

Approximation Algorithms for the Maximum Leaf Spanning Tree Problem on Acyclic Digraphs

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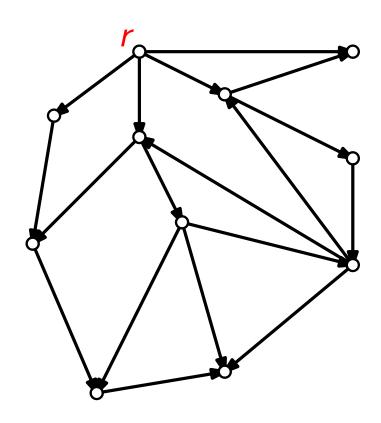
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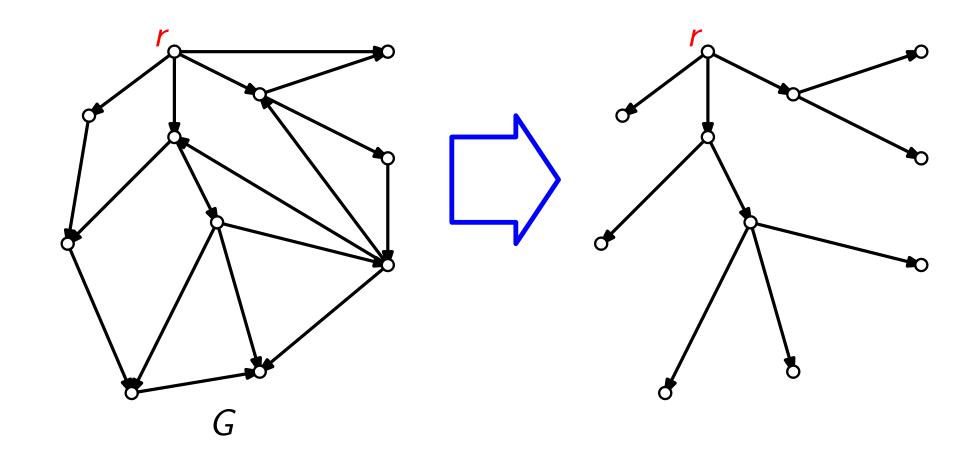
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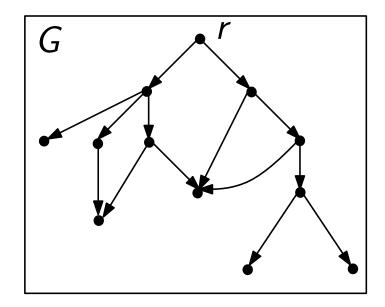
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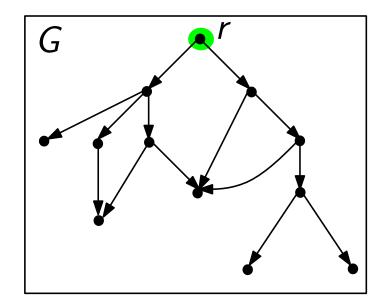
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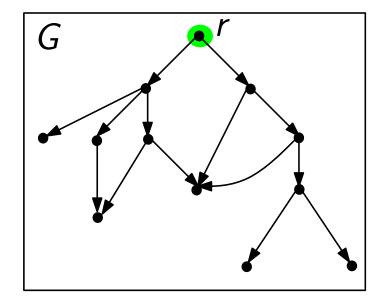
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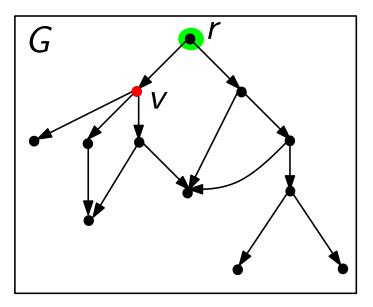
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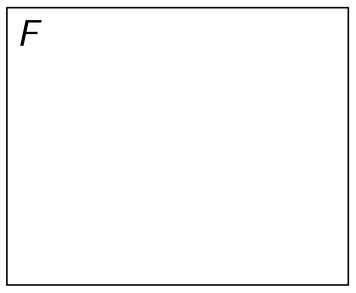


