

# Deciding Subtyping for Asynchronous Multiparty Sessions

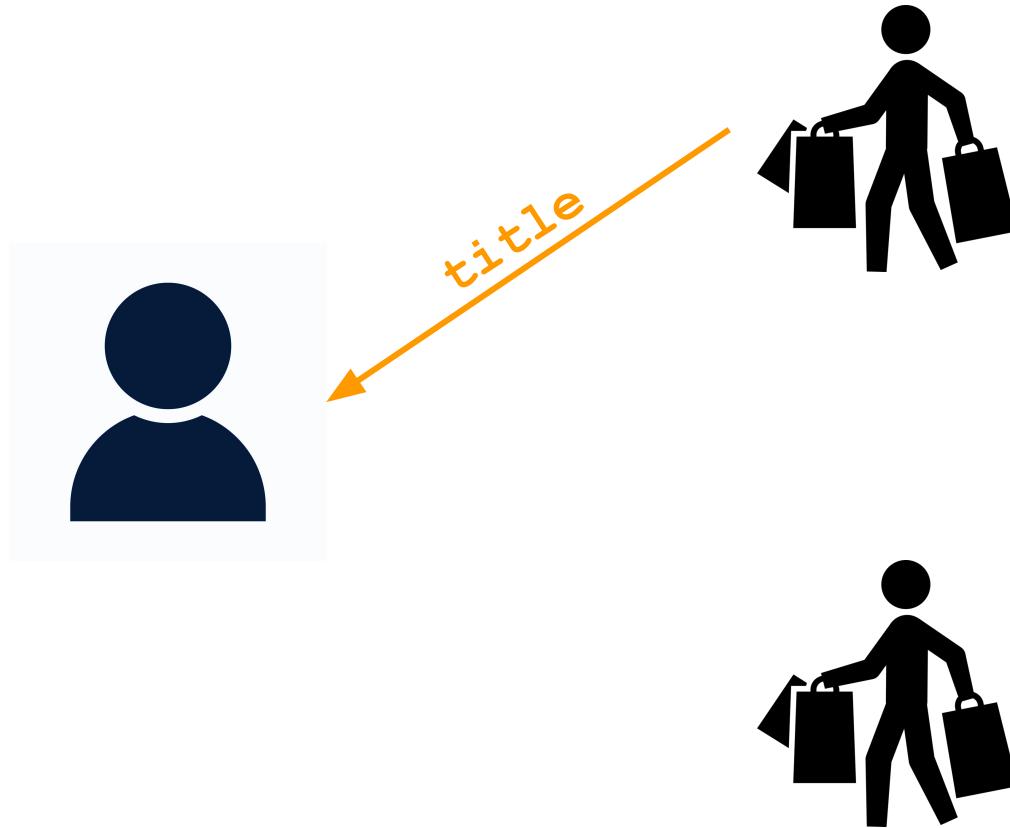
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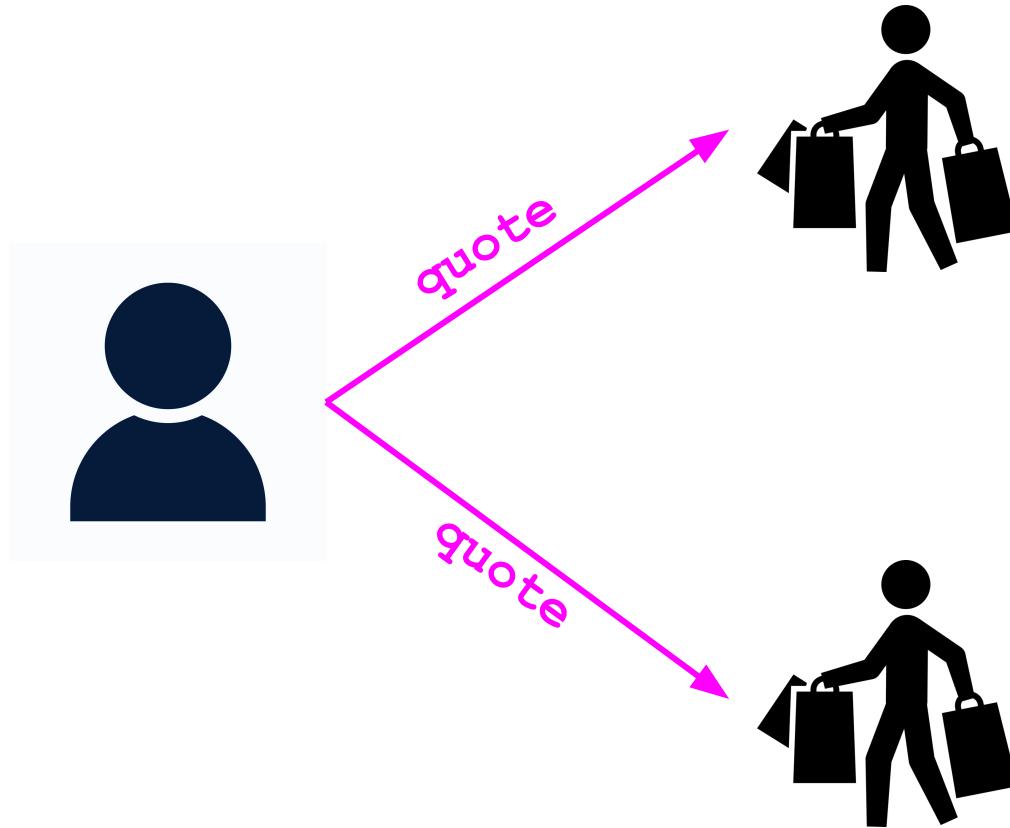
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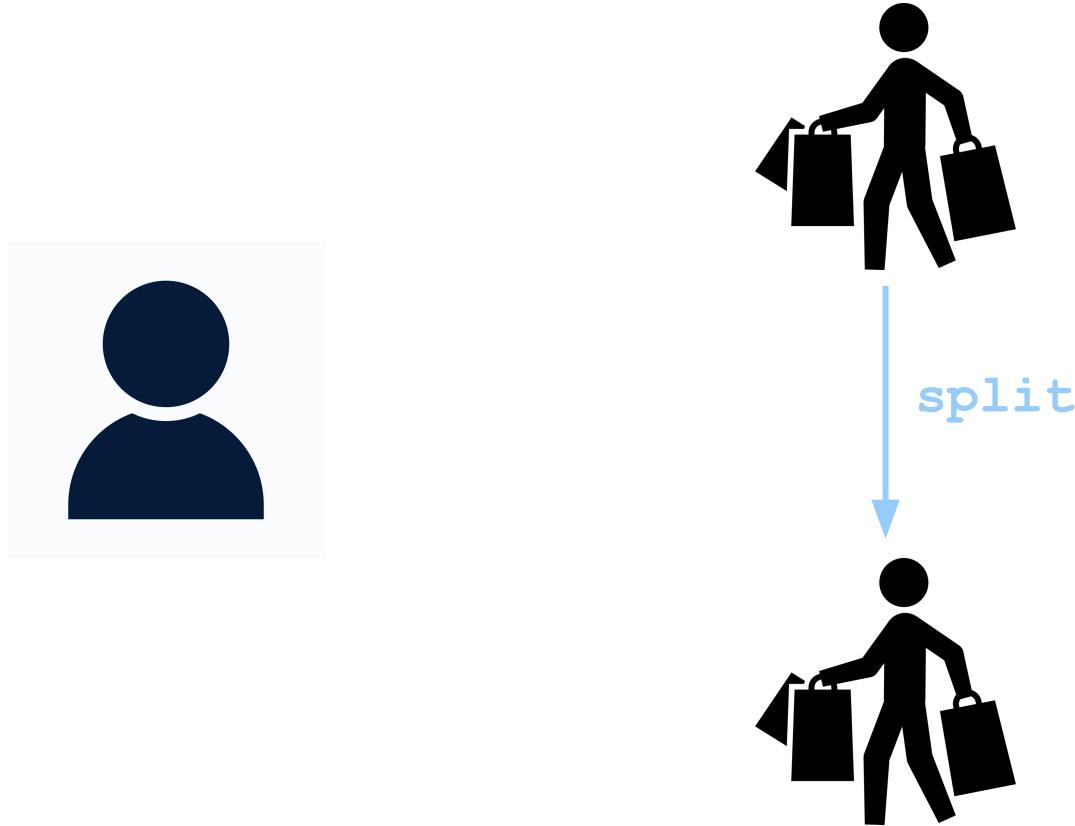
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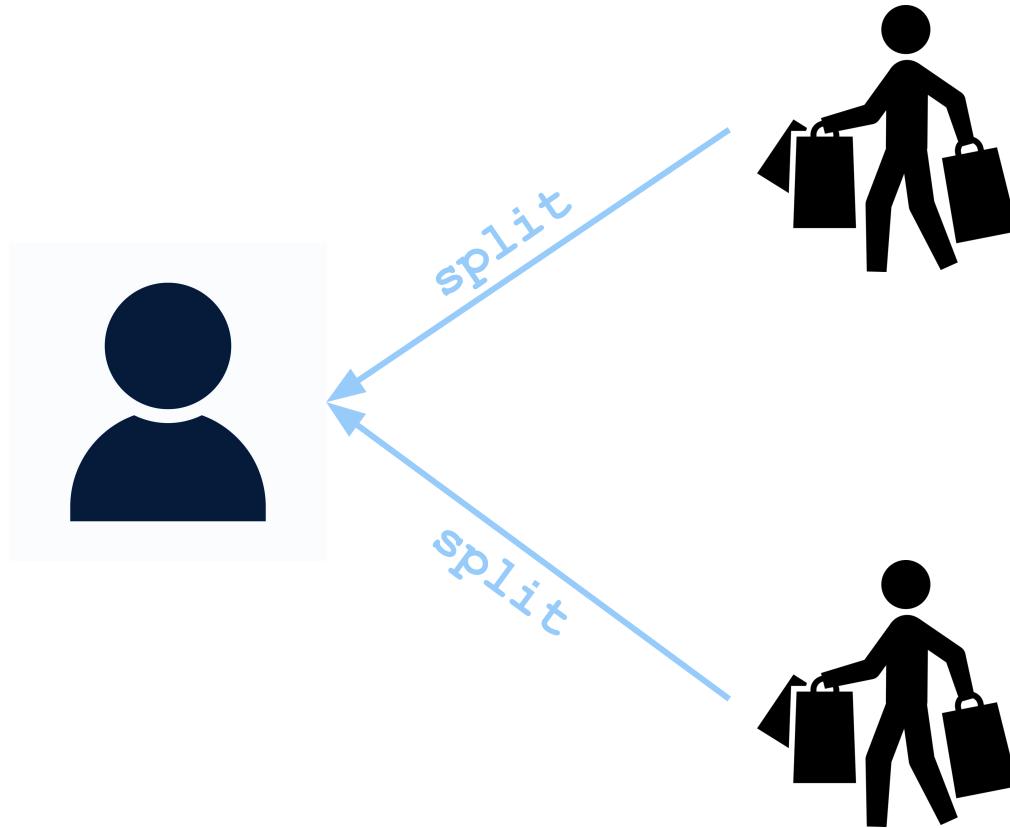
