Minimization

EECS 20

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Equivalence between state machines M1 and M2:

for every input signal, M1 and M2 produce the same output signal.

Bisimulation between M1 and M2:

the initial states of M1 and M2 are related, and for all related states p of M1 and q of M2,

for every input value, p and q produce the same output value, and the next states are again related.

Theorem: two state machines M1 and M2 are equivalent iff there is a bisimulation between M1 and M2.

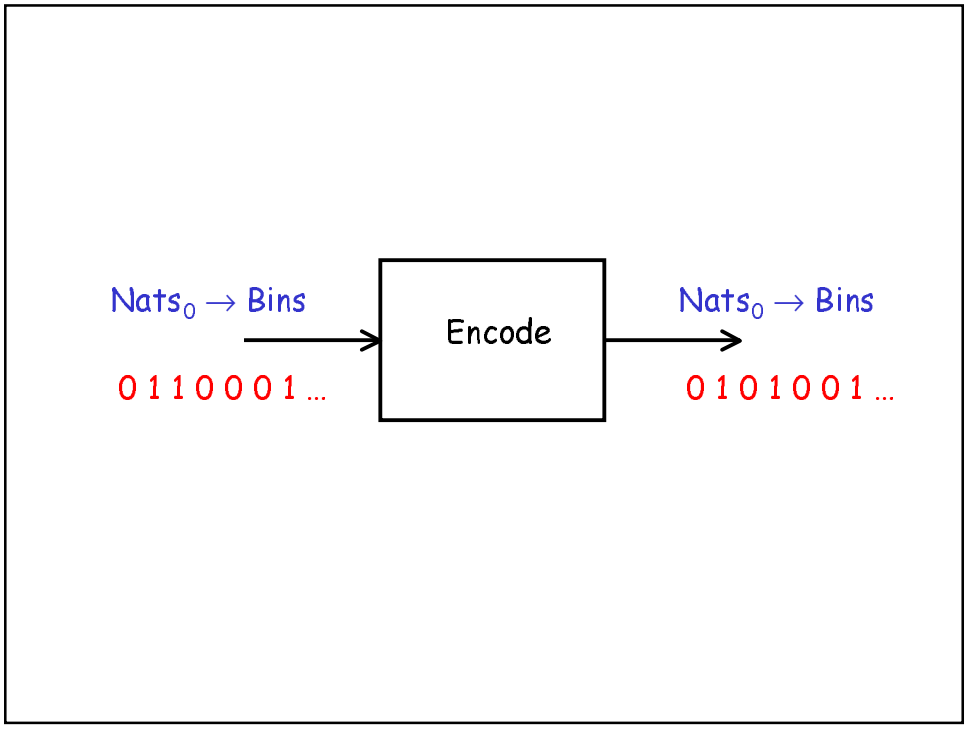
How do we find a bisimulation ?

Edge Encoder

Encode : $[\ Nats_0 \rightarrow Bins\ ] \rightarrow [\ Nats_0 \rightarrow Bins\ ]$

such that $\forall\ x \in [\ Nats_0 \rightarrow Bins\ ]\ ,\ \forall\ y \in Nats_0,$

$$(Encode\ (x))\ (y) = \begin{cases} x\ (y) & \text{if } y = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } y > 0 \text{ and } x\ (y) = x\ (y\text{-}1) \\ 1 & \text{if } y > 0 \text{ and } x\ (y) \neq x\ (y\text{-}1) \end{cases}$$



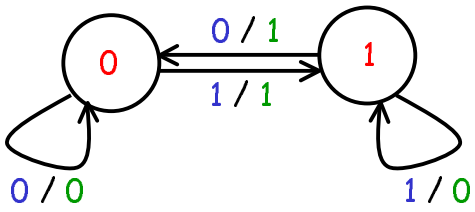
Edge Encoder

State between time t-1 and t:

0 if t > 0 and input at time t-1 was 0

1 if t > 0 and input at time t-1 was 1

Edge Encoder



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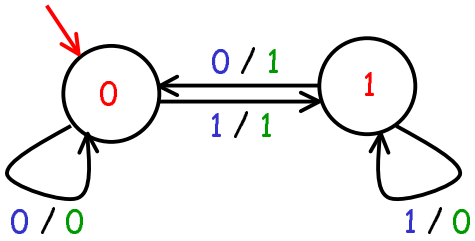

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State between time t-1 and t:

0 if t > 0 and input at time t-1 was 0, or t = 0

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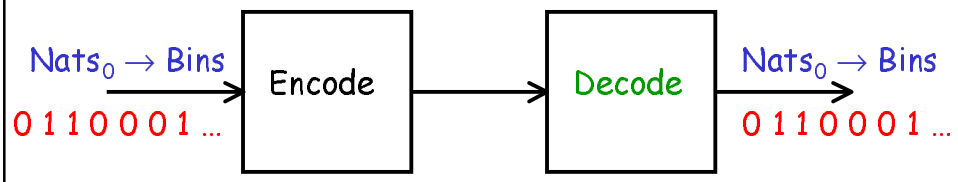

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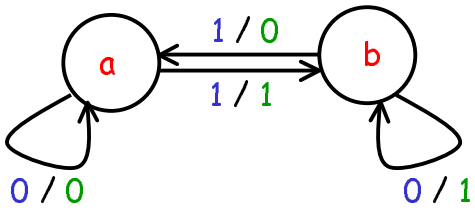

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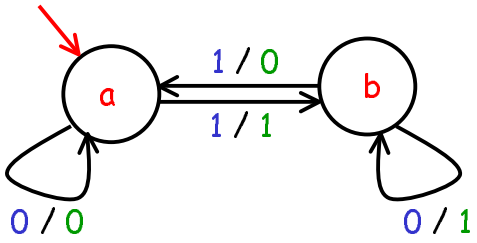