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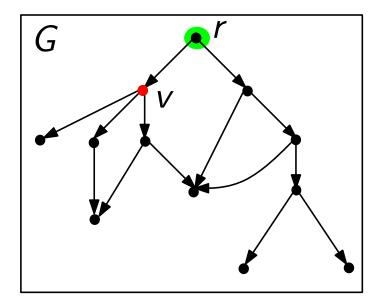
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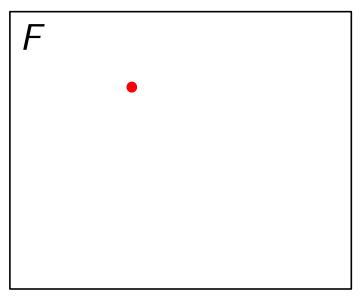




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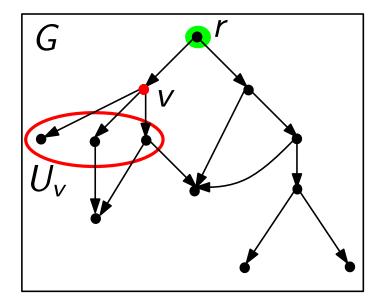
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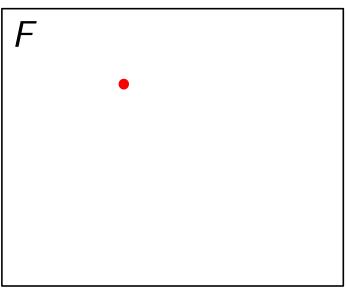




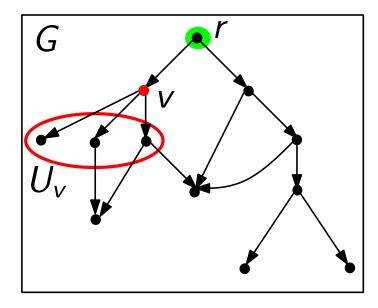
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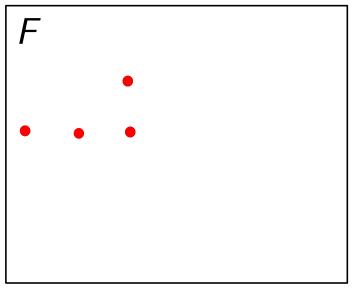
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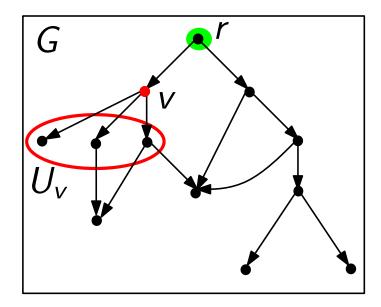


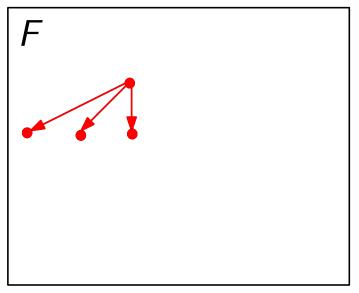


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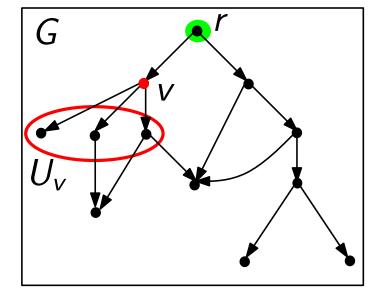


