

# Ultimate periodicity of b-recognisable sets: a quasilinear procedure

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- automaton  $\mathcal{A}$
- $L(\mathcal{A}) \xleftrightarrow{\text{base } b} S$

## Definition: the class (UP)

An integer set  $S$  belongs to (UP) if there exists

- $m$ : preperiod
- $p$ : period
- $R$ : remainder set

such that  $\forall n > m, \quad n \in S \iff n \bmod p \in R.$

## Properties

- (UP) is stable by union and intersection.
- Every finite set belongs to (UP).



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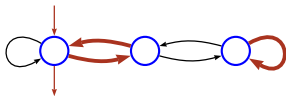


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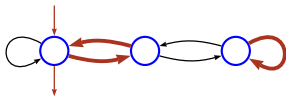
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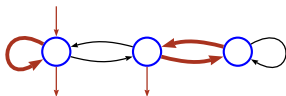


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$b$ -Rat  $\not\Rightarrow$  (UP)

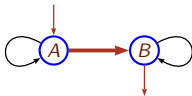


Figure: automaton accepting the powers of 2

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## Theorem (Cobham, 1969)

- $S$   $b_1$ -rational
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  - $b_1$  and  $b_2$  multiplicatively independent
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## Corollary

$$(\text{UP}) = \bigcap_{b \in \mathbb{N}} b\text{-Rat}$$

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### Generalisation of this method (CRS, 2012)

ULTIMATE-PERIODICITY is decidable for Pisot U-systems.

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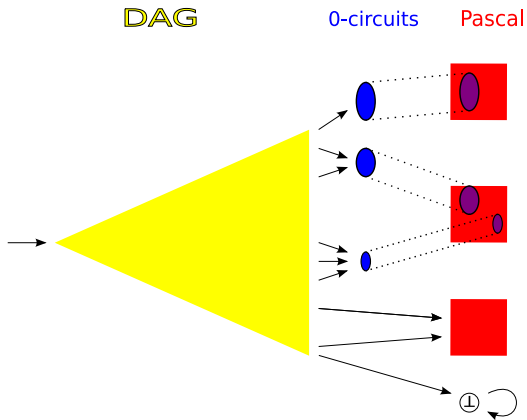
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### Corollary

ULTIMATE-PERIODICITY is solvable in quasilinear<sup>†</sup> time.

<sup>†</sup>In  $O(k + n \log n)$ ,  $n$  being the number of states and  $k$  the number of transitions.



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$\mathcal{A}$  satisfies the UP-criterion  $\iff L(\mathcal{A})$  is (UP).

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## Parameters

- ( $b$  : the base)
- $p$  : a period, coprime with  $b$ .
- $R$  : a set of remainders modulo  $p$ .

## Expected behaviour

$u \in A_b^*$  accepted by  $\mathcal{P}_p^R \iff \pi(u) \equiv r [p], r \in R.$

LSDF Representation yields:

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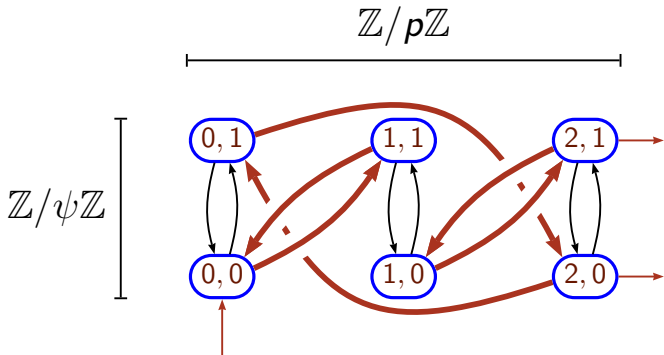
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 $\pi(u) \bmod p \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad |u| \bmod \psi$
- Transitions:  $(r, s) \xrightarrow{a} (r + ab^s, s + 1)$
- Initial state:  $(0, 0)$
- Final states:  $R \times \mathbb{Z}/\psi\mathbb{Z}$



- $(b = 2)$
- $p = 3$
- $\psi = 2$  (since  $2^2 \equiv 1 [3]$ )



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## Lemma (isotropism)

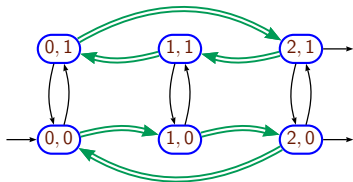
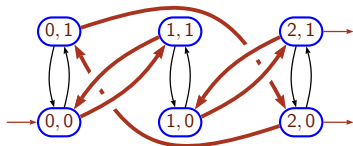
Changing the initial state of a Pascal automaton  $\mathcal{P}_p^R$  yields a Pascal automaton  $\mathcal{P}_p^S$  with the same period  $p$  but a different remainder  $S$ .

