

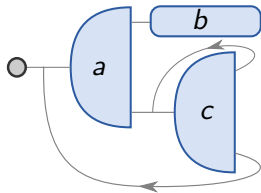
Tree Algebras and Bisimulation-Invariant MSO on Finite Graphs

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Transitions systems



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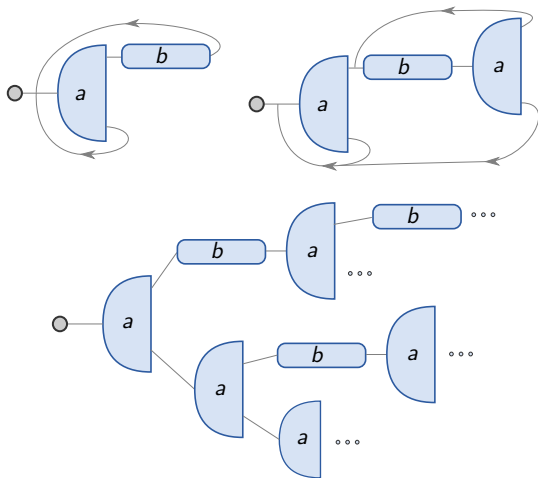
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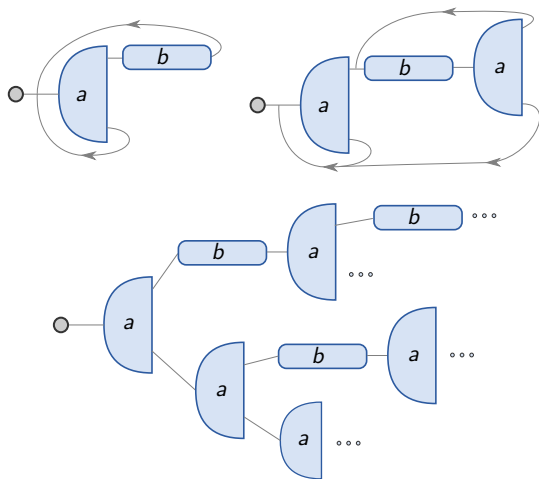
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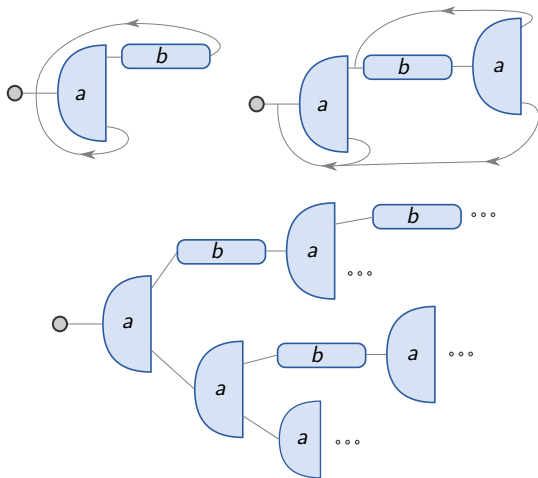


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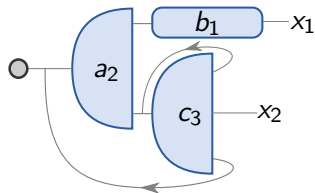
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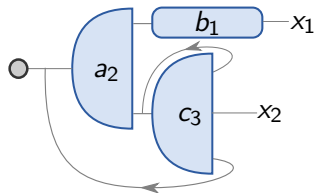
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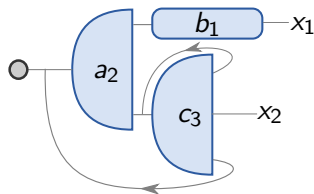
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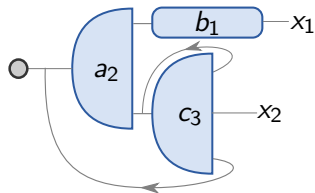


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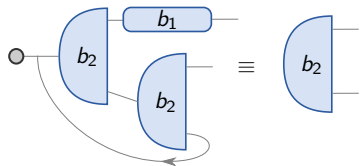
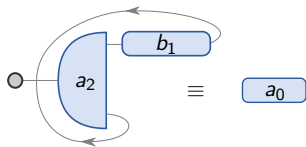
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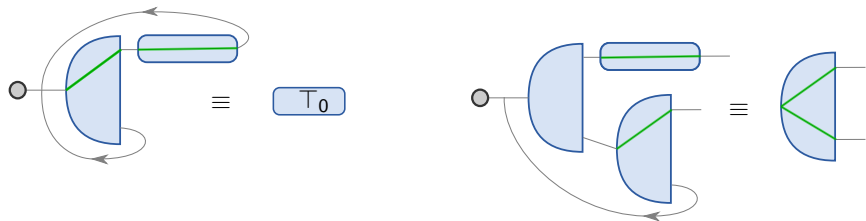


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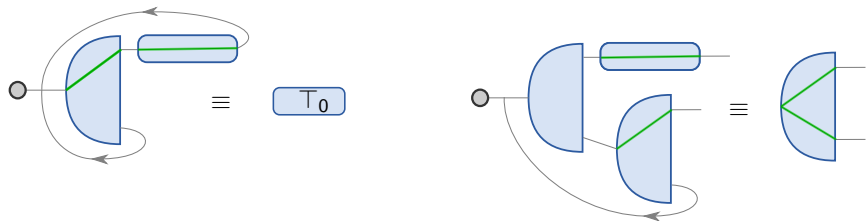
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Intuition: Enough for regularity.

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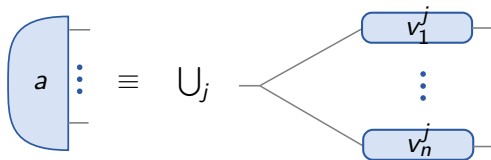
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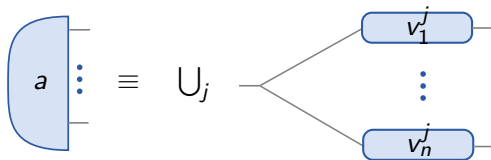
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