

An Optimal Semi-Partitioned Scheduler Assuming Arbitrary Affinity Masks

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Problem (Informal)

How to schedule a task set on an identical multiprocessor if some tasks have affinity constraints, so they can be scheduled only on specific cores?

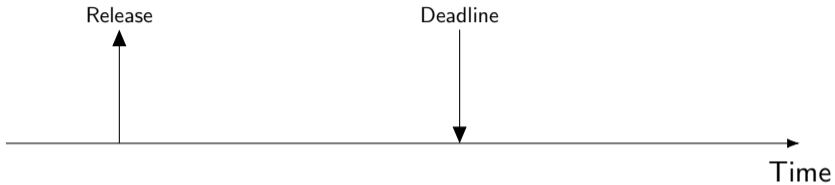
Outline:

- Necessary definitions
- Feasibility test
- Affinity reduction
- AM-Red scheduler

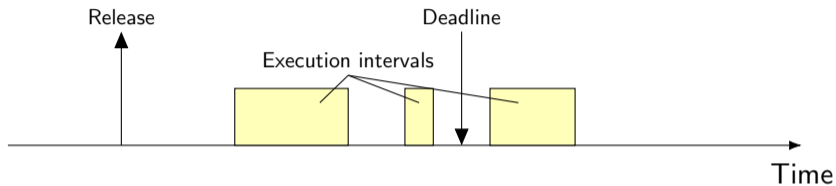
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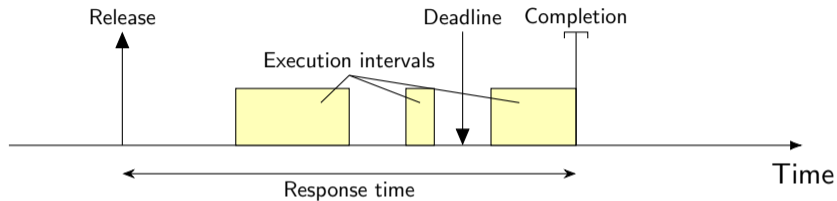


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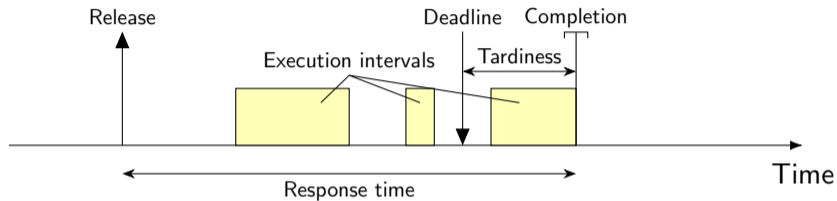


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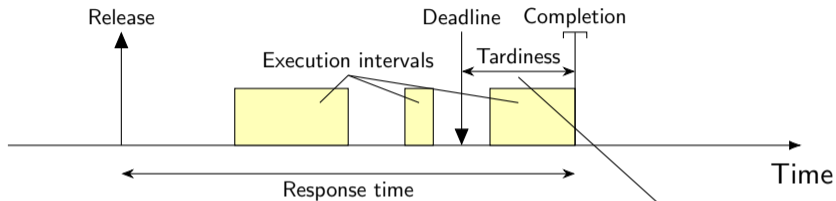


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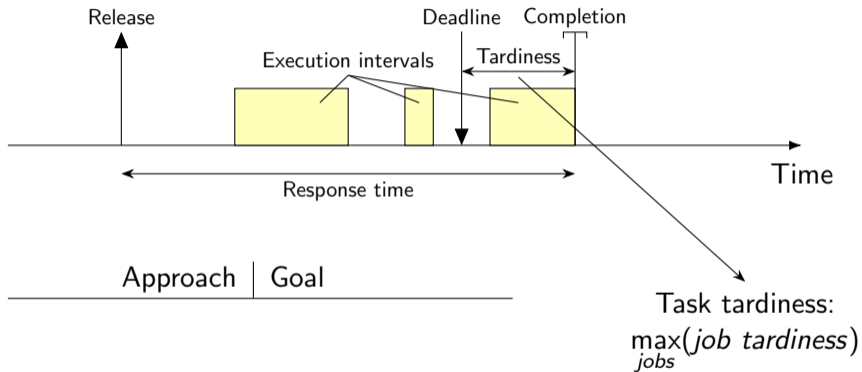


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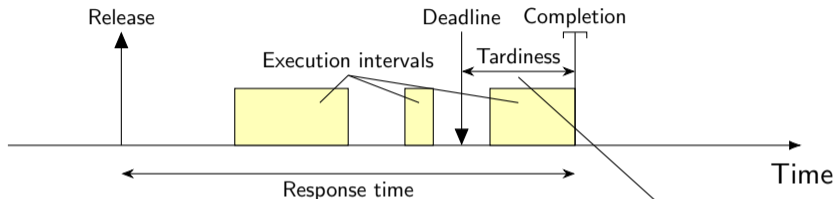
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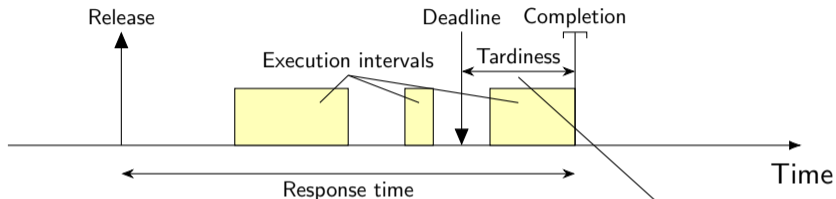


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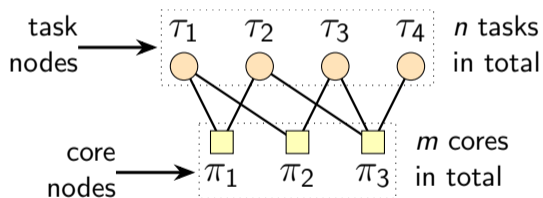
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Affinity Graph (AG)

Bipartite graph that shows affinity masks.



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Existing test[#]

LP-based, $\tilde{O}(mn(m+n)^{2.9})$

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[#]S. Baruah and B. Brandenburg, "Multiprocessor feasibility analysis of recurrent task systems with specified processor affinities", RTSS'13.



