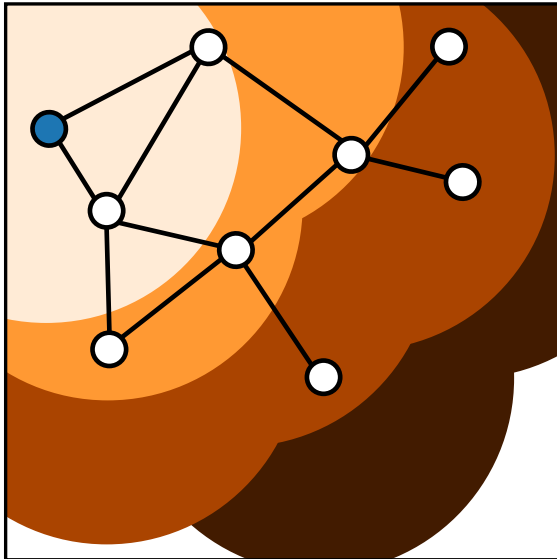


# Discrete Event Systems

## Verification of Finite Automata (Part 2)



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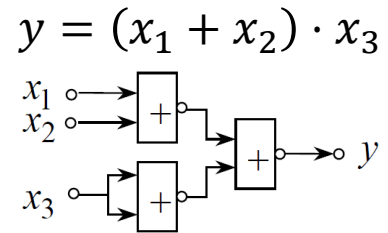
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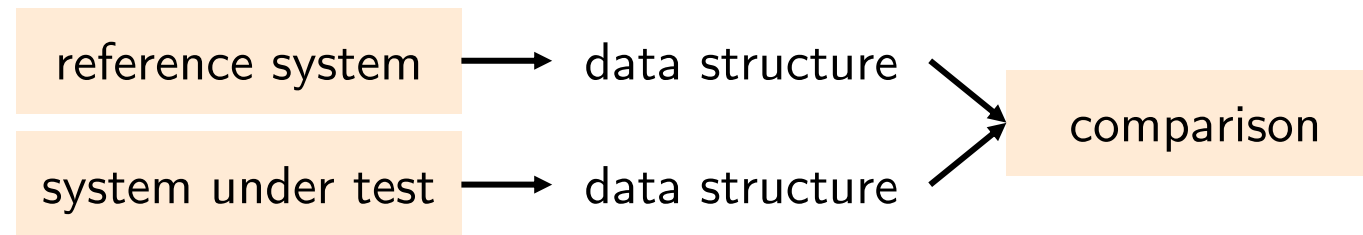
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# Verification Scenarios

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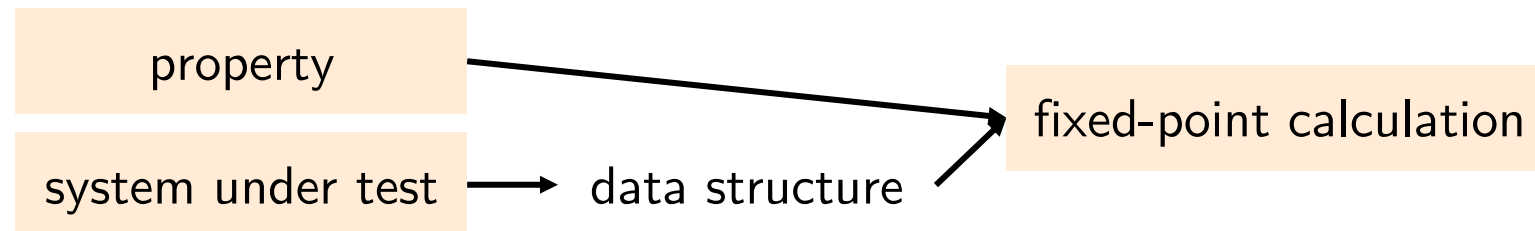


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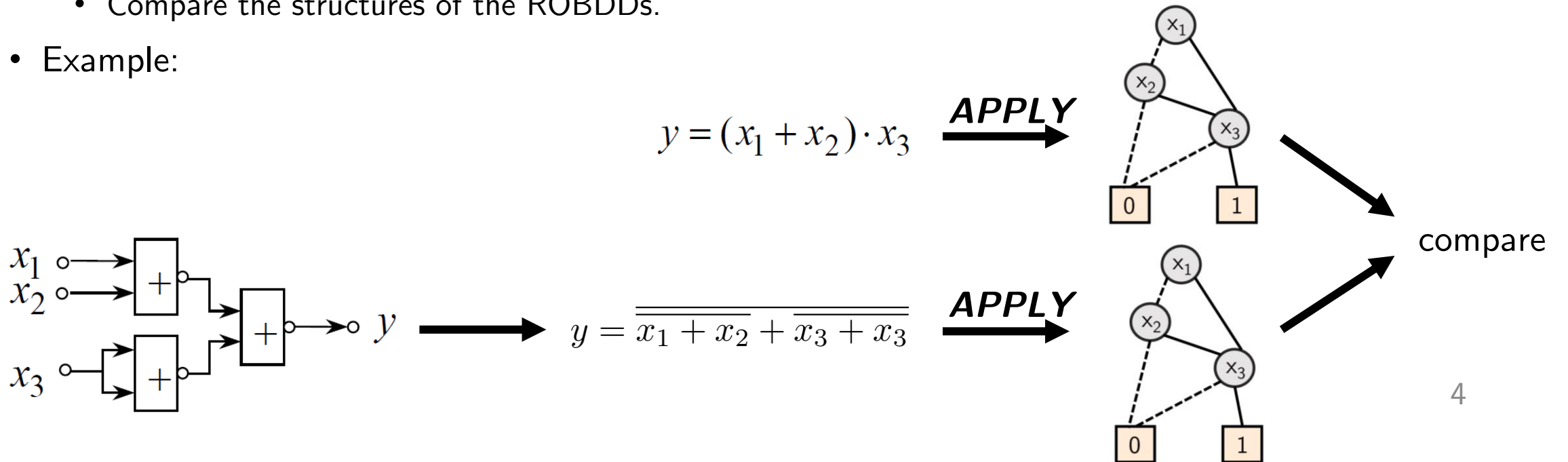
## Proving properties

“The device can always be switched off.”



# Comparison using BDDs

- Boolean (combinatorial) circuits: Compare specification and implementation, or compare two implementations.
- Method:
  - Representation of the two systems in ROBDDs, e.g., by applying the **APPLY** operator repeatedly.
  - Compare the structures of the ROBDDs.
- Example:



# Sets and Relations

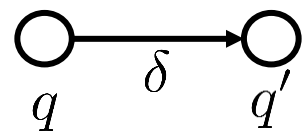
- Representation of a subset  $A \subseteq E$ :
  - Binary encoding  $\sigma(e)$  of all elements  $e \in E$
  - Subset  $A$  is represented by  $a \in A \Leftrightarrow \psi_A(\sigma(a))$

characteristic function  
of subset  $A$



- Relation function: describe state transitions

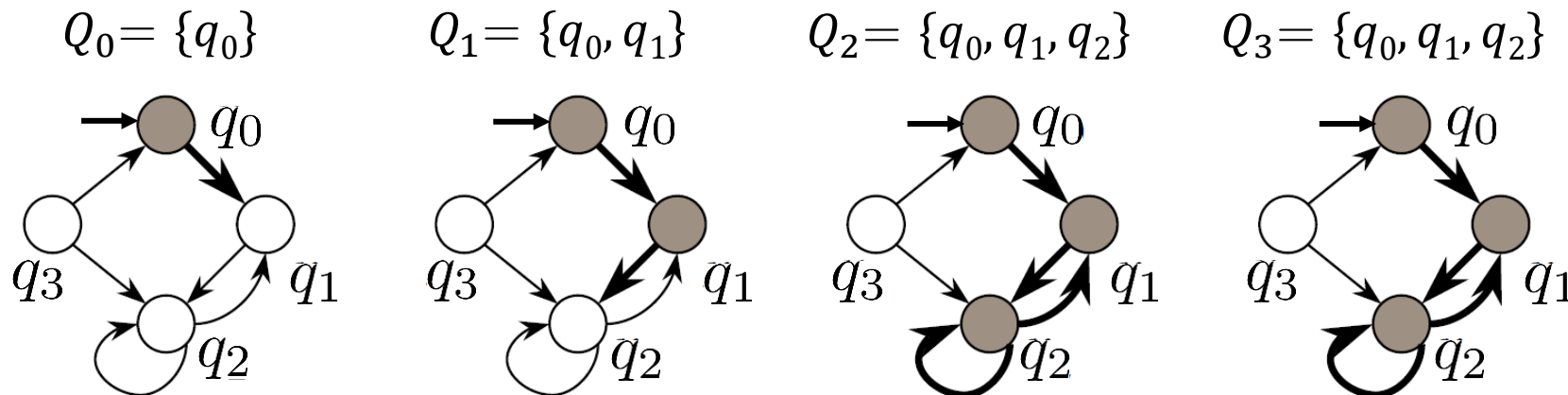
$$\psi_\delta(\sigma(q), \sigma(q')) = \psi_\delta(q, q')$$



$\sigma(e_1) = (0, 1, 0)$   
 $\sigma(e_2) = (0, 0, 0)$   
 $\psi_A(\sigma(e_1)) = 0$   
 $\psi_A(\sigma(e_2)) = 1$

# Reachability of States

- Problem: Is a state  $q \in Q$  reachable by a sequence of state transitions?
- Method:
  - Represent set of states and the transformation relation as ROBDDs.
  - Use these representations to transform from one set of states to another. Set  $Q_i$  corresponds to the set of states reachable after  $i$  transitions.
  - Iterate the transformation until a fixed-point is reached, i.e., until the set of states does not change anymore (steady-state).
- Example:



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Efficient state representation

- Set of states as Boolean function
- Binary Decision Diagram representation

Computing reachability

- Leverage efficient state representation
- Explore successor sets of states

Today

Proving properties

- Temporal logic (CTL)
- Encoding as reachability problem



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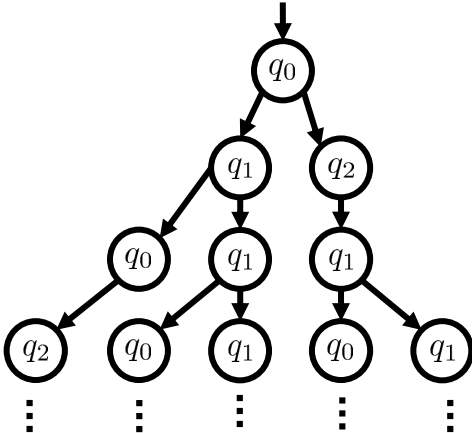
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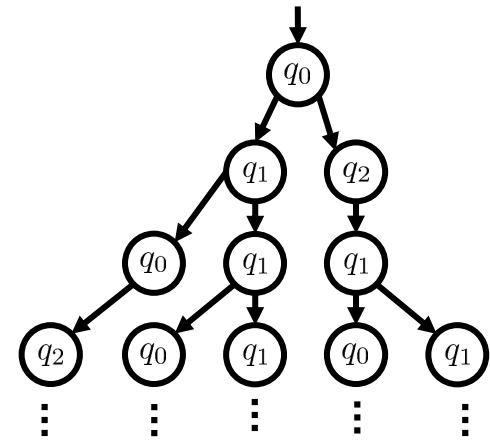
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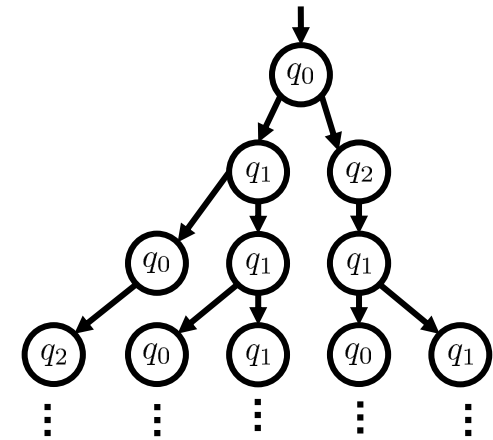


