

# Formal Methods for Computer System Design and Analysis

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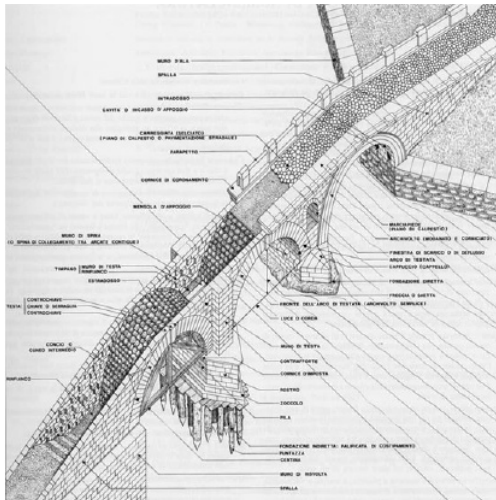
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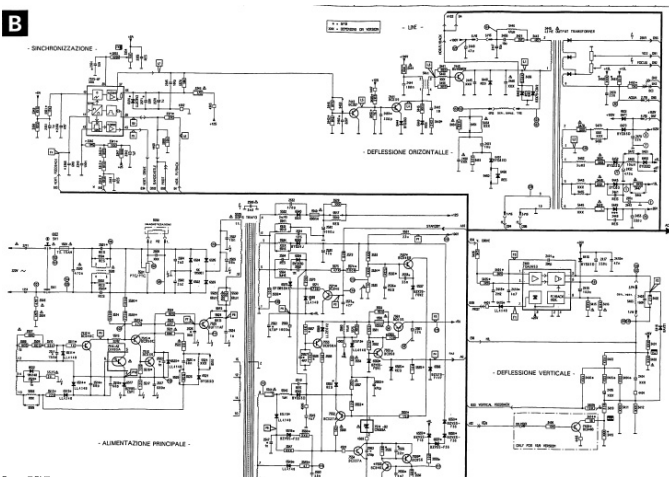


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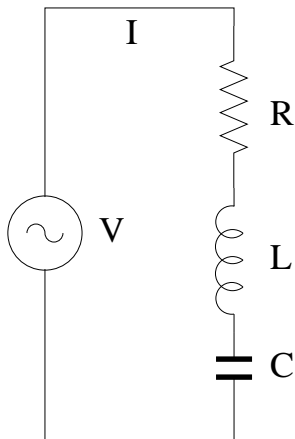
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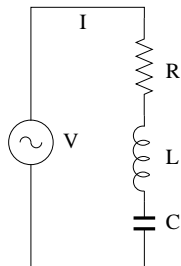
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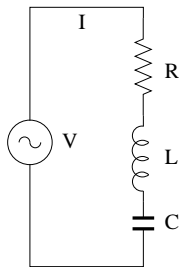
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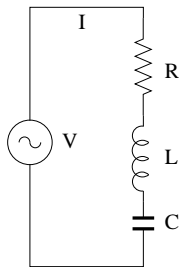


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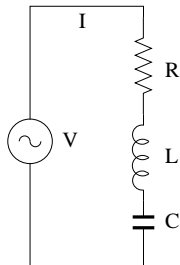
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- Continuous Mathematics
  - *Metric Spaces*
  - *Differential Calculus and Function Analysis*
  - *Linear Algebra*
  - *Differential Equations*
- Mathematical Logic
- ... *and much more!*

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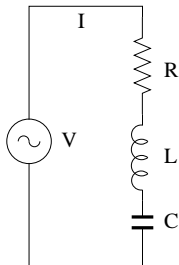
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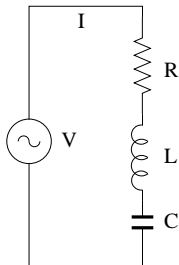
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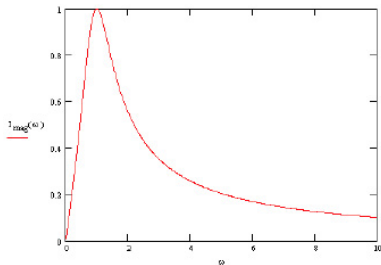
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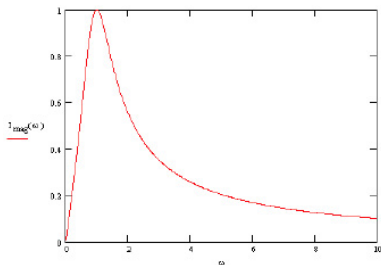
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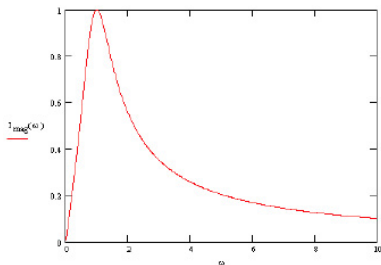
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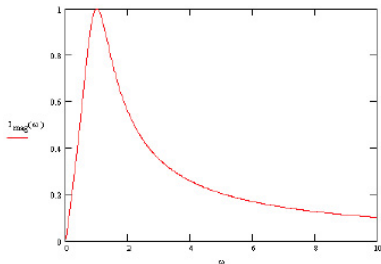
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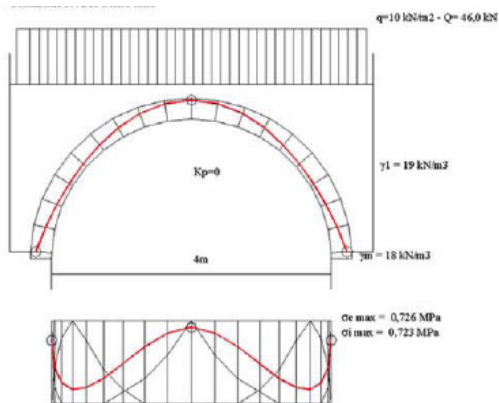
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Sample technical specification: Audio Power Amplifier

<b>Power output</b>	25 W rms per channel
<b>Load impedance</b>	8 ohms
<b>Total distortion</b>	< 0.08%
<b>Frequency response</b>	10 ÷ 50.000 Hz (+0.5 dB, -2 dB)
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- Here we focus on **concurrent** systems
  - **System**: composed of (very) many components
  - **Component**: performs (very) simple tasks (often sequential)
  - **Interaction**: complex; difficult to understand; non-deterministic; subtle (race conditions, synchronization issues, dead-/live-locks, etc.)

