

Safety Problems are NP-complete for Flat Integer Programs with Octagonal Loops

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Motivation

- Infinite state systems are, in general, **undecidable**
- Few complexity results for the decidable cases:
 - ➔ VAS coverage (EXPSpace-complete) [Rackoff 1978]
 - ➔ inequivalence of reversal-bounded CM (NP-complete) [Ibarra, Gurari 1981]
 - ➔ gap-order constraints (PSPACE-complete) [Bozzelli, Pinchinat 2012]
- Efficient algorithm for flat integer programs with difference bounds and octagonal loops [BIK'10]
 - ➔ worst case EXPTIME, yet good average performance
- NP-completeness explains the behavior of our algorithm
 - ➔ **educated guessing** may solve NP-complete problems efficiently

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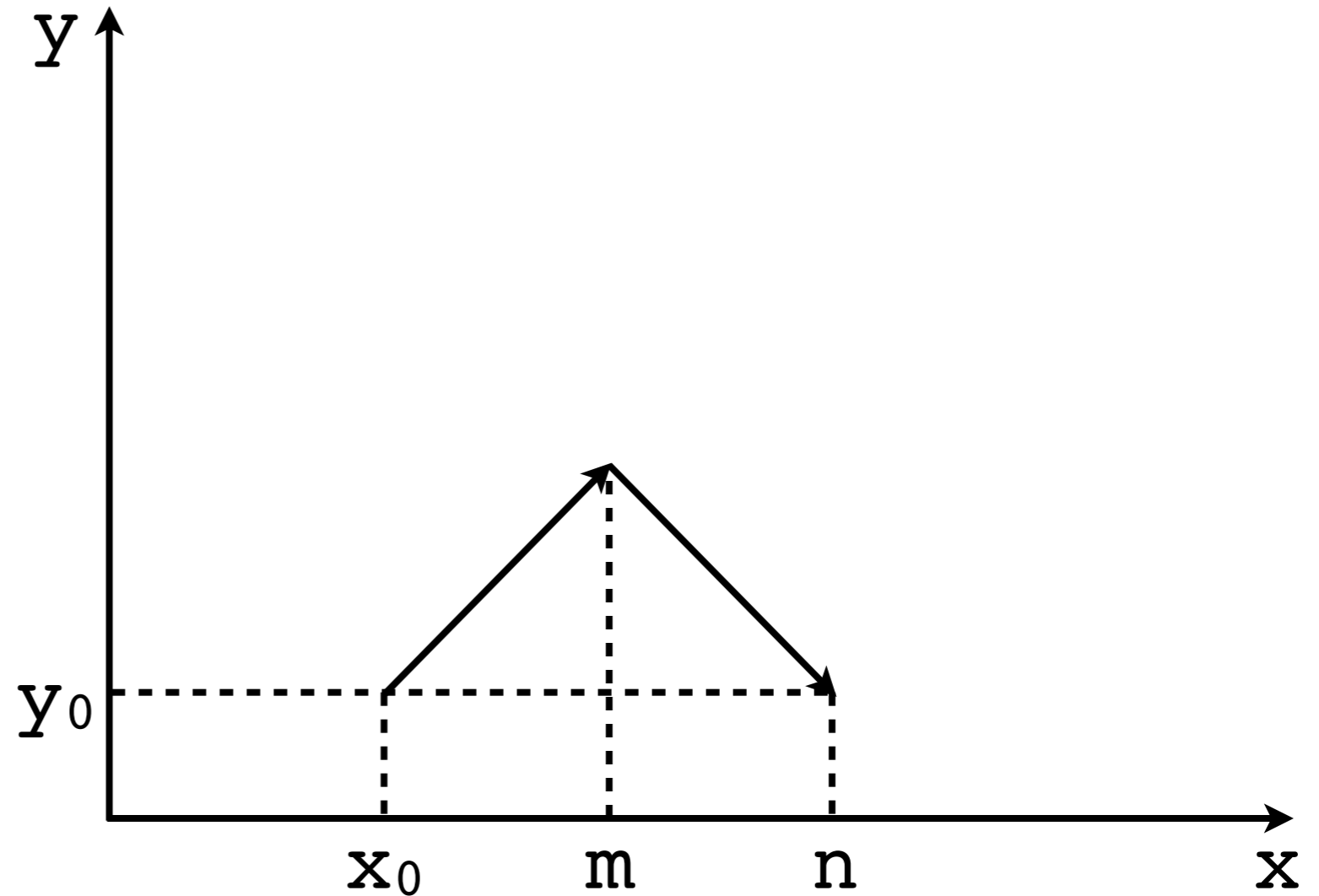
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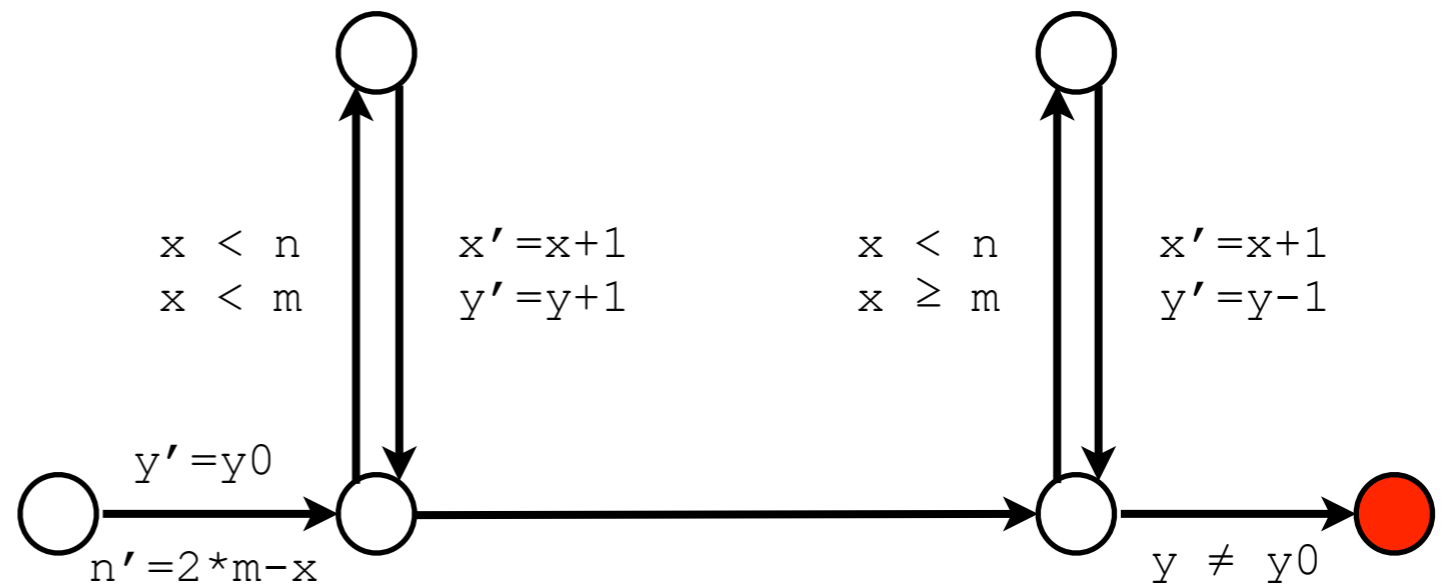
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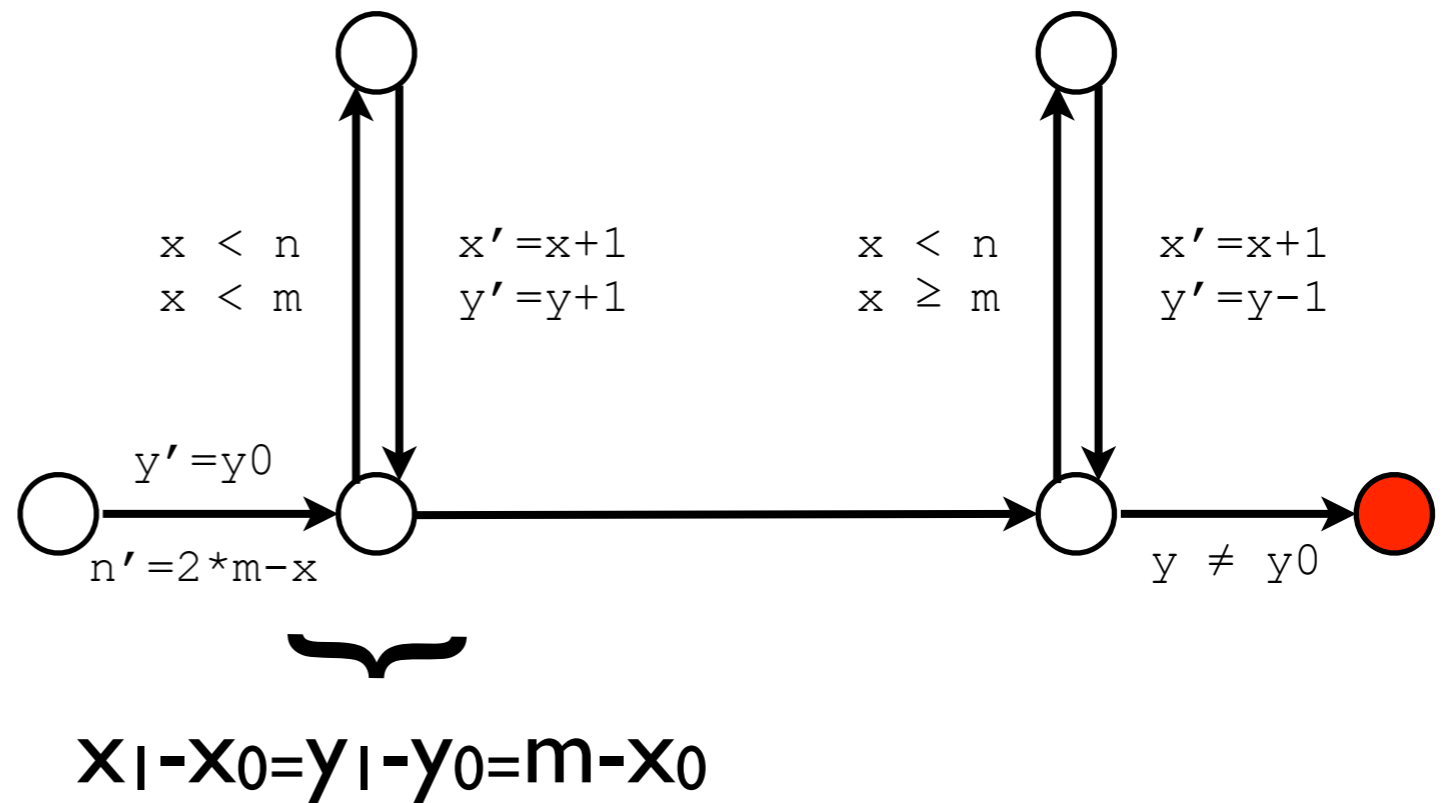


