

AVERAGE-PRICE-PER-REWARD GAMES ON HYBRID AUTOMATA WITH STRONG RESETS

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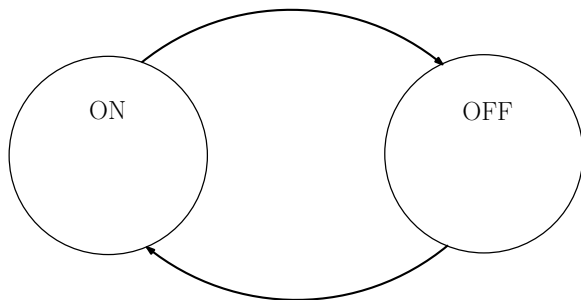
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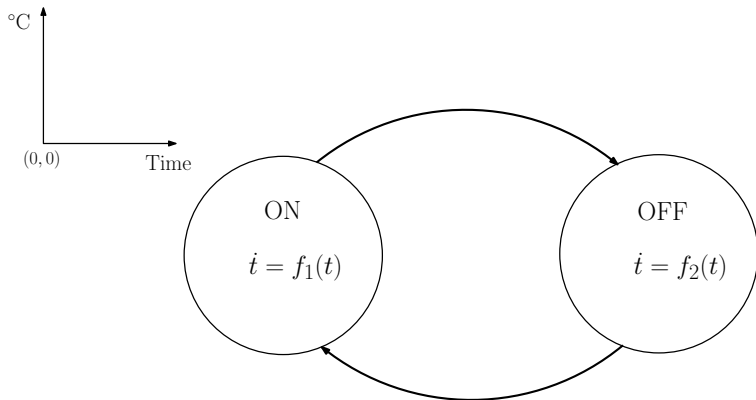
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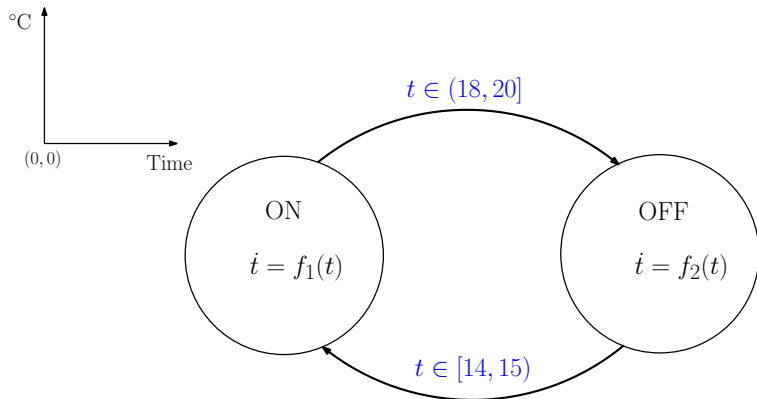
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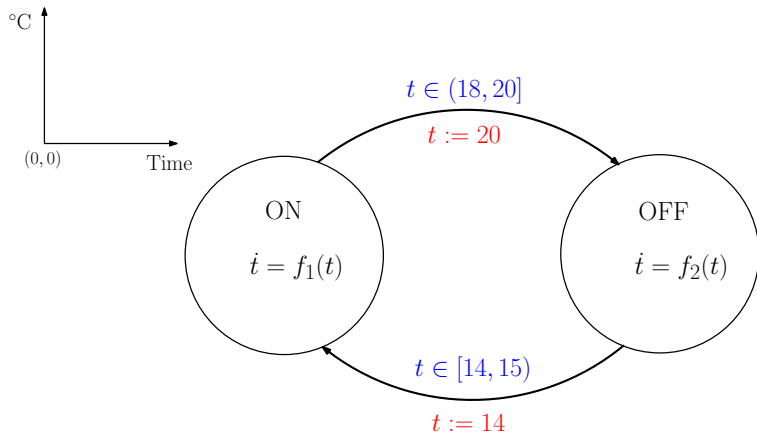
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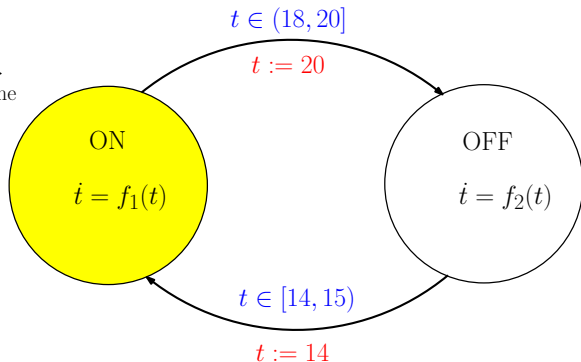
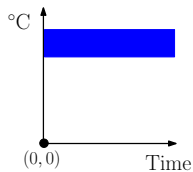
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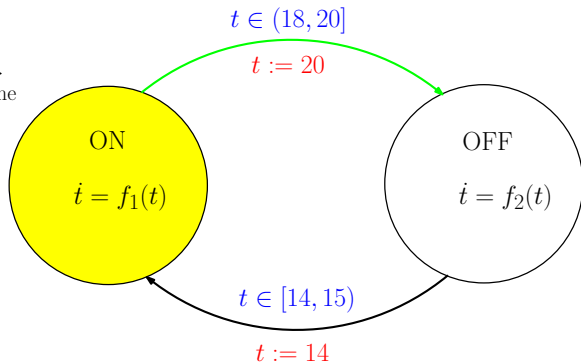
