

Logic in Action

Chapter 5: Logic, Information and Knowledge

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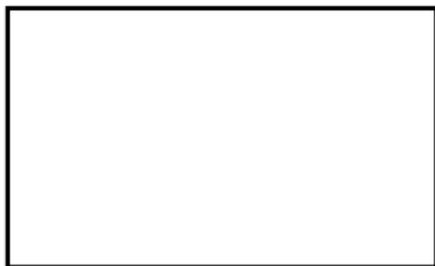
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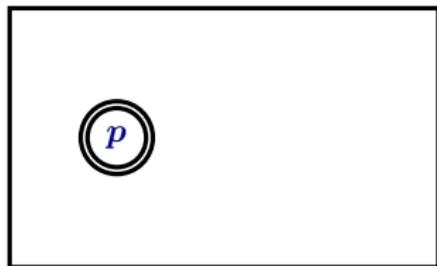
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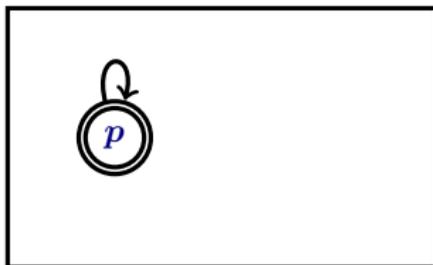
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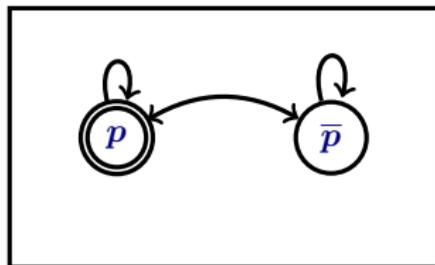
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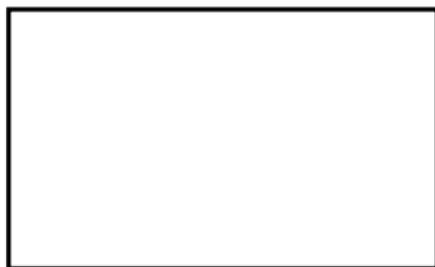
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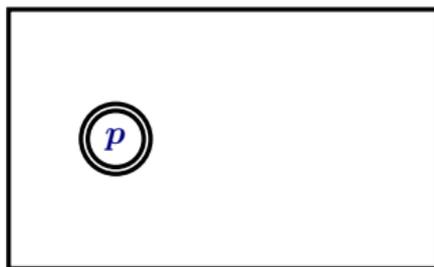
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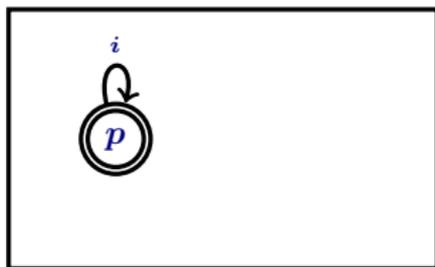
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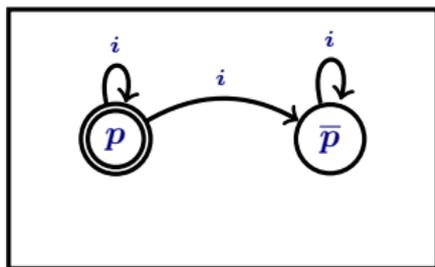
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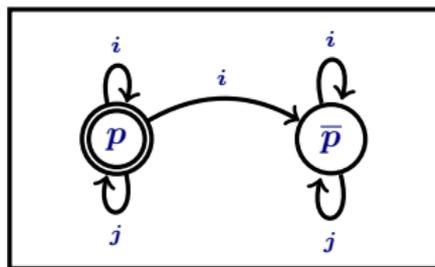
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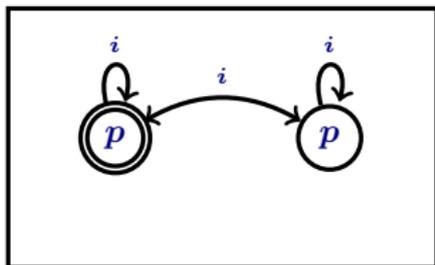
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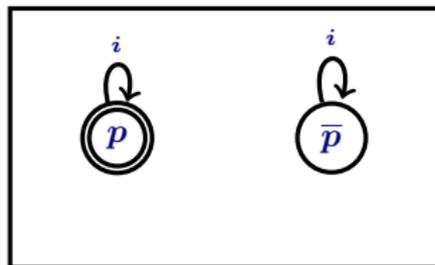
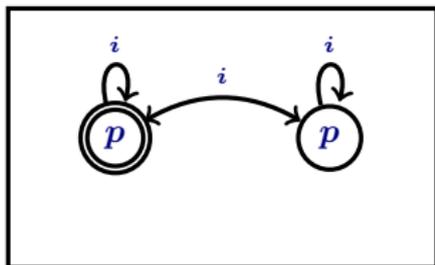
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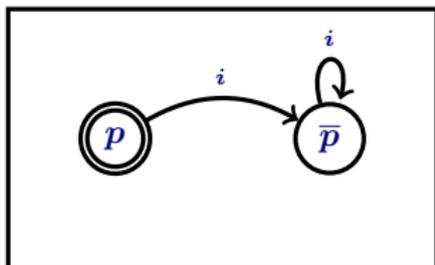
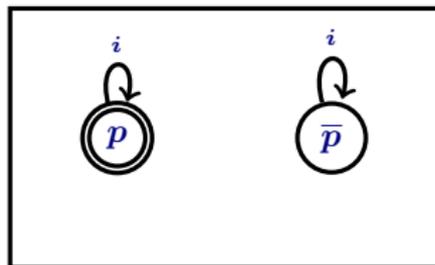
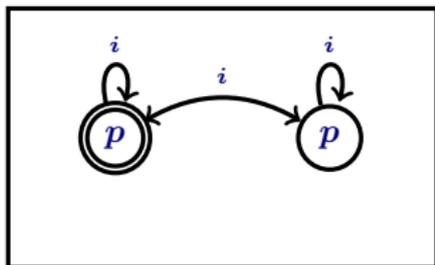
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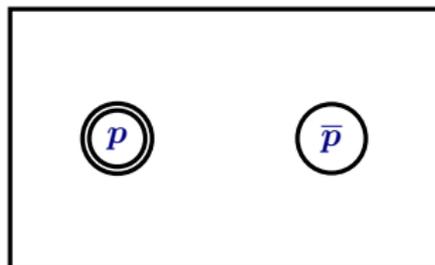
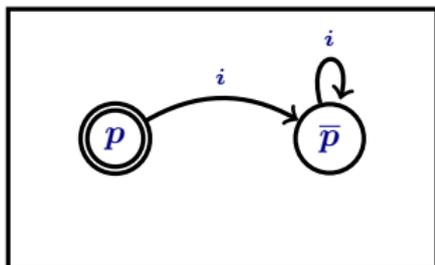
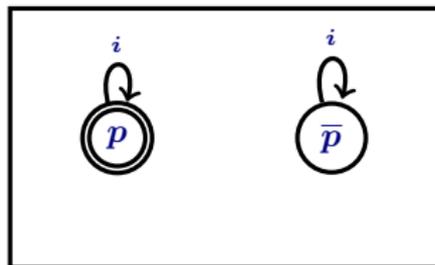
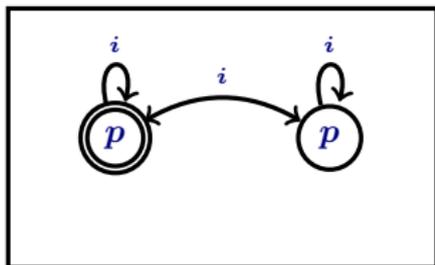
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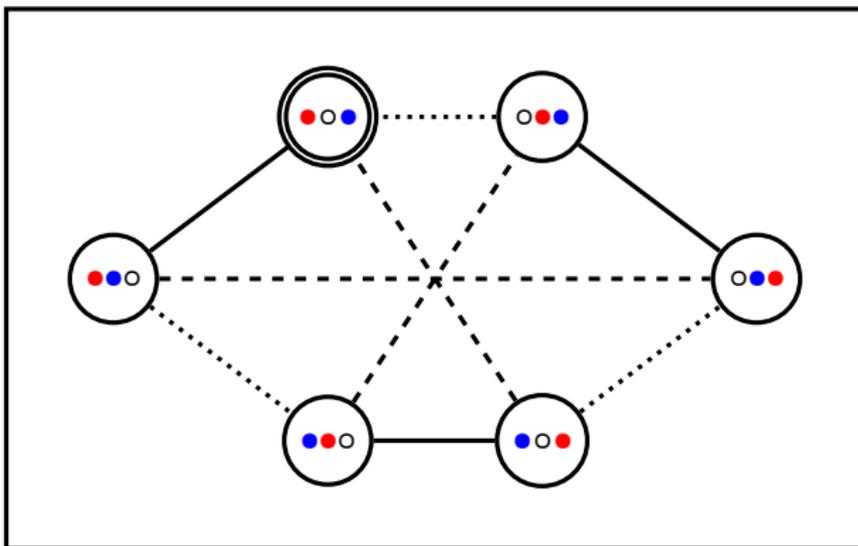


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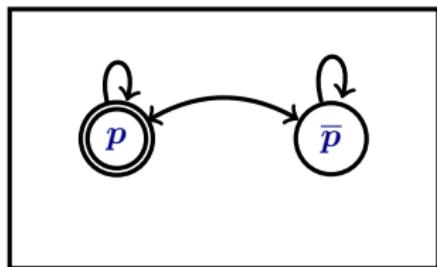
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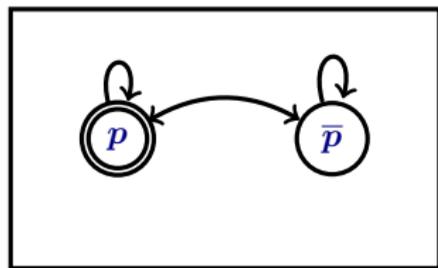
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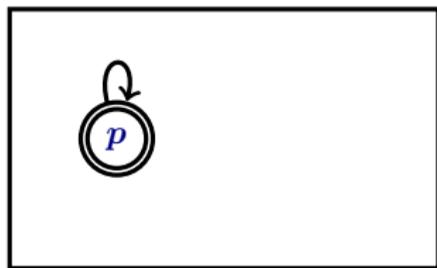


