

# A Verified Decision Procedure for Monadic Second-Order Logic on Strings

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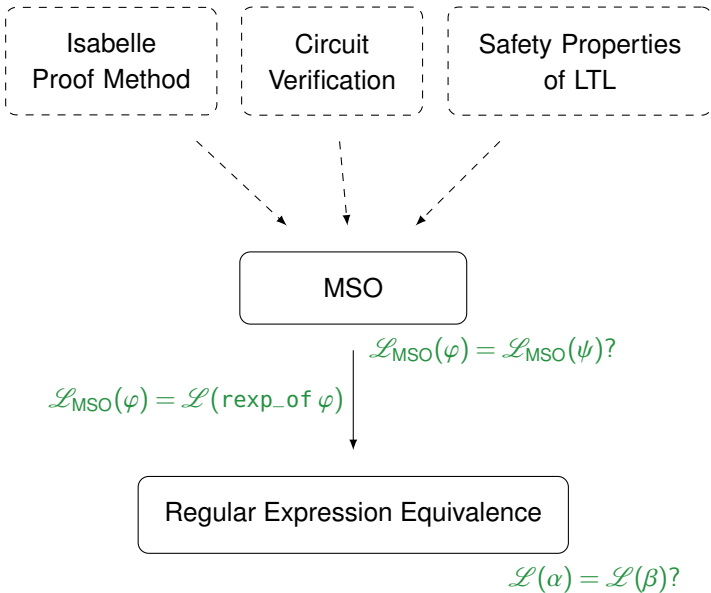
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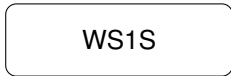
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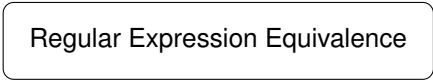


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$$\pi : \Sigma_{n+1} \rightarrow \Sigma_n$$

## Example

$$\Sigma_n = \{xs \mid \text{length } xs = n\}$$

$$\pi = \text{tail}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\pi^{-1}a &= \{xs \mid \text{tail } xs = a\} \\ &= \{a_0a \mid a_0 \in \Sigma_1\}\end{aligned}$$

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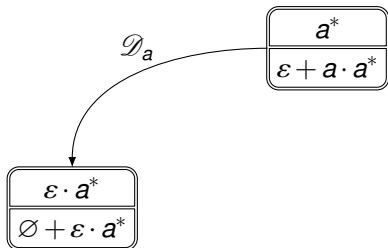
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- Formal soundness proof ( $\Leftarrow$ ) for  $\Pi$ -extended regular expressions
- Formal completeness proof ( $\Rightarrow$ )
- Formal termination proof ( $\mathcal{B}$  is finite)

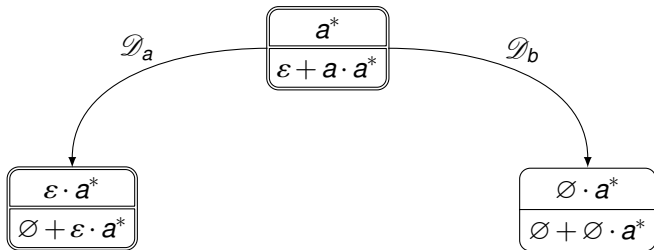
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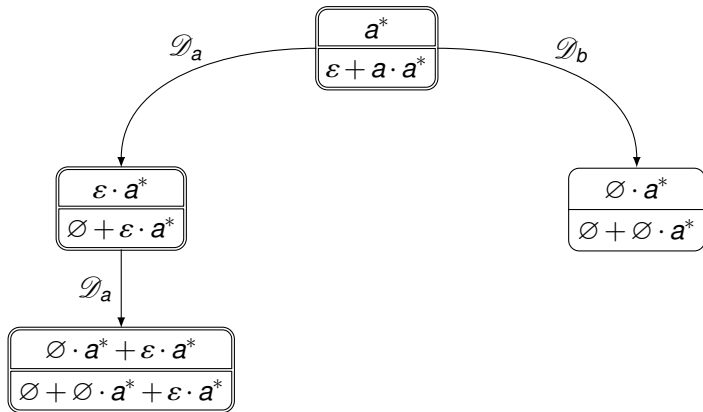
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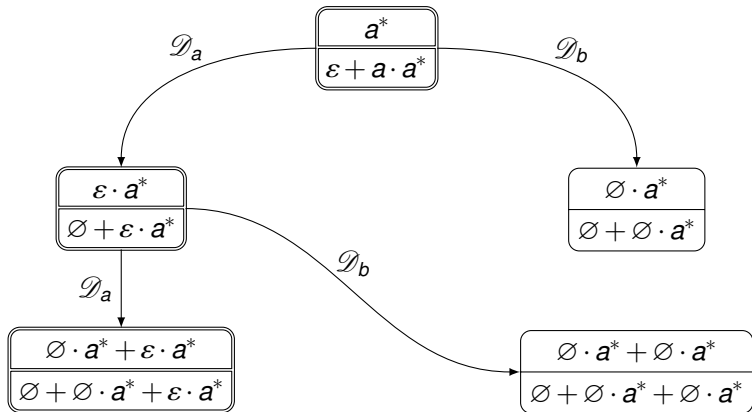
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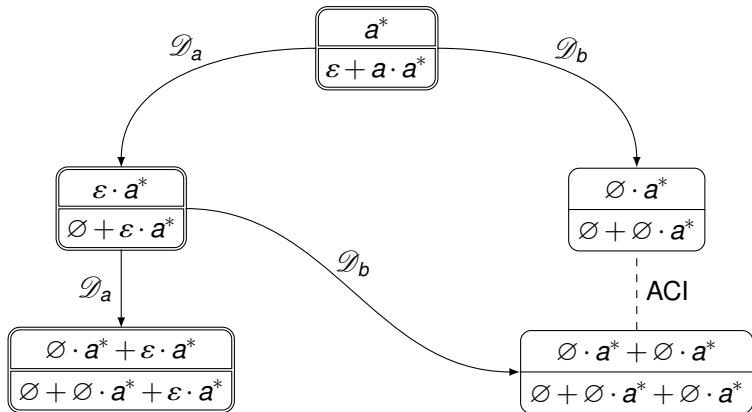


