

# Simple Variants of Non-cooperative Polymorphic P Systems

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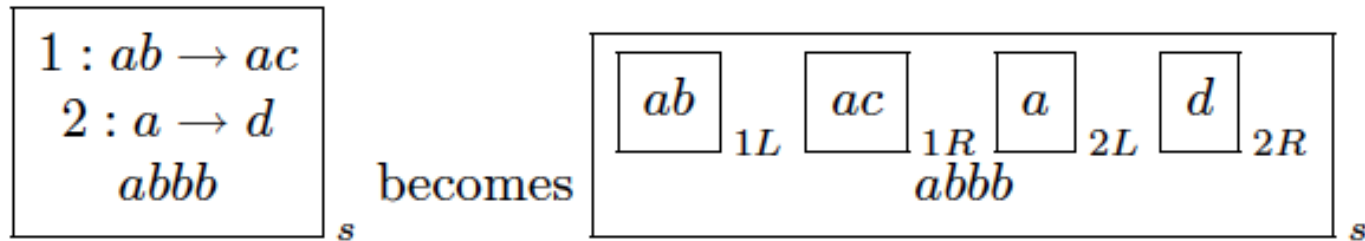


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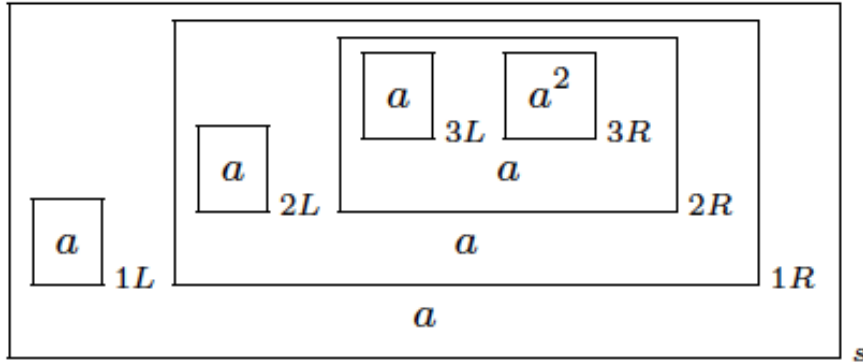


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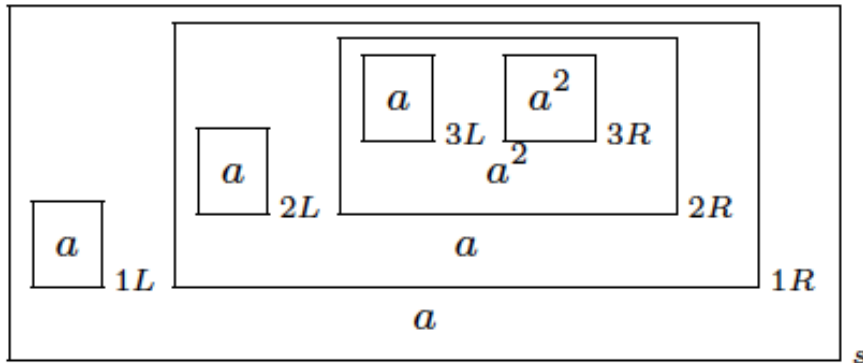
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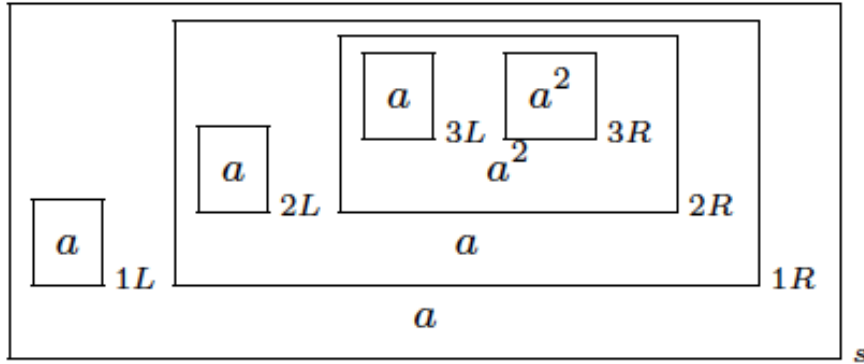
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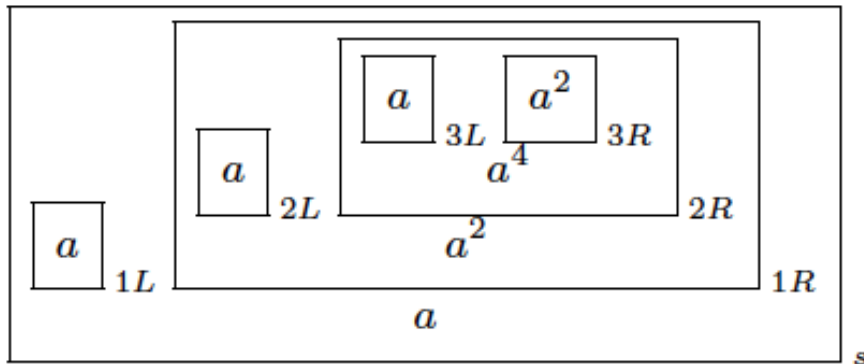
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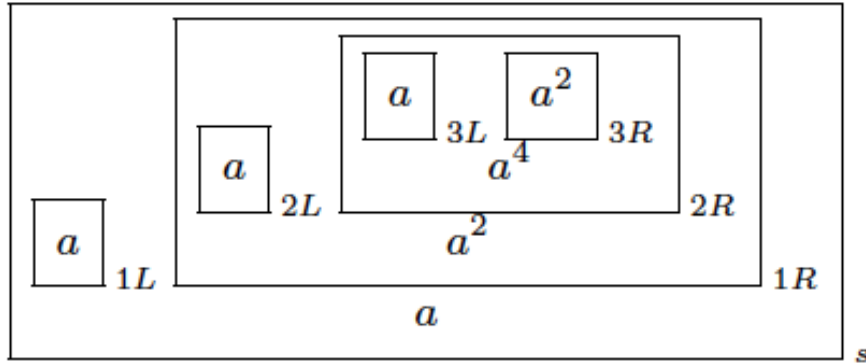
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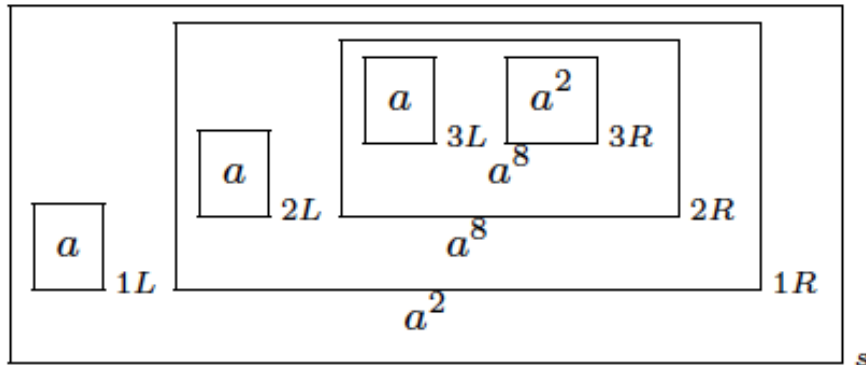
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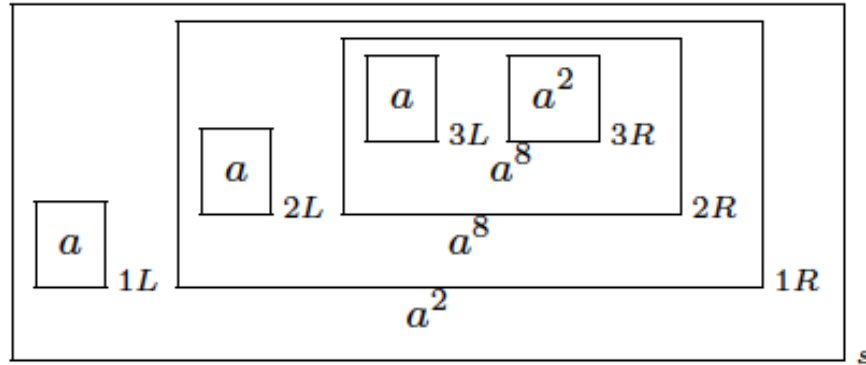


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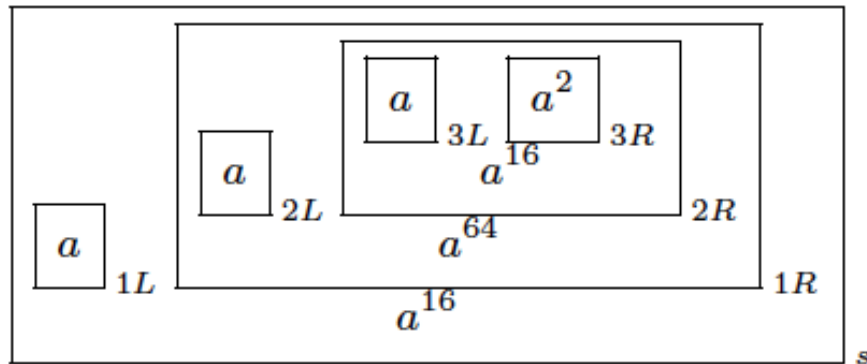




