

Quantitative Analysis of Time Petri Nets Used for Modelling Biochemical Networks

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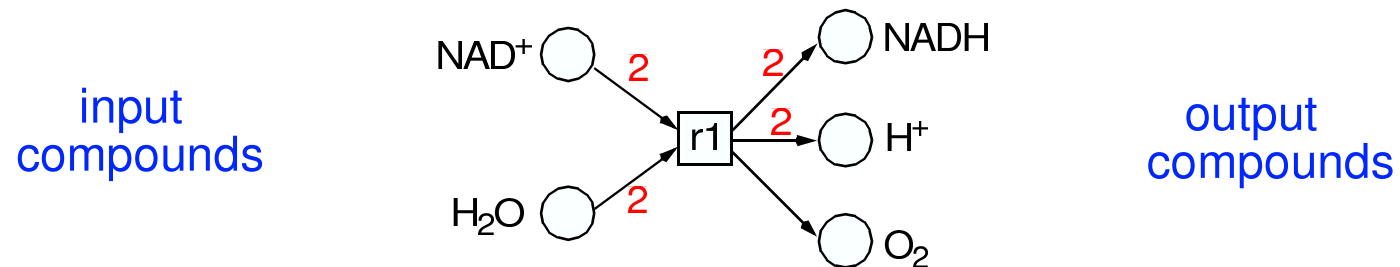
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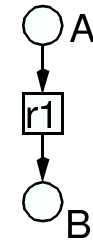
Conclusion



