

EXPRESSIVE POWER OF RECURRENT NEURAL NETWORKS OVER INFINITE INPUT STREAMS

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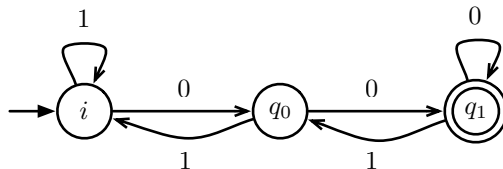
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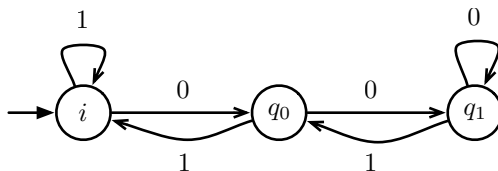
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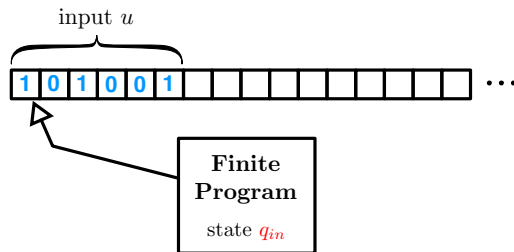


$$\mathcal{T} = \{\{q_0, q_1\}, \{q_1\}\}$$

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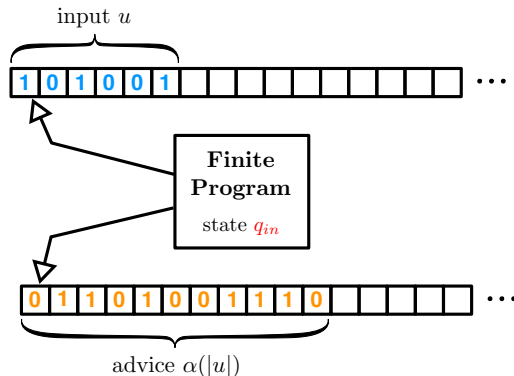
A *Turing machine* (TM) consists of an infinite tape, a read-write head, and a finite program.



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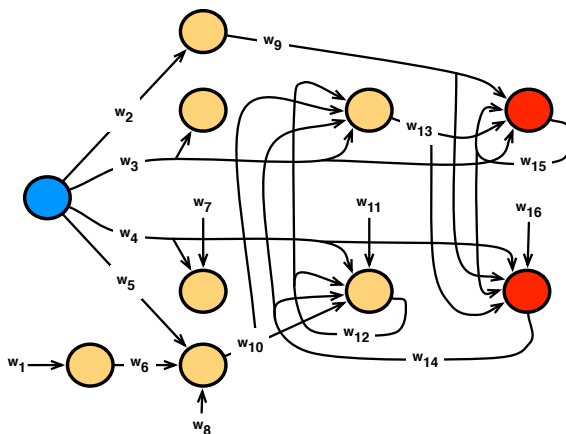
TURING MACHINE WITH ADVICE

A *Turing machine with advice* (TM/A) is a TM provided with an additional advice tape and advice function $\alpha : \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$.

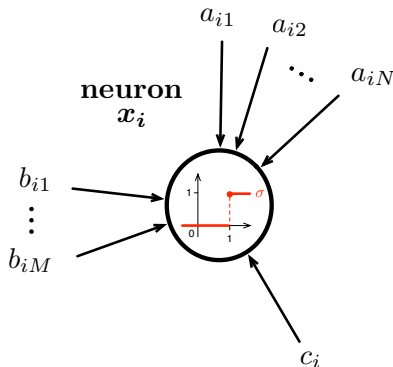


- **P/poly** is the class of languages recognized in polynomial time by Turing machines with polynomial advices (TM/poly(A)).

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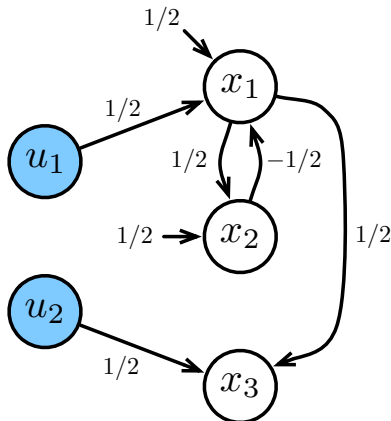


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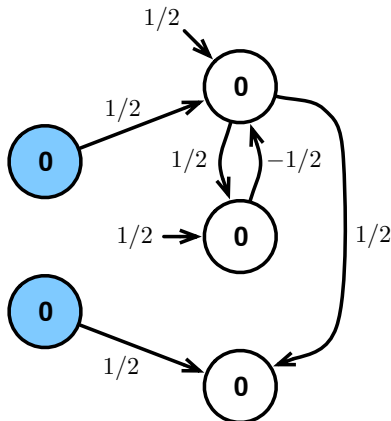