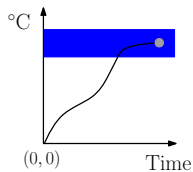
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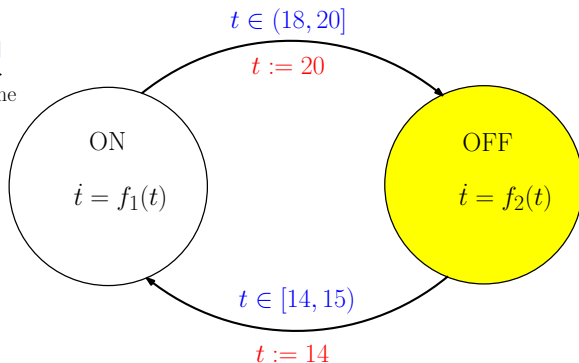
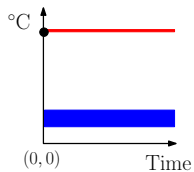
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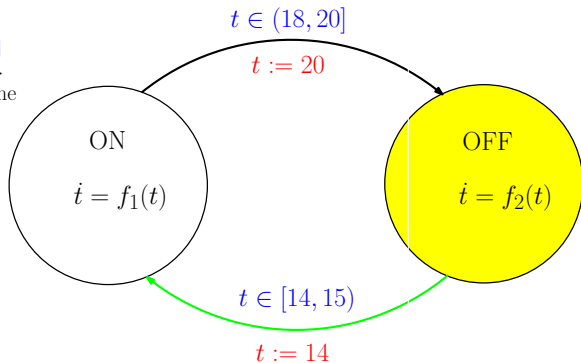
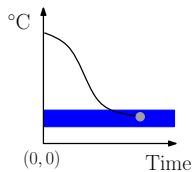
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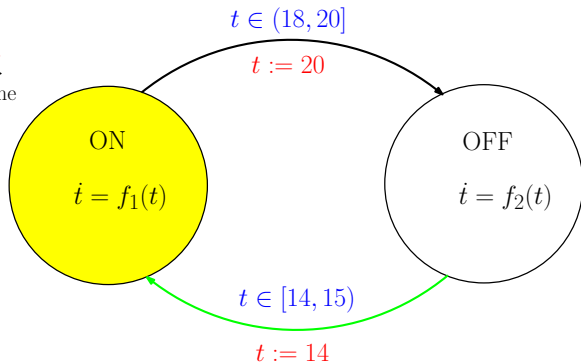
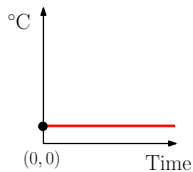
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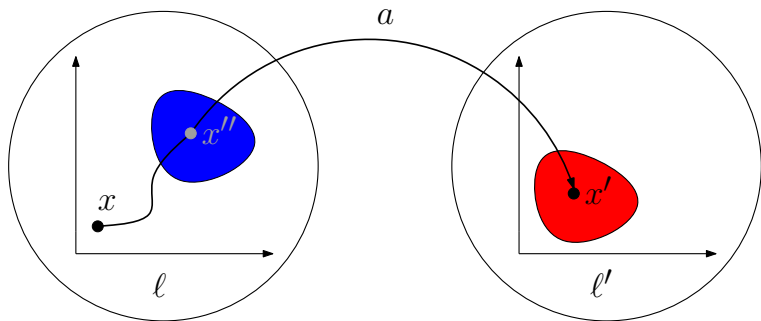
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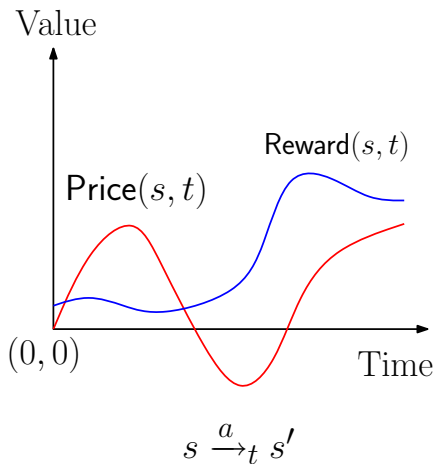


