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Ch6: Transition system

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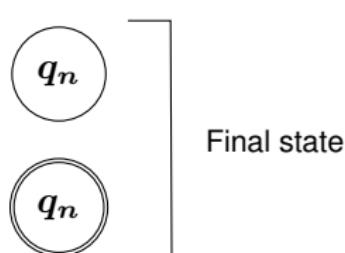
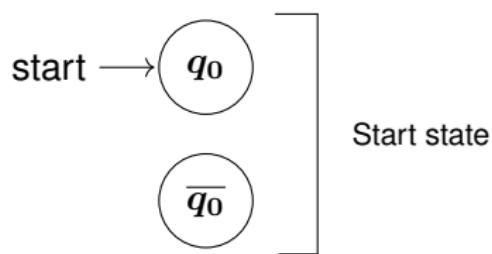
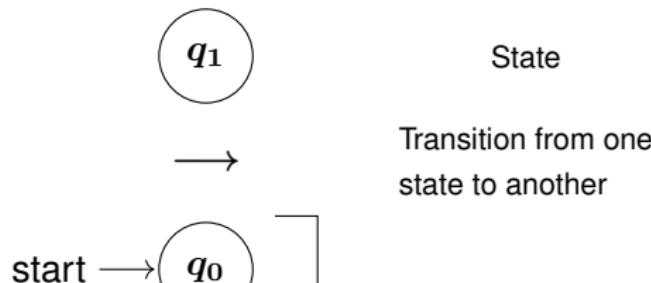
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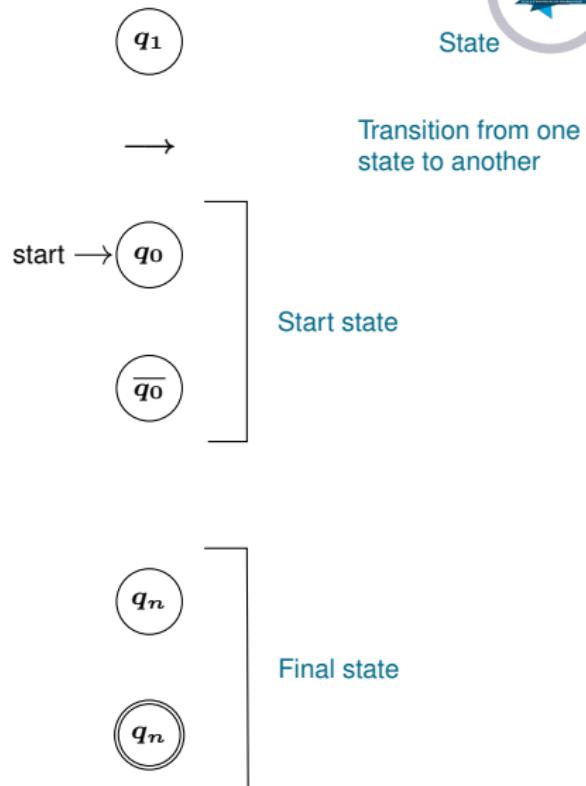
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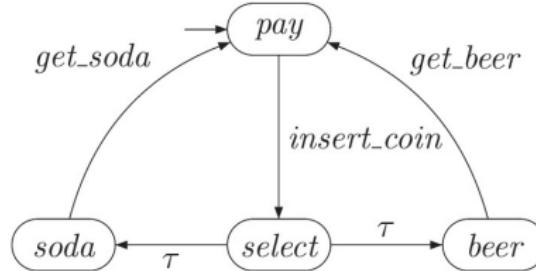
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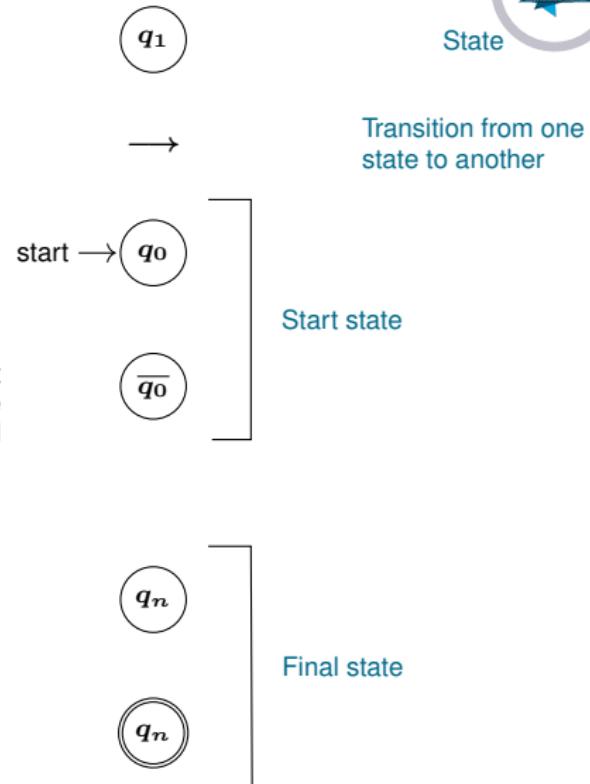
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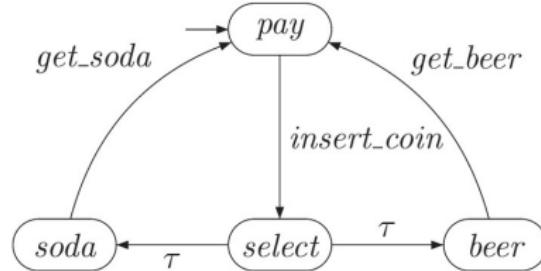




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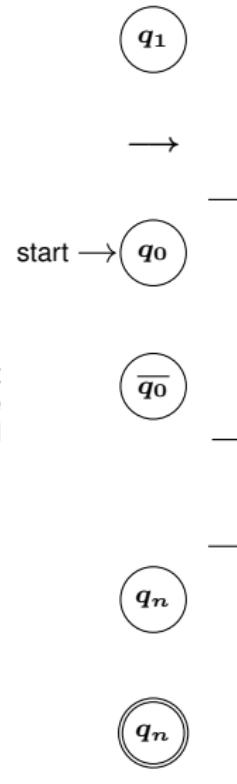
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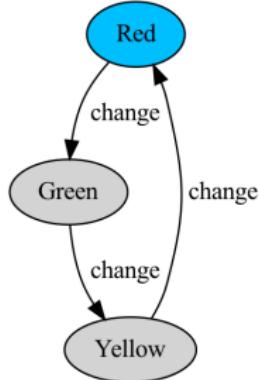




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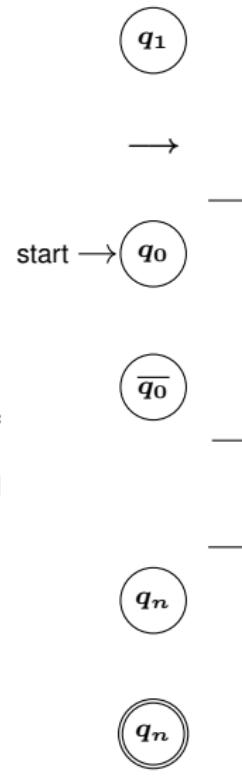
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- **State**: current mode of the system, current values of program variables, current color of a traffic light . . .
- **Transition** or state changes: mode switching, execution of a program instruction, change of color . . .



★ Preliminaries ★

Definition

A **proposition** is a statement that can be either true or false, but not both.

Example

- “Traffic light is green” is a proposition.
- “The front pad is occupied” is a proposition.
- “Is the front pad?” is not a proposition.

Definition

An **atomic proposition** is one whose truth or falsity does not depend on the truth or falsity of any other proposition.

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- All propositions above are atomic propositions.
- “If traffic light is green, the car can drive” is not an atomic proposition.

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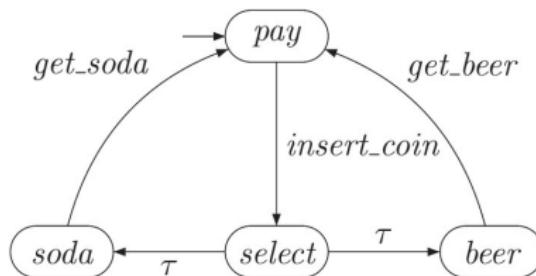
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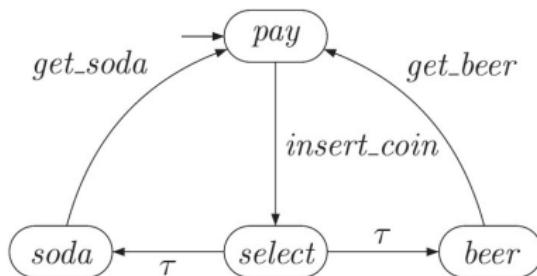
\mathbf{S} and \mathbf{Act} are either finite or countably infinite

Notation: sometimes we write $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$ instead of $(s, \alpha, s') \in \rightarrow$.

