

COMP-330

Theory of Computation

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LECTURE 14a :

MIDTERM REVIEW

Definition of DFA

- States
- Alphabet
- Transition function
- Start state
- Accept states

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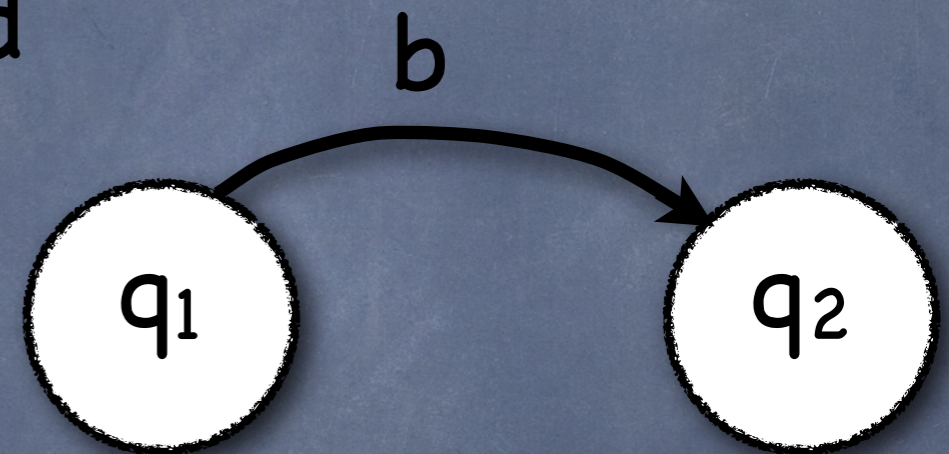
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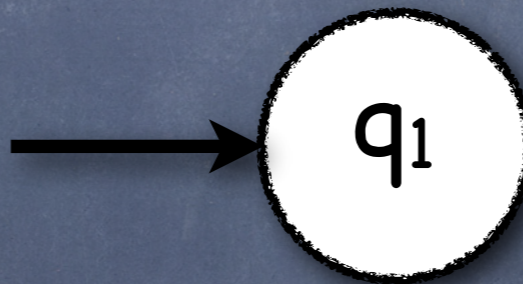
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Definition of DFA

DEFINITION 1.5

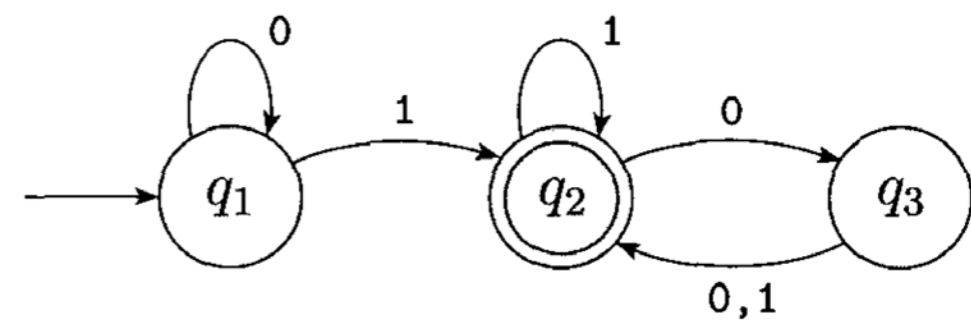
A *finite automaton* is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$, where

1. Q is a finite set called the *states*,
2. Σ is a finite set called the *alphabet*,
3. $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \longrightarrow Q$ is the *transition function*,
4. $q_0 \in Q$ is the *start state*, and
5. $F \subseteq Q$ is the *set of accept states*.

Regular Languages

- Let $M=(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ be a finite state automaton and let $w=w_1w_2\dots w_n$ ($n \geq 0$) be a string where each symbol w_i is from the alphabet Σ .
- M accepts w if states s_0, s_1, \dots, s_n exist s.t.
 1. $s_0 = q_0$
 2. $s_{i+1} = \delta(s_i, w_{i+1})$ for $i = 0 \dots n-1$, and
 3. $s_n \in F$

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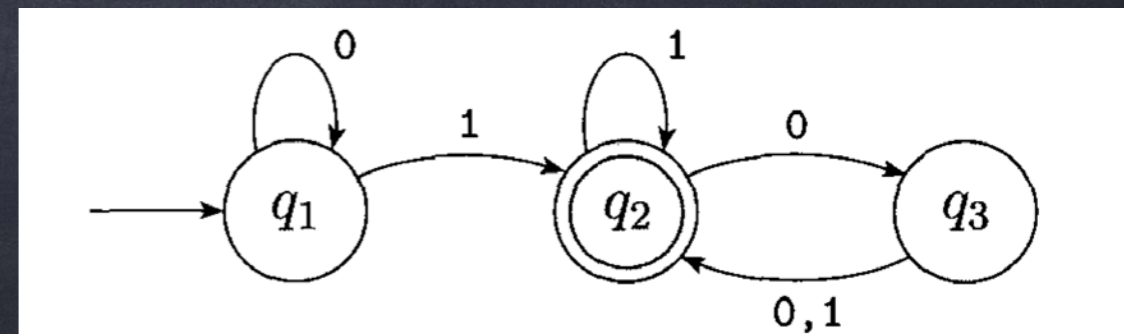
Regular Languages

• M1 accepts 10010101 since states s_0, s_1, \dots, s_8 exist s.t.

• 1. $s_0 = q_1$

• 2. $s_1 = q_2 = \delta(q_1, 1)$, $s_2 = q_3 = \delta(q_2, 0)$,
 $s_3 = q_2 = \delta(q_3, 0)$, $s_4 = q_2 = \delta(q_2, 1)$,
 $s_5 = q_3 = \delta(q_2, 0)$, $s_6 = q_2 = \delta(q_3, 1)$,
 $s_7 = q_3 = \delta(q_2, 0)$, $s_8 = q_2 = \delta(q_3, 1)$

• 3. $s_8 \in F$



Regular Languages

- Let M be a finite state automaton and let $w = w_1w_2\dots w_n$ ($n \geq 0$) be a string where each symbol w_i is from the alphabet Σ .
- M recognizes language A if

$$A = \{ w \mid M \text{ accepts } w \}$$

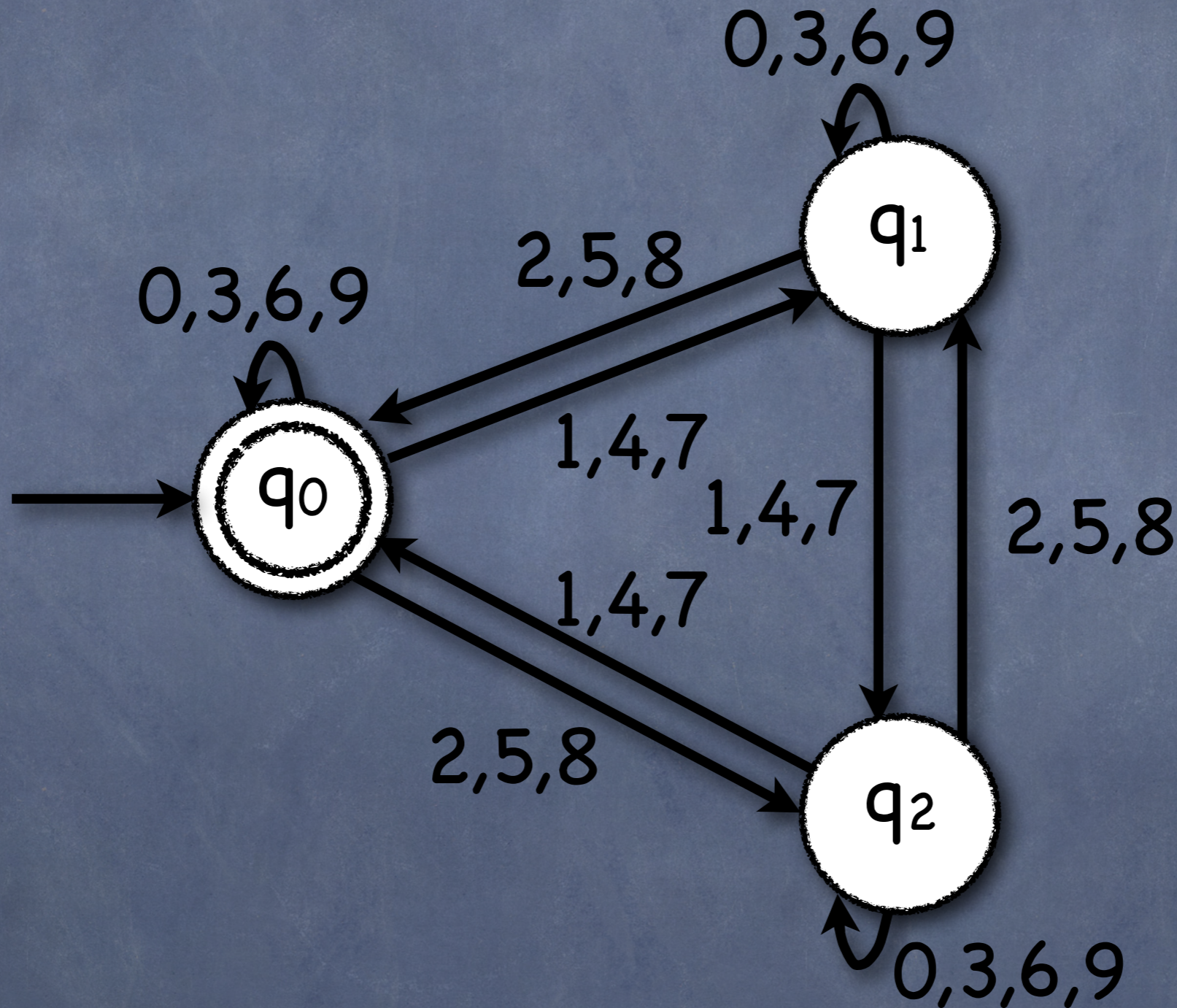
DEFINITION 1.16

A language is called a *regular language* if some finite automaton recognizes it.

$$\gcd(B,N) = 1$$

0 MOD 3 (base 10)

$M_{3,10}$



0 MOD 3 (base 10)

• Theorem 1.C :

Let $w \in \{0,1,\dots,9\}^*$ be of length $n \geq 0$.

1) M_1 stops in state $q_0 \iff w = 0 \pmod{3}$.

2) M_1 stops in state $q_1 \iff w = 1 \pmod{3}$.

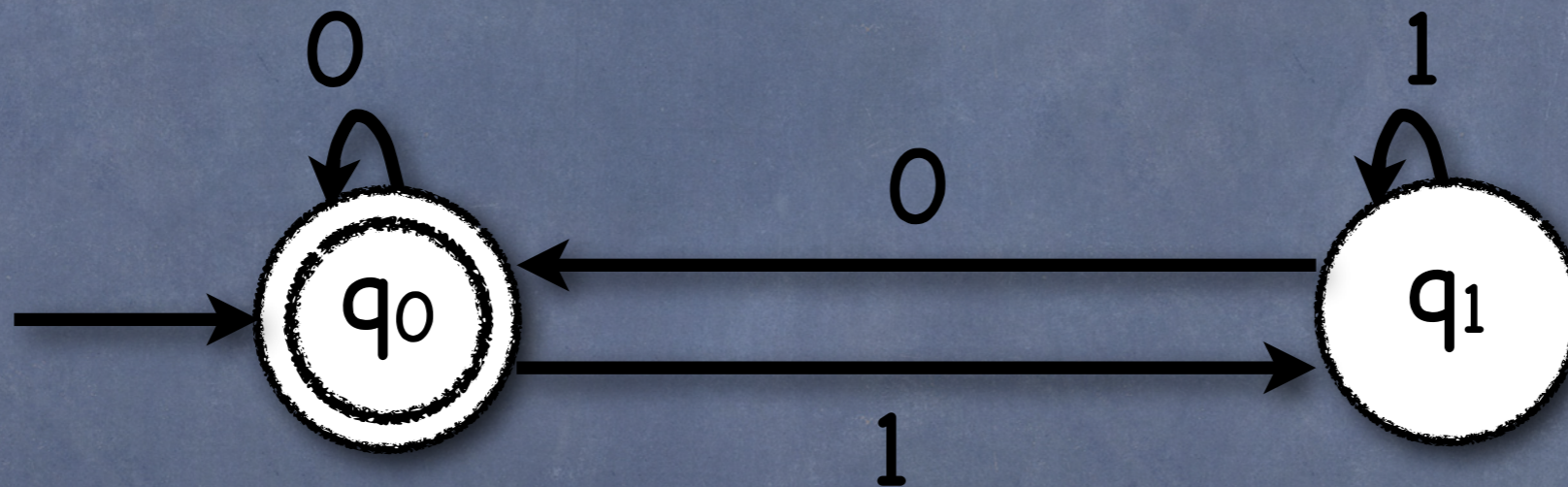
3) M_1 stops in state $q_2 \iff w = 2 \pmod{3}$.

Examples: automata for multiples of N base B

- automata for multiples of $N = 0 \pmod N$
- examples mod 2, mod 3, mod 7

0 MOD 2 (base 2)

$M_{2,2}$



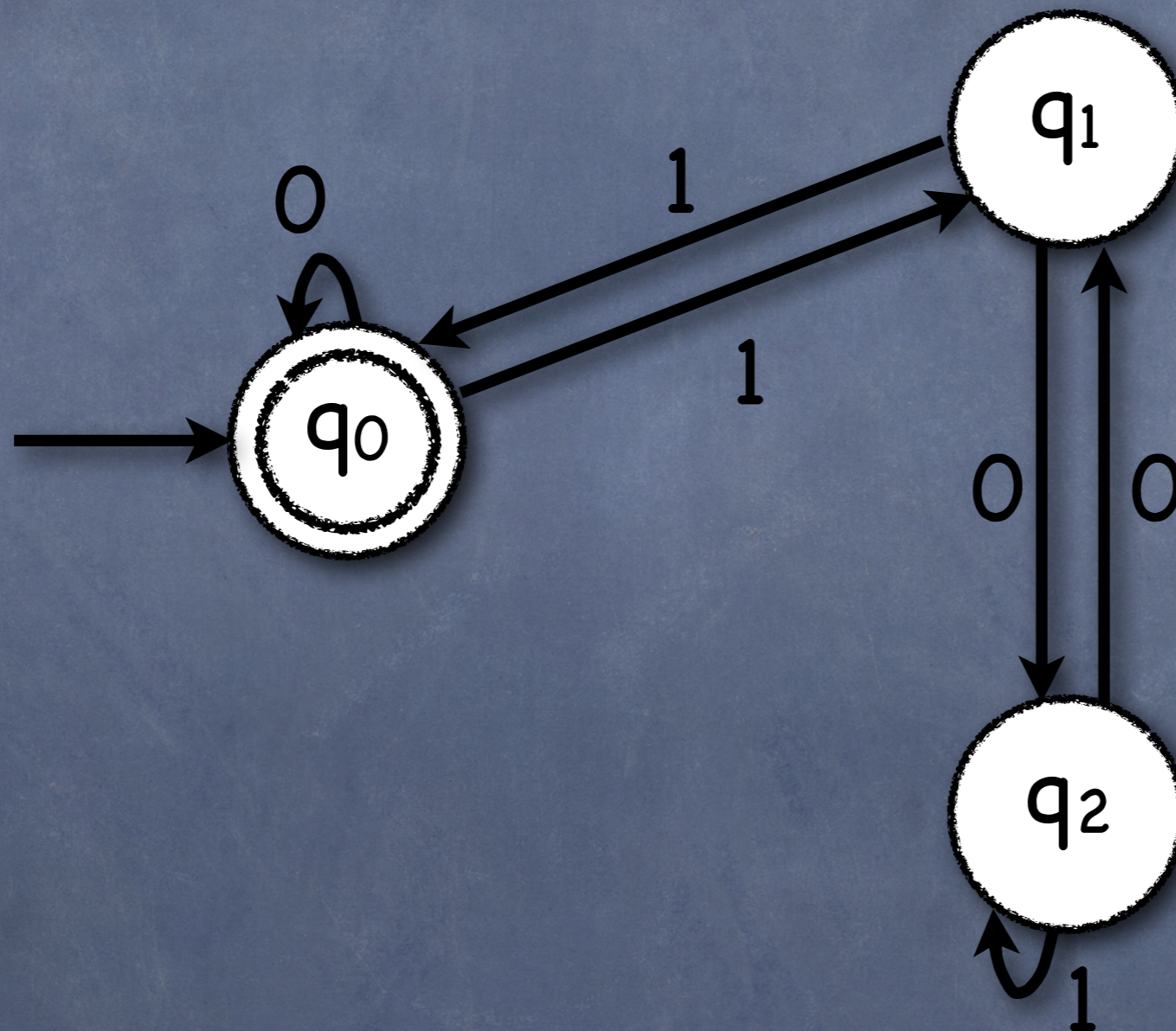
- Remember what you learned in school of CS:
N (in binary) is a multiple of 2 iff it ends by 0.

$M_{2,2}$ stops in state $q_r \iff w = r \pmod 2$

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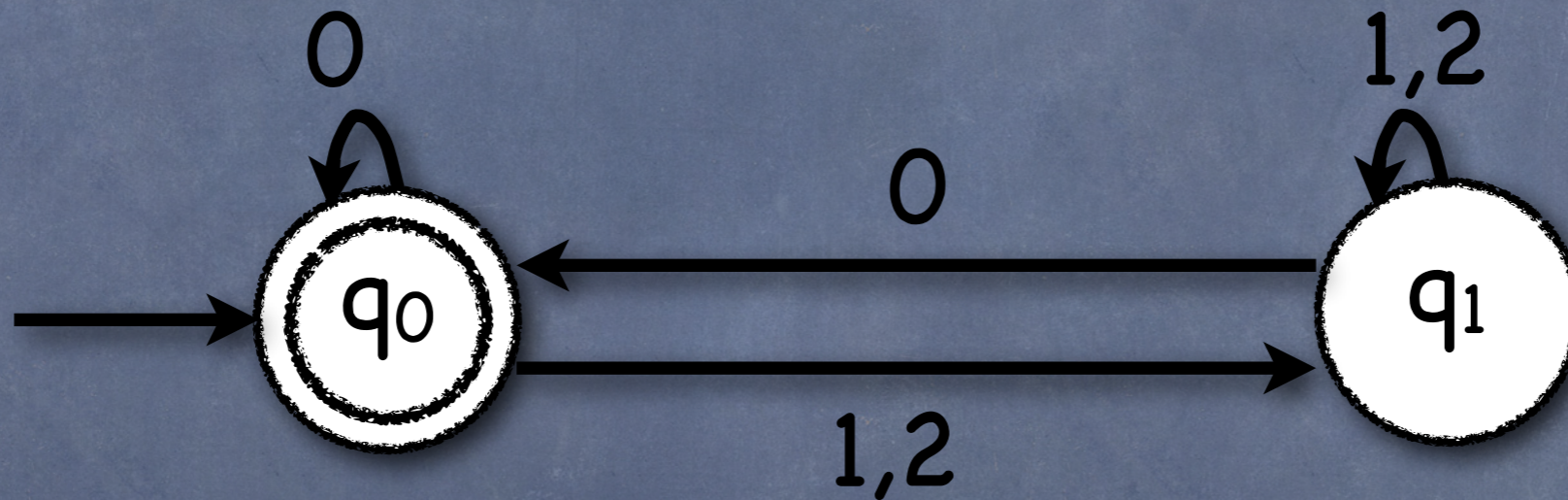
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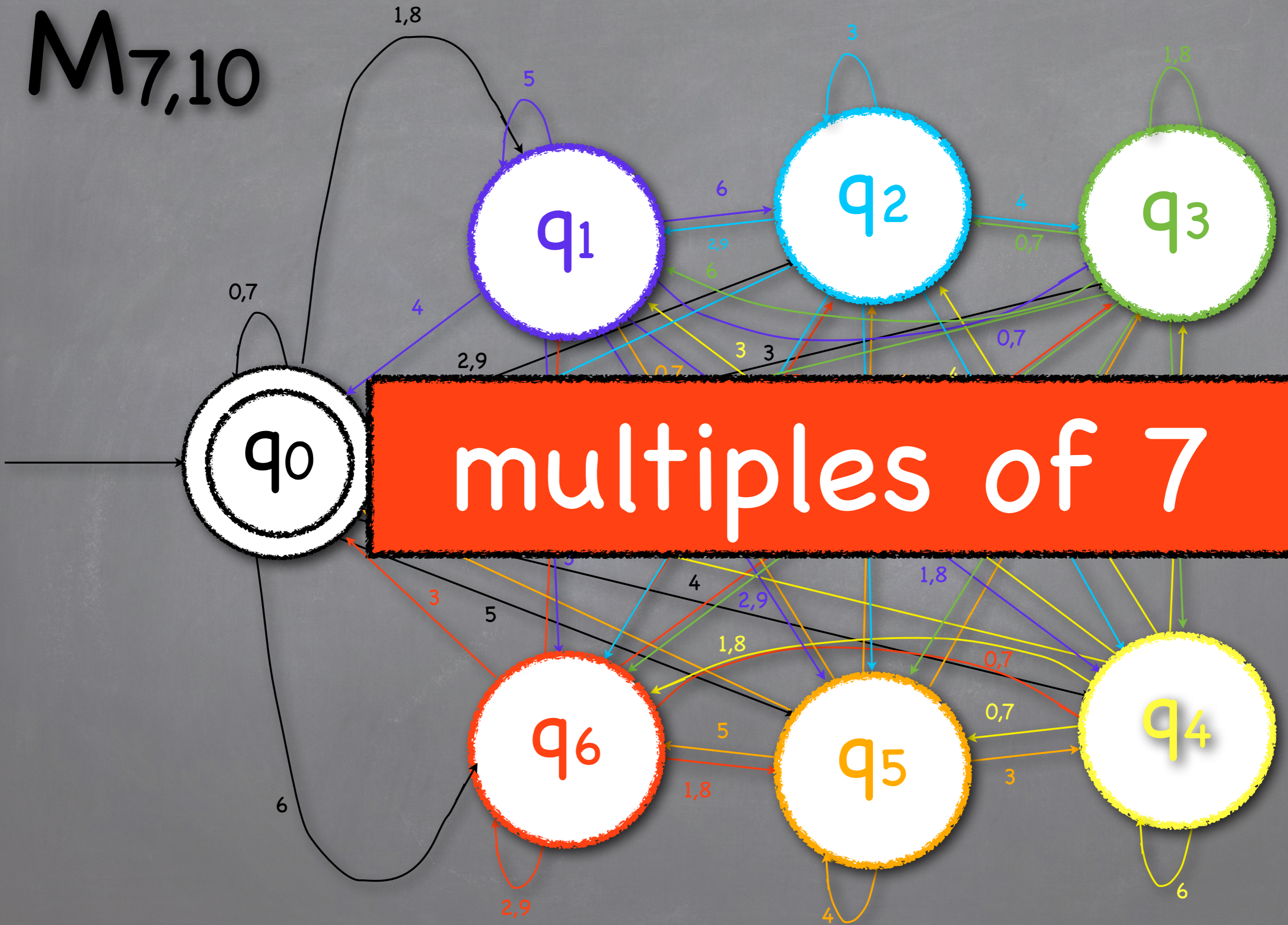
$M'_{3,3}$



- Remember what you learned in school of CS:
N (in ternary) is a multiple of 3 iff it ends by 0.

$M'_{3,3}$ stops in state $q_0 \iff w = 0 \pmod{3}$

M_{7,10}



Another example:
multiples of 7...

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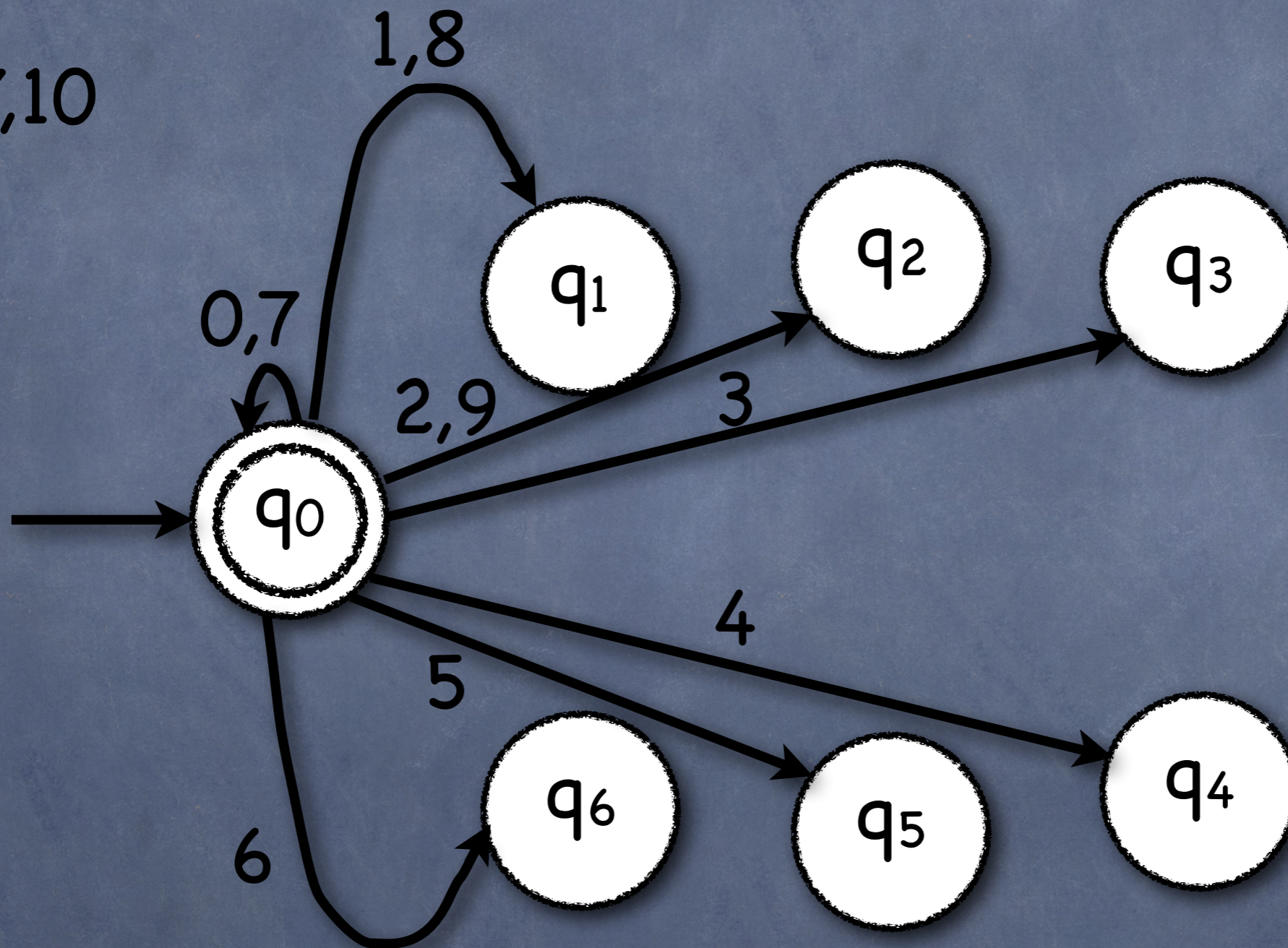
Another example: multiples of 7...

- Remember forever what you learn in COMP-330 today : N is a multiple of 7 if $N \in L(M_{7,10})$.
- Example: 54705 is a multiple of 7 because
- $5 = (10 \times 0 + 5) = 5 = 5 \pmod{7}$,
- $54 = (10 \times 5 + 4) = 54 = 5 \pmod{7}$,
- $547 = (10 \times 5 + 7) = 57 = 1 \pmod{7}$,
- $5470 = (10 \times 1 + 0) = 10 = 3 \pmod{7}$ and
- $54705 = (10 \times 3 + 5) = 35 = 0 \pmod{7}$.

$$\gcd(B,N) = 1$$

$0 \text{ MOD } 7$ (base 10)

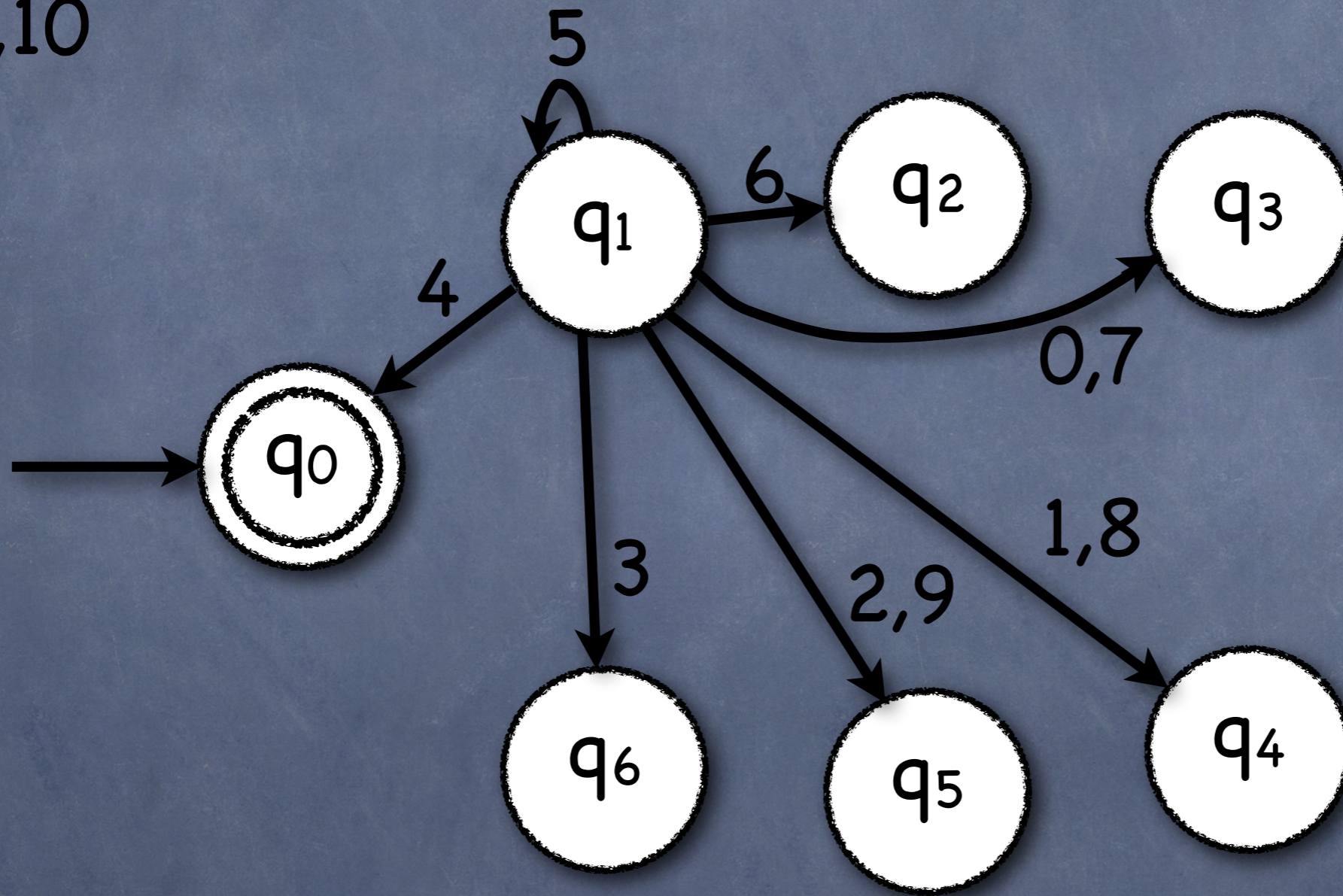
$M_{7,10}^0$



$M_{7,10}$ stops in state $q_r \iff w = r \text{ mod } 7$

1 MOD 7 (base 10)

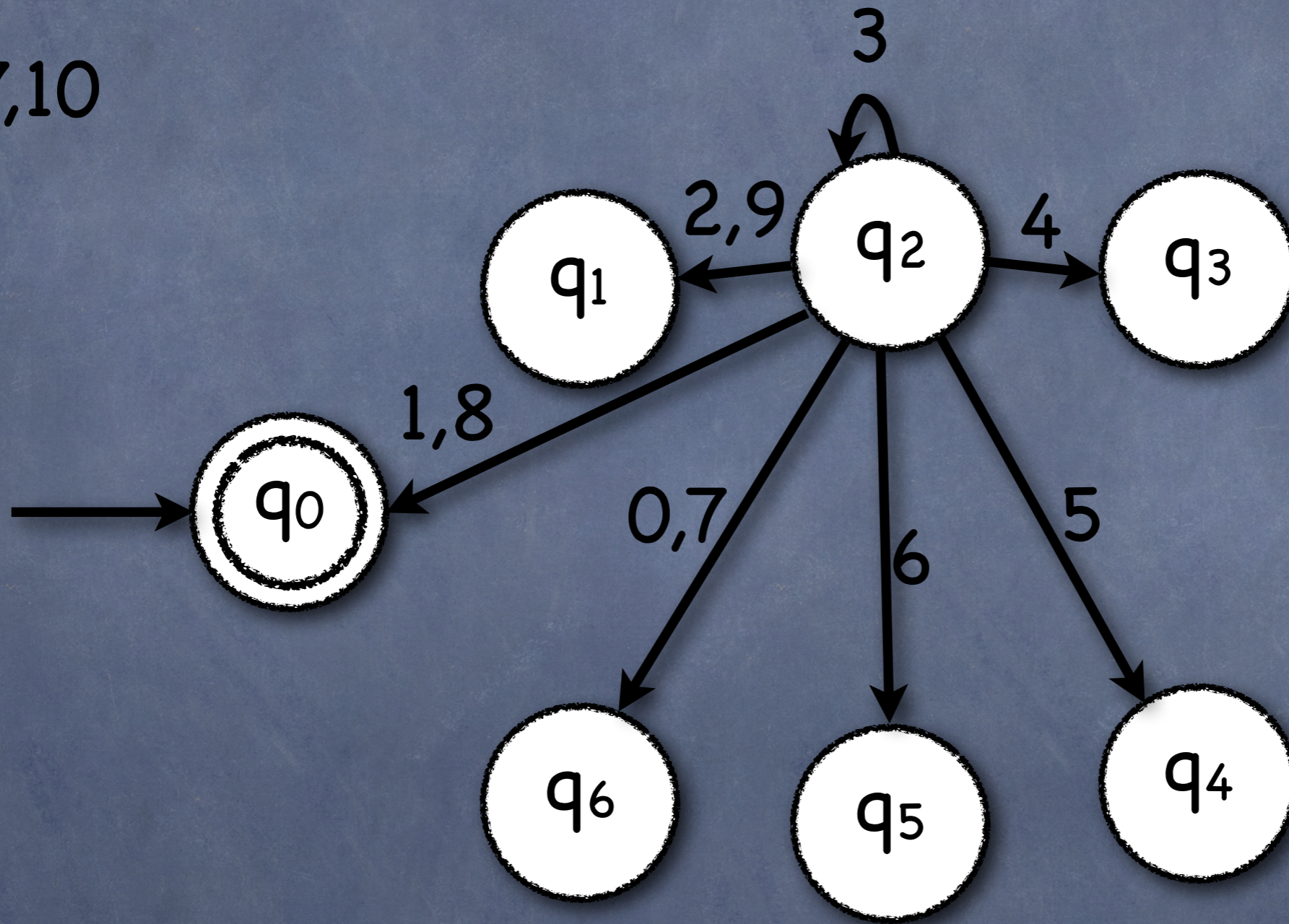
$M_{7,10}^1$



$M_{7,10}$ stops in state $q_r \iff w = r \pmod{7}$

2 MOD 7 (base 10)

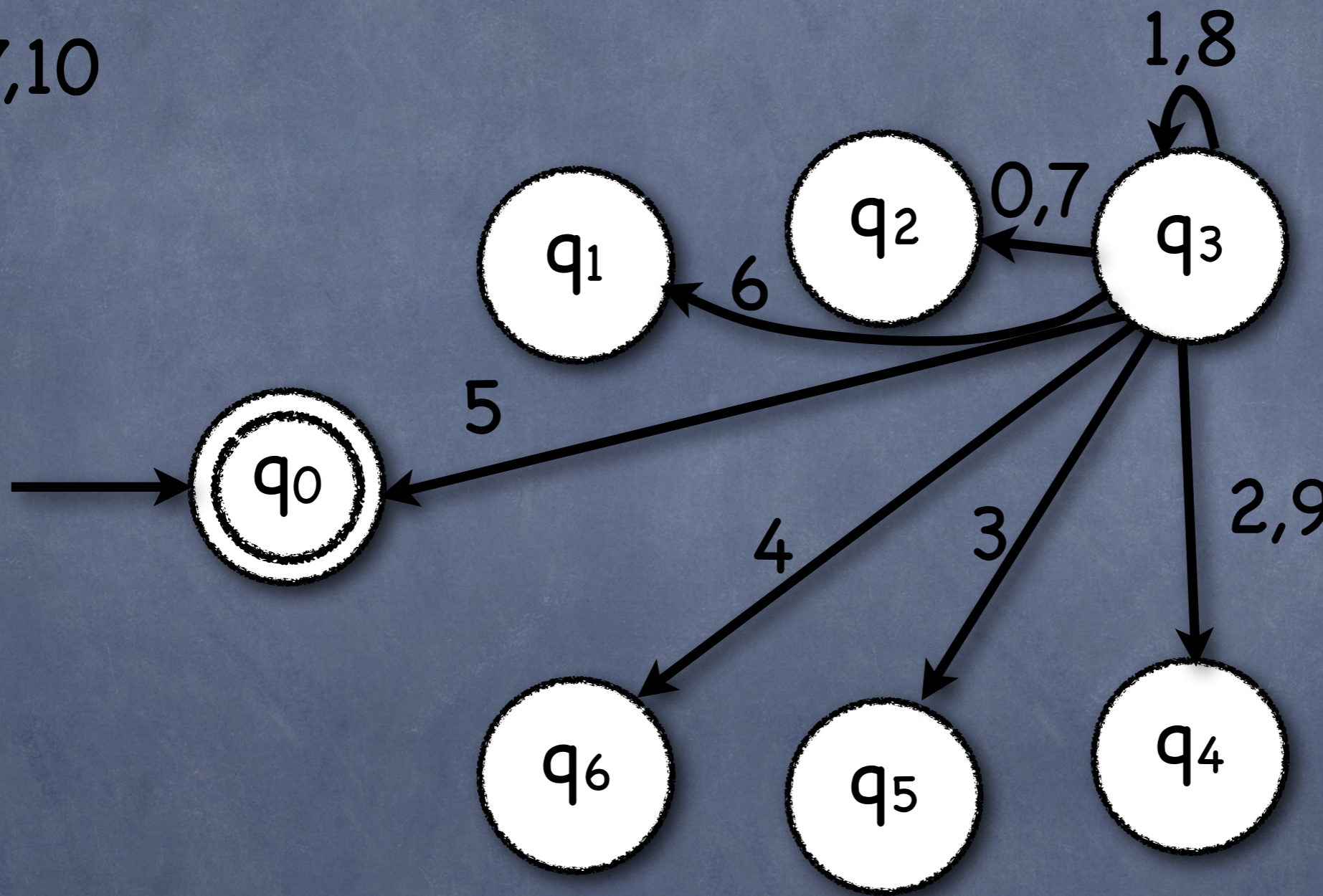
$M_{7,10}^2$



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3 MOD 7 (base 10)

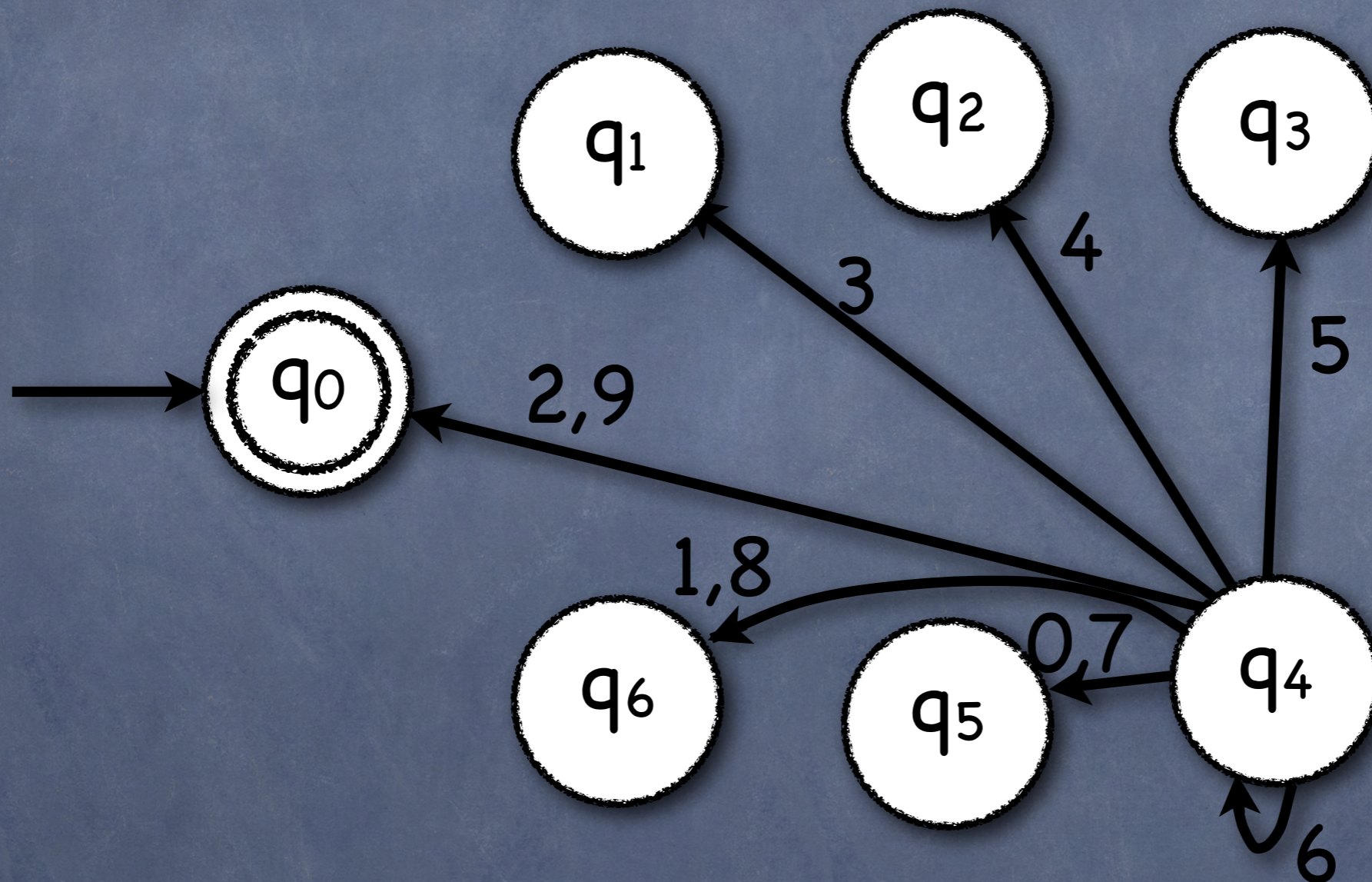
$M_{7,10}^3$



$M_{7,10}$ stops in state $q_r \iff w = r \pmod{7}$

4 MOD 7 (base 10)

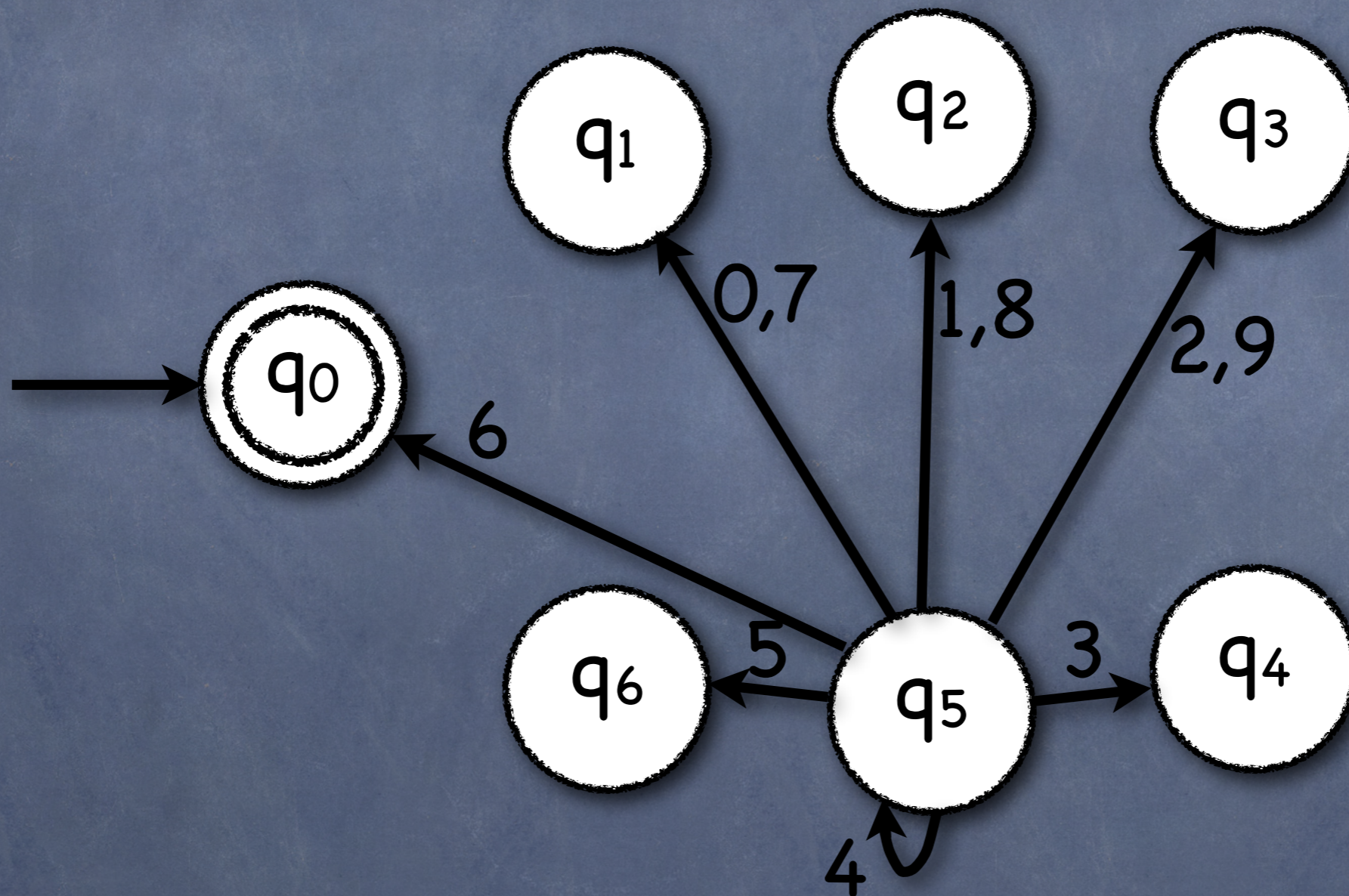
$M_{7,10}^4$



$M_{7,10}$ stops in state $q_r \iff w = r \pmod{7}$

5 MOD 7 (base 10)

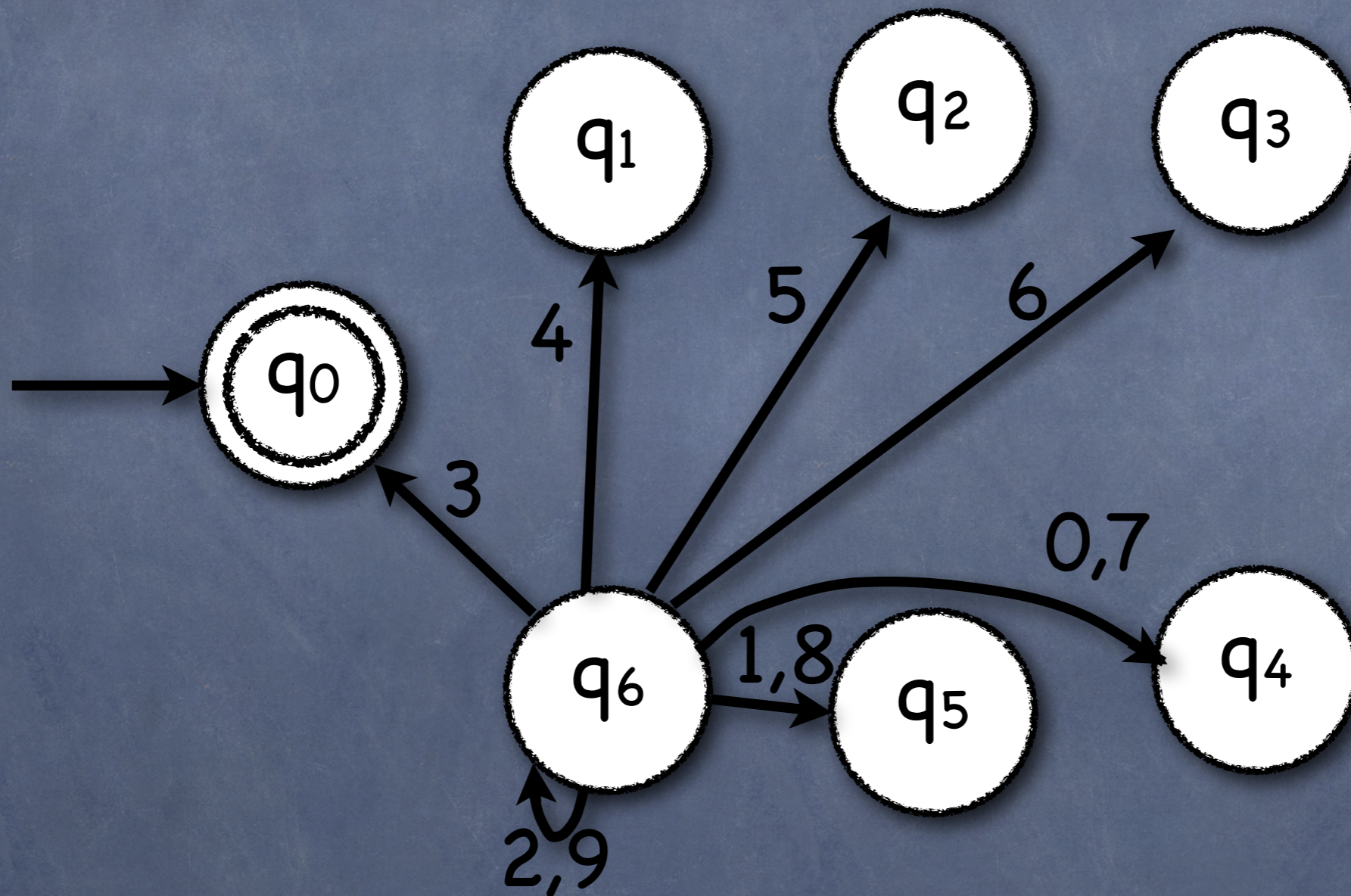
$M_{7,10}^5$



$M_{7,10}$ stops in state $q_r \iff w = r \pmod{7}$

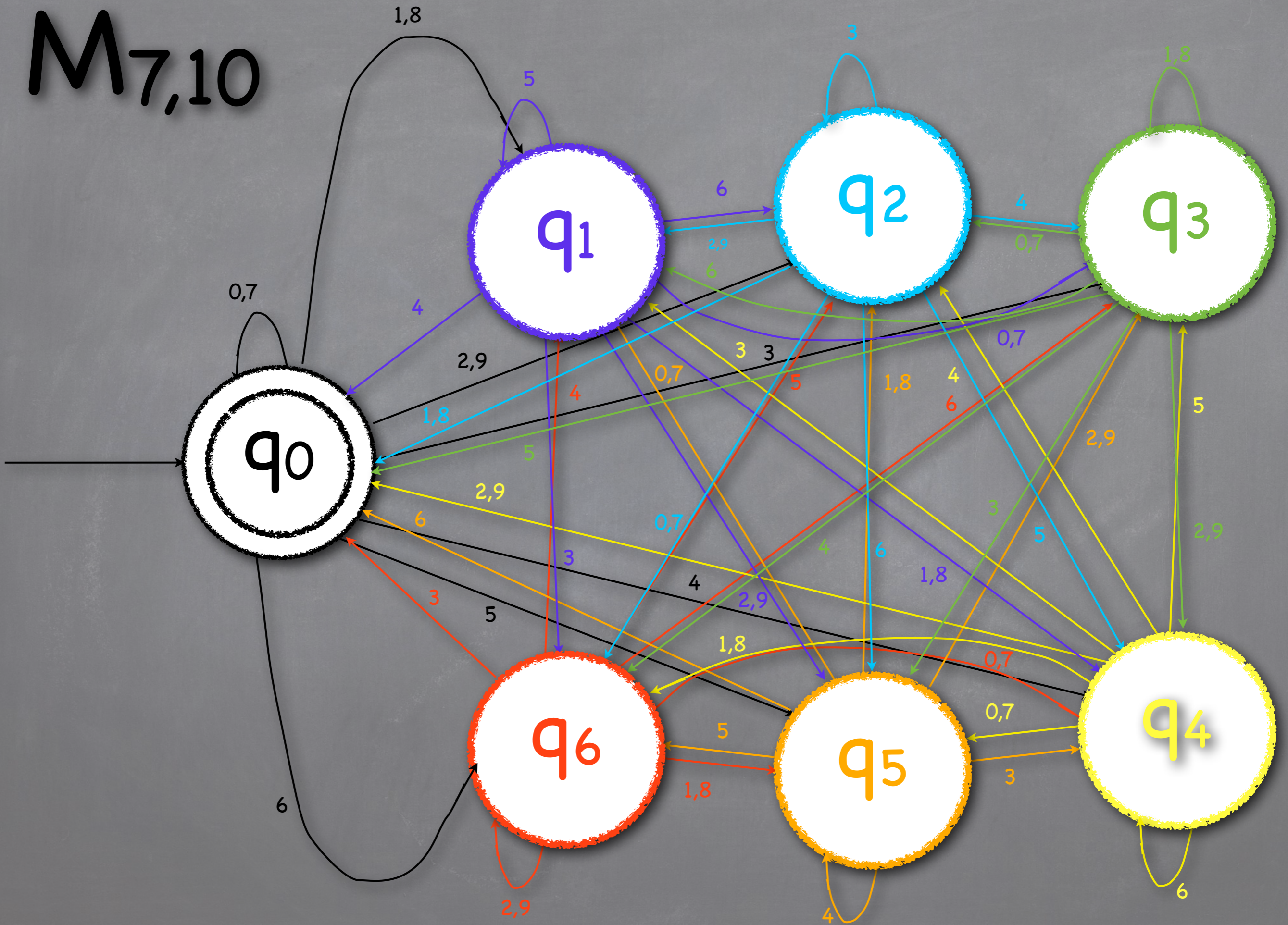
6 MOD 7 (base 10)

$M_{7,10}^6$



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M_{7,10}



Regular Operations

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DEFINITION 1.23

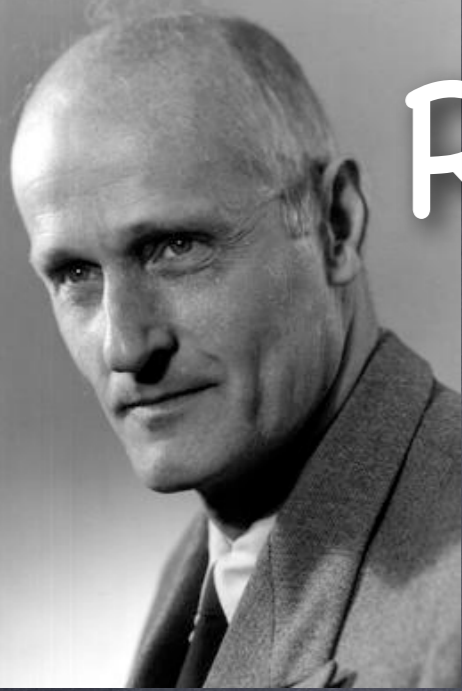
Let A and B be languages. We define the regular operations *union*, *concatenation*, and *star* as follows.

- **Union:** $A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$.
- **Concatenation:** $A \circ B = \{xy \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\}$.
- **Star:** $A^* = \{x_1x_2 \dots x_k \mid k \geq 0 \text{ and each } x_i \in A\}$.



Stephen Kleene

Regular Operations : Kleene's theorem



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THEOREM 1.25

The class of regular languages is closed under the union operation.

In other words, if A_1 and A_2 are regular languages, so is $A_1 \cup A_2$.

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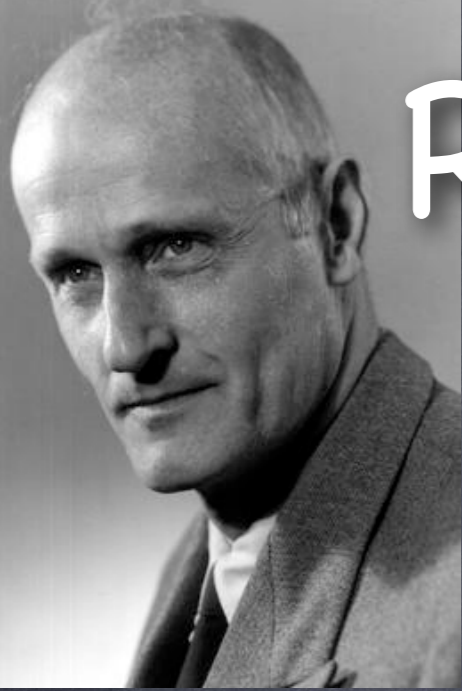
Kleene's theorem

- Let $M_A = (Q_A, \Sigma, \delta_A, q_{0A}, F_A)$ be a DFA accepting L_A and $M_B = (Q_B, \Sigma, \delta_B, q_{0B}, F_B)$ be a DFA accepting L_B .
- Consider $M_U = (Q_A \times Q_B, \Sigma, \delta_U, (q_{0A}, q_{0B}), F_U)$ where
$$\delta_U((q, q'), s) = (\delta_A(q, s), \delta_B(q', s))$$
 for all q, q', s
and
$$F_U = \{ (q, q') \mid q \in F_A \text{ or } q' \in F_B \}.$$
- $L_U = L_A \cup L_B$.

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$$F_U = \{ (q, q') \mid q \in F_A \text{ or } q' \in F_B \}.$$
- $L_U = L_A \cup L_B$.
- We can write it as $F_U = (F_A \times Q_B) \cup (Q_A \times F_B)$.
(Not the same as $F_A \times F_B$.)
- The resulting language would be the intersection and not the union. This proves that the class of regular languages is closed under intersection.