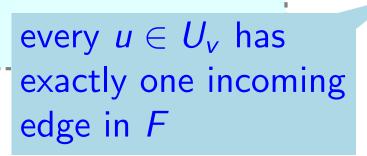


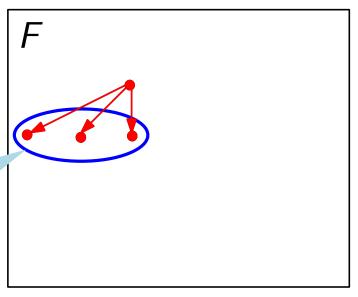
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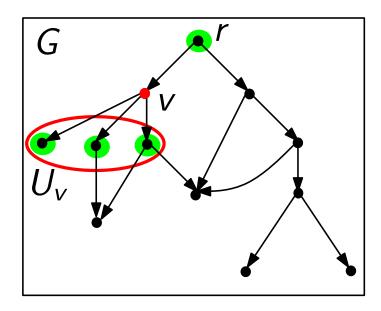
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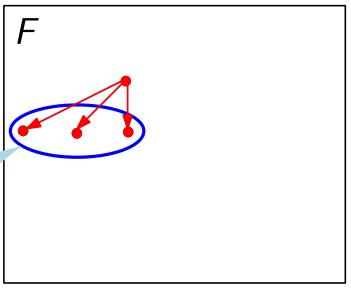


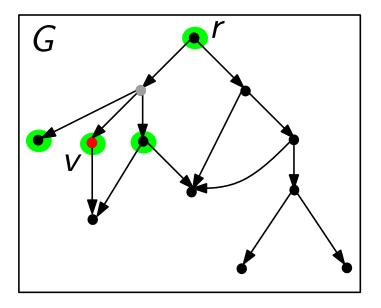


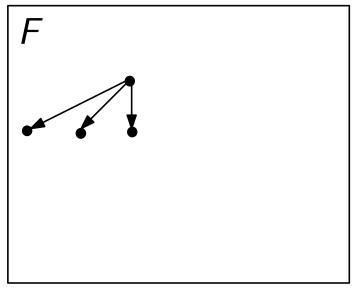


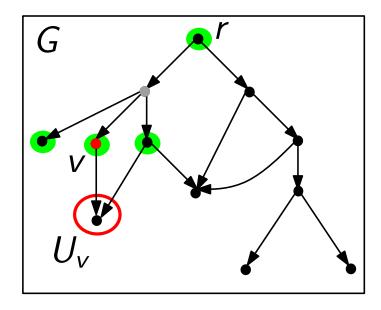
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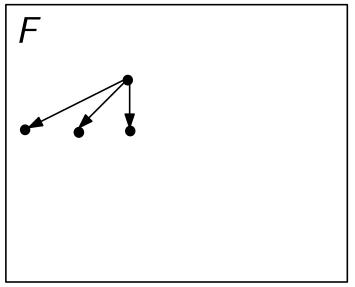