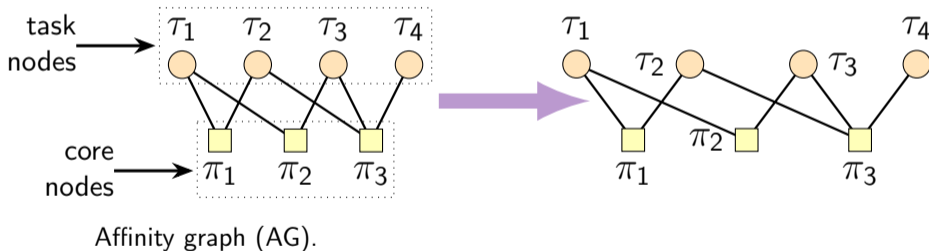
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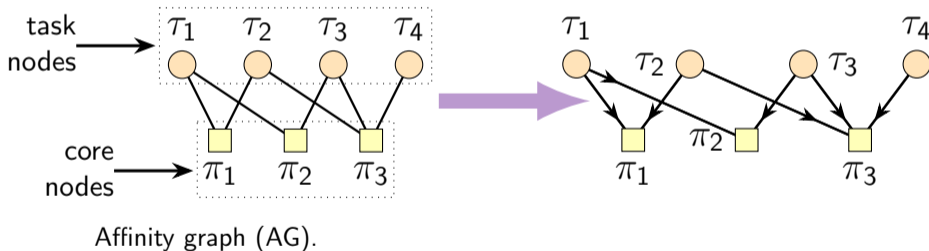


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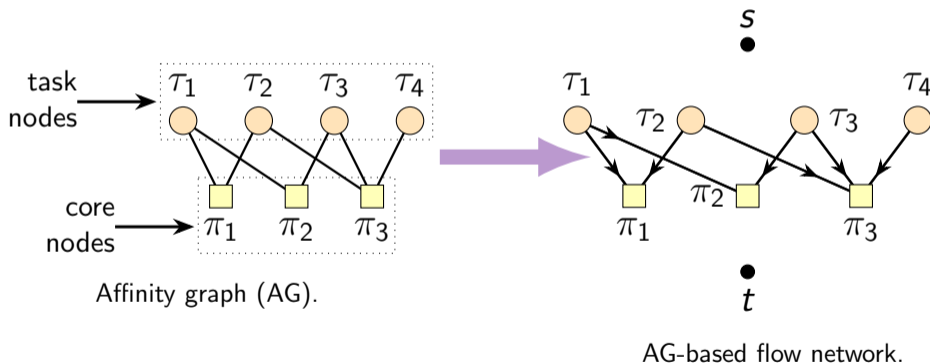


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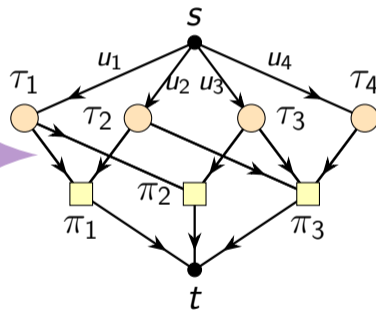
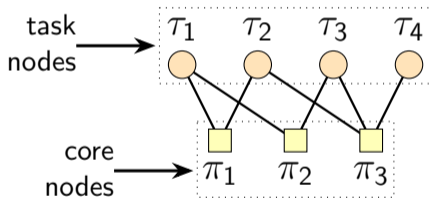
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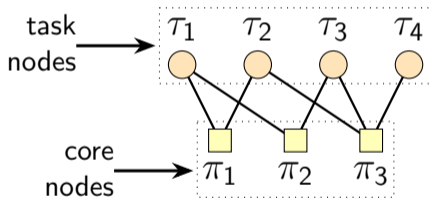
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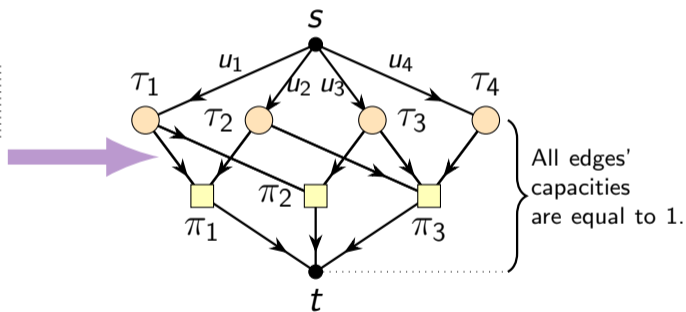


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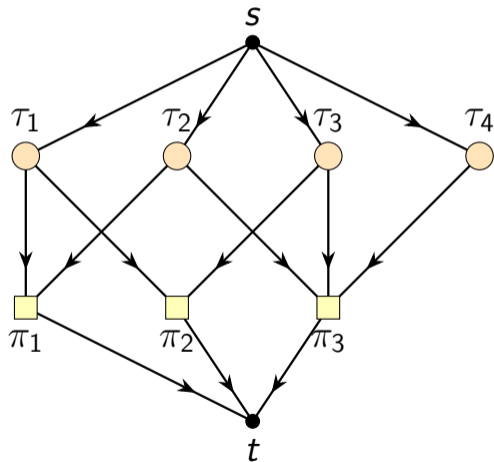
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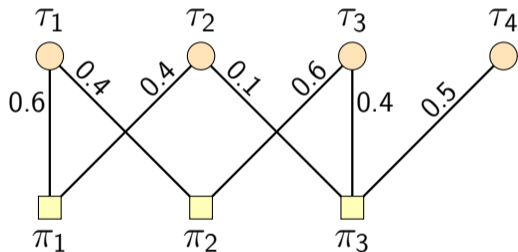
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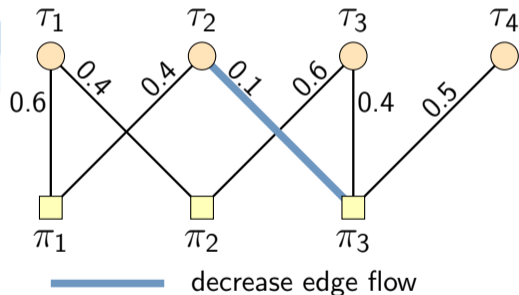
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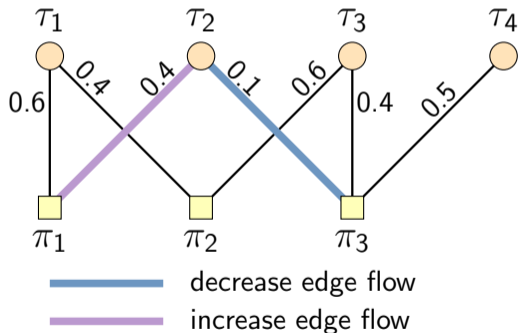
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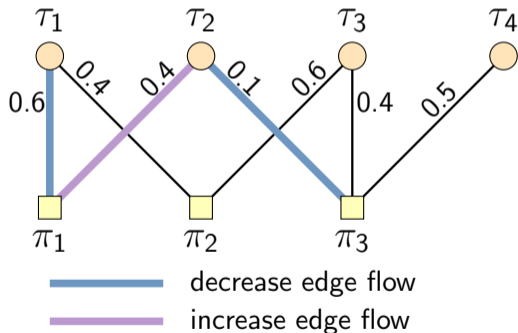
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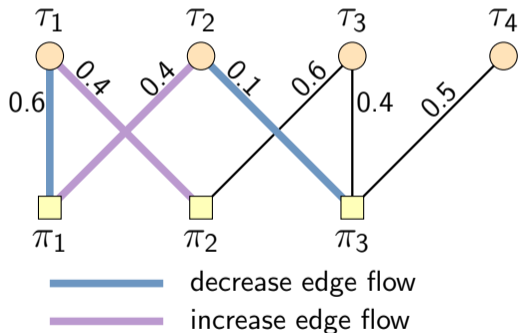
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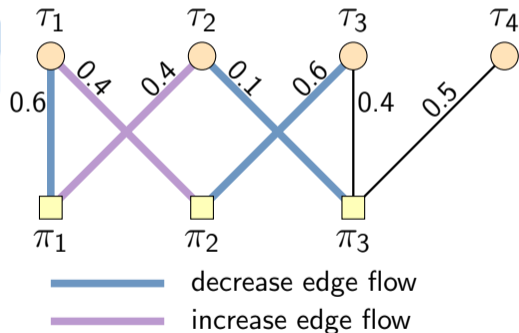
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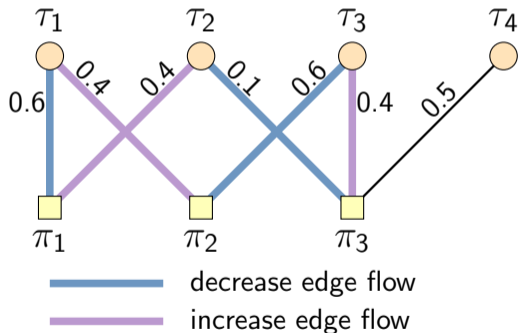
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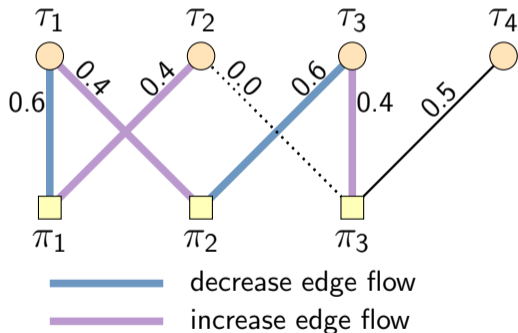
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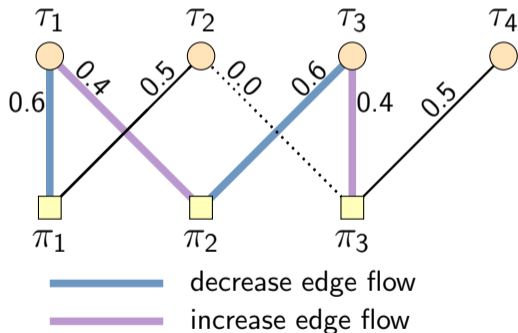