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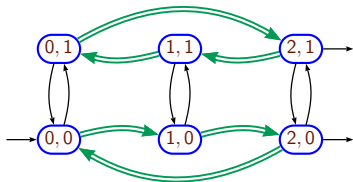
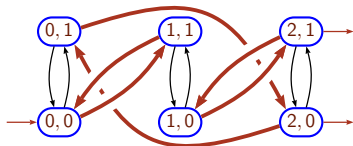


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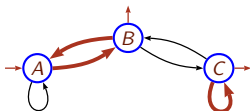
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## Outline of the algorithm

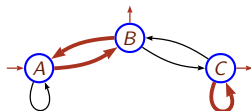
- Step 1 – Simplifications : changing the alphabet
- Step 2 – Computation of the parameters ( $p$ ,  $R$ , etc)
- Step 3 – Verification

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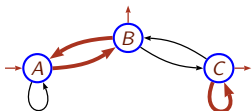


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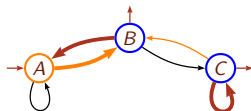


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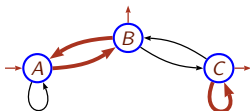
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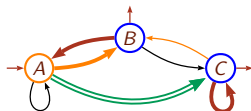
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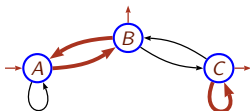
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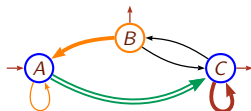
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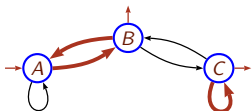
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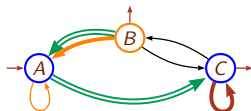
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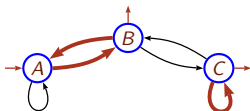
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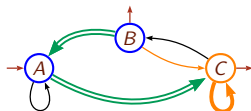
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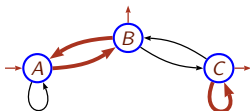
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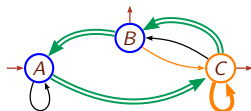
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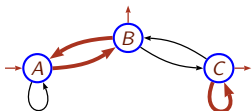
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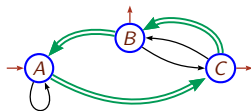
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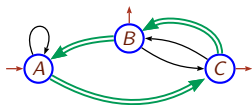


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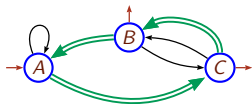
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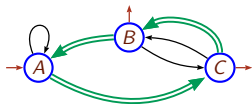


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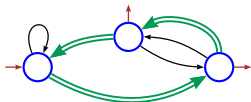
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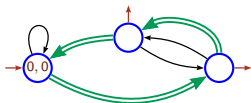
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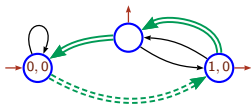
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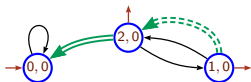
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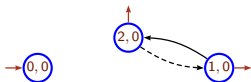
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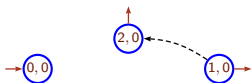
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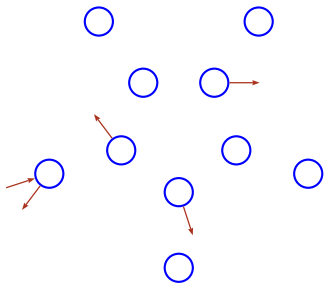
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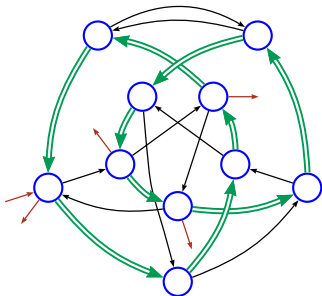
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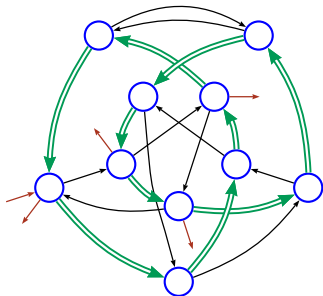
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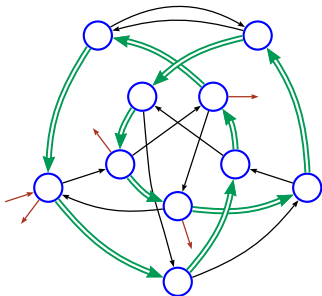


