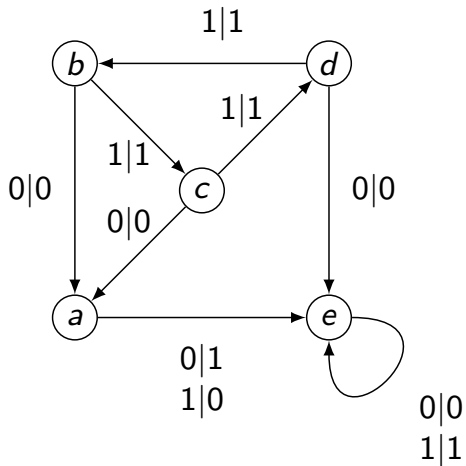


# Mealy automata & random groups

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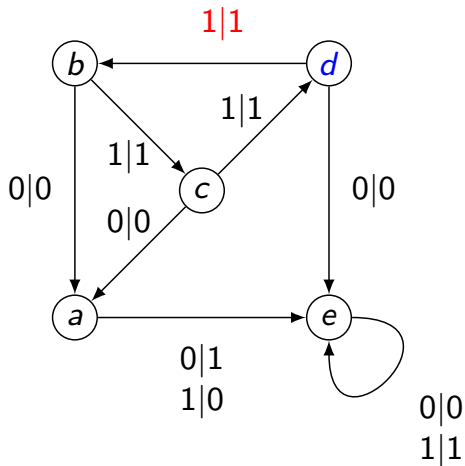
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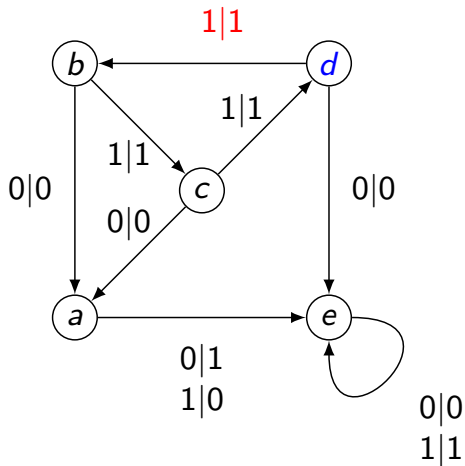


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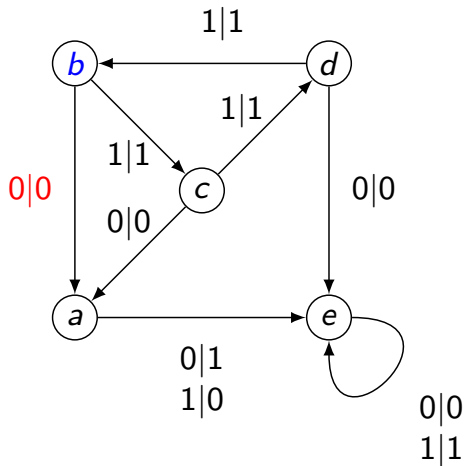


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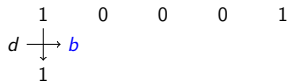
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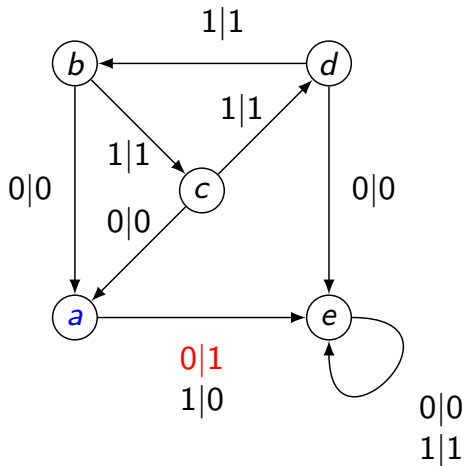