## *However notice that*

sound mathematical theories for non-concurrent, sequential (functional, imperative) programs exist

- the bulk of Computation Theory (Gödel, Turing, Church, etc)
- *formal semantics, e.g.*
  - Operational Semantics  
(based on abstract machines)
  - Denotational semantics  
(based on lattices, complete partial orders, fixpoint theory)
- *formal analysis, e.g.*
  - Hoare Logic
  - Cousot Abstract Interpretation

A  
Labelled Transition Systems  
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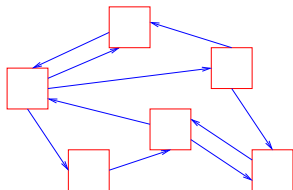
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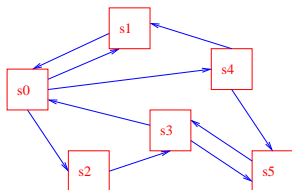
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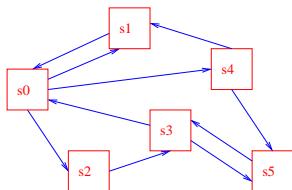




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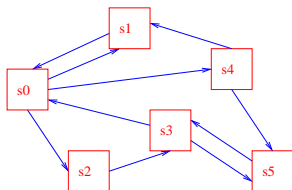


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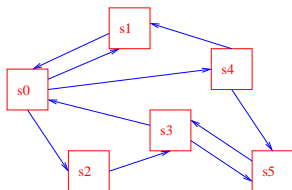


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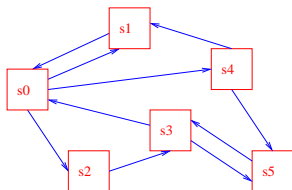


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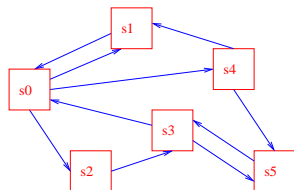


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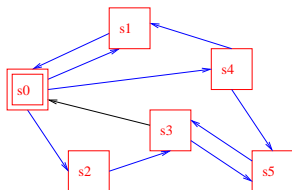


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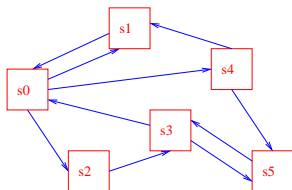


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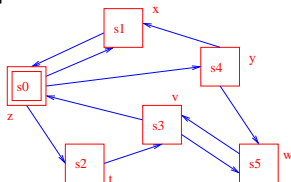
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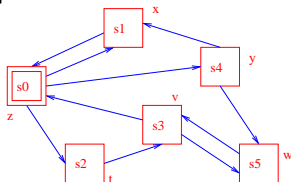
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# State Labelled-Transition Structures

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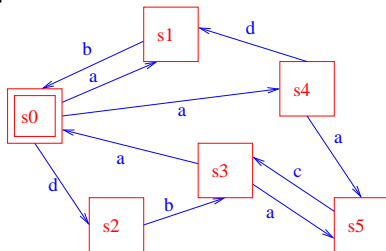
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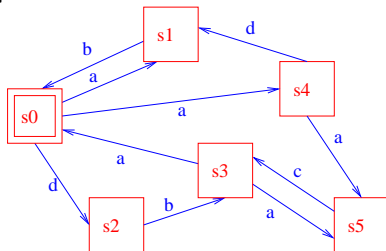


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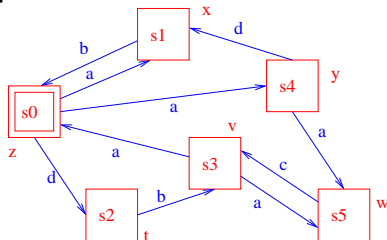
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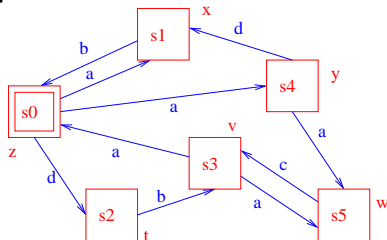
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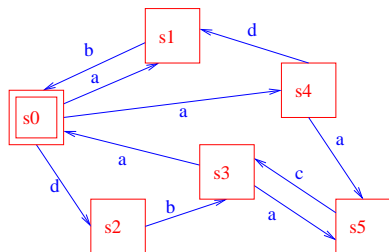


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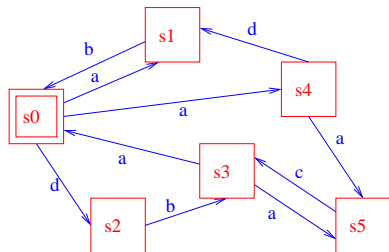
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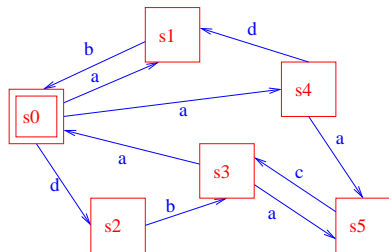
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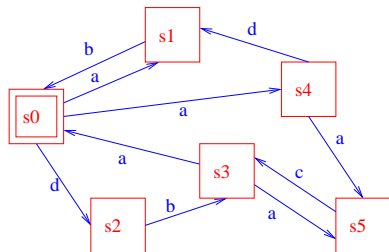
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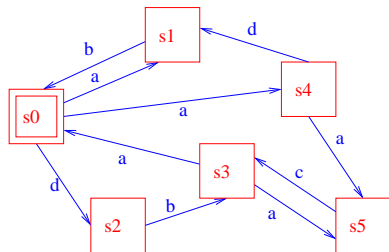


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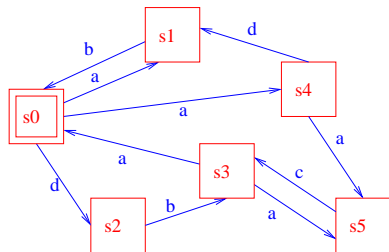
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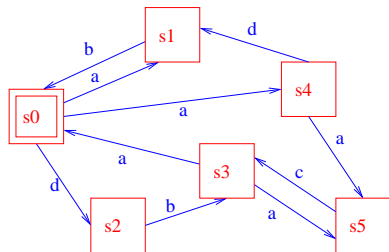
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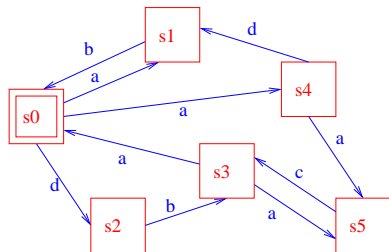
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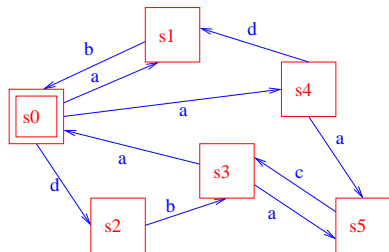
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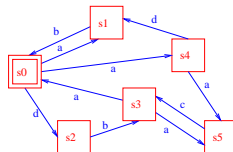
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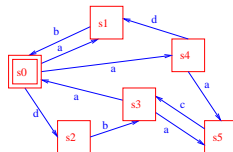
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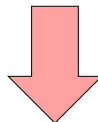
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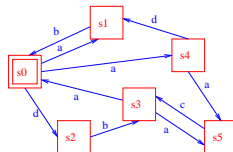


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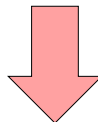