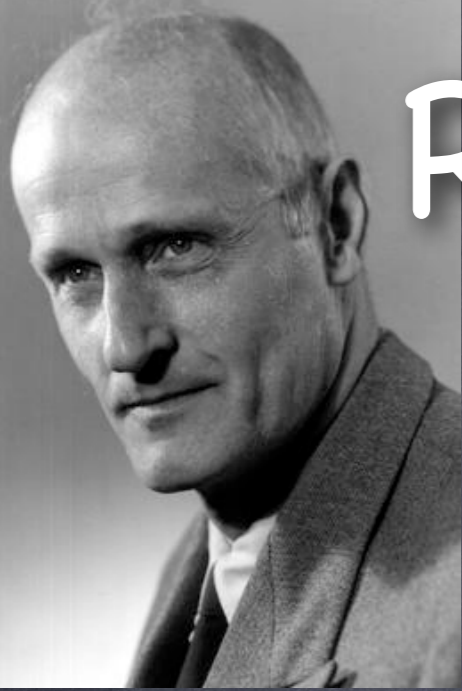
Regular Operations : Kleene's theorem (DFA)

THEOREM 1.26

The class of regular languages is closed under the concatenation operation.

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(NFA)



Regular Operations : Kleene's theorem (DFA)

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THEOREM 1.47

The class of regular languages is closed under the concatenation operation.



Regular Operations : Kleene's theorem (NFA)



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THEOREM 1.45

The class of regular languages is closed under the union operation.



Regular Operations : Kleene's theorem (NFA)

THEOREM 1.47

The class of regular languages is closed under the concatenation operation.

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Regular Operations : Kleene's theorem (NFA)

THEOREM 1.49

The class of regular languages is closed under the star operation.

THEOREM 1.47

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Non-Deterministic Finite Automata

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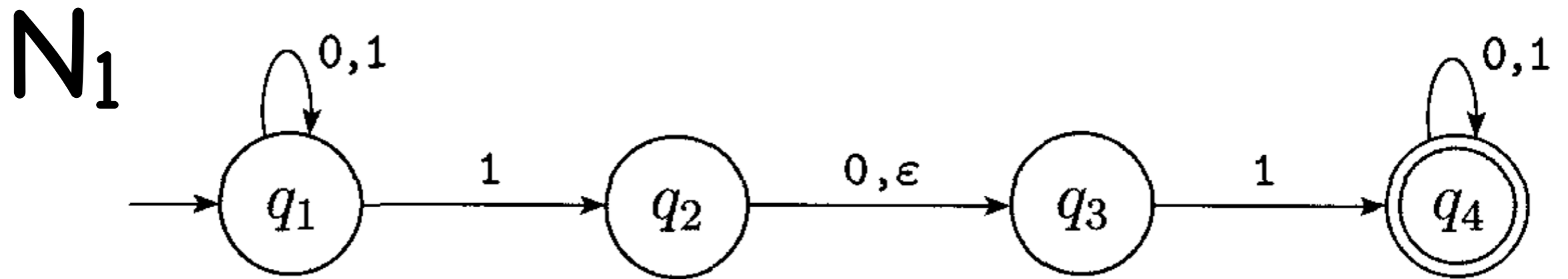


FIGURE 1.27

The nondeterministic finite automaton N_1

Definition of NFA

DEFINITION 1.37

A *nondeterministic finite automaton* is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$, where

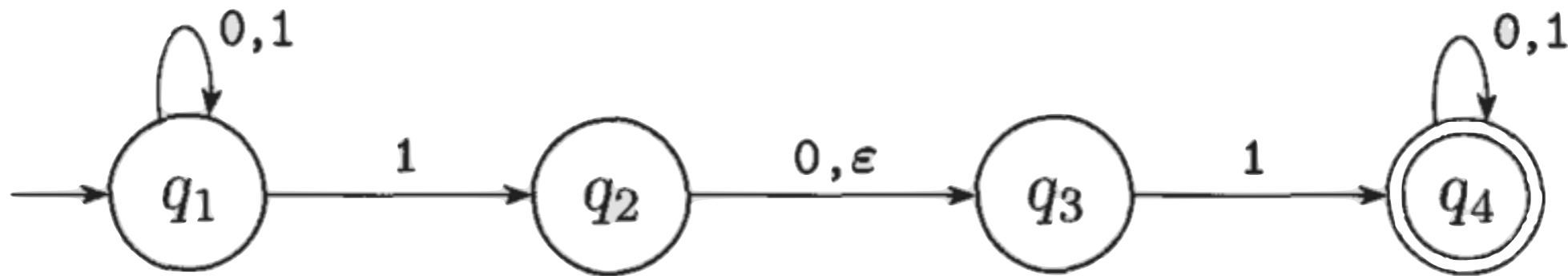
1. Q is a finite set of states,
2. Σ is a finite alphabet,
3. $\delta: Q \times \Sigma_\epsilon \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(Q)$ is the transition function,
4. $q_0 \in Q$ is the start state, and
5. $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of accept states.

$$\Sigma_\epsilon = \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(Q) = \{S : S \subseteq Q\}$$

EXAMPLE 1.38

Recall the NFA N_1 :



The formal description of N_1 is $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_1, F)$, where

1. $Q = \{q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4\}$,
2. $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$,
3. δ is given as

	0	1	ϵ
q_1	$\{q_1\}$	$\{q_1, q_2\}$	\emptyset
q_2	$\{q_3\}$	\emptyset	$\{q_3\}$,
q_3	\emptyset	$\{q_4\}$	\emptyset
q_4	$\{q_4\}$	$\{q_4\}$	\emptyset

4. q_1 is the start state, and
5. $F = \{q_4\}$.

Definition of NFA

- Let $N = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ be a nondeterministic finite state automaton and let $w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$ ($n \geq 0$) be a string where each symbol $w_i \in \Sigma$.
- N accepts w if $\exists m \geq n, \exists s_0, s_1, \dots, s_m$ and $\exists \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \dots \gamma_m = w$, with each $\gamma_i \in \Sigma_\epsilon$ s.t.
 1. $s_0 = q_0$
 2. $s_{i+1} \in \delta(s_i, \gamma_{i+1})$ for $i = 0 \dots m-1$, and
 3. $s_m \in F$

NFA-*DF*A equivalence

Regular Languages

THEOREM 1.39

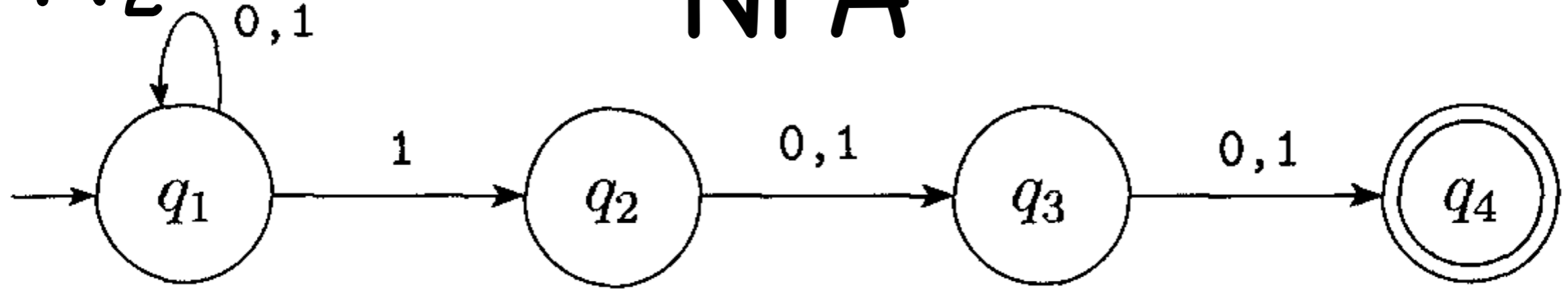
Every nondeterministic finite automaton has an equivalent deterministic finite automaton.

COROLLARY 1.40

A language is regular if and only if some nondeterministic finite automaton recognizes it.

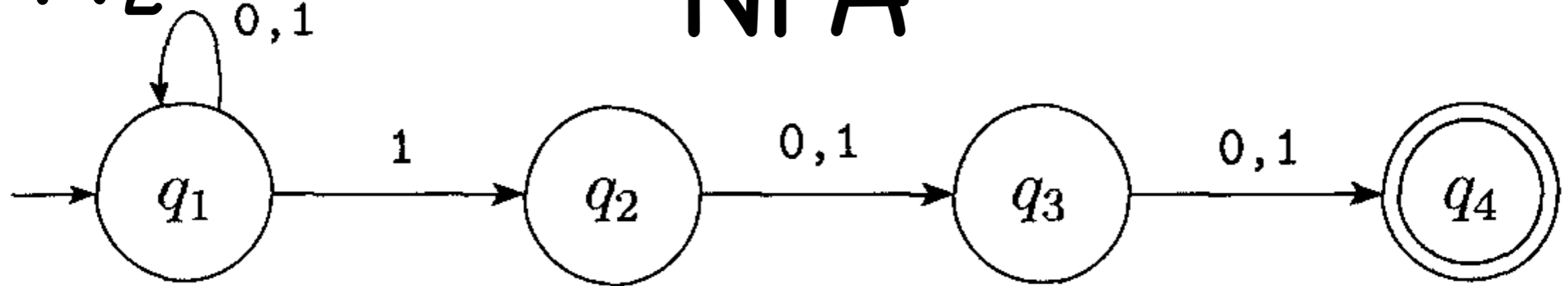
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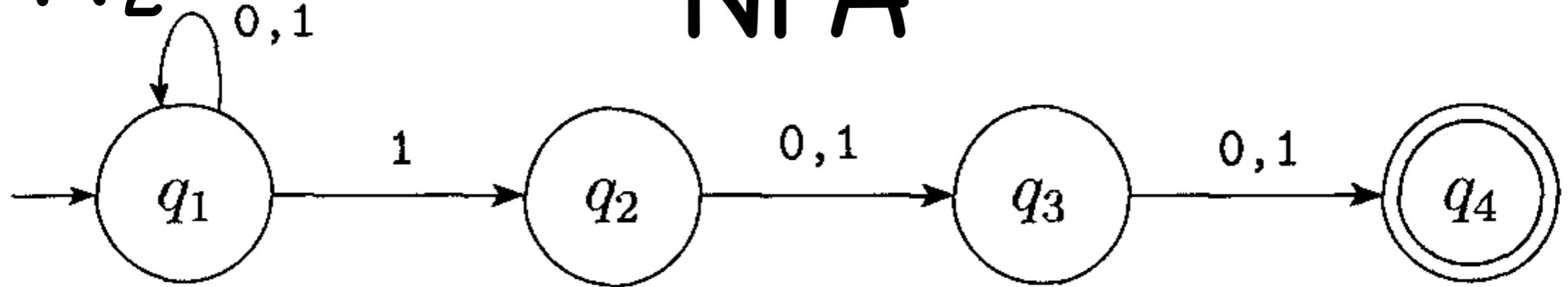


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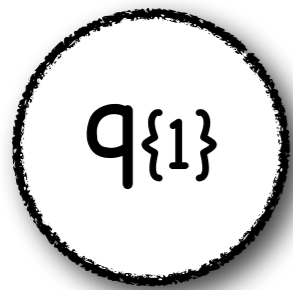


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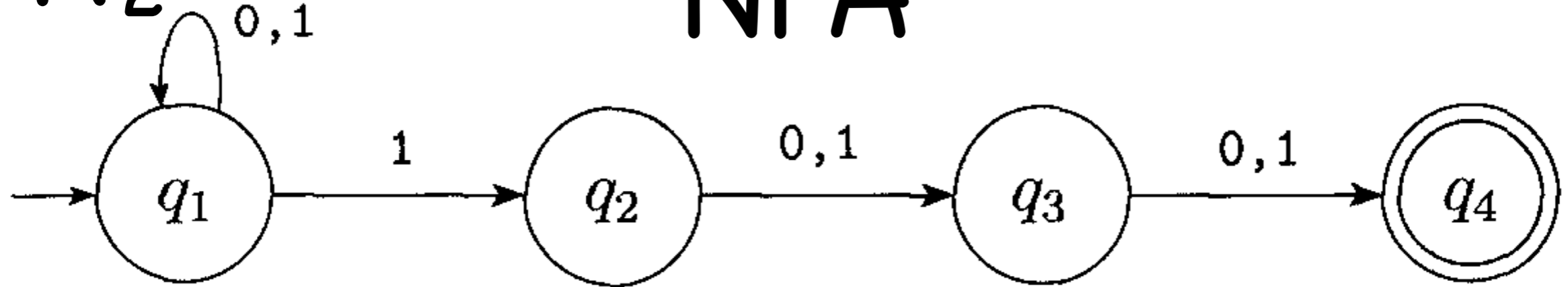


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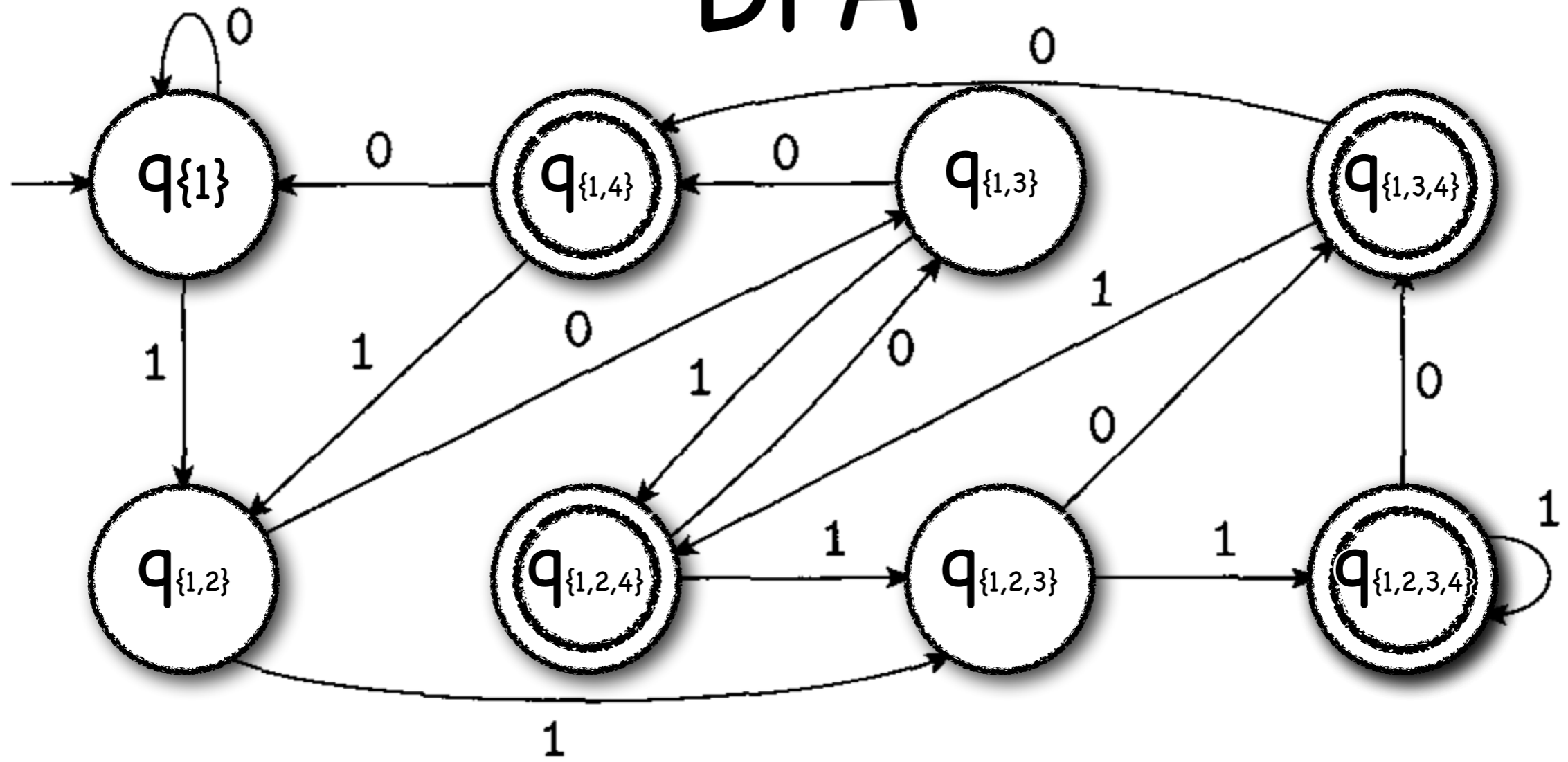


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NFA-DFA equivalence

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- Let $N = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ be an NFA (without empty transitions) accepting language A . We show a DFA $M = (Q', \Sigma, \delta', q'_0, F')$ accepting A .
- $Q' = \mathcal{P}(Q) = \{ R \mid R \subseteq Q \}$
- $\delta'(R, a) = \{ q \in Q \mid \exists r \in R, q \in \delta(r, a) \}$
- $q'_0 = \{q_0\}$
- $F' = \{ R \in Q' \mid R \cap F \neq \emptyset \}$

NFA-DFA equivalence

(with empty transitions)

$E(R) = \{q \mid q \text{ can be reached from } R \text{ by traveling along 0 or more } \varepsilon \text{ arrows}\}.$

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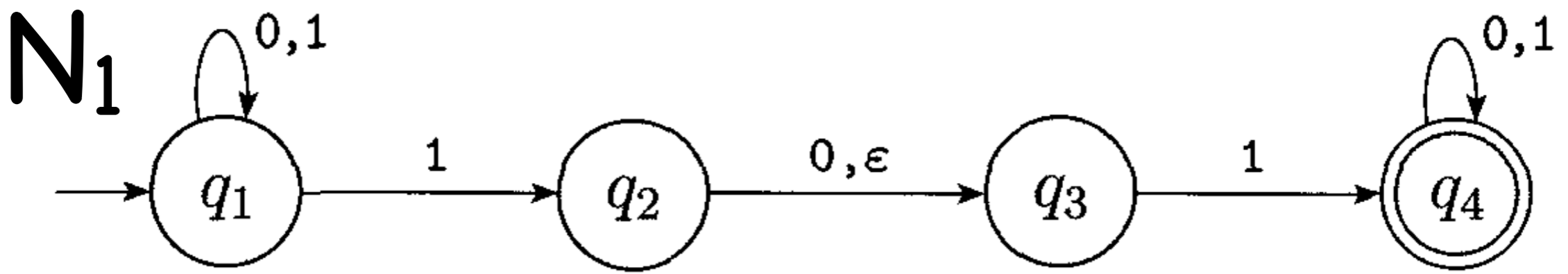
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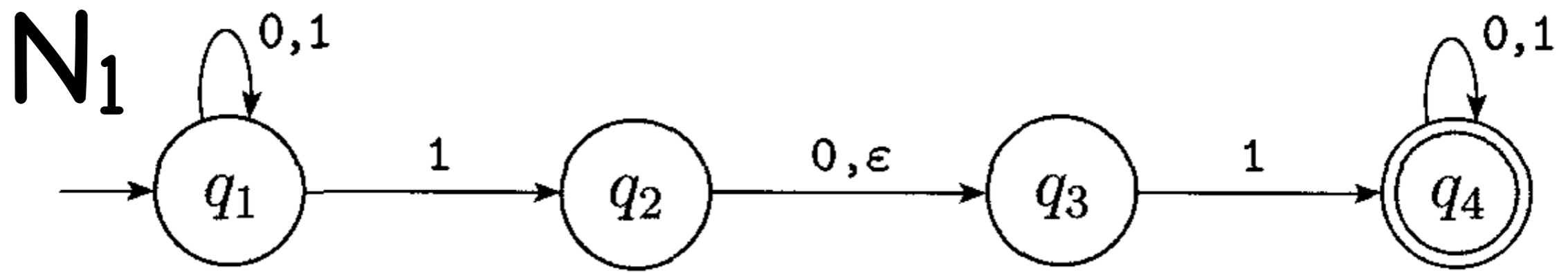
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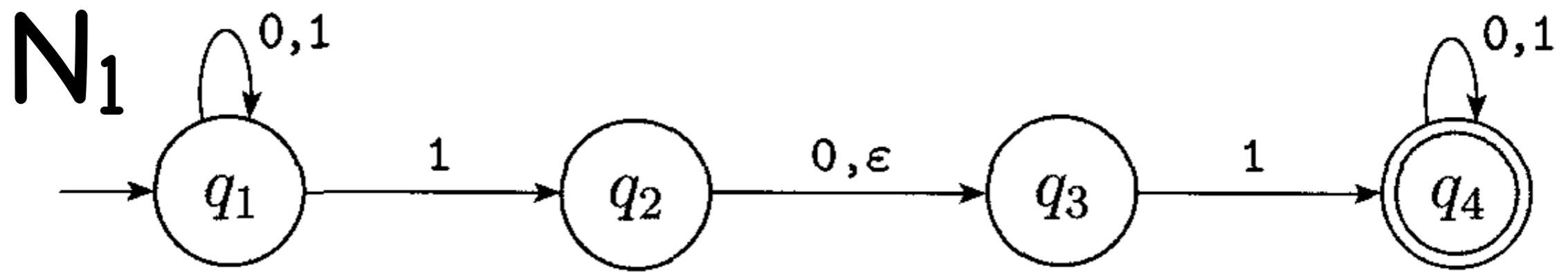
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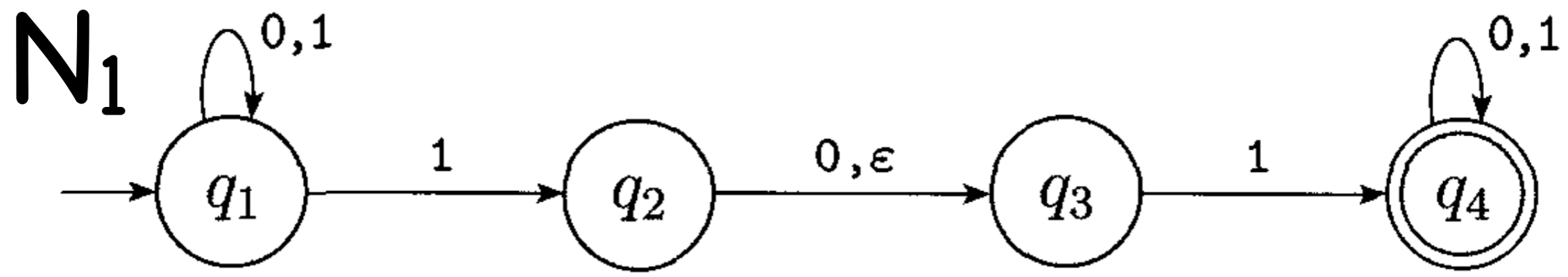
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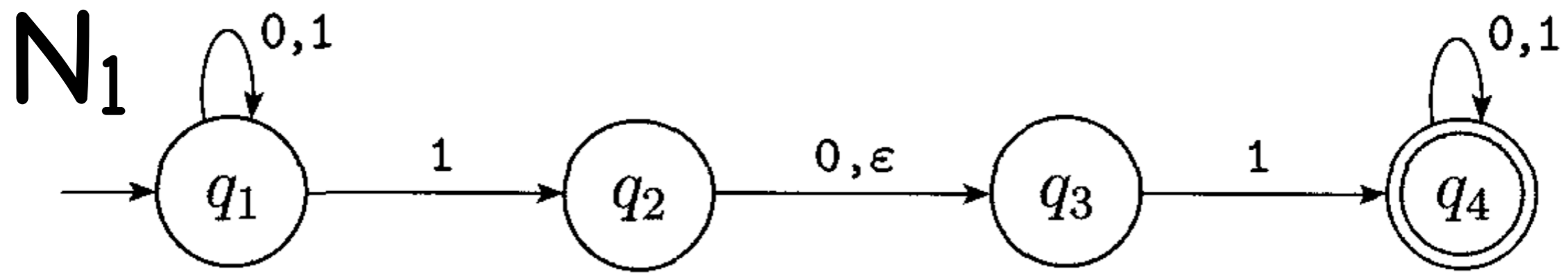
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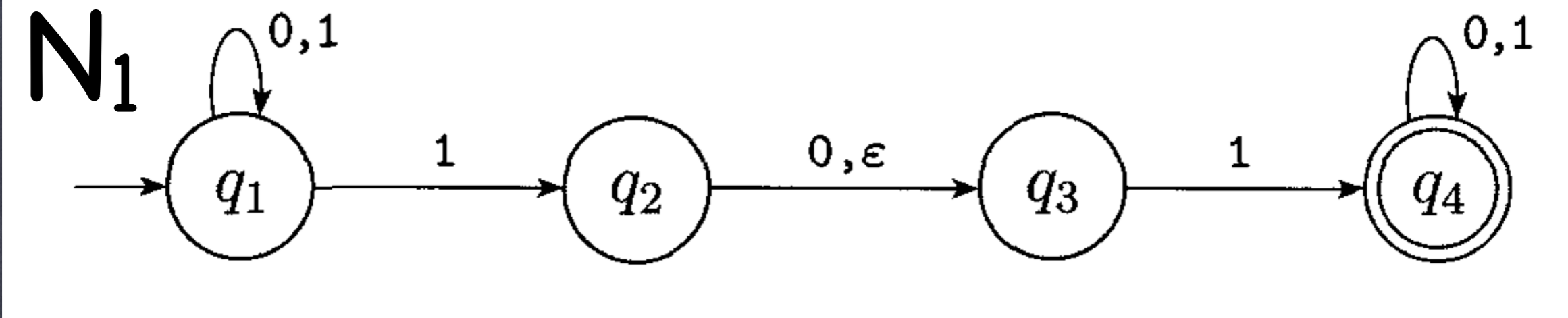


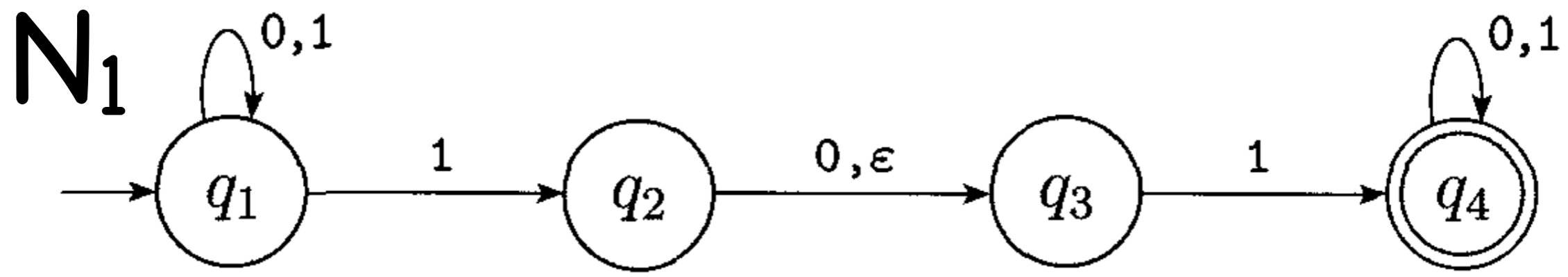


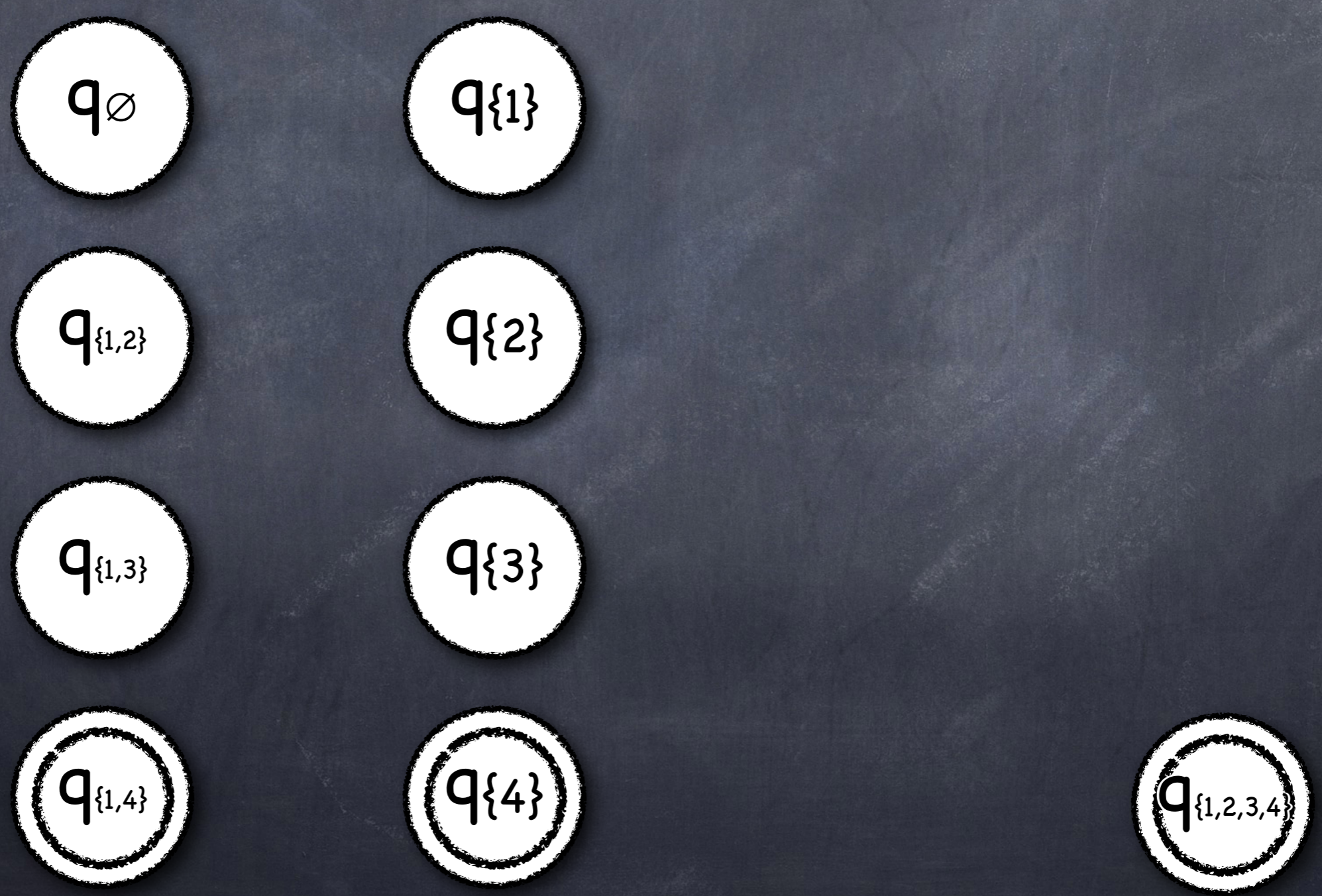
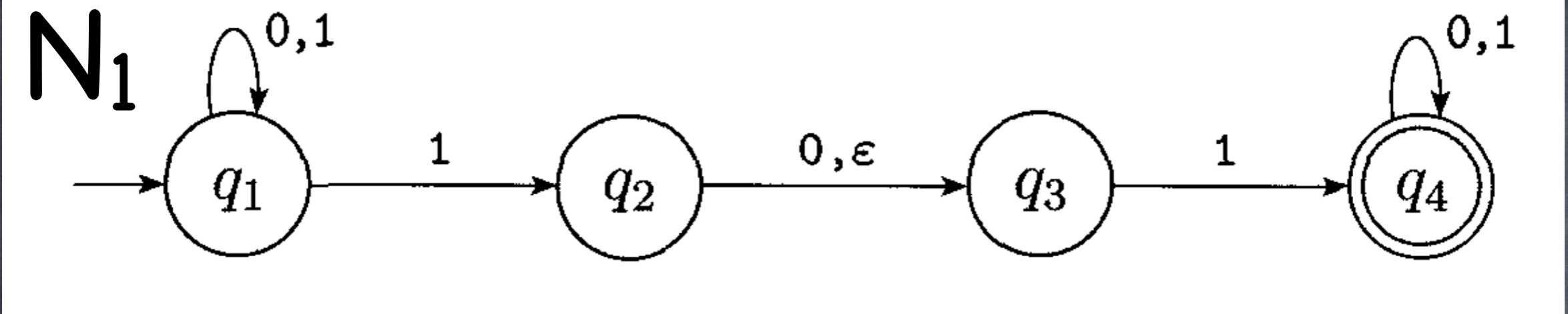


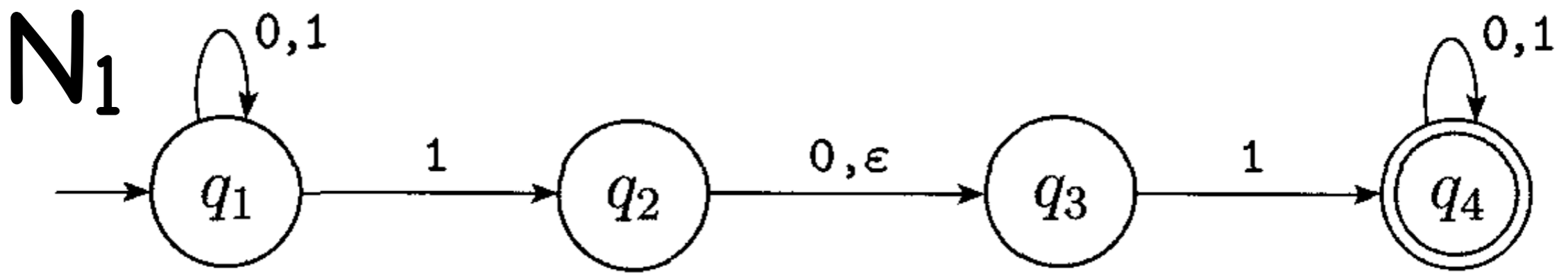


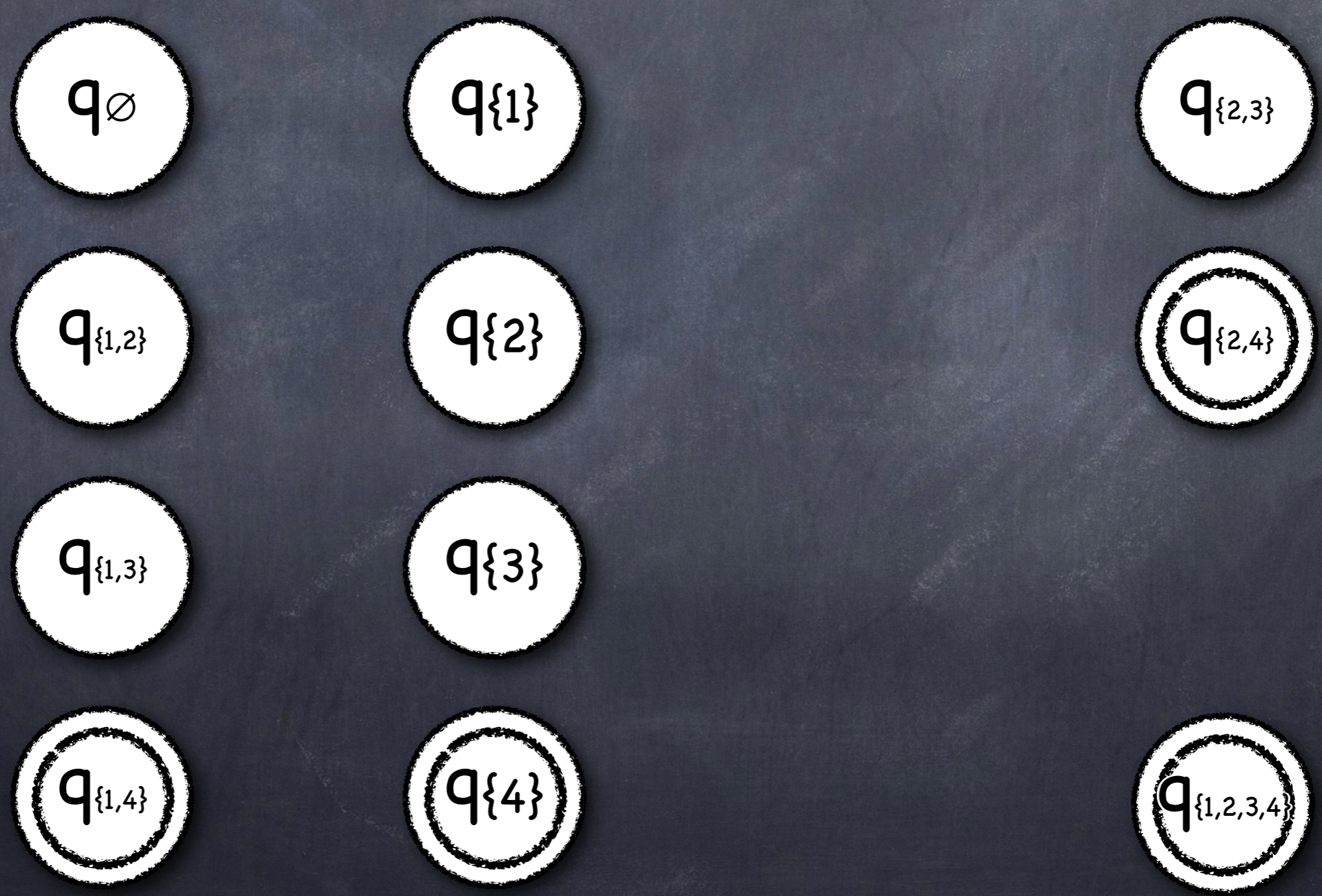
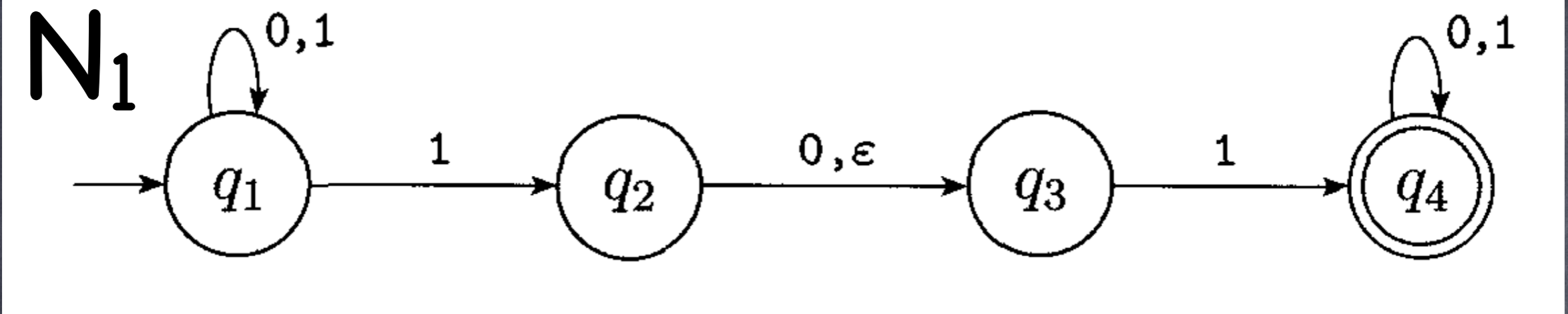


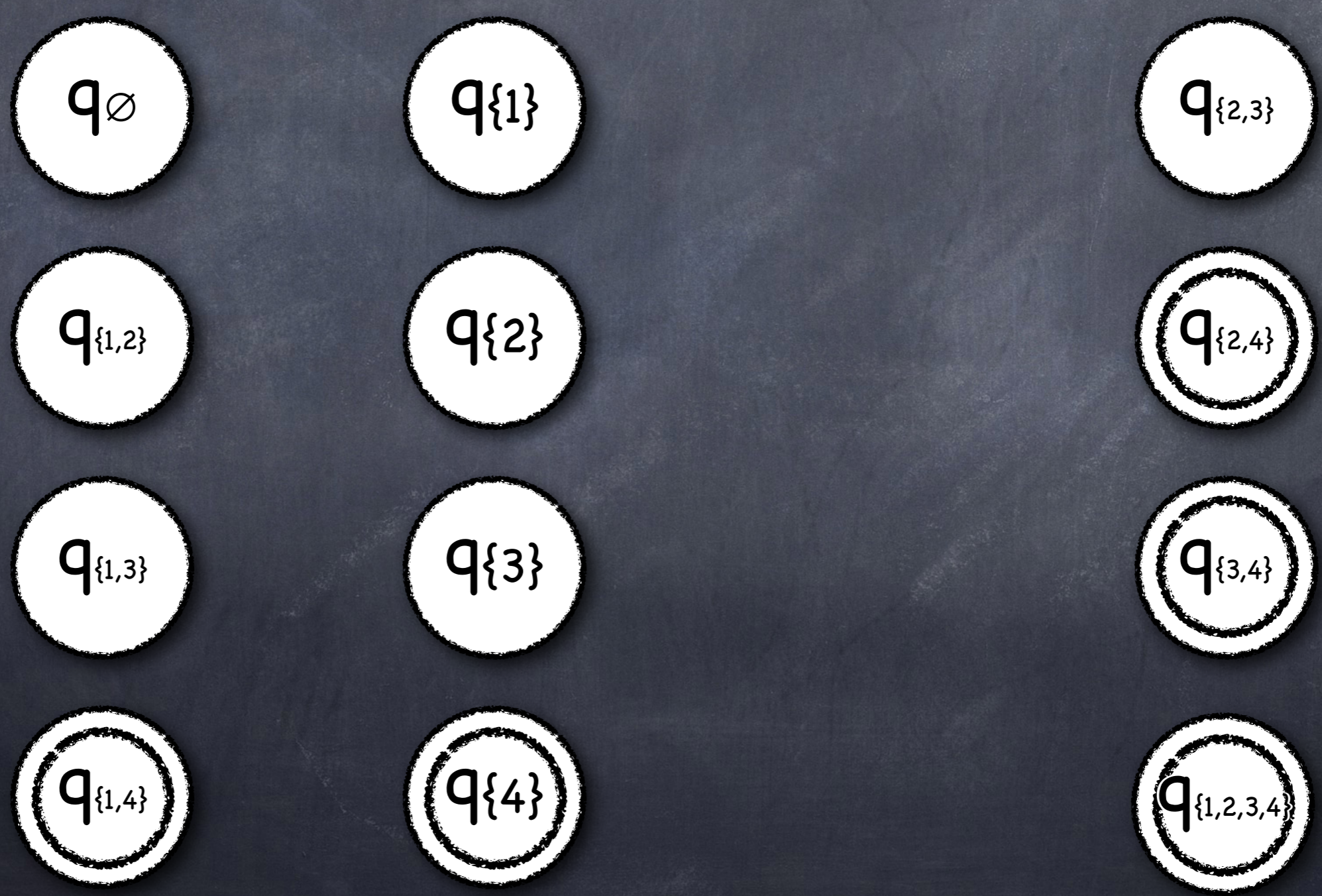
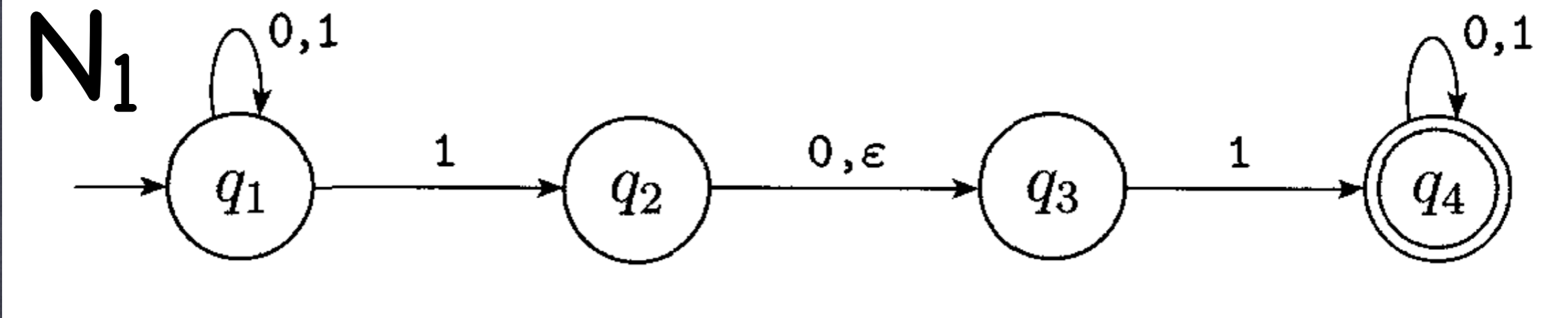


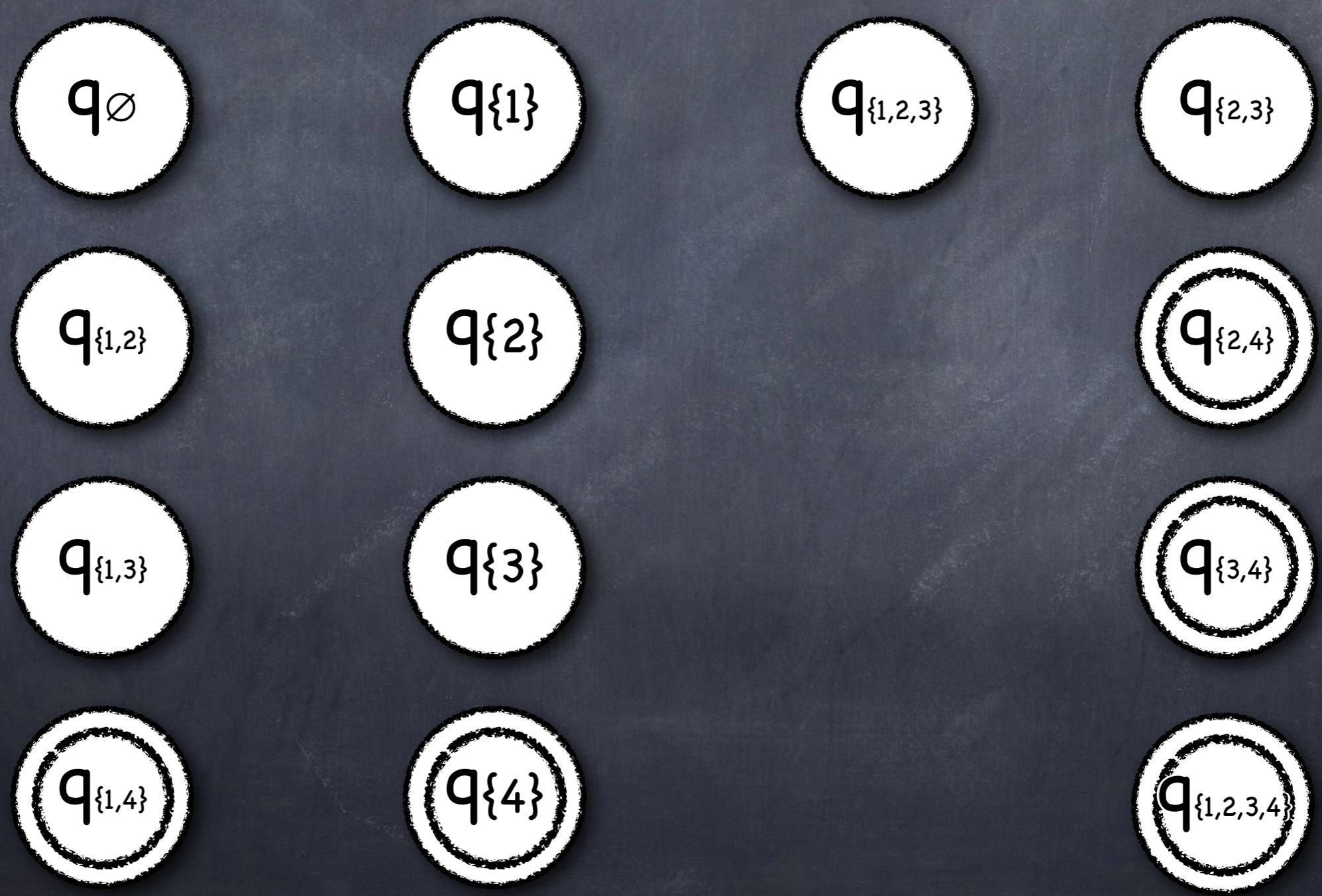
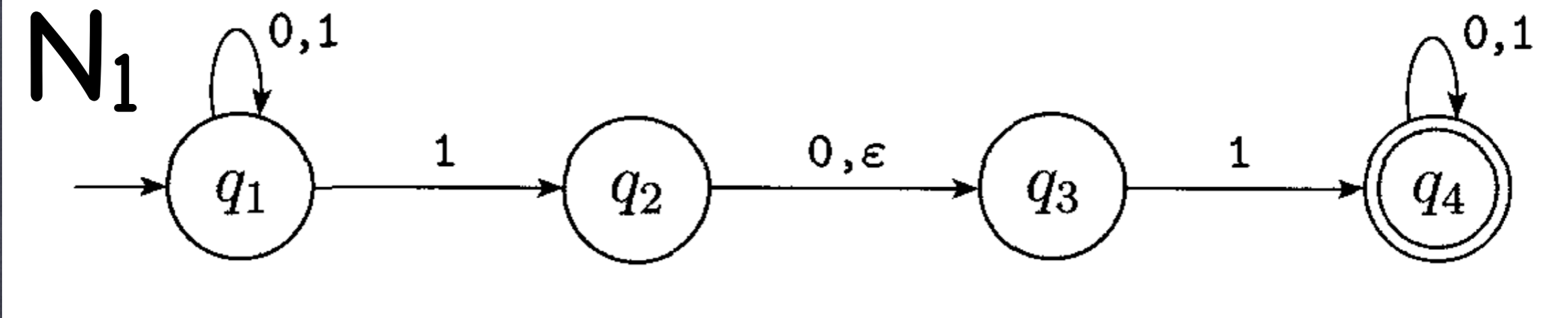


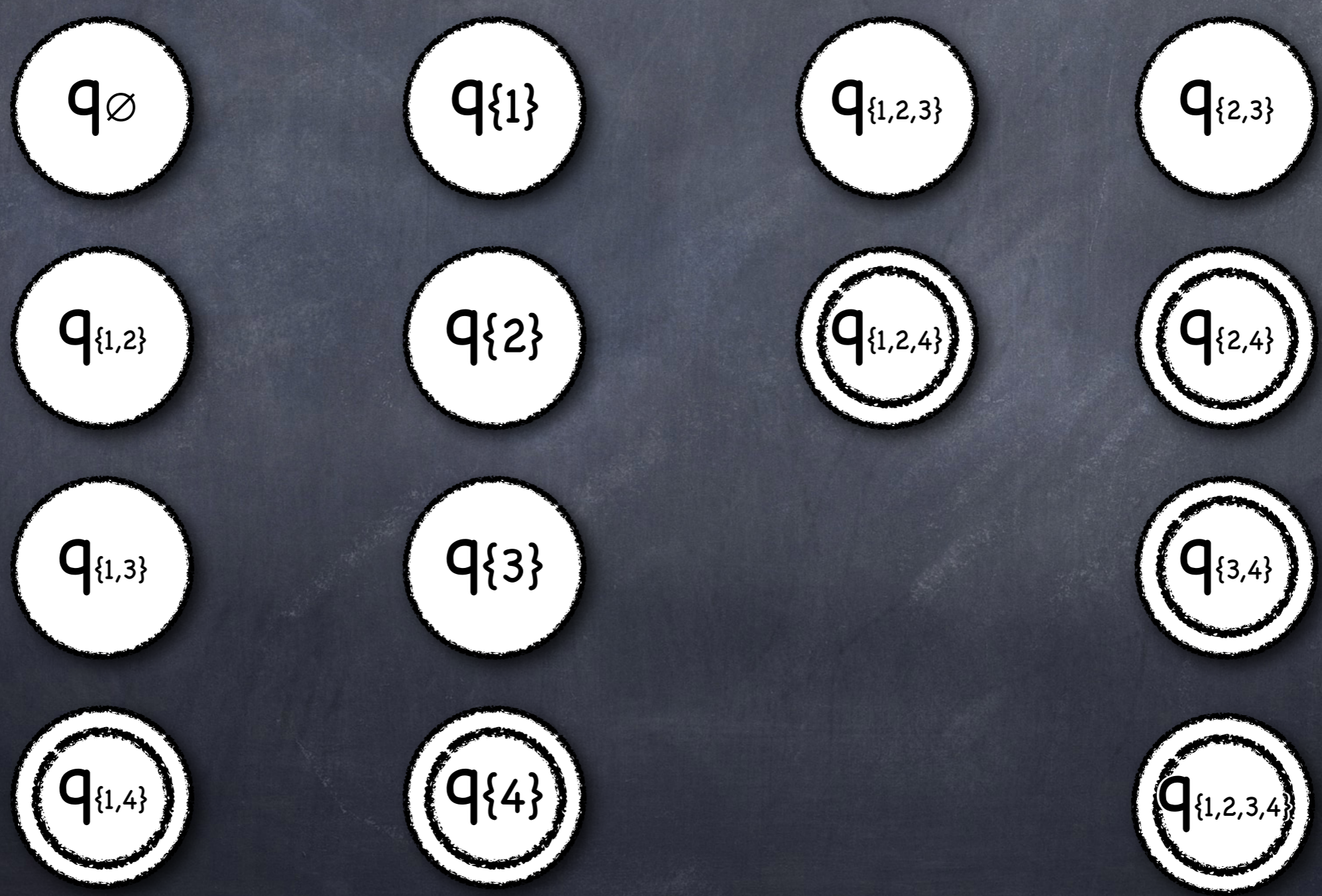
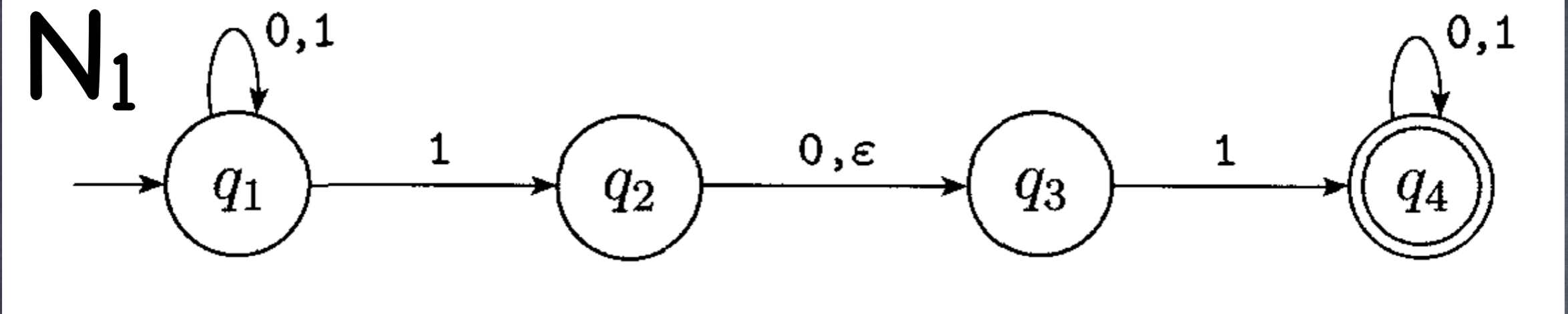


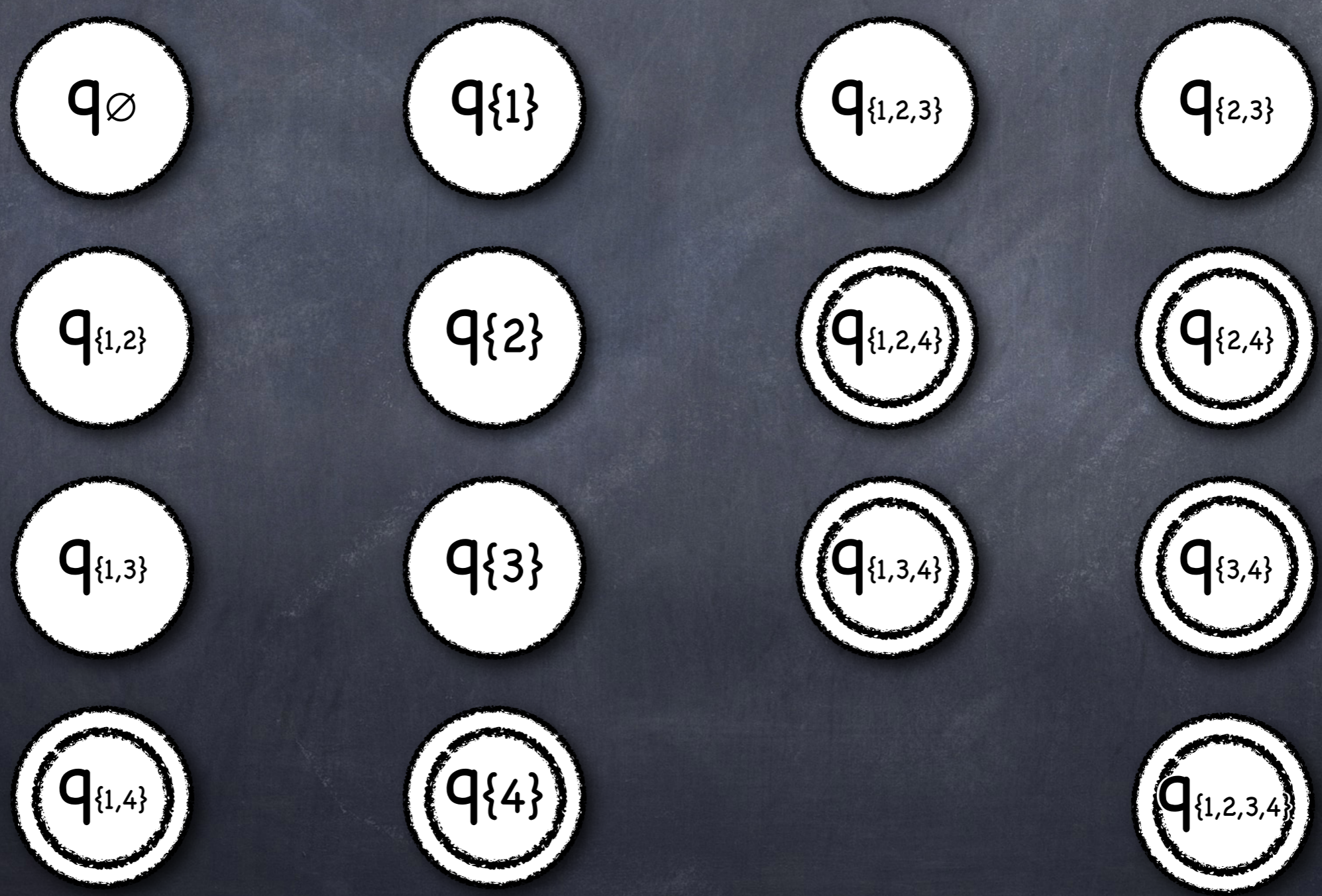
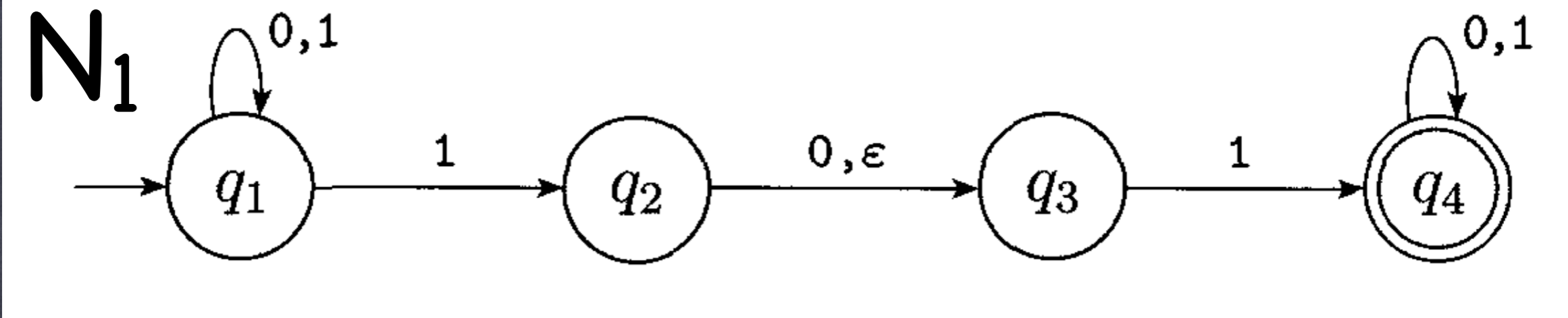