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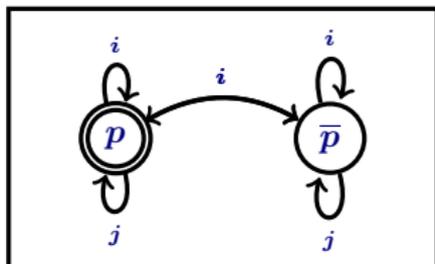


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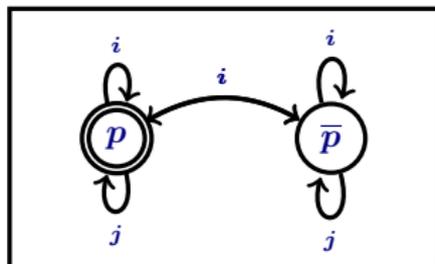
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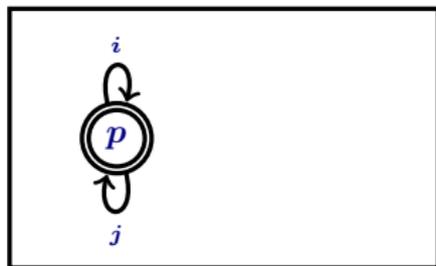


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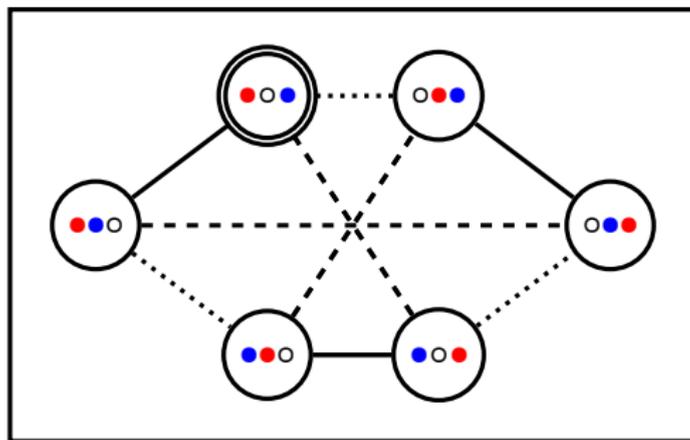


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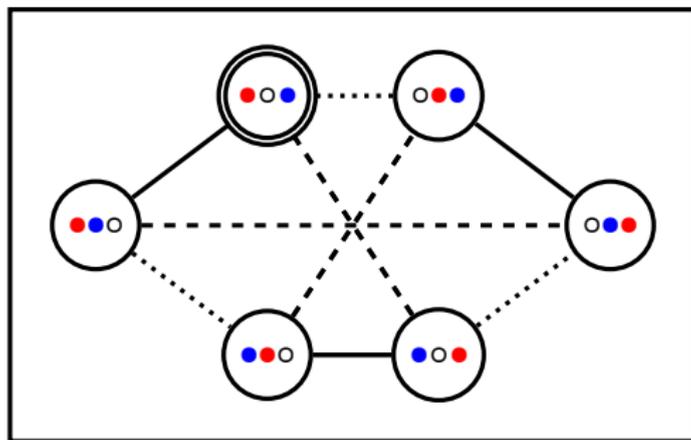
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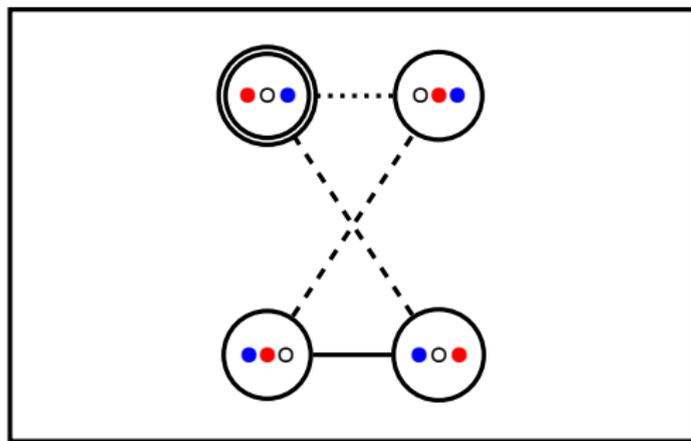
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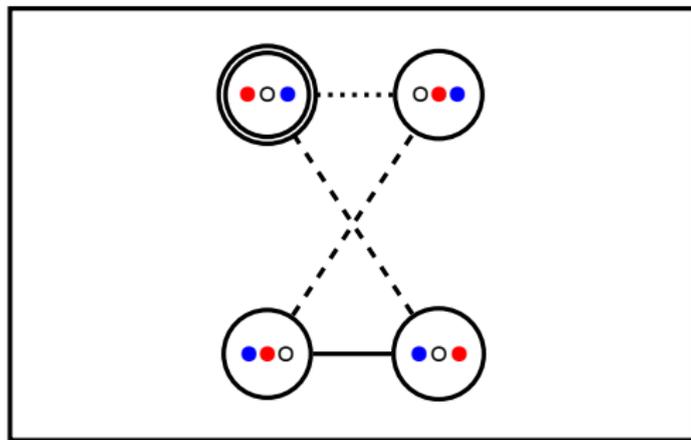
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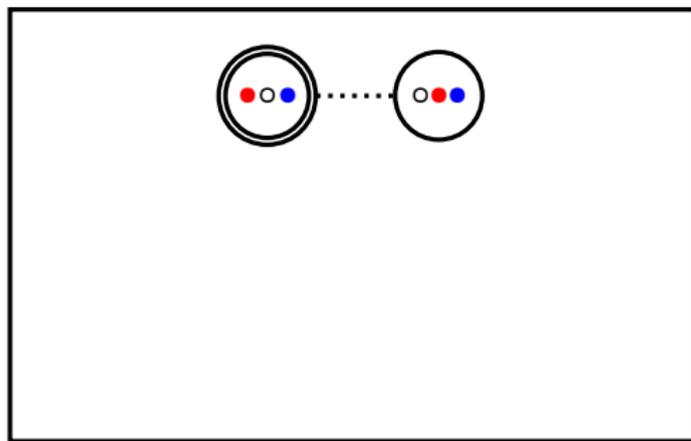
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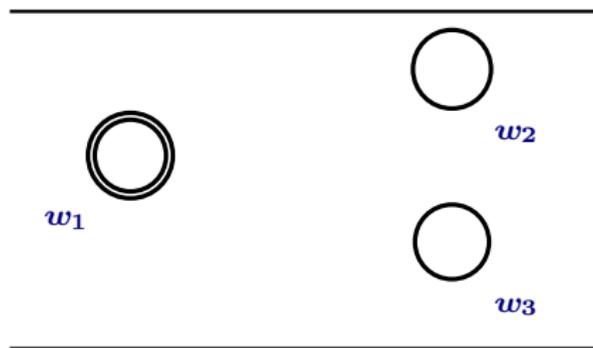
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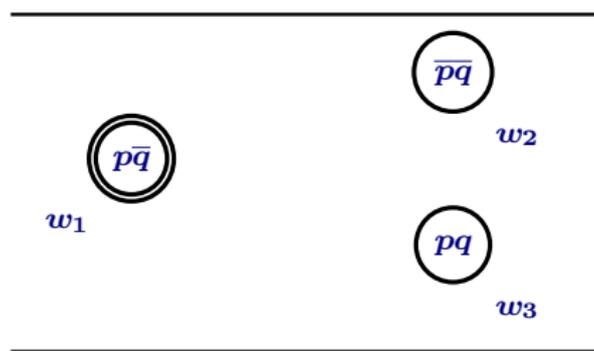


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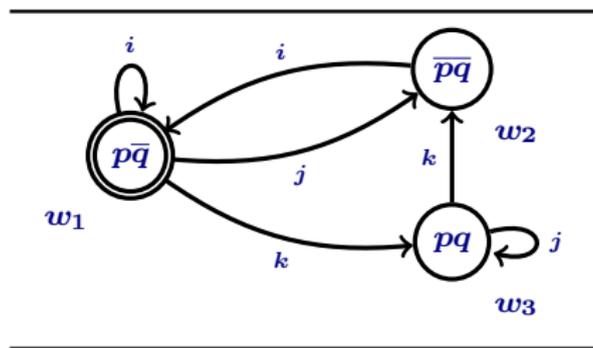