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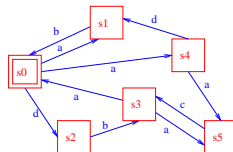
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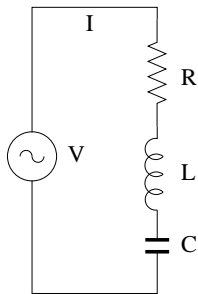
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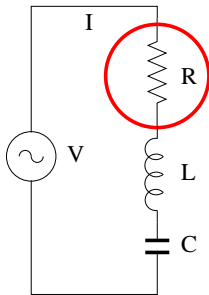
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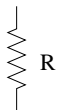
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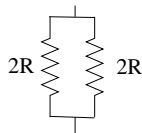
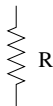


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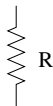




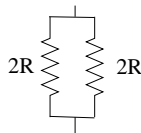
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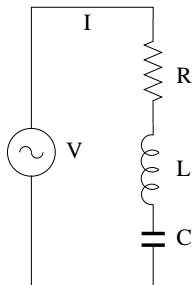


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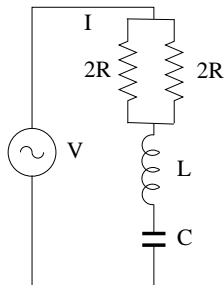
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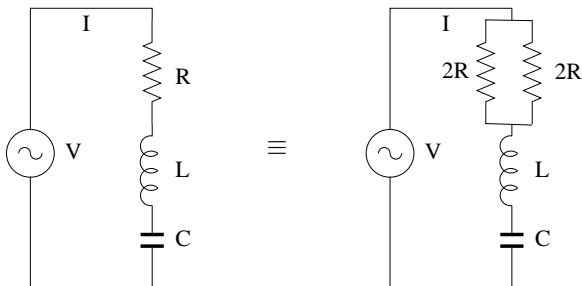
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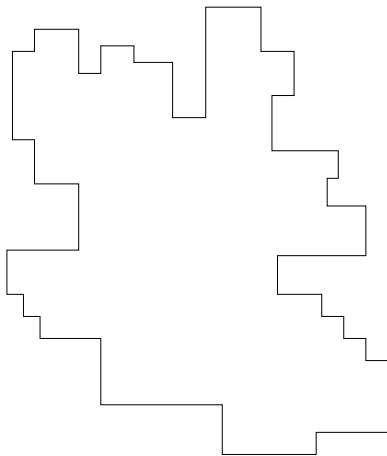
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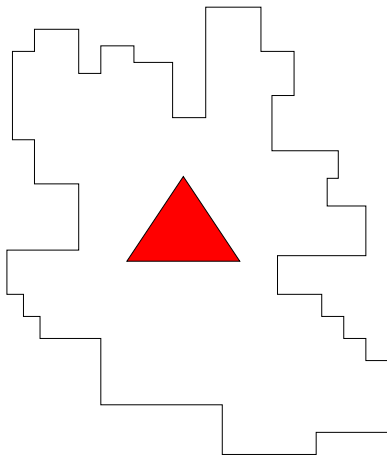
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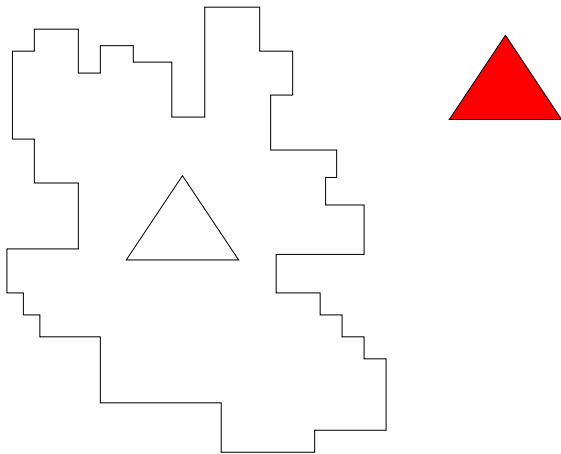
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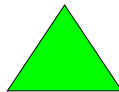
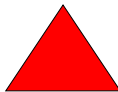
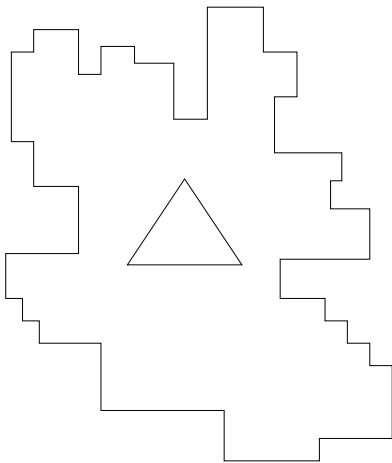
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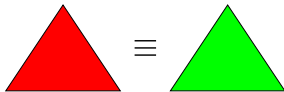
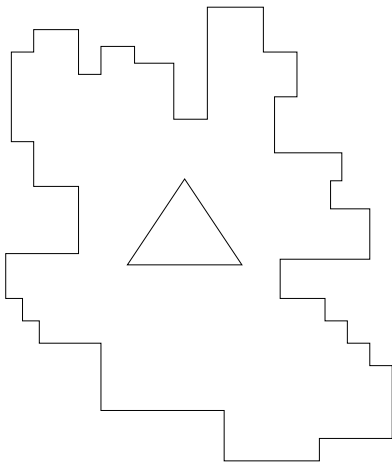
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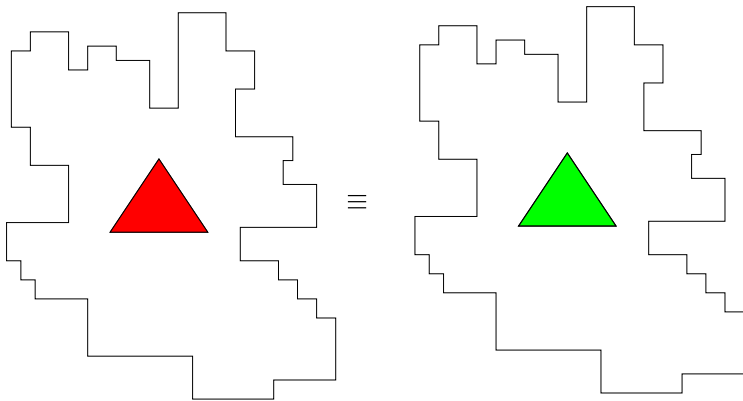
