

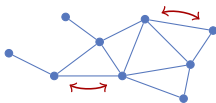
Distributed Maintenance of Anytime Available Spanning Trees in Dynamic Networks

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Distributed Computing



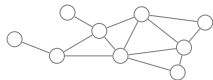
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No centralization available. Direct interaction only.

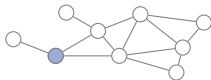
(Think globally, act locally)

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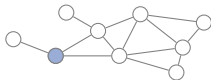


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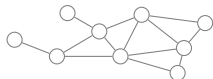
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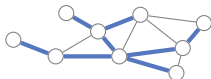
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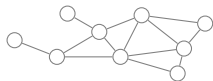


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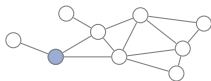


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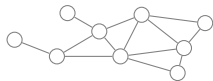
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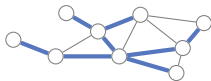
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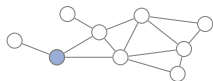
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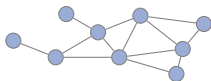
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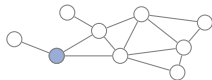
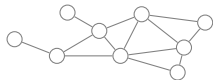


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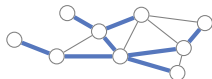
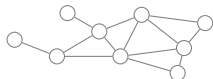
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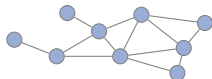
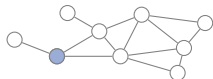
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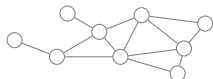
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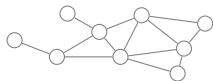
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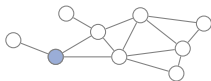
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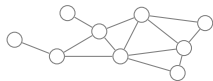
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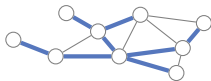
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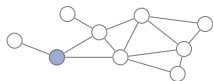
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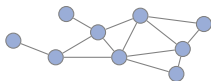
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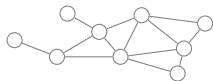
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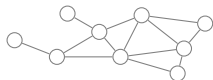
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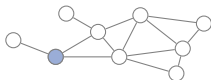
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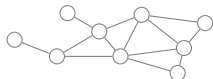
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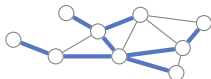
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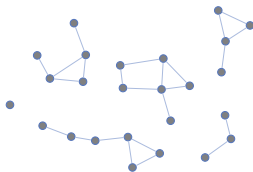


