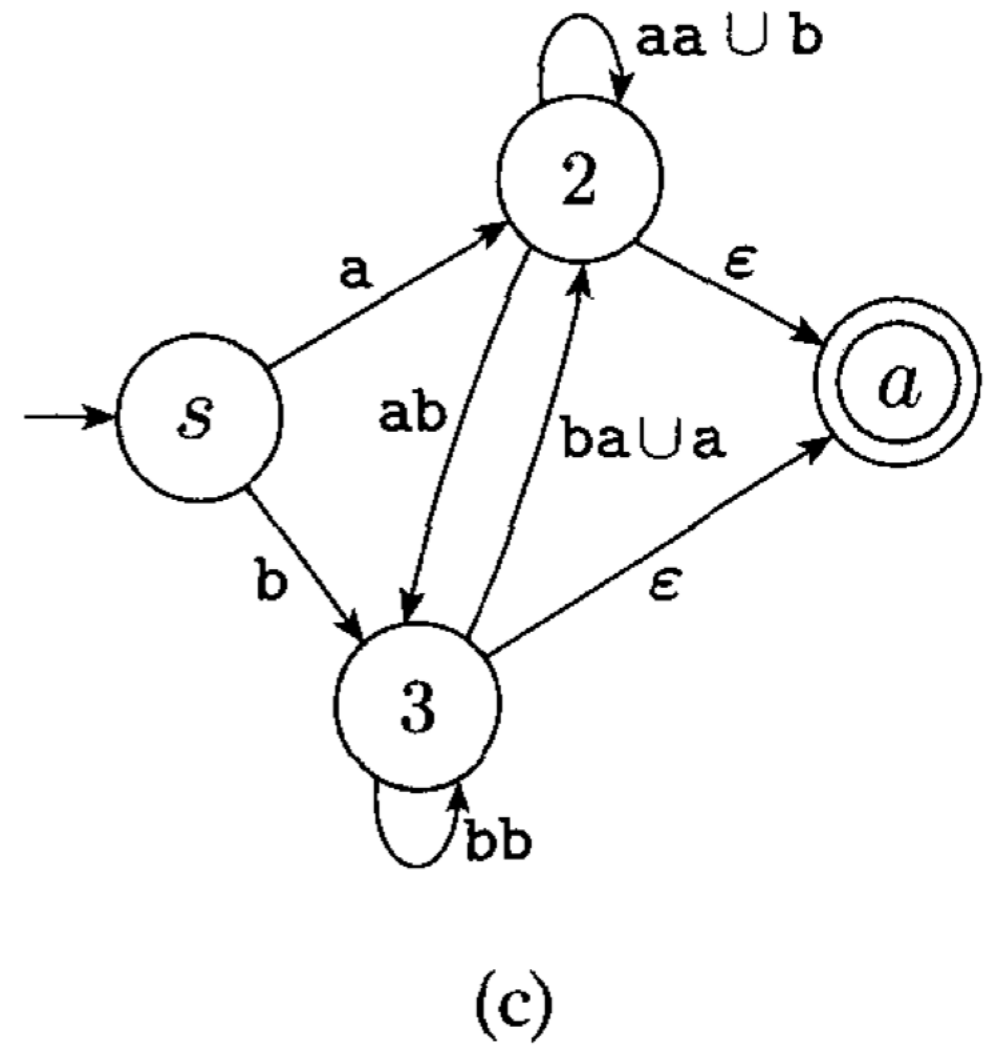
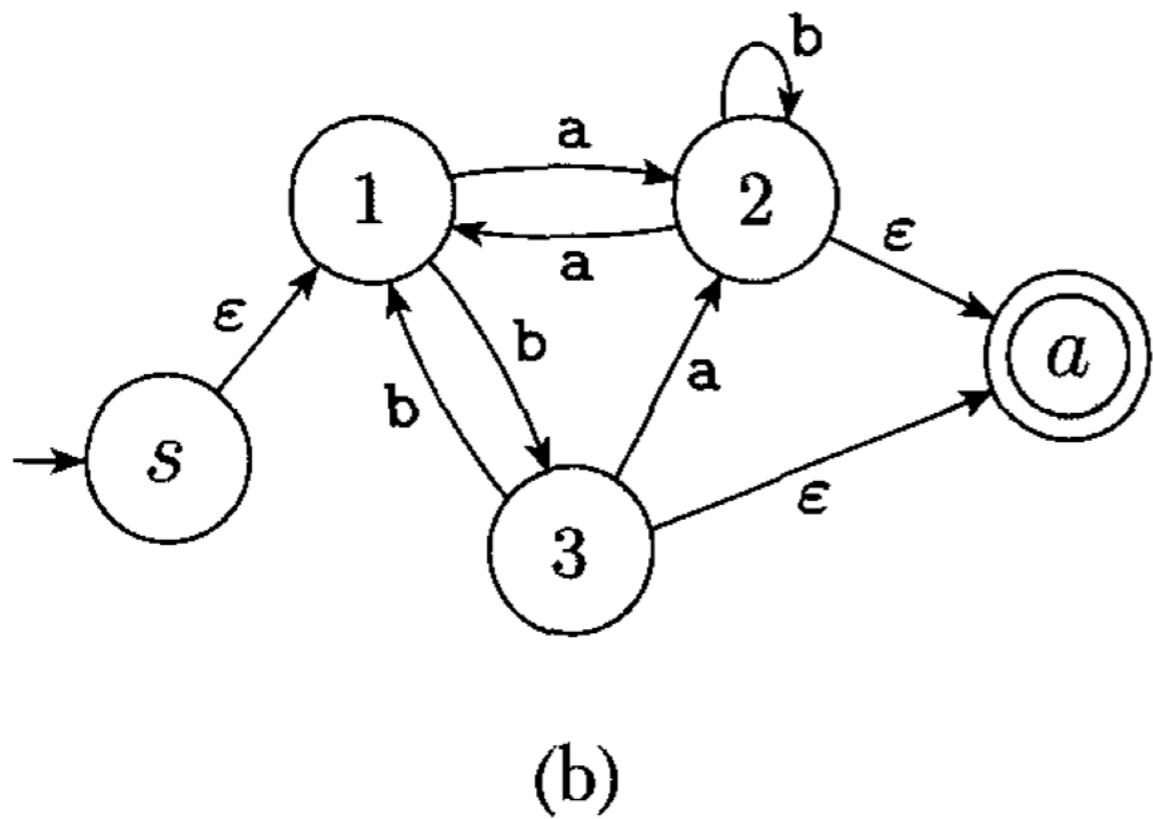


