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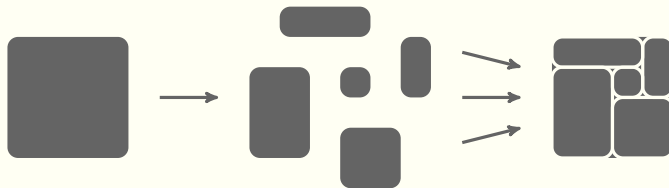
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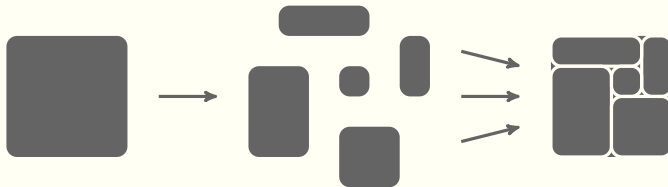
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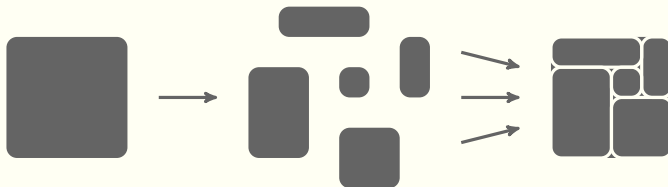
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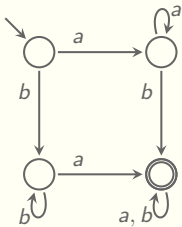
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Deterministic Finite state Automata

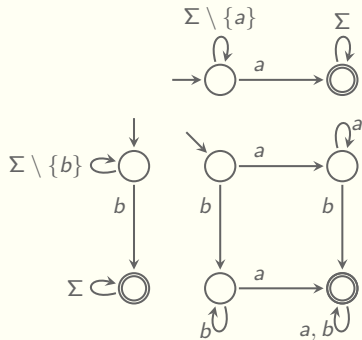
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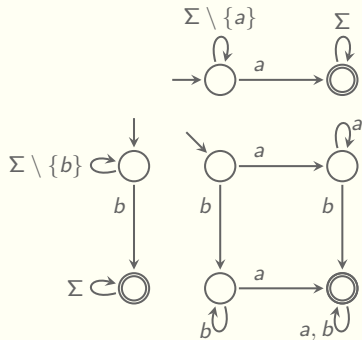


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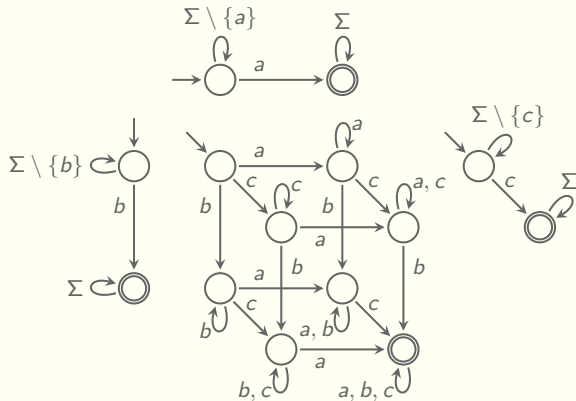
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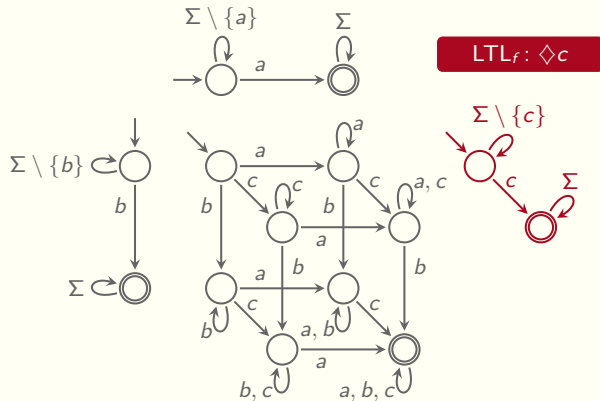
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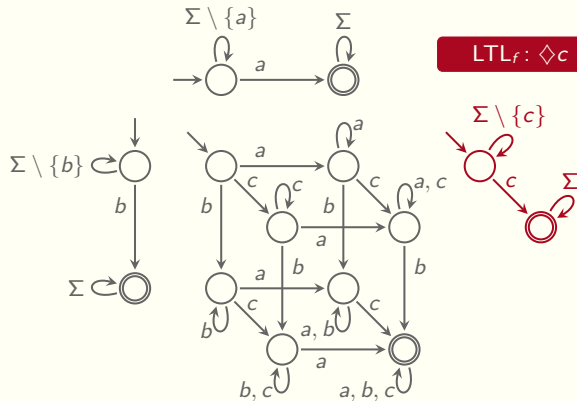
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General Setting

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Theorems

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- ▶ *It is in PSPACE once parameterized to have at most k -factors*

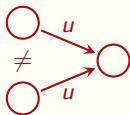
Contributions

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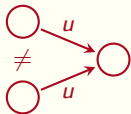


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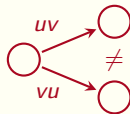
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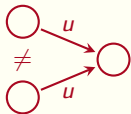


