

Quantitative Model-Checking and Mean-Payoff Expressions

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 - Background on model-checking
 - From Boolean model-checking to quantitative model-checking
 - Quantitative languages
 - Weighted automata
 - The class of mean-payoff expressions
 - Our contribution

Model-Checking



Program

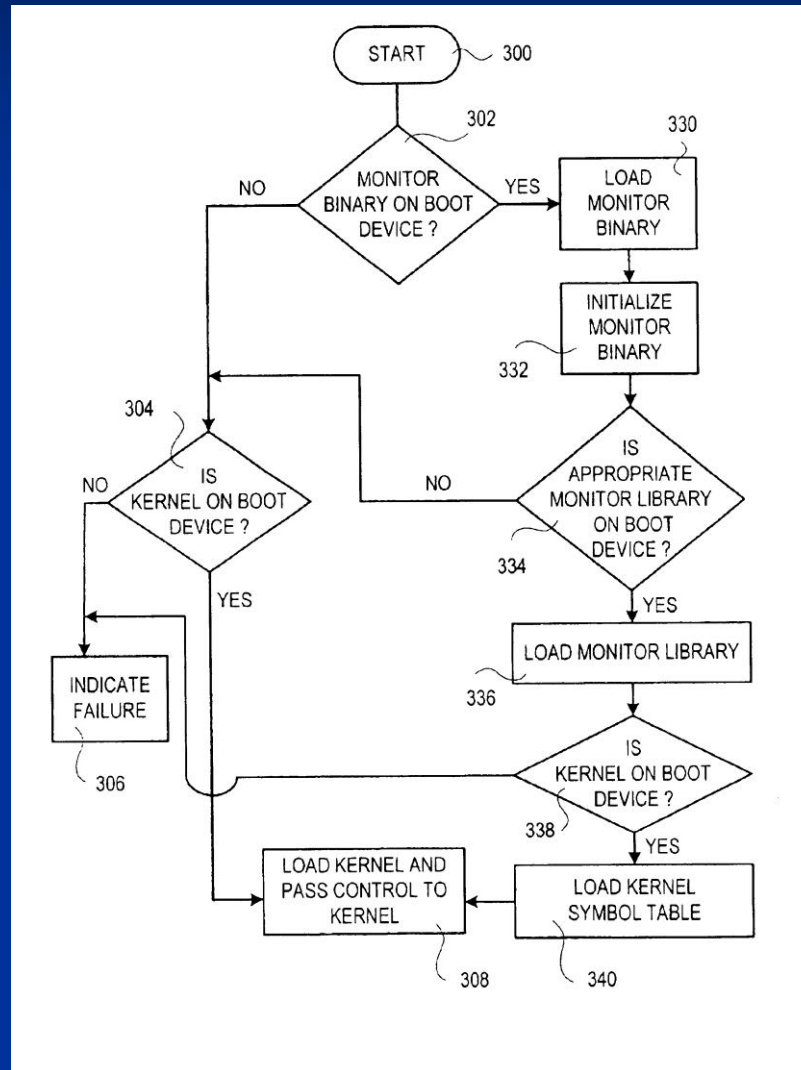
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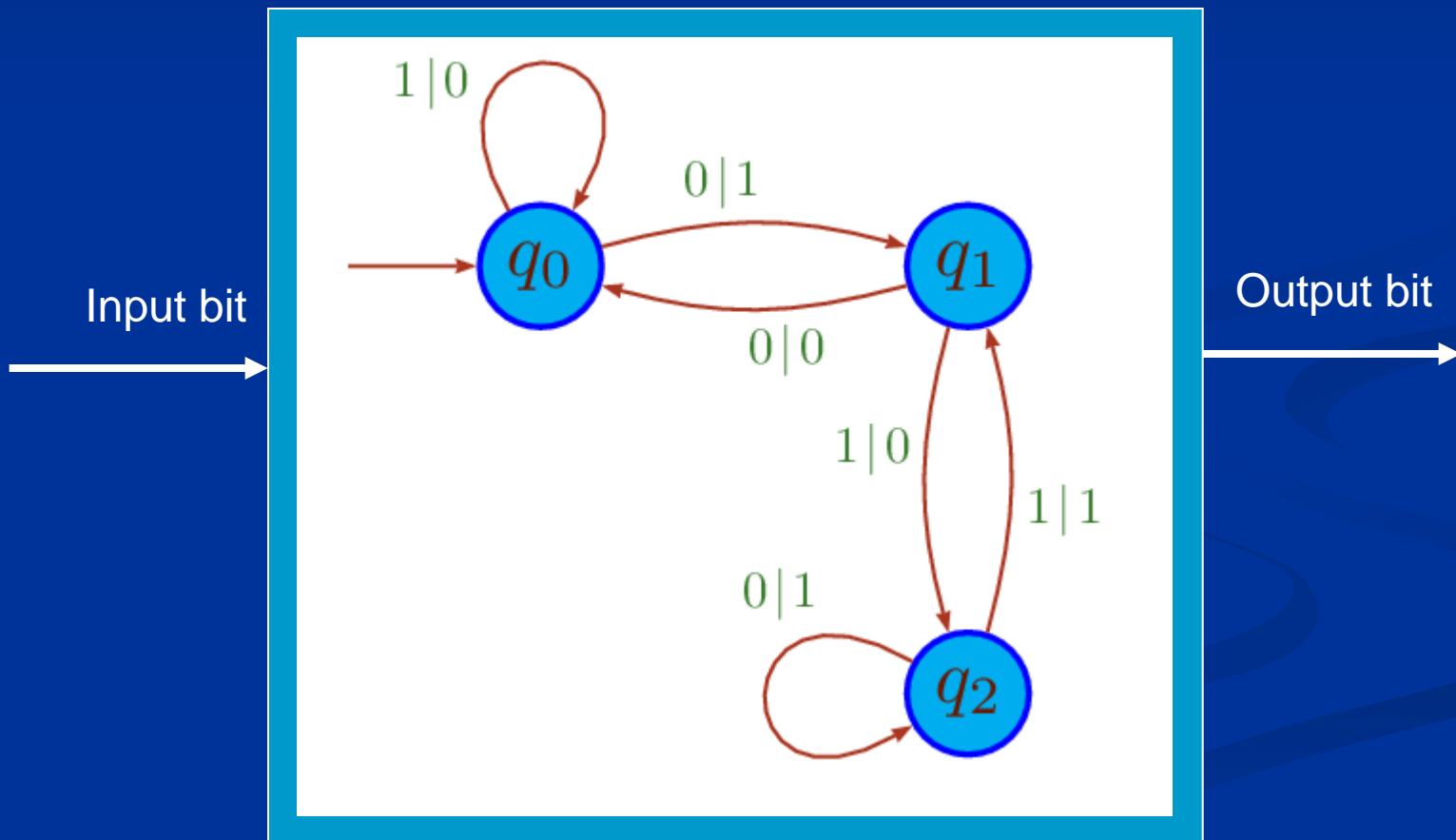
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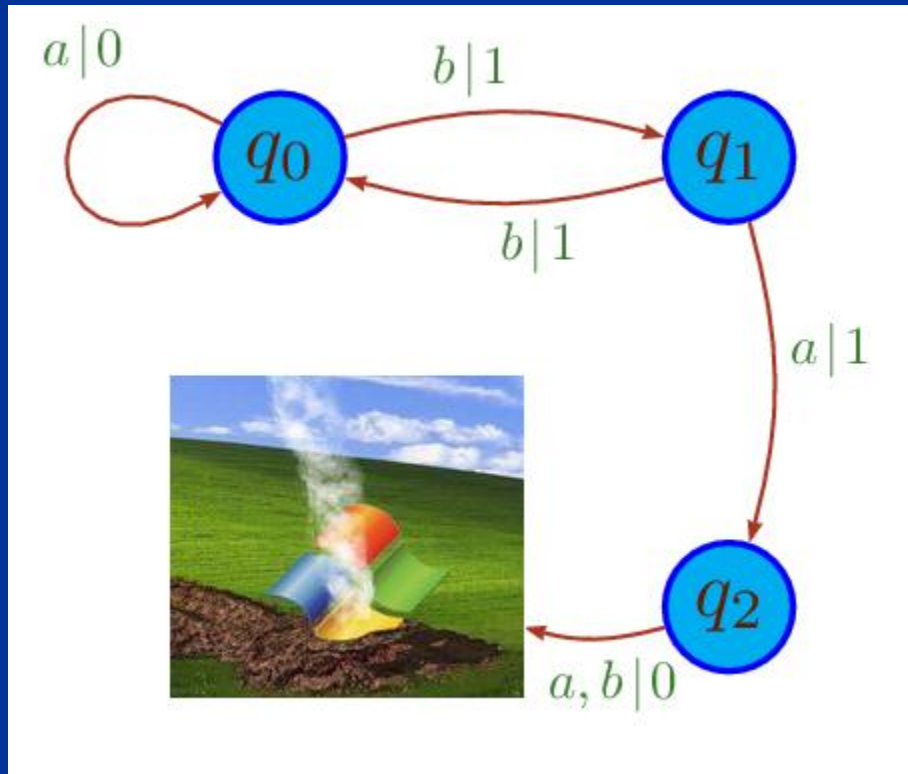
Program

