

Deterministic Transducers over Infinite Terms

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- (4) MSO transductions
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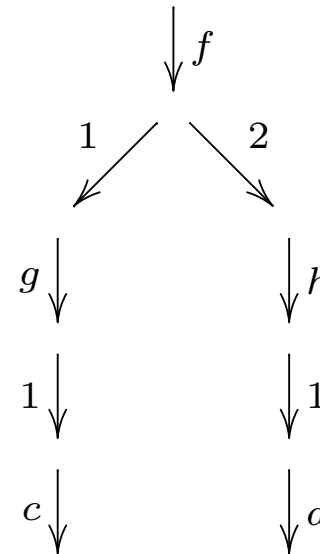
TERMS

- ranked alphabet \mathcal{F} (symbols with arity)
- $|f|$ denotes rank of $f \in \mathcal{F}$
- $|\mathcal{F}|_{\max} = \max\{|f| \mid f \in \mathcal{F}\}$

Terms (possibly infinite) represented as finite edge-labeled trees over the alphabet $\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{F} \cup \{1, \dots, |\mathcal{F}|_{\max}\}$:

Example

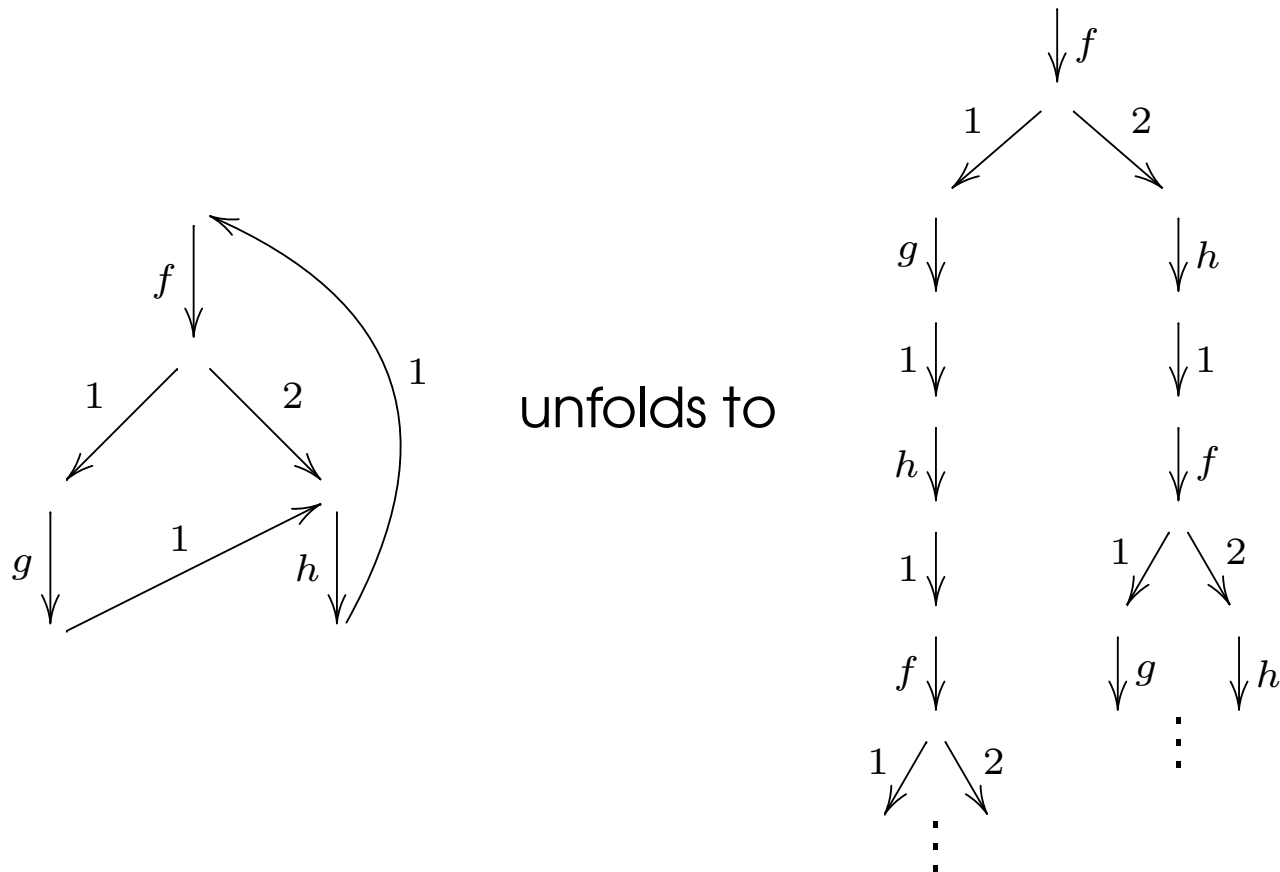
$f(g(c), h(d))$ represented as



FOLDED TERMS

- rooted graph G (edge labels from $\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}$)
- unfolding of G from the root denoted by $\text{unfold}(G)$
- G is a folded term if $\text{unfold}(G)$ is a term

Example:



MSO LOGIC – RATIONAL SETS OF TERMS

MSO logic over folded terms:

- Signature $(E_a)_{a \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}}$, binary symbols interpreted as the edge relations for each symbol in $\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}$.
- Quantification over individual vertices.
- Quantification over sets of vertices.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) = \quad & \forall X [x \in X \wedge \forall y, z (y \in X \wedge E(y, z) \rightarrow z \in X) \\ & \rightarrow \exists z', z'' \in X (E_c(z', z''))] \end{aligned}$$

A set of terms is rational

- if it is definable in MSO logic or equivalently
- if it is the set of terms accepted by a Rabin or parity tree automaton or equivalently
- if it is definable in the modal μ -calculus.

