

Optimizing the steady-state throughput of scatter and reduce operations on heterogeneous platforms

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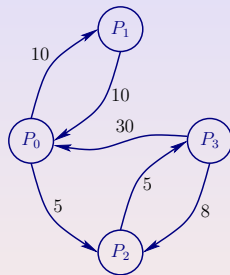
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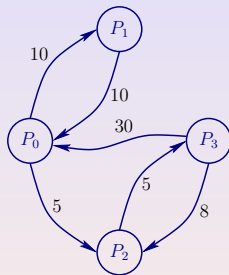
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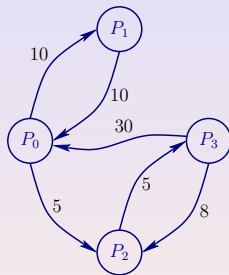
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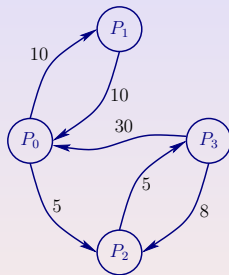
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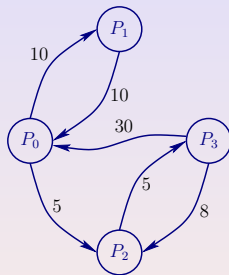
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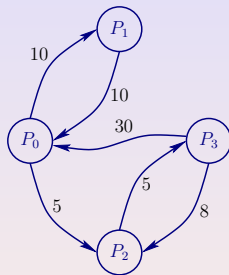
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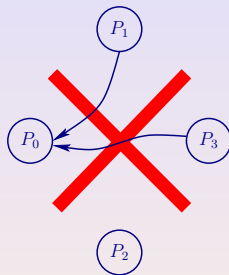
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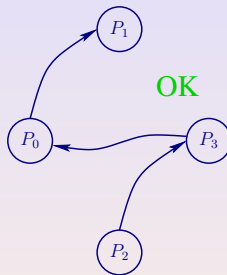
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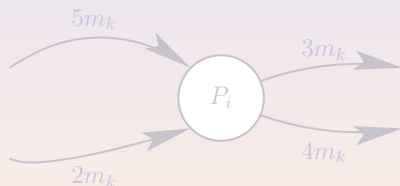
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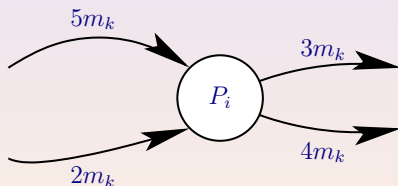
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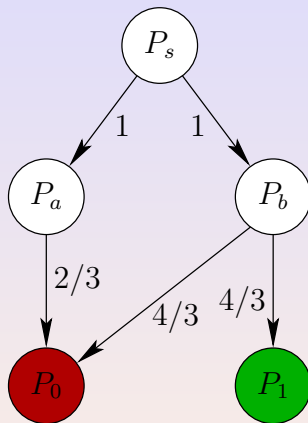
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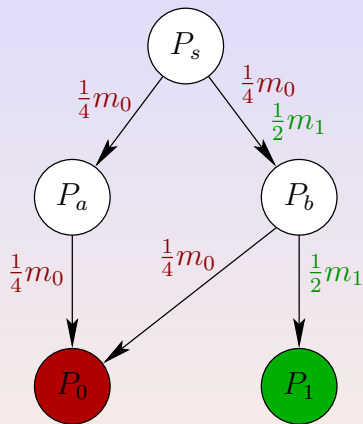
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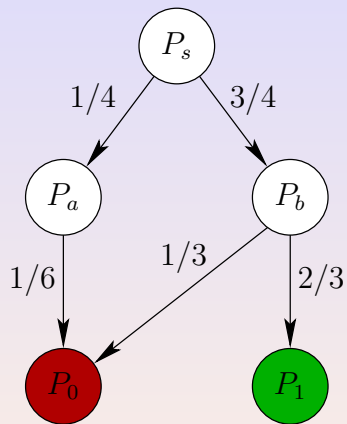
platform graph (edges labeled with $c(i, j)$)

