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# **State-Based Supervisory Control**

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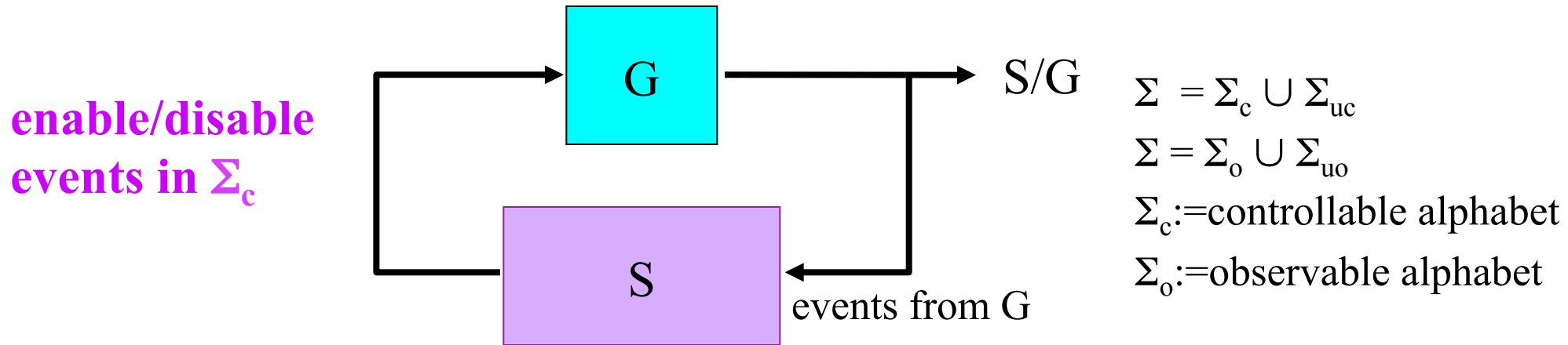
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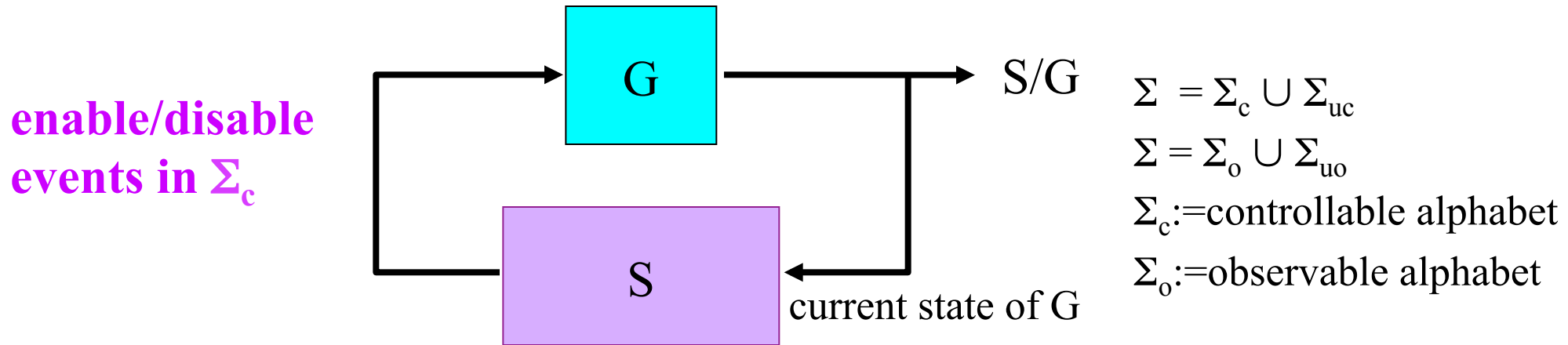
# The Main Challenge in Event-Based Feedback



- Control map  $V : L(G) \rightarrow \Gamma = \{ \gamma \subseteq \Sigma \mid \Sigma_{uc} \subseteq \gamma \}$
- To encode  $V$ , the language  $L(S/G)$  needs to be stored.

**As a consequence, a huge amount of memory is needed !**

# If Switch to State-Based Feedback



- Control map  $f : X \rightarrow \Gamma = \{ \gamma \subseteq \Sigma \mid \Sigma_{uc} \subseteq \gamma \}$
- To encode  $f$ , only relevant states are needed.

