

# CTU Open 2022

Presentation of solutions

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- ▶ We can remove the optimal number of splits with each operation.
  - ▶ Use the operation on the second block.
  - ▶ If only two blocks remain, than it's final move.
  - ▶ Otherwise we remove two splits.
- ▶ Answer is half the number of splits rounded up.

Patio

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- ▶ The pavement must use  $k^2$  tiles for some integer  $k \geq 3$ .
- ▶  $k^2 \leq n$
- ▶  $k \leq \sqrt{n}$ , thus need to try only  $\sqrt{n}$  different sizes.
- ▶ In total, only  $n \cdot \sqrt{n}$  candidates for the nice pavement.
- ▶ Solution in time  $\mathcal{O}(n \cdot \sqrt{n})$  will pass easily.
  
- ▶ Let  $r$  be the number of red tiles in the block,  $b$  be the number of blue ones.
- ▶ The block is valid if  $r = (k - 2)^2$  and  $b = 4k - 4$  (or with  $r$  and  $b$  swapped).
- ▶ Try all values  $3 \leq k \leq \sqrt{n}$  and all starting positions.
- ▶ Quickly maintain the values of  $r$  and  $b$ .

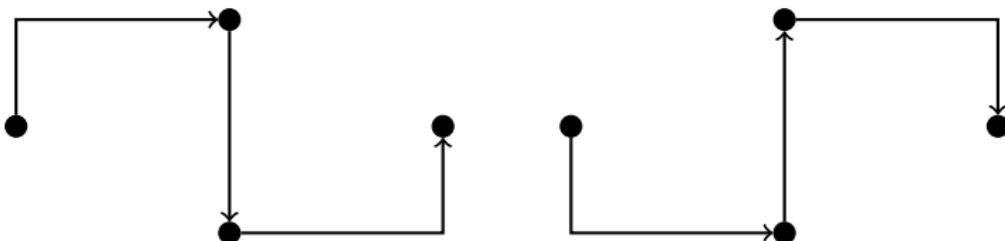
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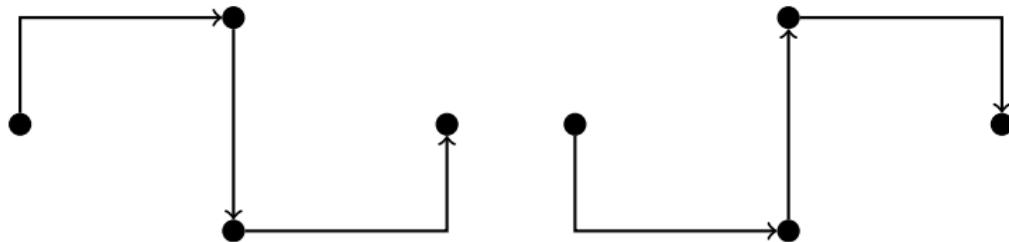
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- ▶ We can build DAG from each of the bottommost/topmost node of each  $x$  coordinate to the bottommost/topmost node of the following  $x$  coordinate.
- ▶ Use dynamic programming:  $\mathcal{O}(N)$
- ▶ Alternatively use Dijkstra:  $\mathcal{O}(N \log_2(N))$