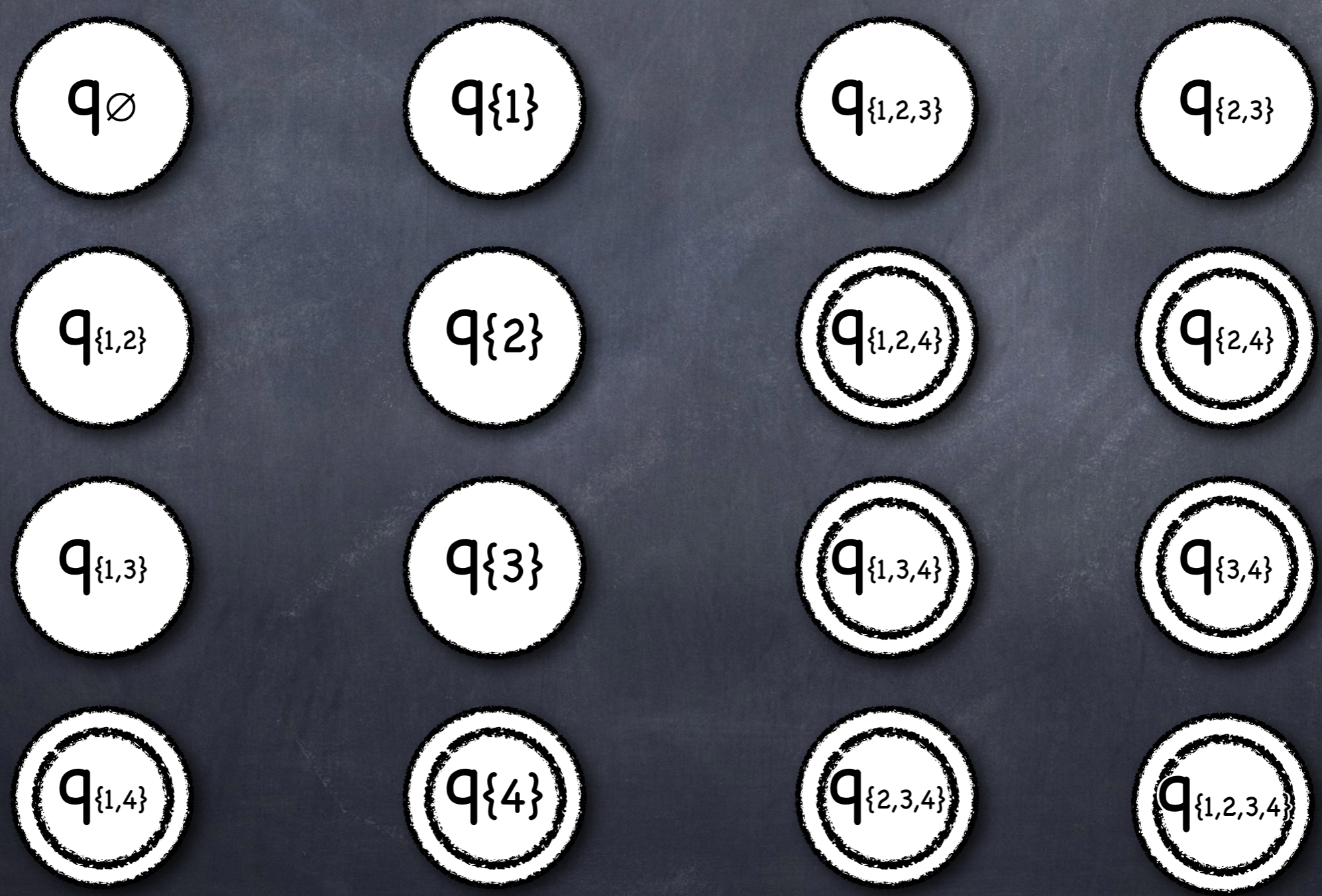
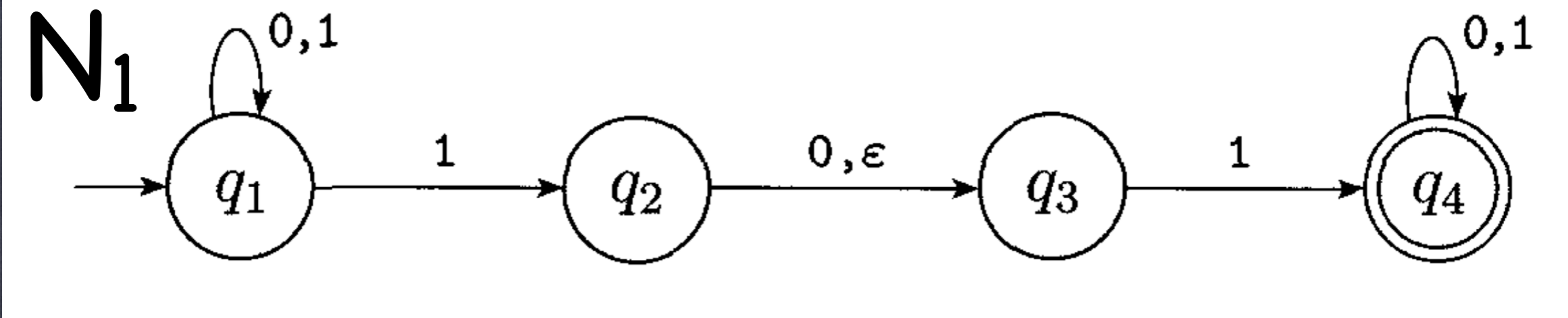


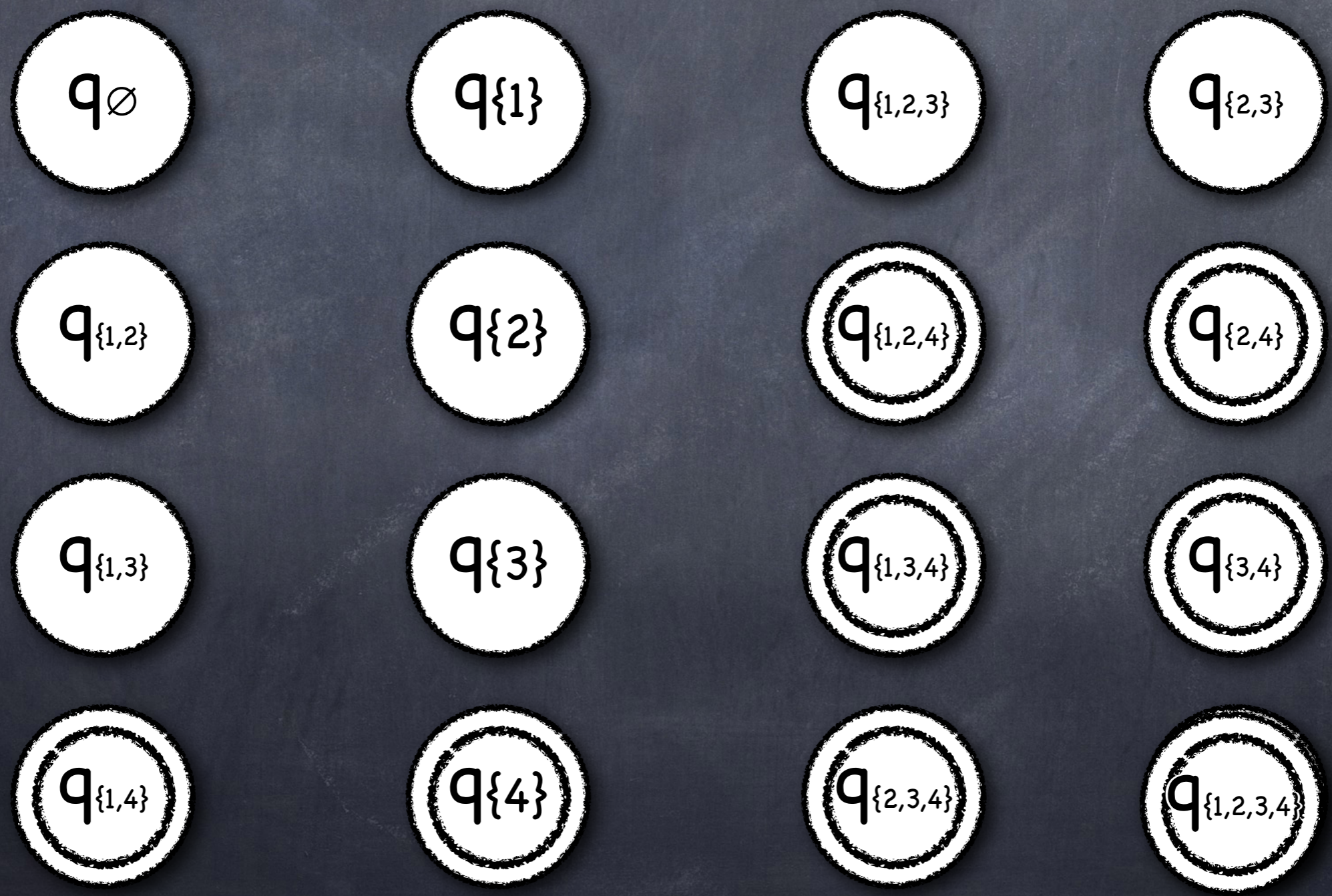
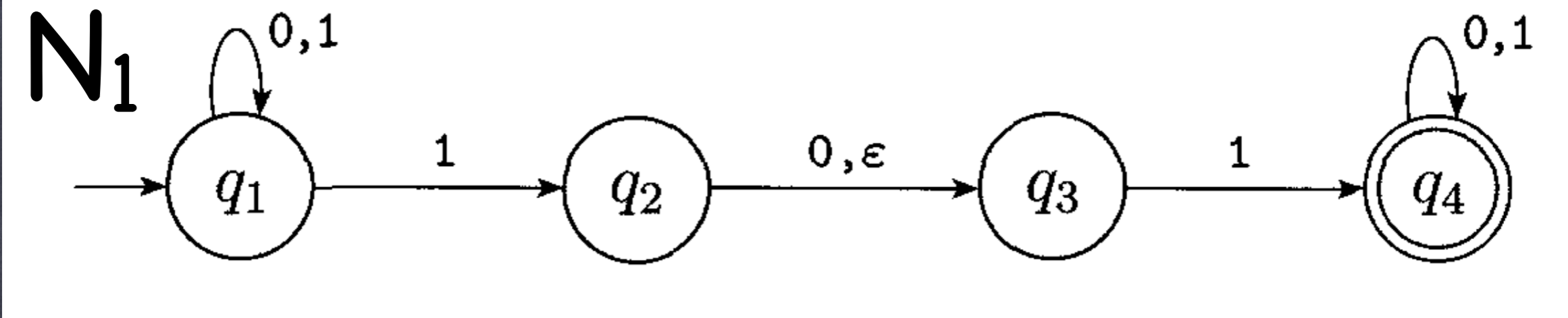


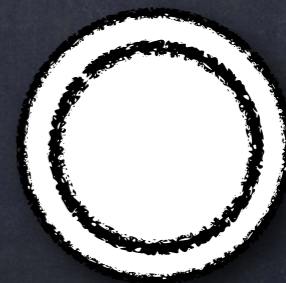
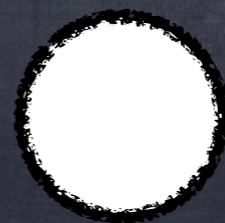
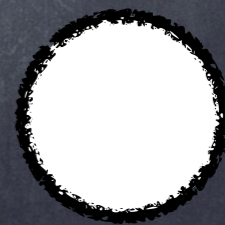
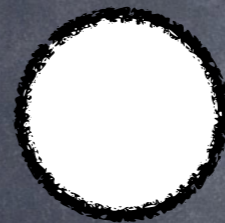
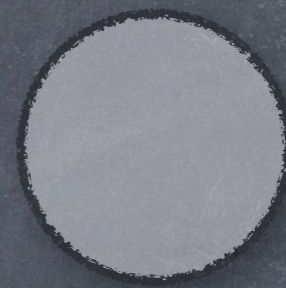
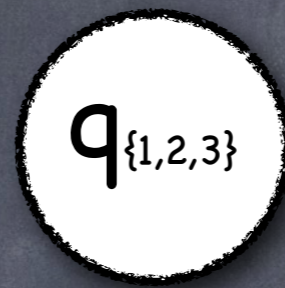
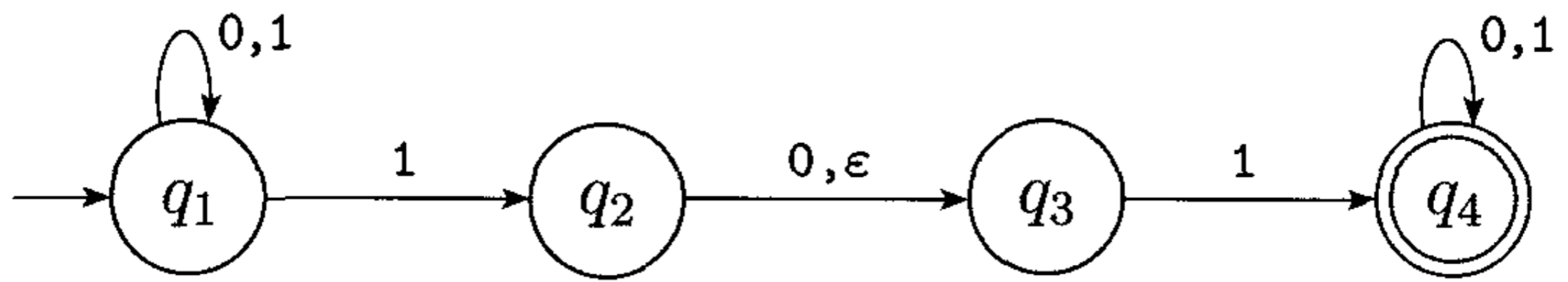


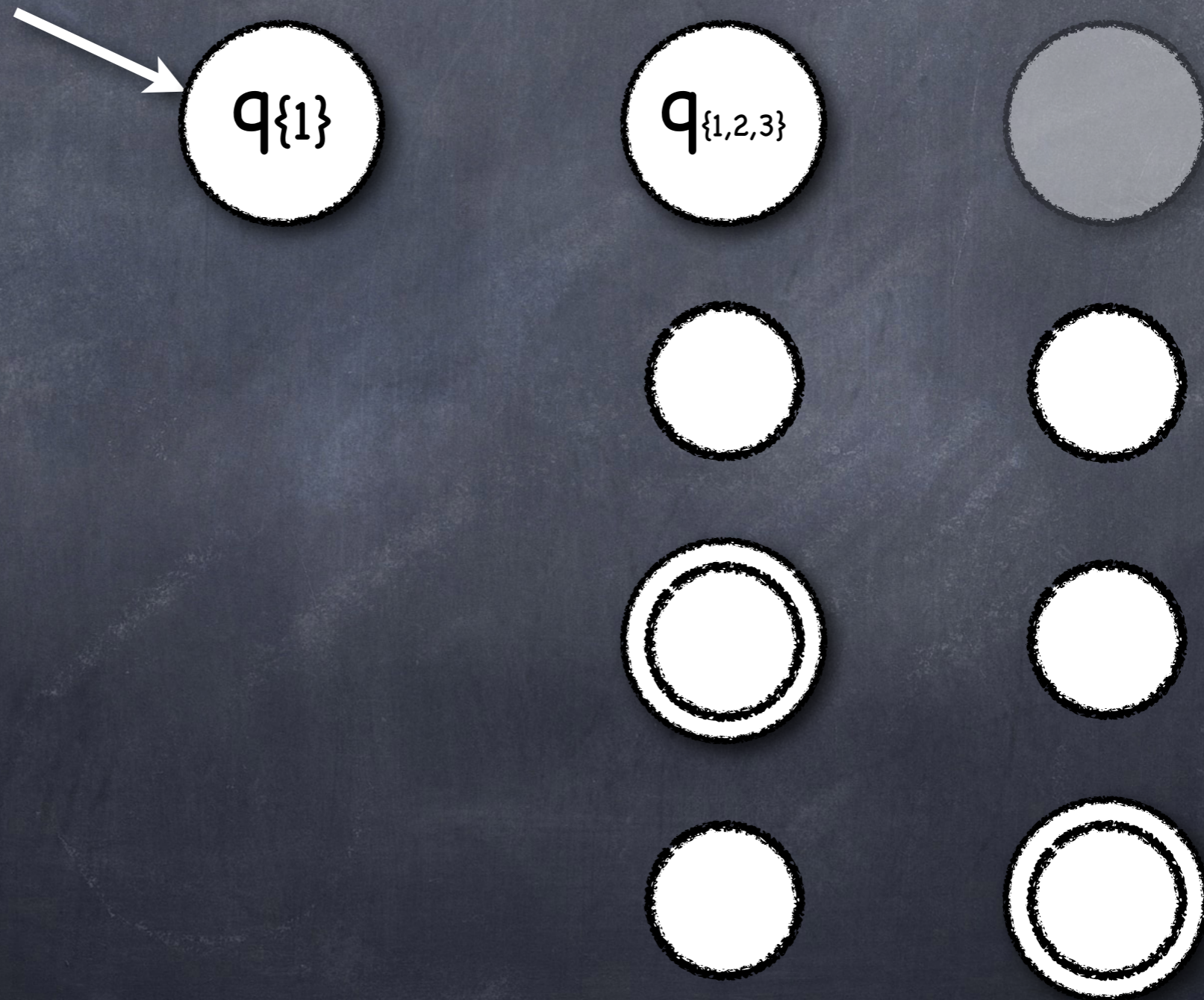
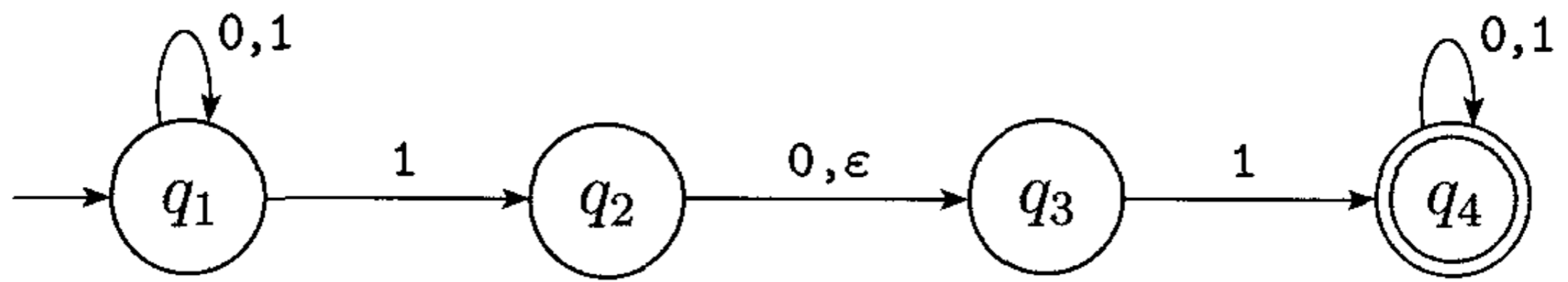


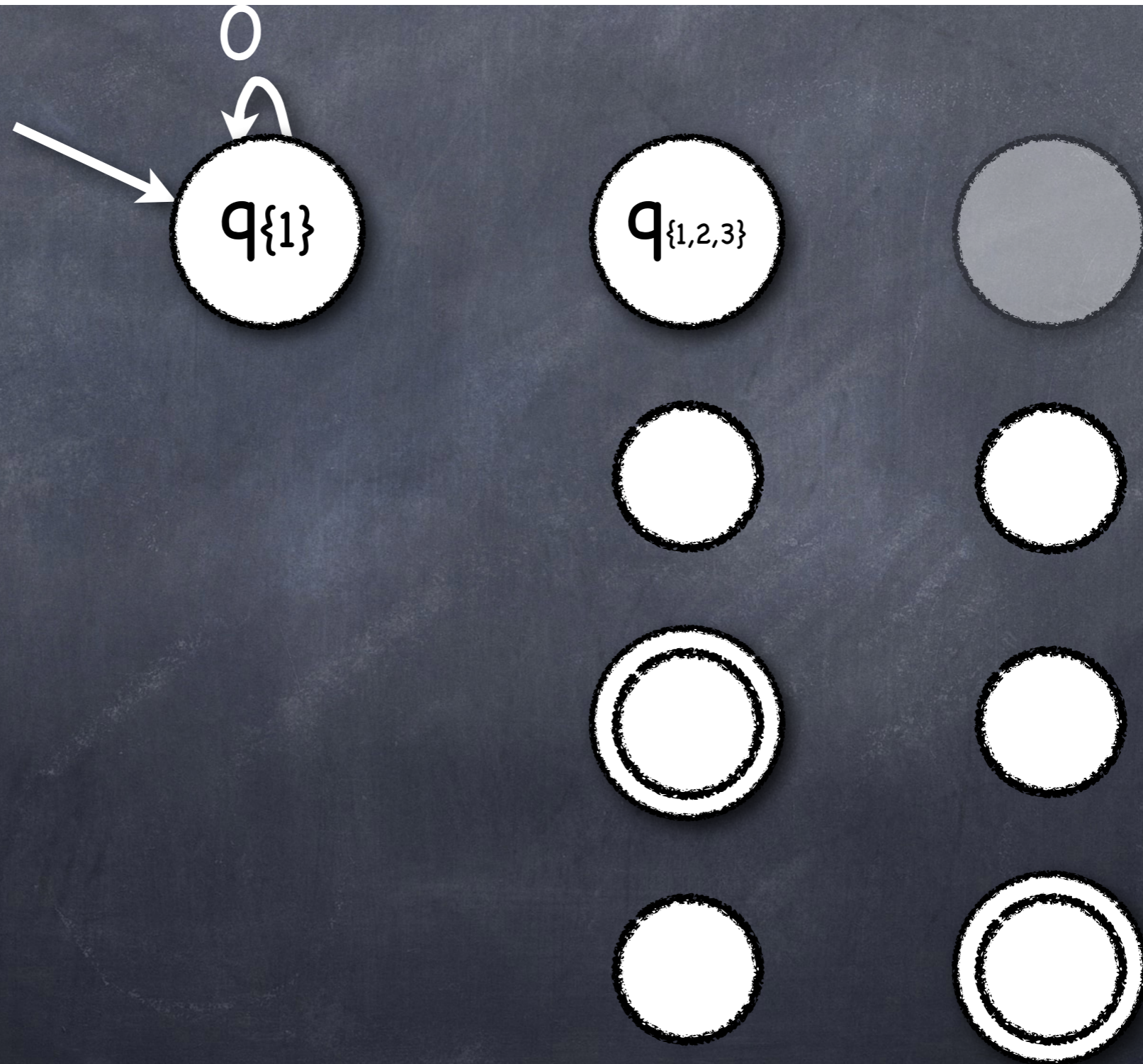
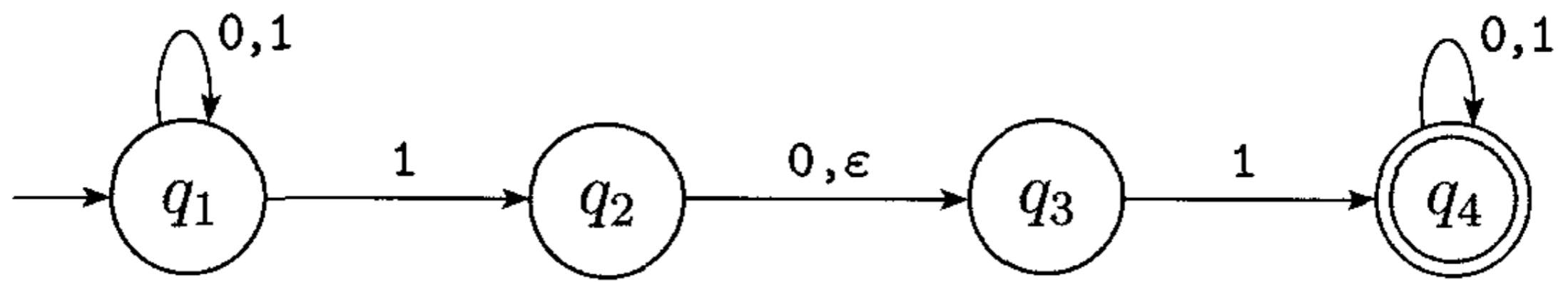


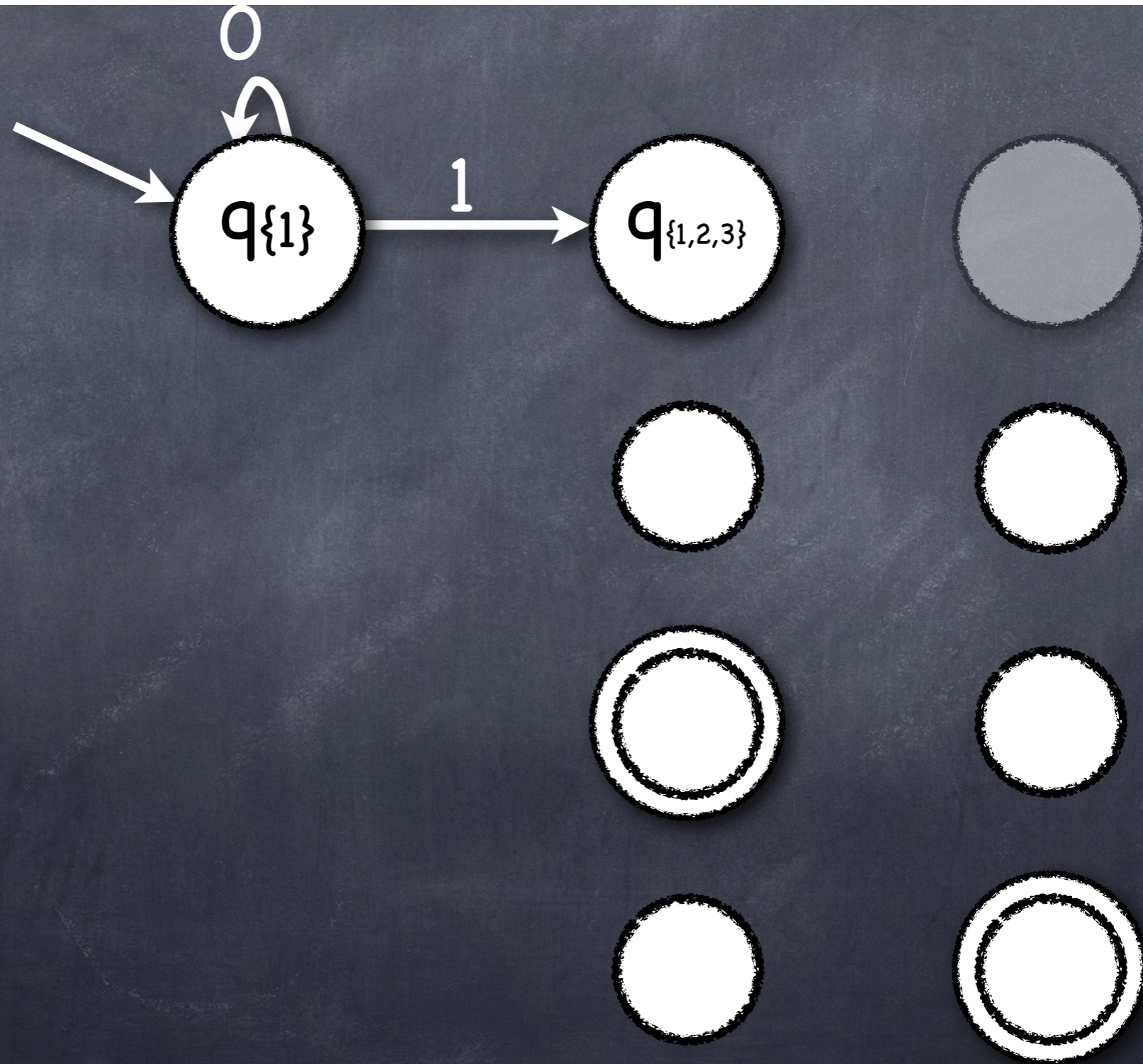
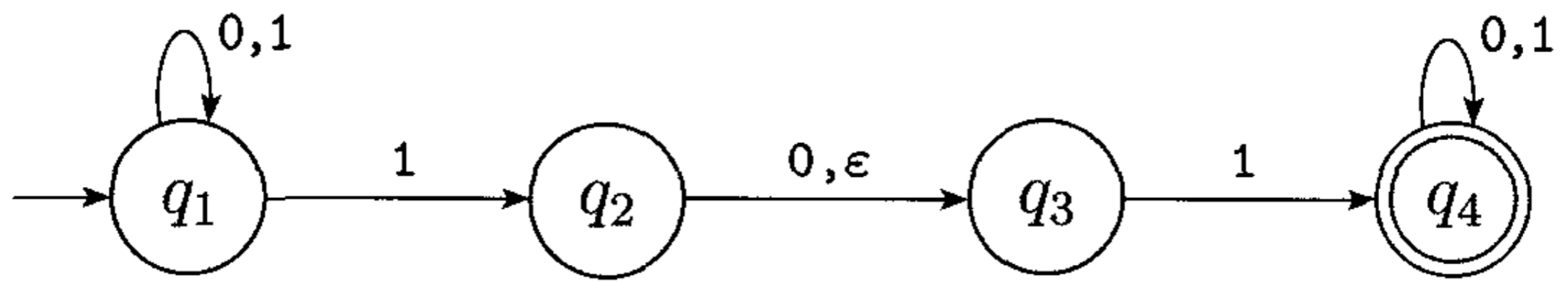


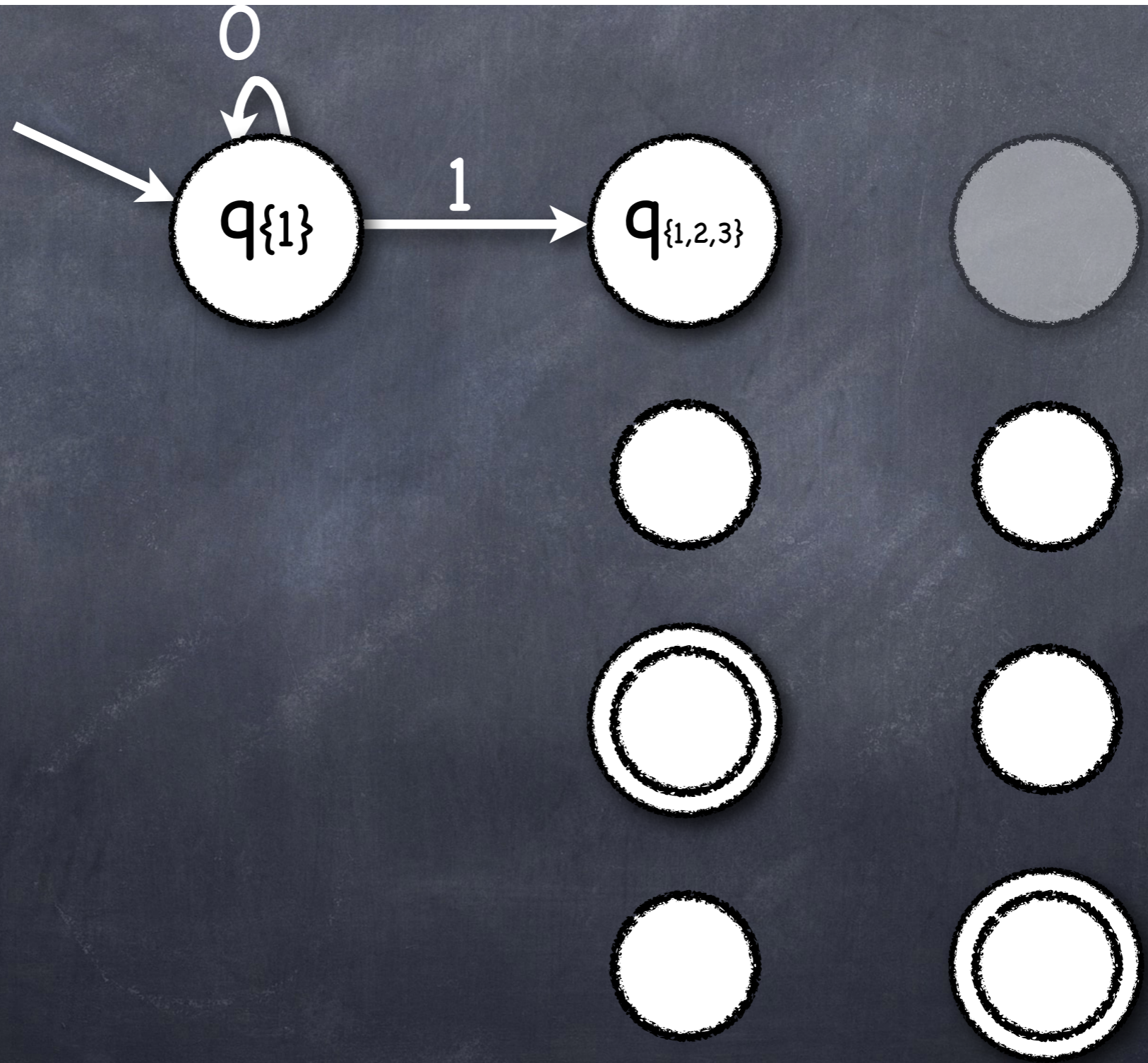
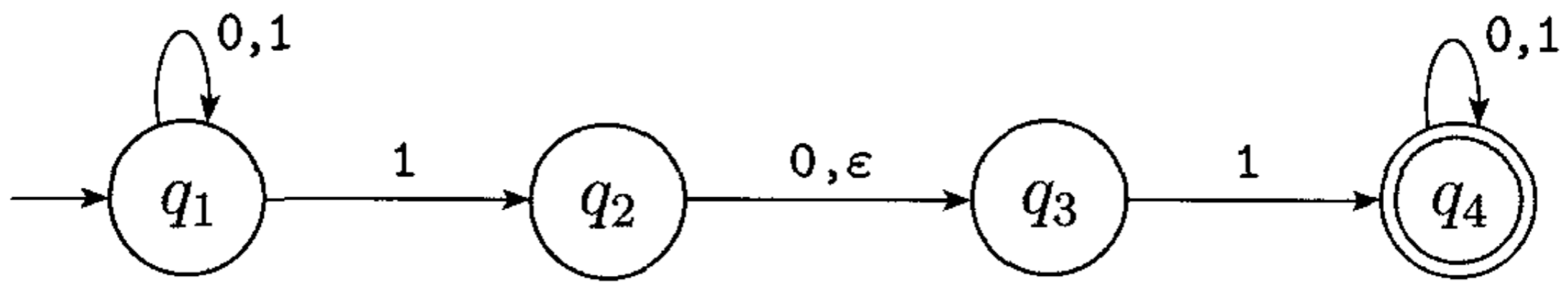


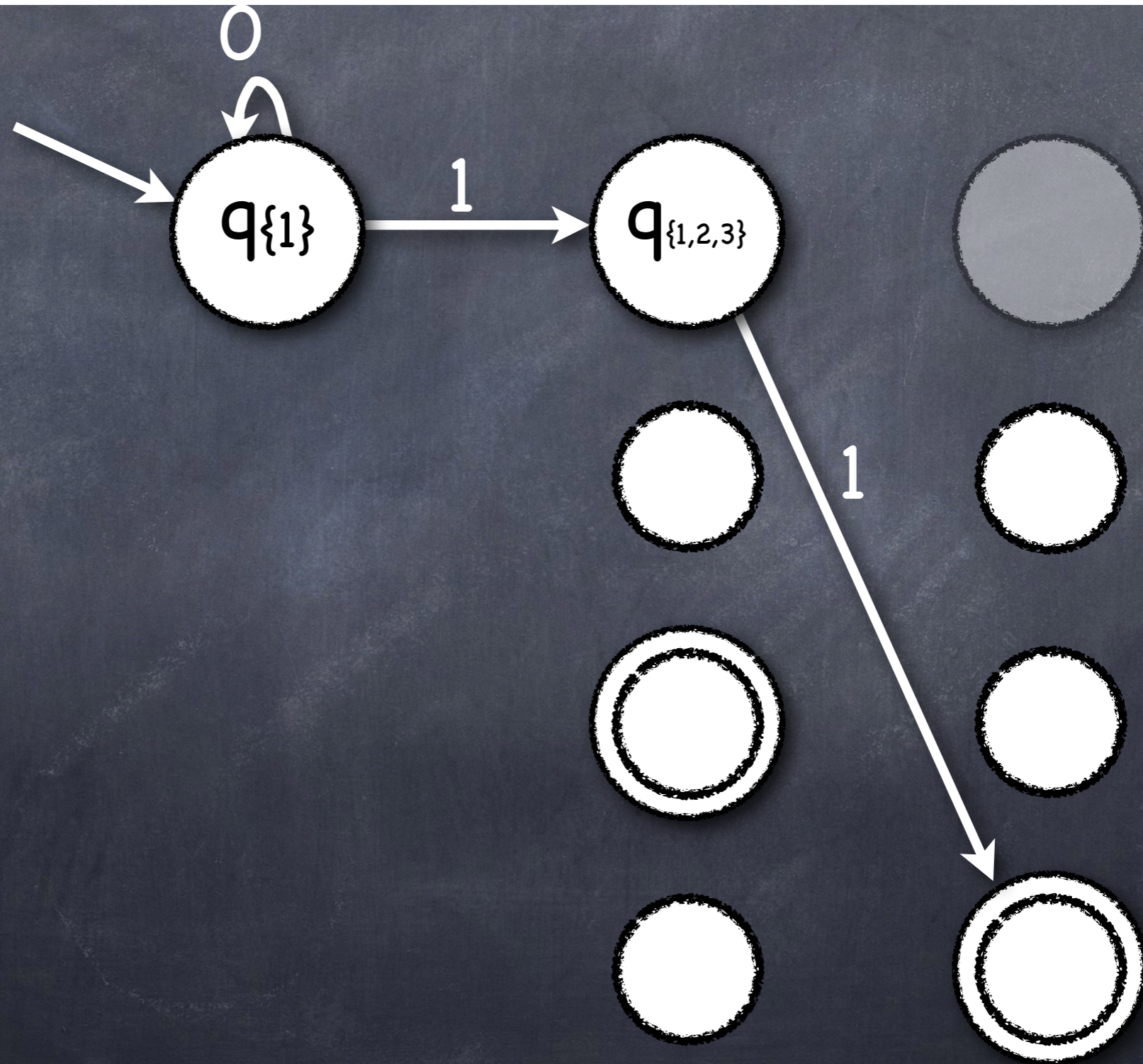
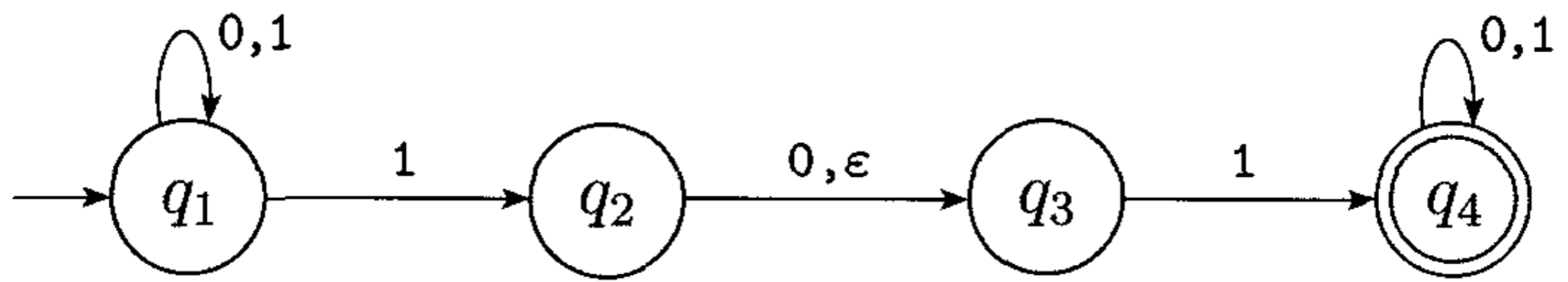


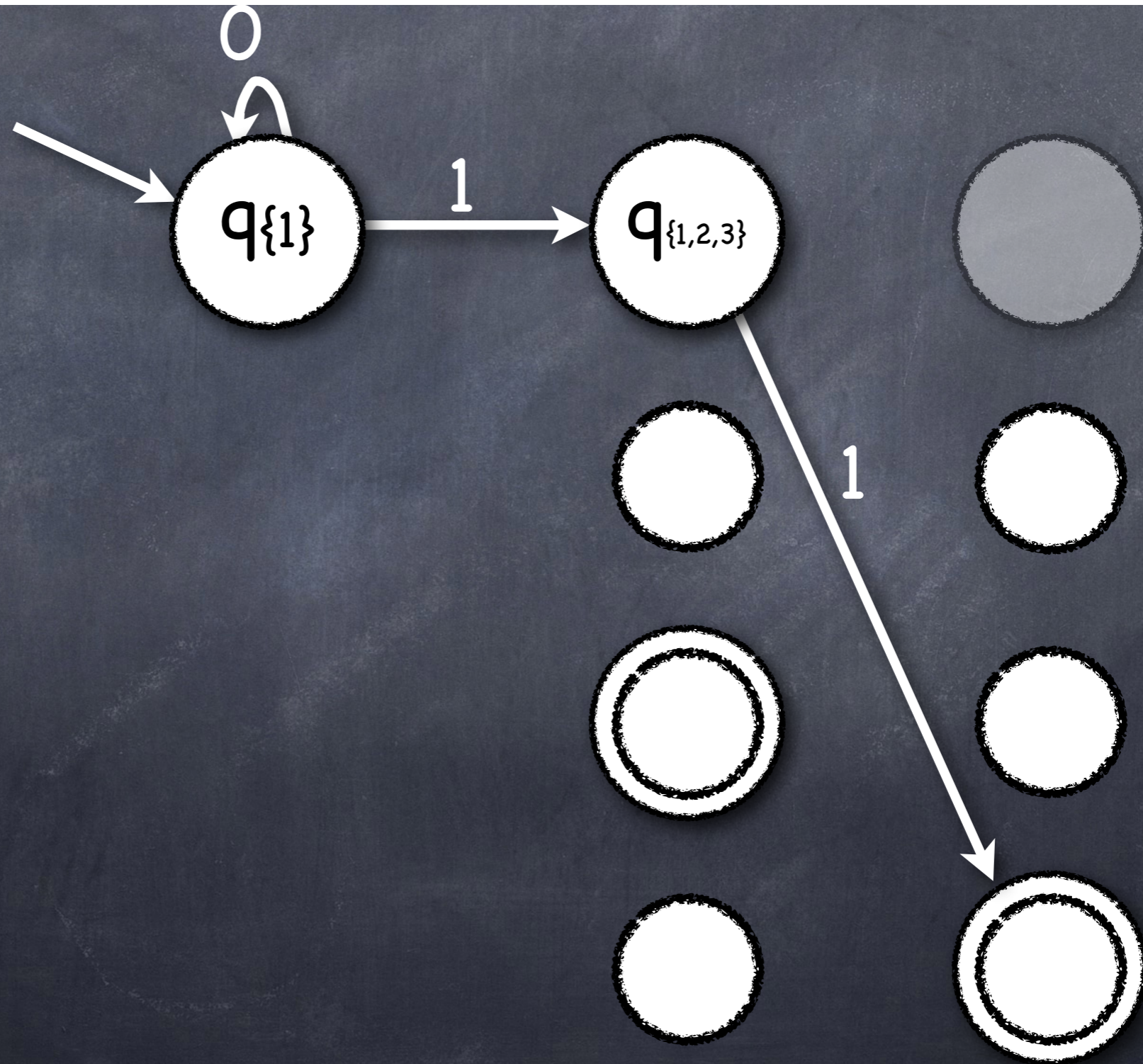
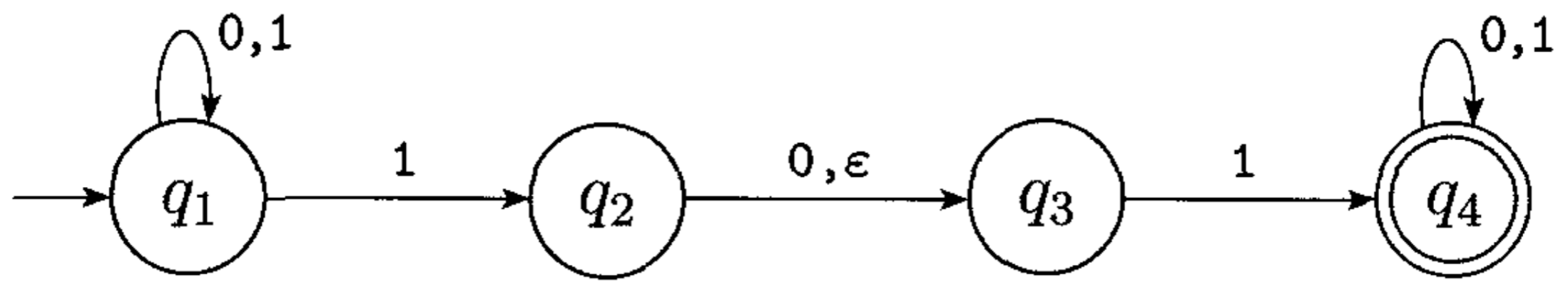


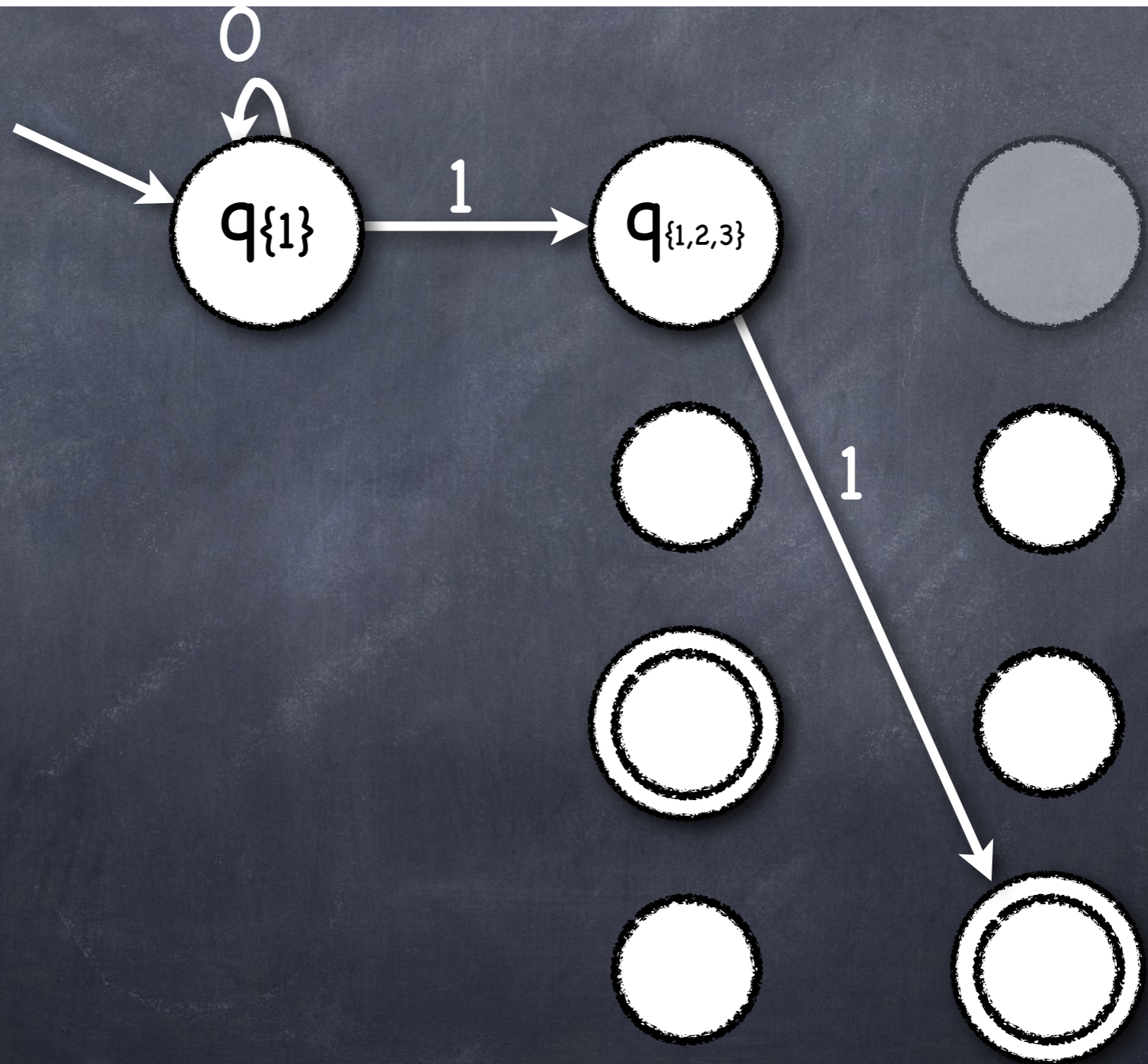
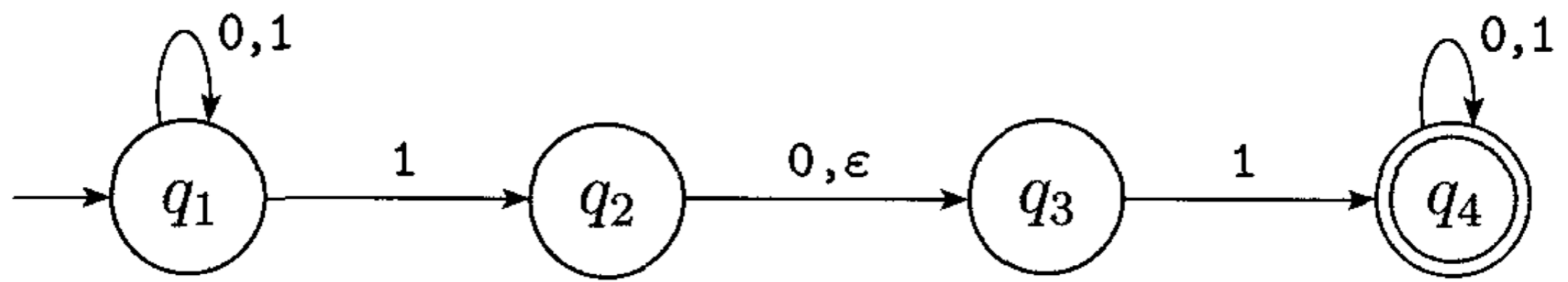


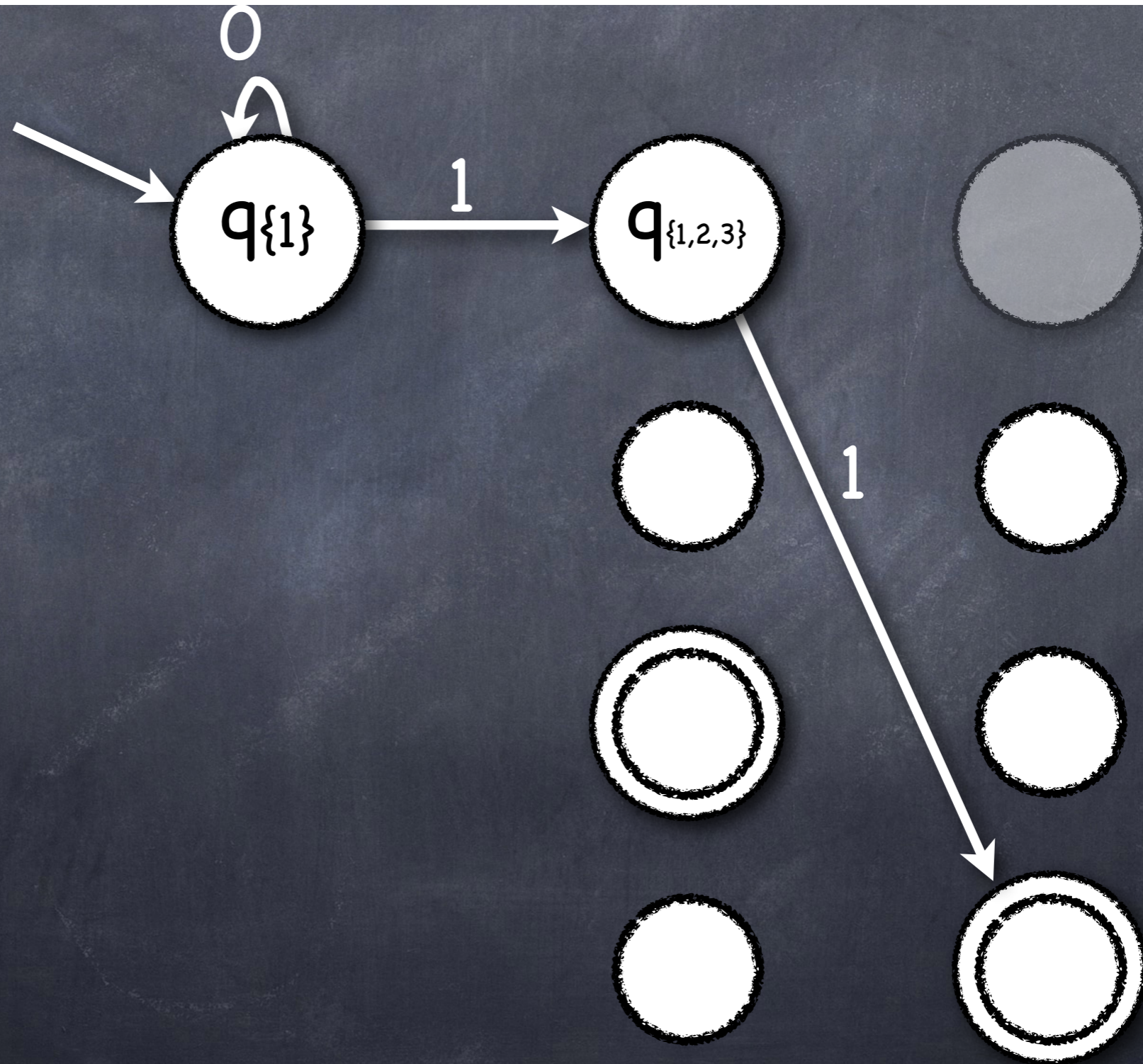
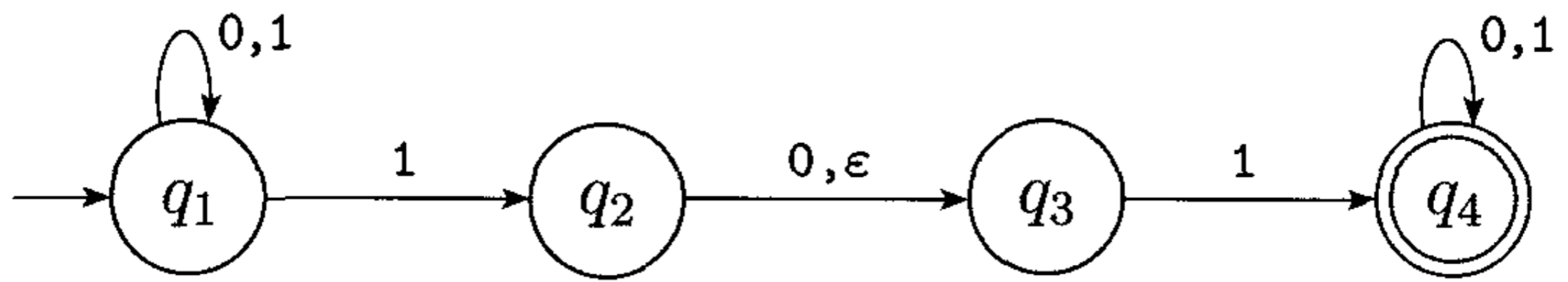