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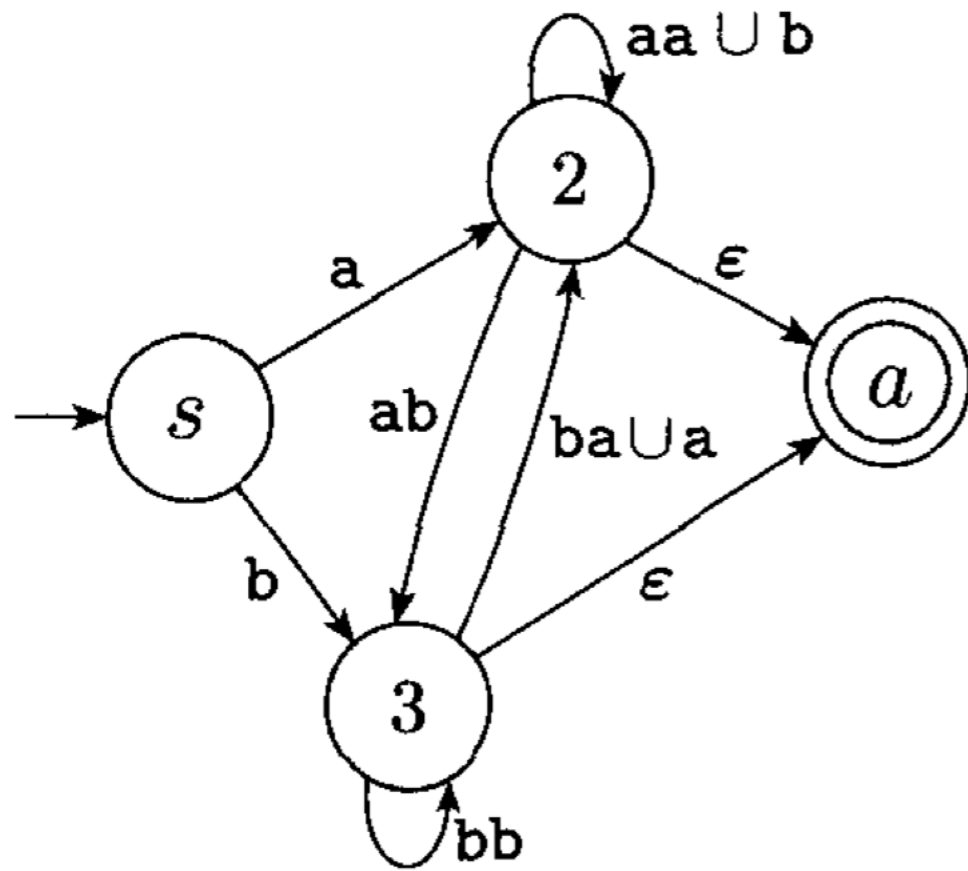