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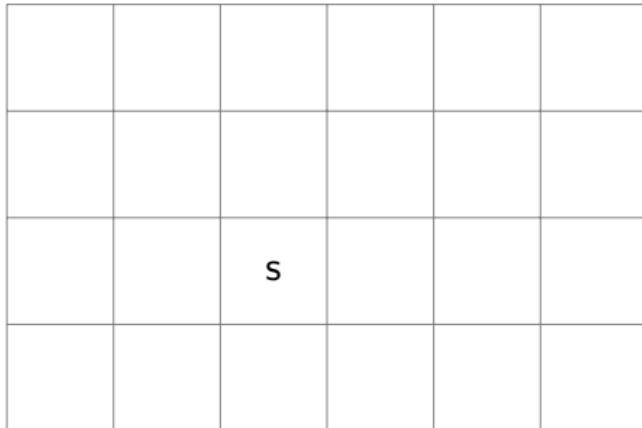
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- ▶ This can be further optimized if you jump through bought items only if you build one.
- ▶ To do this you can build some kind of "next" array.
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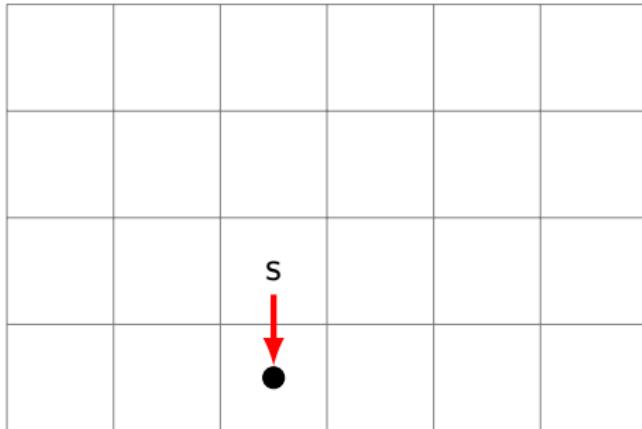
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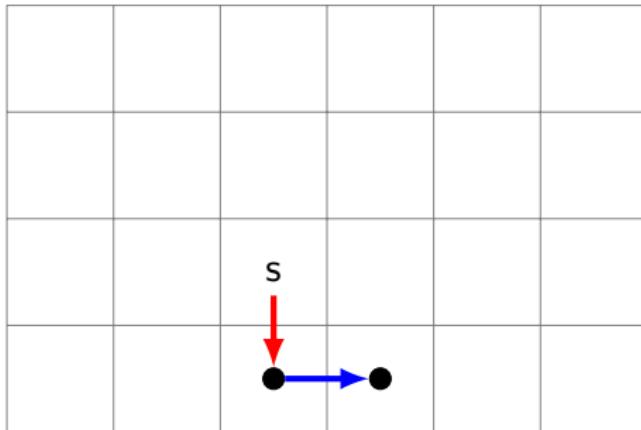
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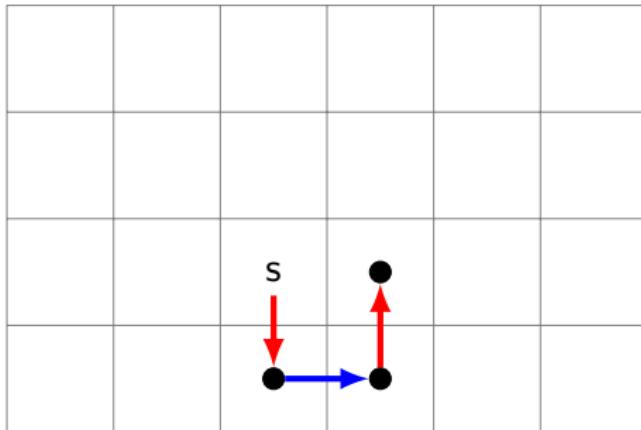
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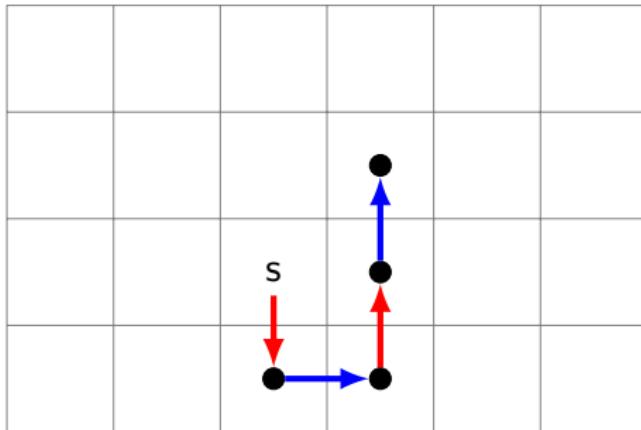
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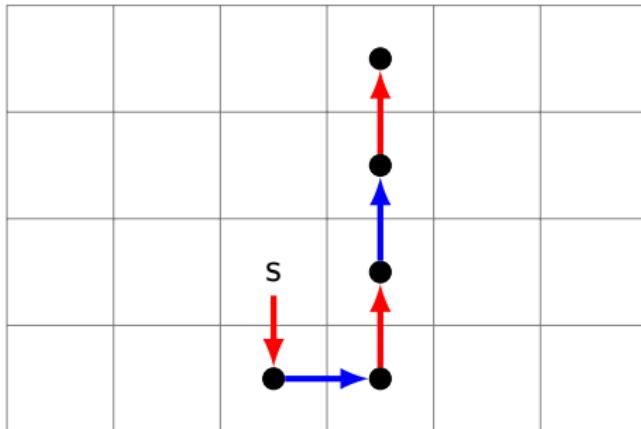
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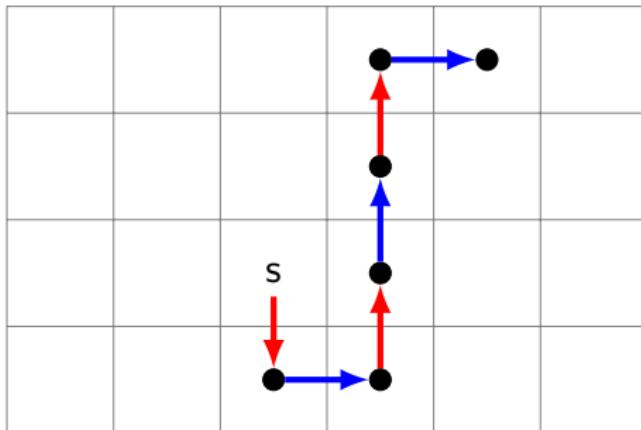
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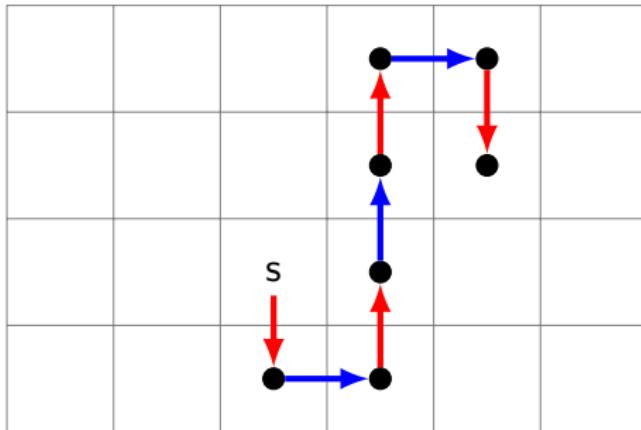
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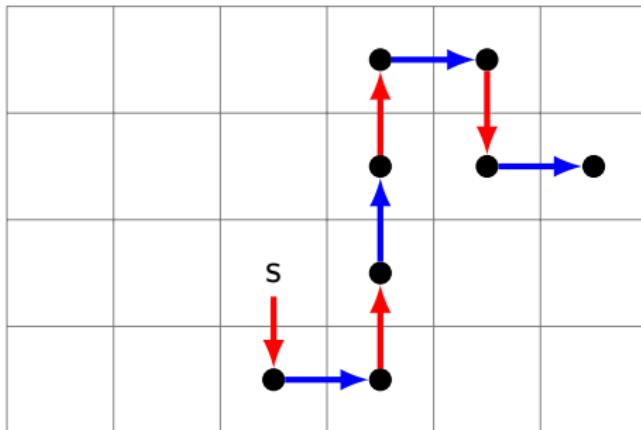
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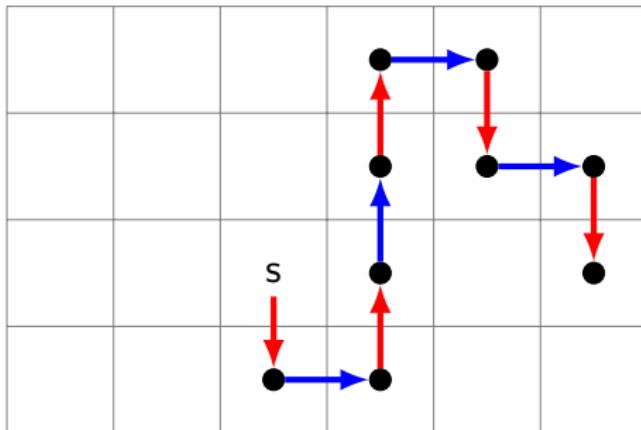
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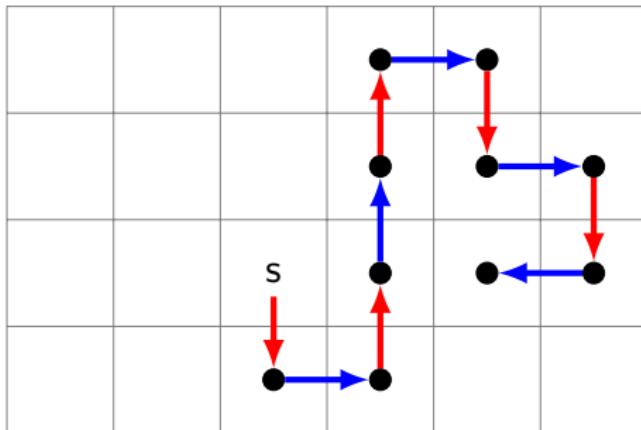
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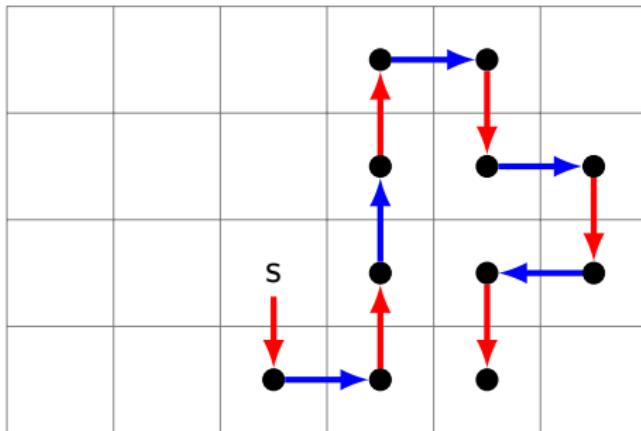
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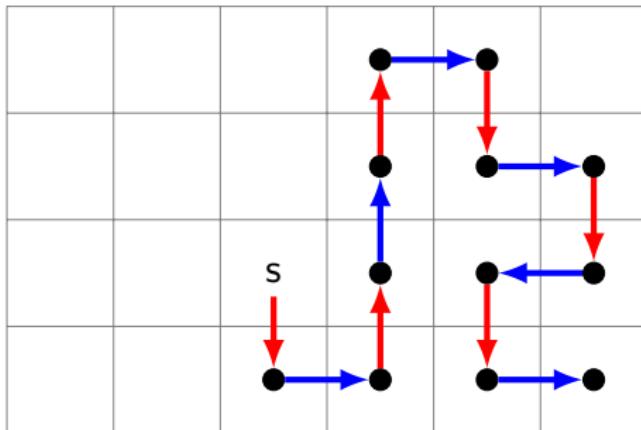
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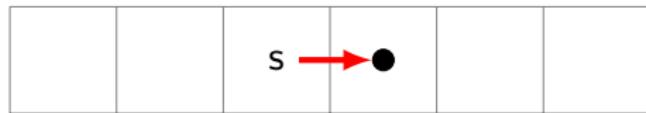
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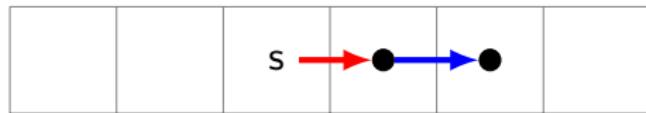
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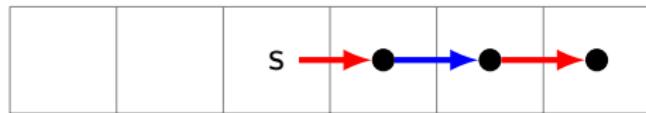
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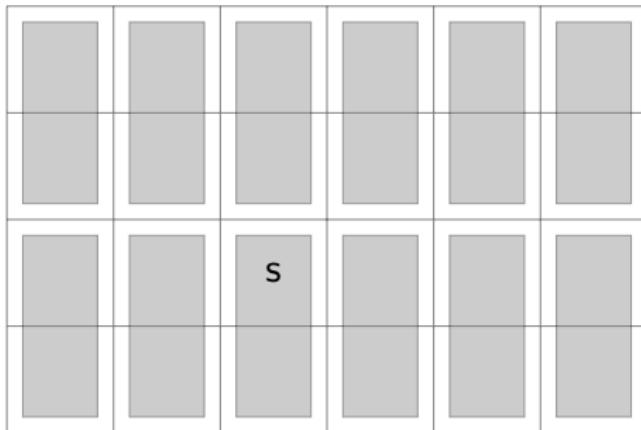
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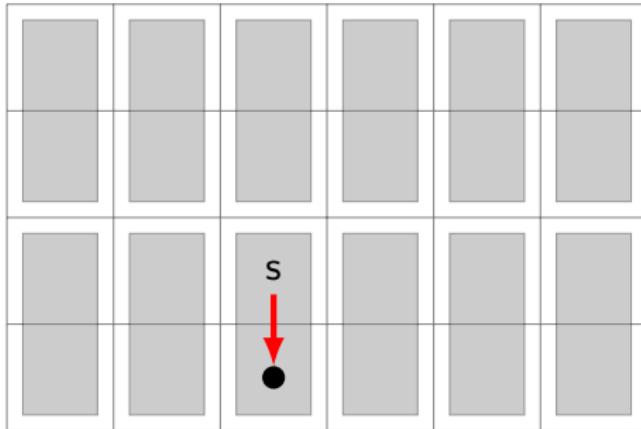
