

# Modelling and Using Application-Level QoS

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# Motivations



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- 👤 May we search & glue services dynamically?
- 👤 What should drive service searching?

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We use c-semiring as

- a synchronisation mechanism...
- and for interpreting a logic!

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### Examples

👤  $\langle \text{Real}^+, \max, \min, 0, +\infty \rangle$  (max/min): bandwidth, priority

👤  $\langle \{true, false\}, \vee, \wedge, false, true \rangle$  (boolean): availability

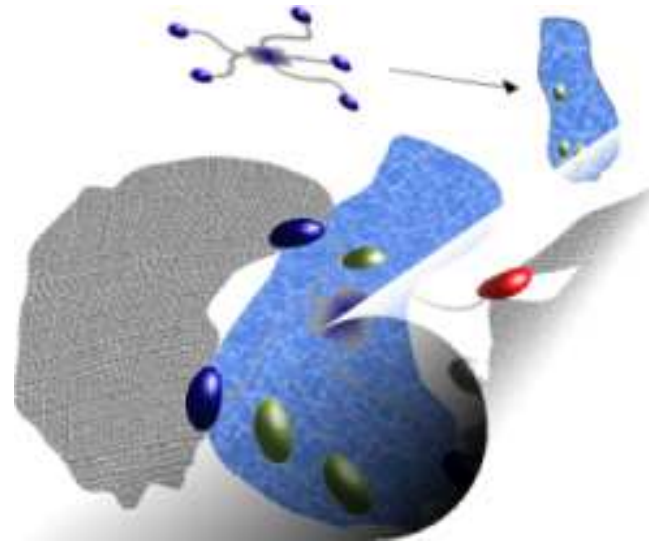
👤  $\langle \text{Real}^+, \min, +, +\infty, 0 \rangle$  (optimization): price, propagation delay

👤  $\langle [0, 1], \max, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$  (probabilistic): performance and rates

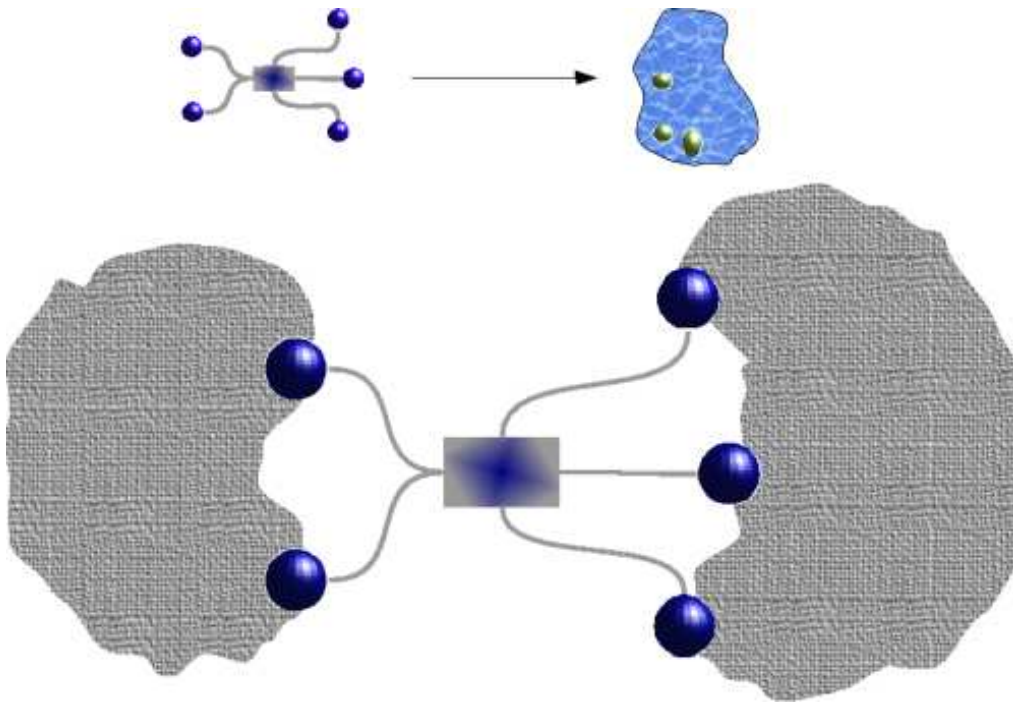
👤  $\langle [0, 1], \max, \min, 0, 1 \rangle$  (fuzzy): performance and rates

👤  $\langle 2^N, \cup, \cap, \emptyset, N \rangle$  (set-based, where  $N$  is a set): capabilities and access rights

