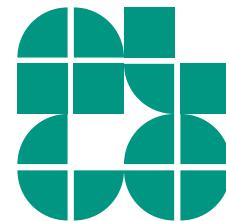


# Algorithms for Graph Visualization

## Layered Layout – Part 2

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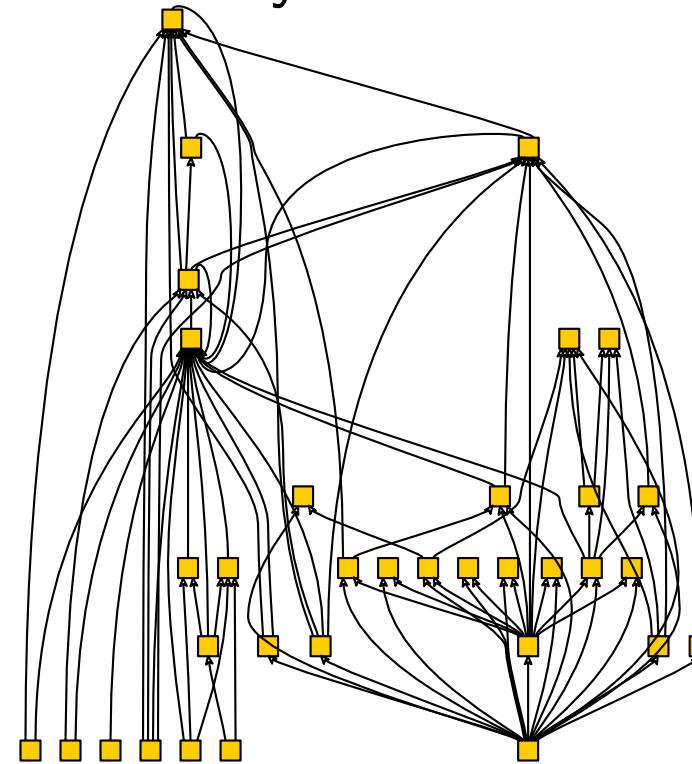
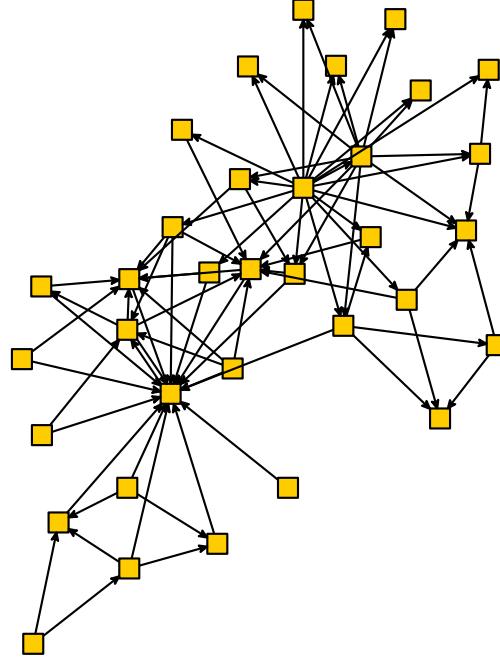
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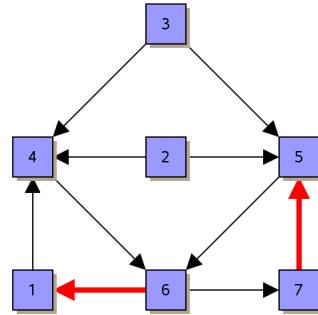
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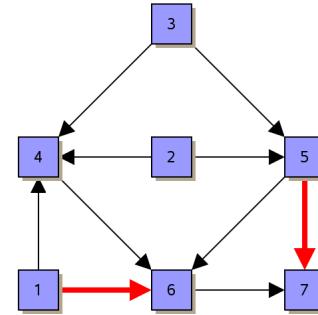
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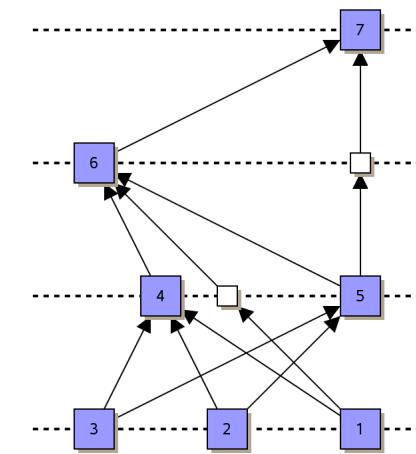
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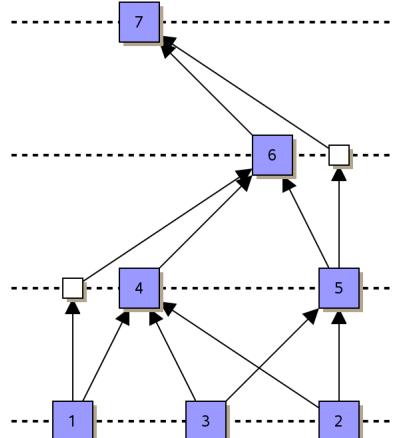
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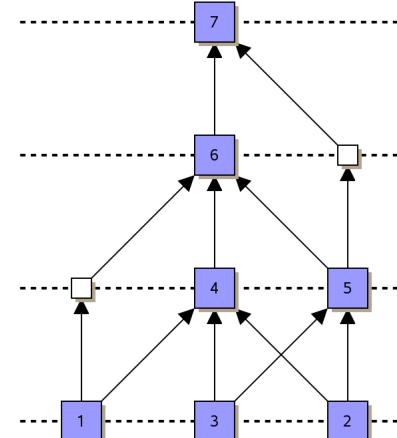
