

Enumeration of minimal acyclic automata

Parking functions

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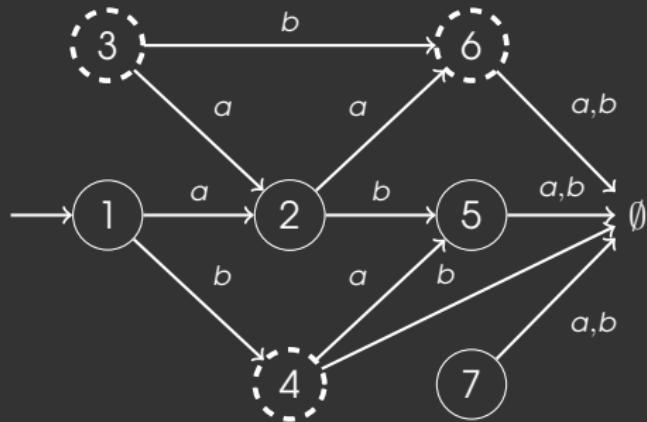
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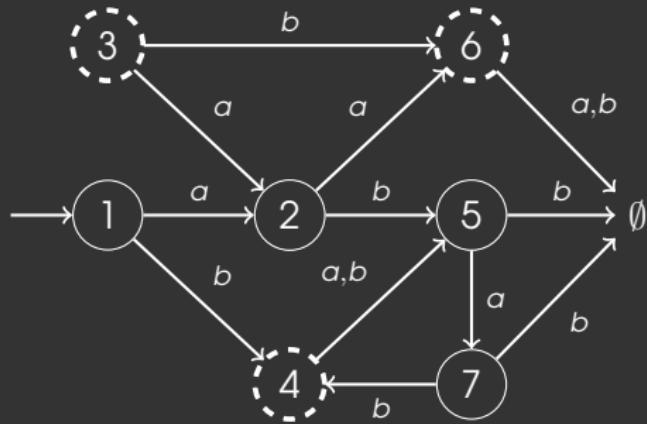
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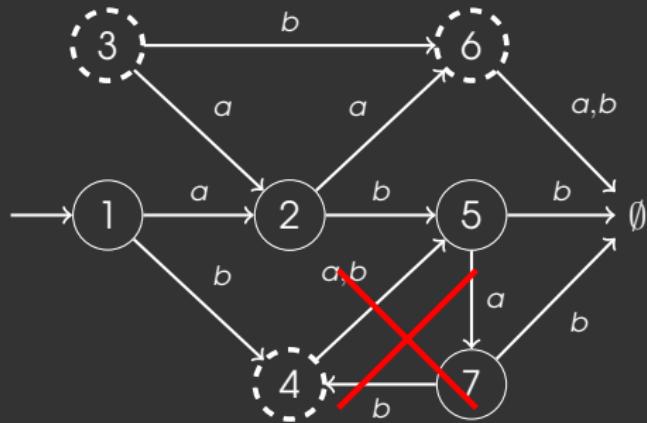
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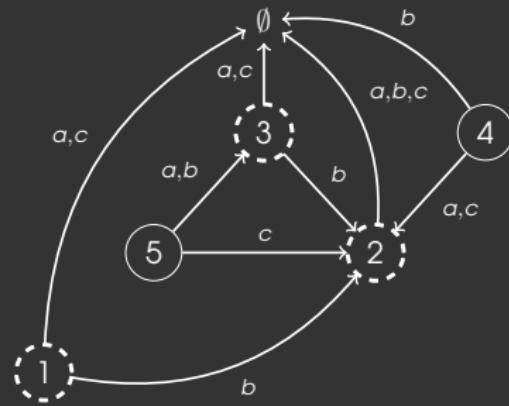
