The Graph Structure of Process Interpretations of Regular Expressions

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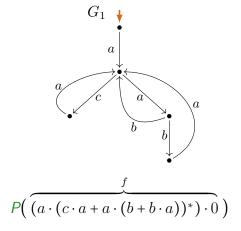
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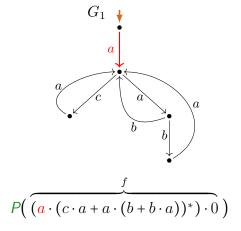
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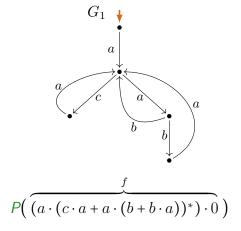
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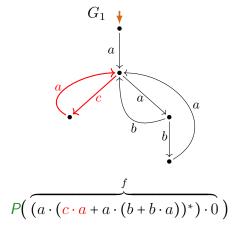
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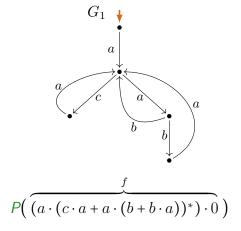
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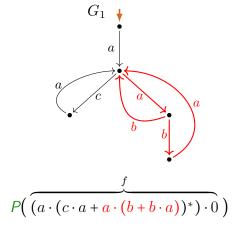


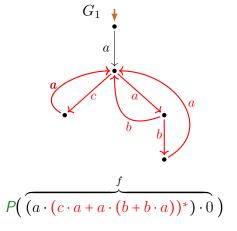


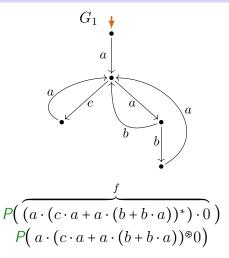


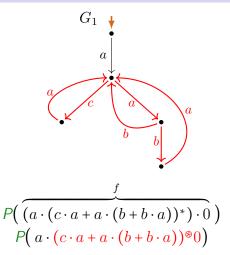


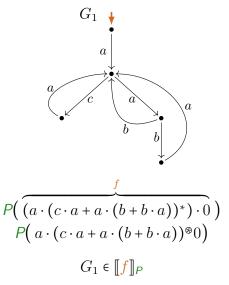


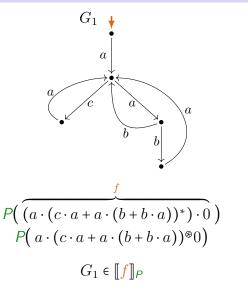


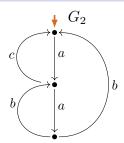


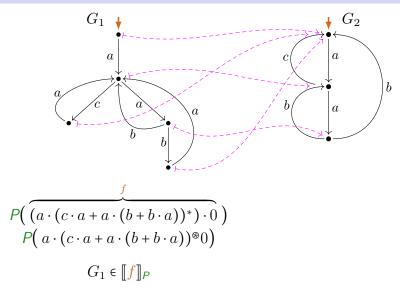


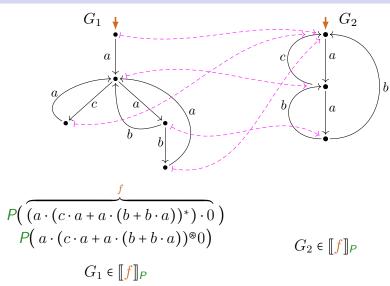












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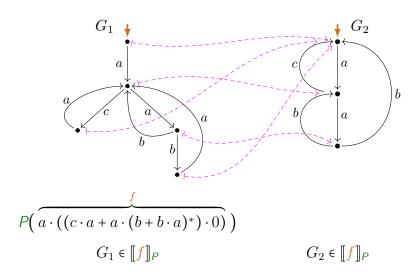
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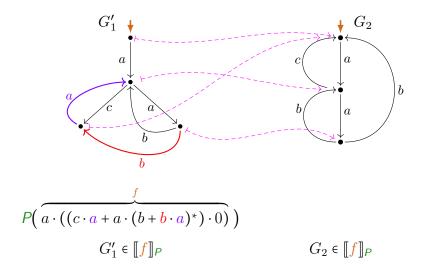
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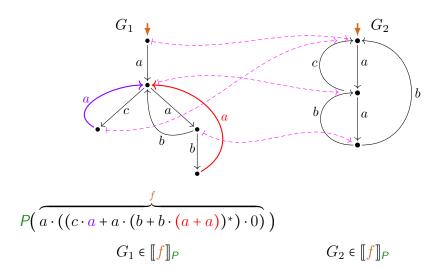
The process (graph) interpretation P(e) of a regular expression e:

P(e) :=labeled transition graph generated by e by derivations in \mathcal{T} .

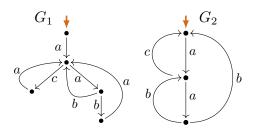




P-expressibility and $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_P$ -expressibility (example, formally)



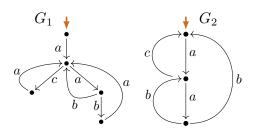
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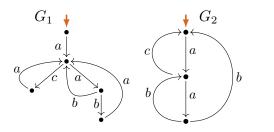
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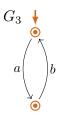


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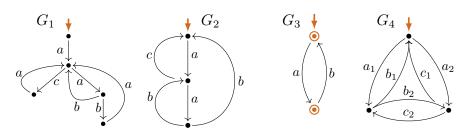




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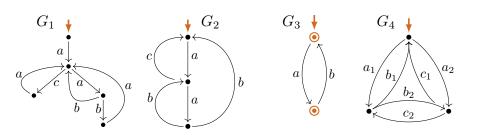


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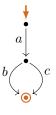
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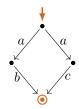
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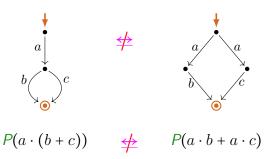
Q2: How can P-expressibility and $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{P}$ -expressibility be characterized?

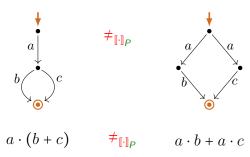


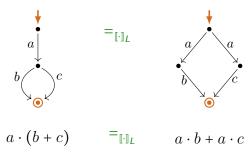
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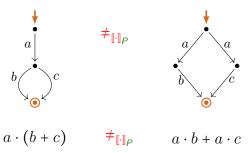
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▶ Fewer identities hold for $=_{\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_P}$ than for $=_{\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_L}$: $=_{\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_P} \nsubseteq =_{\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_L}$.



Milner's proof system Mil

Axioms:

(A6)
$$(e+f) \cdot g = e \cdot g + f \cdot g$$

But:
$$e \cdot (f+g) \neq e \cdot f + e \cdot g$$
 But: $e \cdot 0 \neq 0$

Inference rules: rules of equational logic plus

$$\frac{e = f \cdot e + g}{e = f^* \cdot g} RSP^*$$
 (if f does not terminate immediately)

Milner's Question (Q1)

Is Mil complete with respect to $=_{\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_P}$? (Does $e =_{\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_P} f \Longrightarrow e =_{\operatorname{Mil}} f \text{ hold?}$)

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Question (Q2) specialized

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(Q2)_0 P-Expressibility and P-(*/1)-Expressibility:
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What structural property characterizes:

- ▶ process graphs that are P-expressible ?
 (... that are in the image of P?)
- ▶ process graphs that are P-expressible by (*/1) regular expressions? (... that are in the image of (*/1) expressions under P?)

