



CS 228 : Logic in Computer Science

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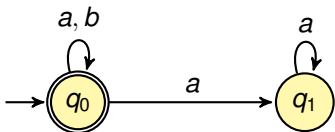
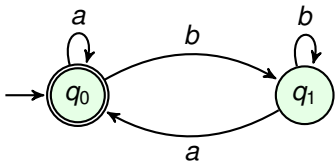
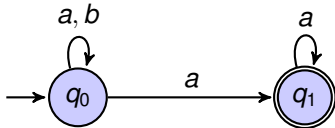
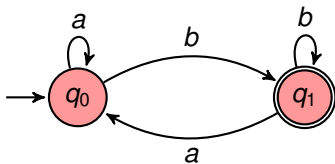
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Büchi Acceptance

For Büchi Acceptance, Acc is specified as a set of states, $G \subseteq Q$. The ω -word α is accepted if there is a run ρ of α such that $Inf(\rho) \cap G \neq \emptyset$.

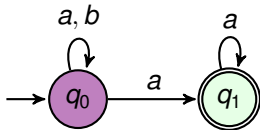
ω -Automata with Büchi Acceptance



- ▶ Left (T-B): Inf many b 's, Inf many a 's
- ▶ Right (T-B): Finitely many b 's, $(a + b)^\omega$

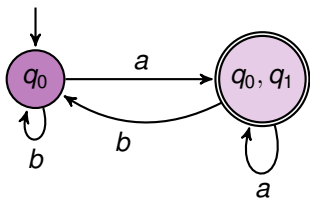
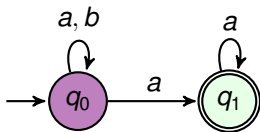
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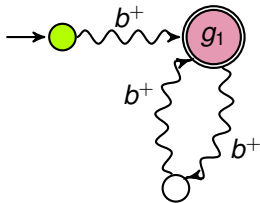


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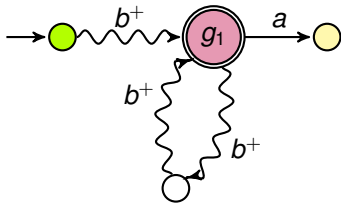
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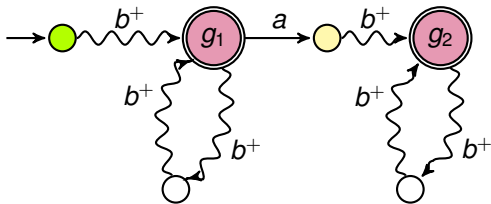
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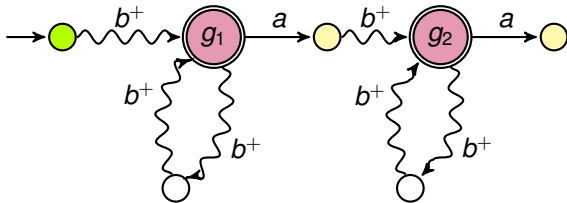
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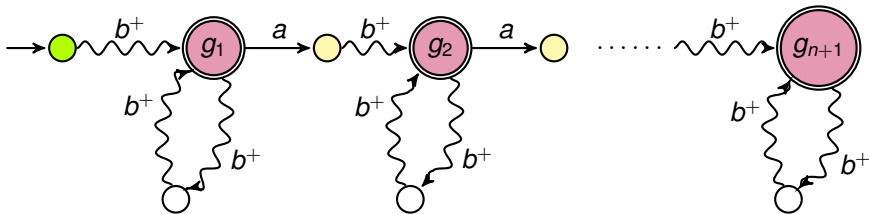
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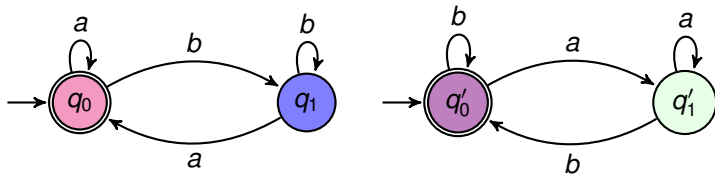


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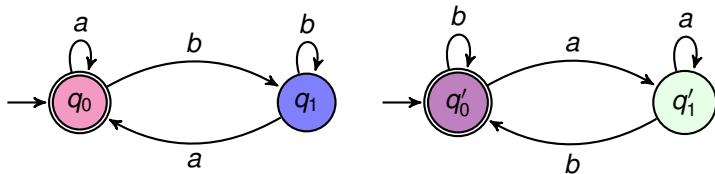
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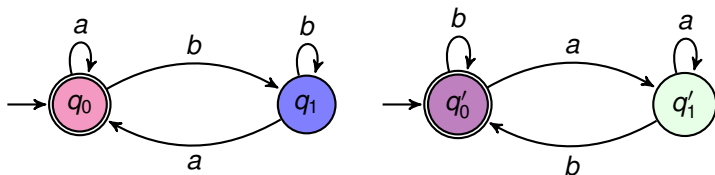


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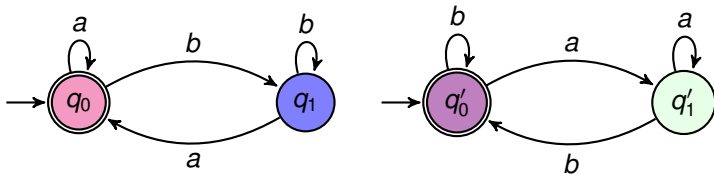
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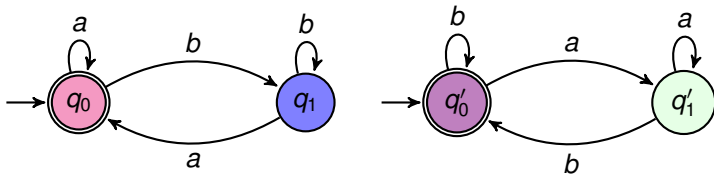
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- ▶ Good states = $Q_1 \times G_2 \times \{2\}$ or $G_1 \times Q_2 \times \{1\}$

Emptiness

Given an NBA/DBA \mathcal{A} , how do you check if $L(\mathcal{A}) = \emptyset$?

- ▶ Enumerate SCCs
- ▶ Check if there is an SCC containing a good state