

# Automata on Infinite Words

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$$L \subseteq \Sigma^*$$

■  $L_1 = \{ w : |w| \text{ is even} \}$

$$L_2 = \{ w : w \text{ contains } 001 \}$$

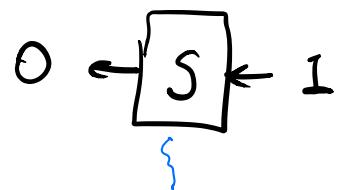
$$L \subseteq \Sigma^\omega$$

why infinite words?

1962 The natural numbers

$$0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots$$

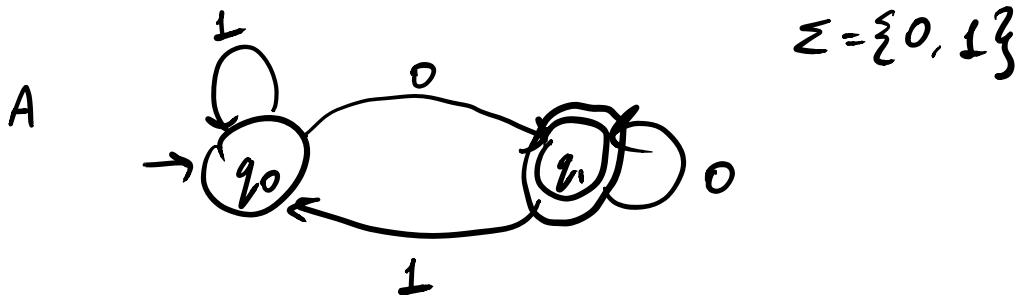
80s On-going behavior  
of non-terminating systems



- the system finds  $\gcd(x,y)$
- whenever the button is pressed then eventually ...
- infinitely often green lights



 A beautiful theory



$$L(A) = (0+1)^* 0$$

*finite words*

0 1 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 0 . . . . .



$$A = \langle \Sigma, Q, Q_0, \delta, \alpha \rangle$$

$Q_0 \subseteq Q$  set of initial states

$$\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow 2^Q$$

$\alpha$ : an acceptance conditions

A run of  $A$  on  $w = w_1 w_2 w_3 \dots$

$r: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow Q$  such that

$r(0) \in Q_0$  and for every  
 $i \geq 0$

$$r(i+1) \in \delta(r(i), w_{i+1})$$

Also  $q_0 q_1 q_2 \dots \in Q^\omega$   $q_i = r(i)$

Acceptance:

Büchi  $\alpha \subseteq Q$

$r$  is accepting if it visits  
 $\alpha$  infinitely often.

$\inf(r) \subseteq Q$

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$\{q : r \text{ visits } q \text{ i.o.}\} \neq \emptyset$

there are  $\infty i$   $r(i)=q$

$r$  is accepting

if  $\underline{\inf(r)} \cap \underline{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$

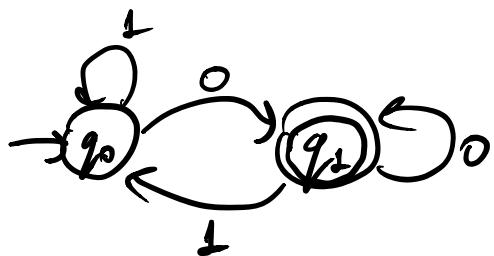
$L(A) = \{w : \text{there is an accepting run of } A \text{ on } w\}$

$L$  is  $w$ -regular  $\Leftrightarrow$

there is a NBW  $A$  such

that  $L(A) = L$ .

Examples:



$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1\}$$

$$Q_0 = \{q_0\}$$

$$\Gamma(q_0, 1) = q_1$$

$$\alpha = \{q_1\}$$

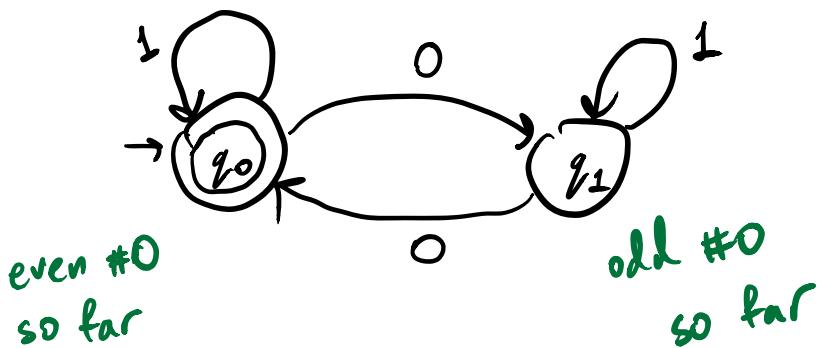
$$L(A) = \{w : w \text{ includes infinitely many } 0s\}$$

$$= (1^* 0)^\omega$$

$L_2 = \{w : w \text{ has a finite even number of } 0s \text{ or } \infty \text{ infinitely many } 0s\}$

$$0101^\omega \in L_2 \quad 01^\omega \notin L_2$$

$$(01)^\omega \in L_2$$

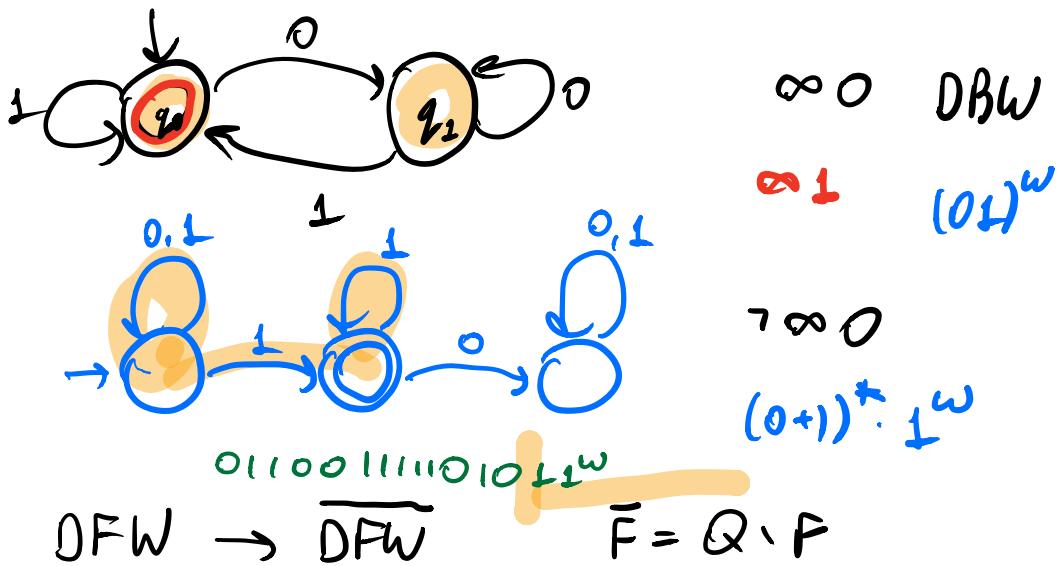


$$L_3 = \{w : \infty 0 \rightarrow \infty 1\}$$

$$\Sigma_1 = \{0, 1\}$$

$$\Sigma_2 = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$0^\omega \notin L_3 \quad \notin (20)^\omega$$

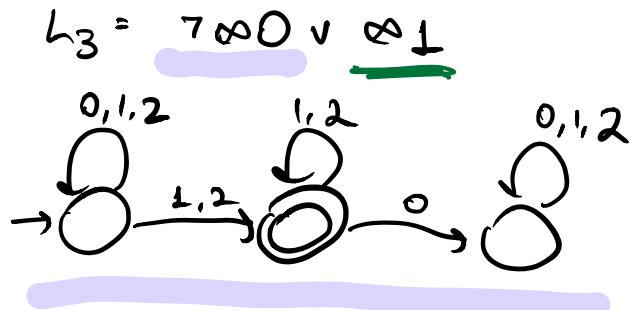
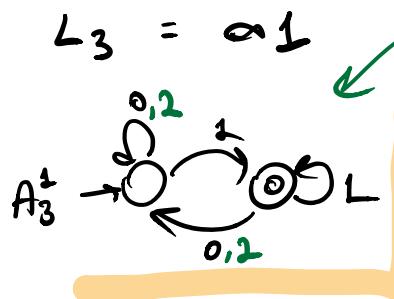