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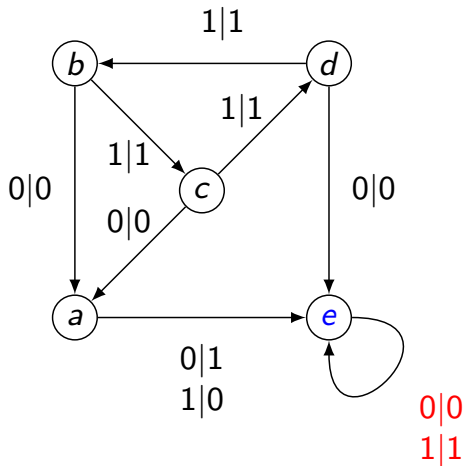


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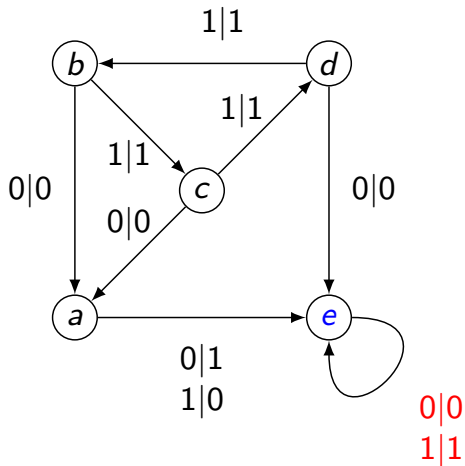


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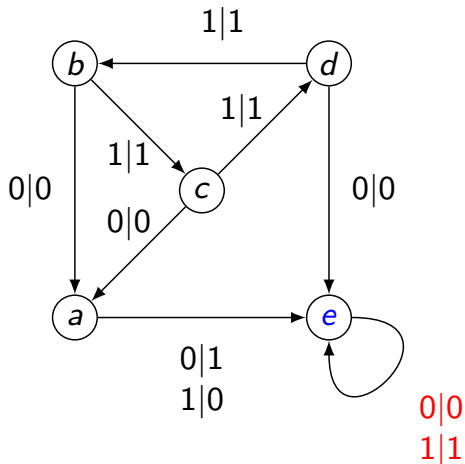
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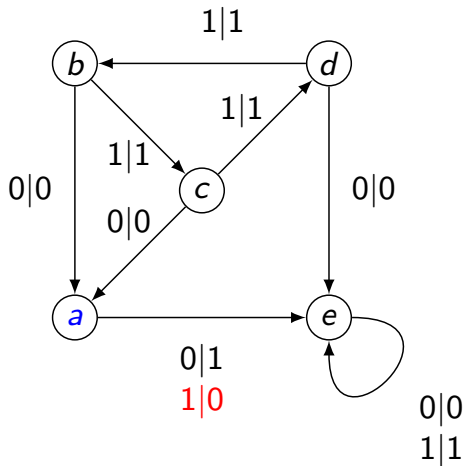


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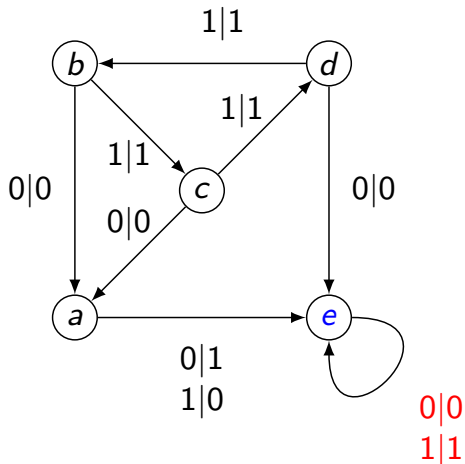
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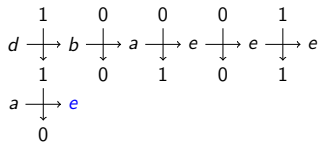
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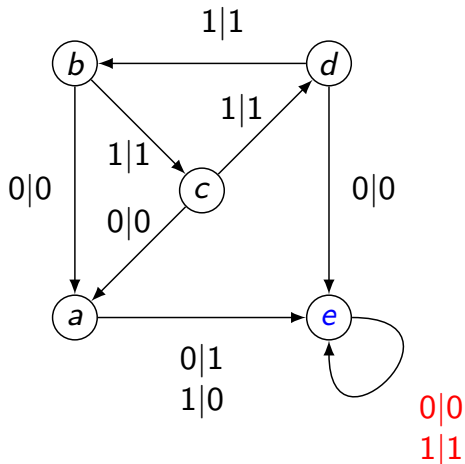
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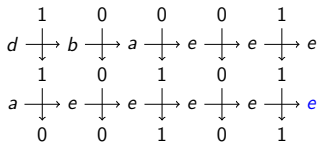
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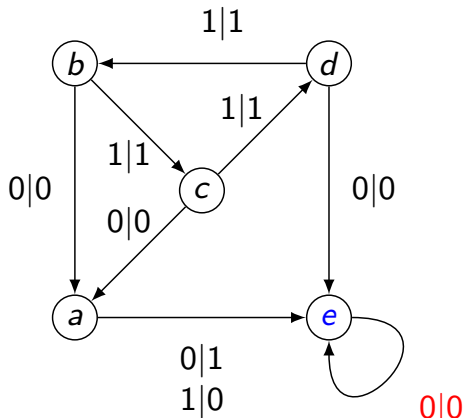


