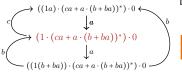
# The Graph Structure of Process Interpretations of Regular Expressions

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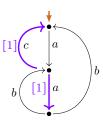
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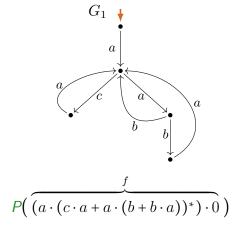
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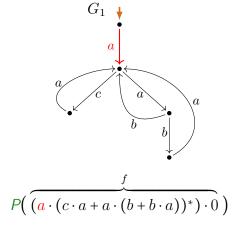
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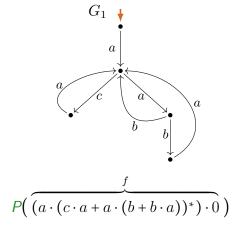
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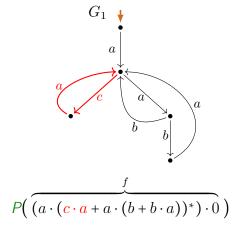
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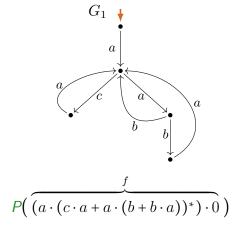
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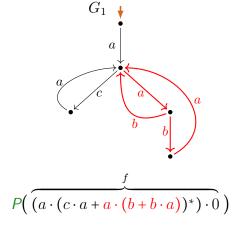


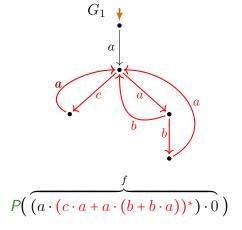


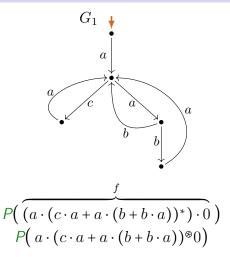


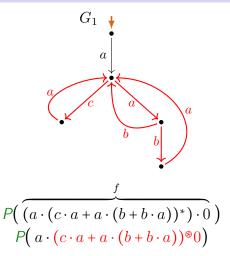


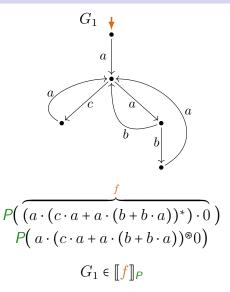


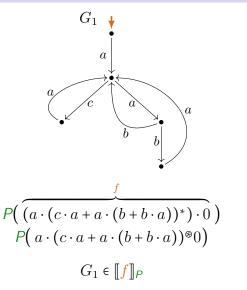


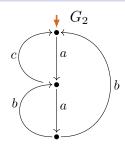


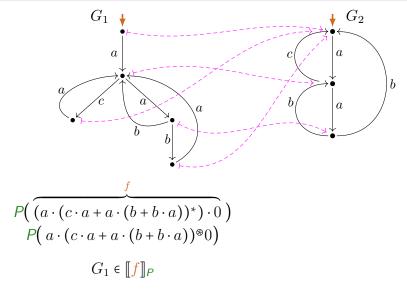


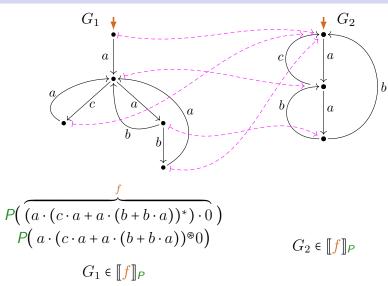












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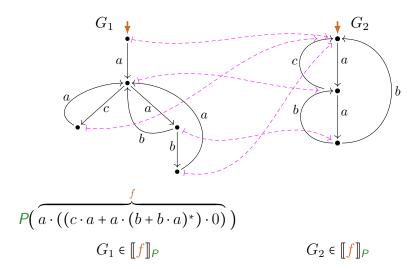
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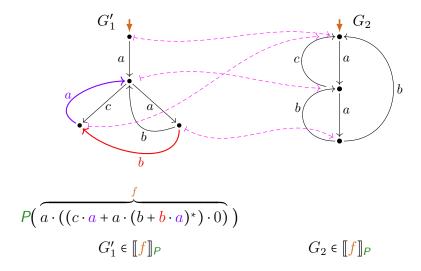
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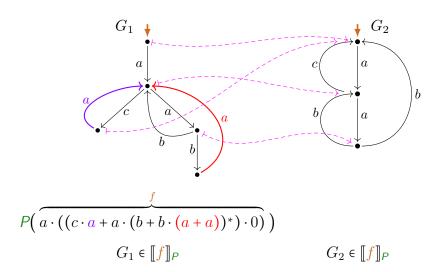
The process (graph) interpretation P(e) of a regular expression e:

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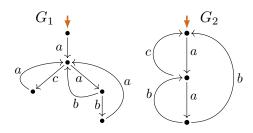


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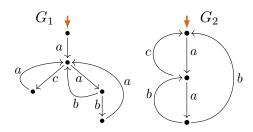
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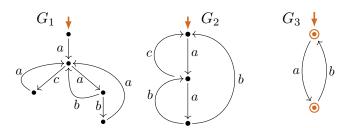
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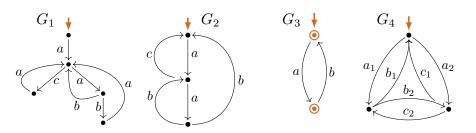


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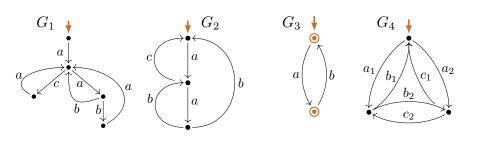


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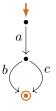
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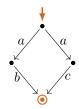
Q2: How can P-expressibility and  $[\cdot]_{P}$ -expressibility be characterized?