- Finite state machine



Property

- The OS never crashes



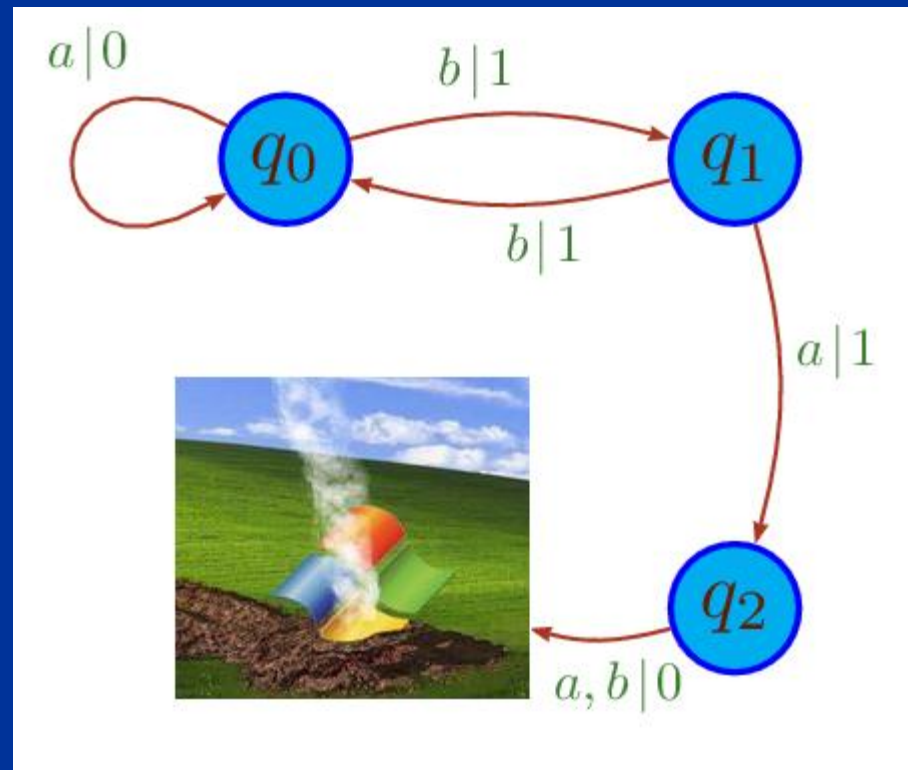
q_2 is never reached

Property

- Property is a set of infinite runs
 - $P = \text{“State } q_2 \text{ is never reached”}$
 - $q_0 q_1 q_0 (q_0 q_1) (q_0 q_1) (q_0 q_1) \dots \in P$
 - $q_0 q_1 q_2 q_3 (q_3) (q_3) (q_3) \dots \notin P$

Language of a Property

- Property + Program = Language
 - $P = \text{“State } q_2 \text{ is never reached”}$
 - $aaaaa\dots \in L$
 - $abaaa\dots \notin L$



Model-Checking



- Property + Program = L
- Is there exists a word $\notin L$?