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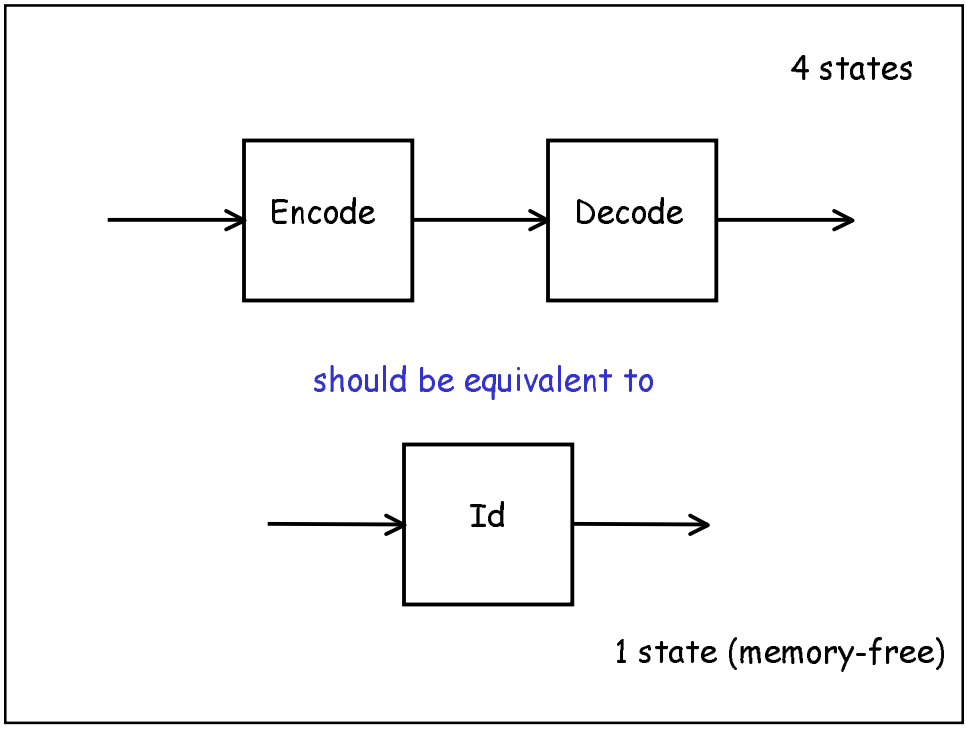
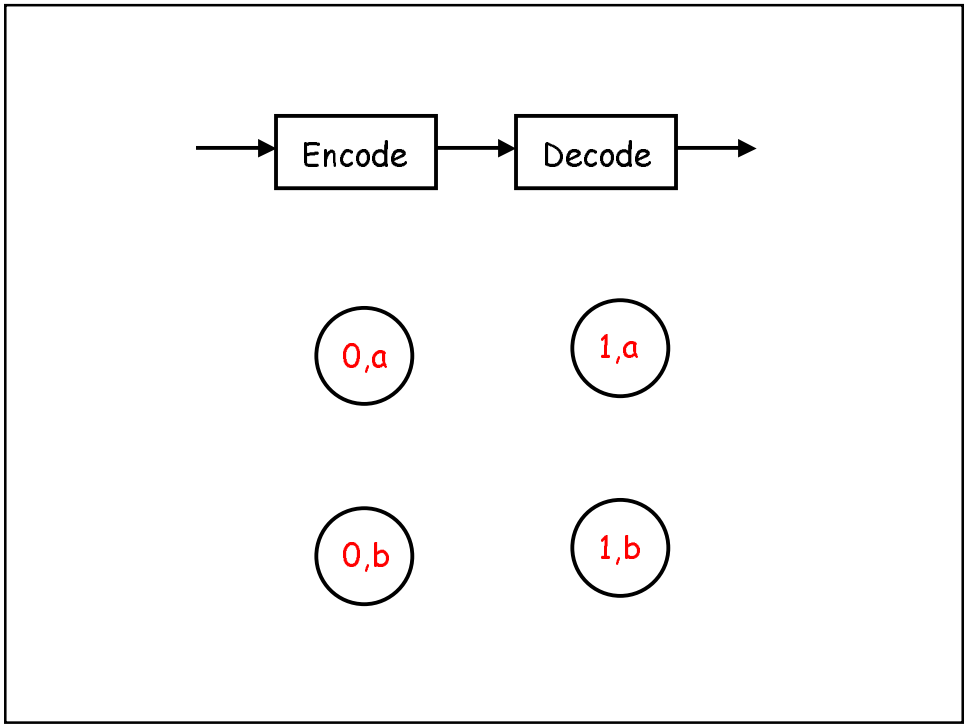