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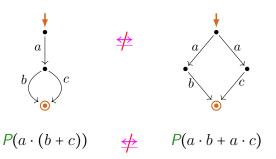
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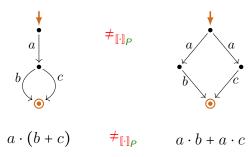
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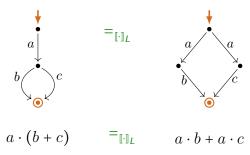
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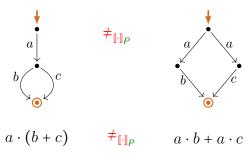
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# Milner's proof system Mil

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(A1) 
$$e + (f + g) = (e + f) + g$$
 (A7)  $e = 1 \cdot e$   
(A2)  $e + 0 = e$  (A8)  $e = e \cdot 1$   
(A3)  $e + f = f + e$  (A9)  $0 = 0 \cdot e$   
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(A5)  $e \cdot (f \cdot g) = (e \cdot f) \cdot g$  (A11)  $e^* = (1 + e)^*$ 

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

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  $=_{\mathbb{R}^{n}}$ ? (Does  $e =_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} f \Longrightarrow e =_{\text{Mil}} f \text{ hold?}$ )

But:  $e \cdot 0 \neq 0$ 

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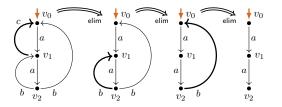
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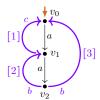
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(Q2)_0 P-Expressibility and P-(*/1)-Expressibility:
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# Loop Existence and Elimination (LEE)



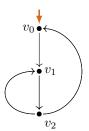


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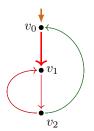
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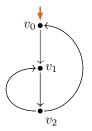
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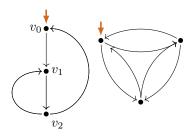
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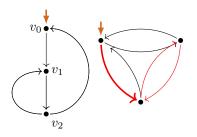
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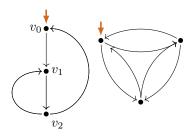
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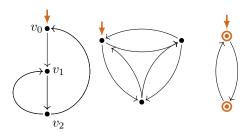
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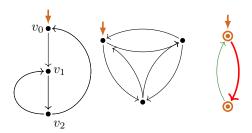
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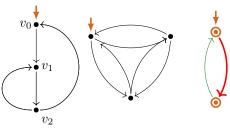
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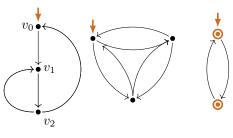
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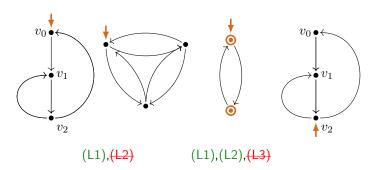


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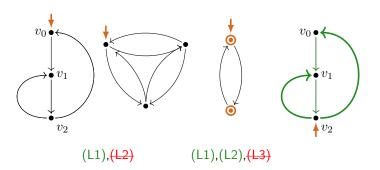
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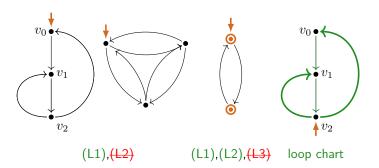
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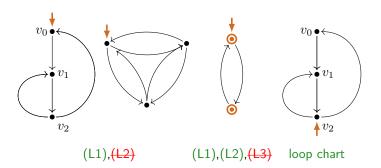
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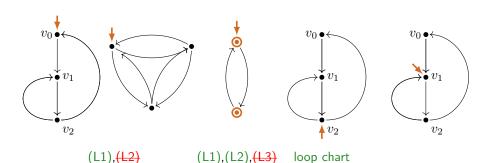
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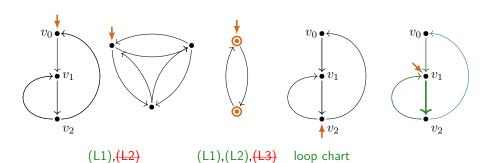
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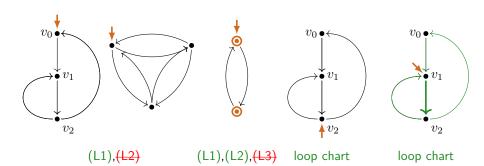
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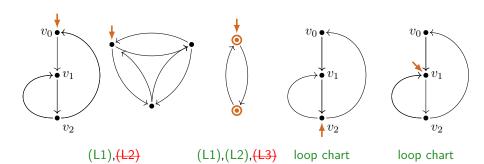
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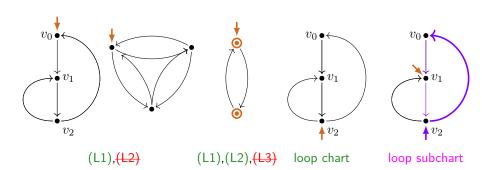
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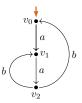
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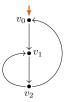