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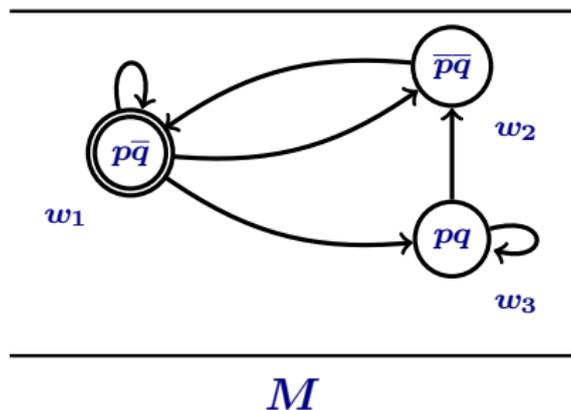
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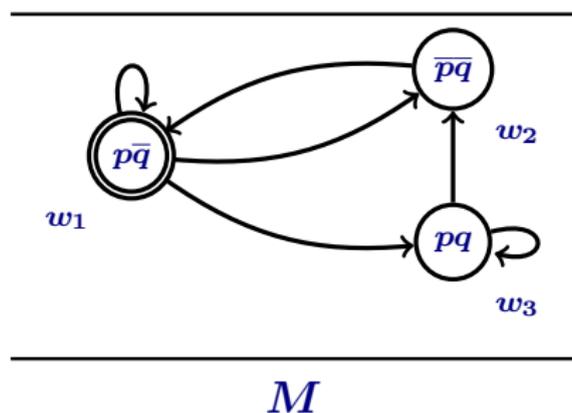
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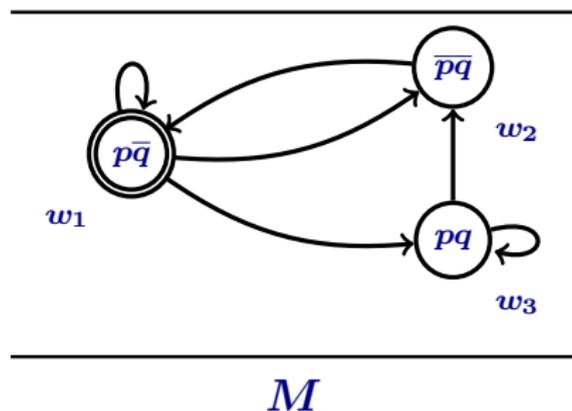
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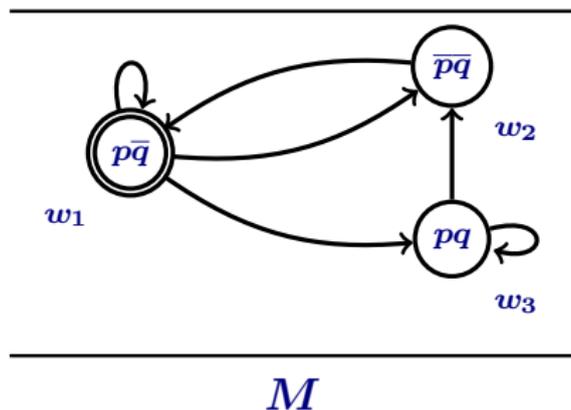
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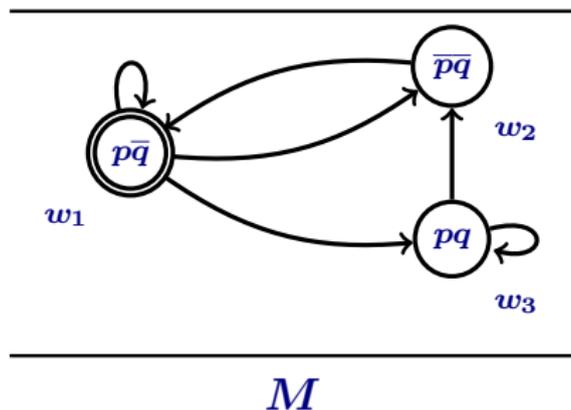
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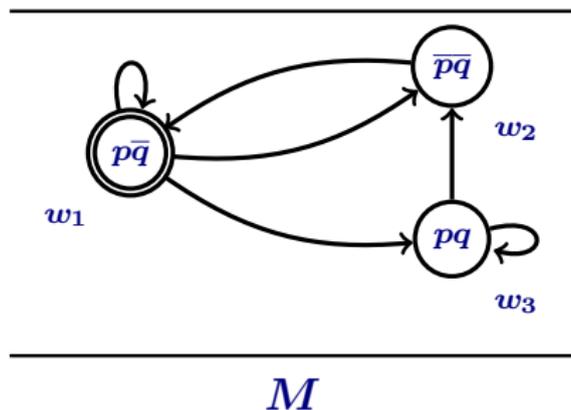
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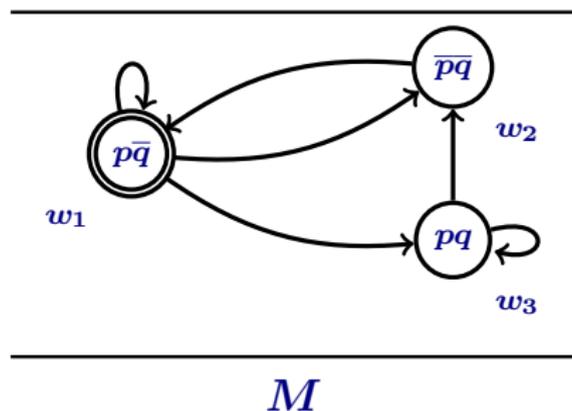
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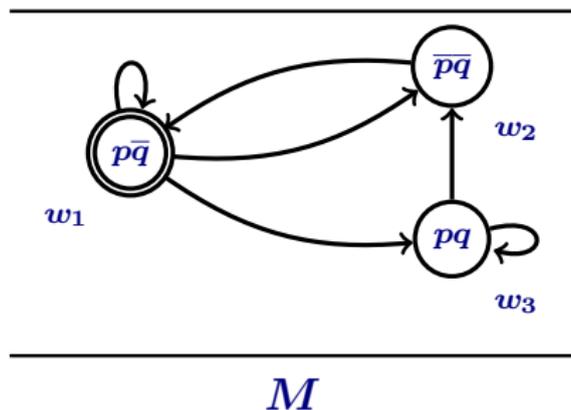
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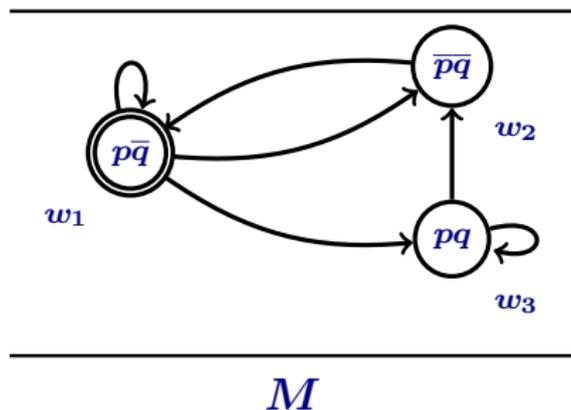
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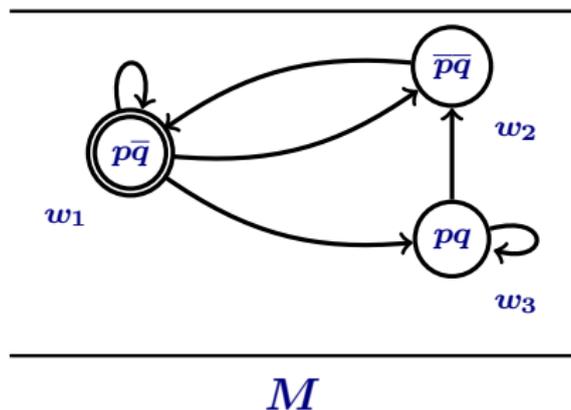
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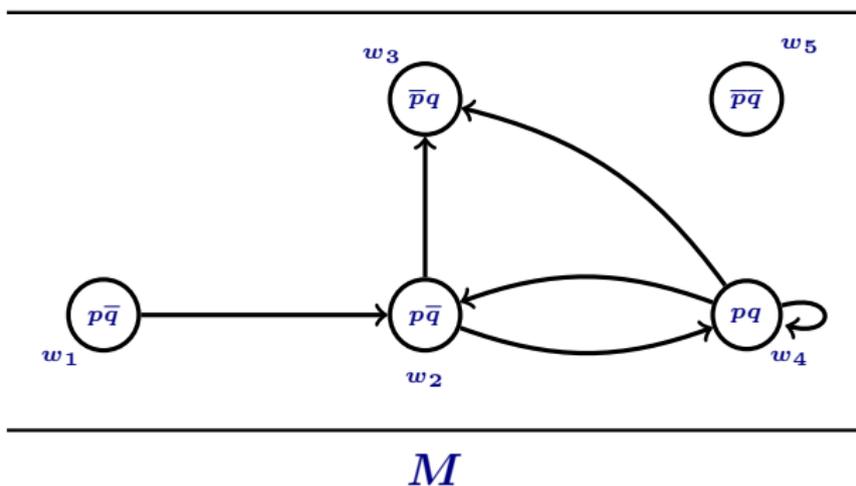