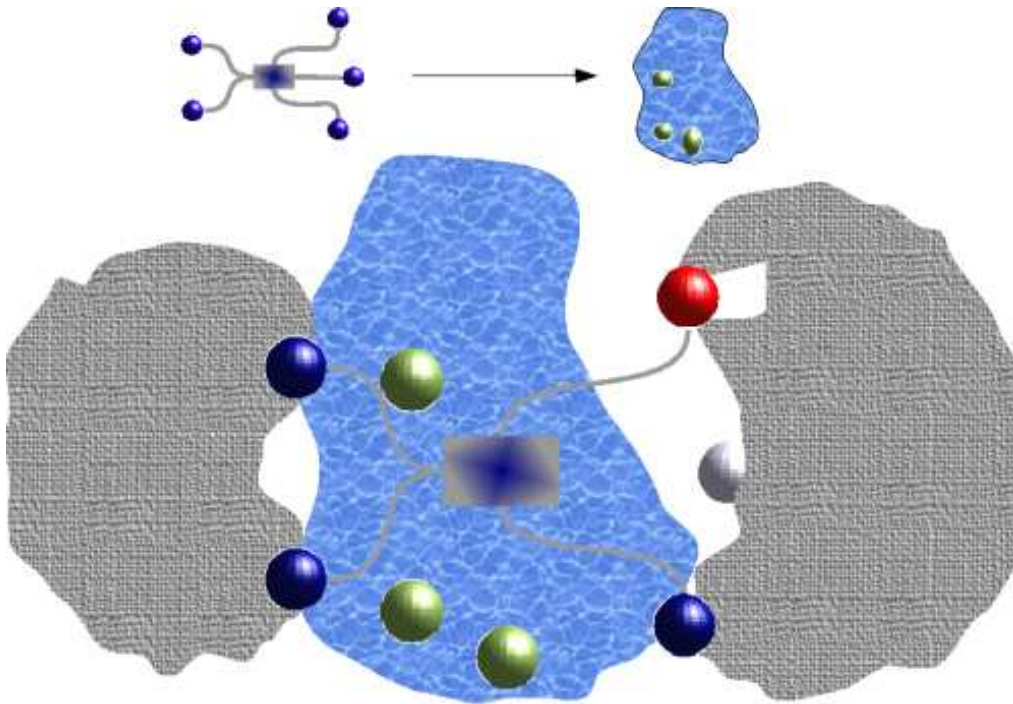
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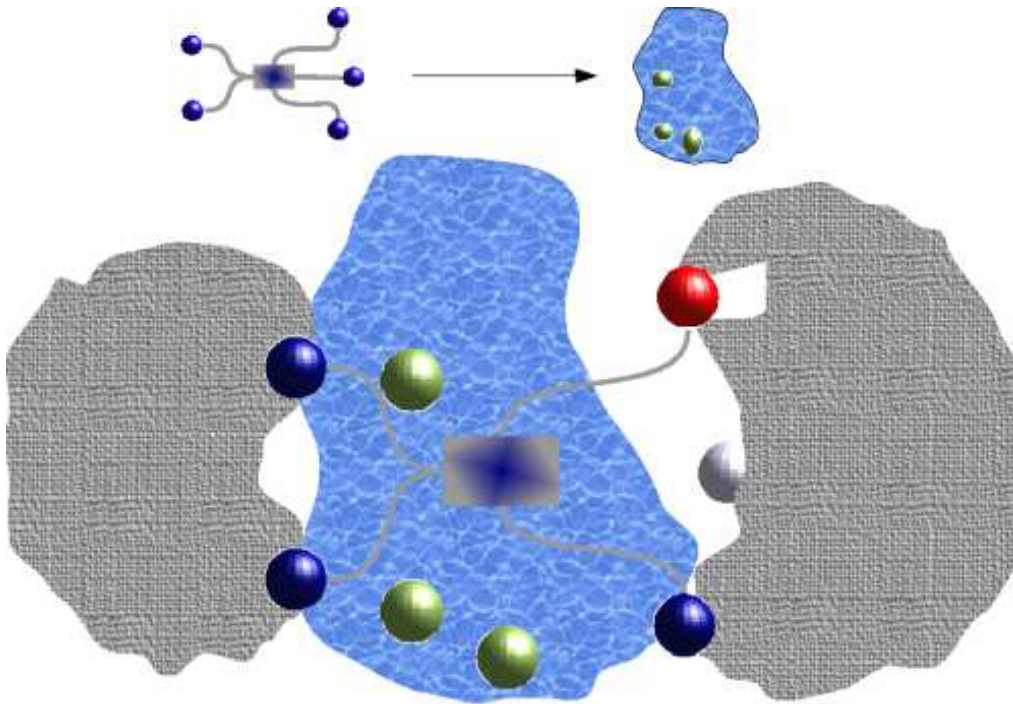


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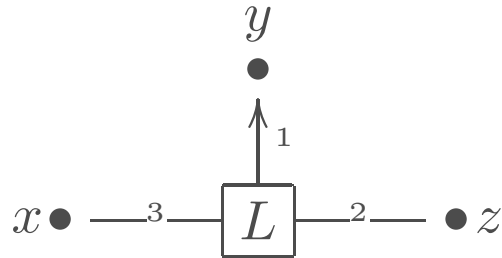
## Benefits:

- Uniform framework
  - for  $\pi$ ,  $\pi$ -I, fusion [Tuo03, Hir03, LM04]
  - LTS for Ambient ... [FMT01]
- Expressive for
  - ... for Klaim ... [DFM<sup>+</sup>03]
  - “sophisticated synchronisations” [HT05, HLT05, LT05]



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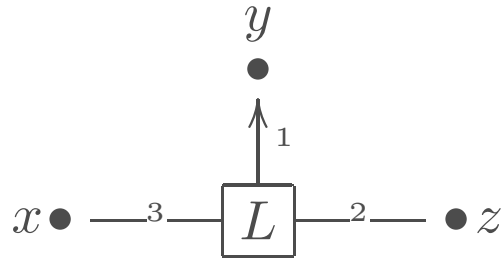


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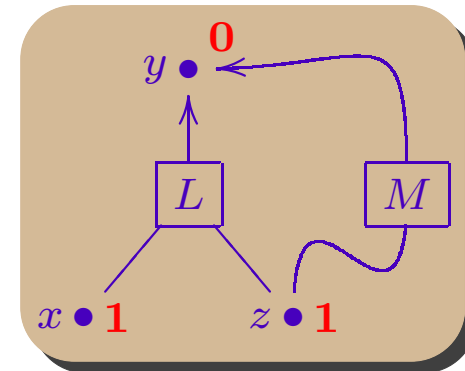
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An example:

$L : 3, M : 2$

$x : \mathbf{1}, y : \mathbf{0}, z : \mathbf{1} \vdash (L(y, z, x) \mid M(y, z))$



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Productions are the context free rules upon which hypergraph rewriting is defined