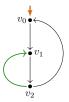
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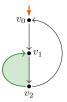
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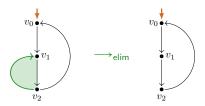


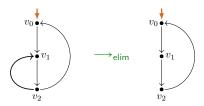


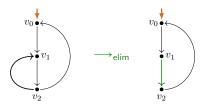


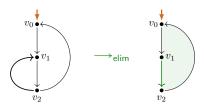


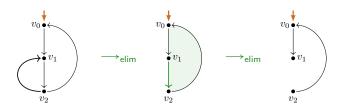


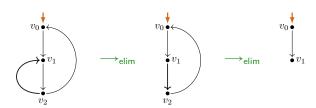


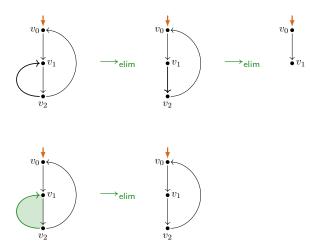


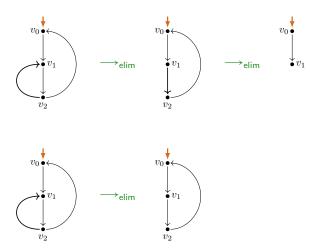


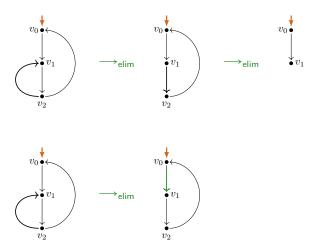


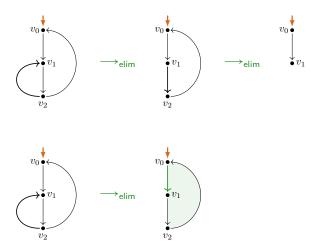


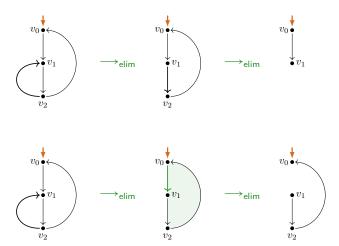


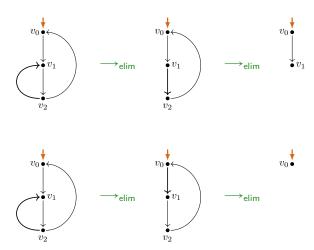


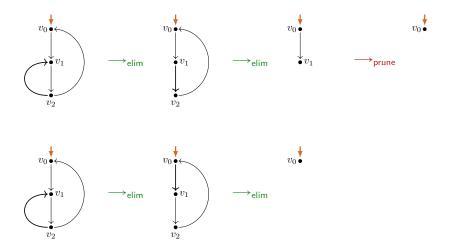


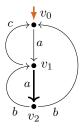


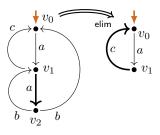


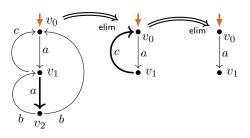


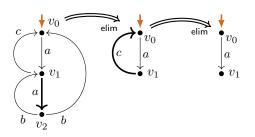


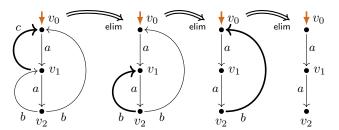












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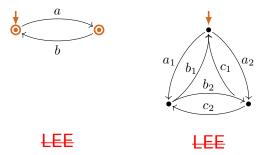
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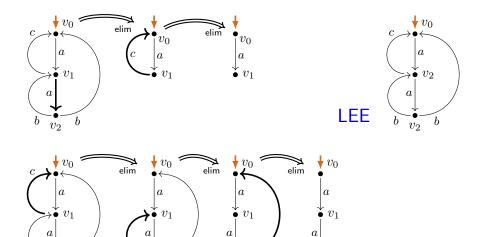
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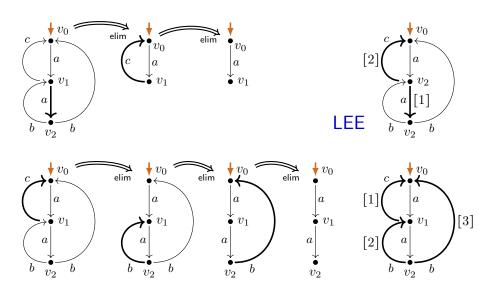
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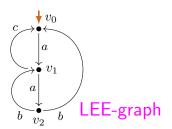


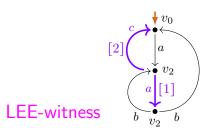
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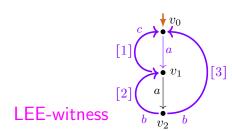
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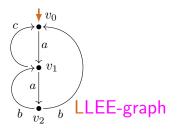


