

Linear and dynamic programming for constraints

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- Other relationships of DP and CP

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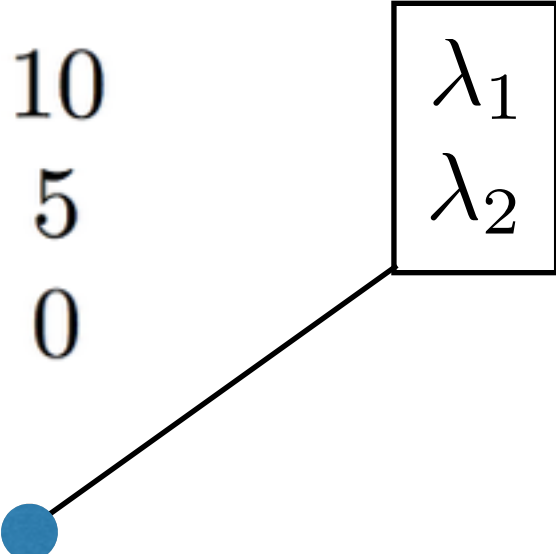
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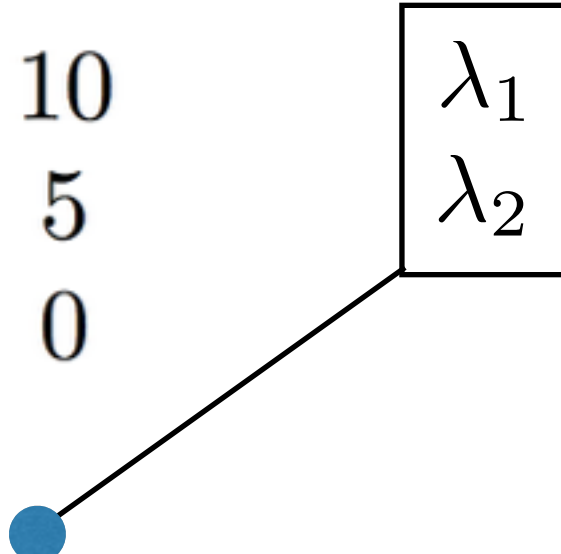
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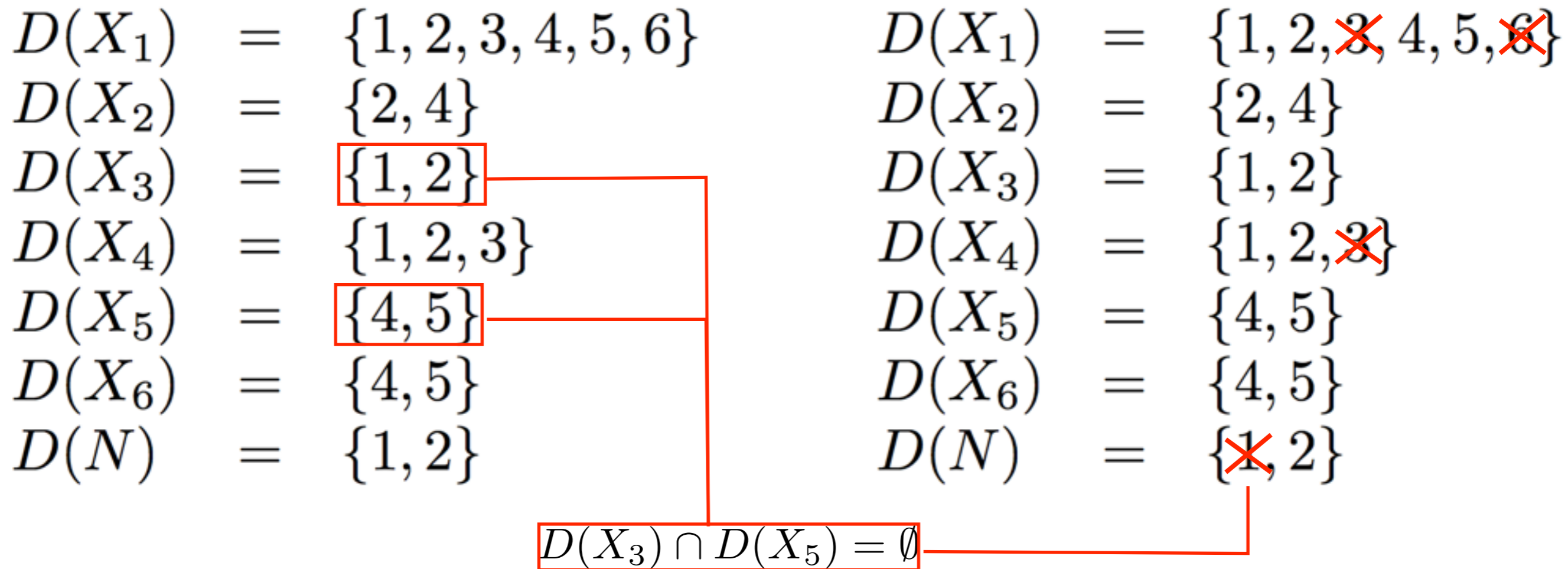
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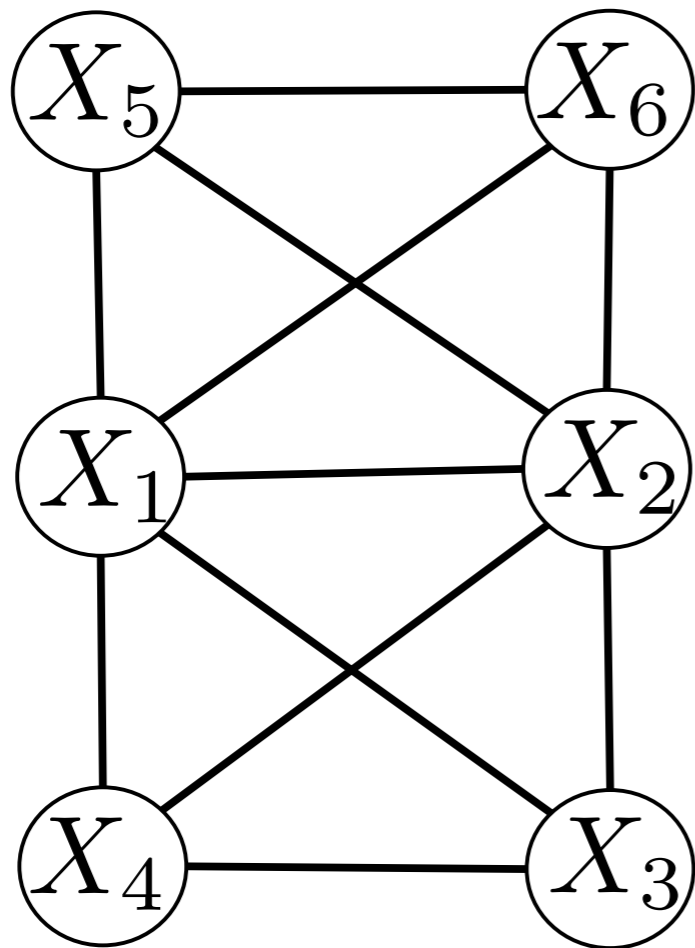


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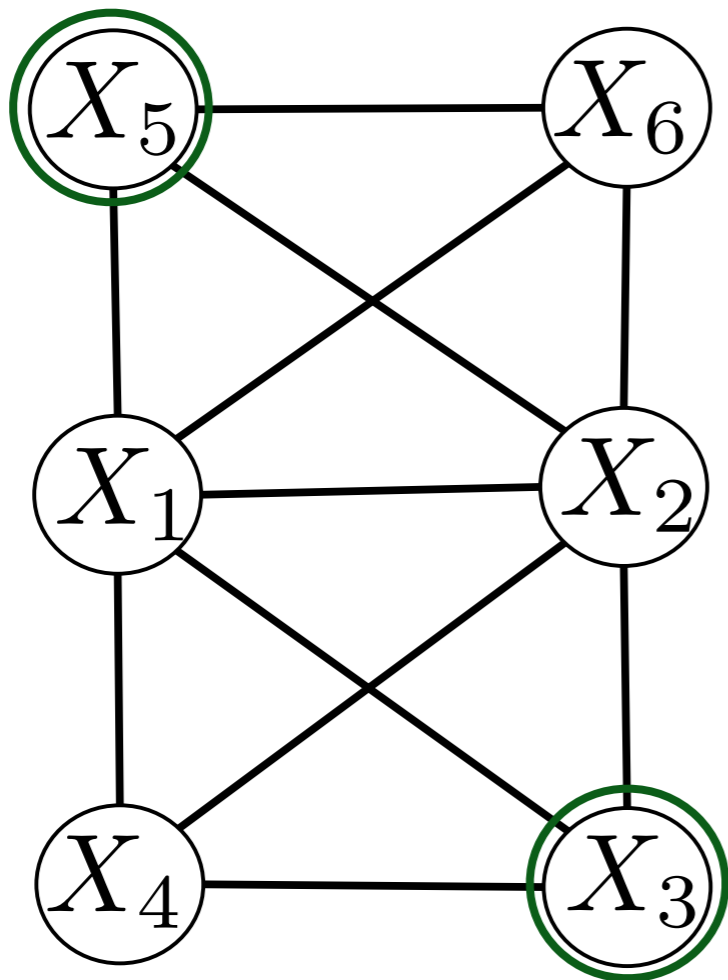
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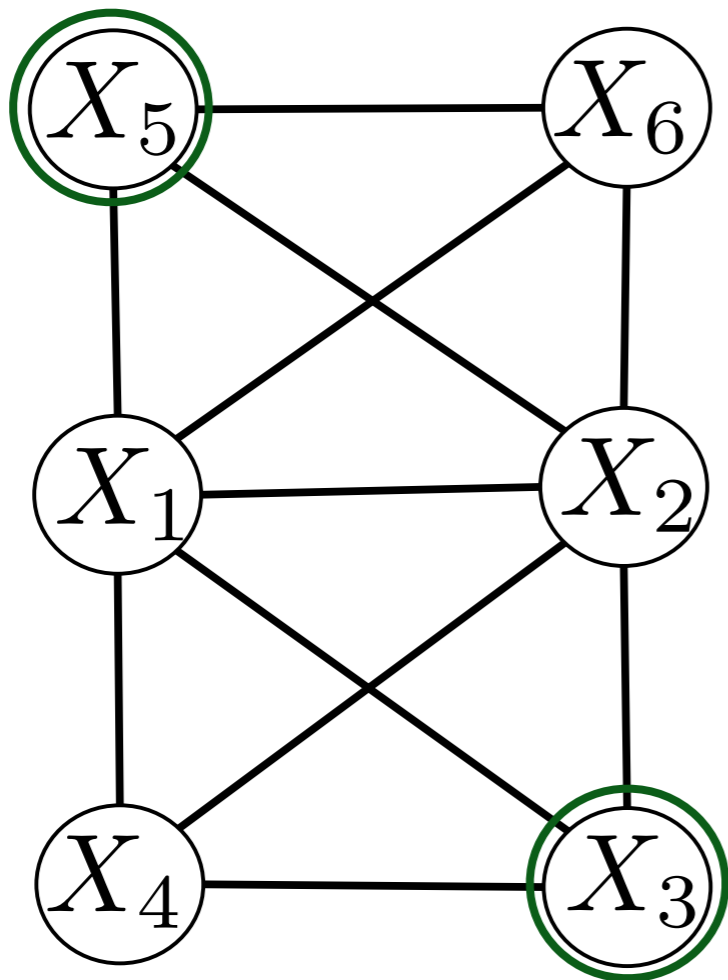
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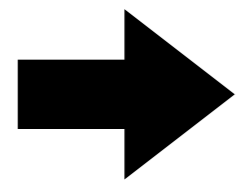
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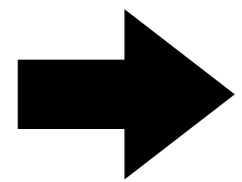
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AtMostNValue

ATMOSTNVALUE($[X_1, \dots, X_n], [Y_1, \dots, Y_m], N$)

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➔ Express reasonings on mandatory values

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➔ $Y_2 = 1$

Note that domains of X cannot be filtered...

Reduced cost based filtering

- Linear Programming duality
- First example: At**Most**NValue
- Filtering the upper bound of a 0/1 variable
- Filtering the lower bound of a 0/1 variable
- General principles
- Second example
- Assignment, Cumulative, Bin-packing, ...

Reduced cost based filtering

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The exact lower bound of N can be computed with the following MIP:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc} \text{Min } z = & y_1 & +y_2 & +y_3 & +y_4 & +y_5 & & \\ & y_1 & +y_2 & & & & \geq & 1 \quad (\text{Domain of } X_1) \\ & & y_2 & +y_3 & & & \geq & 1 \quad (\text{Domain of } X_2) \\ & & & & y_4 & +y_5 & \geq & 1 \quad (\text{Domain of } X_3) \\ & y_i & & & & & \in & \{0, 1\} \end{array}$$

$y_i \in \{0, 1\}$: do we use value i ?

Reduced cost based filtering

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Consider the linear relaxation:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc} \text{Min } z = & y_1 & +y_2 & +y_3 & +y_4 & +y_5 & & \\ & y_1 & +y_2 & & & & \geq & 1 \\ & & y_2 & +y_3 & & & \geq & 1 \\ & & & & y_4 & +y_5 & \geq & 1 \\ & y_i & & & & & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

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First of all, we get $z^* = 2$

$$y^* = (0, \overset{y_2^*}{1}, 0, \overset{y_4^*}{1}, 0)$$

Reduced cost based filtering

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$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Min } z = \quad y_1 \quad +y_2 \quad +y_3 \quad +y_4 \quad +y_5 \\
 \quad \quad y_1 \quad +y_2 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \geq \quad 1 \\
 \text{(P)} \quad \quad \quad y_2 \quad +y_3 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \geq \quad 1 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad y_4 \quad +y_5 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \geq \quad 1 \\
 \quad \quad \quad y_i \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \geq \quad 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Max } w = \quad \lambda_1 \quad +\lambda_2 \quad +\lambda_3 \\
 \quad \quad \lambda_1 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \leq \quad 1 \\
 \text{(D)} \quad \quad \lambda_1 \quad +\lambda_2 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \leq \quad 1 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \lambda_2 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \leq \quad 1 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \lambda_3 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \leq \quad 1 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \lambda_3 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \leq \quad 1 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \lambda_j \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \geq \quad 0
 \end{array}$$

Reduced cost based filtering

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 \text{Min } z = & y_1 & +y_2 & +y_3 & +y_4 & +y_5 & & \\
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 \text{(P)} & & y_2 & +y_3 & & & \geq & 1 & (\lambda_2) \\
 & & & & y_4 & +y_5 & \geq & 1 & (\lambda_3) \\
 & y_i & & & & & \geq & 0 &
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcll}
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 & \lambda_1 & & & & \leq & 1 & (y_1) \\
 \text{(D)} & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 & (y_2) \\
 & & \lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 & (y_3) \\
 & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 & (y_4) \\
 & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 & (y_5) \\
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 \end{array}$$

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 & & & \lambda_3 & \leq & 1 \\
 & \lambda_j & & & \geq & 0
 \end{array}$$

	y^*
(y_1)	(0)
(y_2)	(1)
(y_3)	(0)
(y_4)	(1)
(y_5)	(0)

Reduced cost based filtering

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 \end{array}$$

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Let's try to filter value 1 from X_1 :

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(γ)	(?)

Reduced cost based filtering

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 & y_i & & & & & \geq & 0
 \end{array}$$

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 \text{Max } w = & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & +\lambda_3 & \boxed{+\gamma} \\
 & \lambda_1 & & & \boxed{+\gamma} & \leq & 1 \\
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 & & \lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\
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 \end{array}$$

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 \end{array}$$

We can build a dual solution by setting γ greedily to $(1 - \lambda_1^*)$

Note that we are not solving the LP again

Reduced cost based filtering

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$$\lambda^* = (0, 1, 1)$$

Reduced cost based filtering

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 \text{Max } w = & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & +\lambda_3 & +\gamma & & \\
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 & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\
 & & \lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\
 & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 \\
 & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 \\
 & \lambda_j, & \gamma & & & \geq & 0
 \end{array}
 \quad \lambda^* = (0, 1, 1)$$

We can build a **feasible dual** solution by setting γ to $(1 - \lambda_1^*)$

Reduced cost based filtering

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Thus $z^* + (1 - \lambda_1^*)$ is a lower bound of the modified problem

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Upper bound of N

So $z^* + (1 - \lambda_1^*) > \textcircled{2} \implies y_1 \neq 1 \quad (X_1 \neq 1)$

Reduced cost based filtering

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We can build a **feasible dual** solution by setting γ to $(1 - \lambda_1^*)$

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So $z^* + \underbrace{(1 - \lambda_1^*)}_{\text{Reduced cost of } y_1} > \underbrace{2}_{\text{Upper bound of } N} \implies y_1 \neq 1 \quad (X_1 \neq 1)$

(Slack of the dual constraint)

Reduced cost based filtering

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$$\begin{array}{rcccccc} \text{Max } w = & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & +\lambda_3 & +\gamma & & \\ & \lambda_1 & & & +\gamma & \leq & 1 \\ & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\ & & \lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\ & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 \\ & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 \\ & \lambda_j, & \gamma & & & \geq & 0 \end{array} \quad \lambda^* = (0, 1, 1)$$

So $z^* + rc(y_1) > \bar{z} \implies y_1 \neq 1 \quad (X_1 \neq 1)$

Reduced cost of y_1 : $rc(y_1) = (1 - \lambda_1^*) = 1$

Reduced cost based filtering

$$D(X_1) = \{\cancel{1}, 2\} \quad D(X_2) = \{2, \cancel{3}\} \quad D(X_3) = \{4, 5\} \quad D(N) = \{\cancel{1}, 2\}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc} \text{Max } w = & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & +\lambda_3 & +\gamma & & \\ & \lambda_1 & & & +\gamma & \leq & 1 \\ & \lambda_1 & +\lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\ & & \lambda_2 & & & \leq & 1 \\ & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 \\ & & & \lambda_3 & & \leq & 1 \\ & \lambda_j, & \gamma & & & \geq & 0 \end{array} \quad \lambda^* = (0, 1, 1)$$

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Reduced cost of y_1 : $rc(y_1) = (1 - \lambda_1^*) = 1$

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Reduced cost based filtering

$$D(X_1) = \{\cancel{1}, 2\} \quad D(X_2) = \{2, \cancel{3}\} \quad D(X_3) = \{4, 5\} \quad D(N) = \{\cancel{1}, 2\}$$

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Reduced cost of y_3 : $rc(y_3) = (1 - \lambda_2^*) = (1 - 1) = 0$

We cannot filter value 3 using this dual solution

Reduced cost based filtering

$$D(X_1) = \{\cancel{1}, 2\} \quad D(X_2) = \{2, \cancel{3}\} \quad D(X_3) = \{4, 5\} \quad D(N) = \{\cancel{1}, 2\}$$

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But consider
 $\lambda^* = (1, 0, 1)$

Reduced cost based filtering

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Value 3 is now filtered but value 1 is not filtered anymore

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- How to filter **the lower bound** of y_i ?

Reduced cost based filtering

- Linear Programming duality
- First example: At**Most**NValue
- Filtering the upper bound of a 0/1 variable
- Filtering the lower bound of a 0/1 variable
- General principles
- Second example
- Assignment, Cumulative, Bin-packing, ...

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1. **Include** in the original LP the constraint $y_2 \leq 1$
2. Solve the **modified** problem and perform **sensibility analysis** on the right hand side of $y_2 \leq 1$

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Feasibility of the dual solution is not affected by the change !

