

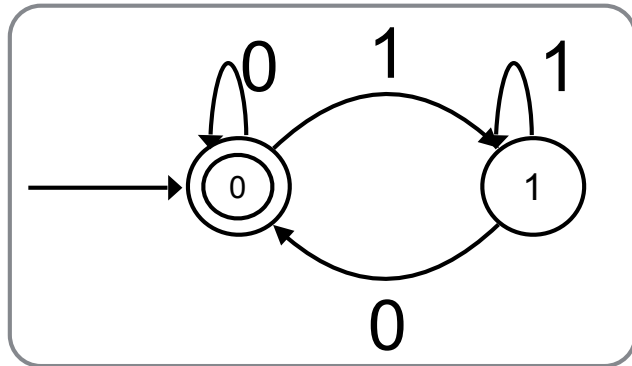
NFA and regex



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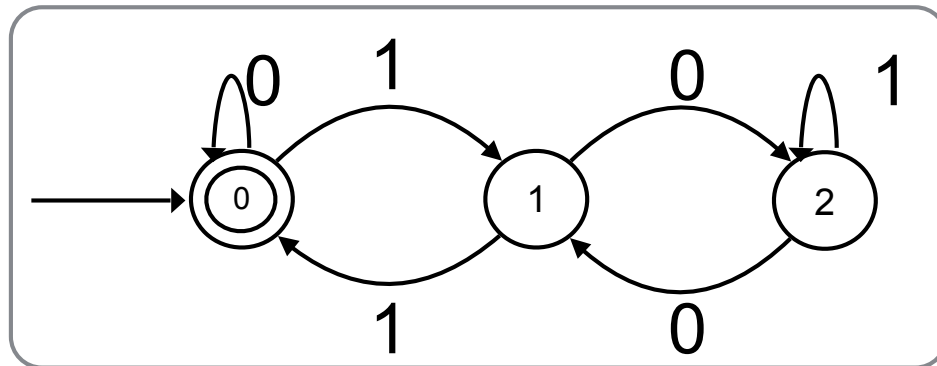
- the Boolean algebra of languages
- non-deterministic machines
- regular expressions

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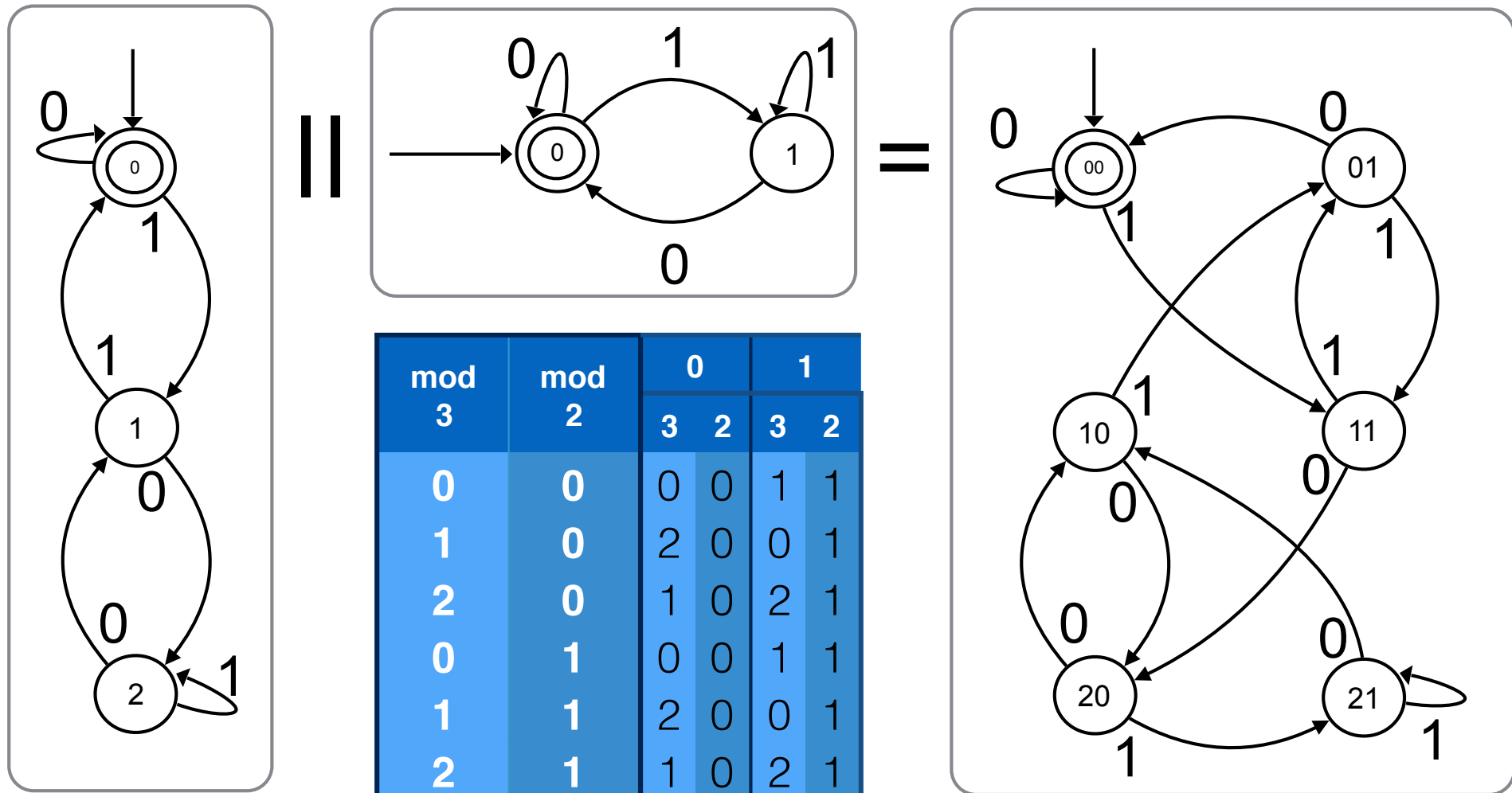
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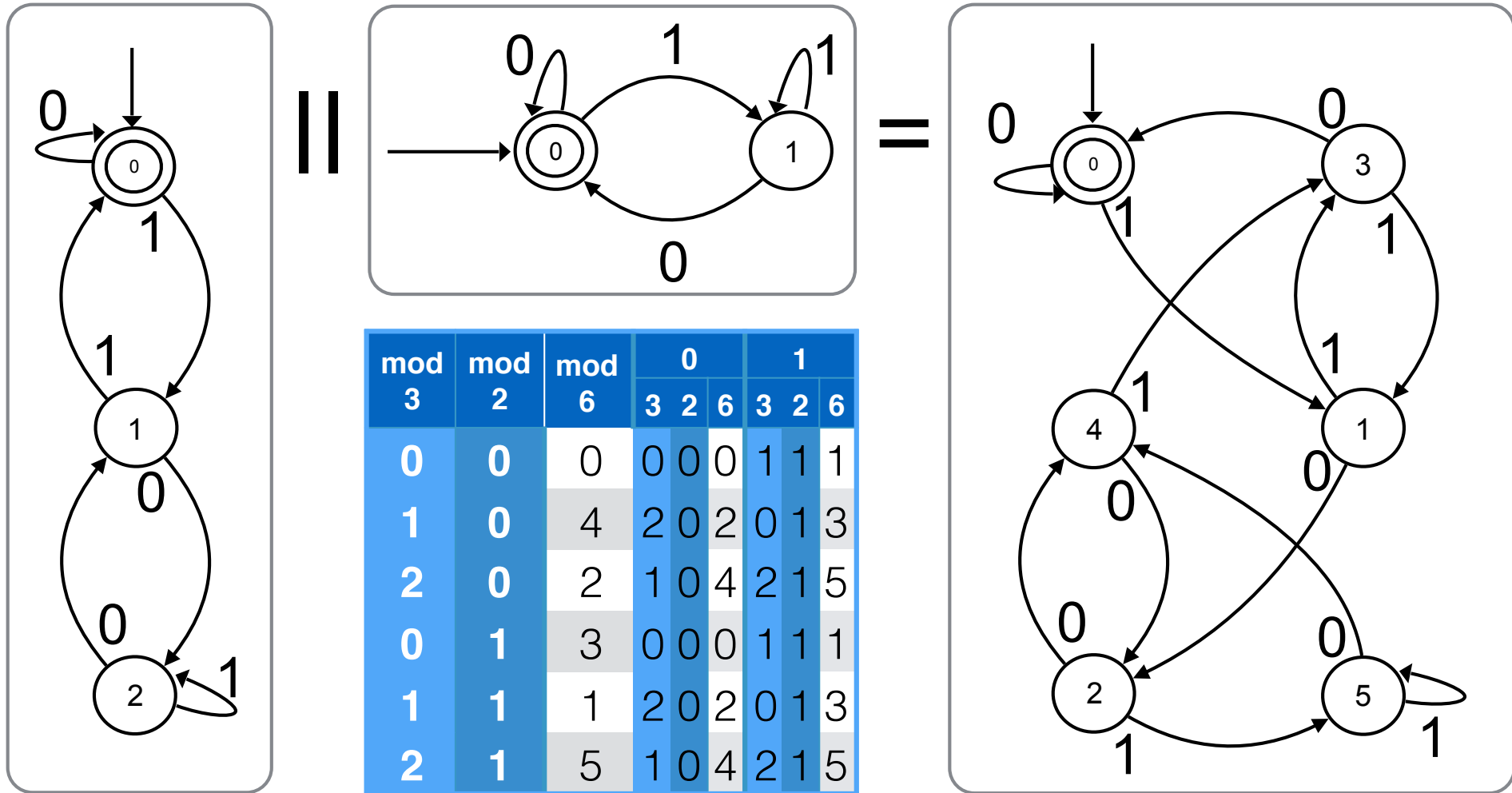


