

Divide-and-Conquer Checkpointing for Arbitrary Programs with No User Annotation

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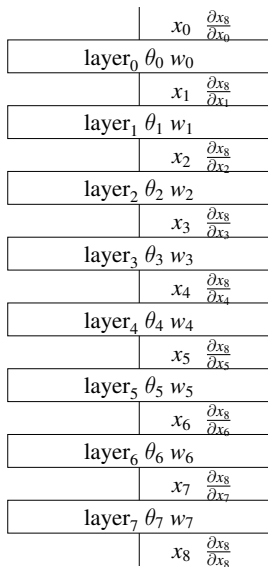
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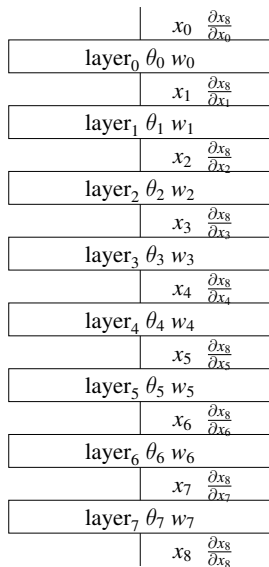
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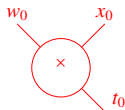
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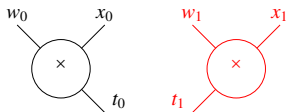
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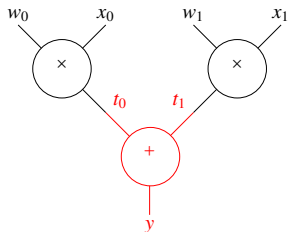
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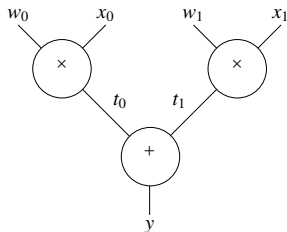
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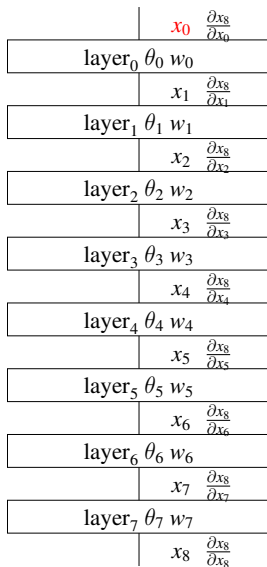
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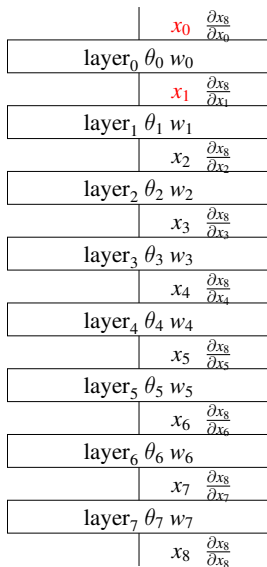
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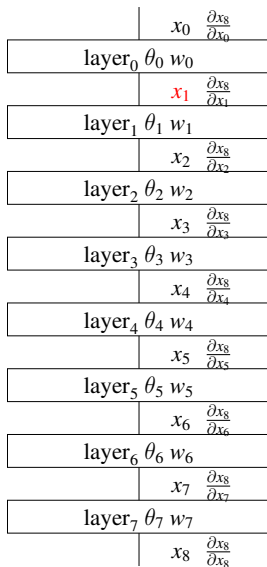
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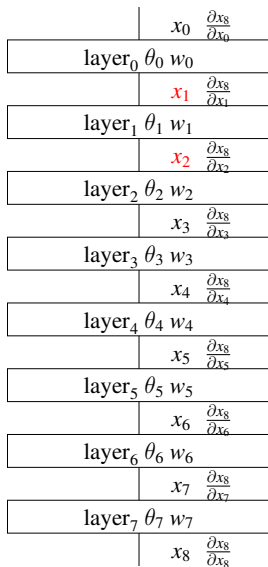
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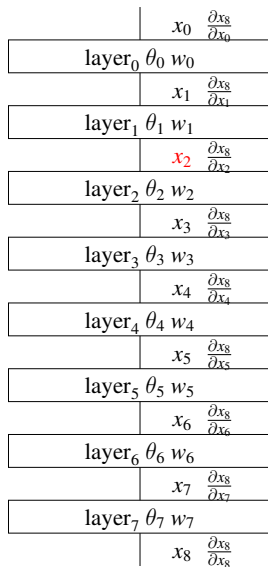
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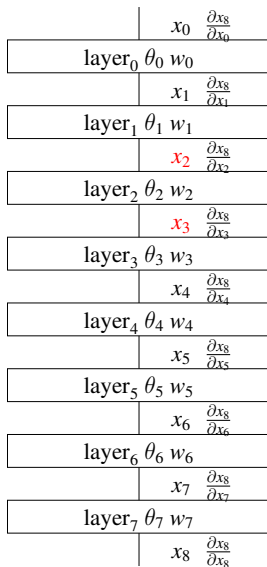
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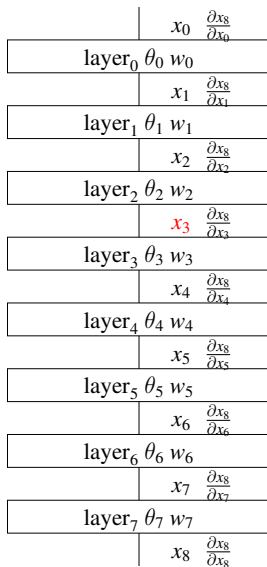
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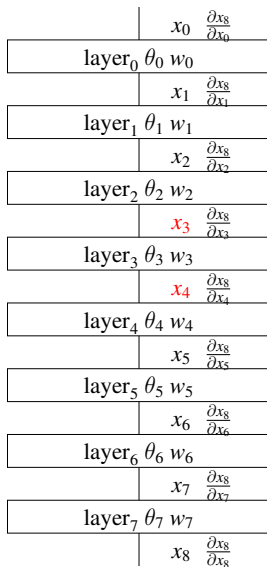
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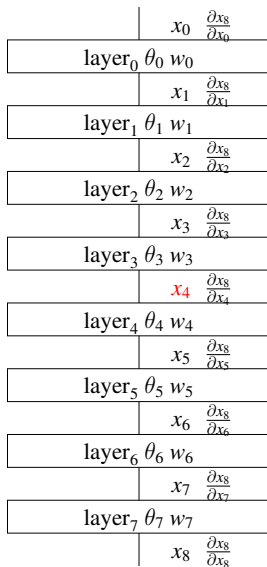
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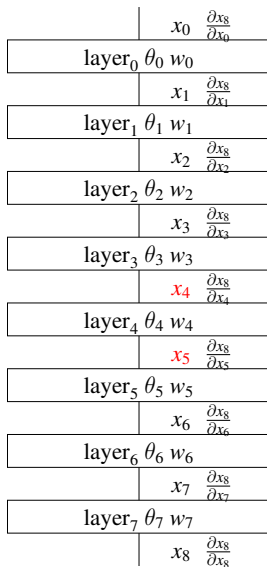
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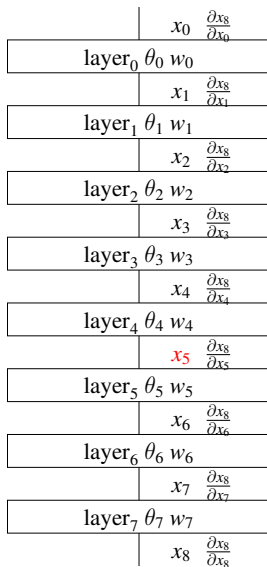
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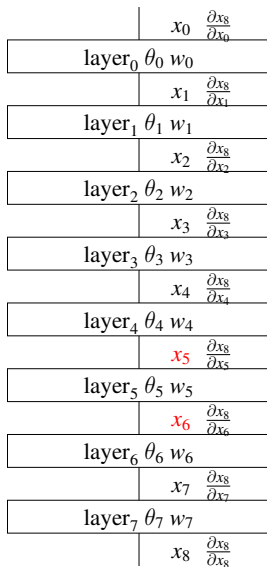
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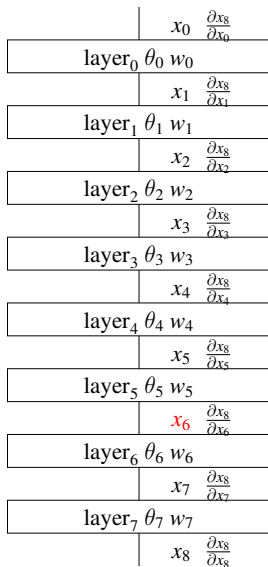
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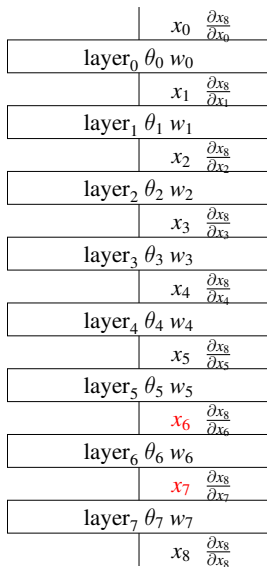
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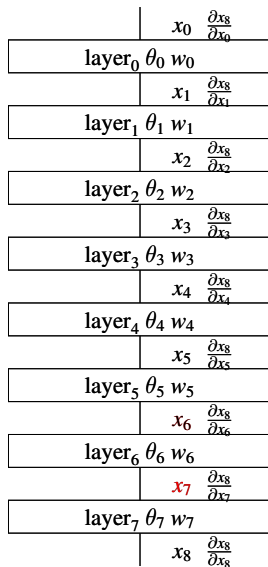
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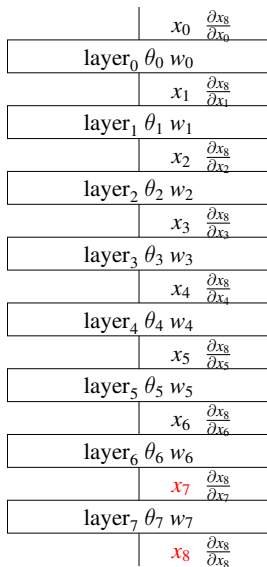