Reduced cost based filtering

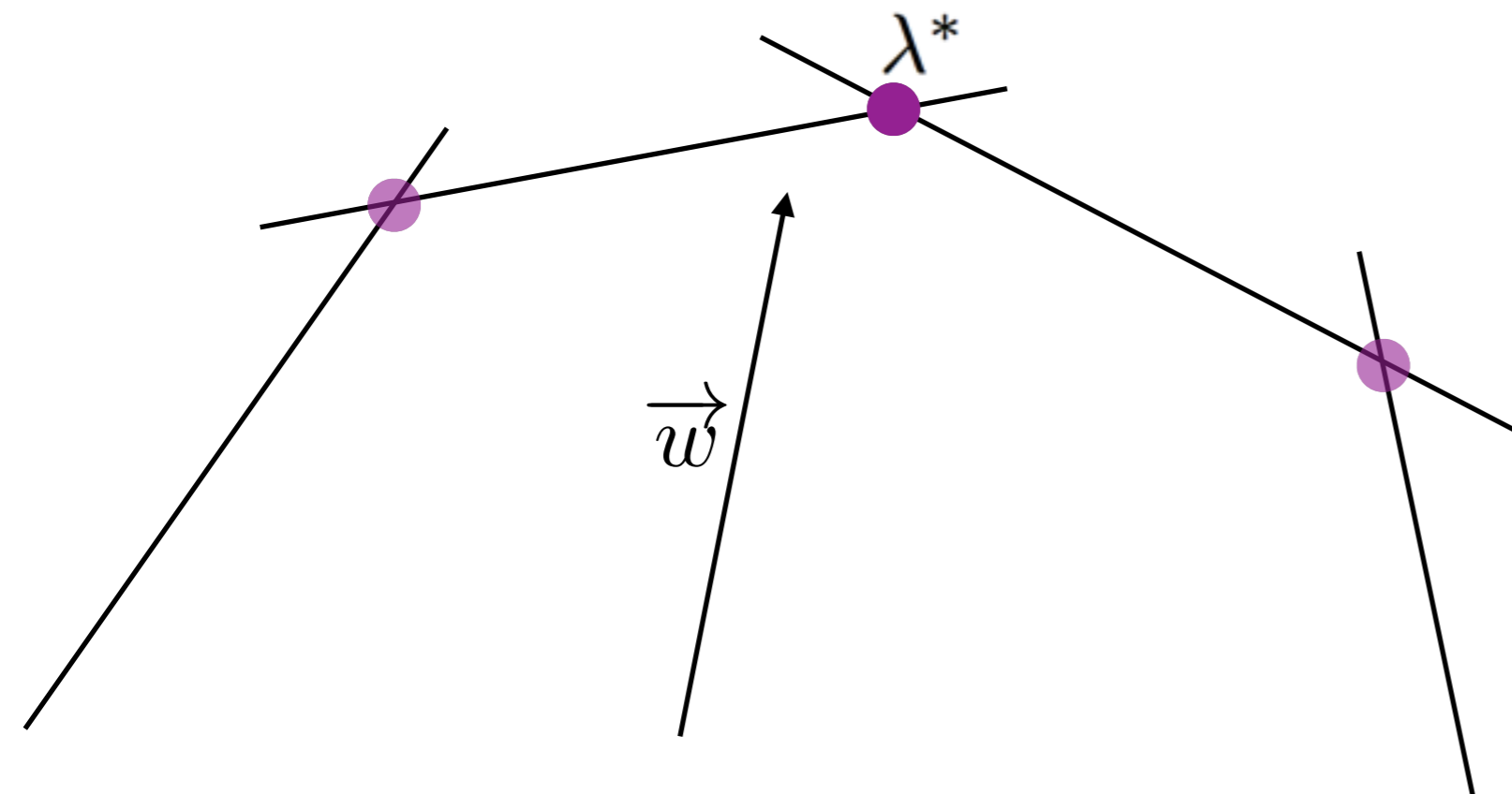
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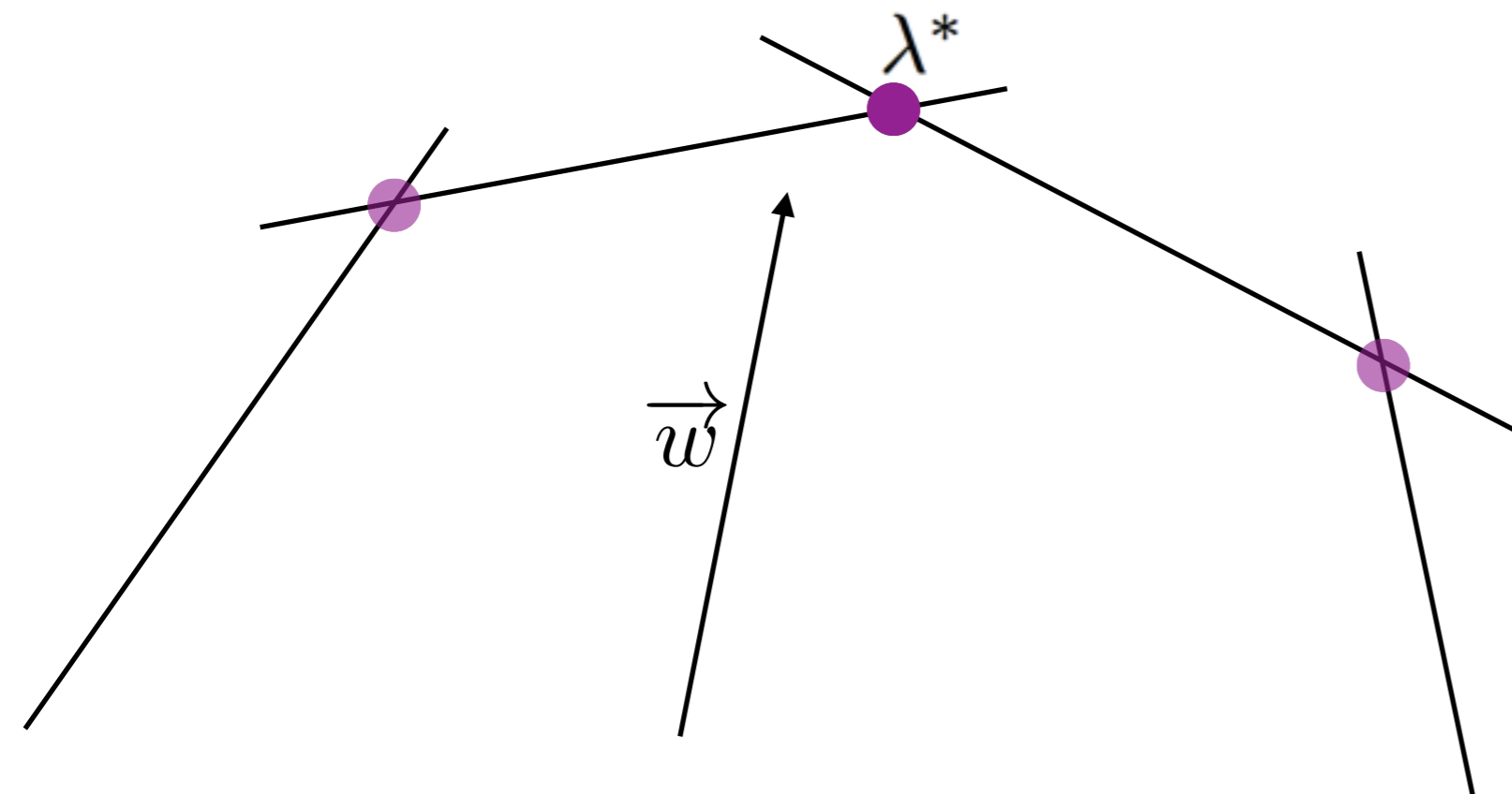
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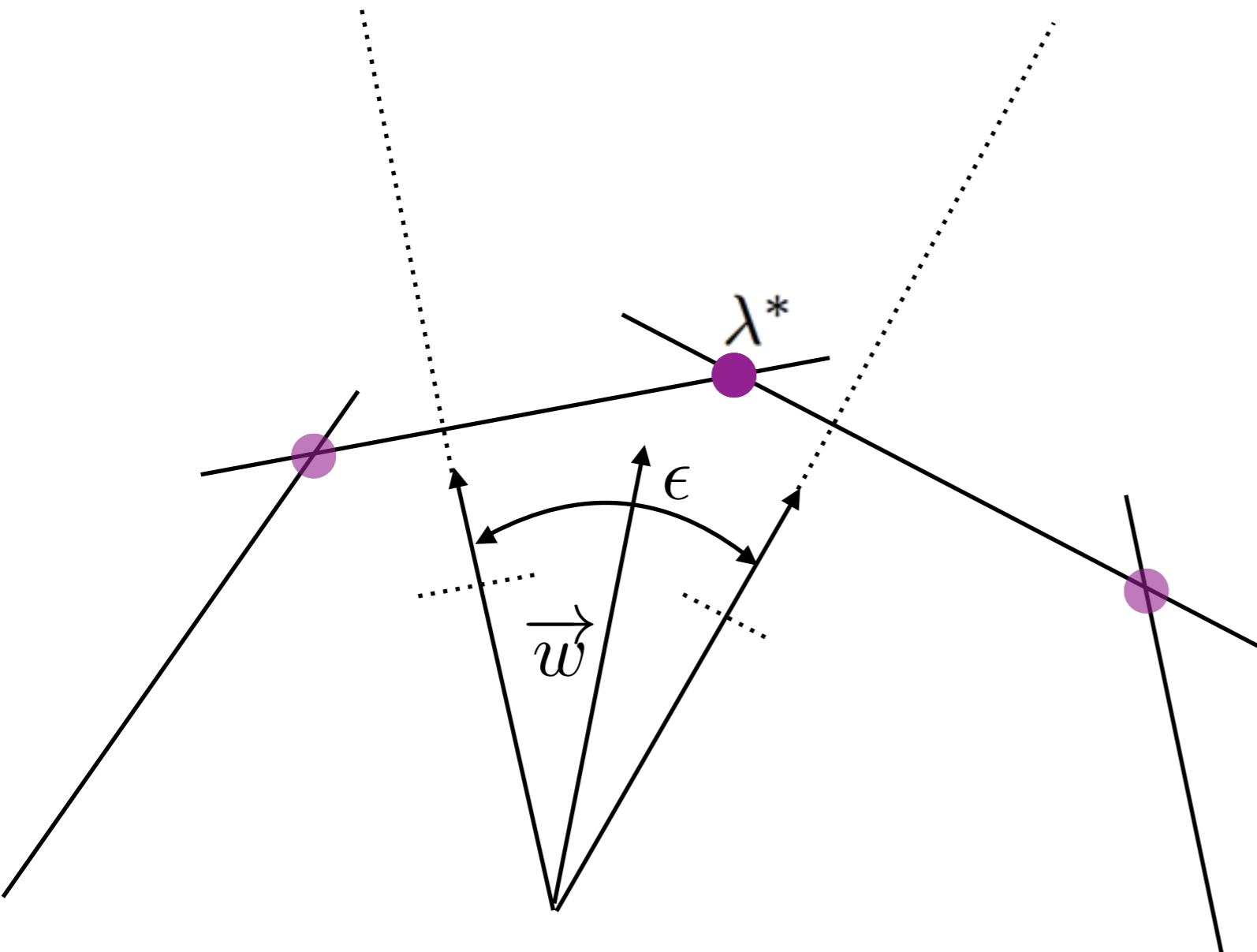
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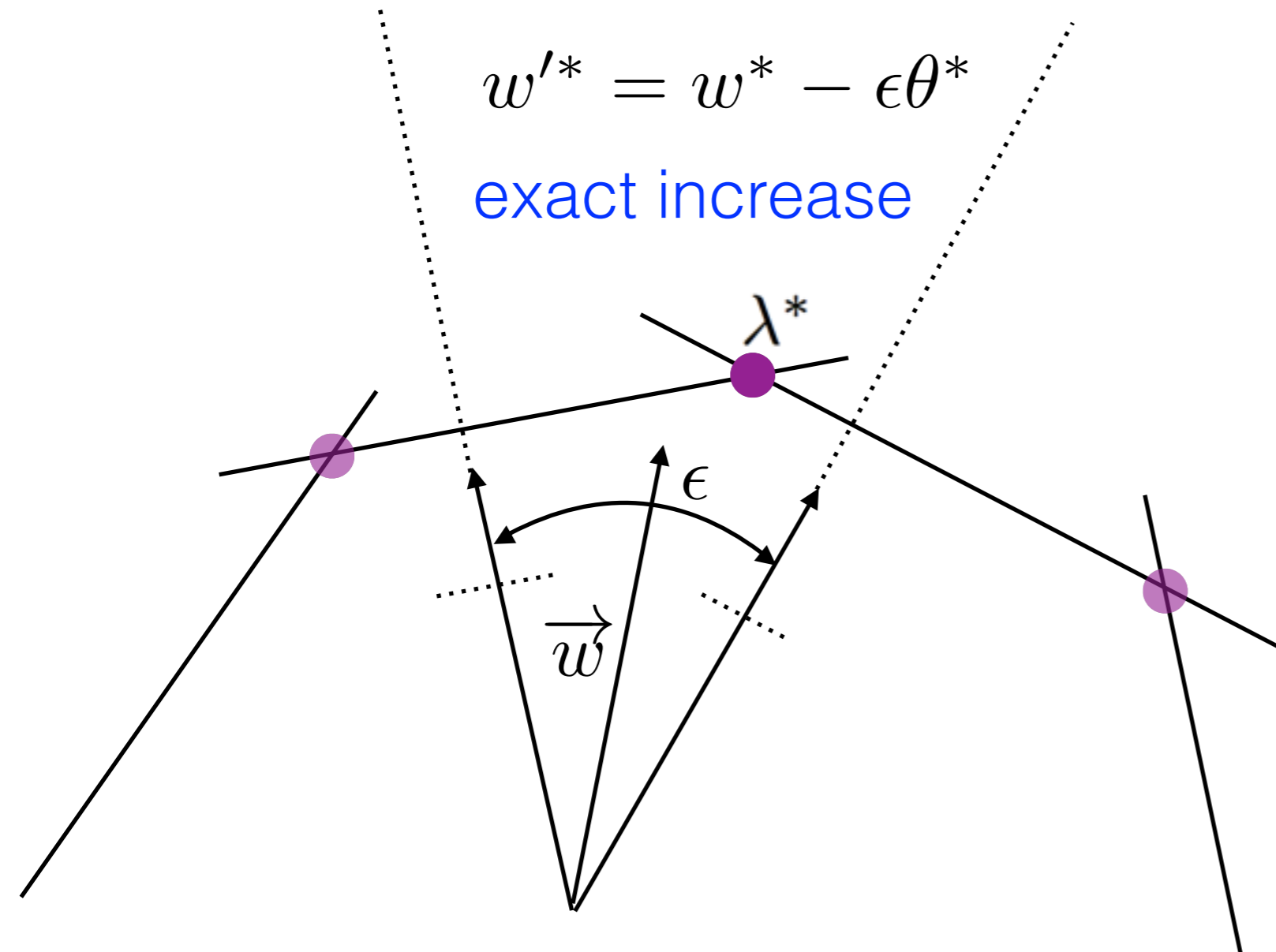
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exact increase



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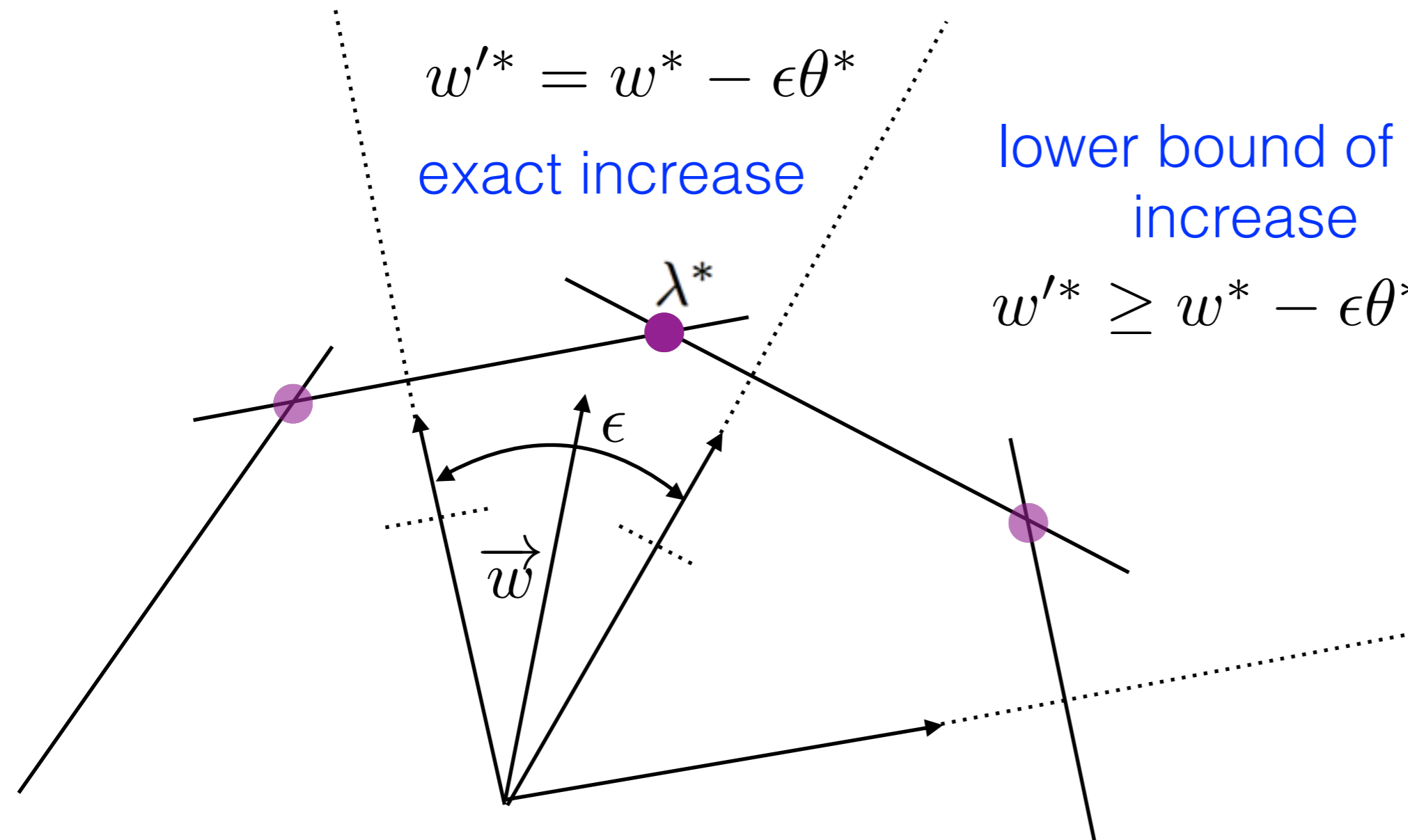
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lower bound of the increase

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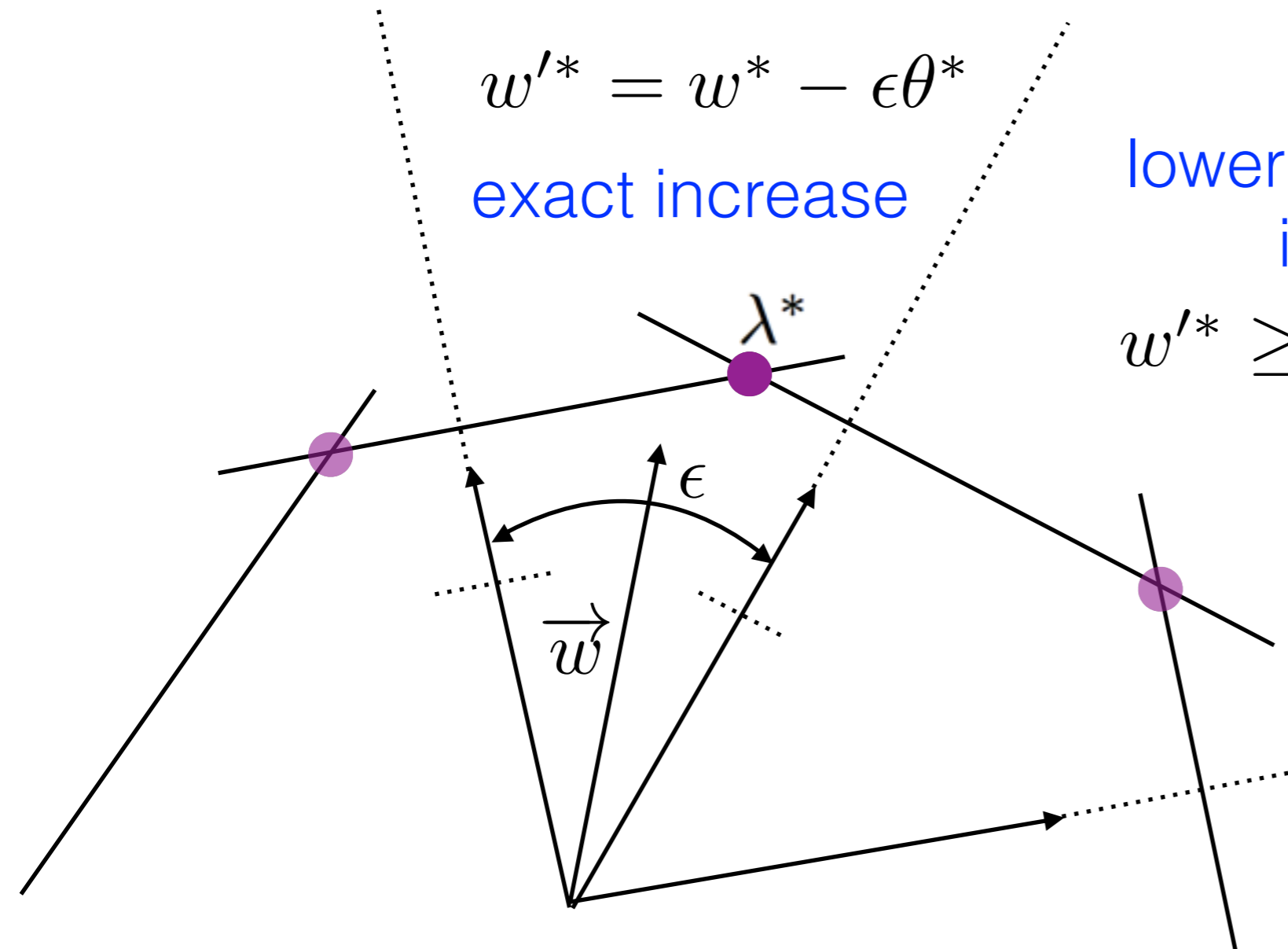
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If we ignore θ and compute the reduced cost of y_2 :

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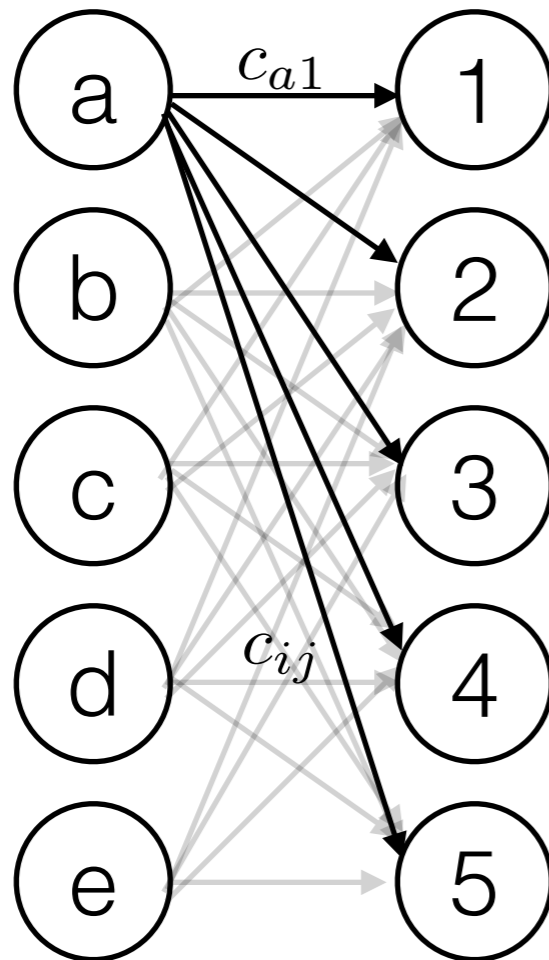
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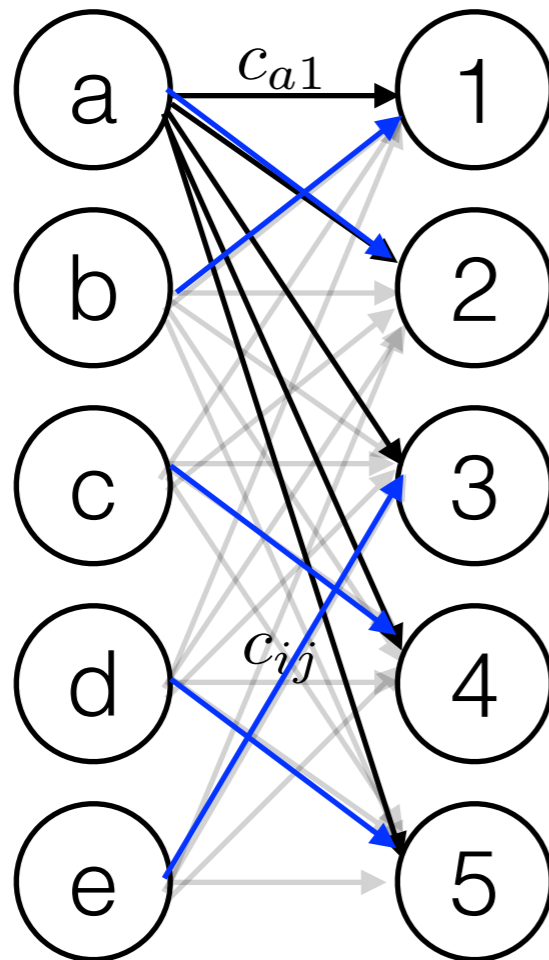
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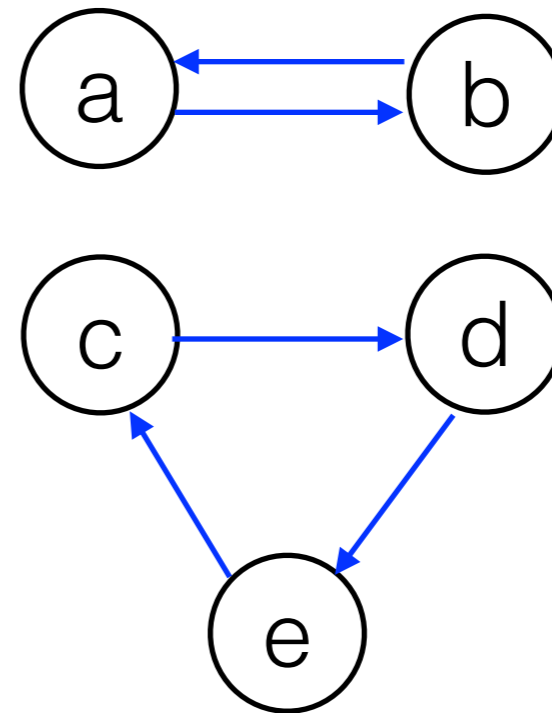
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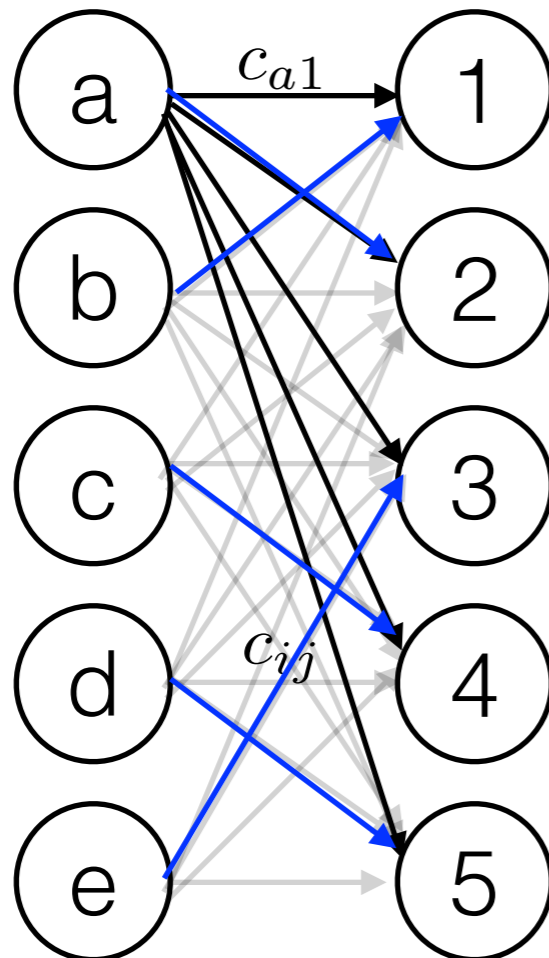


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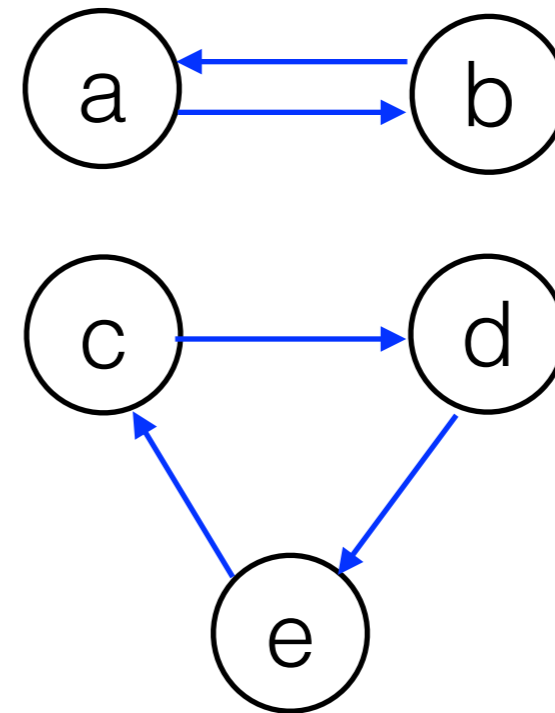


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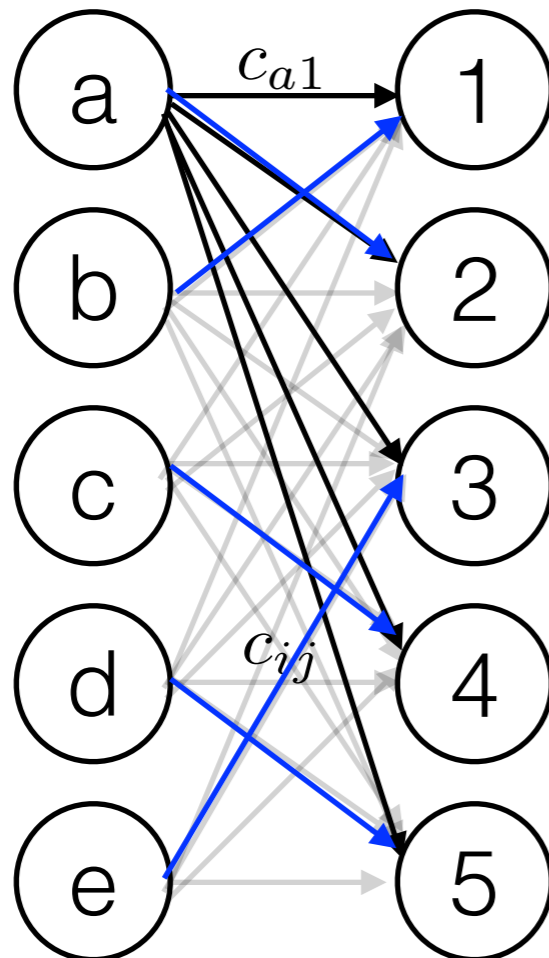
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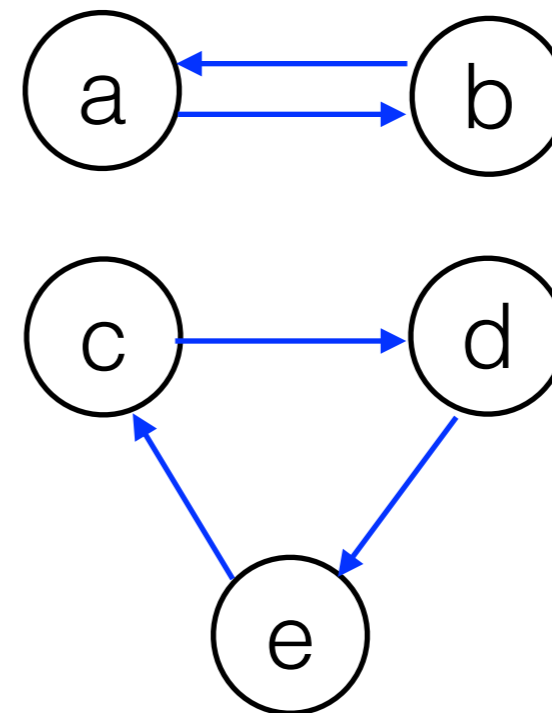
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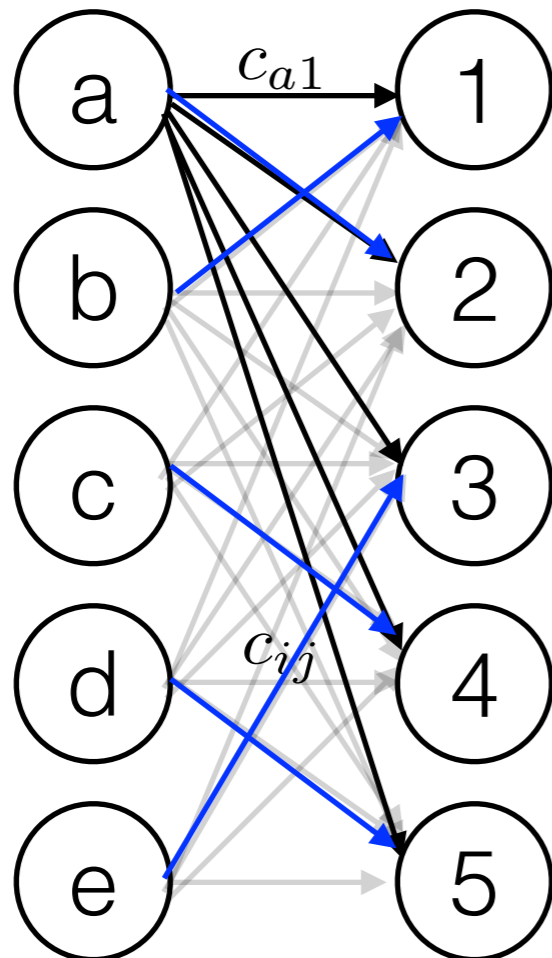