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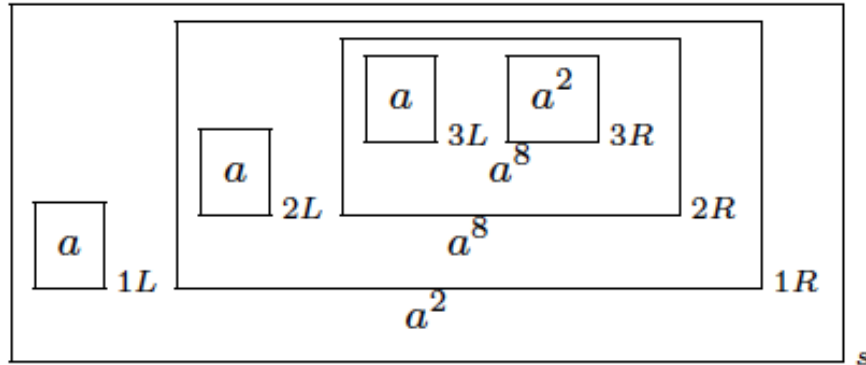
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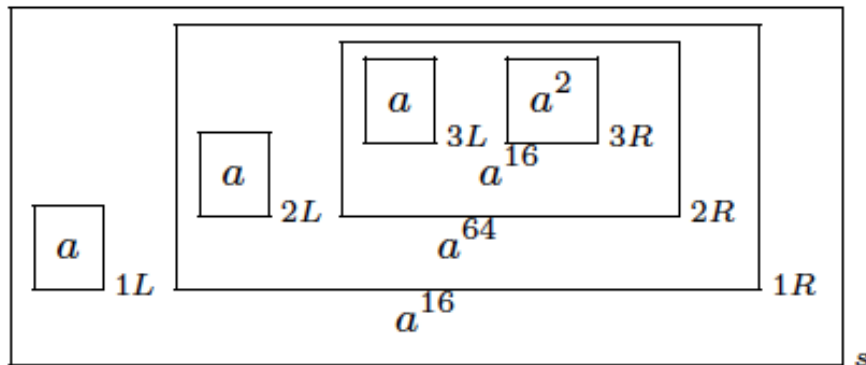
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$$(2, 2^n, 2^{n(n-1)/2}, 2^{n(n-1)(n-2)/6})$$



# Notation

$(D)OP_k(\text{polym}_{+d}(\text{coo}), \text{tar})$

$NO P_k(\text{polym}_{+d}(\text{coo}), \text{tar}), PsOP_k(\text{polym}_{+d}(\text{coo}), \text{tar}),$

- Numbers, vectors
- The number of regions
- Rule “disabling”
- Cooperating, non-cooperating rules
- Target indicators
- ....



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**Theorem 2.** *There exist*

- *A strongly universal P system from  $OP_{47}(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{coo}))$ ;*
- *A P system  $\Pi_1 \in DOP_7(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{ncoo}))$  with a superexponential growth;*
- *A P system  $\Pi_2 \in OP_{13}(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{ncoo}), \text{tar})$  such that  $N(\Pi_2) = \{n! \cdot n^k \mid n \geq 1, k \geq 0\}$  and the time complexity of generating  $n! \cdot n^k$  is  $n + k + 1$ ;*
- *A P system  $\Pi_3 \in OP_9(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{coo}), \text{tar})$  such that  $N(\Pi_3) = \{n! \mid n \geq 1\}$  and the time complexity of generating  $n!$  is  $n + 1$ ;*
- *A P system  $\Pi_4 \in OP_{15}(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{ncoo}), \text{tar})$  such that  $N(\Pi_4) = \{2^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0\}$  and the time complexity of generating  $2^{2^n}$  is  $3n + 2$ ;*
- *A P system  $\Pi'_5 \in DOP_*(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{coo}), \text{tar})$  such that  $f(\Pi_5) = (n \rightarrow 2^{2^n})$  and the time complexity of computing  $n \rightarrow 2^{2^n}$  is  $O(n)$ ;*
- *A P system  $\Pi_6 \in DOP_*(\text{polym}_{-d}(\text{coo}), \text{tar})$  such that  $N_d(\Pi_6) = \{n! \mid n \geq 1\}$  and the complexity of deciding any number  $k$ ,  $k \leq n!$  does not exceed  $4n$ .*

*Moreover, polymorphic P systems can grow faster than any non-polymorphic P systems, whereas even non-cooperative polymorphic P systems with targets can grow faster than any polymorphic P systems without targets.*



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What is “no ingredients”?

# Variants of non-cooperativity

- **Strong non-cooperative** systems: left membranes contain at most one symbol
- **Weak non-cooperative systems**: all rules which are actually applied have one symbol on their left-hand side

**Theorem 2.**  $NOP_*(polym_{+d}(ncoo_w)) = NOP_*(polym_{+d}(ncoo_s))$ .



# Rule disabling doesn't matter

**Proposition 1.**  $NOP_*(polym_{-d}(ncoo)) = NOP_*(polym_{+d}(ncoo)).$



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# Left polymorphism

- In general, as a consequence of certain lemmas: left membranes with “static rules” are sufficient
- Left polymorphic systems are more powerful than conventional transition P systems, but they cannot generate everything:

**Proposition 2.**  $L_{2^n} = \{2^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \in \text{NOP}_*(\text{lpoly}(n\text{coo}))$ .

**Proposition 3.**  $L_{n!} = \{n! \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \notin \text{NOP}_*(\text{lpoly}_{+d}(n\text{coo}))$ .



# A depth-based hierarchy

**Theorem 4.**  $L_{d+1} = \{2^{(d-1)} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, n > d\} \notin NOP_*^d(\text{polym}(n\text{coo})), d > 1.$

**Corollary 3.**  $NOP_*^d(\text{polym}(n\text{coo})) \subsetneq NOP_*^{d+1}(\text{polym}(n\text{coo})).$

As a consequence for left polymorphic systems:

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(since for left polymorphic systems, depth 3 is sufficient to reach their maximal power)



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# Non-cooperative polymorphic P systems with limited depth

Theorem:  $PsET0L \subseteq \mathcal{L}(NOP^3(\text{polym}, \text{ncoo}))$ .



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# Proof idea – an example

The ETOL system:

$$G = (V, T, U, w)$$

$$V = T = \{a_1, a_2\},$$

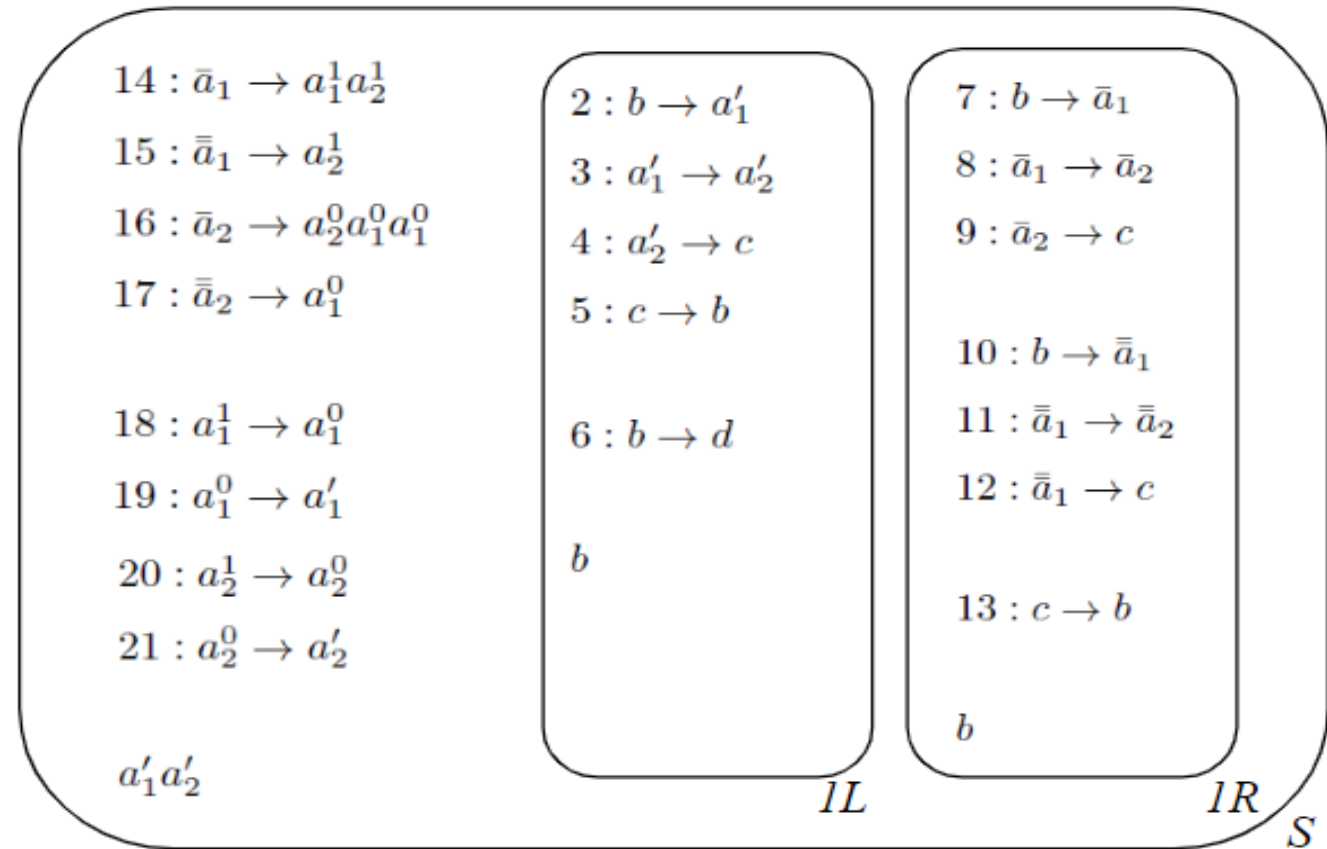
$$w = a_1 a_2,$$

$$U = (P_1, P_2),$$

$$P_1 = \{a_1 \rightarrow a_1 a_2, a_2 \rightarrow a_2 a_1 a_1\}$$

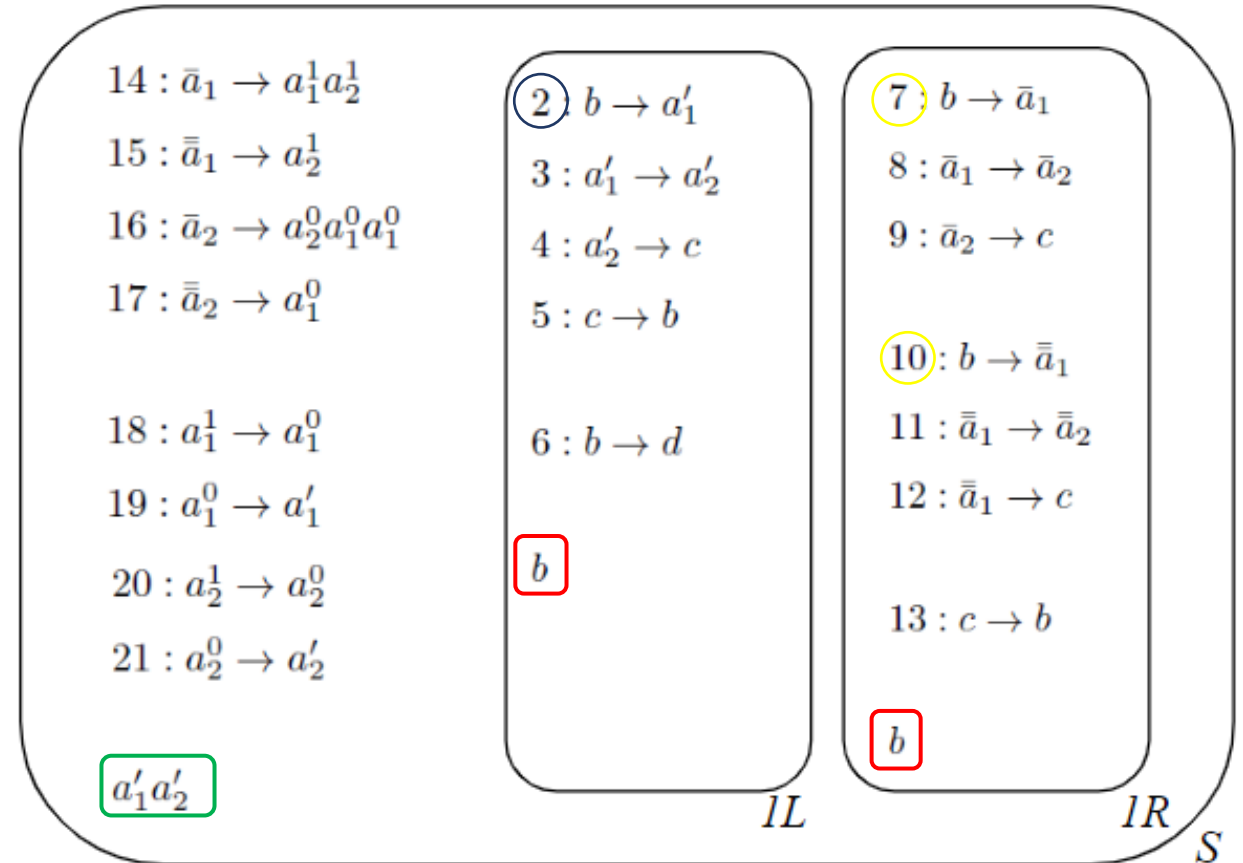
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The membrane system:



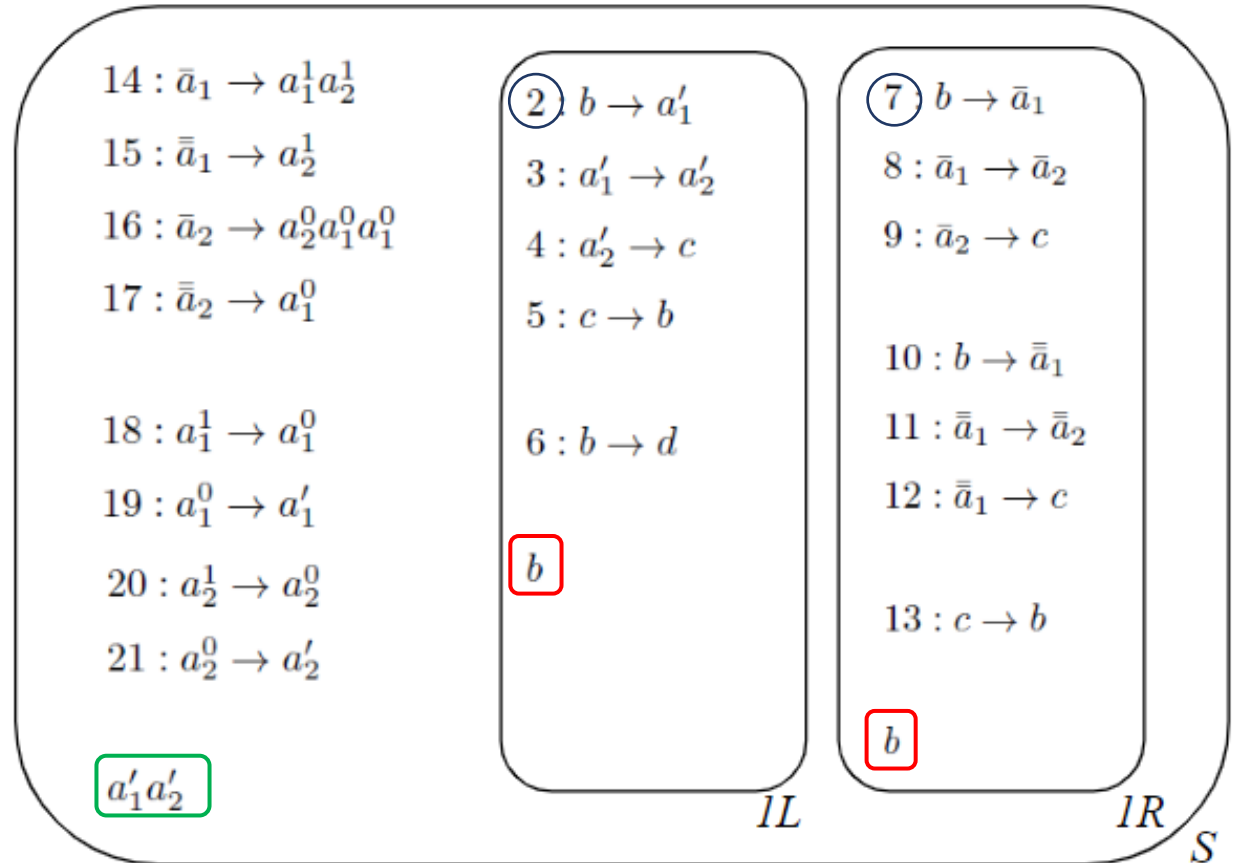
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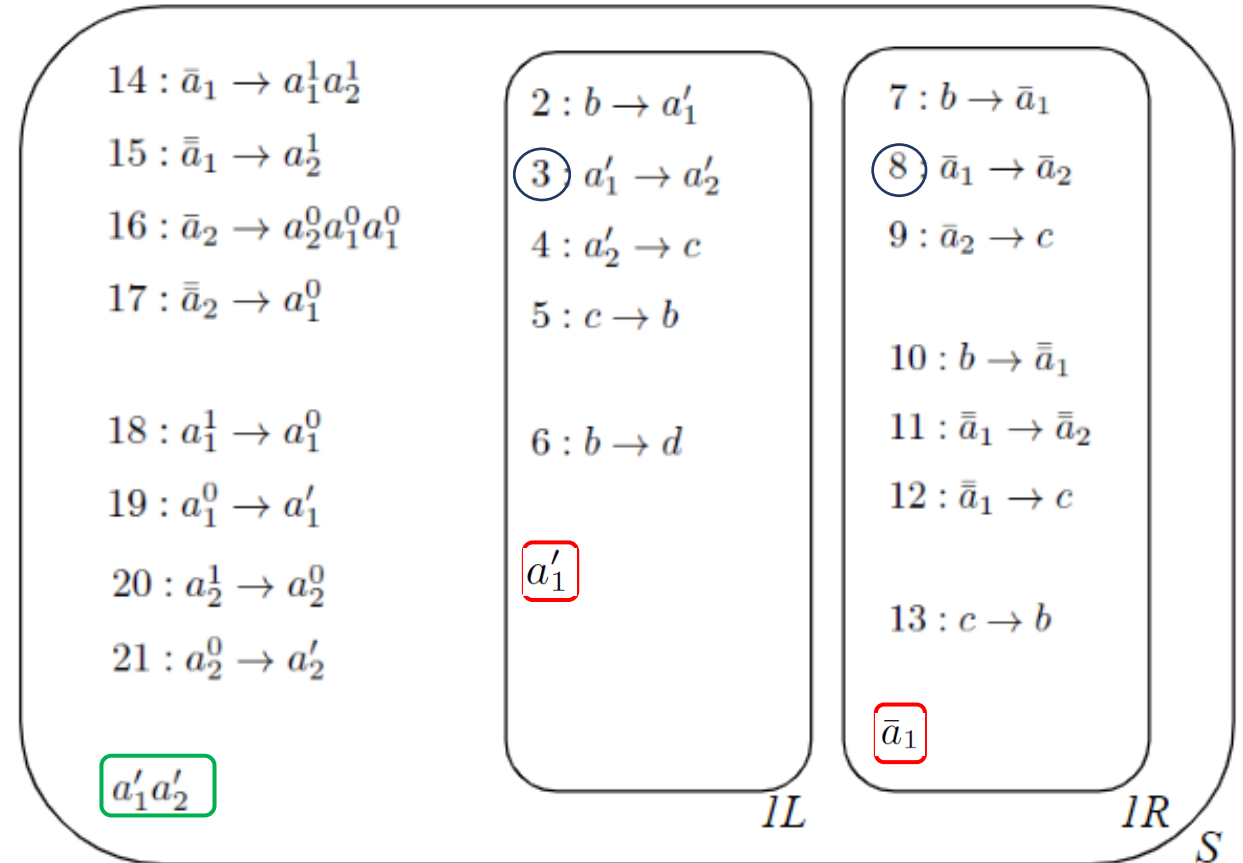
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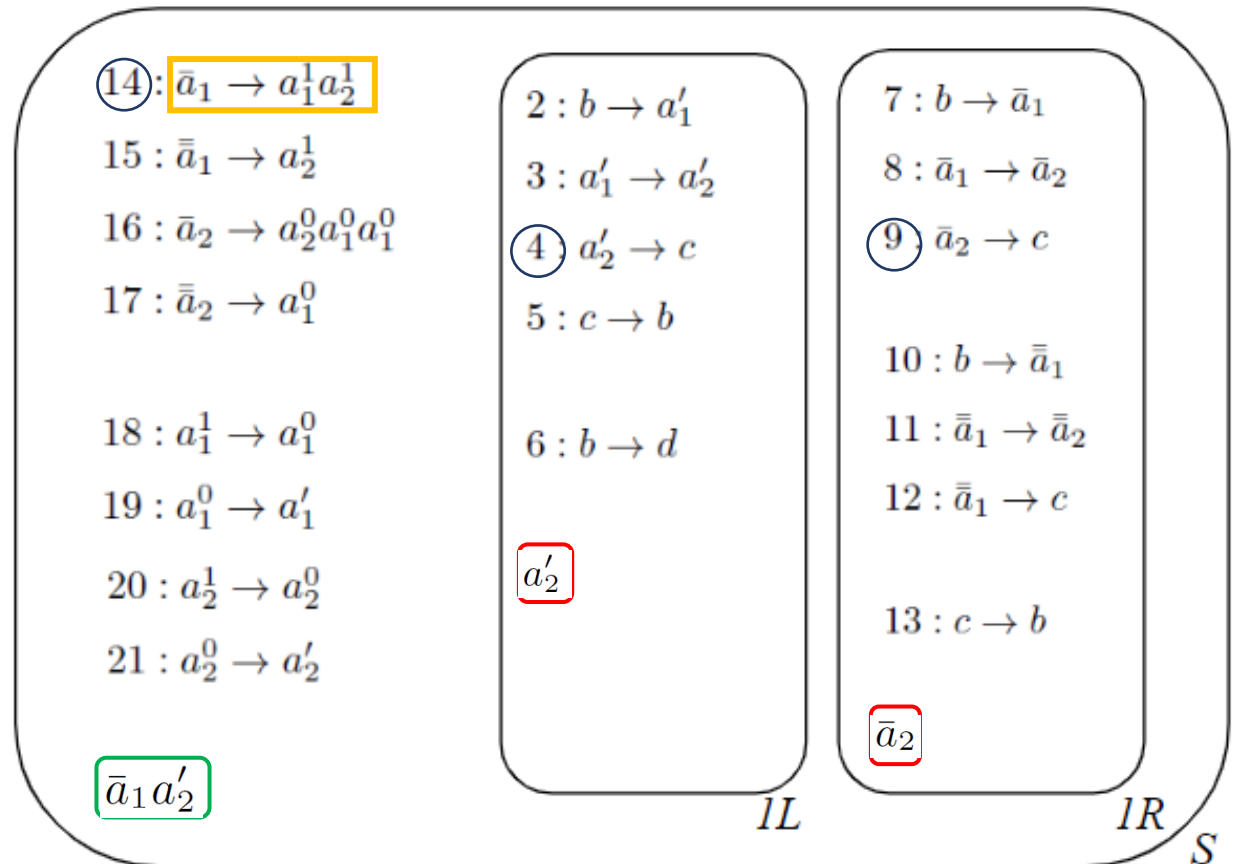
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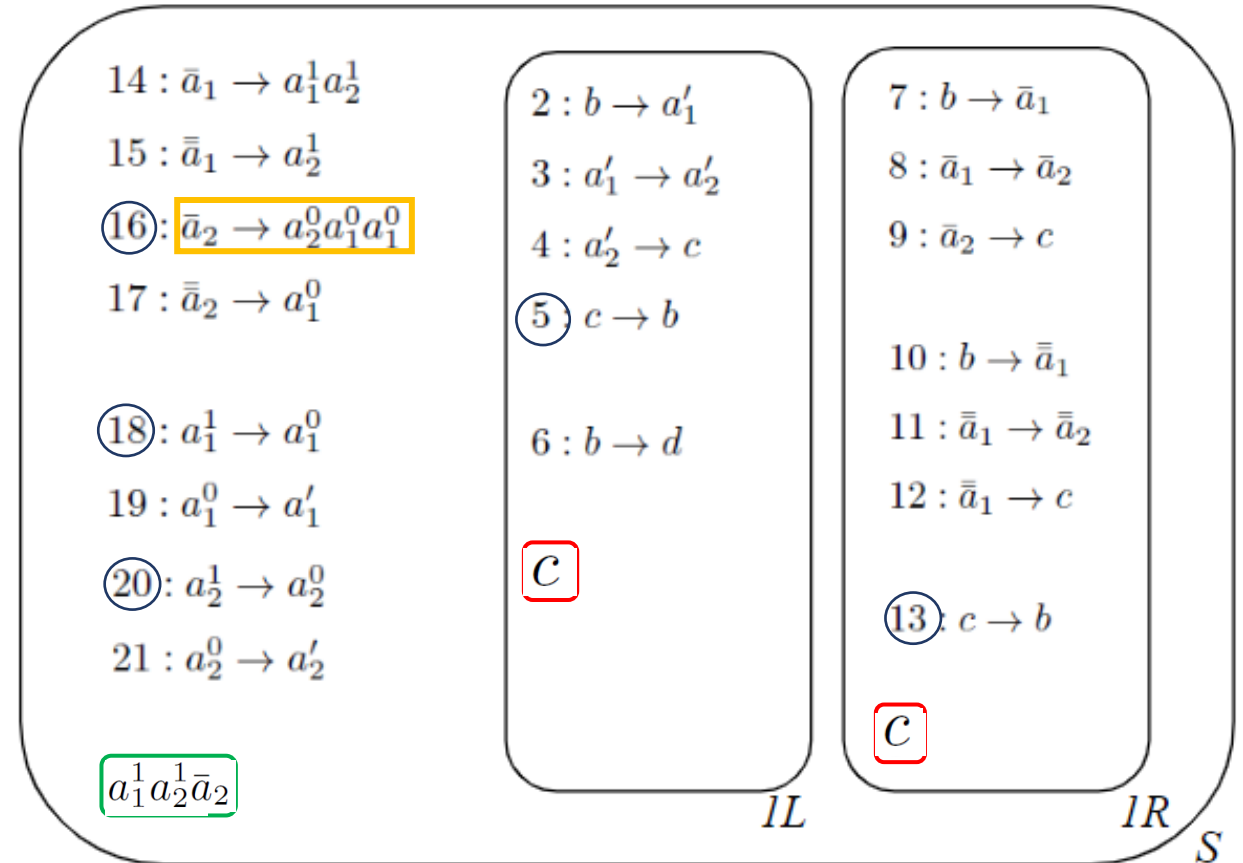
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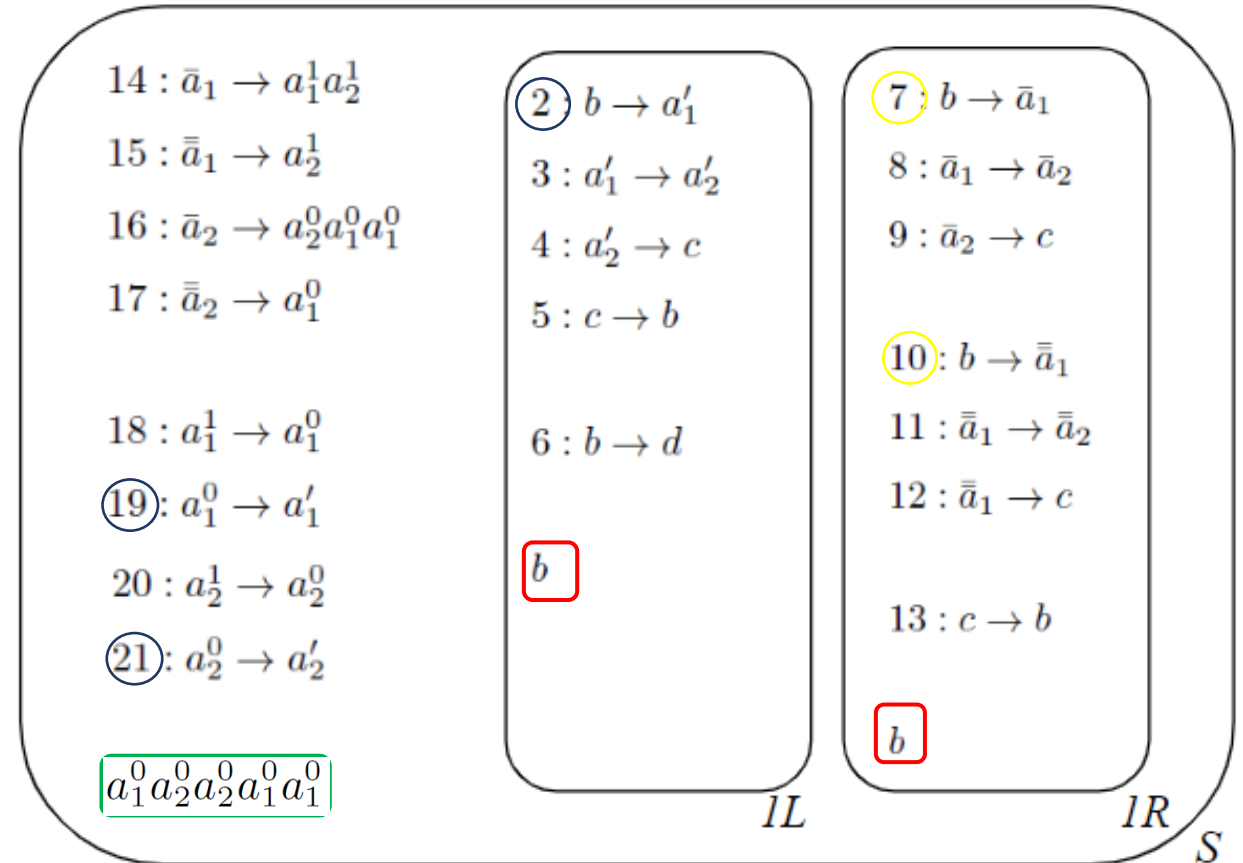
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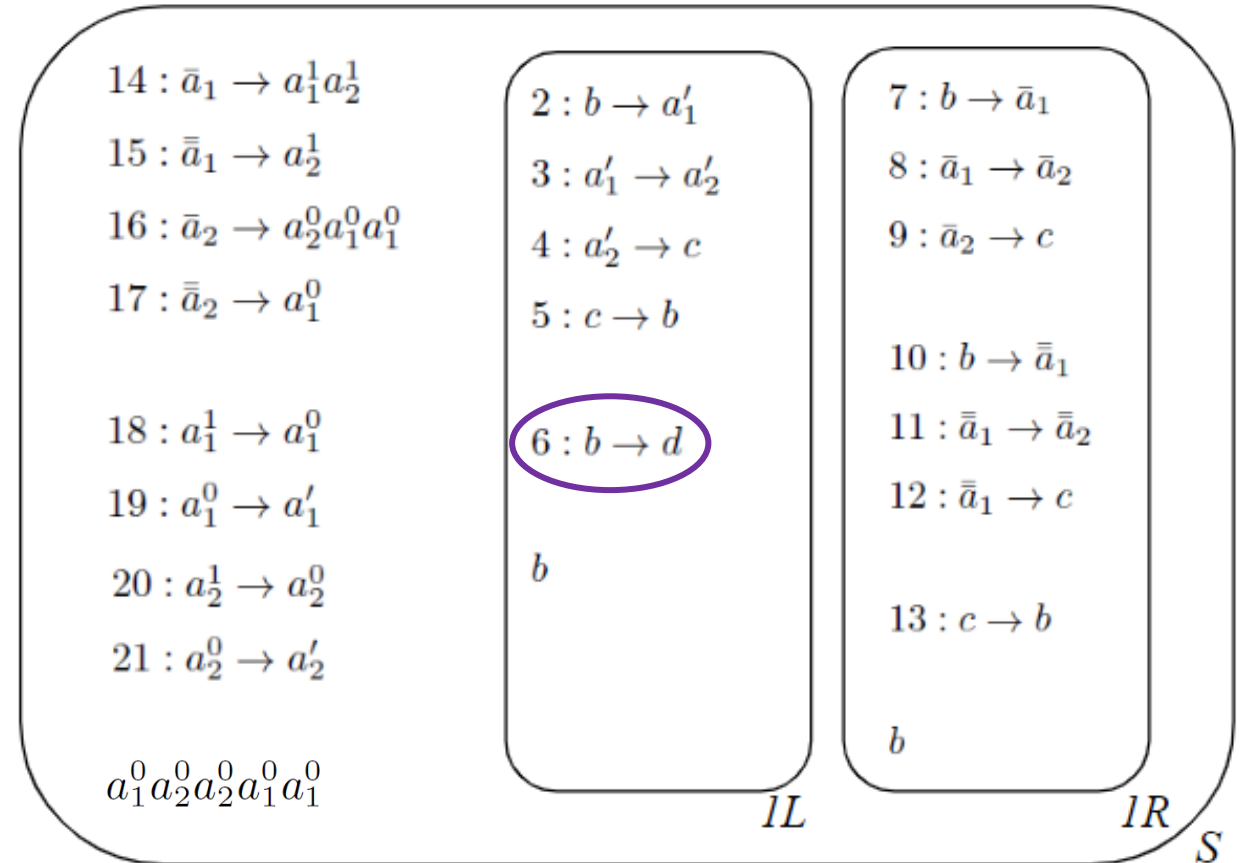
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# Systems with finite sets of instances of dynamic rules

