

# Categorical Liveness Checking by Corecursive Algebras

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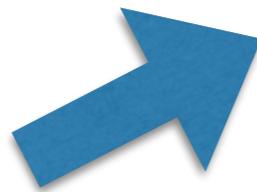
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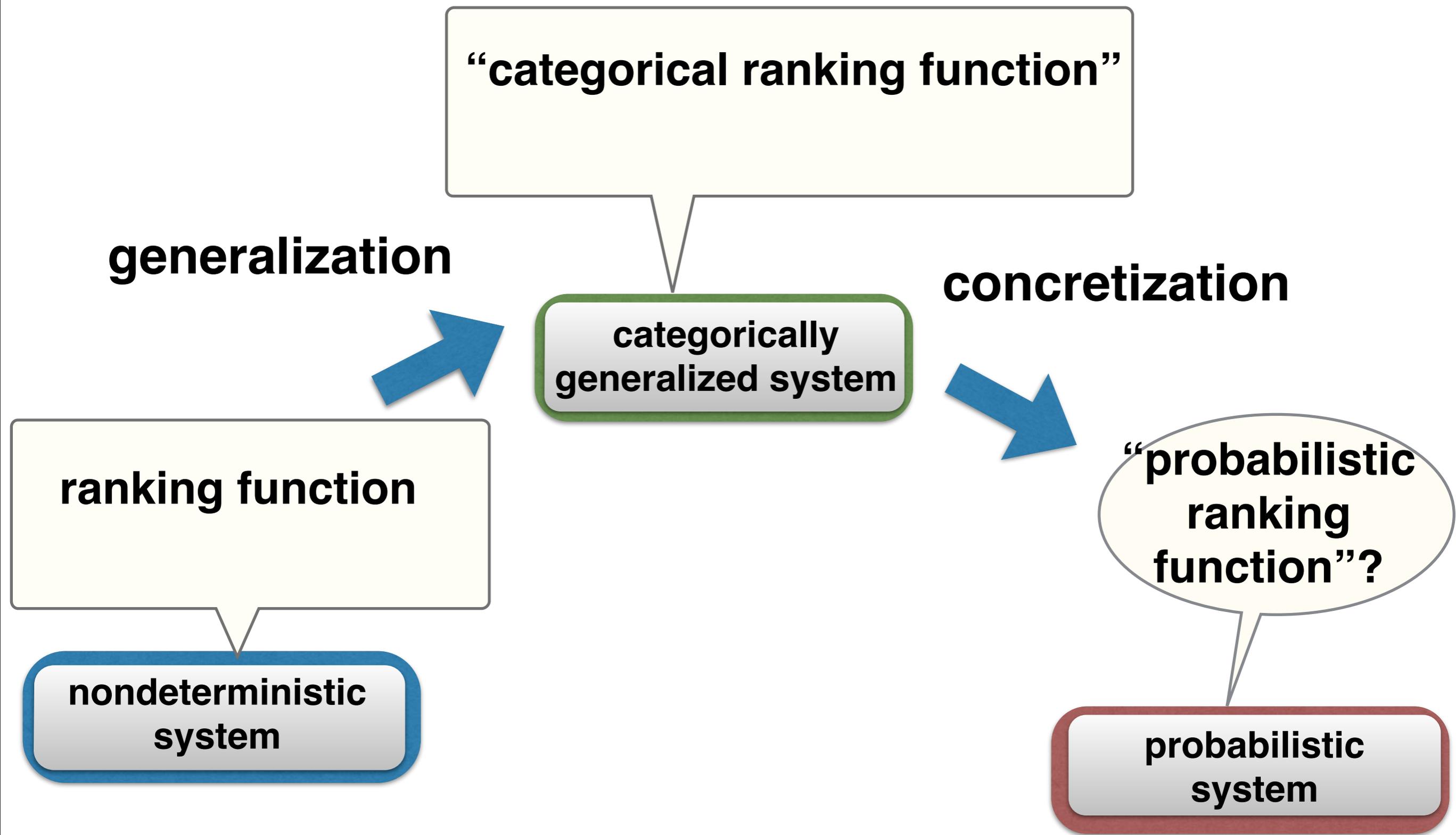