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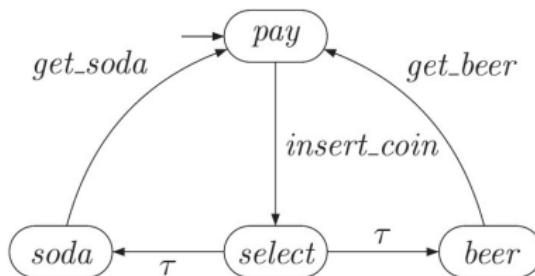


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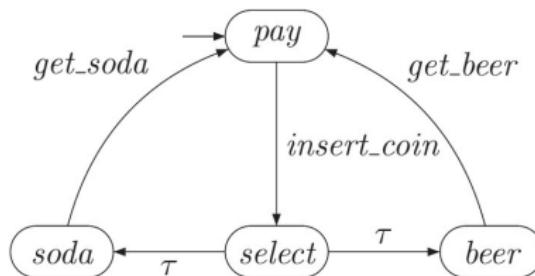
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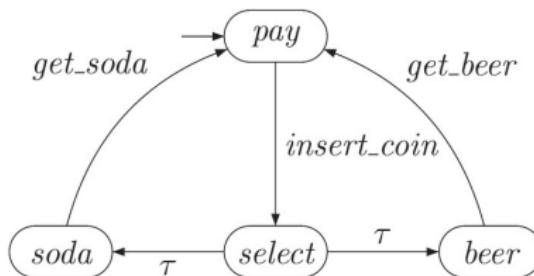
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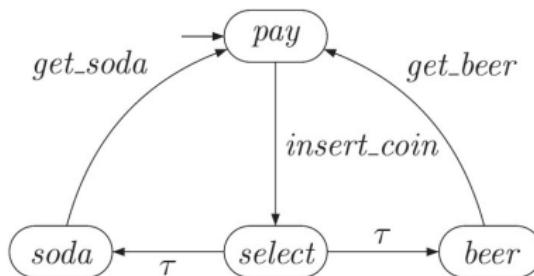
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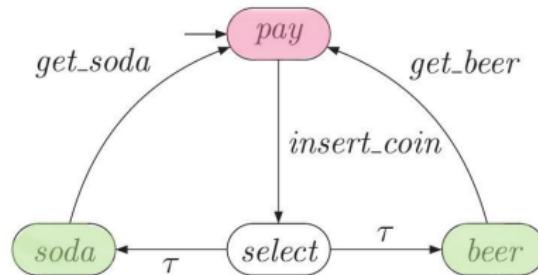
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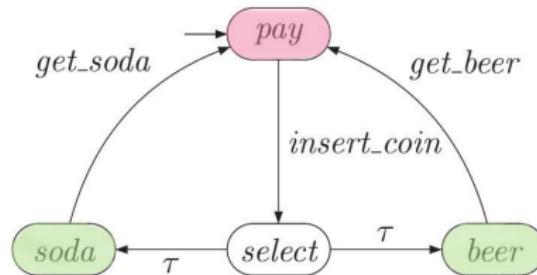


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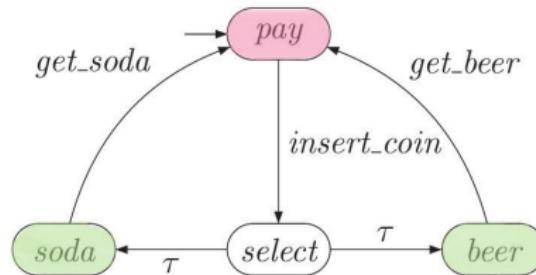


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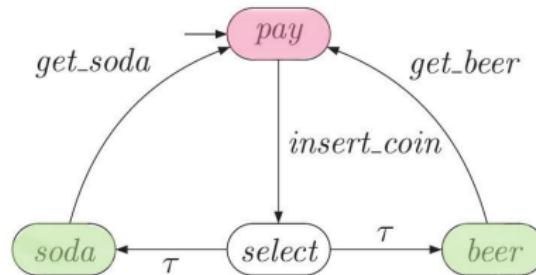
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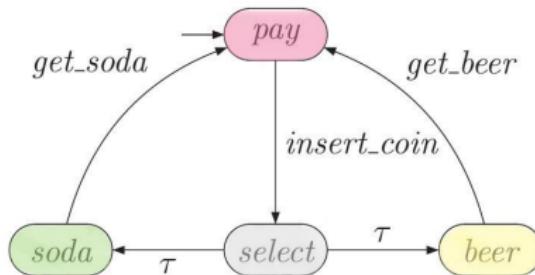
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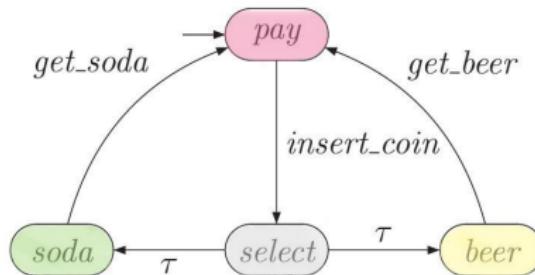
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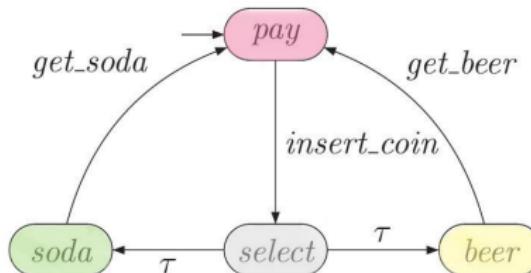


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- When the labeling is not important, we often omit it.
- We do the same for actions or simply use internal actions τ .

☞ **Exercise 1.** Draw the graph of a transition system \mathcal{T} with:

$$S = \{s_1, s_2, s_3\}, \quad S_0 = \{s_1\}, \quad R = \{(s_1, s_2), (s_2, s_1), (s_3, s_2)\}$$

☞ **Exercise 2.** Consider the example of a traffic light. Initially the red light is on. After some time, the traffic light switches from the red light to a state where both the red and the yellow light are on. From red/yellow, it switches to green, from green to yellow, and from yellow back to red, and so on. Model the traffic light as transition system.

☞ **Exercise 3.** Create a state transition diagram for the following system. A door can be in one of the following three states:

- Opened
- Closed
- Locked

The door is initially open.

- ▶ An open door can be closed if the condition that the doorway is empty is met.
- ▶ A closed door can be opened.
- ▶ A closed door can be locked.
- ▶ A locked door can be unlocked.

 **Exercise 4.** State-transition diagrams are also useful for showing the working of algorithms that involve a finite number of states. The following algorithm is for a three-digit combination lock where the correct combination to unlock is '367'. The initial state is Locked, each correct digit changes the state, until the combination unlocks the lock. An incorrect digit returns the lock to the original locked state.