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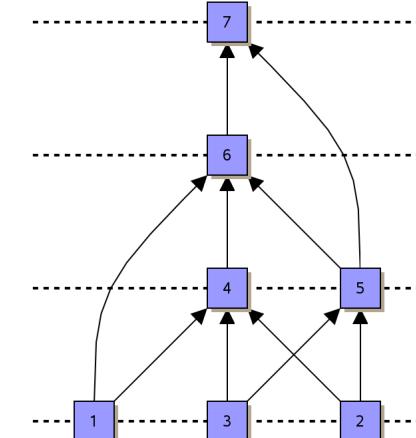
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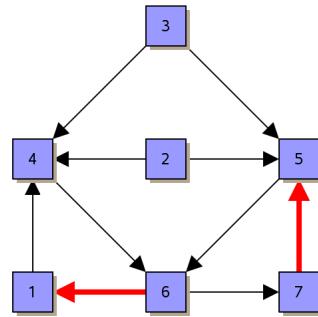


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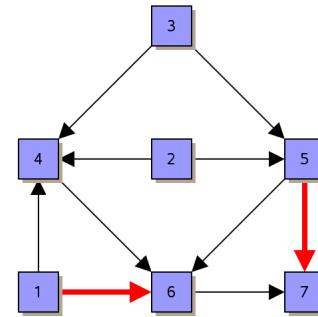


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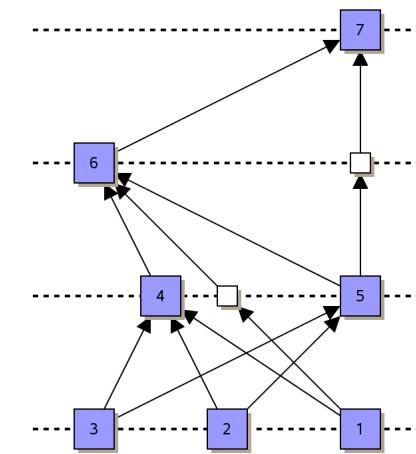
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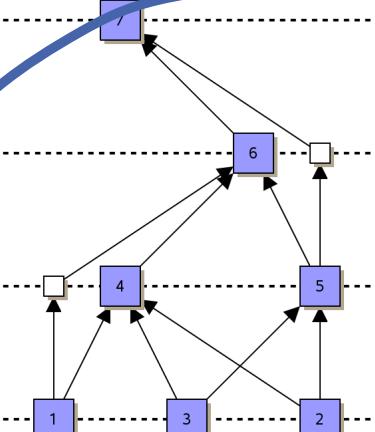
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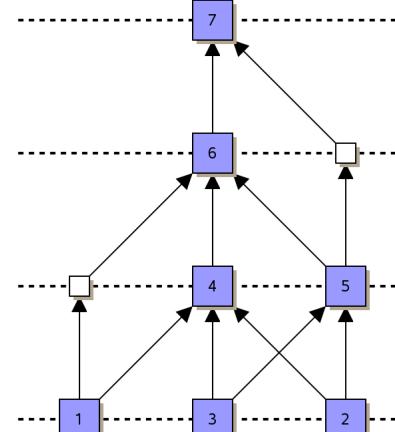
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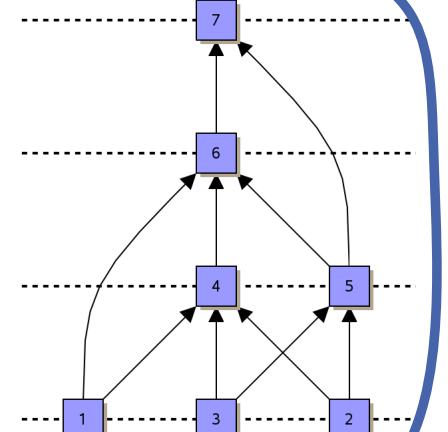
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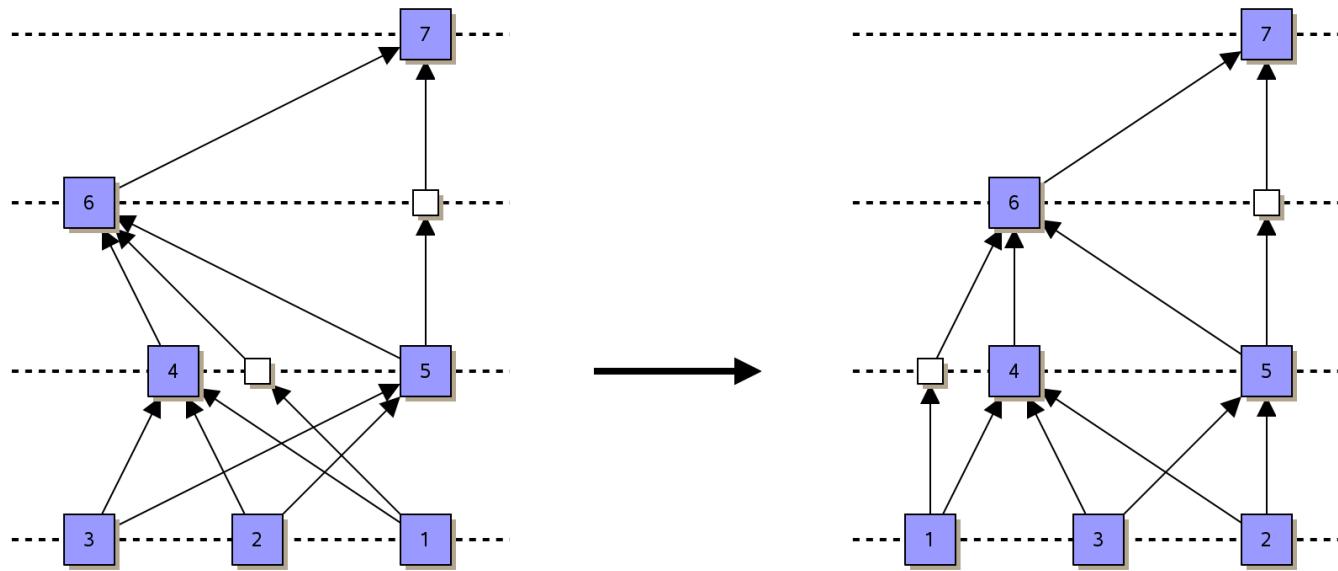