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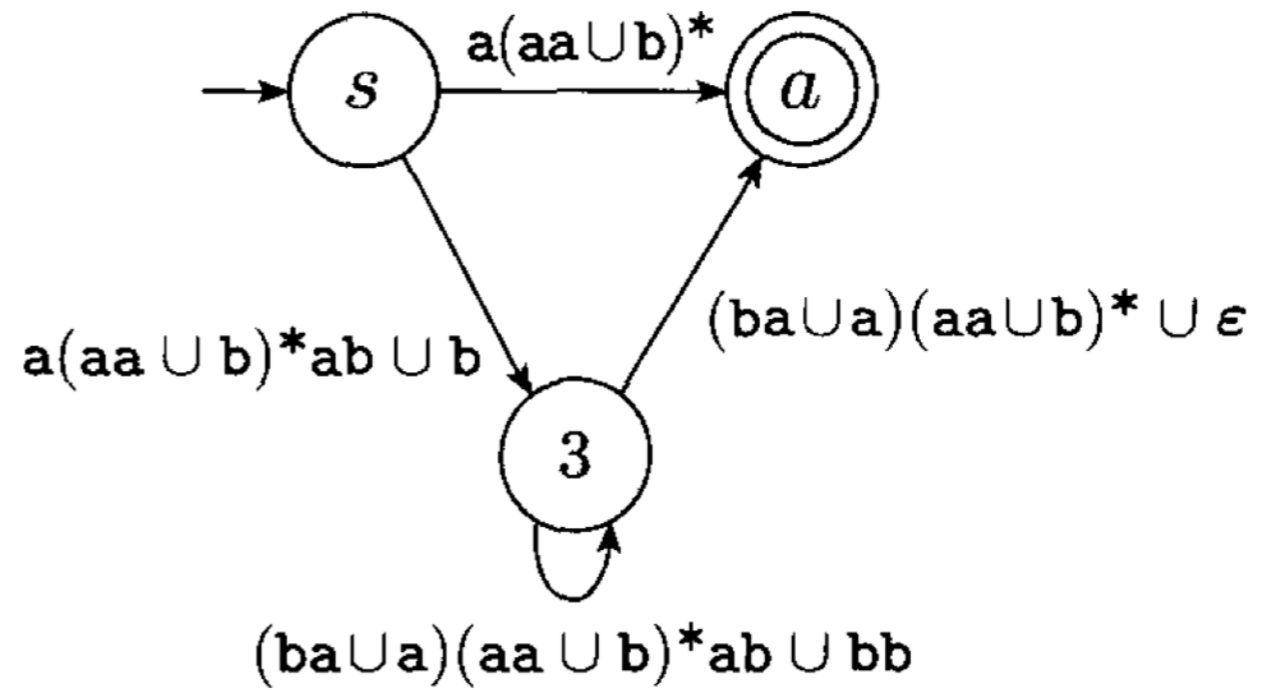
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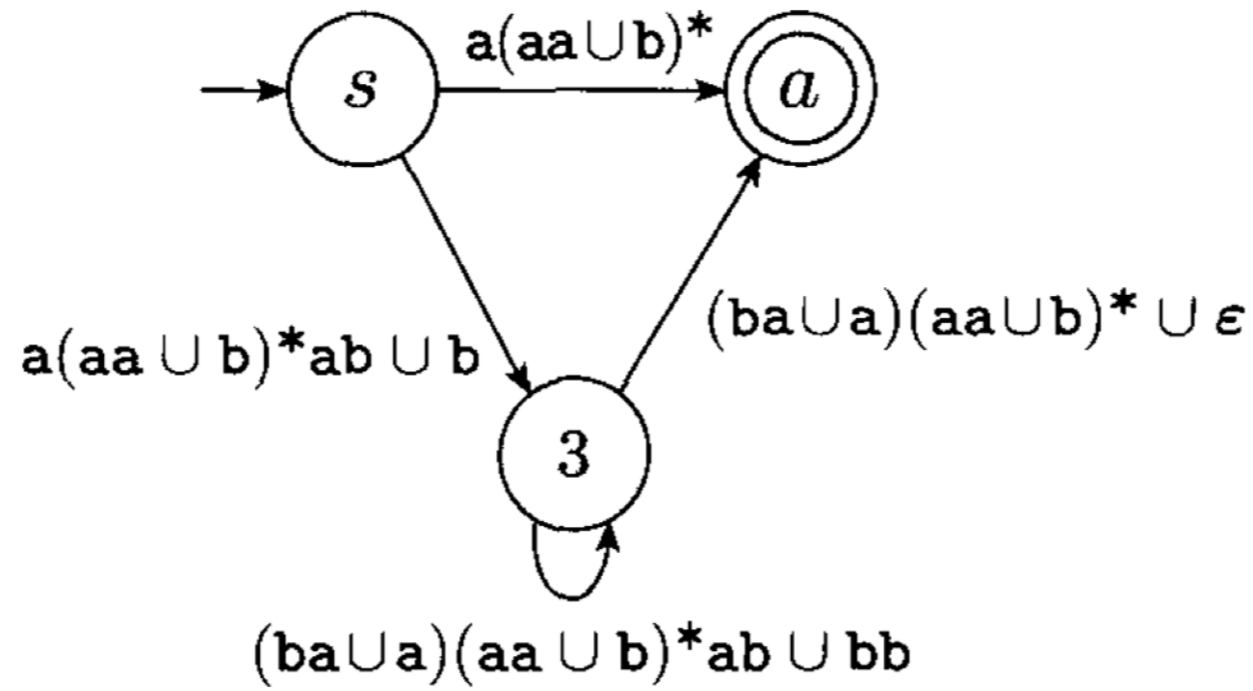