**We probably can't save synthesis time, but we can save memory!**

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# The Concept of Predicates

- Let  $G = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, Q_m)$
- A *predicate*  $P$  over  $Q$  is a function  $P : Q \rightarrow \{0,1\}$
- Let  $Q_P := \{ q \in Q \mid P(q) = 1 \}$
- $q \models P \Leftrightarrow P(q) = 1 \Leftrightarrow q \in Q_P$
- Let  $\text{Pred}(Q)$  be the collection of all predicates on  $Q$

# Boolean Expressions over Predicates

- Given  $P$ , define  $\neg P$ , where  $(\neg P)(q) = 1$  iff  $P(q) = 0$
- Given  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , define  $P_1 \wedge P_2$  and  $P_1 \vee P_2$ , where
  - $(P_1 \wedge P_2)(q) = 1$  iff  $P_1(q) = 1 \wedge P_2(q) = 1$
  - $(P_1 \vee P_2)(q) = 1$  iff  $P_1(q) = 1 \vee P_2(q) = 1$
- Recall the De Morgan rules
  - $\neg(P_1 \wedge P_2) = (\neg P_1) \vee (\neg P_2)$
  - $\neg(P_1 \vee P_2) = (\neg P_1) \wedge (\neg P_2)$

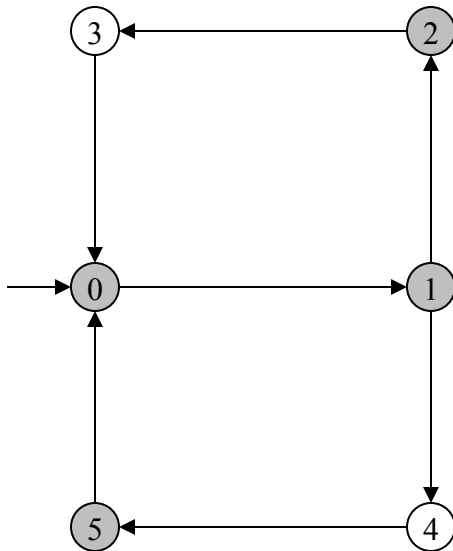
- For any  $P_1, P_2 \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ ,  $P_1 \sqsupseteq P_2$  iff  $P_1 \wedge P_2 = P_2$  iff  $\neg P_1 \vee P_2$
- $(\text{Pred}(Q), \sqsupseteq)$  is a complete lattice
- The top element of  $(\text{Pred}(Q), \sqsupseteq)$  is  $\top$ , where  $Q_{\top} = Q$ 
  - $\top$  can be interpreted as *true*
- The bottom element of  $(\text{Pred}(Q), \sqsupseteq)$  is  $\perp$ , where  $Q_{\perp} = \emptyset$ 
  - $\perp$  can be interpreted as *false*



# The Reachability Predicate $R(G,P)$

- Given  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , we define a new predicate  $R(G,P)$  as follows
  - $q_0 \models P \Rightarrow q_0 \models R(G,P)$
  - $q \models R(G,P) \wedge \sigma \in \Sigma \wedge \delta(q,\sigma) \neq \emptyset \wedge \delta(q,\sigma) \models P \Rightarrow \delta(q,\sigma) \models R(G,P)$
  - No other states satisfy  $R(G,P)$
- $R(G,P)$  is the set of all states reachable from  $q_0$  and satisfy  $P$
- Clearly,  $R(G,P) \models P$

# Example

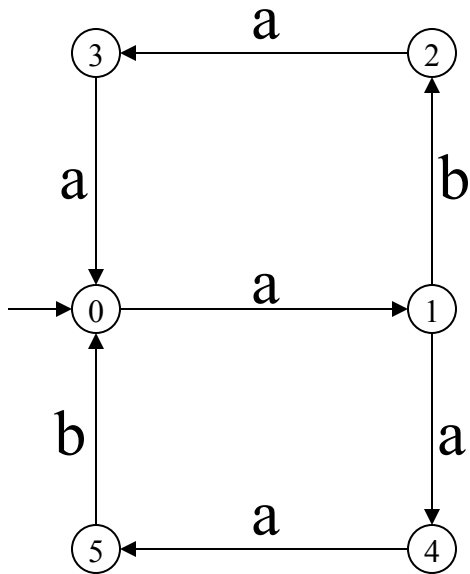


- $Q_P = \{0, 1, 2, 5\}$
- $Q_{R(G,P)} = \{0, 1, 2\}$
- $Q_{R(G,P)} \subseteq Q_P$  because  
 $R(G,P) \boxed{?} P$