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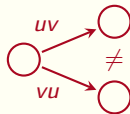
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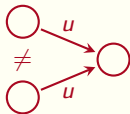
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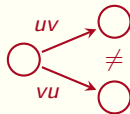
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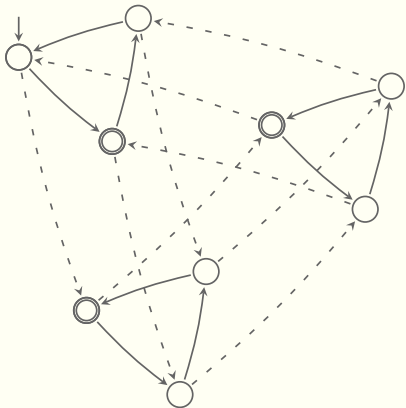
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Jecker, Mazzocchi and Wolf

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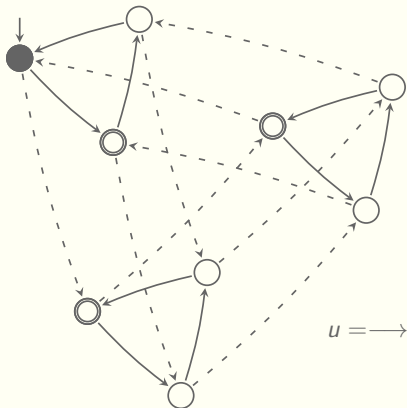
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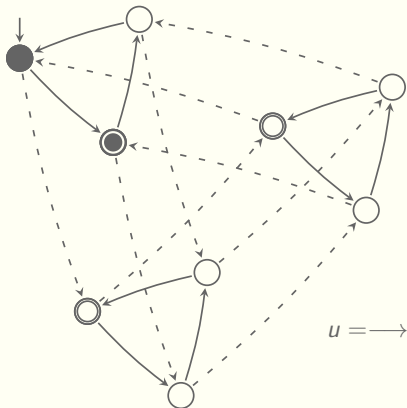
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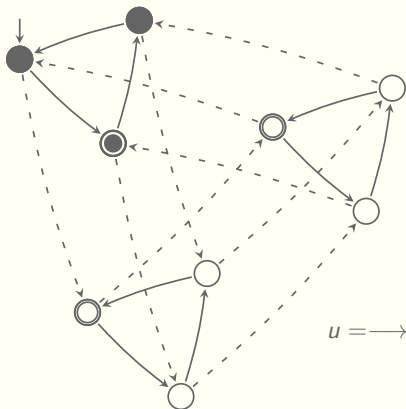
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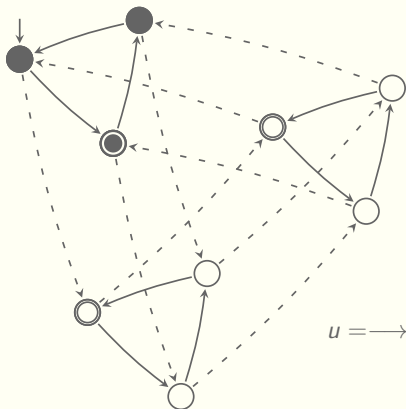
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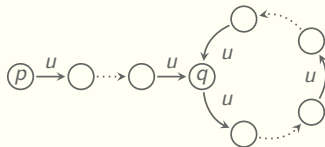
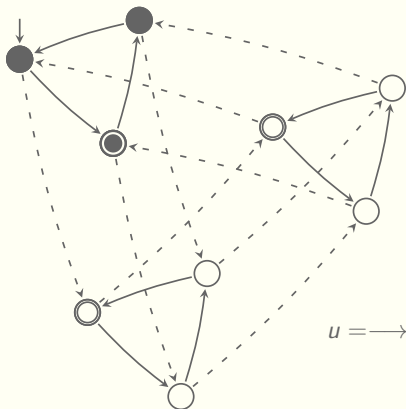
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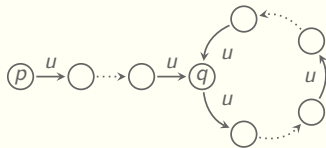
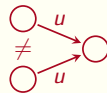
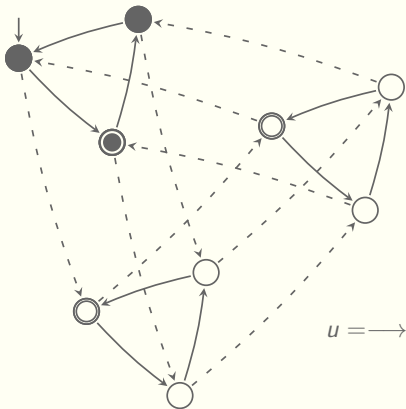
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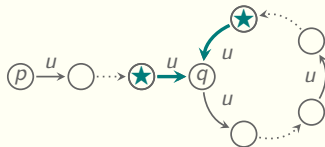
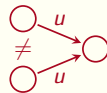
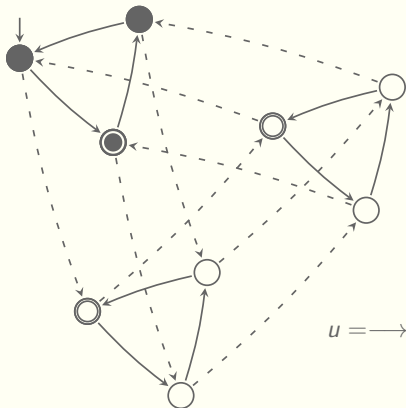
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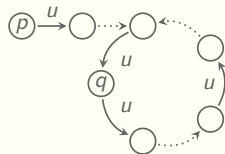
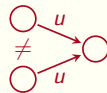
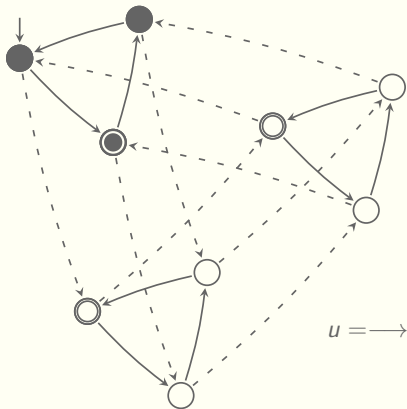
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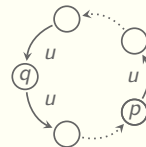
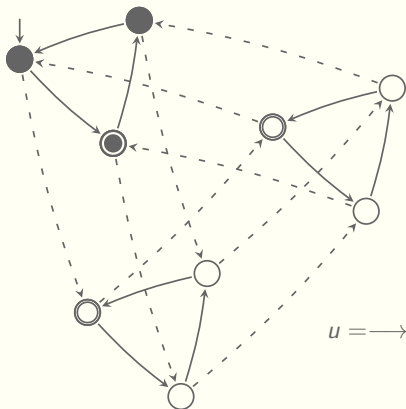
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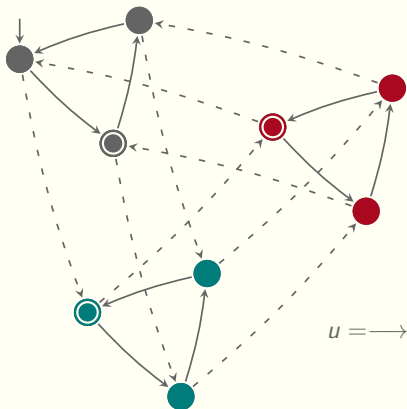
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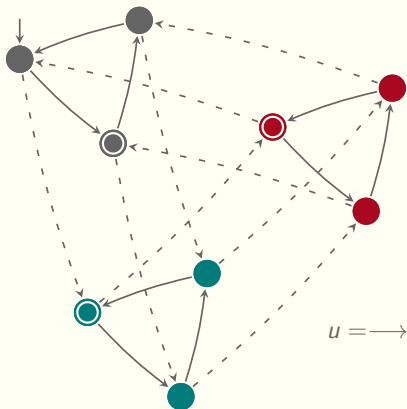
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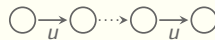
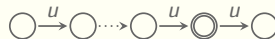
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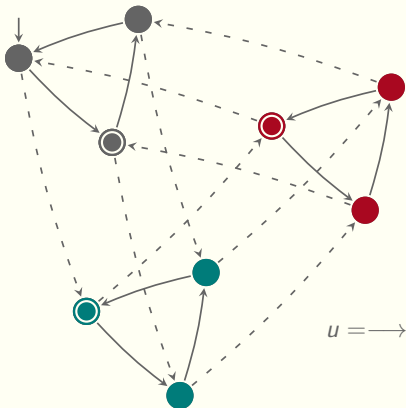