TIMED ACTION



$$s \xrightarrow{a}_t s'$$

$$(\ell, x) \xrightarrow{a}_t (\ell', x')$$



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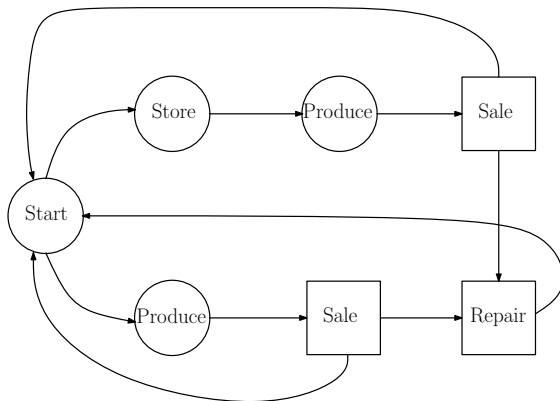
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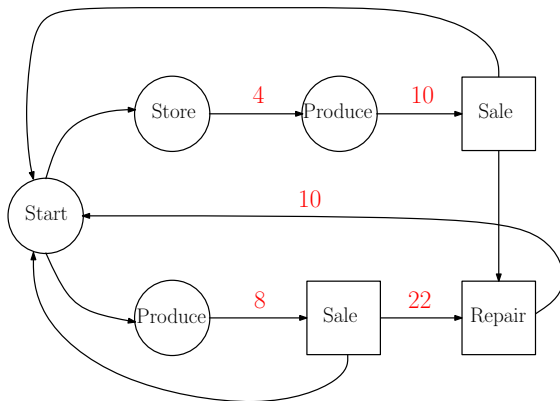
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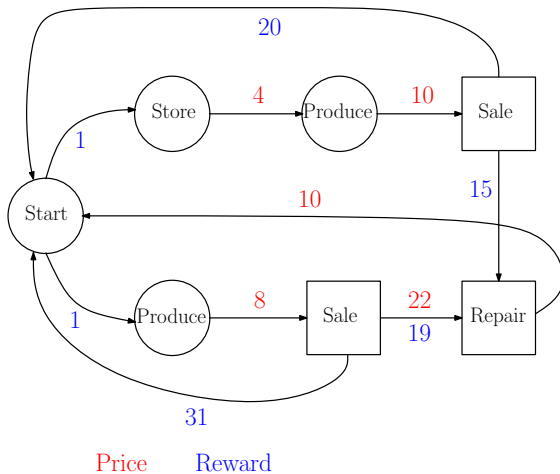


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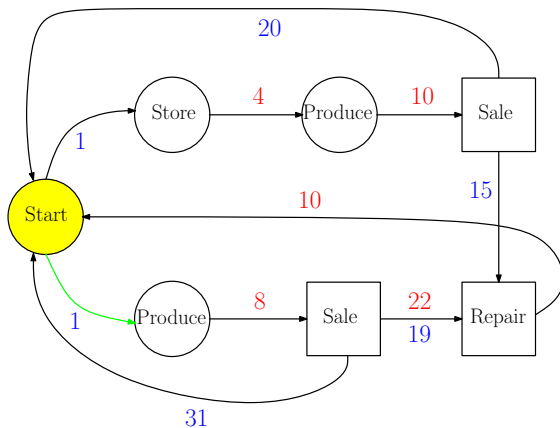


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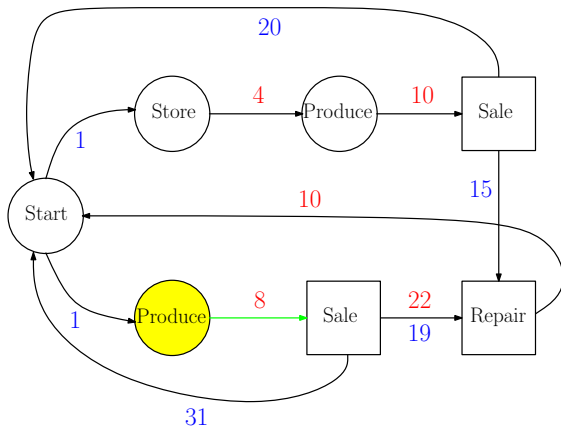


