

Developing Reasonable Programs

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...languages

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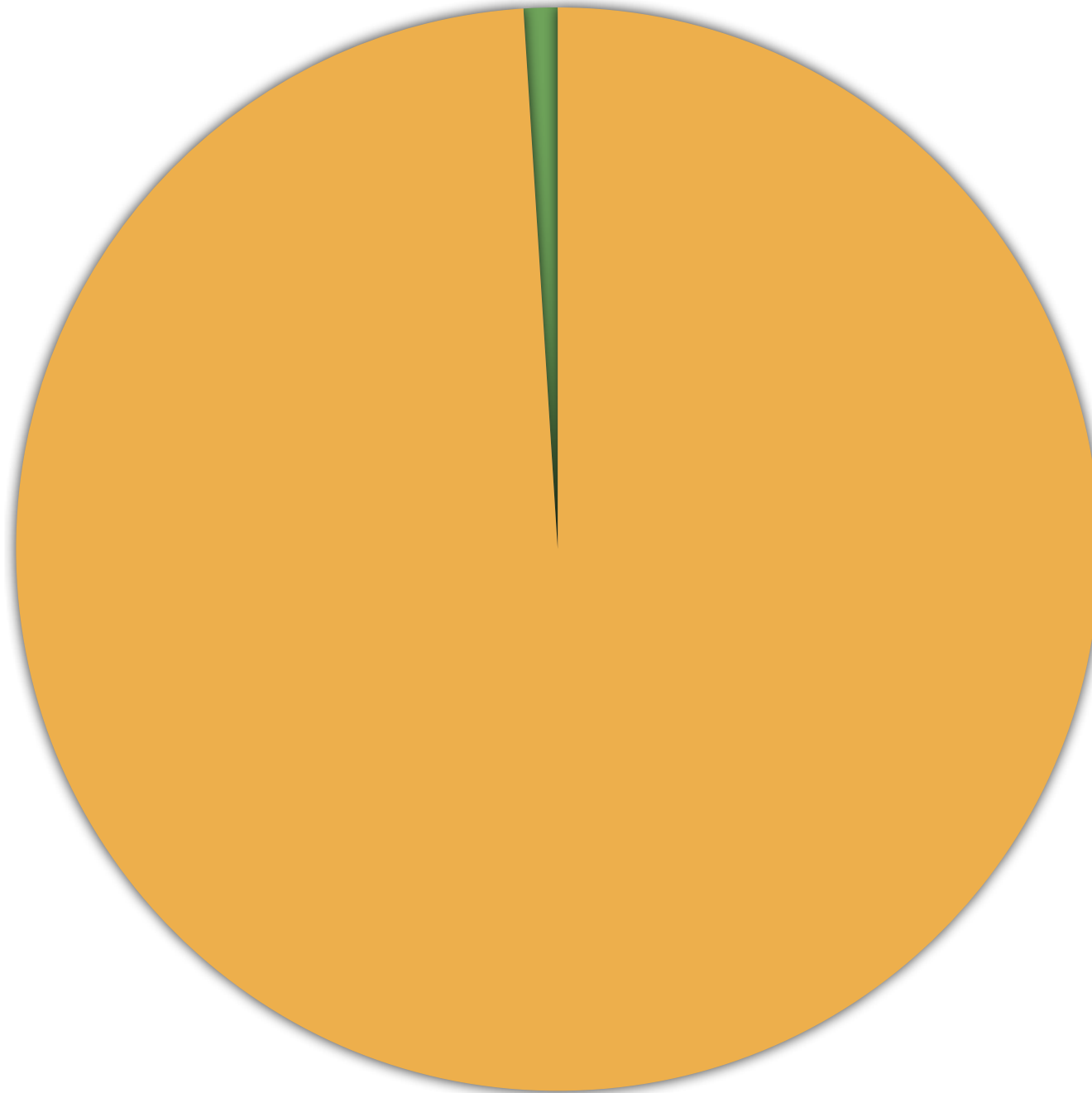
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● Performance

● Correctness

● Security

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DSLs

Static
Analysis

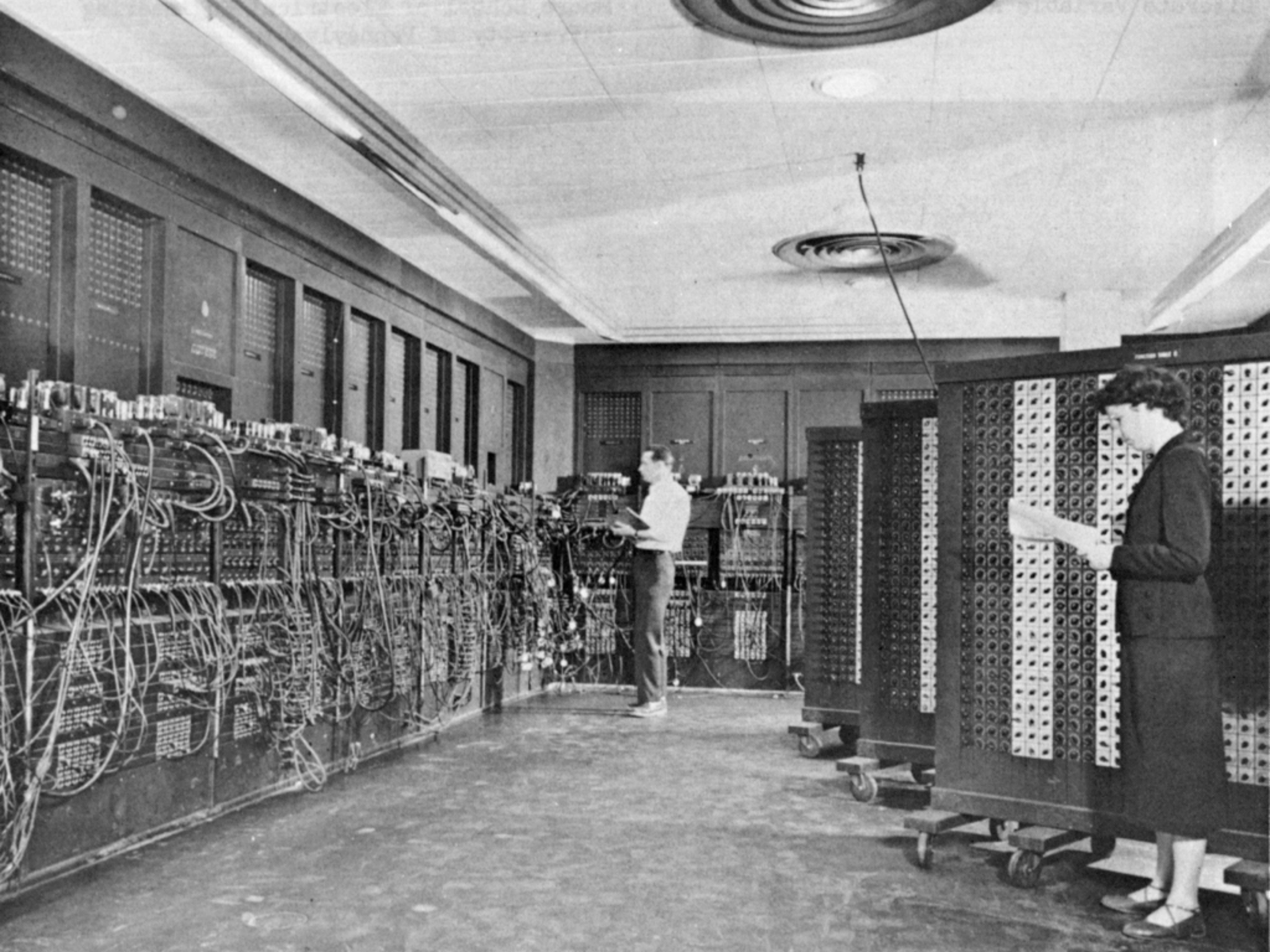


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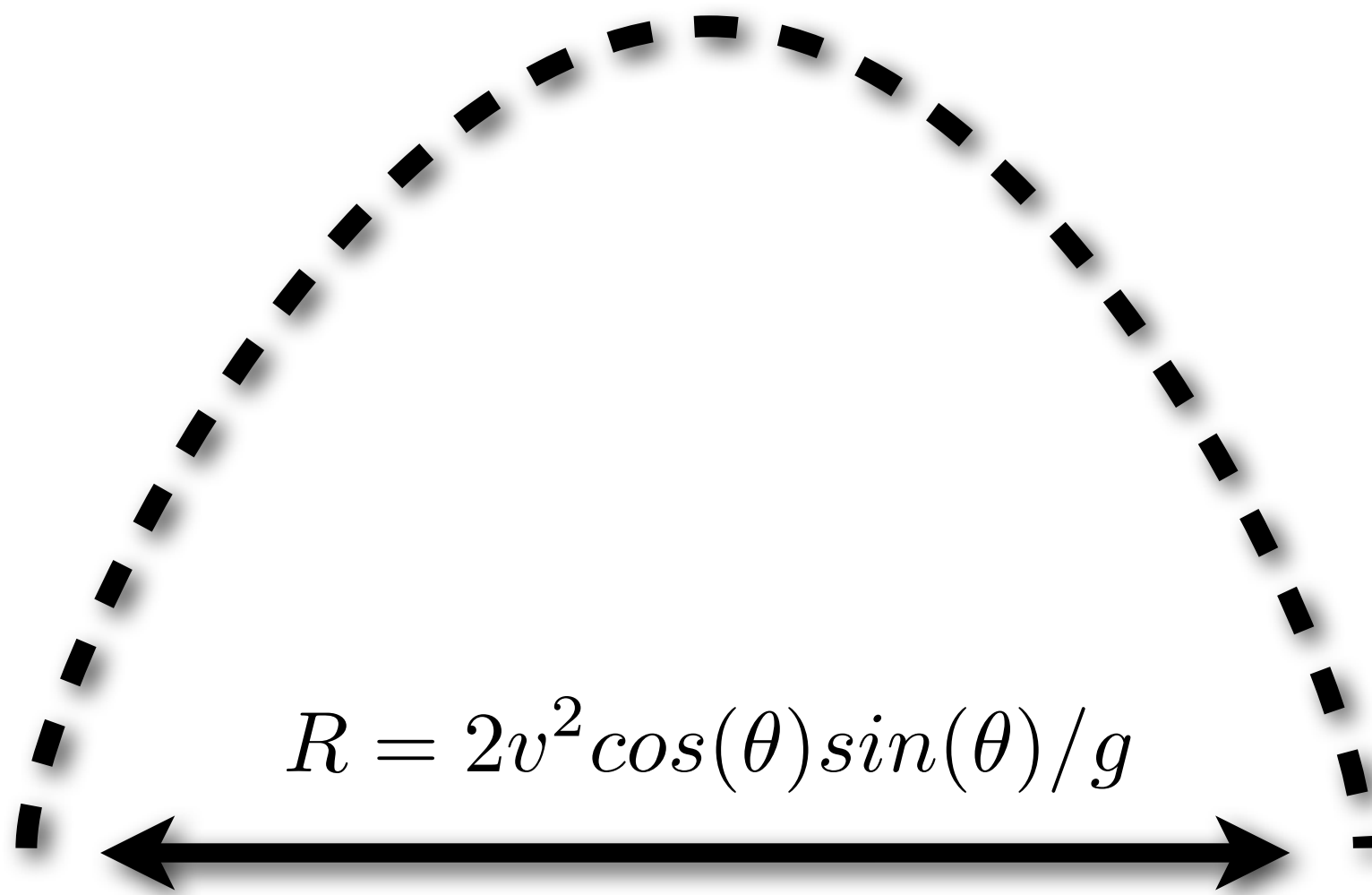
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Static
Analysis

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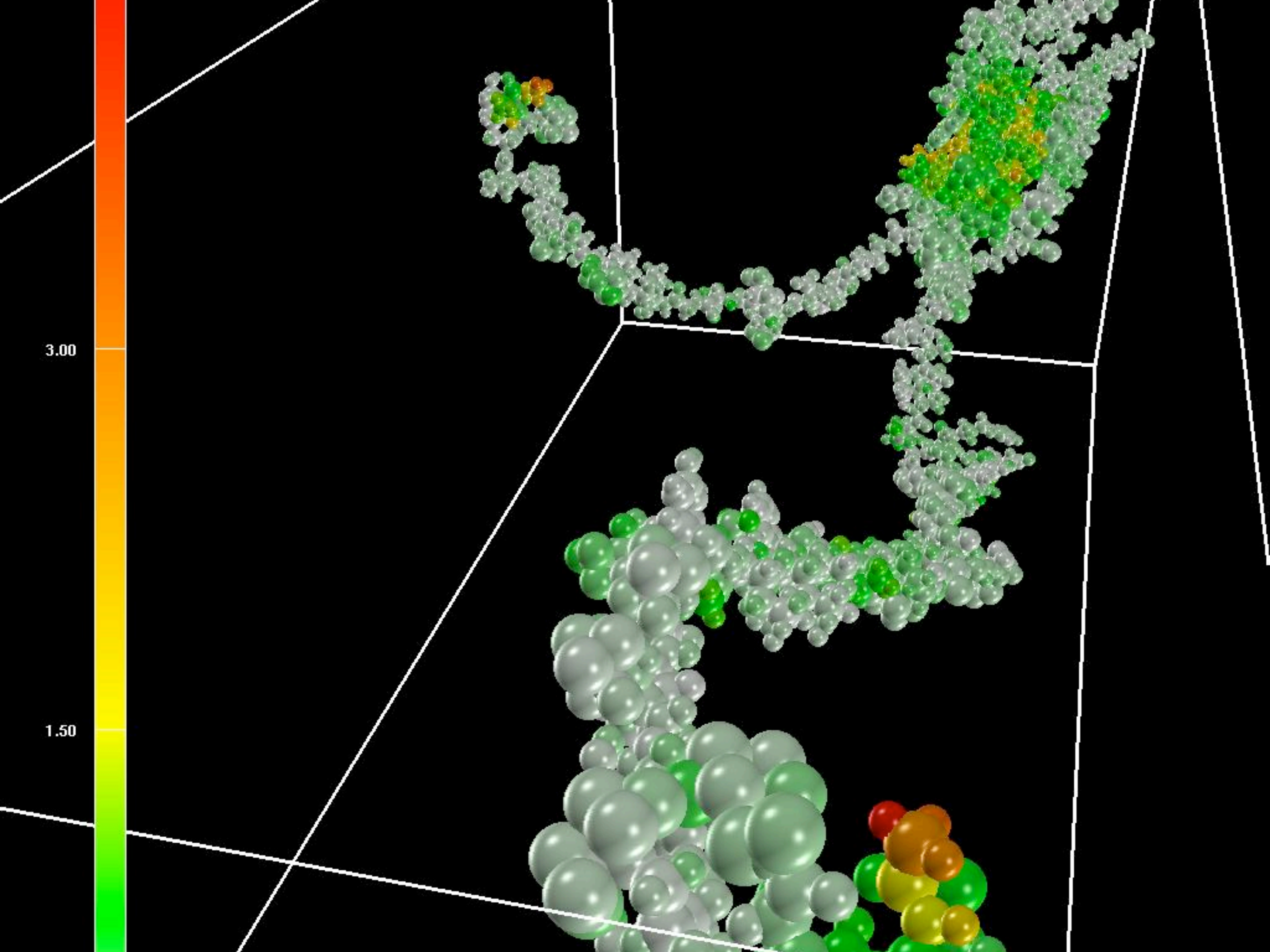


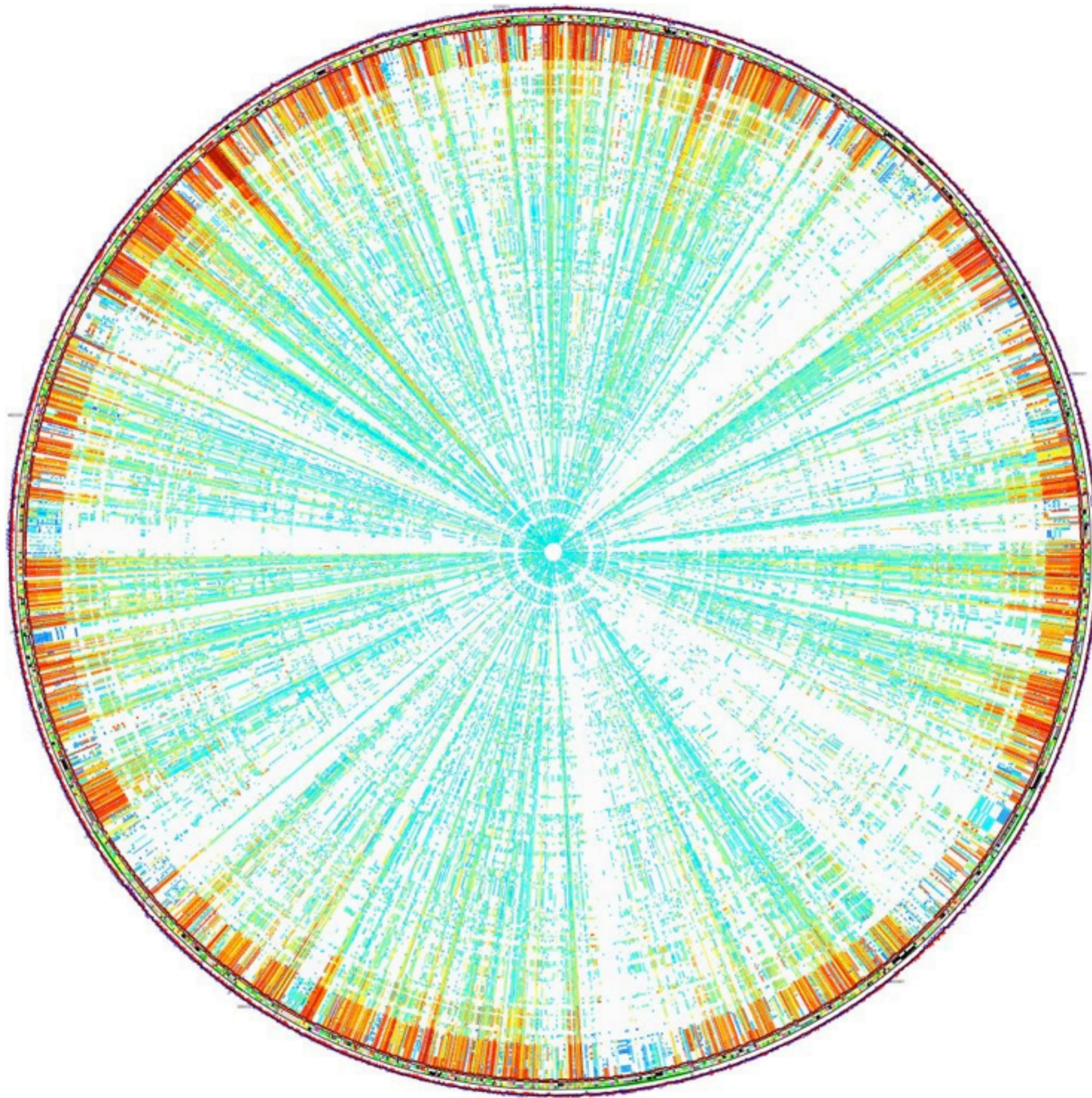
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2.9 divisions per second.

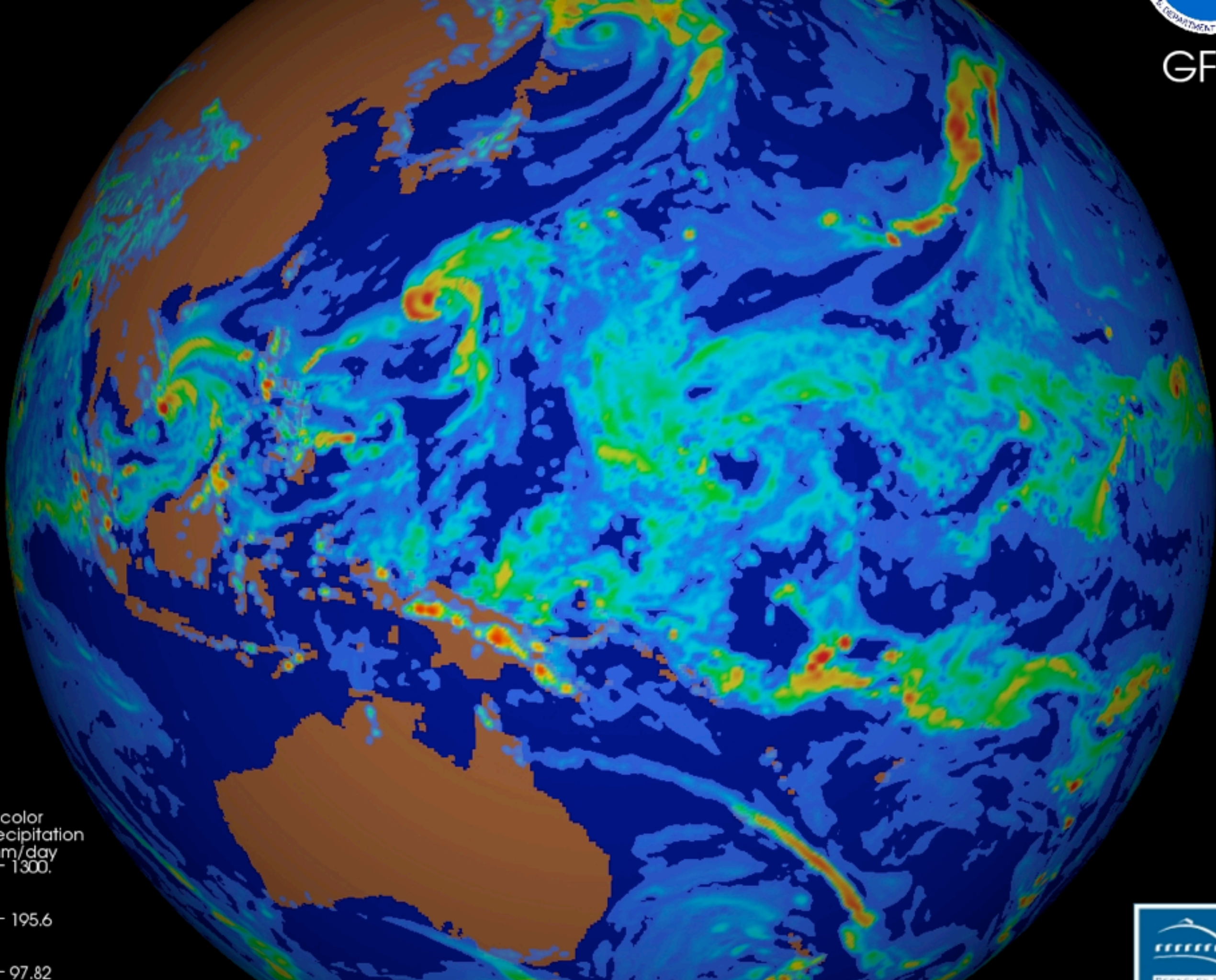
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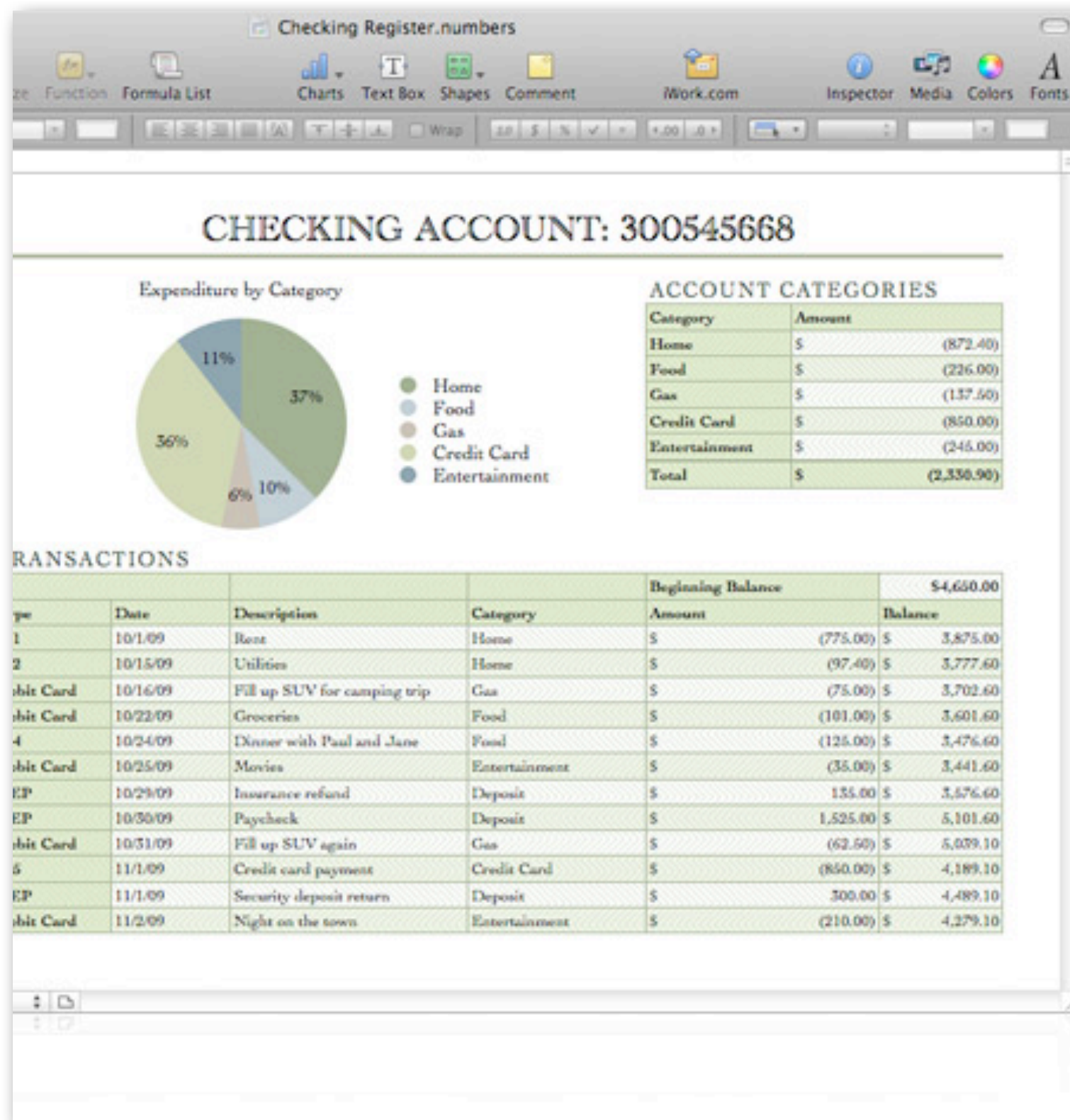
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Performance still matters.



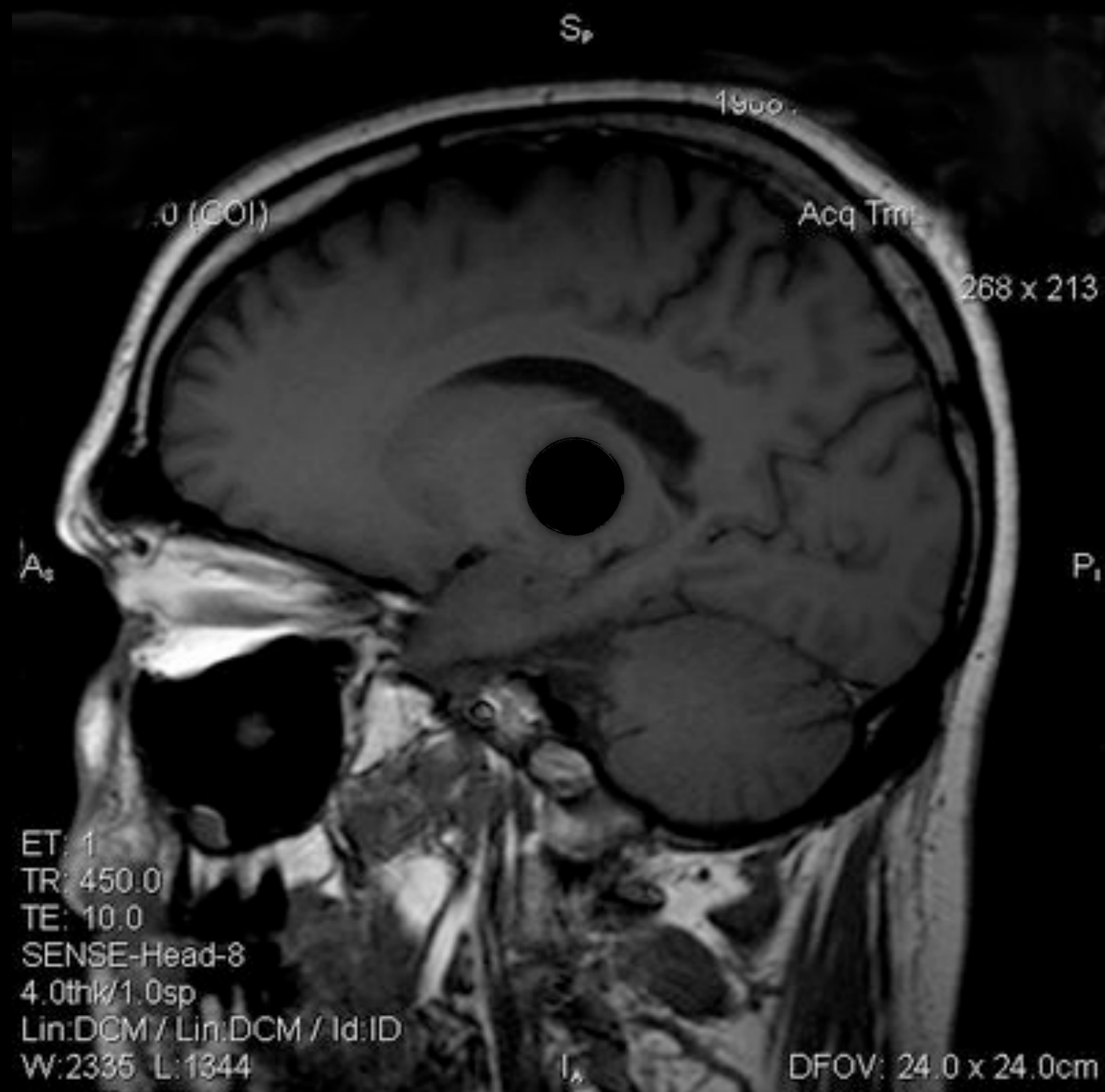




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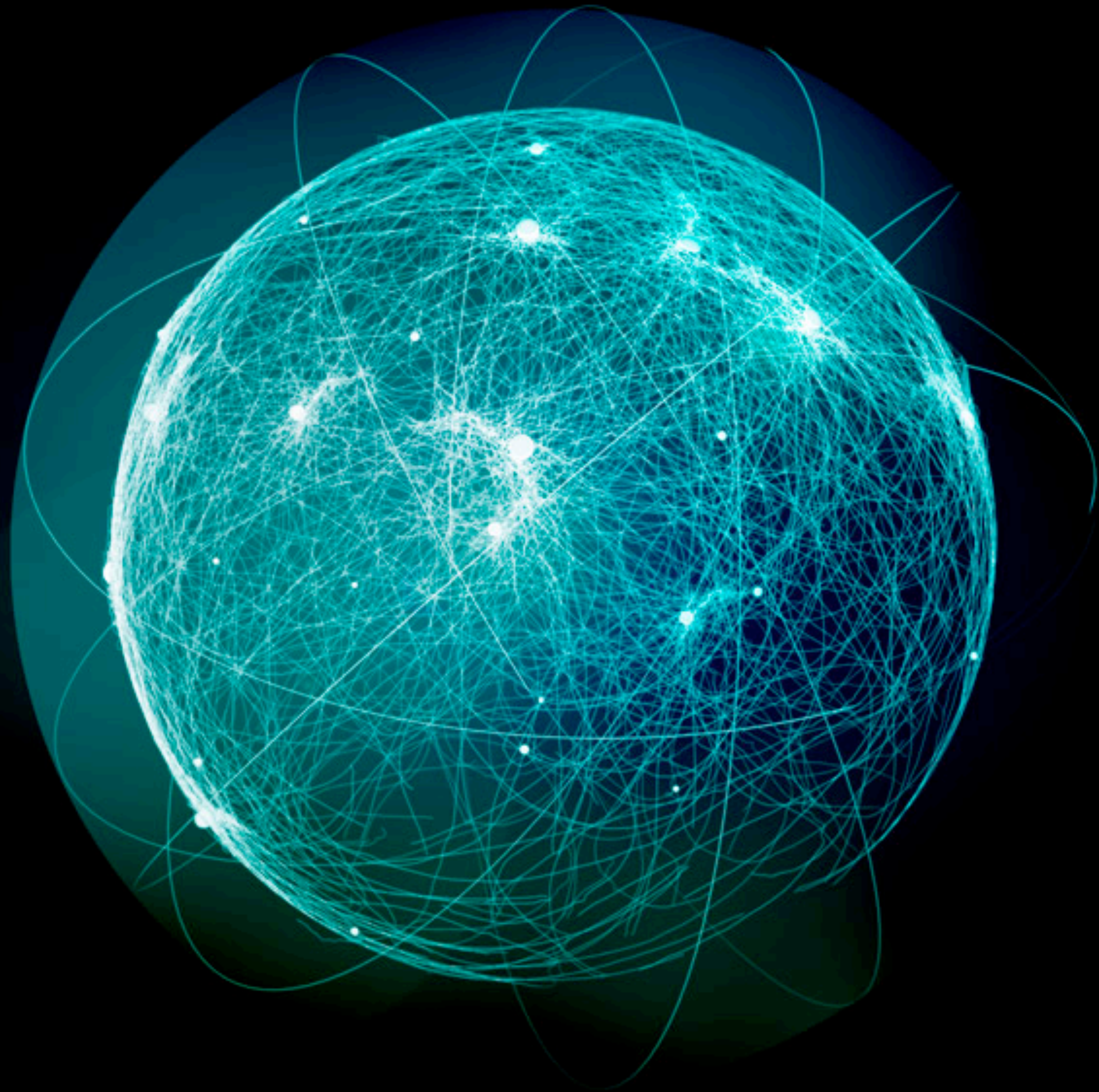