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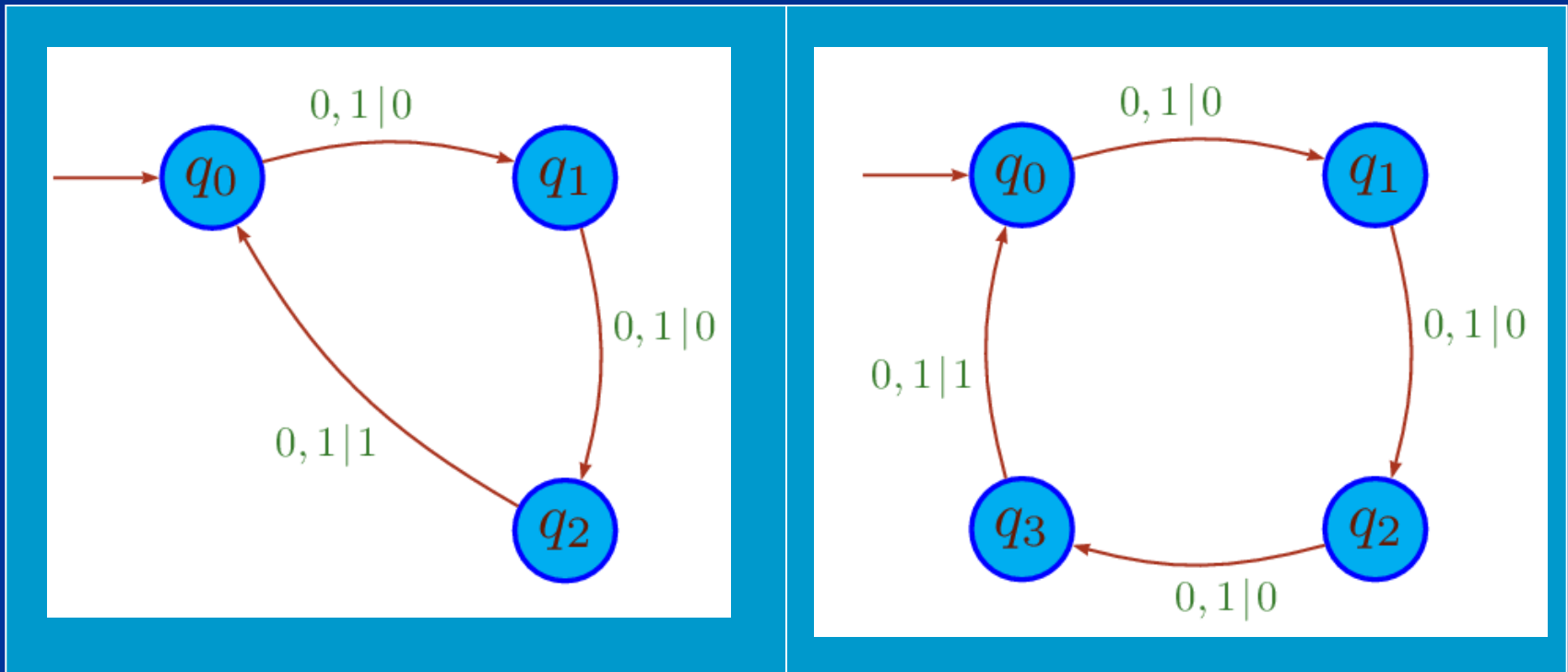
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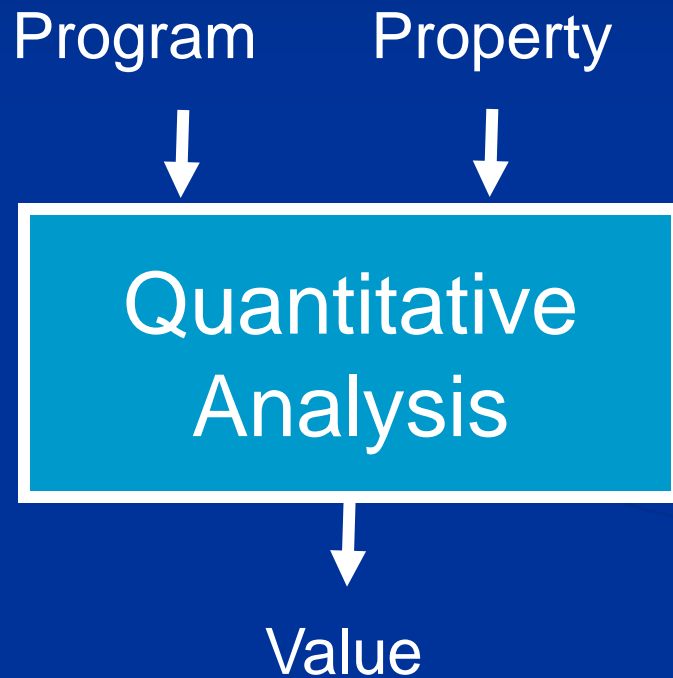
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- Property: '1' is always eventually outputted



