# **Supplement to: Inferring Graphics Programs from Images**

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#### 1 Neural network architecture

#### 2 1.1 Convolutional network

- 3 The convolutional network takes as input 2  $256 \times 256$  images represented as a  $2 \times 256 \times 256$
- 4 volume. These are passed through two layers of convolutions separated by ReLU nonlinearities and
- 5 max pooling:
  - Layer 1: 20 8 × 8 convolutions, 2 16 × 4 convolutions, 2 4 × 16 convolutions. Followed by 8 × 8 pooling with a stride size of 4.
    - Layer 2:  $10.8 \times 8$  convolutions. Followed by  $4 \times 4$  pooling with a stride size of 4.
- Training takes a little bit less than a day on a Nvidia TitanX GPU. The network was trained on  $10^5$  synthetic examples.

#### 1.2 Autoregressive decoding of drawing commands

Given the image features f, we predict the first token using logistic regression:

$$\mathbb{P}[T_1] \propto W_{T_1} f \tag{1}$$

- where  $W_{T_1}$  is a learned weight matrix.
- 14 Subsequent tokens are predicted as:

$$\mathbb{P}[T_n|T_{1:(n-1)}] \propto \mathrm{MLP}_{T_1,n}(I \otimes \bigotimes_{j < n} \mathrm{oneHot}(T_j))$$
 (2)

- 15 Thus each token of each drawing primitive has its own learned MLP. For predicting the coordinates
- of lines we found that using 32 hidden nodes with sigmoid activations worked well; for other tokens
- the MLP's are just logistic regression (no hidden nodes).

### 18 1.3 A learned likelihood surrogate

- Our architecture for  $L_{\text{learned}}(\text{render}(T_1)|\text{render}(T_2))$  has the same series of convolutions as the
- 20 network that predicts the next drawing command. We train it to predict two scalars:  $|T_1 T_2|$
- and  $|T_2 T_1|$ . These predictions are made using linear regression from the image features followed
- by a ReLU nonlinearity; this nonlinearity makes sense because the predictions can never be negative
- but could be arbitrarily large positive numbers.
- We train this network by sampling random synthetic scenes for  $T_1$ , and then perturbing them in small
- ways to produce  $T_2$ . We minimize the squared loss between the network's prediction and the ground
- $_{26}$  truth symmetric differences.  $T_1$  is rendered in a "simulated hand drawing" style which we describe
- 27 next.

## 28 2 Simulating hand drawings

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- 29 We introduce noise into the LATEX rendering process by:
  - Rescaling the image intensity by a factor chosen uniformly at random from [0.5, 1.5]
  - Translating the image by  $\pm 3$  pixels chosen uniformly random
  - Rendering the LaTeX using the pencildraw style, which adds random perturbations to the paths drawn by LaTeX in a way designed to resemble a pencil.
    - Randomly perturbing the positions and sizes of primitive LATEX drawing commands

## 3 Likelihood surrogate for synthetic data

For synthetic data (e.g., LATEX output) it is relatively straightforward to engineer an adequate distance measure between images, because it is possible for the system to discover drawing commands that exactly match the pixels in the target image. We use:

$$-\log L(I_1|I_2) = \sum_{1 \le x \le 256} \sum_{1 \le y \le 256} |I_1[x, y] - I_2[x, y]| \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } I_1[x, y] > I_2[x, y] \\ \beta, & \text{if } I_1[x, y] < I_2[x, y] \\ 0, & \text{if } I_1[x, y] = I_2[x, y] \end{cases}$$
(3)

where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  are constants that control the trade-off between preferring to explain the pixels in the image (at the expense of having extraneous pixels) and not predicting pixels where they don't exist (at the expense of leaving some pixels unexplained). Because our sampling procedure incrementally constructs the scene part-by-part, we want  $\alpha > \beta$ . That is, it is preferable to leave some pixels unexplained; for once a particle in SMC adds a drawing primitive to its trace that is not actually in the latent scene, it can never recover from this error. In our experiments on synthetic data we used  $\alpha = 0.8$  and  $\beta = 0.04$ .

### 46 4 Generating synthetic training data

We generated synthetic training data for the neural network by sampling LATEX code according to the following generative process: First, the number of objects in the scene are sampled uniformly from 1 to 8. For each object we uniformly sample its identity (circle, rectangle, or line). Then we sample the parameters of the circles, than the parameters of the rectangles, and finally the parameters of the lines; this has the effect of teaching the network to first draw the circles in the scene, then the rectangles, and finally the lines. We furthermore put the circle (respectively, rectangle and line) drawing commands in order by left-to-right, bottom-to-top; thus the training data enforces a canonical order in which to draw any scene.

To make the training data look more like naturally occurring figures, we put a Chinese restaurant process prior? over the values of the X and Y coordinates that occur in the execution trace. This encourages reuse of coordinate values, and so produces training data that tends to have parts that are nicely aligned.

In the synthetic training data we excluded any sampled scenes that had overlapping drawing commands. As shown in the main paper, the network is then able to generalize to scenes with, for example, intersecting lines or lines that penetrate a rectangle.

When sampling the endpoints of a line, we biased the sampling process so that it would be more likely to start an endpoint along one of the sides of a rectangle or at the boundary of a circle. If n is the number of points either along the side of a rectangle or at the boundary of a circle, we would sample an arbitrary endpoint with probability  $\frac{2}{2+n}$  and sample one of the "attaching" endpoints with probability  $\frac{1}{2+n}$ .

See figure ?? for examples of the kinds of scenes that the network is trained on.

For readers wishing to generate their own synthetic training sets, we refer them to our source code at: http://www.redactedForAnonymousReview.com.

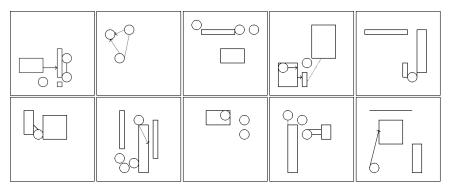


Figure 1: Example synthetic training data

## **The cost function for programs**

We seek the minimum cost program which evaluates to (produces the drawing primitives in) an execution trace T:

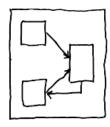
$$\operatorname{program}(T) = \underset{\substack{p \in \mathrm{DSL} \\ p \text{ evaluates to } T}}{\min} \operatorname{cost}(p) \tag{4}$$

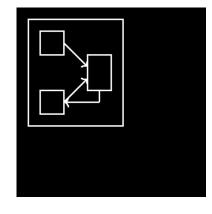
Programs incur a cost of 1 for each command (primitive drawing action, loop, or reflection). They incur a cost of  $\frac{1}{3}$  for each unique coefficient they use in a linear transformation beyond the first coefficient. This encourages reuse of coefficients, which leads to code that has translational symmetry; rather than provide a translational symmetry operator as we did with reflection, we modify what is effectively a prior over the space of program so that it tends to produce programs that have this symmetry.