4 states
Encode
Decode
should be equivalent to
Id
1 state (memory-free)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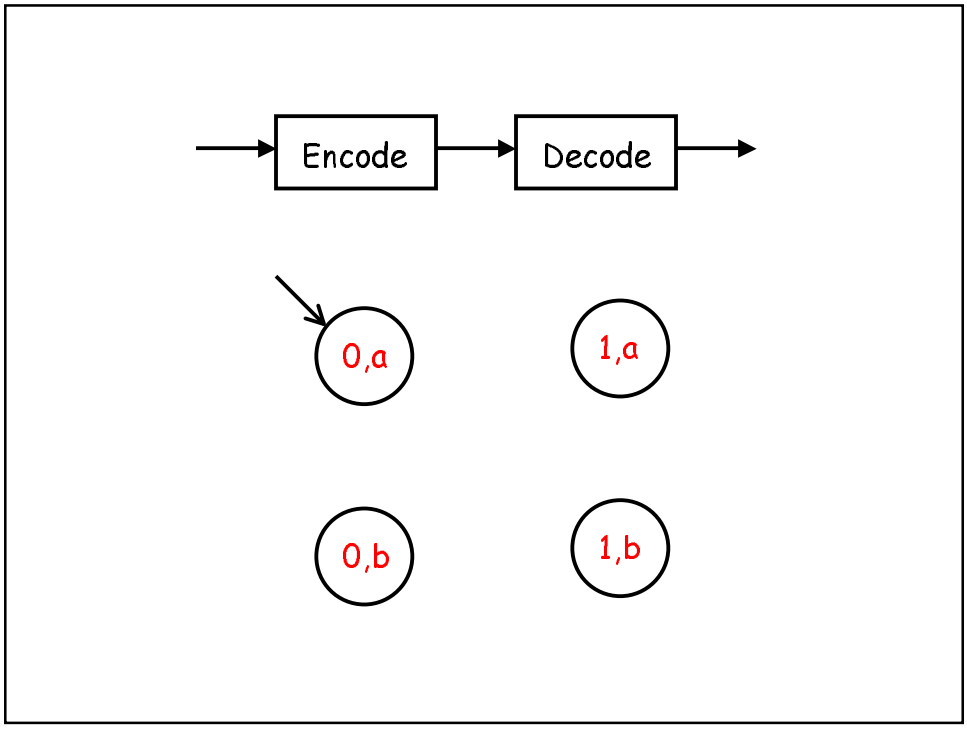
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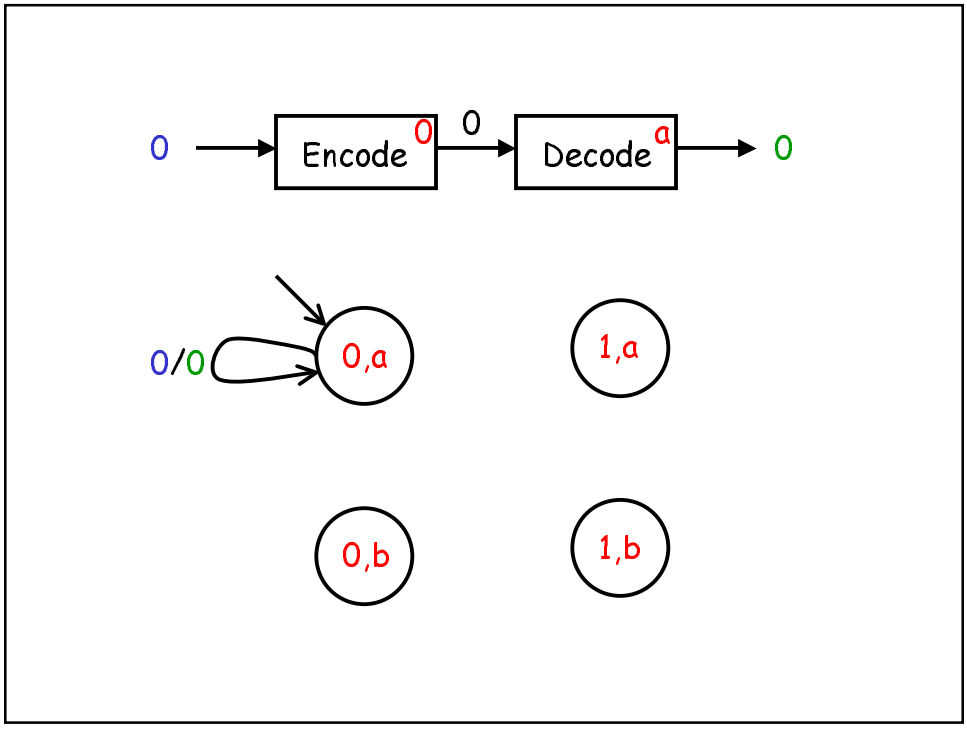
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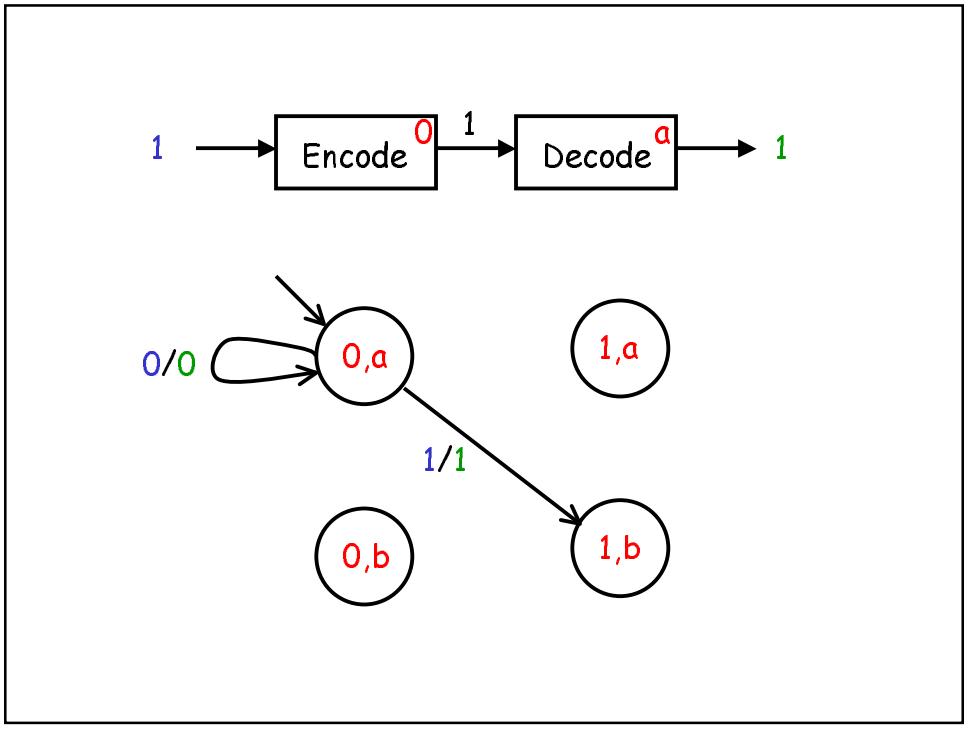
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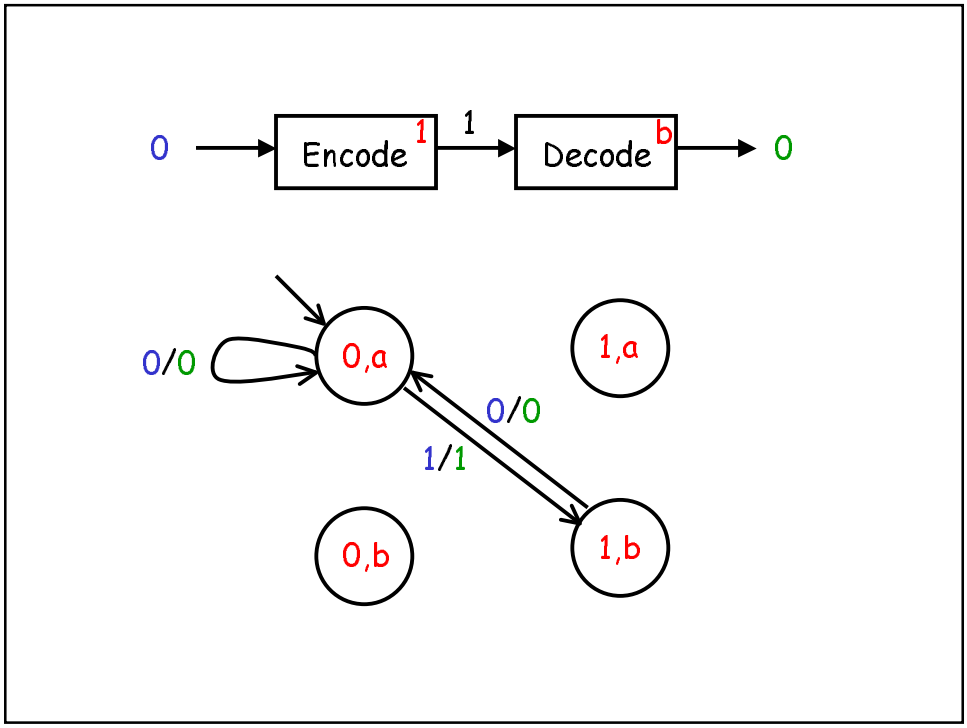
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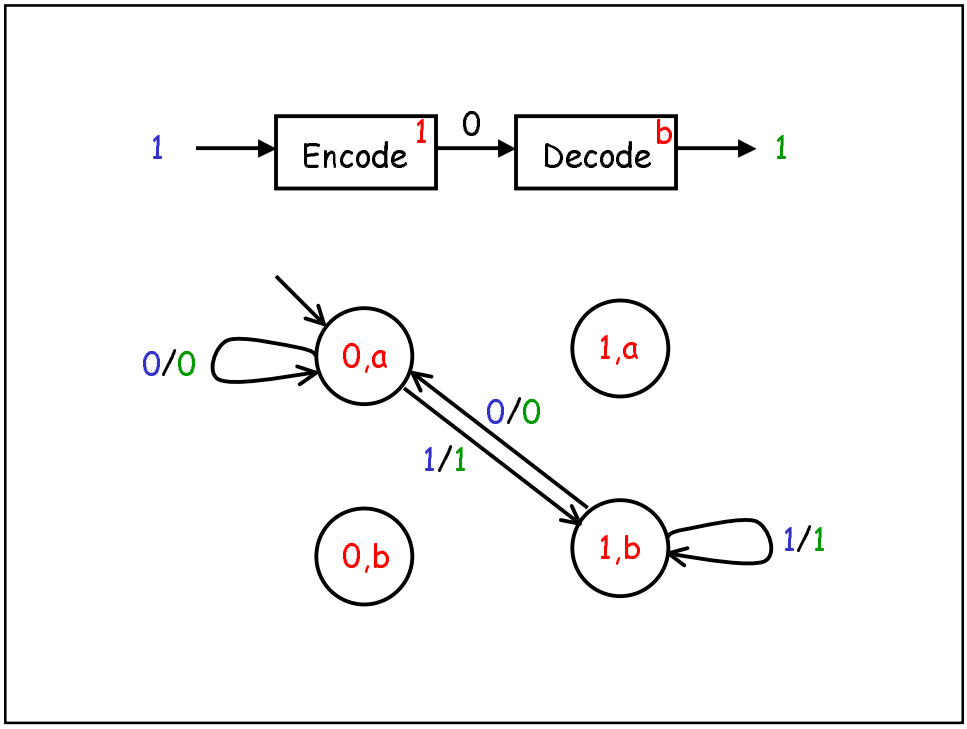
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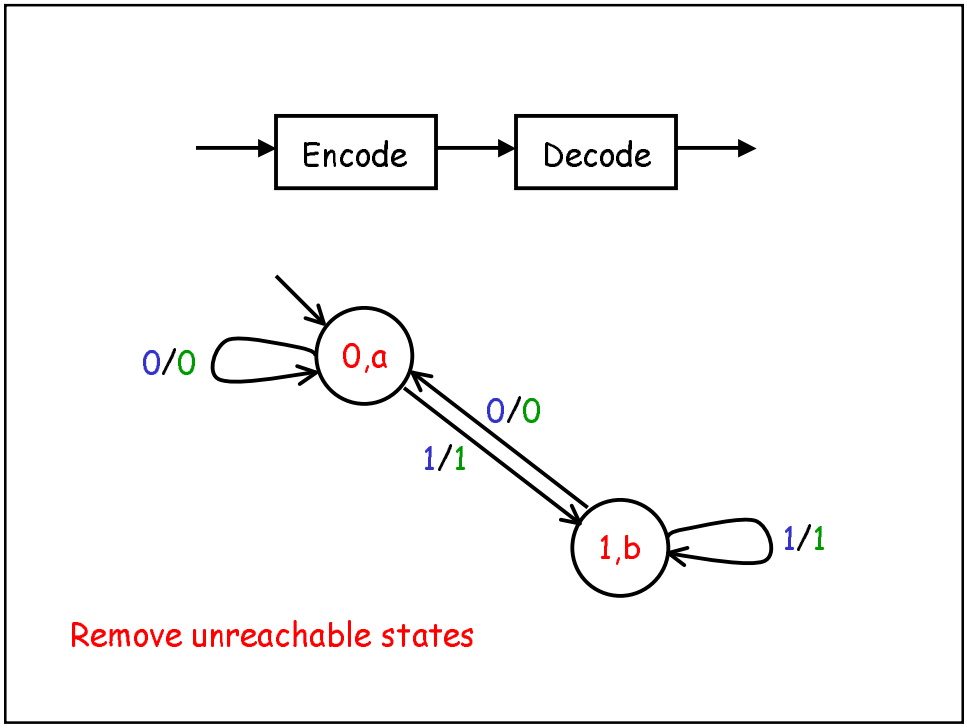
Encode
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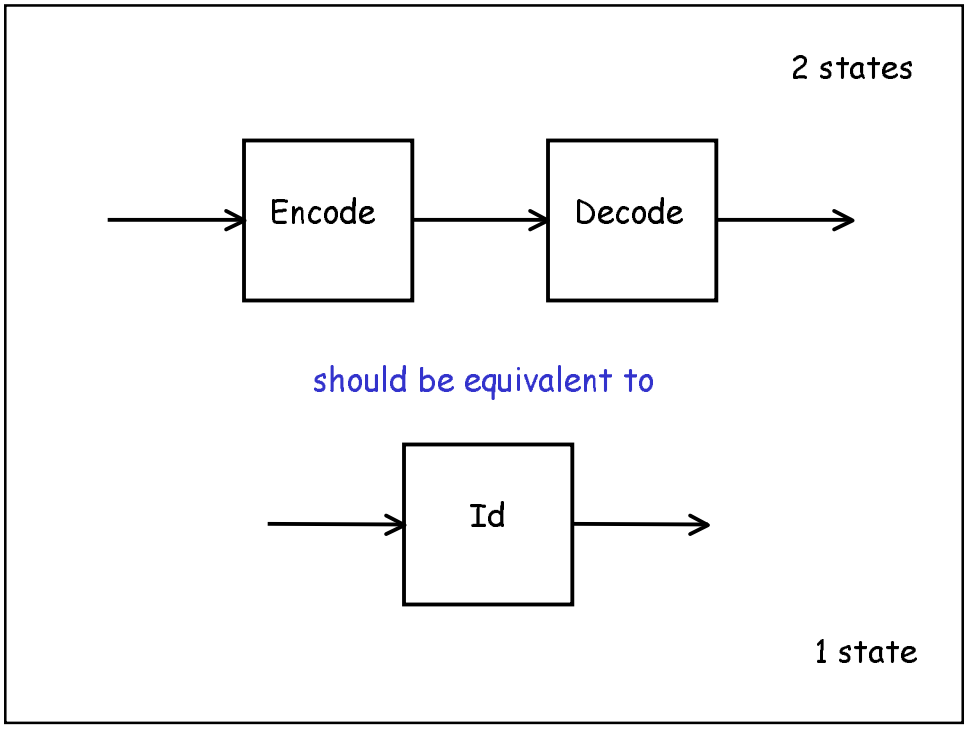
Remove unreachable states