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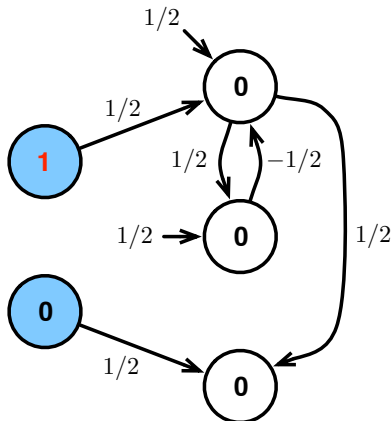
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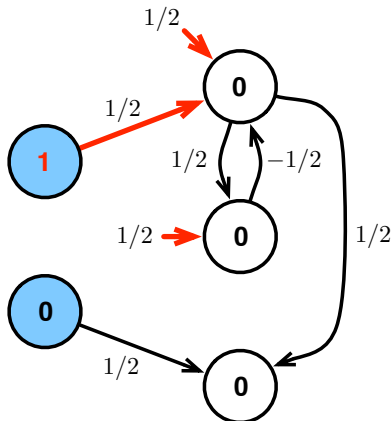
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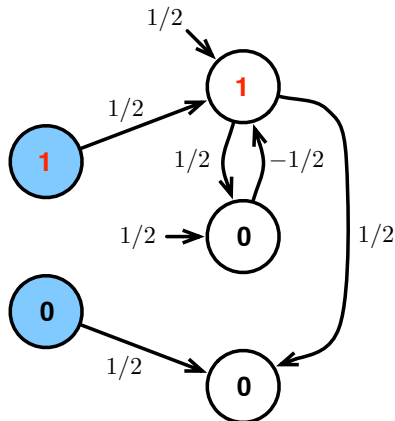
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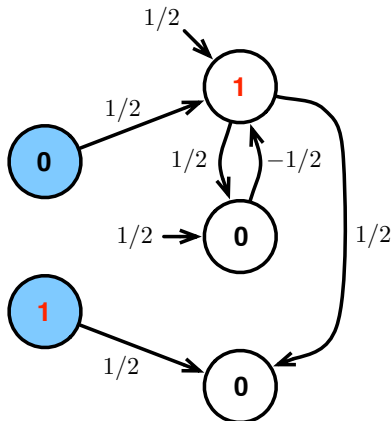
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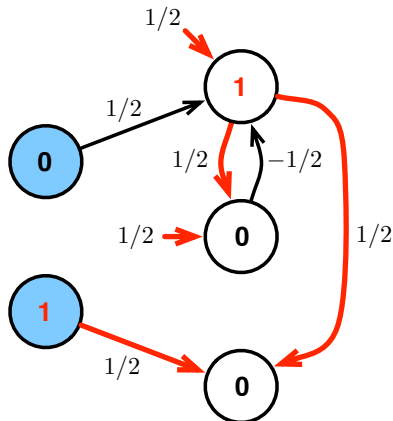
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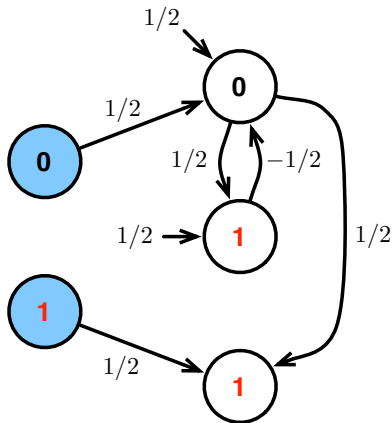
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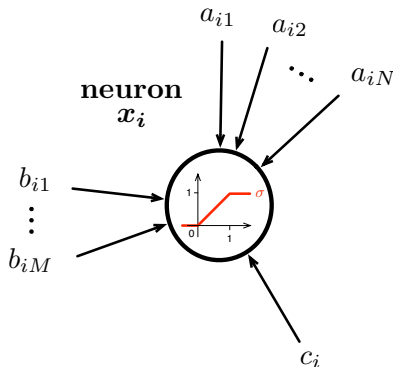
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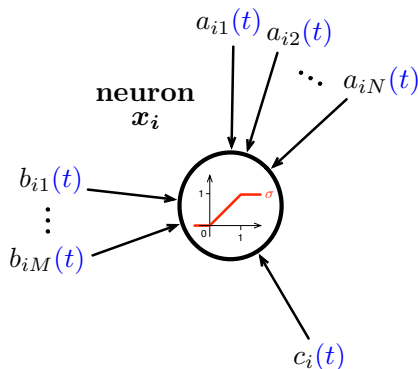


