

Deterministic Simulations and Hierarchy Theorems For Randomized Algorithms

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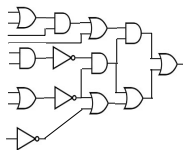
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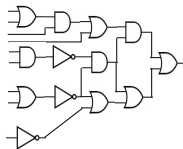


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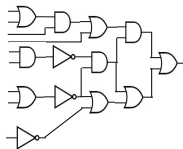


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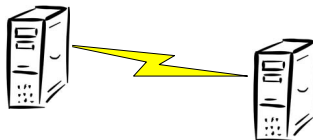
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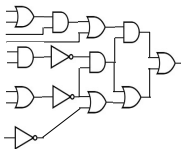


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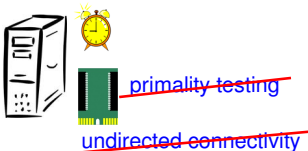


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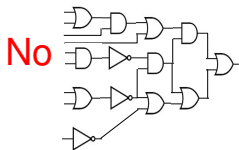
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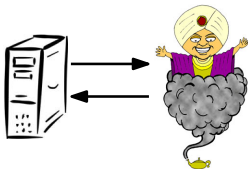
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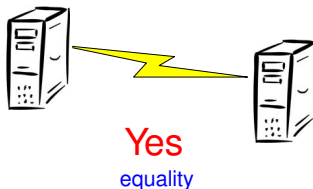
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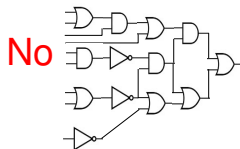


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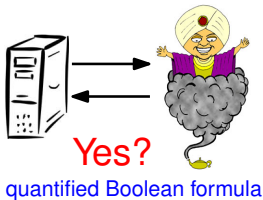
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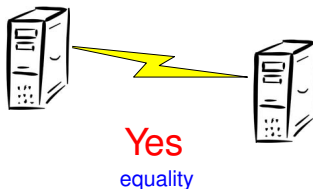
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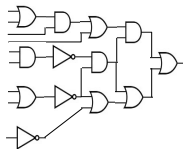


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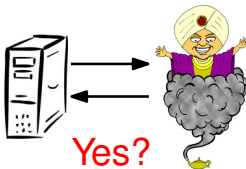
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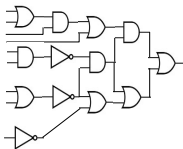


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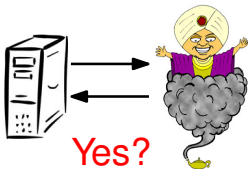
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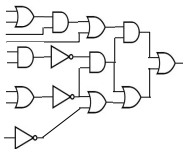
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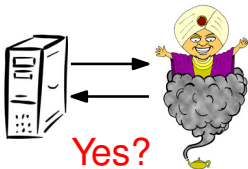
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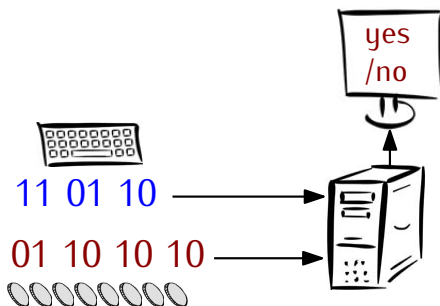
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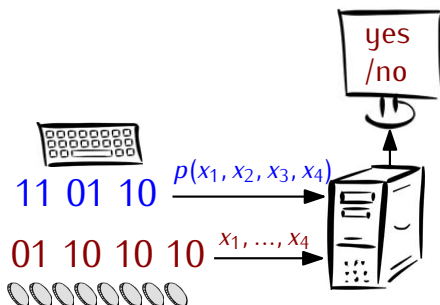
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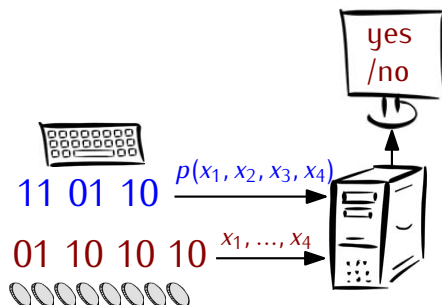
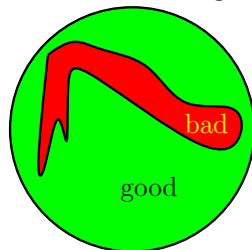