Programs also incur a cost of 1 for having loops of constant length 2; otherwise there is often no pressure from the cost function to explain a repetition of length 2 as being a reflection rather a loop.

## 81 6 Full results on drawings data set

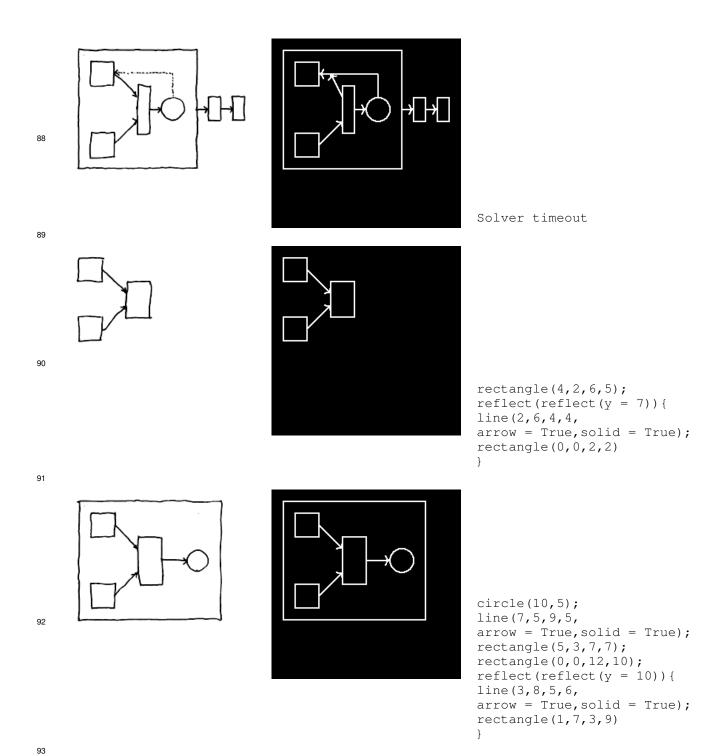
Below we show our full data set of drawings. The leftmost column is a hand drawing. The middle column is a rendering of the most likely trace discovered by the neurally guided SMC sampling scheme. The rightmost column is the program we synthesized from a ground truth execution trace of the drawing.

