

On the optimal reachability problem in weighted timed automata and games

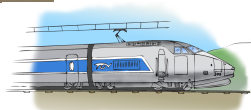
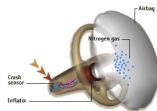
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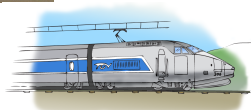
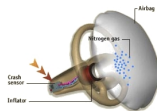
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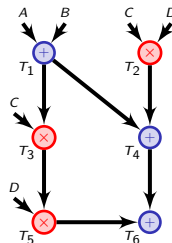
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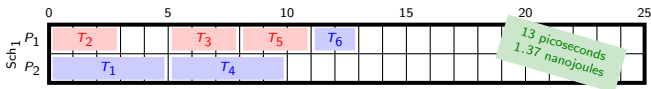
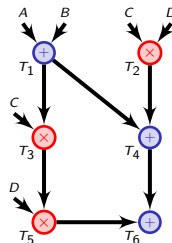
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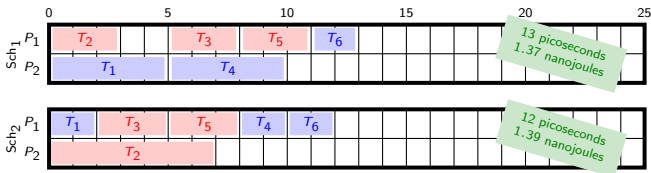
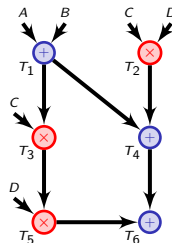
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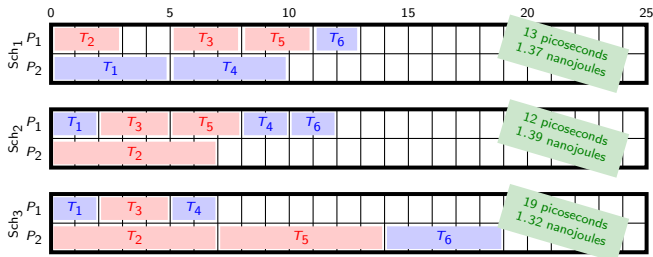
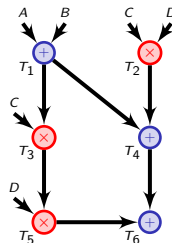
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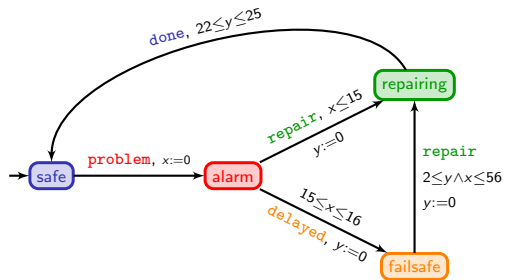


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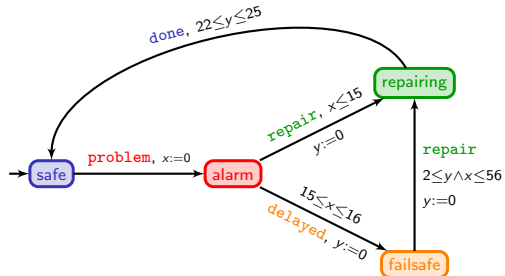
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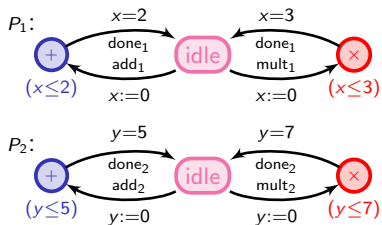


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y	0		23		23		38.6		0	
	failsafe	$\xrightarrow{2.3}$	failsafe	$\xrightarrow{\text{repair}}$	repairing	$\xrightarrow{22.1}$	repairing	$\xrightarrow{\text{done}}$	safe	
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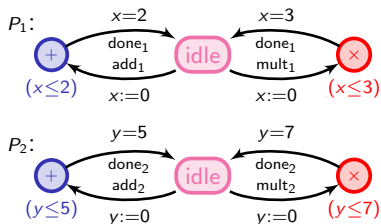
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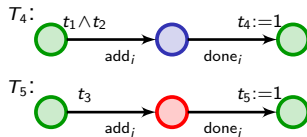


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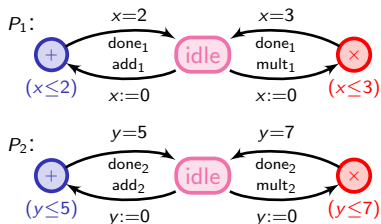


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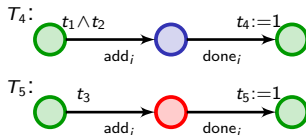


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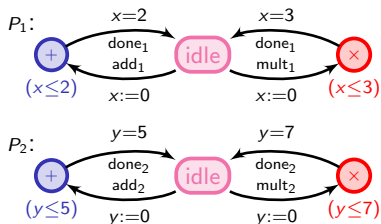


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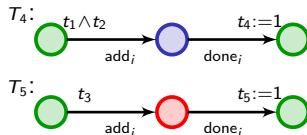
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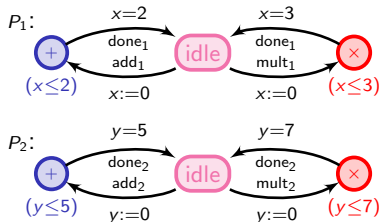
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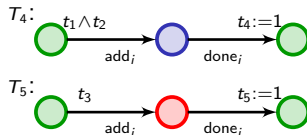
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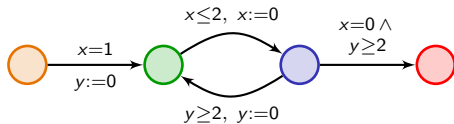
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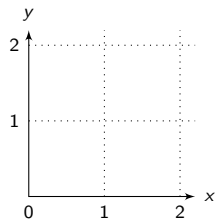
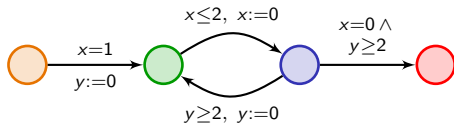
Questions one can ask

- Can the computation be made in no more than 10 time units?
- Is there a scheduling along which no processor is ever idle?
- ...

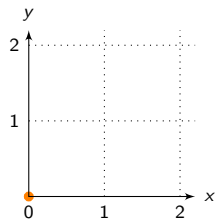
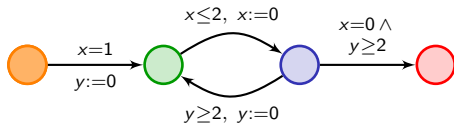
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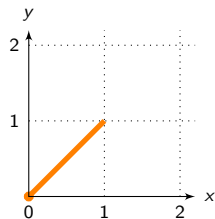
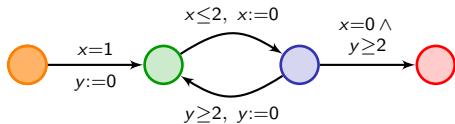
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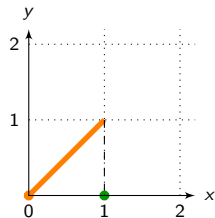
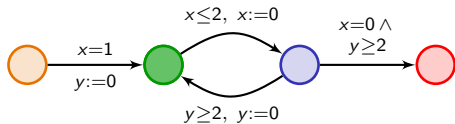
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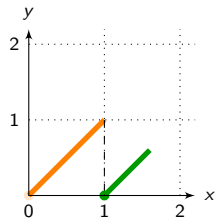
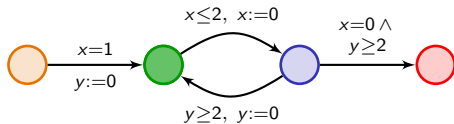
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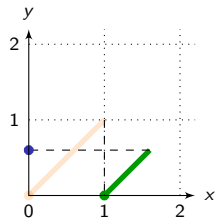
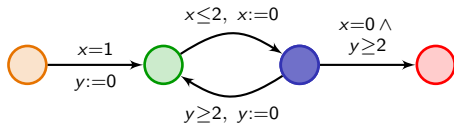
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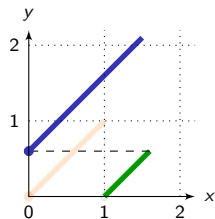
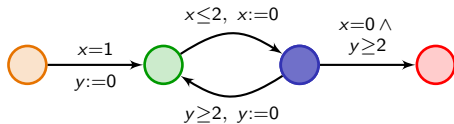
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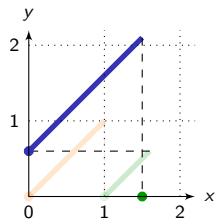
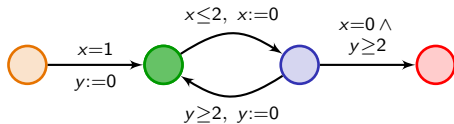
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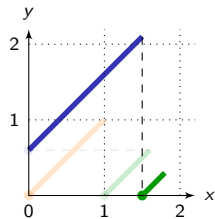
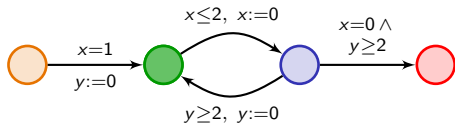
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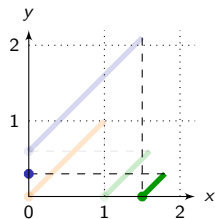
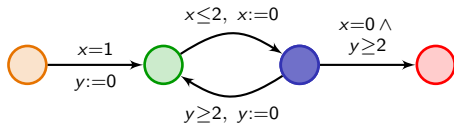
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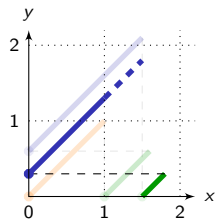
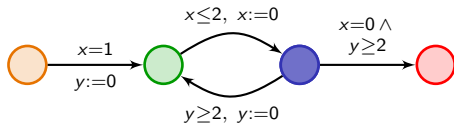
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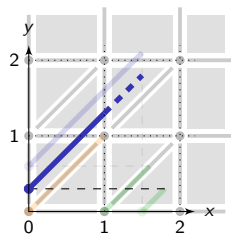
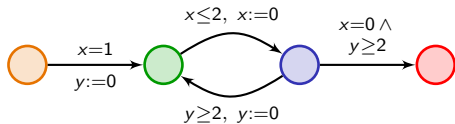
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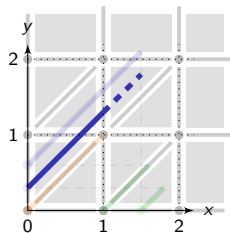
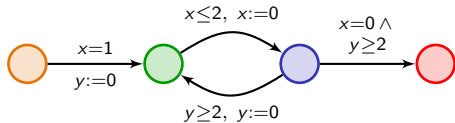
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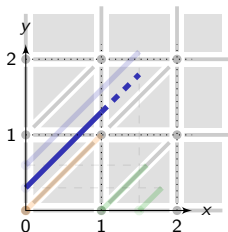
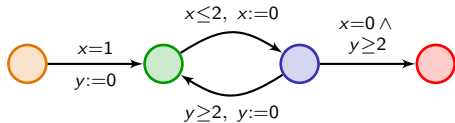