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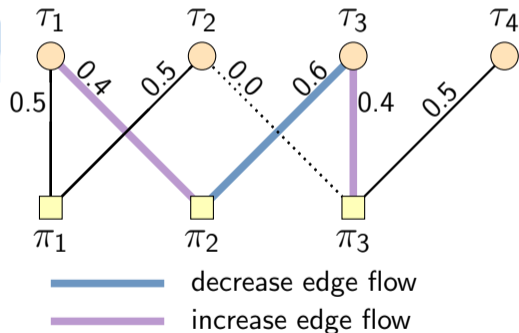
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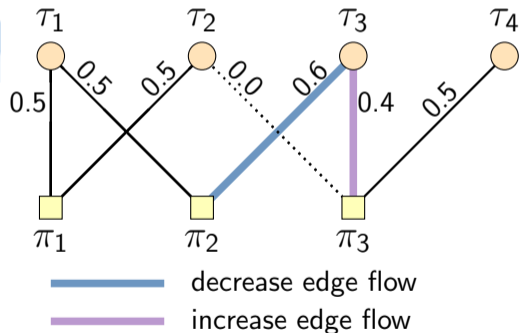
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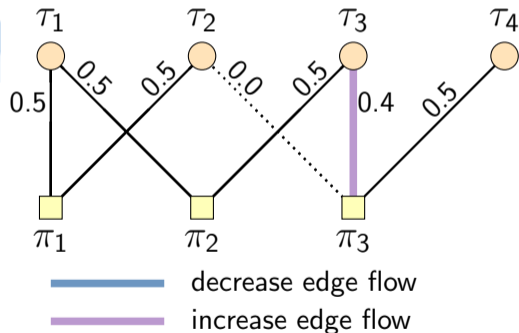
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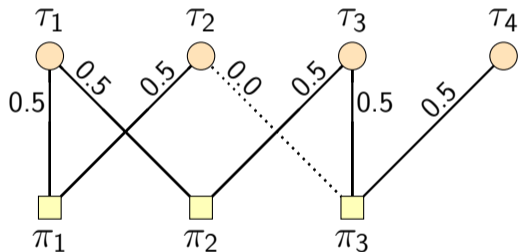
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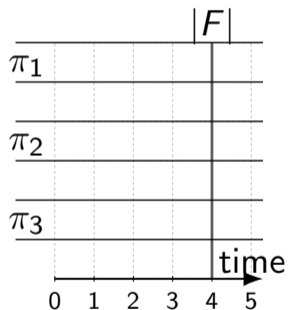
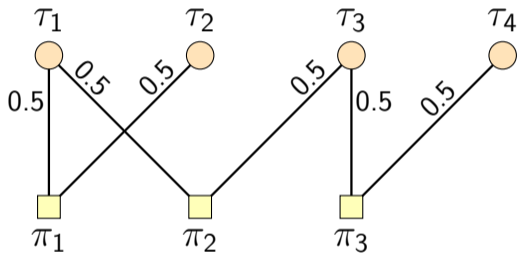
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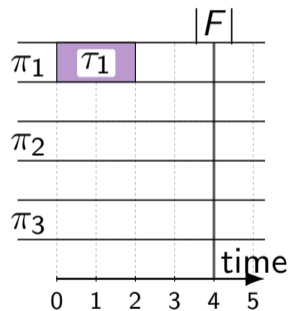
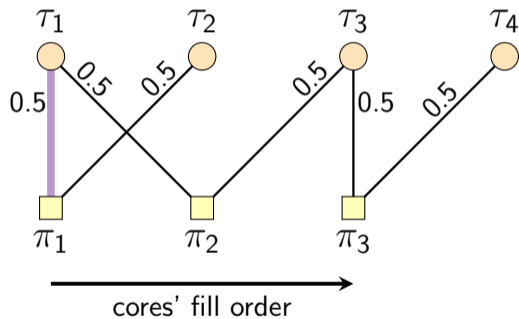
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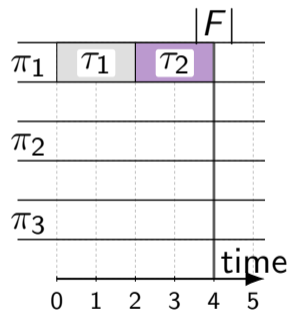
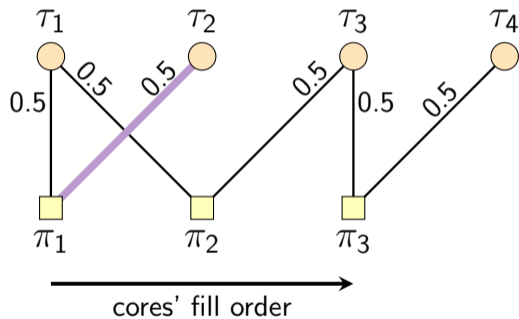