- **Non-cooperative** rules → Left-membranes have **finitely many** possible **membrane contents** in any computation  
→ left-membranes are always “**finitely representable**”
- What about “finitely representable” **right-membranes**?



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# Finite representability

$$\Pi = (O, T, \mu, w_s, \langle w_{1L}, w_{1R} \rangle, \dots, \langle w_{nL}, w_{nR} \rangle, h_o)$$

- If  $w_h$  is the contents of **region  $h$**  after the  **$j$ -th step** of a computation, and  $w'_h$  can be obtained from  $w_h$  in the **next computational step**:

$$w'_h \in \sigma_{j,h}(w_h)$$

- and  $\sigma_{j,h}^0(w_h) = w_h$ ,  
 $\sigma_{j,h}^{k+1} = \sigma_{j+k,h}(\sigma_{j,h}^k(w_h))$  (set of contents obtainable in  $k+1$  steps)

- $\sigma_{j,h}^* = \bigcup_{k \geq 0} \sigma_{j,h}^k(w_h)$



# Finite representability

Region  $h$  is **FIN-representable** if the **set of successor multisets** of the initial contents  $w_h$  of region  $h$  is **finite**.

→ if  $\sigma_{0,h}^*(w_h)$  is finite

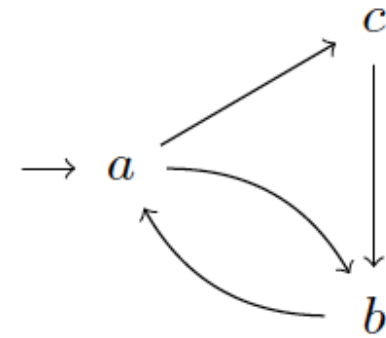
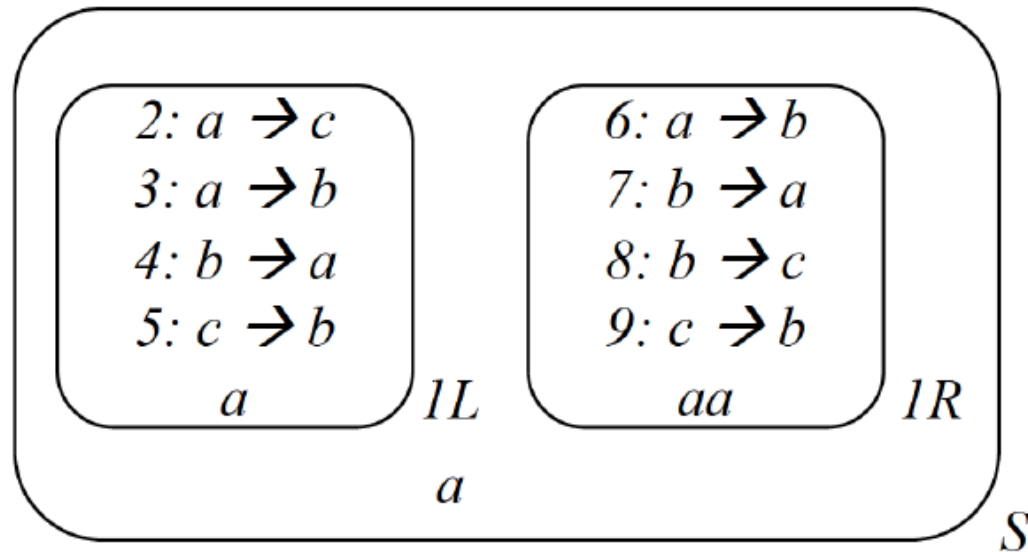


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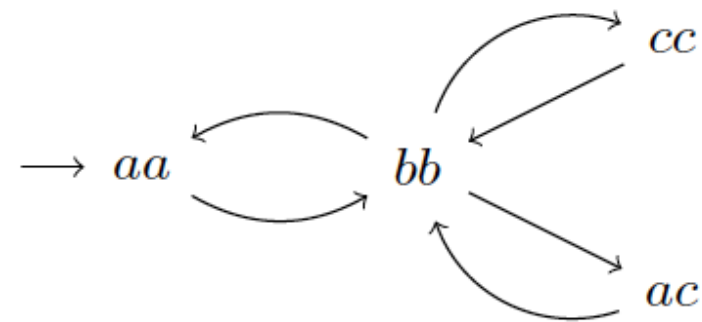




# FIN-representability, an example



$$\sigma_{0,1L}^*(a) = \{a, b, c\}$$



$$\sigma_{0,1R}^*(aa) = \{aa, bb, cc, ac\}$$



# A characterization of $PsETOL$

Theorem:  $\mathcal{L}(NOP(polym, ncoo, fin)) \subseteq PsETOL$ .

Corollary:  $\mathcal{L}(NOP(polym, ncoo, fin)) = PsETOL$ .