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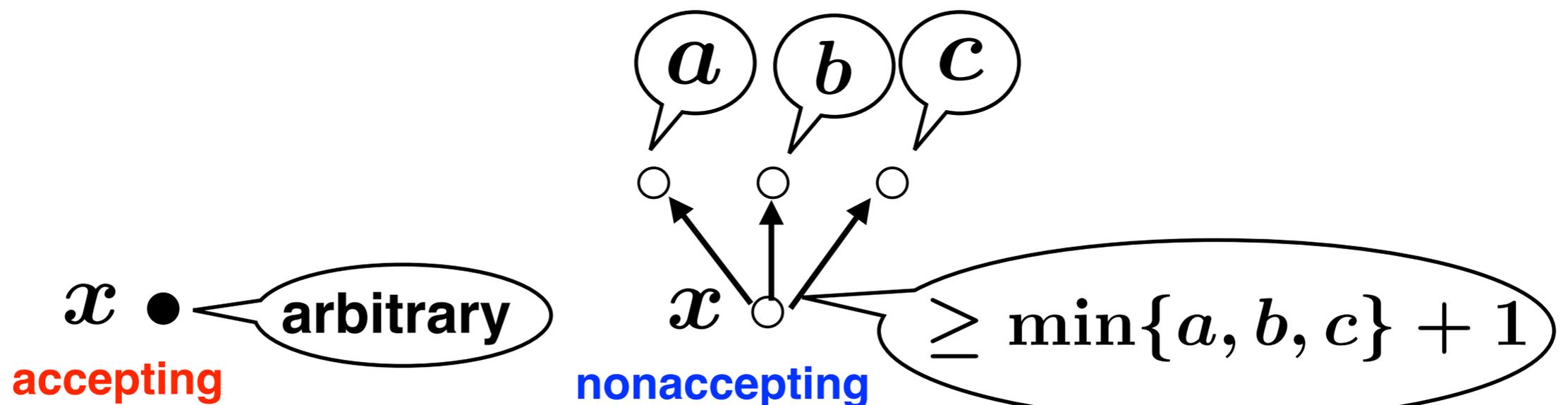
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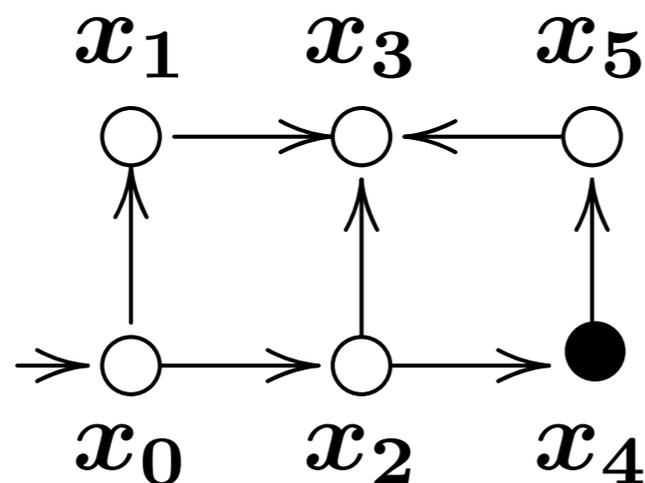
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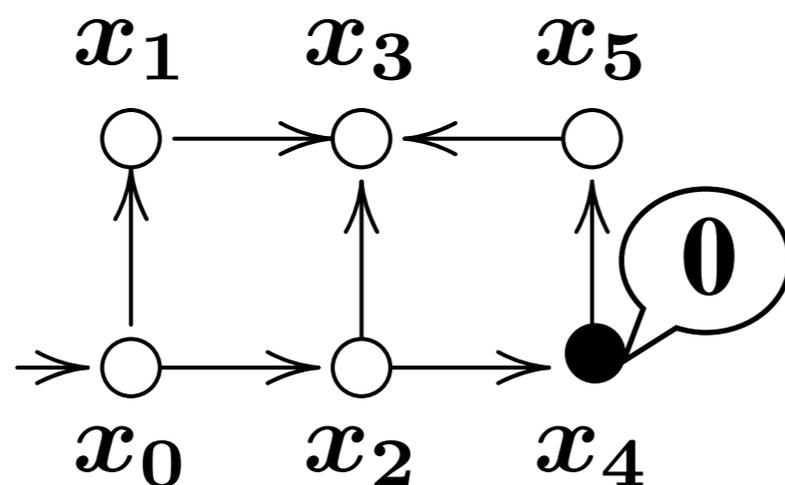
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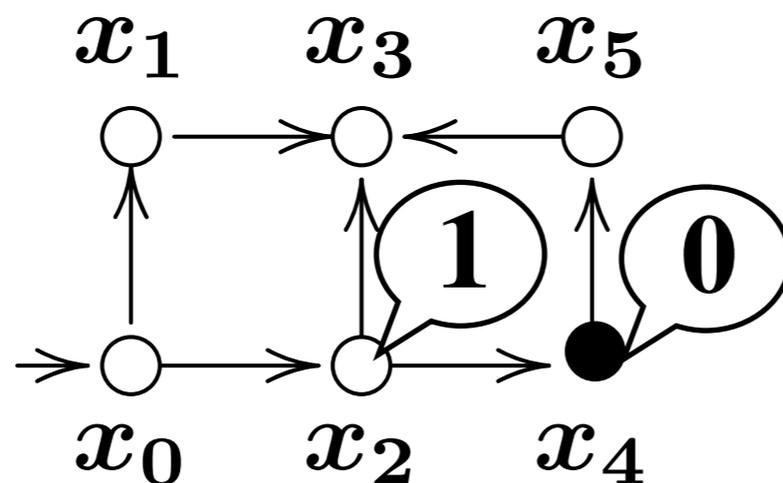
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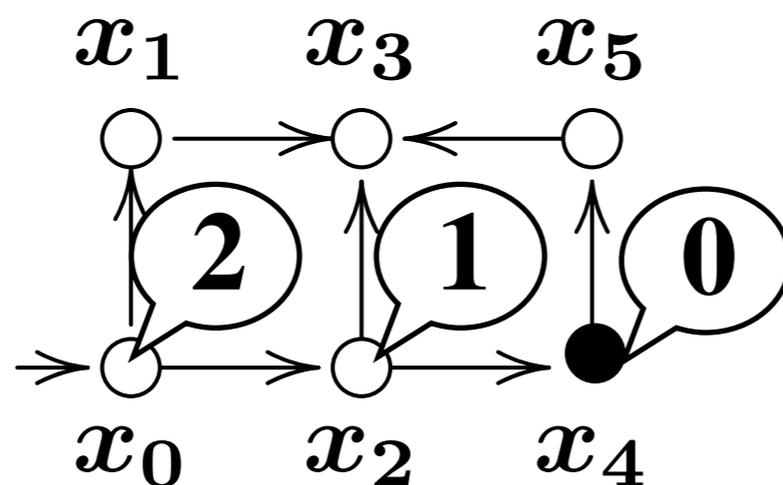
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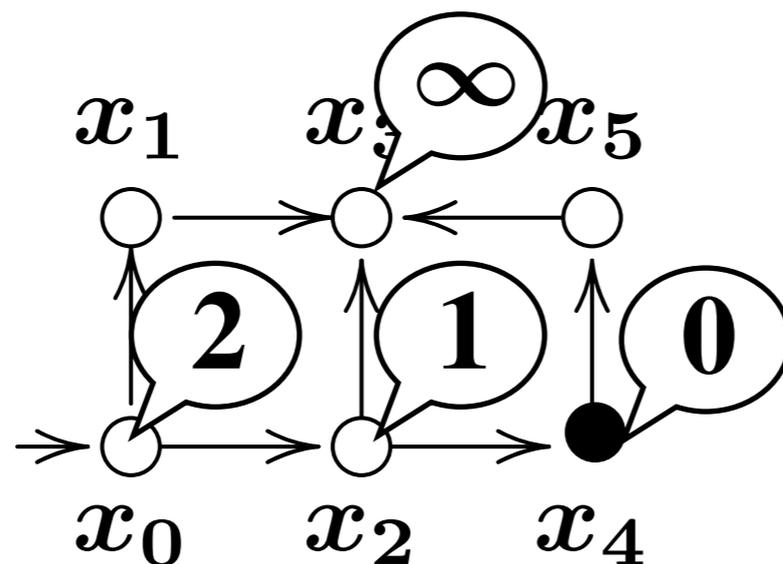
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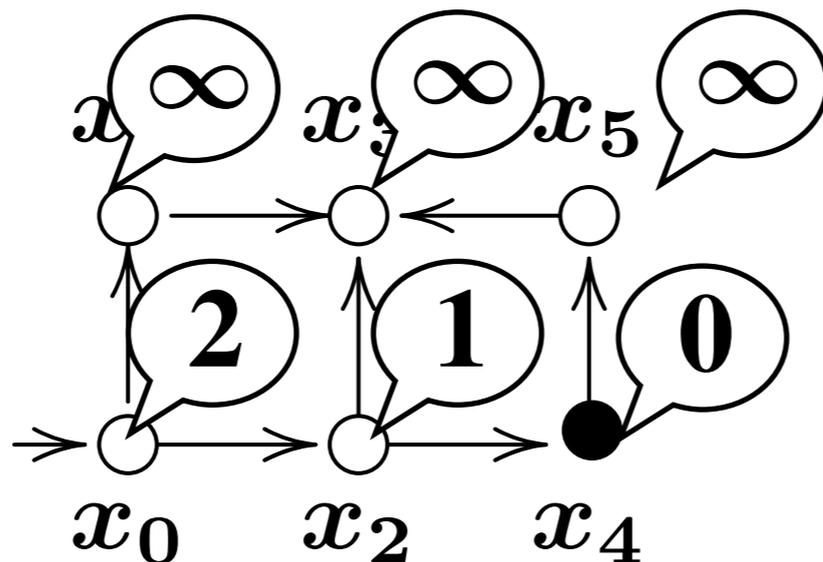
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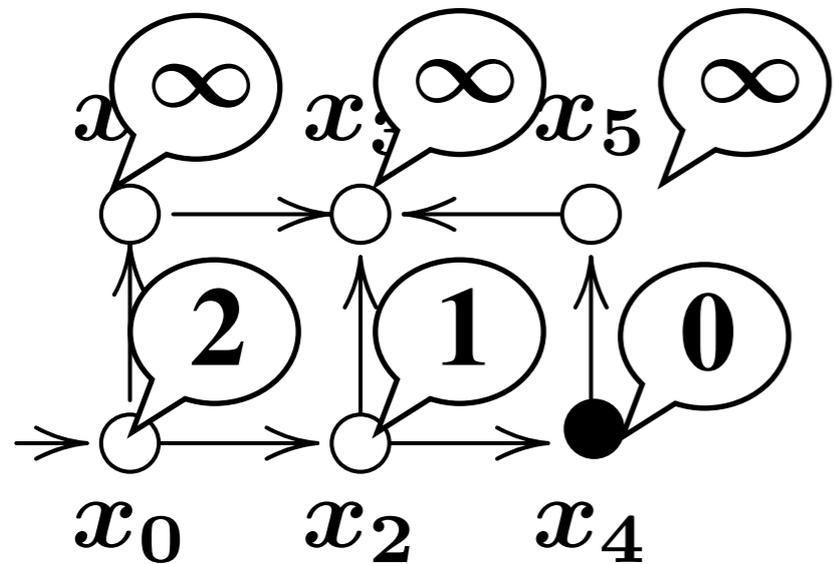
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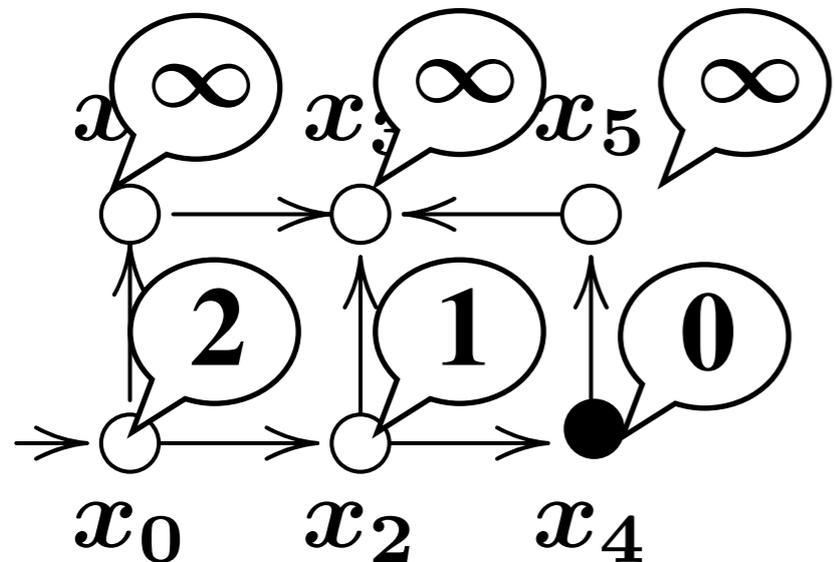