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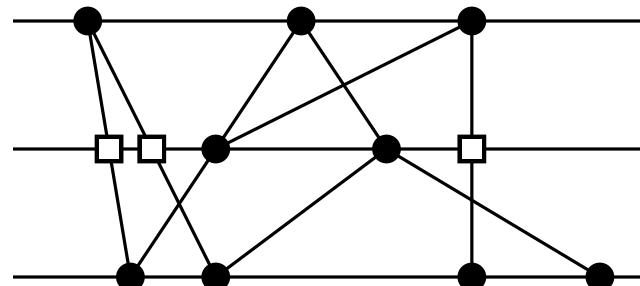
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(BIPARTITE CROSSING NUMBER [Garey, Johnson '83])
- No approach over several layers simultaneously
- Usually iterative optimization for two adjacent layers
- For that: insert dummy nodes at the intersection of edges with layers



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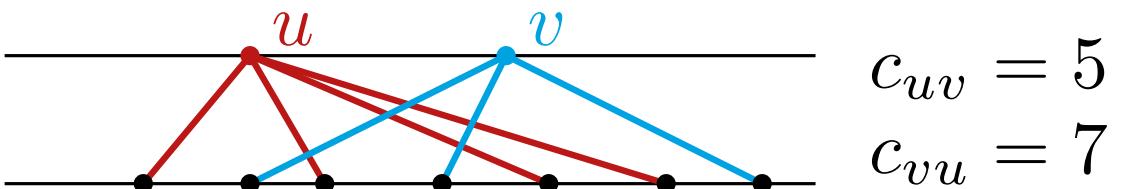
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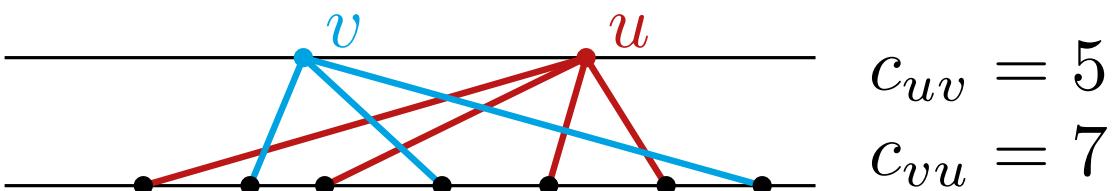
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**Think for a minute and then share**

Why the second inequality is not an equality?