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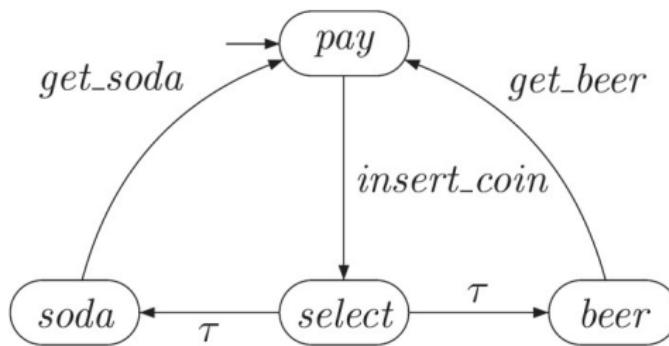
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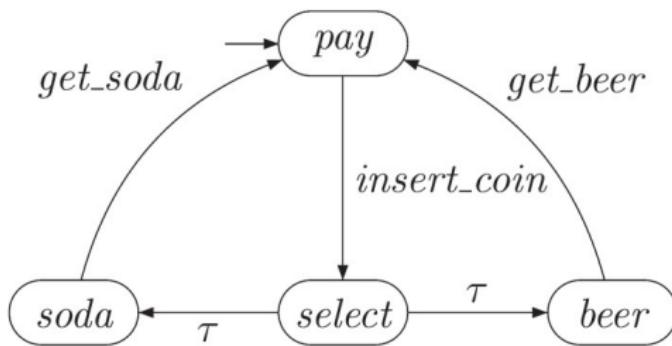
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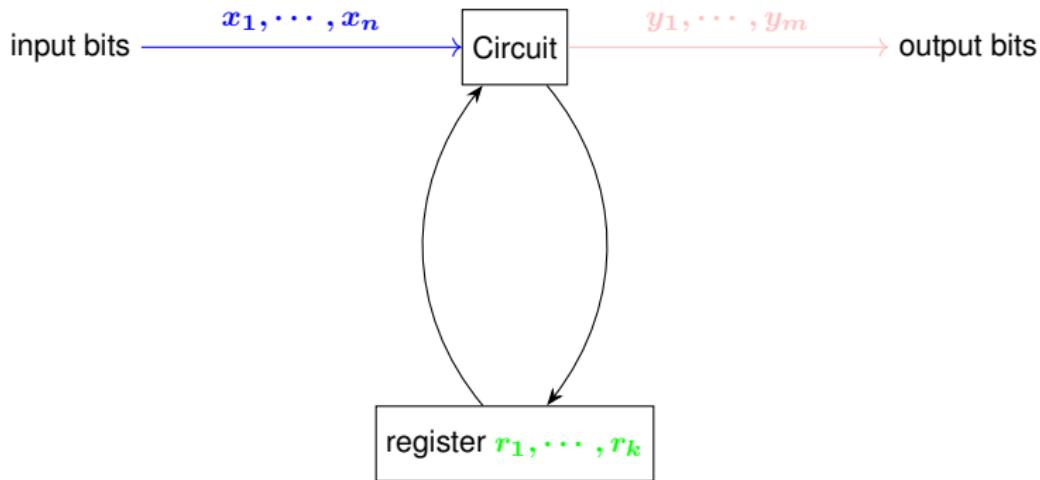
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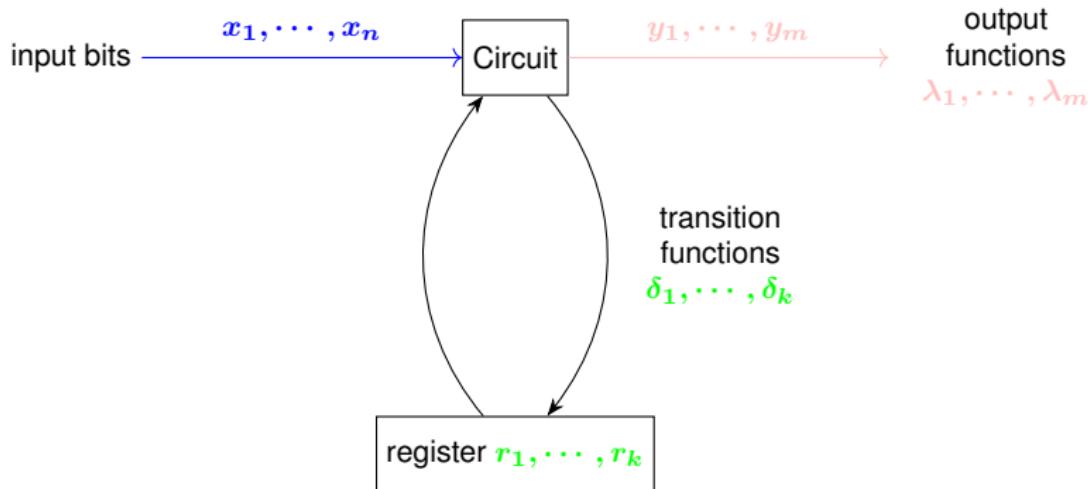


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- Meaningful to model **interleaving** of || executions for example.
- Also for **abstraction** or to model an **uncontrollable environment** (here, drink choice by the user).





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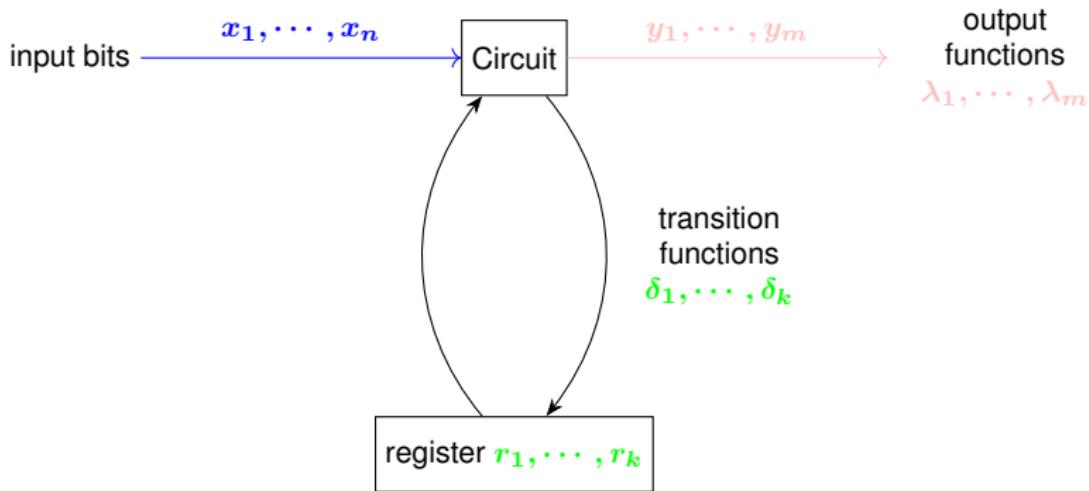
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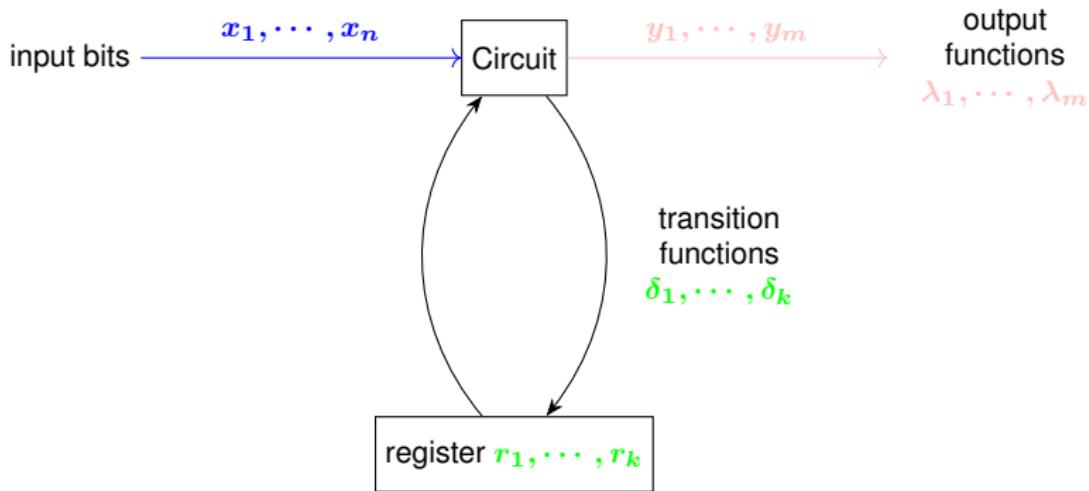
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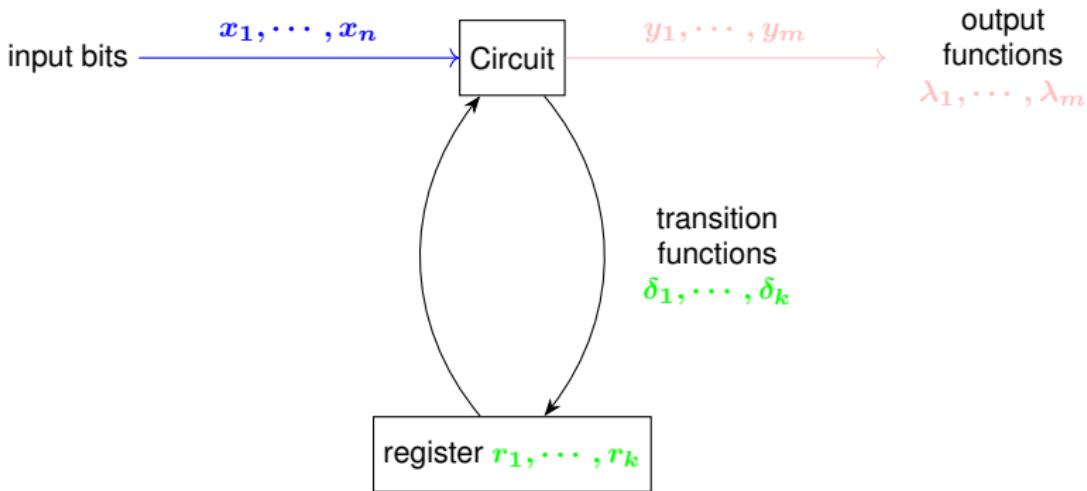
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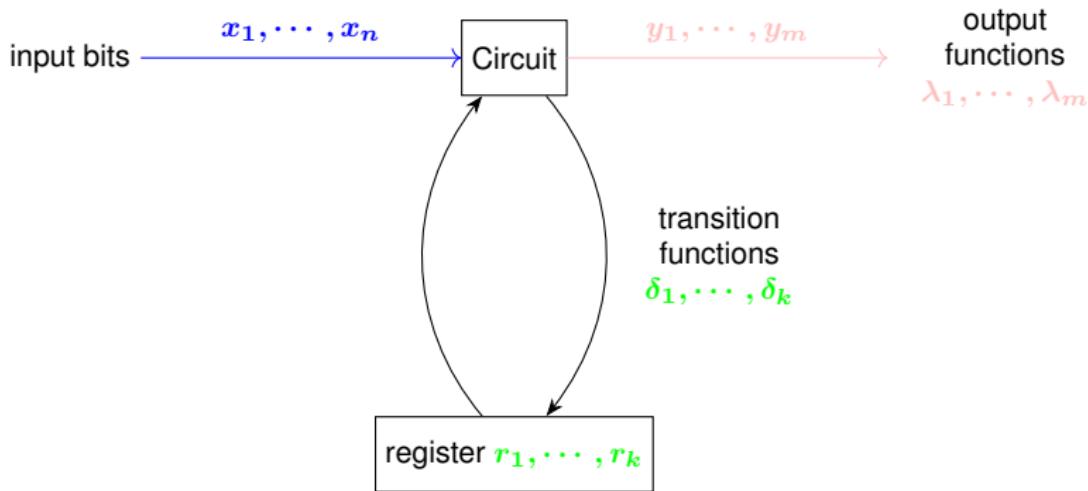
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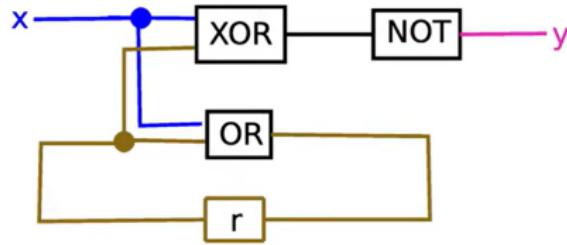
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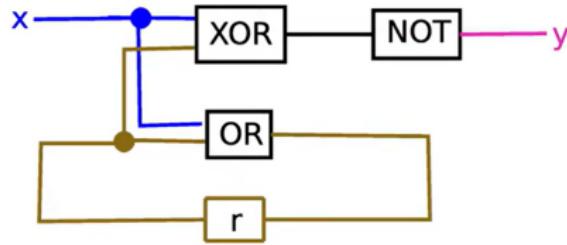
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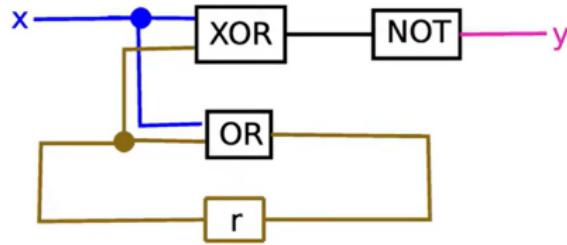
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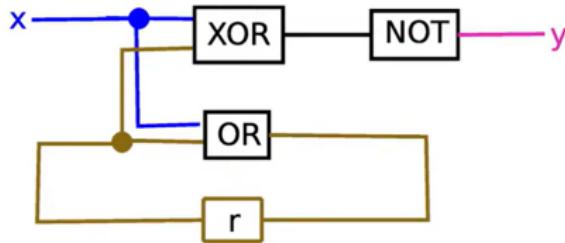