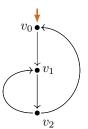
Loop Existence and Elimination (LEE)

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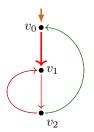
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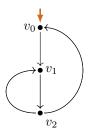
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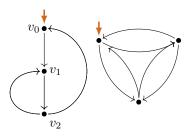
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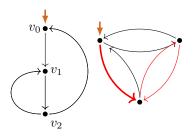
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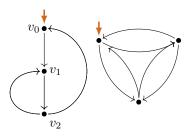
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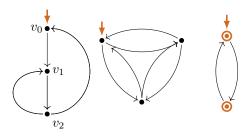
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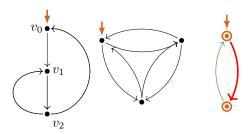
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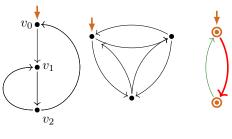
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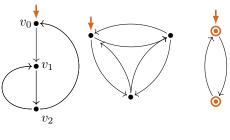
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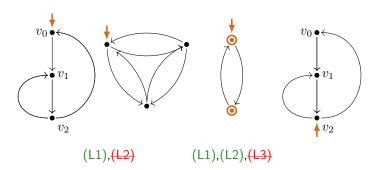
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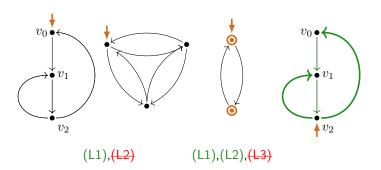
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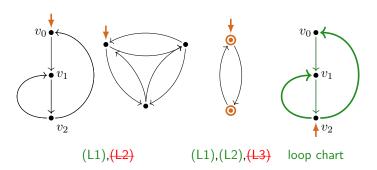
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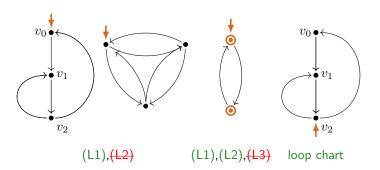
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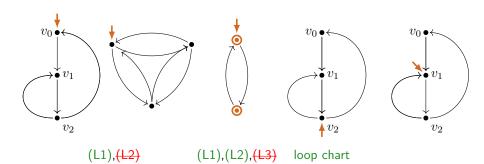
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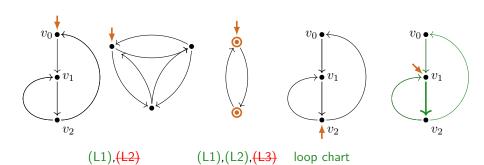
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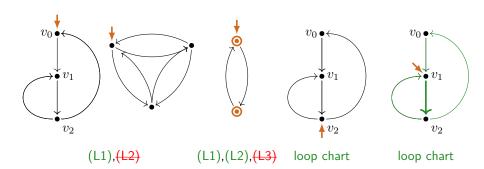
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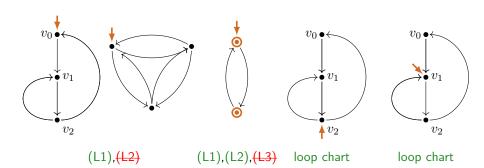
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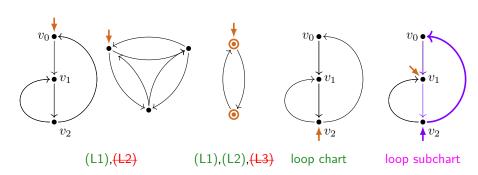
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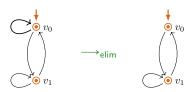


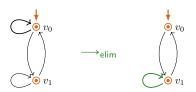


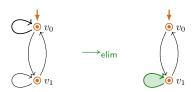


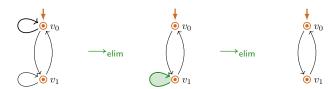


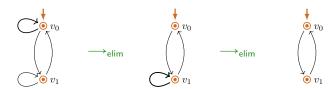


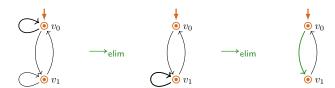


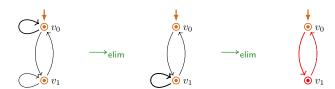


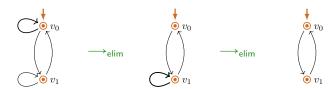


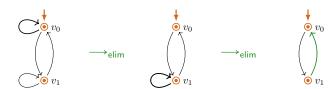


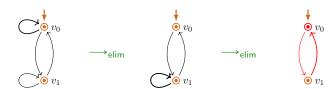


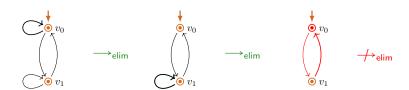


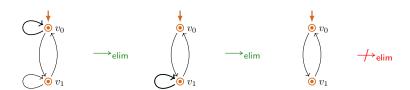


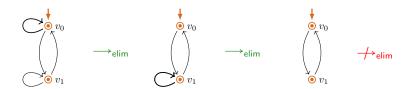


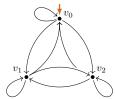


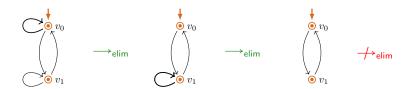


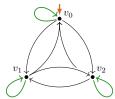


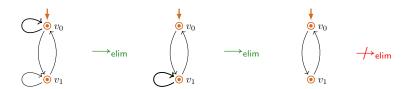


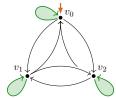


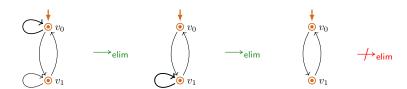


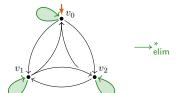




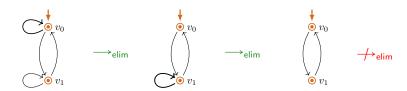


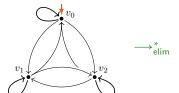




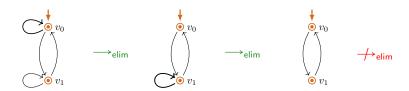


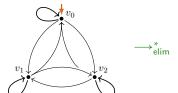




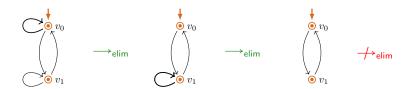


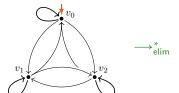




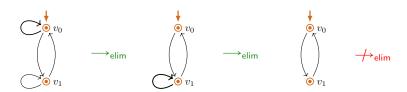


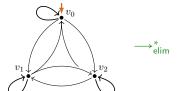


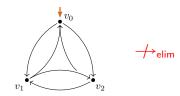












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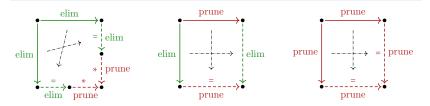
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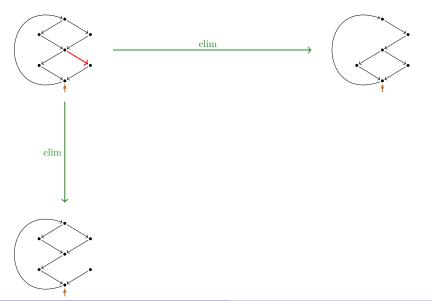