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Notation: $\mathcal{F}_\chi \simeq \mathcal{F}_{m^2}$

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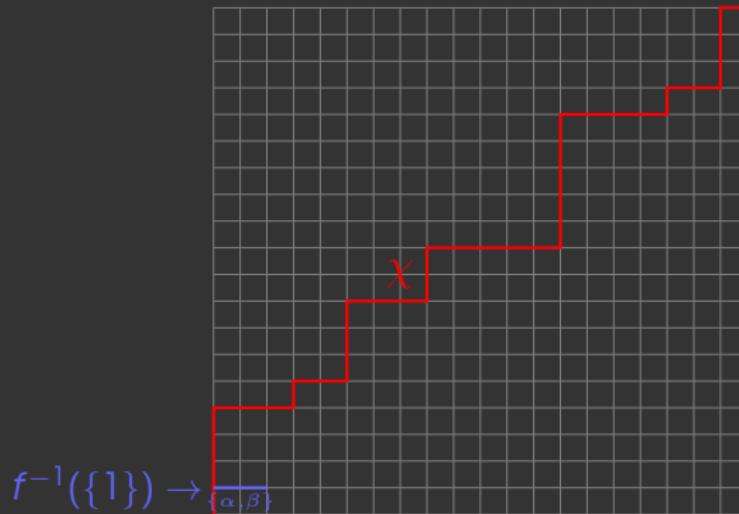
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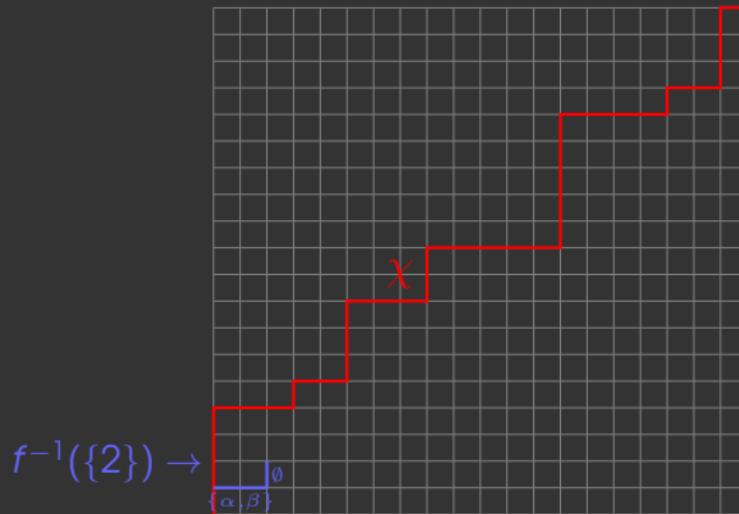
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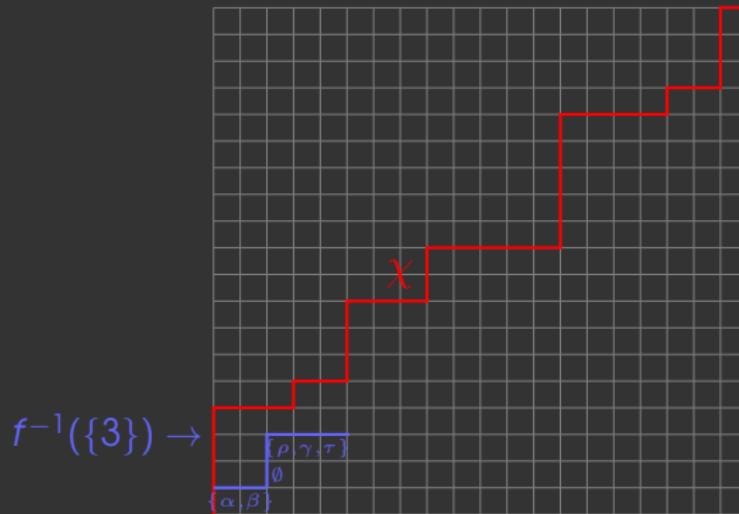