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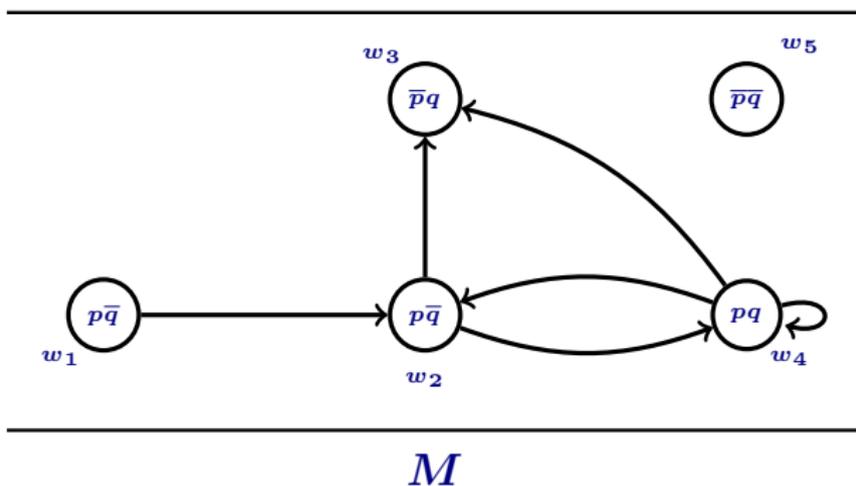
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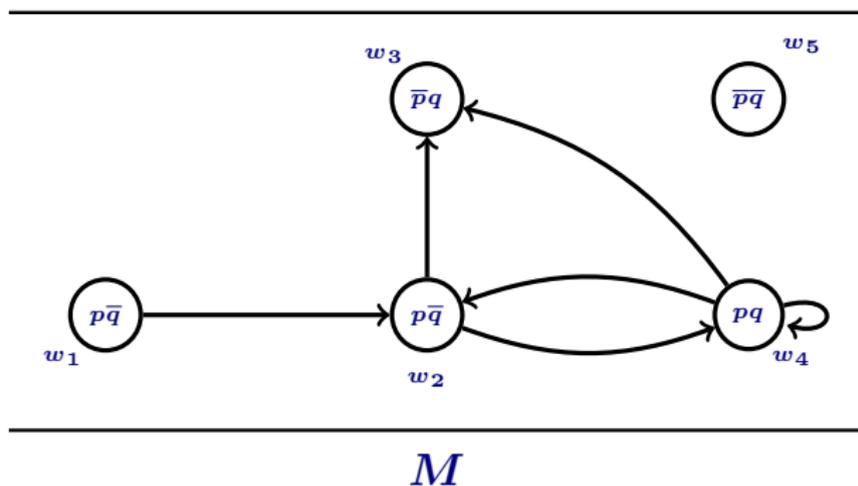
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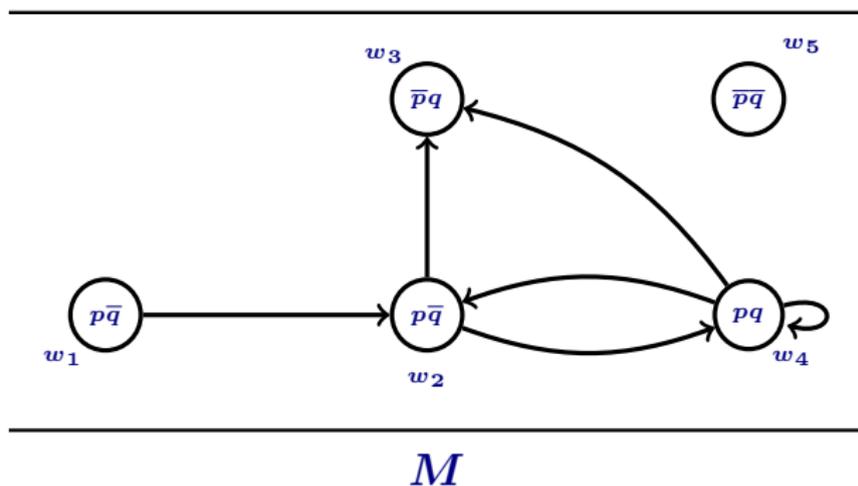
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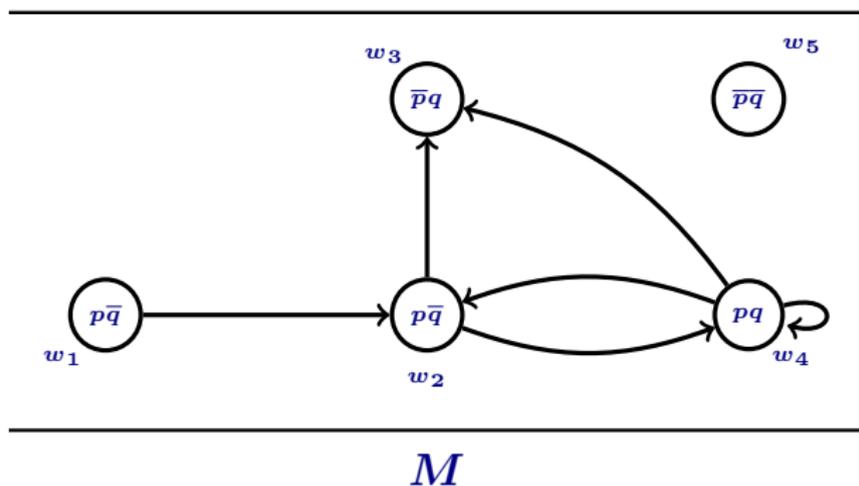
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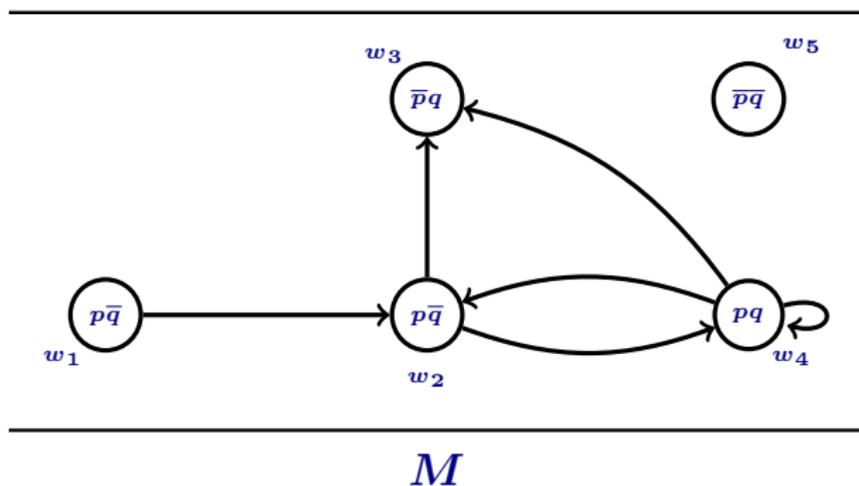
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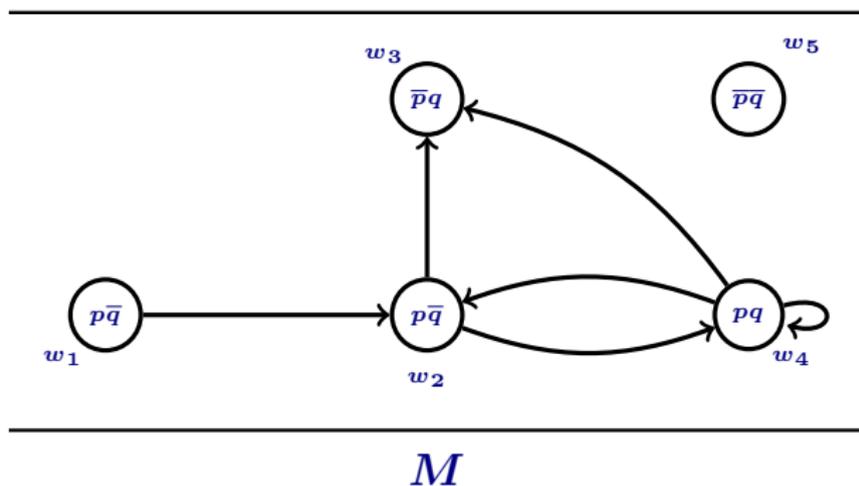
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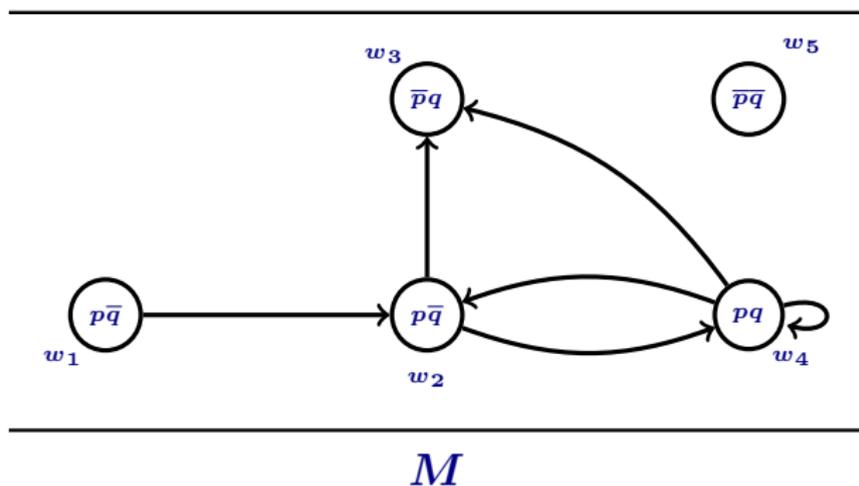
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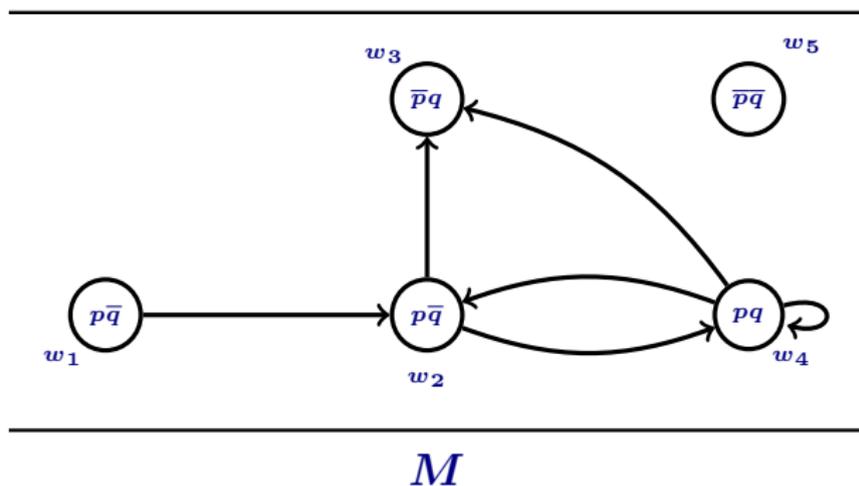
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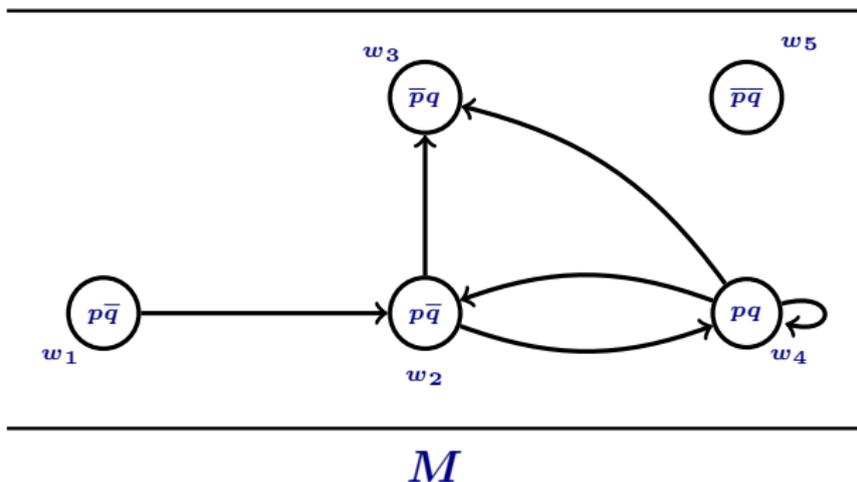
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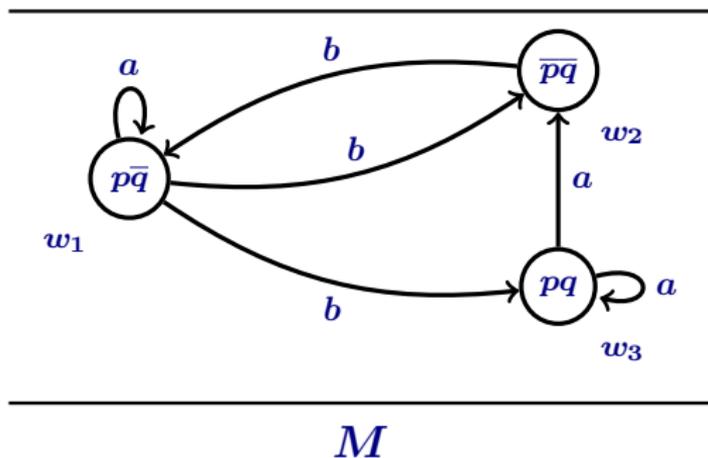
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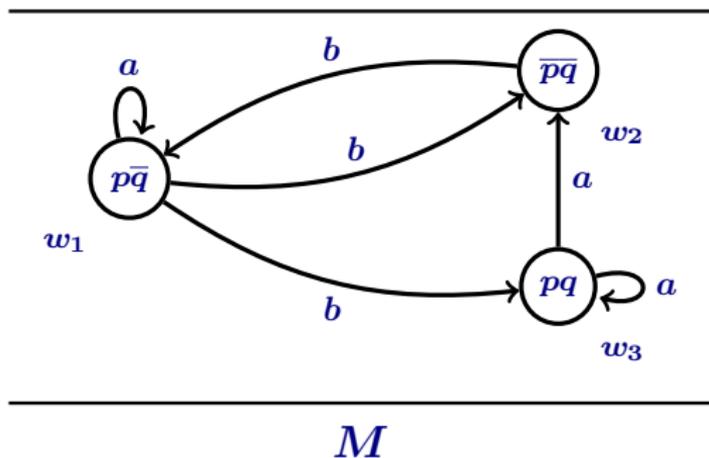