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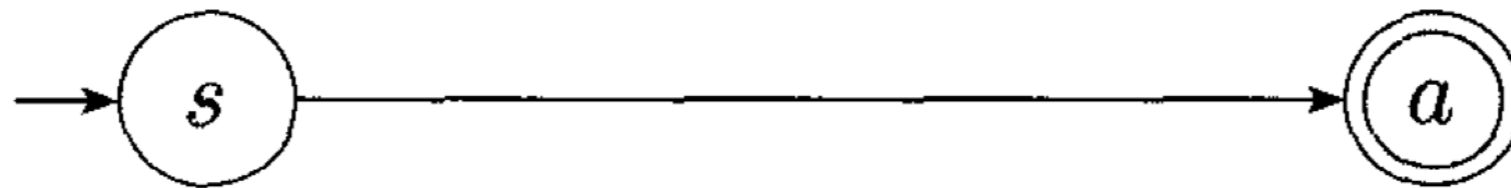


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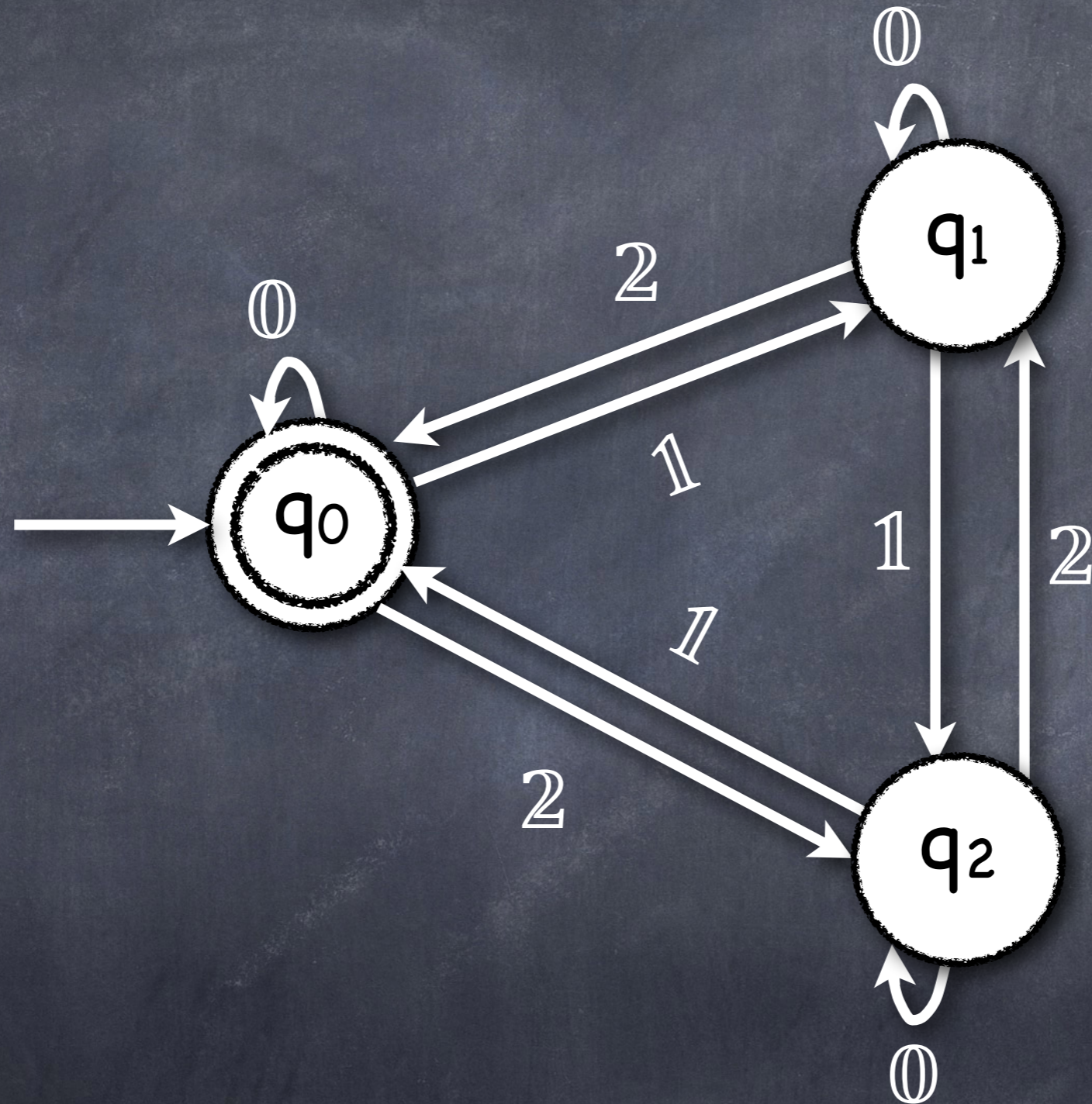