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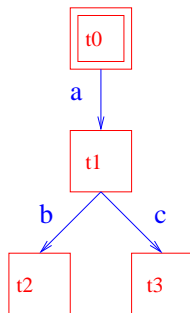
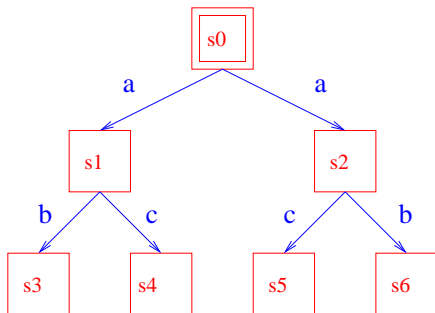
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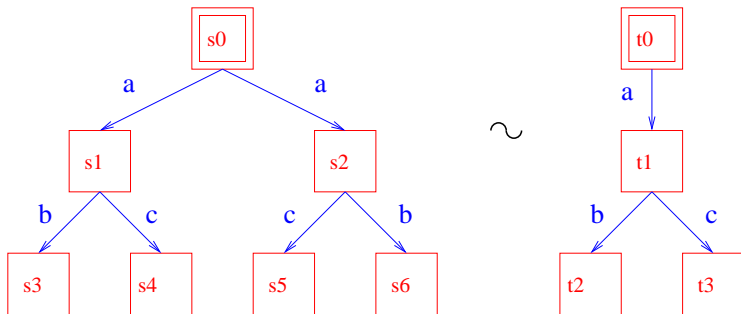
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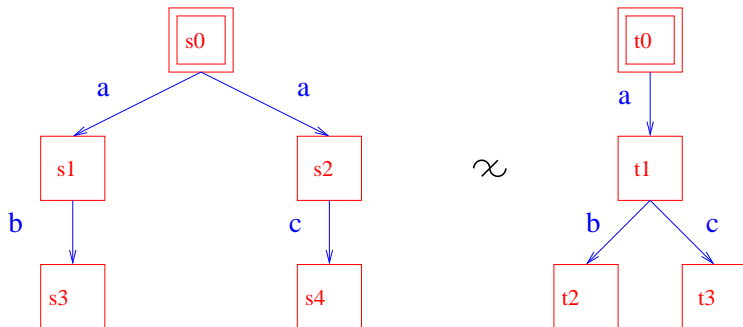
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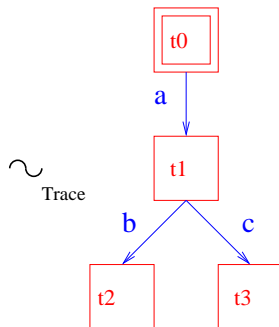
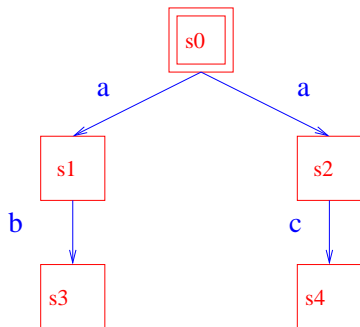
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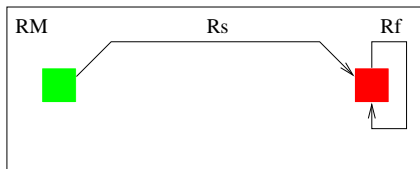
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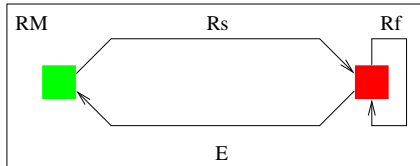
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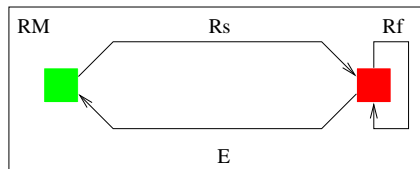
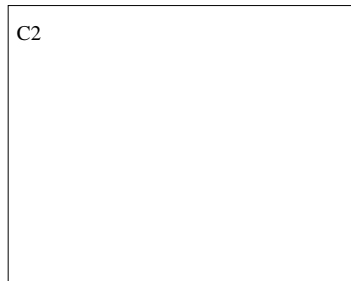
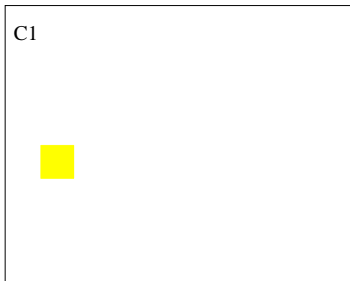
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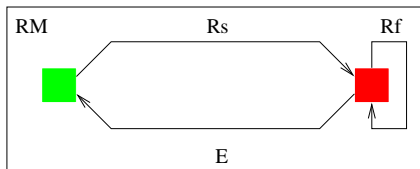
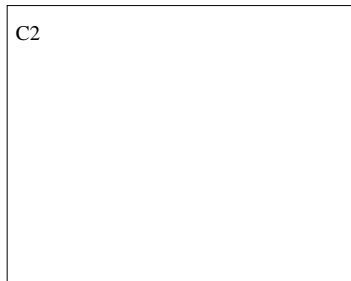
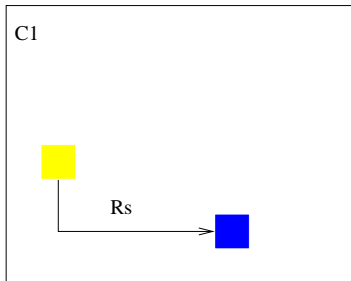
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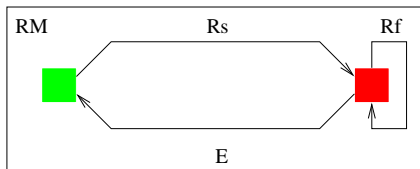
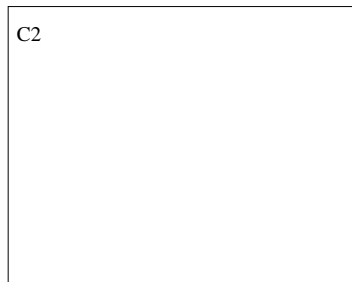
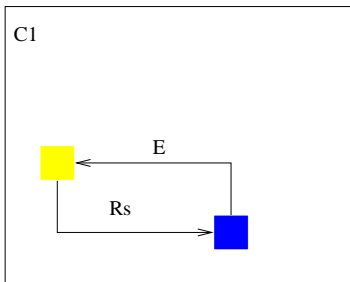
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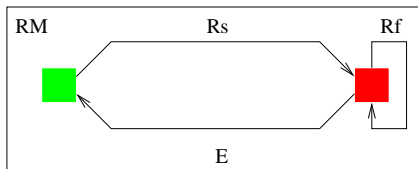
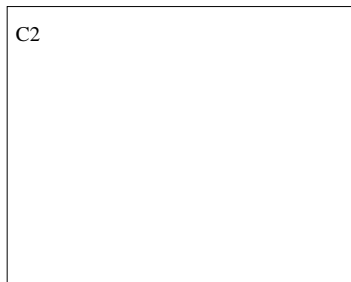
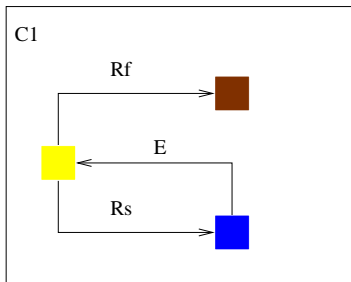
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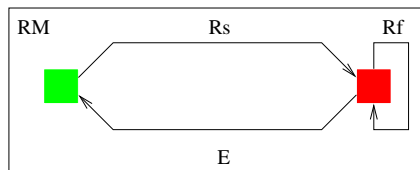
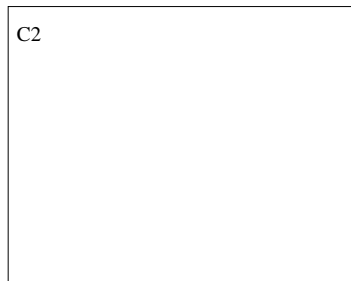
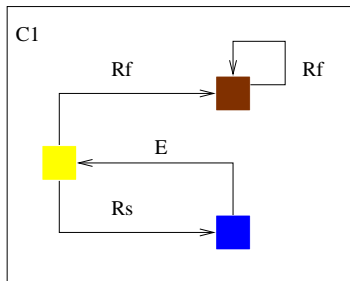
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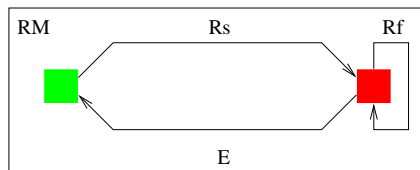
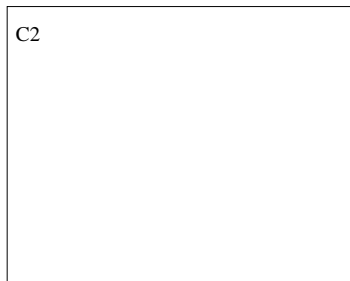
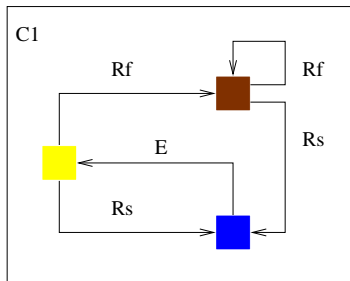


