Verifying Concurrent Graph Algorithms

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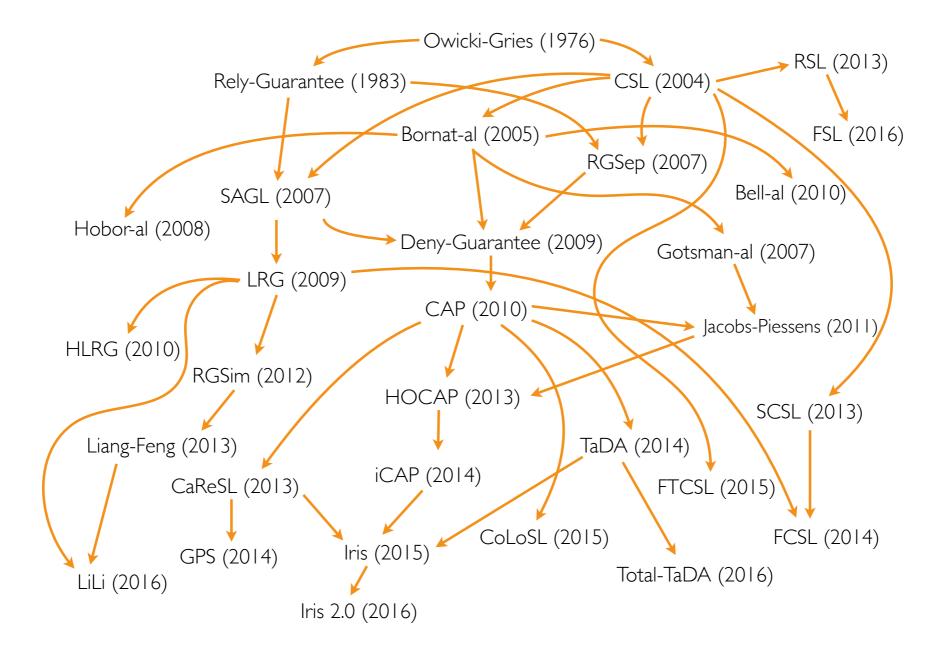
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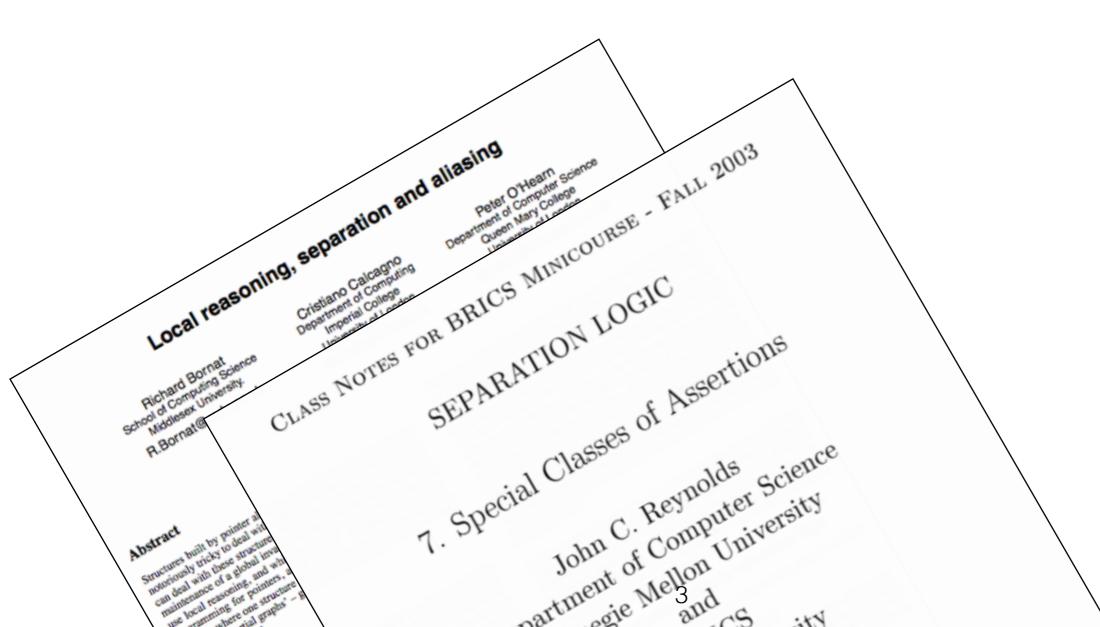
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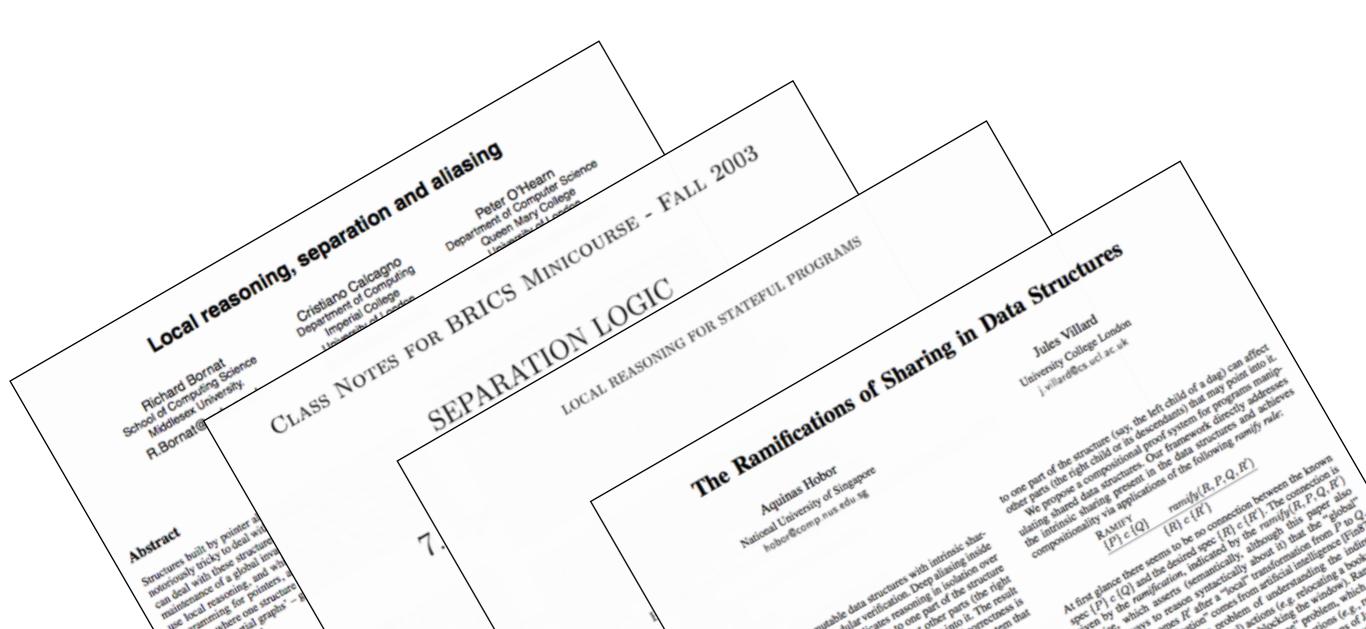
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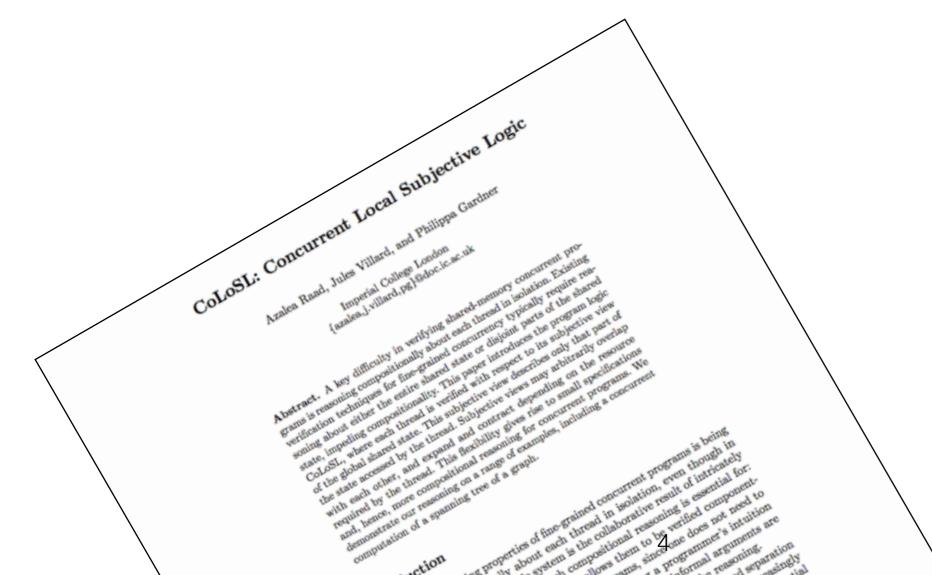
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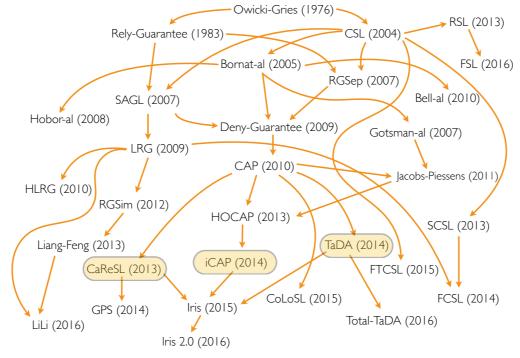
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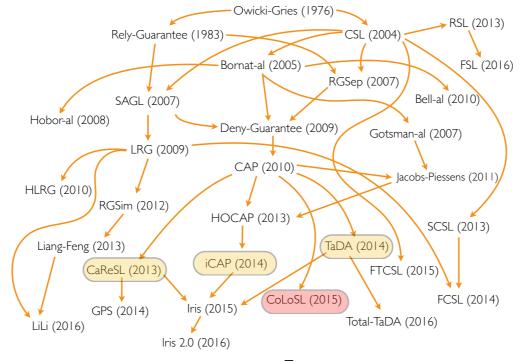
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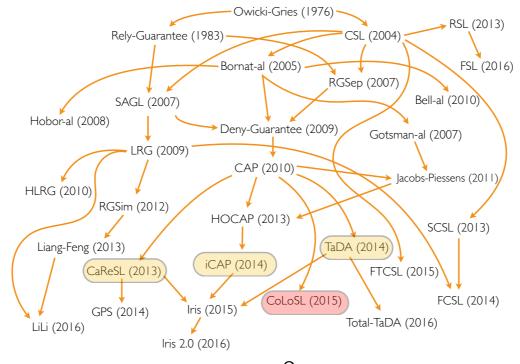