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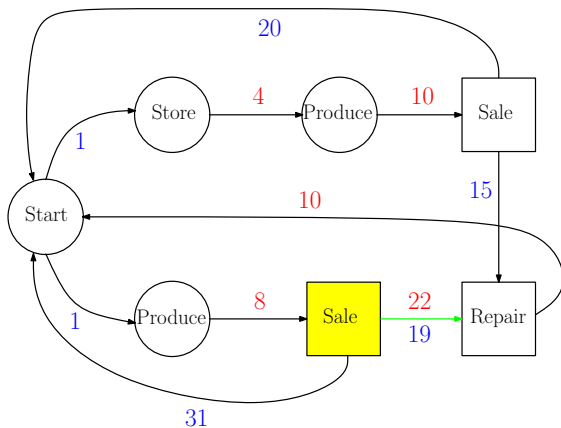
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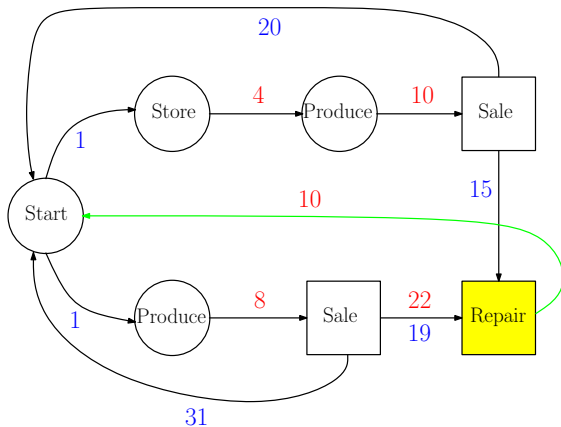
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{0}{1} = 0$

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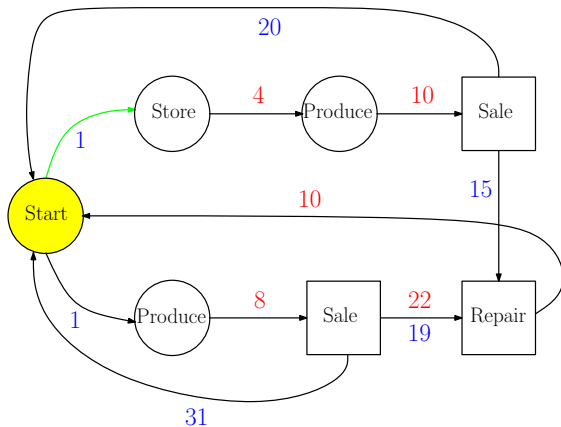
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{0+8}{1+0} = 8$

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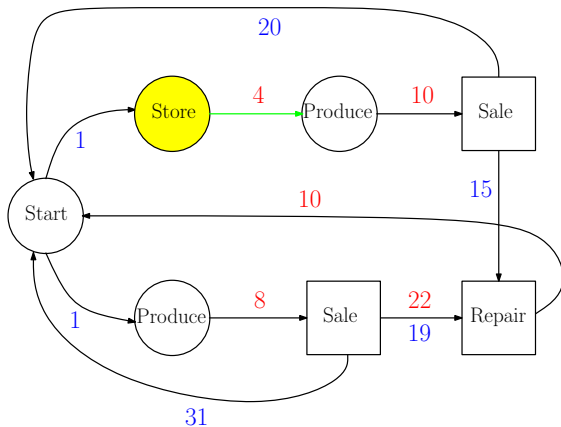
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{8+22}{1+19} = \frac{3}{2}$

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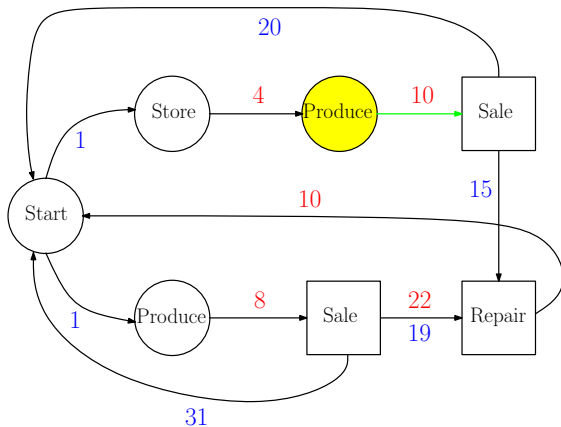
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{30+10}{20+0} = 2$

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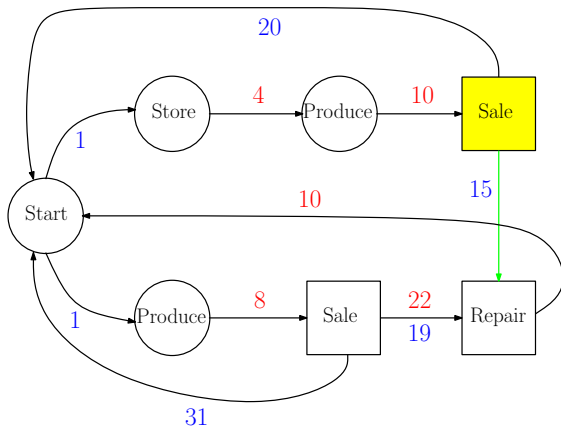
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{40+0}{20+1} = \frac{40}{21}$