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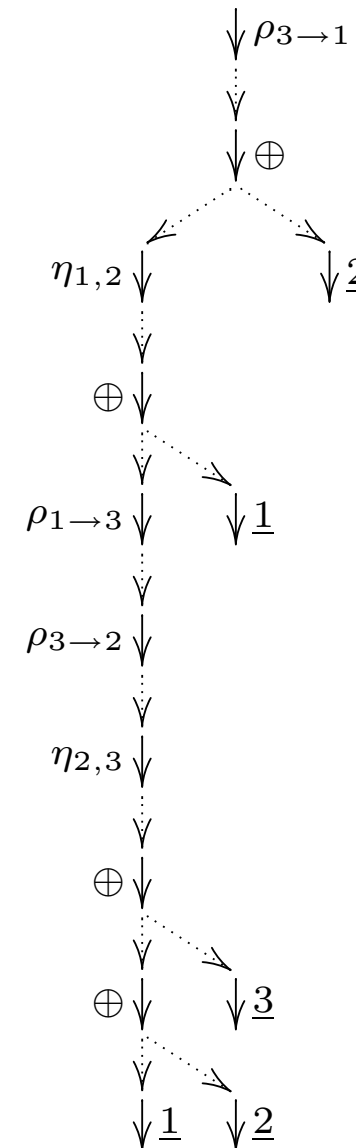
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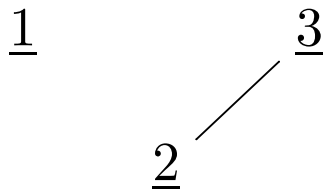
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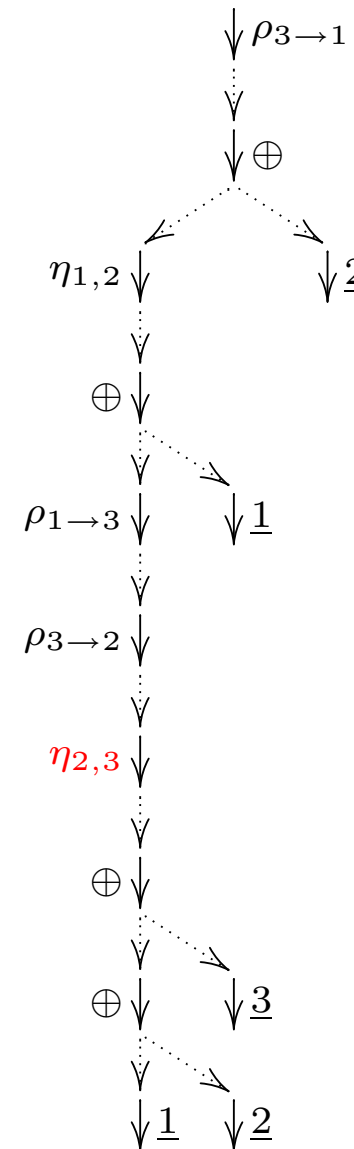
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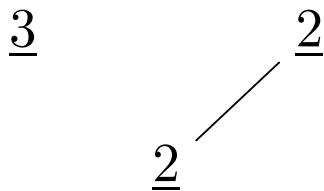
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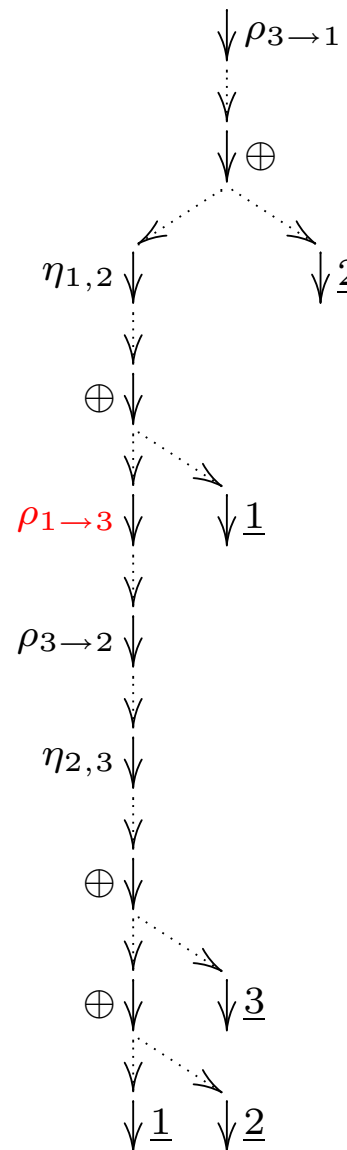
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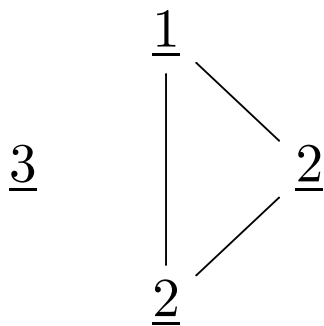
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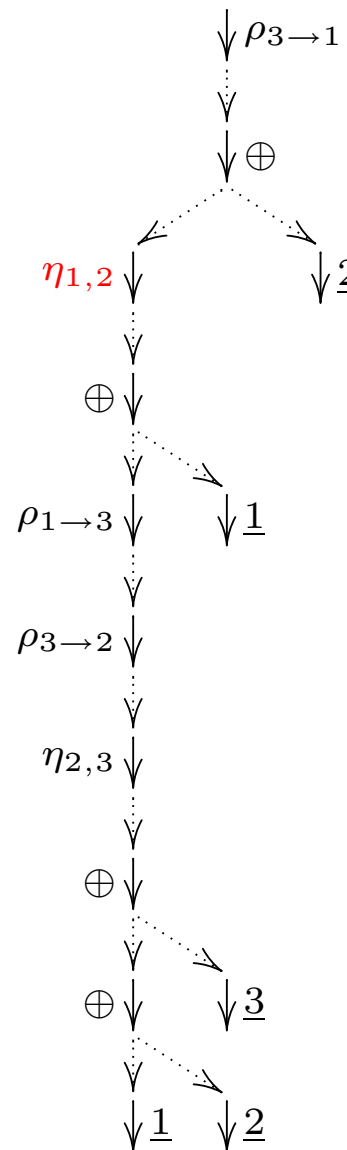
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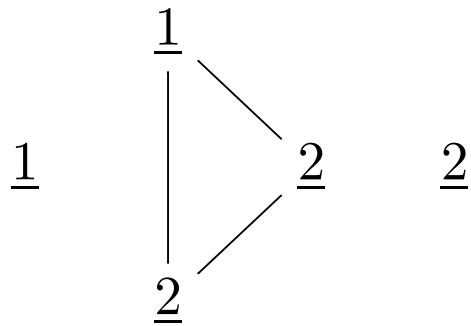
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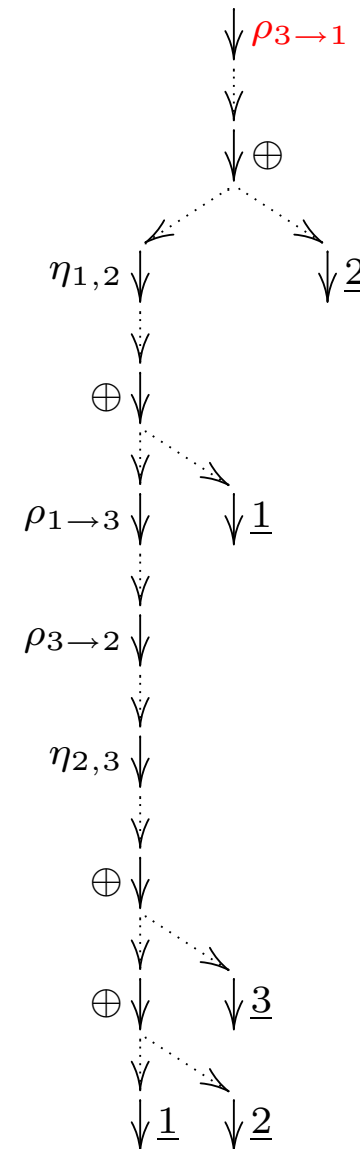
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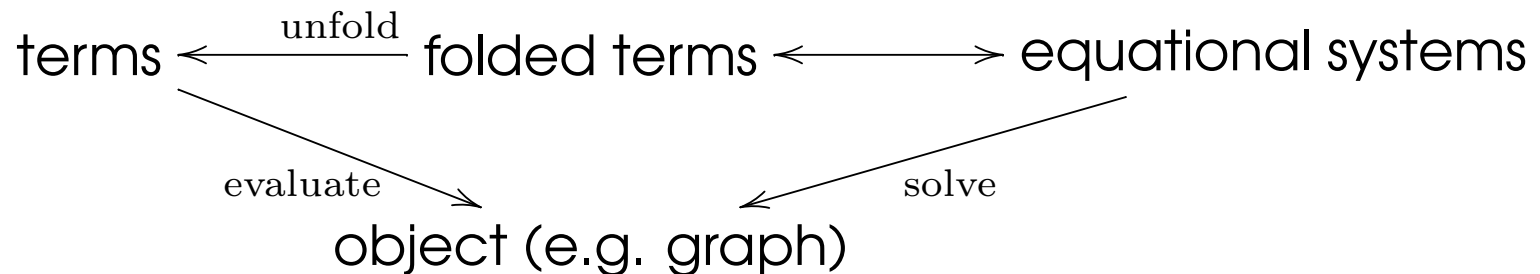
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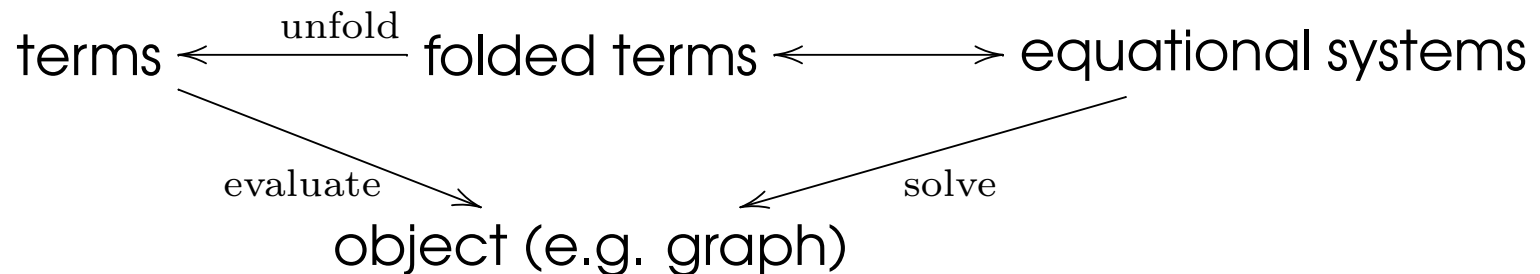
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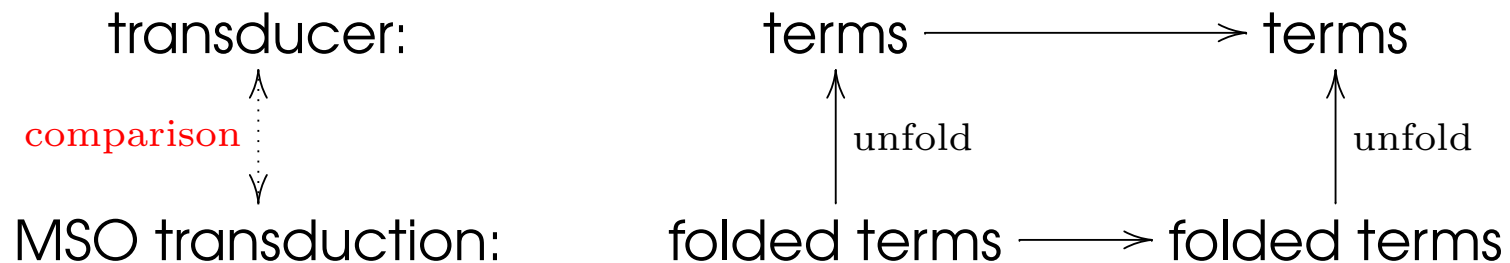
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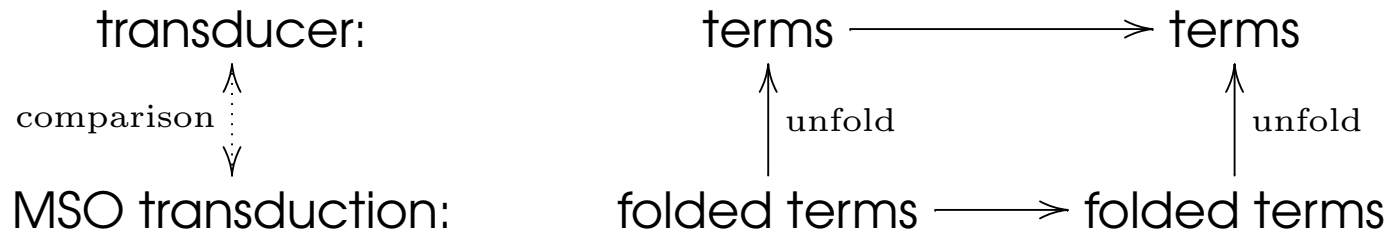
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Semantics: Start with $q_0(t)$ and 'apply rewriting rules to infinity'

Determinism: for any q, t no two rules apply to $q(t)$

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Invariants:

$$f_C(\perp) = \perp. \quad f_C(\underline{i}) = \underline{i} \text{ if } i \in C \text{ and } f_C(\underline{i}) = \perp, \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$f_C(G \oplus G') = f_C(G) \oplus f_C(G')$$

$$f_C(\eta_{i,j}(G)) = f_{C'}(G) \text{ with } C' = \begin{cases} C \cup \{i, j\} & \text{if } G \text{ contains } i\text{- and } j\text{-vertices} \\ C & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Implementation: Transducer keeps track of the set C using the invariants.