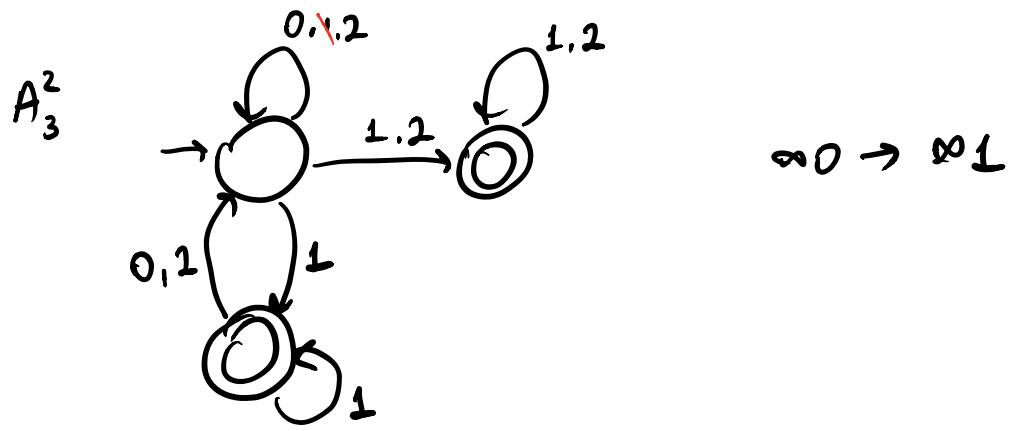
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$$\Sigma_2 = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

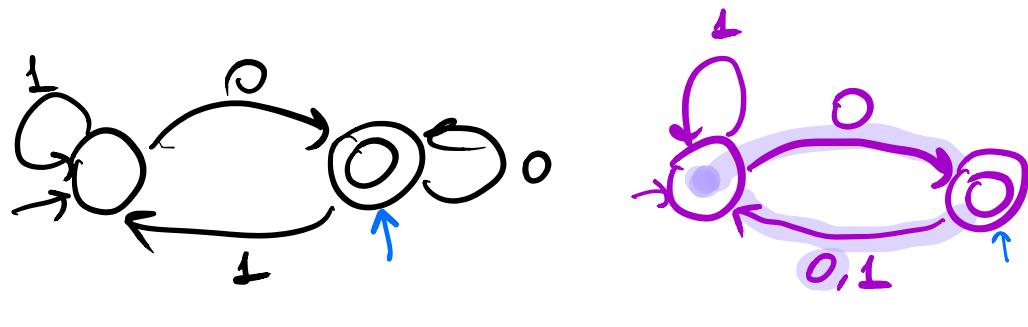
$$\Sigma_1 = \{0, 1\}$$

$$2^\omega \in L_3$$





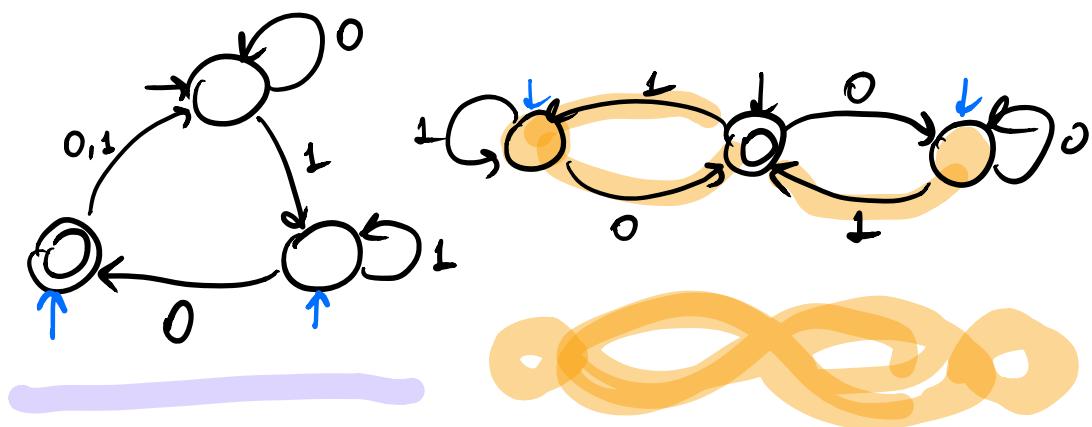
- There need not be a single minimal DBW for a language.



$\infty 0$   
two 2-state DFMs  
 $\infty 0$   
different, minimal

$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

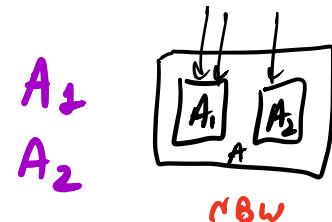
$\infty 0 \cup \infty 1$



Closure properties of NBW<sub>s</sub>      <sup>w-regular languages</sup>  
DBW<sub>s</sub>

Union :

If  $L_1$  is w-regular  
 $L_2$  is w-regular



then  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is w-regular  $A$

Intersection:

$A_1$  for  $L_1$

$A_2$  for  $L_2$

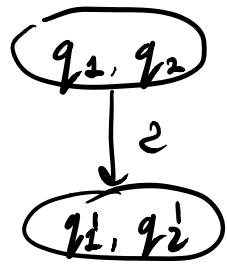
$A$  for  $L_1 \cap L_2$

$$A_i = \langle \Sigma, Q_i, Q_i^0, \delta_i, \alpha_i \rangle$$

# The product construction (for NFW)

$A = \langle \Sigma, Q_1 \times Q_2, \dots \rangle$  union for DBWs

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1 \times Q_2) \cup (Q_1 \times \alpha_2)$$

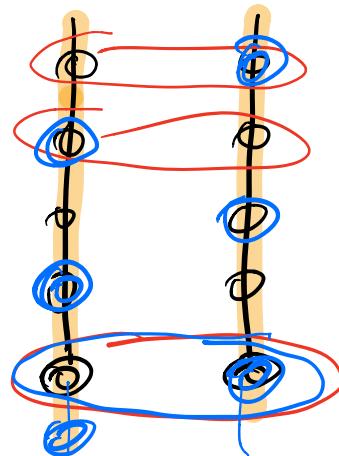


$$\delta(\langle q_1, q_2 \rangle, z) =$$

$$\underline{\delta_1(q_1, z) \times \delta_2(q_2, z)}$$

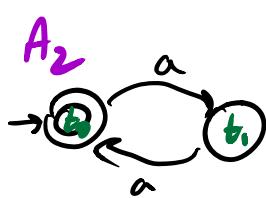
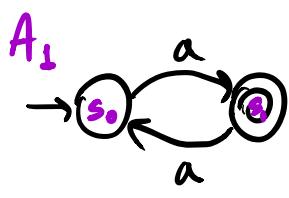
$$\alpha = \alpha_1 \times \alpha_2$$

$A_1 \quad A_2$

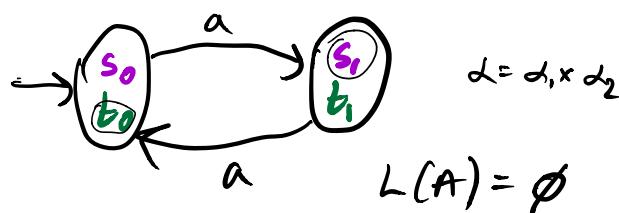


For NBW

$$\Sigma = \{a\}$$



$$L(A_1) = L(A_2) = \{a^w\}$$



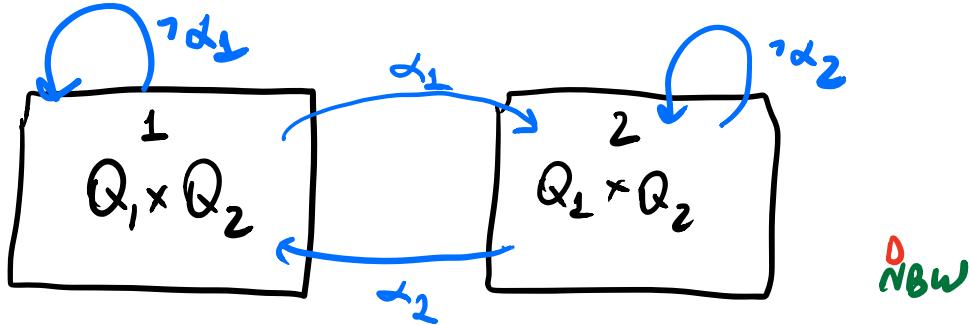
$$\Sigma = \{a\}$$

$$L \subseteq \Sigma^*$$

$$L \subseteq \Sigma^w \quad a^w$$

$$\emptyset, \{a^w\}$$

Construct an NBW for  $L_1 \cap L_2$ :