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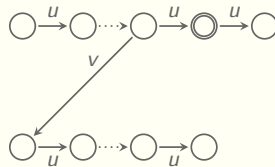


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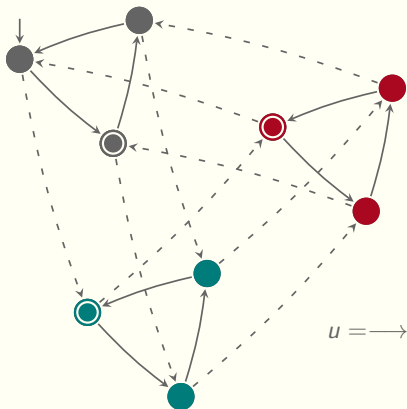


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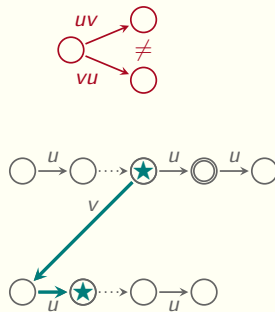


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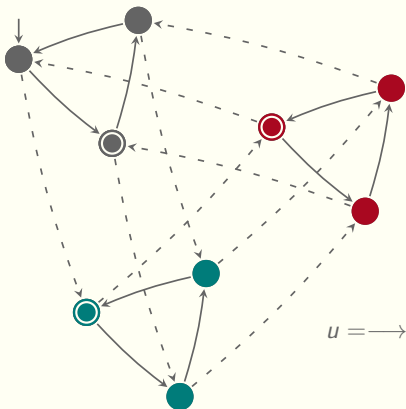


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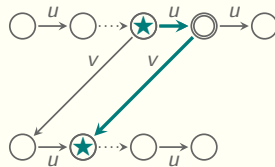


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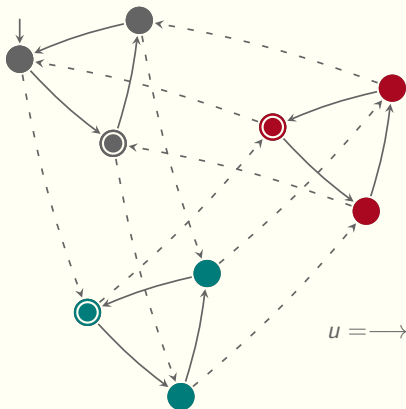


