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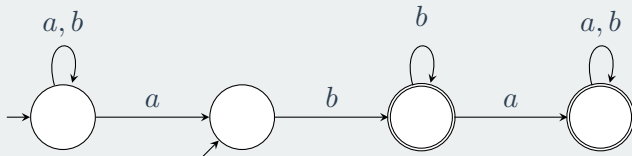
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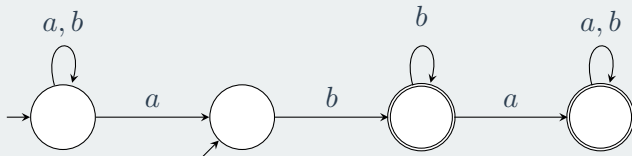
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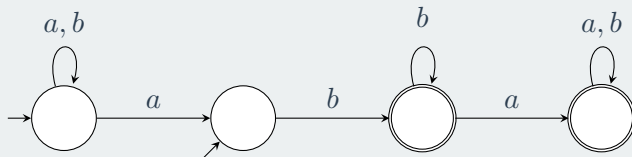


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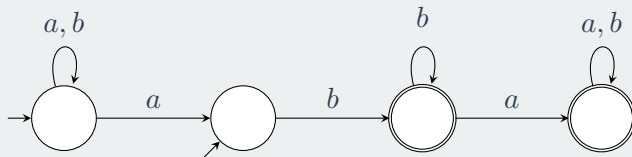


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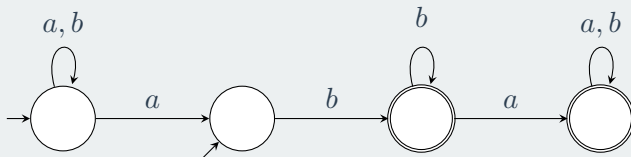
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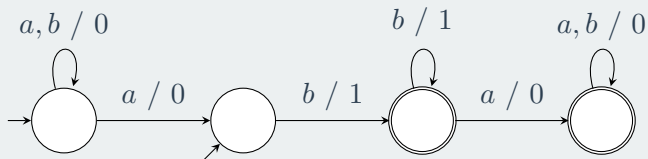
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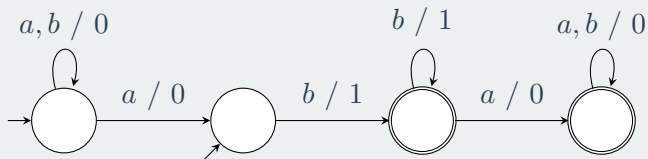
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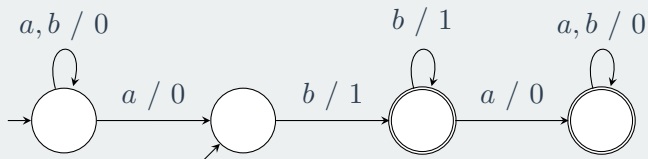
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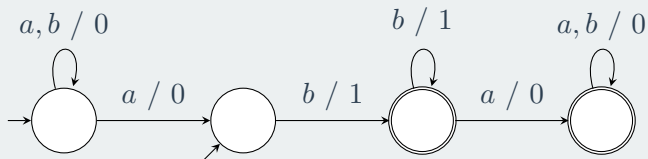