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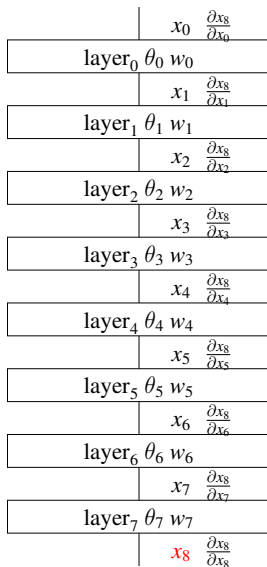
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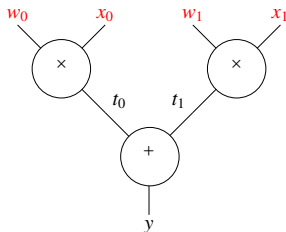
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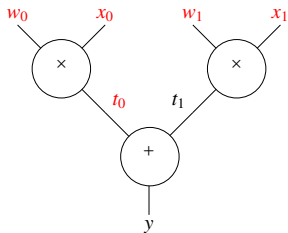
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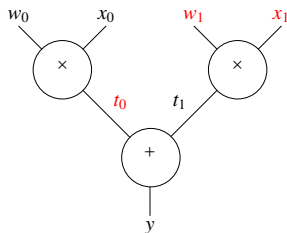
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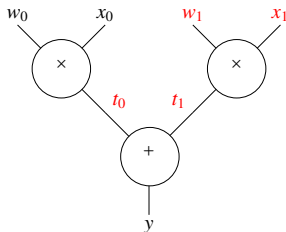
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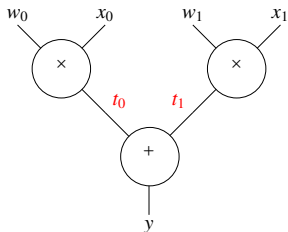
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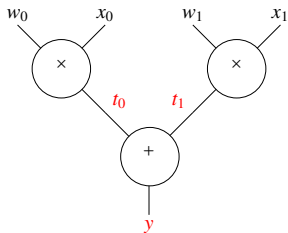
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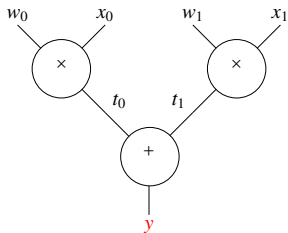
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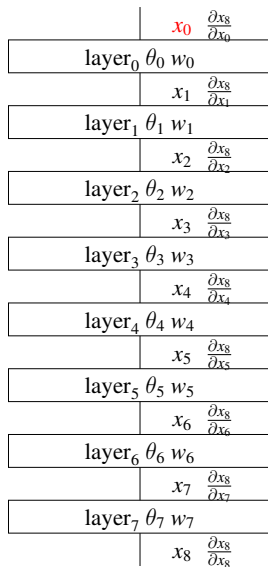
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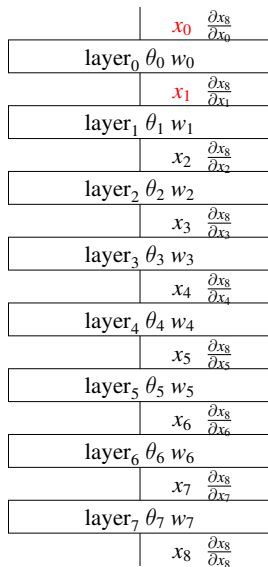
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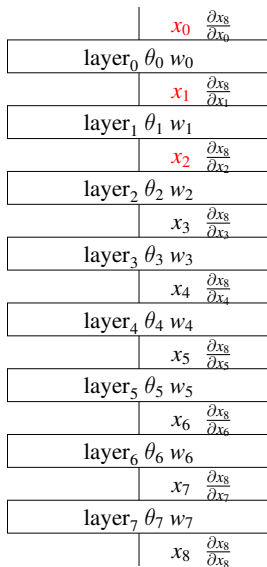
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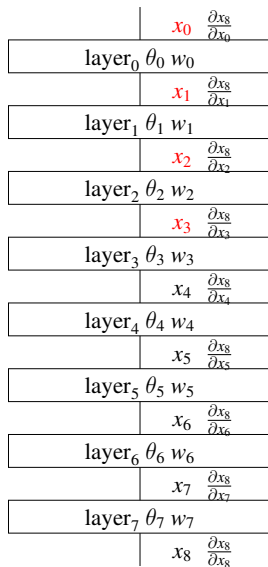
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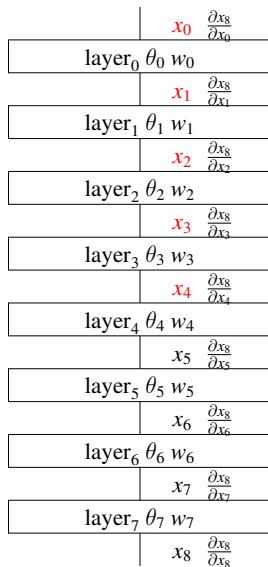
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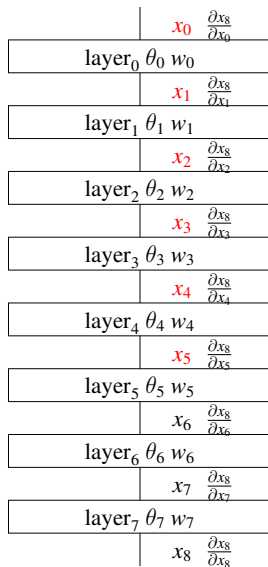
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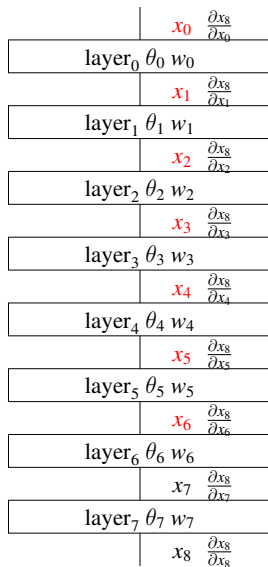
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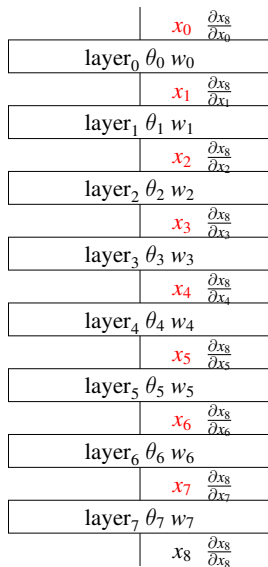
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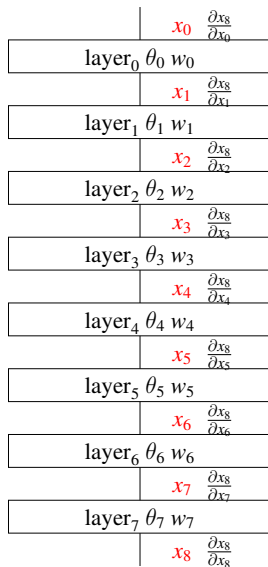
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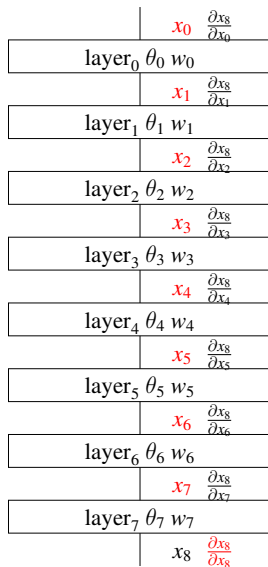
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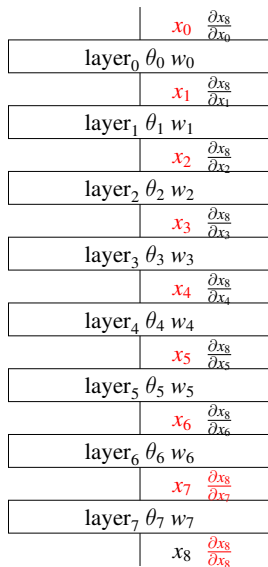
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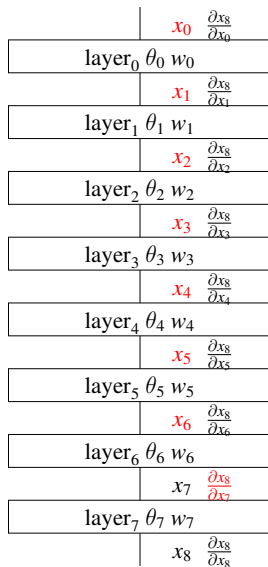
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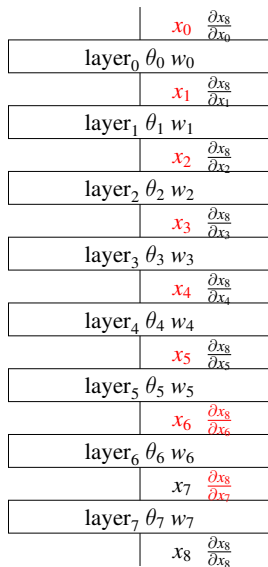
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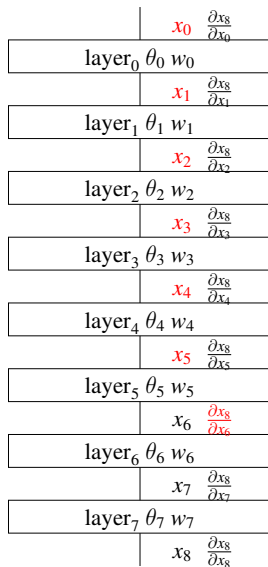
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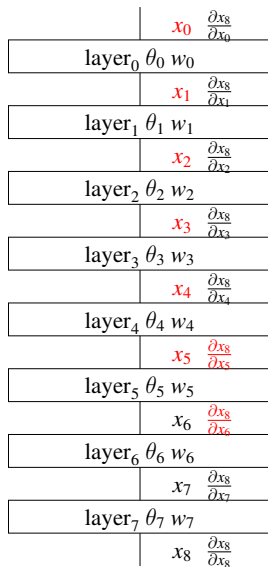
