

Real-Time Systems

Lecture 10: PLC Automata

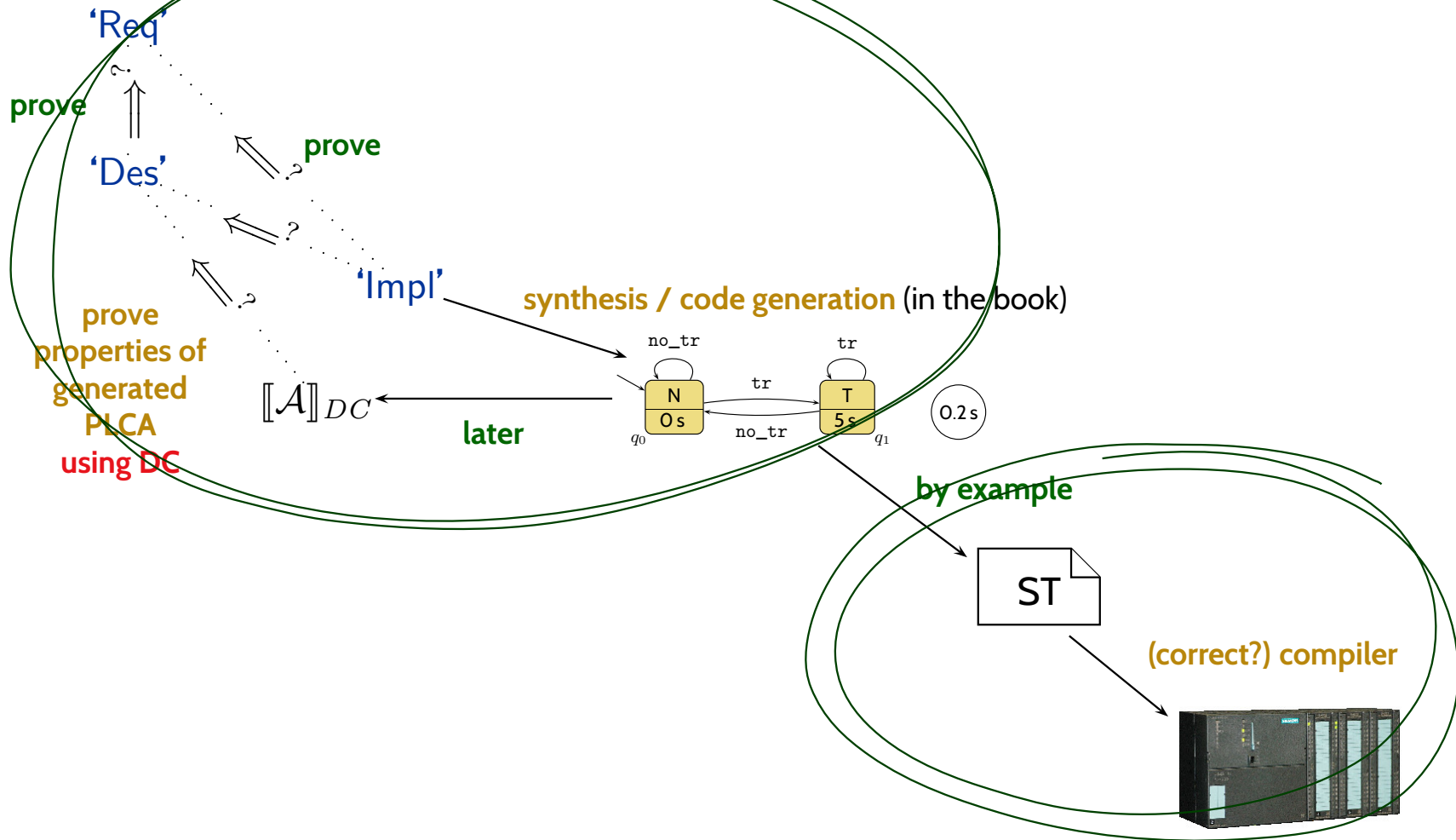
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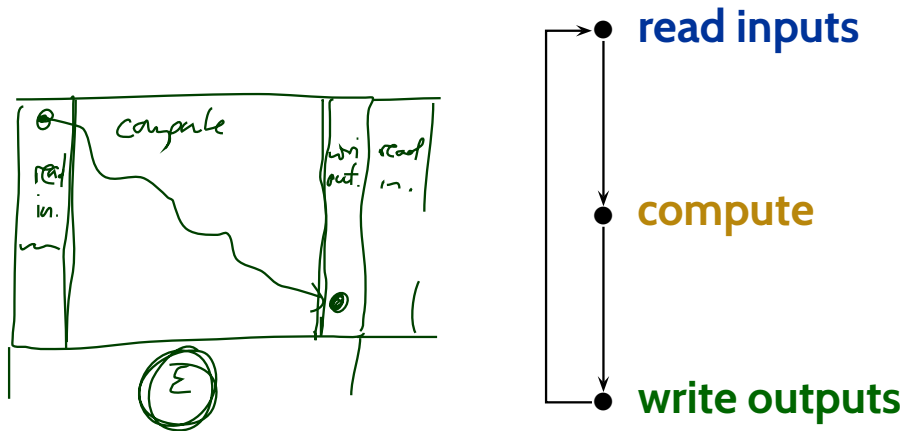
The Plan

Full DC DC Implementables PLC-Automata IEC 61131-3 Binary



How are PLC programmed?

- PLC have in common that they operate in a cyclic manner:



- Cyclic operation is repeated until external interruption (such as shutdown or reset).
- Cycle time: typically a few milliseconds (Lukoschus, 2004).
- Programming for PLC means providing the “compute” part.
- Input/output values are available via designated local variables.

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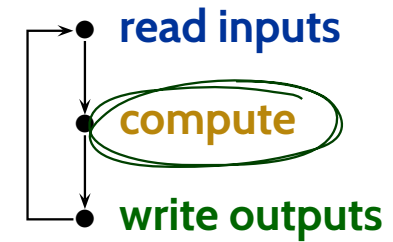
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- PLC are just **a formalisation** on a **good level of abstraction**:
 - inputs are **somehow** available as local variables,
 - outputs are **somehow** available as local variables,
 - **somehow**, inputs are polled and outputs are updated,
 - there is **some** interface to a real-time clock.

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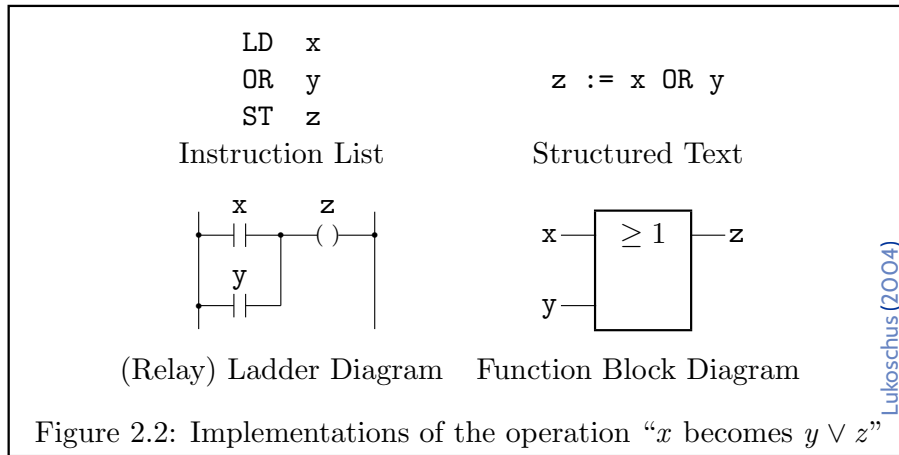
intuitive semantics:

- do the assignment
- if assignment changed *IN* from FALSE to TRUE (“rising edge on *IN*”) then set *tmr* to given duration (initially, *IN* is FALSE)

duration

TRUE: iff *tmr* is still running (here: if 5 s not yet elapsed)

Alternative Programming Languages by IEC 61131-3

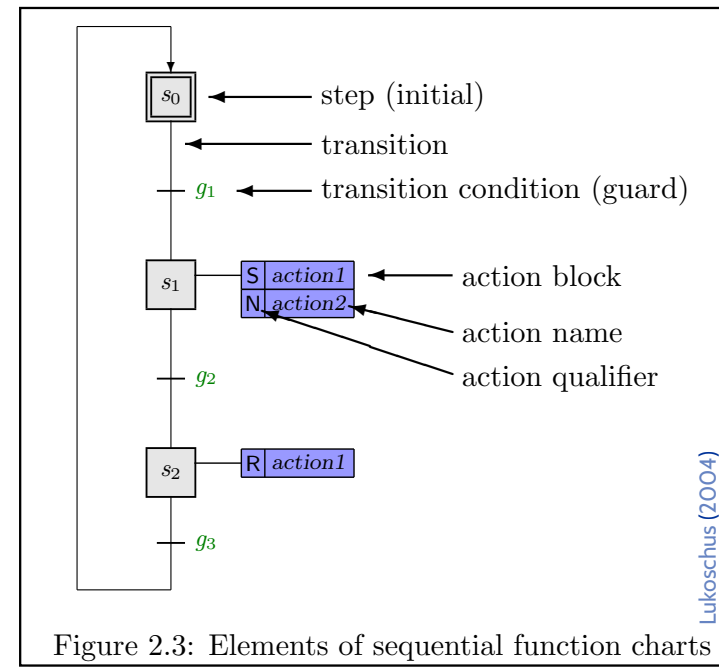


Lukoschus (2004)

Tied together by

- Sequential Function Charts (SFC)

Unfortunate: deviations
in semantics... [Bauer \(2003\)](#)



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Definition 5.2. A **PLC-Automaton** is a structure

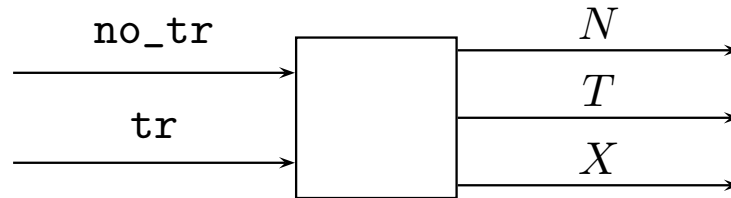
$$\mathcal{A} = (\underline{Q}, \underline{\Sigma}, \underline{\delta}, \underline{q_0}, \varepsilon, \underline{S_t}, S_e, \Omega, \omega)$$

where

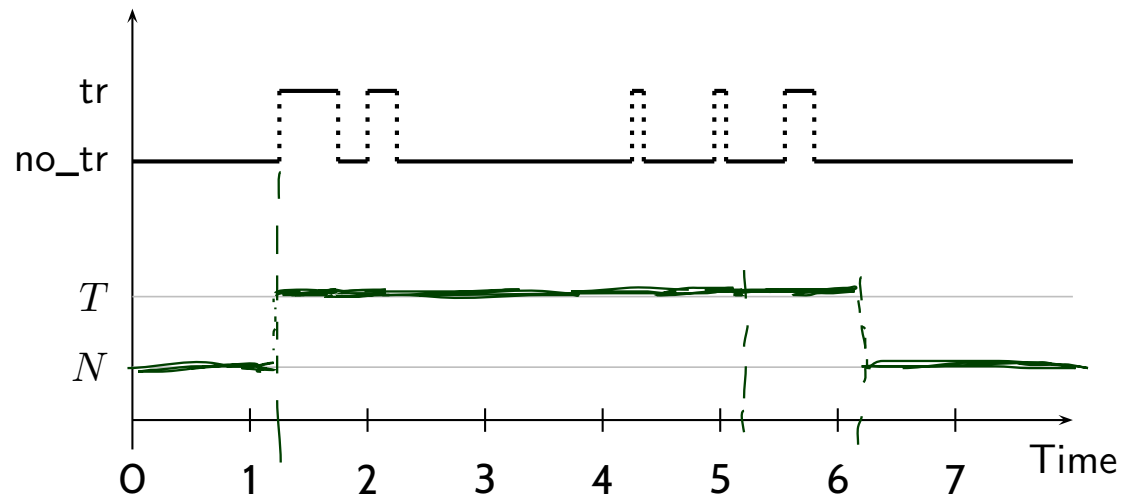
- $(q \in) Q$ is a finite set of **states**, $q_0 \in Q$ is the **initial state**,
- $(\sigma \in) \Sigma$ is a finite set of **inputs**,
- $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$ is the **transition function** (!),
- $S_t : Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$ assigns a **delay time** to each state,
- $S_e : Q \rightarrow 2^\Sigma$ assigns a set of **delayed inputs** to each state,
- Ω is a finite, non-empty set of **outputs**,
- $\omega : Q \rightarrow \Omega$ assigns an **output** to each state,
- ε is an **upper time bound** for the execution cycle.

Example: Stutter Filter

- **Idea:** a stutter **filter** with outputs N and T , for “no train” and “train passing” (and possibly X , for error).



After arrival of a train, it should ignore “no_tr” for 5 seconds.