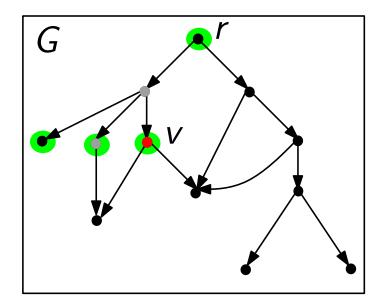


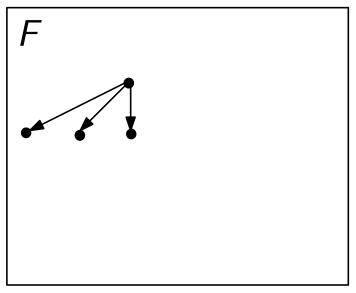






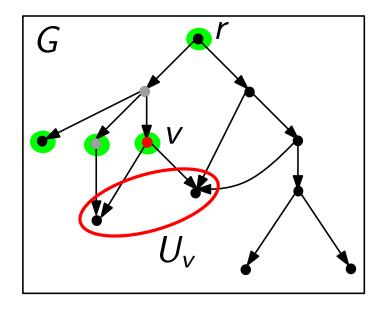


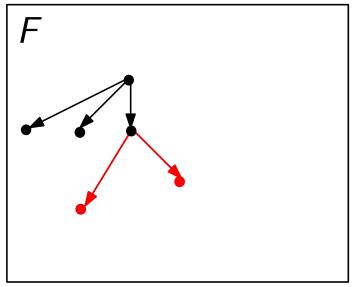


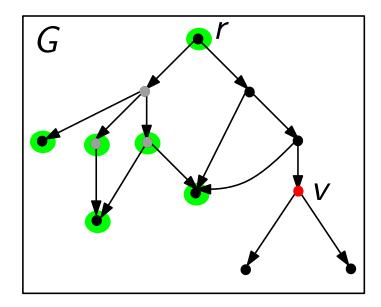


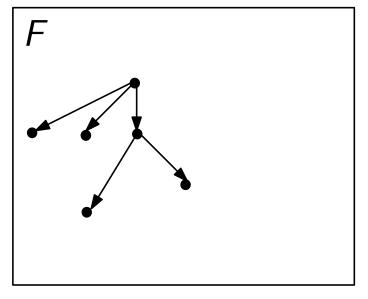
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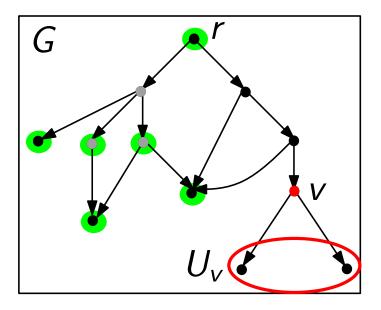
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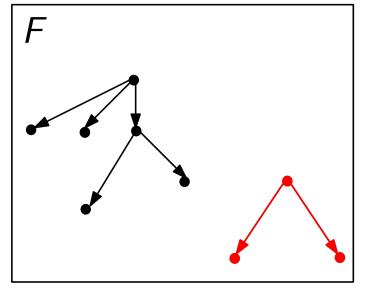






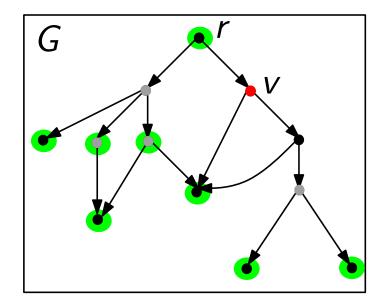


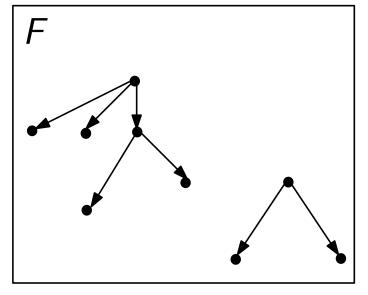


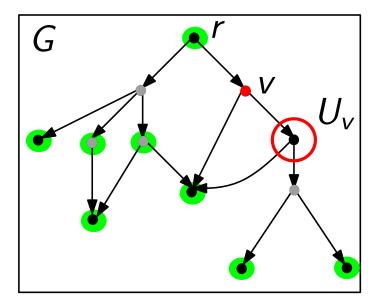


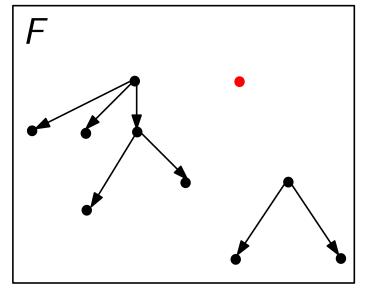
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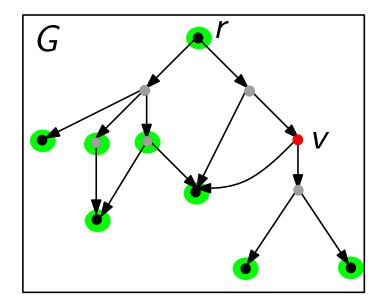
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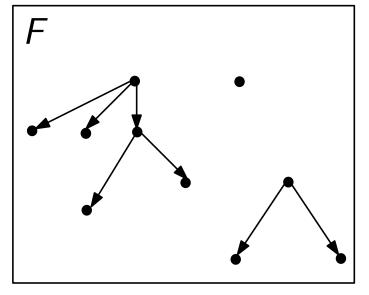