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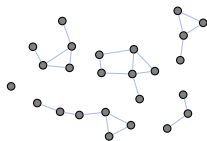
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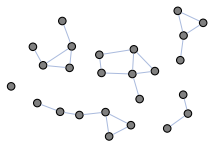
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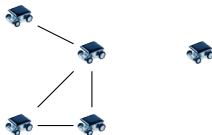
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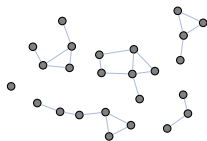
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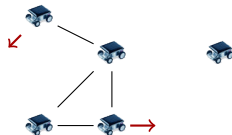
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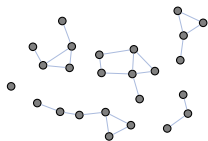
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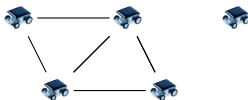
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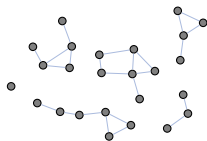
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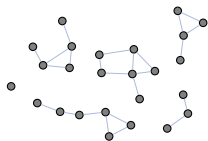
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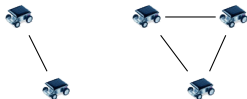
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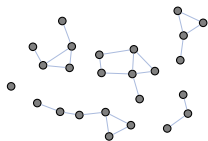
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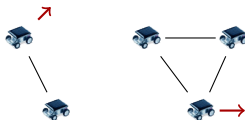
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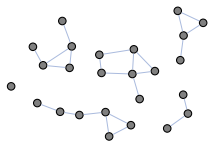
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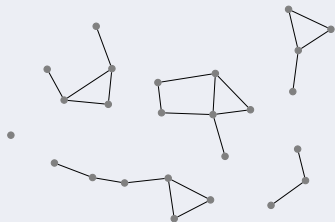
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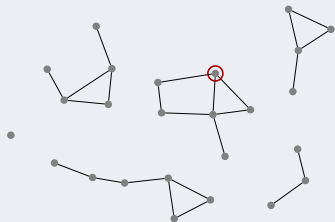
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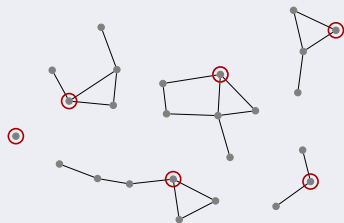
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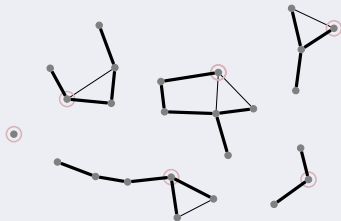
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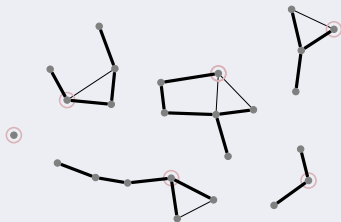
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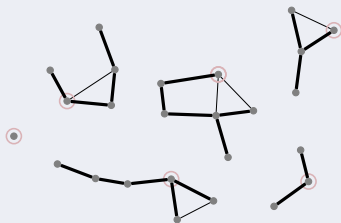
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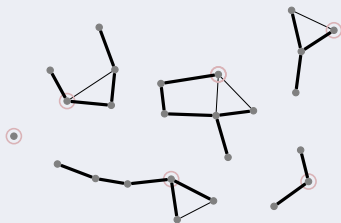
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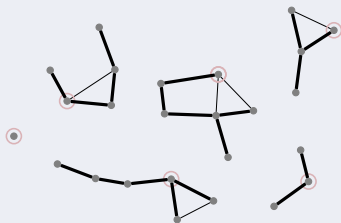
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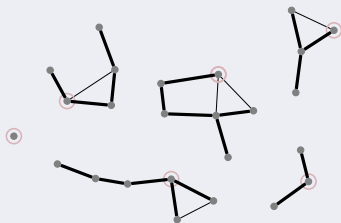
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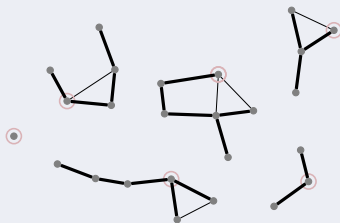
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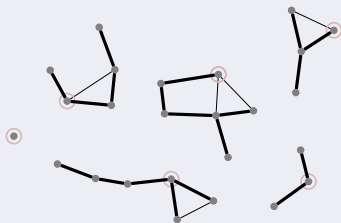
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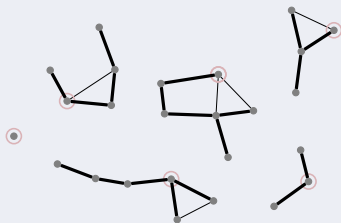
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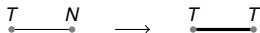
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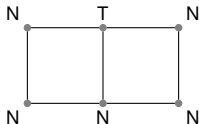
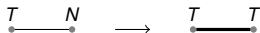
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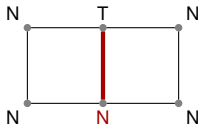
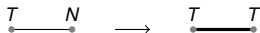
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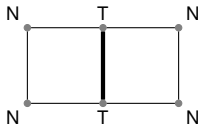
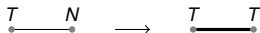
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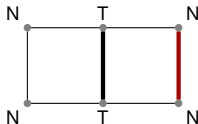
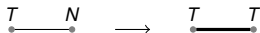
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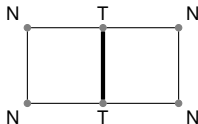
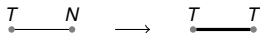
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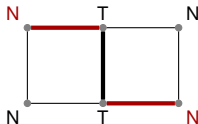
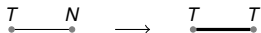
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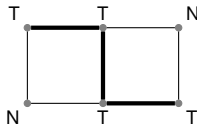
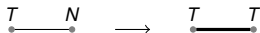
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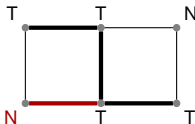
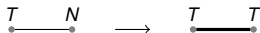
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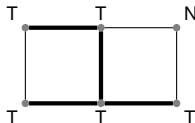
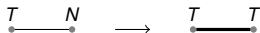
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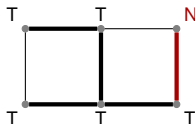
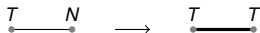
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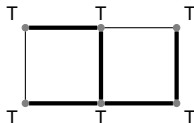
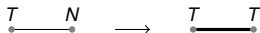
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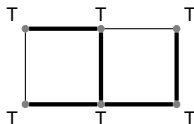
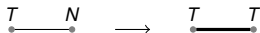
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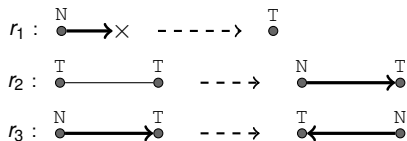
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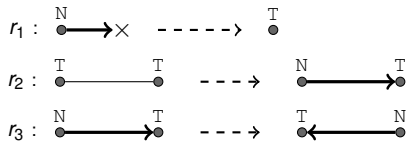
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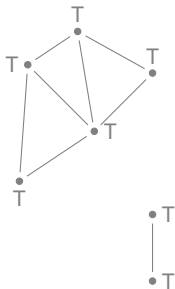


