

COL:750

Foundations of Automatic Verification

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Course Webpage



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Model Checking using Interpolants

Inductive Invariants

$$\text{Post-image}(Q) = \{s' \mid \exists s \in Q . T(s, s')\}$$

Inductive invariant (I_s) for $\forall \Box p$

1. I_s must include the set of initial states, $I \subseteq I_s$
2. I_s must not include a state that is labeled with $\neg p$, $\forall s \in I_s, s \models p$
3. I_s must be closed under transition relation, $\text{post-image}(I_s) \subseteq I_s$ holds.

If there exists a inductive invariant for $\forall \Box P$, then $M \models \forall \Box p$

Model Checking using Interpolants

Can you use interpolants to compute inductive invariants?

1. Constructs an over-approximation of the reachable states
2. Terminates when it finds an inductive invariant or a counterexample

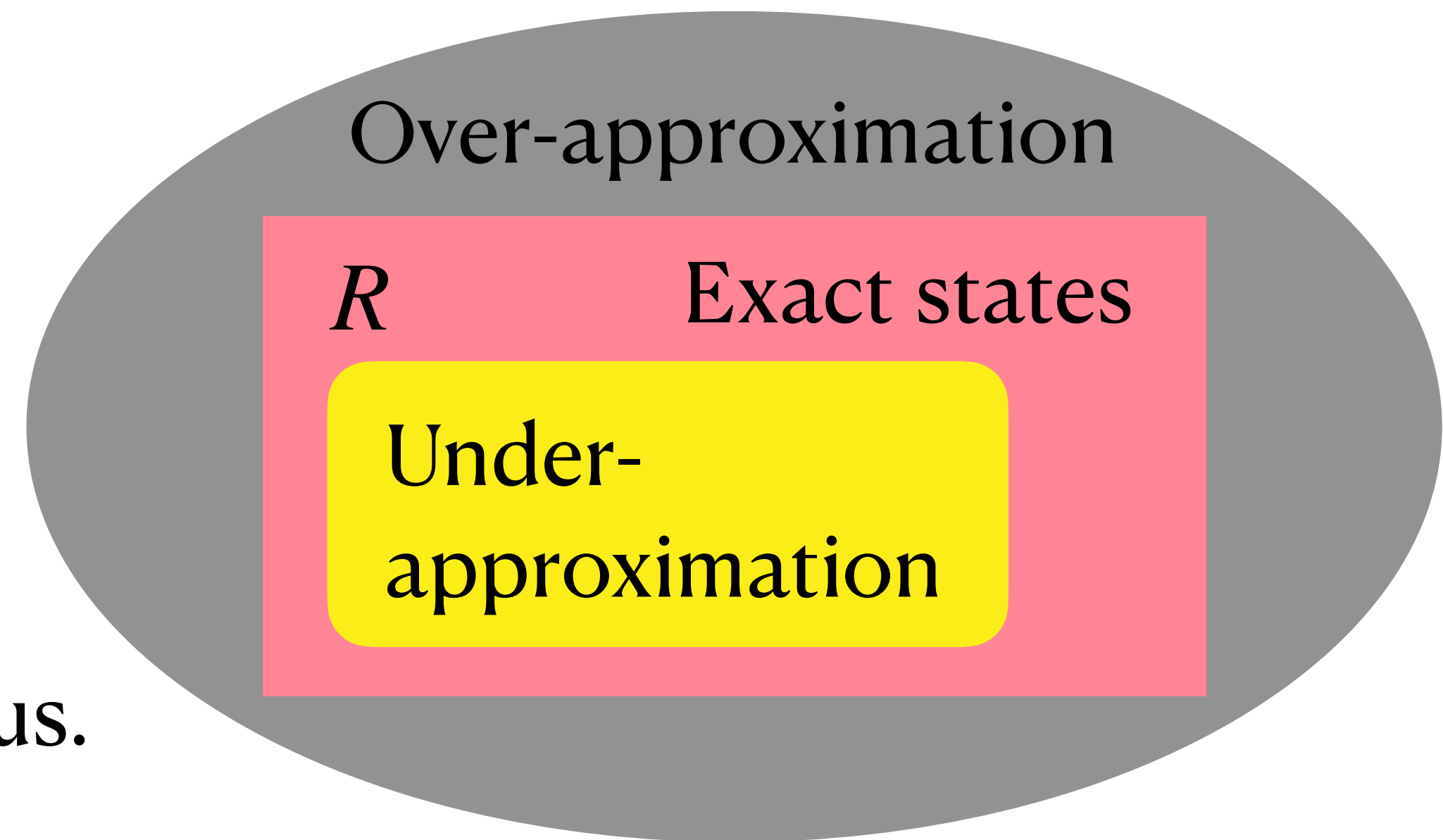
Actual reachable set: R

Over-approximation (O_p): $R \rightarrow O_p$

1. Proofs on over-approximation holds.
2. Counterexample can be spurious.

Under-approximation (U_p): $U_p \rightarrow R$

1. Proofs on over-approximation can be spurious.
2. Counterexample holds



Model Checking using Interpolants

General idea:

1. Perform BMC

2. If BMC is UNSAT:

Iteratively compute and refine an over-approximation of states reachable in K steps.

Compute Interpolant as over-approximation.

If interpolant is inductive

Return True.

else

use interpolant to over-approximate.

3. If BMC is SAT:

Check if over-approximation is same as initial states
otherwise increase K .

procedure *CraigReachability*(model M , $p \in AP$)

if $S_0 \wedge \neg p$ is SAT **return** “ $M \not\models \mathbf{AG} p$ ”;

$k := 1$;

$Q := S_0$;

while *true* **do**

$A := Q(s_0) \wedge R(s_0, s_1)$;

$B := \bigwedge_{i=1}^{k-1} R(s_i, s_{i+1}) \wedge \bigvee_{i=1}^k \neg p(s_i)$;

if $A \wedge B$ is SAT **then**

if $Q = S_0$ **then return** “ $M \not\models \mathbf{AG} p$ ”;

Increase k

$Q := S_0$

else

compute interpolant I for A and B

if $I \subseteq Q$ **then return** “ $M \models \mathbf{AG} p$ ”;

$Q := Q \cup I$

end if

end while

end procedure

Inductive Trace

An Inductive trace of a transition system T is a sequence of formula $[F_o, \dots, F_K]$ such that:

- 1. $I \rightarrow F_o$
- 2. $\forall i \in [o, \dots, K], F_i(s) \wedge T(s, s') \rightarrow F_{i+1}(s')$

Example: state variables $\{a, b\}$

initial condition $I = \neg a \wedge \neg b$

transition function. $next\ a = b \quad next\ b = a$

Checking for property $\forall \Box \neg b$

Reachability to a state with b

$Let\ F_o = I = \neg a \wedge \neg b$

$(\neg a_o \wedge \neg b_o) \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow b_o) \wedge (b_1 \leftrightarrow a_o) \wedge b_1$

A

B

UNSAT

Interpolant

$\neg b_1$

$F_o \wedge T(s_o, s_1) \rightarrow \neg b_1$

$F_1 = \neg b$

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A Trace is *Good* iff $\forall i, F_i \rightarrow \neg Bad$ For all F_i , property doesn't hold True!!!

A Trace is *Monotone* iff $\forall i, F_i \subseteq F_{i+1}$

Monotonicity ensures that as time progresses, we do not "forget" any reachable state
It aligns with the notion that reachable states can only grow (never shrink) as time increases

A Trace is *Closed* iff $\exists 1 \leq i \leq K, F_i \rightarrow (F_o \vee \dots \vee F_{i-1})$

Each F_i is called Frames

A transition system T is called SAFE if and only if it admits a good, monotone, closed trace.

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The goal is to find an inductive invariant

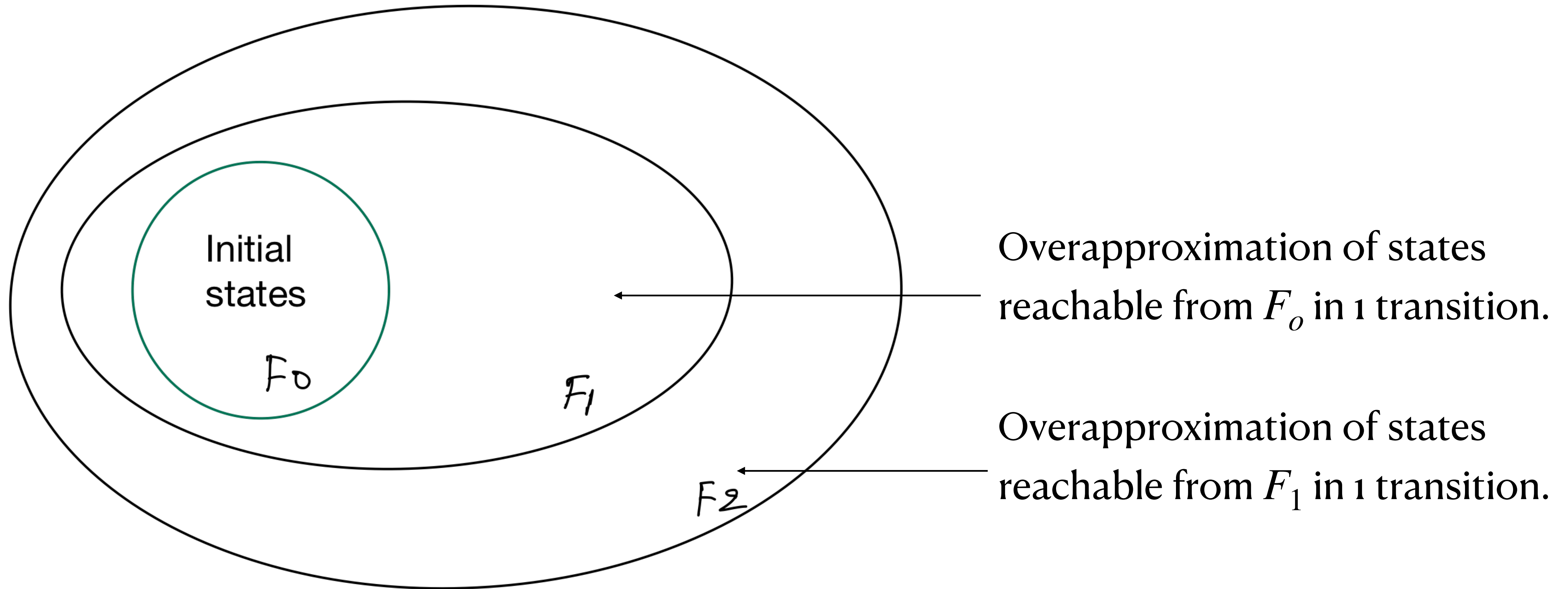
By learning inductive facts incrementally