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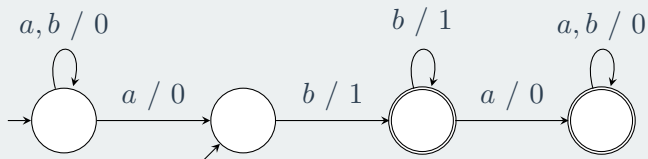
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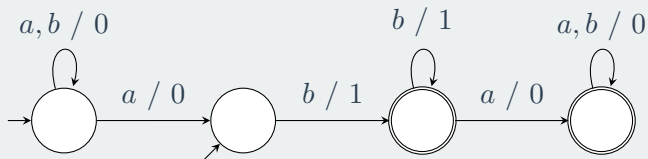
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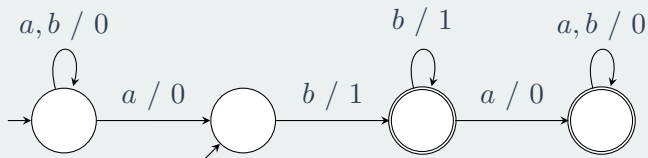
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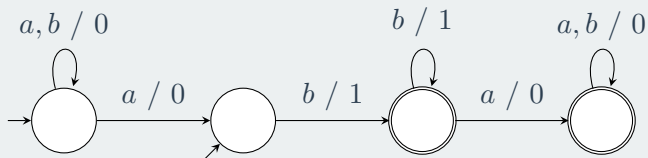
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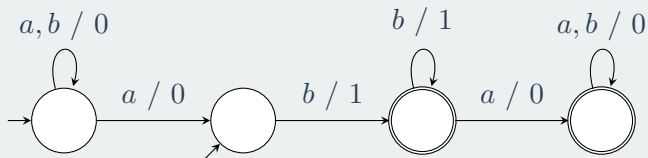
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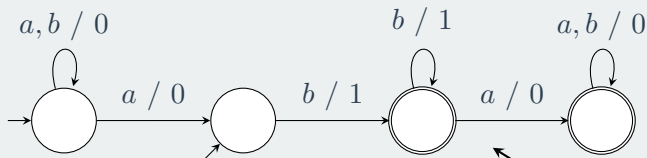
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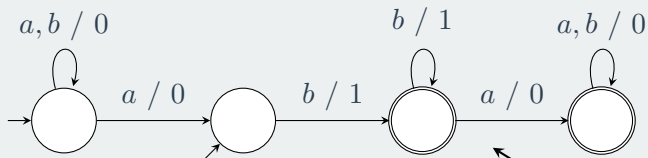
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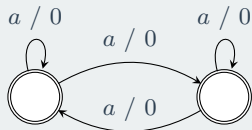
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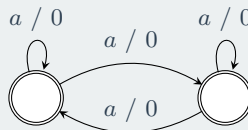
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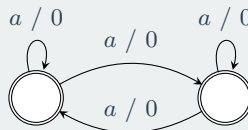
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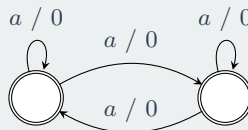


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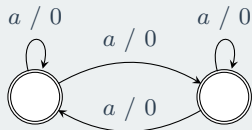


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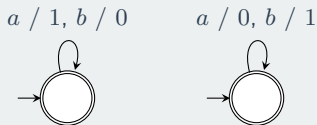


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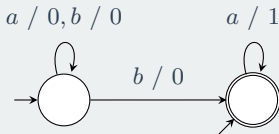
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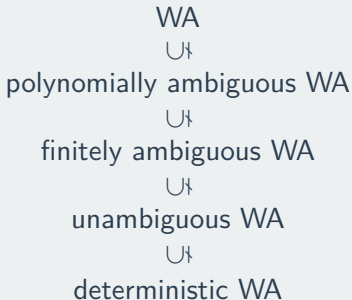
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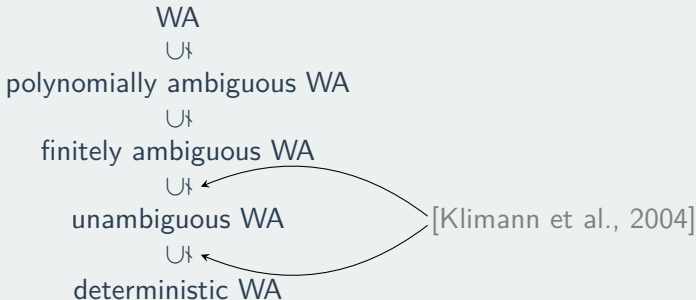
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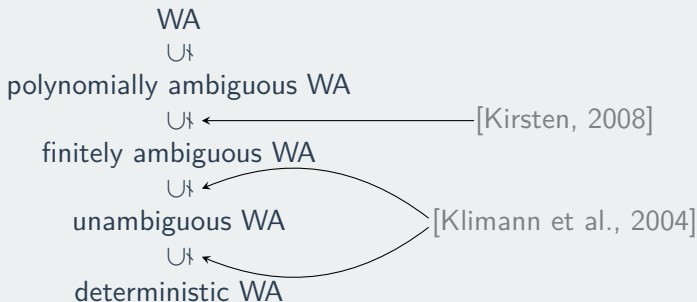
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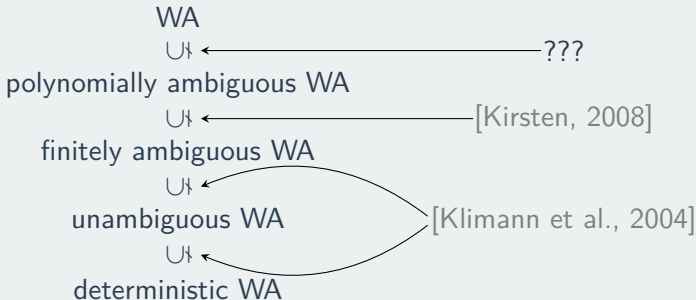
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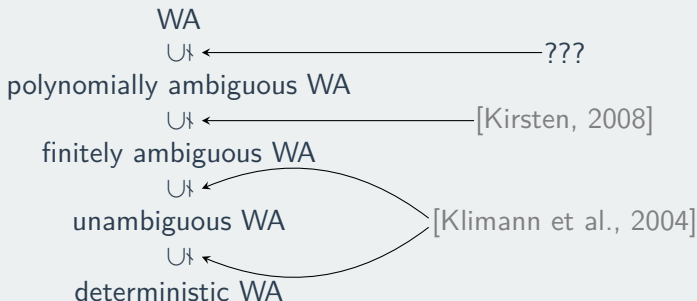
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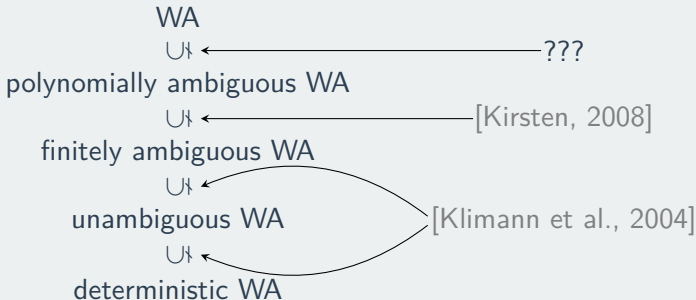