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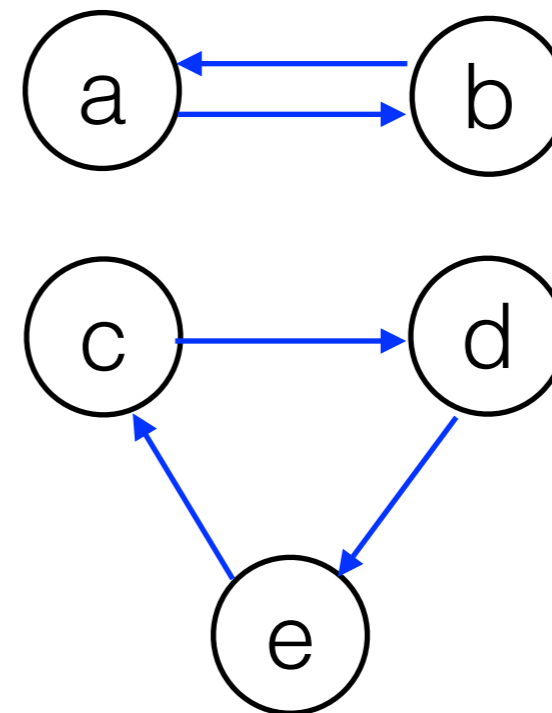
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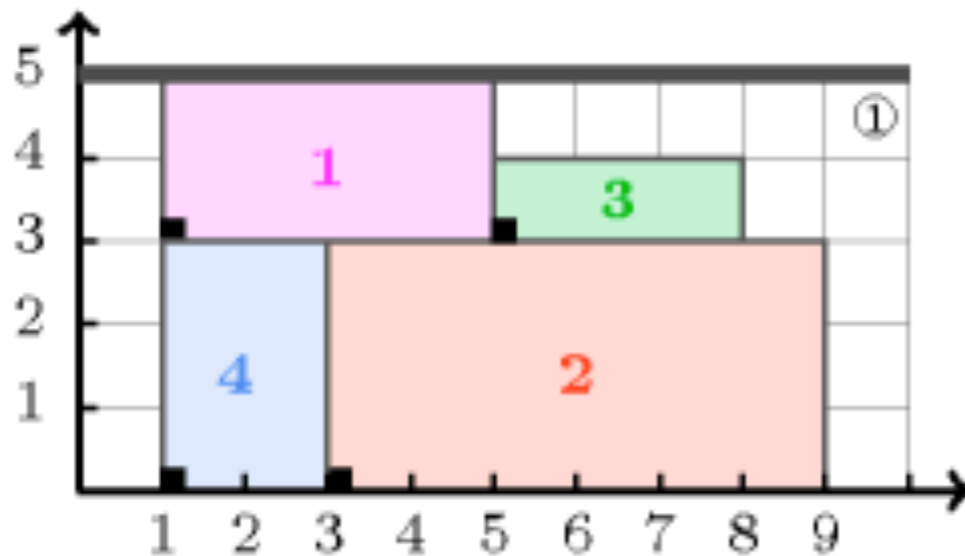
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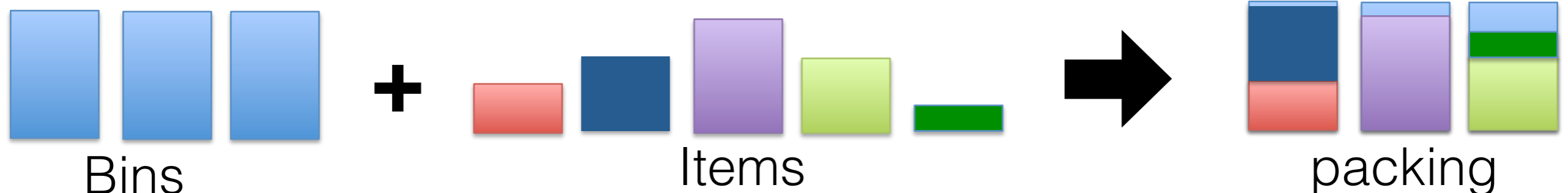


[Hooker. 2002]

(Picture from the *global constraint catalog*)

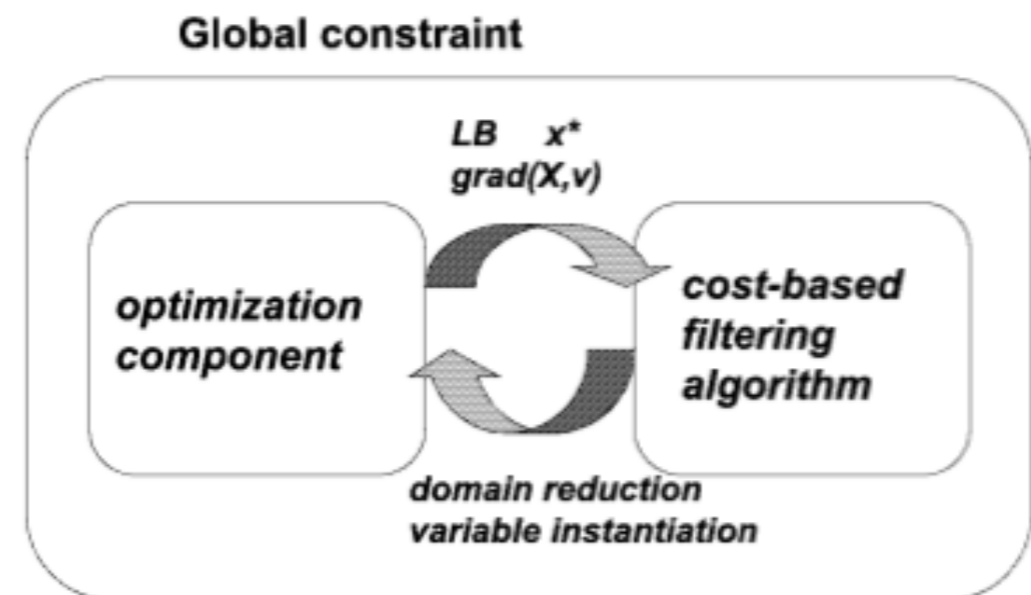
- **Bin-Packing** (Arc-flow formulation ...)

[Valério de Carvalho 1999] [Cambazard. 2010]



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- Linear relaxation of global constraints
 - **[Refalo, 2000]**: Linear formulation of Constraint Programming models and Hybrid Solvers
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(Picture from [Focacci, 2002])

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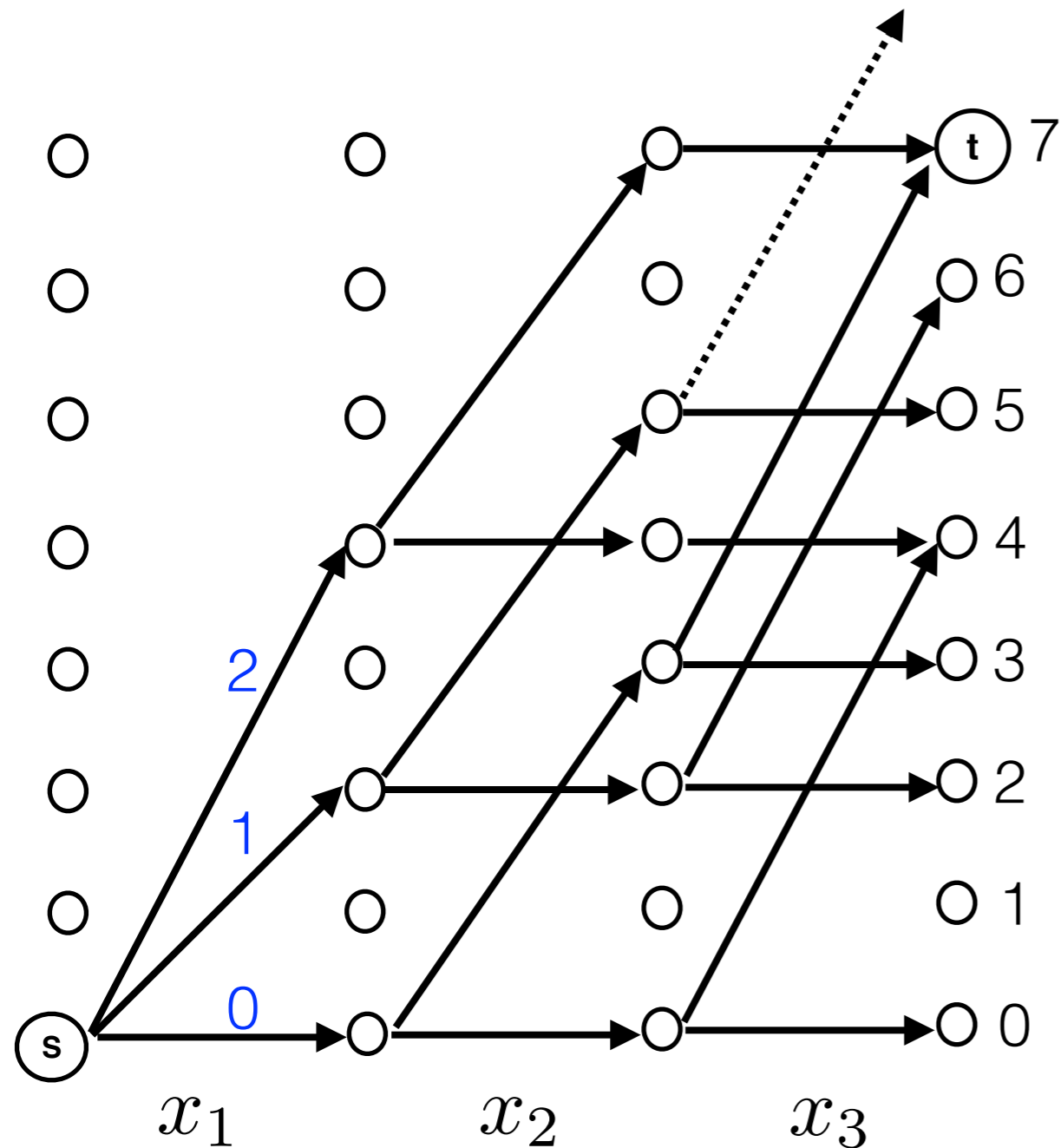
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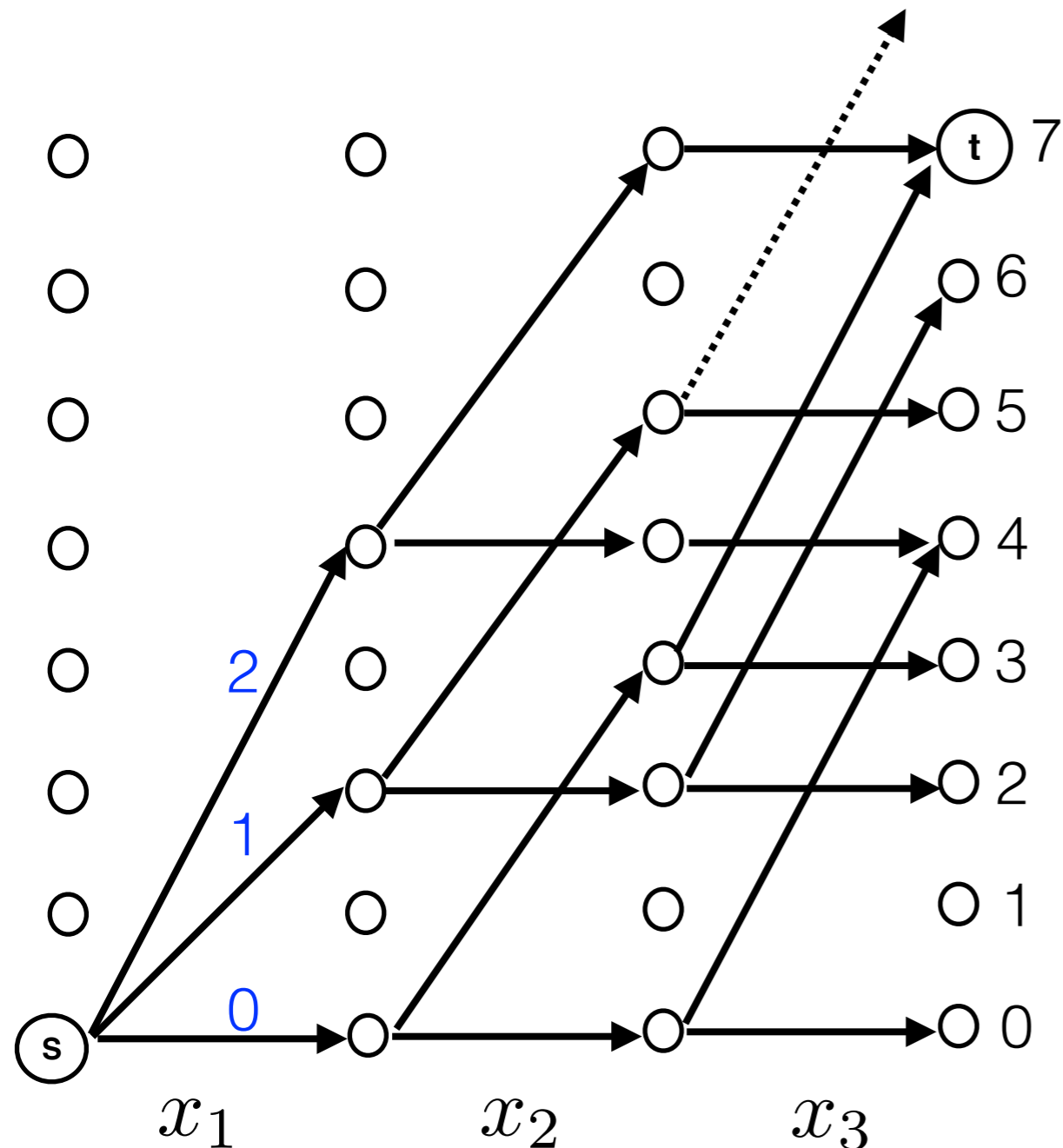
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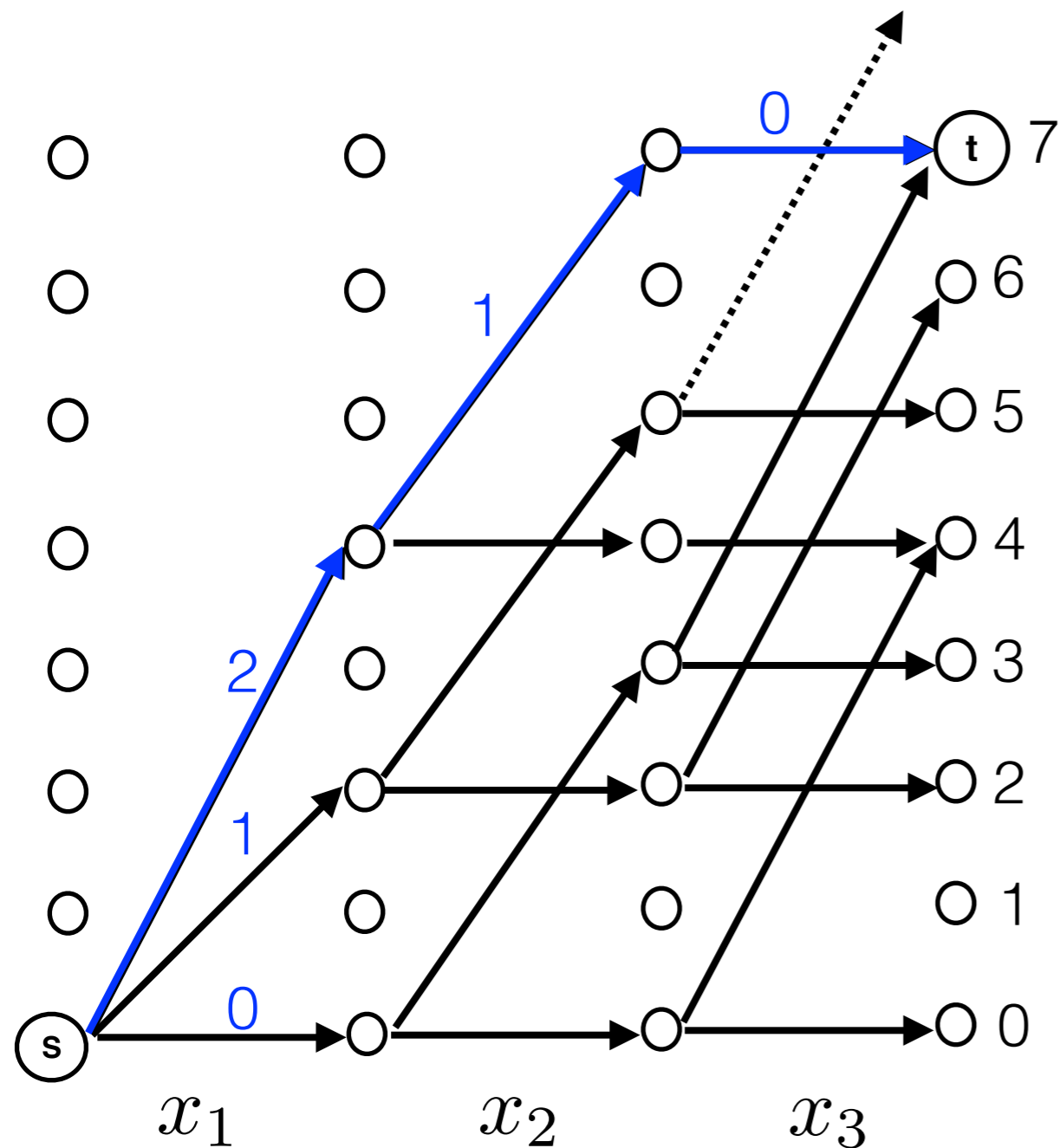


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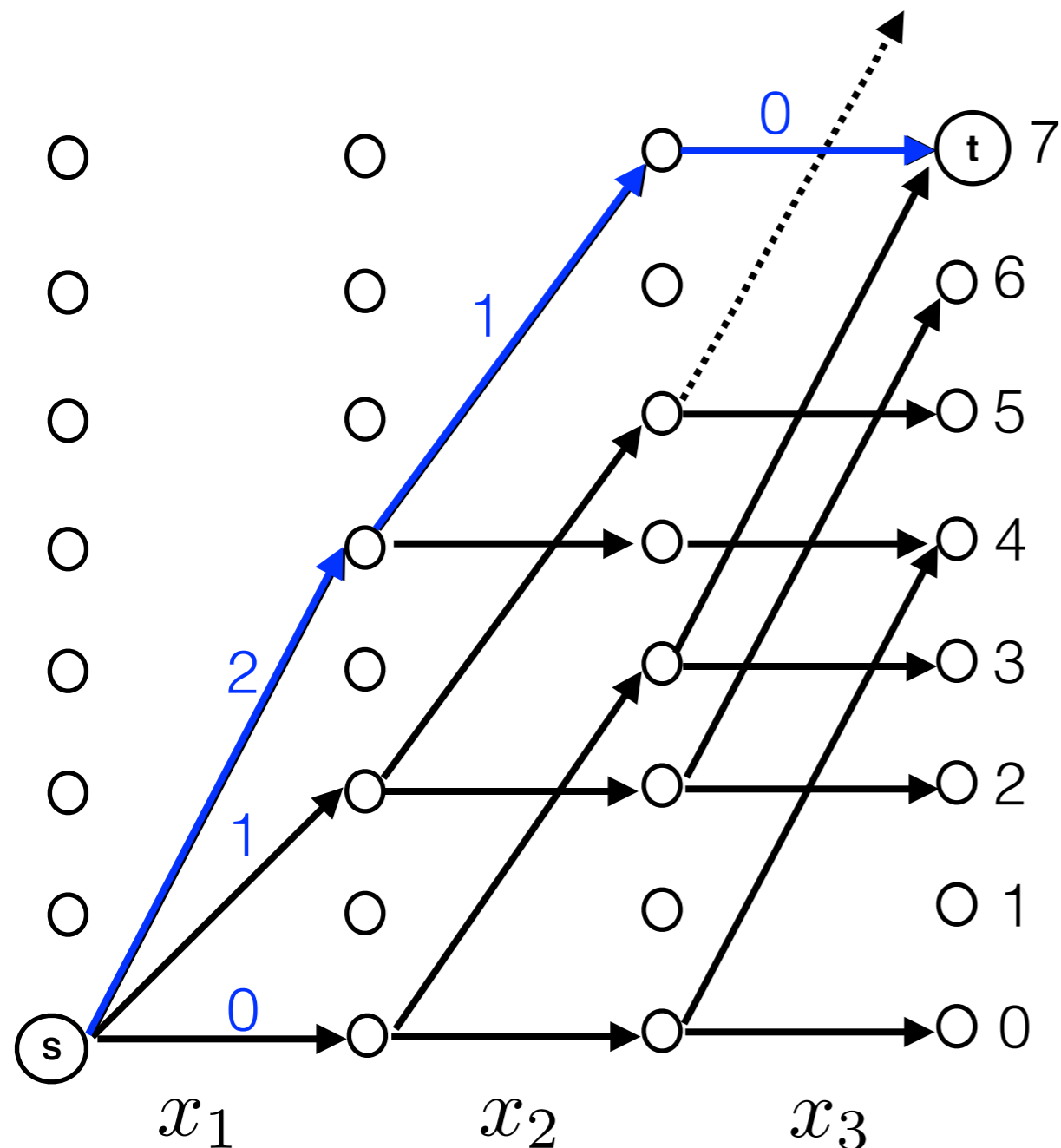