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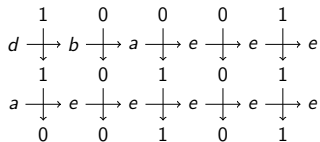




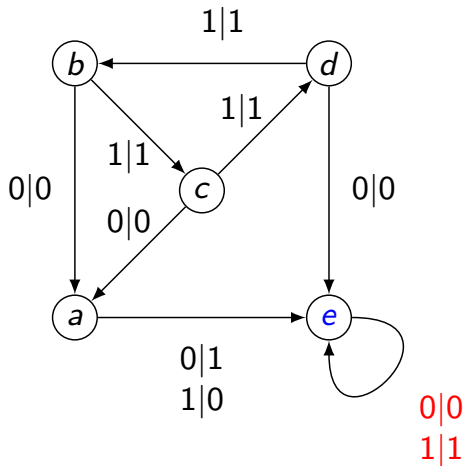
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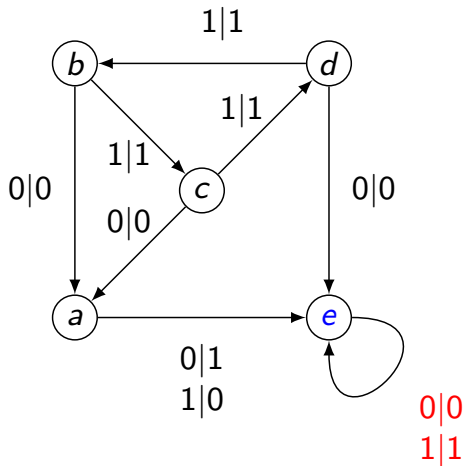
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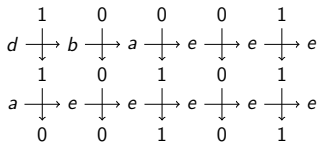
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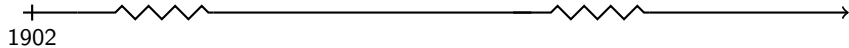
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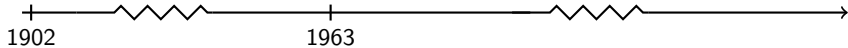
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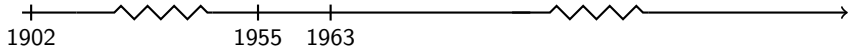
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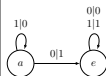
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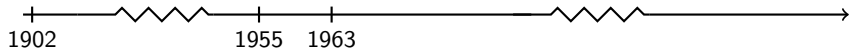
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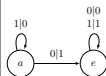
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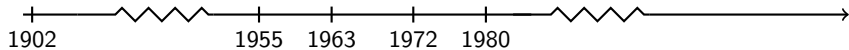
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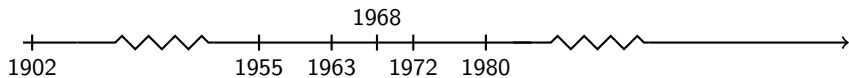
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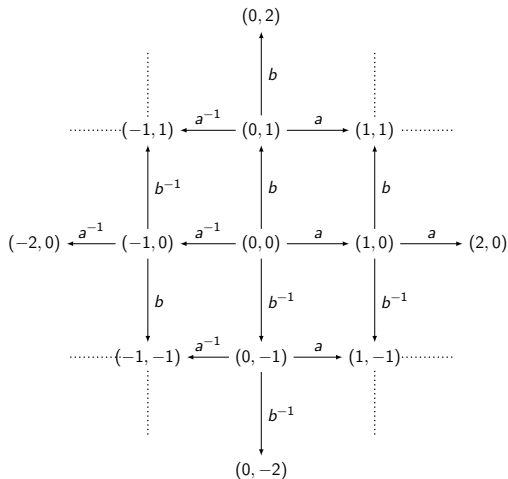
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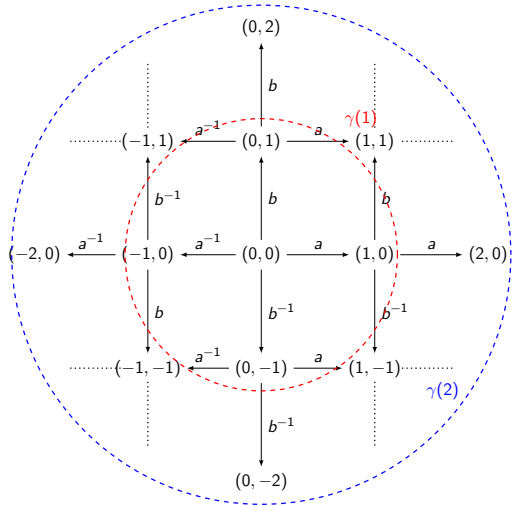
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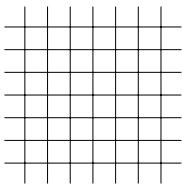
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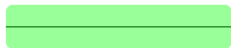
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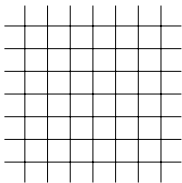