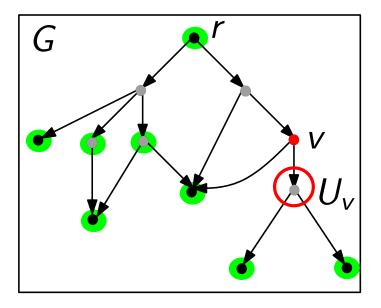


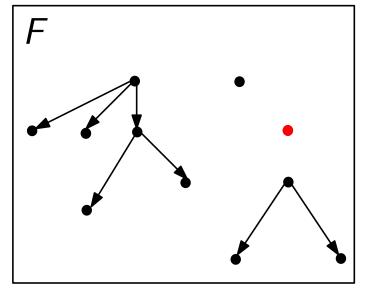


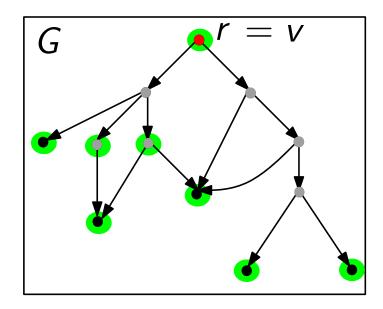


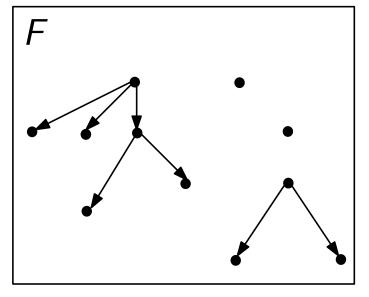






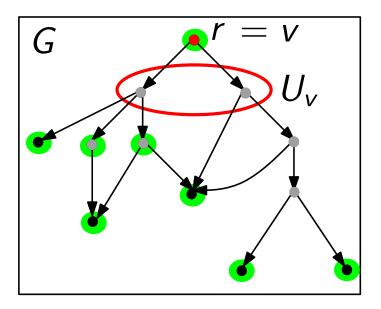


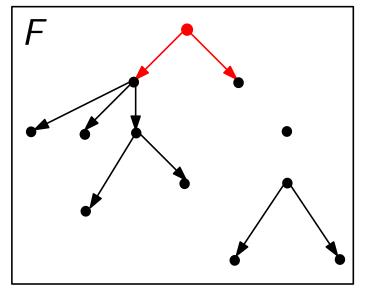




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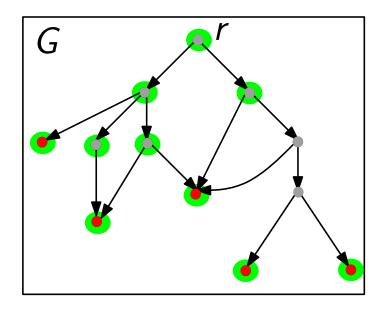
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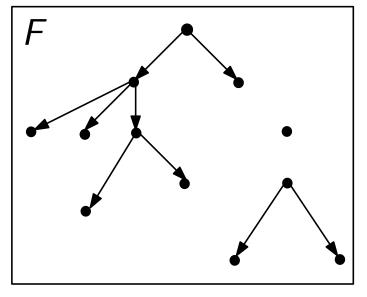