**production**  $\chi \triangleright L(\tilde{x}) \xrightarrow{\Lambda} G$

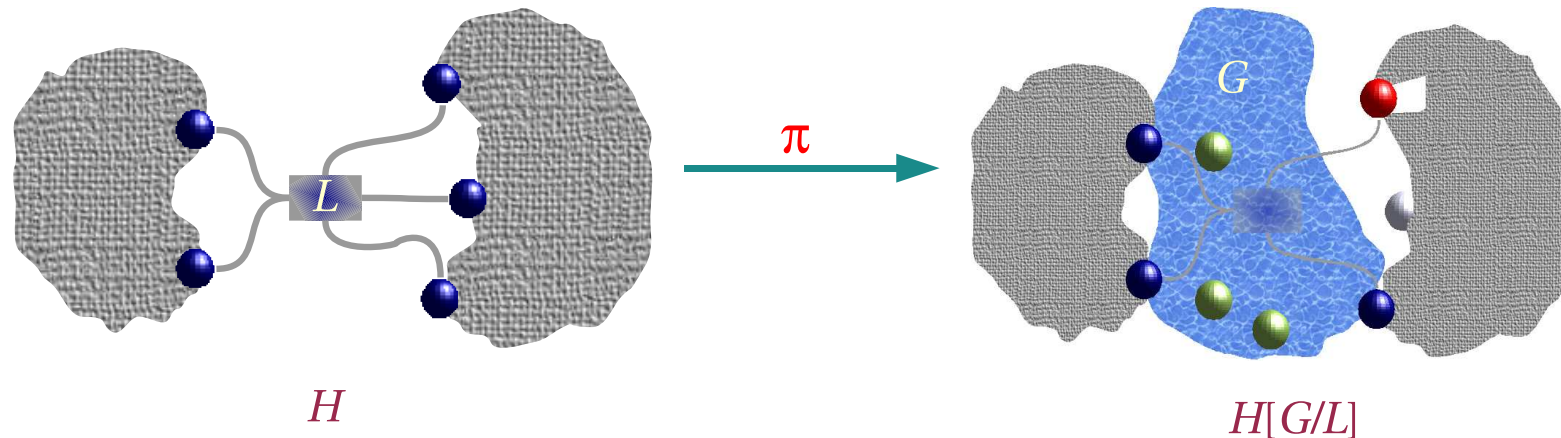
Once  $\chi$  is satisfied,  $L(\tilde{x})$  **rewrites** as  $G$  synchronising with the edges connected to nodes  $\tilde{x}$  according to  $\Lambda$

- 👤  $\tilde{x}$  is a tuple of pairwise distinguished nodes and  $L : |\tilde{x}|$
- 👤  $\chi : \{\tilde{x}\} \rightarrow S$  is a weighting function
  - 🟡 each node in the interface has an associated c-semiring value...
  - 🟡 that will “drive” synchronisations
- 👤 **communication function**  $\Lambda : \{\tilde{x}\} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  associates requirements to the interface of  $L$ 
  - 🟡  $\mathcal{R} = S \times \mathcal{N}^*$  is the set of events, where  $S$  is an alphabet of actions
  - 🟡  $n(\Lambda) = \{z \mid \exists x \in \text{dom}(\Lambda). z \in \Lambda(x)\}$
- 👤  $G$  is a graph s.t.  $n(G) \subseteq \{\tilde{x}\} \cup n(\Lambda)$

Consider a production

$$\pi : \chi \triangleright L(\tilde{x}) \xrightarrow{\Lambda} G$$

and a graph  $H$  having an arc labelled by  $L$ , e.g.:



- Replacing  $L$  with  $G$  in  $H$  according to  $\pi$  **requires** that  $H$  satisfies the conditions expressed by  $\chi$  on the attachment nodes of  $L$
- Once  $\chi$  is satisfied in  $H$ ,  $L(\tilde{x})$  **participate** to the rewriting by “offering”  $\Lambda$  in the synchronisation with all the edges connected to nodes in  $\tilde{x}$

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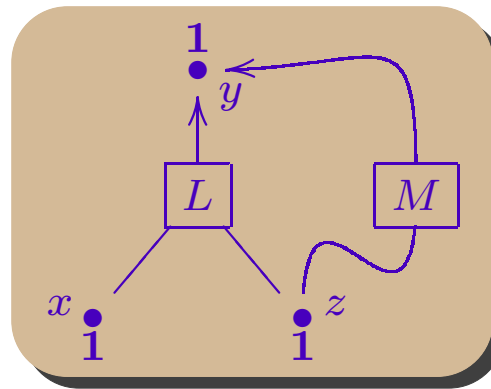
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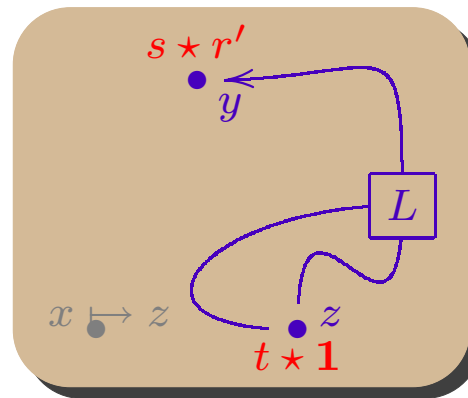