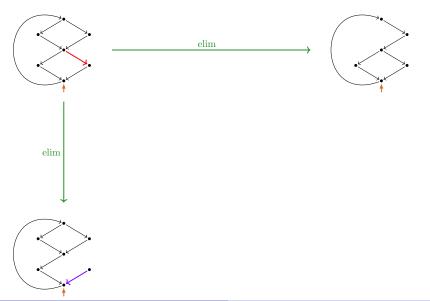


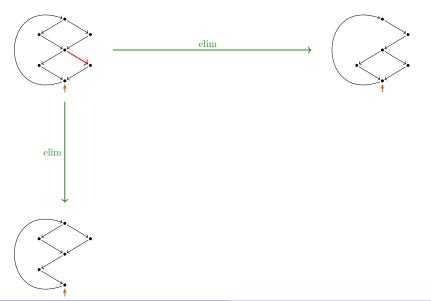


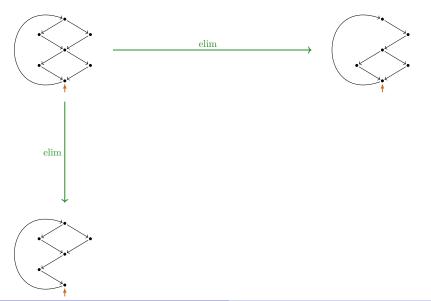


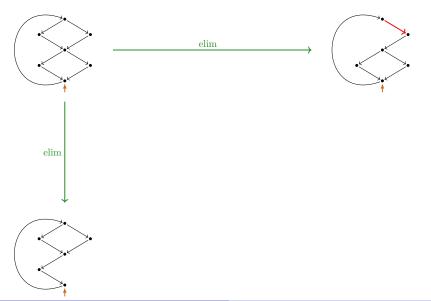


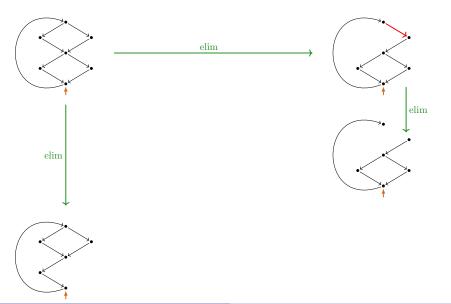


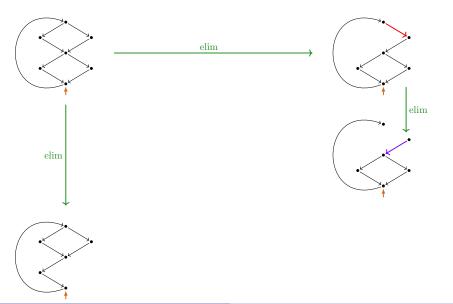


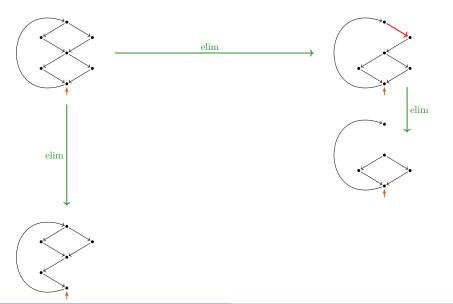


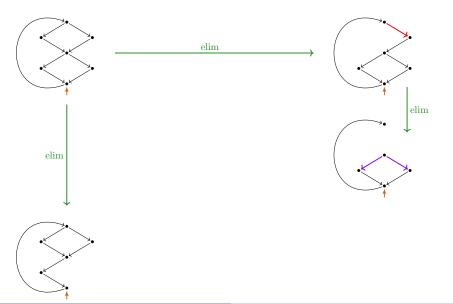


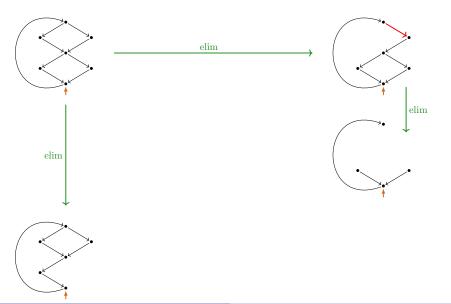


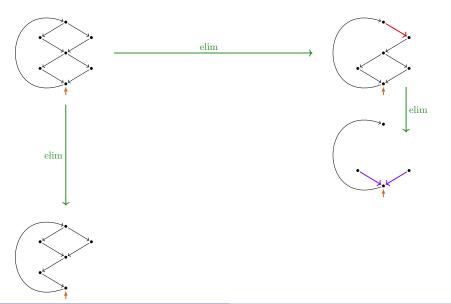


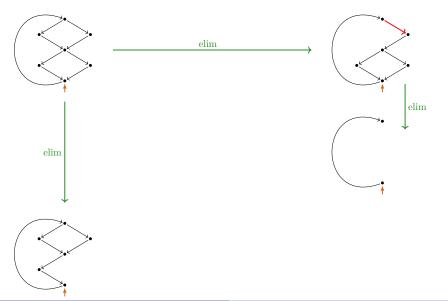


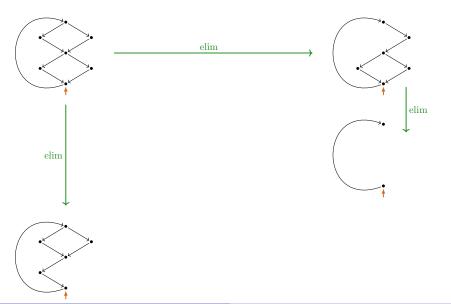


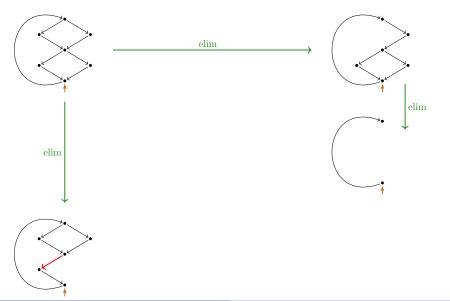


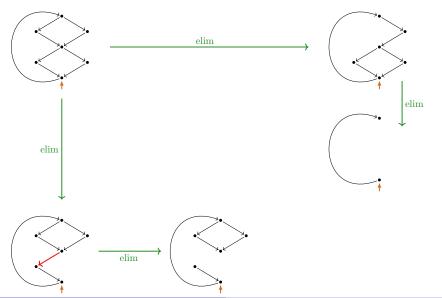


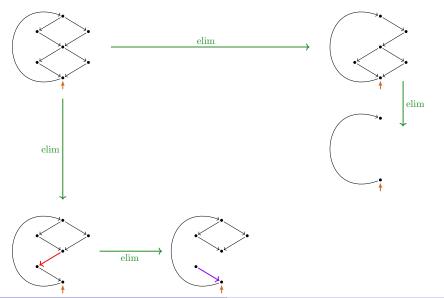


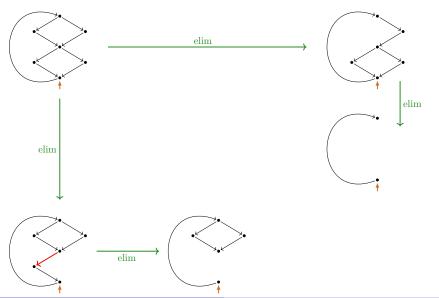


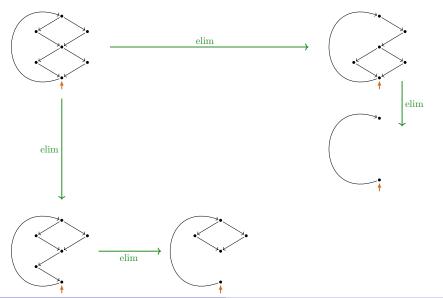


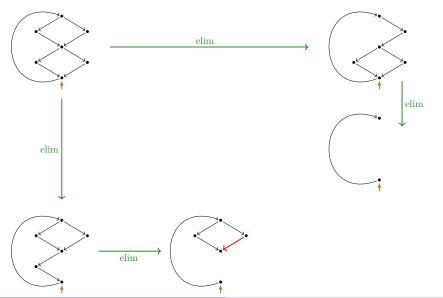


