

International Doctoral School Algorithmic Decision Theory: MCDA and MOO

Lecture 4: Multiobjective Combinatorial Optimization

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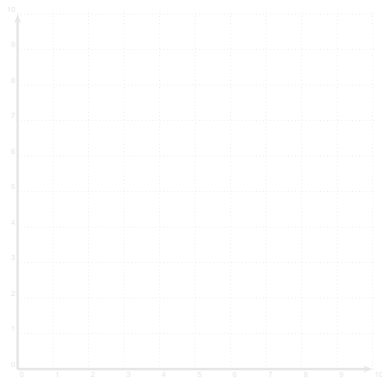
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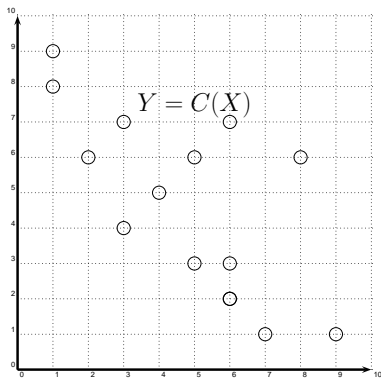
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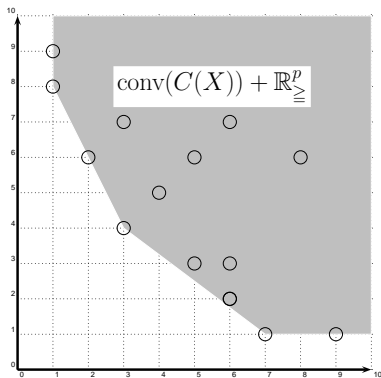
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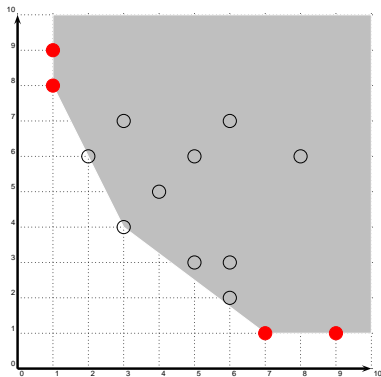
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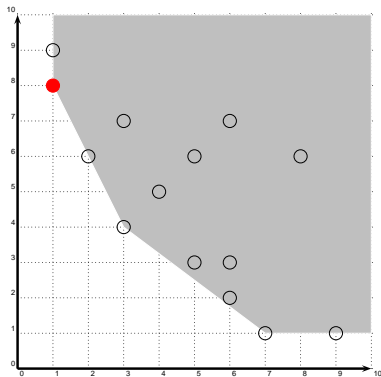
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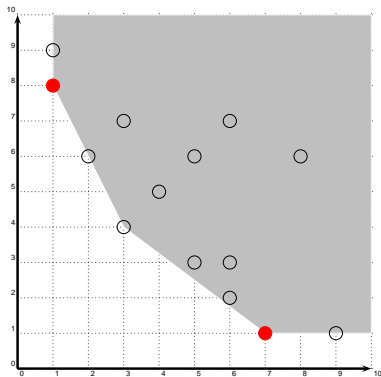
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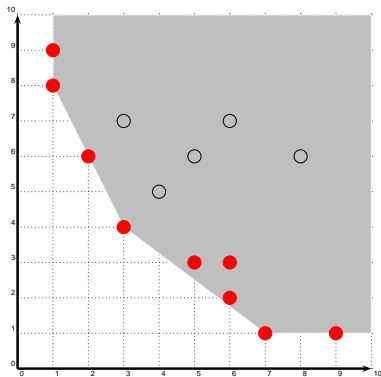
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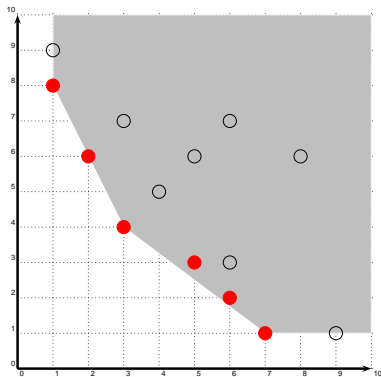
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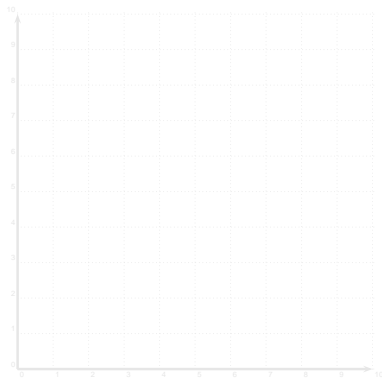
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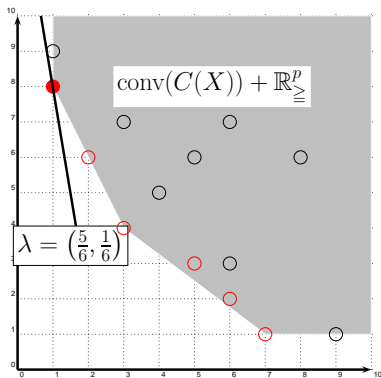
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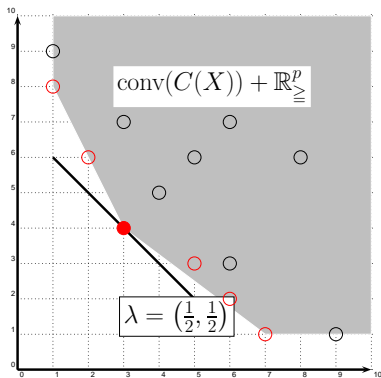
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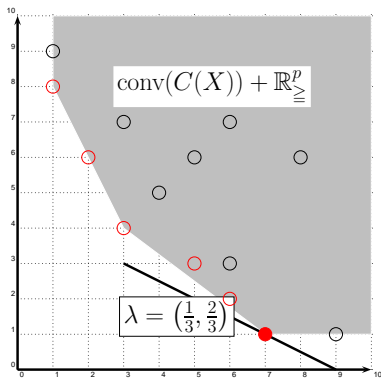
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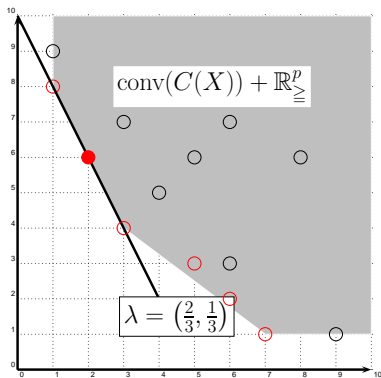
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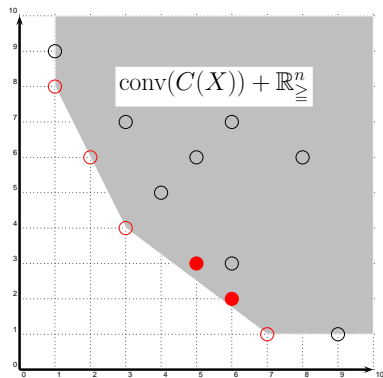
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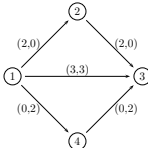


