

Pumping lemmas for weighted automata

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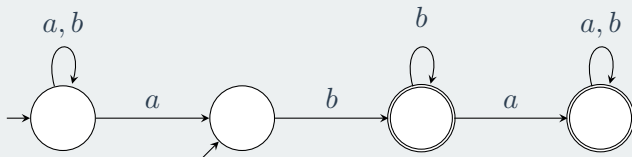
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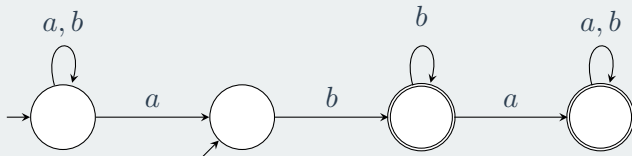
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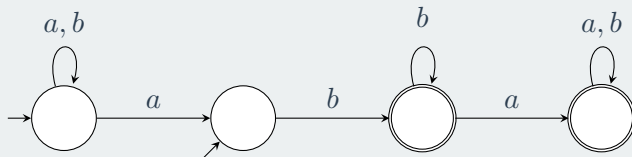


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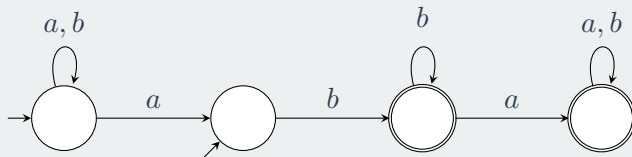


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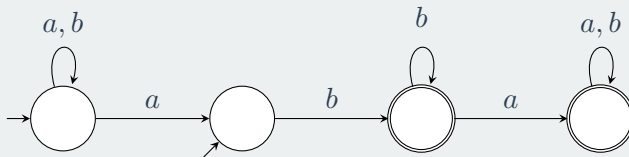
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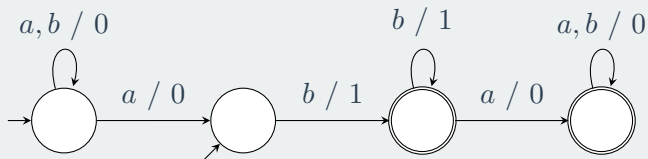
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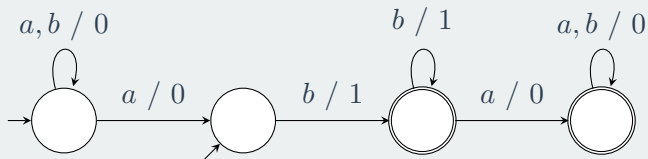
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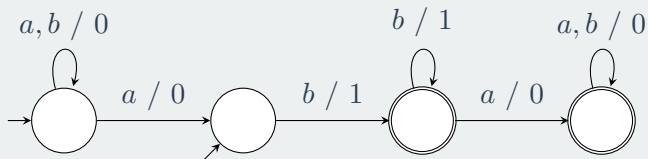
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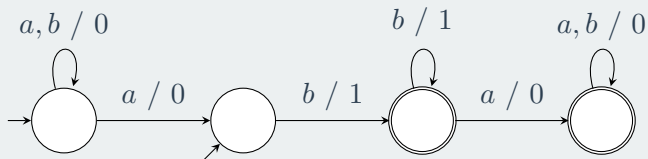


