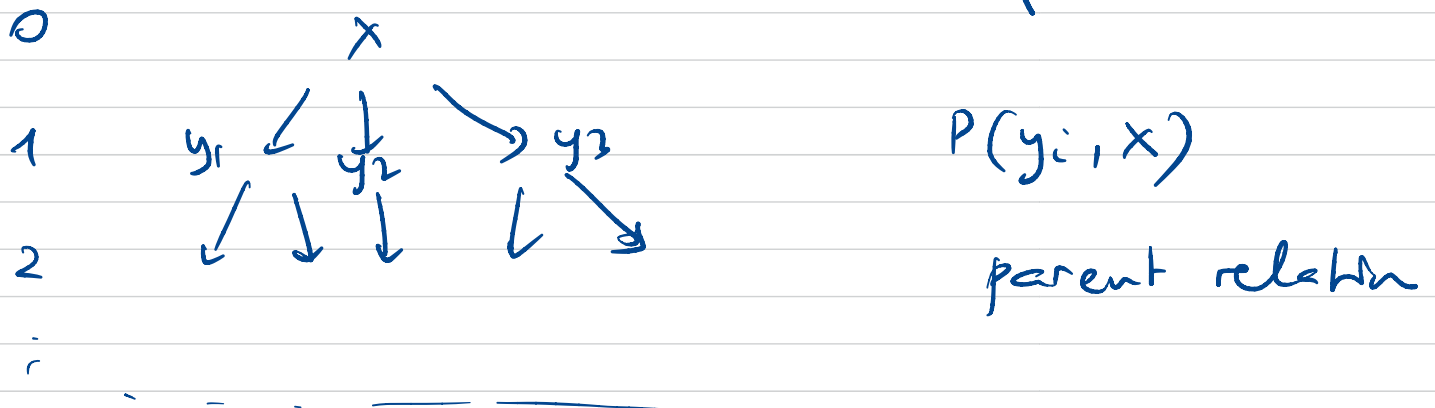



$$\text{All-reach}(x) : \forall y. (x \xrightarrow{*} y)$$

We want a $\exists$ SO formula for $\text{All-reach}(x)$

$$\exists R_1 \dots \exists R_k \underbrace{\varphi(R_1, \dots, R_k)}_{\text{F}_0 \text{ formula}}$$

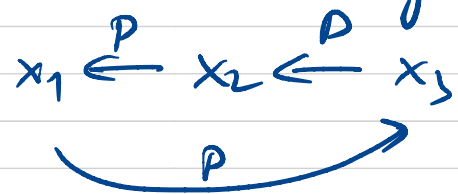


$$\exists P \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{"P is a parent relation"} \\ \text{binary} \end{array} \right. \& \left. \begin{array}{l} x \text{ is the root} \& P \text{ has} \\ \text{no loop} \end{array} \right)$$

1 every vertex $\neq x$ has parent

2 if the parent is def., then it's unique

A relation satisfying (1) & (2) may have loops



3 x has no parent

Y P has no loop
 → use levels !

(4.1) $P(z, z')$: z' is parent of z
 ⇒ $\text{level}(z') < \text{level}(z)$

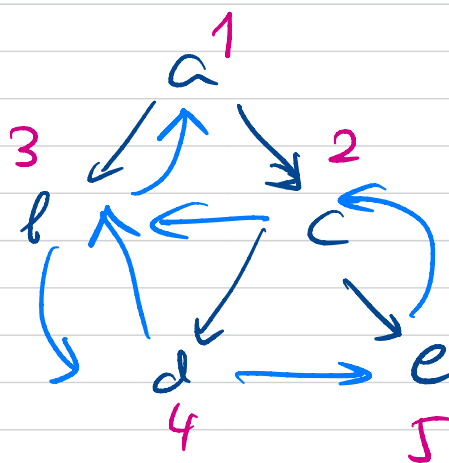
(4.2) $\text{level}(x) = \text{smallest level}$