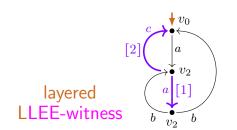


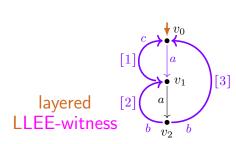


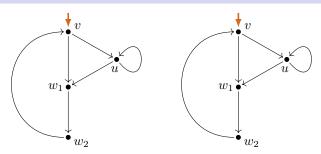


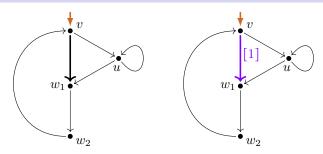
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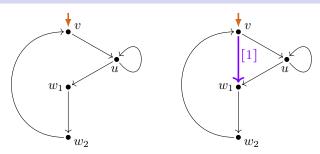


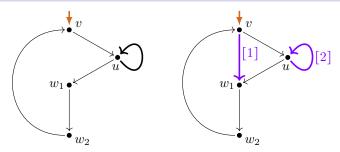


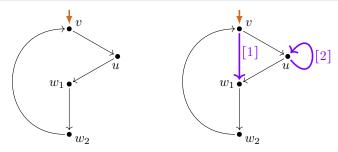


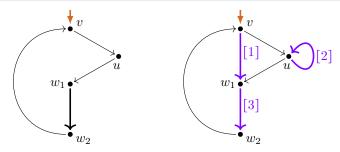


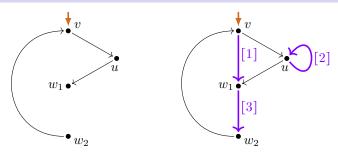


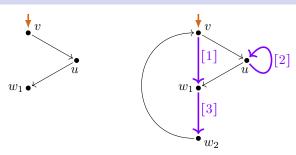


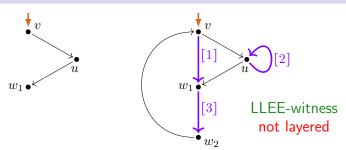


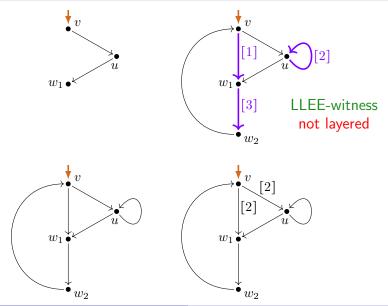


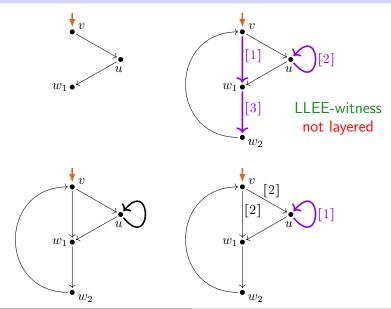


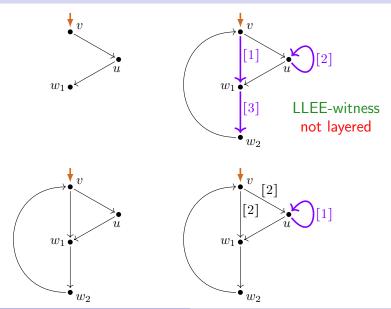


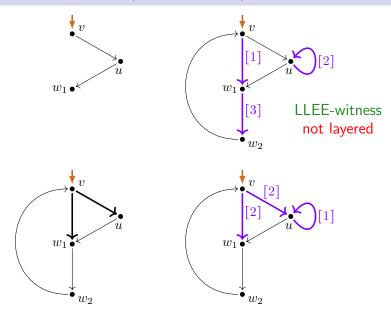


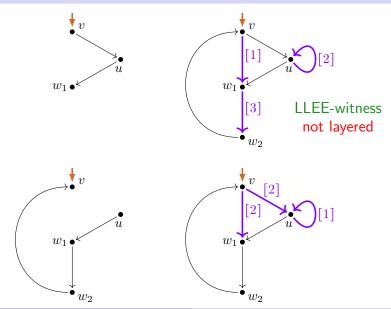


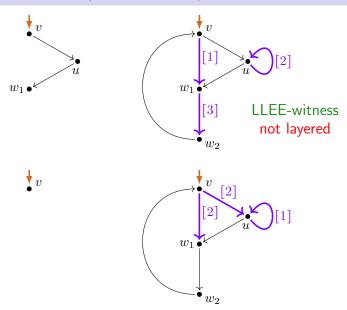


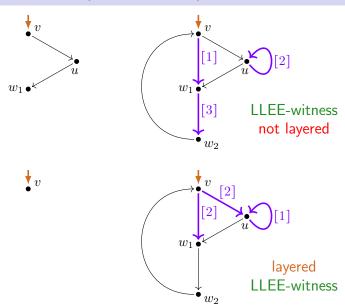


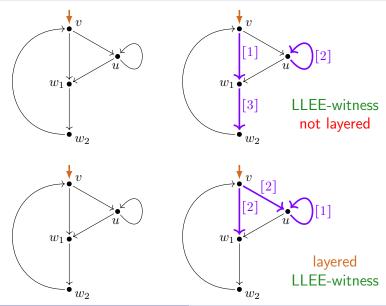




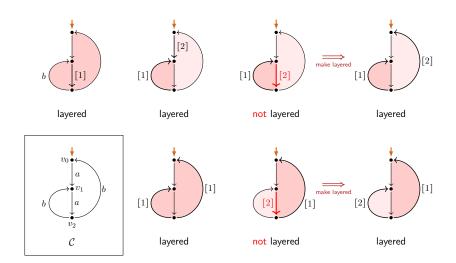








### 7 LEE-witnesses



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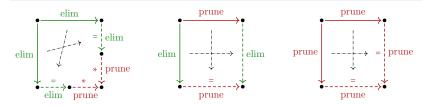
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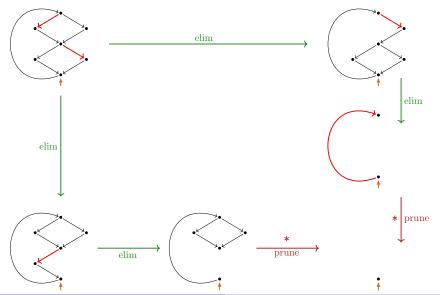
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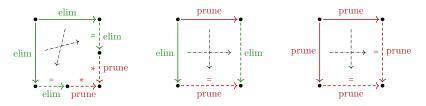


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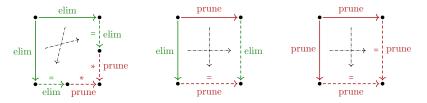


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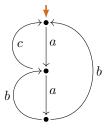
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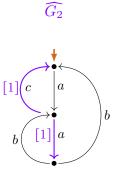
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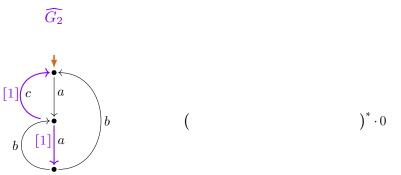
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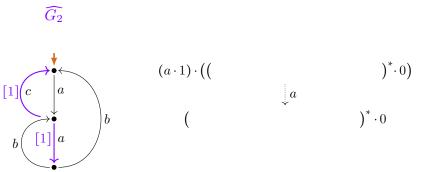