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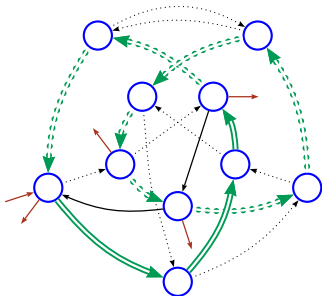


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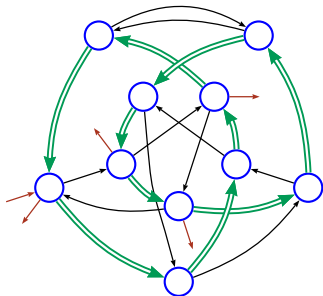
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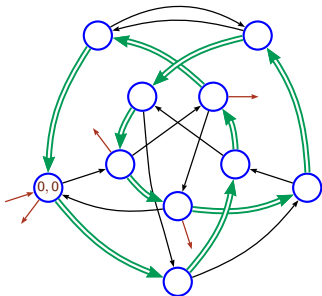
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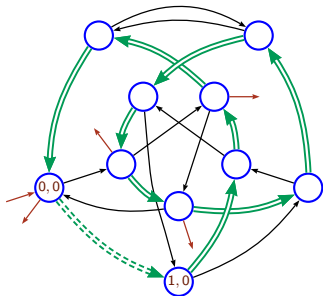
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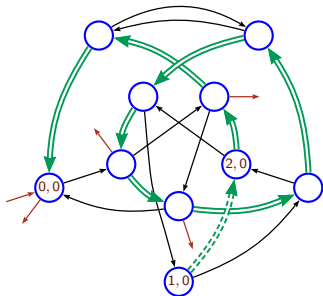
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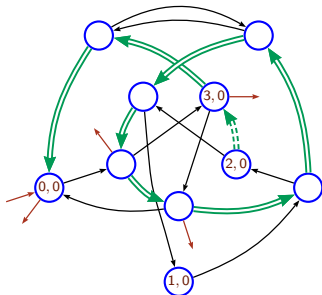
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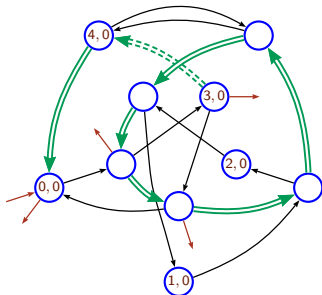
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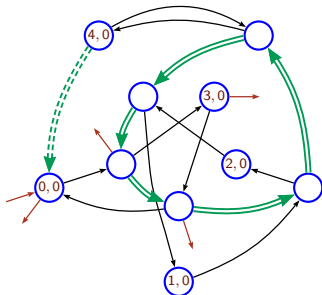
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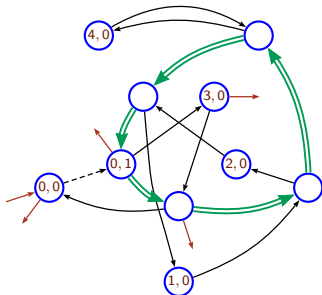
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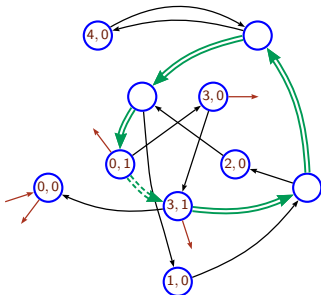
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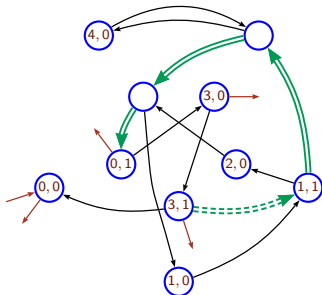
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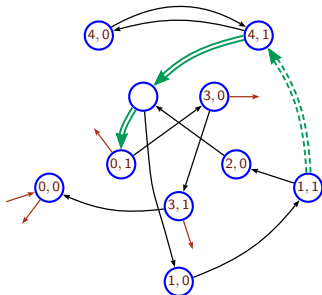
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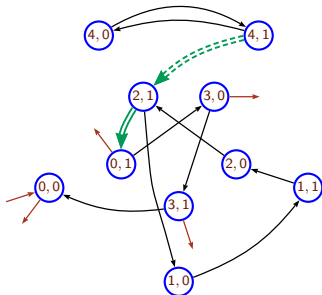
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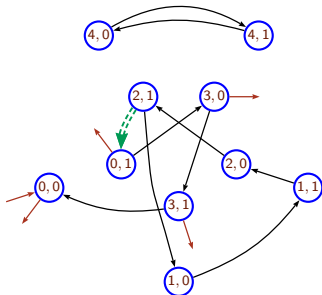
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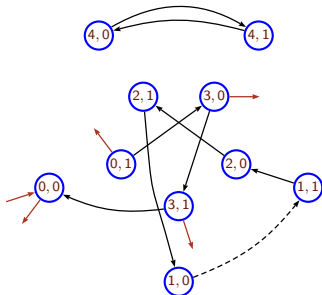