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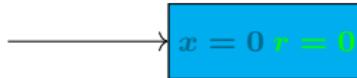
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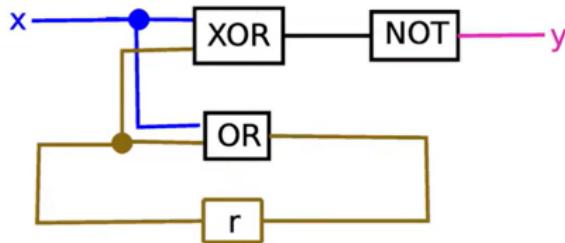


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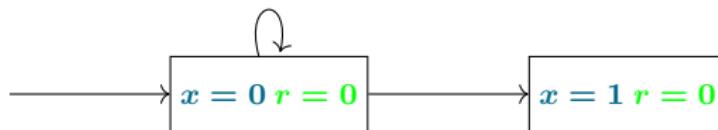


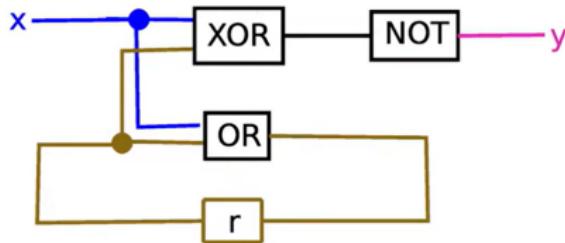


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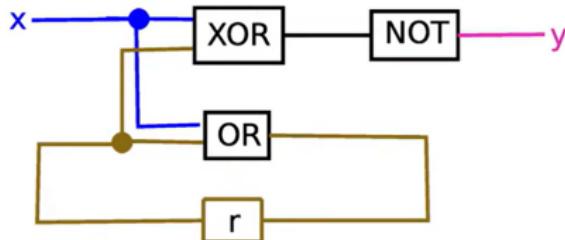


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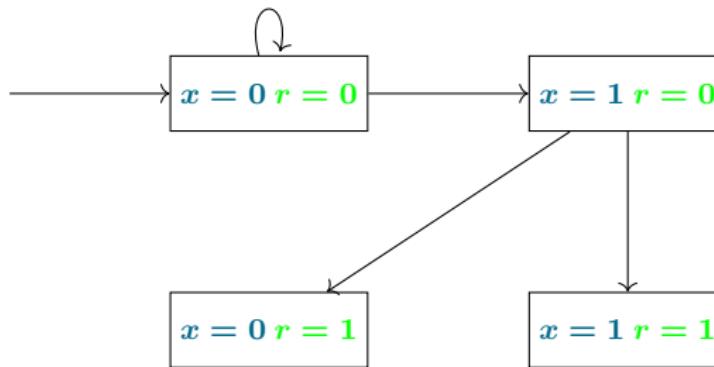


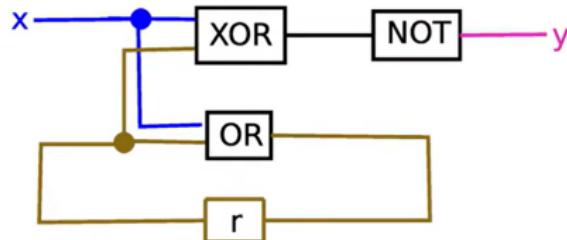


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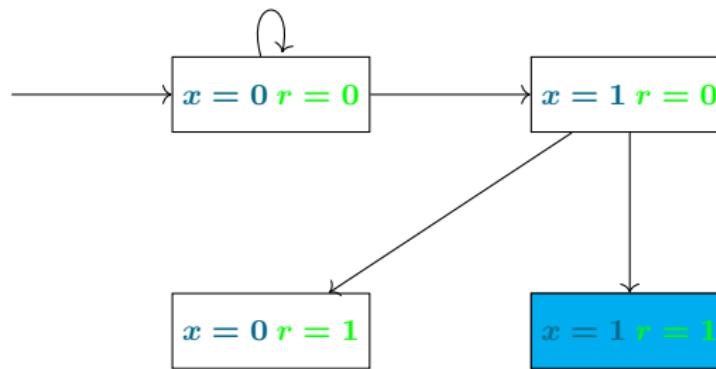


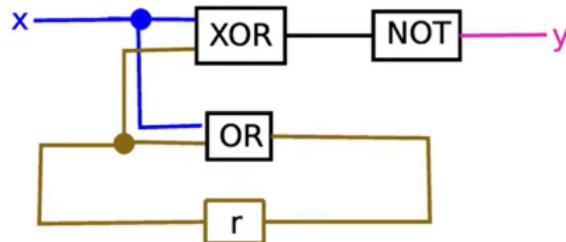


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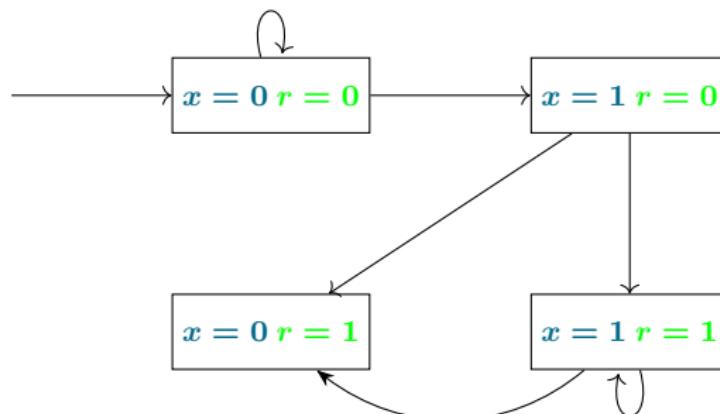