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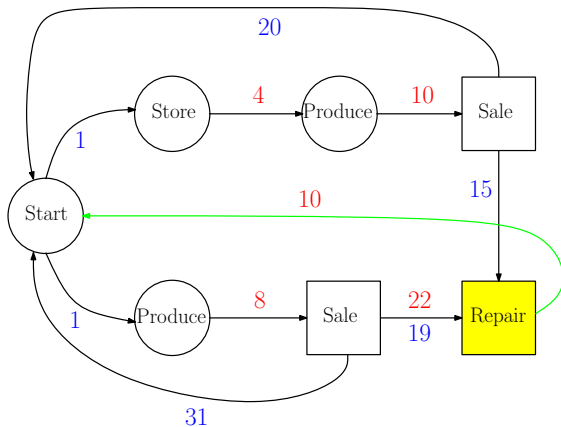
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{40+4}{21+0} = \frac{44}{21}$

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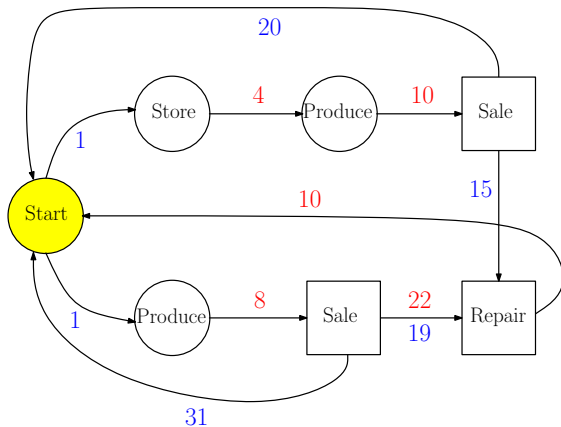
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{44+10}{21+0} = \frac{18}{7}$

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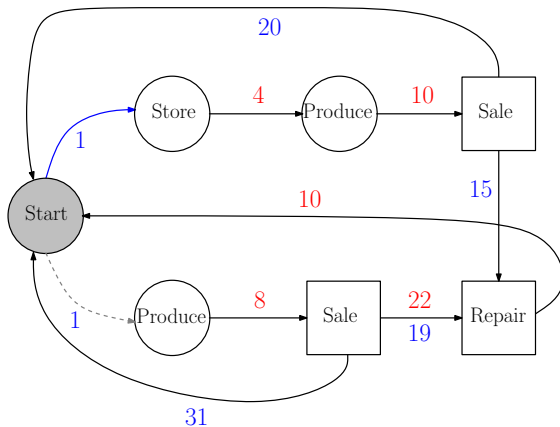
Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{54+0}{21+15} = \frac{3}{2}$

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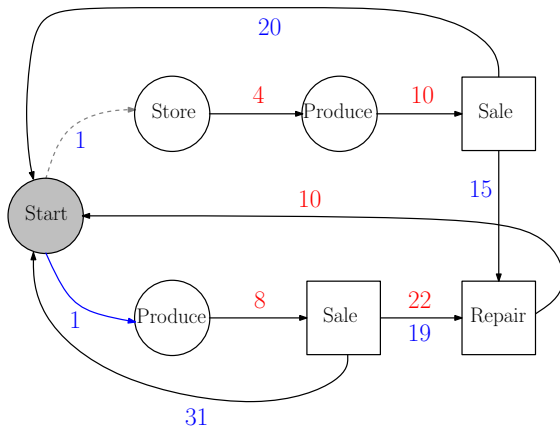