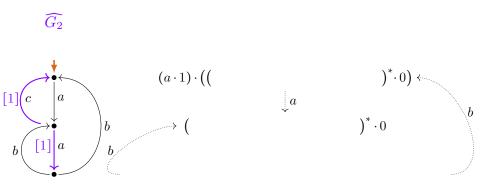


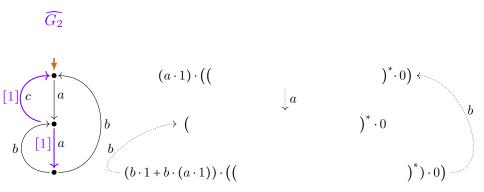


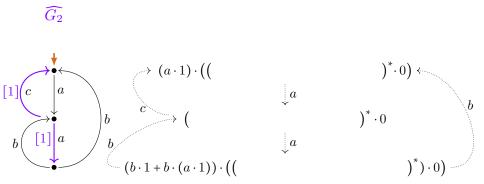


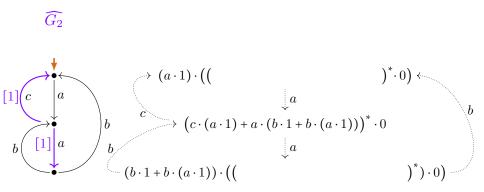




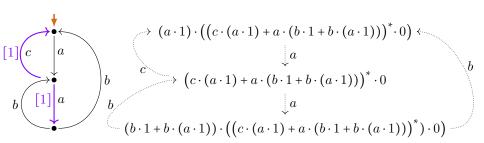


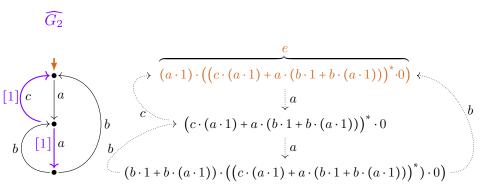


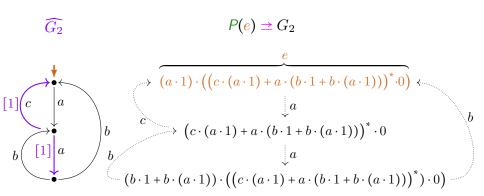


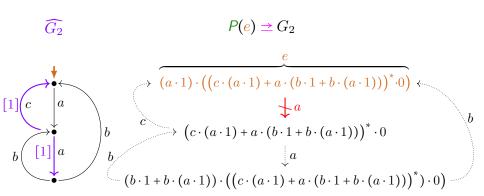


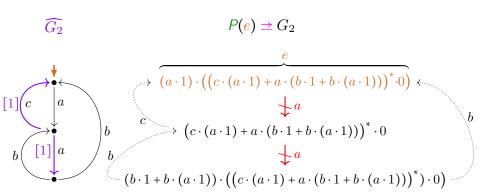


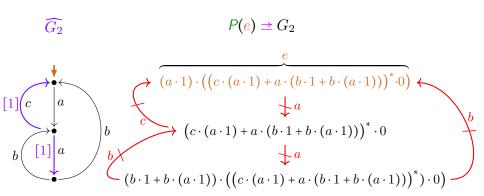


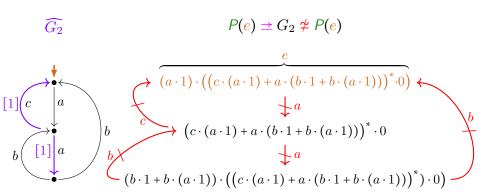












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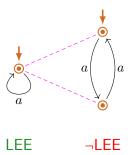
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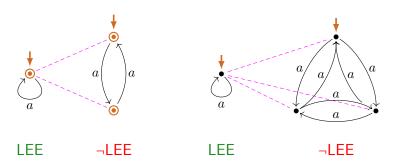
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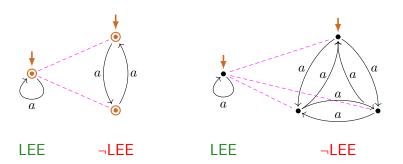
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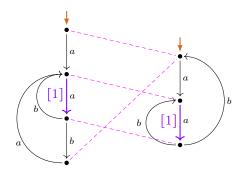
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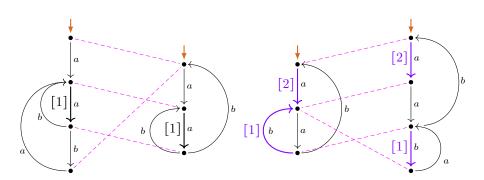
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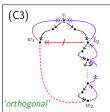
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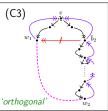


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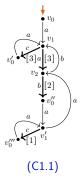


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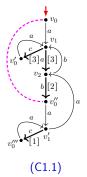
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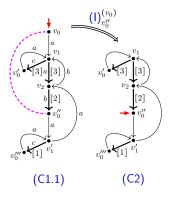
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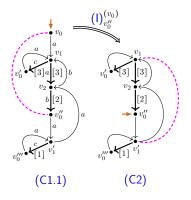
