

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.

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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 .

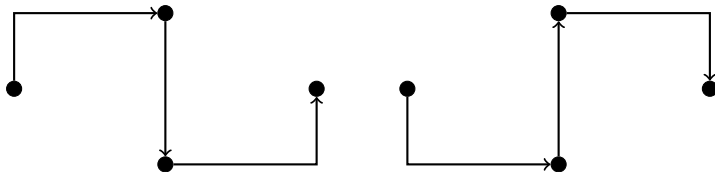
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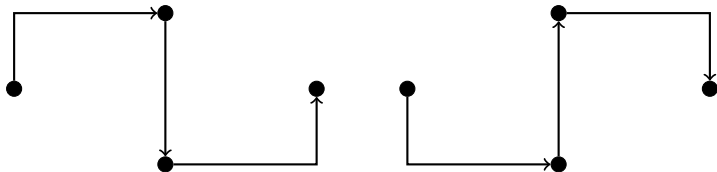
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- ▶ We can build DAG from each of the bottommost/topmost node of each x coordinate to the bottommost/topmost node of the following x coordinate.
- ▶ Use dynamic programming: $\mathcal{O}(N)$
- ▶ Alternatively use Dijkstra: $\mathcal{O}(N \log_2(N))$

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- ▶ To do this you can build some kind of "next" array.
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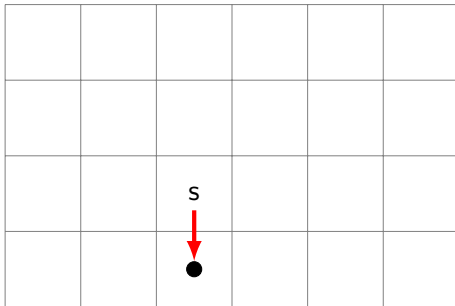
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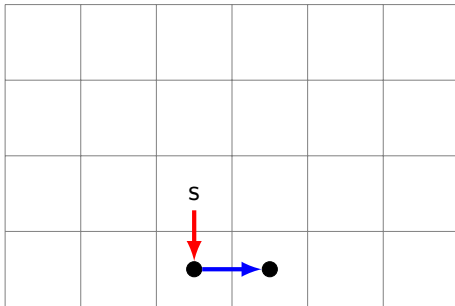
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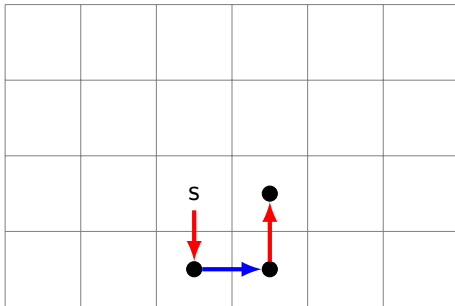
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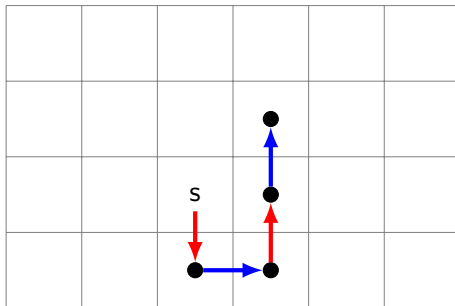
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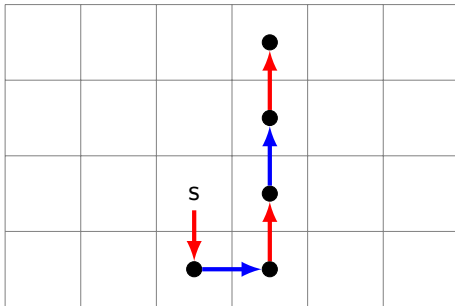
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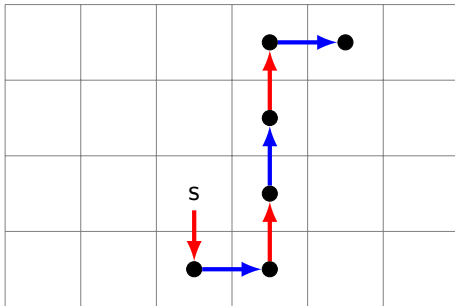
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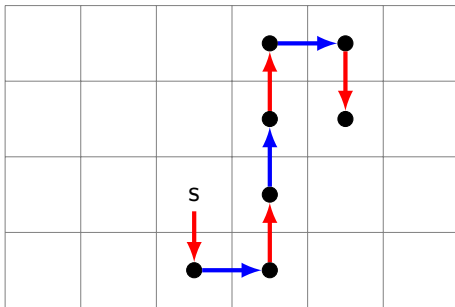
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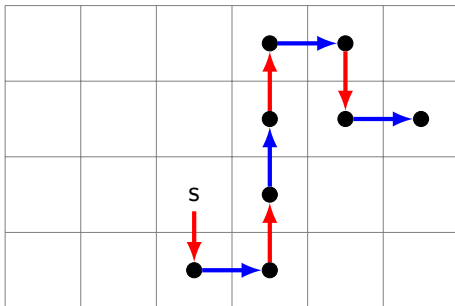
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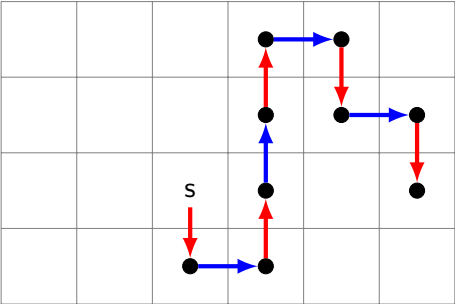
