Trace Analysis for Predicting the Effectiveness of Partial Evaluation

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Goal: analyze/predict the effects of **partial evaluation** of logic programs

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- compare the original and the specialized programs

source program

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inter([X,Y|T],R) :- add(X,Y,Z),inter([Z|T],R).
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[Mohri and Nederhof, Regular Approximation of CFGs through Transformation]

source program

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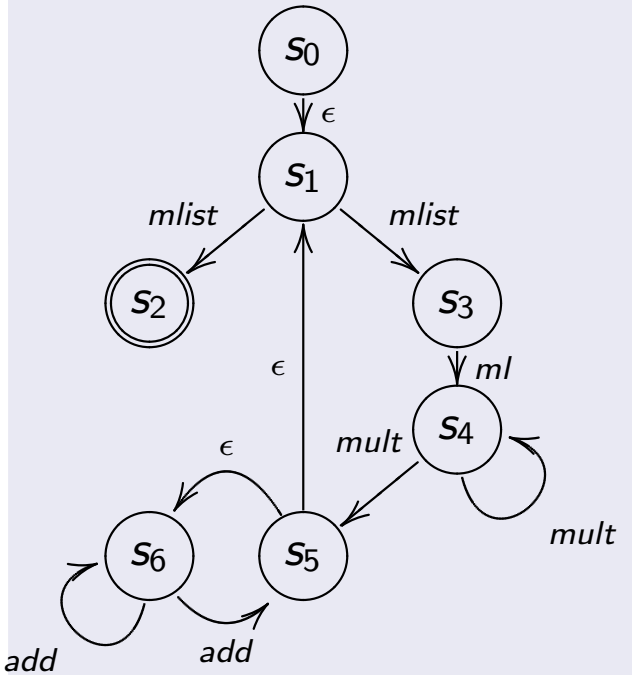

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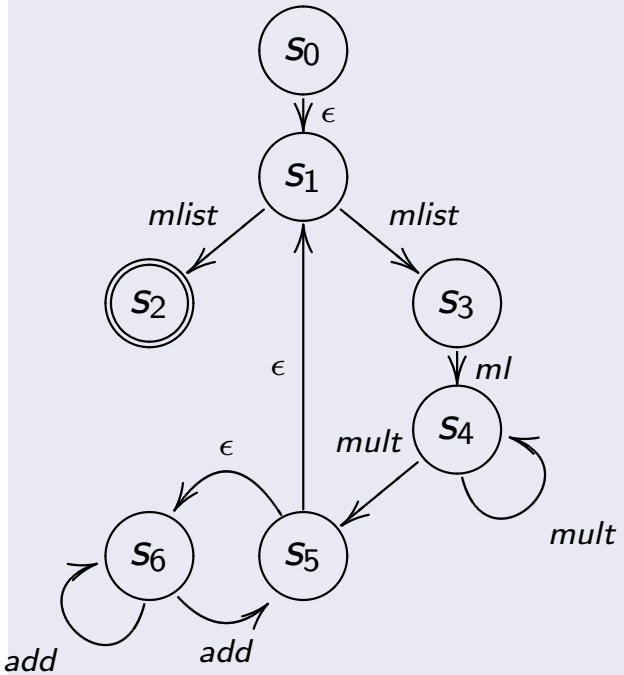

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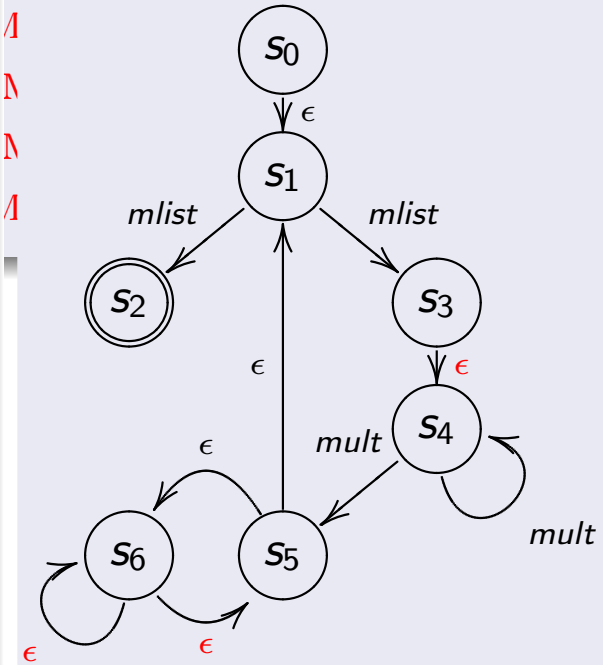