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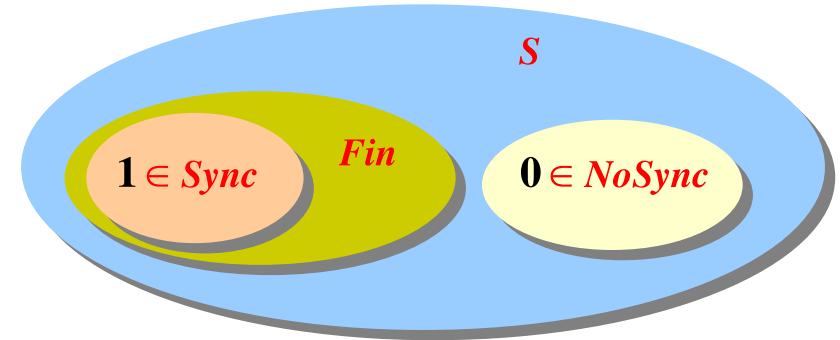
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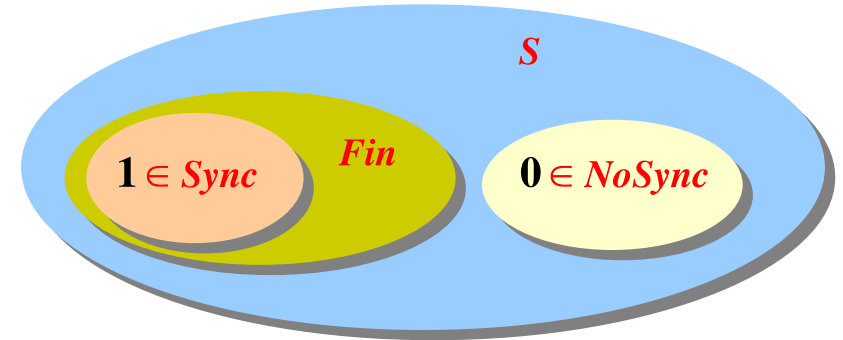
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$$\forall a, b \in Act \cup \{\perp\}. b \neq a \implies a +_H b = \perp$$

plus the c-semiring axioms for the sum

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Basically,  $\underline{\Omega}(x)$  yields the synchronisation of requirements in  $\Omega @ x$  according to the c-semiring product.

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**rewriting system:**  $(\mathcal{QP}, \Gamma \vdash G)$

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  $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{QP}$

  $\chi \triangleright L(\tilde{x}) \xrightarrow{\Omega} G \in \mathcal{QP} \wedge y \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \text{new}(\Omega) \implies \chi' \triangleright L(\tilde{x}\{y/x\}) \xrightarrow{\Omega\{y/x\}} G\{y/x\} \in \mathcal{QP}$

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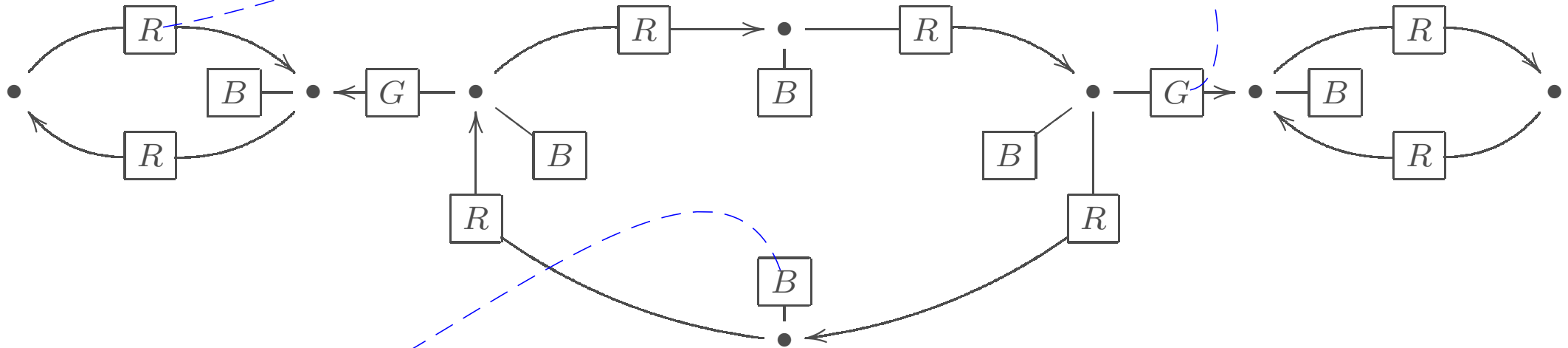
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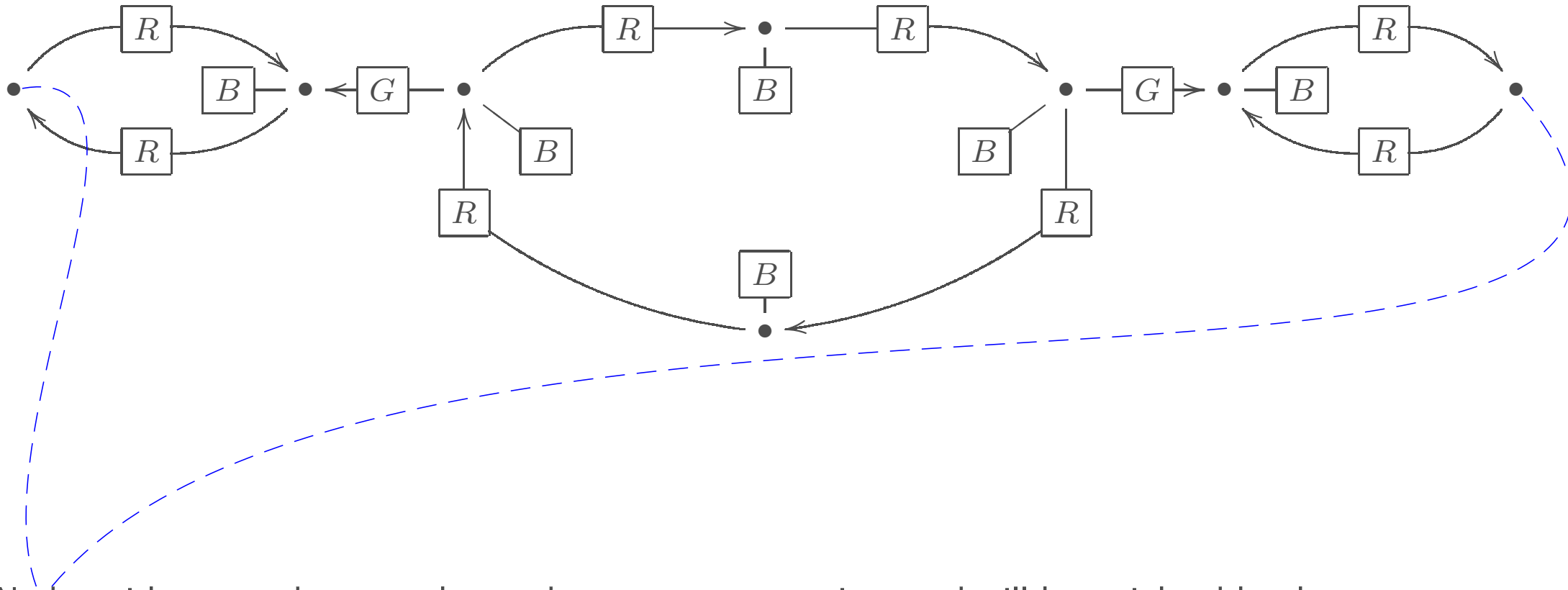
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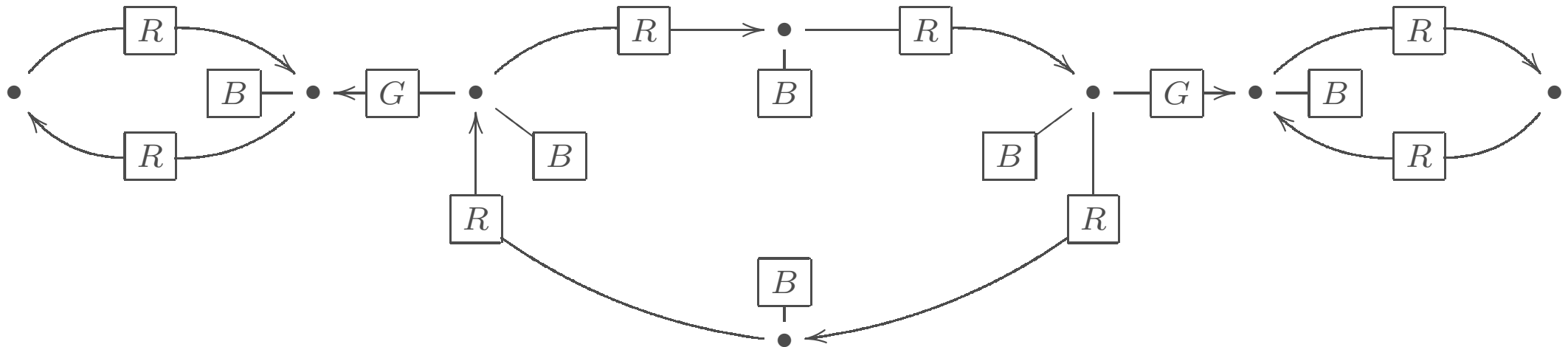
The **B-edges** avoid new gates to be attached on the node they insist on