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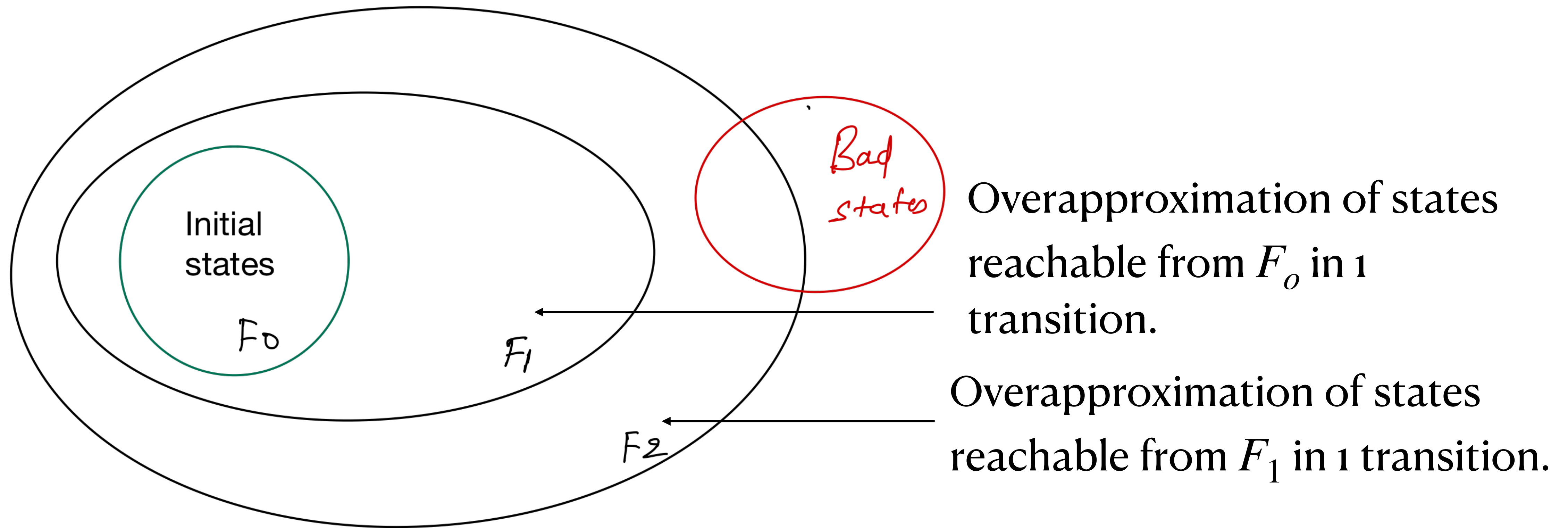
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2. $\forall i \in [o, \dots, K], F_i(s) \wedge T(s, s') \rightarrow F_{i+1}(s')$ A trace called clausal if every F_i is in CNF.

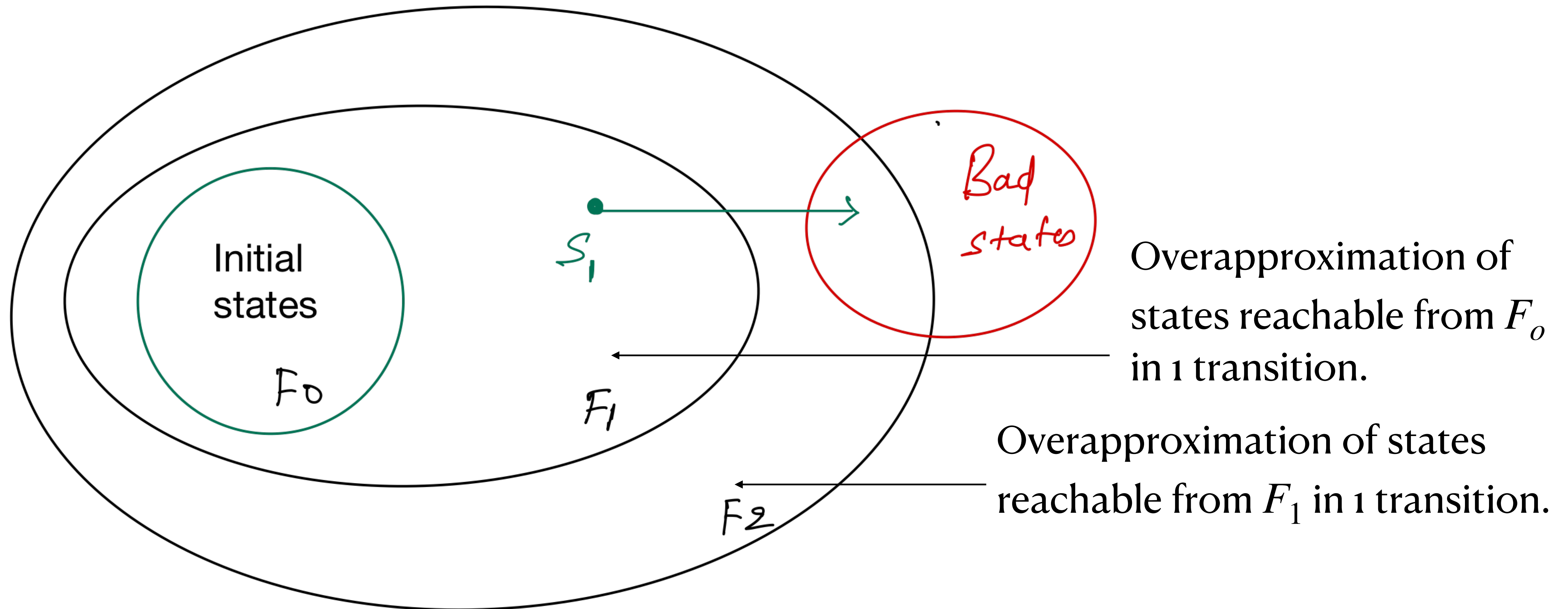
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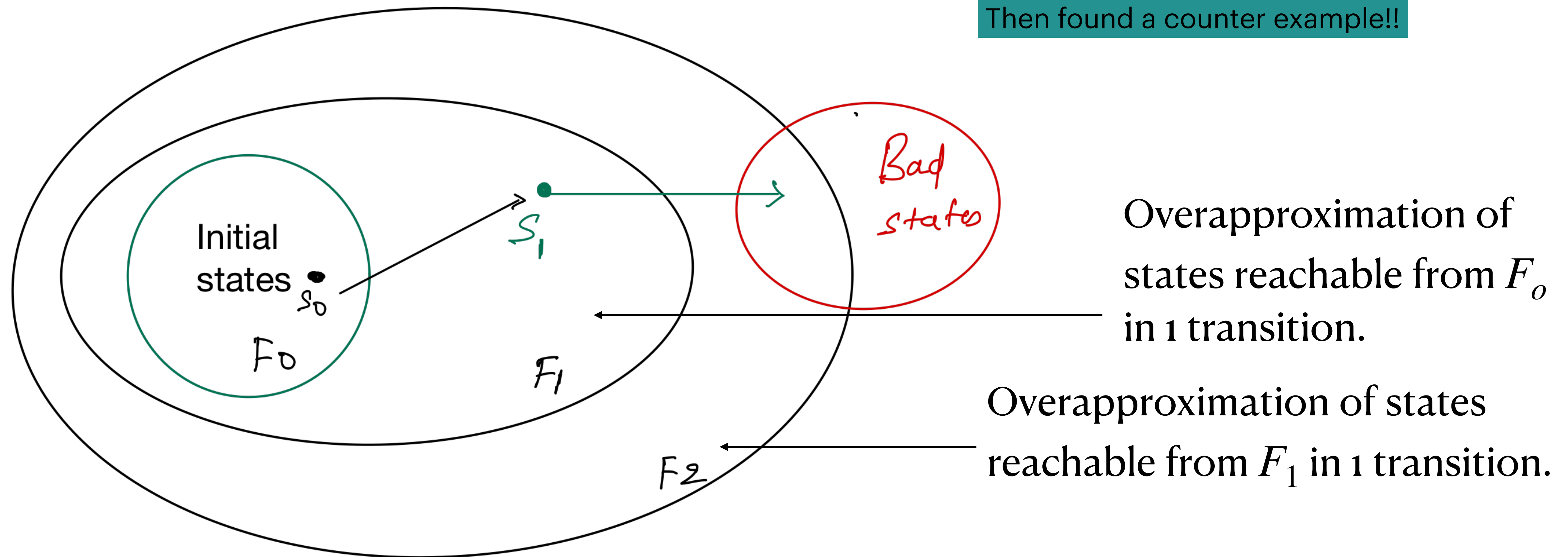
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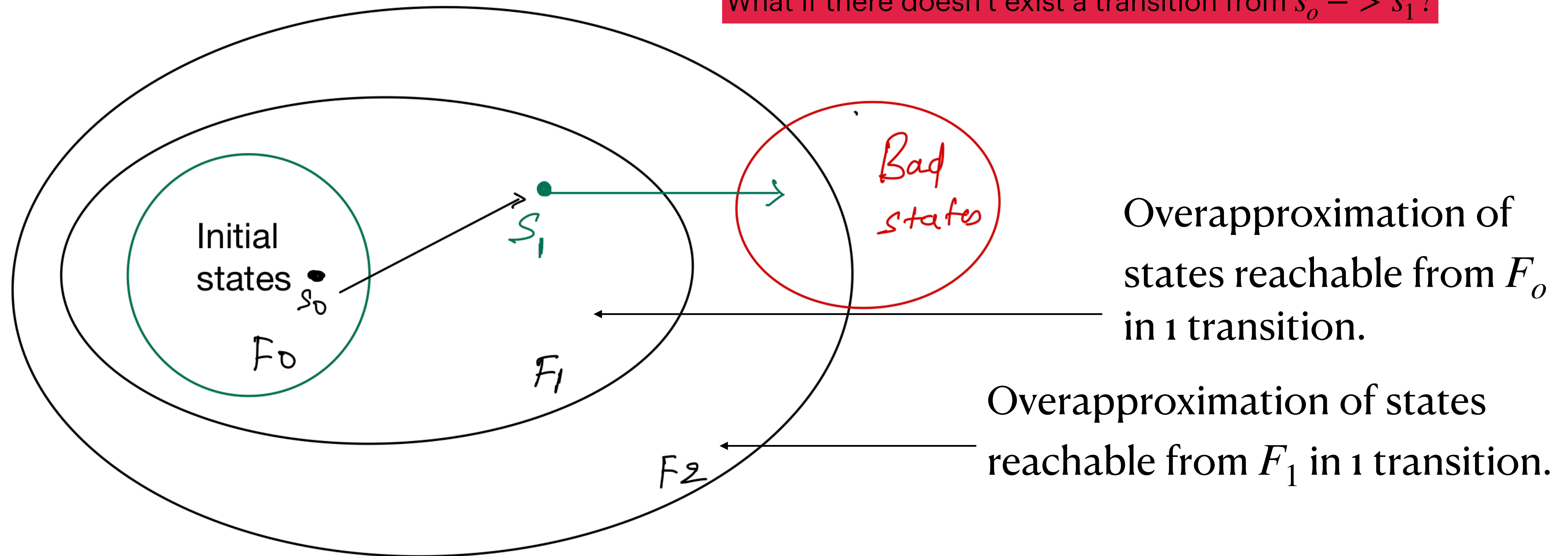
If $s_0 \rightarrow s_1 \rightarrow \text{Badstate}$

Then found a counter example!!