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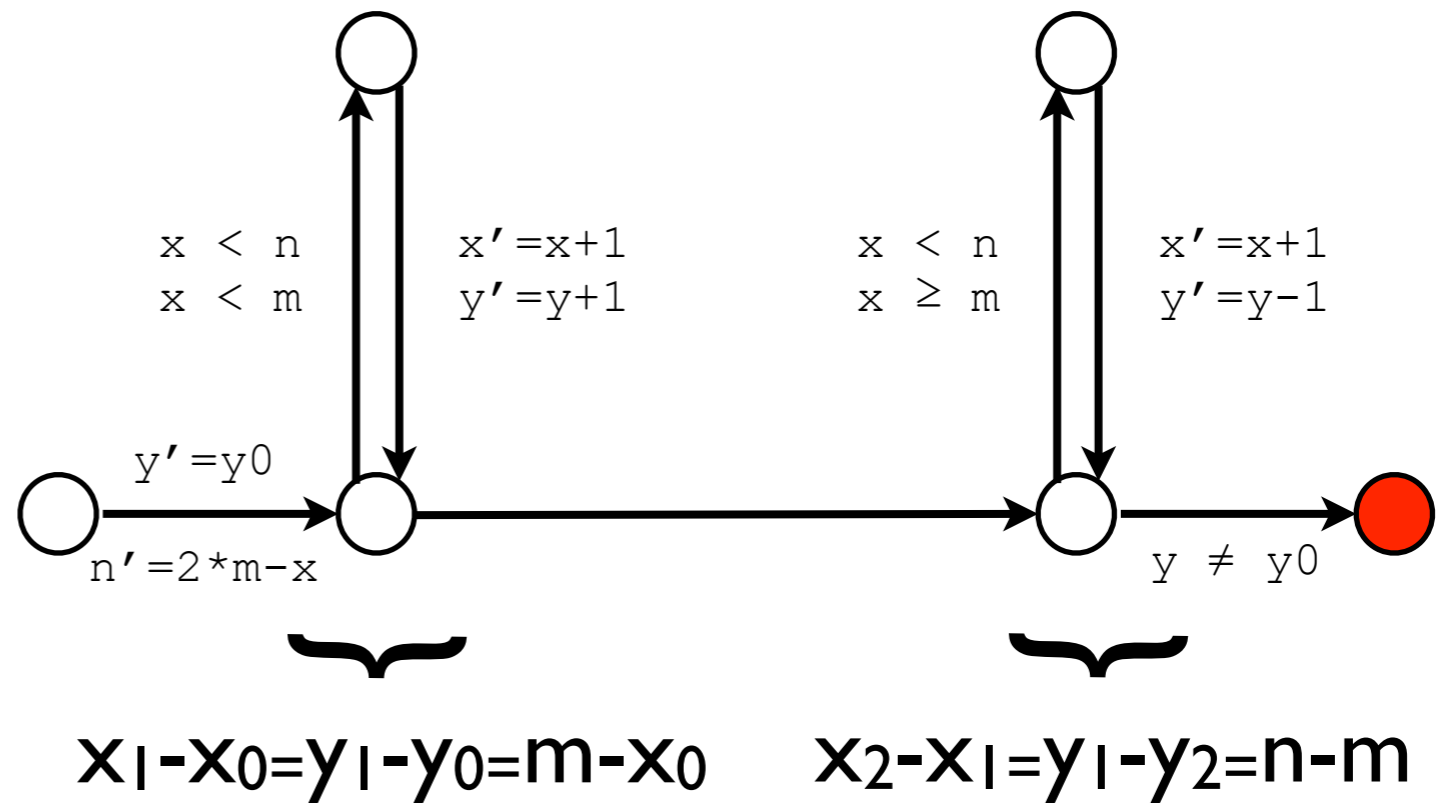
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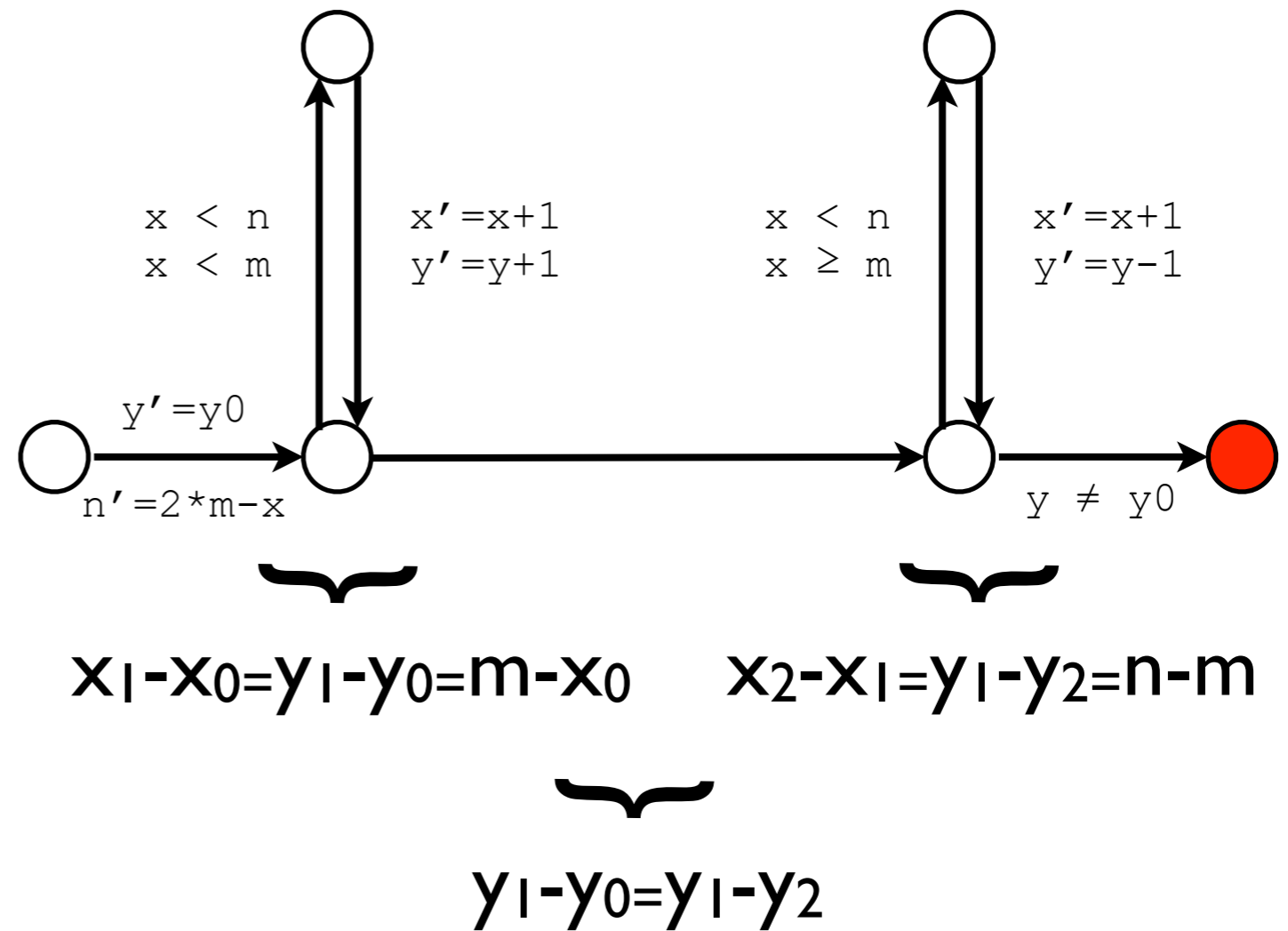
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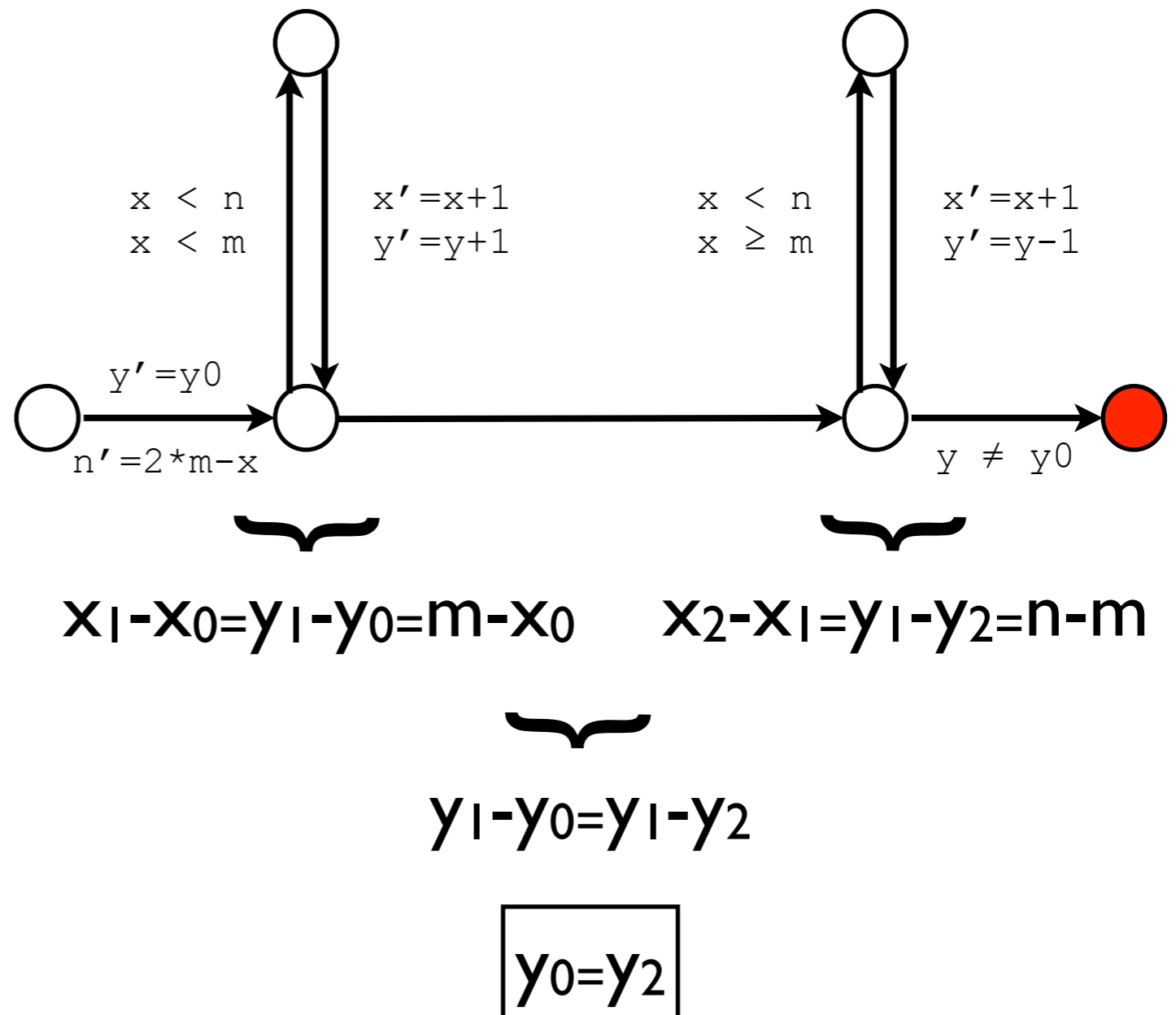
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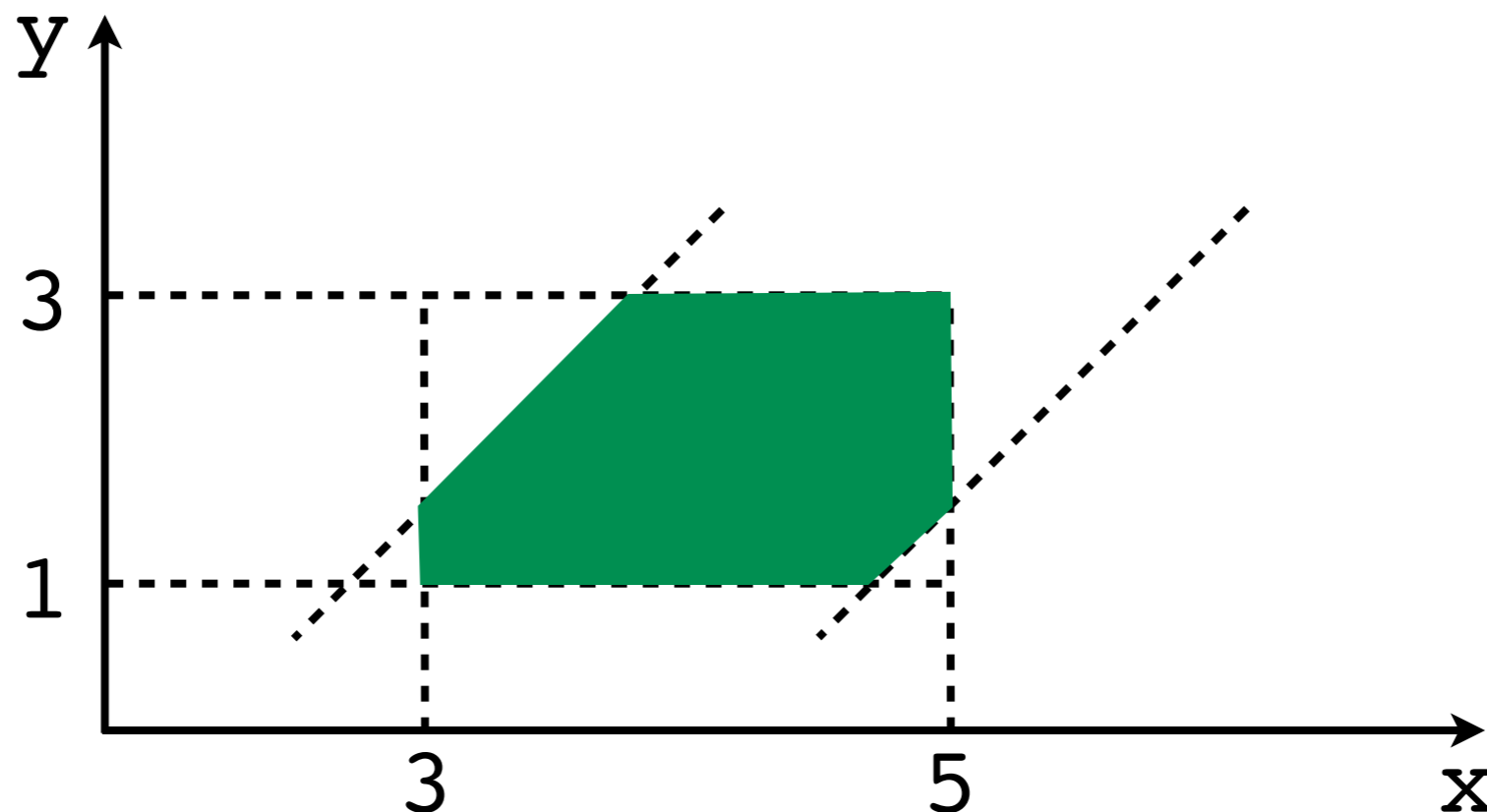
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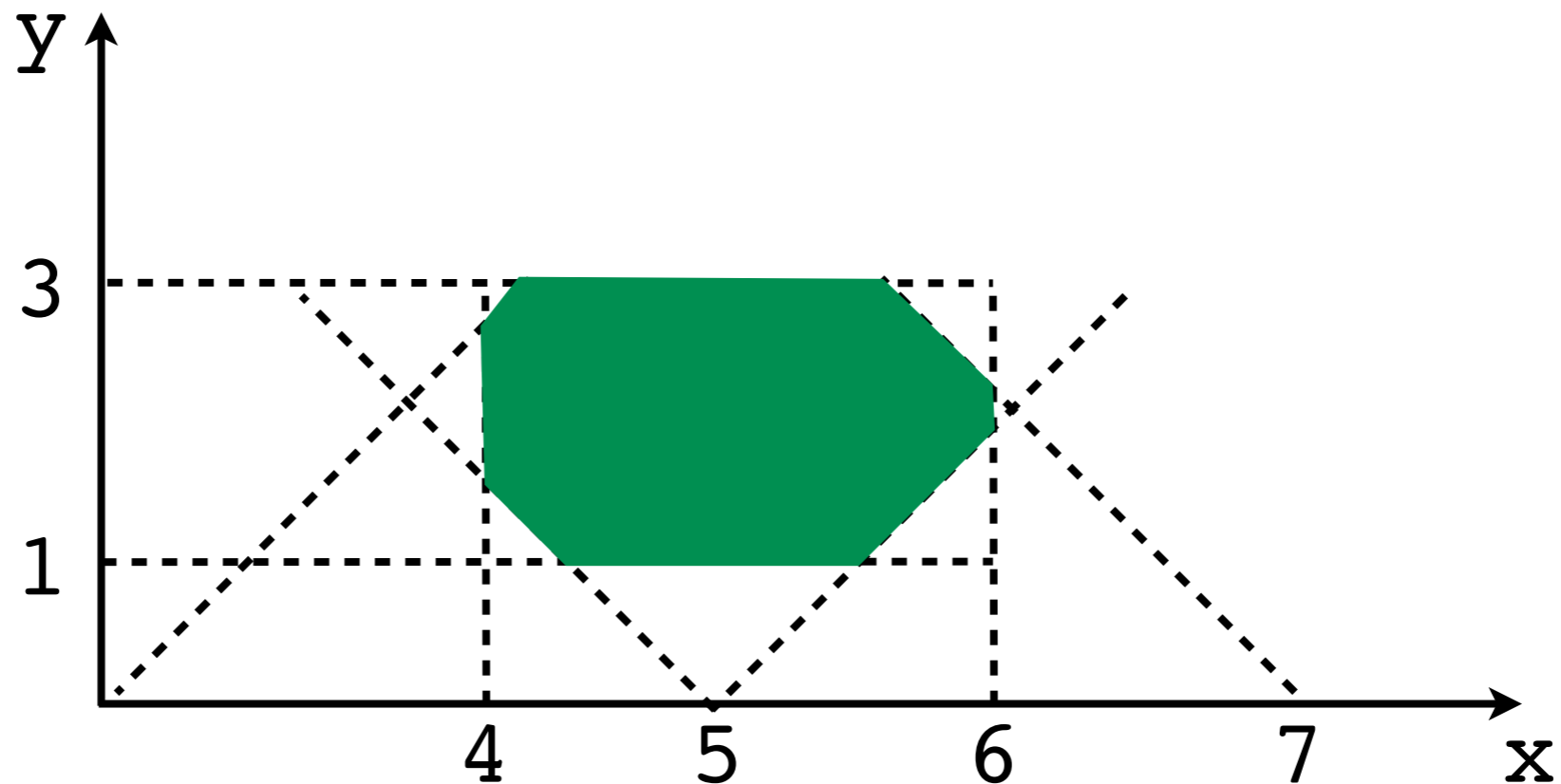
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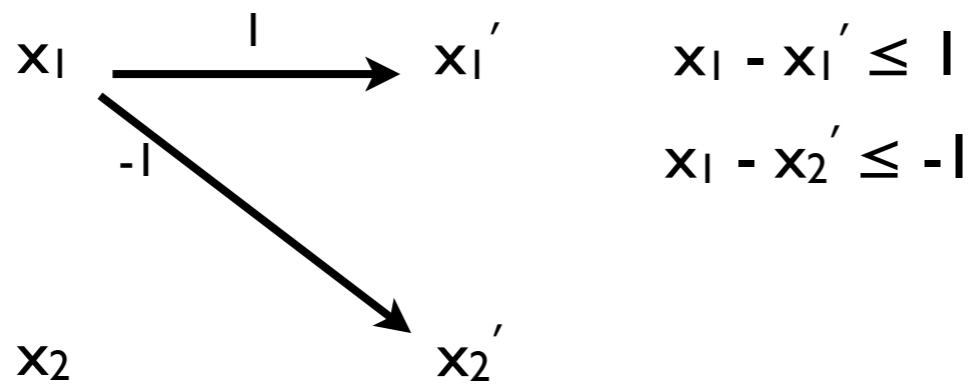
x_2'