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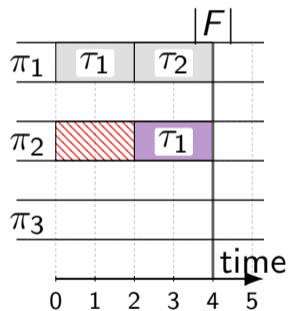
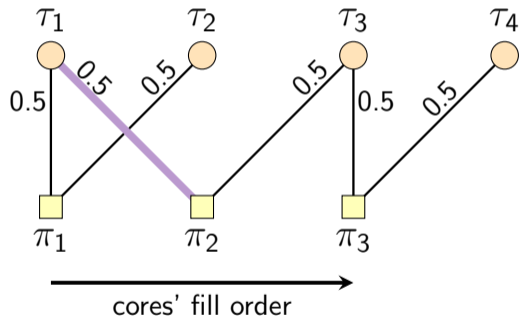




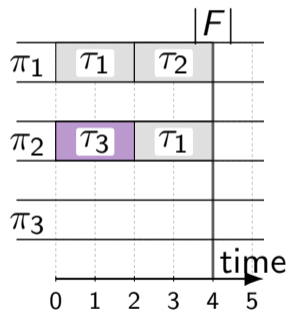
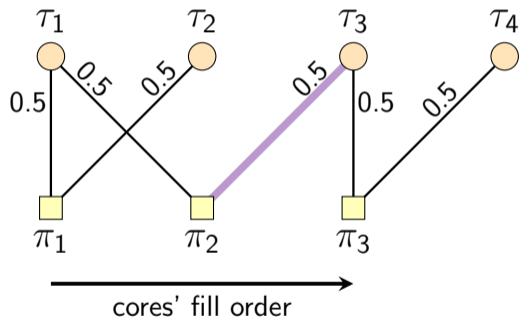
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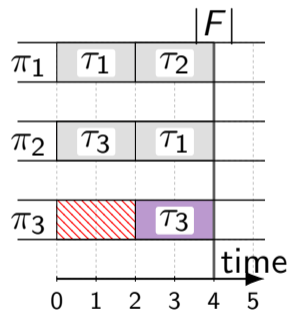
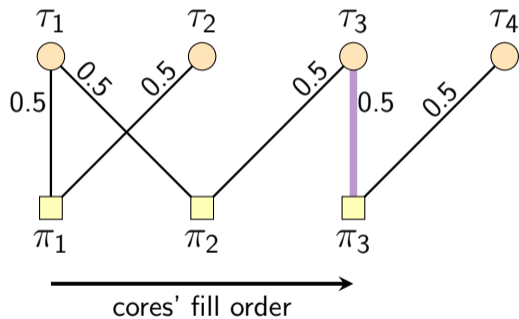
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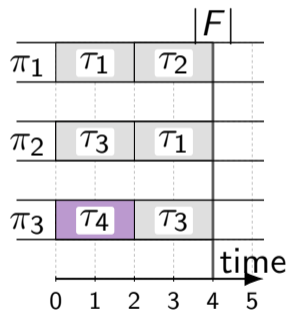
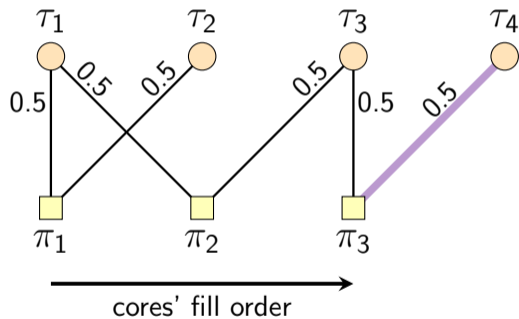
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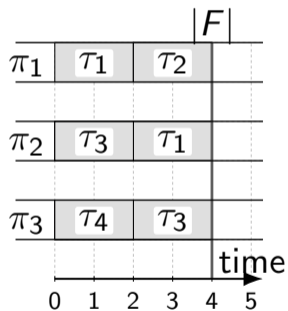
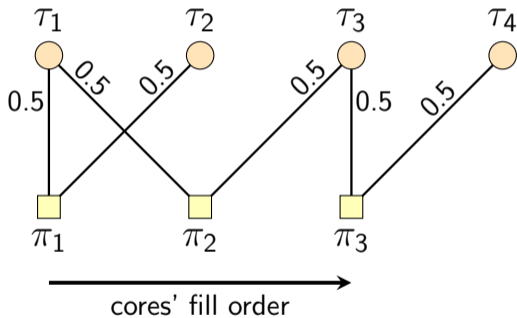
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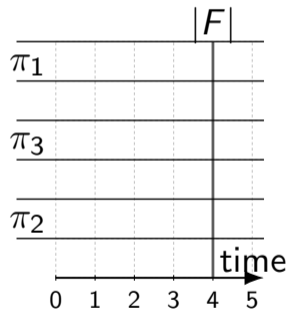
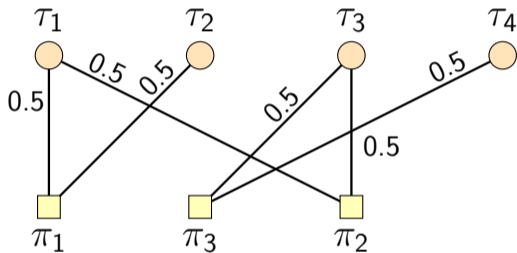
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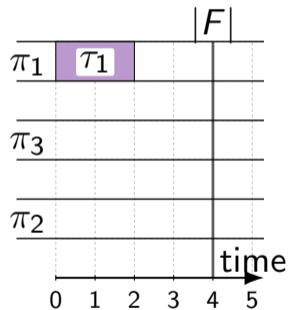
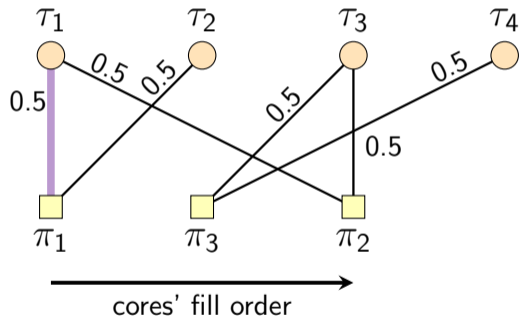
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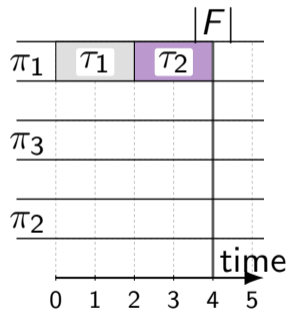
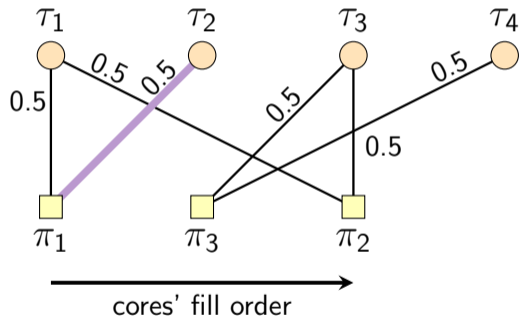
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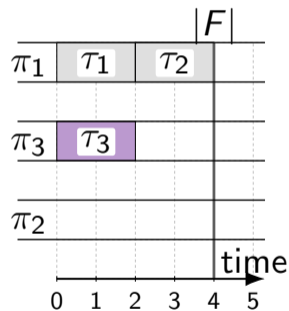
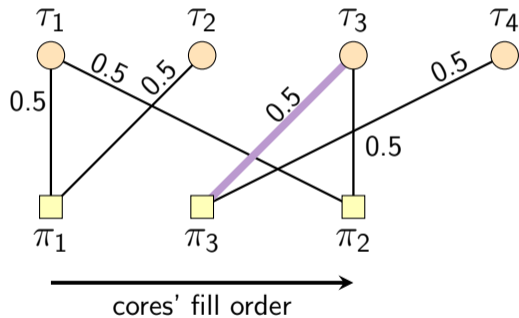
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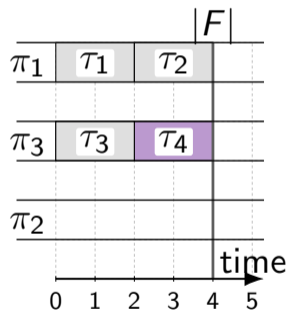
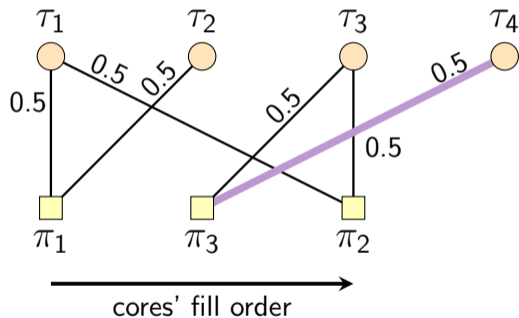