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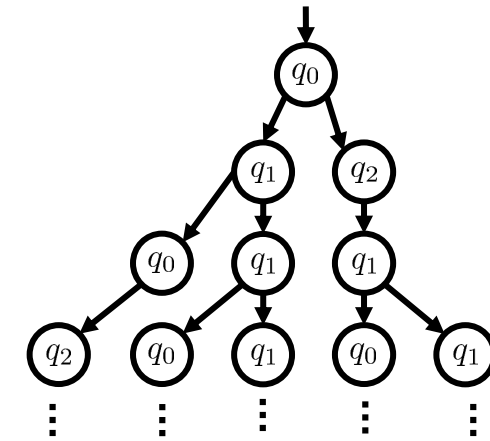
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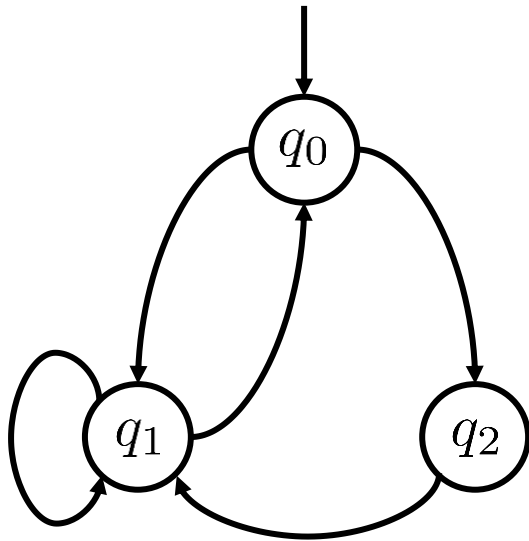
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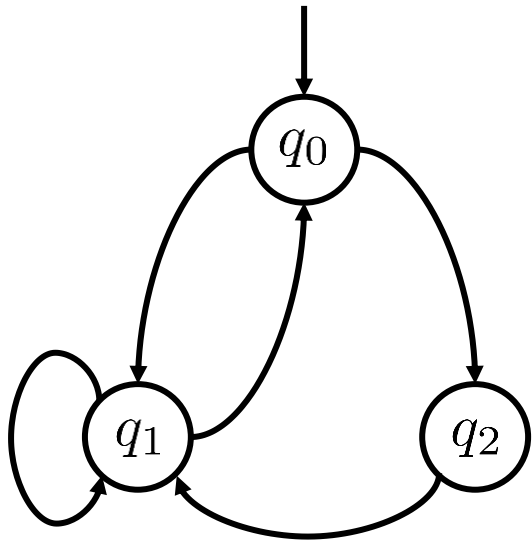
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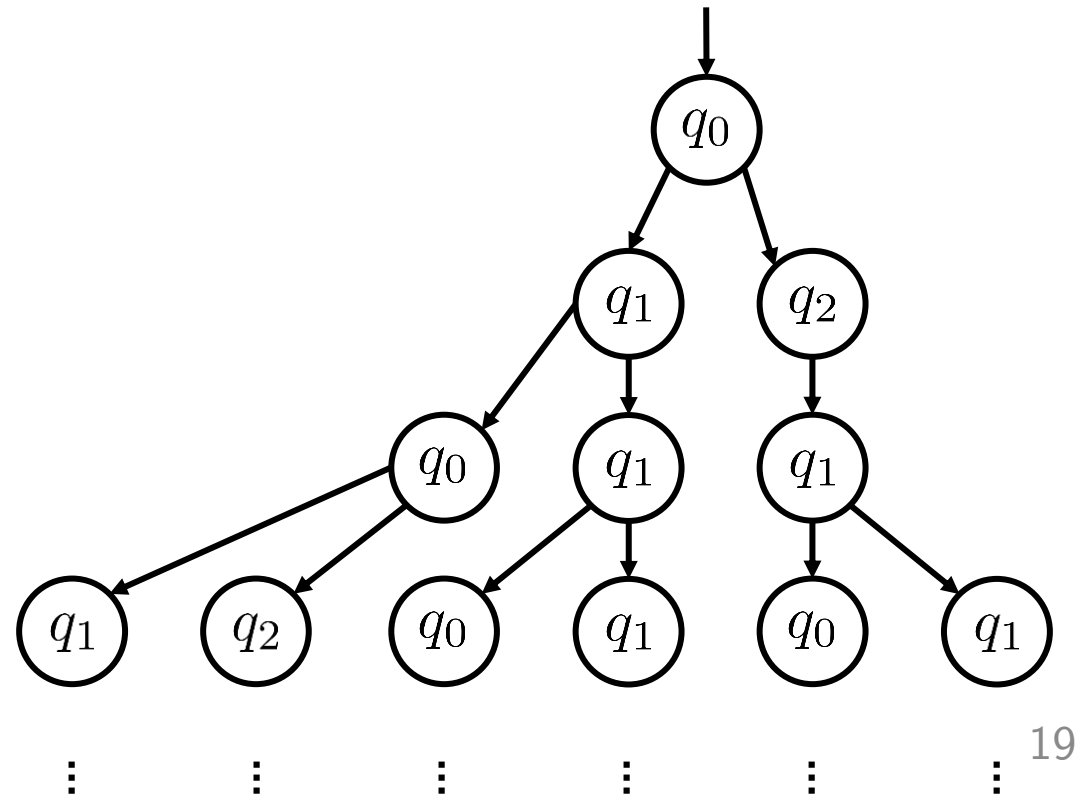
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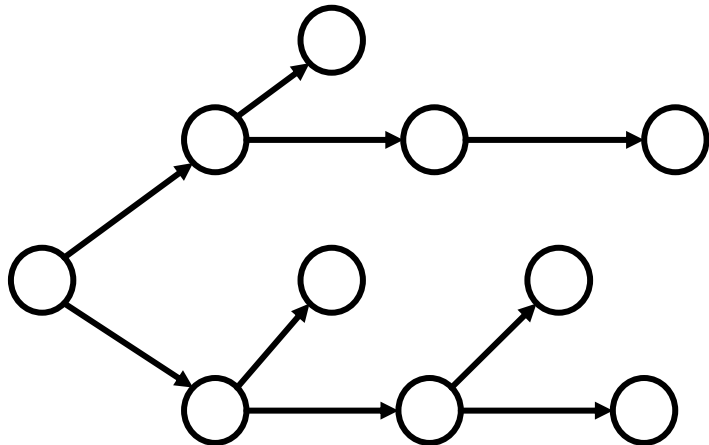
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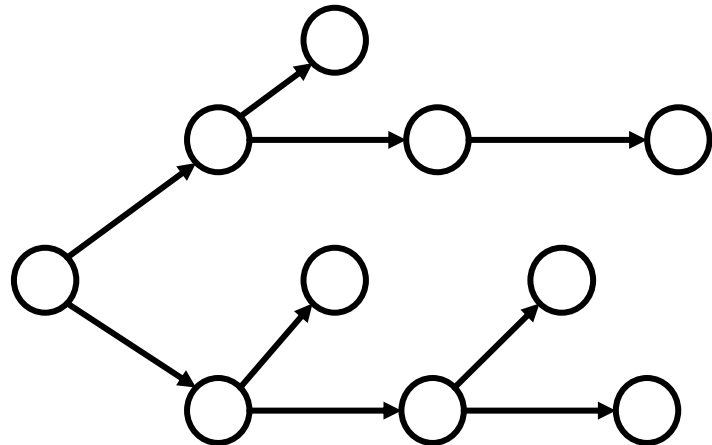


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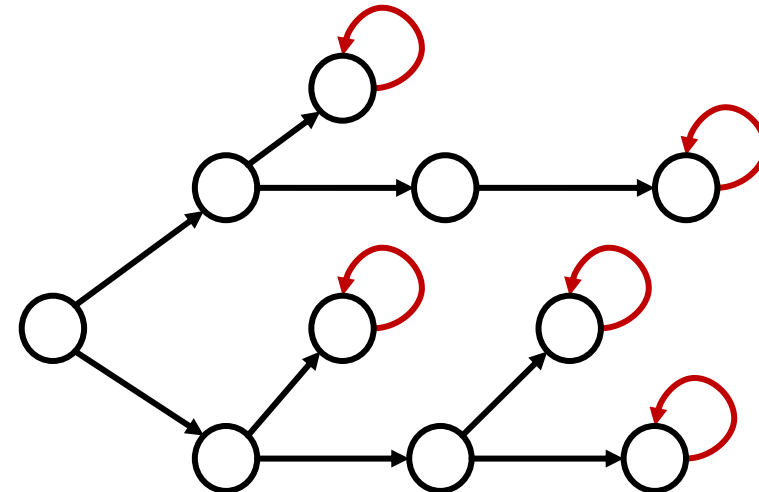
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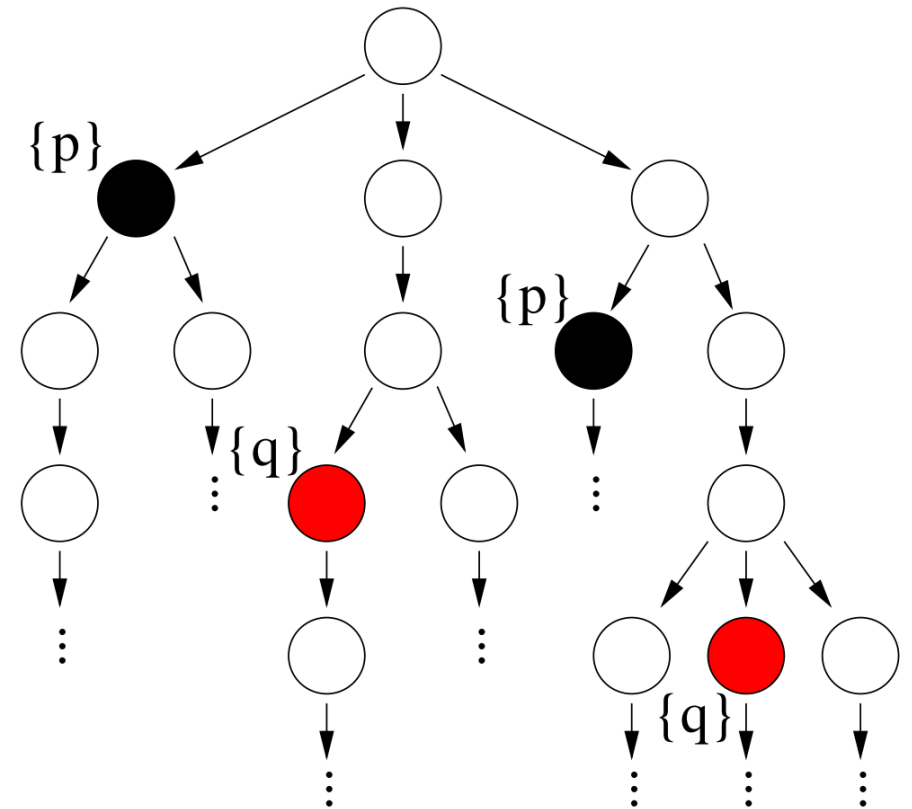


Each state has at least one successor (can be itself)

# Visualizing CTL formula

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ All $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ NeXt $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ Exists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ Finally $\phi$
	$G\phi \rightarrow$ Globally $\phi$
	$\phi_1 U \phi_2 \rightarrow \phi_1$ Until $\phi_2$

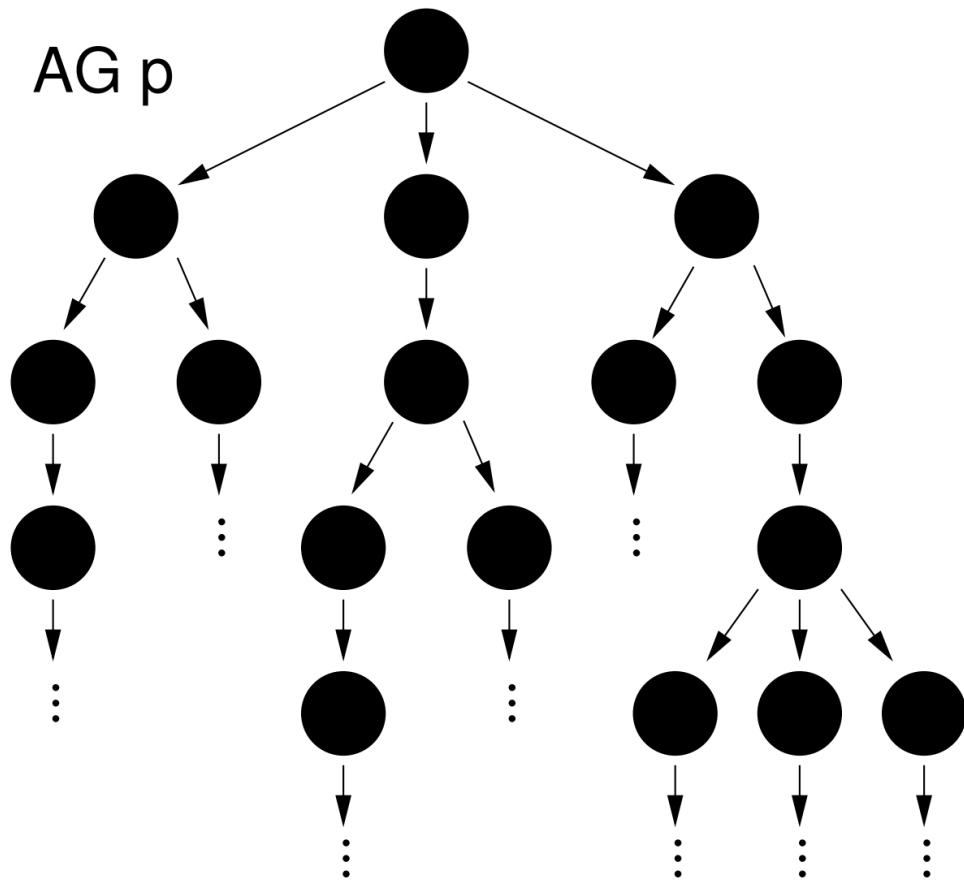
- We use this computation tree as a running example.
- We suppose that the black and red states satisfy atomic properties  $p$  and  $q$ , respectively.
- The topmost state is the initial state; in the examples, it always satisfies the given formula.



$$M \text{ satisfies } \phi \iff q_0 \models \phi \text{ where } q_0 \text{ is the initial state of } M$$