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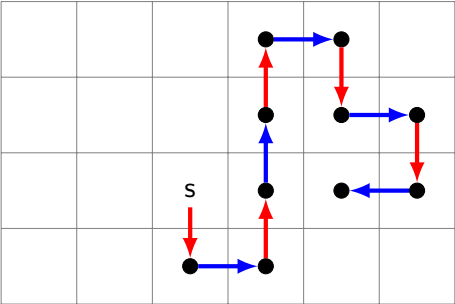
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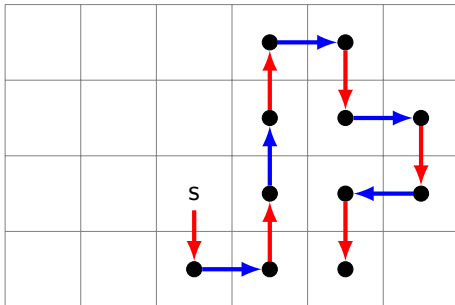
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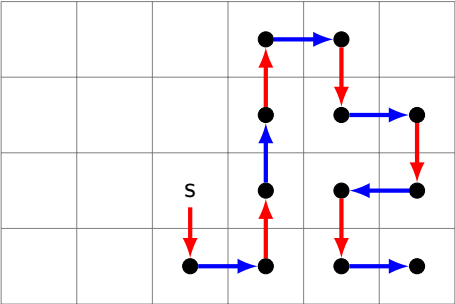
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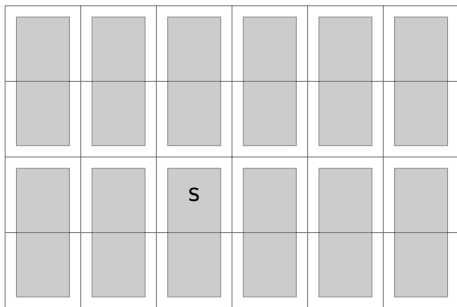
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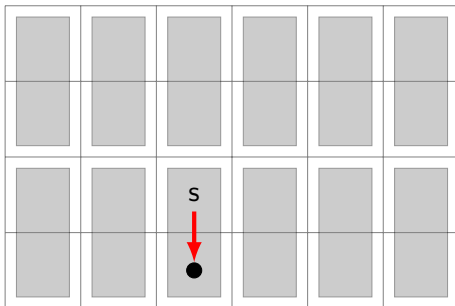
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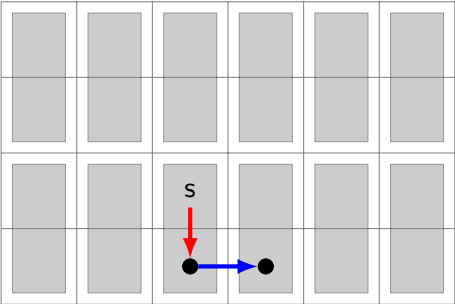
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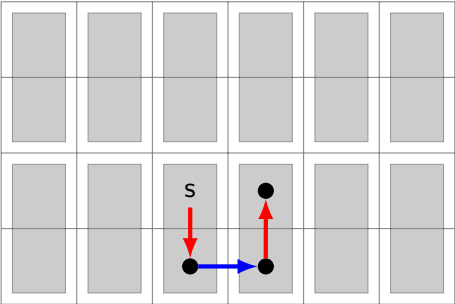
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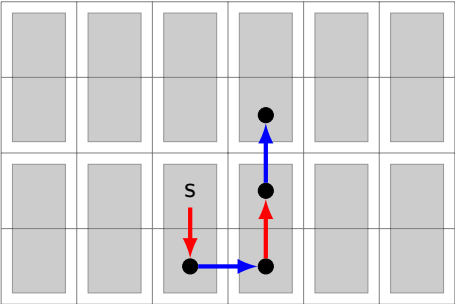
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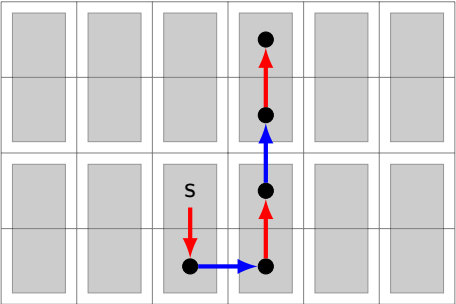
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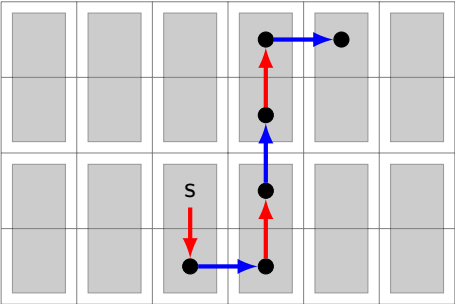
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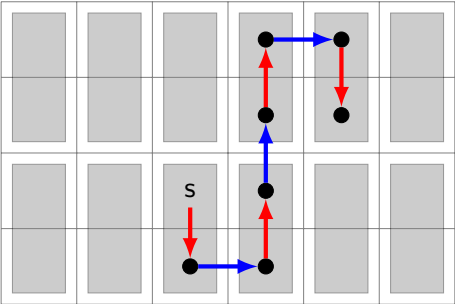
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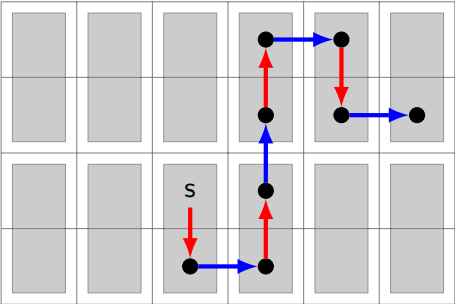
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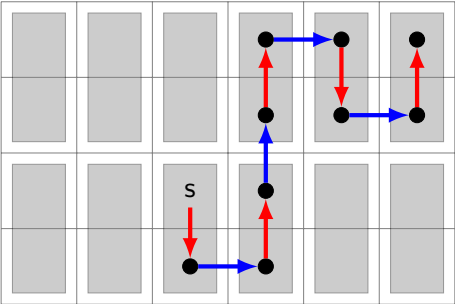
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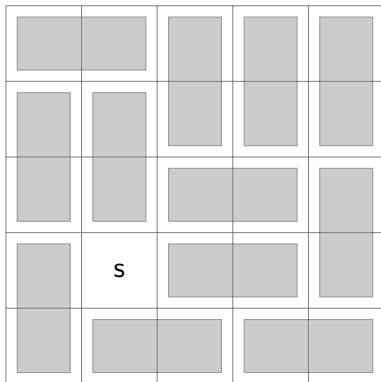
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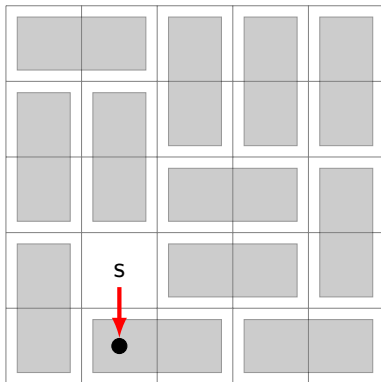
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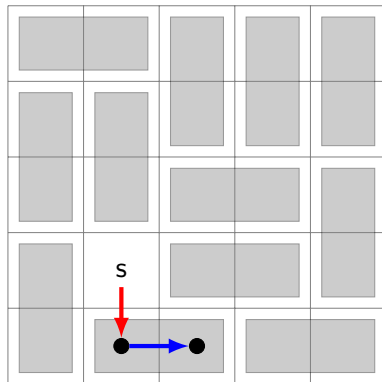
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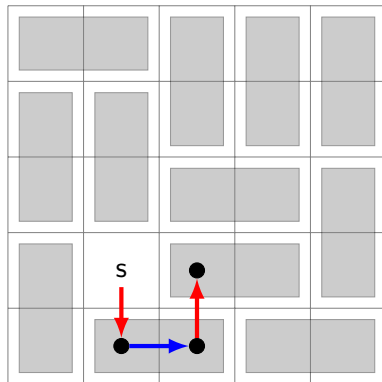