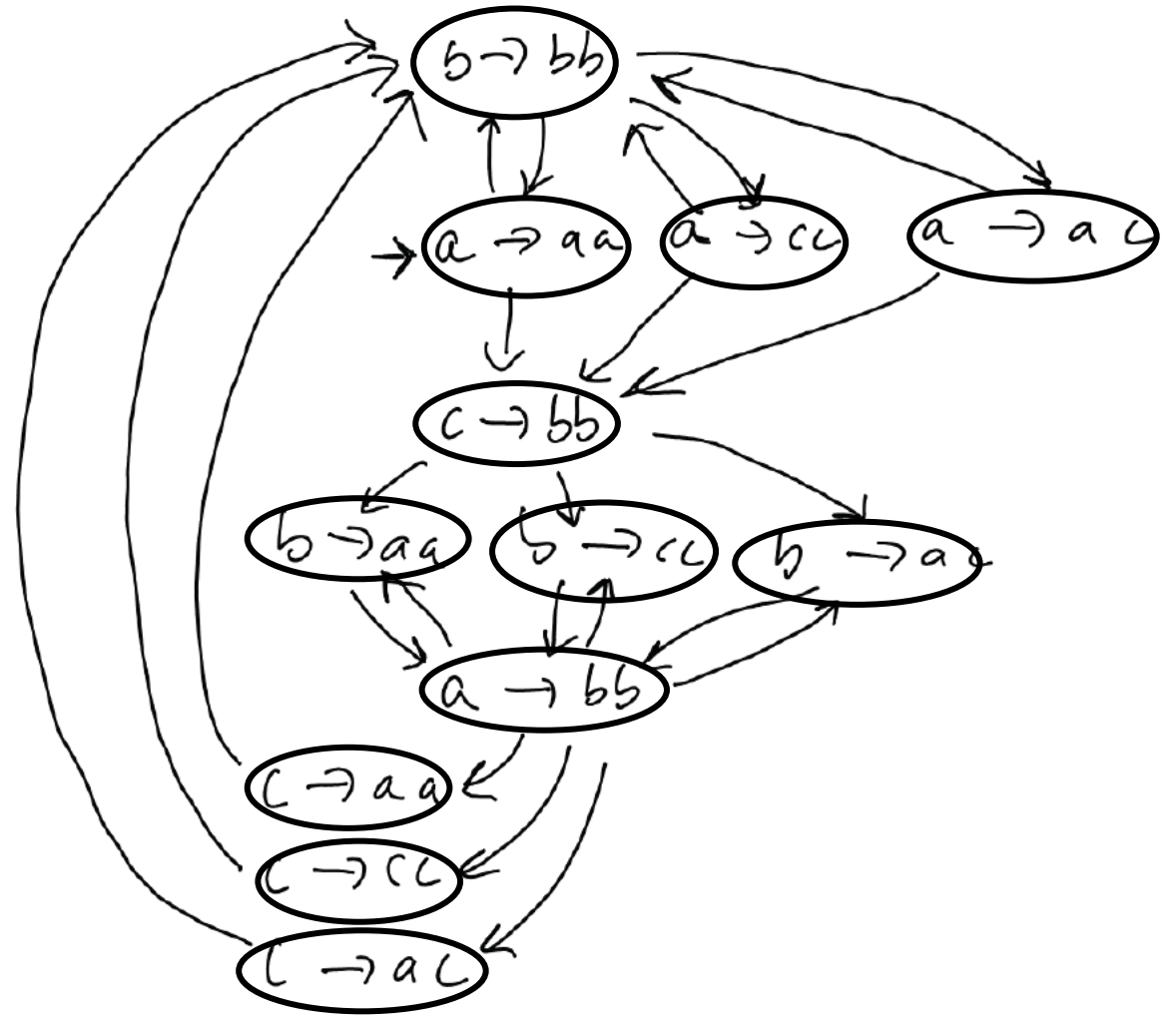
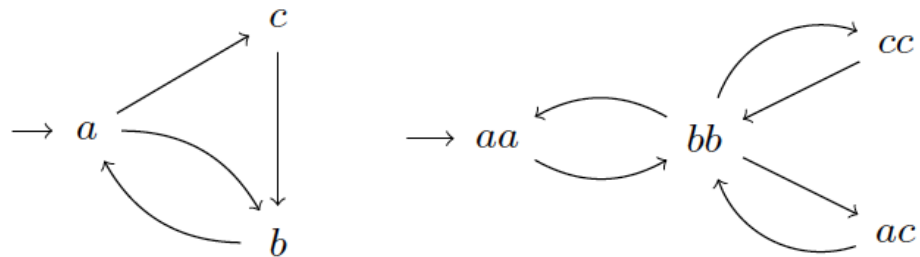
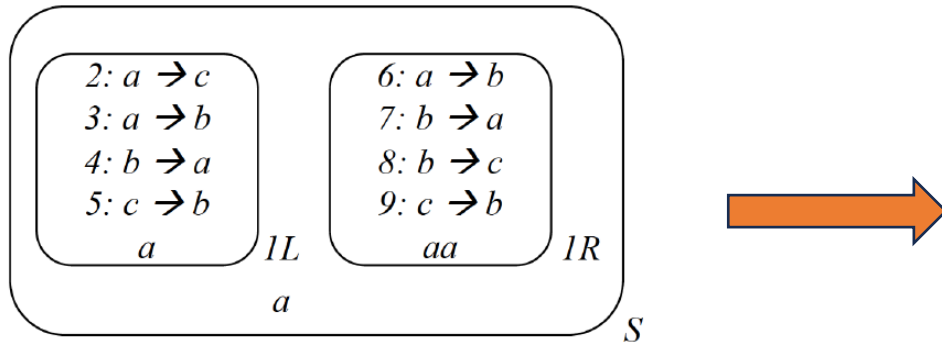
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Why does the corollary hold?

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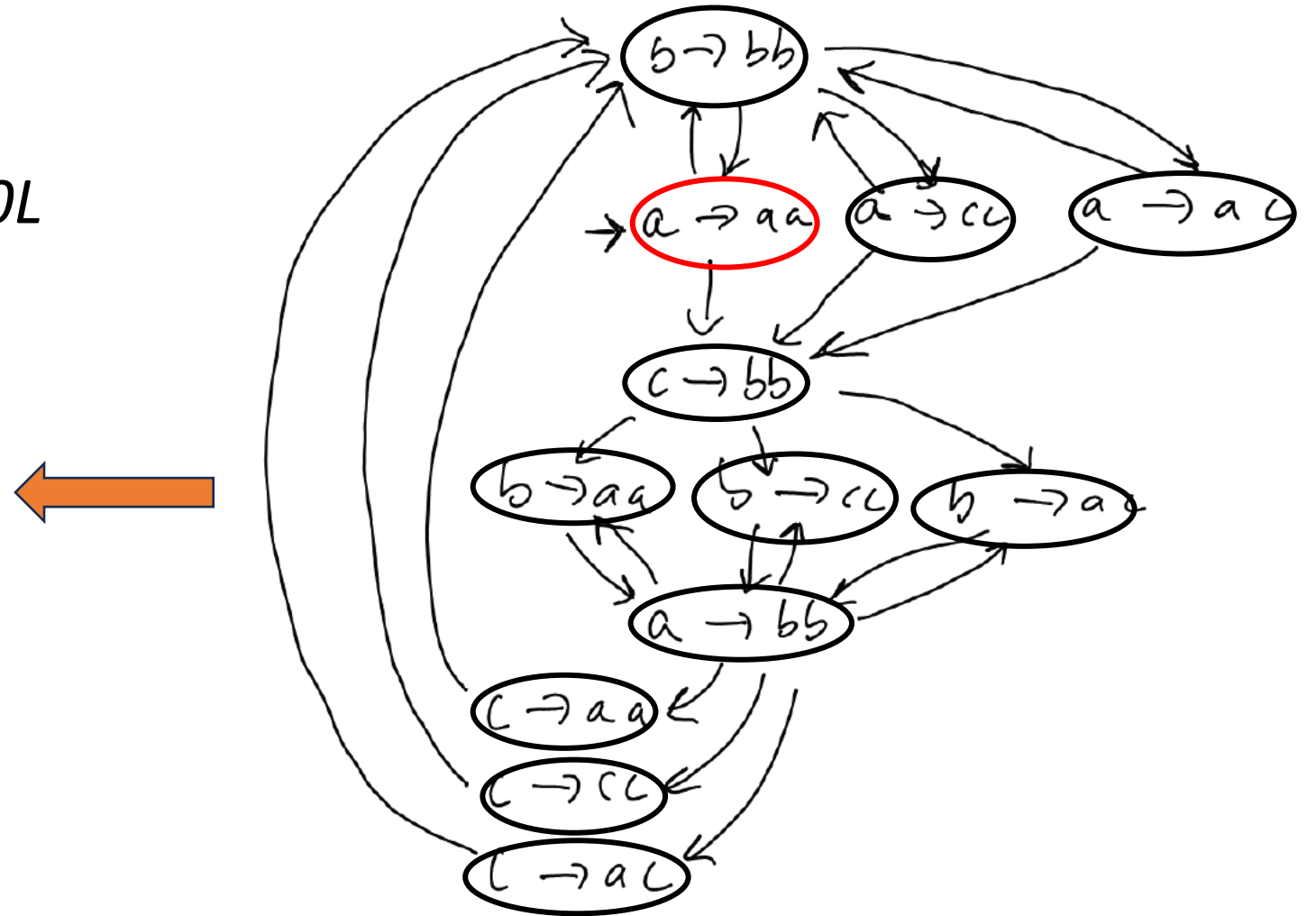
We can construct the **finite set** of instances of **rule 1**:



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The **construction** of the *ETOL* tables:

- initial string:  $d_{a \rightarrow aa} a$
- the table:  
 $a \rightarrow aa$   
 $d_{a \rightarrow aa} \rightarrow d_{b \rightarrow bb}$   
 $d_{a \rightarrow aa} \rightarrow d_{c \rightarrow bb}$   
 $d_{x \rightarrow yz} \rightarrow F$   
 $F \rightarrow F$