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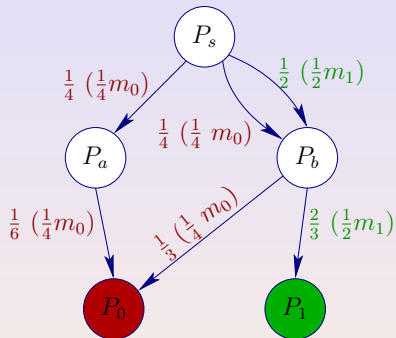
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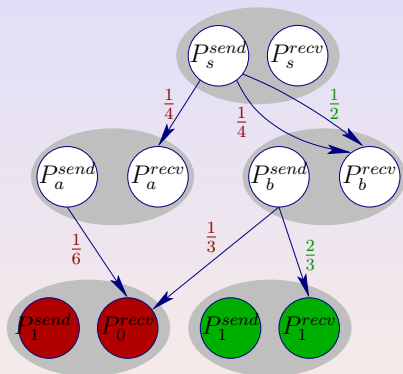
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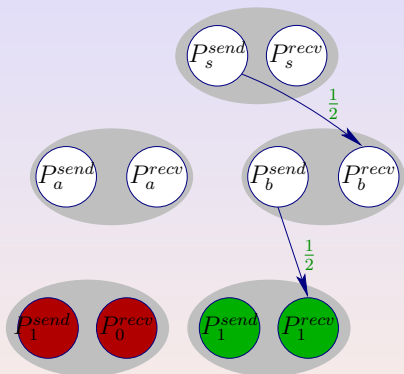
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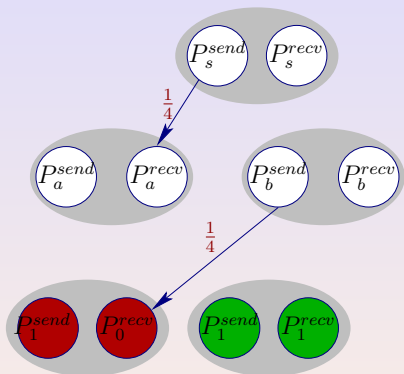
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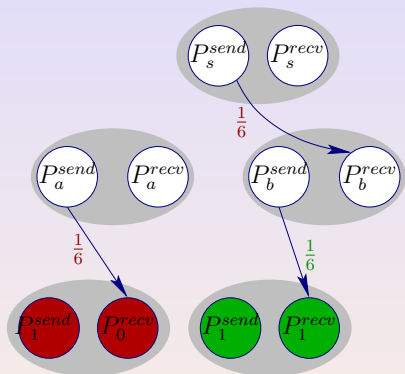
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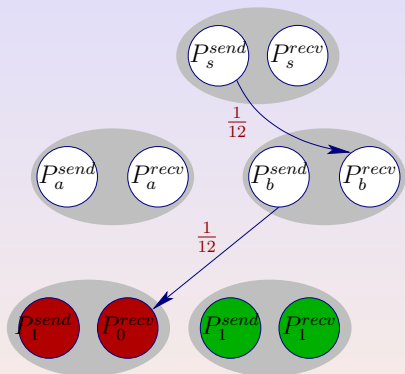
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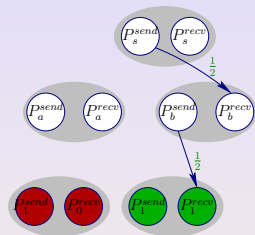


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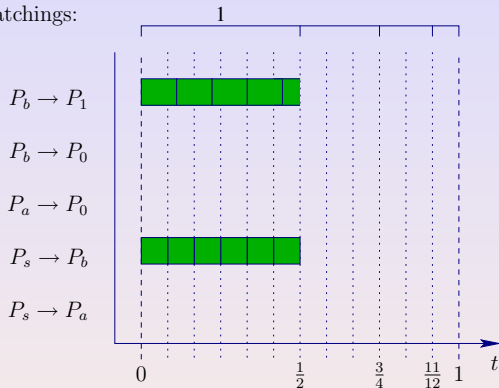
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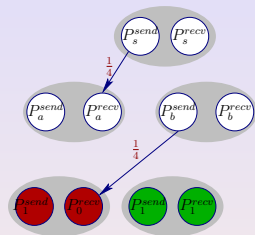


