

Multi-weighted Reachability Games

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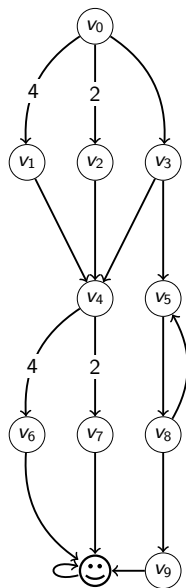
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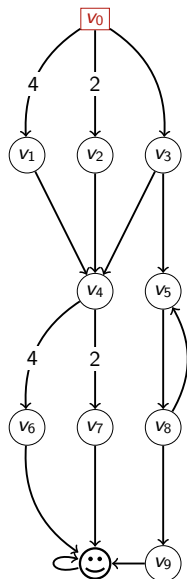
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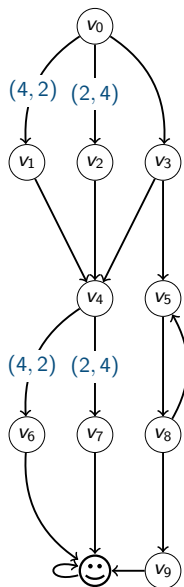


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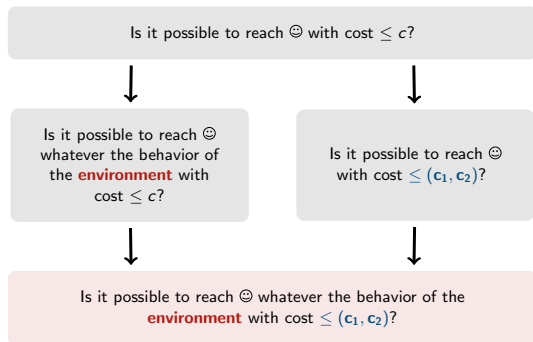
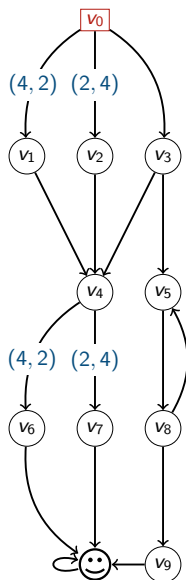


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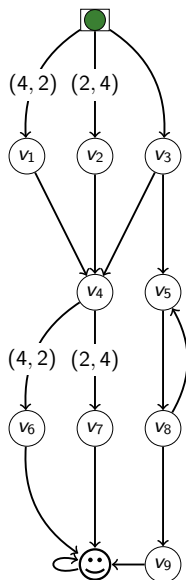
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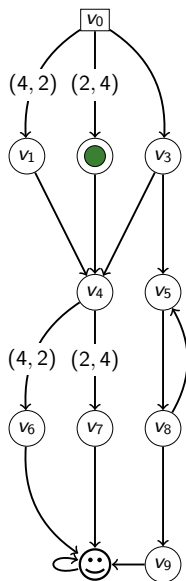
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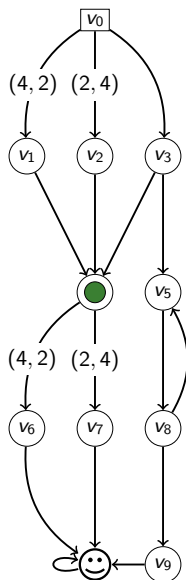
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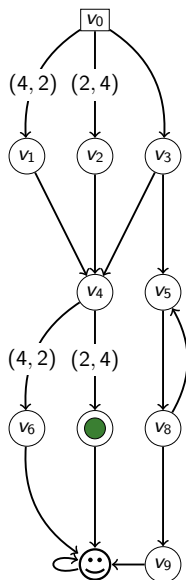
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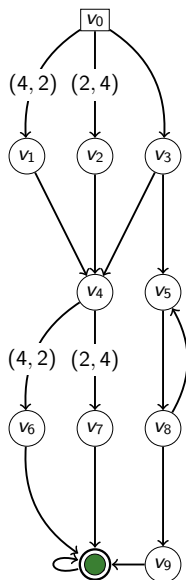
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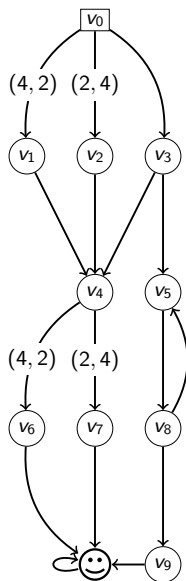
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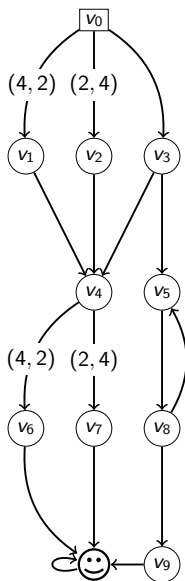
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Quantitative reachability objective