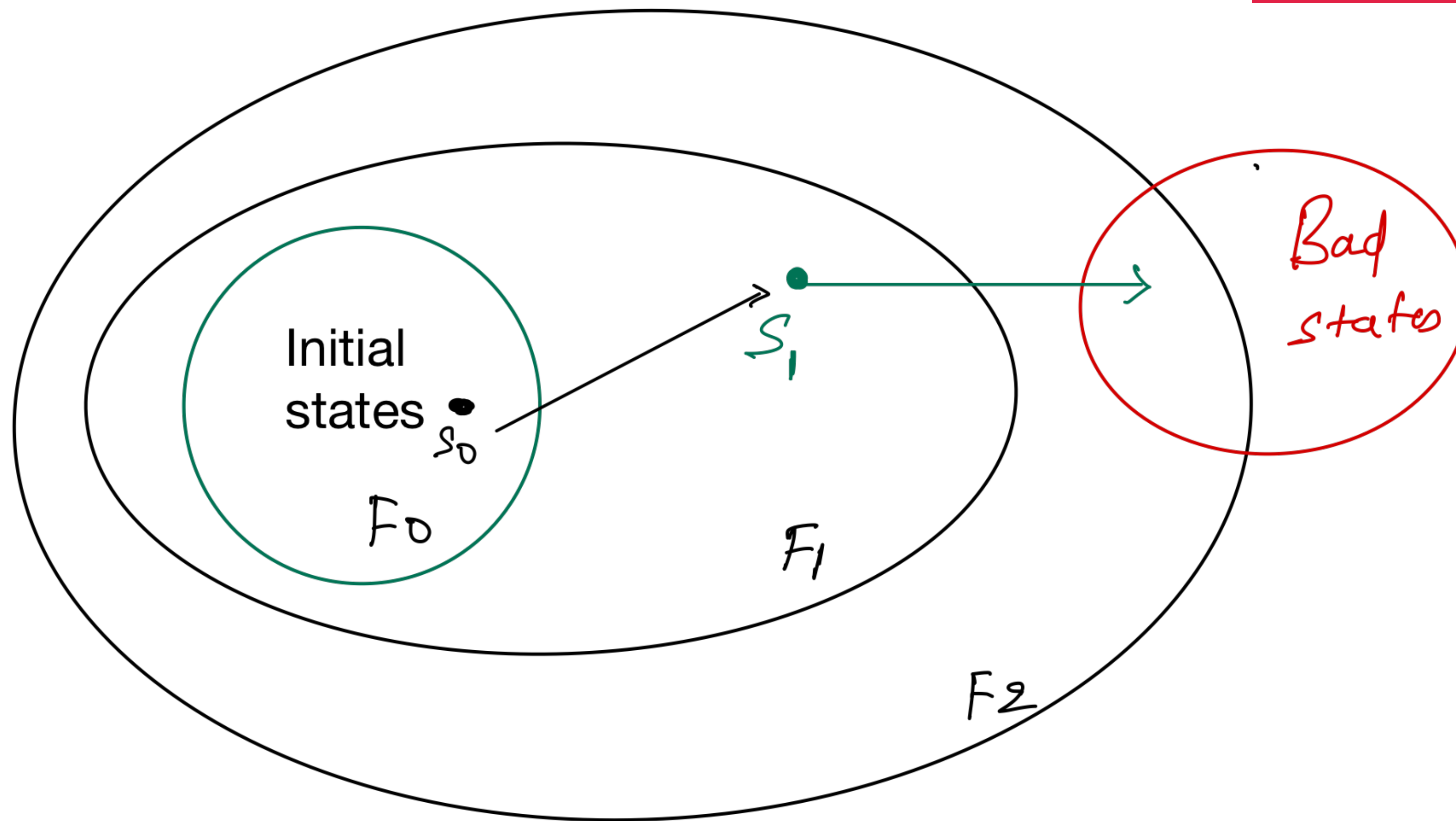
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We should block s_1 from F_1 :

$$F_1 = F_1 \wedge \neg \left(\bigwedge_{\forall v_i \in s_1} v_i \right)$$

Clause!!

$$F_1 = F_1 \wedge \left(\bigvee_{\forall v_i \in s_1} \neg v_i \right)$$

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Checking for property $\forall \square \neg b$

Reachability to a state with b

Let $F_o = I = \neg a \wedge \neg b$ $(\underbrace{\neg a_o \wedge \neg b_o}_A) \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow b_o) \wedge (b_1 \leftrightarrow a_o) \wedge \underbrace{b_1}_B$ UNSAT

Interpolant $\neg b_1$ $F_o \wedge T(s_o, s_1) \rightarrow \neg b_1$ $F_1 = \neg b$

$F_1 \wedge T(s_1, s_2) \wedge b_2$ $\neg b_1 \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow b_1) \wedge (b_2 \leftrightarrow a_1) \wedge b_2$ SAT

From F_1 in one transition bad state is reachable!!! $\sigma : \langle a_1 = 1, b_1 = 0, a_2 = 0, b_2 = 1 \rangle$

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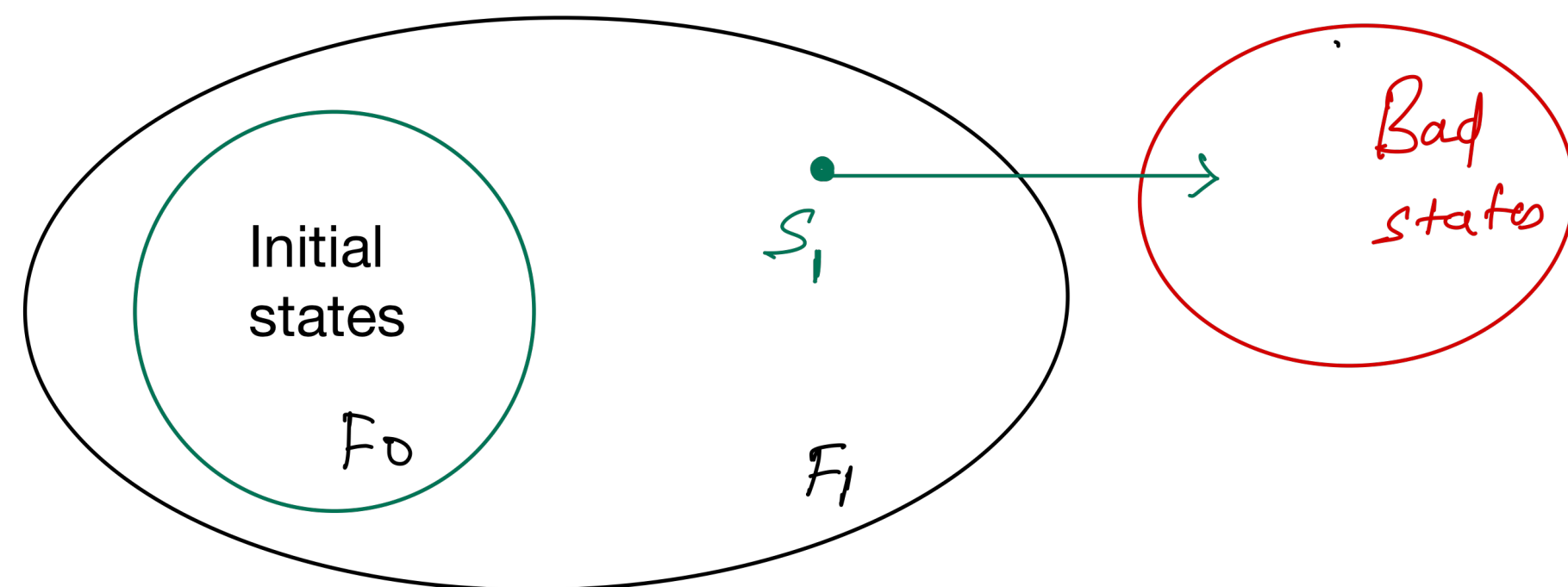
Reachability to a state with b

$$F_o = \neg a_o \wedge \neg b_o$$

$$F_1 = \neg b_1$$

$$\neg b_1 \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow b_1) \wedge (b_2 \leftrightarrow a_1) \wedge b_2$$

$$\sigma : \langle a_1 = 1, b_1 = 0, a_2 = 0, b_2 = 1 \rangle$$



$$s_1 = a_1 \wedge \neg b_1$$

We extract state s_1 from $\sigma \models F_1 \wedge T(s_1, s_2) \wedge b$

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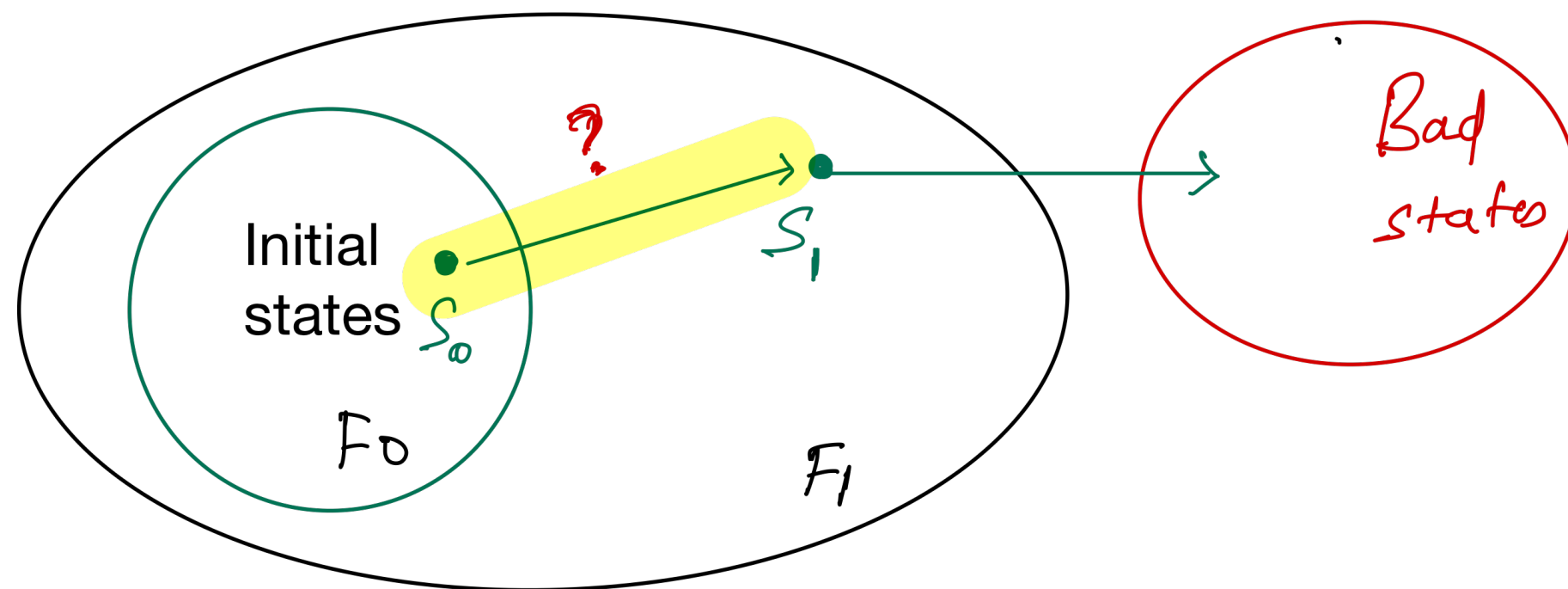
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$$\neg a_o \wedge \neg b_o \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow b_o) \wedge (b_1 \leftrightarrow a_o) \wedge (a_1 \wedge \neg b_1)$$