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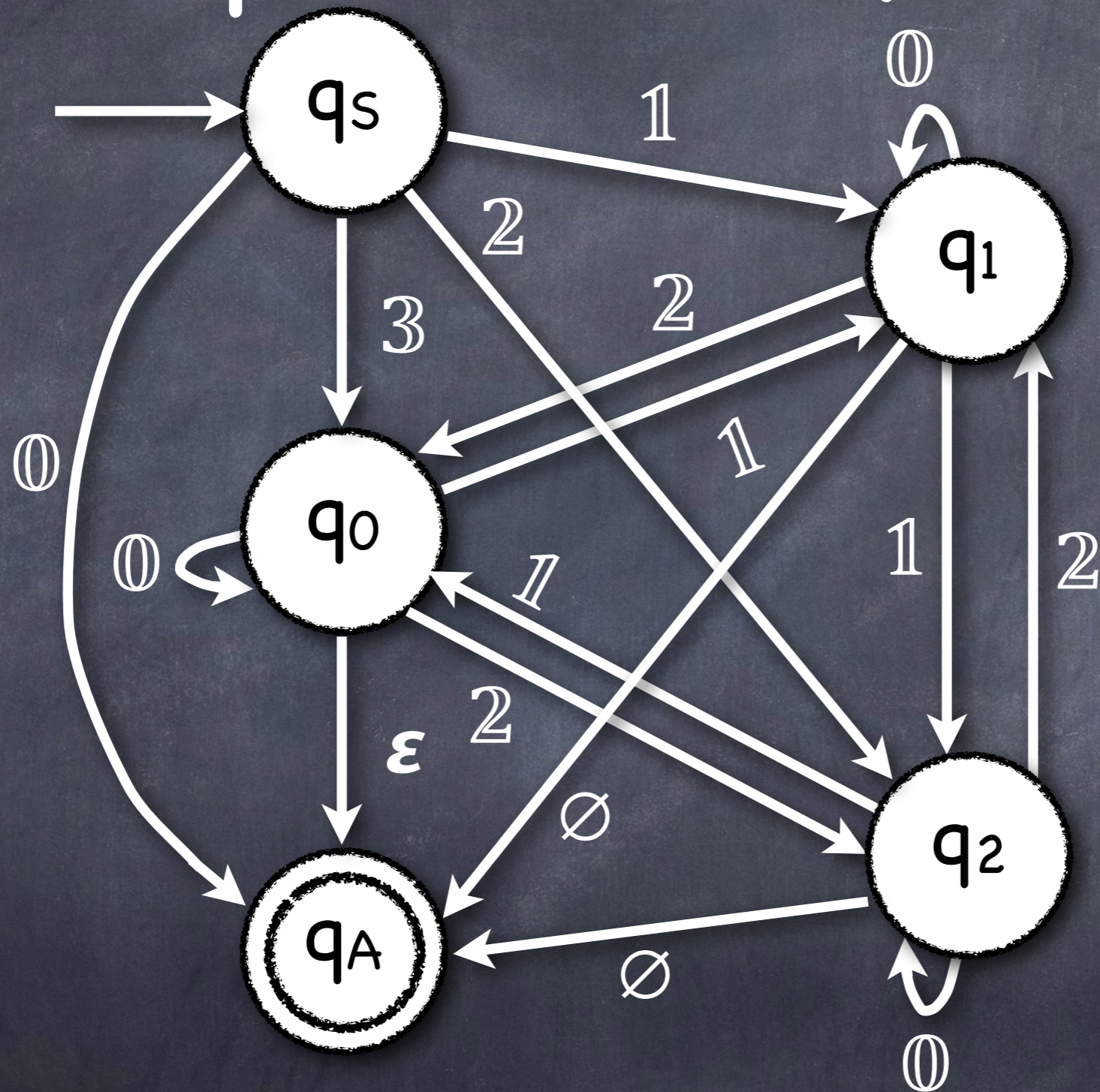
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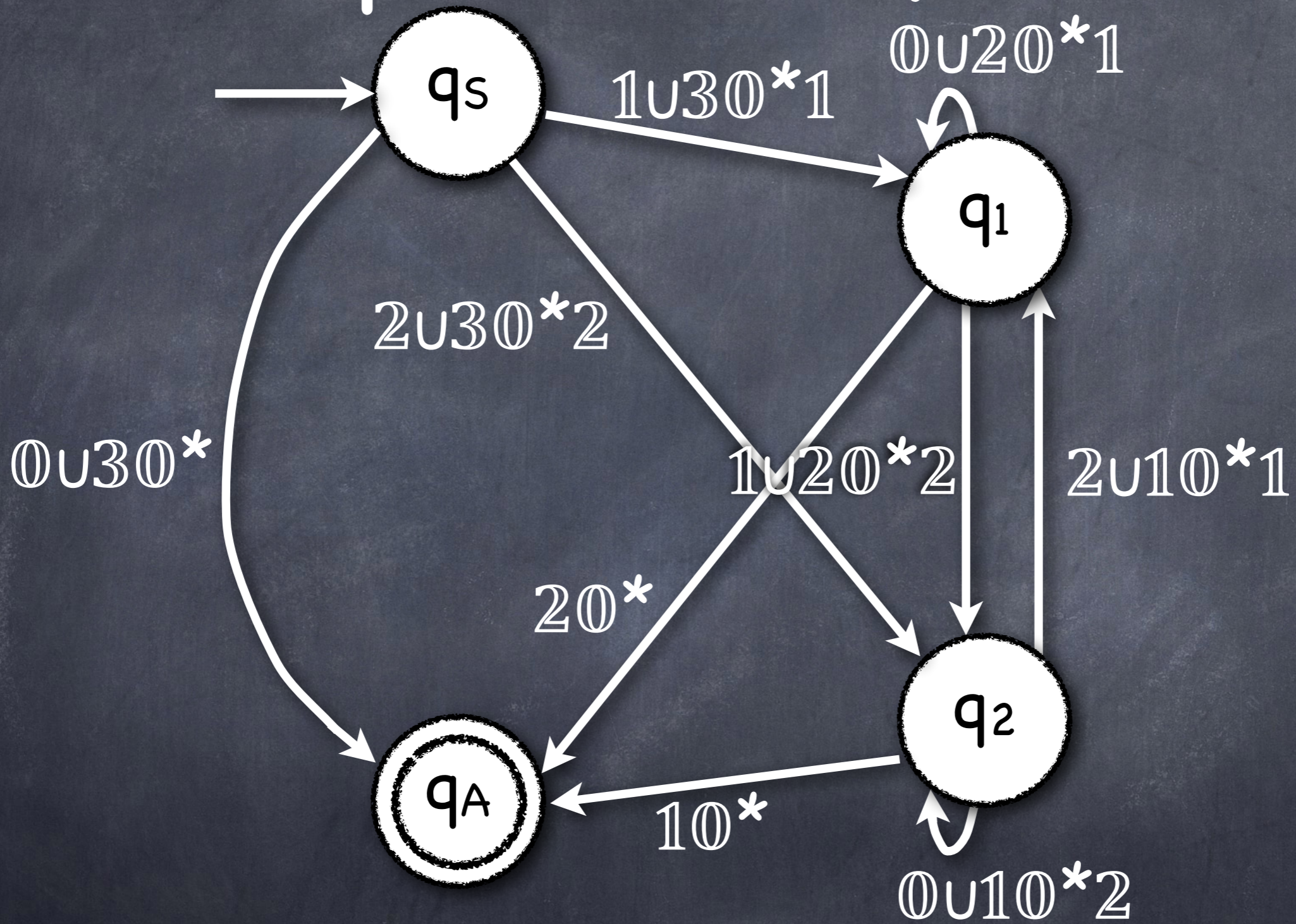