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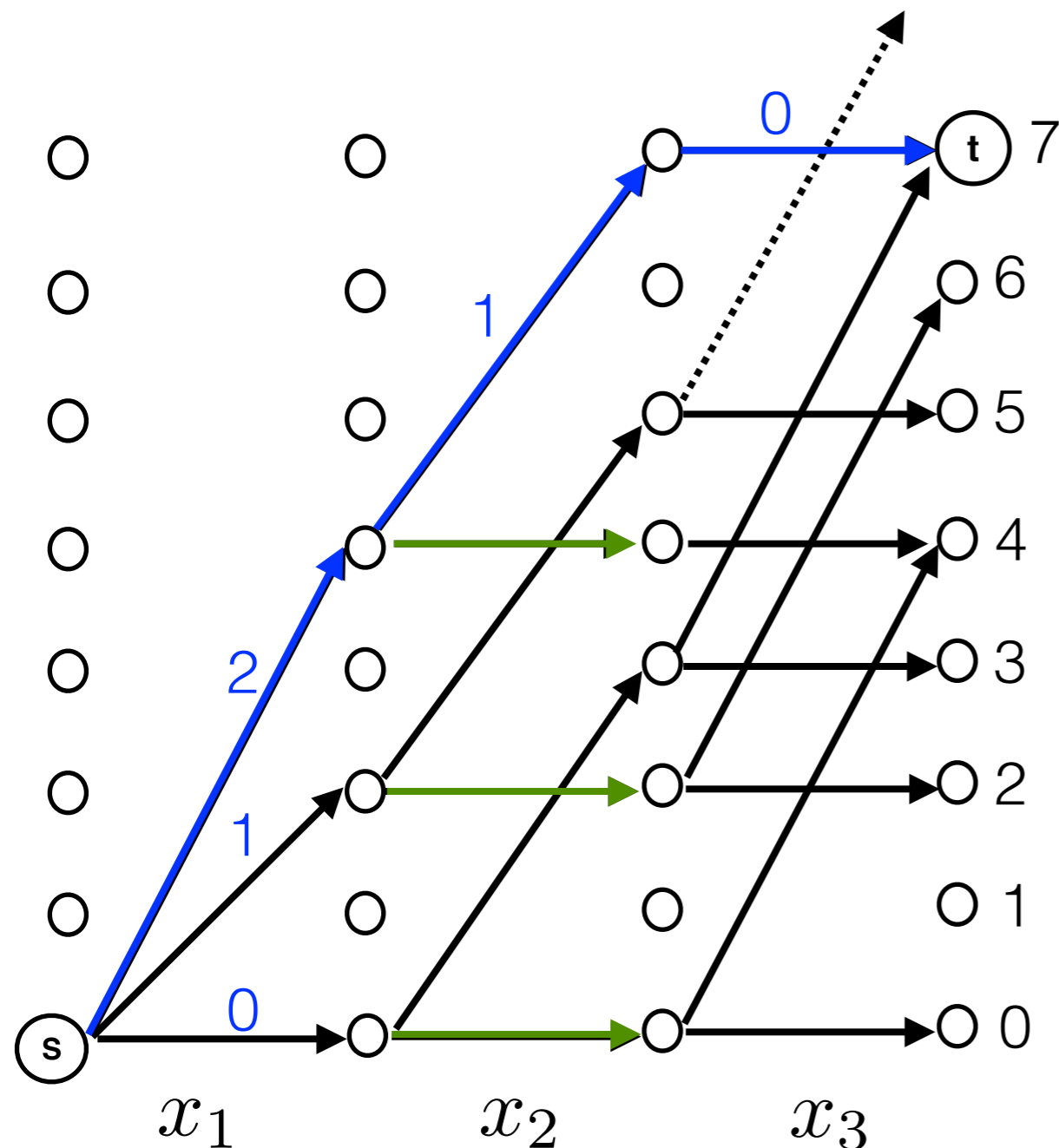
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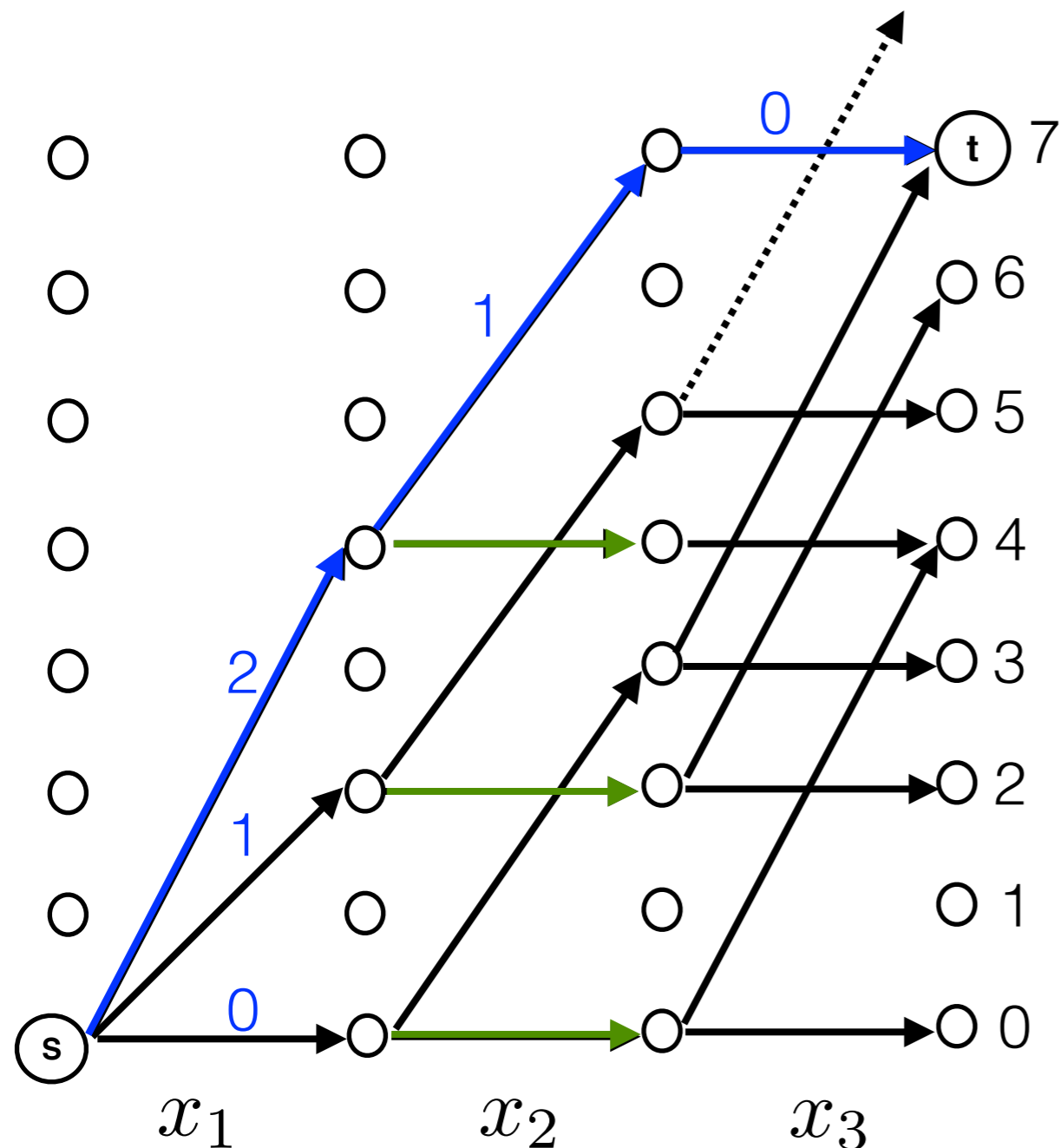
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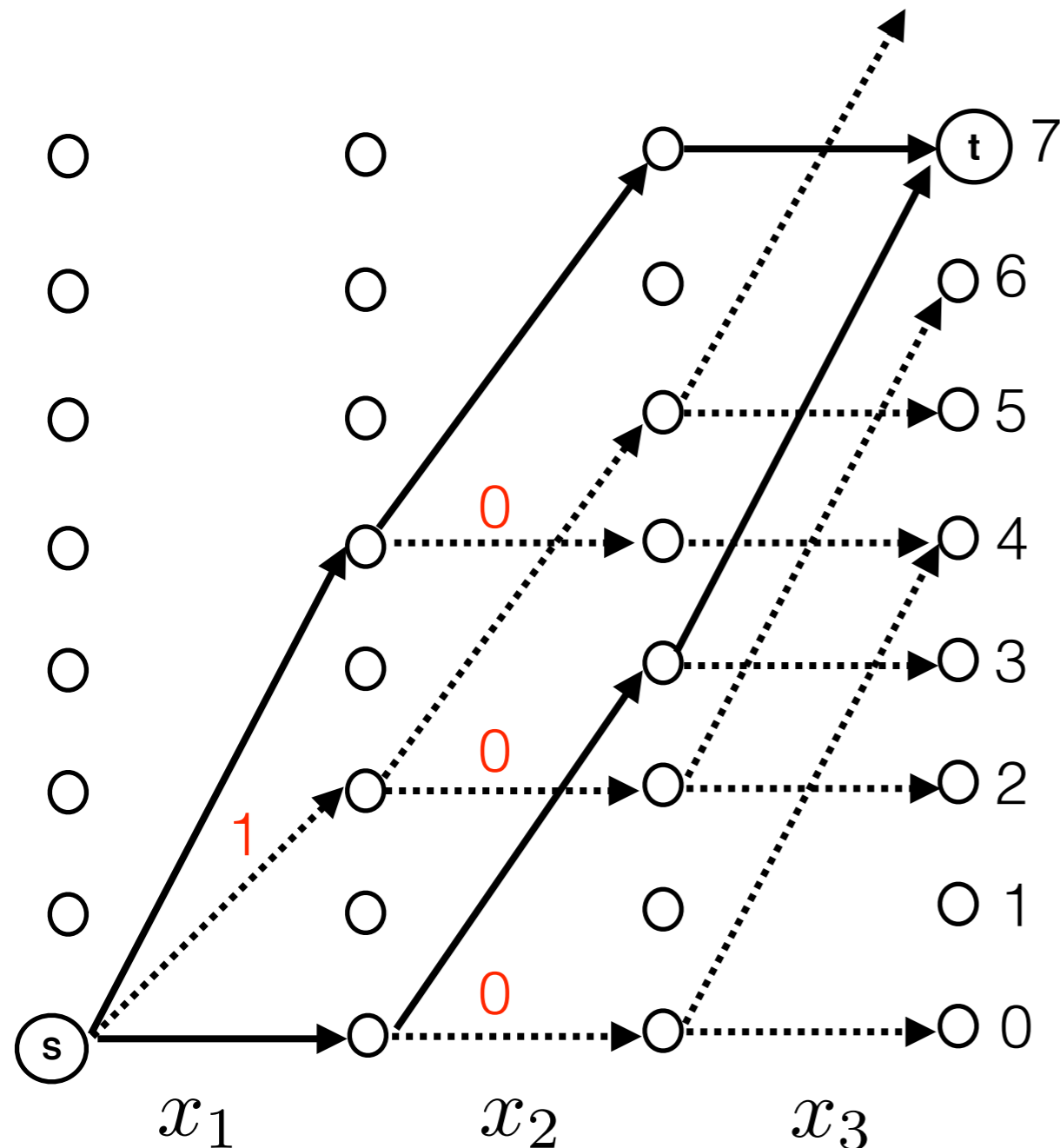
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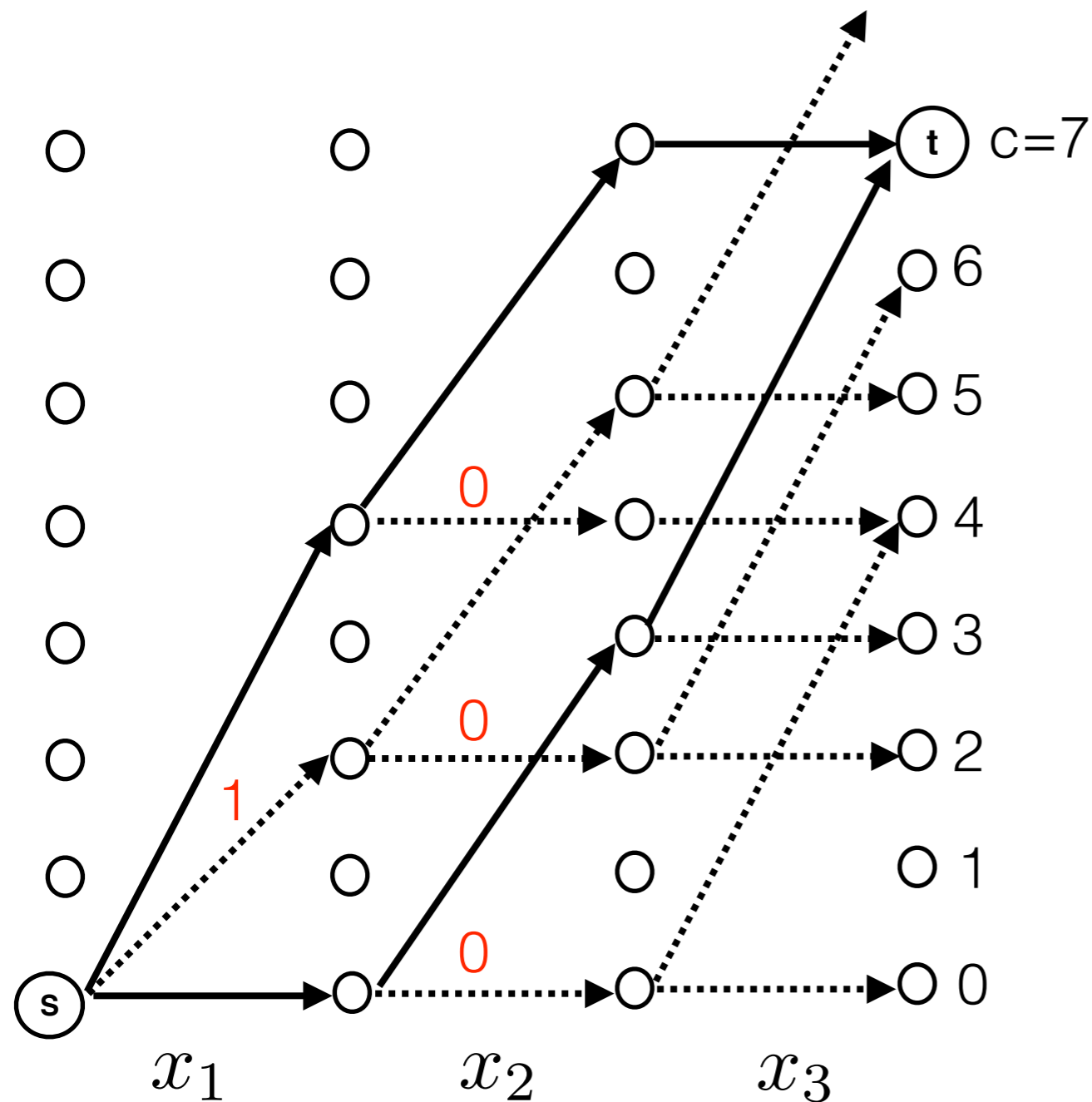
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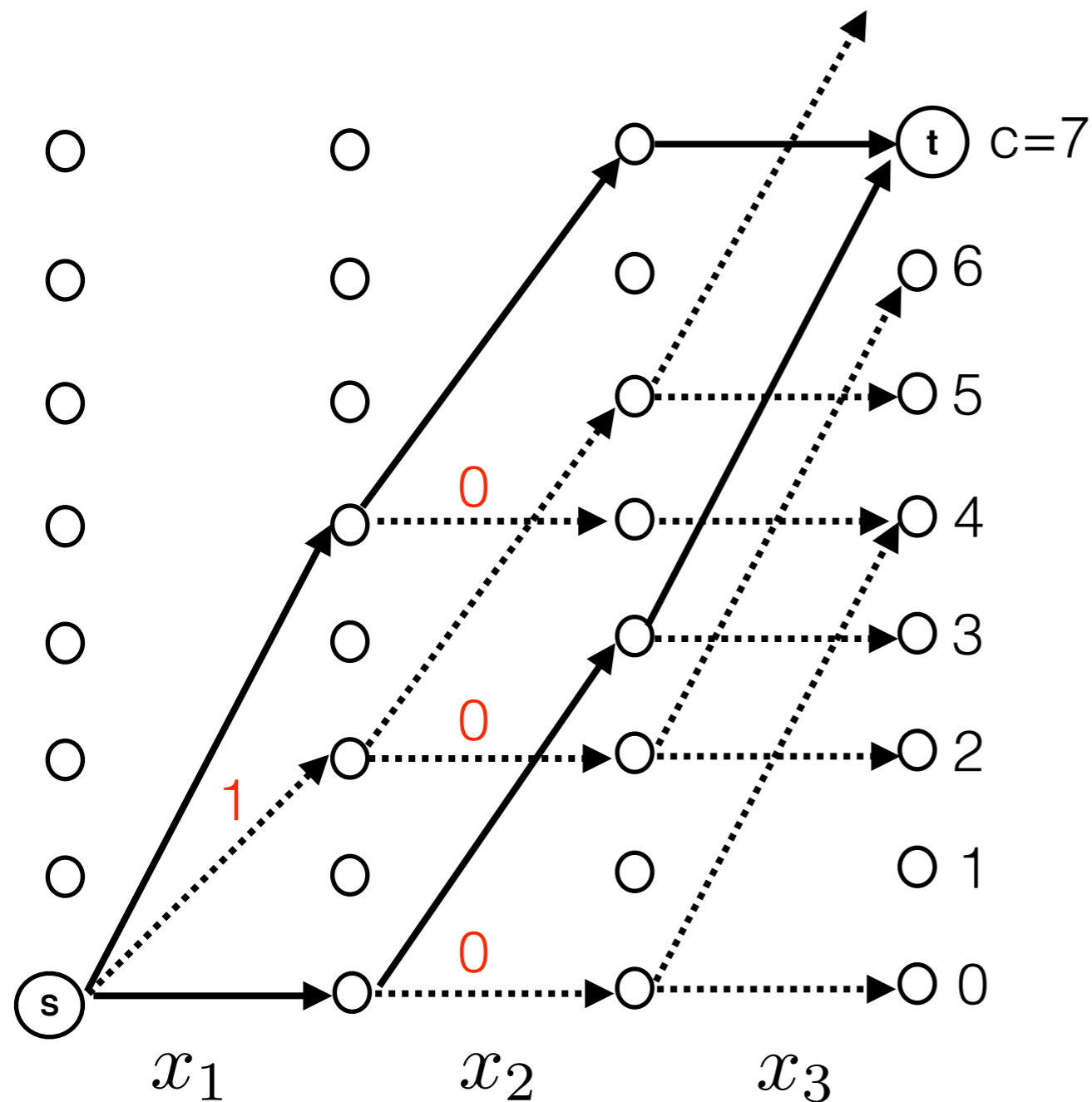
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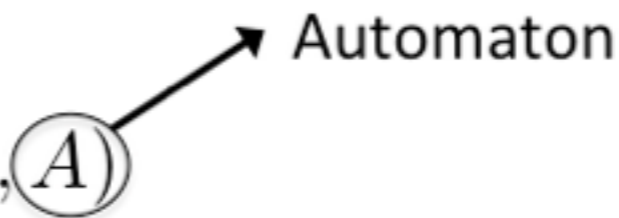
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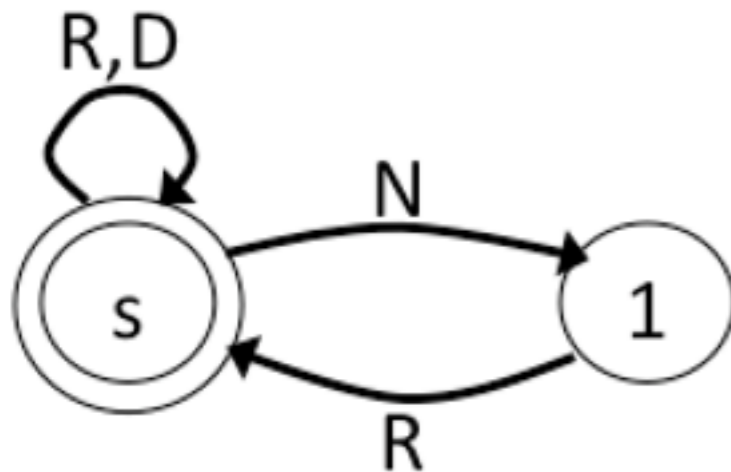
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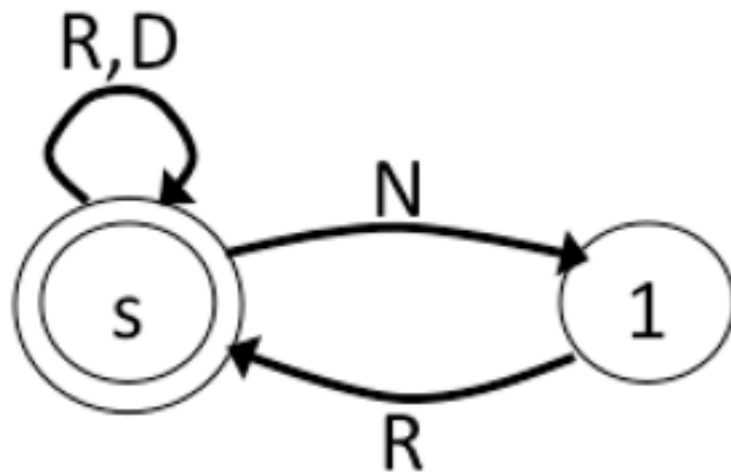
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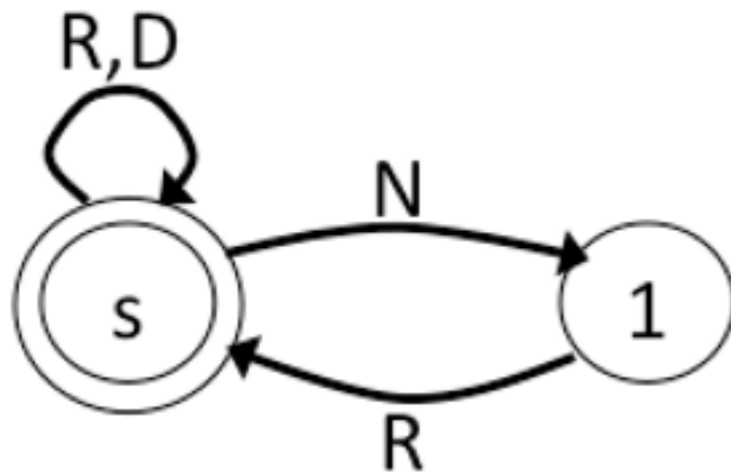
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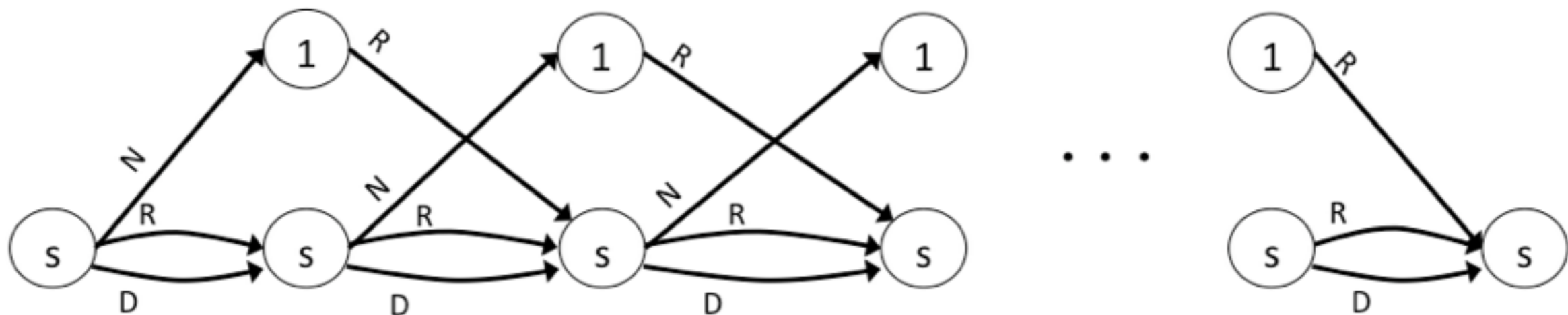
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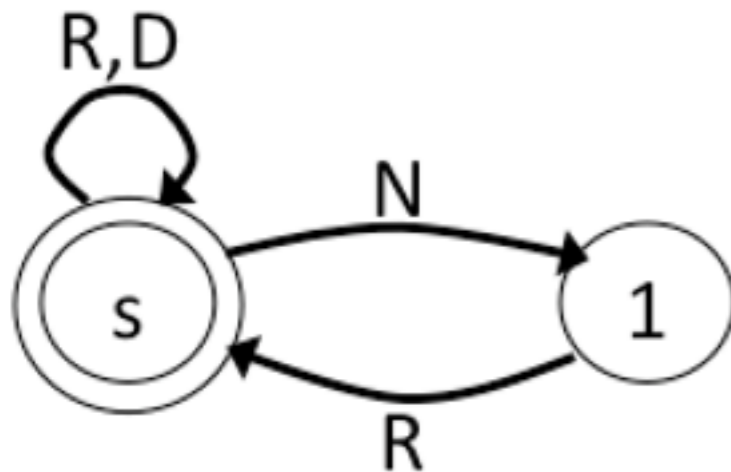
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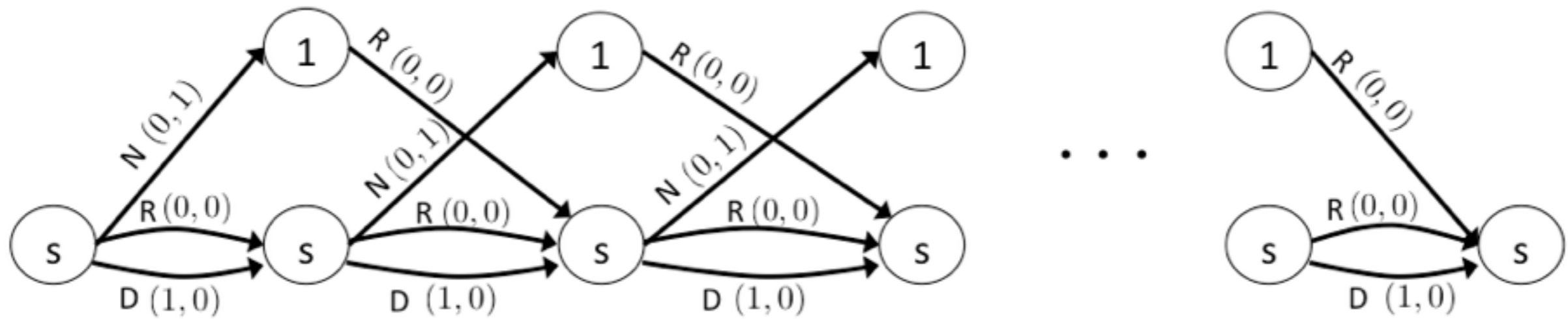
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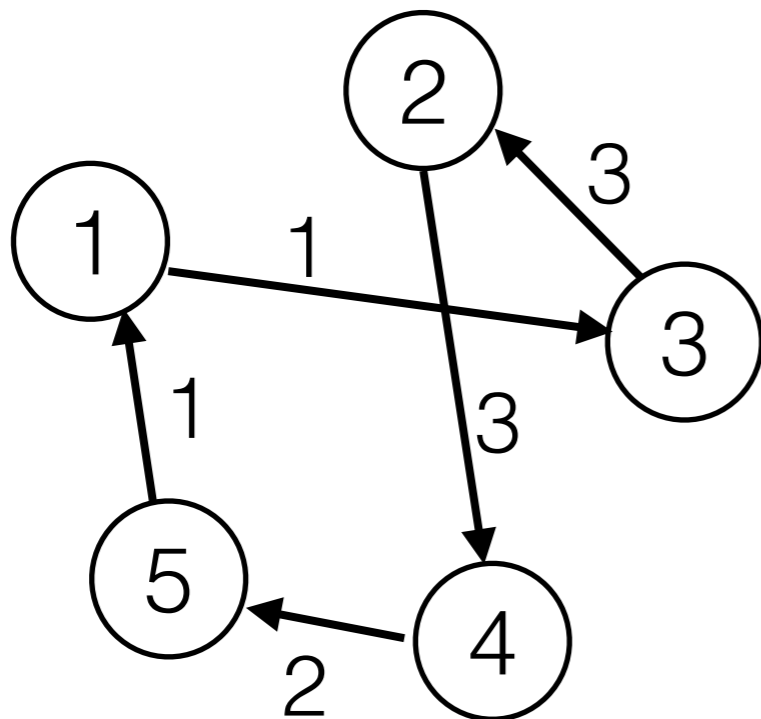
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- Detect mandatory/forbidden arcs regarding the upper bound of z
- Applications in routing

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- Many problems involve side-constraints such as precedences, time-windows, vehicle capacity, ... constraining the **position** of a city/client in the tour or **relative positions** of clients
- A useful variable for reasoning:

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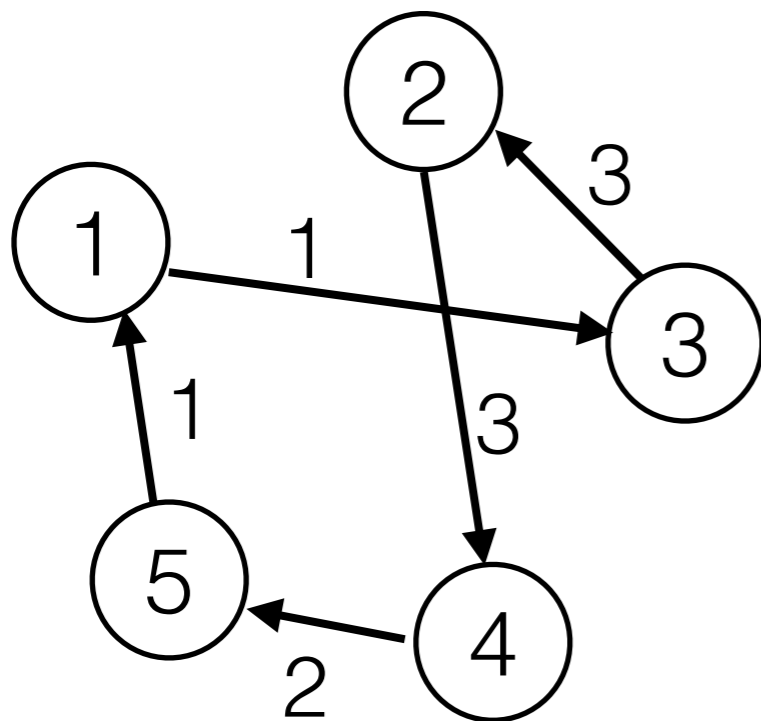
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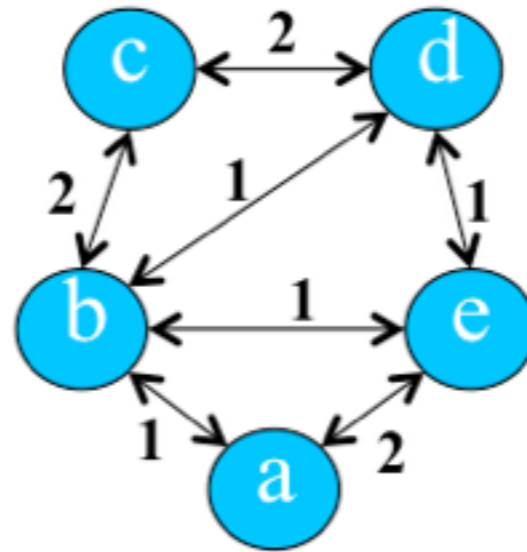
$$pos_4 = 4$$

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Relaxation of TSP to filter z ?