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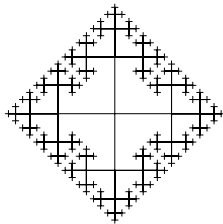


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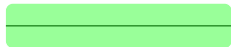
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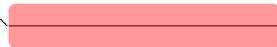
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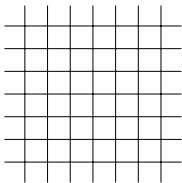


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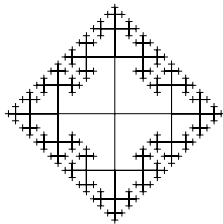


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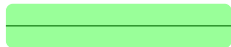


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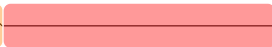


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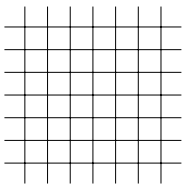


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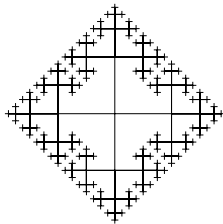
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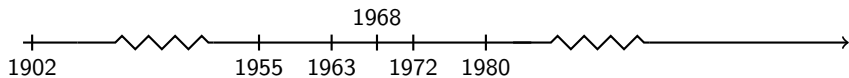
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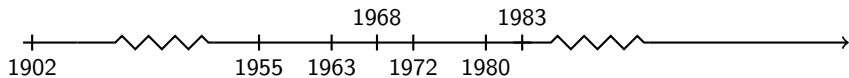
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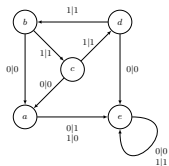
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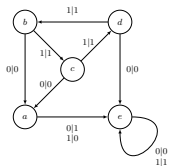
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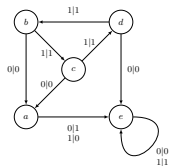
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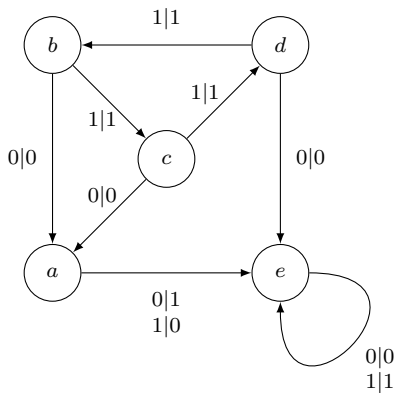
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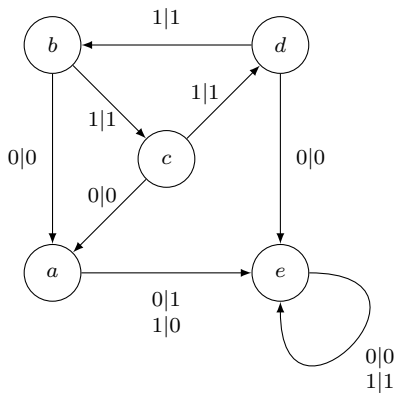
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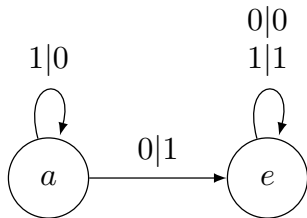
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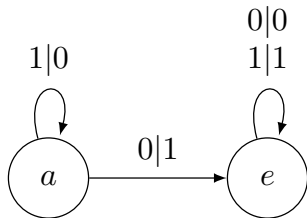


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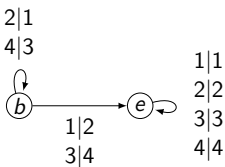
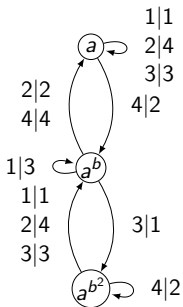
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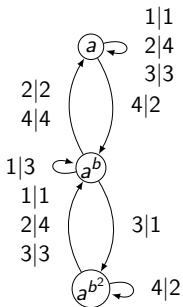
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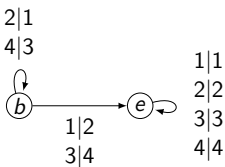
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Heisenberg  $H_3(\mathbb{Z})$



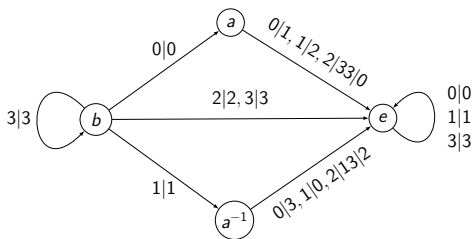
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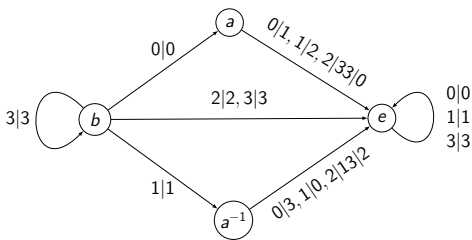