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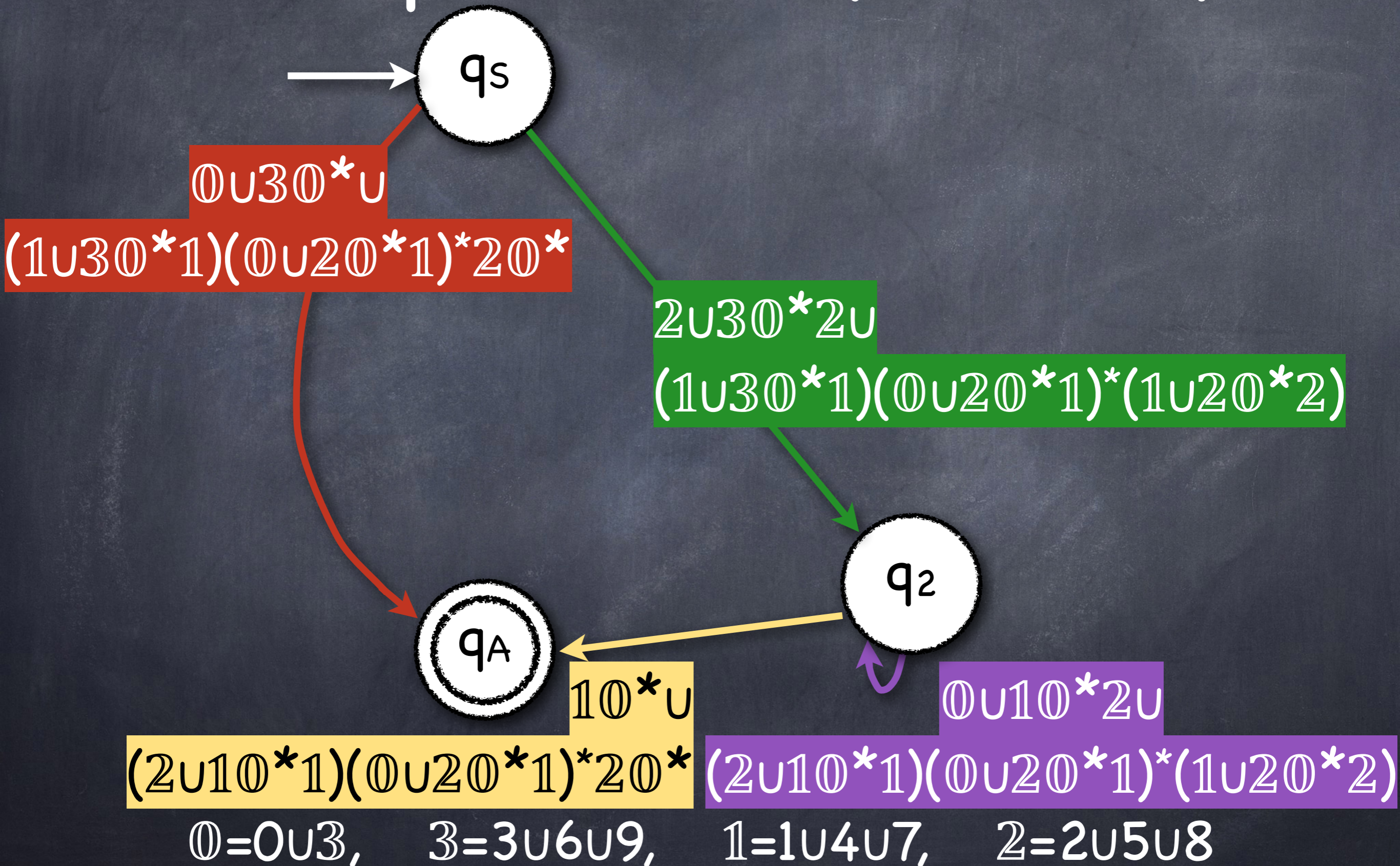
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(\approx means "identical up to state renaming").