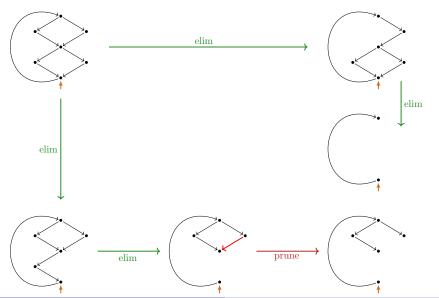


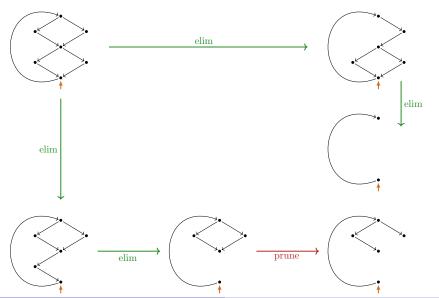


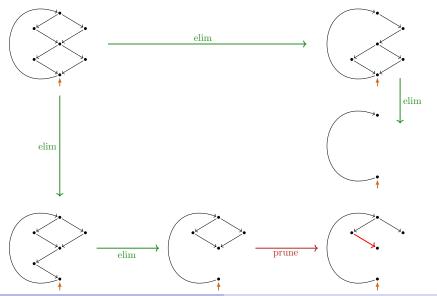


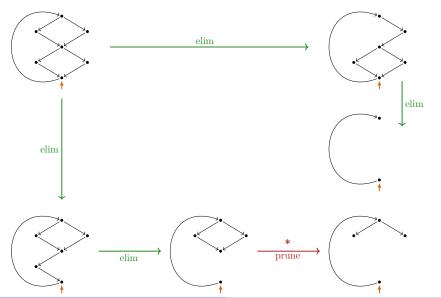


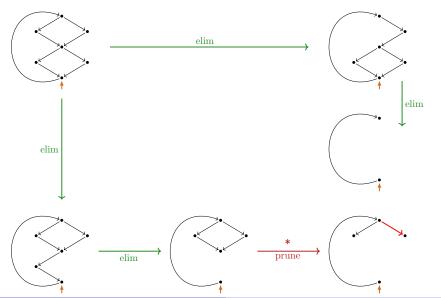


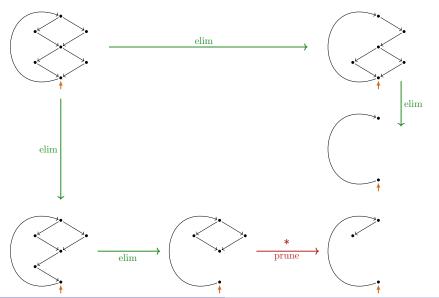


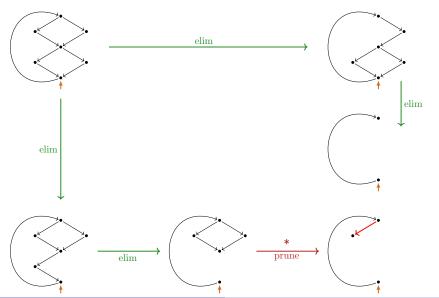


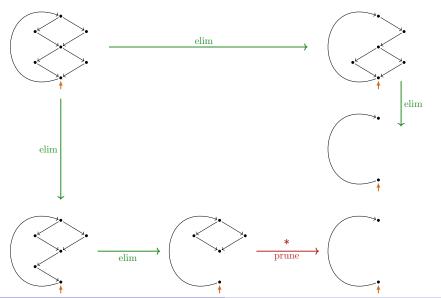


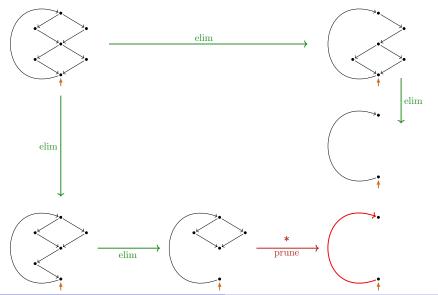


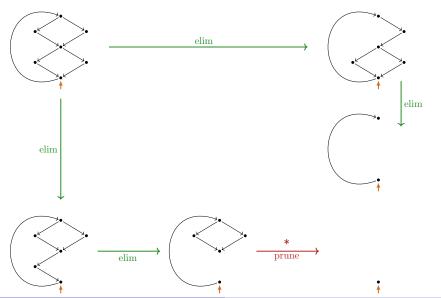


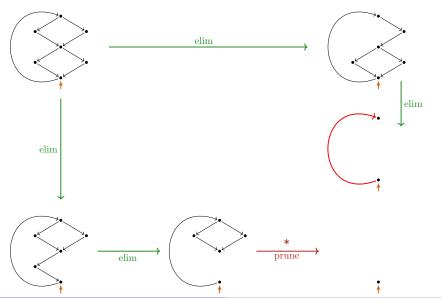


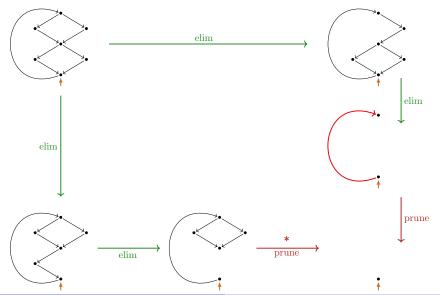


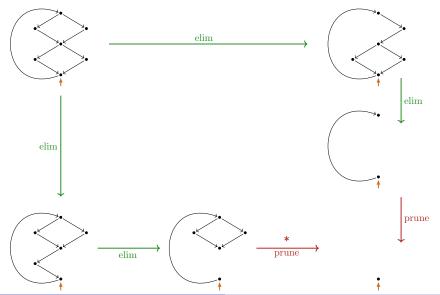


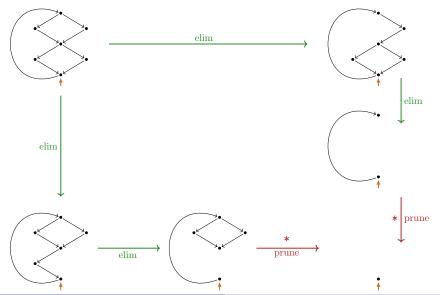










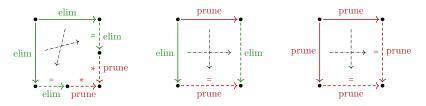


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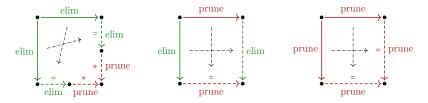