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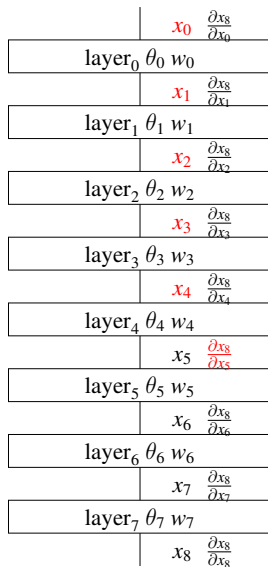
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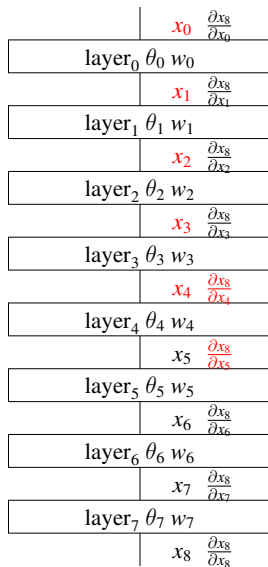
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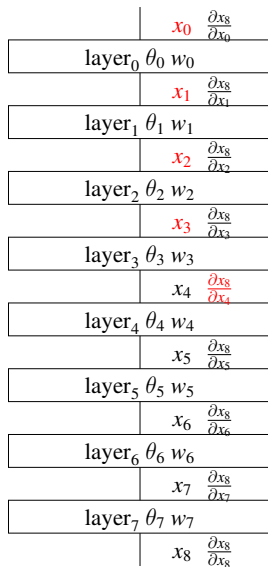
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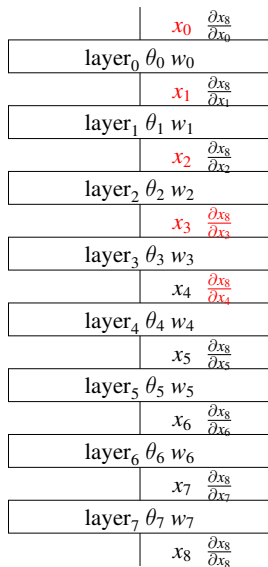
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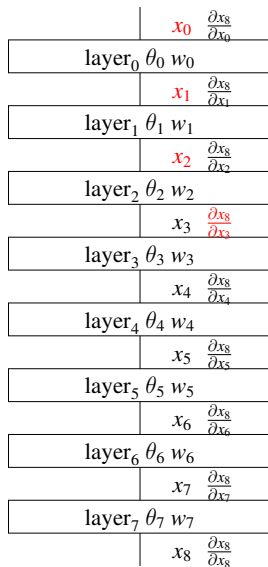
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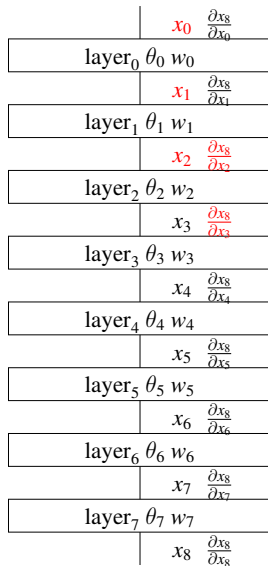
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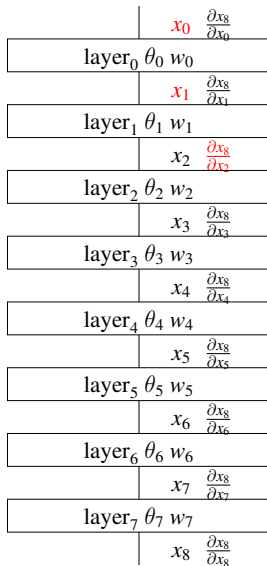
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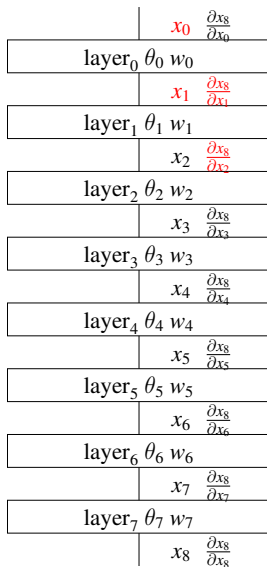
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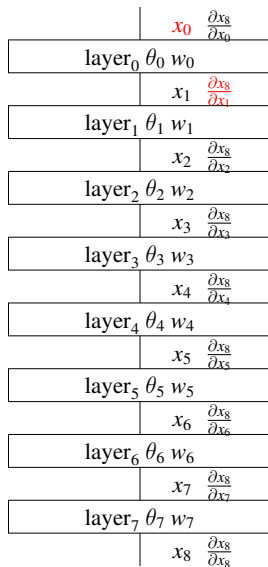
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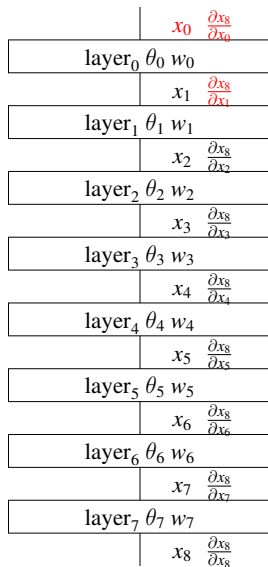
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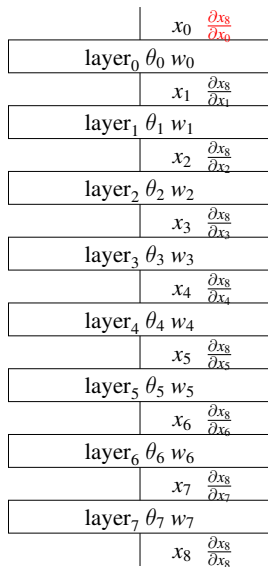
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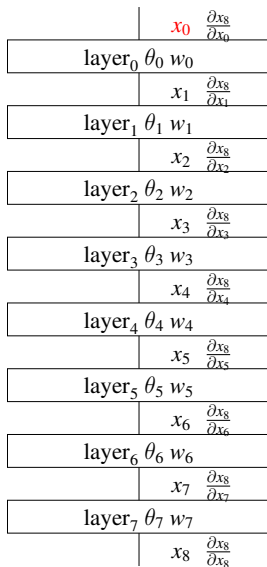
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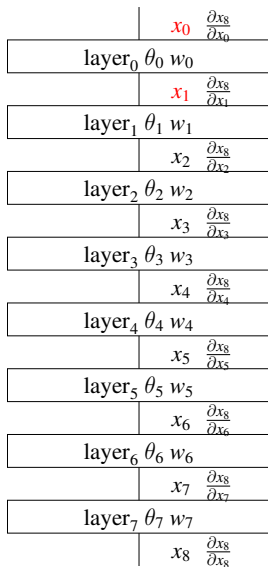
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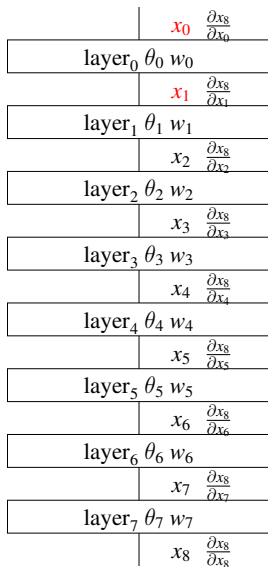
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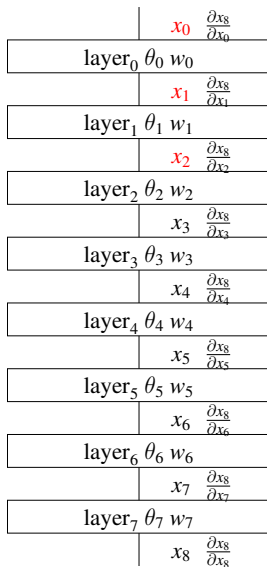
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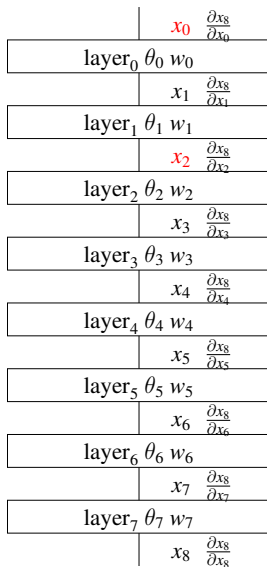
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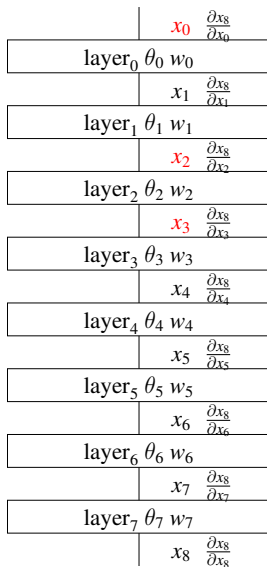
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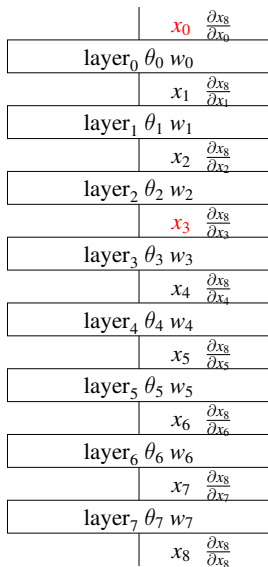
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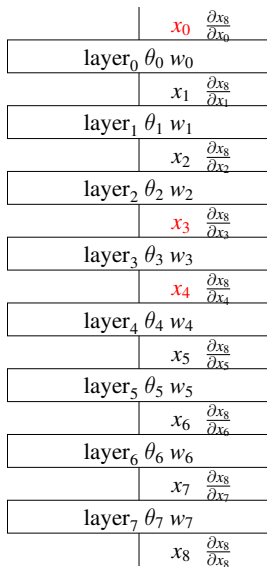
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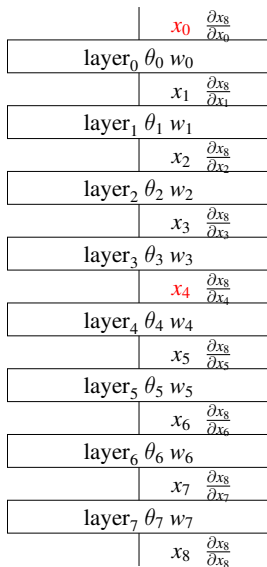
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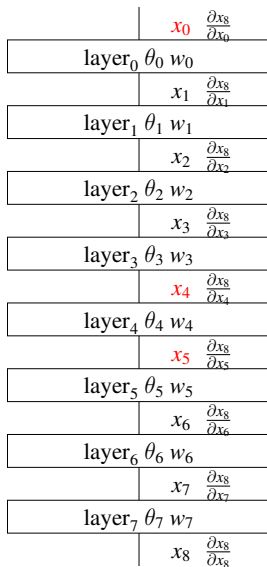
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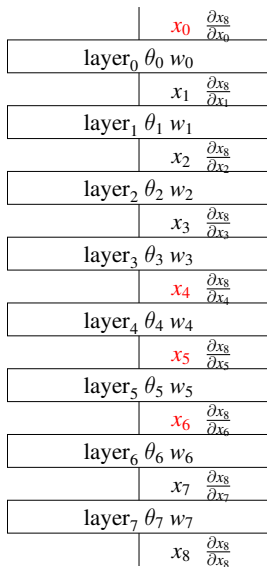
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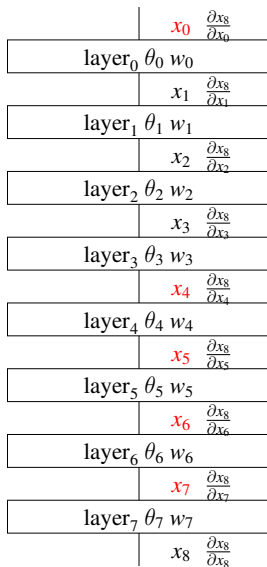