*preserves determinism*

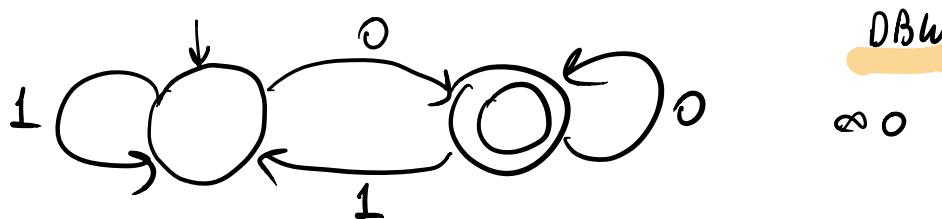
$$\underline{\alpha} = \alpha_1 \times Q_2 \times \{1\} = 2 \cdot n_1 \cdot n_2$$

$$= \{\langle q_1, q_2, 1 \rangle : q_2 \in \alpha_1\}$$

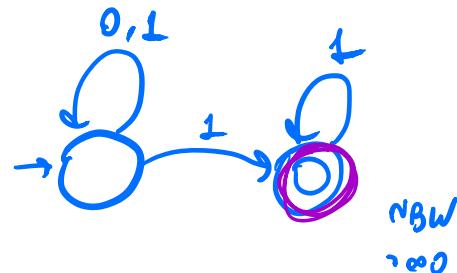
DBW: DBWs  $A_1$   $A_2$

DBW

$\cup$   $\cap$  complementation

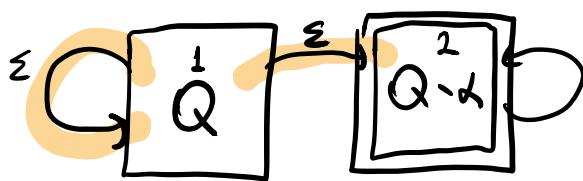


$DBW \rightarrow \overline{NBW}$



$$A = \langle \Sigma, Q, q_0, \delta, \alpha \rangle \quad DBW$$

$$A' = \langle \Sigma, Q', q'_0, \delta', \alpha' \rangle$$



*A' :*  
 some run  $\leftarrow$  the run of  
 $A$  sees only  
 f.m.  $\alpha$ 's  
 for NBW  
 we need  
 all runs of  $\alpha$  to reject.

$$Q' = (Q \times \{1\}) \cup ((Q \setminus \alpha) \times \{2\}) \quad q'_0 = \langle q_0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\delta'(\langle q, 1 \rangle, 2) = \begin{cases} \{\langle s, 1 \rangle, \text{ if } s \notin \alpha\} & \delta(q, 2) = s \\ \{\langle s, 2 \rangle\} & \end{cases}$$

$$\delta'(\langle q, 2 \rangle, 2) = \begin{cases} \{\langle s, 2 \rangle\} & \text{if } s \notin \alpha \\ \emptyset & \text{if } s \in \alpha \end{cases}$$

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$$DBW \rightarrow \overline{NBW}$$

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2n

$$\textcircled{1} \quad DBW \xrightarrow[?]{2} \overline{DBW}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad NBW \xrightarrow[?]{2} \overline{NBW}$$

- DBWs are not closed under complementation.

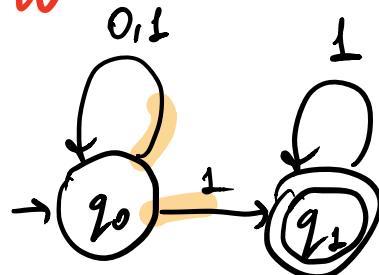
$L = \infty 0$  There is a DBW for  $L$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $1 Q_0 0 Q_1 0 Q_0 0$

Landweber 69: There is no DBW for  $\bar{L}$   
 $"\text{only f.m. } 0s". \quad \infty 0 \quad \Sigma^\omega - L$

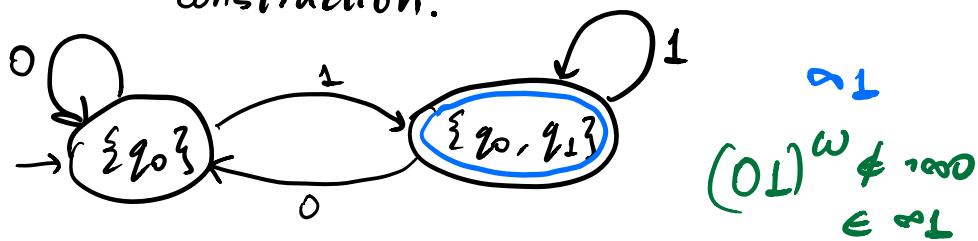
NBW > DBW

NFW = DFW

NBW for  $\infty 0$ :



Apply the subset construction.



$\alpha_1$   
 $(01)^\omega \notin \infty 0$   
 $\in \infty 1$

$\forall S \in SGS, A$  has  
 $S$  after reading  $w$ : a run on  $w$  that reaches  $s$ .

No DBW for "infinitely many 0s".  
only

- Assume there is. A, n states.

$w_1 = 1^\omega \in \gamma^\infty 0 \rightarrow A \text{ accepts } 1^\omega$

$$A = \langle \Sigma, Q, q_0, \delta, \alpha \rangle$$

$1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ \dots$   
 ↑  
 $i_1$

$$\delta(q_0, 1^{i_1}) \in \alpha$$

$w_2 = 1^{i_1} 0 1^\omega \in \gamma^\infty 0 \rightarrow A \text{ accepts } w_2$

$1^{i_1} 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ \dots$   
 ↑  
 $i_1$                    ↑  
 $i_2$

$$\delta(q_0, 1^{i_1} 0 1^{i_2}) \in \alpha$$

$w_3 = 1^{i_1} 0 1^{i_2} 0 1^\omega \dots$   
 ↑  
 $i_3$

For every  $k \geq 1$

$w_k = 1^{i_1} 0 1^{i_2} 0 1^{i_3} 0 1^{i_4} \dots 0 1^{i_k} 0 1^\omega$

$$k > n \quad \exists j_1 \leq j_2, j_2 \leq k \quad \begin{matrix} j_2 \neq j_2 \\ j_1 < j_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\delta(q_0, w_{j_1}) = \delta(q_0, w_{j_2}) \stackrel{?}{=} q$$

Consider:  $w = 1^{i_1} 0 \dots 1^{i_{j_2}} (0 1^{i_{j_2+1}} \dots 0 1^{i_{j_2}})^\omega$

- ① A accepts  $w$  (the run of A on  $w$  visits  $q$  i.o.)
  - ②  $w \in \text{DBW} \notin L(A)$
- not empty  
at least one 0*
- $j_1 < j_2$

$\rightarrow$  no DBW A exist.

NBW > DBW

- ① Characterize DBW
- ② Stronger conditions

Landweber 69

For  $R \subseteq \Sigma^*$ , we define

$\Sigma^\omega \supseteq \lim(R) = \{w : w \text{ has i.m. prefixes } \}$

in R

$$R = \frac{(0+1)^* 1}{(0+1)^*} \dots$$

$$R = (0 \cdot 1^+) \quad \{0 \perp^w\} \\ R = (0^* 1) \quad \lim_{\uparrow} (R) \quad \underline{\underline{00001}} \quad )$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (R_n) = \emptyset$$

$\lim^{-1}(L)$  need not be unique

$$R = (0+1)^* 1 (0+1)^* 1 \quad ((0+1)^* 1)^i$$

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$$R = (0+1)^k 1 (0+1)^i$$

- For every  $L \subseteq \leq^\omega$

$L \in DBW \Leftrightarrow \exists R \subseteq \Sigma^* \text{ s.t.}$

$$L = \lim(R)$$

proof: For a deterministic automaton  $A$

$$L_B(A) = \lim (L_F(A))$$

↓                      ↓  
A as a DBW            A as a DFW



$$L \in \text{DBW} \rightarrow A \rightarrow R = L_F(A)$$

$\exists R \rightarrow A \rightarrow A$  when viewed as a DBW  
recognizes  $L$ .