UNSAT

s_1 is not reachable from F_o

We need to block s_1 from F_1

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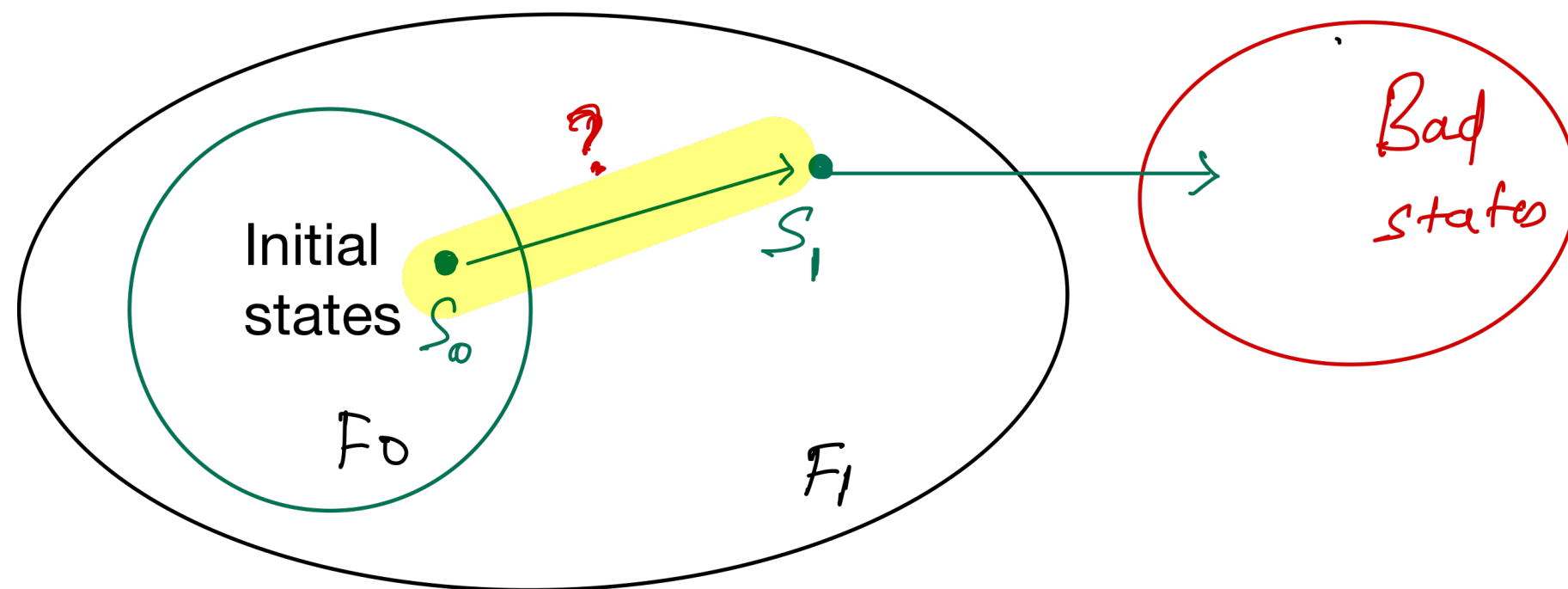
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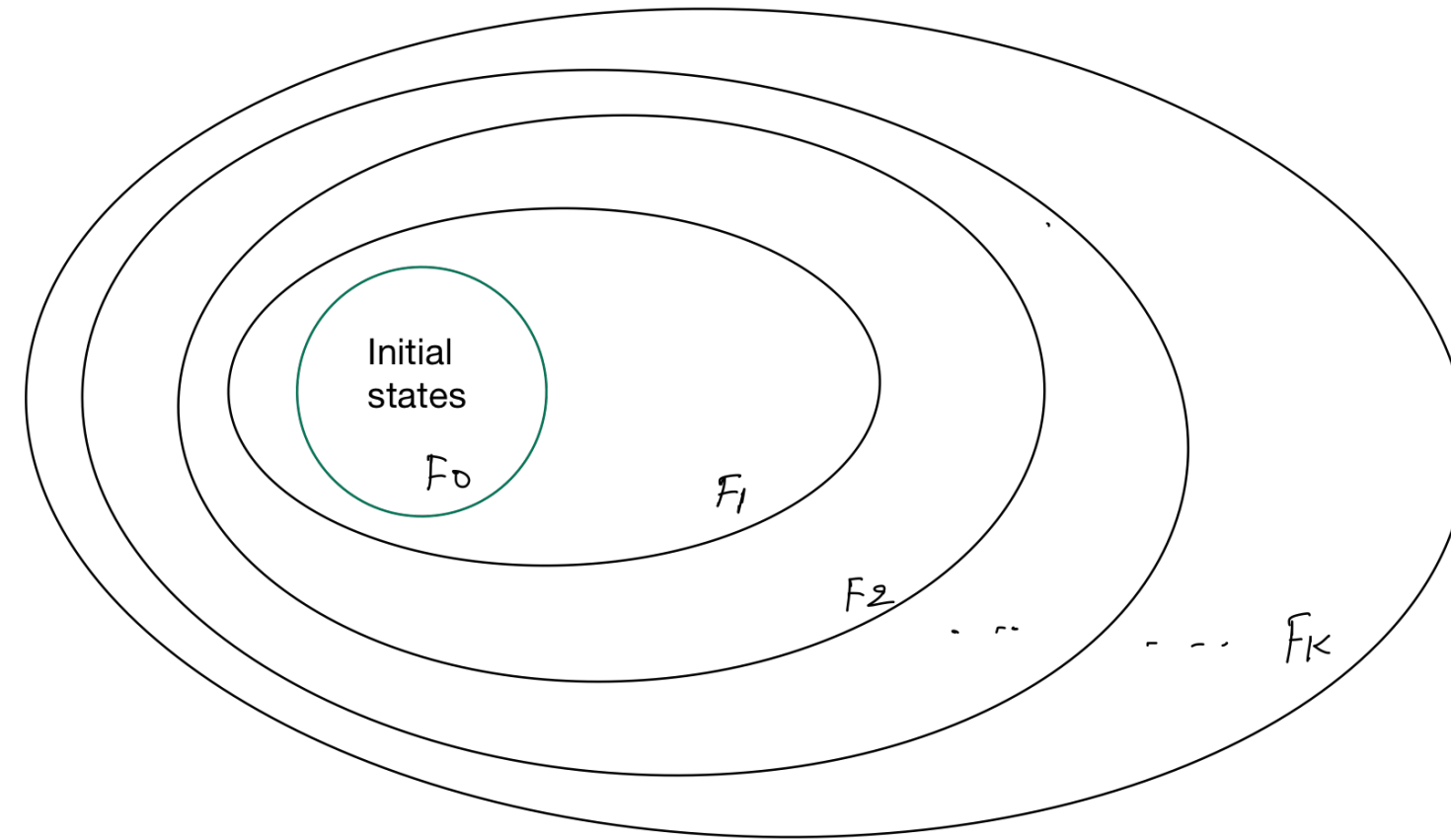
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BlockClause c

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When to stop ?