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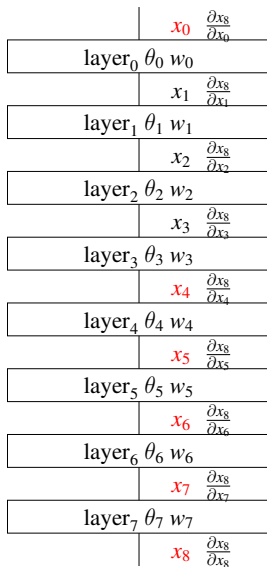
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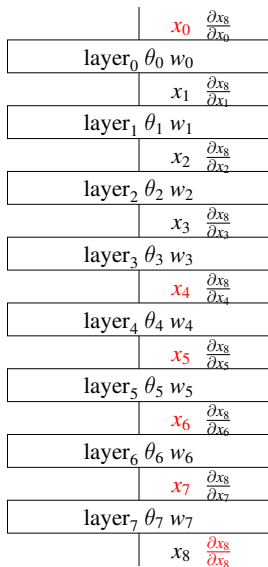
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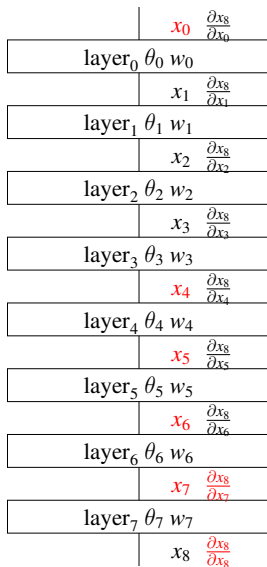
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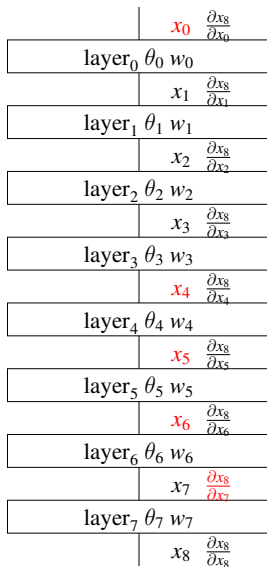
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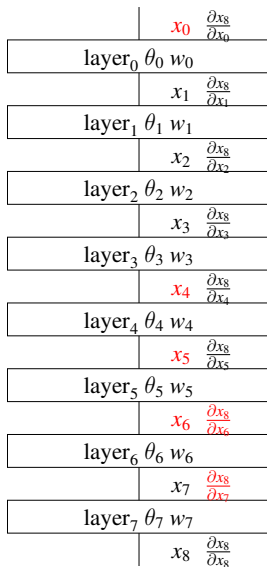
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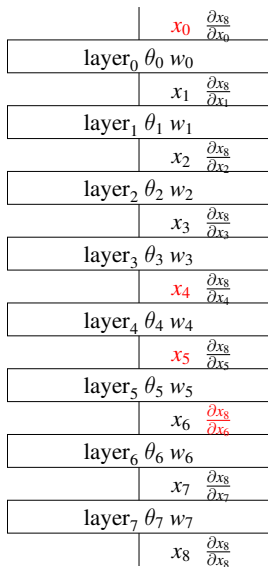
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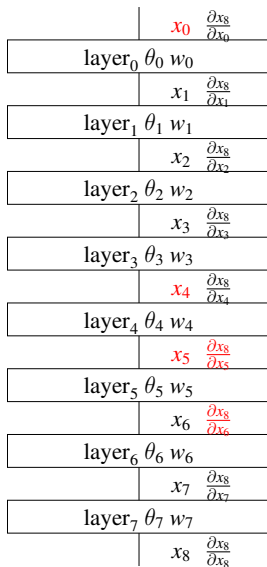
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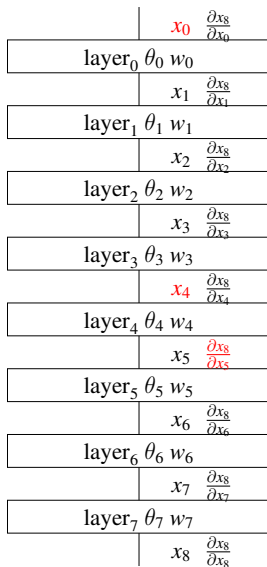
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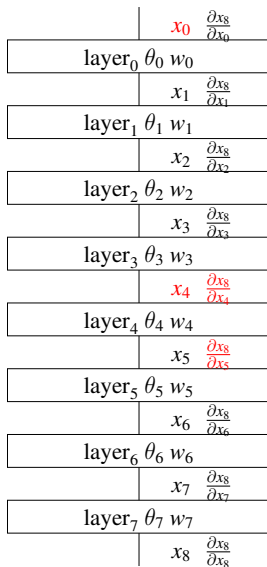
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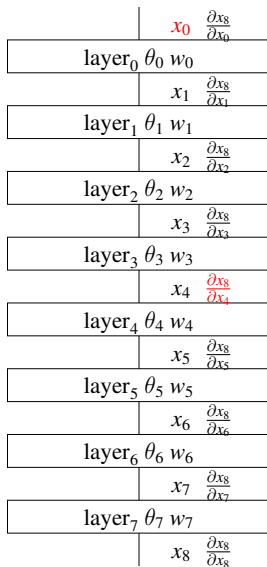
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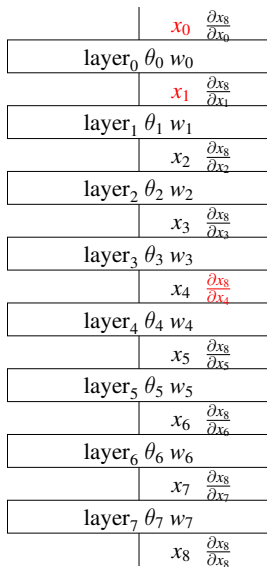
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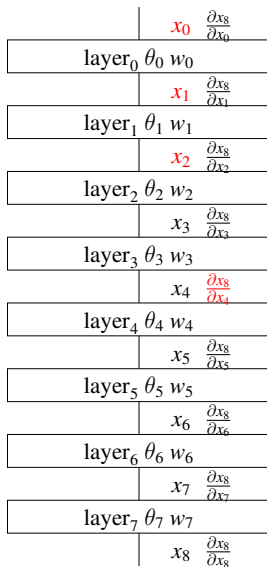
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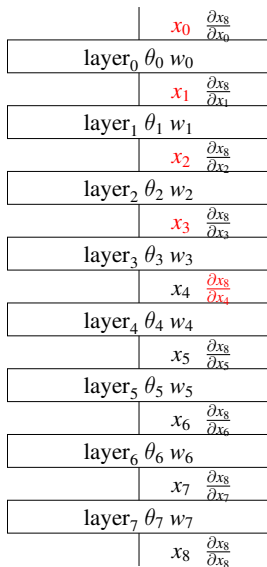
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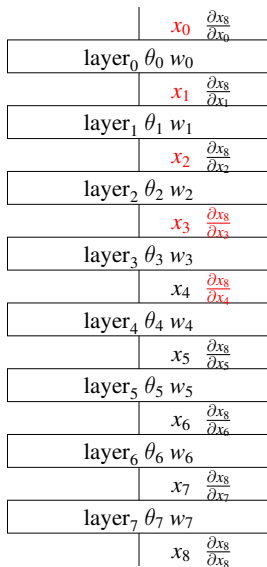
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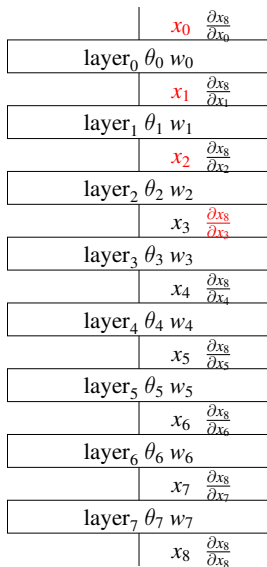
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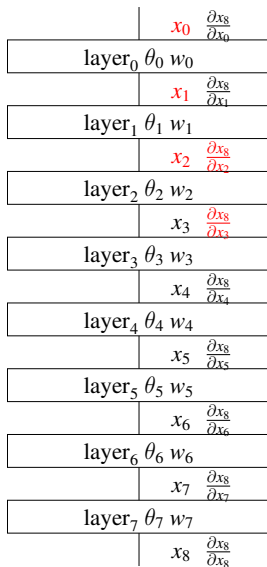
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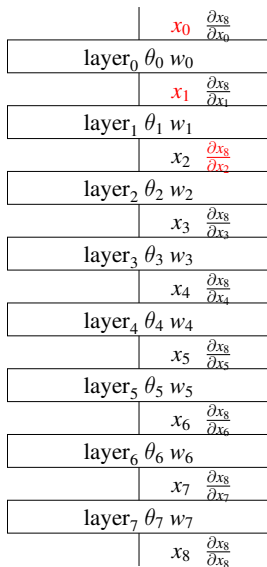
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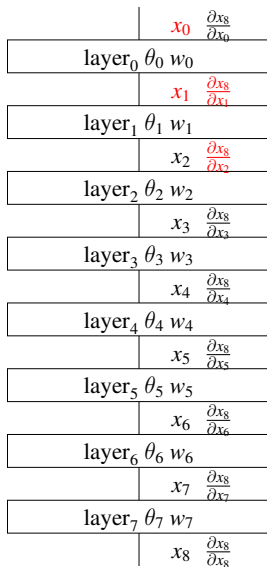
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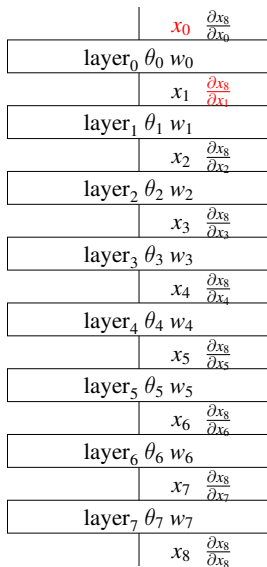
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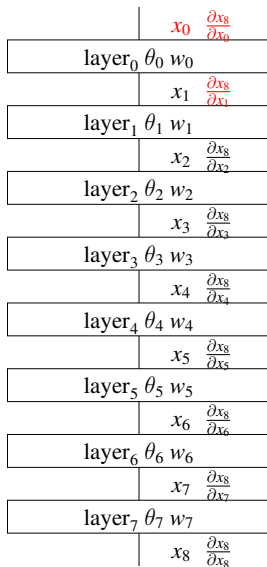
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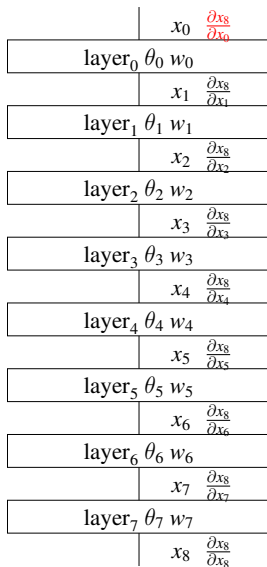
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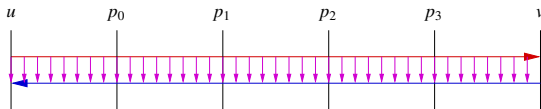
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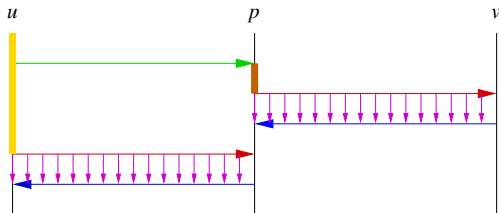