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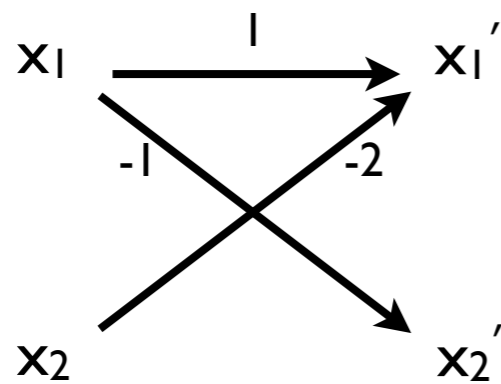
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$$x_2 \quad x_2'$$

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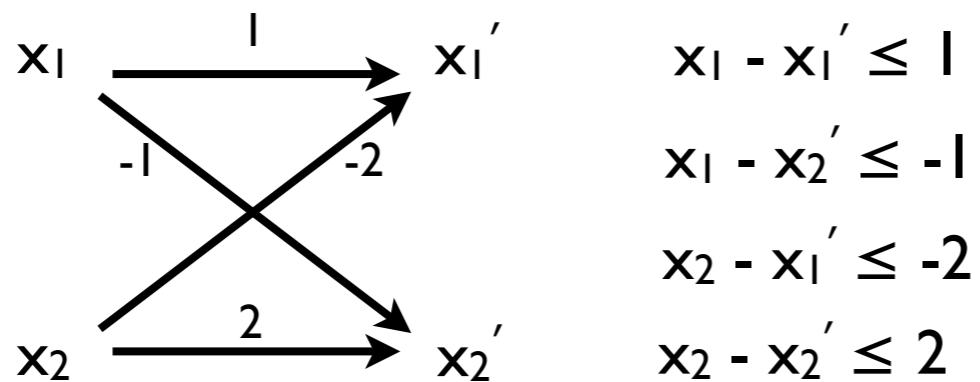


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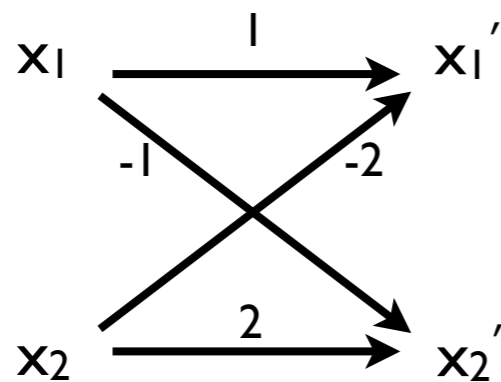
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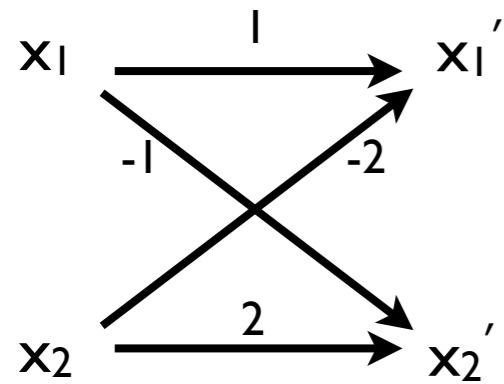
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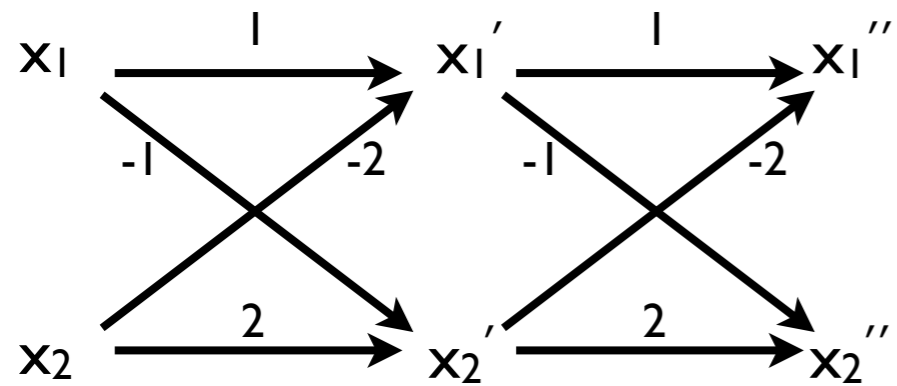
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	x_1	x_2	x_1'	x_2'
x_1	0	∞	1	-1
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x_2'	∞	∞	∞	0

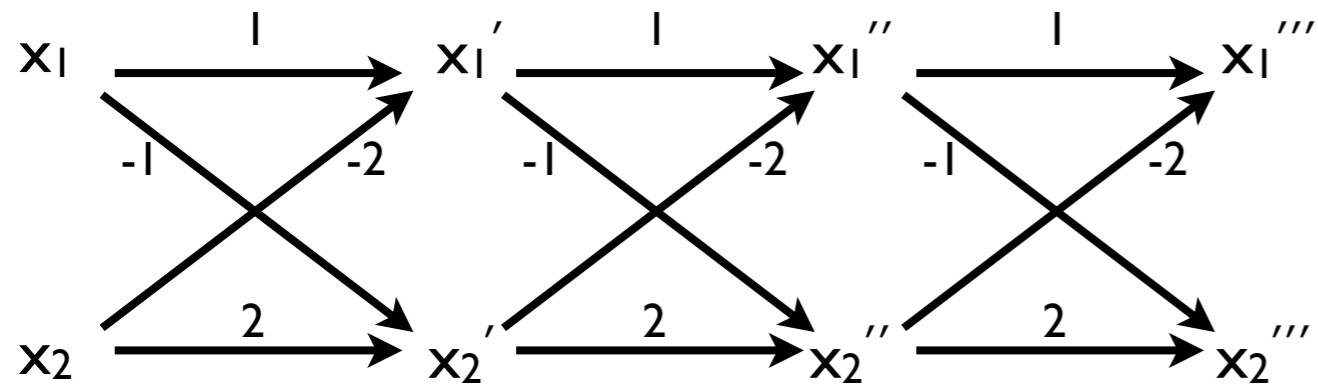
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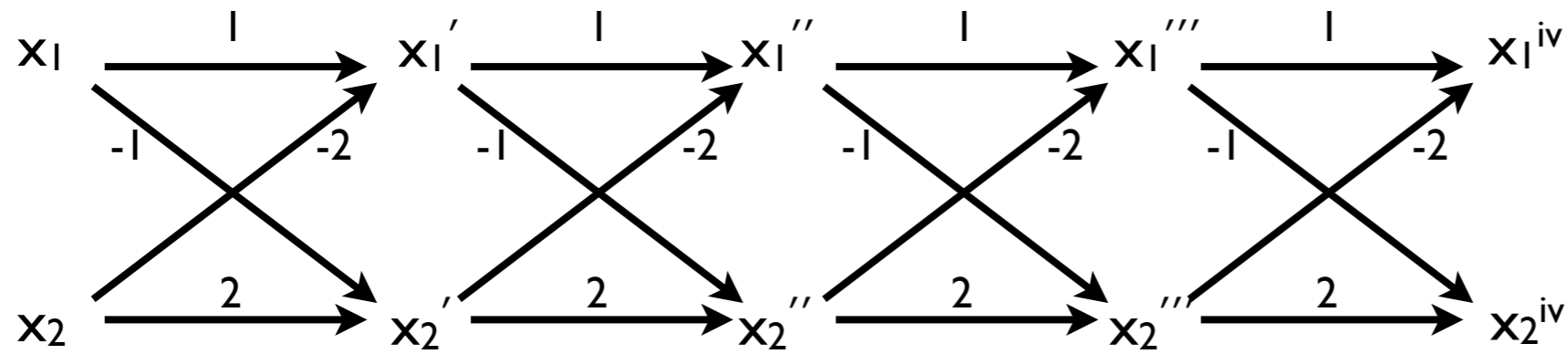
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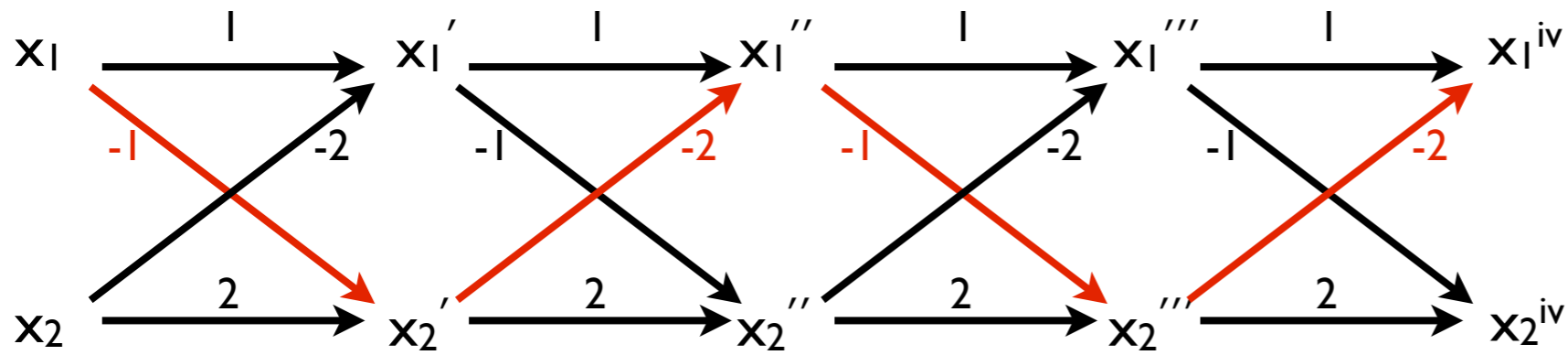
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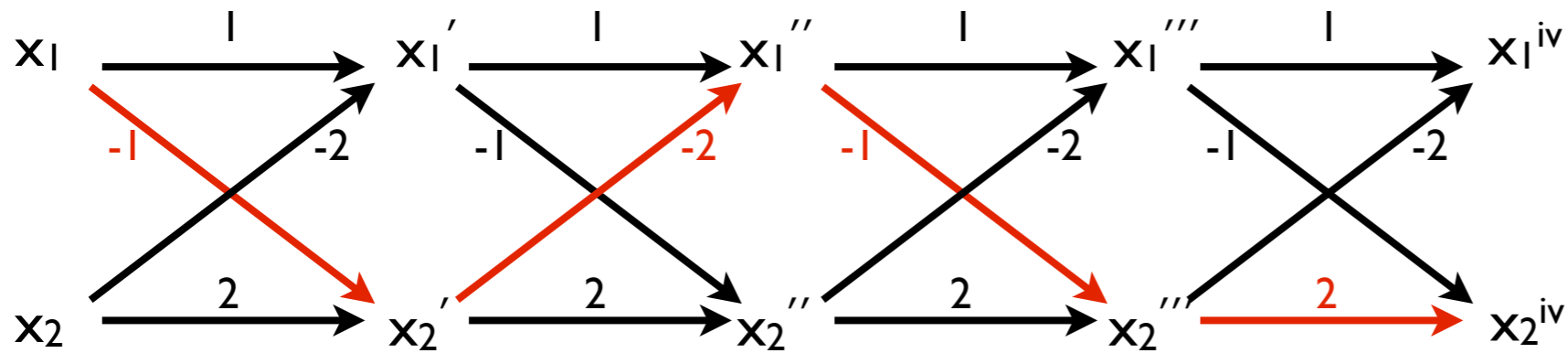


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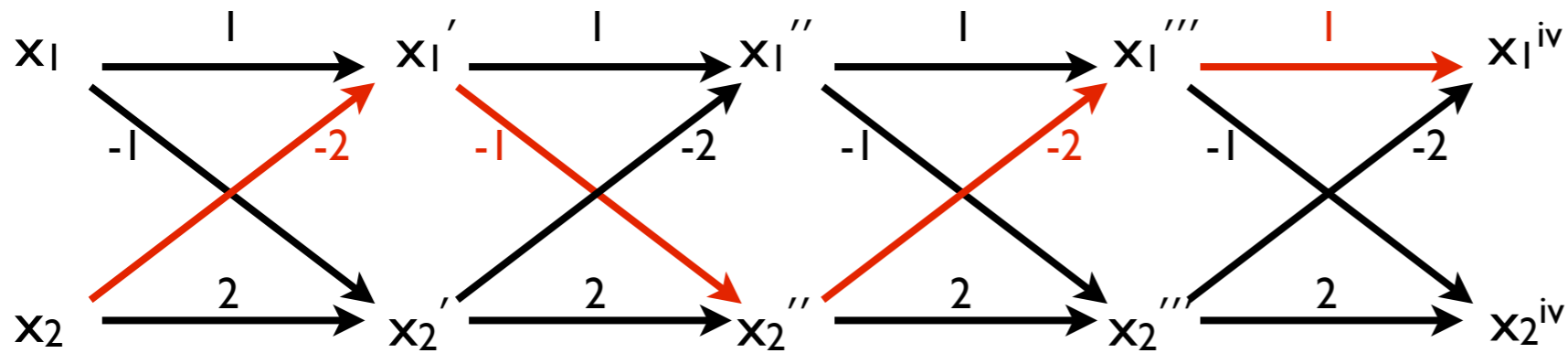
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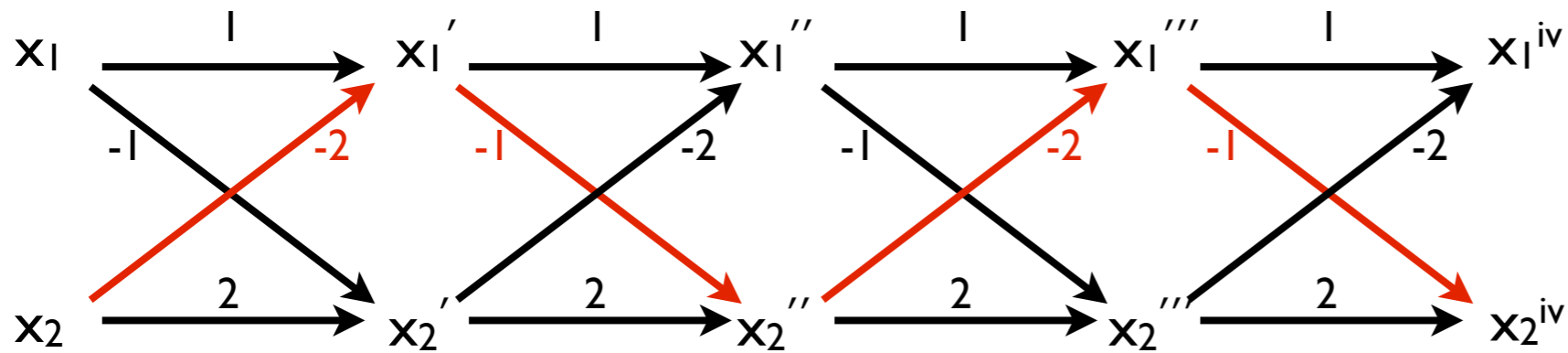


