

Efficient Unfolding of Coloured Petri Nets using Interval Decision Diagrams

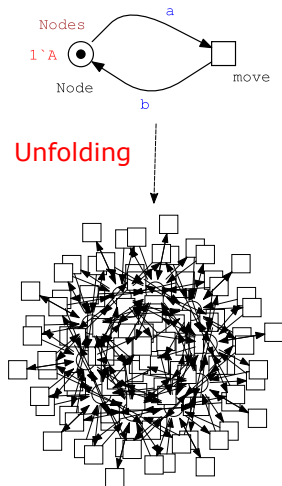
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Powerful modelling - Coloured Petri nets





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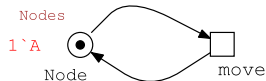
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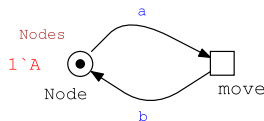
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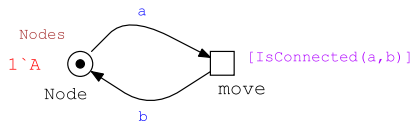
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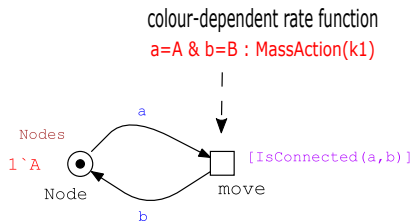
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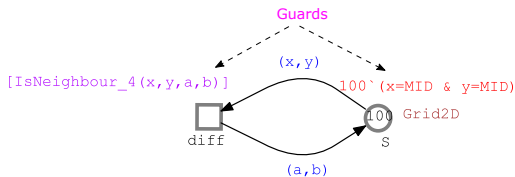
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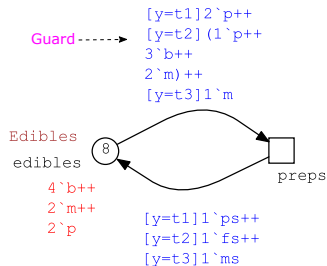
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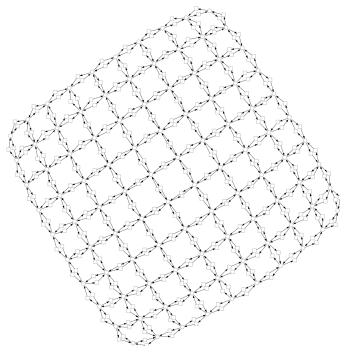
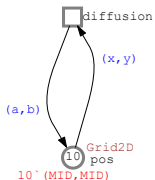
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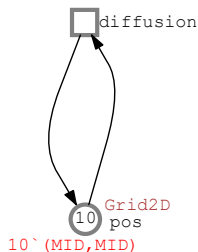
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- 2D Diffusion in space.

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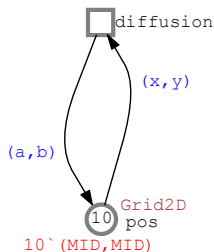
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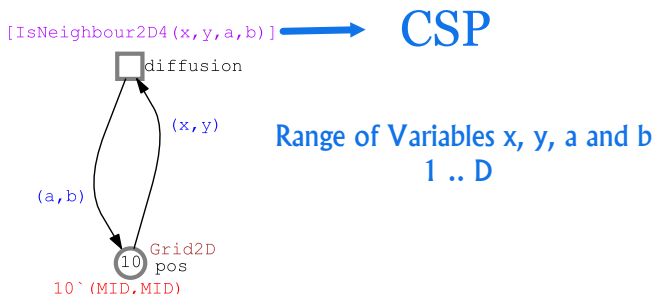
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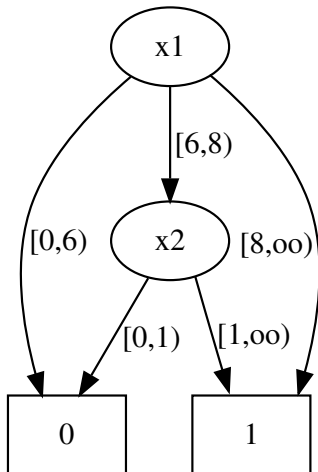


Interval decision diagrams \rightarrow CSP.



