

# First order synthesis for data words revisited

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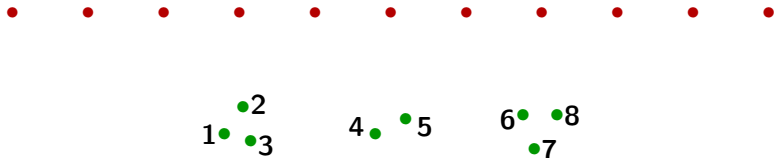
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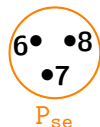
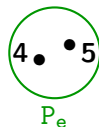
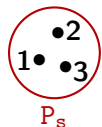


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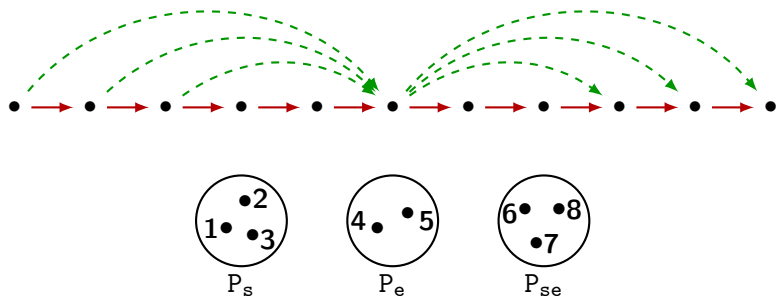


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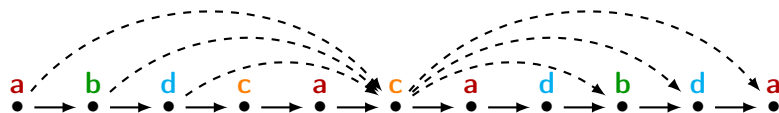
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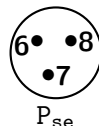
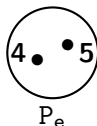
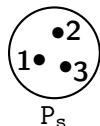
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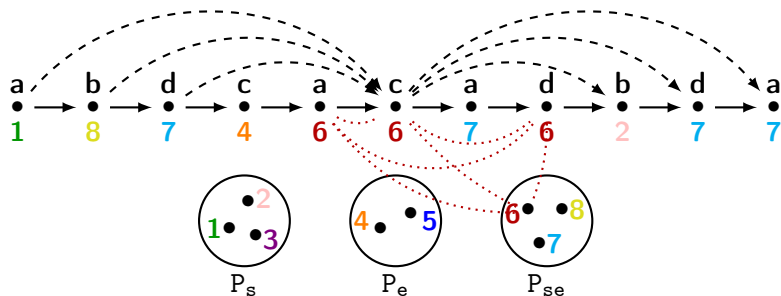
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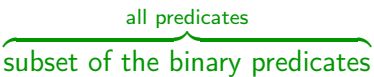
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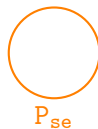
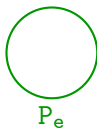
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$$\forall x, P_s(x) \rightarrow \left[ \forall y_1, y_2, y_3, \bigwedge_i (x \sim y_i \wedge \text{req}(y_i)) \rightarrow \bigvee_{i \neq j} y_i = y_j \right]$$

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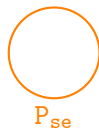
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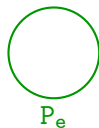
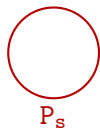




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**Synthesis problem for  $\mathcal{L}$  for this configuration:**

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**Question:** does there exist a distribution of agents, complying with the configuration, such that System has a winning strategy for  $\varphi$ ?

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Halting problem for two-counter Minsky machines:

**Input:** a two-counter Minsky machine  $M$

**Question:** does  $M$  have a halting run?

This problem is **undecidable**: we reduce it to the Synthesis problem for  $\text{FO}^2[\sim, <]$  with partitioned agents

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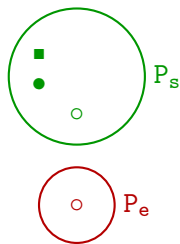
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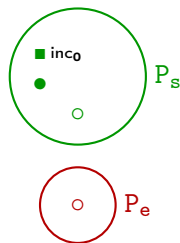
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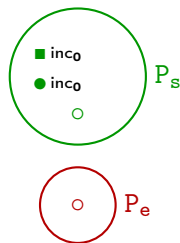
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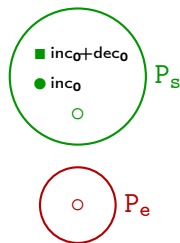
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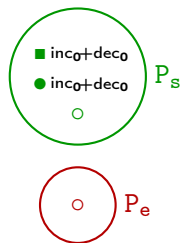
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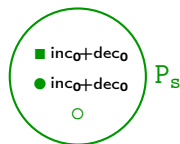
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What about  $FO^2[\lesssim]$  when agents are partitioned?