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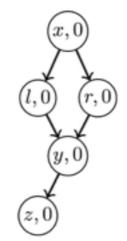
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copy_dag(x) Specification

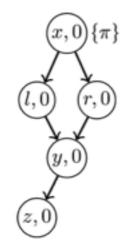
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- Specification challenges
 - When copy_dag(x) returns, x is copied but its children may not be
 - If x is already copied, copy_dag(x) simply returns: the thread that copied x has made a promise to visit x's children and ensure they are copied

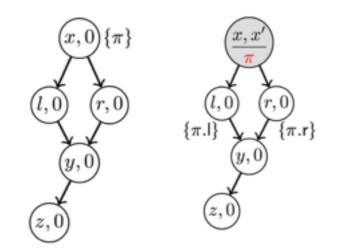
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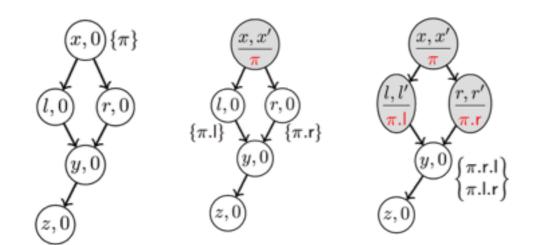
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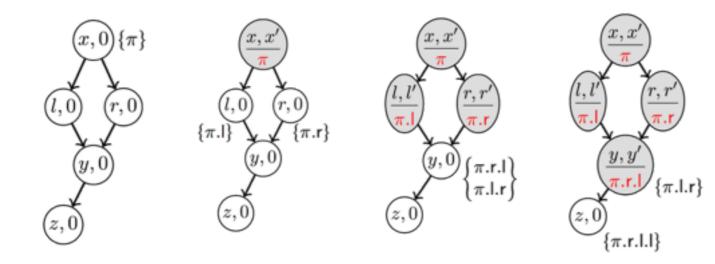
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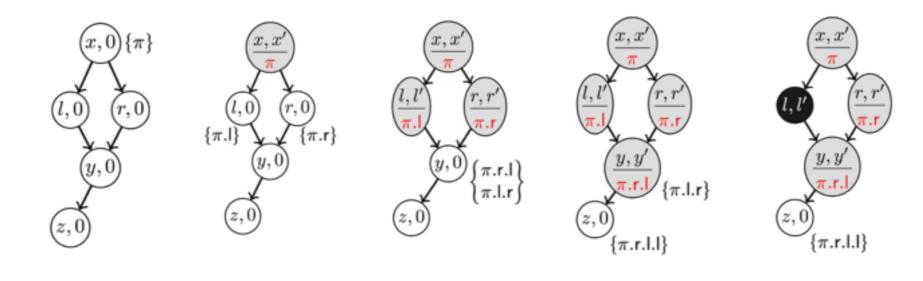
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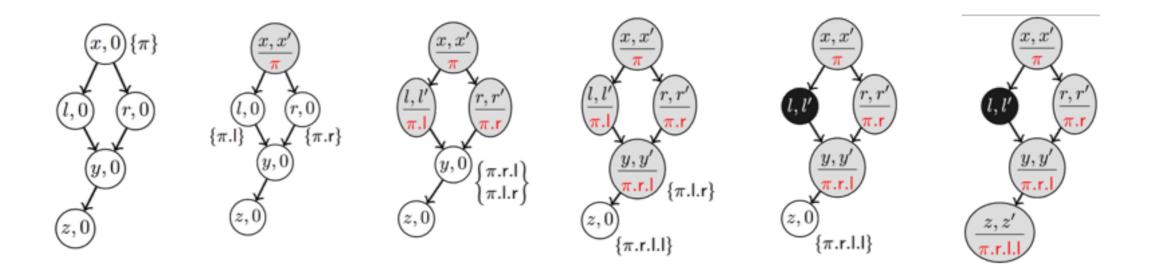
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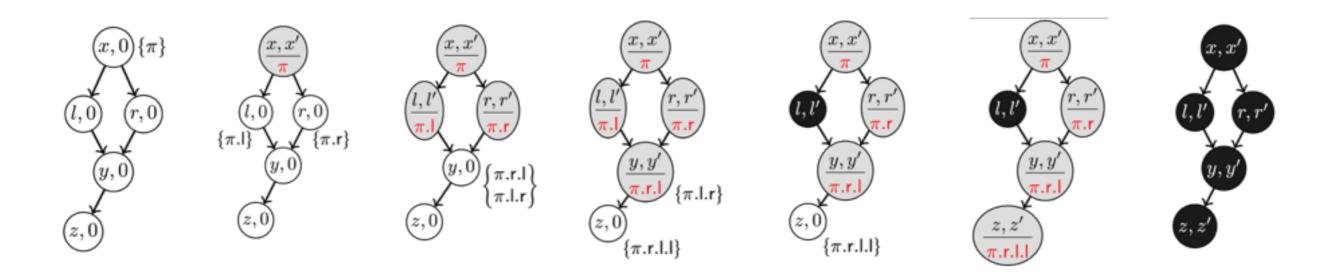
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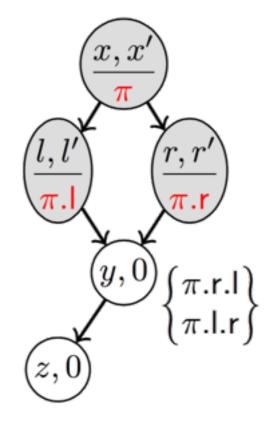
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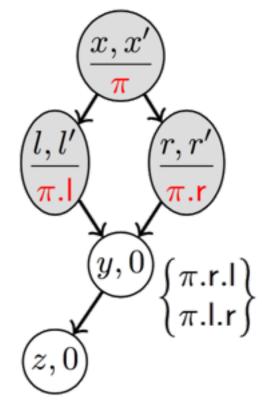
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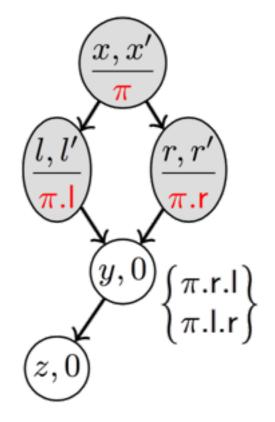