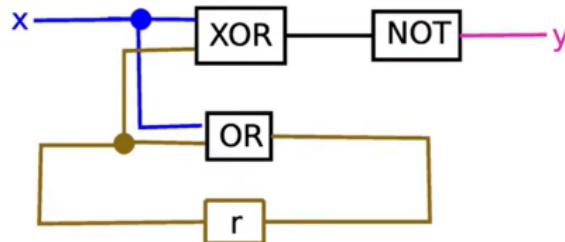


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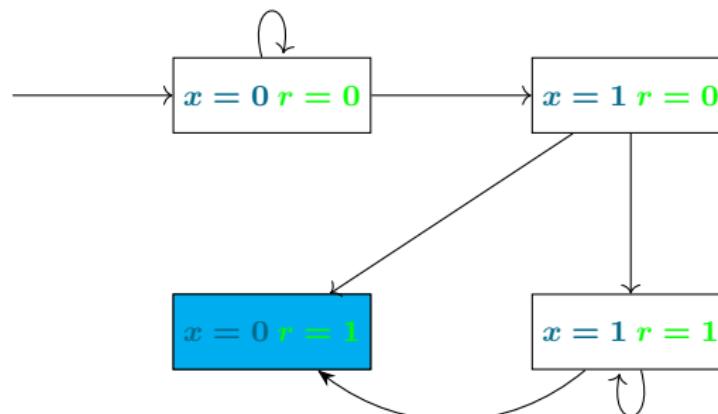


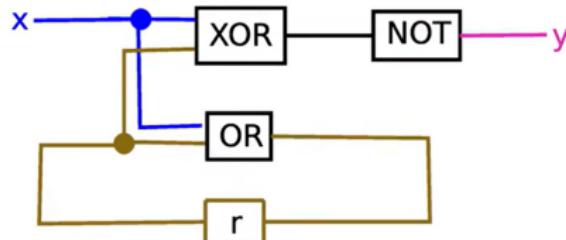


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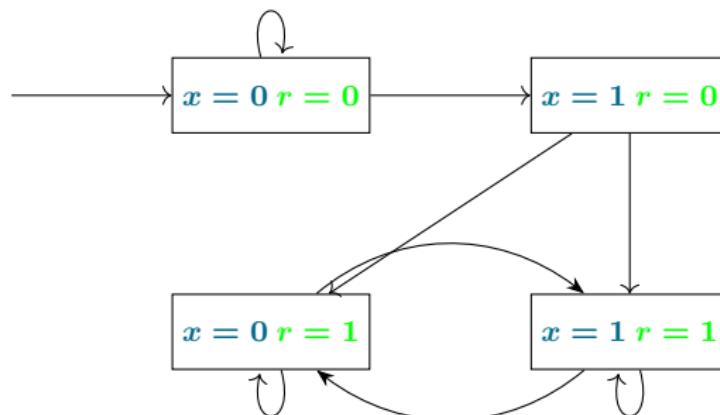


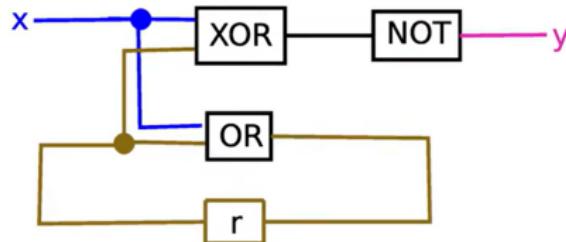


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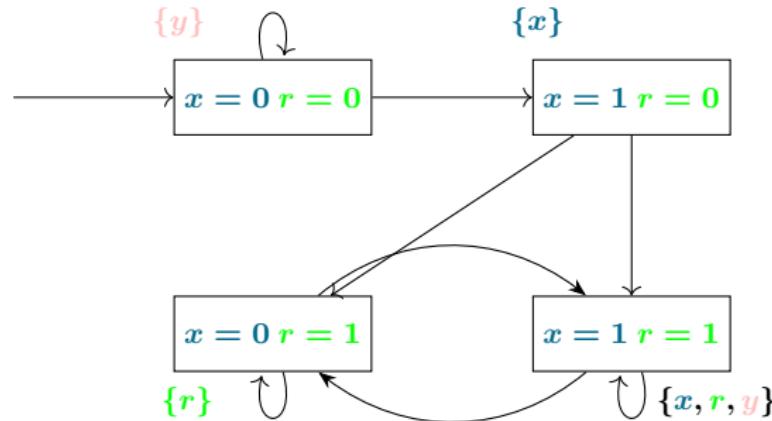


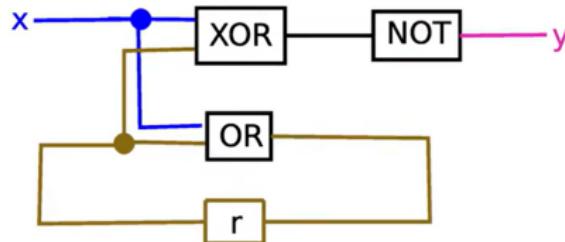


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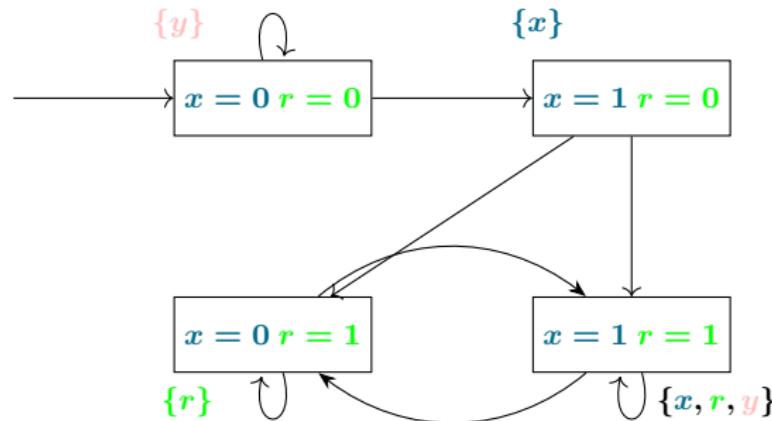




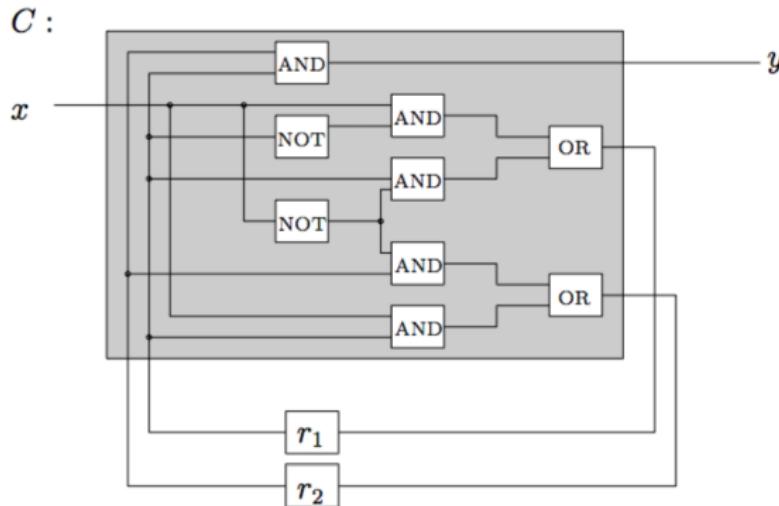
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Exercise 5. Consider the following sequential hardware circuit:



Give the transition system representation of C .

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★ Basic concepts: predecessors and successors ★

Let $\mathcal{T} = (S, Act, \rightarrow, S_0, AP, L)$ be TS. For $s \in S$ and $\alpha \in Act$, we define the following sets.

Definition (Direct (α -)successors of s :)

$$Post(s, \alpha) = \left\{ s' \in S \mid s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s' \right\}, \quad Post(s) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in Act} Post(s, \alpha).$$

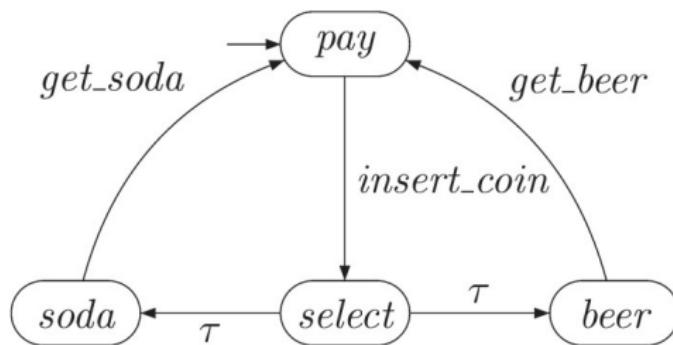
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Definition (Terminal states)

A state $s \in S$ is called **terminal** or **blocking** iff $Post(s) = \emptyset$.