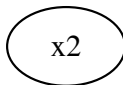
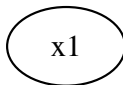
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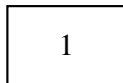
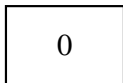
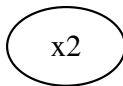
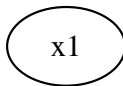
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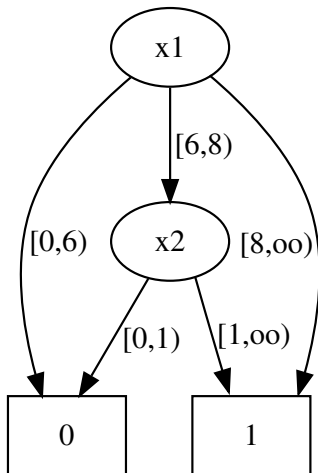
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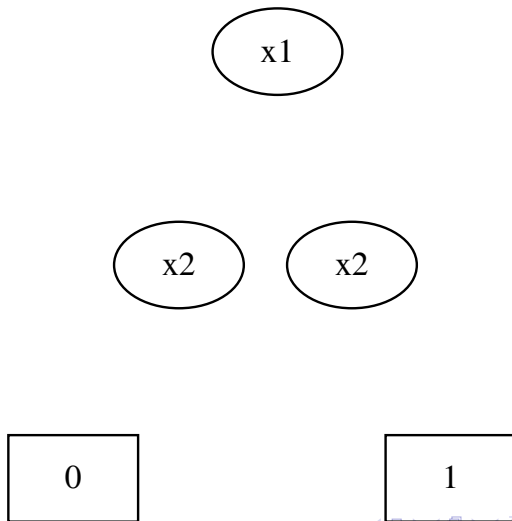
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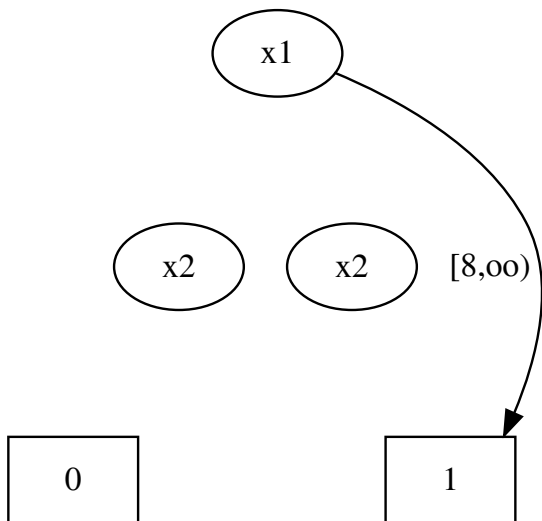
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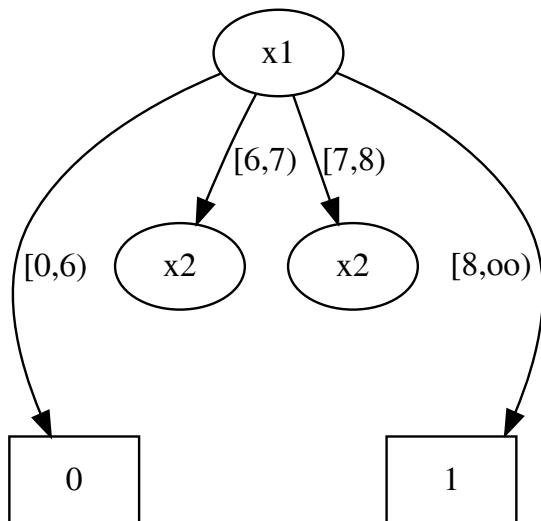
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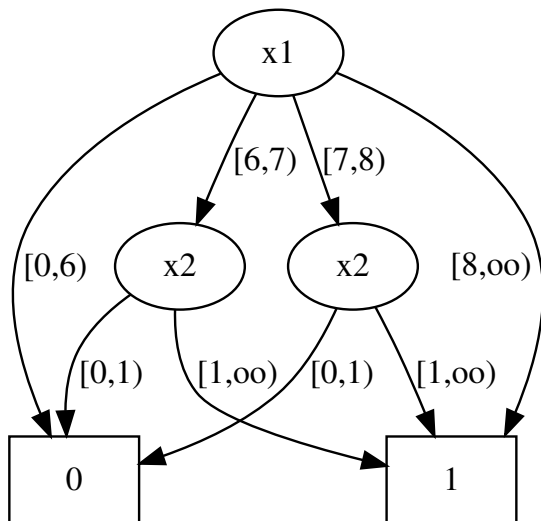
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- some intermediate screenshots.