- Which implementation is better?

Quantitative Model-Checking

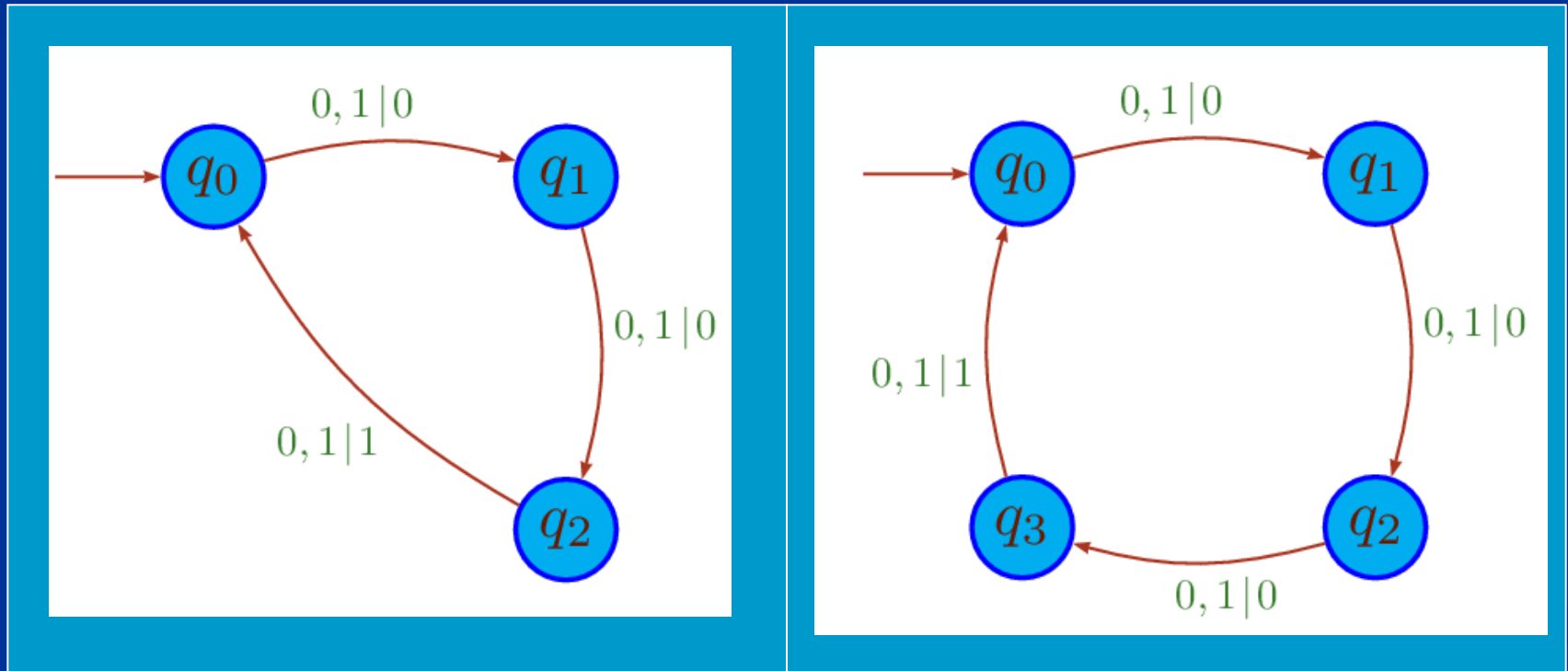


Quantitative Property

- Property : runs $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Property + Program = Quantitative Language
 - L : infinite words $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Example

- $P(\text{run}) = -$ (maximal number of consecutive states that do not output '1')



- For every input: $L_2(\text{input}) \leq L_1(\text{input})$

Program Refinement

- Given property P and programs A_1, A_2
 - A_2 refines A_1 if for every input:
 - $(P + A_1)(\text{input}) \leq (P + A_2)(\text{input})$



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The quantitative language inclusion problem