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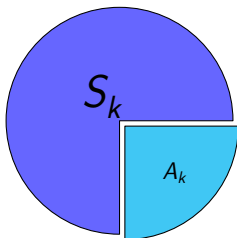
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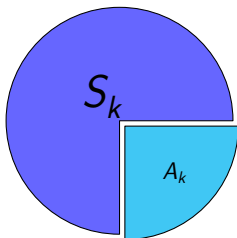
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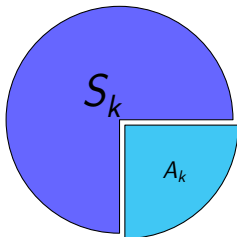
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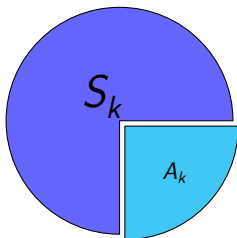
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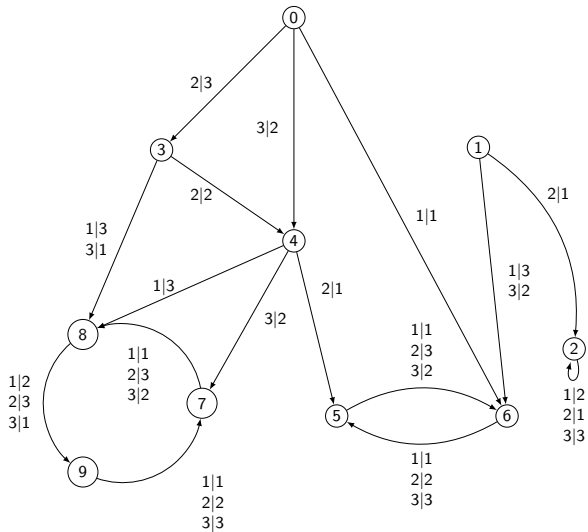
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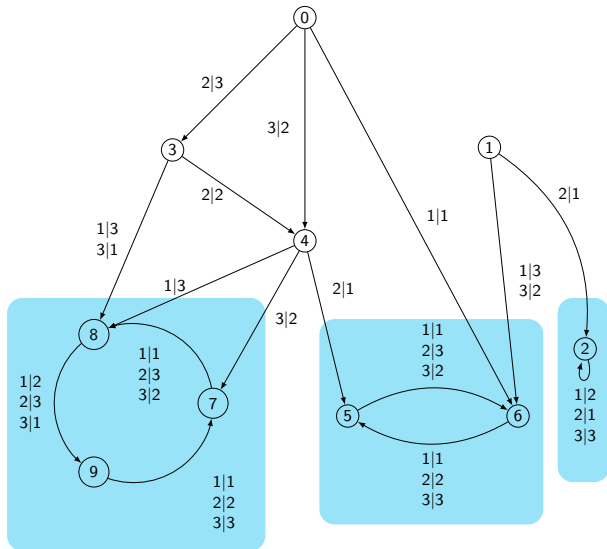
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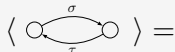


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
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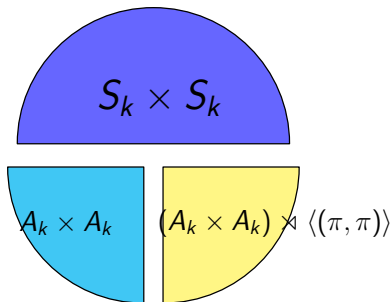
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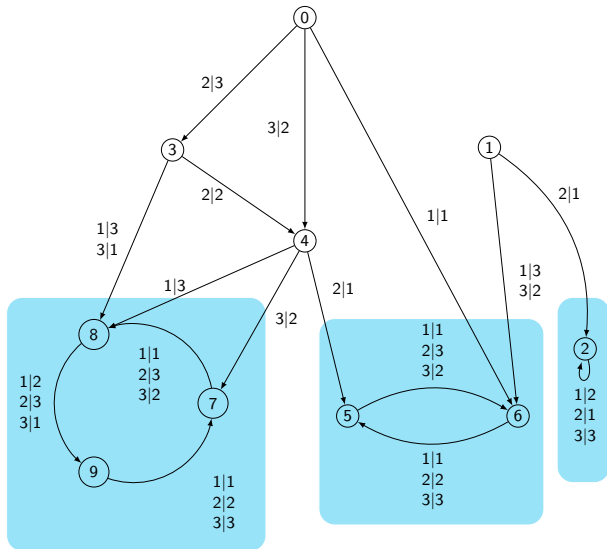
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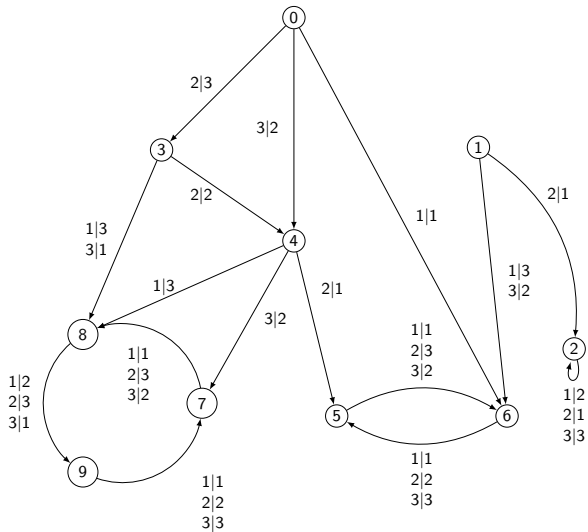