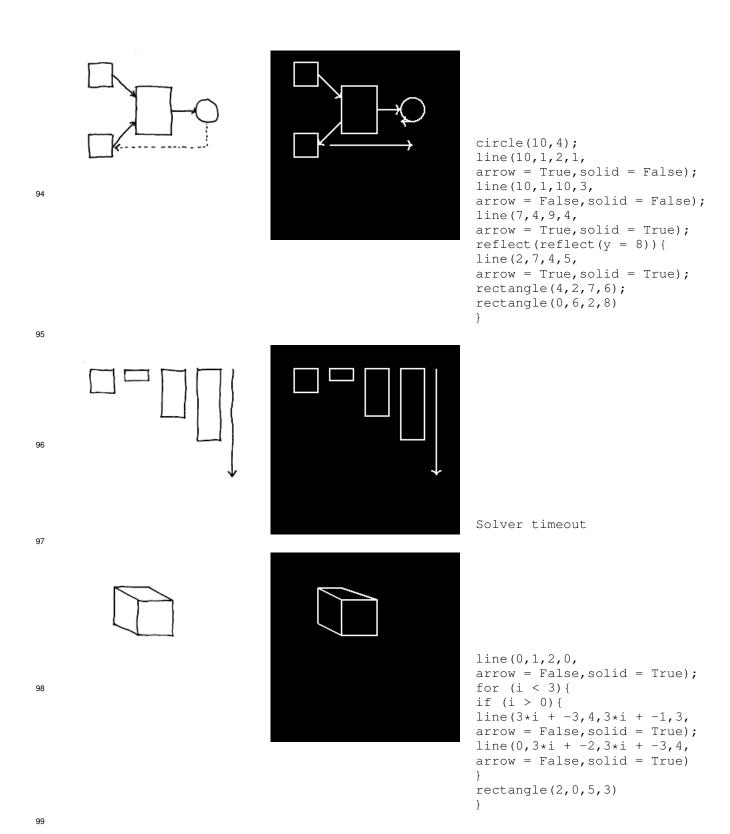


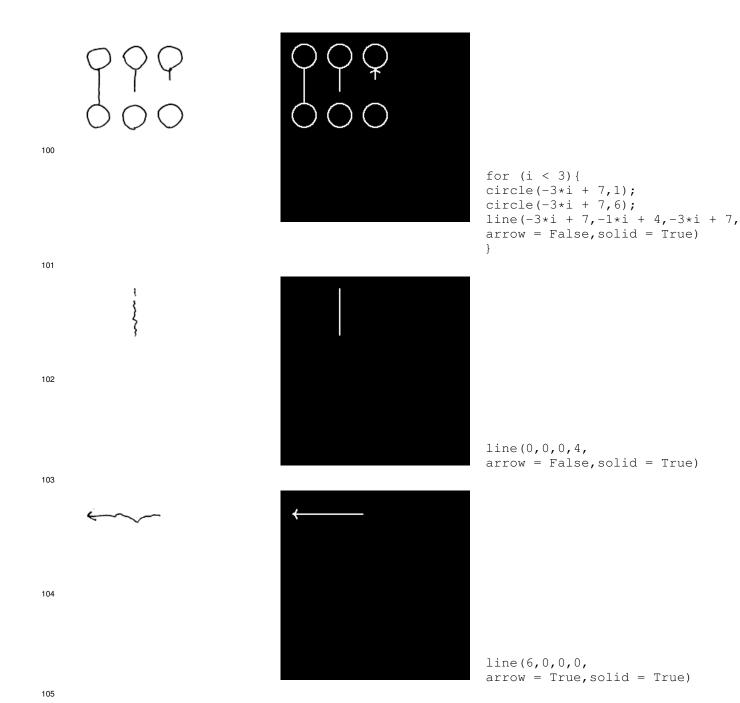


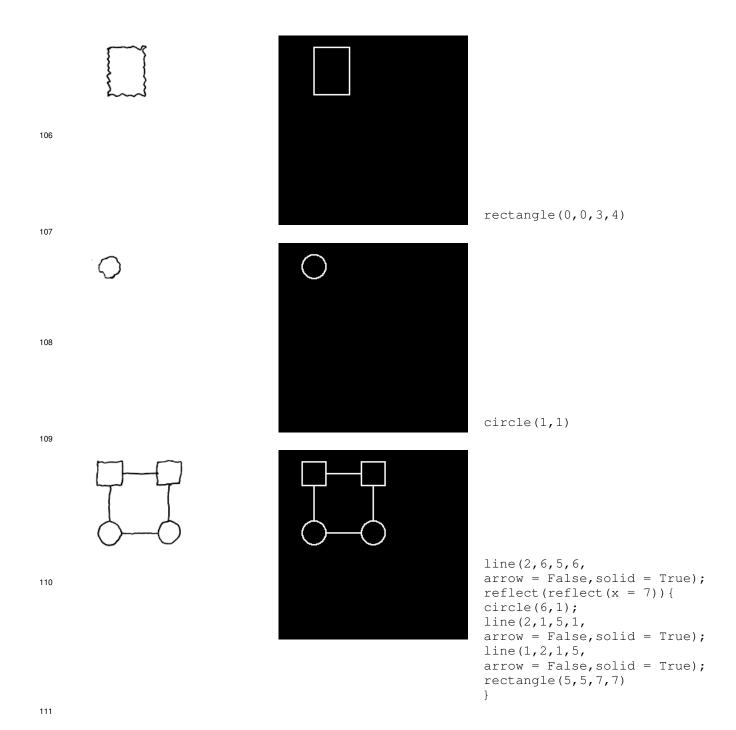
line(6,2,6,3,
arrow = False,solid = True);
line(6,2,3,2,
arrow = True,solid = True);
reflect(reflect(y = 9)) {
line(3,2,5,4,
arrow = True,solid = True);
rectangle(0,0,8,9);
rectangle(5,3,7,6);
rectangle(1,1,3,3)
}

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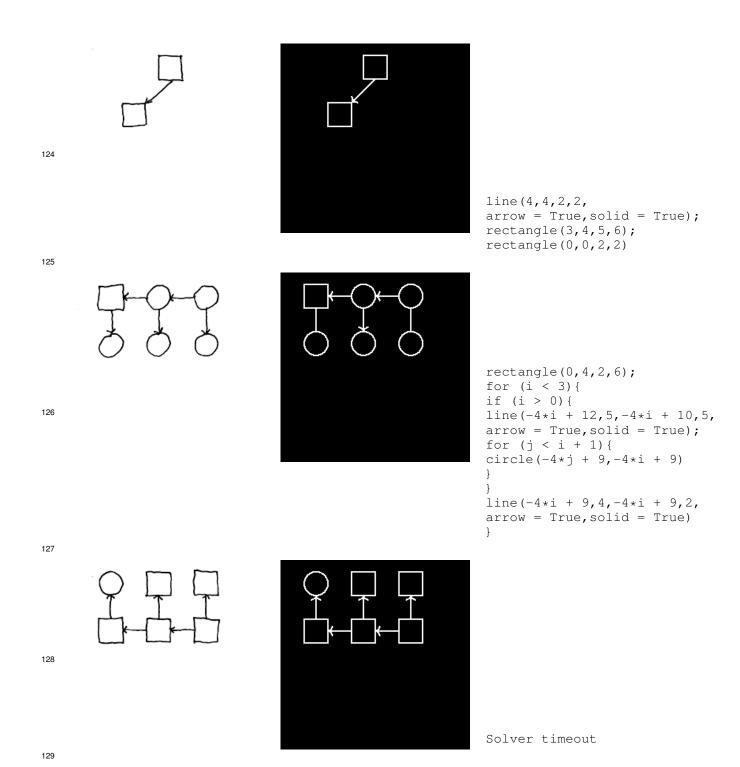