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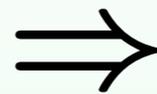
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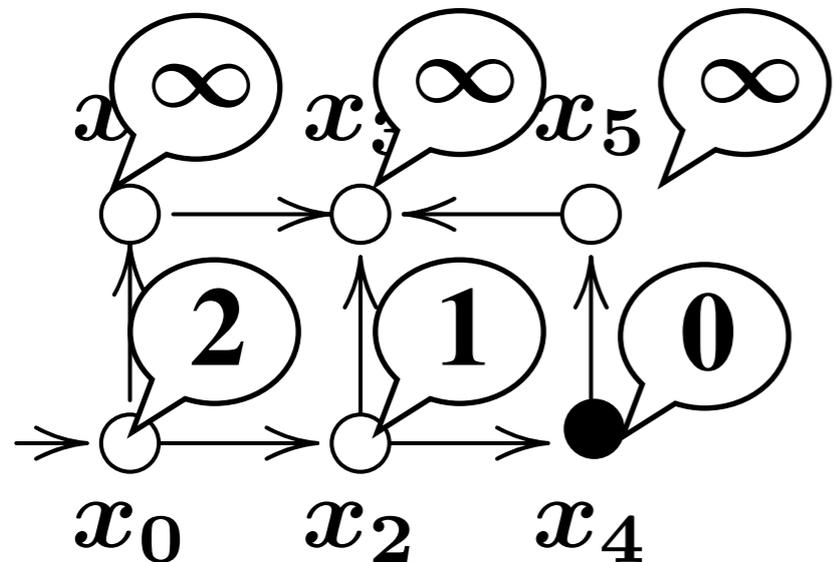
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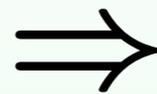
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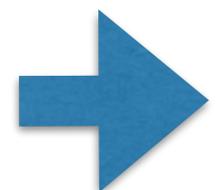
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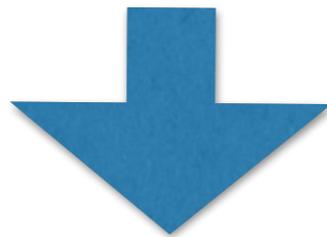
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# Towards Categorical Generalization