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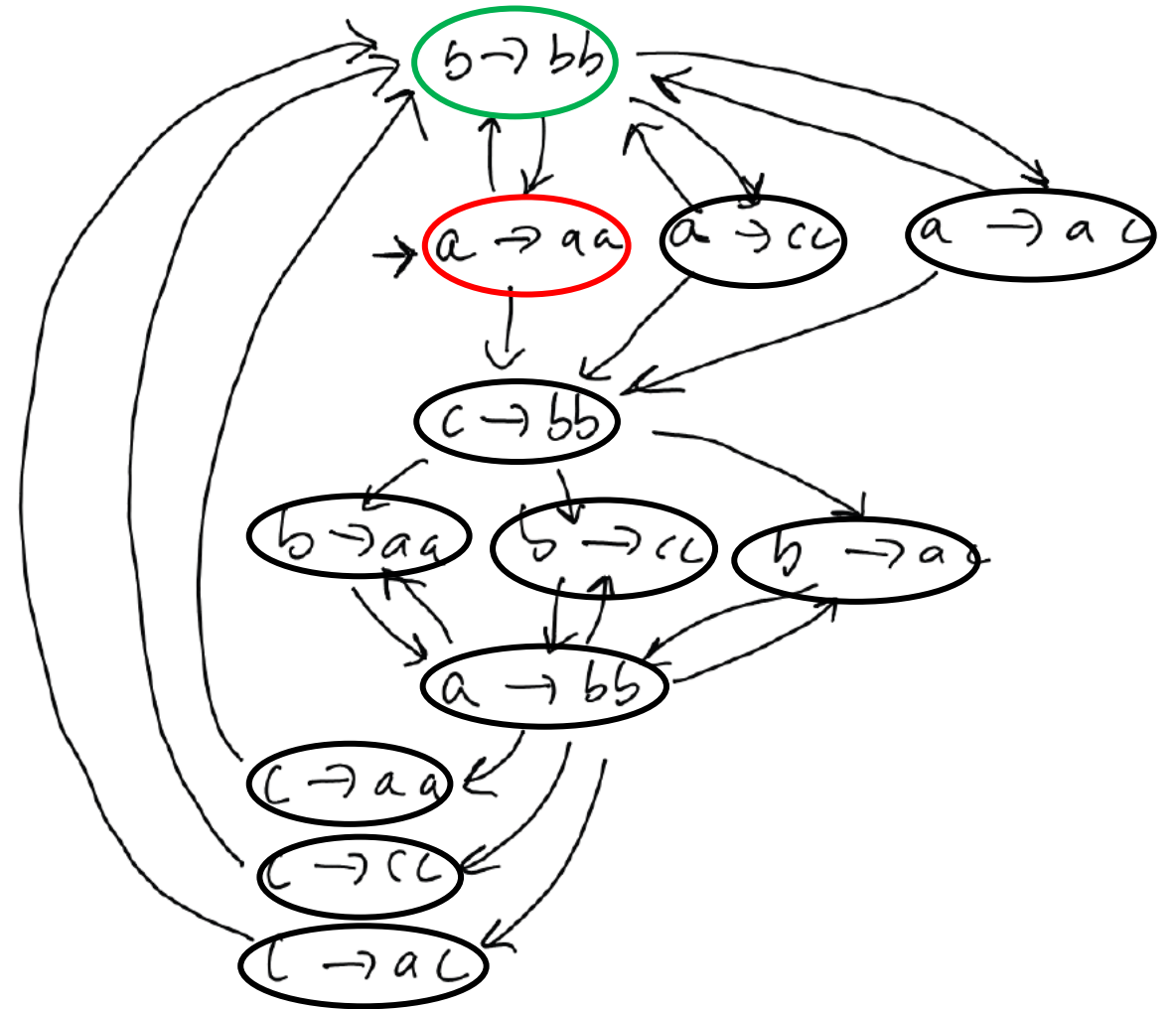
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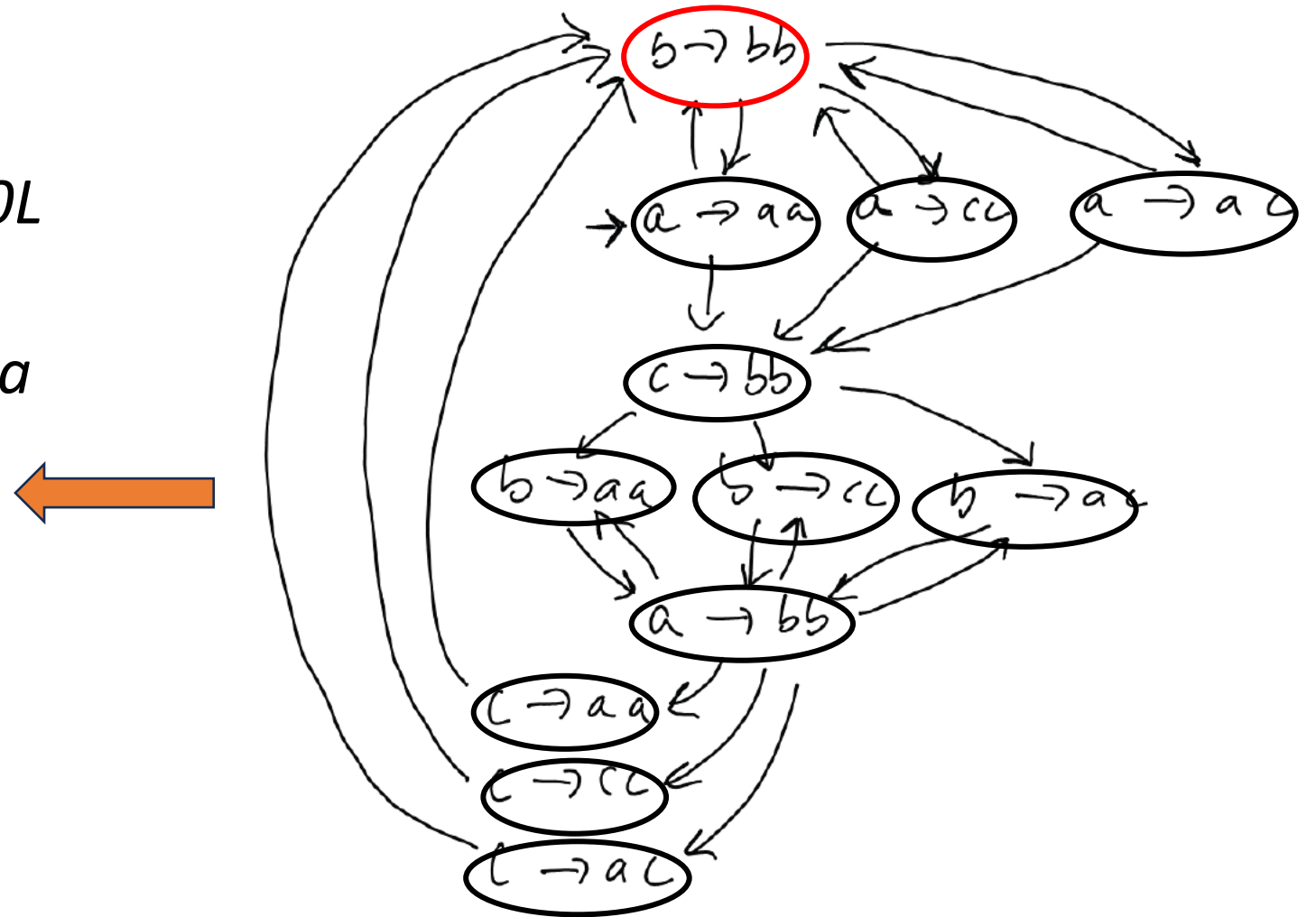
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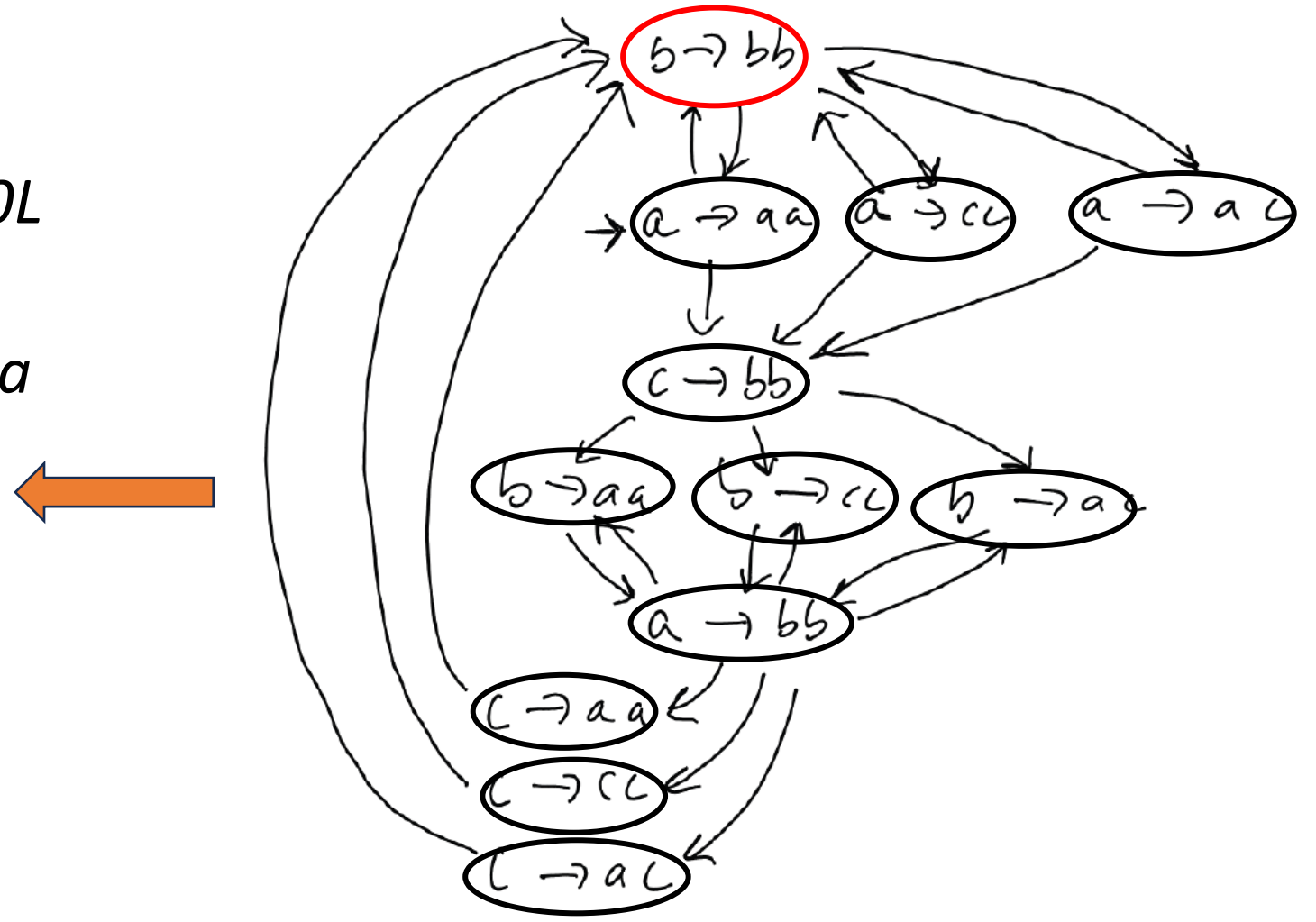
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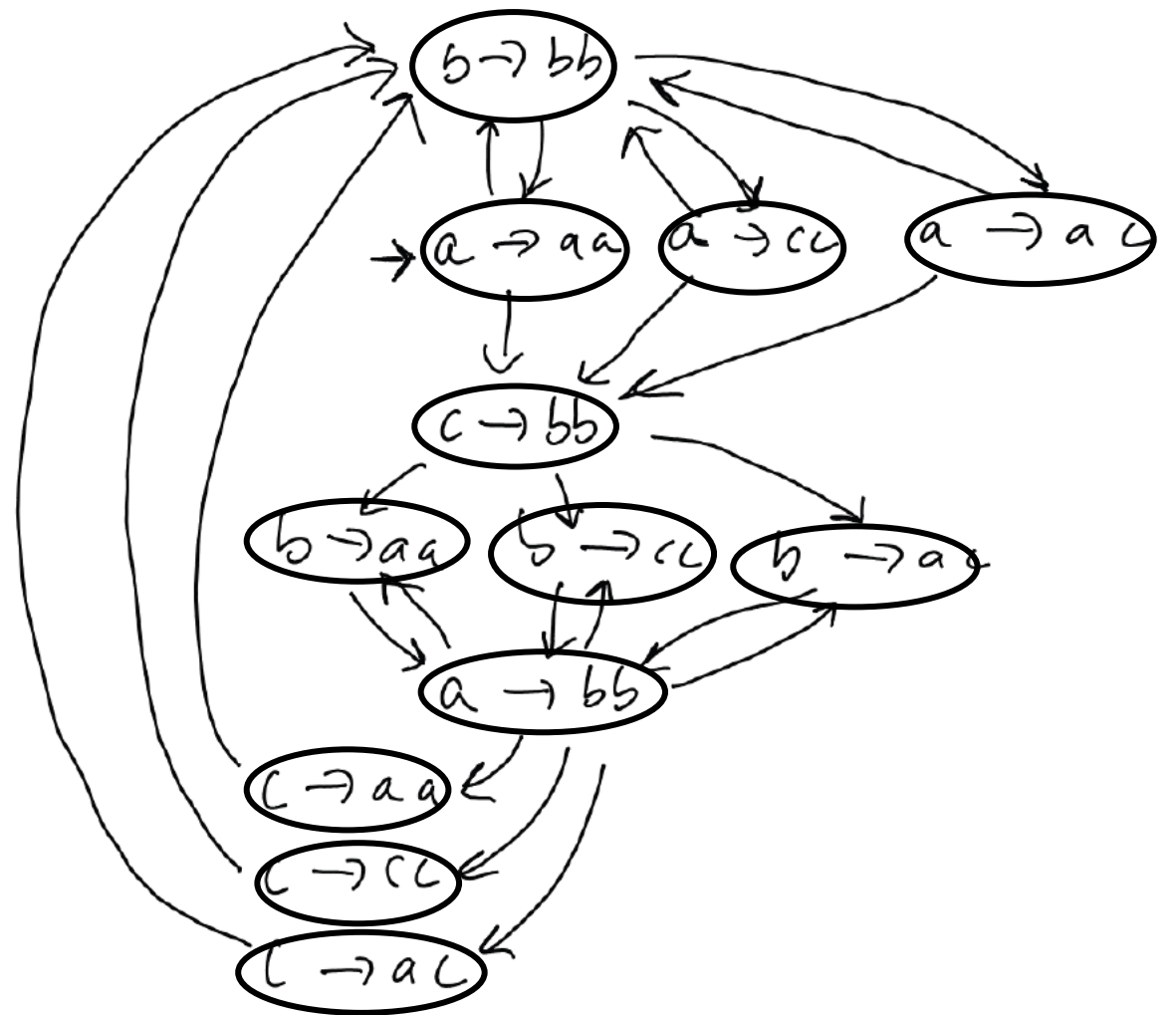
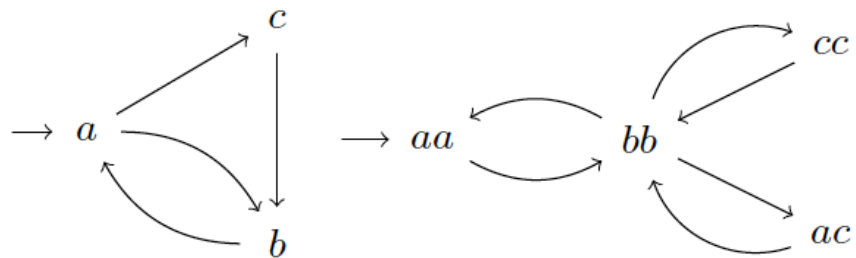
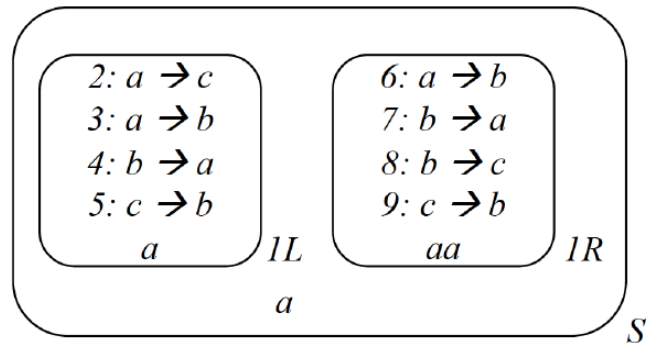
$d_{x \rightarrow yz} \rightarrow F$