- For two quantitative languages L_1 and L_2
 - is $L_1(w) \leq L_2(w)$ for every word w ?
- A class of languages is decidable if the inclusion problem is decidable

Closure Operations

- For quantitative languages L_1 and L_2
 - $\mathbf{min}(L_1, L_2)(w) = \min(L_1(w), L_2(w))$
 - $\mathbf{max}(L_1, L_2)(w) = \max(L_1(w), L_2(w))$
 - $(-L_1)(w) = 1 - L_1(w)$
 - $\mathbf{sum}(L_1, L_2)(w) = L_1(w) + L_2(w)$
- A class of languages is robust if it closed under the above operations

Generalization of Boolean languages

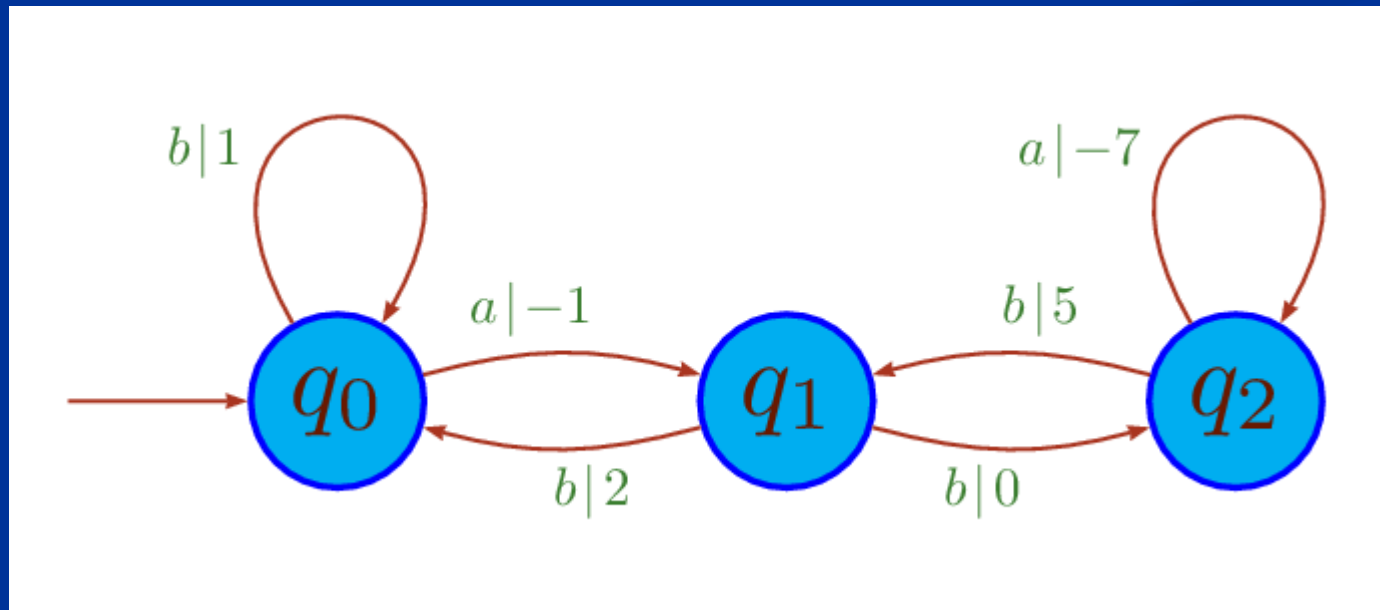
- Boolean language L : infinite word $\rightarrow \{0,1\}$
- $L_1 \cap L_2 = \mathbf{min}(L_1, L_2)$
- $L_1 \cup L_2 = \mathbf{max}(L_1, L_2)$
- $L^c = -L$
- $L_1 \subseteq L_2 \Leftrightarrow L_1 \leq L_2$