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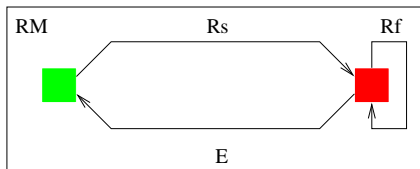
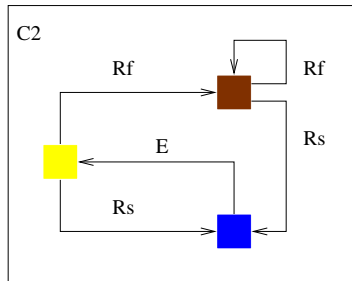
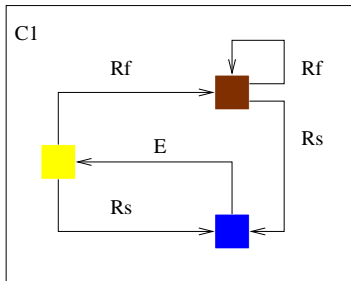




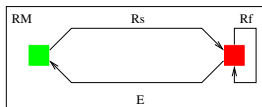
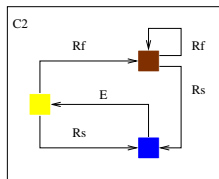
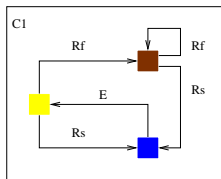
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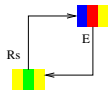
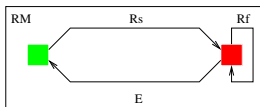
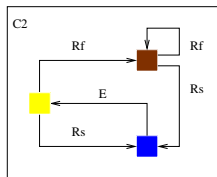
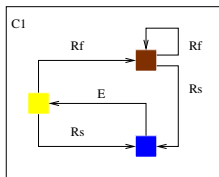
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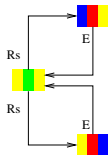
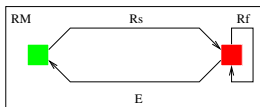
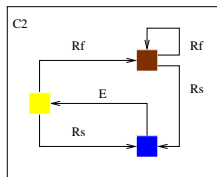
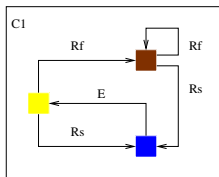
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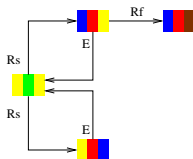
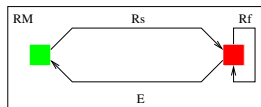
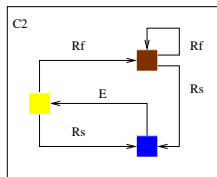
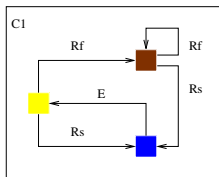
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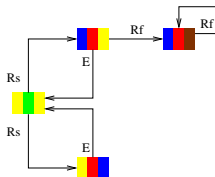
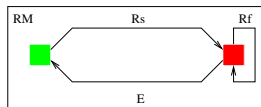
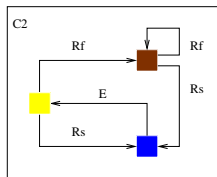
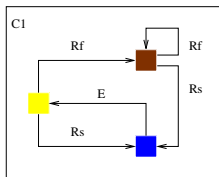
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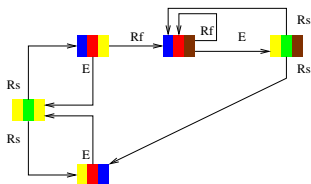
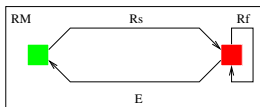
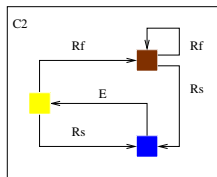
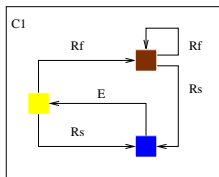
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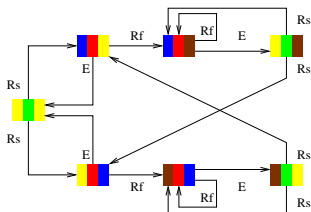
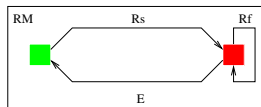
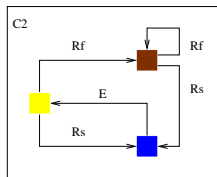
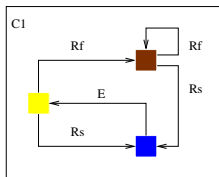


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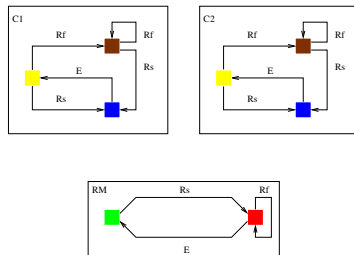




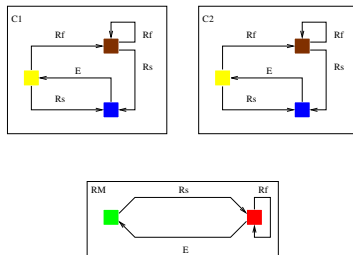
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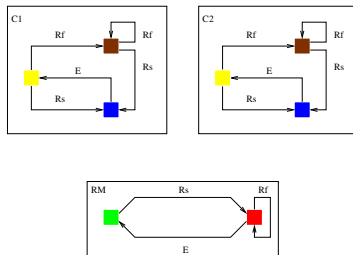