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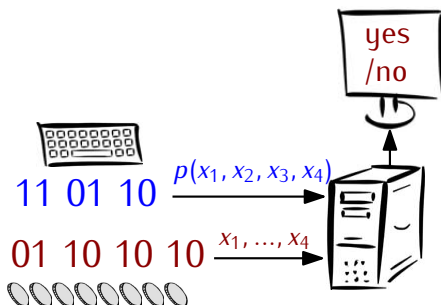
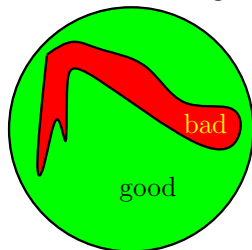
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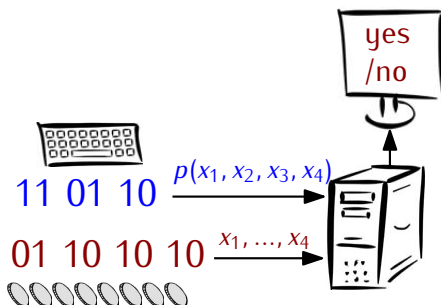
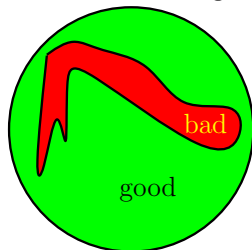
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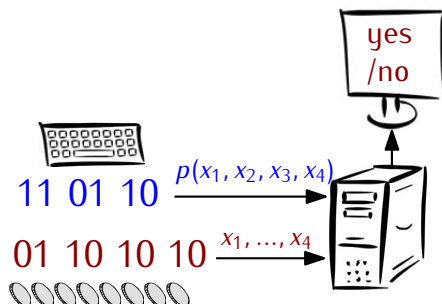
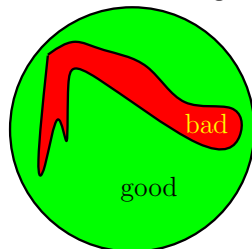
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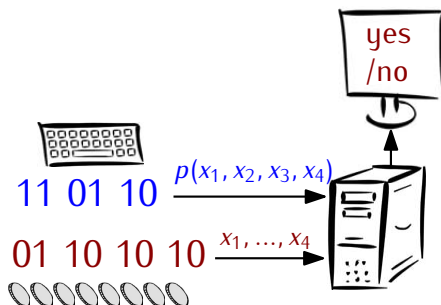
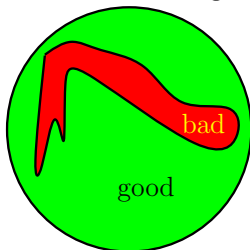
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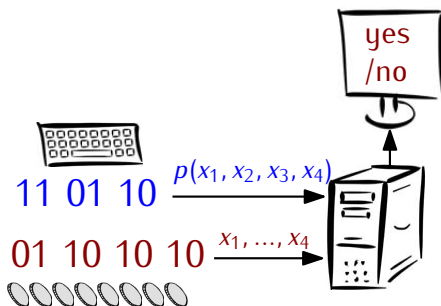
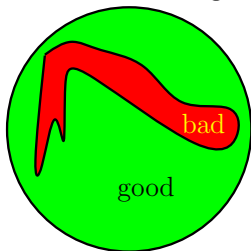
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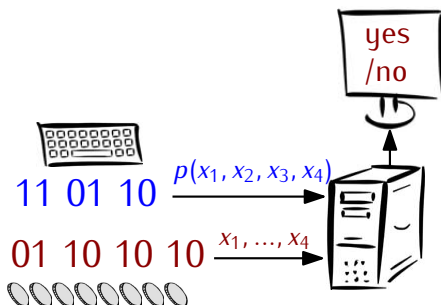
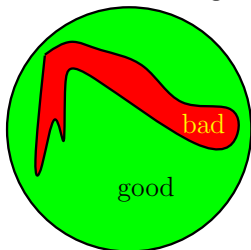
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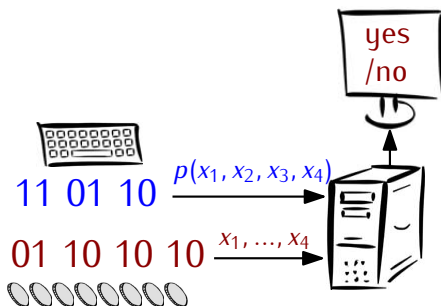
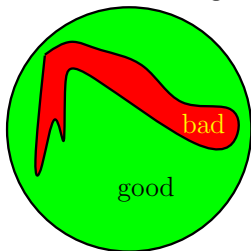


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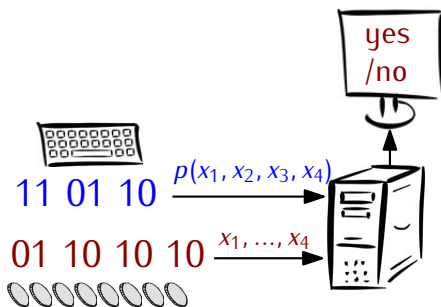
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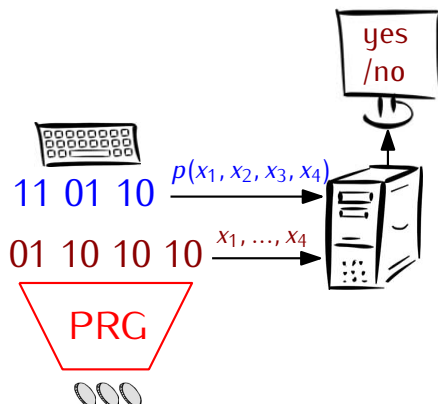
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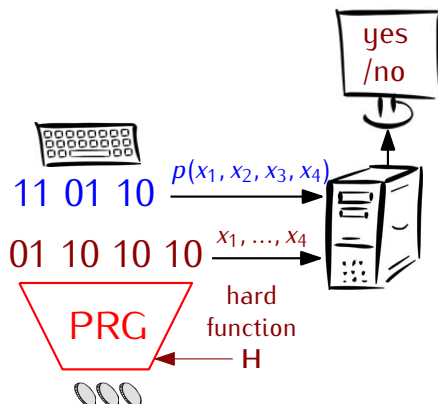
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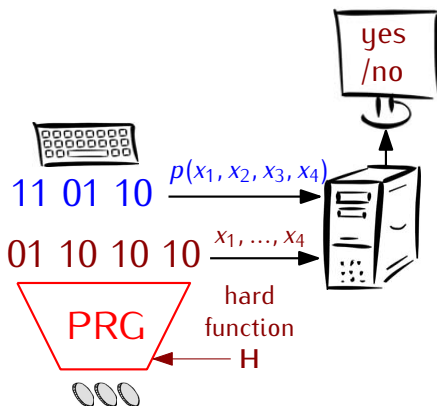
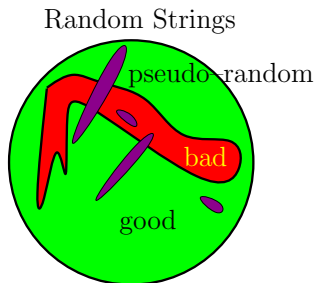


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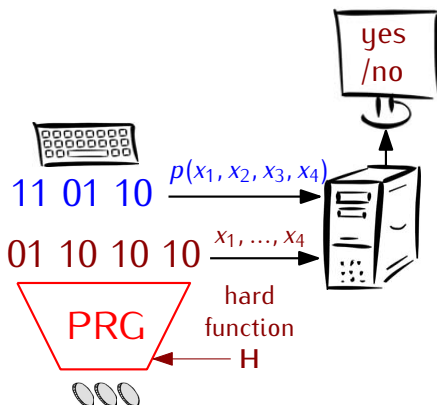
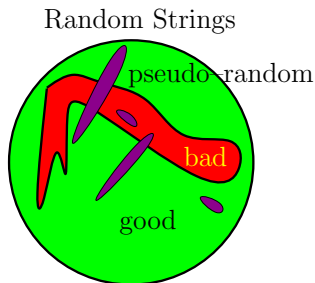