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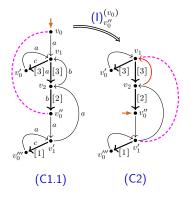
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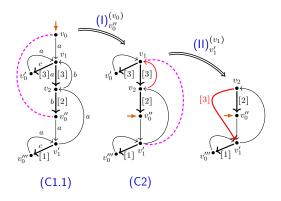
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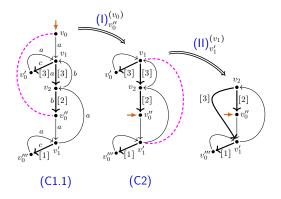
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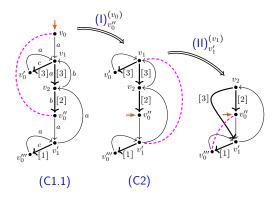
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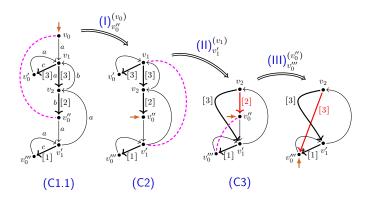
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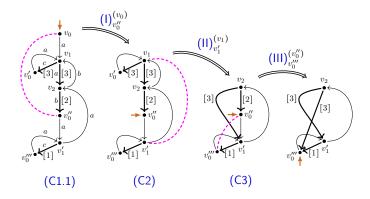
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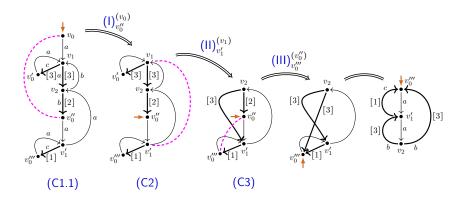
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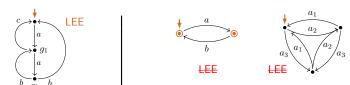
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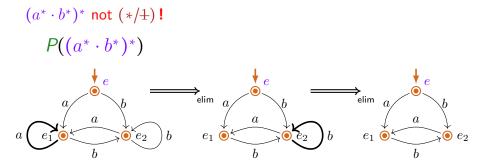
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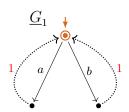
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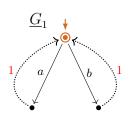
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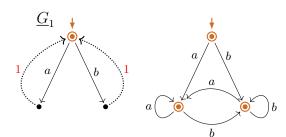
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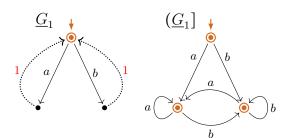
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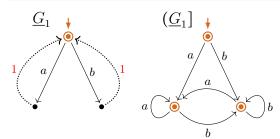


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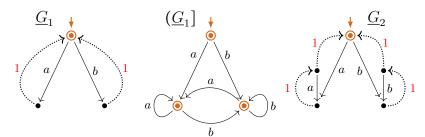


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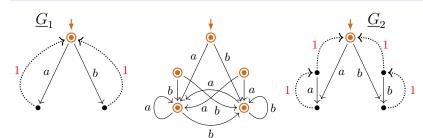