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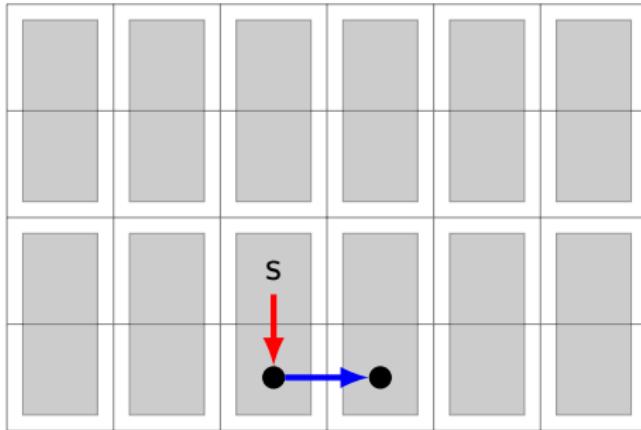
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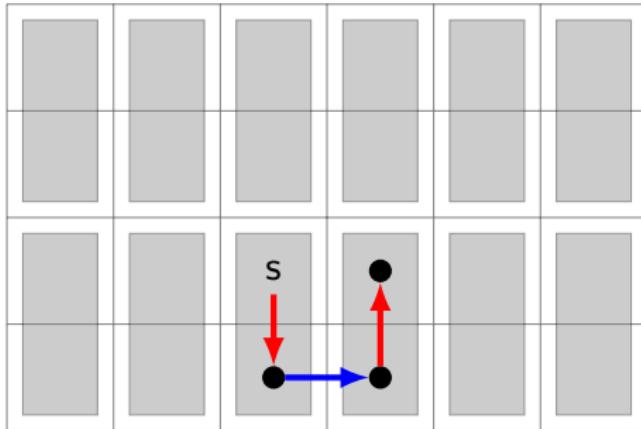
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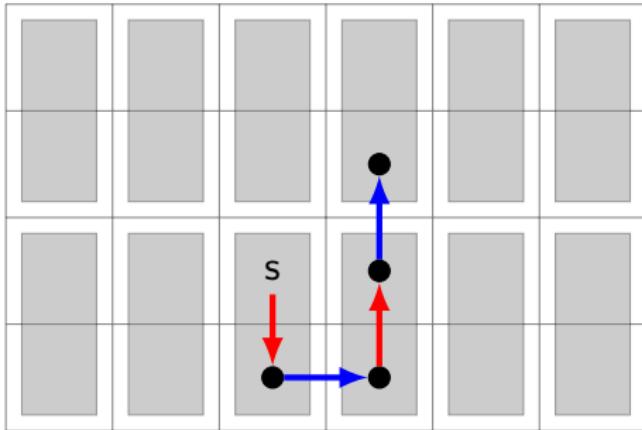
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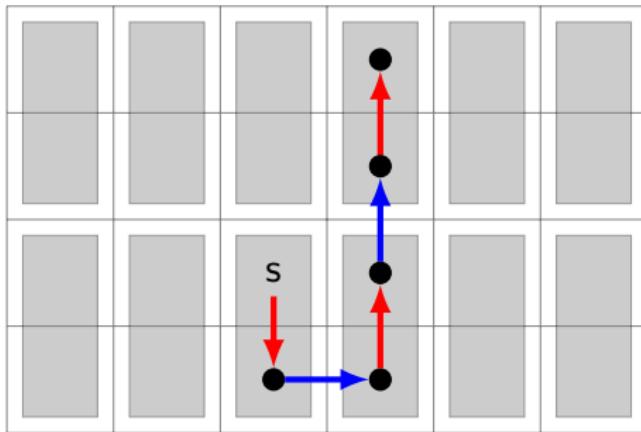
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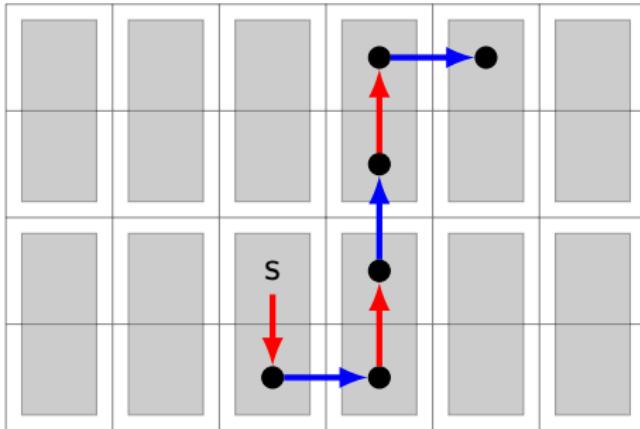
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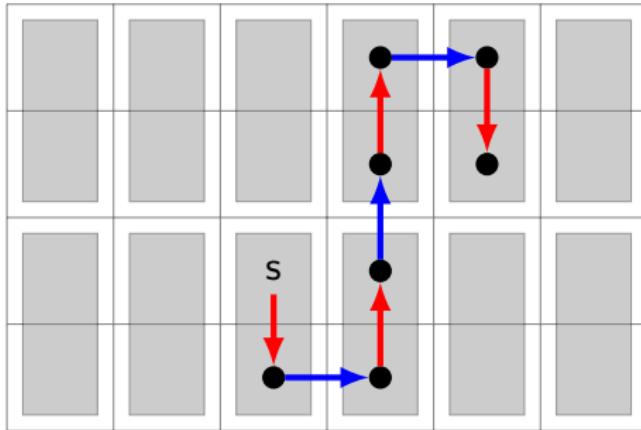
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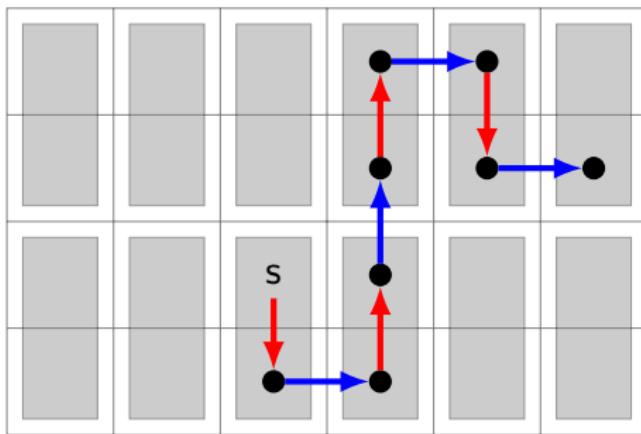
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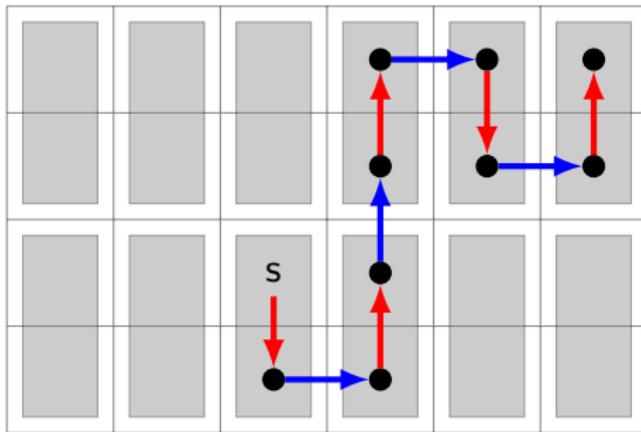
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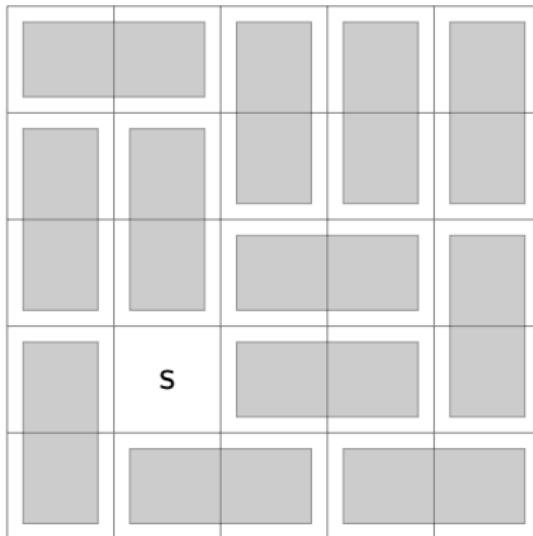
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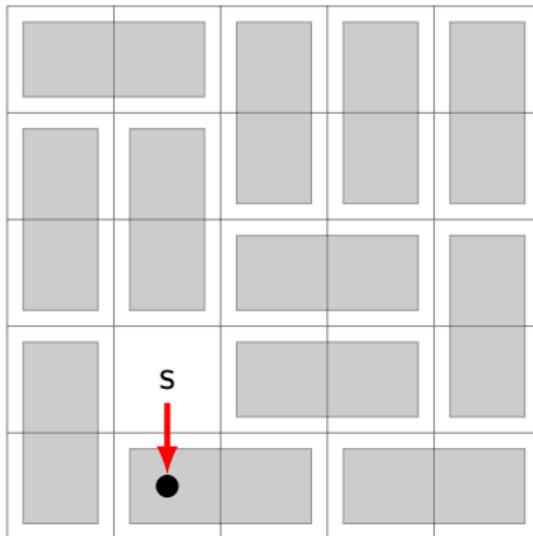
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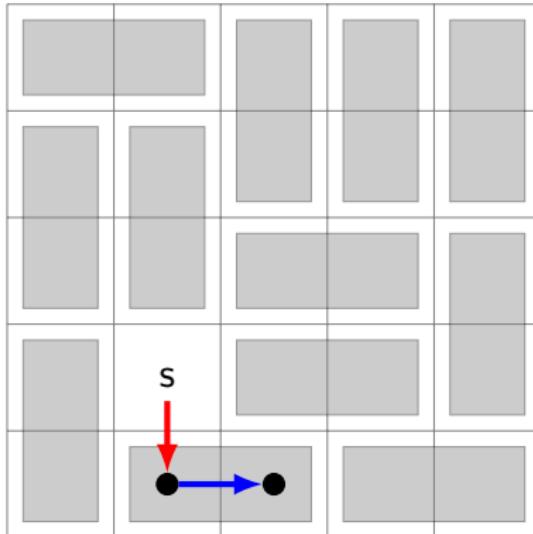
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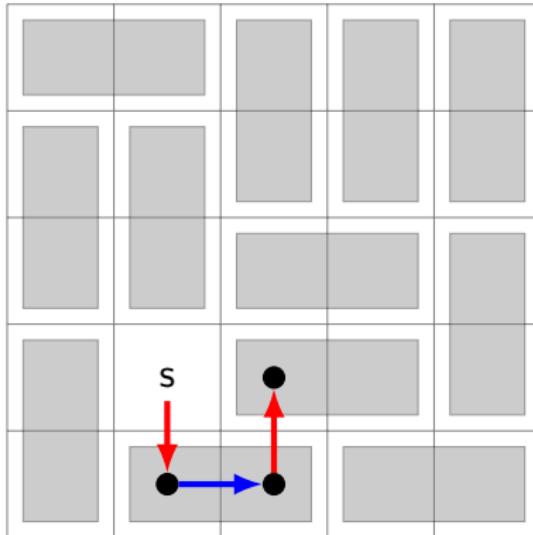
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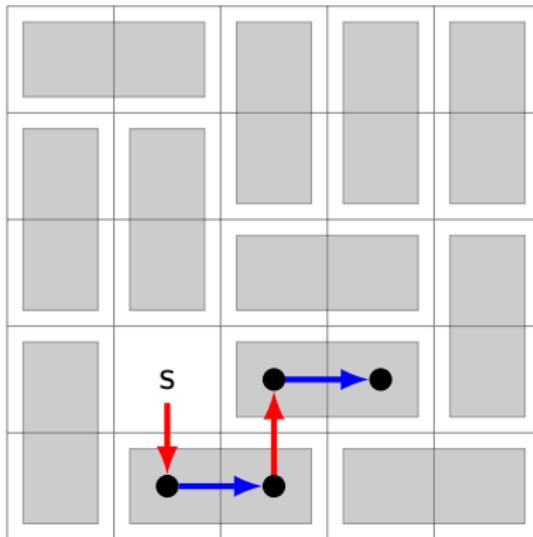
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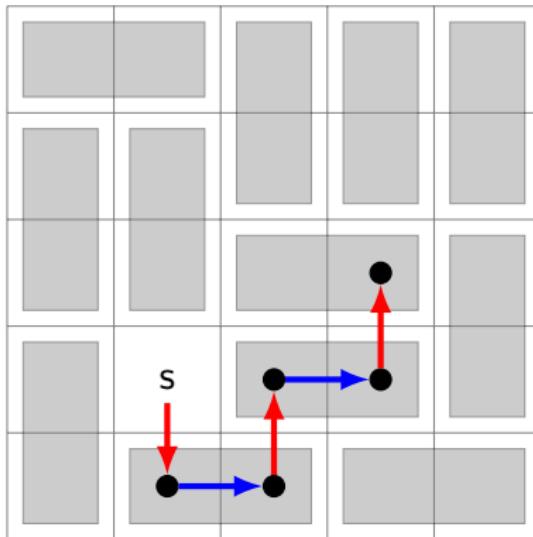
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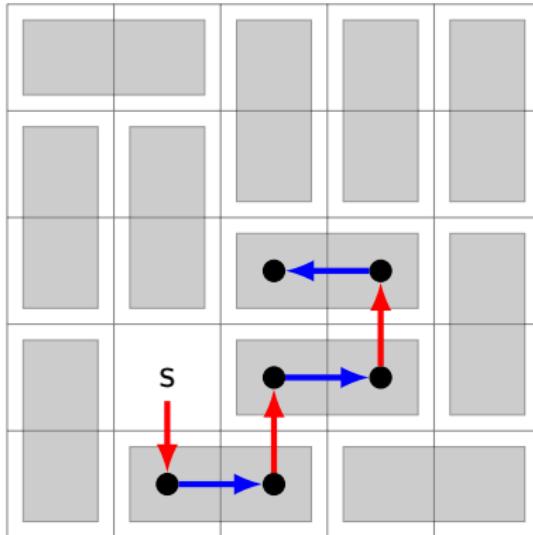
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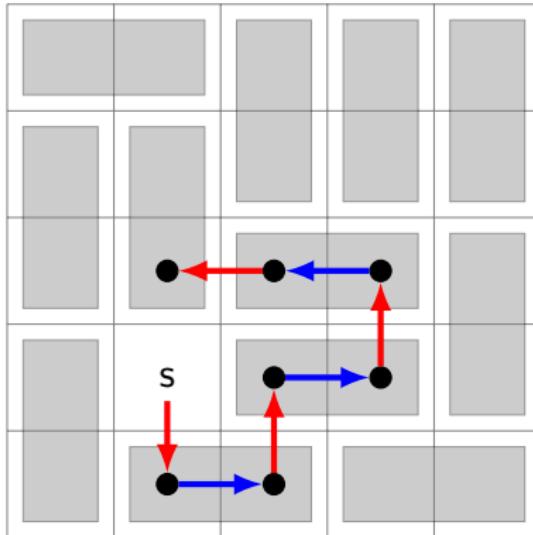
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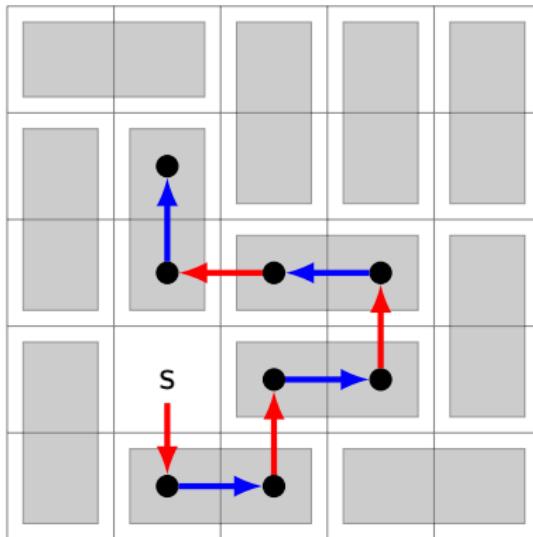
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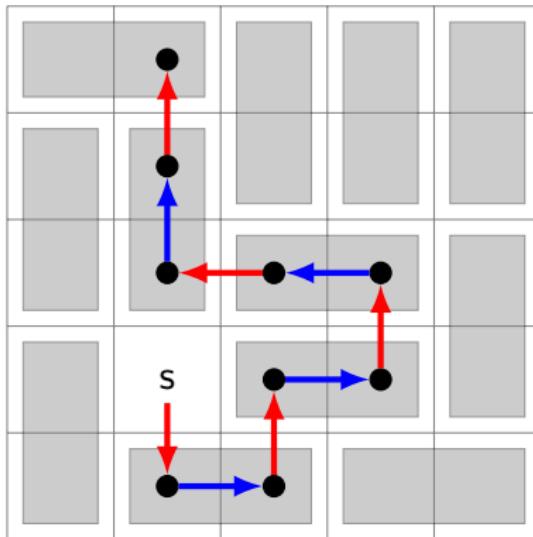
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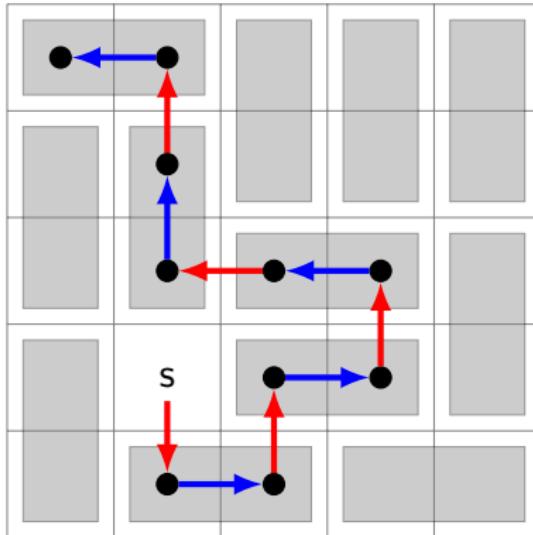
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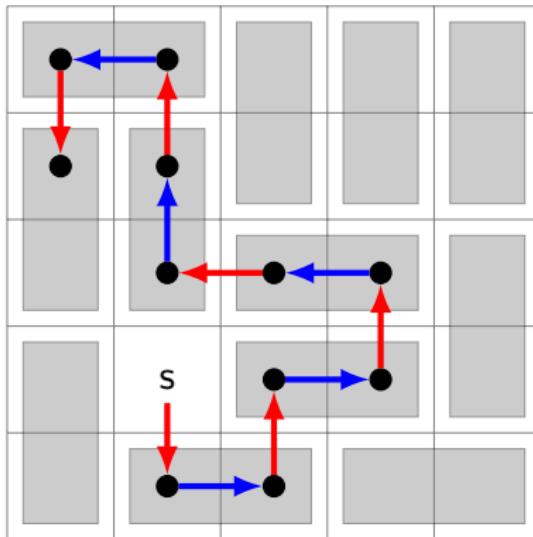