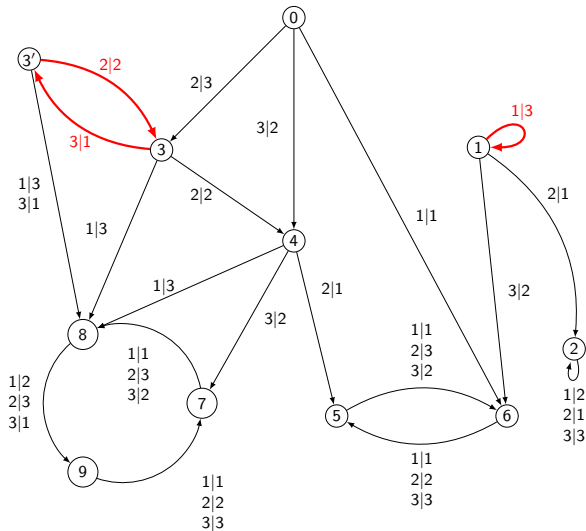
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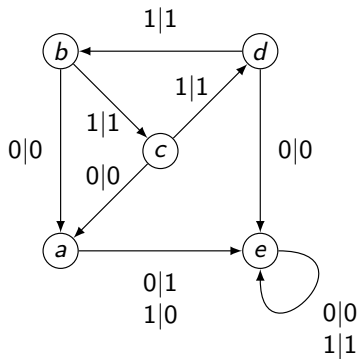
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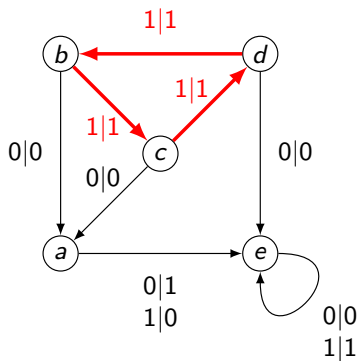
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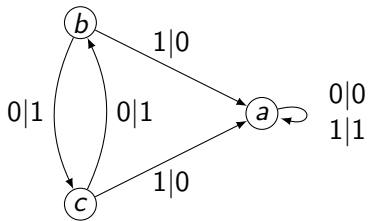