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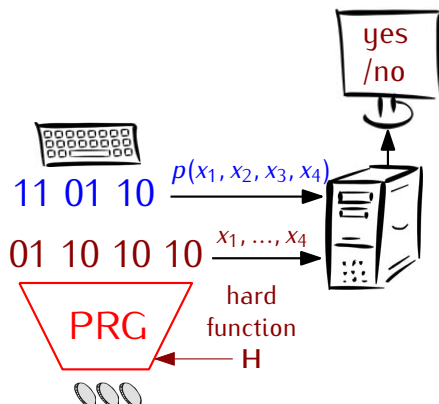


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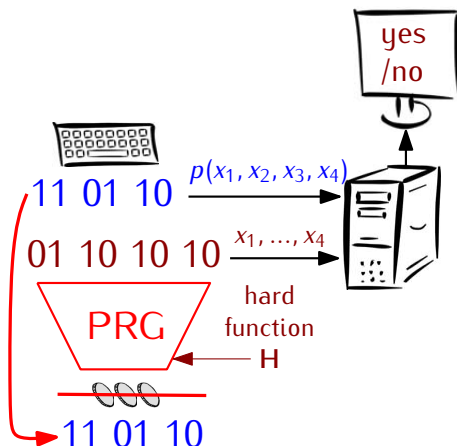
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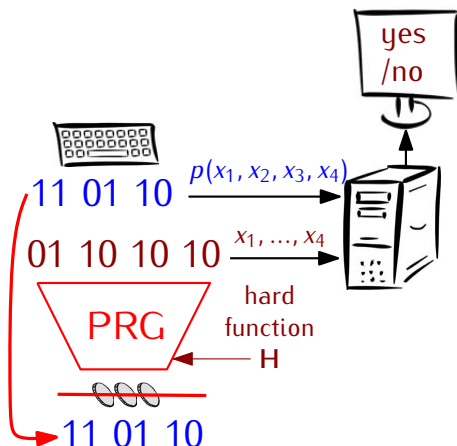
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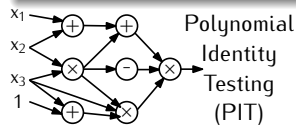
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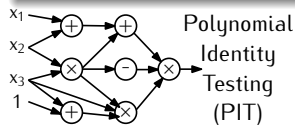
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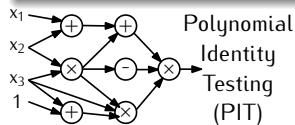


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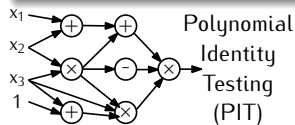
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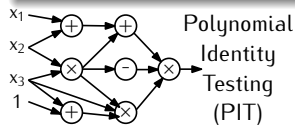


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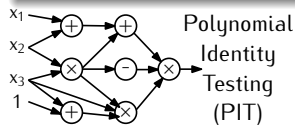


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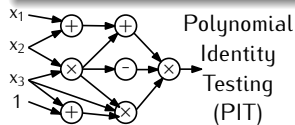


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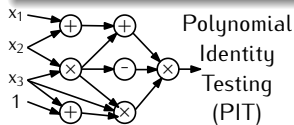


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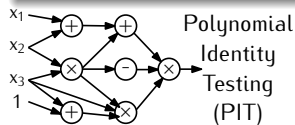


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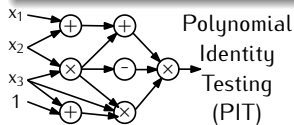


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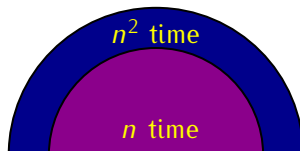
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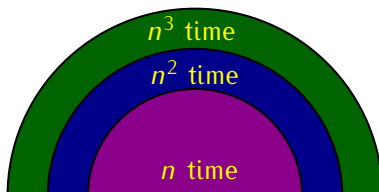
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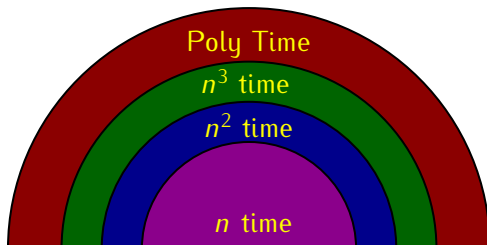
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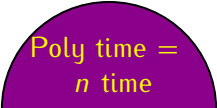
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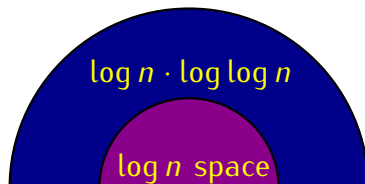
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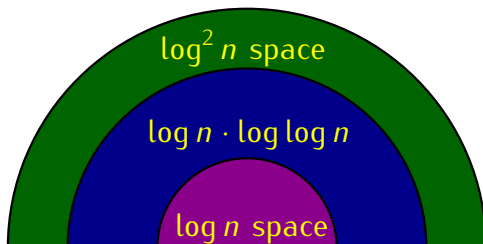
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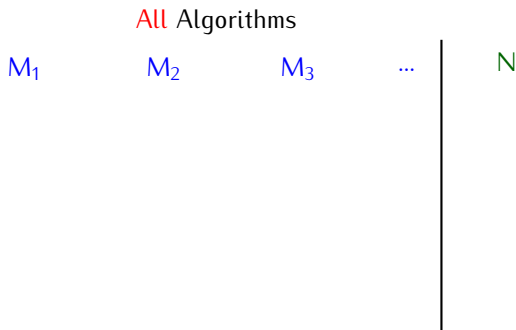
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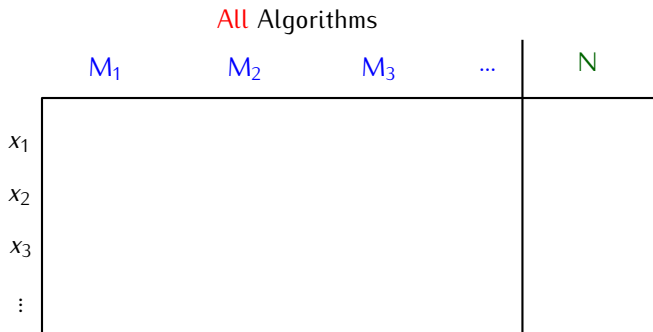
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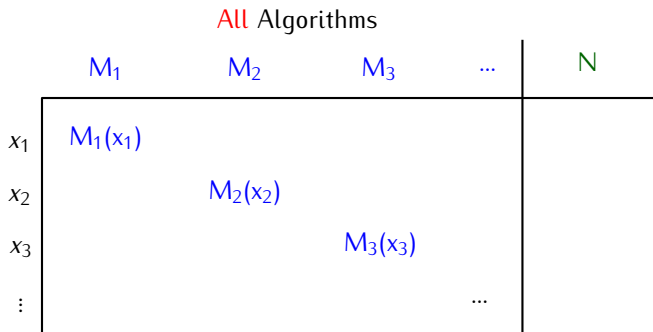
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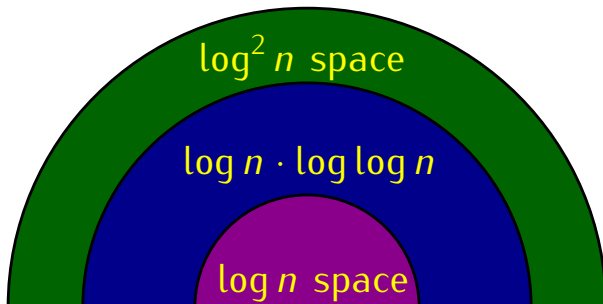
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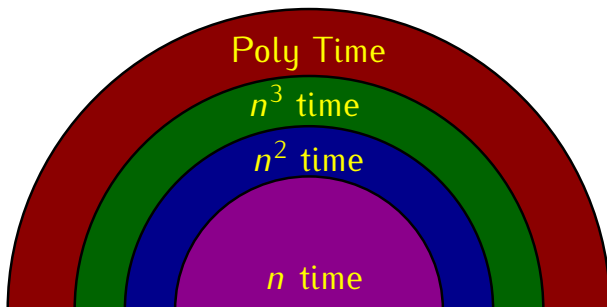
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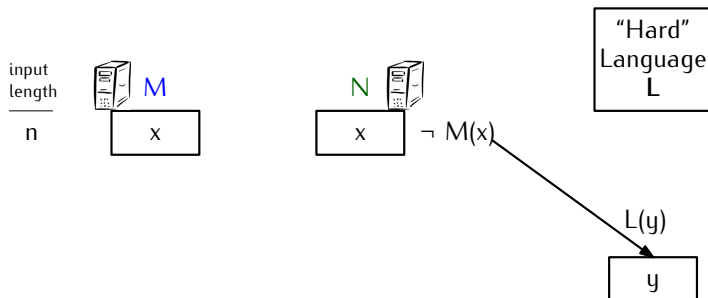