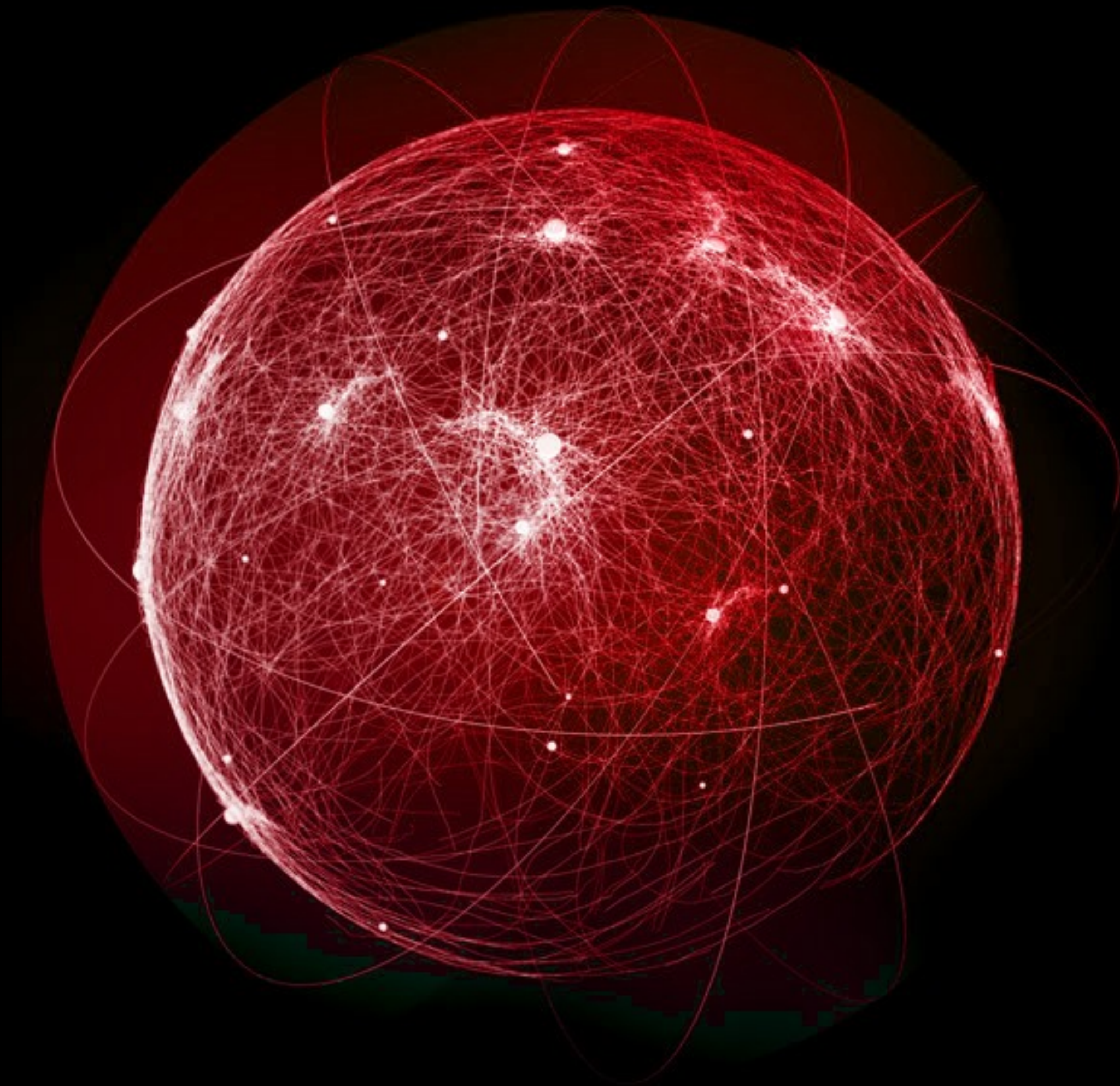


Correctness really matters.









Security matters.

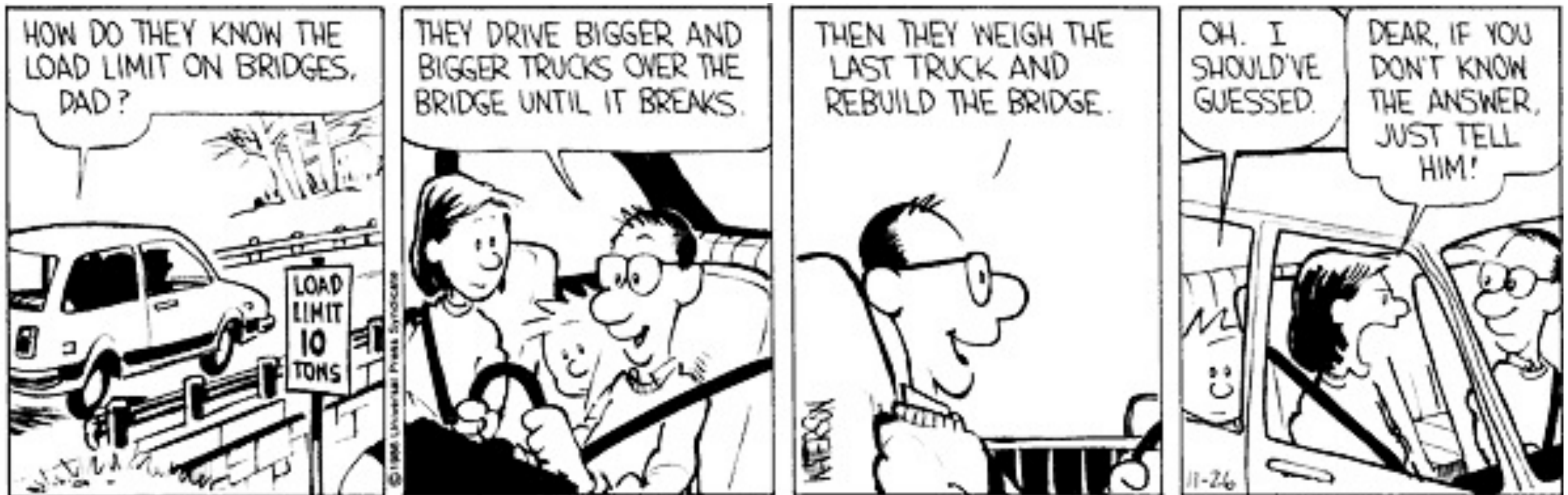
**What makes software
slow, buggy and insecure?**

We can't predict it.

We can't reason.

We can't engineer.

Software “engineering”



PowerPoint

A fatal exception 0E has occurred at 0137:BFFA21C9. The current application will be terminated.

- * Press any key to terminate the current application.
- * Press CTRL+ALT+DEL again to restart your computer. You will lose any unsaved information in all applications.

Press any key to continue _

Microsoft Windows

The system has recovered from a serious error.

A log of this error has been created.

Please tell Microsoft about this problem.

We have created an error report that you can send to help us improve Microsoft Windows. We will treat this report as confidential and anonymous.

To see what data this error report contains, [click here](#).

We need engineering.

We need reasonable programs.

We need prediction.

So, why can't we predict
what software will do?

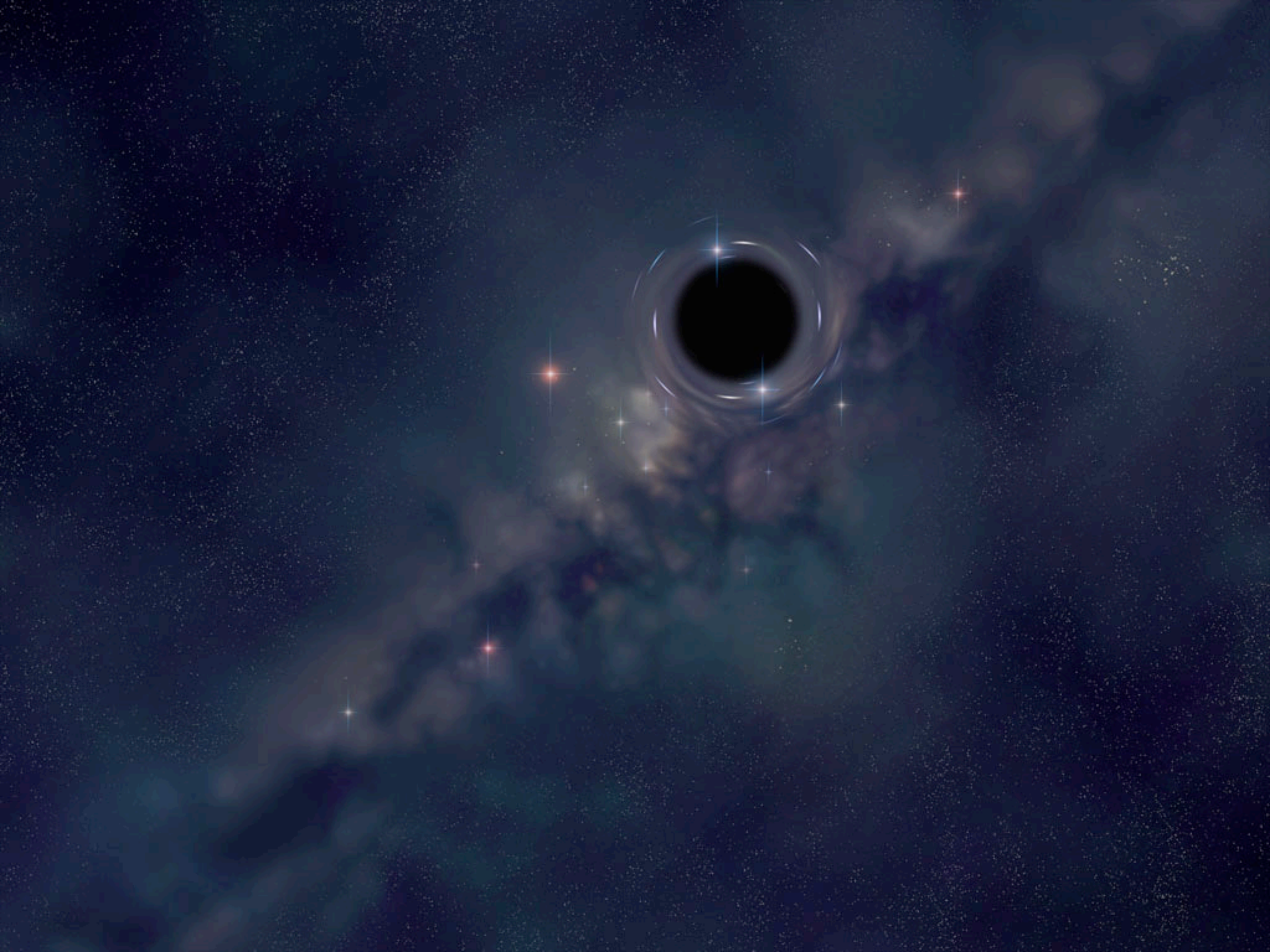
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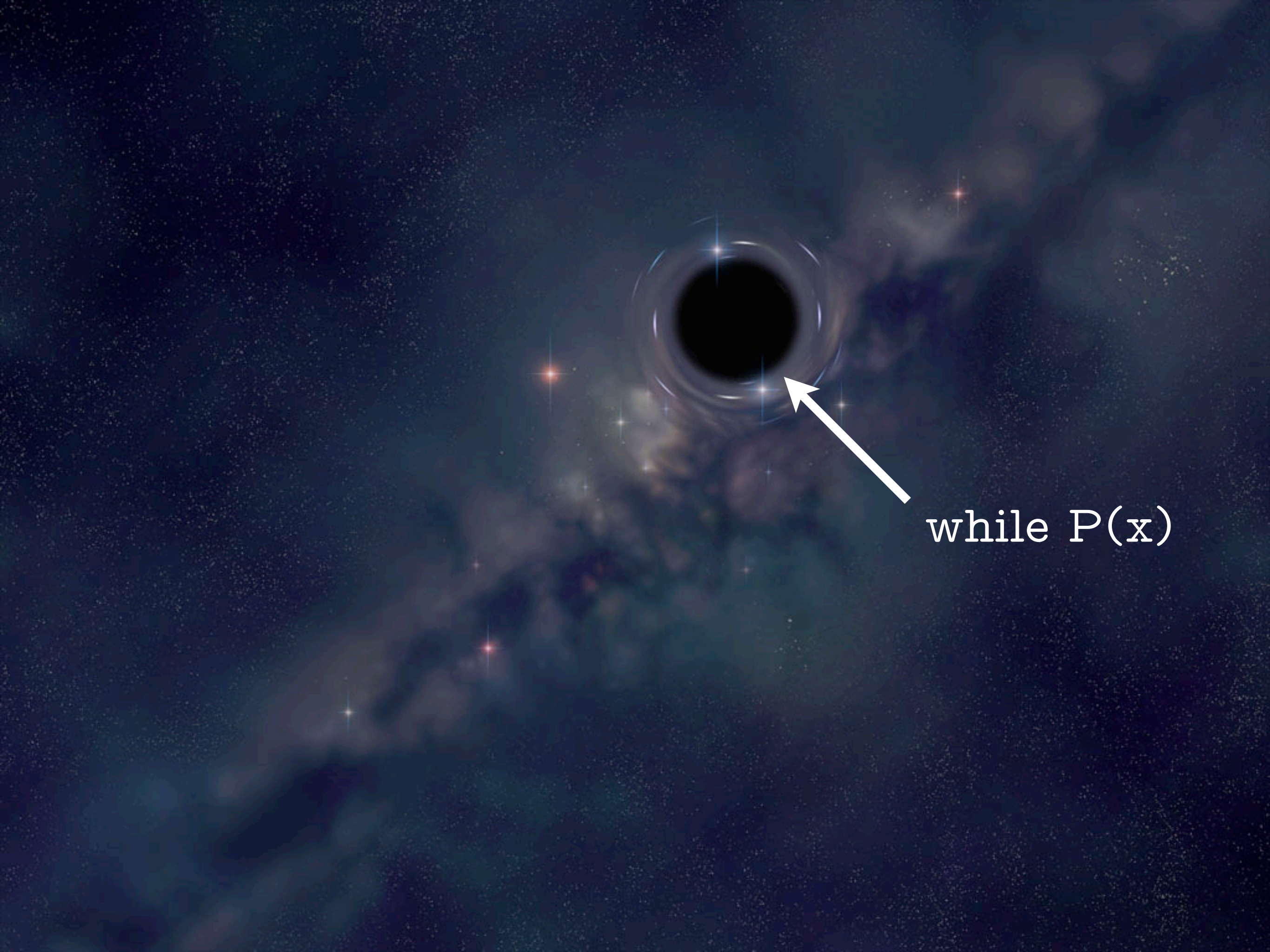
Because Alan Turing said we can't.



Halt!

**“Thou shalt not write a
program which determines
whether a program halts.”**





while $P(x)$

Interesting question?

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Undecidable.

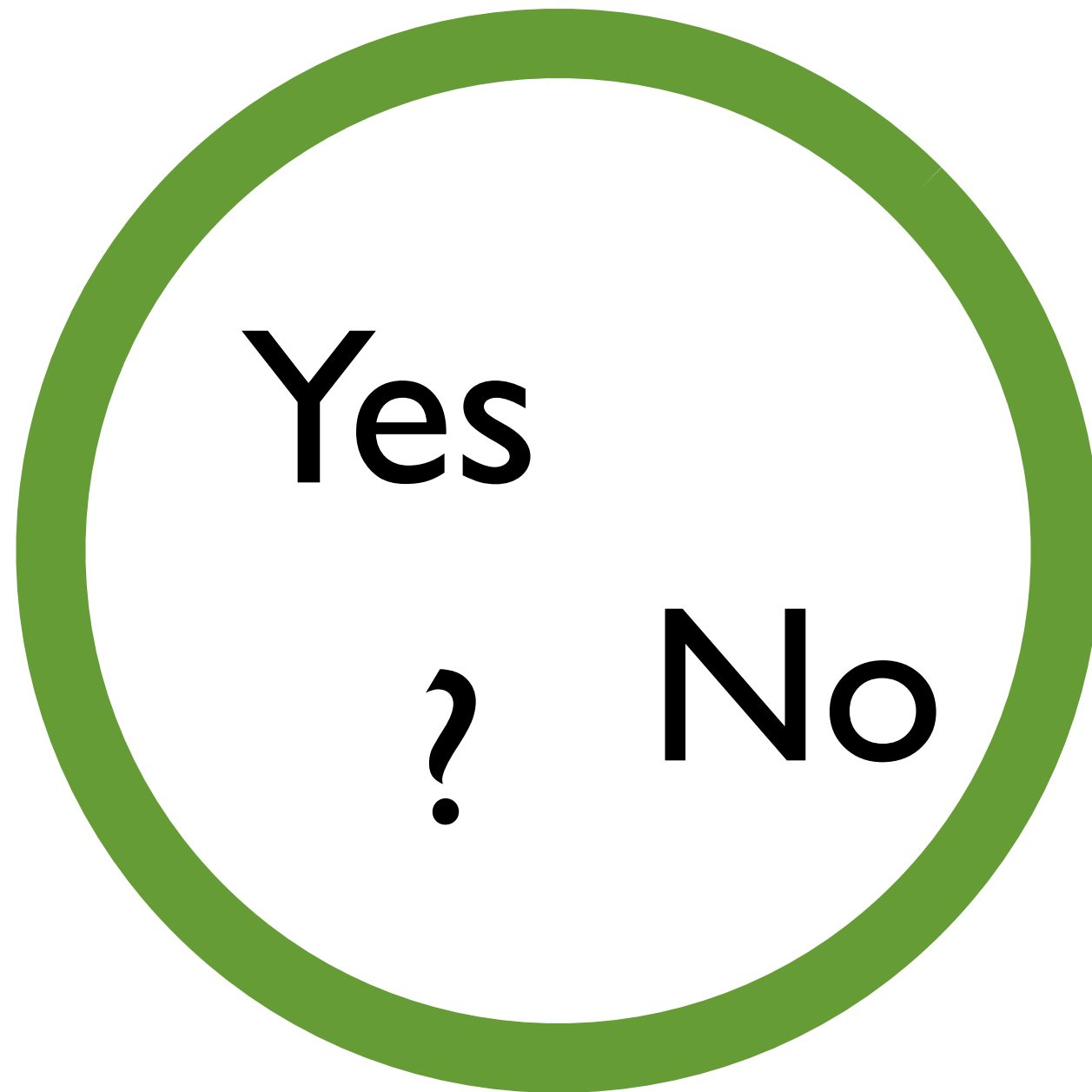
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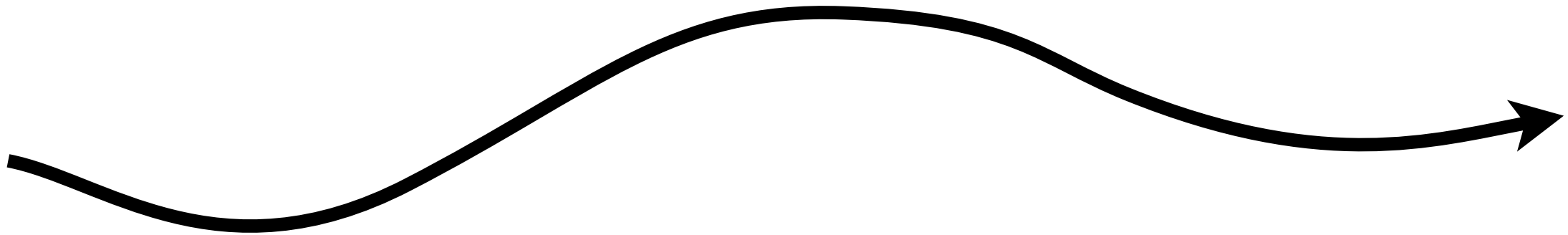
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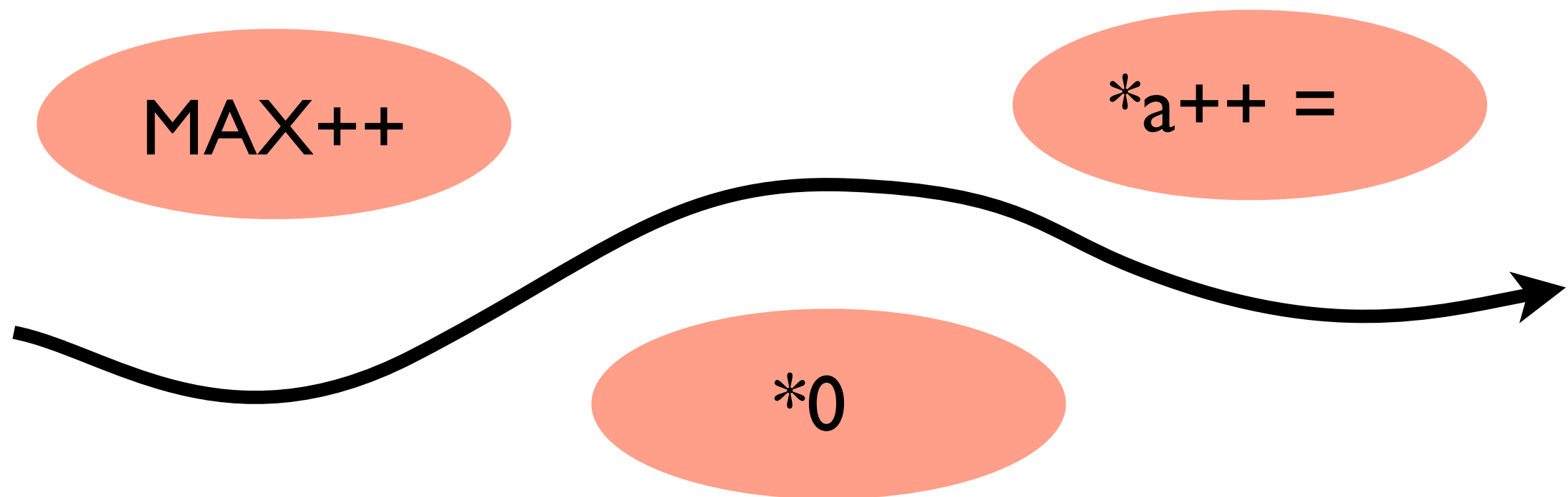


The static analysis game

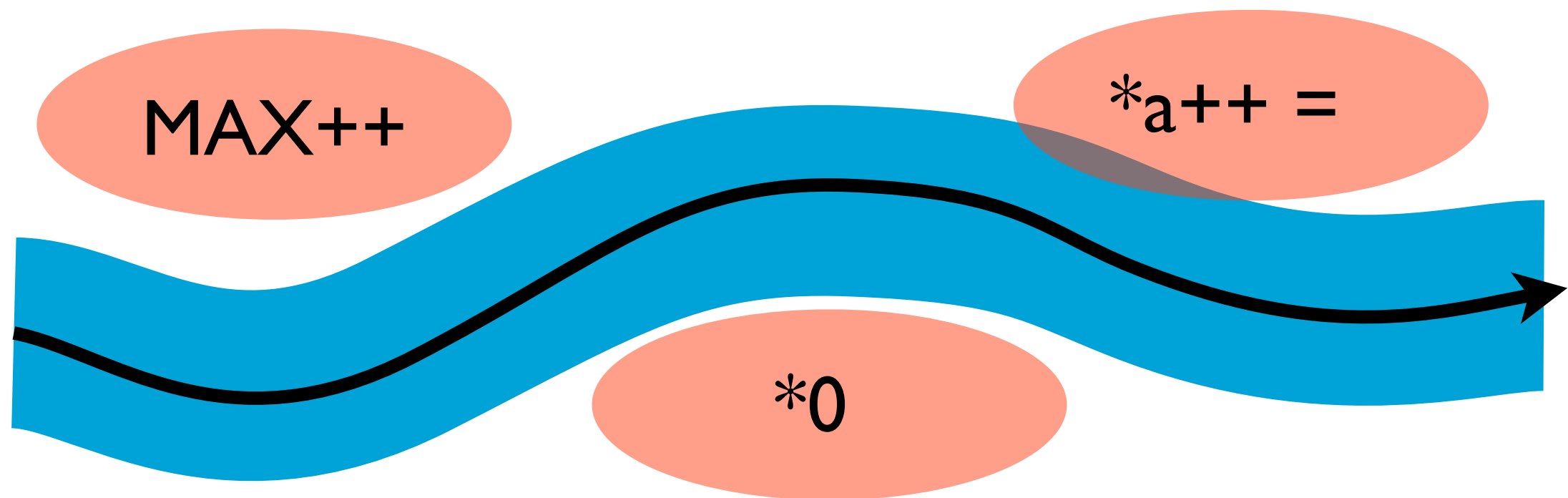
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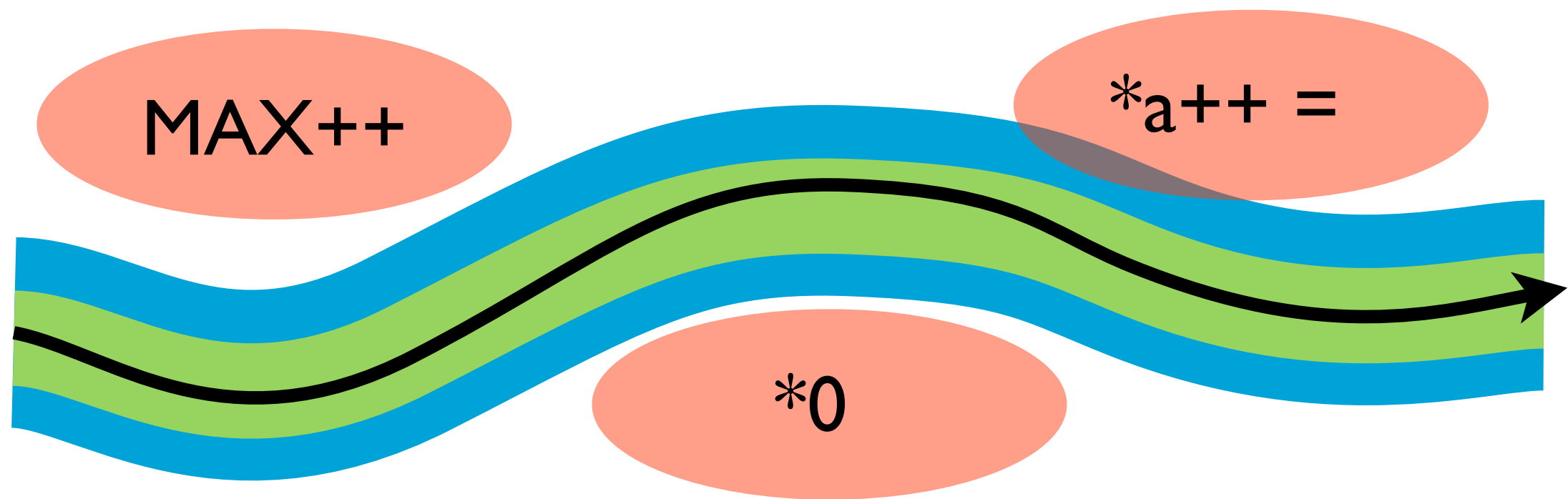
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Another way?

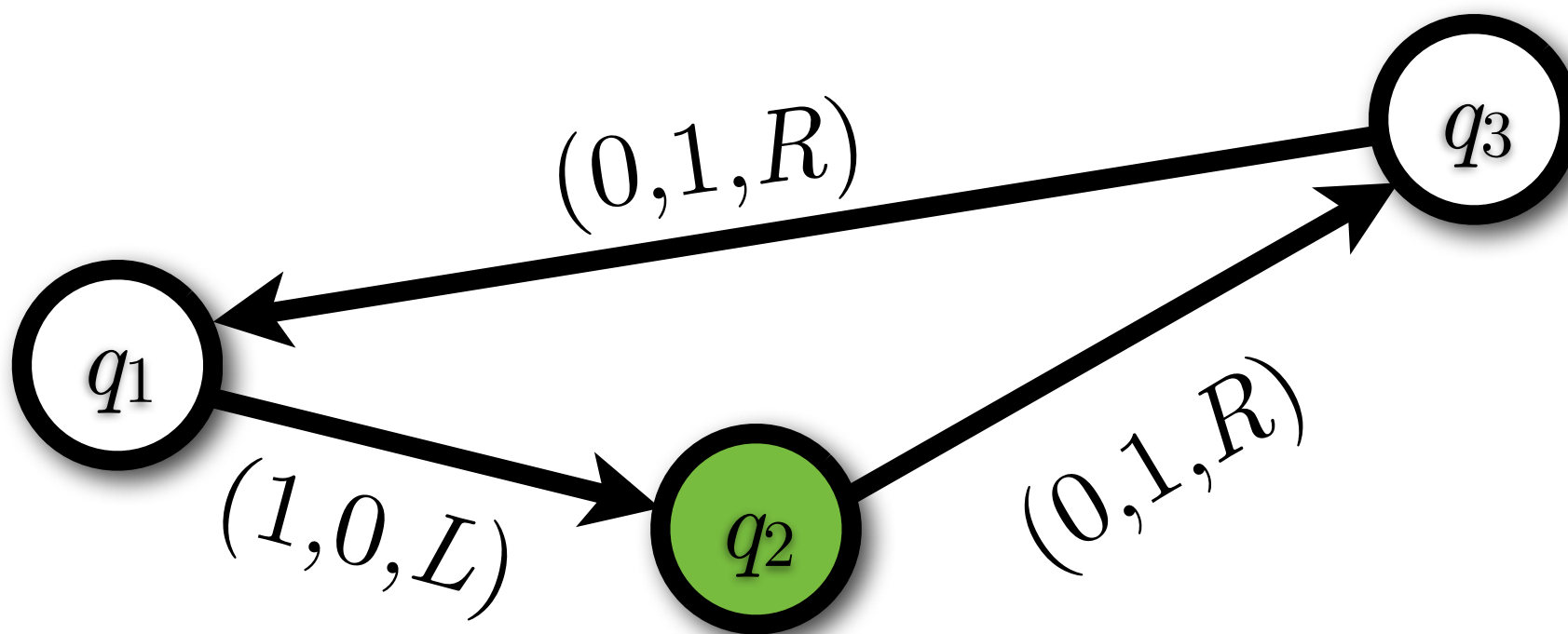
Don't use Turing machines.