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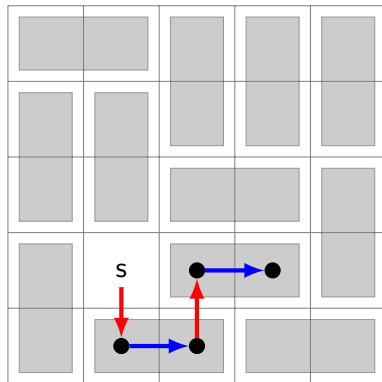
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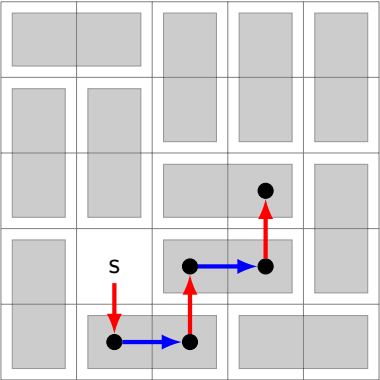
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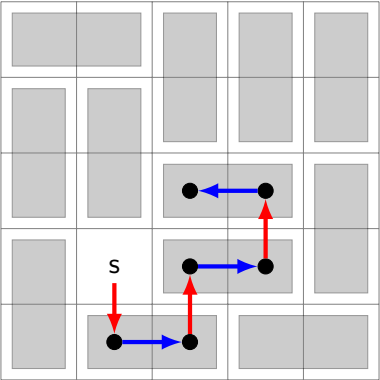
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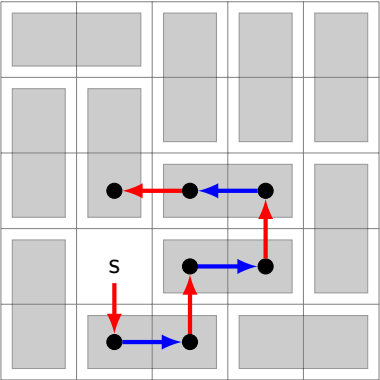
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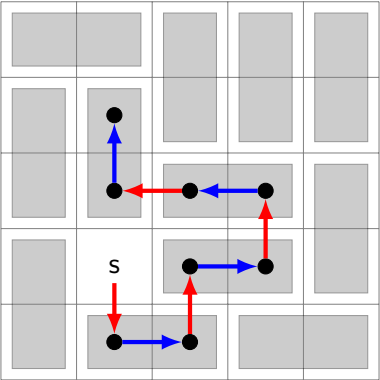
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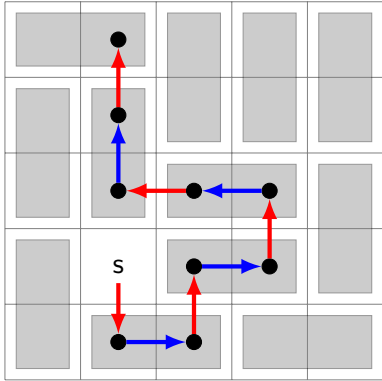
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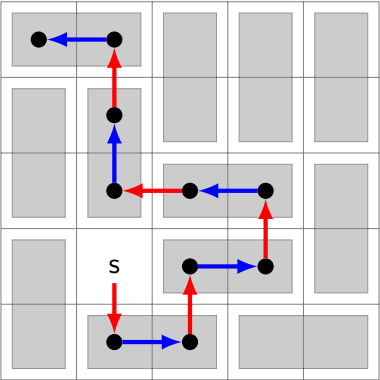
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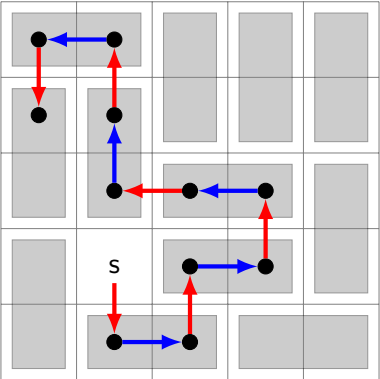
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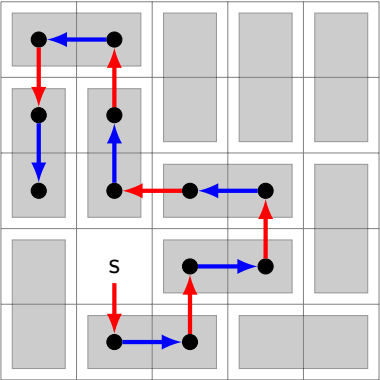
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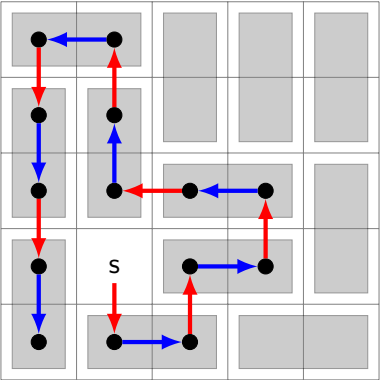
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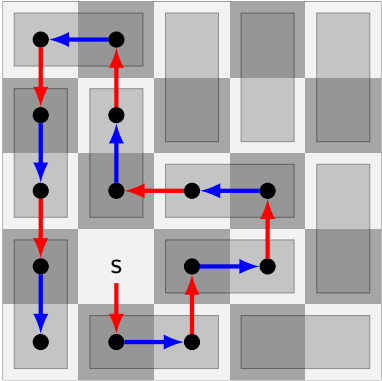
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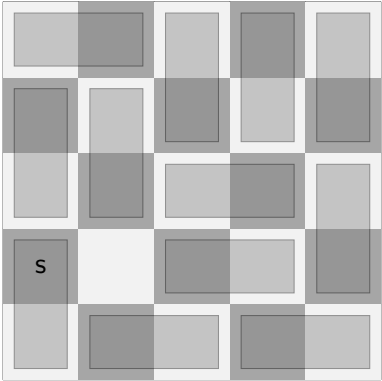
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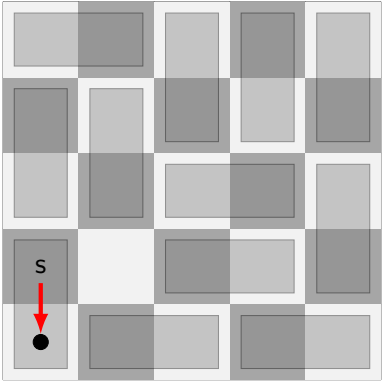
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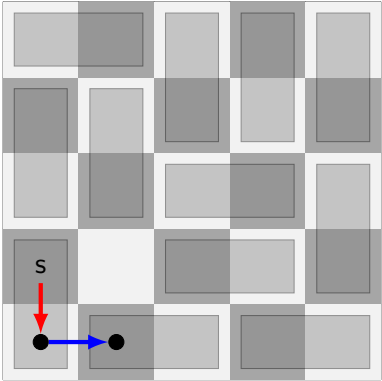
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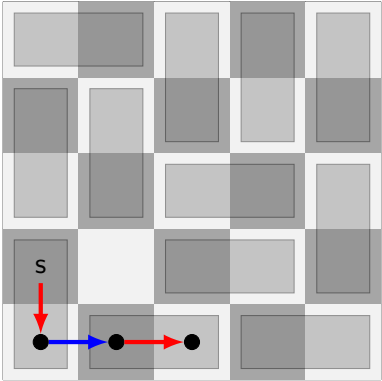
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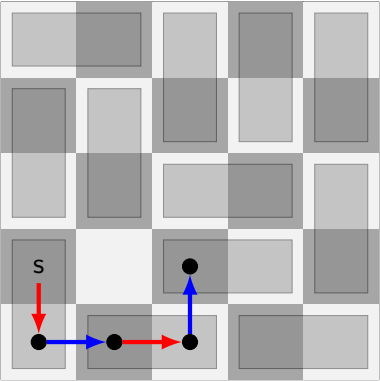
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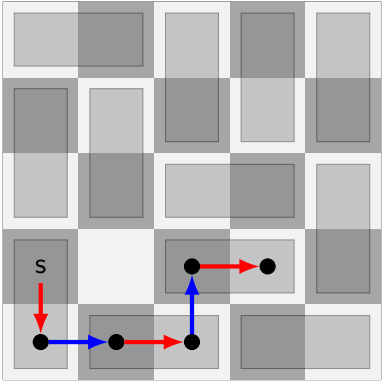