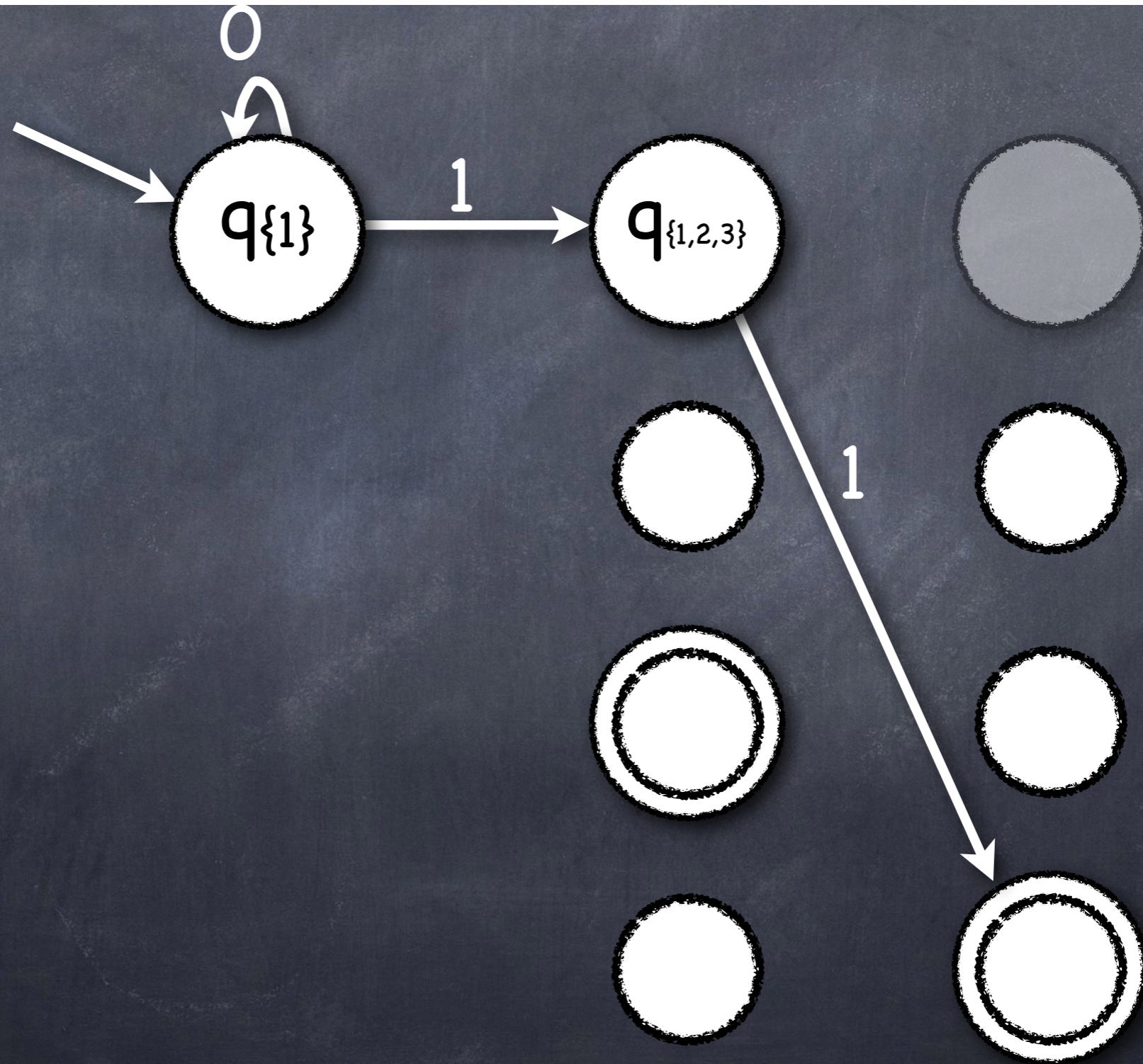
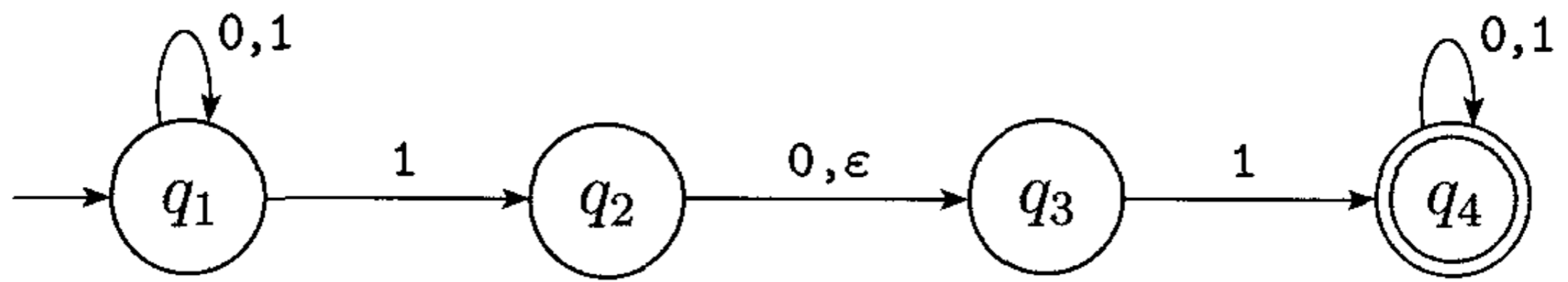


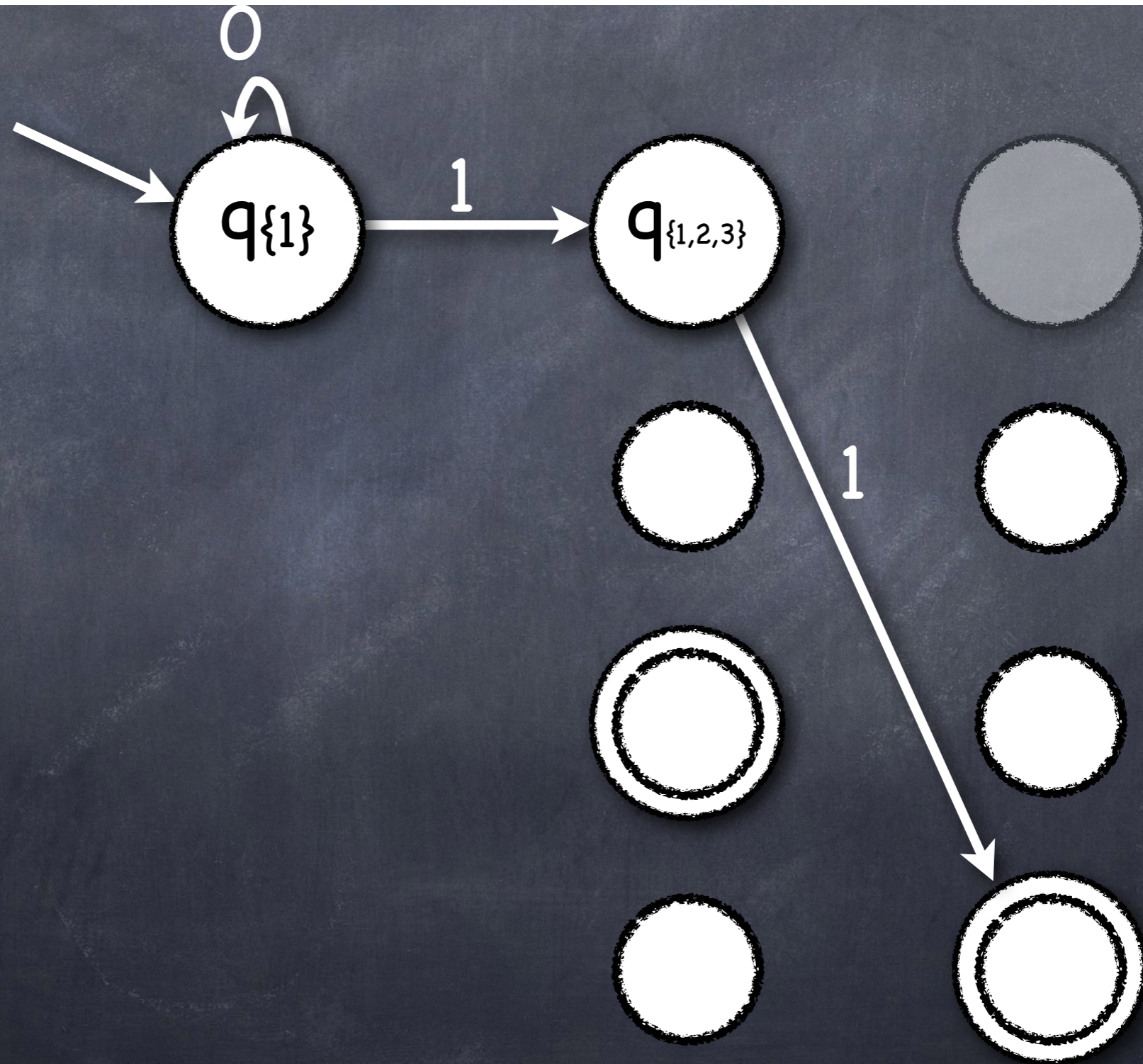
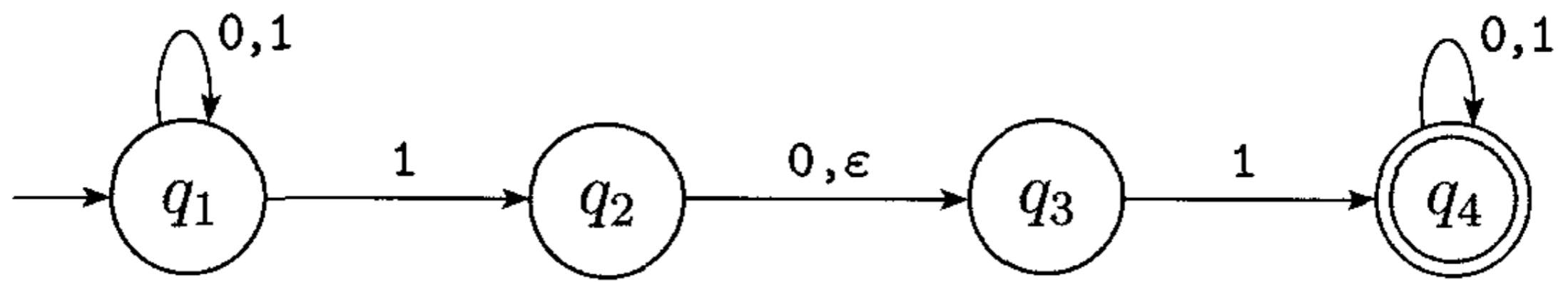


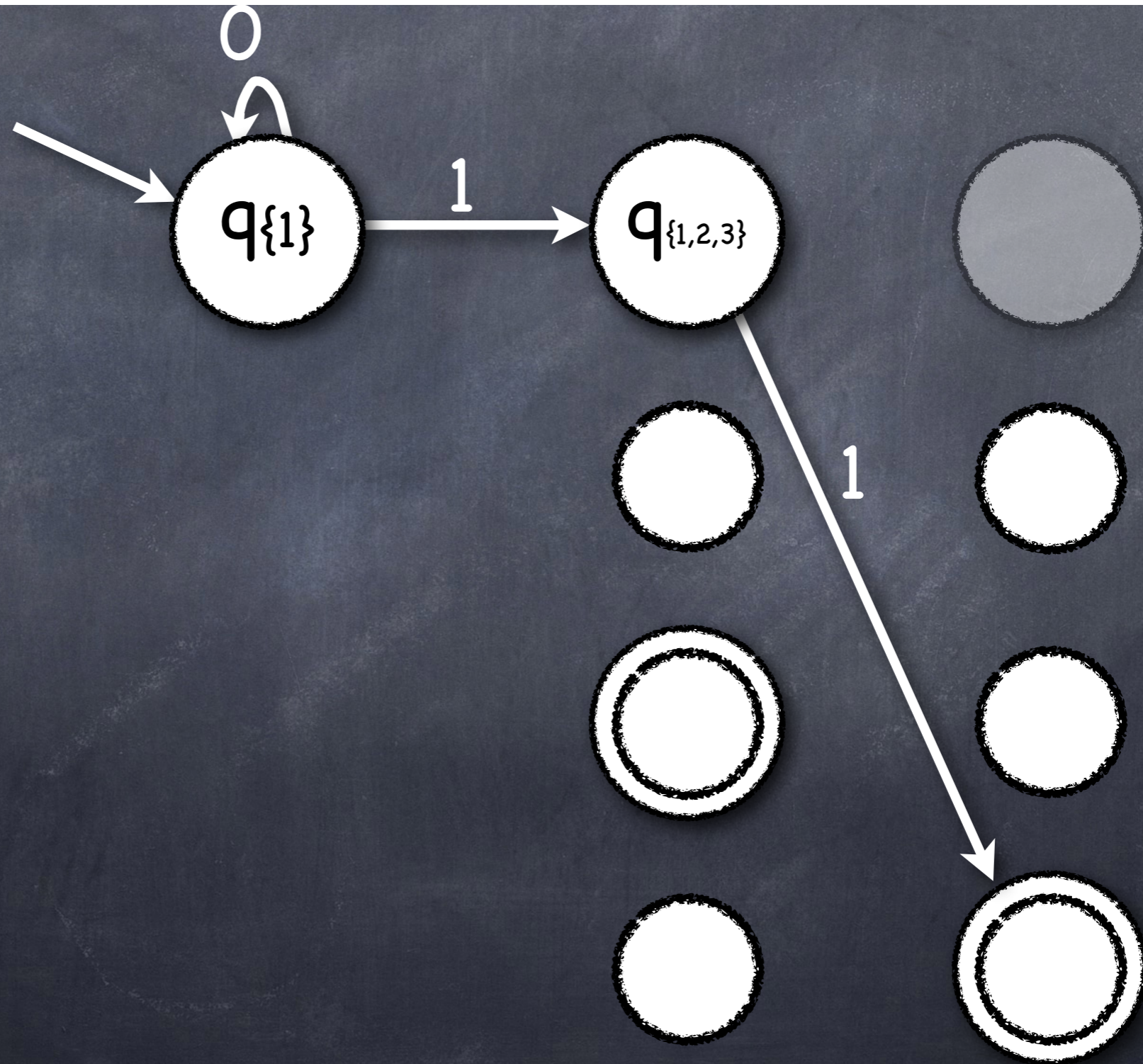
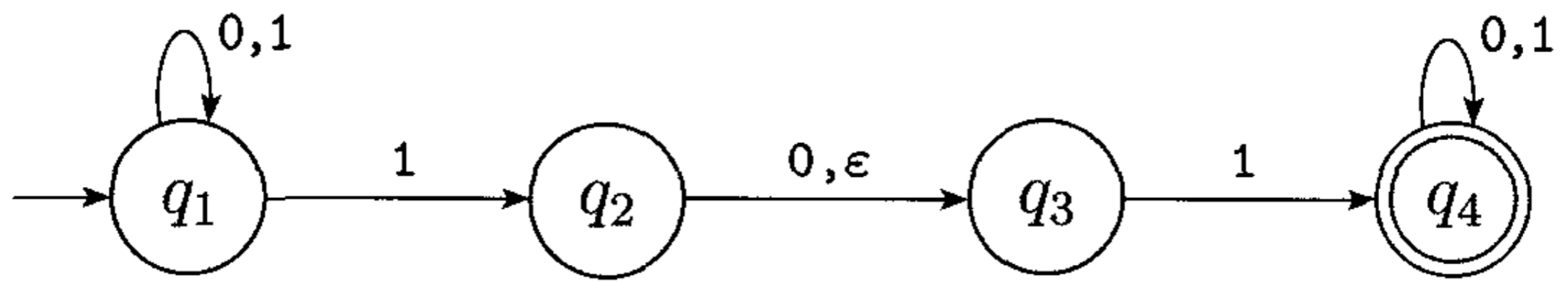


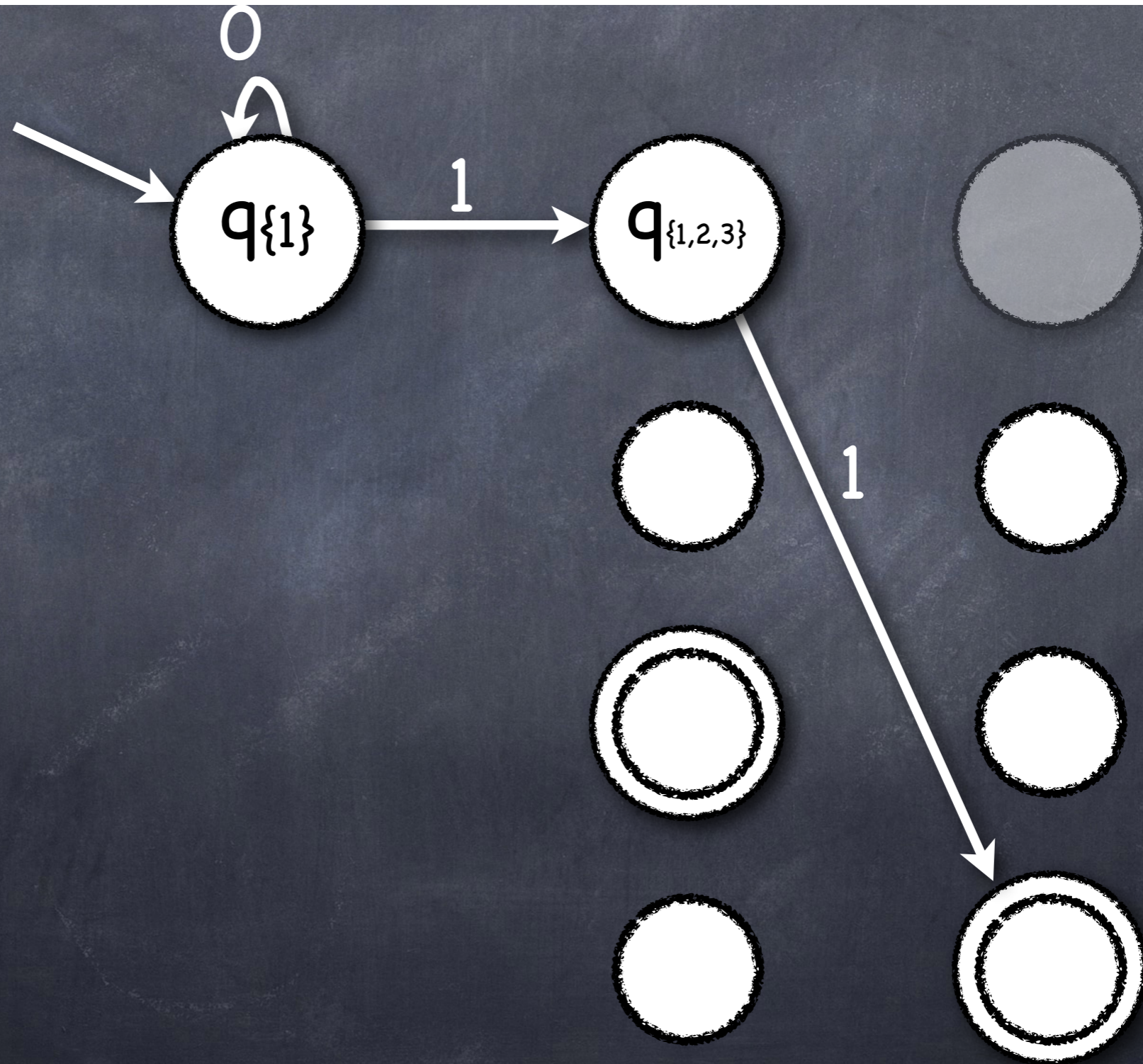
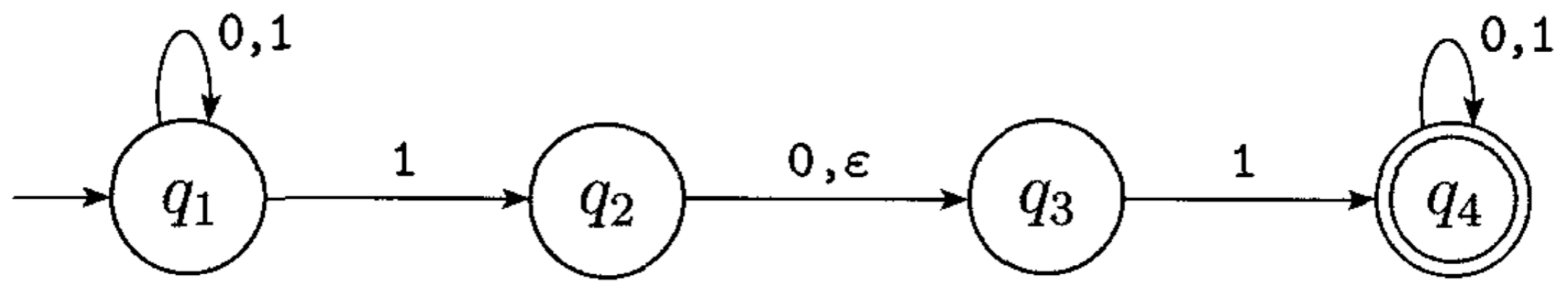


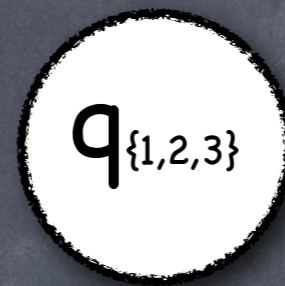
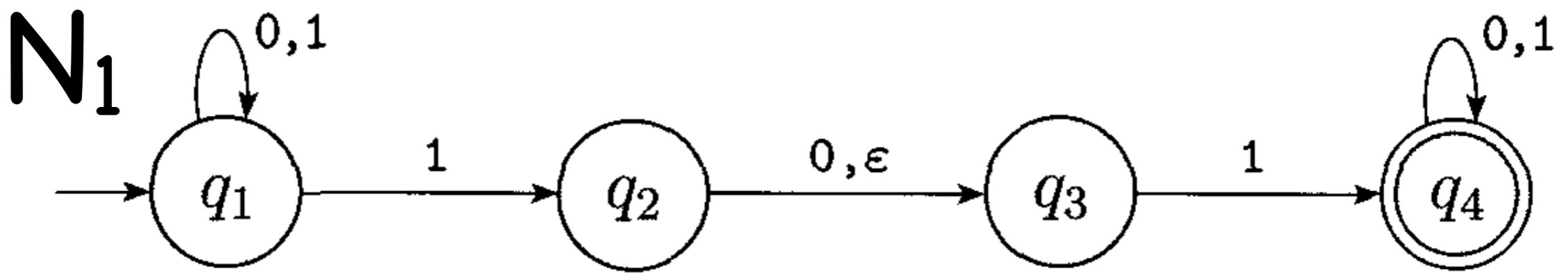


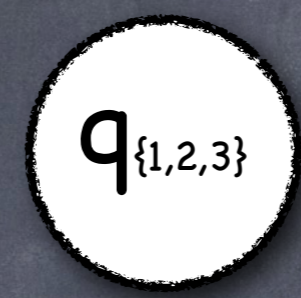
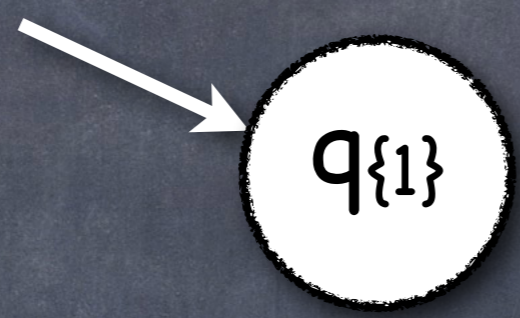
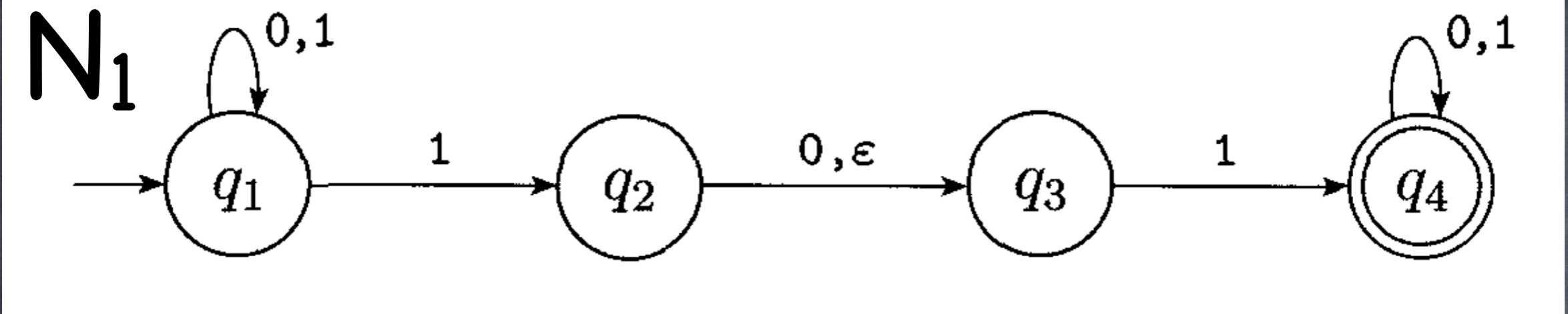


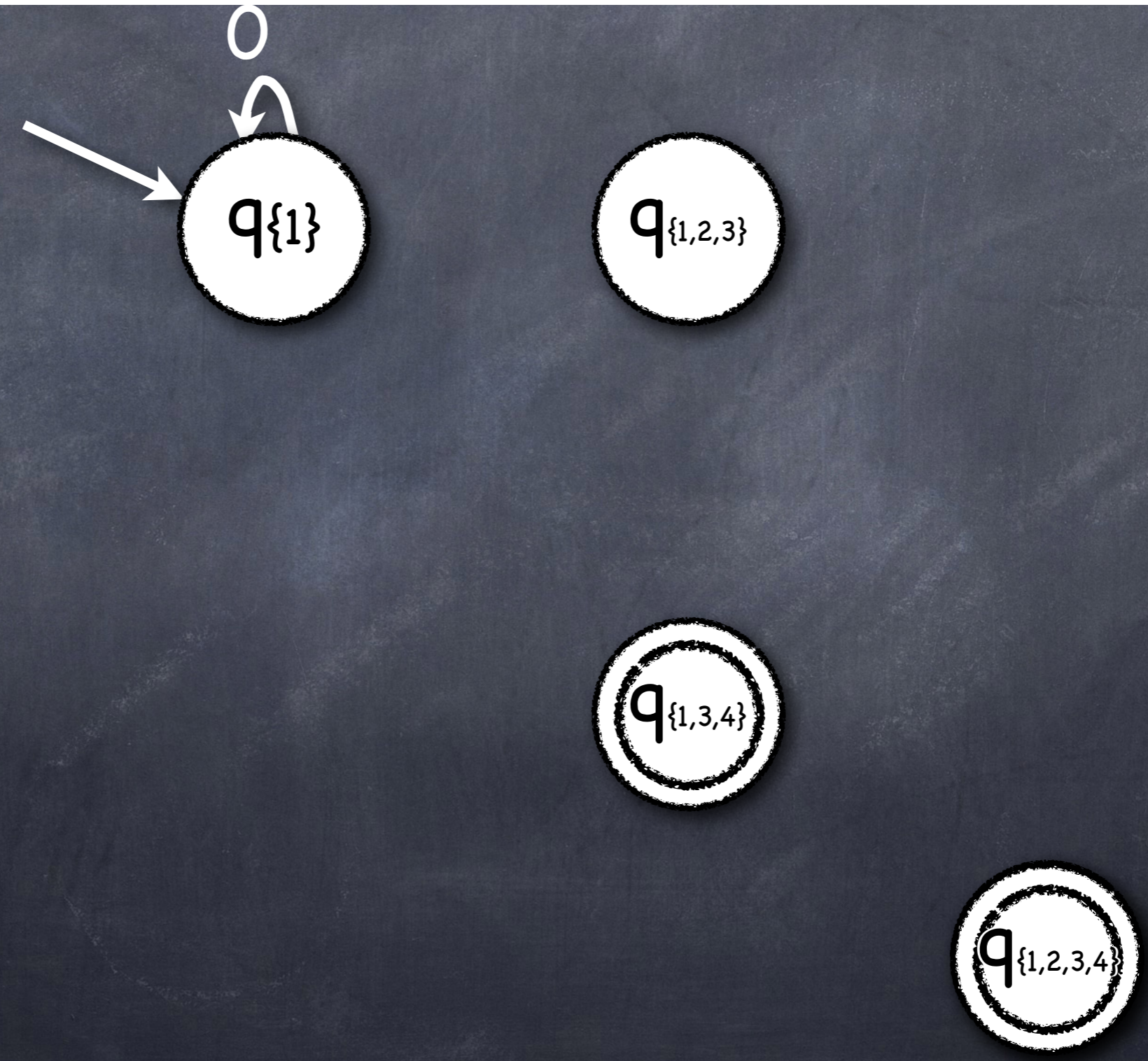
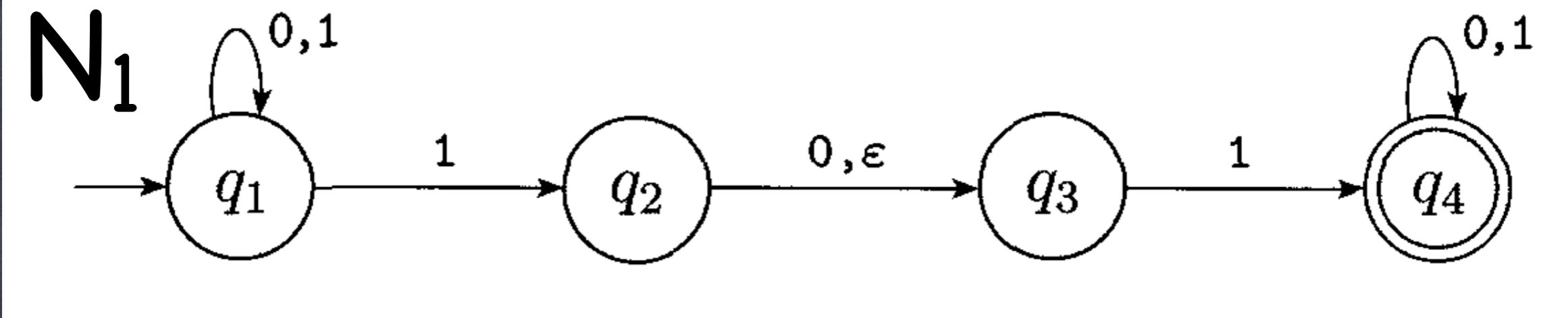


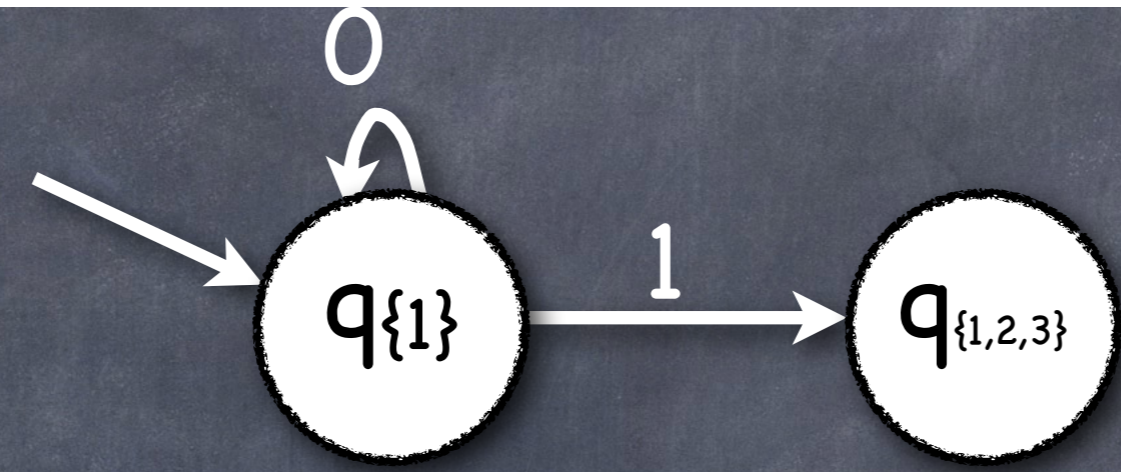
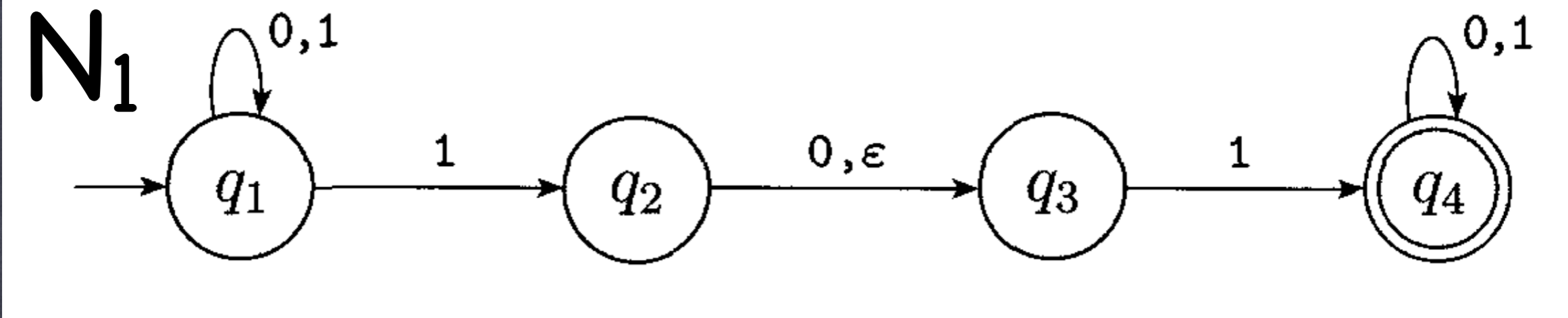


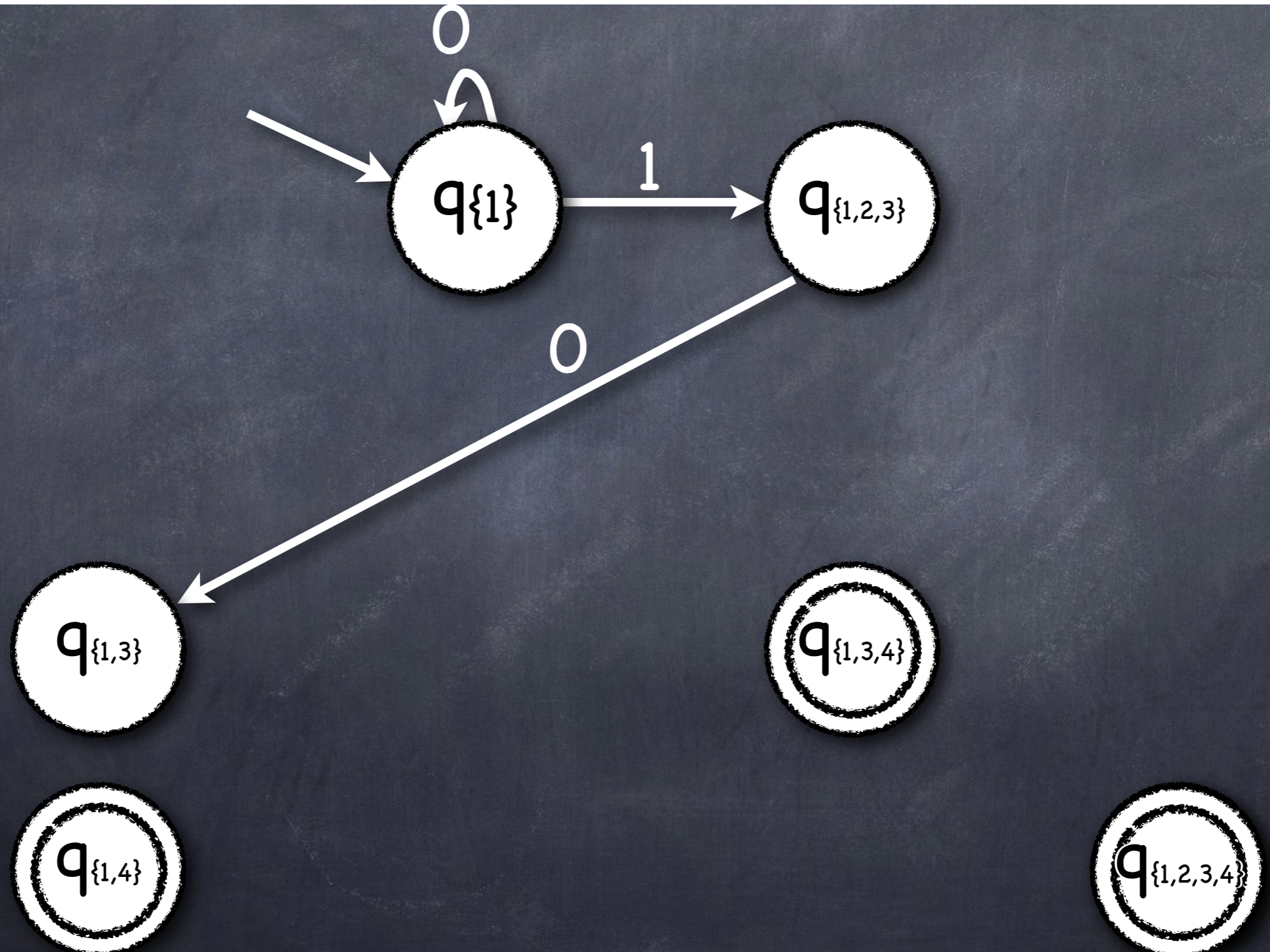
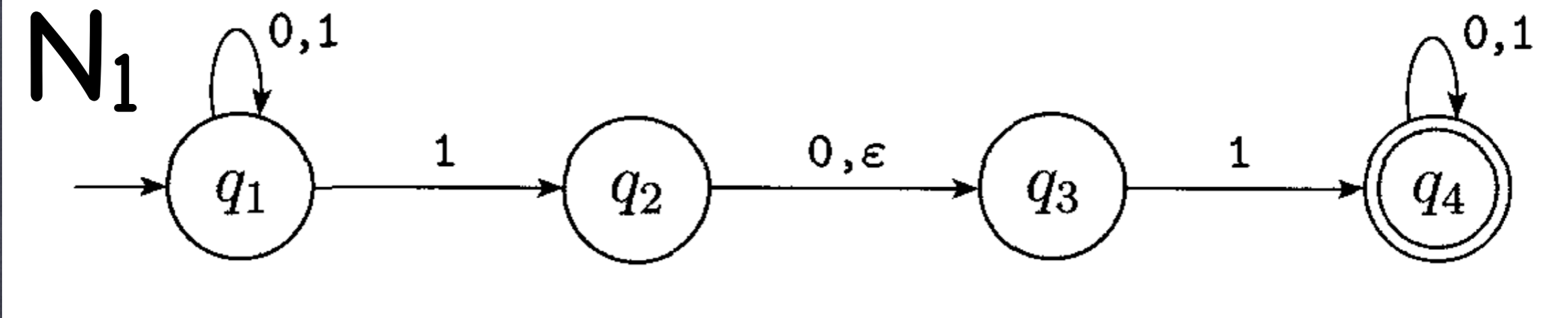


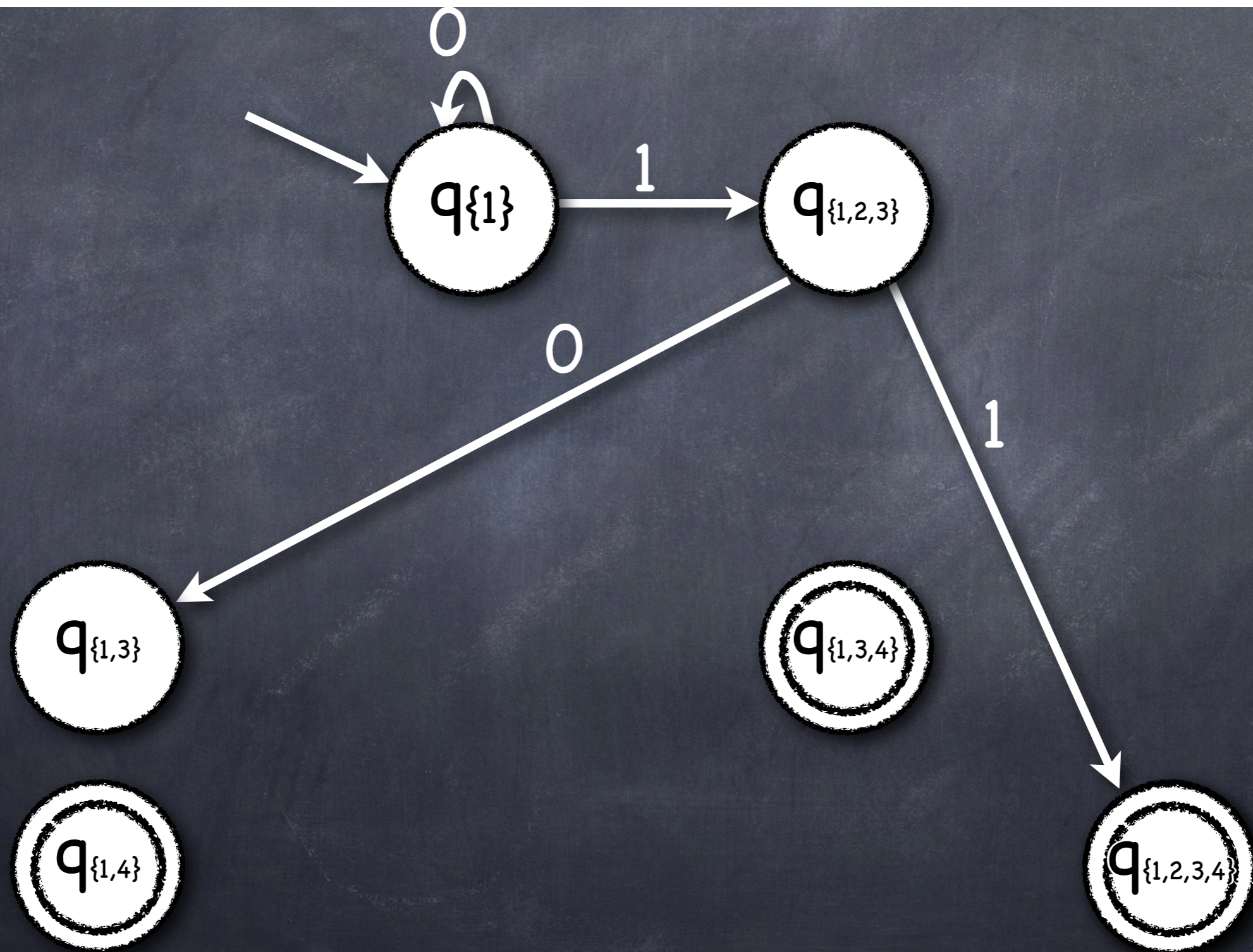
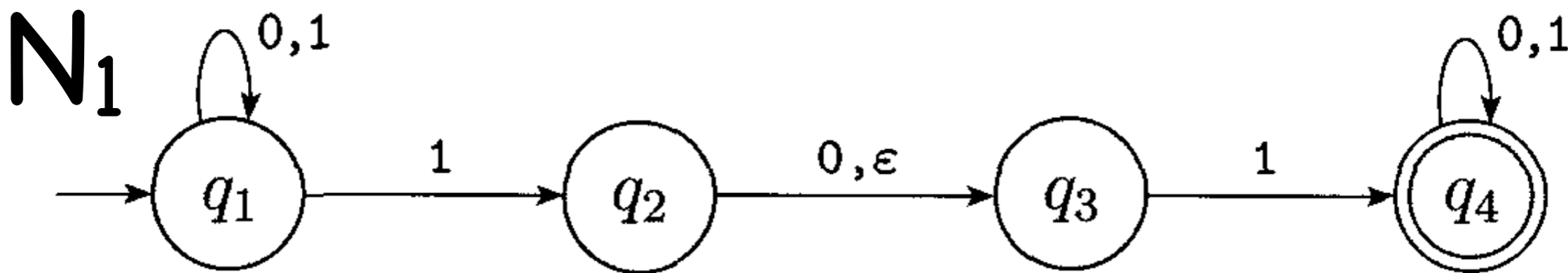


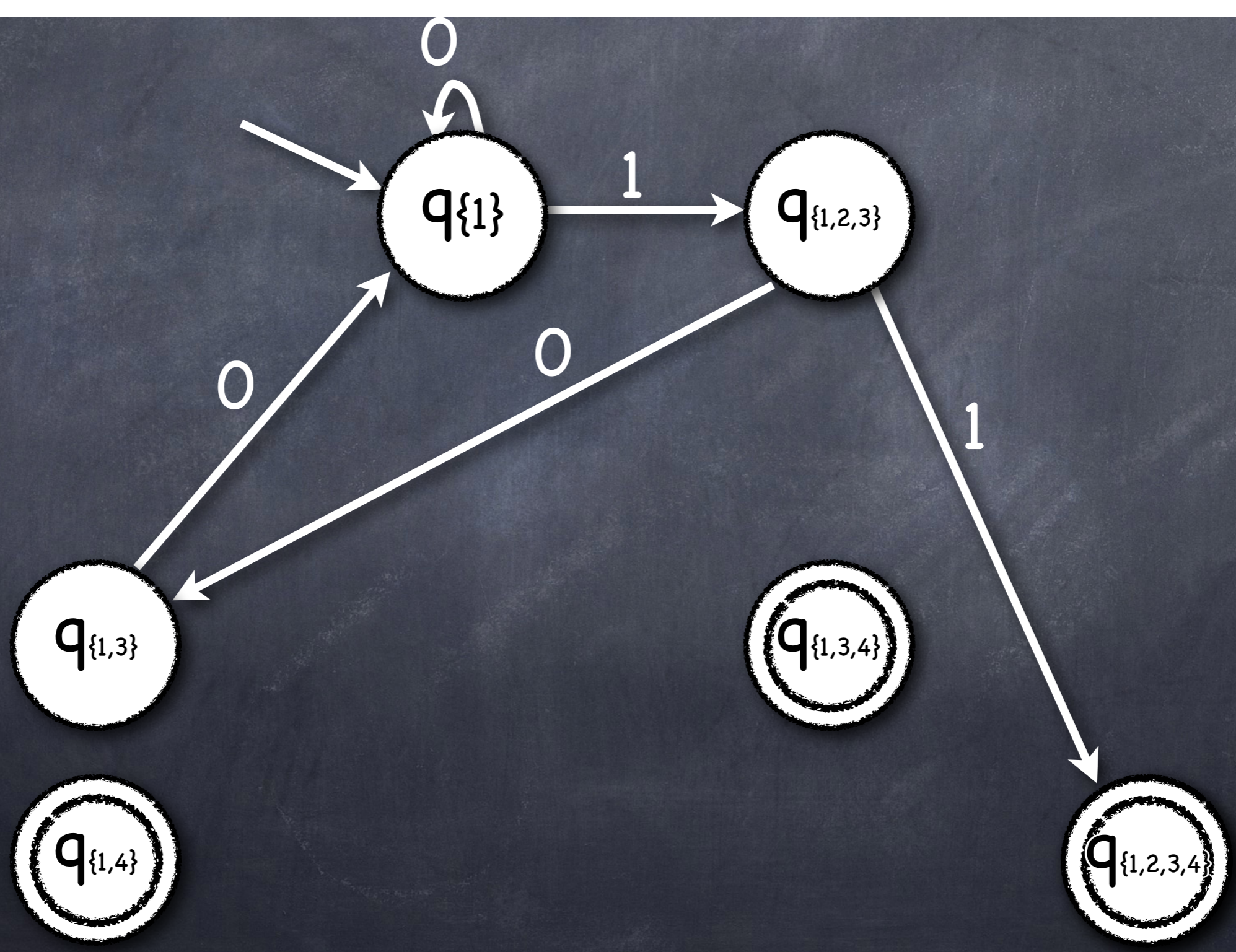
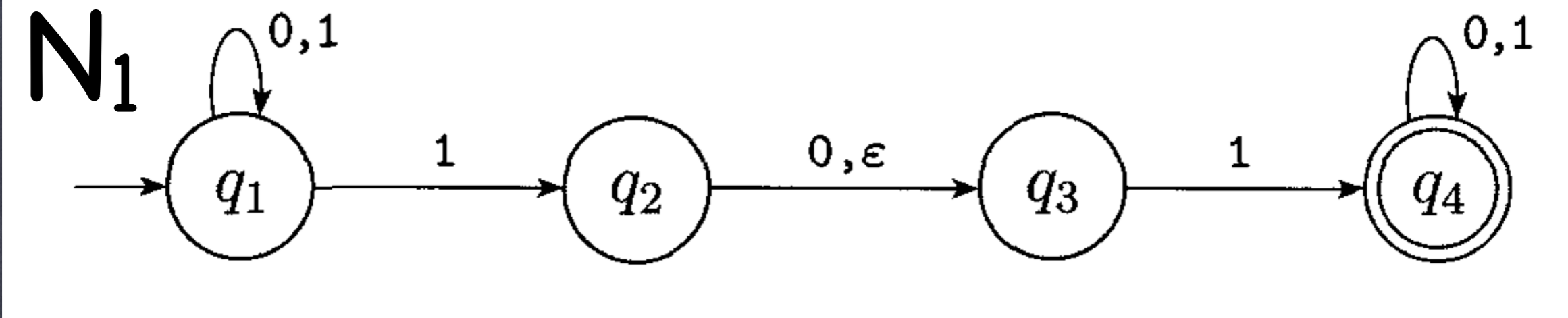


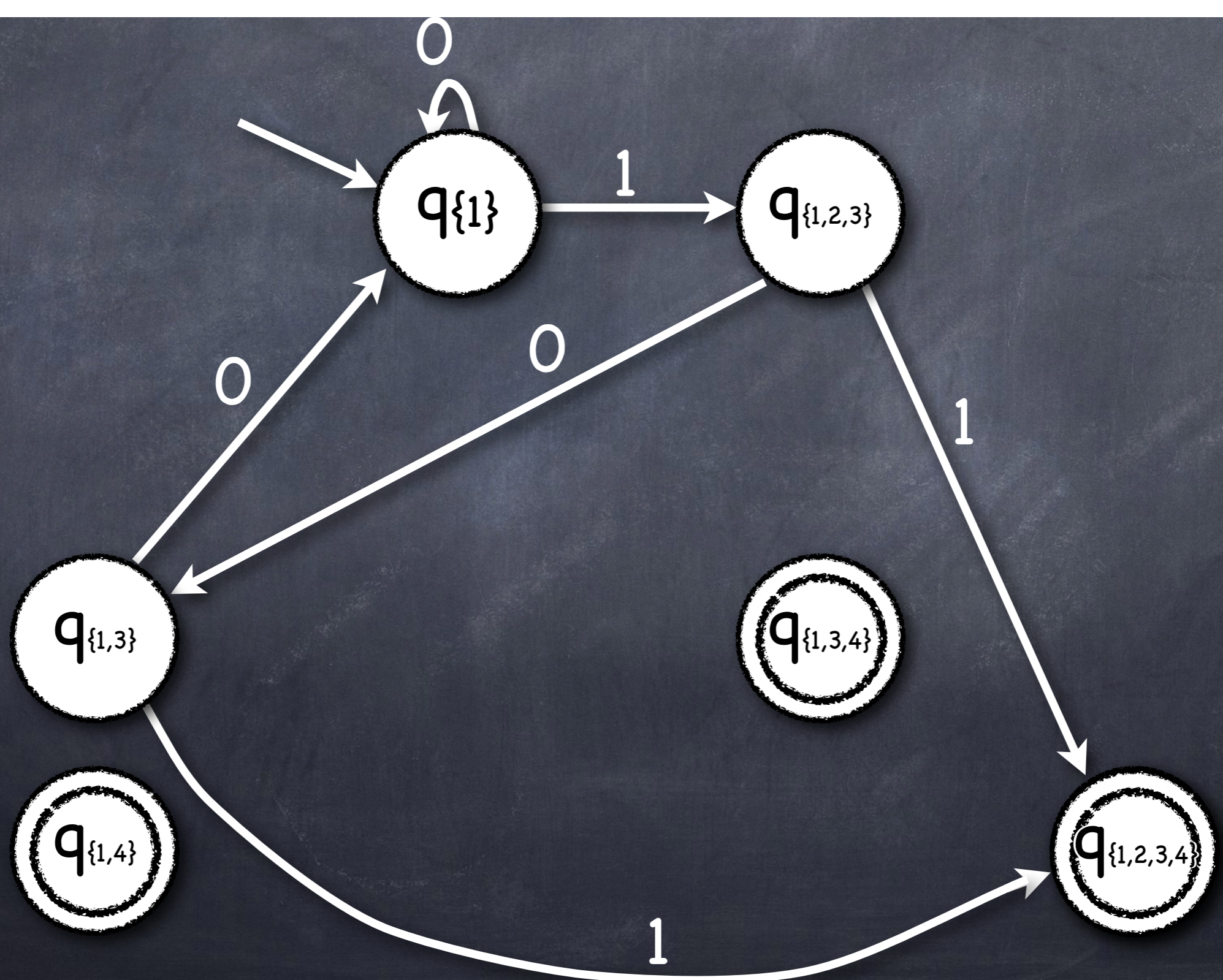
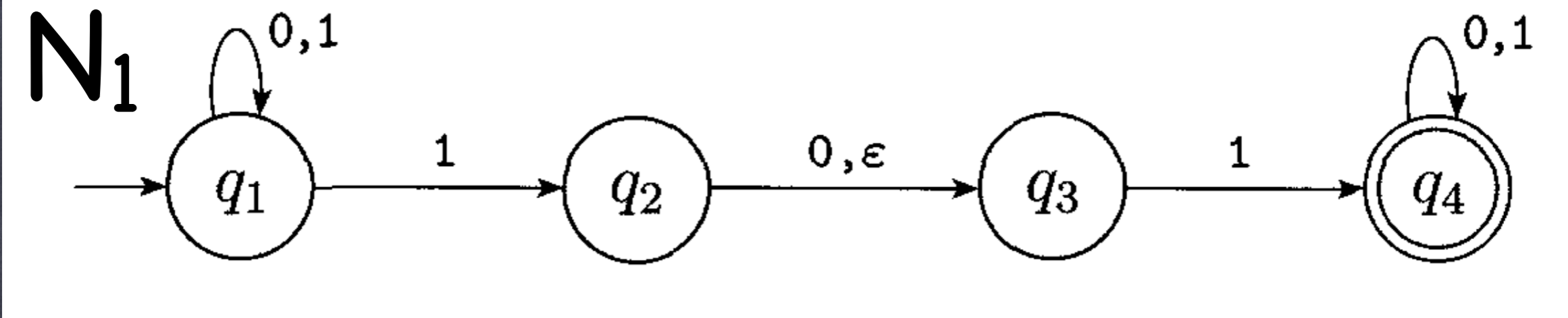


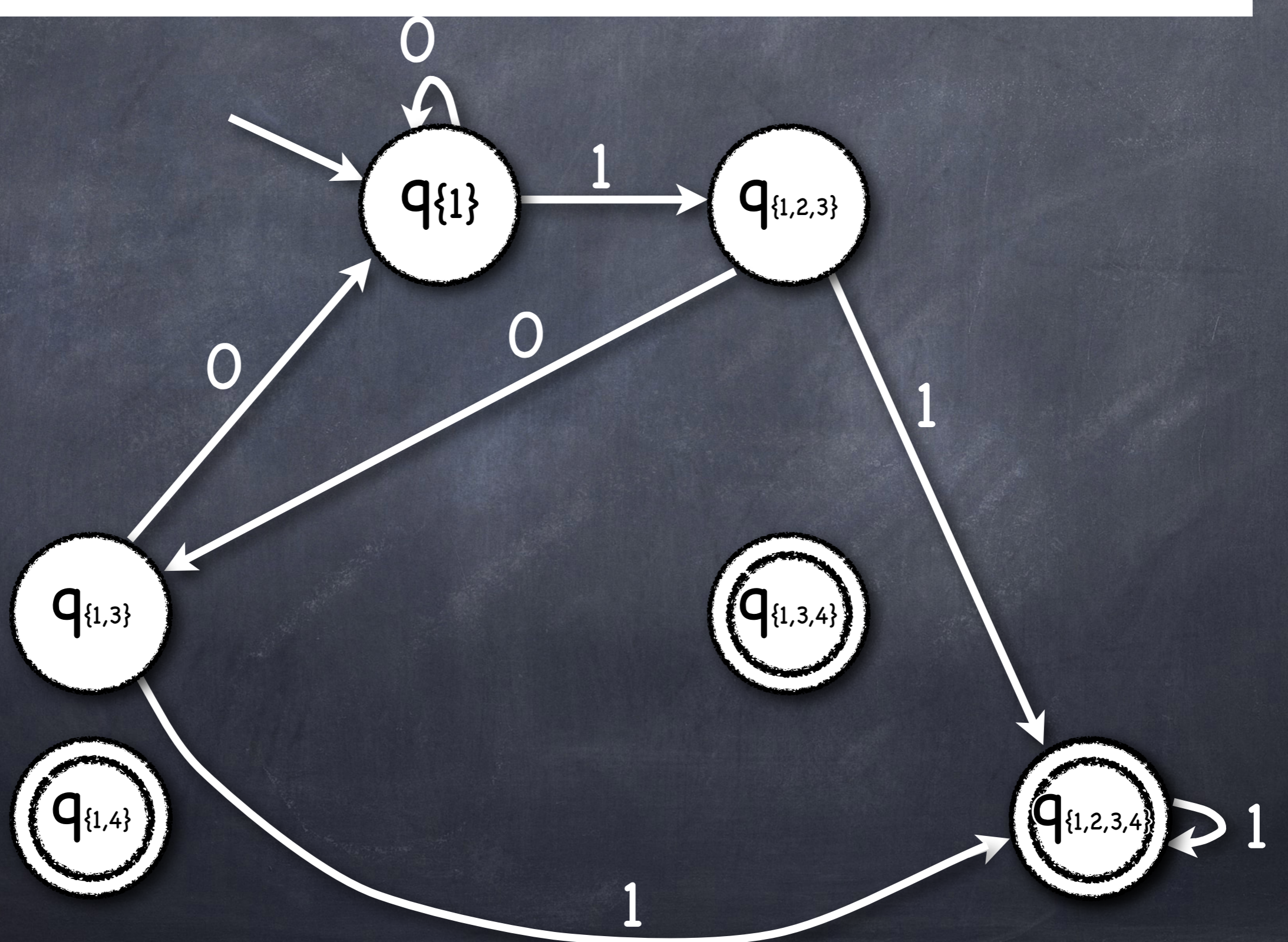
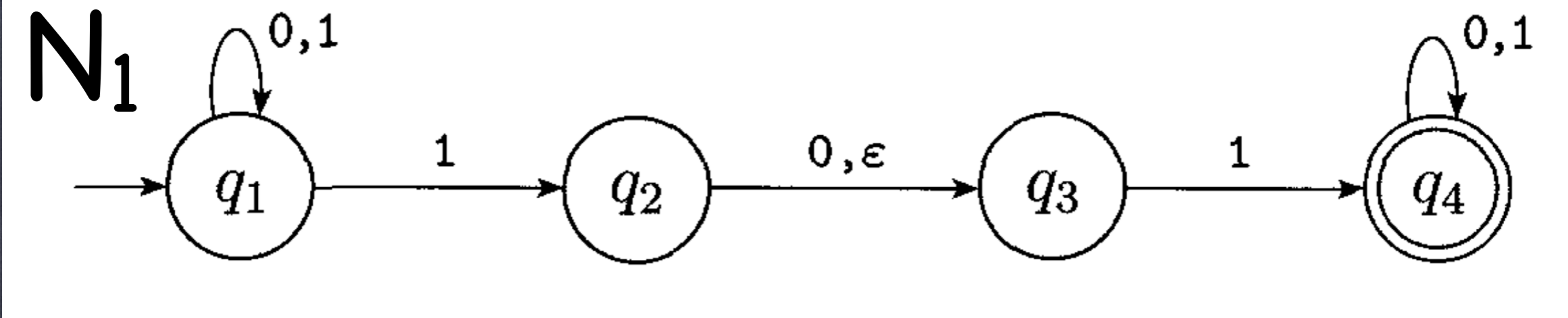