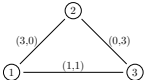
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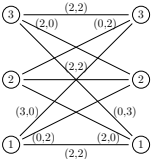
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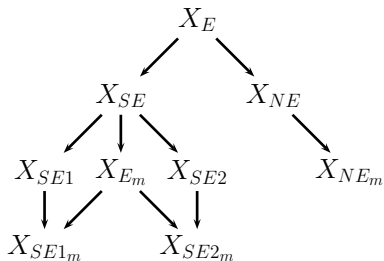
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- Assignment:  $Y_N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

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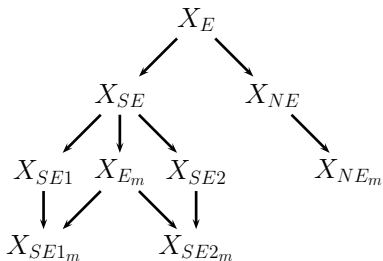
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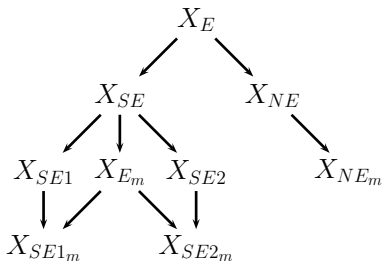
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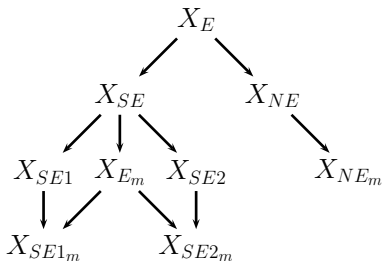
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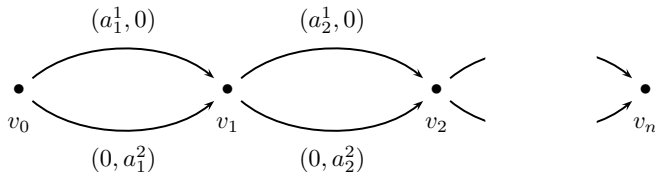
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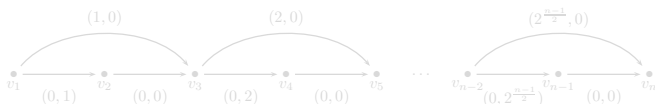
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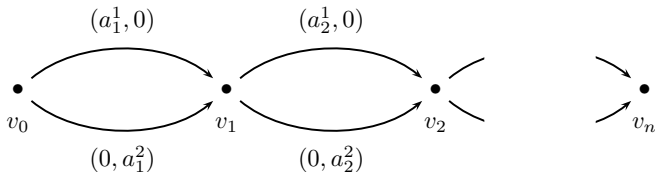


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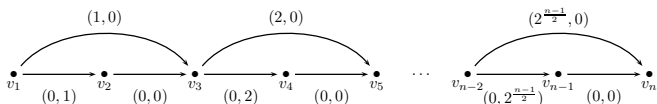


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- Number of nondominated points for biobjective shortest path and assignment problems (Raith 2007, Przybylski 2006)

Shortest path			Assignment	
Nodes	Edges	$ Y_N $	n	$ Y_N $
4,902	19,596	6	10	13
4,902	19,596	1,594	20	82
3,000	33,224	15	40	243
14,000	153,742	17	60	470
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- Number of nondominated points for biobjective shortest path and assignment problems (Raith 2007, Przybylski 2006)

