

# Coalgebraic Representation of Büchi Automata

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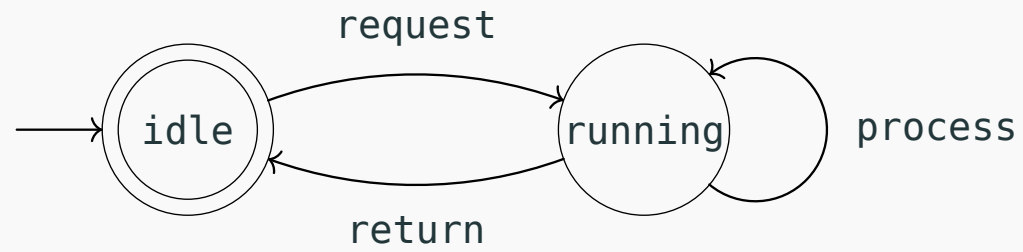
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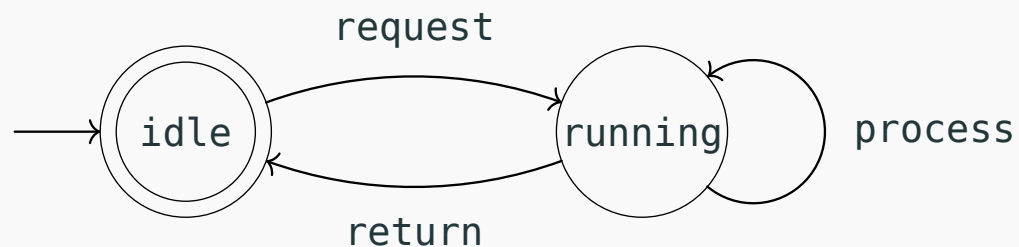
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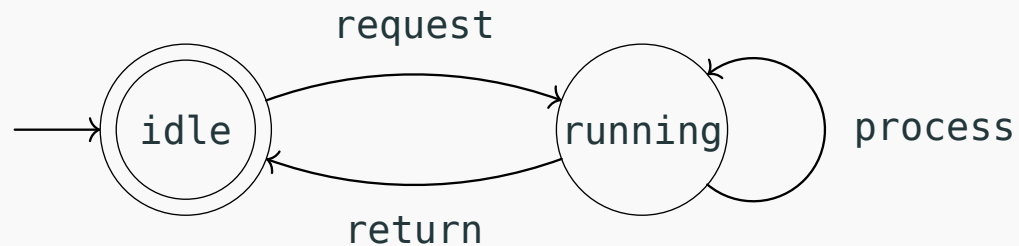
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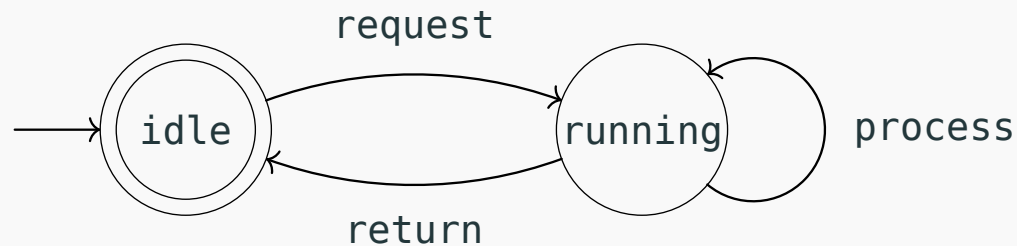