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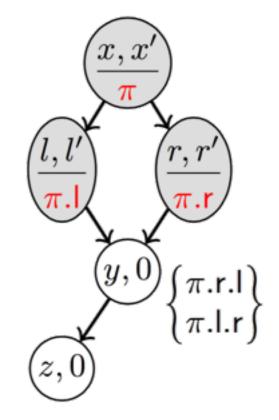
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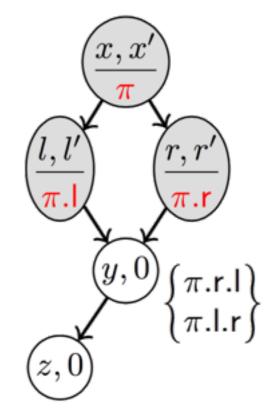
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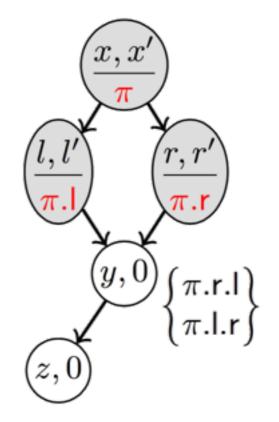
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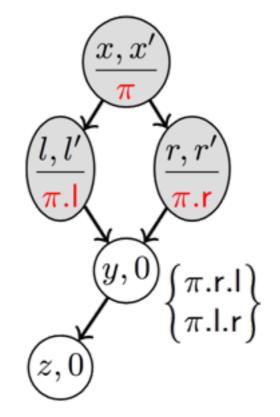


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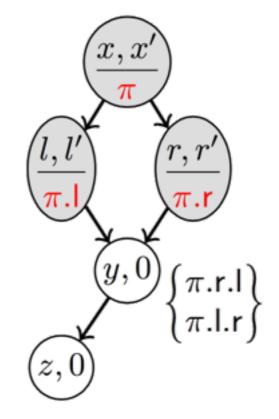


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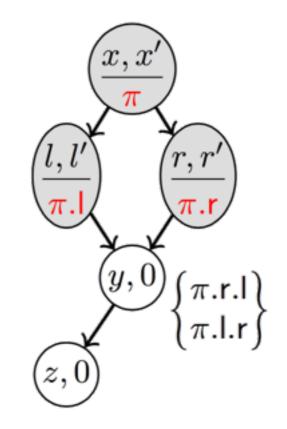
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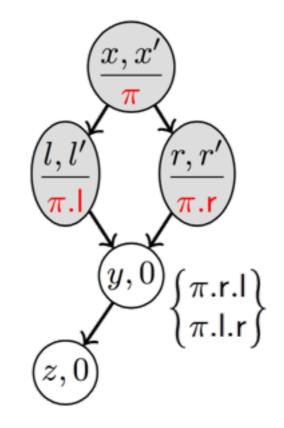