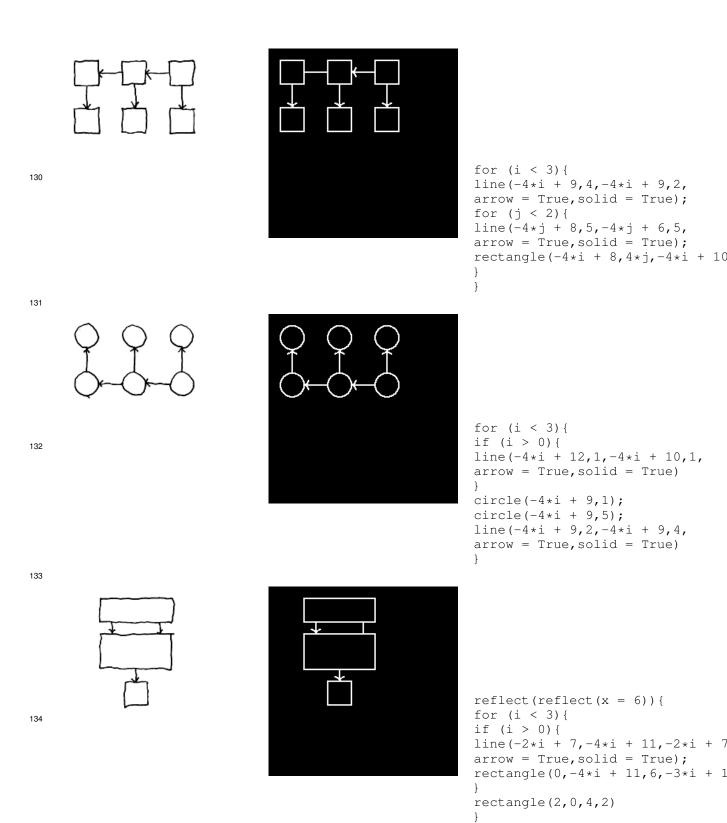




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                                                        line (2, 1, 4, 1,
                                                        arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                        line(3, 2, 1, 2,
                                                        arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                        line(5, 0, 3, 0,
                                                        arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                        line(0,3,2,3,
                                                        arrow = True, solid = True)
113
        114
                                                        for (i < 4) {
                                                        if (i > 0) {
                                                        rectangle(-2*i + 6,2*i + -2,-2*i
                                                        rectangle (-2*i + 6, 2*i, -2*i + 7,
115
116
                                                        line(0,3,2,3,
                                                        arrow = False, solid = False);
                                                        line(2,1,4,1,
                                                        arrow = False, solid = False);
                                                        line(1,2,3,2,
                                                        arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                        line(3, 0, 5, 0,
                                                        arrow = False, solid = True)
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for (i < 4) {
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   if (i > 0) {
118
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   circle(-2 \times i + 7, 3 \times i + -2);
line(-2 \times i + 9, 3 \times i, -2 \times i + 10, 3 \times i
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   line (-2*i + 8, 3*i + -2, -2*i + 9,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   arrow = False, solid = True)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   circle(-2*i + 9, 3*i + 1)
119
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   for (i < 4) {
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   if (i > 0) {
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   line(2*i + 1, -3*i + 12, 2*i, -3*i
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   line (2 * i + 1, -3 * i + 12, 2 * i + 2, -3 * i + 12, 2 * i + 2, -3 * i + 2,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    rectangle (2*i + -2, -3*i + 9, 2*i,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   rectangle (2*i + 2, -3*i + 9, 2*i +
121
122
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    circle(5,1);
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    for (i < 3) {
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   if (i > 0) {
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    circle(7,2*i + -1);
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   circle(i + 2, 2*i + 1)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   circle(1,6)
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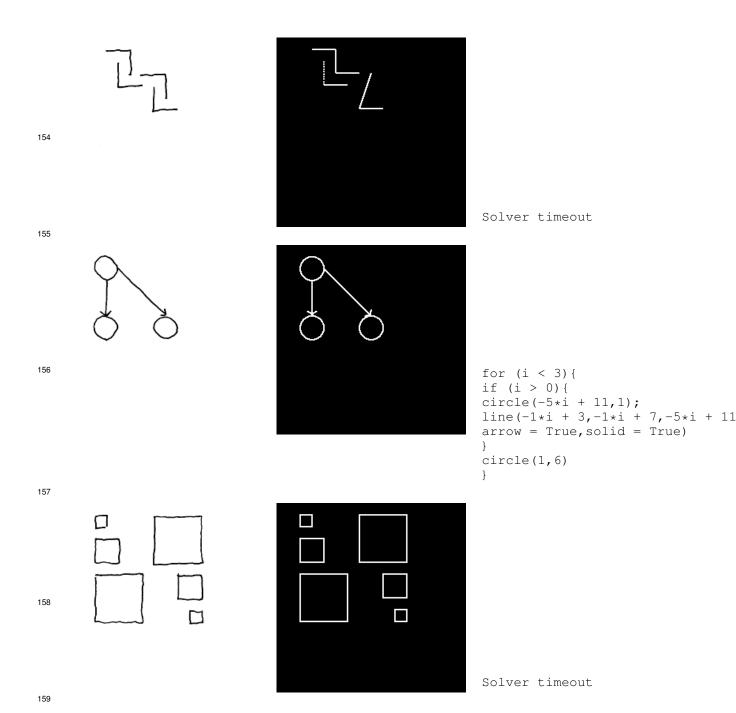


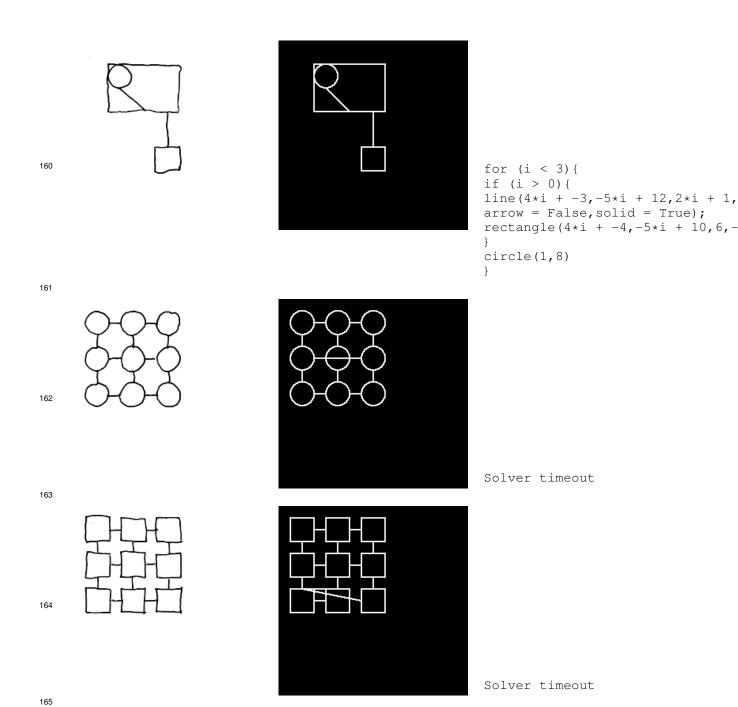
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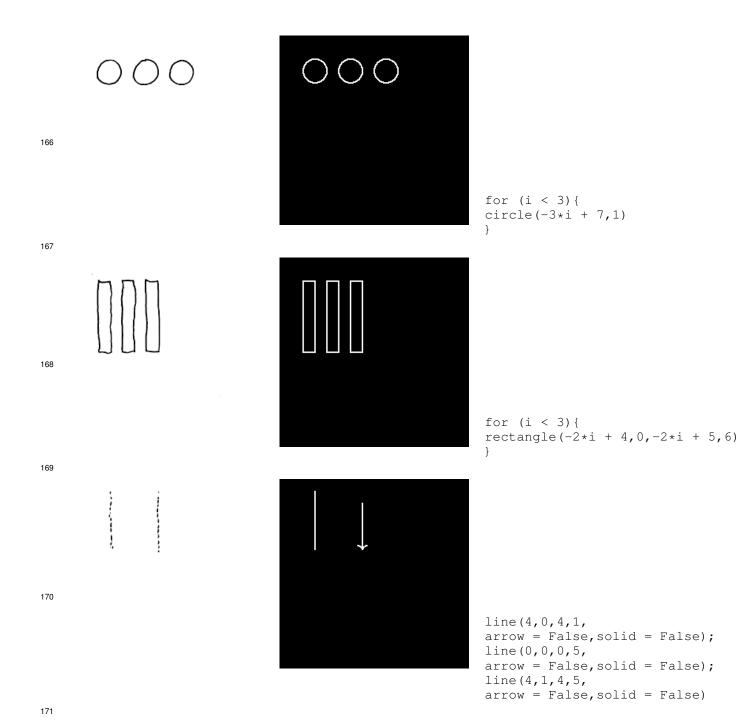
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136
                                                            for (i < 3){
                                                            if (i > 0) {
                                                            line(3*i,1,3*i + -1,1,
                                                            arrow = True, solid = True)