Given a target set $F \subseteq V$, for all plays $\rho = \rho_0 \rho_1 \dots$:

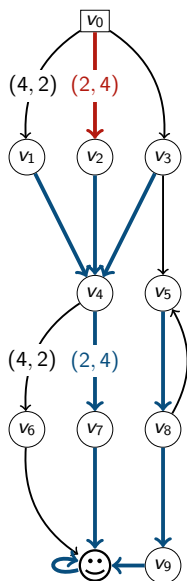
$$\text{Cost}_i(\rho) = \begin{cases} \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} w_i(\rho_n, \rho_{n+1}) & \text{if } k \text{ is the least} \\ & \text{index st. } \rho_k \in F \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Rem: **same target set** for all dimensions.

Ex:

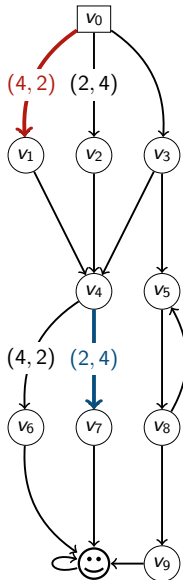
- $\text{Cost}(v_0 v_3 (v_5 v_8)^\omega) = (\text{Cost}_1(v_0 v_3 (v_5 v_8)^\omega), \text{Cost}_2(v_0 v_3 (v_5 v_8)^\omega)) = (+\infty, +\infty)$
- $\text{Cost}(v_0 v_2 v_4 v_7 \text{😊}^\omega) = (6, 10)$

Two-player Multi-weighted Reachability Games



- A strategy for Player \circ : $\sigma_{\circ} : V^* V_{\circ} \rightarrow V$.
- Given a **strategy profile** $(\sigma_{\circ}, \sigma_{\square})$ and an initial vertex $v_0 \rightsquigarrow$ only one consistent play $\langle \sigma_{\circ}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_{v_0}$ called the **outcome**.

Ex: $\langle \sigma_{\circ}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_{v_0} = v_0 v_2 v_4 v_7 \text{😊}^{\omega}$.



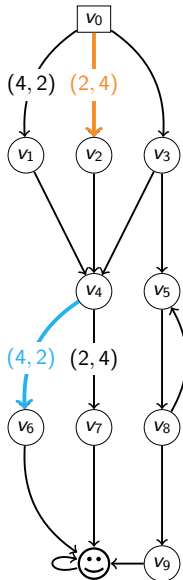
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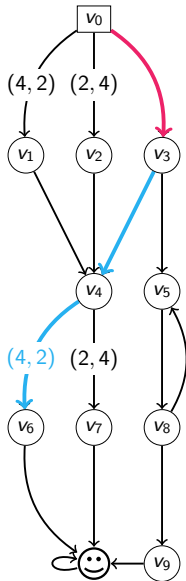
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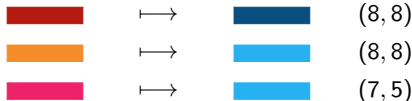


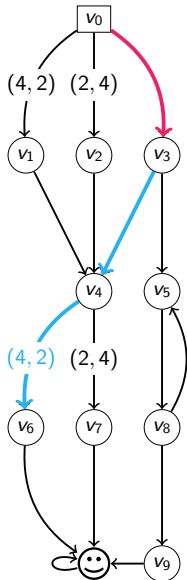
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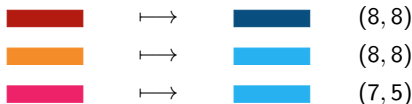