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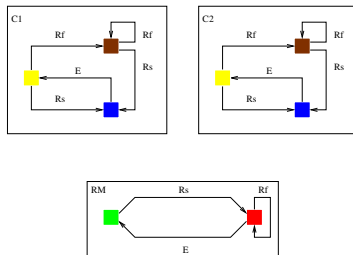
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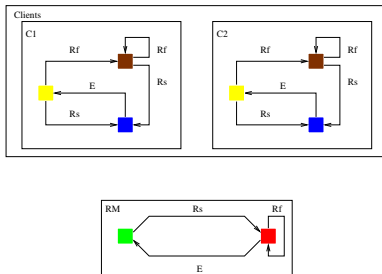
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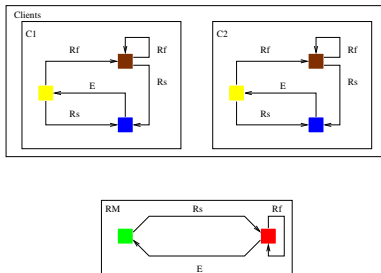
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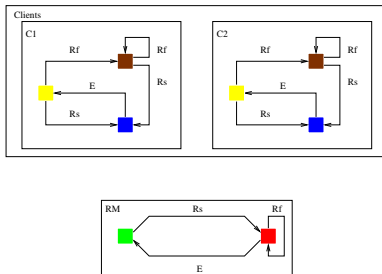
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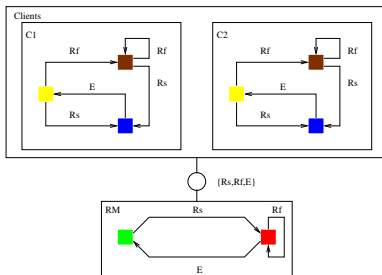
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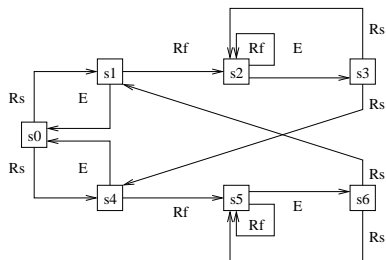
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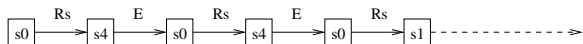
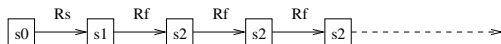
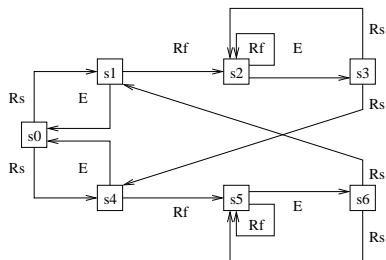
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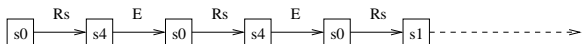
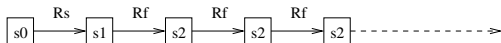
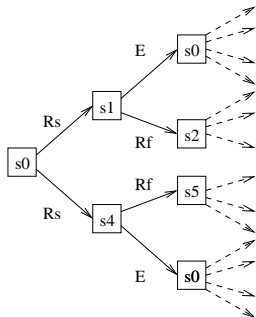
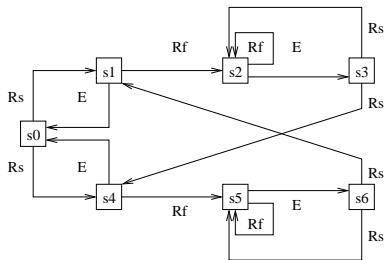


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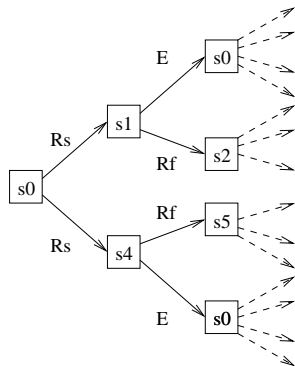
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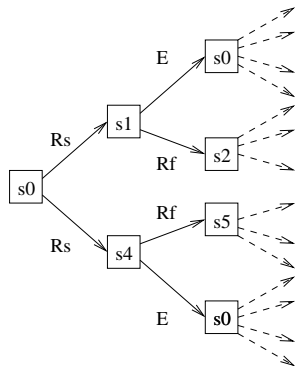
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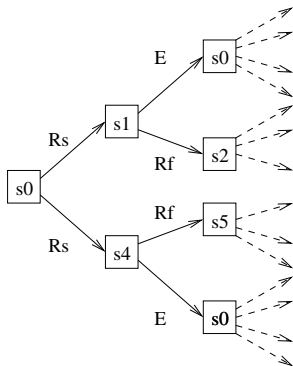
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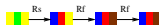
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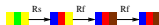
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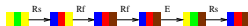
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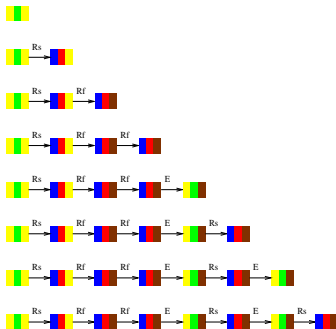
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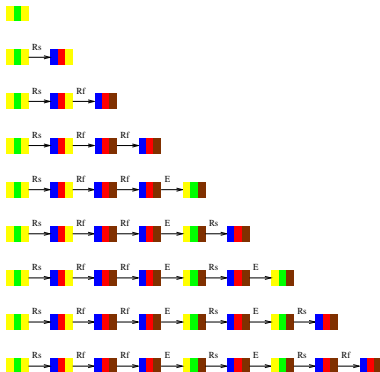
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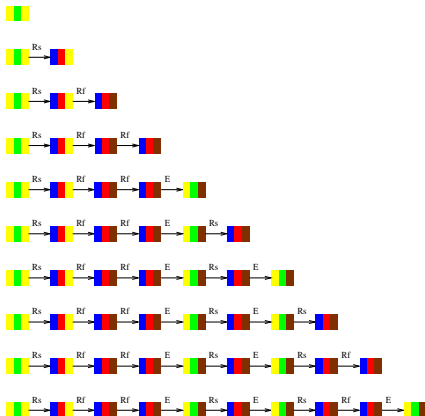
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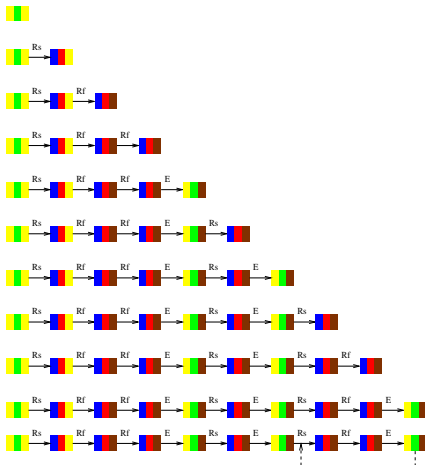
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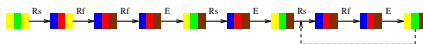
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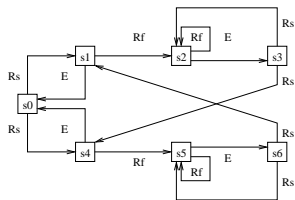
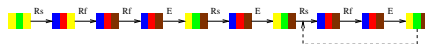
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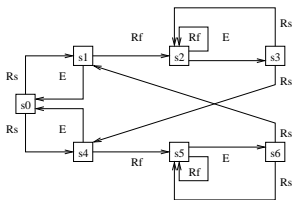
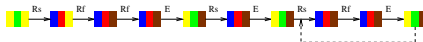
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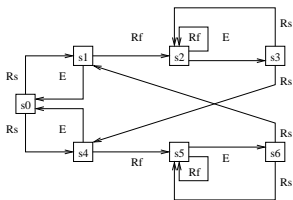
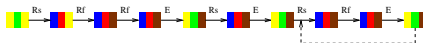