**1 min**

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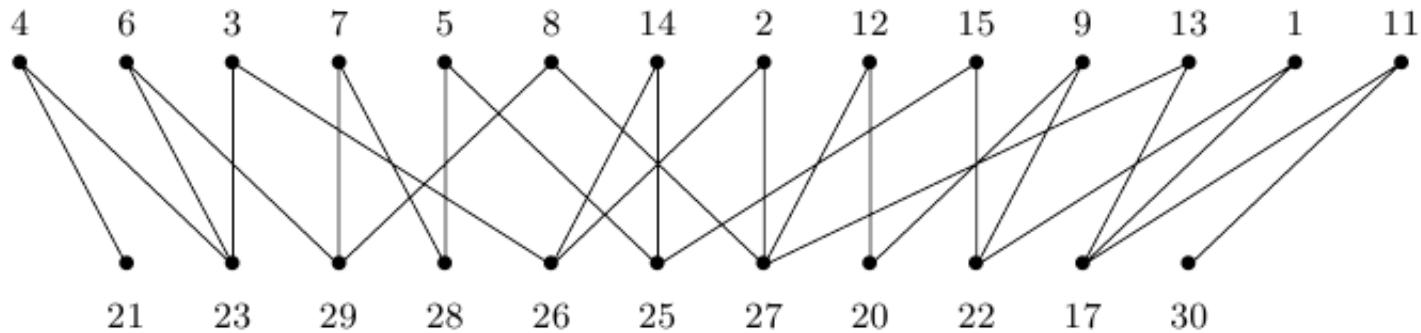
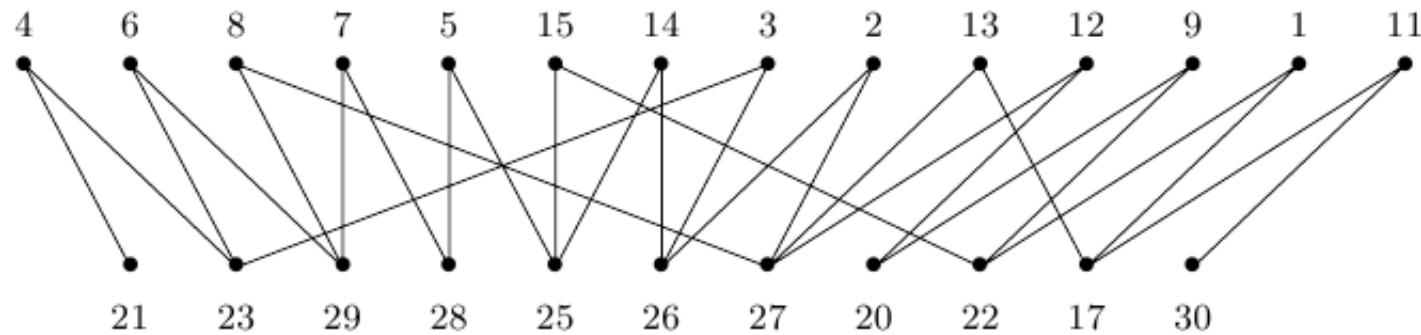
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**5 min**

