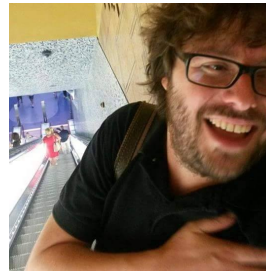
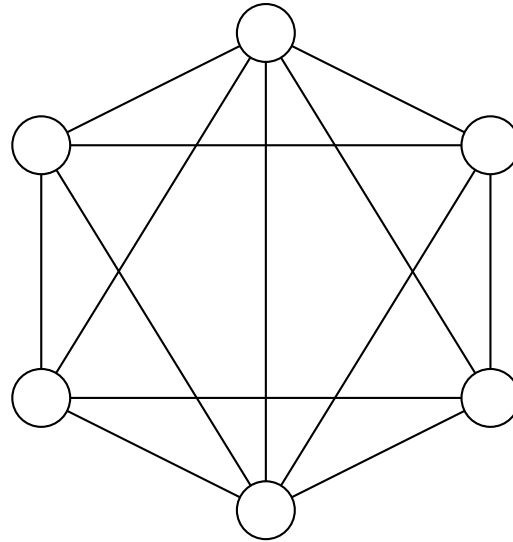


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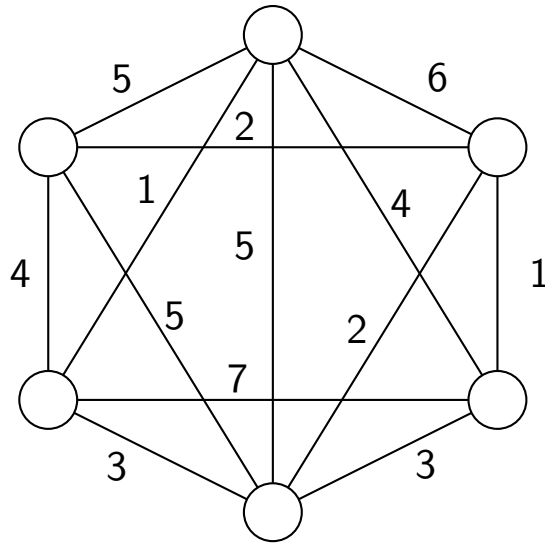


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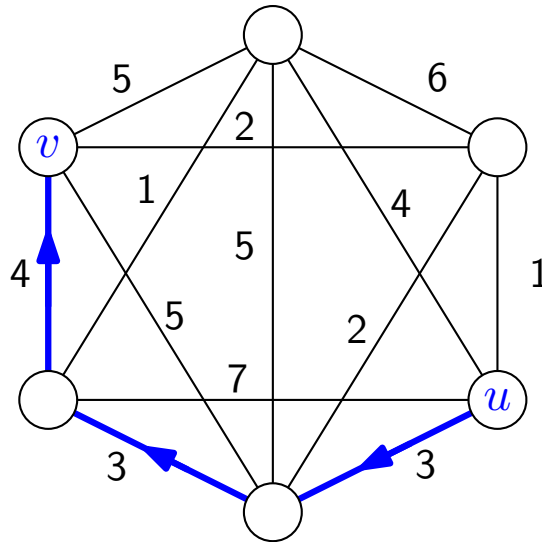
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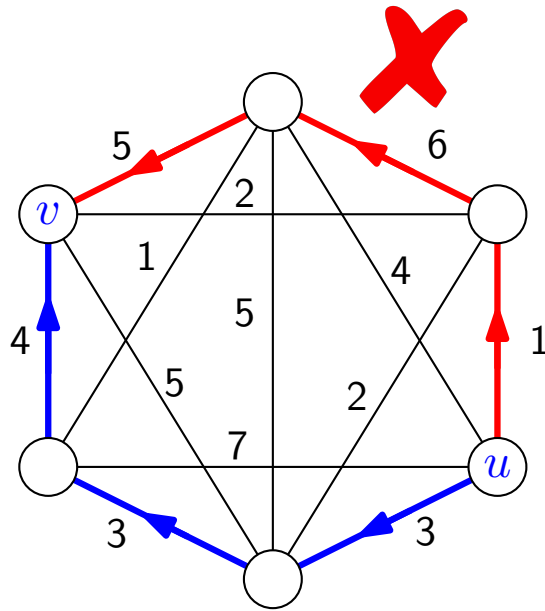


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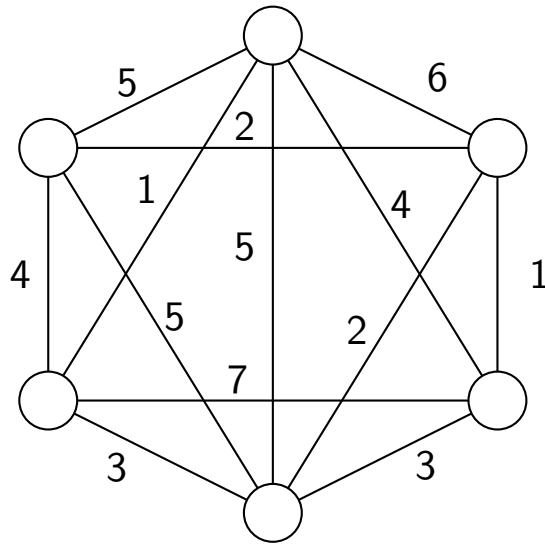
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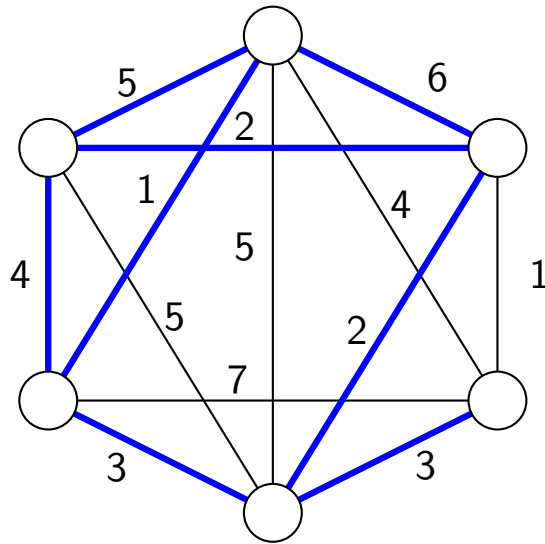
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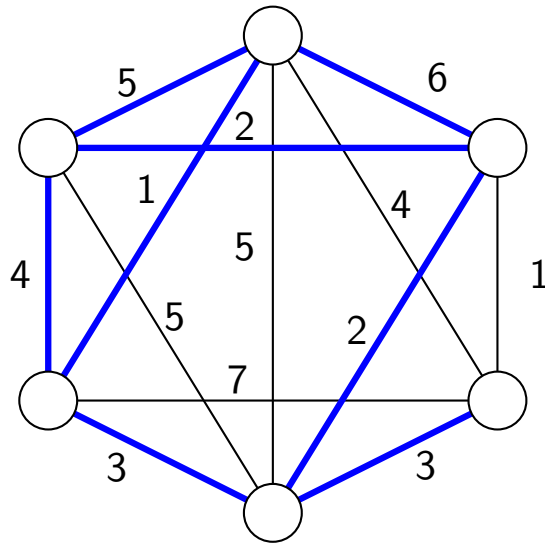
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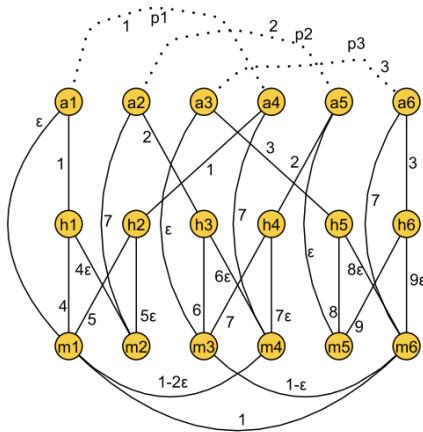
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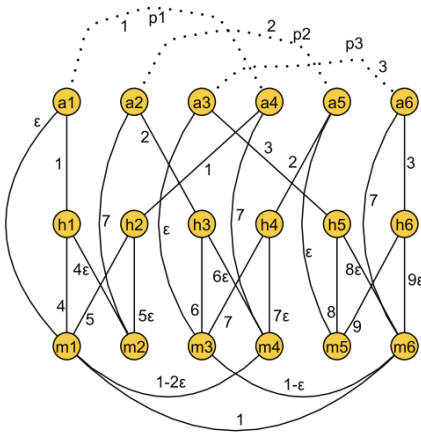
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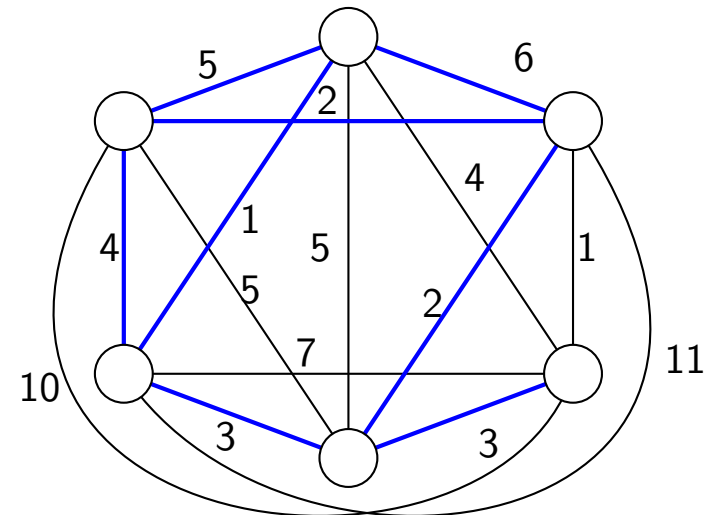
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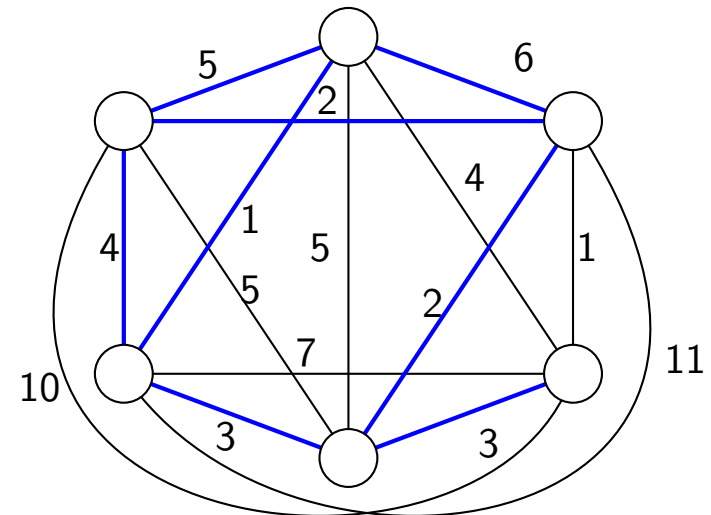
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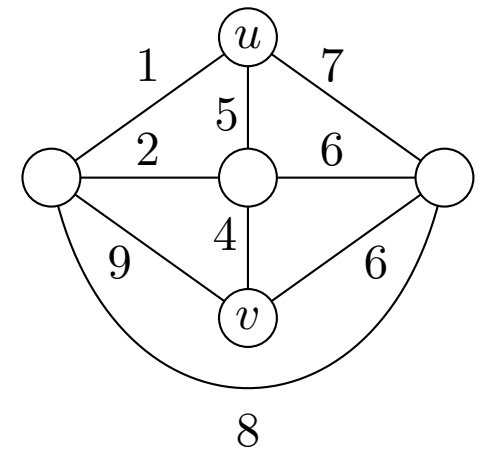
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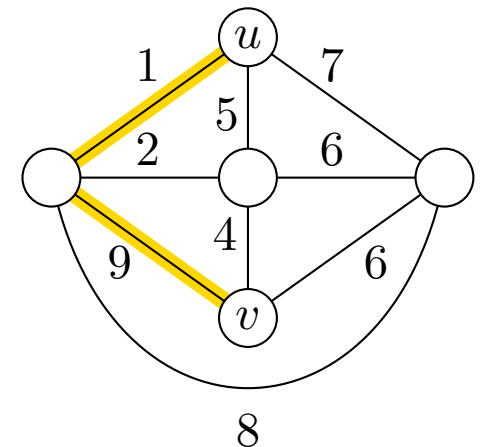
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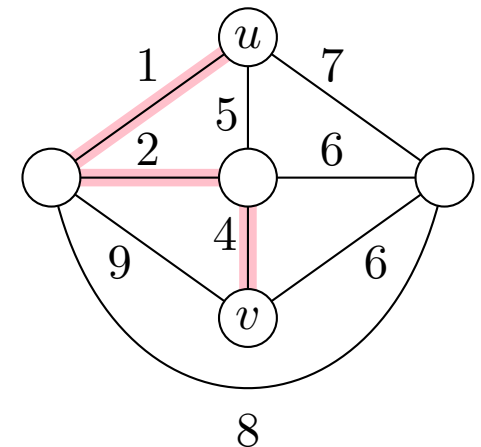
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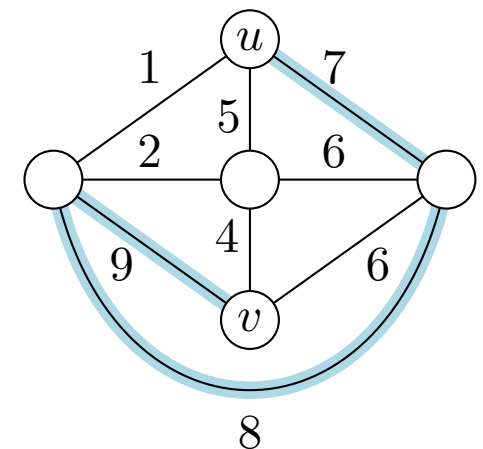
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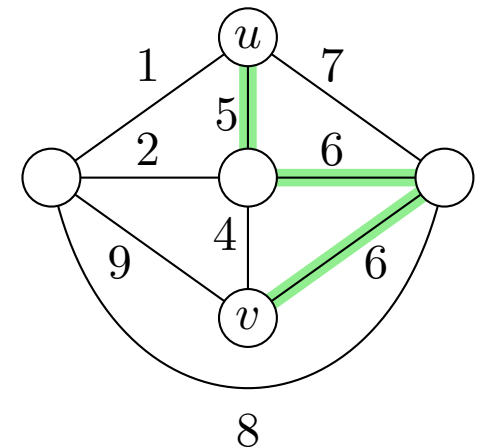
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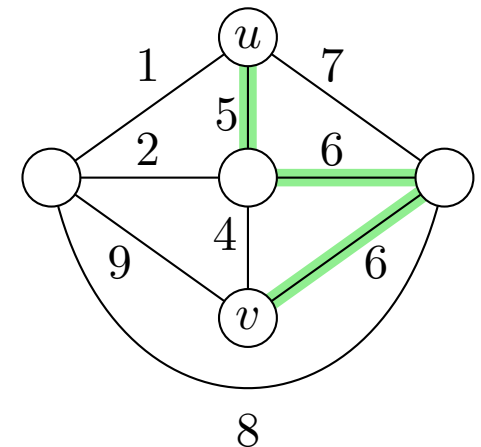
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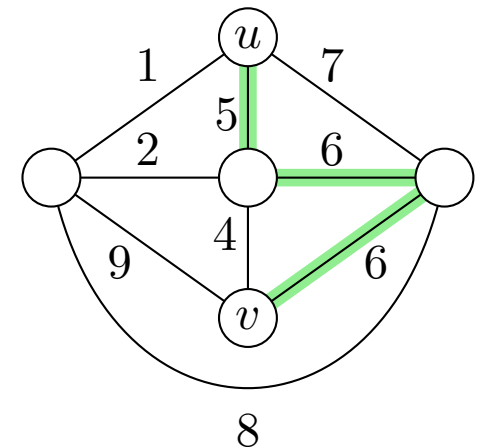
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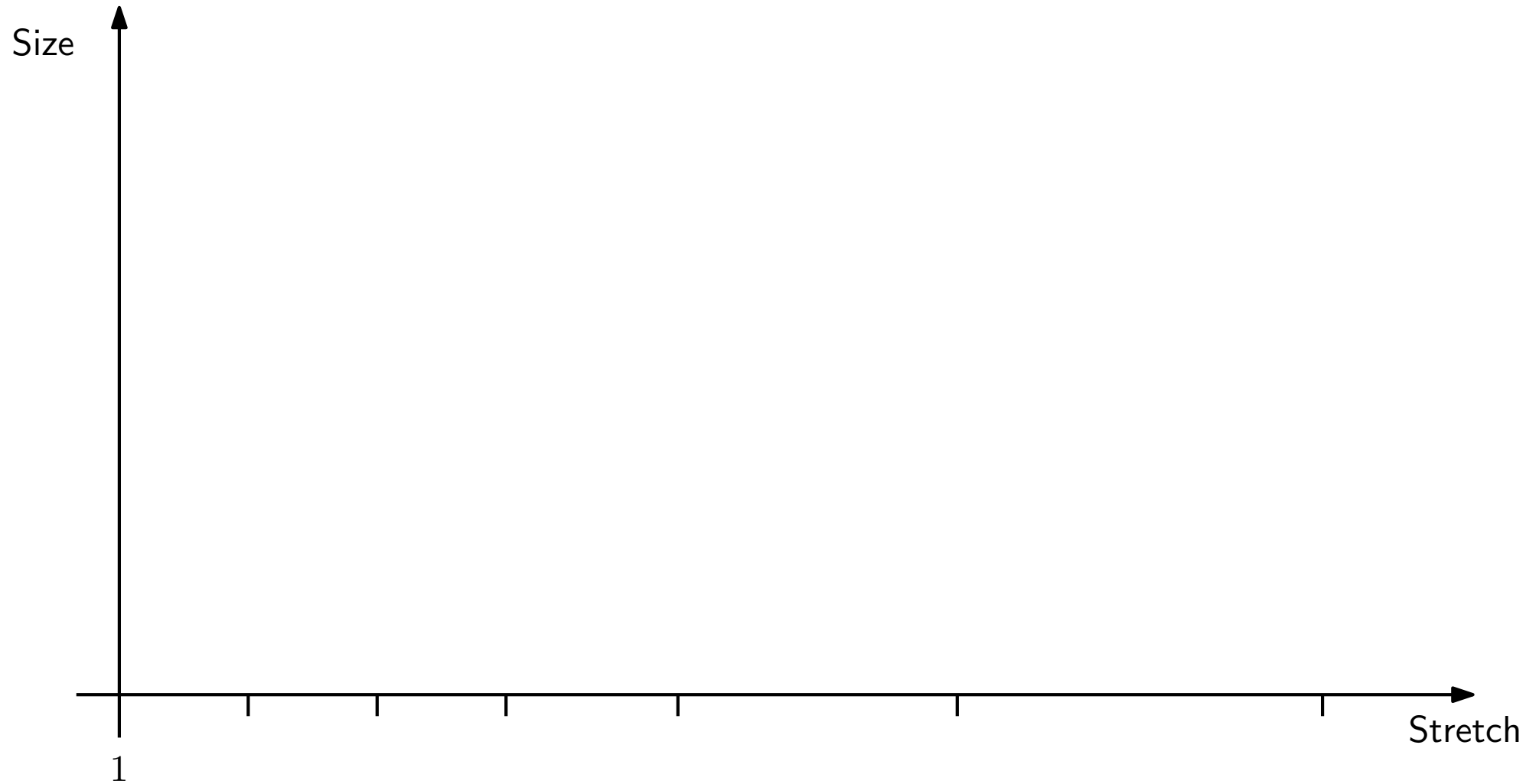
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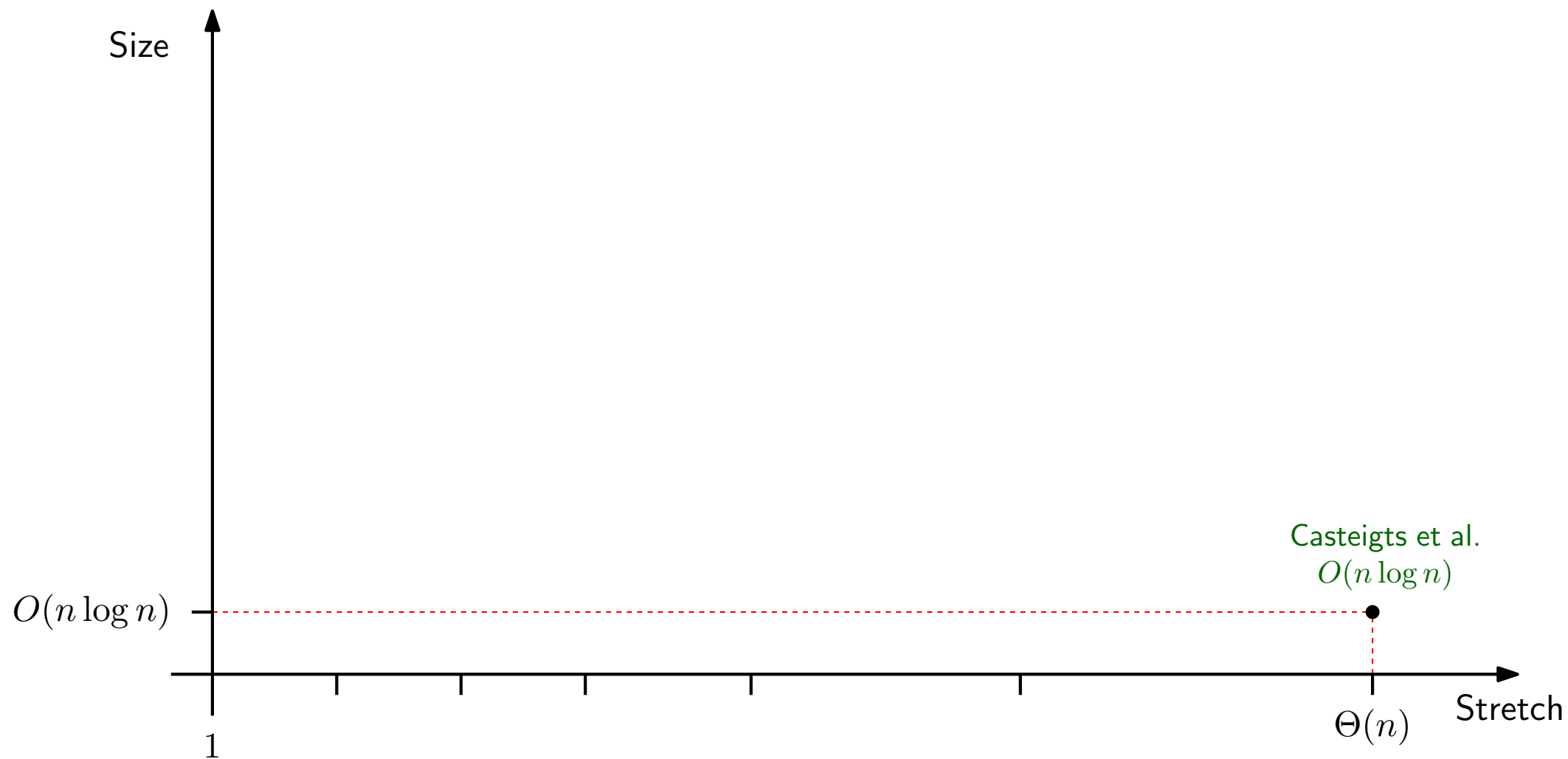
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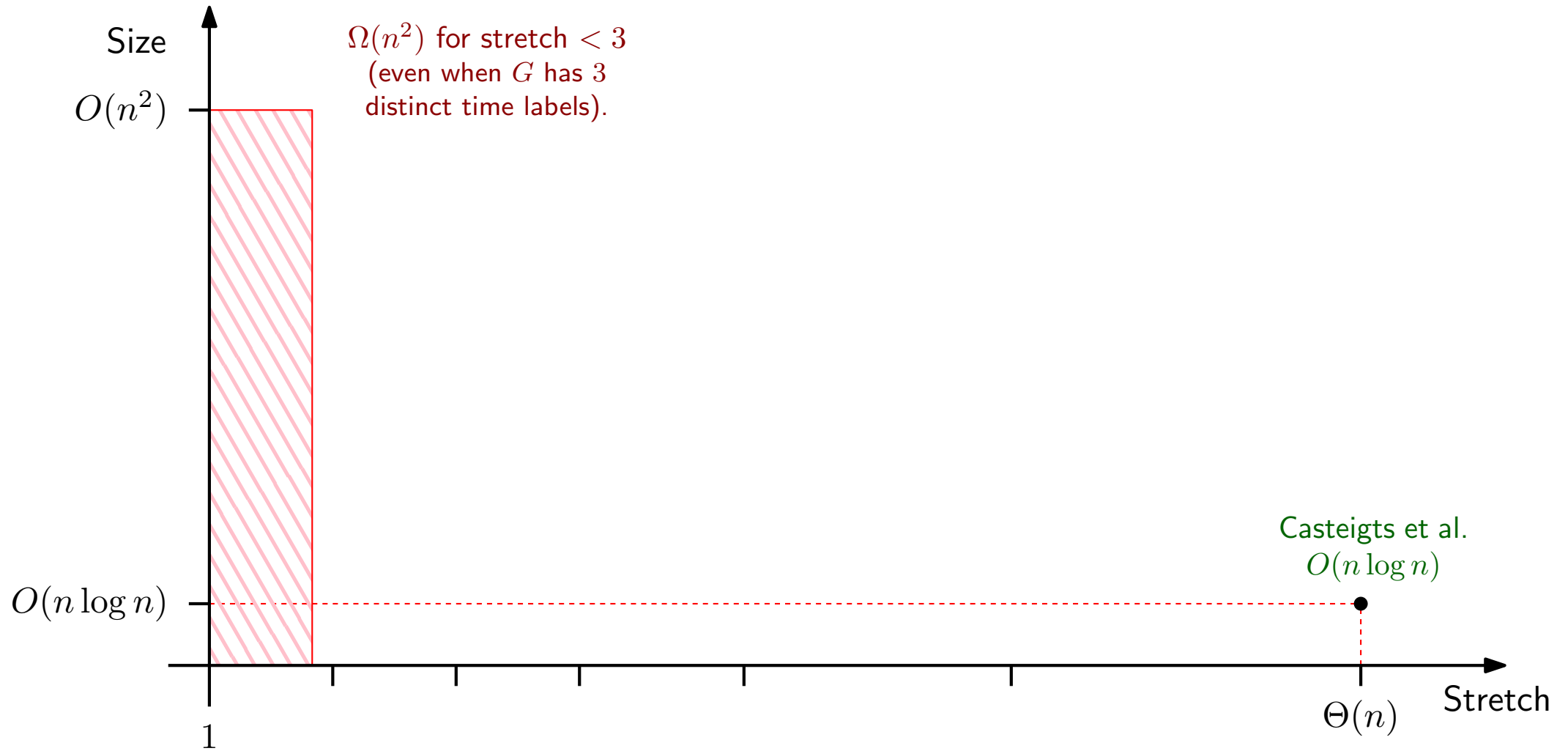
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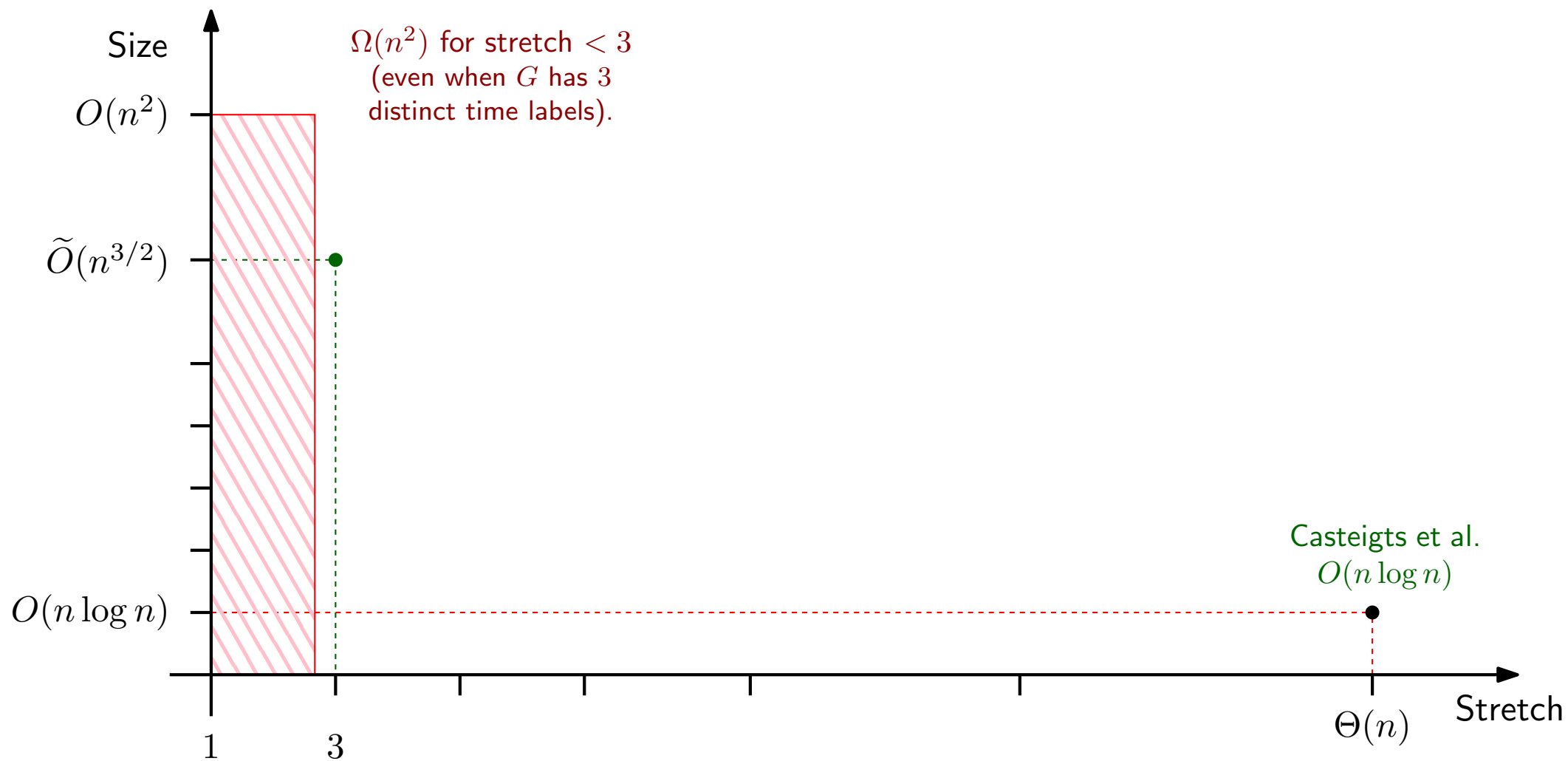
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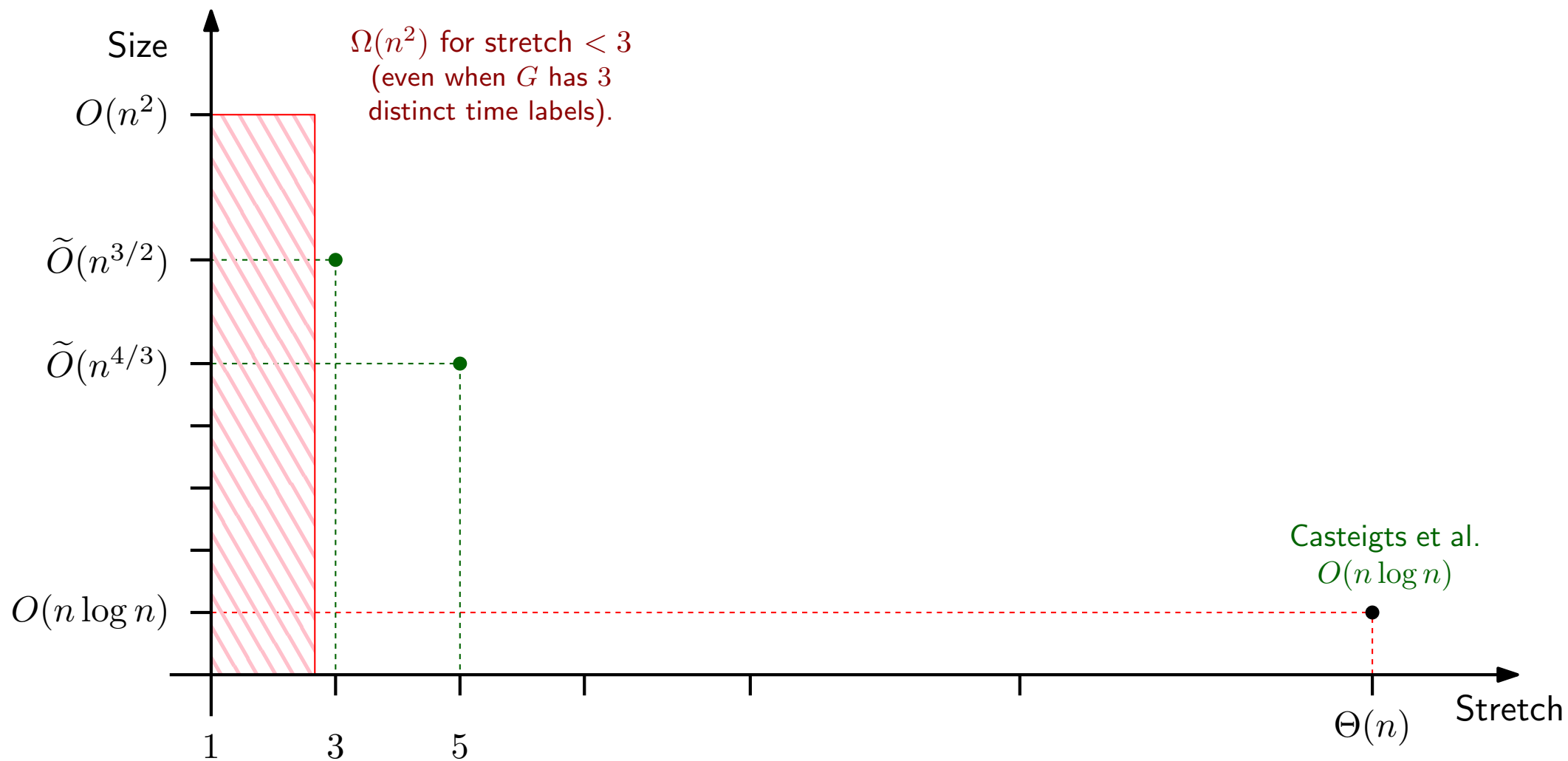
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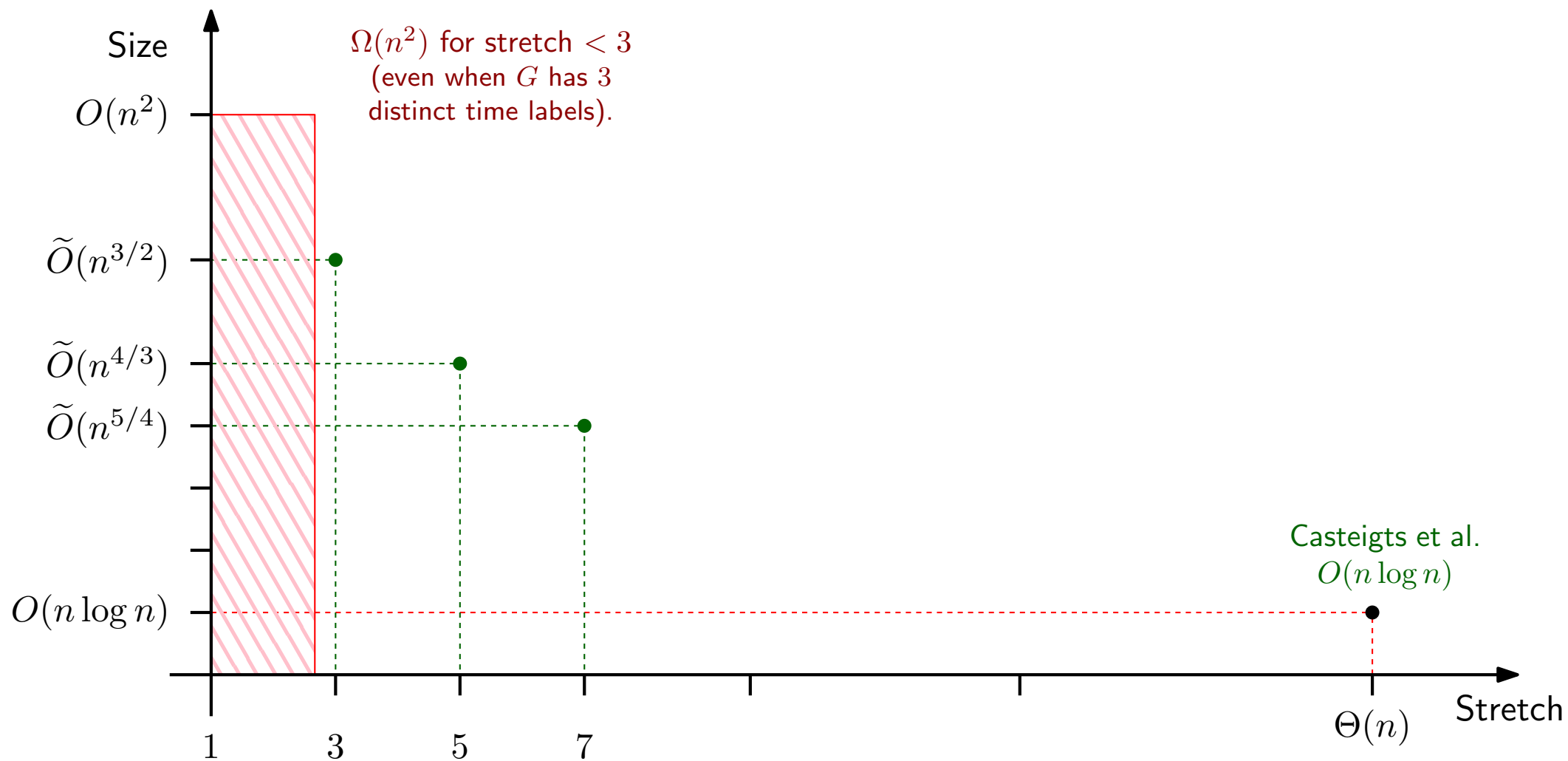
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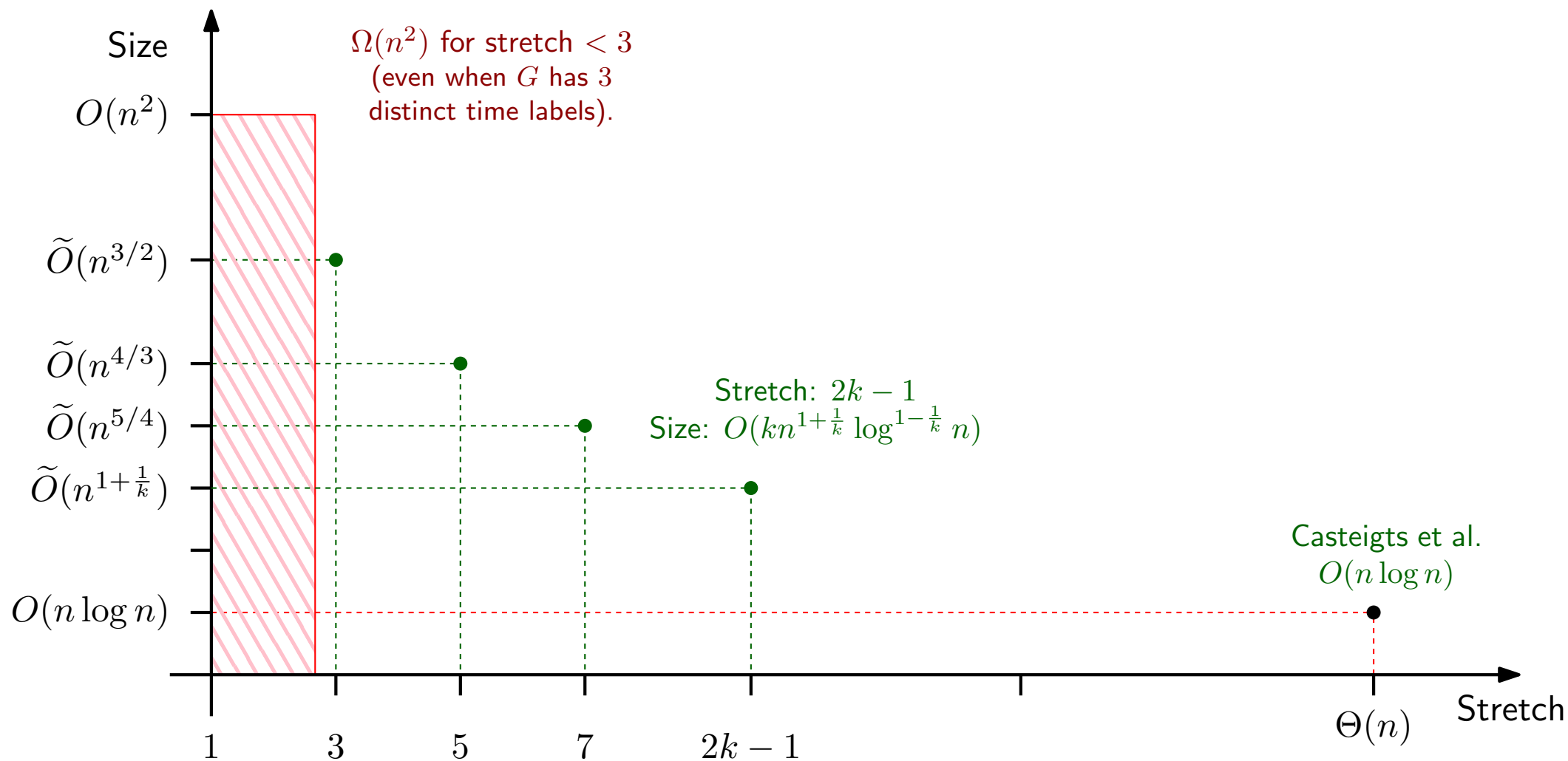
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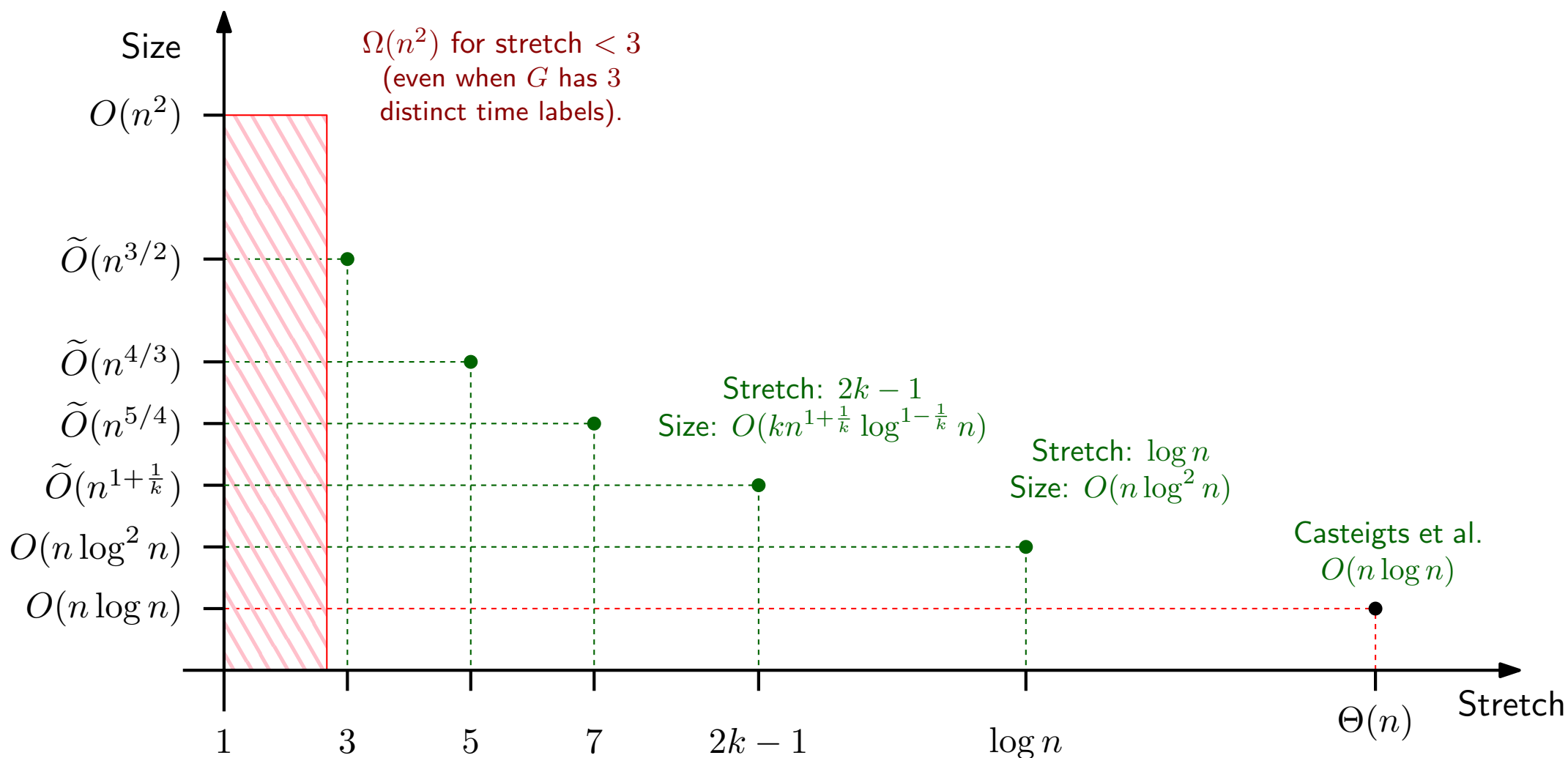
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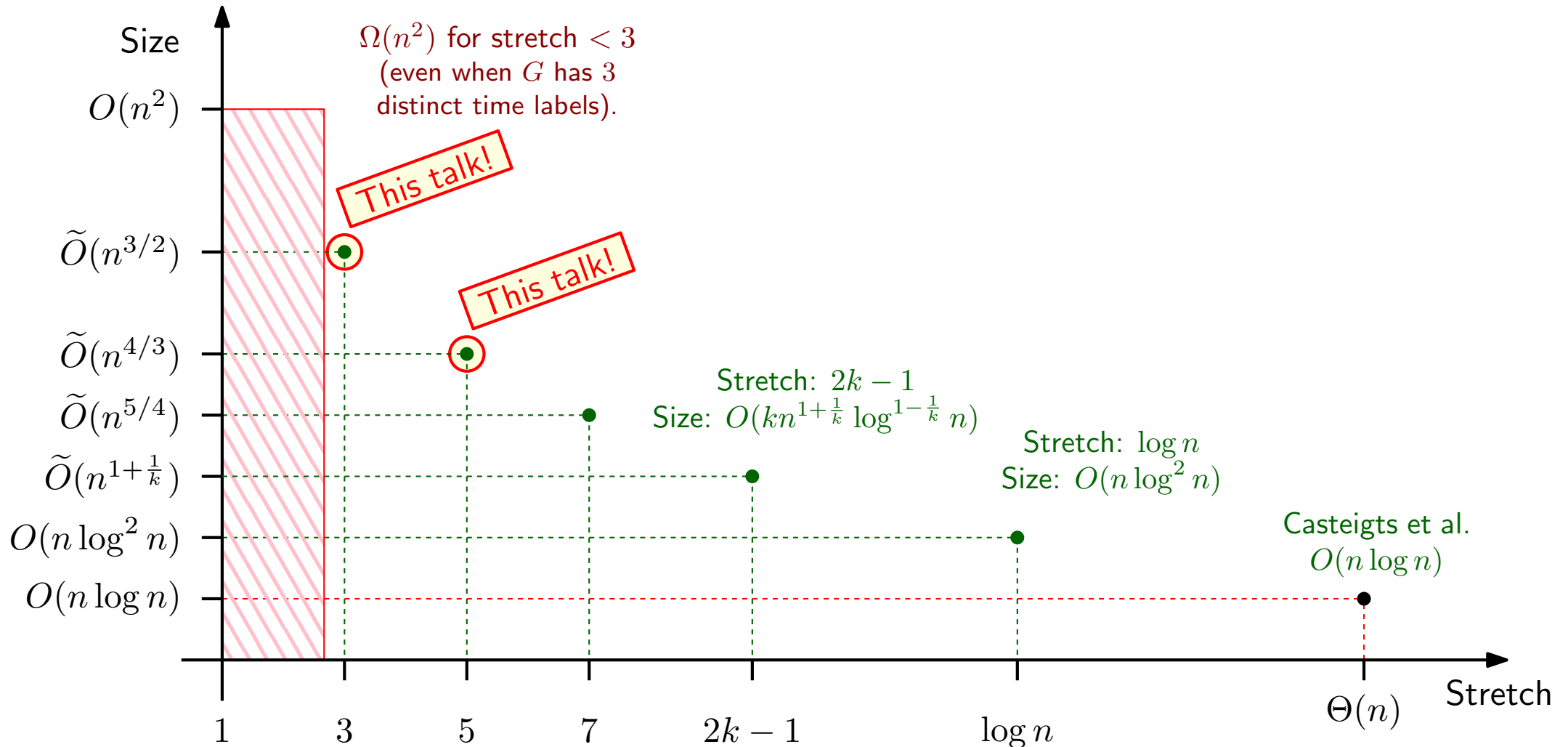
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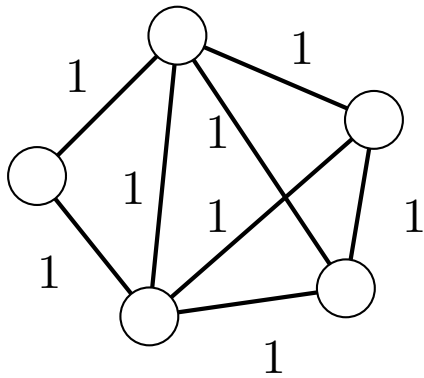
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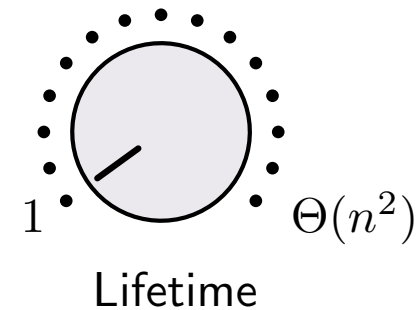
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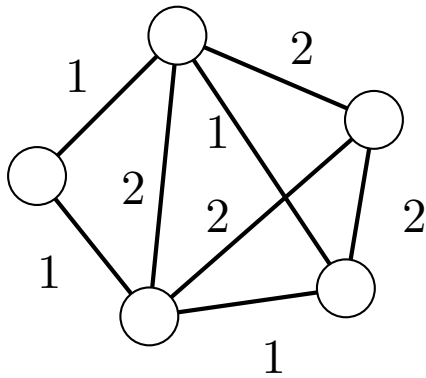