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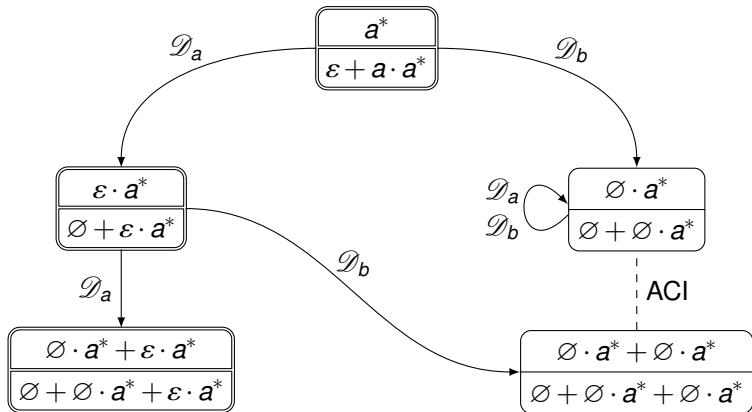




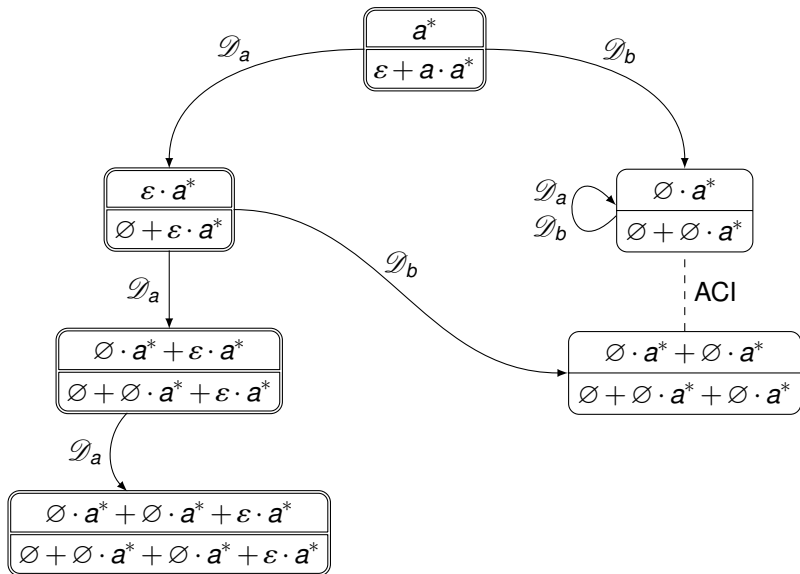
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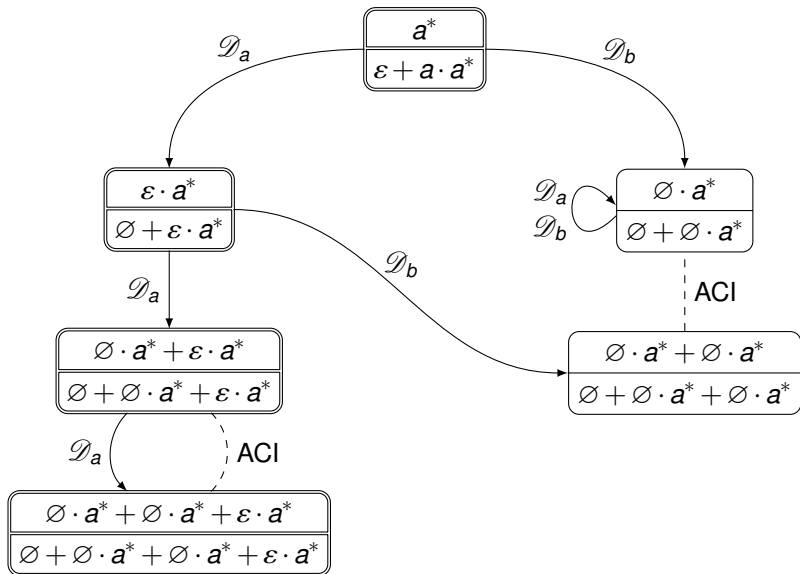
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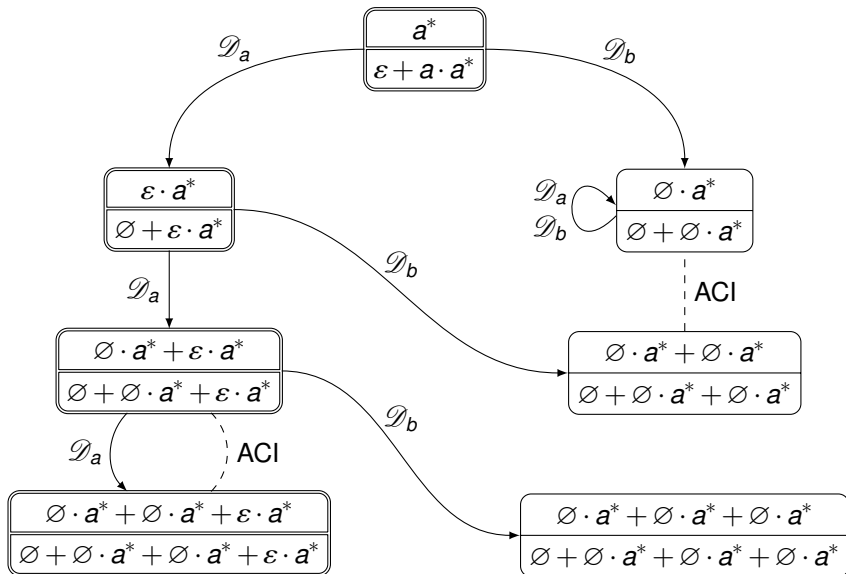