Shortest path			Assignment	
Nodes	Edges	$ Y_N $	n	$ Y_N $
4,902	19,596	6	10	13
4,902	19,596	1,594	20	82
3,000	33,224	15	40	243
14,000	153,742	17	60	470
330,386	1,202,458	21	80	671
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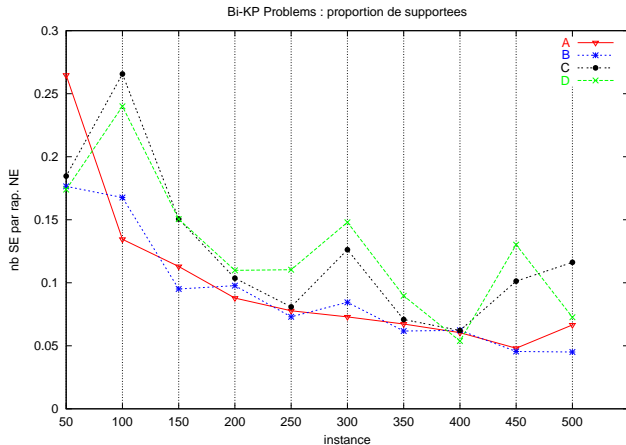
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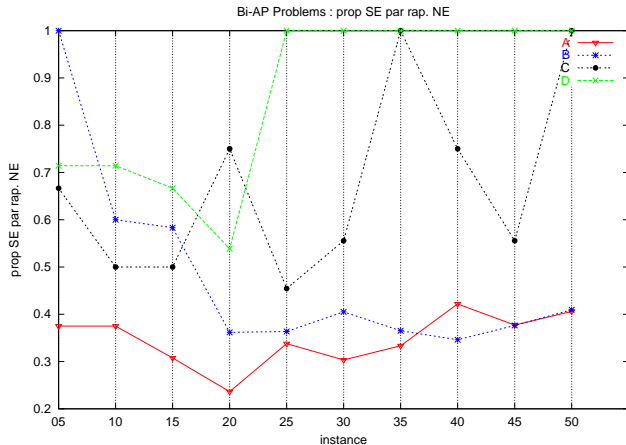
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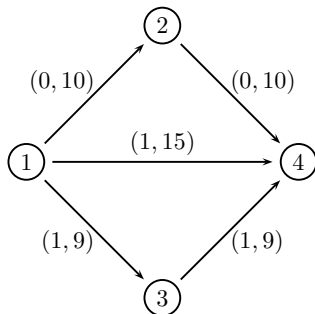
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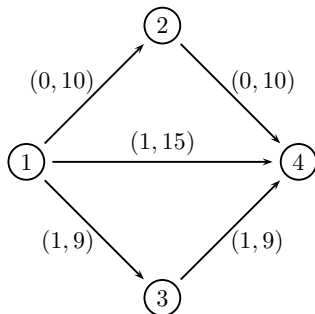
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While $\mathcal{TL} \neq \emptyset$ do

Let label $L = (c^1, \dots, c^p, v_h, l, k)$ of node v_i be the lexicographically smallest label in \mathcal{TL} .

Remove L from \mathcal{TL} and add it to \mathcal{PL} .

For all $v_j \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $(v_i, v_j) \in \mathcal{A}$ do

Create label $L' = (c^1 + c^1(v_i, v_j), \dots, c^p + c^p(v_i, v_j), v_i, k, t)$ as the next label at node v_j and add it to \mathcal{TL} .

Delete all temporary labels of node v_j dominated by L' , delete L' if it is dominated by another label of node v_j .

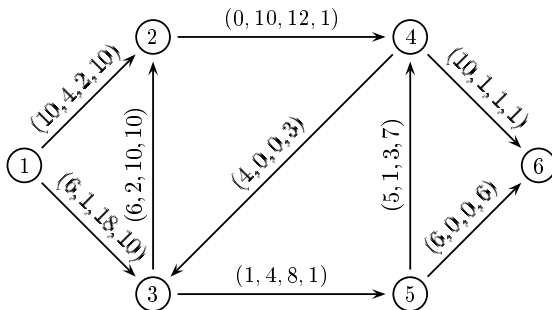
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End while.

Use the predecessor labels in the permanent labels to recover all efficient paths from s to other nodes of \mathcal{G} .

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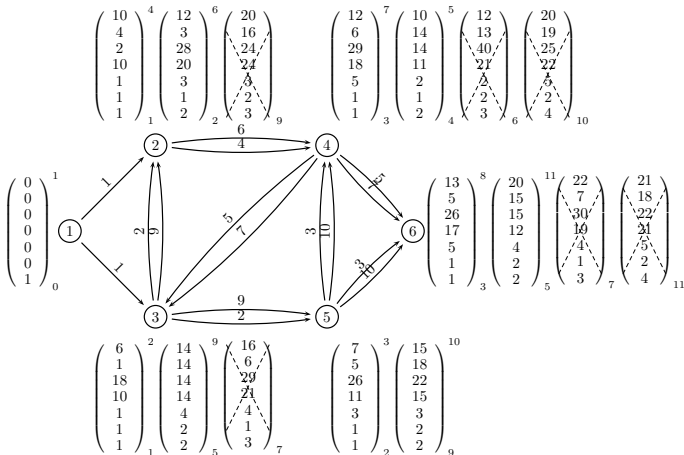
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Set $d_{ij} := (\infty, \dots, \infty)$ if $v_i \neq v_j$ and $(v_i, v_j) \notin \mathcal{A}$.

Set $d_{ij} := (c^1(v_i, v_j), \dots, c^p(v_i, v_j))$ otherwise.

Set $\mathcal{L}(i, 1) := \{d_{1i}\}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

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$$\mathcal{L}(i, k + 1) := \min \bigcup_{j=1}^n \{d_{ji} + l_j^k : l_j^k \in \mathcal{L}(j, k)\}$$

End for.

If $\mathcal{L}(i, k + 1) = \mathcal{L}(i, k)$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$ then

 If $k = n - 1$ then STOP, a negative cycle exists.