Average Price-per-Reward: $\frac{54+10}{36+0} = \frac{16}{9}$

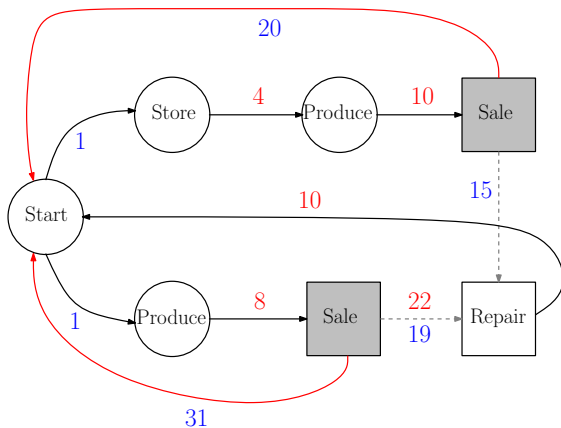
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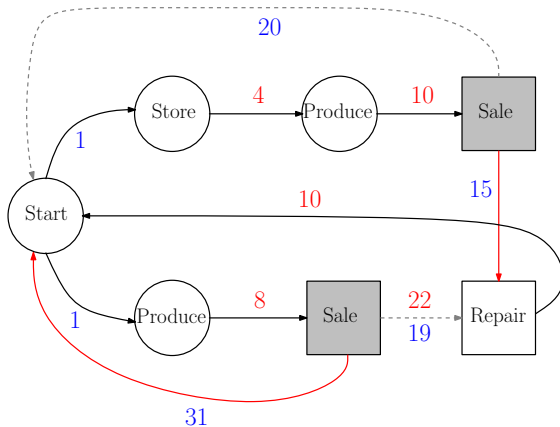
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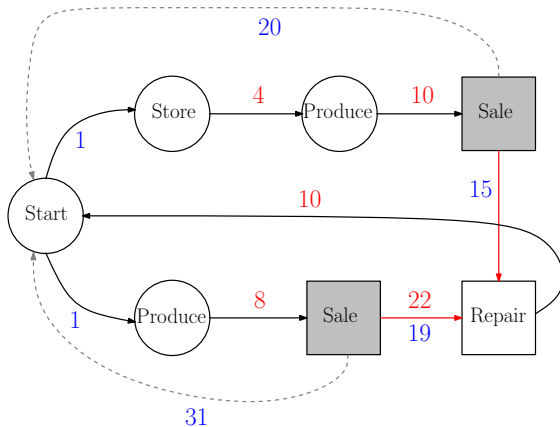
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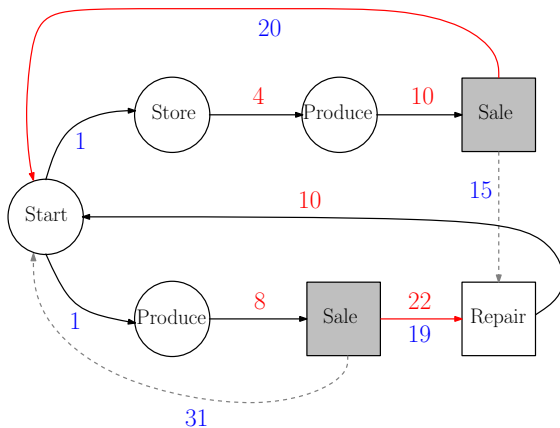
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RUNS AND PAYOFFS

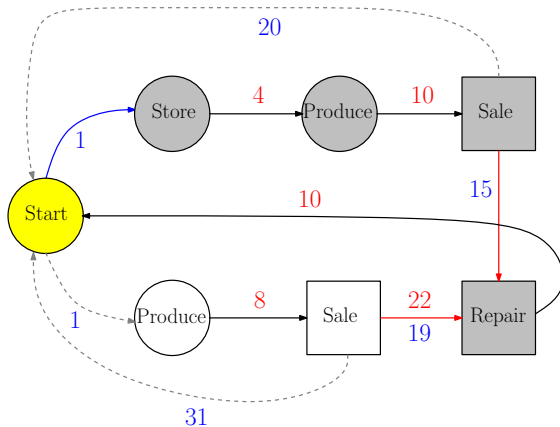
WE ARE GIVEN

- Start state: s
- Strategy of player Min: μ
- Strategy of player Max: χ

THIS GIVES US

- A unique run: $\text{Run}(s, \mu, \chi)$,
- for which we can compute the payoff: $\text{AvgPpR}(\text{Run}(s, \mu, \chi))$

EXAMPLE



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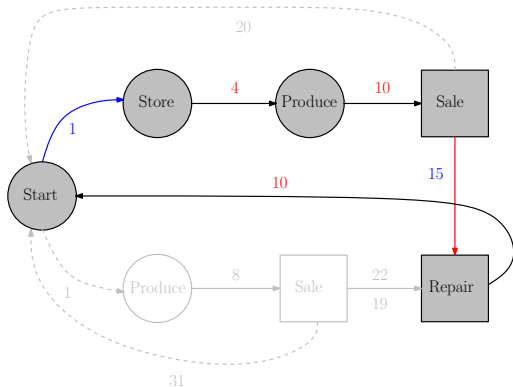
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$$\text{Average P-per-R: } \frac{0+4+10+0+10}{1+0+0+15+0} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$B(\text{Start}) = 0 - 1 \cdot g + B(\text{Store})$$