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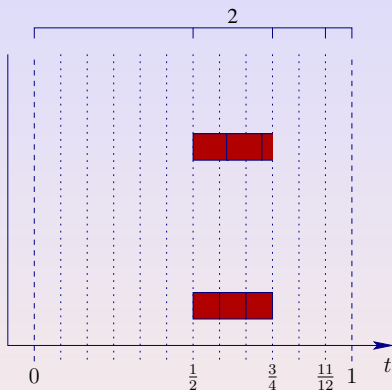
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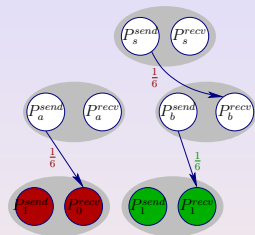
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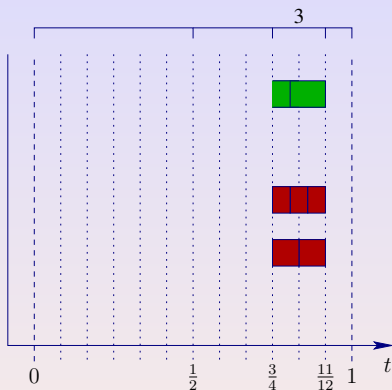
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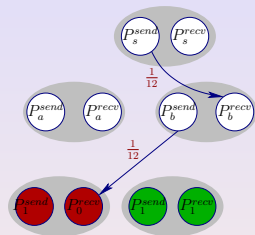
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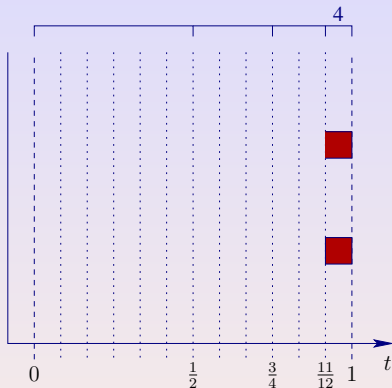
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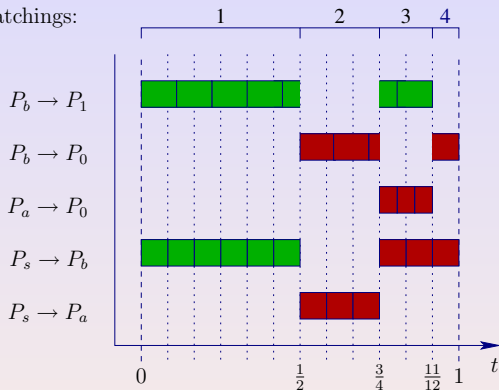
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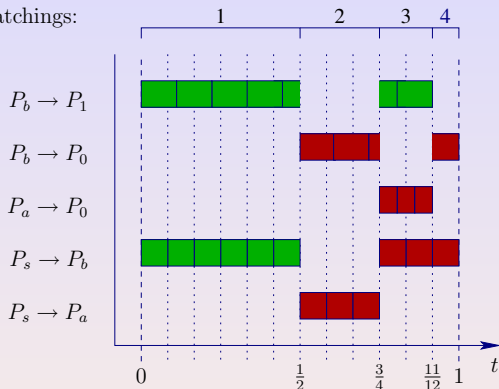
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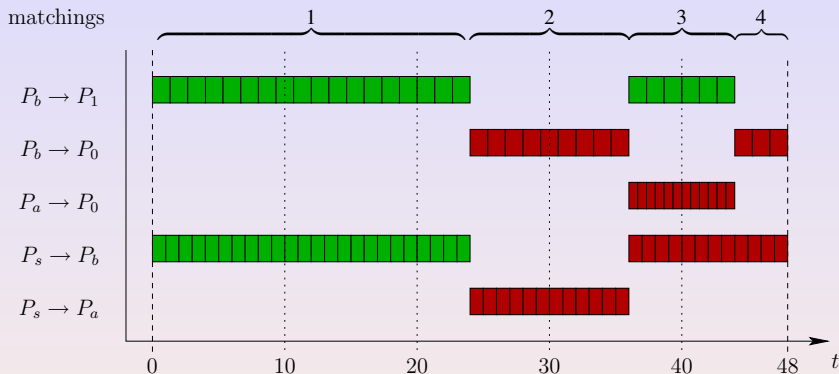
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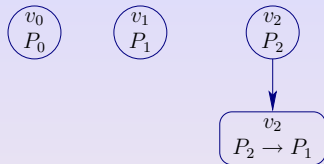
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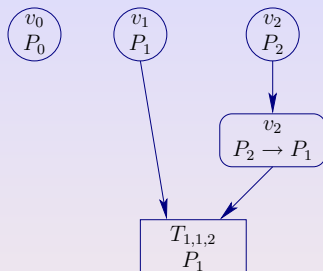
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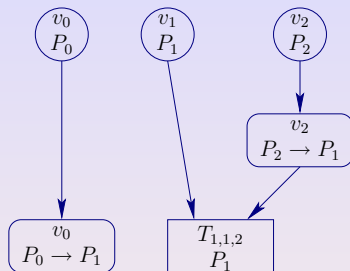
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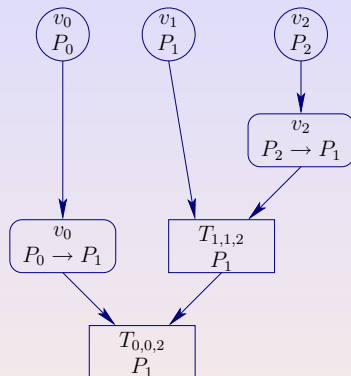
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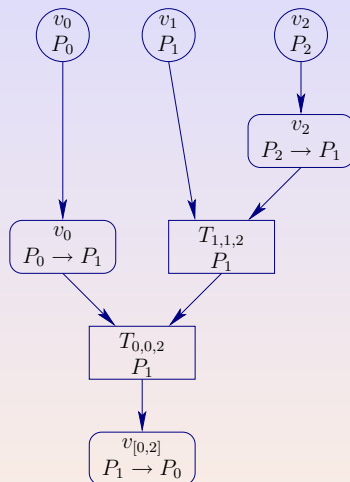
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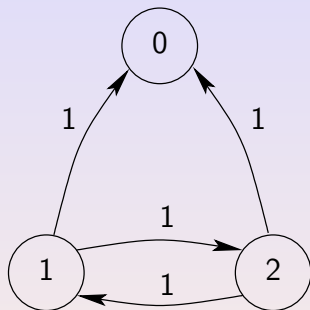
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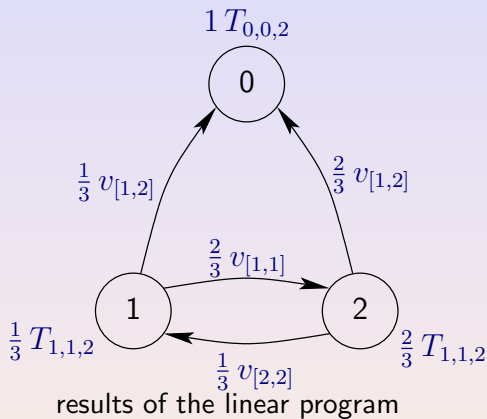
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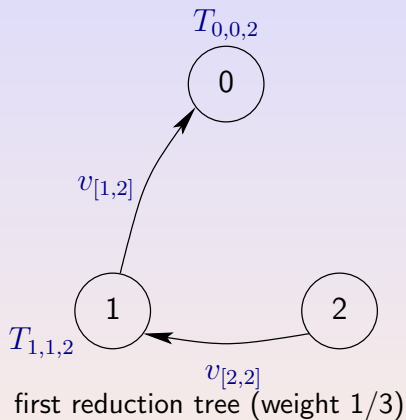