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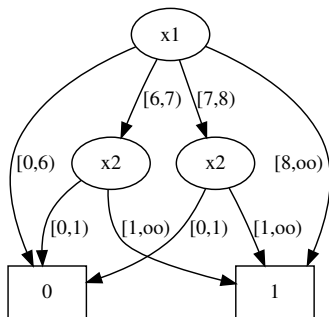
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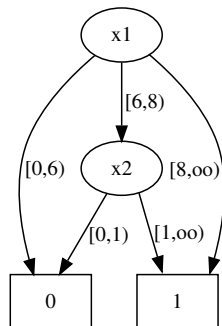
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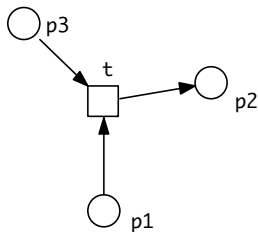
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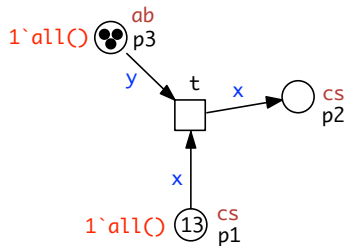
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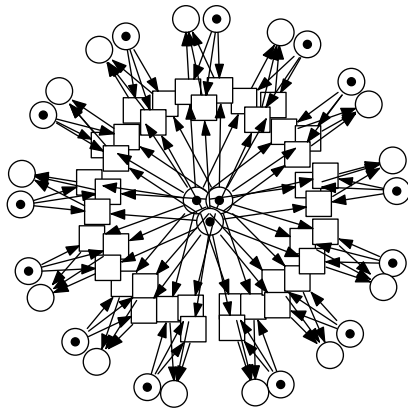
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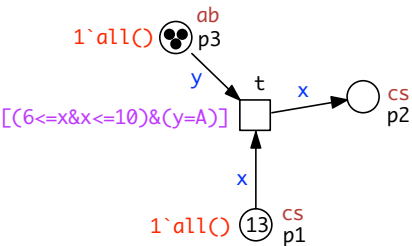
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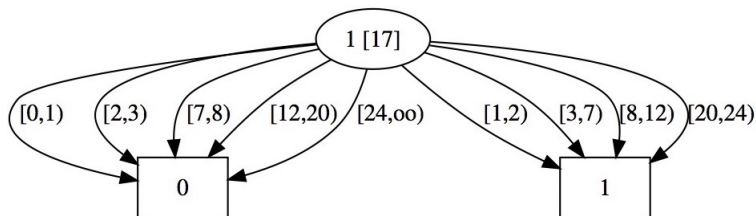
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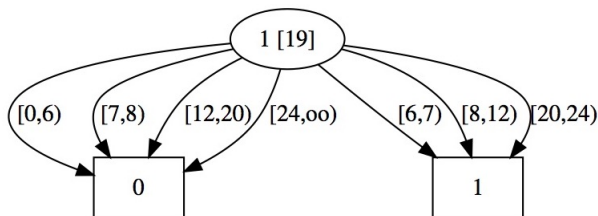
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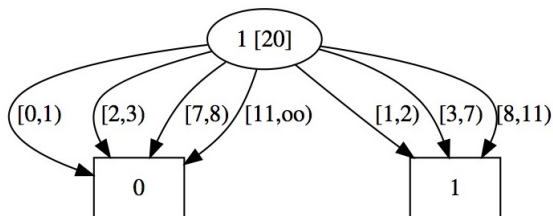
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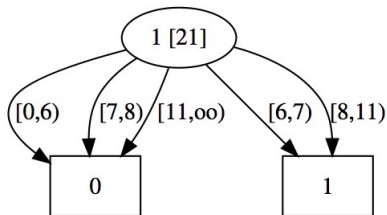
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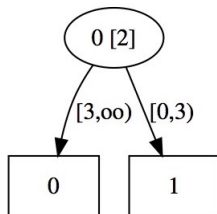
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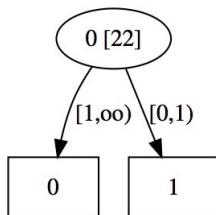
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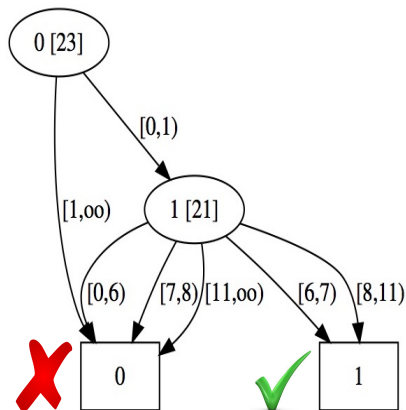
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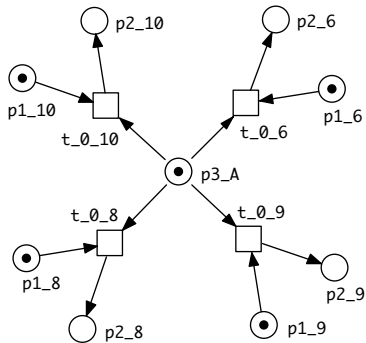