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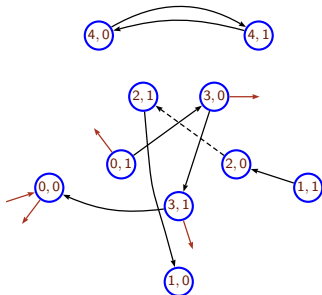
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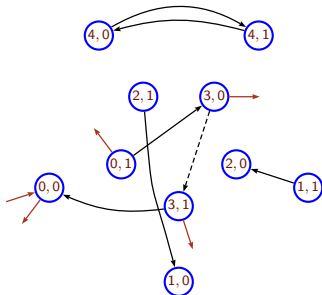
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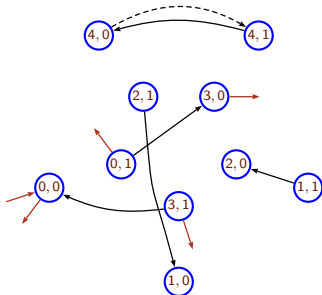
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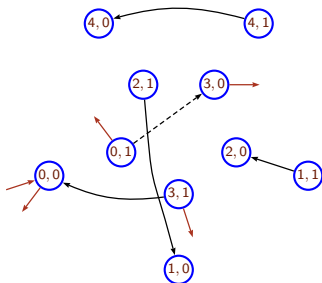
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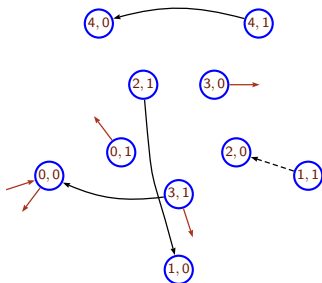
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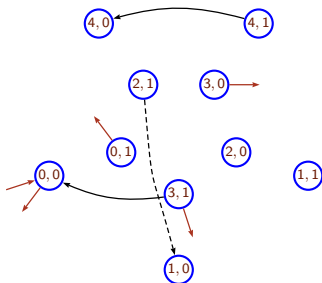
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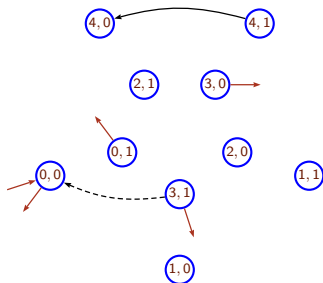
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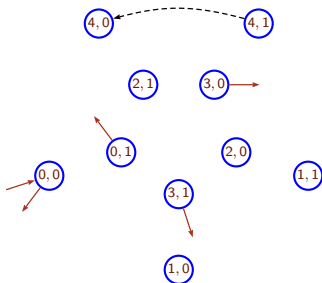
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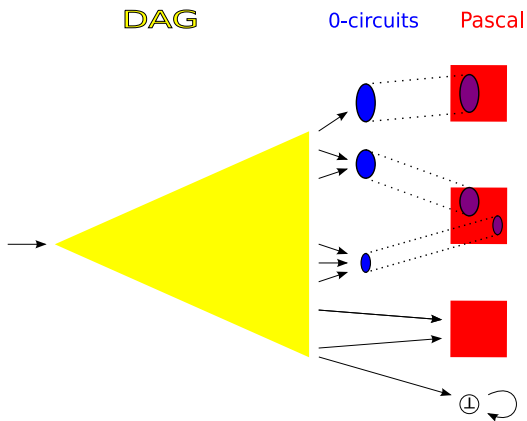
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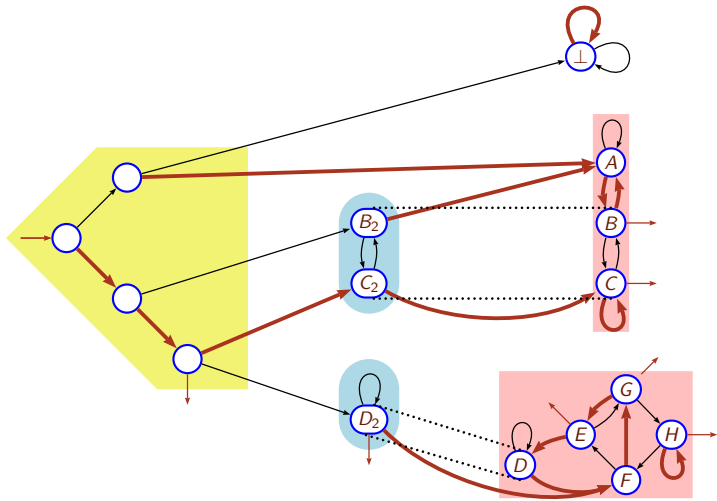
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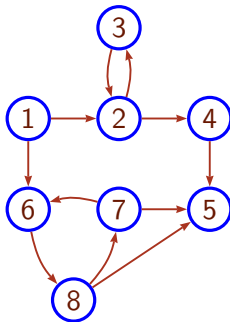
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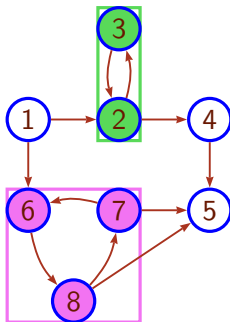
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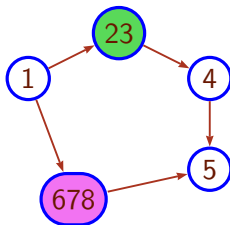
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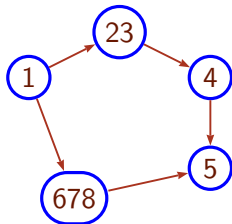
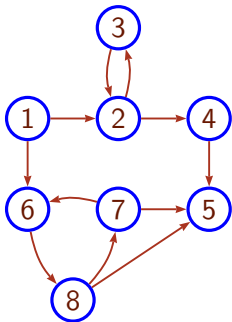
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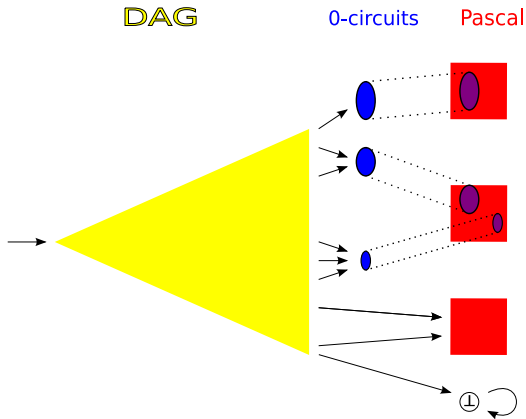