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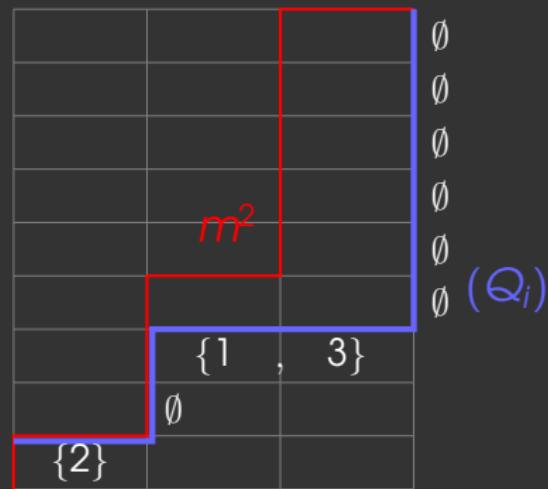
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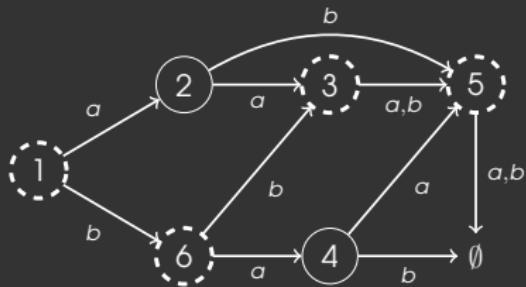
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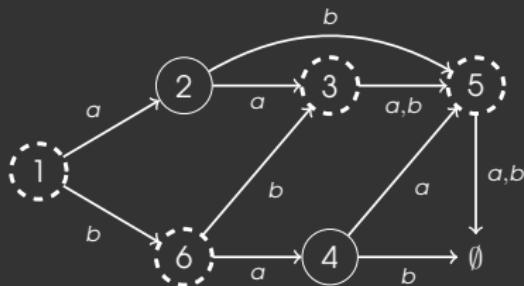
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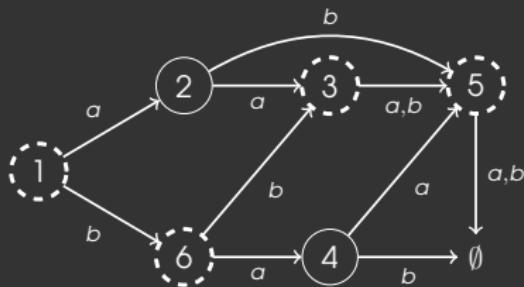
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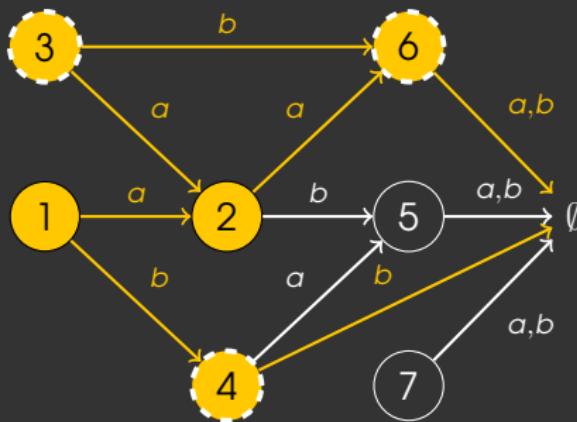