- Our first goal:  
categorical generalization of **ranking function**



- We have to categorically characterize:
  - a transition system
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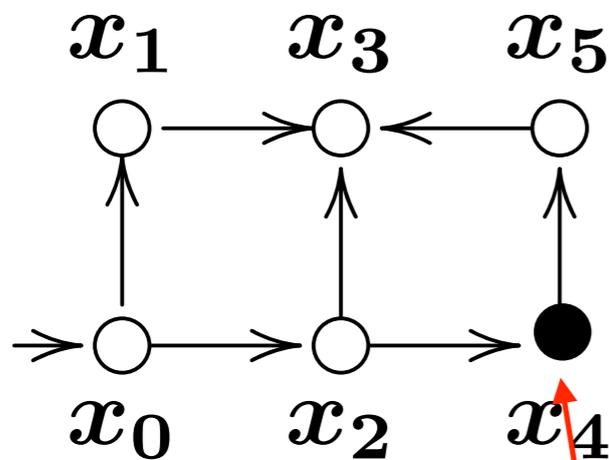
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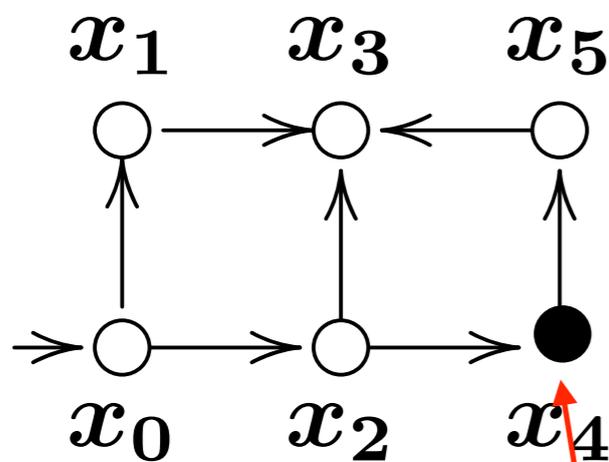