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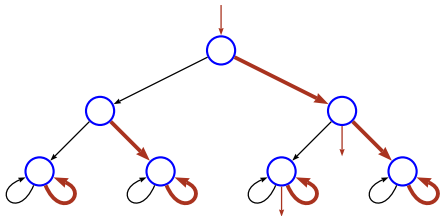
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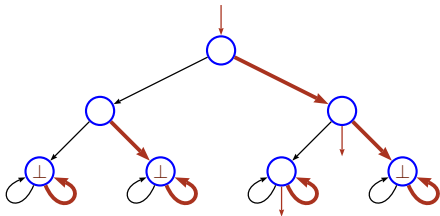
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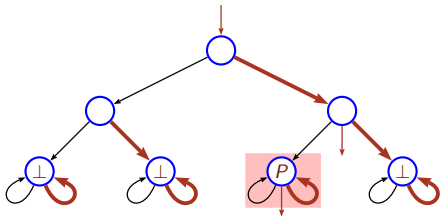
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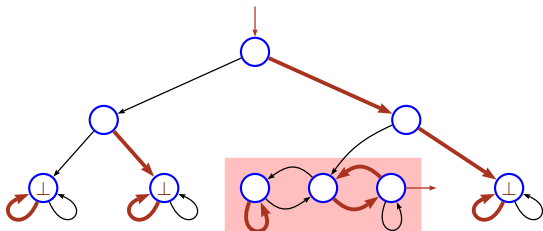