Remark: For reactive systems, those states should in general be avoided.



- $Post(select) = \{soda, beer\}$
- $Post(beer, \tau) = \emptyset$
- $Pre(select) = \{pay\}$
- $Pre(pay, get_beer) = \{beer\}$

☞ **Exercise 6.** Consider the example of a simple state-transition diagram for a media player with three buttons:

- ▶ stop \square , play \triangleright and pause $||$.
- ▶ The initial state of the player is stopped.
- ▶ In each state, only the buttons for the other states can be pressed (e.g. in play, only the stop and pause buttons can be pressed).
- ▶ Pressing the pause button when the player is stopped does not result in any change to the player

(a) Complete the following table

Current State	Event	Next State (Successor)
Stopped	Press play button	
Stopped	Press pause button	
Play	Press stop button	
Play	Press pause button	
Paused	Press play button	
Paused	Press stop button	

(b) Model the media player as transition system.

Exercise 7. Create a state transition diagram for the following system. A burglar alarm has three states:

- Off
- Alarmed (the alarm is switched on)
- Sounding

The possible inputs are: turning the alarm on or off with a key, and sensors on (movement detected which sounds the alarm) or off. The state-transition table that describes the burglar alarm is as follows:

Current State	Key	Sensors	Next State
Off	Off	On	Off
Off	On	Off	Alarmed
Off	On	On	Sounding
Alarmed	Off	Off	Off
Alarmed	Off	On	Off
Alarmed	On	On	Sounding
Sounding	Off	Off	Off
Sounding	Off	On	Off
Sounding	On	Off	Alarmed

★ Basic concepts: executions ★

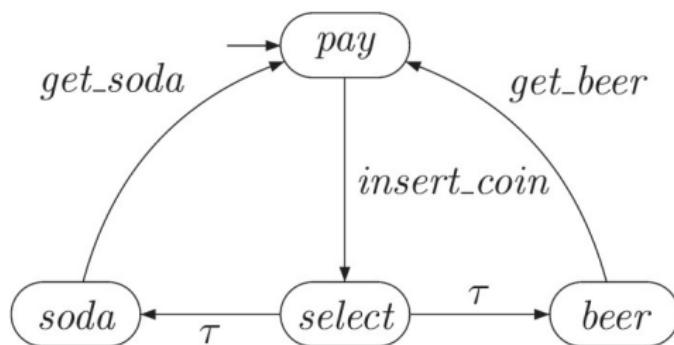
Definition (Executions)

- ▶ A **finite execution fragment** $\rho \in (S \times Act)^\omega$ of transition systems TS is a finite, alternating sequence of states and actions: $\rho = s_0\alpha_1s_1\alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_ns_n$ such that $s_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} s_n$.
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- ▶ ρ is **maximal** if ρ is infinite or finite and ending in a terminal state i.e. Fragment cannot be prolonged.
- ▶ ρ is **initial** if starts in an initial state i.e. Fragment starting in $s_0 \in S_0$.
- ▶ An **execution** is an initial, maximal execution fragment.

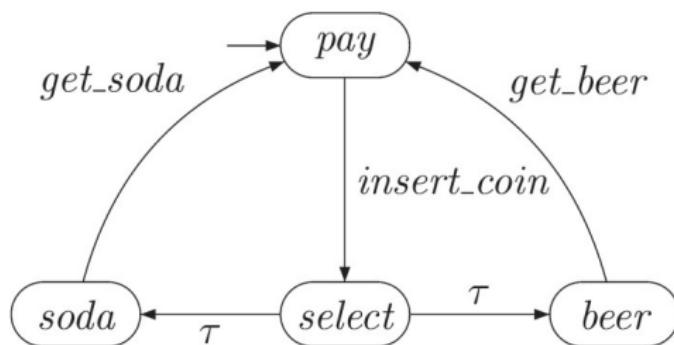
Definition (Reachable states:)

A state s is reachable in TS if s occurs in some execution of TS

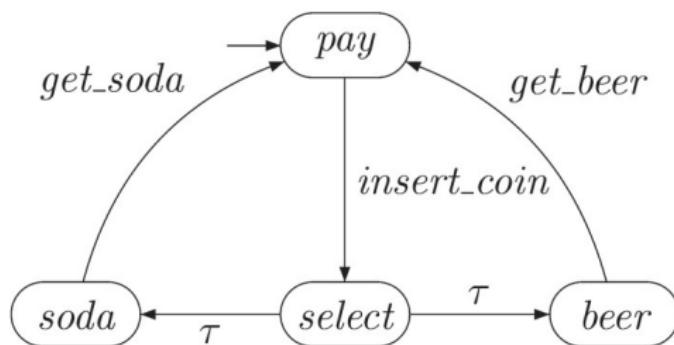
$$Reach(\mathcal{T}) = \left\{ s \in S \mid \exists s_0 \in S_0 \wedge s_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \cdots \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} s_n = s \right\}$$



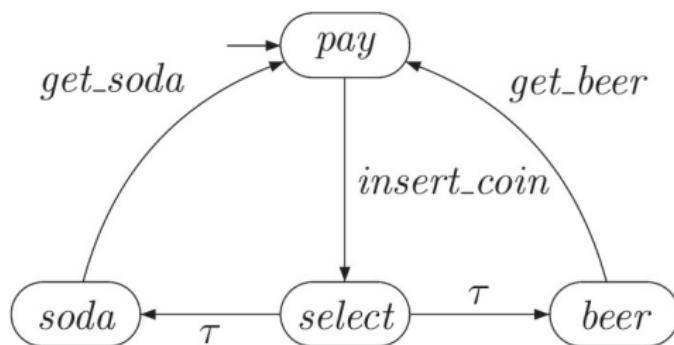
- $\rho_1 = \text{pay} \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \text{select} \xrightarrow{\tau} \text{beer} \xrightarrow{\text{get_beer}} \text{pay} \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \dots$
- $\rho_2 = \text{beer} \xrightarrow{\text{get_beer}} \text{pay} \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \text{select} \xrightarrow{\tau} \text{beer} \xrightarrow{\text{get_beer}} \dots$
- $\rho_3 = \text{pay} \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \text{select} \xrightarrow{\tau} \text{soda} \xrightarrow{\text{get_soda}} \text{pay}$
- $\text{Reach}(\mathcal{T}) = S$.



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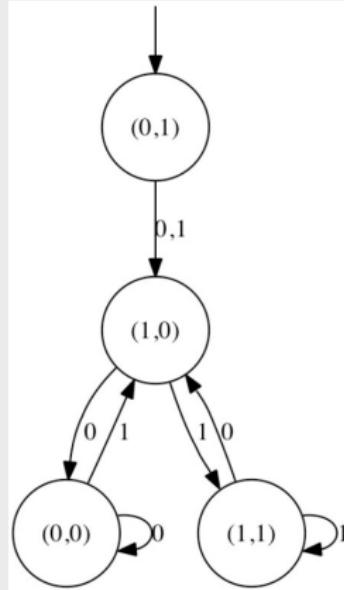
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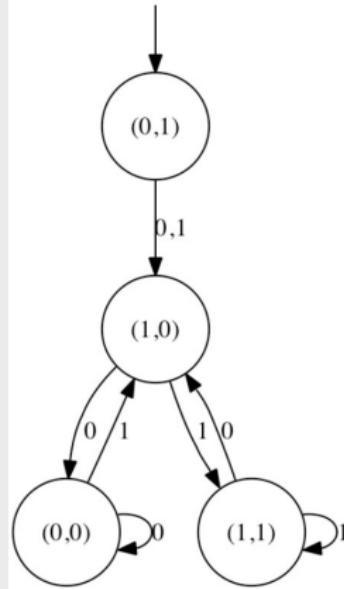
- A sequence of states, either finite or infinite , is a **path fragment** if $\pi = s_0 s_1 s_2 \cdots s_n, s_{i+1} \in Post(s_i), \forall i \geq 0$.
- A **path** is a path fragment s.t. $s_0 \in S_0$ and it is
 - ▶ either finite with terminal s_n
 - ▶ or infinite.
- Denote the set of paths in TS by $Path(TS)$.