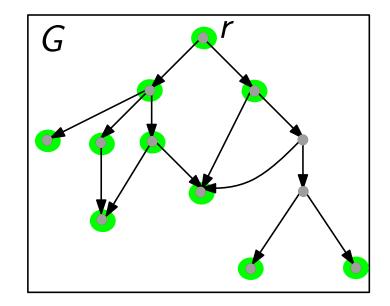
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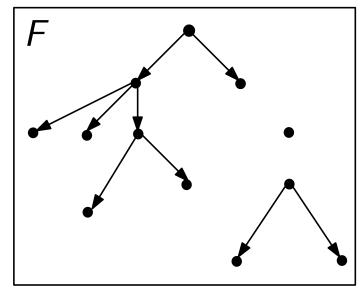
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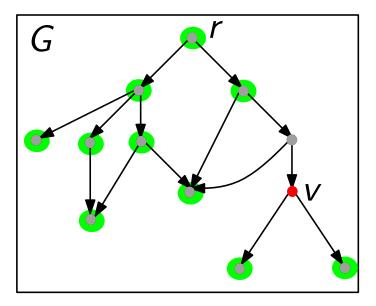


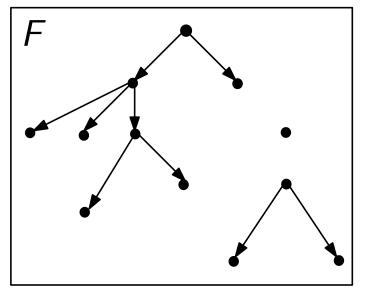
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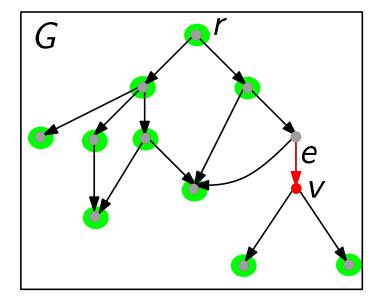


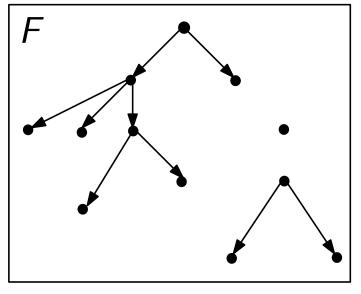
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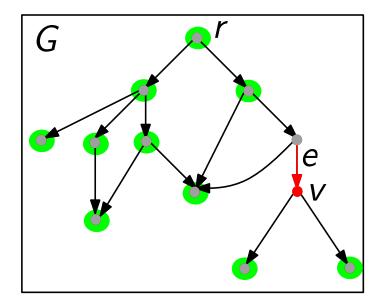


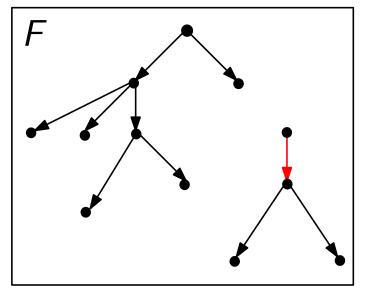
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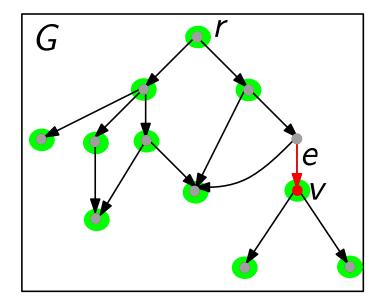


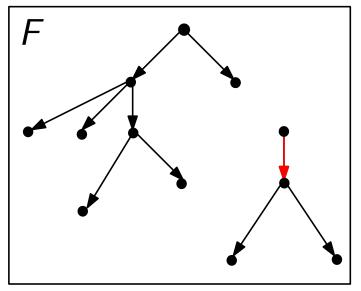
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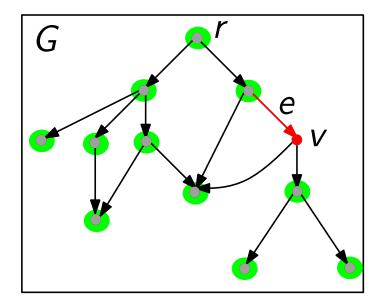