# The Weakest Liberal Precondition $M_\sigma(P)$

- For any  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  and  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , let  $M_\sigma(P)$  be a predicate such that

$$q \boxed{?} M_\sigma(P) \text{ iff } \neg \delta(q, \sigma) \vee \delta(q, \sigma) \boxed{?} P$$

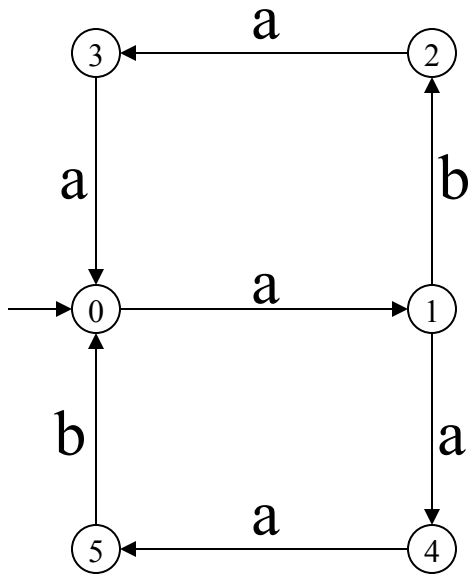


- $Q_P = \{2, 3, 5\}$
- $Q_{M_a(P)} = \{2, 4, 5\}$  (why?)

# The Strongest Postcondition $N_\sigma(P)$

- For any  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  and  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , let  $N_\sigma(P)$  be a predicate such that

$$q \boxed{?} N_\sigma(P) \text{ iff } (\exists q' \in Q) \delta(q', \sigma) = q \wedge q' \boxed{?} P$$



- $Q_P = \{0, 1, 2, 4\}$
- $Q_{N_a(P)} = \{1, 3, 4, 5\}$  (why?)

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# State Feedback

- Let  $f : Q \rightarrow \Gamma = \{ \gamma \subseteq \Sigma \mid \Sigma_{uc} \subseteq \gamma \}$  be a state feedback control (SFBC)
  - We say  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  is *enabled* at  $q$ , if  $\sigma \in f(q)$ , and is *disabled* otherwise
- For each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ , introduce a predicate  $f_\sigma \in \text{Pred}(Q)$  such that

$$f_\sigma(q) = 1 \text{ iff } \sigma \in f(q)$$

- The closed-loop transition map induced by  $f$  is defined as

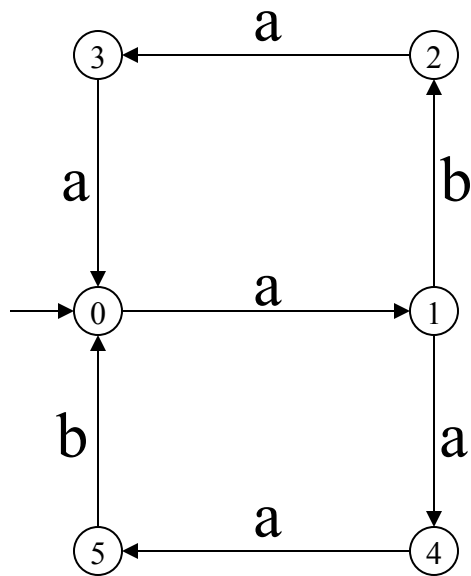
$$\delta^f(q, \sigma) = q' \text{ iff } \delta(q, \sigma) = q' \wedge f_\sigma(q) = 1$$

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- Write  $G^f = (Q, \Sigma, \delta^f, q_0, Q_m)$  for the closed-loop system by  $(G, f)$
  - Clearly, for any  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , we have  $R(G^f, P) \boxed{?} R(G, P)$

# The Concept of Controllability

- $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$  is *controllable* with respect to  $G$ , if

$$P \sqsubseteq R(G, P) \wedge (\forall \sigma \in \Sigma_{uc}) P \sqsubseteq M_{\sigma}(P)$$



- $\Sigma_c = \{a\}$
- $Q_P = \{0, 1, 4, 5\}$
- Is  $P$  controllable? Why?



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- **Theorem 1**

Let  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$  and  $P \neq \text{false}$ . Then  $P$  is controllable with respect to  $G$  if and only if there exists a SFBC  $f$  such that  $R(G^f, \text{true}) = P$ .