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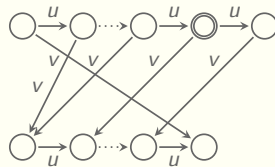


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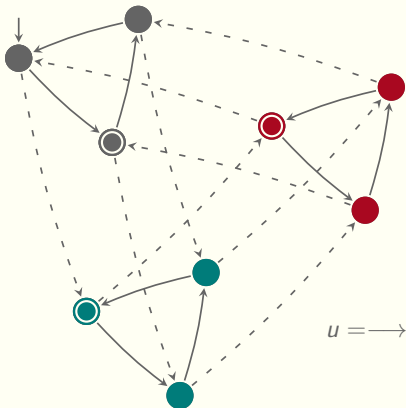


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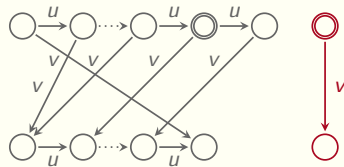


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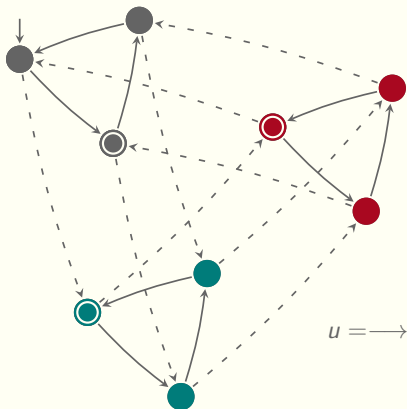


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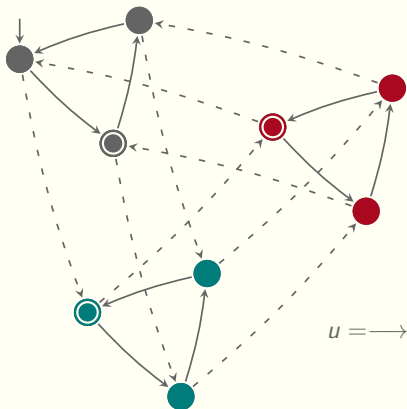
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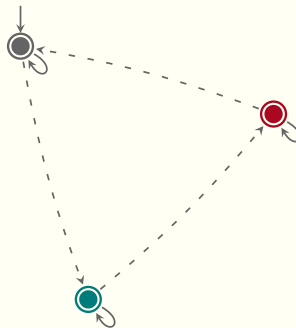
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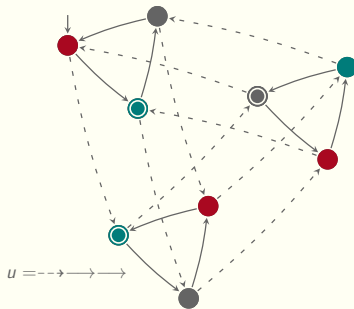
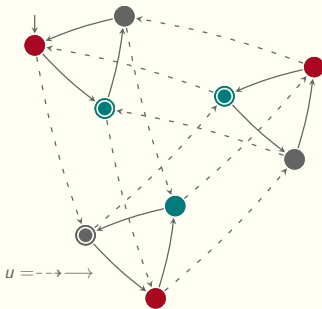
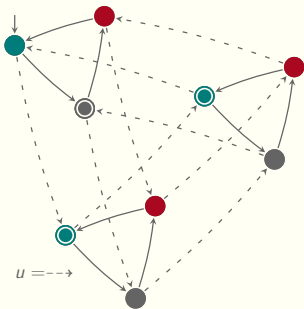
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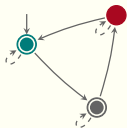
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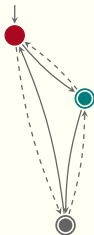
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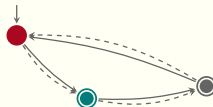
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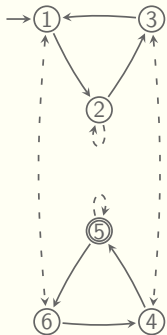
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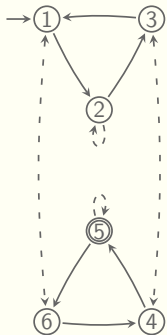
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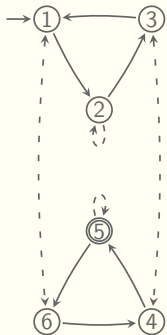