$\exists \overset{\text{linear}}{L}, P$ (L is total order $\wedge$
 P is parent relation $\wedge$
 x has no parent $\wedge$
 total order parent

the L-rank decreases along
 P-edges

$P := \{ (b, a), (c, a), (d, c), (e, c) \}$

$x = a$



φ_1 1) L is total order $\hat{=}$

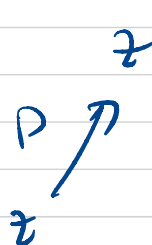
L is refl. & transitive & anti-sym. & total

$$\forall x. L(x, x) \wedge \forall x, y, z. (L(x, y) \wedge L(y, z) \Rightarrow L(x, z)) \wedge$$

$$\forall x, y (L(x, y) \wedge L(y, x) \Rightarrow x = y) \wedge$$

$$\forall x, y (L(x, y) \vee L(y, x))$$

φ_2 2) L -rank decreases along P - 'edges'

 $\Rightarrow z'$ is before z in L

$$\forall z, z'. [P(z, z') \Rightarrow L(z', z) \text{ \& } z \neq z']$$

$\leadsto$ no loops in P

φ_3 3) x is root $\hat{=}$ x is minimal wrt L .

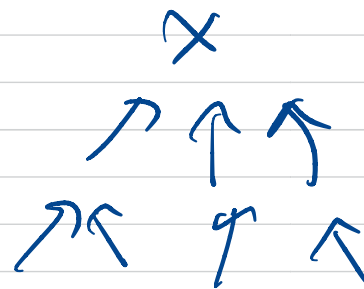
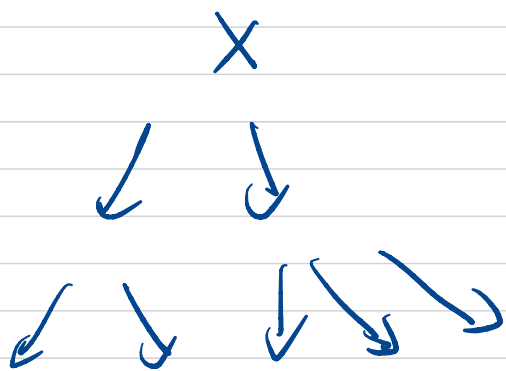
$$\forall y. L(x, y)$$

$$\varphi_4$$
 4) $\forall z, z'. (P(z, z') \Rightarrow E(z', z))$

$$\exists L. \exists P. (\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \wedge \varphi_3 \wedge \varphi_4)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} \text{All-reach}(x)$$

False



All-co-reach(x)

Graph is strongly connected :

$$\exists x. (\text{All-reach}(x) \wedge \text{All-co-reach}(x))$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\exists L \exists P. \dots$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\exists L' \exists P' \dots$$

$$\exists x. \exists L \exists P \exists L' \exists P' (\dots \wedge \dots)$$

False formula

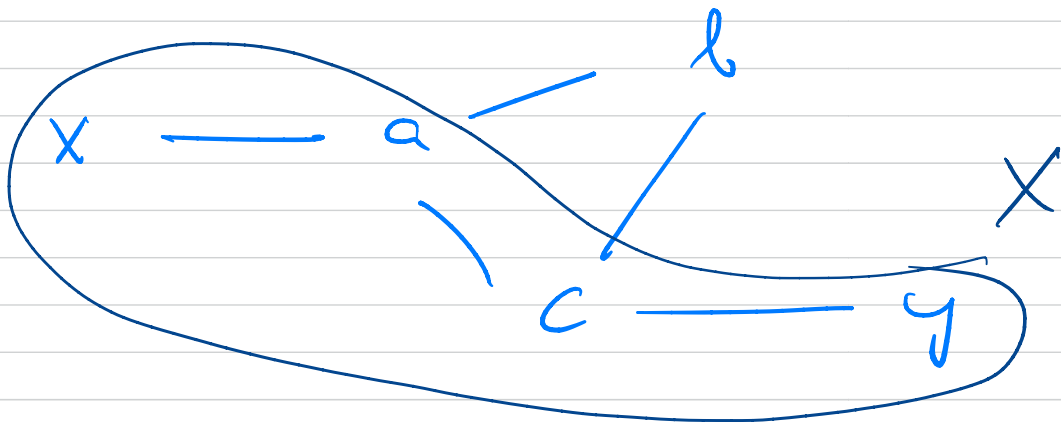
G undirected, x, y vertices

$\text{Reach}(x, y) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \text{there is a path between } x \text{ \& } y$