# The Supremal Controllable Predicate

- For each  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , let

$$CP(P) := \{K \in \text{Pred}(Q) \mid K \boxed{?} P \wedge K \text{ is controllable}\}$$

- Since  $\text{false} \in CP(P)$ , we know that  $CP(P) \neq \emptyset$ .

- **Proposition 1**

- $CP(P)$  is closed under arbitrary disjunctions.
- In particular, the supremal controllable predicate  $\sup CP(P)$  exists in  $CP(P)$ .

# Compute The Supremal Controllable Predicate

- Given  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , define a new predicate  $\langle P \rangle$  as follows:

$$q \boxed{?} \langle P \rangle \text{ iff } (\forall w \in \Sigma_{uc}^*) \delta(q, w)! \Rightarrow \delta(q, w) \boxed{?} P$$

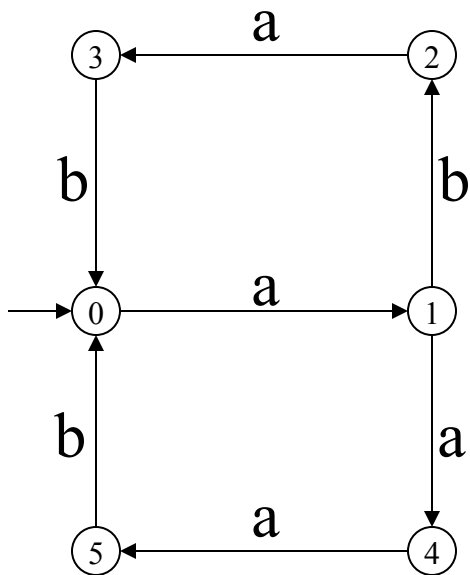
- Proposition 2**

$$\text{sup}C\mathcal{P}(P) = R(G, \langle P \rangle)$$

- Corollary 1**

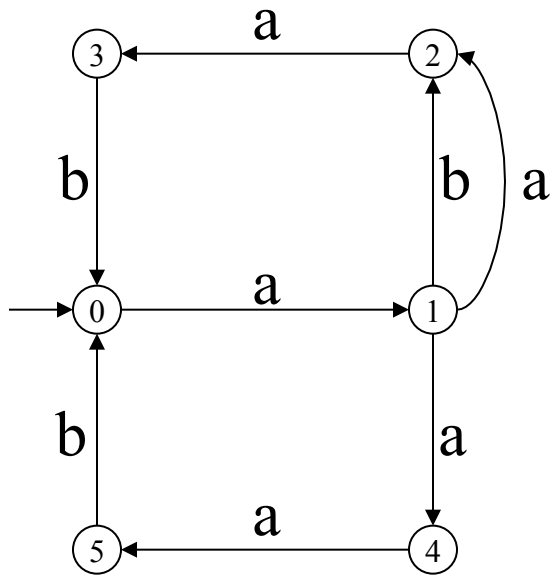
$$\text{sup}C\mathcal{P}(P) \neq \text{false} \text{ iff } R(G, \langle P \rangle) \neq \text{false} \text{ iff } q_0 \boxed{?} \langle P \rangle$$

# Example



- $\Sigma_c = \{a\}$
- $Q_P = \{0, 1, 4, 5\}$
- P is not controllable. (Why?)
- $Q_{\langle P \rangle} = \{0, 4, 5\}$
- $Q_{R(G, \langle P \rangle)} = \{0\}$

# Improving Permissiveness in SFBC



- $\Sigma_c = \{a\}$
- $Q_P = \{0, 1, 2, 4\}$
- $Q_{R(G, \langle P \rangle)} = \{0, 1, 2, 4\}$
- $f_1|_{Q-\{1\}} = f_2|_{Q-\{1\}}$
- $f_1(1) = \{b\}$  and  $f_2(1) = \{a, b\}$
- $R(G^{f_1}, true) = R(G^{f_2}, true) = \langle P \rangle$

We call that  $f_2$  is *balanced*.