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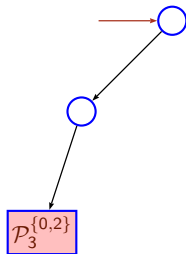
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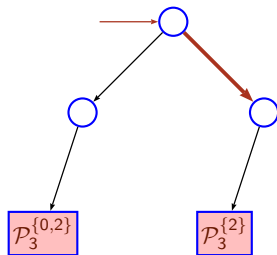
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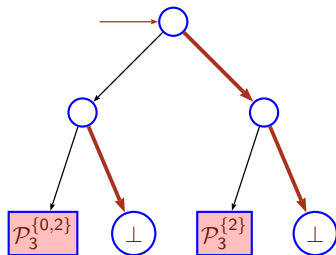
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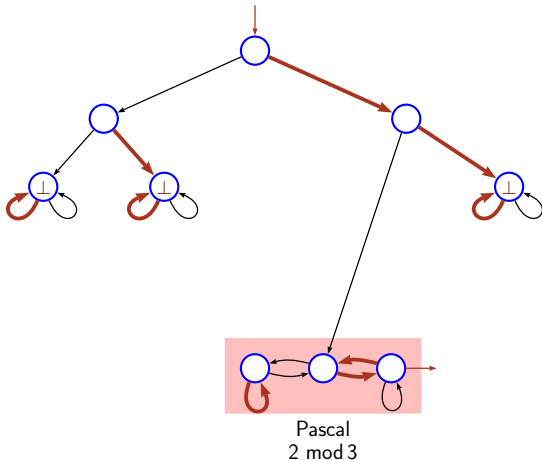
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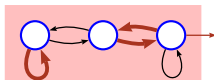
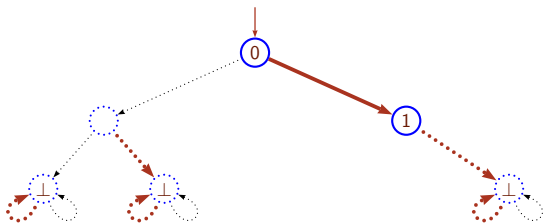
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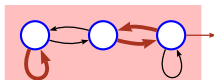
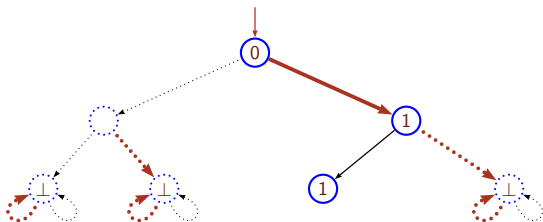
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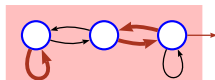
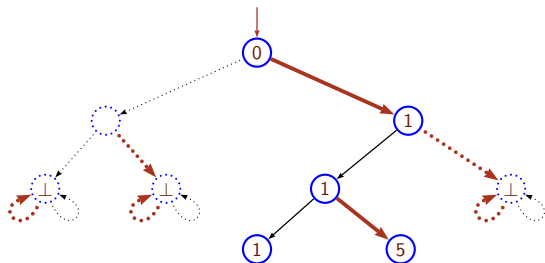