2 states
Encode
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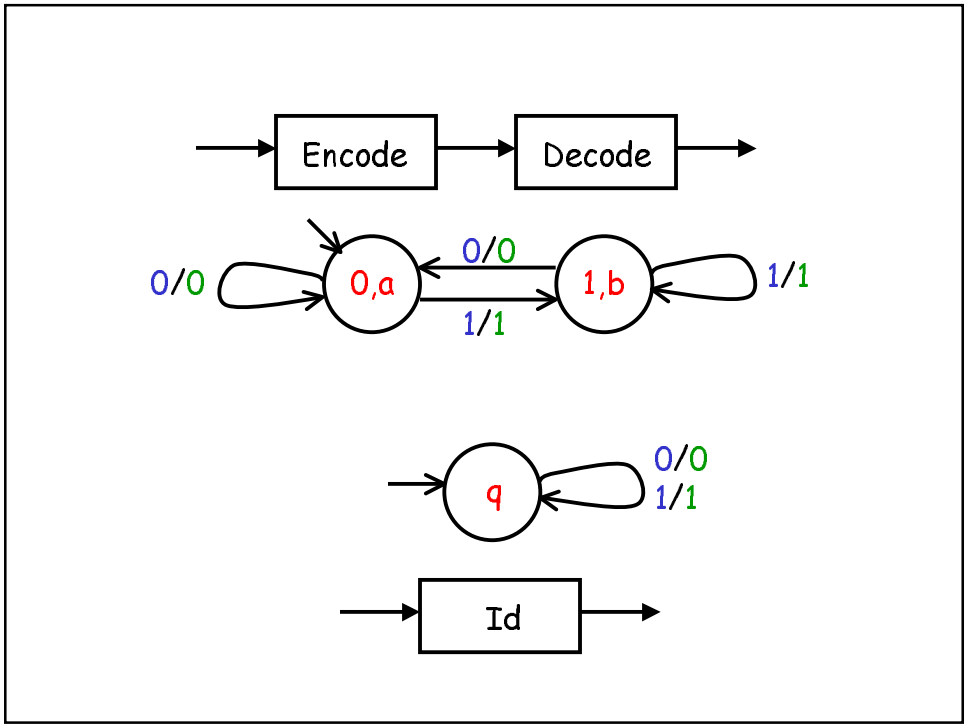
should be equivalent to
Id
1 state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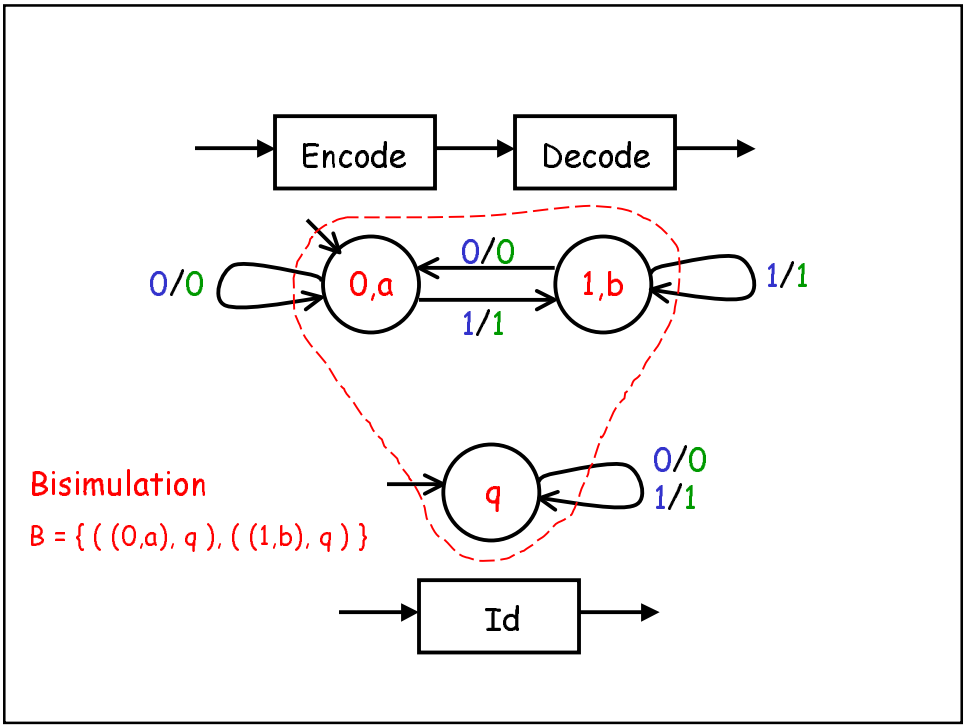