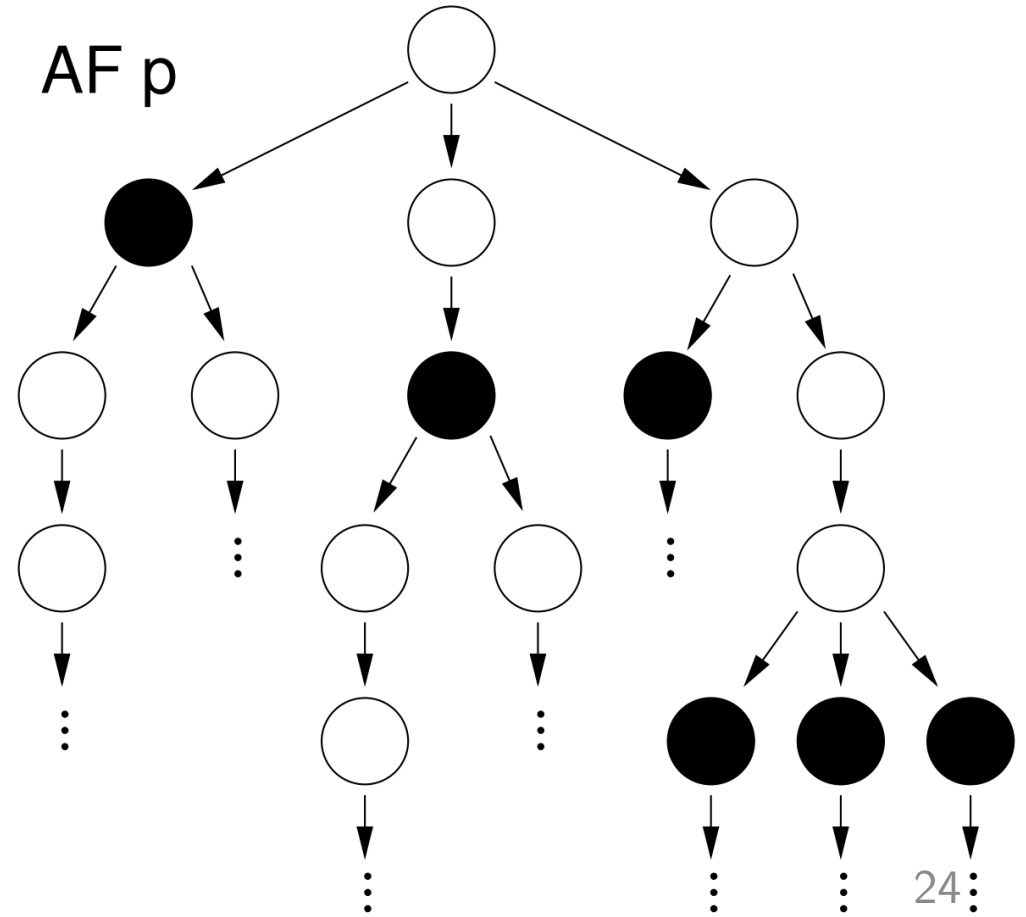
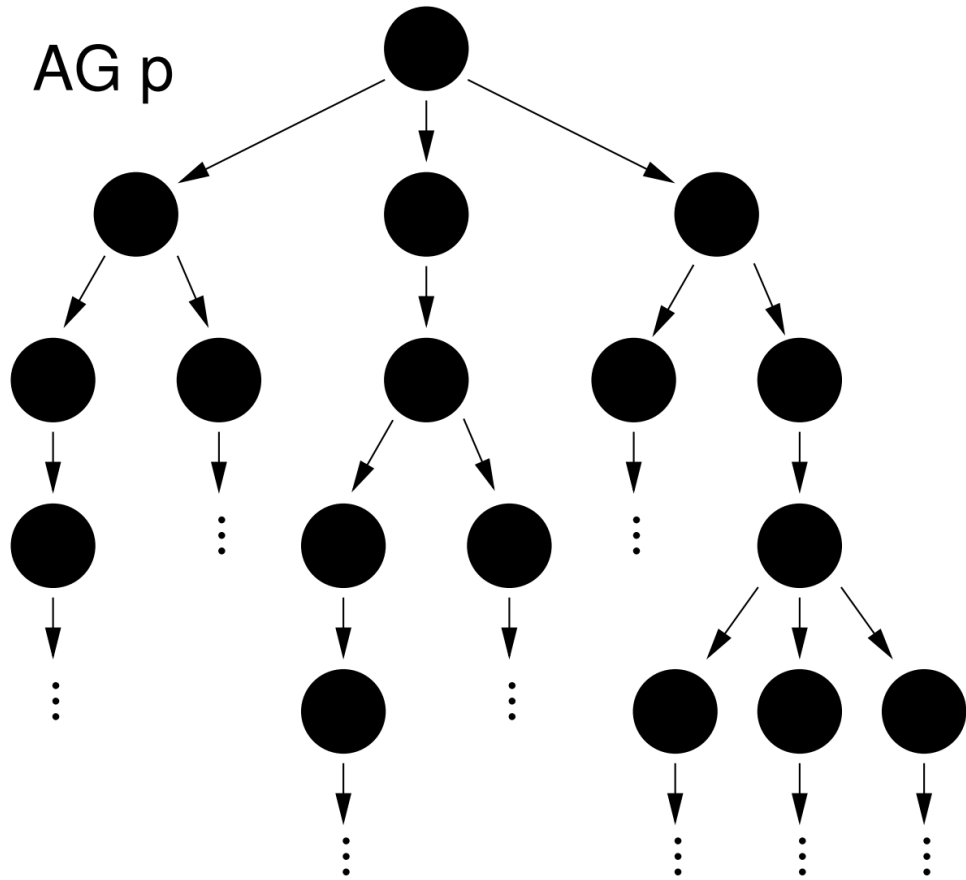
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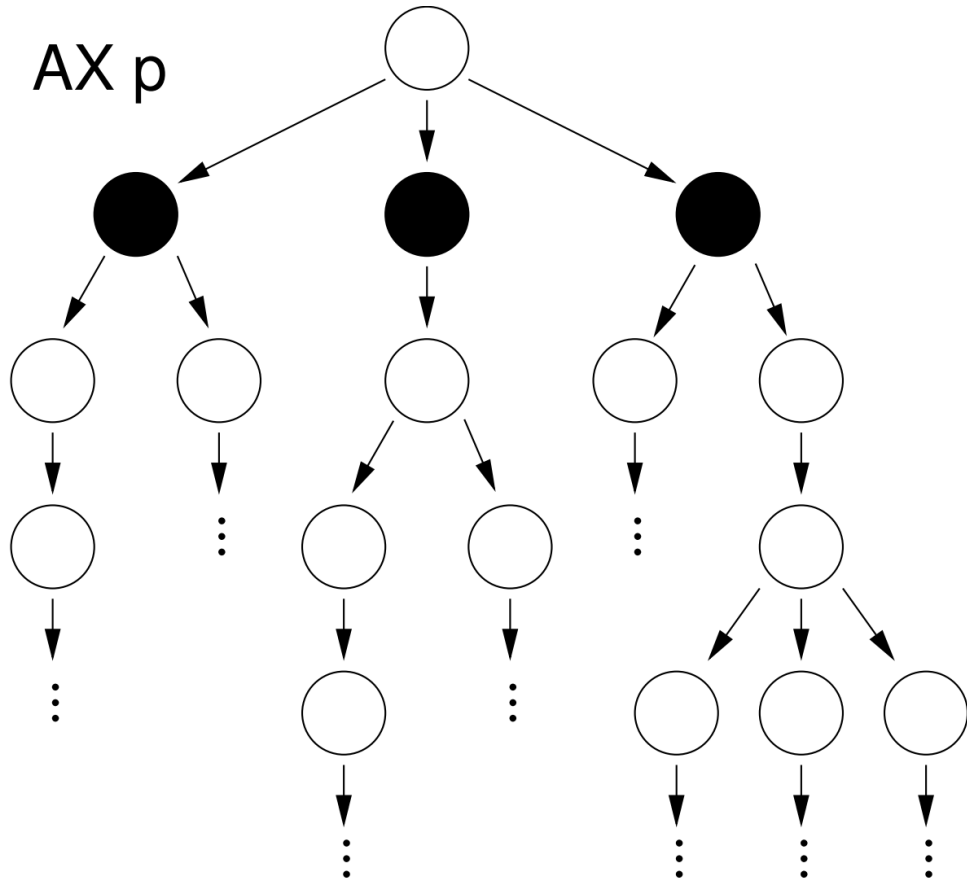
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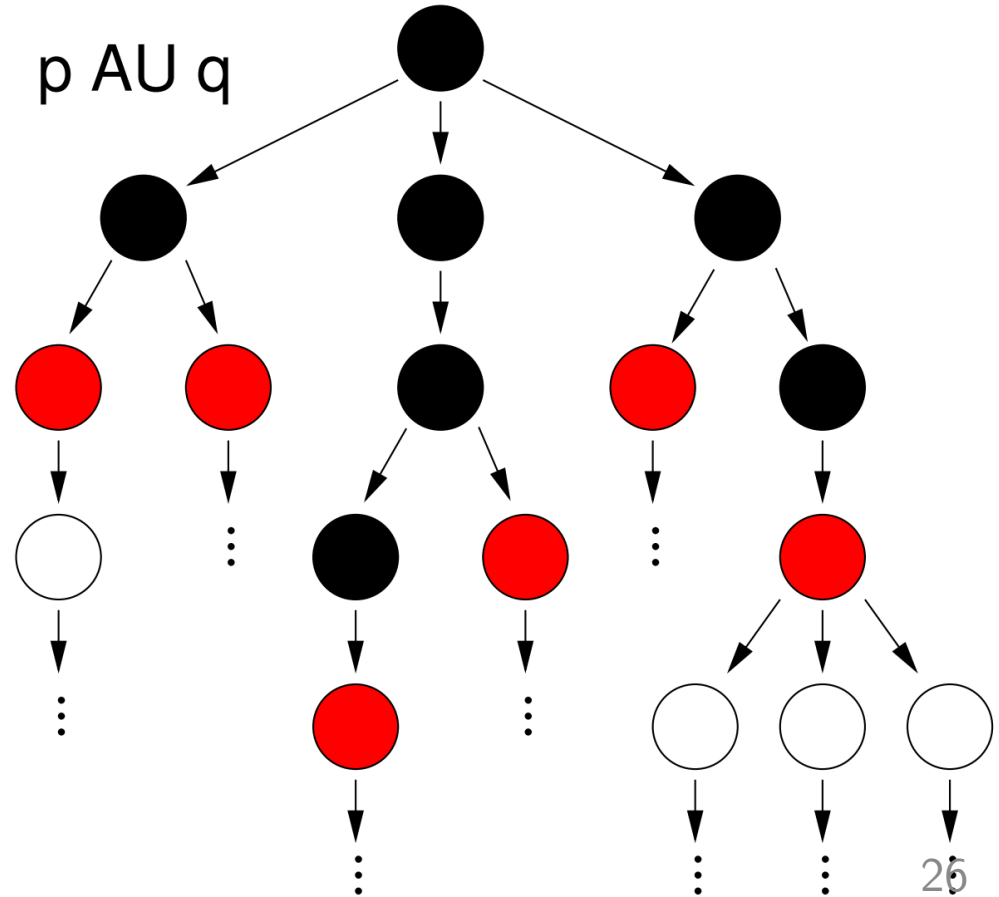
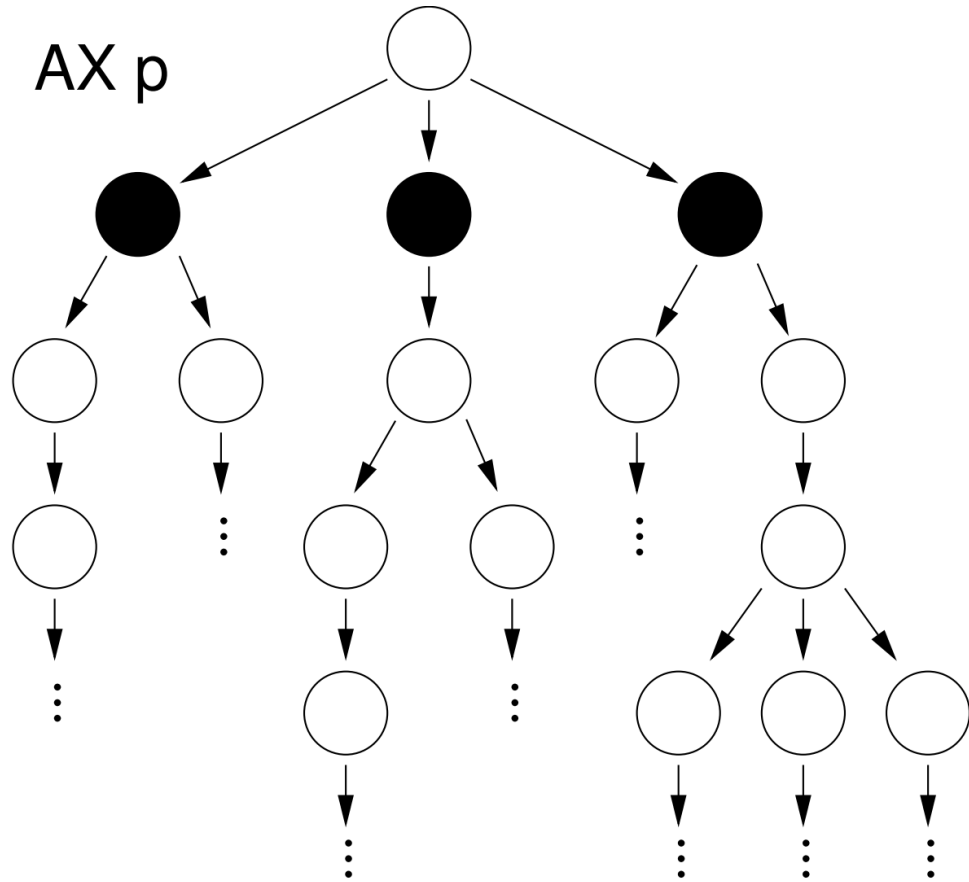
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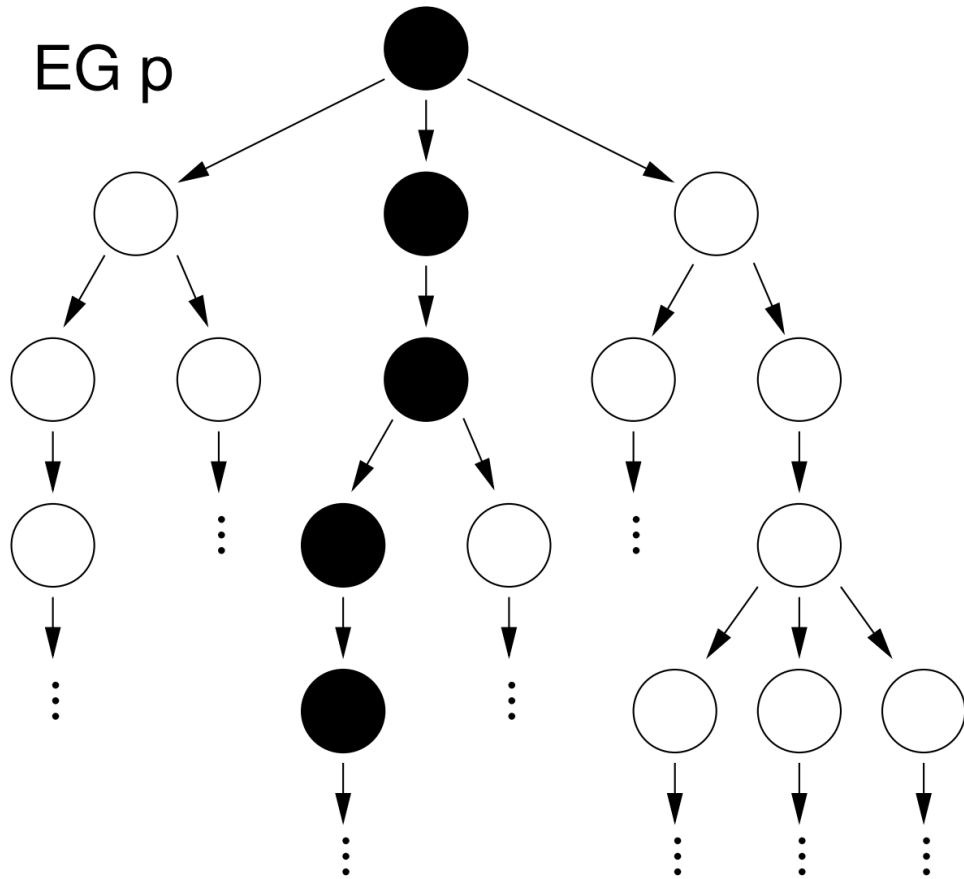
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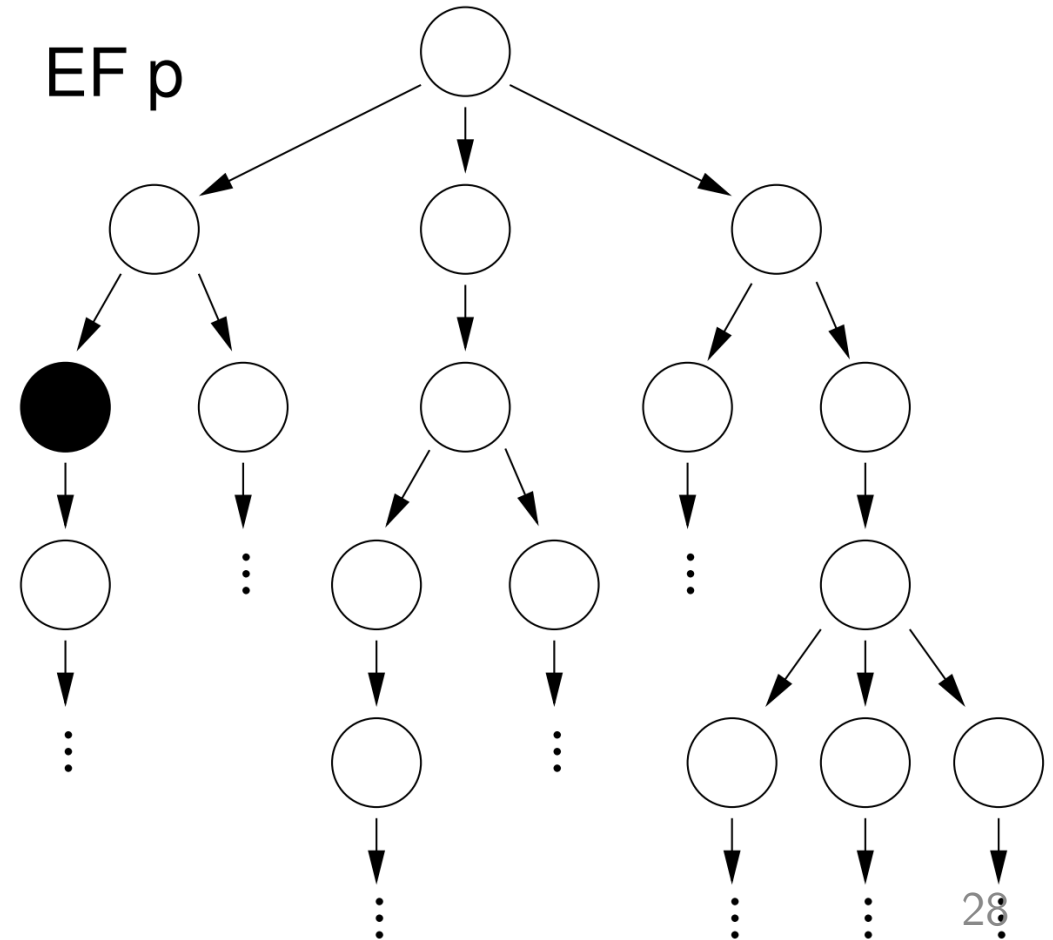
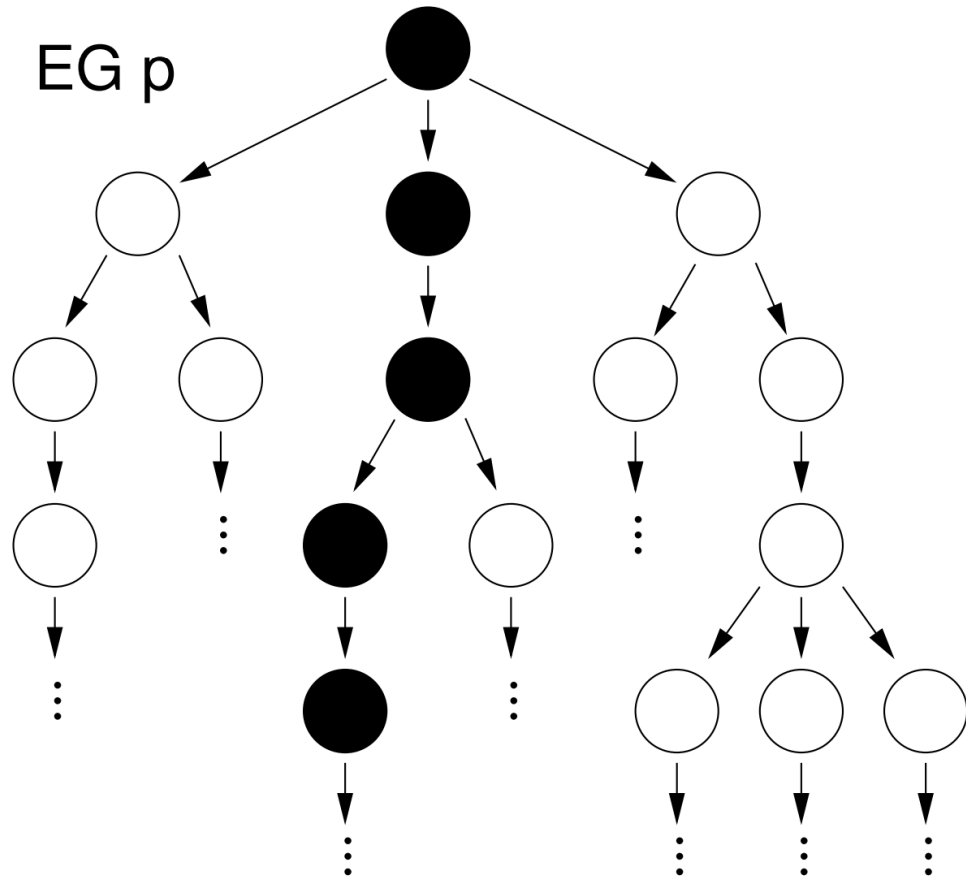
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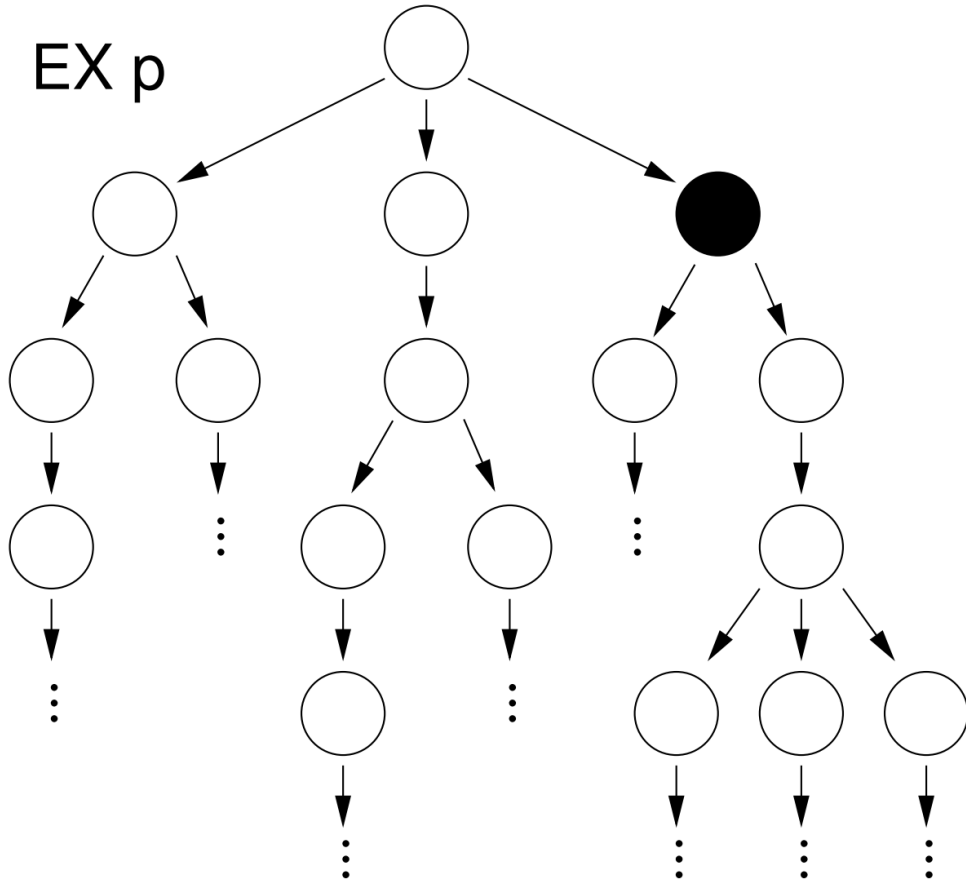
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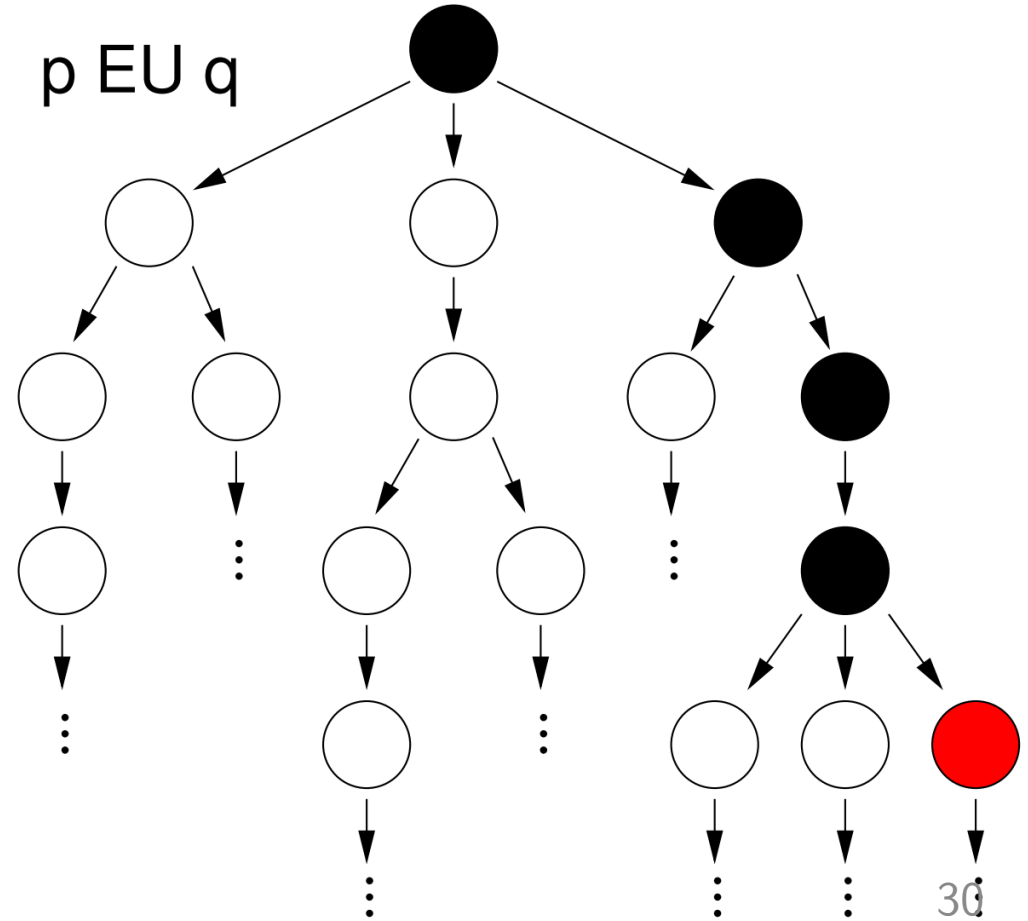
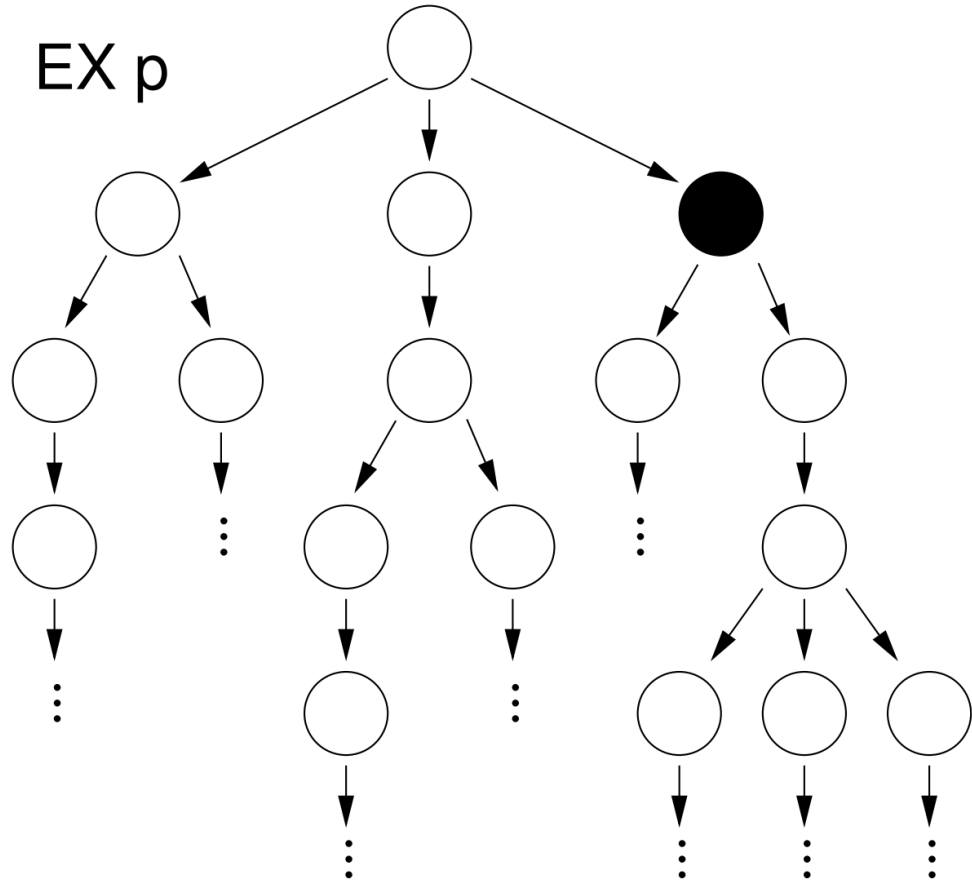
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Can be more than one pair