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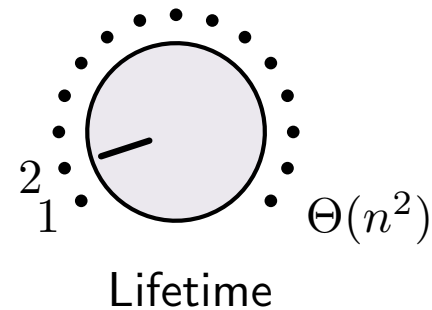
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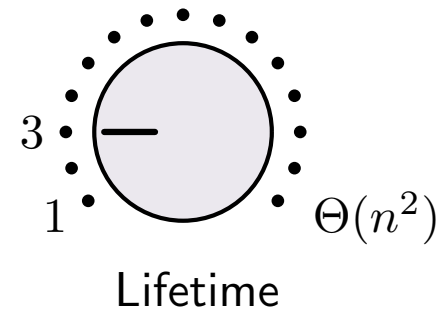
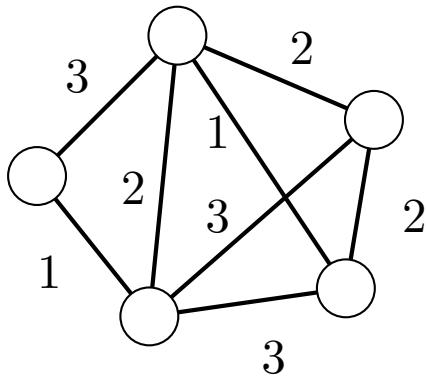


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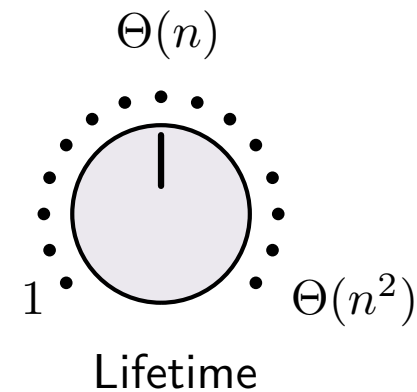
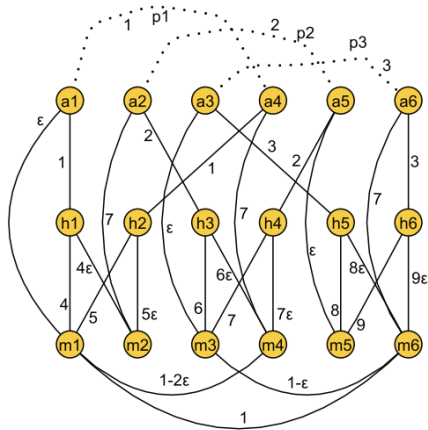
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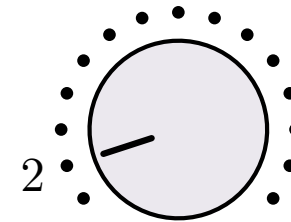
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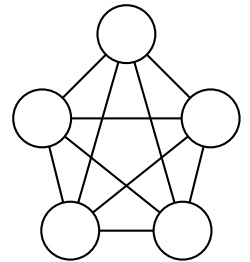
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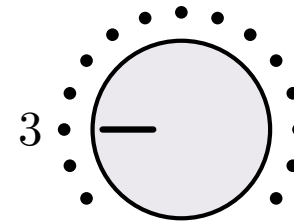
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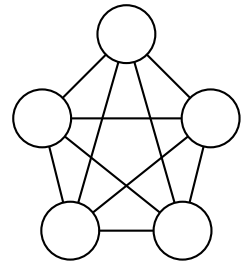
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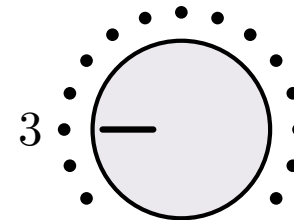
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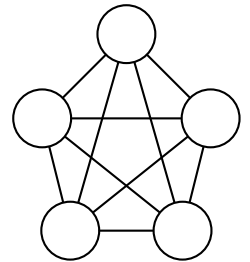
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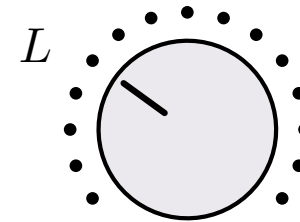
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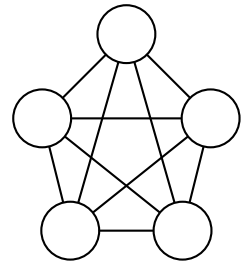
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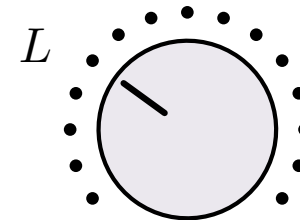
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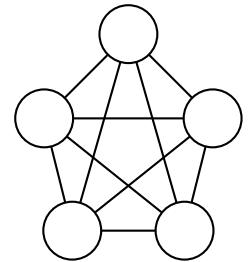
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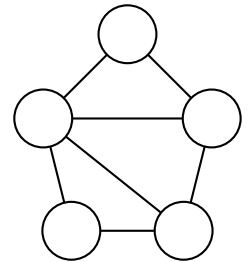


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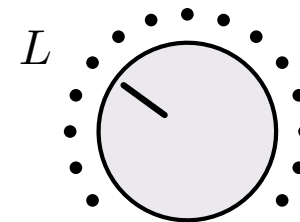
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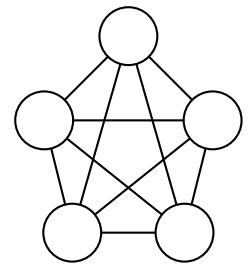
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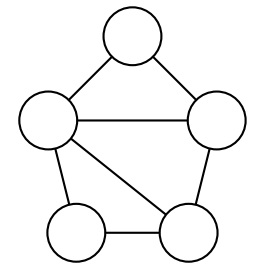


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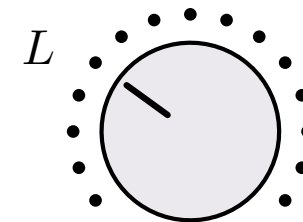
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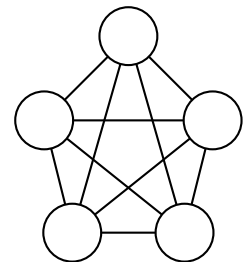
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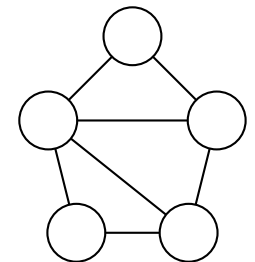