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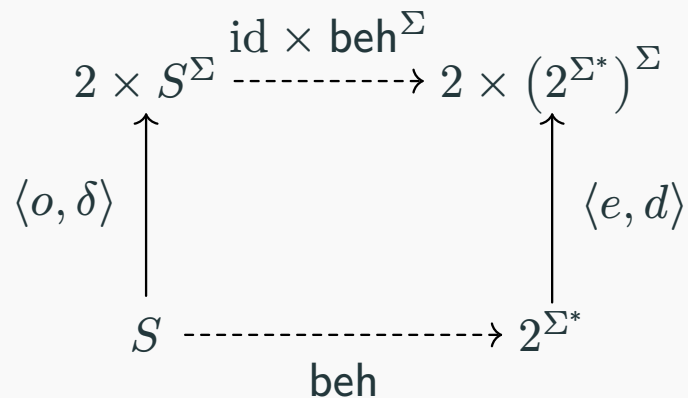
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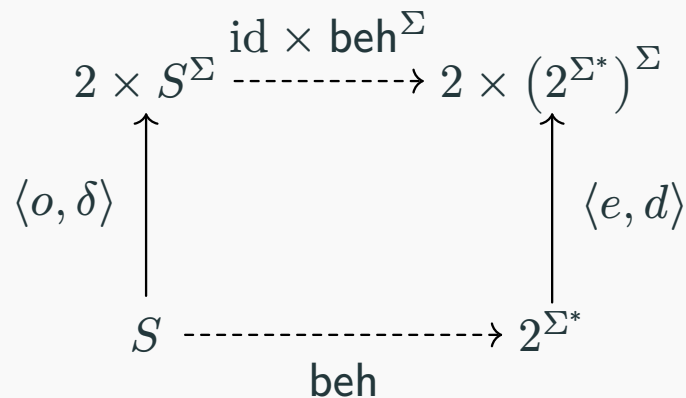
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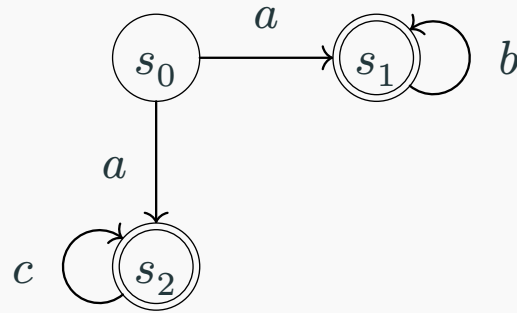


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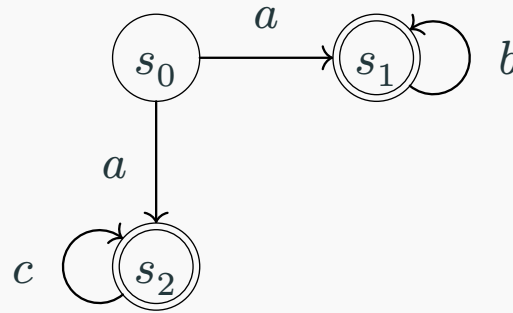
So  $\text{beh}$  captures exactly the accepted language of the automaton!

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A final coalgebra  $z : Z \rightarrow 2 \times \mathcal{P}(\Sigma \times Z)$  cannot exist. Lambek's lemma says  $z$  would have to be an isomorphism, which would imply  $Z \cong \mathcal{P}(Z)$



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- **morphisms**:  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  in  $\mathcal{K}\ell(\mathcal{P})$  is  $f : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Y)$  in **Sets**.

For morphisms  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  in  $\mathcal{K}\ell(\mathcal{P})$  we define

$$g \odot f := X \xrightarrow{f} \mathcal{P}(Y) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{P}(g)} \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(Z)) \xrightarrow{\mu_Y} \mathcal{P}(Z)$$

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**Theorem** [Hasuo, Jacobs, Sokolova 2007]: An initial algebra  $\alpha : FA \rightarrow A$  for the functor  $F$  in **Sets** yields the final coalgebra for  $\overline{F}$  in  $\mathcal{K}\ell(\mathcal{P})$ :

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beh is not unique. However, we can take  $\text{beh}^\infty$ , the maximal mapping with respect to inclusion.

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**Theorem** [Urabe, Shimizu, Hasuo 2016]: The solutions  $\text{beh}_1, \text{beh}_2$  to the system of equations coincide with the accepted language of the Büchi Automaton  $A$ .

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Alternate derivation using game semantics:

**Game Semantics For Modal Mu-Calculus:**  $s \models^T \varphi \iff$  verifier has a winning strategy in  $\mathcal{G}(\varphi, T)$

Outline:

- Convert system of equations to modal mu-calculus formula
- Apply game semantics of modal mu-calculus
- Prove:  $V$  has a winning strategy in  $\mathcal{G}(\varphi, T)$  from state  $(s_i, w) \iff w \in \text{beh}(s_i)$

Converting formula:

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