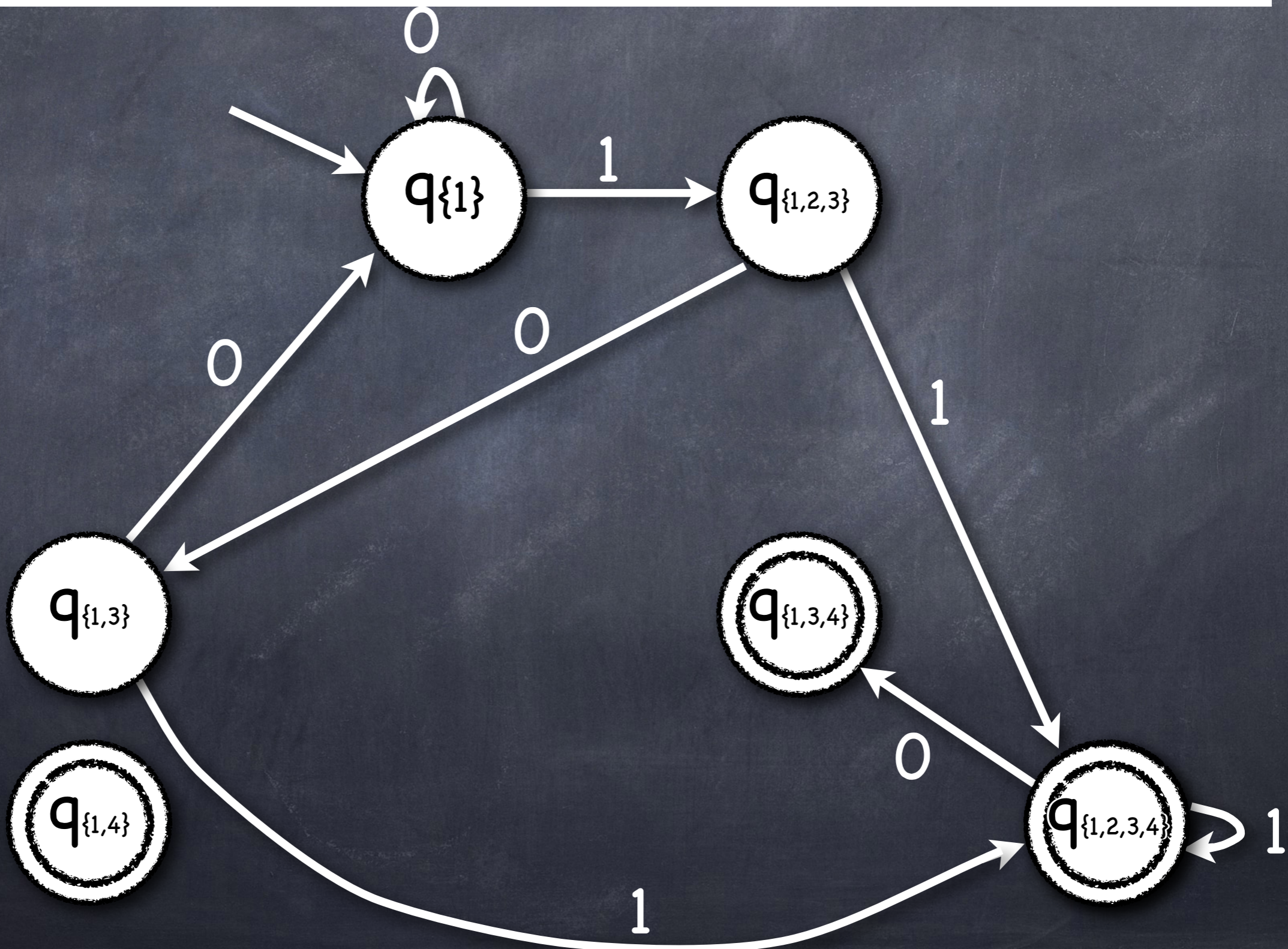
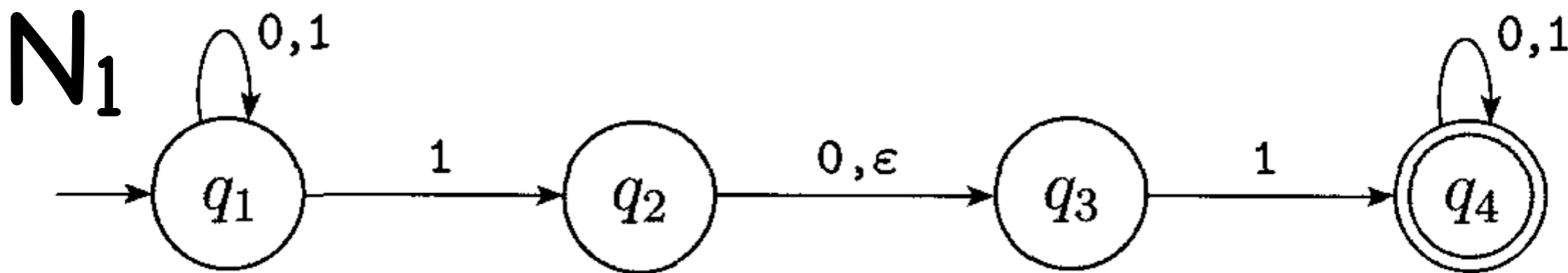


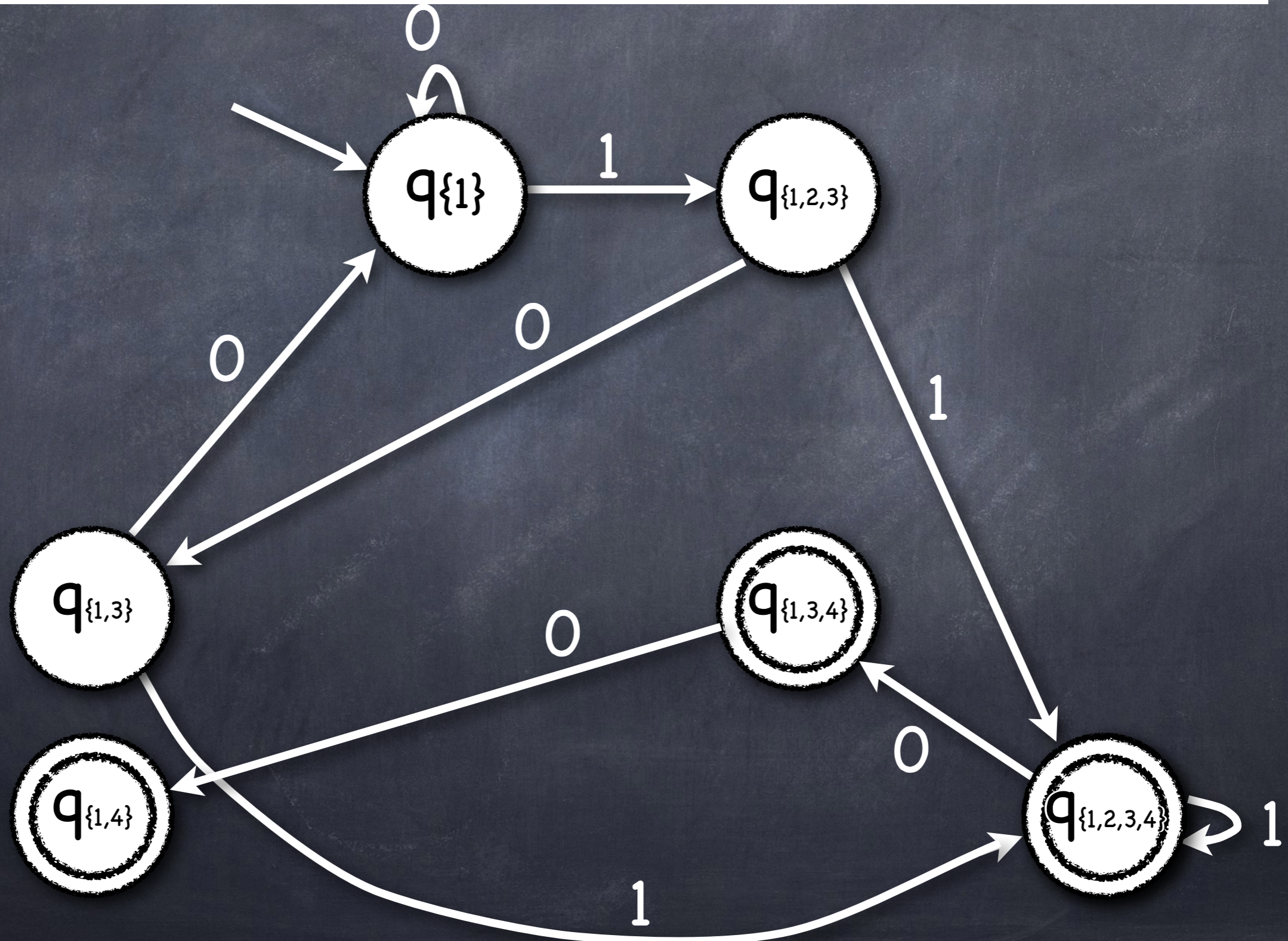
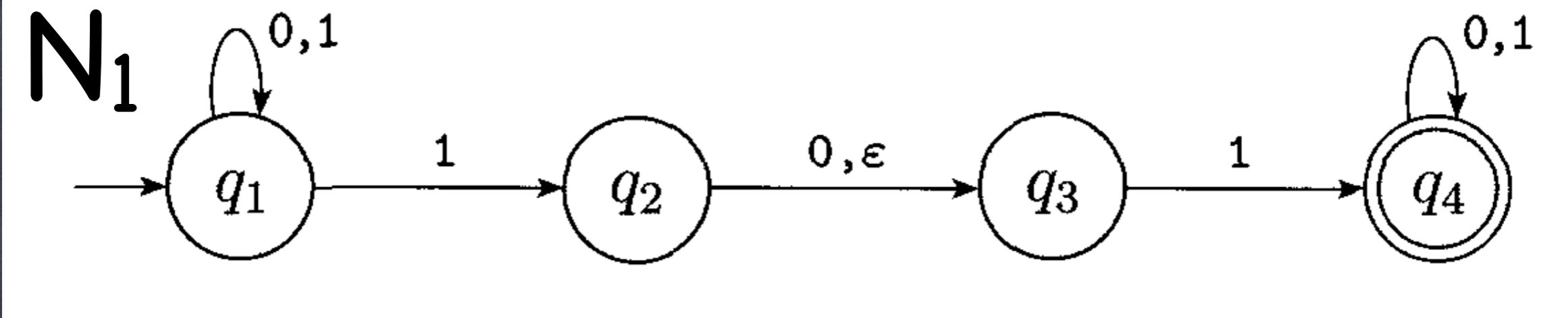


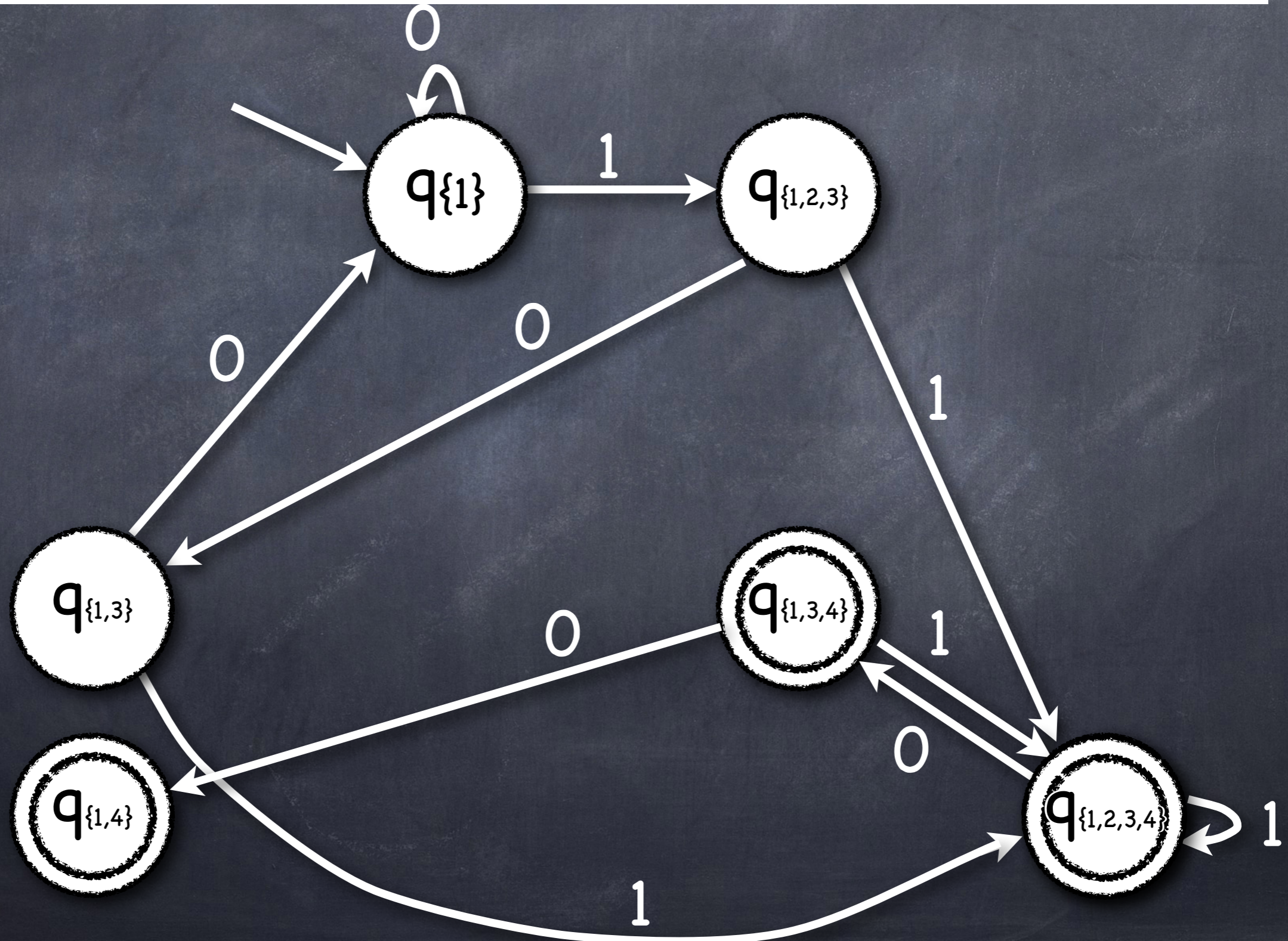
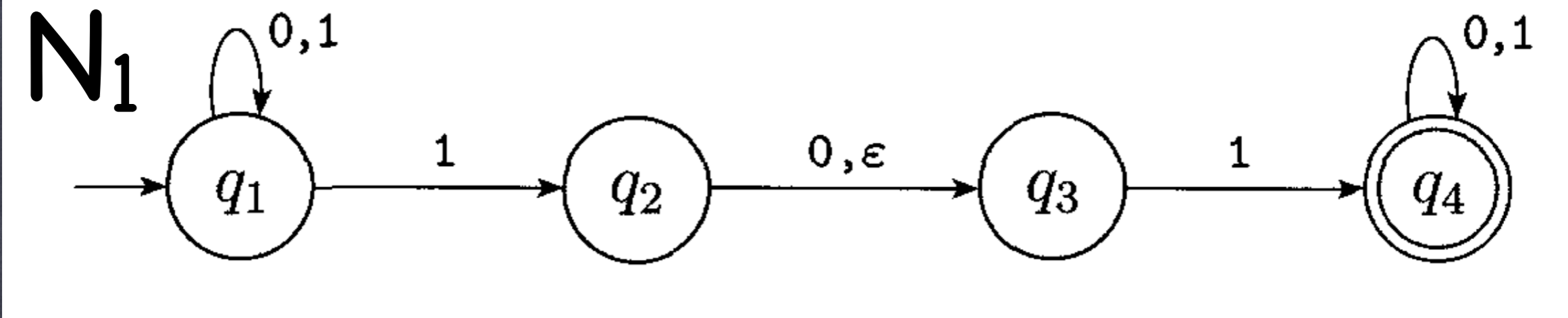


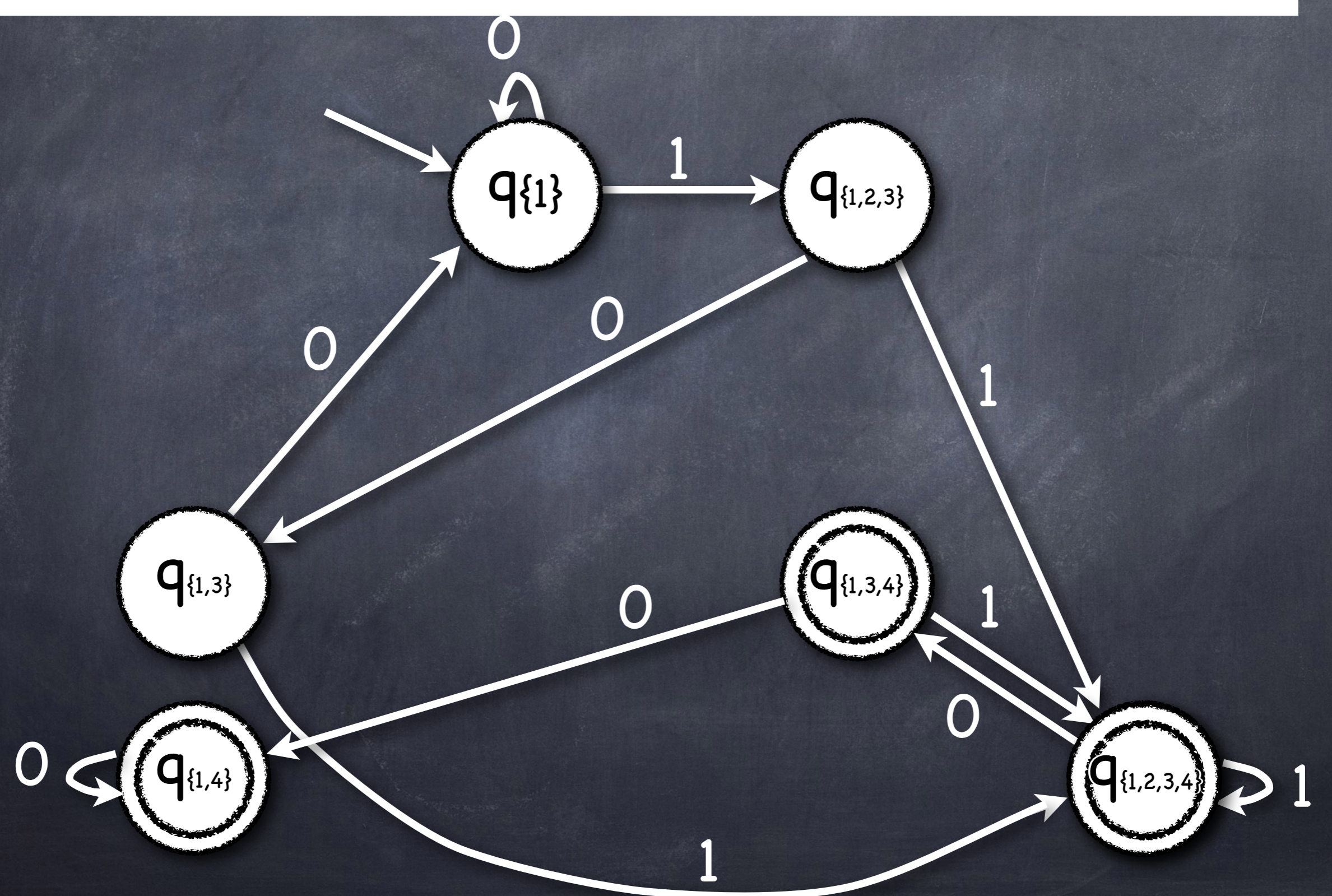
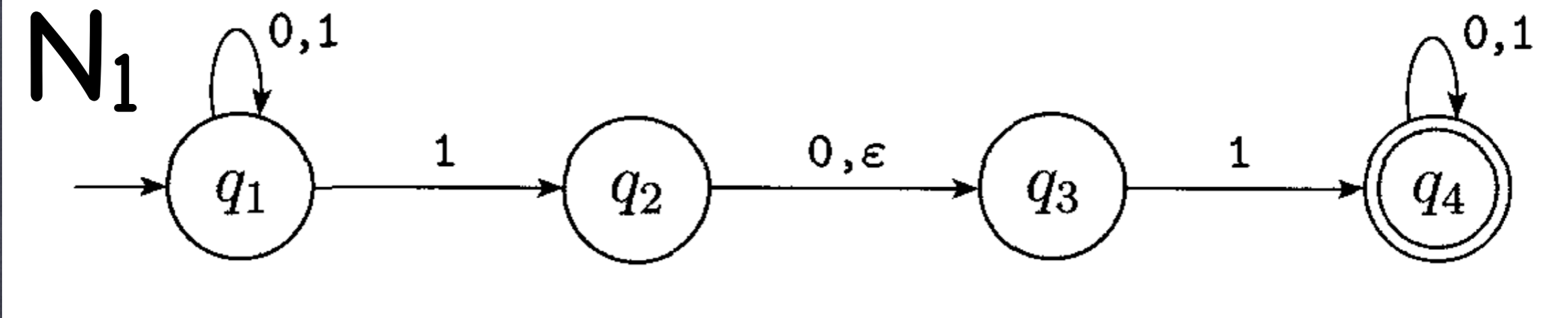


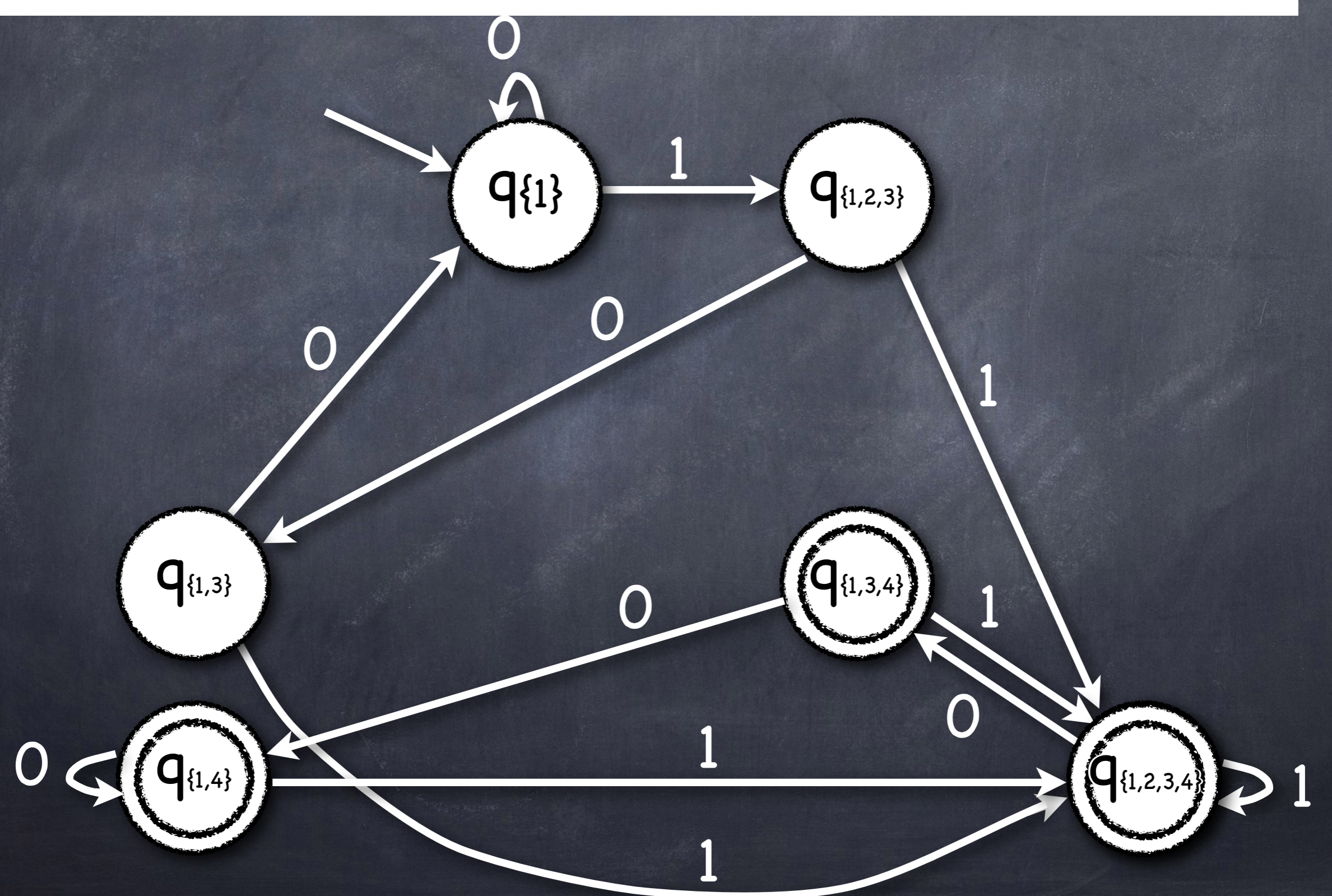
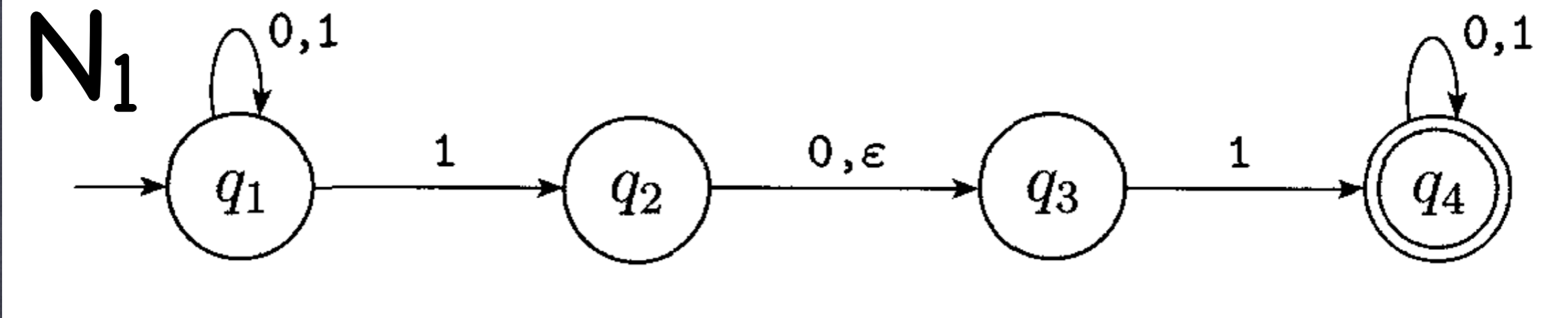


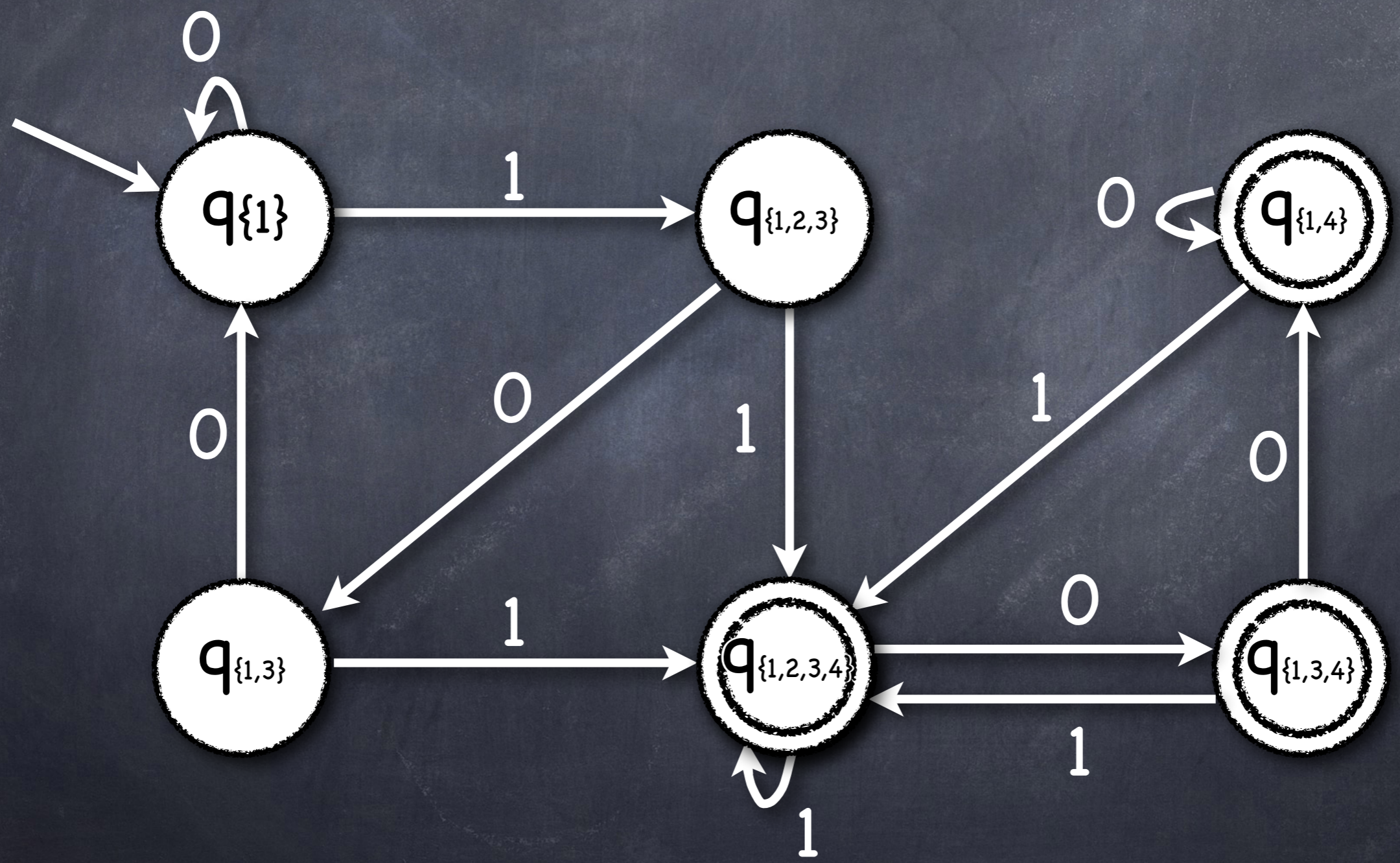
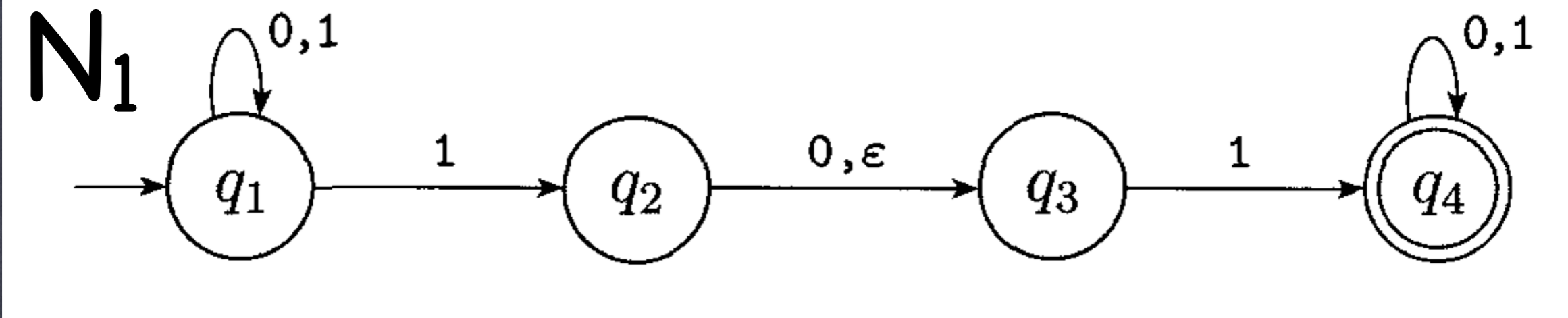












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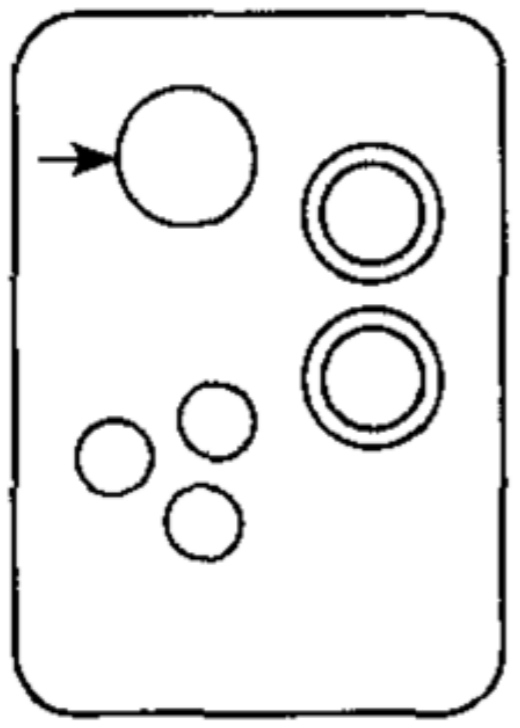
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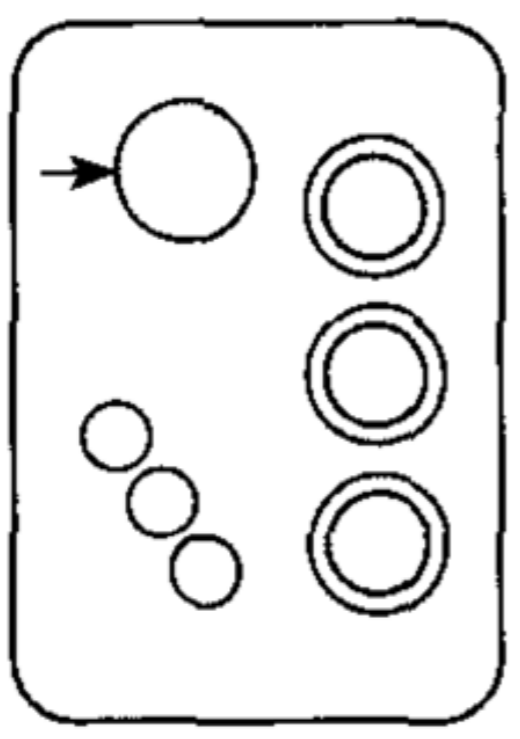
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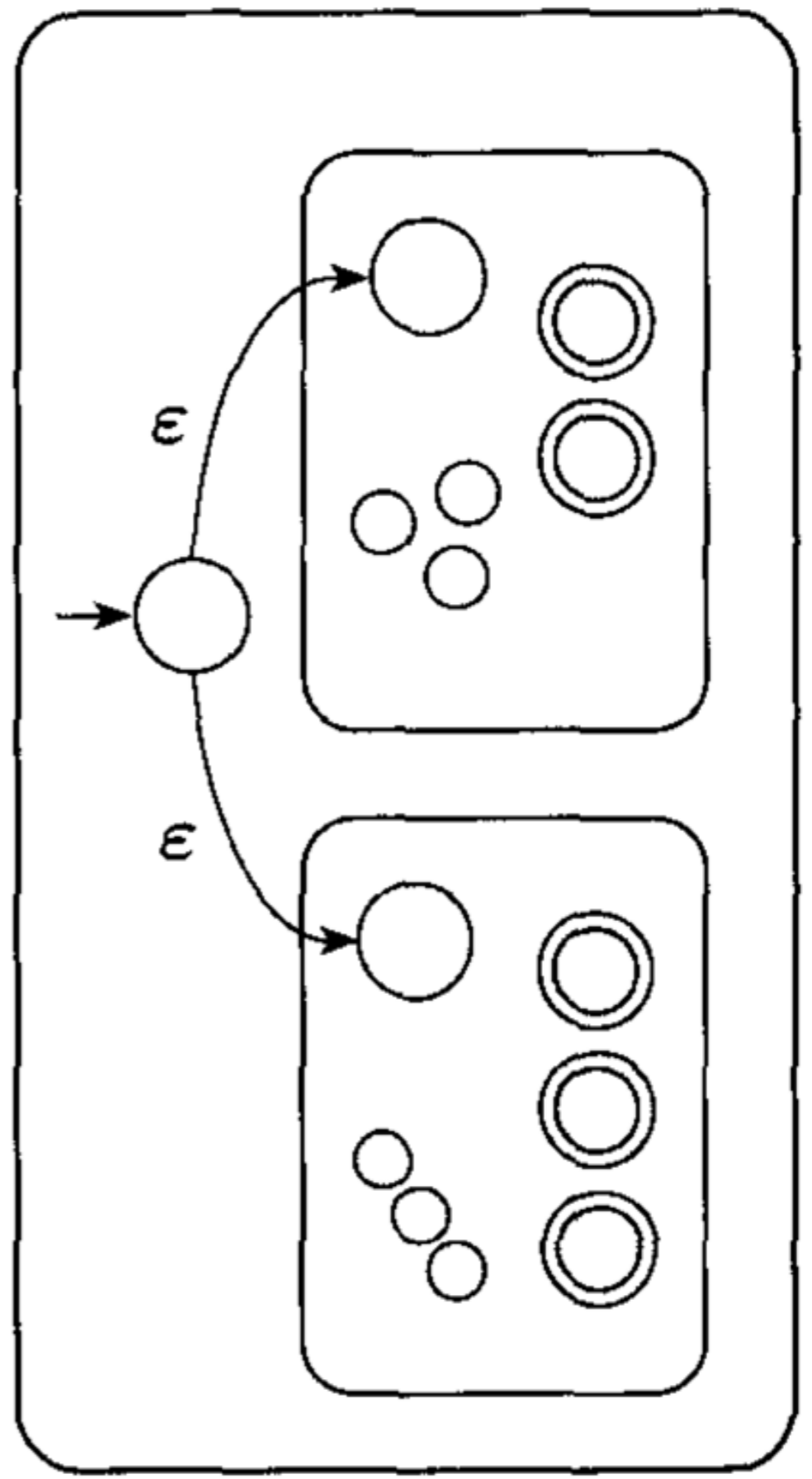
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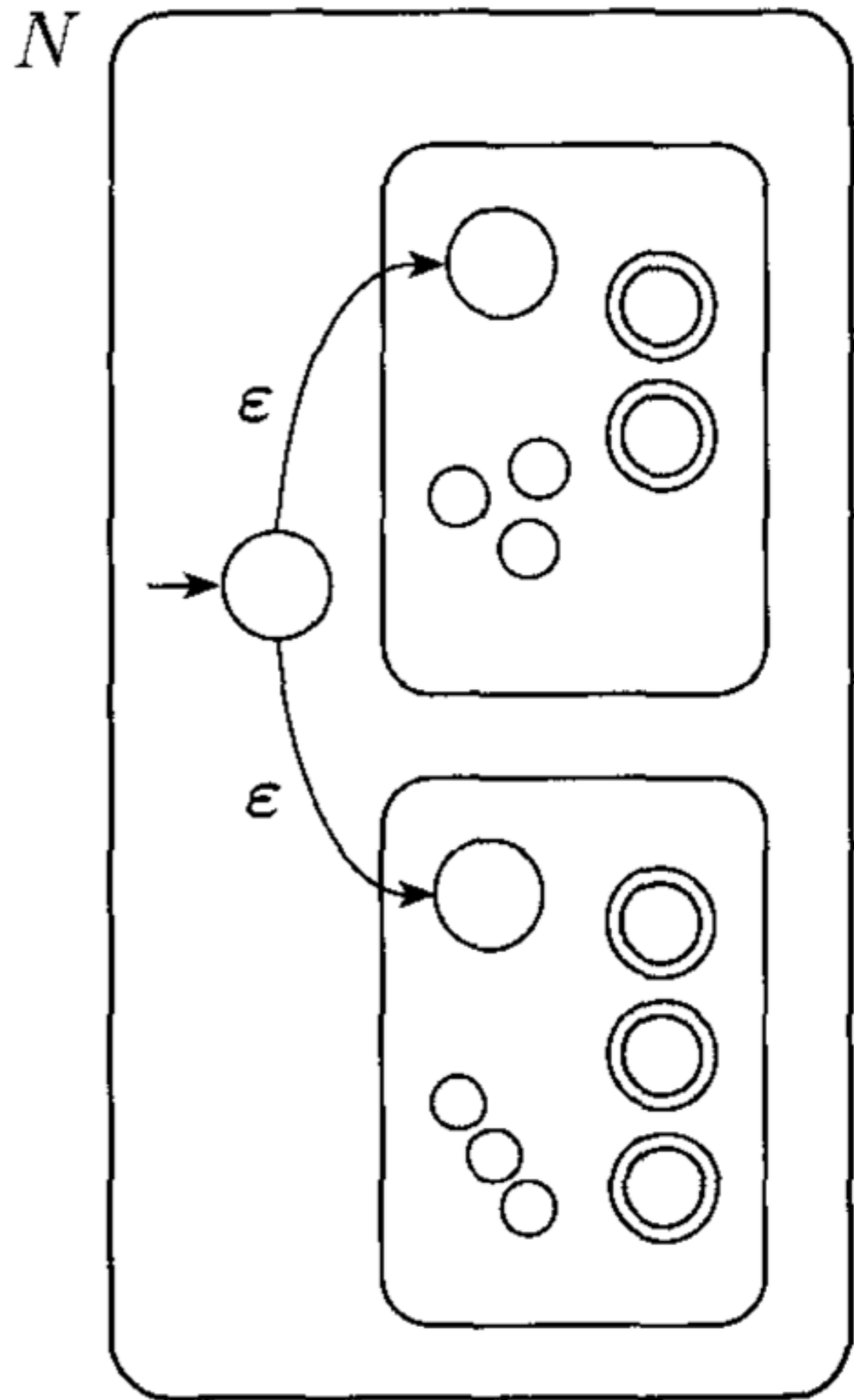
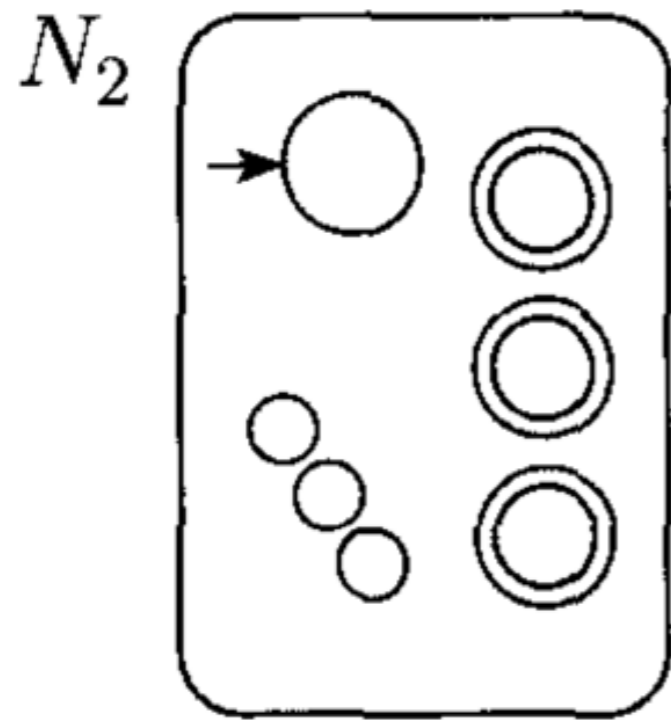
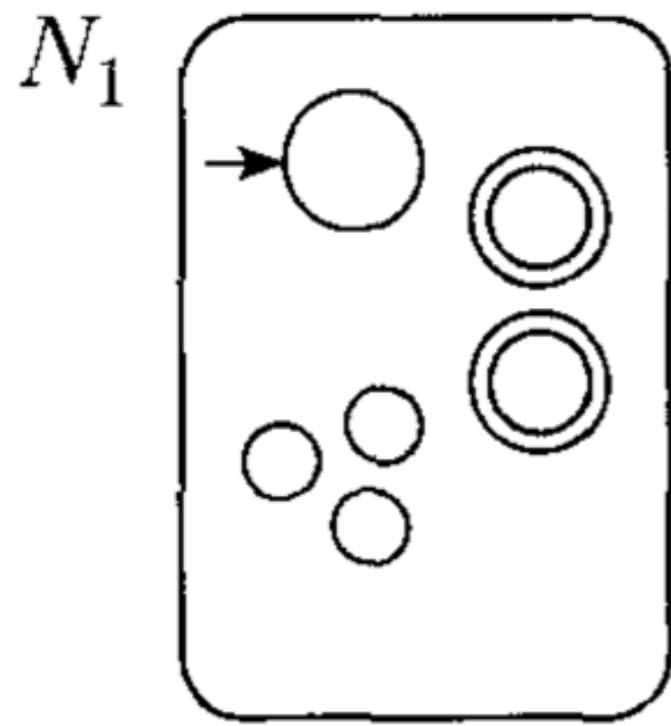


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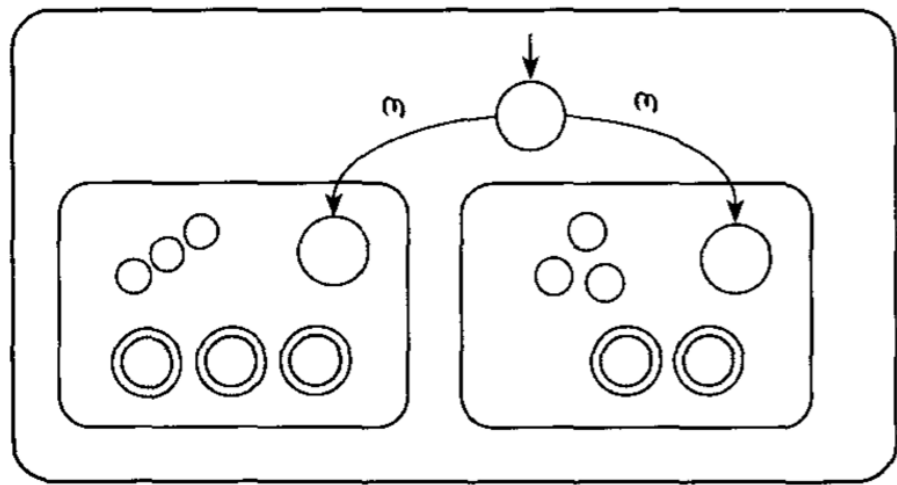
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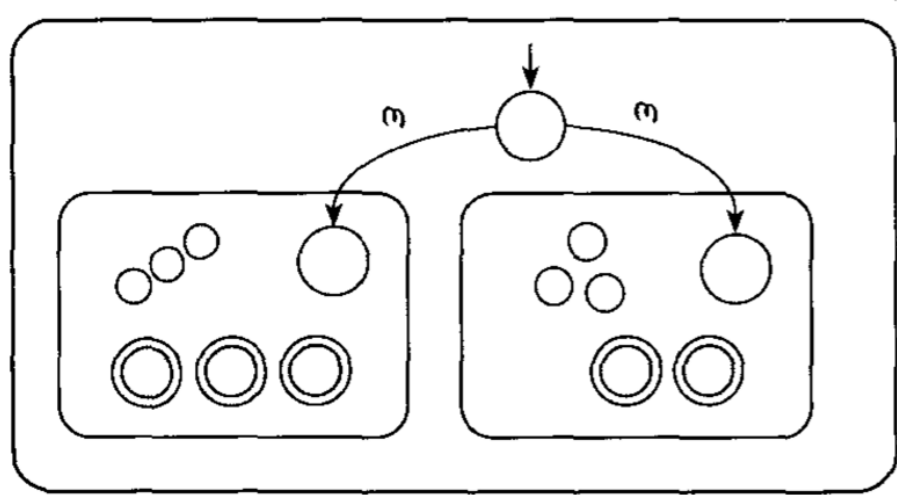