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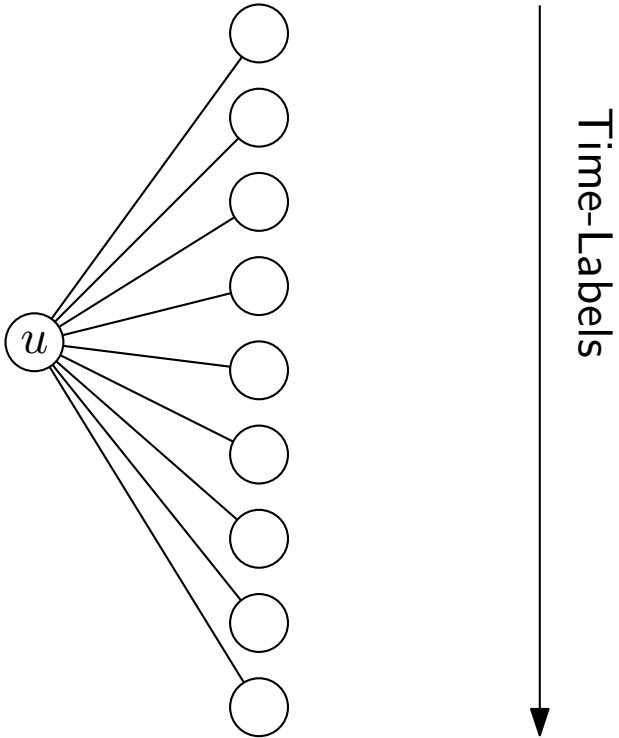
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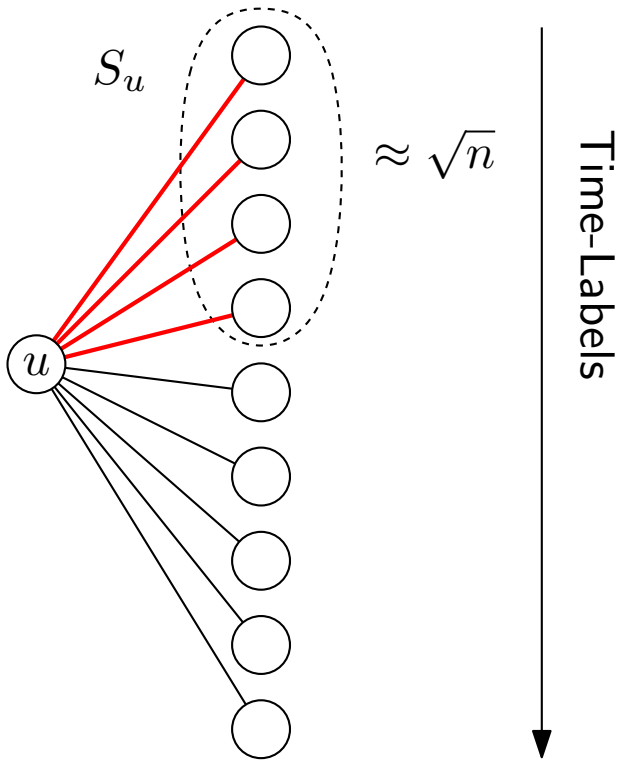
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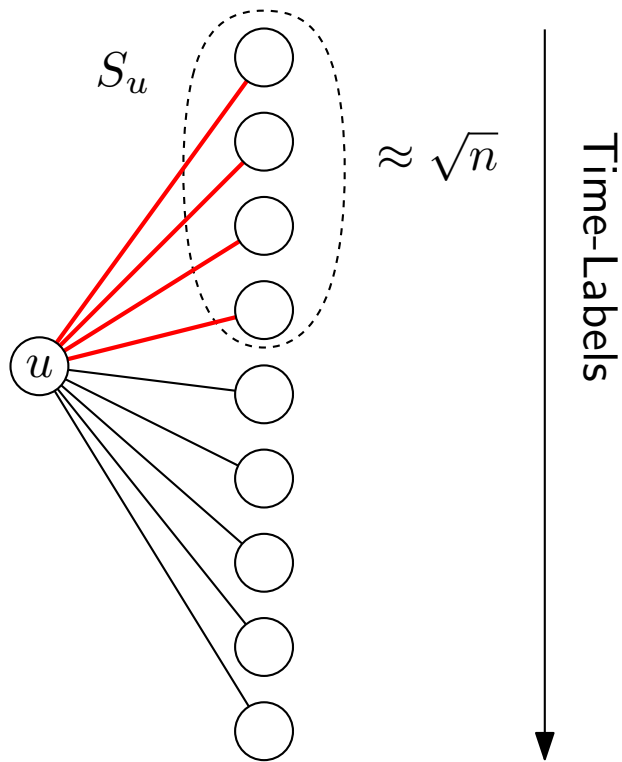
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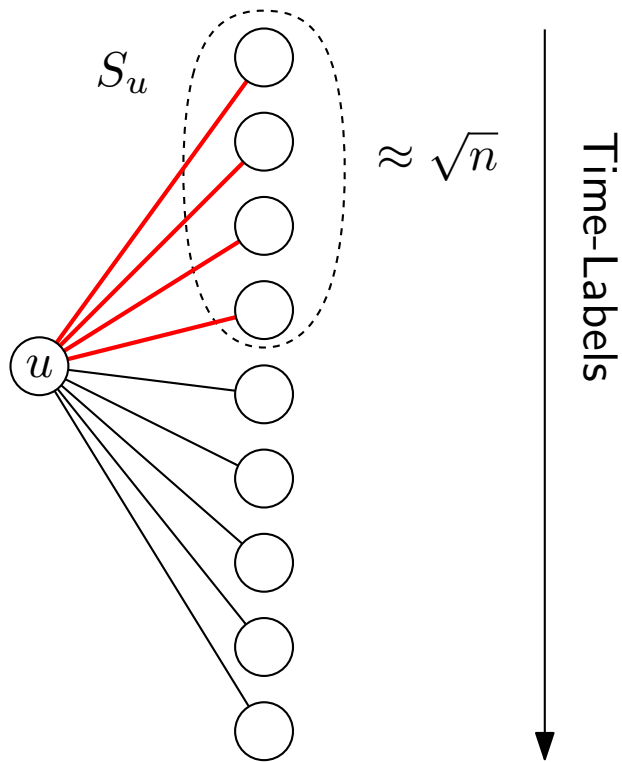


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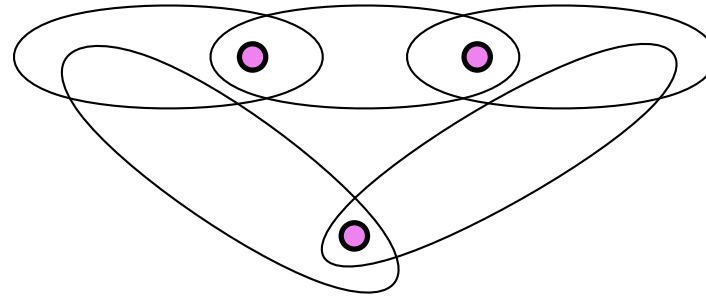
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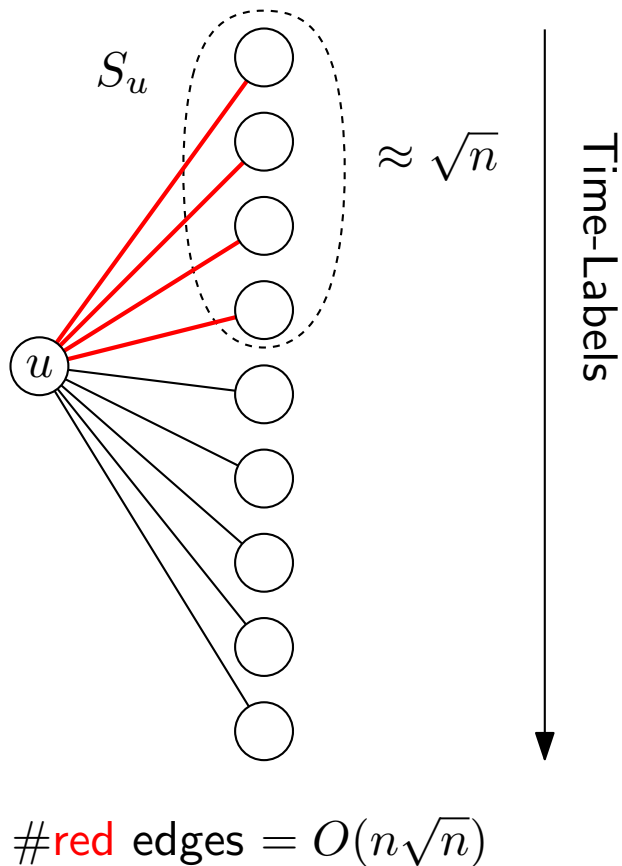
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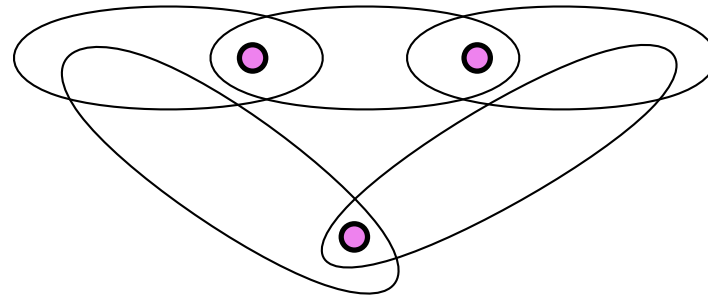
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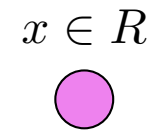
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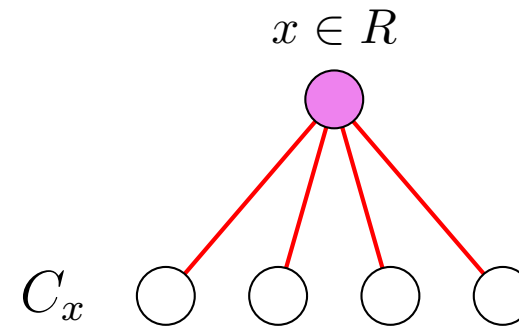
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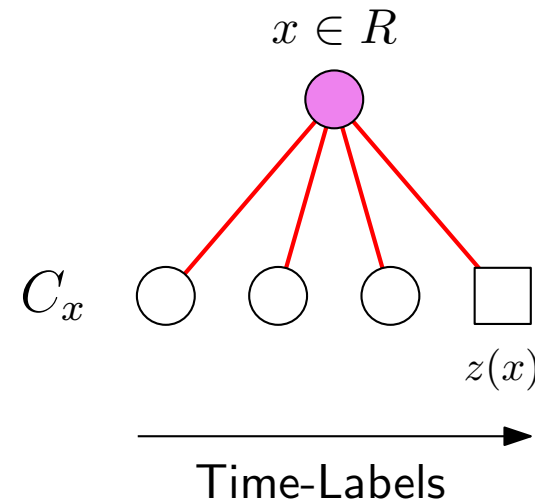
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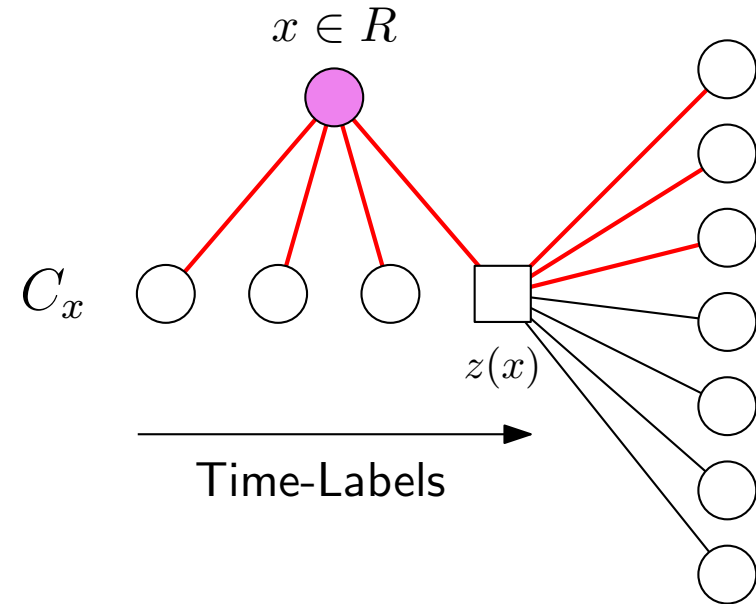
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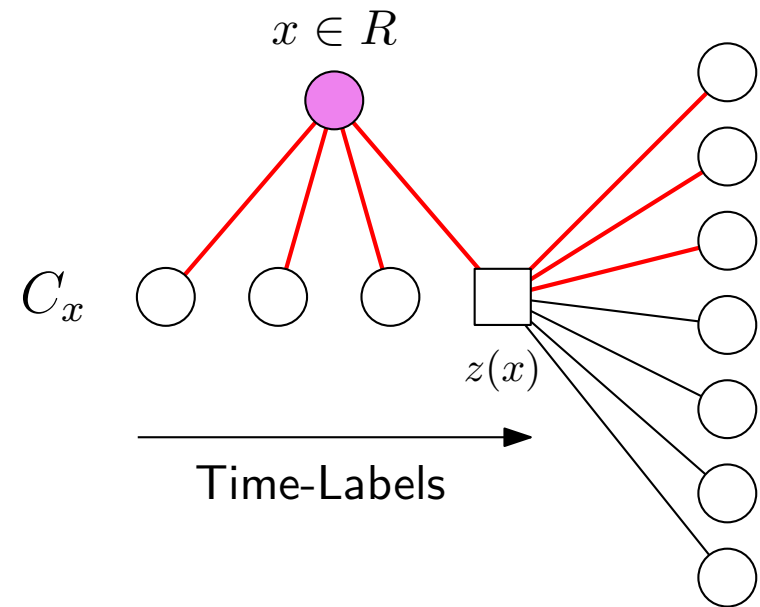
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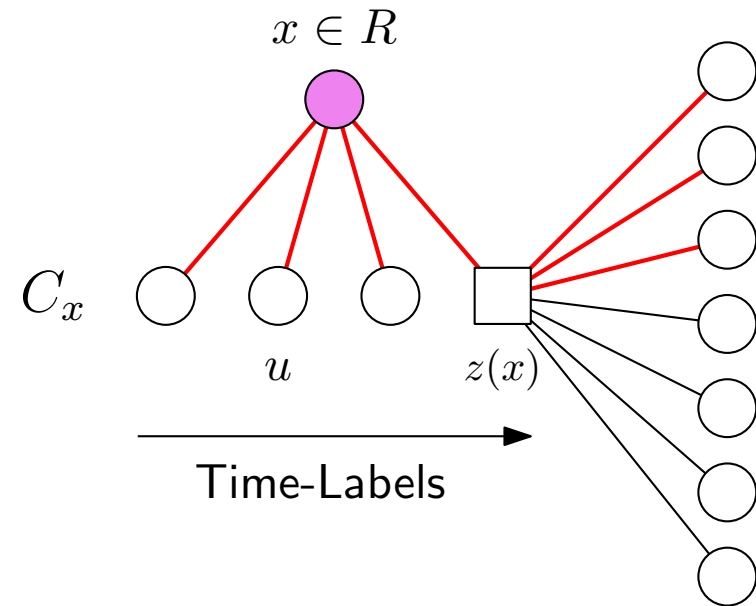
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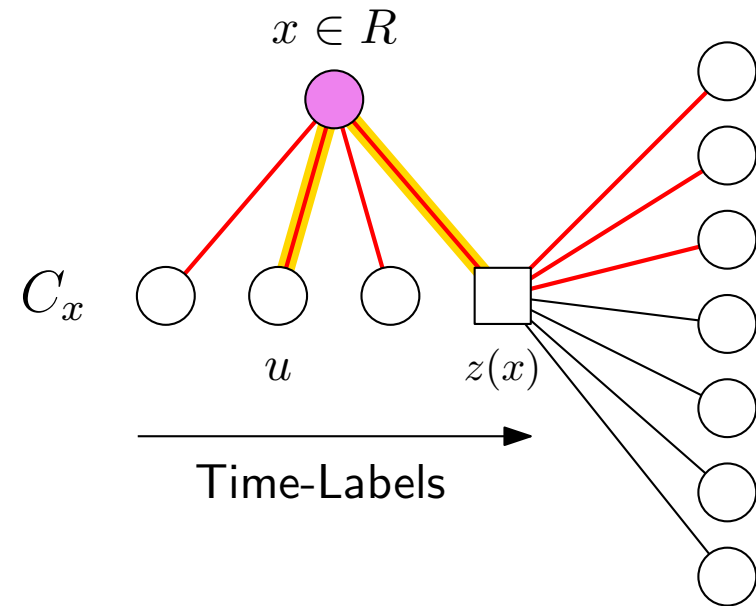
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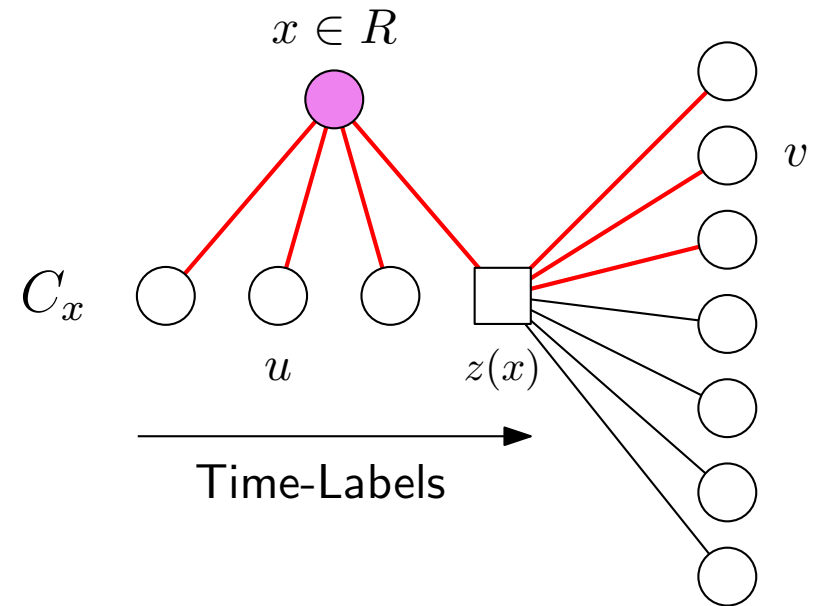
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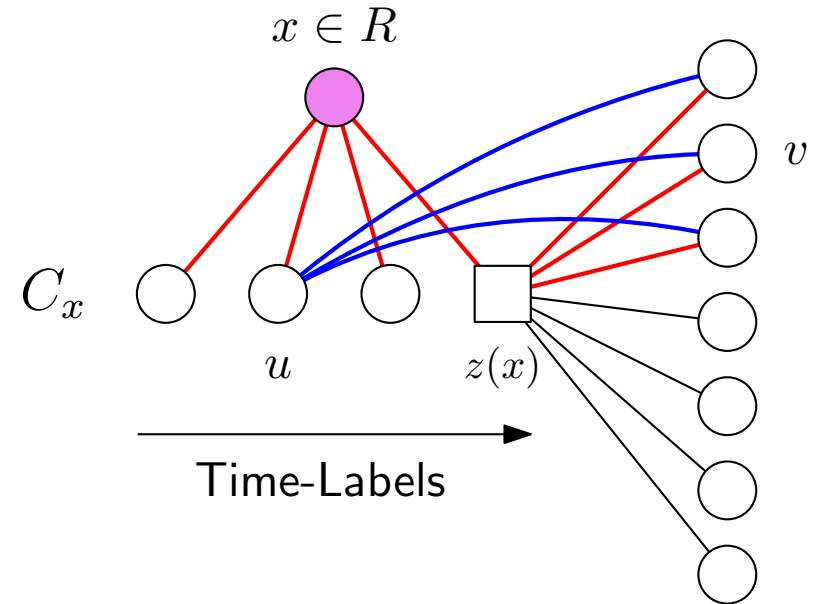
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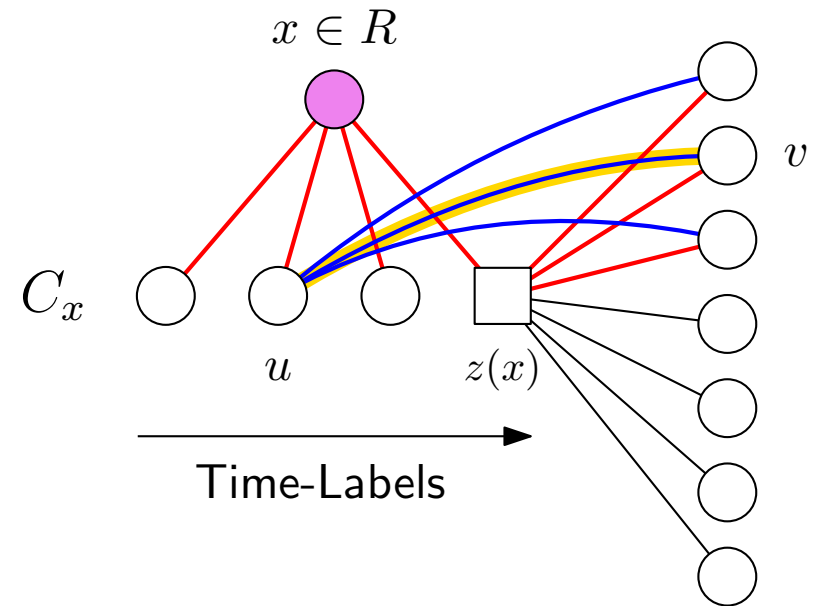
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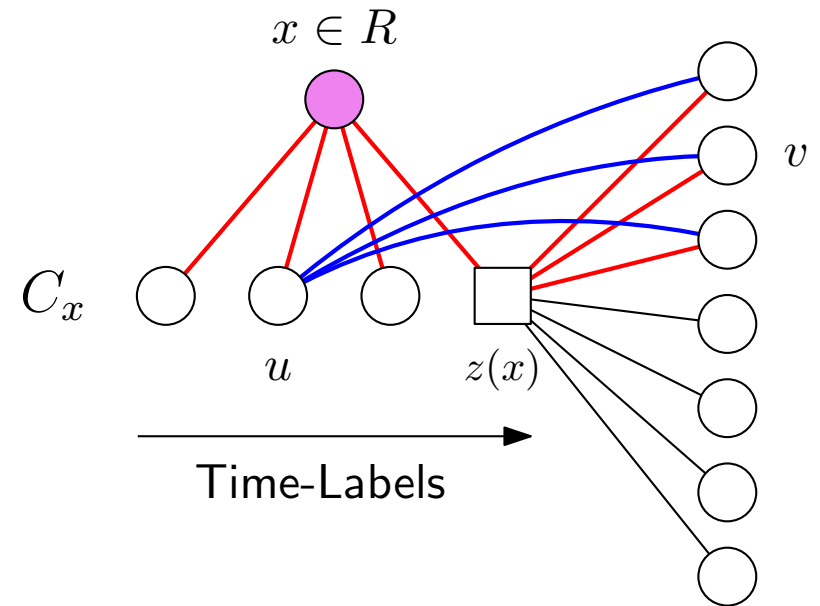
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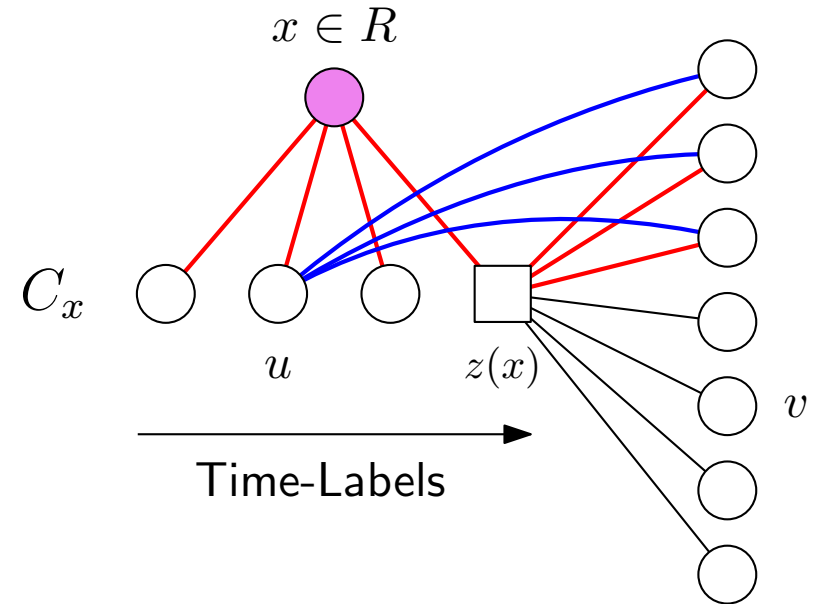
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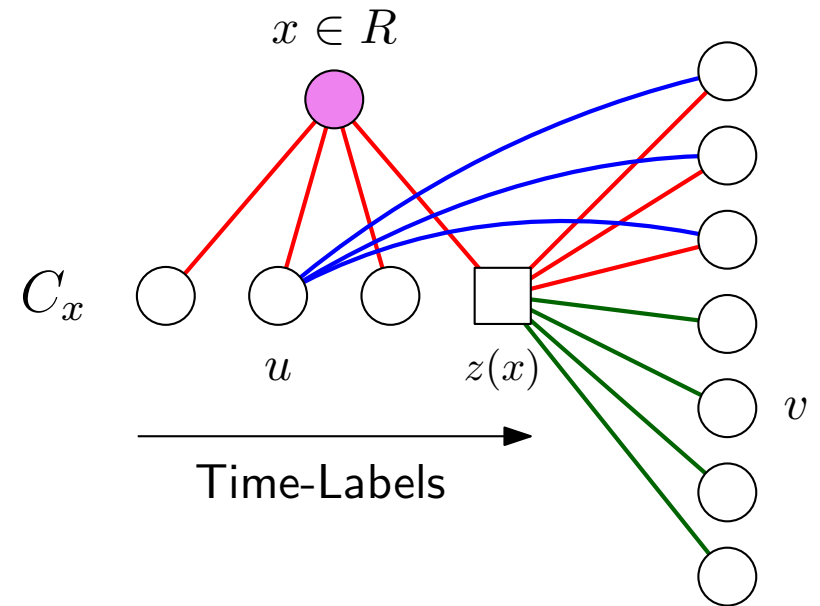
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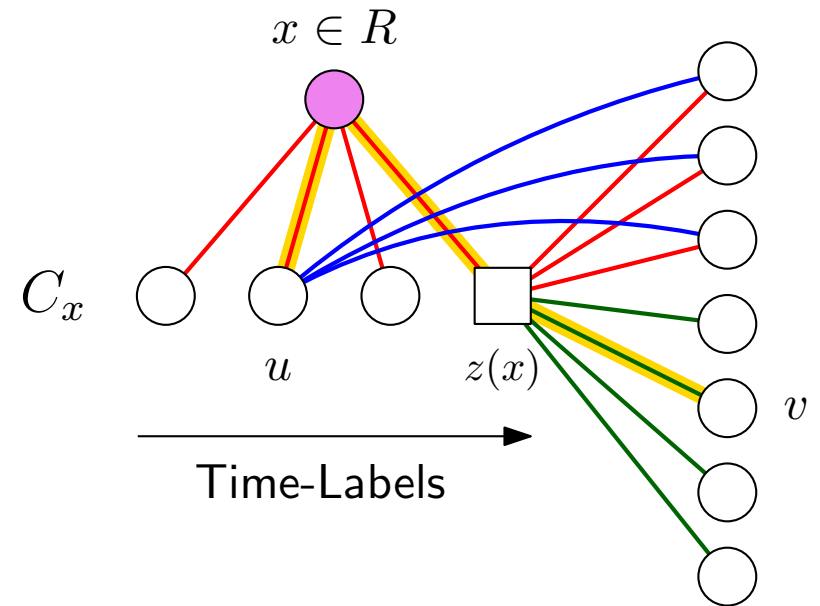
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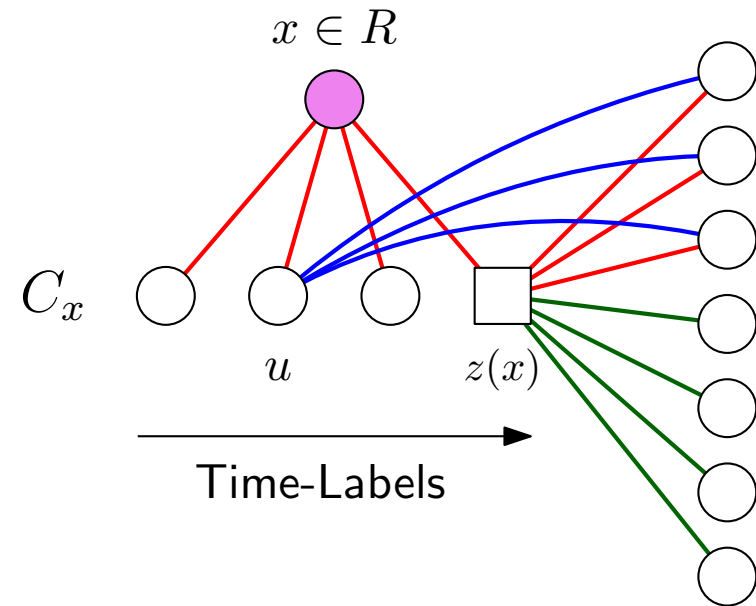
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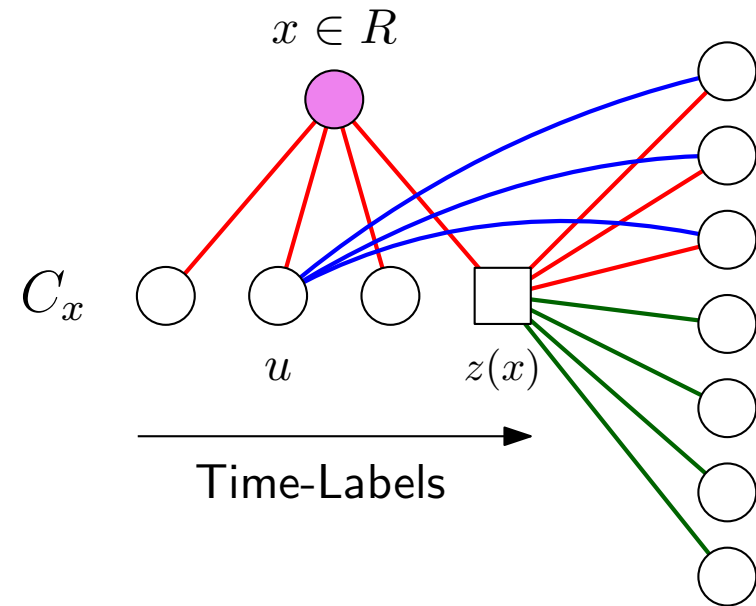
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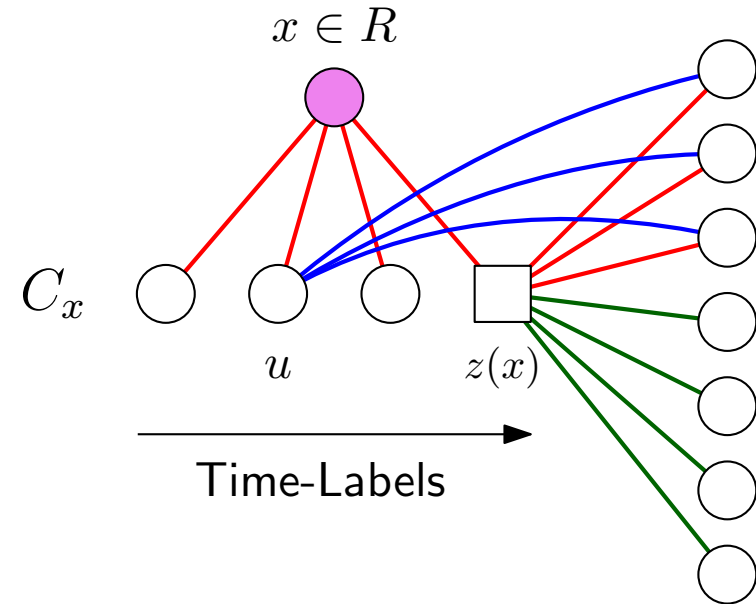
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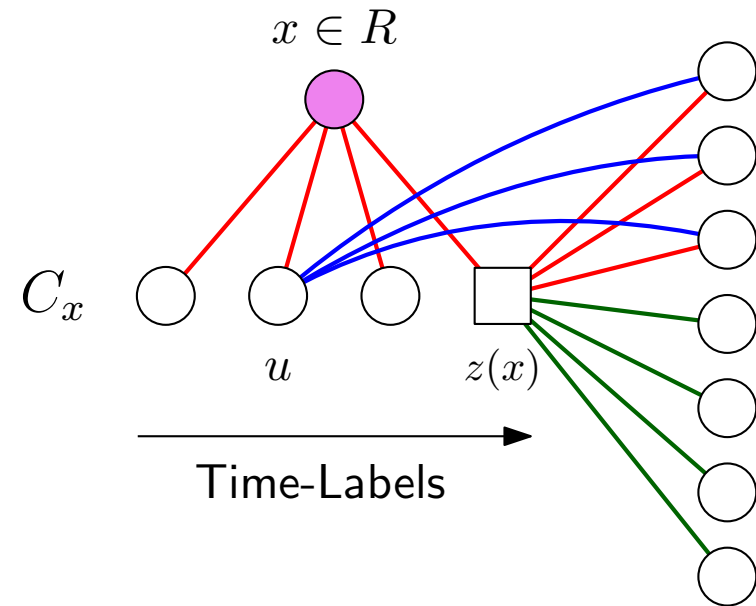
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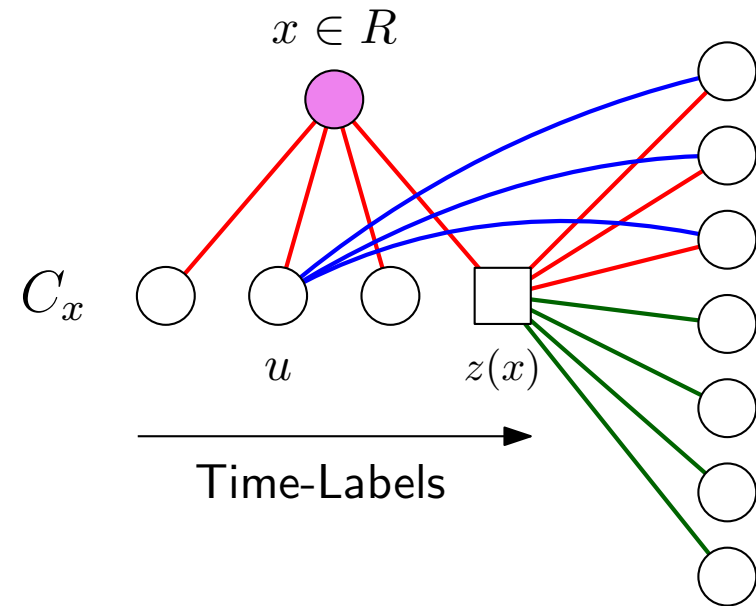
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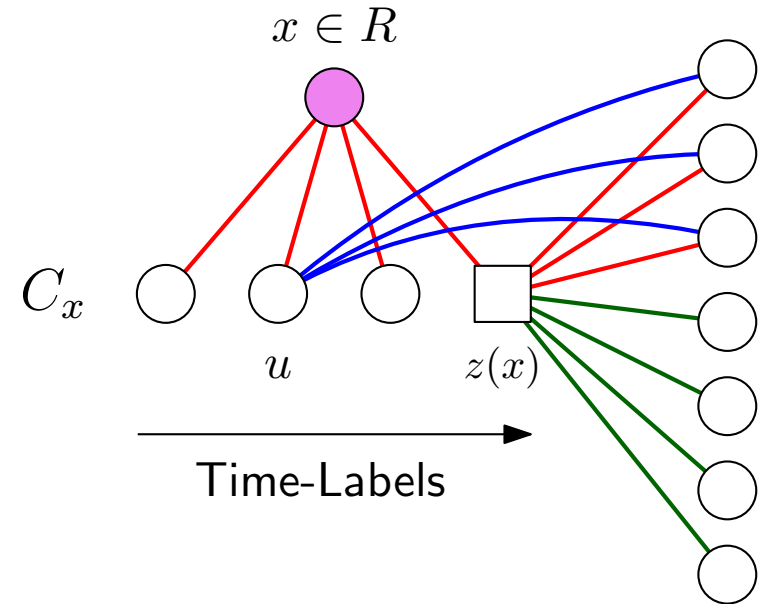
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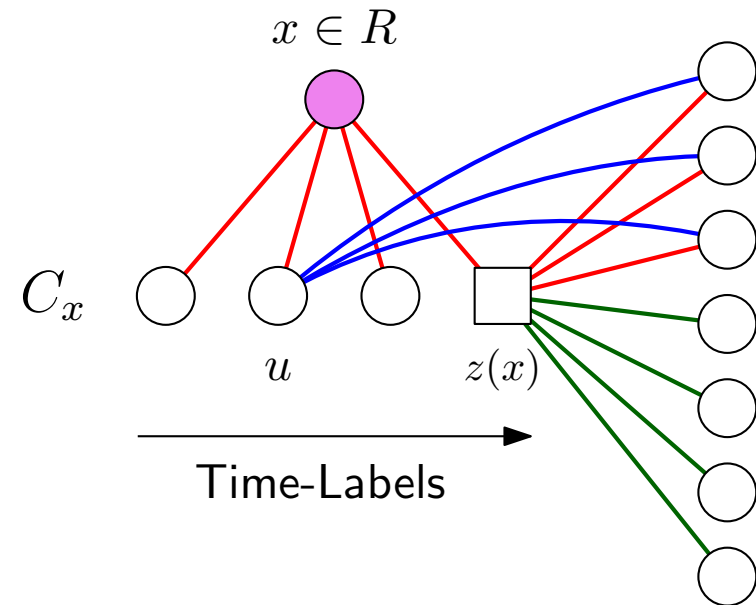
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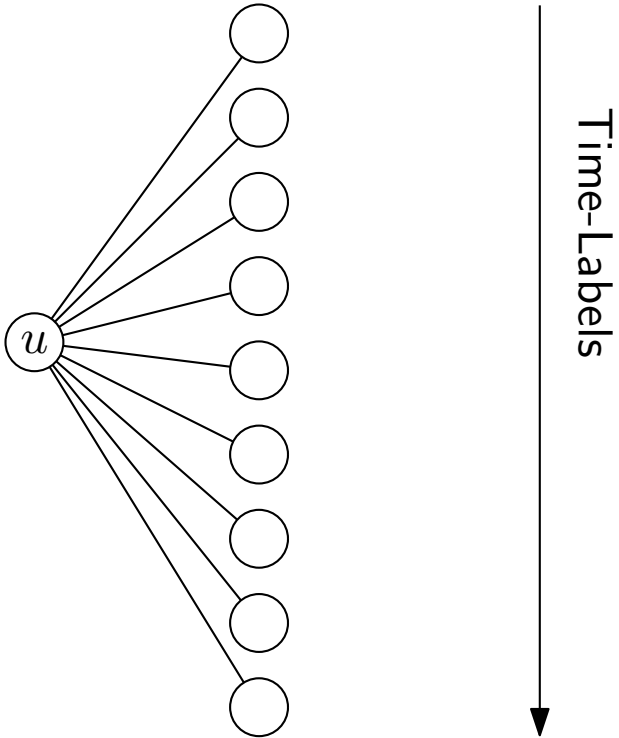
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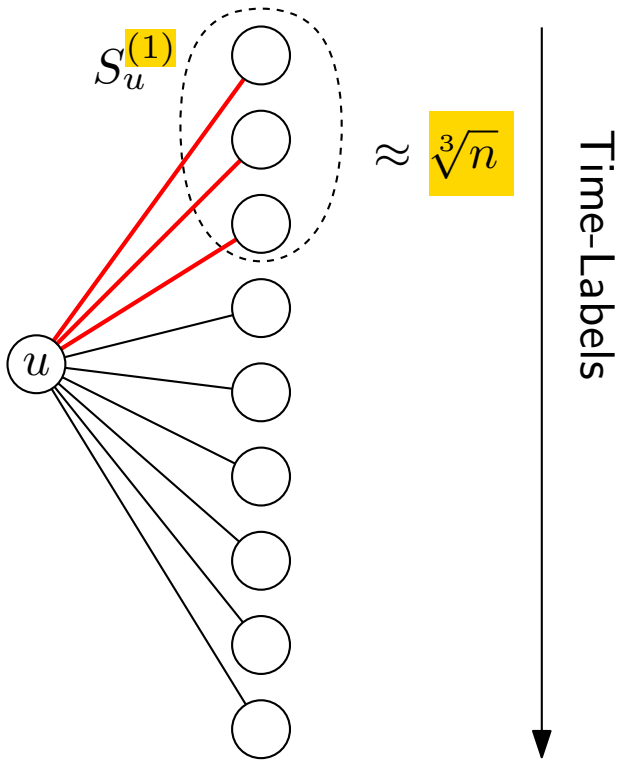
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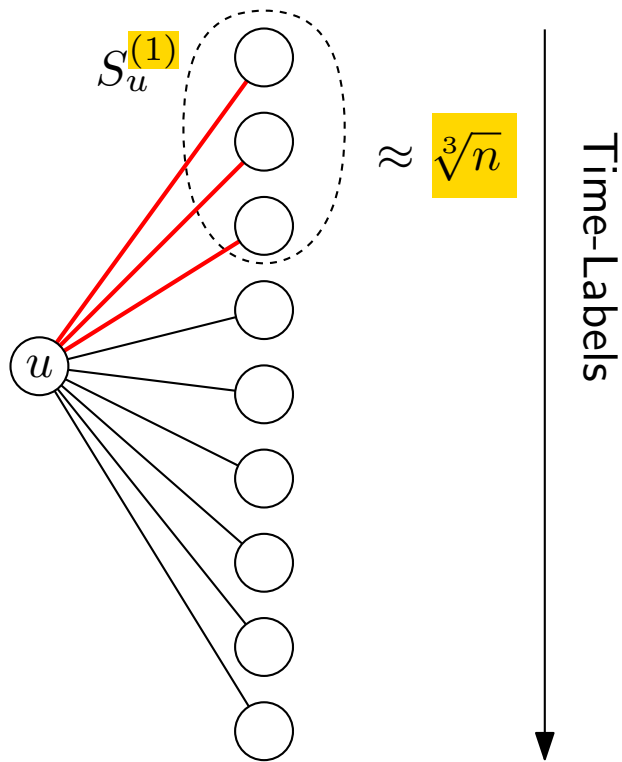
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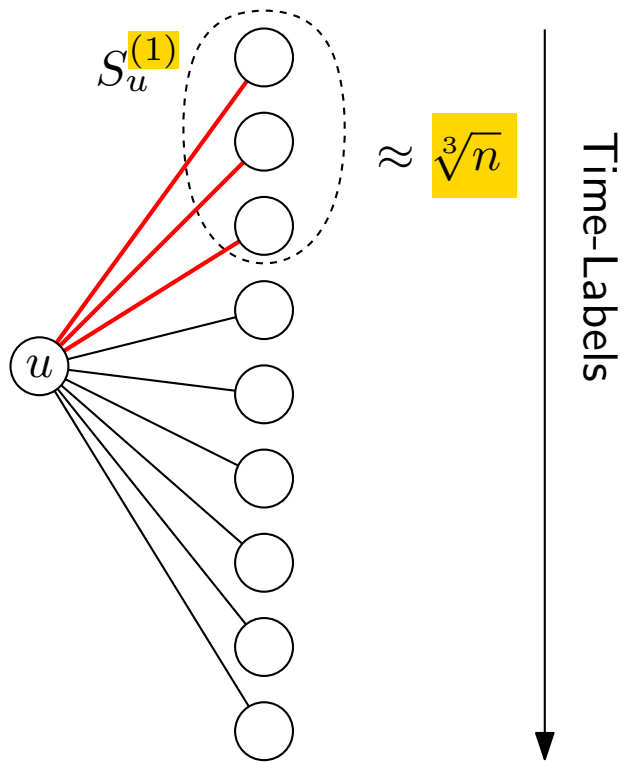