$$AG \phi_1 \text{ where } \phi_1 = EF \phi_2 \equiv AG EF \phi_2$$

A and F are convenient, but not necessary

E,G,X,U are sufficient to define the whole logic.

$$AF\phi \equiv \neg EG(\neg\phi)$$

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$$AX\phi \equiv \neg EX(\neg\phi)$$

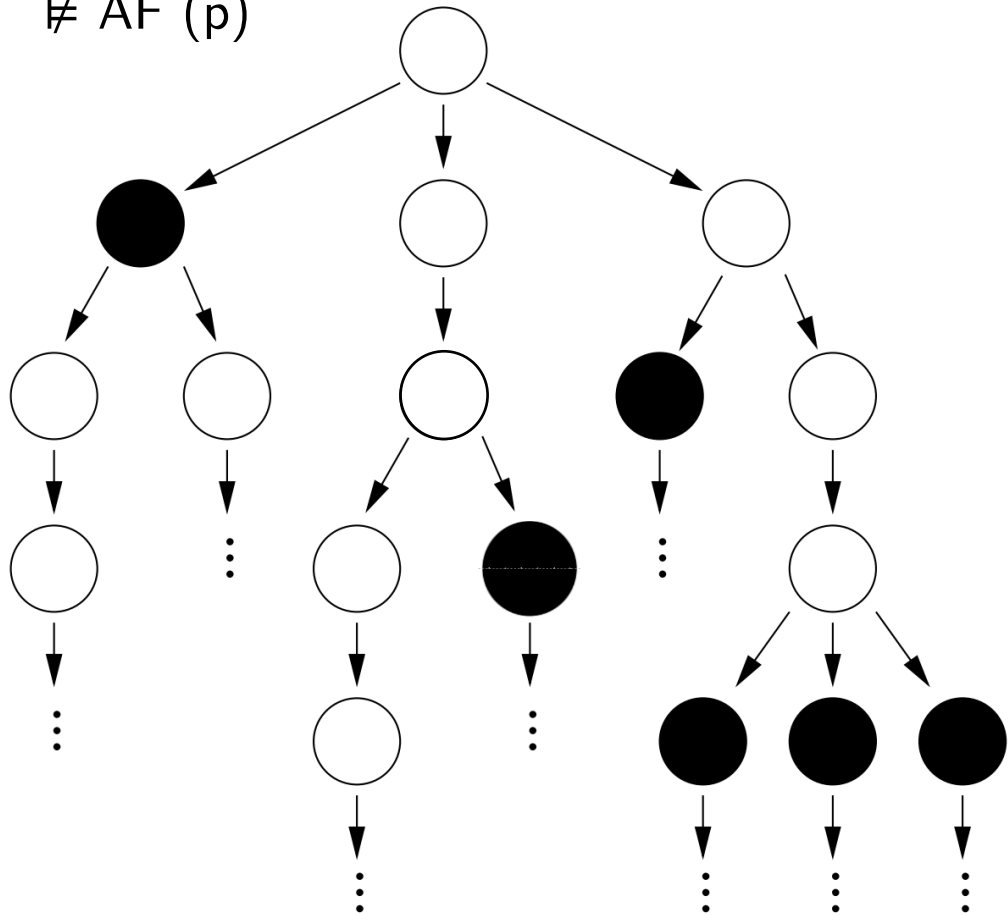
$$EF\phi \equiv \text{true } EU\phi$$

No need to know that one  $\triangleright \phi_1 AU \phi_2 \equiv \neg([\neg\phi_1]EU\neg(\phi_1 + \phi_2)] + EG(\neg\phi_2))$