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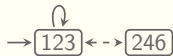
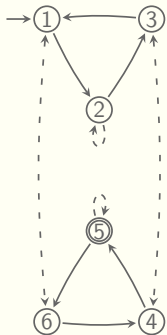
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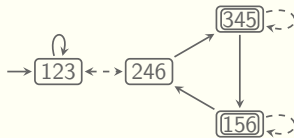
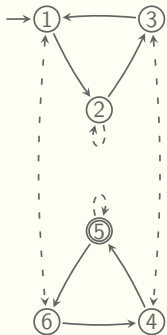
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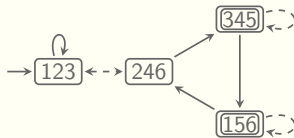
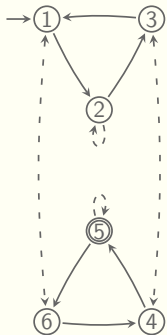
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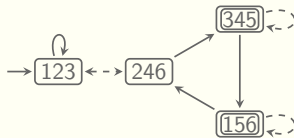
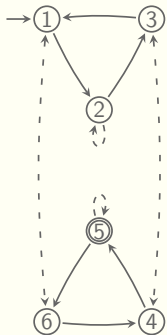
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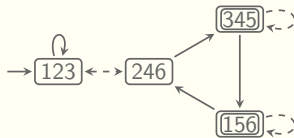
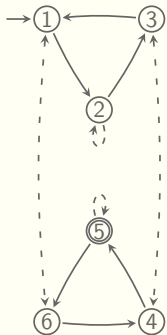
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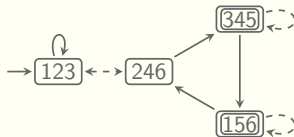
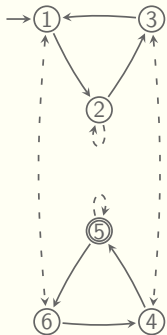
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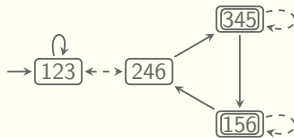
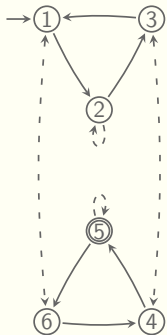
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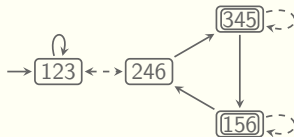
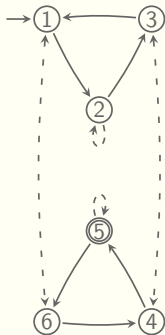
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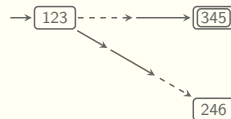
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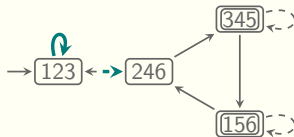
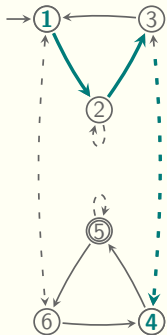
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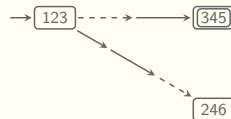
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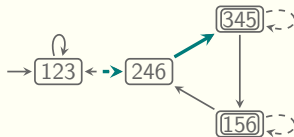
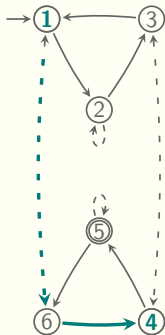
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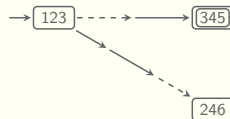
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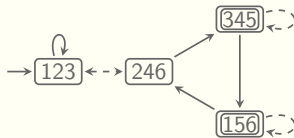
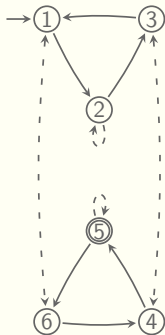
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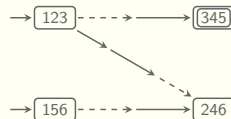
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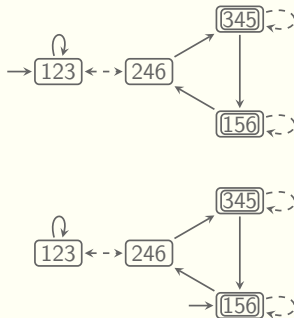
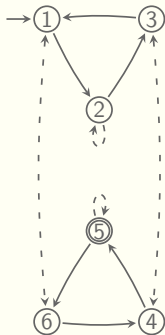
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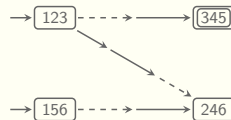
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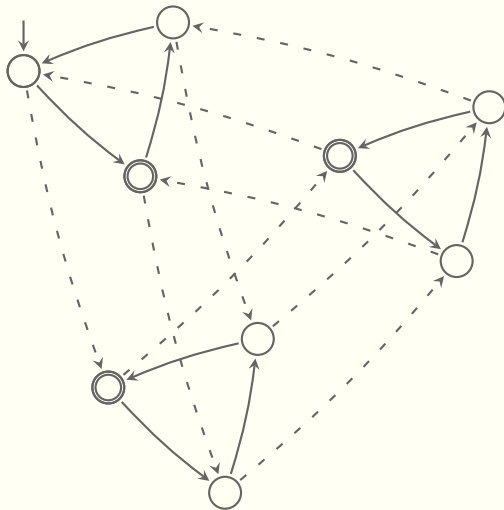
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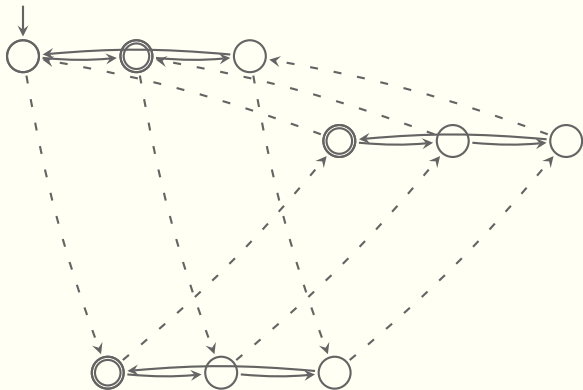
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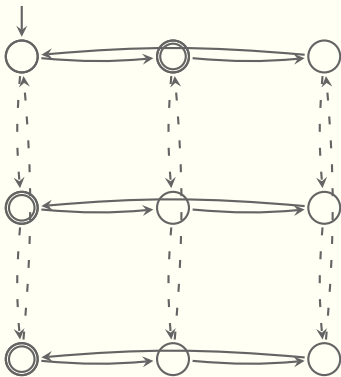
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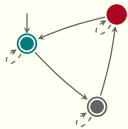
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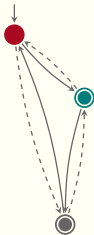
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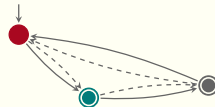
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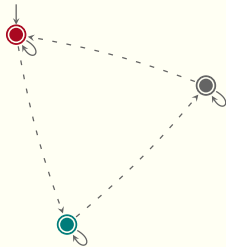
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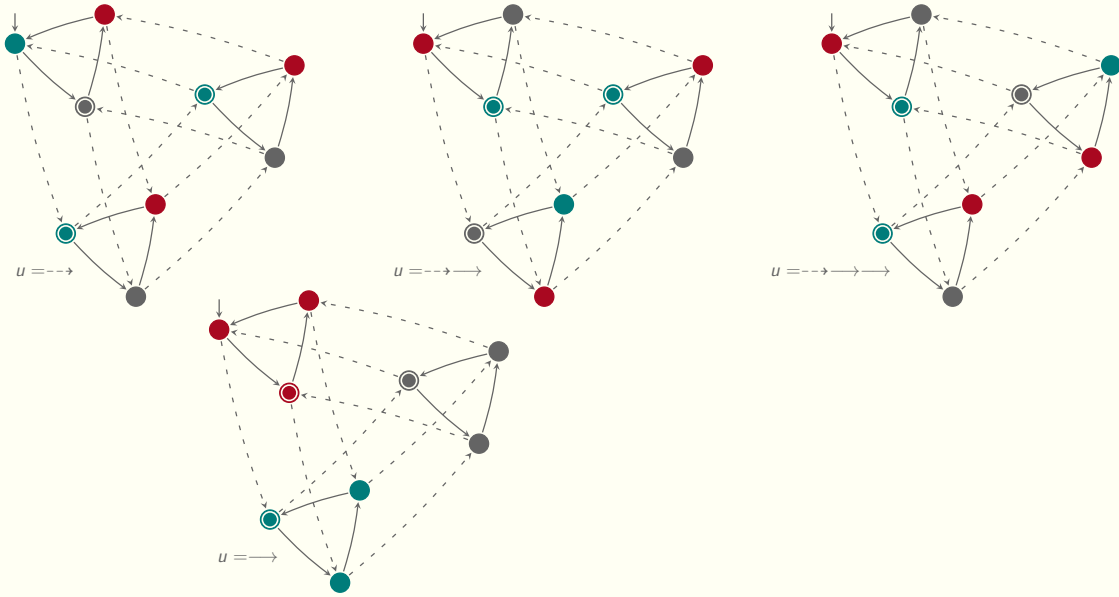