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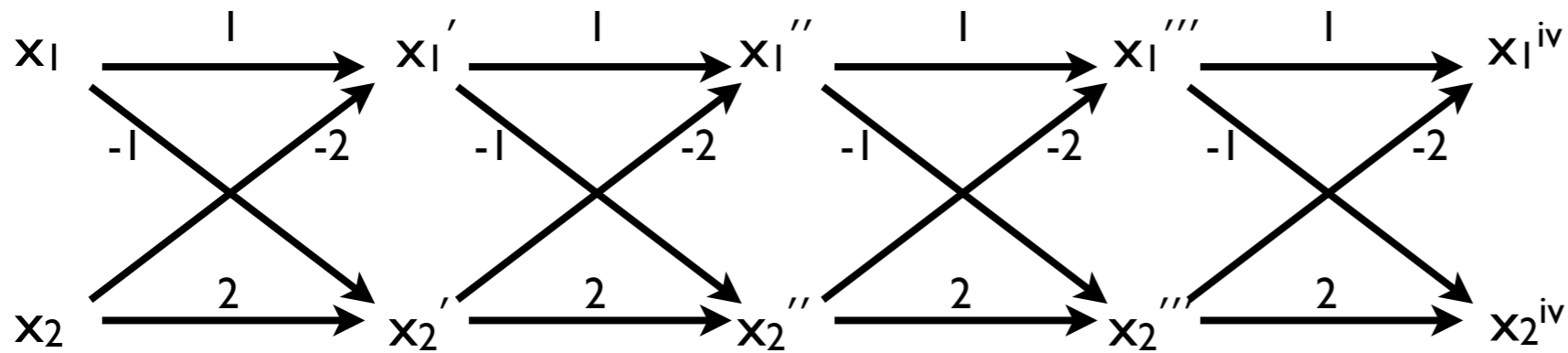
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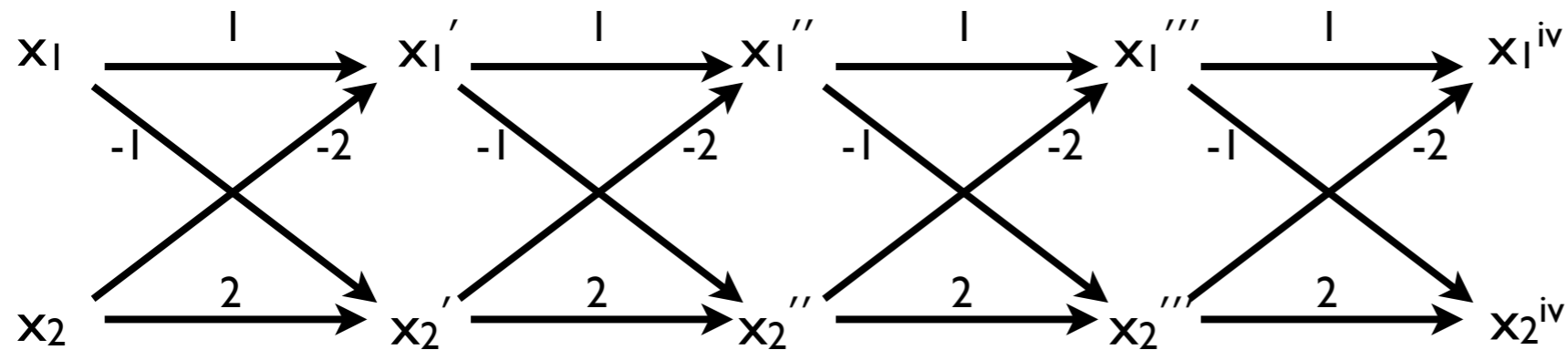
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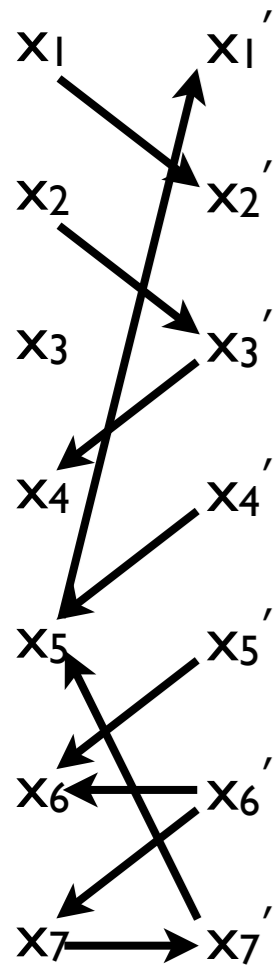
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- The n-th power of a DB relation is again a DB relation:
 - ➡ the class of DB has **quantifier elimination**
- We are interested in computing minimal weight paths
- The graph for the n-th power has $(n+1) \times (\#vars)$ nodes
- The paths in the graph are **regular**