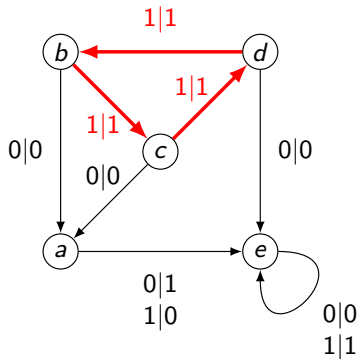
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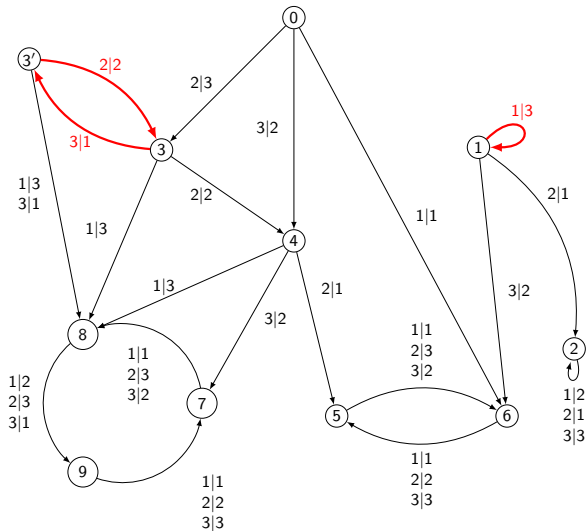
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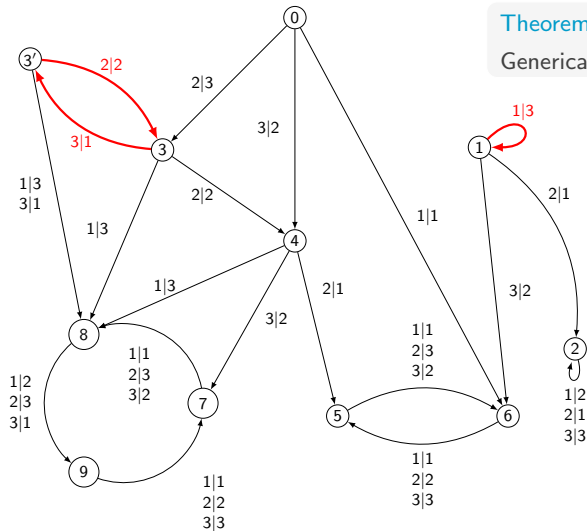
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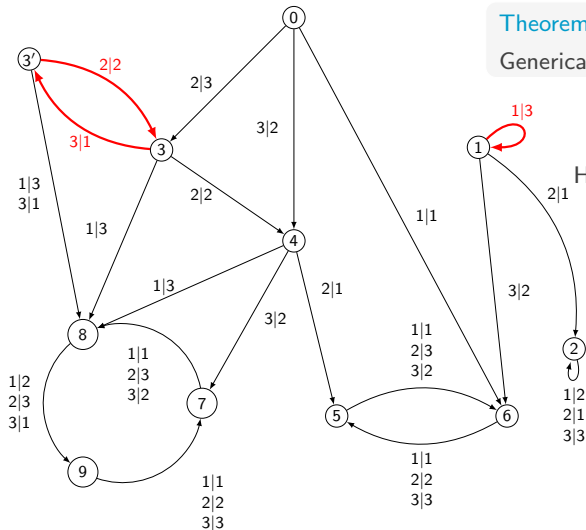