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- Context-free languages – pumping lemmas
- First order logic – Ehrenfeucht-Fraïssé games

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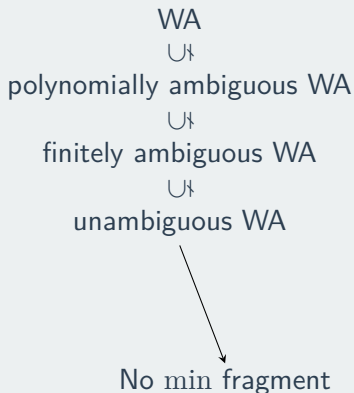
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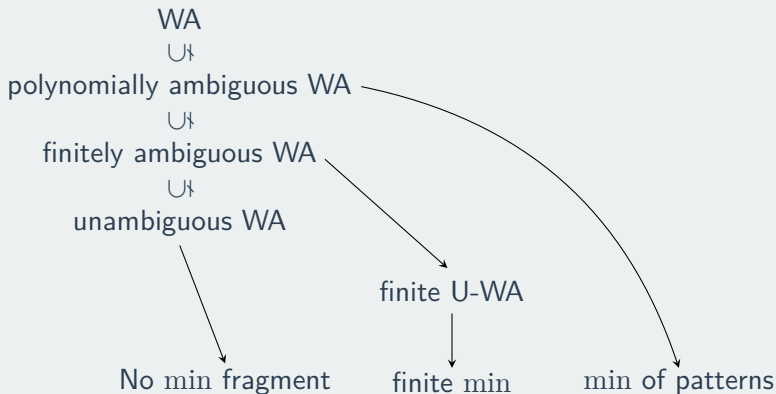
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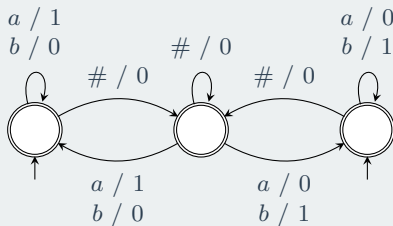
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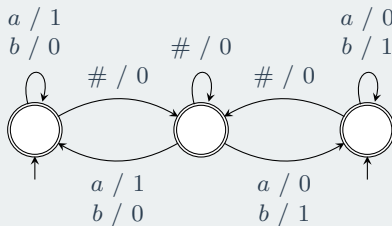


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