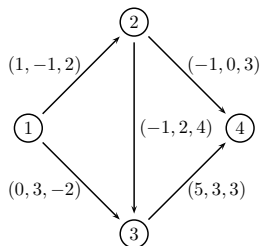
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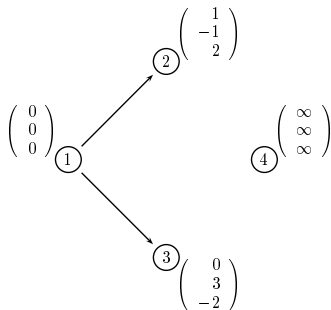
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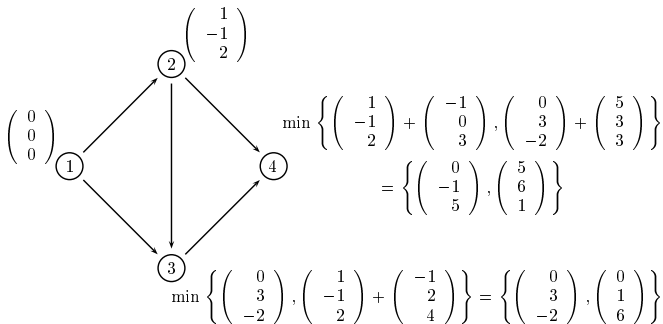


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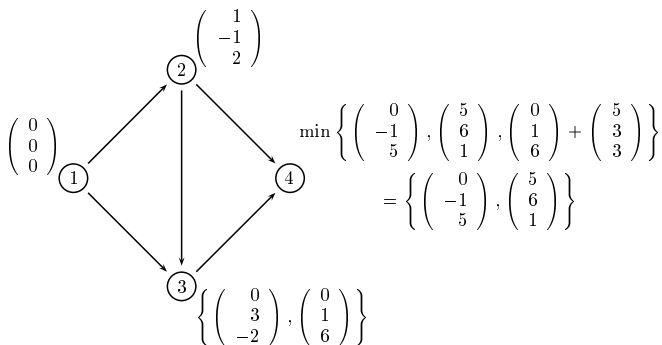
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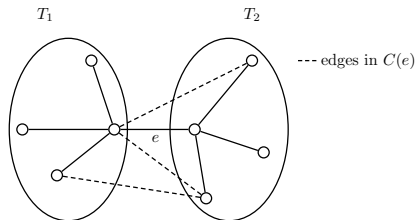
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- Let $e \in \mathcal{E}(T)$ be an edge of T . Let $(\mathcal{V}(T_1), \mathcal{E}(T_1))$ and $(\mathcal{V}(T_2), \mathcal{E}(T_2))$ be the two connected components of $\mathcal{G} \setminus \{e\}$. Let

$C(e) := \{f = (v_i, v_j) \in \mathcal{E} : v_i \in \mathcal{V}(T_1), v_j \in \mathcal{V}(T_2)\}$ be the cut defined by deleting e . Then $c(e) \in \min\{c(f) : f \in C(e)\}$.

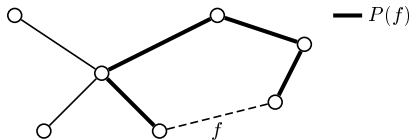


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Algorithm (Prim's spanning tree algorithm)

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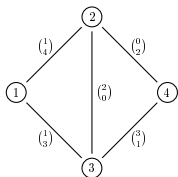
$$\mathcal{T}_k := \{\mathcal{E}(T) \cup \{e_j\} : T \in \mathcal{T}_{k-1}, e_j \in \operatorname{argmin}\{c(e) = c([v_i, v_j]) : v_i \in \mathcal{V}(T), v_j \in \mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{V}(T)\}\}$$