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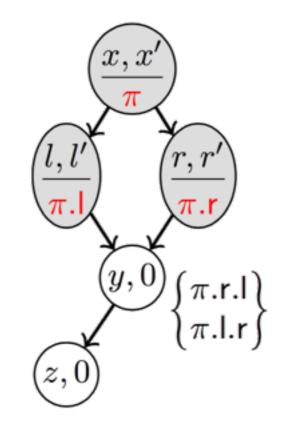
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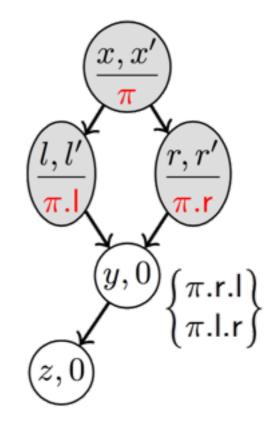
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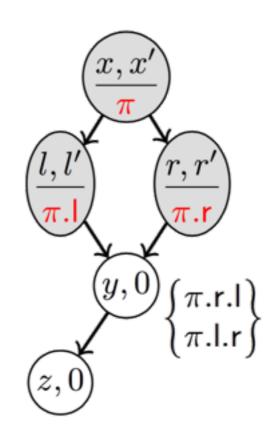
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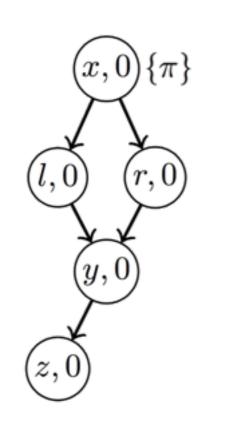
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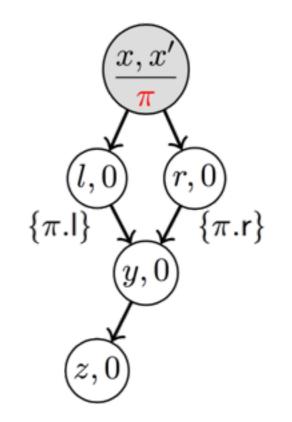
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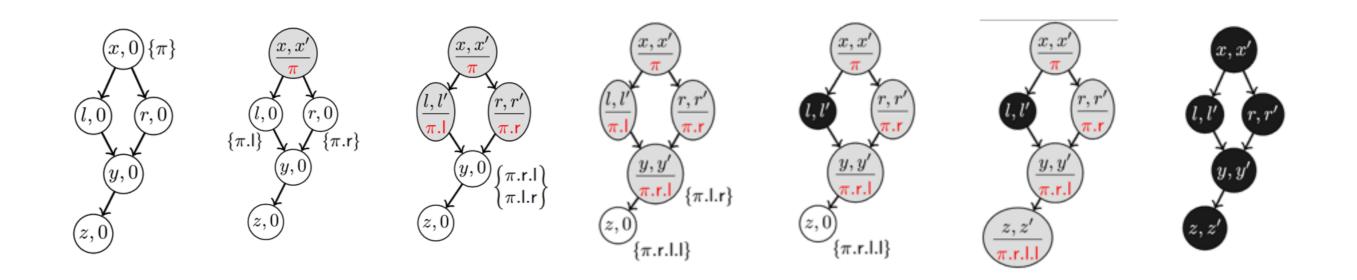
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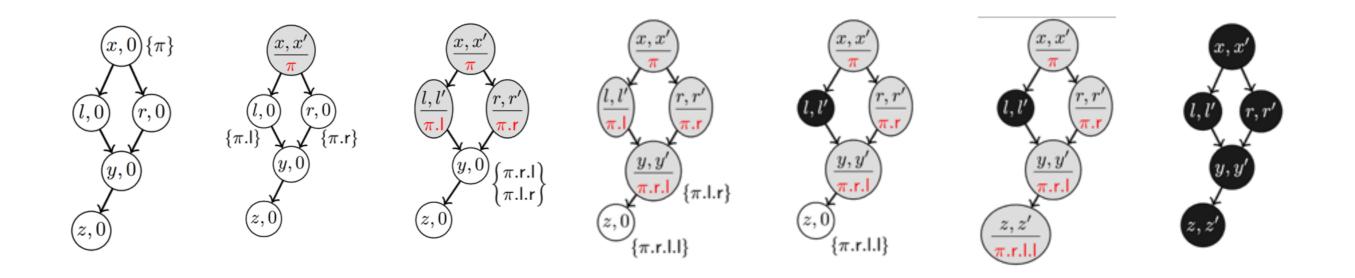