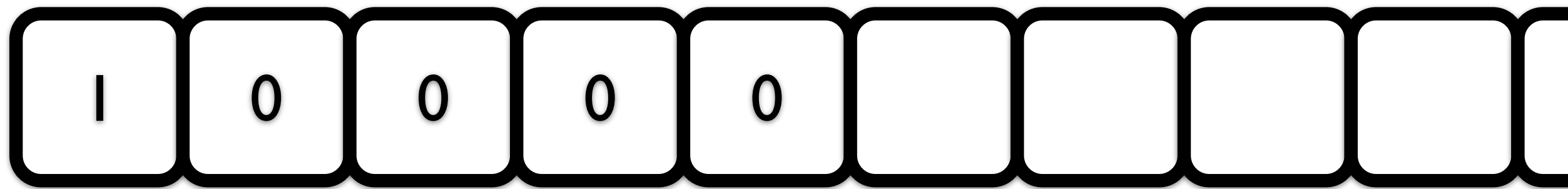
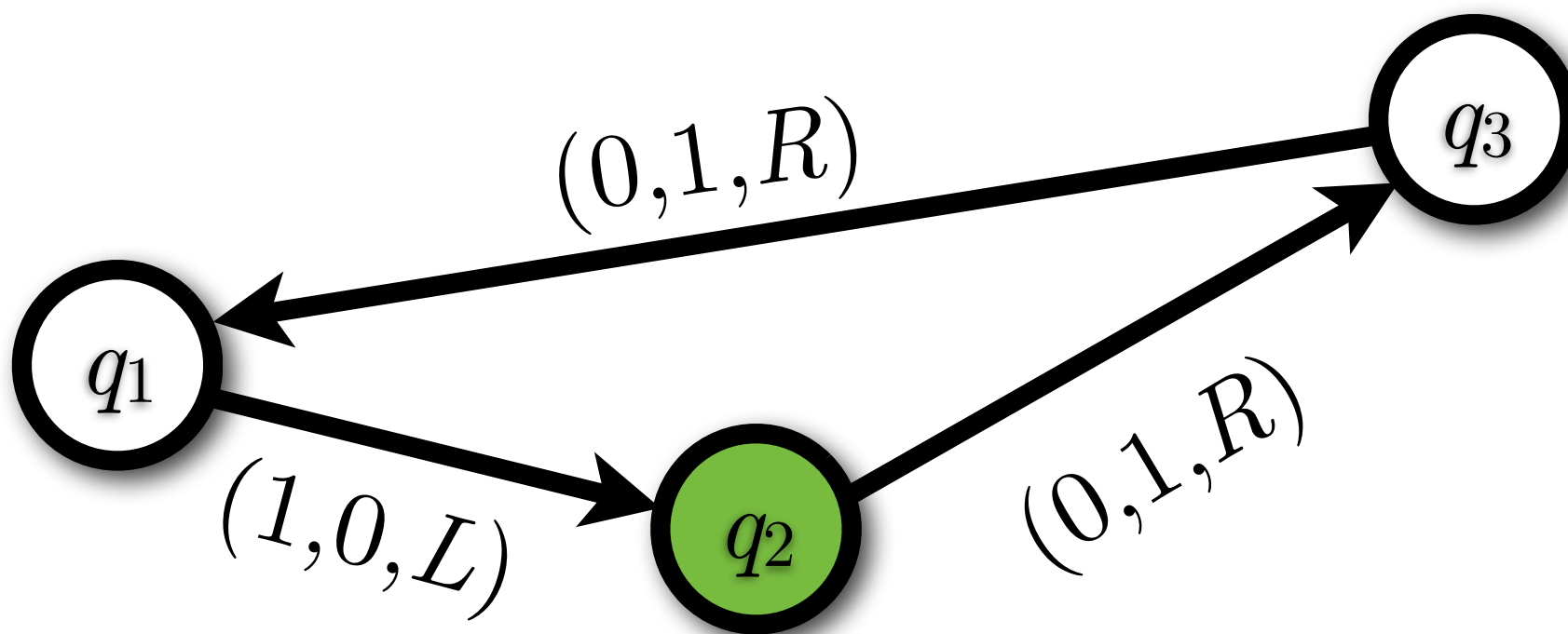
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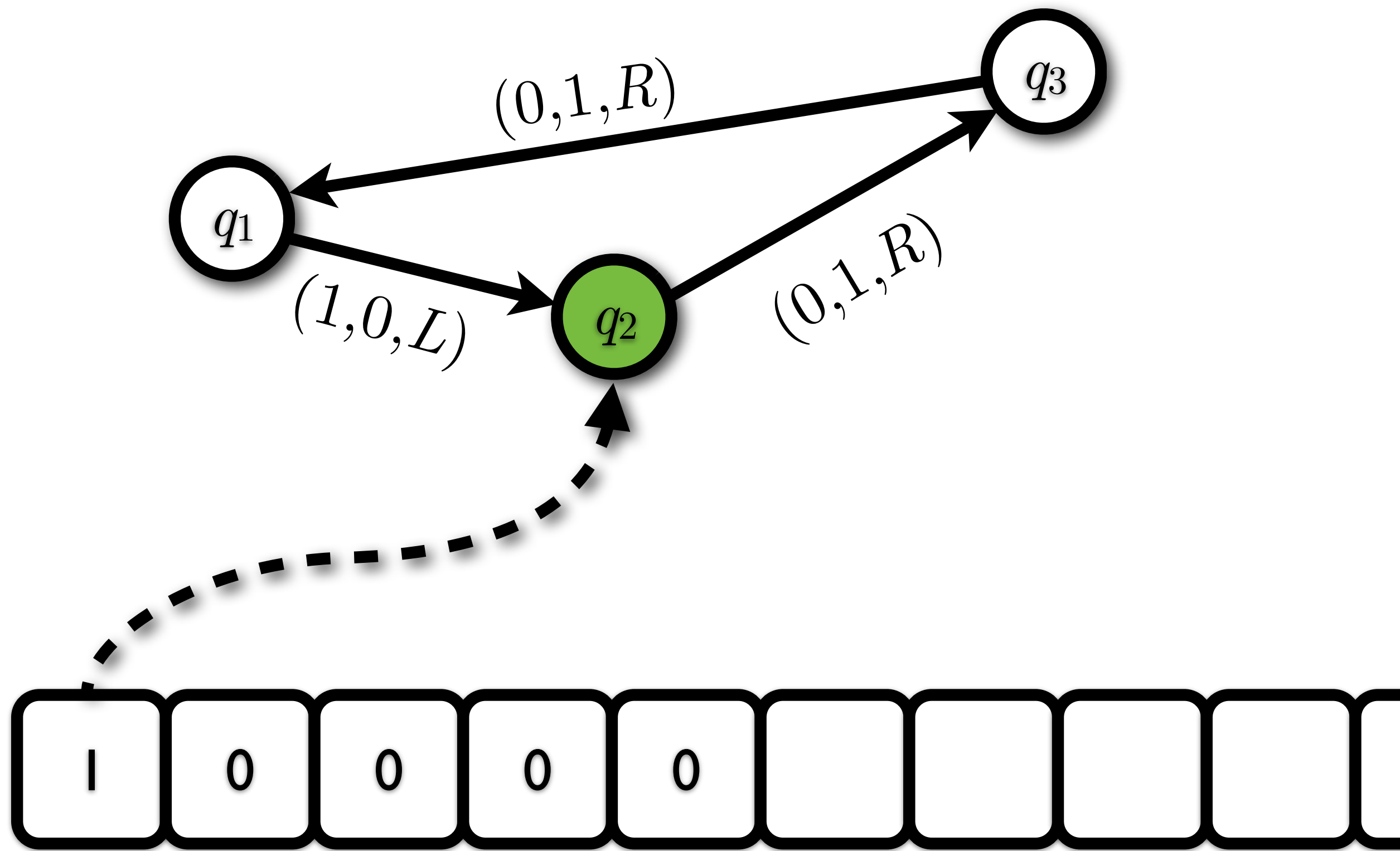
Sub-Turing languages

How do you play
the static analysis game?



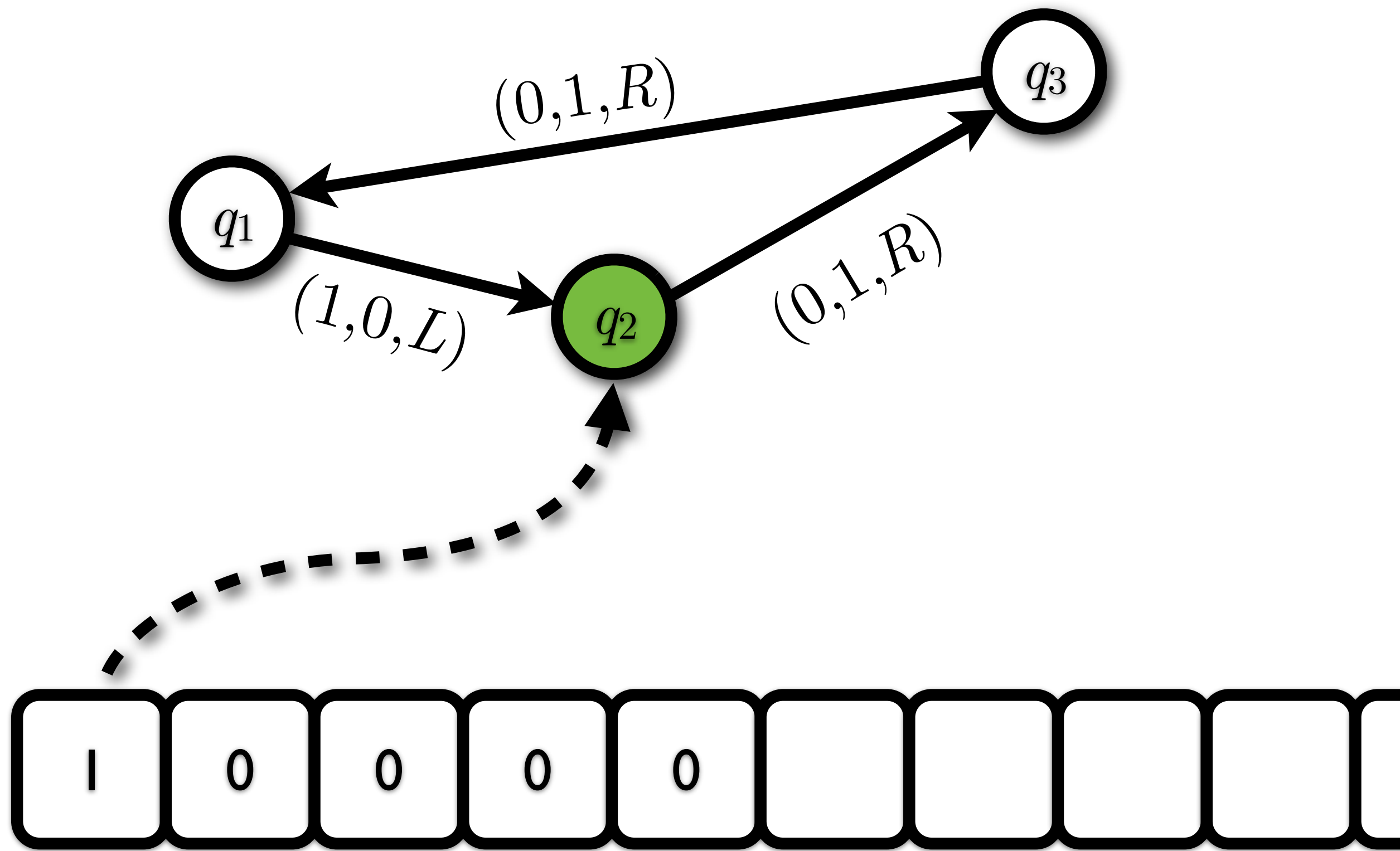


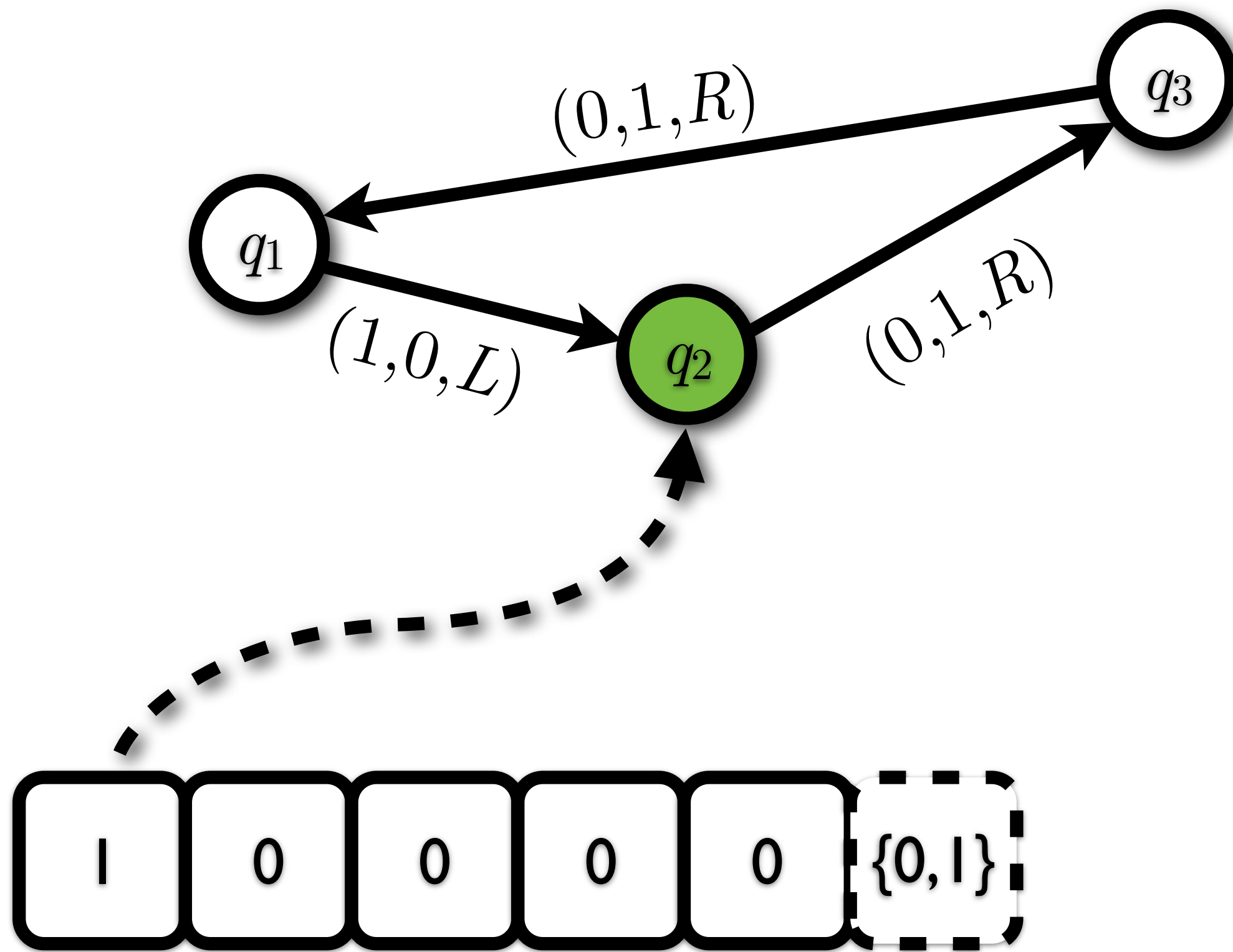


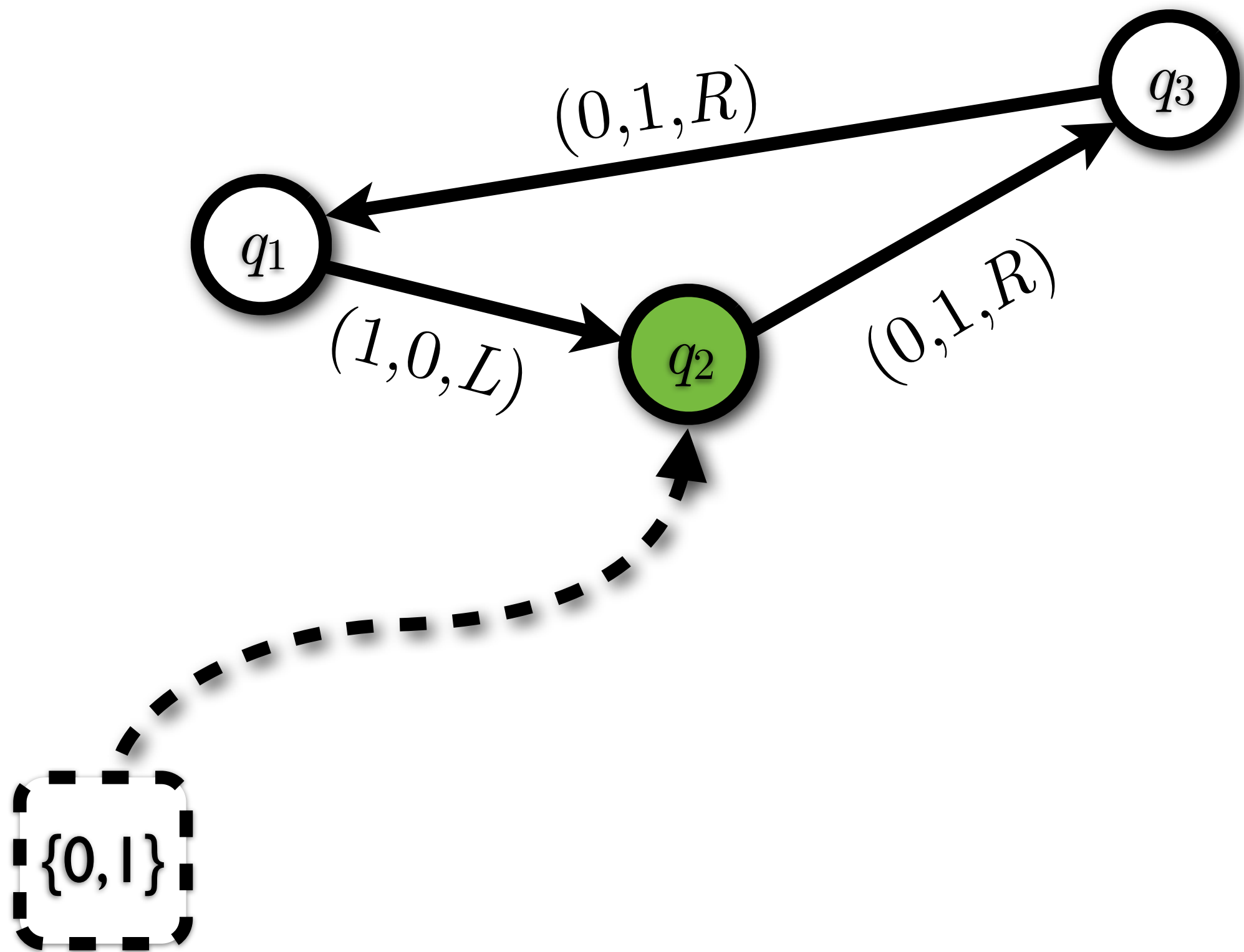


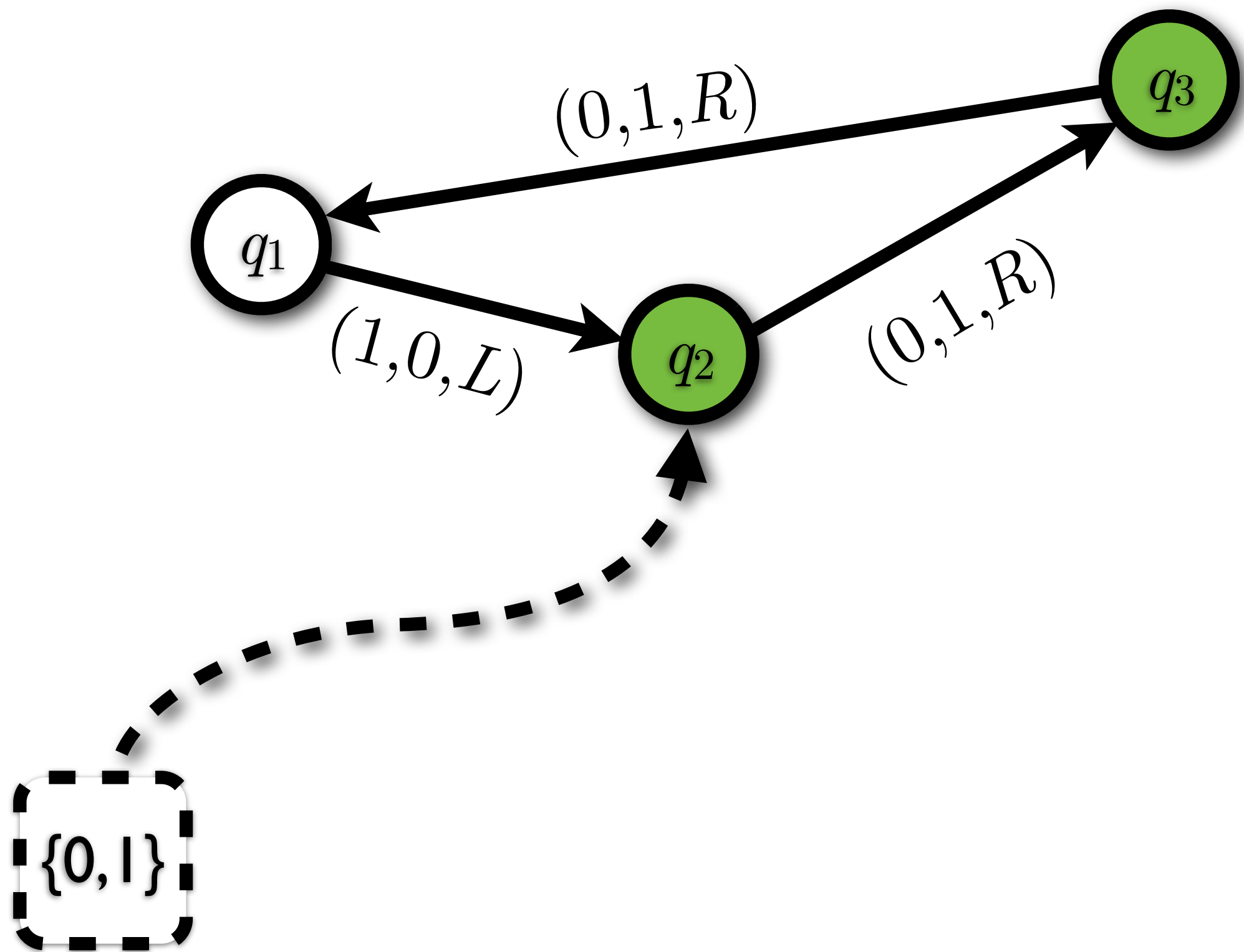
How to approximate?

Make it finite!









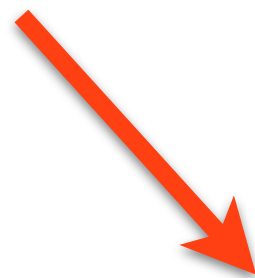
Why is static analysis hard?

What happens here?

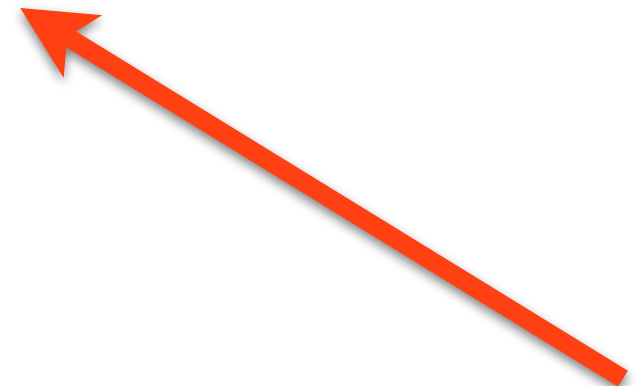
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animal.eat(food);
```


What happens here?

What is animal?



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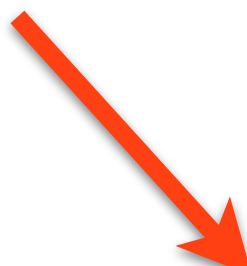
What is food?

What happens here?