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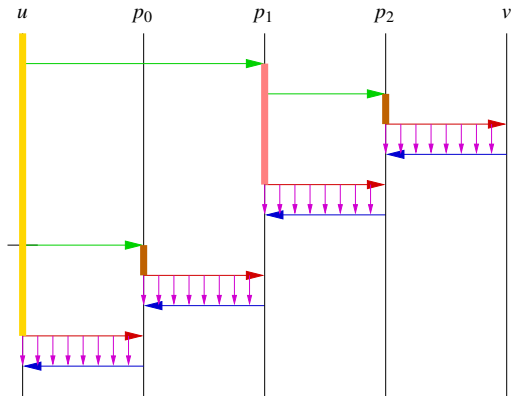
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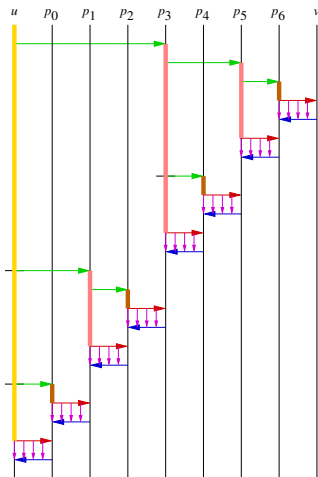
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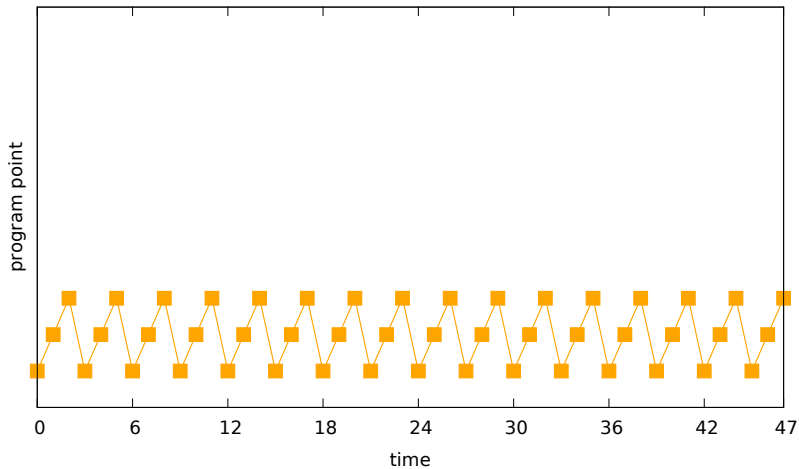
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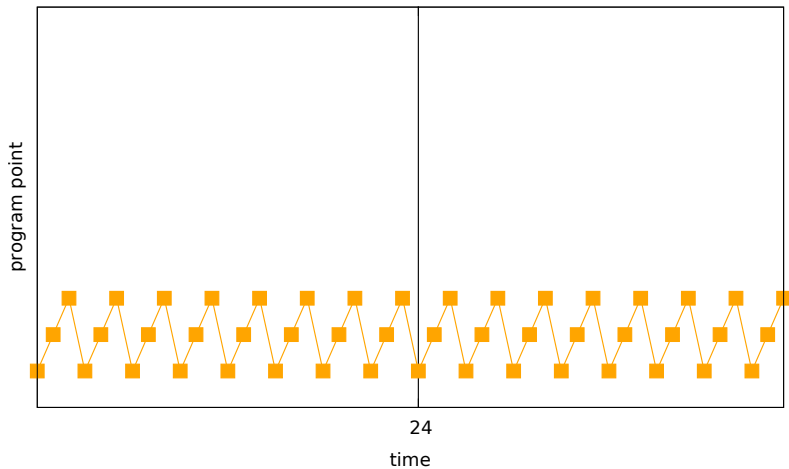
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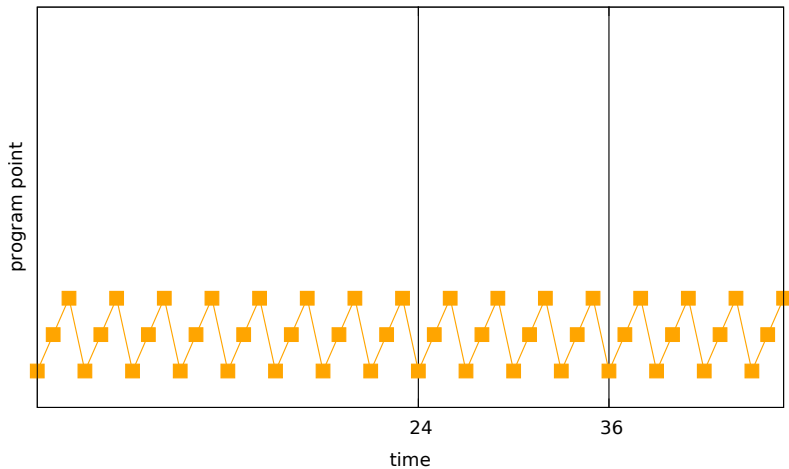
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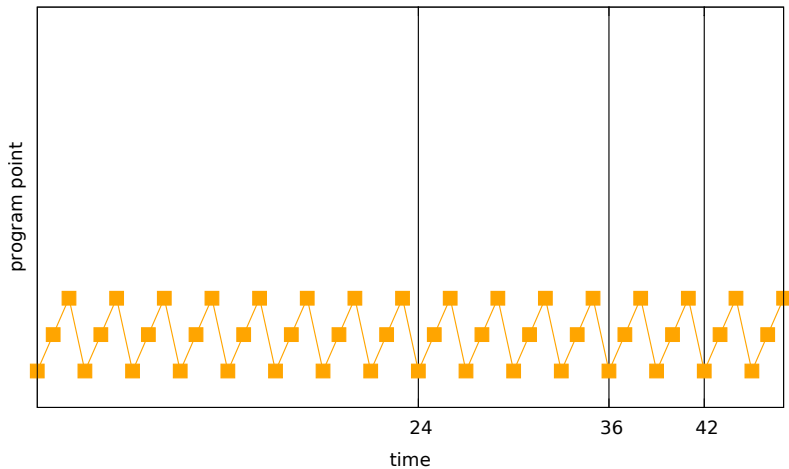
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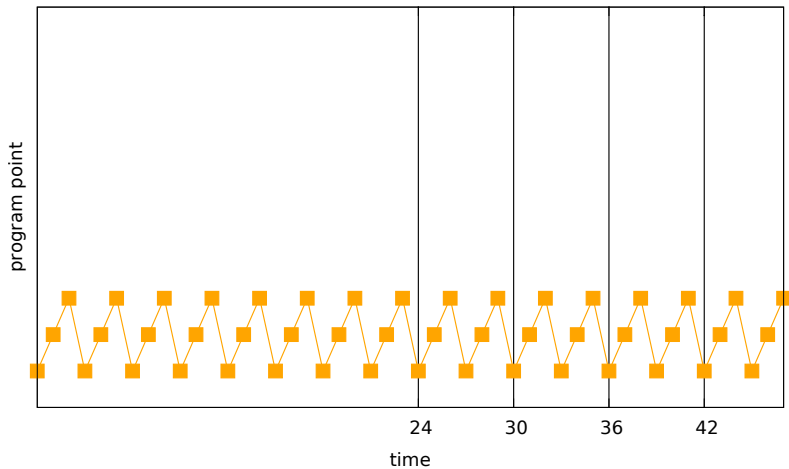
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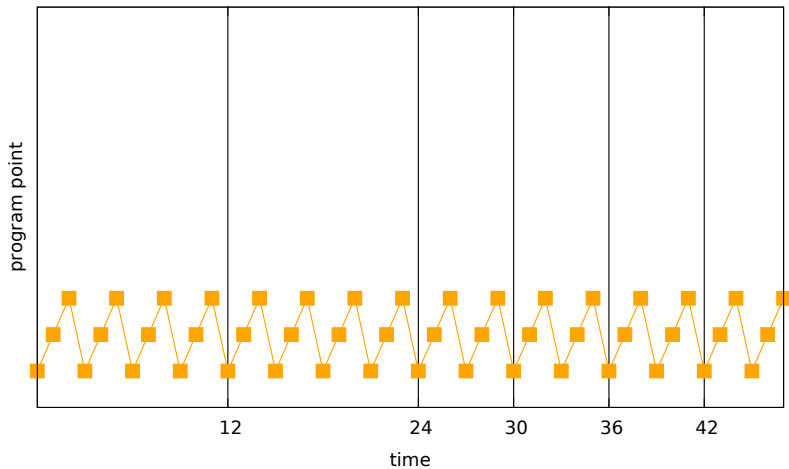
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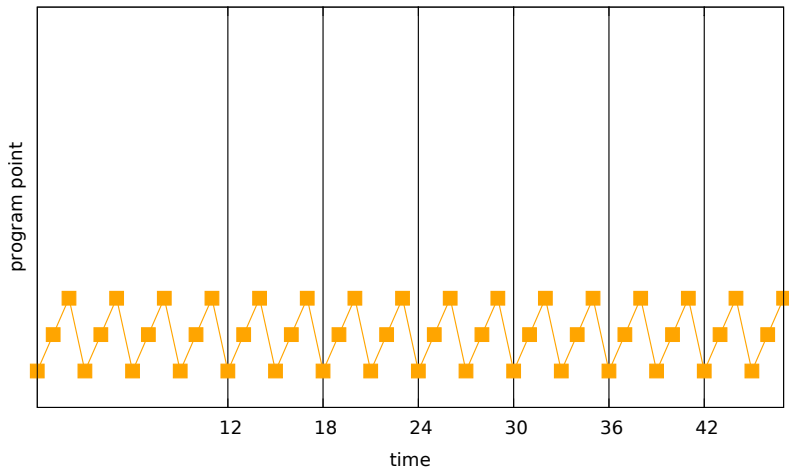
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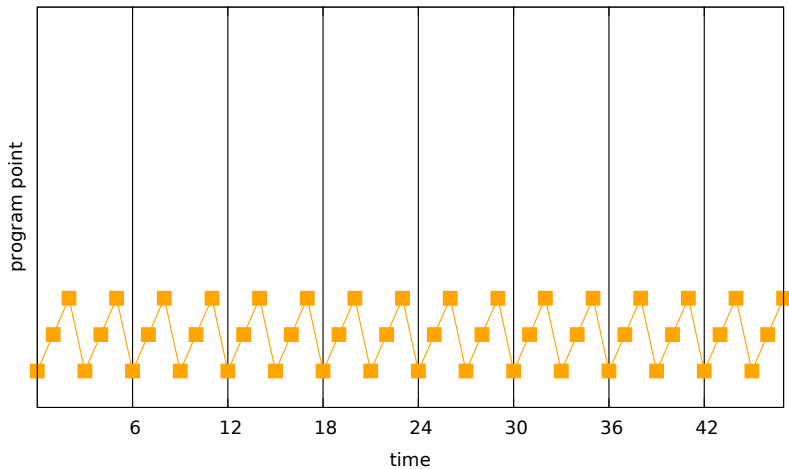
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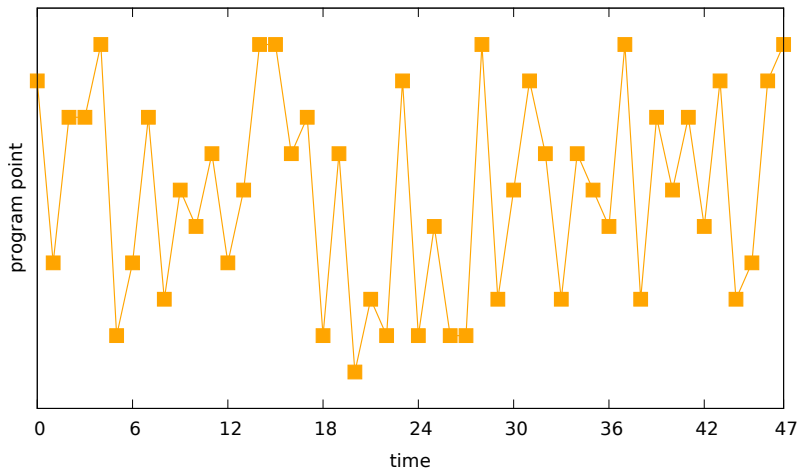


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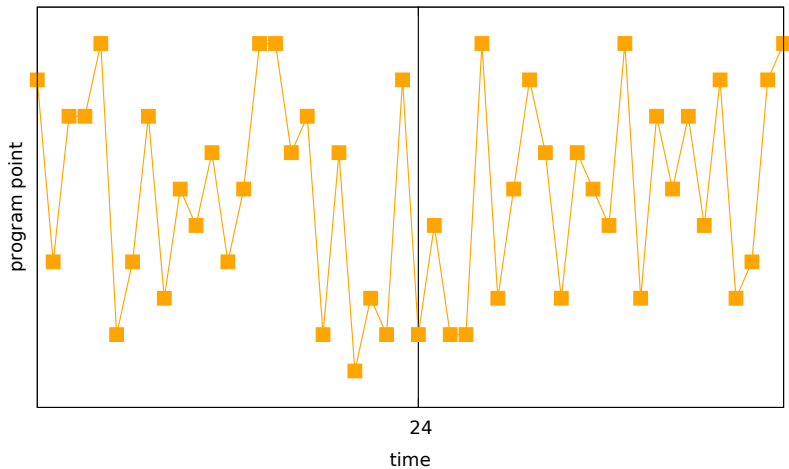


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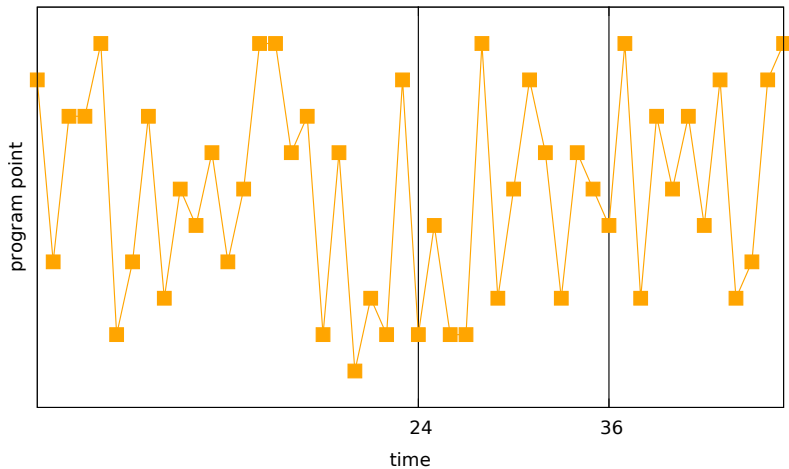
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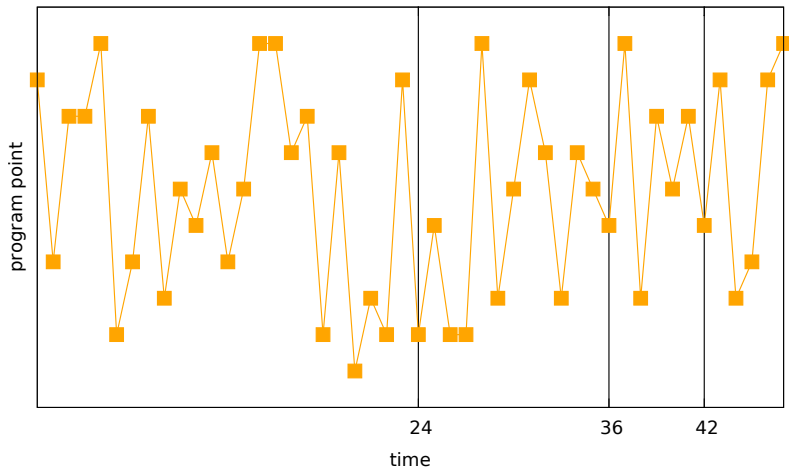
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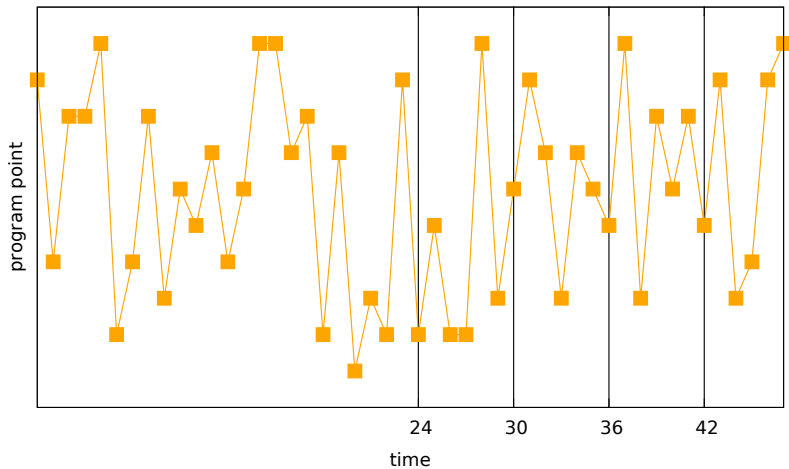
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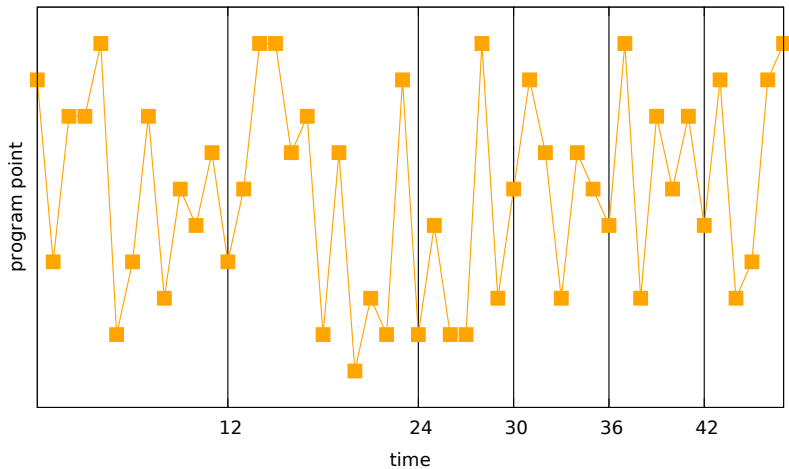
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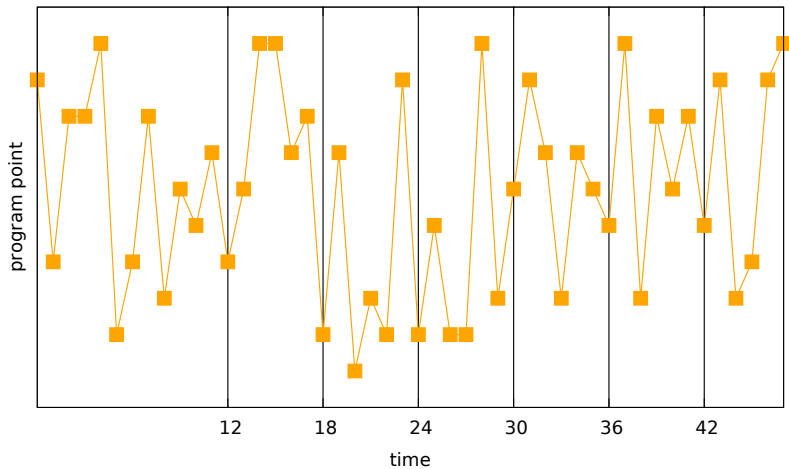
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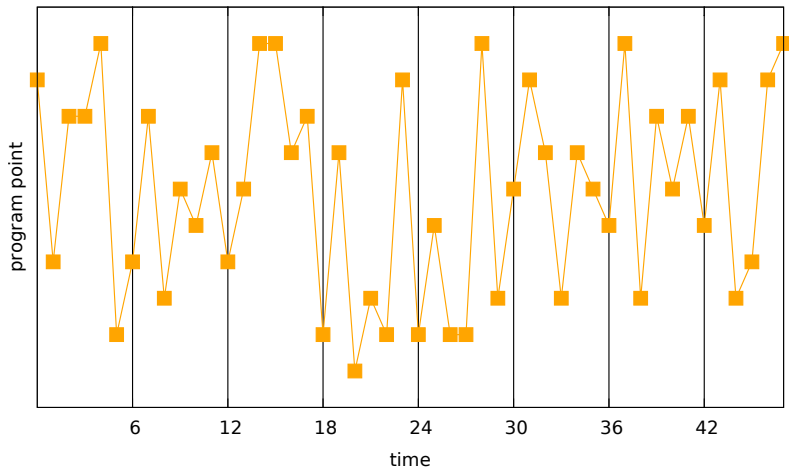
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Treading Step Counts and Limits in CPS Conversion

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 [(e_1 e_2)|k] &\rightsquigarrow [e_1|(\lambda \quad x_1. \\
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 $\mathcal{S} \pi \text{ true} = \text{true\_constant}$   
 $\mathcal{S} \pi \text{ false} = \text{false\_constant}$   
 $\mathcal{S} \pi (c_1, c_2) = \text{cons}((\mathcal{S} \pi c_1), (\mathcal{S} \pi c_1))$   