# Formally Speaking

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- An SFBC  $f : Q \rightarrow \Gamma$  is *balanced*, if

$$(\forall q, q' \in Q)(\forall \sigma \in \Sigma) q, q' \boxed{?} R(G^f, true) \wedge \delta(q, \sigma) = q' \Rightarrow f_\sigma(q) = 1$$

# Modular SFBC

- Suppose we have a collection of predicates  $\{P_i | i \in I = \{1, \dots, n\}\}$ 
  - Each  $P_i$  can be interpreted as a local requirement
- Let  $P := \bigwedge_{i \in I} P_i$
- For each  $i \in I$ , let  $f_i : Q \rightarrow \Gamma$  be an optimal SFBC for  $P_i$ , namely

$$R(G^{f_i}, \text{true}) = \sup \mathcal{CP}(P_i)$$

- Let  $f : Q \rightarrow \Gamma$  such that  $f(q) := \bigcap_{i \in I} f_i(q)$ 
  - Or symbolically, for each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ ,  $f_\sigma := \bigwedge_{i \in I} f_{i,\sigma}$

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- **Theorem 2**

Assume that, for each  $i \in I$ ,  $f_i$  is balanced. Then  $f$  is balanced and

$$R(G^f, true) = \sup CP(P)$$



# Dynamic State Feedback Control

- Given  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q)$ , let

$$L(G,P) := \{s \in \Sigma^* \mid \delta(q_0,s) \neq \emptyset \wedge (\forall s' \sqsubseteq s) \delta(q_0,s') \neq \emptyset \wedge P\}$$

- Let  $E$  be a requirement, and  $H$  a memory, whose state set is  $Y$ .
- Let  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q \times Y)$ . We call  $(E,P)$  is *compatible* with  $G \times H$ , if

$$L(G \times H, P) = L(E) \cap L(G) = L(G \times E)$$

# Dynamic State Feedback Control (cont.)

- Let  $C\mathcal{P}_{G \times H}(P)$  be the set of all controllable subpredicates (on  $Q \times Y$ ) of  $P$
- Let  $C_G(L(G \times E))$  be the set of all controllable sublanguages of  $L(G \times E)$
- **Theorem 3**

If  $(E, P)$  is compatible with  $G \times E$ , then

$$L(G \times H, \sup C\mathcal{P}_{G \times H}(P)) = \sup C_G(L(G \times E))$$

# Dynamic State Feedback Control (cont.)

- Let  $\{E_i \mid i \in I = \{1, \dots, n\}\}$  be a set of requirements and  $E = \bigcap_{i \in I} E_i$
- Let  $H_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) a memory for  $G$ , whose state set is  $Y_i$  and  $H = \bigcap_{i \in I} H_i$
- Let  $P_i \in \text{Pred}(Q \times Y_i)$  such that  $(E_i, P_i)$  is *compatible* with  $G \times H_i$
- Define  $P \in \text{Pred}(Q \times Y_1 \times \dots \times Y_n)$  such that

$$(q, y_1, \dots, y_n) \boxed{?} P \text{ iff } (q, y_i) \boxed{?} P_i \text{ for each } i \in I$$

# Dynamic State Feedback Control (cont.)

- Let  $f_i$  be a balanced SFBC for  $G \times H_i$  such that

$$L(G^{f_i}, true) = \sup C_G(L(G \times E_i))$$

- Define  $f : Q \times Y_1 \times \dots \times Y_n \rightarrow \Gamma$  such that

$$\sigma \in f(q, y_1, \dots, y_n) \text{ iff } \sigma \in \bigcap_{i \in I} f_i(q, y_i)$$