```
void process (Animal animal) {  
    food = world.gather() ;  
    animal.eat(food);  
}
```

What happens here?

Who calls process?



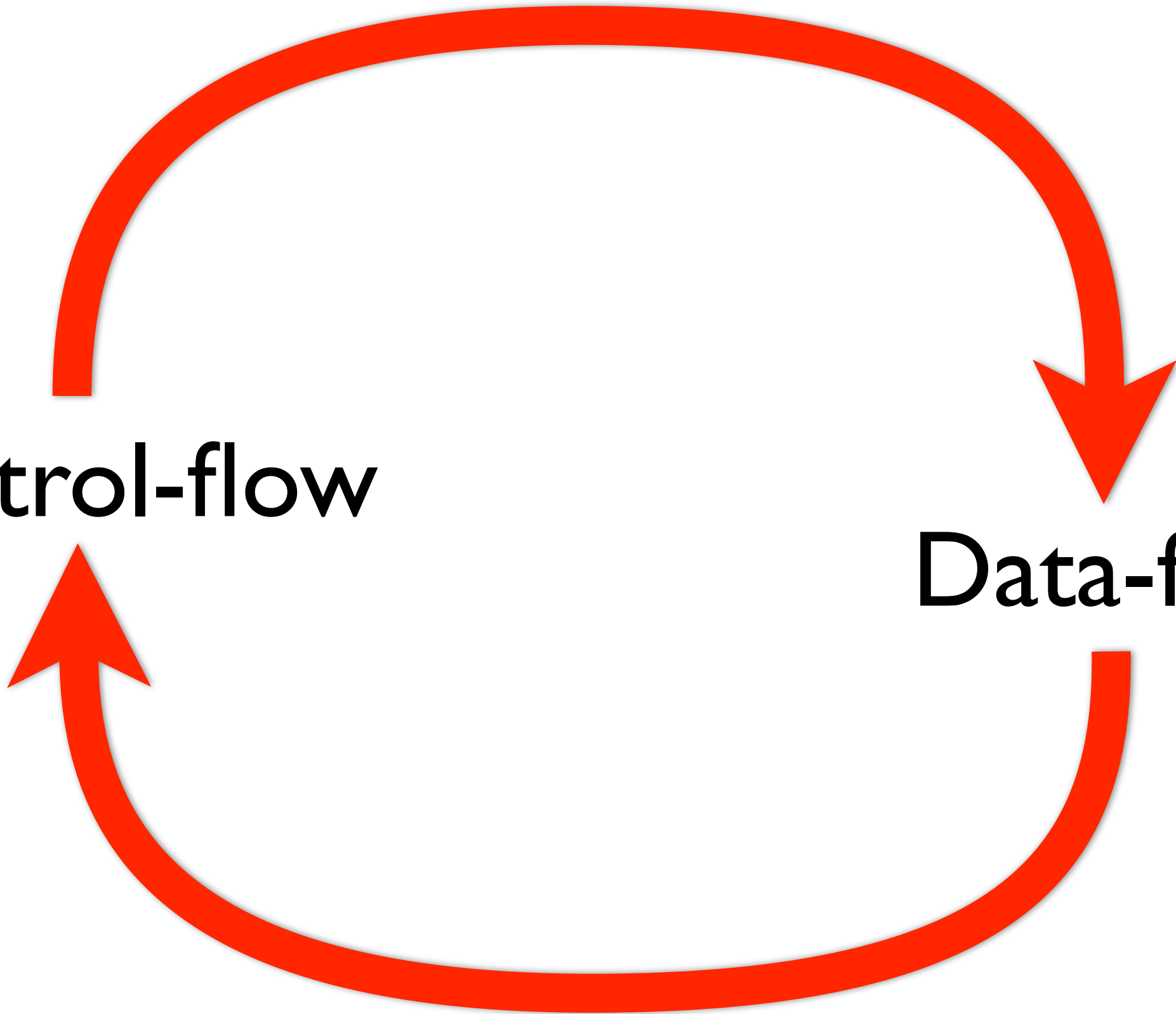
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What is world?

Control-flow

Data-flow



Why so entangled?

Value = Object

Value = Object
= Class + Record

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Value} &= \text{Object} \\ &= \text{Class} + \text{Record} \\ &\subseteq \text{Code} + \text{Data}\end{aligned}$$

Old idea:
Untie code & data.

(In ten minutes)

What language
exemplifies code + data?

λ -calculus.

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$\lambda v.e$ [anonymous function]



$$(\lambda x.x^2)(3) = 9$$

Lisp and Scheme

- $v \equiv \mathbf{v}$
- $f(e) \equiv (\mathbf{f} \ e)$
- $\lambda v.e \equiv (\mathbf{lambda} \ (\mathbf{v}) \ e)$

Python

- $v \equiv \texttt{v}$
- $f(e) \equiv \texttt{f(e)}$
- $\lambda v.e \equiv \texttt{lambda v: e}$

Ruby

- $v \equiv \mathbf{v}$
- $f(e) \equiv \mathbf{f(e)}$
- $\lambda v.e \equiv \mathbf{\text{lambda } \{ |v| \text{ return } e \}}$

JavaScript

- $v \equiv \mathbf{v}$
- $f(e) \equiv \mathbf{f(e)}$
- $\lambda v.e \equiv \mathbf{function\ (v)\ \{\ return\ e\ ;\ \}}$

Java

- $v \equiv \text{V}$
- $f(e) \equiv f.\text{call}(e)$
- $\lambda v.e \equiv \text{new Value } () \{ \text{public Value}$
 $\text{call (Value v) \{ return}$
 $e ; \} \} ;$

λ -fortified

- Lisp
- SML
- Haskell
- Scala
- Java
- C#
- C++
- Python
- Ruby
- Smalltalk
- JavaScript
- PHP(!)

Value = Closure

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= Lambda + Env

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Value} &= \text{Closure} \\ &= \text{Lambda} + \text{Env} \\ &\subseteq \text{Code} + \text{Data}\end{aligned}$$

Assertion:
If we can do λ 's,
we can do objects.

How to bound control?

Control-flow question

Given a call site $f(x)$, what could f be?

$$f(x)$$

let $f = \lambda z. z$
in $f(x)$

$\lambda f.f(x)$

Classical approach

The approximation

- Value = Code x Data
- Closure = Lambda x Env
- Object = Class x Record

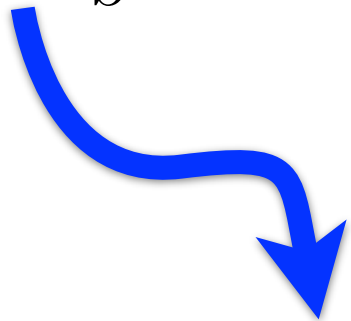
The approximation

- Value = Code
- Closure = Lambda
- Object = Class

How do λ 's flow?

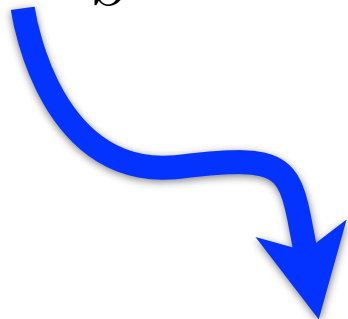
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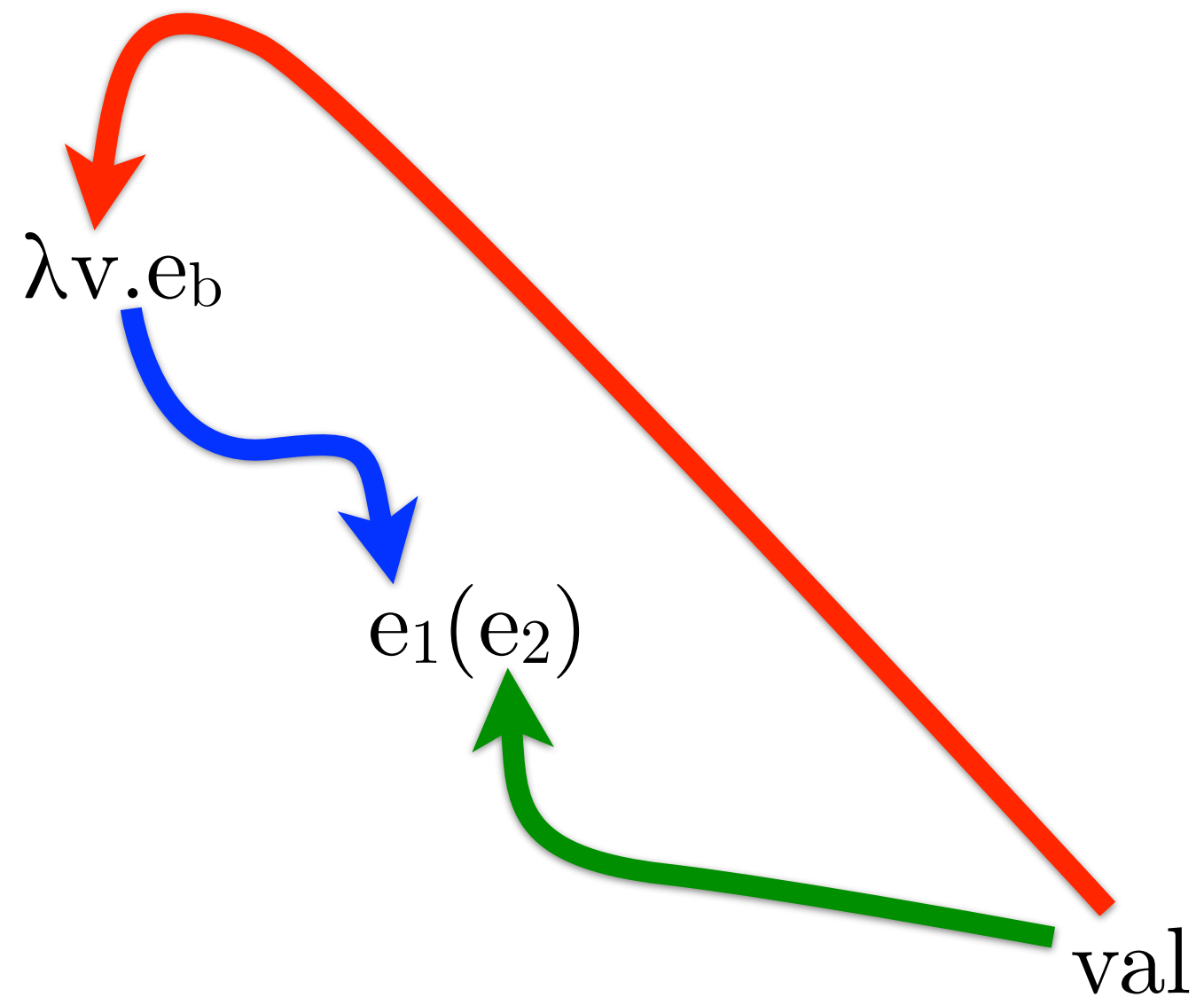
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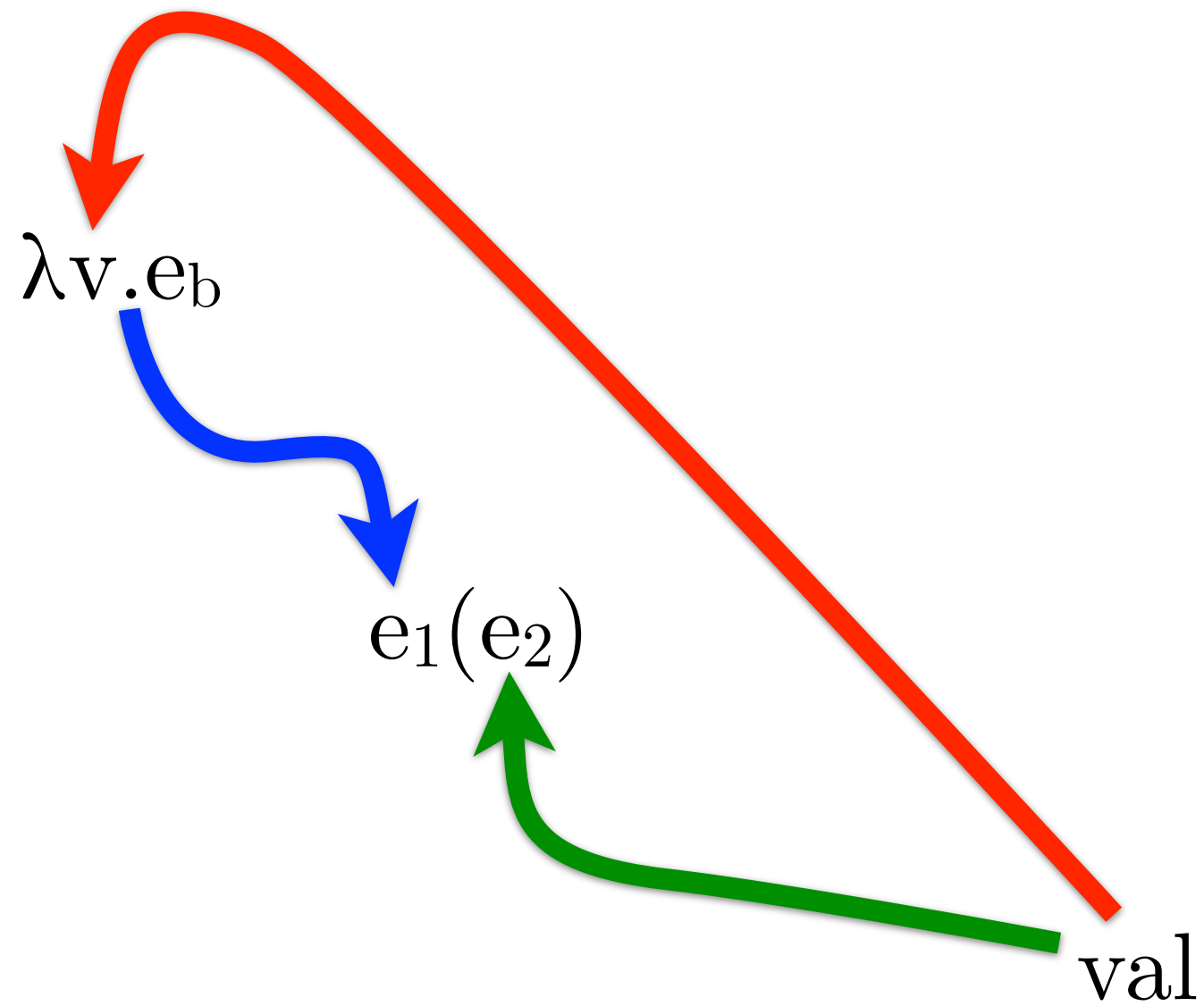


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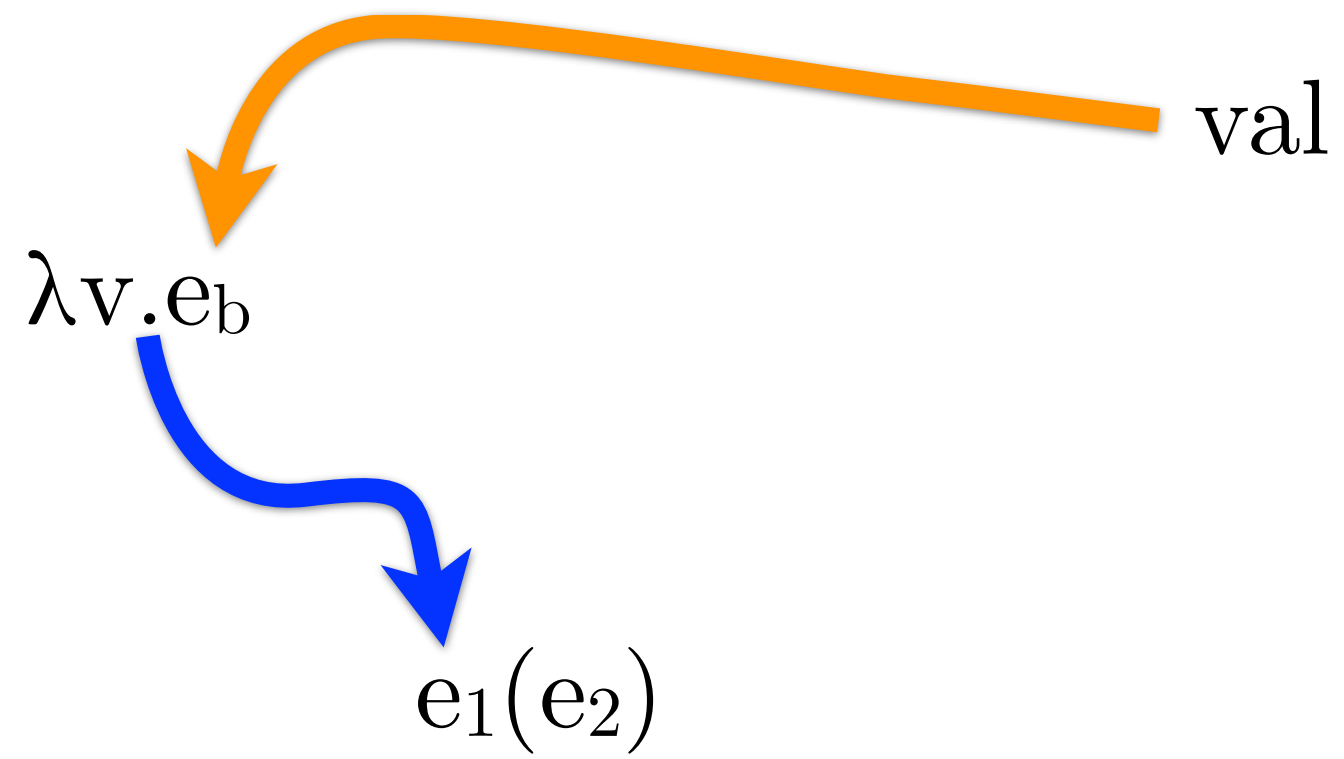
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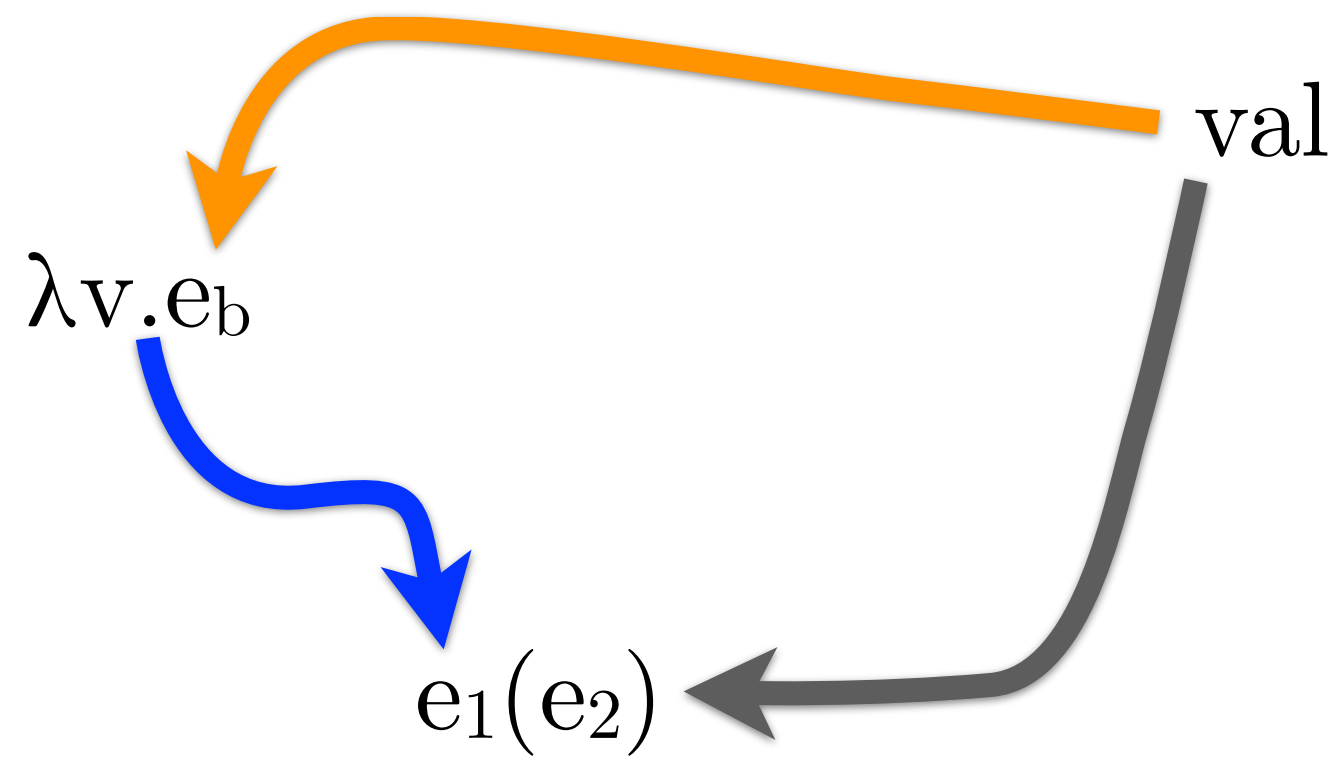


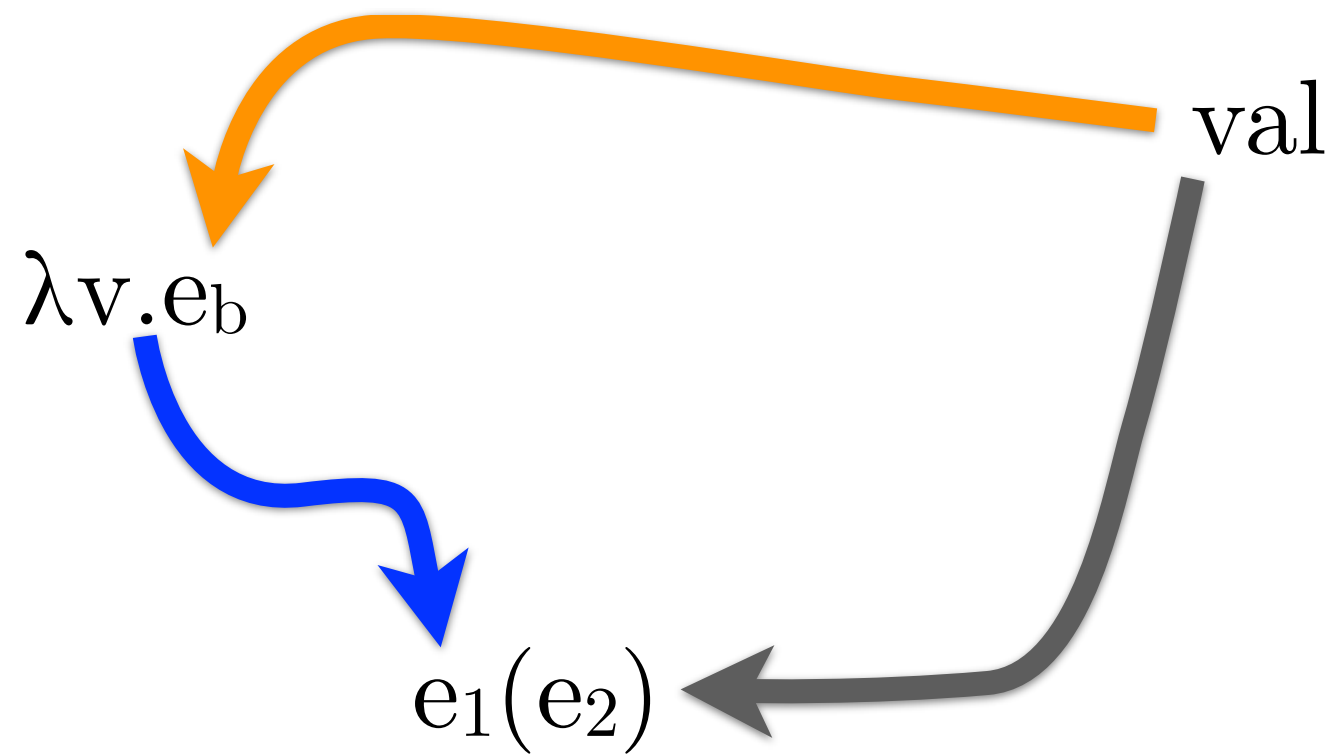


$\lambda v.e_b \in \text{FlowsTo}[e_1]$ and $val \in \text{FlowsTo}[e_2]$

$val \in \text{FlowsTo}[v]$







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OCFA (Shivers, 1988)

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+ Constraint Solver

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= Control-flow analysis

But...

It's slow.

It's weak.

It's imprecise.

Problem: Cross-flow

`map f list`

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fireMissile(n) []

map f list

petBunny(n) [1,2,3]

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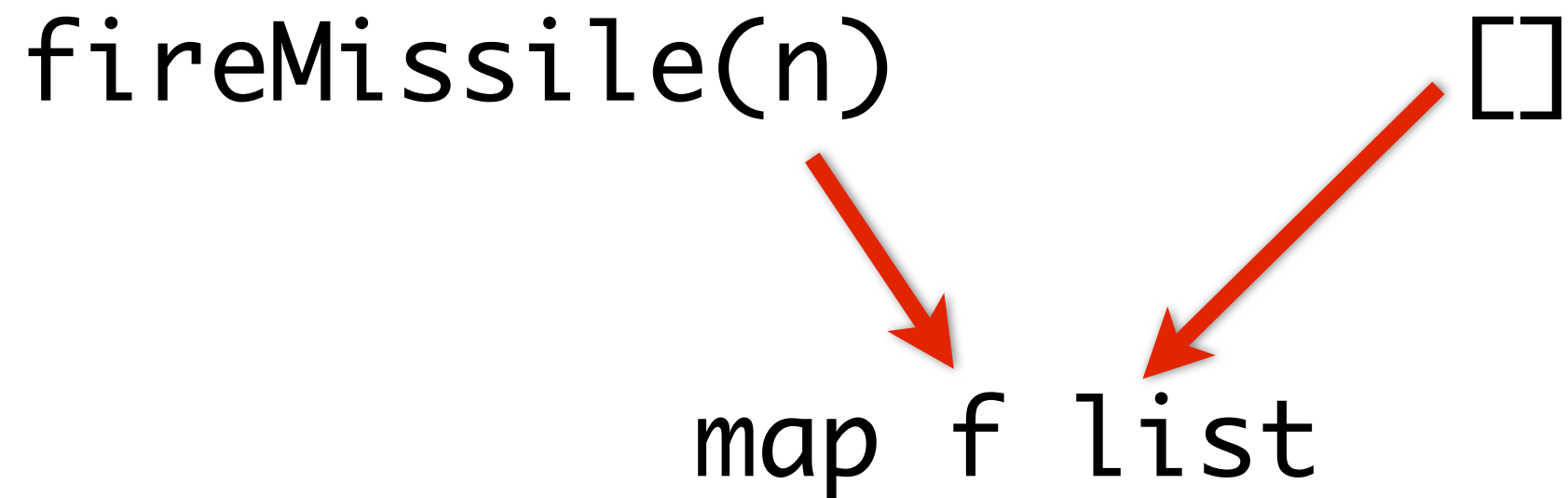
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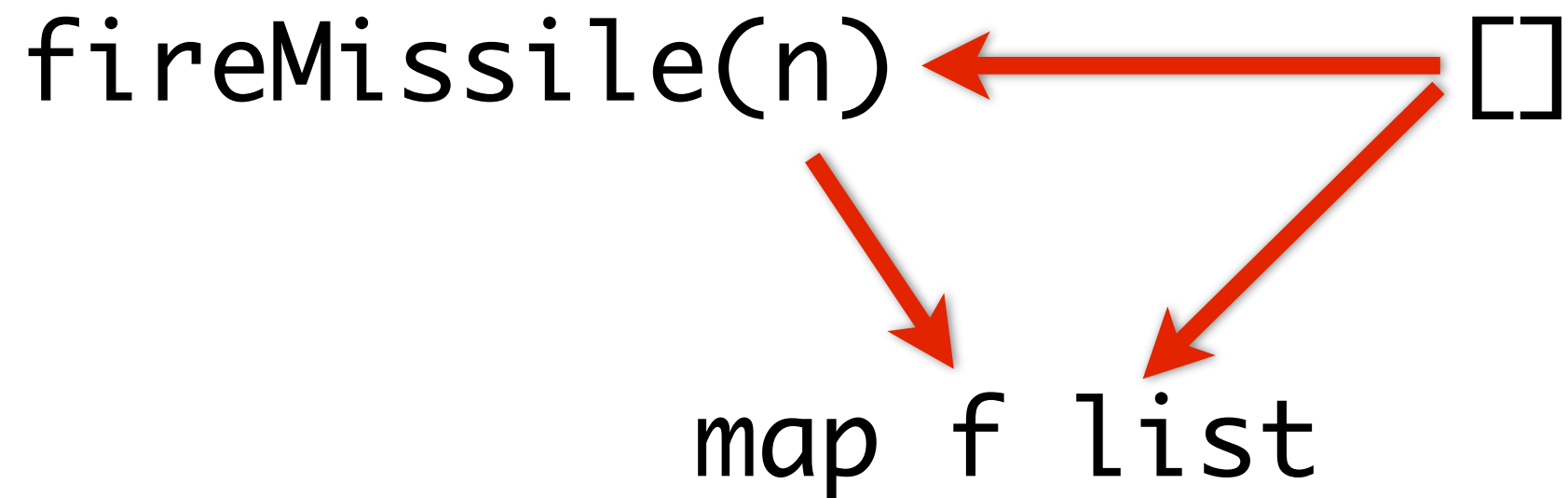
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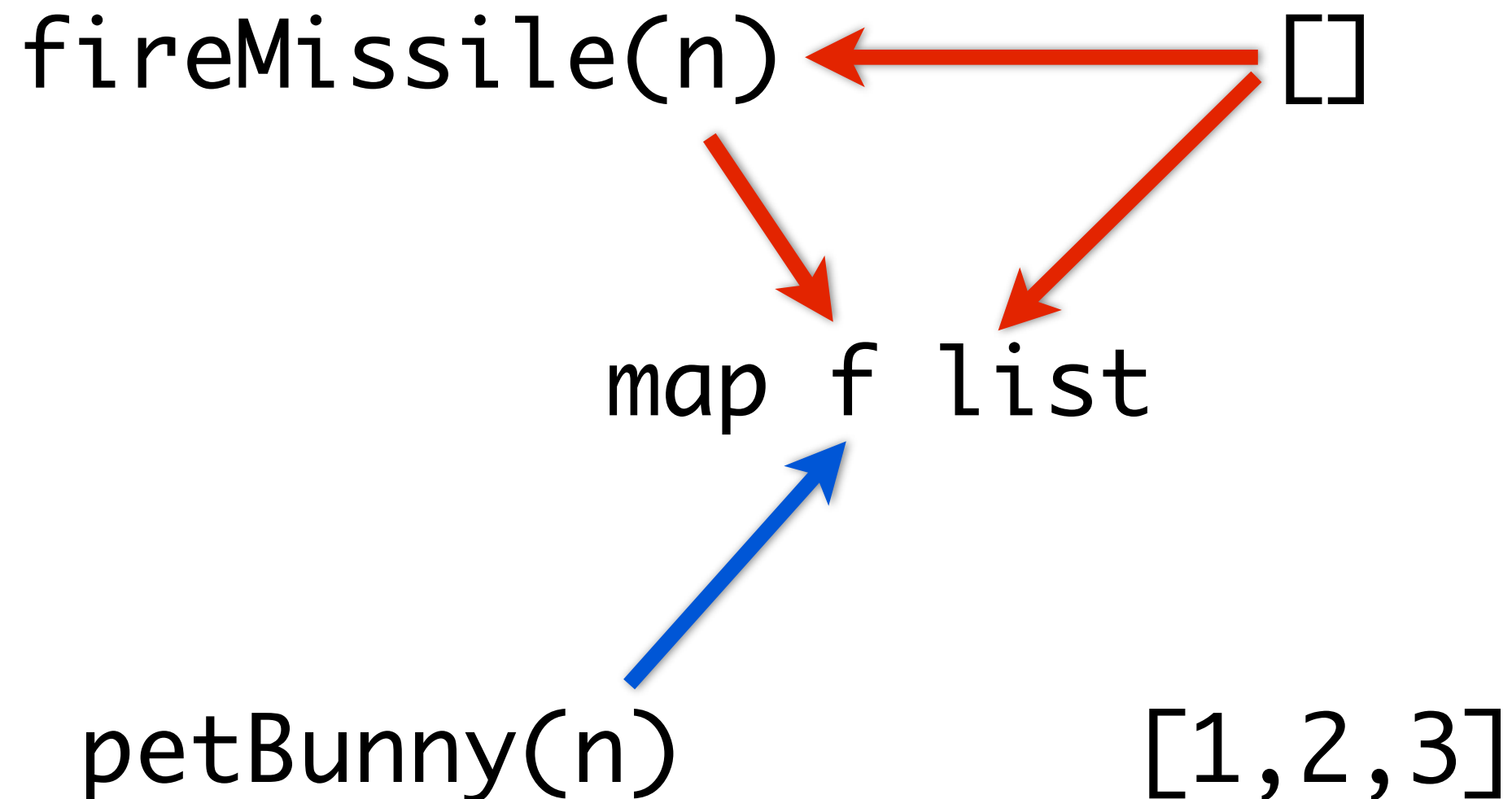
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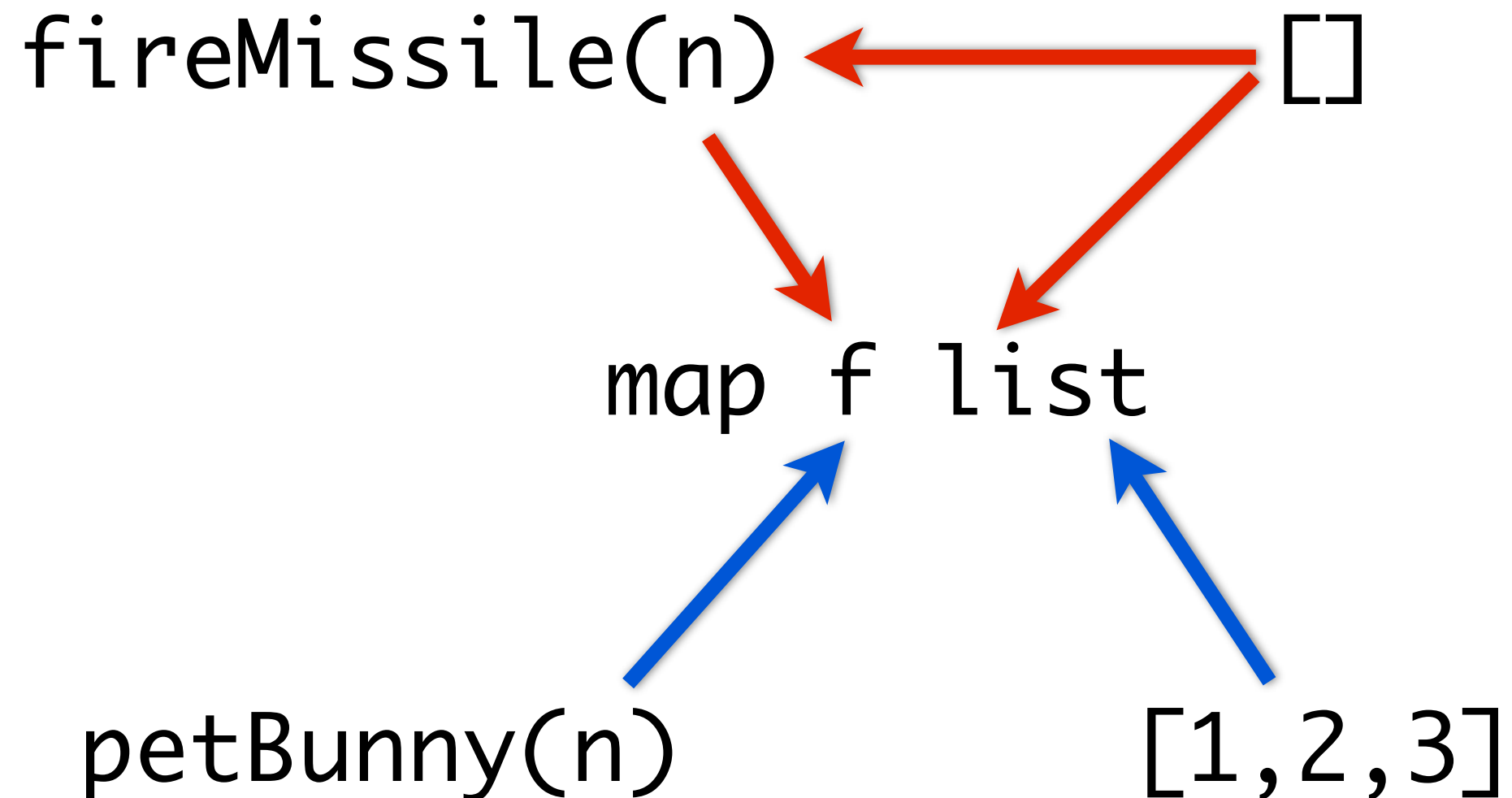
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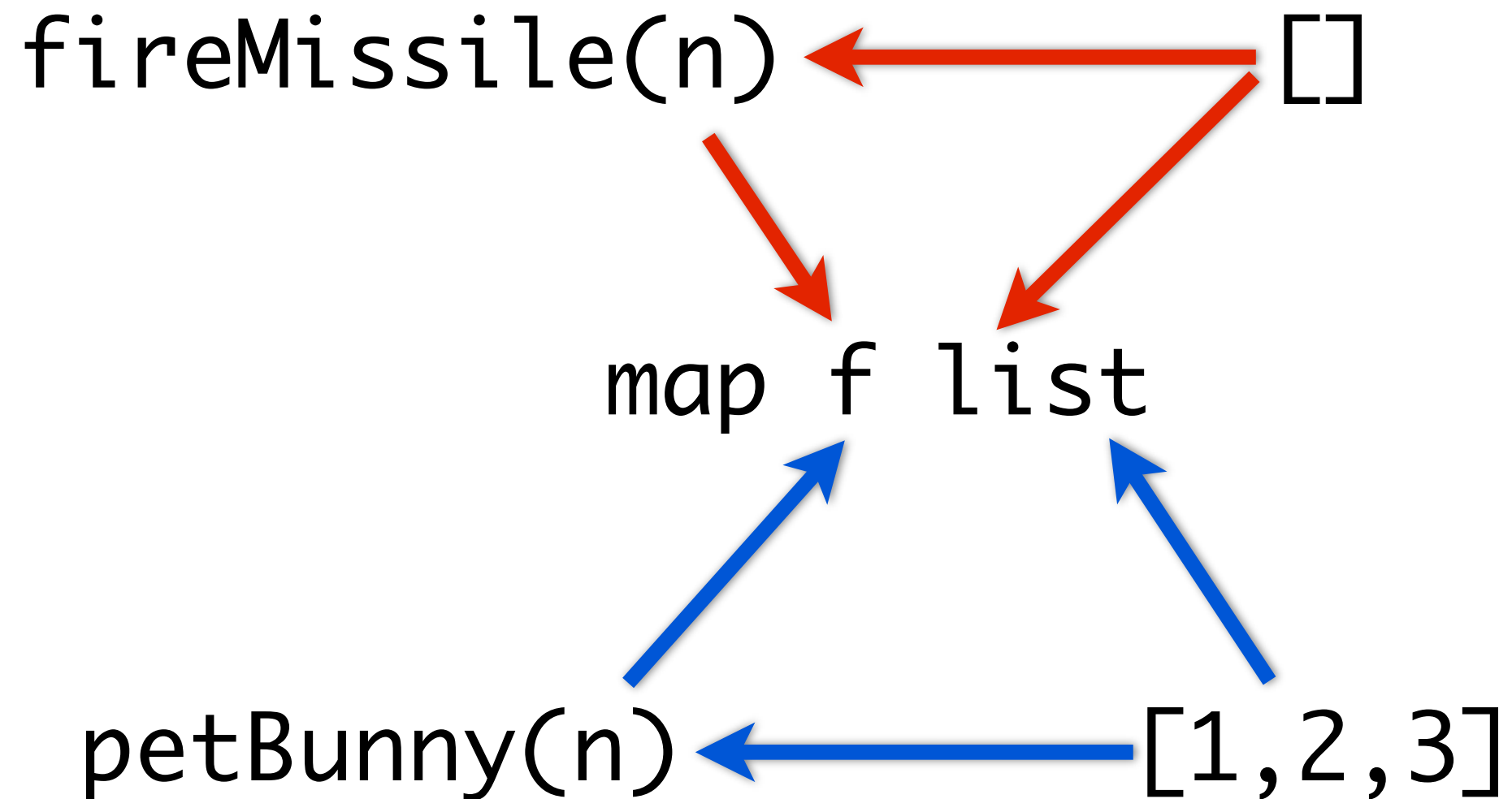
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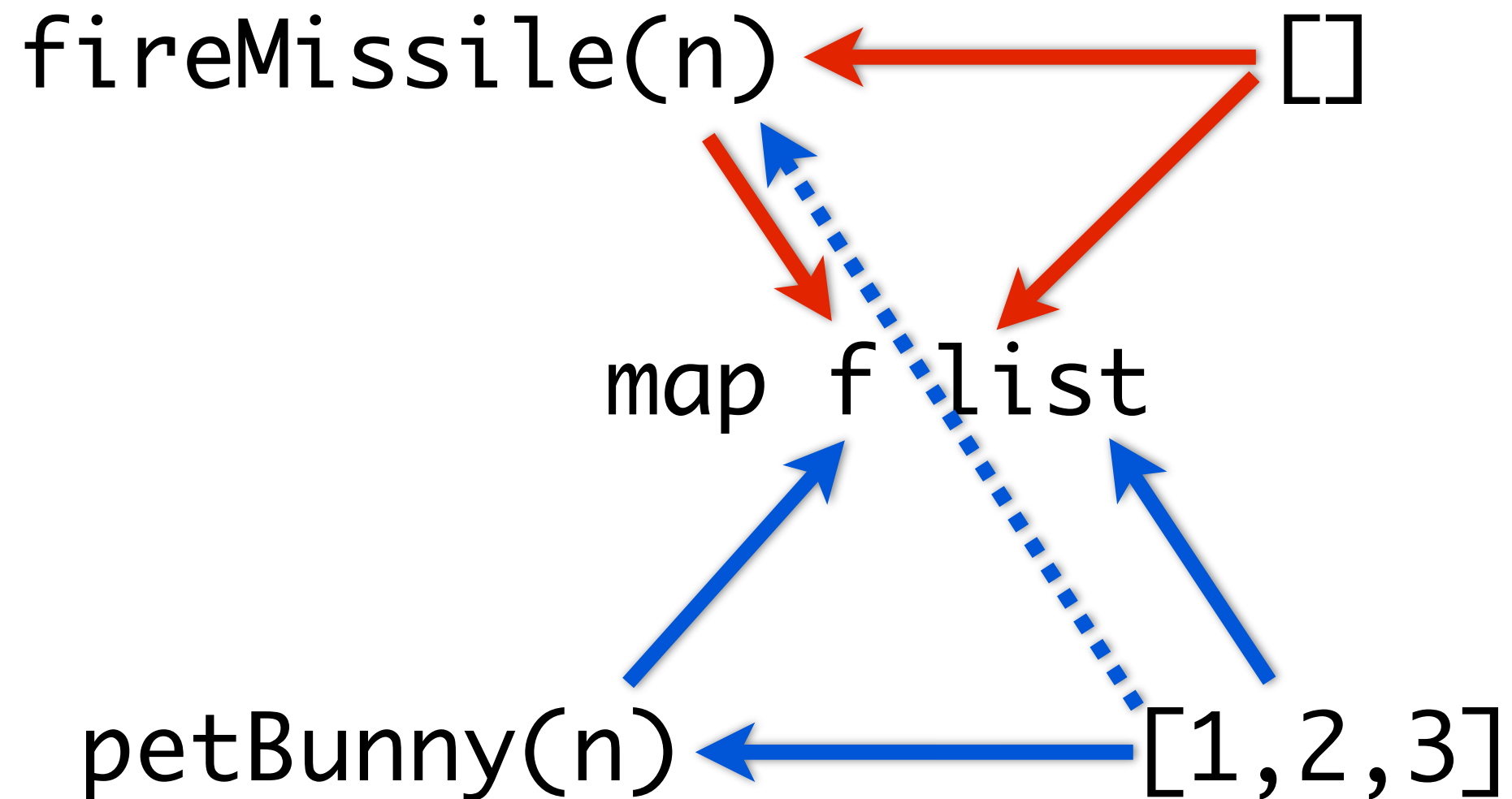
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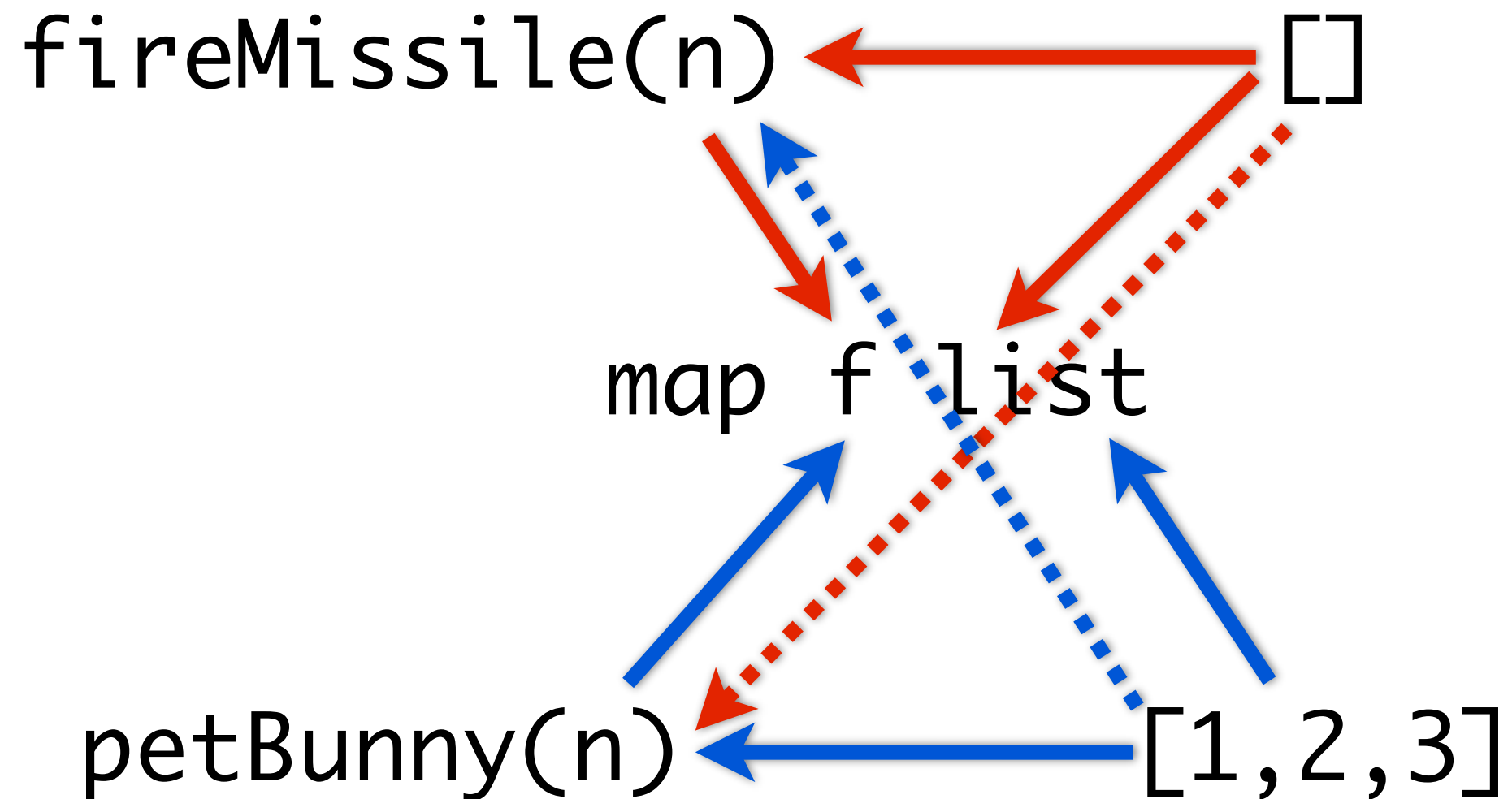
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No attention to order.

Monotonic.

A different approach: Small-step analysis

(Joint work with David Van Horn)

Easier to understand.

Simpler to derive.

Faster to compute.

A program is an
infinite state machine.

**An analysis is a
finite state machine.**

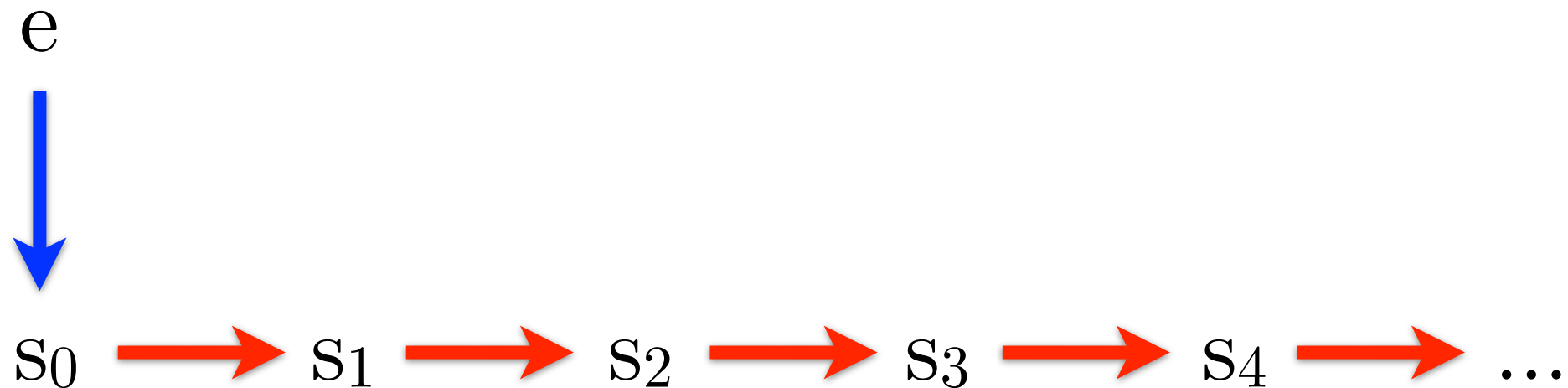
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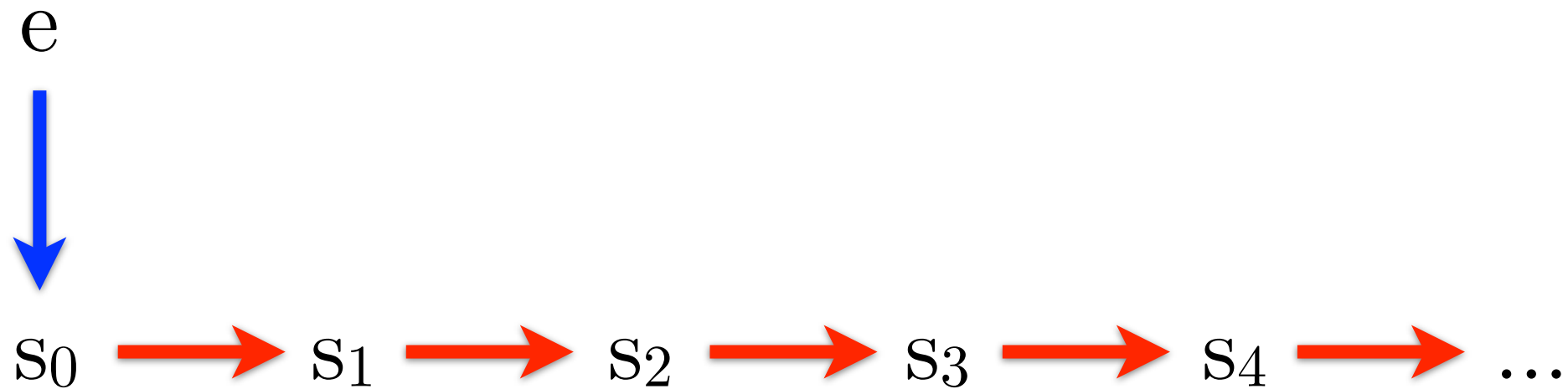
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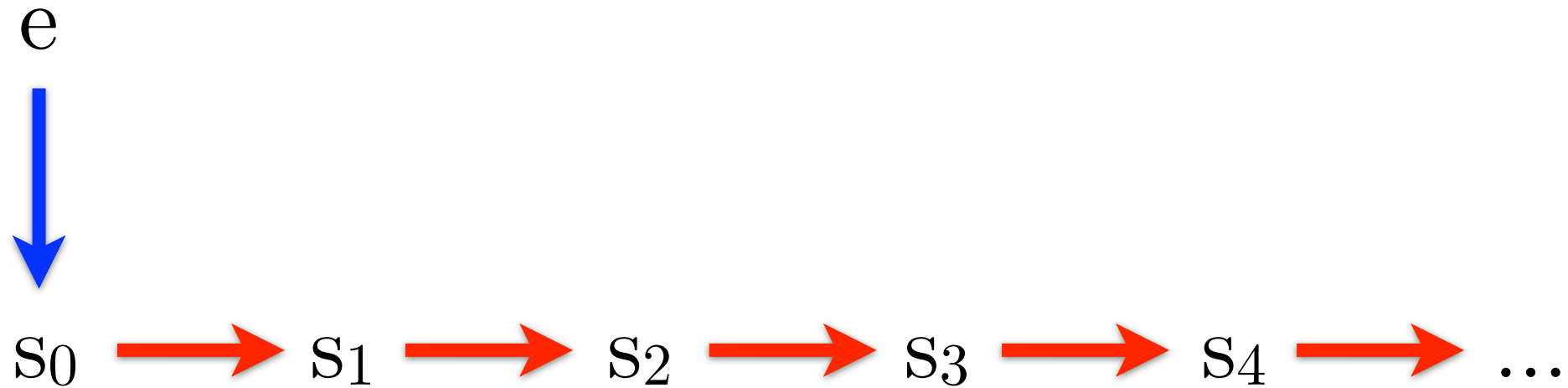
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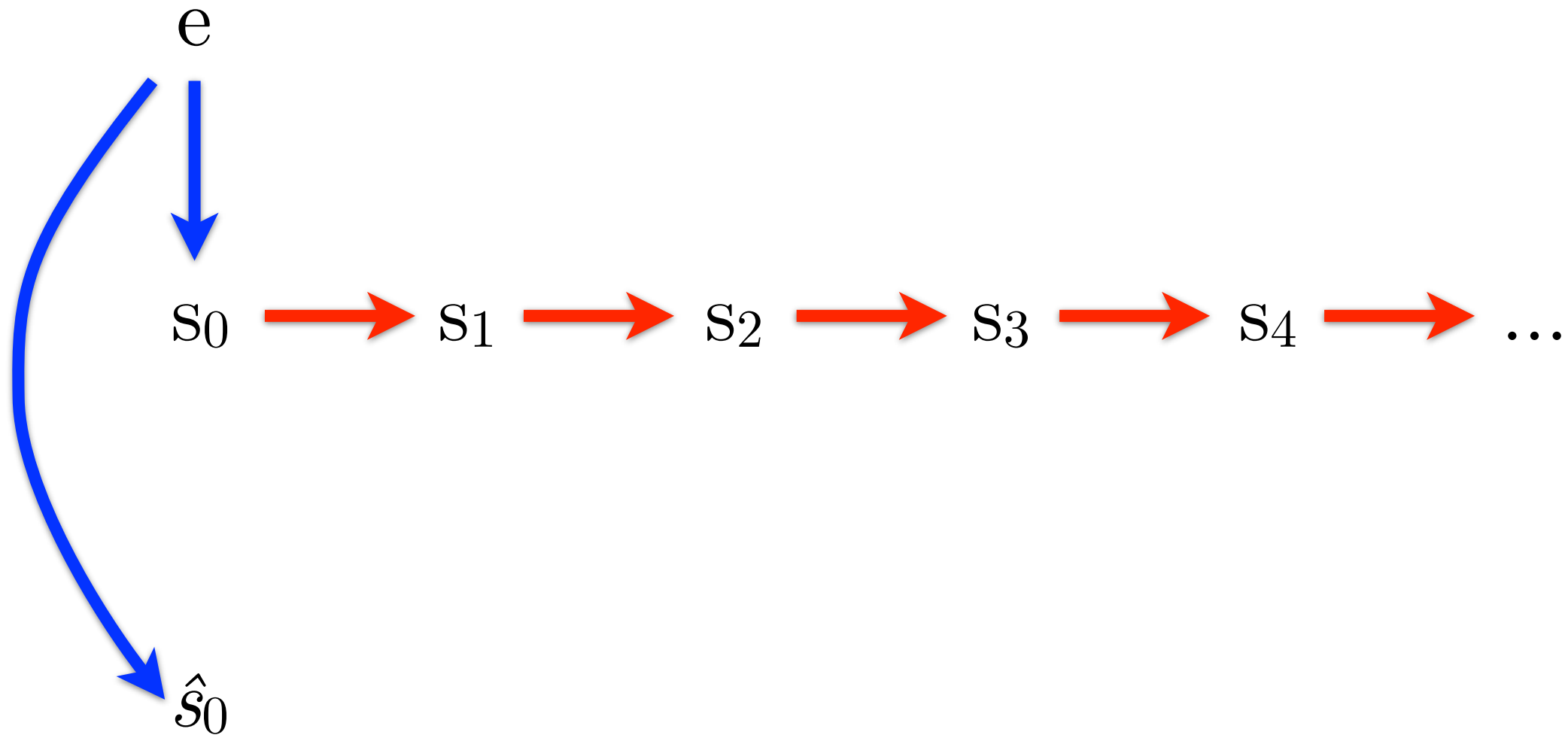
Analysis machine



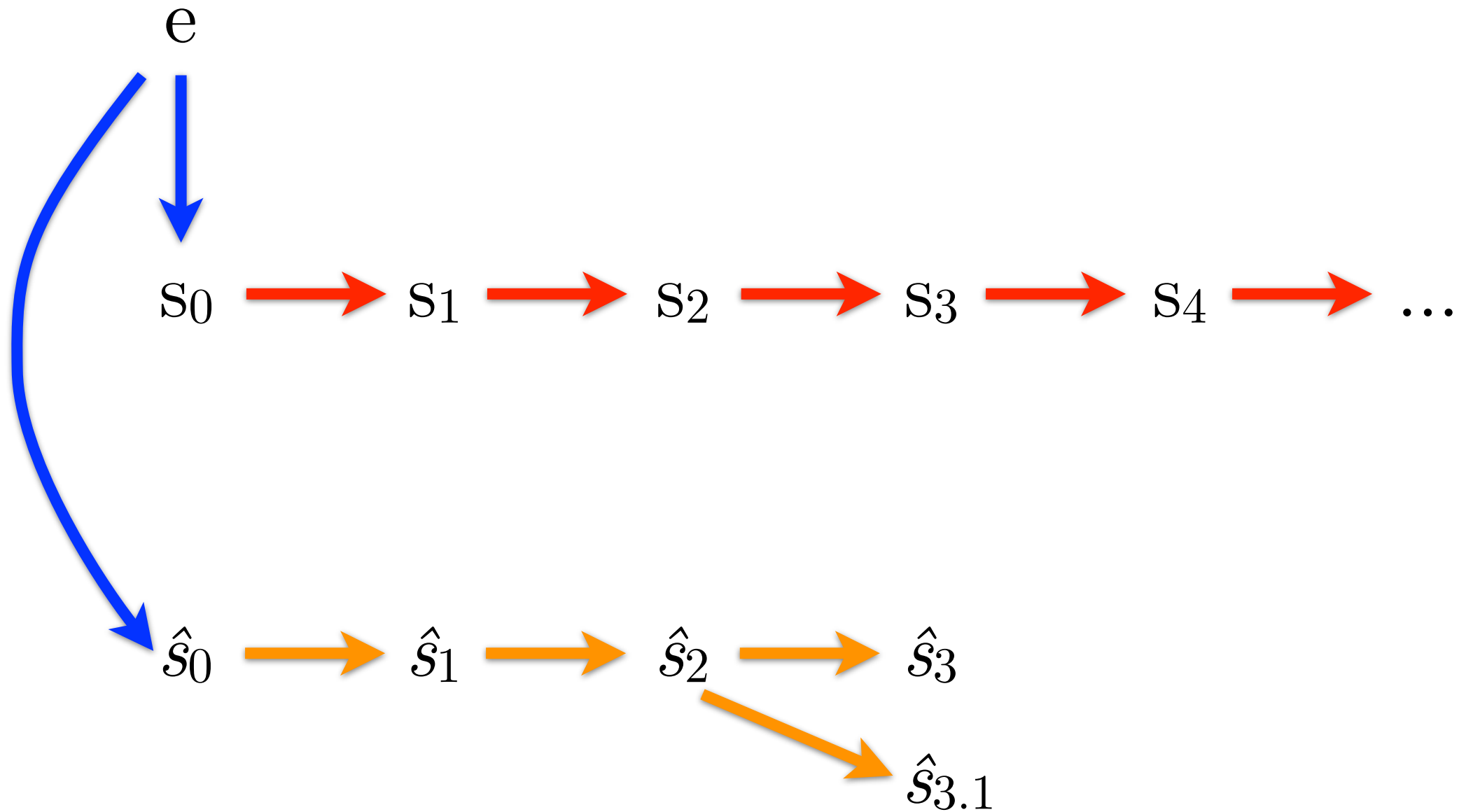
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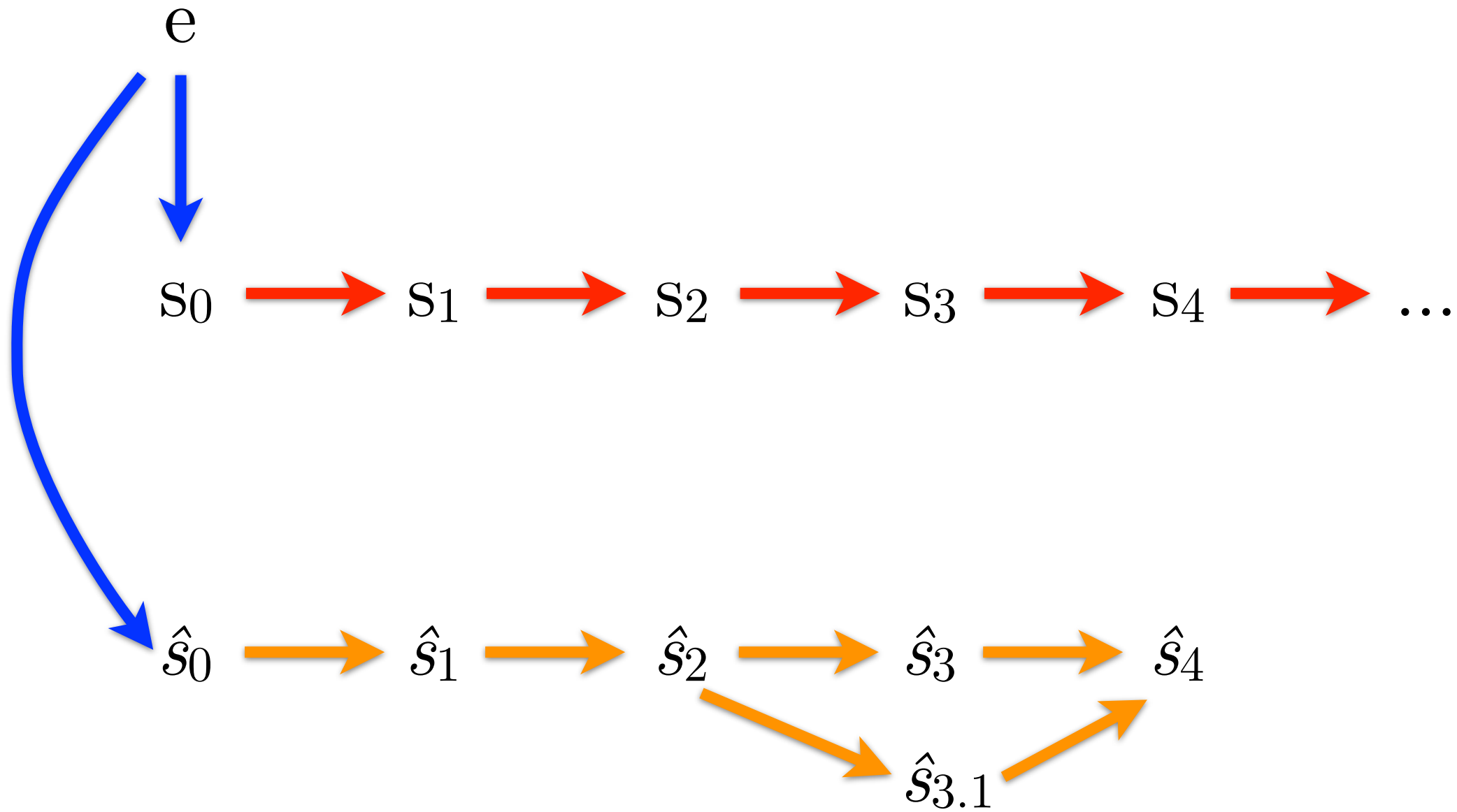
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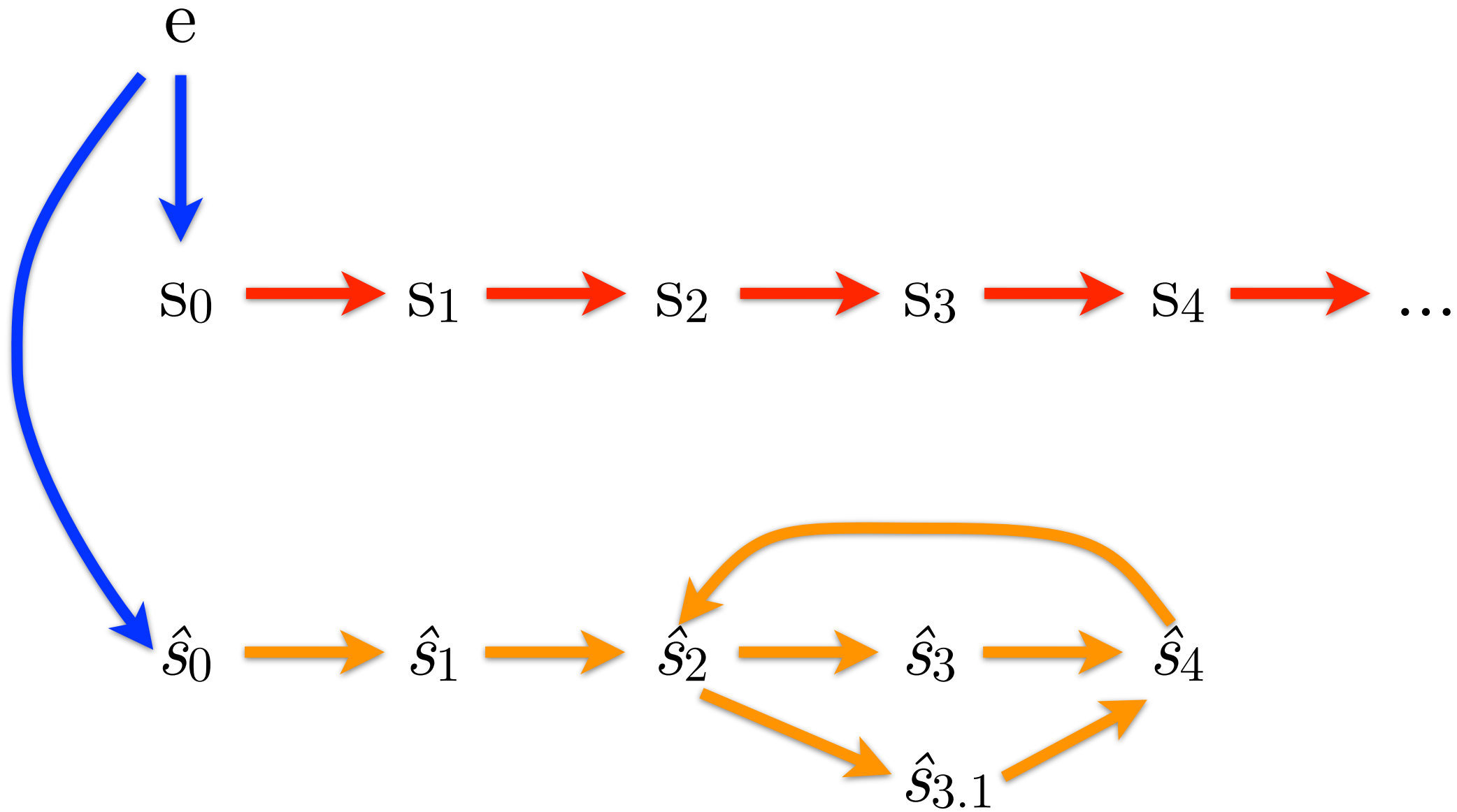
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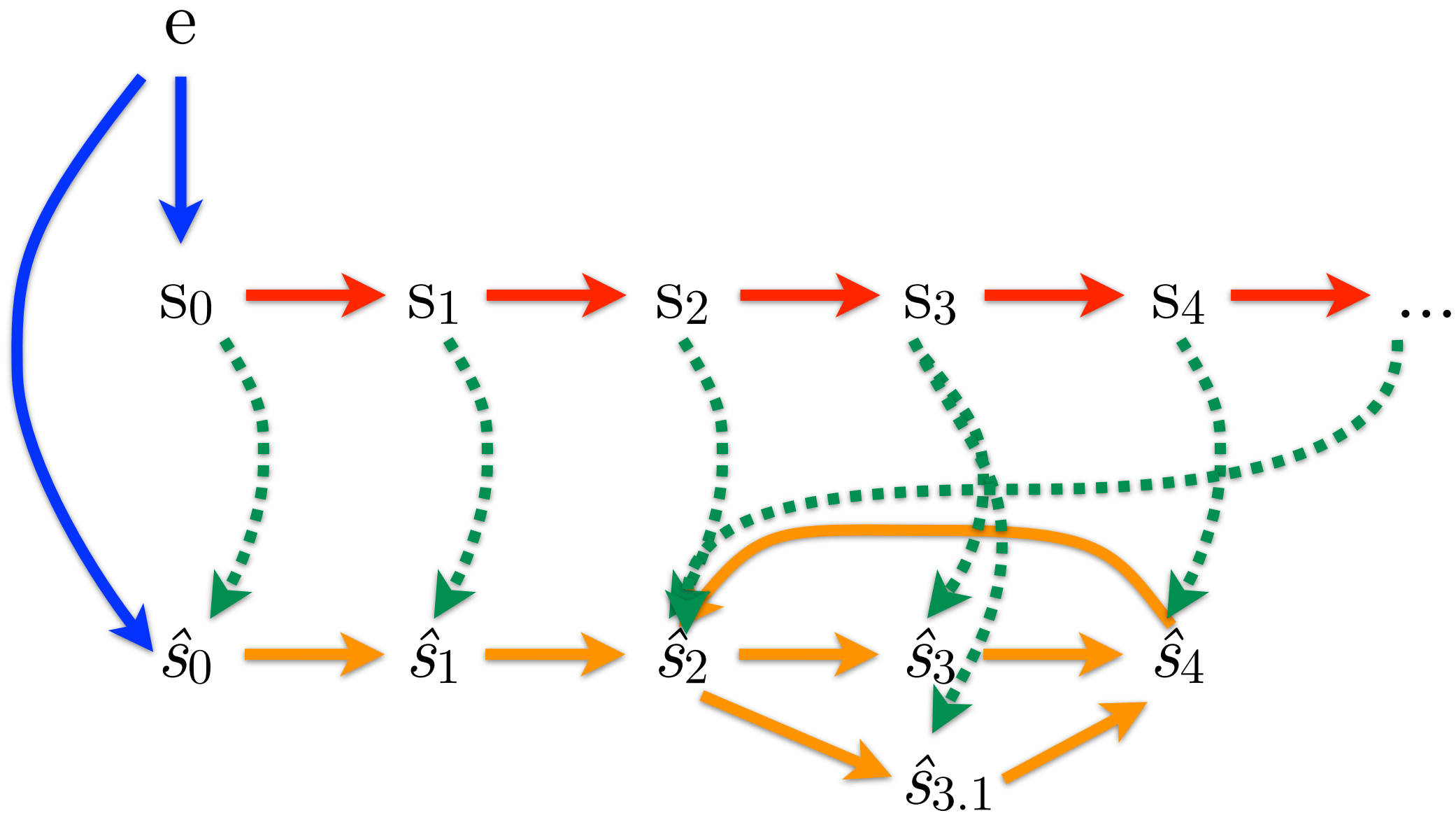
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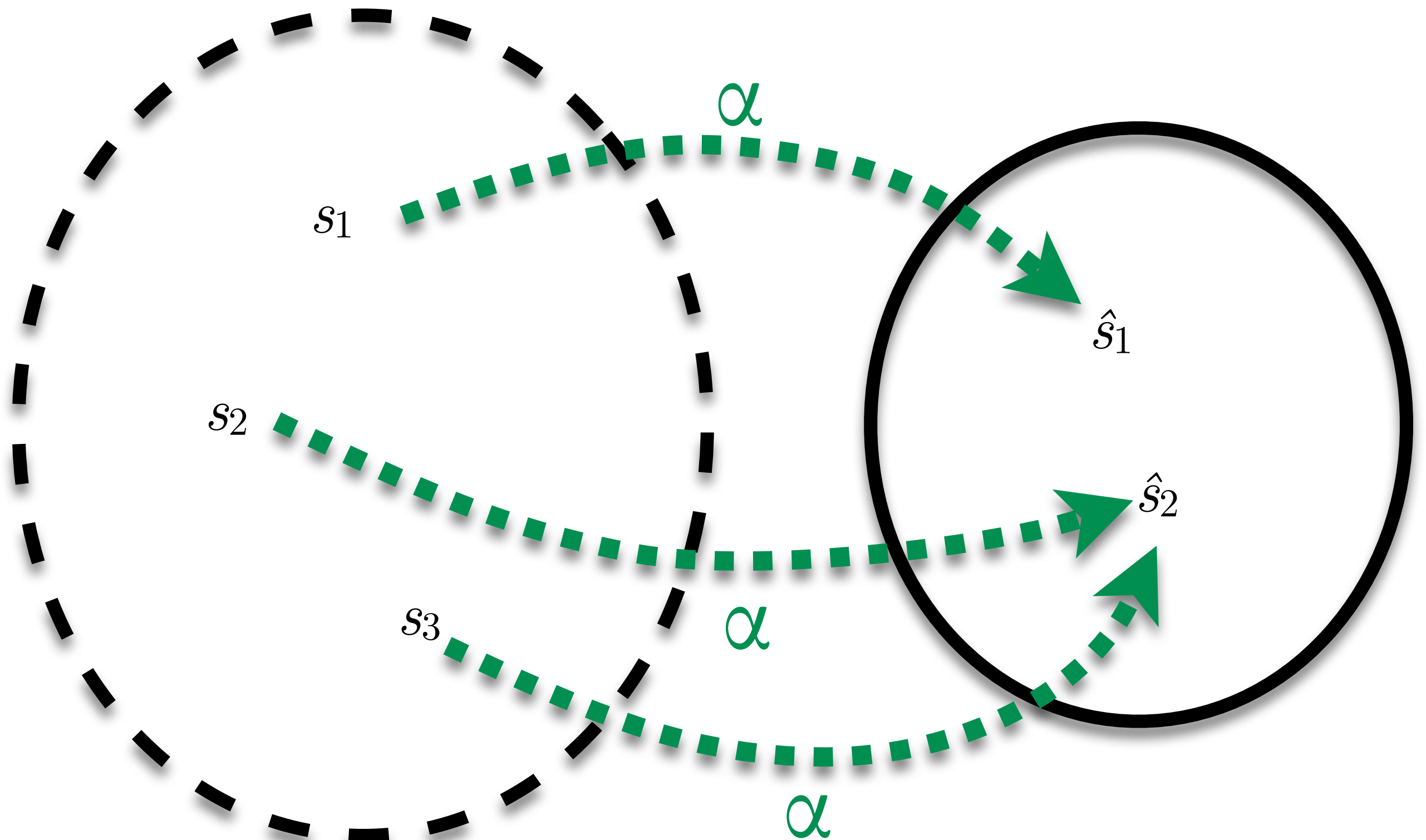
Theorem: The analysis simulates the machine.

“Concrete”