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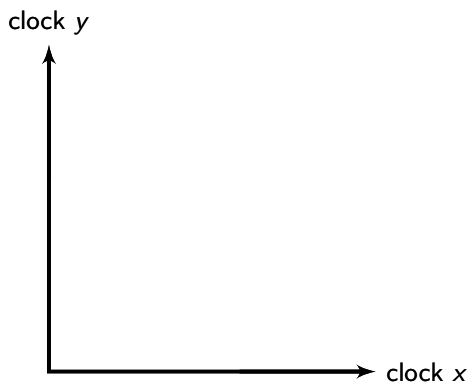


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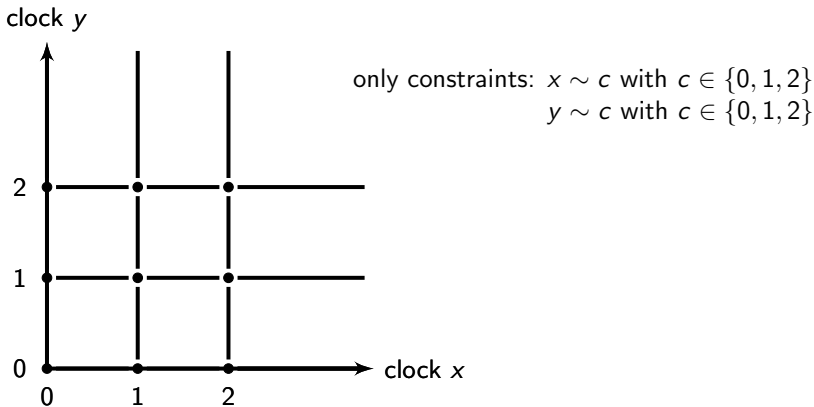
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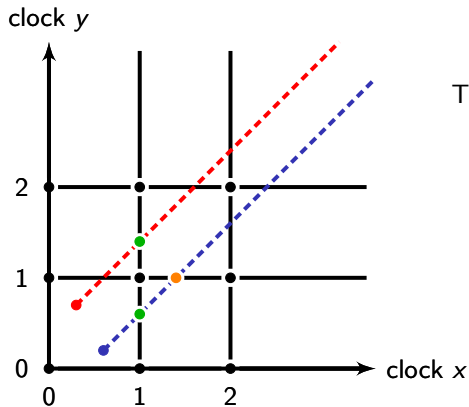


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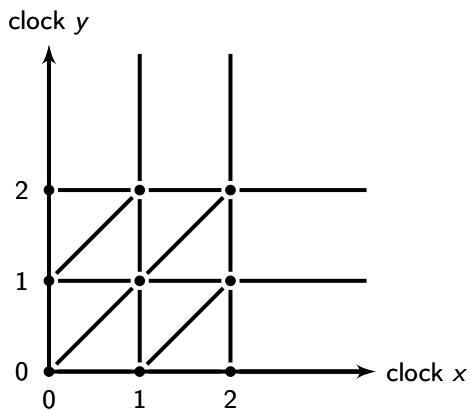


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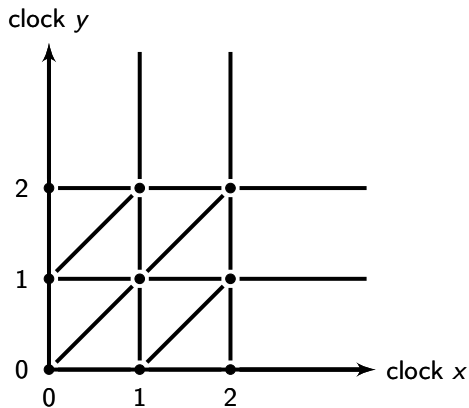
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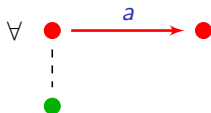
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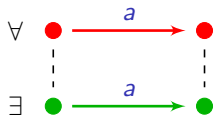
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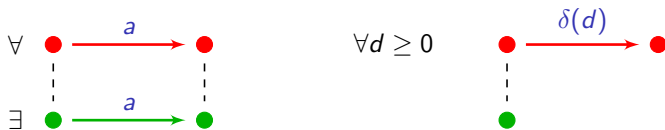
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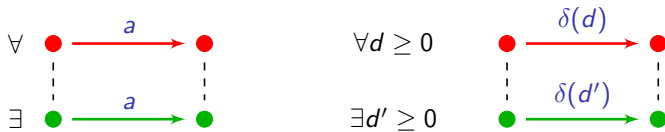
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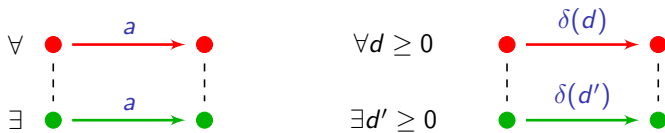
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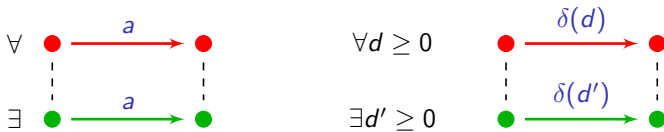
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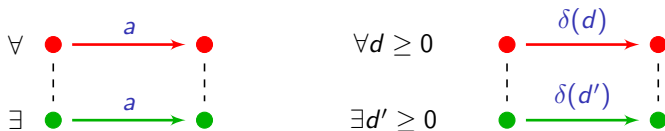
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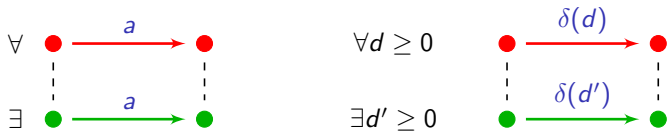
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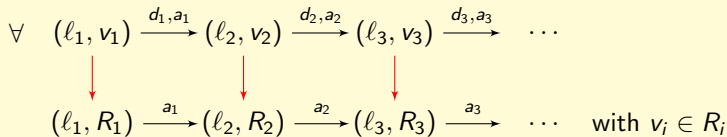
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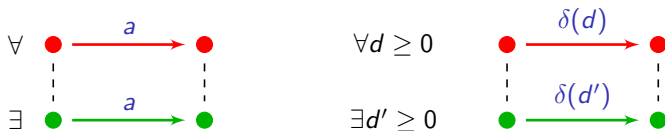
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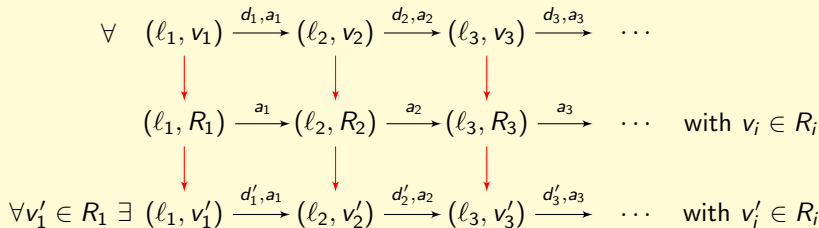
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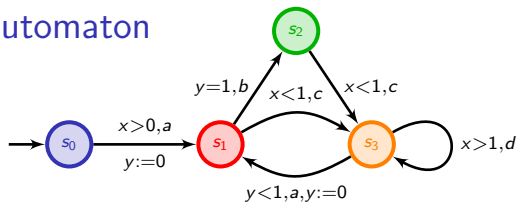