□ chemical reactions -> atomic actions -> Petri net transitions



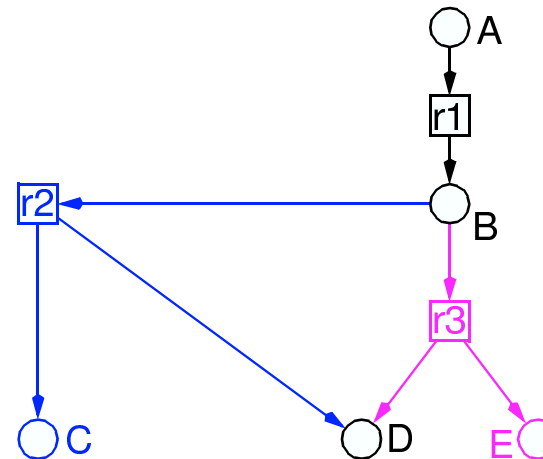
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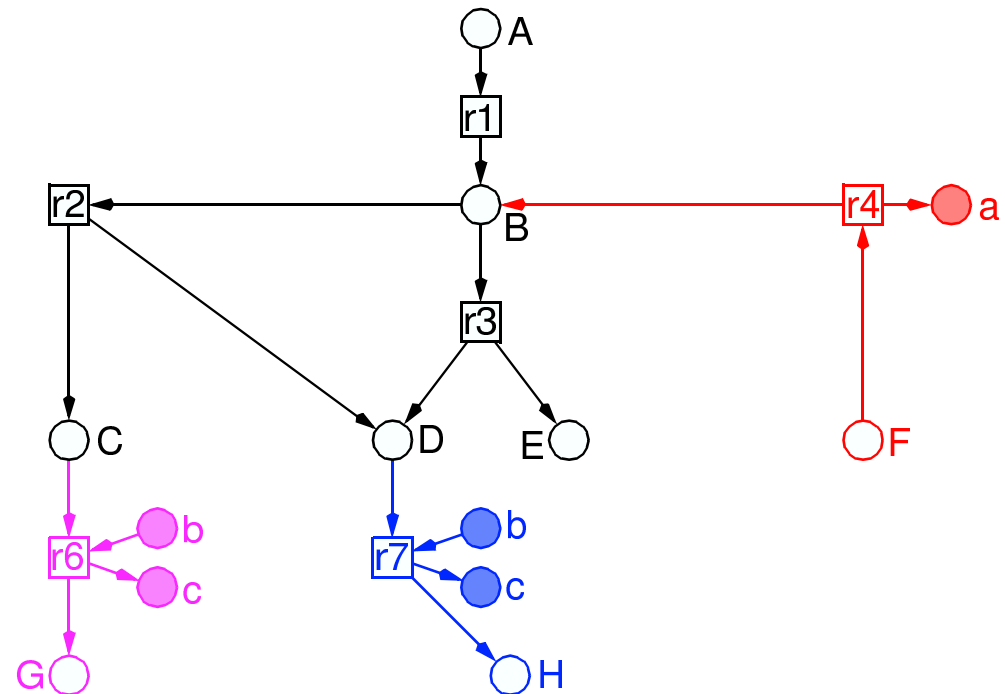
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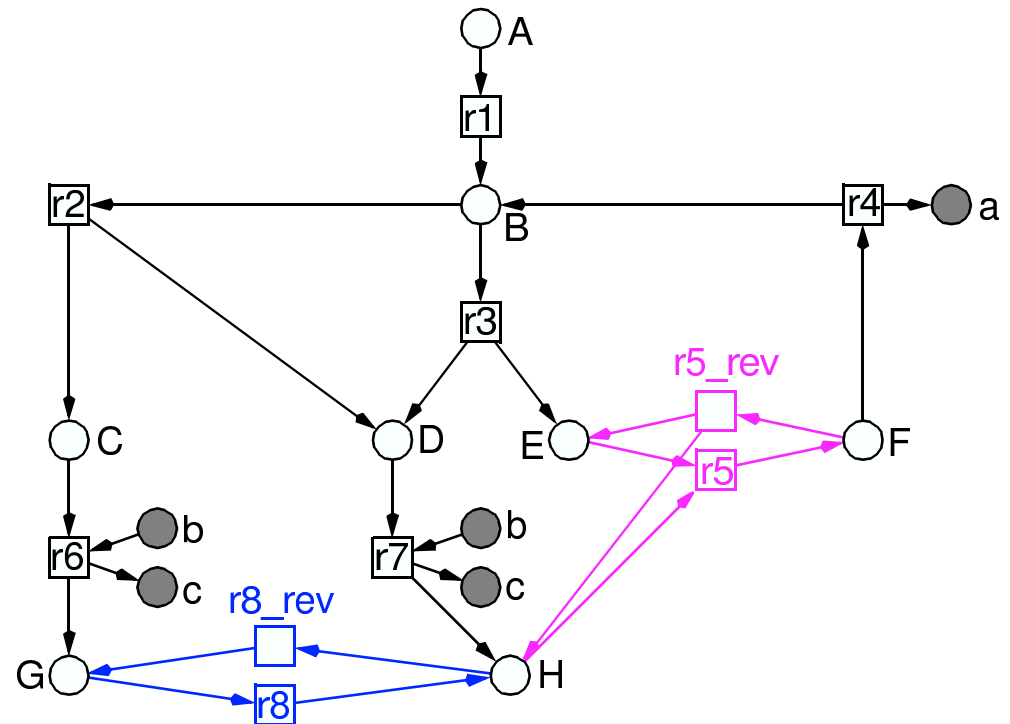
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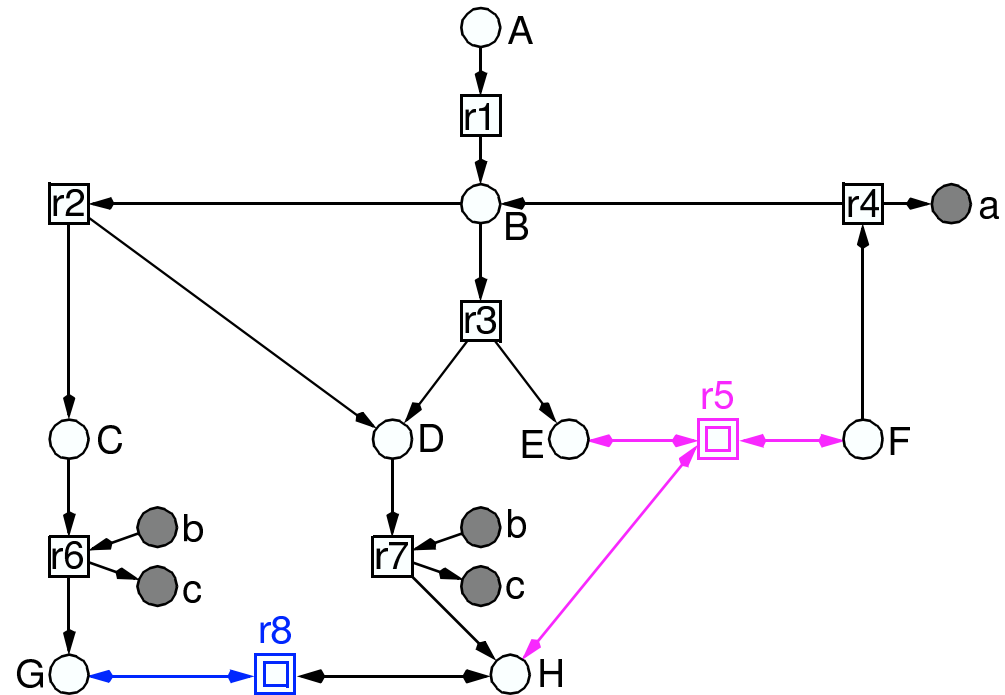