Stronger acceptance conditions.

$$\inf(\alpha) \cap \alpha \neq \emptyset \quad \text{Büchi}$$

$$\text{DFA} = \text{NBW} > \text{DBW}$$

+

all  $\omega$ -regular languages

## ① Generalized Büchi

$$\alpha = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k\}$$

$\tau$  is accepting iff

$$\inf(\tau) \cap \alpha_i \neq \emptyset \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq k$$

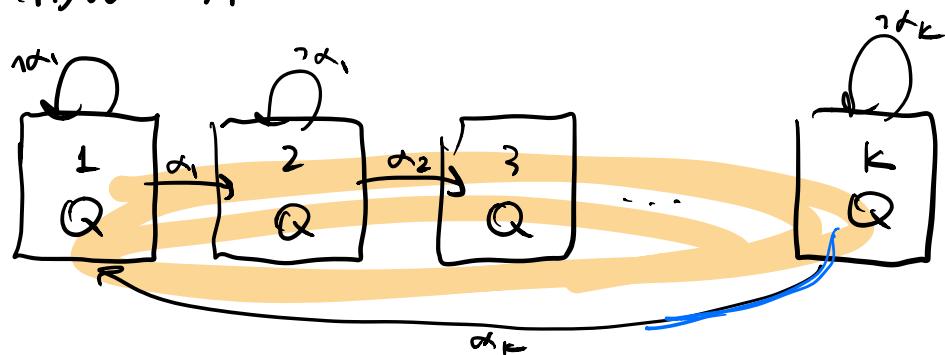


$$\alpha = \{\{S_0\}, \{S_1\}\}$$

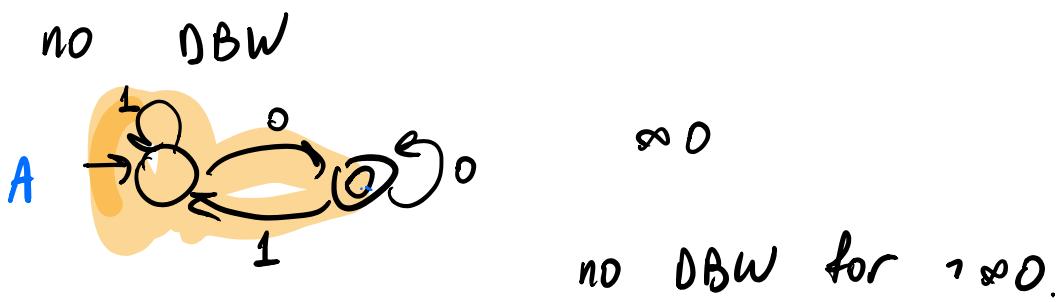
$$\begin{array}{l} DGBW \rightarrow DBW \\ NGBW \rightarrow NBW \end{array} \quad ] \quad \text{no added expressive power}$$

$$NGBW \quad A \quad \alpha = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$$

$$\rightarrow NBW \quad A'$$



$$Q' = Q \times \{1, \dots, k\} \quad \alpha' = \alpha_k \times \{k\}$$



## ② co-Büchi

$r$  is accepting iff  $\text{inf}(r) \cap \alpha = \emptyset$

only f.m. visits in  $\alpha$ .

$$L_c(A) = \infty 0$$

$A$  as a DCW

$$L_c(A) = \overline{L_B(A)}$$

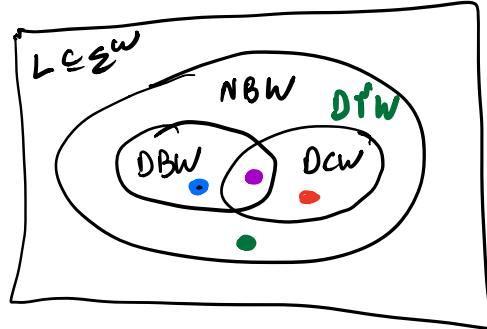


$r$  is accepting  
if  $\text{inf}(r) \cap \alpha = \emptyset$

$$\text{DCW} = \overline{\text{DBW}}$$

no DCW for  $\infty 0$

### ③ Rabin, Streett, parity



$$\infty 0 \quad (1^* 0)^\omega$$

$$\gamma \in \infty 0 \quad (0+1)^* 1^\omega$$

$$0 \cdot (0+1)^\omega$$

$$\infty 0 + \gamma \infty 1 \quad \Sigma = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

- Rabin  $\alpha = \{\langle L_1, R_1 \rangle, \langle L_2, R_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle L_k, R_k \rangle\}$

$$L_i, R_i \subseteq Q$$

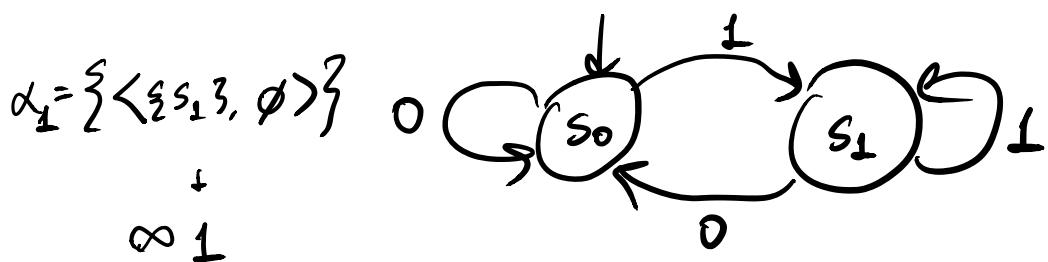
$$\alpha \in 2^{Q \times 2^Q}$$

index of  $\alpha$

$r$  is accepting iff  $\exists 1 \leq i \leq k$

$\text{inf}(r) \cap L_i \neq \emptyset$  and  $\alpha_{L_i}$

$\text{inf}(r) \cap R_i = \emptyset$   $\gamma \in R_i$



Buchi  $\alpha \rightarrow$  Rabin  $\{\langle \alpha, \emptyset \rangle\}$

$\alpha_2 = \{\langle \{s_0, s_1\}, \{s_1\} \rangle \rightarrow \infty_L$

co-Buchi  $\alpha \rightarrow$  Rabin  $\{\langle Q, \alpha \rangle\}$   
 $\langle Q, \alpha, \alpha \rangle$

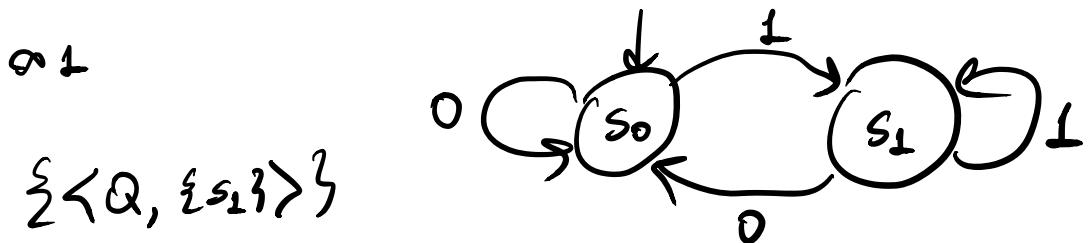
- Streett dual to Rabin

$\alpha = \{\langle L_1, R_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle L_k, R_k \rangle\}$

$\tau$  is accepting iff  $\nexists 1 \leq i \leq k$

$\text{inf}(\tau) \cap L_i = \emptyset \quad \text{or} \quad \infty L_i \vee \infty R_i$

$\text{inf}(\alpha) \cap R_i \neq \emptyset \quad \infty L_i \rightarrow \infty R_i$



Buchi  $\alpha$   $\{\langle Q, \alpha \rangle\}$   $\infty 0 \wedge \infty L$

co-Buchi  $\alpha$   $\{\langle Q, \emptyset \rangle\}$   $\{\langle Q, s_0 \rangle, \langle Q, \{s_1\} \rangle\}$

③ parity  $\alpha: Q \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, k\}$

$\tau$  is accepting iff the minimal color that  $\tau$  visits I.O. is even

$$\min \{ i : \inf(\tau) \cap \alpha^{-1}(i) \neq \emptyset \}$$

is even.

$$\alpha = \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$$

- parity as Rabin

$$\alpha' = \{ \langle \alpha_0, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \alpha_2, \alpha_1 \cup \alpha_0 \rangle, \langle \alpha_4, \alpha_3 \cup \alpha_2 \rangle, \dots \}$$

Rabin

- parity as Streett

$$\alpha' = \{ \langle \alpha_1, \alpha_0 \rangle, \langle \alpha_3, \alpha_0 \cup \alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2 \rangle, \dots \}$$

- Büchi as parity

$$\overset{\text{Büchi}}{\alpha} \rightarrow \{\overset{0}{\alpha}, \overset{1}{\alpha}\}$$

- ① Expressive power and succinctness
- ② complexity of decision problems
- ③ Determinization and complementation

NRW  $\rightarrow$  NBW

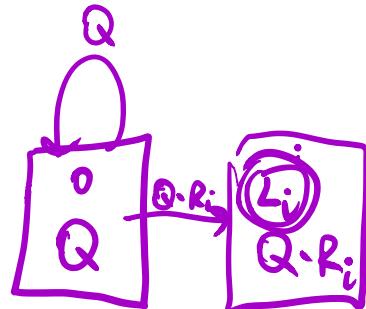
$$A = \langle \Sigma, Q, Q_0, \Gamma, \delta \rangle$$

$$\delta = \{ \langle L_1, R_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle L_k, R_k \rangle \}$$

$$\alpha_i = \{ \langle L_i, R_i \rangle \} \quad \exists \quad 1 \leq i \leq k$$