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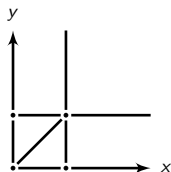
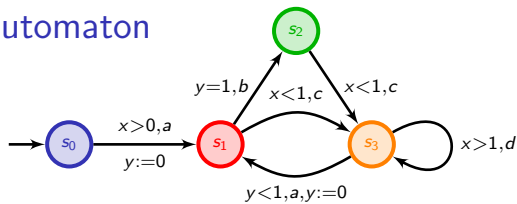
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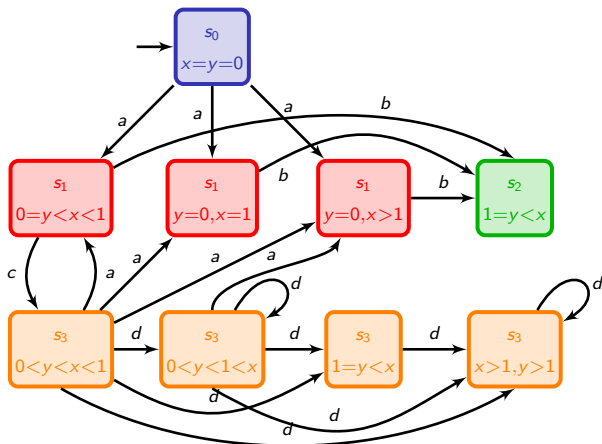
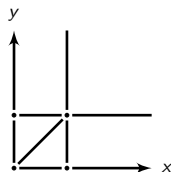
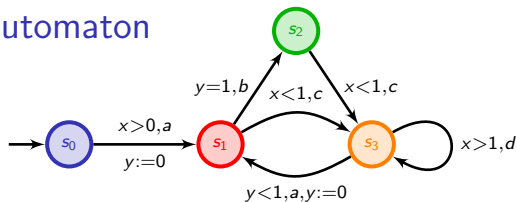
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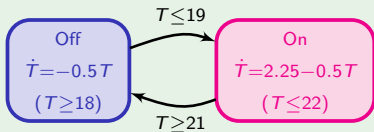
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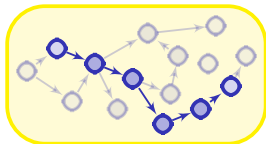
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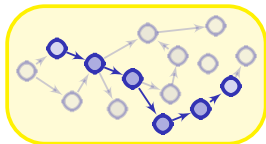
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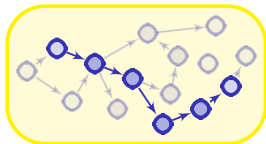


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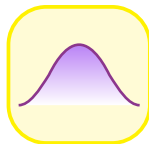


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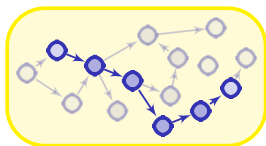
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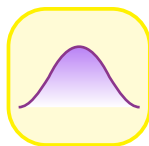
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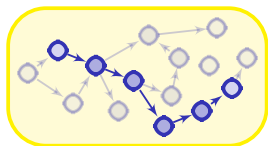


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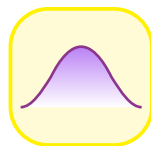


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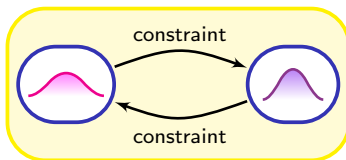
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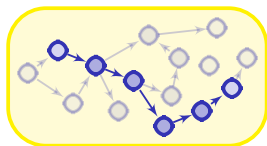
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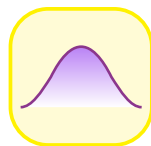
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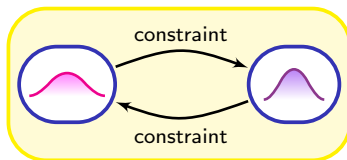
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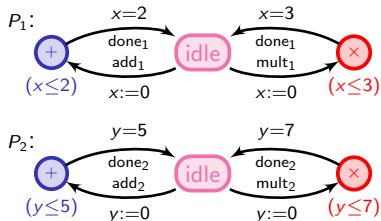
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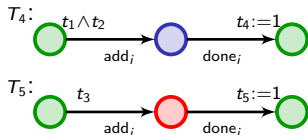
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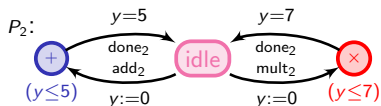
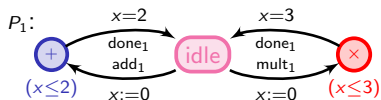


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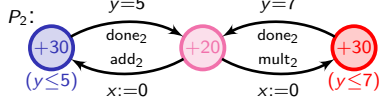
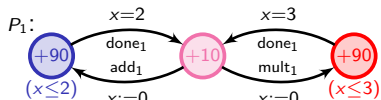


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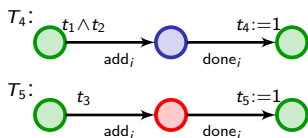
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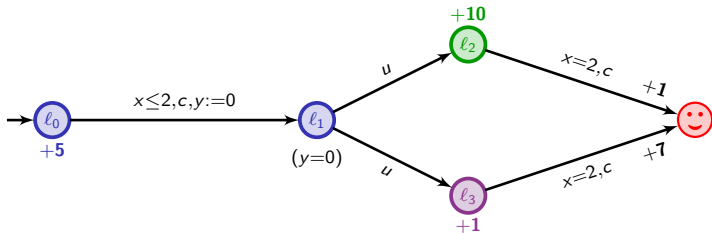


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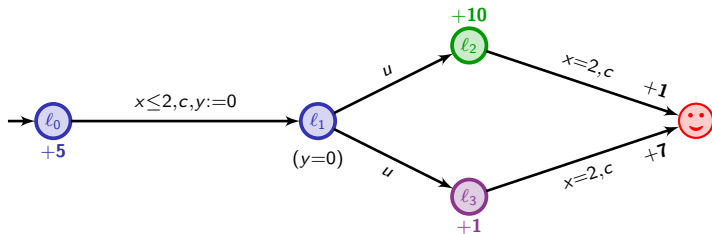
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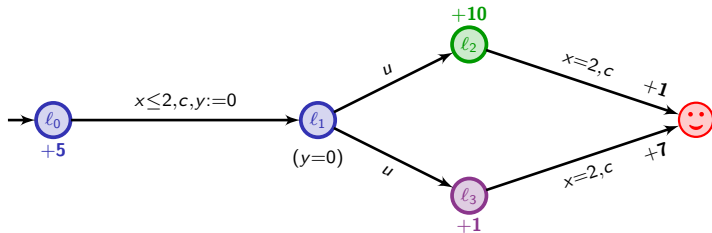


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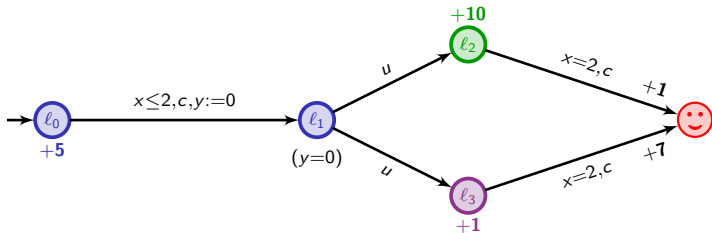
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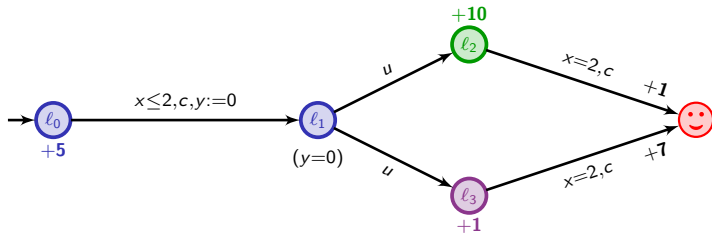
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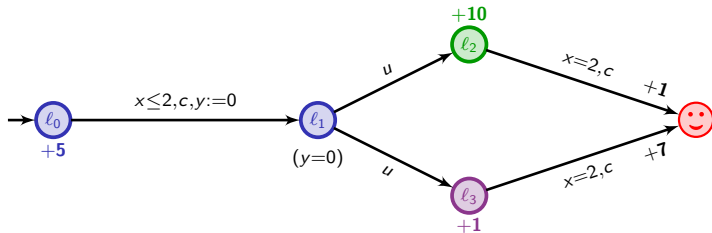


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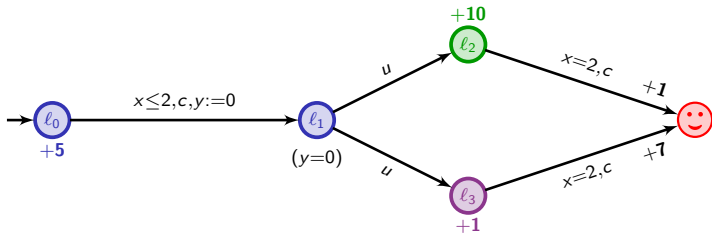


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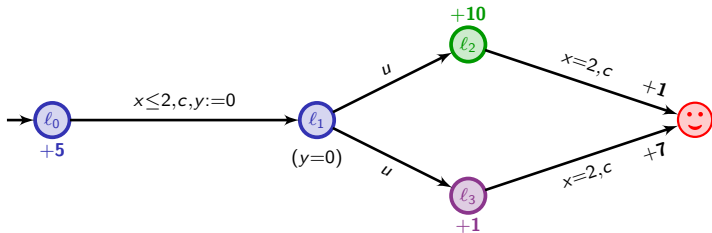


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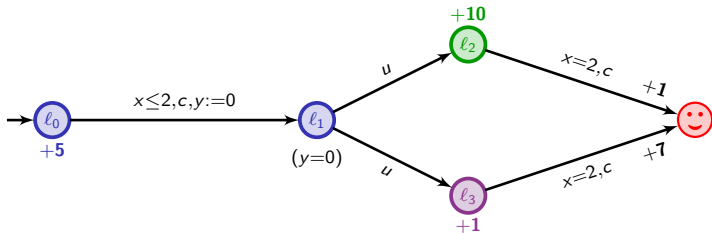


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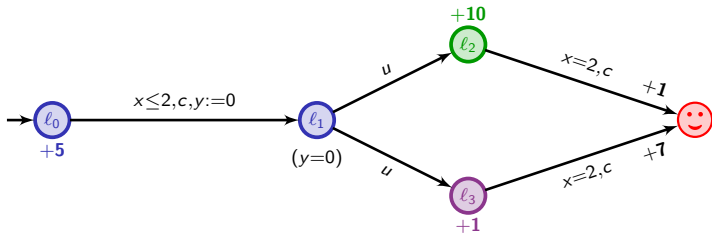


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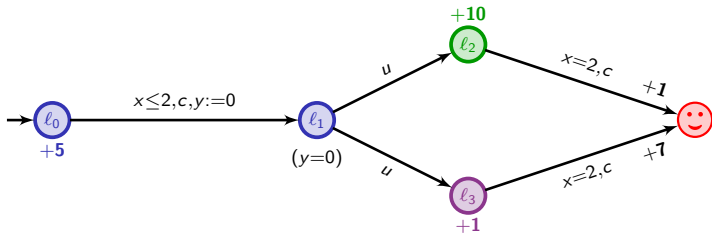