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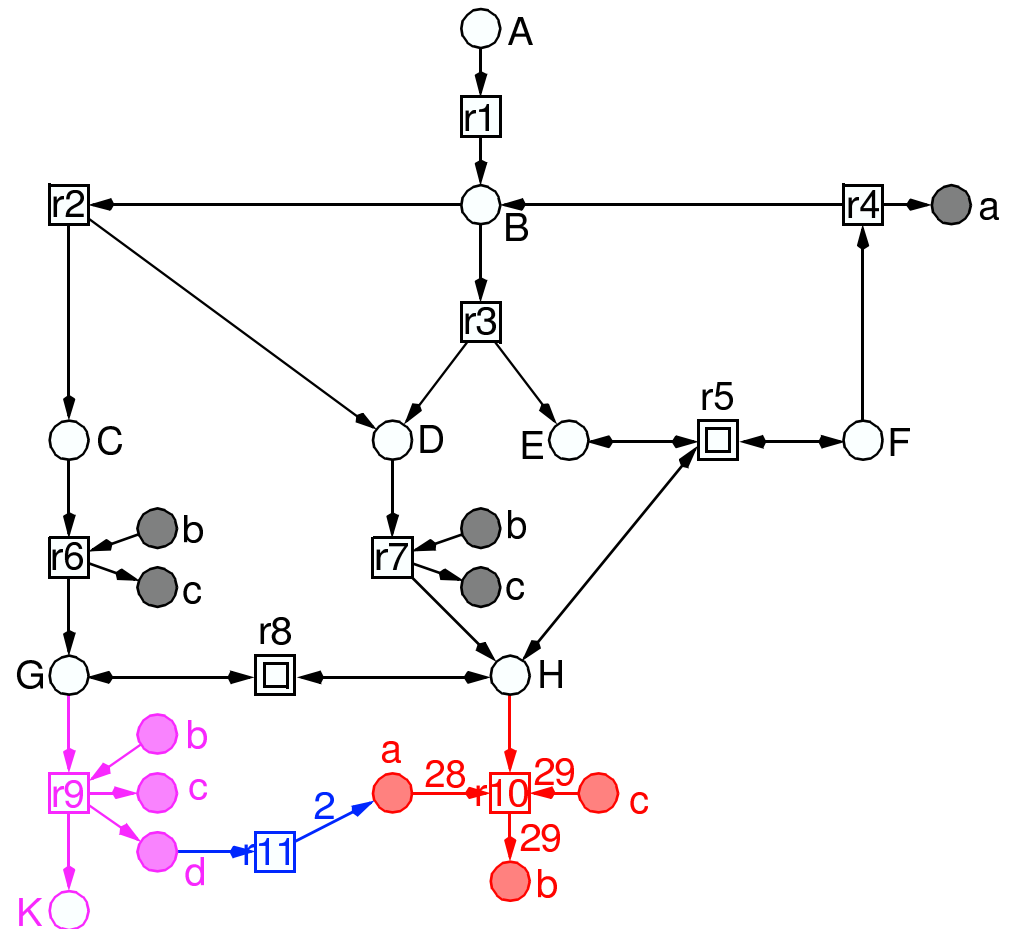
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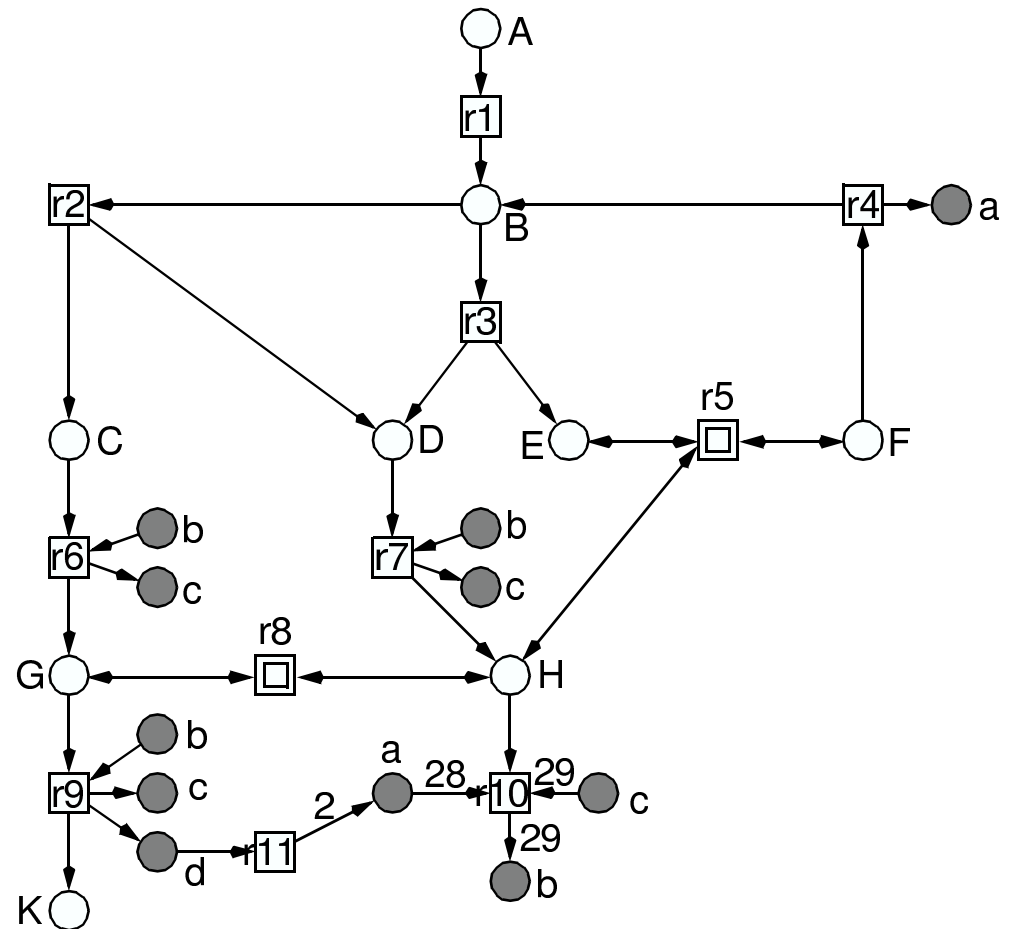
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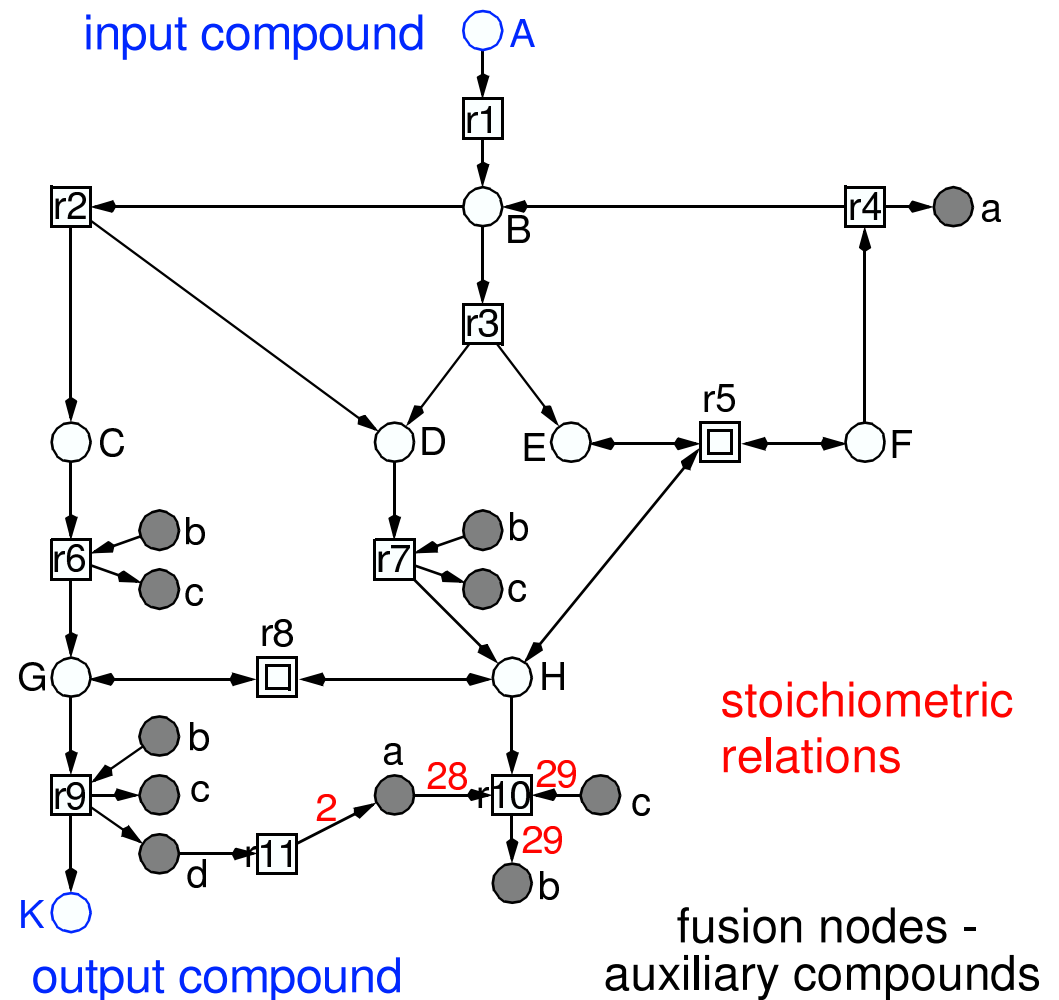
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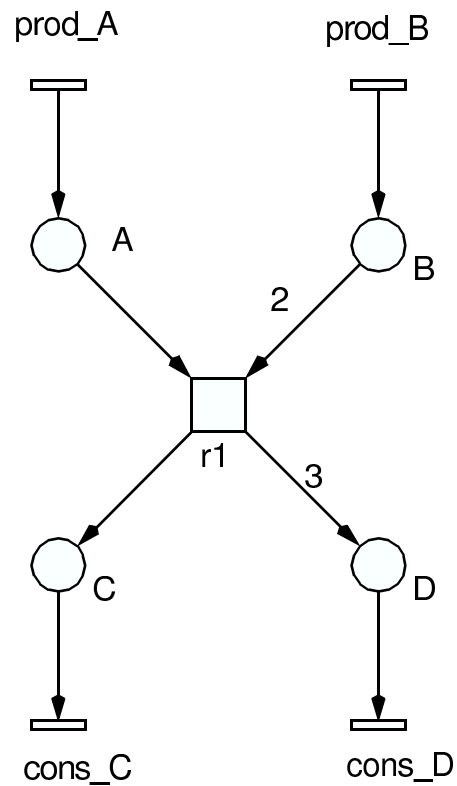
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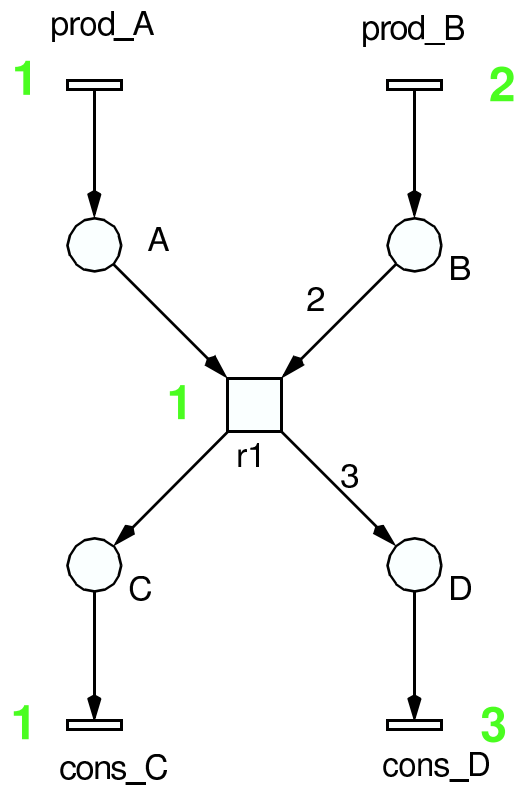