$A_i$  NRW[1] with  $\alpha_i$

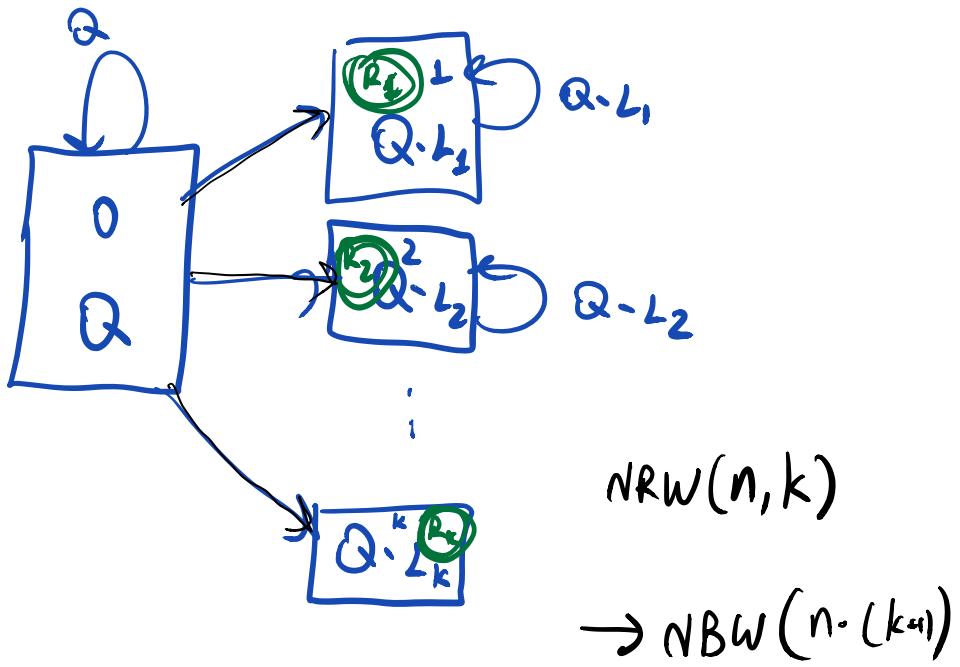
$$L(A) = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq k} A_i$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_i & \xrightarrow{\quad} & A'_i \\ \text{NRW[1]} & & \text{NBW} \\ \langle L_i, R_i \rangle & & \end{array}$$

$$(Q \times \{0\}) \cup ((Q \times R_i) \times \{i\})$$

$$\alpha'_i = L_i \times \Sigma^*$$



$$\frac{\text{NSW} \rightarrow \text{NBW}}{A \qquad A'} \qquad \forall i \quad \infty L_i \rightarrow \infty R_i$$

$A'$  guess a subset  $I \subseteq \{1..k\}$

s.t.  $i \in I \Leftrightarrow$  the run visits

$L_i$  i.o.

Does not work  $A' = \bigcap_{1 \leq i \leq k} A_i$

$$\text{NSW}(n, k) \xrightarrow{n \cdot 2^k} \text{NBW}(n \cdot 2^k)$$

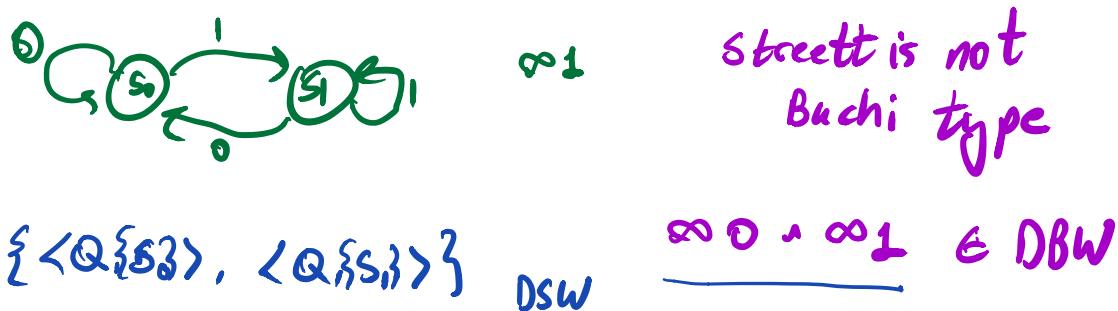
$n \cdot 2^k \qquad n + 2^k \cdot n \cdot k$

$DRW \rightarrow DBW$  when exists.  
no blow up

Type-ness: Rabin is Büchi-type

if  $L$  is in DBW, and

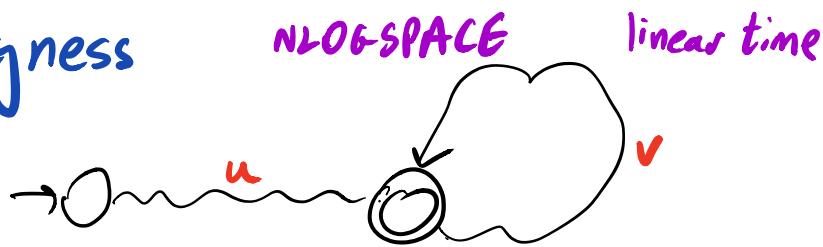
$A$  is a DRW for  $L$ , then there is a DBW for  $L$ , on the structure of  $A$ .



- Decision procedures
  - Emptiness : Given A  
Is  $L(A) = \emptyset$  ?

- nonemptiness

**OBW**  
**NBW**



$A$  is not empty iff there is  $q \in \Delta$  such that  $q$  is reachable from  $Q_0$  and from it self.  $u \cdot v^w \in L(A)$

- is there a maximal strongly connected component  $S$  (not trivial) such that  $S$  is reachable from  $Q_0$

$$S \cap \Delta \neq \emptyset$$



- nonemptiness for  $NRW$

$NSW$

$\stackrel{NL}{?}$   
PTIME

$$NRW(n, k) \rightarrow NSW(n \cdot k)$$

$\leq$

$$n \cdot 2^k$$

- universality  $L(A) = \Sigma^\omega$   
 $\text{PSPACE-complete}$   
 - containment  $\underline{L(A_1)} \subseteq \underline{L(A_2)}$   
 $A \text{ is universal} \leftrightarrow \Sigma Q \subseteq L(A)$

$$A \subseteq B \leftrightarrow A \cap \overline{B} = \emptyset$$

$$L(A_1 \times \overline{A_2}) = \emptyset$$

$\leftarrow$        $\downarrow$   
 product      complementation

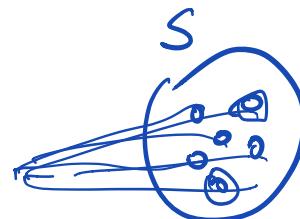
### ③ Determinization $\downarrow$



$$NBW \rightarrow D_{S_P}^{R_W}$$

$$NFW \rightarrow OFW$$

$Q$        $2^Q$

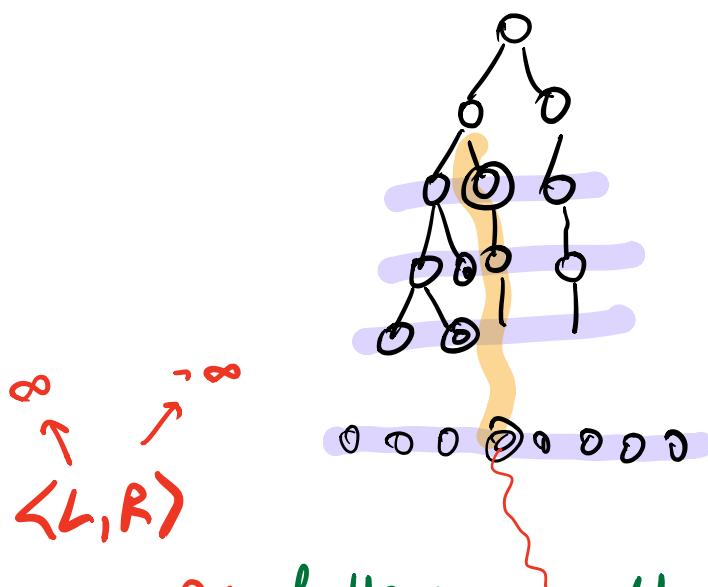


NBW  $\rightarrow$  DRW

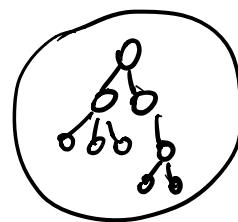
Satra 1988

$2^{O(n \log n)}$

$S +$  additional information



Satra tree



$S$

R: follow a path

L: this path has l.m. visits in  $\omega$ .