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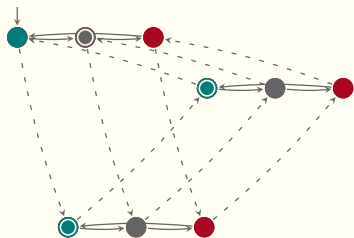


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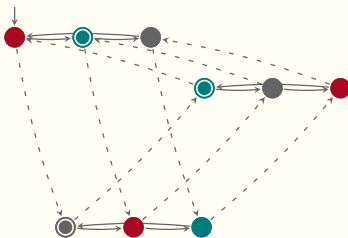
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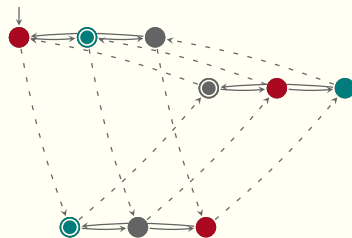
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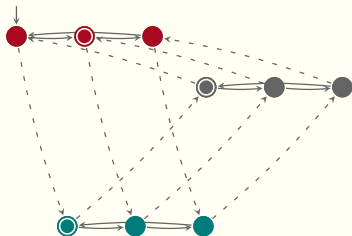
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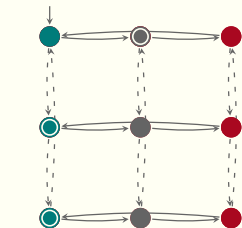


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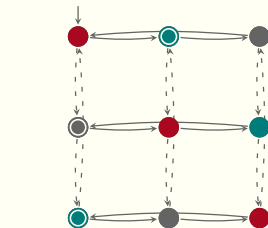


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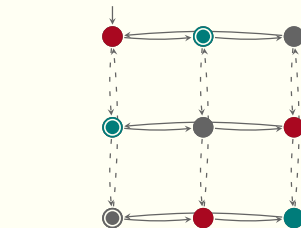
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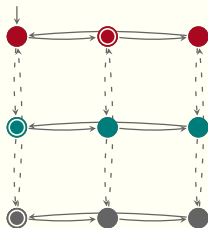
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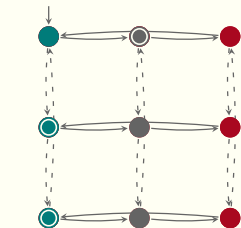