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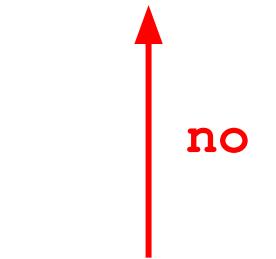
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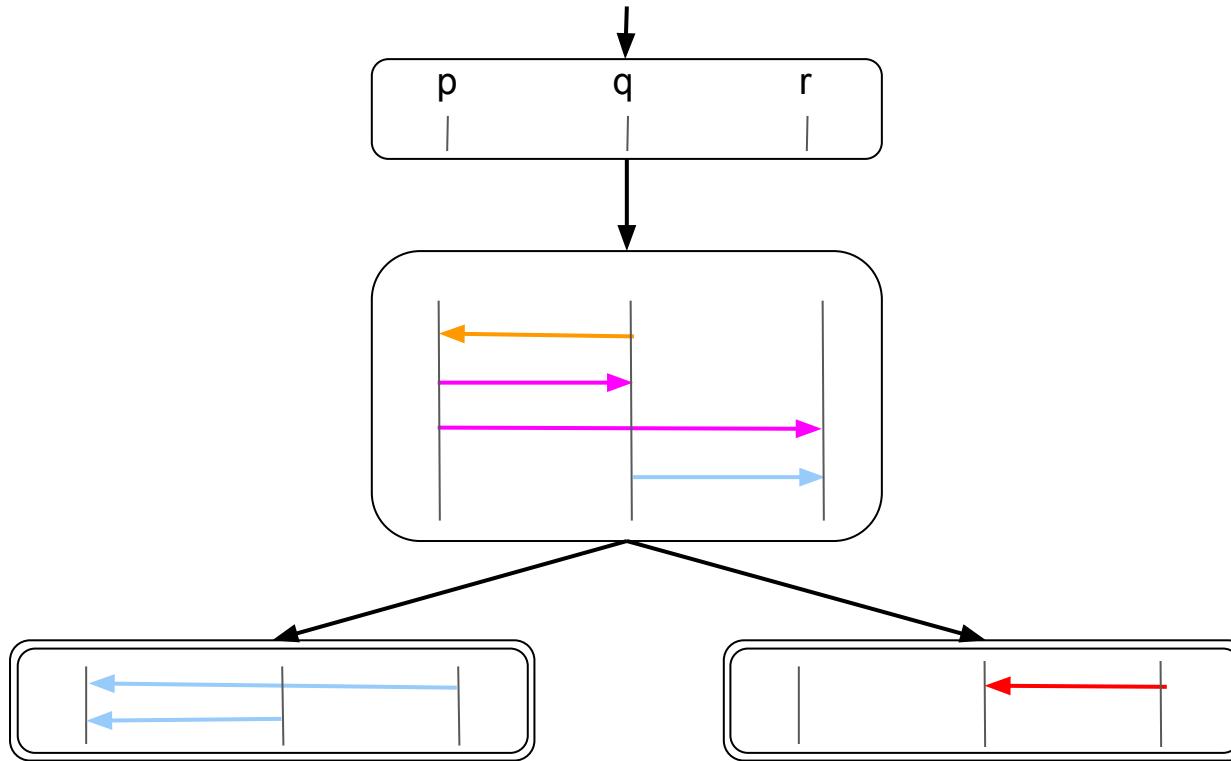
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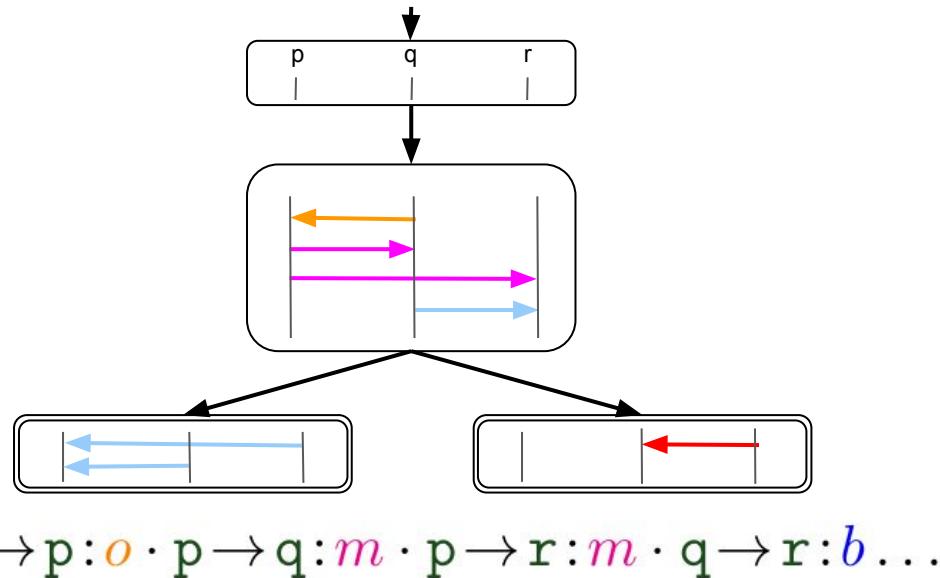
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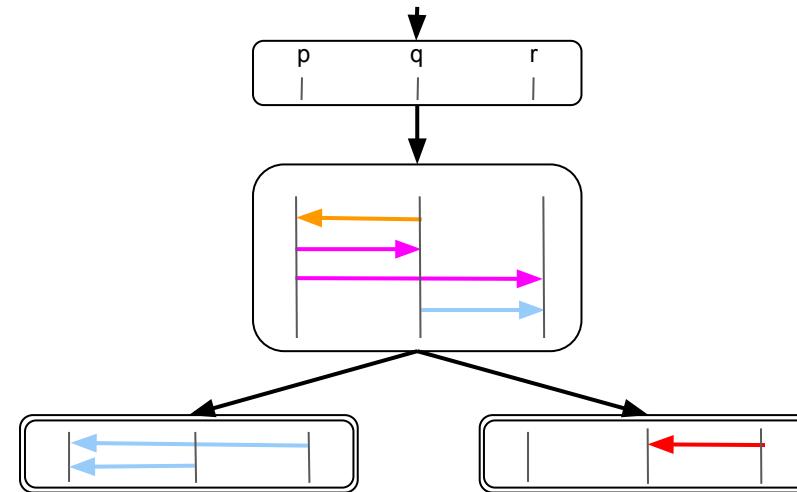