The Minimization Algorithm

Input : state machine M

Output : minimize (M), the state machine with the fewest states that is bisimilar to M

(the result is unique up to renaming of states)

If minimize (M) = N , then:

1. M and N are bisimilar
   (i.e., there is a bisimulation between M and N).
2. For every state machine N' that is bisimilar to M:
   2a. N' has at least as many states as N.
   2b. If N' has the same number of states as N,
   then N' and N differ only in the names of states.

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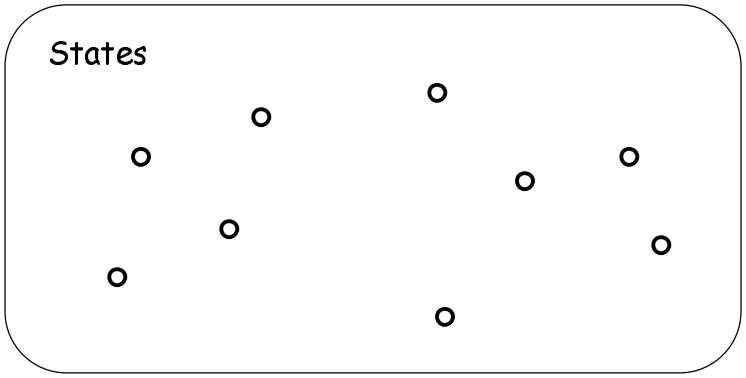

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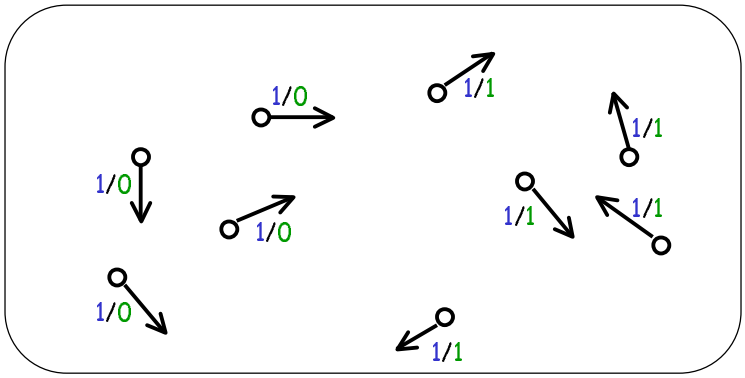

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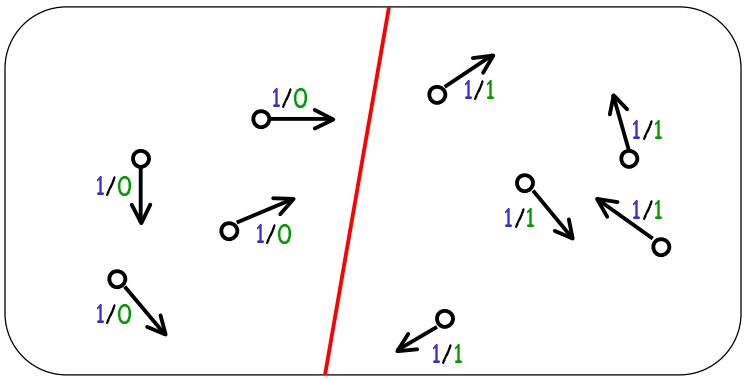

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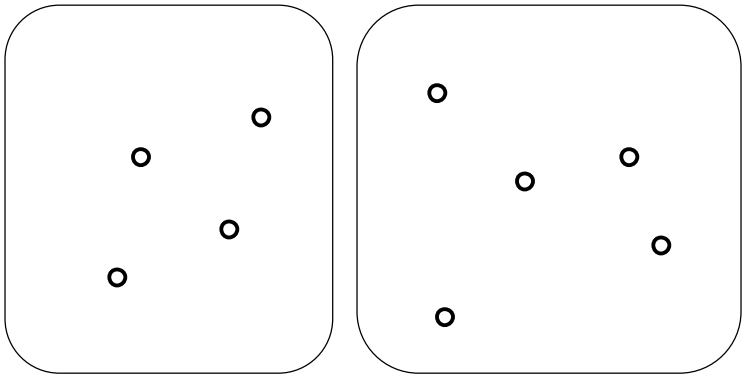

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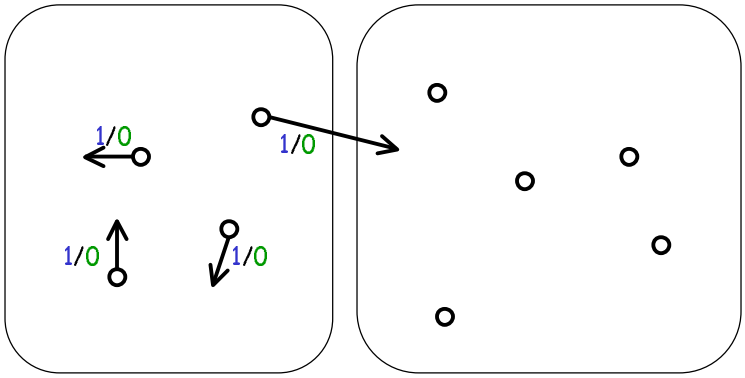

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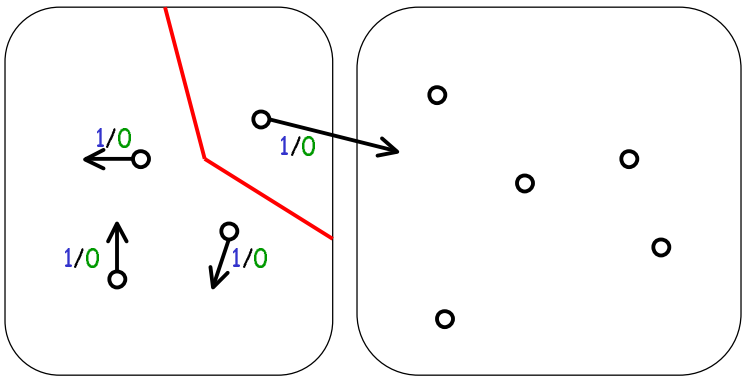