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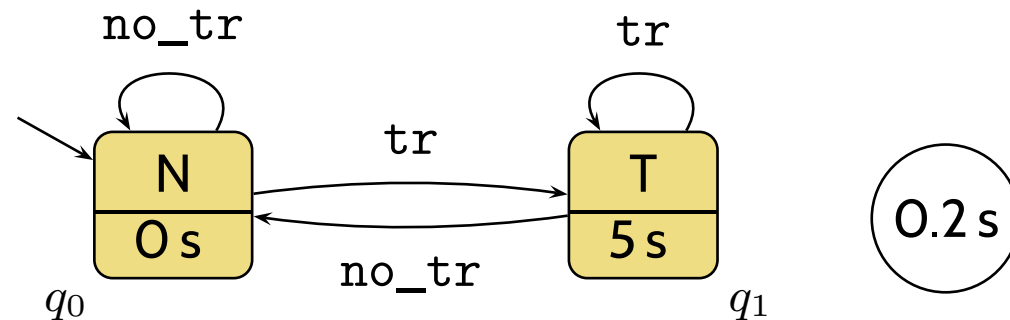
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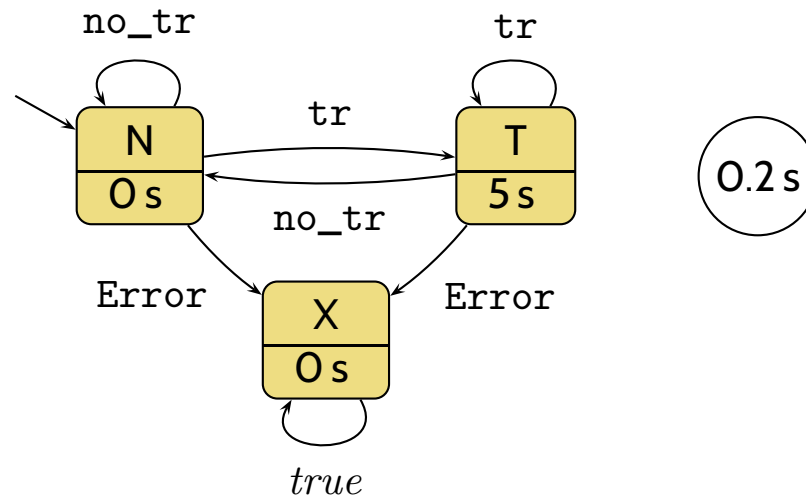
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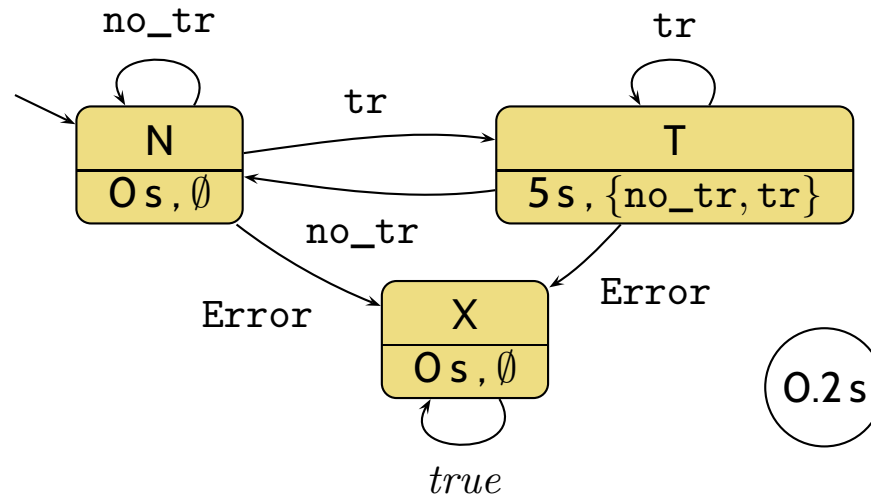
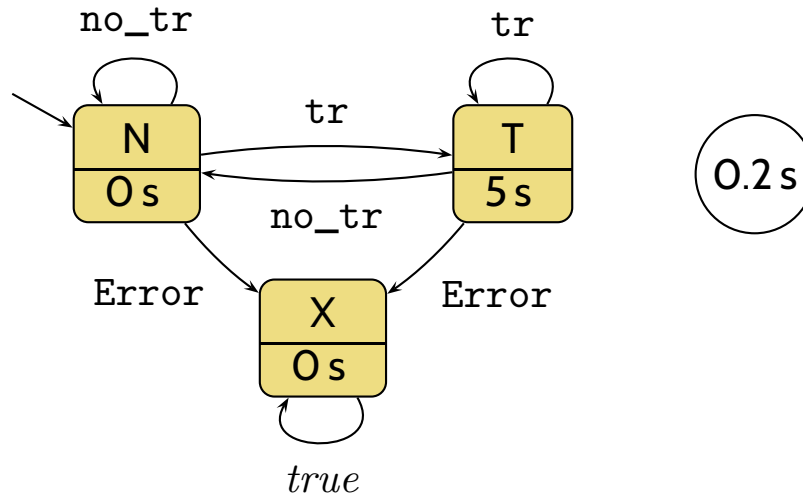
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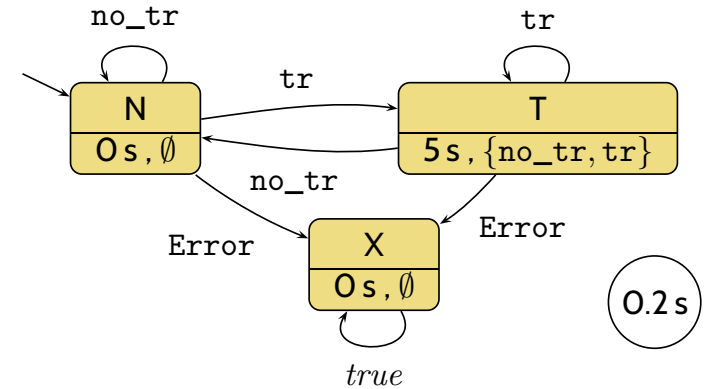


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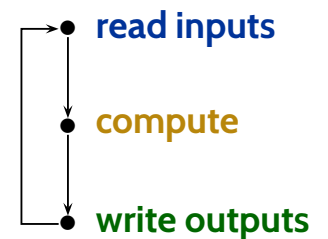


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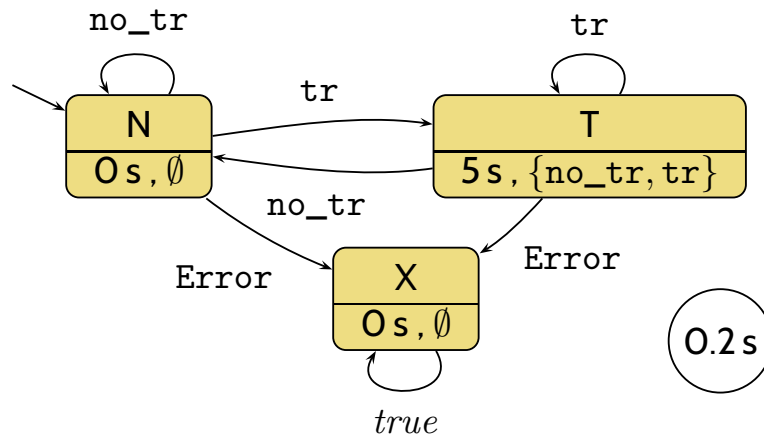
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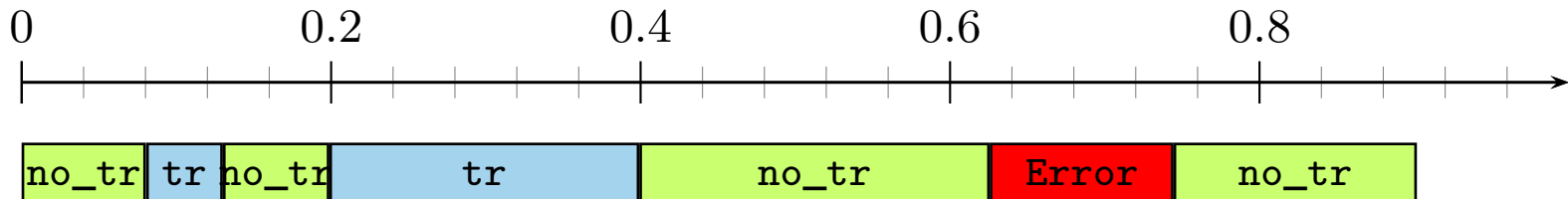


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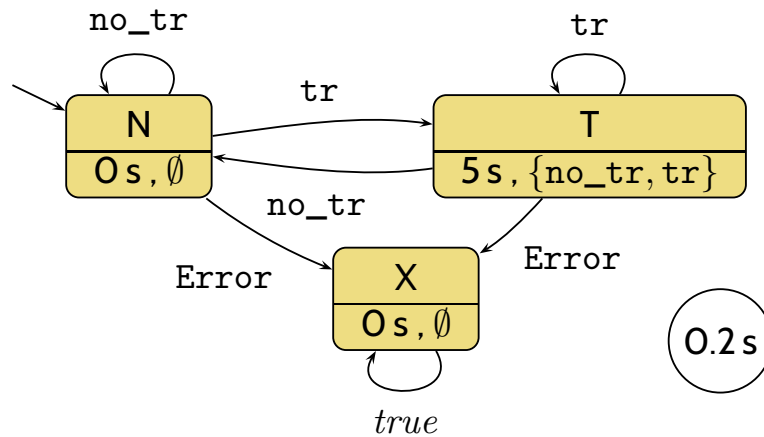


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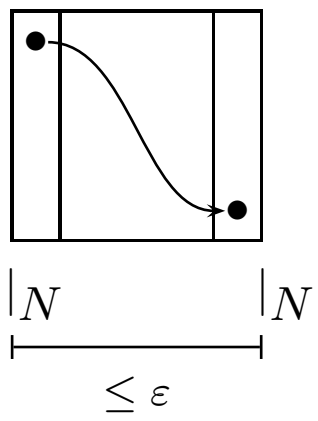
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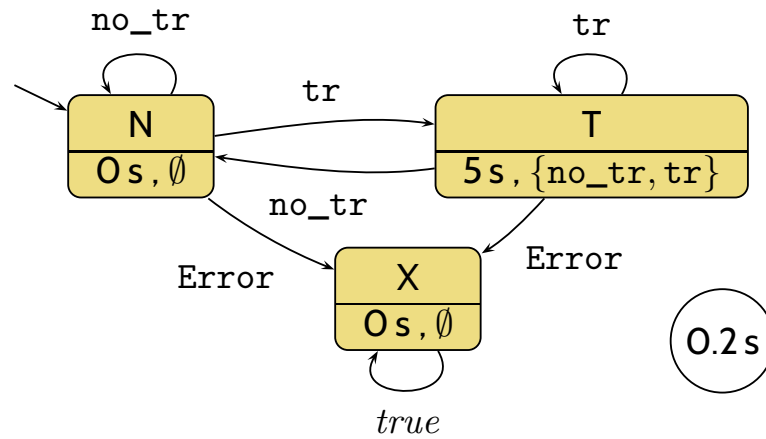
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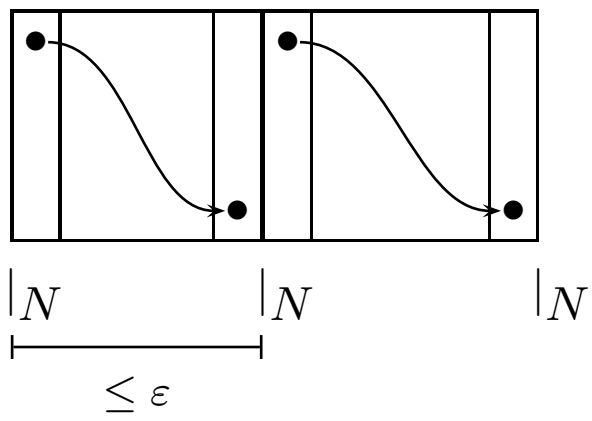
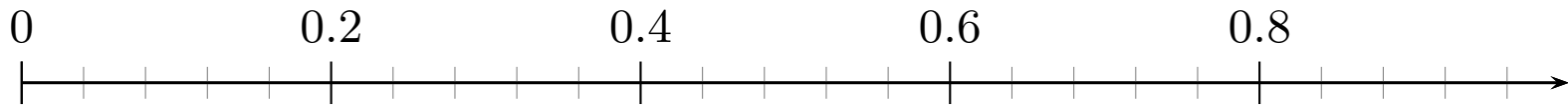
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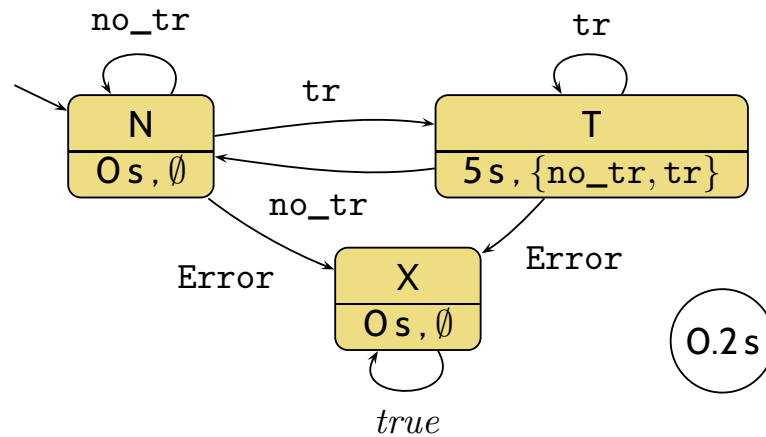
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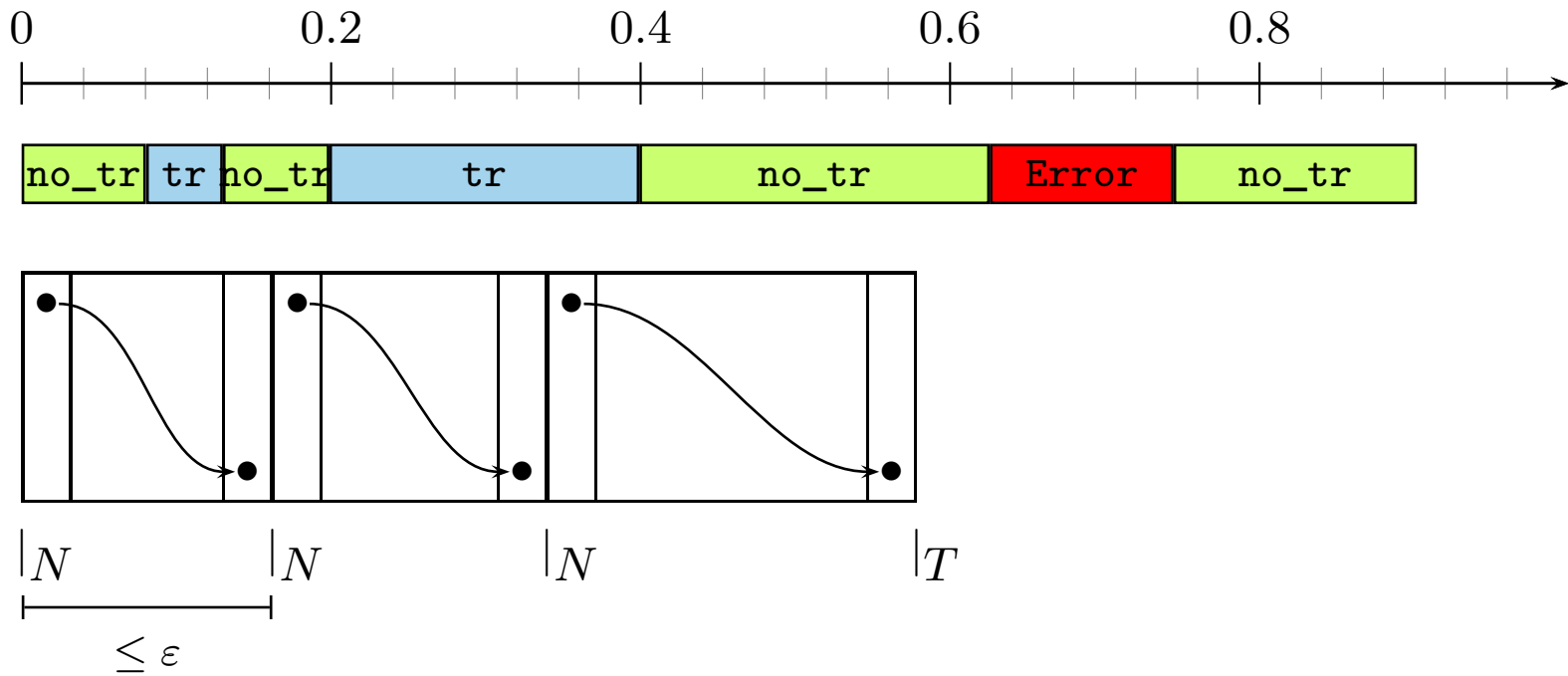
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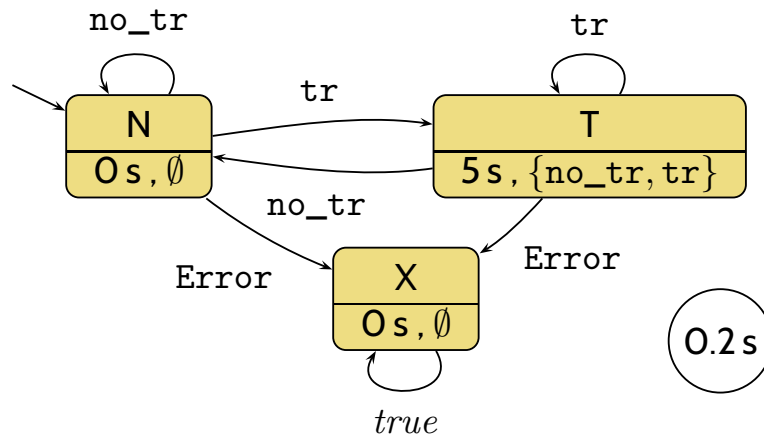
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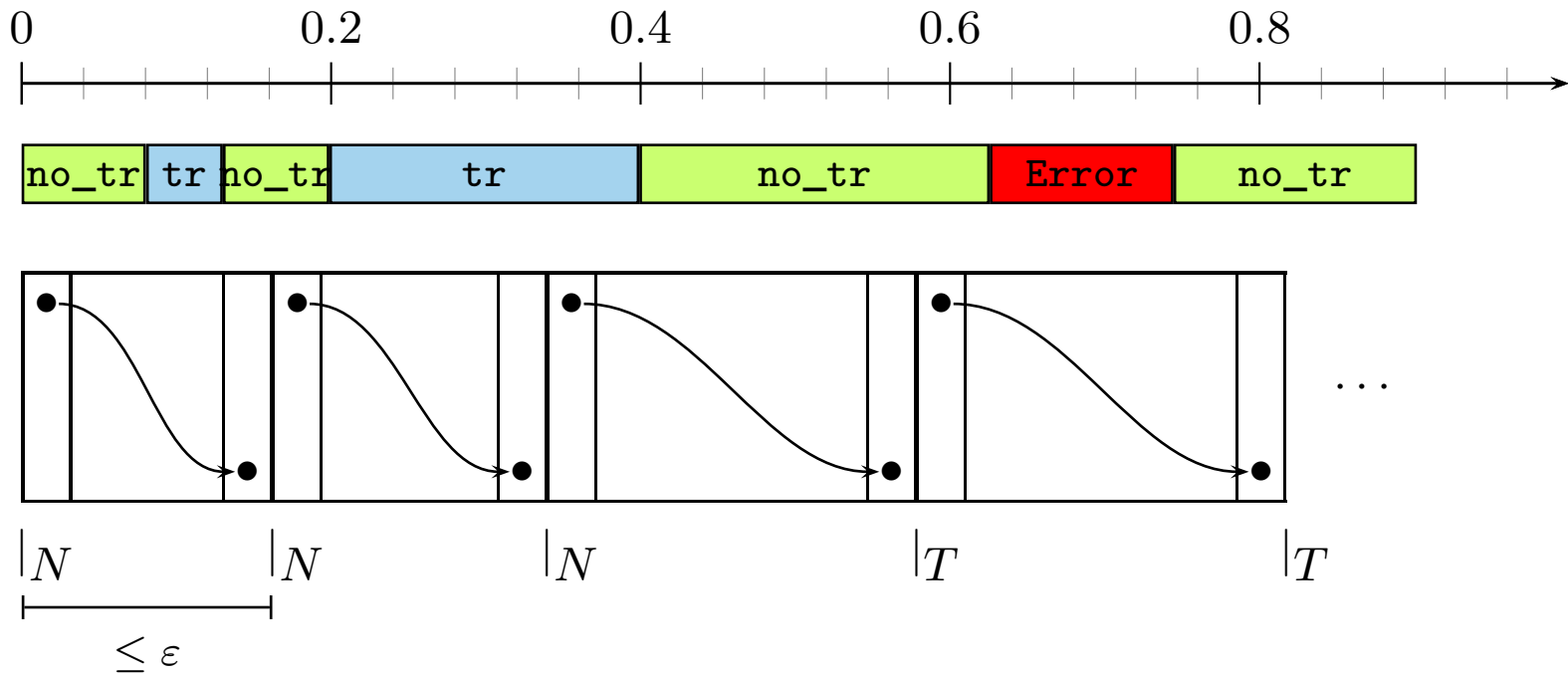
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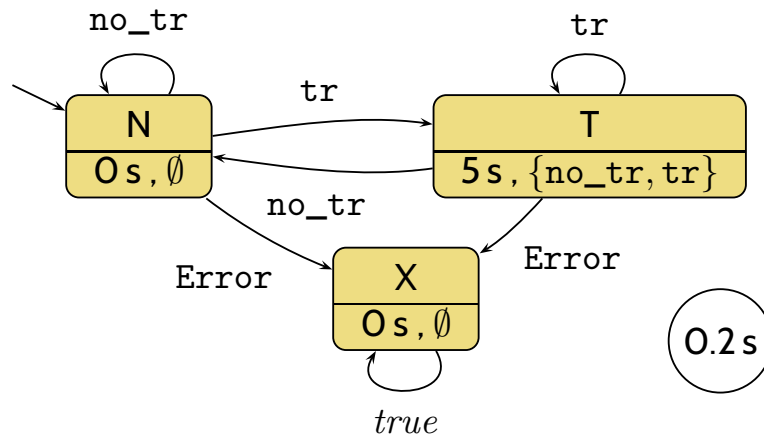
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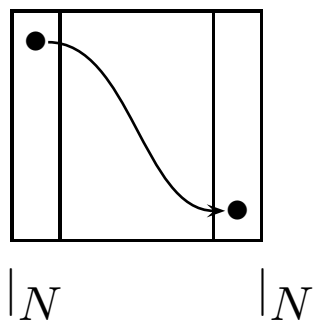
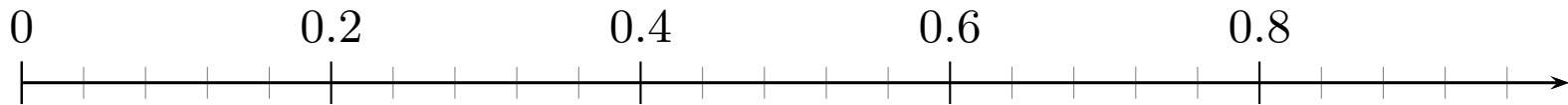