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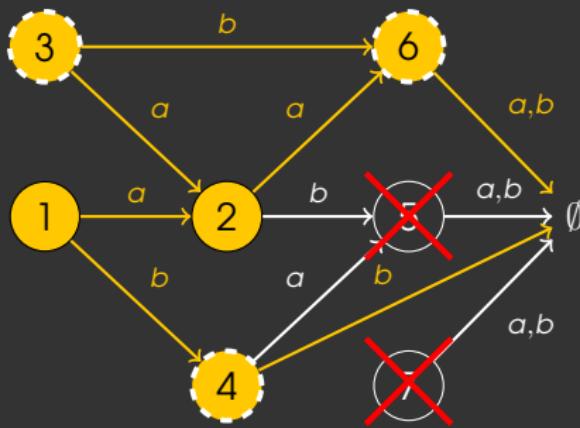


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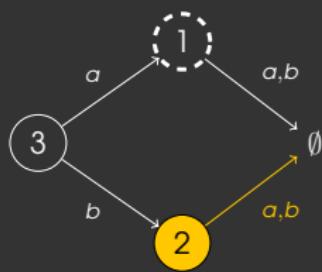


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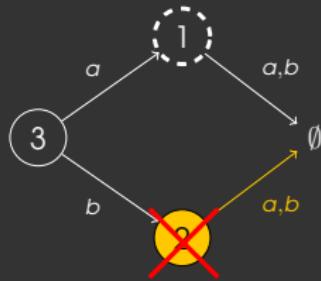
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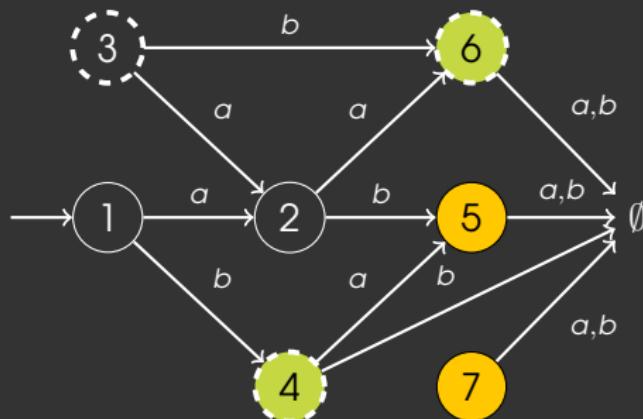
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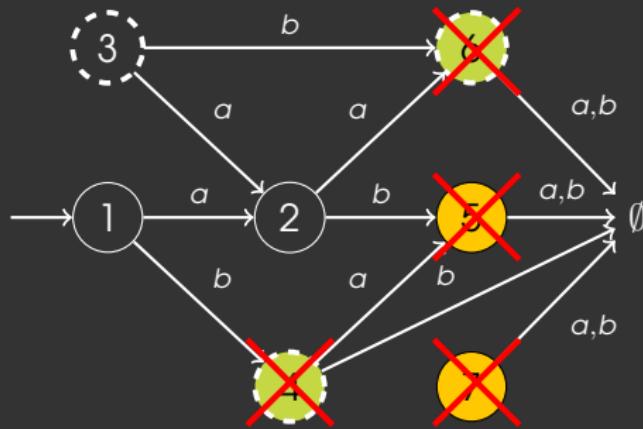