Difference Bounds Relations



$$x_1 - x_2' \leq 0$$

$$x_2 - x_3' \leq 0$$

$$x_3' - x_2 \leq 0$$

$$x_4' - x_5 \leq 0$$

$$x_5' - x_6 \leq 0$$

$$x_6' - x_6 \leq 1$$

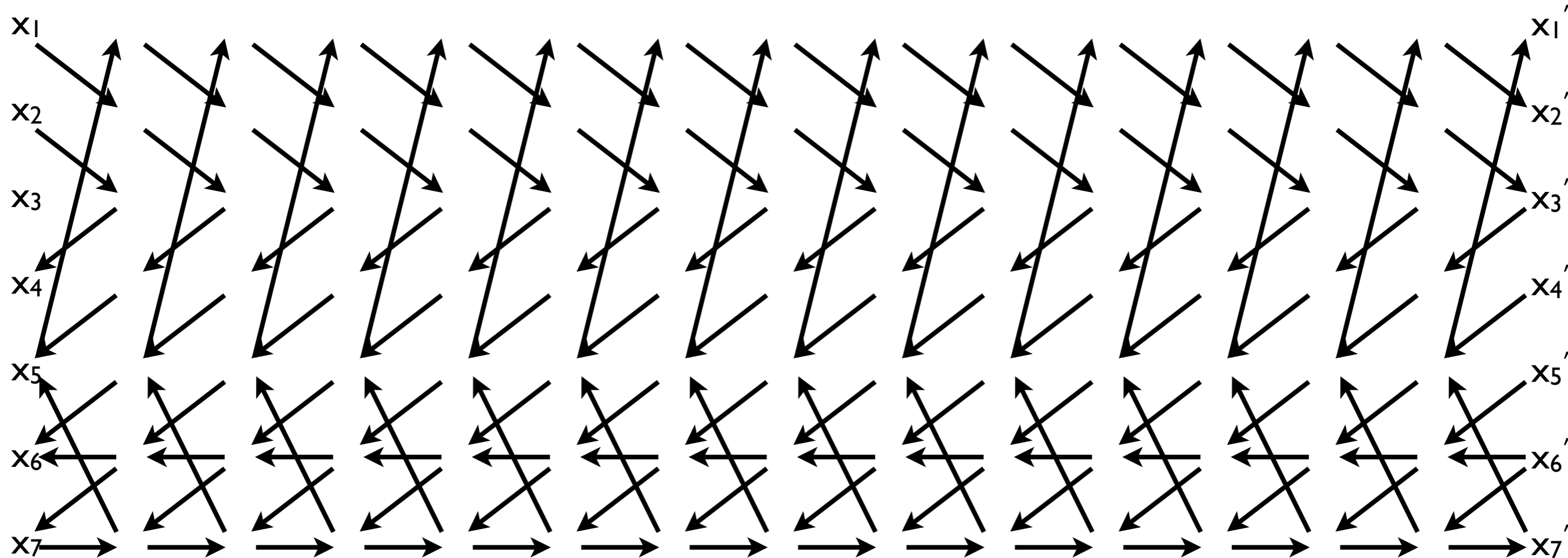
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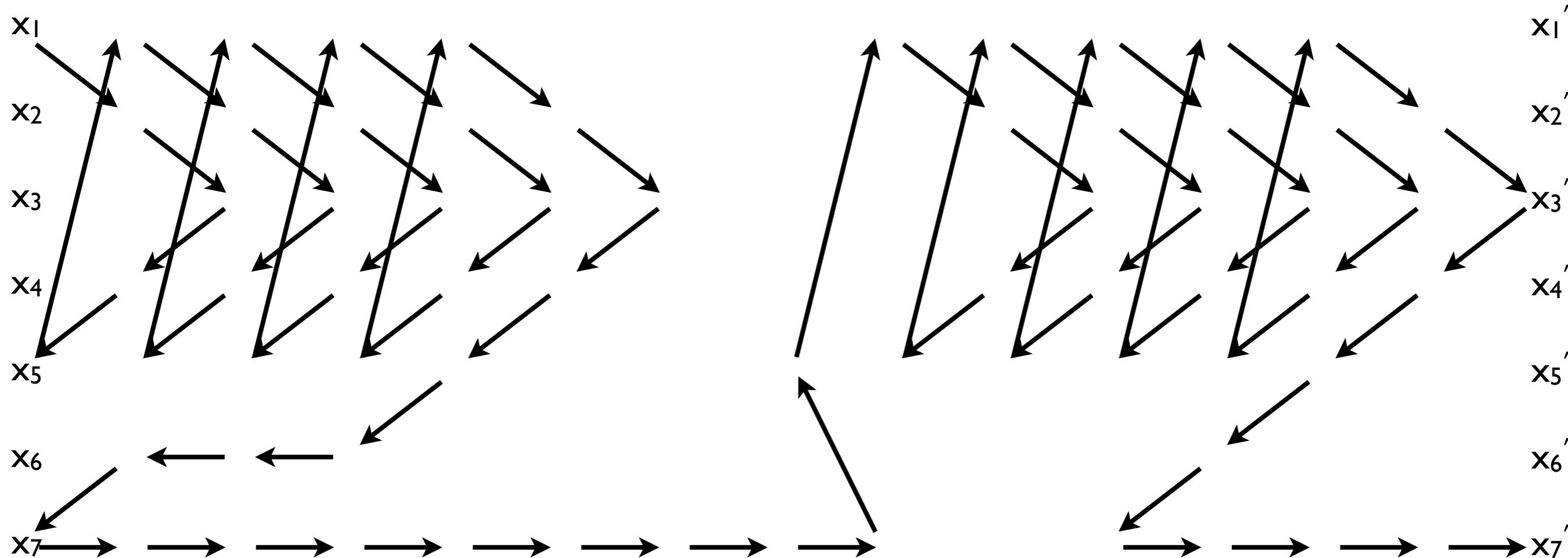
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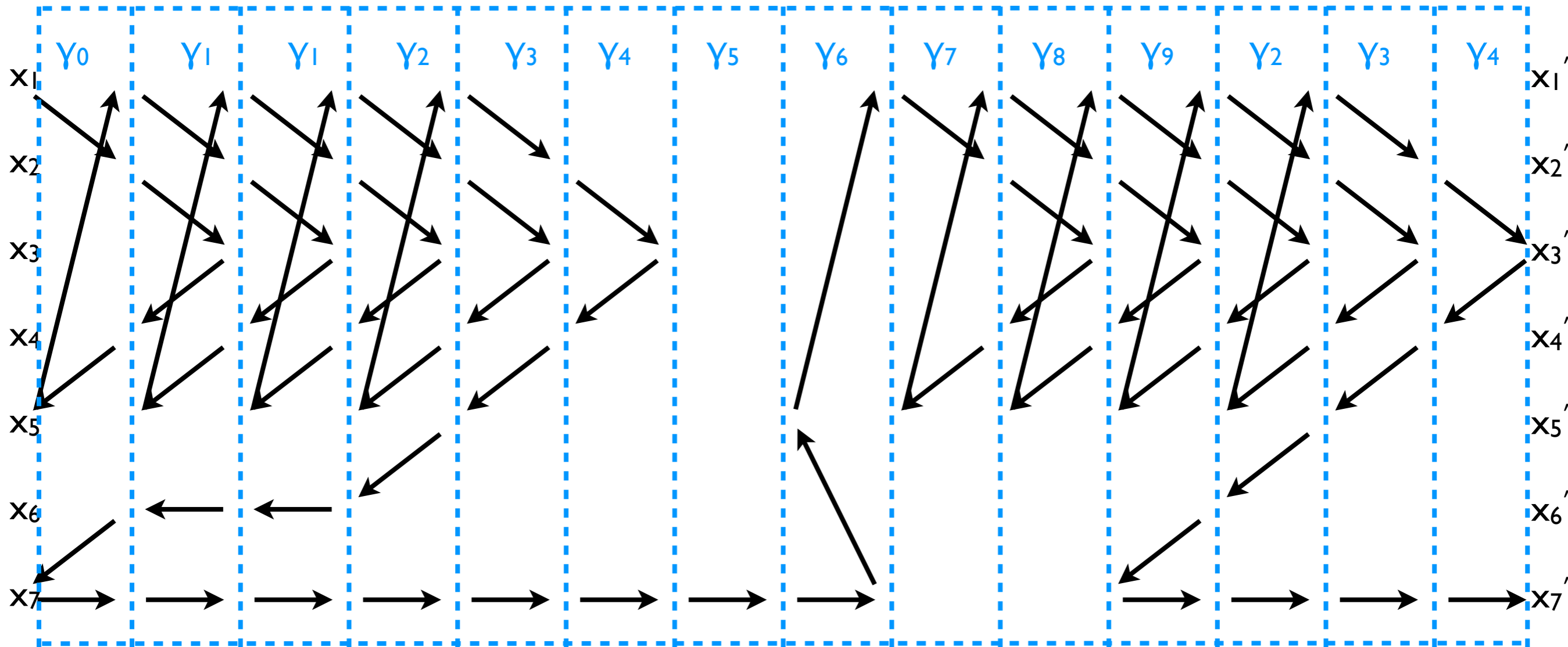
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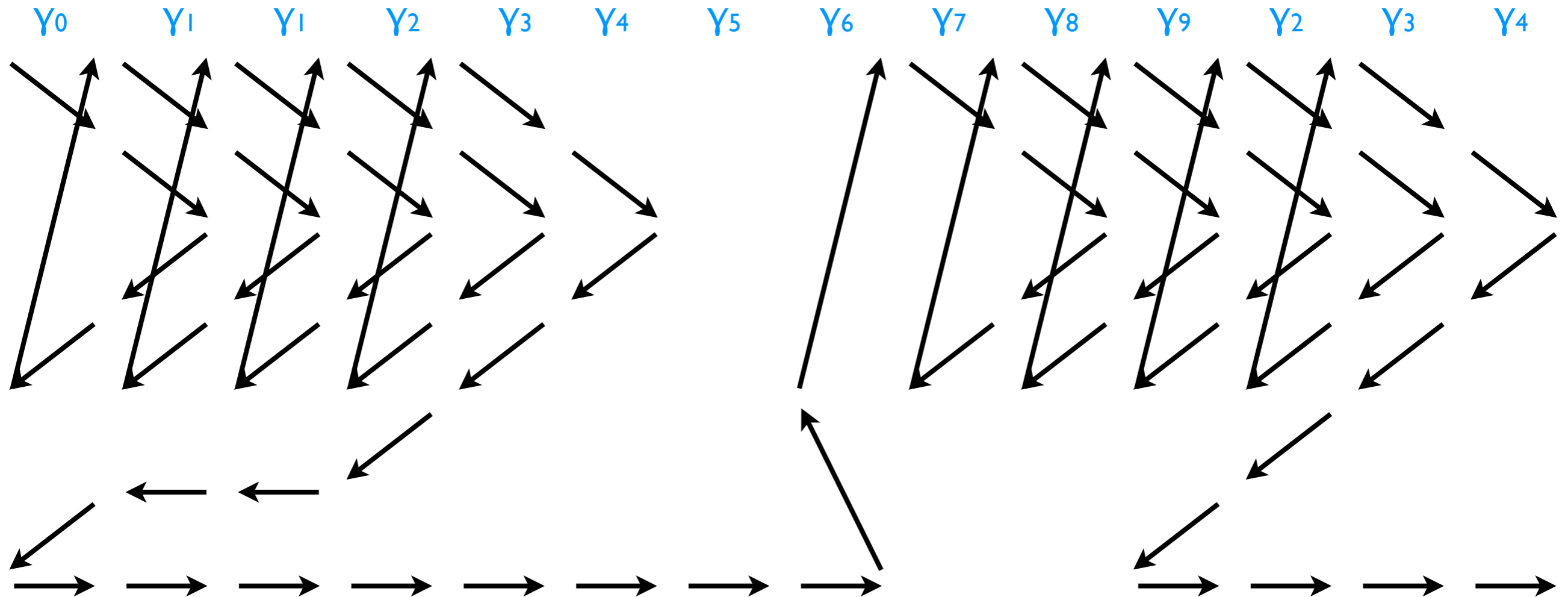
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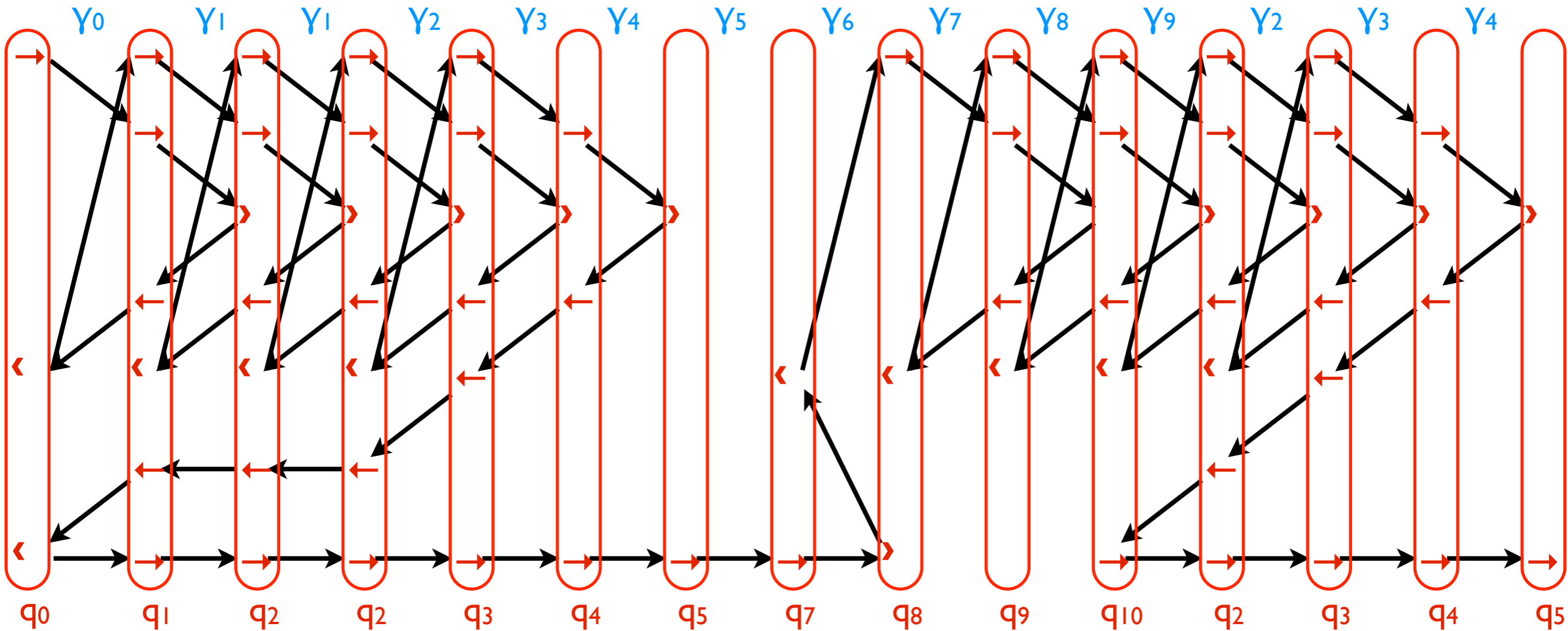
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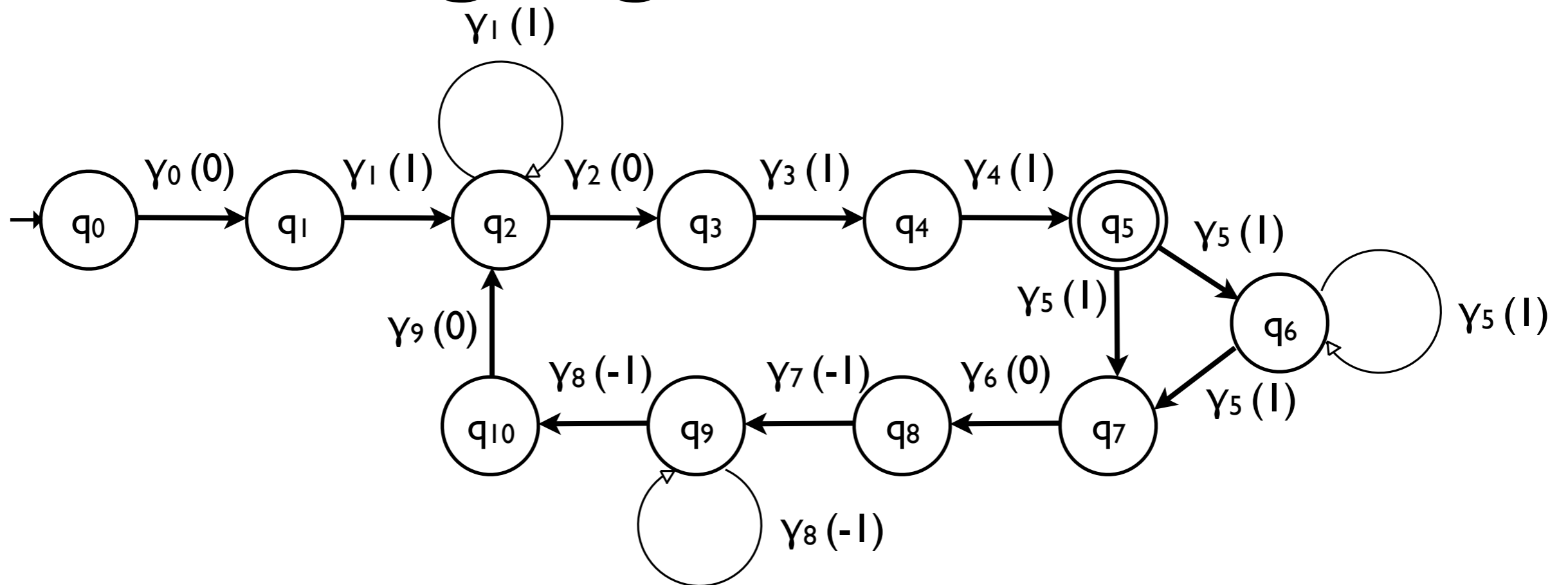
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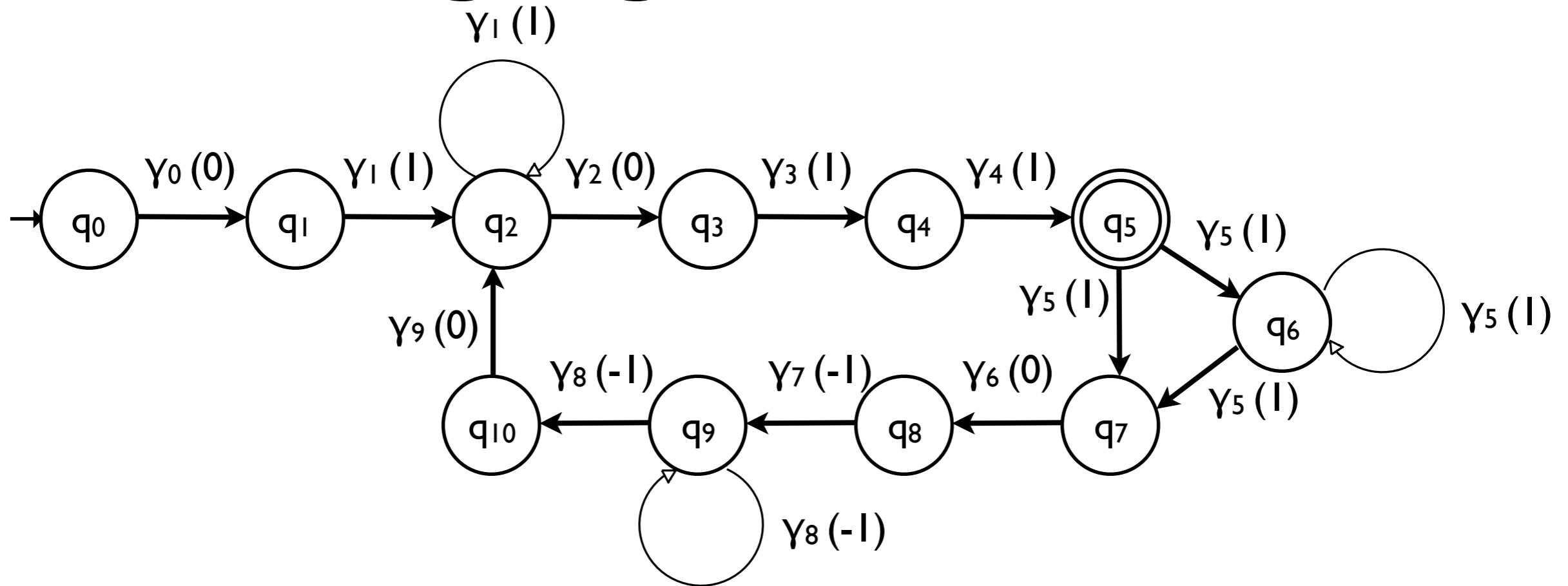
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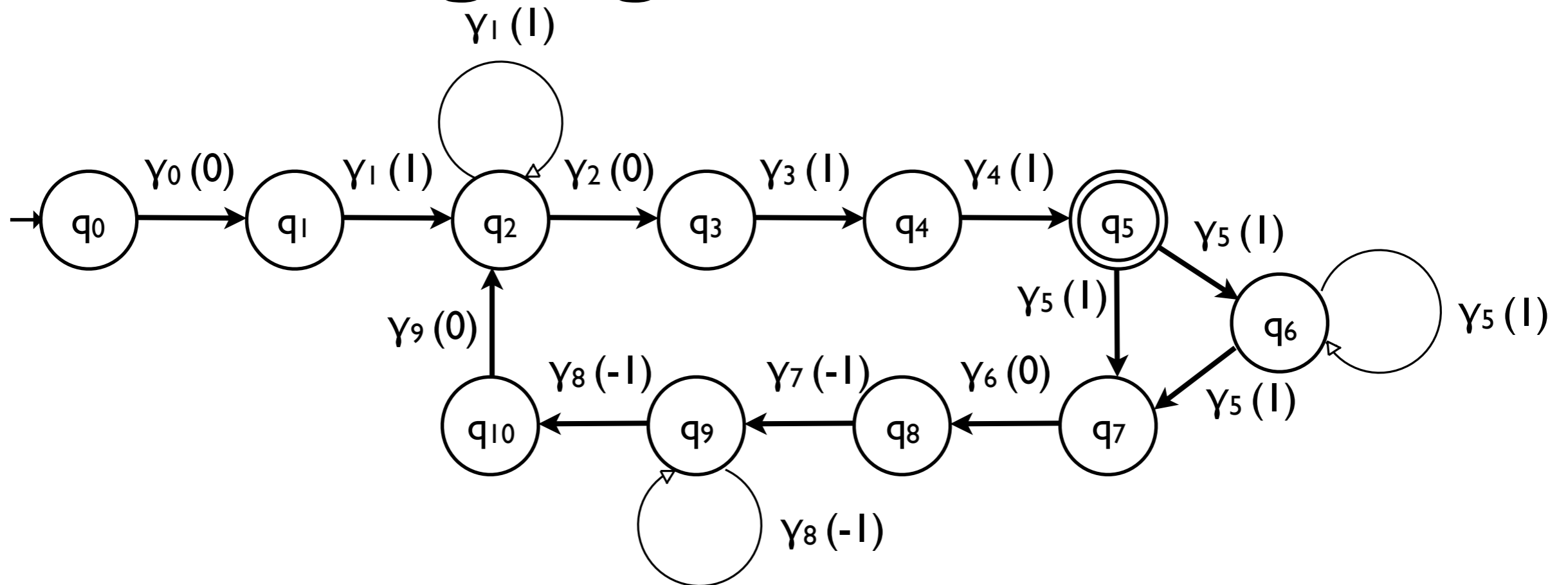


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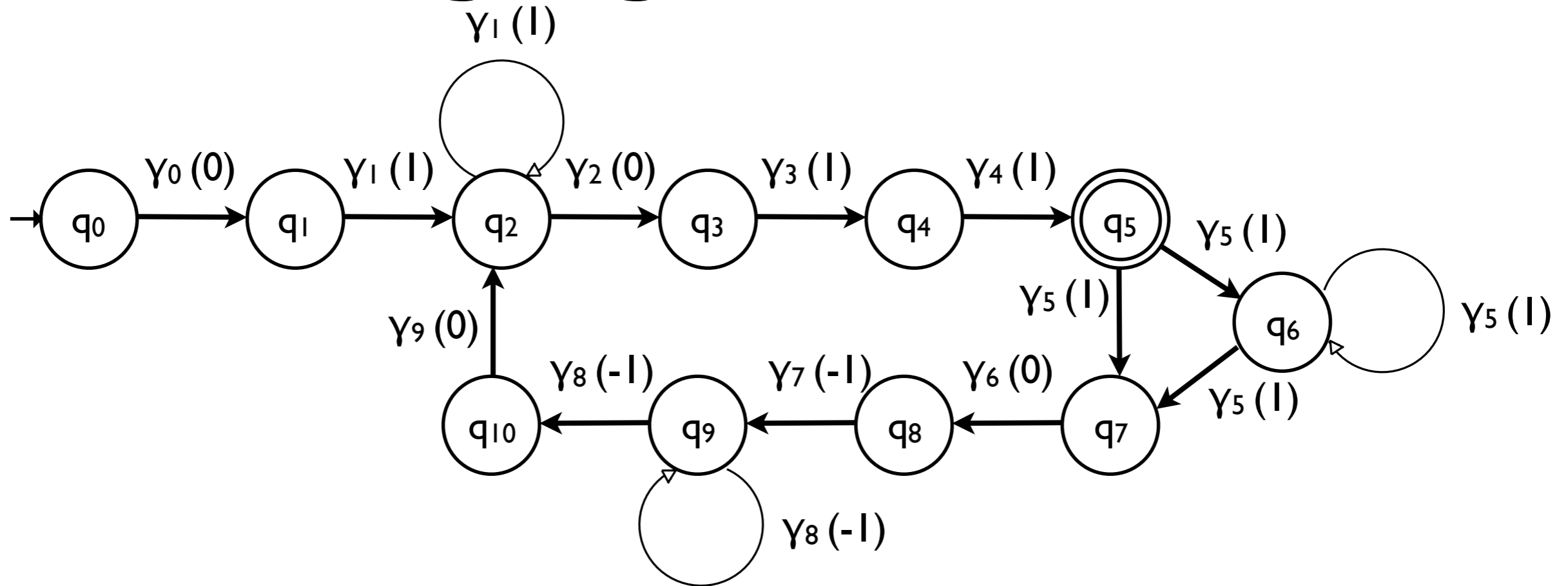