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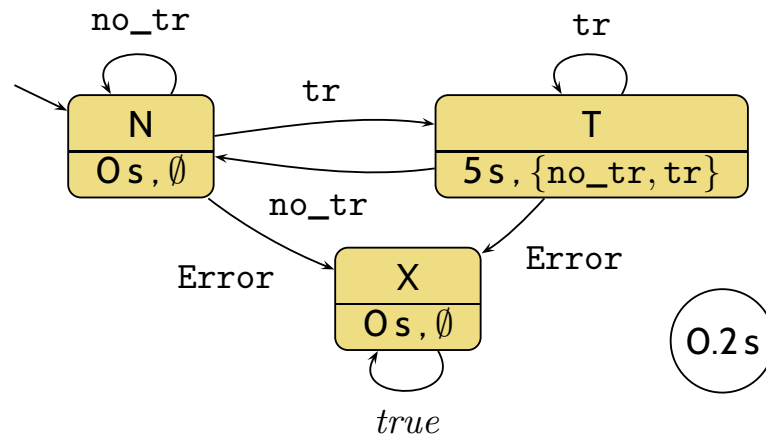


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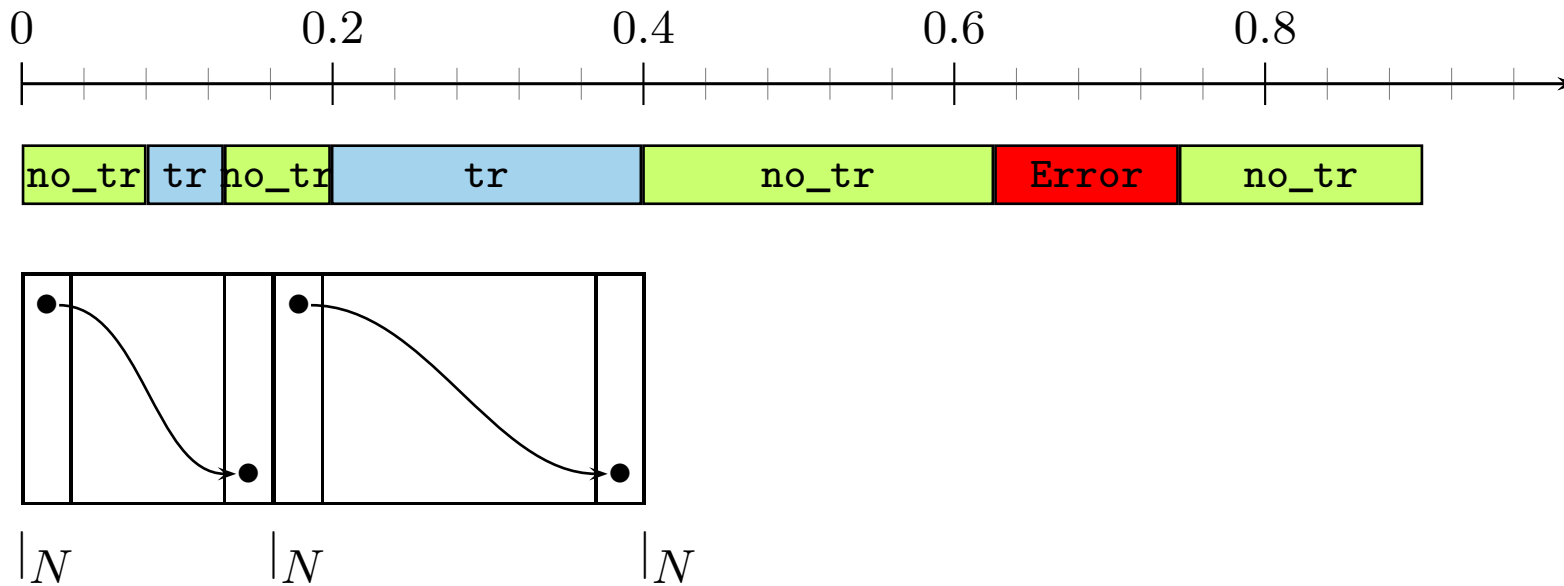
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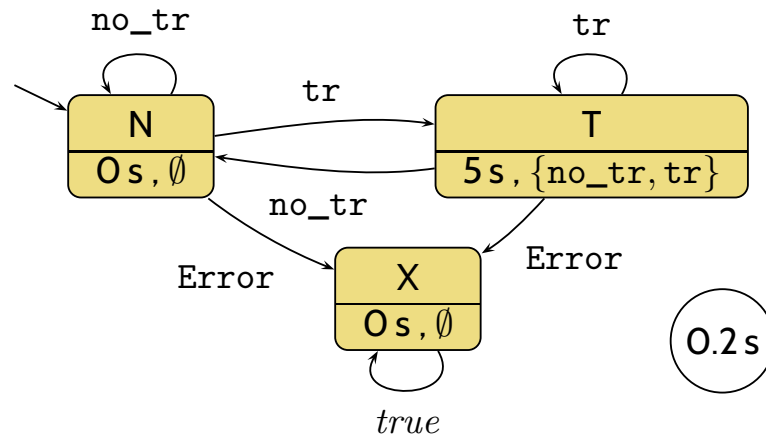
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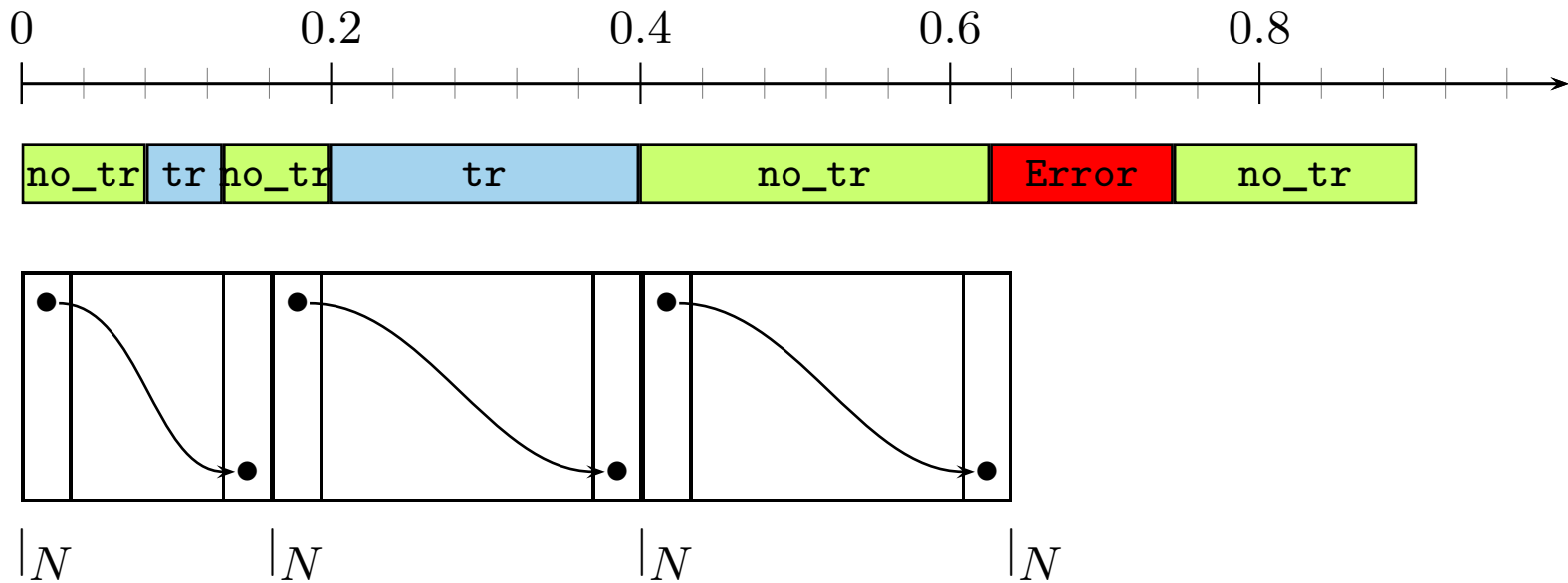


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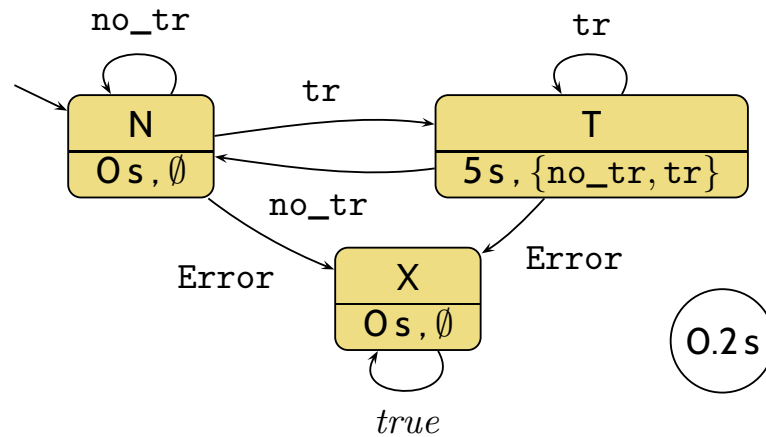