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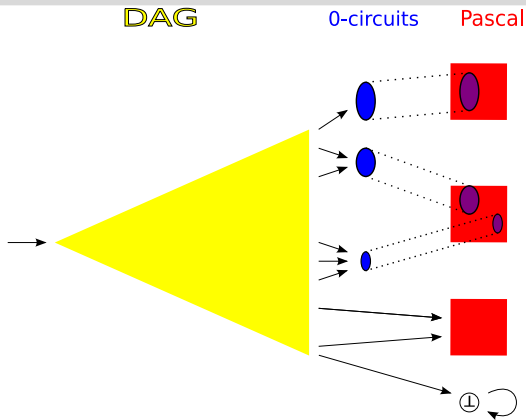
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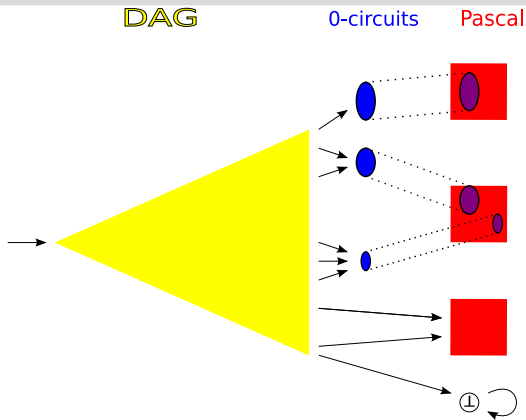