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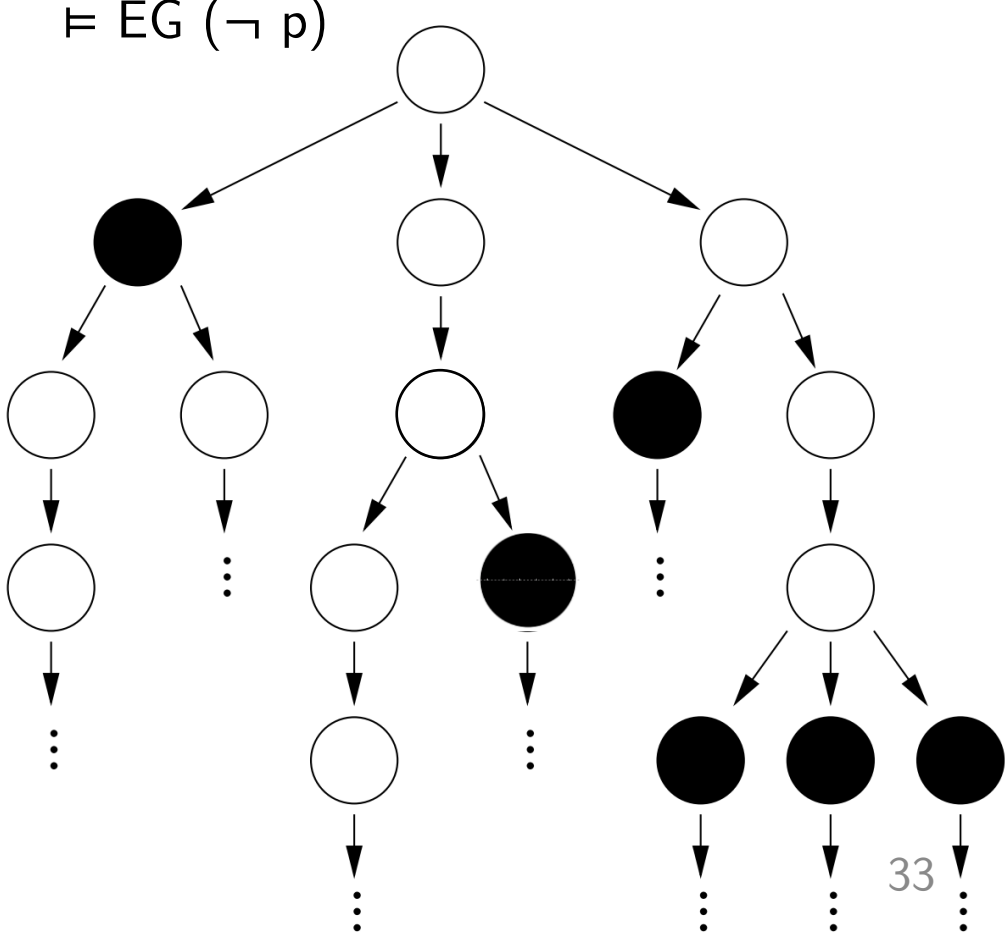
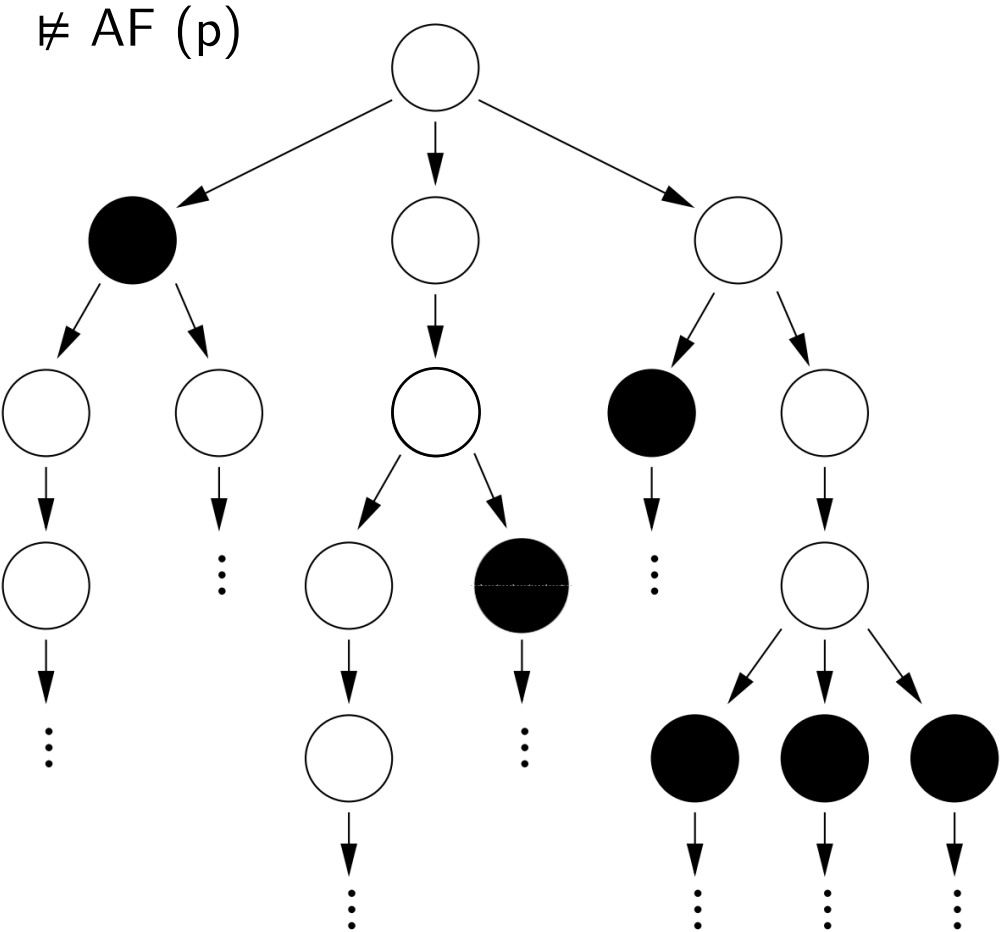
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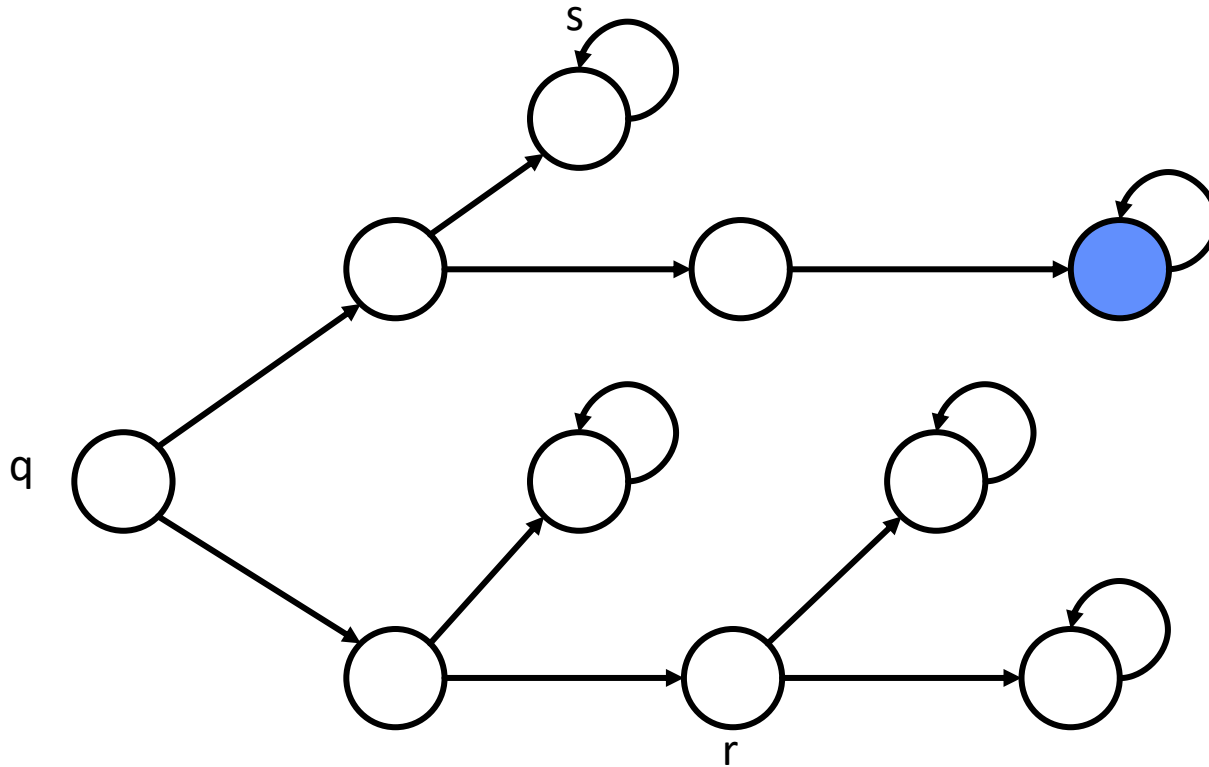
Encoding	Proposition
p	I like chocolate
q	It's warm outside

- AG p
- EF p
- AF EG p
- EG AF p
  
- p AU q

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow \mathbf{A}ll \phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow \mathbf{NeX}t \phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow \mathbf{E}xists \phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow \mathbf{F}inally \phi$
	$G\phi \rightarrow \mathbf{G}lobally \phi$
	$\phi_1 U \phi_2 \rightarrow \phi_1 \mathbf{U}ntil \phi_2$

**EF**  $\phi$  : “There exists a path along which at some state  $\phi$  holds.”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ <b>A</b> ll $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ Ne <b>X</b> t $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ <b>E</b> xists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ <b>F</b> inally $\phi$
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**●**  $\models \phi$

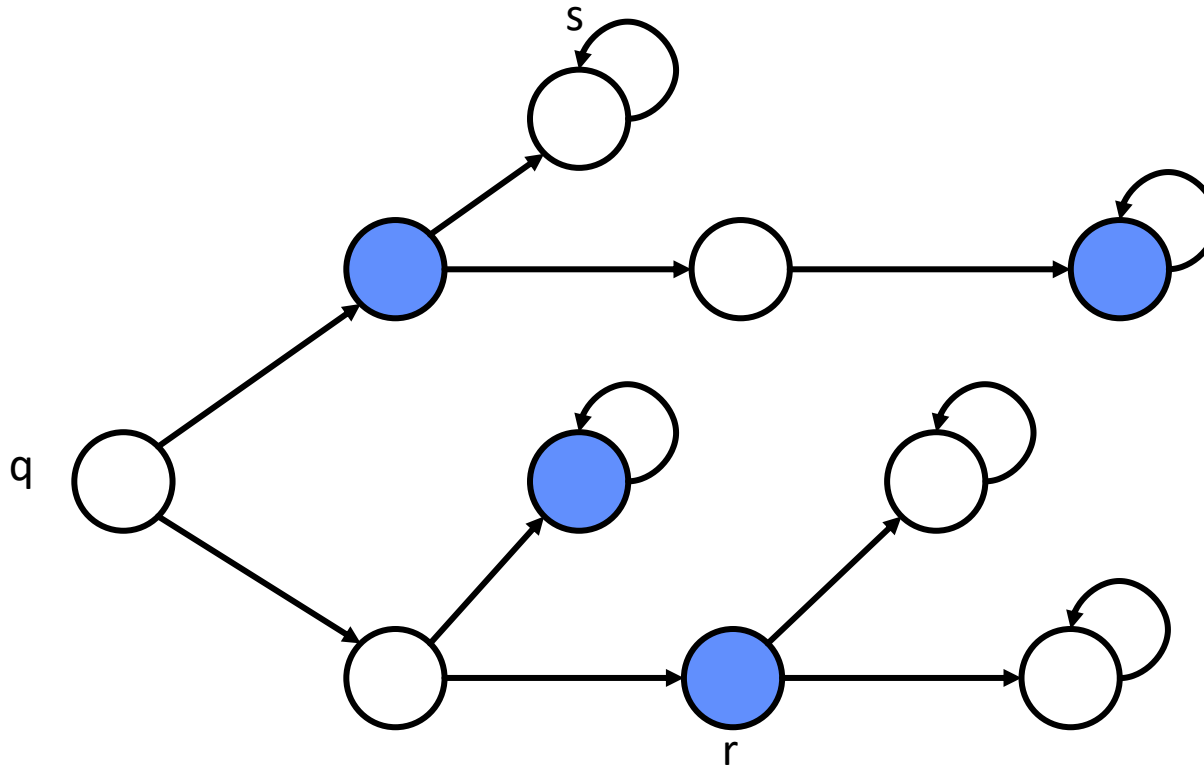
$q \models EF \phi$

$r \models ?$

$s \models ?$

**AF**  $\phi$  : “On all paths,  
at some state  $\phi$  holds .”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ <b>A</b> ll $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ Ne <b>X</b> t $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ <b>E</b> xists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ <b>F</b> inally $\phi$
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$\bullet \models \phi$