Example



- (0, 1) (1, 0) (1, 1) (1, 1) ...
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A path

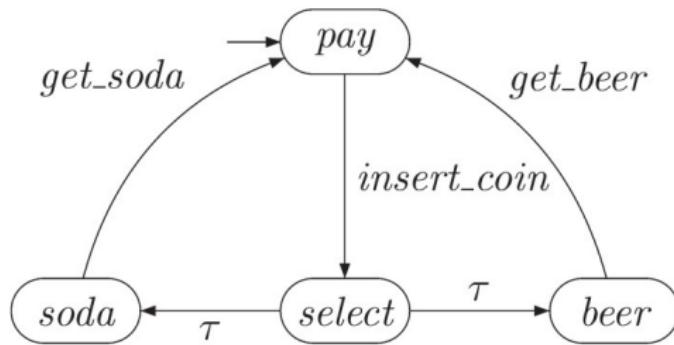
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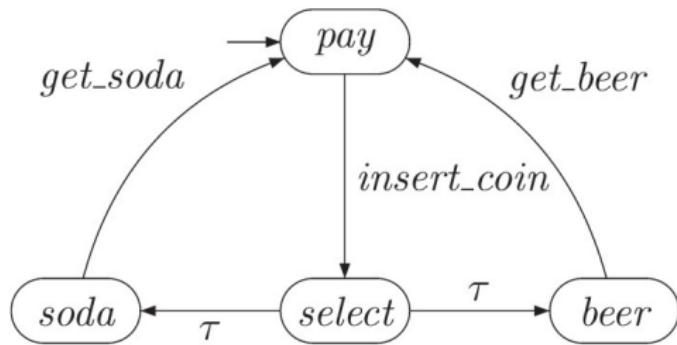
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- $(0, 1) (1, 0) (1, 1).$



- Execution:
- Path :



- Execution:

$$\rho_1 = pay \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} select \xrightarrow{\tau} beer \xrightarrow{\text{get_beer}} pay \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \dots$$

- Path :

$$\pi_1 = pay\ select\ beer\ pay\ \dots$$

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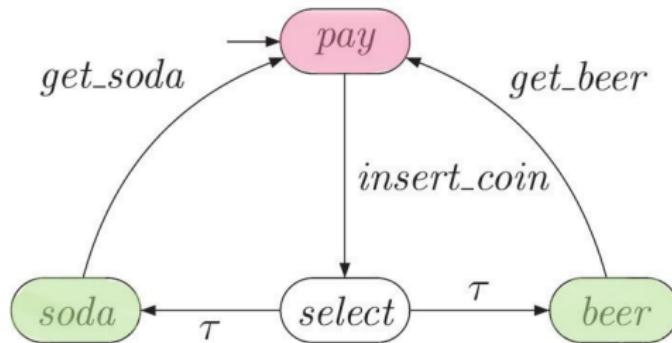
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- The **trace** of an infinite path fragment $\pi = s_0s_1s_2\cdots$ is defined by

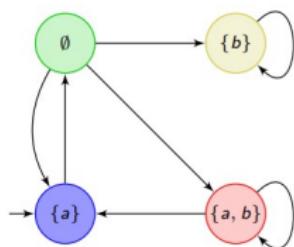
$$trace(\pi) = L(s_0)L(s_1)L(s_2)\cdots$$

- The set, **Traces**(TS), of traces of TS is defined by

$$Traces(TS) = \{trace(\pi) : \pi \in Paths(TS)\}$$



- Execution: $\rho_1 = \text{pay} \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \text{select} \xrightarrow{\tau} \text{beer} \xrightarrow{\text{get_beer}} \text{pay} \xrightarrow{\text{insert_coin}} \dots$
- Path : $\pi_1 = \text{pay} \text{ select } \text{beer} \text{ pay} \dots$
- Trace :
 - $AP = \{\text{paid}, \text{drink}\}$,
 - $L(\text{pay}) = \text{paid}$, $L(\text{select}) = \emptyset$ and $L(\text{soda}) = L(\text{beer}) = \text{drink}$ $trace(\pi_1) = L(\text{pay}) \ L(\text{select}) \ L(\text{beer}) \ L(\text{pay}) \ \dots = \text{paid} \ \emptyset \ \text{drink} \ \text{paid}$



- Notice the added self-loop on
- Paths:

$$\pi_1 = \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \dots$$

$$\pi_2 = \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \dots$$

$$\pi_3 = \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \dots$$

- Corresponding traces:

$$\text{trace}(\pi_1) = \{a\} \emptyset \{a\} \emptyset \{a\} \emptyset \dots = (\{a\} \emptyset)^\omega$$

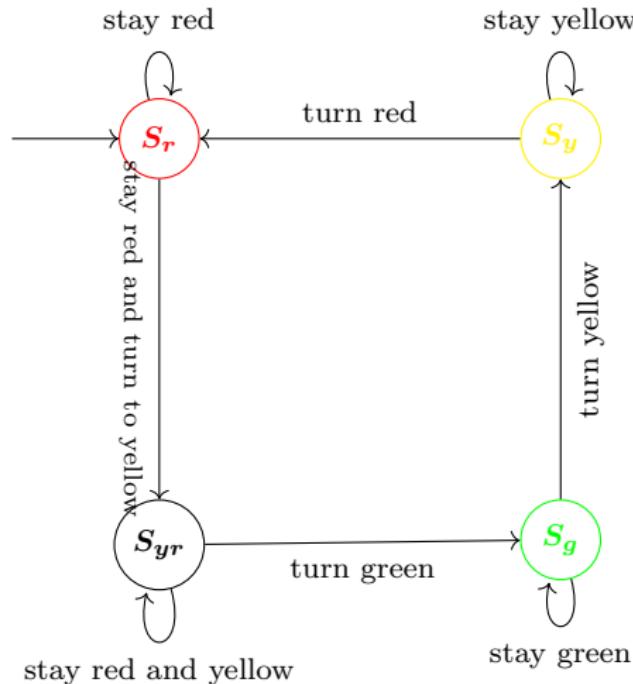
$$\text{trace}(\pi_2) = \{a\} \emptyset \{a, b\} \{a, b\} \{a, b\} \{a, b\} \dots = \{a\} \emptyset \{a, b\}^\omega$$

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Traces are (infinite) words on alphabet 2^{AP} .

 **Exercise 8.**

Find three different executions, paths and traces of the following digraph of traffic light:



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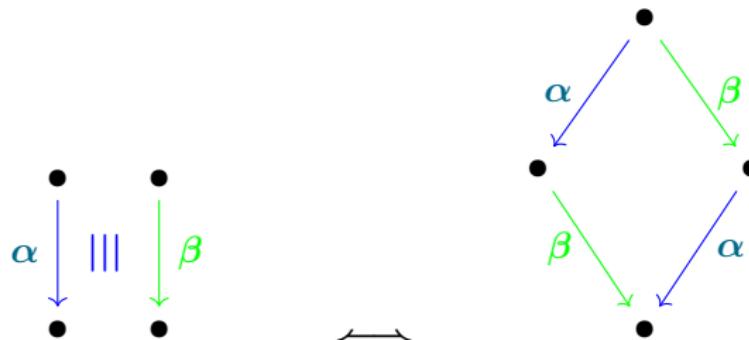
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$$effect(\alpha\|\|\beta) = effect(\alpha; \beta + \beta; \alpha)$$

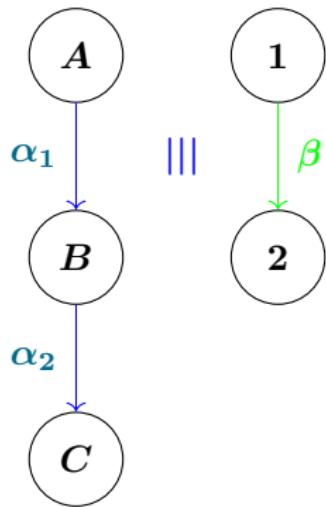


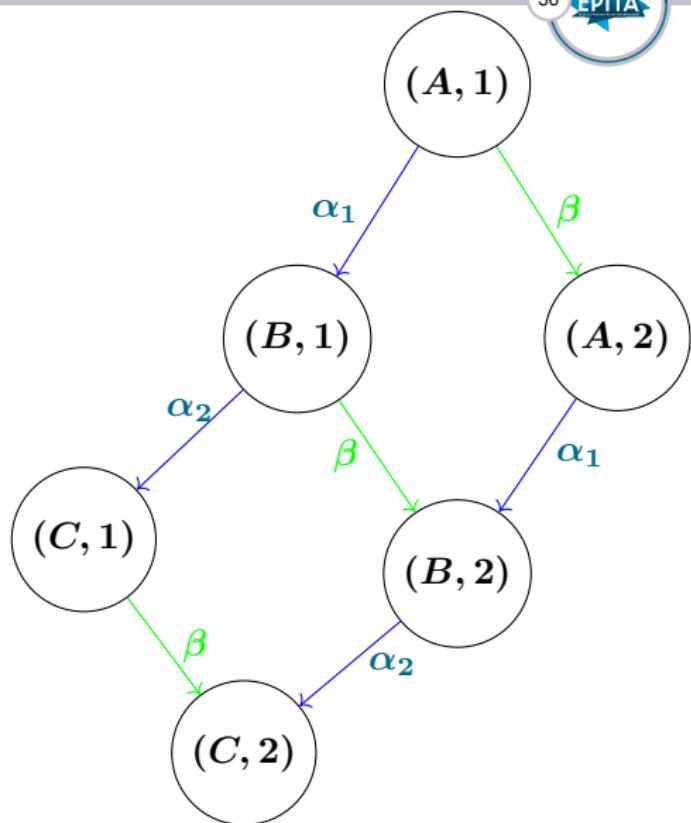
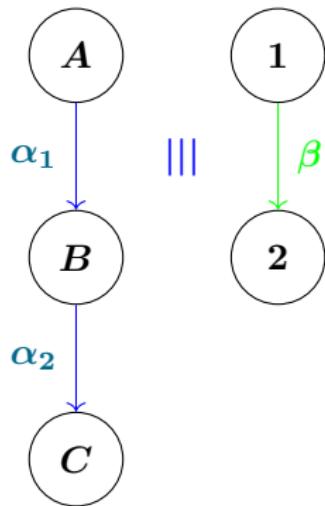
parallel execution of
 α and β on
two processors



\approx

serial execution on
a single processor
in arbitrary order





- Let $\mathcal{T}_1 = (S_1, Act_1, \rightarrow_1, S_{0,1}, AP_1, L_1)$ and $\mathcal{T}_2 = (S_2, Act_2, \rightarrow_2, S_{0,2}, AP_2, L_2)$ be two TS.