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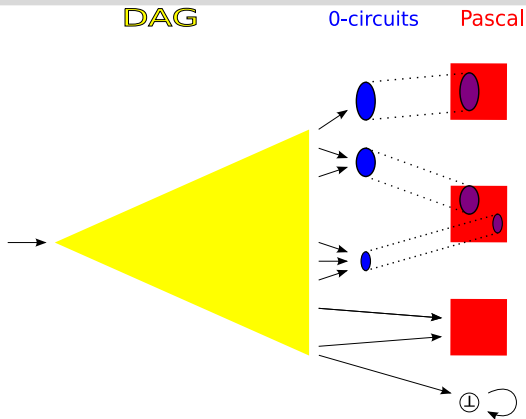
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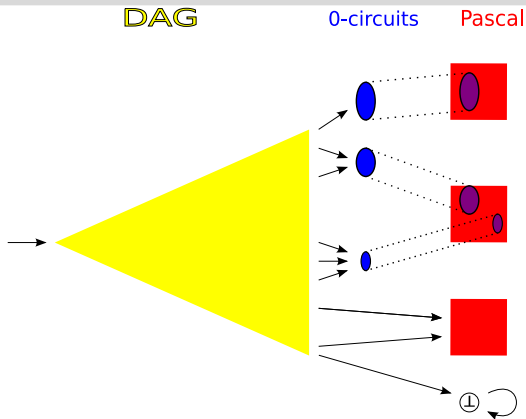
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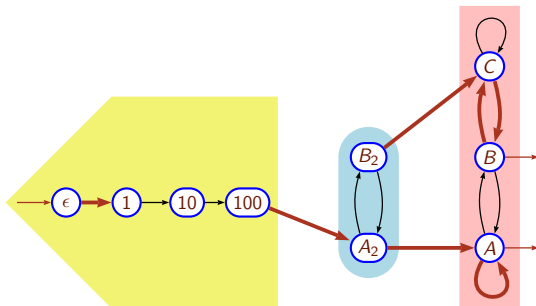
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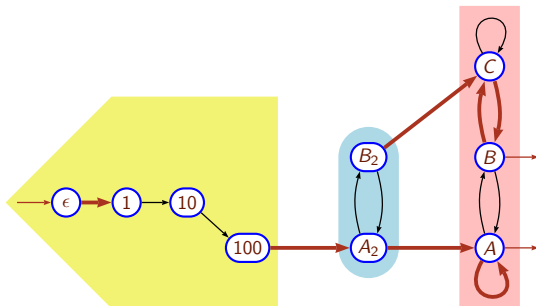
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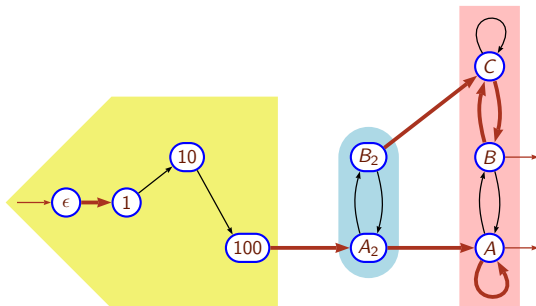
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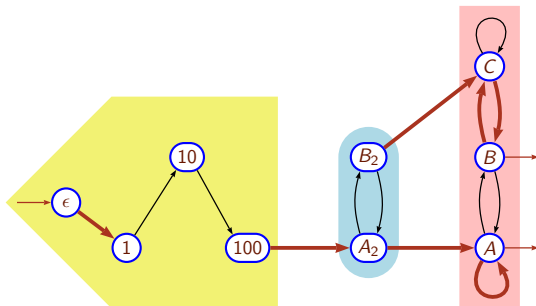
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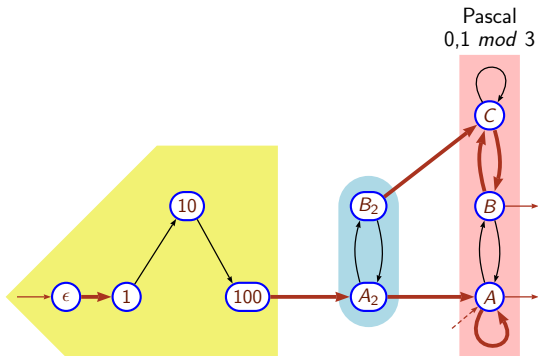
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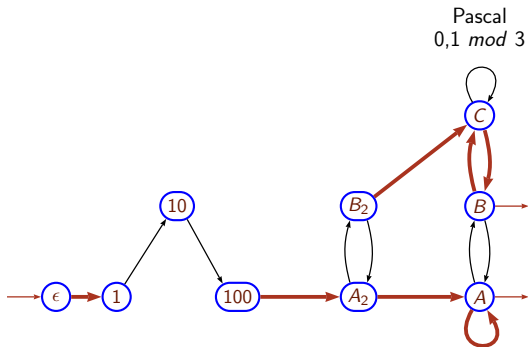
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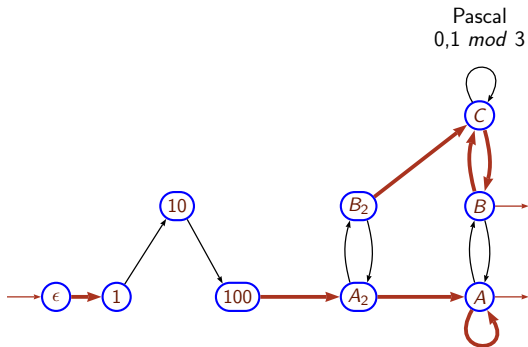
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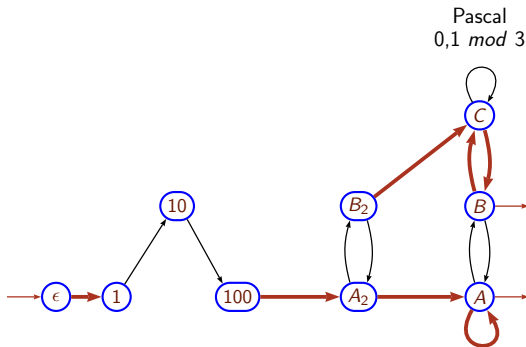
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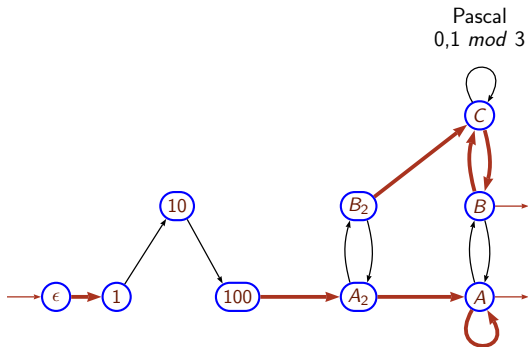


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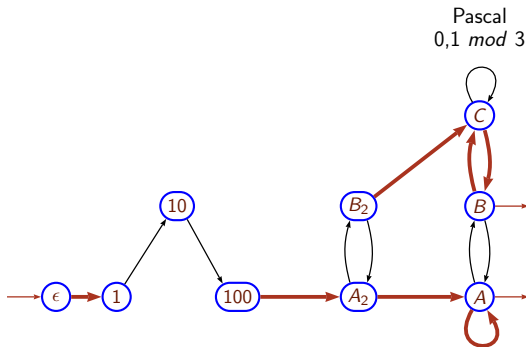
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