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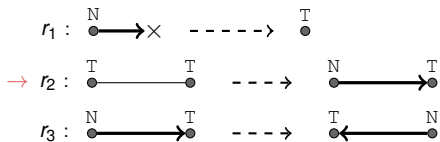
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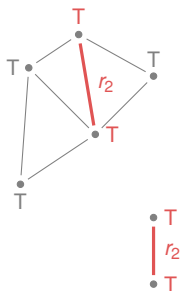
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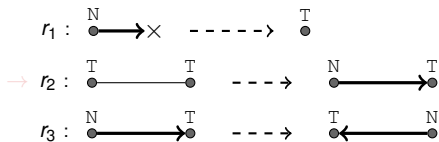
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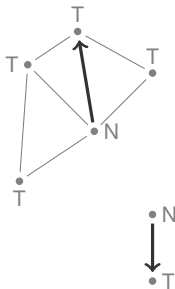


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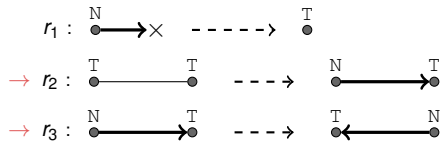
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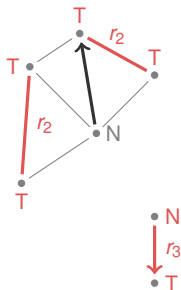


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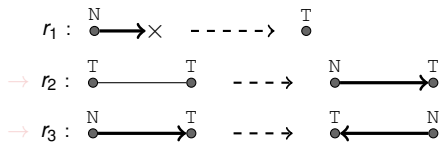
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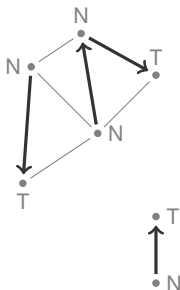


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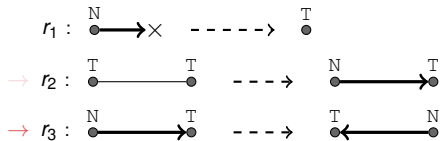
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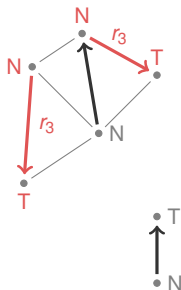


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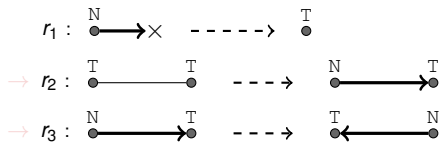
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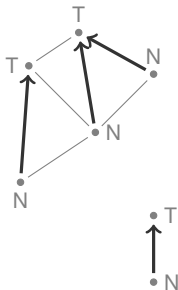
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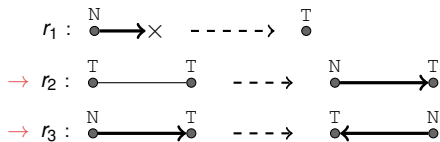
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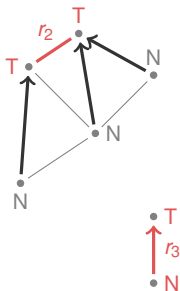