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$$+ \quad B(\text{Repair}) = 10 - 0 \cdot g + B(\text{Start})$$

$$(1 + 0 + 0 + 15 + 0) \cdot g = (0 + 4 + 10 + 0 + 10)$$

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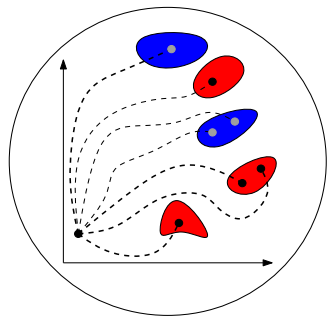
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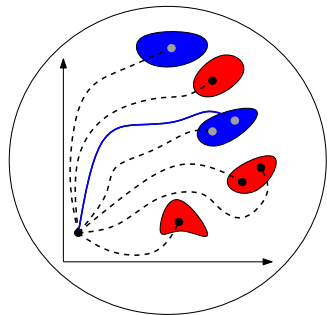
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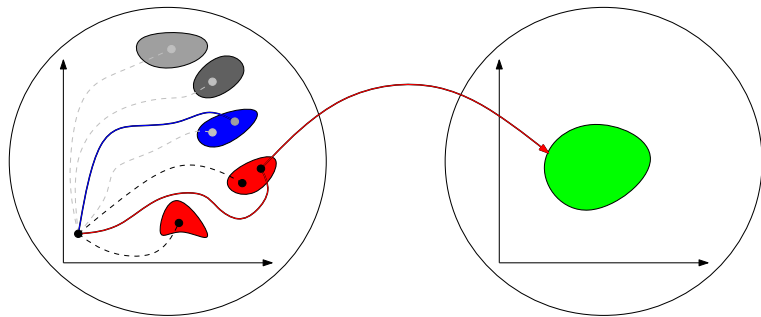


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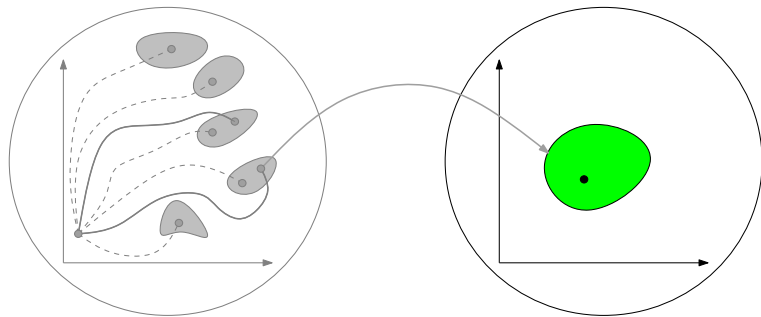
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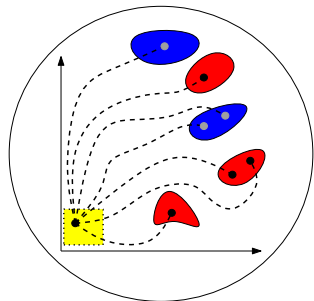
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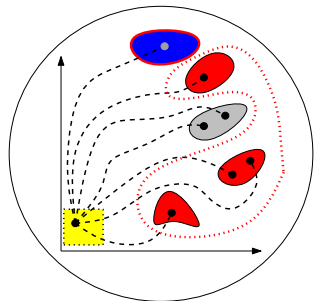
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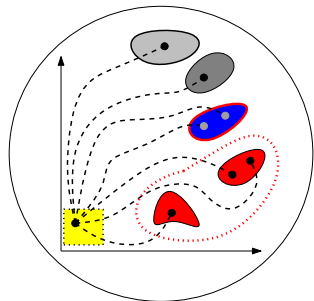