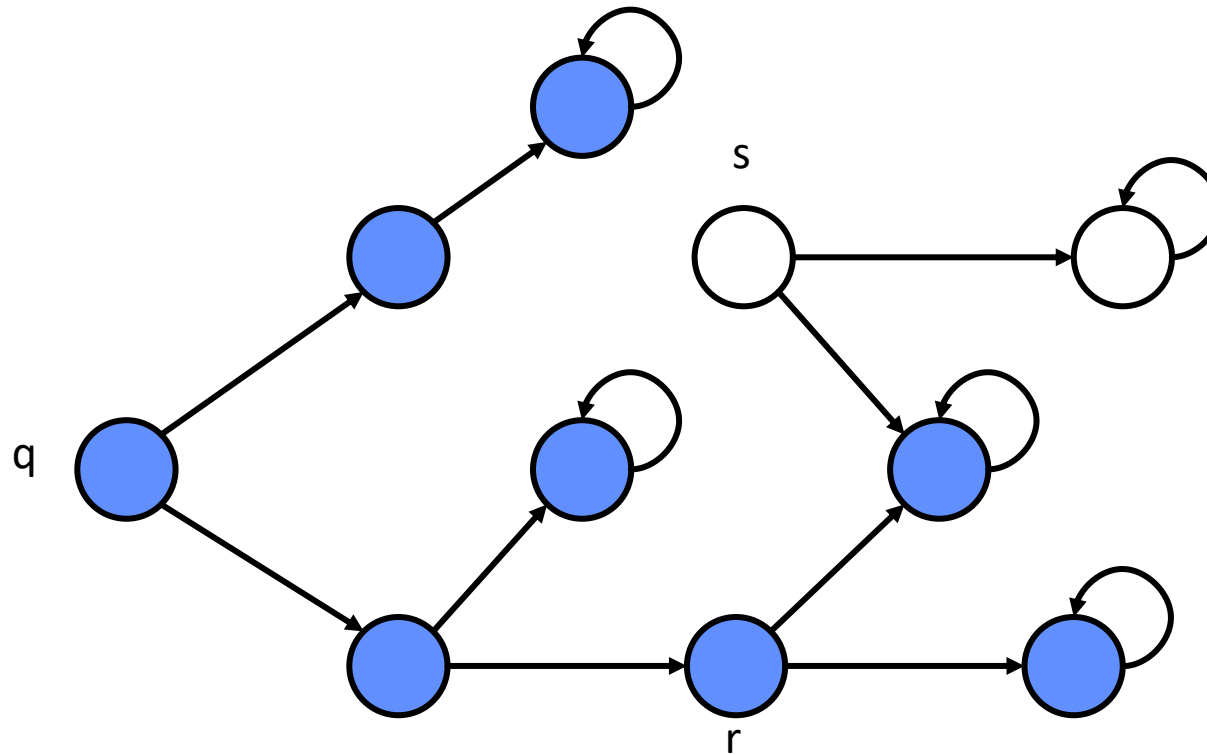
$q \models AF \phi$

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$s \models ?$

**AG**  $\phi$  : “On all paths,  
for all states  $\phi$  holds.”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
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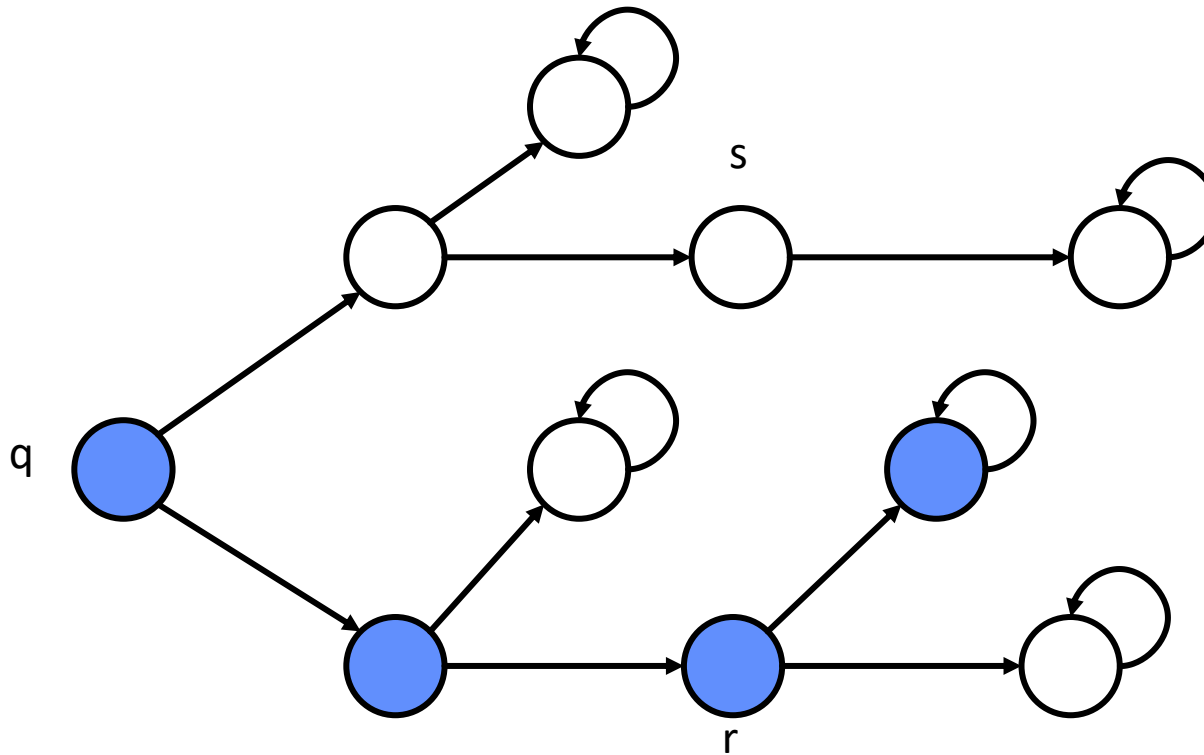
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**EG**  $\phi$  : “There exists a path along which for all states  $\phi$  holds.”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ <b>A</b> ll $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ Ne <b>X</b> t $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ <b>E</b> xists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ <b>F</b> inally $\phi$
	$G\phi \rightarrow$ <b>G</b> lobally $\phi$
	$\phi_1 \cup \phi_2 \rightarrow \phi_1$ <b>U</b> ntil $\phi_2$



**●**  $\models \phi$

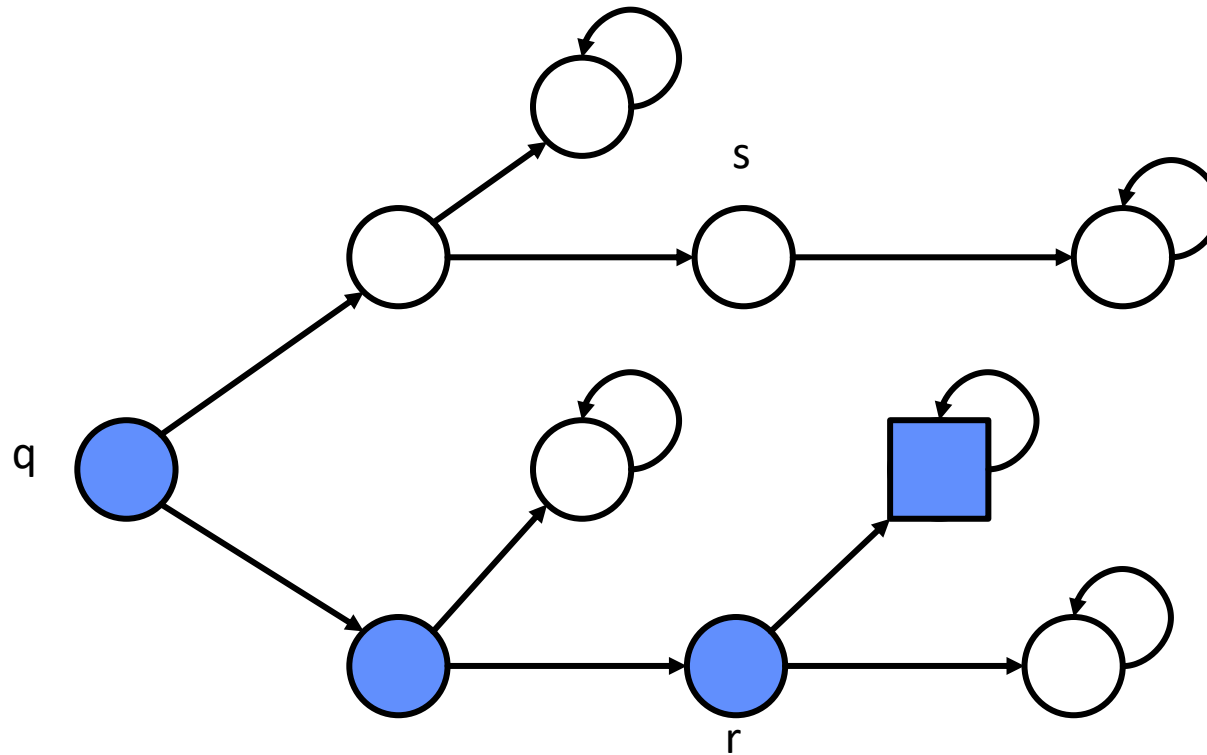
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$\phi EU \Psi$  : “There exists a path along which  $\phi$  holds until  $\Psi$  holds.”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ All $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ NeXt $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ Exists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ Finally $\phi$
	$G\phi \rightarrow$ Globally $\phi$
	$\phi_1 U \phi_2 \rightarrow \phi_1$ Until $\phi_2$

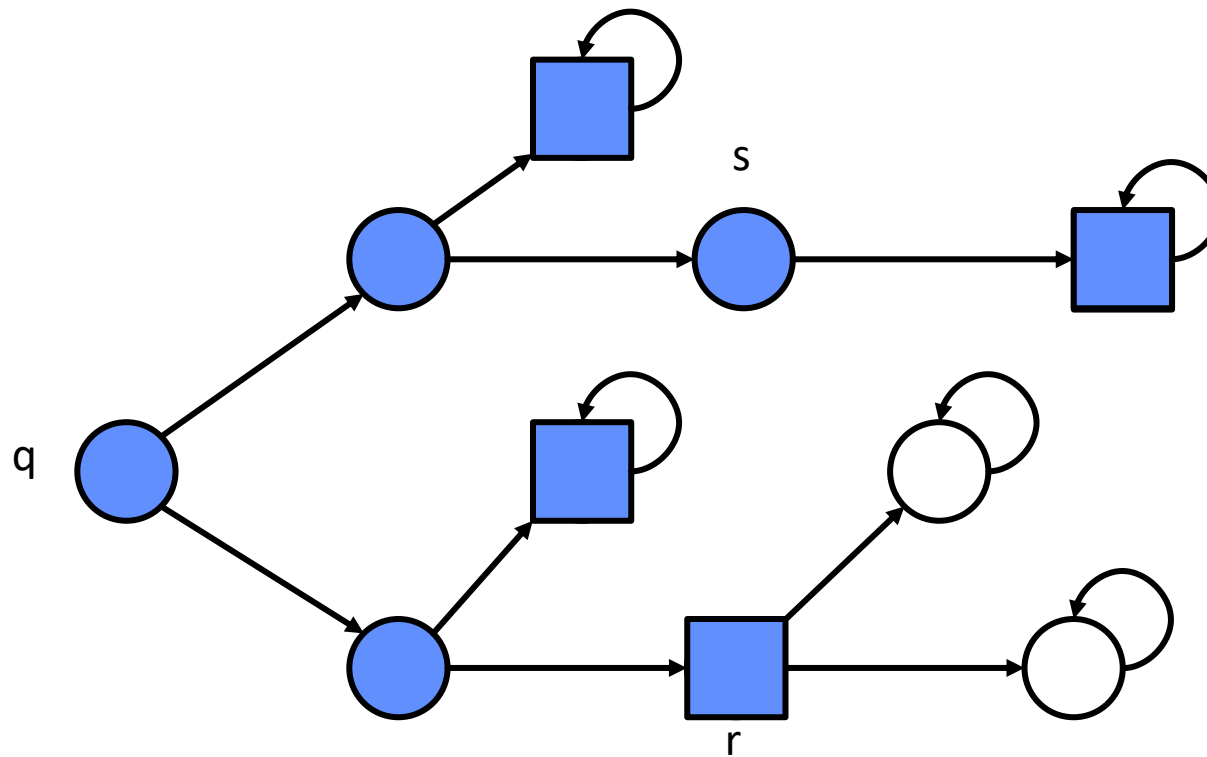


- $\models \Psi$
- $\models \phi$
- $q \models \phi EU \Psi$
- $r \models ?$
- $s \models ?$



$\phi AU\Psi$  : “On all paths,  
 $\phi$  holds until  $\Psi$  holds.”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ All $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ NeXt $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ Exists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ Finally $\phi$
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■  $\models \Psi$

●  $\models \phi$

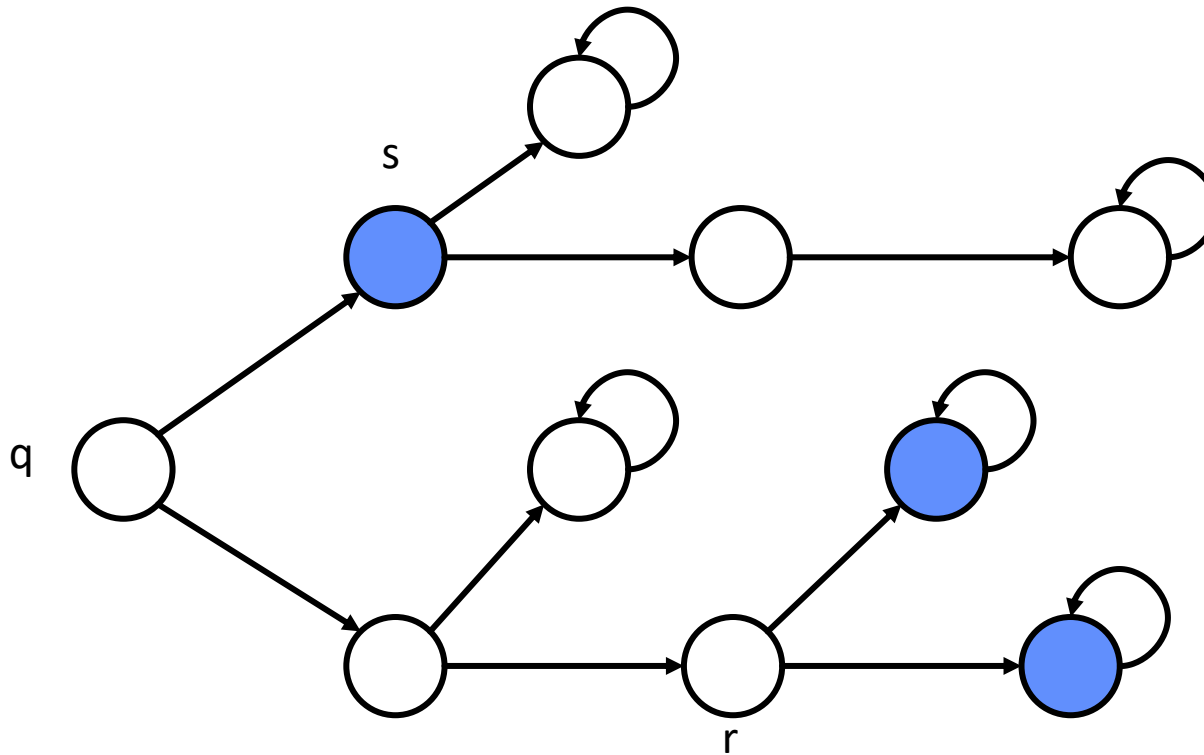
q  $\models \phi AU\Psi$

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$EX\phi$  : “There exists a path along which the next state satisfies  $\phi$ .”