                                                            rectangle(3*i,0,3*i + 2,2)
137
                                                            line(1,3,1,4,
138
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                            for (i < 3) {
                                                            if (i > 0) {
                                                            line(1, -5*i + 13, 1, -4*i + 10,
                                                            arrow = True, solid = True)
                                                            circle(1, -4 * i + 9)
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                                                            reflect(reflect(x = 2)){
                                                            line(0,1,1,2,
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                            line(1,0,2,1,
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True)
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142
                                                                line(0,0,0,2,
                                                                arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                                line(0,2,2,2,
                                                                arrow = False, solid = True)
143
144
                                                                 for (i < 3) {
                                                                line(i, -1*i + 6, 2*i + 2, -1*i + 6
                                                                arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                                line(i, -2*i + 4, i, -1*i + 6,
                                                                arrow = False, solid = True)
145
146
                                                                 for (i < 3) {
                                                                if (i > 0) {
                                                                circle(1, -3*i + 7);
                                                                circle(5,-2*i + 6);
rectangle(0,-3*i + 6,2,-3*i + 8)
                                                                rectangle(4,1,6,5)
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148
                                                              for (i < 3) {
                                                             rectangle (3*i, -2*i + 4, 3*i + 2, 6)
                                                              for (j < i + 1) {
                                                             circle(3*i + 1, -2*j + 5)
                                                             }
149
150
                                                             circle(5,5);
                                                             line(2, 5, 4, 5,
                                                             arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                             rectangle(0,0,5,3);
                                                             rectangle(0,4,2,6)
151
152
                                                             line(0,0,6,0,
                                                             arrow = False, solid = False);
                                                             reflect(reflect(x = 6)){
                                                             line(6,0,6,3,
                                                             arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                             line(0, 3, 6, 3,
                                                             arrow = False, solid = False)
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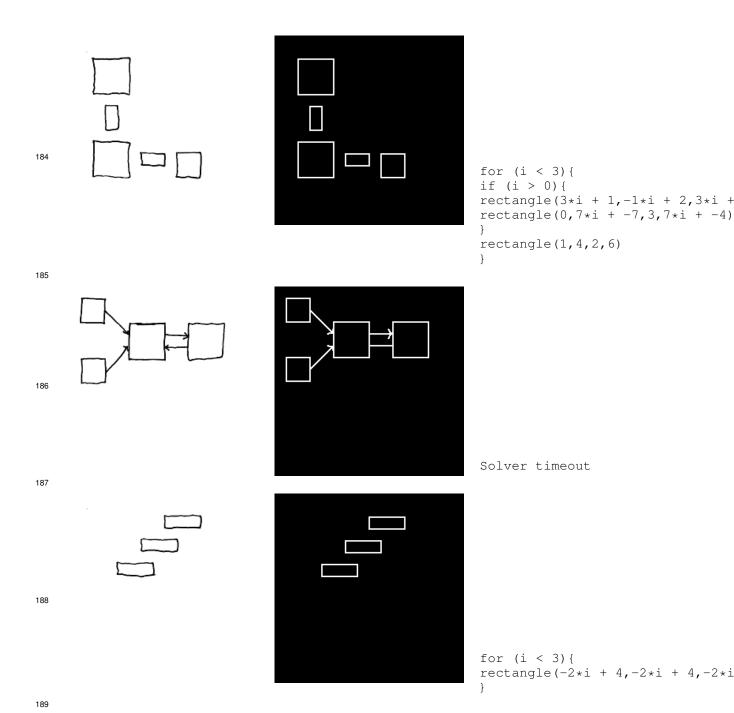