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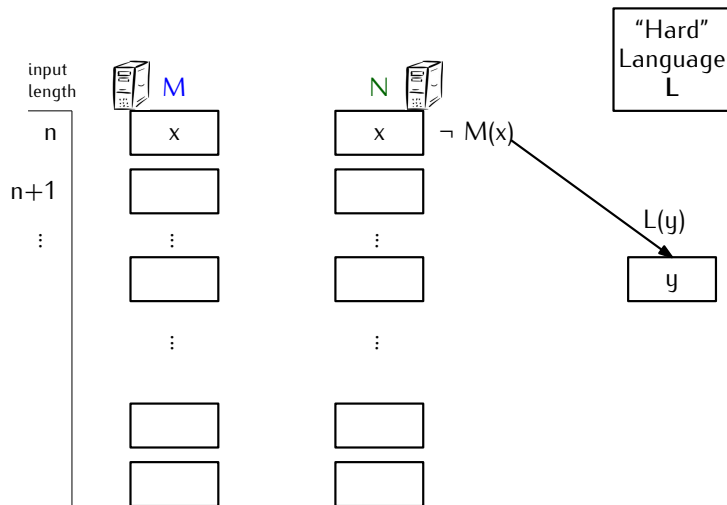


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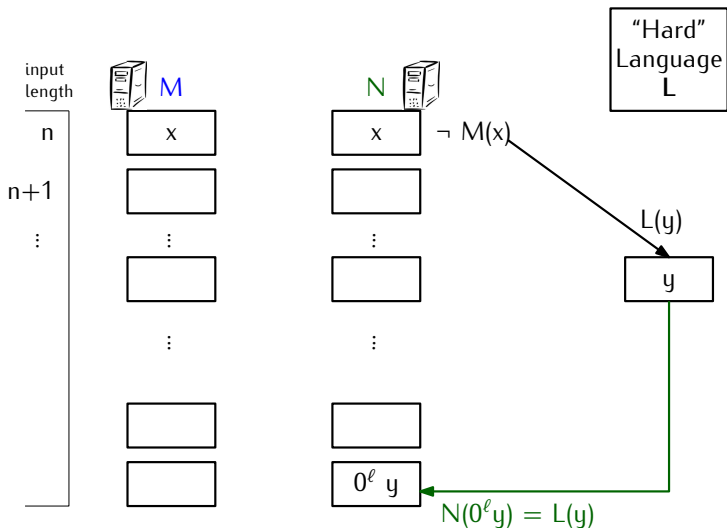
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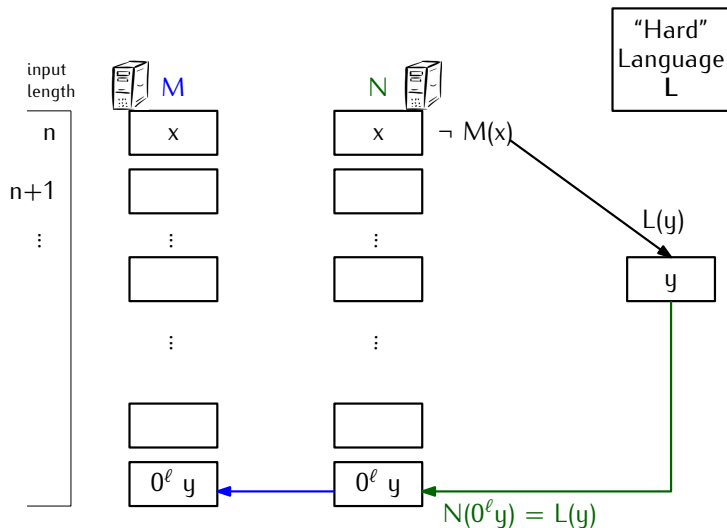
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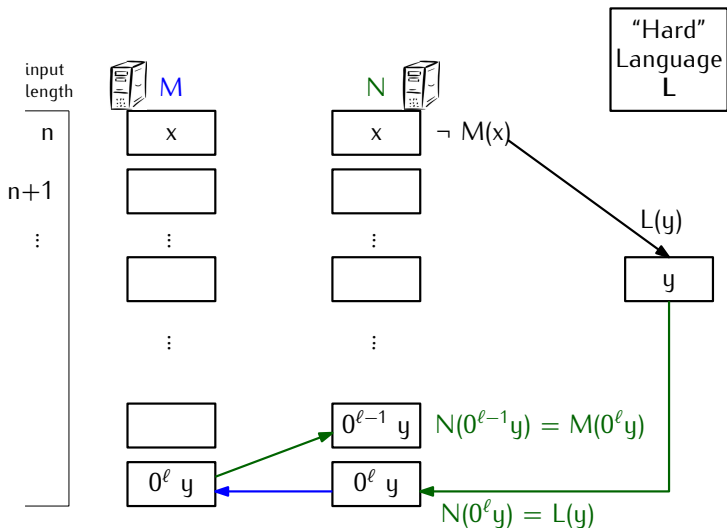