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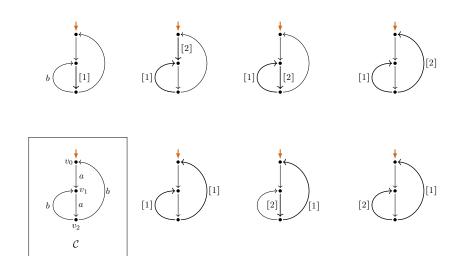
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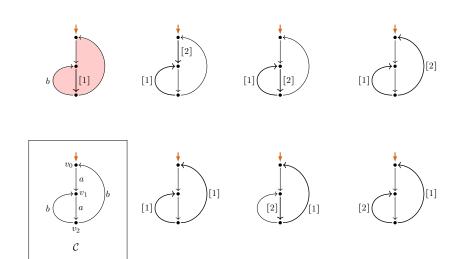
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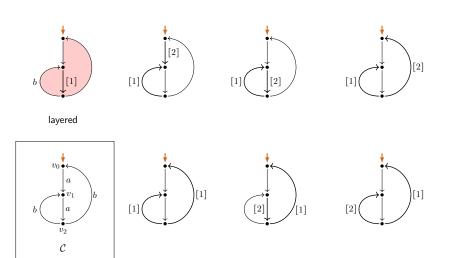
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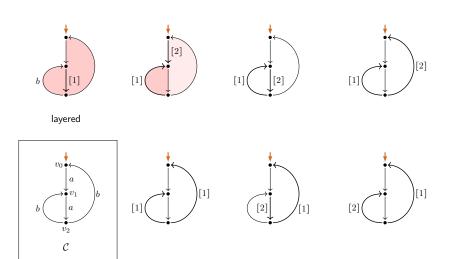
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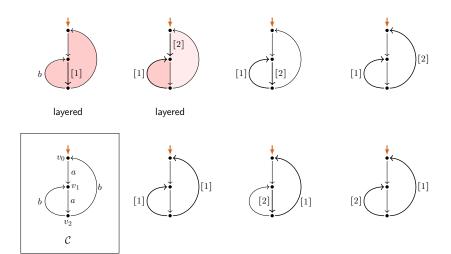
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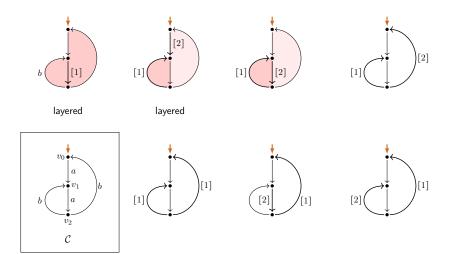


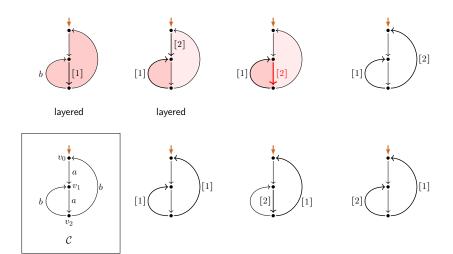


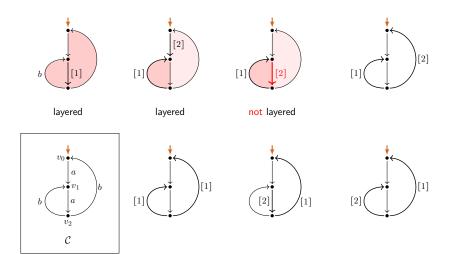


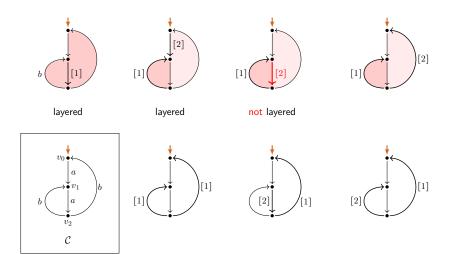


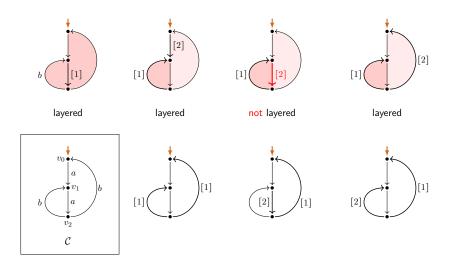


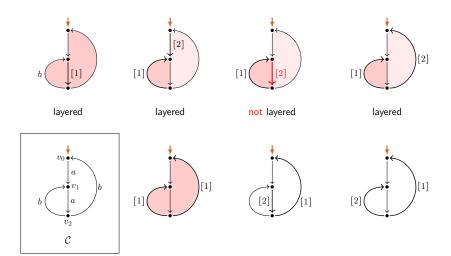


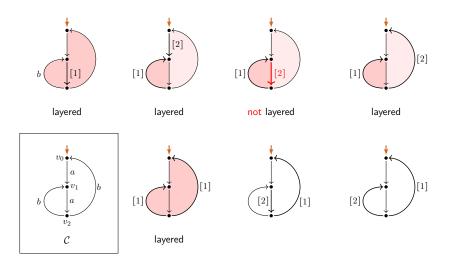


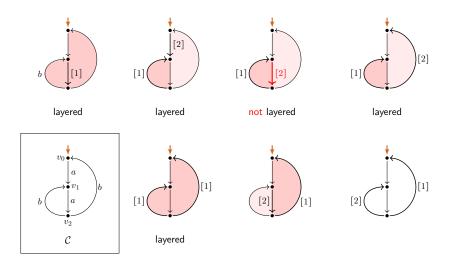


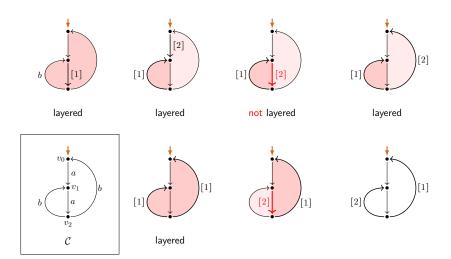


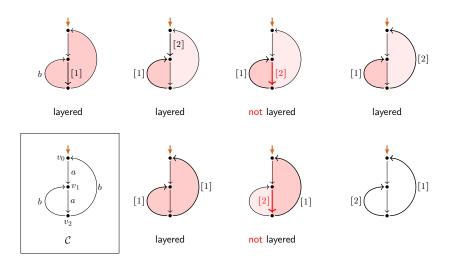


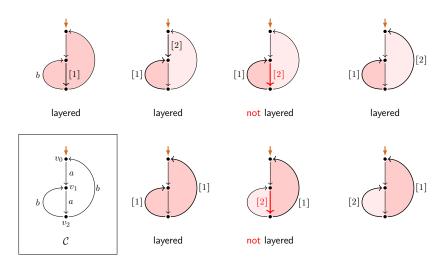


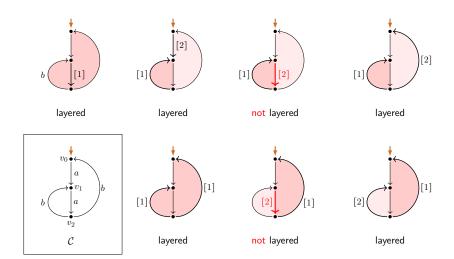


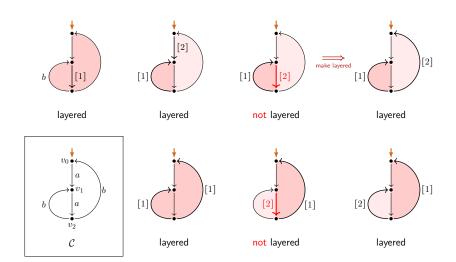


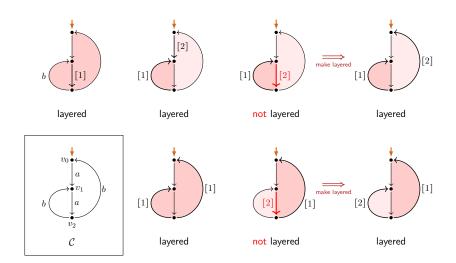


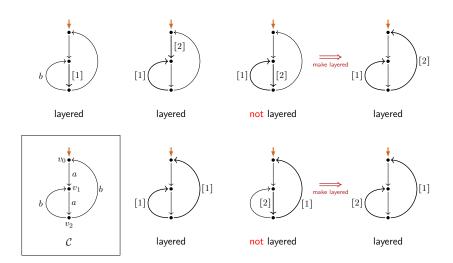












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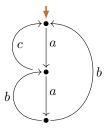
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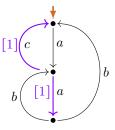
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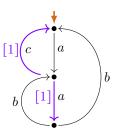