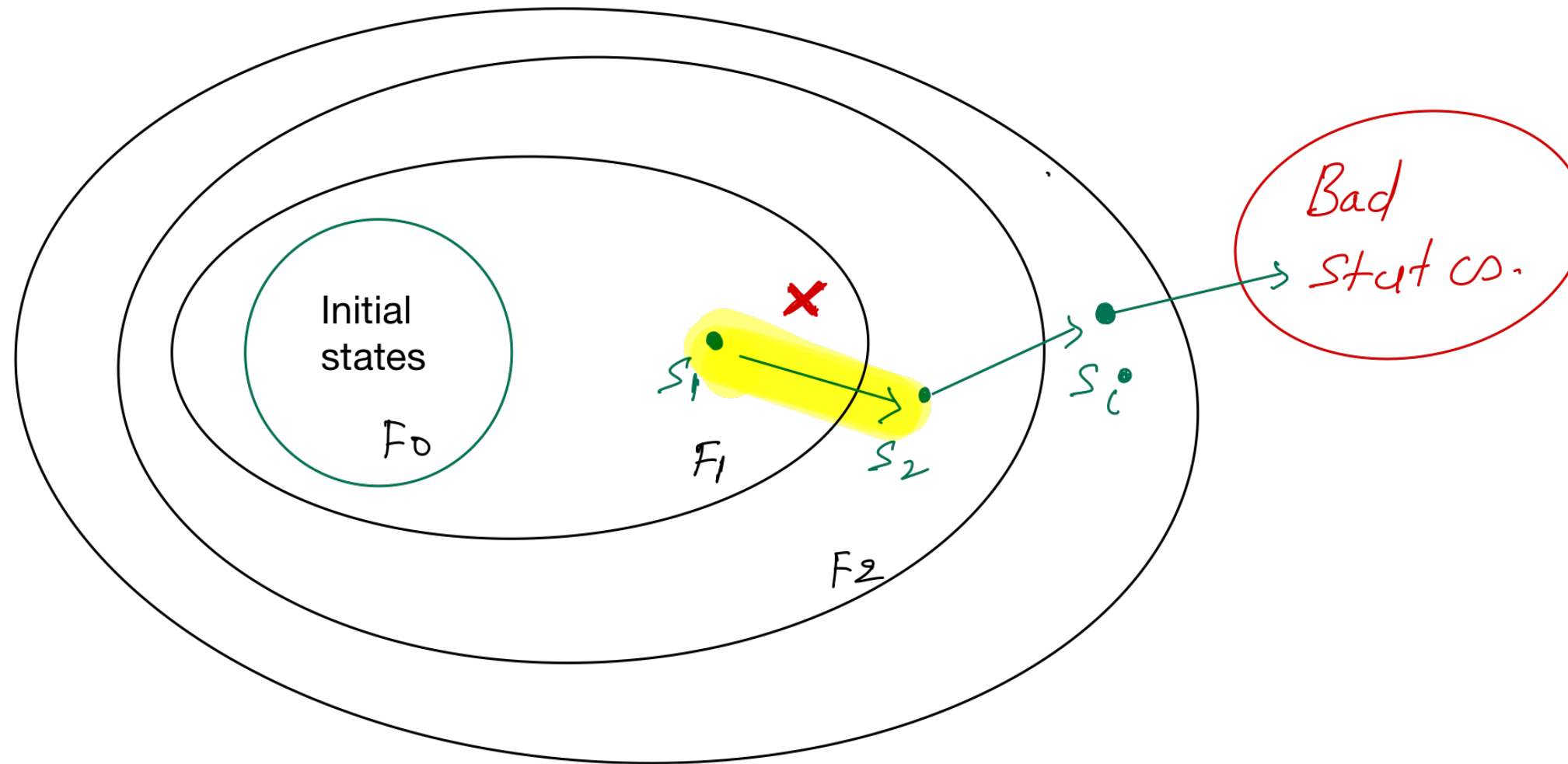


$$\exists i F_i = F_{i+1}$$

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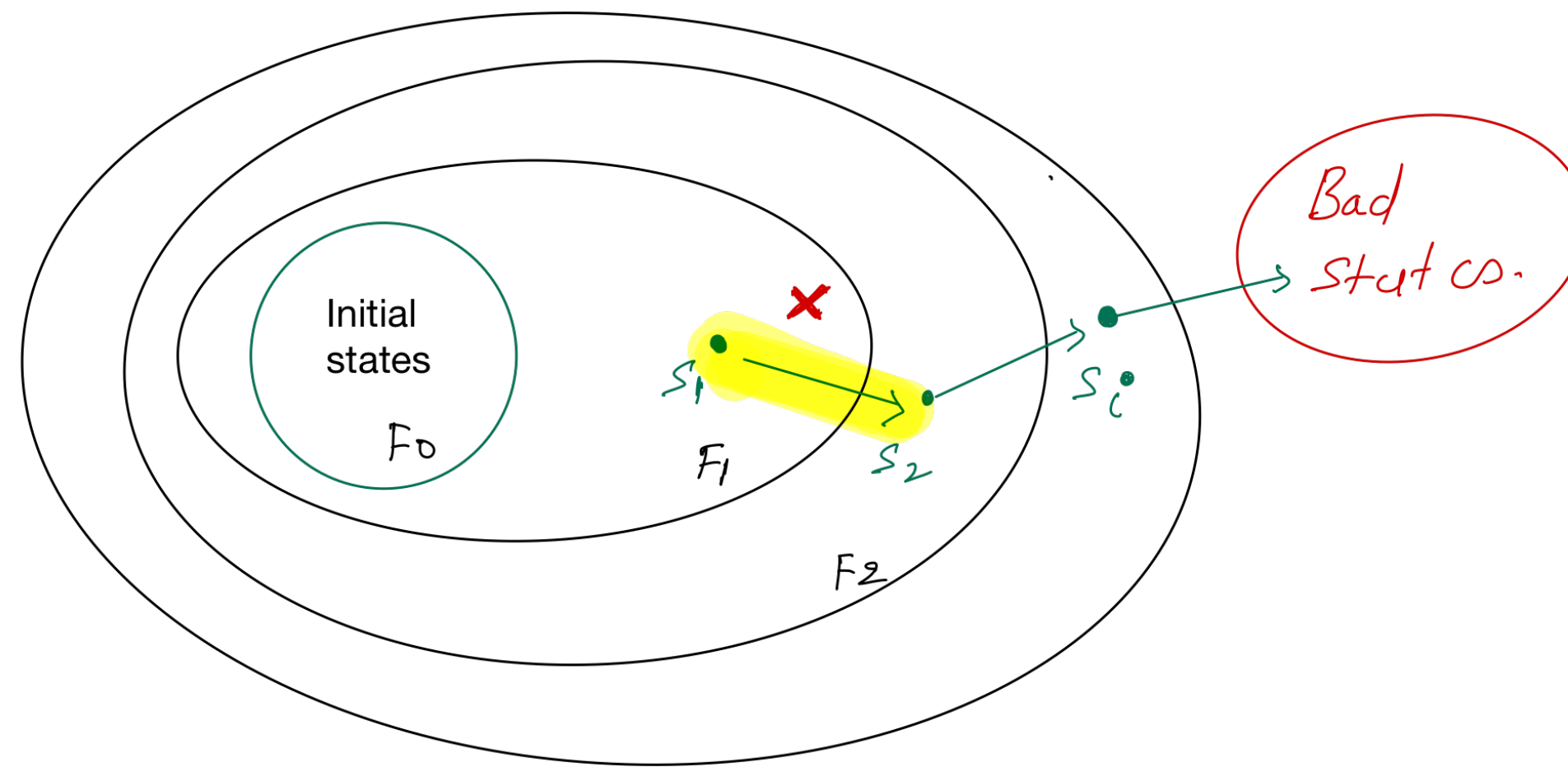
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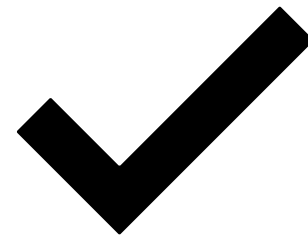
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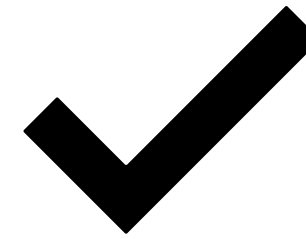


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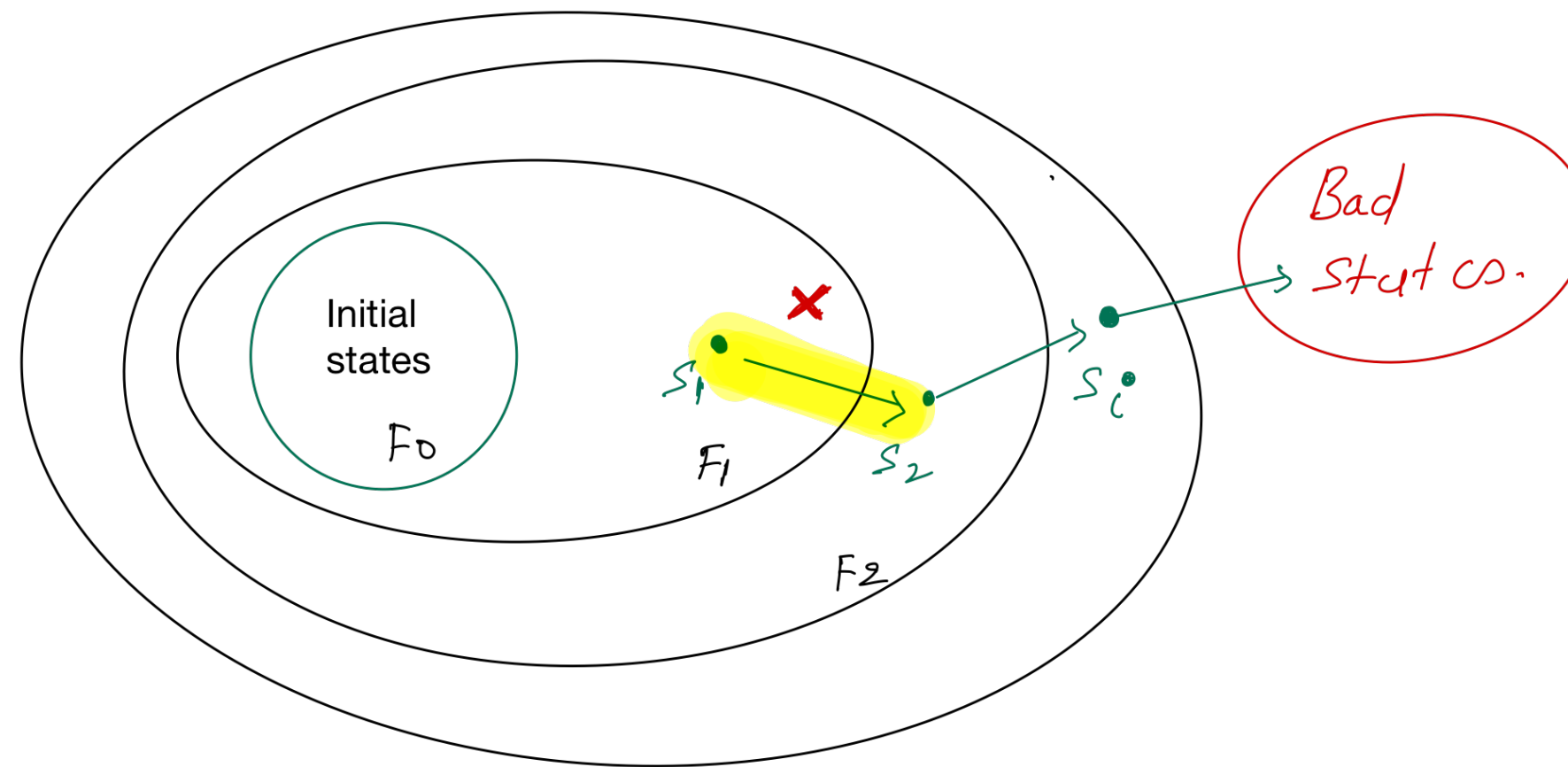
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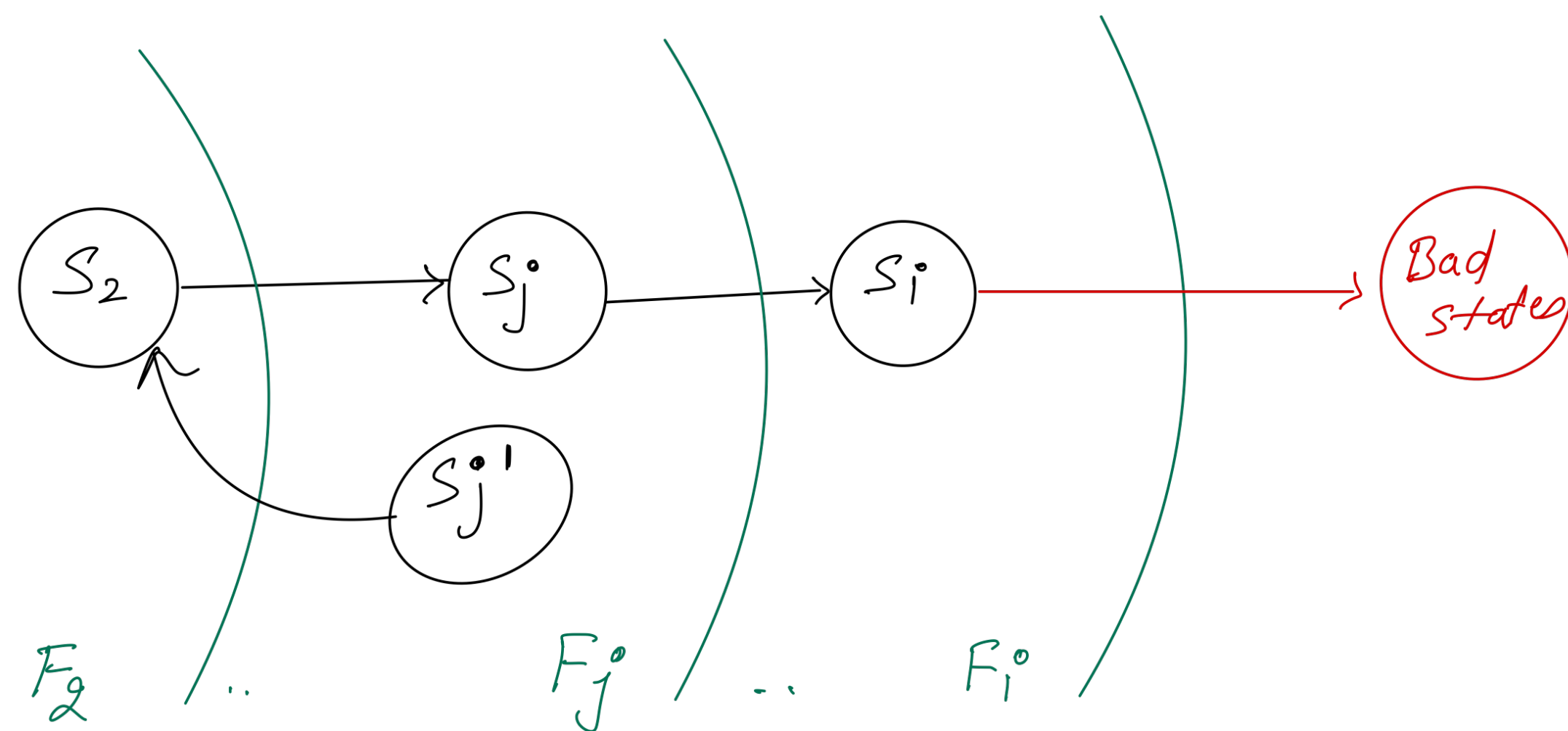