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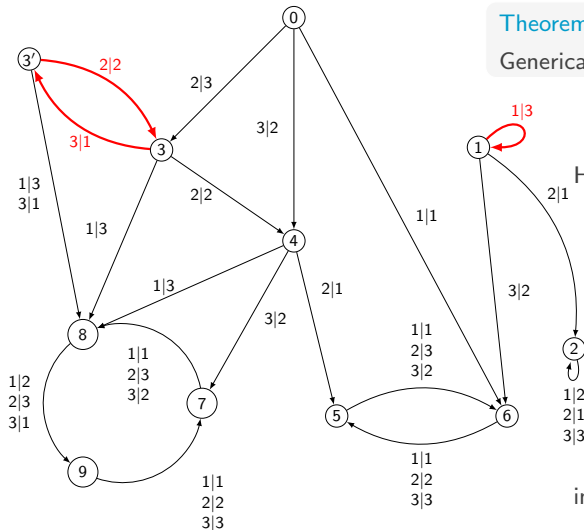
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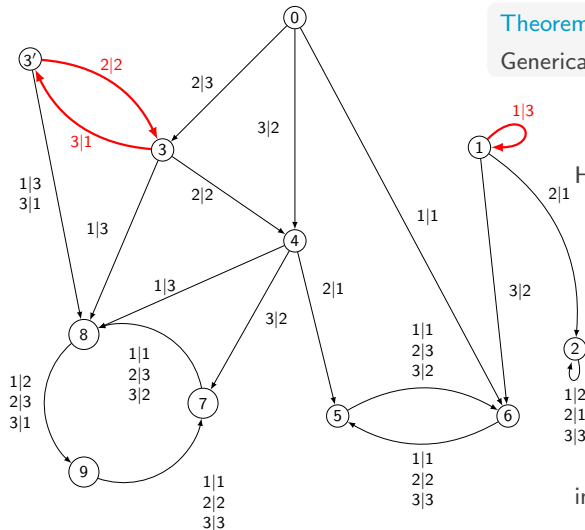
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