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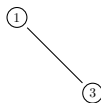
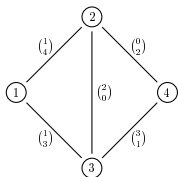
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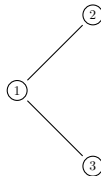
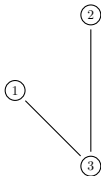
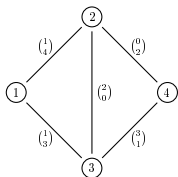
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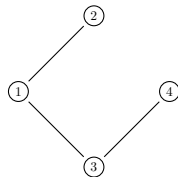
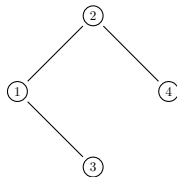
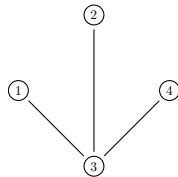
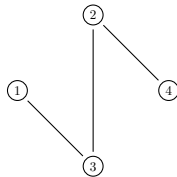
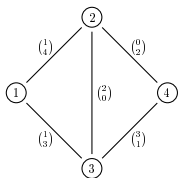
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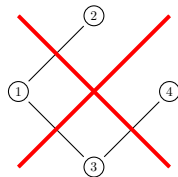
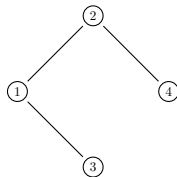
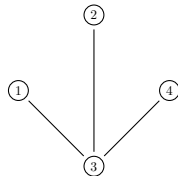
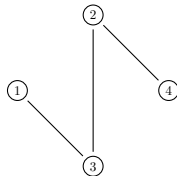
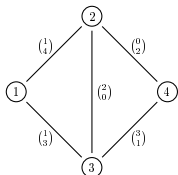
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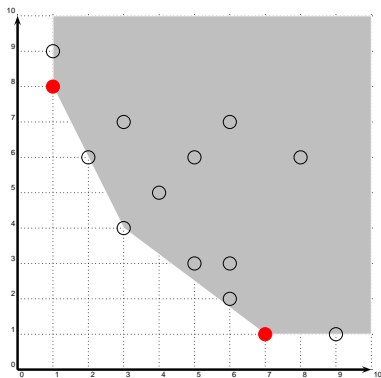
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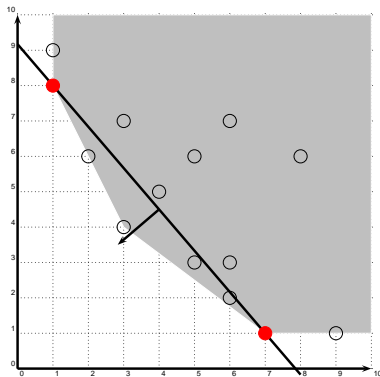
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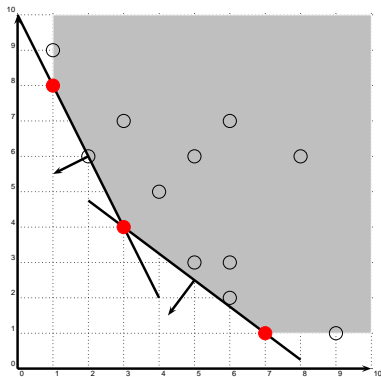
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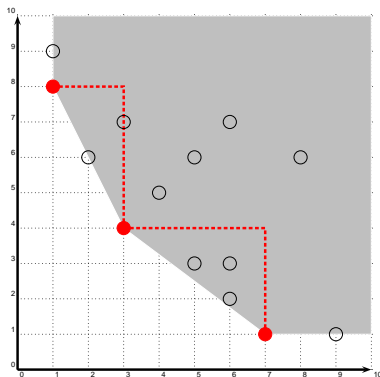
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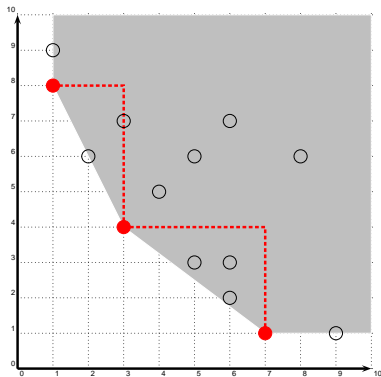
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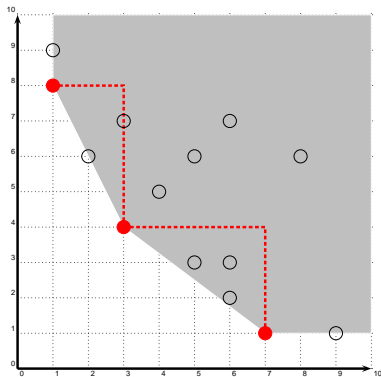
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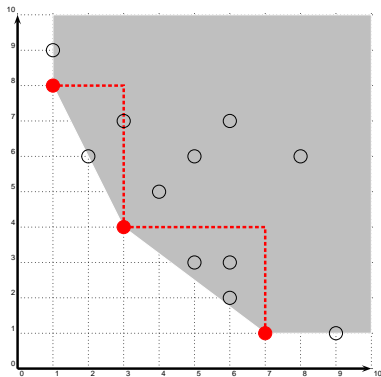
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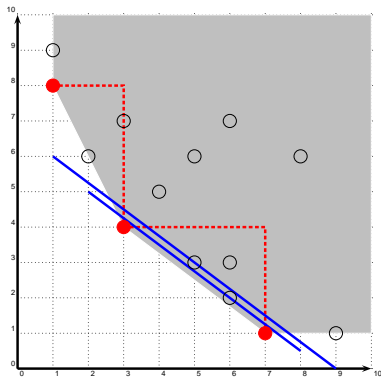
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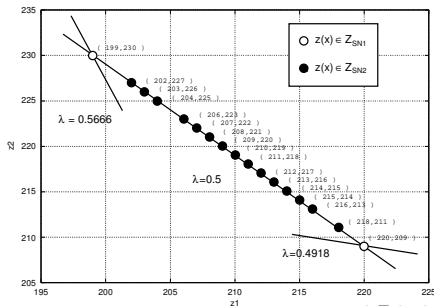
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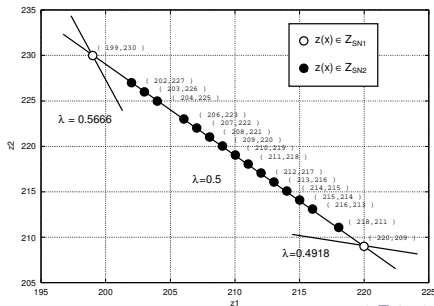
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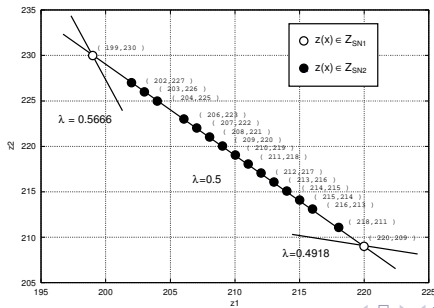
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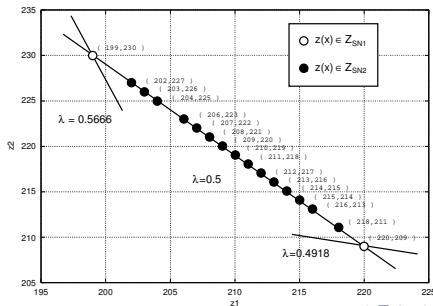
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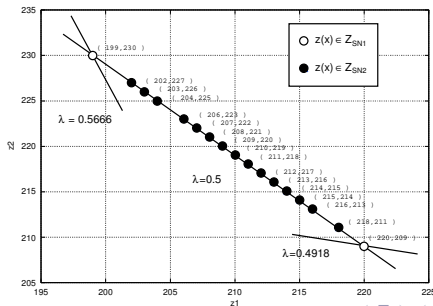
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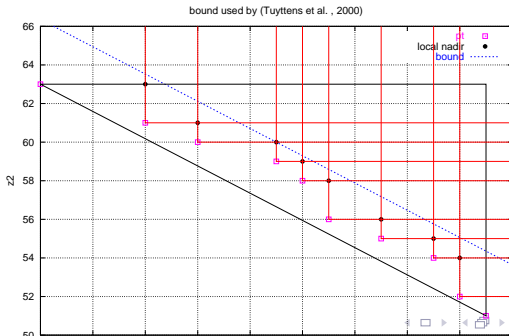