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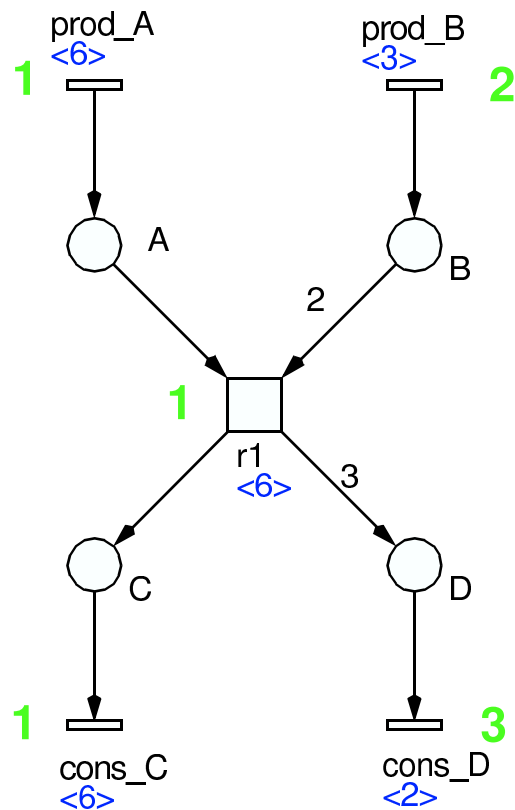