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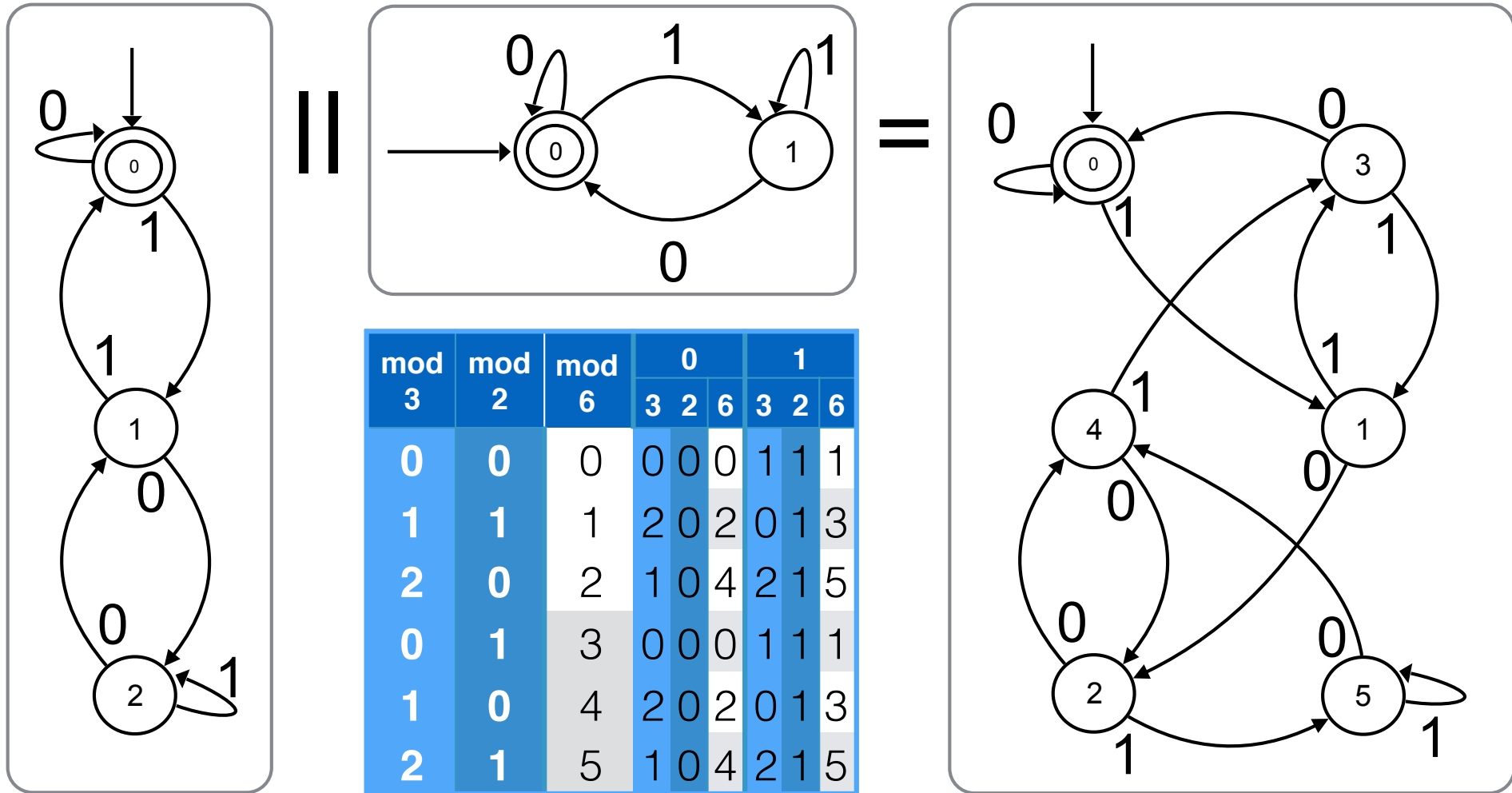
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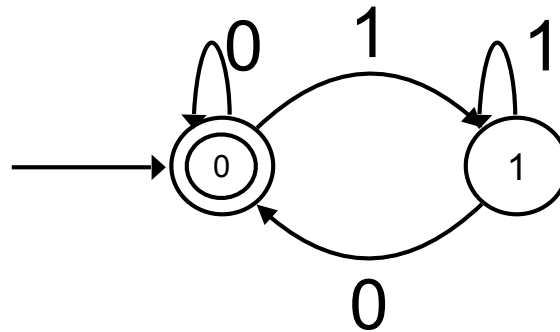


- Since they are closed under intersection and complement.

Two examples



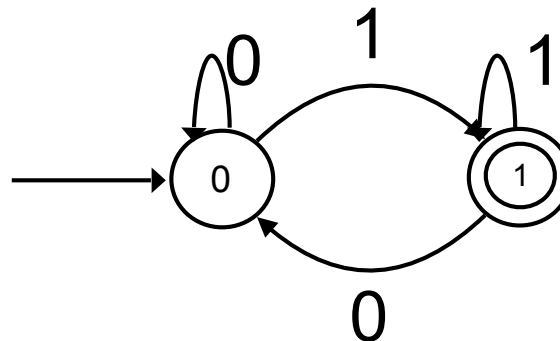
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Even
binary
numbers

Input sequence is accepted if it ends with a zero.