Weighted Circuit - TSP relaxations

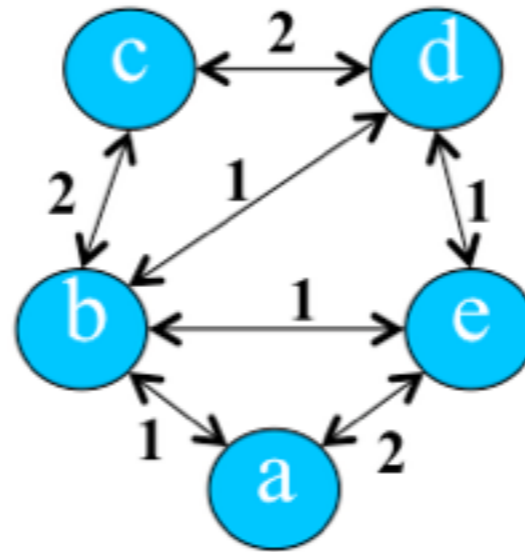
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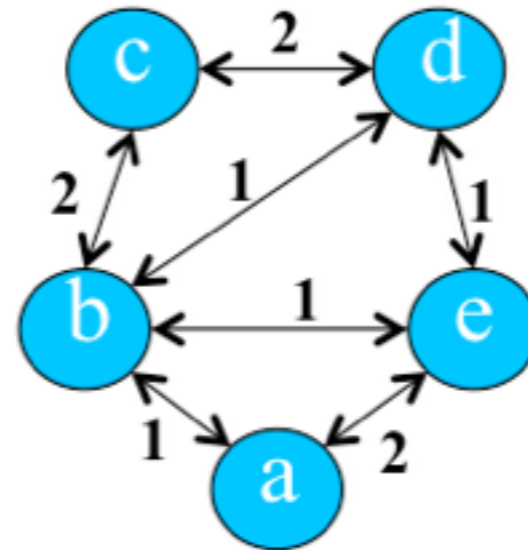
- Connectivity
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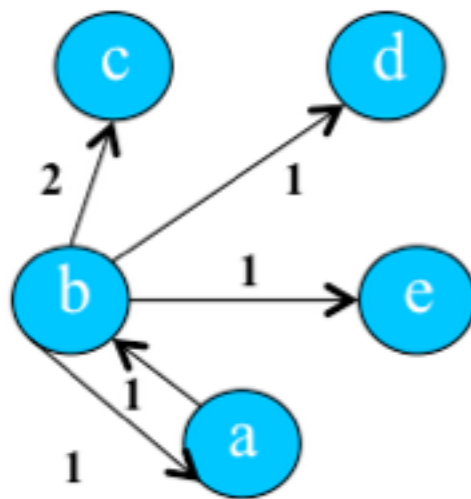
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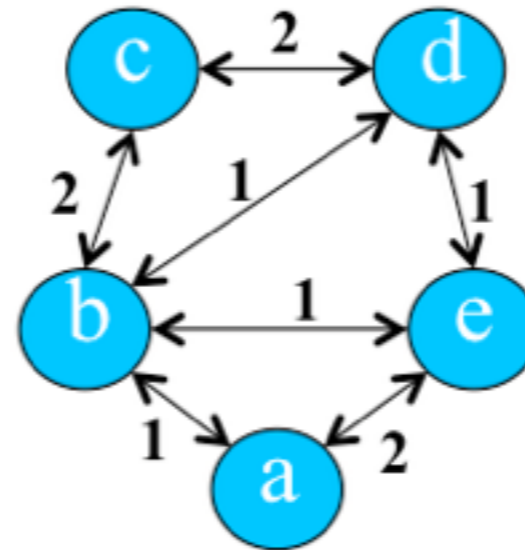
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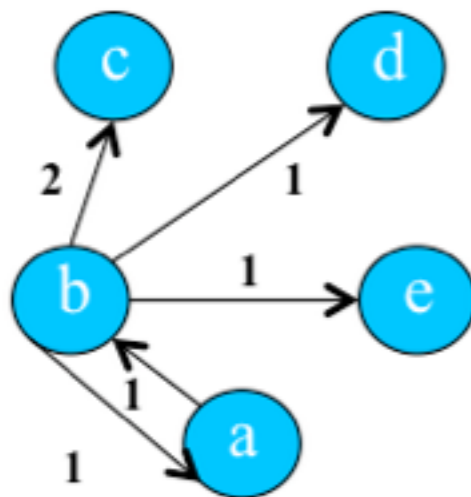
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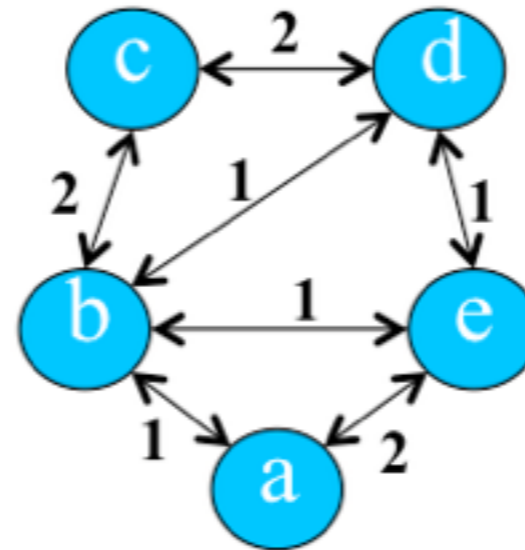
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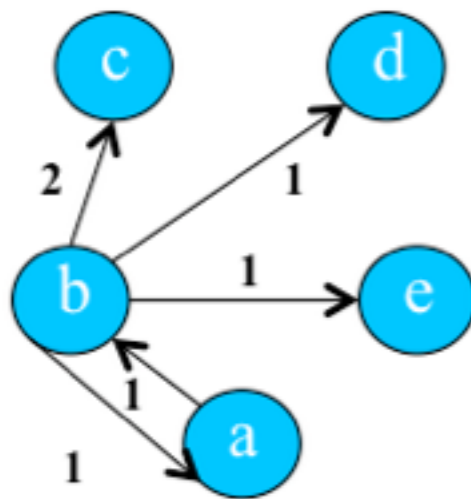
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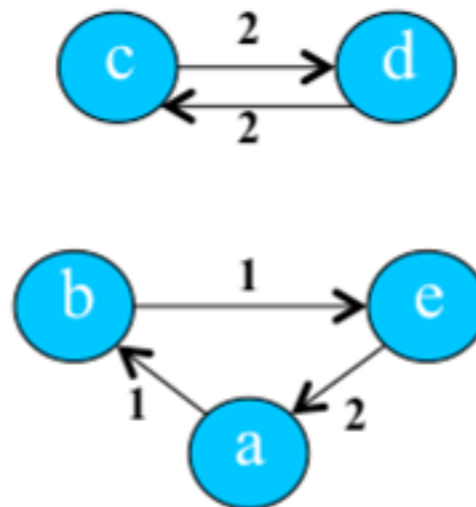
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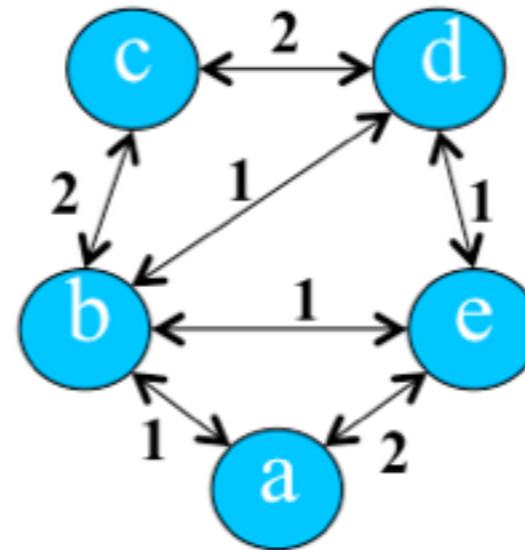
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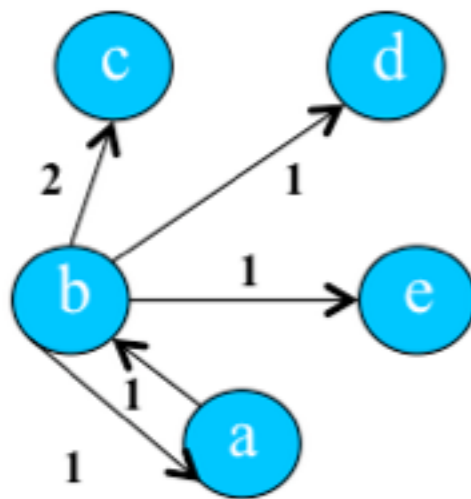
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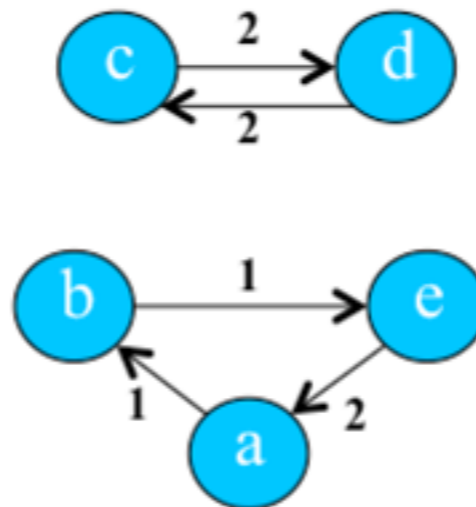
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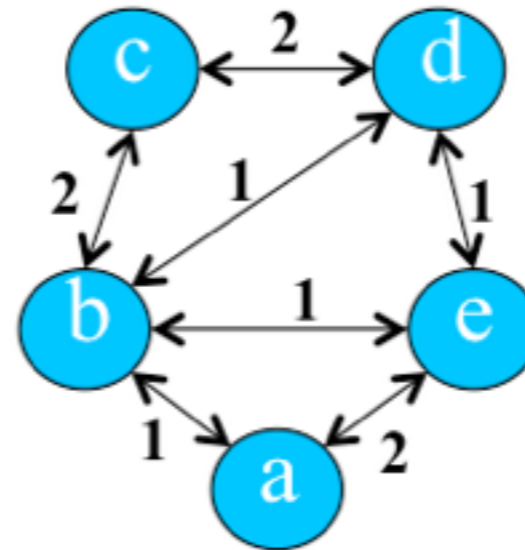
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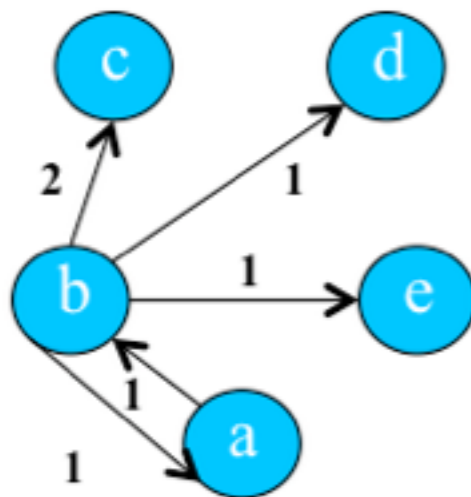
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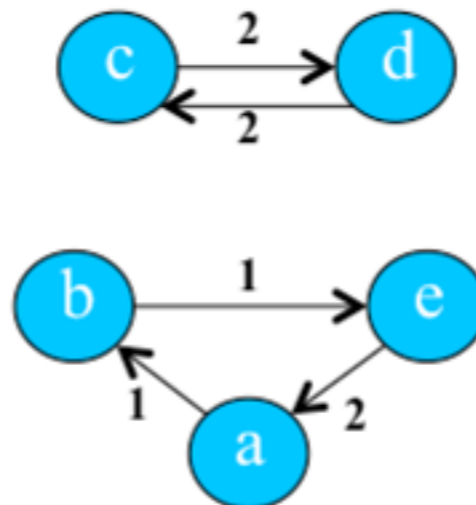
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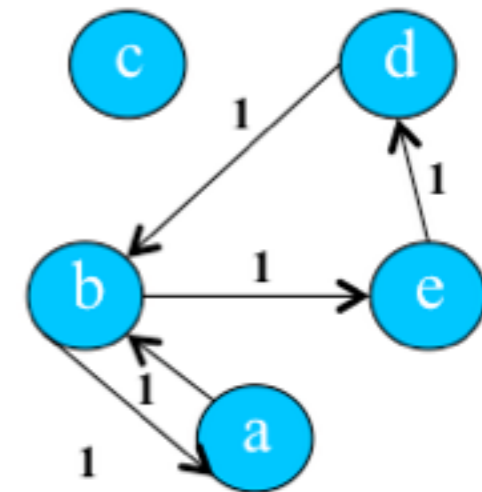
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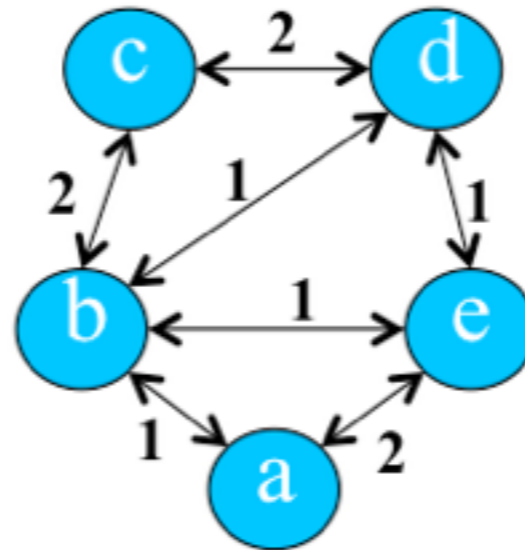
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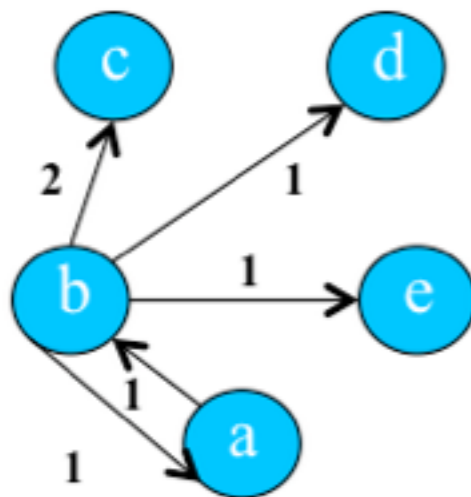
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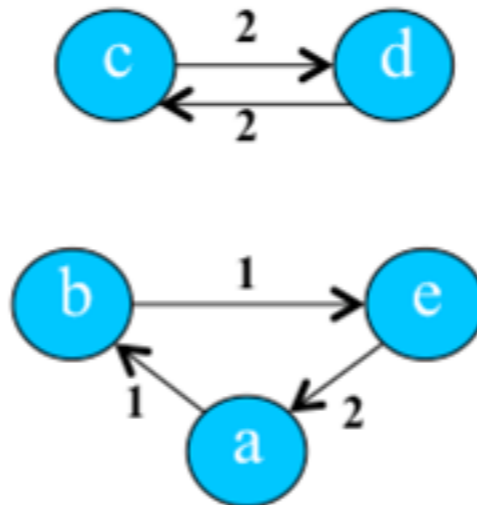
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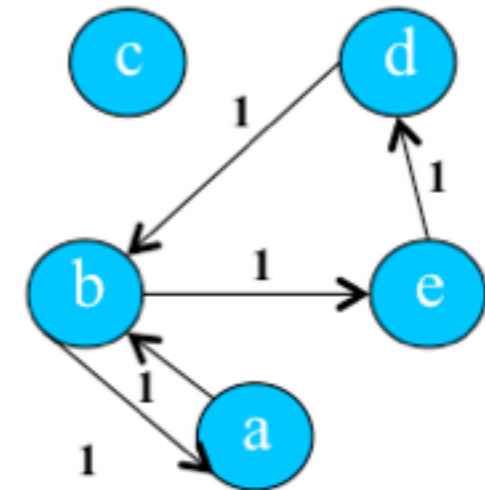
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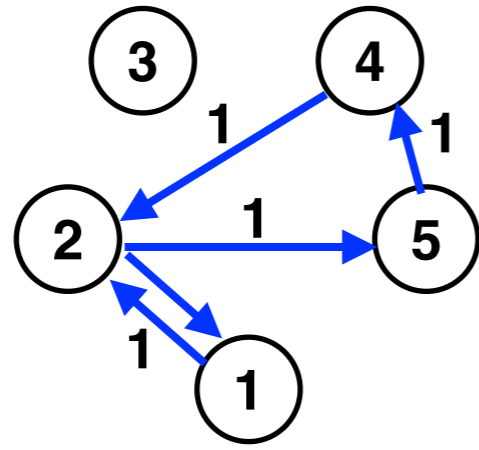
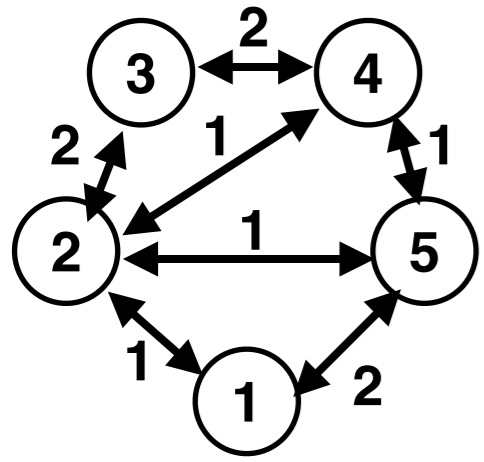


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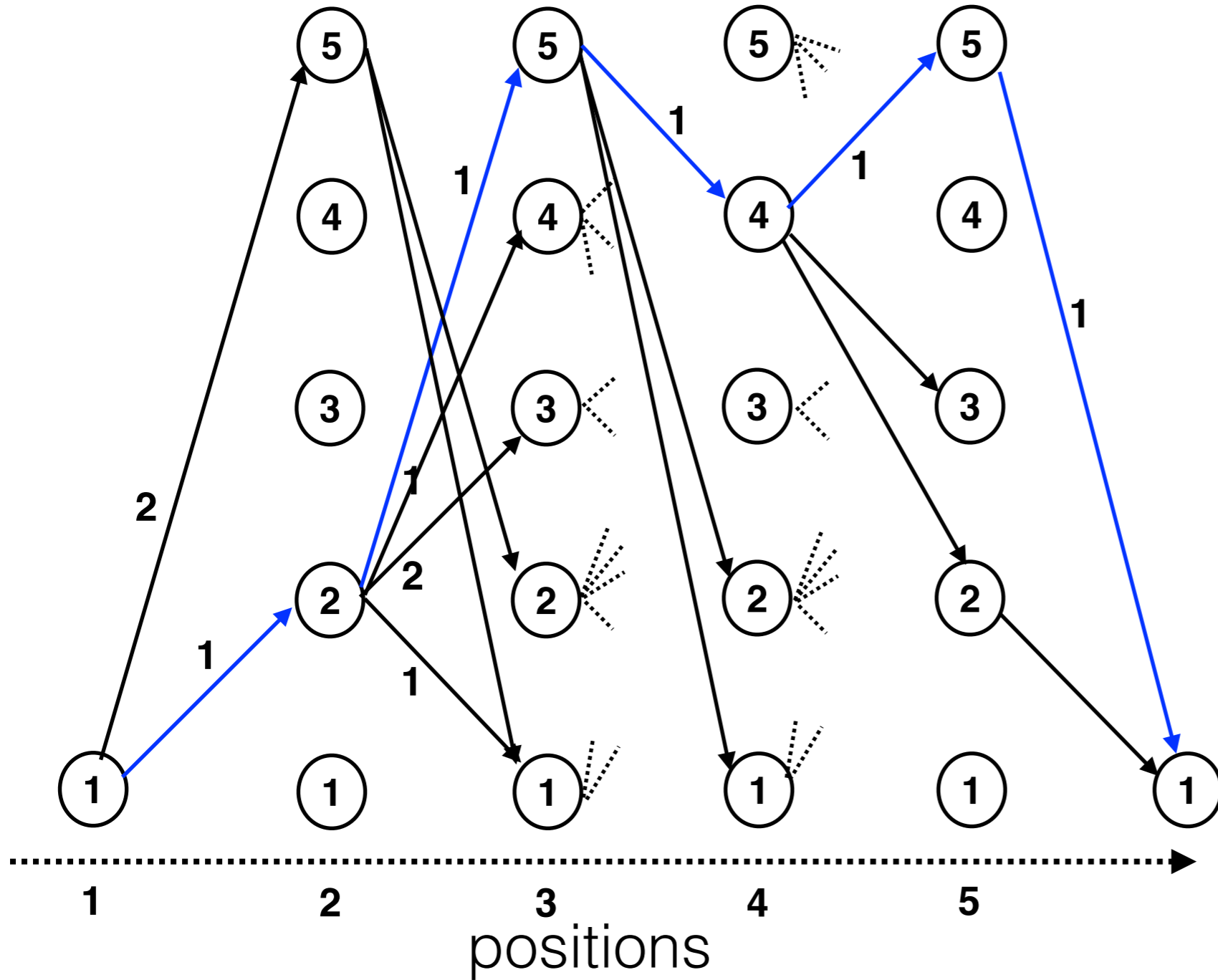
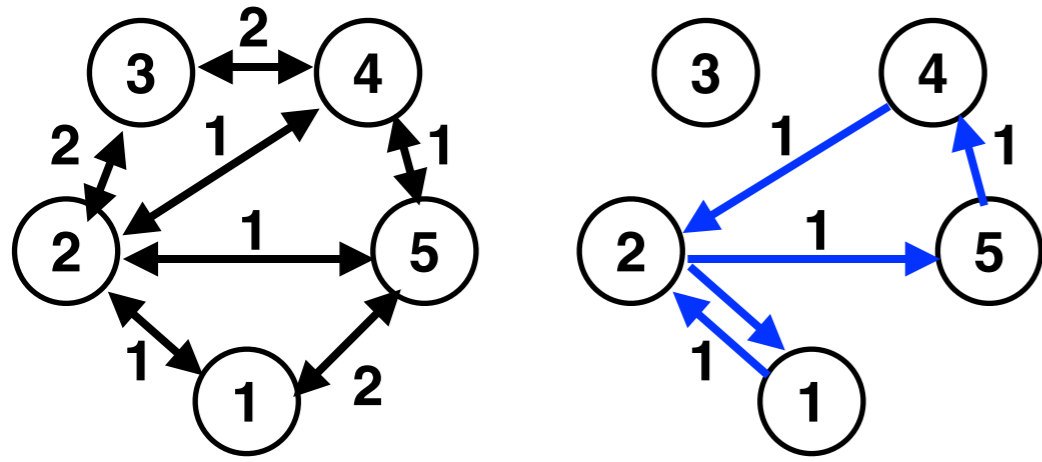
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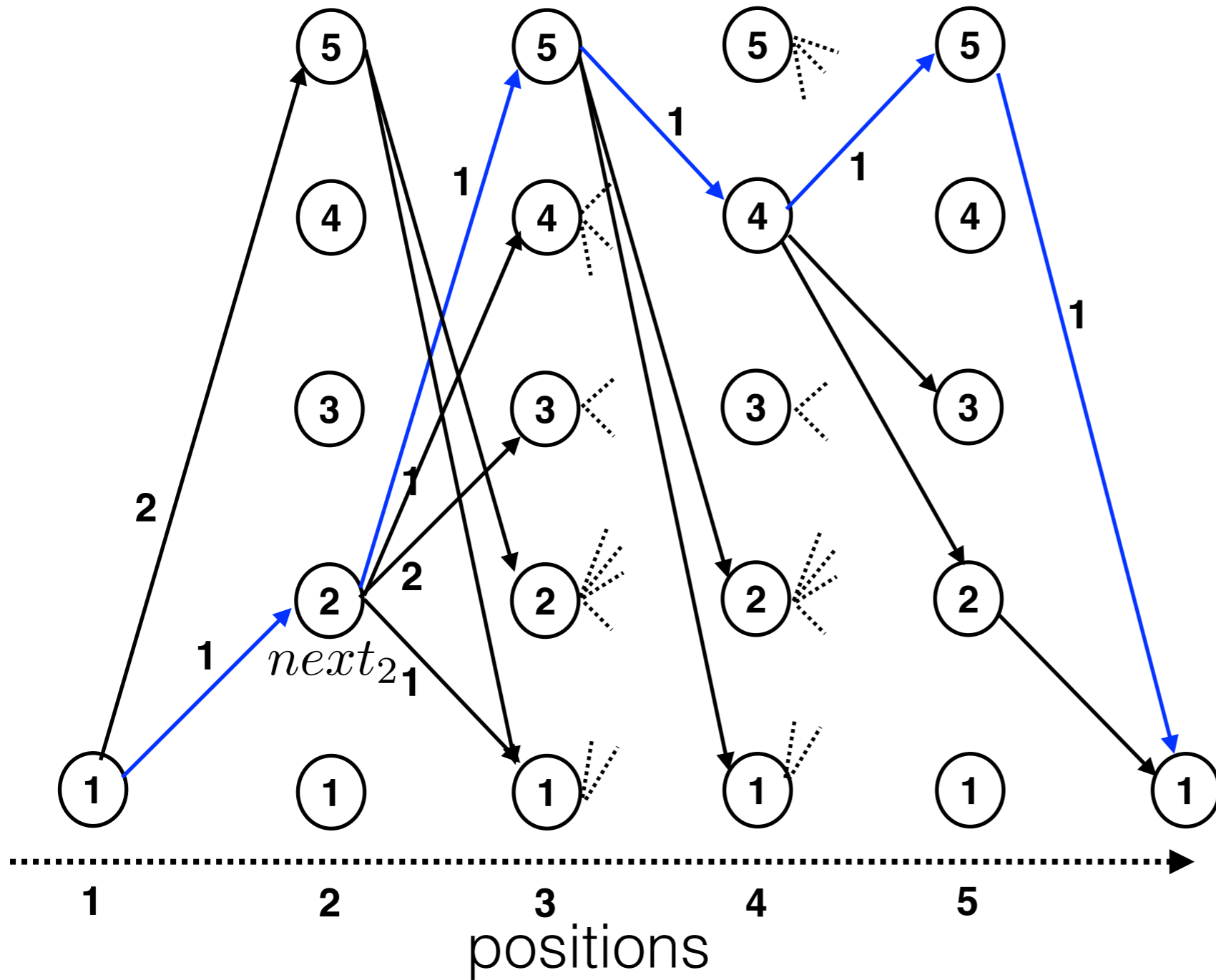
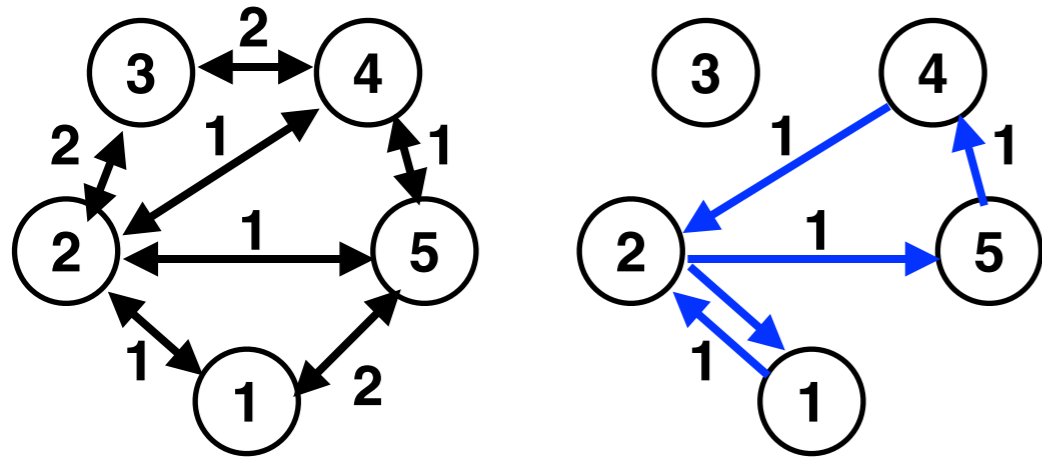