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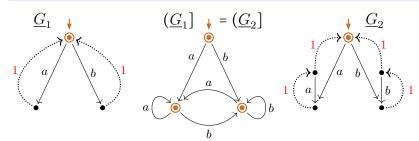


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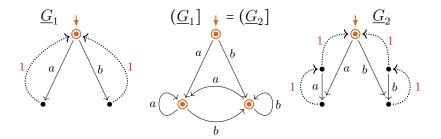
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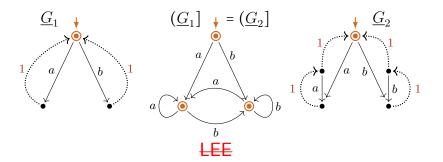
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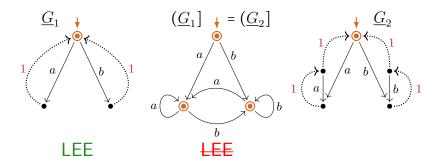
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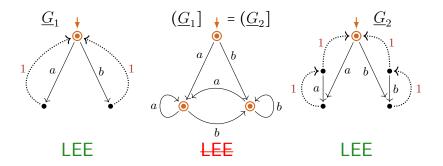
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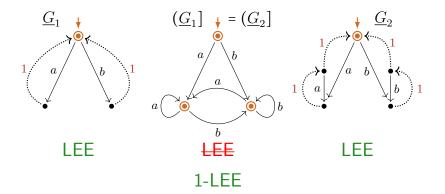
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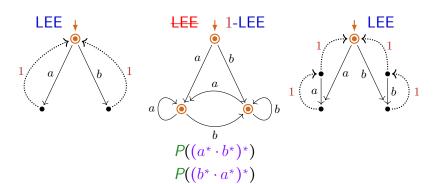


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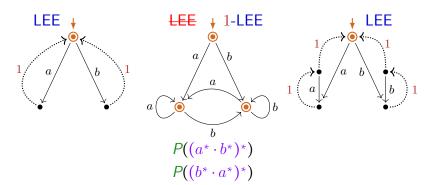
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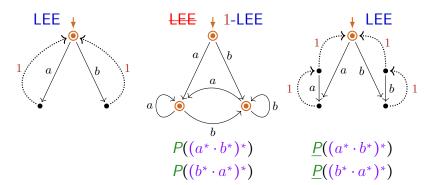
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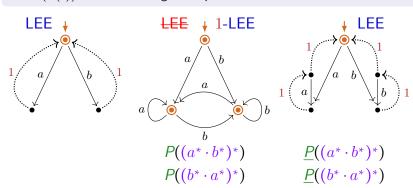


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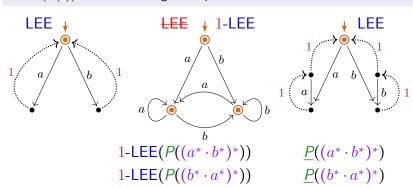


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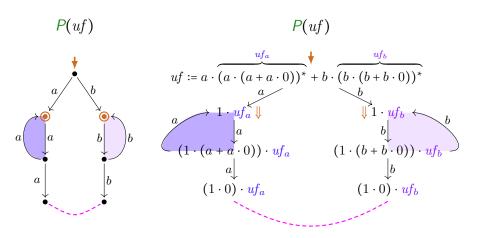
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# 1-LEE/ LEE characterize

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# Image of P is **not closed** under bisimulation collapse **not even for** (\*/ $\pm$ ) regular expressions (example)



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$$\frac{a \stackrel{a}{\rightarrow} 1}{a \stackrel{a}{\rightarrow} 1} \qquad \frac{e_{i} \stackrel{a}{\rightarrow} e'_{i}}{e_{1} + e_{2} \stackrel{a}{\rightarrow} e'_{i}} (i \in \{1, 2\})$$

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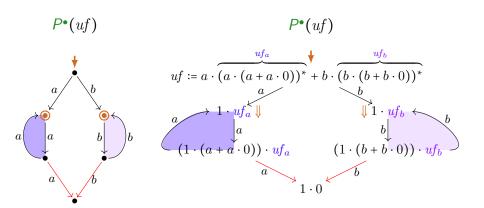
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Lemma ( $P^{\bullet}$  increases sharing;  $P^{\bullet}$ , P have same bisimulation semantics)

- (i)  $P(e) 
  ightharpoonup P^{\bullet}(e)$  for all regular expressions e.
- (ii) (G is  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{P^{\bullet}}$ -expressible  $\iff$  G is  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{P^{-}}$ -expressible) for all graphs G.