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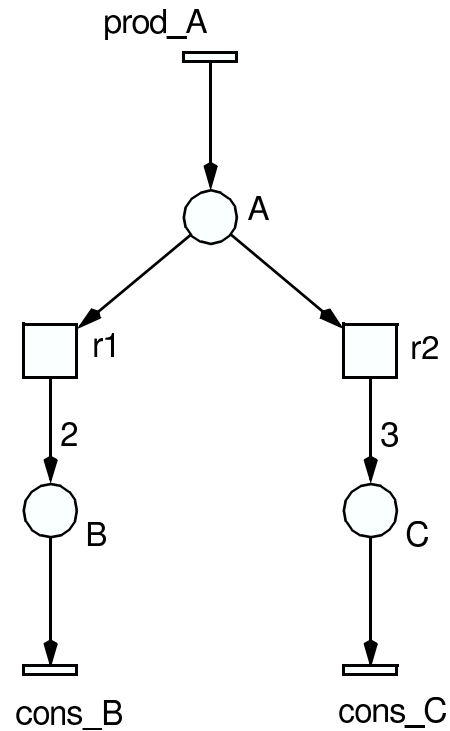


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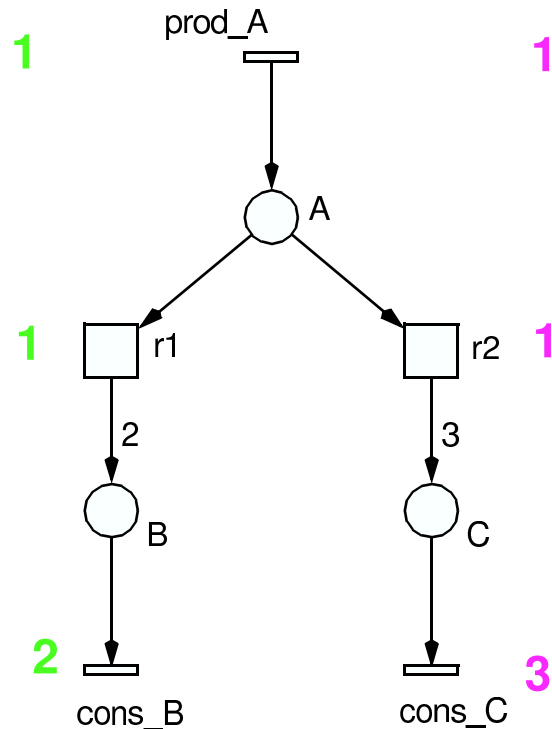
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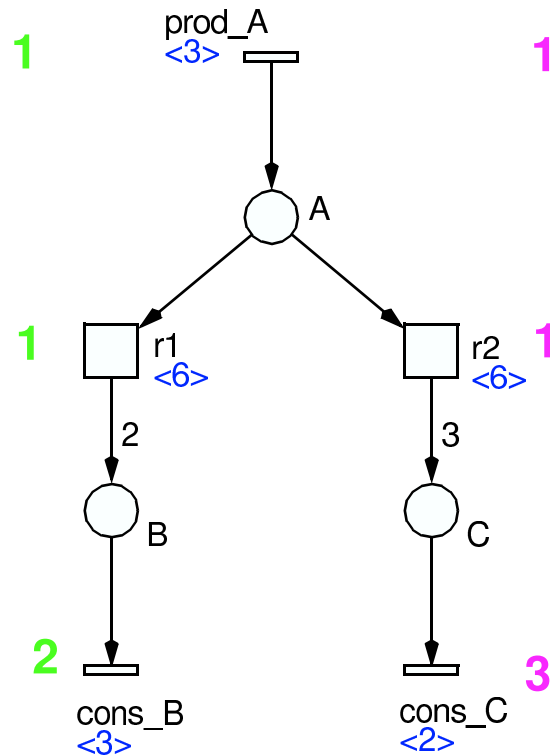


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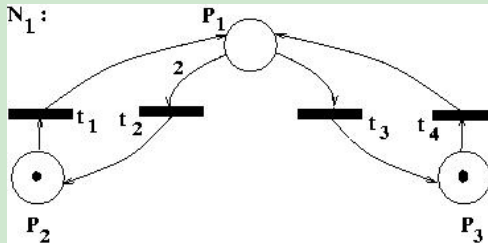
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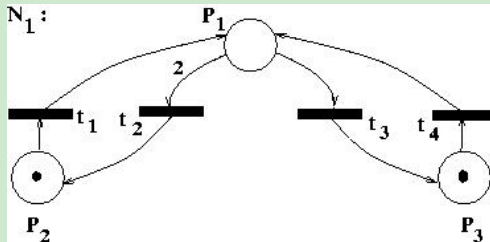
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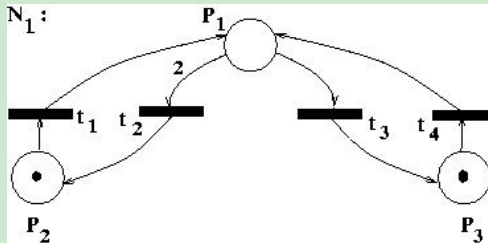
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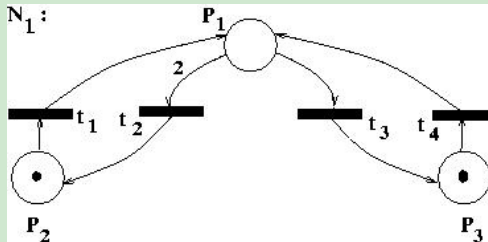
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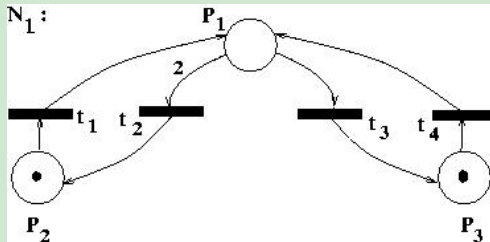
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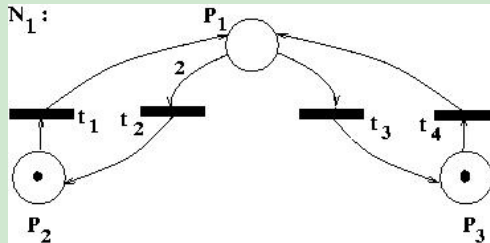
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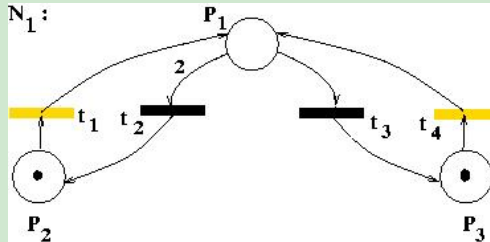
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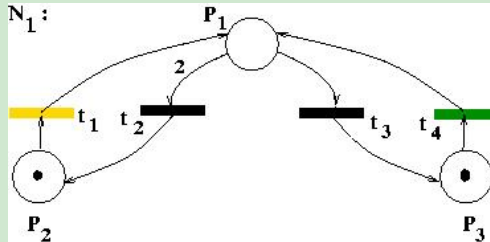
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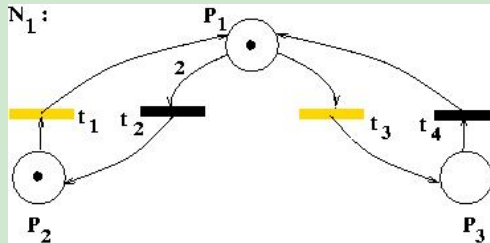
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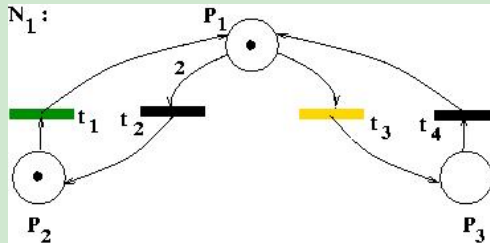
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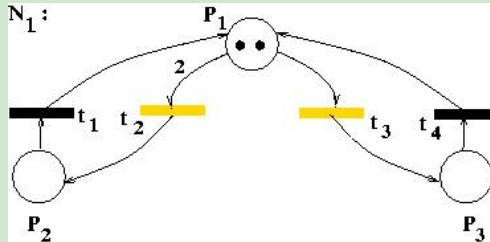
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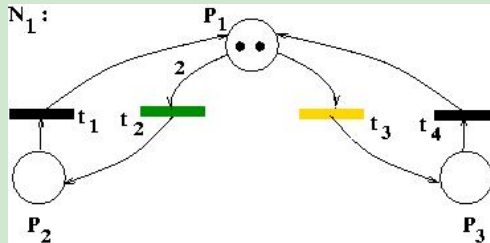
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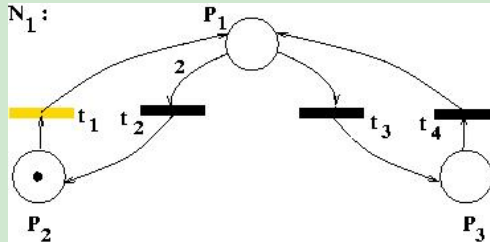
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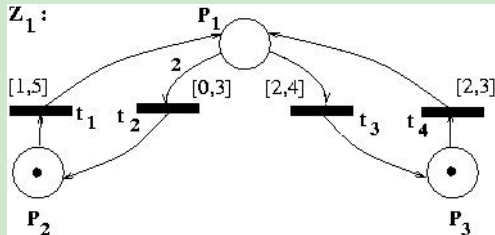
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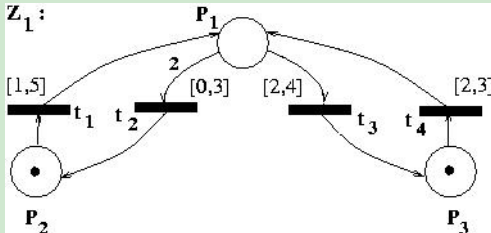
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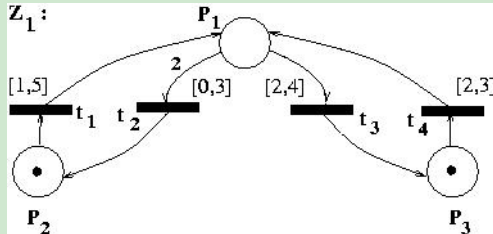