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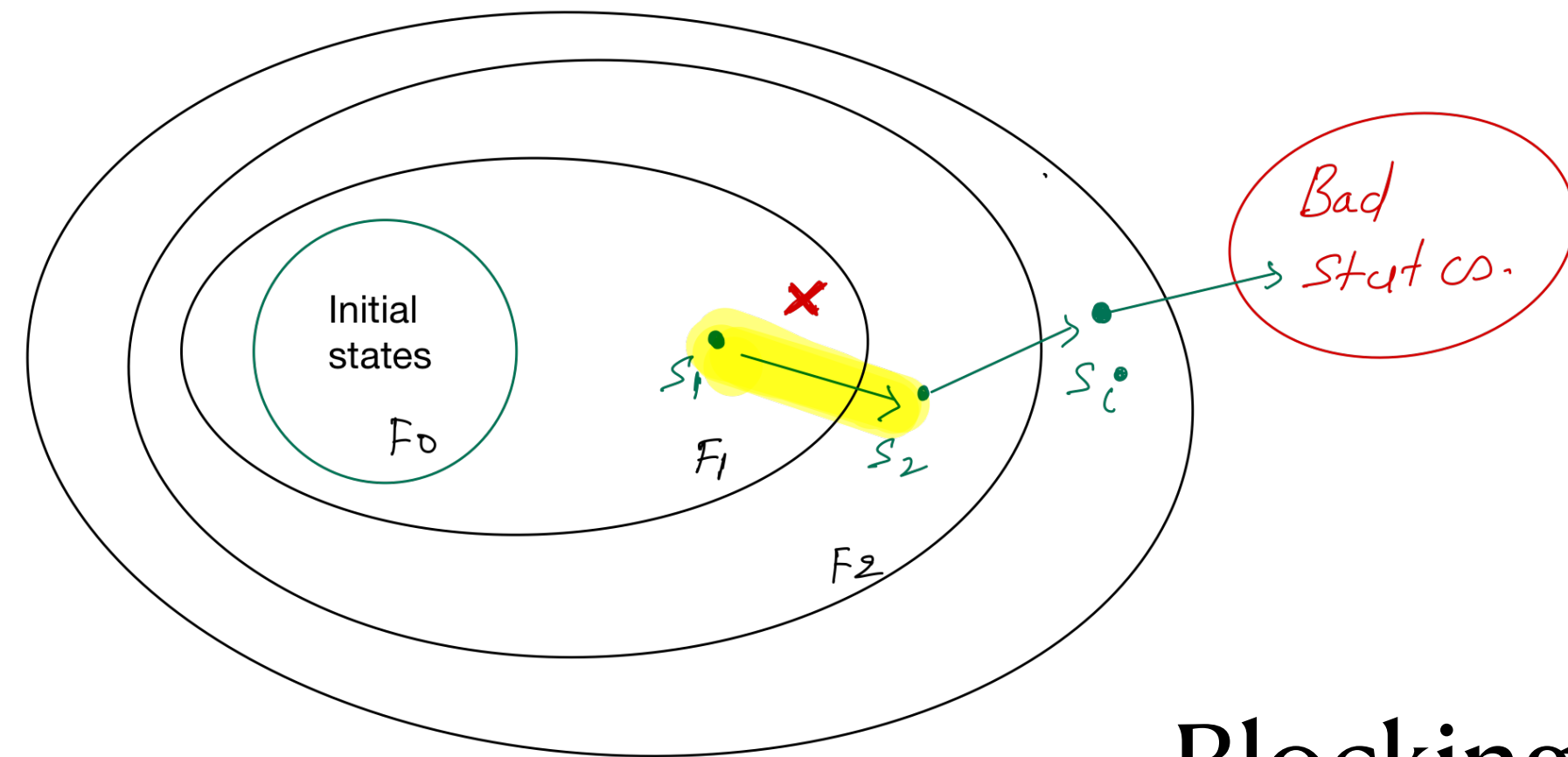


<- what about this case?

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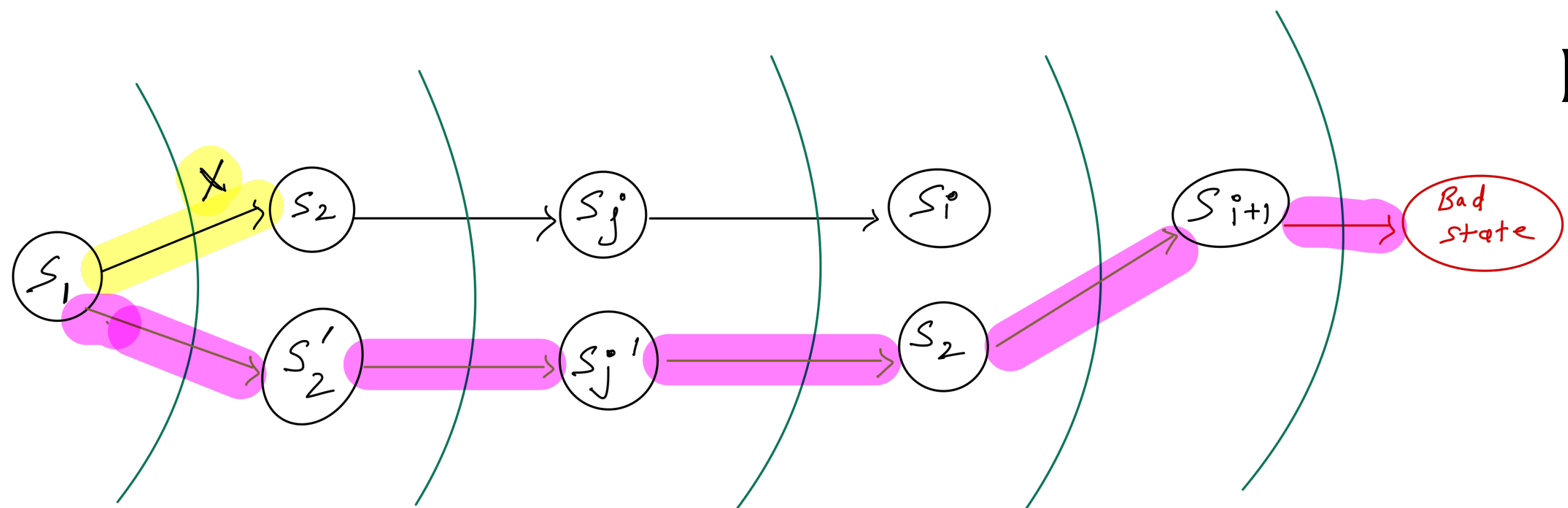
$s_2 \in F_i$ Then, we can't block it from F_i !!!

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Blocking clause for S_2 is c .



For $j \in [2, K]$

If $F_j \wedge T \rightarrow \neg c$, i.e. $SAT\{F_j \wedge T \wedge c\}$

Then Stop

Else

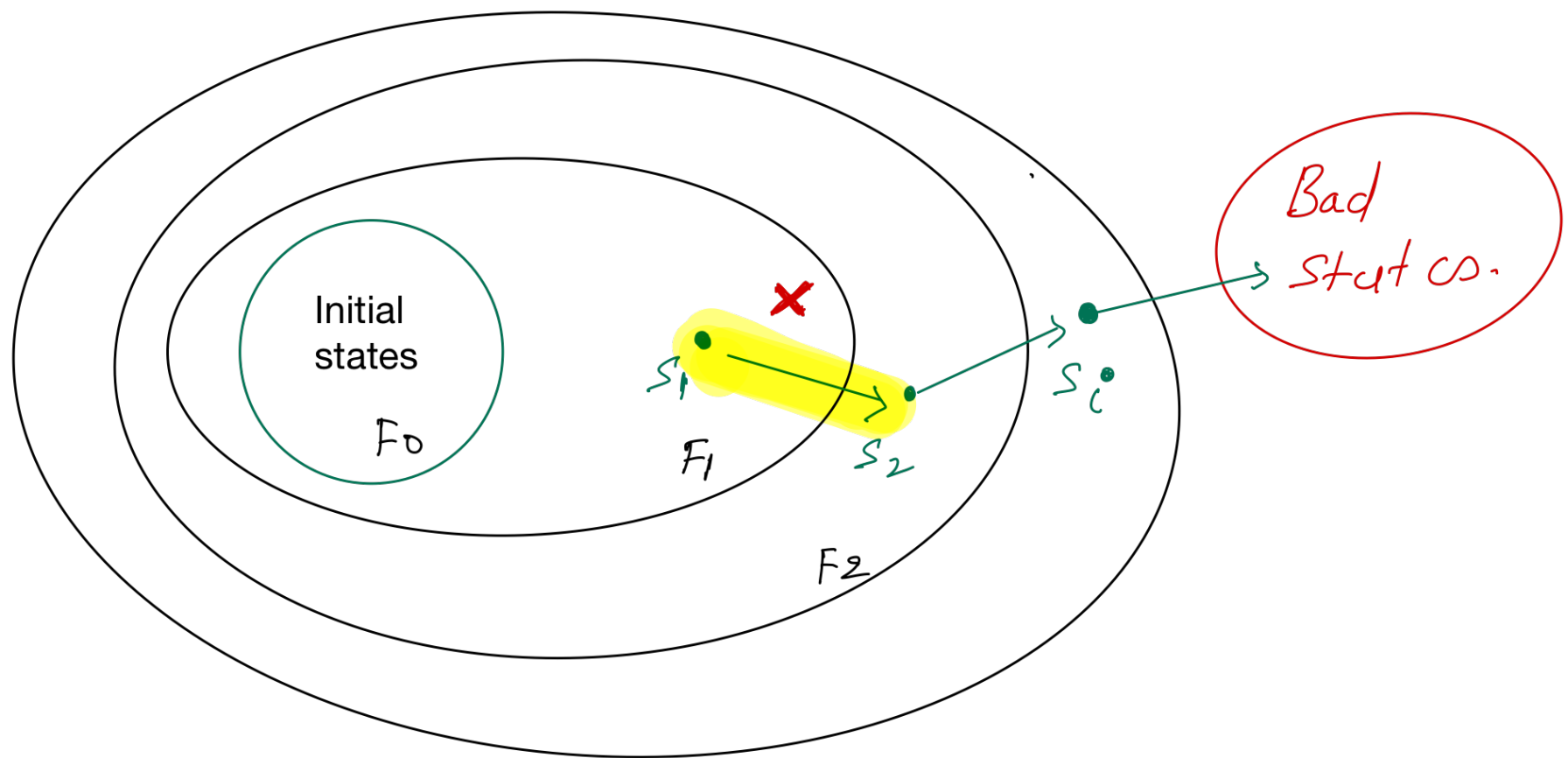
$$F_j \leftarrow F_j \wedge \neg c$$

Longer Cex may be there!!