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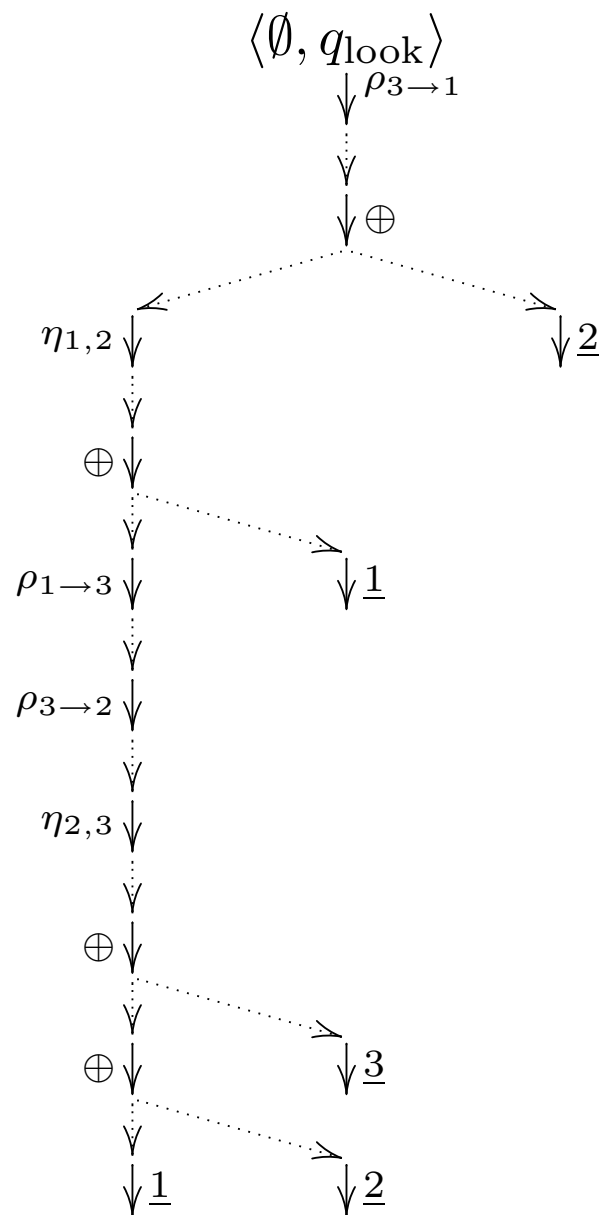
Lookahead sets:

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\underline{i}} &= \{\underline{i}\} & L_{\perp} &= \{\perp\} \\ L_{\oplus} &= \{t \mid t = \oplus(t_1, t_2)\} & L_{\rho_{i \rightarrow j}} &= \{t \mid t = \rho_{i \rightarrow j}(t_1)\} \\ L_{\eta_{i,j}} &= \{t \mid t = \eta_{i,j}(t_1) \text{ and } \text{val}(t_1) \text{ contains } i\text{- and } j\text{-vertices}\} \\ \overline{L_{\eta_{i,j}}} &= \{t \mid t = \eta_{i,j}(t_1) \text{ and } \text{val}(t_1) \text{ does not contain } i\text{- and } j\text{-vertices}\} \end{aligned}$$

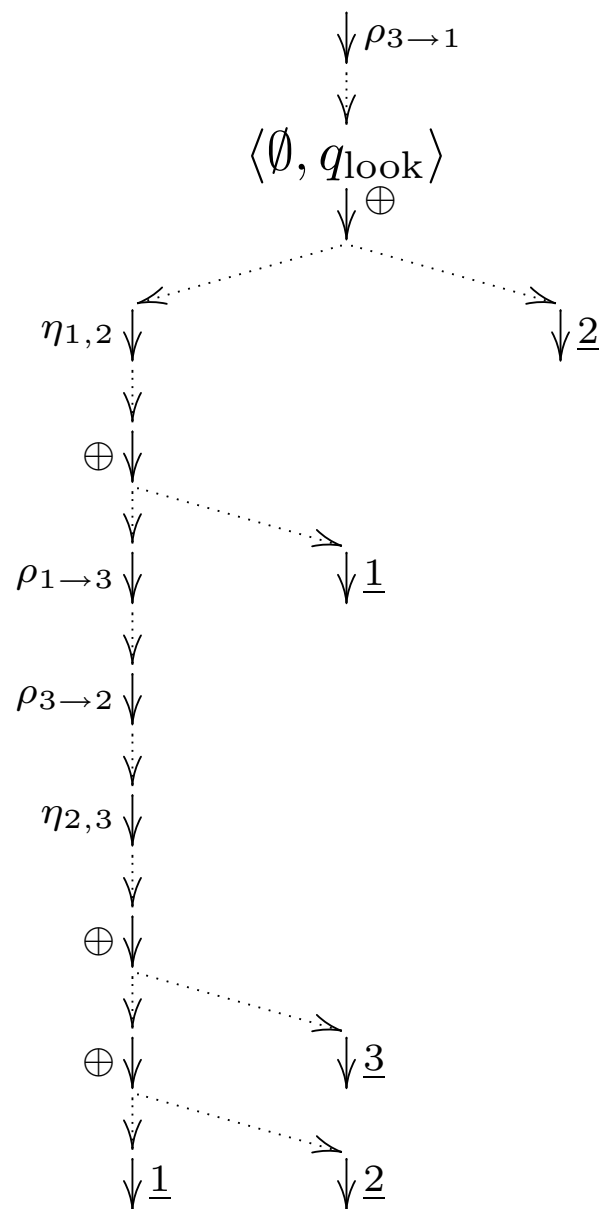
Some of the rewriting rules:

- $\langle C, q_{\text{look}} \rangle (x \in L_{\underline{i}}) \rightarrow \langle C, q_{\underline{i}} \rangle (x), \quad \langle C, q_{\underline{i}} \rangle (x \in L_{\underline{i}}) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \underline{i} & \text{if } i \in C \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
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- $\langle C, q_{\text{look}} \rangle (x \in L_{\oplus}) \rightarrow \langle C, q_{\oplus} \rangle (x), \quad \langle C, q_{\oplus} \rangle (x) \rightarrow \oplus(\langle C, q_{\oplus,1} \rangle (x), \langle C, q_{\oplus,2} \rangle (x))$
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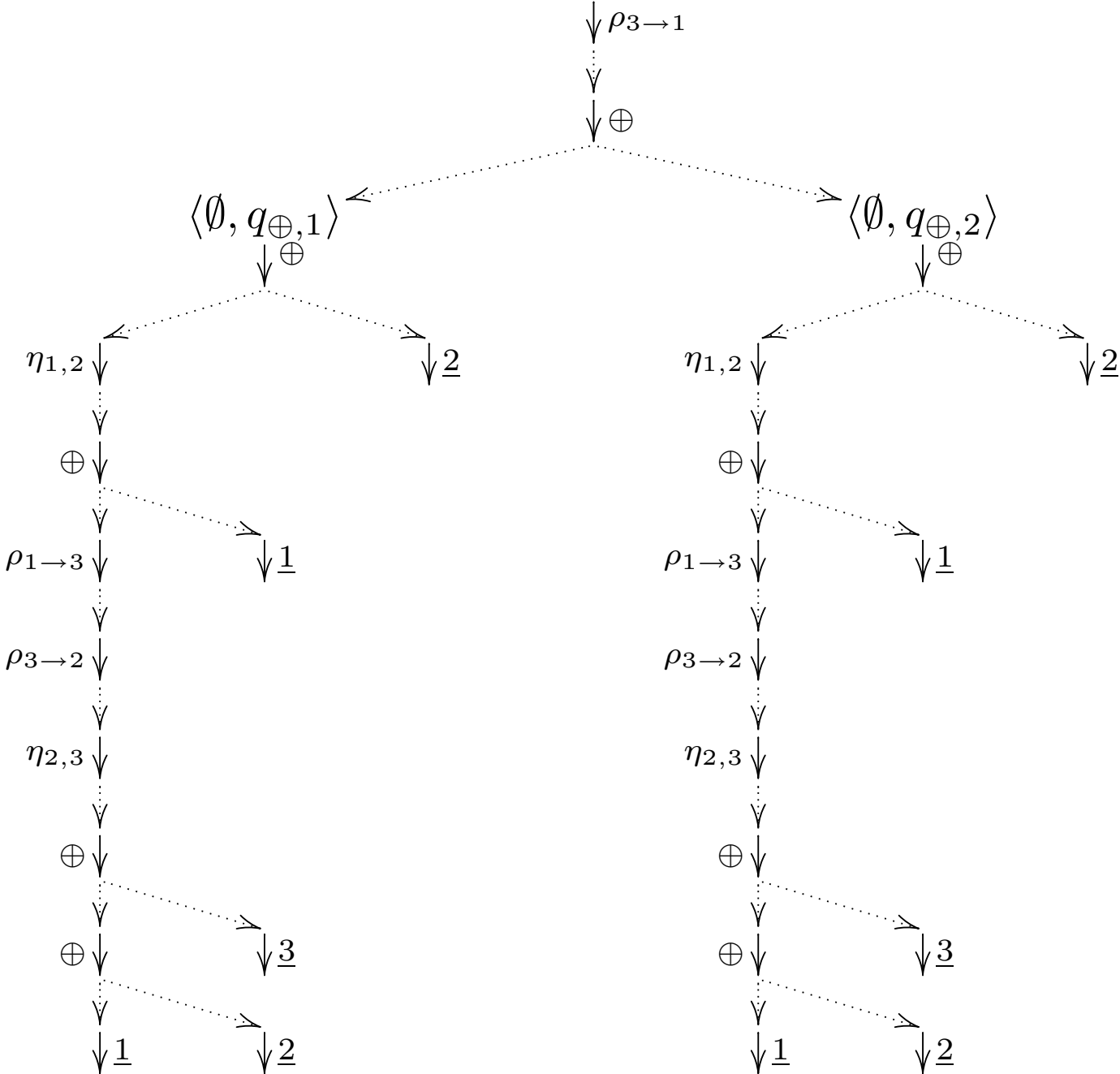