   $\mathcal{S} \pi n$   
 $\mathcal{S} \pi \text{ 'k' } = \text{continuation}$   
 $\mathcal{S} \pi \text{ 'n' } = \text{count}$   
 $\mathcal{S} \pi \text{ 'l' } = \text{limit}$   
 $\mathcal{S} \pi \text{ 'x' } = \text{argument}$   
   $\mathcal{S} \pi x = \text{as\_closure}(\text{target}) \rightarrow \text{environment} [\pi x]$ 
```

Code Generation

```
 $S \pi (\lambda_3 n l x. e) = ( \{$   
  thing function(thing target,  
                  thing count,  
                  thing limit,  
                  thing argument) {  
  return ( $S (\phi e) e$ );  
  }  
  thing lambda = (thing)GC_malloc(sizeof(struct {  
    enum tag tag;  
    struct {  
      thing (*function) ();  
      unsigned n;  
      thing environment [ $|\phi e|$ ];  
    }));  
  }  
  set_closure(lambda);  
  as_closure(lambda)->function = &function;  
  as_closure(lambda)->n =  $|\phi e|$ ;  
  as_closure(lambda)->environment[0] =  $S \pi (\phi e)_0$   
  :  
  as_closure(lambda)->environment [ $|\phi e| - 1$ ] =  $S \pi (\phi e)_{|\phi e| - 1}$   
  lambda;  
  })
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```
 $\mathcal{S} \pi (\lambda_4 k n l x.e) = (\{$   
  thing function(thing target,  
                 thing continuation,  
                 thing count,  
                 thing limit,  
                 thing argument) {  
  return ( $\mathcal{S} (\phi e) e$ );  
  }  
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$$\begin{aligned}\text{PRIMOPS } f \ x &= \mathcal{A} (\lambda n \ l \ v.n) \ 0 \ \infty \ f \ x \\ \text{INTERRUPT } f \ x \ l &= \mathcal{A} (\lambda n \ l \ v.v) \ 0 \ l \ f \ x \\ \text{RESUME } \llbracket k, f \rrbracket &= \mathcal{A} \ k \ 0 \ \infty \ f \ \perp\end{aligned}$$

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```
static thing lambda_expression_that_returns_x
(thing f, thing n, thing l, thing x) {
    return x;
}

static thing lambda_expression_that_returns_n
(thing f, thing n, thing l, thing x) {
    return n;
}

static thing lambda_expression_that_resumes
(thing f, thing continuation, thing n, thing l, thing x) {
    if (!is_interrupt(x)) internal_error();