For each world in the model, provide a formula that is true only in that world and false in all the others.

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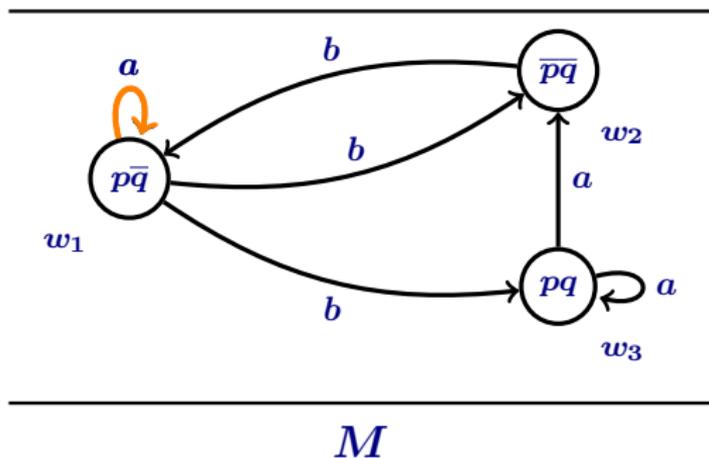


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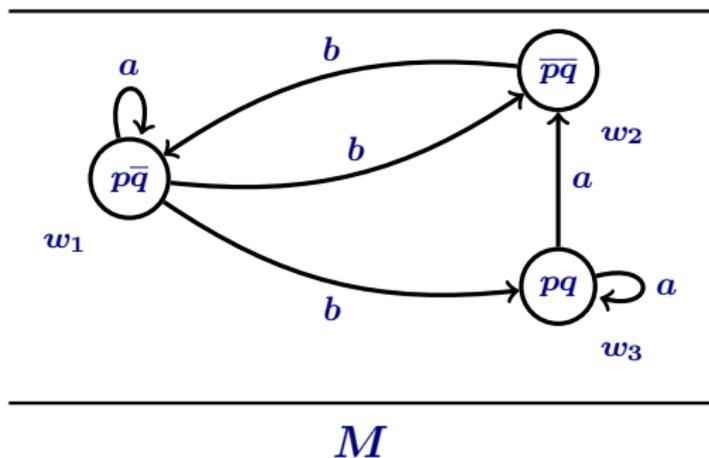
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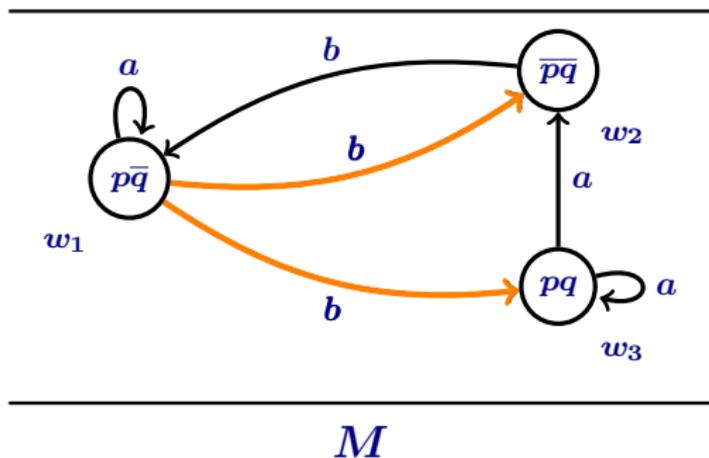
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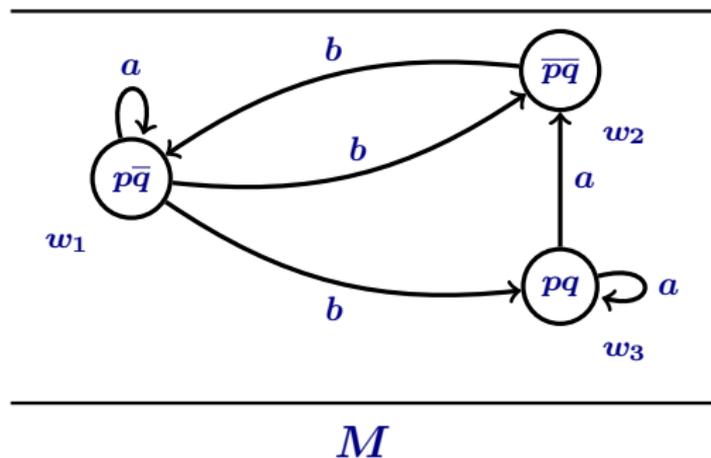
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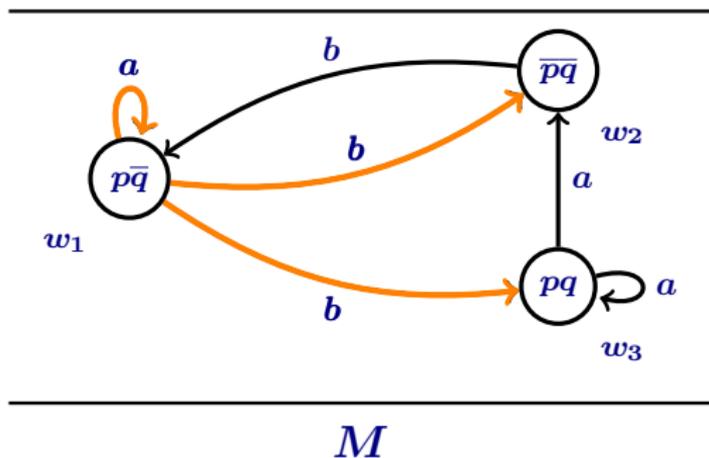
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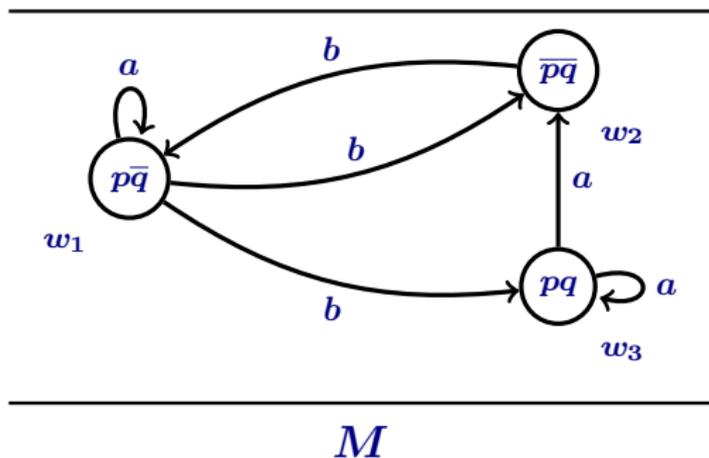
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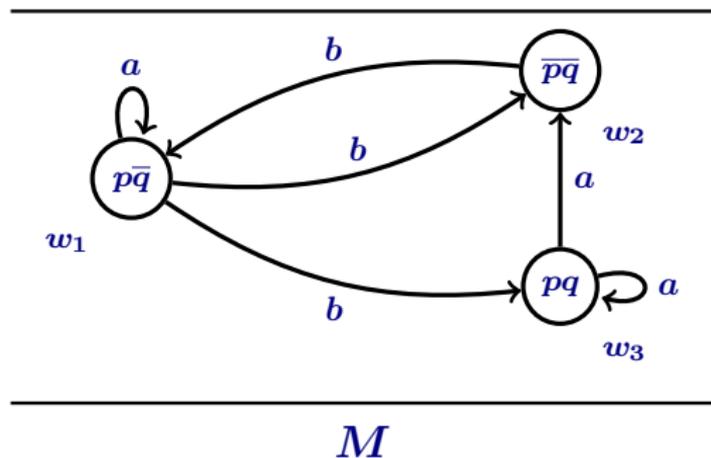
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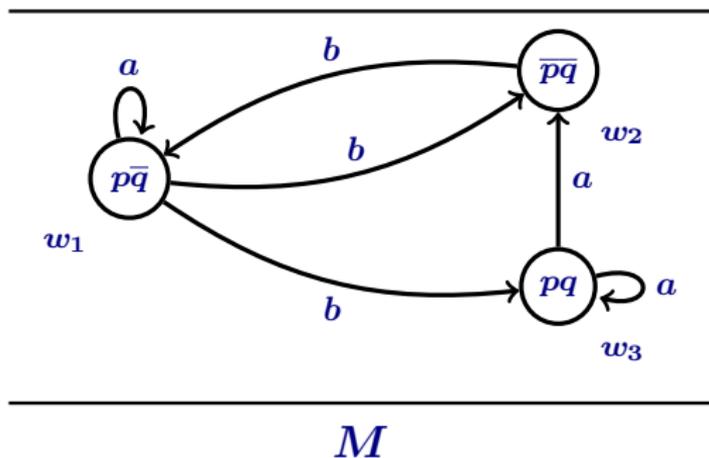
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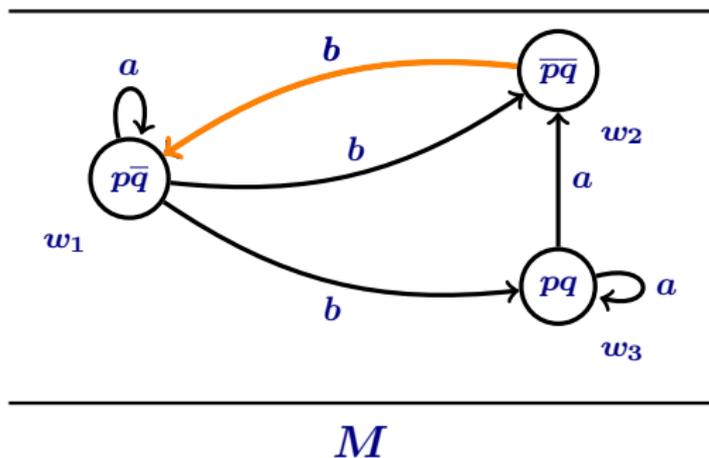