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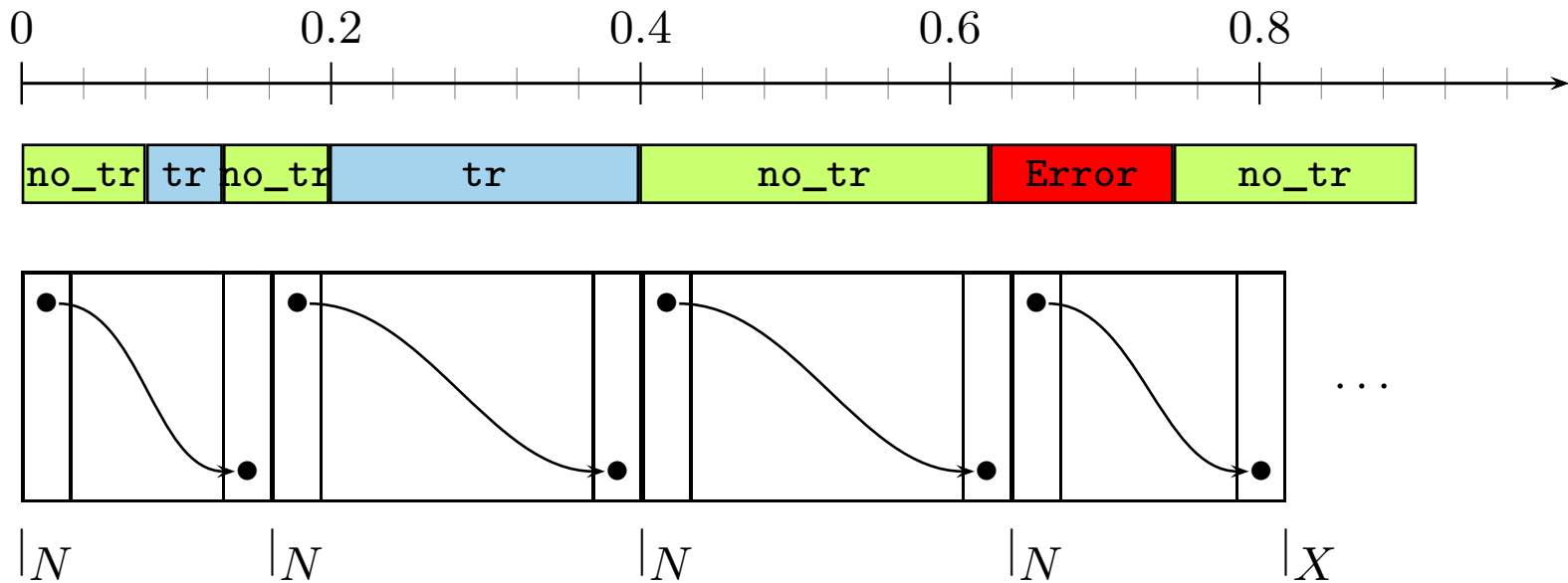


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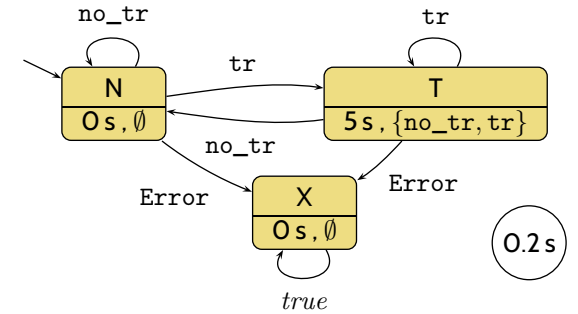
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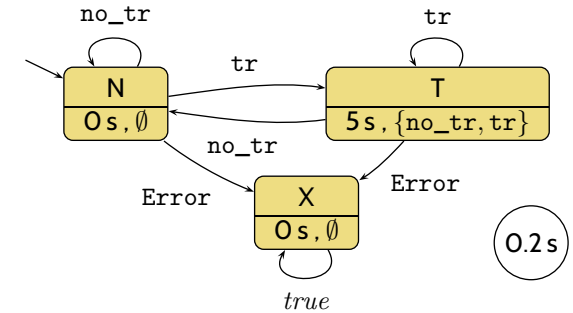
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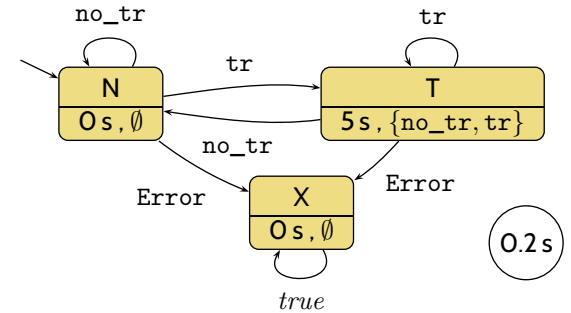
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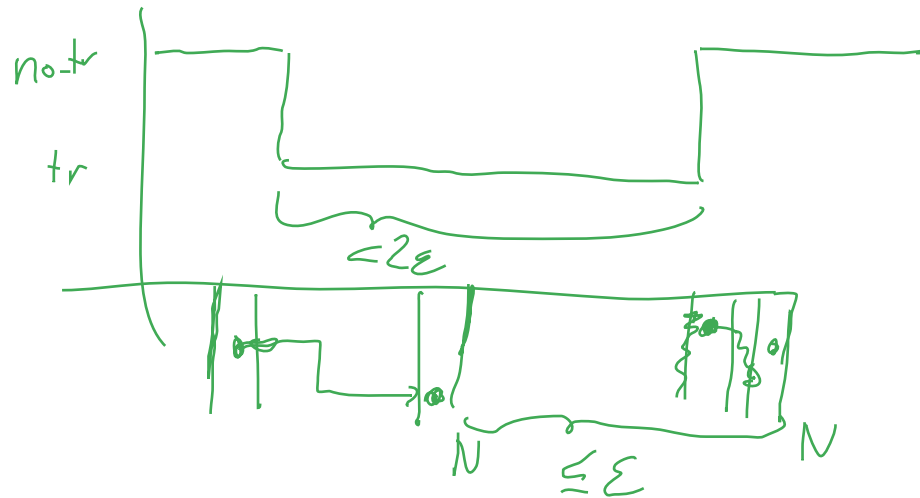
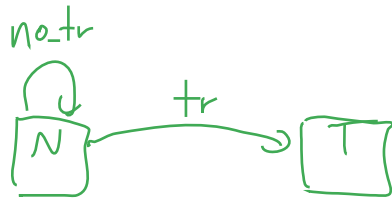
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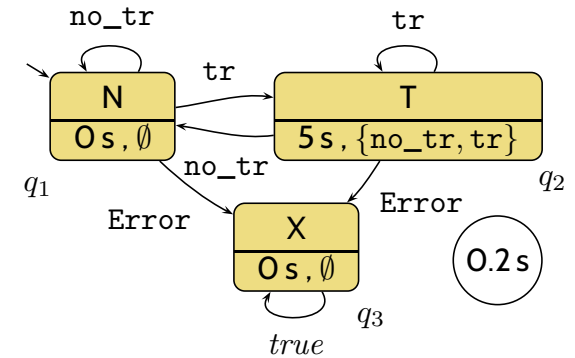
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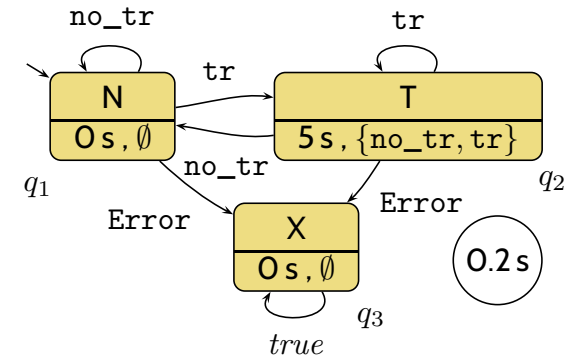
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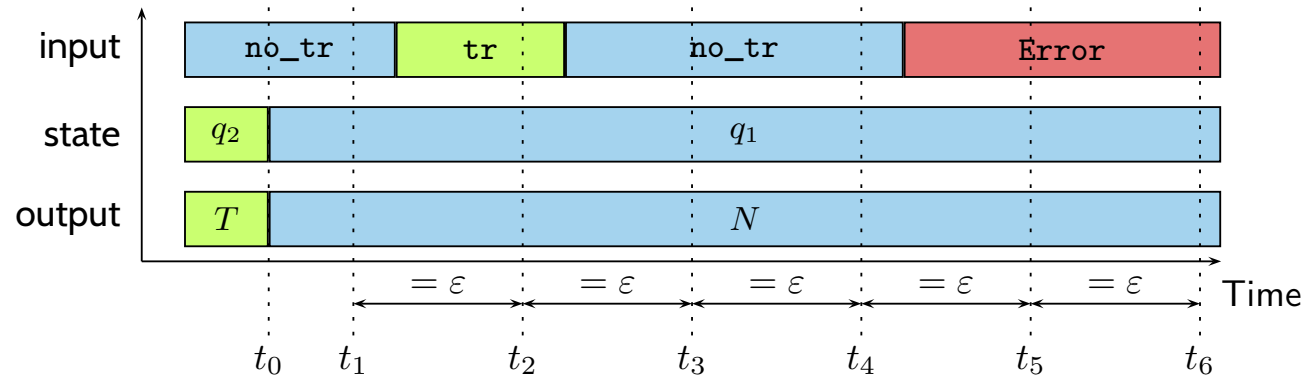
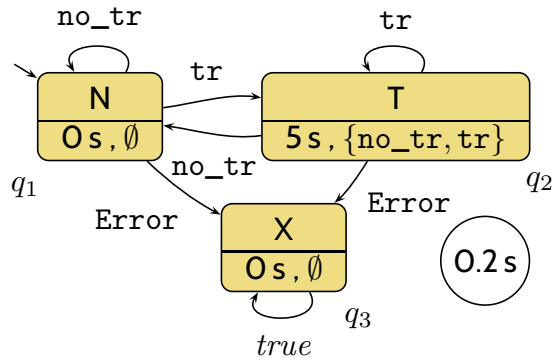
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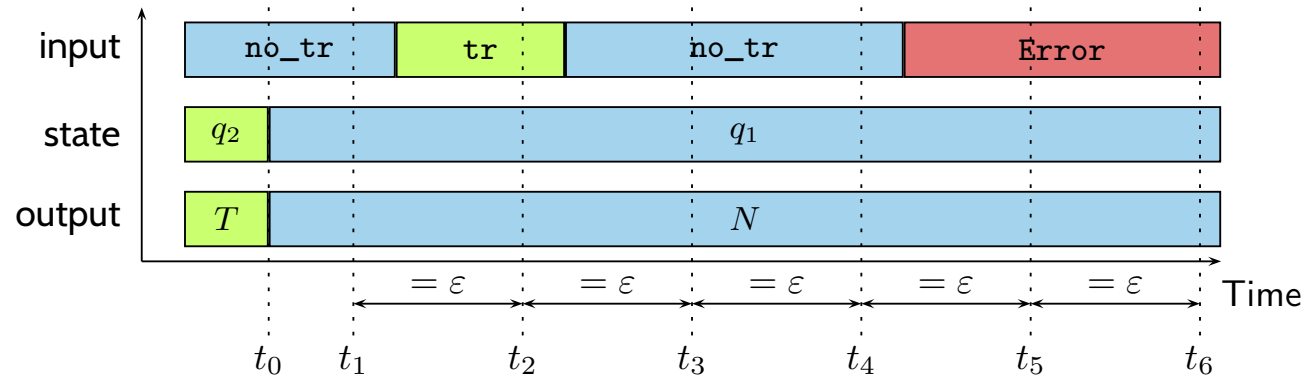
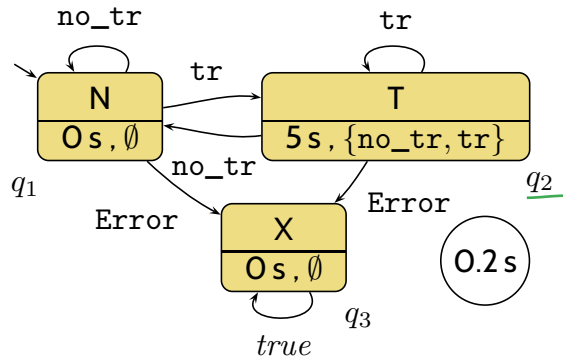


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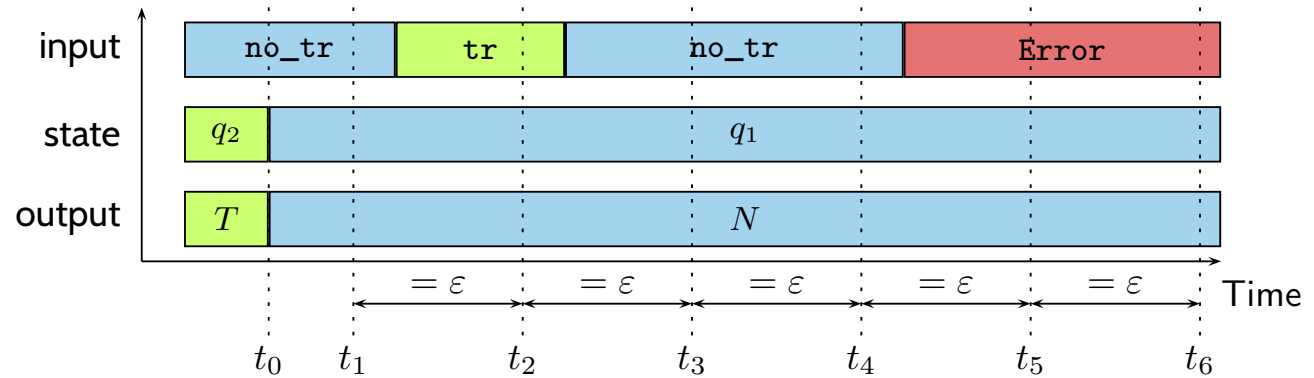
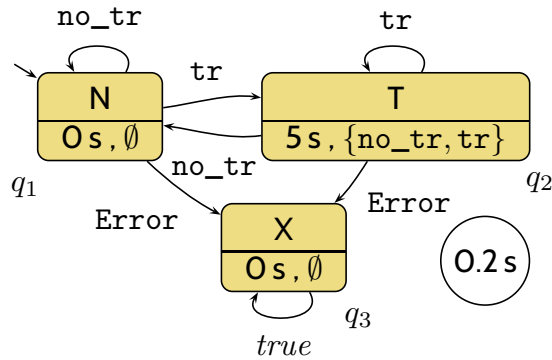