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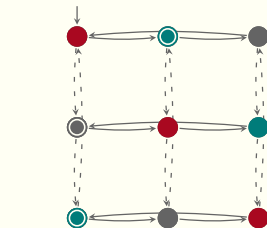


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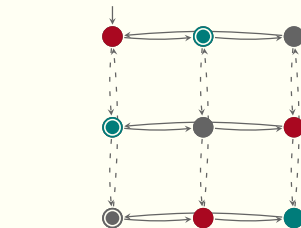
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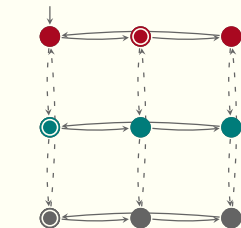
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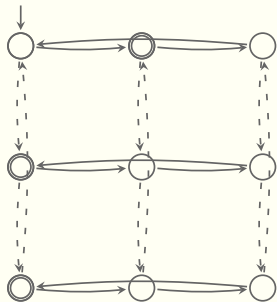
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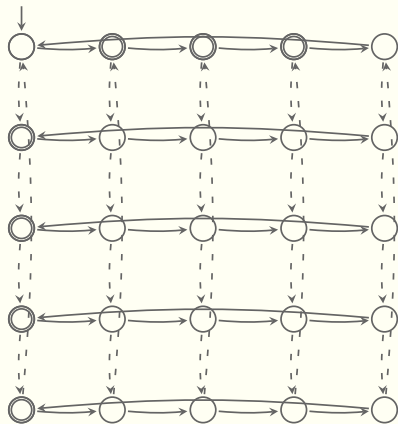
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Toward a large decomposition



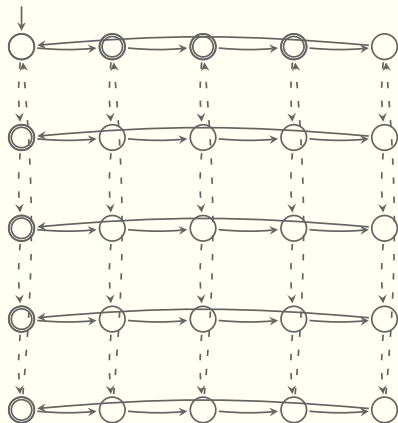
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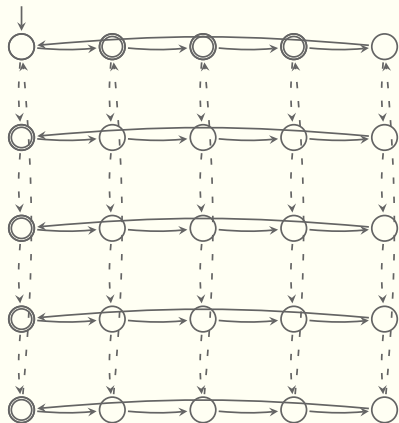


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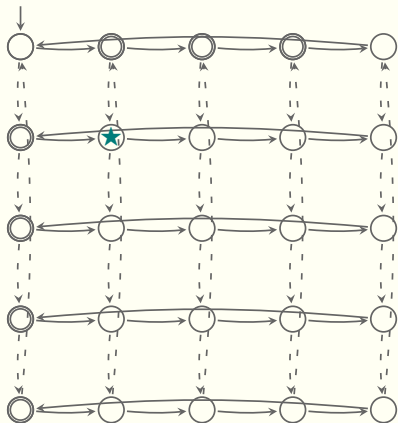


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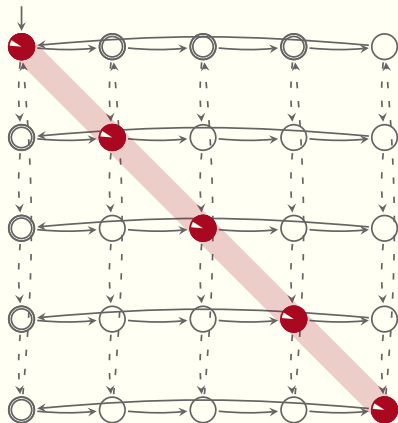


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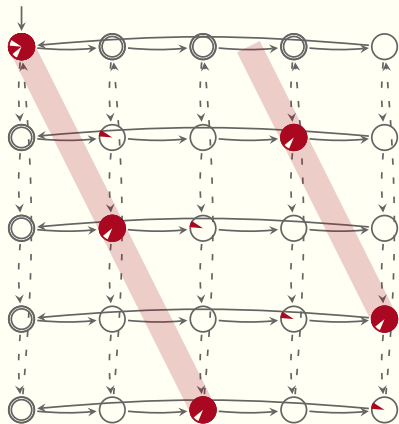


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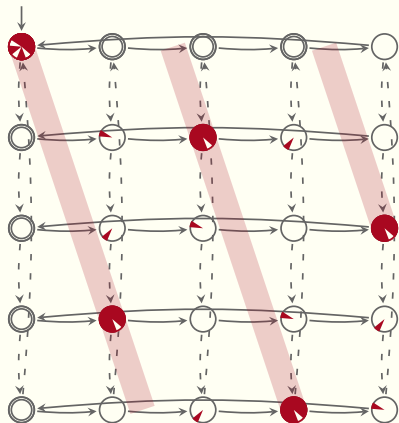