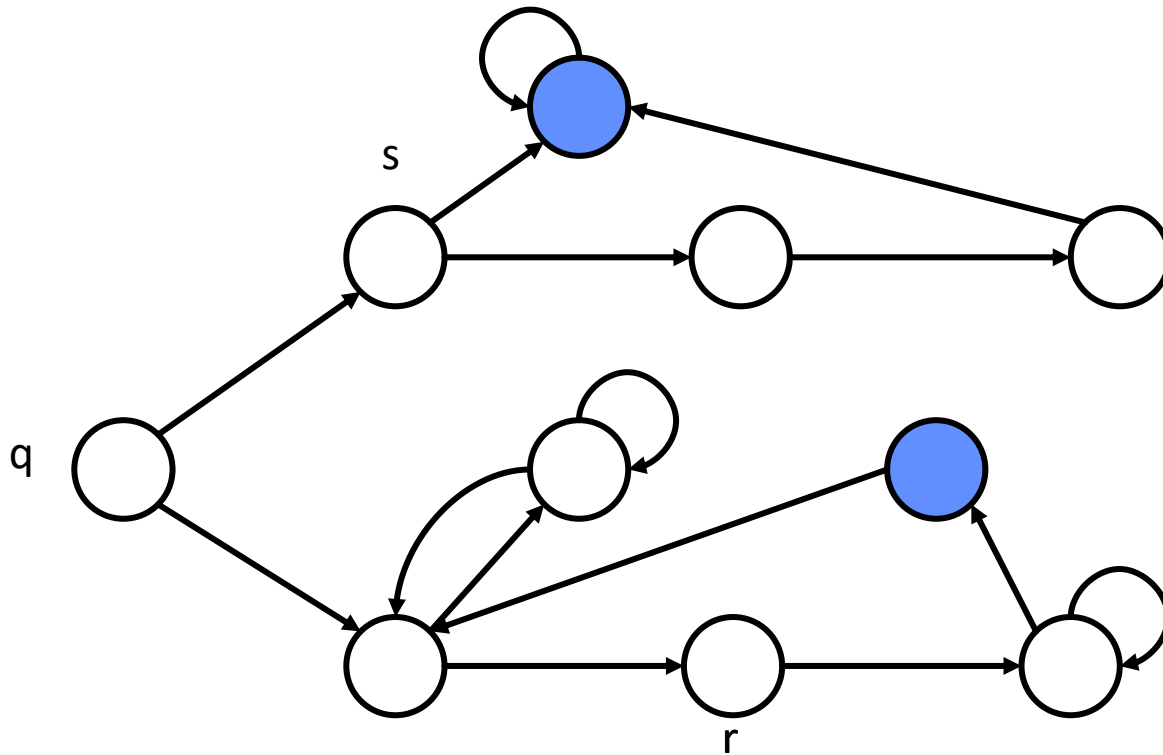
Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ All $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ NeXt $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ Exists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ Finally $\phi$
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- $\models \phi$
- $q \models EX\phi$
- $r \models ?$
- $s \models ?$

AG EF  $\phi$  : “On all paths and for all states, there exists a path along which at some state  $\phi$  holds.”

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ <b>A</b> ll $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ Ne <b>X</b> t $\phi$
$E\phi \rightarrow$ <b>E</b> xists $\phi$	$F\phi \rightarrow$ <b>F</b> inally $\phi$
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●  $\models \phi$

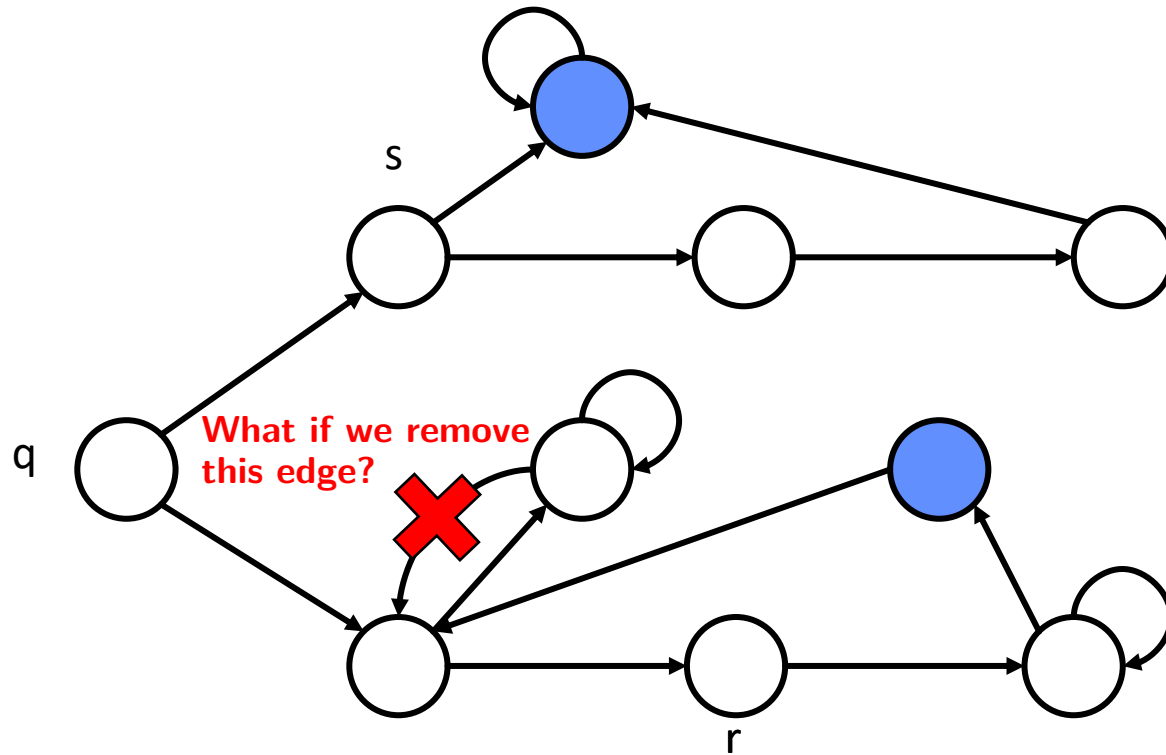
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  $\models \phi$

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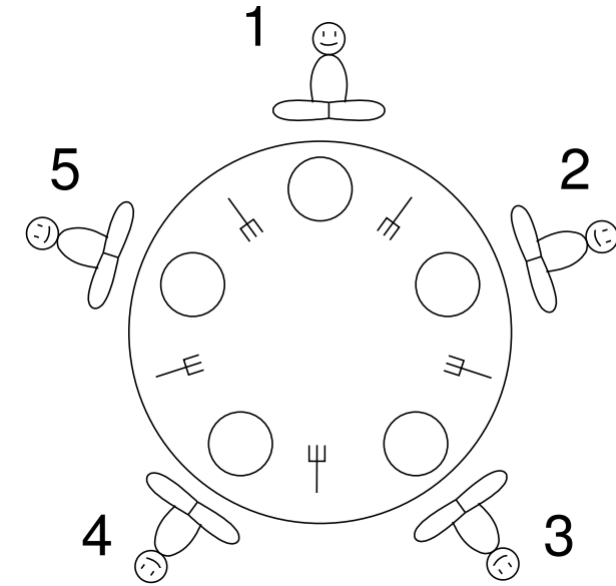
# Specifying using CTL formula

Over paths:	Path-specific:
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Famous problem

## Dining Philosophers

- Five philosophers are sitting around a table, taking turns at thinking and eating.
- Each needs two forks to eat.
- They put down forks only once they have eaten.
- There are only five forks.



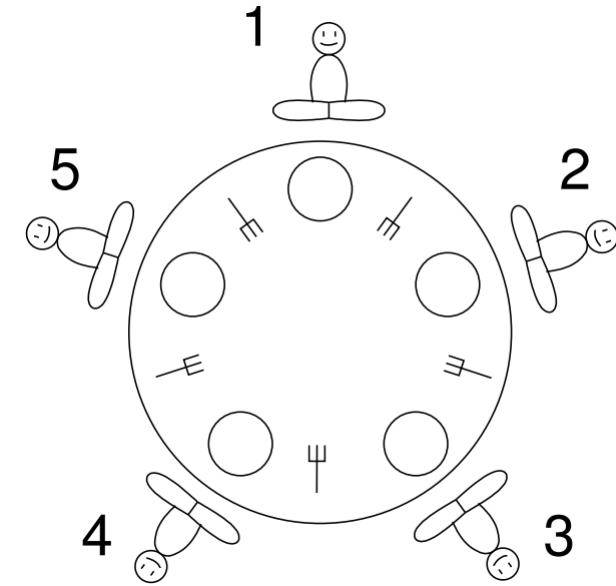
Atomic proposition

$e_i$  : Philosopher  $i$  is currently eating.

# Specifying using CTL formula

Over paths:	Path-specific:
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- “Philosophers 1 and 4 will never eat at the same time.”
- “Every philosopher will get infinitely many turns to eat.”
- “Philosopher 2 will be the first to eat.”



# Computing CTL formula

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ <b>A</b> ll $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ Ne <b>X</b> t $\phi$
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- Define  $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket$  as the set of all initial states of the finite automaton for which CTL formula  $\phi$  is true. A finite automaton with initial state  $q_0$  satisfies  $\phi$  iff

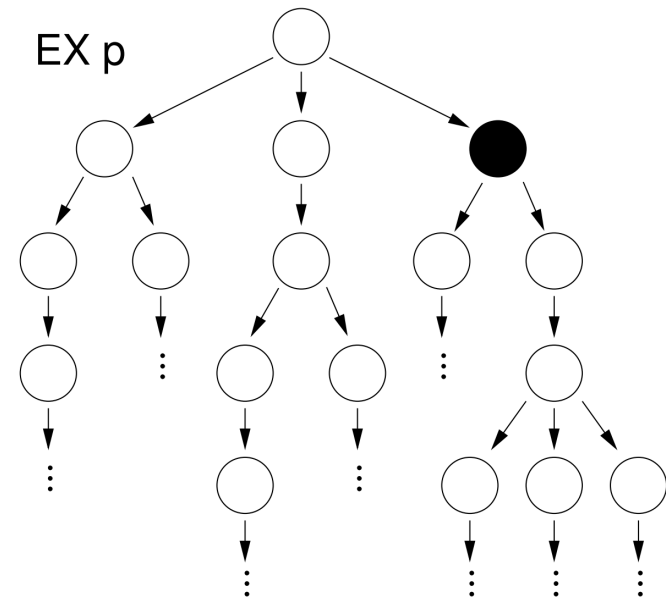
$$q_0 \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

- Now, we can use our “trick”: computing with sets of states!
  - $\psi_{\llbracket \phi \rrbracket}(q)$  is true if the state  $q$  is in the set  $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket$ , i.e., it is a state for which the CTL formula is true.
  - Therefore, we can also say

$$q_0 \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket \equiv \psi_{\llbracket \phi \rrbracket}(q_0) \text{ ————— characteristic function of the set } \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

# Computing CTL formula: $EX \phi$

Over paths:	Path-specific:
$A\phi \rightarrow$ <b>A</b> ll $\phi$	$X\phi \rightarrow$ Ne <b>X</b> t $\phi$
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Over paths:	Path-specific:
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# Computing CTL formula: EX $\phi$

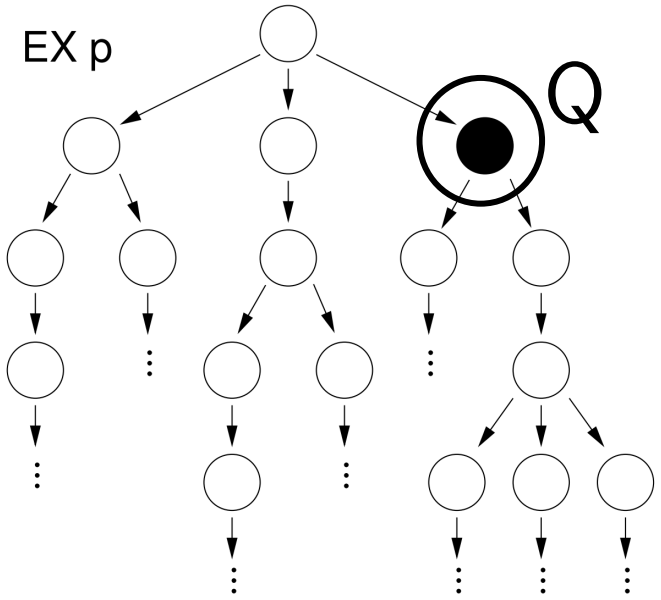
- Suppose that  $Q$  is the set of initial states for which the formula  $\phi$  is true.

Sets

$$Q = \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

Characteristic functions

$$\psi_Q(q)$$



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# Computing CTL formula: EX $\phi$

- Suppose that  $Q$  is the set of initial states for which the formula  $\phi$  is true.
- $Q'$  is the set of predecessor states of  $Q$ , i.e., the set of states that lead in one transition to a state in  $Q$ :

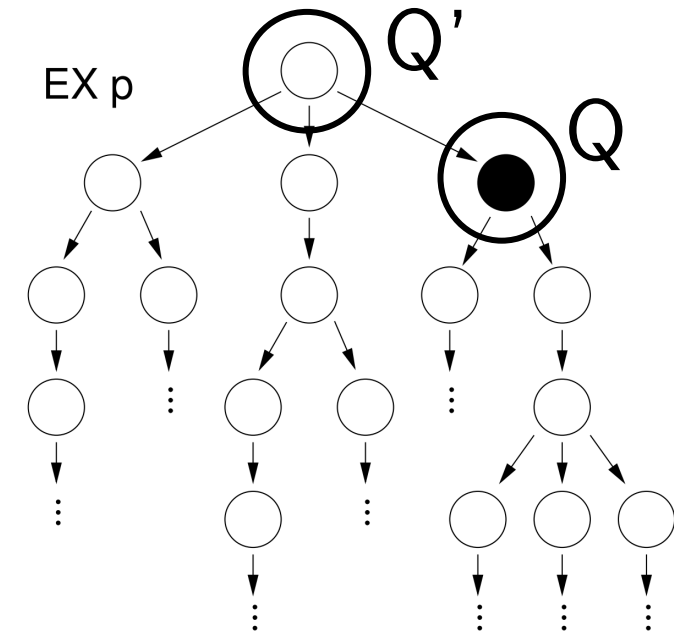
$$Q' = Pre(Q, \delta) = \{q' \mid \exists q : \psi_\delta(q', q) \cdot \psi_Q(q)\}$$

Sets

$$Q = \llbracket \phi \rrbracket \longrightarrow Q' = \llbracket EX\phi \rrbracket = Pre(\llbracket \phi \rrbracket, \delta)$$

Characteristic functions

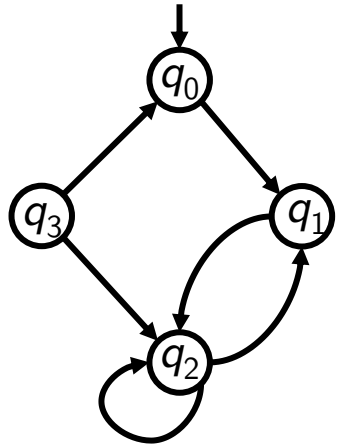
$$\psi_Q(q) \longrightarrow \psi_{Q'}(q') = (\exists q : \psi_Q(q) \cdot \psi_\delta(q', q))$$



# Computing CTL formula: $EX \phi$

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- Example for  $EX \phi$  : Compute  $EX q_2$

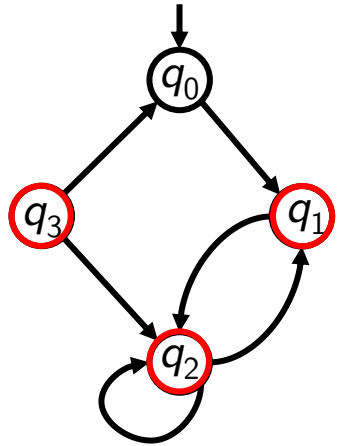


$$\llbracket q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_2\}$$

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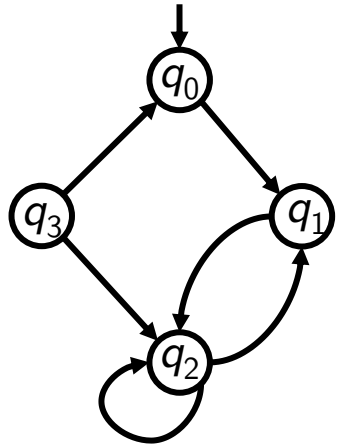
$$Q' = \llbracket EX q_2 \rrbracket = \underline{Pre(\{q_2\}, \delta)} = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

$$\{q' \mid \exists q : \psi_\delta(q', q) \cdot \psi_Q(q)\}$$

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$$\{q' \mid \exists q : \psi_\delta(q', q) \cdot \psi_Q(q)\}$$

As  $q_0 \notin \llbracket EX q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$ , the CTL formula  $EX q_2$  is not true.