Block S_2 from F_j

But, can't block S_2 from F_i

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PushForward (F, K, i) {

For $j \in [i, K]$

For every clause c in F_i

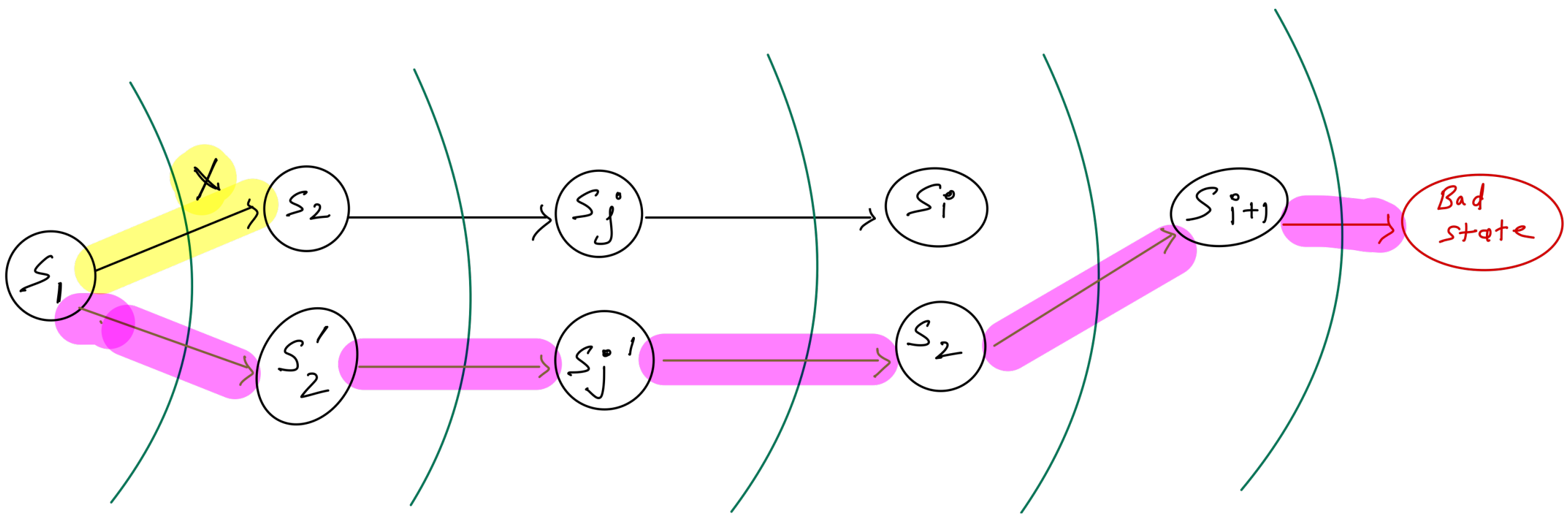
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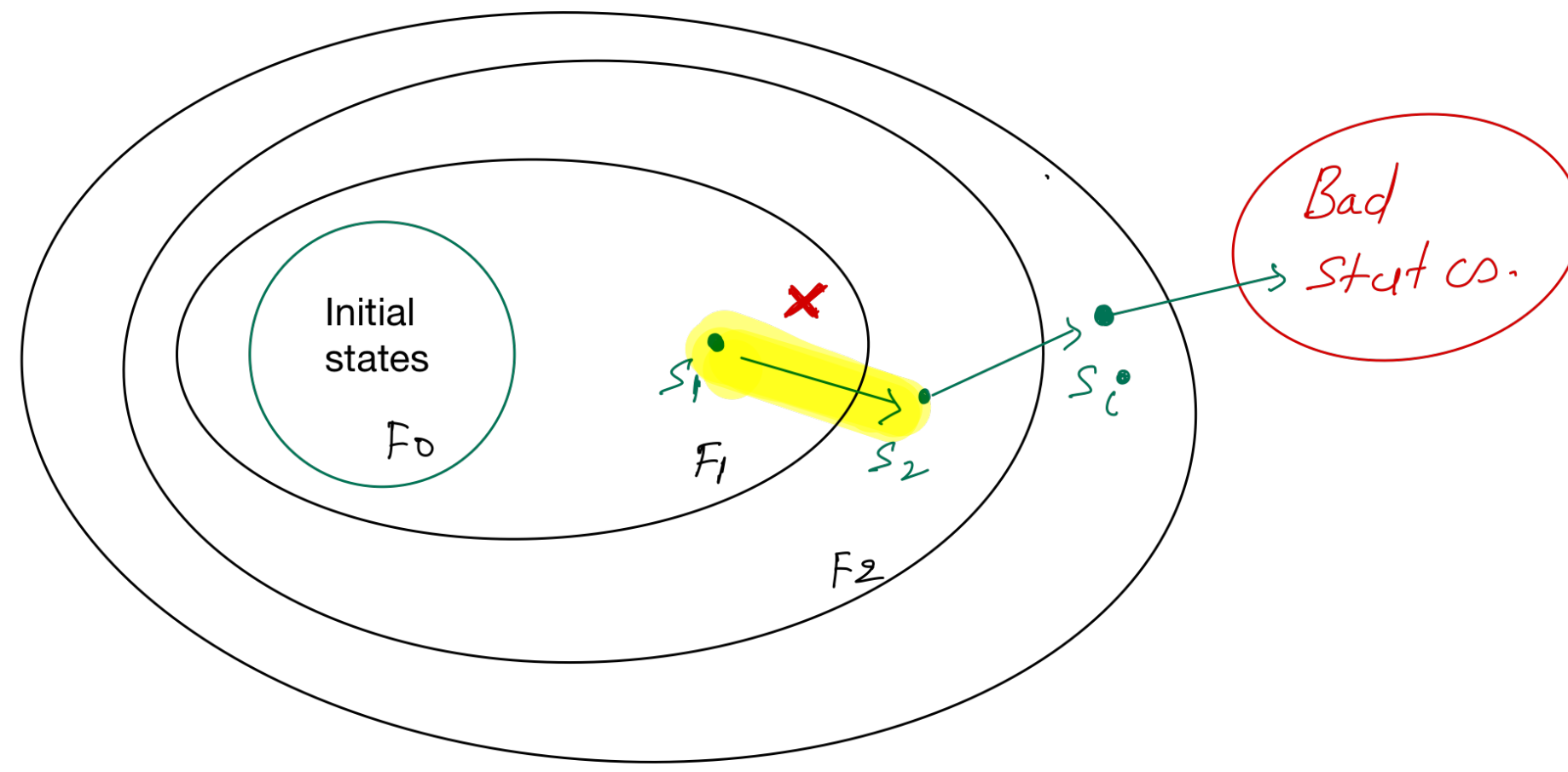


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Block Clause: c

Now, we have updated $F_2 = F_2^{old} \wedge c$!

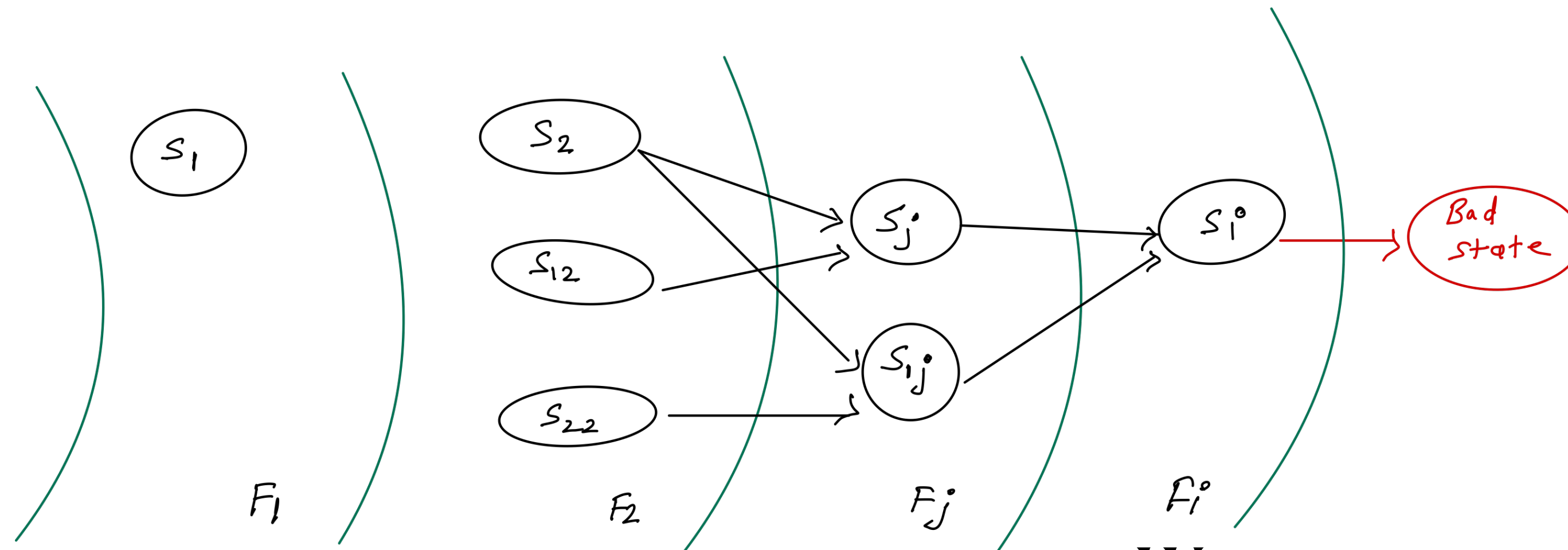
Is still the case $F_1 \subseteq F_2$

Yes, because s_2 was anyway not reachable from F_1 , that is, $s_2 \notin F_1$!!