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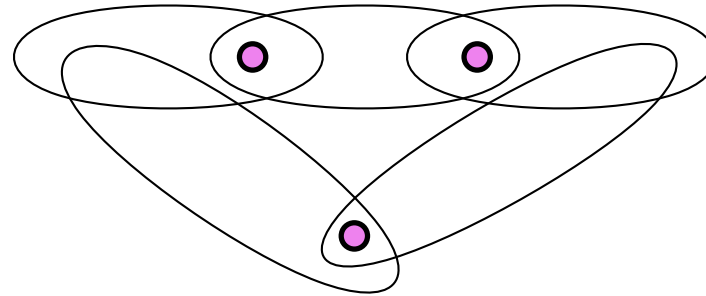
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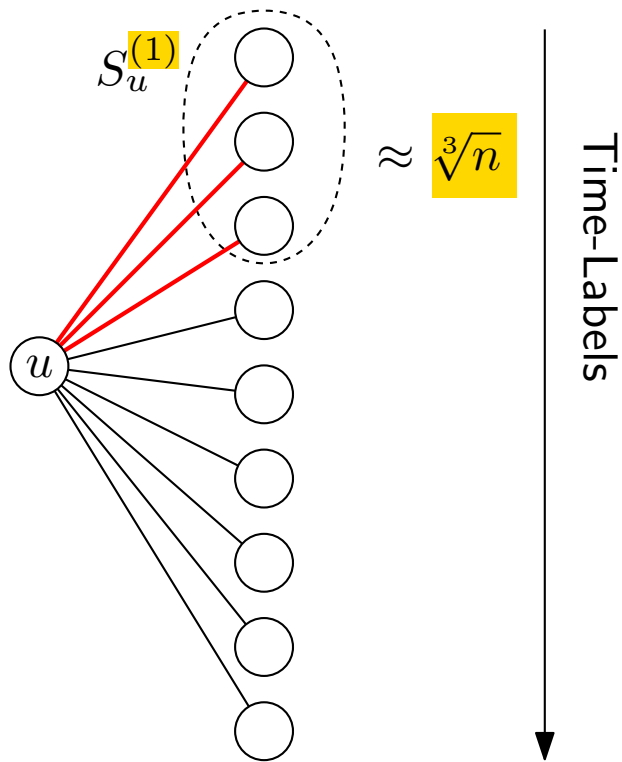
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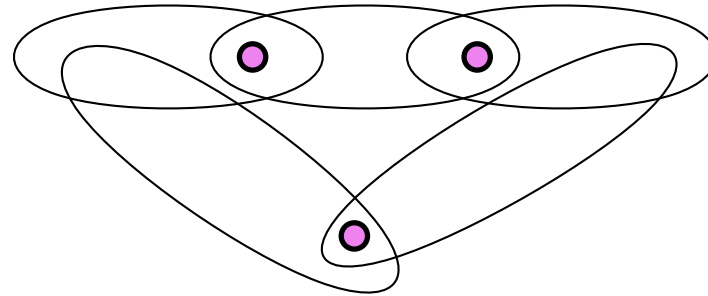
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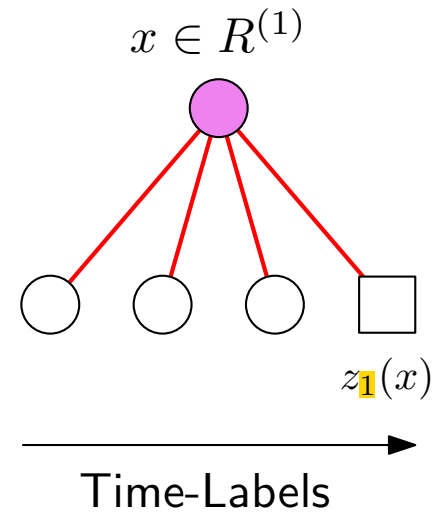
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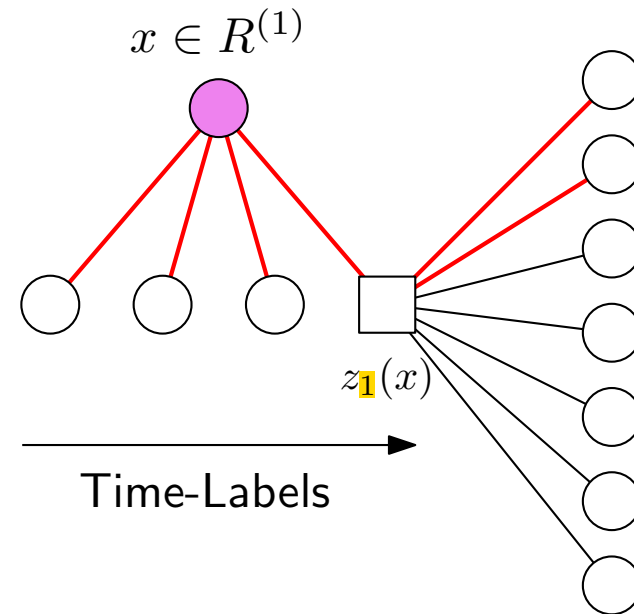
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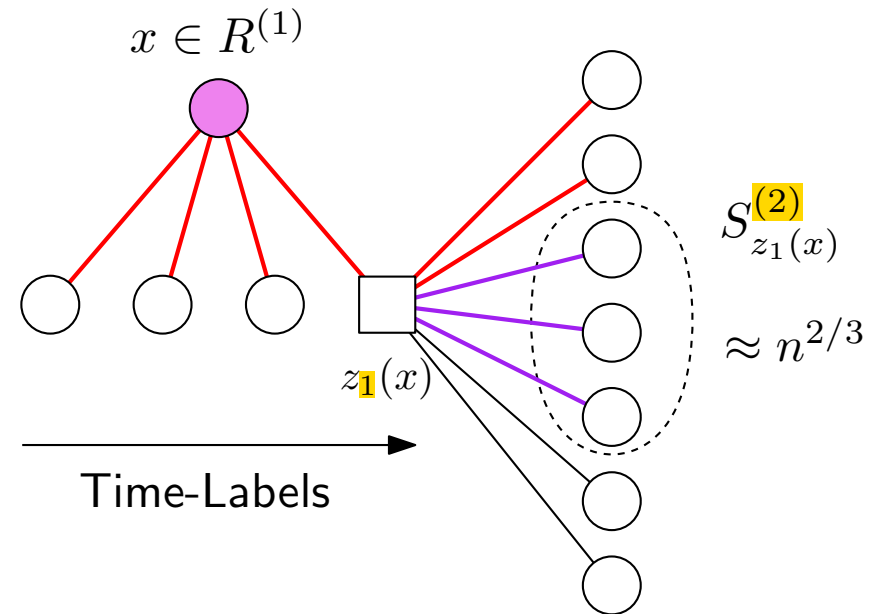


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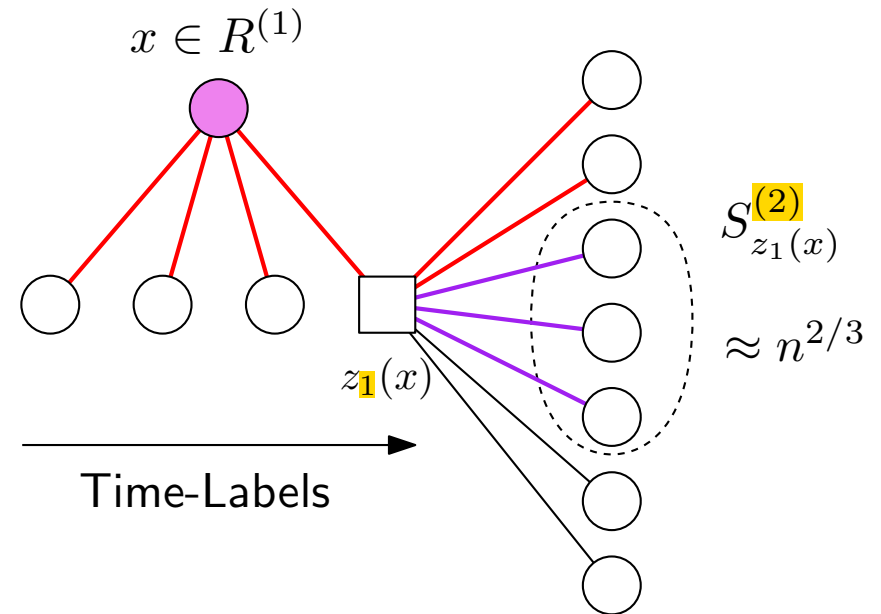


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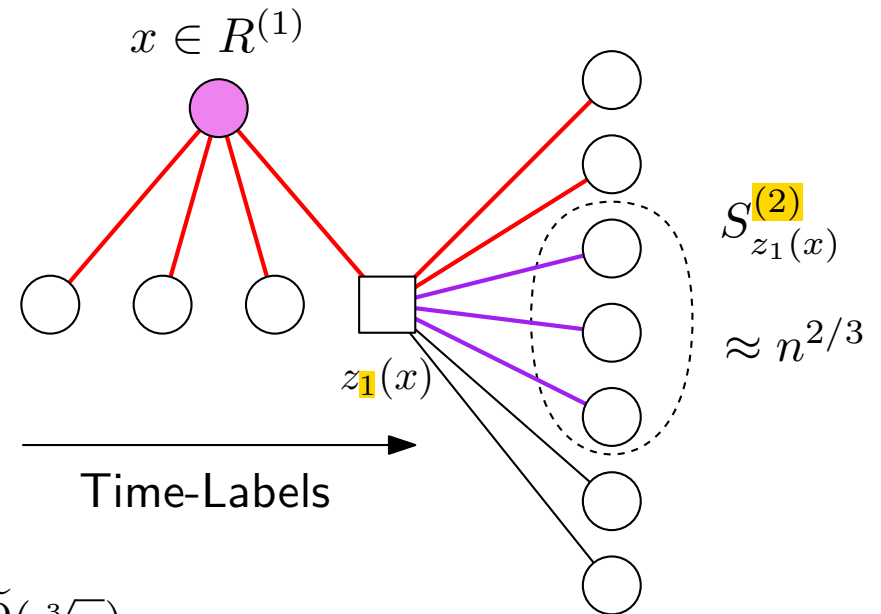
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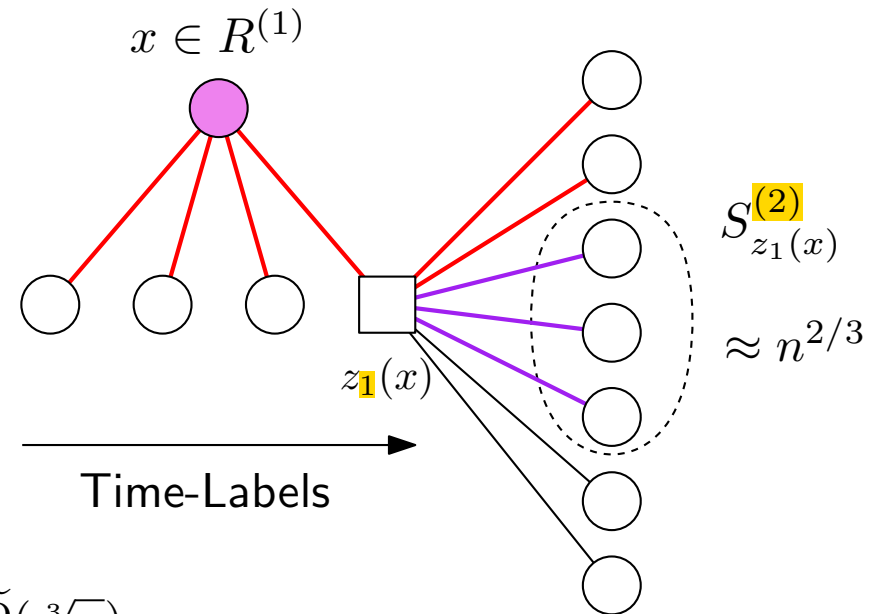
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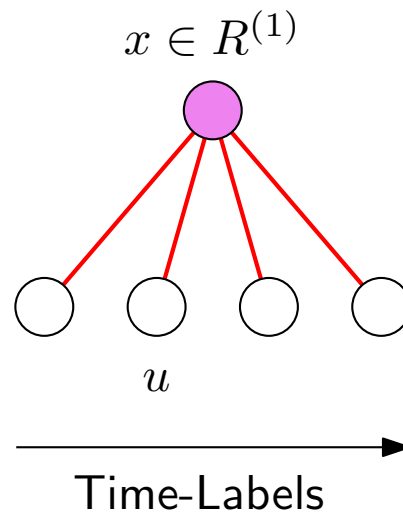
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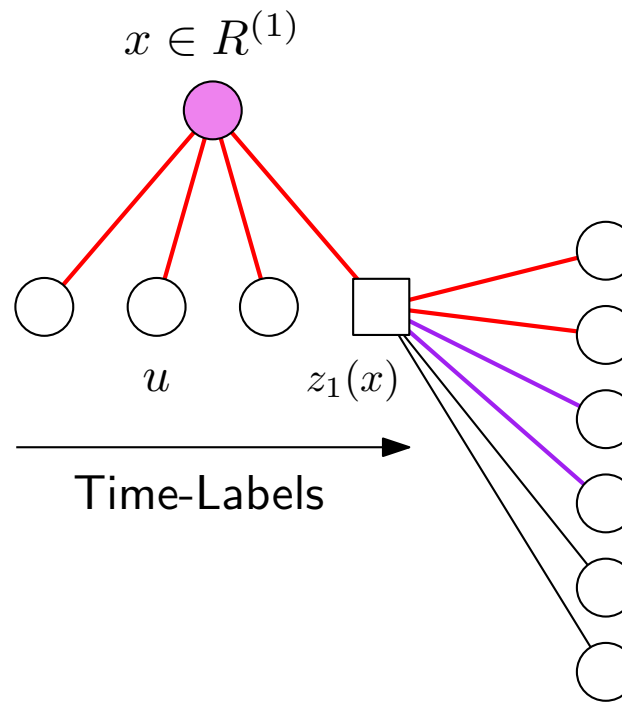
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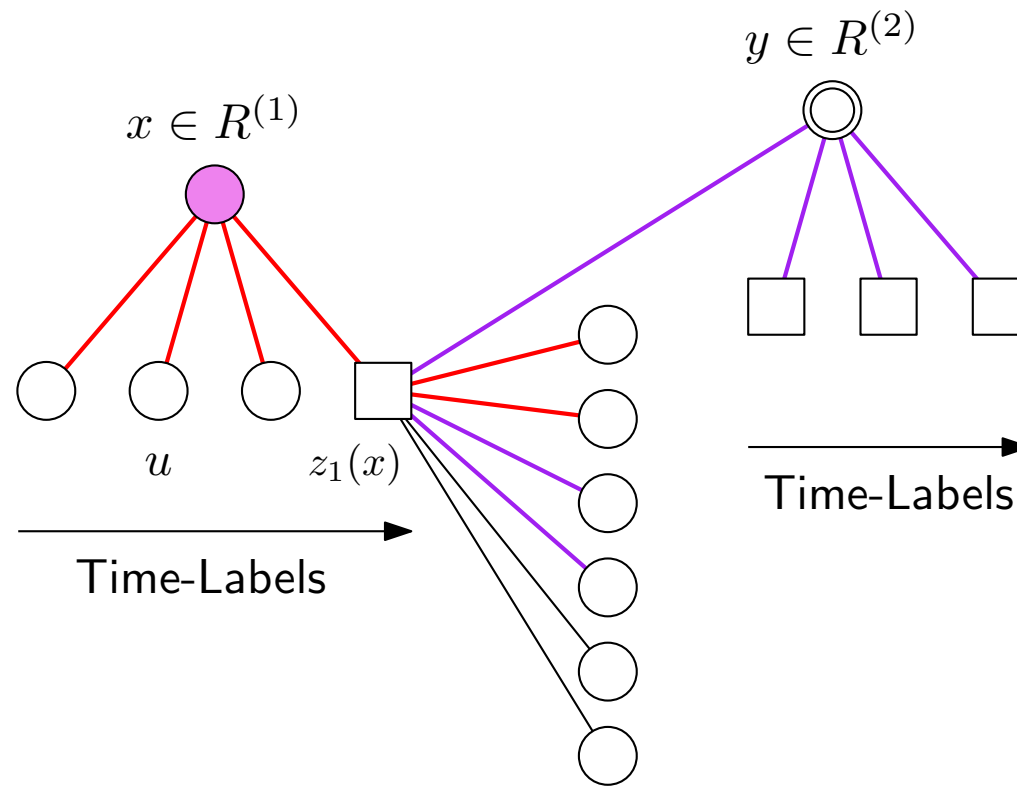
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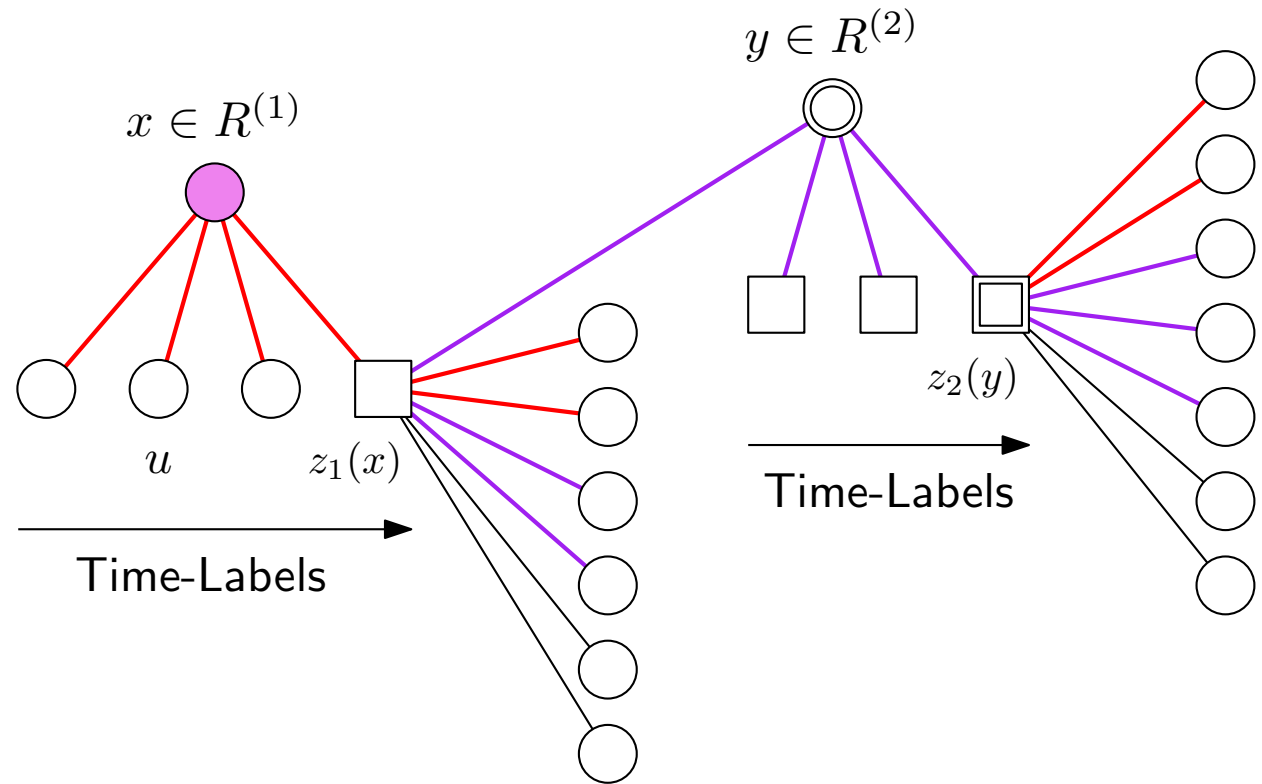