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Player \bigcirc can adapt his strategy in function of the choice of Player $\square \rightsquigarrow$ finite-memory strategy!

$$\text{Ensure}(v) = \{\mathbf{c} \in \overline{\mathbb{N}}^d \mid \exists \sigma_{\circ} \text{ st. } \forall \sigma_{\square}, \text{Cost}(\langle \sigma_{\circ}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v) \leq_{\mathbf{c}} \mathbf{c}\}.$$

$\text{minimal}(\text{Ensure}(v)) = \text{Pareto}(v) \rightsquigarrow$ **Pareto frontier** from v .

For $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, \dots, c_d) \in \text{Pareto}(v)$, a strategy σ_{\circ} is **c-Pareto-optimal** if σ_{\circ} ensures \mathbf{c} from v .

Studied problems

- 1 Decide the **constrained existence problem**.
- 2 Compute the Pareto frontier and Pareto-optimal strategies.

Constrained existence problem (CEP)

Given a game, a vertex $v \in V$ and $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{N}^d$, does there exist a strategy σ_{\bigcirc} of Player \bigcirc such that for all strategies of Player \square , we have:

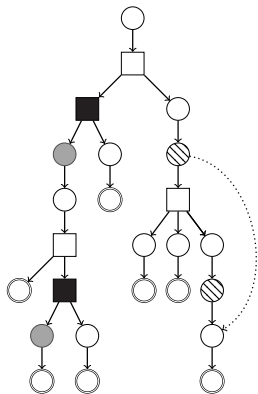
$$\text{Cost}(\langle \sigma_{\bigcirc}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v) \leq_c \mathbf{c}$$

Constrained Existence Problem

Given $v \in V$ and $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{N}^d$, if there exists $\sigma_{\circlearrowleft}$ such that for all σ_{\square} we have: $\text{Cost}(\langle \sigma_{\circlearrowleft}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v) \leq c \mathbf{x}$ then,

there exists $\sigma'_{\circlearrowleft}$ such that for all σ_{\square} ,

- $\text{Cost}(\langle \sigma'_{\circlearrowleft}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v) \leq c \mathbf{x}$;
- $|\langle \sigma'_{\circlearrowleft}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v|_{\mathbb{F}} \leq |V|$



↪ simulation of the game by an alternating Turing machine during at most $|V|$ steps.

Since $AP_{\text{TIME}} = PSPACE$:

In two-player multi-weighted reachability games, the CE problem belongs to $PSPACE$.

In two-player multi-weighted reachability games, the CE problem is $PSPACE$ -hard.

↪ Reduction from the Quantified Subset-Sum problem.

Quantified Subset-Sum Problem

Given a set of natural numbers $N = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ and a threshold $T \in \mathbb{N}$, we ask if the formula

$$\Psi = \exists x_1 \in \{0, 1\} \forall x_2 \in \{0, 1\} \exists x_3 \in \{0, 1\} \dots \exists x_n \in \{0, 1\}, \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i = T$$

is true.

This problem is proved to be $PSPACE$ -complete [Tra06, Lemma 4].

Computing the Pareto frontier

Computing Pareto(v)

$$\text{Ensure}^k(v) = \{\mathbf{c} \in \overline{\mathbb{N}}^d \mid \exists \sigma_{\square} \text{ st. } \forall \sigma_{\circ}, \\ \text{Cost}(\langle \sigma_{\circ}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v) \leq \mathbf{c} \wedge |\langle \sigma_{\circ}, \sigma_{\square} \rangle_v|_F \leq k\}.$$

The algorithm computes, step by step, the sets $I^k(v)$ for all $v \in V$.

For all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and all $v \in V$, $I^k(v) = \text{minimal}(\text{Ensure}^k(v))$

There exists $k^* \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $v \in V$ and for all $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$,
 $I^{k^*}(v) = I^{k^*+\ell}(v)$.

For all $v \in V$, $I^{k^*}(v) = \text{Pareto}(v)$.

Theorem

The fixpoint algorithm runs in time polynomial in W and $|V|$ and is **exponential** in d , where W is the maximal weight on an edge.