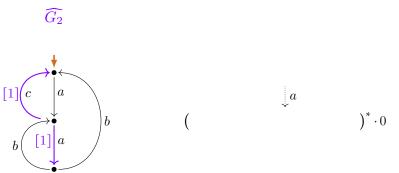


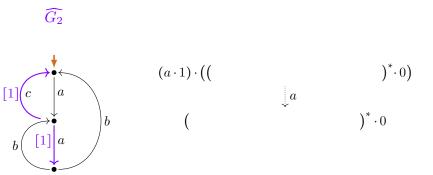


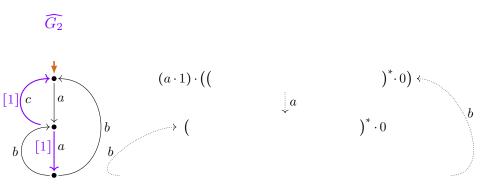


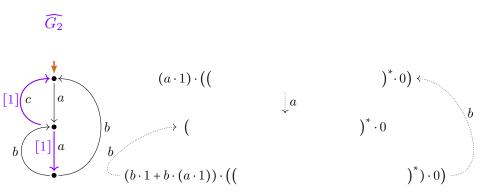
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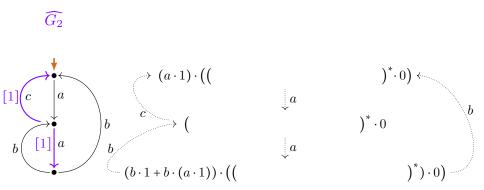
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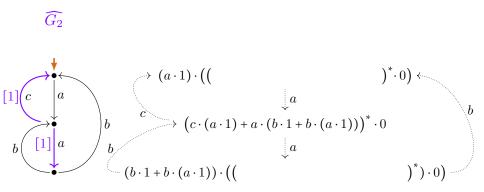




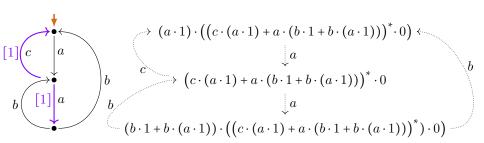


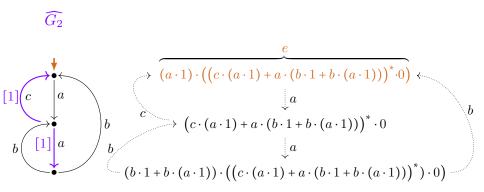


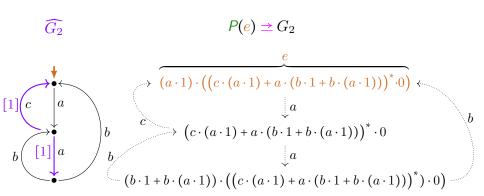


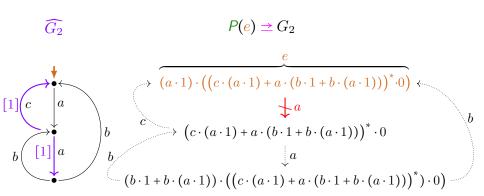


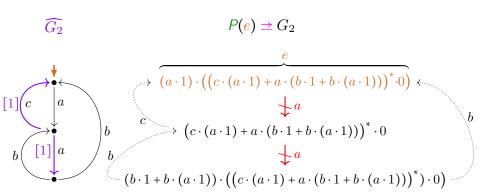


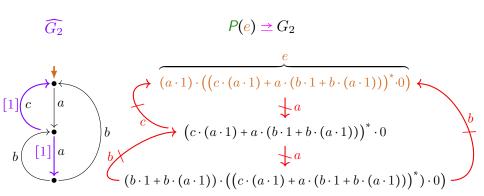


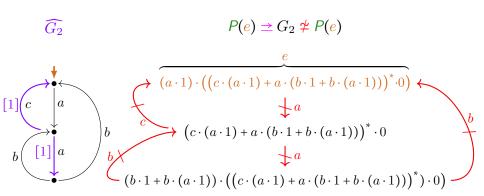












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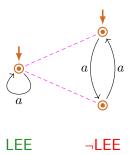
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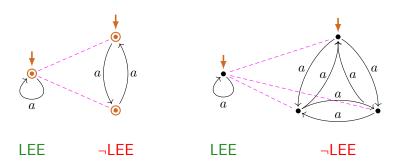
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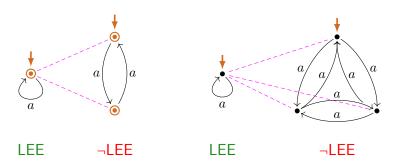
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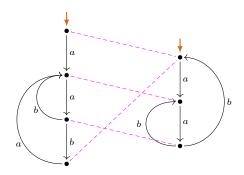
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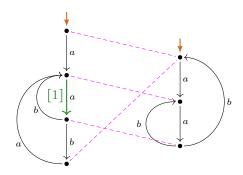
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Proof (Idea).

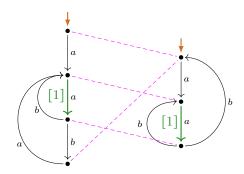
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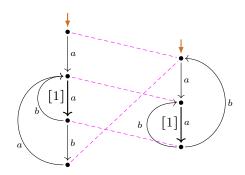
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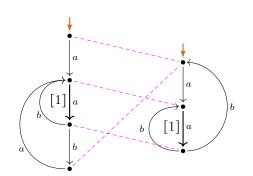
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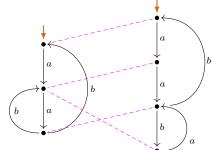


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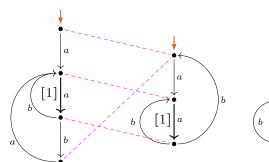
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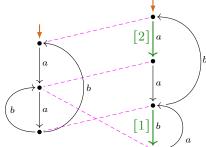




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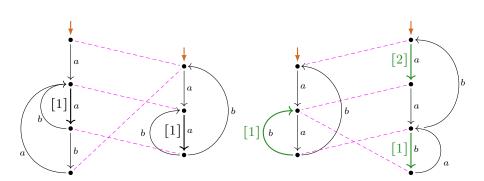
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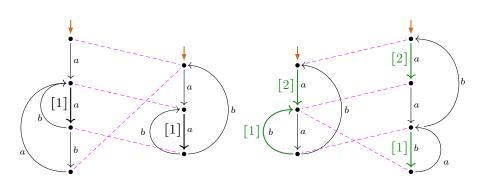
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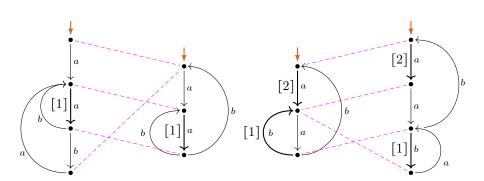
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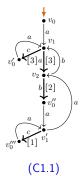
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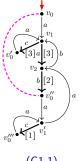
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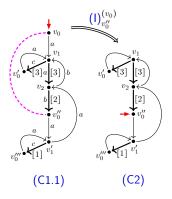


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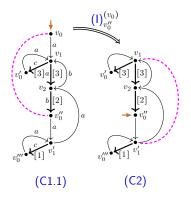