Goal

- Find a robust and decidable class of quantitative languages

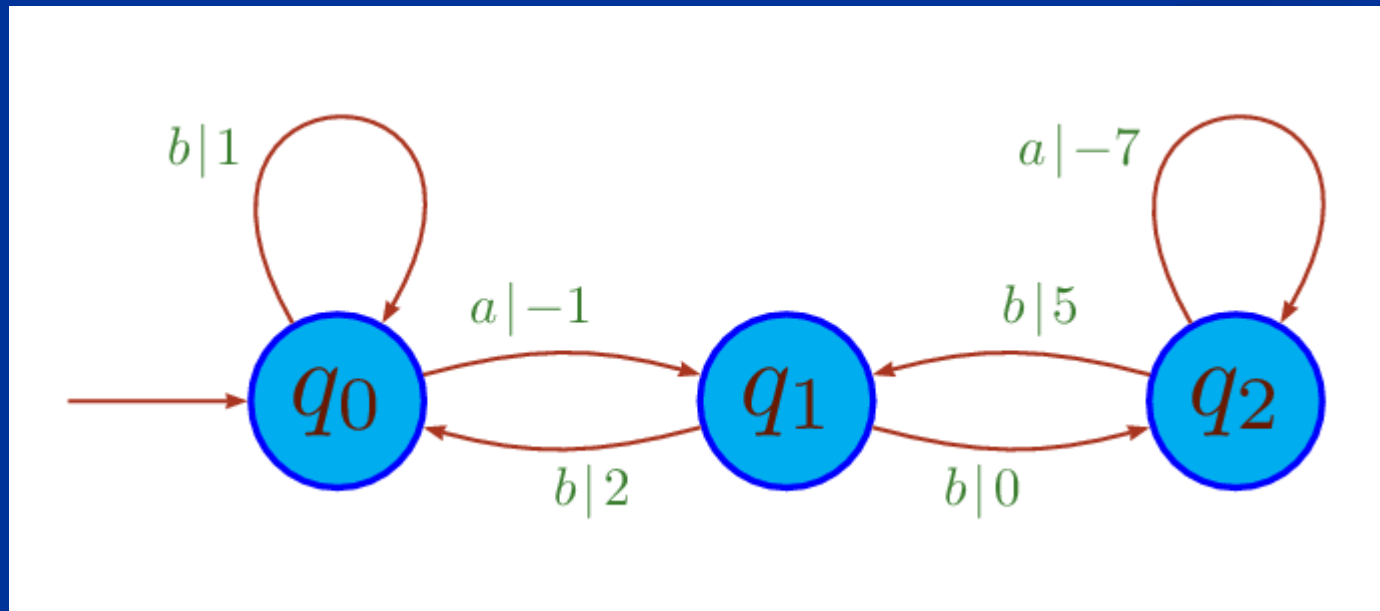
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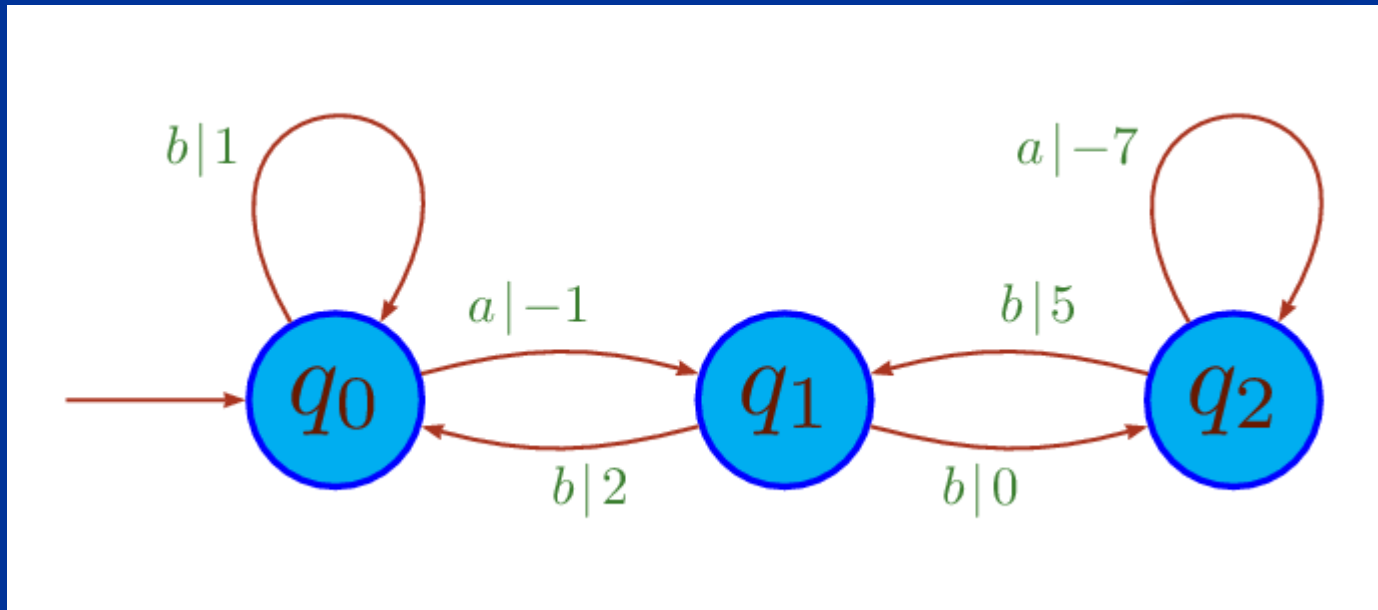
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 - Max automaton: $A(w) = \mathbf{max}\{v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots\}$