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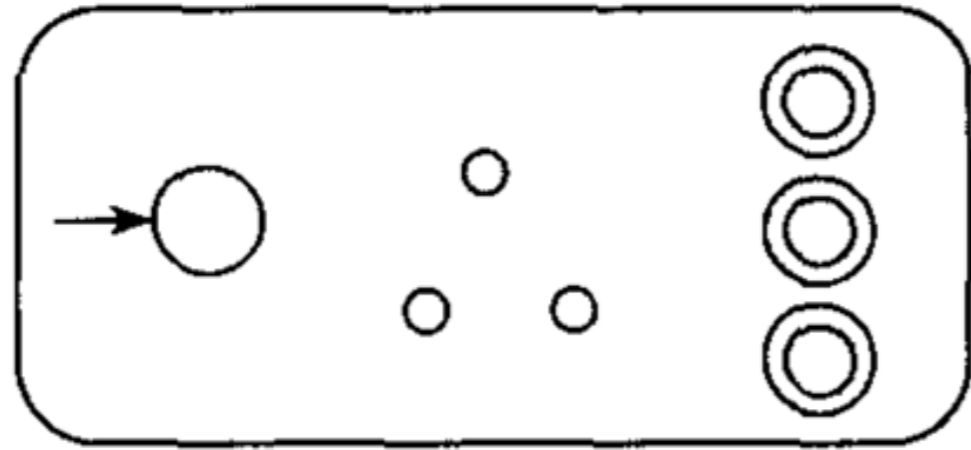
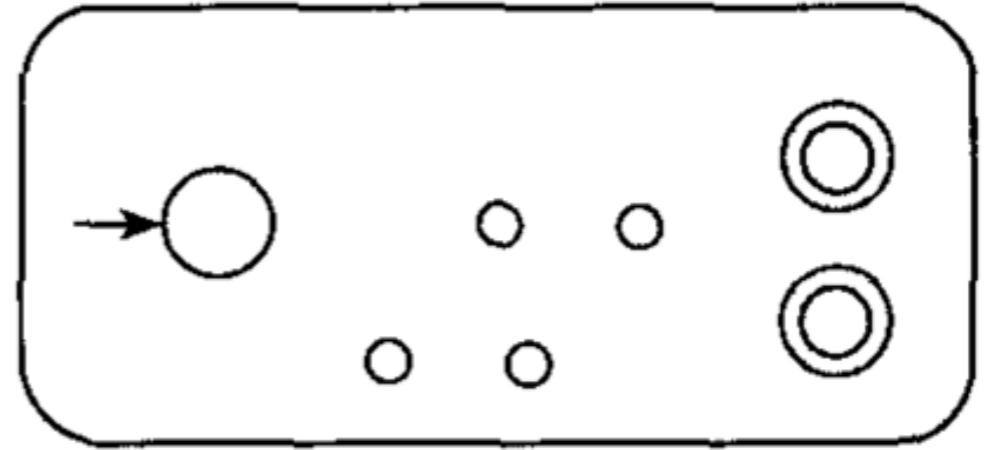
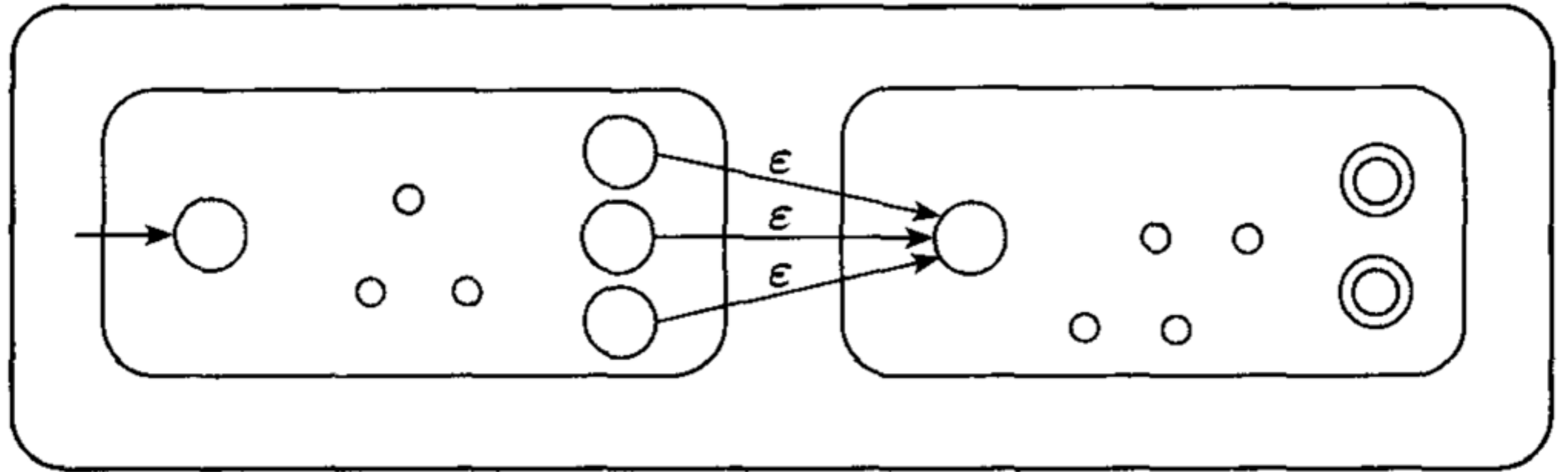
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- Consider $N_U = (\{q_0\} \cup Q_A \cup Q_B, \Sigma, \delta_U, q_0, F_U)$ where
 - $\delta_U(q_0, \epsilon) = \{q_{0A}, q_{0B}\}$, $\delta_U(q_0, a) = \emptyset$ for all $a \neq \epsilon$,
 - $\delta_U(q, a) = \delta_X(q, a)$ for all $q \in Q_X$, $X \in \{A, B\}$, and all a ,
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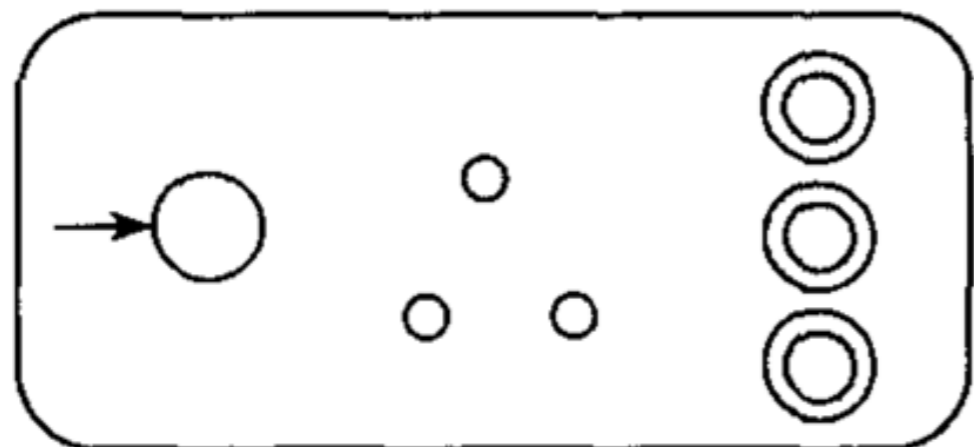
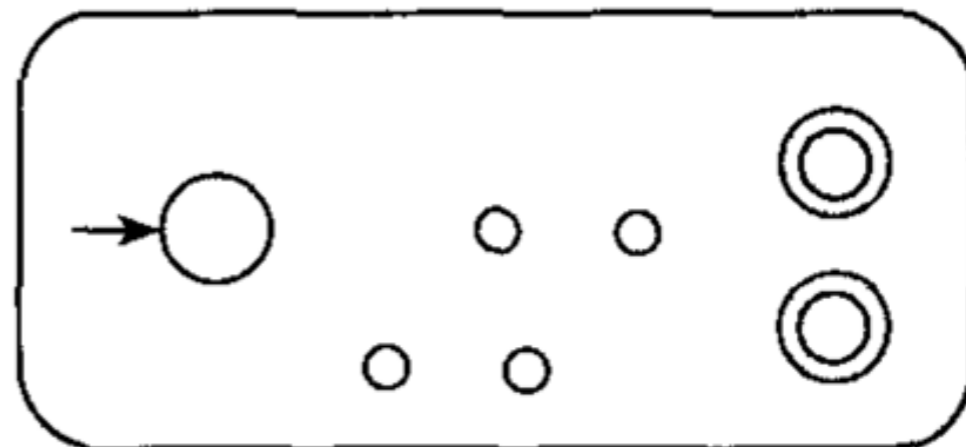
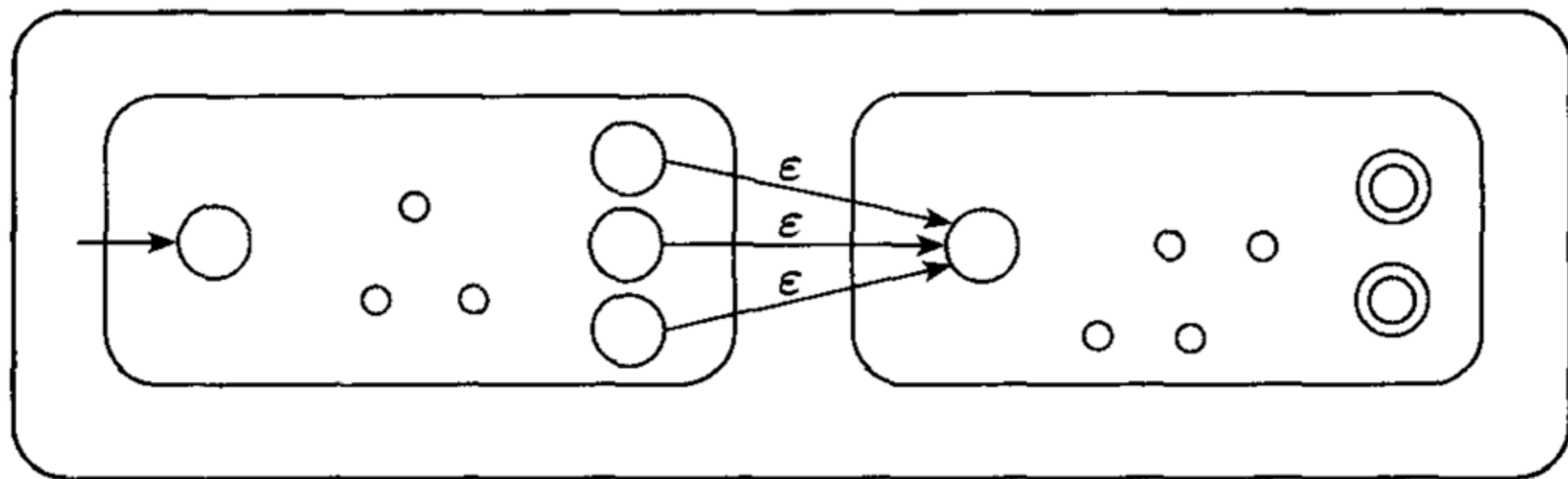
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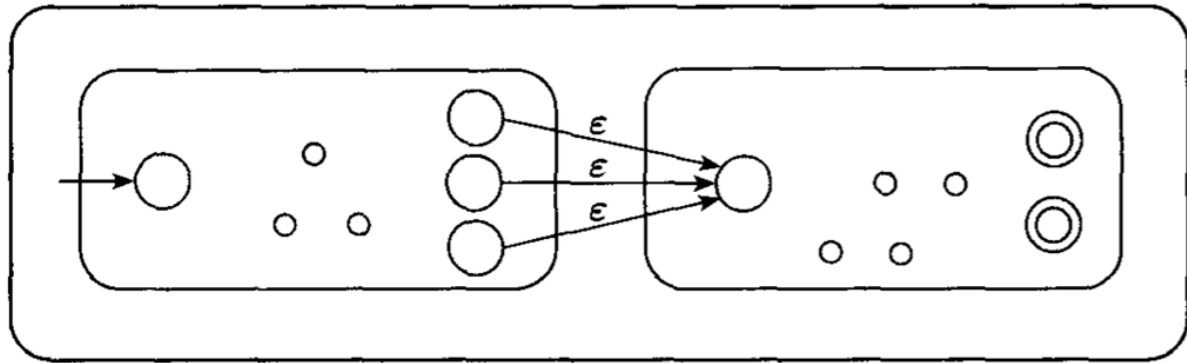
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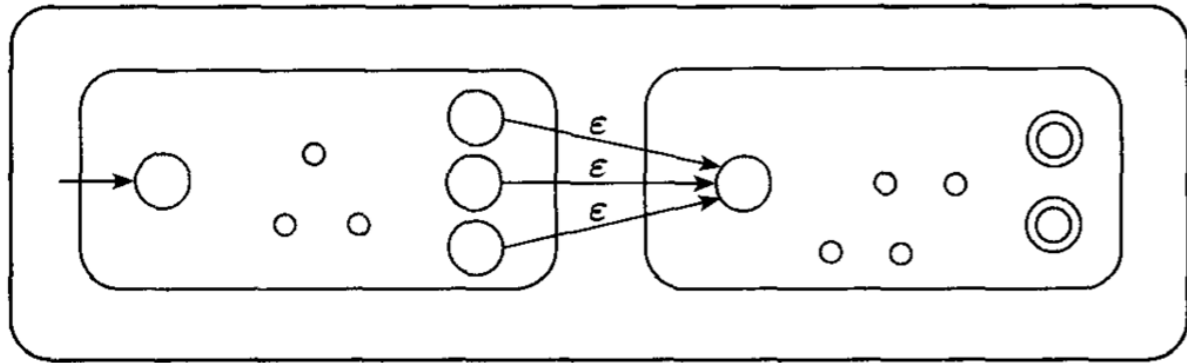
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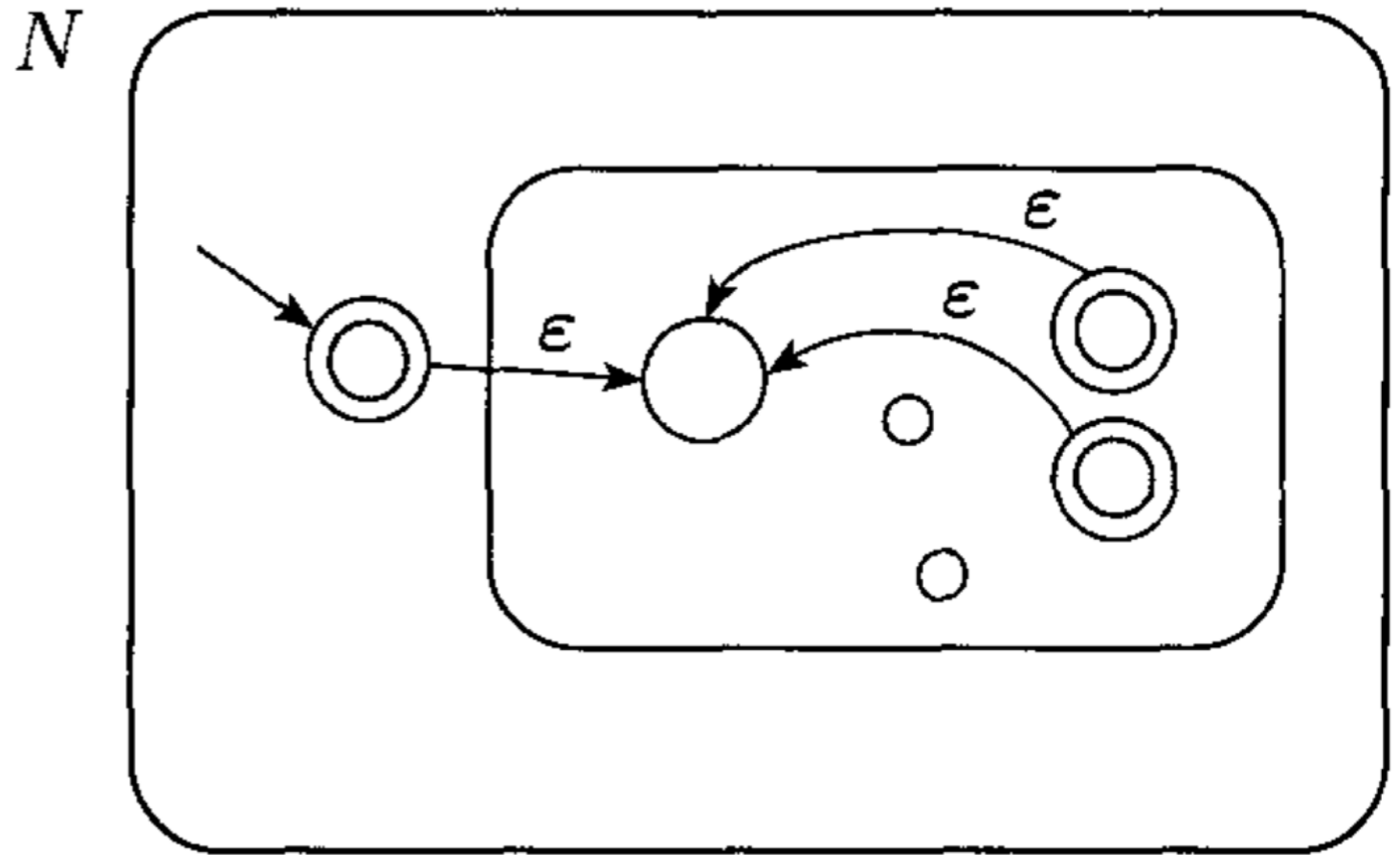
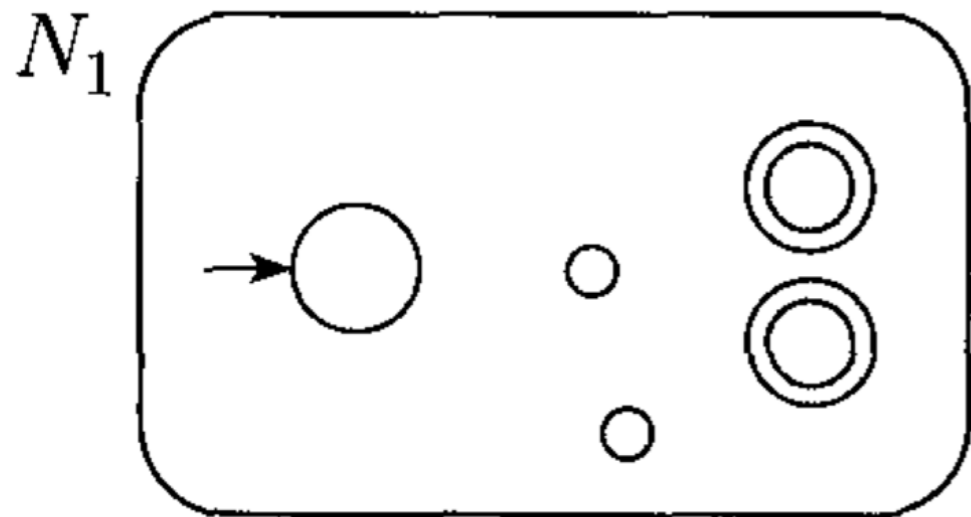
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 - $\delta_C(q, \epsilon) = \delta_A(q, \epsilon)$ for all $q \in Q_A \setminus F_A$,
 - $\delta_C(q, \epsilon) = \delta_A(q, \epsilon) \cup \{q_{0B}\}$ for all $q \in F_A$.
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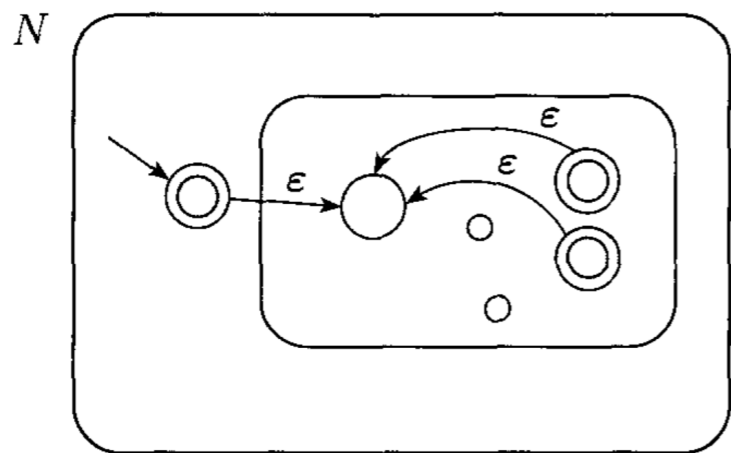
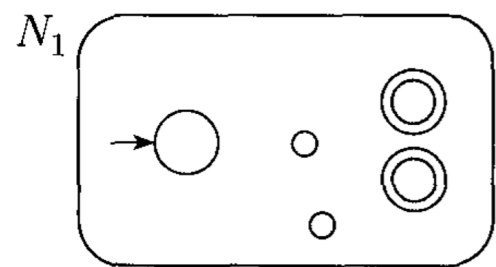
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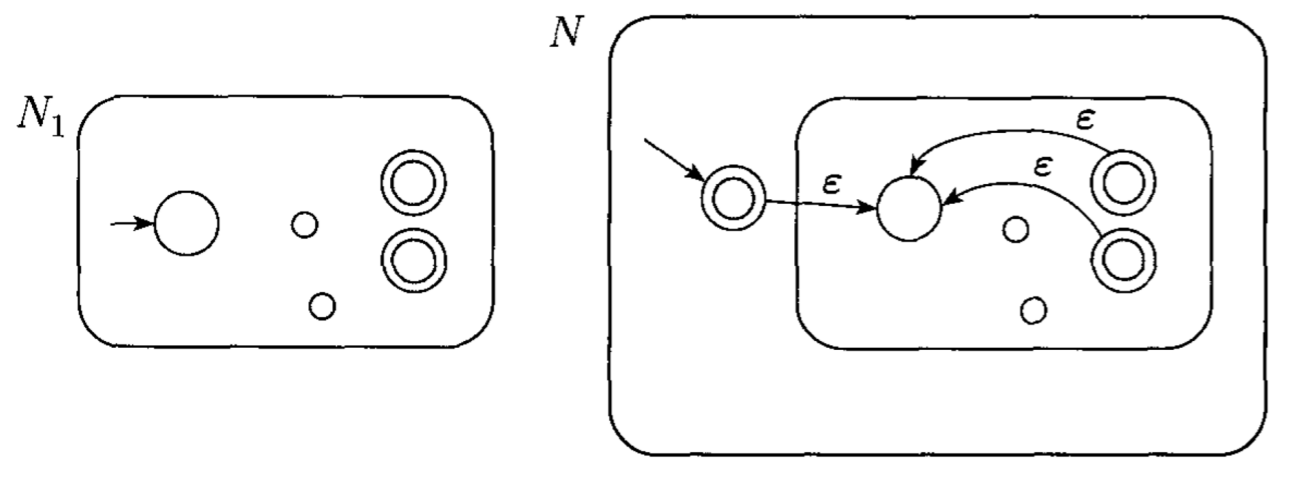


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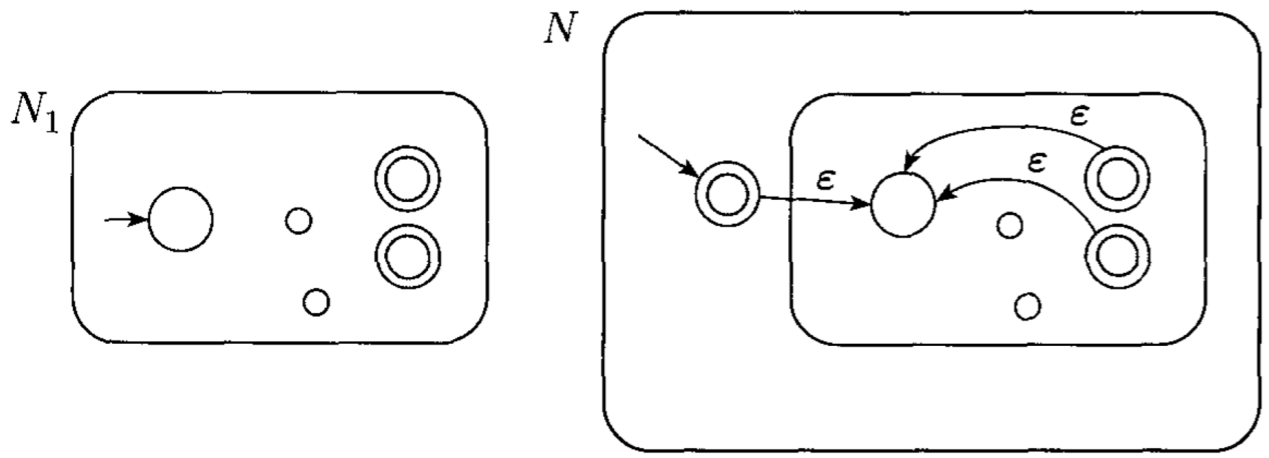


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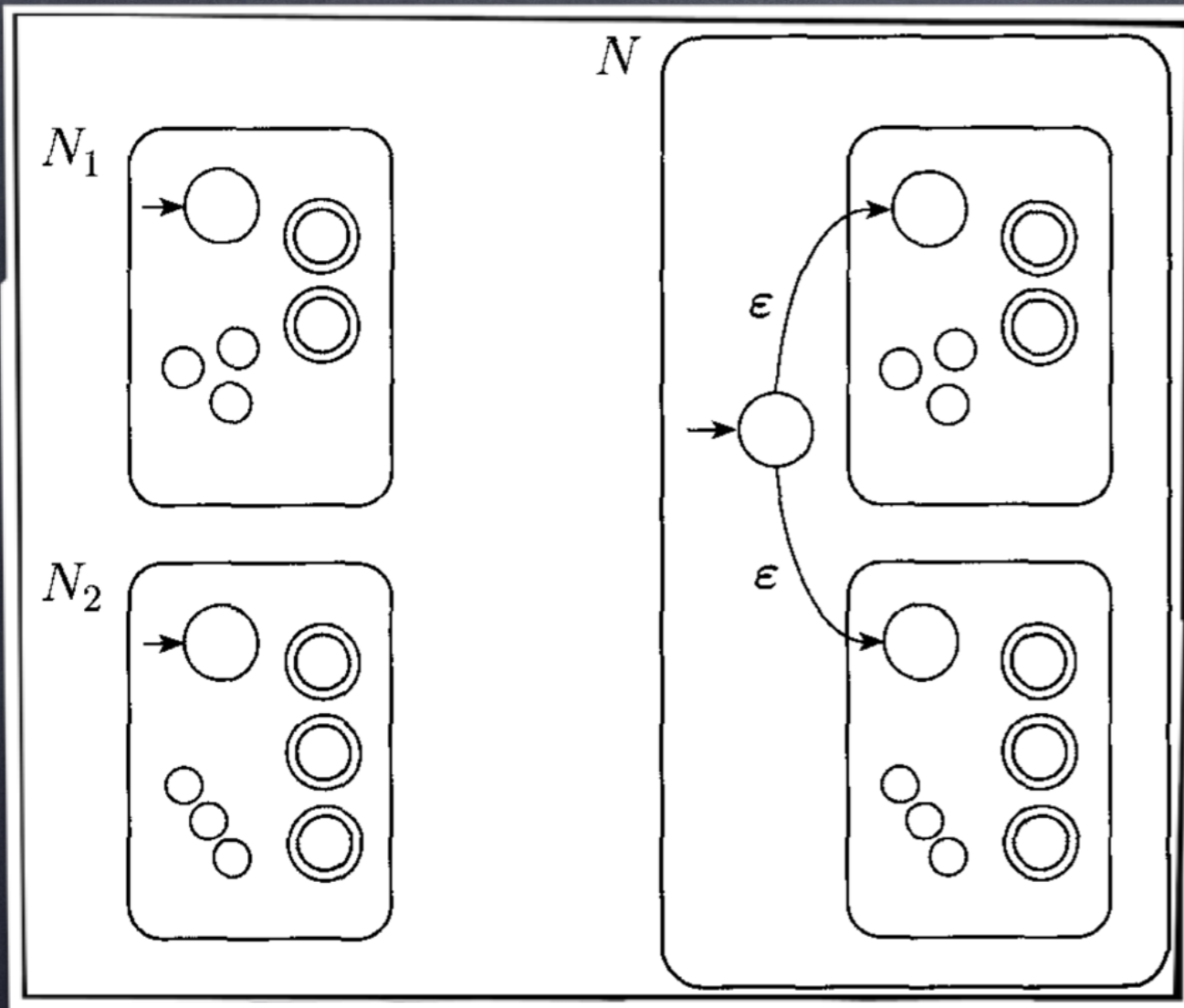


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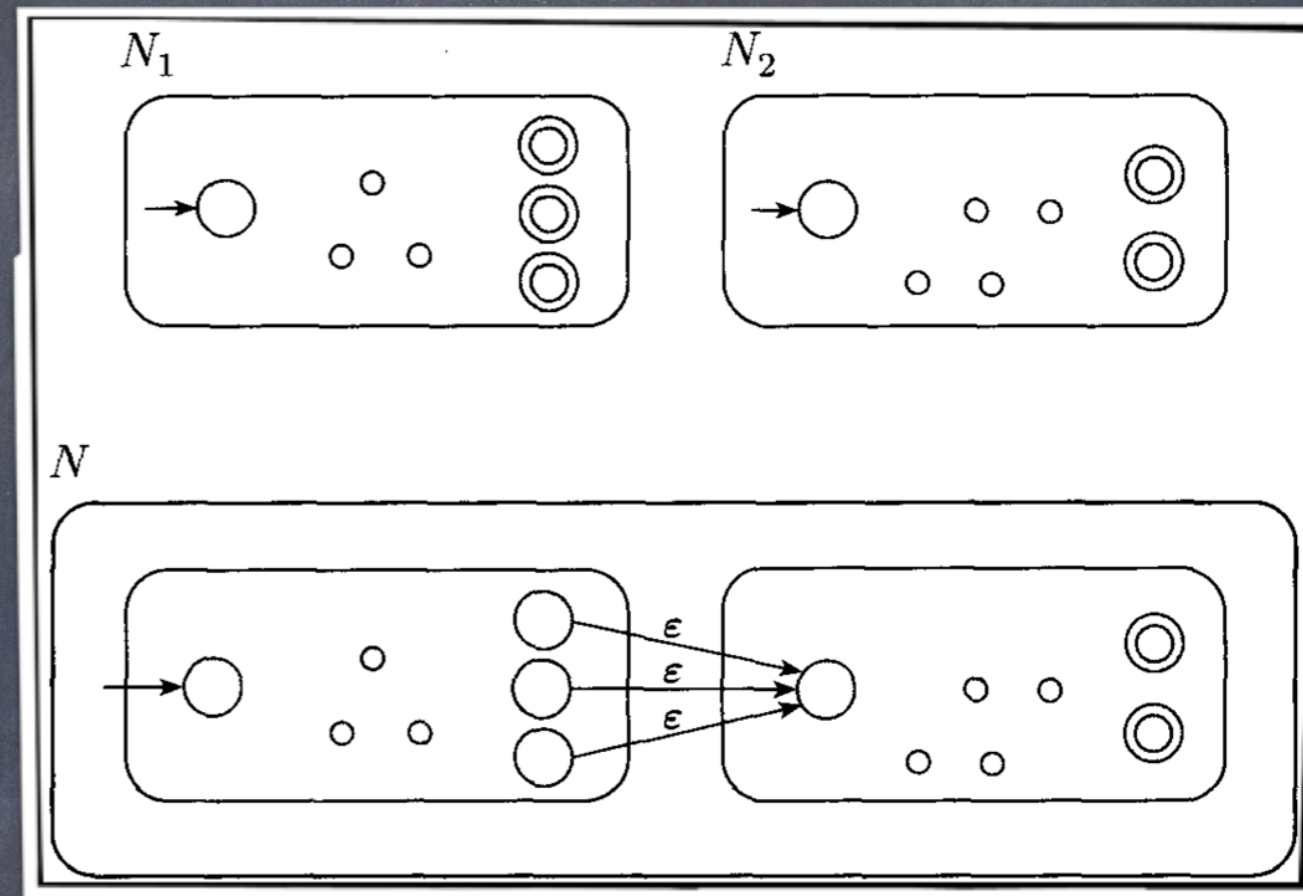
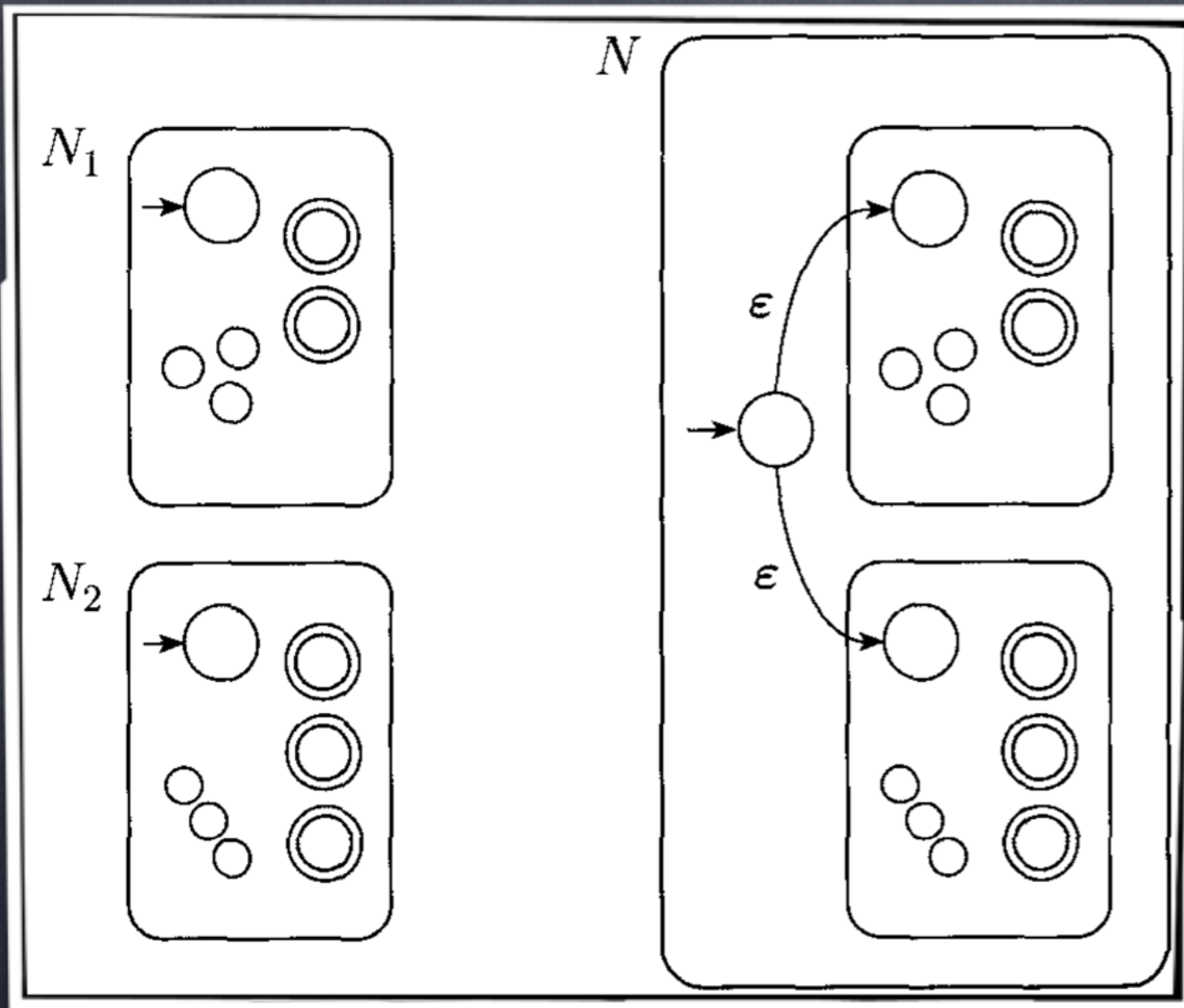
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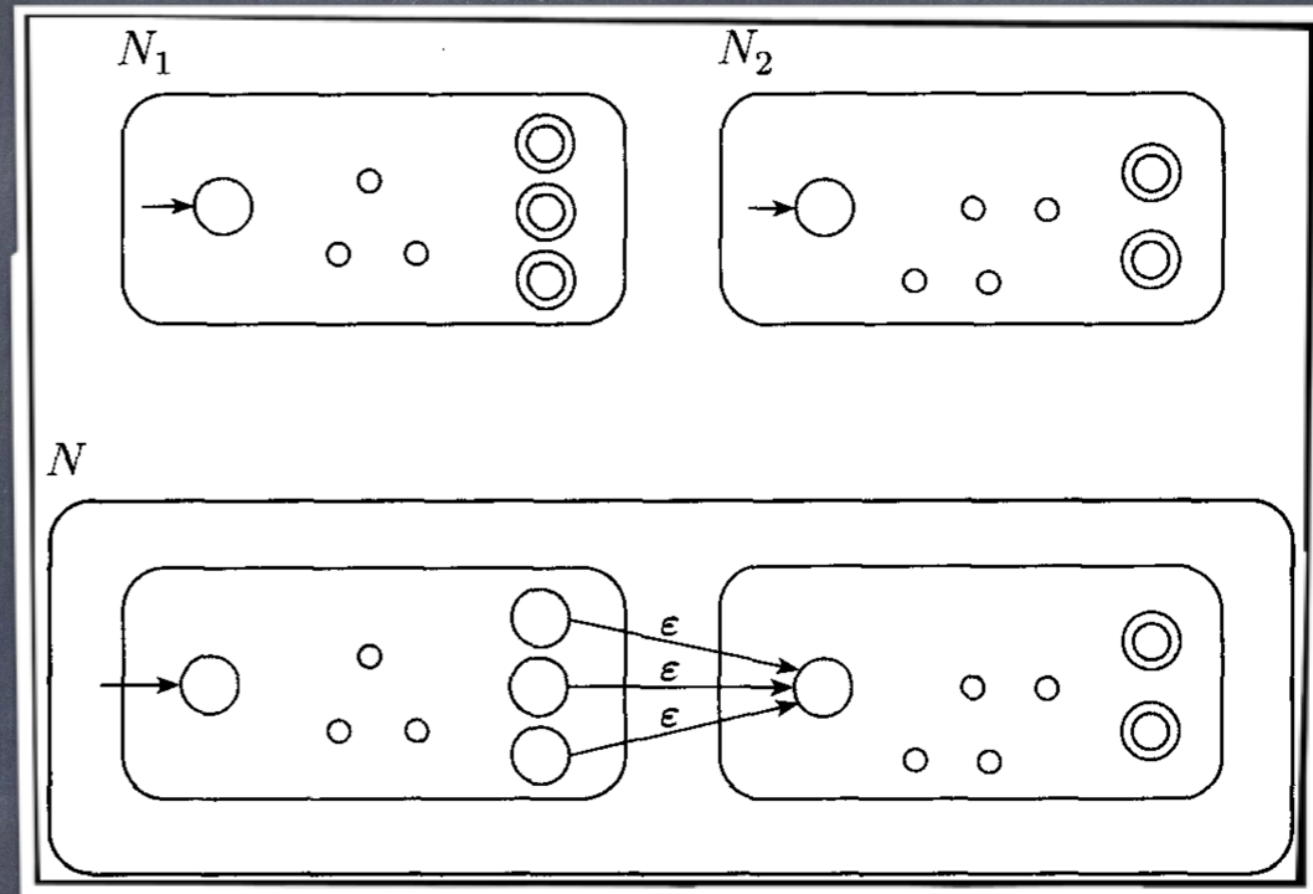
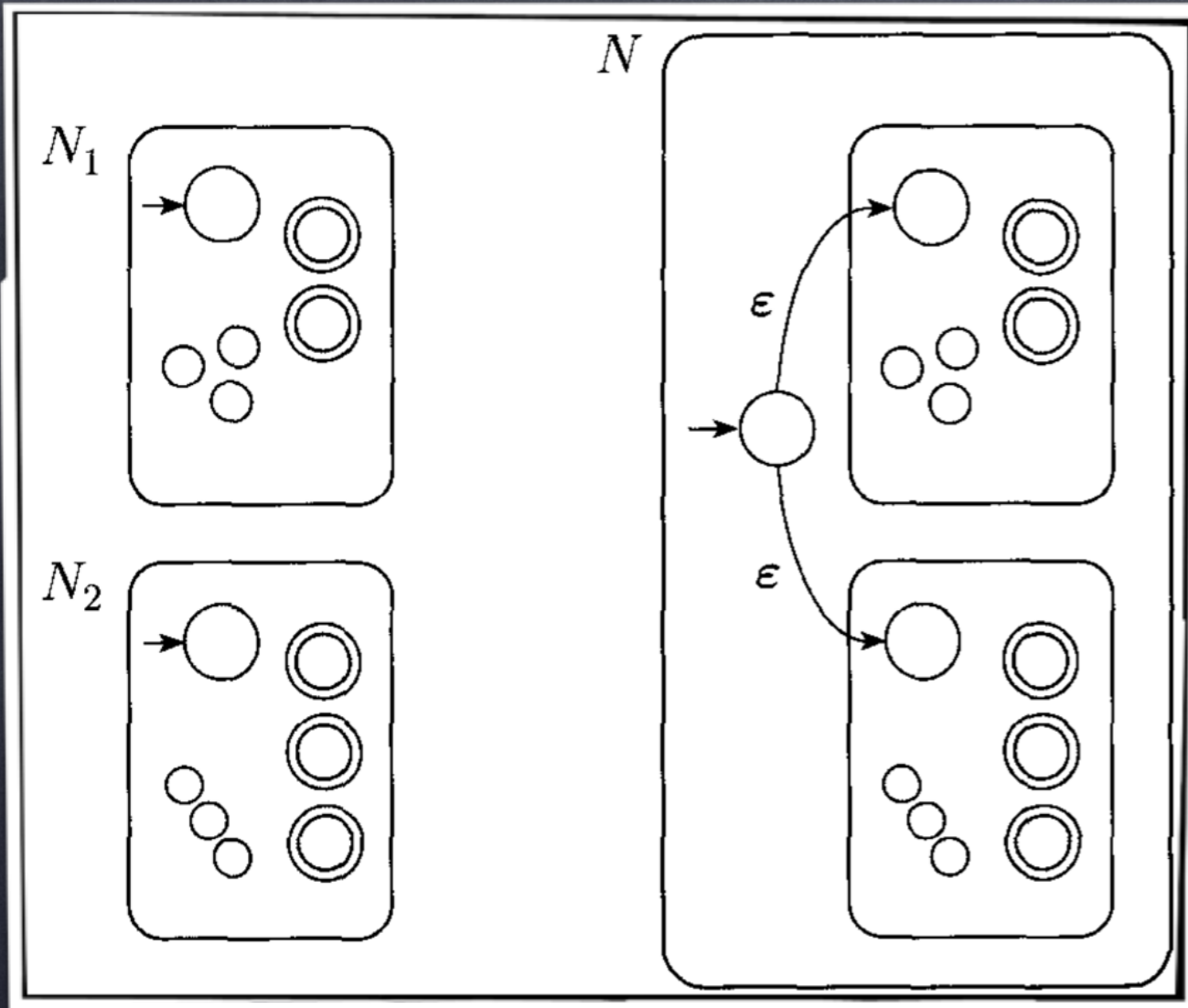
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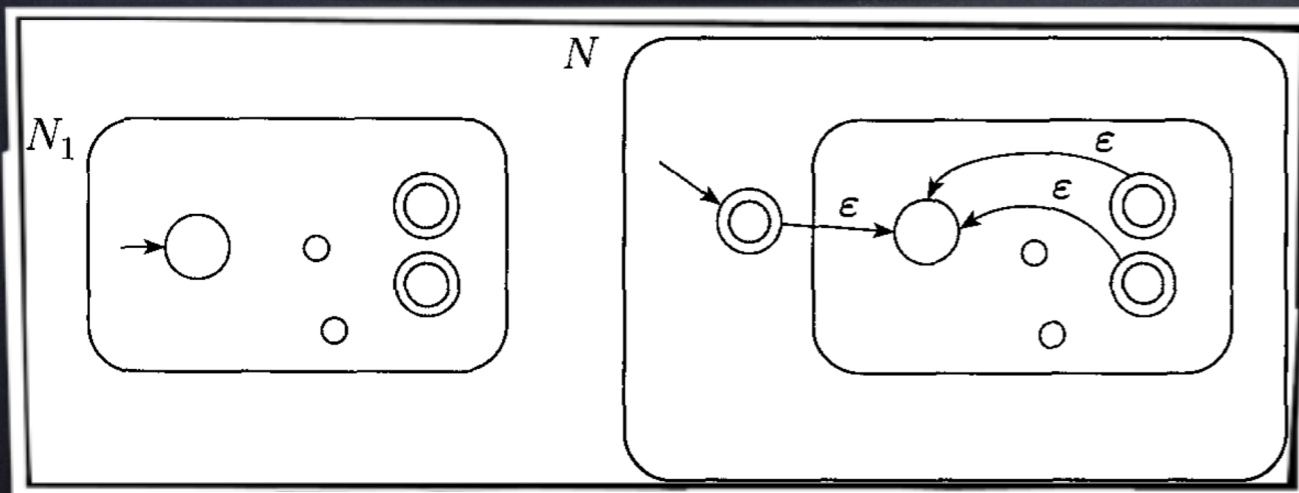
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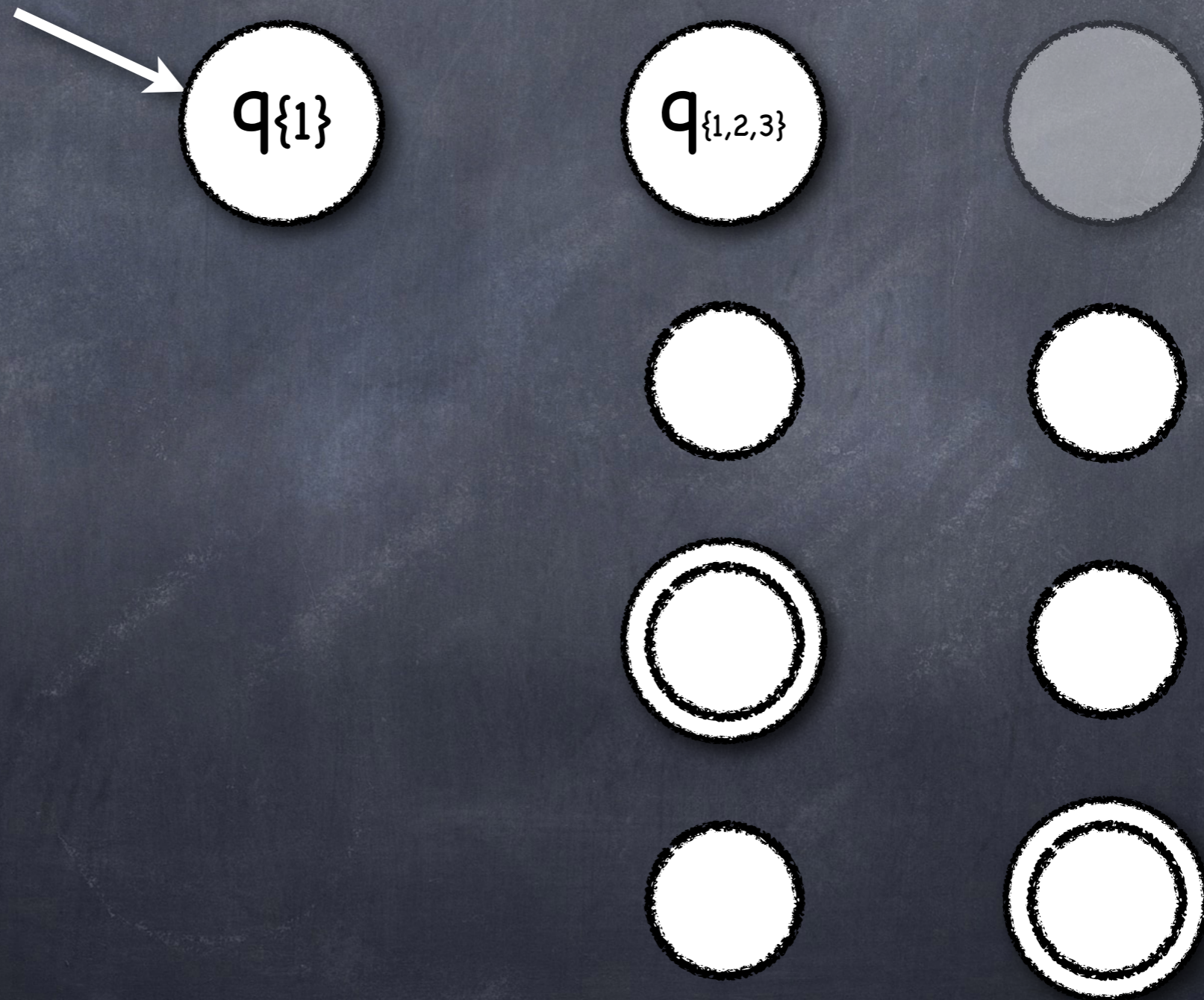
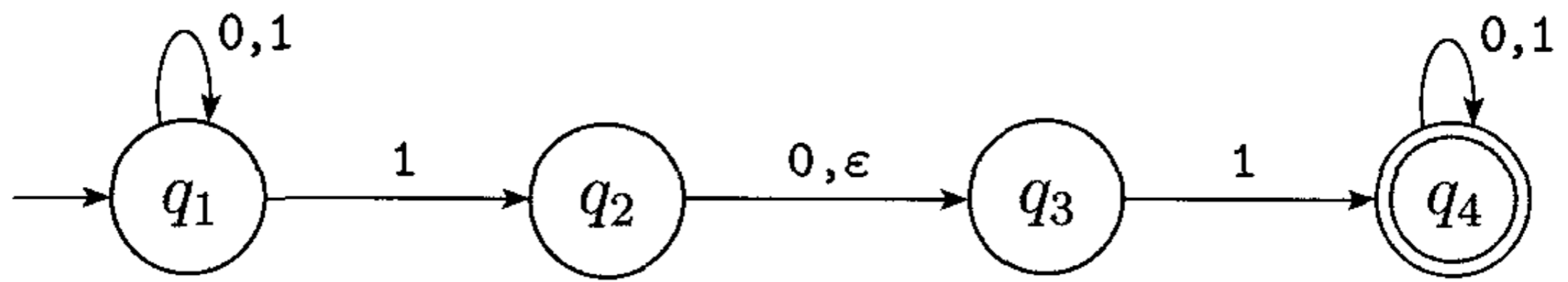
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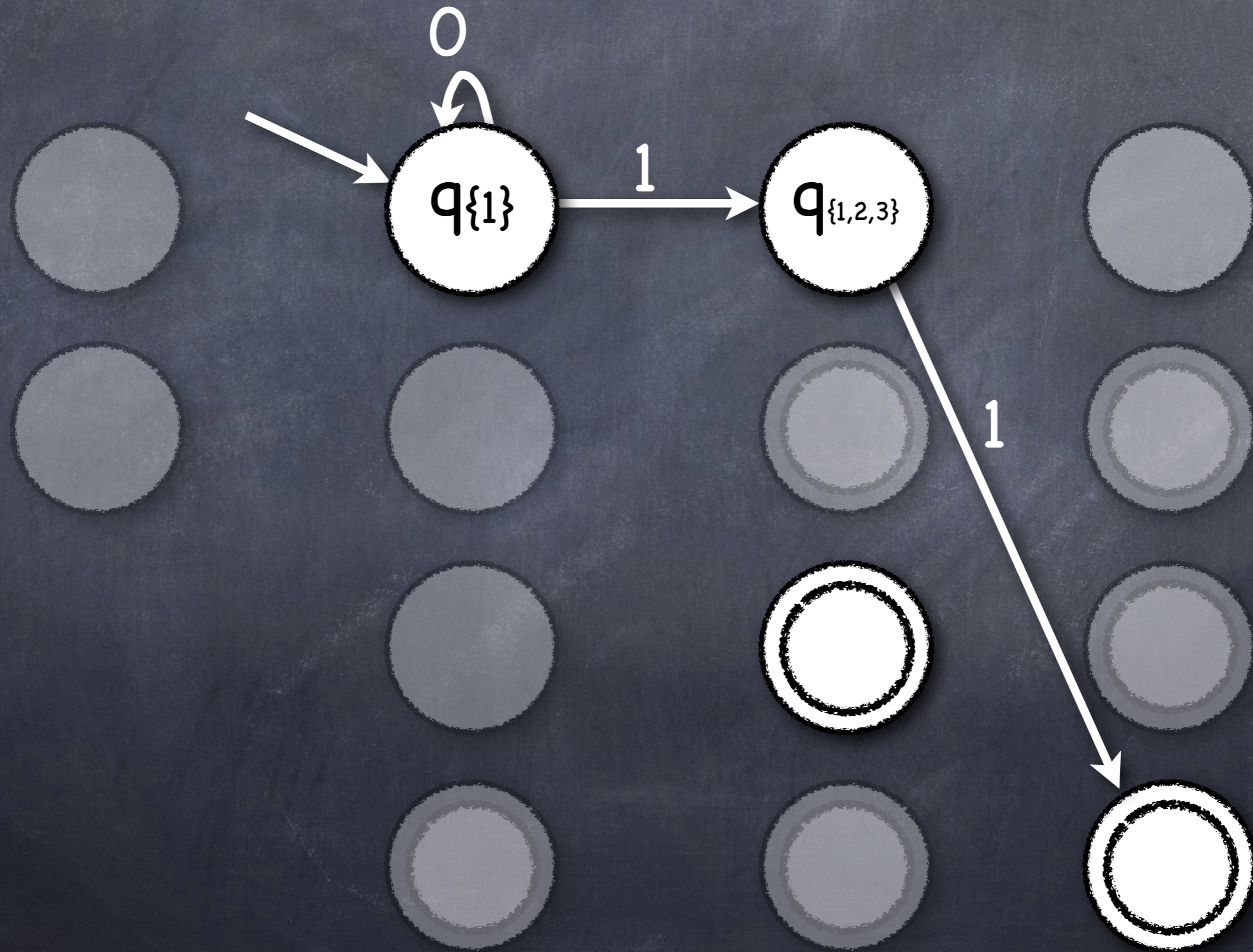


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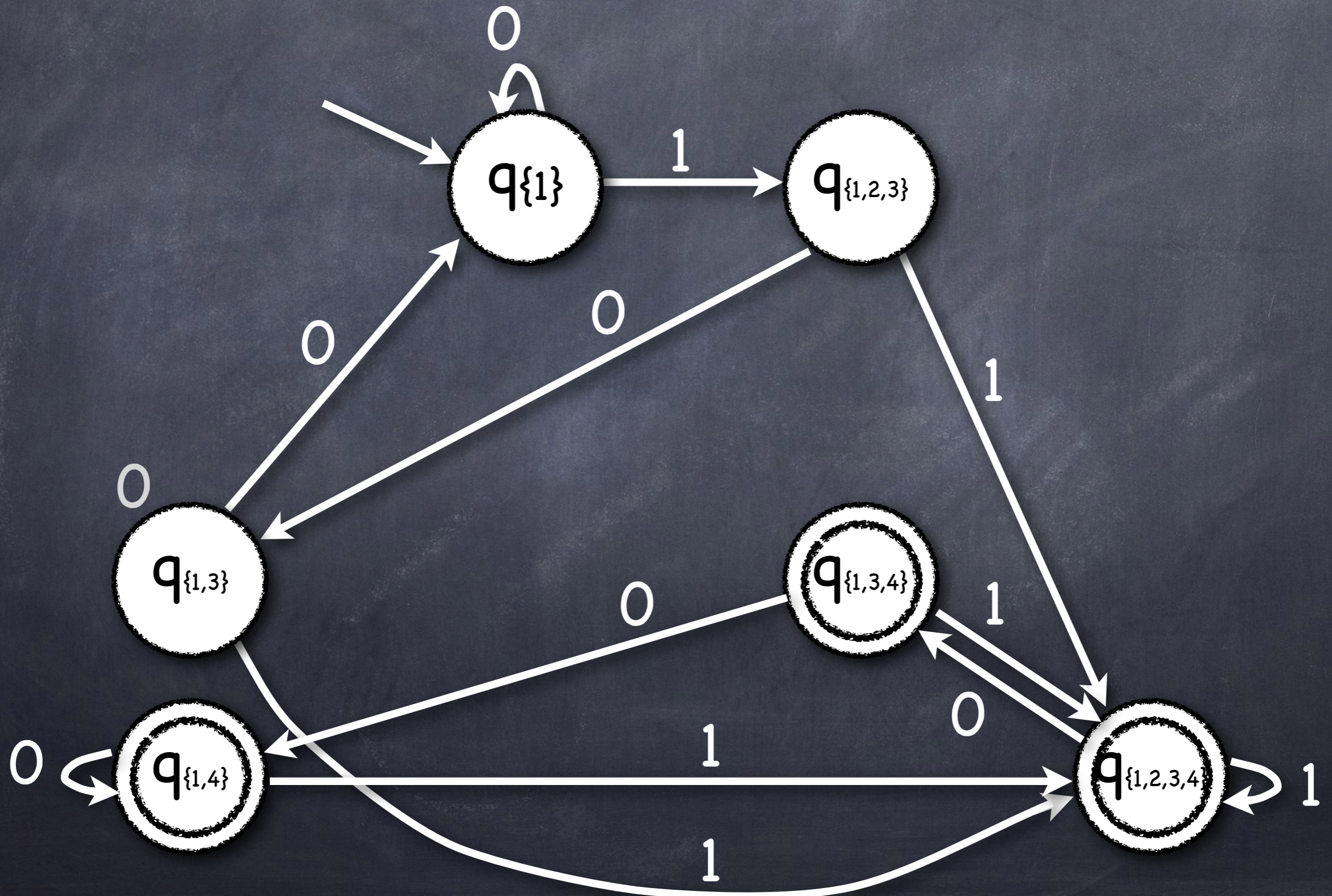
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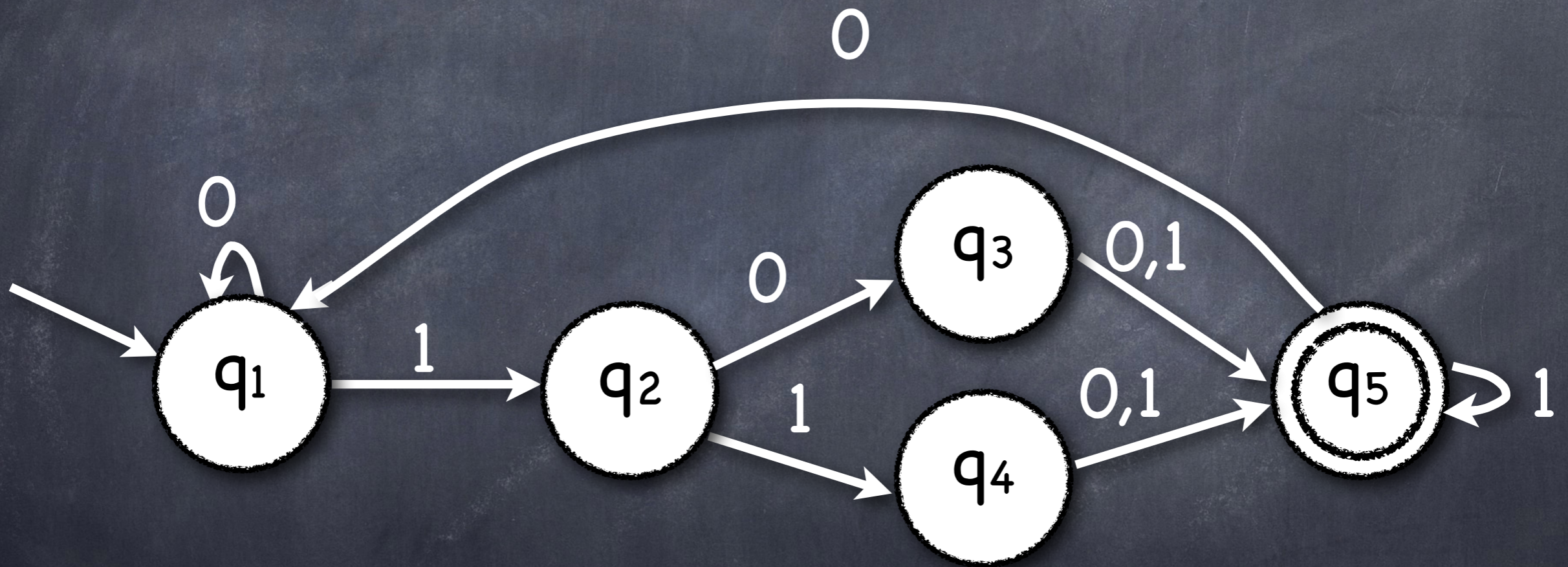




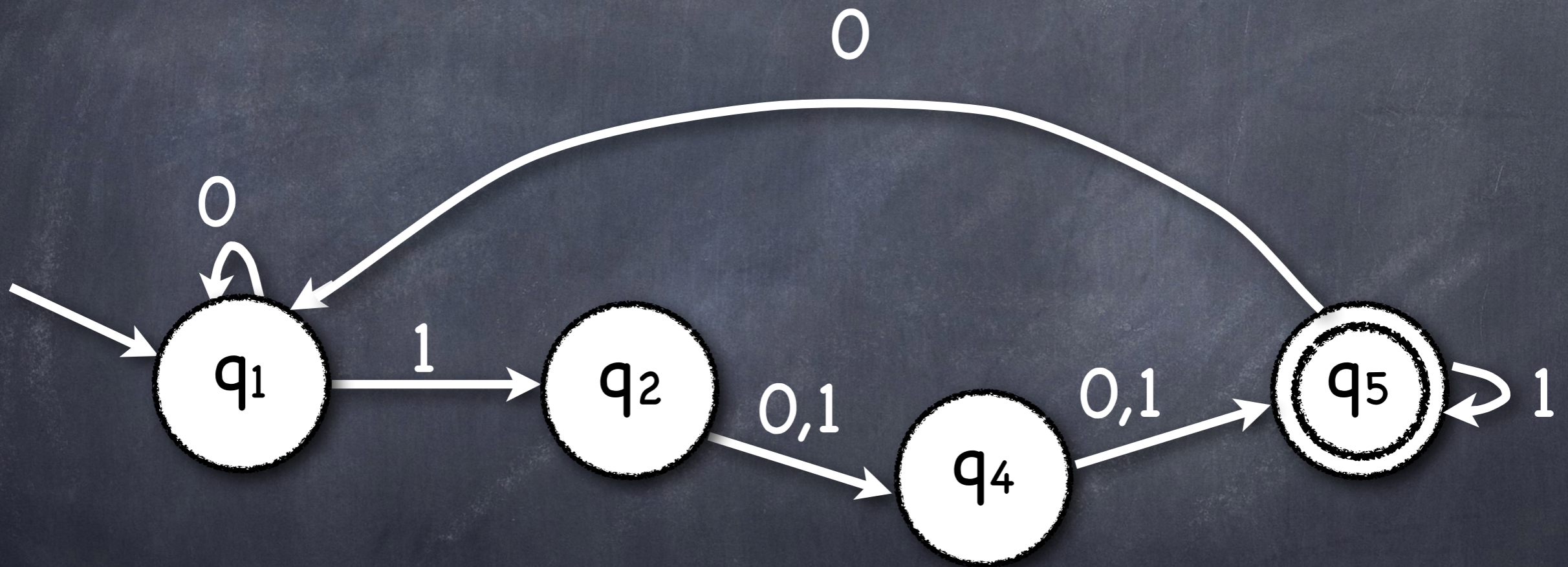
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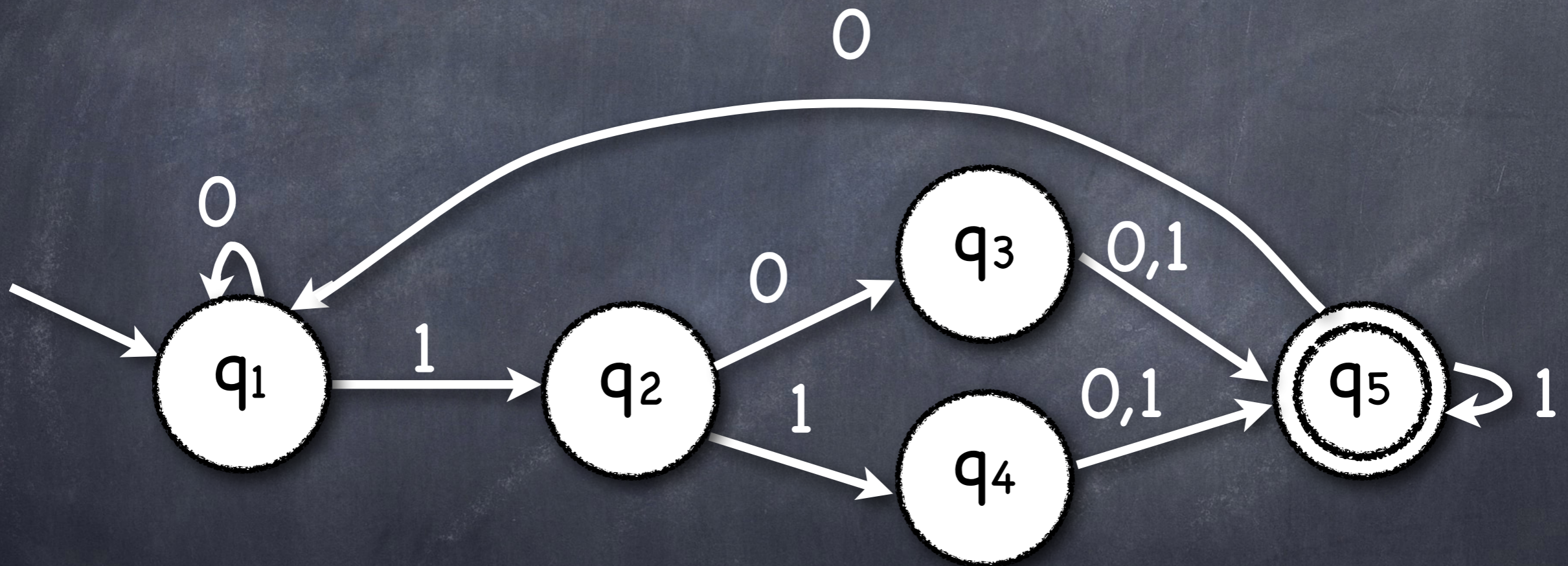
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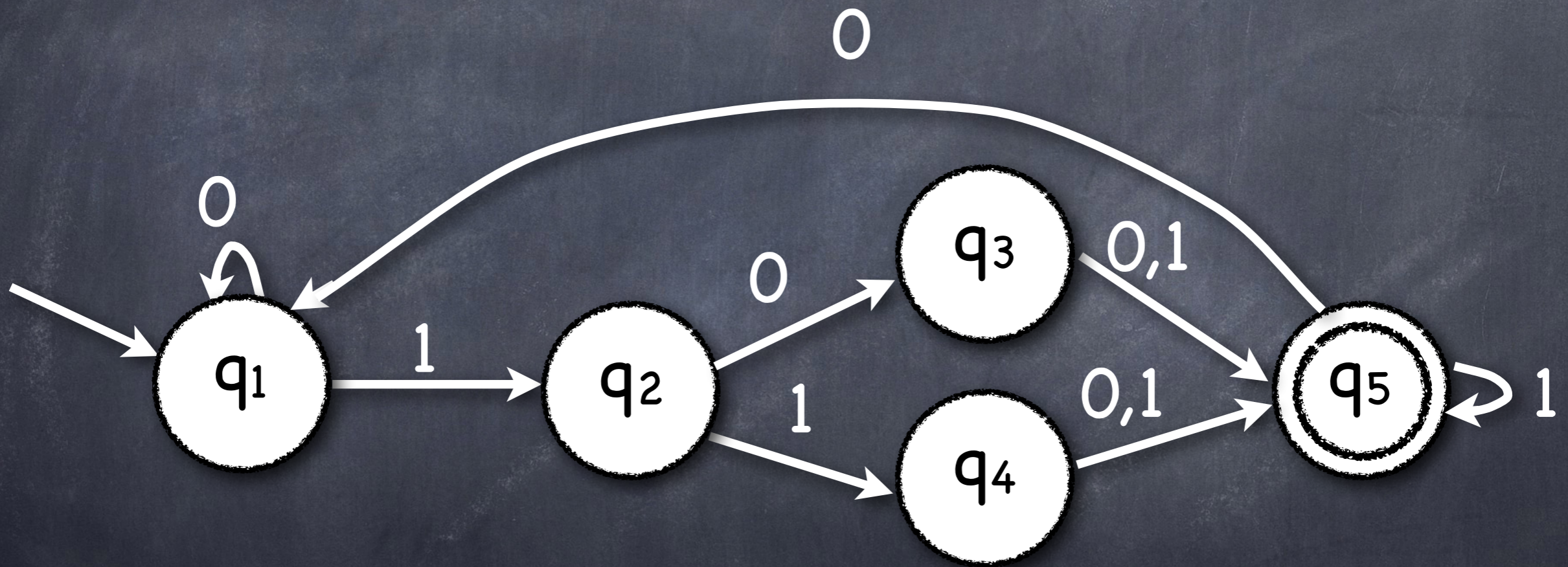


there exists a z such that $xz \in L$ and $yz \notin L$.