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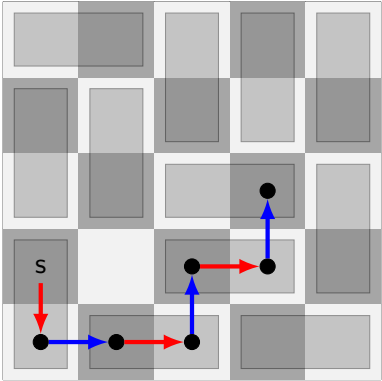
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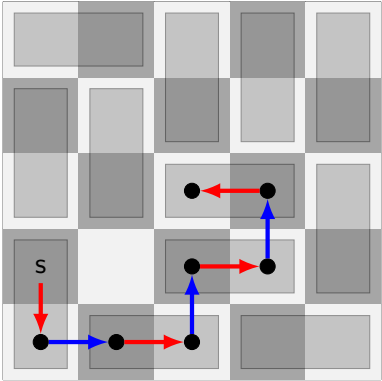
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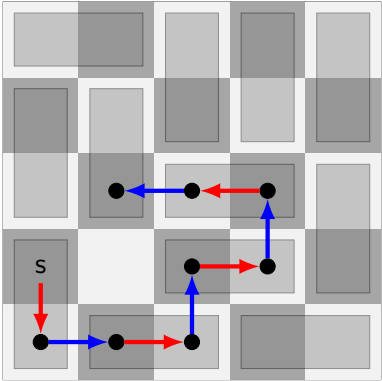
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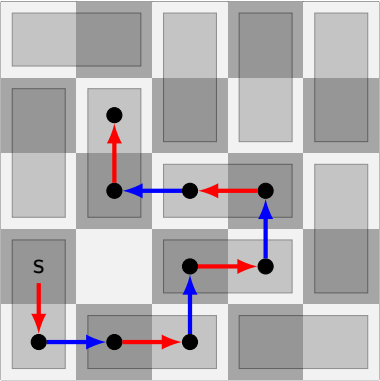
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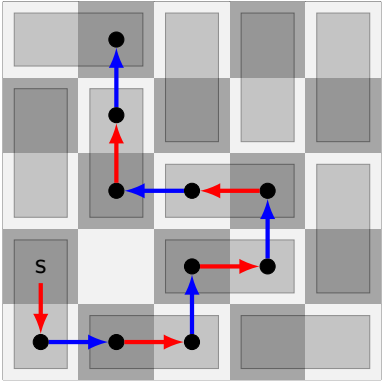
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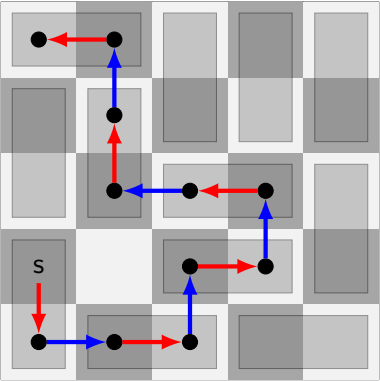
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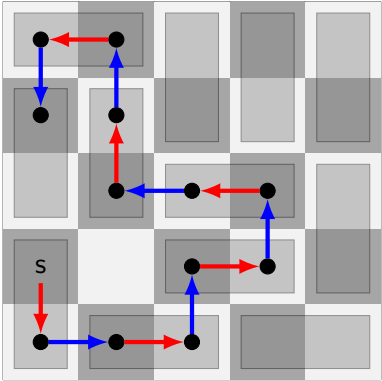
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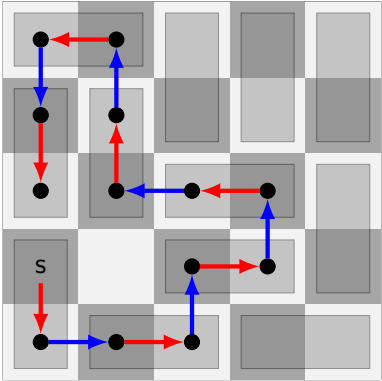
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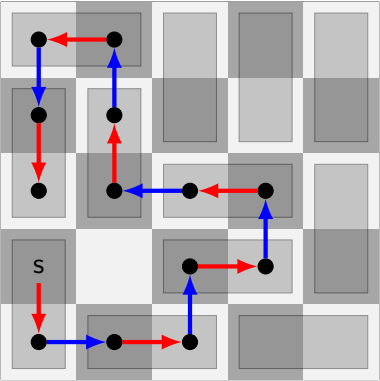
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Solution:

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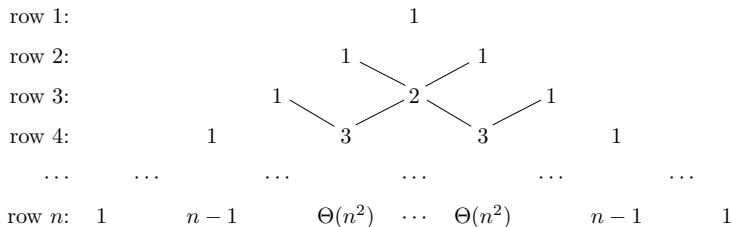
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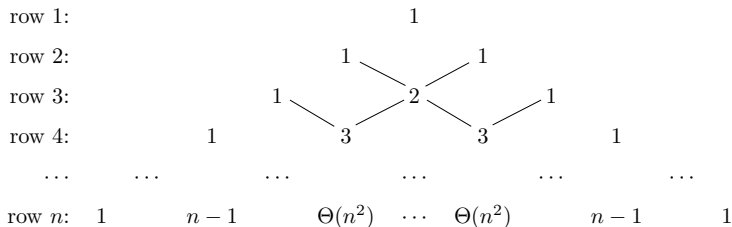
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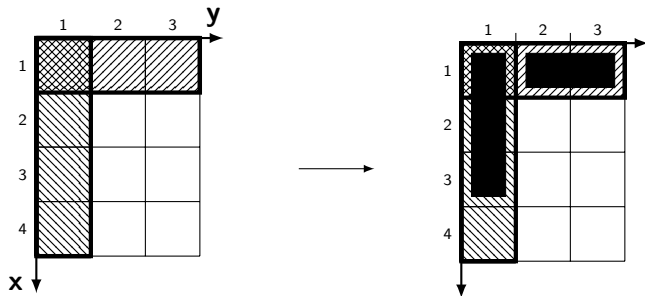
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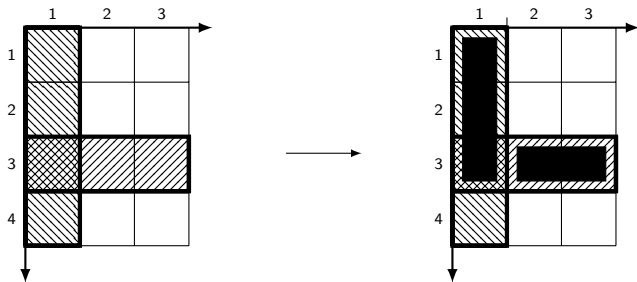
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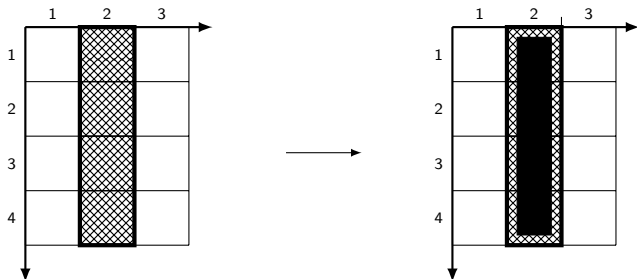
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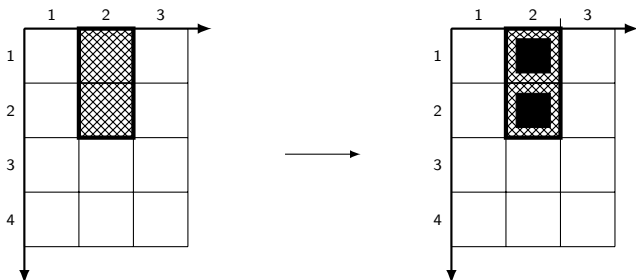
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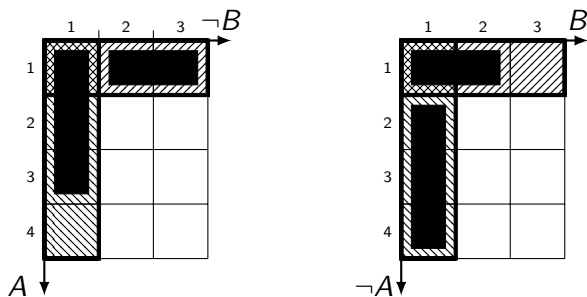