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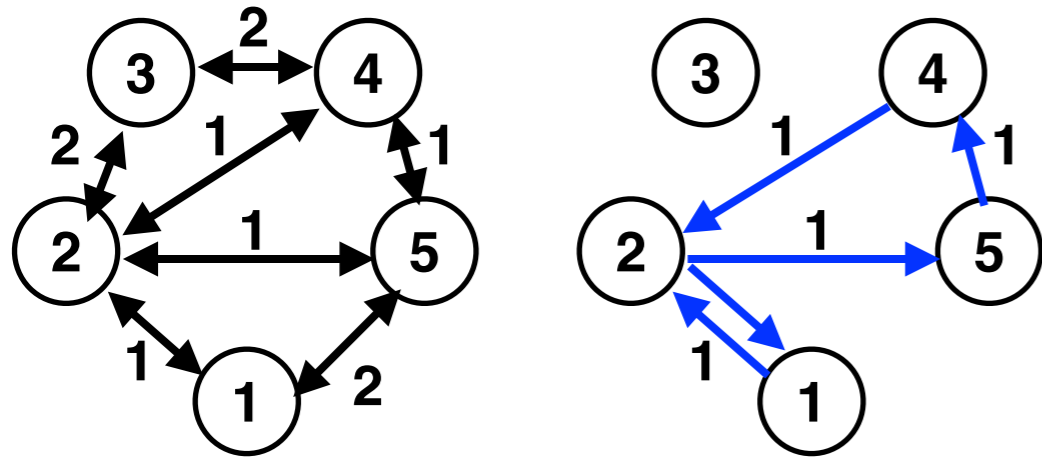
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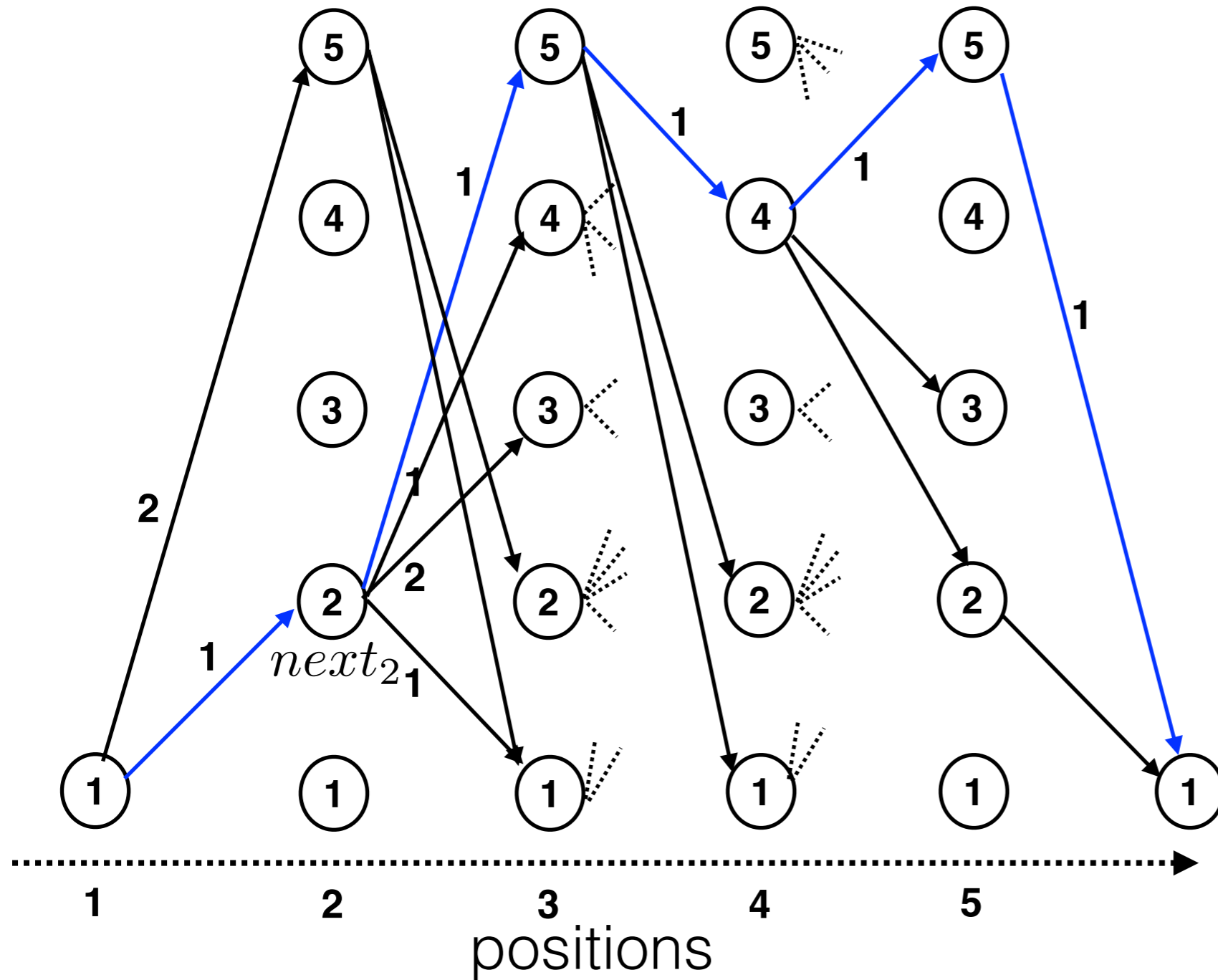
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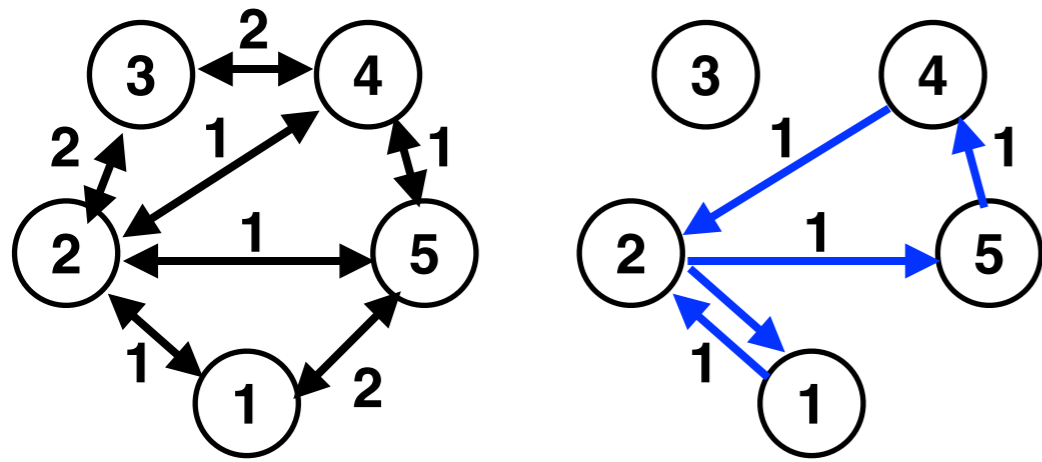
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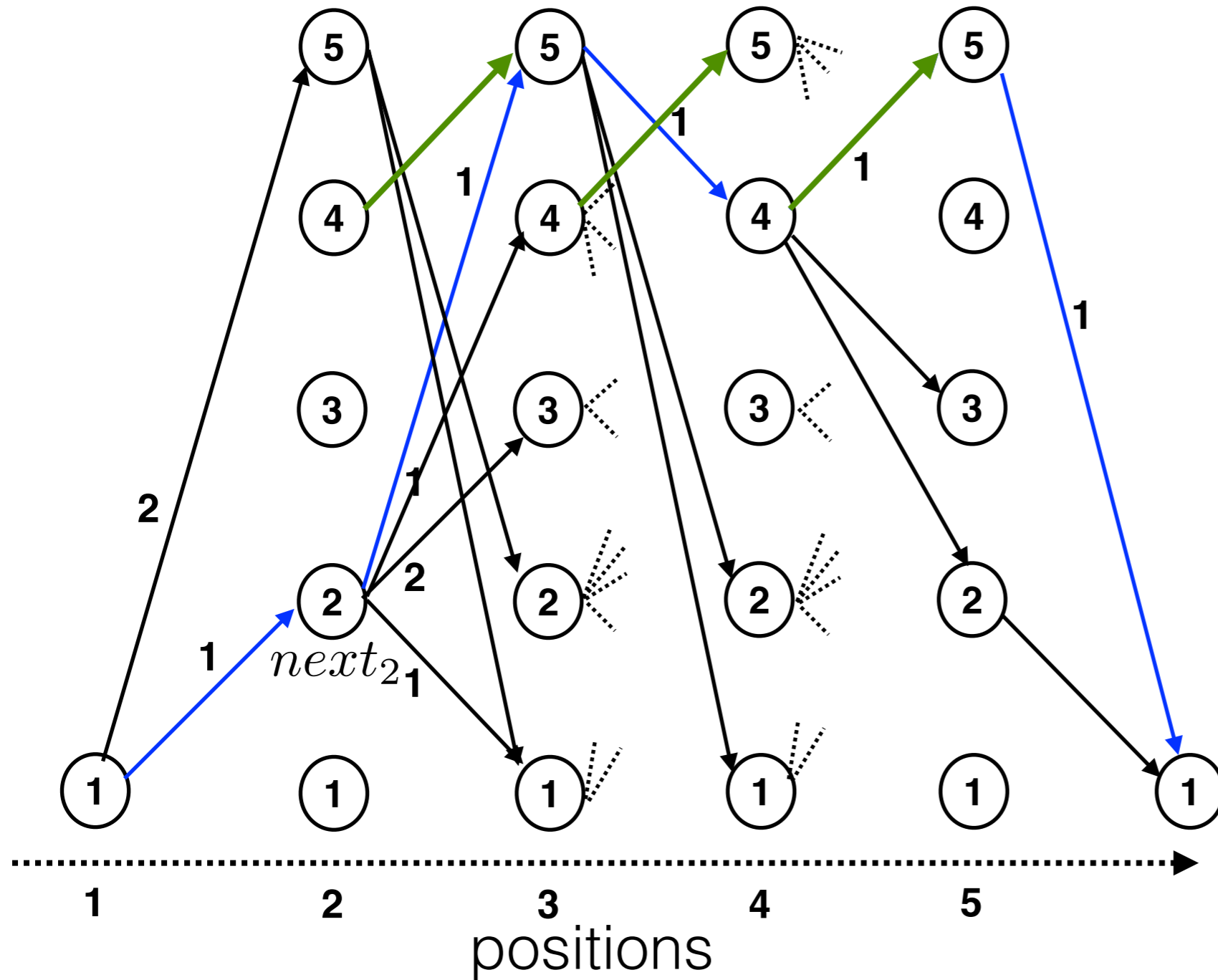
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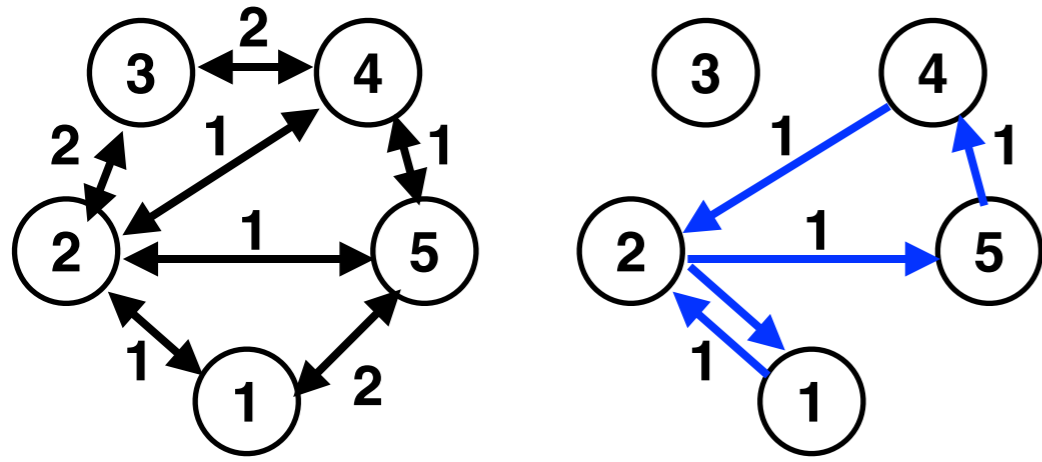


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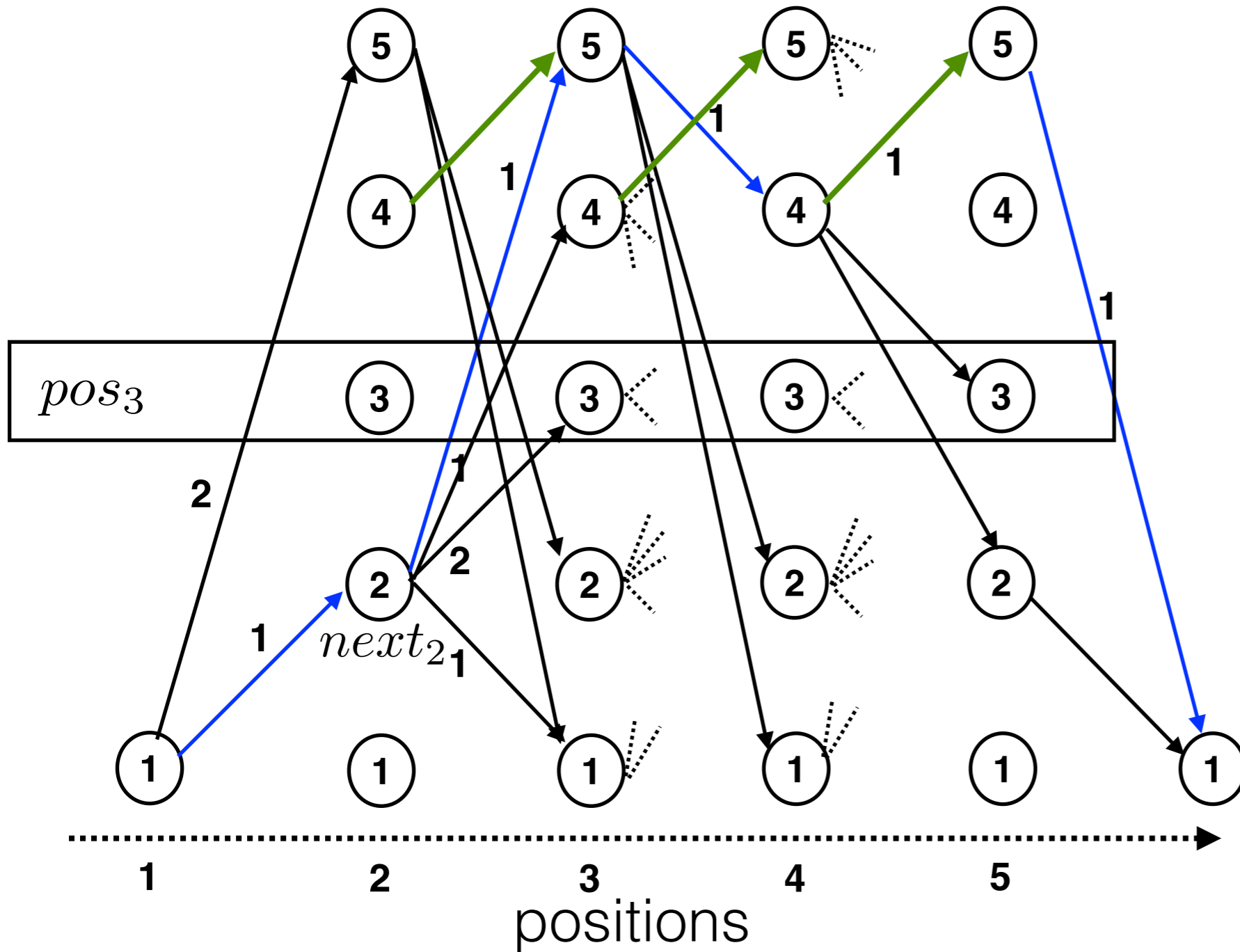


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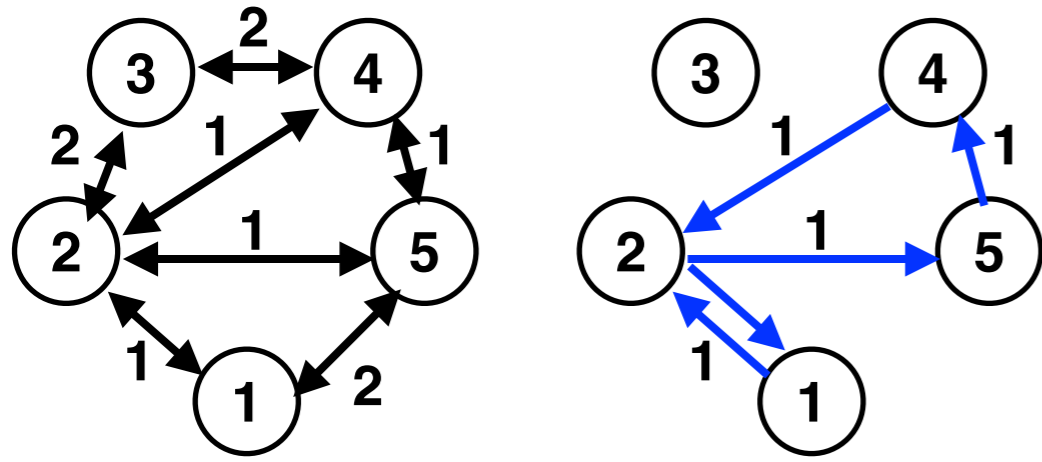


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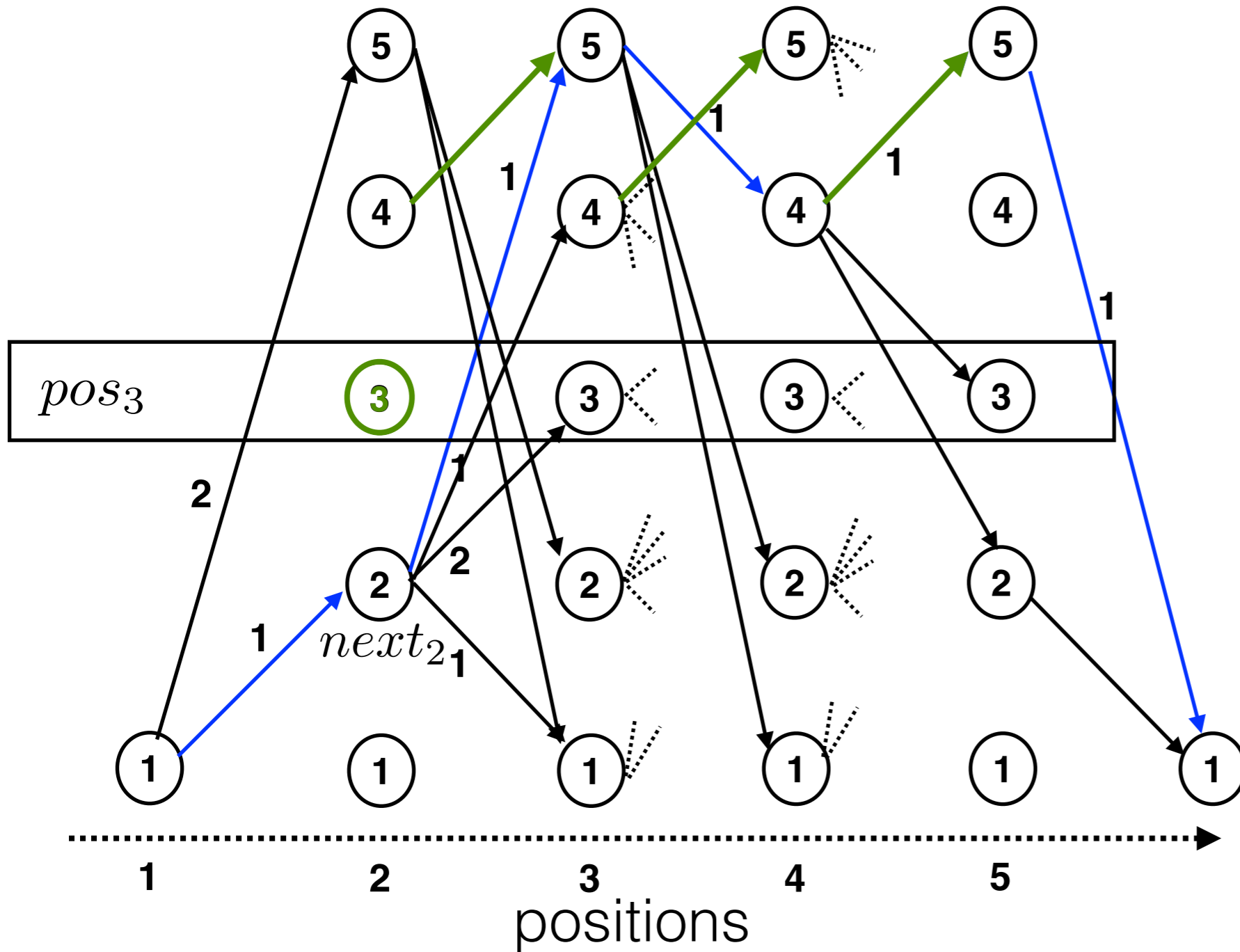