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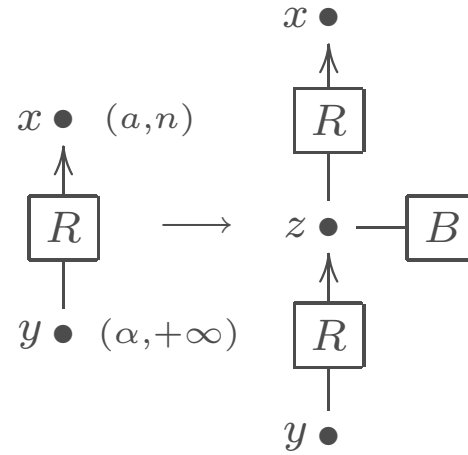


The c-semiring is  $\mathfrak{H}\mathfrak{R}$ , the cartesian product of the **Hoare** c-semiring  $\mathfrak{H} = \langle \mathcal{H}, +_H, \star_H, \mathbf{0}_H, \mathbf{1}_H \rangle$  (where  $\mathcal{H} = \{a, b, c, \mathbf{1}_H, \mathbf{0}_H, \perp\}$ ) and  $\mathfrak{R} = \langle \omega_\infty, \max, \min, 0, +\infty \rangle$

The idea is that

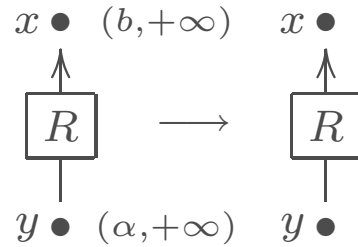
- 👤  $\mathfrak{H}$  coordinates the network rewritings
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**Create Brother** ( $n < u$ )



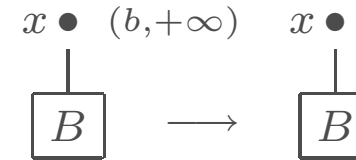
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**Accept Synchronisation R**



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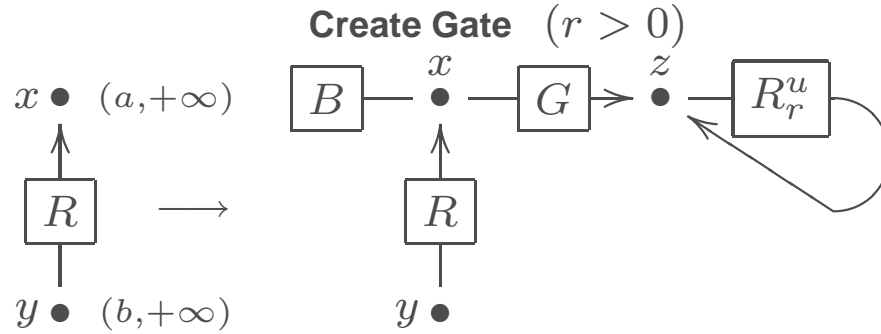
**Accept Synchronisation B**