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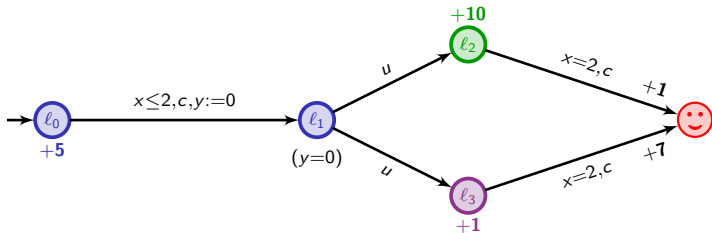
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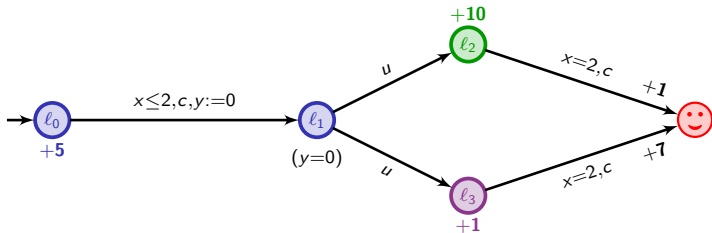
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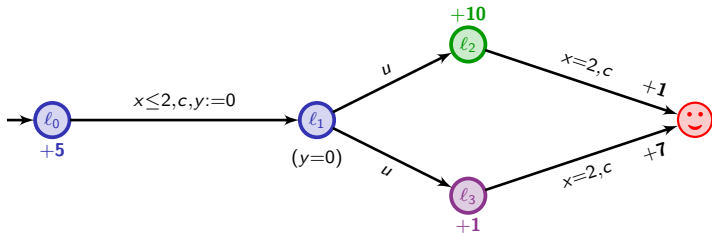
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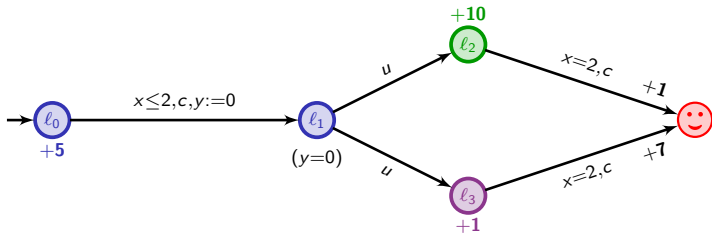
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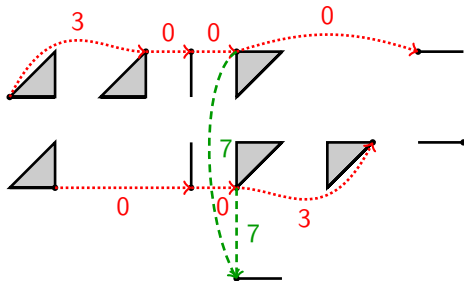
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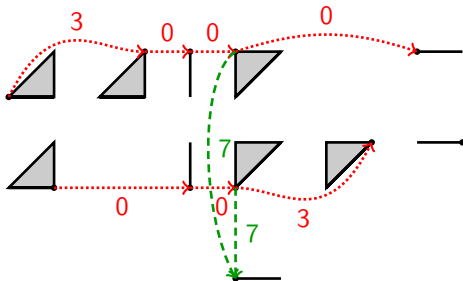
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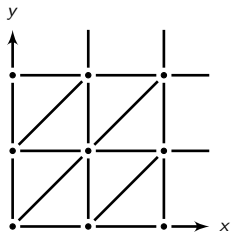
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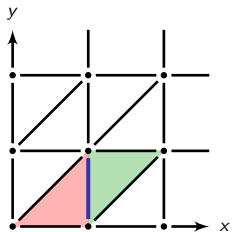
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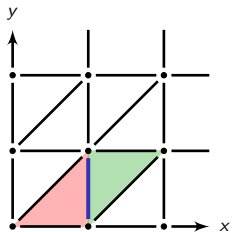
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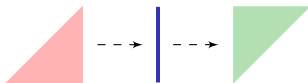
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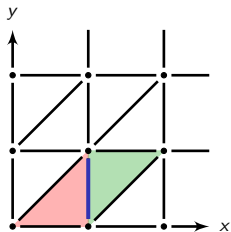
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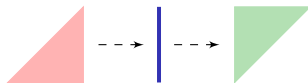
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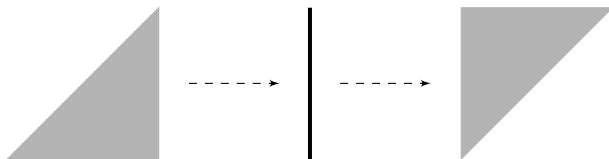
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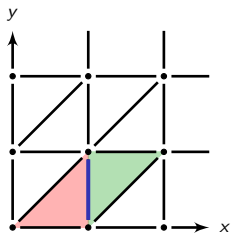
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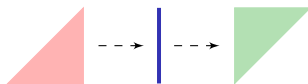
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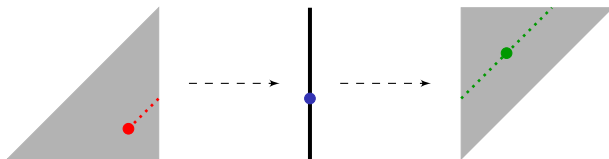
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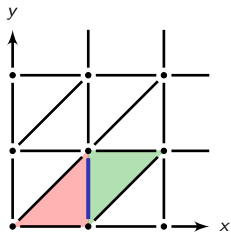
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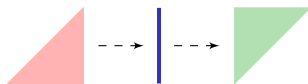
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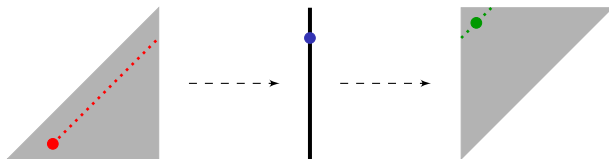
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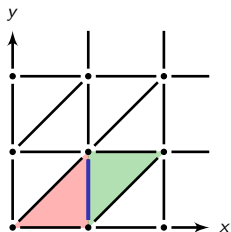
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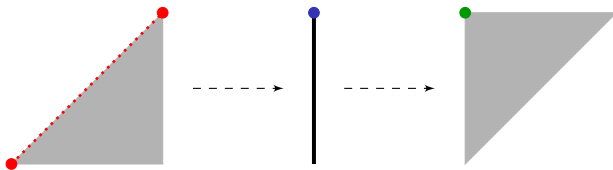
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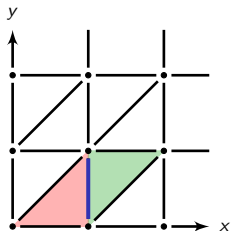
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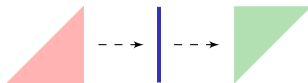
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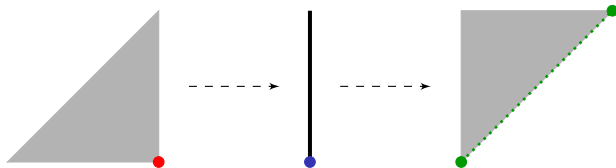
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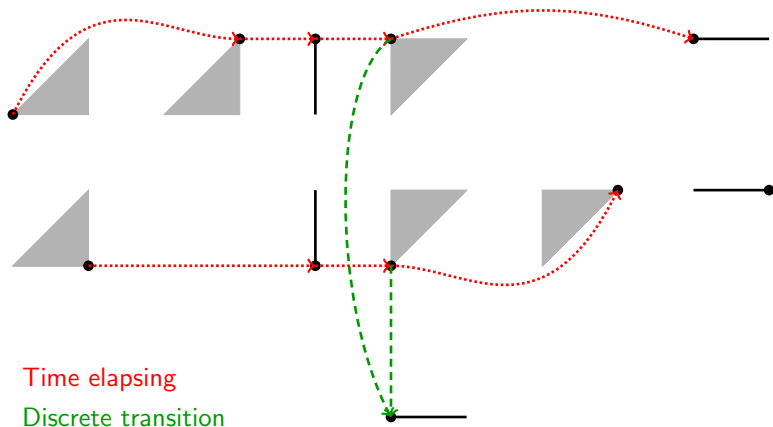
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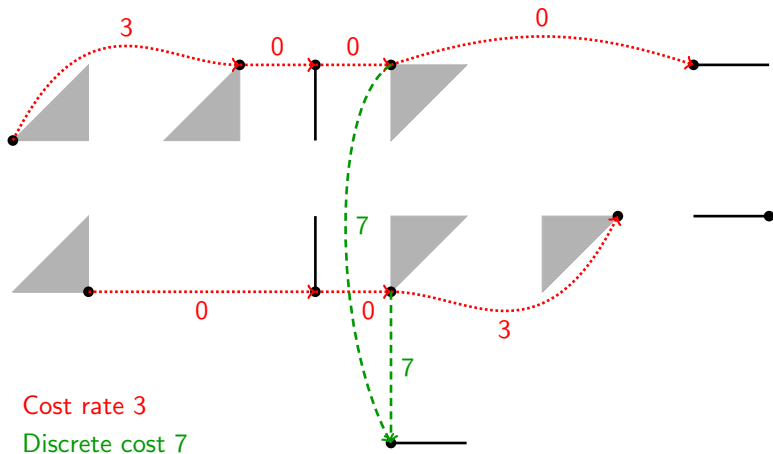
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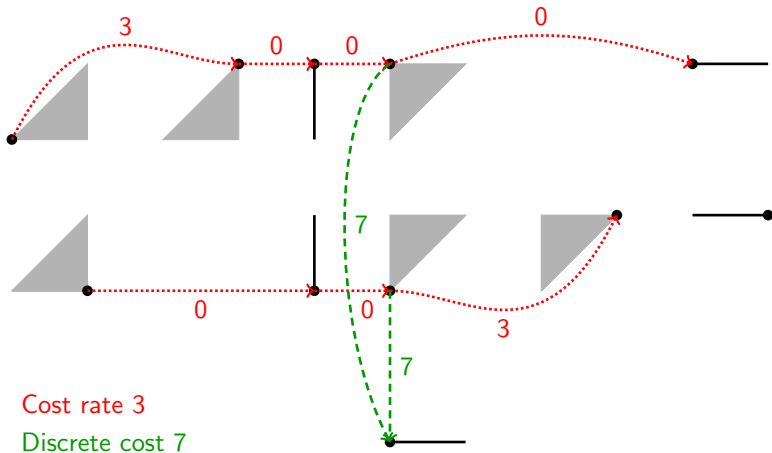
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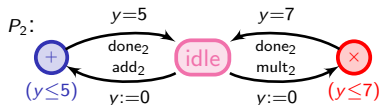
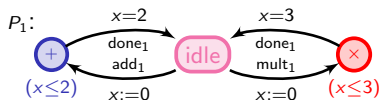
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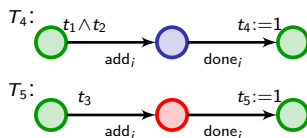
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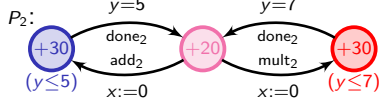
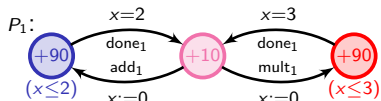
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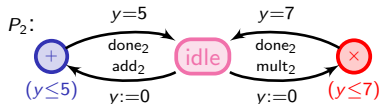
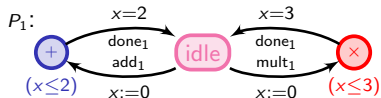