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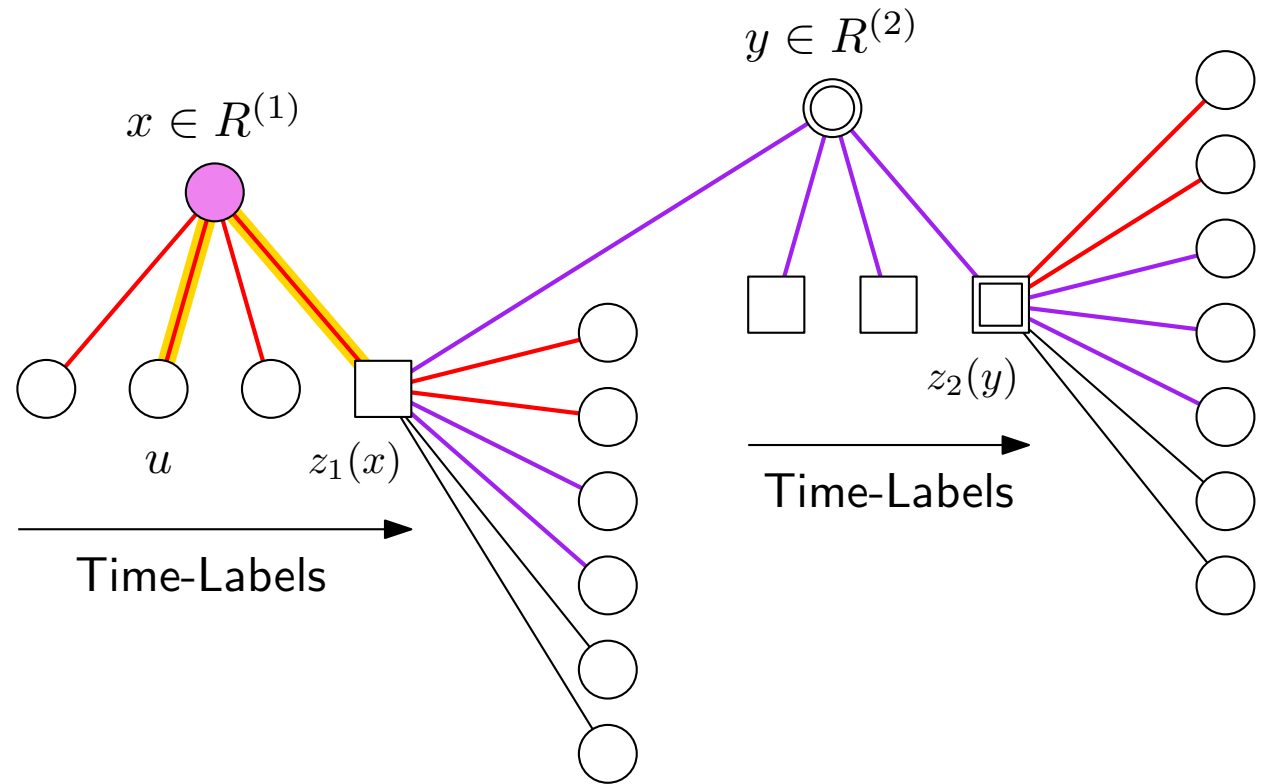


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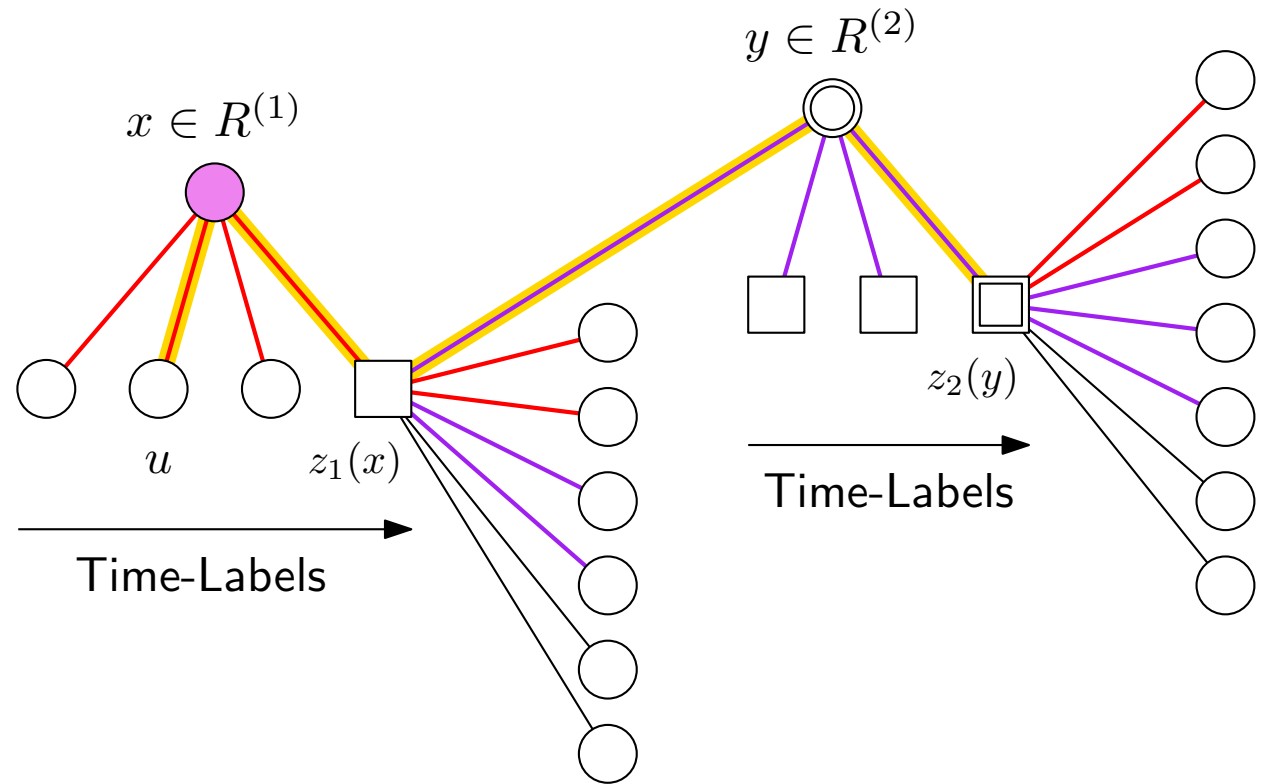


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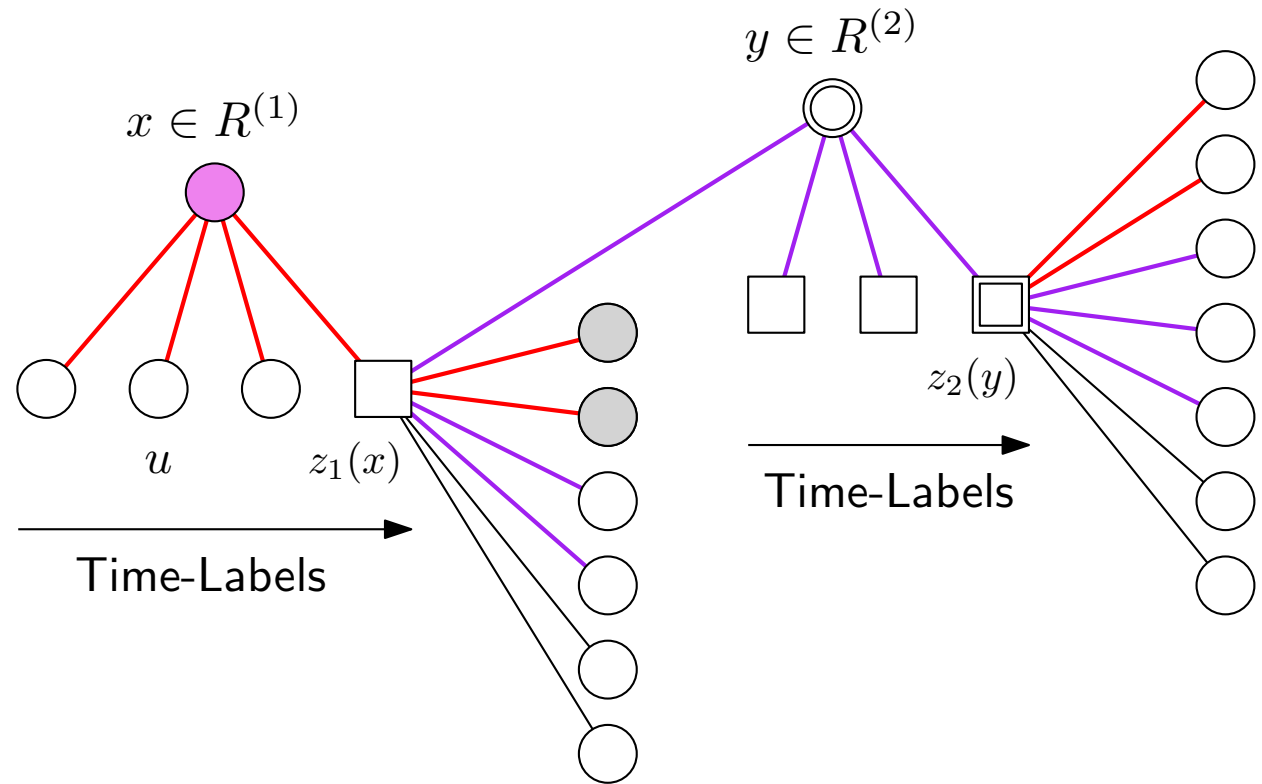
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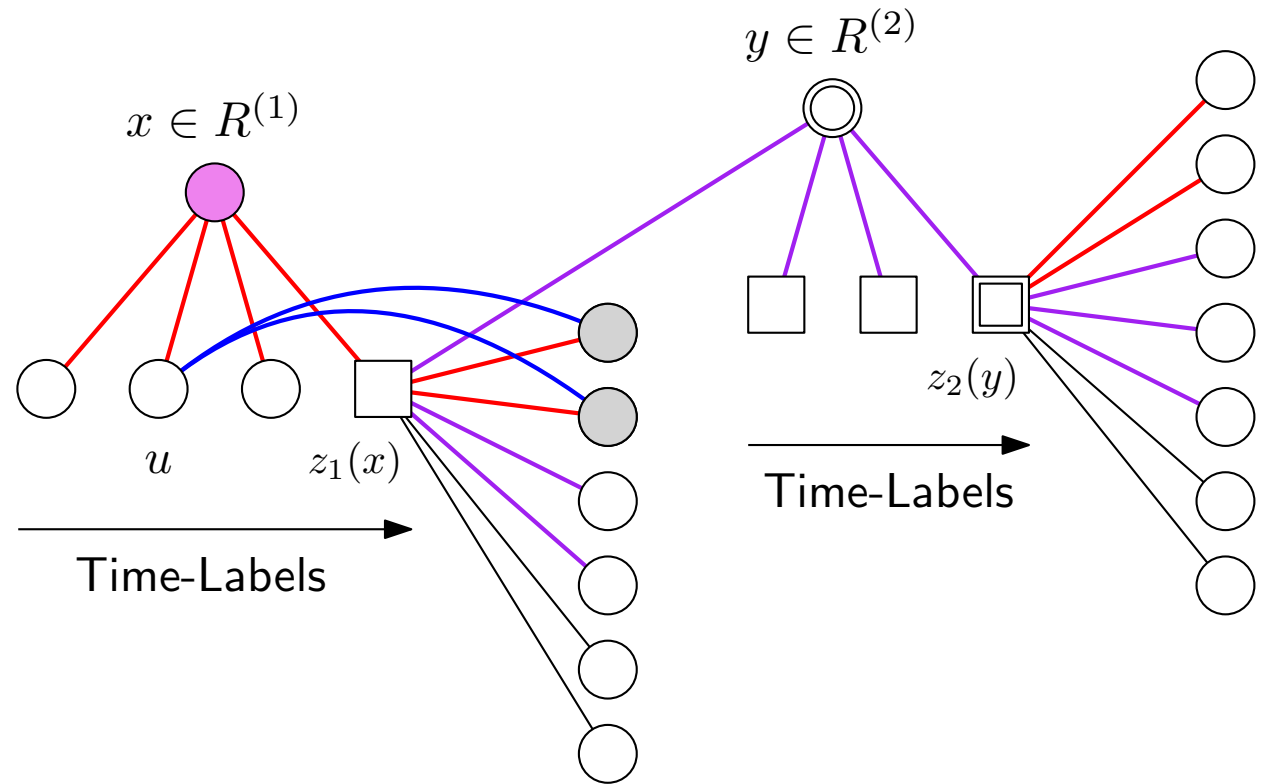
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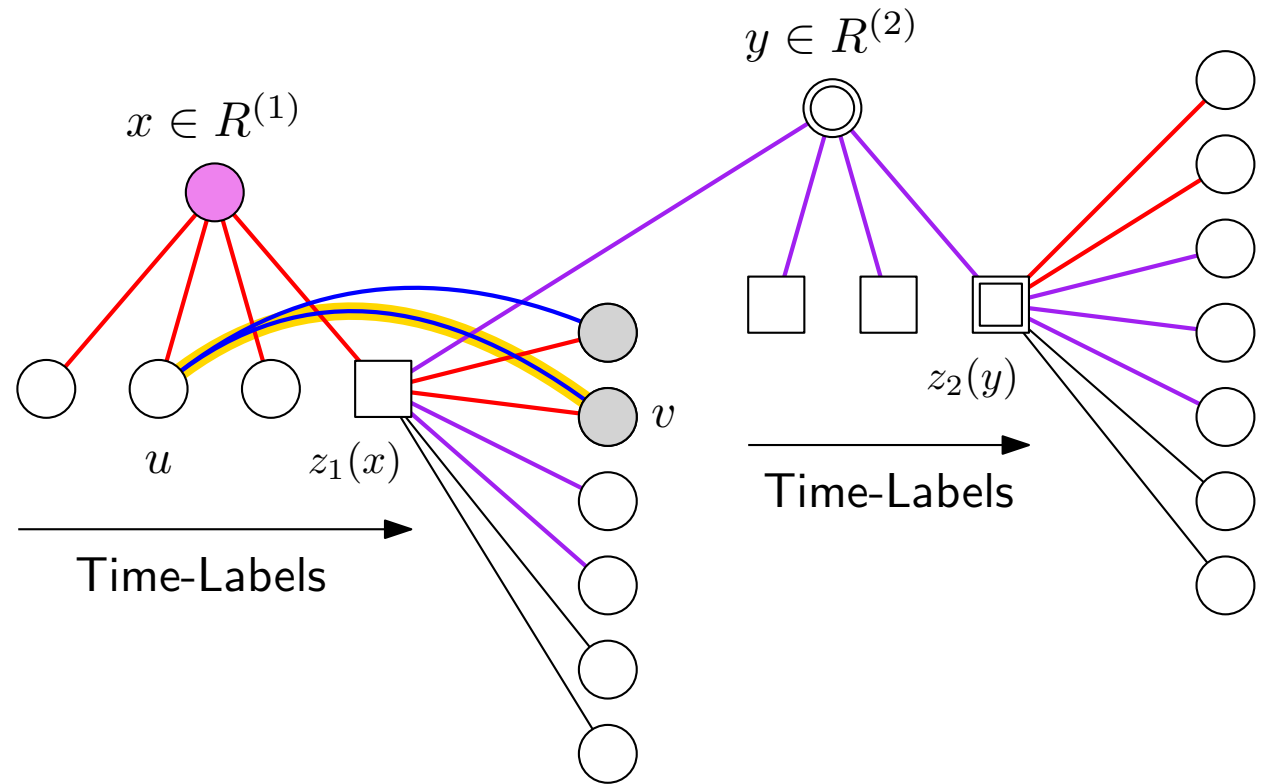
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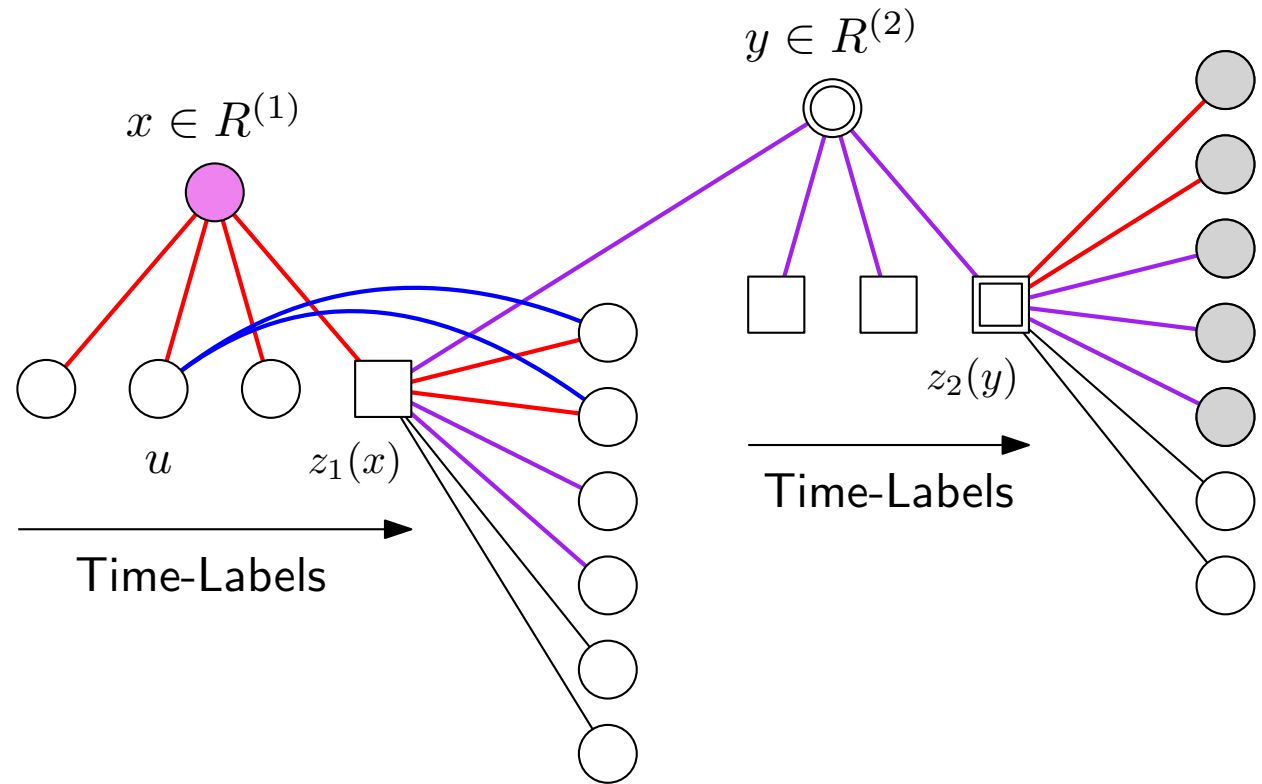
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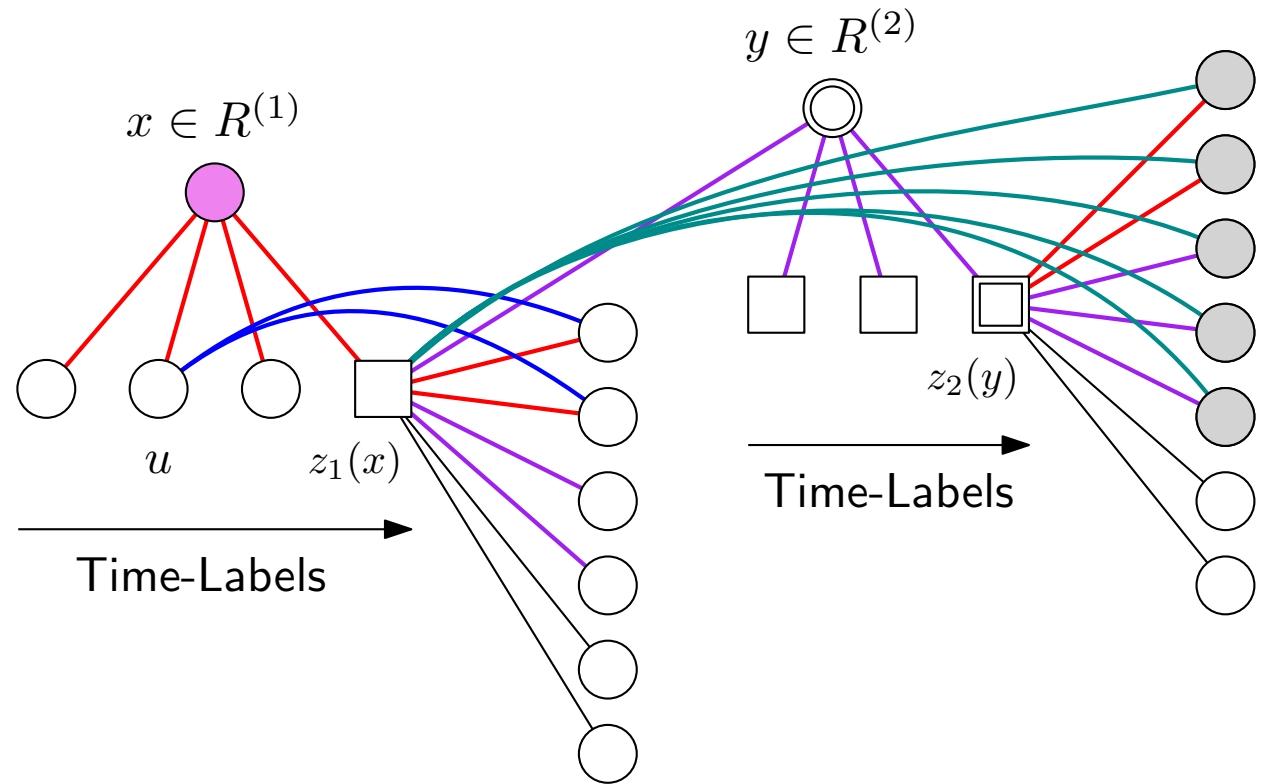
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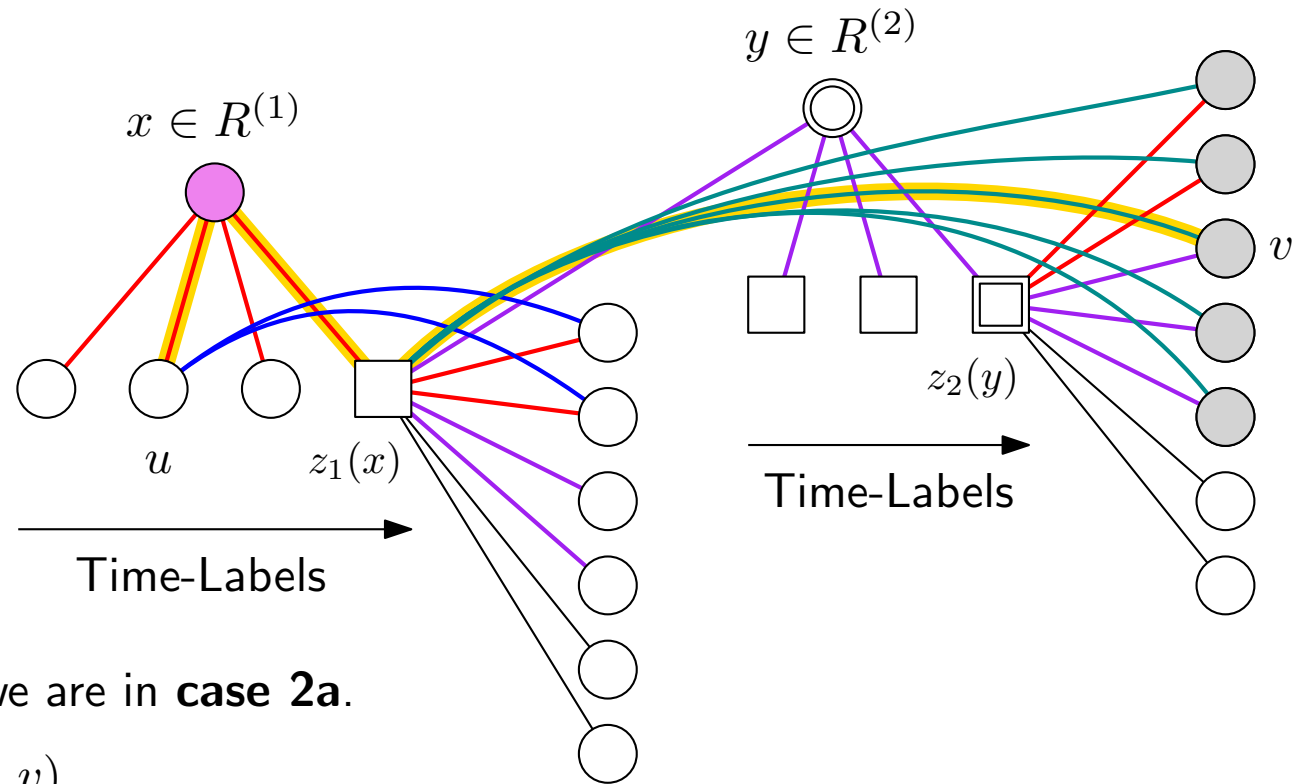
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— If $(z_1(x), v)$ is a **red** edge of z_1 we are in **case 2a**.