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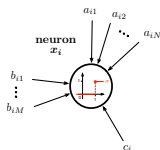
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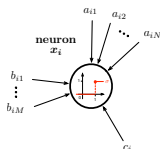


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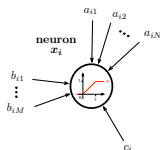


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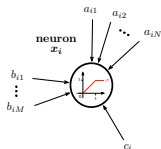


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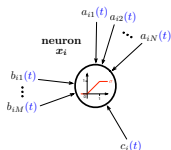


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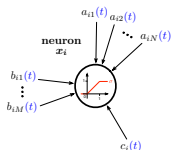


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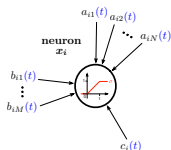


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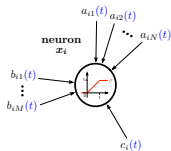


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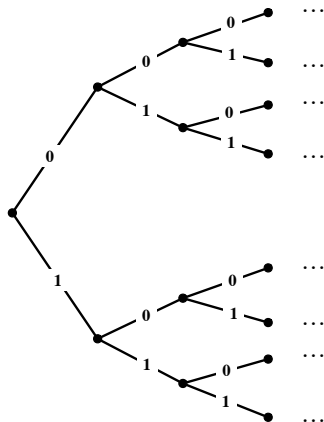
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RESULTS (CLASSICAL COMPUTATION)

	BOOLEAN	STATIC	BI-VALUED	EVOLVING	EVOLVING
\mathbb{Q}	FSA	TM	TM/poly(A)	TM/poly(A)	
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TOPOLOGY

The Cantor space $\{0, 1\}^\omega$
the set of infinite sequences of bits



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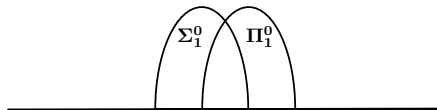
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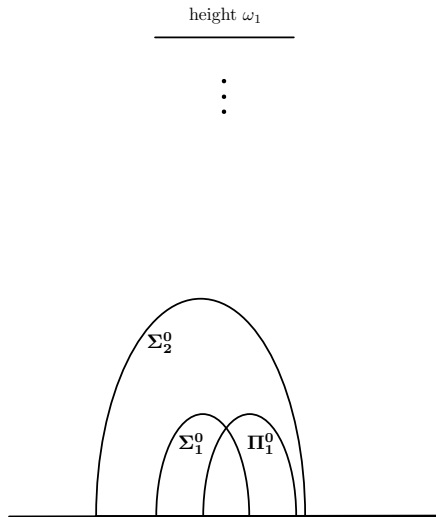
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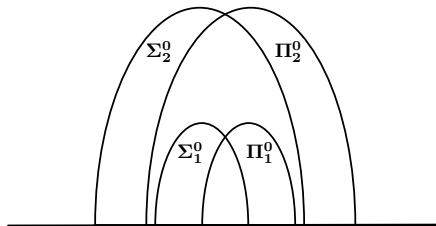
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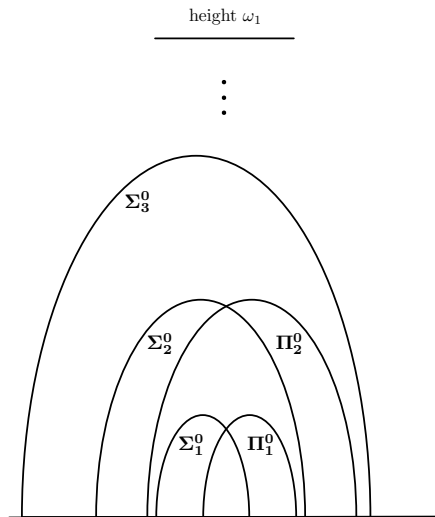
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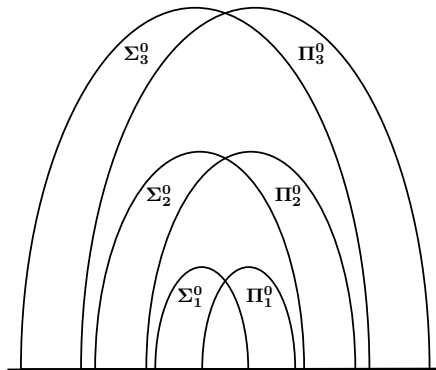
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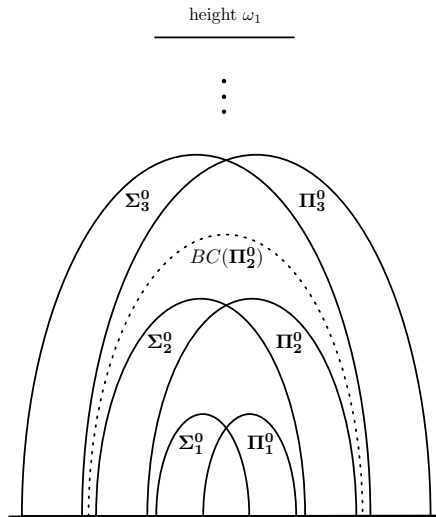
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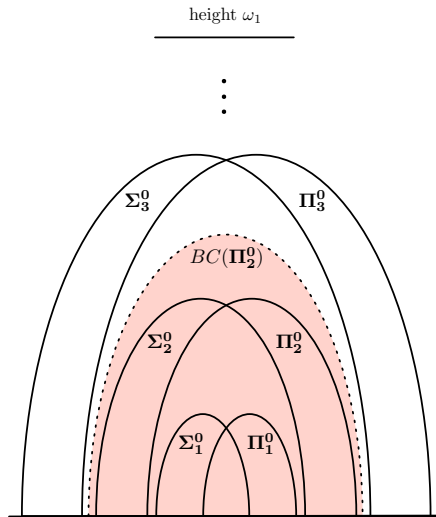
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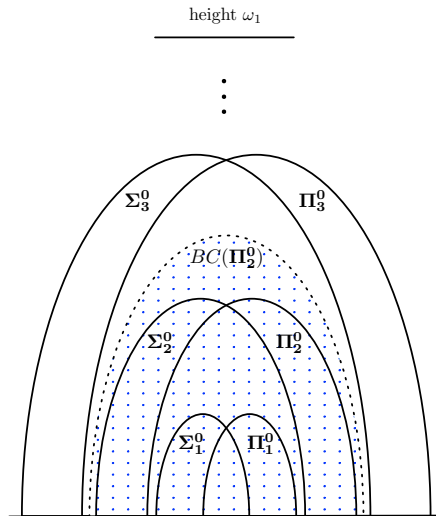