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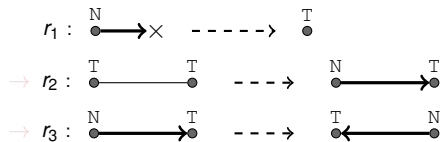
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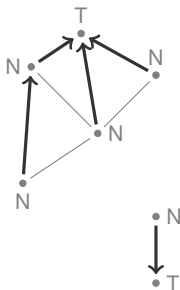


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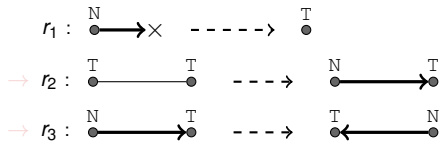
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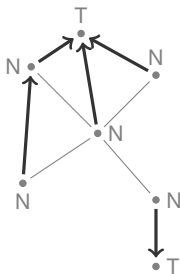
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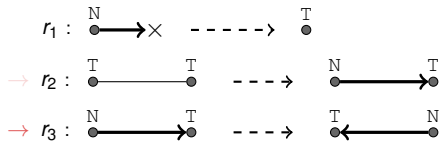
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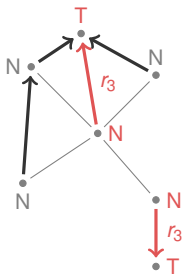
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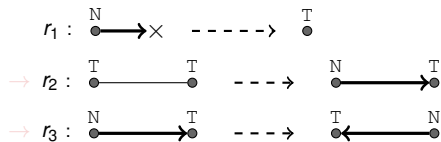
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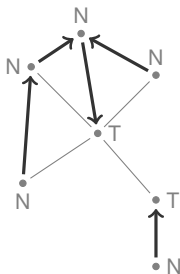


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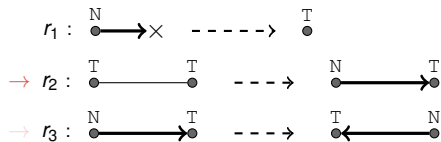
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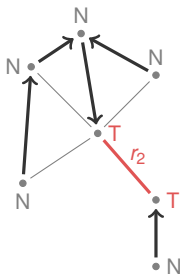


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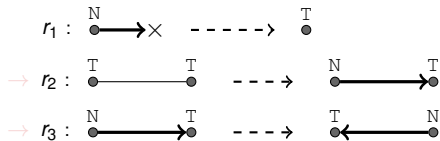
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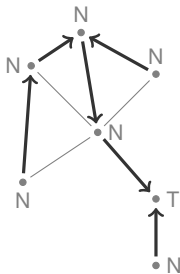


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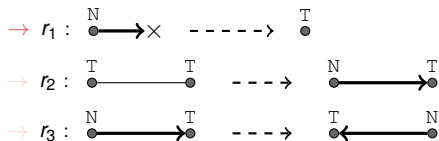
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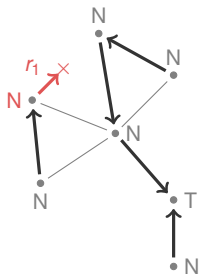


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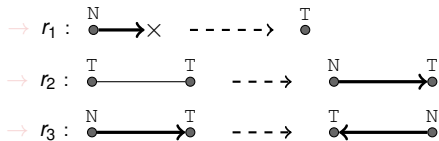
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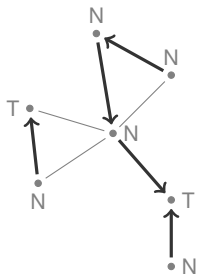
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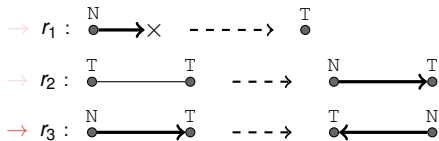
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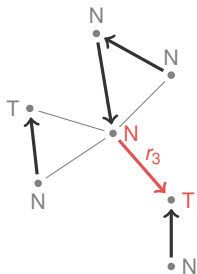