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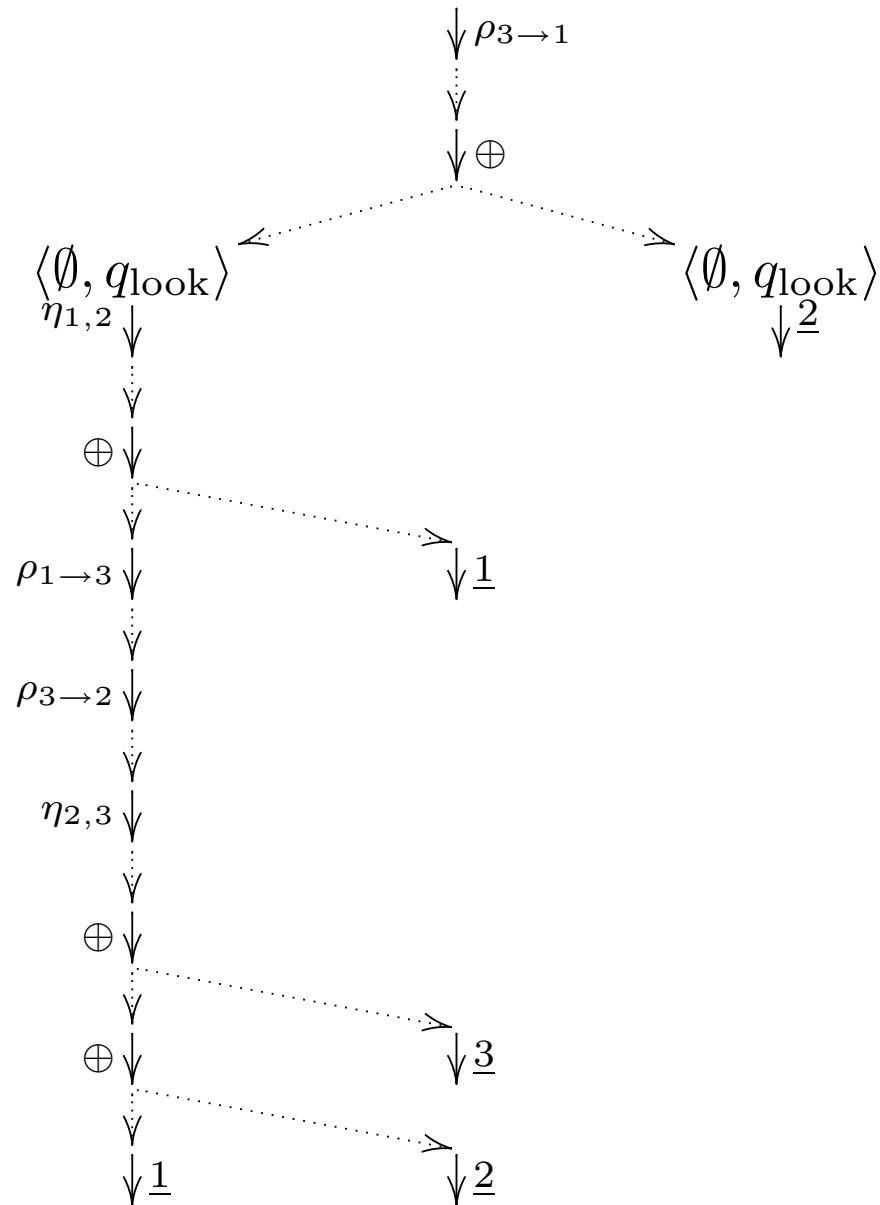
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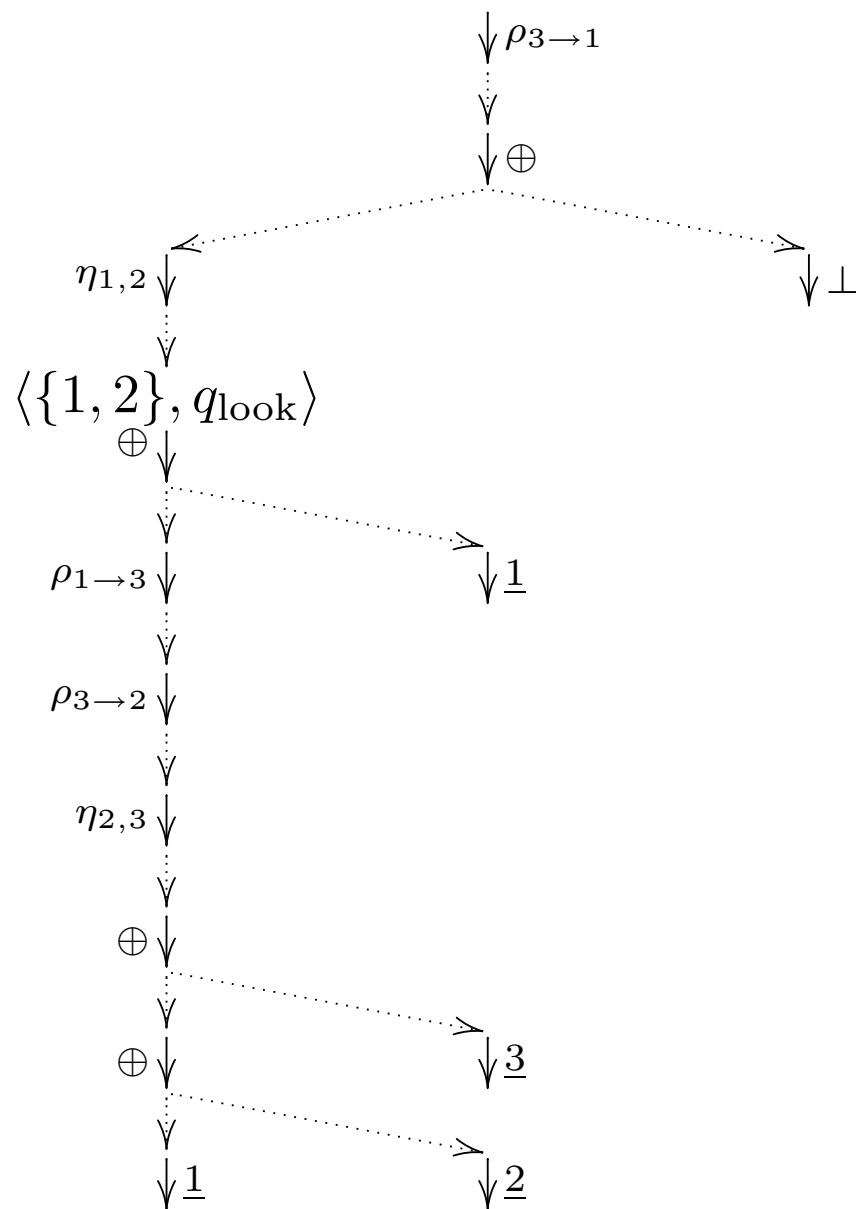
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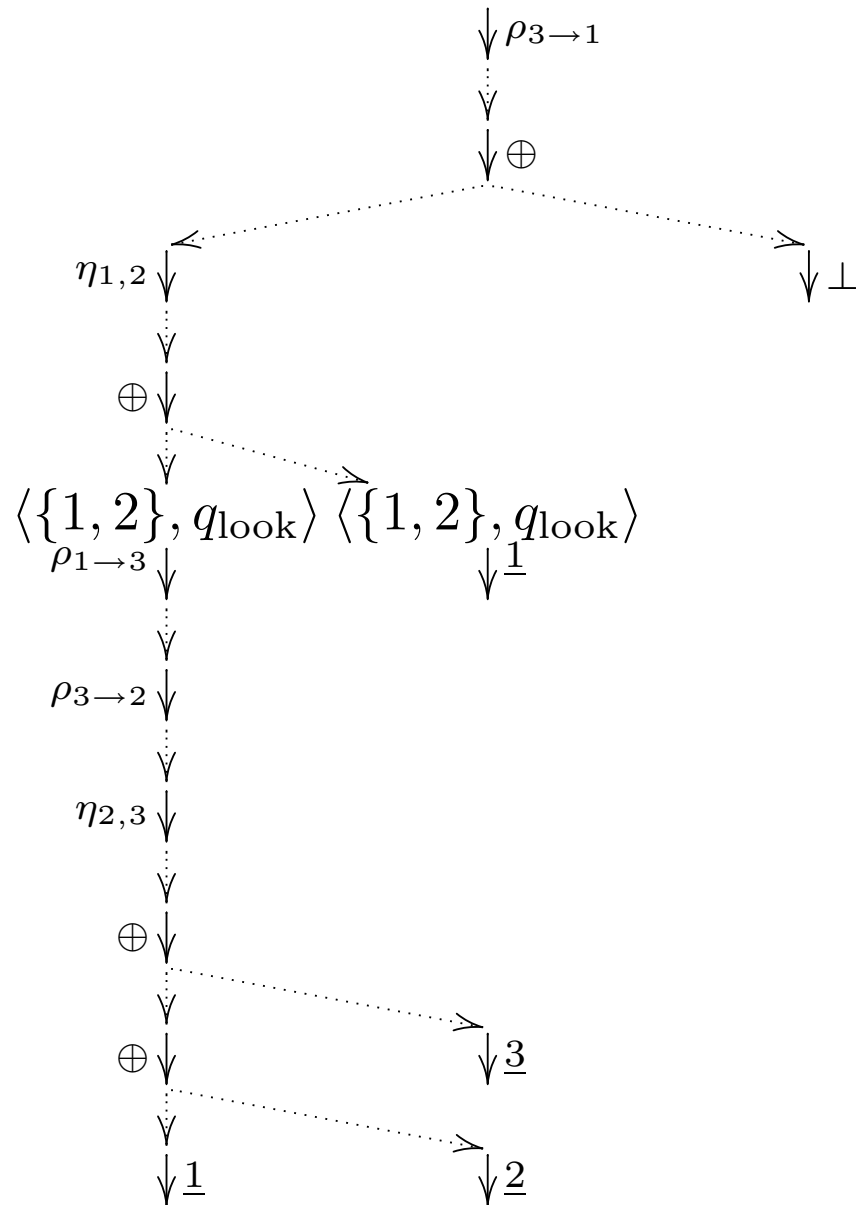
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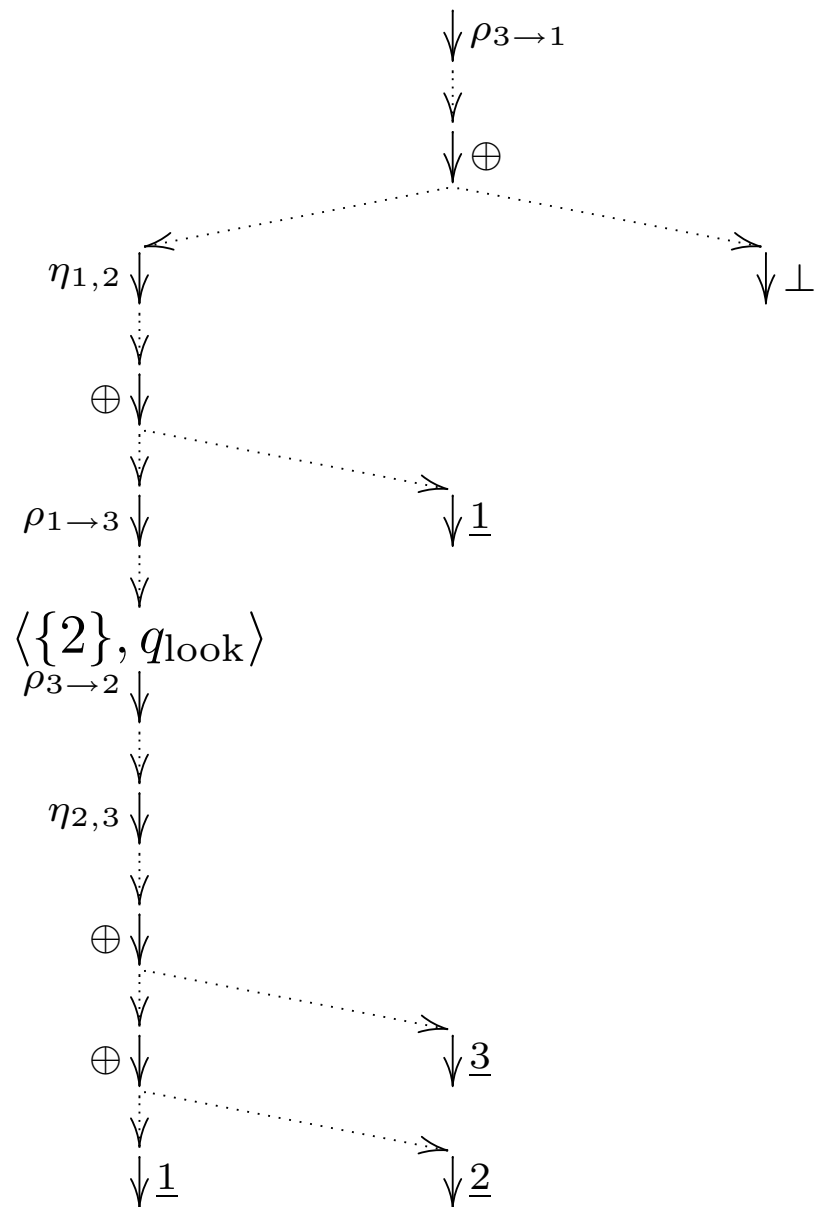
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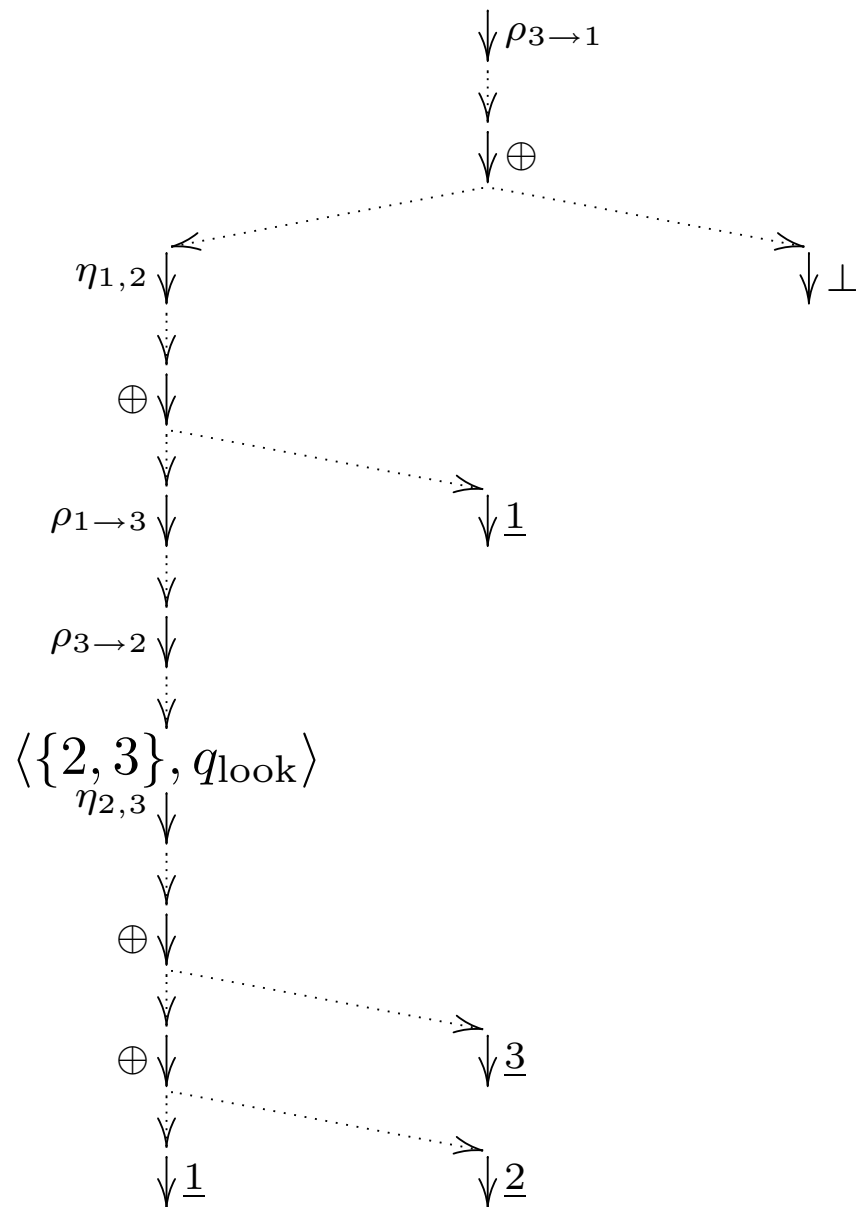
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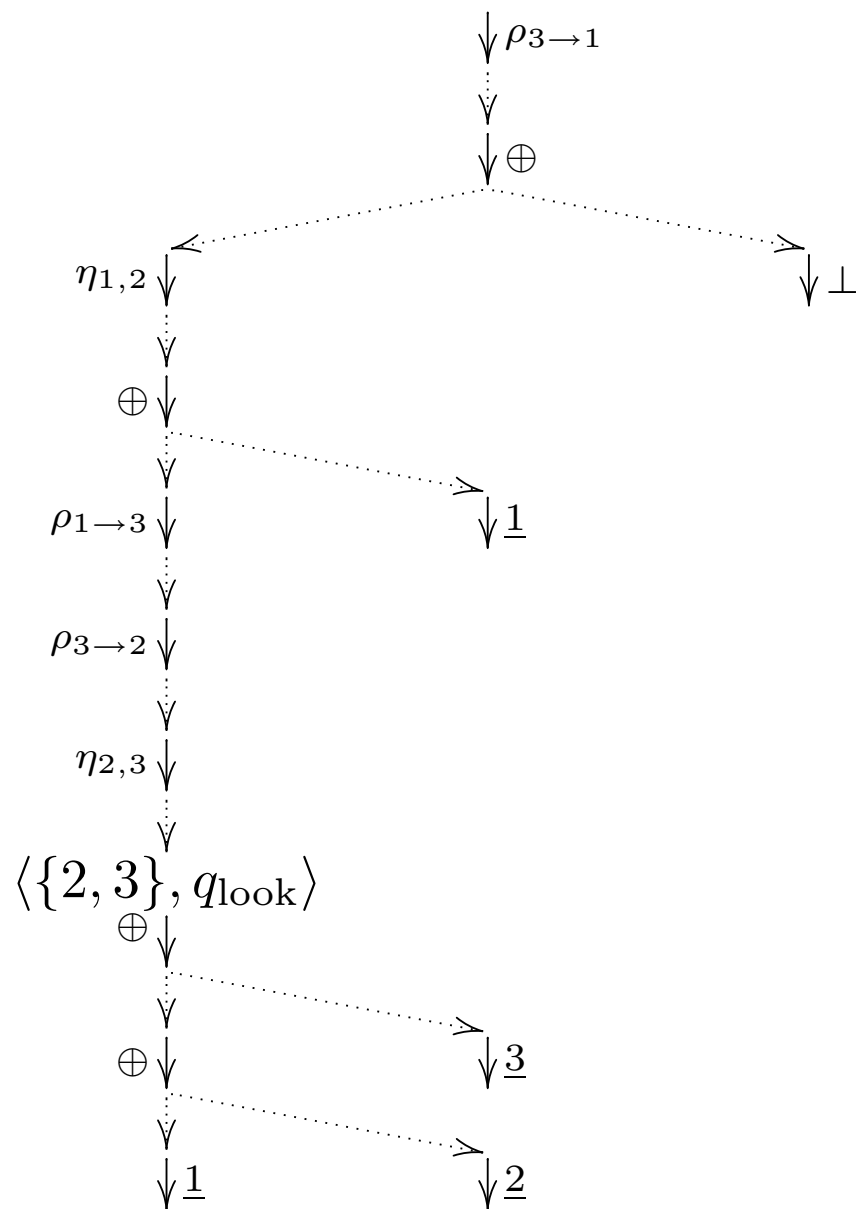
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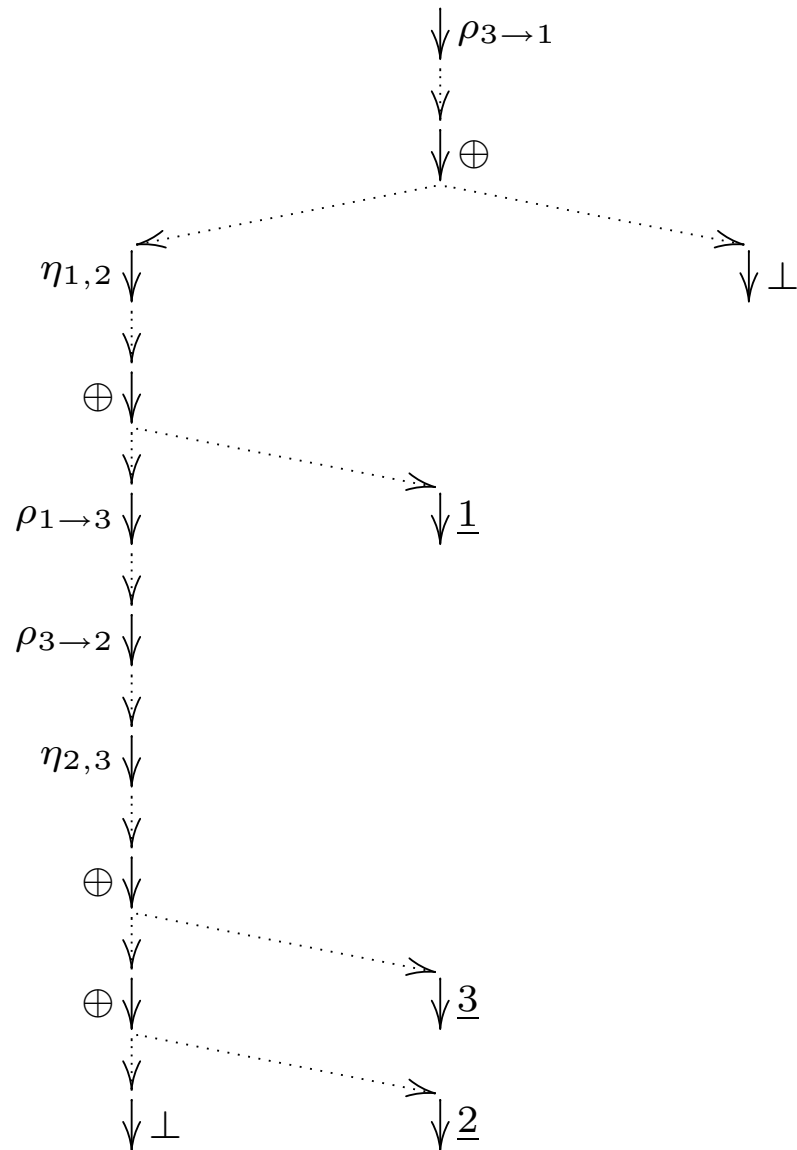
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PROPERTIES OF DETERMINISTIC TRANSDUCERS