MSO formula: $\exists X. \varphi$



$X = \text{set of vertices on a simple path between } x \text{ and } y$

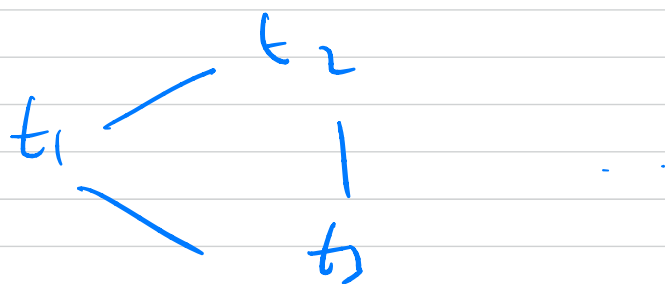


$\exists X. (x \text{ has exactly 1 neighbor in } X, y \text{ has exactly 1 neighbor in } X)$

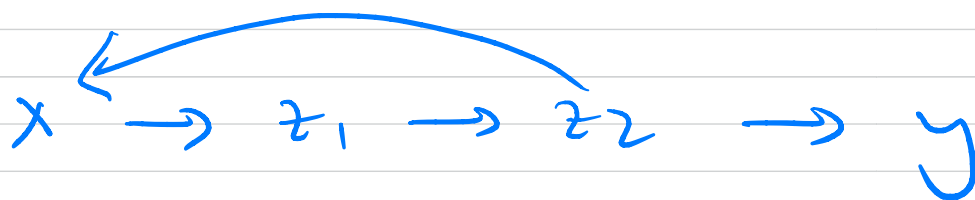
and $\forall z \in X - \{x, y\}$ has
 exactly 2 neighbors in X
 and $x, y \in X$)

If such X exists then there
 $\rightarrow$ a path between x and y -

$x \text{ --- } z_1 \text{ --- } z_2 \text{ --- } \dots \text{ --- } y$
 $\in X \quad \in X \quad \in X \quad \quad \in X$

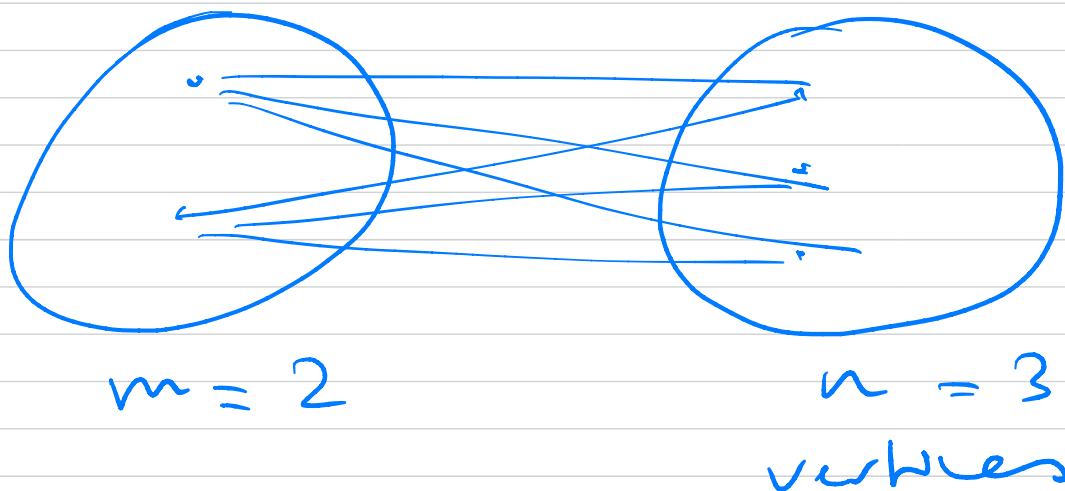


If there is a path between x, y
 then X with all properties
 exists. $\rightarrow$ Take a simple
 path between x and y -



$$X = \{x, z_1, z_2, y\}$$

$K_{m,n}$: full bipartite graph



$K_{m,n}$ has HC $\Leftrightarrow$

$$m = n \geq 2$$

MSO over words = REG

$$L = \{a^n b^n : n \geq 0\} \notin REG$$

word $w = a^m b^n \rightarrow$
 construct a full bipartite
 graph G_w st.