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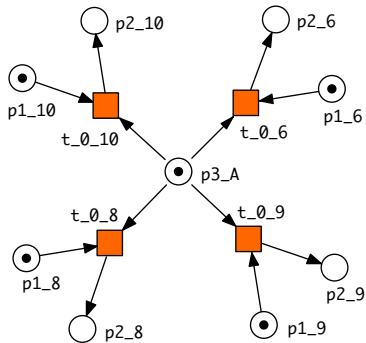
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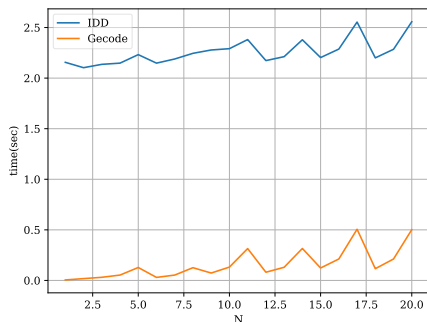
Bridges and Vehicles (MCC)

the model

- a lane bridge with limited capacity.
- used by two types of vehicles.
- coloured model has 15 places, 11 transition and 57 arcs.



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1	28	52	326
2	48	288	2090
4	78	968	7350
5	108	2228	17 190
9	128	1328	10 010
10	138	2348	18 090
11	168	5408	42 330
15	188	2108	15 950
16	198	3728	28 830
20	228	8588	67 470

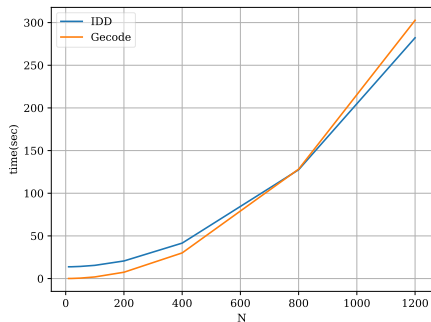
Figure: Bridges and vehicles (MCC); requires no substantial unfolding time

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- reunification process.
- the coloured model has 104 places, 66 transition and 198 arcs.
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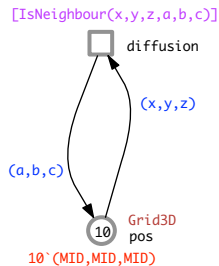
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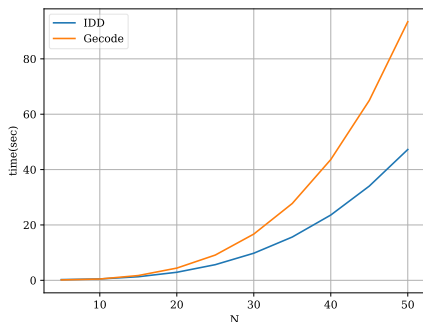
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20	3271	2753	8446