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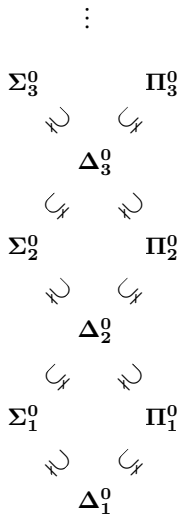


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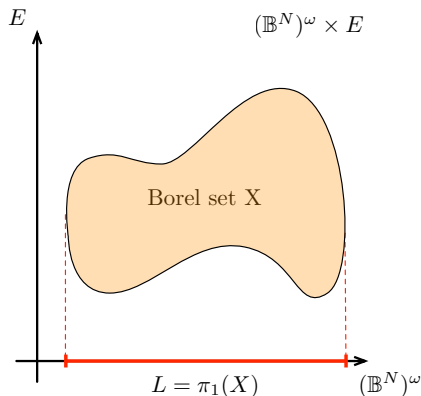


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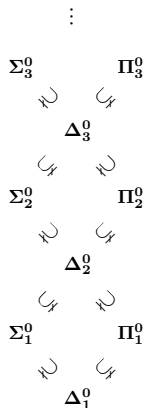


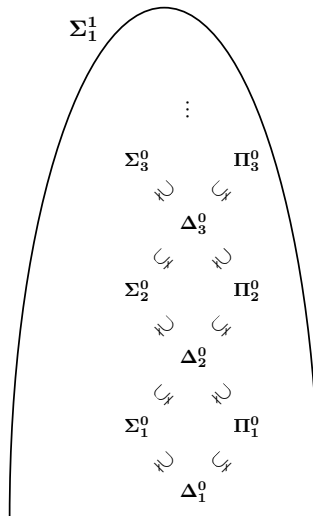
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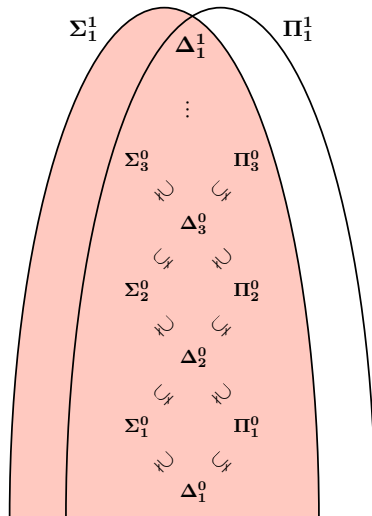
- An ω -language $L \subseteq (\mathbb{B}^N)^\omega$ is *analytic* (Σ_1^1) iff it is the first projection of some Borel set $X \subseteq (\mathbb{B}^N)^\omega \times E$, where E is a Polish space.