- **Theorem 4**

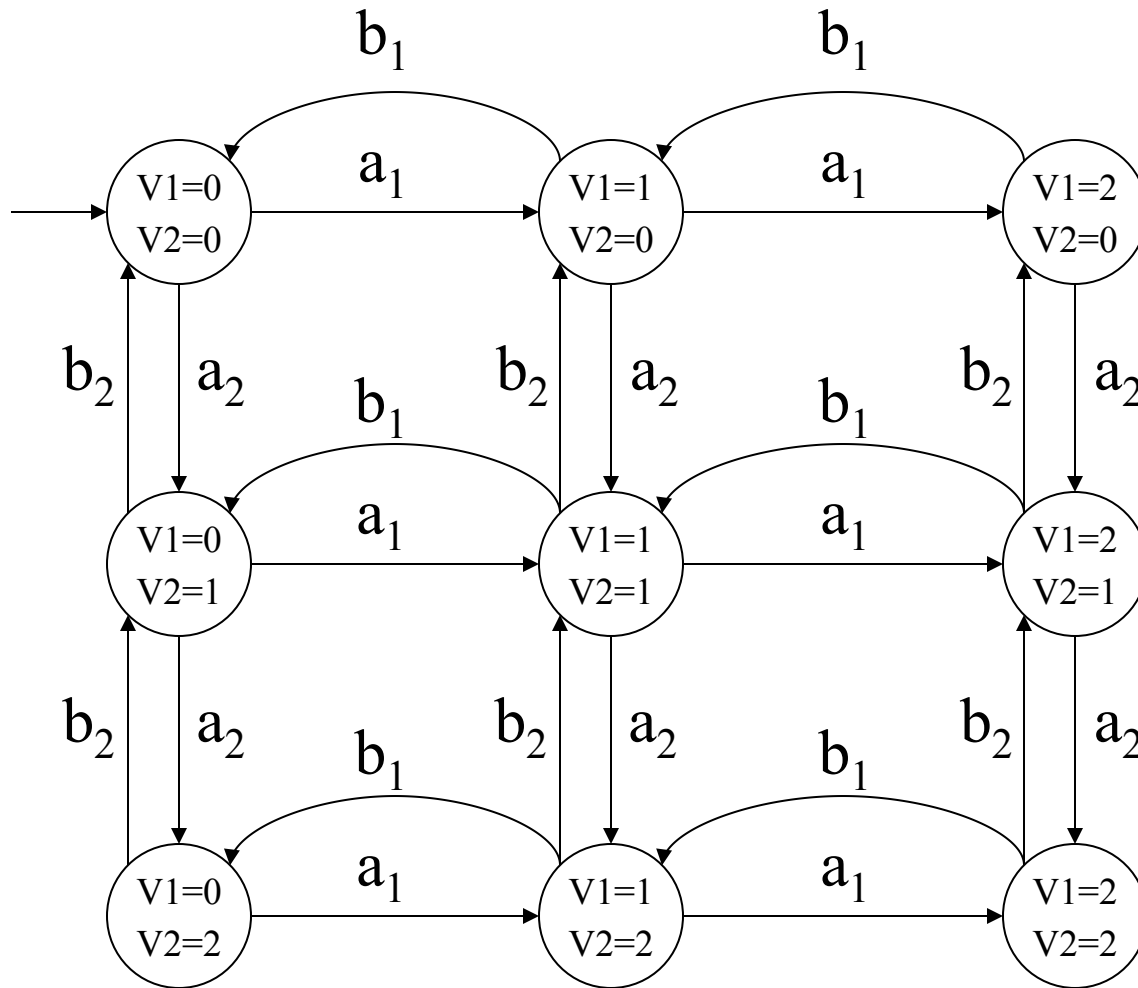
- $(E, P)$  is compatible with  $G \times H$
- $f$  is a balanced SFBC for  $G \times H$
- $L(G \times H, \sup C_{\mathcal{P}_{G \times H}}(P)) = \sup C_G(L(G \times E))$

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# A Plant Model



- $\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2\}$

- $\Sigma_c = \{a_1, a_2\}$

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# Requirements

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- Requirement 1

$P_1$  := the value of V1 should be no more than 1

- Requirement 2

$P_2$  := the value of V2 should be no more than 1

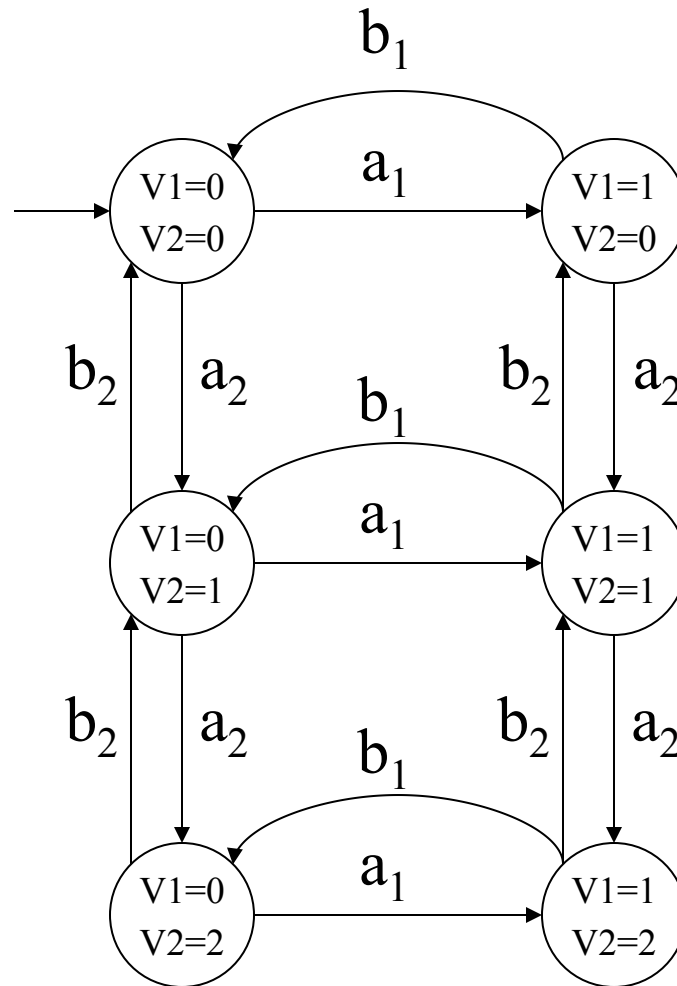
# State Feedback Control for Requirement 1