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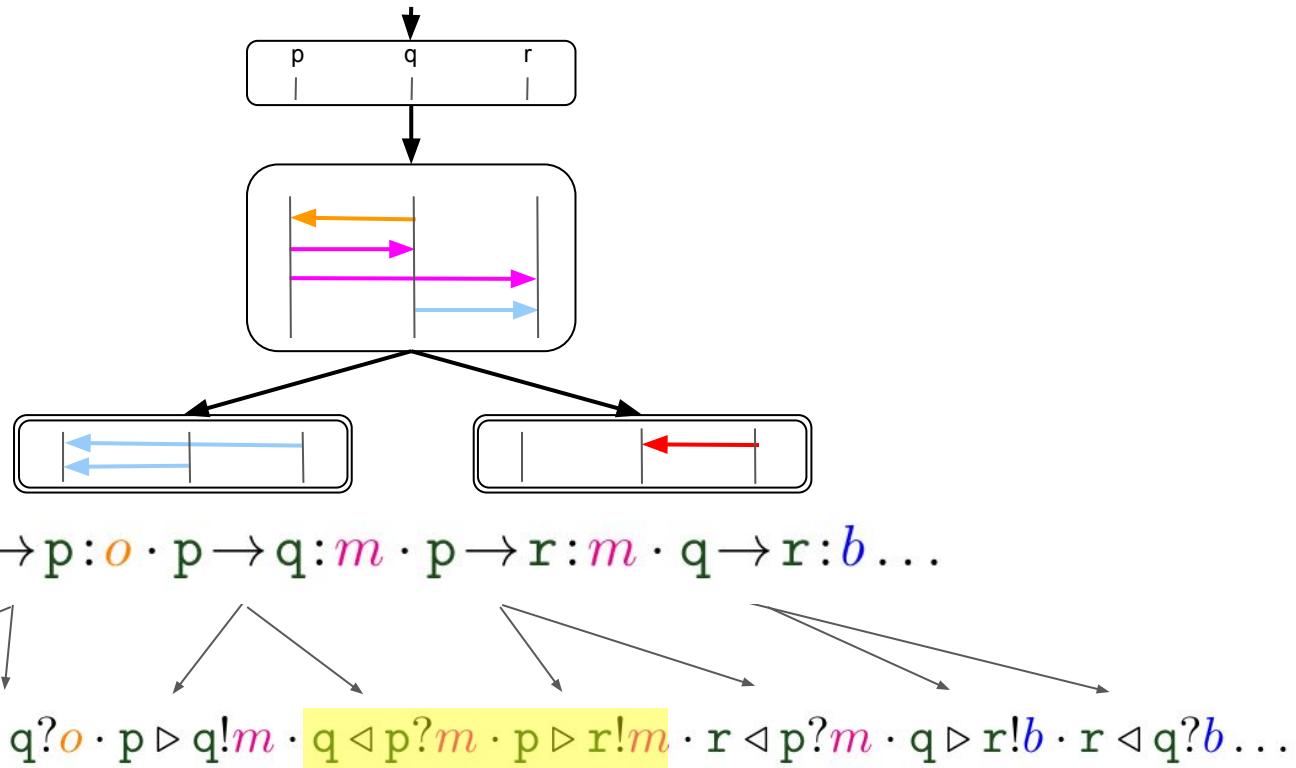
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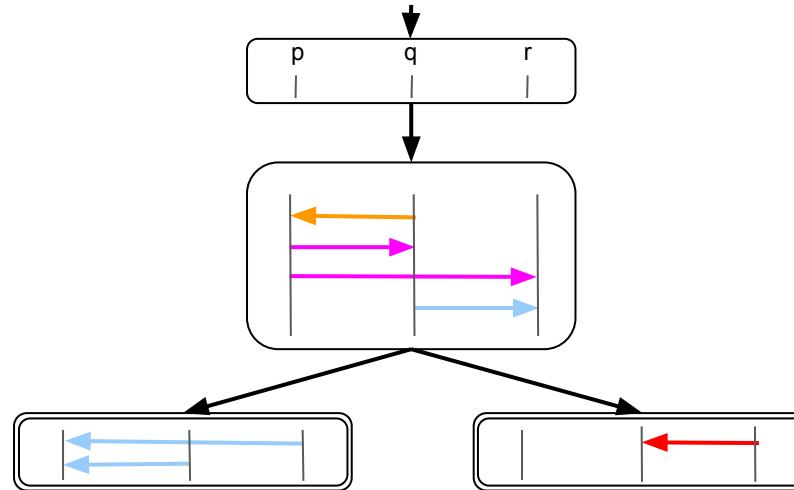
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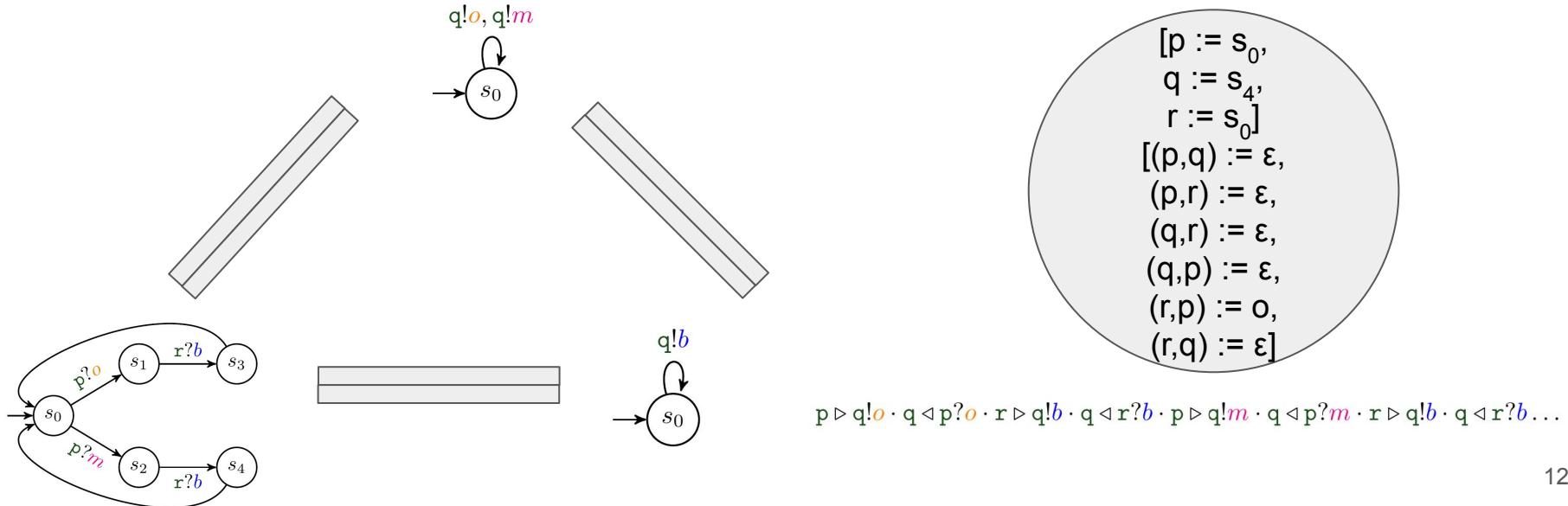
Interleaving