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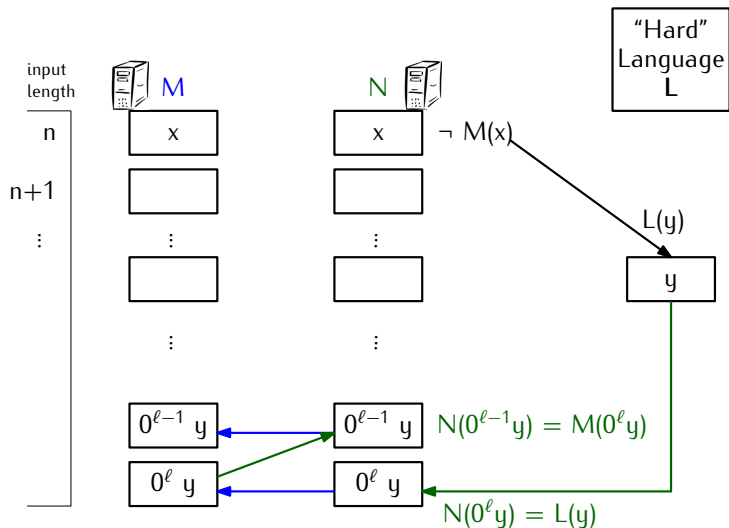
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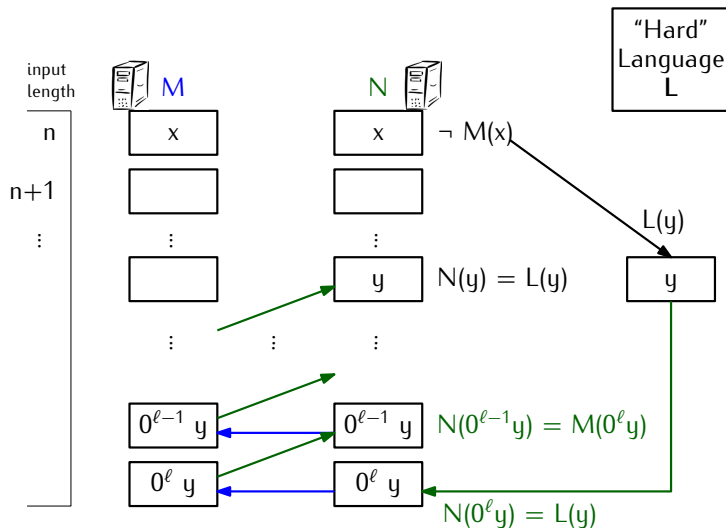
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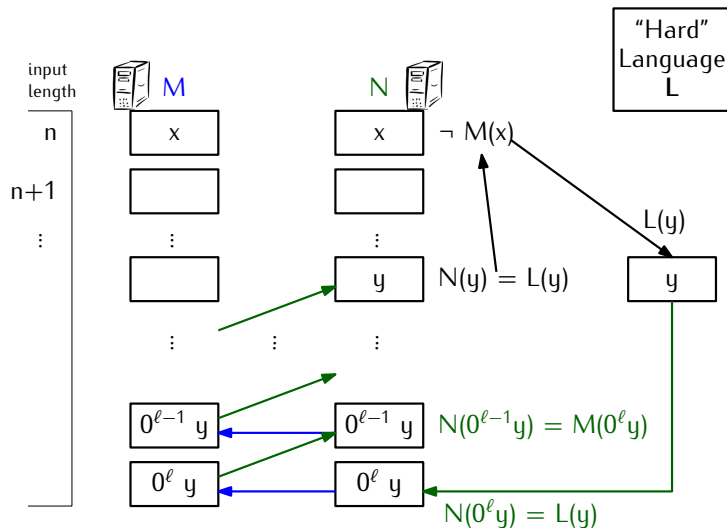
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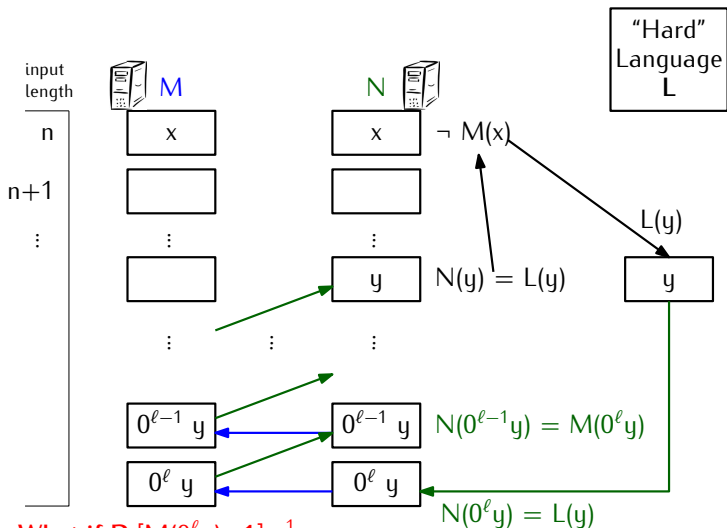
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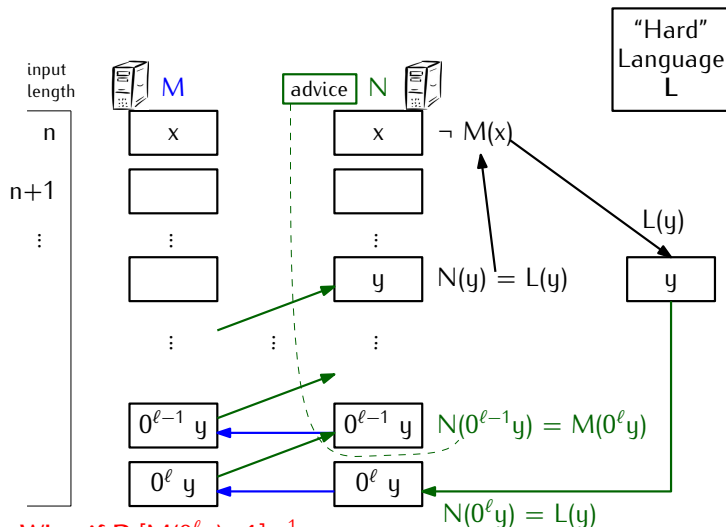