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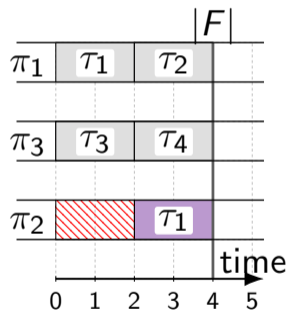
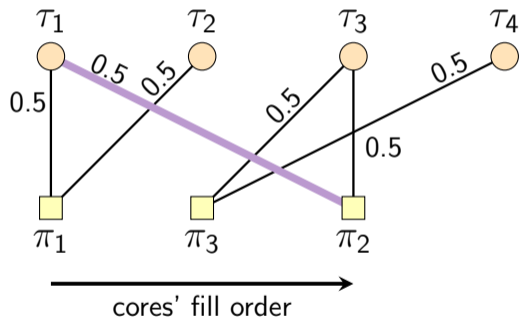




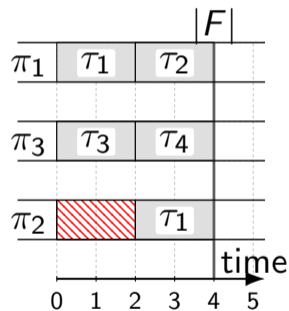
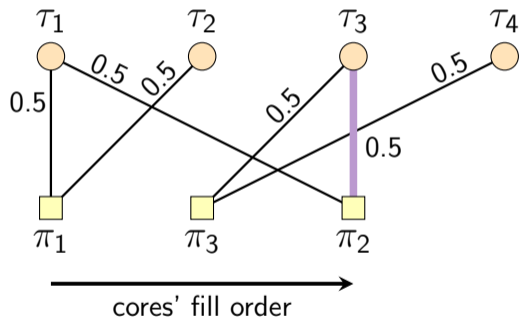
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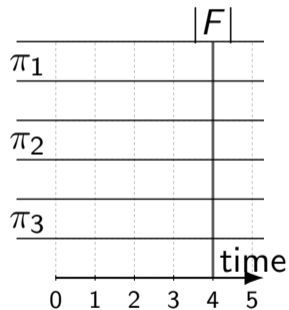
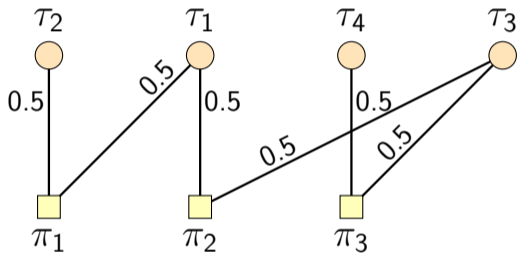
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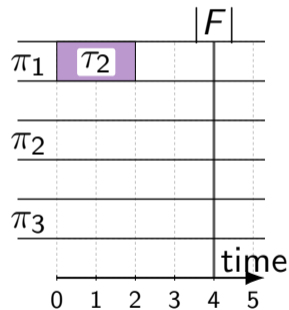
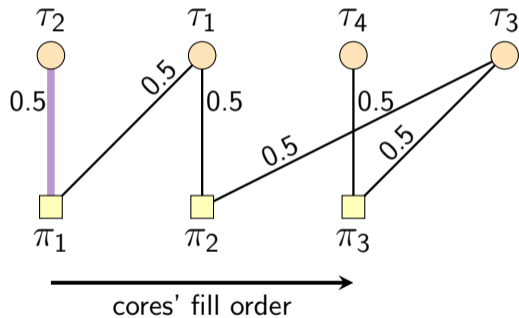
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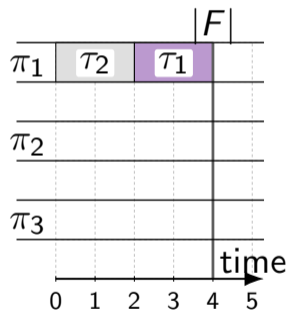
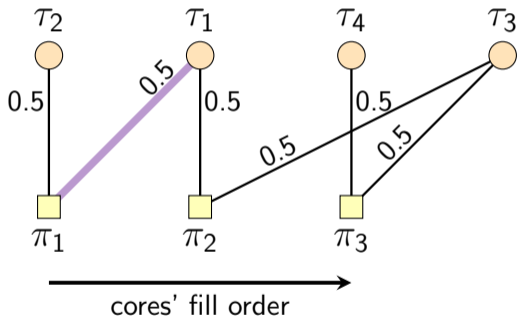