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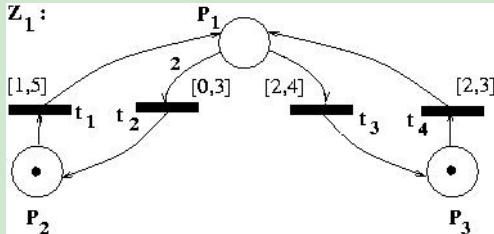
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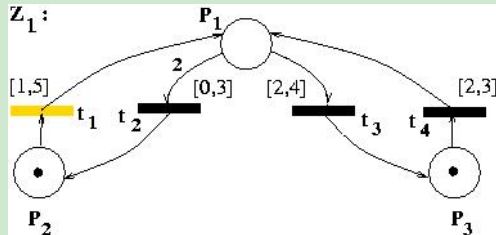
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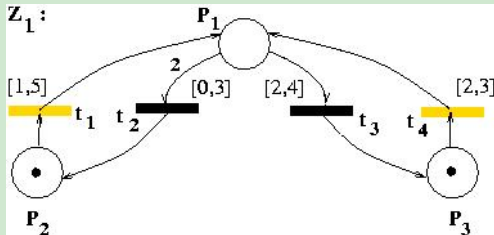
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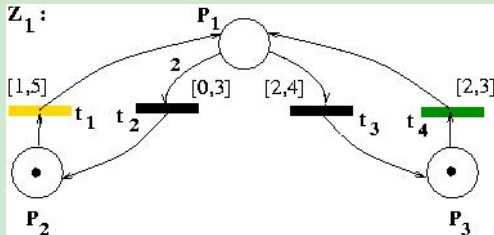
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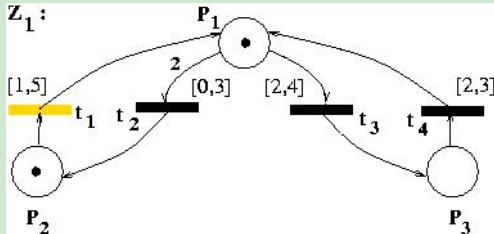
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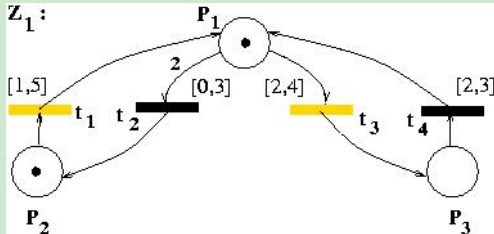
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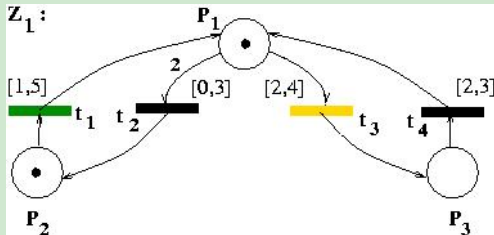
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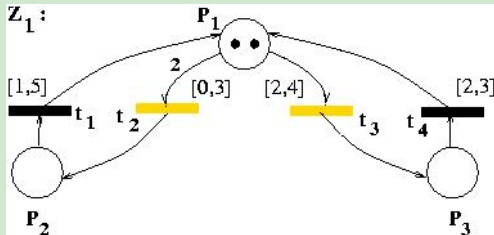
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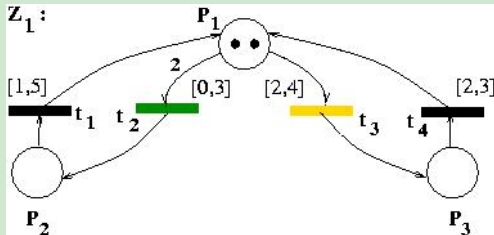
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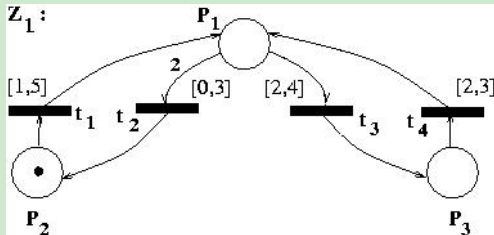
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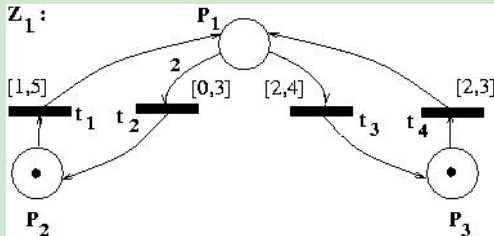
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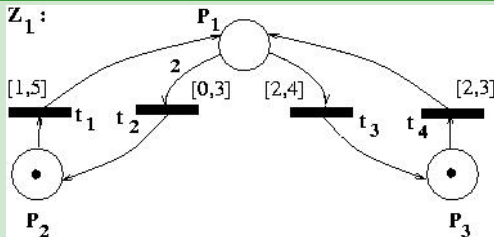
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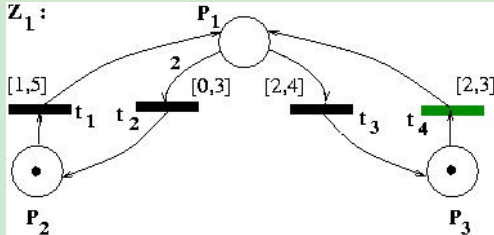