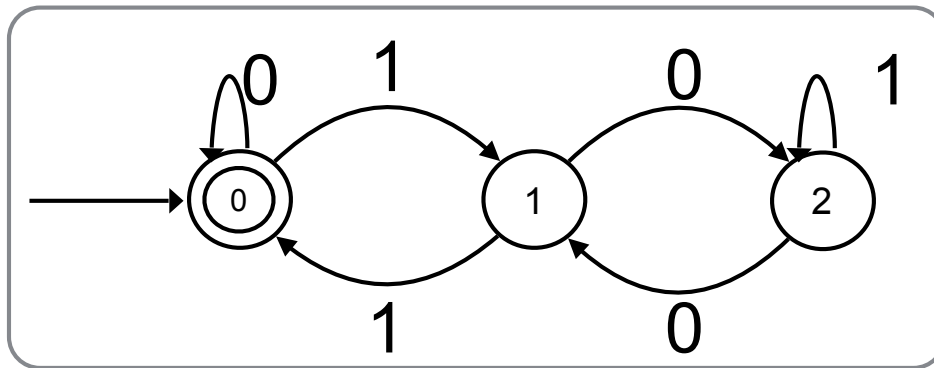
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Odd
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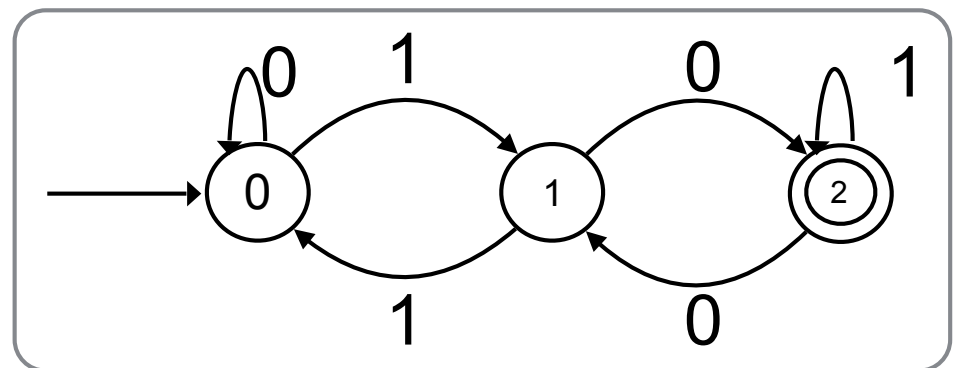
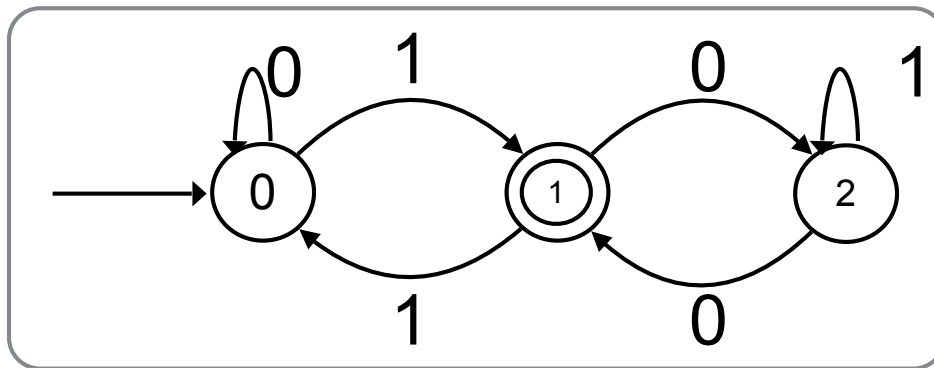
Input sequence is accepted if it ends with a one.

Three examples

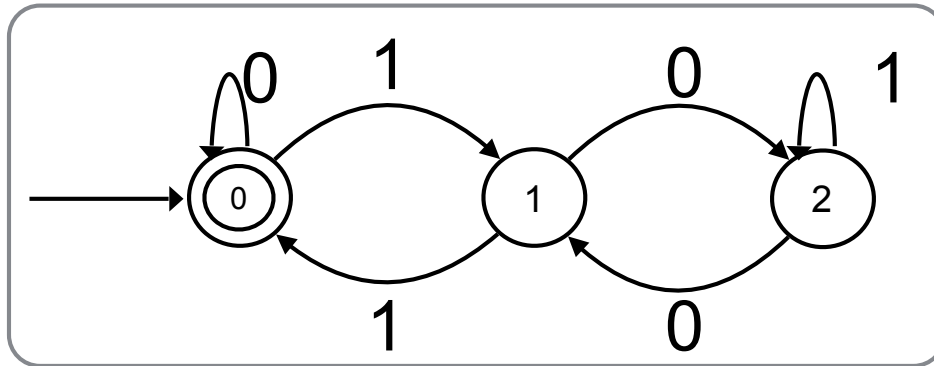


Which binary numbers are accepted?

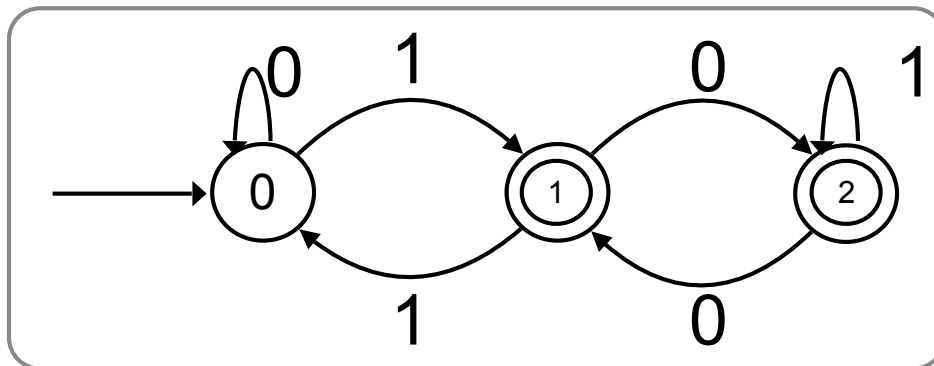
| | $\times 2$ | $\times 2 + 1$ |
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| mod 3 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 |



By three or not by three?

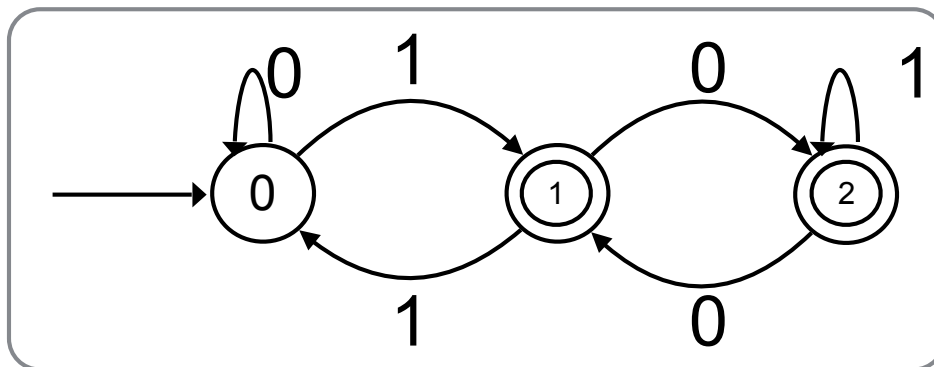
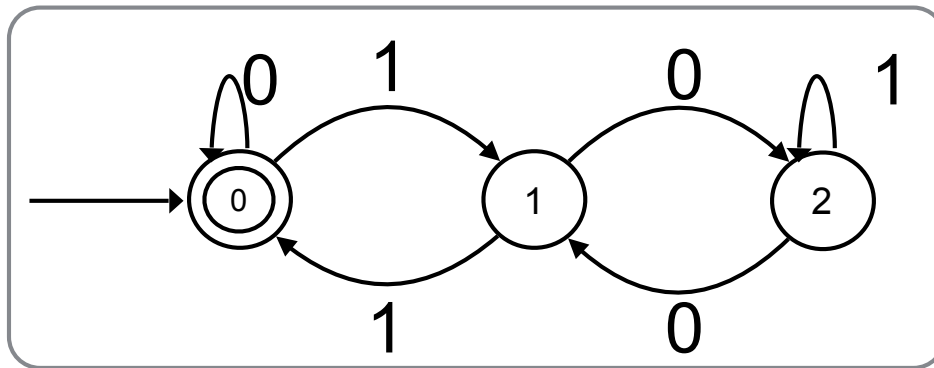


divisible by three



not
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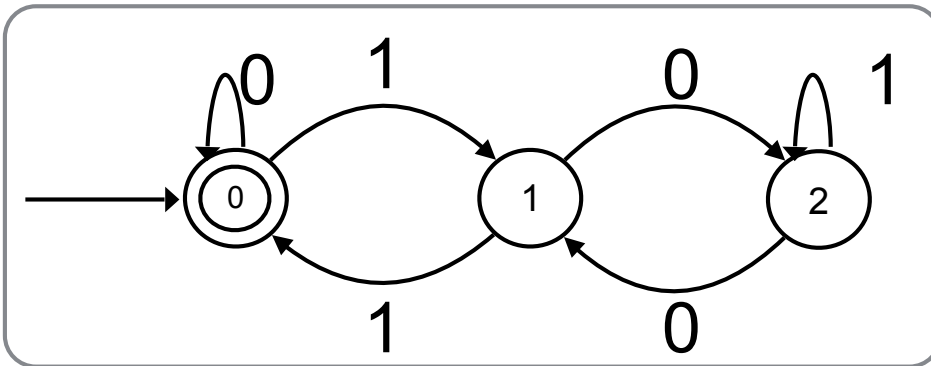
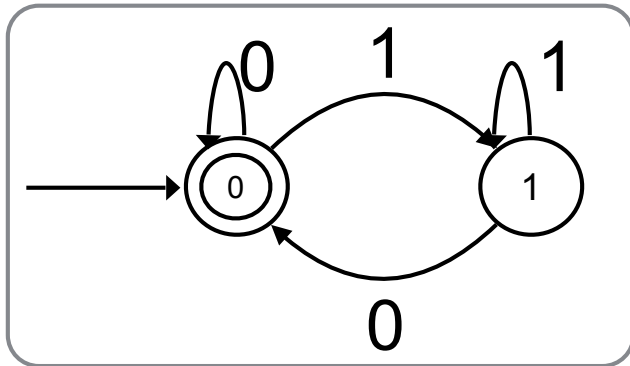
The complement of a regular language is regular