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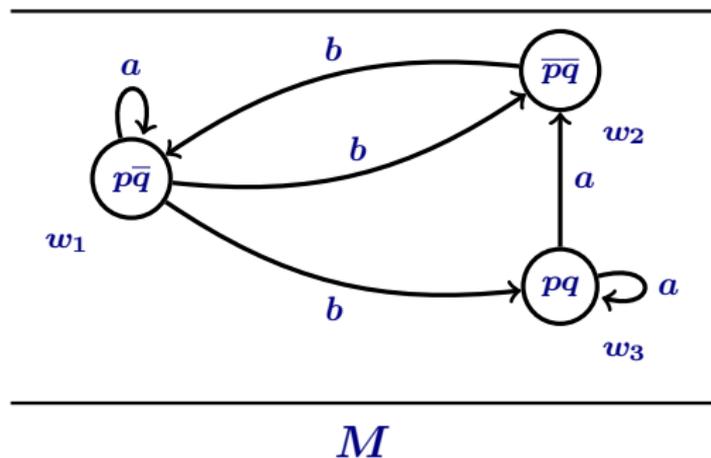
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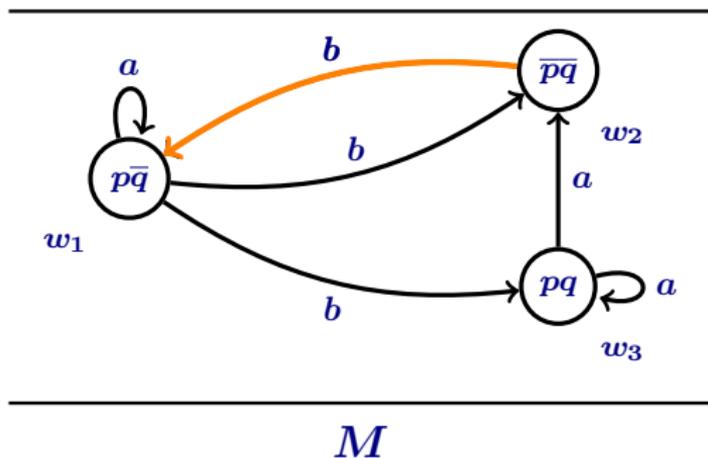
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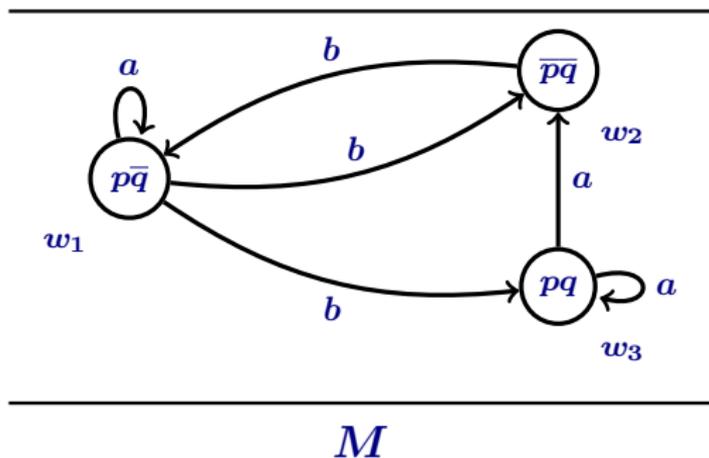
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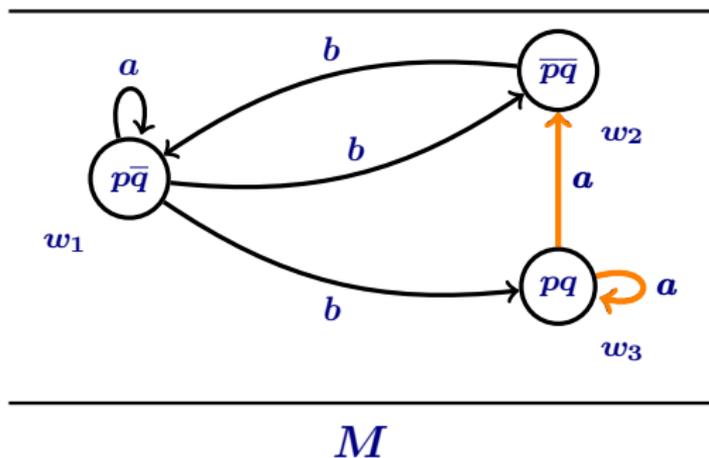
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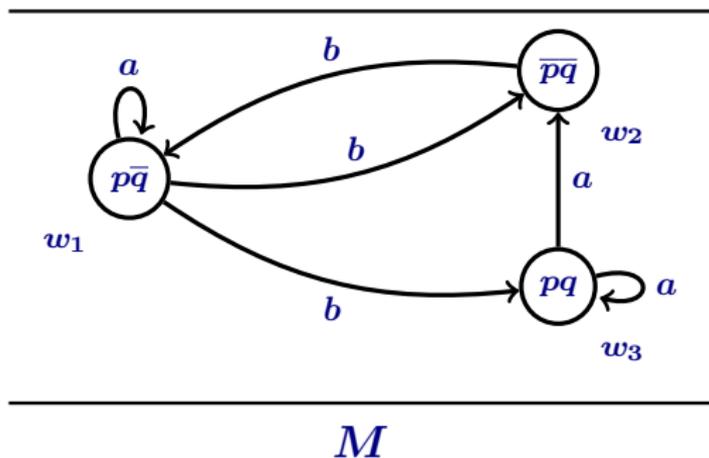
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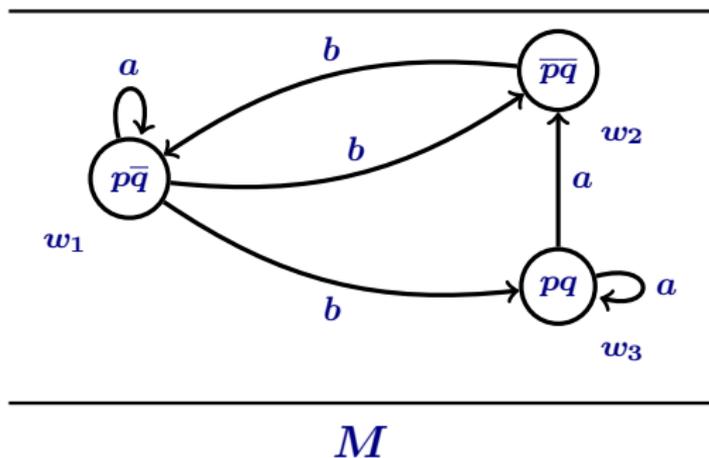
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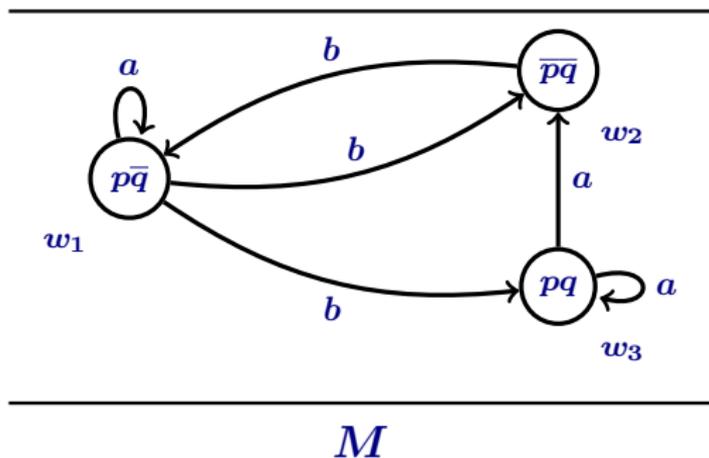
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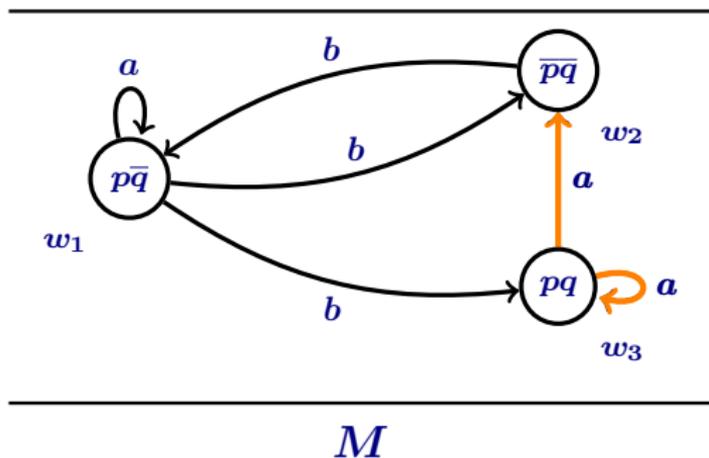
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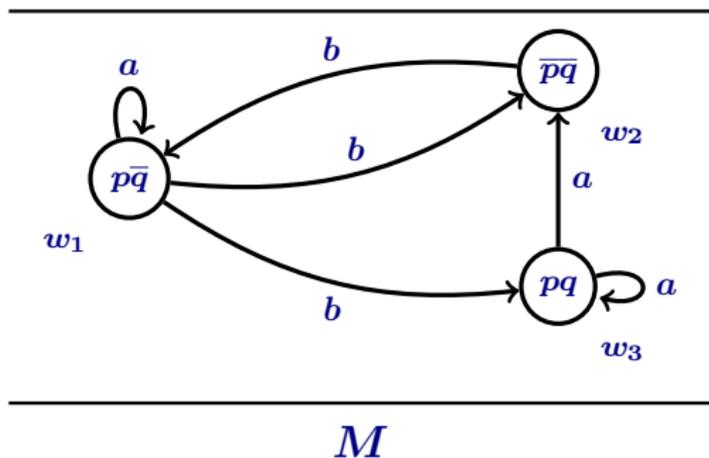
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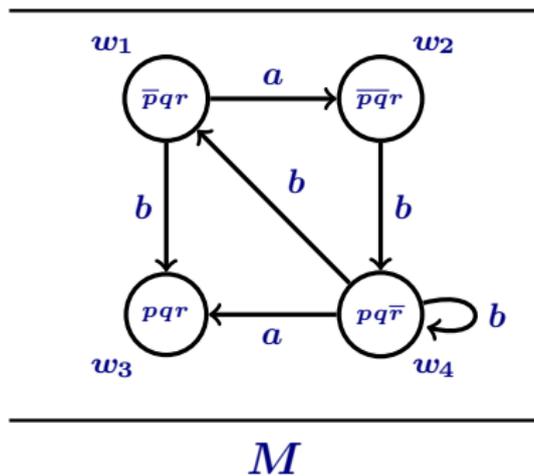
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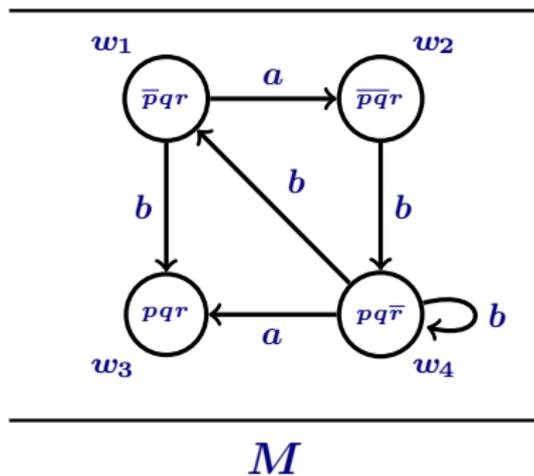