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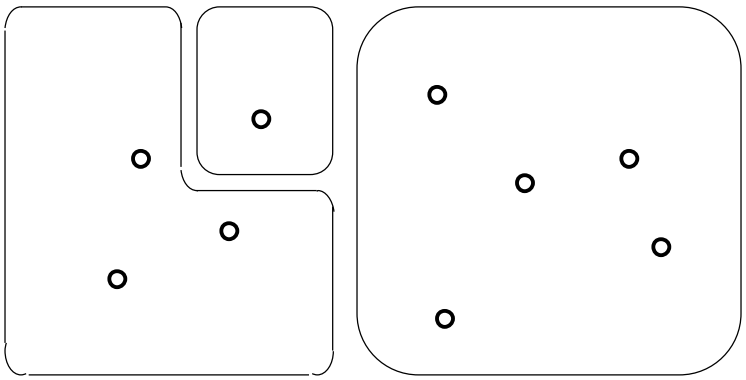

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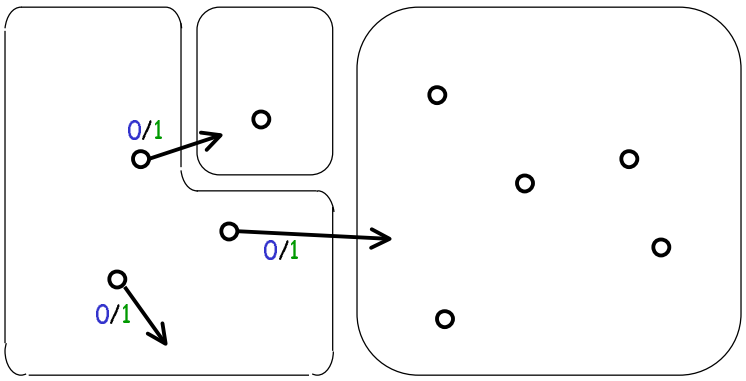

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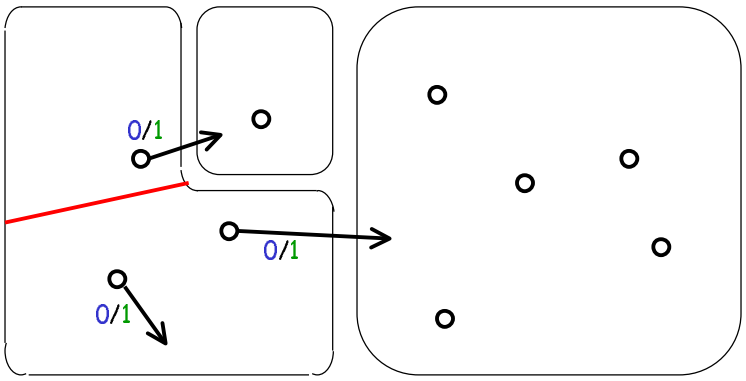

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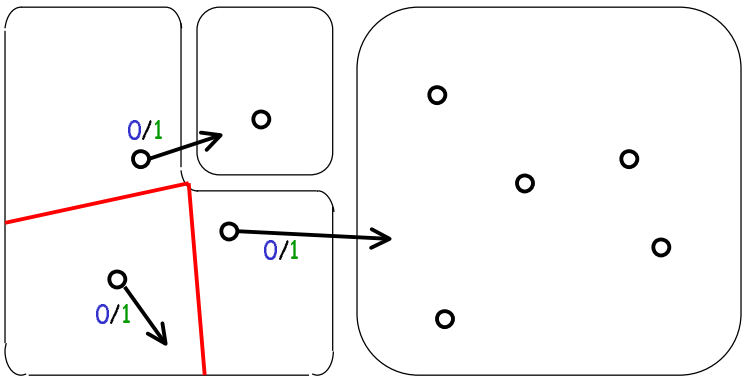

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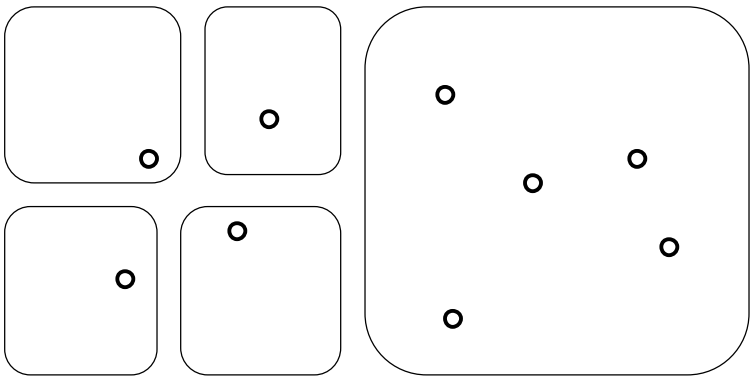


The Minimization Algorithm

1. Let Q be set of all reachable states of M.
2. Maintain a set P of state sets:

   Initially let P = { Q }.

   2a. Repeat until no longer possible: output split P.

   2b. Repeat until no longer possible: next-state split P.
3. When done, every state set in P represents a single state of the smallest state machine bisimilar to M.

Output split P

If there exist

a state set $R \in P$
two states $r1 \in R$ and $r2 \in R$
an input $x \in$ Inputs

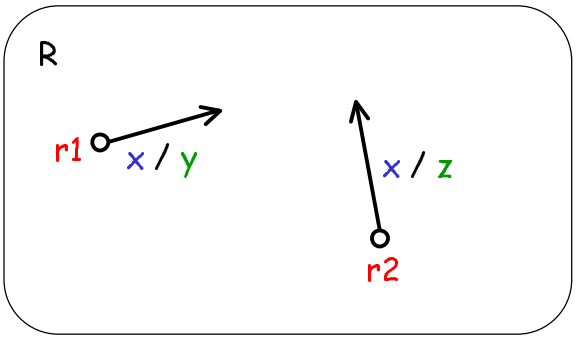
such that

$\text{output}(r1, x) \neq \text{output}(r2, x)$

then

let $R1 = \{ r \in R \mid \text{output}(r,x) = \text{output}(r1,x) \}$;
let $R2 = R \setminus R1$;
let $P = (P \setminus \{R\}) \cup \{R1, R2\}$.

Output split



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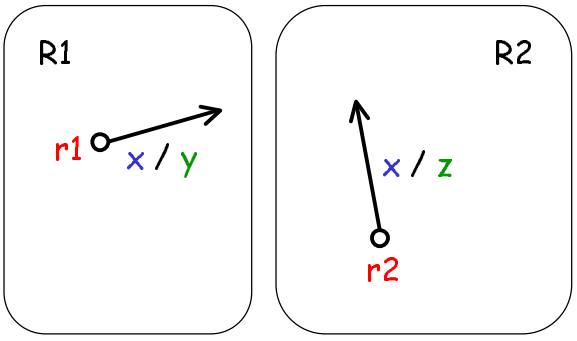

Next-state split P

If there exist

two state sets $R \in P$ and $R' \in P$
two states $r1 \in R$ and $r2 \in R$
an input $x \in Inputs$

such that

$nextState(r1, x) \in R'$ and $nextState(r2, x) \notin R'$

then

let $R1 = \{ r \in R \mid nextState(r,x) \in R' \}$;
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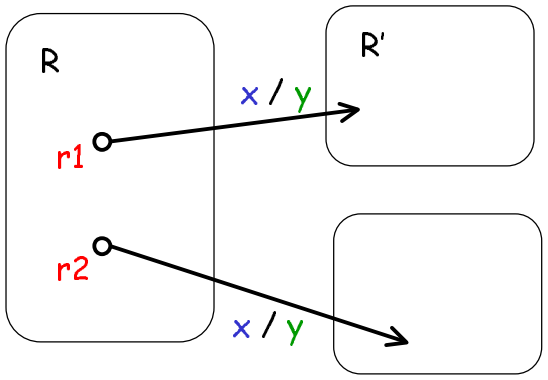
Next-state split