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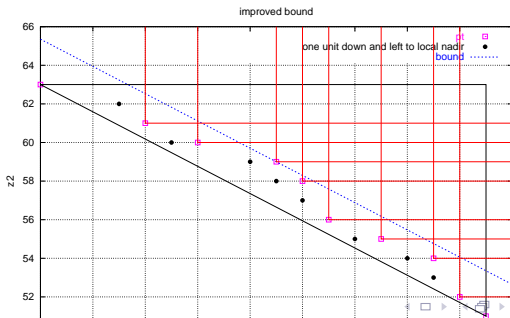
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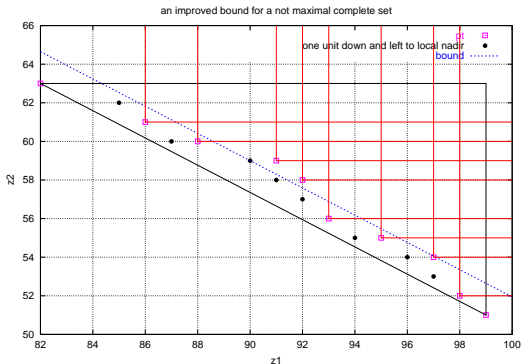
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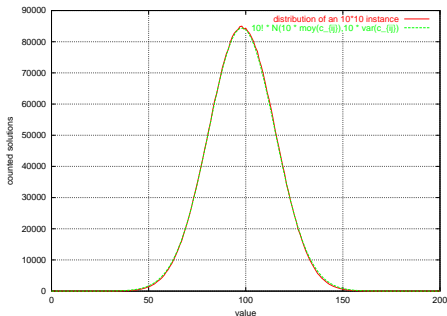
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Comparison with CPLEX 9.0 using constraints (3.4 GHz, 4 GB RAM)

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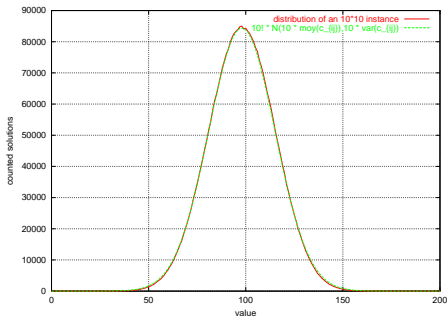