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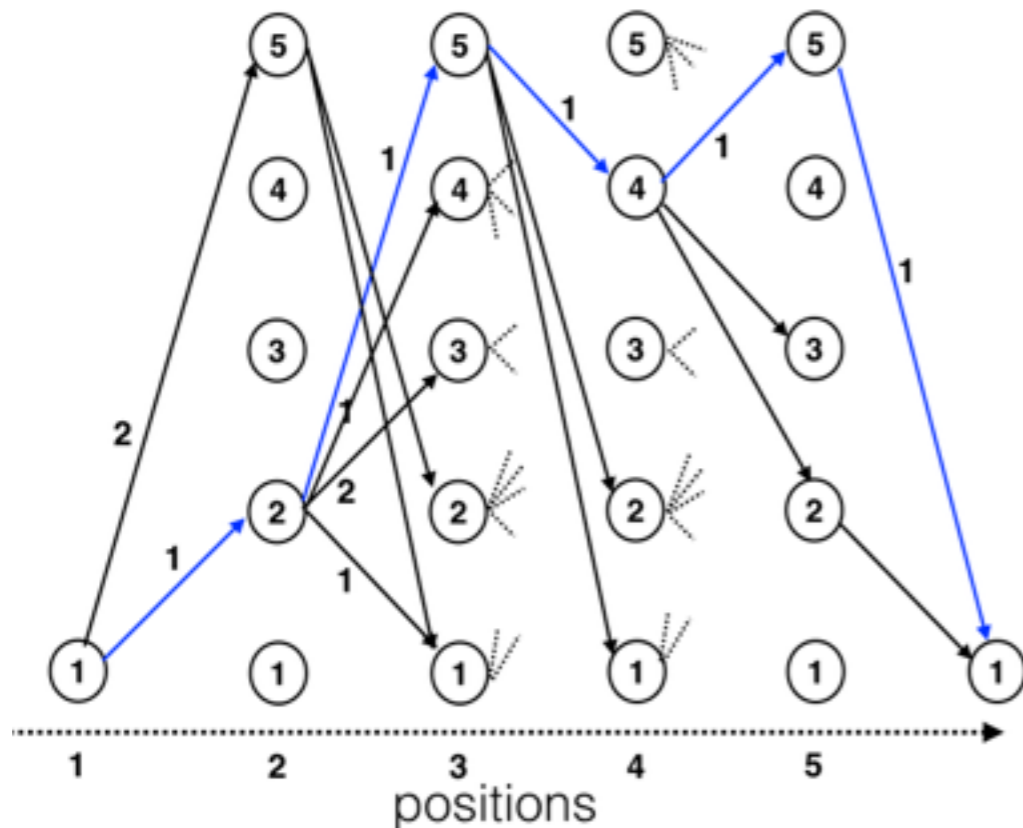
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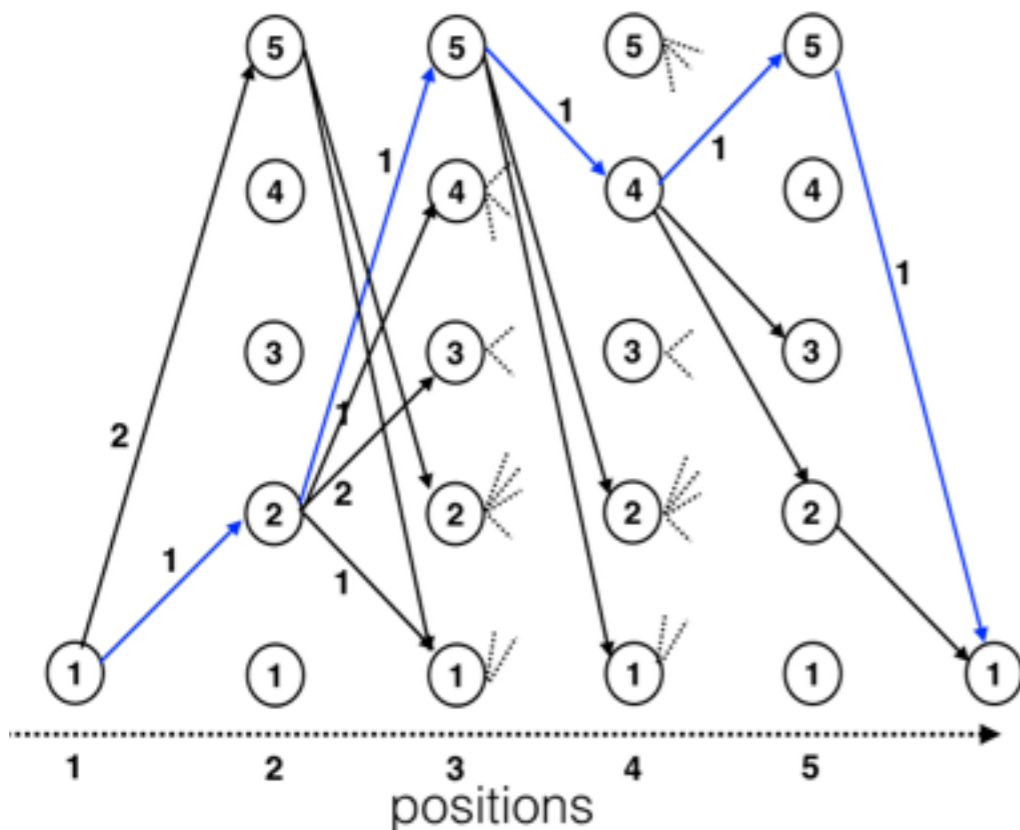
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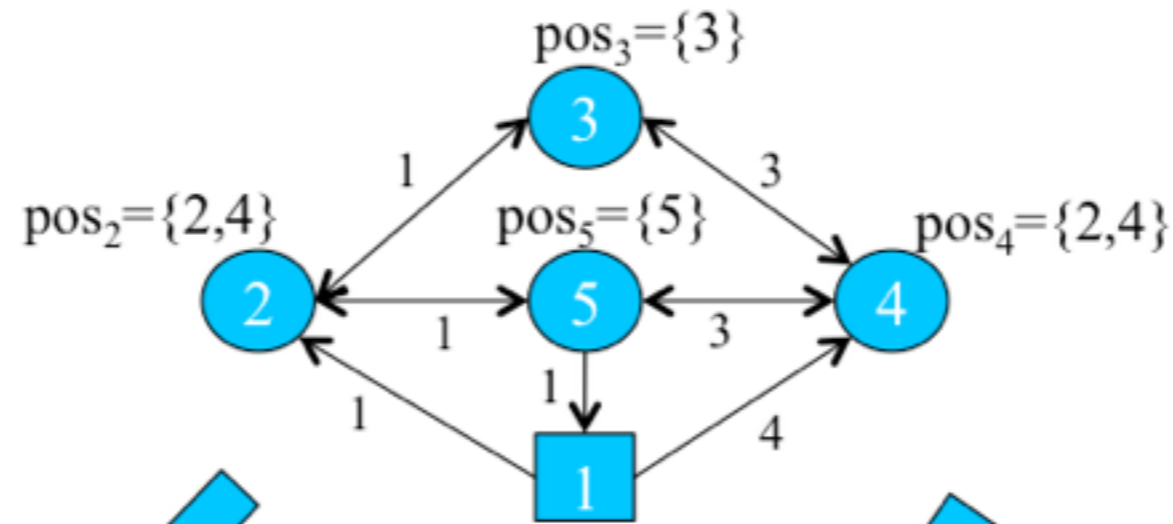
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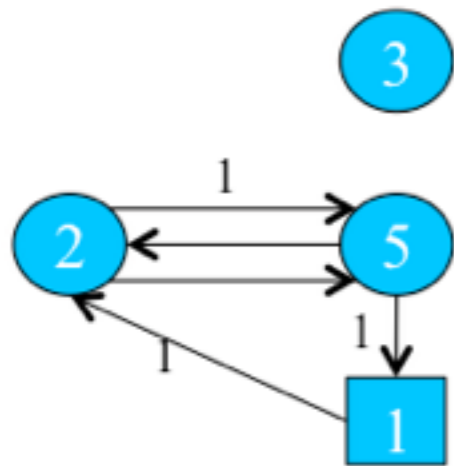
Filtering of both successors and positions

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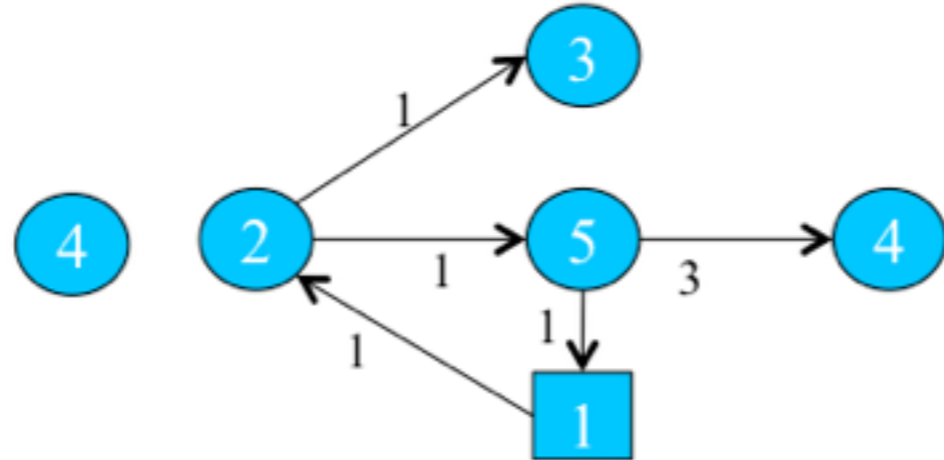
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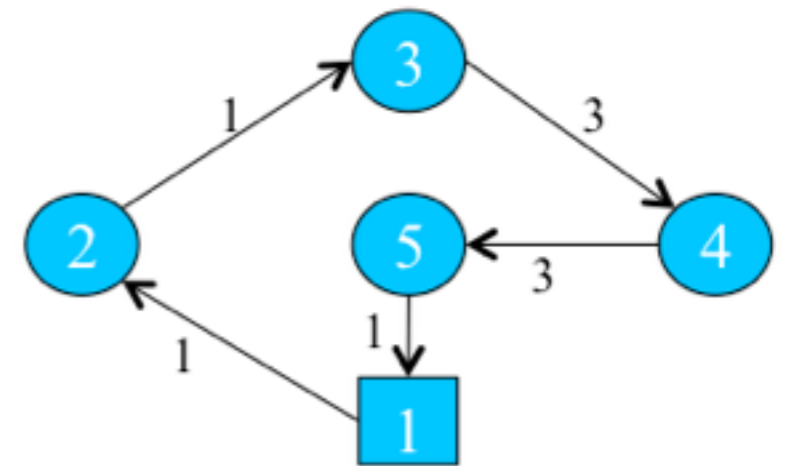
N-Path without position information
 $\underline{z} = 5$



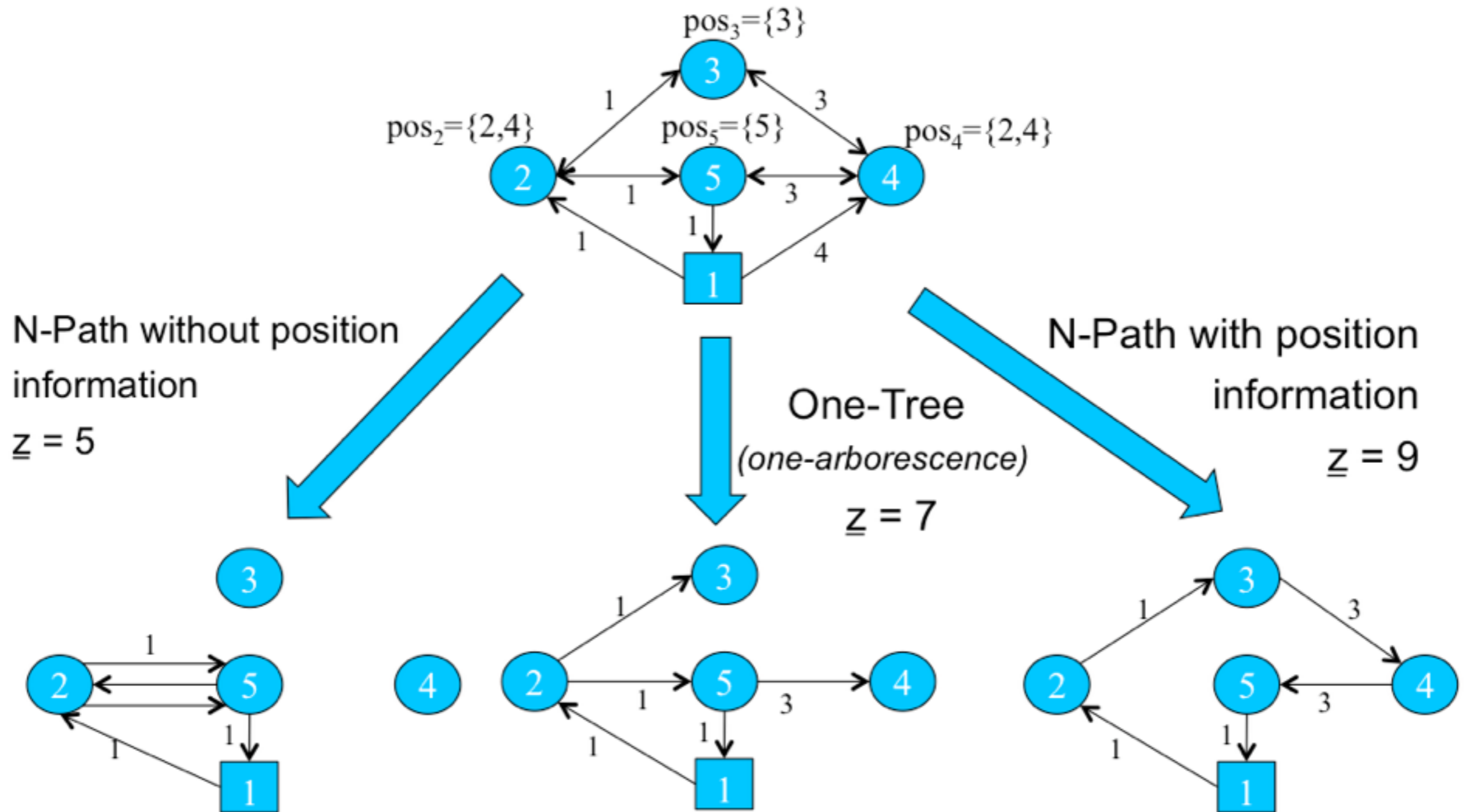
One-Tree
(one-arborescence)
 $\underline{z} = 7$



N-Path with position information
 $\underline{z} = 9$



one-tree versus n-path



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 - Multi-valued Decision Diagram MDD consistency
 - Explicit representation of more refined potential solution space [Hooker et al. 2007]
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Outline

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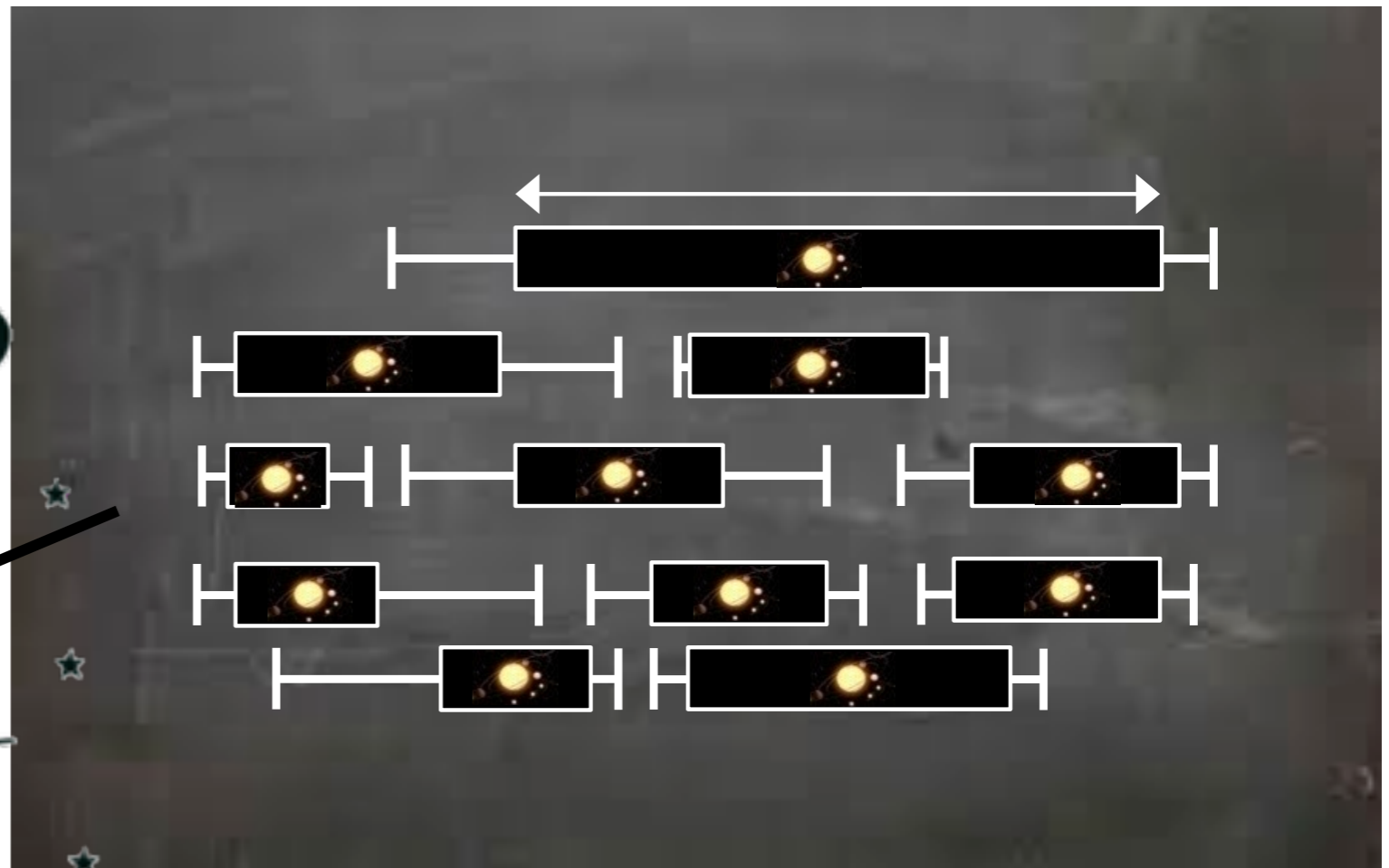
- Linear Programming duality
- First example: *AtMostNValue*
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- Second example
- Assignment, Cumulative, Bin-packing, ...

2. Dynamic programming filtering algorithms

- Linear equation, *WeightedCircuit*
- General principles
- Other relationships of DP and CP

3. Illustration with a real-life application

Star Scheduler



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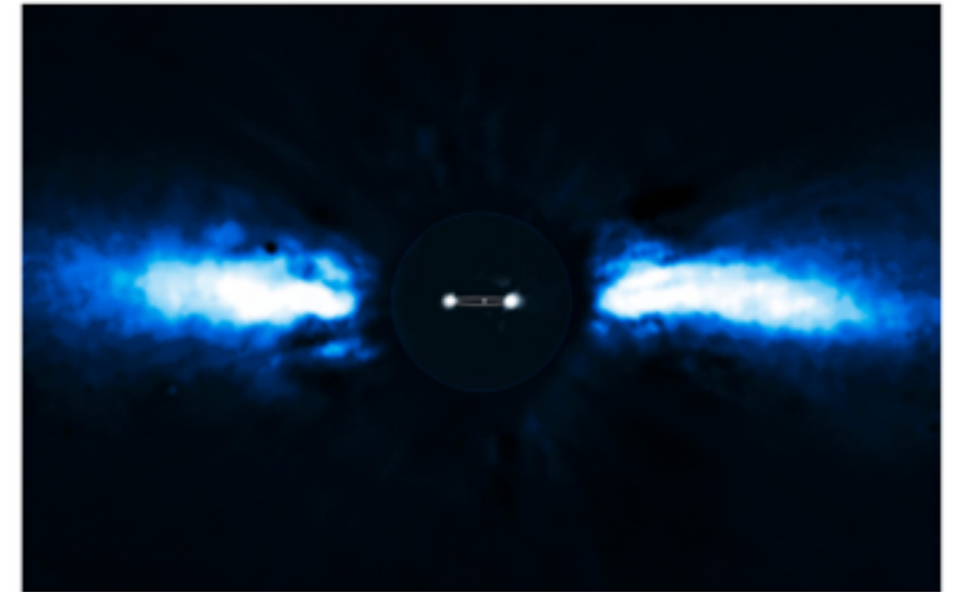
Star Scheduler

Planet that orbits a star \neq sun

- Earth twin ?

\approx **2000 planets discovered**

- A few dozens with direct imaging
- Some light years distance from earth
- million times less brilliant than their stars



New Observation tools:

VLT SPHERE

- Anne-Marie Lagrange
- Beta pictoris b (2008)

Star Scheduler

Extrasolar planet observation

From earth: the VLT (Chili)



The Astrophysicists

- Survey potential stars
- Book a fixed set of nights within the budget

About 100.000 euros a night

- Decide the observation schedule for each night to **maximize scientific interest**



Star Scheduler

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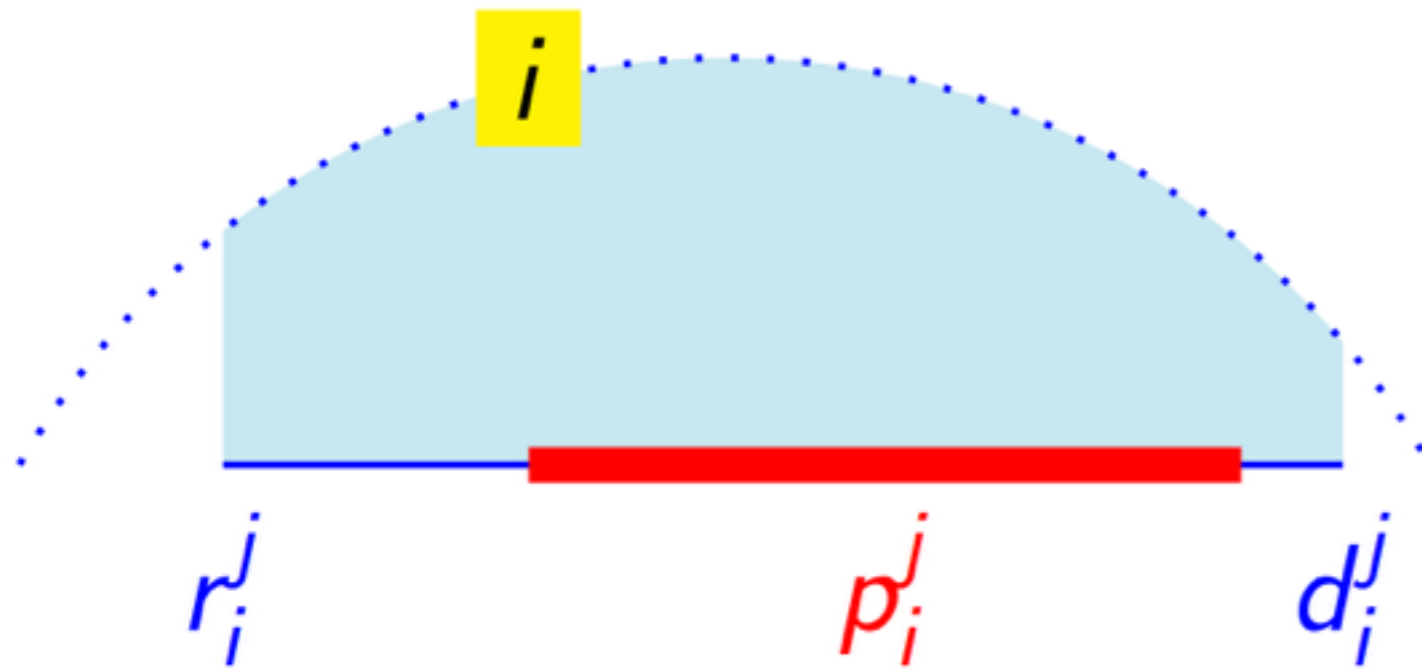
Main constraints

- Visibility period of the stars
- Position in the sky influence
 - Quality of the observation
 - Length of the observation
- Some stars are scientifically more important than others
- Calibration (runs, earthquake)

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Observation i in night j

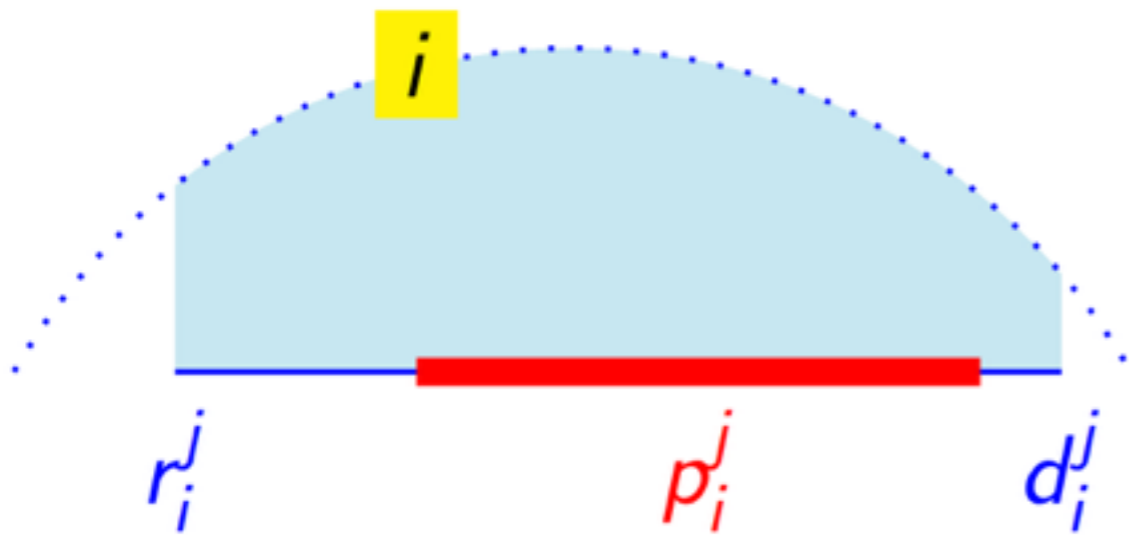


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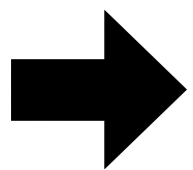
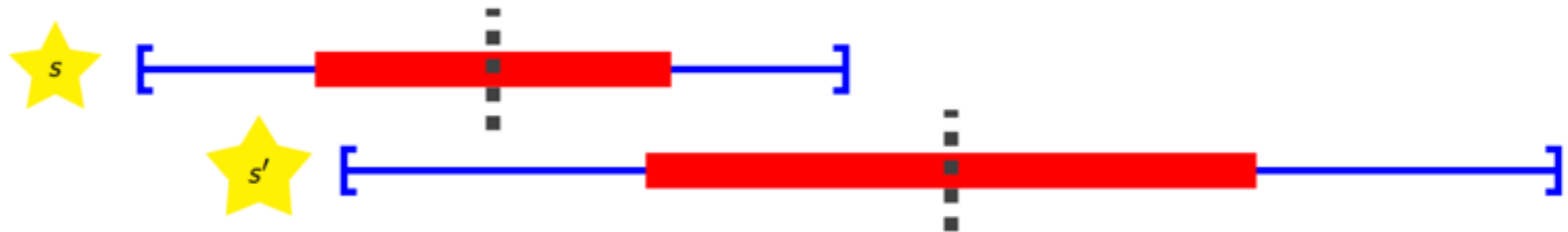
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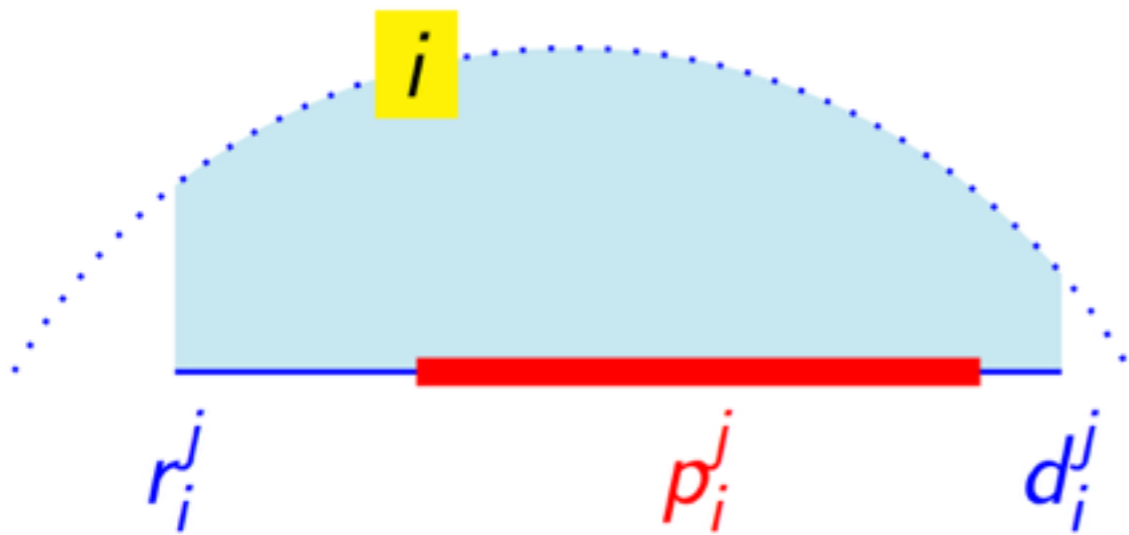