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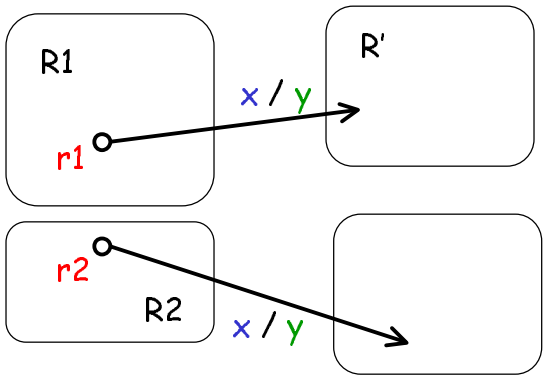

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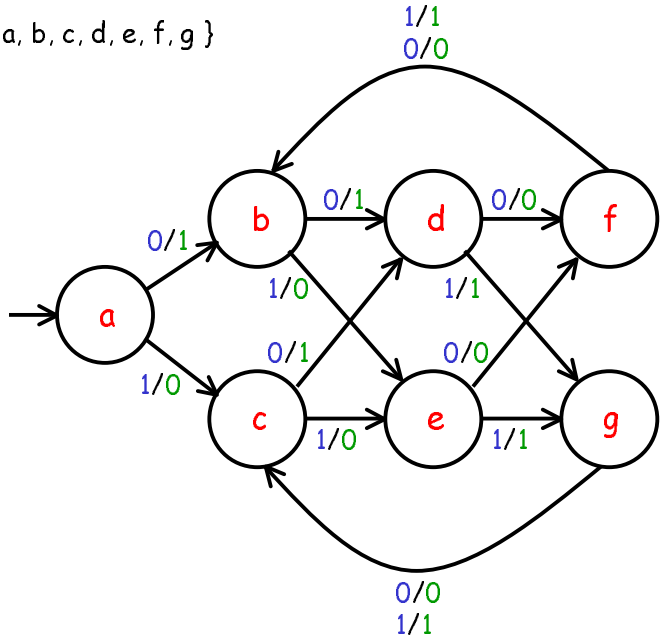