$F \rightarrow F$  and so on...



# If we have two dynamic rules...

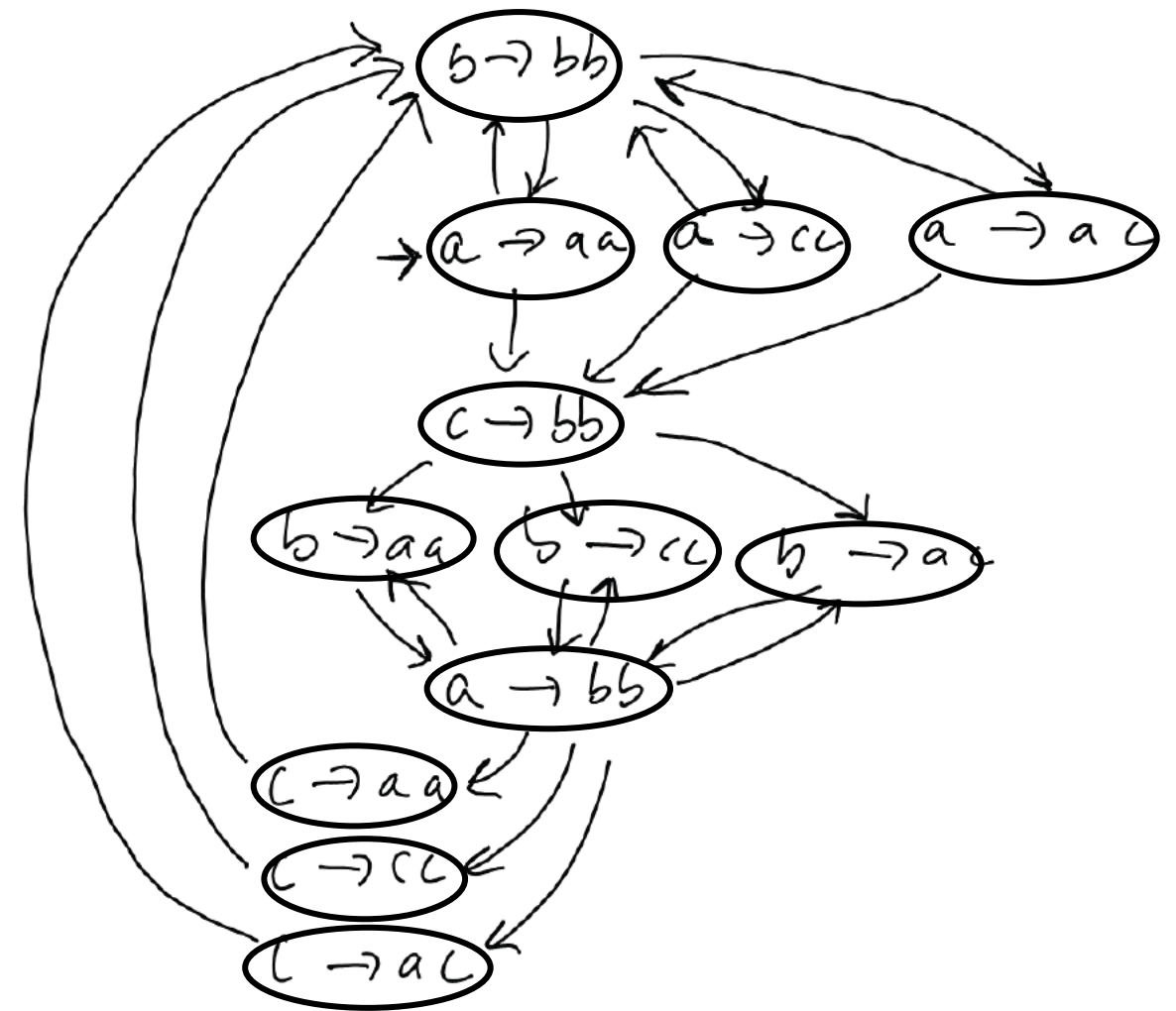
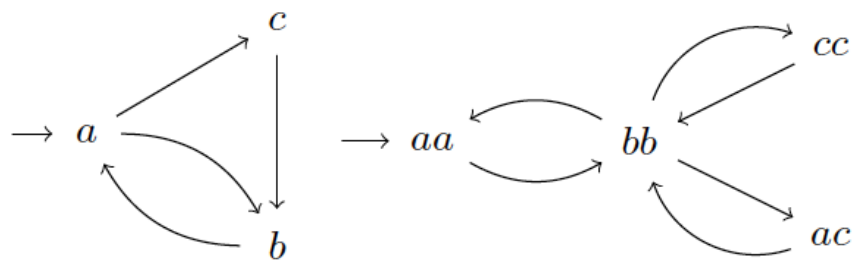
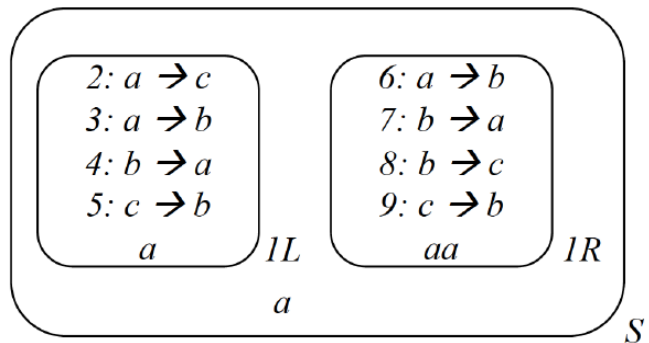
...we can **construct** the finite set of instances of **rule pairs**





# If we have several dynamic rules...

...we can construct the finite set of instances of **groups of rules that can be applied simultaneously**



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