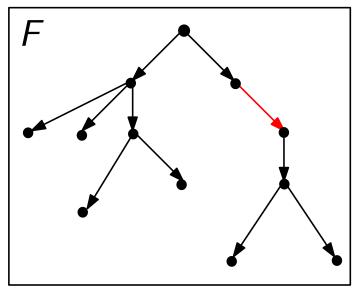
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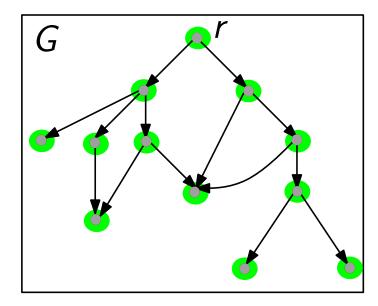


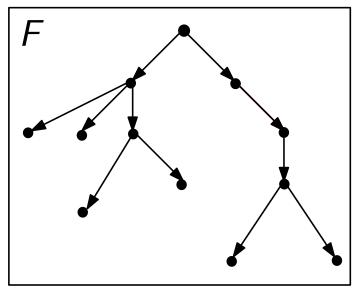
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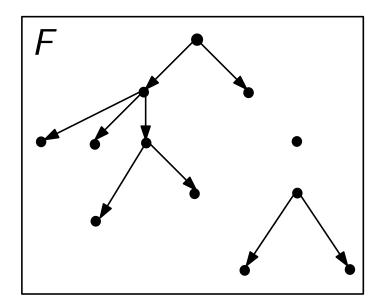
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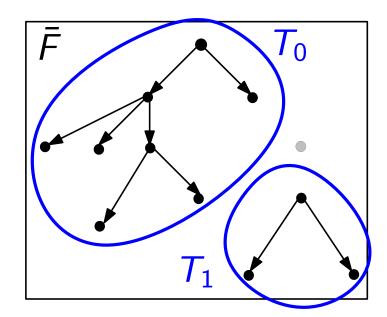
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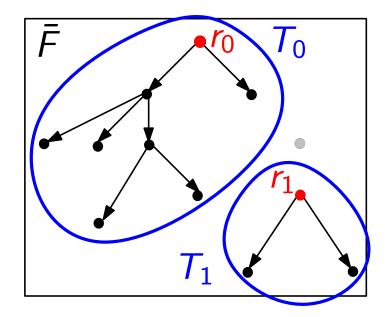
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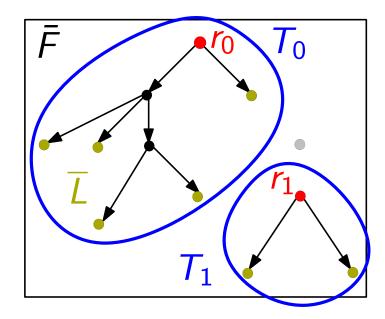
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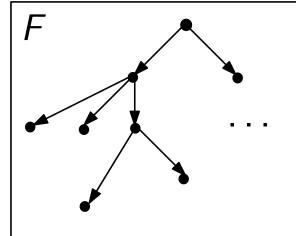
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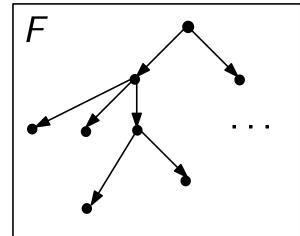