NBW  $\rightarrow$  DPW

Piterman 2006

# Automata on Infinite Words

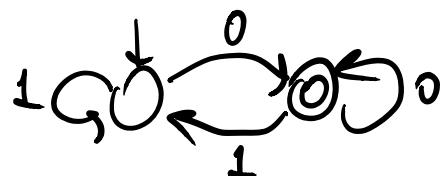
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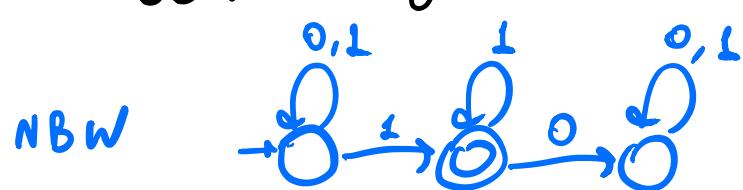
We saw: Buchi word automata

NBW DBW

- closed for  $\cap$   $\cup$
- NBW  $\supseteq$   $\vee$
- DBW  $\supseteq$   $\times$   $\infty\circ$



no DBW  $\supsetneq \infty\circ$



NBW > DBW

$\supsetneq \infty\circ$

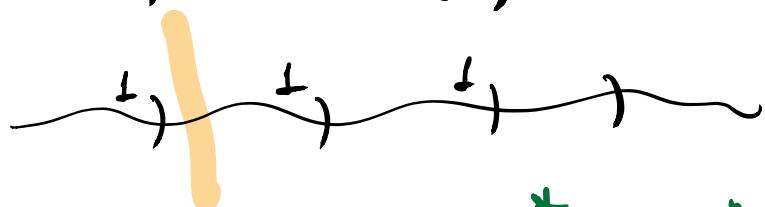
A  $\omega$ -regular language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^\omega$

$L \in DBW \Leftrightarrow$  exists regular  $R \subseteq \Sigma^*$

$$L = \lim R$$

$\downarrow$   
infinite word with  $\infty$  prefixes in  $R$

$$R = (0+1)^* 1 \quad \lim(R) = \infty 1$$



$$\lim^{-1}(\infty 1) = (0+1)^* 1 (0+1)^* 1$$

$$(0+1)^* 1 (0+1)^i$$

Richer acceptance condition

$$D \underbrace{N}_W = NBW$$



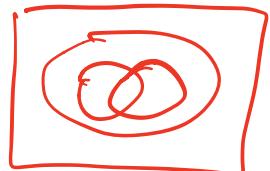
- generalized Büchi  $DGBW = DBW$
- co-Büchi

DCW for  $\omega$   $DCW = \overline{DBW}$

- Rabin, Streett, parity

$$DRW = DSW = DPW = NBW$$

- expressive power
- succinctness



$$NRW(n, k) \rightarrow NBW(n, k)$$

- complexity of decision problems

~~Clean~~ and beautiful theory

What is clean?

The case of finite words

DFW - unique minimal automaton

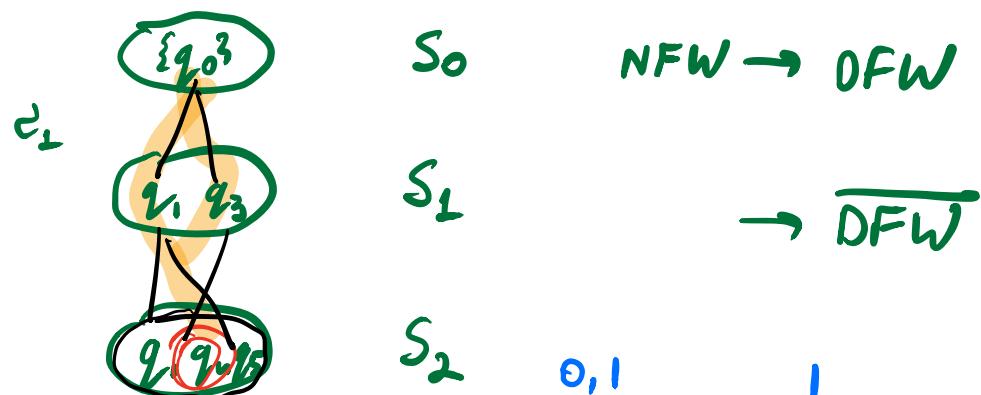
- MN equivalence classes
- minimization in PTIME

NFW - minimization: PSPACE

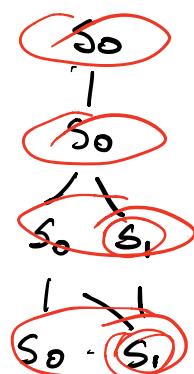
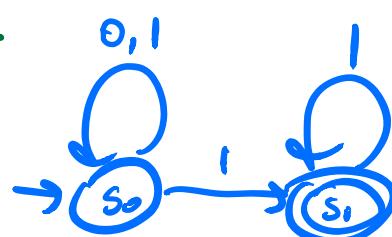


not too nice but...

subset construction



ss const on



$S +$  extra  
information

- ① Why is minimization hard?
- ② What is this extra info?

Minimization:

Sven Schewe  
DBW      N      2010

$\text{MINDBW} = \{ \langle A, k \rangle : A \text{ has}$   
 an equivalent DBW  
 with at most  $k$  states  $\}$

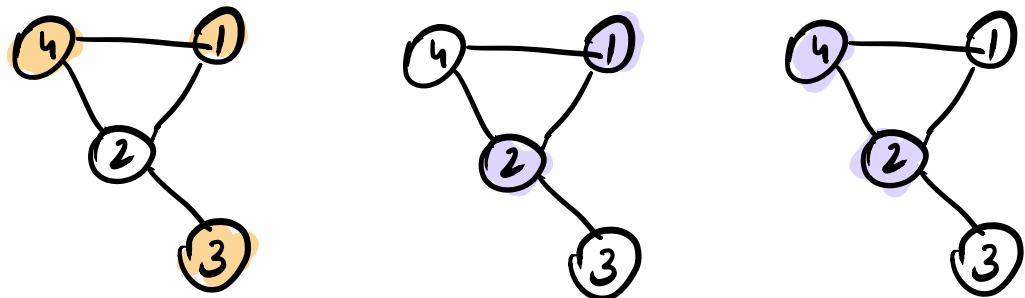
$\in \text{NP-complete.}$

- In NP : the  $k$ -state DBW  
 is a witness.

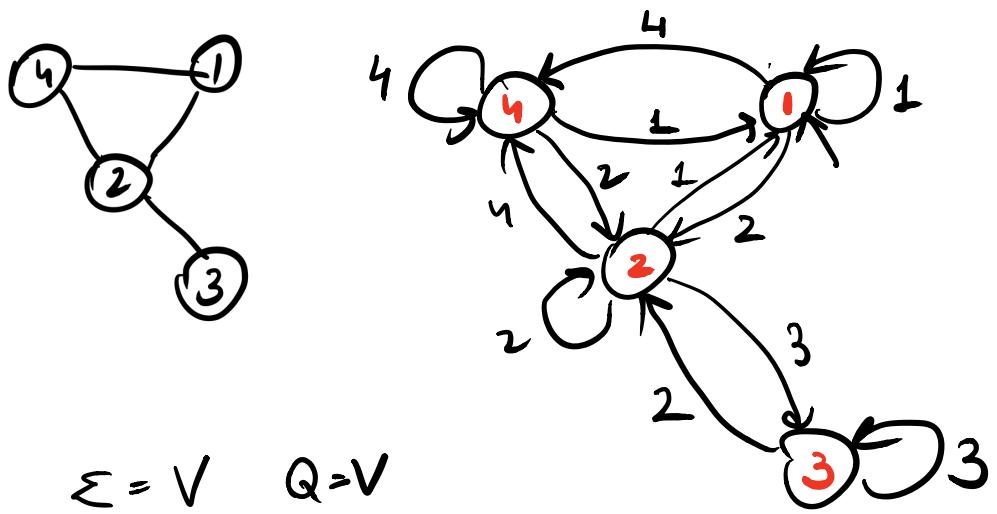
NP-hard

$\text{VC} = \{ \langle G, k \rangle : G \text{ has}$   
 a vertex cover of  
 size at most  $k \}$