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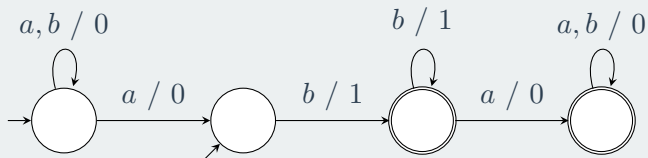
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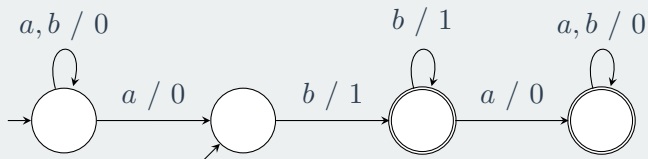
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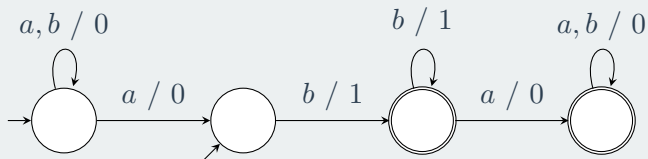
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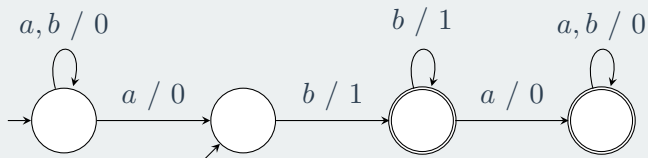
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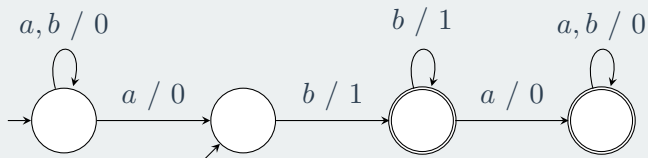
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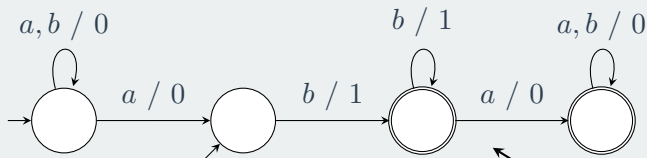
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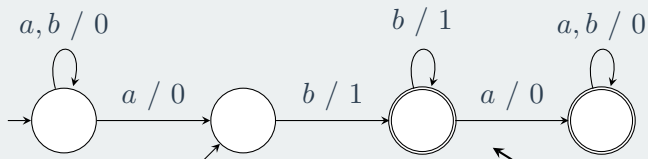
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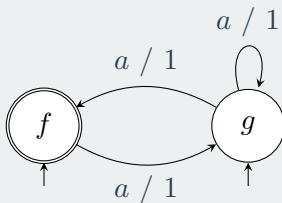
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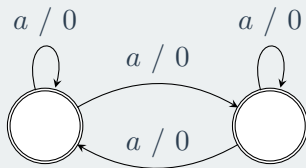
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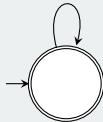
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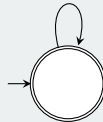
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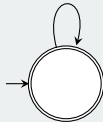
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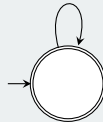
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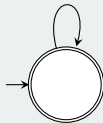
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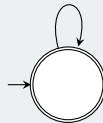
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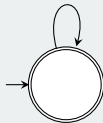
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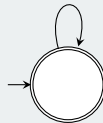
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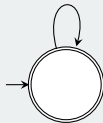
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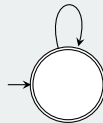
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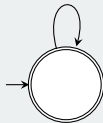
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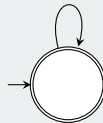
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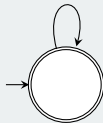
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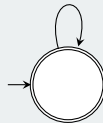
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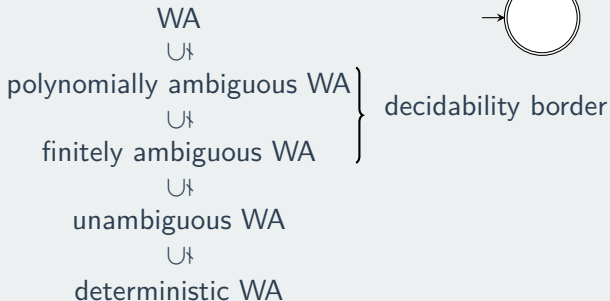
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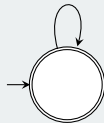
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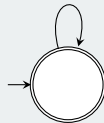
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Separating fragments of weighted automata