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100	40 605	36 871	112 728
200	143 908	134 279	411 469
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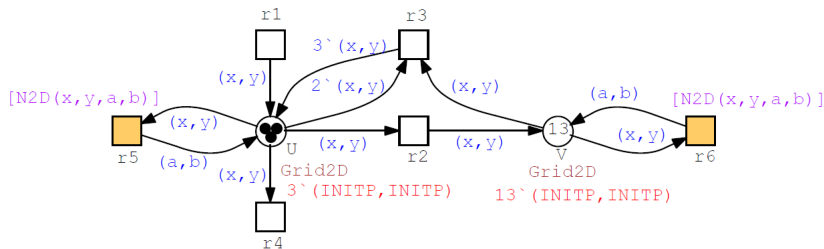


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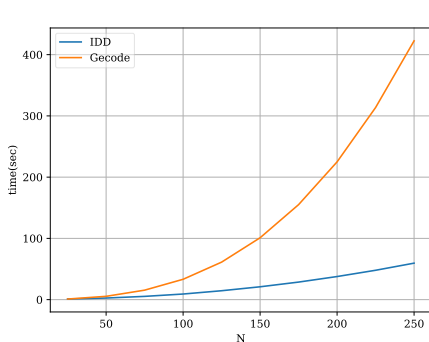


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35	42875	249900	499800
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Figure: Diffusion (3D); N – Grid size



Brusselator



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75	11 250	110 708	215 791
100	20 000	197 608	385 216
125	31 250	309 508	603 391
150	45 000	446 408	870 316
175	61 250	608 308	1 185 991
200	80 000	795 208	1 550 416
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250	125 000	1 244 008	2 425 516

Figure: Brusselator ; N – Grid size of a 2D square



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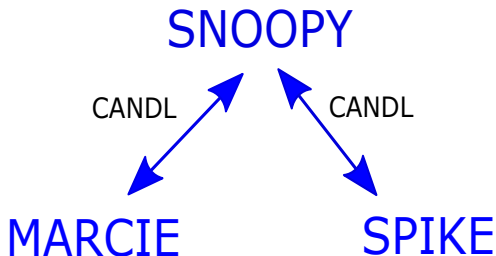


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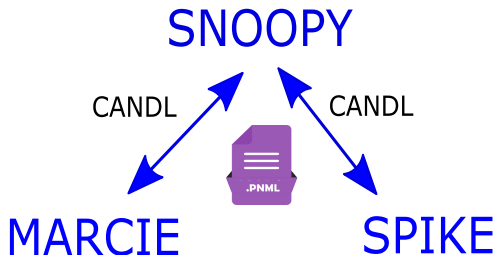
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Thank You For Your Attention