— Otherwise $\lambda(x, z_1(x)) \leq \lambda(z_1(x), v)$



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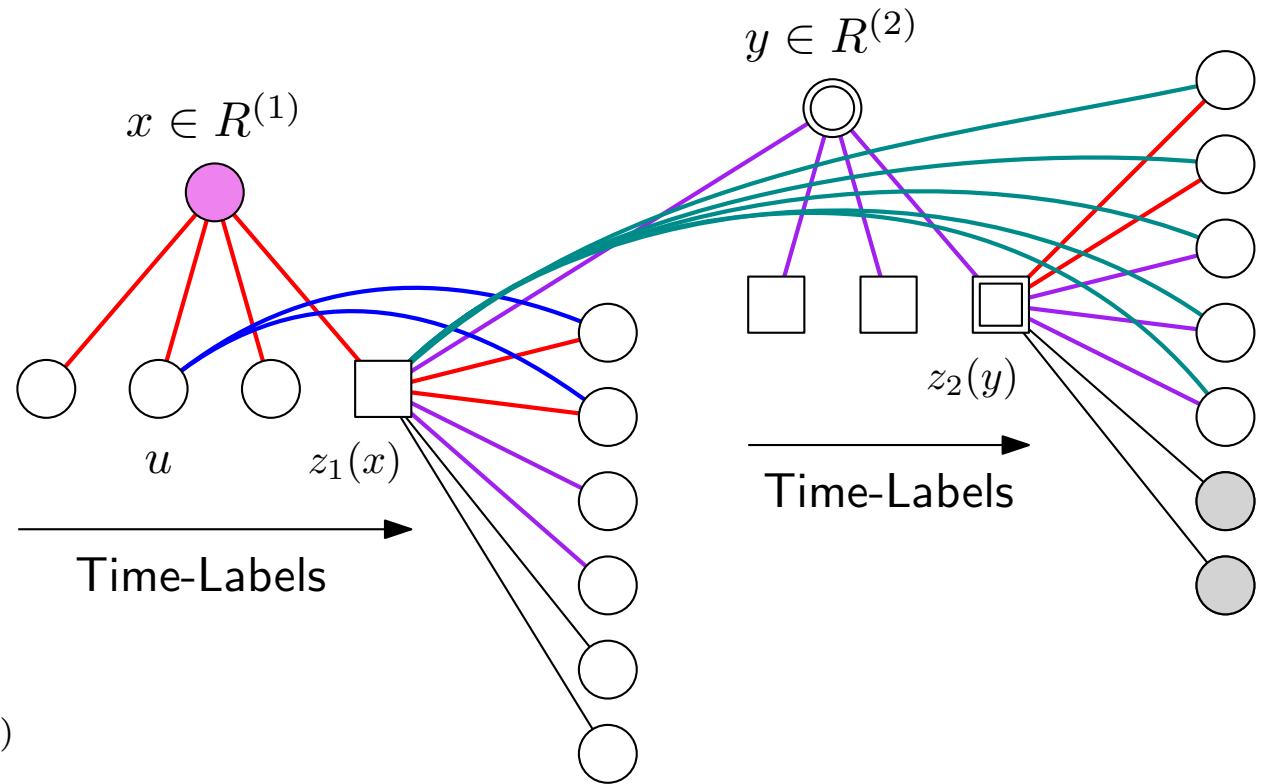
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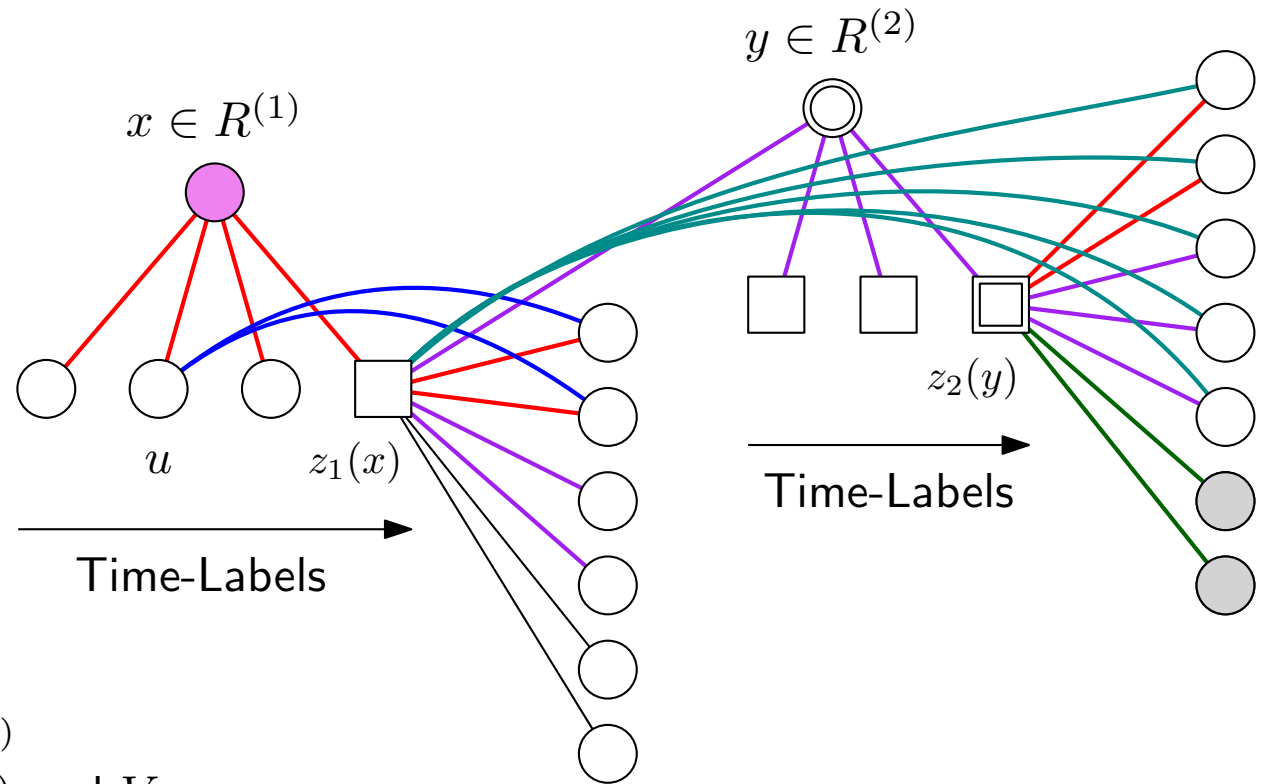
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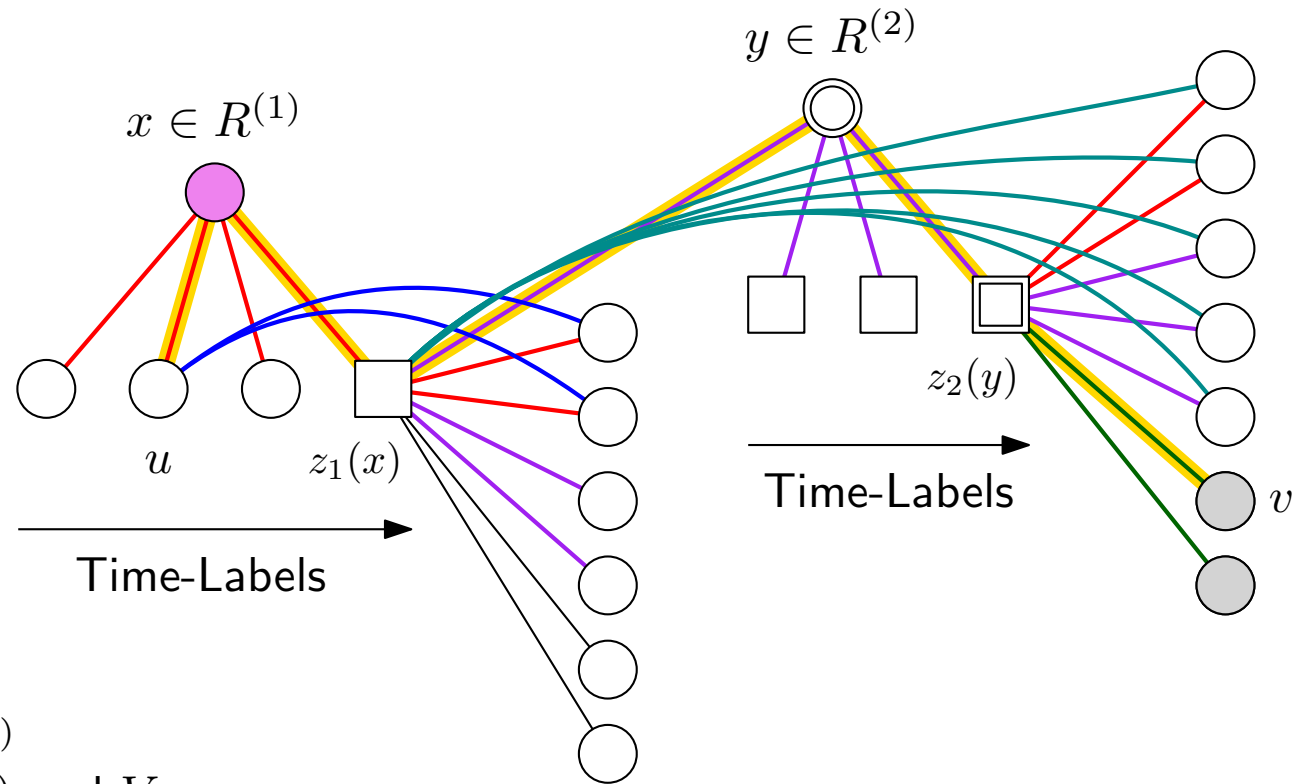
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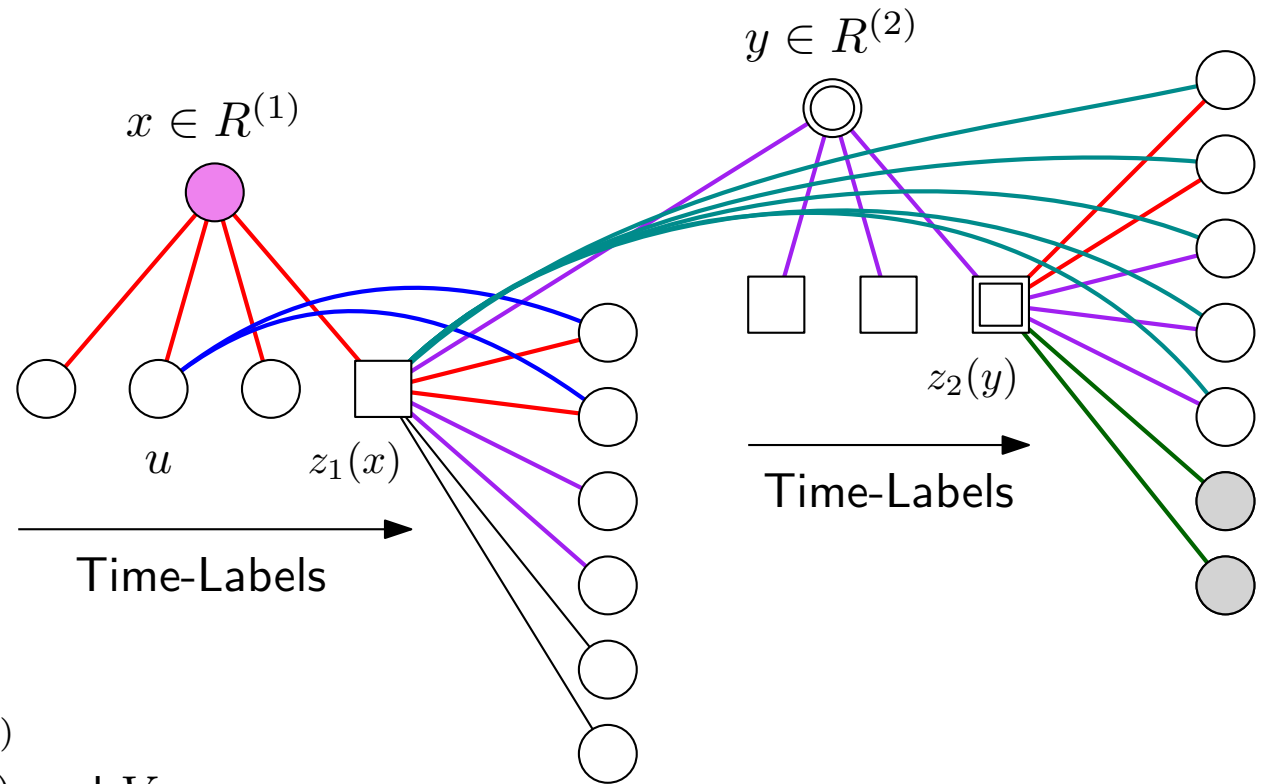
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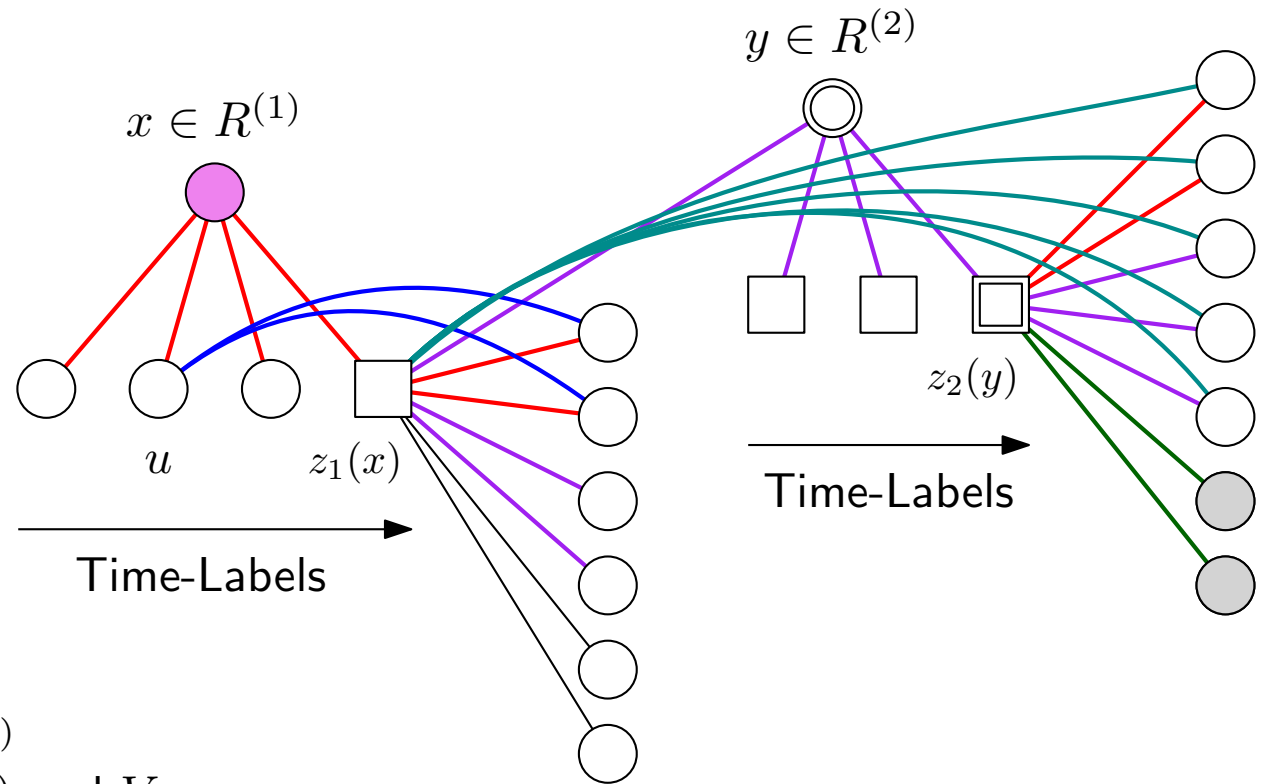
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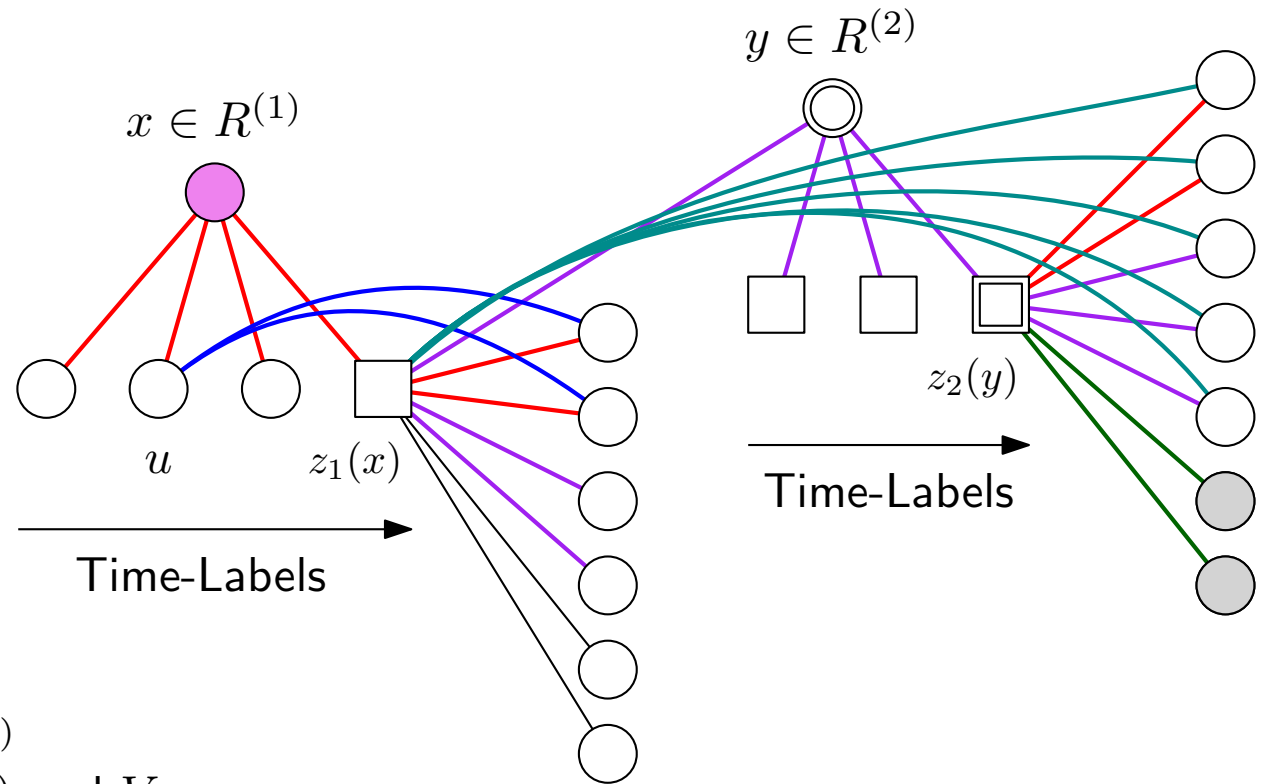
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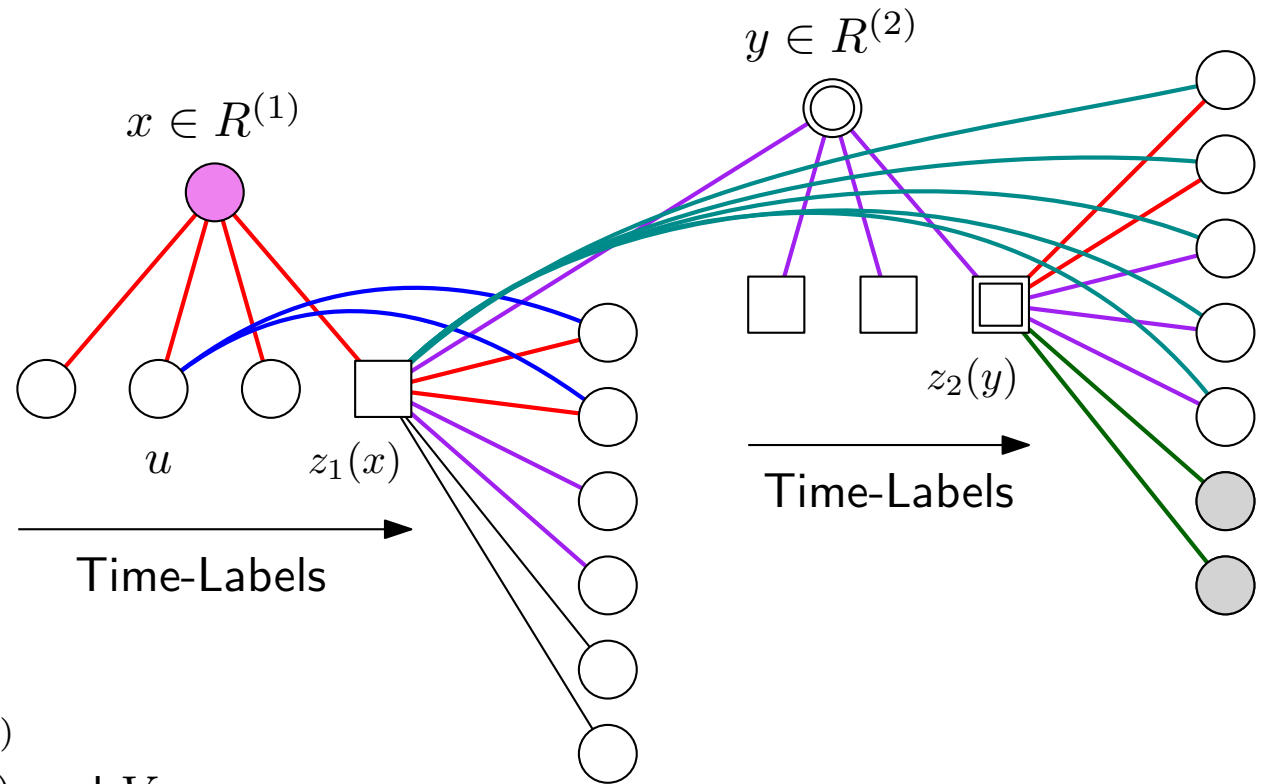
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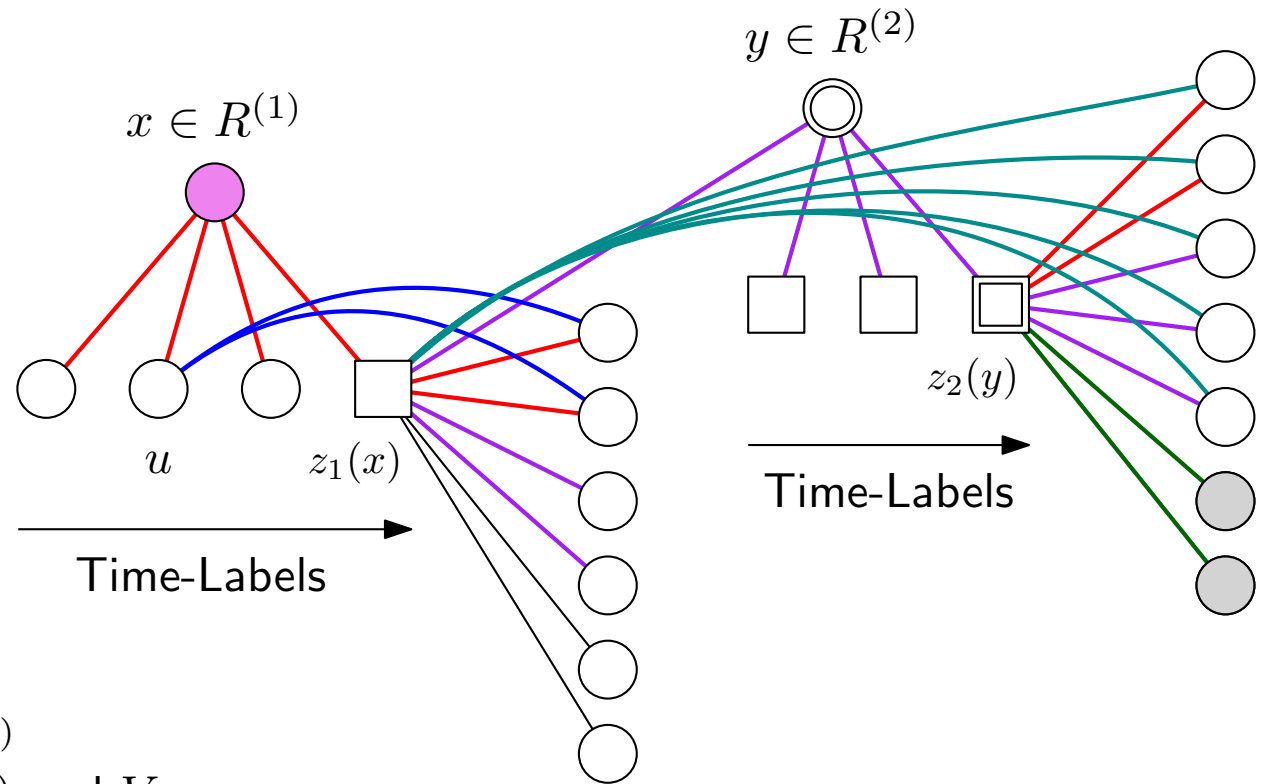
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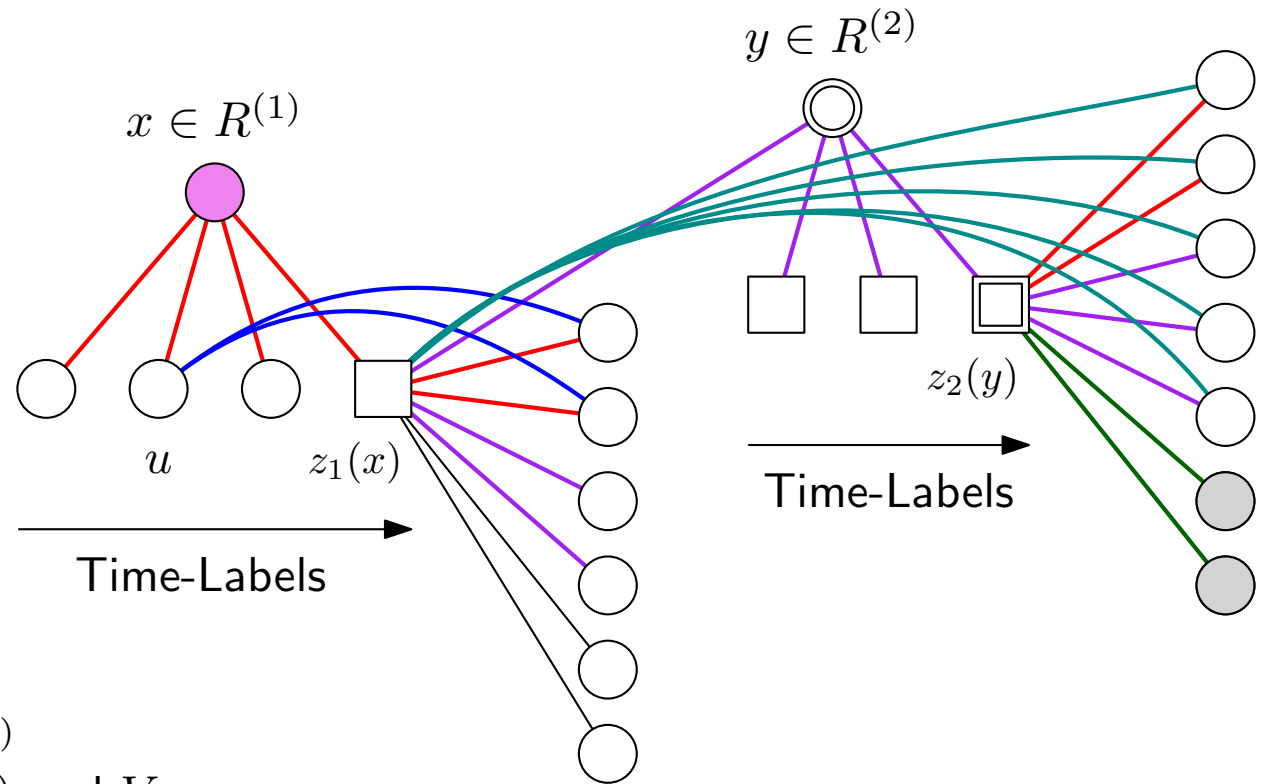
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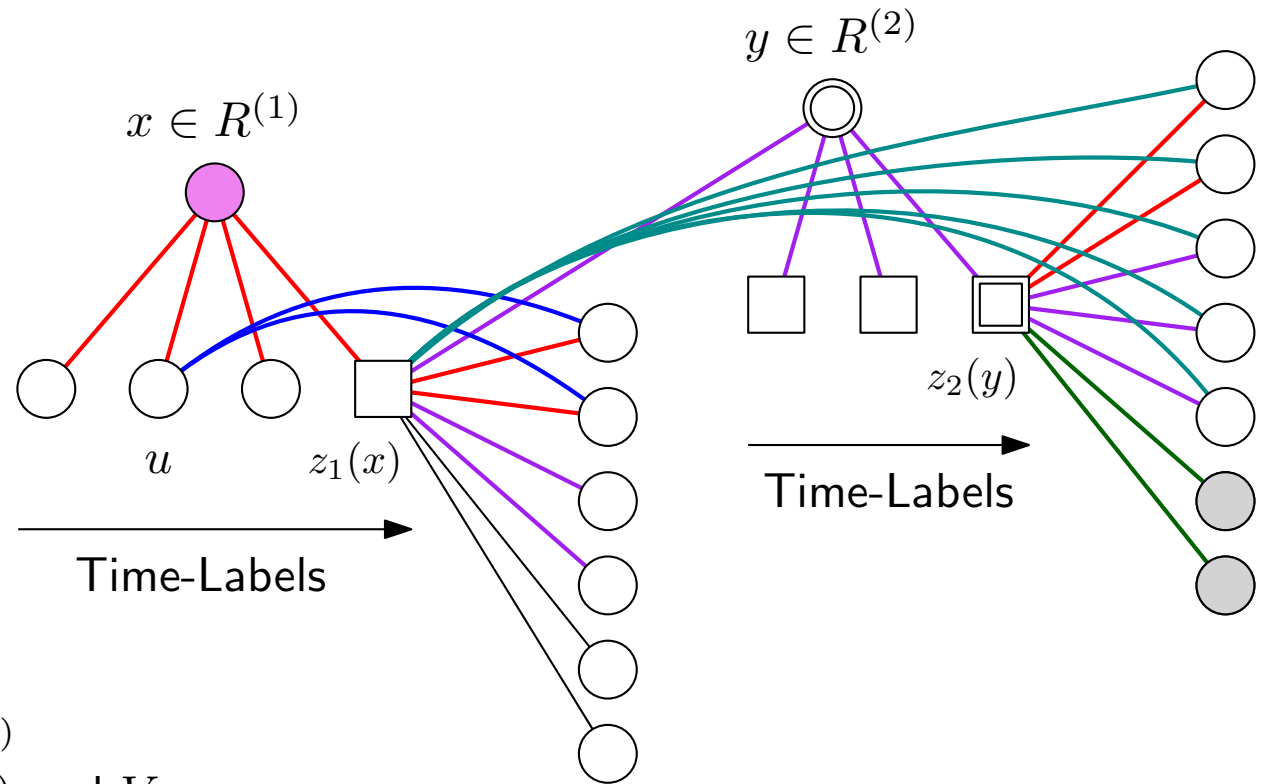
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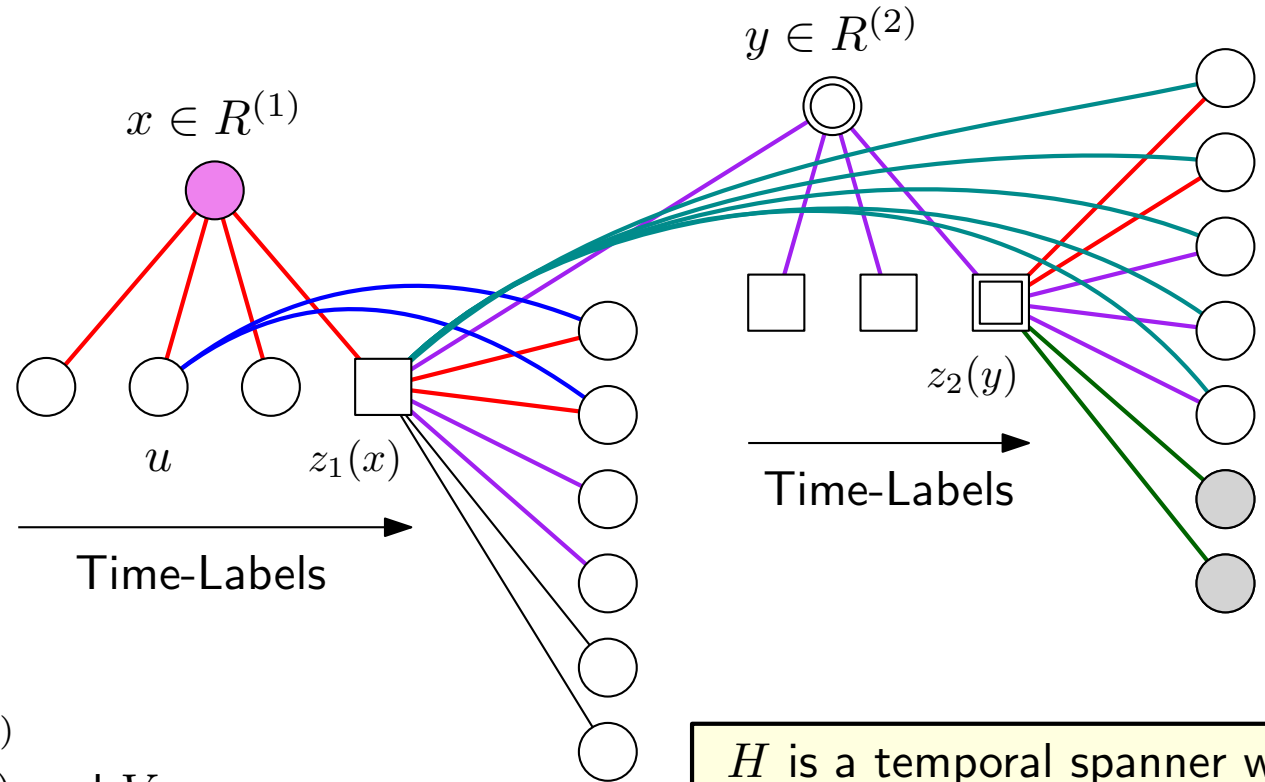
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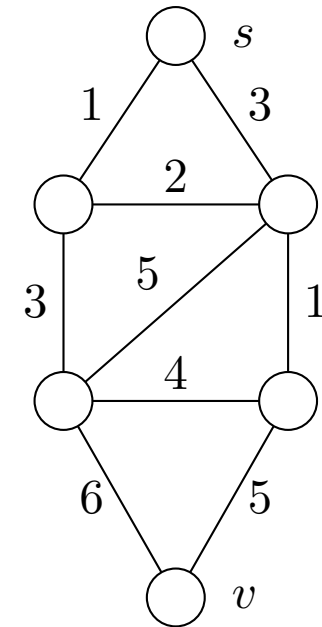
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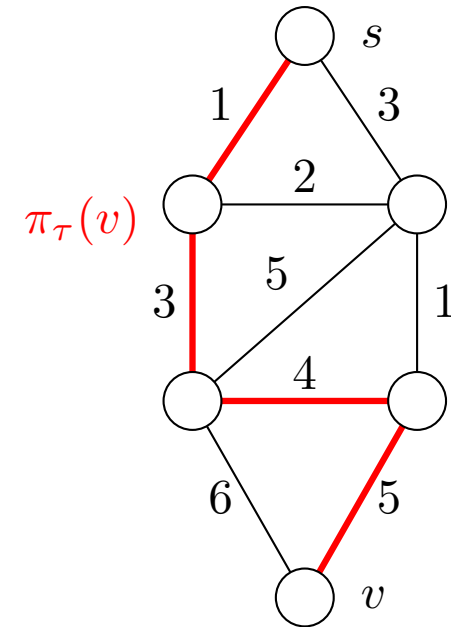