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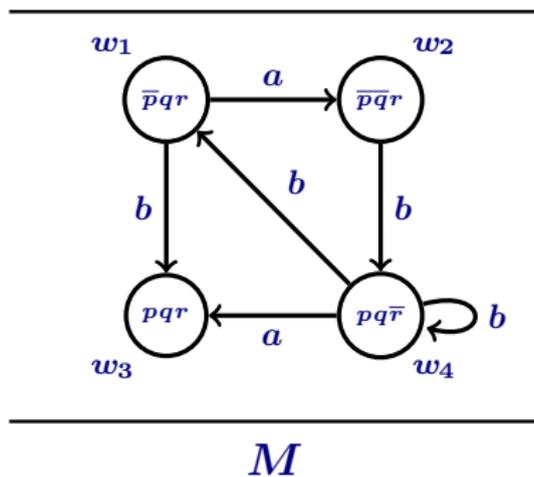
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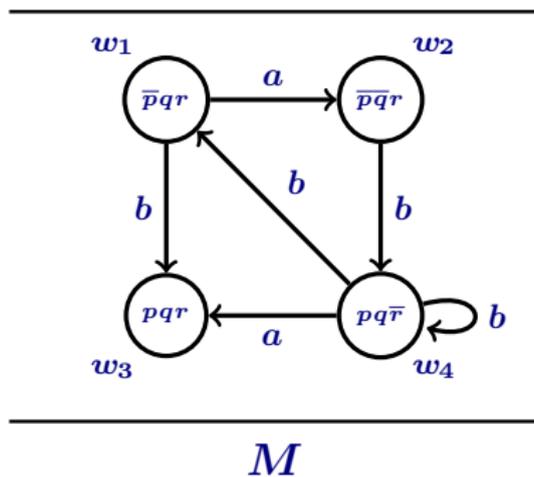
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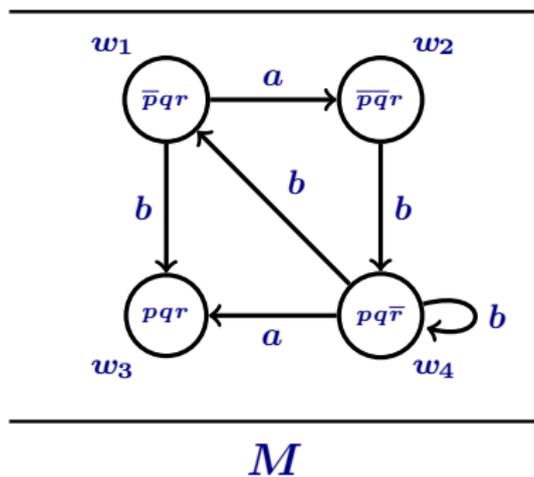
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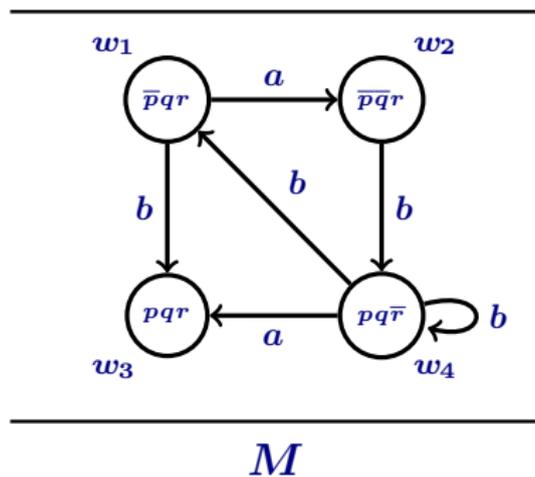
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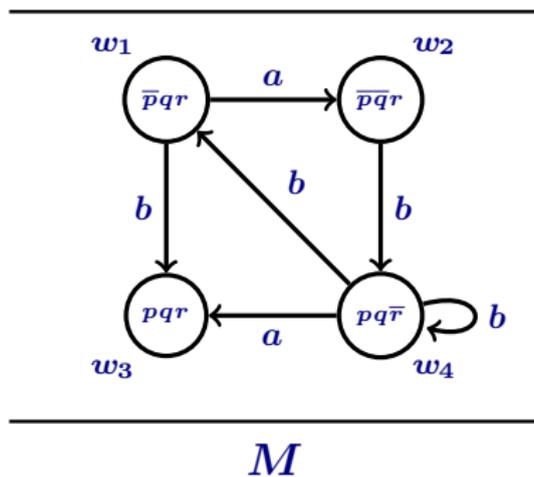
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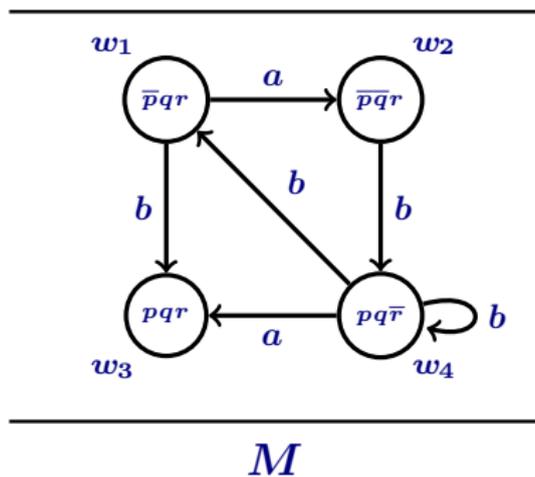
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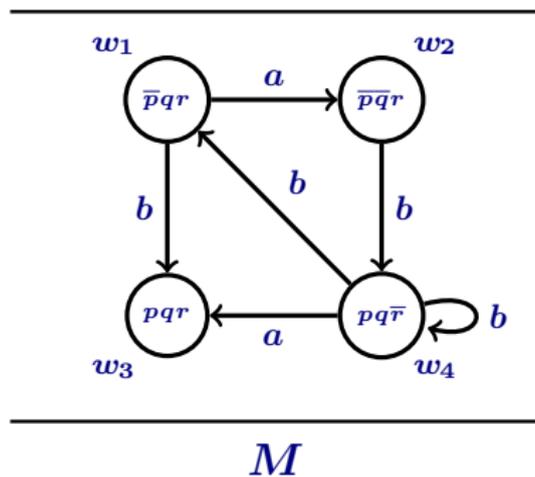
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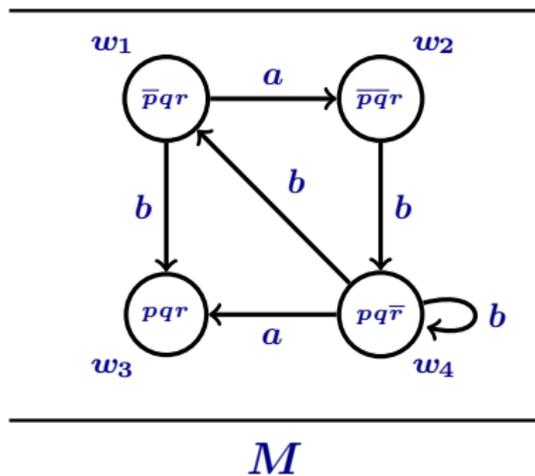
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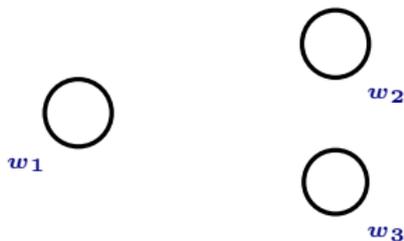
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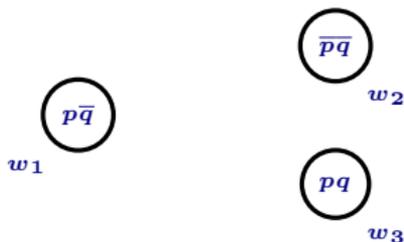
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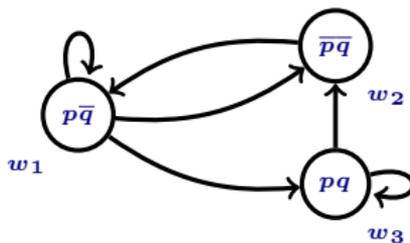
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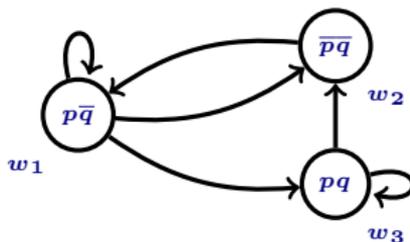
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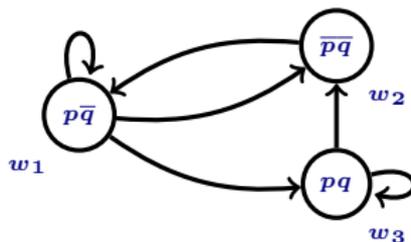