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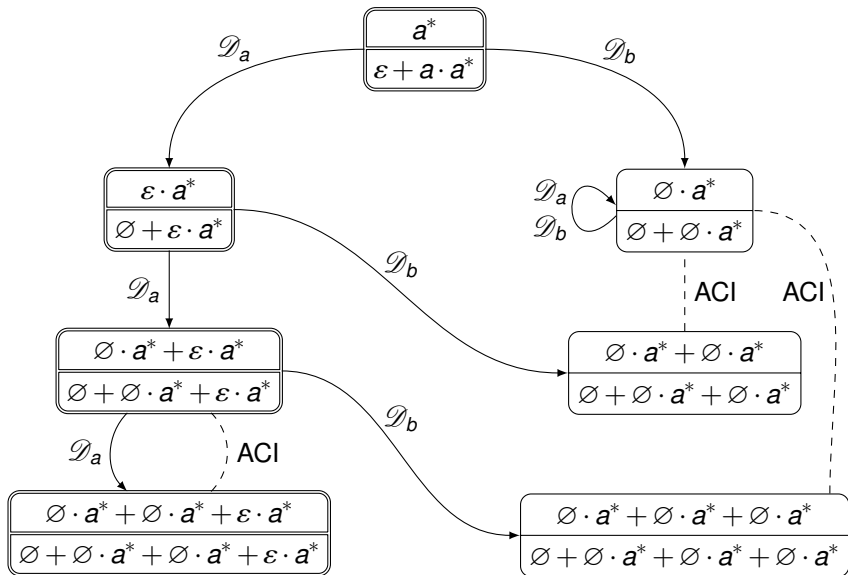
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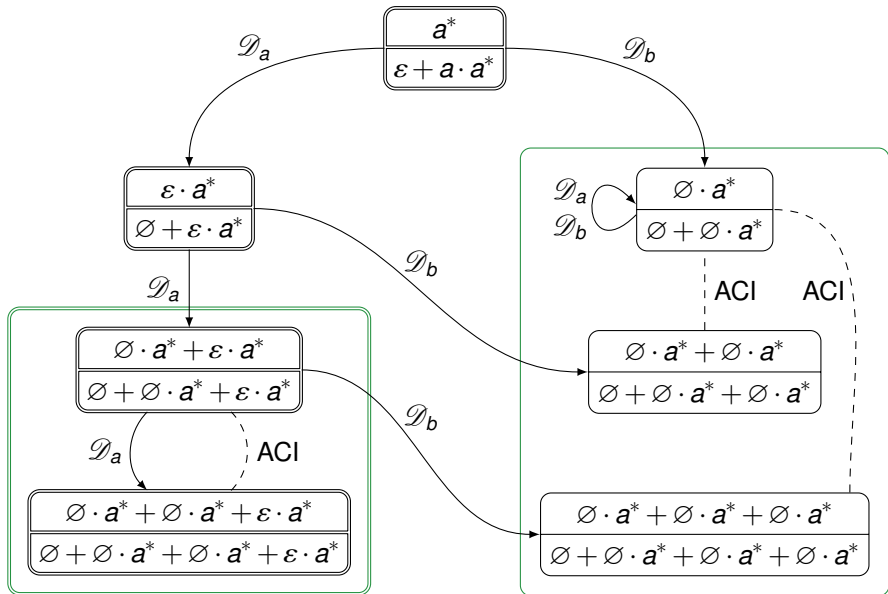
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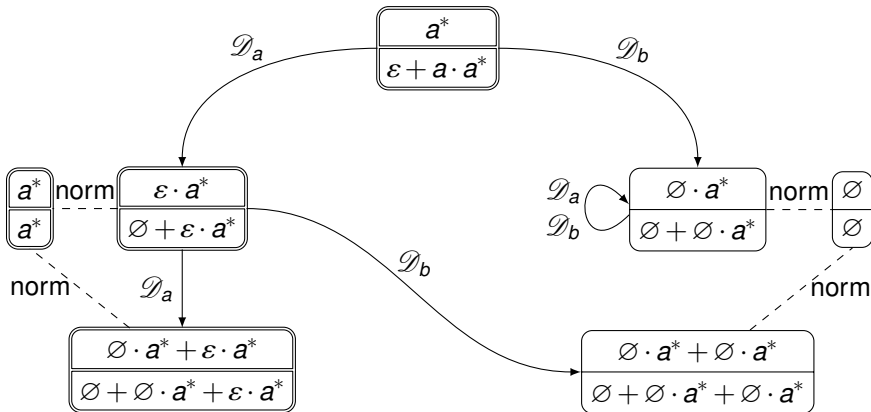
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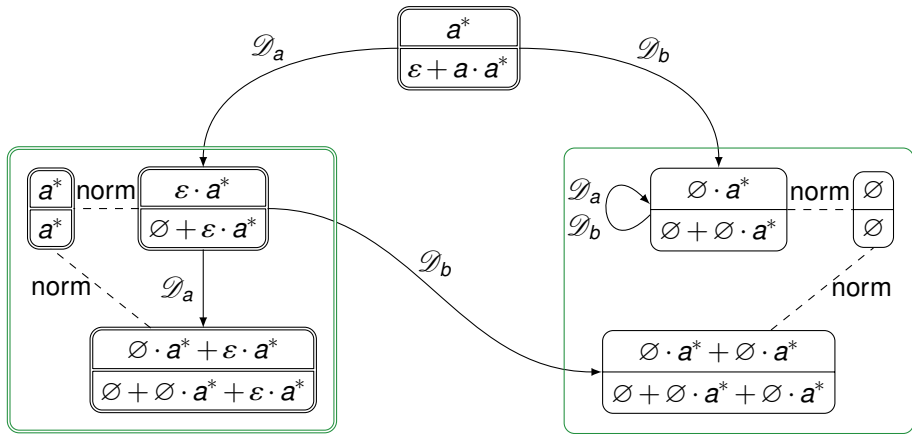


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$$\pi(a, bs) = (a, \text{tail } bs)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{-1}(a, bs) &= \{(a, bs') \mid \text{tail } bs' = bs\} \\ &= \{(a, 0bs), (a, 1bs)\} \end{aligned}$$

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