If $A \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is recognised by M then $\bar{A} = \Sigma^* \setminus A$ is recognised by \bar{M}

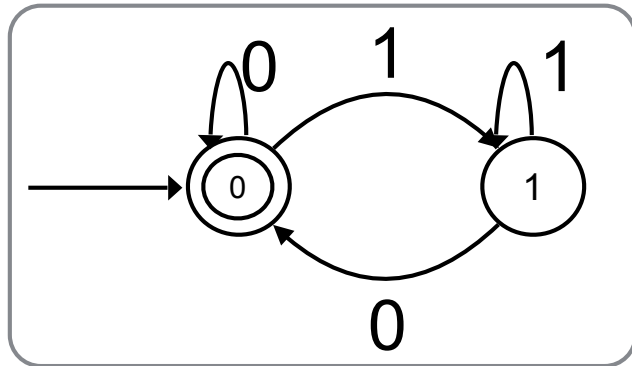
where \bar{M} and M are identical except that the accepting states of \bar{M} are the non-accepting states of M and vice-versa

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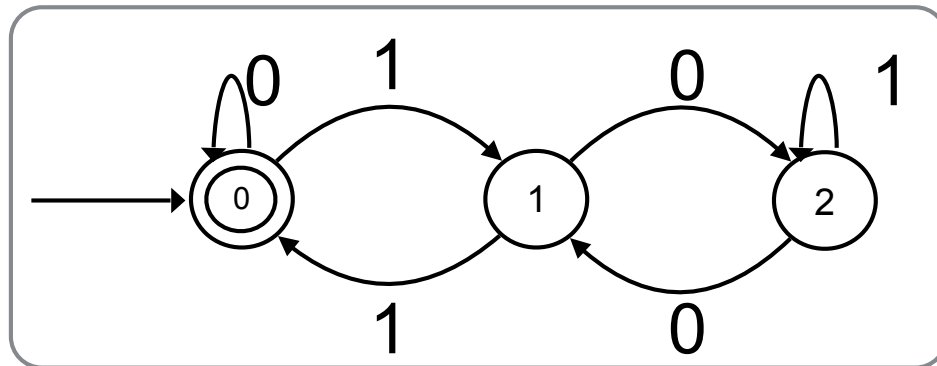
divisible by 6
≡
divisible by 2
and
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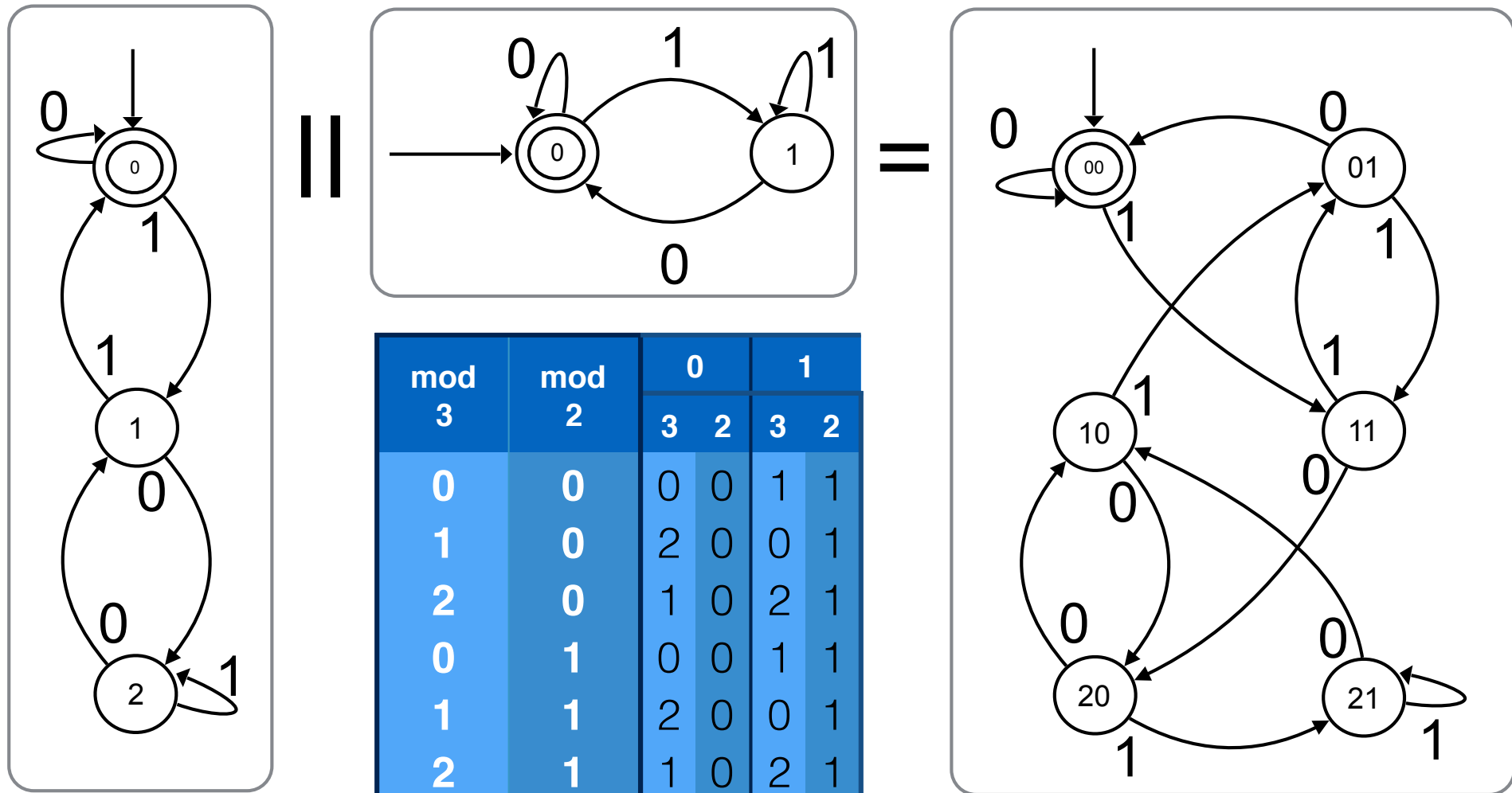
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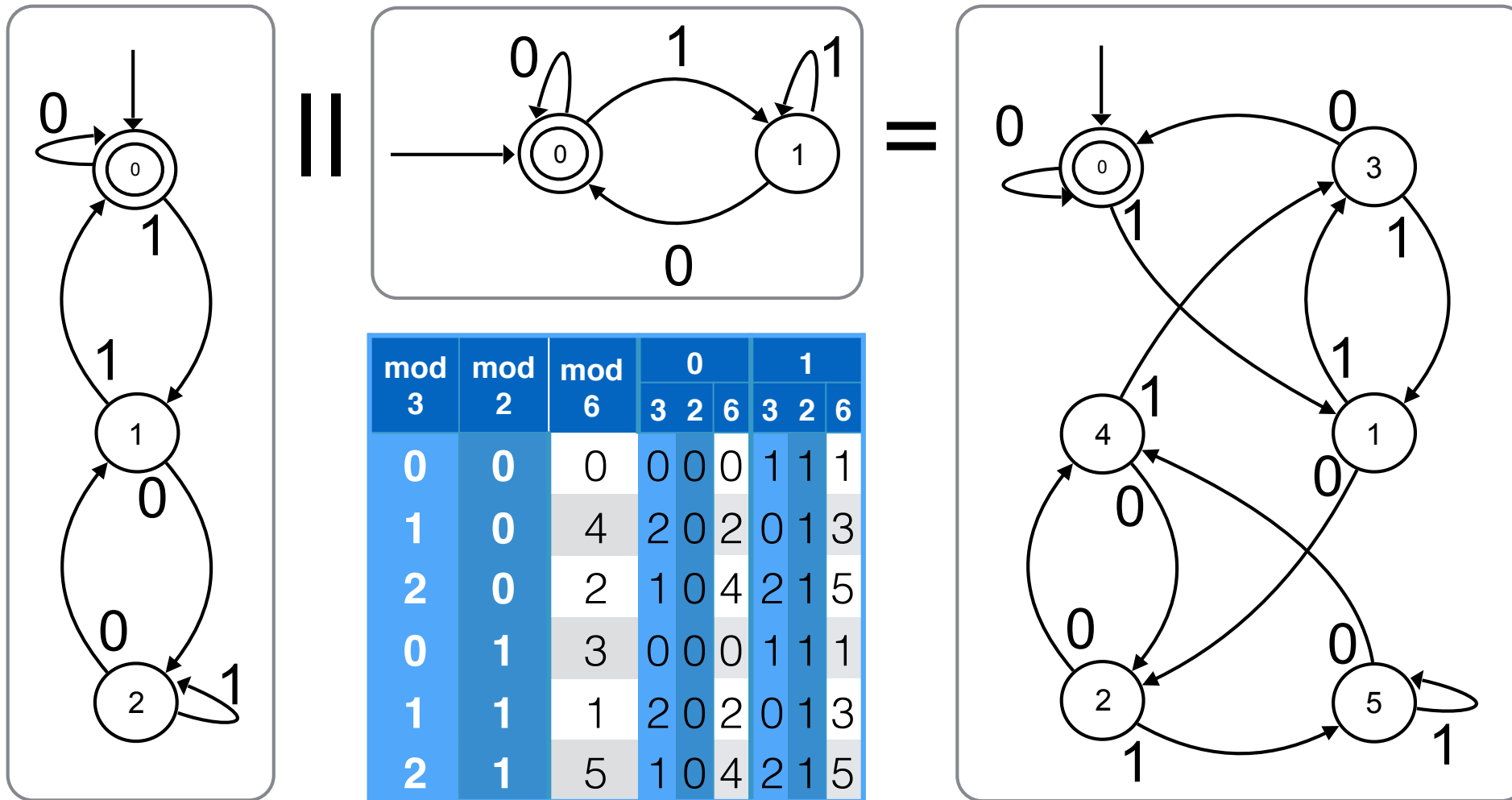