Computing Pareto(v)

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for  $v \in F$  do  $l^0(v) = \{0\}$   
for  $v \notin F$  do  $l^0(v) = \{\infty\}$ 
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repeat
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  for  $v \in V$  do
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    if  $v \in F$  then  $l^{k+1}(v) = \{0\}$ 
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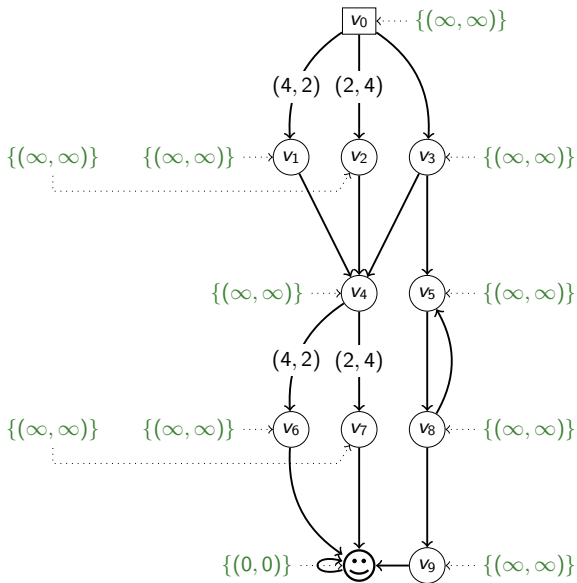
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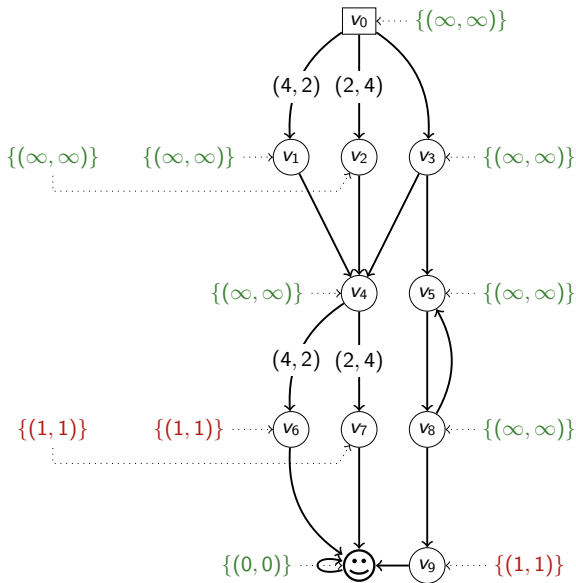
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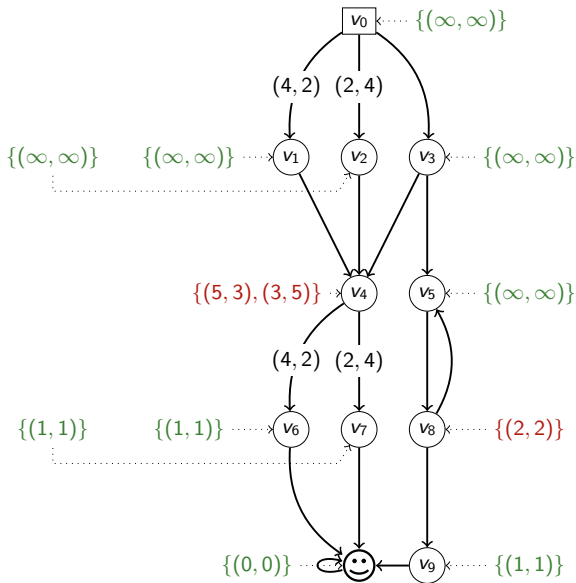
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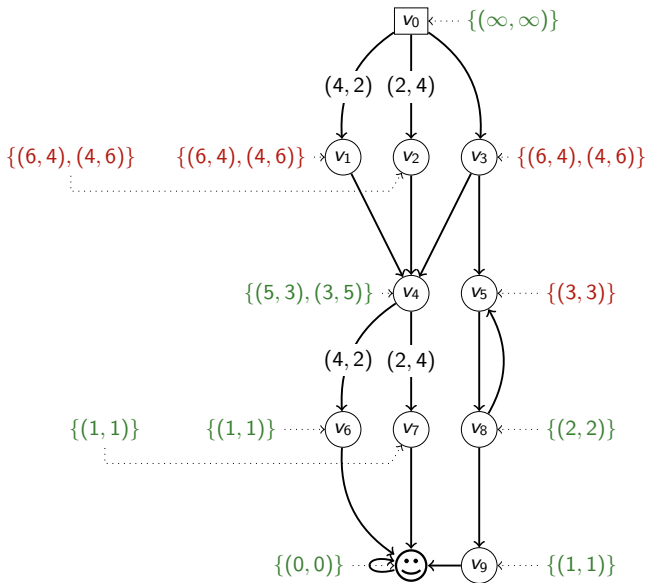
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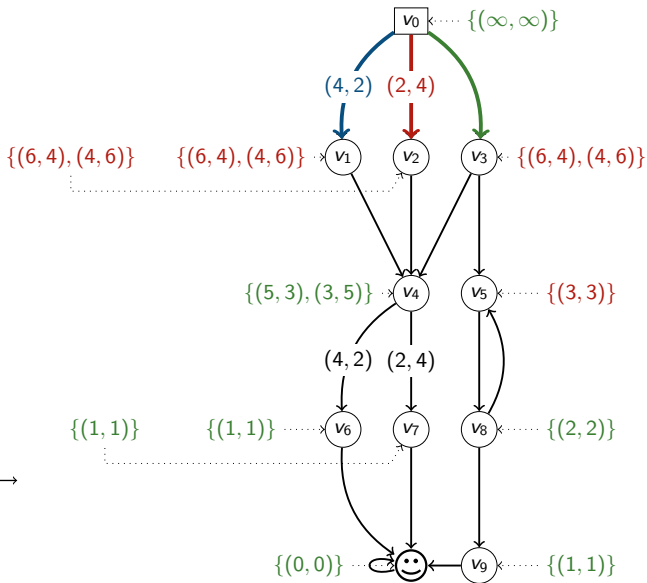