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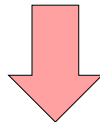
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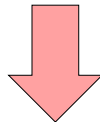


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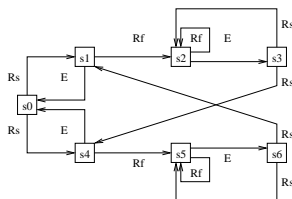
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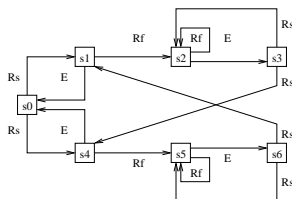


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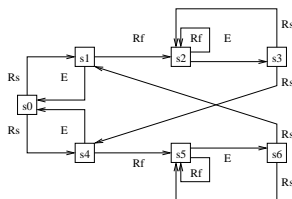


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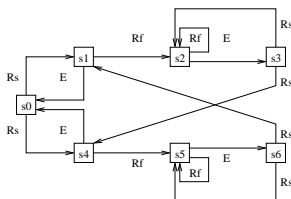


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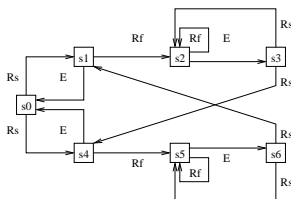
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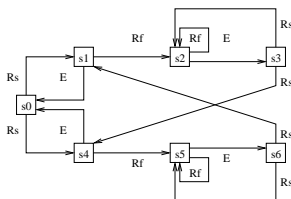


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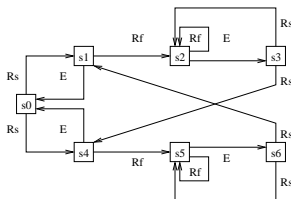
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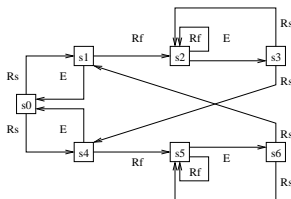


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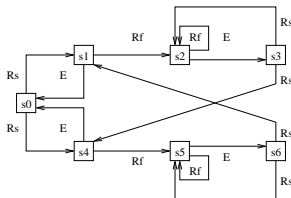


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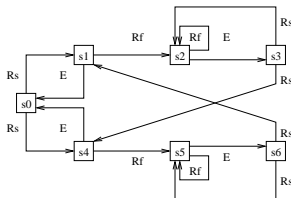


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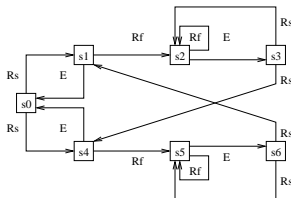


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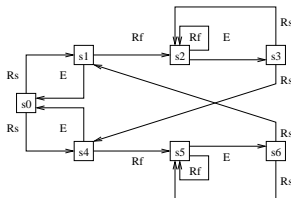


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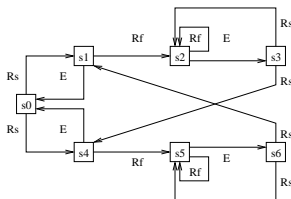
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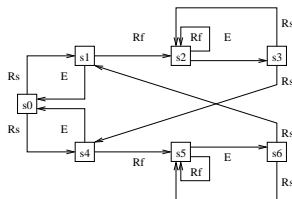
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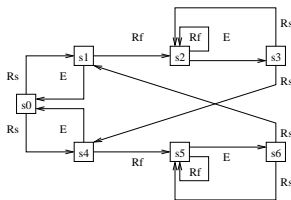


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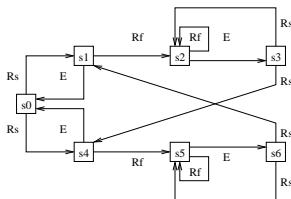
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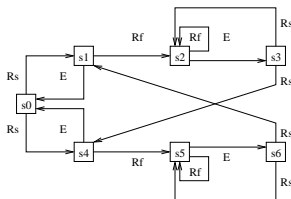
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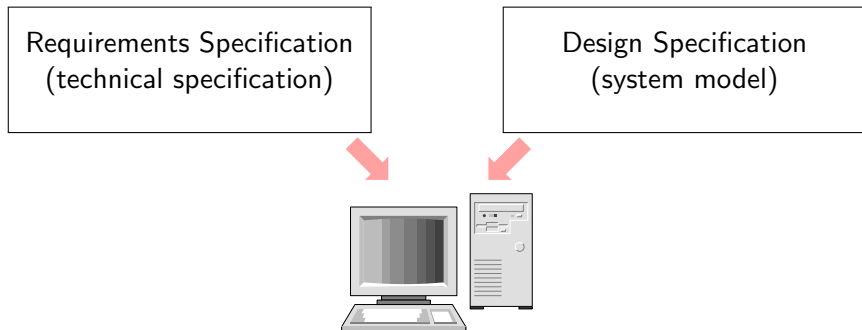
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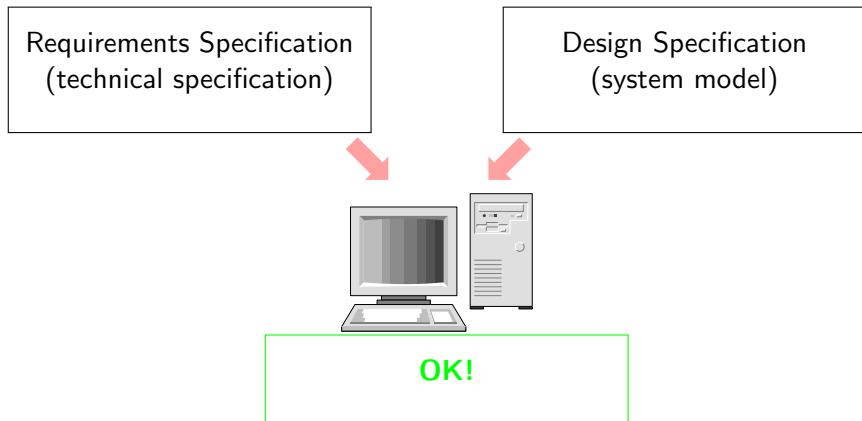
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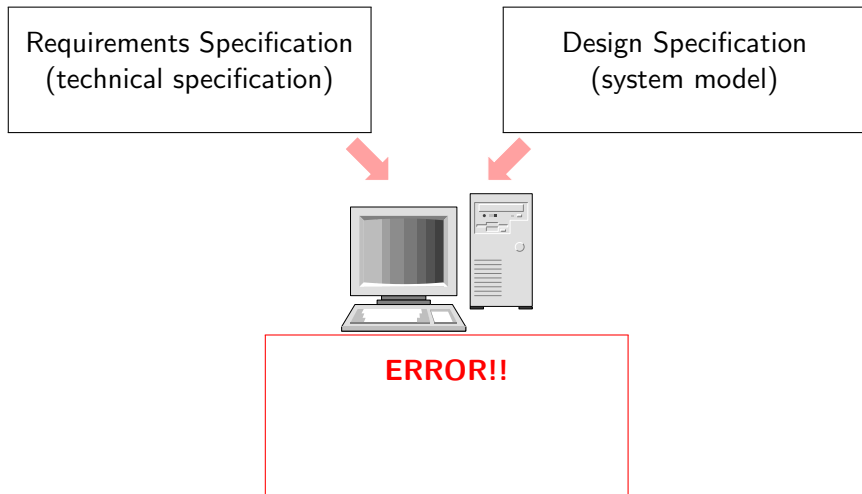