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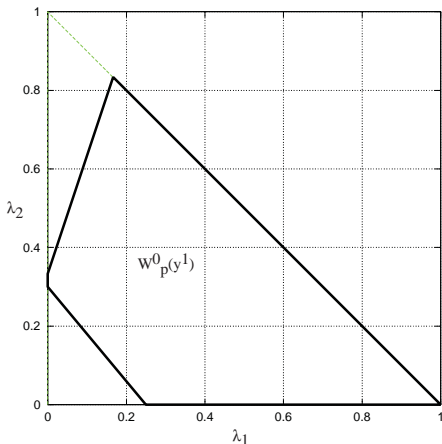
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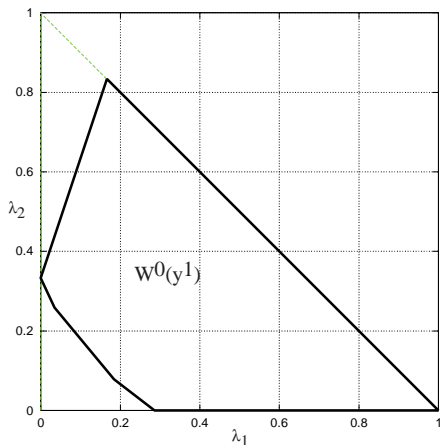
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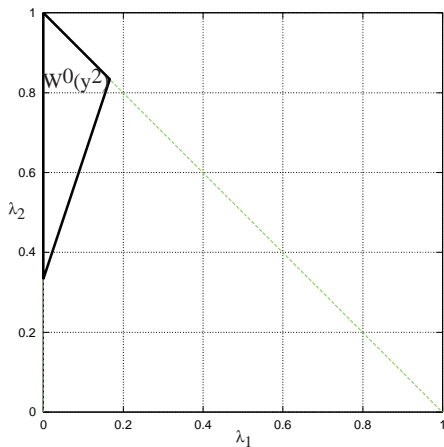
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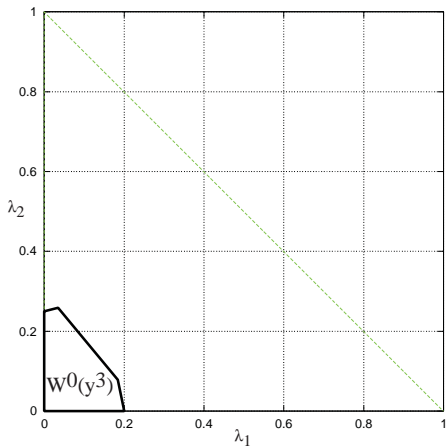
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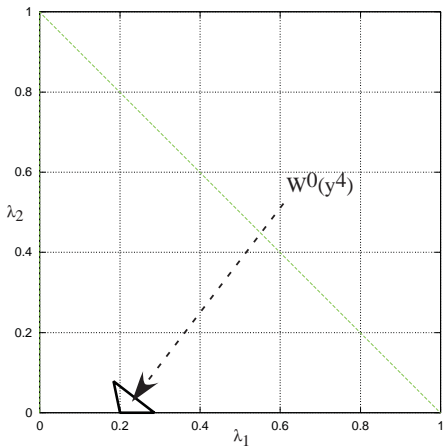
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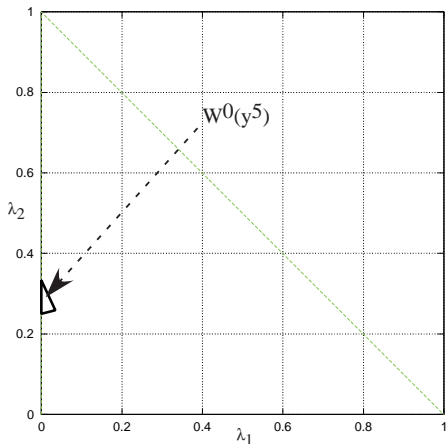
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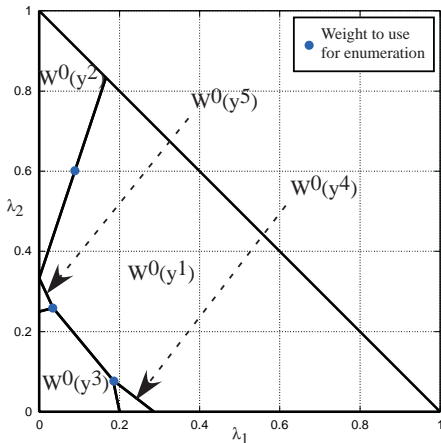
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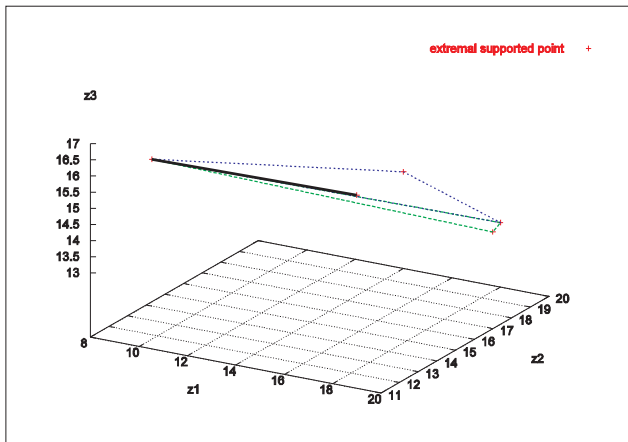
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15	483	×	544.53	172.29	0.36
20	1942	×	×	1607.92	4.51
25	3750	×	×	5218.00	30.13
30	5195	×	×	15579.00	55.87
35	10498	×	×	101751.00	109.96
40	14733	×	×	×	229.05
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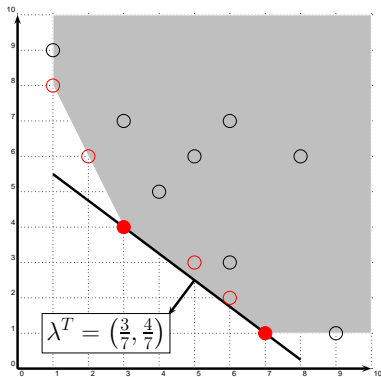
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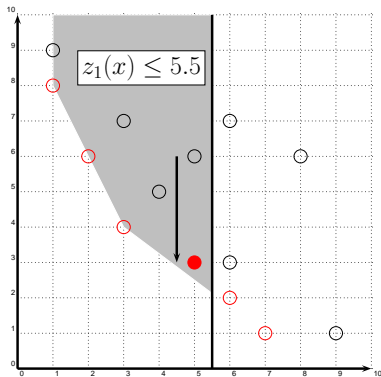
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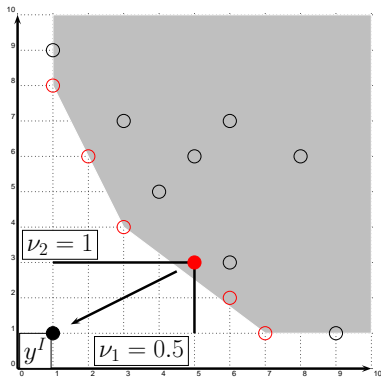
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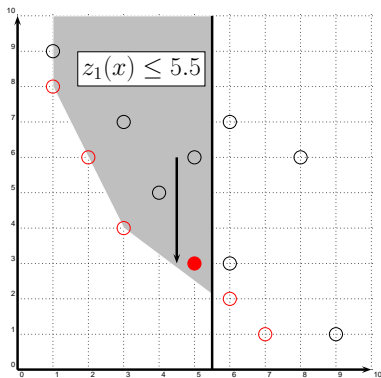
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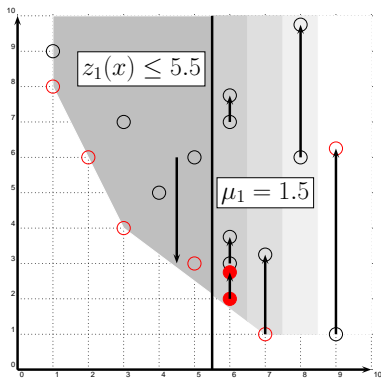