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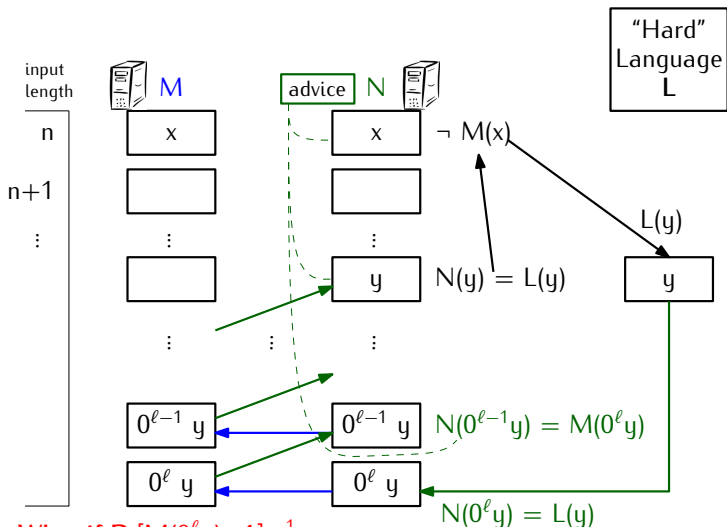
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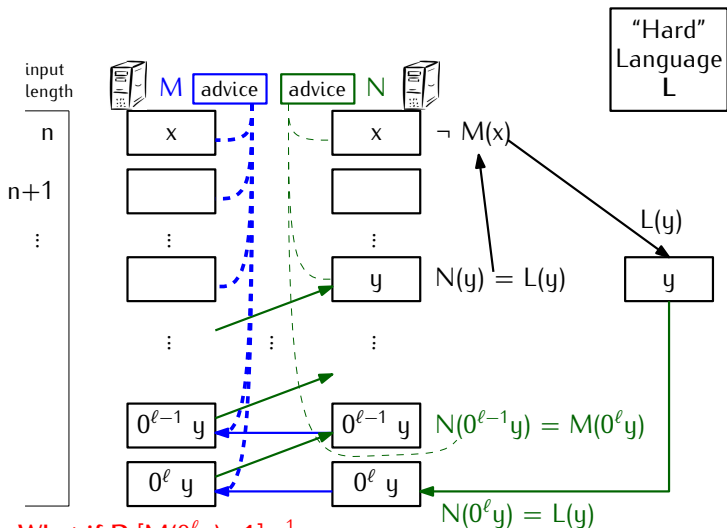
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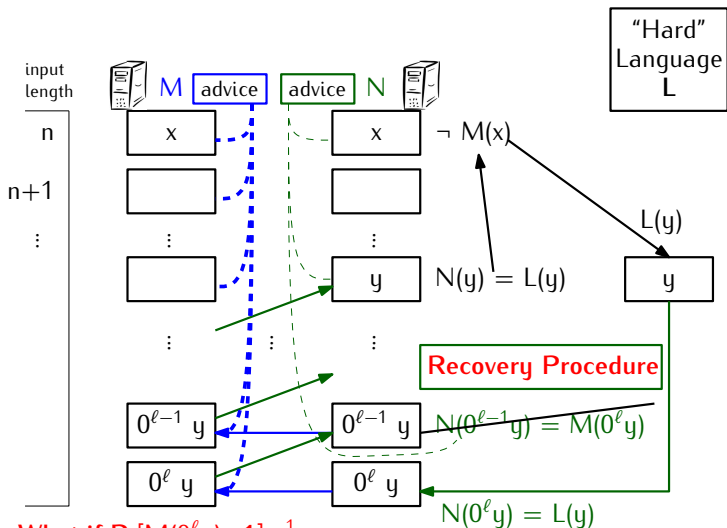
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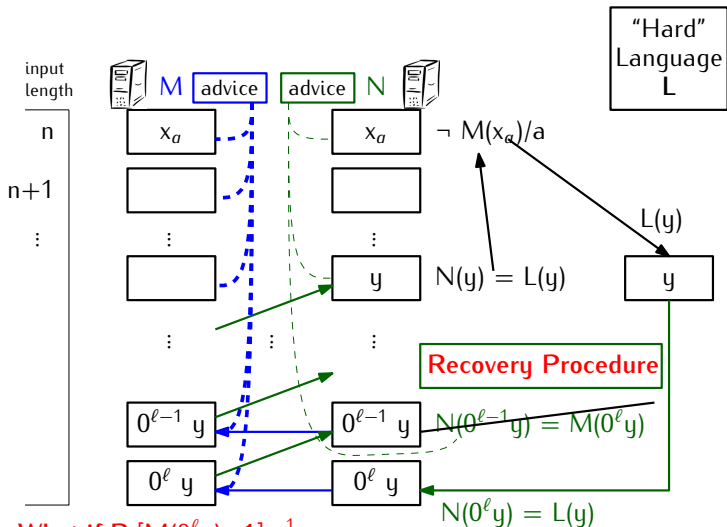