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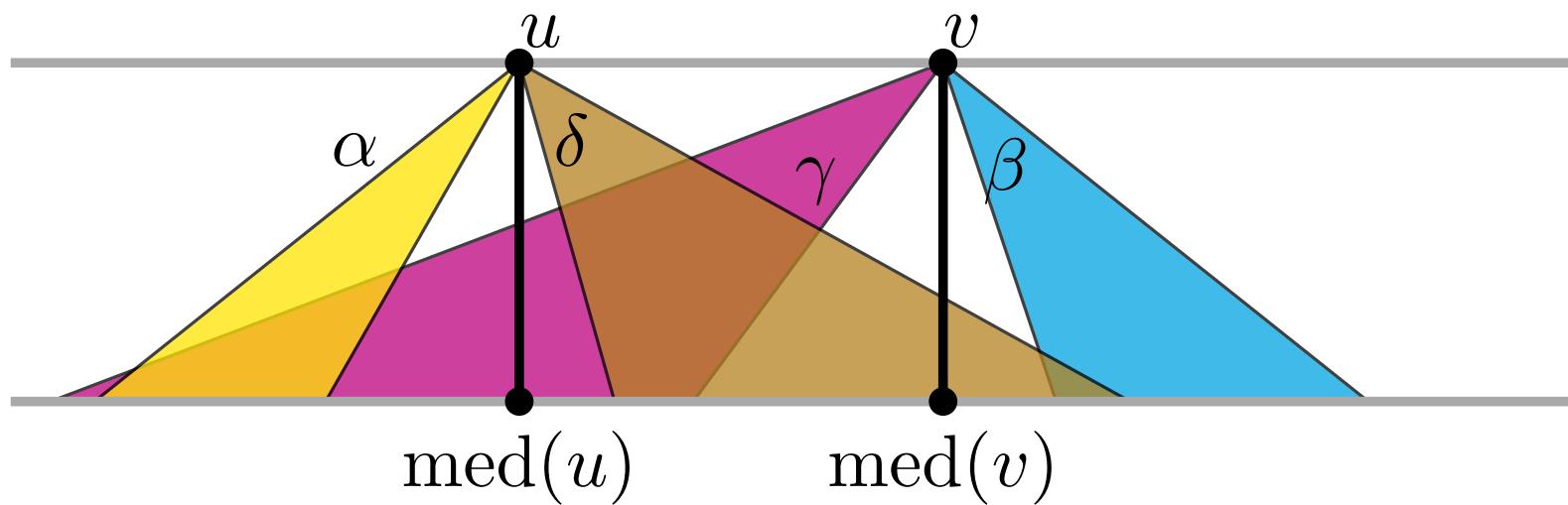
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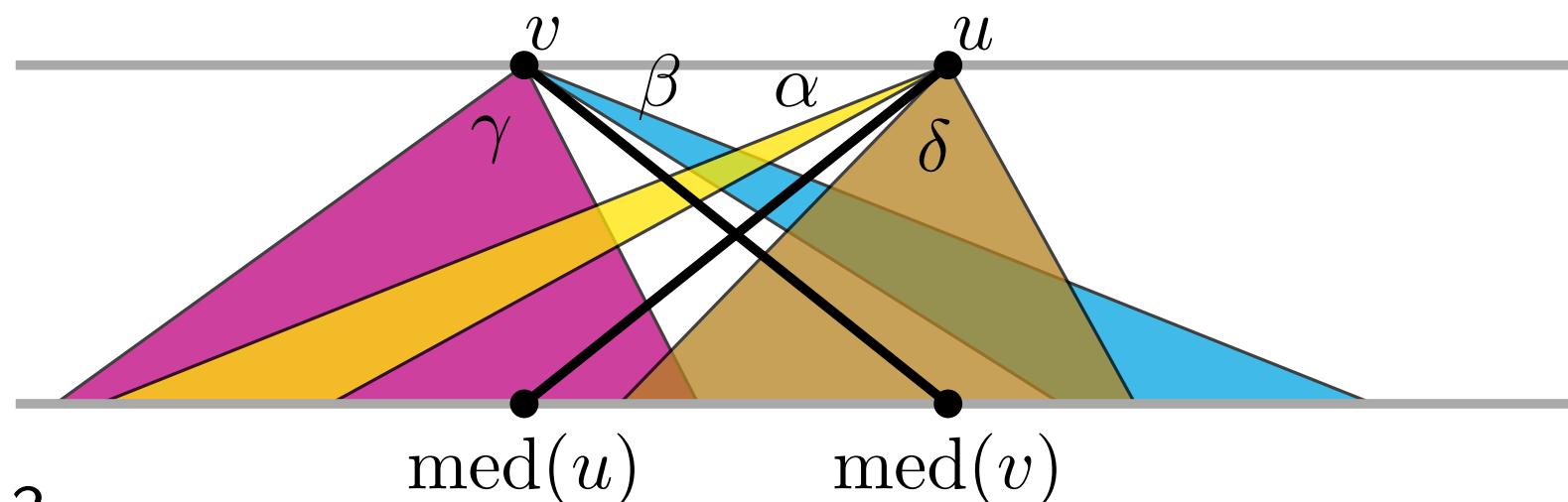