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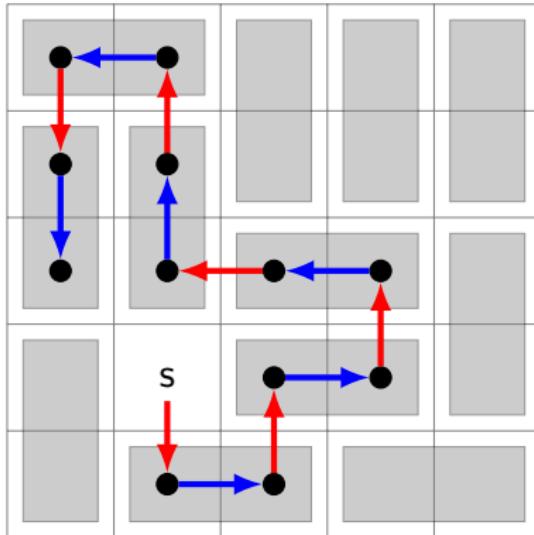
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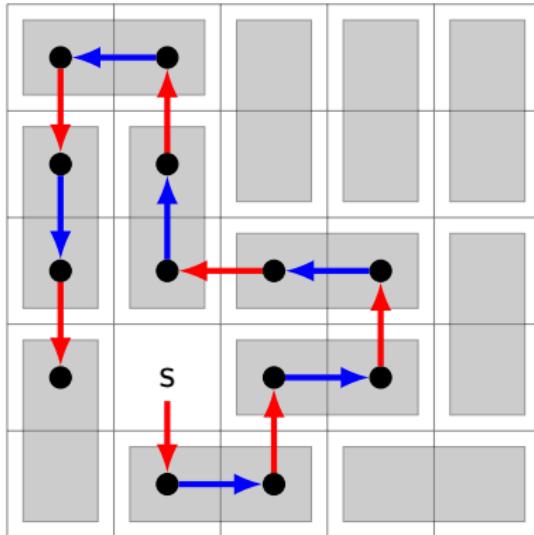
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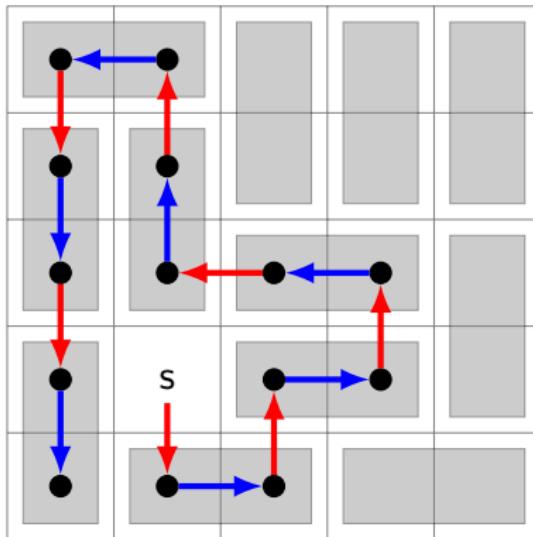
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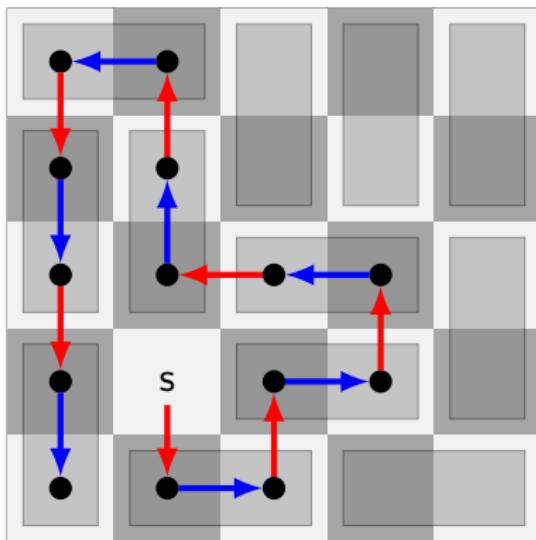
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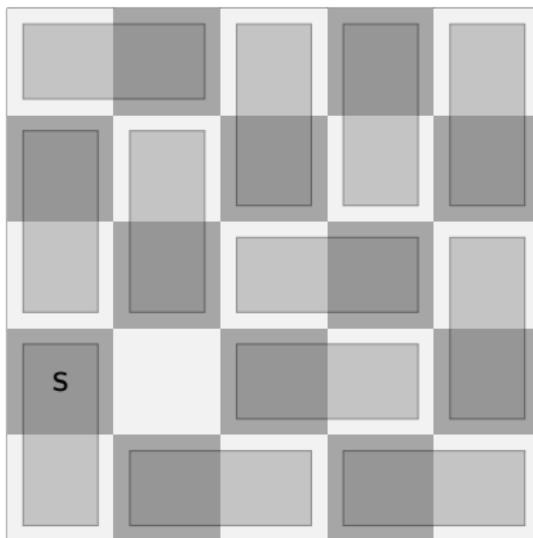
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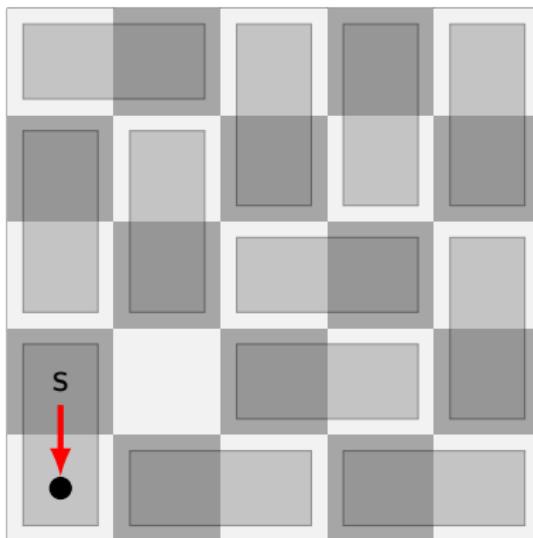
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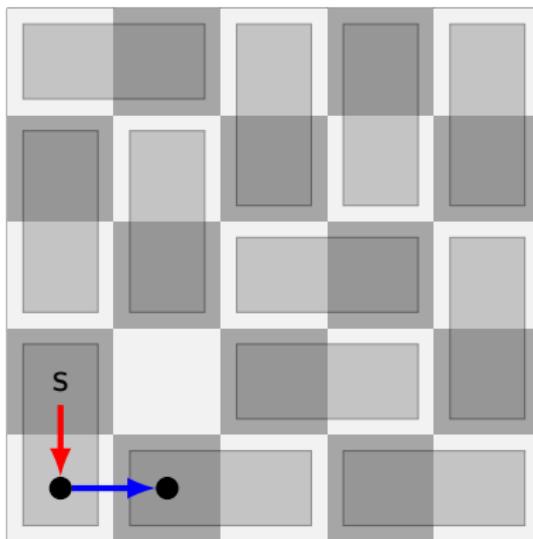
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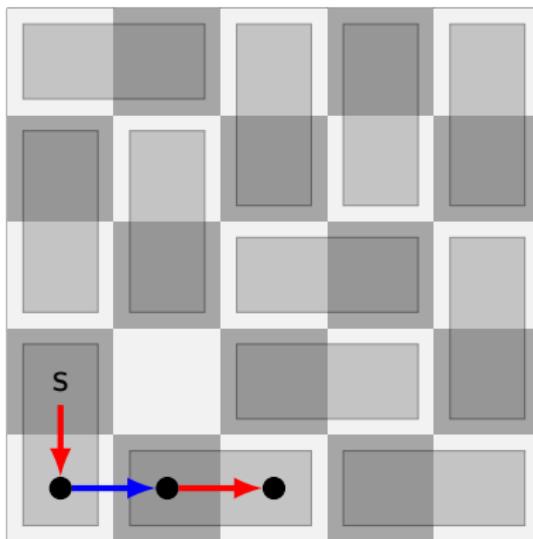
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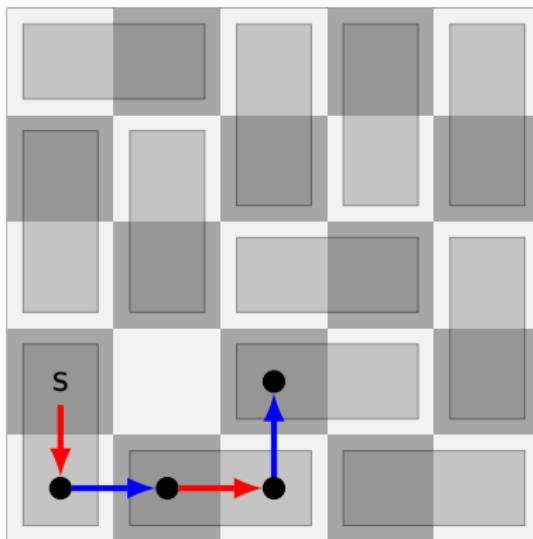
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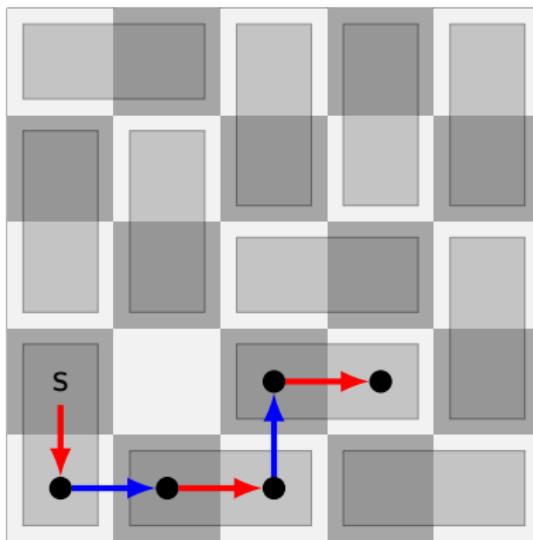
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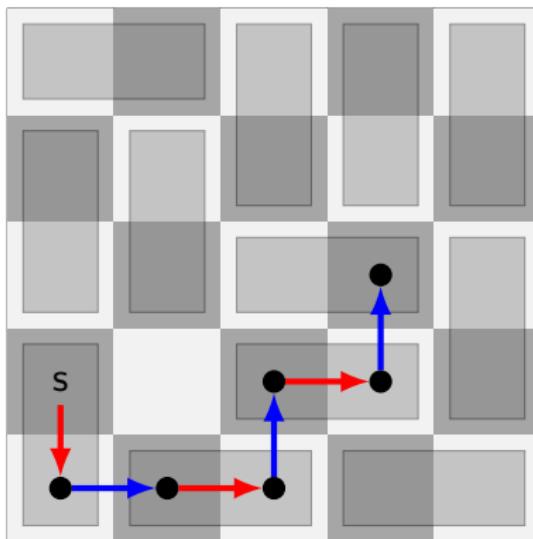
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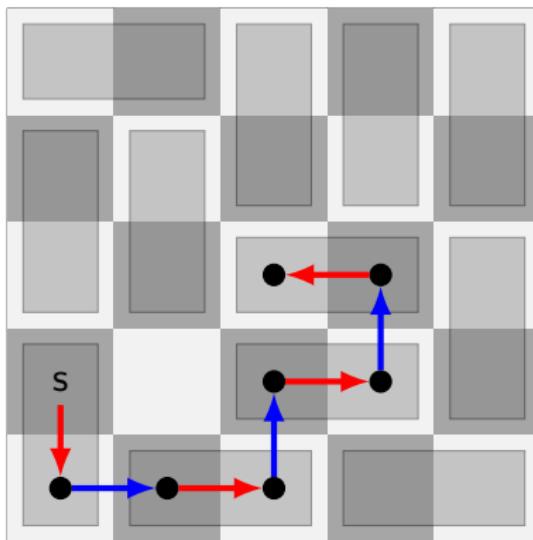
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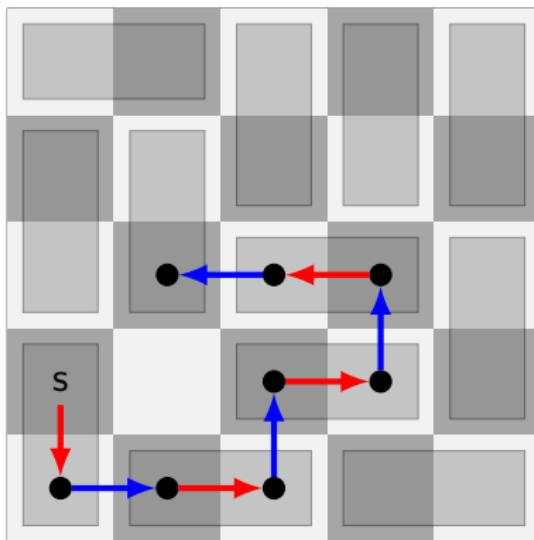
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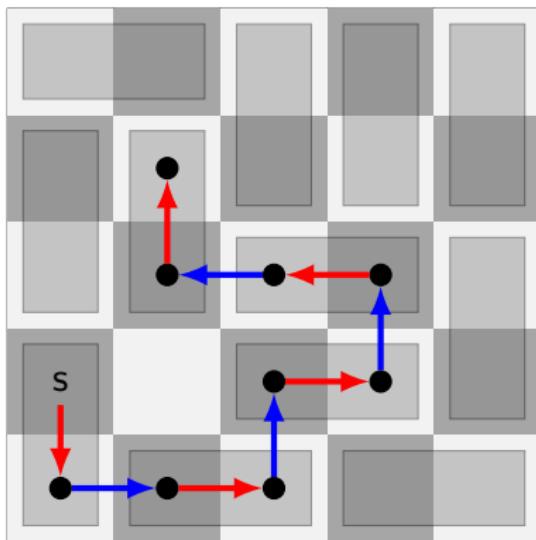
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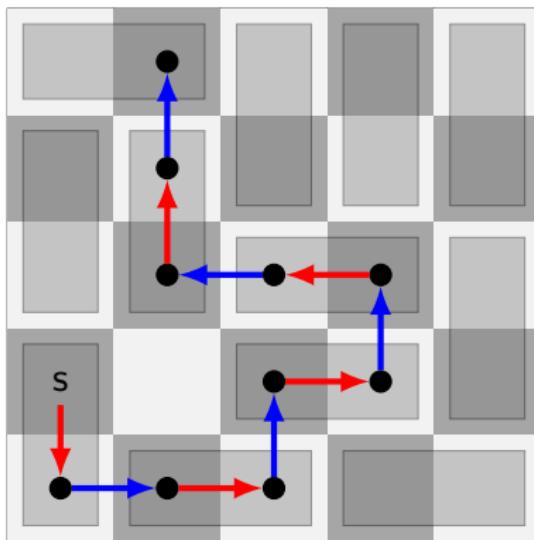
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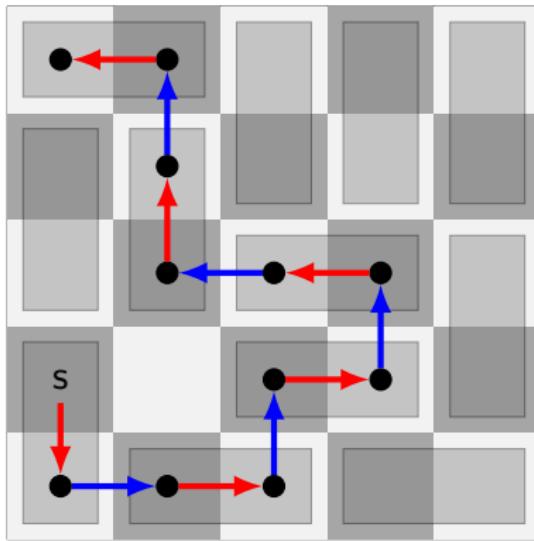
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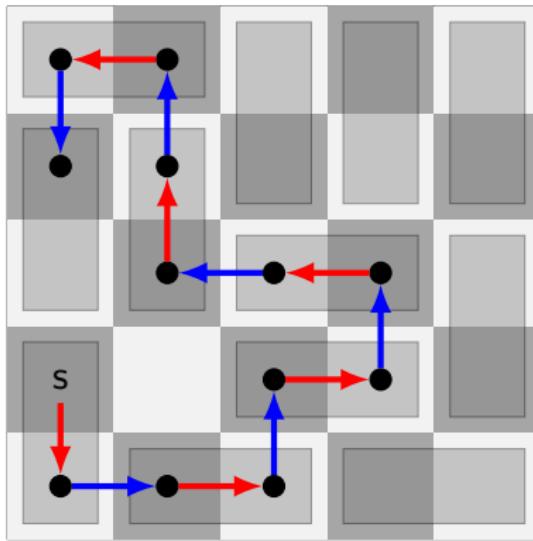
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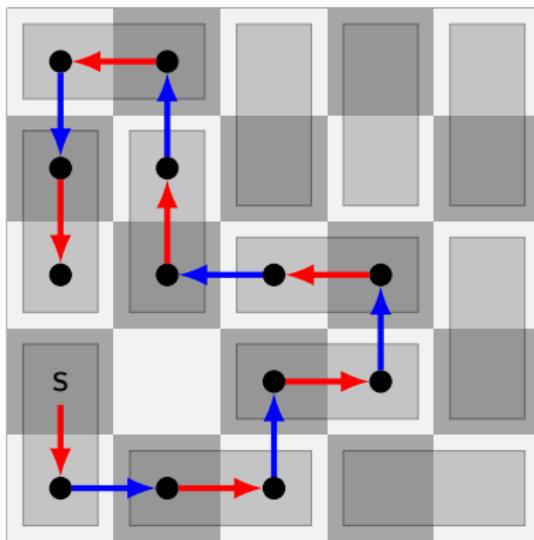
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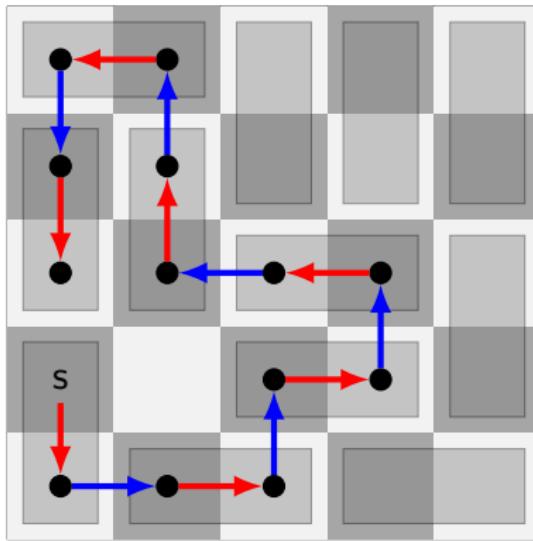
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$\underbrace{7}_{*}$  28147956     $\underbrace{72}_{*}$  8147956     $\underbrace{728}_{*}$  147956    ...