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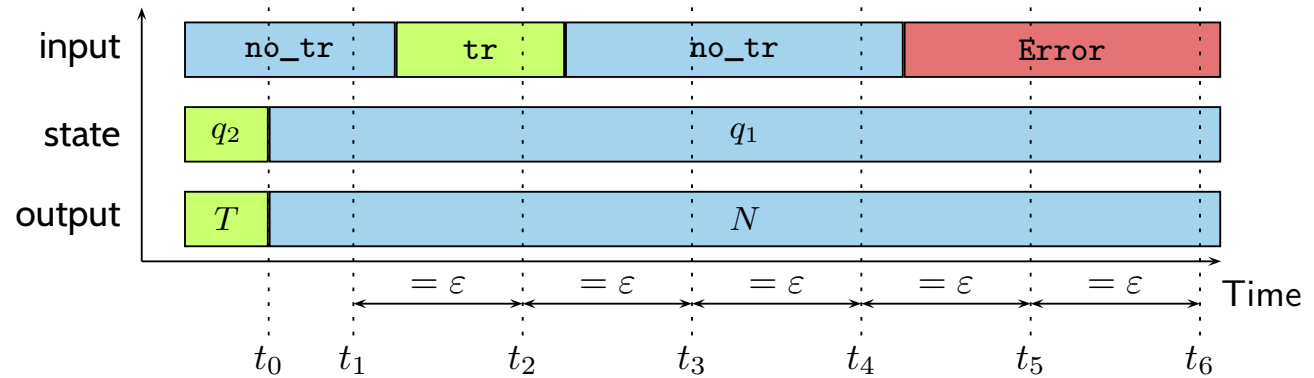
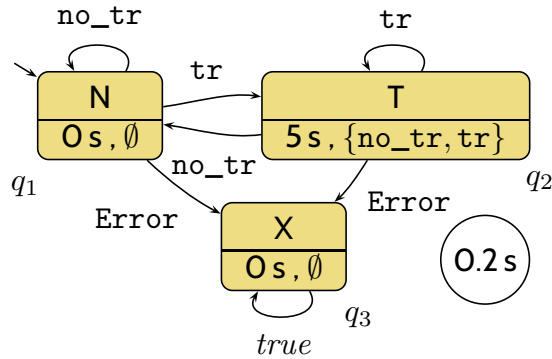
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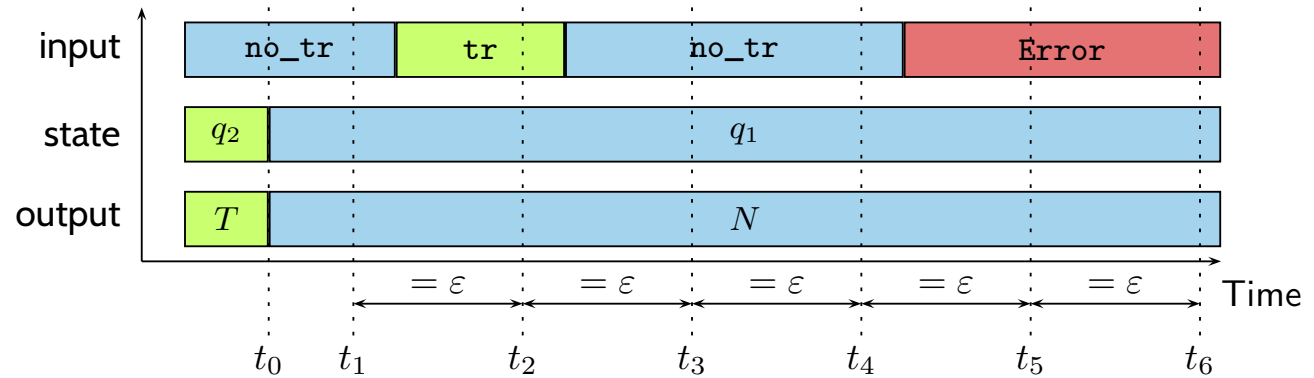
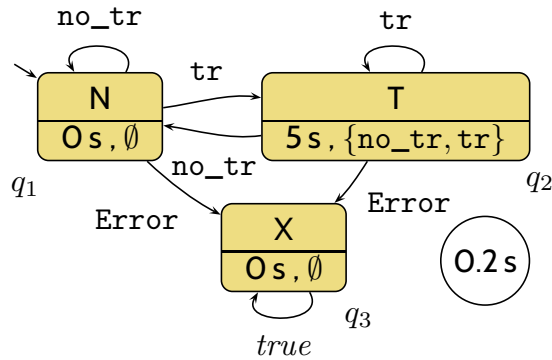


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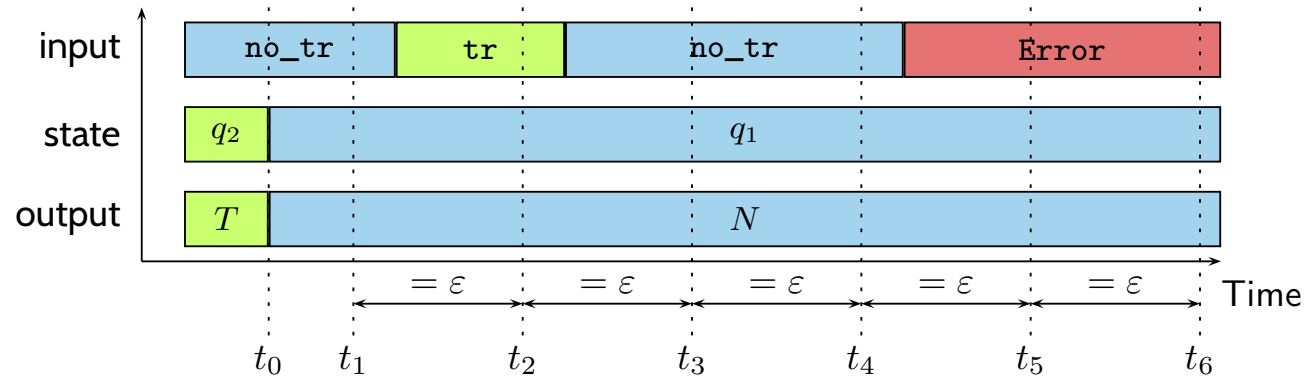
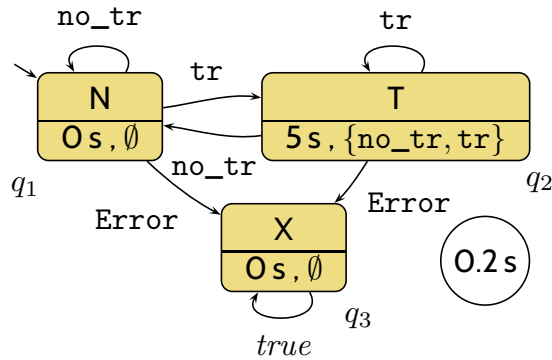


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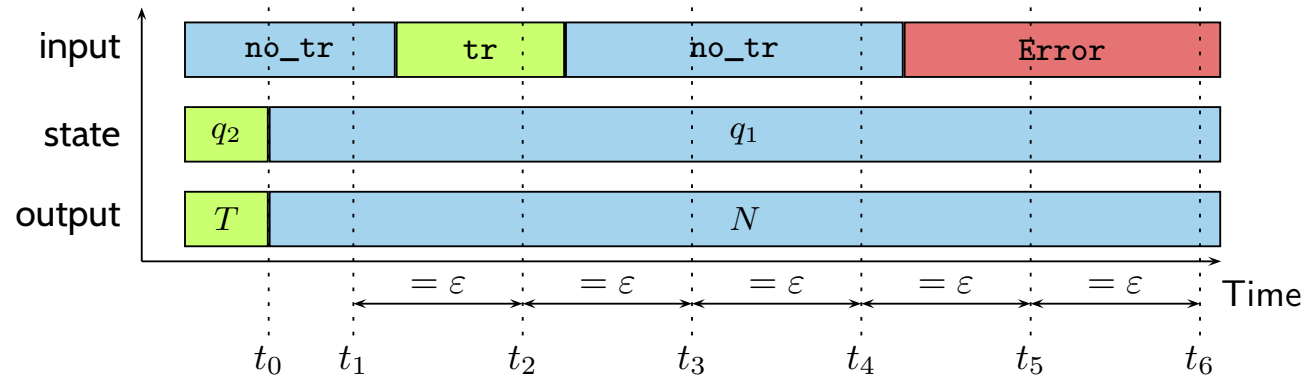
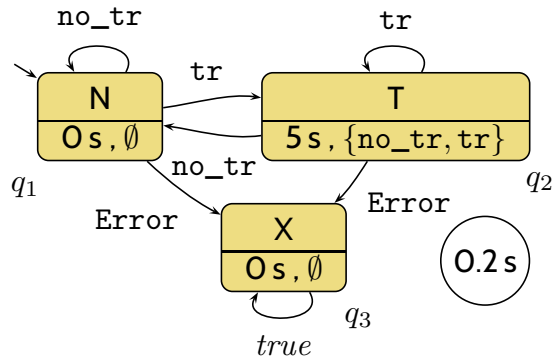