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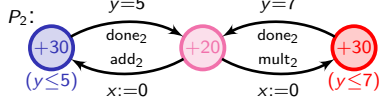
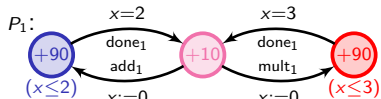


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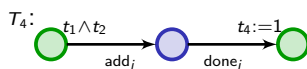
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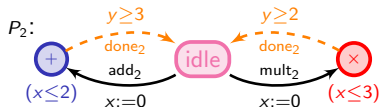
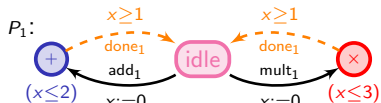
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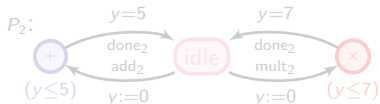
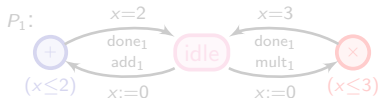


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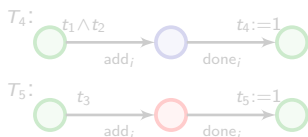


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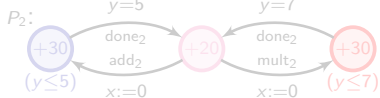
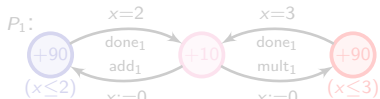


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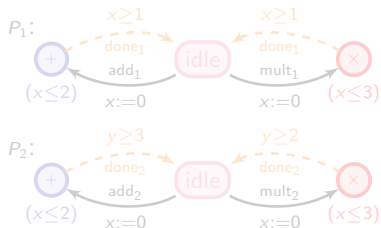


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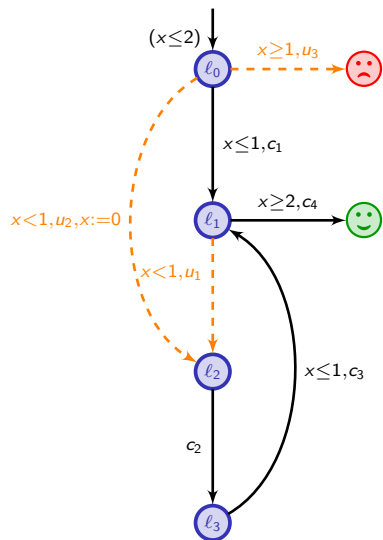
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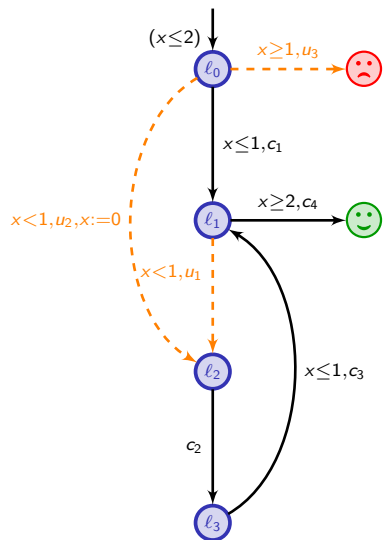
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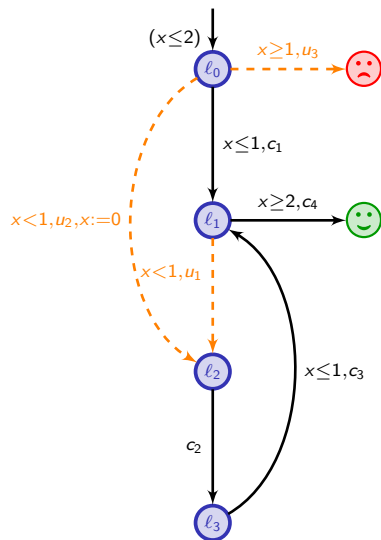
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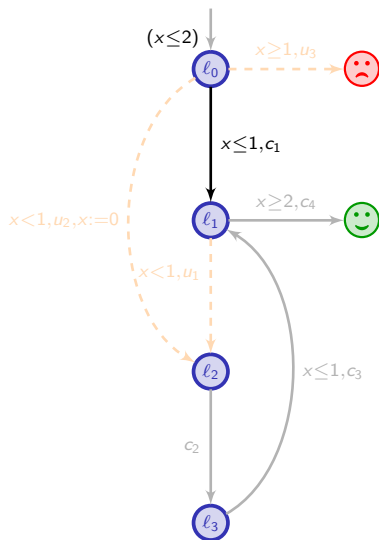