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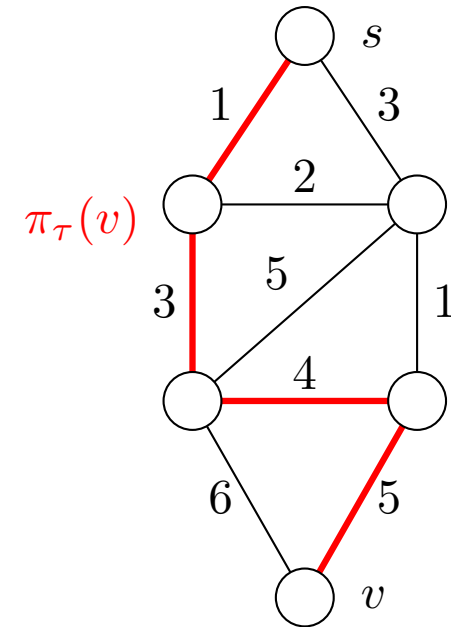
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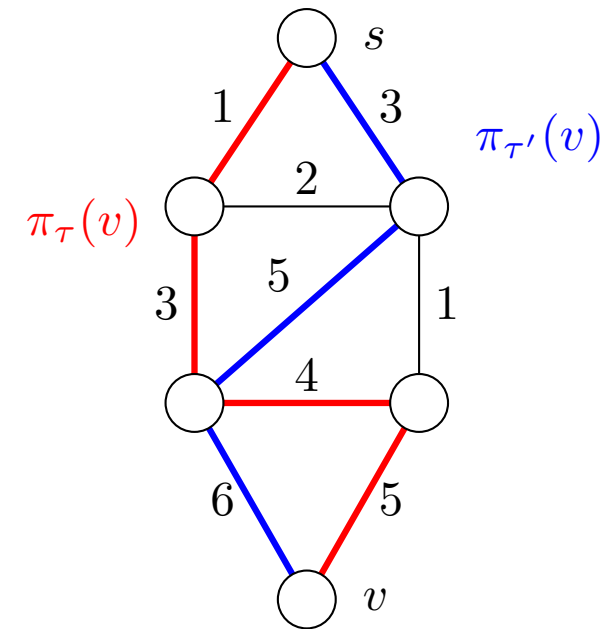
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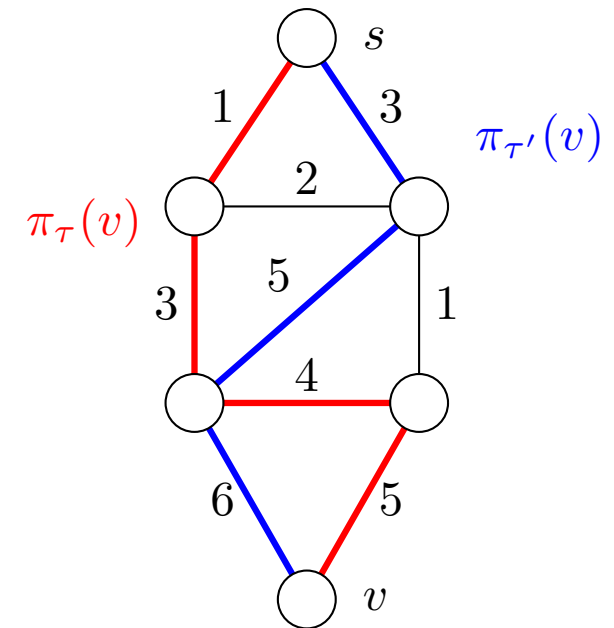
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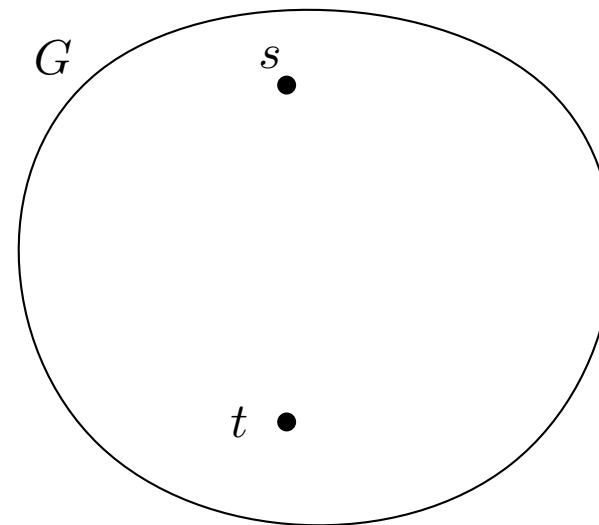
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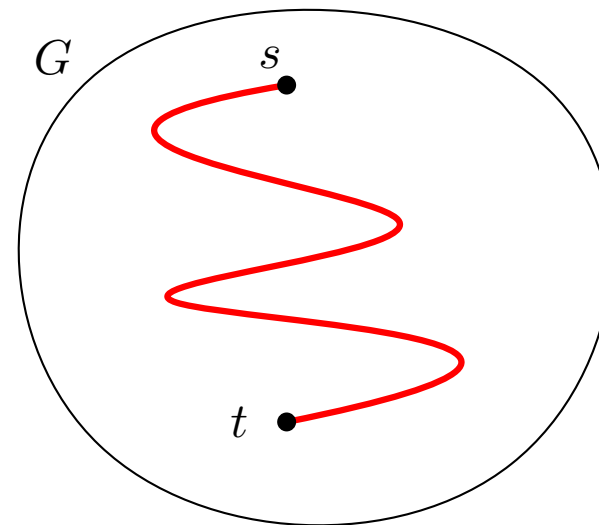
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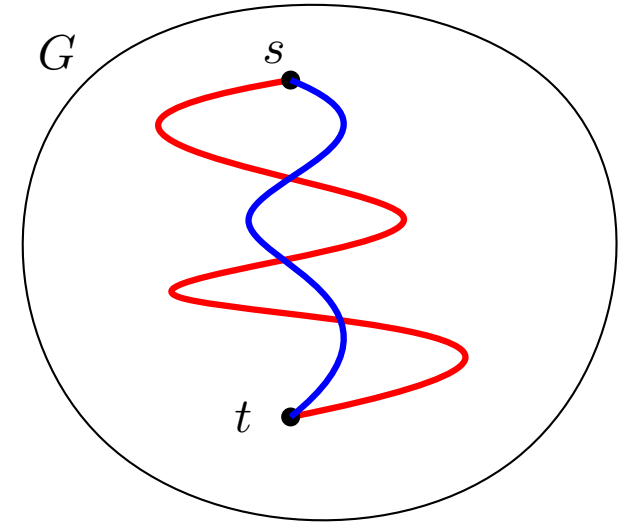
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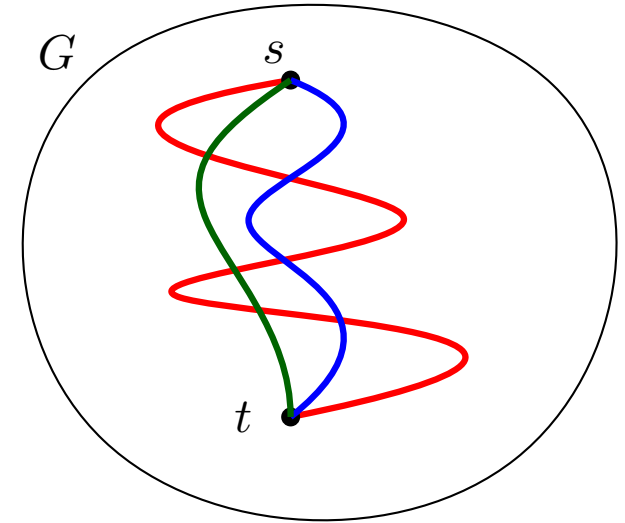
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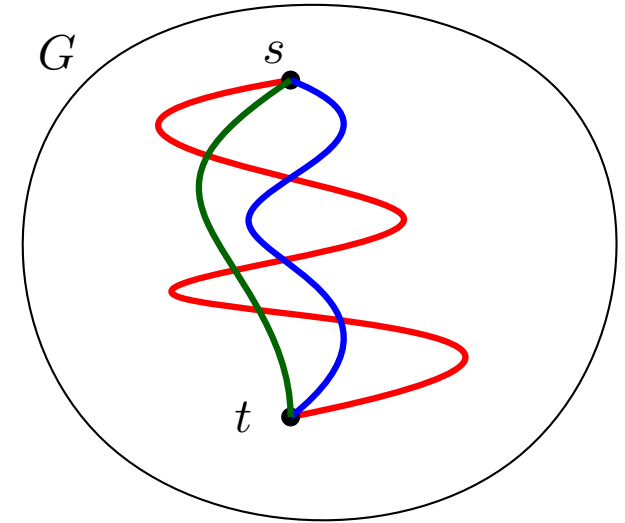
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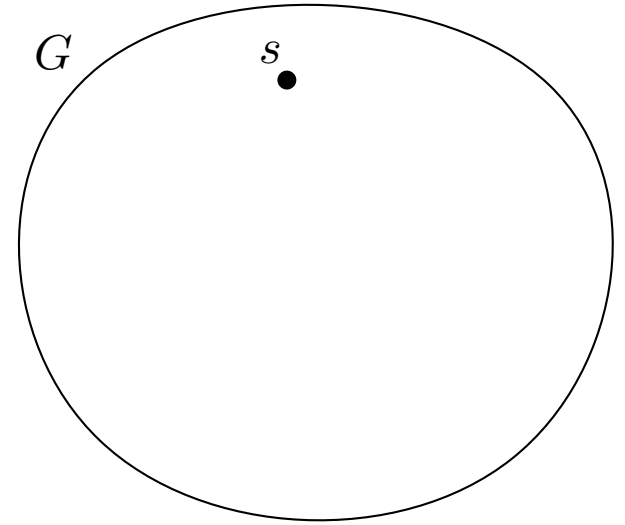
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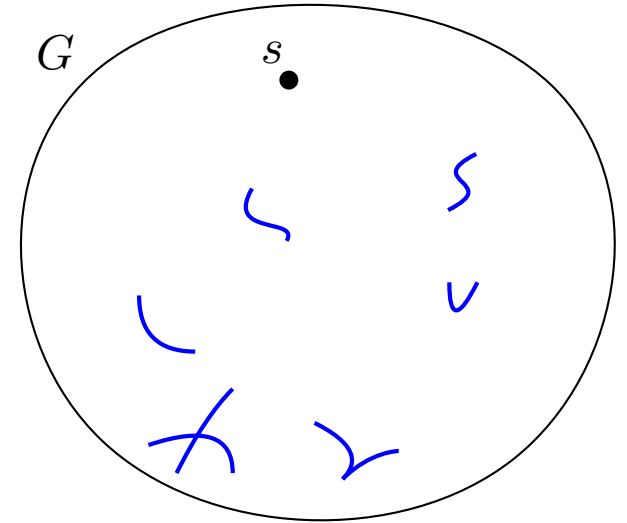
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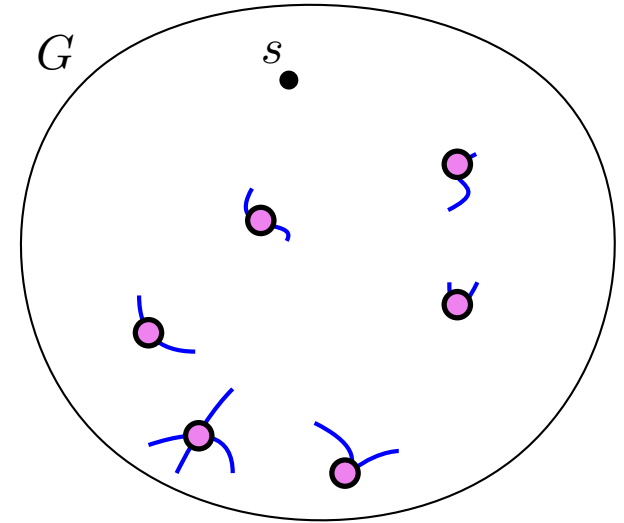
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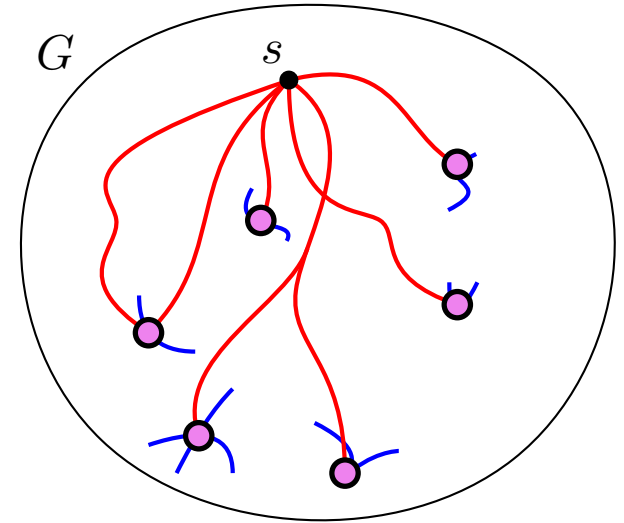
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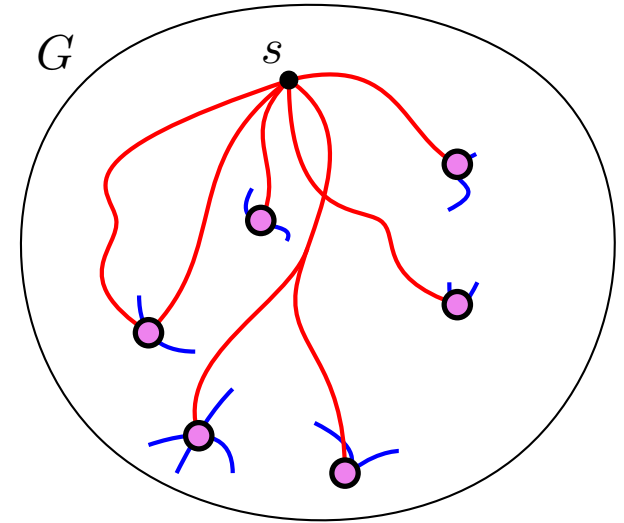
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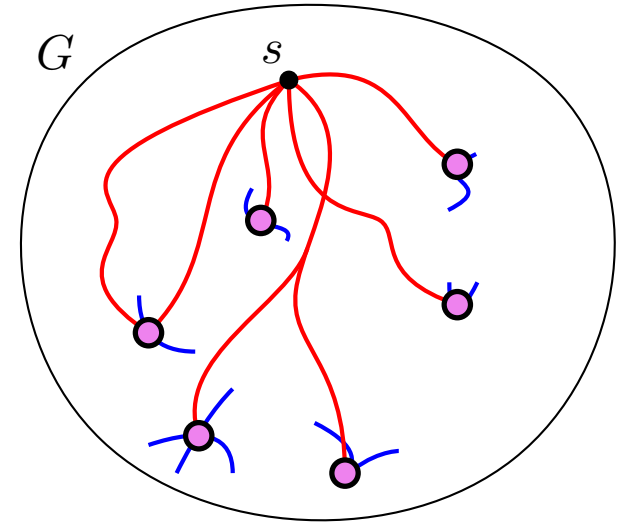
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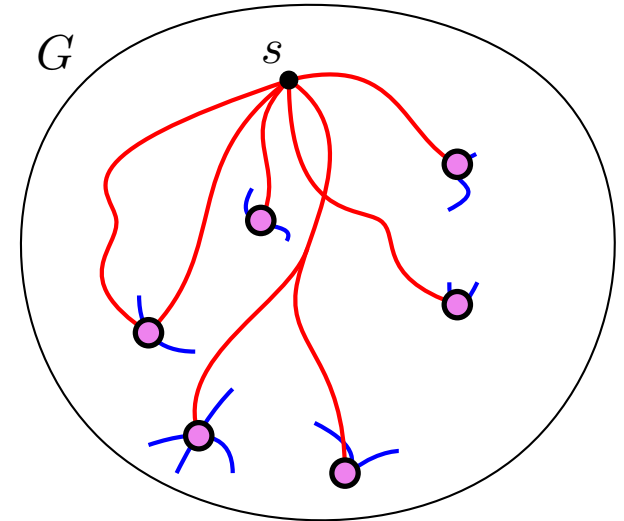
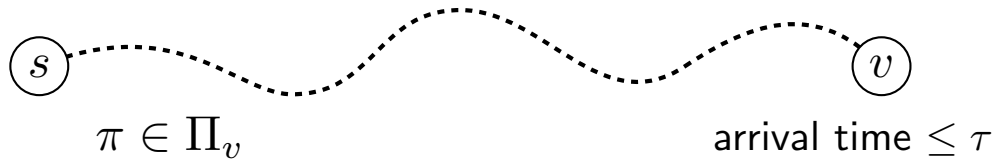
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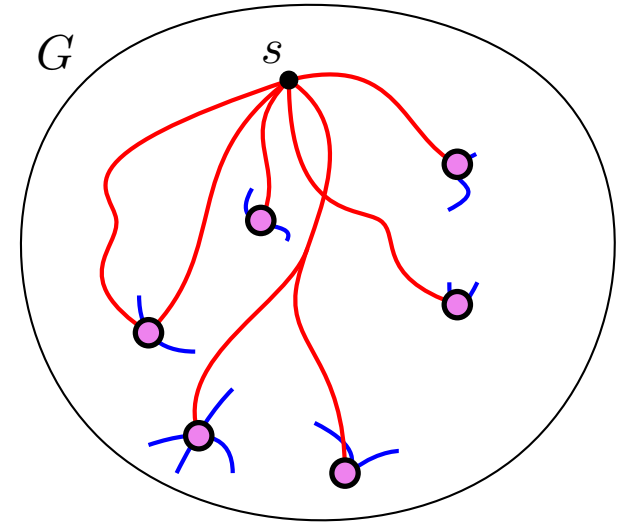
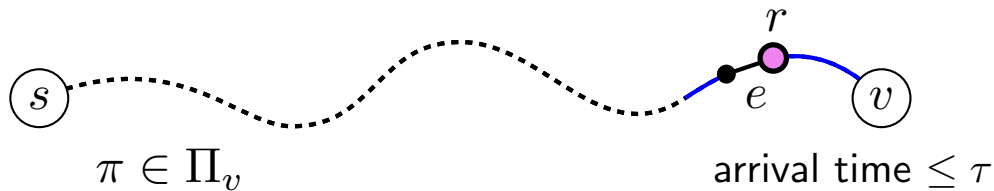
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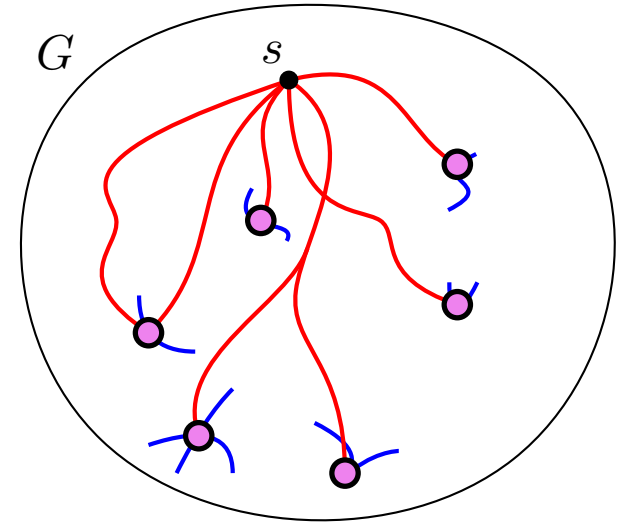
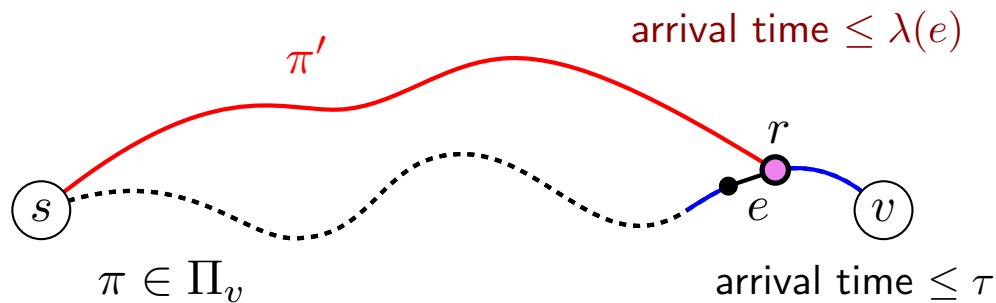
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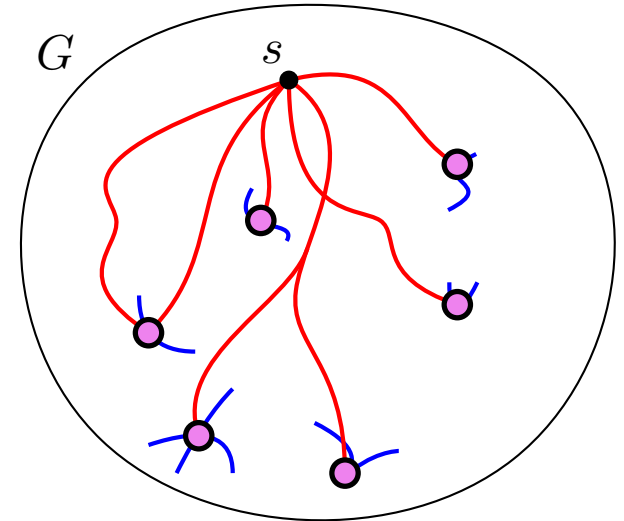
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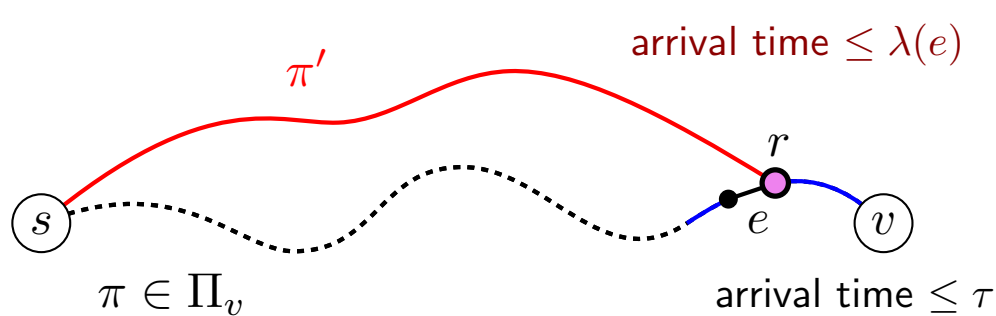
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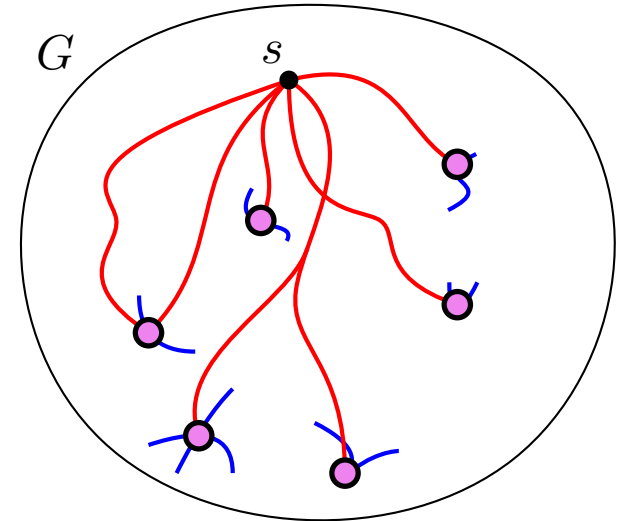
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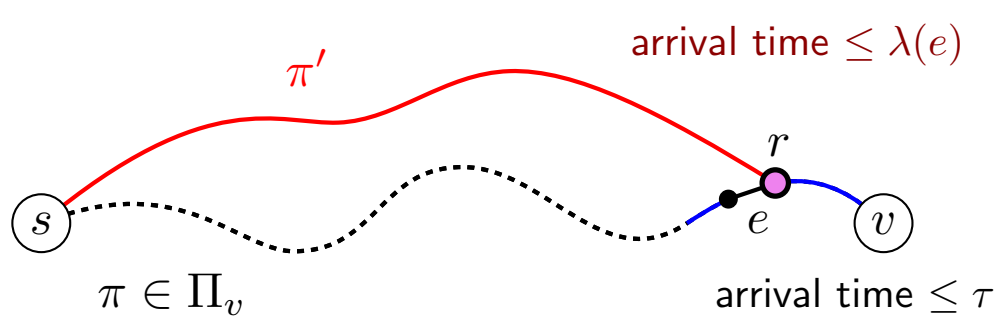
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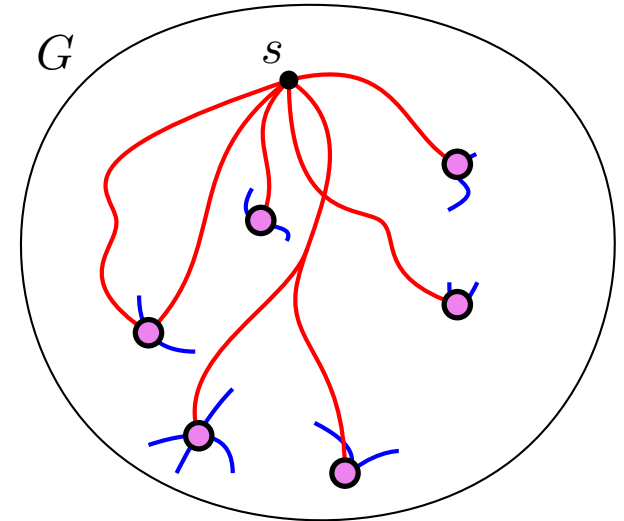
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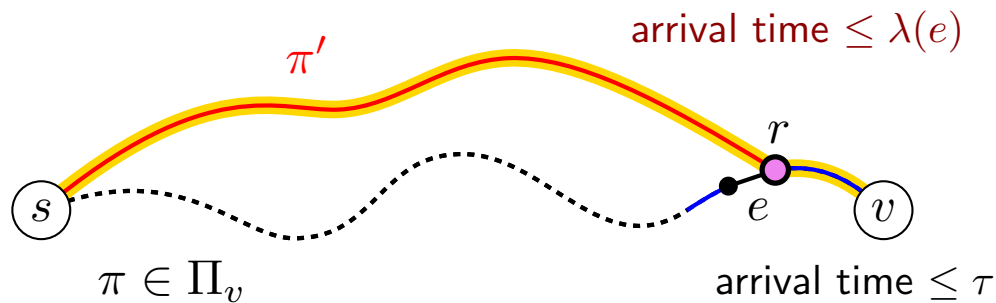
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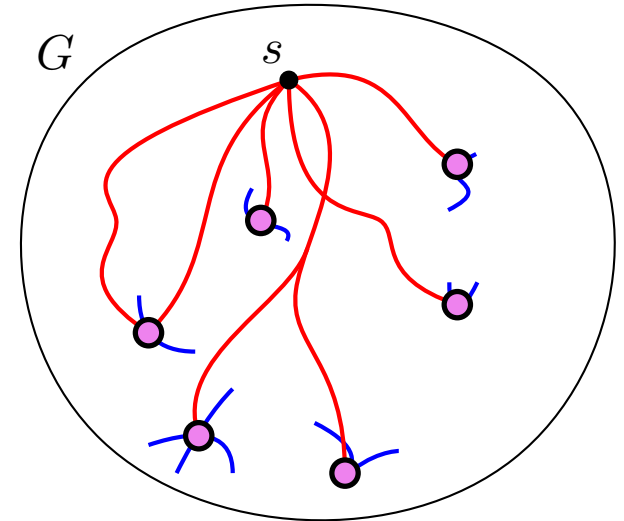
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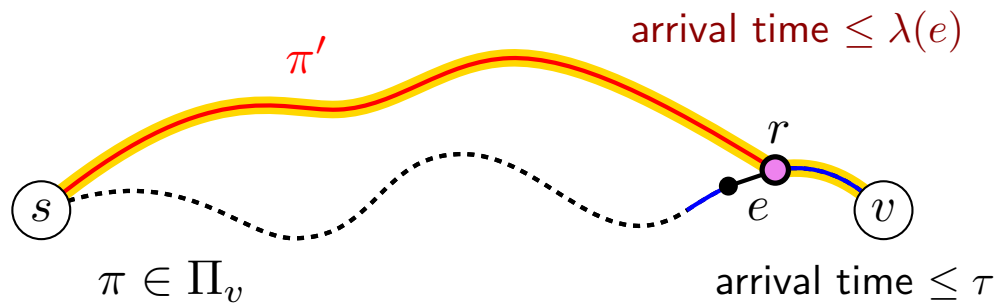
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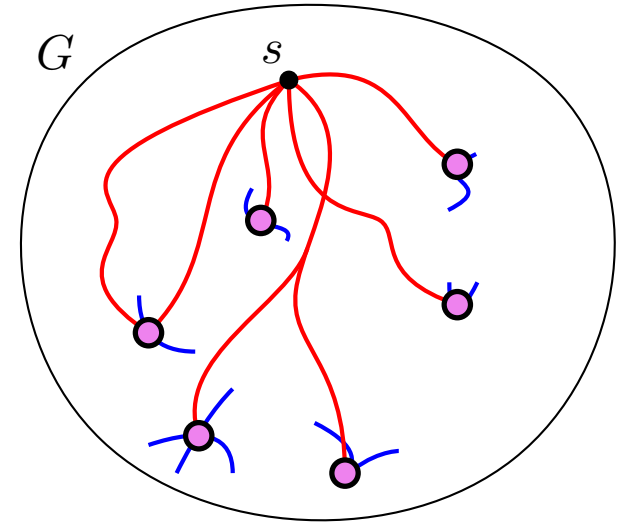
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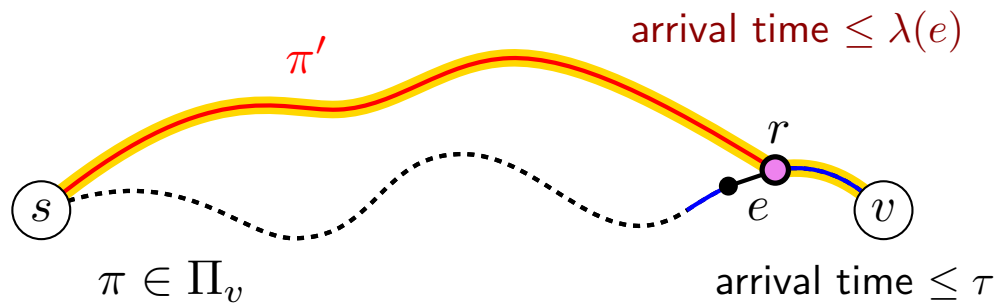
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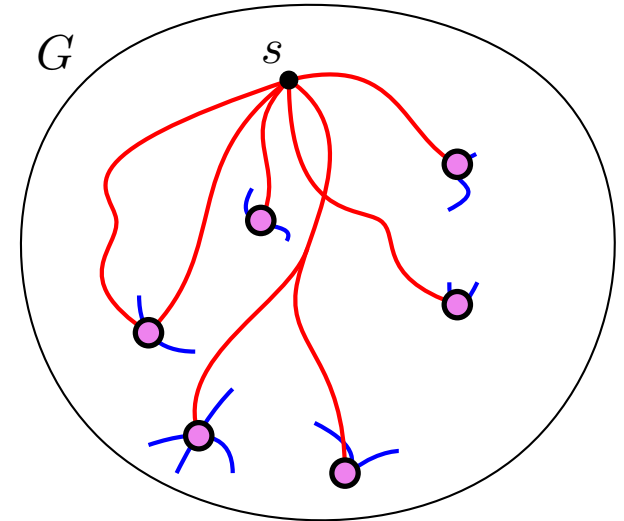
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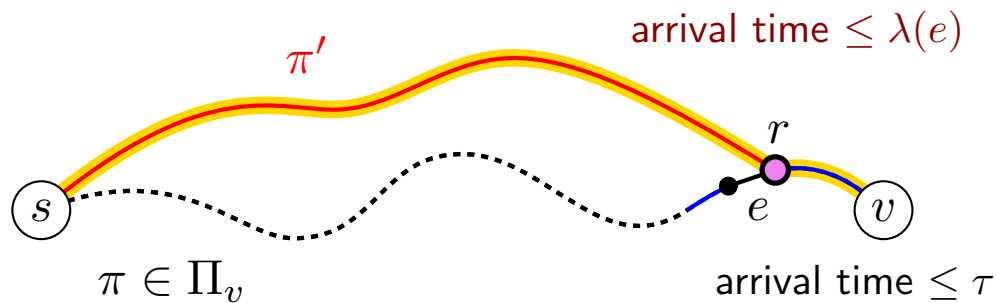
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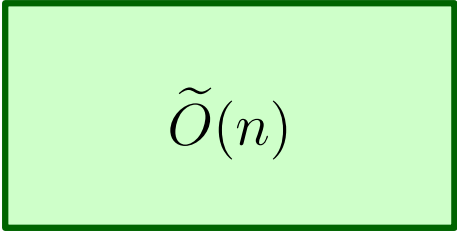
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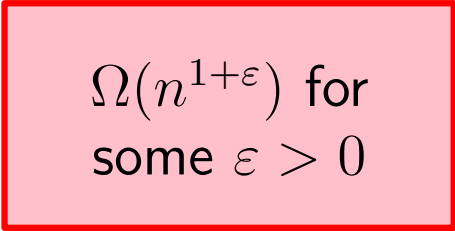
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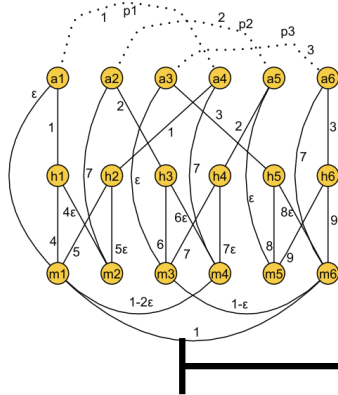
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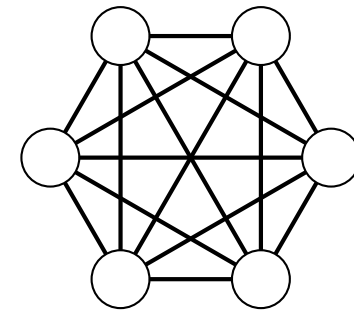
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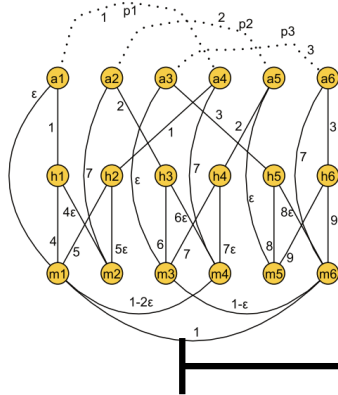
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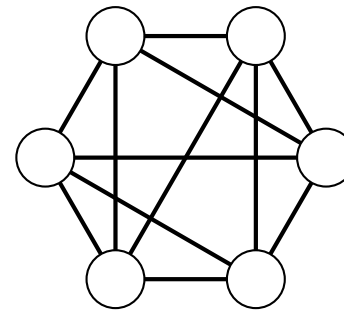
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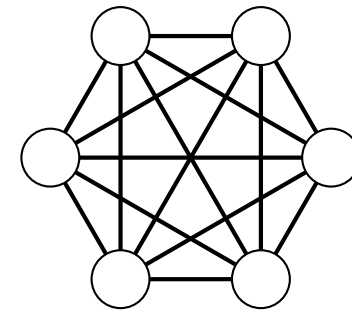
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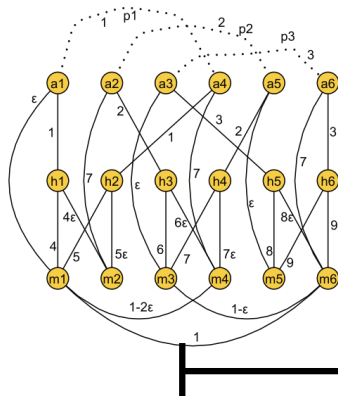
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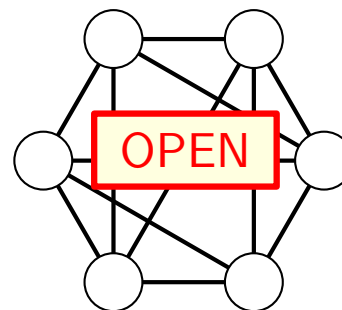
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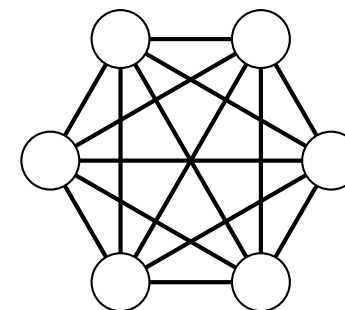
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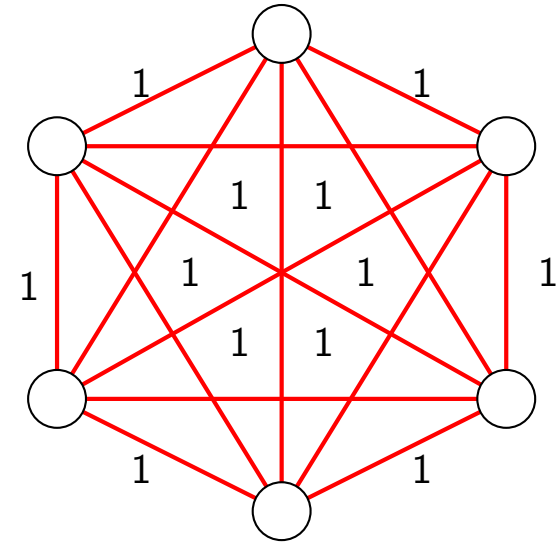
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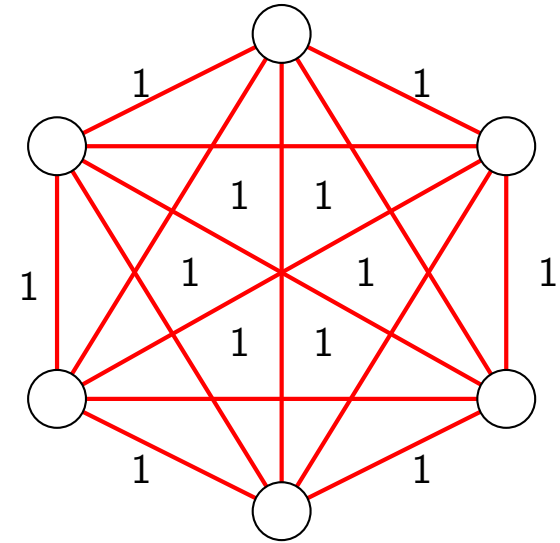
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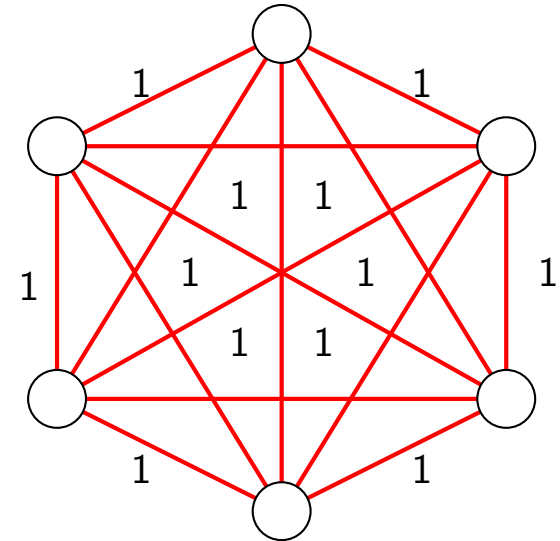
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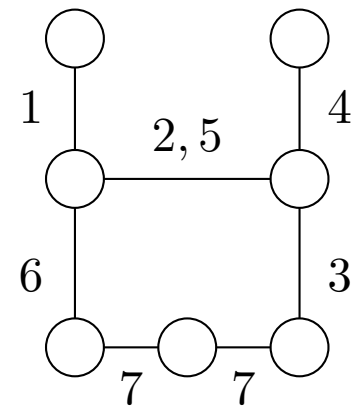
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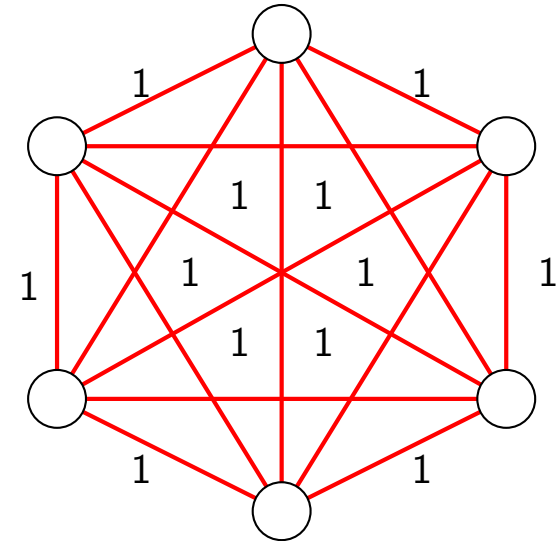
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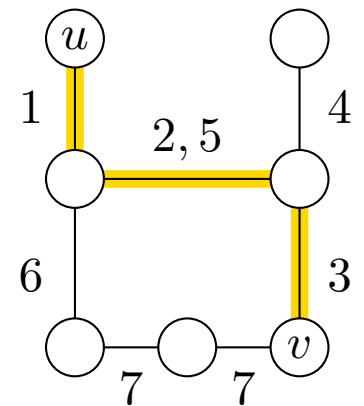
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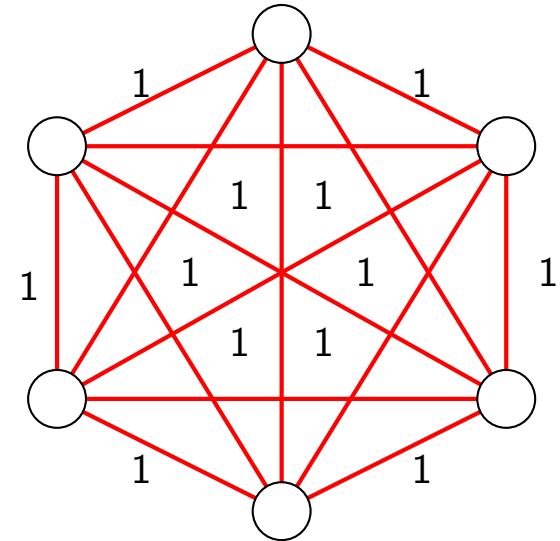
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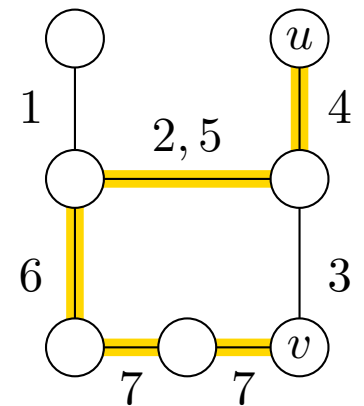
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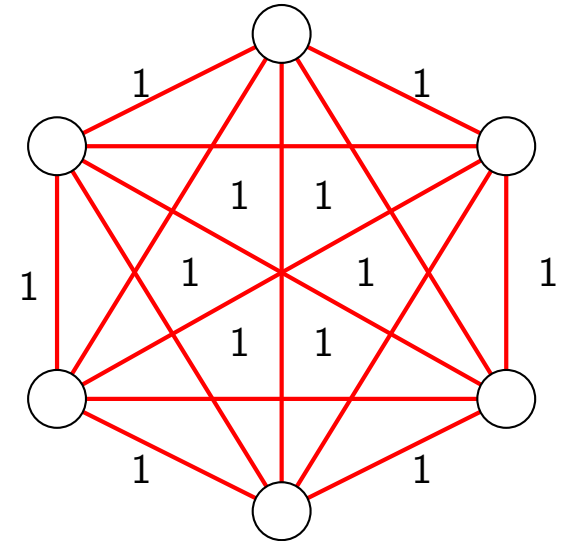
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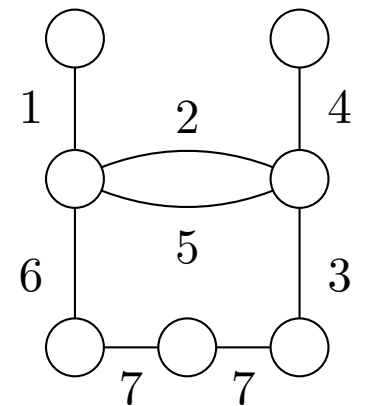
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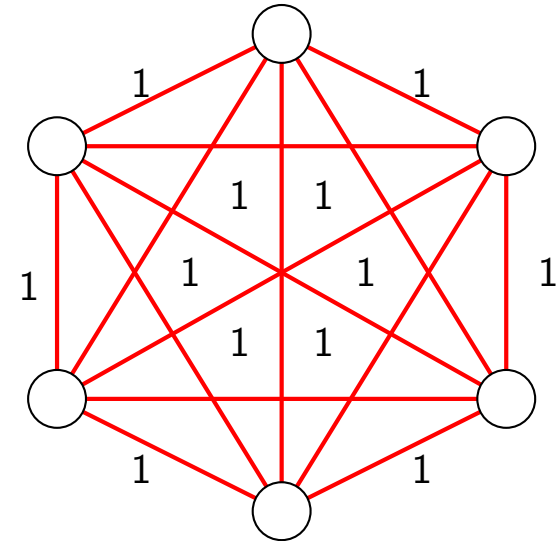
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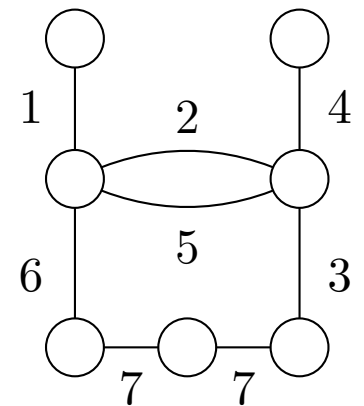