Over paths:	Path-specific:
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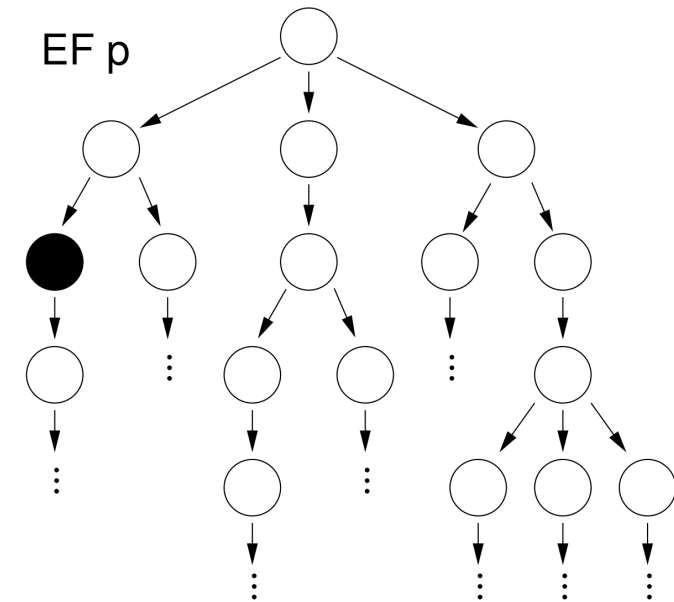
# Computing CTL formula: $EF \phi$

- Start with the set of initial states for which the formula  $\phi$  is true.
- Add to this set the set of predecessor states. Repeat for the resulting set of states, ..., until we reach a fixed-point.

$$Q_0 = \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

$$Q_i = Q_{i-1} \cup \text{Pre}(Q_{i-1}, \delta) \quad \text{for all } i > 1 \text{ until a fixed point } Q' \text{ is reached}$$

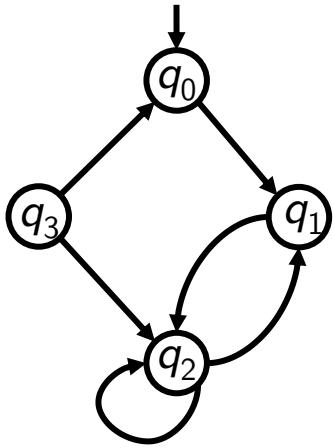
$$\llbracket EF\phi \rrbracket = Q'$$



# Computing CTL formula: $EF \phi$

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- Example for  $EF\phi$ : Compute  $EF q_2$

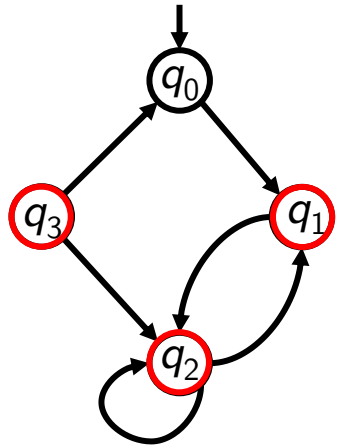


$$Q_0 = \llbracket q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_2\}$$

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$$Q_0 = \llbracket q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_2\}$$

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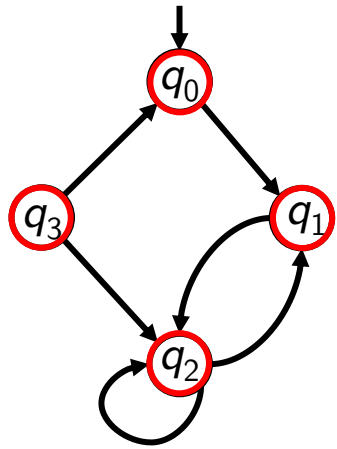
$$\{q' \mid \exists q \text{ with } \psi_Q(q) \cdot \psi_\delta(q', q)\} = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$



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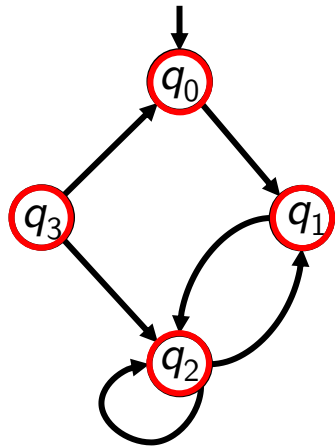
$$Q_2 = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\} \cup \underline{\text{Pre}(\{q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \delta)} = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

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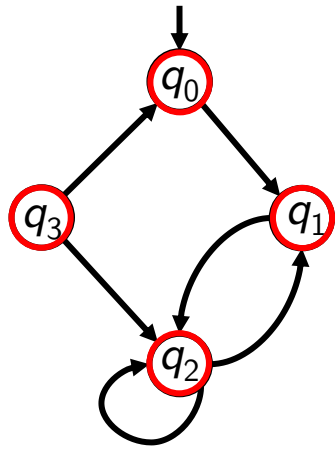
$$Q_3 = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\} \cup \text{Pre}(\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \delta) = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

$$\llbracket EF q_2 \rrbracket = Q_3 = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

Over paths:	Path-specific:
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$$\{q' \mid \exists q \text{ with } \psi_Q(q) \cdot \psi_\delta(q', q)\} = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

$$Q_0 = \llbracket q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_2\}$$

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$$Q_2 = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\} \cup \text{Pre}(\{q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \delta) = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

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$$\llbracket EF q_2 \rrbracket = Q_3 = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

As  $q_0 \in \llbracket EF q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$ , the CTL formula  $EF q_2$  is true.

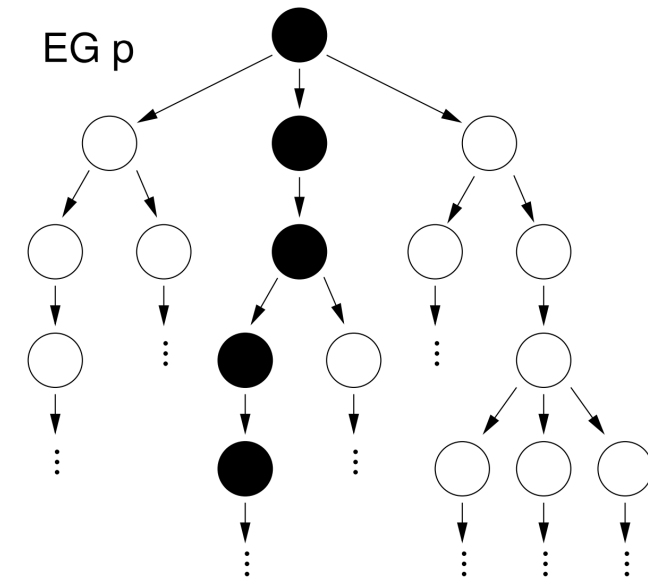
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$$Q_0 = \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

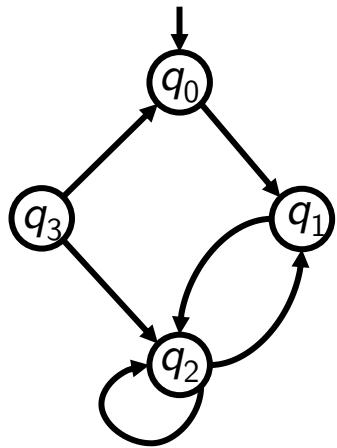
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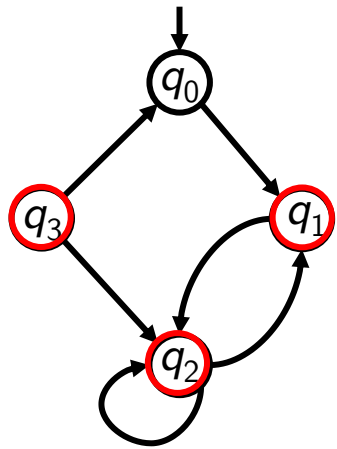


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$$\llbracket \text{EG} q_2 \rrbracket = Q_2 = \{q_2\}$$

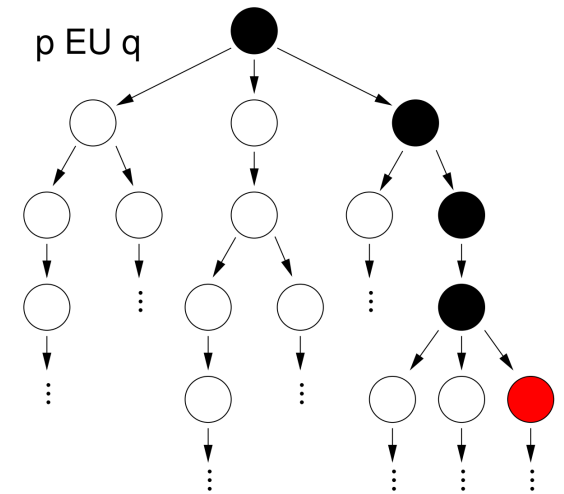
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As  $q_0 \notin \llbracket \text{EG} q_2 \rrbracket = \{q_2\}$ , the CTL formula EG  $q_2$  is not true.

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- Like  $EF \phi_2$ ; the only difference is that, on our path backwards, we always make sure that also  $\phi_1$  holds.



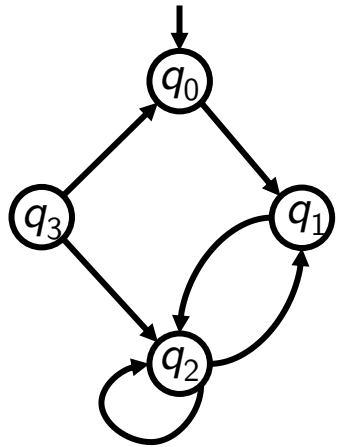
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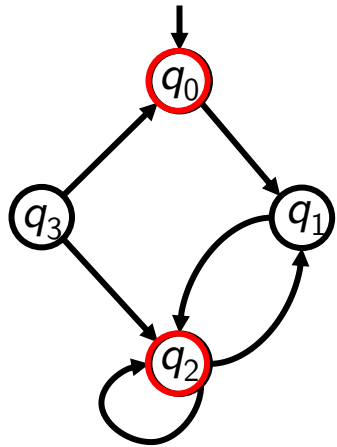
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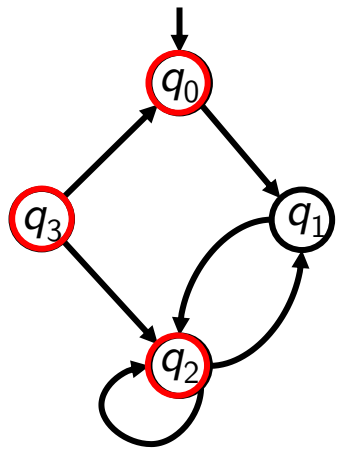
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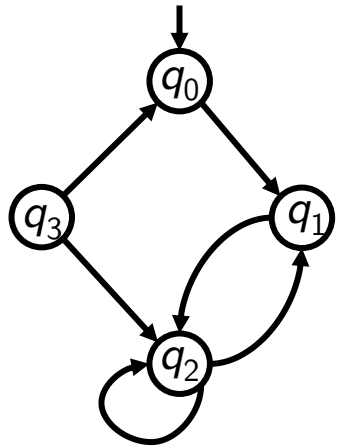
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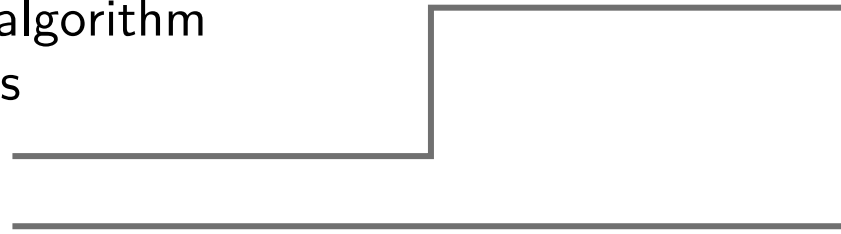
Compute other CTL expressions as:

$$AF\phi \equiv \neg EG(\neg\phi) \quad AG\phi \equiv \neg EF(\neg\phi) \quad AX\phi \equiv \neg EX(\neg\phi)$$

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Extremely useful!

- Debugging the model
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# Your turn to practice!

## after the break

1. Familiarise yourself with CTL logic and how to compute sets of states satisfying a given formula
2. Convert a concrete problem into a state reachability question  
(adapted from state-of-the-art research!)

Efficient state  
representation

- Set of states as Boolean function
- Binary Decision Diagram representation

Computing  
reachability

- Leverage efficient state representation
- Explore successor sets of states

Today

Proving  
properties

- Temporal logic (CTL)
- Encoding as reachability problem

# Conclusion and perspectives

Next week(s)

Petri Nets

- asynchronous DES model
- tailored model concurrent distributed systems
- capture an infinite state space with a finite model

———— a computer  
a network

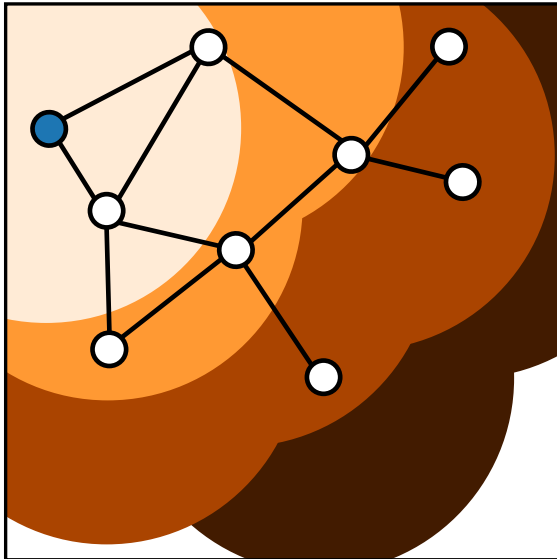
How they work?

How to use them for modeling systems?

How to **verify them**?



Thanks for your attention and see you next week! 😊



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