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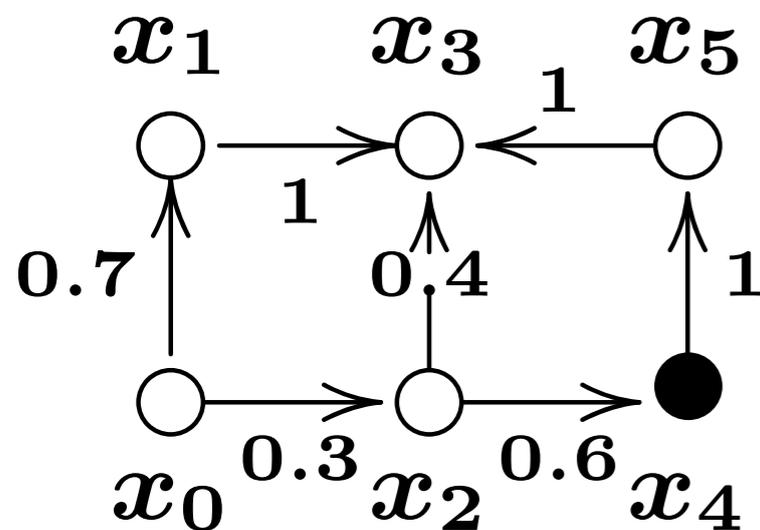
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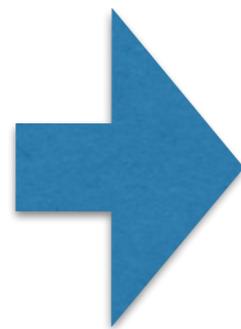
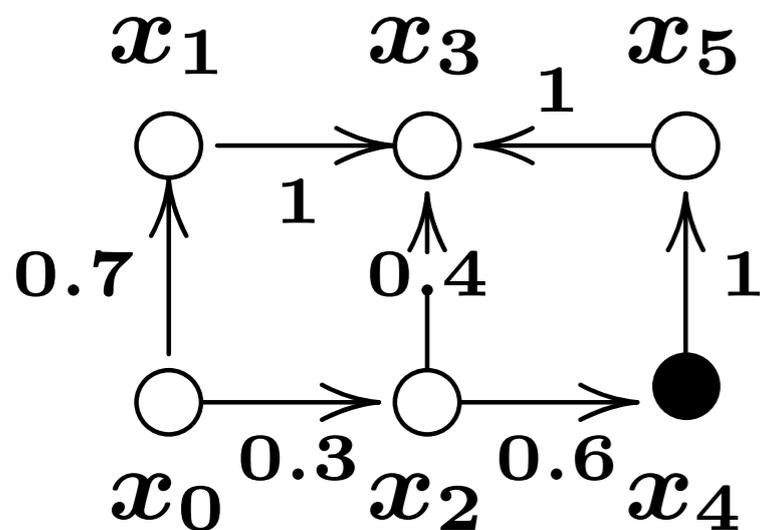


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- For nondeterministic systems,  $\exists \sigma : F\{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  s.t.  $[[\mu\sigma]]_c(x) = 1 \iff$  an accepting state is reachable from  $x$
- For probabilistic systems,  $\exists \sigma : F[0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  s.t.  $[[\mu\sigma]]_c(x) = \text{Prob}(\text{reach an accepting state from } x)$

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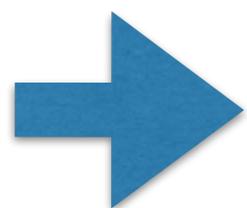
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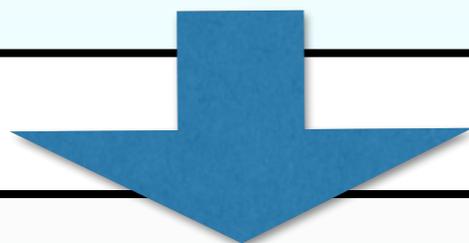
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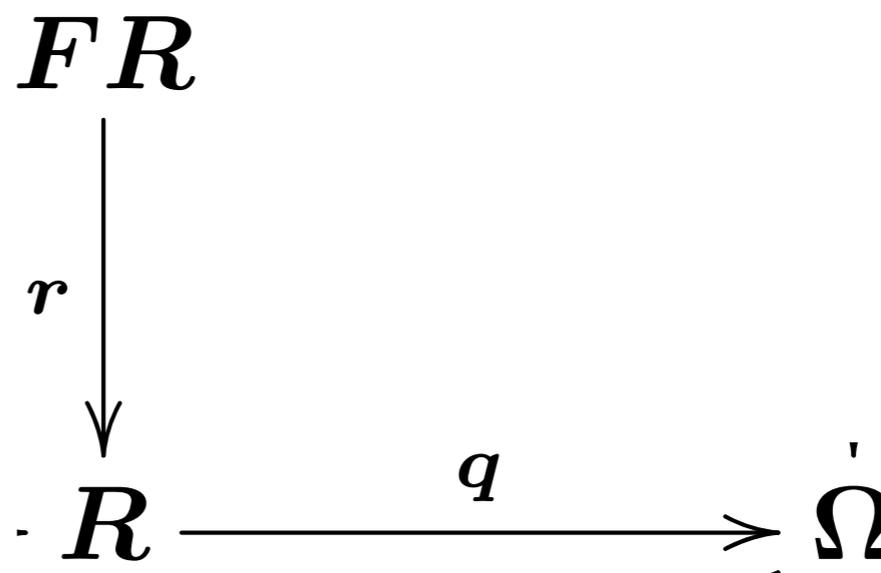
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# Corecursive Algebra