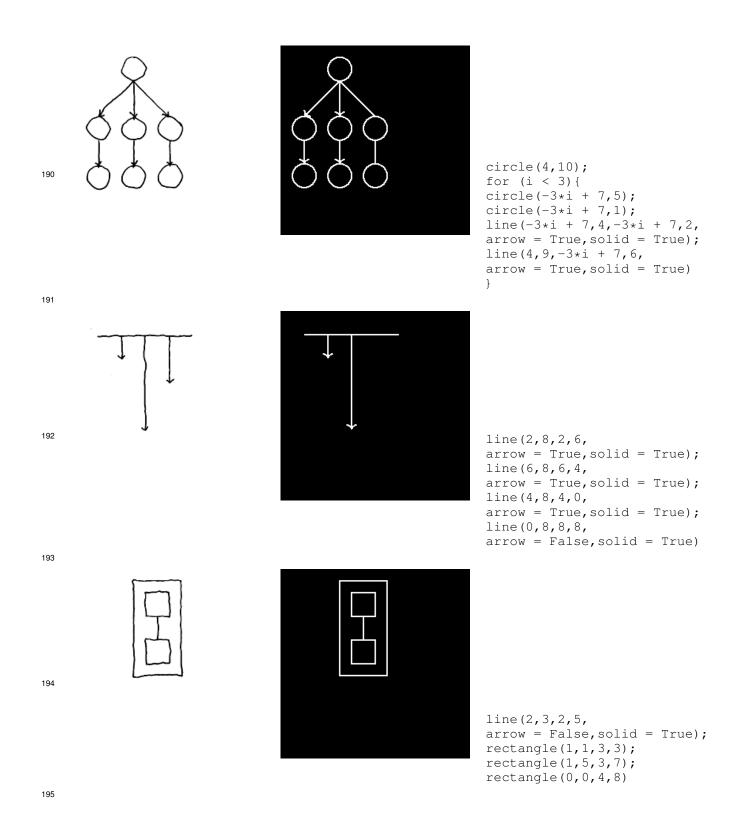




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172
                                                         line(4,0,4,5,
                                                         arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                         line(0,0,0,5,
                                                         arrow = False, solid = True)
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174
                                                         reflect(reflect(x = 12)){
                                                         circle(4,1);
                                                         line(9,1,10,1,
                                                         arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                         rectangle(0,0,2,2)
175
                                                         rectangle(0,4,4,8);
176
                                                         reflect(reflect(y = 12)){
                                                         circle(7,6);
                                                         line(2,2,2,4,
                                                         arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                         arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                         rectangle(1,10,3,12)
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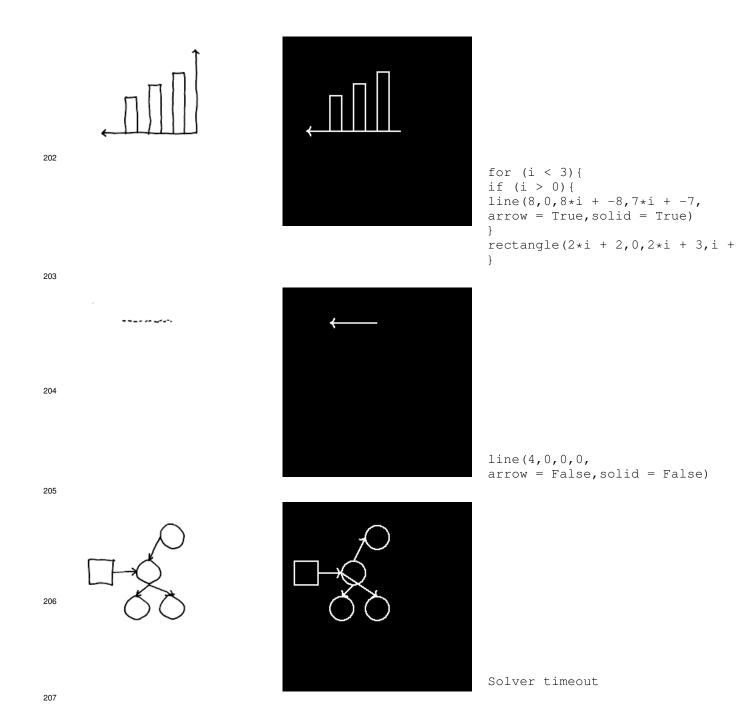
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reflect(reflect(y = 9)){
178
                                                            line(3, 8, 6, 8,
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                            reflect(reflect(x = 9)){
                                                            circle(1,8);
                                                            line(1, 3, 1, 6,
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True)
179
180
                                                            reflect(reflect(y = 11)){
                                                            rectangle(4,9,7,10);
                                                            reflect(reflect(x = 11)){
                                                            rectangle(1,4,2,7);
                                                            rectangle(8,8,11,11)
181
182
                                                            for (i < 4) {
                                                            line(i,-1*i + 5,i + 2,-1*i + 5,
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                            line(i + 2, -1*i + 3, i + 4, -1*i +
                                                            arrow = False, solid = True)
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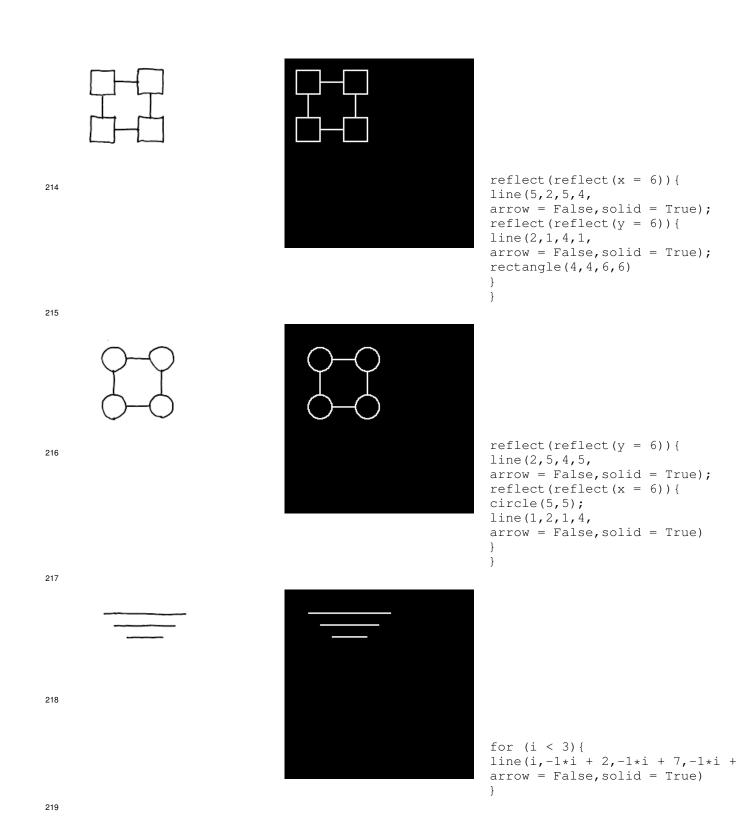


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196
                                                                                    circle(1,5);
                                                                                    line(1,4,1,2,
arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                                                    rectangle(0,0,2,2)
197
198
                                                                                    Solver timeout
199
200
                                                                                    for (i < 3) {
for (j < 3) {
  circle(-4*j + 9, -3*i + 7)
```

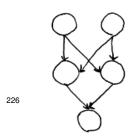
}

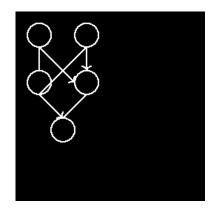


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208
                                                                circle(2,1);
circle(6,1);
                                                                line(5, 1, 3, 1,
                                                                 arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                                 rectangle(0,0,7,2)
209
210
                                                                 rectangle(5,0,8,3);
                                                                 rectangle(2,1,4,3);
                                                                 rectangle(0,2,1,3)
211
212
                                                                 for (i < 3) {
                                                                rectangle(-1*i + 2,-1*i + 2,i +
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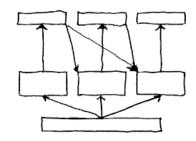


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220
                                                           line(1, 4, 5, 0,
                                                           arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                           line(1, 5, 5, 1,
                                                           arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                           rectangle(5,0,6,1);
                                                           rectangle(0,4,1,5)
221
     222
                                                           for (i < 3) {
                                                           circle(4*i + 1,1);
                                                           rectangle (4*i, 0, 4*i + 2, 2)
223
224
                                                           reflect(reflect(x = 5)){
                                                           circle(1,1);
                                                           line (4, 4, 4, 2,
                                                           arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                           rectangle(0,4,5,6)
```

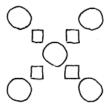




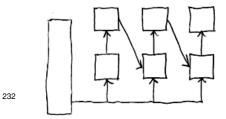
Solver timeout



Sampled no finished traces. Solver timeout



```
reflect(reflect(y = 8)) {
  for (i < 3) {
   if (i > 0) {
    rectangle(3*i + -1,2,3*i,3)
  }
  circle(3*i + 1,3*i + 1)
  }
}
```



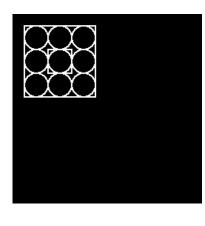
# Sampled no finished traces.