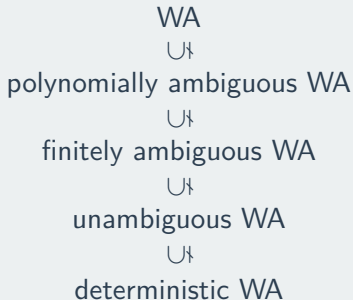
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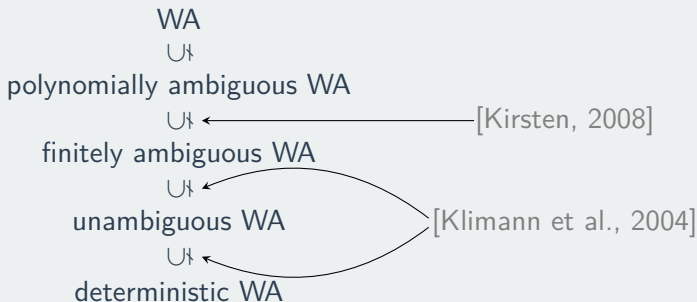
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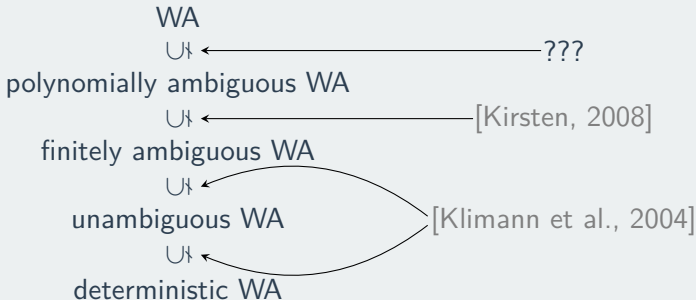
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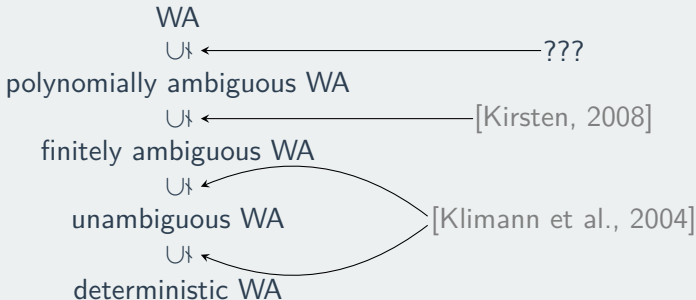
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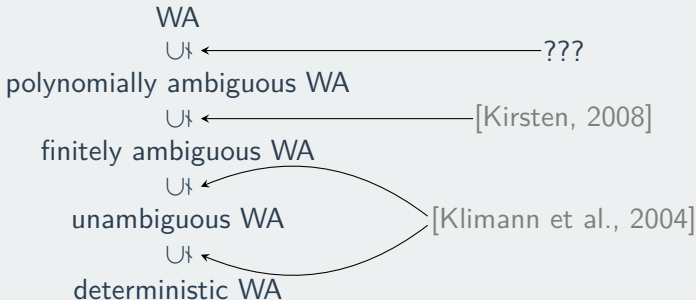


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- Context-free languages – pumping lemmas
- First order logic – Ehrenfeucht-Fraïssé games