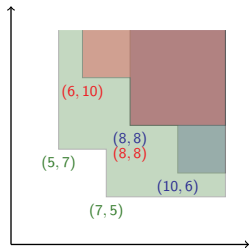
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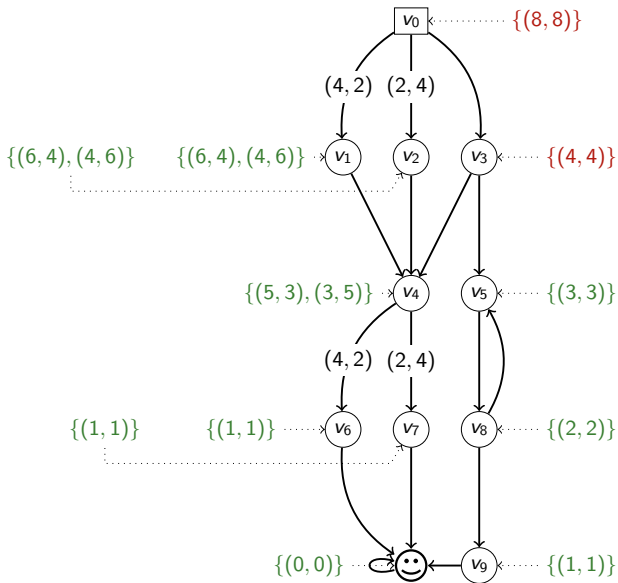
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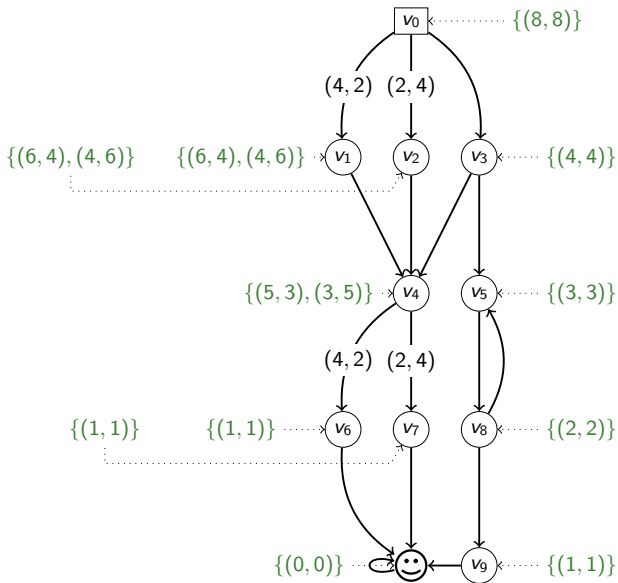
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      for  $x \in l^{k+1}(v)$  do
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        if  $x \in l^k(v)$  then  $f_v^{k+1}(x) = f_v^k(x)$ 
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        else
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           $f_v^{k+1}(x) = (v', x')$  where  $v'$  and  $x'$  are such that  $v' \in \text{succ}(v)$ ,  $x = x' + \mathbf{w}(v, v')$  and  $x' \in l^k(v')$ 
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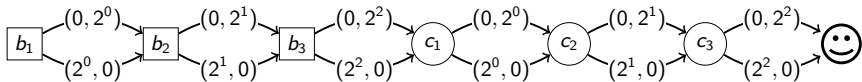
Computing Pareto-optimal strategies