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<sup>1</sup> See also *ibid.*, pp. 22–23.

row 4:

1

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row  $n$ :

$$n=1$$

$$\Theta(n^2) \quad \dots \quad \Theta(n^2)$$

\* \* \*

n - 1

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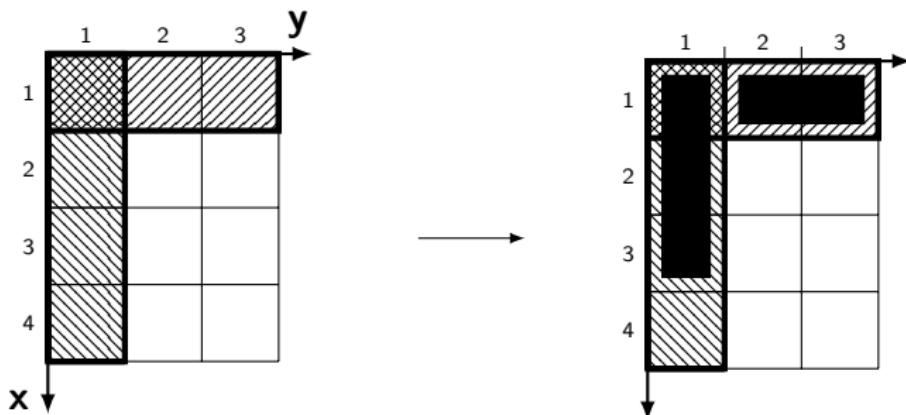
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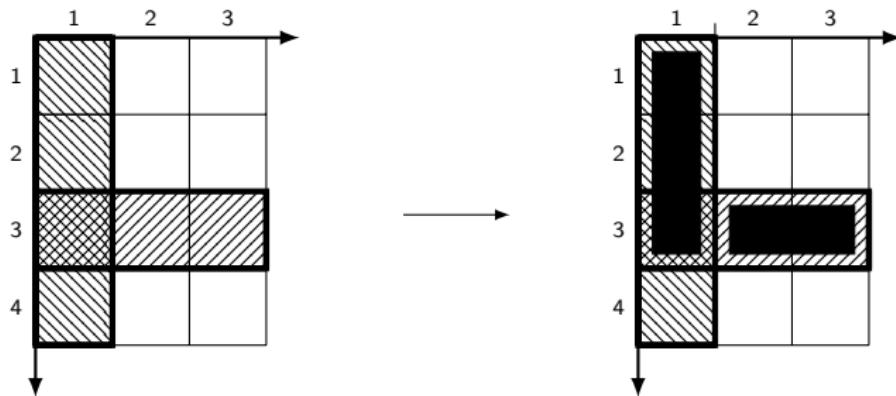
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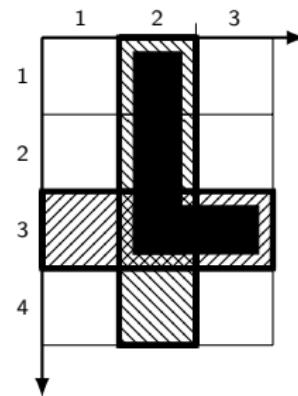
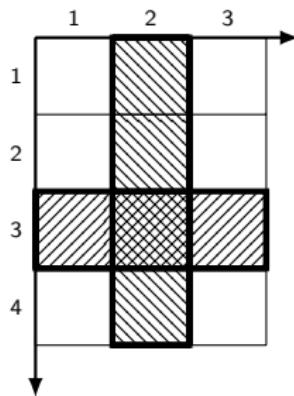
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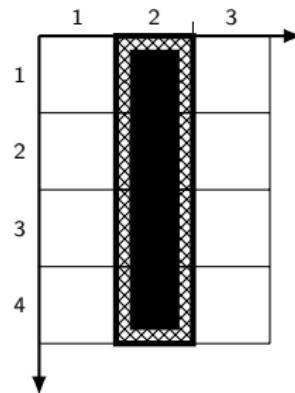
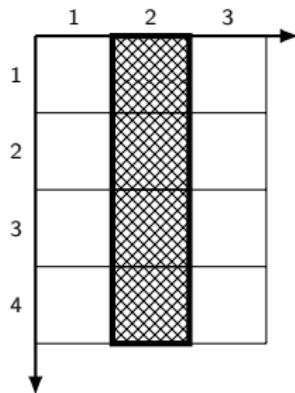
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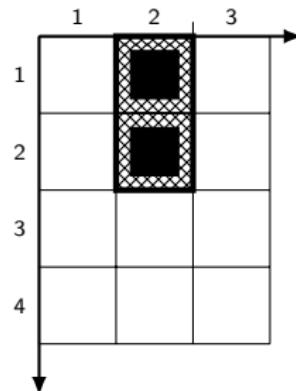
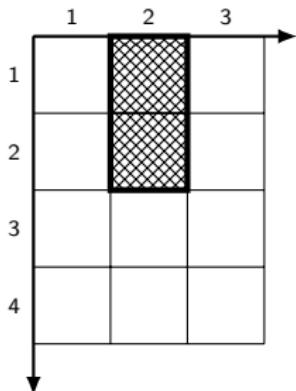
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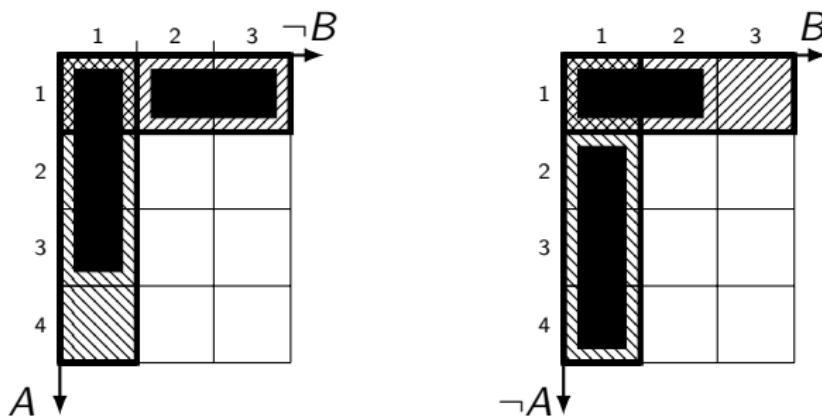
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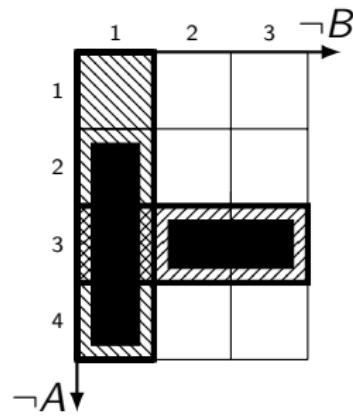
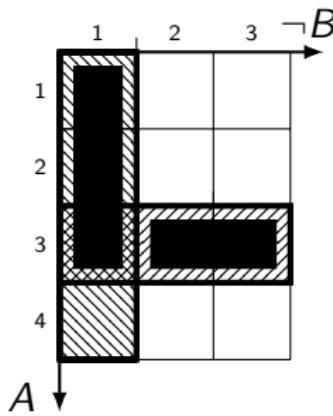
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- We model the configuration as implications with the use of the following key:  $\uparrow X$ ,  $\downarrow \neg X$ ,  $\leftarrow X$ ,  $\rightarrow \neg X$