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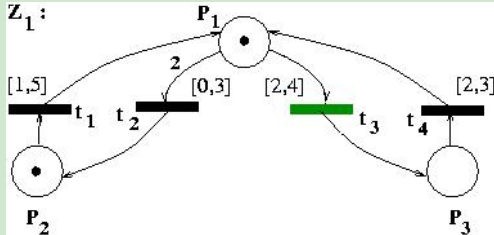
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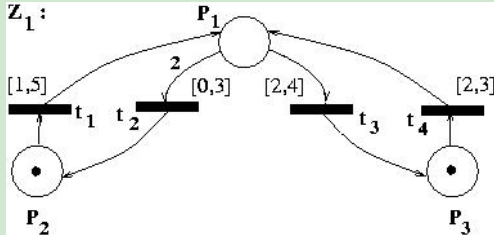
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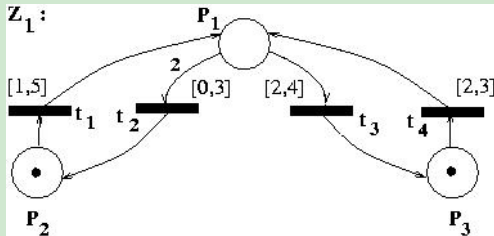
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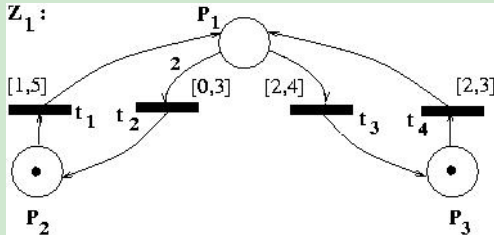


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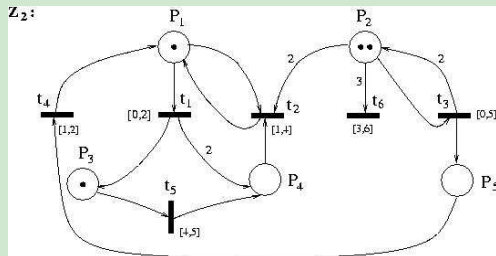
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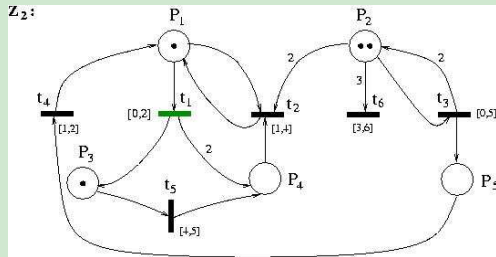
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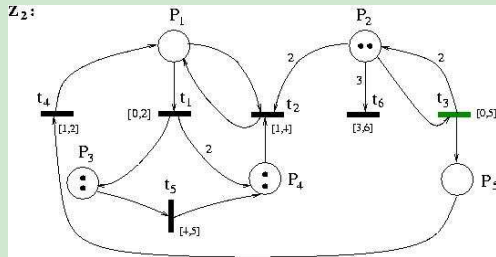
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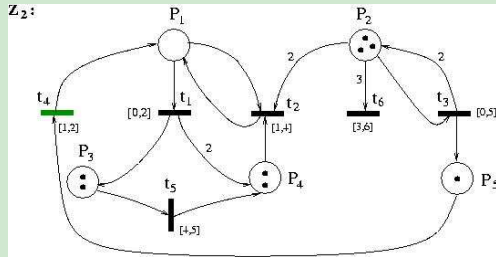
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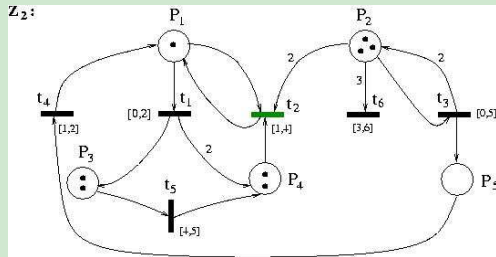
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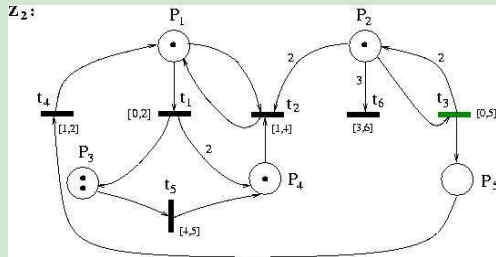
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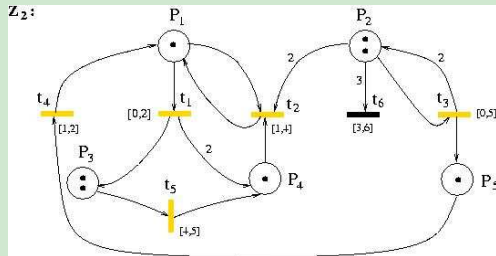
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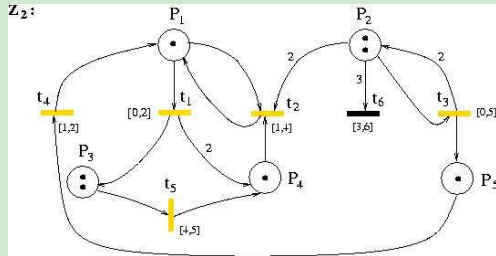
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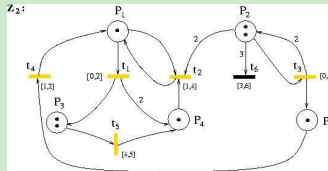
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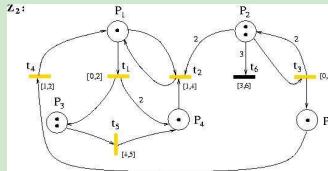


$$\Sigma_{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} x_4 + x_5 \\ x_5 \\ x_5 \\ x_5 \\ x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 \\ \# \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$