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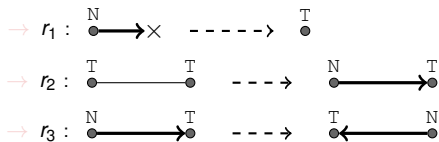
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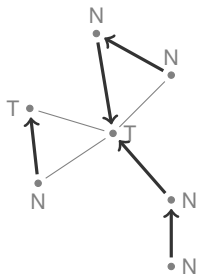


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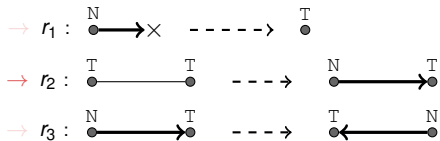
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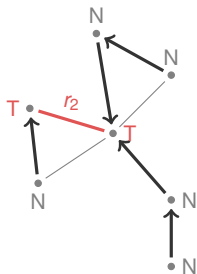


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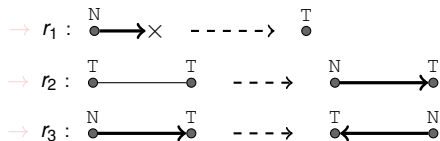
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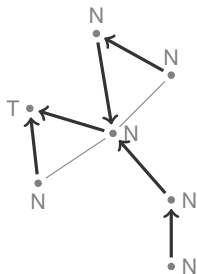


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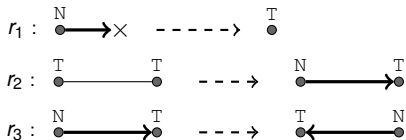
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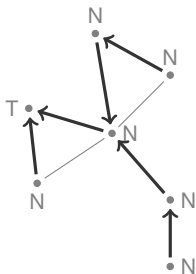


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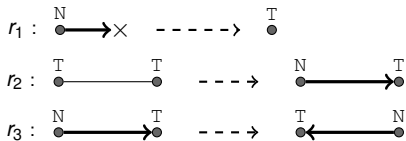
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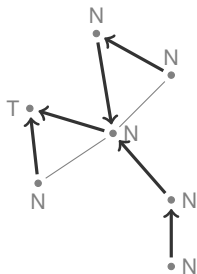


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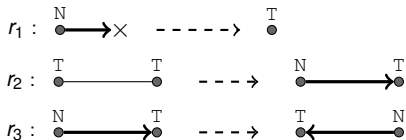
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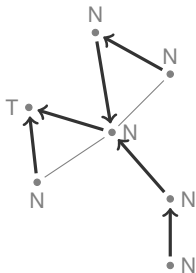


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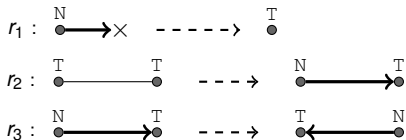
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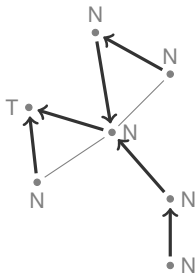


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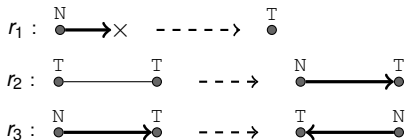
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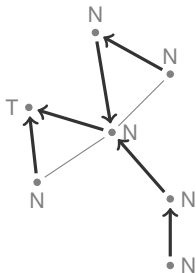


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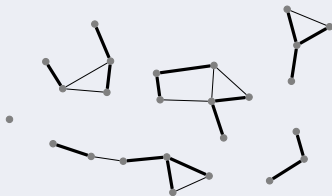
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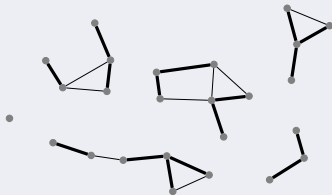
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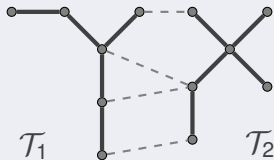
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Preliminary elements

(merging time between two static trees)



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