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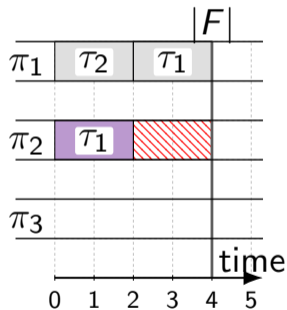
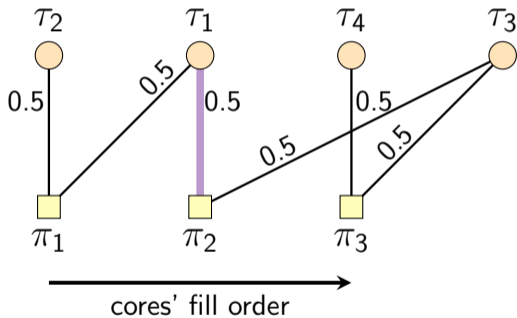
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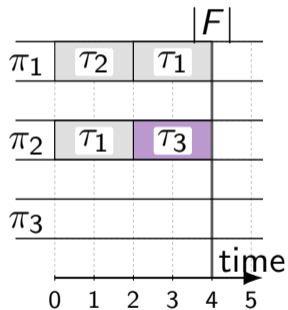
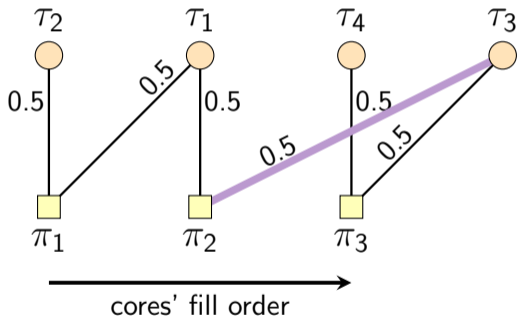
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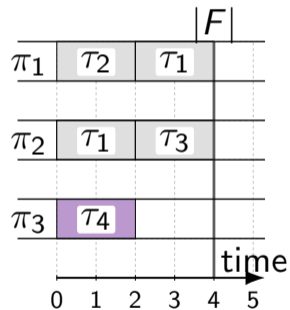
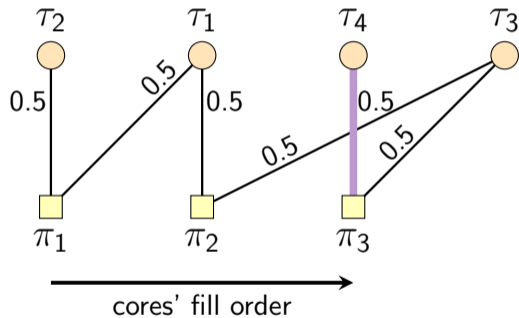
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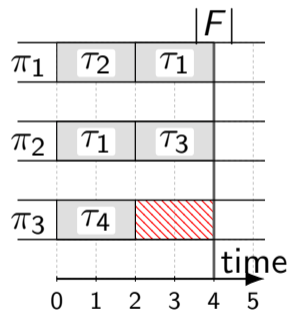
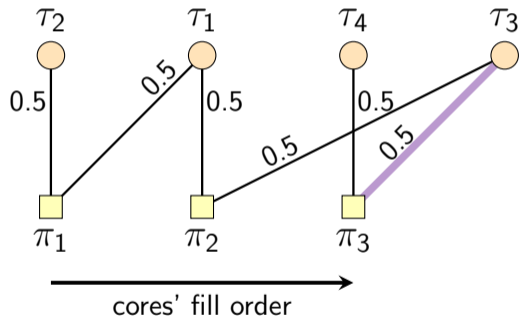
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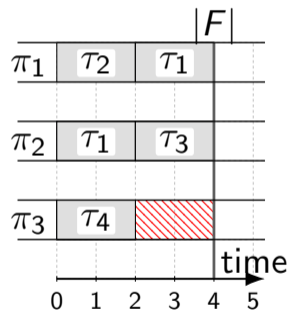