G_w has HC $\Leftrightarrow$

$$w \in L \Leftrightarrow m = n$$

$$G_w = K_{m,n}$$

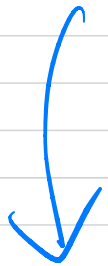


V : positions of the word

$$E(x, y) = (a(x) \wedge b(y)) \vee (b(x) \wedge a(y))$$

$$\exists X \forall x, y (x \in X \wedge y \notin X \rightarrow E(x, y))$$

talks about G_w



$$\exists X. \forall x, y (x \in X \wedge y \notin X \rightarrow ((a(x) \wedge b(y)) \vee (b(x) \wedge a(y))))$$

talks about w

If φ is a formula Π_1^1 expressing Hamiltonicity, then $\hat{\varphi} = \varphi \mid$ where $E(x, y)$ is replaced is an Π_1^1 formula that expresses $\{w : |w|_a = |w|_b\}$

EF-games: used for non-expressiveness results

EF-games for $FO, \exists FO, \dots$
 $\swarrow \quad \searrow$
 $FO(\text{succ}) \quad FO(<)$
 over words
 $FO(E)$

$(aa)^* \notin FO(<)$

EF-games: 2 players
 S, D .

They play over 2 words
(or graphs...)

$$w_1 = a a a a$$

$$a a a = w_2$$

In k rounds: I, D choose
positions $i_1, \dots, i_k$ in w_1 ,
 $j_1, \dots, j_k$ in w_2 .

D wins iff

$$\forall m, n \in \{1, \dots, k\}$$

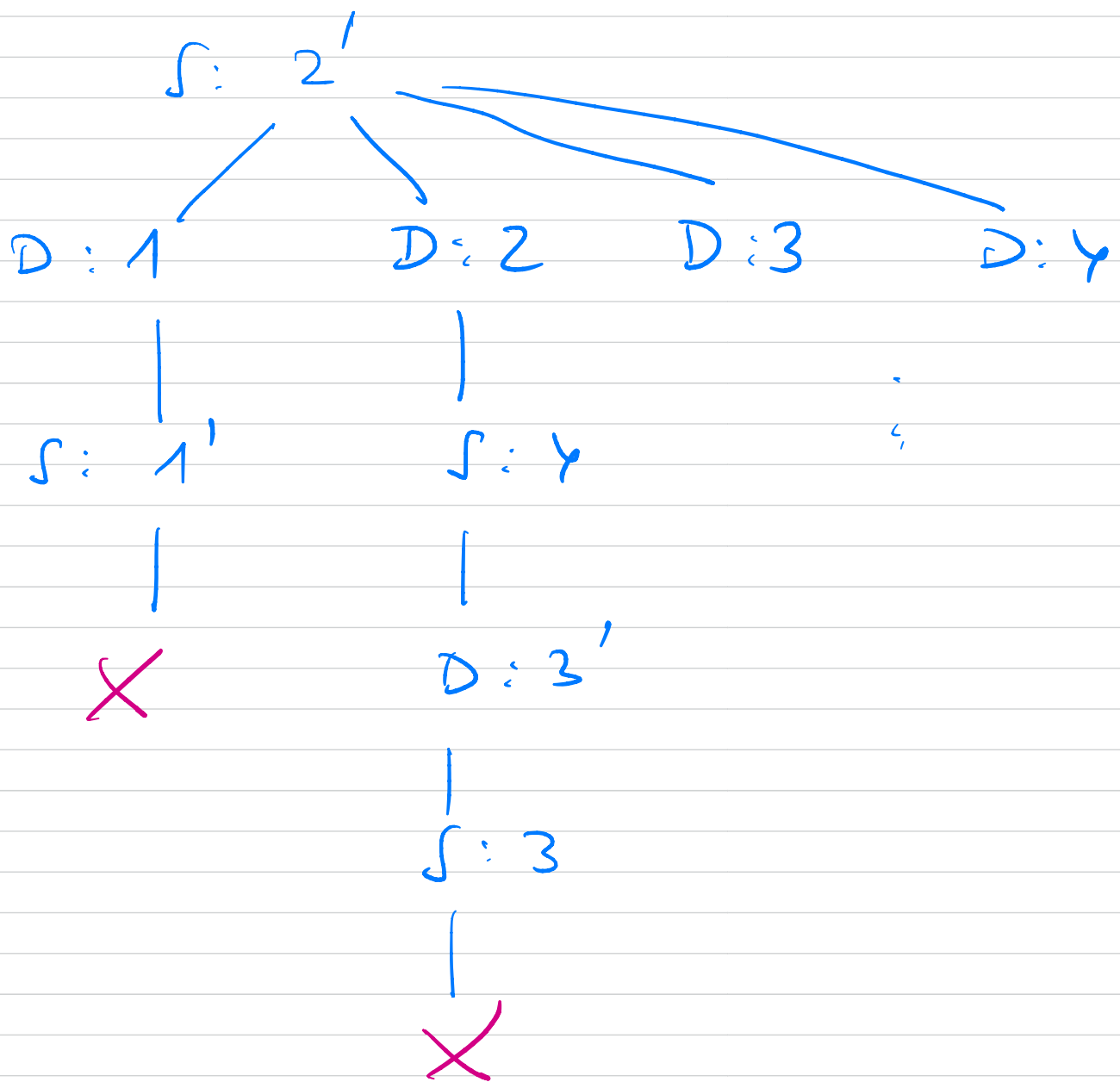
$$1) \quad i_m < i_n \Leftrightarrow j_m < j_n$$