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- We can check that  $P_1$  is controllable with respect to  $G$  (why?)
- The corresponding state feedback control  $f_1 : Q \rightarrow \Gamma$  is:
  - $f_1(V1=1, V2=0) = f_1(V1=1, V2=1) = f_1(V1=1, V2=2) = \{a_2, b_1, b_2\}$
  - For the rest of states  $q$ , set  $f_1(q) = \Sigma$



# The Closed-loop System $G^{f1}$

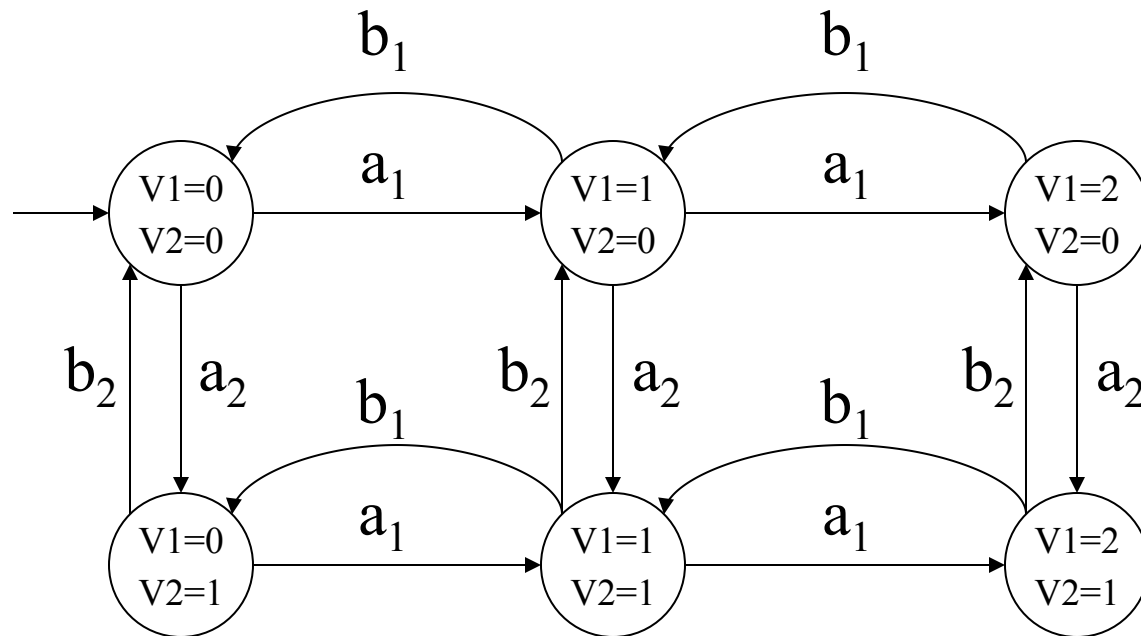


# State Feedback Control for Requirement 2

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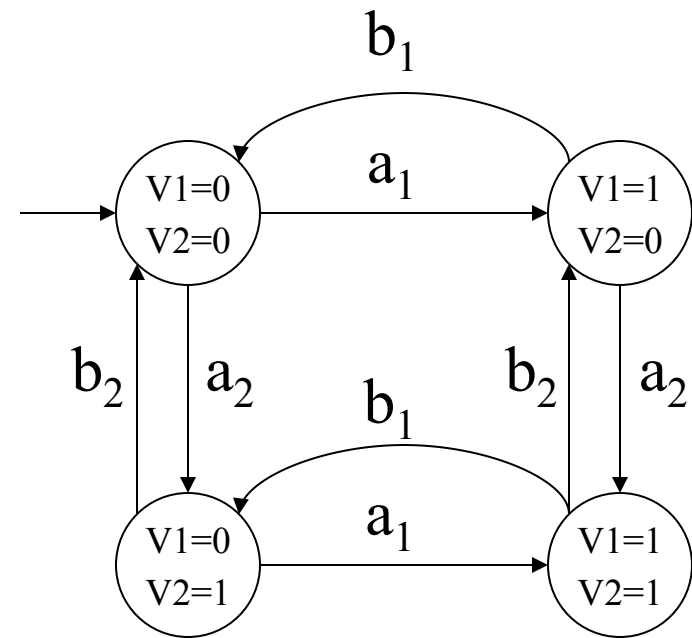
- We can check that  $P_2$  is controllable with respect to  $G$  (why?)
- The corresponding state feedback control  $f_2 : Q \rightarrow \Gamma$  is:
  - $f_2(V1=0, V2=1) = f_1(V1=1, V2=1) = f_1(V1=2, V2=1) = \{a_1, b_1, b_2\}$
  - For the rest of states  $q$ , set  $f_2(q) = \Sigma$

# The Closed-loop System $G^{f2}$



# The Closed-Loop System $G^{f_1 \wedge f_2}$

- Let  $f := f_1 \wedge f_2$  such that  $\sigma \in f(q)$  iff  $\sigma \in f_1(q) \cap f_2(q)$ 