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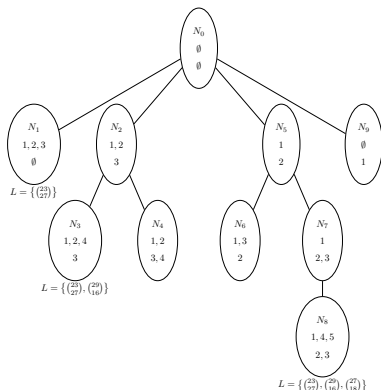
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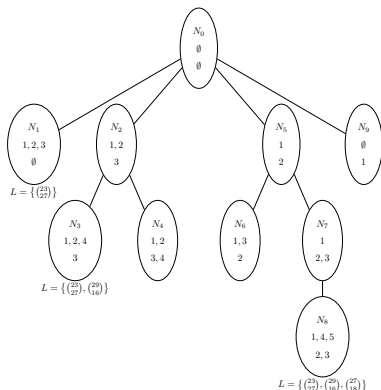
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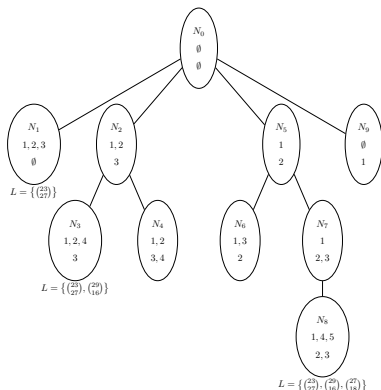
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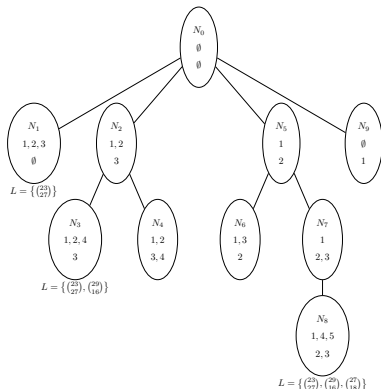
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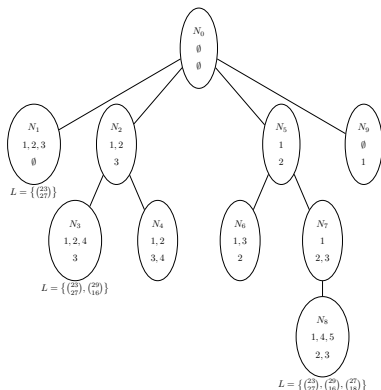
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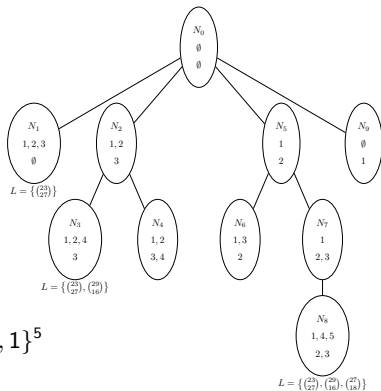
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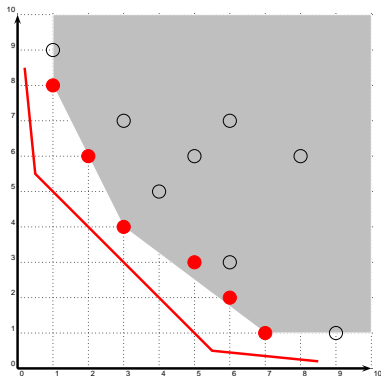
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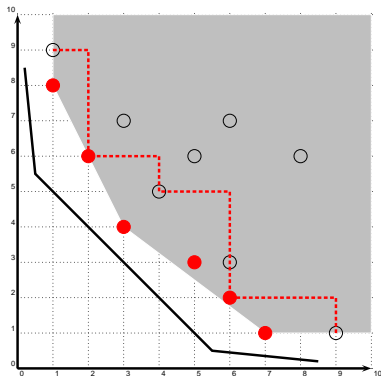
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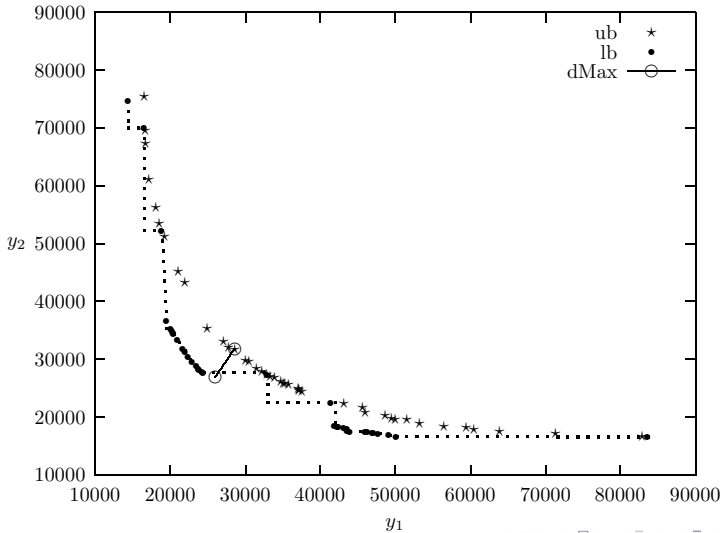
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