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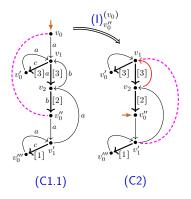
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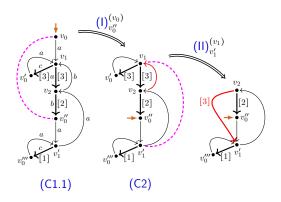
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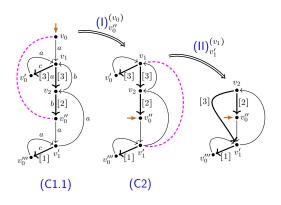
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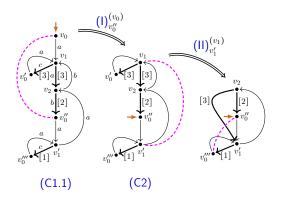
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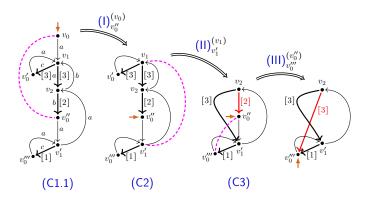
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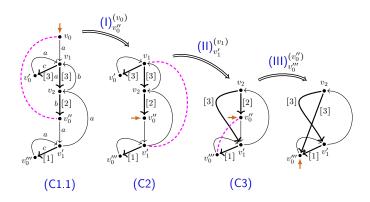
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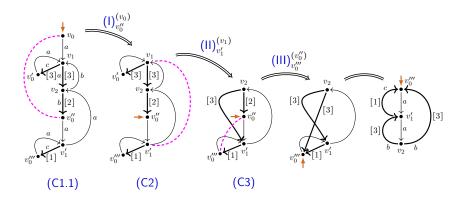
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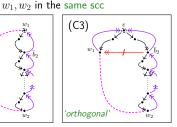


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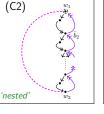
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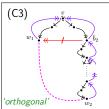
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Every reduced bisimilarity redundancy in a LLEE-graph can be eliminated LLEE-preservingly.

Properties of LEE-charts

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Theorem (← G/Fokkink, 2020)

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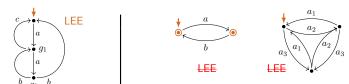
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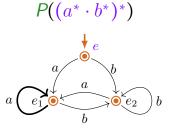
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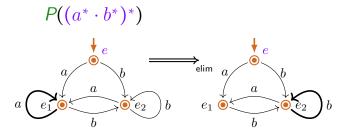
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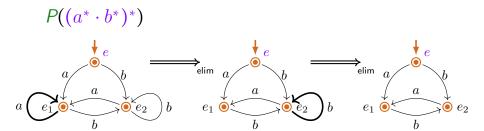
Hence $[\![\cdot]\!]_{P}$ -expressible **not** $[\![\cdot]\!]_{P}$ -expressible by 1-free regular expressions:

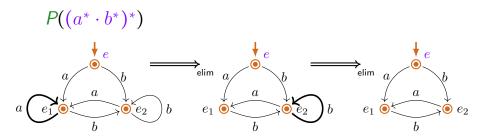


 $\stackrel{\wedge}{=}$ sharing via 1-transitions facilitates LEE

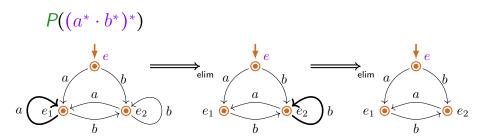








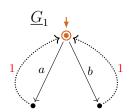
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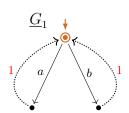
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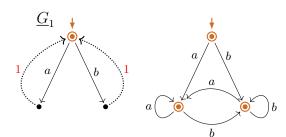
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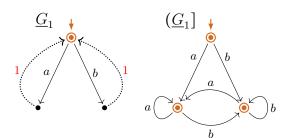
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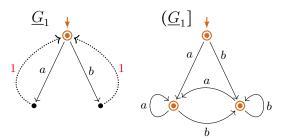


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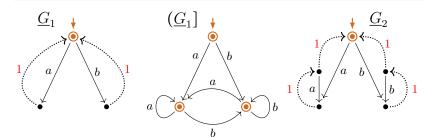


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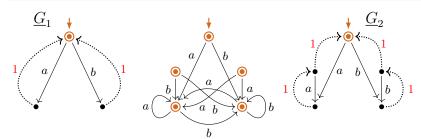


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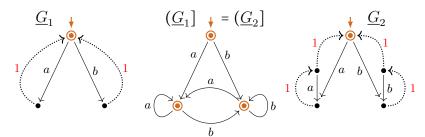


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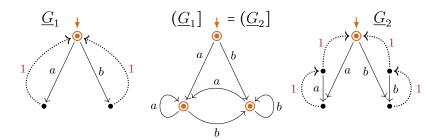
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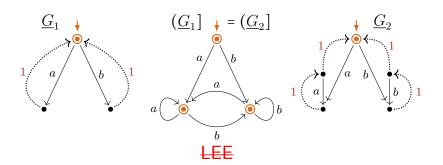
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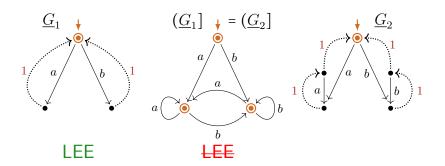
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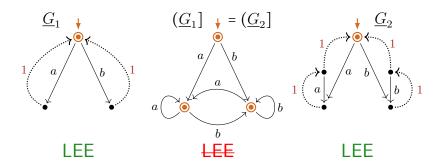
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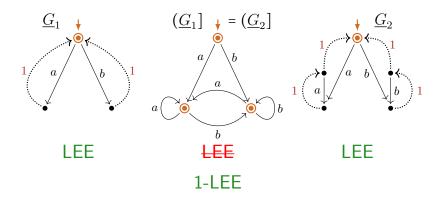
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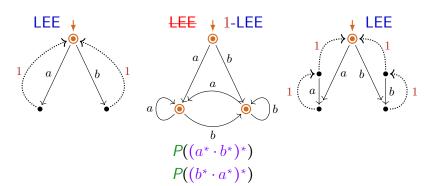


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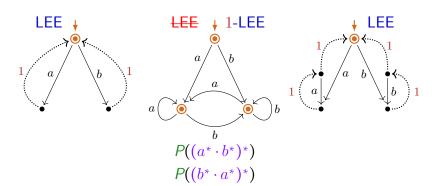
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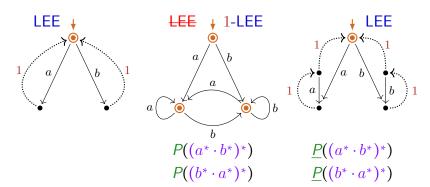
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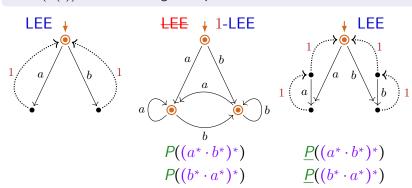


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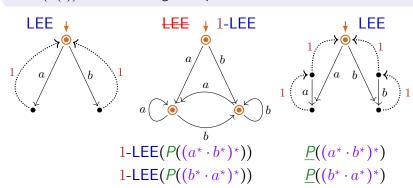