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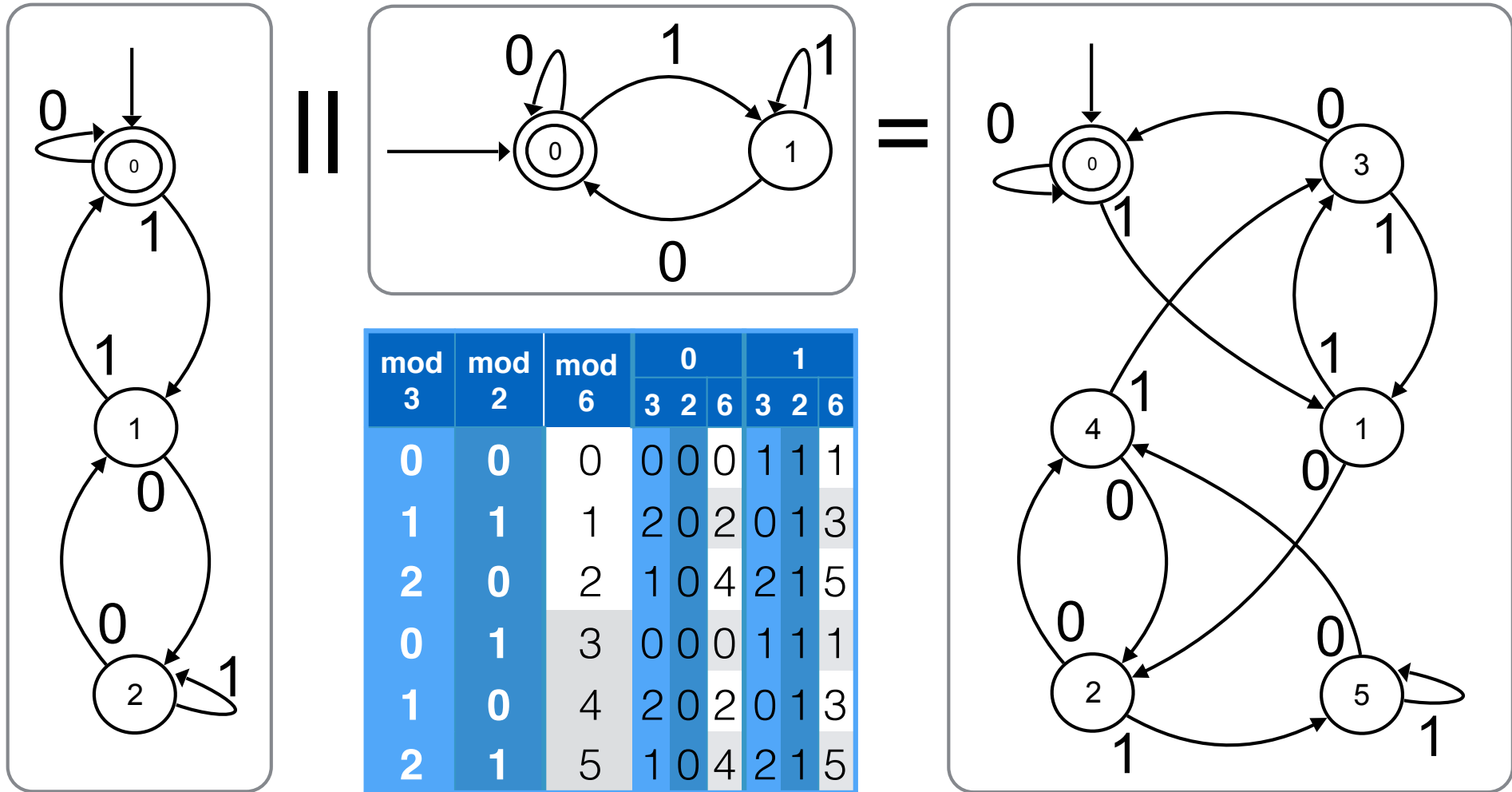
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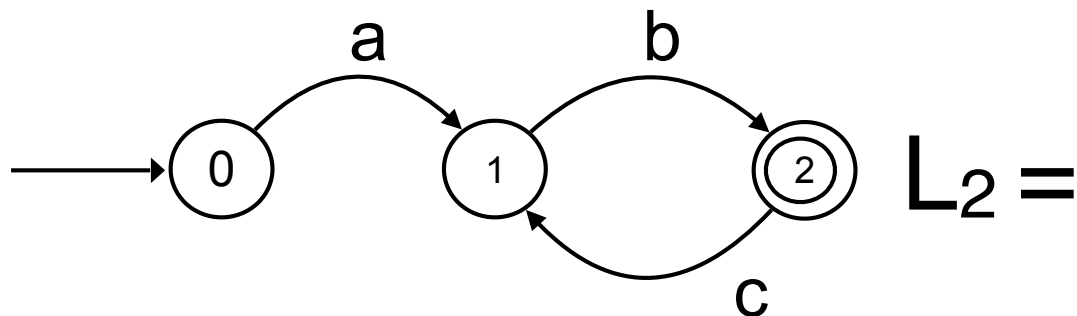
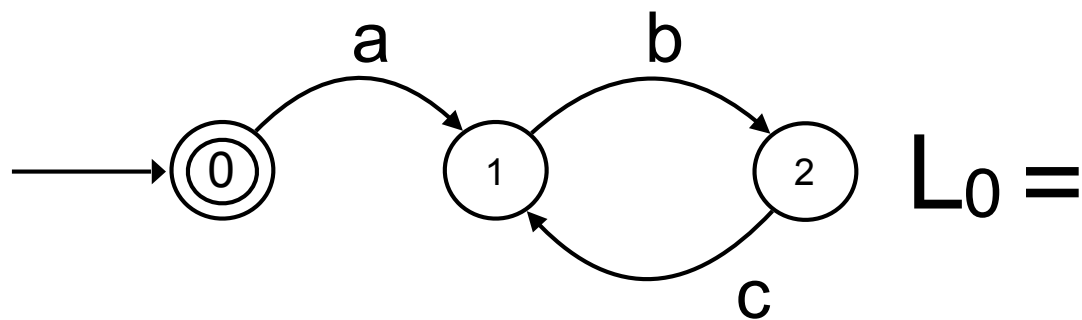
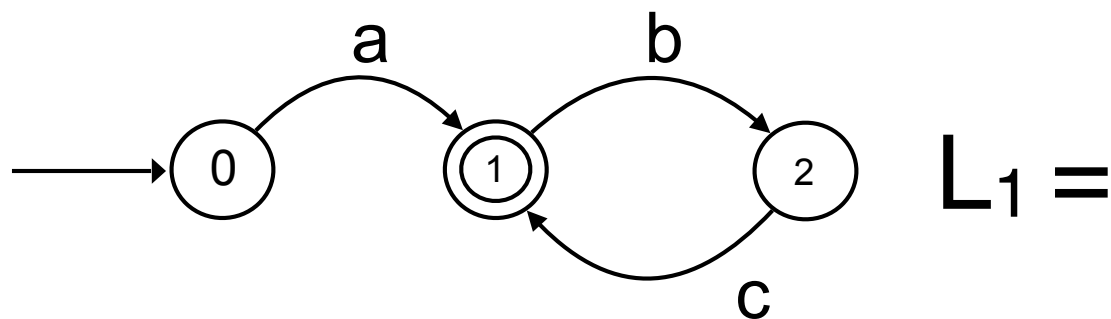