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  - ▶ Make sure to update count when adding/removing strings.
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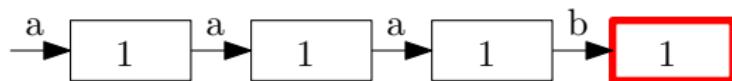
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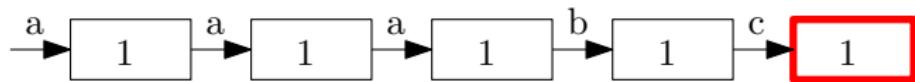
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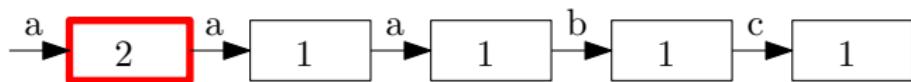
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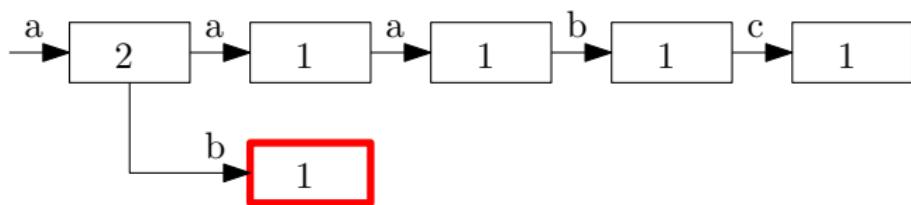
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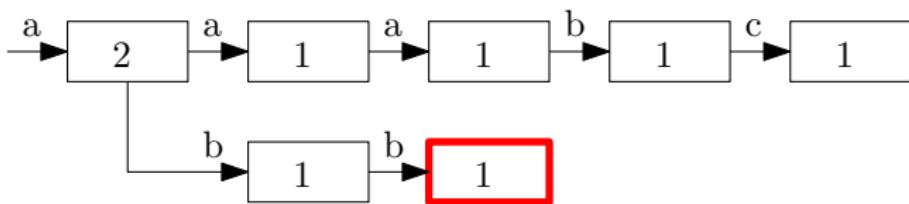
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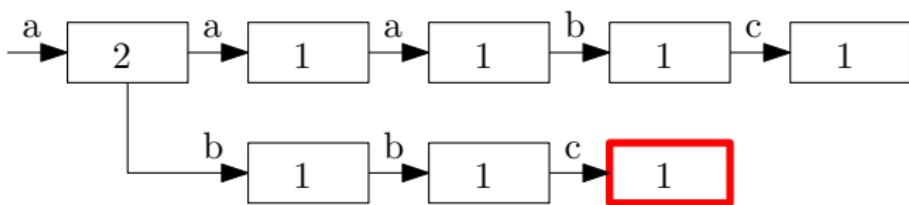
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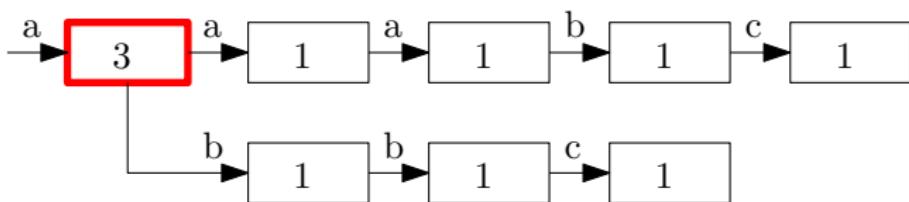
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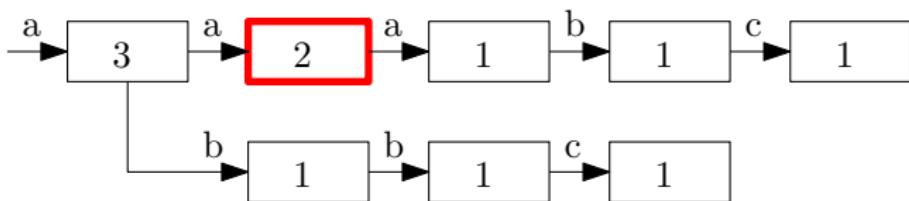
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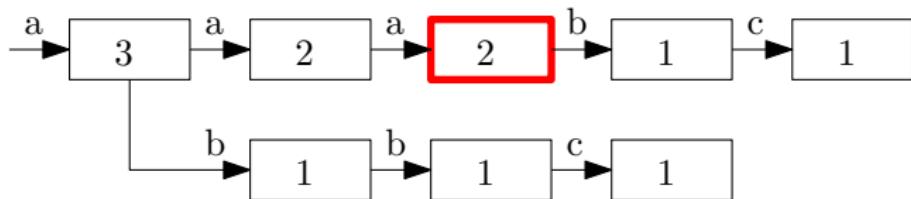
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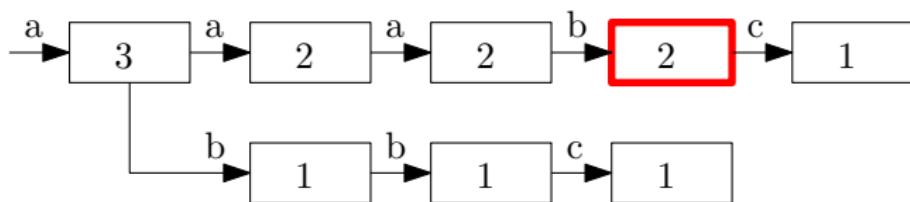
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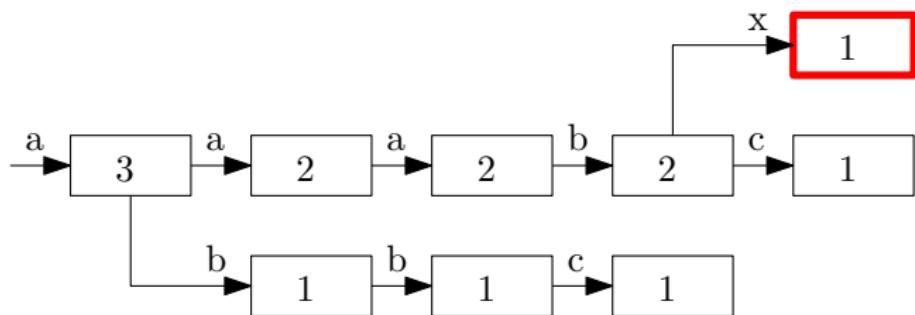
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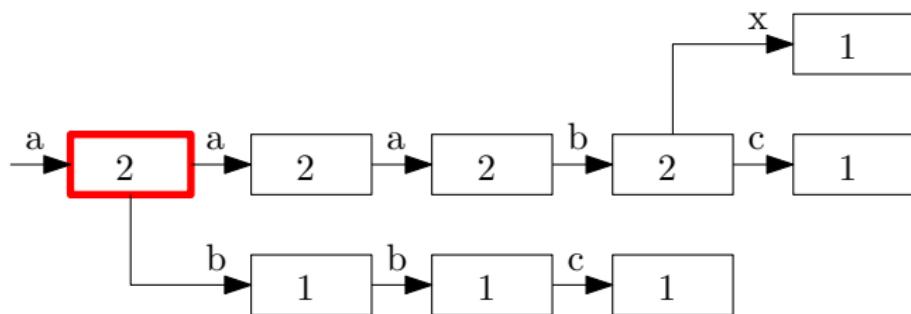
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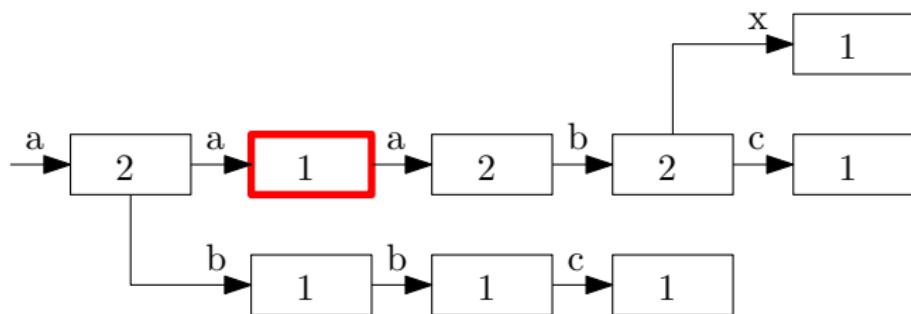
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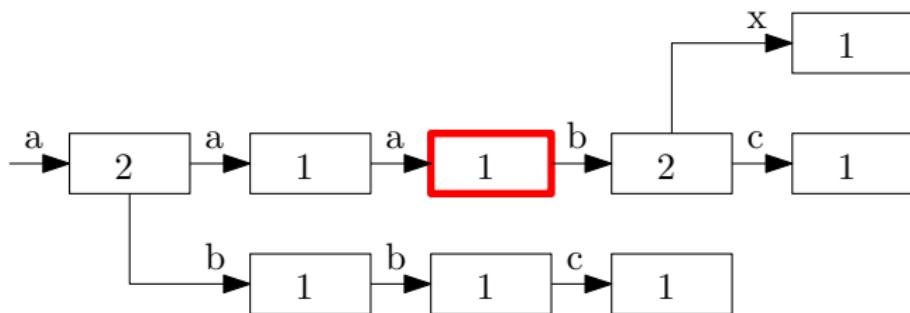
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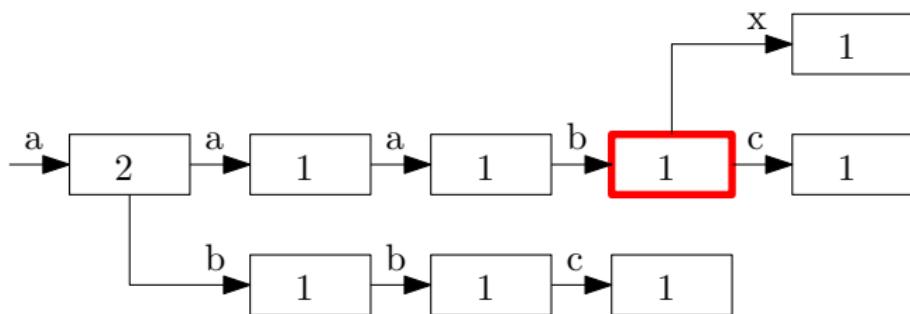
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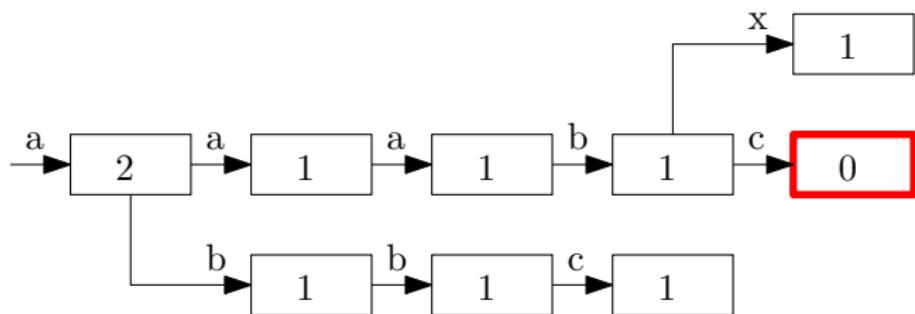
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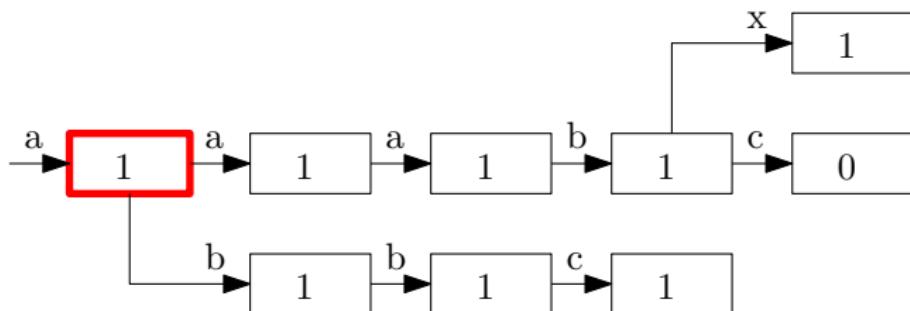
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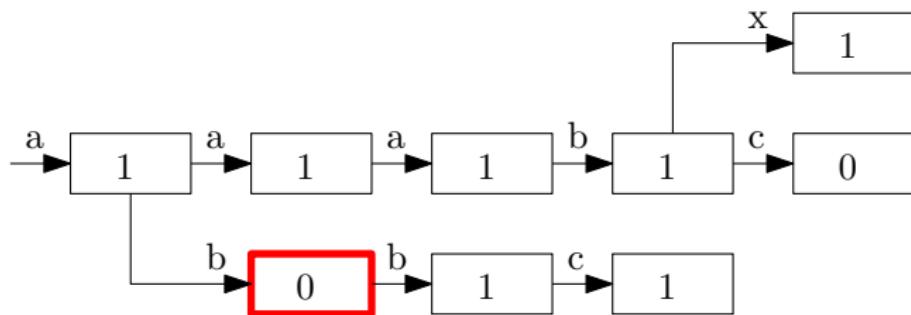
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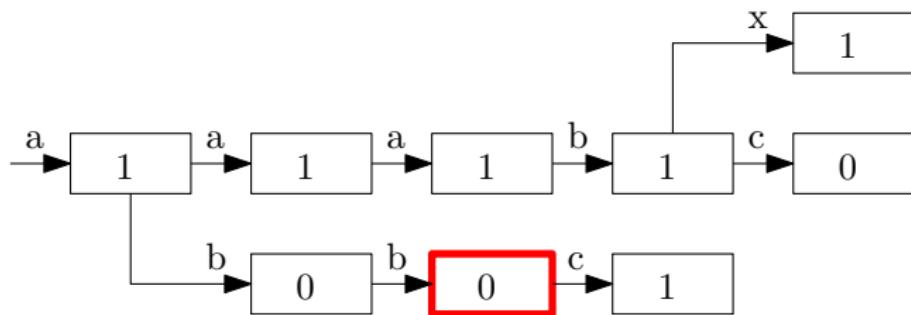
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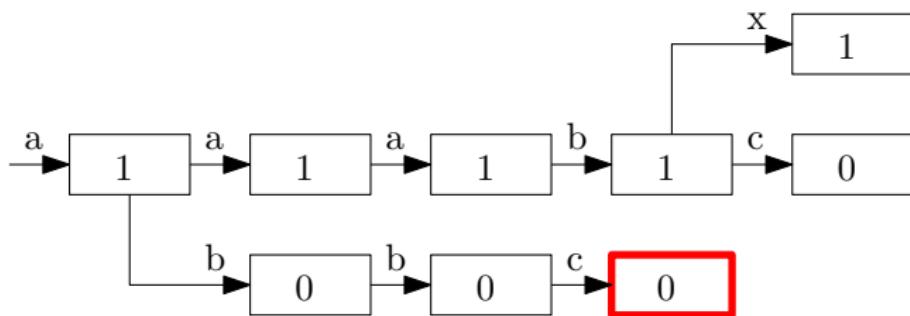
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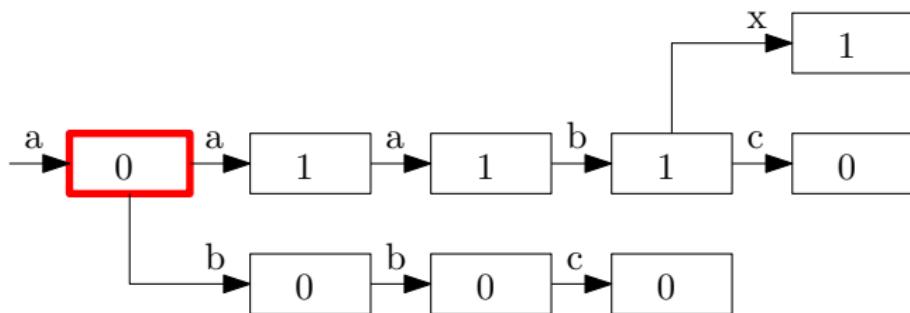
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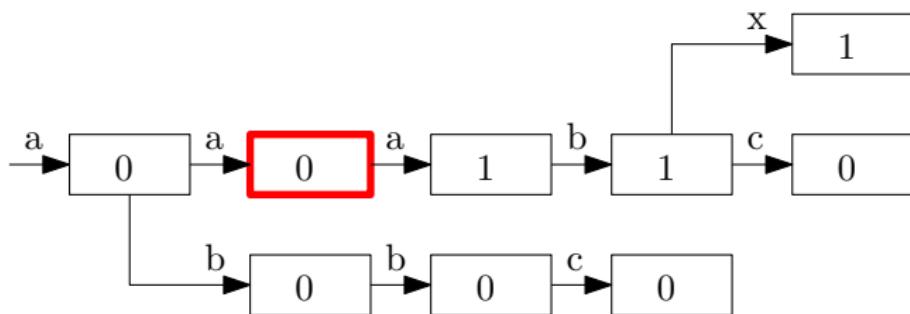
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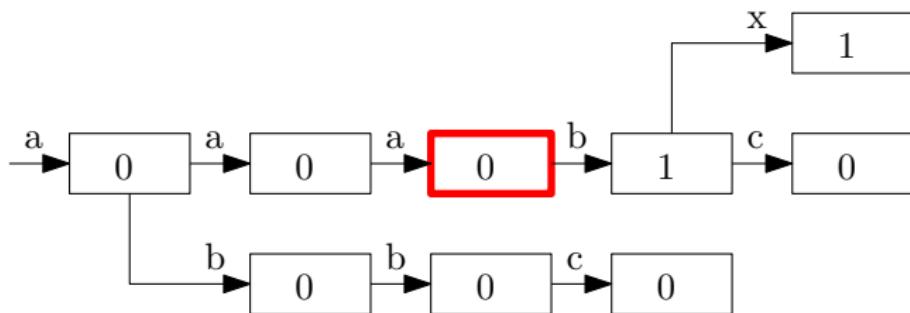
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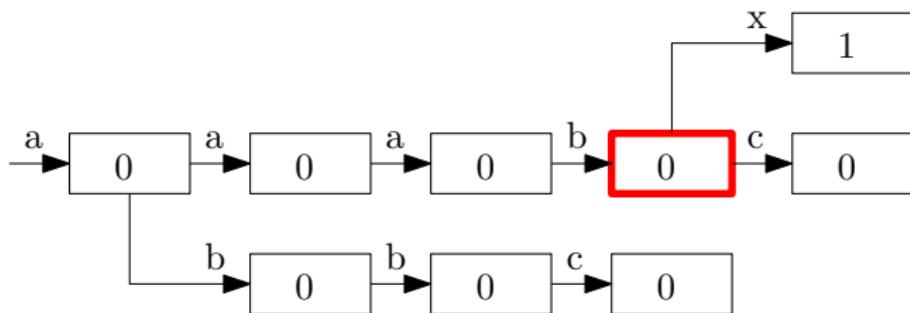
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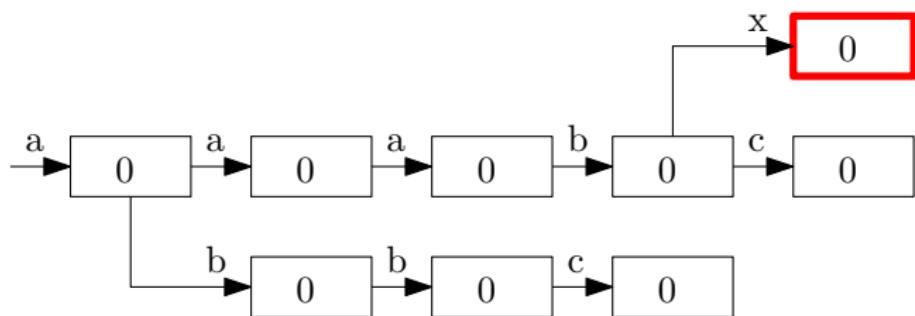
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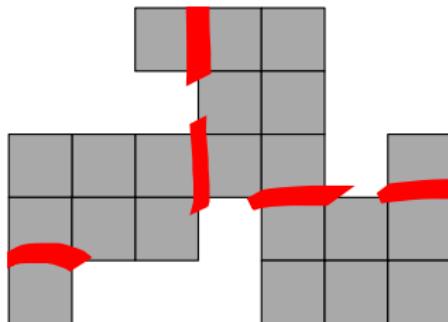
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- ▶ Alternatively use hashing!
- ▶ For each prefix, keep track of how many times it is in the sliding window.
- ▶ Use rolling hash to quickly compute the next hash.
- ▶ Linear solution.
- ▶ Watch out for collisions!

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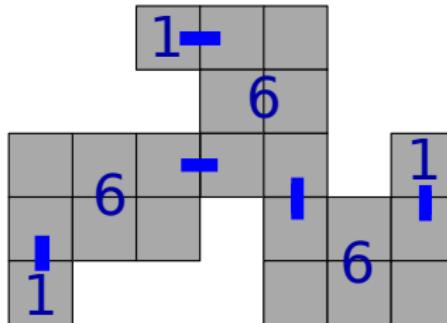
- ▶ Construct a graph: each tile is a vertex, connect by edges tiles sharing an edge.
- ▶ We can cut two tiles if their edge is a **bridge** (its removal makes the graph disconnected).



- ▶ We can identify bridges in  $\mathcal{O}(n + m)$ .