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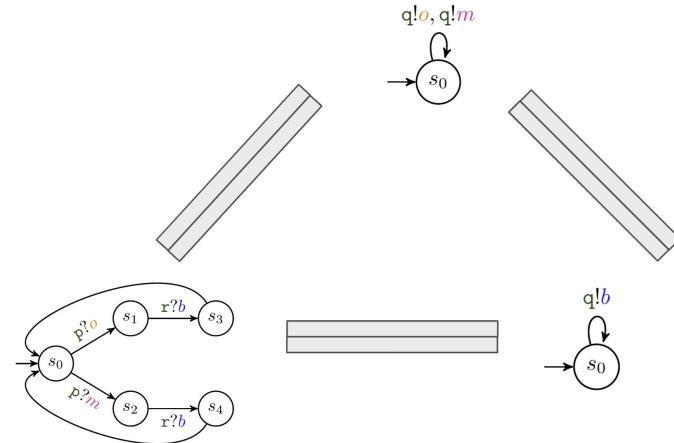
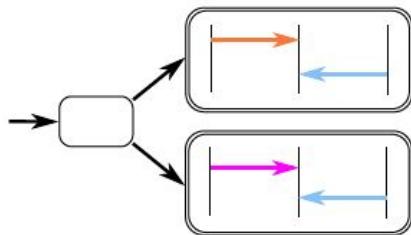
Communicating State Machines (CSM) [Brand and Zafiropulo, JACM'83]

CSM configurations  $(s, \xi)$  contain **global state** and **channel state**



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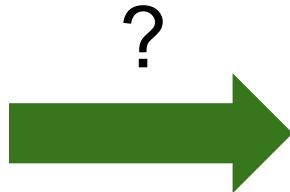
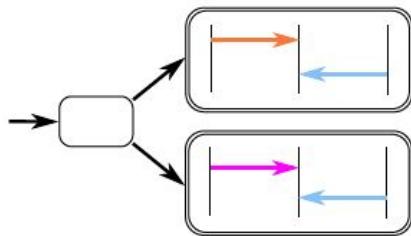
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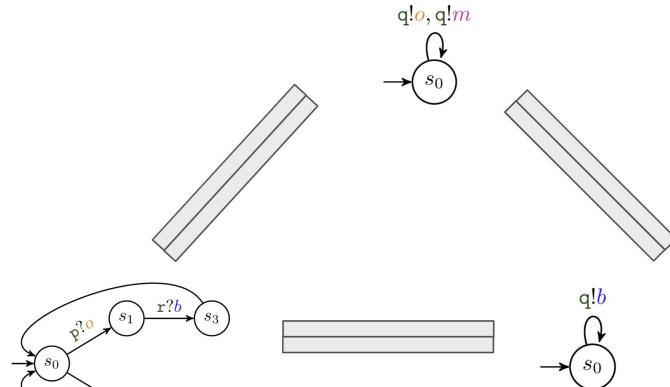
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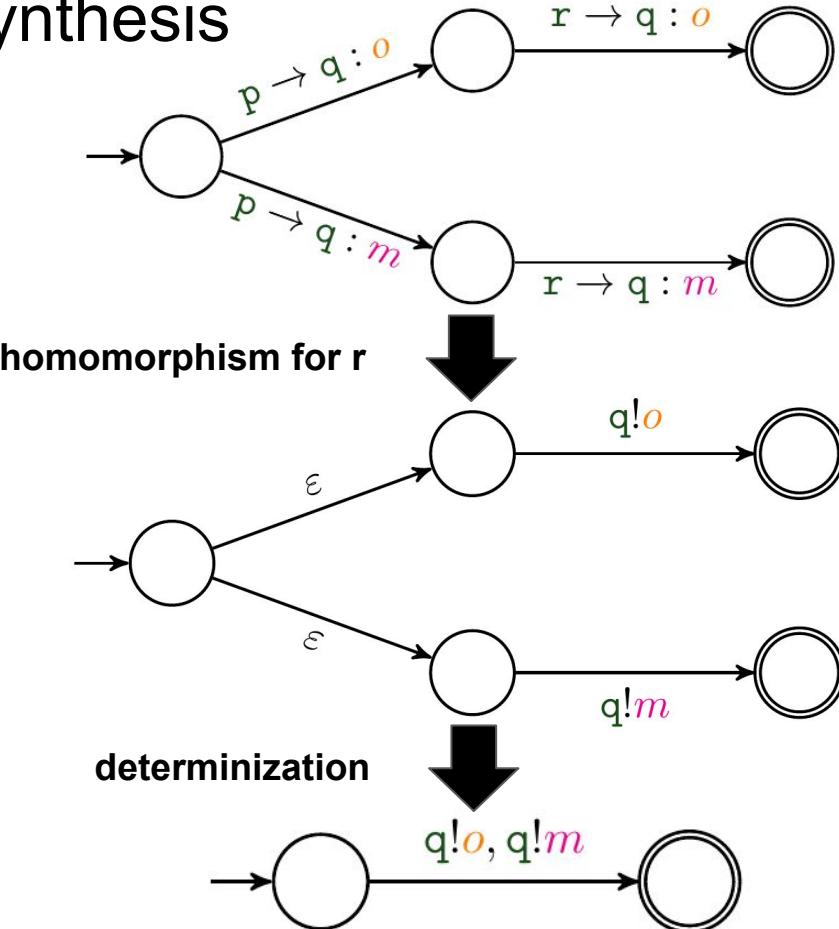


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projection operator  
[CAV'23]**



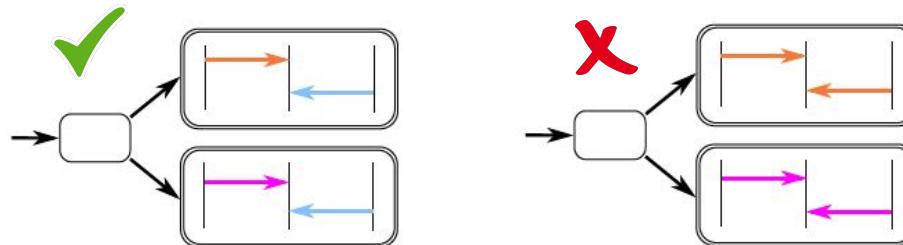
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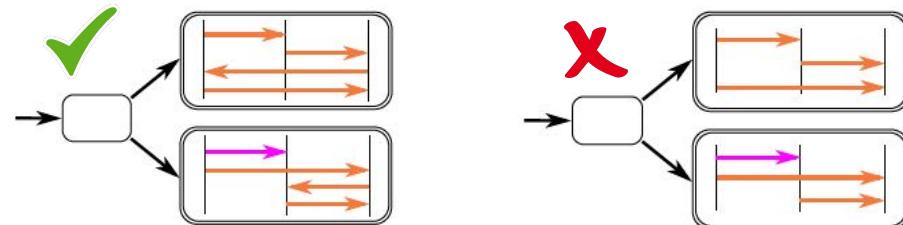