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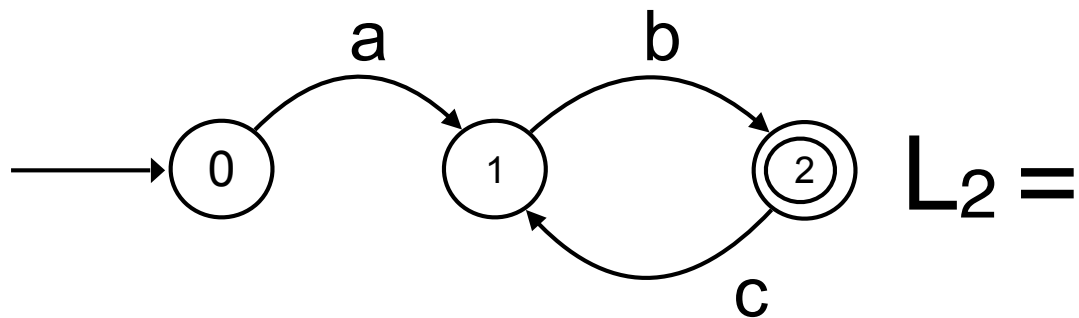
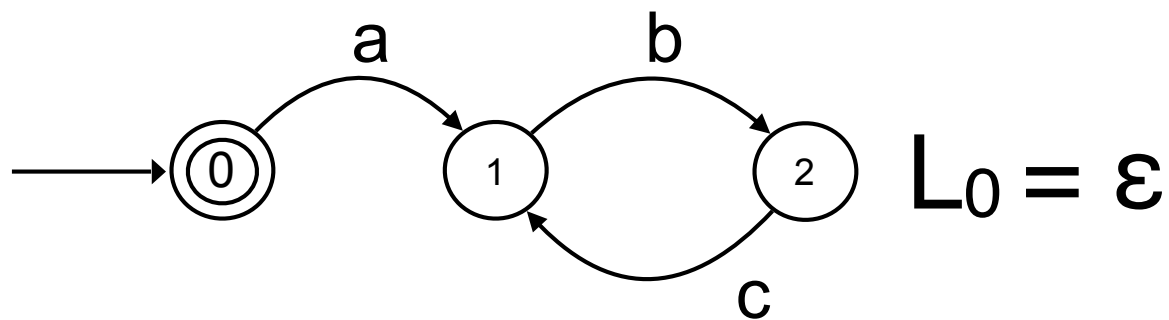
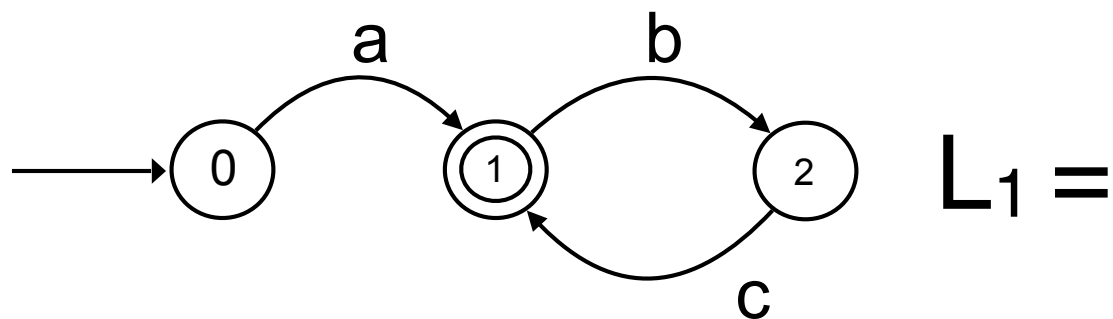