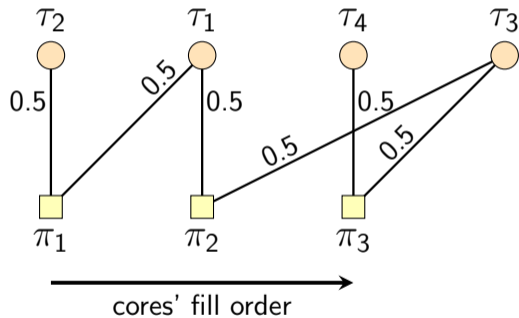
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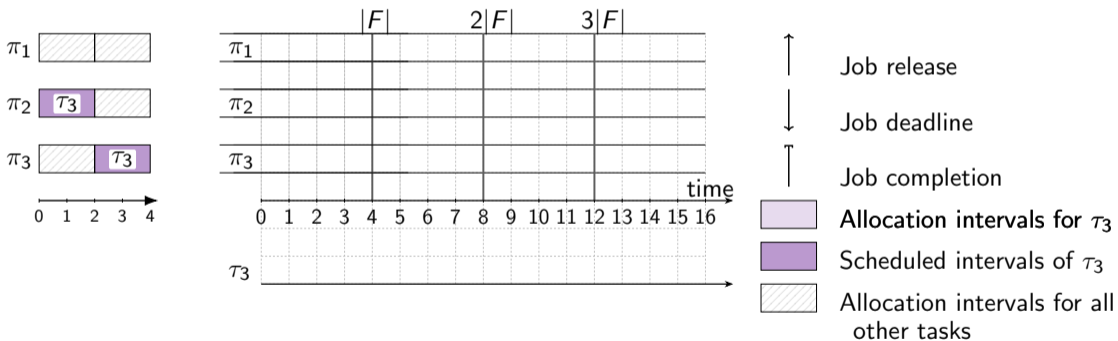
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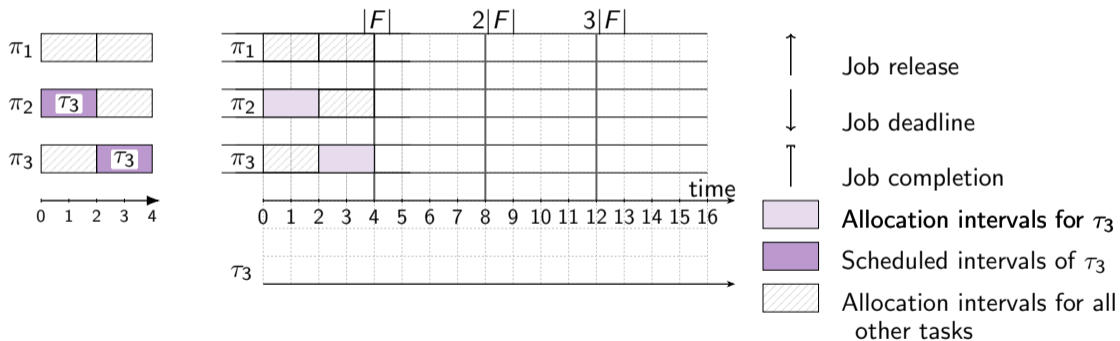
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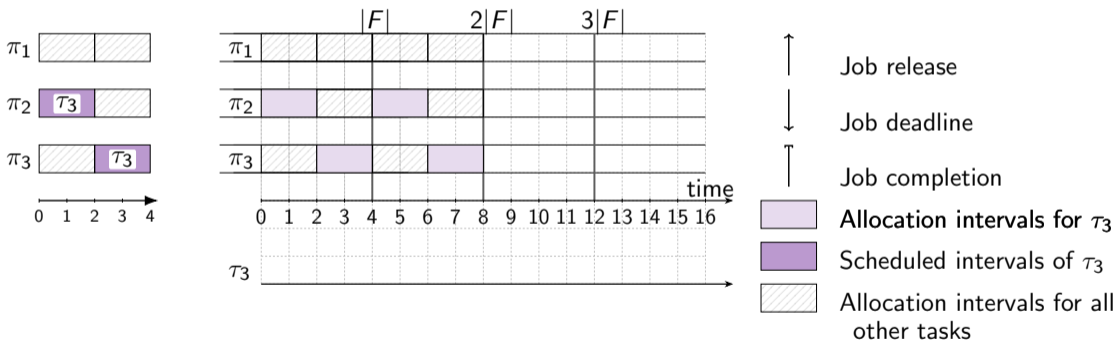
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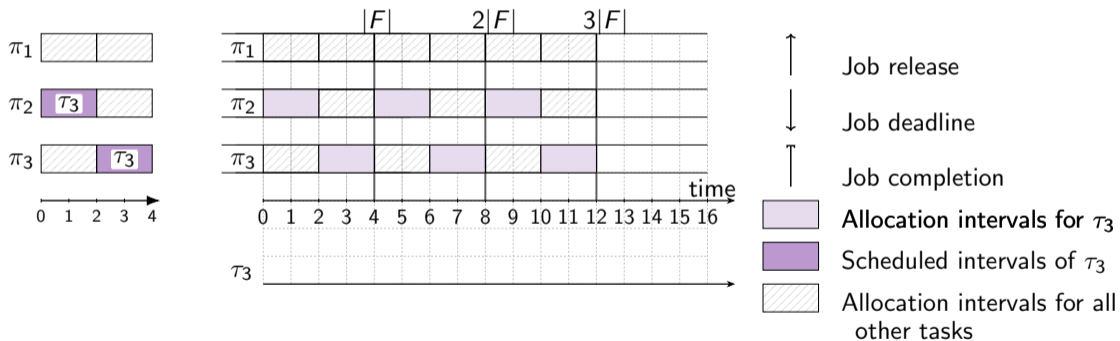
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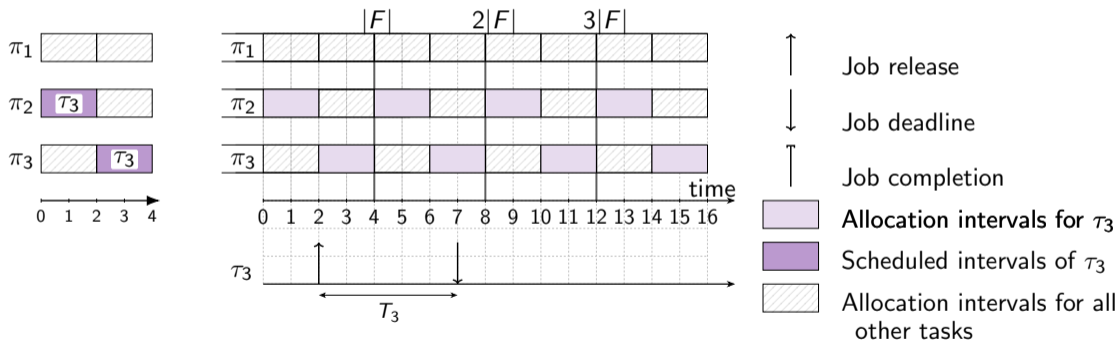
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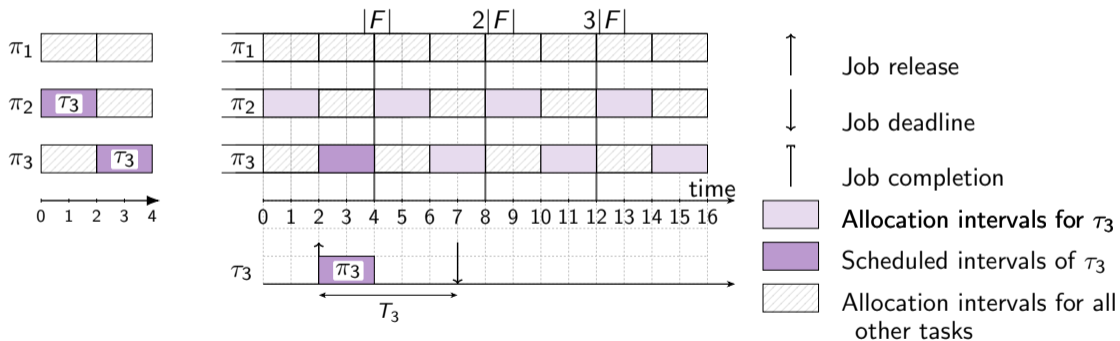