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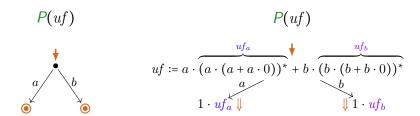
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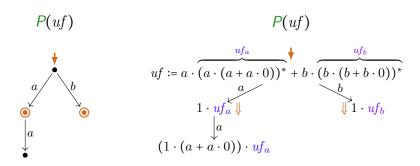
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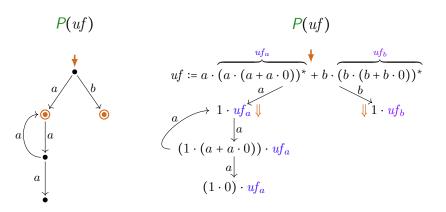
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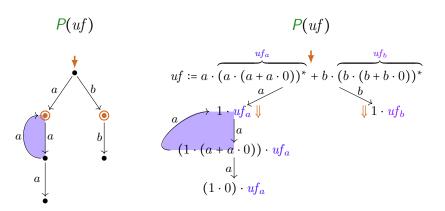
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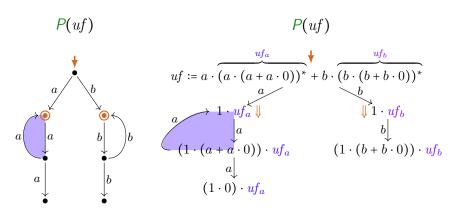
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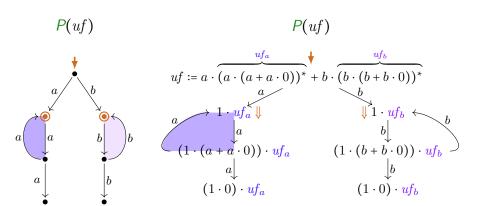


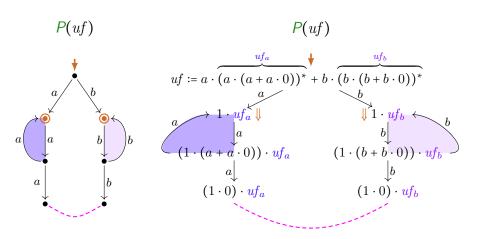












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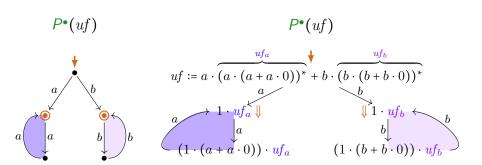


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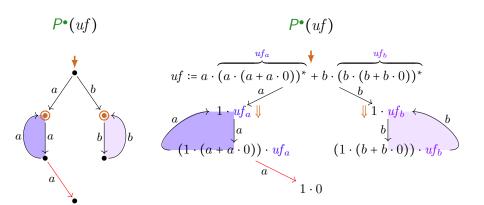
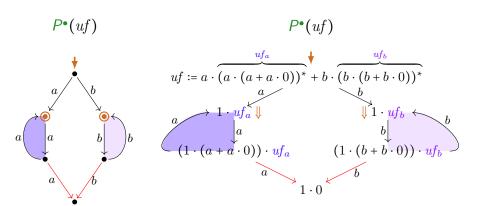


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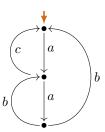


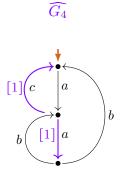
Interpretation correspondence of P^{\bullet} with LEE

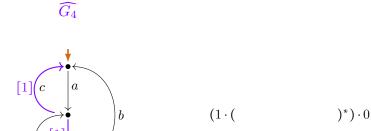
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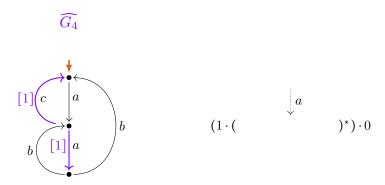
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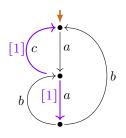








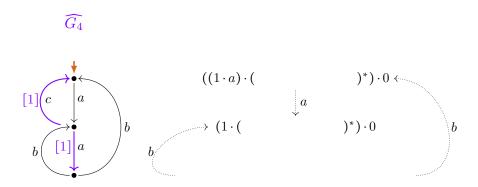


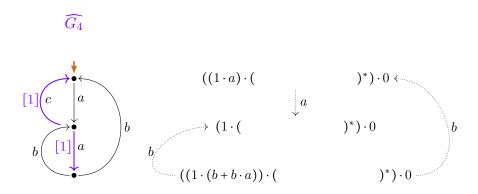


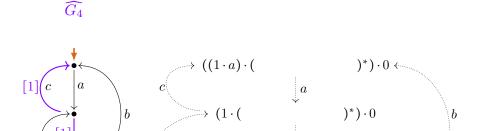
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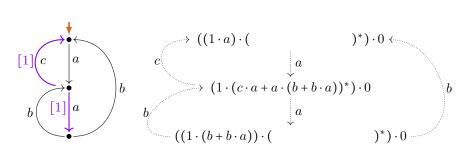




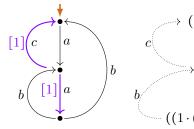


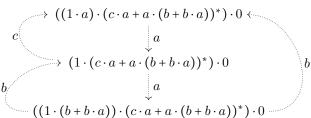
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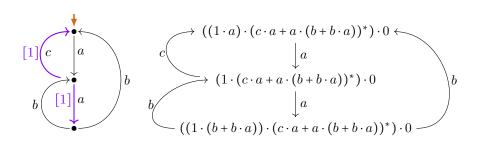












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Adapted (refined) extraction from LLEE-graph

$$G_{1} / \widehat{G_{1}}$$

$$P^{\bullet}(uf) = P(uf) \simeq G_{1}$$

$$(1 \cdot (a + (a + a))) \cdot ((c \cdot a + a \cdot (b + b \cdot (a + a)))^{*} \cdot 0) =: uf$$

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Summary

- process interpretation P/semantics $[\cdot]_P$ of regular expressions
 - expressibility and completeness questions
- ▶ loop existence and elimination (LEE)
 - loop elimination rewrite system can be completed
 - ▶ interpretation/extraction correspondences with (*/±) reg. expr.s
 - ▶ LEE-witnesses: labelings of graphs with LEE
 - stepwise LEE-preserving bisimulation collapse
- ▶ 1-LEE = sharing via 1-transitions facilitates LEE
 - interpretation/extraction correspondences with all regular expressions
 - not preserved under bisim. collapse (approximation possible)
- ► Characterizations of the image of *P* (refinement of *P*):
 - ▶ LEE $\stackrel{\triangle}{=}$ image of $P^{\bullet}|_{RExp(*/+)}$ \supseteq image of $P|_{RExp(*/+)}$
 - ▶ 1-LEE $\stackrel{\triangle}{=}$ image of P^{\bullet} \supseteq image of P
- outlook on work-to-do

My next aims

Completeness problem, solution (journal articles):

A1: graph structure of regular expression processes (LEE/1-LEE)

A2: motivation of crystallization

A4: details of crystallization procedure, and completeness of Milner's proof system

Expressibility problem

A3: LEE is decidable in polynomial time (conference article).

Q: Is 1-LEE decidable in polynomial time?

P: Is expressibility by a regular expression, for a finite process graph, decidable in polynomial time/fixed-parameter tractable time?

Resources

- Slides/abstract on clegra.github.io
 - ▶ slides: .../lf/IFIP-1_6-2024.pdf
 - ▶ abstract: .../lf/abstract-IFIP-1_6-2024.pdf
- ▶ CG: Closing the Image of the Process Interpretation of 1-Free Regular Expressions Under Bisimulation Collapse
 - ▶ TERMGRAPH 2024, extended abstract.
- ▶ CG: The Image of the Process Interpretation of Regular Expressions is Not Closed under Bisimulation Collapse,
 - arXiv:2303.08553, 2021/2023.
- CG: Milner's Proof System for Regular Expressions Modulo Bisimilarity is Complete,
 - ▶ LICS 2022, arXiv:2209.12188, poster.
- ▶ CG, Wan Fokkink: A Complete Proof System for 1-Free Regular Expressions Modulo Bisimilarity,
 - ▶ LICS 2020, arXiv:2004.12740, video on youtube.
- ▶ CG: Modeling Terms by Graphs with Structure Constraints,
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