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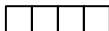
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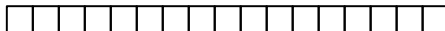
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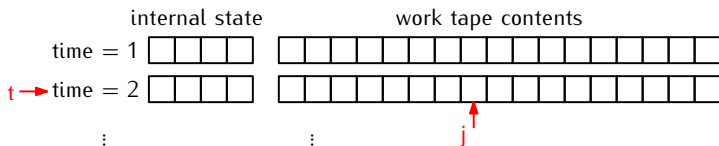
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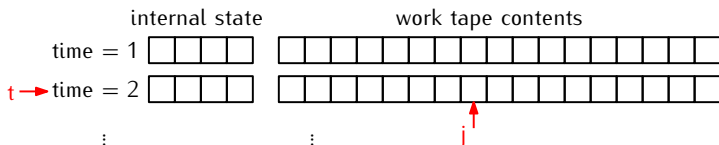
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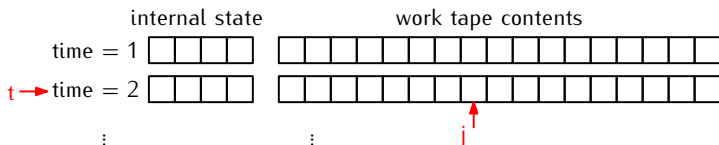
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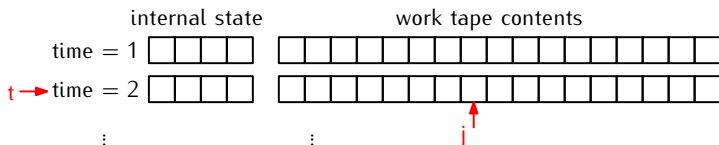


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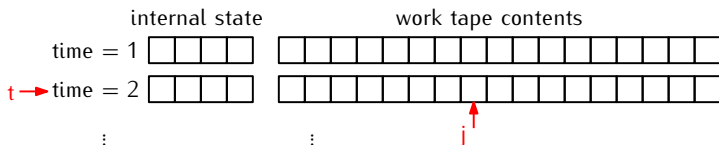
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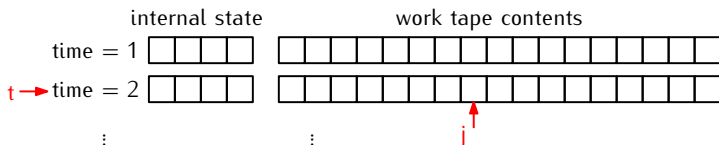
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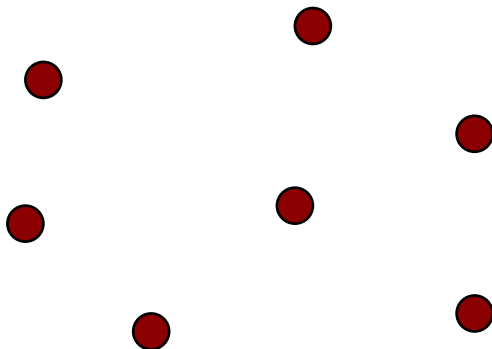
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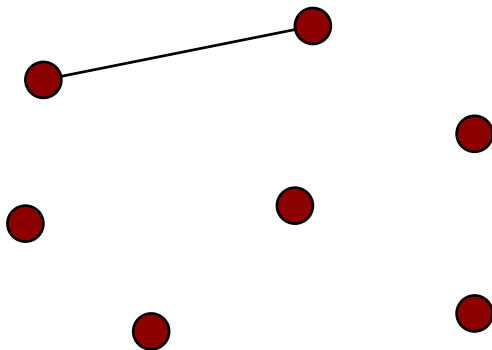
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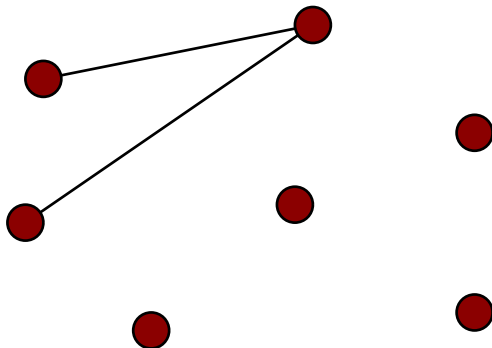
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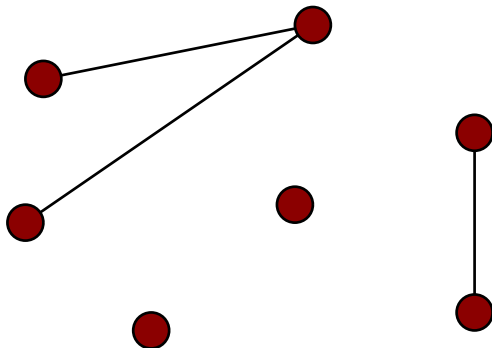
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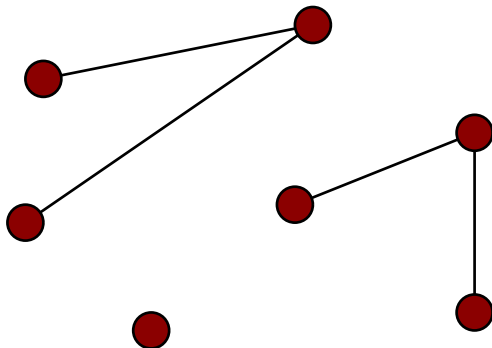
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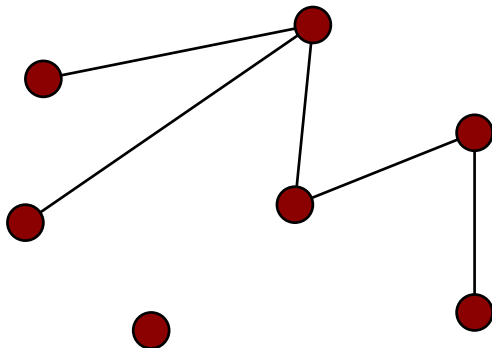
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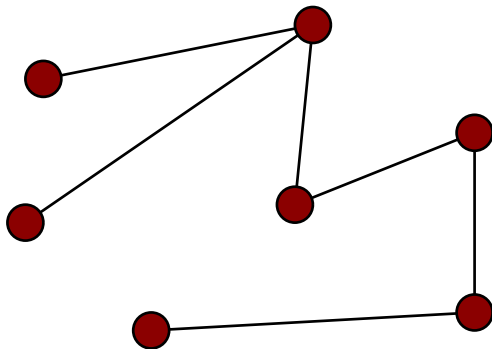
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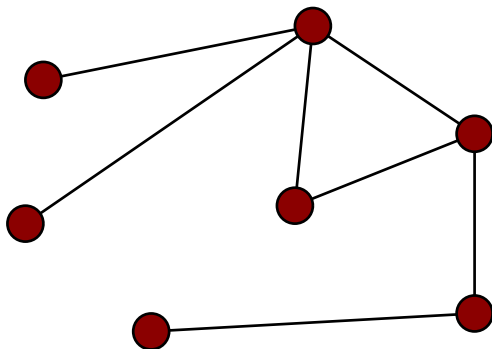
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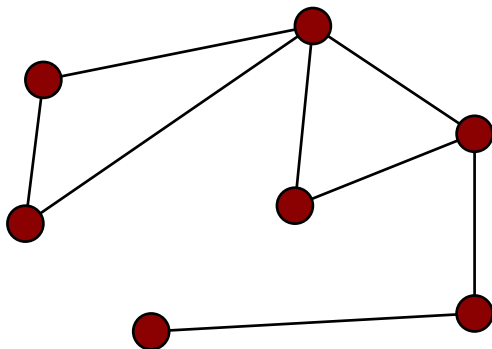
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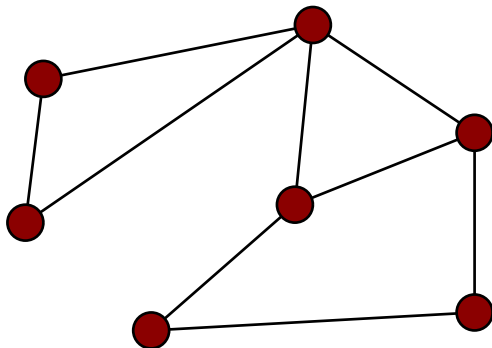
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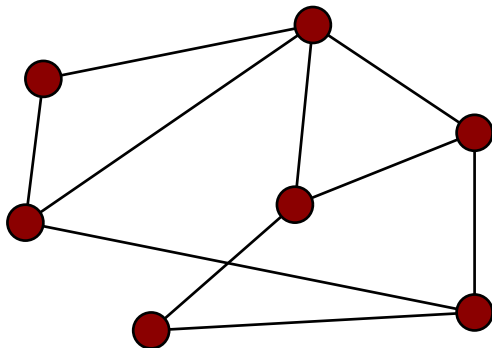
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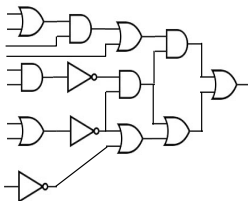
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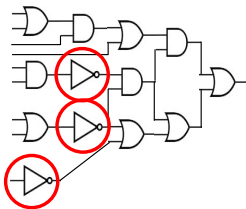