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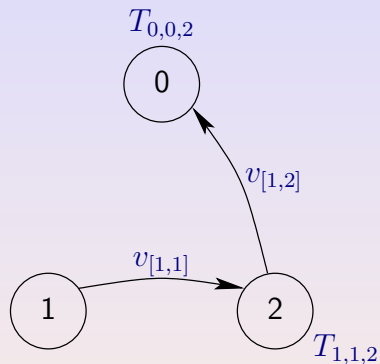
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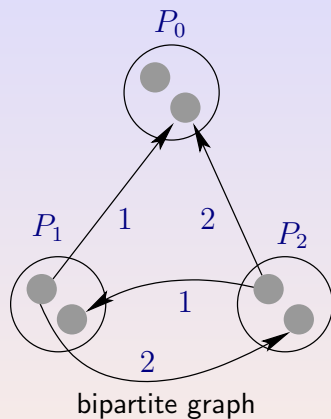


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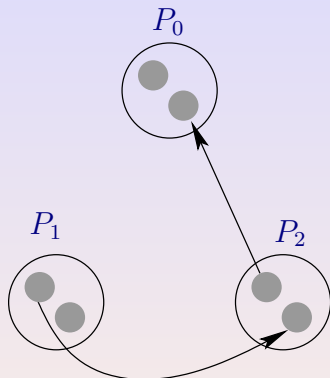


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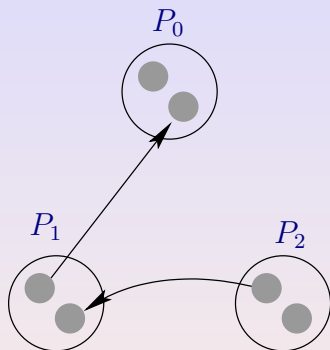


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- ▶ relaxation, use of linear programming
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