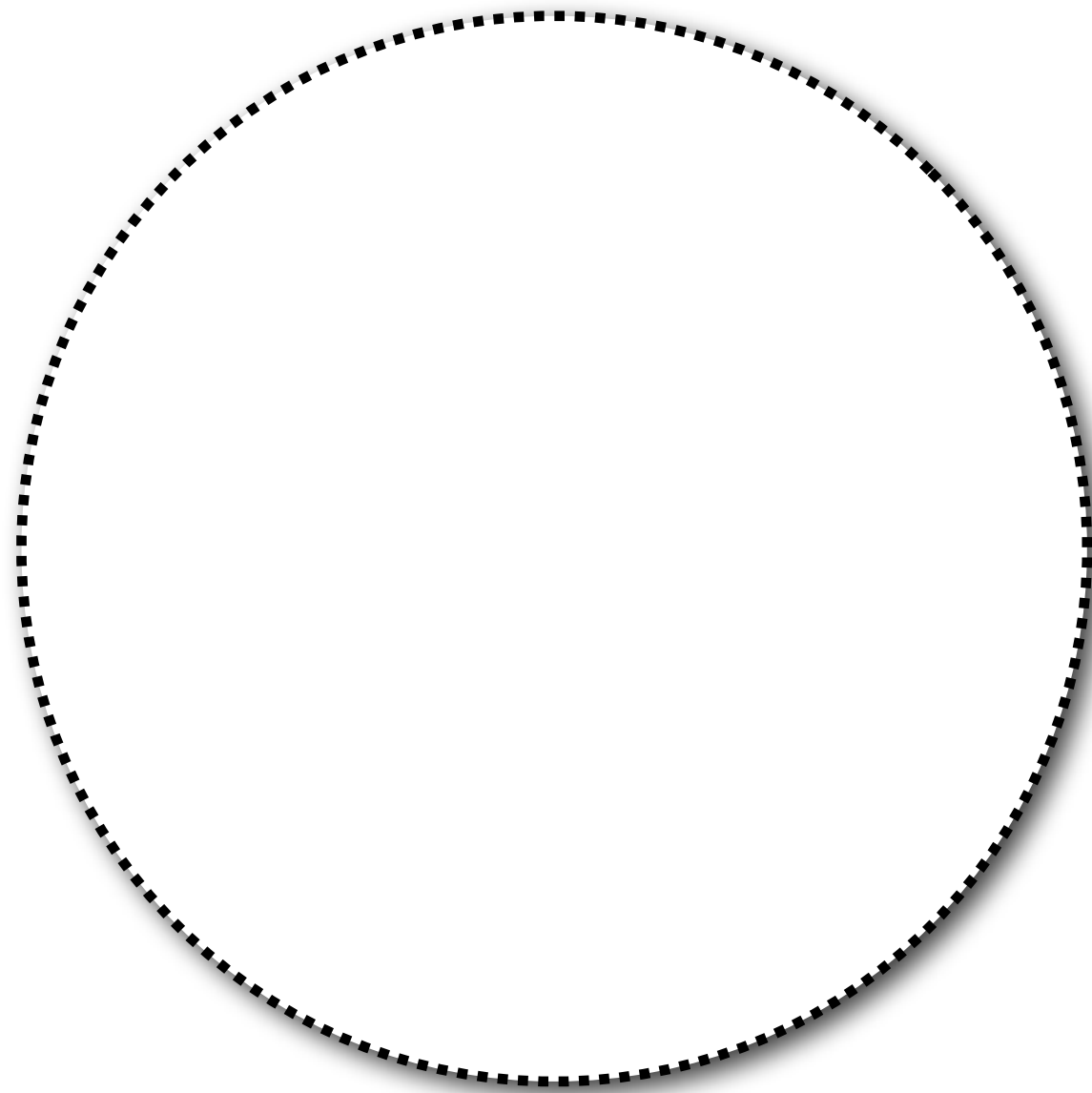
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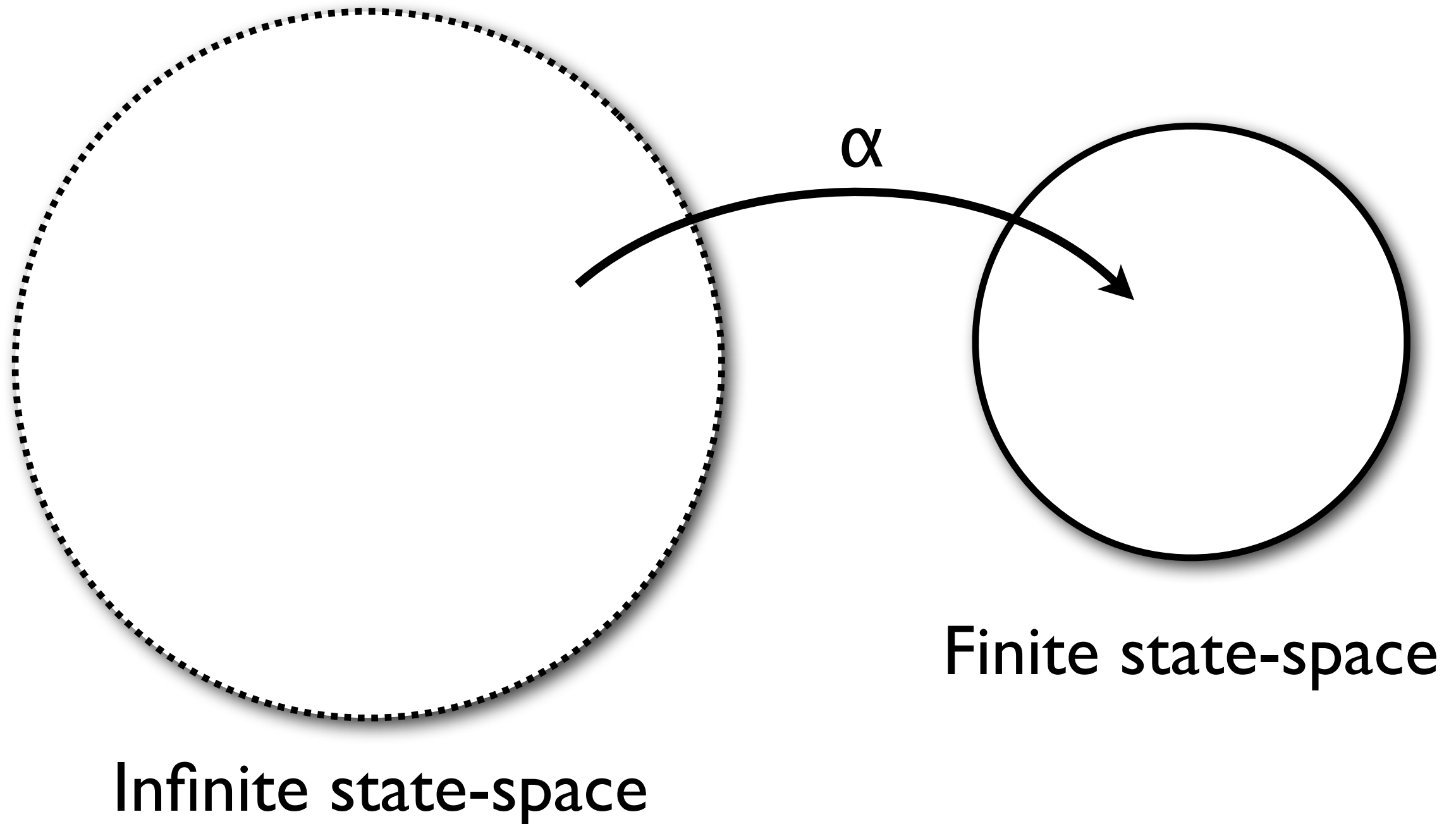


Small-step analysis...



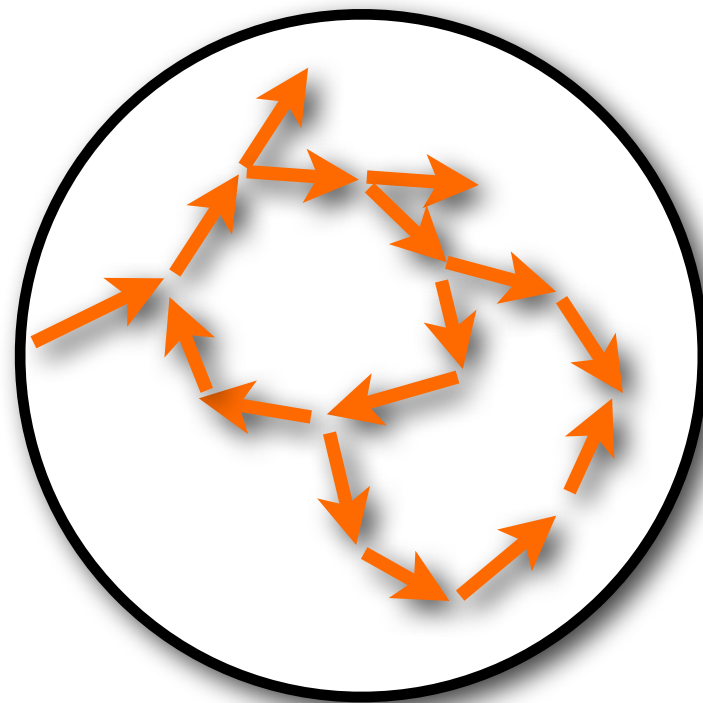
Infinite state-space

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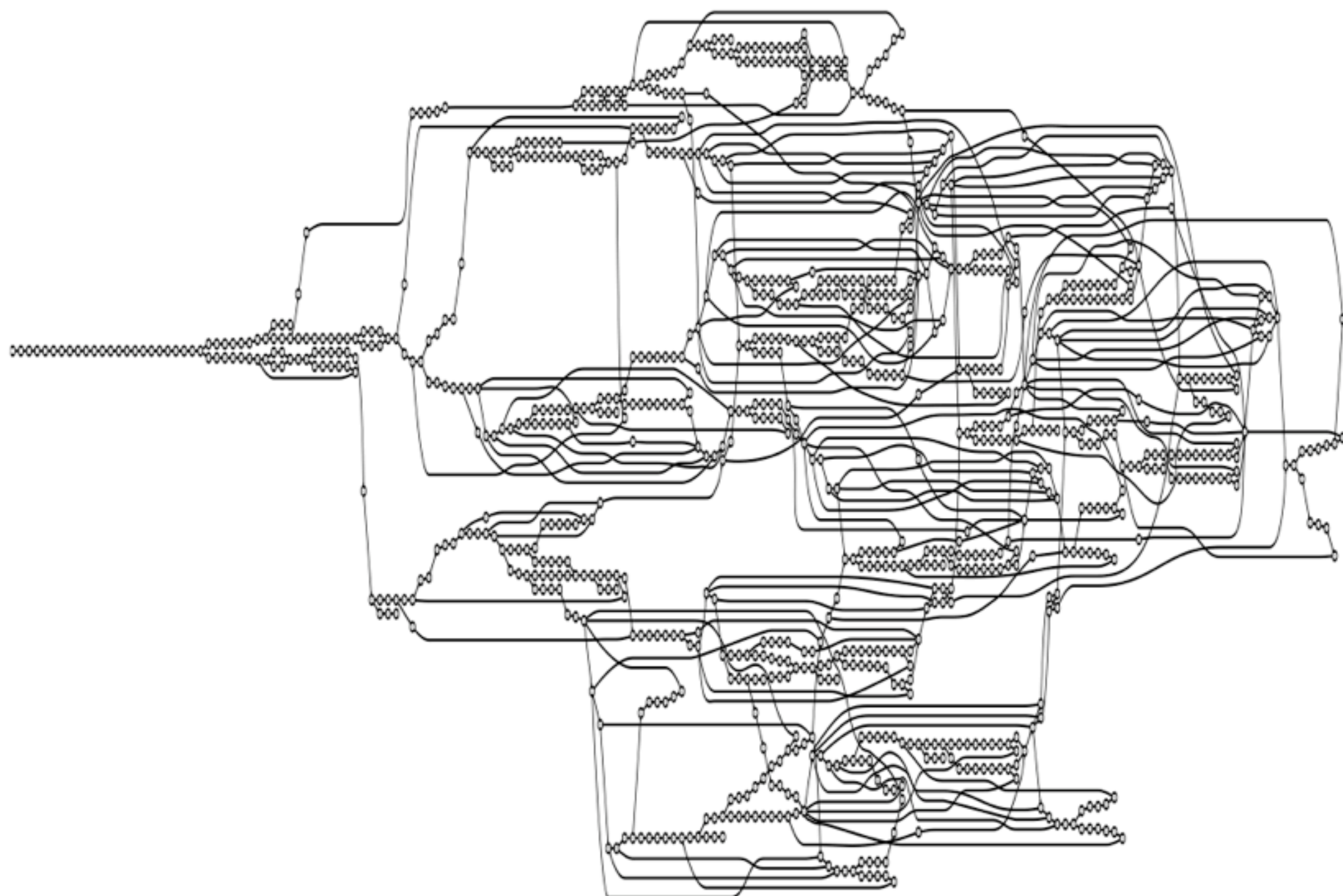


...is bounded graph search.

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Finite state-space



Example:
Small steps for CPS

Continuation-passing style

$$f, e \in \text{Exp} = \text{Var} + \text{Lam} + \text{App}$$

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$\text{lam} \in \text{Lam} ::= (\lambda (v_1 \dots v_n) \text{ call})$

$\text{call} \in \text{Call} ::= (f e_1 \dots e_n)$

No call returns

Callers pass callbacks

Still Turing-complete

Concrete state-space

$$\varsigma \in \Sigma = \text{Call} \times \textit{Env}$$

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Concrete semantics

$$(\Rightarrow) \subseteq \Sigma \times \Sigma$$

Concrete semantics

$$\mathcal{E} : \text{Exp} \times \textit{Env} \longrightarrow \textit{Clo}$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\textit{lam}, \rho) = (\textit{lam}, \rho)$$

$$\mathcal{E}(v, \rho) = \rho(v)$$

$(\llbracket (f \ e_1 \ \dots \ e_n) \rrbracket, \rho) \Rightarrow (call, \rho''),$ where

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$$(\llbracket (\lambda \ (v_1 \dots v_n) \ call) \rrbracket, \rho') = \mathcal{E}(f, \rho)$$

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& \quad \rho'' = \rho'[v_i \mapsto clo_i]
\end{aligned}$$

To analyze?

Make it finite!

Abstract state-space

$$\varsigma \in \Sigma = \text{Call} \times \text{Env}$$

$$\rho \in \text{Env} = \text{Var} \rightarrow \text{Clo}$$

$$\text{clo} \in \text{Clo} = \text{Lam} \times \text{Env}$$

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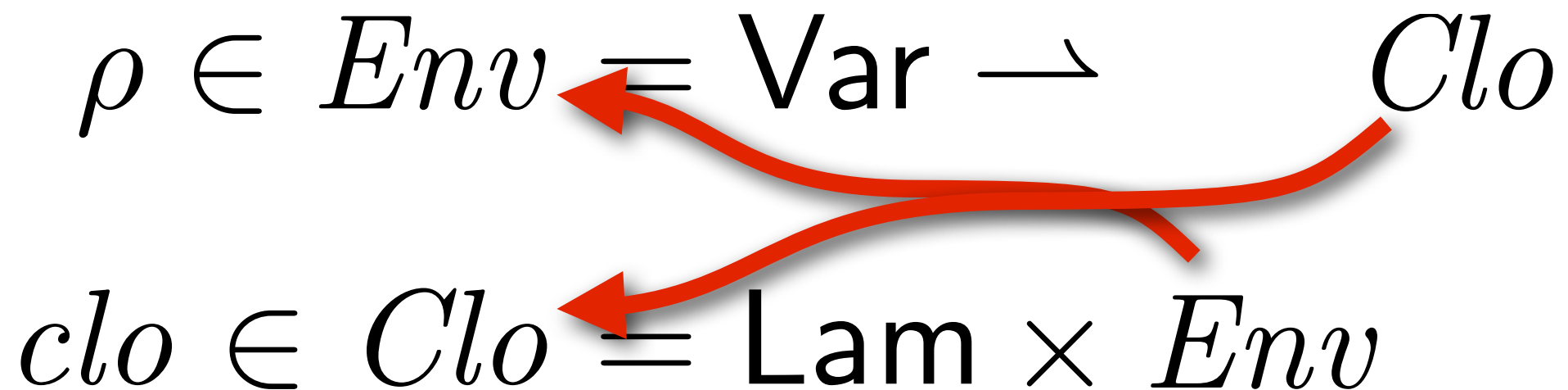
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Abstract state-space

$$\hat{\zeta} \in \hat{\Sigma} = \text{Call} \times \widehat{Env}$$

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$$\widehat{clo} \in \widehat{Clo} = \text{Lam}$$

$$\alpha(lam, \rho) = lam$$

$$\alpha(\textit{call}, \rho) = (\textit{call}, \alpha(\rho))$$

$$\alpha(\rho) = \lambda v. \{ \alpha(\rho'(v)) : \rho' \text{ is reachable in } \rho \}$$

Abstract semantics

$$\left(\rightsquigarrow \rightarrow \right) \subseteq \hat{\Sigma} \times \hat{\Sigma}$$

Abstract semantics

$$\mathcal{E} : \text{Exp} \times \textit{Env} \longrightarrow \textit{Clo}$$

Abstract semantics

$$\hat{\mathcal{E}} : \text{Exp} \times \widehat{Env} \rightarrow \mathcal{P} \left(\widehat{Clo} \right)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{E}}(lam, \hat{\rho}) = (lam, \hat{\rho})$$

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$$\hat{\mathcal{E}}(lam, \hat{\rho}) = \{lam\}$$

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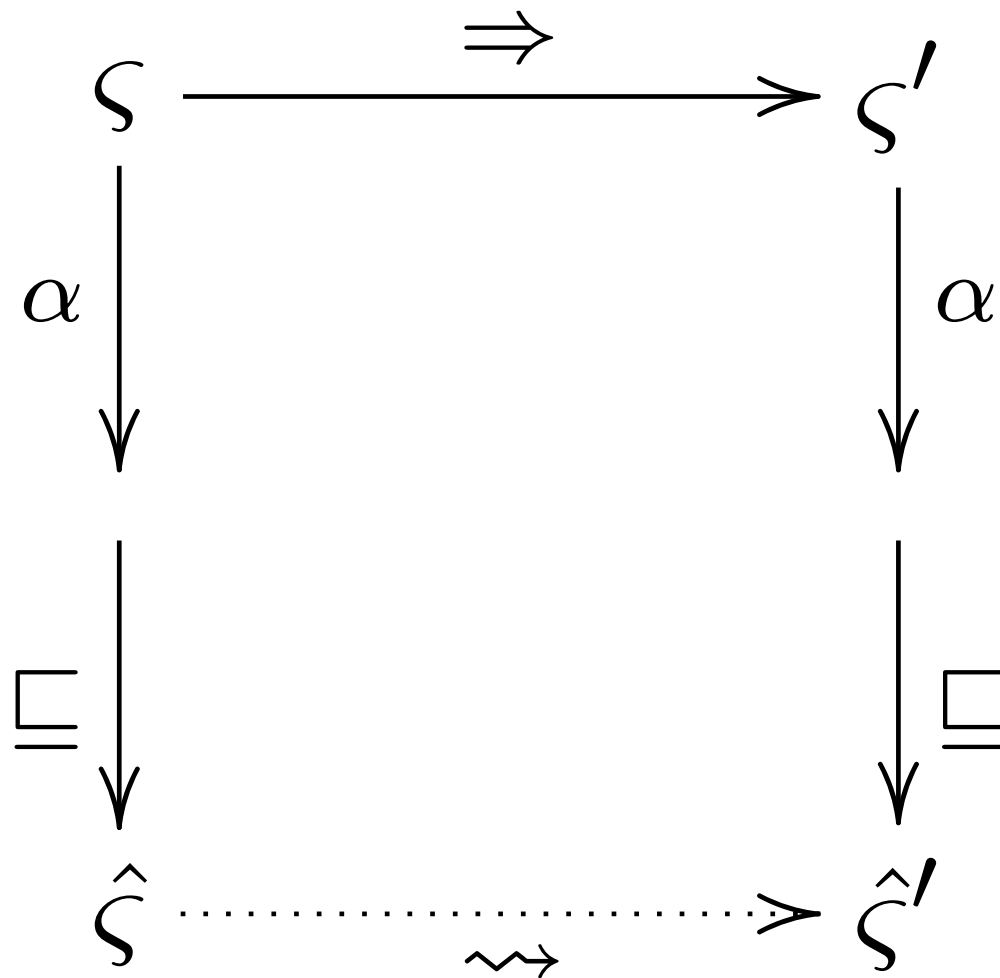
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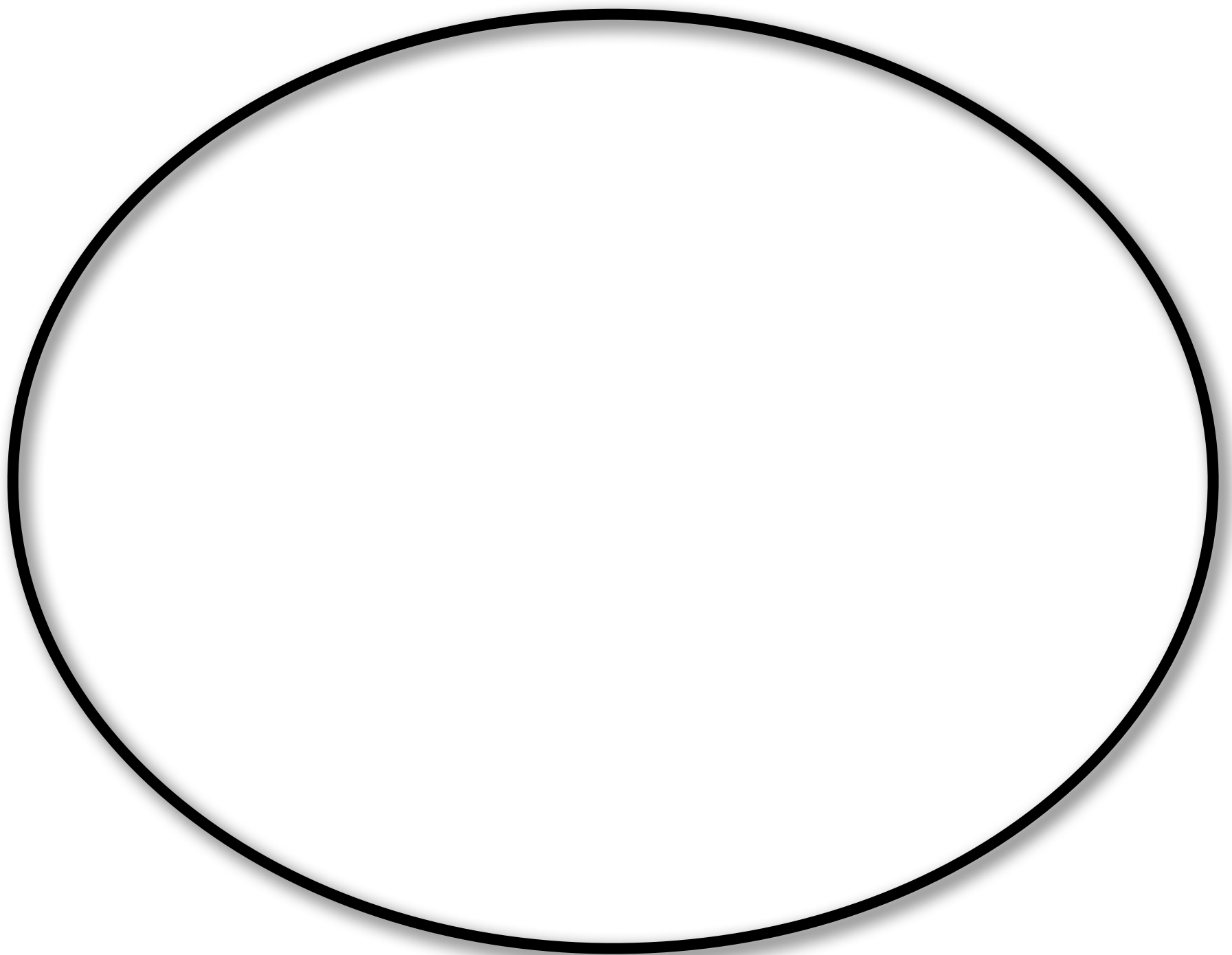
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& \rho'' = \rho' [v_i \mapsto clo_i]
\end{aligned}$$

Soundness



Theorem: If the concrete takes a step,
then the abstract can take a matching step.

Running 0CFA

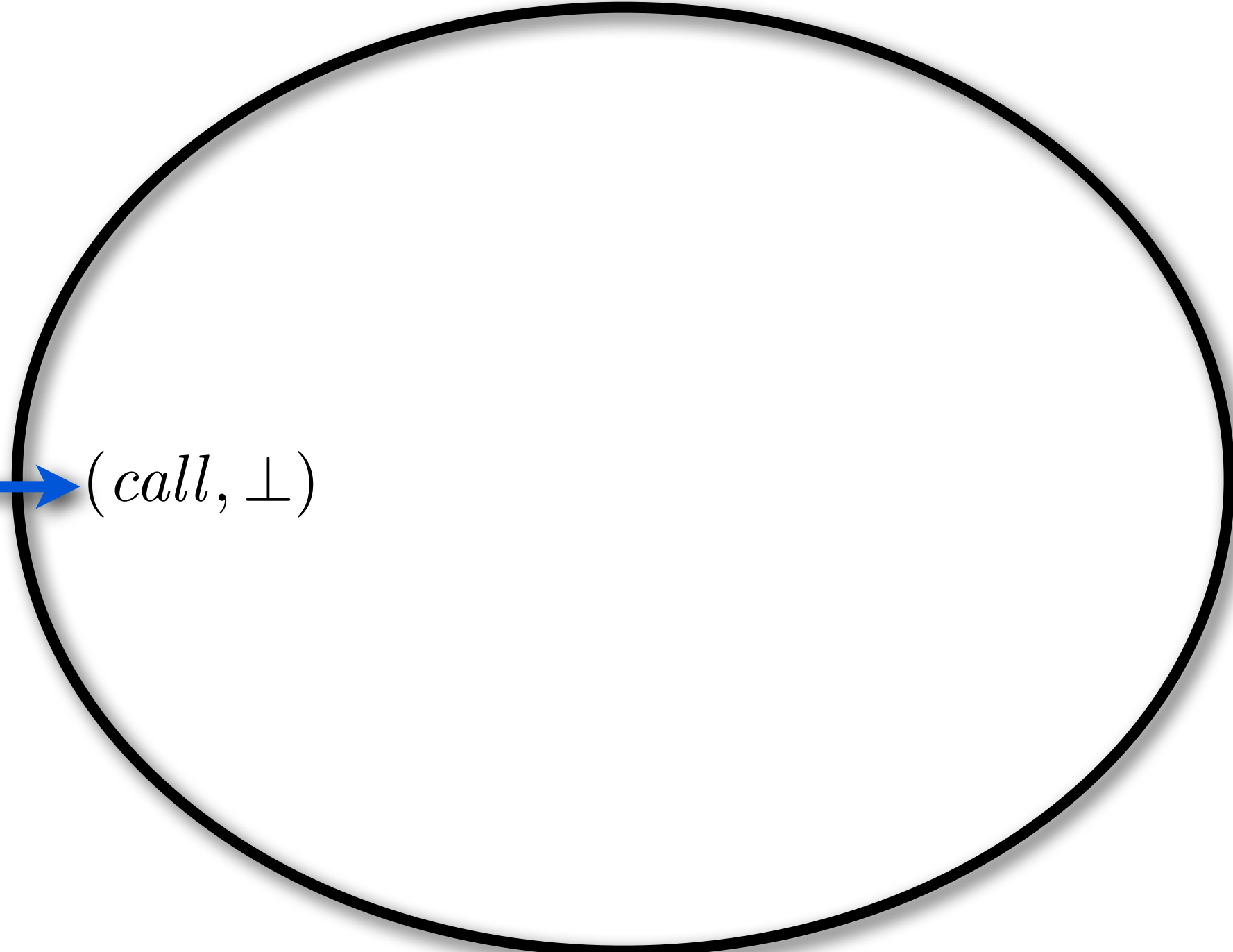


Running 0CFA

$$\hat{\Sigma}$$

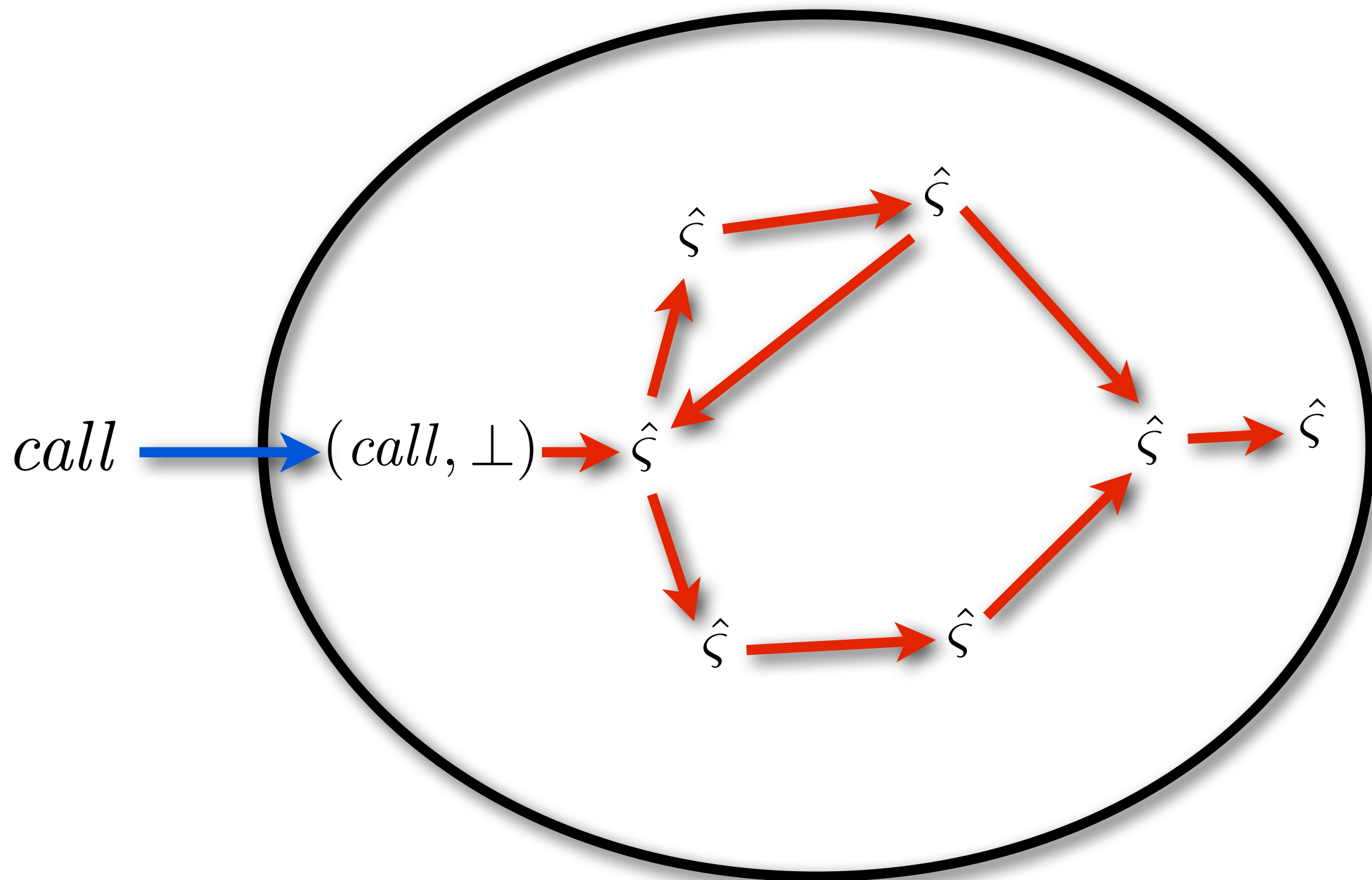
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call → $(call, \perp)$



The diagram shows a large, empty oval representing a node in a control flow graph. A blue arrow points from the label *call* to the left edge of the oval. Inside the oval, near the point of entry, is the text $(call, \perp)$, indicating the state of the analysis at this node.

Running 0CFA



Order between states is preserved.

Monotonic growth not required.

How about the next level?

ANF

$$f, \mathfrak{x} \in \text{AExp} = \text{Var} + \text{Lam}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} e \in \text{Exp} ::= (\text{let } ((v \text{ call})) e') \\ \quad | \text{ call} \\ \quad | \mathfrak{x} \end{array}$$

$$\text{call} \in \text{Call} ::= (f \mathfrak{x}_1 \dots \mathfrak{x}_n)$$

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{Exp} \times \mathbf{Env} \times \mathbf{Store} \times \mathit{Kont}$$

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$$\text{Env} = \text{Var} \rightarrow \text{Addr}$$

$$\text{Store} = \text{Addr} \rightarrow \mathcal{P} (\text{Clo} + \text{Kont})$$

$$\text{Kont} = \text{Var} \times \text{Exp} \times \text{Env} \times \text{Addr} + \{\mathbf{halt}\}$$

Addr is an finite set of addresses

And, other machines?

CEK (F&F, 1986)

$$\varsigma \longmapsto_{CEK} \varsigma'$$

 $\langle x, \rho, \kappa \rangle$ $\langle (e_0 e_1), \rho, \kappa \rangle$ $\langle v, \rho, \mathbf{ar}(e, \rho', \kappa) \rangle$ $\langle v, \rho, \mathbf{fn}((\lambda x.e), \rho', \kappa) \rangle$ $\langle v, \rho', \kappa \rangle$ where $\rho(x) = (v, \rho')$ $\langle e_0, \rho, \mathbf{ar}(e_1, \rho, \kappa) \rangle$ $\langle e, \rho', \mathbf{fn}(v, \rho, \kappa) \rangle$ $\langle e, \rho'[x \mapsto (v, \rho)], \kappa \rangle$