- The inverse image of a rational set of terms by a deterministic transducer is rational.
- The image of a rational set of terms by a deterministic transducer needs not to be rational.
- The image of a regular term (unfolding of a finite folded term) by a deterministic transducer is a regular term.
- Deterministic transducers are closed under composition.

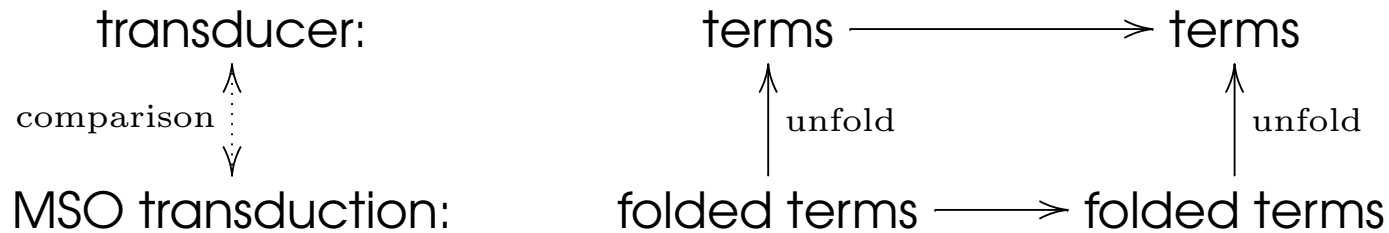
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$a \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{F}'}, i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
 $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
 $n \in \mathbb{N}$

MSO-formulas $\phi_{a,i,j}(x, y)$ and $\rho_i(x, y)$ over the signature $(E_a)_{a \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}}$

For a folded term $G = (V_G, E_G)$ with root r_G , M **defines a folded term** $M(G) = (V_{M(G)}, E_{M(G)})$ with root $r_{M(G)}$:

- $V_{M(G)} = V \times [1, n]$
- $((v, i), a, (u, j)) \in E_{M(G)}$ iff $G \models \phi_{a,i,j}(v, u)$
- $r_{M(G)} = (u, i)$ for the **unique** u and i with $G \models \rho_i(r_G, u)$.

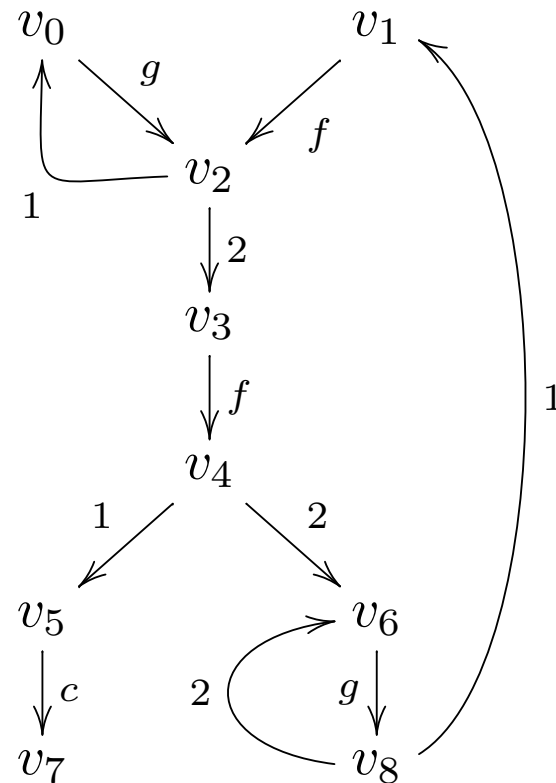
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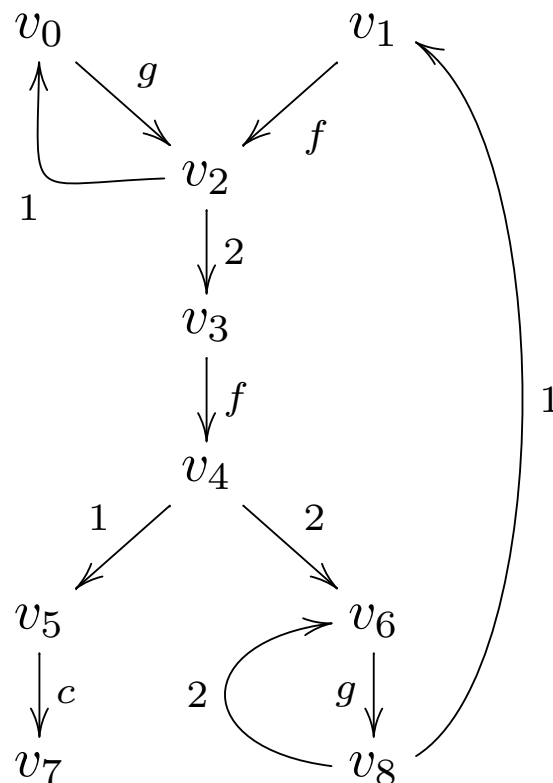
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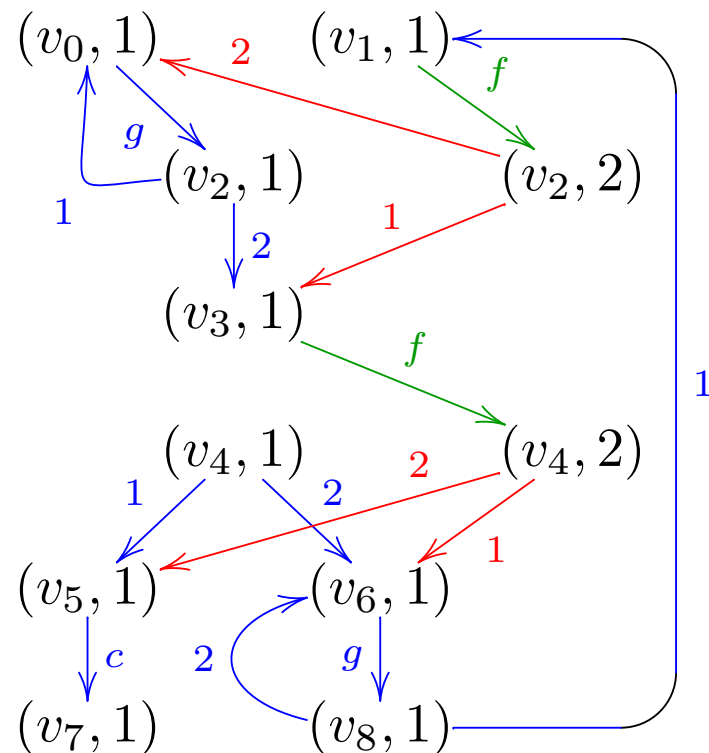
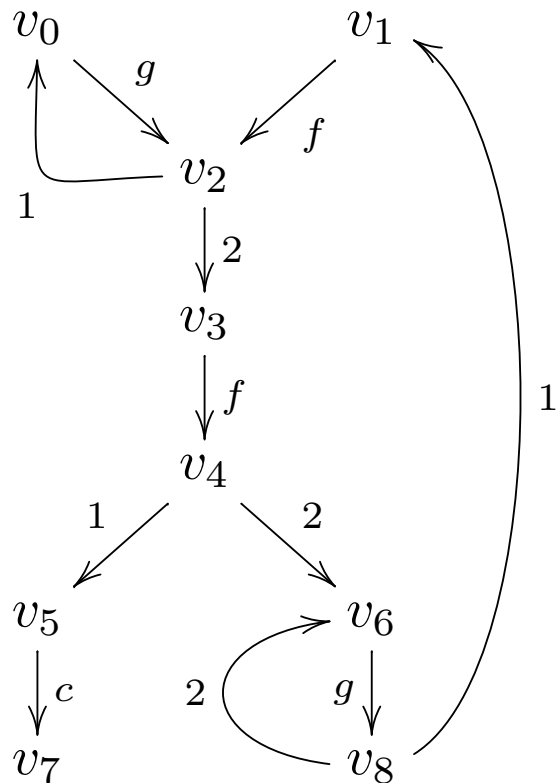
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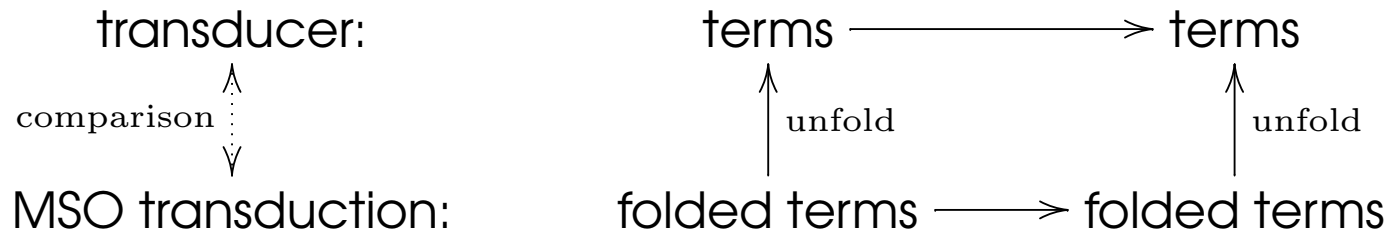
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BISIMILARITY PRESERVING TRANSDUCTIONS

An MSO Transduction M is **bisimilarity preserving** if for any two rooted folded terms G, G' :

$$\text{unfold}(G) = \text{unfold}(G') \Rightarrow \text{unfold}(M(G)) = \text{unfold}(M(G'))$$

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More precisely:

- (i) For each deterministic transducer T there exists a bisimilarity preserving MSO transduction M_T such that for all folded terms G :

$$\text{unfold}(M_T(G)) = T(\text{unfold}(G))$$

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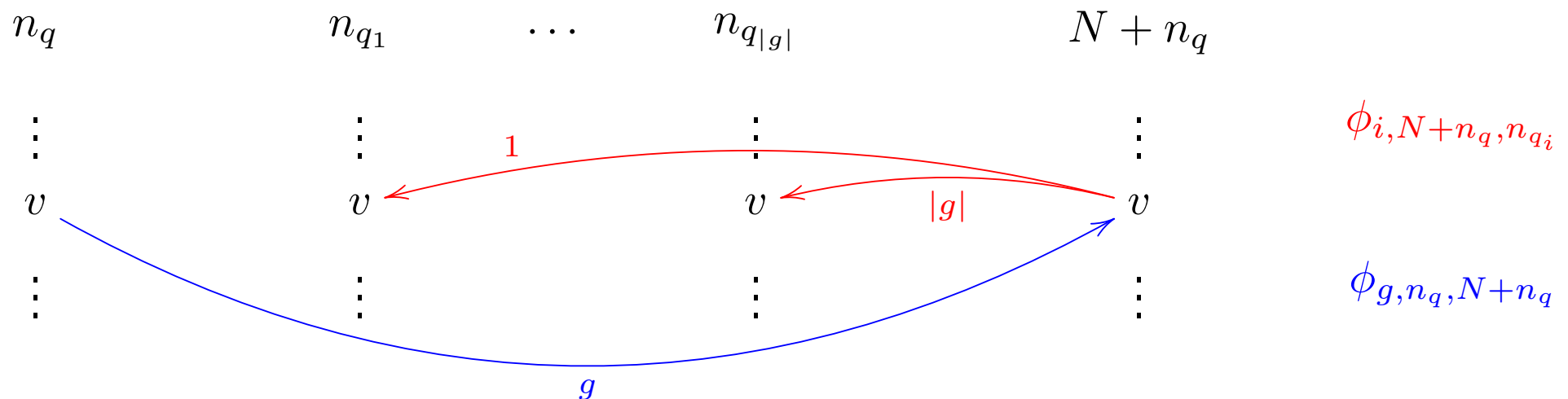
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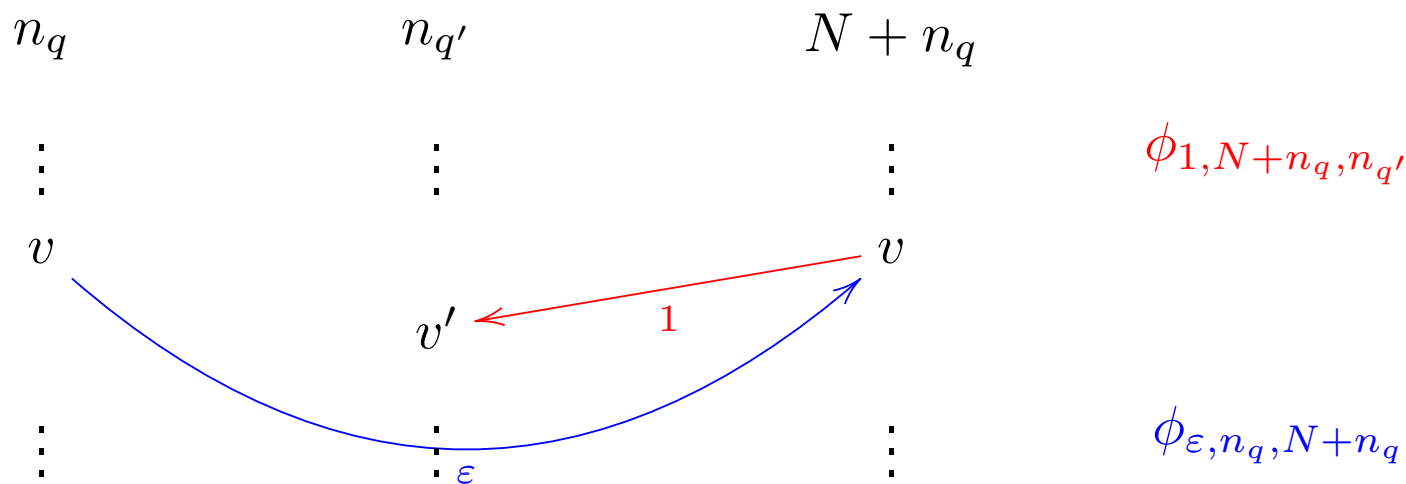
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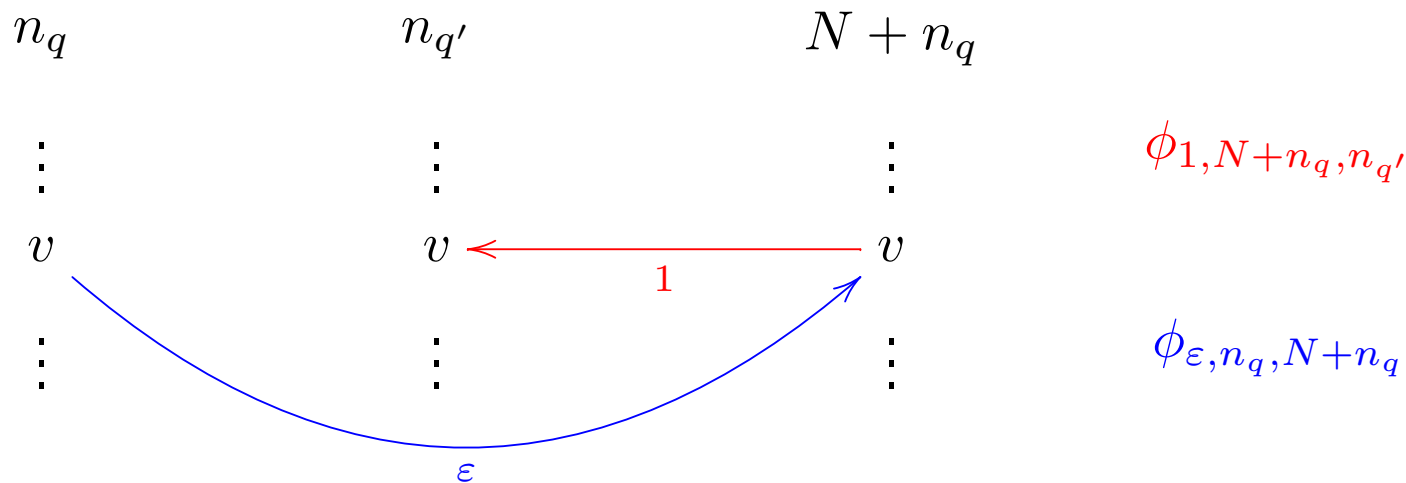


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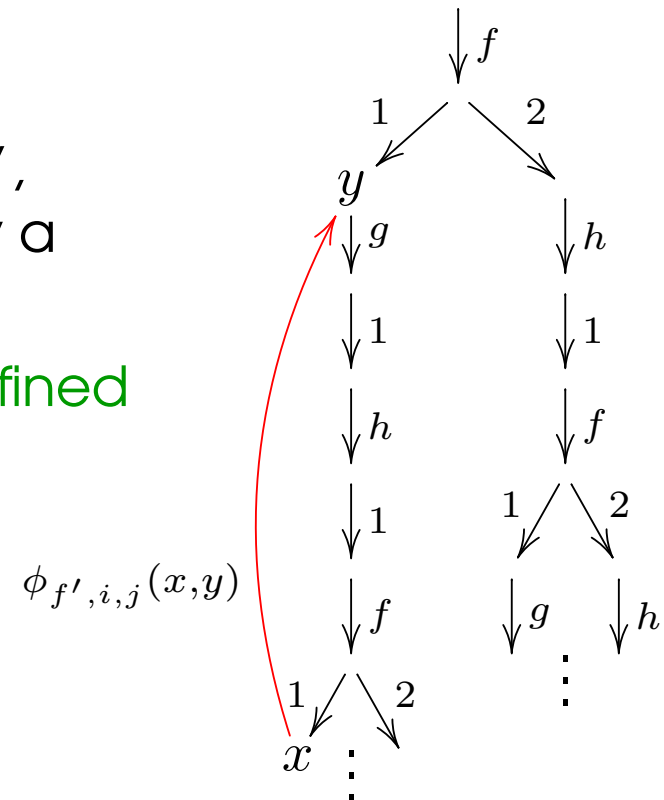
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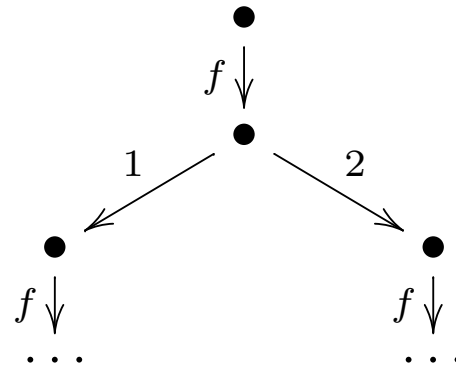
- Transducers work top-down.
- If M defines **new edges** 'going upward', these edges cannot be constructed by a finite state transducer.

\Rightarrow In a first step normalize M such that defined edges are 'going downward'.