    return converted_apply(as_interrupt(x)->closure,
                           as_interrupt(x)->continuation,
                           make_real(0.0),
                           l,
                           null_constant);
}
```

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```
static unsigned long primops(thing f, thing x) {
    thing result = converted_apply(f,
                                   continuation_that_returns_n,
                                   make_real(0.0),
                                   make_real(HUGE_VAL),
                                   x);
    else if (is_real(result)) return (unsigned long)as_real(result);
}

static thing interrupt(thing f, thing x, thing l) {
    thing result = converted_apply(f,
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    if (!is_interrupt(result)) internal_error();
    return result;
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To compute $(y, \dot{x}) = \check{\mathcal{J}} f(x, \dot{y})$:

base case ($f(x)$ fast): $(y, \dot{x}) = \overleftarrow{\mathcal{J}} f(x, \dot{y})$ (step 0)

inductive case: $h \circ g = f$ (step 1)

$z = g(x)$ (step 2)

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```
static thing checkpoint_starj(thing f, thing x, thing y_cotangent)
{
  thing loop(thing f, thing x, thing y_cotangent, unsigned long l) {
    if (l<=base_case_duration) return ternary_starj(f, x, y_cotangent);
    else {
      thing u = interrupt(f, x, make_real(1/2));
      thing y_u_cotangent = loop(closure_that_resumes, u, y_cotangent, l-1/2);
      if (!is_pair(y_u_cotangent)) internal_error();
      thing u_x_cotangent =
        loop(make_closure_for_interrupt(f, 1/2),
            x,
            as_pair(y_u_cotangent)->cdr,
            1/2);
      if (!is_pair(u_x_cotangent)) internal_error();
      return cons(as_pair(y_u_cotangent)->car,
                  as_pair(u_x_cotangent)->cdr);
    }
  }
  return loop(f, x, y_cotangent, primops(f, x));
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```
(define (car (cons car cdr)) car)

(define (cdr (cons car cdr)) cdr)

(define (matrix-rows a)