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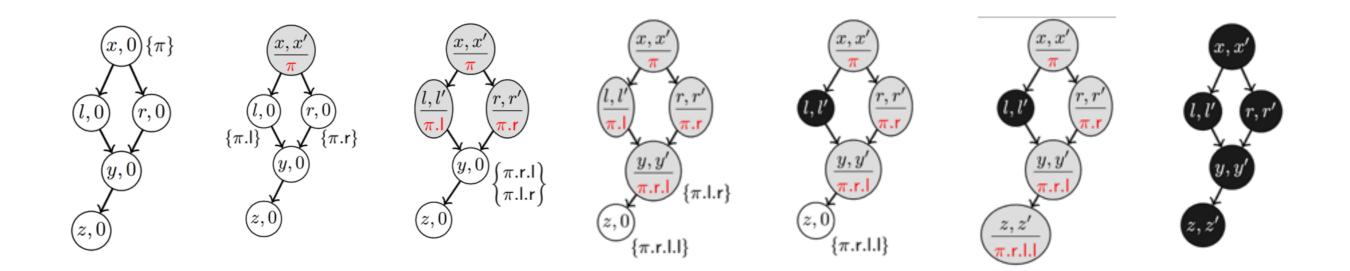
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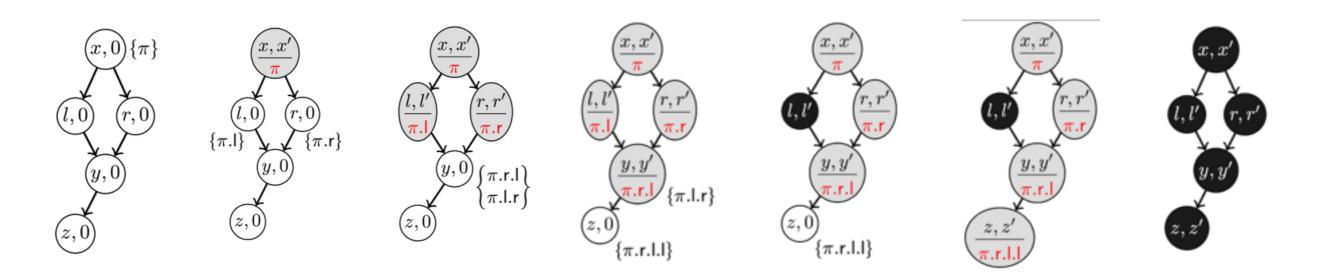
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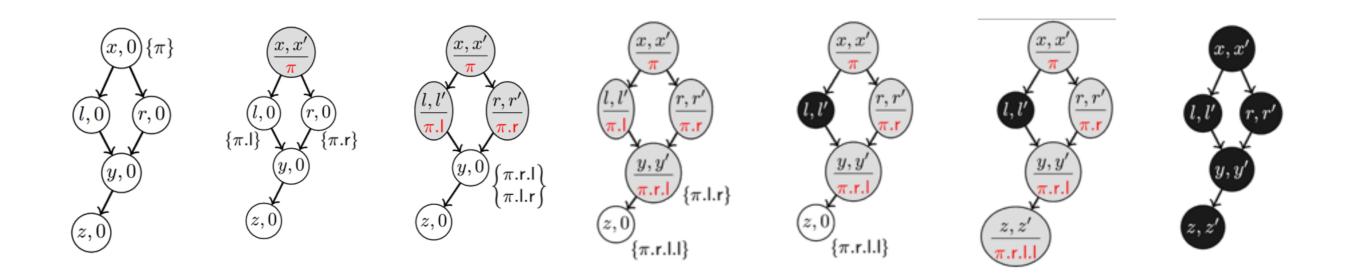
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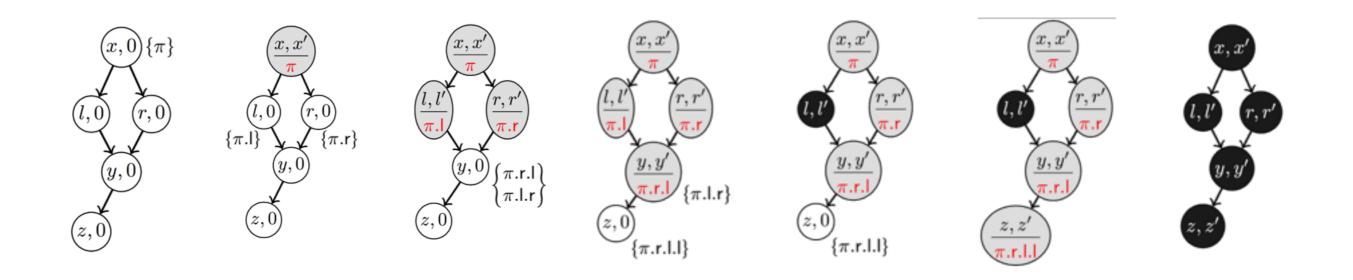
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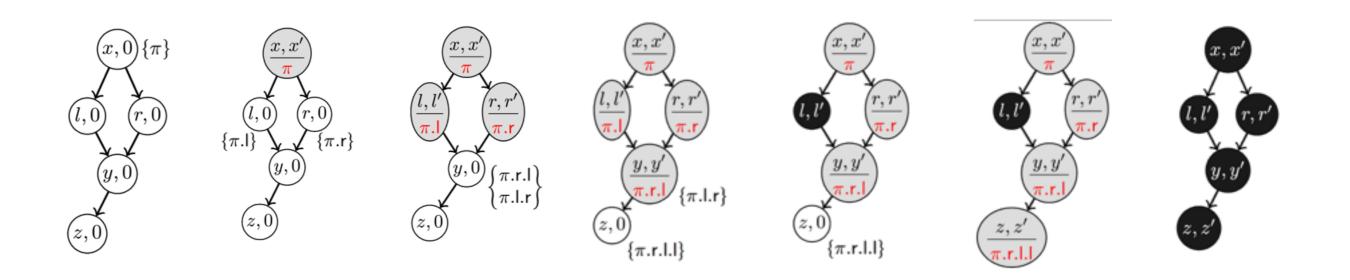
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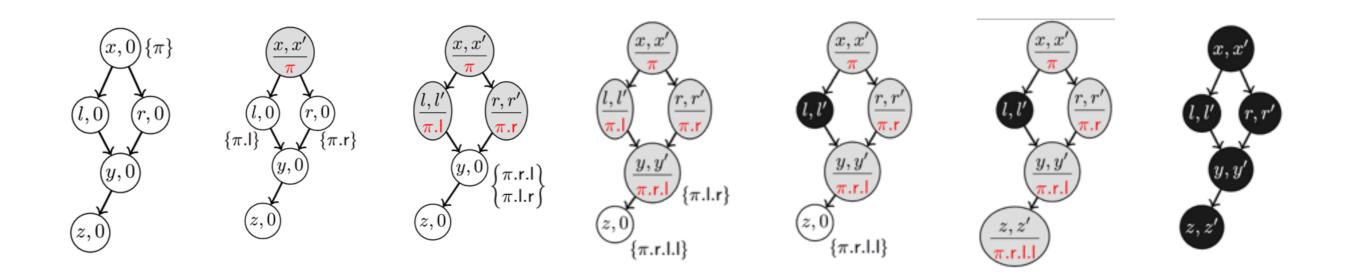
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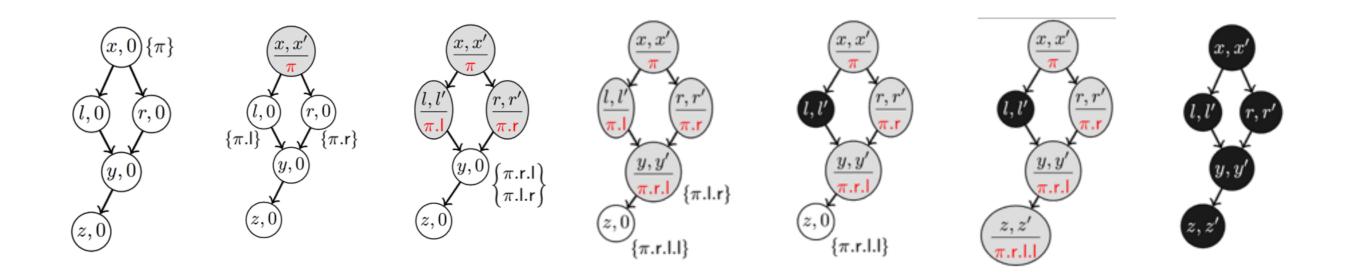