# Projection: Checking Implementability

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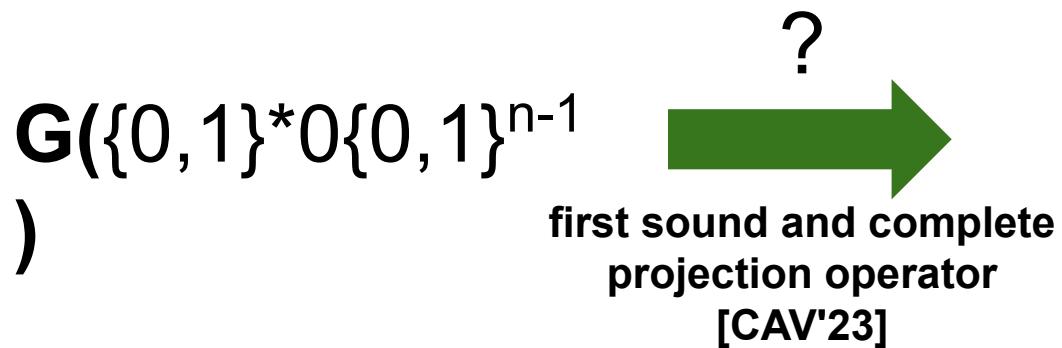


2. Receive Validity: "receive transitions uniquely identify a global state"



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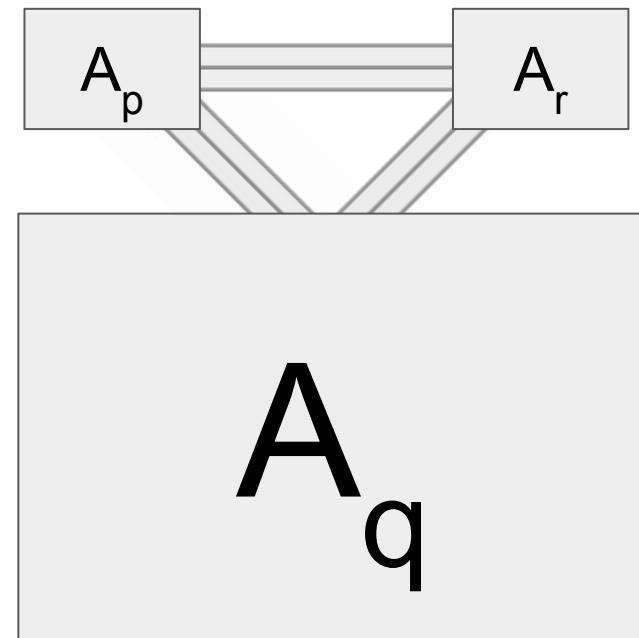
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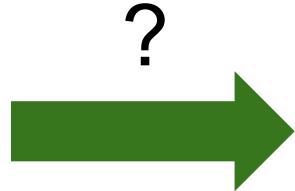
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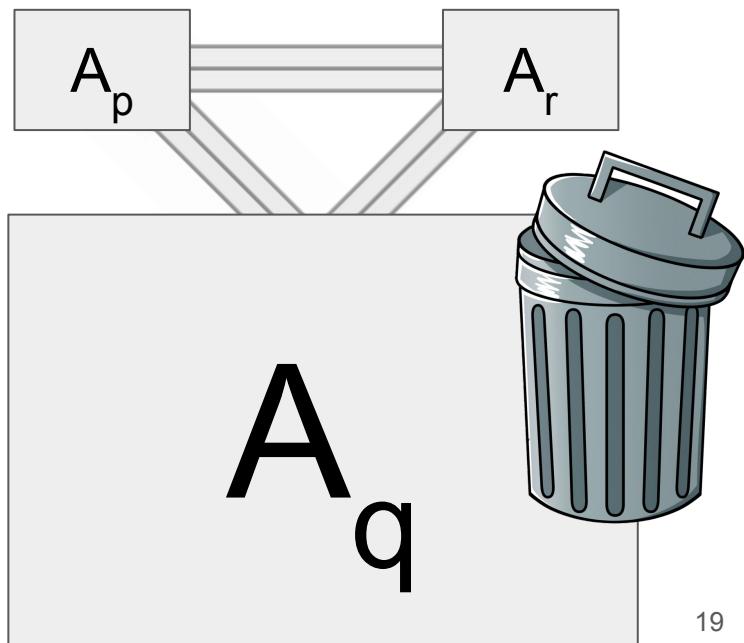
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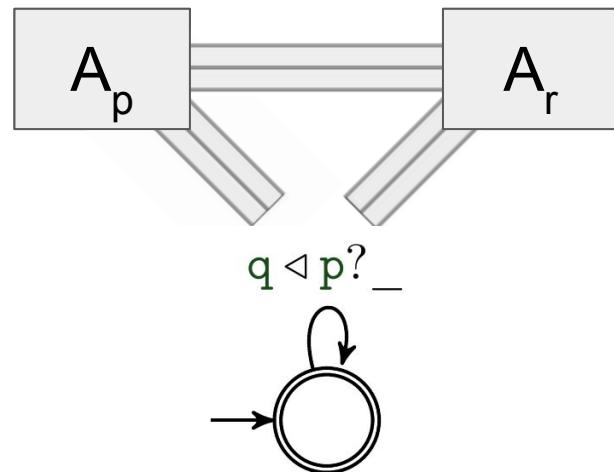
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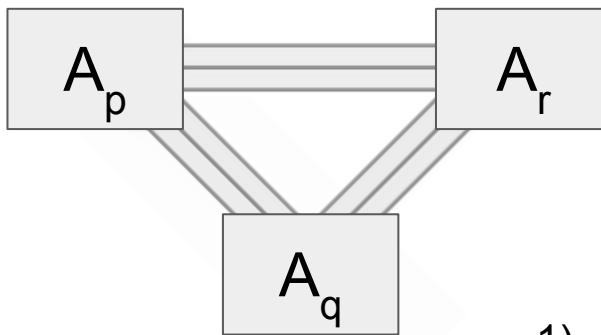
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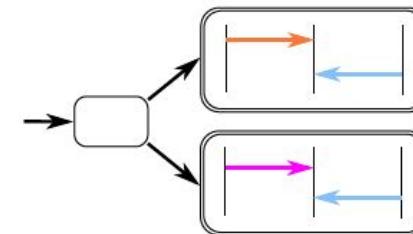


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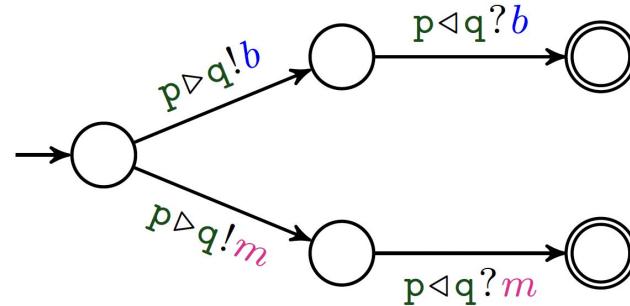


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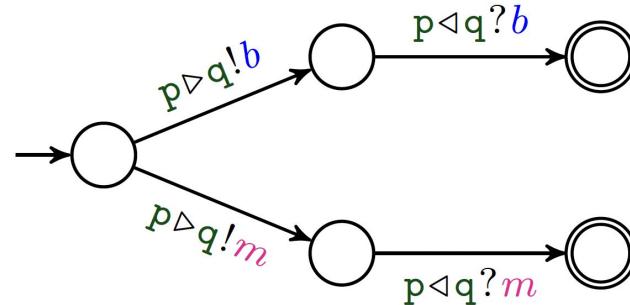


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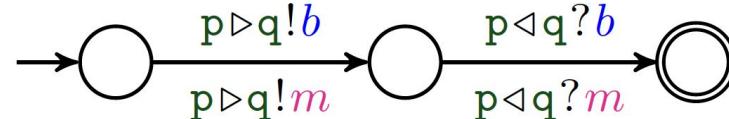
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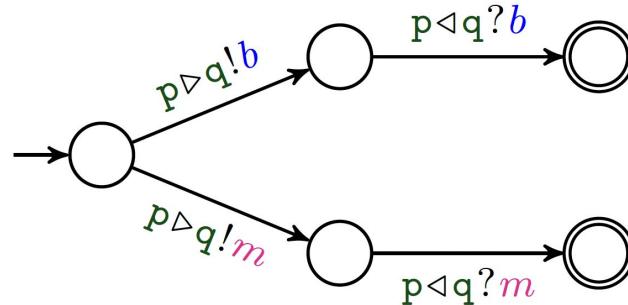
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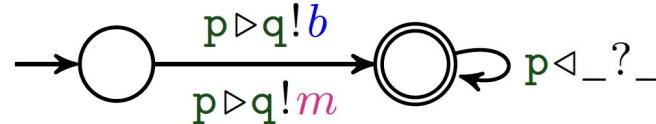
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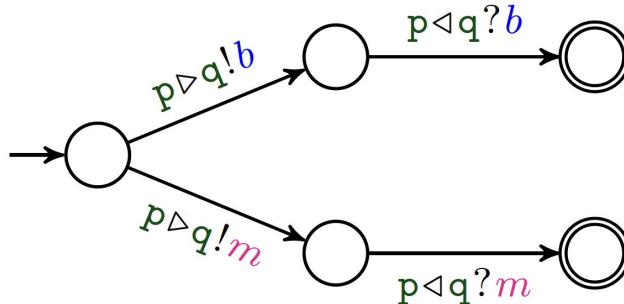