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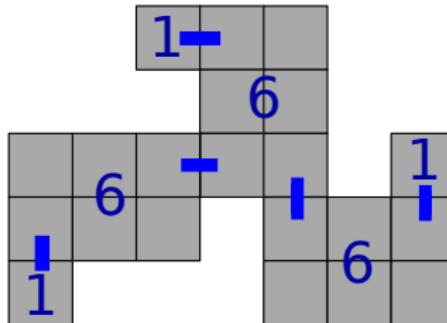
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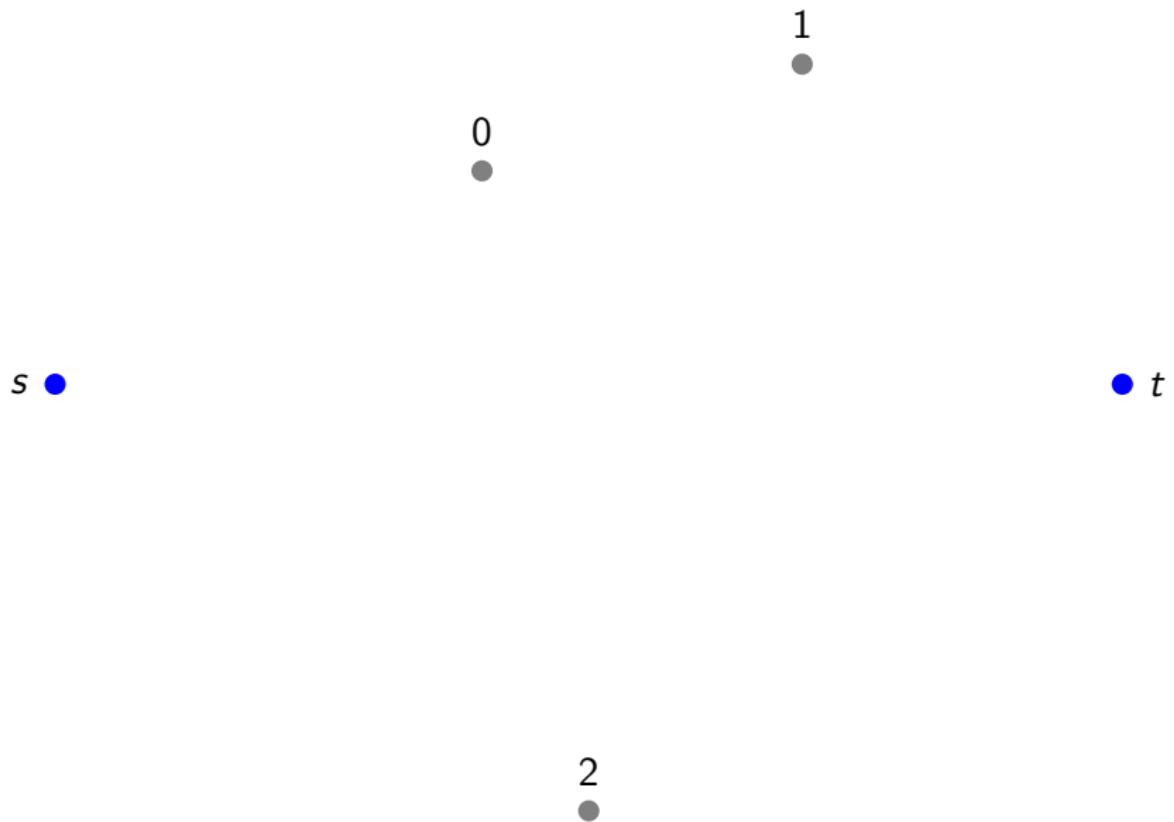
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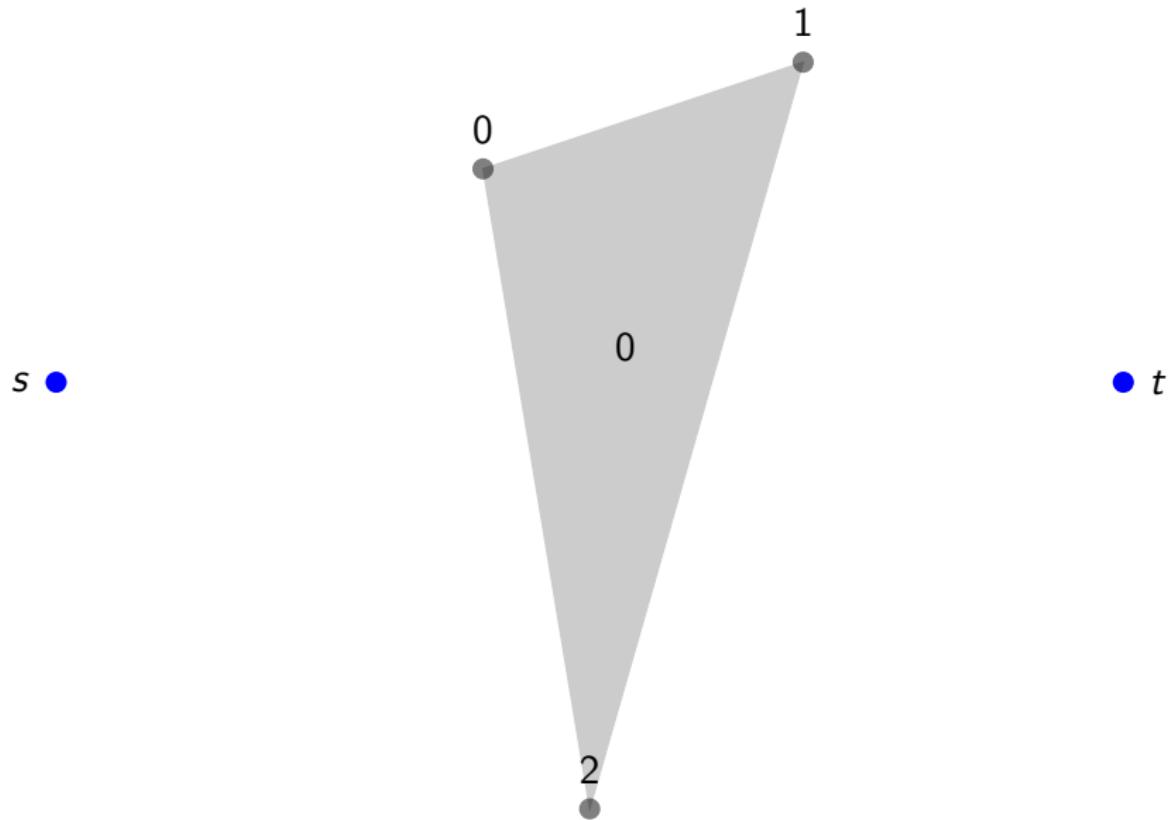
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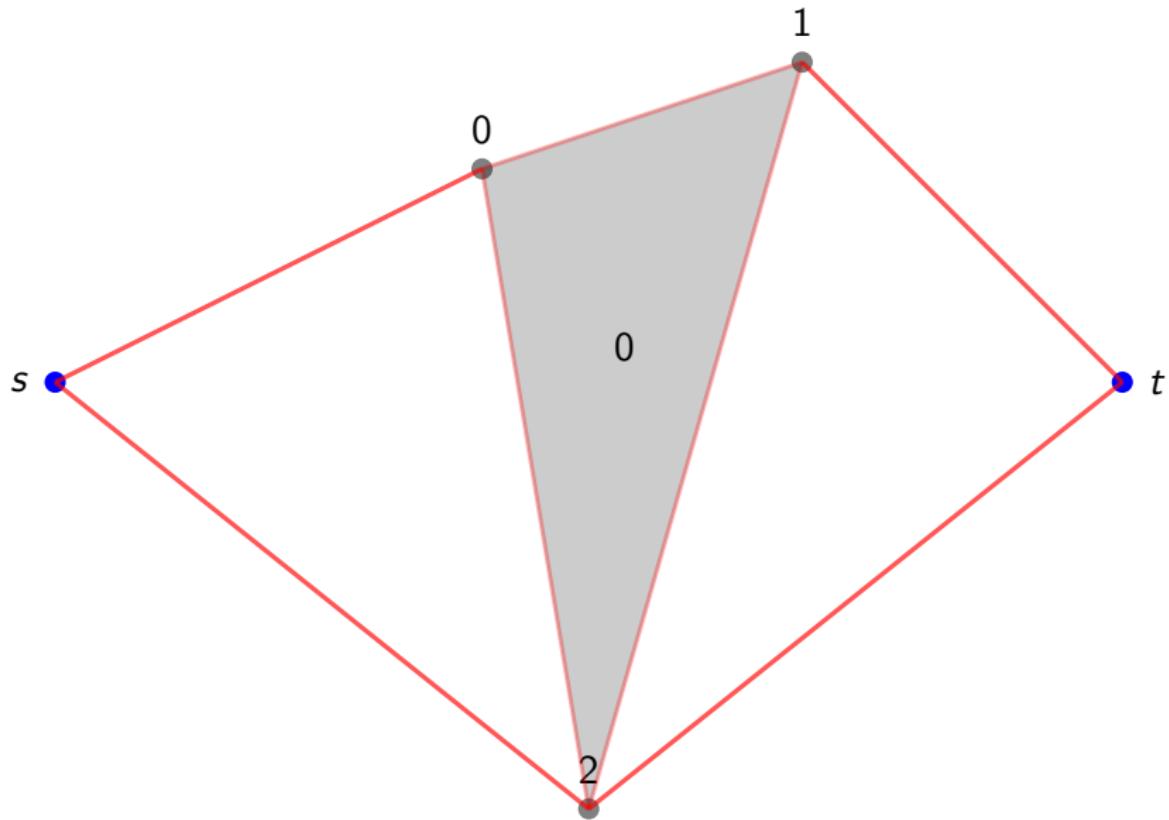
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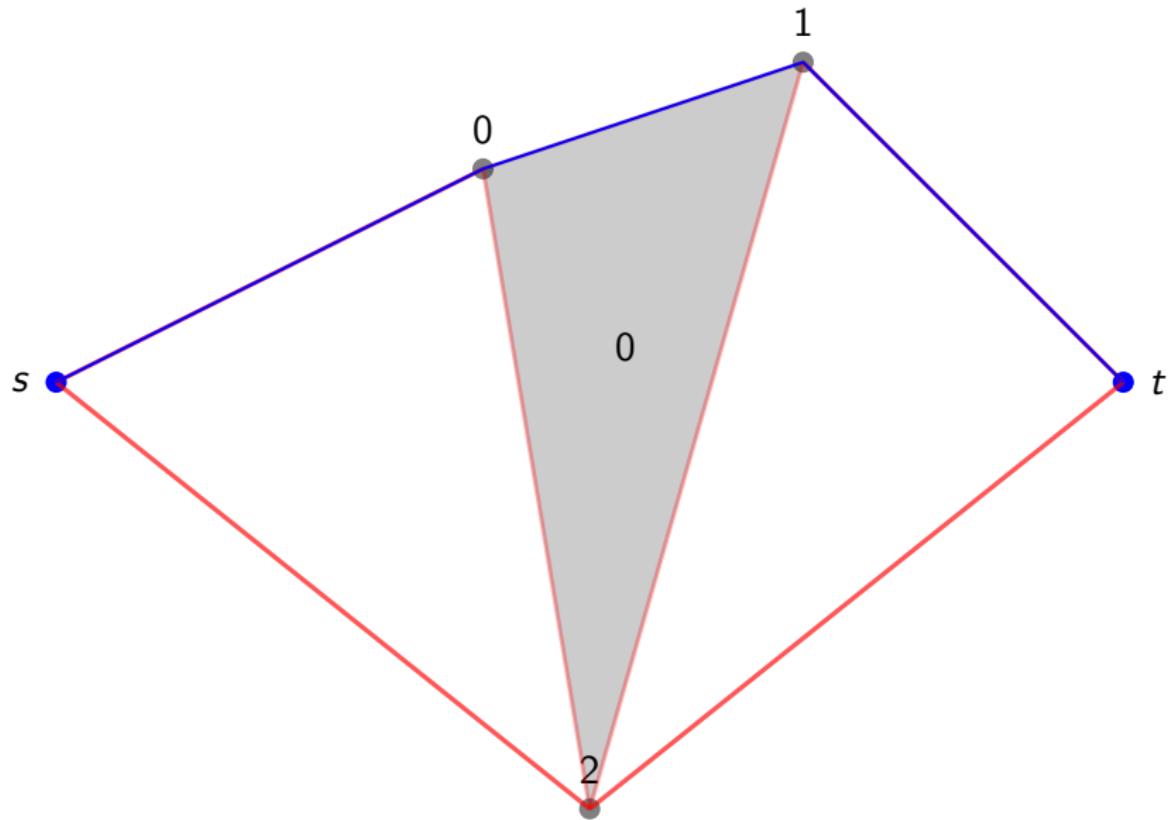
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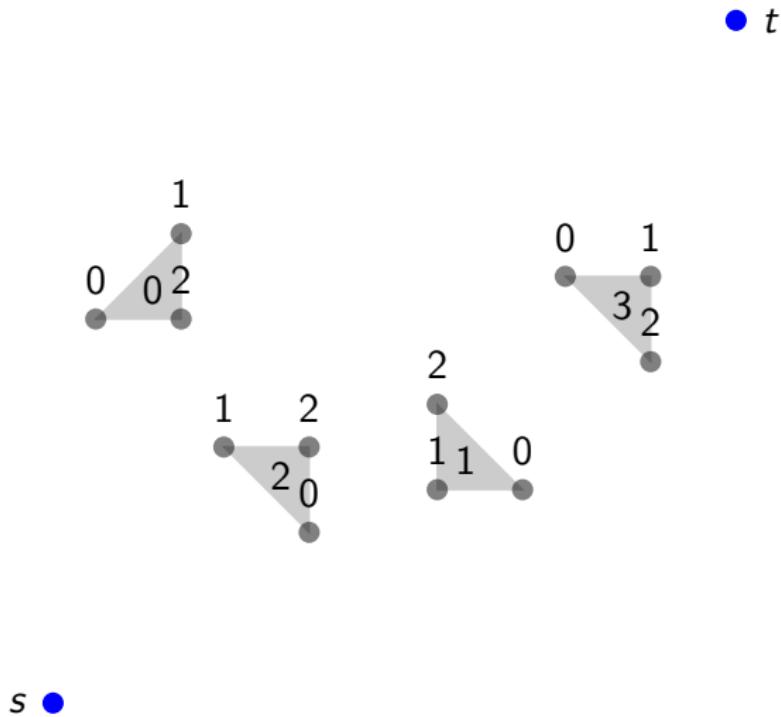
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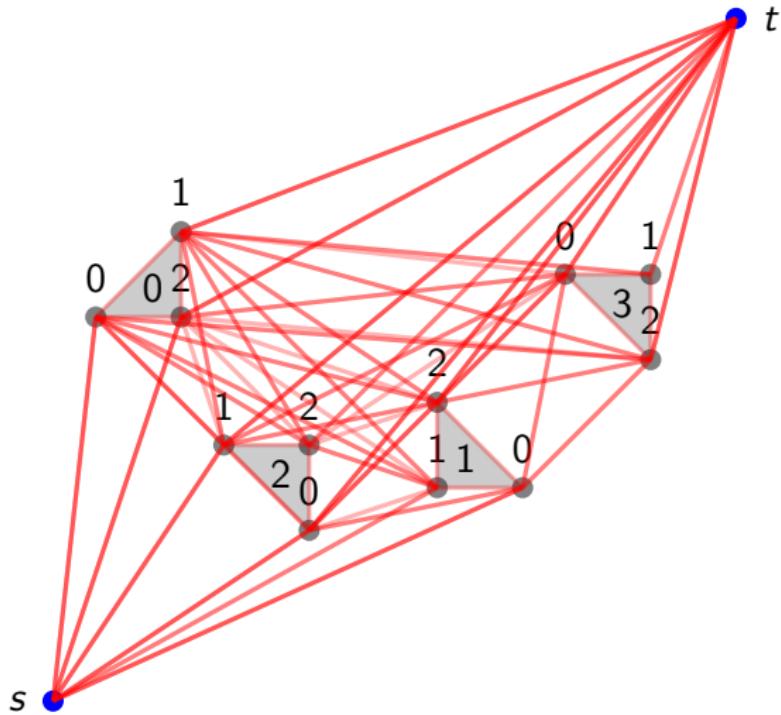
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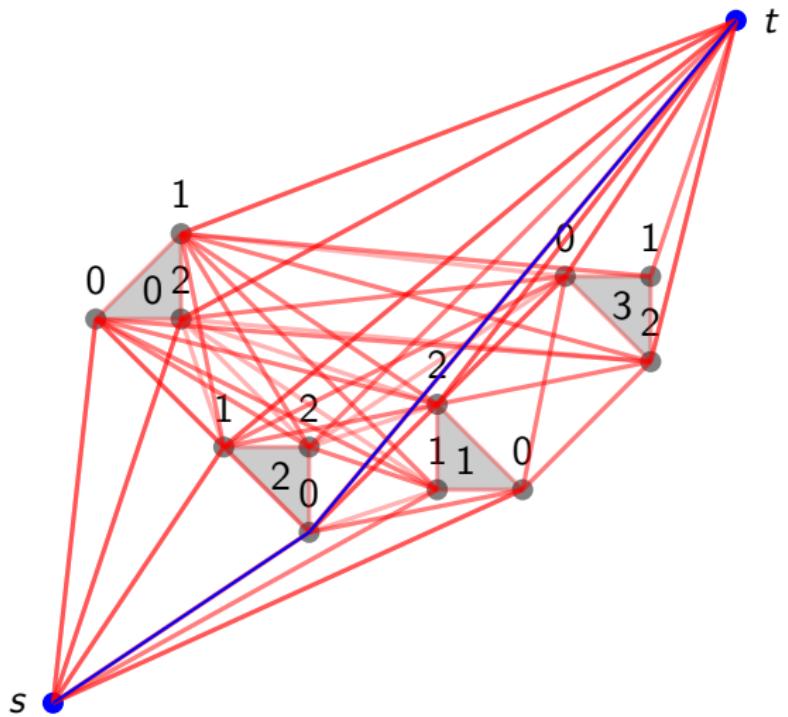
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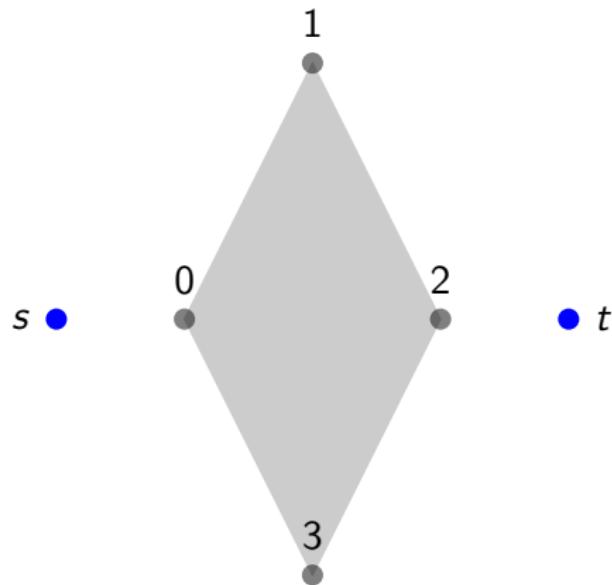