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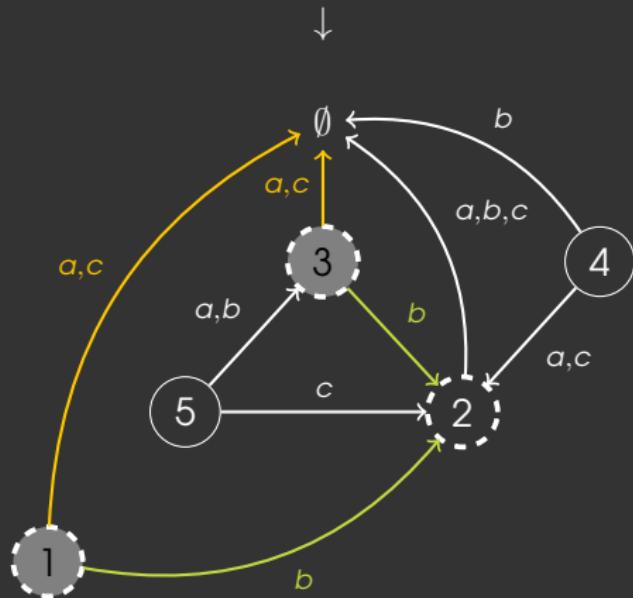
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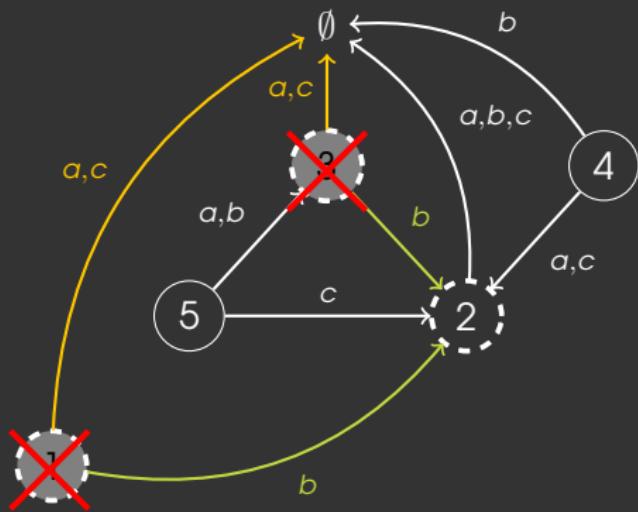
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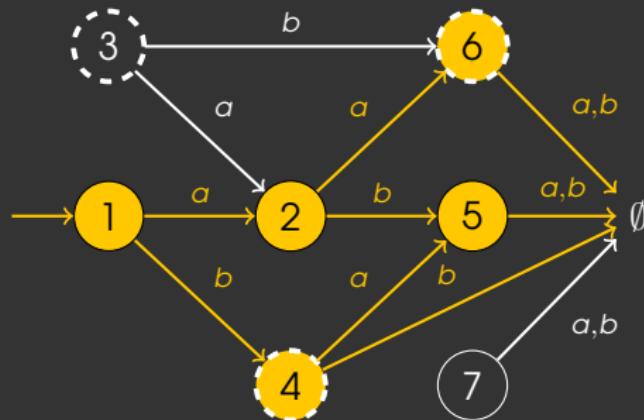
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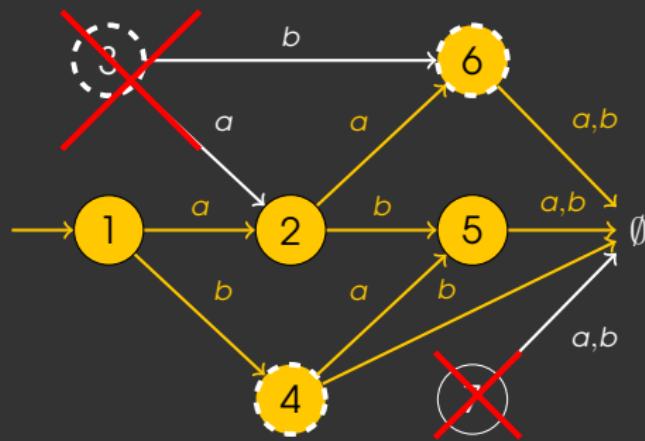