Regular and non-Regular Languages

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- $F_U = F_A \times F_B$ would yield the **intersection** (and not the **union**) of L_A and L_B .
This proves that the class of regular languages is also closed under intersection.

NON-Regular Languages

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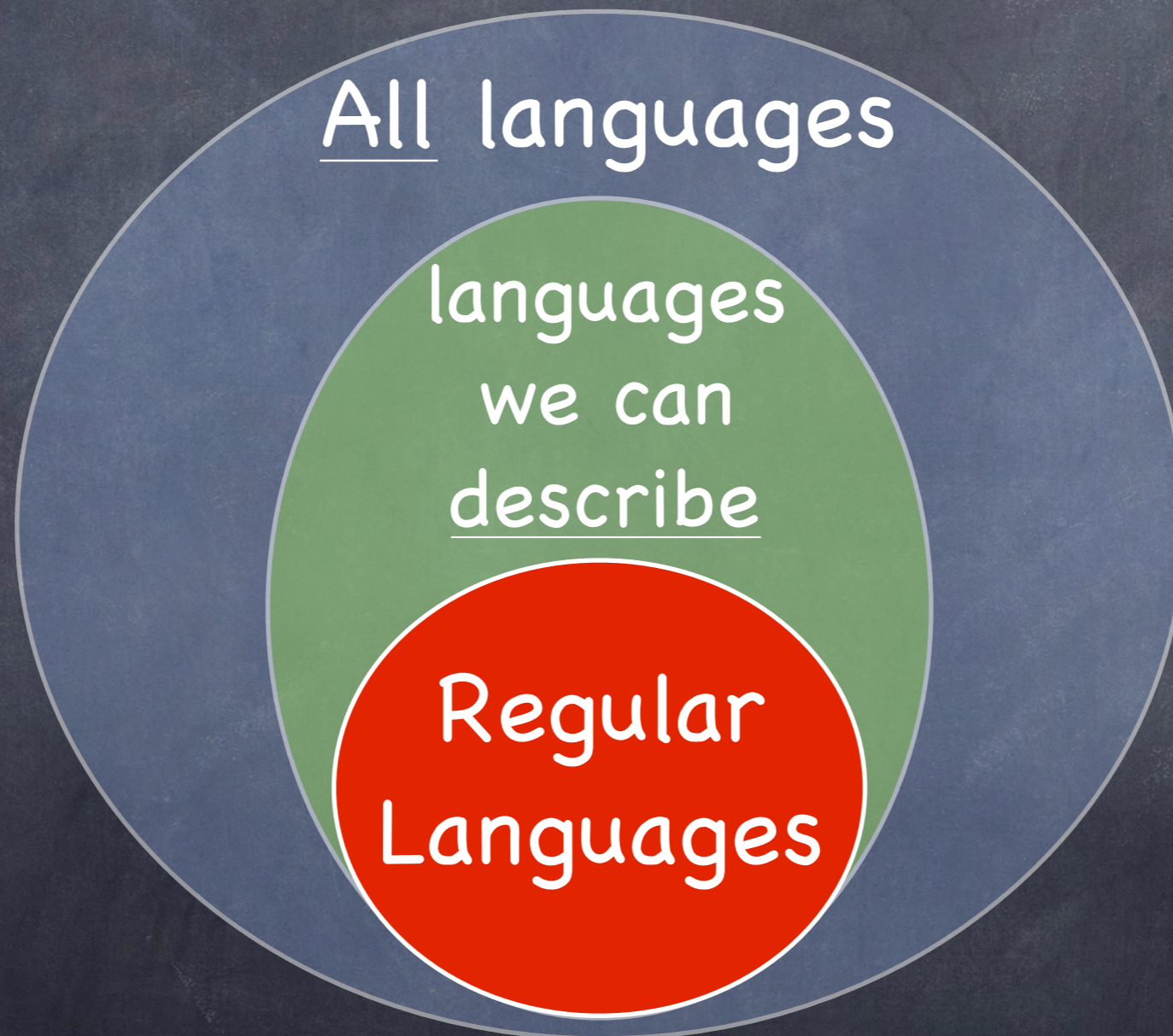
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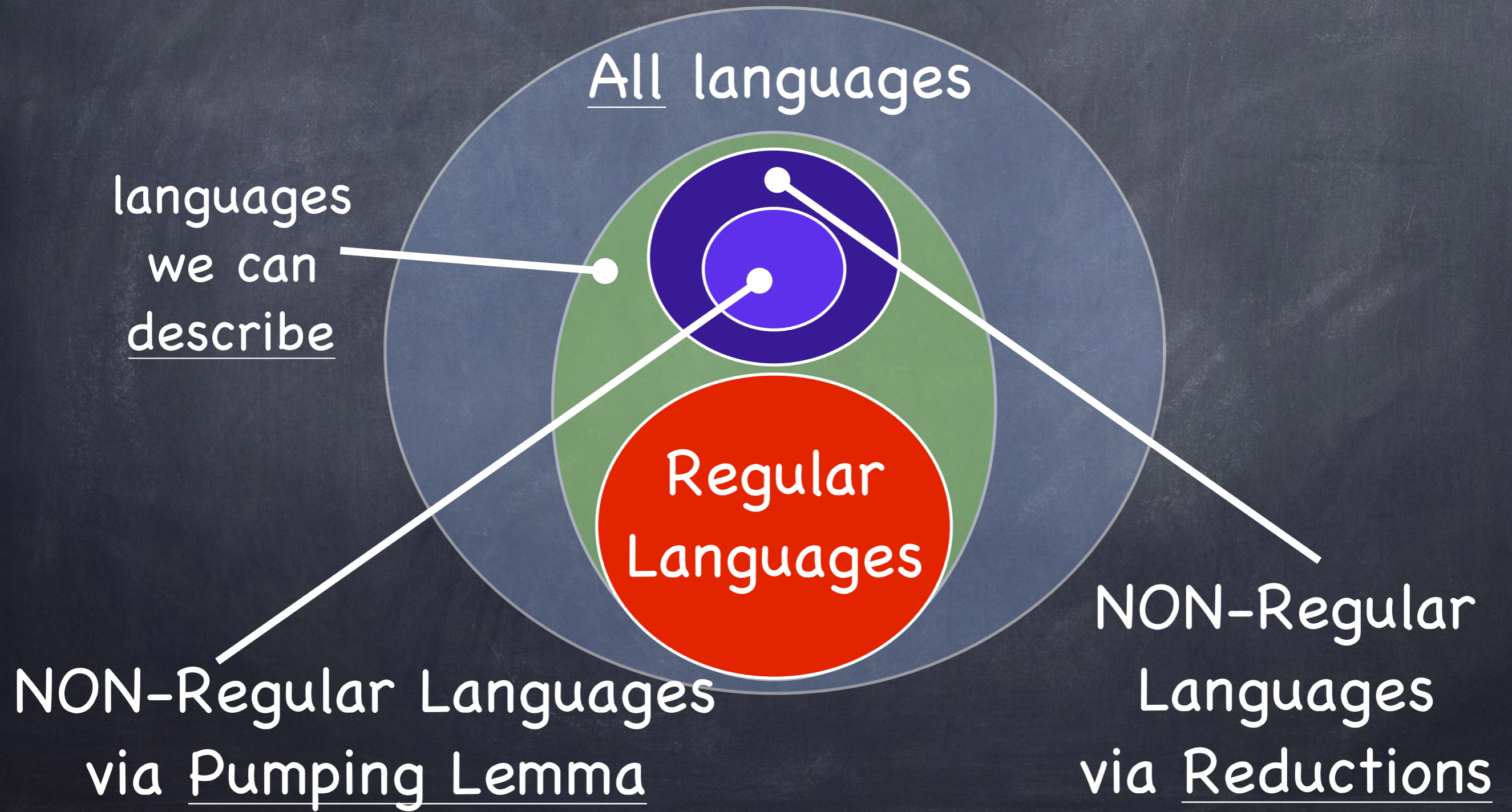