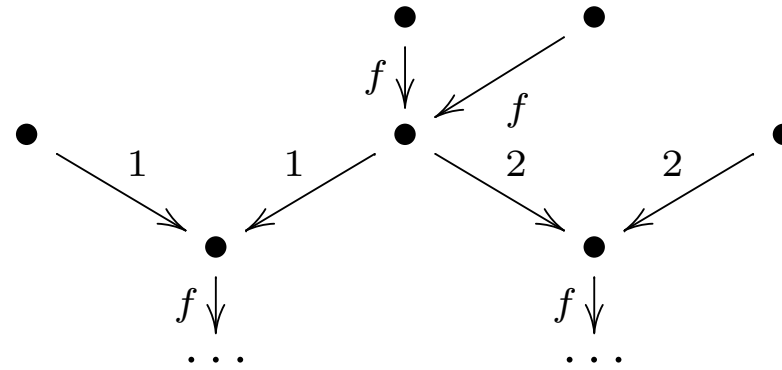
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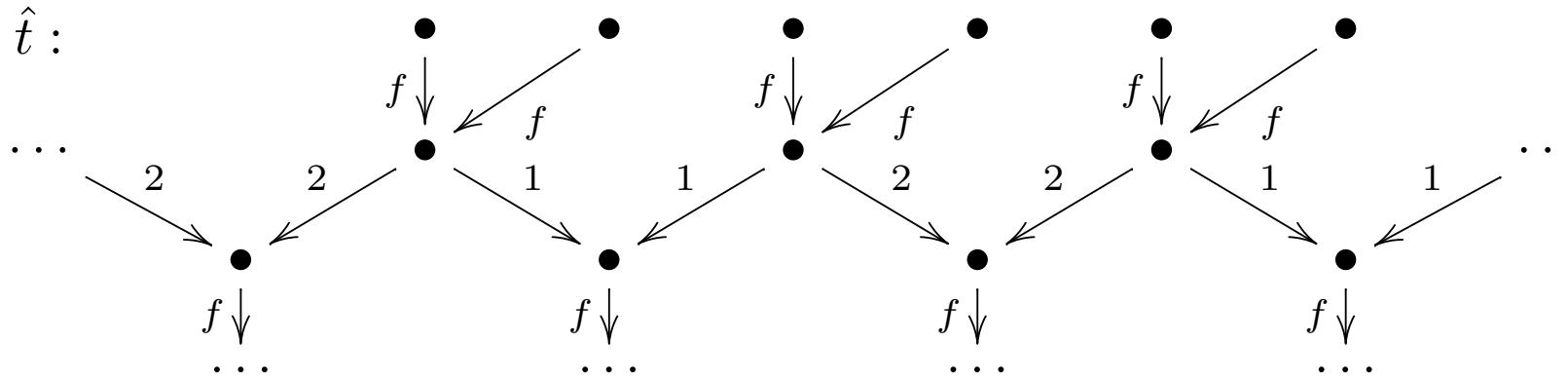


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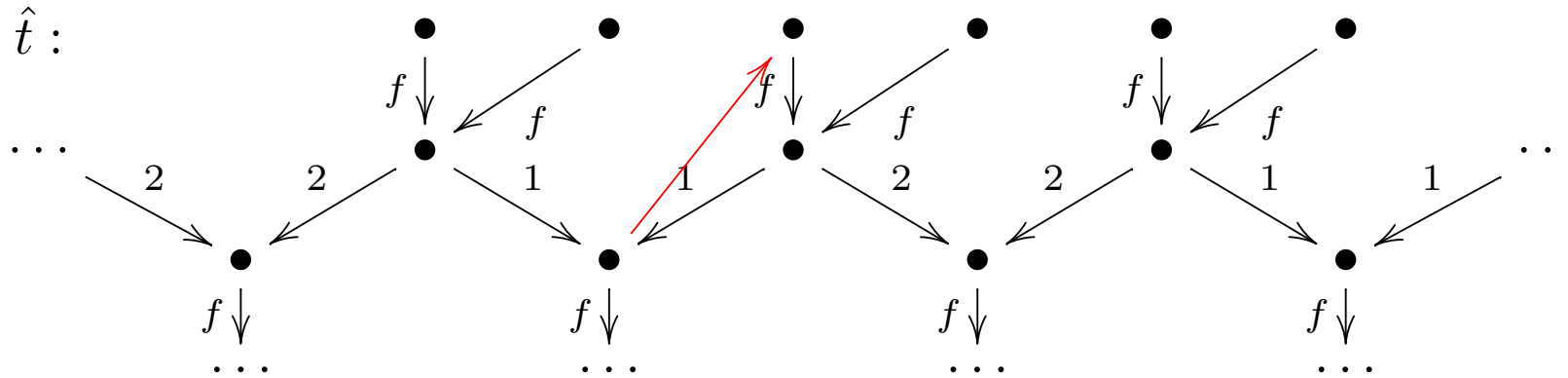
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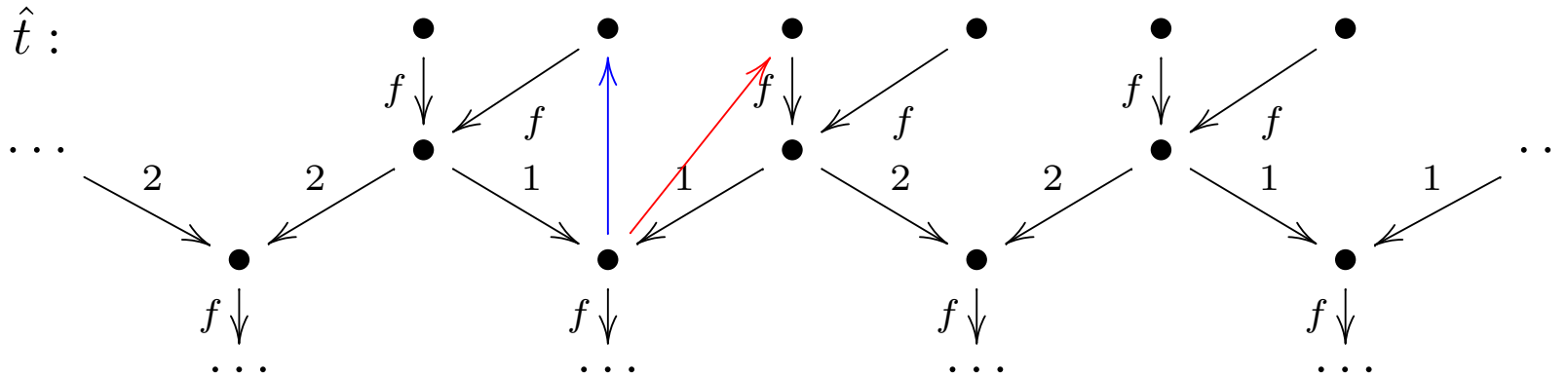


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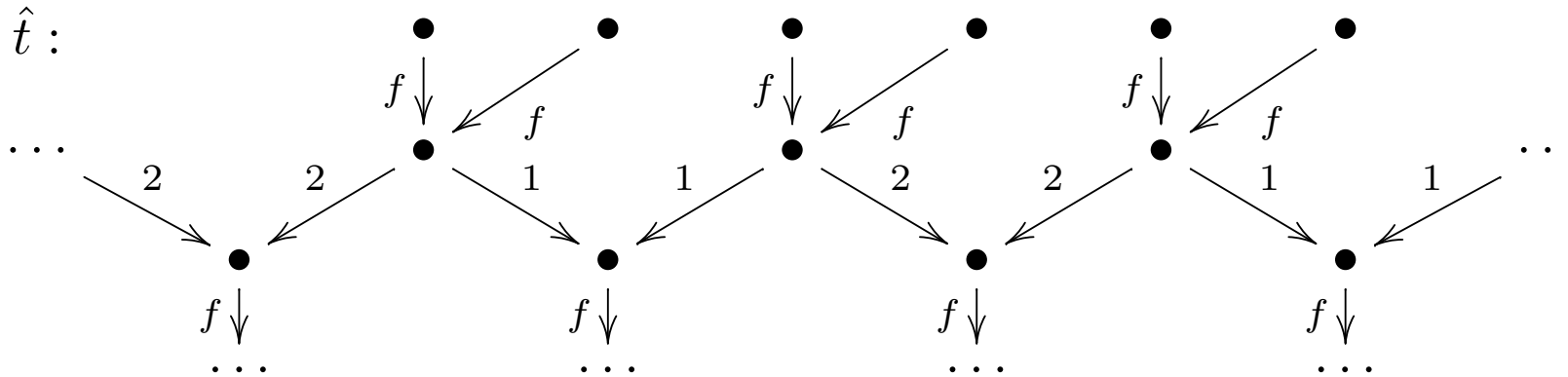


Consider M on \hat{t} (with root inherited from t) and assume a **new edge goes upward**.

Then the same formula defines **another edge with the same origin**.

Hence $M(\hat{t})$ is not a folded term.

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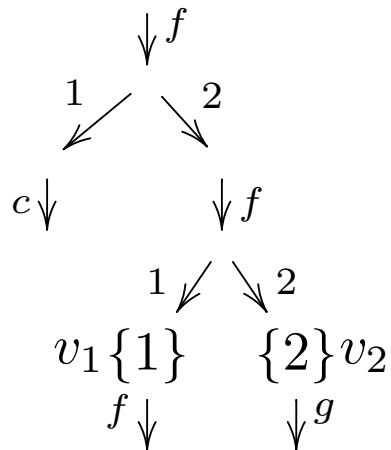
- In \hat{t} the edges defined by M are going downward.
- The formulas $\phi_{a,i,j}$ on \hat{t} can be transformed into formulas $\hat{\phi}_{a,i,j}$ on t (\hat{t} can be obtained from t by the Muchnik/Walukiewicz construction).
- The new MSO transduction \hat{M} using the formulas $\hat{\phi}_{a,i,j}$ has the following properties:
 - $\text{unfold}(M(t)) = \text{unfold}(\hat{M}(t))$
 - The edges defined by \hat{M} are going downward.

NORMALIZED TRANSDUCTION \rightarrow TRANSDUCER

Rough sketch:

- Normalized Transduction $M = (\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}, \Sigma_{\mathcal{F}'}, (\phi_{a,i,j}(x,y)), (\rho_i(x,y)), n)$
- Transform formulas $\phi_{a,i,j}(x,y)$ into (Rabin) tree automata accepting 'marked terms':

$$t : \{g\}v_0$$



$\mathcal{A}_{g,i,j_1,j_2}$ accepts t if for some ℓ and v

$$t \models \phi_{g,i,\ell}(v_0, v)$$

$$t \models \phi_{1,\ell,j_1}(v, v_1)$$

$$t \models \phi_{1,\ell,j_2}(v, v_2)$$

- Transducer T_M keeps track of the states of the automata $\mathcal{A}_{a,i,j_1,\dots,j_k}$ while going through the term.
- The lookahead is used to check for which automaton there exists a marking that is accepted. This information is used to construct the next edge.

CONCLUSION

- For every deterministic transducer there is an equivalent MSO transduction.
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- For every bisimilarity preserving MSO transduction there is an equivalent deterministic transducer.
 \rightsquigarrow deterministic transducers are expressively complete for MSO logic
- Transducers are more handy than MSO transductions concerning their construction and the proofs of correctness (cf. thesis of T. Colcombet)

Open:

- We assume that M is bisimilarity preserving for finite and infinite folded terms. Can one transfer the result if M has this property only for finite folded terms?
- Transfer (and analyze) other models of transducers that have been defined for finite terms to the infinite world.