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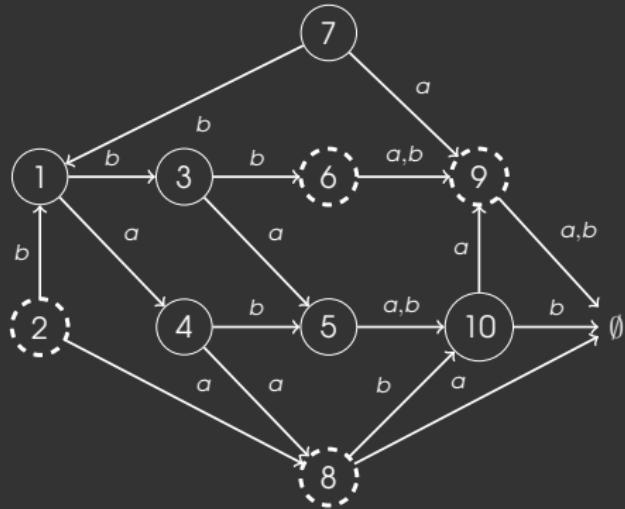
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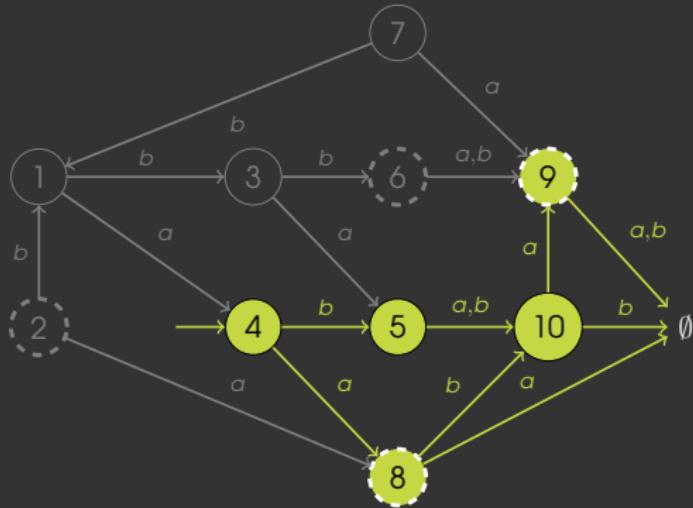
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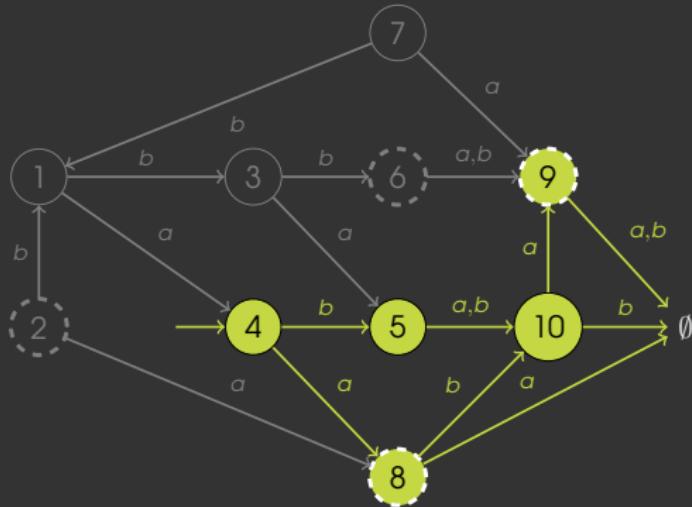
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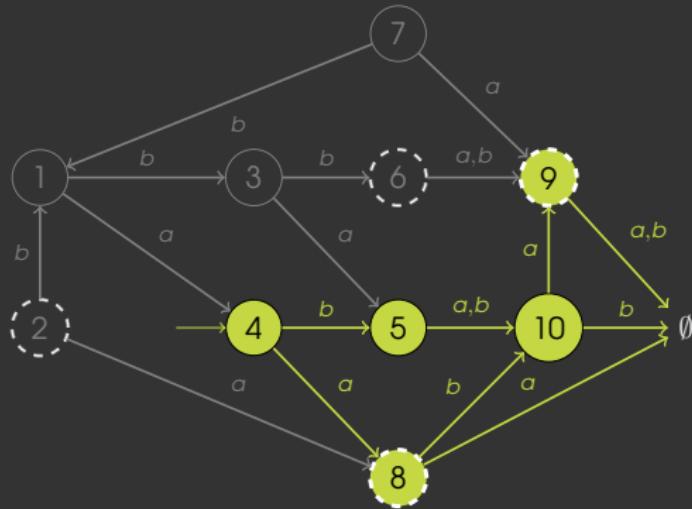


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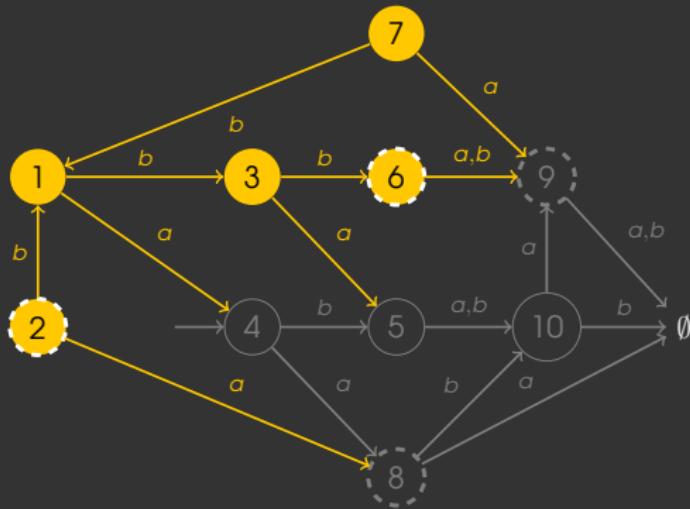