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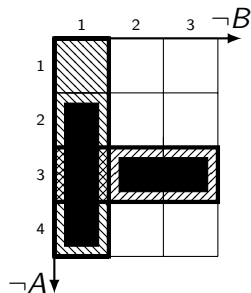
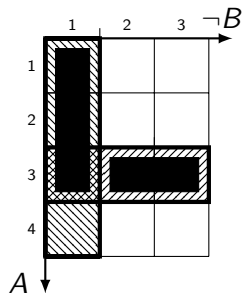
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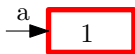
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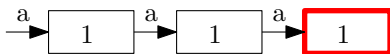
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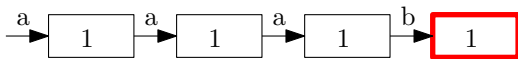
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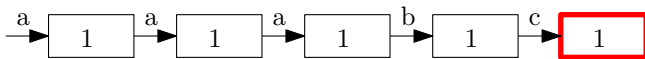
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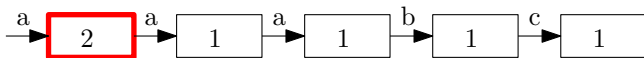
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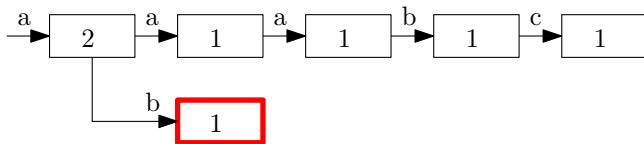
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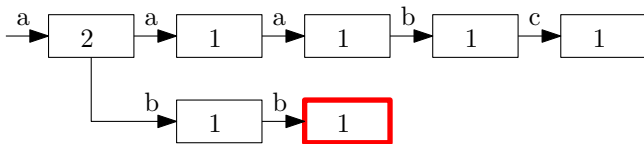
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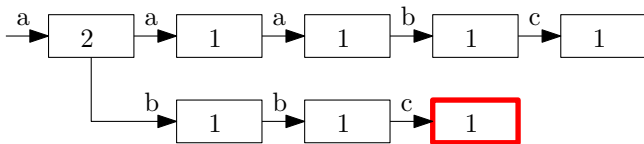
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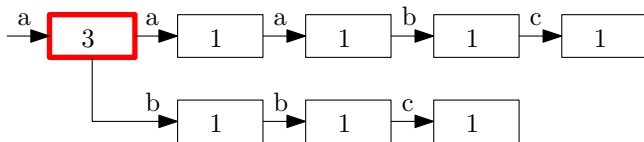
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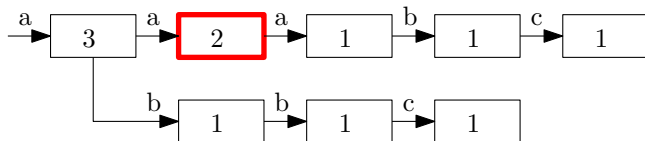
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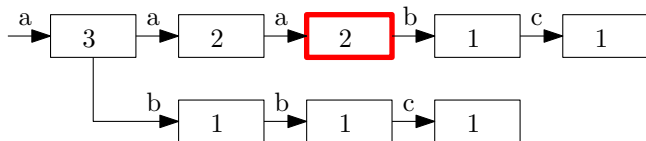
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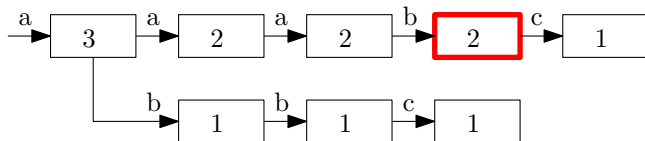
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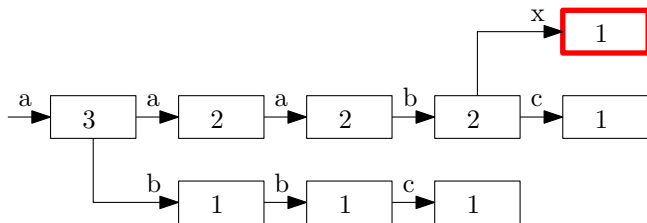
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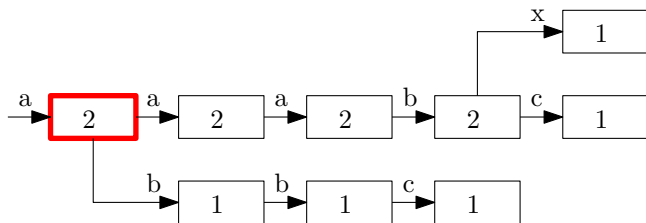
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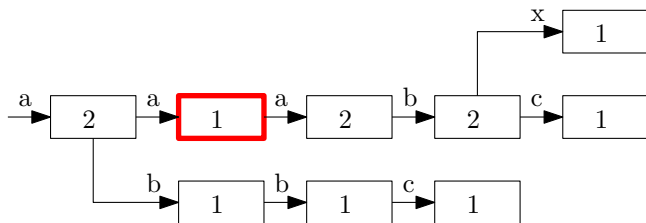