$z=0$ is such that $0110 \in L$ while $10 \notin L$.

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There does not exist a z such that $xz \in L$ and $yz \notin L$ nor $yz \in L$ and $xz \notin L$. For all z , xz and yz are both in L or neither in L .

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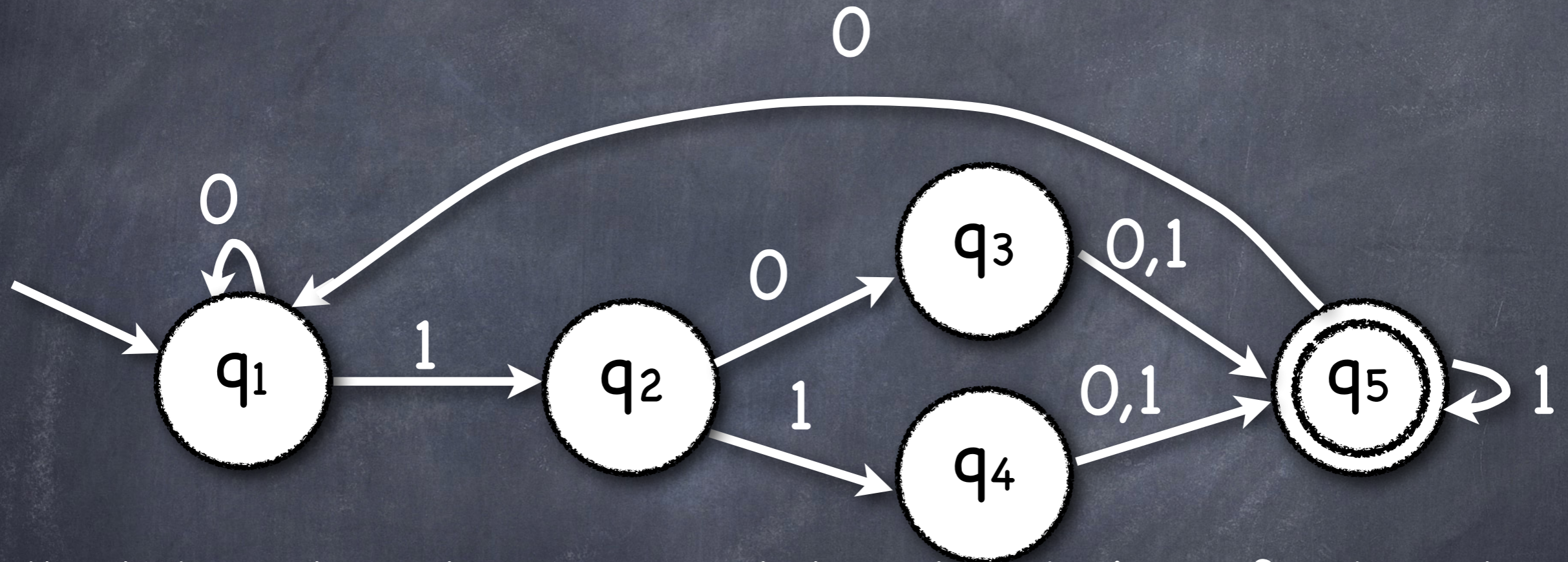
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Distinguishable Strings



While this automaton has 5 states, the index of L is only 4:

ϵ , 1, 11 and 111

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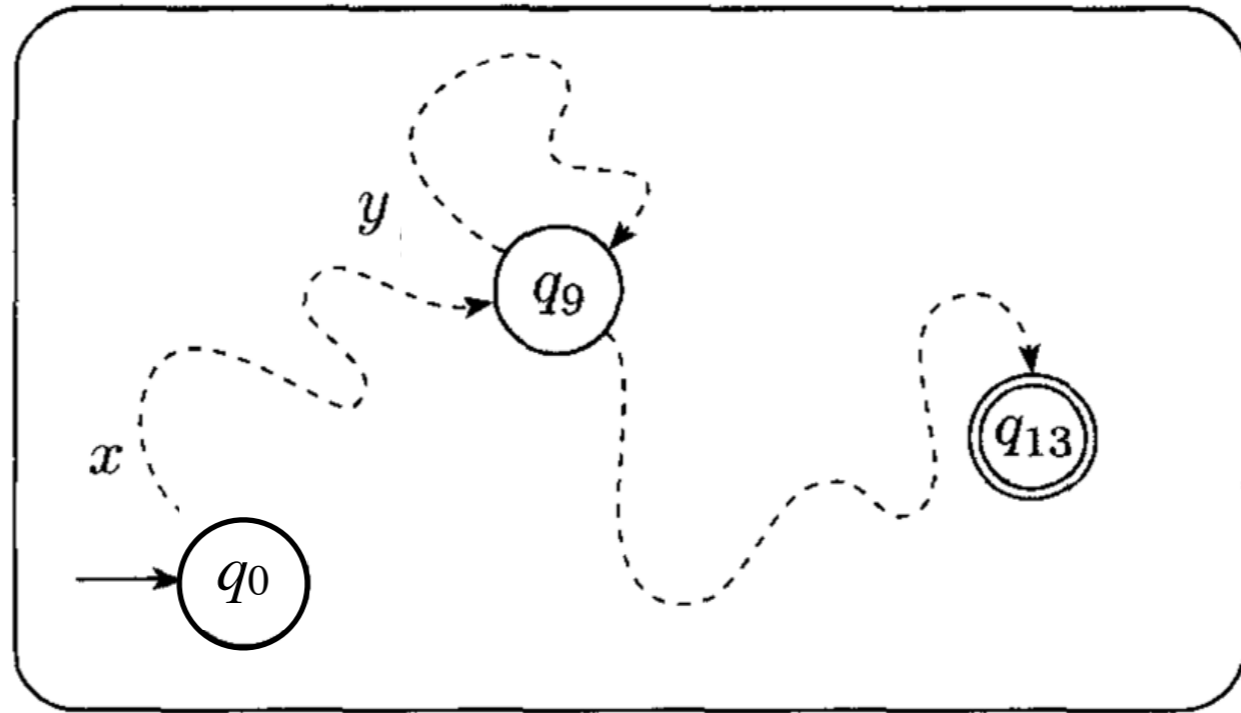
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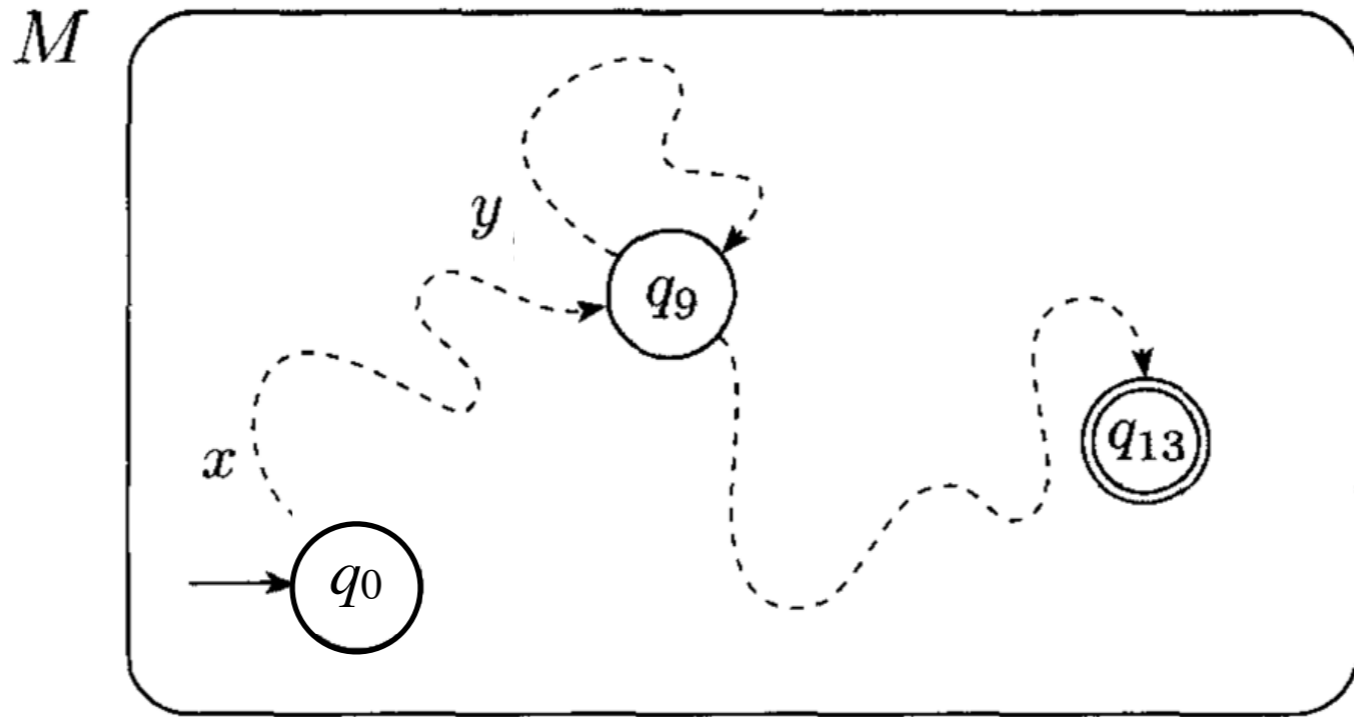


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- Let M be a k state DFA recognizing L .
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- Some X with $k+1$ elements is distinguishable by L . But since the number of states $< k+1$ there must exist x, y in X such that $\delta(q_0, x) = \delta(q_0, y)$. But then, x and y are not distinguishable. A contradiction.

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(\Rightarrow) L is regular implies the existence of a DFA recognizing L . By (a), L has index at most k .

(\Leftarrow) If L has index k then by (b) there exists a DFA with k states (i.e. L is regular).

• As for the minimality, if the index of L is not the size of the minimal DFA then there exists a DFA with index-1 states recognizing L . But this is impossible by part (a).

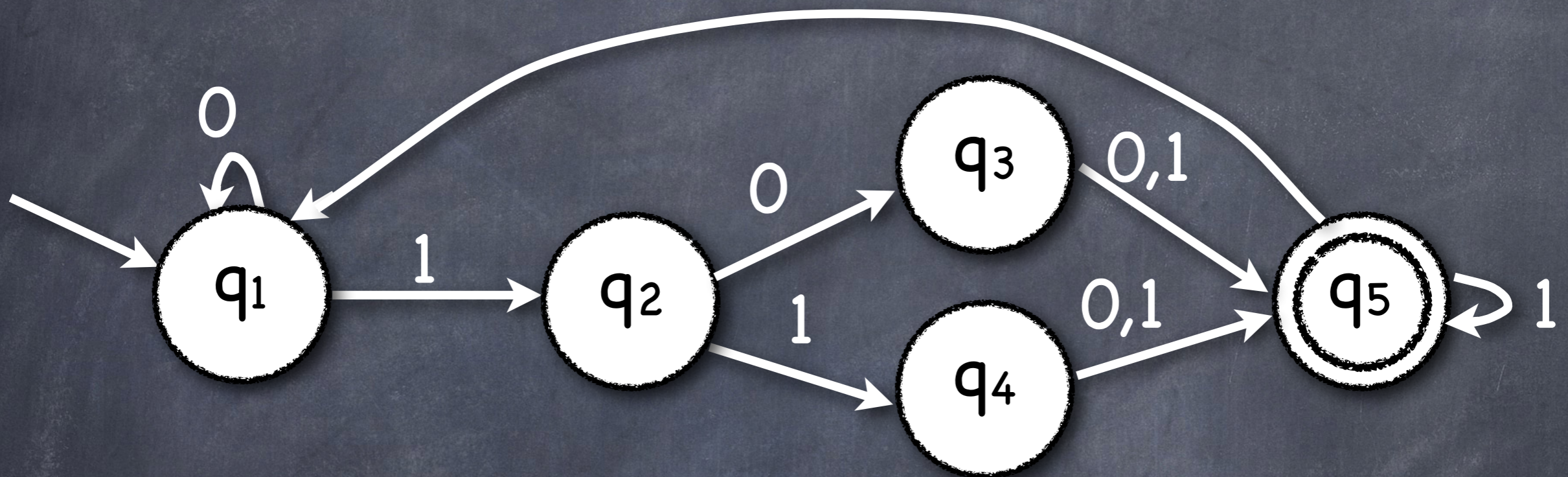
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- Let L be a regular language. Compute the index of L by finding the set X of all the strings that are pairwise distinguishable by L .
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Computing Index



If we consider all $63=2^6-1$ strings of length up to 5, we get:

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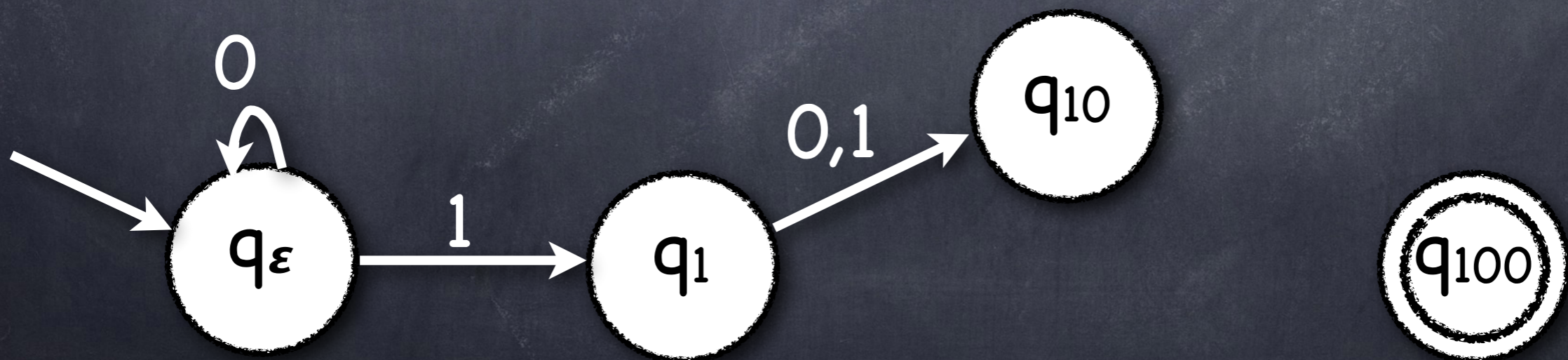
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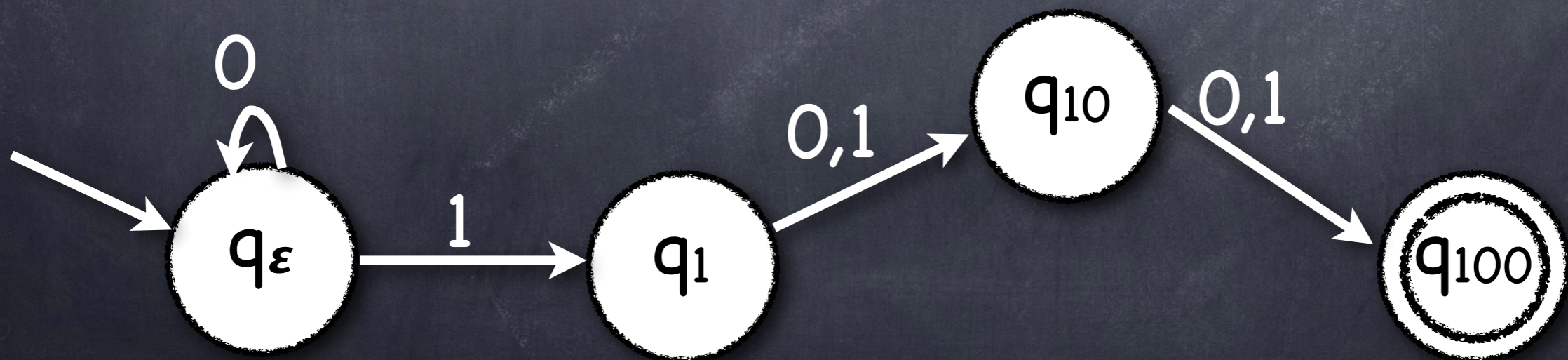
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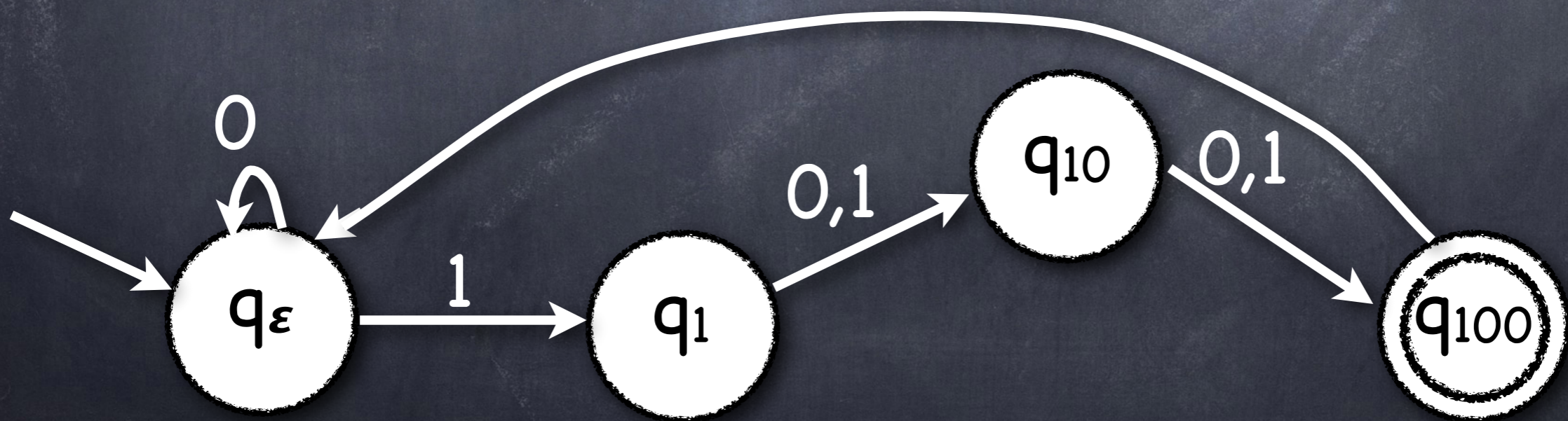
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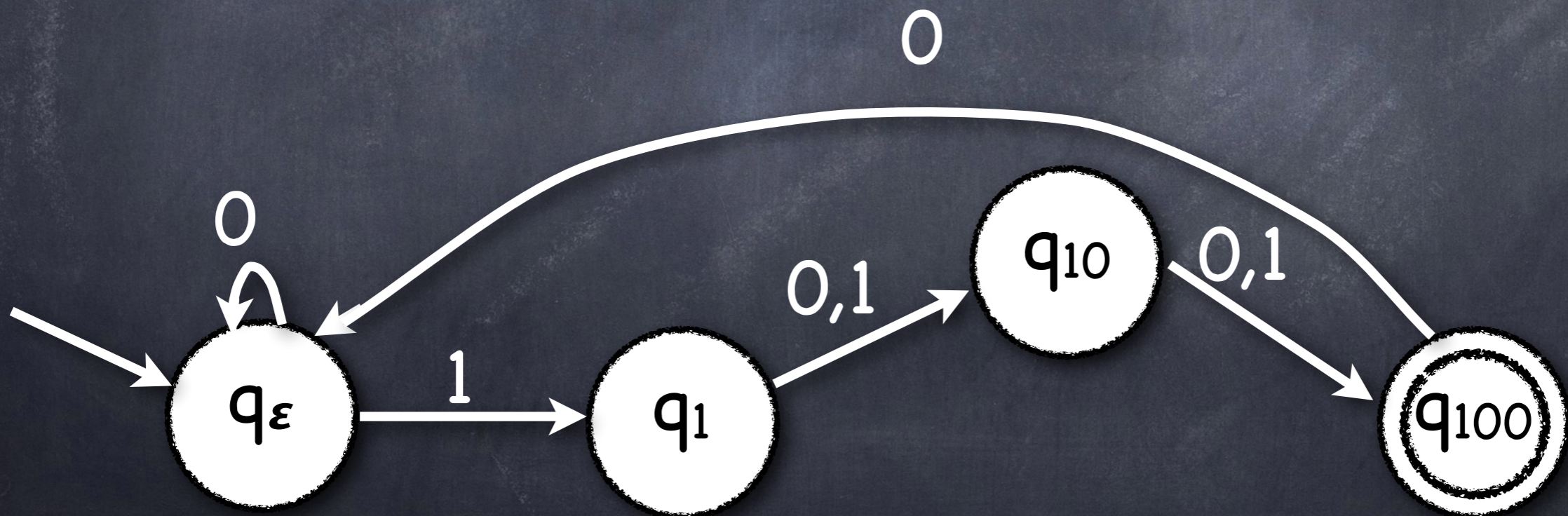
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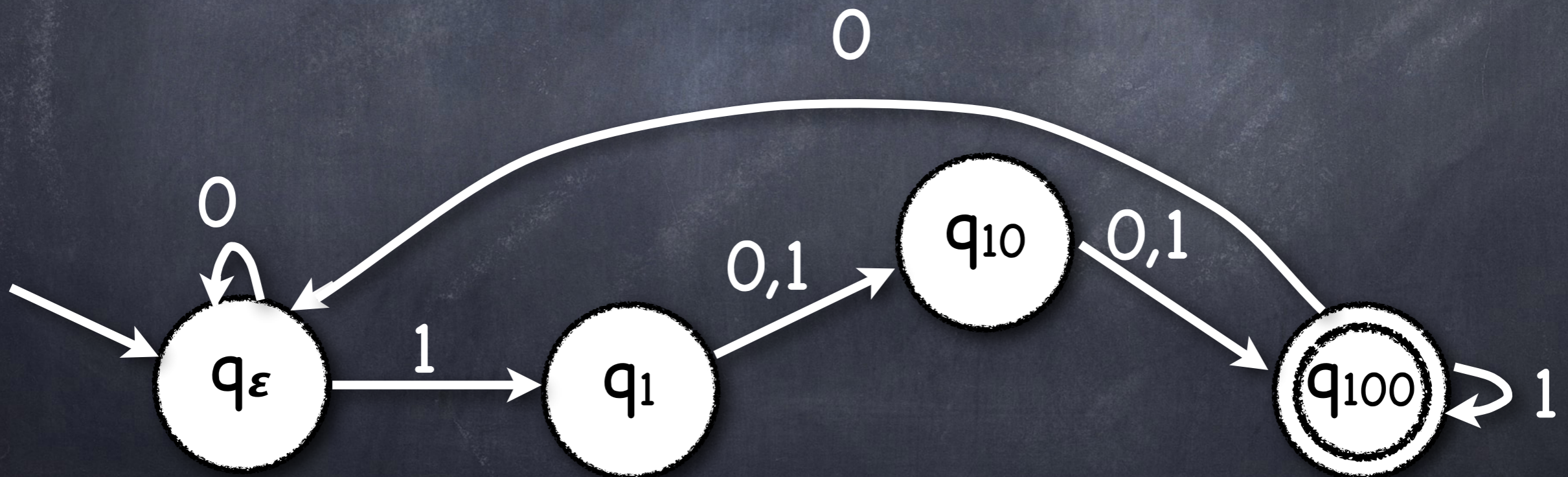
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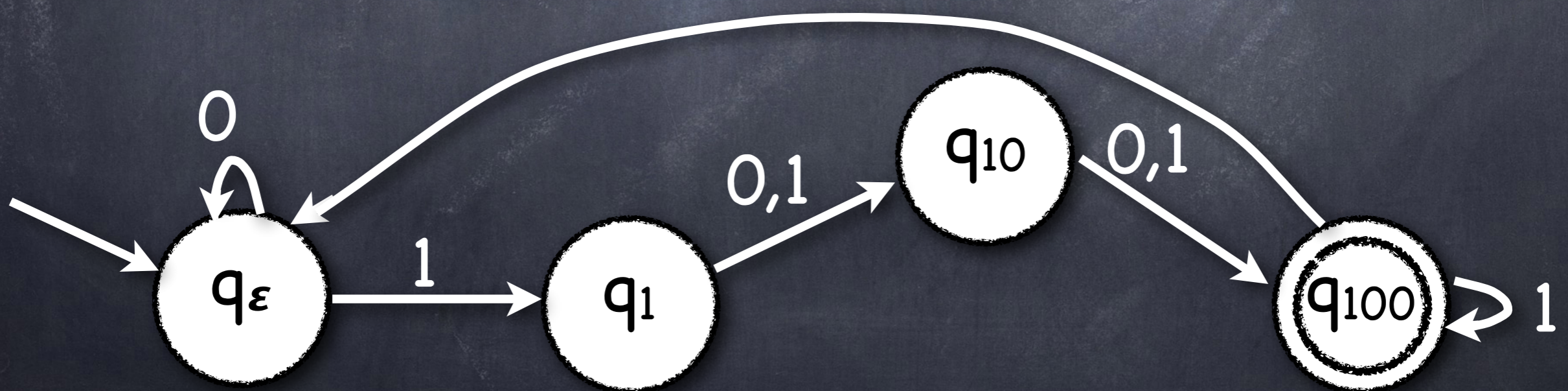
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Application of the Myhill-Nerode Theorem

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Application of the Myhill-Nerode Theorem

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1. a for some a in the alphabet Σ ,
2. ϵ ,
3. \emptyset ,
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EXAMPLE 1.53

In the following instances we assume that the alphabet Σ is $\{0,1\}$.

1. $0^*10^* = \{w \mid w \text{ contains a single } 1\}$.

2. $\Sigma^*1\Sigma^* = \{w \mid w \text{ has at least one } 1\}$.

3. $\Sigma^*001\Sigma^* = \{w \mid w \text{ contains the string } 001 \text{ as a substring}\}$.

4. $1^*(01^+)^* = \{w \mid \text{every } 0 \text{ in } w \text{ is followed by at least one } 1\}$.

5. $(\Sigma\Sigma)^* = \{w \mid w \text{ is a string of even length}\}$.⁵

6. $(\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma)^* = \{w \mid \text{the length of } w \text{ is a multiple of three}\}$.

7. $01 \cup 10 = \{01, 10\}$.

8. $0\Sigma^*0 \cup 1\Sigma^*1 \cup 0 \cup 1 = \{w \mid w \text{ starts and ends with the same symbol}\}$.

9. $(0 \cup \epsilon)1^* = 01^* \cup 1^*$.

The expression $0 \cup \epsilon$ describes the language $\{0, \epsilon\}$, so the concatenation operation adds either 0 or ϵ before every string in 1^* .

10. $(0 \cup \epsilon)(1 \cup \epsilon) = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 01\}$.

11. $1^*\emptyset = \emptyset$.

Concatenating the empty set to any set yields the empty set.

12. $\emptyset^* = \{\epsilon\}$.

The star operation puts together any number of strings from the language to get a string in the result. If the language is empty, the star operation can put together 0 strings, giving only the empty string.

Regular Expressions vs Regular Languages

THEOREM 1.54

A language is regular if and only if some regular expression describes it.

LEMMA 1.55

If a language is described by a regular expression, then it is regular.

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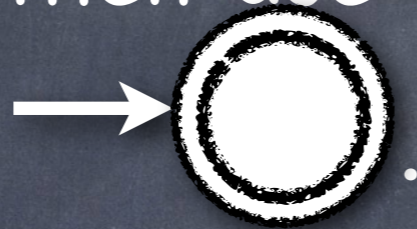
Regular Expressions generate Reg. Languages

Let R_A generating L_A .

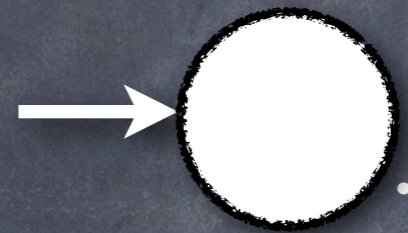
If R_A is a symbol "a" then use



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If R_A is $R_1 \cup R_2$ then use Thm 1.45 and recursively use N_1 and N_2 s.t. $L(N_1) = L(R_1)$ and $L(N_2) = L(R_2)$.

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If R_A is R^* then use Thm 1.49 and recursively use N s.t. $L(N) = L(R)$.

Automata recognize Regular Expressions

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Generalized NFA

Example of GNFA

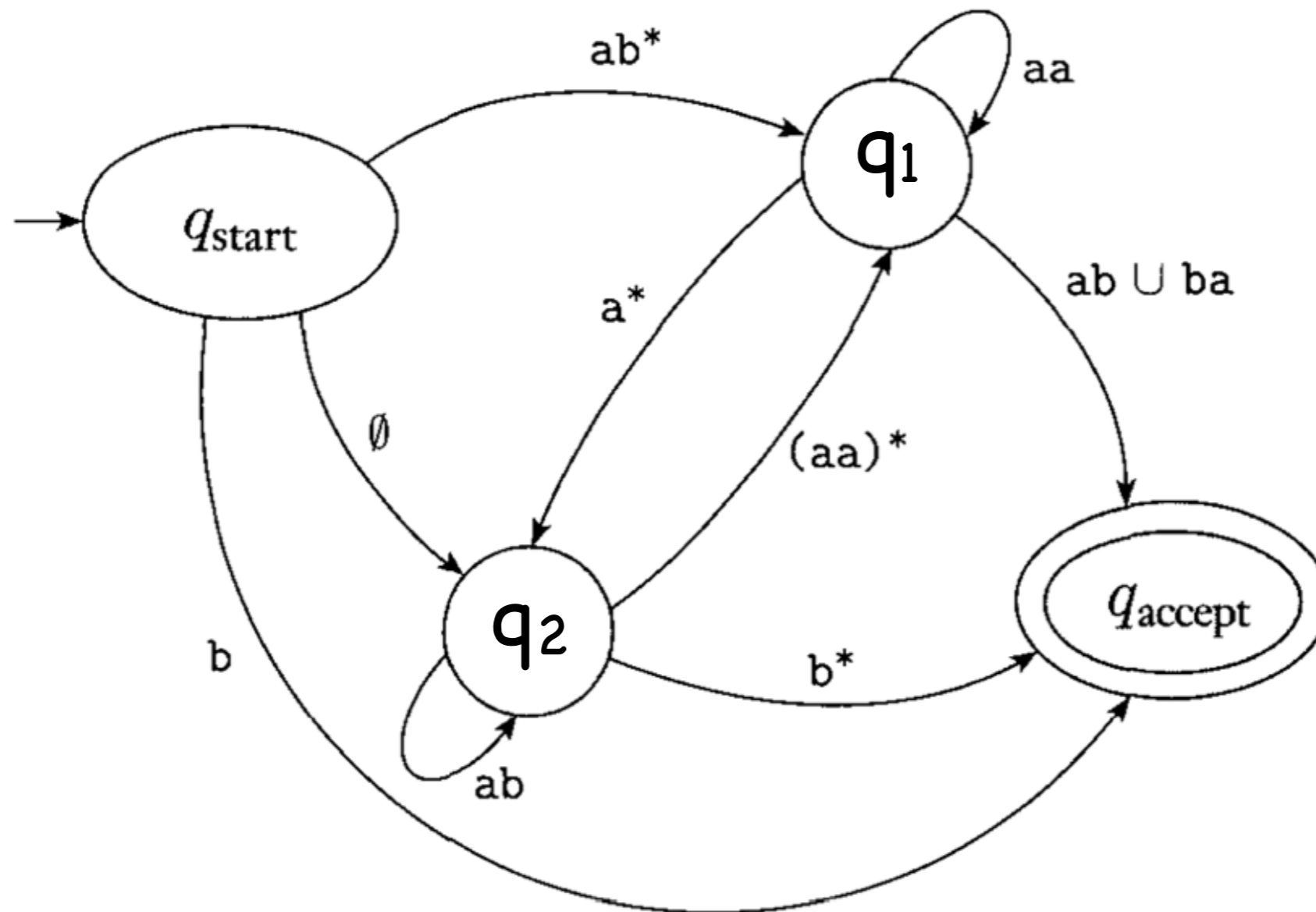
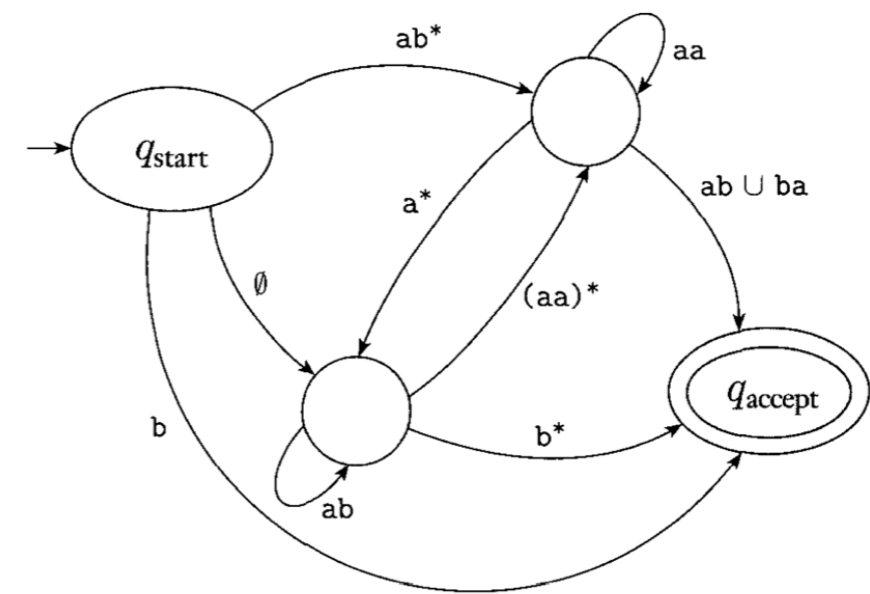


FIGURE 1.61

A generalized nondeterministic finite automaton

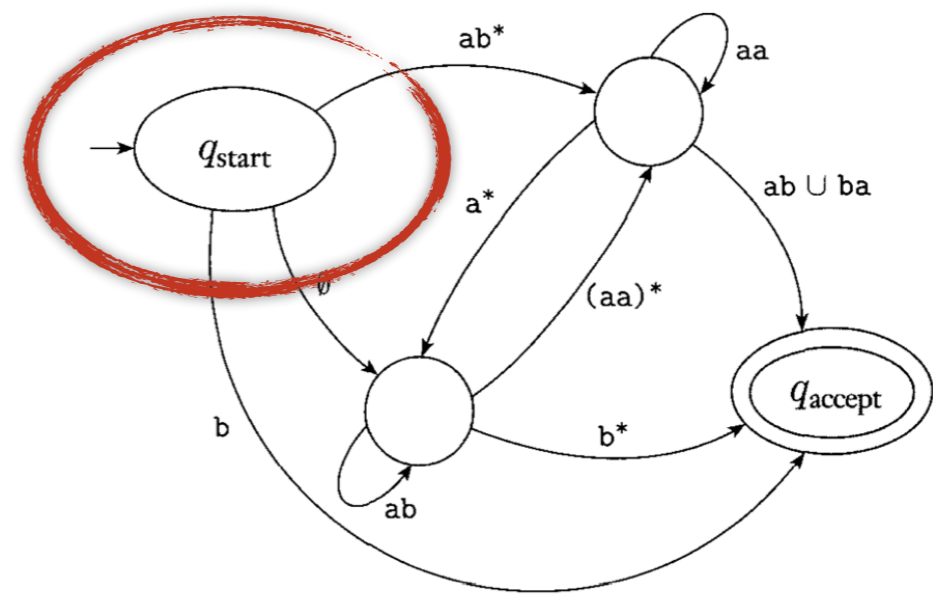
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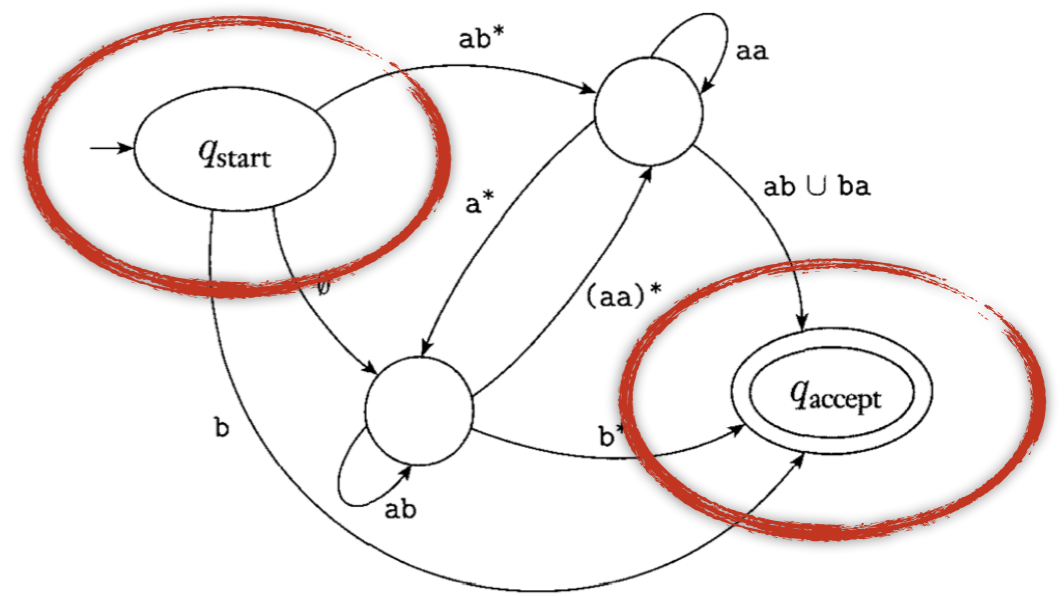
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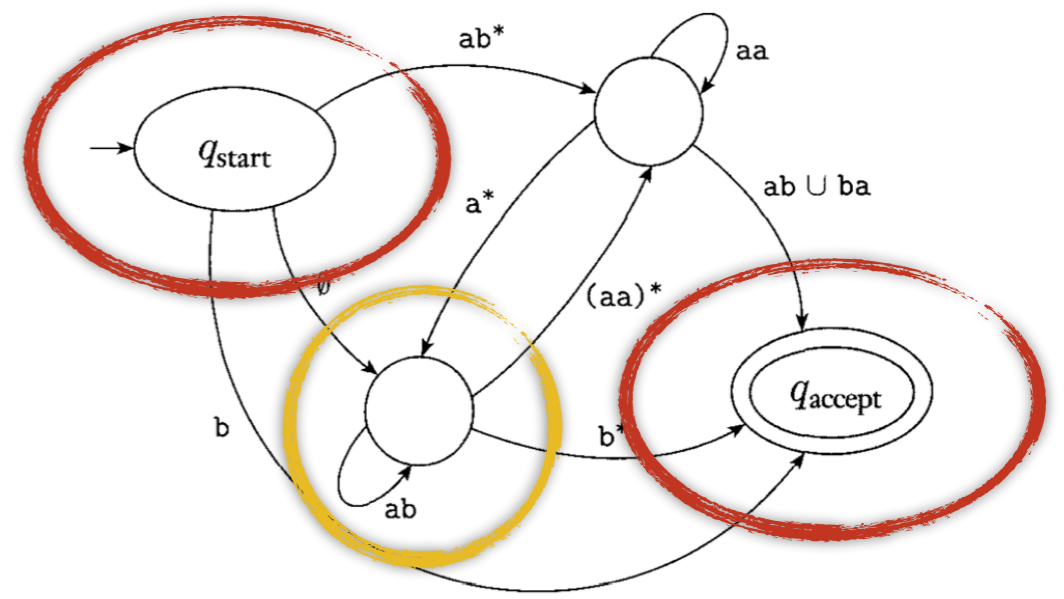
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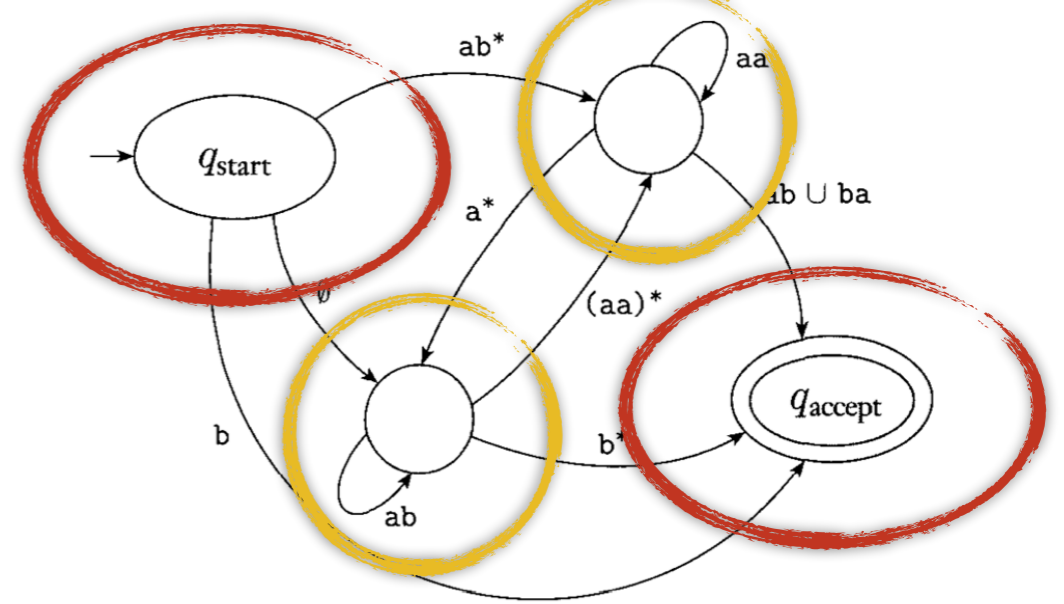
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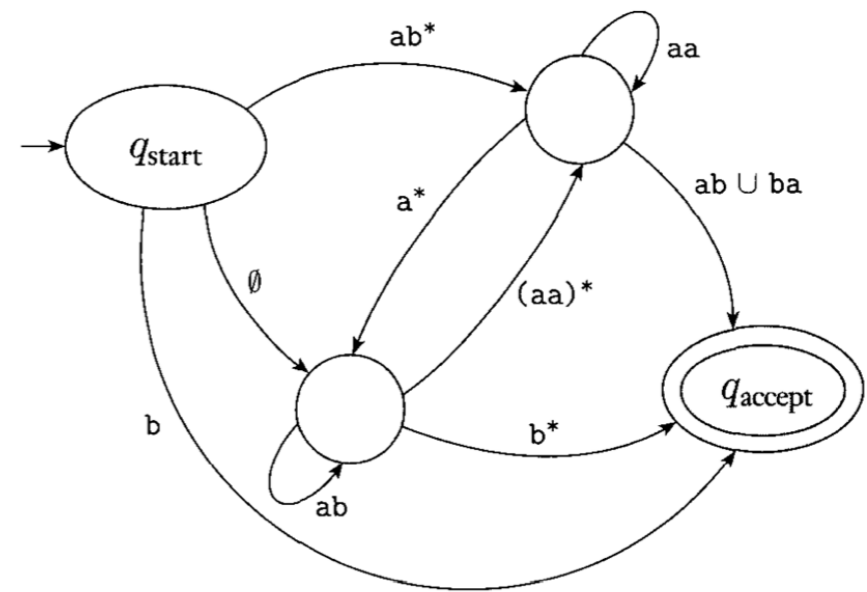
Generalized NFA

DEFINITION 1.64

A *generalized nondeterministic finite automaton* is a 5-tuple, $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_{\text{start}}, q_{\text{accept}})$, where

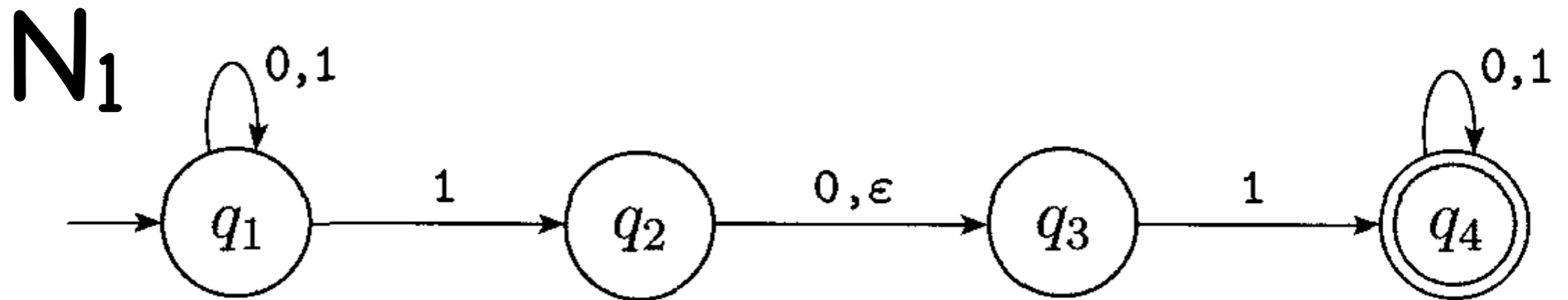
1. Q is the finite set of states,
2. Σ is the input alphabet,
3. $\delta: (Q - \{q_{\text{accept}}\}) \times (Q - \{q_{\text{start}}\}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{R}$ is the transition function,
4. q_{start} is the start state, and
5. q_{accept} is the accept state.

Definition of GNFA

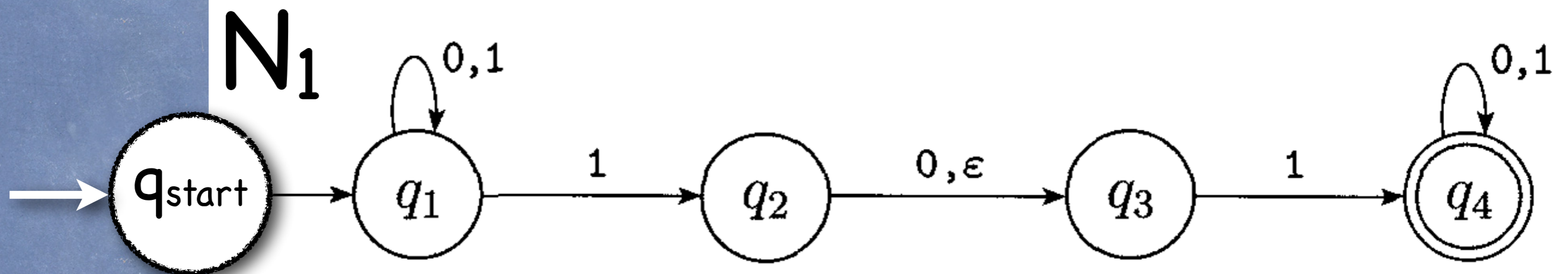


- Let $G = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_{start}, q_{accept})$ be a generalized nondeterministic finite state automaton and let $w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$ ($n \geq 0$) be a string where each sub-string $w_i \in \Sigma^*$.
- G accepts w if $\exists s_0, s_1, \dots, s_n$ s.t.
 - $s_0 = q_{start}$
 - $w_i \in L(\delta(s_{i-1}, s_i))$ for $i = 1 \dots n$, and
 - $s_n = q_{accept}$