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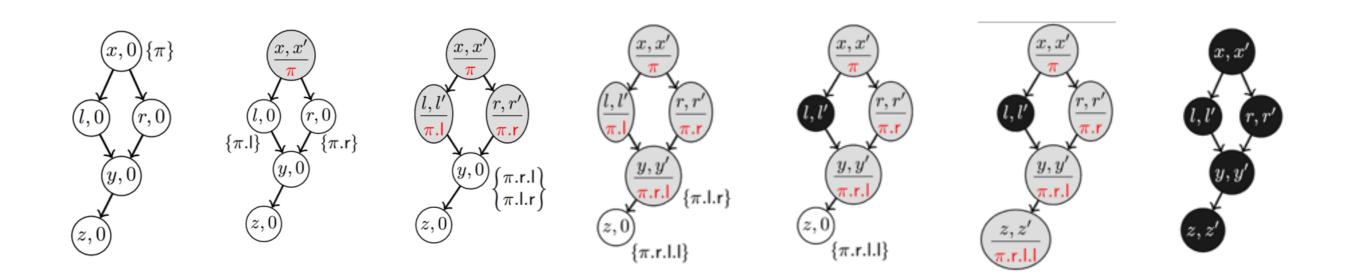
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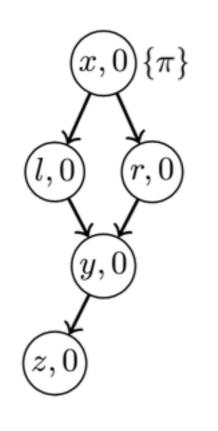
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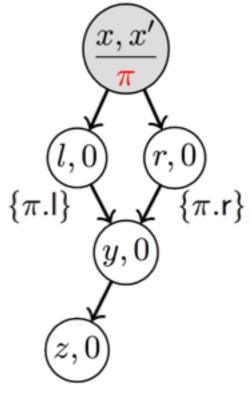
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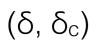
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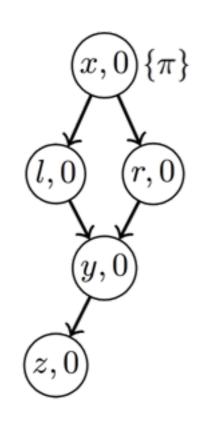




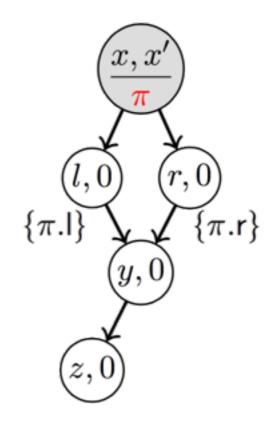


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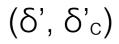


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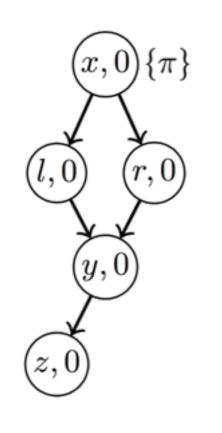


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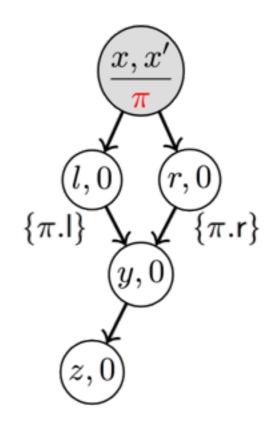




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  for (i=0; i<size; i++){</pre>
    c[i] = a[src][i]; work[i] = 1; done[i] = 0; //initialisation
  }; c[src] = 0;
  dijkstra(a,c,size,work,done) || ... || dijkstra(a,c,size,work,done)
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  while(done != 2^size-1){
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      for(j=0; j<size; j++){ newcost = cost + a[i][j]; b = true;</pre>
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