**Def:**

An algebra  $r : FR \rightarrow R$  is **corecursive** if for all coalgebra  $c : X \rightarrow FX$ , a coalgebra-algebra homomorphism from  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{R}$  uniquely exists.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} FX & \xrightarrow{F(r)_c} & FR \\ \uparrow c & = & \downarrow r \\ X & \xrightarrow{(r)_c} & R \end{array}$$

- It has been used to ensure **productivity** of general structured corecursion [Capretta et al., SBMF '09]
- We use it to ensure **reachability** (termination)

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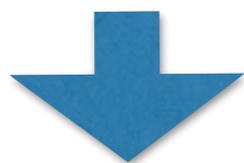
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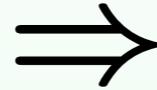
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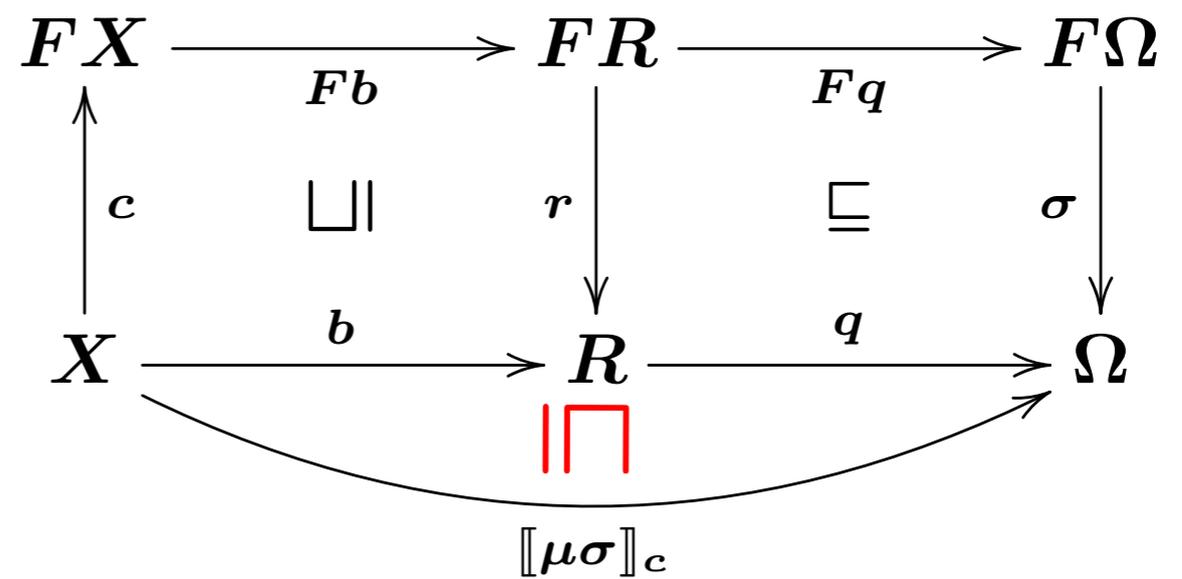
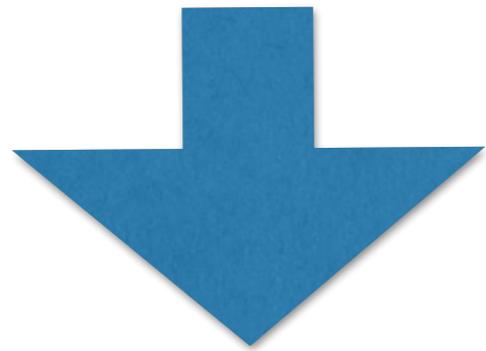
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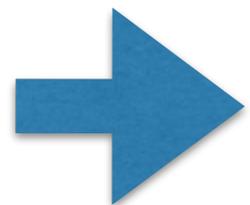
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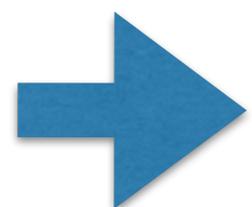
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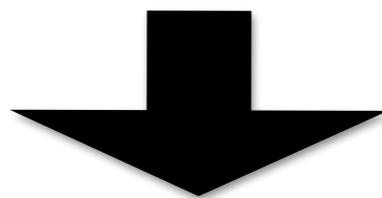
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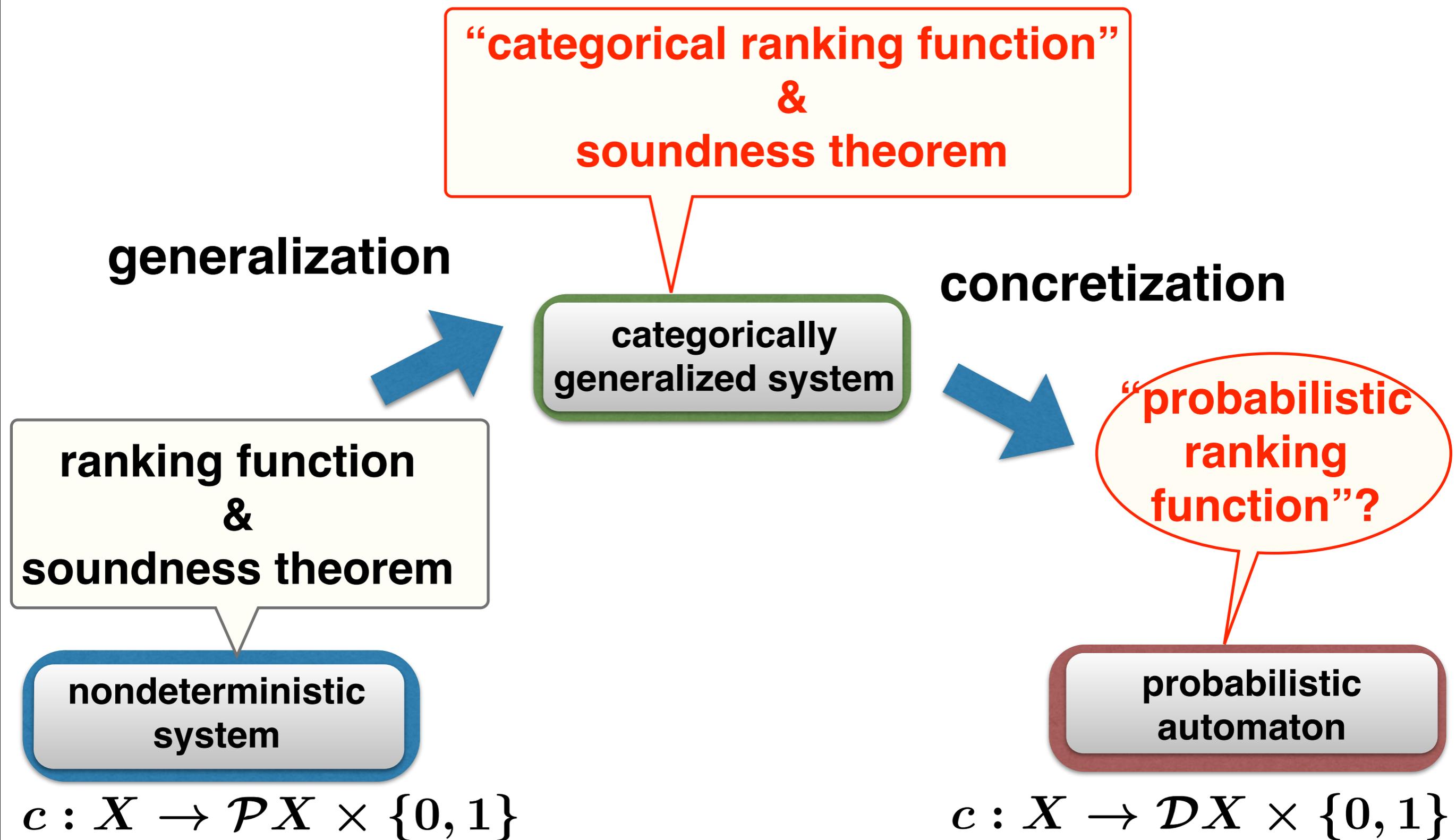