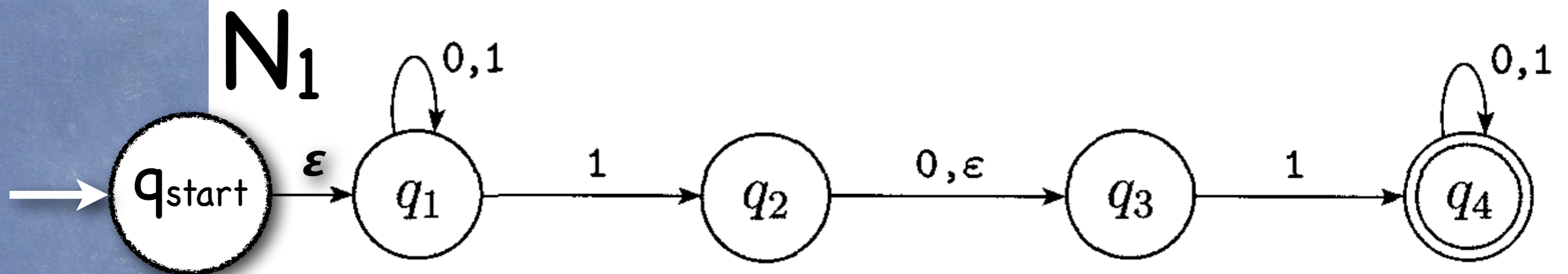
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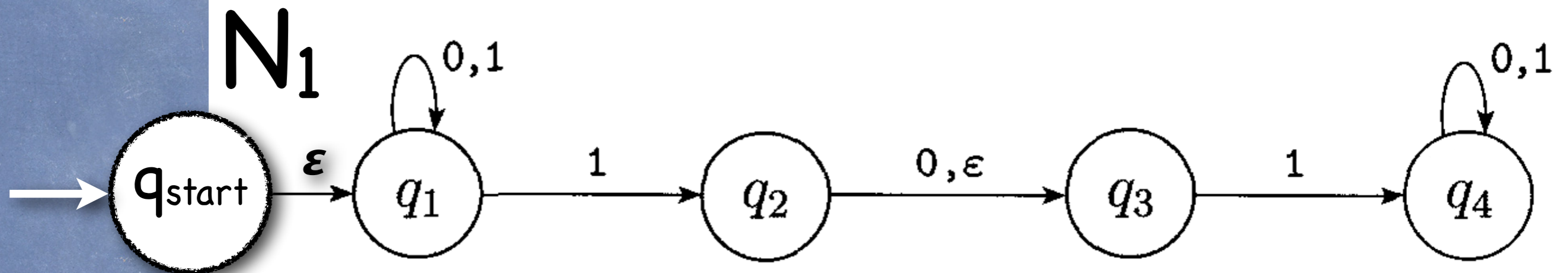
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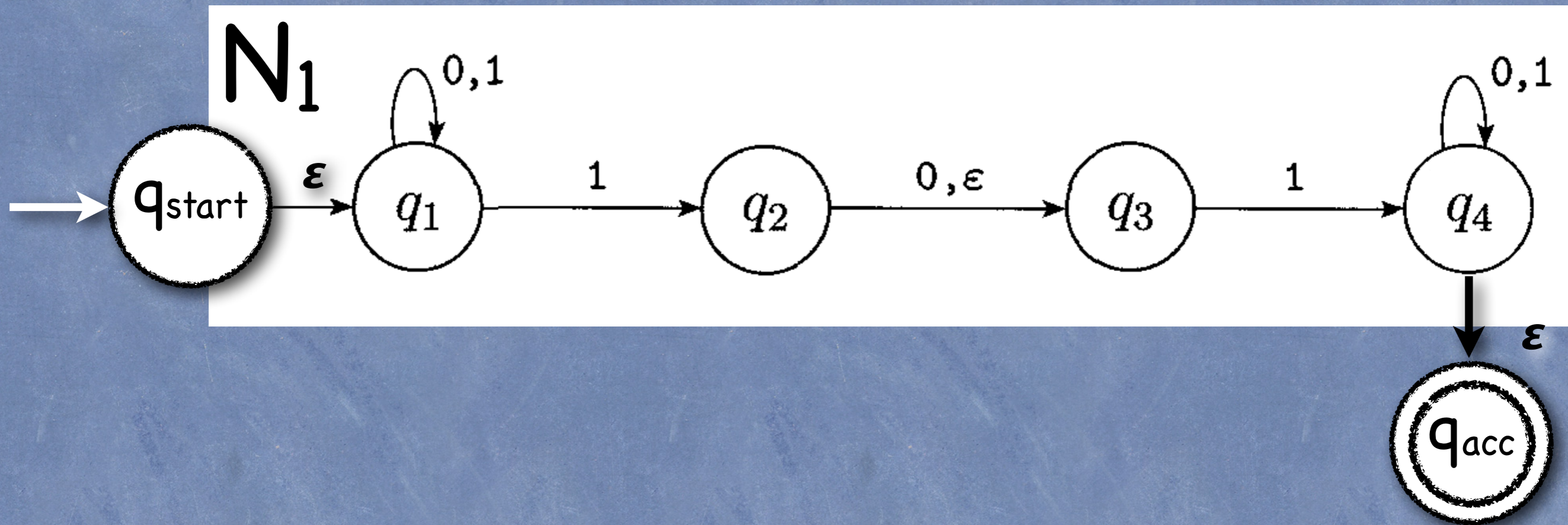
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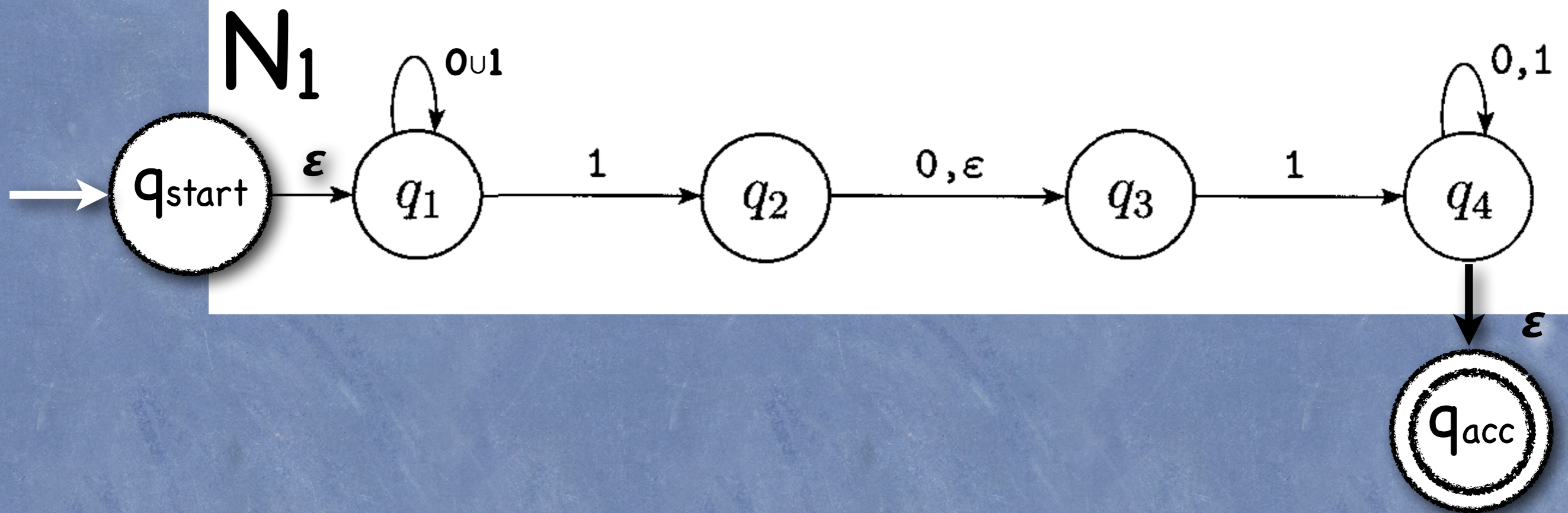
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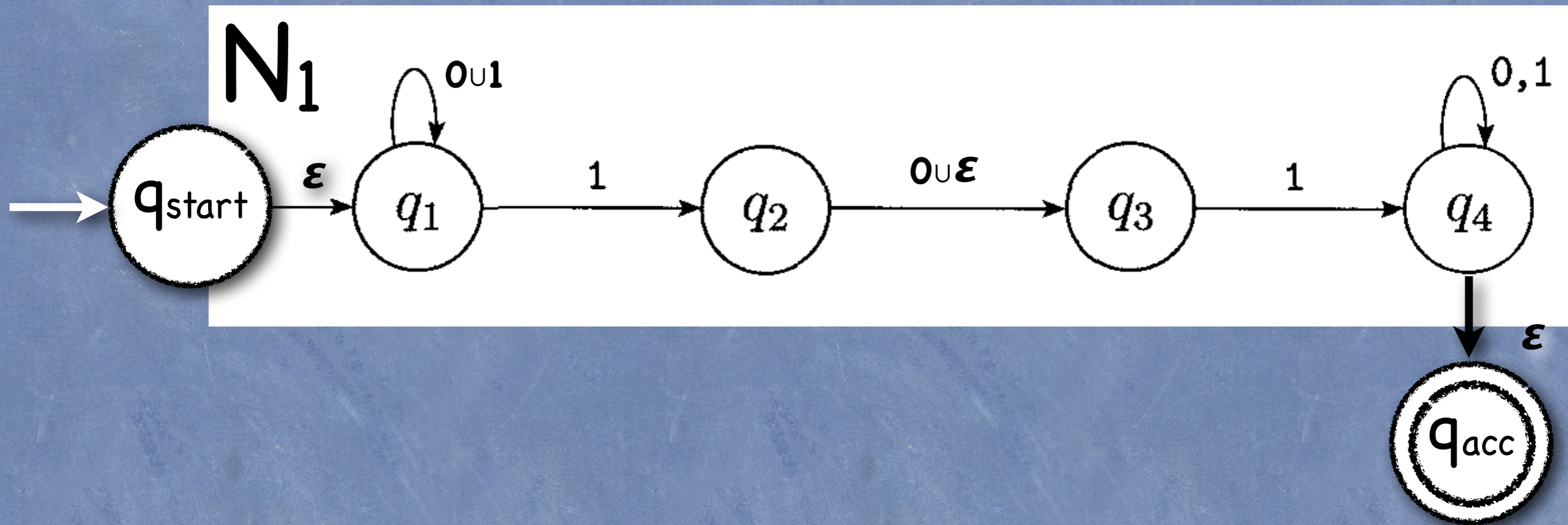
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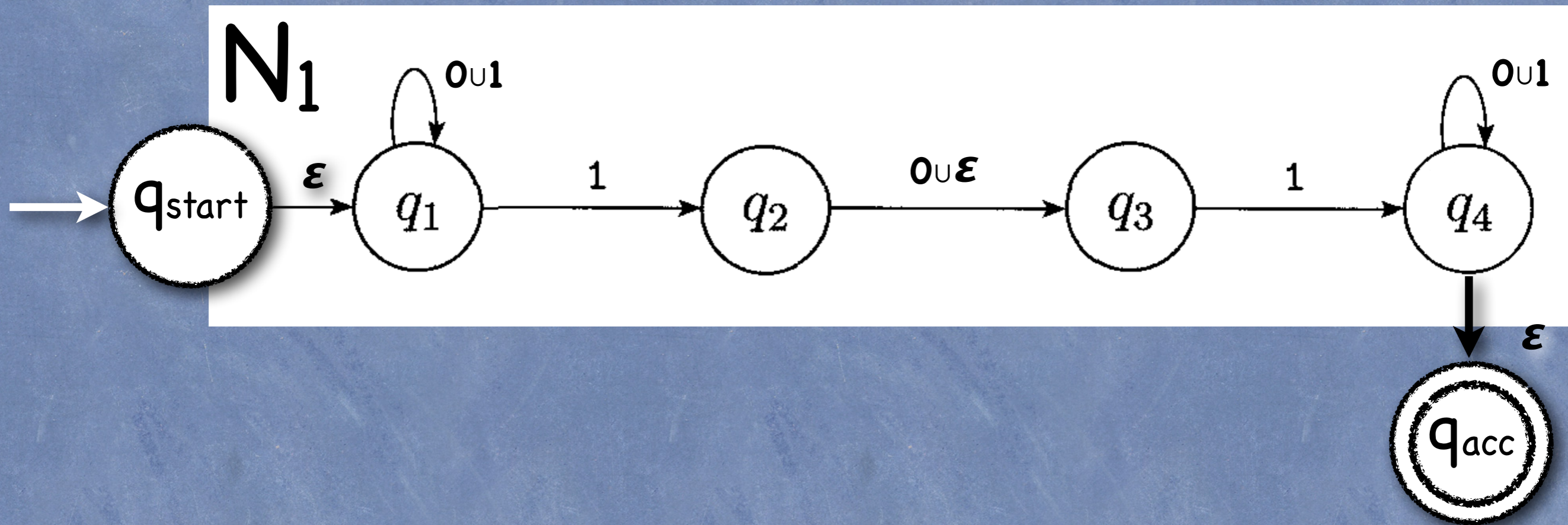
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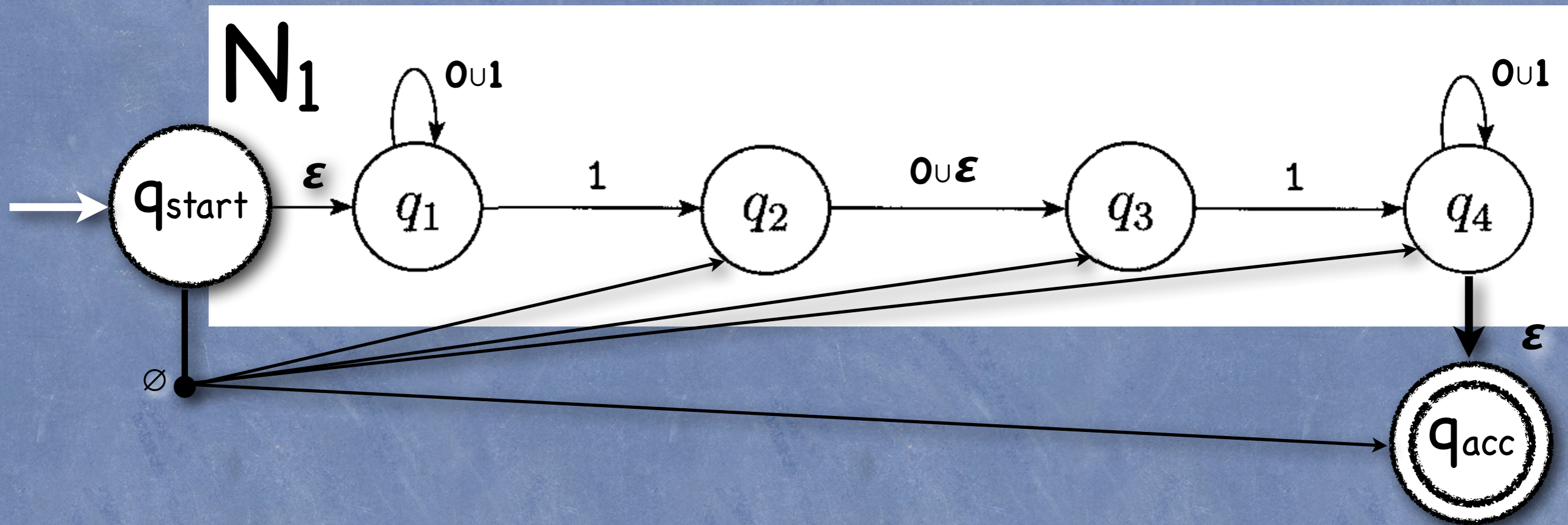
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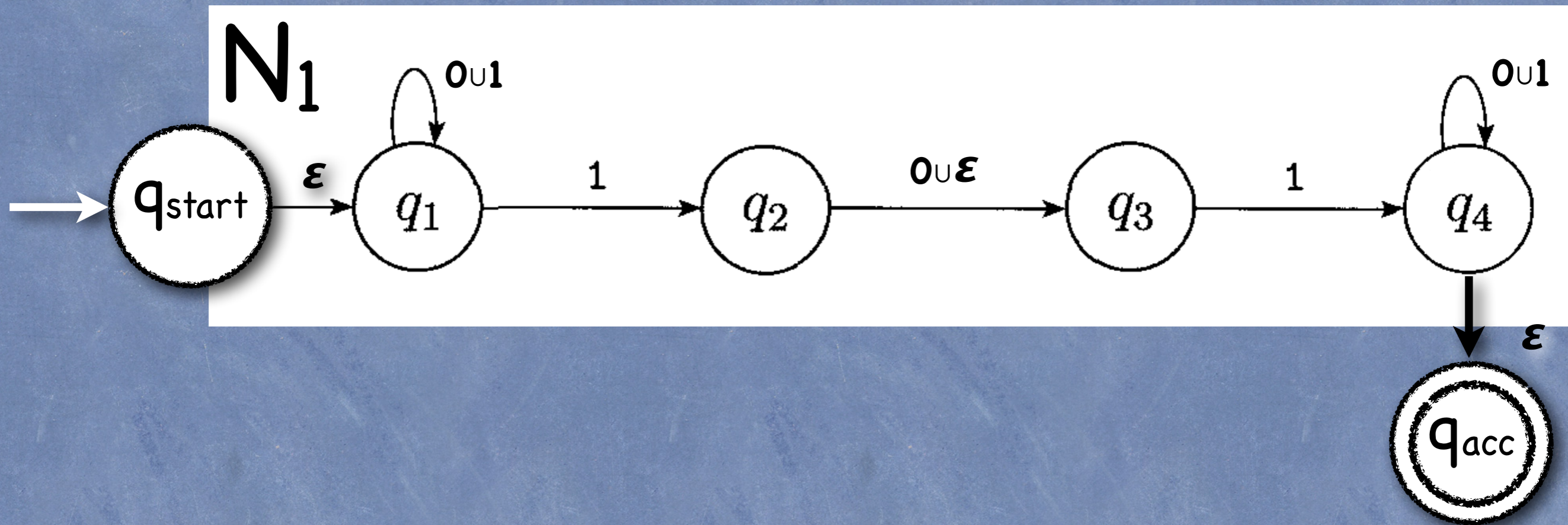
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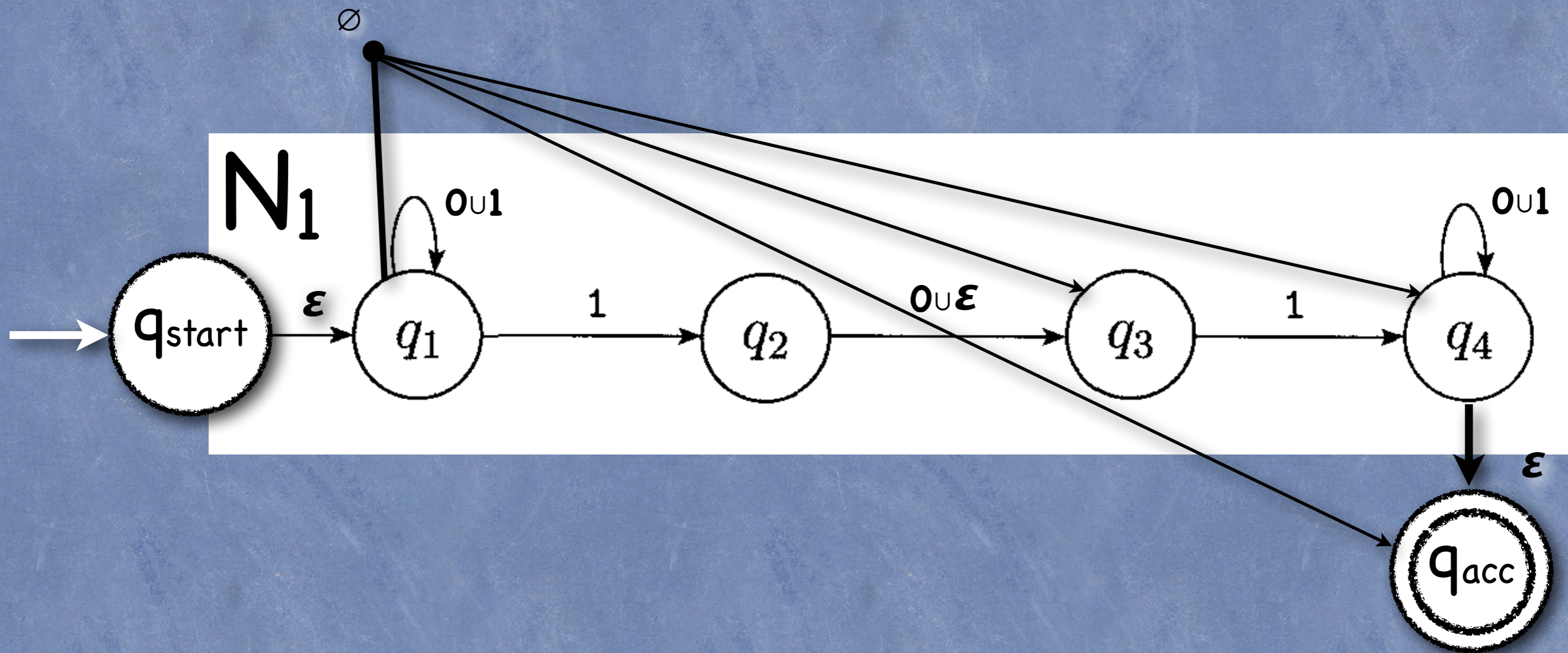
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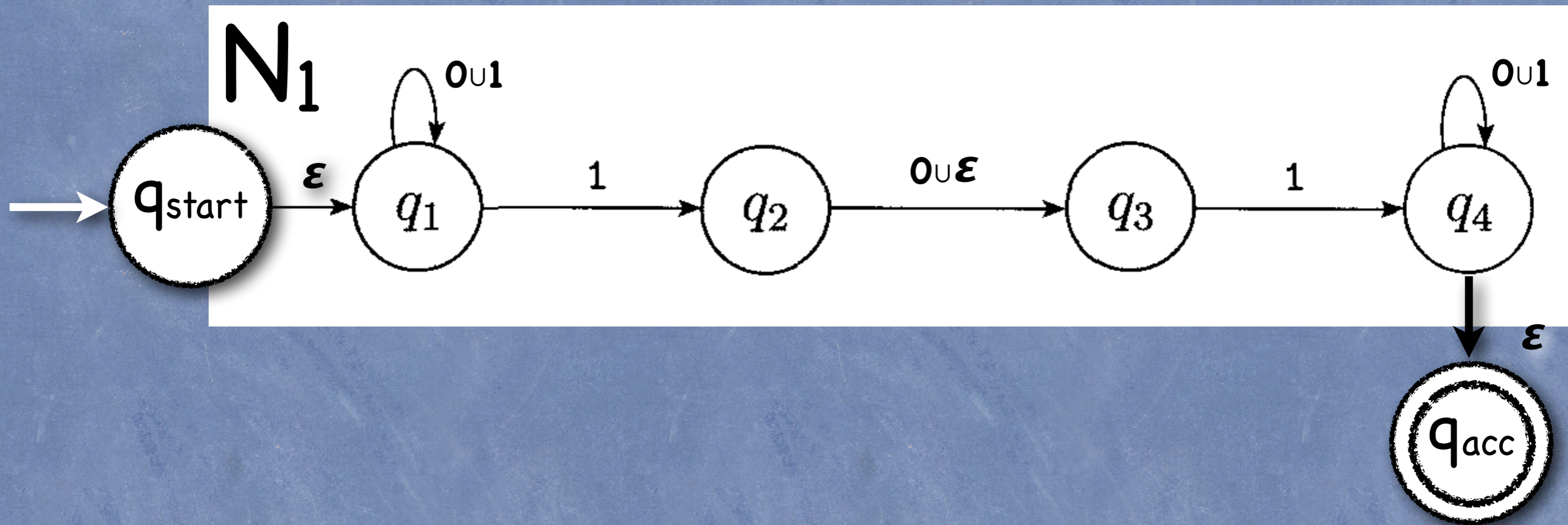
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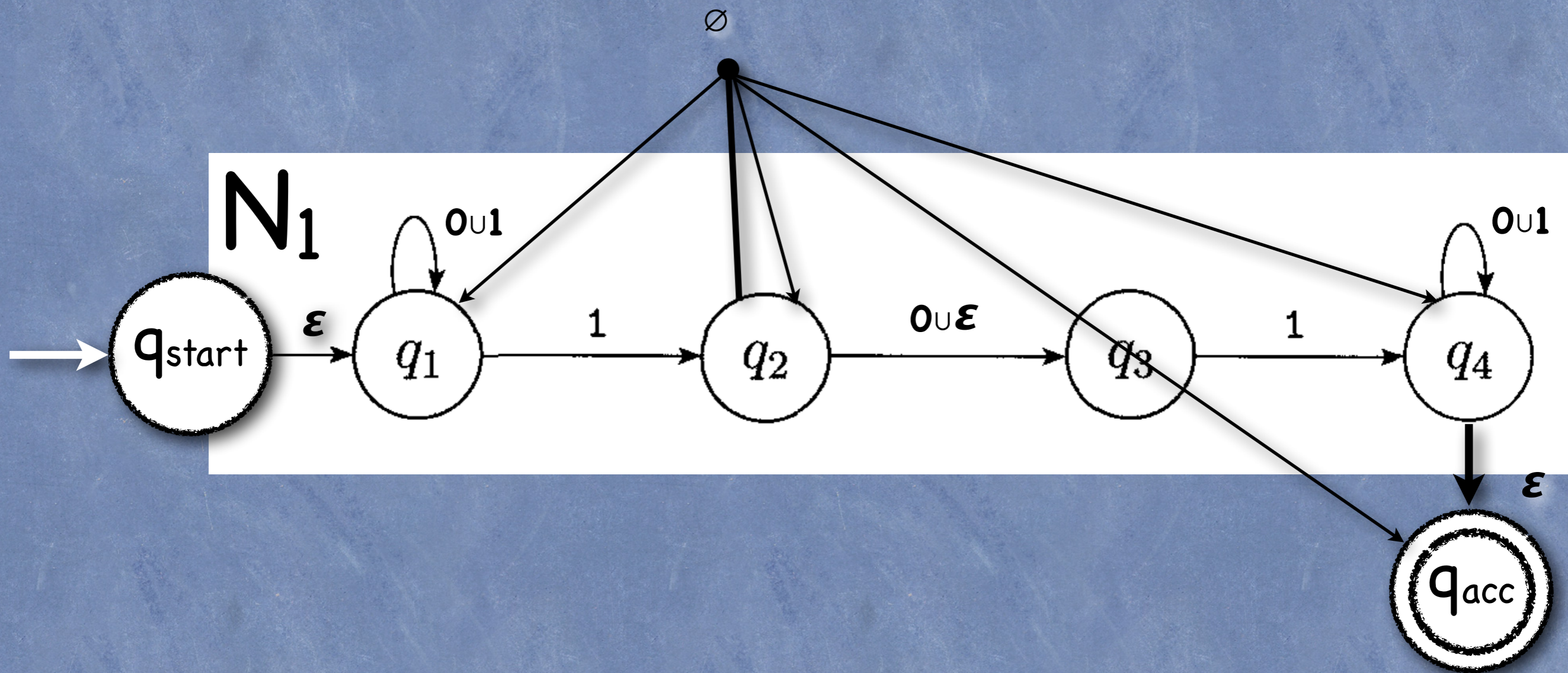
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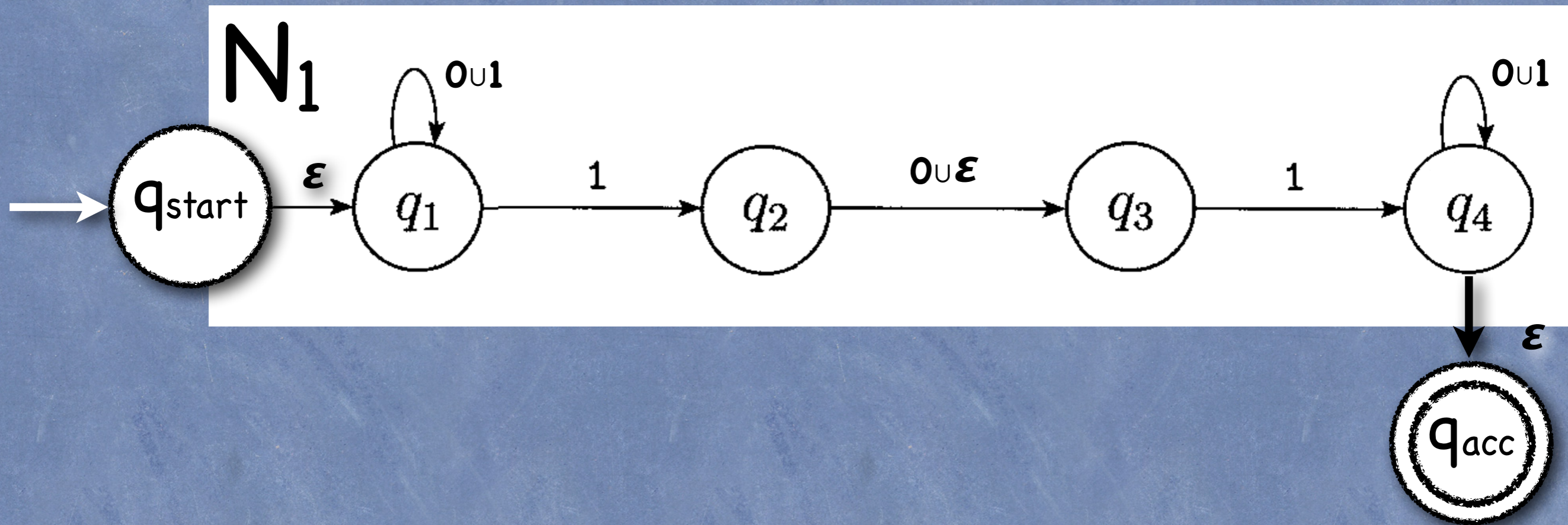
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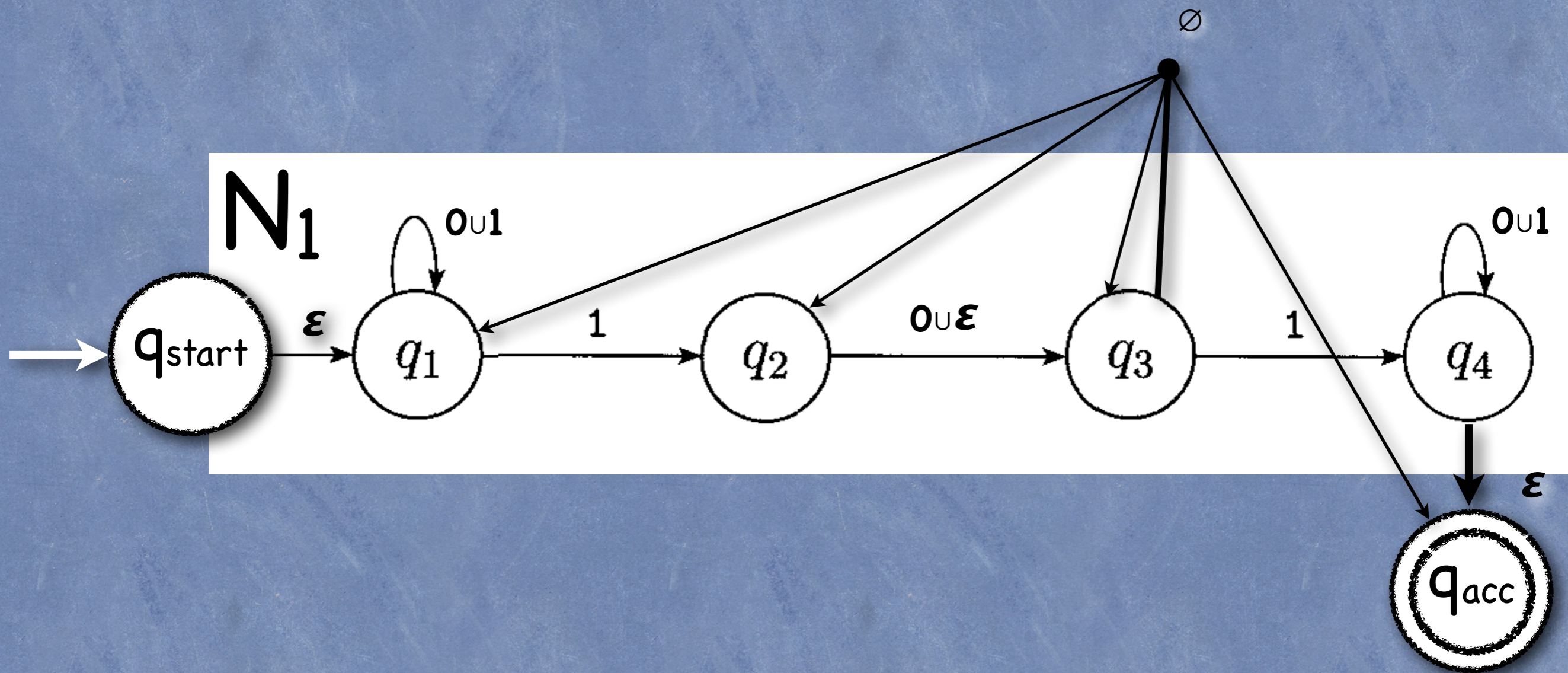
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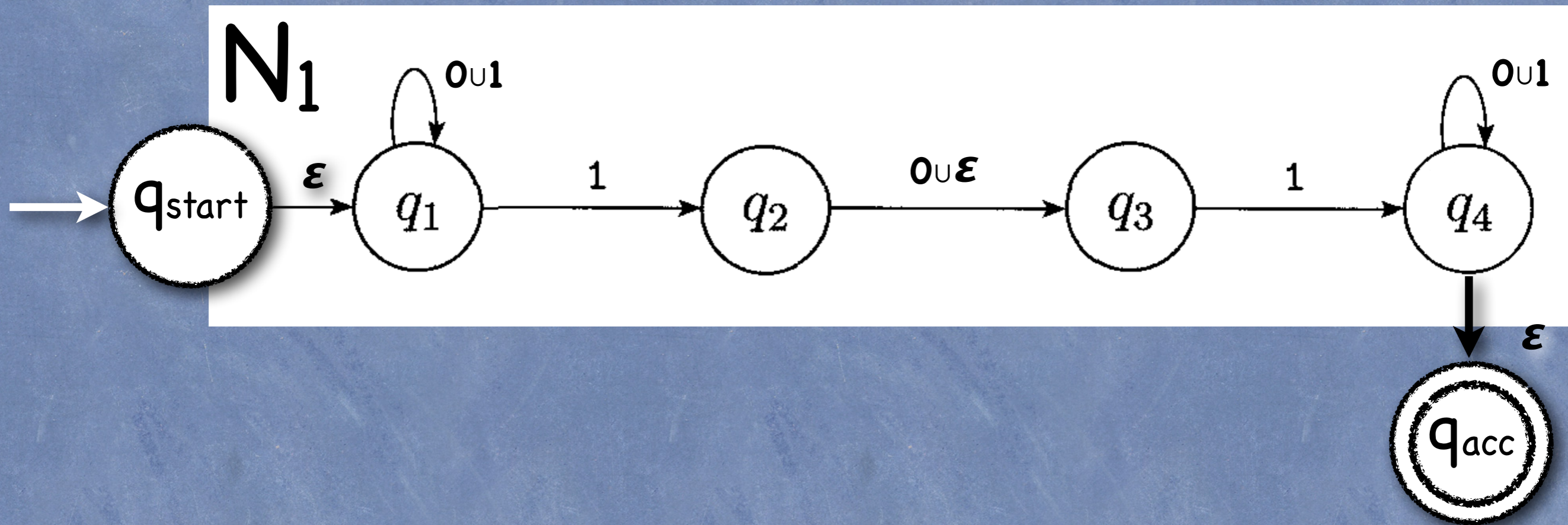
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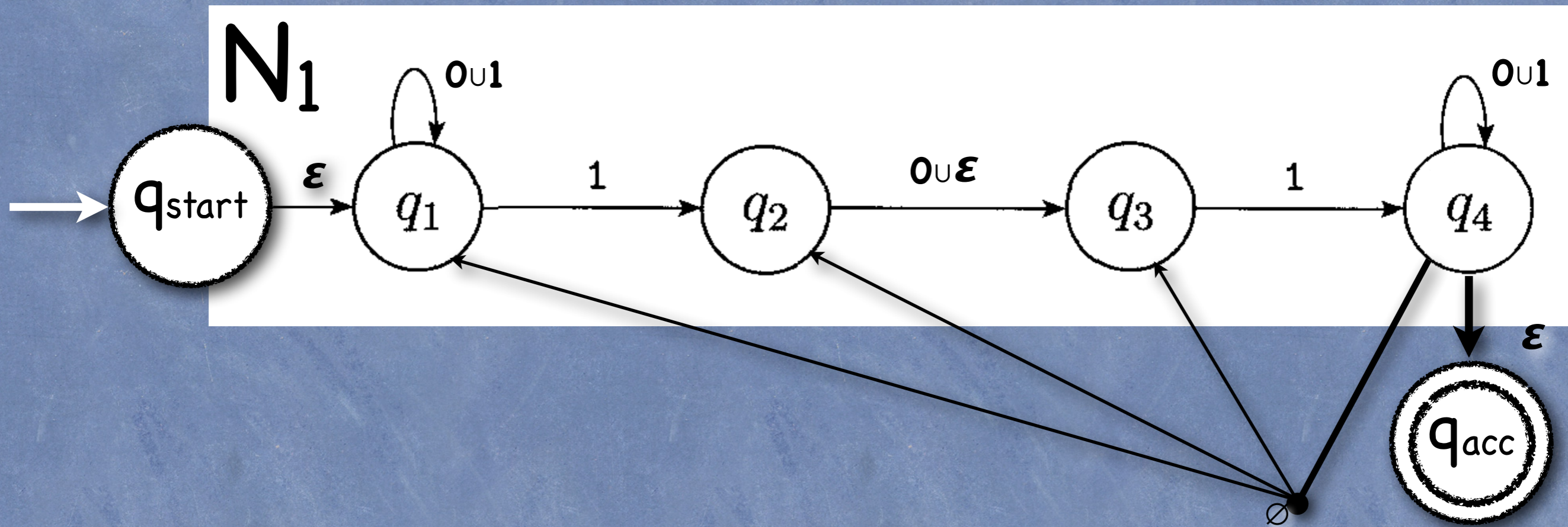
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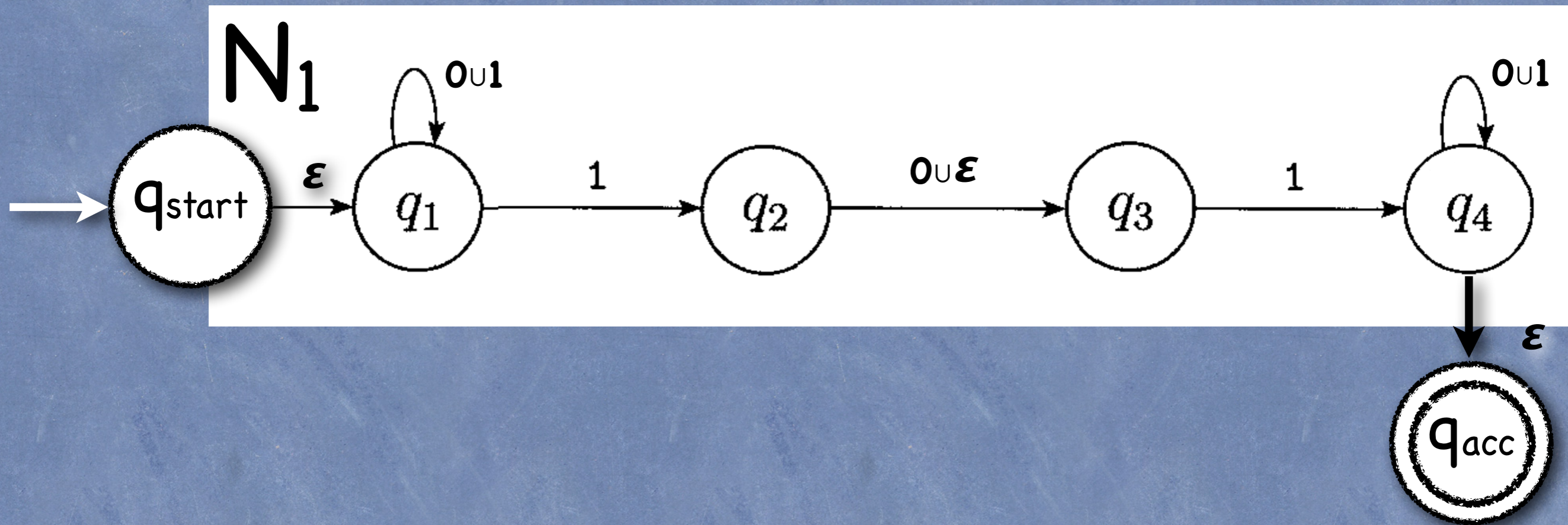
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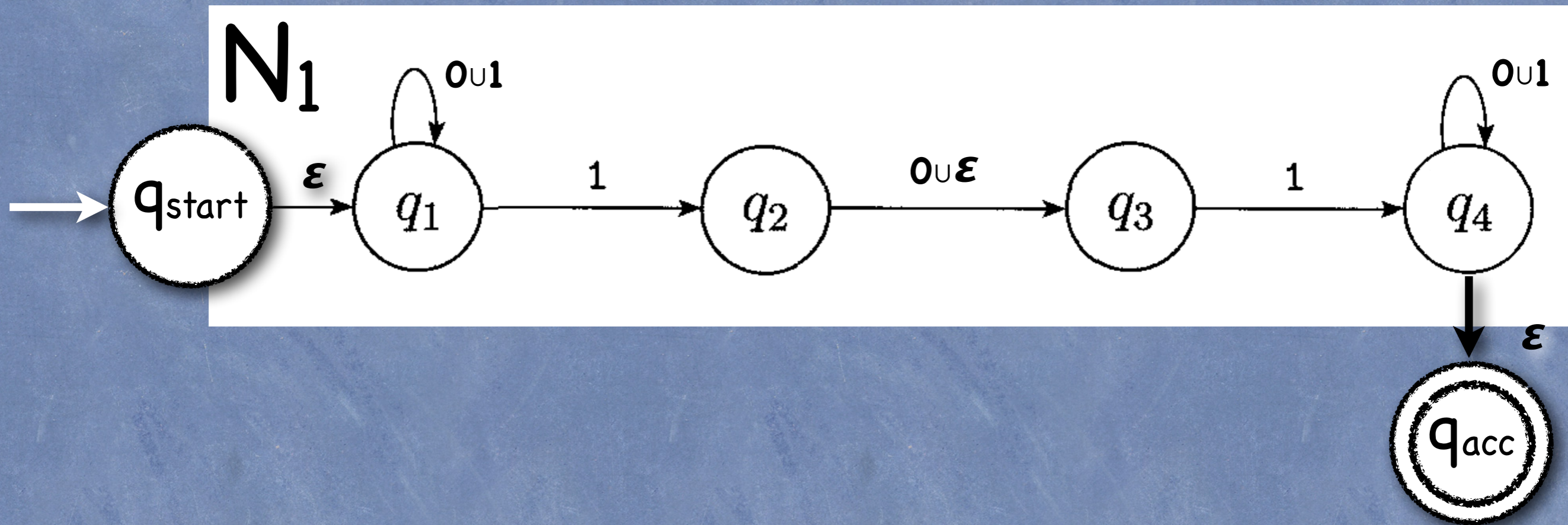


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Example NFA \rightarrow GNFA

G_1



DFA \rightarrow GNFA \rightarrow Reg. Exp.

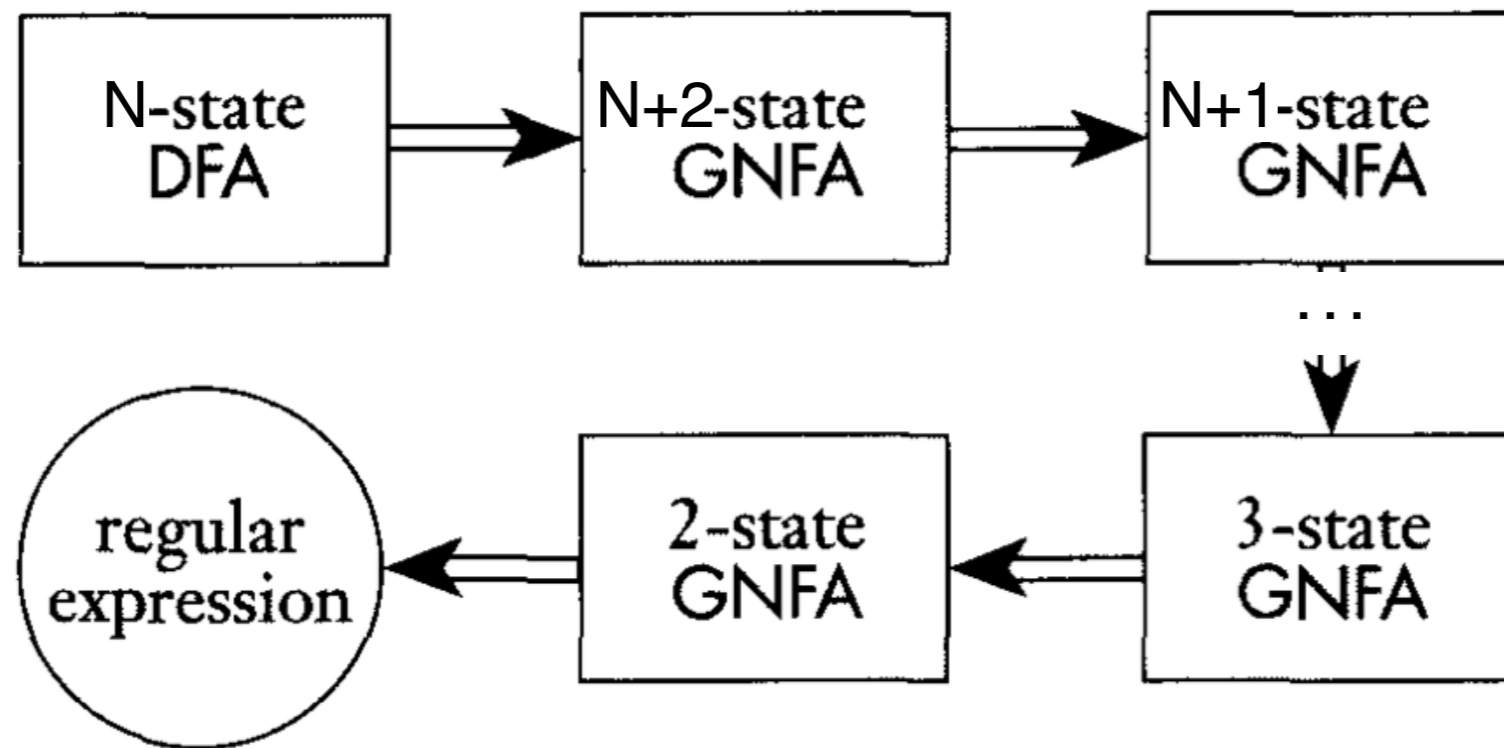
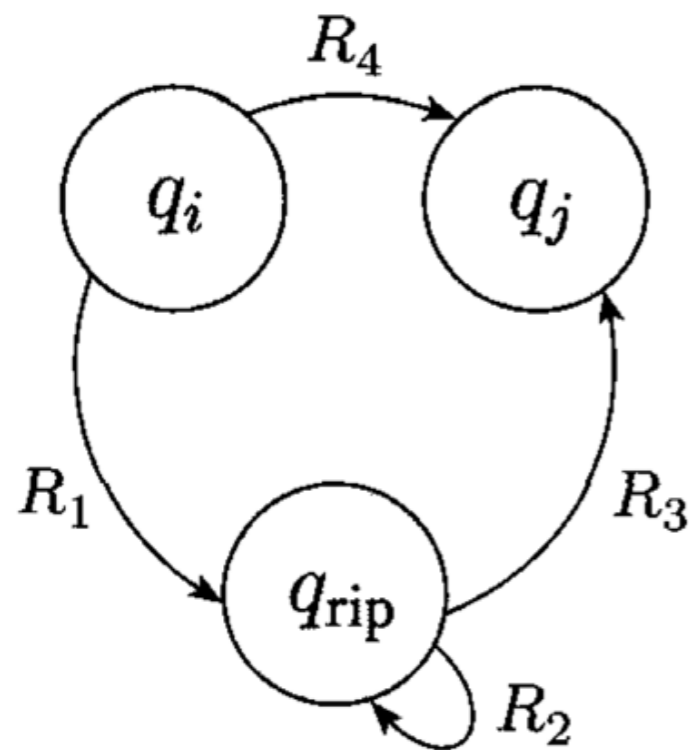


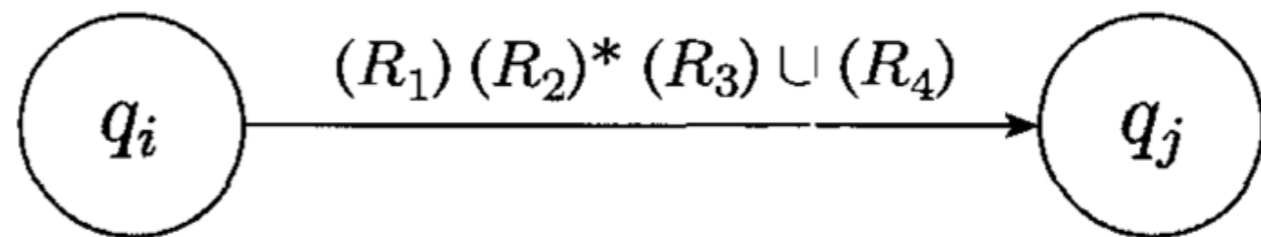
FIGURE 1.62

Typical stages in converting a DFA to a regular expression

Ripping a state



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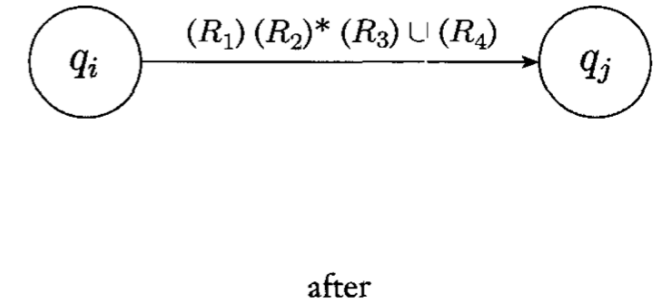
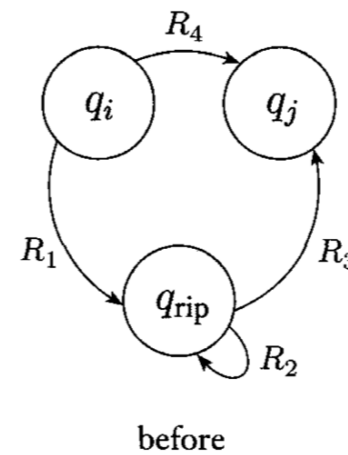


after

FIGURE 1.63

Constructing an equivalent GNFA with one fewer state

GNFA \rightarrow Reg. Exp.



CONVERT(G):

1. Let k be the number of states of G .
2. If $k = 2$, then G must consist of a start state, an accept state, and a single arrow connecting them and labeled with a regular expression R .
Return the expression R .
3. If $k > 2$, we select any state $q_{rip} \in Q$ different from q_{start} and q_{accept} and let G' be the GNFA $(Q', \Sigma, \delta', q_{start}, q_{accept})$, where

$$Q' = Q - \{q_{rip}\},$$

and for any $q_i \in Q' - \{q_{accept}\}$ and any $q_j \in Q' - \{q_{start}\}$ let

$$\delta'(q_i, q_j) = (R_1)(R_2)^*(R_3) \cup (R_4),$$

for $R_1 = \delta(q_i, q_{rip})$, $R_2 = \delta(q_{rip}, q_{rip})$, $R_3 = \delta(q_{rip}, q_j)$, and $R_4 = \delta(q_i, q_j)$.

4. Compute CONVERT(G') and return this value.

GNFA \rightarrow Reg. Expression

CLAIM 1.65

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 $L(\text{CONVERT}(G)) = L(G)$

DFA \rightarrow GNFA \rightarrow Reg. Exp.

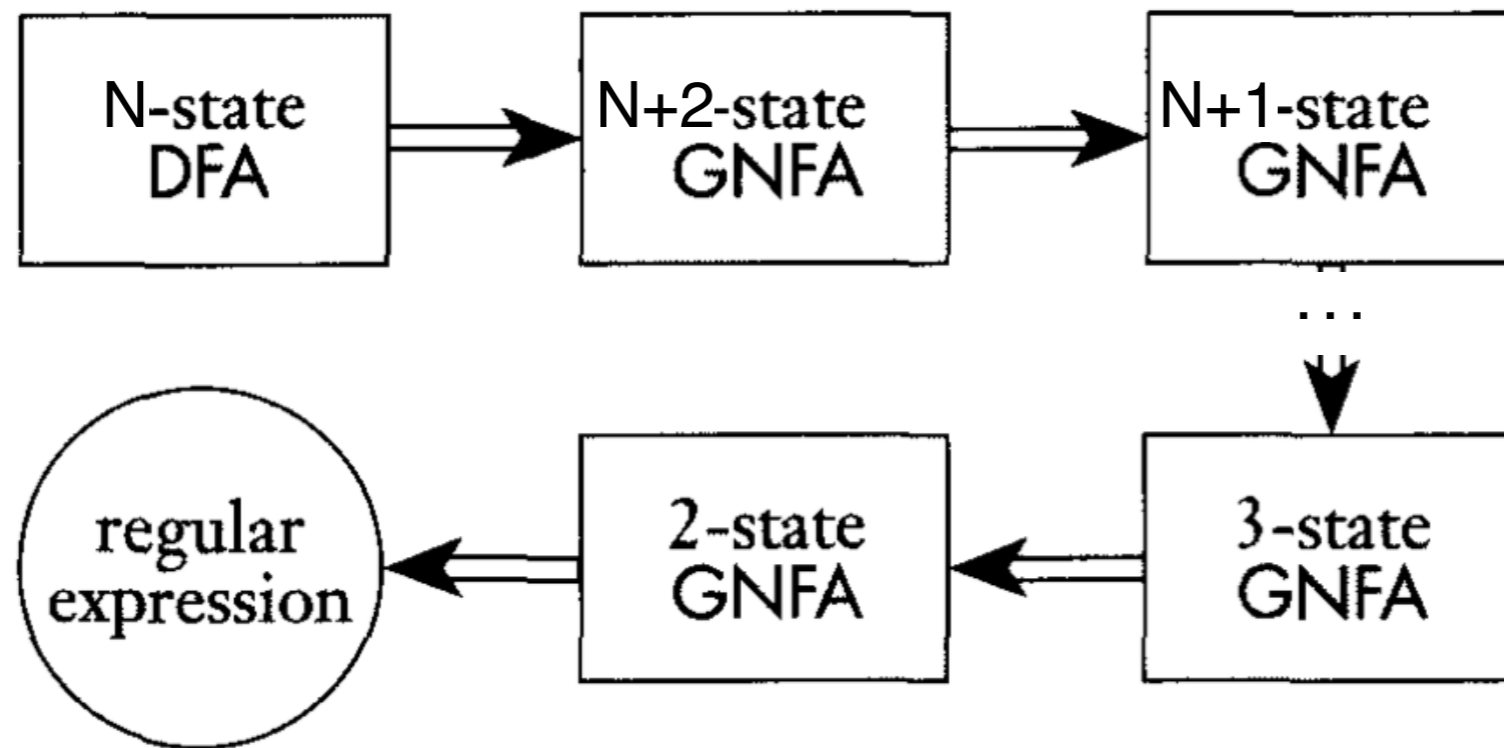


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Given two regular expressions R and R' we can find out whether they generate the same regular language or not :

1. From R and R' , compute NFAs N and N' accepting $L(R)$ and $L(R')$ (Lemma 1.55).
2. Compute equivalent DFAs M and M' (Thm 1.39).
3. Using part (b) of Myhill-Nerode we construct minimal DFAs W for M and W' for M' .
4. $L(R)=L(R')$ iff $W \approx W'$
(\approx means "identical up to state renaming").

Regular and non-Regular Languages

footnote 3 page 46:

- Let $M_A = (Q_A, \Sigma, \delta_A, q_{0A}, F_A)$ be a DFA accepting L_A and $M_B = (Q_B, \Sigma, \delta_B, q_{0B}, F_B)$ be a DFA accepting L_B .
- Consider $M_U = (Q_A \times Q_B, \Sigma, \delta_U, (q_{0A}, q_{0B}), F_U)$ where
$$\delta_U((q, q'), s) = (\delta_A(q, s), \delta_B(q', s))$$
 for all q, q', s and
$$F_U = (F_A \times Q_B) \cup (Q_A \times F_B).$$
- $L_U = L_A \cup L_B$.
- $F_U = F_A \times F_B$ 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

- $B = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$
- $C = \{ w \mid w \text{ contains an equal number of 0's and 1's} \}$
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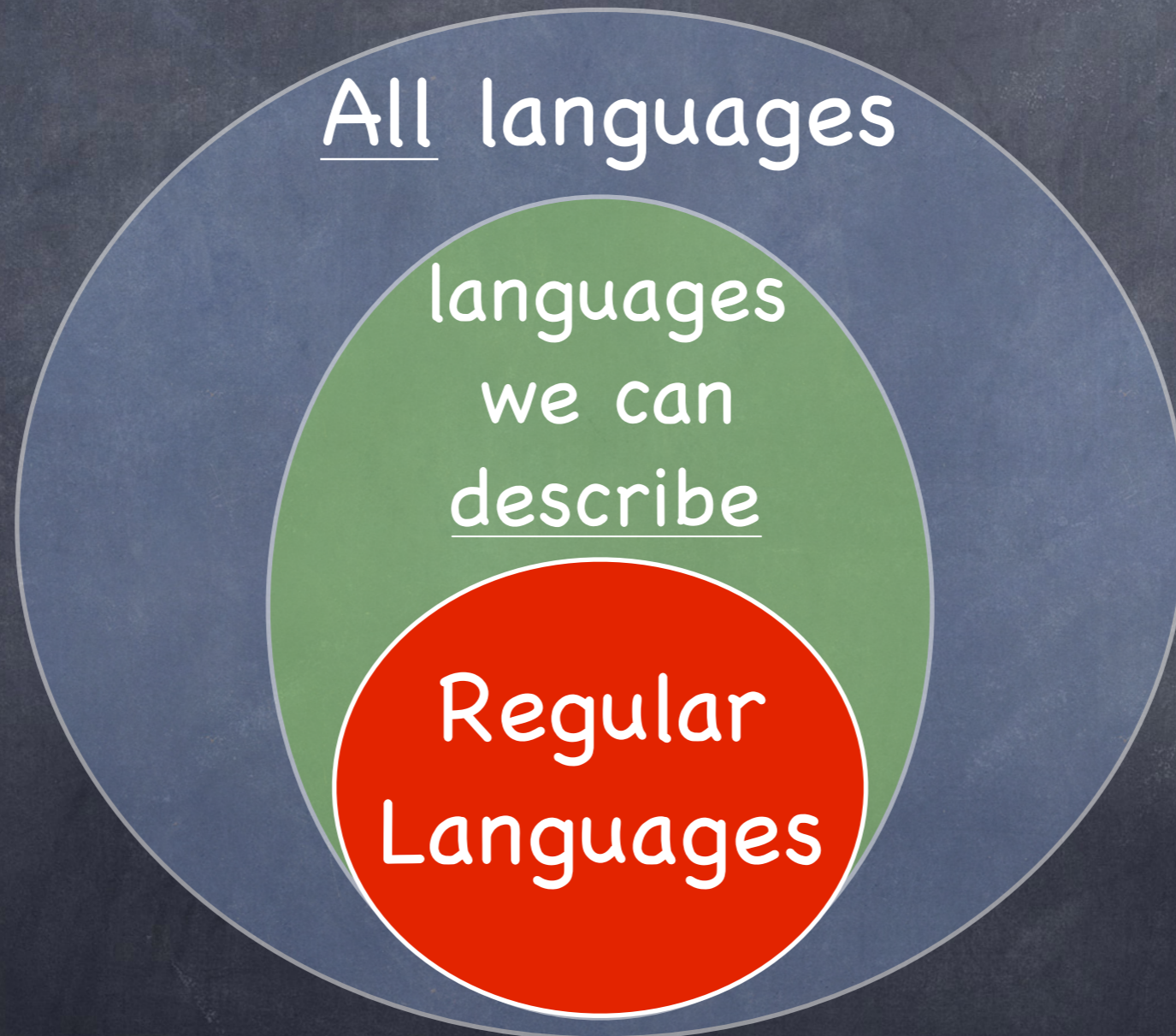
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Computability Theory

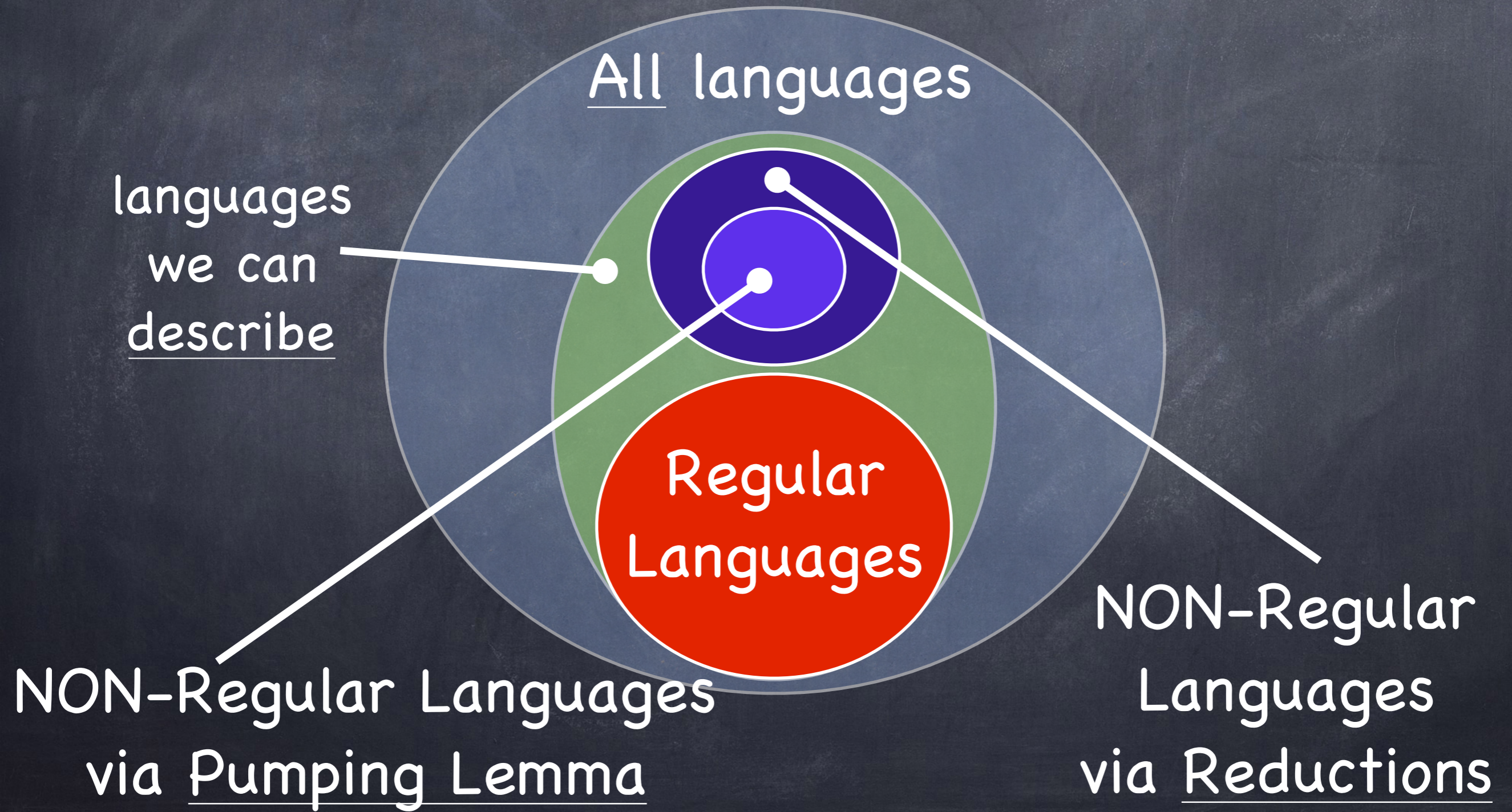


NON-Regular Languages

- Theorem: Some languages are not regular.

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

Computability Theory



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 .

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

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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.

Pumping Lemma



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NON-Regular Languages

THEOREM 1.70

Pumping lemma If A is a regular language, then there is a number p (the pumping length) where, if s is any string in A of length at least p , then s may be divided into three pieces, $s = xyz$, satisfying the following conditions:

1. for each $i \geq 0$, $xy^iz \in A$,
2. $|y| > 0$, and
3. $|xy| \leq p$.

- Application: any language that does not satisfy the pumping lemma is non-regular.
- Note however that some non-regular languages DO satisfy the Pumping Lemma...

Pumping Lemma

☞ If $|xyz| > \text{number-of-states}$ then q_9 exists...

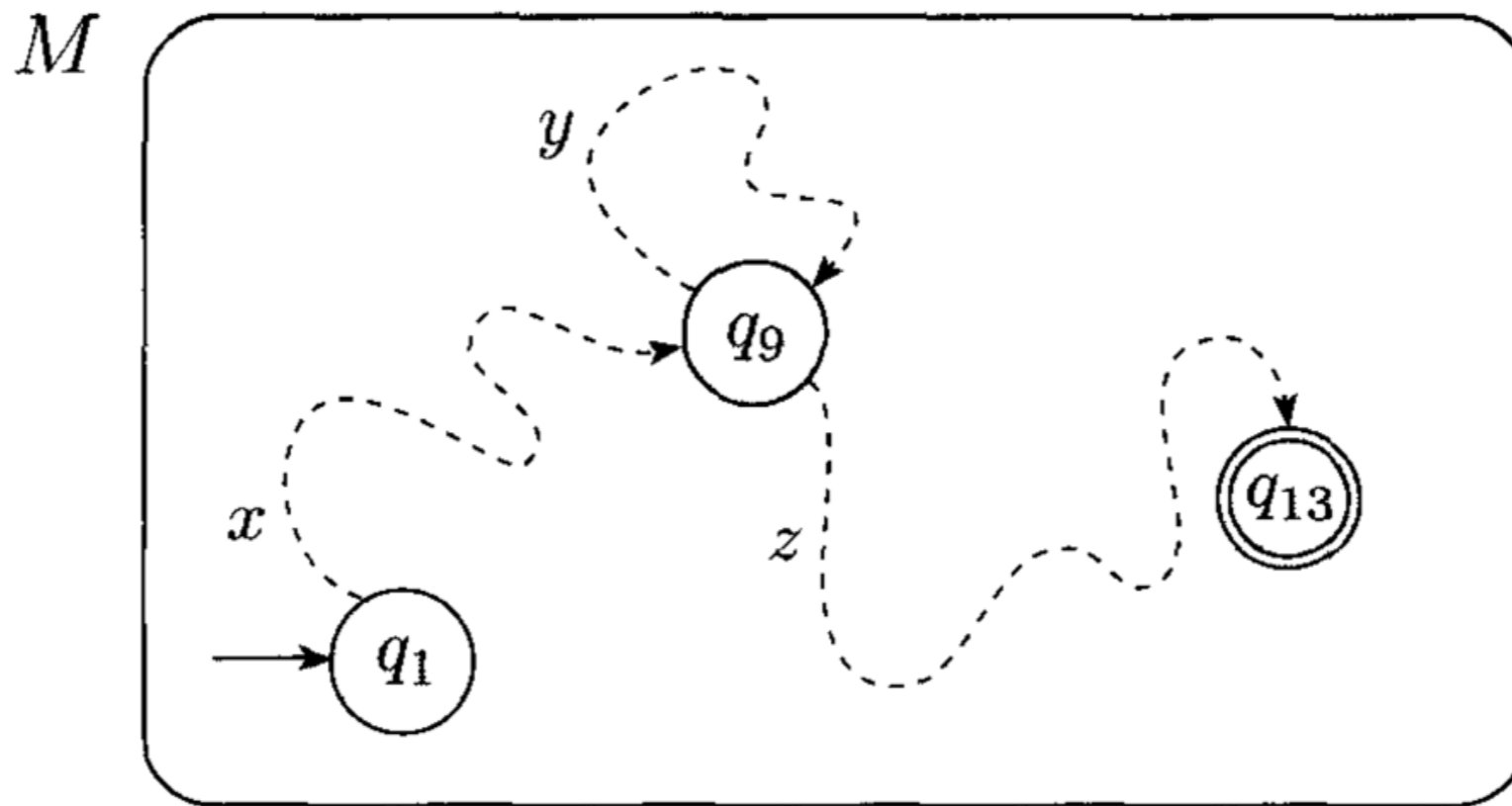


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Example showing how the strings x , y , and z affect M

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NON-Application of the Pumping Lemma

1.54 Consider the language $F = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i, j, k \geq 0 \text{ and if } i = 1 \text{ then } j = k\}$.

a. Show that F is not regular.

b. Show that F acts like a regular language in the pumping lemma. In other words, give a pumping length p and demonstrate that F satisfies the three conditions of the pumping lemma for this value of p .

c. Explain why parts (a) and (b) do not contradict the pumping lemma.

• c. The Pumping Lemma says: if A is regular then 1., 2. and 3. are satisfied. It does not say: if A is not regular then 1., 2. or 3. is not satisfied... We can only conclude the opposite: if 1., 2. or 3. is not satisfied then A is not regular...

Application of the Pumping Lemma

- $D = \{ 1^{n^2} \mid n \geq 0 \}$ is NON-Regular.
- Assume D is regular. Then by the pumping Lemma there exists a pumping length p with properties 1., 2. and 3. satisfied. Take $n=p$ and obtain $s=1^{p^2}$. Let $i=|y| \leq p$. If we pump up we get $s''=xyyz=1^{p^2+i}$. Is it possible that both p^2 and p^2+i be perfect squares ? No! The next square after p is
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