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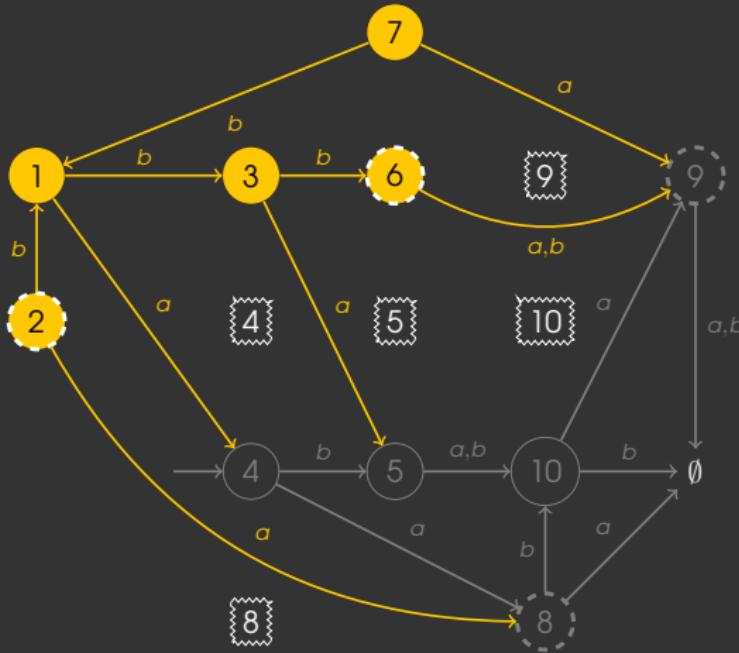
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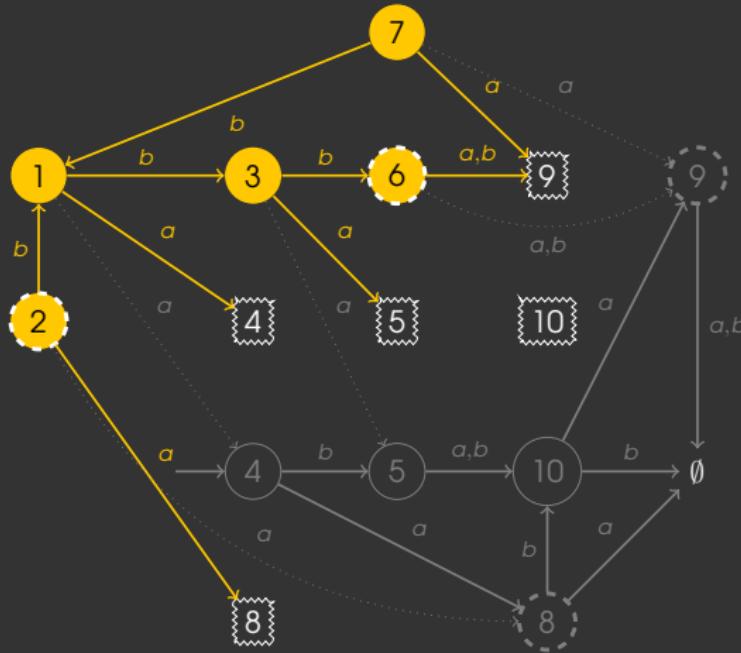
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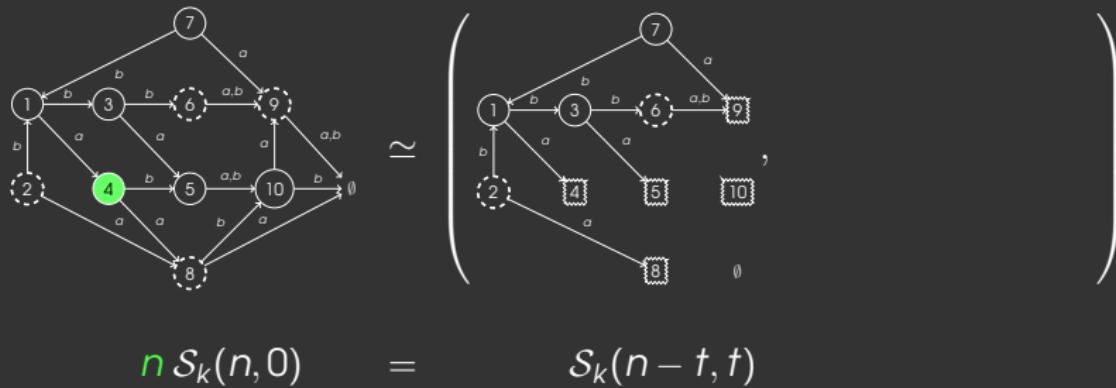
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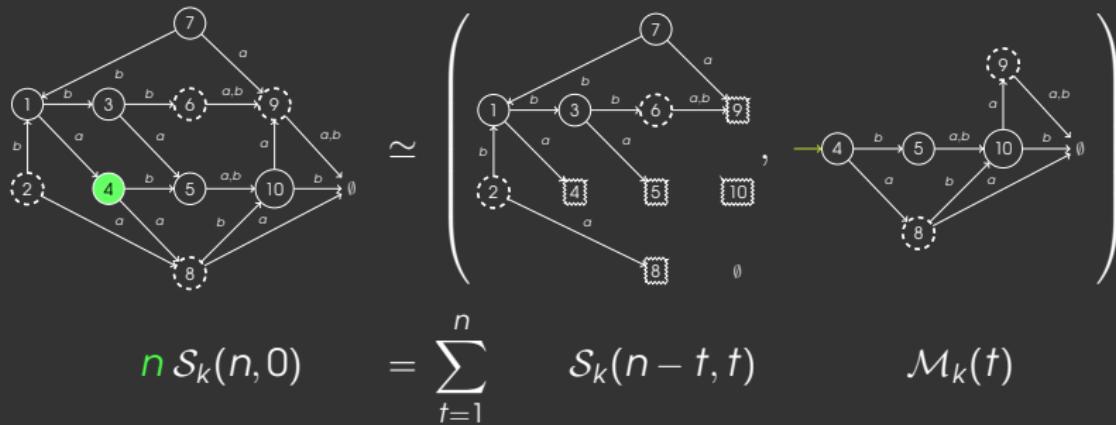
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