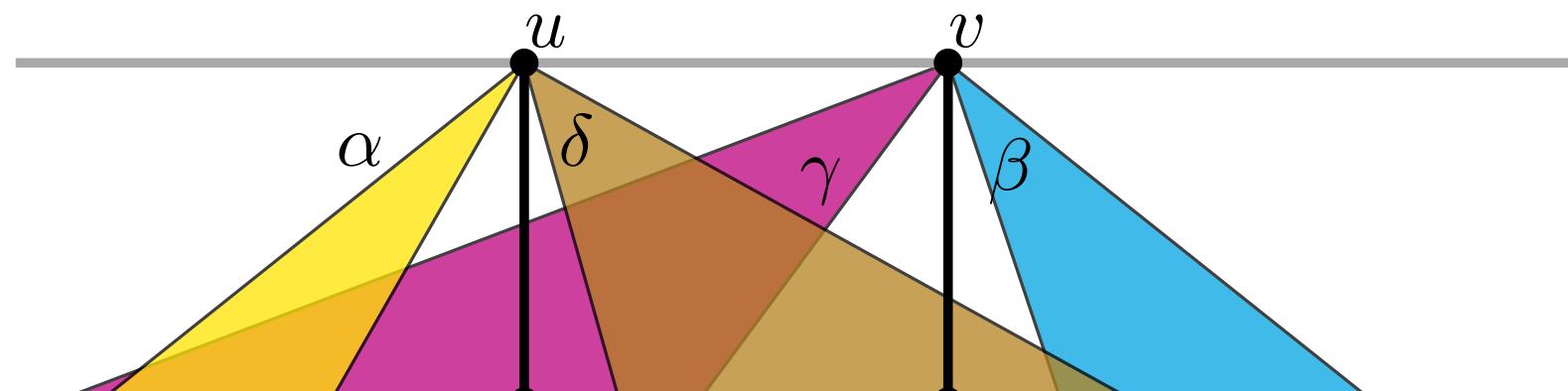
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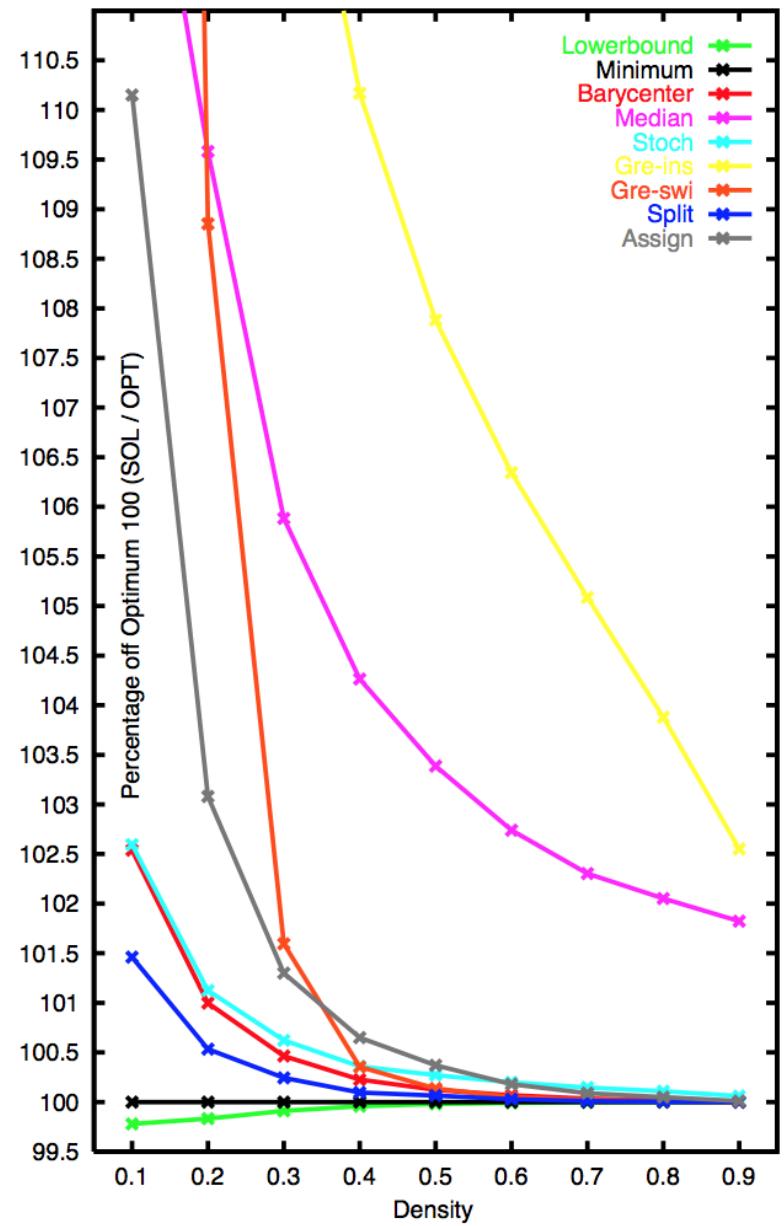
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