Solver timeout

}

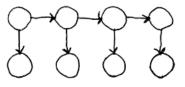


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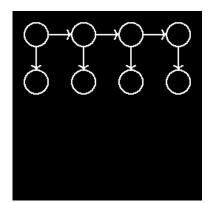


```
for (i < 3) {
  if (i > 0) {
  rectangle(-2*i + 4,-2*i + 4,2*i
  }
  for (j < 3) {
  circle(-2*i + 5,2*j + 1)
}</pre>
```

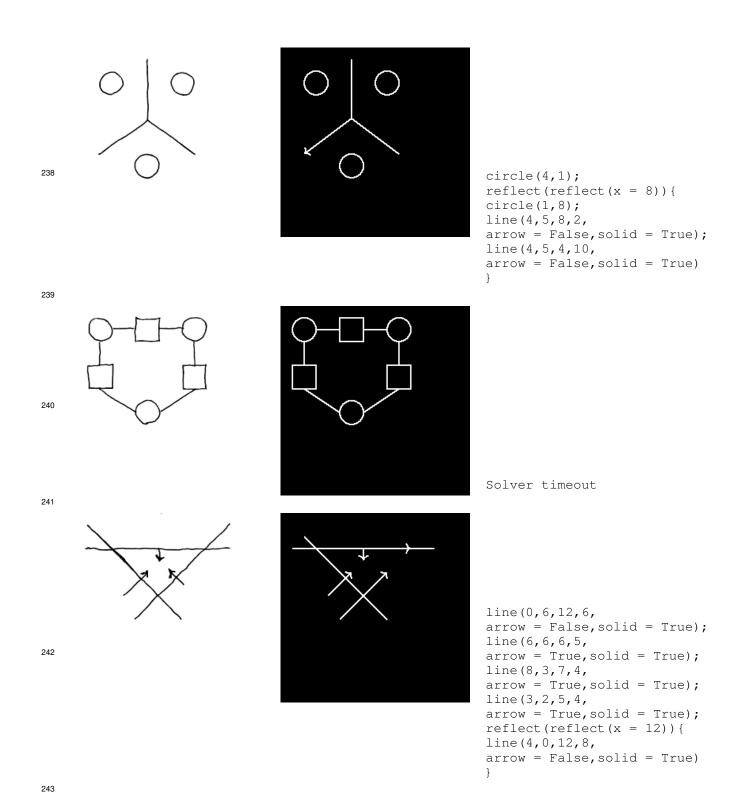
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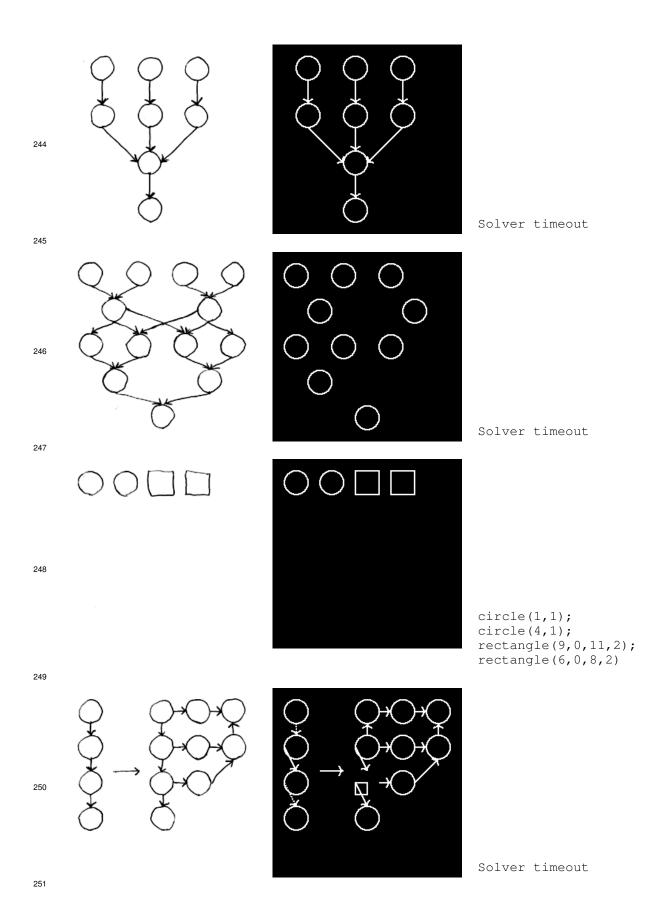


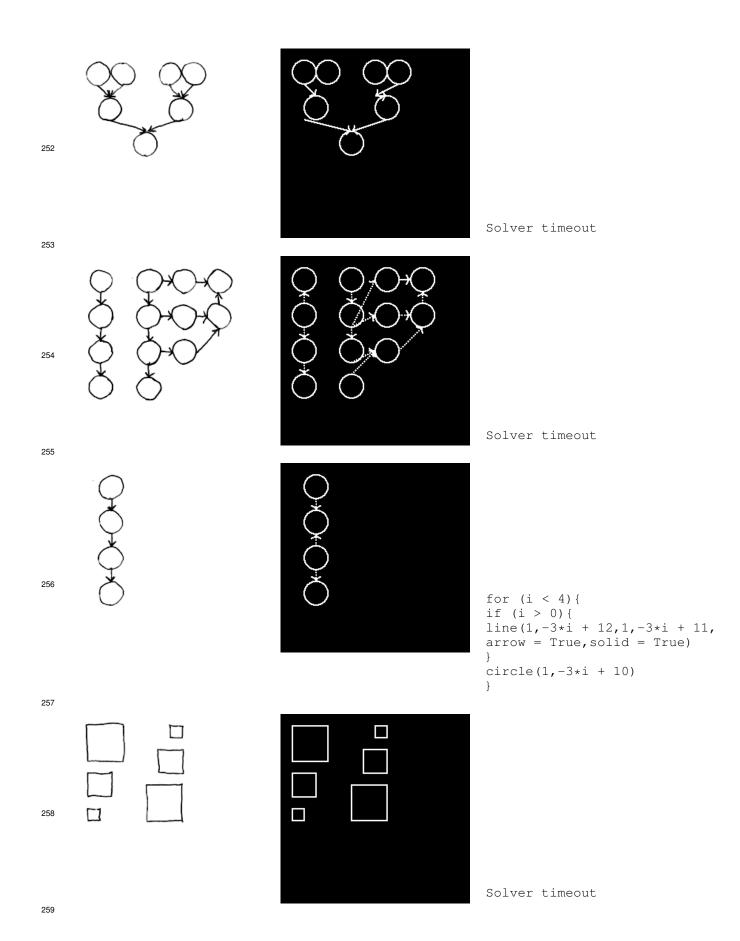
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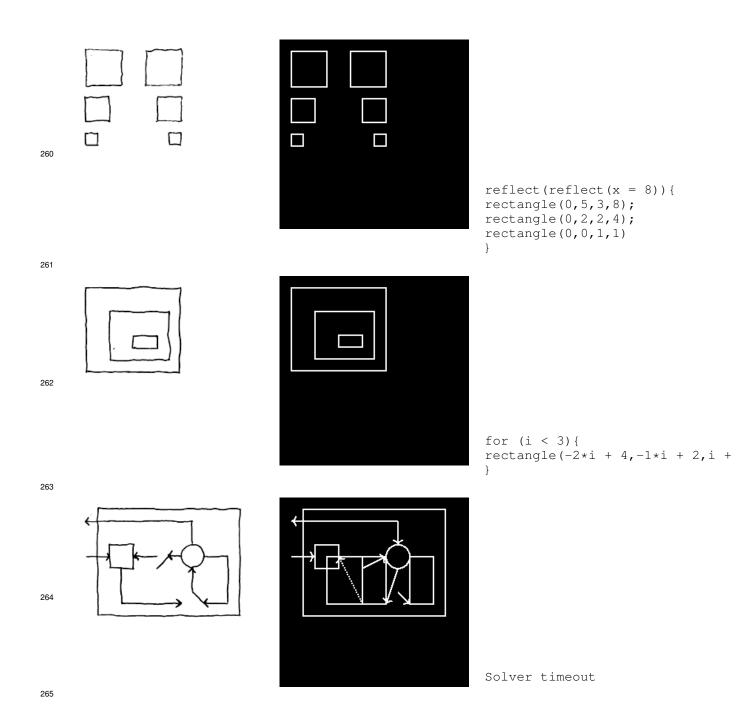