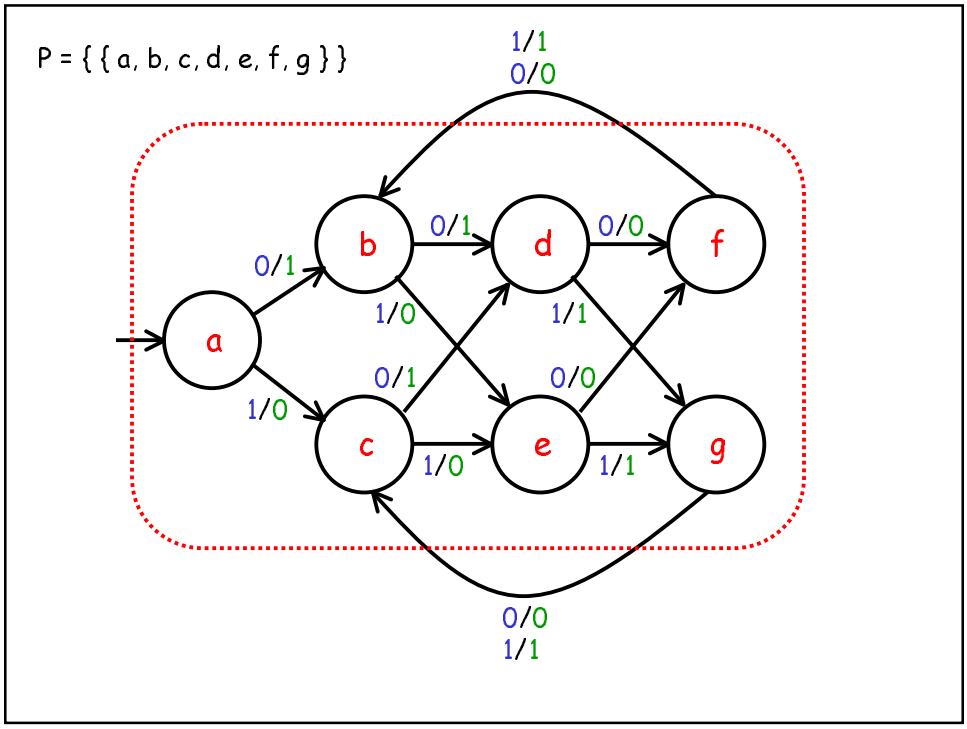
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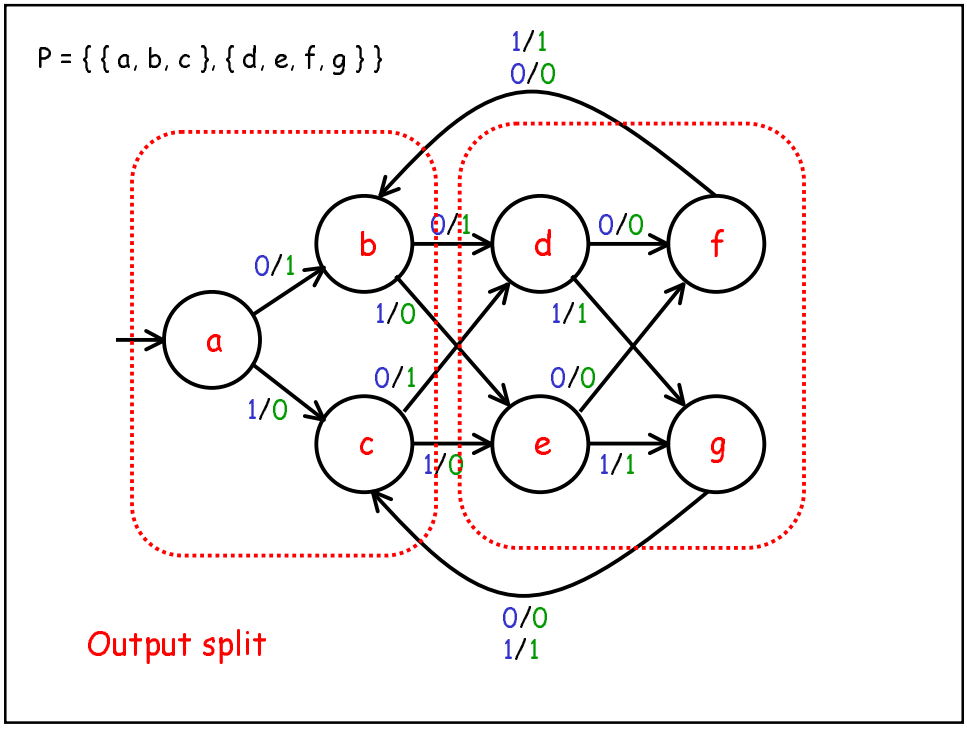
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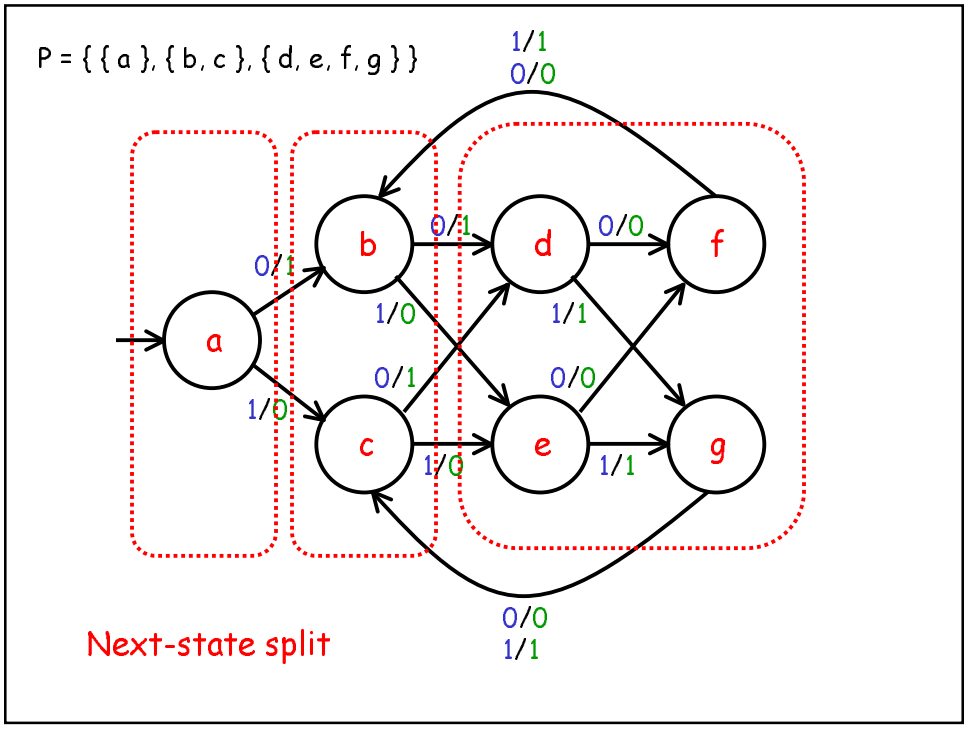
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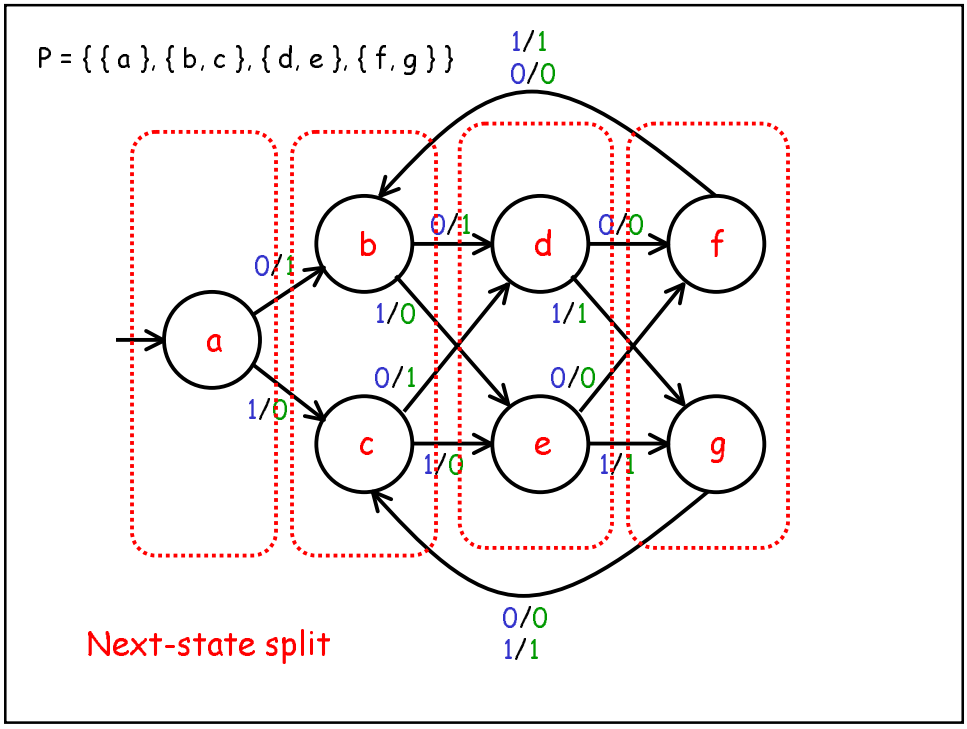
Next-state split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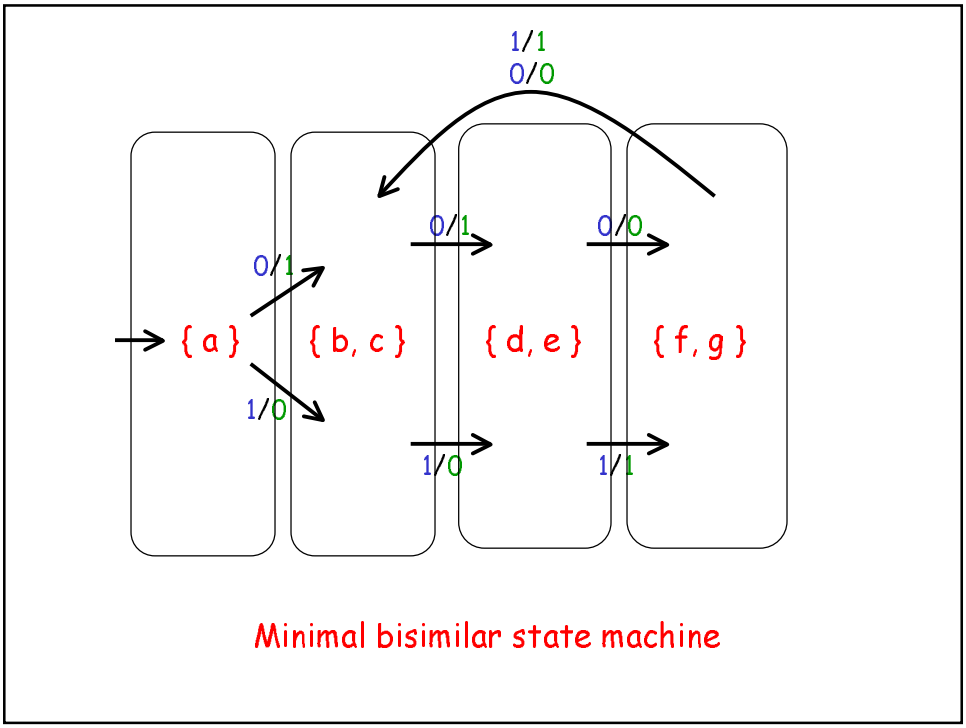
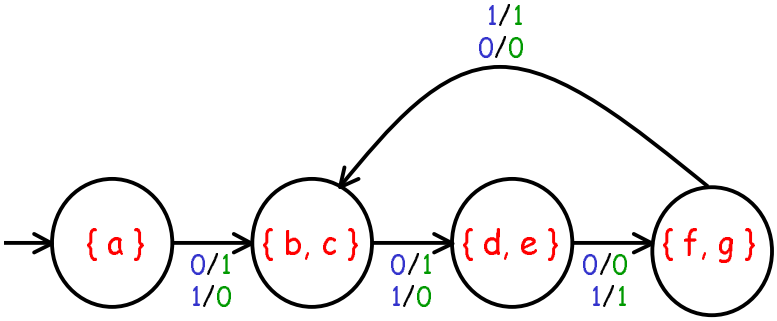


Minimal bisimilar state machine



4 instead of 7 states

Theorem:

There is a bisimulation between two state machines M1 and M2

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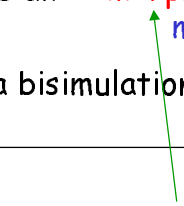
there is an isomorphism between minimize (M1) and minimize (M2)

(i.e., a bisimulation that is a one-to-one and onto function).



a renaming of the states

How to check if M1 and M2 are equivalent :

1. Minimize M1 and call the result N1
2. Minimize M2 and call the result N2
3. Check if the states of N1 can be renamed so that N1 and N2 are identical