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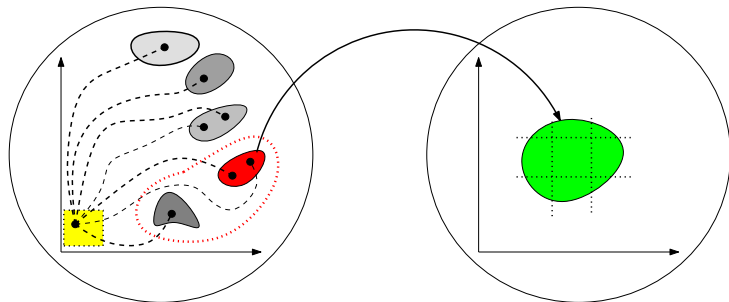
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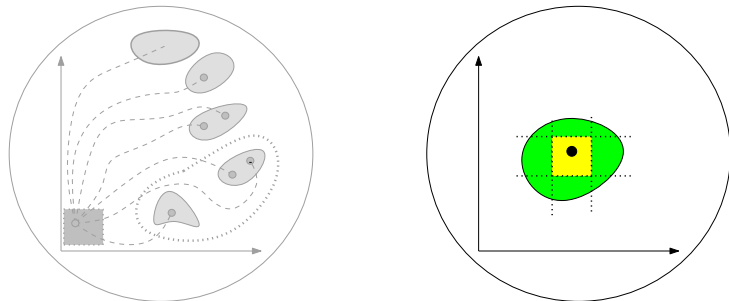
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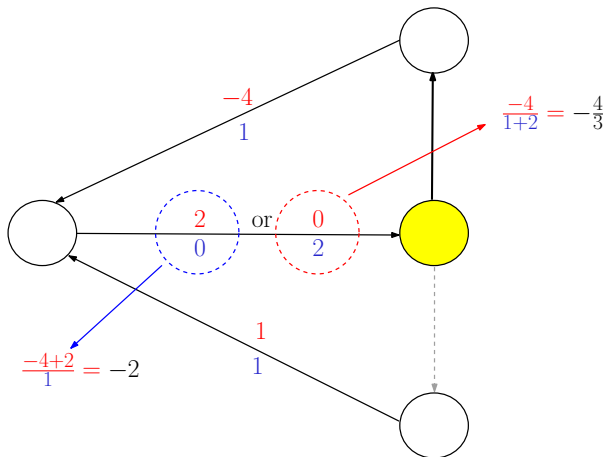
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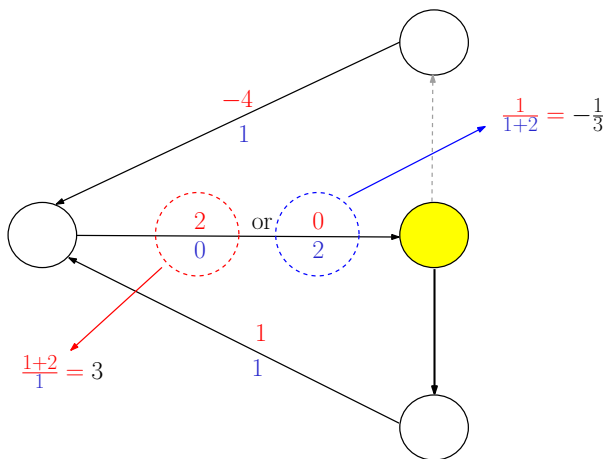
ISSUES

- In the special case of *average-price* games the **discrete** part of the protocol determined the optimal **continuous** part.
- In *average price-per-reward* optimal **continuous** choices depend on how the game is played.
- We resolve this problem by adding *edge games* to the graph. The price (reward) of an edge is determined in a two player game.
- The strategies in that game are exactly the **continuous** choices that players make in the protocol.

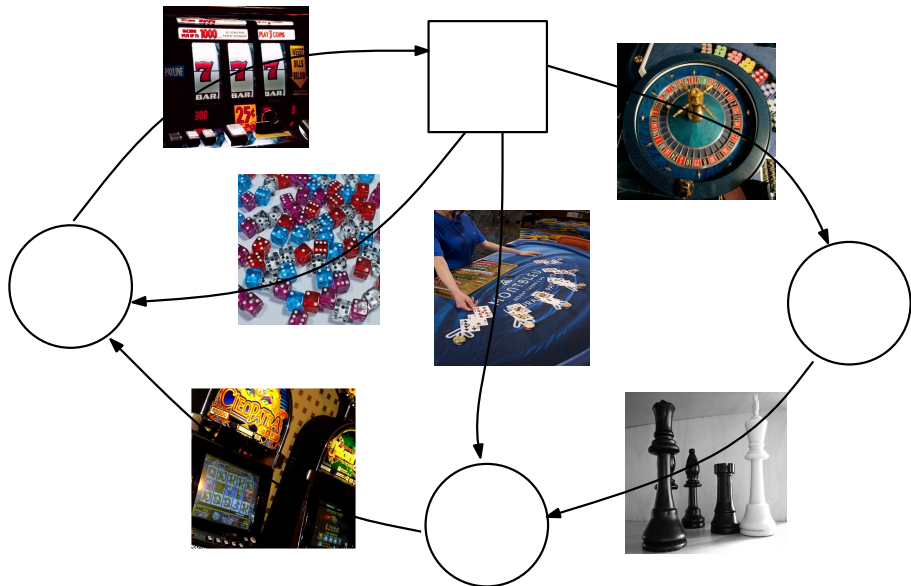
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THEOREM

Average price-per-reward game on graphs of out-degree one are determined.

PROOF SKETCH

By analysis of optimality equations we show that for every g either:

$$\text{Val}_*(s) \geq g \text{ or } \text{Val}^*(s) \leq g$$

Using “binary search” we prove that $\text{Val}_* \geq \text{Val}^*$ (recall that $\text{Val}_* \leq \text{Val}^*$).

COROLLARY

Determinacy extends to all graphs from correctness of strategy improvement.

RESULTS

- We have showed that *Average price-per-reward games* on hybrid systems with strong resets are determined.
- To prove this we reduced to a new class of finite graphs, that feature games on edges, and proved determinacy of respective games.
- Definability of hybrid systems and first-order expressibility of optimality equations allows us to approximate game values.

Thank You