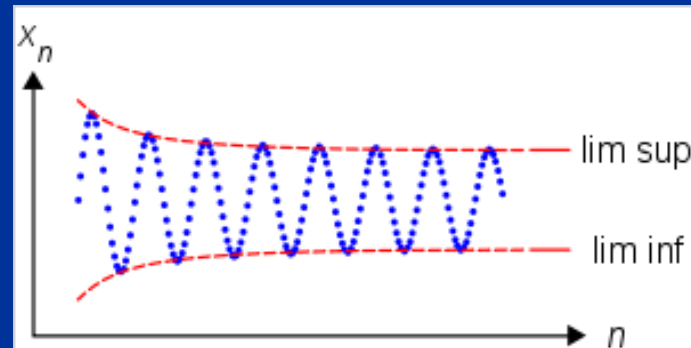
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The Class of LimAvg Automata

- Decidable
- Not robust

Mean-payoff expressions

- Chatterjee, Doyen, Edelsbrunner, Henzinger and Rannou 2010:
 - $E := \text{LimAvg}(A) \mid \mathbf{min}(E,E) \mid \mathbf{max}(E,E) \mid \mathbf{sum}(E,E) \mid -E$
 - Example:
 - $\mathbf{min}(\text{LimAvg}(A_1), \text{LimAvg}(A_2)) + \mathbf{max}(\text{LimAvg}(A_3), -\text{LimAvg}(A_4))$
- This class is robust
- Is it decidable?

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 - The inclusion problem $\in 4EXPTIME$ ($2^{2^{2^{poly(n)}}}$)
- Our contribution:
 - The inclusion problem is PSPACE complete

Thanks