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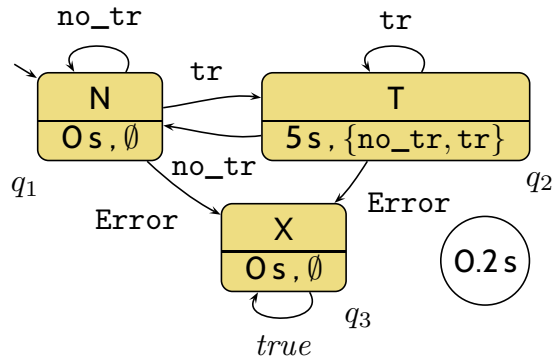
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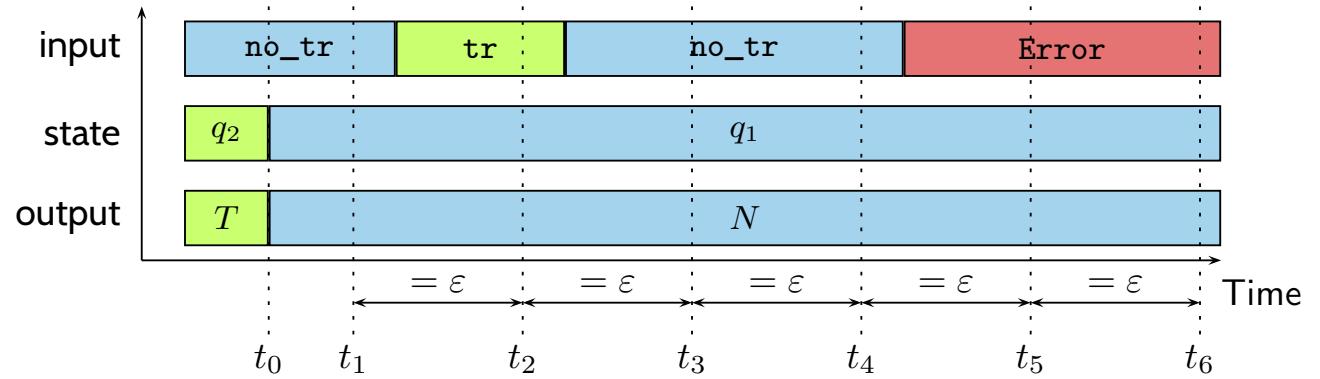
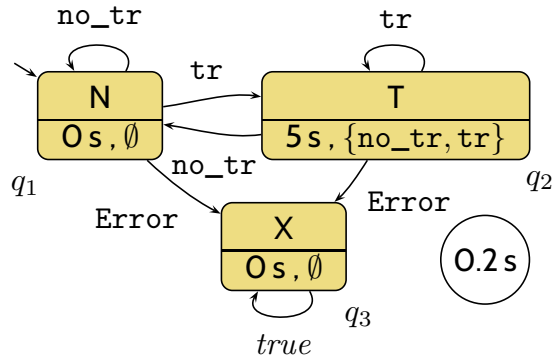
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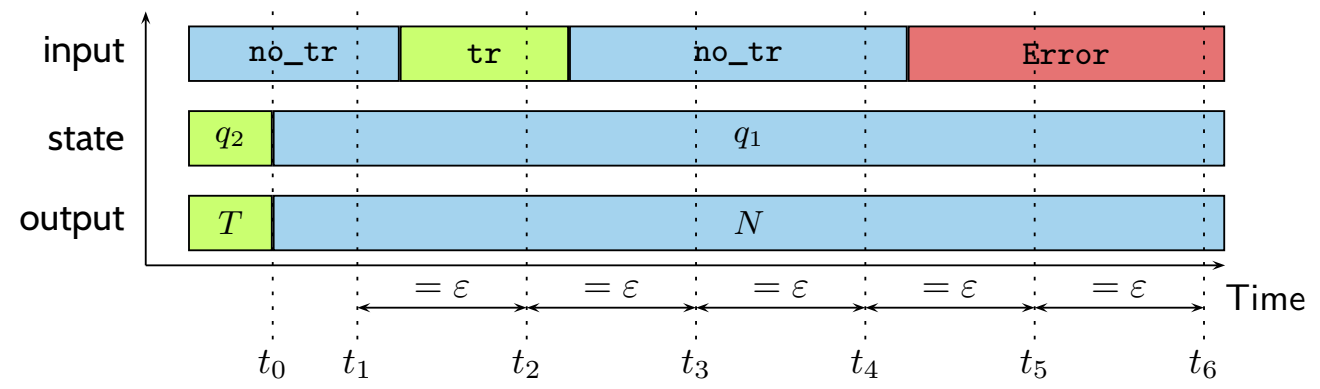
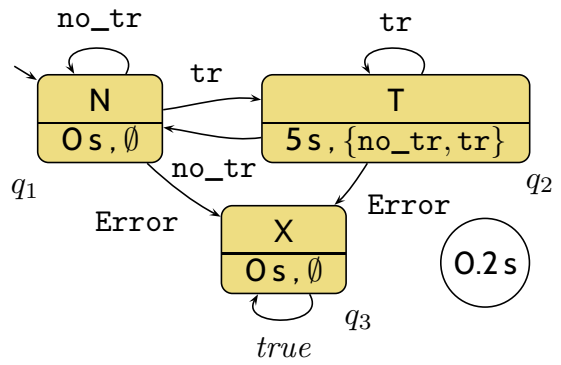
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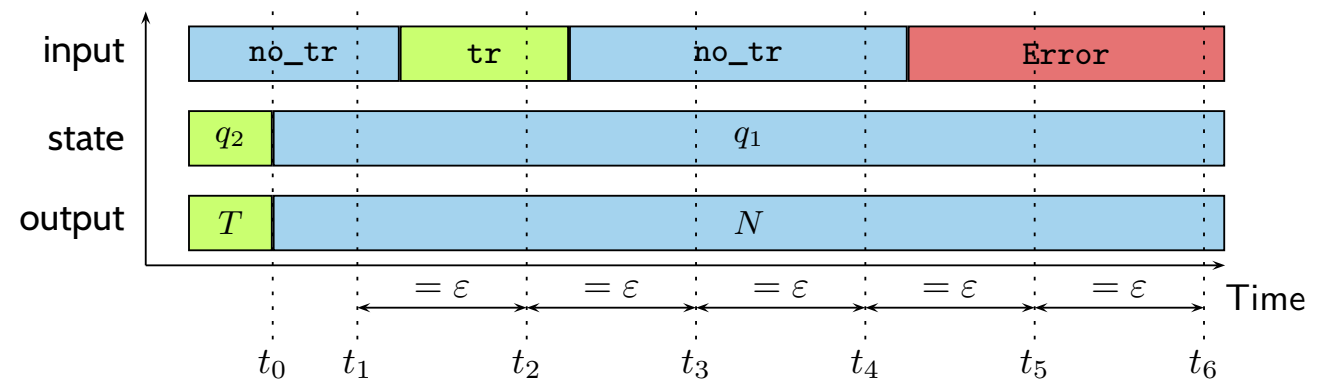
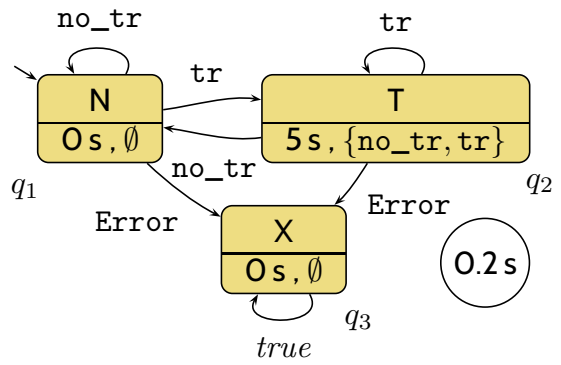
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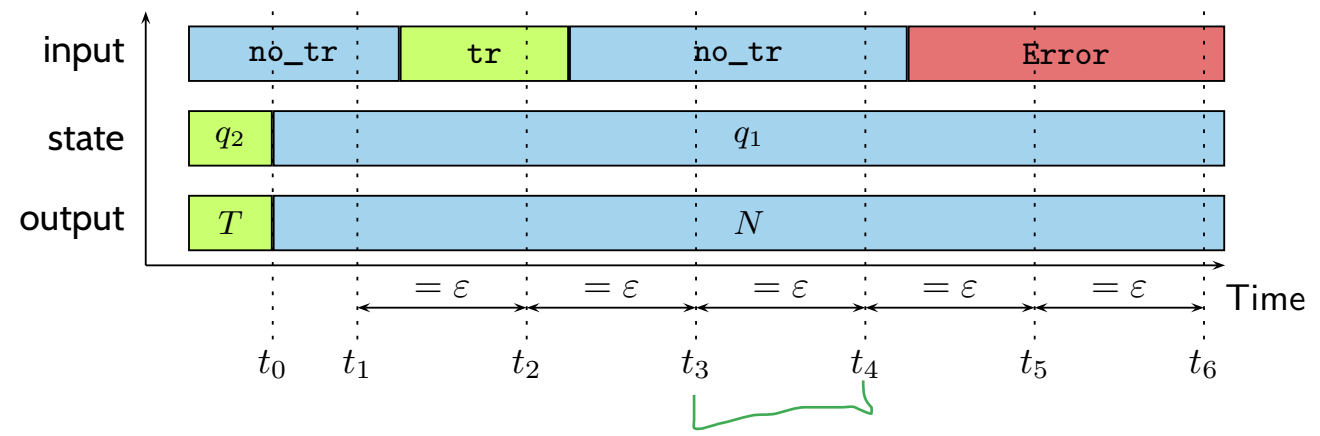
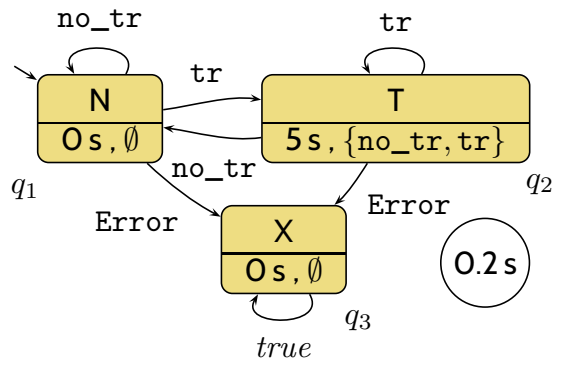
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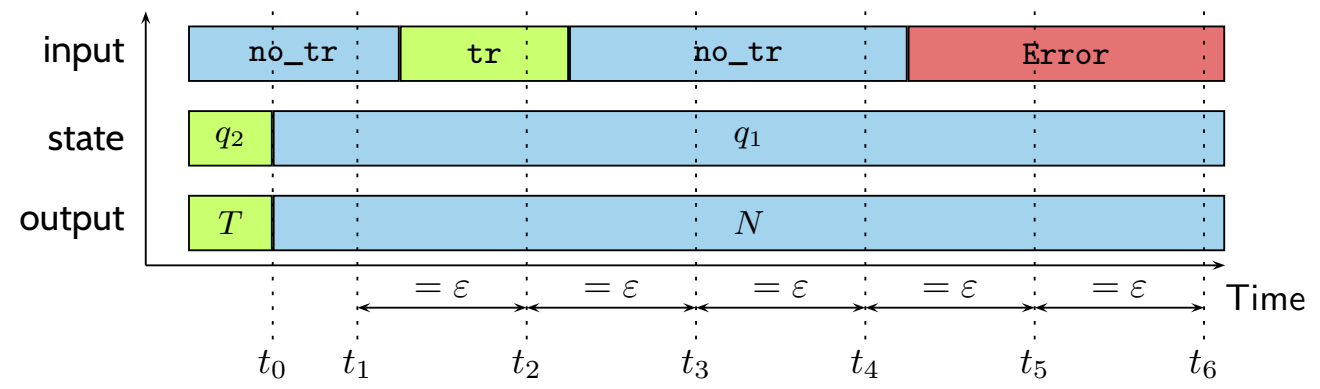
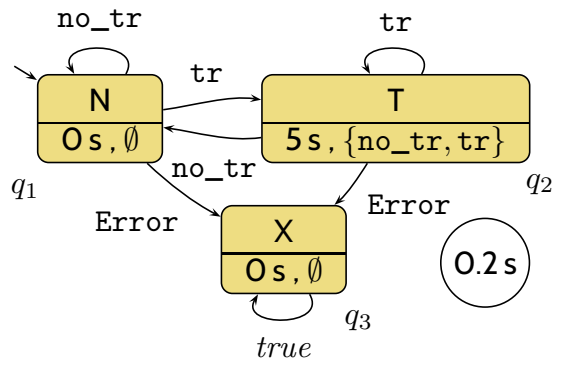
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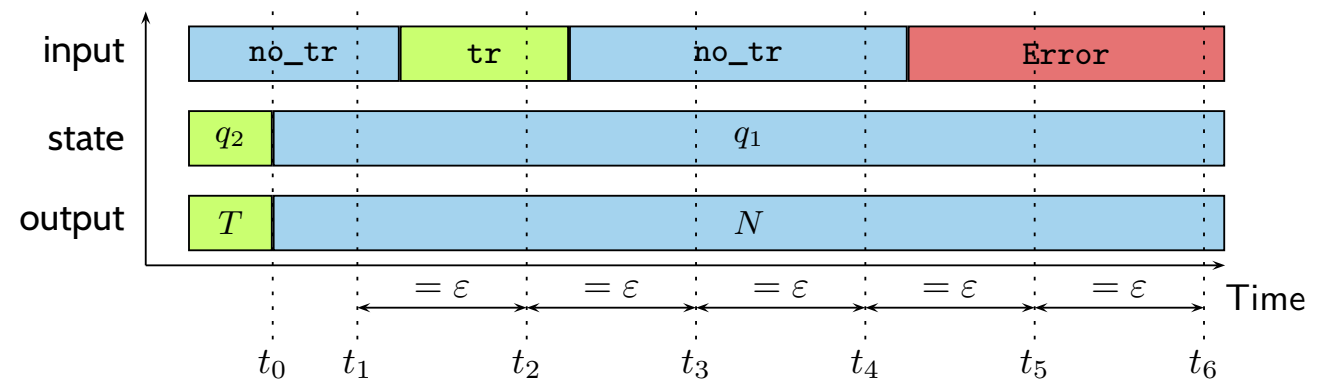
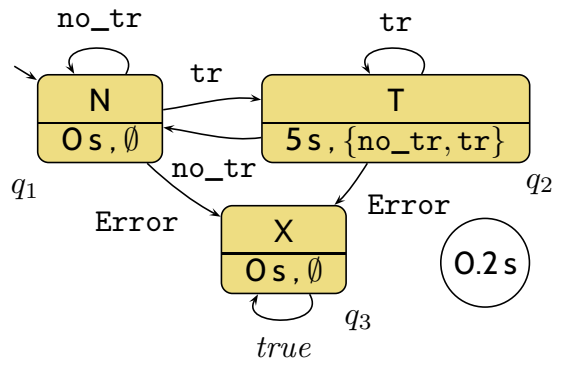
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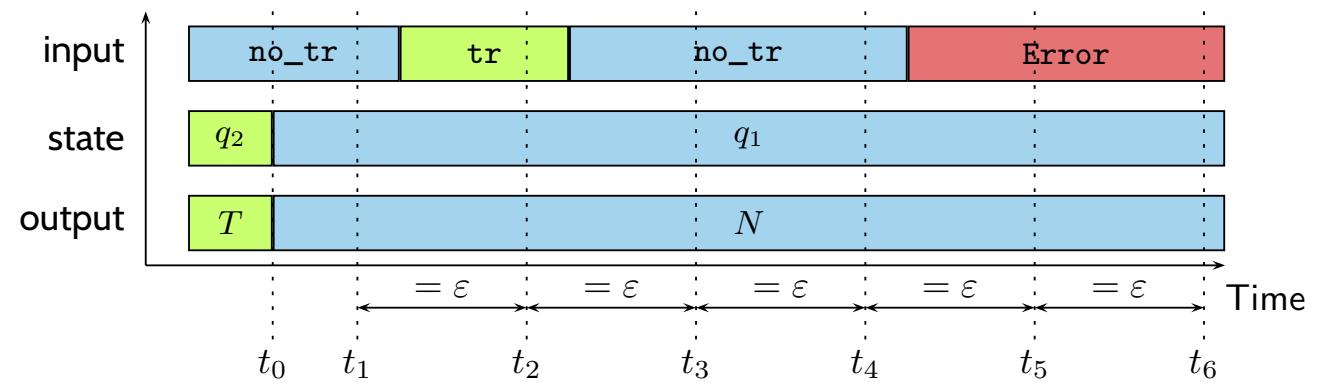
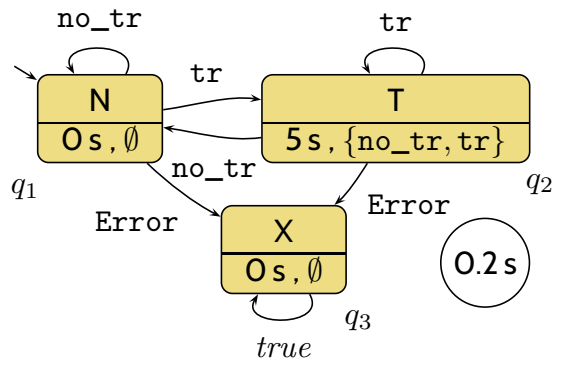
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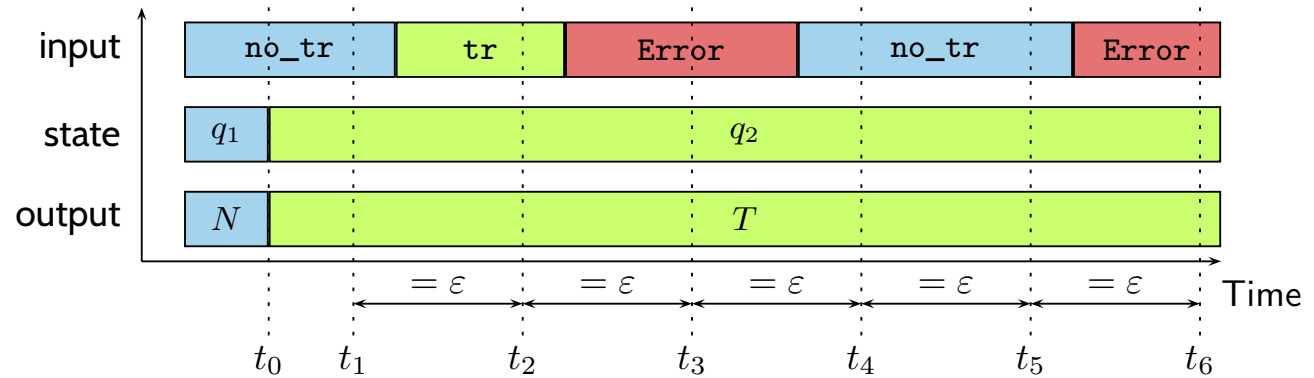
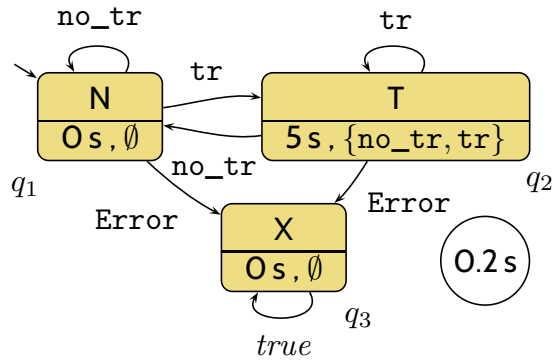
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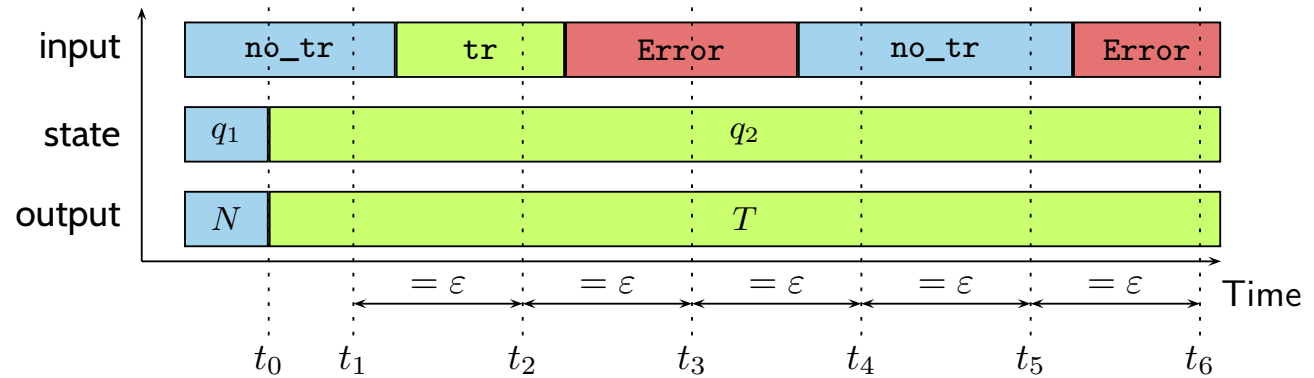
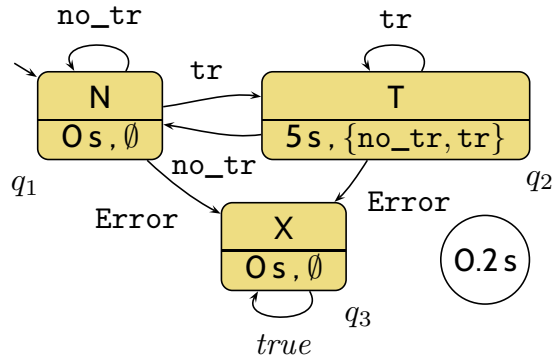
(DC-4): Delays



$$S_t(q) > 0 \implies [\neg q] ; [q \wedge A] \xrightarrow{\leq S_t(q)} [q \vee \delta(q, A \setminus S_e(q))] \quad (\text{DC-4})$$