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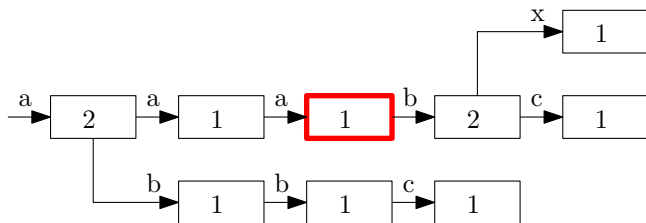
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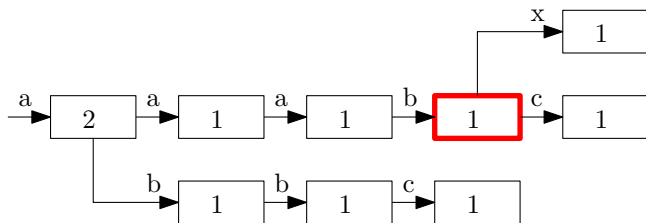
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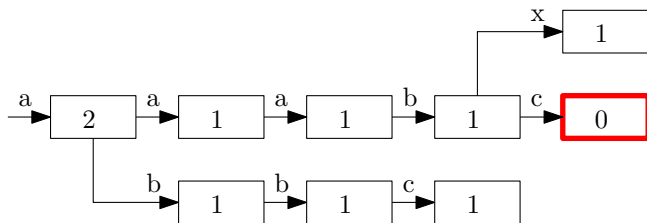
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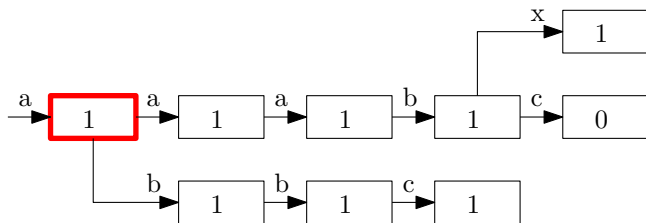
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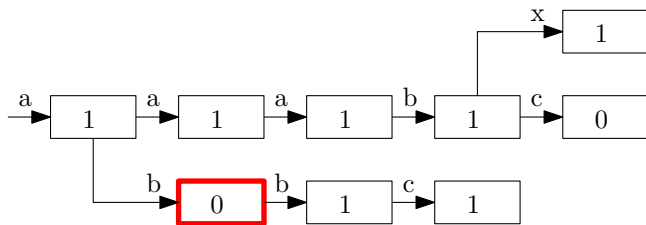
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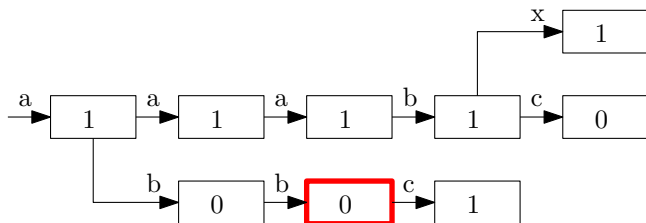
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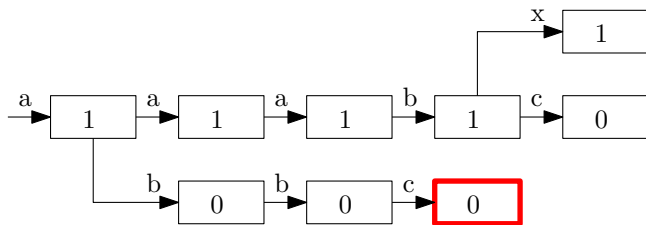
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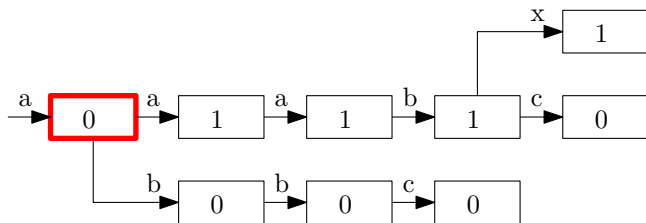
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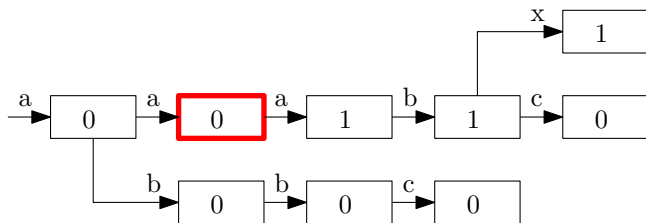
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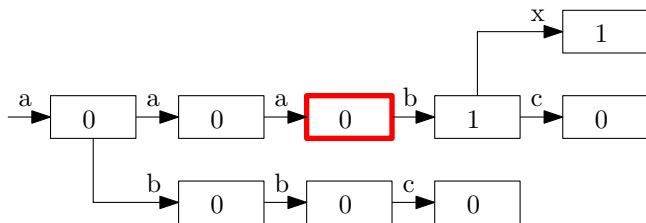
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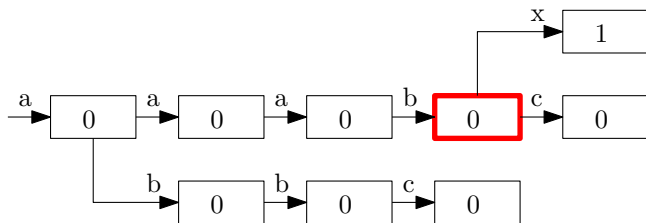
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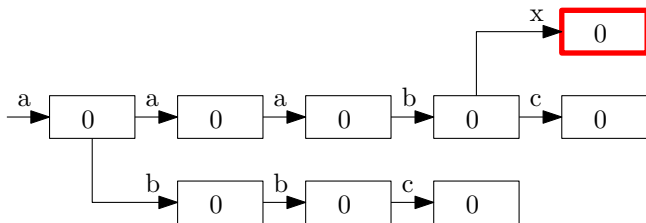
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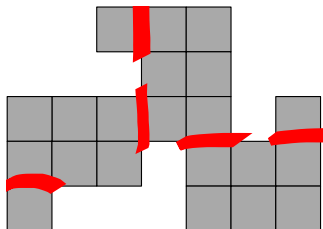
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- ▶ Alternatively use hashing!
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- ▶ Linear solution.
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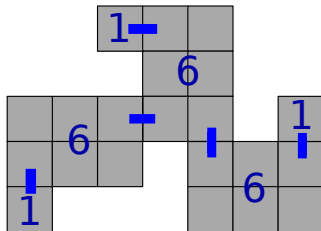
- ▶ Construct a graph: each tile is a vertex, connect by edges tiles sharing an edge.