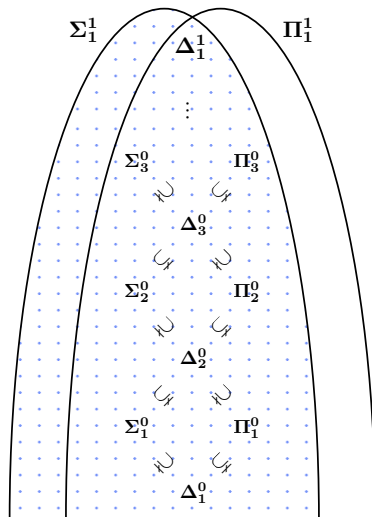


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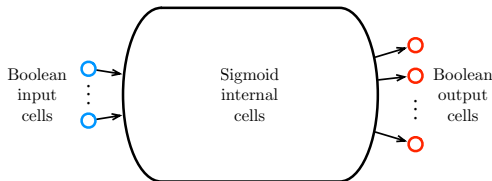






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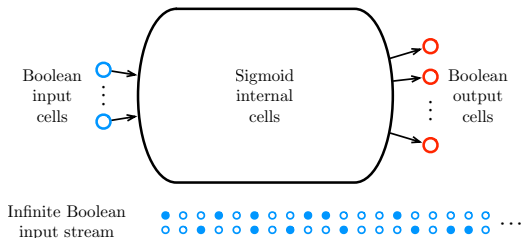
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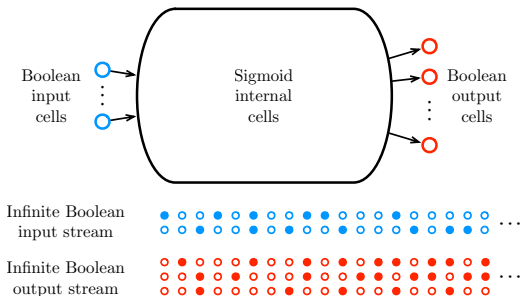
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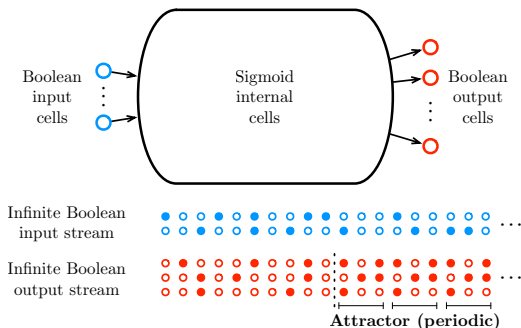
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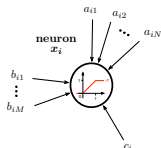
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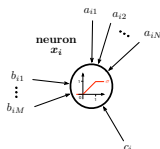


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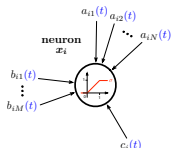


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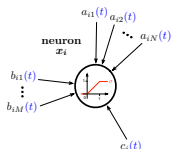


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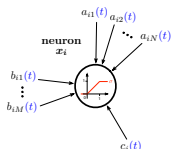


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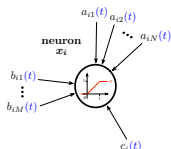