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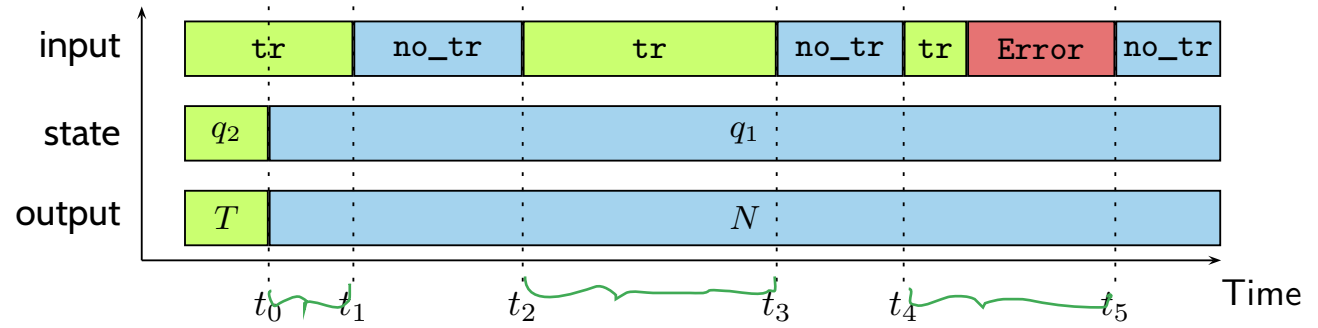
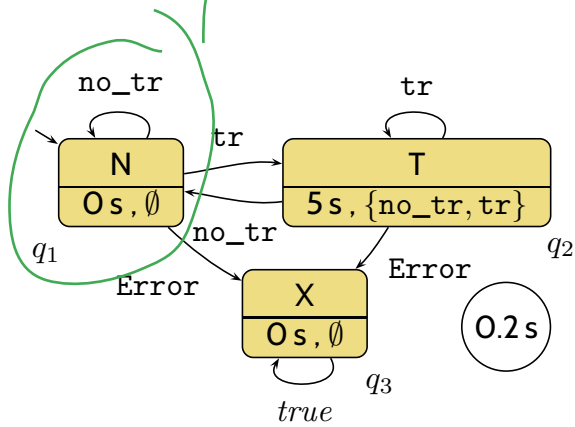
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$$S_t(q) > 0 \implies [\neg q] ; [q] ; [q \wedge A]^\epsilon \xrightarrow{\leq S_t(q)} [q \vee \delta(q, A \setminus S_e(q))] \quad (\text{DC-5})$$

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(DC-6) / (DC-7): Progress from non-delayed inputs



$$S_t(q) = 0 \wedge q \notin \delta(q, A) \implies \Box([q \wedge A] \implies \ell < 2\varepsilon) \quad (\text{DC-6})$$

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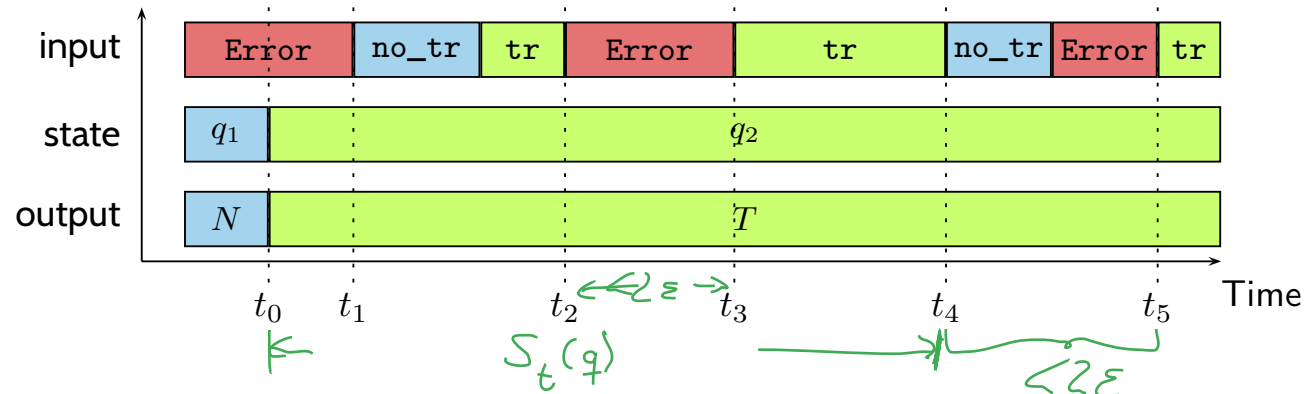
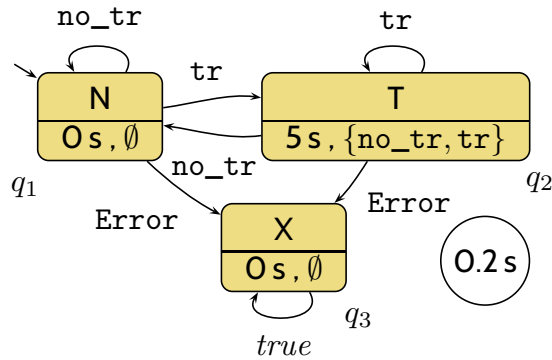
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(DC-8, DC-9, DC-10): Progress from delayed inputs



$$S_t(q) > 0 \wedge q \notin \delta(q, A) \quad \text{(DC-8)}$$

$$\implies \Box([q]^{S_t(q)} ; [q \wedge A] \implies \ell < S_t(q) + 2\epsilon)$$

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Definition 5.3.

The **Duration Calculus semantics** of a PLC Automaton \mathcal{A} is

$$\llbracket \mathcal{A} \rrbracket_{DC} := \bigwedge_{\substack{q \in Q, \\ \emptyset \neq A \subseteq \Sigma}} \text{DC-1} \wedge \dots \wedge \text{DC-11} \wedge \text{DC-2}' \wedge \text{DC-4}' \\ \wedge \text{DC-5}' \wedge \text{DC-7}' \wedge \text{DC-10}'.$$

Claim:

- Let $P_{\mathcal{A}}$ be the ST program semantics of \mathcal{A} .
- Let π be a recording over time of then inputs, local states, and outputs of a PLC device **running the ST** $P_{\mathcal{A}}$.
- Let \mathcal{I}_{π} be an **encoding** of π as an **interpretation** of $\text{In}_{\mathcal{A}}$, $\text{St}_{\mathcal{A}}$, and $\text{Out}_{\mathcal{A}}$.
- Then $\mathcal{I}_{\pi} \models \llbracket \mathcal{A} \rrbracket_{DC}$. (But not necessarily the other way round.)

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- We will give a theorem,
which allows us to compute an upper bound on such reaction times.
- Then in the above example, we could simply compare this upper bound one
against the required 0.1 seconds.

The Reaction Time Problem in General

- Let
 - $\Pi \subseteq Q$ be a set of **start states**,
 - $A \subseteq \Sigma$ be a set of **inputs**,
 - $c \in \text{Time}$ be a **time bound**, and
 - $\Pi_{target} \subseteq Q$ be a set of **target states**.
- Then we seek to establish properties of the form

$$[\text{St}_{\mathcal{A}} \in \Pi \wedge \text{In}_{\mathcal{A}} \in A] \xrightarrow{c} [\text{St}_{\mathcal{A}} \in \Pi_{target}],$$

abbreviated as

$$[\Pi \wedge A] \xrightarrow{c} [\Pi_{target}].$$

Reaction Time Theorem Premises

- Actually, the reaction time theorem addresses **only** the **special case**

$$[\Pi \wedge A] \xrightarrow{c_n} \underbrace{[\delta^n(\Pi, A)]}_{=\Pi_{target}}$$

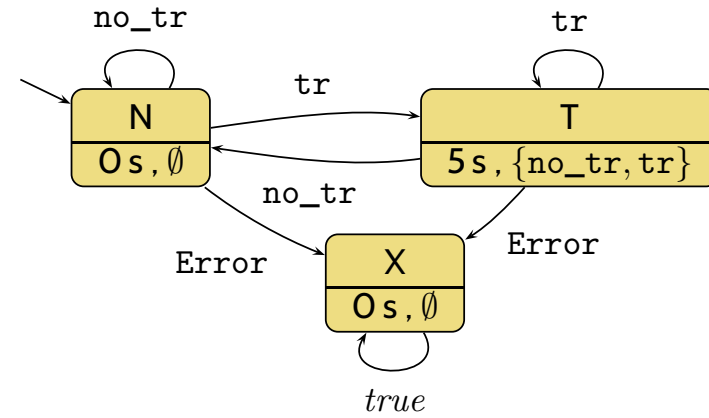
for PLC Automata with

$$\delta(\Pi, A) \subseteq \Pi.$$

- Where the transition function is canonically **extended** to **sets** of start states and inputs:

$$\delta(\Pi, A) := \{\delta(q, a) \mid q \in \Pi \wedge a \in A\}.$$

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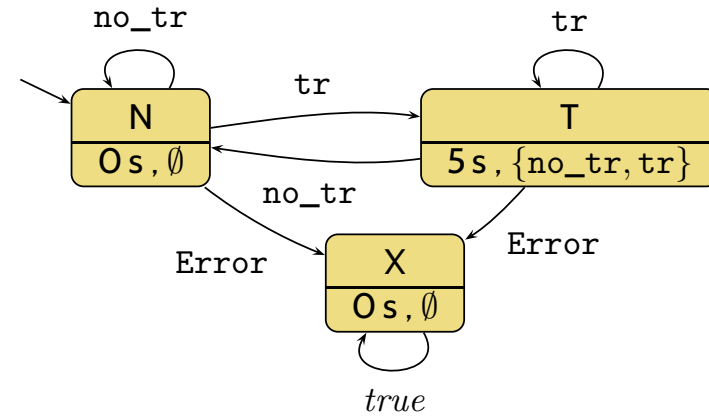


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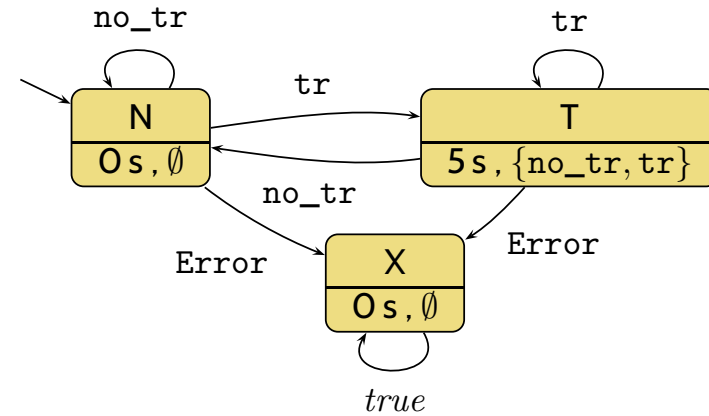


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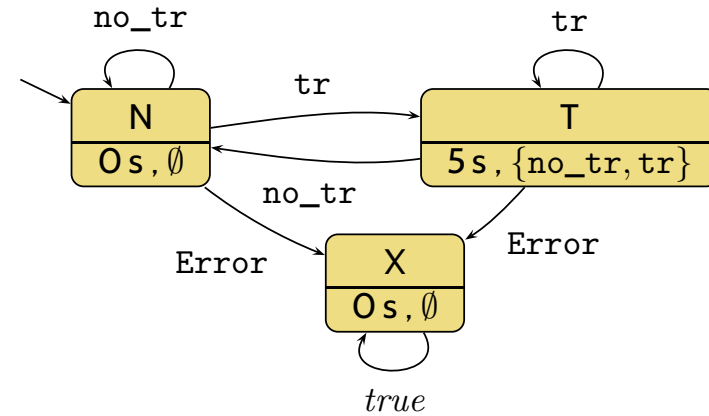


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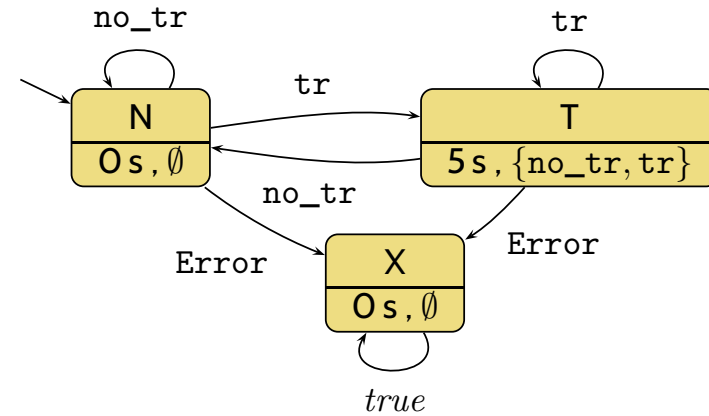


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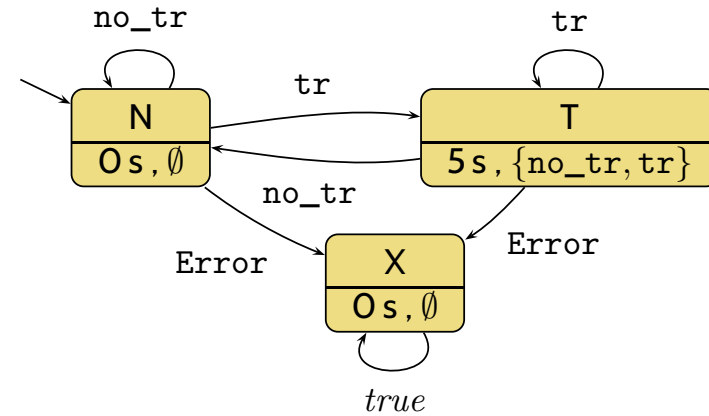


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Reaction Time Theorem (Special Case $n = 1$)

Theorem 5.6.

Let $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, \varepsilon, S_t, S_e, \Omega, \omega)$, $\Pi \subseteq Q$, and $A \subseteq \Sigma$ with

$$\delta(\Pi, A) \subseteq \Pi.$$

Then

$$[\Pi \wedge A] \xrightarrow{c} \underbrace{[\delta(\Pi, A)]}_{=\Pi_{target}}$$

where

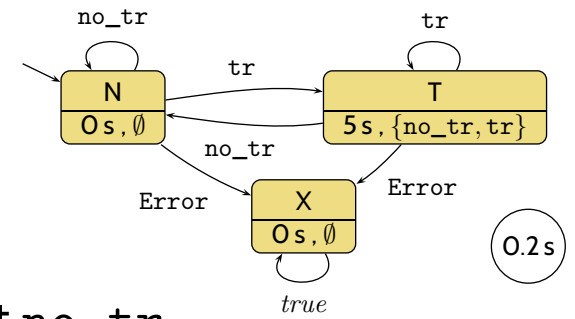
$$c := \varepsilon + \max(\{0\} \cup \{s(\pi, A) \mid \pi \in \Pi \setminus \delta(\Pi, A)\})$$

and

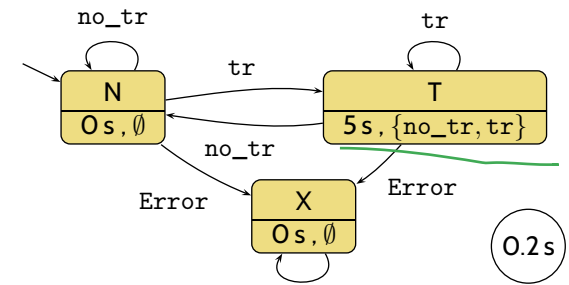
$$s(\pi, A) := \begin{cases} S_t(\pi) + 2\varepsilon & , \text{if } S_t(\pi) > 0 \text{ and } A \cap S_e(\pi) \neq \emptyset \\ \varepsilon & , \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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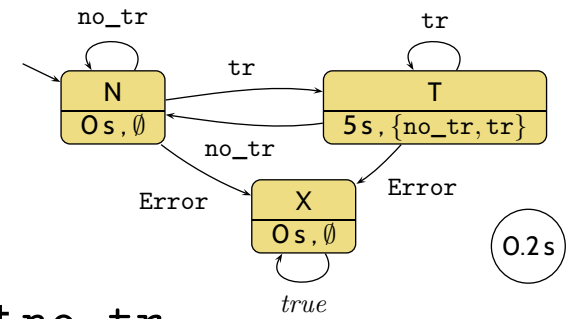


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Your estimation?