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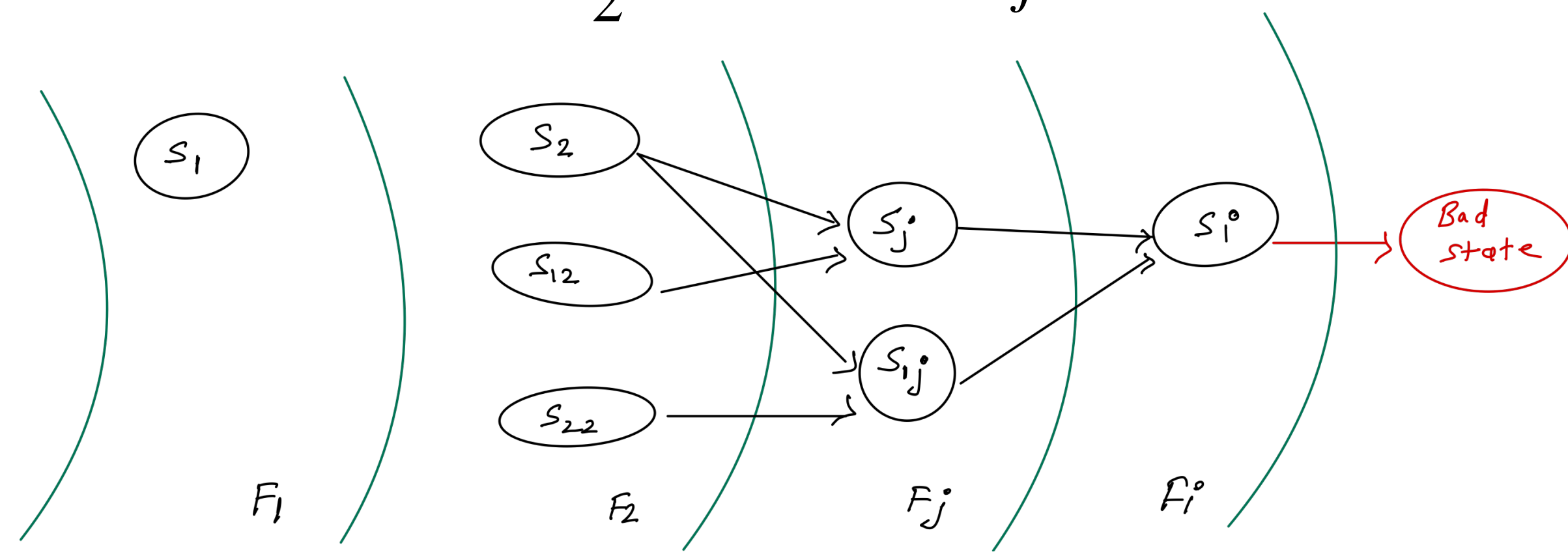
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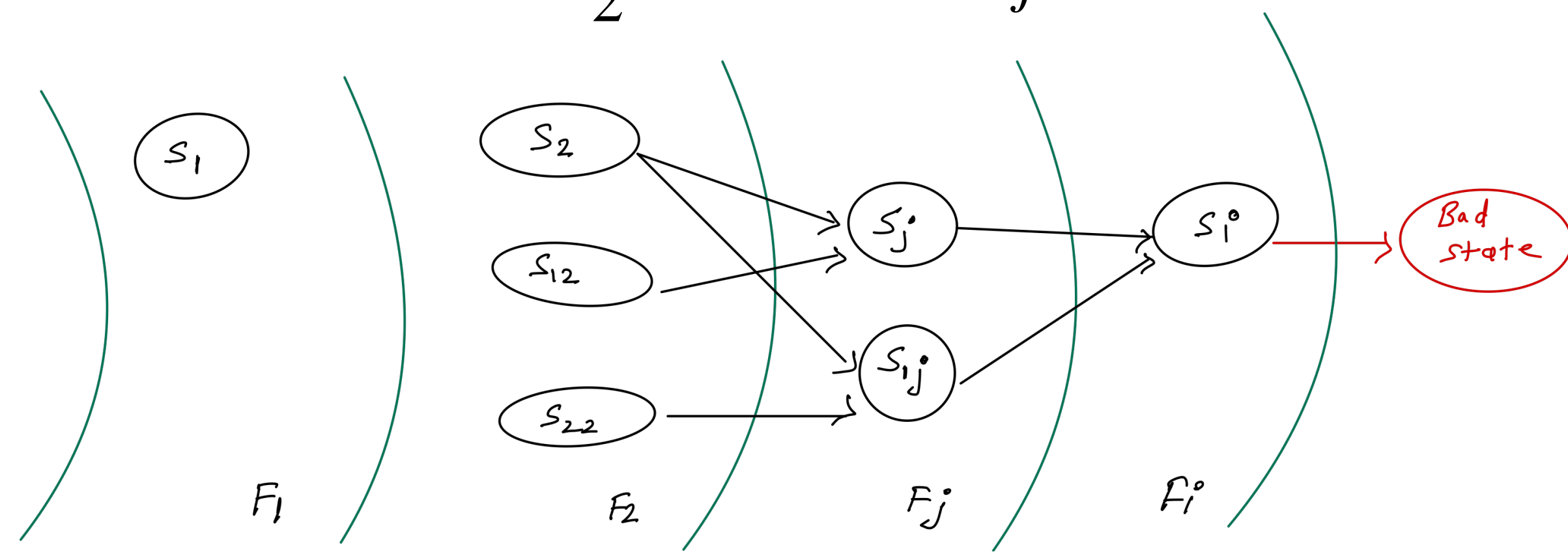
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BackwordPropogration(F,T,s,i)
{
  While CheckSAT{ $F_i \wedge T \wedge s$ } do:
     $s_i \leftarrow$  predecessor of  $s$  extracted
    from satisfying assigned
    For  $j \in [0,i]$ 
       $F_j \leftarrow F_j \wedge \neg s_i$ 
      BackwordPropogration(F, T, $s_i,i - 1$ )
}
  
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If $i == 0$:

found CEX

Return

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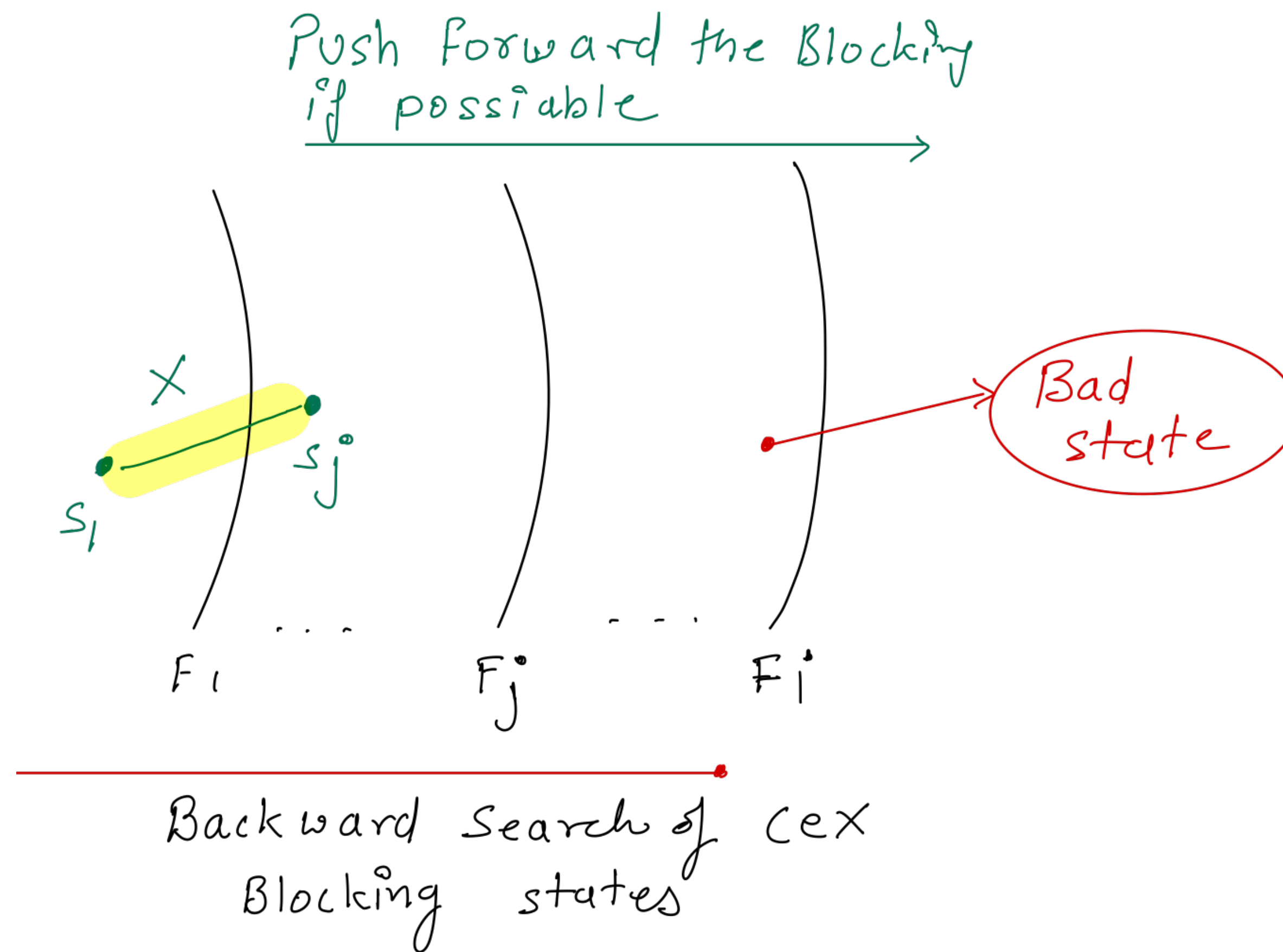
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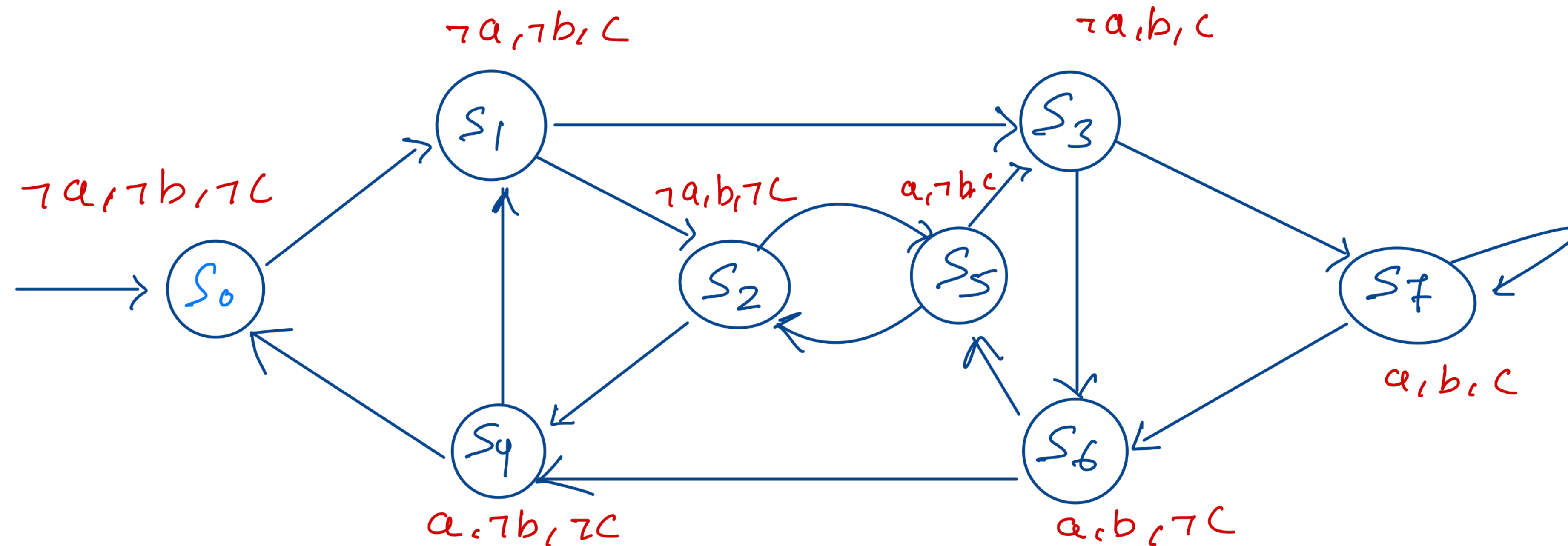
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$$T(a, b, c, a', b', c') = (a' \leftrightarrow b) \wedge (b' \leftrightarrow c)$$

$$\forall \Box \neg a \vee \neg b \vee \neg c$$