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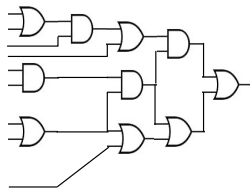
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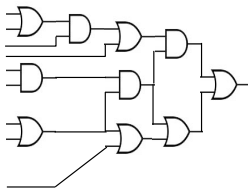
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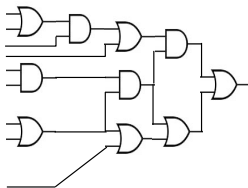


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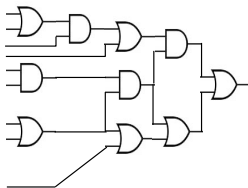
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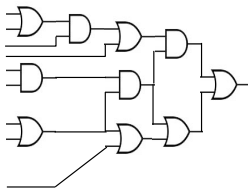
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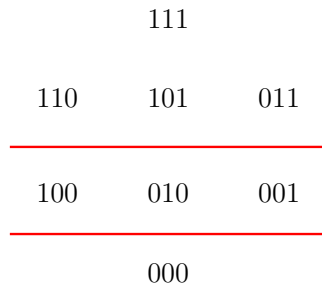
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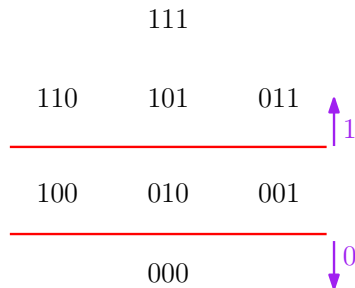
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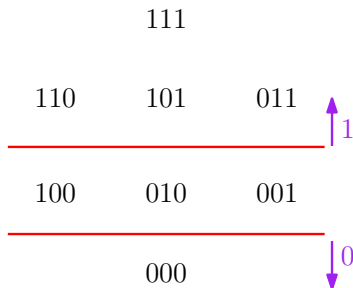
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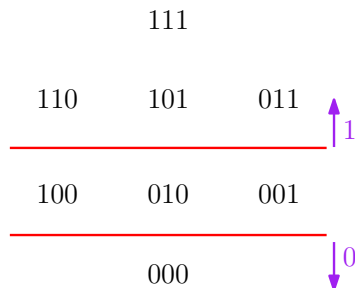


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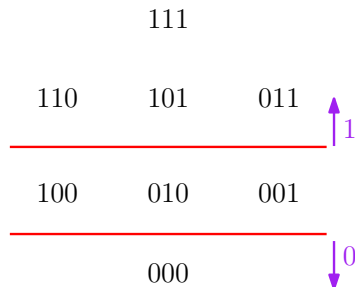
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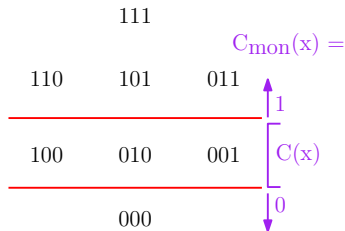
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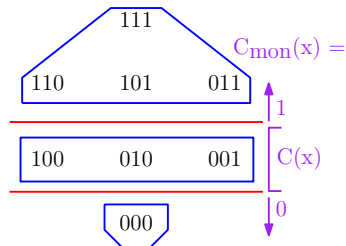
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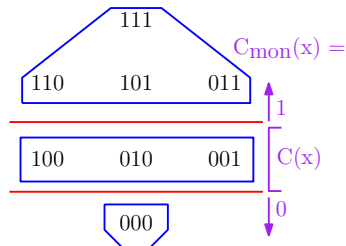
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Recap

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- Derandomizing Monotone Computations

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