- ε
- 2ε
- 3ε
- $5s$
- $5s + \varepsilon$
- $5s + 2\varepsilon$
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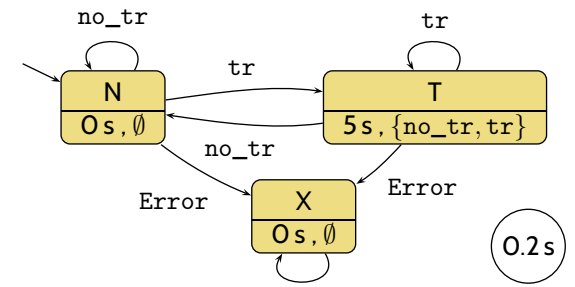
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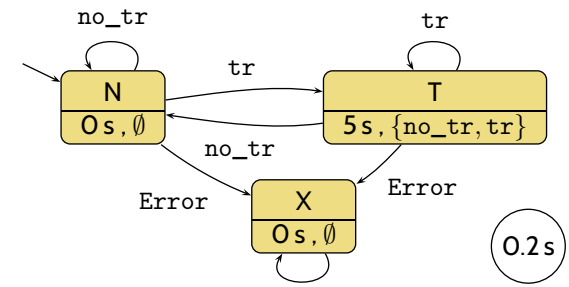
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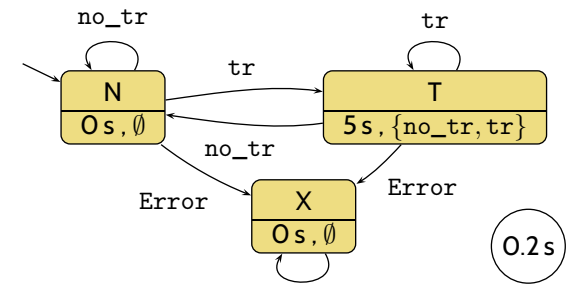
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Monotonicity of Generalised Transition Function

- Define

$$\delta^0(\Pi, A) := \Pi, \quad \delta^{n+1}(\Pi, A) := \delta(\delta^n(\Pi, A), A).$$

- If we have $\delta(\Pi, A) \subseteq \Pi$, then we have

$$\delta^{n+1}(\Pi, A) \subseteq \delta^n(\Pi, A) \subseteq \dots \subseteq \underbrace{\delta(\delta(\Pi, A), A)}_{=\delta^2(\Pi, A)} \subseteq \delta(\Pi, A) \subseteq \Pi$$

i.e. the sequence is a **contraction**.

- Because the extended transition function has the following (not so surprising) **monotonicity** property:

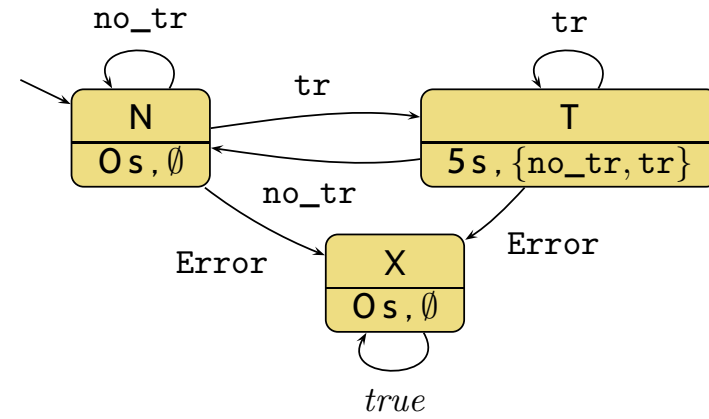
Proposition 5.4.

$$\Pi \subseteq \Pi' \subseteq Q \text{ and } A \subseteq A' \subseteq \Sigma \text{ implies } \delta(\Pi, A) \subseteq \delta(\Pi', A').$$

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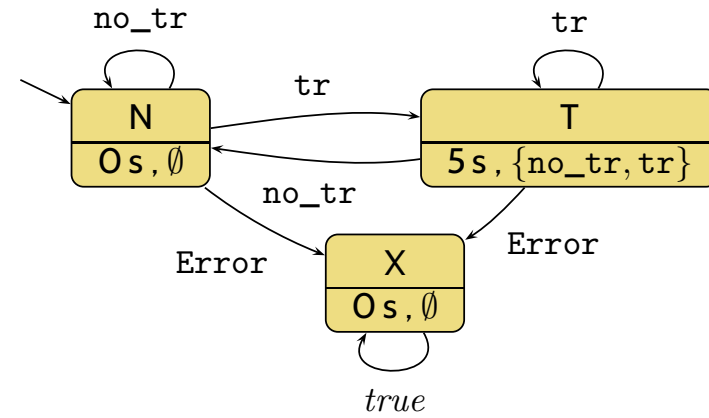


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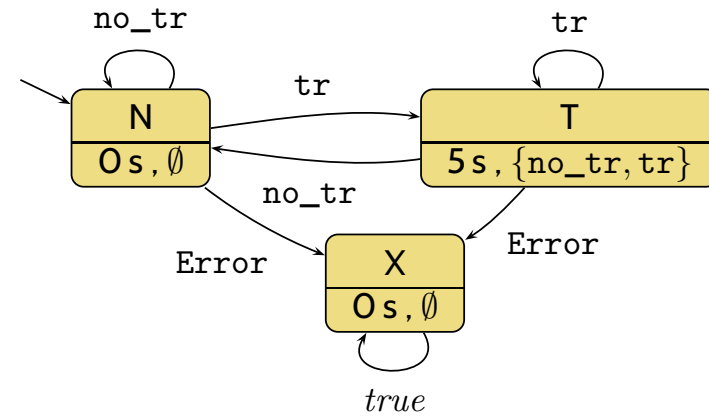


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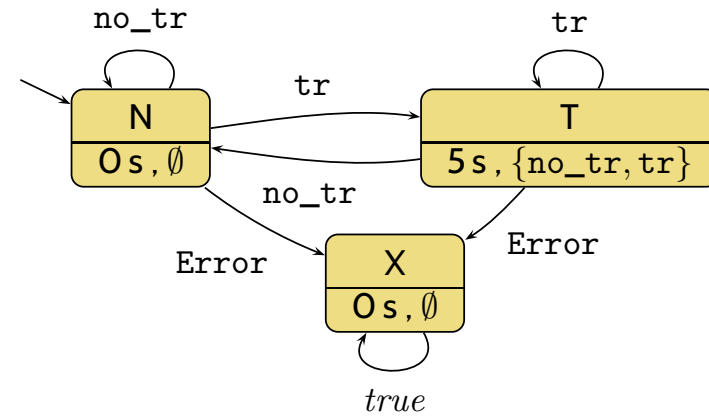


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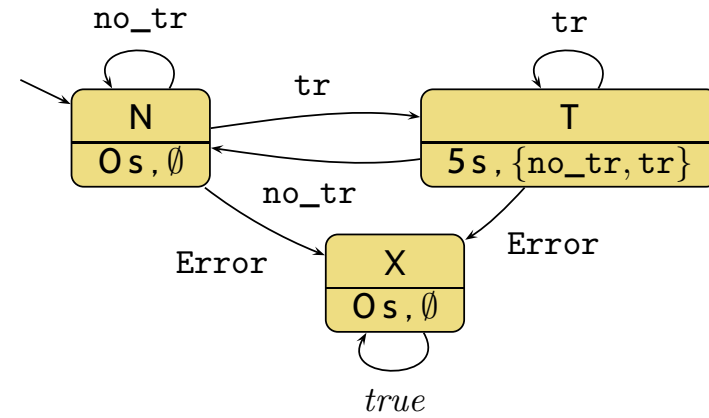


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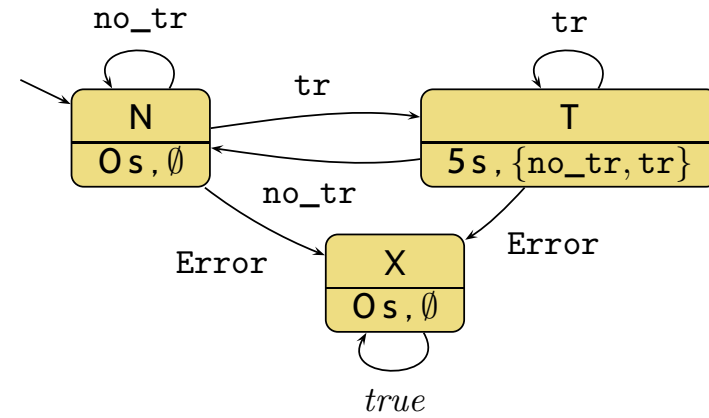


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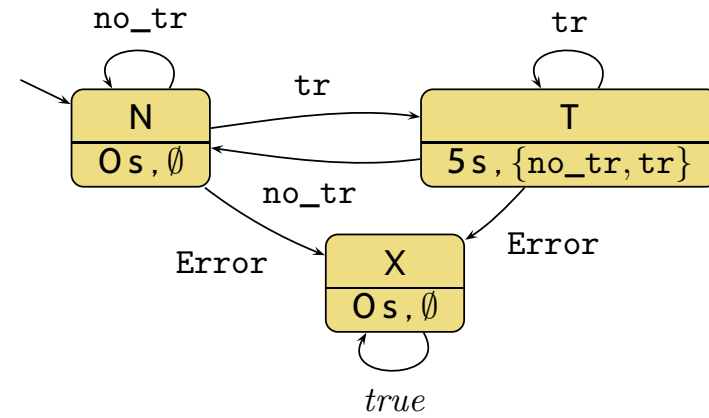


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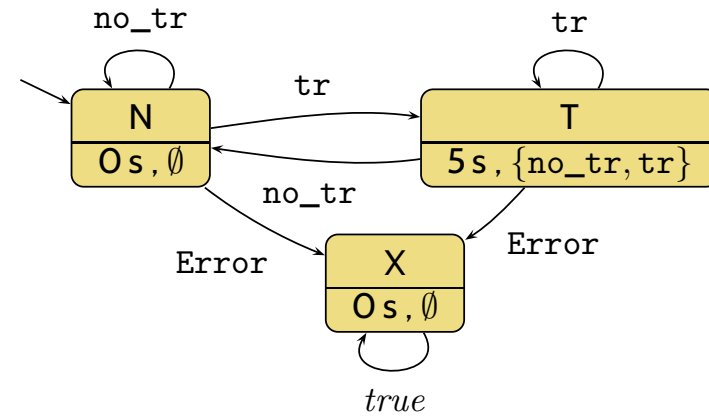


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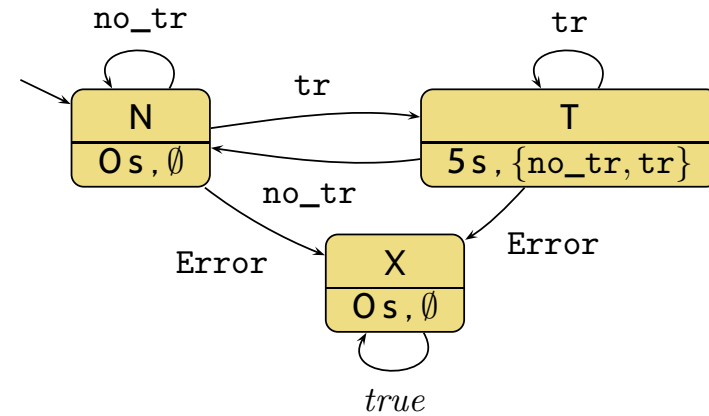


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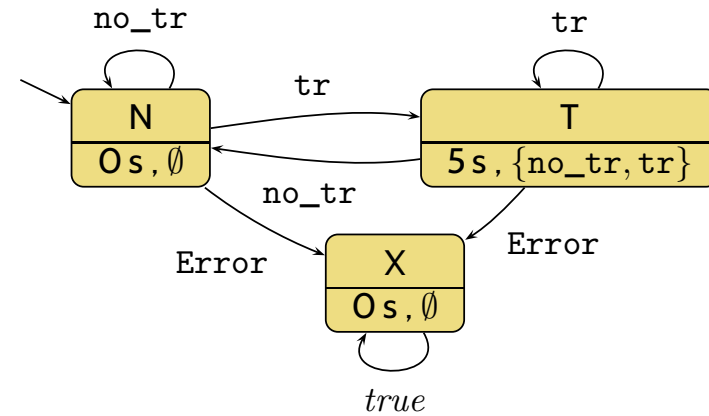


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Reaction Time Theorem (General Case)

Theorem 5.8.

Let $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, \varepsilon, S_t, S_e, \Omega, \omega)$, $\Pi \subseteq Q$, and $A \subseteq \Sigma$ with

$$\delta(\Pi, A) \subseteq \Pi.$$

Then for all $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$,

$$[\Pi \wedge A] \xrightarrow{c_n} \underbrace{[\delta^n(\Pi, A)]}_{=\Pi_{target}}$$

where

$$c_n := \varepsilon + \max\left(\{0\} \cup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k s(\pi_i, A) \mid \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq k \leq n \wedge \\ \exists \pi_1, \dots, \pi_k \in \Pi \setminus \delta^n(\Pi, A) \\ \forall j \in \{1, \dots, k-1\} : \\ \pi_{j+1} \in \delta(\pi_j, A) \end{array} \right\} \right)$$

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- Using finite variability, (DC-2), (DC-3), (DC-6), (DC-7), (DC-8), (DC-9), and (DC-10) we can show that the duration of $\lceil \Pi \wedge A \rceil$ is strictly smaller than c_n .

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 - effect of **transitions** (untimed),
 - **cycle time, delays, progress.**
- Application example: **Reaction times**
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Tell Them What You've Told Them...

- **Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC)** are epitomic for real-time controller platforms:
 - have **real-time clock** device, **read inputs** / **write outputs**, manage **local state**.
- The set of evolutions of a **PLC Automaton** can be over-approximated by a set of **DC formulae**.
- This **DC-Semantics** of PLCA can be used to establish **generic properties** of PLCA like **reaction time**.
- The **reaction time theorems** give us “recipes” to analyse PLCA for reaction time (just considering the PLCA, not its DC semantics).
- And that's **Duration Calculus** for now...
 - Next block: **Timed Automata**
 - Later: verifying that a **Network of Timed Automata** **satisfies** a requirement formalised using DC.
Thus connecting both “worlds”.

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- **Automatic Verification...**
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