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for (i < 4) {
  line(-4*i + 13,4,-4*i + 13,2,
  arrow = True, solid = True);
  for (j < 3) {
  if (j > 0) {
    circle(-4*i + 13,4*j + -3)
  }
  line(-4*j + 10,5,-4*j + 12,5,
  arrow = True, solid = True)
  }
}
```

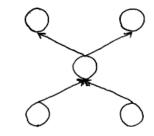


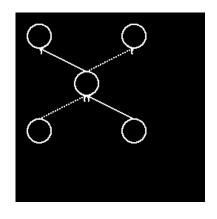






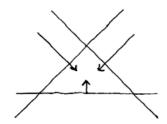
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line(6, 6, 6, 3,
                                                           arrow = True, solid = True);
                                                           for (i < 3) {
266
                                                           if (i > 0) {
                                                           circle(-5*i + 16,7);
                                                           circle (-5*i + 11, 5*i + -3);
                                                           line(-5*i + 15,7,-5*i + 12,7,
                                                           arrow = True, solid = True)
                                                           }
                                                           rectangle (4,0,8,9)
267
268
                                                           reflect(reflect(x = 5)){
                                                           reflect(reflect(y = 5)){
                                                           line(5, 3, 5, 5,
                                                           arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                           arrow = False, solid = True)
269
270
                                                           reflect(reflect(x = 14)){
                                                           for (i < 3) {
                                                           circle(9, -4*i + 9);
                                                           line(10, -4*i + 9, 12, -4*i + 9,
                                                           arrow = False, solid = True);
                                                           rectangle(0,-4*i + 8,2,-4*i + 10
                                                           }
```





```
reflect(reflect(x = 10)) {
  for (i < 3) {
   if (i > 0) {
    line(4*i + -3, 4*i + -2, 4*i + 1, 4
    arrow = True, solid = True)
  }
  circle(4*i + 1, 4*i + 1)
}
}
```

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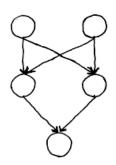
Sampled no finished traces.

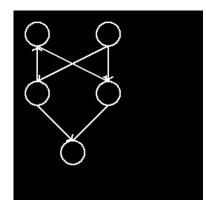
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arrow = False, solid = True);
line(6,2,6,3,
arrow = True, solid = True);
reflect(reflect(x = 12)){
line(0,0,9,9,
arrow = False, solid = True);
line(10,7,7,4,
arrow = True, solid = True)
}
```

line(0, 2, 12, 2,

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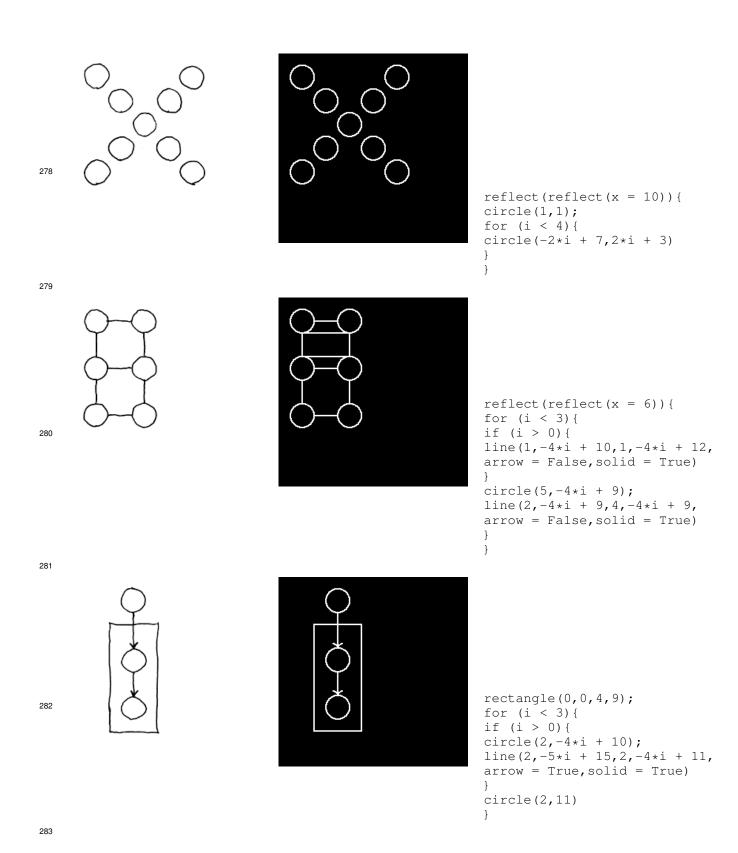
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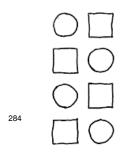


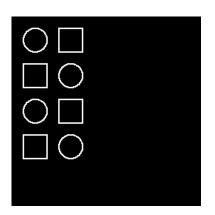


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reflect(reflect(x = 8)) {
  circle(4,1);
  for (i < 3) {
   if (i > 0) {
    circle(7,-5*i + 16);
   line(-6*i + 13,10,7,7,
   arrow = True, solid = True)
  }
  line(1,5,4,2,
  arrow = True, solid = True)
}
}
```

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for (i < 2) {
  circle(4,-6*i + 7);
  circle(1,-6*i + 10);
  rectangle(0,-6*i + 6,2,-6*i + 8)
  rectangle(3,-6*i + 9,5,-6*i + 11)
}</pre>
```