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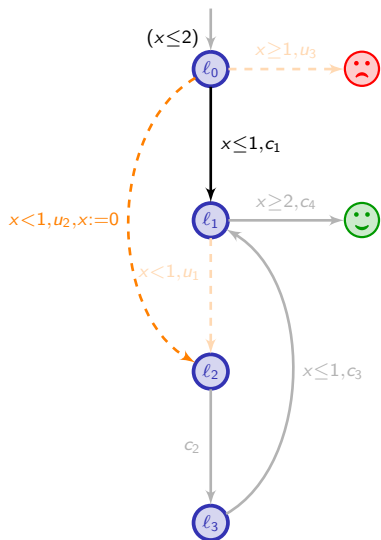
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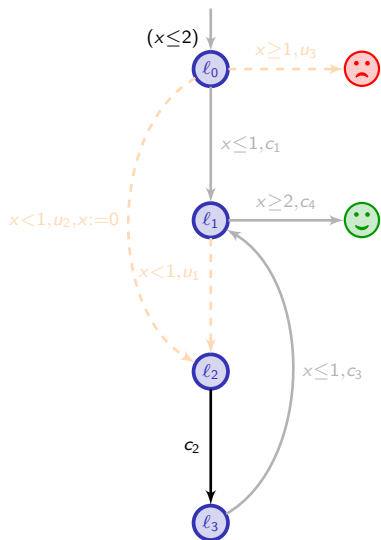
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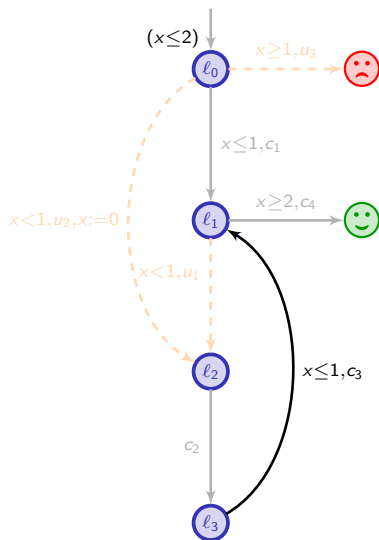
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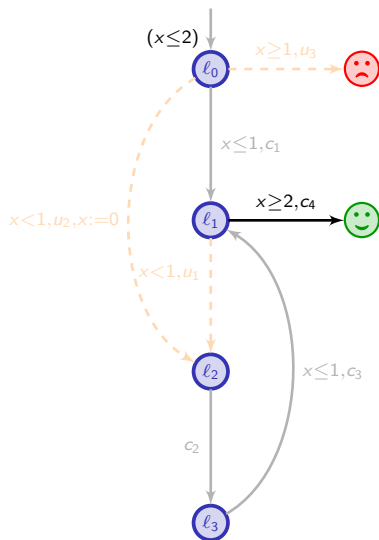
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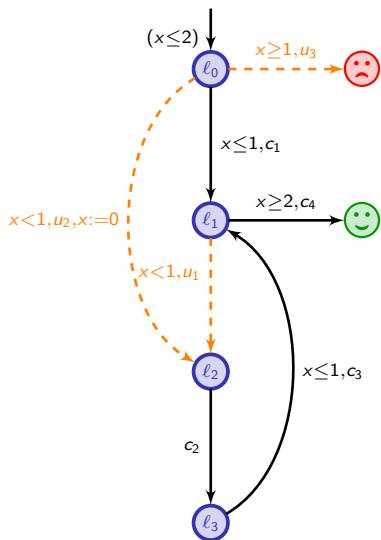
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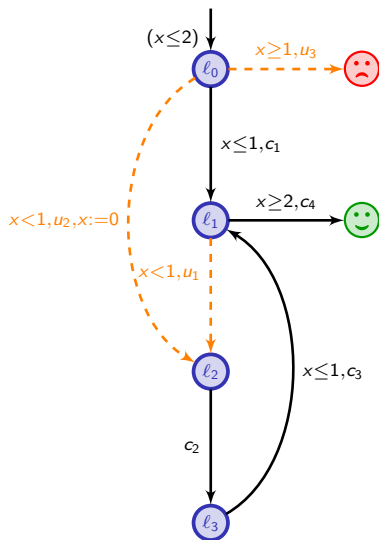
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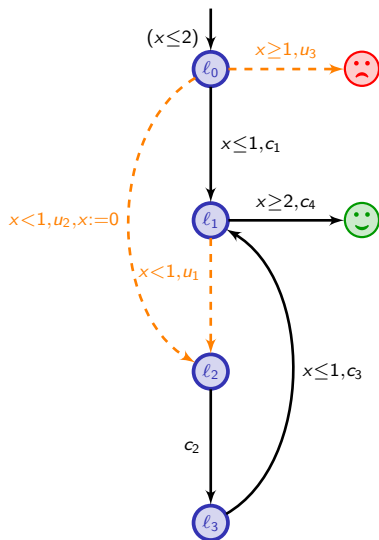
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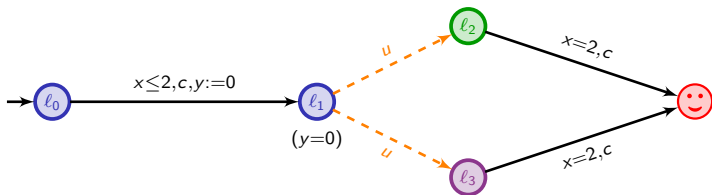
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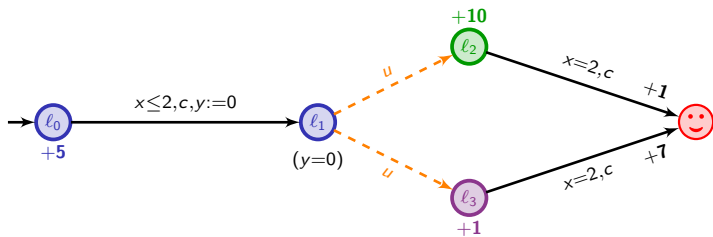
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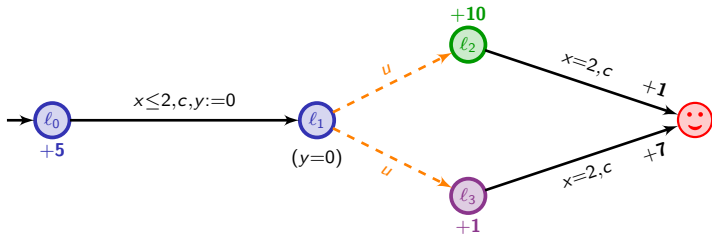
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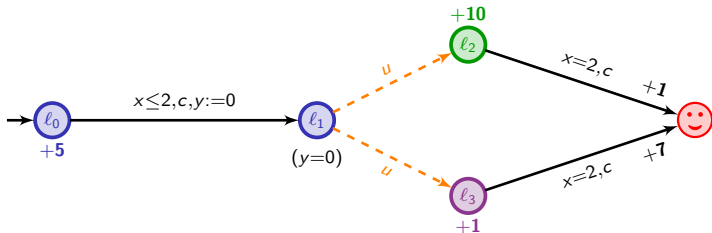


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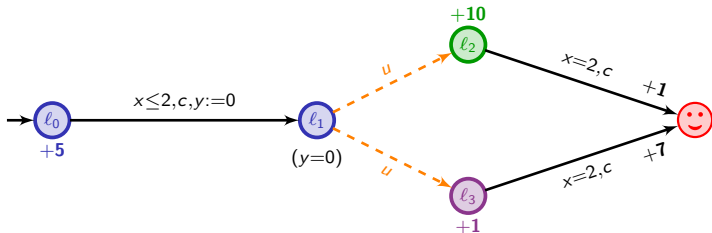
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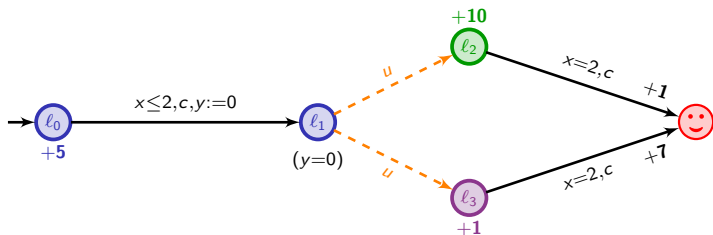
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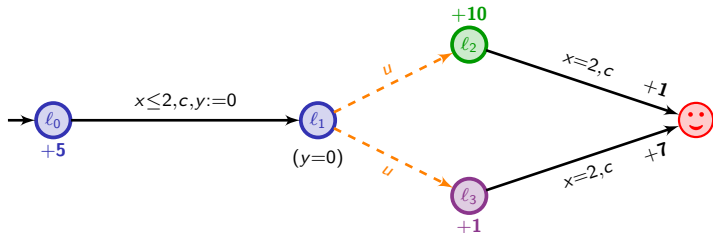
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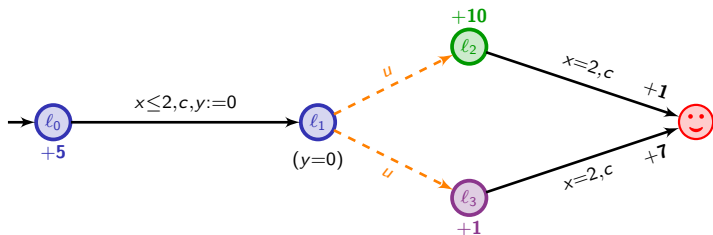
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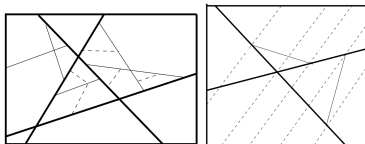
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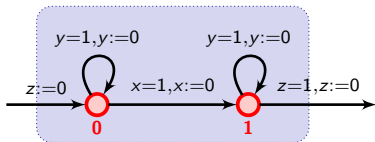
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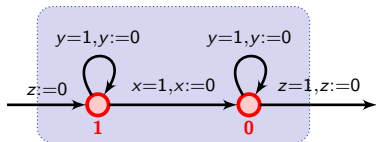
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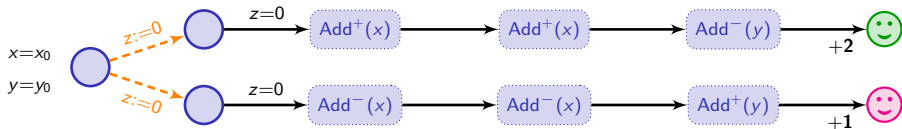
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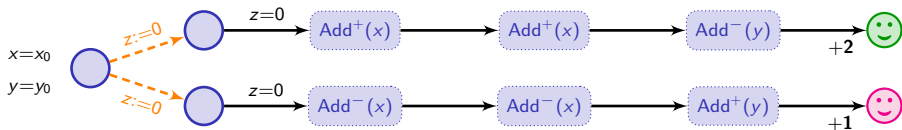
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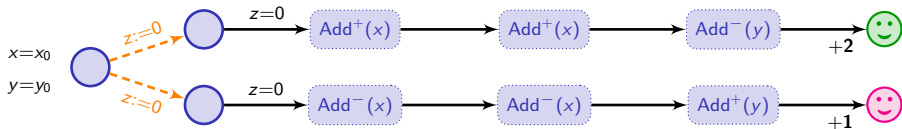
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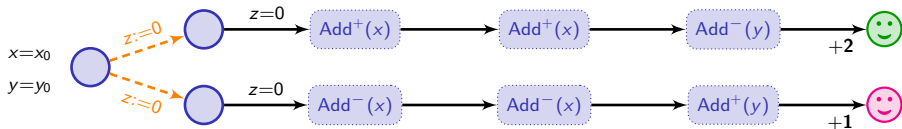
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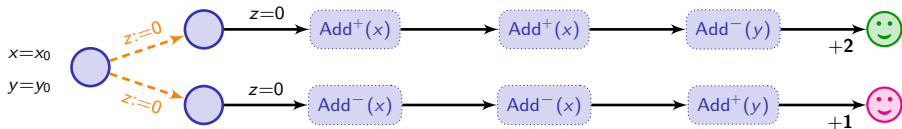
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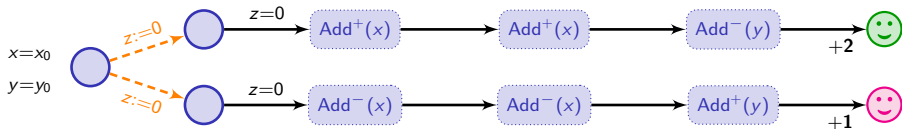
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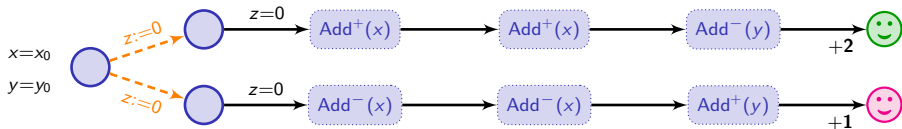
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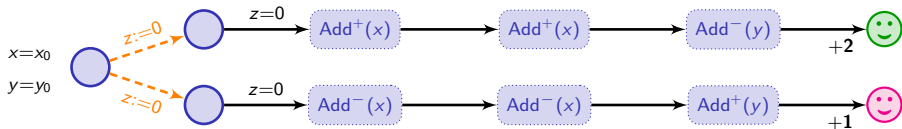
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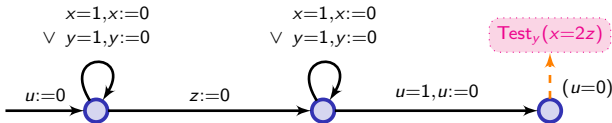
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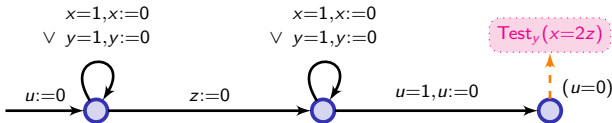
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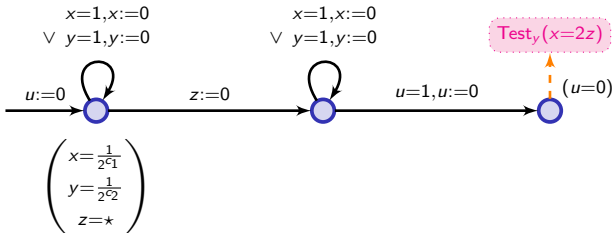
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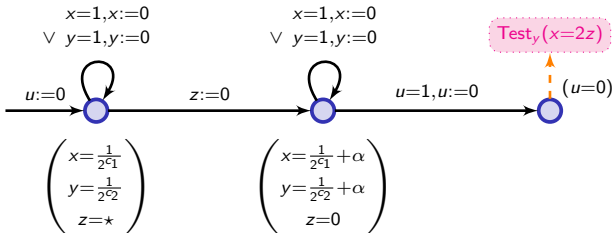
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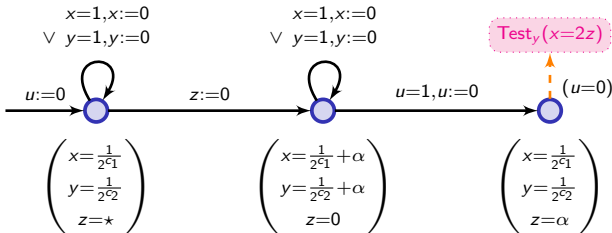
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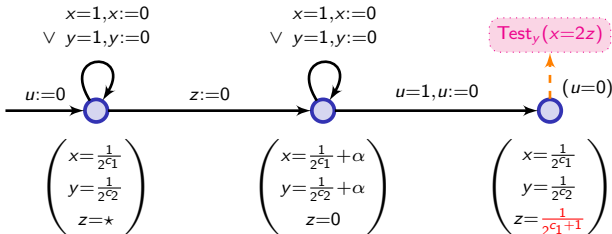
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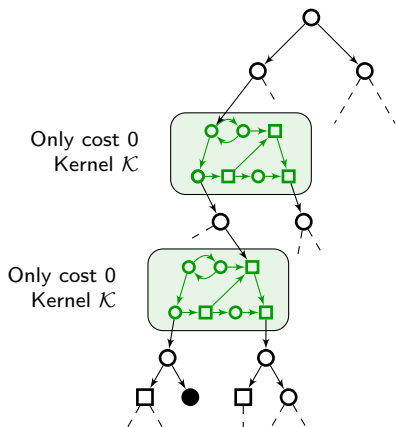
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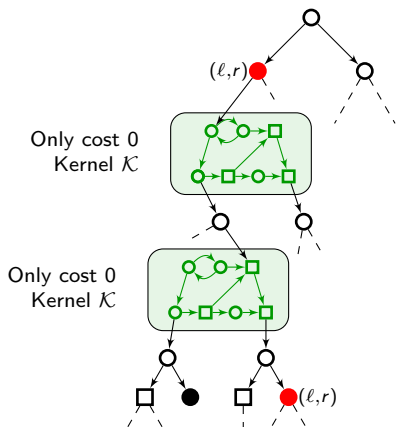
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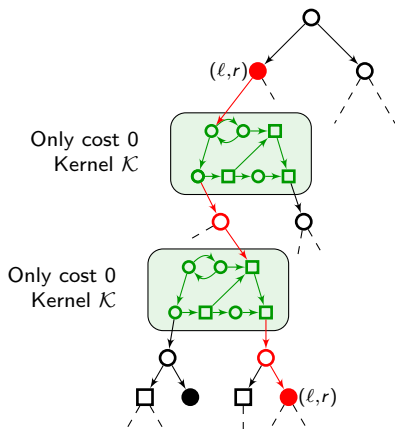
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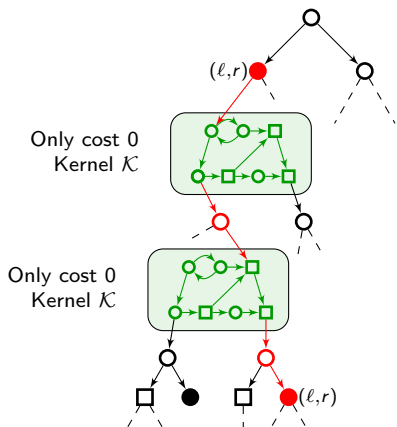
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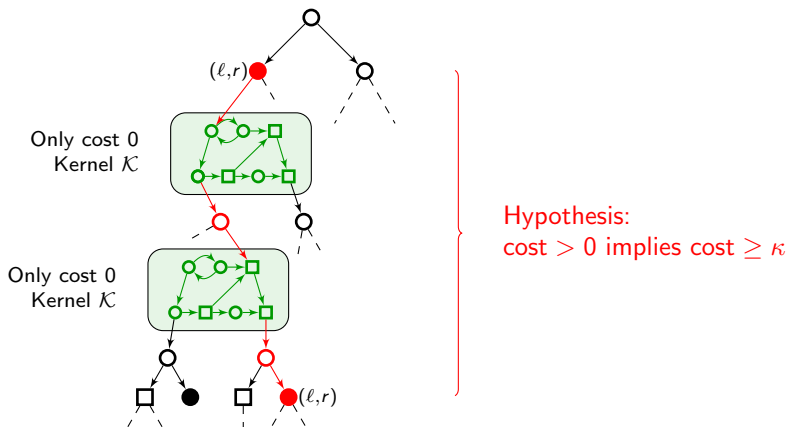