$$2) \quad i_m = i_n \Leftrightarrow j_m = j_n$$

Game for $FO(<)$

S_3
 $D_1 \quad S_2$
 1 2 3 4

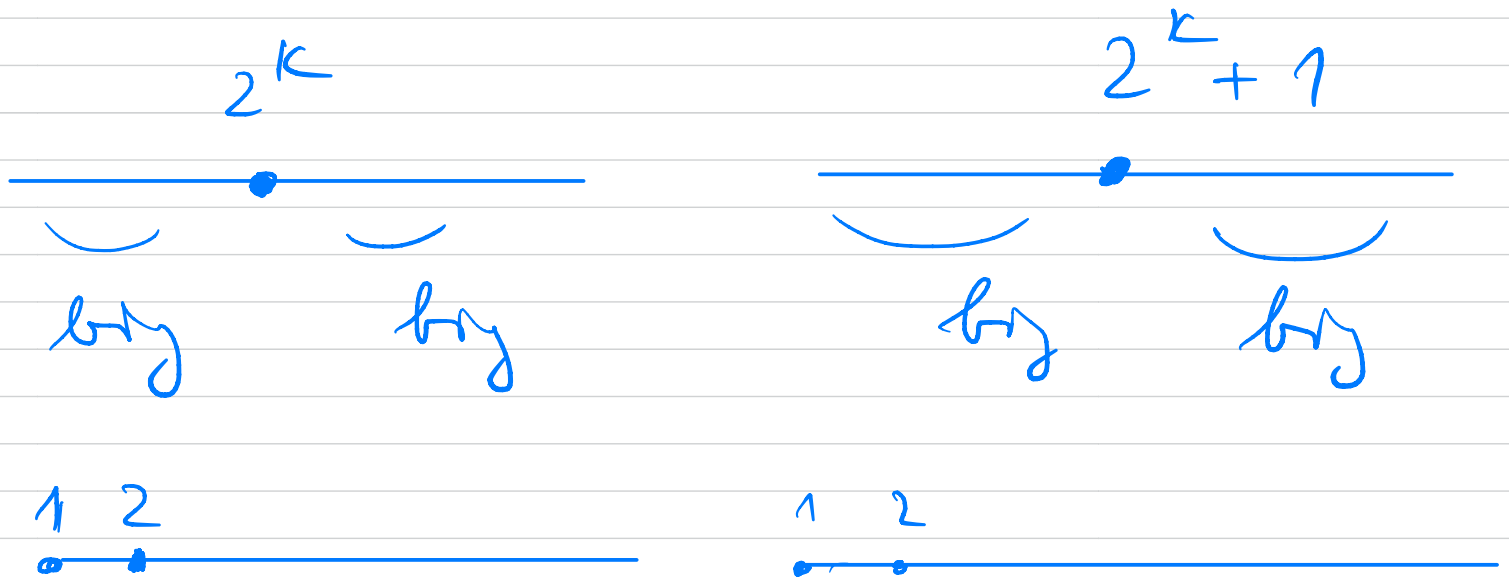
$S_1 \quad D_2$
 1' 2' 3'



S wins in 3 rounds

$$w_1 = a^{2^k}$$

$$w_2 = a^{2^k + 1}$$



$\forall K$: Duple has a winning strategy on w_1, w_2
 depend on K
 st. $w_1 \in L$ and $w_2 \notin L$

$\Rightarrow L = (aa)^*$ is not expressible in FO