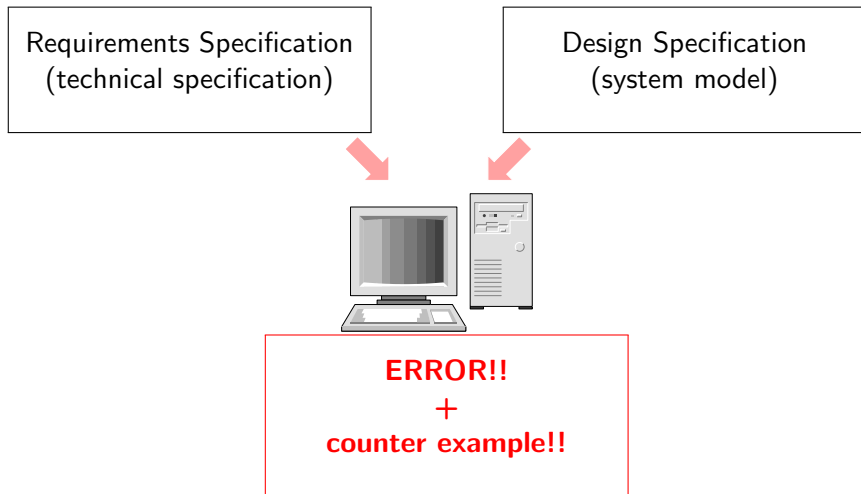
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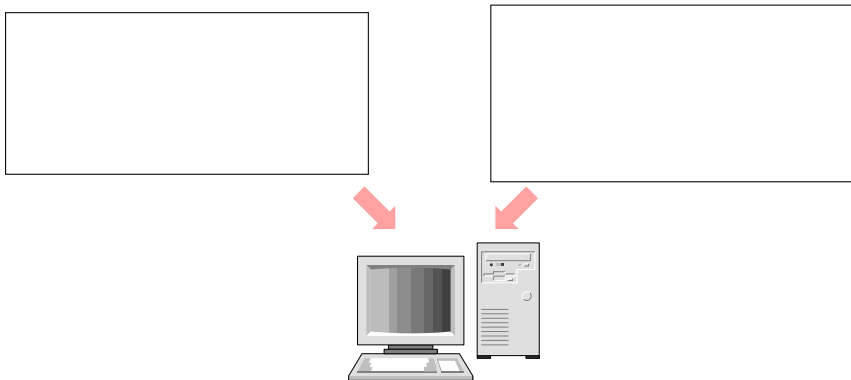
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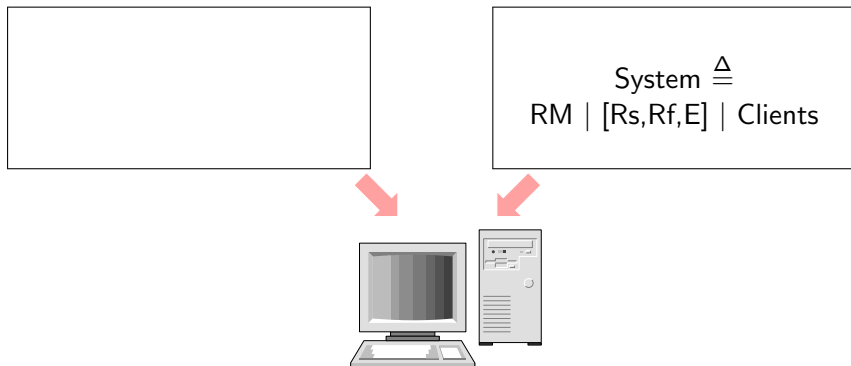
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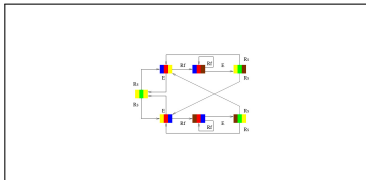
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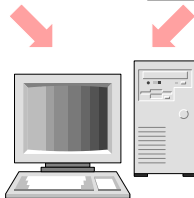
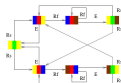
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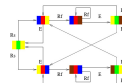
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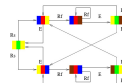
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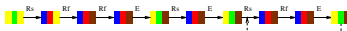
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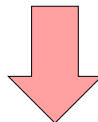
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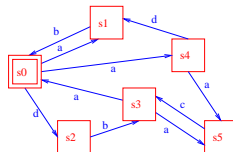
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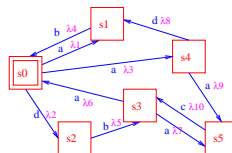
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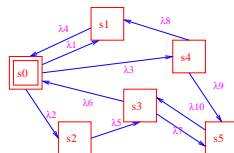


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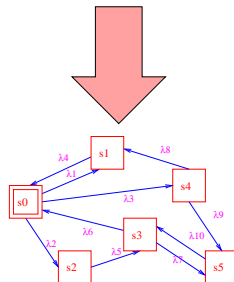


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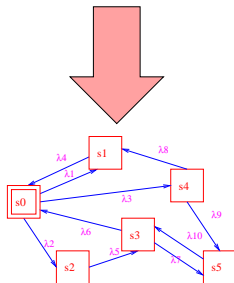
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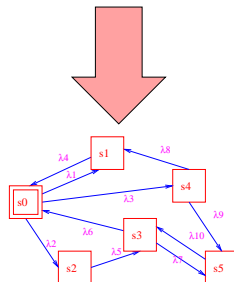
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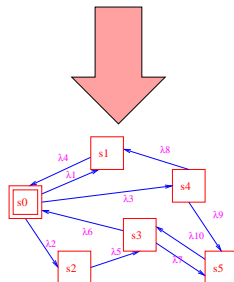
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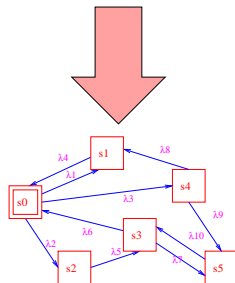
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