- ▶ We can cut two tiles if their edge is a **bridge** (its removal makes the graph disconnected).



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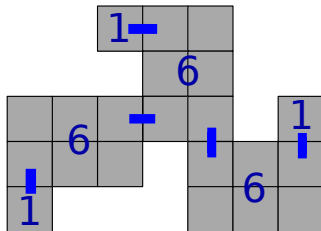
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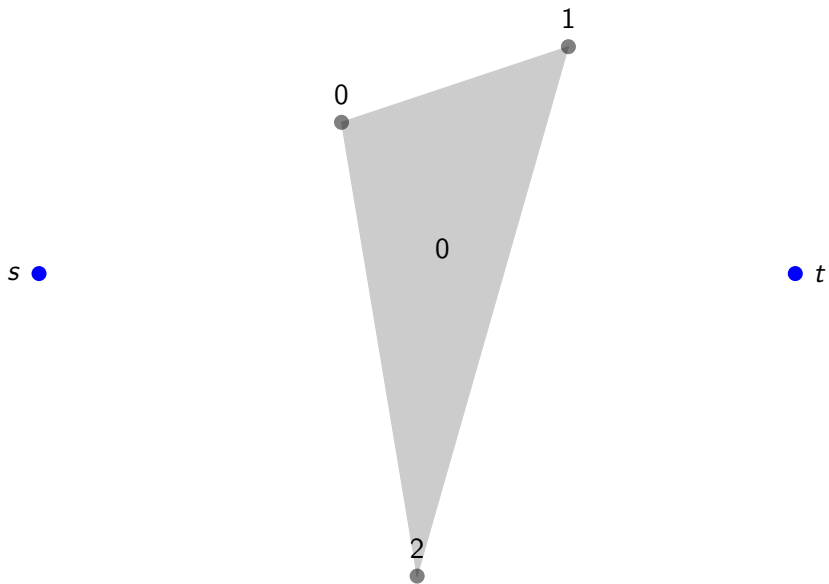
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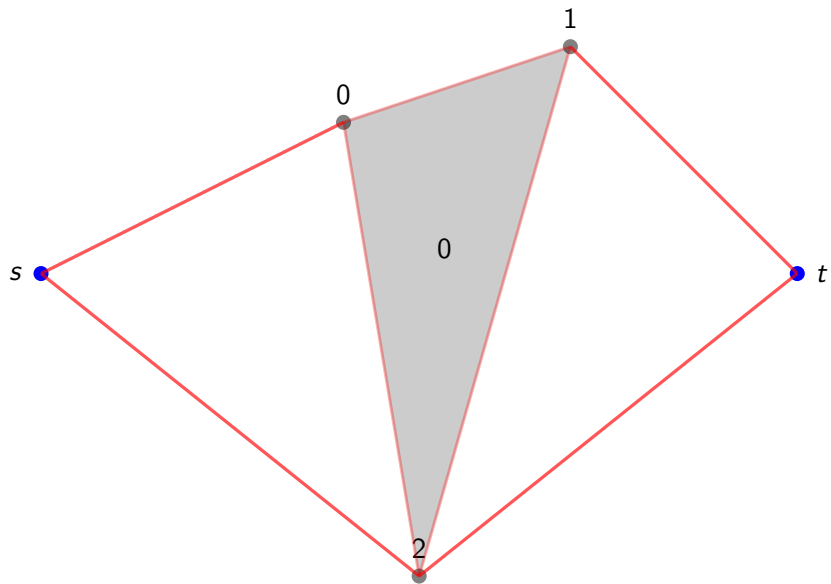
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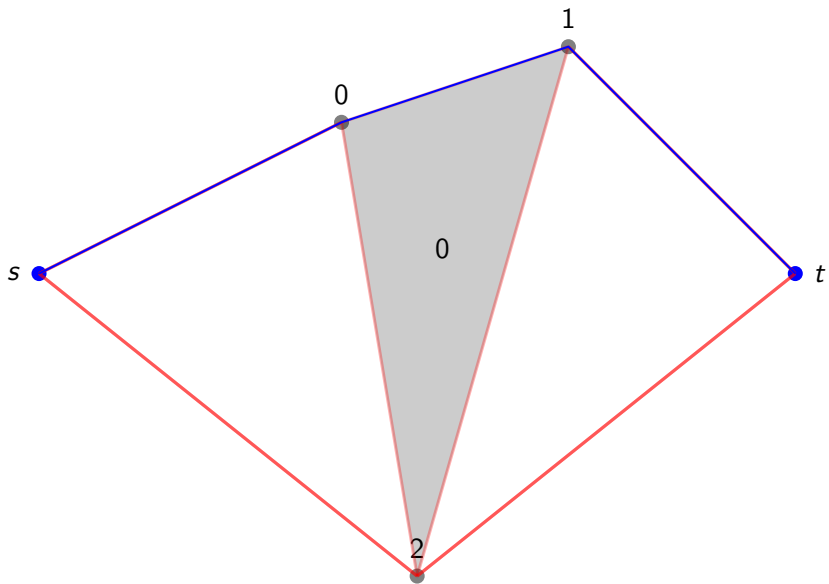
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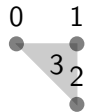
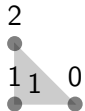
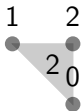
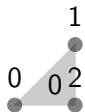


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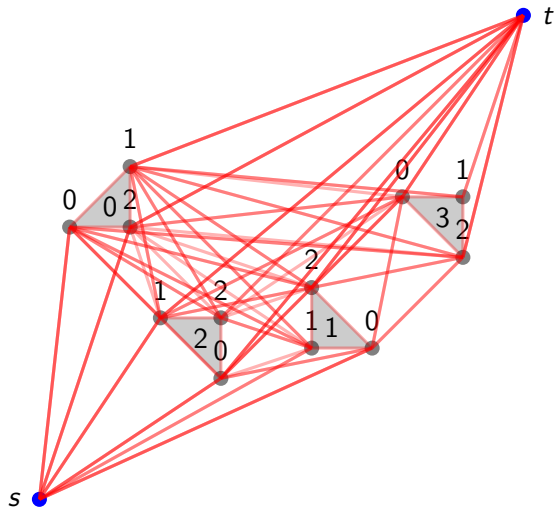
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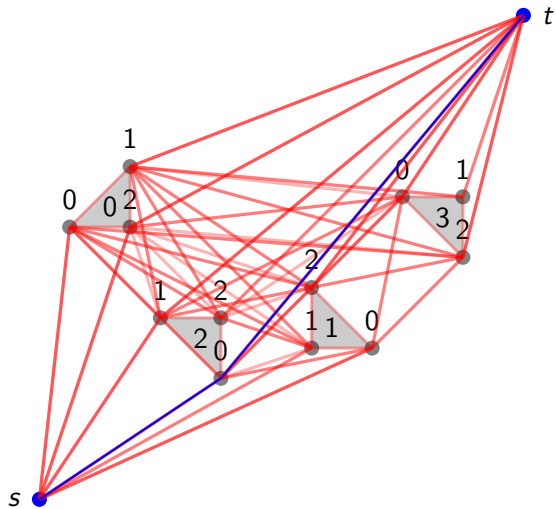


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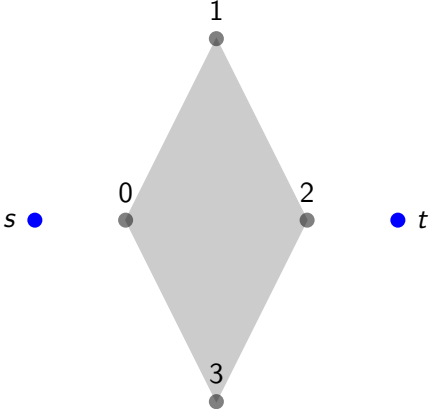