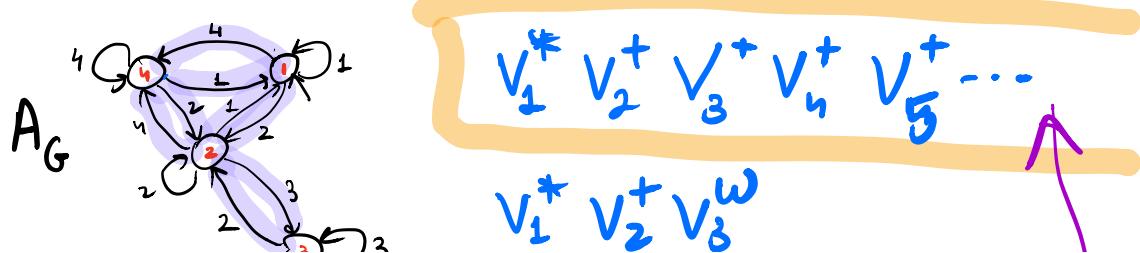
$G = \langle V, E \rangle$      $S \subseteq V$  is a VC  
 $\nexists (u, v) \in E \quad u \notin S \text{ or } v \notin S$



The reduction :  $\langle G, k \rangle \rightarrow \langle A, k' \rangle$



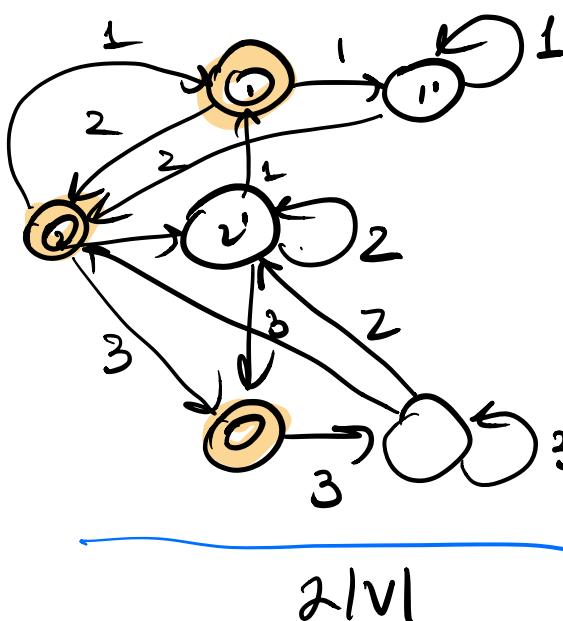
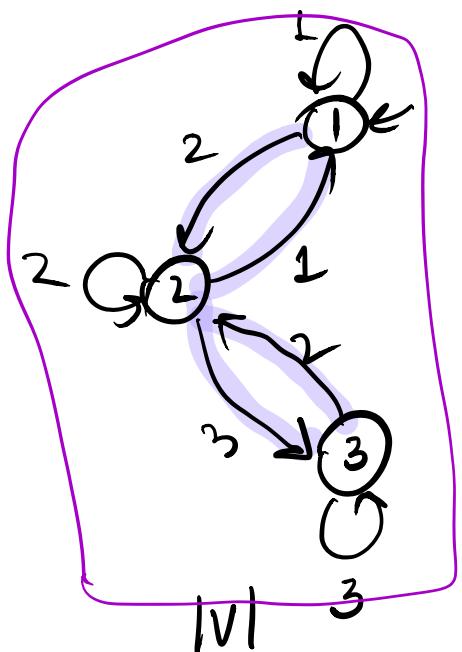
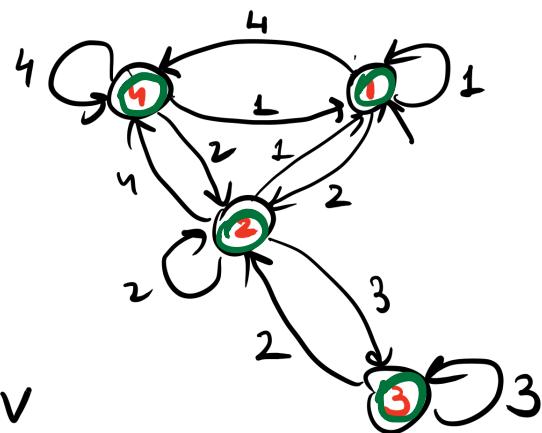
if  $\alpha = V$



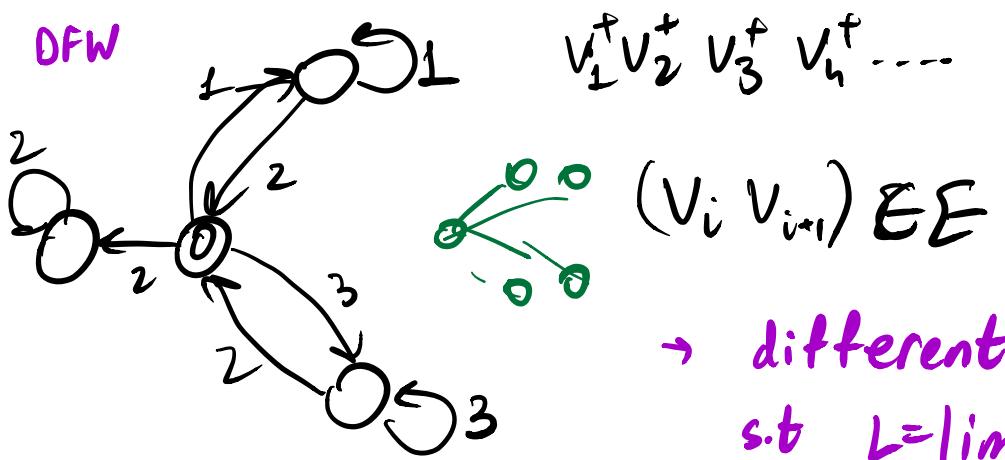
LL1442<sup>w</sup>

t-DBW  $\alpha \subseteq \Delta = Q \times \Sigma \times Q$

what's the size of a DBW for



enough  
to duplicate  
a vc!

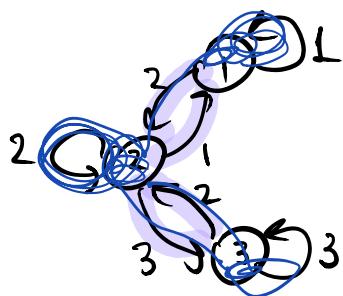


G has a VC with  $k$  vertices  
of  $D_G$  has an equivalent DBW  
with  $|V| + k$  states.

minimize DBW: - find "optimal"  $R$   
- minimize  $R$ .

- ① t-DBW no NP-hardness!
- ② no 2-approximation!
- ③ co-Buchi

$L_G = V_1^+ V_2^+ V_3^+ V_4^+ \dots$   
 $E(V_i, V_{i+1})$  *int*  
on path in the graph



$V_1^+ V_2^+ V_3^+ V_4^+ \dots$   
 $\times V_1 V_2^\omega$

skewew

Lower bound on complementation  
 determinization  
 [Michel 1988]

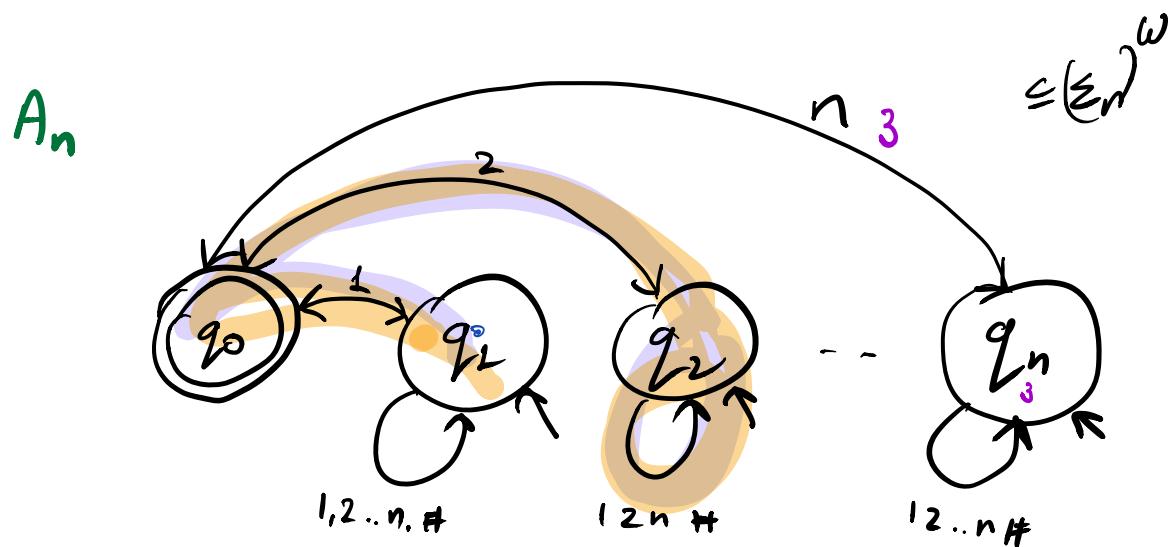
$L_1, L_2, \dots$

①  $L_n$  NBW with  $O(n)$  states

② an NBW for  $\overline{L_n}$  need at least  
 $\underline{n!}$  states

$$n! \approx n^n = 2^{O(n \log n)}$$

$$L_n : \Sigma_n = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n, \#\}$$



$$n=3 \quad (121\#)^\omega \stackrel{?}{\in} L_n \quad (12\#)^\omega$$

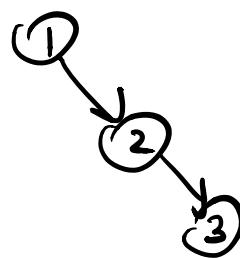
Lemma:  $w \in L_n \Leftrightarrow \exists i_1 i_2 \dots i_k \in \{1..n\}$

st.  $i_1 i_2$ ,  $i_2 i_3$ ,  $i_3 i_4$  ...  $i_{k-1} i_k$ ,  $i_k i_1$

appear infinitely often in  $w$ .