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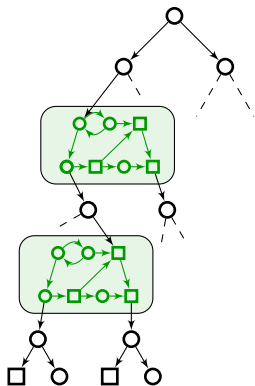
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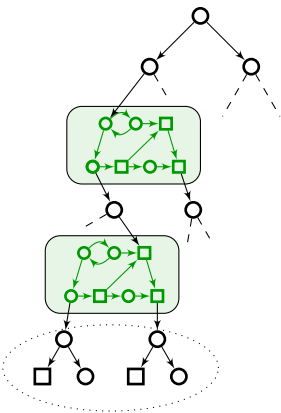


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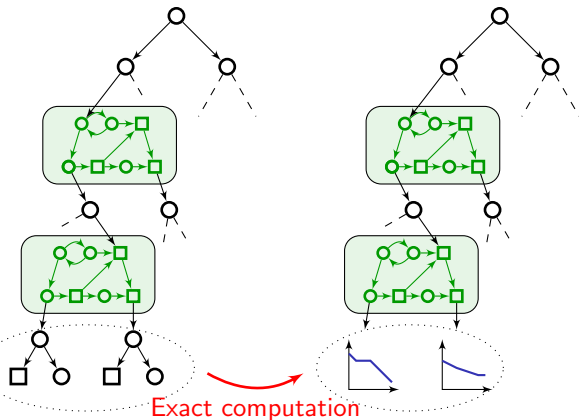
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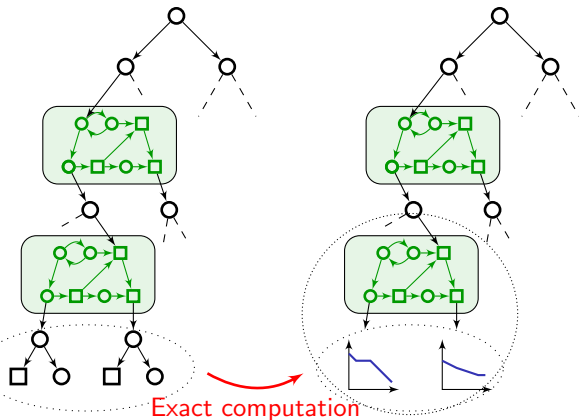
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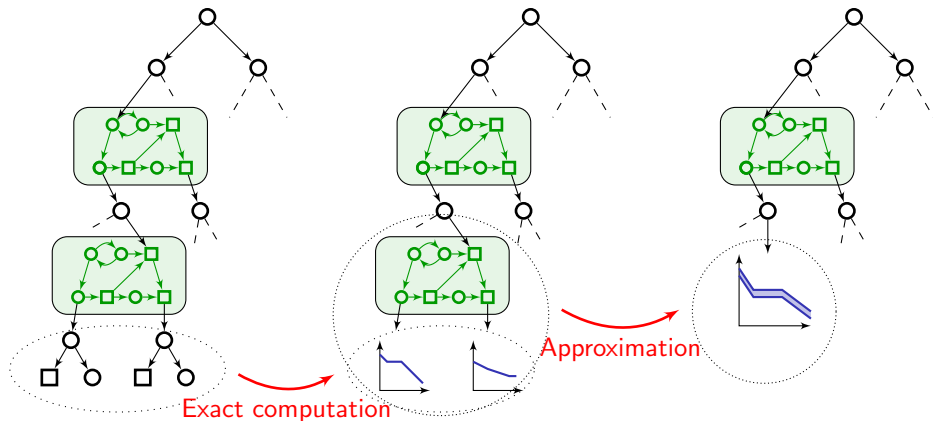
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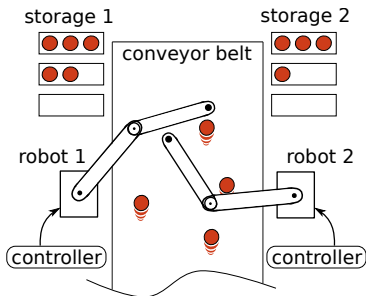
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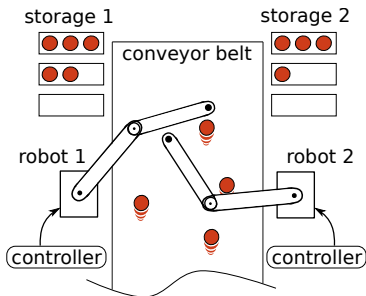
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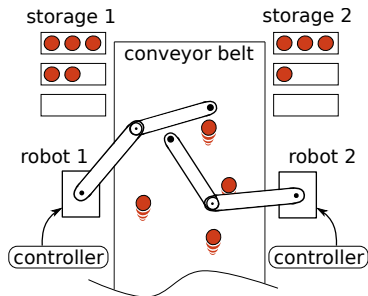