- All paths in the n -th unfolding of the constraint graph are encoded as runs of **weighted automata** [BIL'06]
- Minimal weight paths become **minimal weight runs**

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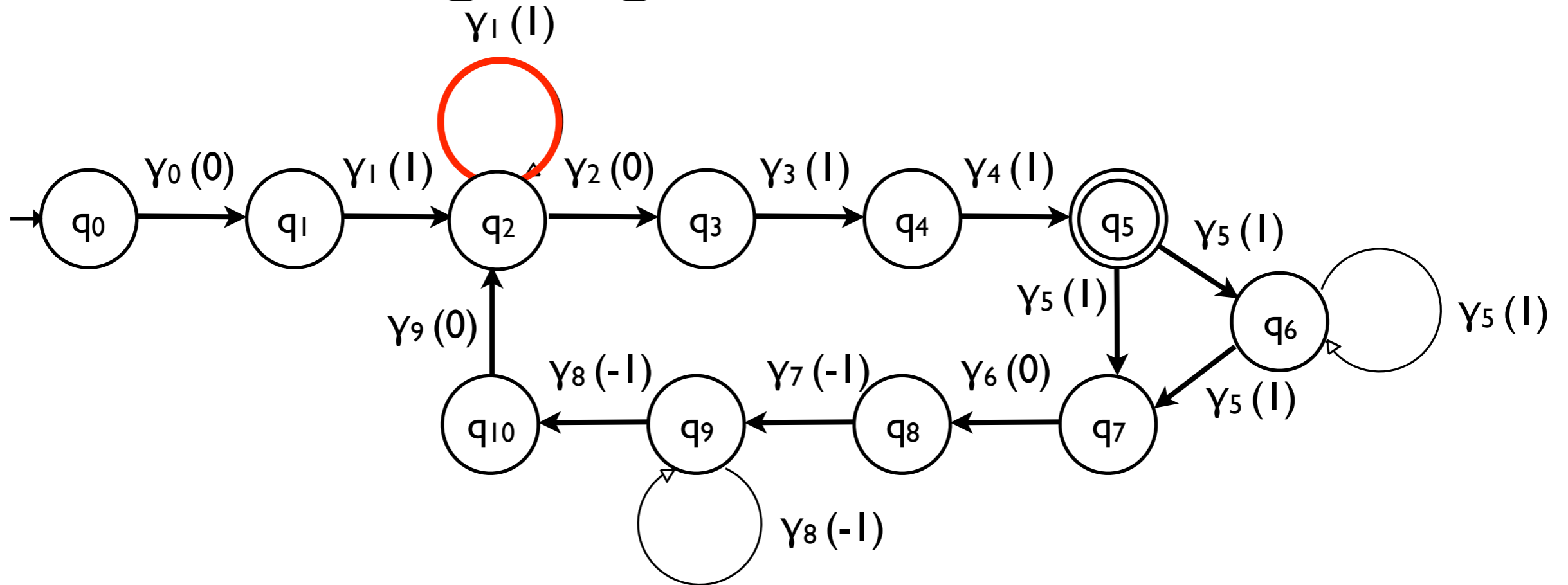
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- We compute a function on the automaton:

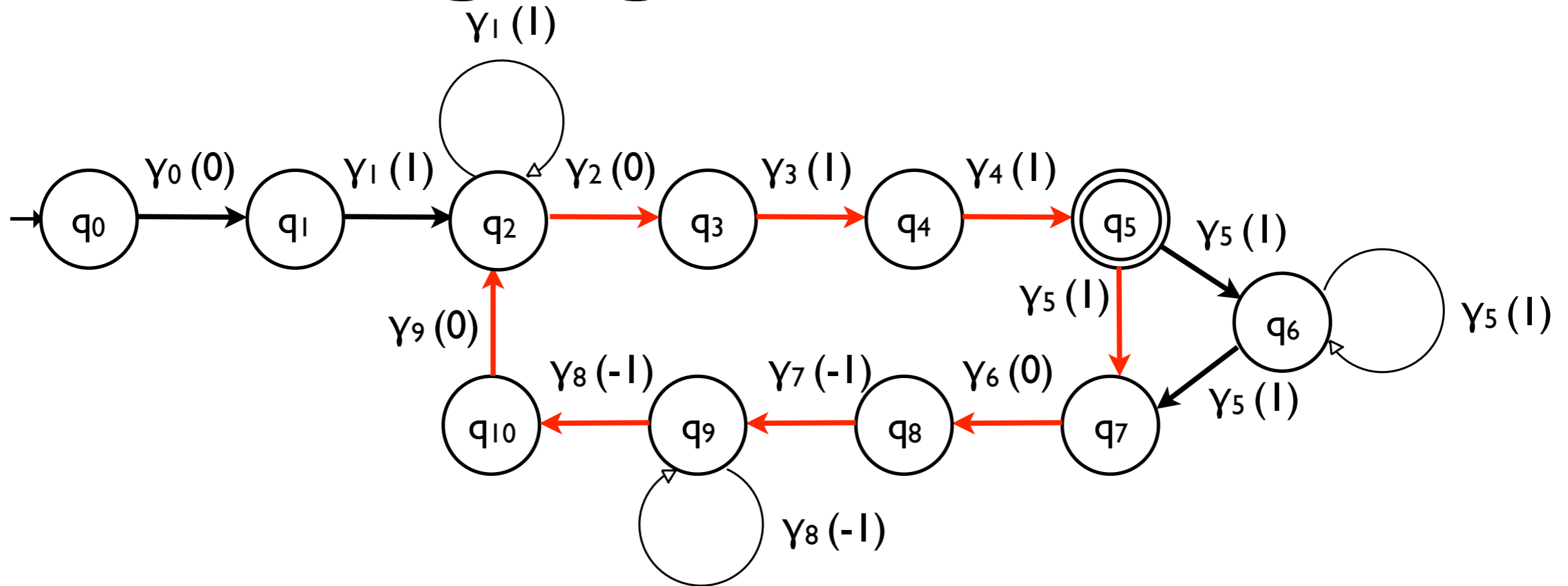
$$\min_weight_A(n) = \min\{\omega(\rho) \mid \rho \text{ is a run of } A, |\rho|=n\}$$
- Minimal weight functions are **periodic** [deSchutter'00]
 ➔ minimal weight runs iterate through **critical cycles**

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$$\omega(\gamma_i^*) = \omega(\gamma_i) / |\gamma_i| = 1$$

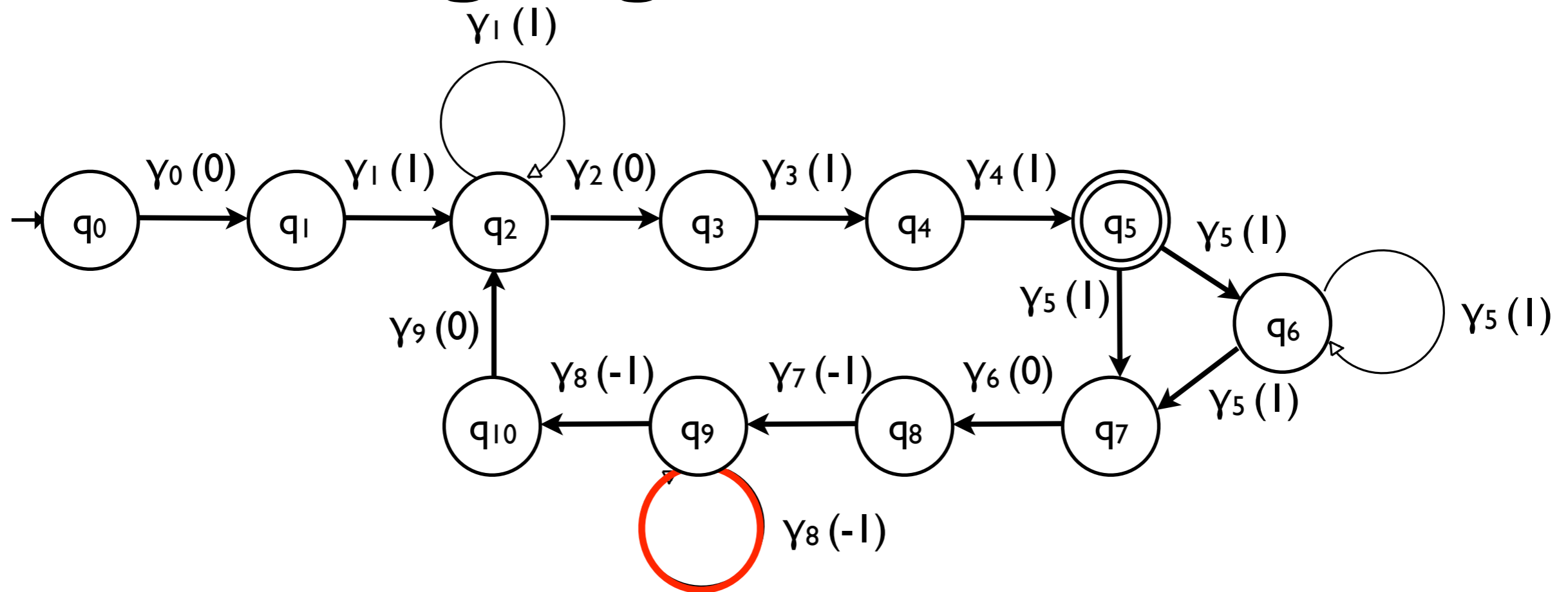
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$$\varpi(Y_1^*) = \omega(Y_1) / |Y_1| = 1$$

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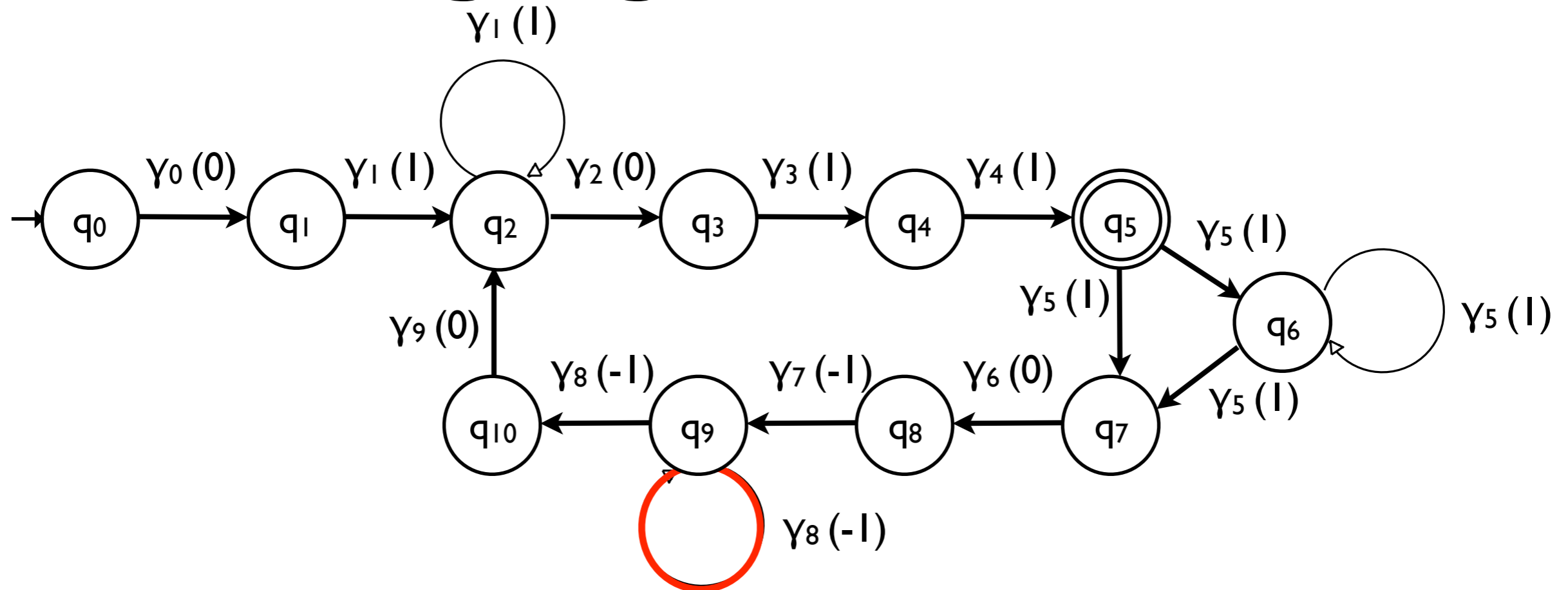