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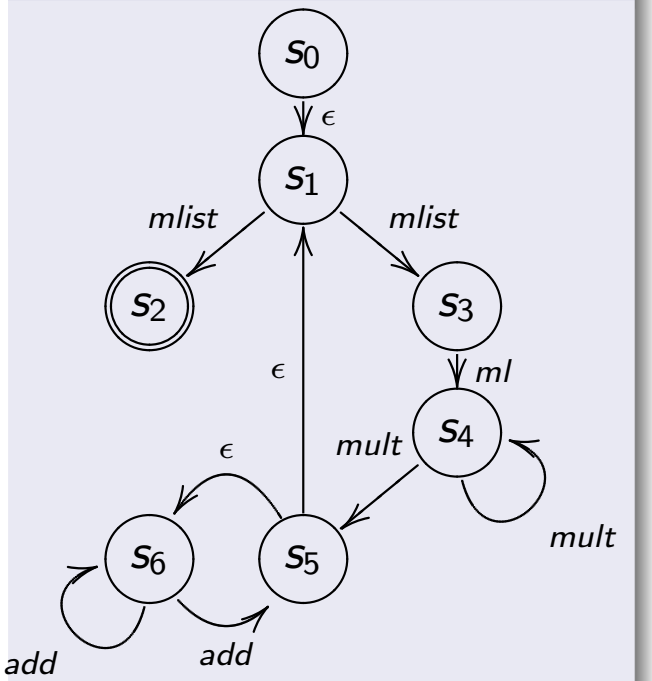

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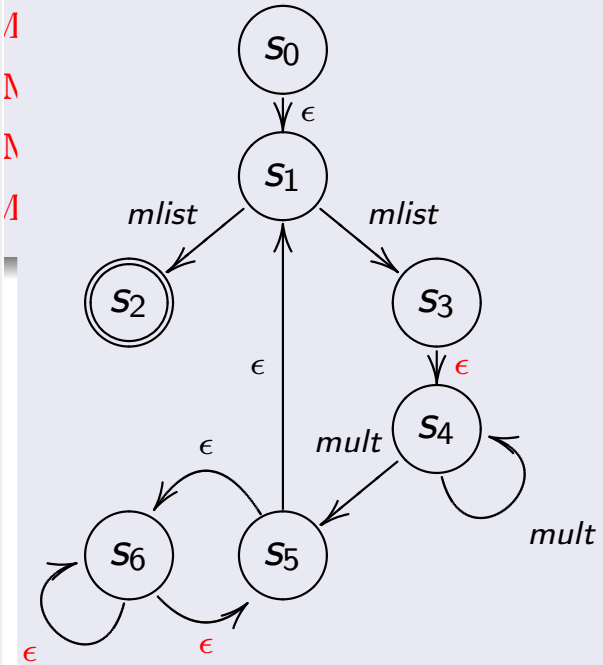

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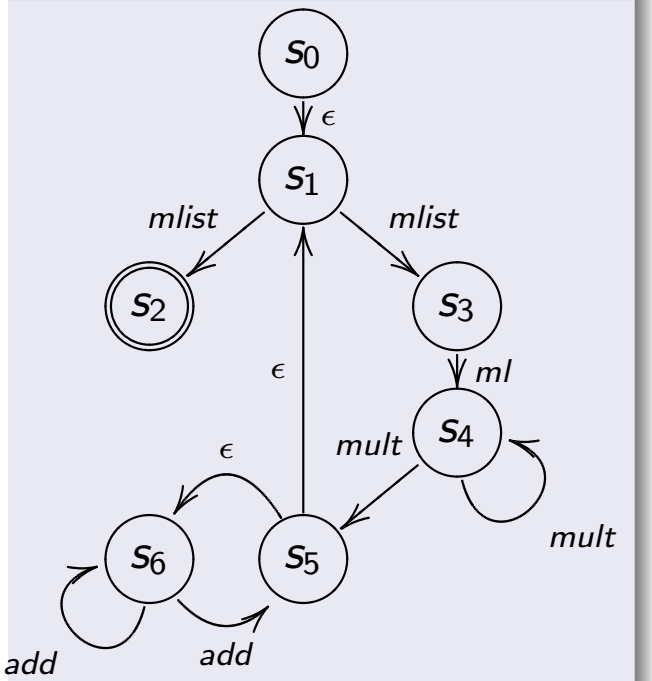

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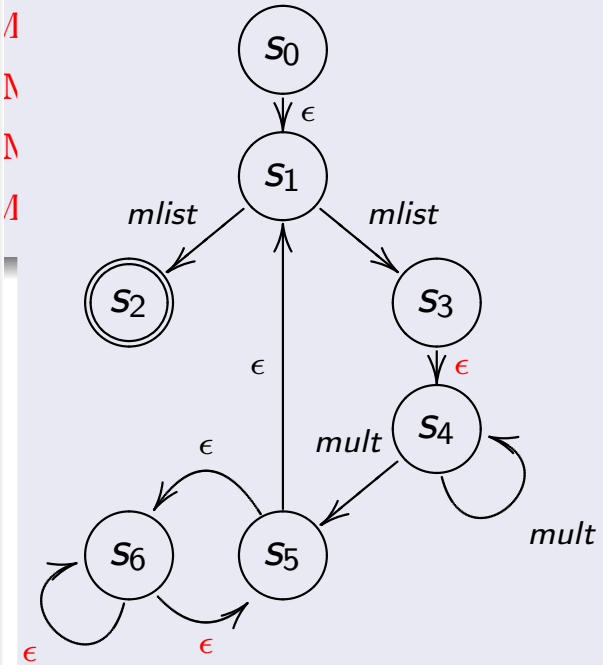

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