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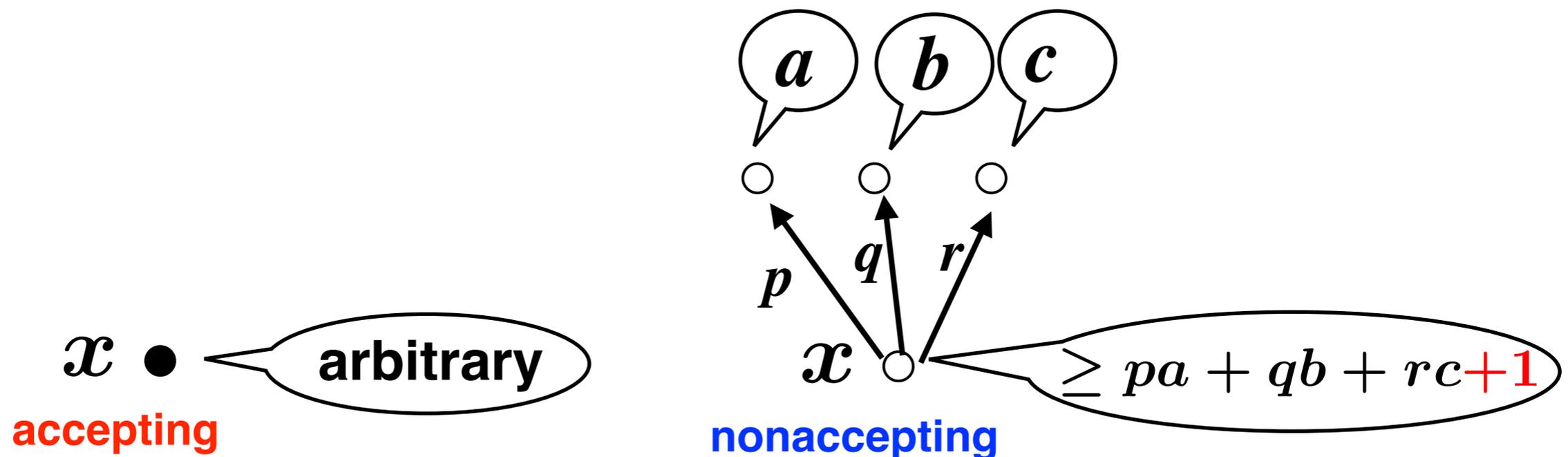
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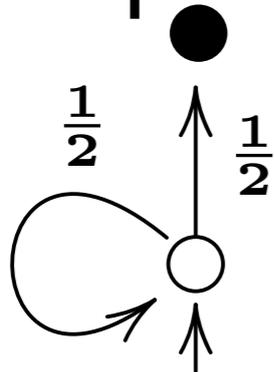