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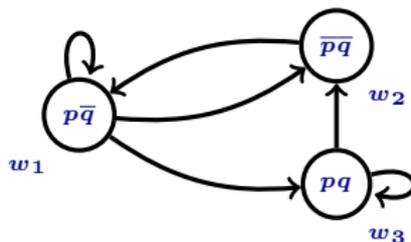
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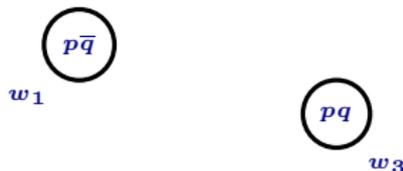
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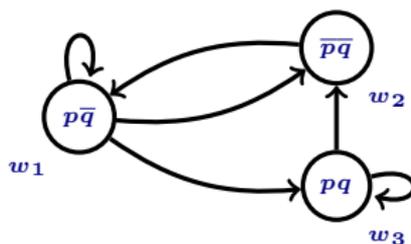
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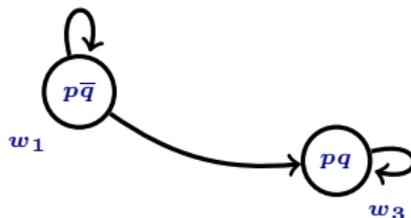
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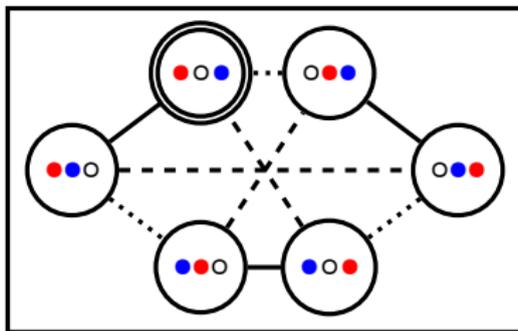
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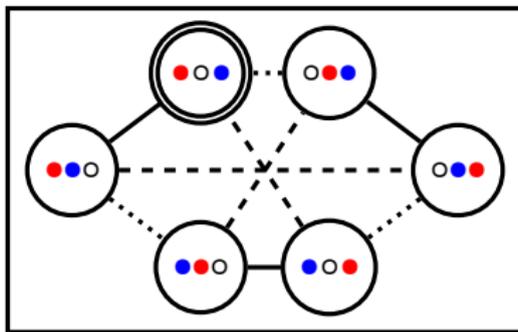
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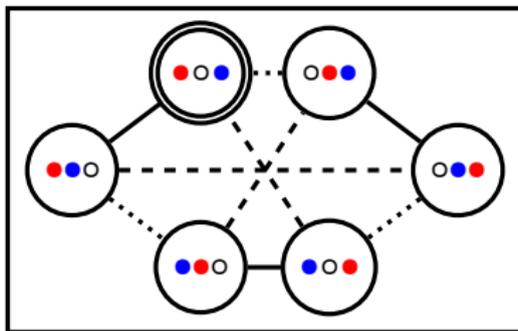
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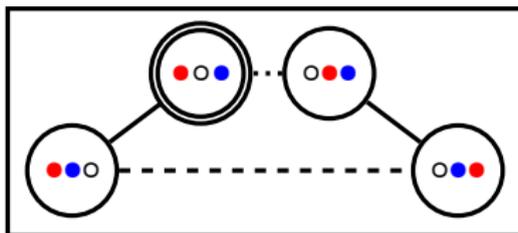
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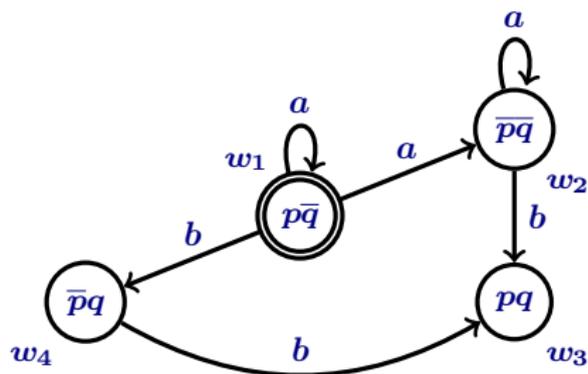
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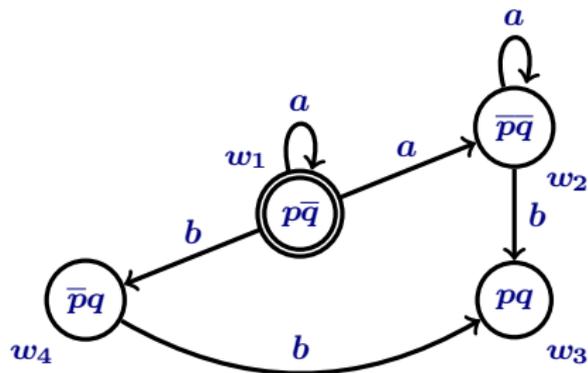
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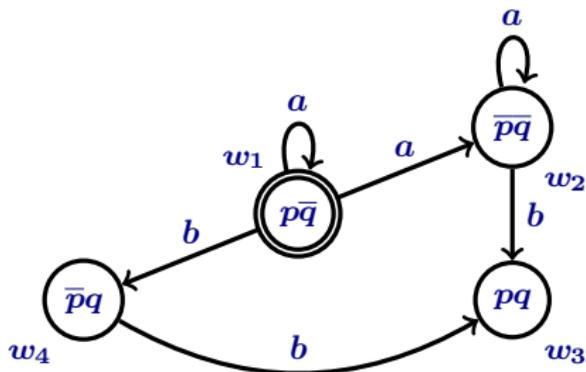
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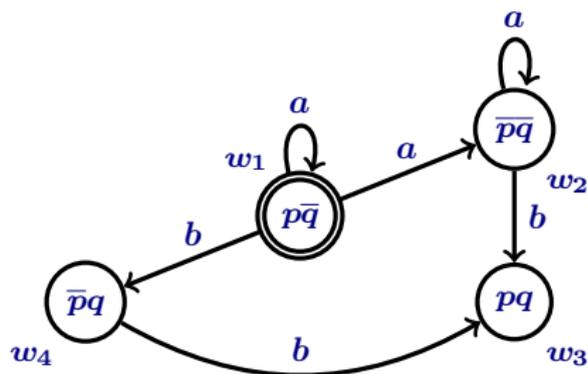
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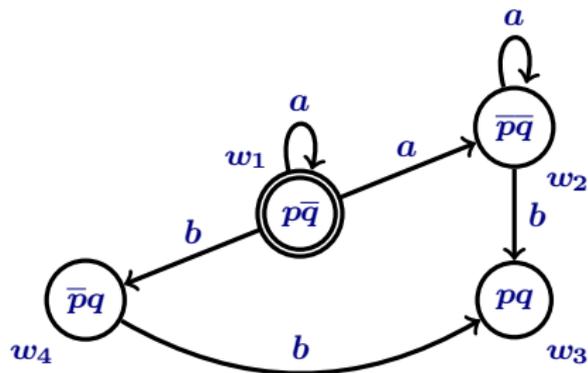
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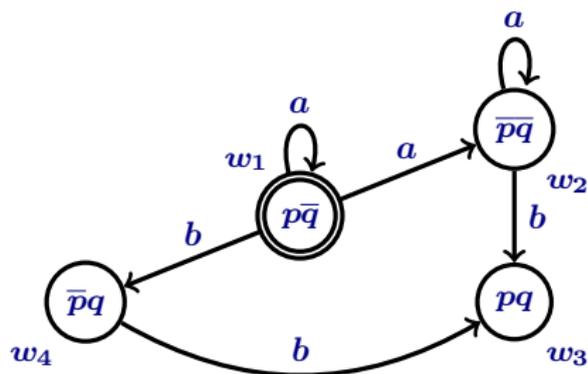
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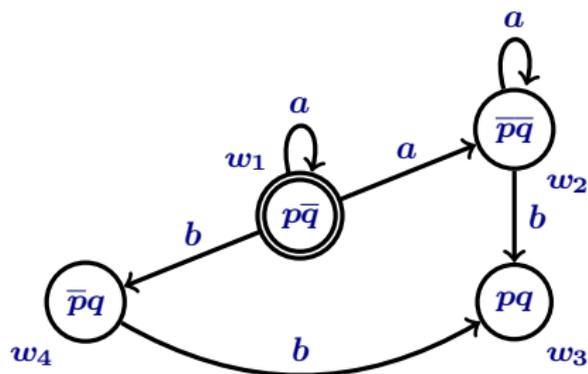
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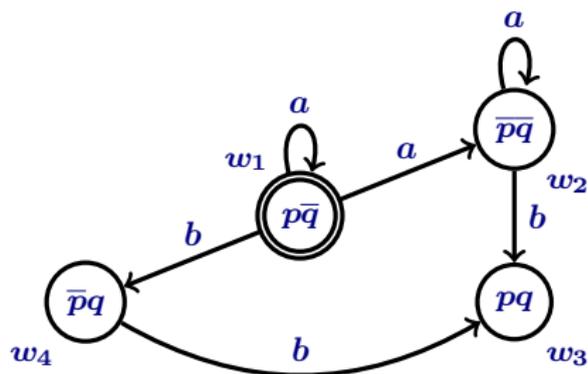
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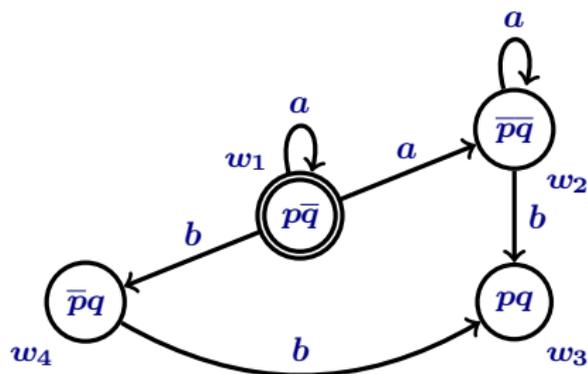
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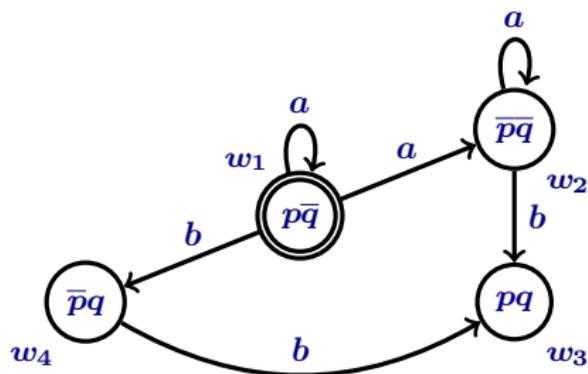
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