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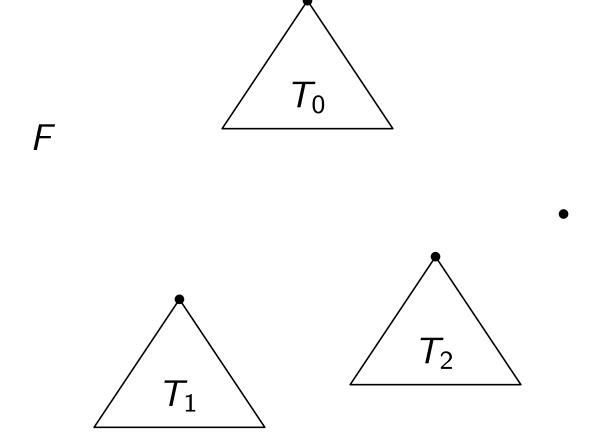
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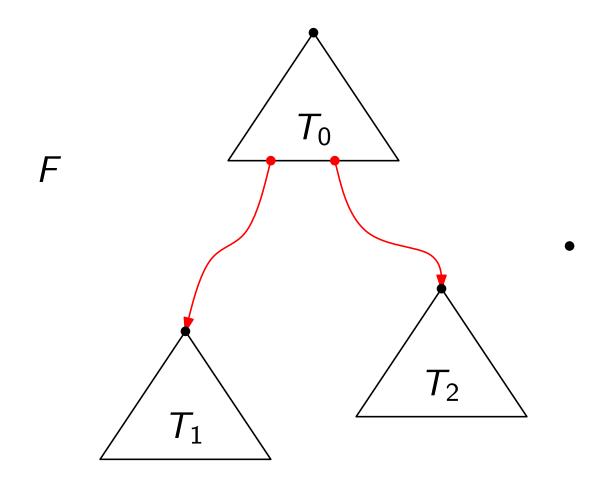
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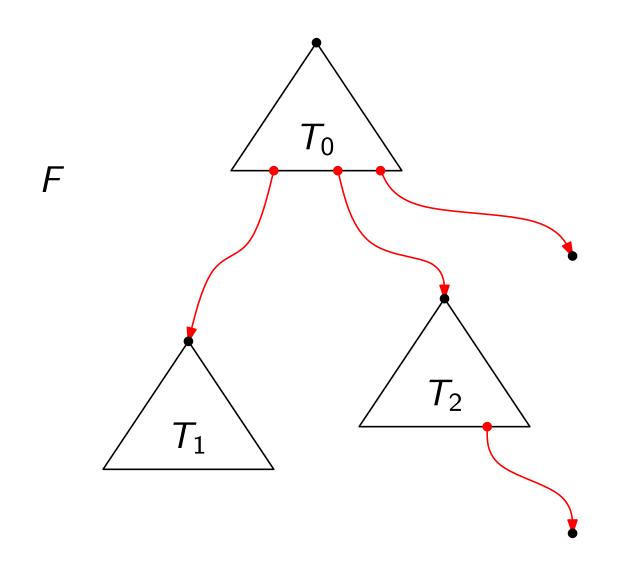
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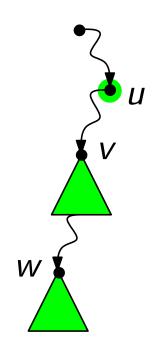
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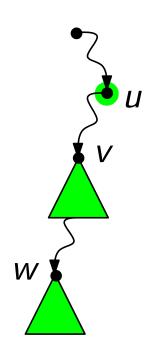
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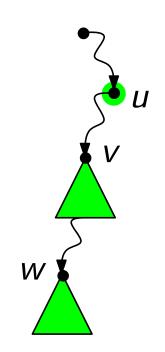
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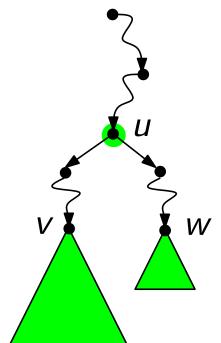
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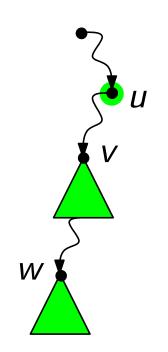
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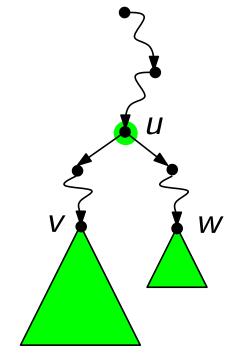
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