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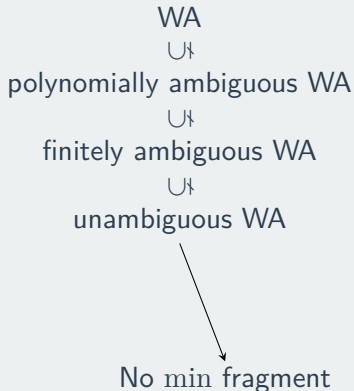
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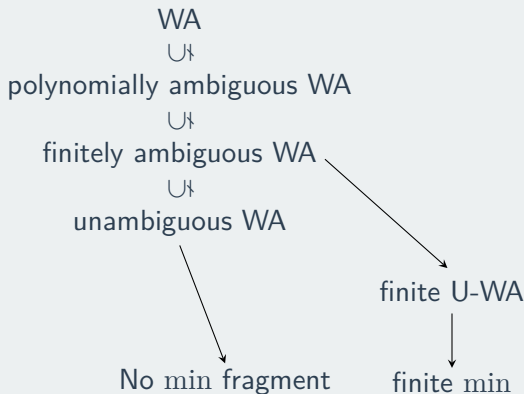
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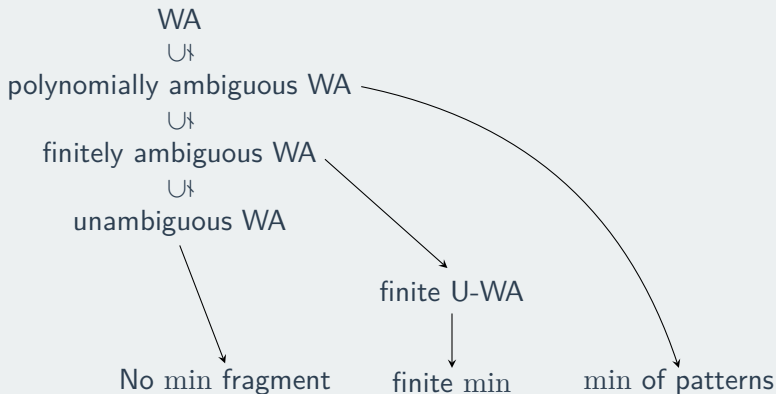
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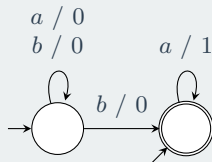
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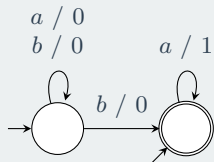
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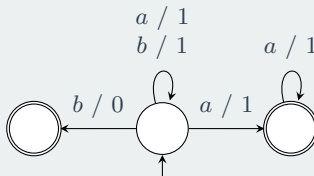
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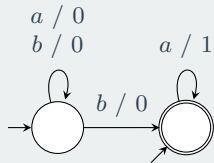
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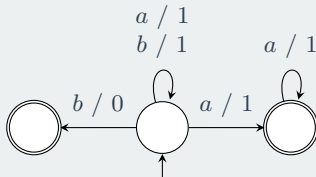
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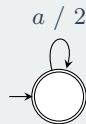
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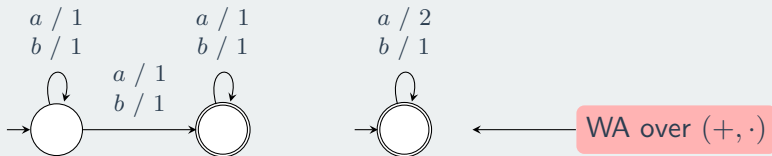
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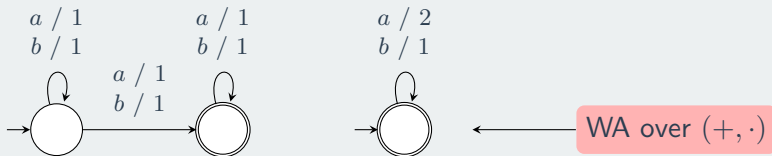


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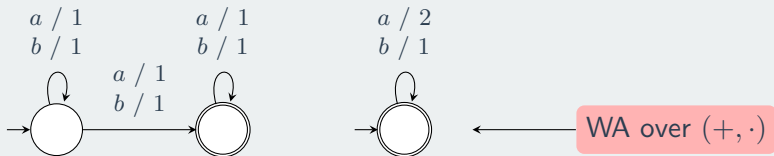
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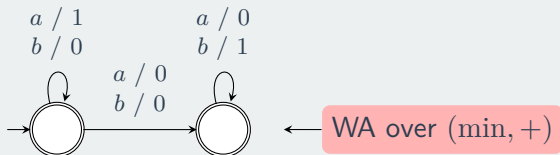
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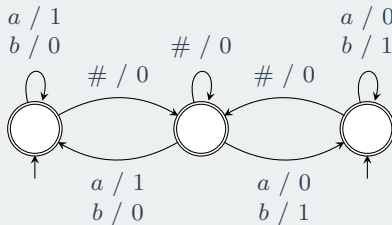
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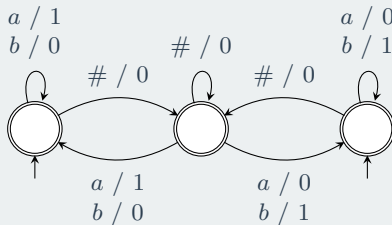
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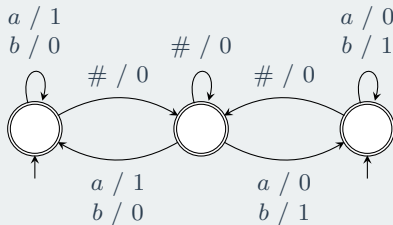
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A partition if $\bigcup_{j=1}^m S_j = \{1, \dots, n\}$, S_j nonempty, $S_{j_1} \cap S_{j_2} = \emptyset$

$S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ is a selector if $|S \cap S_j| = 1$ for all j

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