Note: each word  $w \in \Sigma_n^\omega$  induces a graph  $G_w = \langle \{1..n\}, E \rangle$

$E(i, j) \Leftrightarrow ij \text{ appears I.O. in } w$ .

$$(\underline{1 \ 2 \ 3} \#)^{\omega}$$


$A_n$  accepts  $w \Leftrightarrow G_w$  includes  
a graph.

with finite word :  $2^{V \times V}$   
 $2^{\mathcal{O}(n^2)}$

Let  $U_n$  be a NBW for  $\overline{L_n}$

We claim that  $U_n$  need at least  
 $n!$  states.

consider  $\alpha = (i_1 i_2 \dots i_n \#)^{\omega}$   
two words,  $\beta = (j_1 j_2 \dots j_n \#)^{\omega}$   
 $i_1 \dots i_n$   
a permutation of  $\{1 \dots n\}$

$\alpha \notin L_n$      $G_\alpha \circlearrowleft \rightarrow (i_1) \rightarrow (i_2) \rightarrow (i_3) \dots \rightarrow (i_n)$

$\beta \notin L_n$

↳  $U_n$  should accept  $\alpha, \beta$

-  $r_\alpha$  accepting run of  $U_n$  on  $\alpha$ .

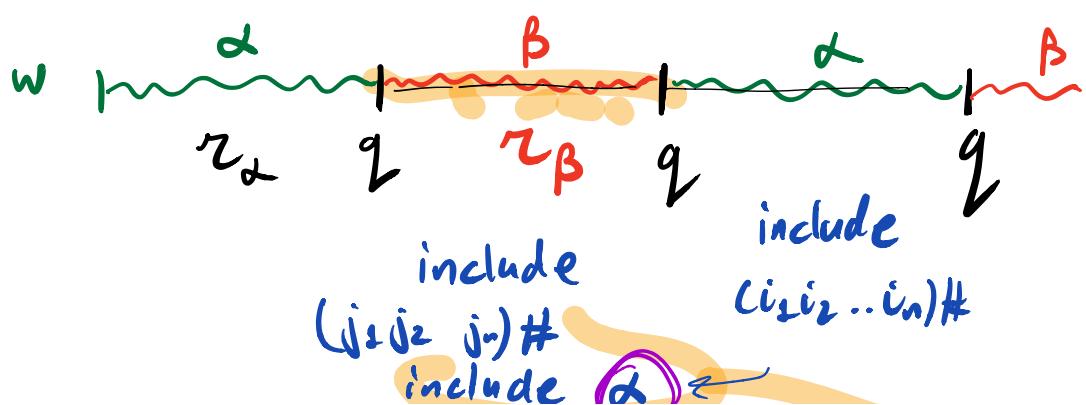
-  $r_\beta$                   "                   $\beta$ .

$$\underline{S_\alpha} = \inf(r_\alpha) \quad \underline{S_\beta} = \inf(r_\beta)$$

claim:  $S_\alpha \cap S_\beta = \emptyset$

if correct  $\rightarrow n!$  states

proof of claim: assume  $S_\alpha \cap S_\beta \neq \emptyset$

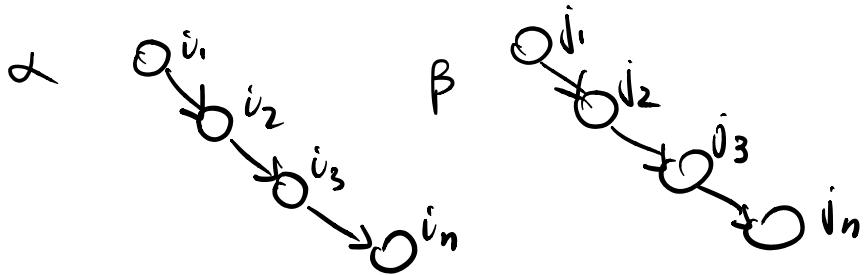


accepting states of  $U_n$

- $w$  is accepted by  $U_n$  (i.m. visits  $i_n$ )
- $w \in L_n$  (shouldn't be accepted)



the graph of  $w$  contains a cycle



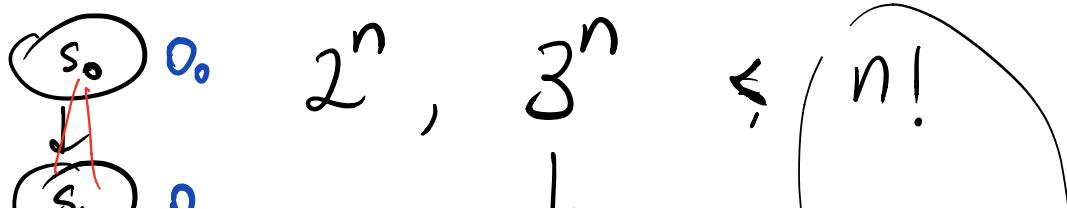
2 strings  $\rightarrow$  cycle  $\rightarrow$  contradiction.

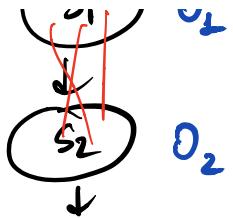
→ we can capture permutation.

- describe subsets of  $V \times V$  with  $|V|+1$  states.

Löding 99

back to ss. construction





break-point  
construction

mess

$NCW \rightarrow DCW$

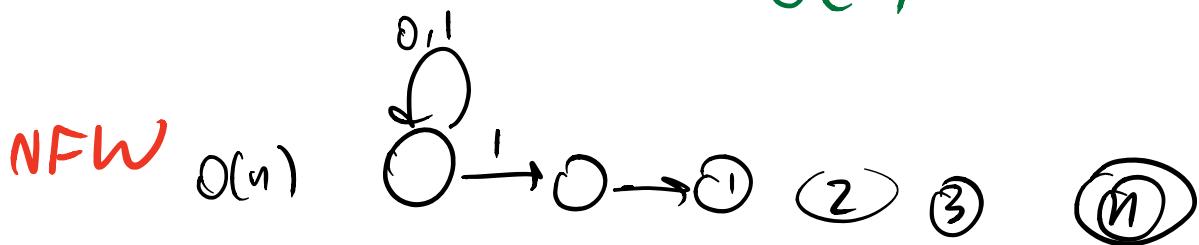
$\langle S, O \rangle$      $S : ss$   
 $O \subseteq S$

Open: Is there  $A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots$  s.t.

- ①  $A_n$  is an NBW with  $O(n)$  states
- ②  $A_n$  is easy to complement:  
there is  $\overline{A_n}$  with  $O(n)$  states.
- ③  $A_n$  is <sup>very</sup> hard to determinize:  
every  $D_{RW}^B$  for  $L(A_n)$  need  
at least  $2^{O(n \log n)}$  states.

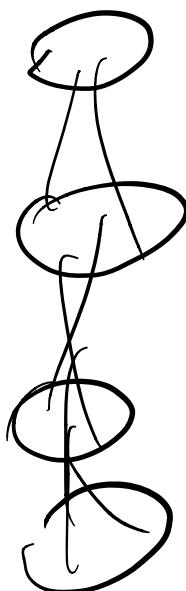
finite words:

$$L_n = (0+1)^* \sqcup (0+1)^n \quad \Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$



$$\bar{L}_n = (0+1)^* 0 (0+1)^n \quad \Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$

DFW:  $2^n$  states



+ extra

- the same for  
determinization

a  
complementation