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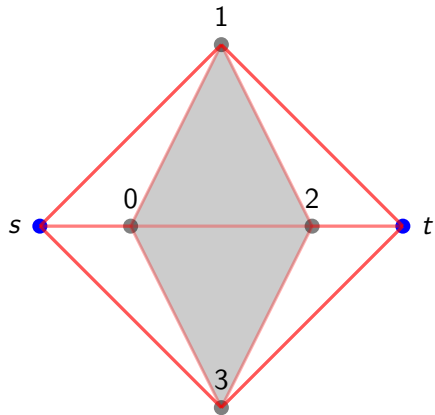
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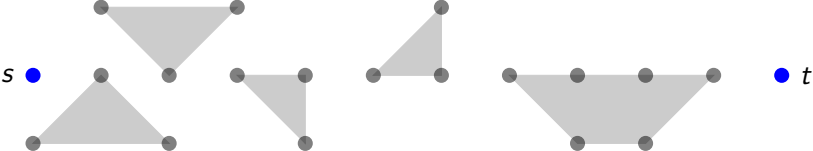
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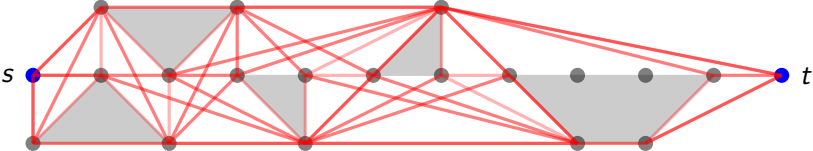
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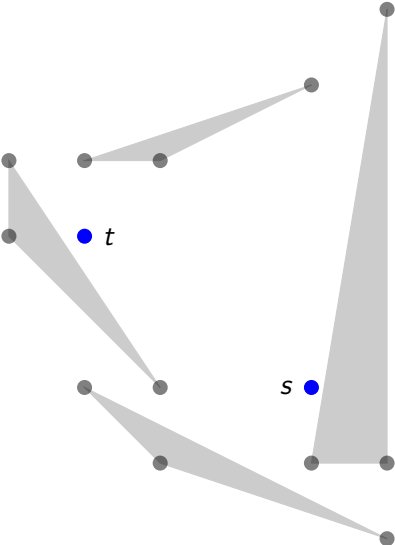
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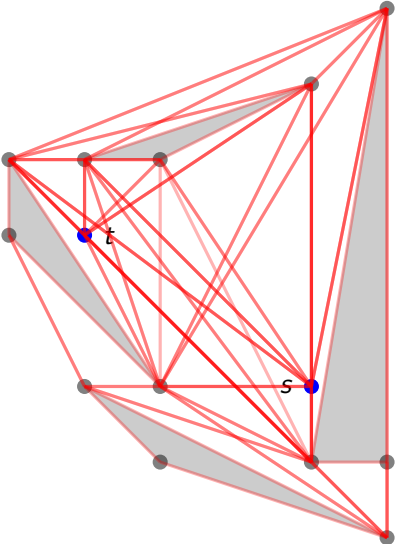
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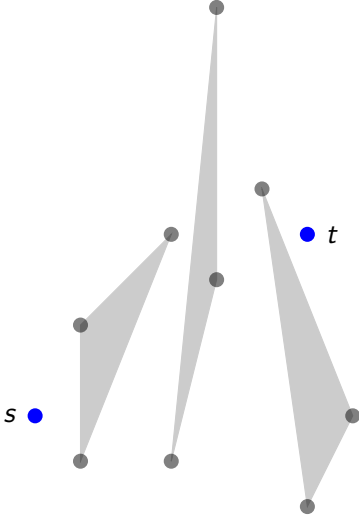
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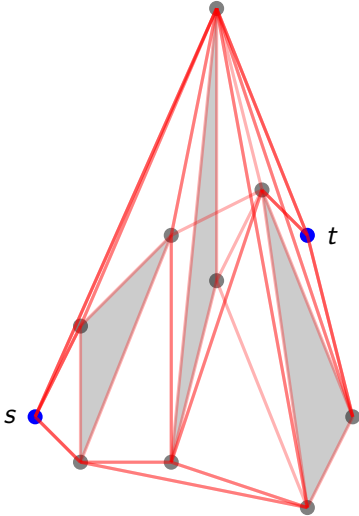
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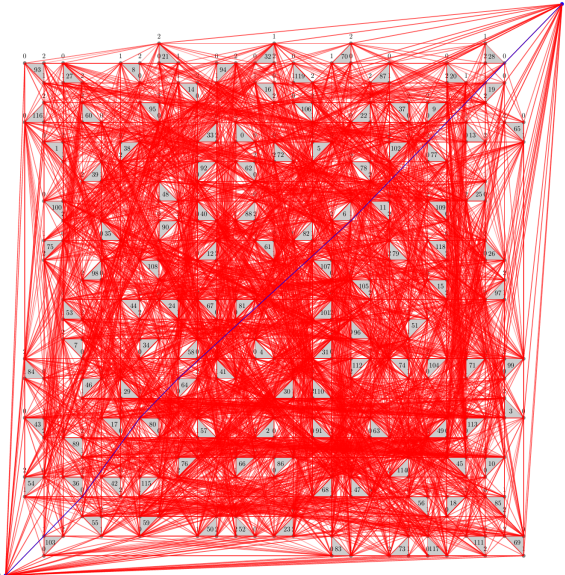
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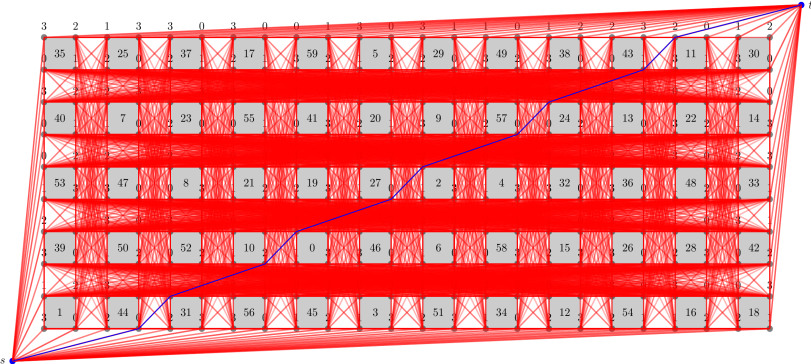
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