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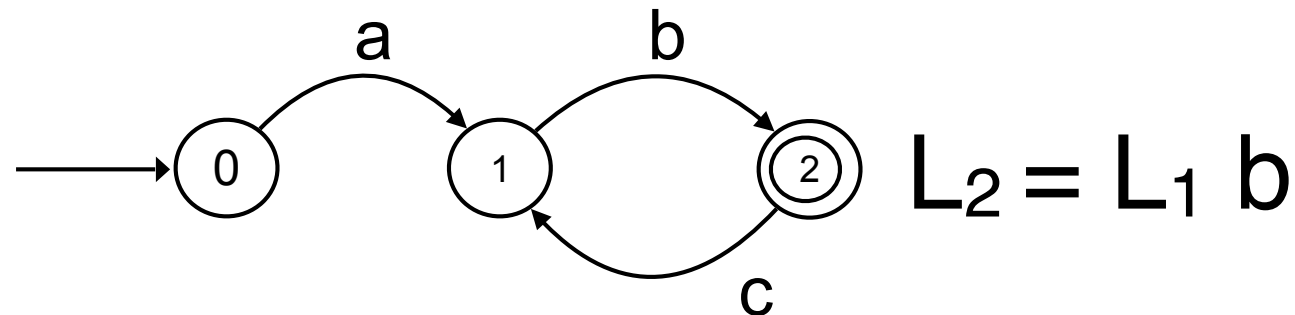
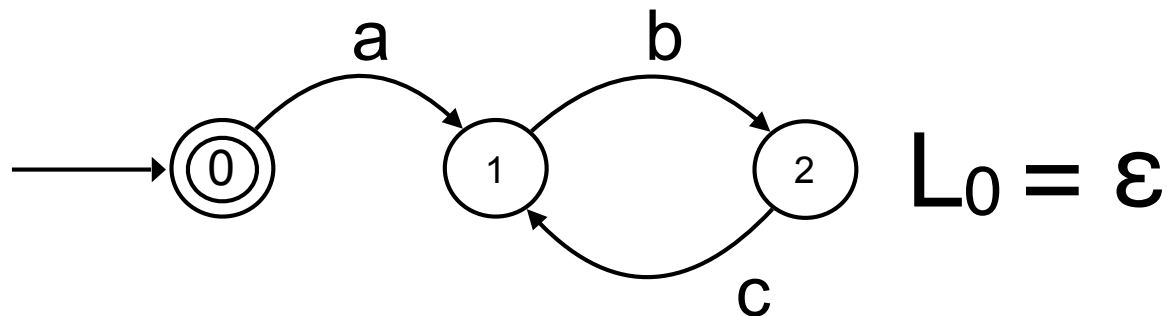
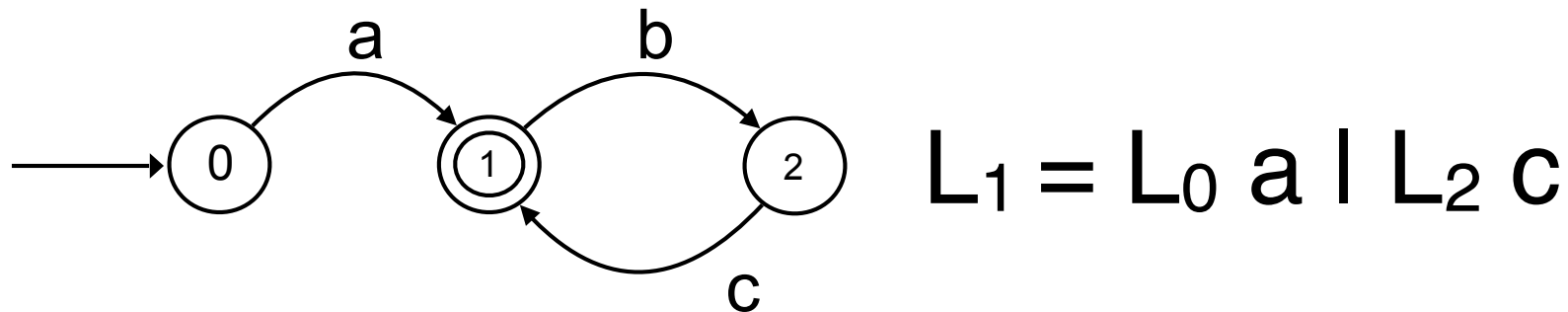
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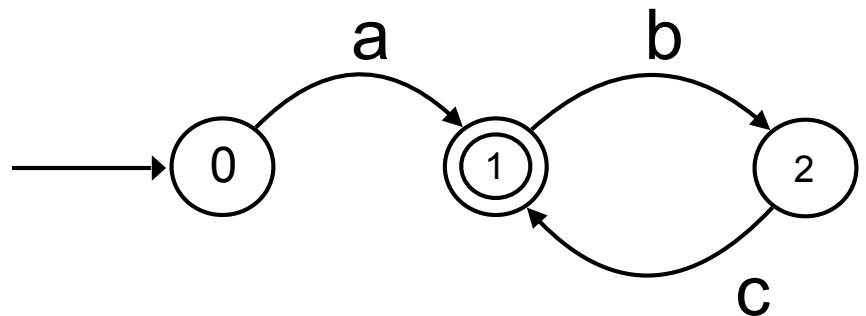
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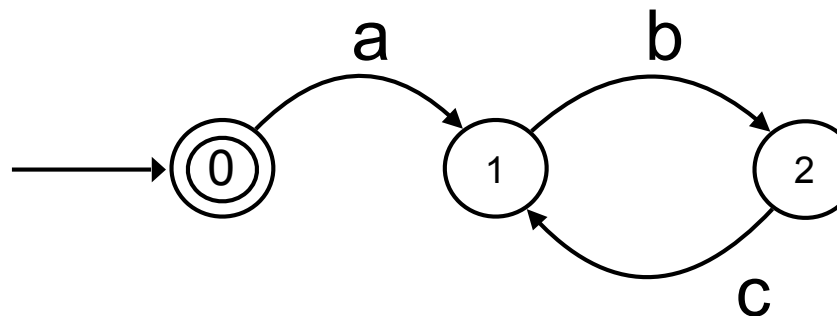
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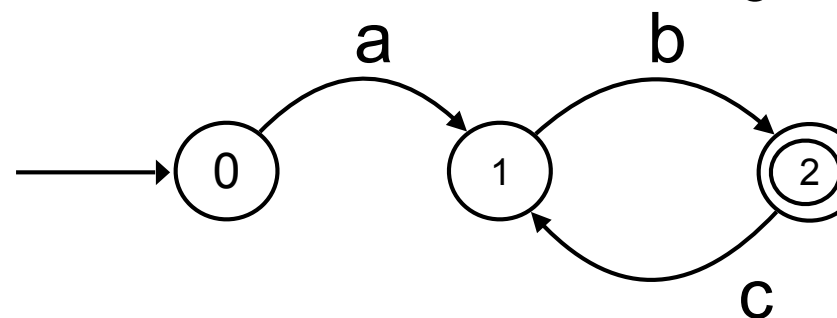
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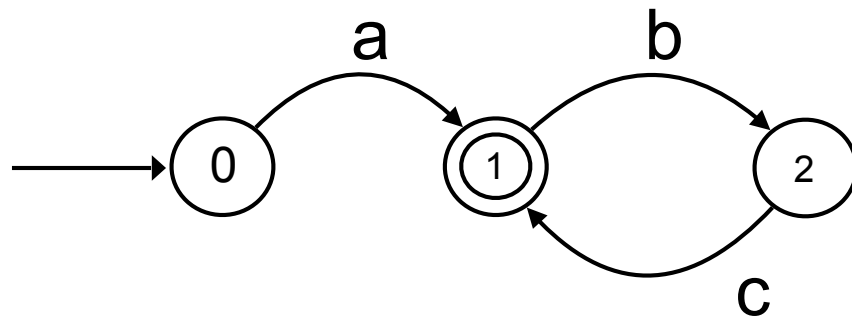


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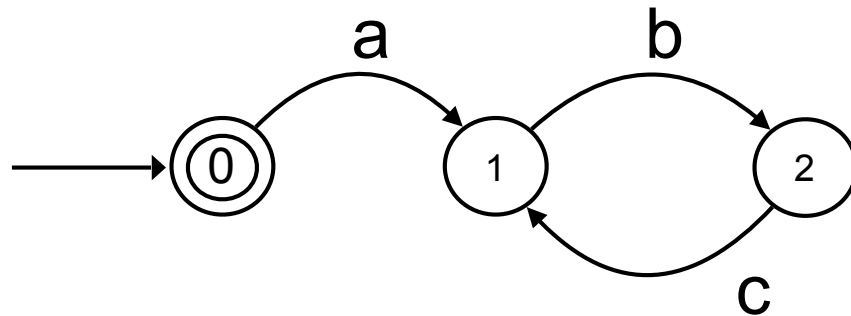


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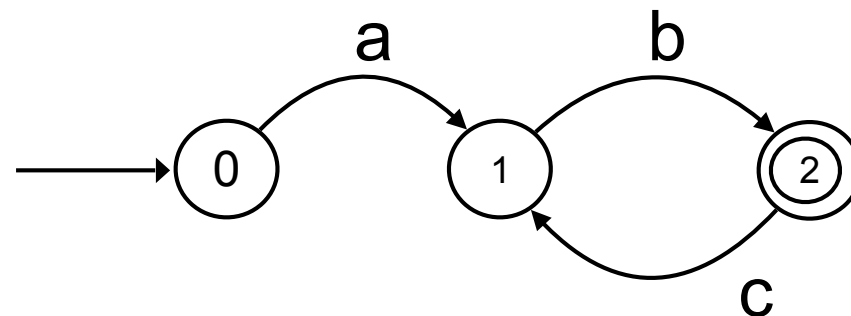
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Arden's Lemma

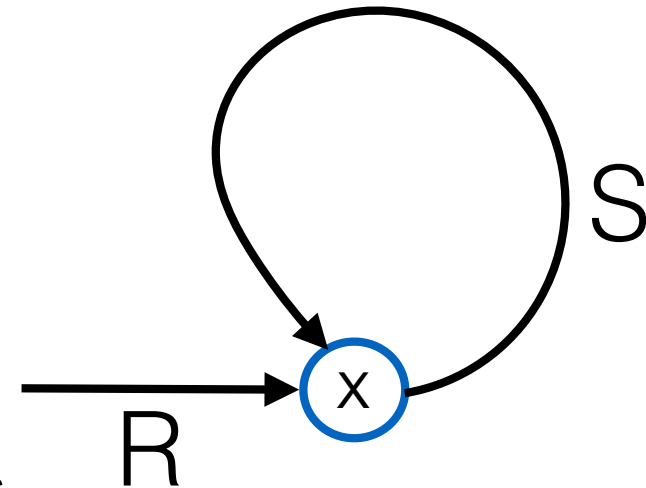


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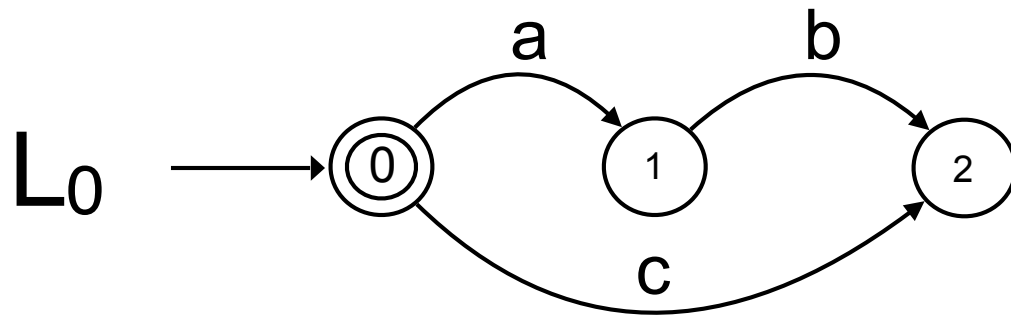
$$X = R \mid X S$$