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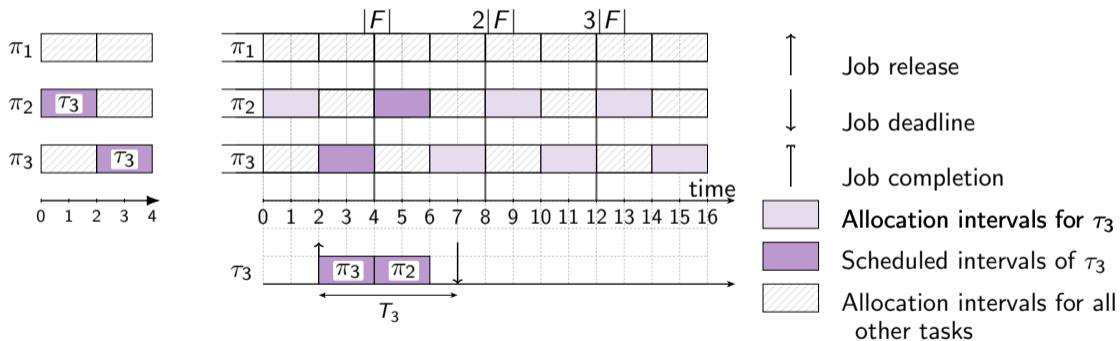
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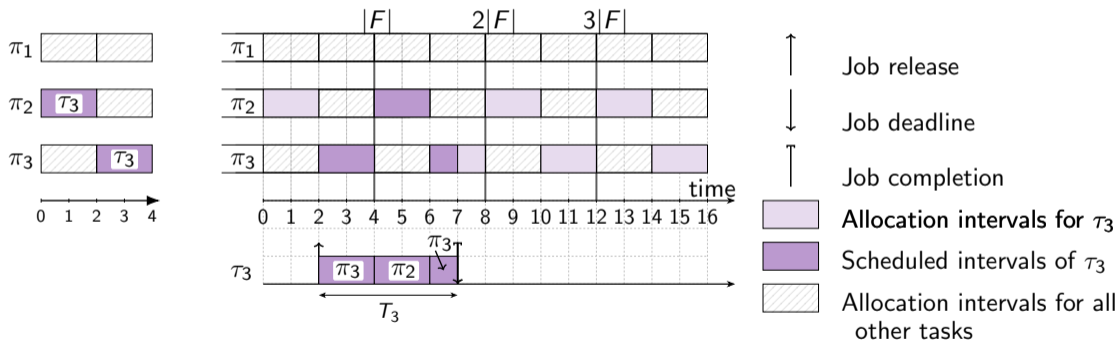
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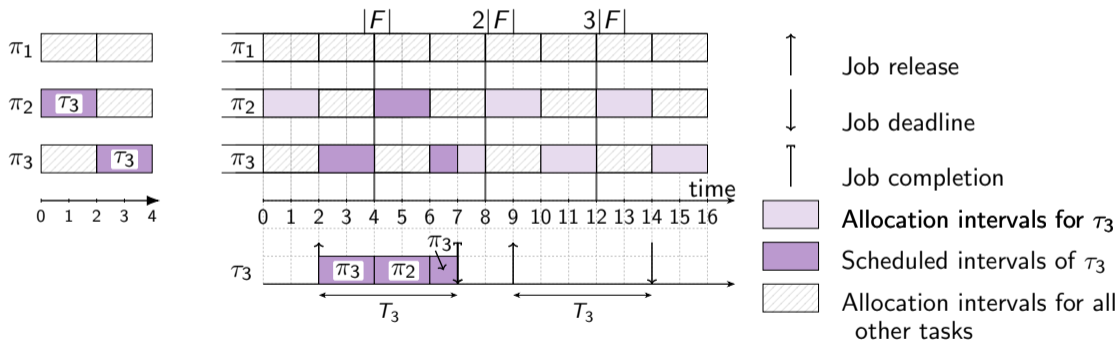
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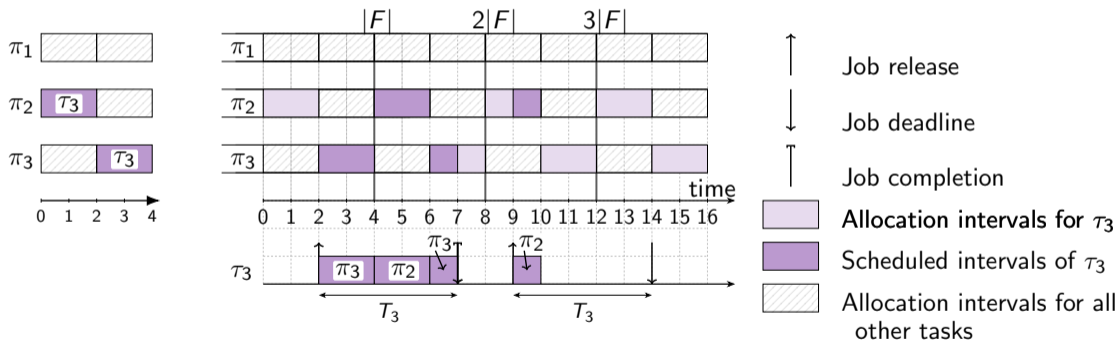
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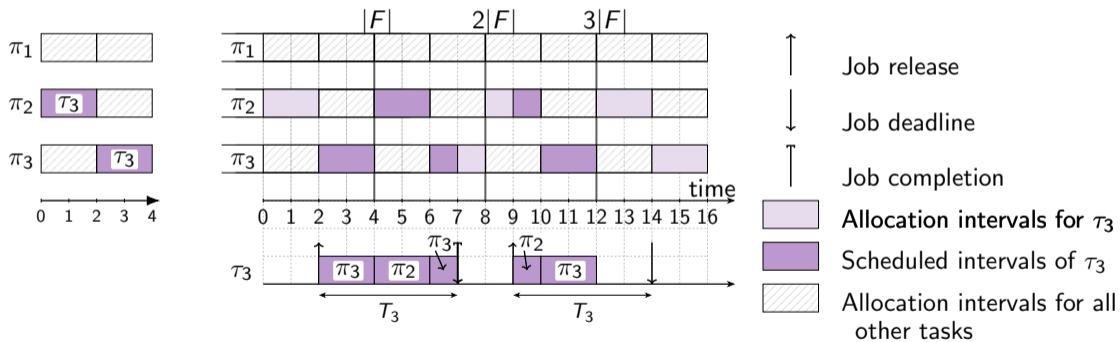
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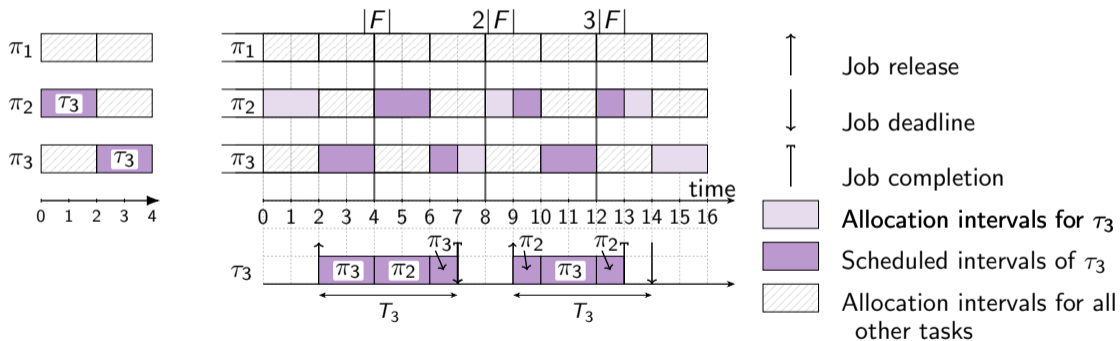
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