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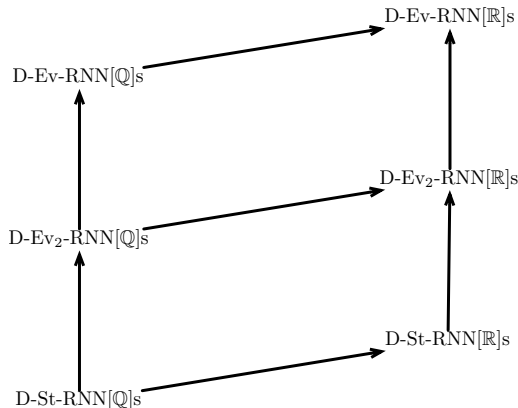
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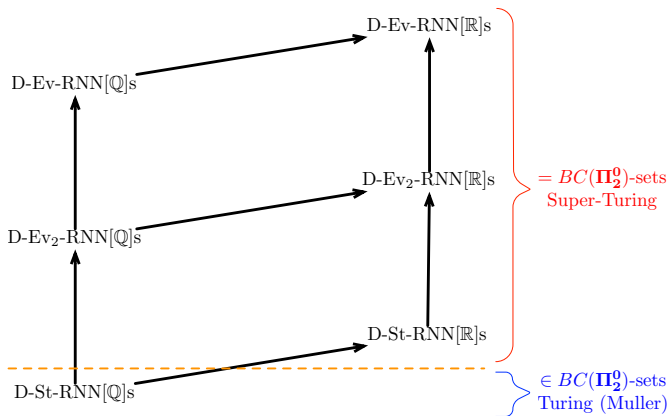
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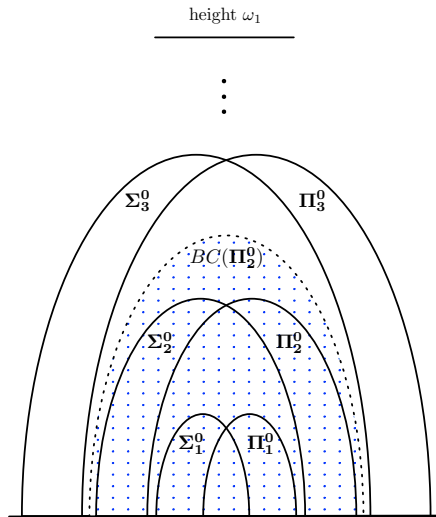
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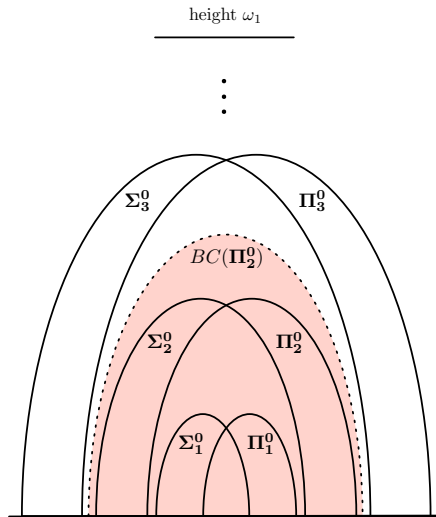
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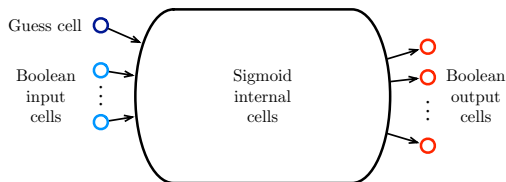


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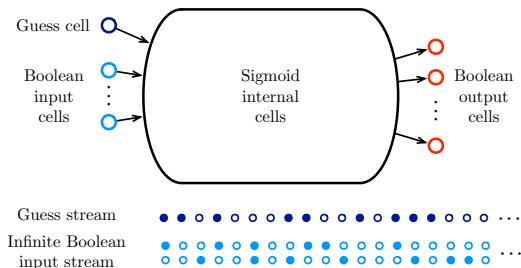
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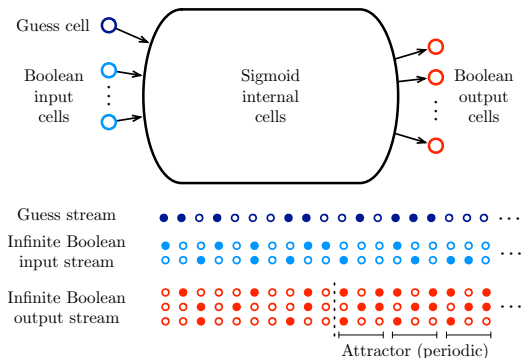
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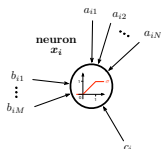


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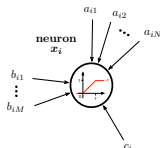


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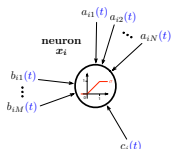


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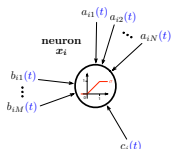


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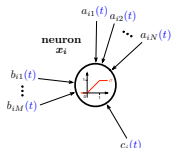