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$$B_{\sigma} = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 0 \leq x_0, & x_0 \leq 2, & x_0 + x_1 + x_2 \leq 5 \\ 0 \leq x_1, & x_2 \leq 2, & x_2 + x_3 \leq 5 \\ 1 \leq x_2, & x_3 \leq 2, & x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 5 \\ 1 \leq x_3, & x_4 \leq 2, & x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \leq 5 \\ 0 \leq x_4, & x_5 \leq 2, & x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 \leq 5 \\ 0 \leq x_5, & x_0 + x_1 \leq 5 & x_4 + x_5 \leq 2 \end{array} \right\}.$$



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Hence, the runs

$$\sigma(\tau_1^*) := z_0 \xrightarrow{1} \xrightarrow{t_1} \xrightarrow{0} \xrightarrow{t_3} \xrightarrow{1} \xrightarrow{t_4} \xrightarrow{1} \xrightarrow{t_2} \xrightarrow{0} \xrightarrow{t_3} \xrightarrow{1} [z]$$

and

$$\sigma(\tau_2^*) := z_0 \xrightarrow{1} \xrightarrow{t_1} \xrightarrow{0} \xrightarrow{t_3} \xrightarrow{0} \xrightarrow{t_4} \xrightarrow{2} \xrightarrow{t_2} \xrightarrow{0} \xrightarrow{t_3} \xrightarrow{2} [z]$$

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Remark: Theorem 3 can be generalized for all TPNs (applying a further reduction).



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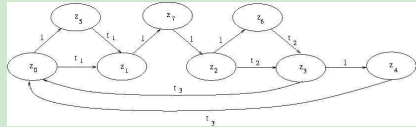
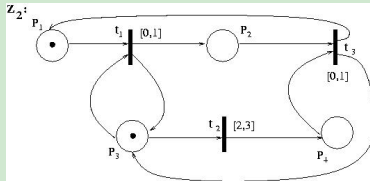
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$\implies$ The reachability graph is a weighted directed graph.

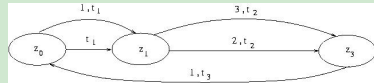
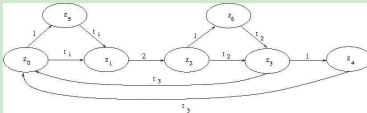


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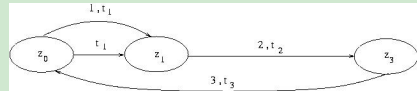
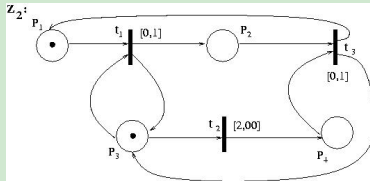
Example (A TPN Z and its full reachability graph $RG^{(1)}(Z)$)



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Example (The reachability graph $RG(Z_3)$)



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For **timeless PN**: σ is a feasible T-invariant iff
 $m = m + C \cdot \psi(\sigma)$ and $\psi(\sigma)$ - the Parikh-vektor of σ .
 $\implies$ easy to be found.



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Remark: The reachability graph of a TPN is not used for computing the feasible T-invariants of Z



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Output: min / max-length of σ .

Solution: Solve a linear program in $\mathbb{R}_0^+$.
(Actually, the solution is in $\mathbb{N}$.)



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 λ is an arbitrary real number.
- Output:** Existence of a fixed I and a run $\sigma(\tau)$ in Z
and the length of $\sigma(\tau) \leq \lambda$?
- Solution:** Solve a linear program in $\mathbb{Q}_0^+$.



Result 5:

- Input:** The time function l is not fixed,
 $\sigma_1 = (\sigma, t')$ is a arbitrary t-sequence and
 $\sigma_2 = (\sigma, t'')$ is a arbitrary t-sequence.
- Output:** Existence of a fixed l so that σ_1 is feasible in Z
and σ_2 is not feasible in Z ?
- Solution:** Solve

$$\underbrace{\max\{\langle c', x \rangle \mid A' \cdot x \leq b'\}}_{\text{linear program in } \mathbb{Q}_0^+} < \underbrace{\min\{\langle c'', x \rangle \mid A'' \cdot x \leq b''\}}_{\text{linear program in } \mathbb{Q}_0^+}.$$



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The running time is polynomial, too.



Definition

The **longest path** between two states (vertices in $RG(Z)$) z and z' is $lp(z, z')$ with

$$lp(z, z') := \begin{cases} \infty & , \text{ if a cycle is reachable starting on } z \\ \max_{\sigma(\tau)} \sum \tau_i & , \text{ if } z \xrightarrow{\sigma(\tau)} z' \end{cases}$$



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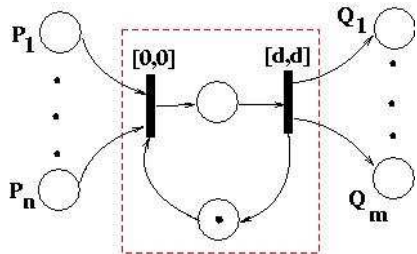
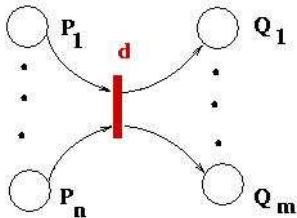
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Transformation Timed PN $\longrightarrow$ Time PN



Conclusion

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$BN \Rightarrow \text{modelling} \Rightarrow PN \Rightarrow \text{modelling of steady state} \Rightarrow$

$DPN \Rightarrow \text{analysing} \Rightarrow TPN$

- experimental approach

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