  (if (null? a) 0 (+ (matrix-rows (cdr a)) 1)))

(define (list-ref l i)
  (if (zero? i) (car l) (list-ref (cdr l) (- i 1))))

(define (matrix-ref a i j) (list-ref (list-ref a i) j))

(define (list-set l i x)
  (if (zero? i)
      (cons x (cdr l))
      (cons (car l) (list-set (cdr l) (- i 1) x))))

(define (matrix-set a i j x)
  (list-set a i (list-set (list-ref a i) j x)))

(define (map-n f n)
  (if (zero? n) '() (cons (f (- n 1)) (map-n f (- n 1)))))

(define (identity-matrix n)
  (map-n (lambda (i) (map-n (lambda (j) (if (= i j) 1 0)) n)) n))
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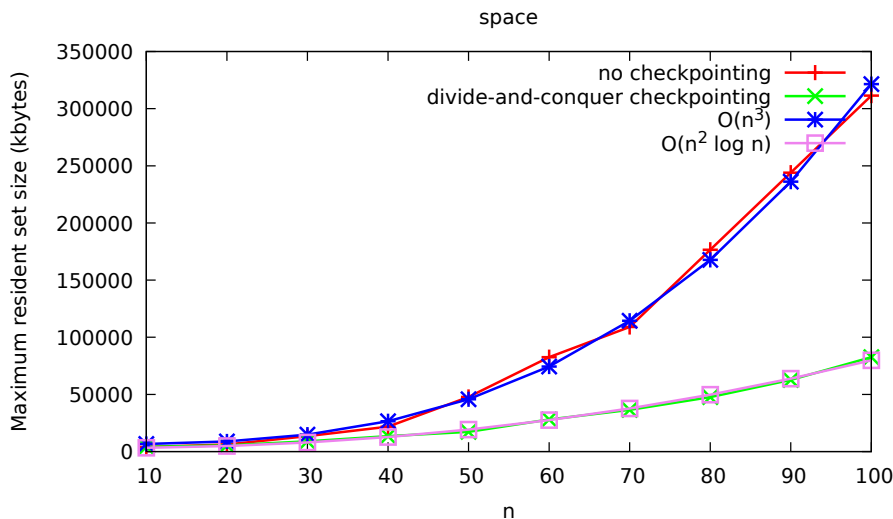
```
(define (determinant a)
  (let ((n (matrix-rows a)))
    (let loop ((i 0) (b a) (d 1))
      (if (= i n)
          d
          (let* ((c (matrix-ref b i i))
                 (b (let loop ((j i) (b b))
                      (if (= j n)
                          b
                          (loop (+ j 1) (matrix-set b i j (/ (matrix-ref b i j) c))))))
                (loop (+ i 1)
                      (let loop ((j (+ i 1)) (b b))
                        (if (= j n)
                            b
                            (loop (+ j 1)
                                    (let ((e (matrix-ref b j i)))
                                      (let loop ((k (+ i 1)) (b b))
                                        (if (= k n)
                                            b
                                            (loop (+ k 1)
                                                  (matrix-set b j k
                                                            (- (matrix-ref b j k)
                                                                (* e (matrix-ref b i k))))))))))))
                            (* d c)))))))

(write-real (determinant (cdr (checkpoint-*j determinant (identity-matrix (read-real) 1))))))
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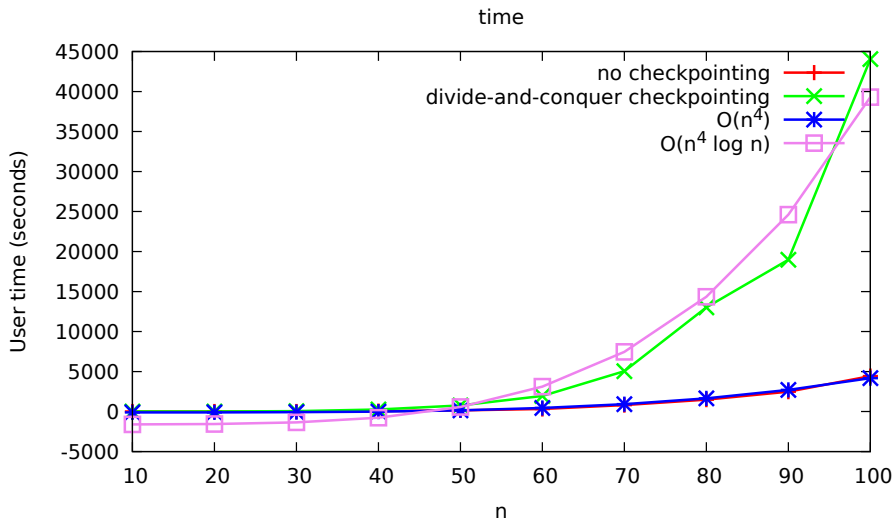
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	space	time
primal	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^4)$
no checkpointing	$O(n^3)$	$O(n^4)$
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