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- Theorem: Some languages are not regular.

Proof idea: all regular languages have certain properties. Some languages provably do not have one of these properties.

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Reductions

- If C is regular then so is B .
- Proof: Regular languages are closed under intersection (see footnote 3 page 46). Define $A = L(0^*1^*)$. Obviously A is regular. If C was regular then so would $C \cap A = B$.

QED

- If B is NON-regular then so is C .

$$B = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

$$C = \{ w \mid w \text{ contains an equal number of 0's and 1's} \}$$

Reductions

- If A is regular then so is A' .
- Regular languages are closed under complement (see ex. 1.14), intersection, union, concatenation and star. If there exists R , a regular language, such that either $A^c = A'$, $A^* = A'$, $A \cap R = A'$, $A \cup R = A'$, $A \circ R = A'$ or any combinations of these operations then A' is regular as long as A is.
- If A' is NON-regular then so is A .

Simple Reductions

- If A^* is NON-regular then so is A .
- If A is NON-regular then so is A^c .
- If A is NON-regular then so is A^R .

Complex Reductions

- Let $A' = (A \cup R) \cap (A^c \cup R')$ $(R, R' \text{ regular})$
- Let $A' = ((A^c \cap R) \cup (A \cap R')) \circ R''$ $(R, R', R'' \text{ regular})$
- Let $A' = (A \circ R) \cap (A^c \circ R')$ $(R, R' \text{ regular})$
- If A' is NON-regular then so is A .

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- Example: A property of all regular languages = the Pumping Lemma.

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