Given $u \in V$ and $\mathbf{c} \in I^*(u) \setminus \{\infty\}$, we define a strategy σ_{\circ}^* from u such that for all $hv \in \text{Hist}_{\circ}(u)$, let $\mathcal{C}(hv) = \{\mathbf{x}' \in I^*(v) \mid \mathbf{x}' \leq_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{c} - \text{Cost}(hv) \wedge \mathbf{x}' \leq_{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{c} - \text{Cost}(hv)\}$,

$$\sigma_{\circ}^*(hv) = \begin{cases} v' & \text{for some } v' \in \text{succ}(v), \text{ if } \mathcal{C}(hv) = \emptyset \\ f_v^*(\mathbf{x})[1] & \text{where } \mathbf{x} = \min_{\leq_{\mathbf{L}}} \mathcal{C}(hv), \text{ if } \mathcal{C}(hv) \neq \emptyset \end{cases}.$$

σ_{\circ}^* is a \mathbf{c} -Pareto-optimal strategy from u .

Memory requirements



Does there exist a strategy σ_{\bigcirc} that ensures $(2^3 - 1, 2^3 - 1)$?

Intuitively:

- Player \square generates two numbers on 3 bits: x and \bar{x} . Ex: $\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow \rightsquigarrow (x, \bar{x}) = (101, 010)$.
- Player \bigcirc has to generate two numbers on 3 bits: y and \bar{y} such that
 - 1 $x + y \leq 2^3 - 1$
 - 2 $\bar{x} + \bar{y} \leq 2^3 - 1$
- Ex: $\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow \rightsquigarrow (y, \bar{y}) = (010, 101)$ and so $x + y = \bar{x} + \bar{y} = 2^3 - 1$.
- Since $\bar{x} = (2^3 - 1) - x$, y should be equal to \bar{x} to satisfy inequalities (1) and (2).
- Player \square may generate all numbers between 0 and $2^3 - 1 \rightsquigarrow$ Player \bigcirc has to answer differently with respect to the generated numbers $\rightsquigarrow 2^3$ combinations to keep in memory.

\rightsquigarrow This example may be generalized to n bits \rightsquigarrow we need strategies with **exponential memory**.

Conclusion

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	Componentwise order	Lexicographic order
$\text{minimal}(\text{Ensure}(v))$	in exponential time	in polynomial time
CEP	PSPACE-complete	in P

- **uniform approach** to compute $\text{minimal}(\text{Ensure}(v))$ both for the componentwise order and the lexicographic order \rightsquigarrow fixpoint algorithm;
- (Pareto)-optimal strategies can be synthesized thanks to the fixpoint algorithm;
- Pareto-optimal strategies may **require memory** (in the componentwise order case).
- Rem: The CEP with the componentwise order is undecidable with negative weights and four dimensions [Ran23].



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