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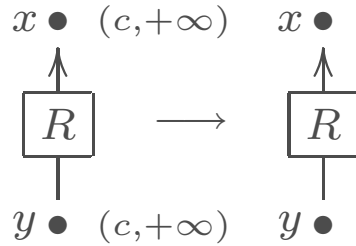
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## Productions for the ring case study<sup>2</sup>



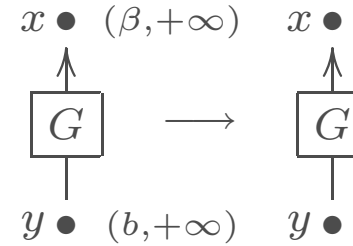
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**Accept Synchronisation Init**



$$x : \mathbf{0}, y : \mathbf{0} \triangleright R(x, y) \xrightarrow{\substack{x \mapsto (c, +\infty) \\ y \mapsto (c, +\infty)}} R(x, y)$$

**Accept Synchronisation Gate**

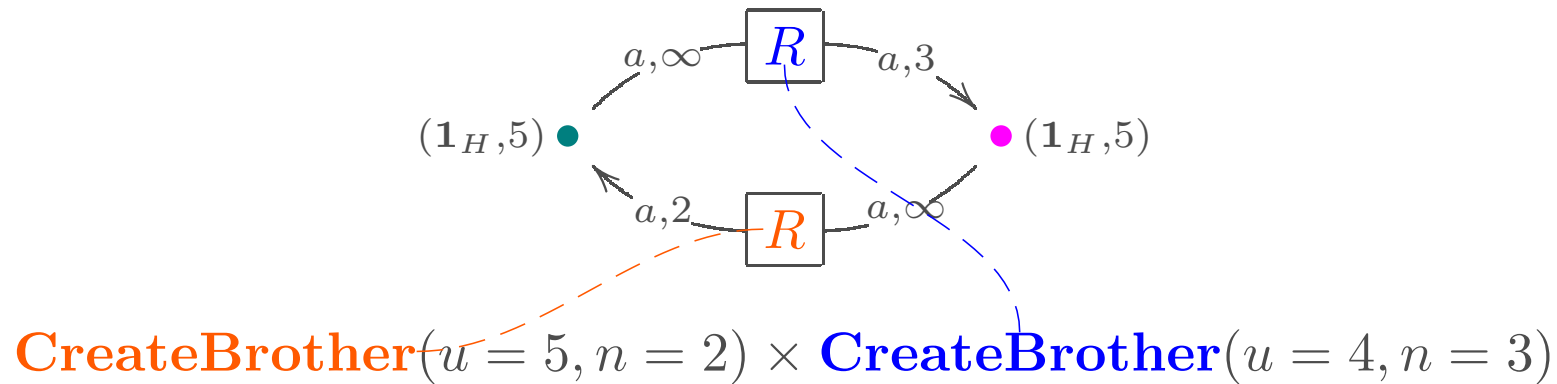


$$x : \mathbf{0}, y : \mathbf{0} \triangleright G(x, y) \xrightarrow{\substack{x \mapsto (\beta, +\infty) \\ y \mapsto (b, +\infty)}} G(x, y)$$


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Let's start the derivation from