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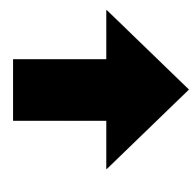
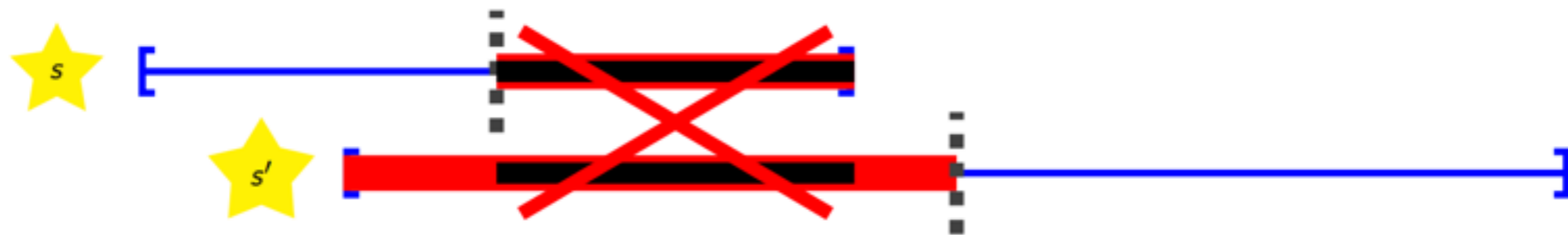


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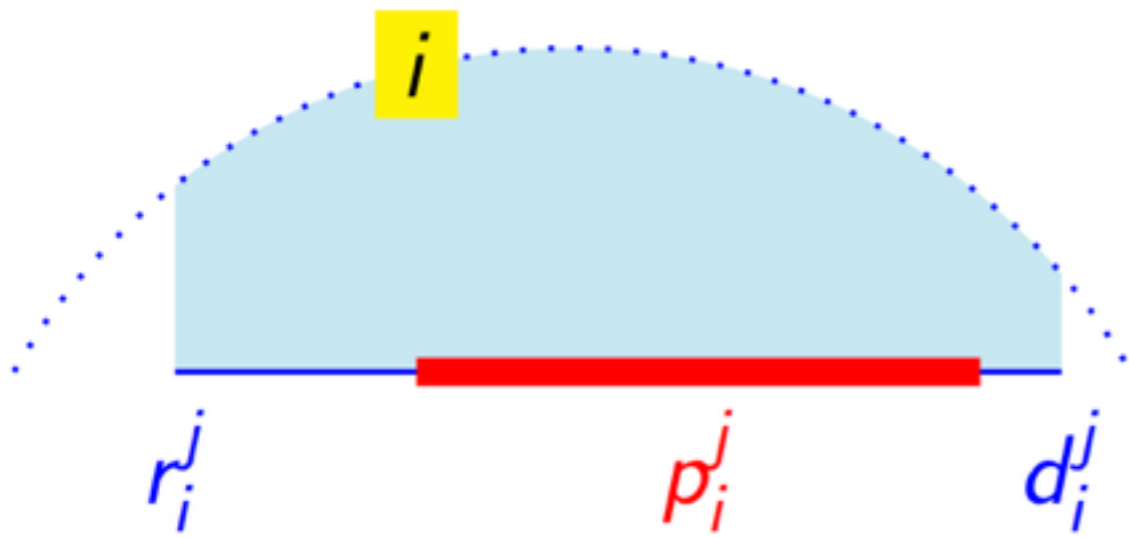


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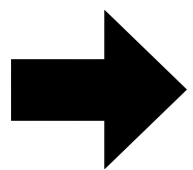
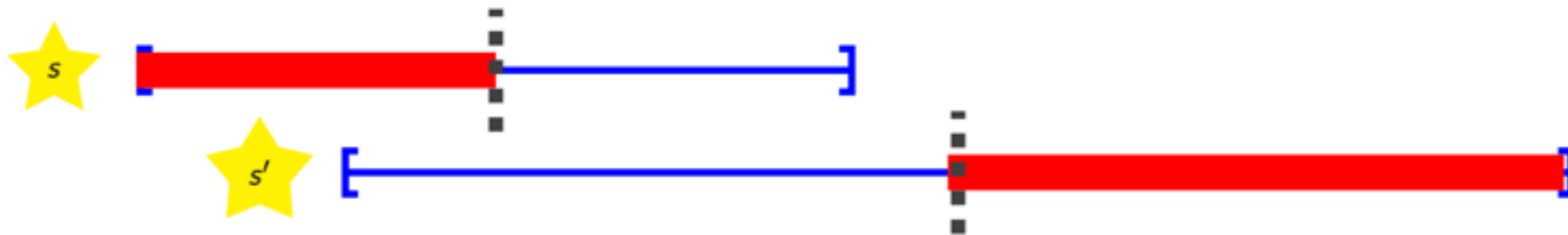


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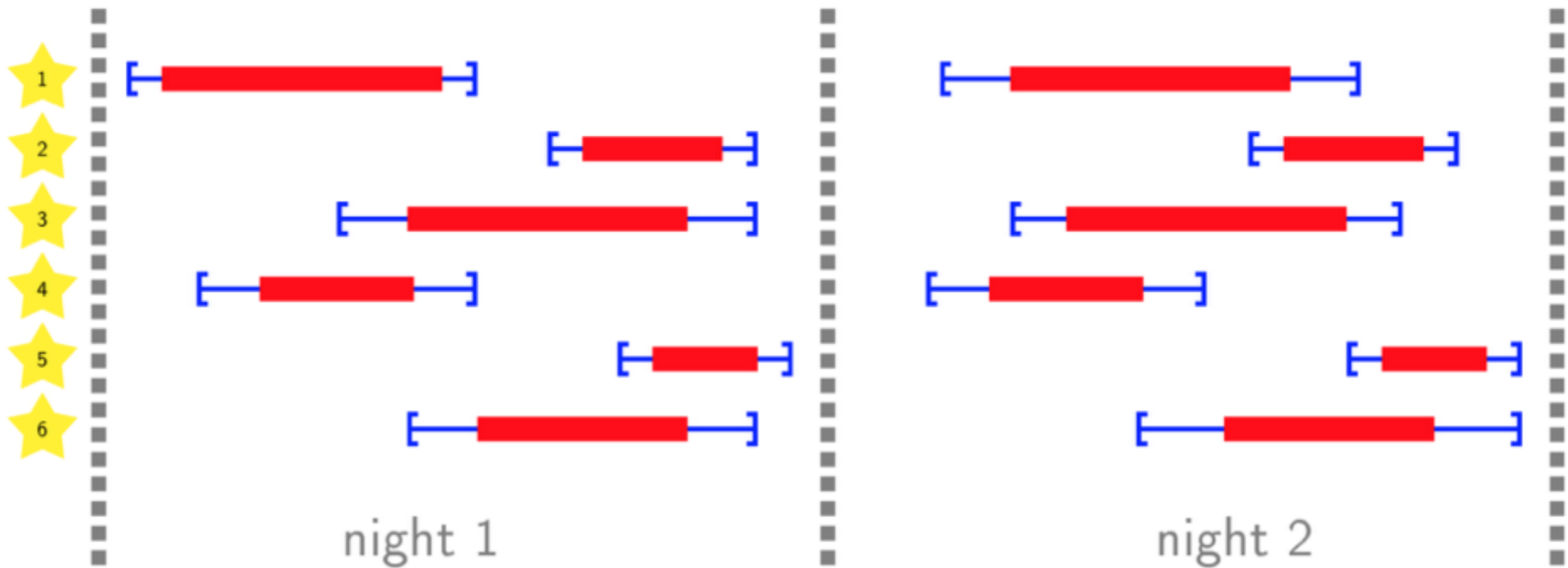


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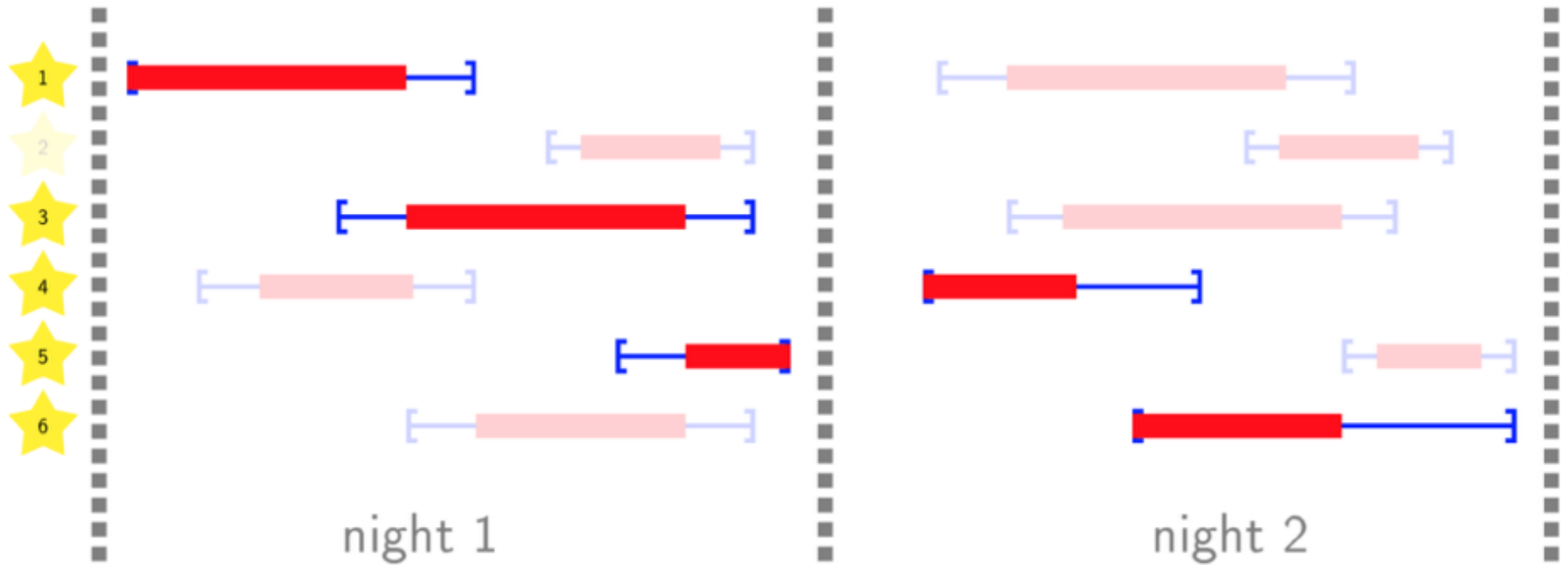


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A solution

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A MIP model



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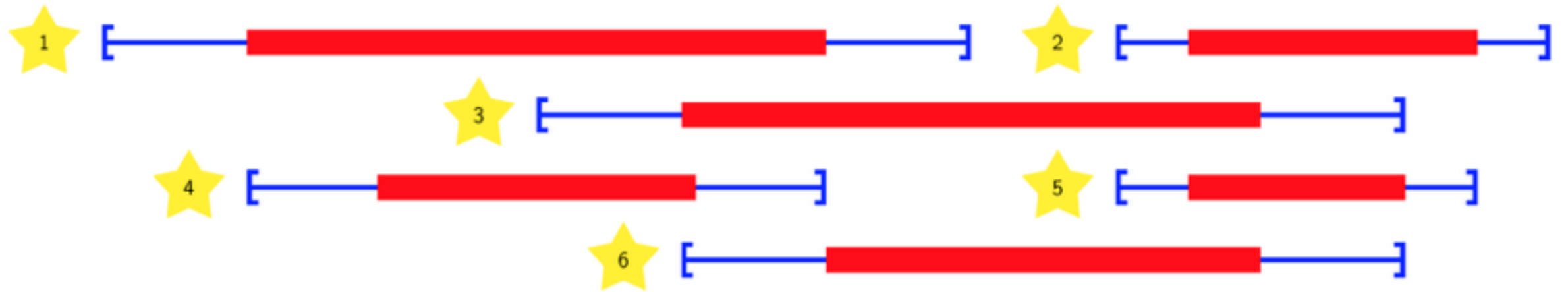
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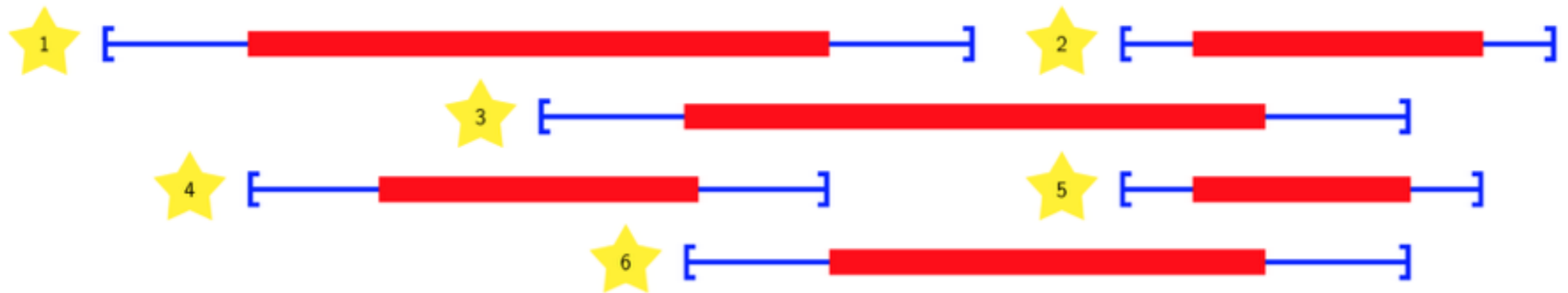
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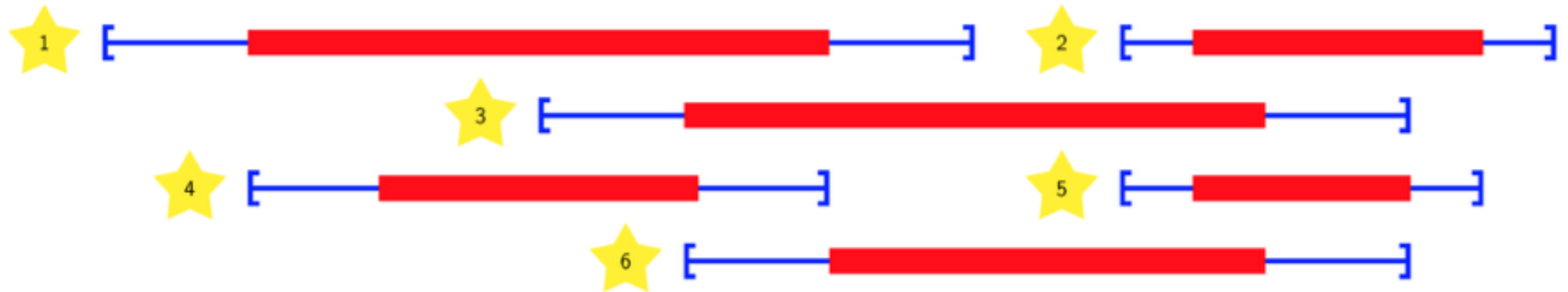
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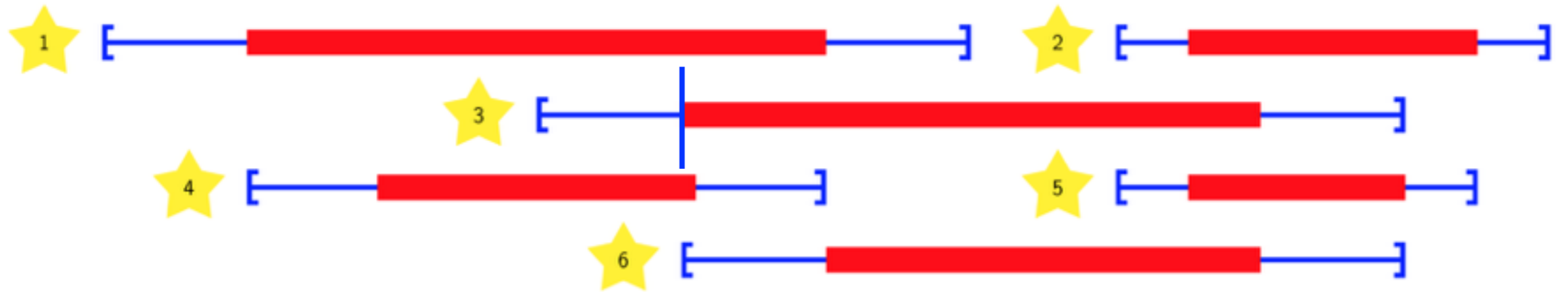


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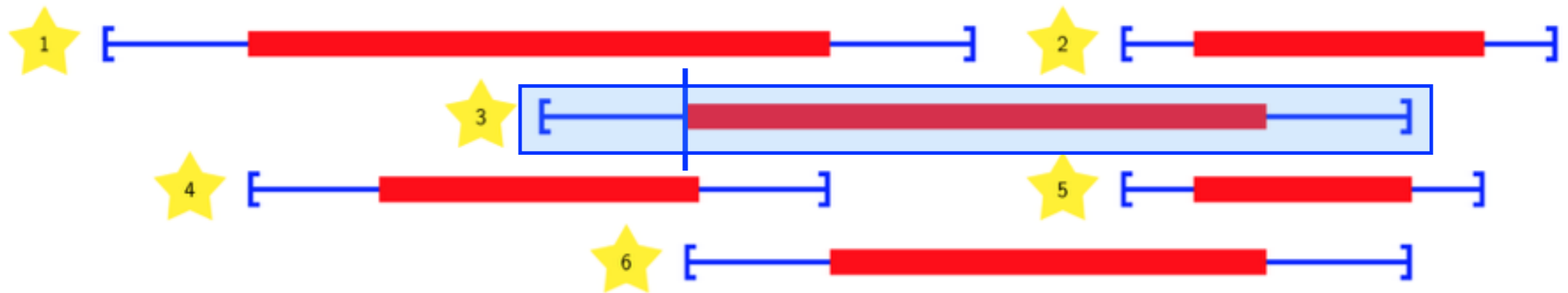
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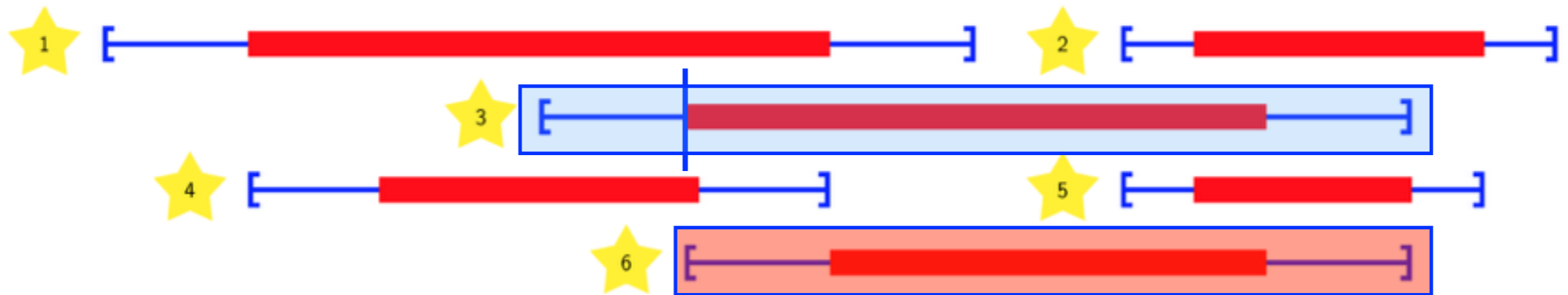


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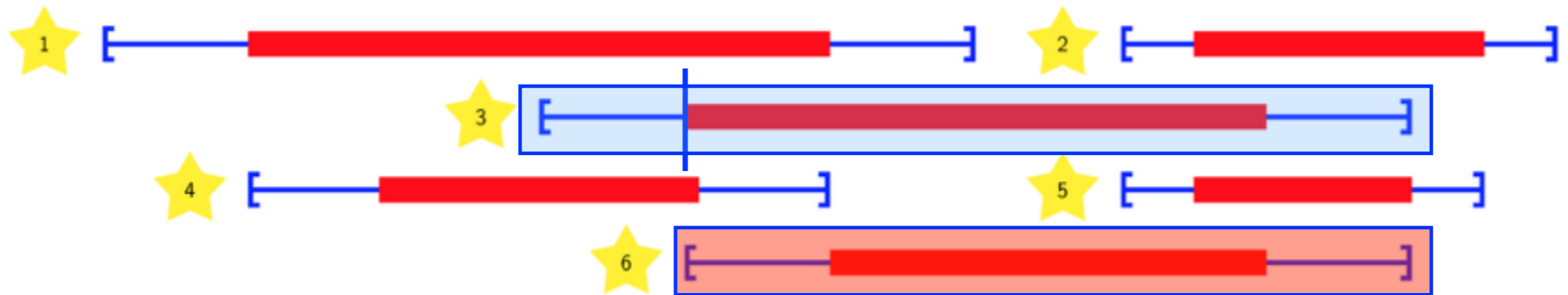
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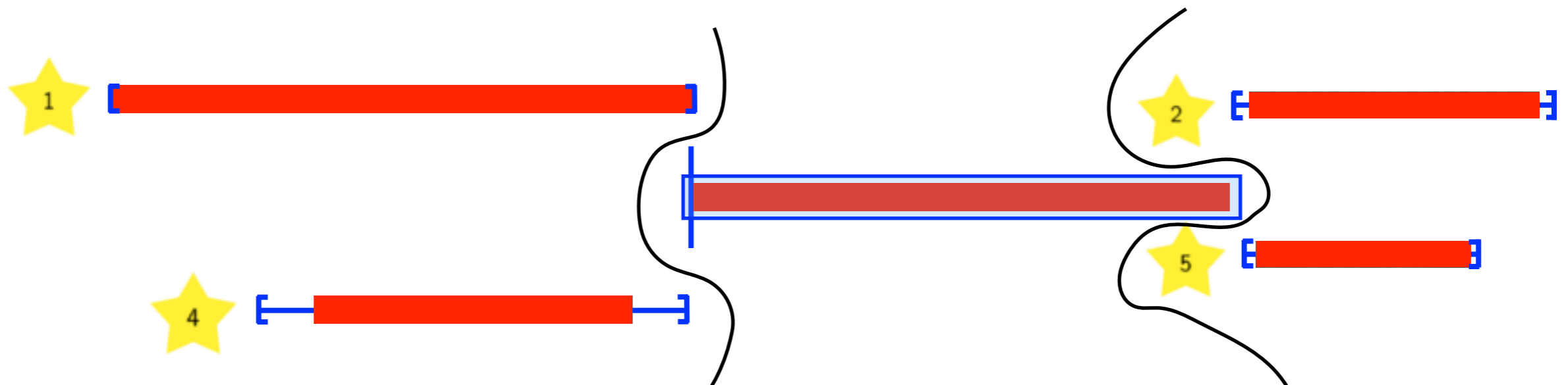


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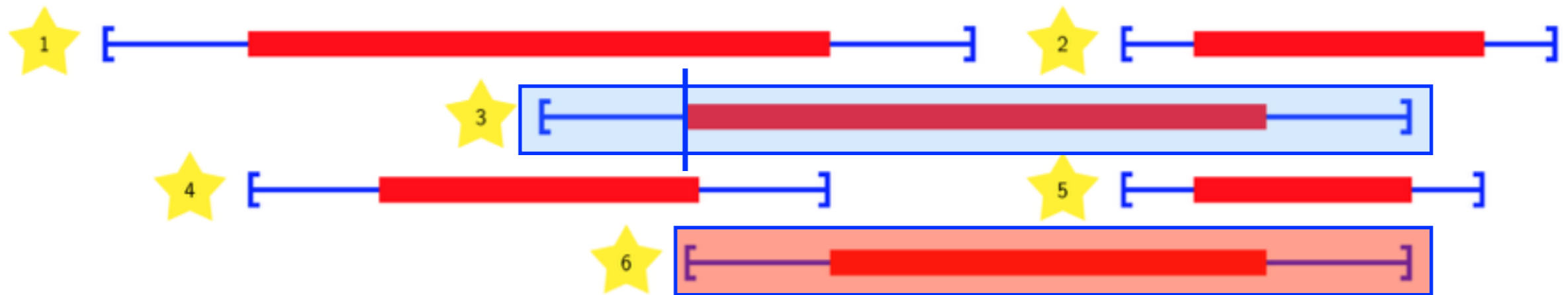
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$f(i, t)$: maximum interest with observations 1 to i (schedule order) and such that i ends before time t

$$f(i, t) = \begin{cases} \max(f(i-1, t), f(i-1, t - p_i) + w_i) & i \in [1, n], t \in [r_i + p_i, d_i] \\ f(i-1, t) & i \in [1, n], t \in [0, r_i + p_i[\\ f(i, d_i) & i \in [1, n], t \in]d_i, T] \\ 0 & i = 0, t \in [0, T] \end{cases}$$

$f(n, T)$ can be found in $O(nT)$

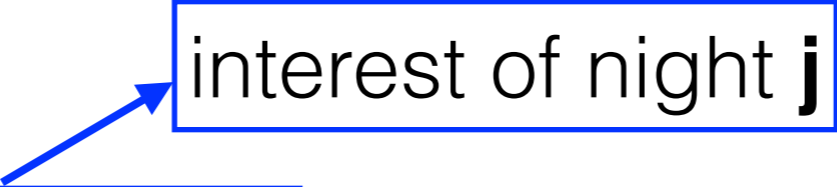
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- + strong filtering for each night
- nights remains filtered independently, no strong lower bound

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Branch and price algorithm implemented in a CP framework

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Conclusion

Focus of this talk:

Investigate/understand filtering techniques beyond polynomial sub-problems (beyond local-consistencies)

Help us to grow a better understanding of OR