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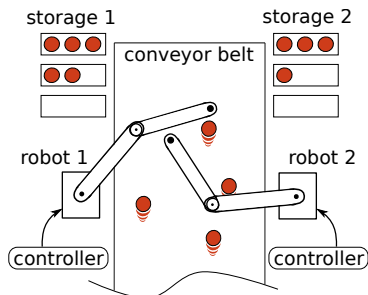


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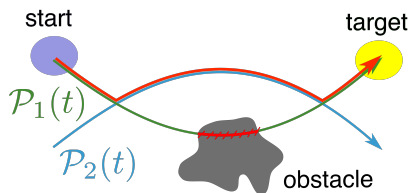
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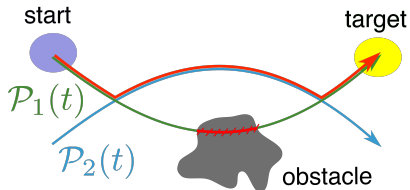
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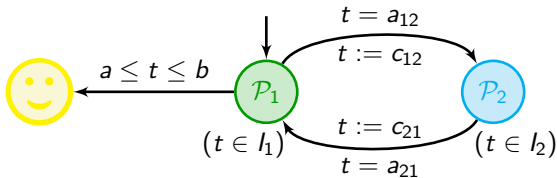


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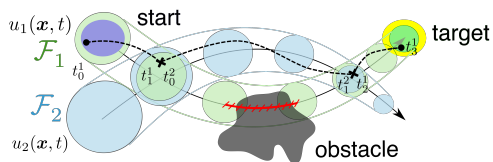


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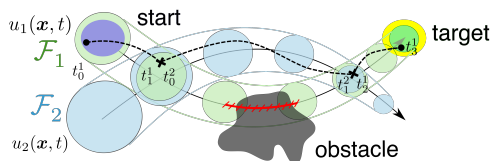
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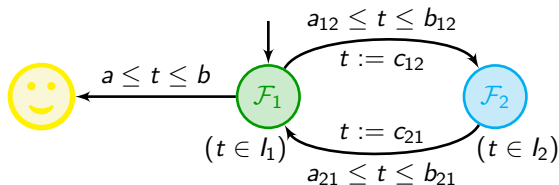


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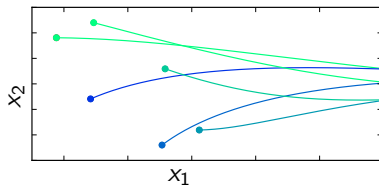


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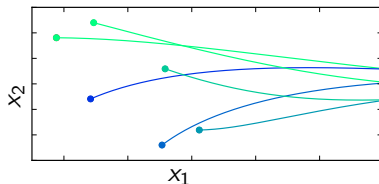
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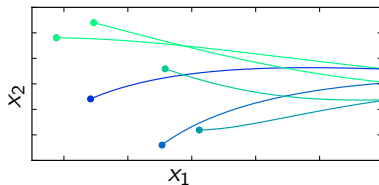


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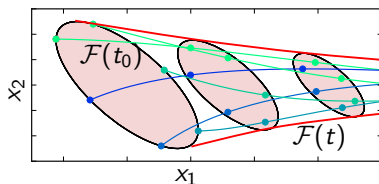
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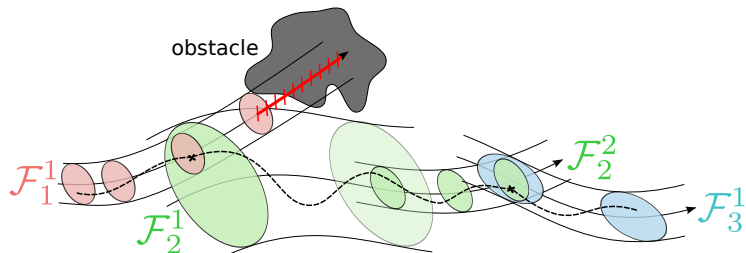


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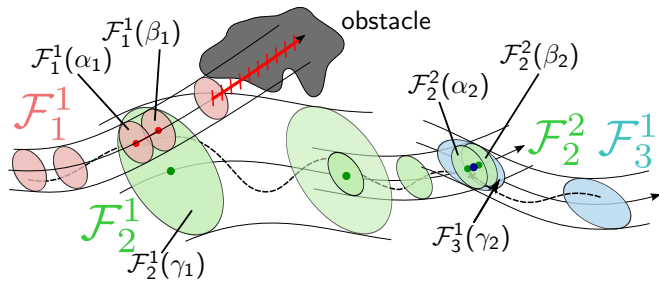
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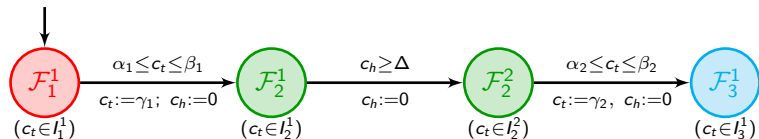
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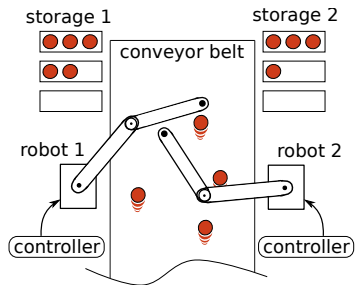
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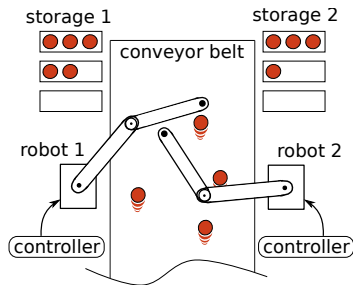
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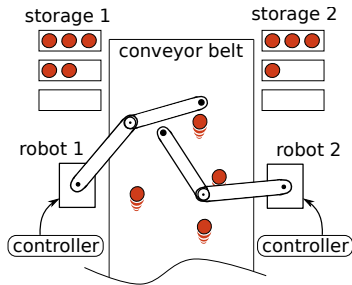


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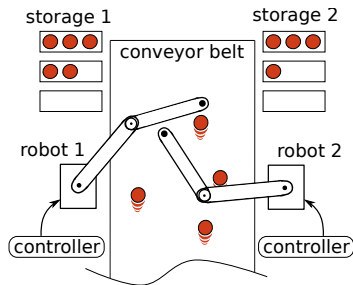
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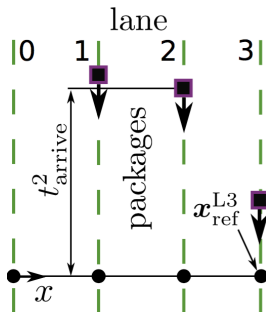
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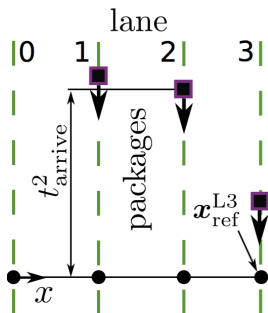
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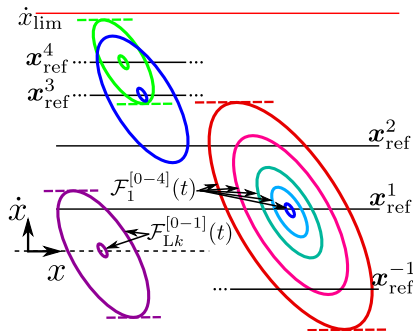


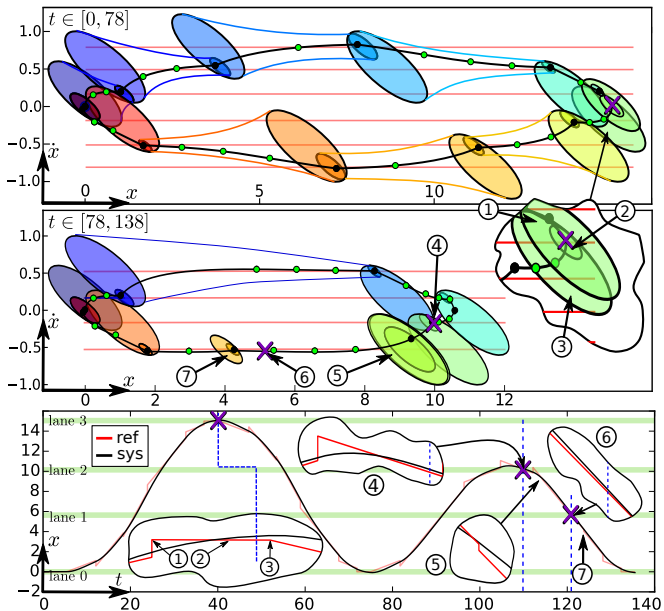
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- Handle more non-linear systems (automatically build control funnels)

For us

- Does not scale up very well so far (huge timed automata models)
 - Build the model on-demand?
But, can we give guarantees (optimality) when only part of the model has been built?
 - Develop specific algorithms for the special timed automata we construct?
- Implement efficient approx. algorithm for weighted timed games

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