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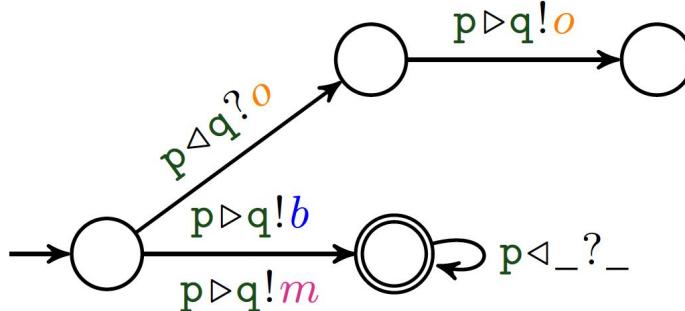


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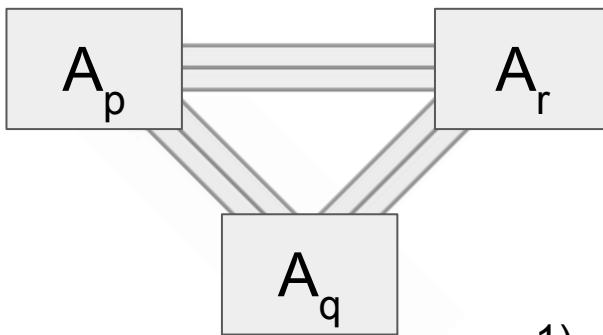
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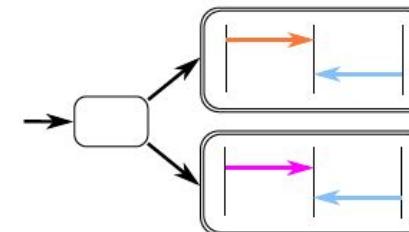
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*decidable in  
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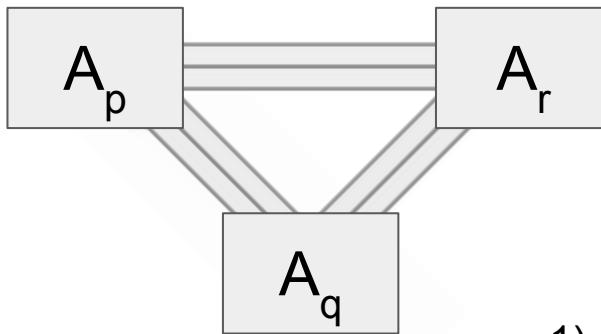
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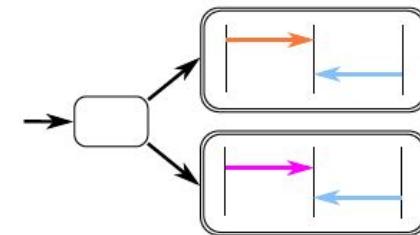
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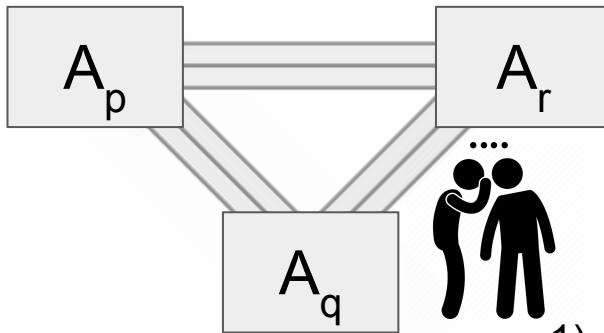
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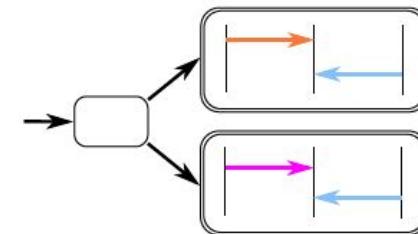
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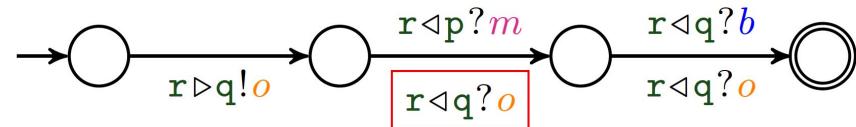
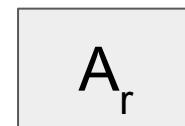
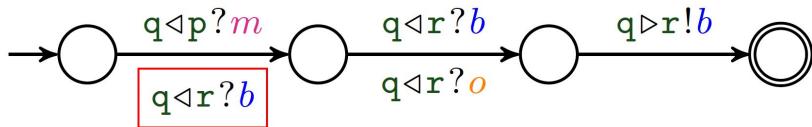
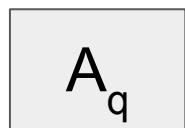
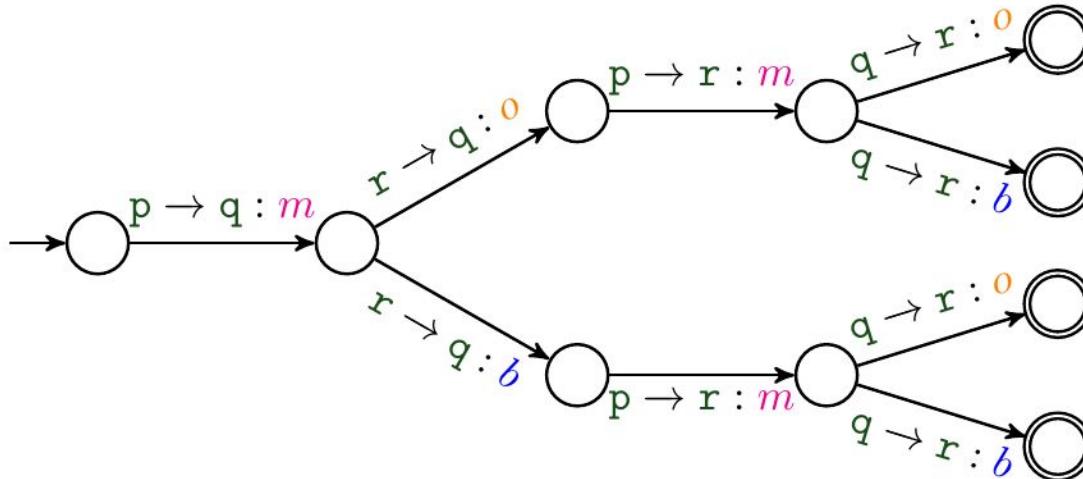