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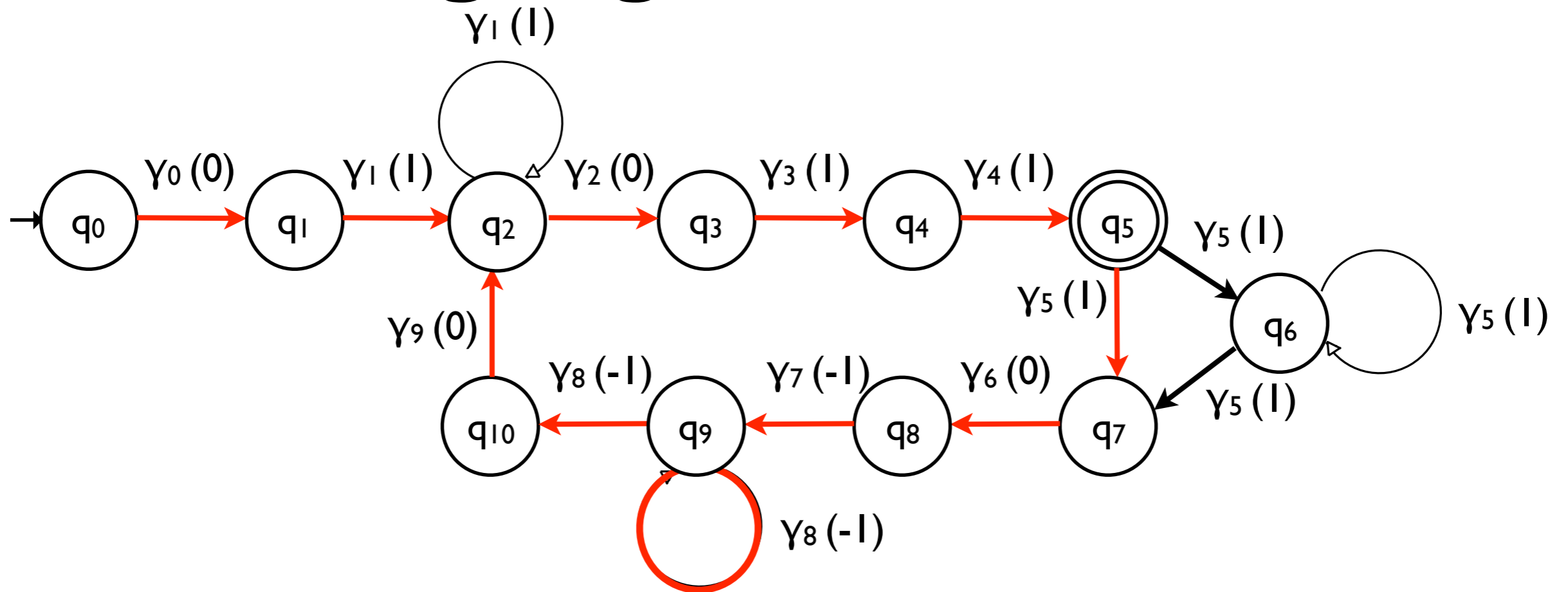
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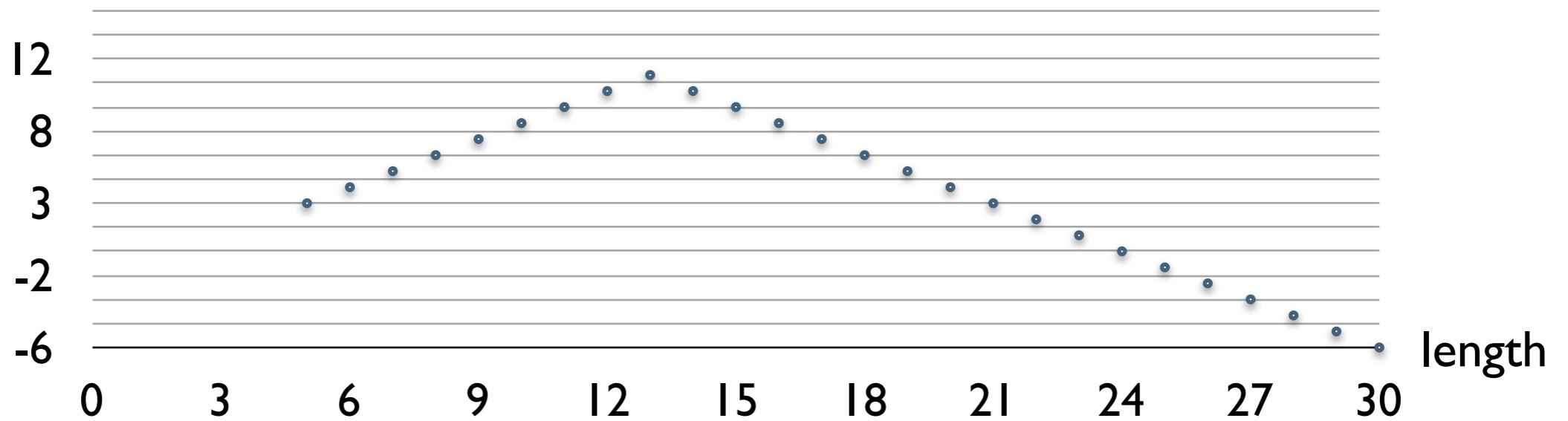
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γ_8^* is a critical cycle in its SCC

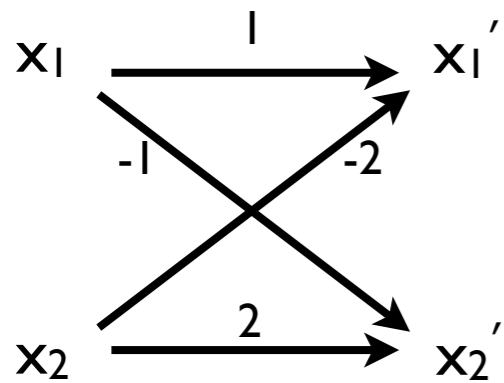
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min weight

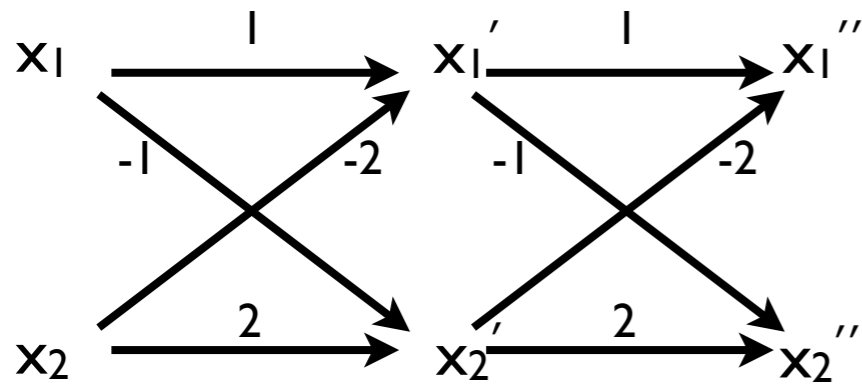


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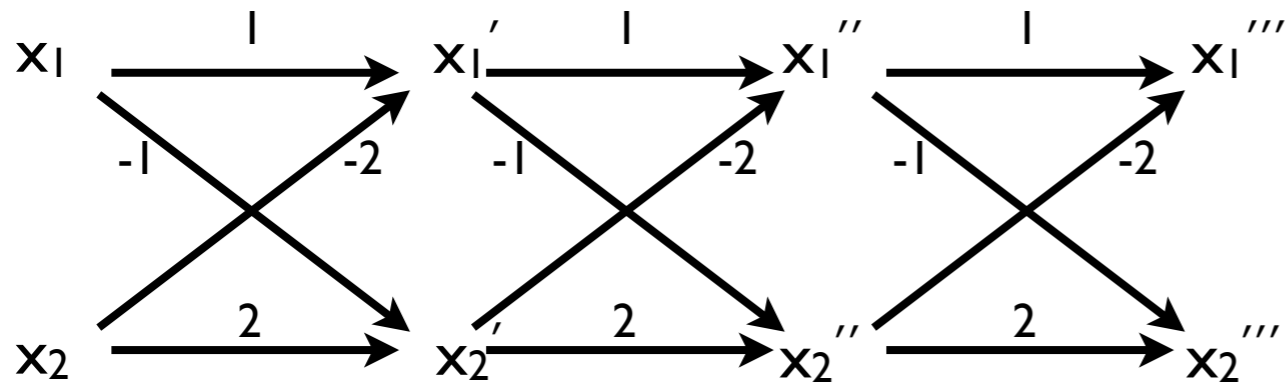
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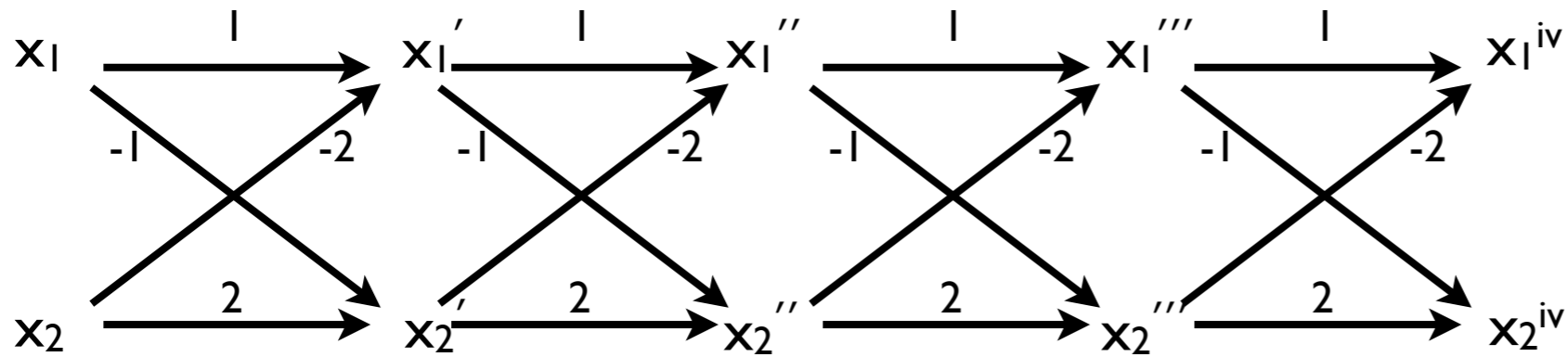
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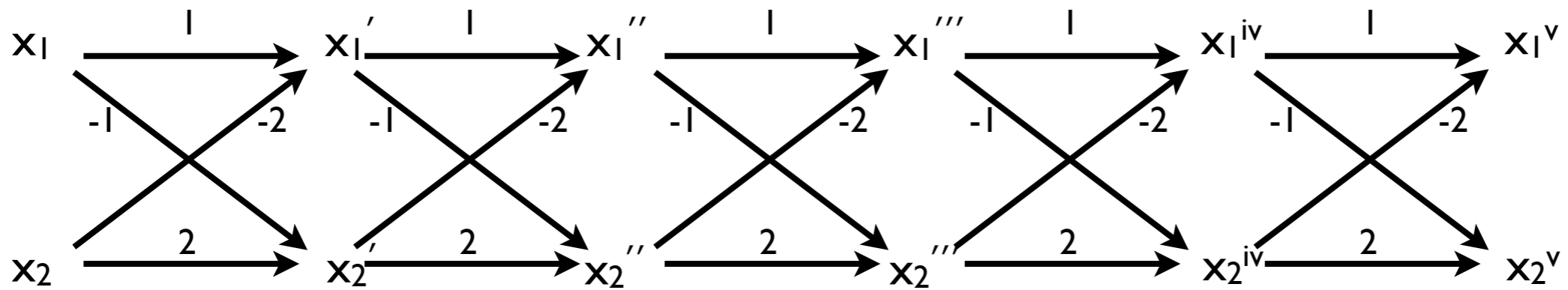
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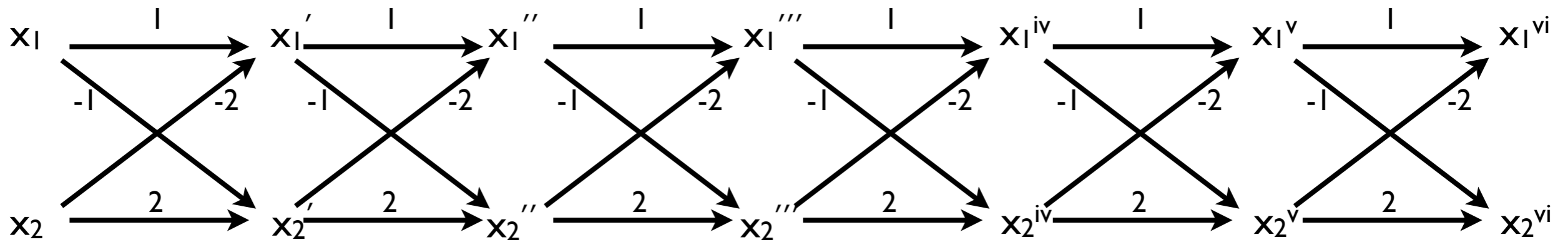
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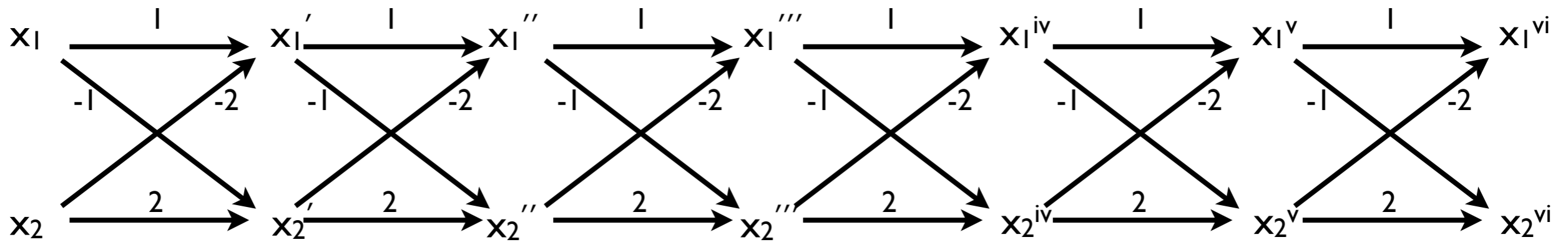
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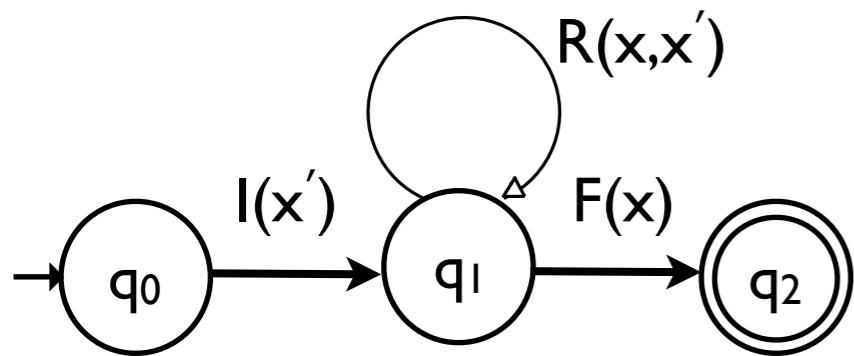
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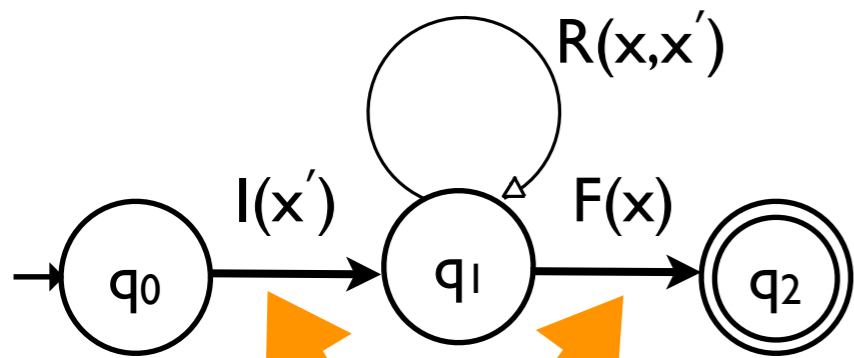
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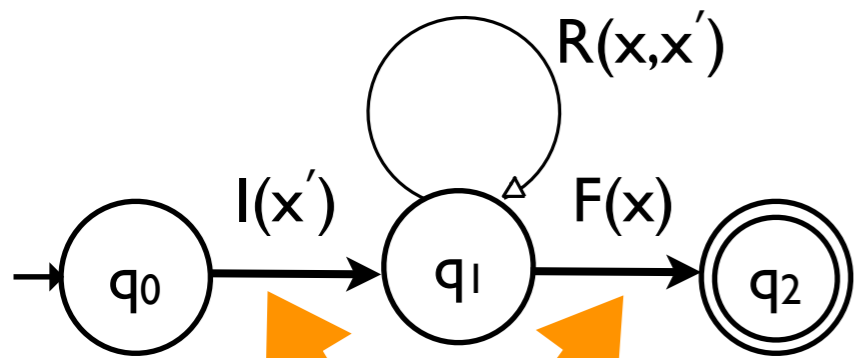


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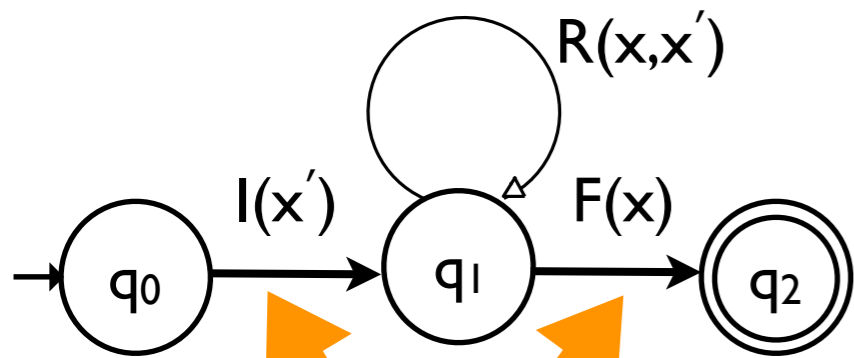