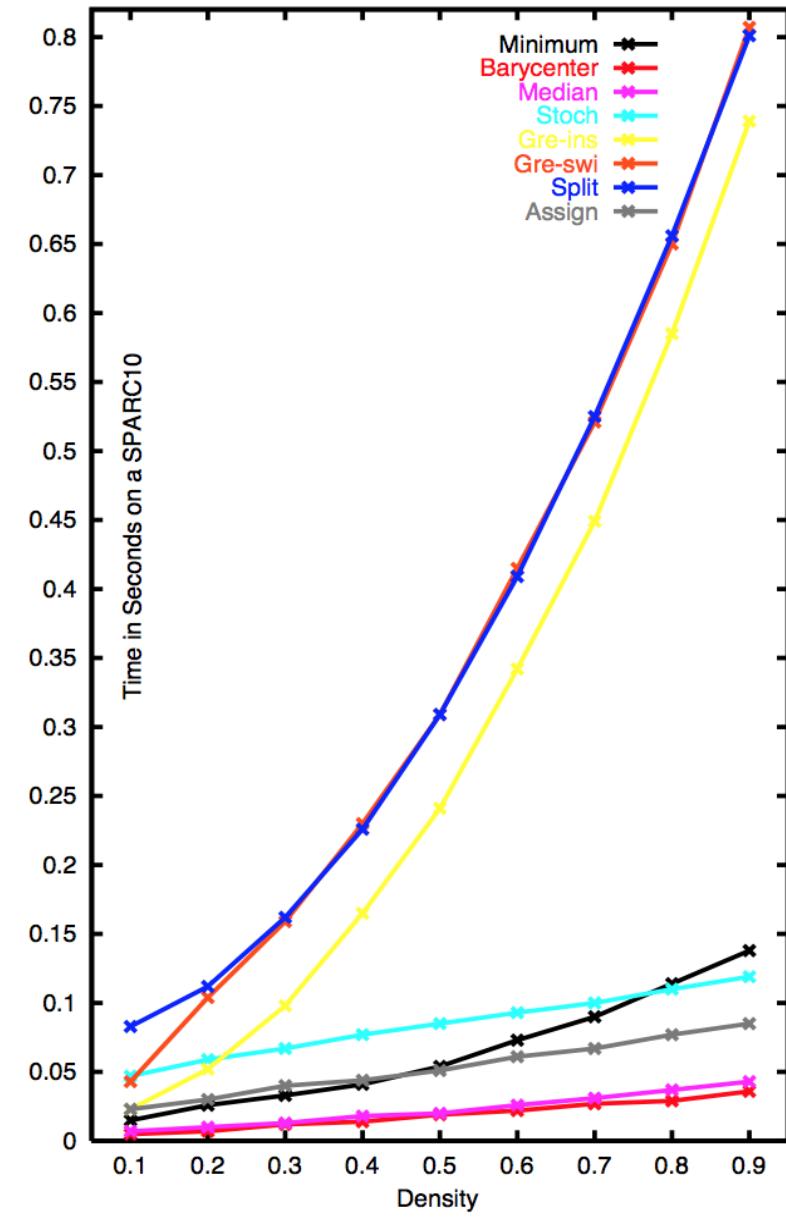
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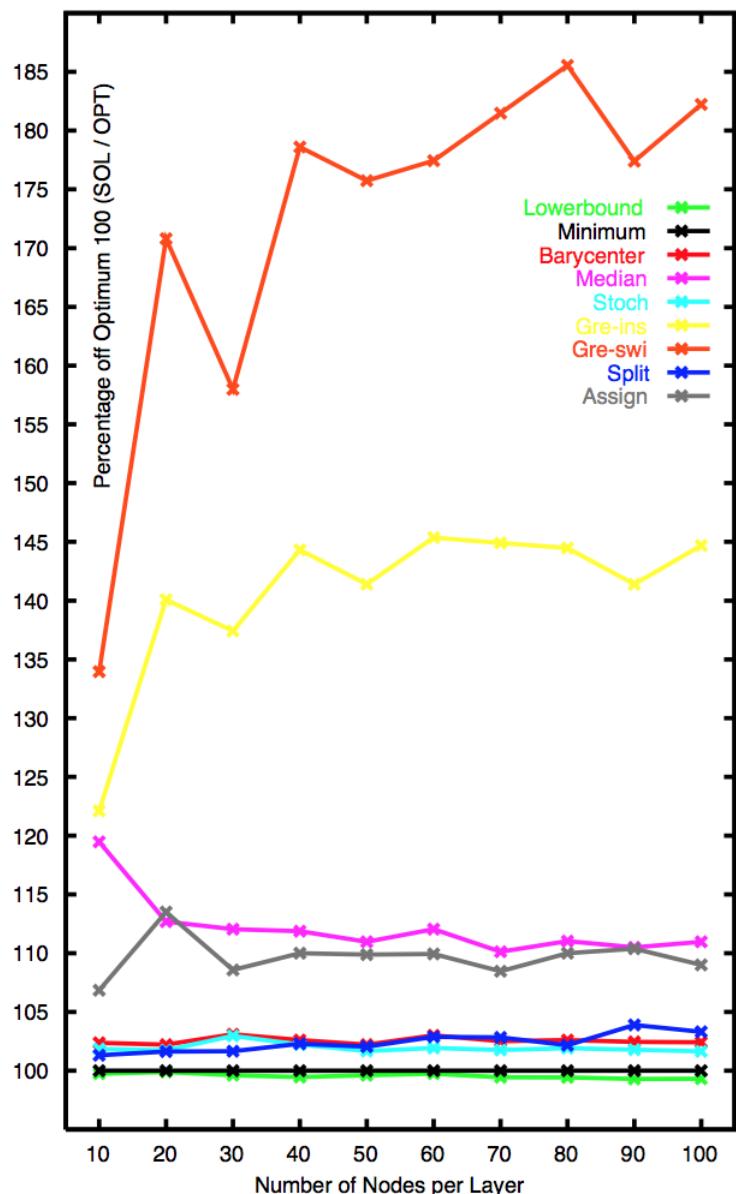
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