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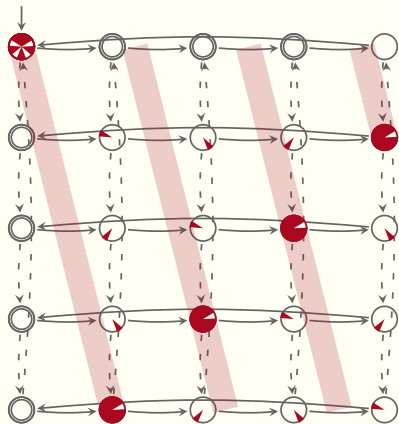


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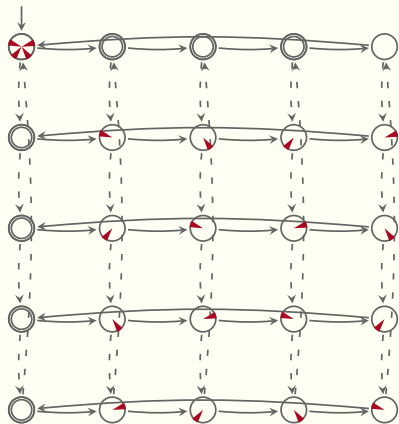


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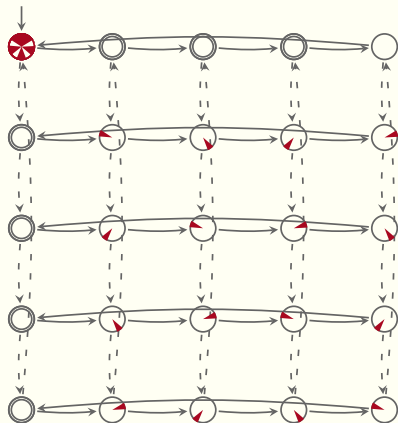


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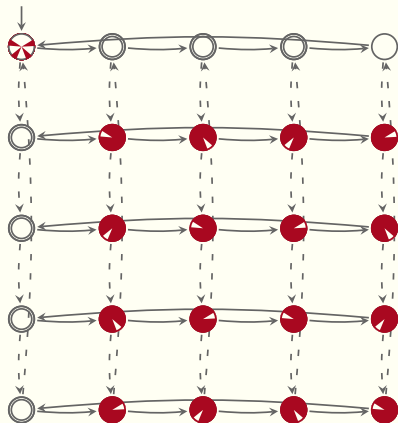
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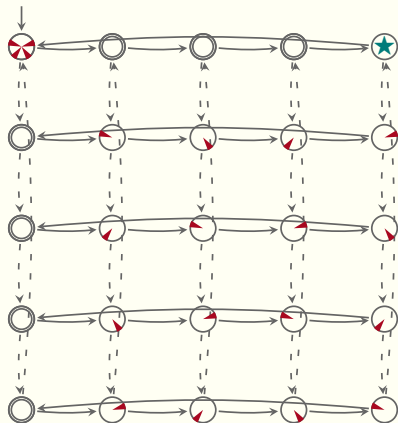


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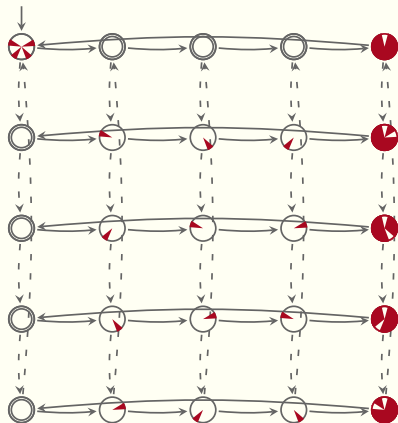


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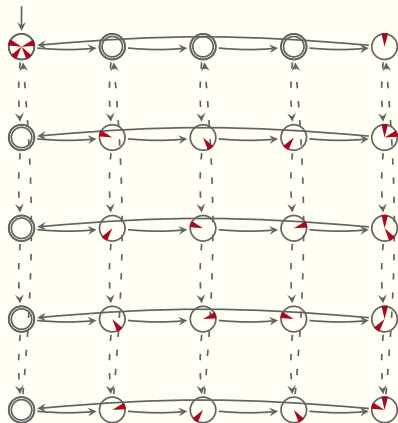


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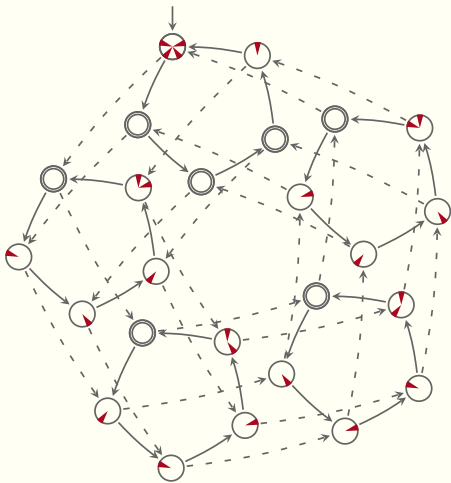


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Theorem

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Large decompositions (n states and m letters)

- ▶ unary commutative permutation DFAs requiring $\ln(n)/\ln(\ln(n))$ factors to be decomposed [2]
- ▶ commutative permutation DFAs requiring $(\sqrt[m]{n} - 1)^{m-1}$ factors to be decomposed



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appendix

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