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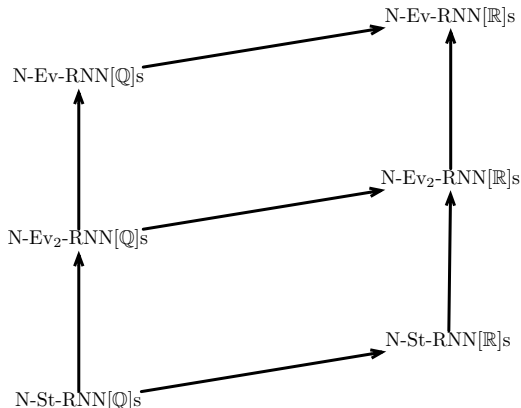
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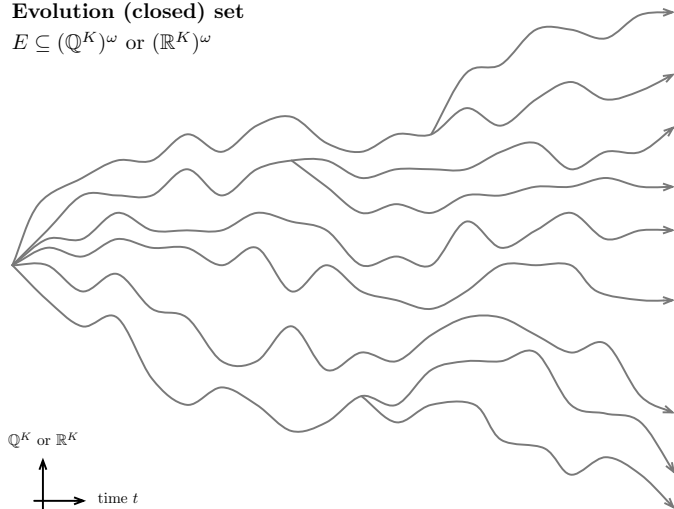
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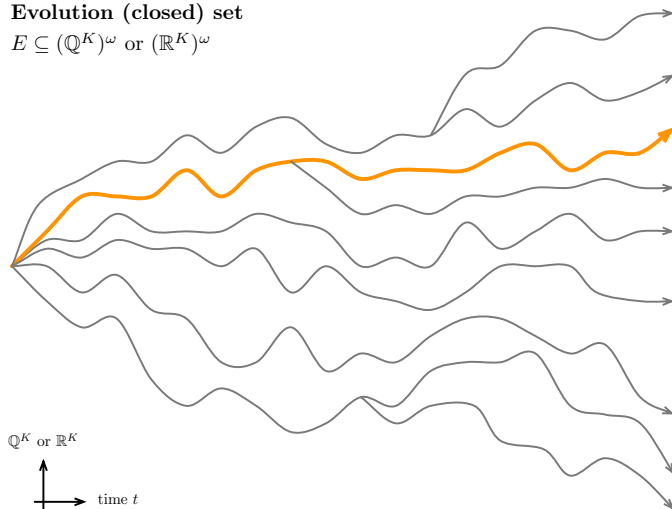
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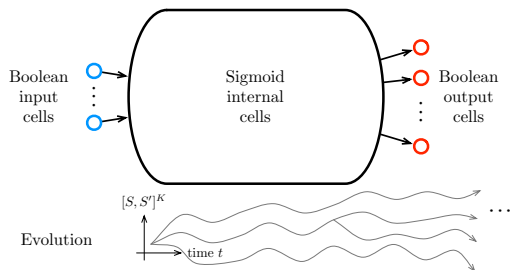
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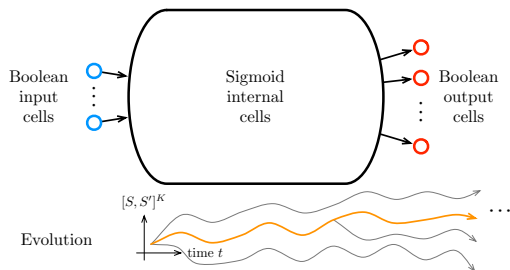
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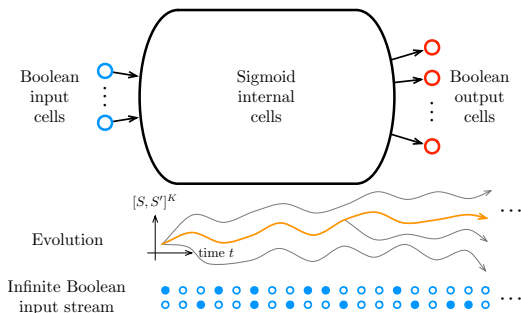
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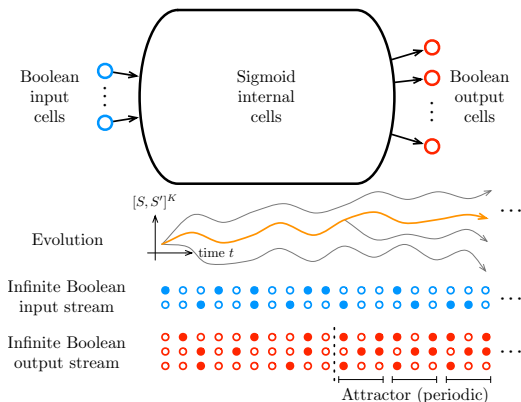
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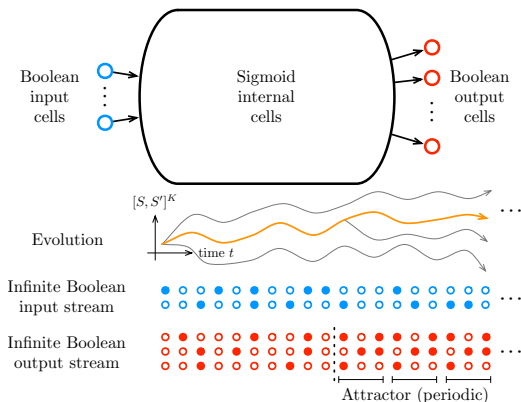
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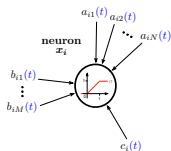
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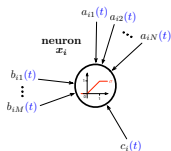