  - $f(V1=1, V2=0) = \{a_2, b_1, b_2\}$
  - $f(V1=0, V2=1) = \{a_1, b_1, b_2\}$
  - $f(V1=1, V2=1) = \{b_1, b_2\}$



# Encode State Feedback Control Maps

- $f_{1,a_1}(q) = 0$  if  $V_1=1$ ; otherwise,  $f_{1,a_1}(q) = 1$
- $f_{1,a_2} = f_{1,b_1}(q) = f_{1,b_2}(q) = 1$
- $f_{2,a_2}(q) = 0$  if  $V_2=1$ ; otherwise,  $f_{2,a_2}(q) = 1$
- $f_{2,a_1} = f_{2,b_1}(q) = f_{2,b_2}(q) = 1$

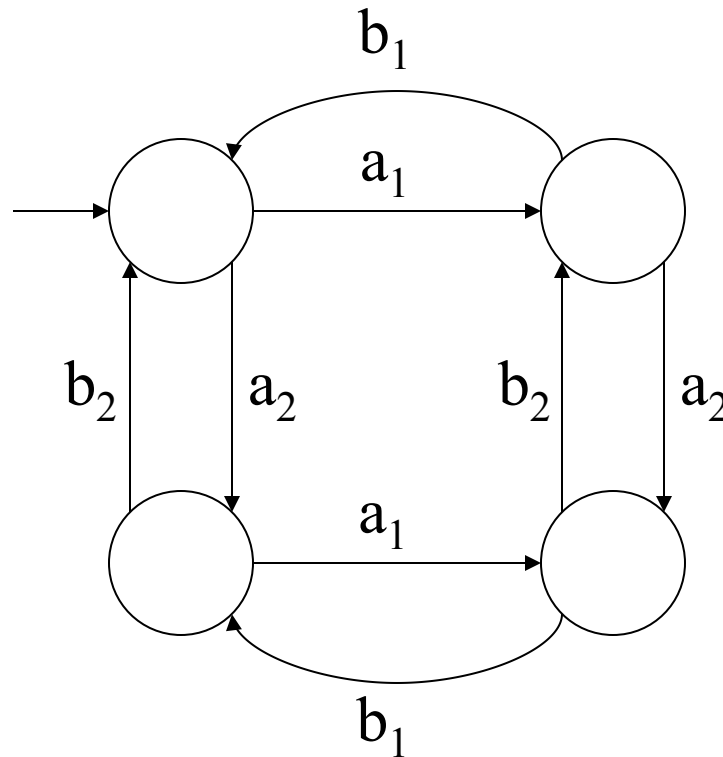
If in terms of event disablement, we have the following rules

$V_1 = 1 \Rightarrow a_1$  is disabled

$V_2 = 1 \Rightarrow a_2$  is disabled

# Compare with Event-Based Feedback Control

- To encode the event-based feedback control map  $f : L(G) \rightarrow \Gamma$



EBFC needs more memory than SFBC does

# Conclusions

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- Advantages of state feedback control
  - No memory for previous executions is required
  - The control map can be effectively encoded
- Disadvantage
  - It is applicable only when states are observable