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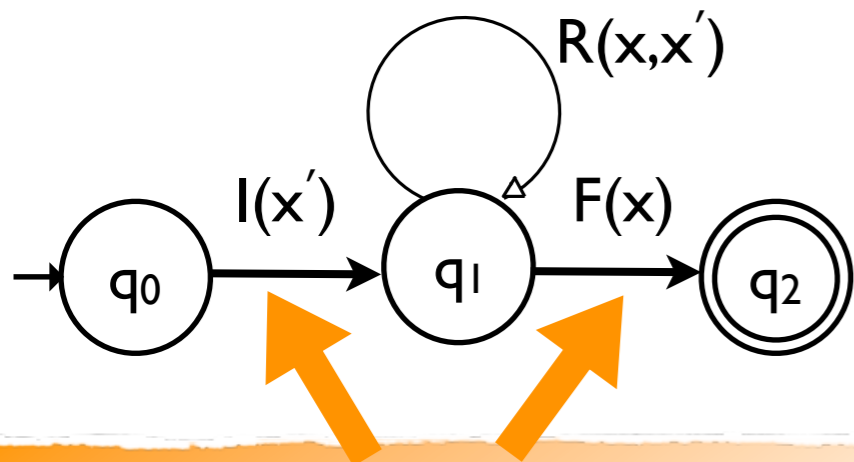
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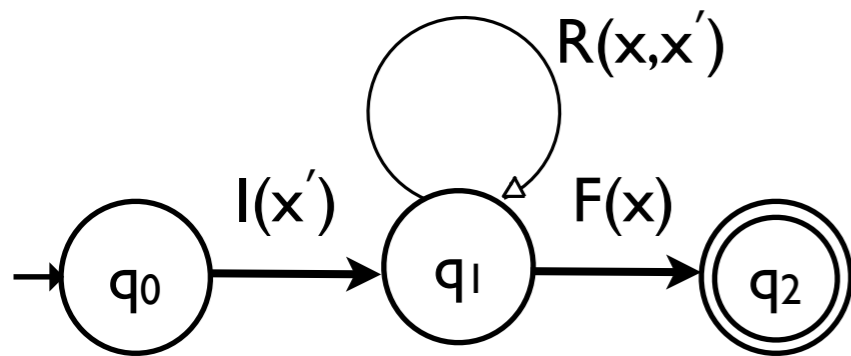
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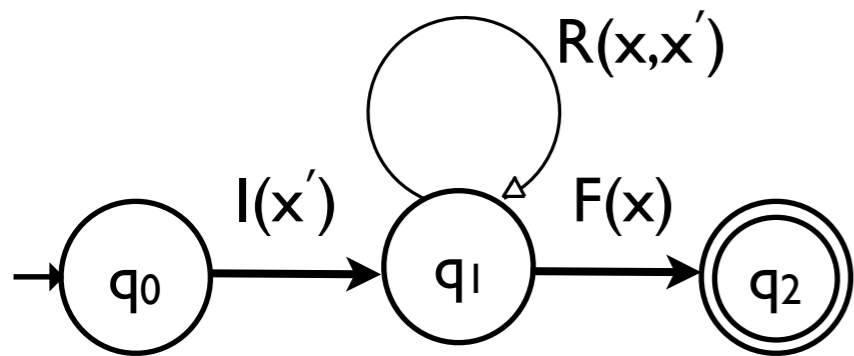
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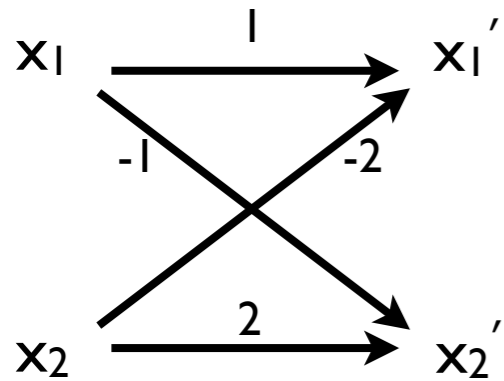
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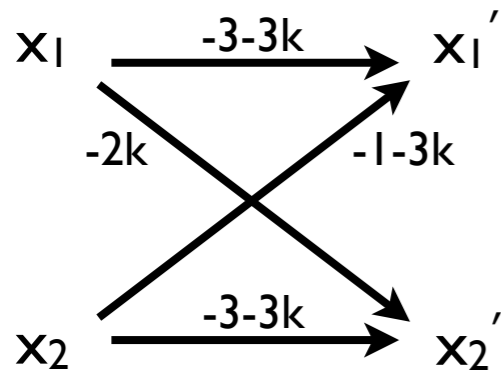
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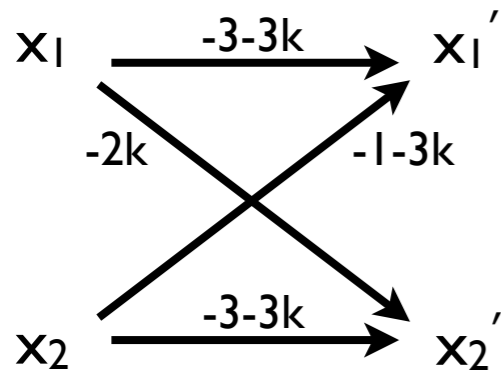
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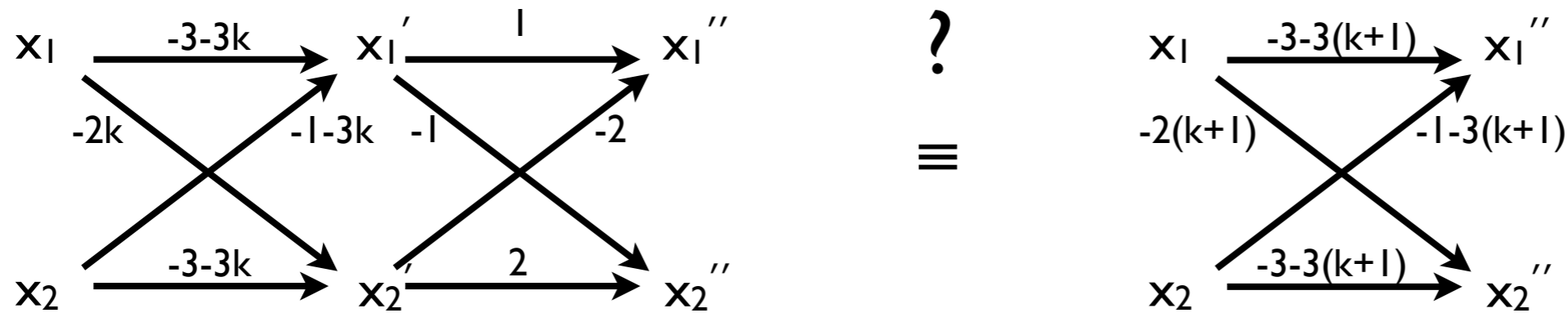
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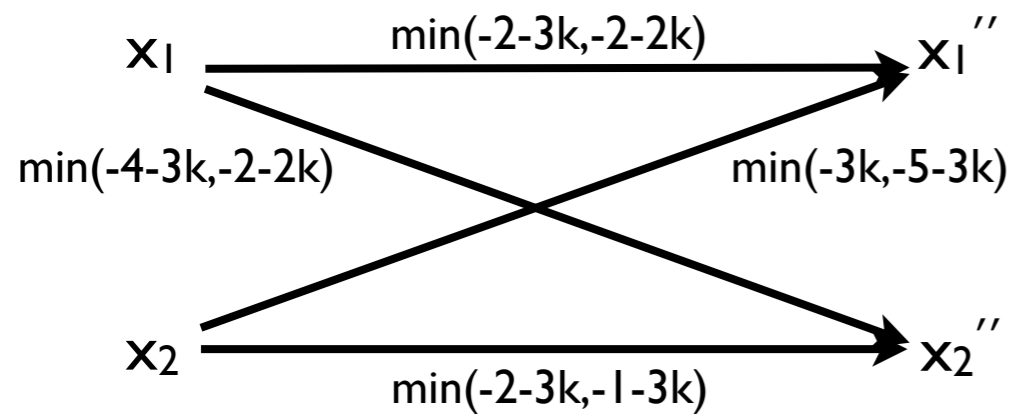
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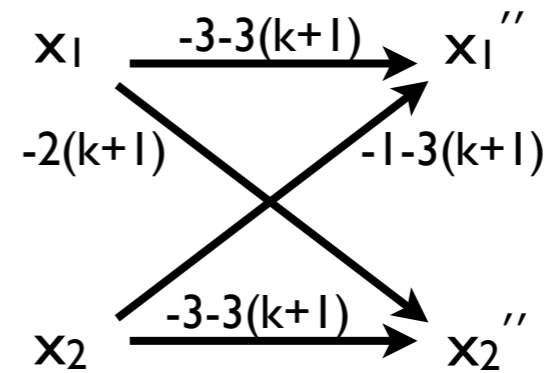
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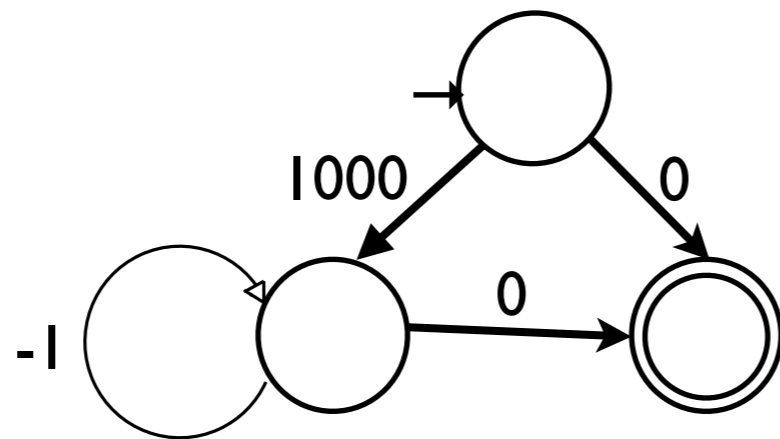
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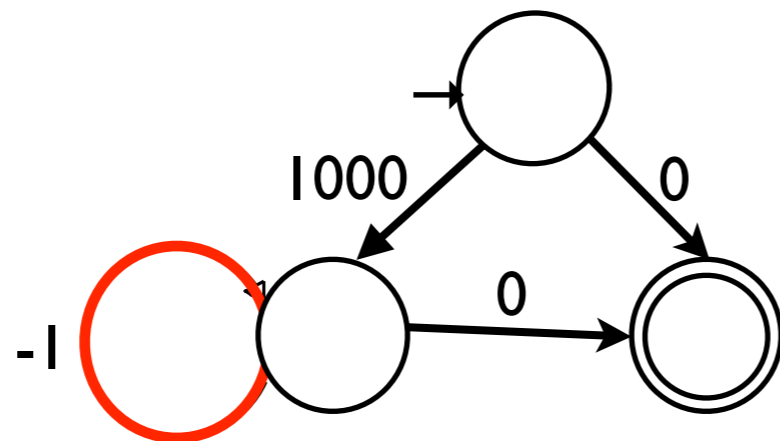
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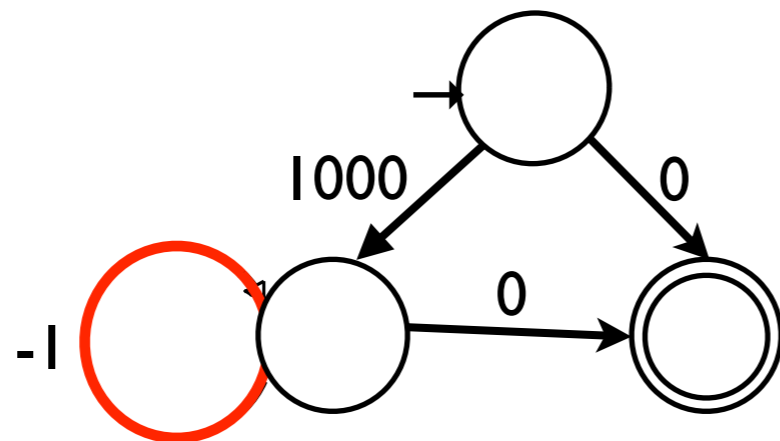
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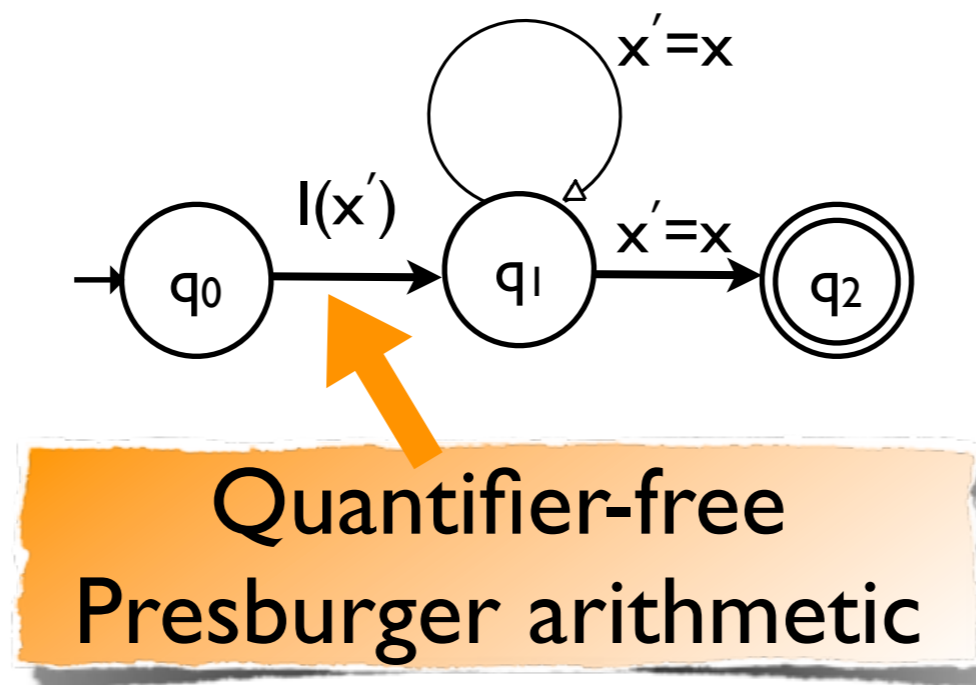
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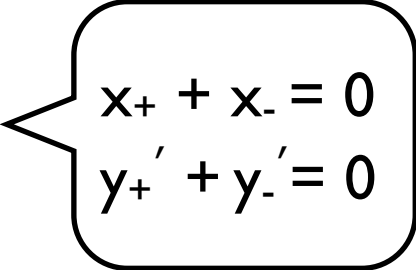
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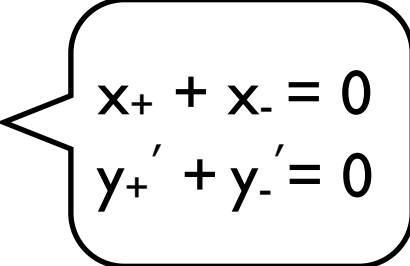
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