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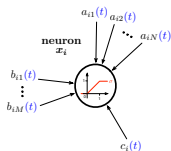


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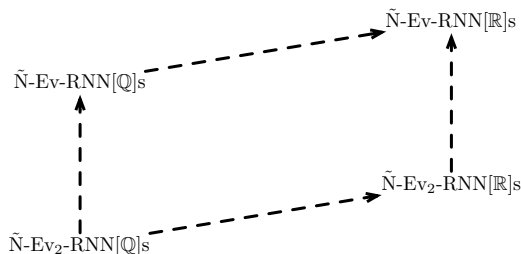
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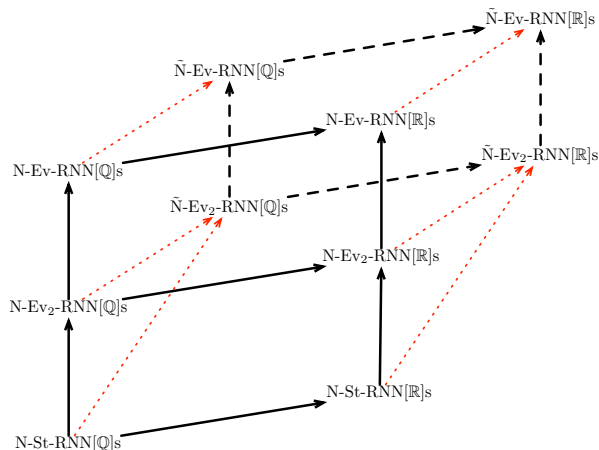
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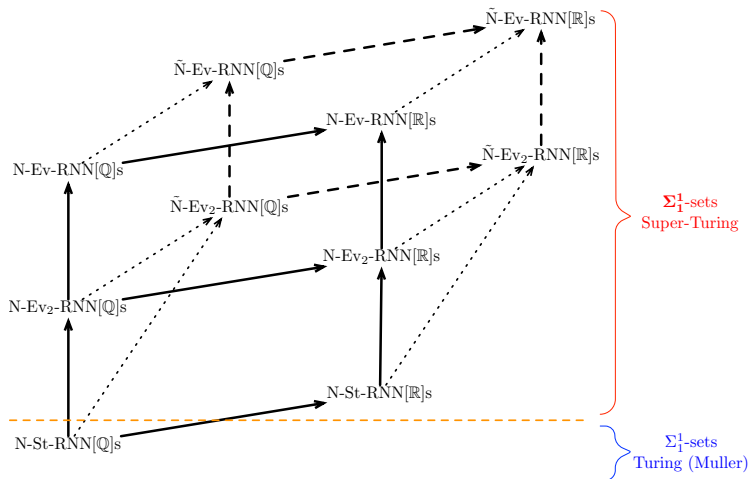
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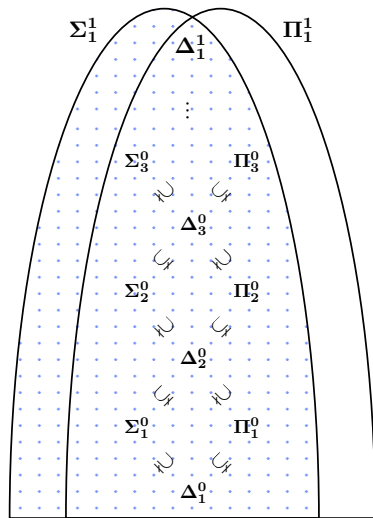
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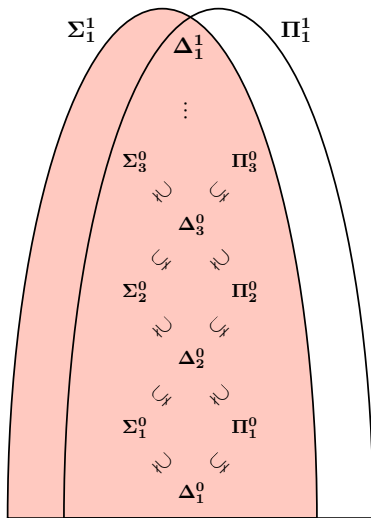
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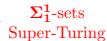
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- 3: **loop**
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