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- The transition system $\mathcal{T}_1\|\|\mathcal{T}_2$ is defined by :

$$\mathcal{T}_1\|\|\mathcal{T}_2 = (S_1 \times S_2, Act_1 \cup Act_2, \rightarrow, S_{0,1} \times S_{0,2}, AP_1 \cup AP_2, L)$$

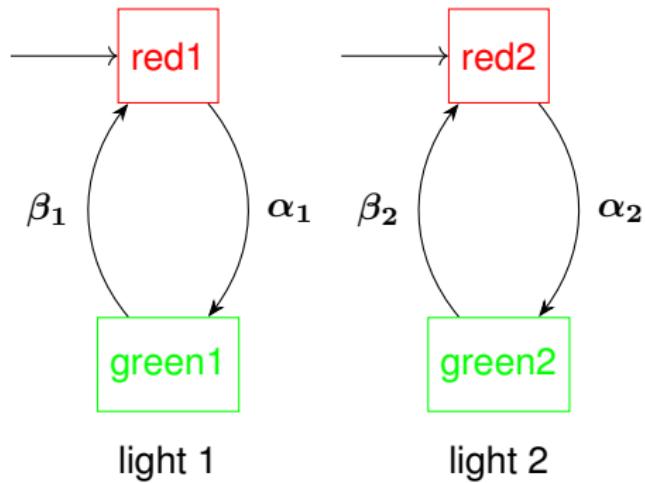
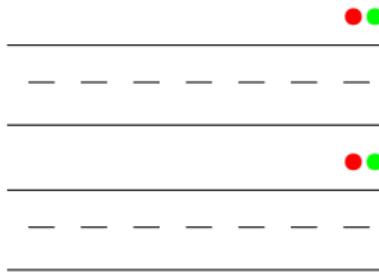
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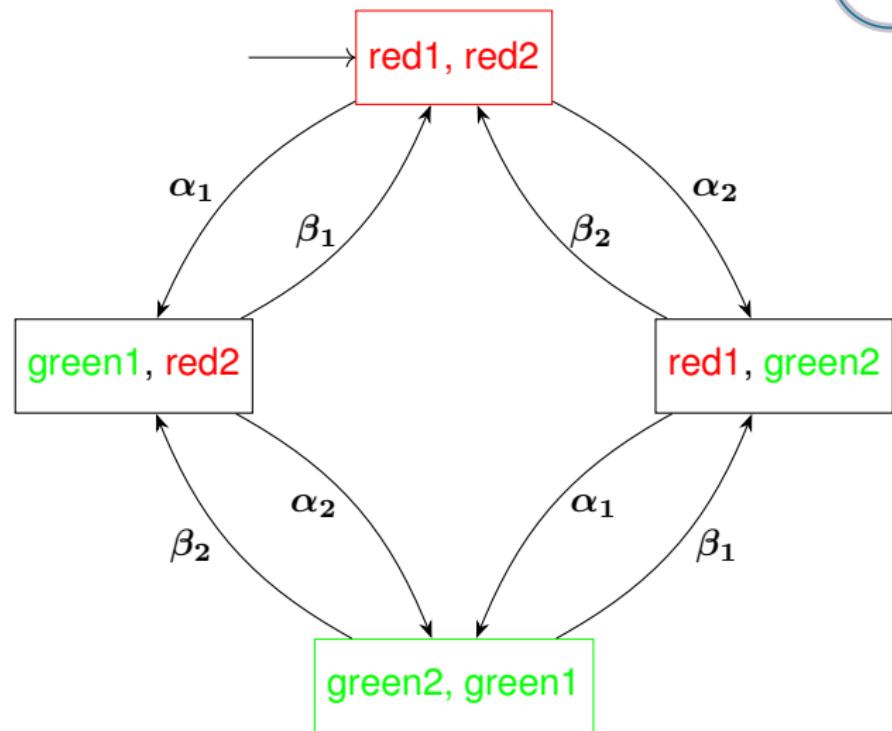
where the transition relation \rightarrow is given by:

$$\frac{s_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'_1}{\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle s'_1, s_2 \rangle} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{s_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'_2}{\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle s_1, s'_2 \rangle}$$

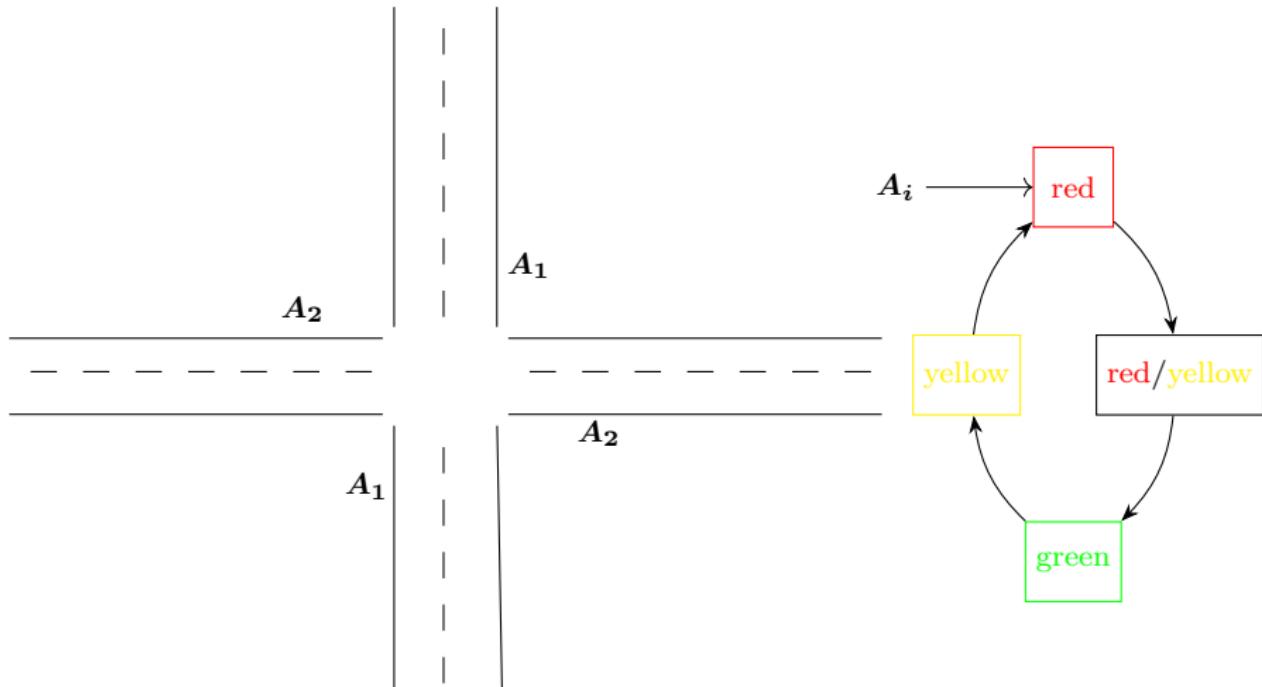
- ① If $s_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'_1$ then $\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle s'_1, s_2 \rangle$
- ② If $s_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'_2$ then $\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle s_1, s'_2 \rangle$



light 1 $\|\|$ light 2



Exercise 9. Consider the following street junction with the specification of a traffic light as outlined on the right.



- 1 Choose appropriate actions and label the transitions of the traffic light transition system accordingly.
- 2 Outline the transition system $A_1 \parallel\!\parallel A_2$. Give the transition system representation of a (reasonable) controller that switches the green signal lamps in the following order: $A_1, A_2, A_1, A_2, \dots$ (Hint: Choose an appropriate communication mechanism.)