Krivine (ICFP 2010)

$$\begin{aligned}\varsigma \in \Sigma &= Exp \times Env \times Store \times Kont \\ s \in Storable &::= \mathbf{d}(e, \rho) \mid \mathbf{c}(v, \rho) \\ \kappa \in Kont &::= \mathbf{mt} \mid \mathbf{c}_1(a, \kappa) \mid \mathbf{c}_2(a, \kappa)\end{aligned}$$

CM (ICFP 2010)

$\varsigma \longmapsto_{CM} \varsigma'$	
$\langle \mathbf{fail}, \rho, \sigma, \kappa \rangle$	$\langle \mathbf{fail}, \rho, \sigma, \mathbf{mt}^\emptyset \rangle$
$\langle (\mathbf{frame} \ R \ e), \rho, \sigma, \kappa \rangle$	$\langle e, \rho, \sigma, \kappa[\overline{R} \mapsto \mathbf{deny}] \rangle$
$\langle (\mathbf{grant} \ R \ e), \rho, \sigma, \kappa \rangle$	$\langle e, \rho, \sigma, \kappa[R \mapsto \mathbf{grant}] \rangle$
$\langle (\mathbf{test} \ R \ e_0 \ e_1), \rho, \sigma, \kappa \rangle$	$\begin{cases} \langle e_0, \rho, \sigma, \kappa \rangle & \text{if } \mathcal{OK}(R, \kappa), \\ \langle e_1, \rho, \sigma, \kappa \rangle & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
$\mathcal{OK}(\emptyset, \kappa)$	
$\mathcal{OK}(R, \mathbf{mt}^m)$	$\iff (R \cap m^{-1}(\mathbf{deny}) = \emptyset)$
$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{OK}(R, \mathbf{fn}^m(v, \rho, \kappa)) \\ \mathcal{OK}(R, \mathbf{ar}^m(e, \rho, \kappa)) \end{array} \right\}$	$\iff (R \cap m^{-1}(\mathbf{deny}) = \emptyset) \wedge \mathcal{OK}(R \setminus m^{-1}(\mathbf{grant}), \kappa)$

Java (PLDI 2010)

$$\varsigma \in \Sigma = \text{Stmt} \times BEnv \times Store \times KontPtr \times Time$$

$$\beta \in BEnv = \text{Var} \rightarrow Addr$$

$$\sigma \in Store = Addr \rightarrow D$$

$$d \in D = Val$$

$$val \in Val = Obj + Kont$$

$$o \in Obj = \text{ClassName} \times BEnv$$

$$\kappa \in Kont = \text{Var} \times \text{Stmt} \times BEnv \times KontPtr$$

$$a \in Addr \text{ is a set of addresses}$$

$$p^{\kappa} \in KontPtr \subseteq Addr$$

$$t \in Time \text{ is a set of time-stamps.}$$

C/LLVM

$$\begin{aligned}\varsigma \in State &= Eval + Apply + AppCont + AppFun \\ Eval &= STMT^* \times FrmPtr \times Conf \times StkPtr \\ Apply &= LHS^* \times D^* \times Eval \\ AppFun &= FUN \times D^* \times FrmPtr \times Conf \times StkPtr \\ AppCont &= Cont \times D \times Conf\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}d \in D &= Val \\ val \in Val &= Cont + FUN + Loc + Bas \\ \kappa \in Cont &= LHS \times STMT^* \times FrmPtr \times StkPtr \\ bas \in Bas &= \text{a set of basic values}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}loc \in Loc &= Addr + StkPtr + Bind \\ a \in Addr &= \text{an infinite set of heap pointers} \\ sp \in StkPtr &= \text{an infinite set of stack pointers} \\ fp \in FrmPtr &= StkPtr \\ b \in Bind &= VAR \times FrmPtr\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}c \in Conf &= Store \times Succ \times Pred \\ \sigma \in Store &= Loc \multimap D \\ \sigma_+ \in Succ &= Loc \multimap Loc \\ \sigma_- \in Pred &= Loc \multimap Loc\end{aligned}$$

Up next

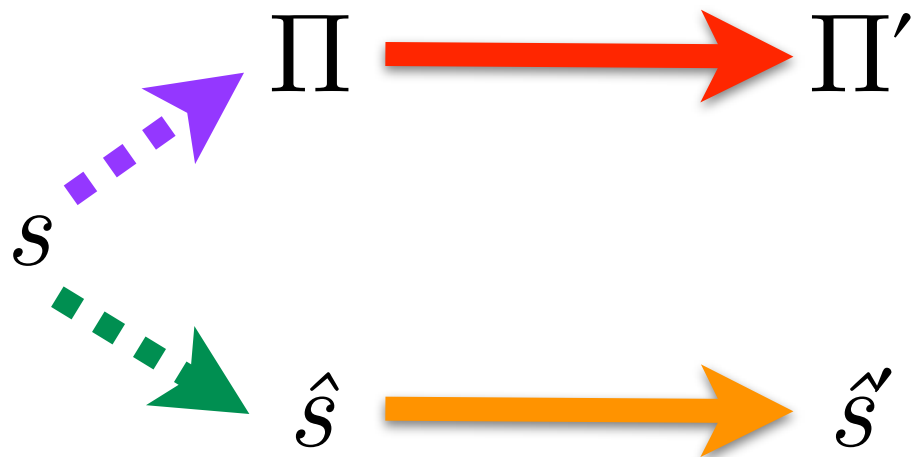
JavaScript

$\varsigma \in \Sigma = (\text{Stmt} + \text{Body}) \times BEnv \times Store \times FPtr$	[states]
$\beta \in BEnv = \text{Var} \rightarrow Addr$	[binding environments]
$\sigma \in Store = Addr \rightarrow D$	[stores]
$d \in D = Val$	[denotable values]
$val \in Val = Bas + Clo + Kont + Loc$	[values]
$bas \in Bas = String + Num + Boolean$	[basic values]
$clo \in Clo = Fun \times BEnv$	[closures]
$\kappa \in Kont ::= \mathbf{ret}(v, \beta, s, fp)$	[return continuations]
$\quad \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{ex}(v, \beta, s, fp, s')$	[exceptional continuations]
$a \in Addr = Bind + Field + FPtr$	[addresses]
$b \in Bind = Var \times Contour$	[bindings]
$field \in Field = Loc \times String$	[object fields]
$fp \in FPtr = Contour$	[frame pointers]
$cn \in Contour$ is an infinite set of contours	
$loc \in Loc$ is an infinite set of locations	

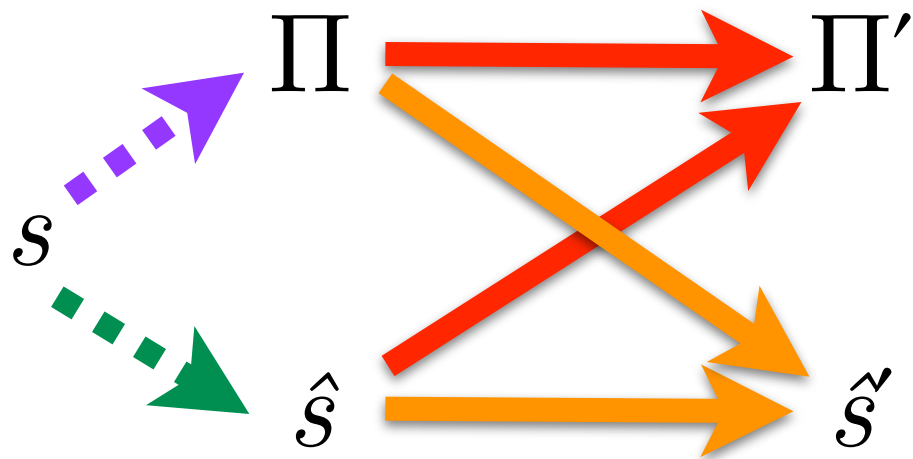
Bonus: Compositionality

Direct products

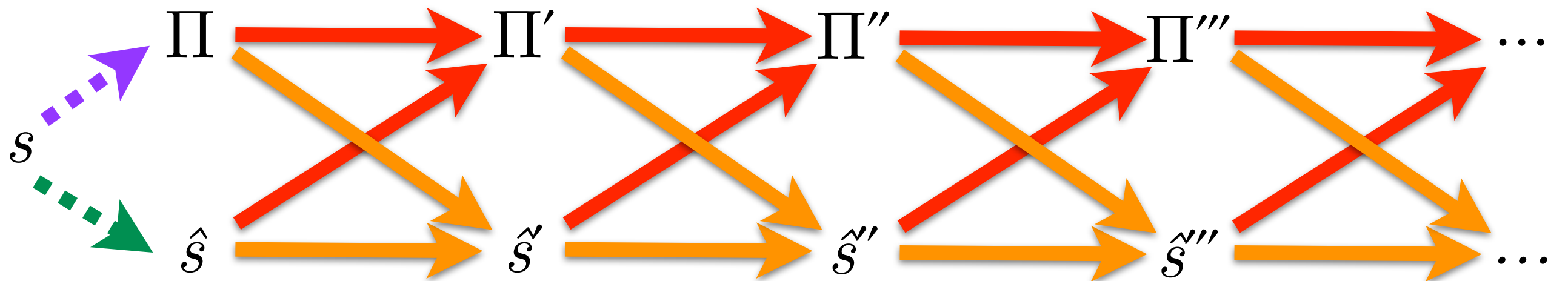
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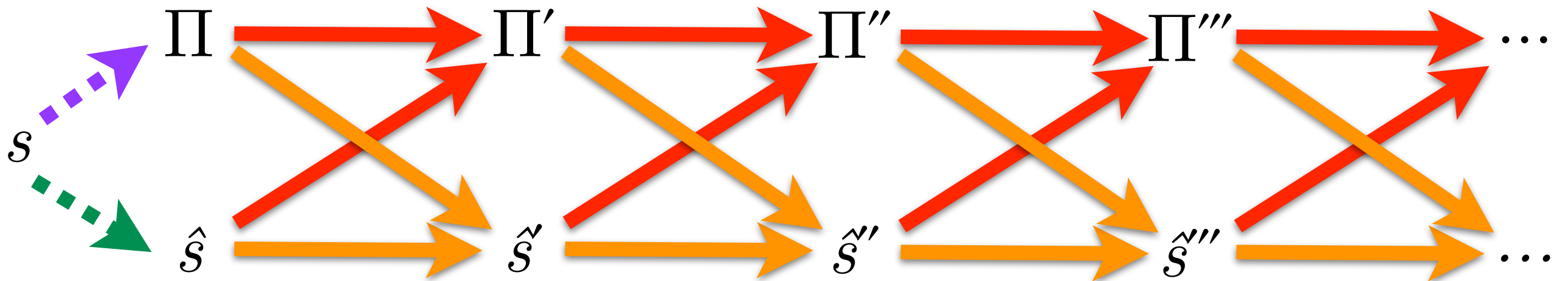
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Application: Array-bounds checks

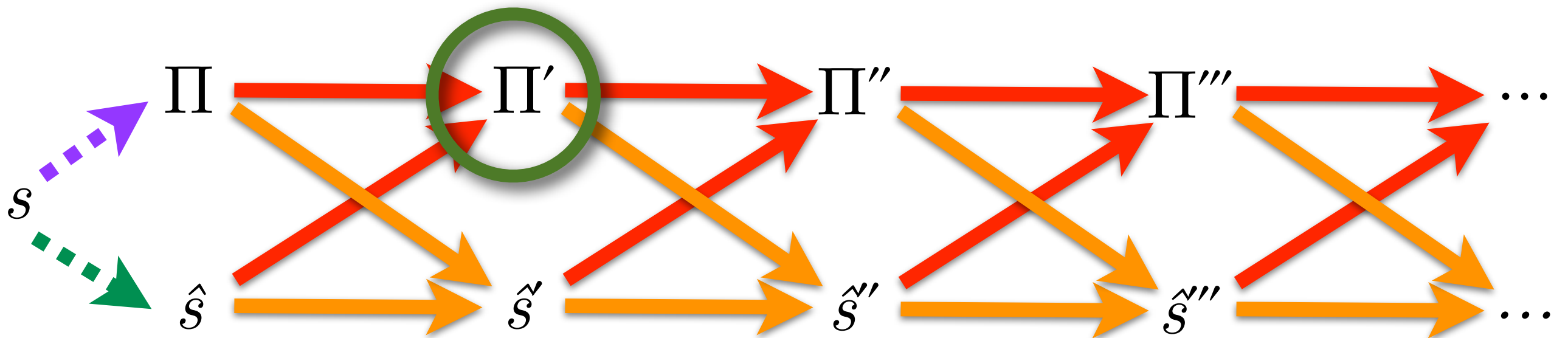
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Logic-flow analysis



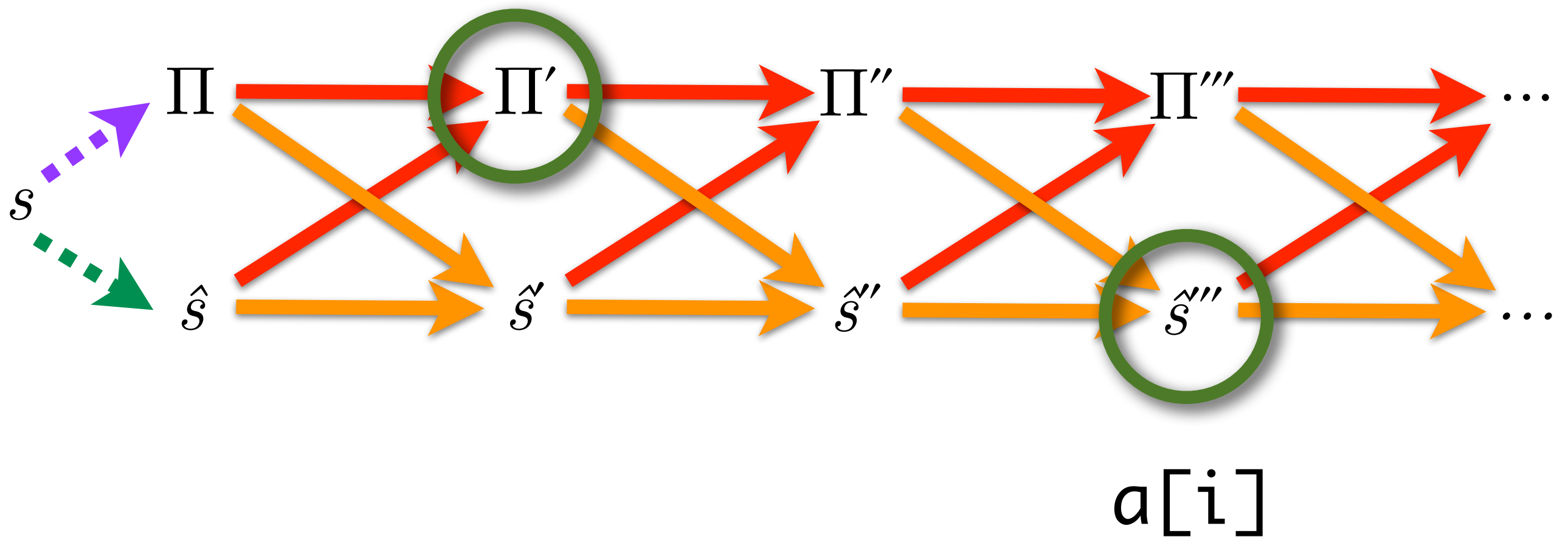
Logic-flow analysis

$i < \text{length}(a)$



Logic-flow analysis

$i < \text{length}(a)$



**What about sub-Turing
domain-specific languages?**

Regex

Yacc

Datalog

SQL

Avoid halting problem.

WARNING

RFC 2616 (HTTP 1.1)

2.1 Augmented BNF

All of the mechanisms specified in this document are described in both prose and an augmented Backus-Naur Form (BNF) similar to that used by [RFC 822](#) [9]. Implementors will need to be familiar with the notation in order to understand this specification. The augmented BNF includes the following constructs:


```
media-type = type "/" subtype *( ";" parameter )
type       = token
subtype    = token
```

```
HTTP-Version = "HTTP" "/" 1*DIGIT "." 1*DIGIT
```

```
LWS = [CRLF] 1*( SP | HT )
```

```
separators = "(" | ")" | "<" | ">" | "@"
            | "," | ";" | ":" | "\" | "<">
            | "/" | "[" | "]" | "?" | "="
            | "{" | "}" | SP | HT
```

```
http_URL = "http:" "//" host [ ":" port ] [ abs_path [ "?" query ] ]
```

```
Chunked-Body = *chunk
               last-chunk
               trailer
               CRLF

chunk         = chunk-size [ chunk-extension ] CRLF
               chunk-data CRLF

chunk-size    = 1*HEX
last-chunk    = 1*("0") [ chunk-extension ] CRLF

chunk-extension= *( ";" chunk-ext-name [ "=" chunk-ext-val ] )
chunk-ext-name = token
chunk-ext-val  = token | quoted-string
chunk-data     = chunk-size(OCTET)
trailer        = *(entity-header CRLF)
```

```
HTTP-date     = rfc1123-date | rfc850-date | asctime-date
rfc1123-date = wkday "," SP date1 SP time SP "GMT"
rfc850-date  = weekday "," SP date2 SP time SP "GMT"
asctime-date  = wkday SP date3 SP time SP 4DIGIT
date1         = 2DIGIT SP month SP 4DIGIT
               ; day month year (e.g., 02 Jun 1982)
date2         = 2DIGIT "-" month "-" 2DIGIT
               ; day-month-year (e.g., 02-Jun-82)
date3         = month SP ( 2DIGIT | ( SP 1DIGIT ) )
               ; month day (e.g., Jun 2)
time          = 2DIGIT ":" 2DIGIT ":" 2DIGIT
               ; 00:00:00 - 23:59:59
wkday         = "Mon" | "Tue" | "Wed"
               | "Thu" | "Fri" | "Sat" | "Sun"
weekday       = "Monday" | "Tuesday" | "Wednesday"
               | "Thursday" | "Friday" | "Saturday" | "Sunday"
month         = "Jan" | "Feb" | "Mar" | "Apr"
               | "May" | "Jun" | "Jul" | "Aug"
               | "Sep" | "Oct" | "Nov" | "Dec"
```

RFC 3501 (IMAPv4)

address	= "(" addr-name SP addr-adl SP addr-mailbox SP addr-host ")"	body-type-mpart	= 1*body SP media-subtype [SP body-ext-mpart]	env-to	= "(" 1*address ")" / nil	media-text	= DQUOTE "TEXT" DQUOTE SP media-subtype ; Defined in [MIME-INT]	section	= "[" [section-spec] "]"
addr-adl	= nstring ; Holds route from [RFC-2822] route-addr if ; non-NIL	body-type-msg	= media-message SP body-fields SP envelope SP body SP body-fld-lines	examine	= "EXAMINE" SP mailbox	message-data	= nz-number SP ("EXPUNGE" / ("FETCH" SP msg-att))	section-msgtext	= "HEADER" / "HEADER.FIELDS" [".NOT"] SP header-list / "TEXT" ; top-level or MESSAGE/RFC822 part
addr-host	= nstring ; NIL indicates [RFC-2822] group syntax. ; Otherwise, holds [RFC-2822] domain name	body-type-text	= media-text SP body-fields SP body-fld-lines	fetch	= "FETCH" SP sequence-set SP ("ALL" / "FULL" / "FAST" / fetch-att / "(" fetch-att *(SP fetch-att) ")")	msg-att	= "(" (msg-att-dynamic / msg-att-static) *(SP (msg-att-dynamic / msg-att-static)) ")"	section-part	= nz-number *(["." nz-number] ; body part nesting
addr-mailbox	= nstring ; NIL indicates end of [RFC-2822] group; if ; non-NIL and addr-host is NIL, holds ; [RFC-2822] group name. ; Otherwise, holds [RFC-2822] local-part ; after removing [RFC-2822] quoting	capability	= ("AUTH" auth-type) / atom ; Servers MUST implement the STARTTLS, AUTH=PLAIN, ; registered with IANA as standard or ; standards-track	fetch-att	= "ENVELOPE" / "FLAGS" / "INTERNALDATE" / "RFC822" [".HEADER" / ".SIZE" / ".TEXT"] / "BODY" ["STRUCTURE"] / "UID" / "BODY" section ["<" number "." nz-number ">"] / "BODY.PEEK" section ["<" number "." nz-number ">"]	msg-att-dynamic	= "FLAGS" SP "(" [flag-fetch *(SP flag-fetch)] ")" ; MAY change for a message	section-spec	= section-msgtext / (section-part [". section-text])
addr-name	= nstring ; If non-NIL, holds phrase from [RFC-2822] ; mailbox after removing [RFC-2822] quoting	capability-data	= "CAPABILITY" *(SP capability) SP "IMAP4rev1" *(SP capability) ; Servers MUST implement the STARTTLS, AUTH=PLAIN, ; and LOGINDISABLED capabilities ; Servers which offer RFC 1730 compatibility MUST ; list "IMAP4" as the first capability.	flag	= "Answered" / "\Flagged" / "\Deleted" / "Seen" / "\Draft" / flag-keyword / flag-extension ; Does not include "\Recent"	msg-att-static	= "ENVELOPE" SP envelope / "INTERNALDATE" SP date-time / "RFC822" [".HEADER" / ".TEXT"] SP nstring / "RFC822.SIZE" SP number / "BODY" ["STRUCTURE"] SP body / "BODY" section ["<" number ">"] SP nstring / "UID" SP uniqueid ; MUST NOT change for a message	section-text	= section-msgtext / "MIME" ; text other than actual body part (headers, etc.)
append	= "APPEND" SP mailbox [SP flag-list] [SP date-time] SP literal	CHAR8	= %x01-ff ; any OCTET except NUL, %x00	flag-extension	= "\" atom ; Future expansion. Client implementations ; MUST accept flag-extension flags. Server ; implementations MUST NOT generate ; flag-extension flags except as defined by ; future standard or standards-track ; revisions of this specification.	nil	= "NIL"	select	= "SELECT" SP mailbox
astring	= 1*ASTRING-CHAR / string	command	= tag SP (command-any / command-auth / command-noauth / command-select) CRLF ; Modal based on state	flag-fetch	= flag / "\Recent"	nstring	= string / nil	seq-number	= nz-number / "+" ; message sequence number (COPY, FETCH, STORE ; commands) or unique identifier (UID COPY, ; UID FETCH, UID STORE commands). ; ' represents the largest number in use. In ; the case of message sequence numbers, it is ; the number of messages in a non-empty mailbox. ; In the case of unique identifiers, it is the ; unique identifier of the last message in the ; mailbox or, if the mailbox is empty, the ; mailbox's current UIDNEXT value. ; The server should respond with a tagged BAD ; response to a command that uses a message ; sequence number greater than the number of ; messages in the selected mailbox. This ; includes "+" if the selected mailbox is empty.
ASTRING-CHAR	= ATOM-CHAR / resp-specials	command-any	= "CAPABILITY" / "LOGOUT" / "NOOP" / x-command ; Valid in all states	flag-keyword	= atom	number	= 1*DIGIT ; Unsigned 32-bit integer ; (0 <= n < 4,294,967,296)	seq-range	= seq-number "1:" seq-number ; two seq-number values and all values between ; these two regardless of order. ; Example: 2:4 and 4:2 are equivalent and indicate ; values 2, 3, and 4. ; Example: a unique identifier sequence range of ; 3291:* includes the UID of the last message in ; the mailbox, even if that value is less than 3291.
atom	= 1*ATOM-CHAR	command-auth	= append / create / delete / examine / list / lsub / rename / select / status / subscribe / unsubscribe ; Valid only in Authenticated or Selected state	flag-list	= "(" [flag *(SP flag)] ")"	nz-number	= digit-nz *DIGIT ; Non-zero unsigned 32-bit integer ; (0 < n < 4,294,967,296)		
ATOM-CHAR	= <any CHAR except atom-specials>	command-noauth	= login / authenticate / "STARTTLS" ; Valid only when in Not Authenticated state	flag-perm	= flag / "+"	password	= astring		
atom-specials	= "(" / ")" / "[" / "]" / SP / CTL / list-wildcards / quoted-specials / resp-specials	command-select	= "CHECK" / "CLOSE" / "EXPUNGE" / copy / fetch / store / uid / search ; Valid only when in Selected state	greeting	= "+" SP (resp-cond-auth / resp-cond-bye) CRLF	quoted	= DQUOTE *QUOTED-CHAR DQUOTE		
authenticate	= "AUTHENTICATE" SP auth-type *(CRLF base64)	continue-req	= "+" SP (resp-text / base64) CRLF	header-flid-name	= astring	QUOTED-CHAR	= <any TEXT-CHAR except quoted-specials> / "\ quoted-specials		
auth-type	= atom ; Defined by [SASL]	copy	= "COPY" SP sequence-set SP mailbox	header-list	= "(" header-flid-name *(SP header-flid-name) ")"	quoted-specials	= DQUOTE / "\"		
base64	= *(4base64-char) [base64-terminal]	create	= "CREATE" SP mailbox ; Use of INBOX gives a NO error	list	= "LIST" SP mailbox SP list-mailbox	rename	= "RENAME" SP mailbox SP mailbox ; Use of INBOX as a destination gives a NO error		
base64-char	= ALPHA / DIGIT / "+" / "/" ; Case-sensitive	date	= date-text / DQUOTE date-text DQUOTE	list-mailbox	= 1*list-char / string	response	= *(continue-req / response-data) response-done		
base64-terminal	= (2base64-char "==") / (3base64-char "=")	date-day	= 1*2DIGIT ; Day of month	list-char	= ATOM-CHAR / list-wildcards / resp-specials	response-data	= "+" SP (resp-cond-state / resp-cond-bye / mailbox-data / message-data / capability-data) CRLF		
body	= "(" (body-type-lpart / body-type-mpart) ")"	date-day-fixed	= (SP DIGIT) / 2DIGIT ; Fixed-format version of date-day	list-wildcards	= "*" / "+"	response-done	= response-tagged / response-fatal		
body-extension	= nstring / number / "(" body-extension *(SP body-extension) ")" ; Future expansion. Client implementations ; MUST accept body-extension fields. Server ; implementations MUST NOT generate ; body-extension fields except as defined by ; future standard or standards-track ; revisions of this specification.	date-month	= "Jan" / "Feb" / "Mar" / "Apr" / "May" / "Jun" / "Jul" / "Aug" / "Sep" / "Oct" / "Nov" / "Dec"	literal	= "(" number ")" CRLF *CHAR8 ; Number represents the number of CHAR8s	response-fatal	= "+" SP resp-cond-bye CRLF ; Server closes connection immediately		
body-ext-lpart	= body-flid-md5 [SP body-flid-dsp [SP body-flid-lang [SP body-flid-loc *(SP body-extension)]]] ; MUST NOT be returned on non-extensible ; "BODY" fetch	date-text	= date-day "-" date-month "-" date-year	login	= "LOGIN" SP userid SP password	response-tagged	= tag SP resp-cond-state CRLF		
body-ext-mpart	= body-flid-param [SP body-flid-dsp [SP body-flid-lang [SP body-flid-loc *(SP body-extension)]]] ; MUST NOT be returned on non-extensible ; "BODY" fetch	date-year	= 4DIGIT	lsub	= "LSUB" SP mailbox SP list-mailbox	resp-cond-auth	= ("OK" / "PREAUTH") SP resp-text ; Authentication condition		
body-fields	= body-flid-param SP body-flid-id SP body-flid-desc SP body-flid-enc SP body-flid-octets	date-time	= DQUOTE date-day-fixed "-" date-month "-" date-year SP time SP zone DQUOTE	mailbox	= "INBOX" / astring ; INBOX is case-insensitive. All case variants of ; INBOX (e.g., "inbox") MUST be interpreted as INBOX ; not as an astring. An astring which consists of ; the case-insensitive sequence "I" "N" "B" "O" "X" ; is considered to be INBOX and not an astring. ; Refer to section 5.1 for further ; semantic details of mailbox names.	resp-cond-bye	= "BYE" SP resp-text		
body-flid-desc	= nstring	delete	= "DELETE" SP mailbox ; Use of INBOX gives a NO error	mailbox-data	= "FLAGS" SP flag-list / "LIST" SP mailbox-list / "LSUB" SP mailbox-list / "SEARCH" *(SP nz-number) / "STATUS" SP mailbox SP "(" [status-att-list] ")" / number SP "EXISTS" / number SP "RECENT"	resp-cond-state	= ("OK" / "NO" / "BAD") SP resp-text ; Status condition		
body-flid-dsp	= "(" string SP body-flid-param ")" / nil	digit-nz	= %x1-39 ; 1-9	mailbox-list	= "(" [mbx-list-flags] ")" SP (DQUOTE QUOTED-CHAR DQUOTE / nil) SP mailbox	resp-specials	= "]"		
body-flid-enc	= (DQUOTE ("7BIT" / "8BIT" / "BINARY" / "BASE64" / "QUOTED-PRINTABLE") DQUOTE) / string	envelope	= "(" env-date SP env-subject SP env-from SP env-sender SP env-reply-to SP env-to SP env-cc SP env-bcc SP env-in-reply-to SP env-message-id ")"	mbx-list-flags	= *(mbx-list-oflag SP) mbx-list-sflag *(SP mbx-list-oflag) / mbx-list-oflag *(SP mbx-list-oflag)	resp-text	= "[" resp-text-code "]" SP text		
body-flid-id	= nstring	env-bcc	= "(" 1*address ")" / nil	mbx-list-oflag	= "NoInferiors" / flag-extension ; Other flags; multiple possible per LIST response	resp-text-code	= "ALERT" / "BADCHARSET" [SP "(" astring *(SP astring) ")"] / capability-data / "PARSE" / "PERMANENTFLAGS" SP "(" [flag-perm *(SP flag-perm)] ")" / "READ-ONLY" / "READ-WRITE" / "TRYCREATE" / "UIDNEXT" SP nz-number / "UIDVALIDITY" SP nz-number / "UNSEEN" SP nz-number / atom [SP 1*<any TEXT-CHAR except "]">]		
body-flid-lang	= nstring / "(" string *(SP string) ")"	env-cc	= "(" 1*address ")" / nil	mbx-list-sflag	= "Noselect" / "\Marked" / "\Unmarked" ; Selectability flags; only one per LIST response	search	= "SEARCH" [SP "CHARSET" SP astring] 1*(SP search-key) ; CHARSET argument to MUST be registered with IANA		
body-flid-loc	= nstring	env-date	= nstring	media-basic	= ((DQUOTE ("APPLICATION" / "AUDIO" / "IMAGE" / "MESSAGE" / "VIDEO") DQUOTE) / string) SP media-subtype ; Defined in [MIME-INT]	search-key	= "ALL" / "ANSWERED" / "BCC" SP astring / "BEFORE" SP date / "BODY" SP astring / "CC" SP astring / "DELETED" / "FLAGGED" / "FROM" SP astring / "KEYWORD" SP flag-keyword / "NEW" / "OLD" / "ON" SP date / "RECENT" / "SEEN" / "SINCE" SP date / "SUBJECT" SP astring / "TEXT" SP astring / "TO" SP astring / "UNANSWERED" / "UNDELETED" / "UNFLAGGED" / "UNKEYWORD" SP flag-keyword / "UNSEEN" / ; Above this line were in [IMAP2] "DRAFT" / "HEADER" SP header-flid-name SP astring / "LARGER" SP number / "NOT" SP search-key / "OR" SP search-key SP search-key / "SENTBEFORE" SP date / "SENTON" SP date / "SENTSINCE" SP date / "SMALLER" SP number / "UID" SP sequence-set / "UNDRIFT" / sequence-set / "(" search-key *(SP search-key) ")"		
body-flid-lines	= number	env-from	= "(" 1*address ")" / nil	media-message	= DQUOTE "MESSAGE" DQUOTE SP DQUOTE "RFC822" DQUOTE ; Defined in [MIME-INT]				
body-flid-md5	= nstring	env-in-reply-to	= nstring	media-subtype	= string ; Defined in [MIME-INT]				
body-flid-octets	= number	env-message-id	= nstring						
body-flid-param	= "(" string SP string *(SP string SP string) ")" / nil	env-reply-to	= "(" 1*address ")" / nil						
body-type-lpart	= (body-type-basic / body-type-msg / body-type-text) [SP body-ext-lpart]	env-sender	= "(" 1*address ")" / nil						
body-type-basic	= media-basic SP body-fields ; MESSAGE subtype MUST NOT be "RFC822"	env-subject	= nstring						

RFC 2812 (IRC)

The Augmented BNF representation for this is:

```
message      = [ ":" prefix SPACE ] command [ params ] crlf
prefix       = servername / ( nickname [ [ "!" user ] "@" host ] )
command      = 1*letter / 3digit
params       = *14( SPACE middle ) [ SPACE ":" trailing ]
              =/ 14( SPACE middle ) [ SPACE [ ":" ] trailing ]

nospcrlfcl   = %x01-09 / %x0B-0C / %x0E-1F / %x21-39 / %x3B-FF
              ; any octet except NUL, CR, LF, " " and ":"
middle       = nospcrlfcl *( ":" / nospcrlfcl )
trailing     = *( ":" / " " / nospcrlfcl )

SPACE        = %x20          ; space character
crlf         = %x0D %x0A     ; "carriage return" "linefeed"

target       = nickname / server
msgtarget    = msgto *( "," msgto )
msgto        = channel / ( user [ "%" host ] "@" servername )
msgto        =/ ( user "%" host ) / targetmask
msgto        =/ nickname / ( nickname "!" user "@" host )
channel      = ( "#" / "+" / ( "!" channelid ) / "&" ) chanstring
              [ ":" chanstring ]
servername   = hostname
host         = hostname / hostaddr
hostname     = shortname *( "." shortname )
shortname    = ( letter / digit ) *( letter / digit / "-" )
              *( letter / digit )
              ; as specified in RFC 1123 [HNAME]
hostaddr     = ip4addr / ip6addr
ip4addr      = 1*3digit "." 1*3digit "." 1*3digit "." 1*3digit
ip6addr      = 1*hexdigit 7( ":" 1*hexdigit )
ip6addr      =/ "0:0:0:0:0:" ( "0" / "FFFF" ) ":" ip4addr
nickname     = ( letter / special ) *8( letter / digit / special / "-" )
targetmask   = ( "$" / "#" ) mask
              ; see details on allowed masks in section 3.3.1
chanstring   = %x01-07 / %x08-09 / %x0B-0C / %x0E-1F / %x21-2B
chanstring   =/ %x2D-39 / %x3B-FF
              ; any octet except NUL, BELL, CR, LF, " ", ",", and ":"
channelid    = 5( %x41-5A / digit ) ; 5( A-Z / 0-9 )

user         = 1*( %x01-09 / %x0B-0C / %x0E-1F / %x21-3F / %x41-FF )
              ; any octet except NUL, CR, LF, " " and "@"
key          = 1*23( %x01-05 / %x07-08 / %x0C / %x0E-1F / %x21-7F )
              ; any 7-bit US_ASCII character,
              ; except NUL, CR, LF, FF, h/v TABs, and " "
letter       = %x41-5A / %x61-7A      ; A-Z / a-z
digit        = %x30-39                ; 0-9
hexdigit     = digit / "A" / "B" / "C" / "D" / "E" / "F"
special      = %x5B-60 / %x7B-7D
              ; "[", "]", "\", "`", "_", "^", "{", "|", "}"
```

Efficient parsing techniques exist.

LALR(k)

Earley

LL(k)

Operator

GLR

precedence

SLR

CYK

LR(k)

Combinators

PEG

packrat

Parsing tools abound.

Yacc

Parsec

ANTLR

NLTK

Happy

Flex

Bison

CUPS

Ragel

PLY

State of the art?

*buf++

Apache

2,179 lines of C

lighttpd

1,211 lines of C

freenode IRCD

> 2000 lines of C

Courier IMAP

2,633 lines of C

Result?

CVE-ID

CVE-2004-0786

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Description: IRCnet IRCD Buffer Overflow

The I (child)

mod_access.c in lighttpd 1.4.2

IRC buffer o (IRC_Daemo

About this sig

CVSS Sc

Apache 1.3.37 h

From: "Matias Soler" <g

Date: Tue, 2 Jan 2007 17

Synopsis: Apache 1.3

Version: 1.3.37 (lat

Product

Apache httpasswd util:

Issue

A buffer overflow vilnerability has been found, it is dangerous only on

environment where the binary is suid root.

Details

Incorrect validation on the size of user input allows to copy a string, via

strcpy, to a fixed size buffer.

File: httpasswd.c, Line 421.

Keywords: FixedInTrunk, PatchAvailable

Depends on:

Blocks:

Show dependency [tree](#)

Secunia ID SA9999

CVE-ID CVE-2003-0864

Release Date 16 Oct 2003

Last Change 20 Oct 2003

Criticality Not Critical

Solution Status Vendor Patch

Software IRCnet IRCD 2.x

Where Local system

Vulnerable systems:

* mIRC version 6.1 and prior

Immune systems:

* mIRC version 6.11

When mIRC is installed, it registers its own handler for URL of the type "irc". Calling "irc://irc.hackme.com" from our web browser causes mirc irc.hackme.com server. By inputting an overly long string to the "irc" protocol instruction pointer, thus controls the program's execution.

Example:

irc://[buffer]..... where's buffer >998 bytes

An attacker would be able to gain access to the target system if he was able Hence, he can have his code executed under the current user's privilege.

be modified,

e.)

Mar 11 2004 12:00AM

Jul 12 2009 03:06AM

These issues were disclosed by the vendor.

Inter7 Courier-IMAP 2.2.1

Inter7 Courier-IMAP 2.2 .0

Inter7 Courier-IMAP 2.1.2

Inter7 Courier-IMAP 2.1.1

Inter7 Courier-IMAP 2.1

why!?

Yacc blocks on read().

Yacc needs continuations.

The continuation of a
parser is its derivative.

For more, google:
“Yacc is Dead”

The future is...

The future is...

...safe, correct

The future is...

...safe, correct

...domain-specific

The future is...

...safe, correct

...domain-specific

...deep analysis

Thanks!

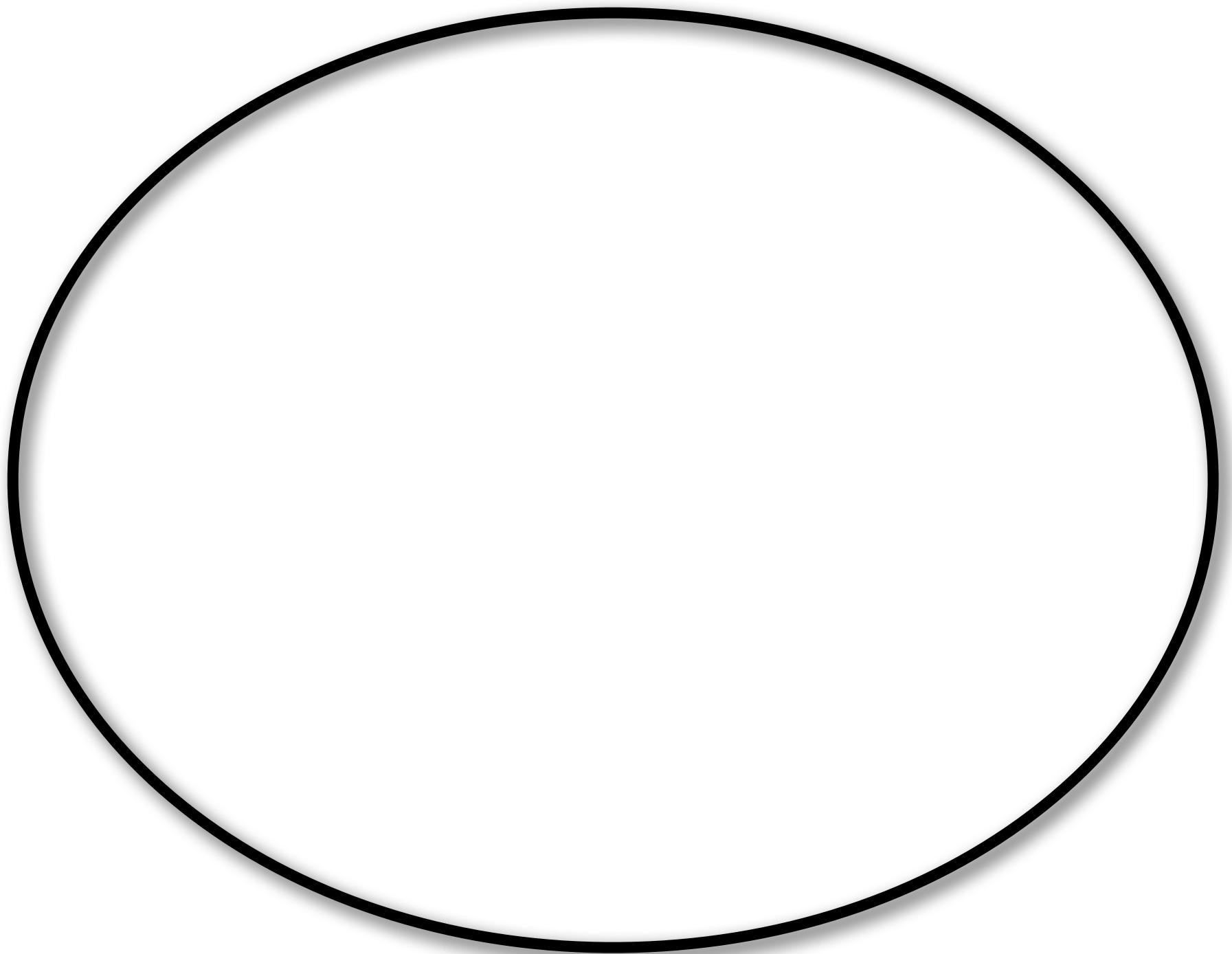
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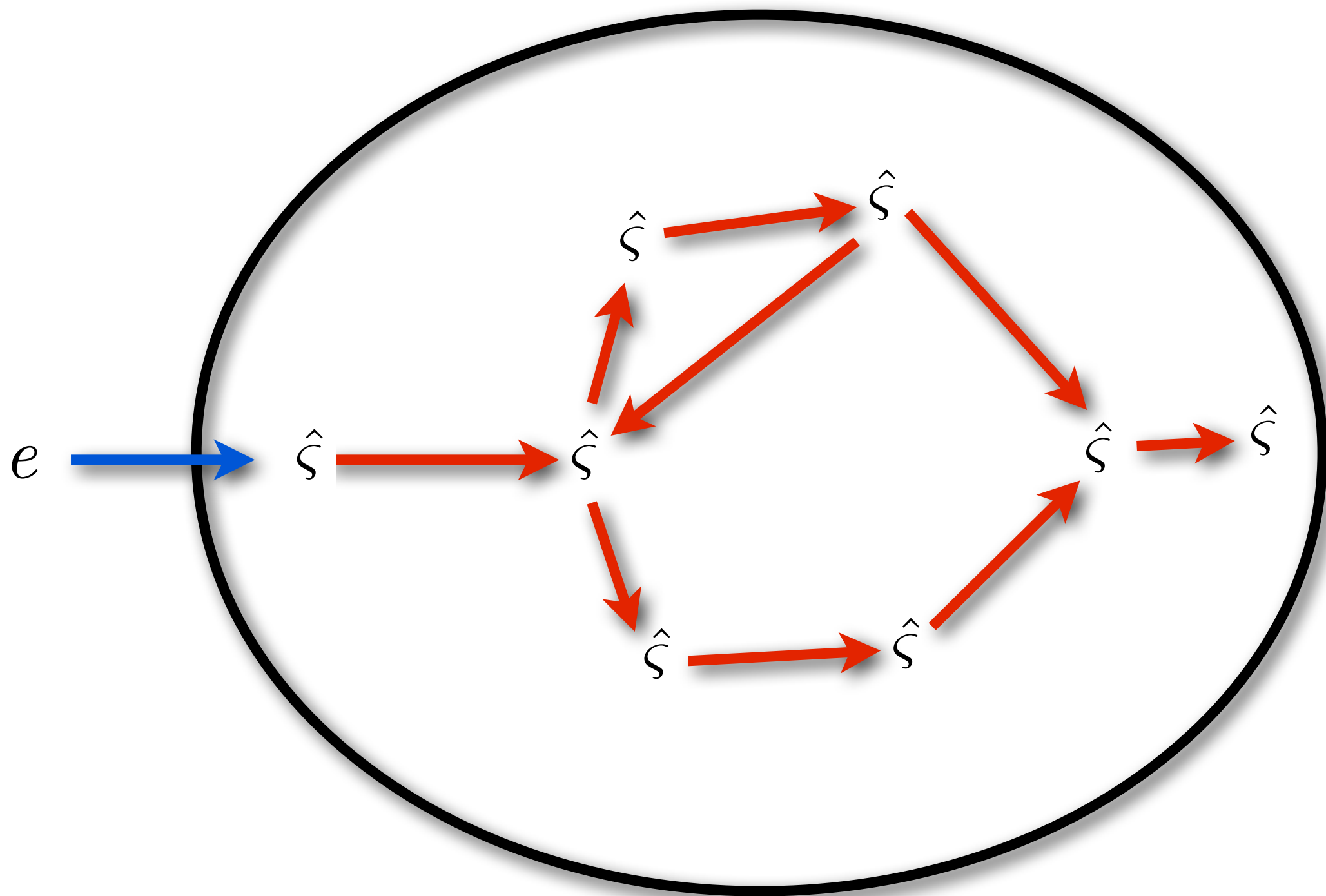
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- ICFP 2006: Abstract garbage collection
- PLDI 2006: Enabling coroutine fusion
- POPL 2007: Logic-flow analysis (for arrays)
- PLDI 2010: Featherweight Java analysis
- ICFP 2010: Deriving small-step analyzers
- SFP 2010: Pushdown small-step analysis
- POPL 2011: Small-step analysis on the GPU

Application: Dependence analysis

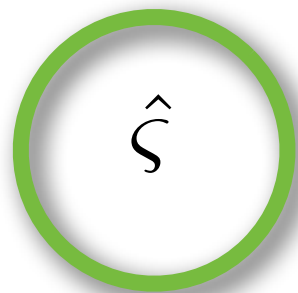
Dependence analysis



Dependence analysis

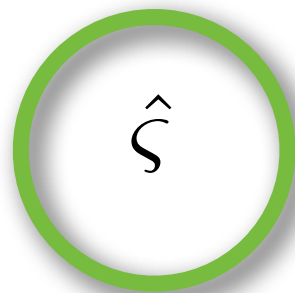


Dependence analysis



Dependence analysis

What resources are written?

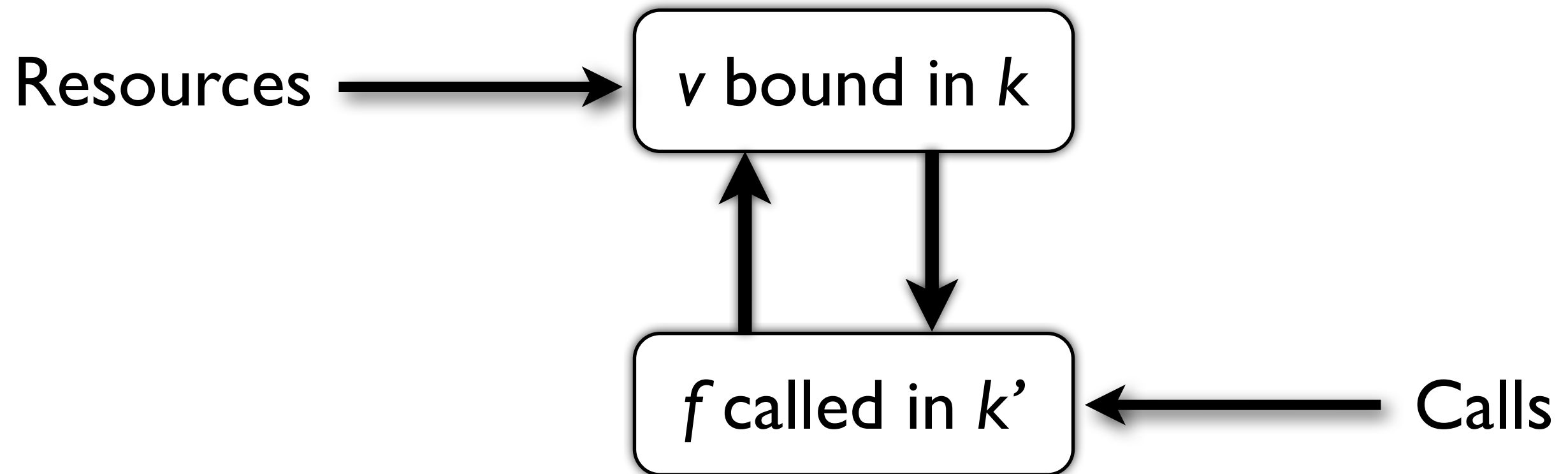


What resources are read?

Which calling contexts are live on stack?

Context-sensitive dependence graphs

Context-sensitive dependence graphs



f()

g()

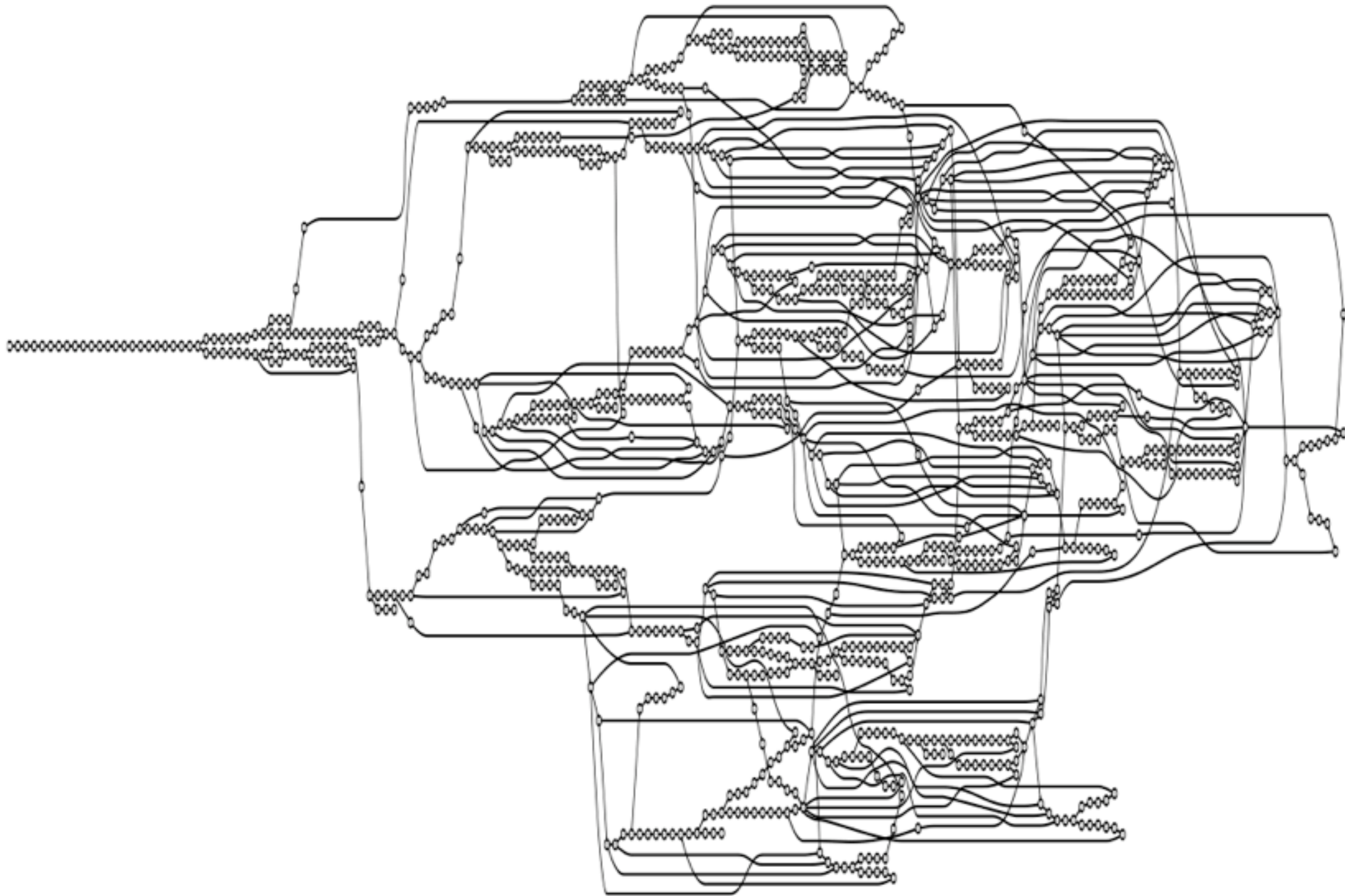
$$f() \parallel g()$$

**Advanced technique:
Abstract garbage collection**

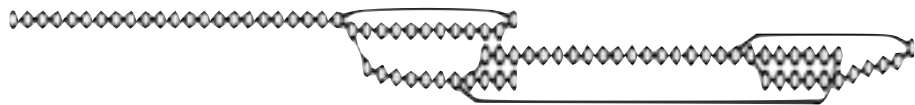
Abstract objects can die too.

Effects of abstract GC

Effects of abstract GC



Effects of abstract GC

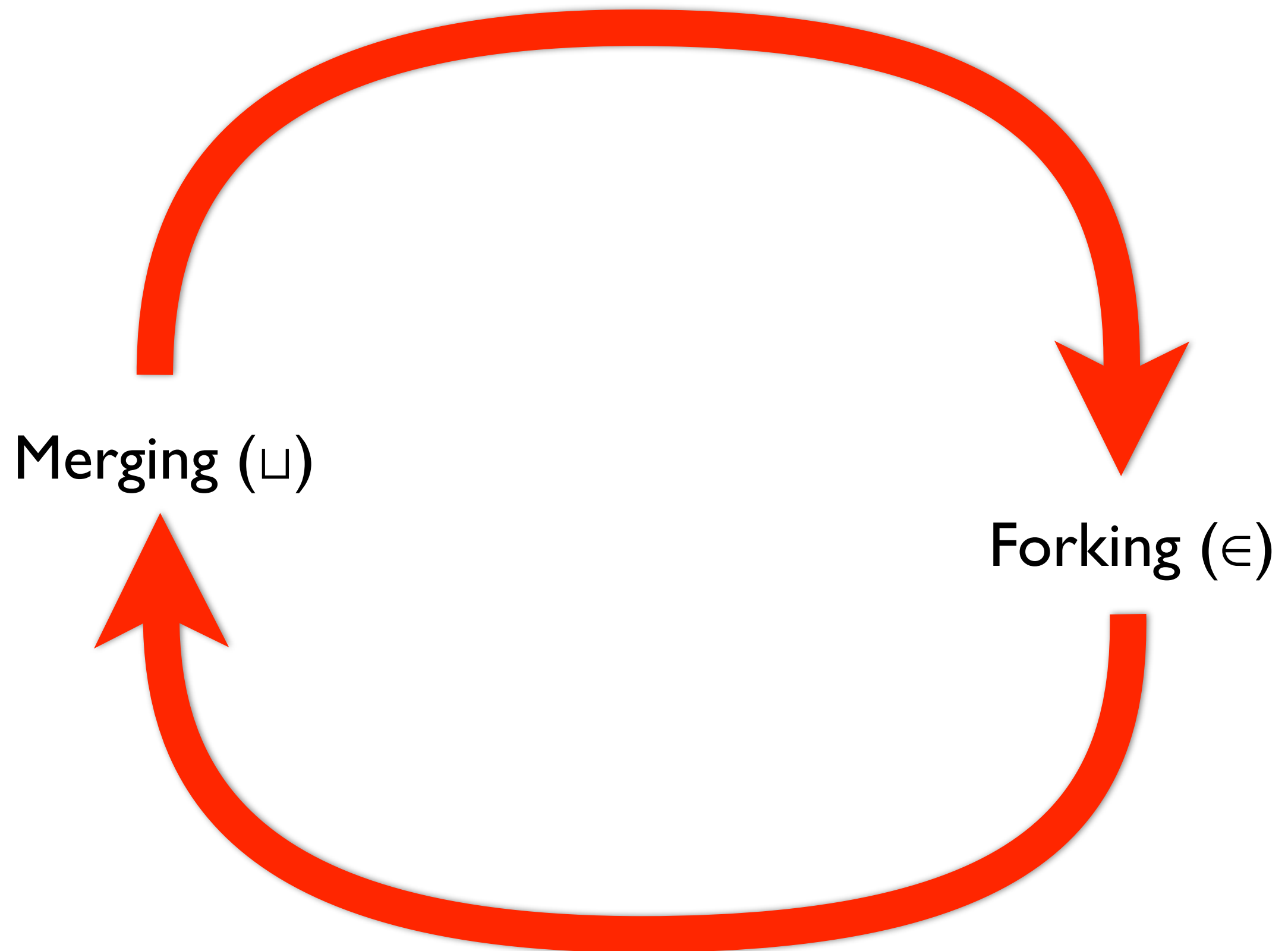


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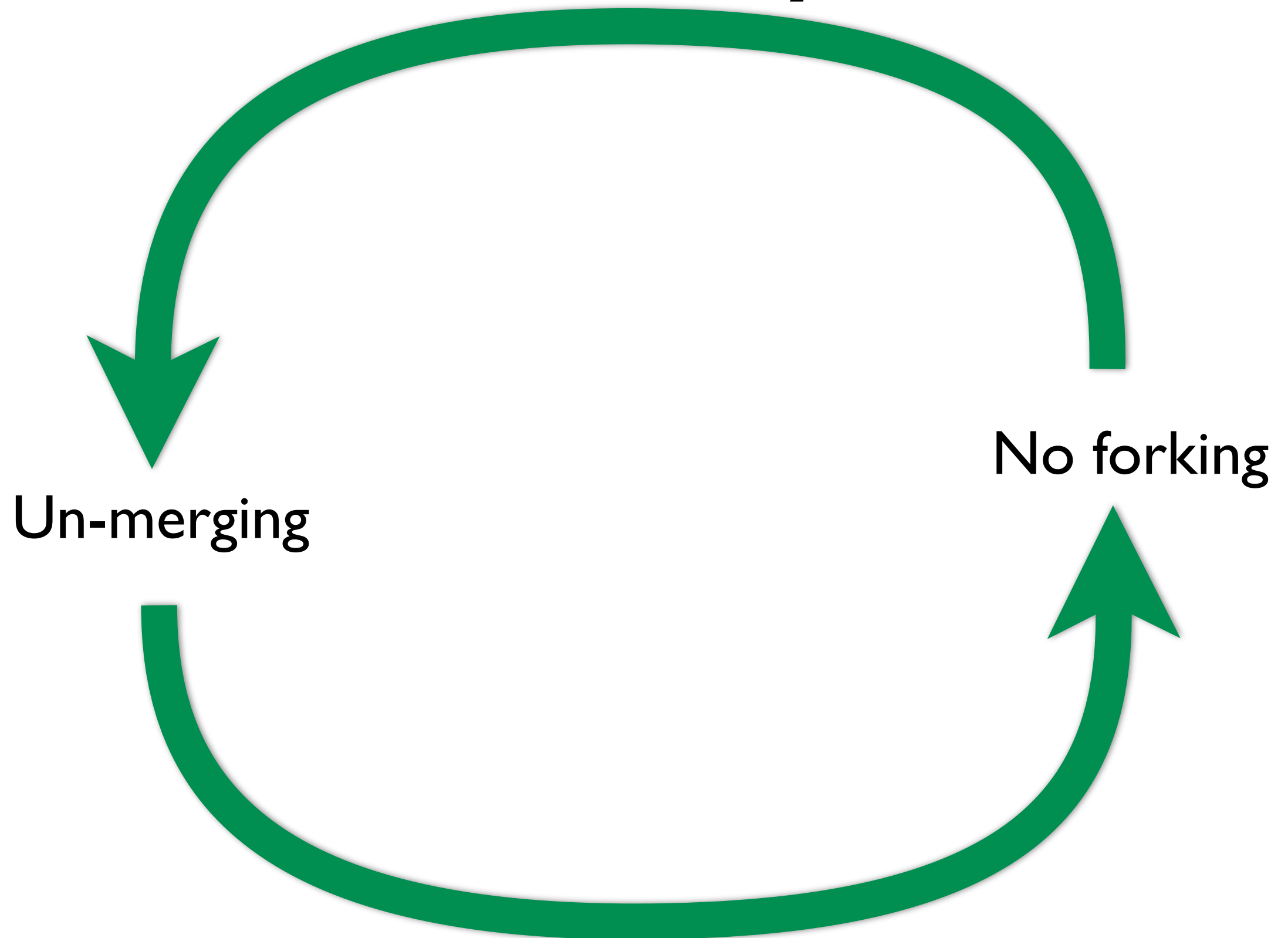
Merging (\sqcup)

Forking (\in)

Vicious cycle



Virtuous cycle



Orders of magnitude