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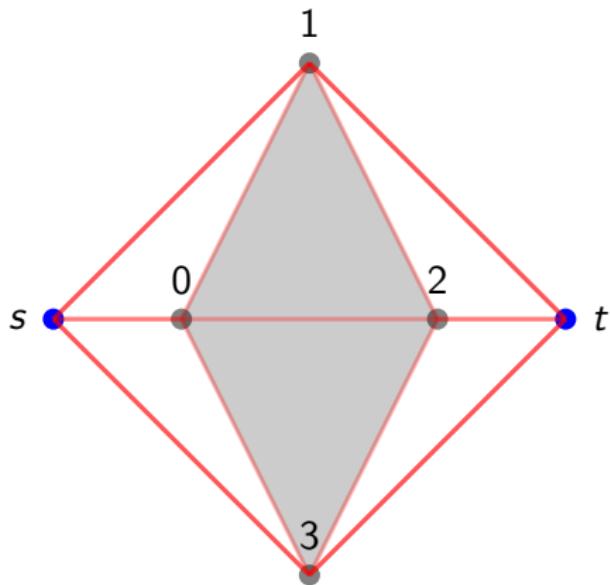
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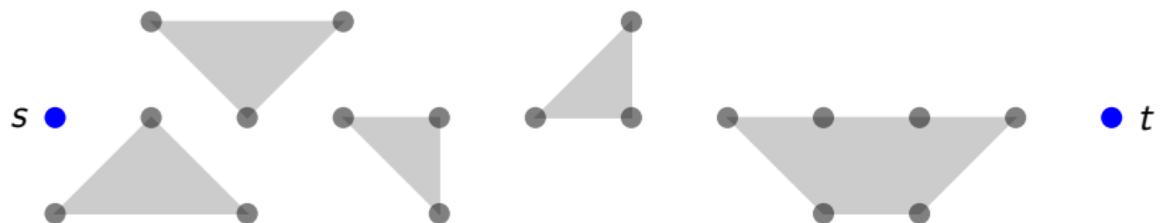
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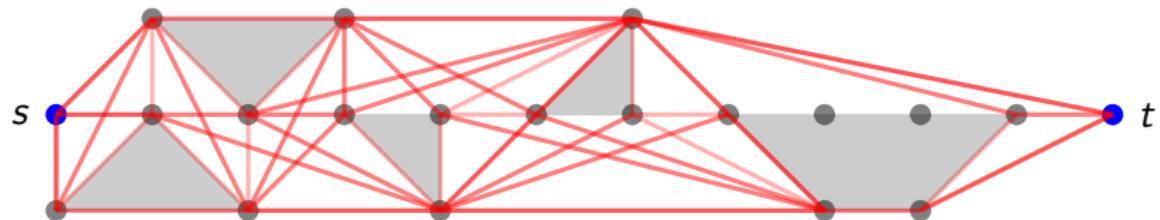
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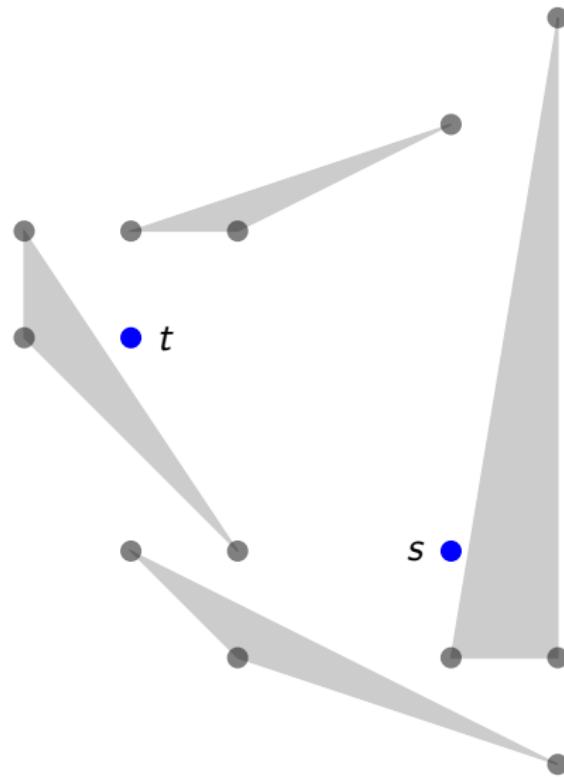
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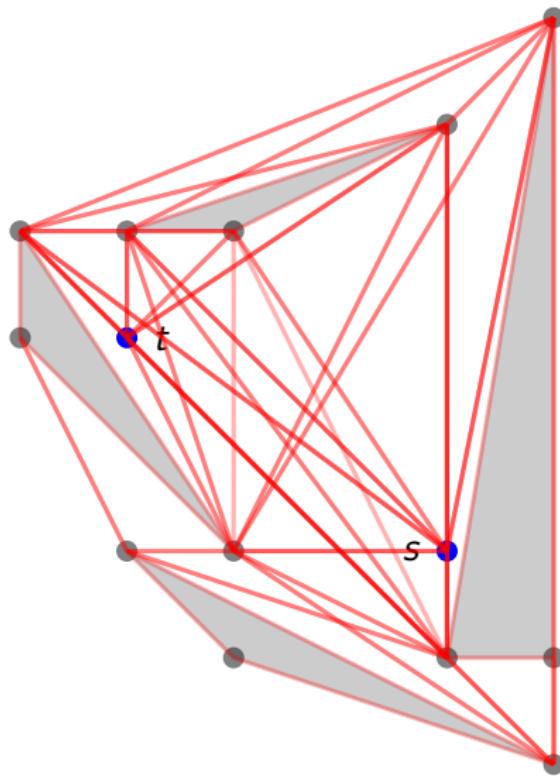
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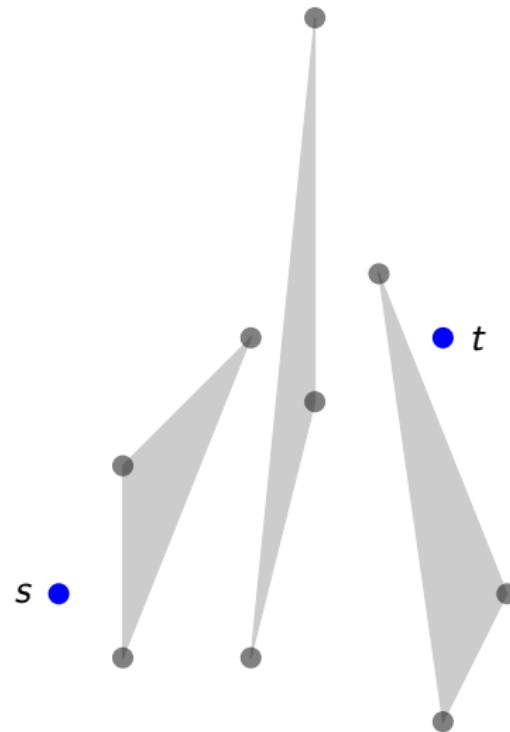
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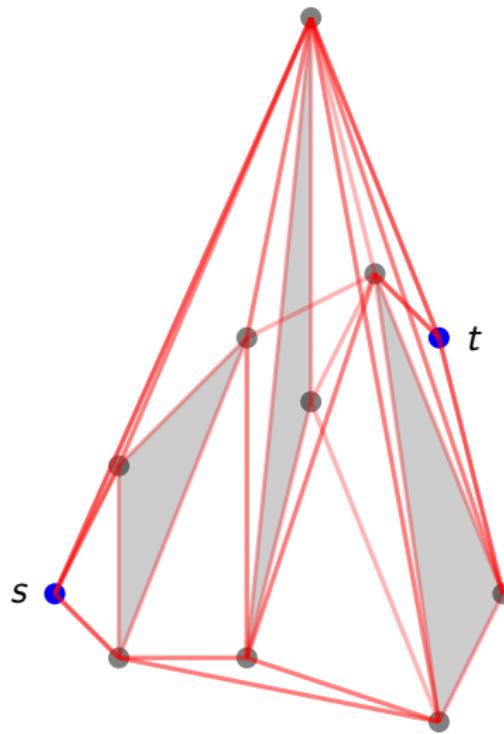
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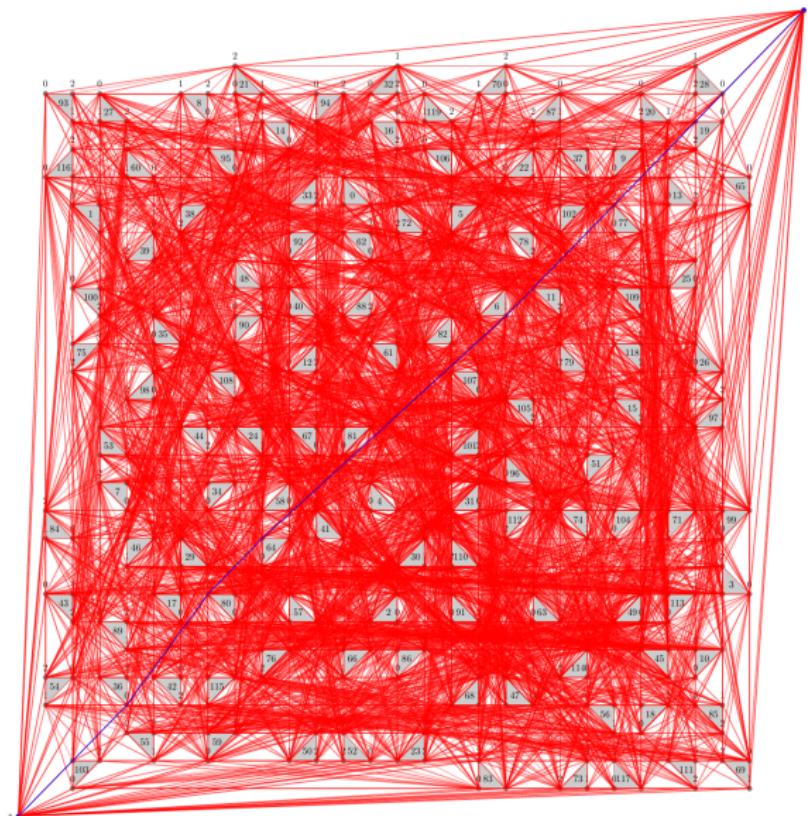
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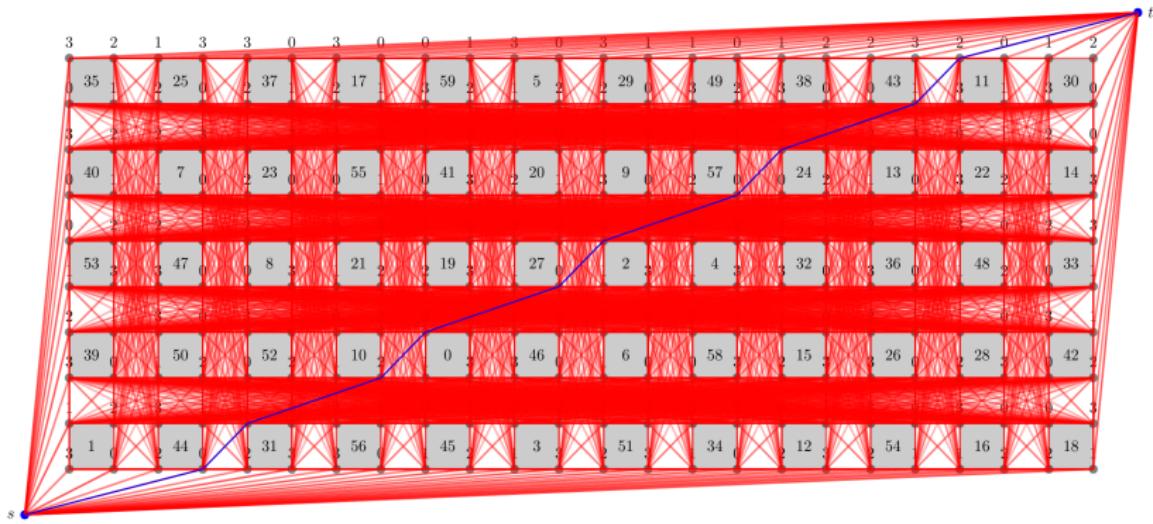
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