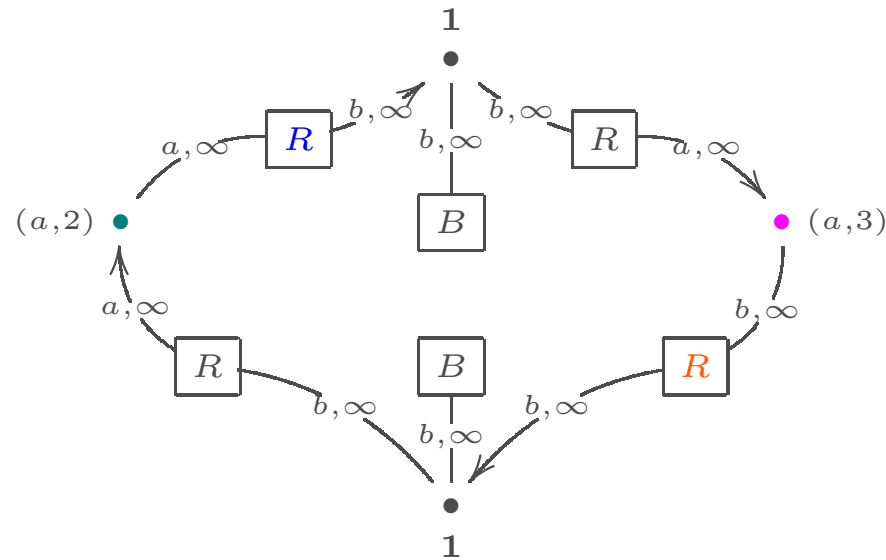


  $R$  chooses the production **Create Brother** with  $u = 5$  and  $n = 2$

  $R$  chooses  $u = 4$  and  $n = 3$

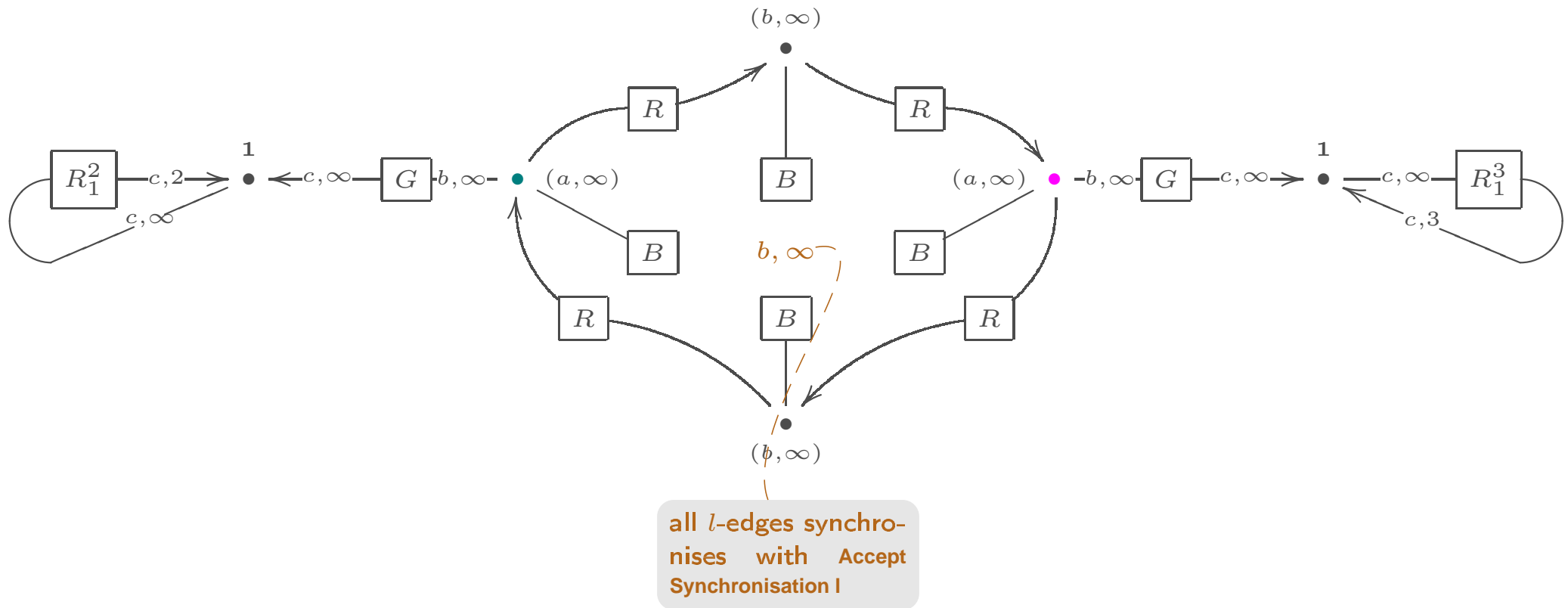
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$$\text{CreateGate}(r = 1, u = 2) \times \text{CreateGate}(r = 1, u = 3) \times \text{Accept}^*$$

Only  $R$  and  $R$  can create brothers or gates and they use the remaining resources to create gates to two 2-rings ( $r = 1$ ); the other edges apply the **Accept** productions.



Note that ● and ● are now blocked.

# C-semiring logic for SHReQ



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  $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathcal{L}$  denotes a finite set of labels

  $\xi$  ranges over  $\mathcal{N} \cup V_{\mathcal{N}}$

  $f$  is a symbol for c-semiring function

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Notice that

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A pair of nodes  $u, v$  belong to a ring whenever there are two disjoint paths from  $u$  to  $v$  made of  $R$ -edges

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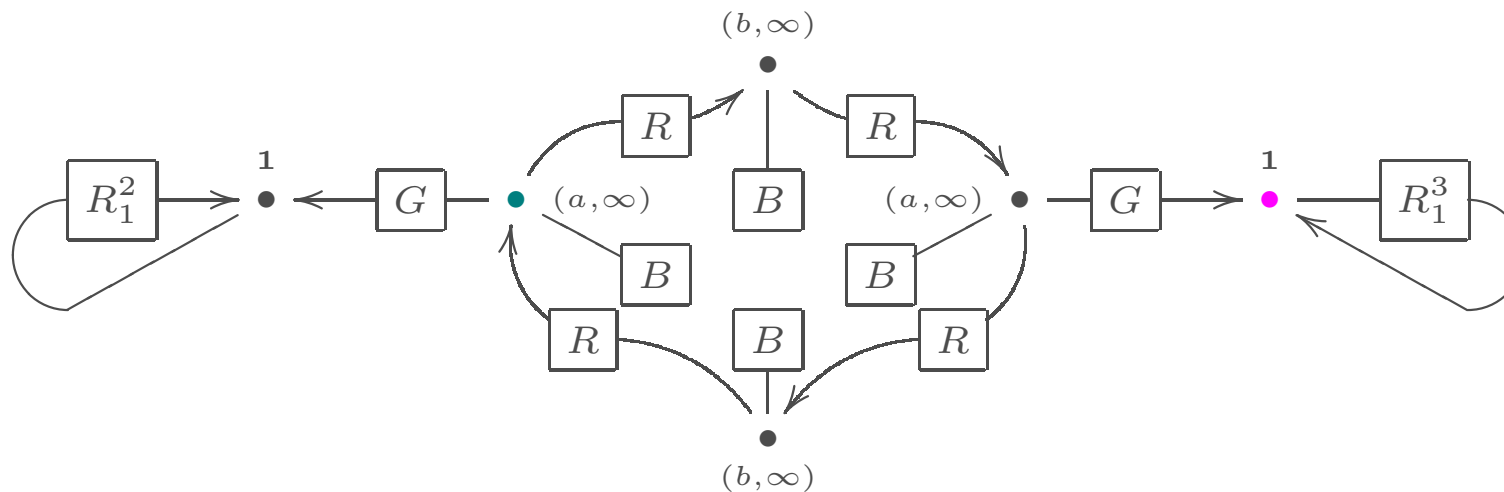