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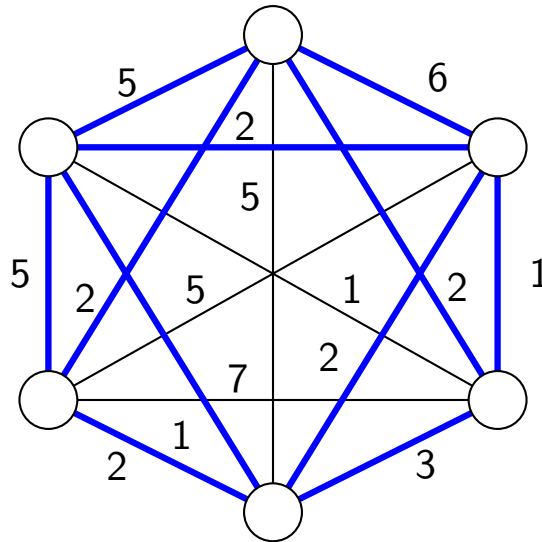
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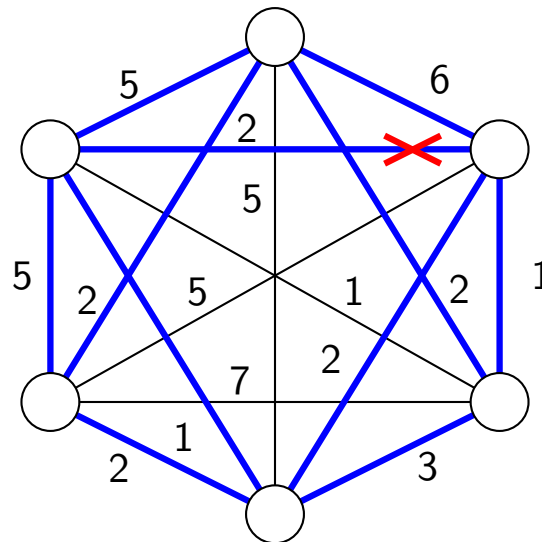
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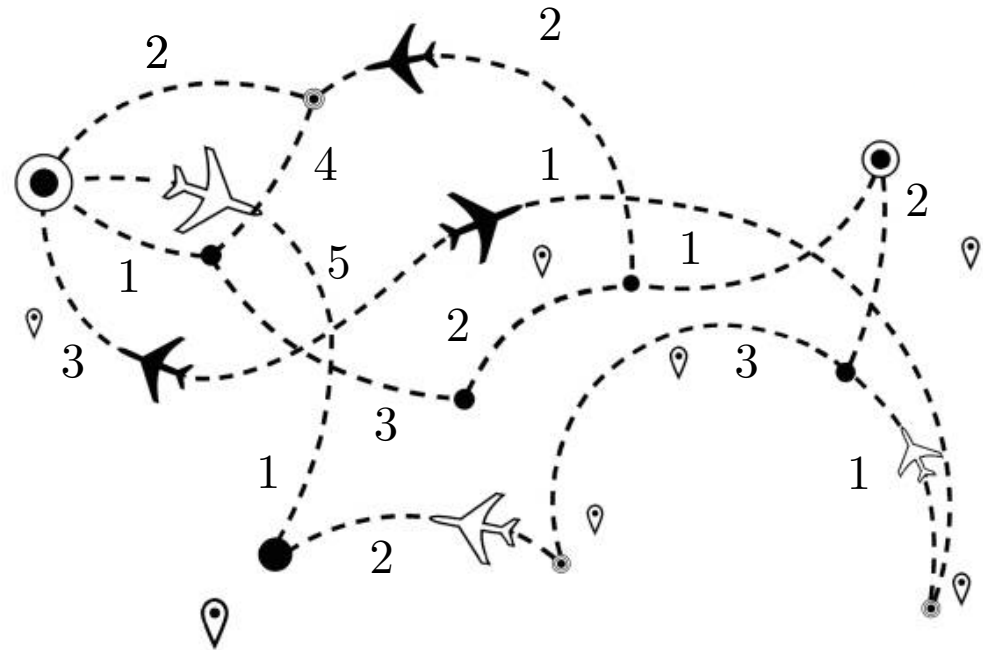
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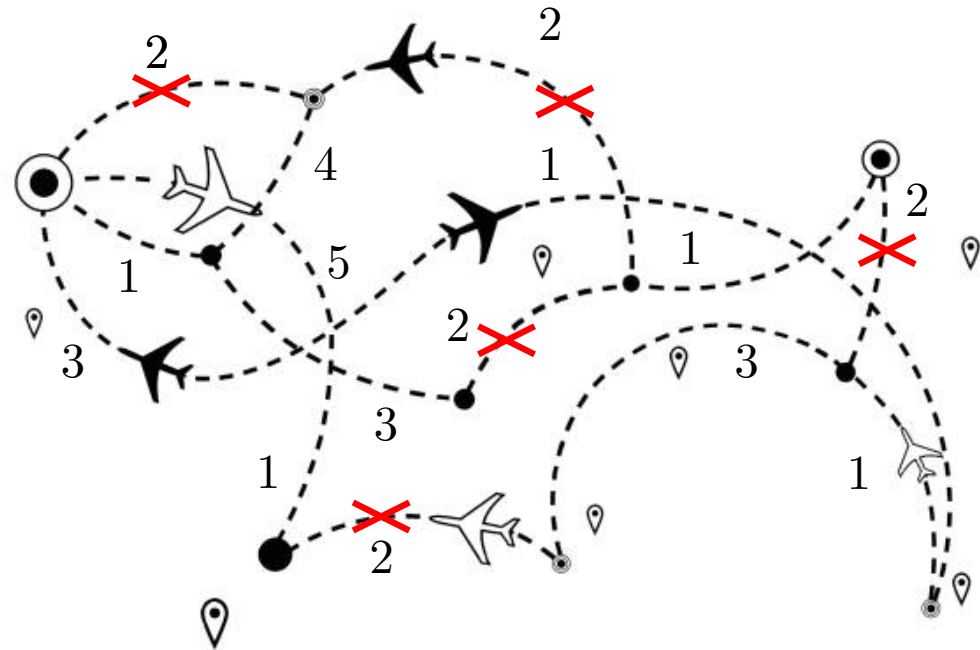


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