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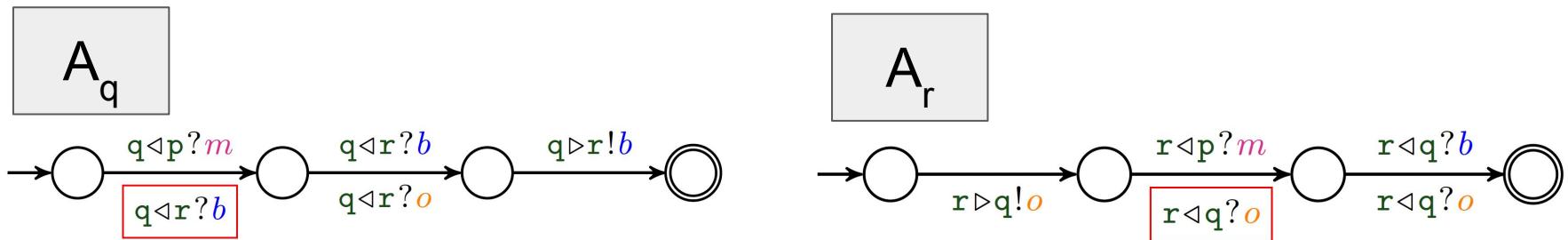
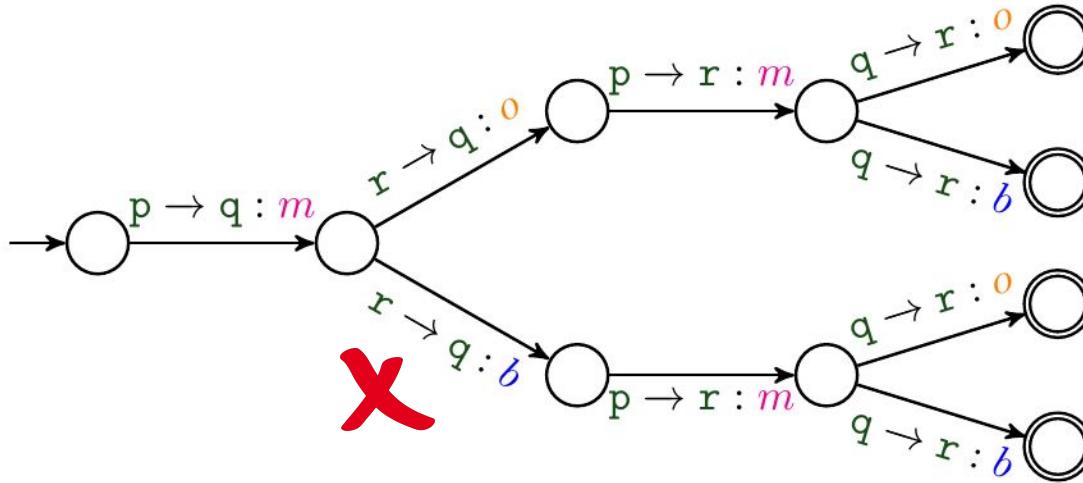


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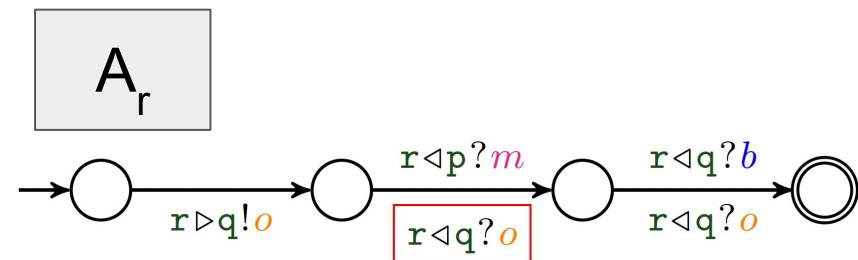
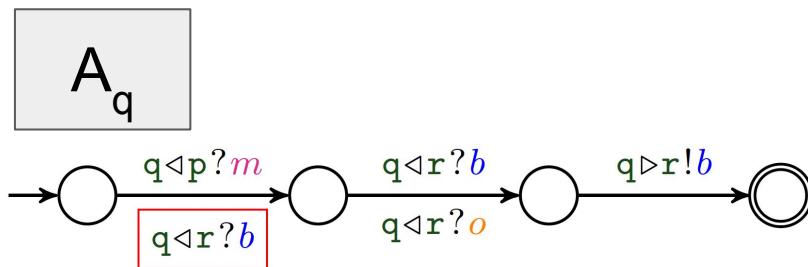
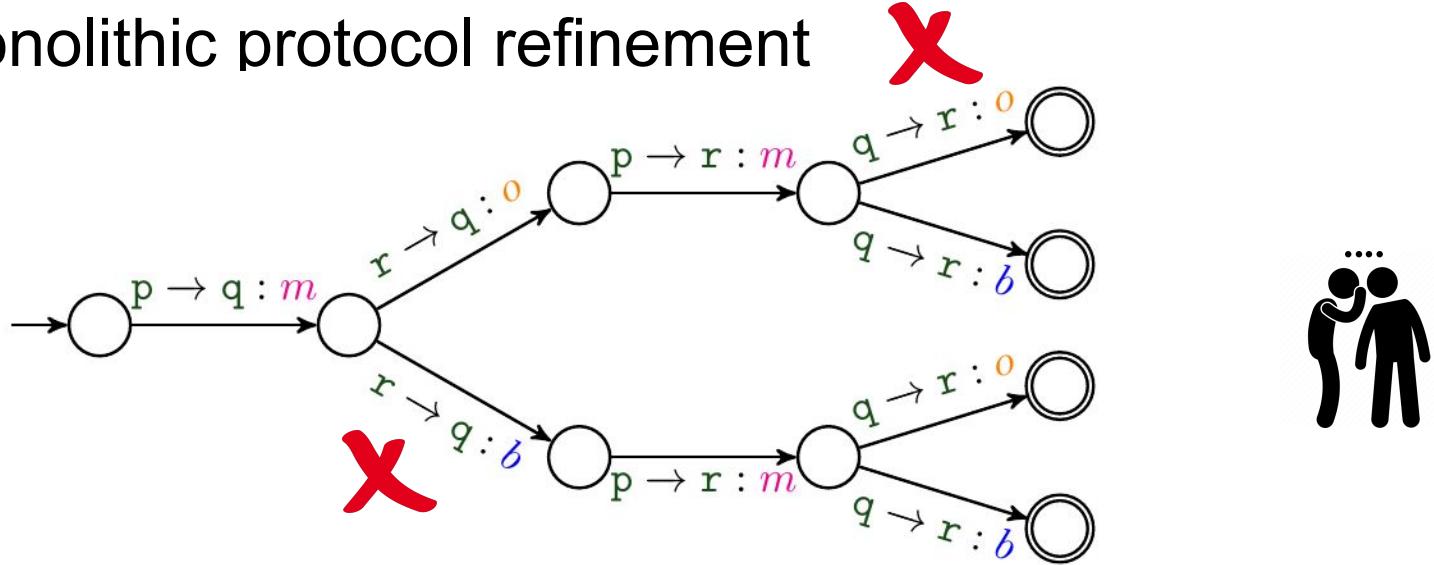
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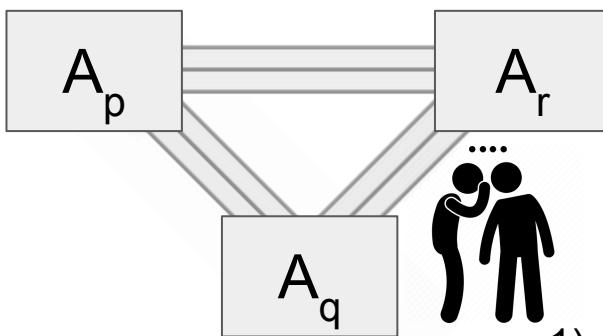
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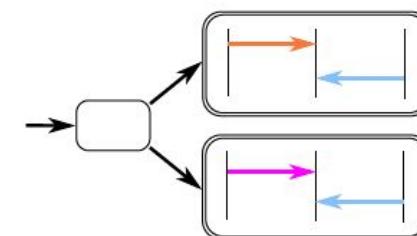
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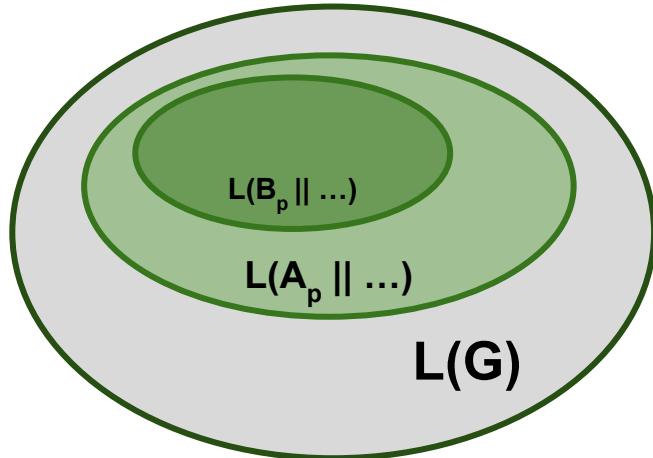
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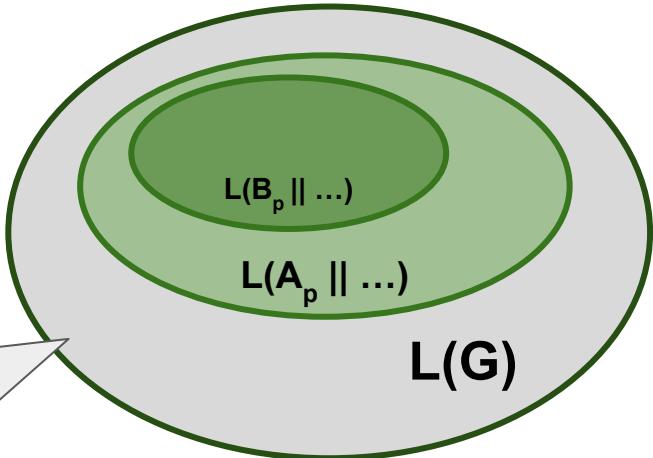
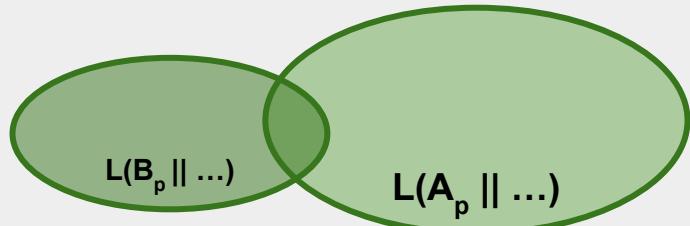
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## Brief digression on terminology:

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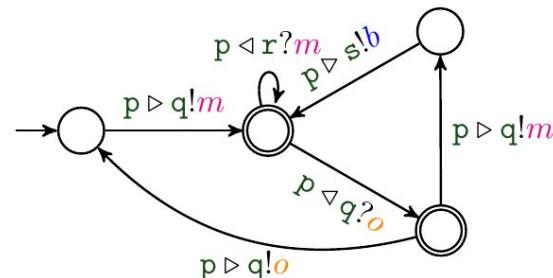
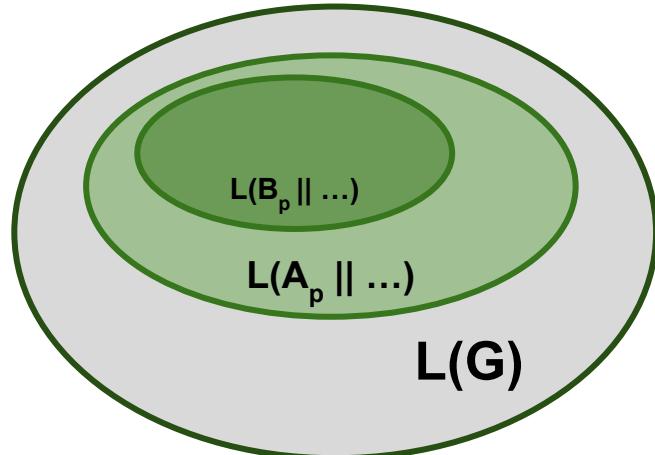
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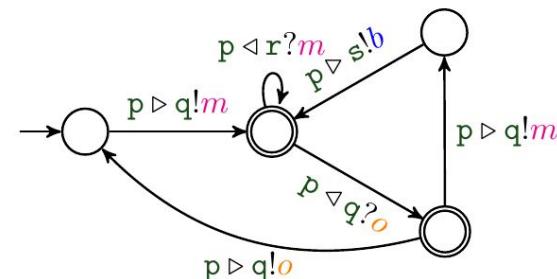
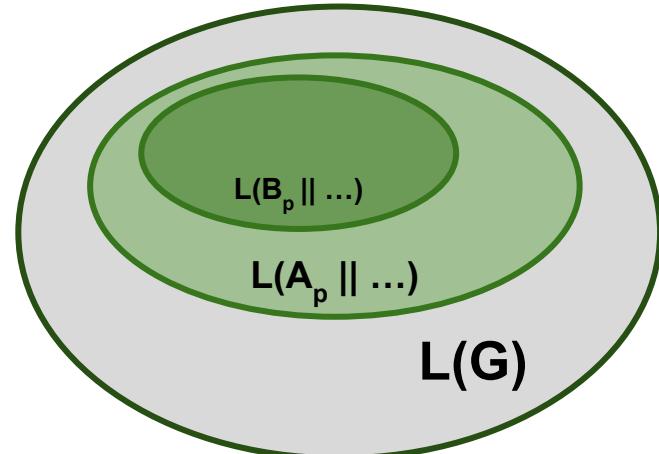


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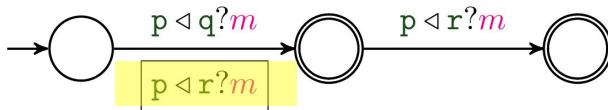
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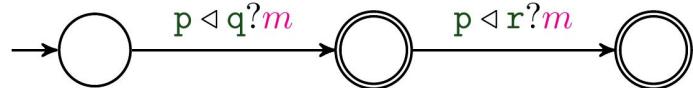
Folkloric subtyping: "*add receives, remove sends*"

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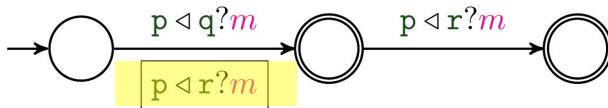


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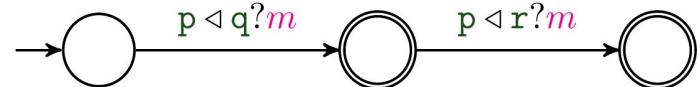


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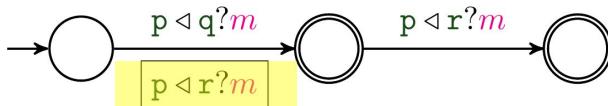
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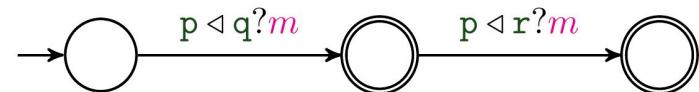
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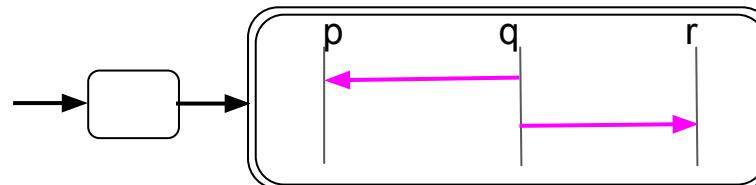
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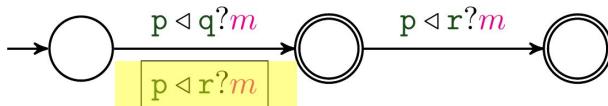


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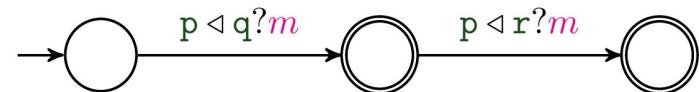


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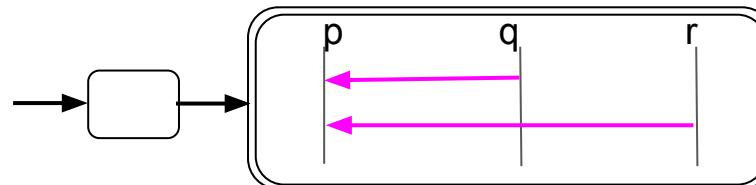
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# MST protocol refinement (subtyping)

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