has a solution $X = R S^*$

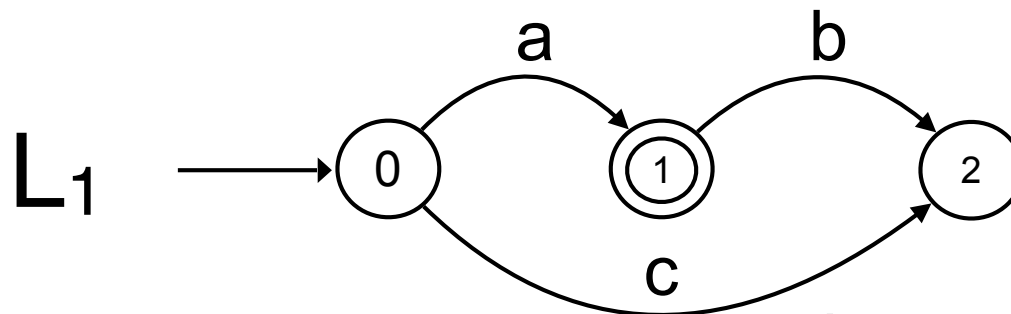
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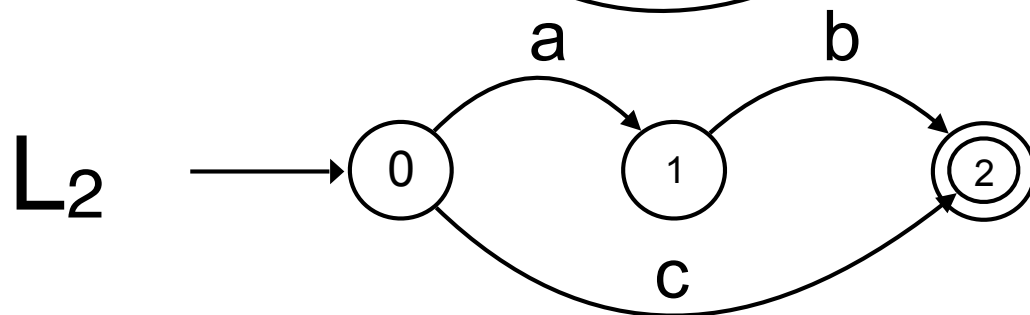
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Let L_i be the language accepted if i is the accepting state



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 $L_2 = L_1 b \mid L_0 c$



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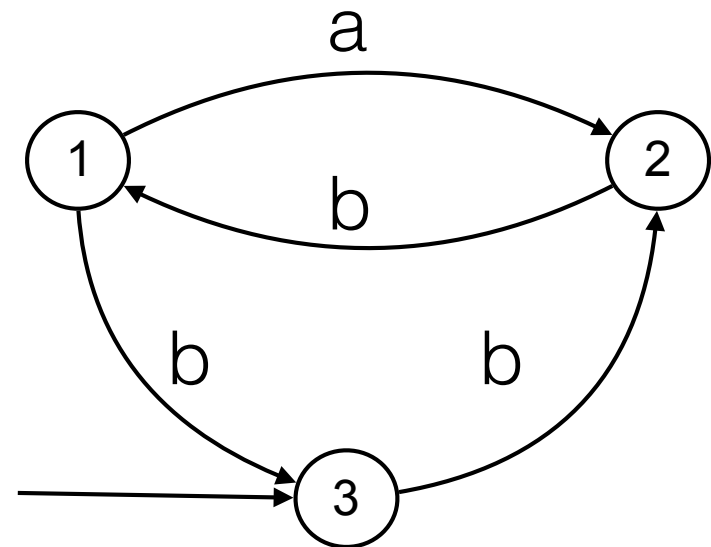


$$L_1 = L_2 b$$

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$$\begin{aligned} L_2 &= (\varepsilon \mid L_2 b b) b \mid L_2 b a \\ &= b \mid L_2 b b b \mid L_2 b a \\ &= b \mid L_2 (b b b \mid b a) \end{aligned}$$

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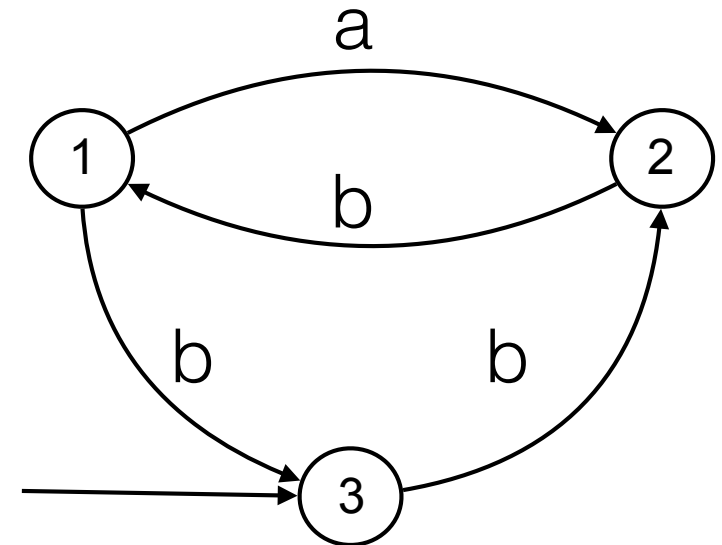


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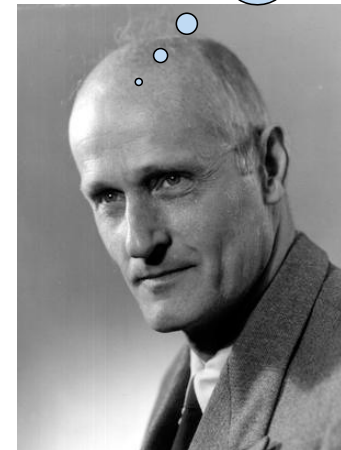
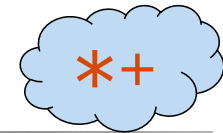
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regular expressions

- any character is a regexp
 - matches itself
- if R and S are regexps, so is RS
 - matches
a match for R followed by a match for S
- if R and S are regexps, so is R|S
 - matches
any match for R or S (or both)
- if R is a regexp, so is R*
 - matches
any sequence of 0 or more matches for R
- The algebra of regular expressions also includes elements 0 and 1
 - 0 matches nothing; 1 matches the empty string

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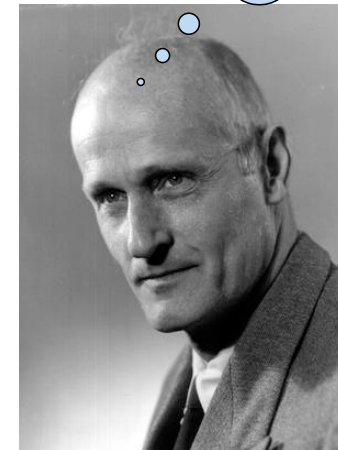
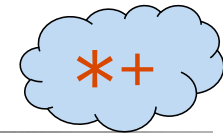
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regular expressions denote regular sets

- any character a is a regexp
 - $\{ \langle a \rangle \}$
- if R and S are regexs, so is RS
 - $\{ r s \mid r \in R \text{ and } s \in S \}$
- if R and S are regexps, so is $R \cup S$
 - $R \cup S$
- if R is a regexp, so is R^*
 - $\{ r^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } r \in R \}$
- 0 $0 \mid S = S = S \mid 0$
 - \emptyset empty set
- 1 $1 \mid S = S = S \mid 1$
 - $\{ \langle \rangle \}$ singleton empty sequence:

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