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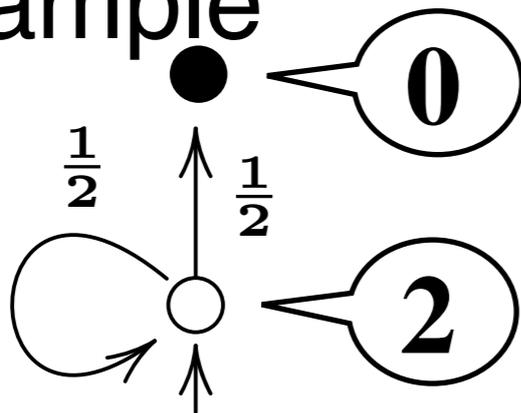


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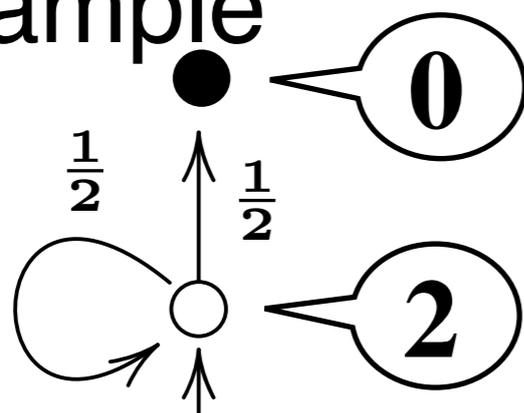
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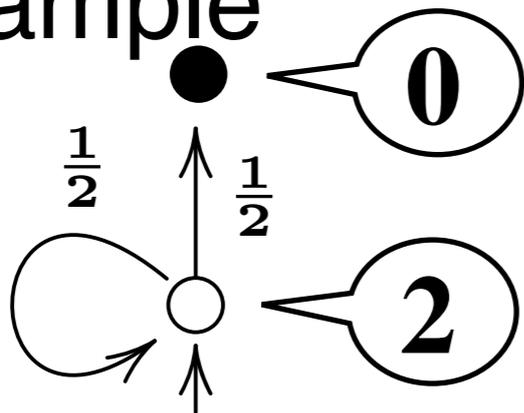
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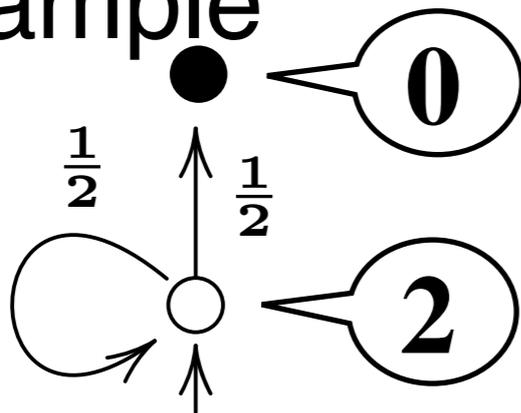
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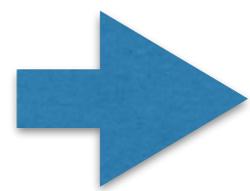
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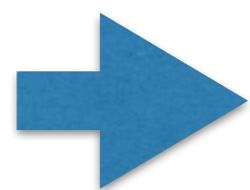


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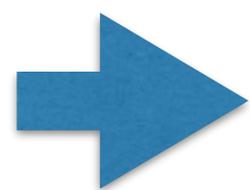
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- Instead, we found **two ranking domains** for probabilistic systems



They induces **new** definitions of ranking function  
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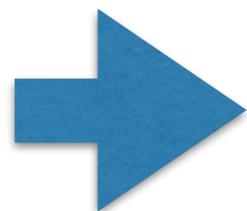
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**Quantitative reasoning**

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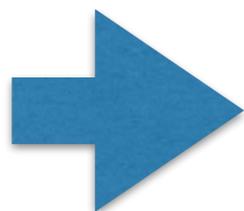
For  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ , a function  $b : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a  $\gamma$ -scaled noncounting ranking function if:

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# Conclusion

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  - **Post-fixed point + corecursive algebra**
  - (Categorical) soundness theorem
- Concretization for probabilistic systems:
  - failed to describe ranking supermartingale
  - induced two new notions for liveness checking

# Future Work

- Extension to Büchi/parity systems
- Implementation