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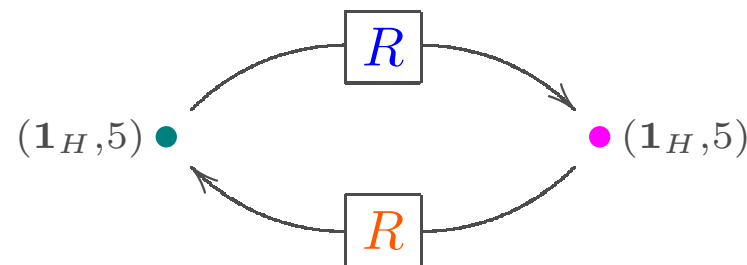
where  $\neg \in \mathcal{F}$  maps 0 into 1  
and every value distinct from  
0 to 0 and  $\rightarrow$  is  $\leq_S$ .

## Applying the logic (II)

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- 👤 The initial graph eventually evolves to a graph containing gates connected to that nodes, namely the consequent is evaluated to  $\mathbf{1}$ , as required.

## A non-trivially valued formula

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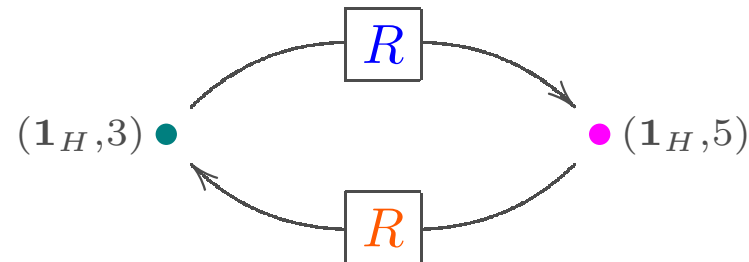
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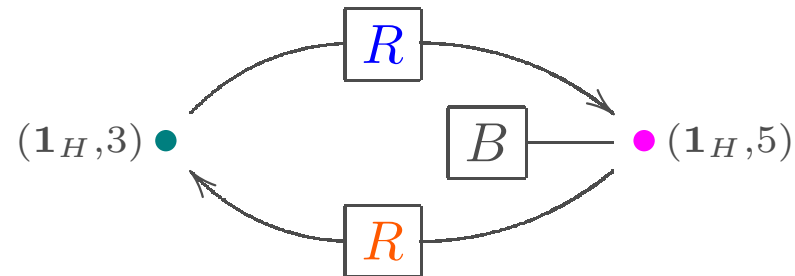
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First, the resources of newly generated rings are computed by looking over a graph containing a  $R_0^u$ -edge

Then, after a rewriting step, the weights of the first attachment node of the  $R$ -edge are summed up.

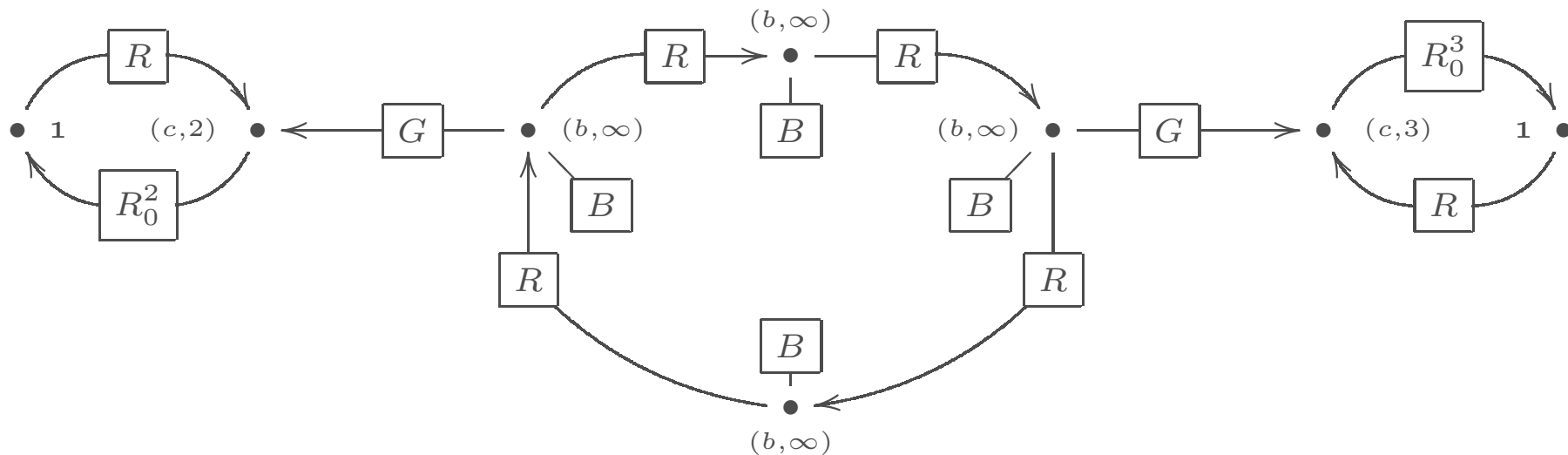
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- Formula **summation(resource)** computes the best value of **resource** in every reachable state, i.e., the best initial resource value of every ring ever created
- interpreting **summation(resource)** on





finds the two new rings over which the maximum is chosen resulting in  $(\mathbf{0}_H, 3)$ .

# Conclusions and future directions

We presented c-semiring as

-  an abstract model of application level QoS
-  a synchronisation mechanism
-  an interpretation of a spatio-temporal logic

Future work

-  comparisons of c-semiring and other algebraic structures
-  decidability of the logic

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