# Image of P restricted to (\*/ $\pm$ ) regular expressions

... contains all of its bisimulation collapses (example)

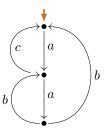


# Interpretation correspondence of $P^{\bullet}$ with LEE

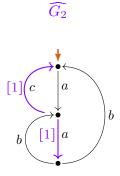
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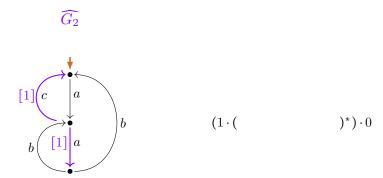
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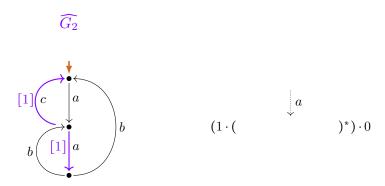




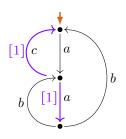
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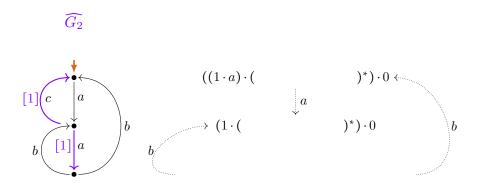


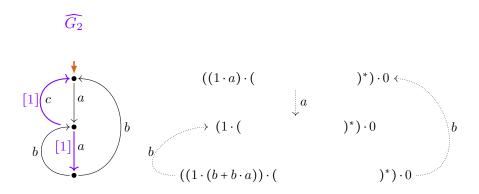


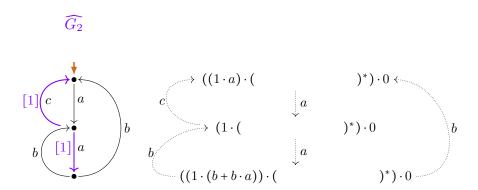
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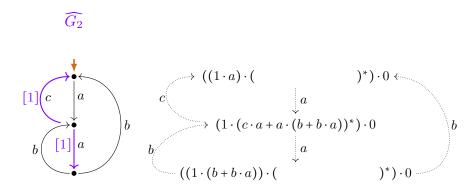
$$\downarrow a$$

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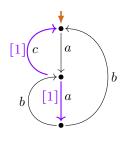


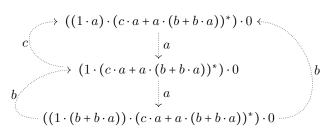




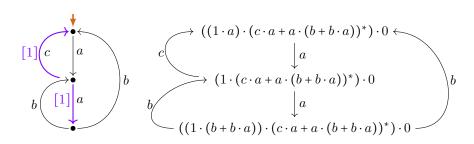












$$\widehat{G}_{2} \qquad P^{\bullet}(uf) = P(uf) \simeq G_{2}$$

$$\downarrow a \qquad \qquad \downarrow a \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

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From every finite process graph G with LEE
an under-star-1-free regular expression uf can be extracted such that G \Rightarrow P^{\bullet}(uf).
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From every finite collapsed process graph G with LEE an under-star-1-free regular expression uf can be extracted such that  $G \cong P^{\bullet}(uf)$ .

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                    such that G \simeq P^{\bullet}(uf).
(ImColl)_{P^{\bullet}}^{(*/+)}: The image of P^{\bullet},
                   restricted to under-star-1-free regular expressions,
                     is closed under bisimulation collapse.
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# Interpretation/extraction correspondences of $P^{\bullet}$ with 1-LEE

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(Int)<sub>P</sub>: P^{\bullet}-expressible graphs satisfy 1-LEE:
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                are finite process graphs that satisfy 1-LEE.
(Extr)<sub>P•</sub>: LEE implies \llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{P}-expressibility:
               From every finite process graph G with 1-LEE
                an regular expression e can be extracted
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# LEE $\stackrel{\triangle}{=}$ image of $P^{\bullet}|_{RExp^{(*/+)}}$

#### Theorem

For every process graph G TFAE:

- (i) LEE(G).
- (ii) G is  $P^{\bullet}$ -expressible by an (\*/+) regular expression (i.e.  $G \simeq P^{\bullet}(e)$  for some  $e \in RExp^{(*/+)}$ ).
- (iii) G is isomorphic to a graph in the image of  $P^{\bullet}$  on (\*/4) reg. expr's (i.e.  $G \simeq G'$  for some  $G' \in im(P^{\bullet}|_{RExp(*/4)})$ ).

### Adapted (refined) extraction from LLEE-graph

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

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

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

$$\downarrow a$$

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

$$\downarrow a$$

$$((1 \cdot (a + a)) \cdot (...)^{*}) \cdot 0$$

$$\downarrow b$$

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### 1-LEE $\stackrel{\wedge}{=}$ image of $P^{\bullet}$

#### Theorem

For every process graph G TFAE:

- (i) 1-LEE(G) (i.e. G = (G) for some 1-transition-process-graph G with LEE(G)).
- (ii) G is  $P^{\bullet}$ -expressible by a regular expression (i.e.  $G \simeq P^{\bullet}(e)$  for some  $e \in RExp$ ).
- (iii) G is isomorphic to a graph in the image of  $P^{\bullet}$  (i.e.  $G \simeq G'$  for some  $G' \in im(P^{\bullet})$ ).

#### Summary

- ▶ Characterizations of the image of  $P^{\bullet}$  (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

#### 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*):
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  - ▶ 1-LEE  $\stackrel{\triangle}{=}$  image of  $P^{\bullet}$   $\supseteq$  image of P
- outlook on work-to-do

#### My next aims

#### Completeness problem, solution:

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.

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,
  - ► TERMGRAPH 2018, EPTCS 288, arXiv:1902.02010.

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