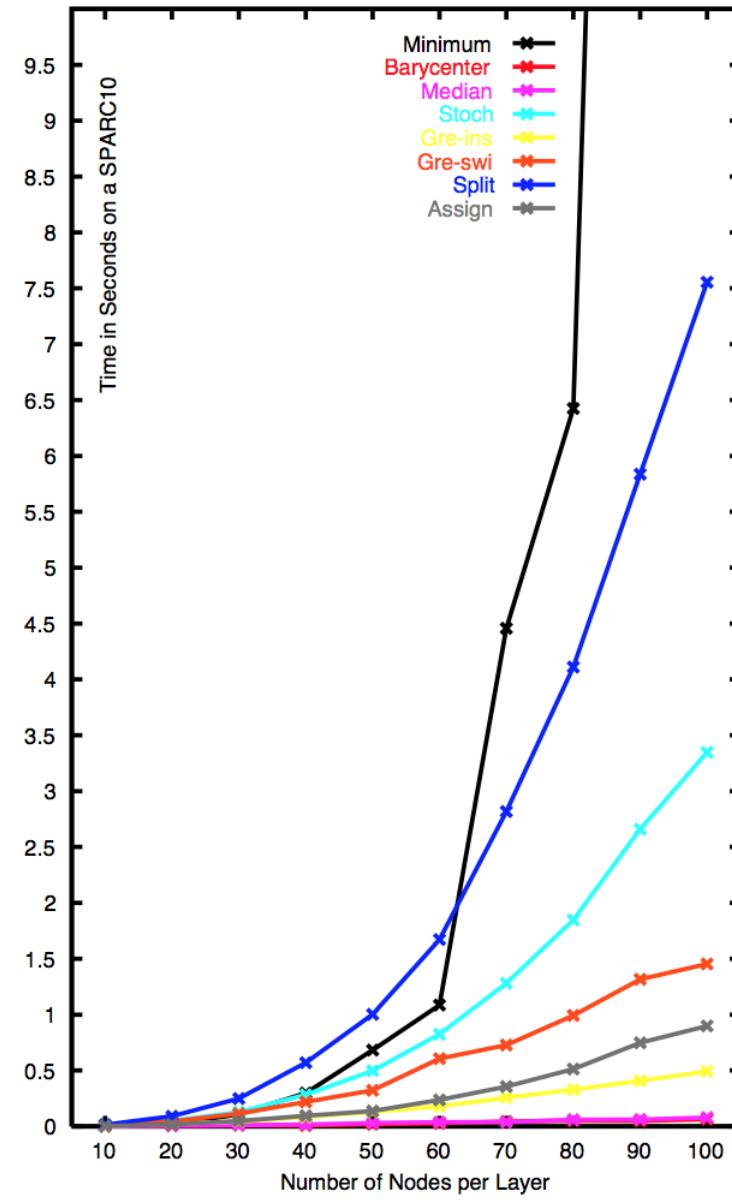
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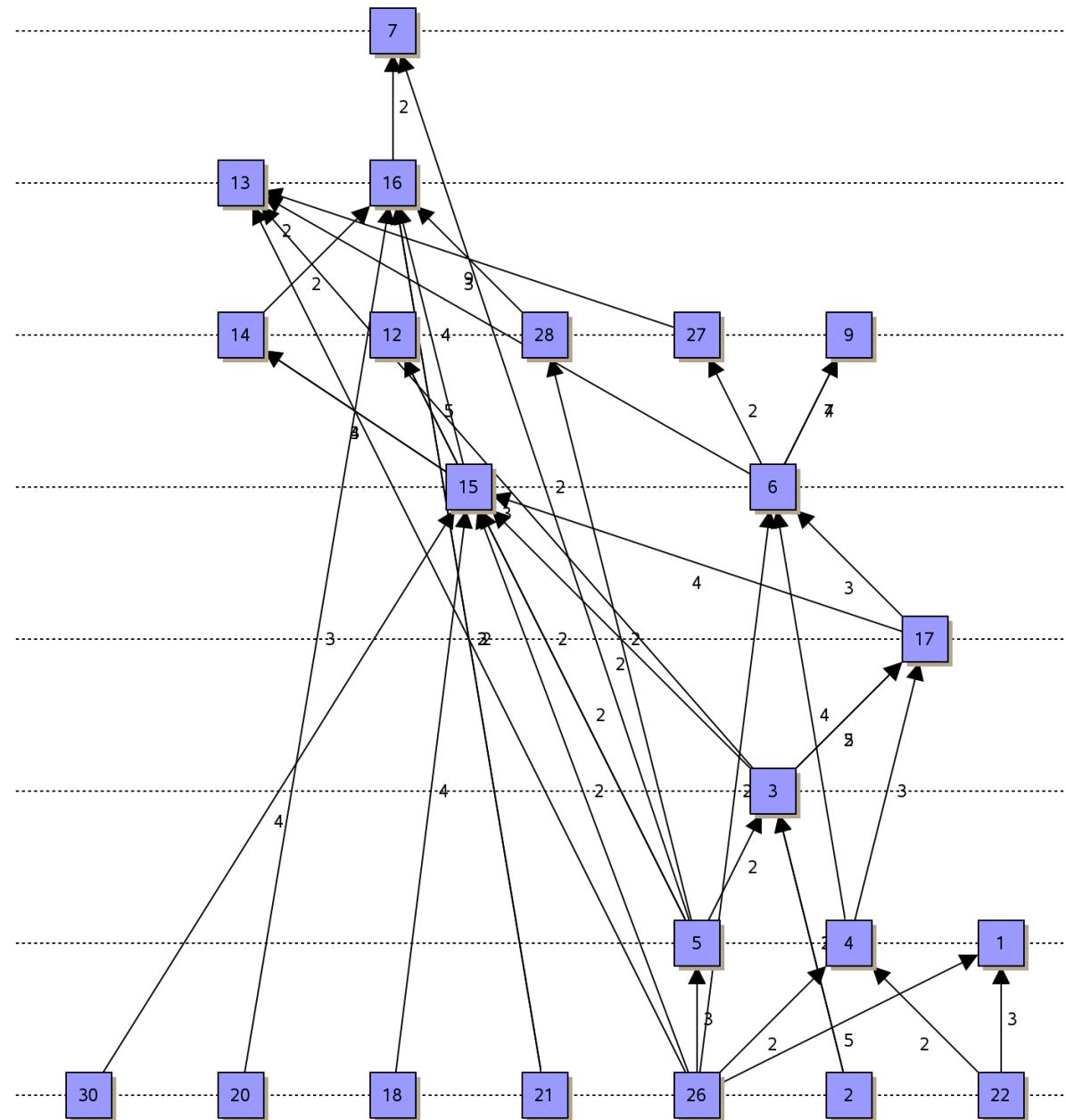


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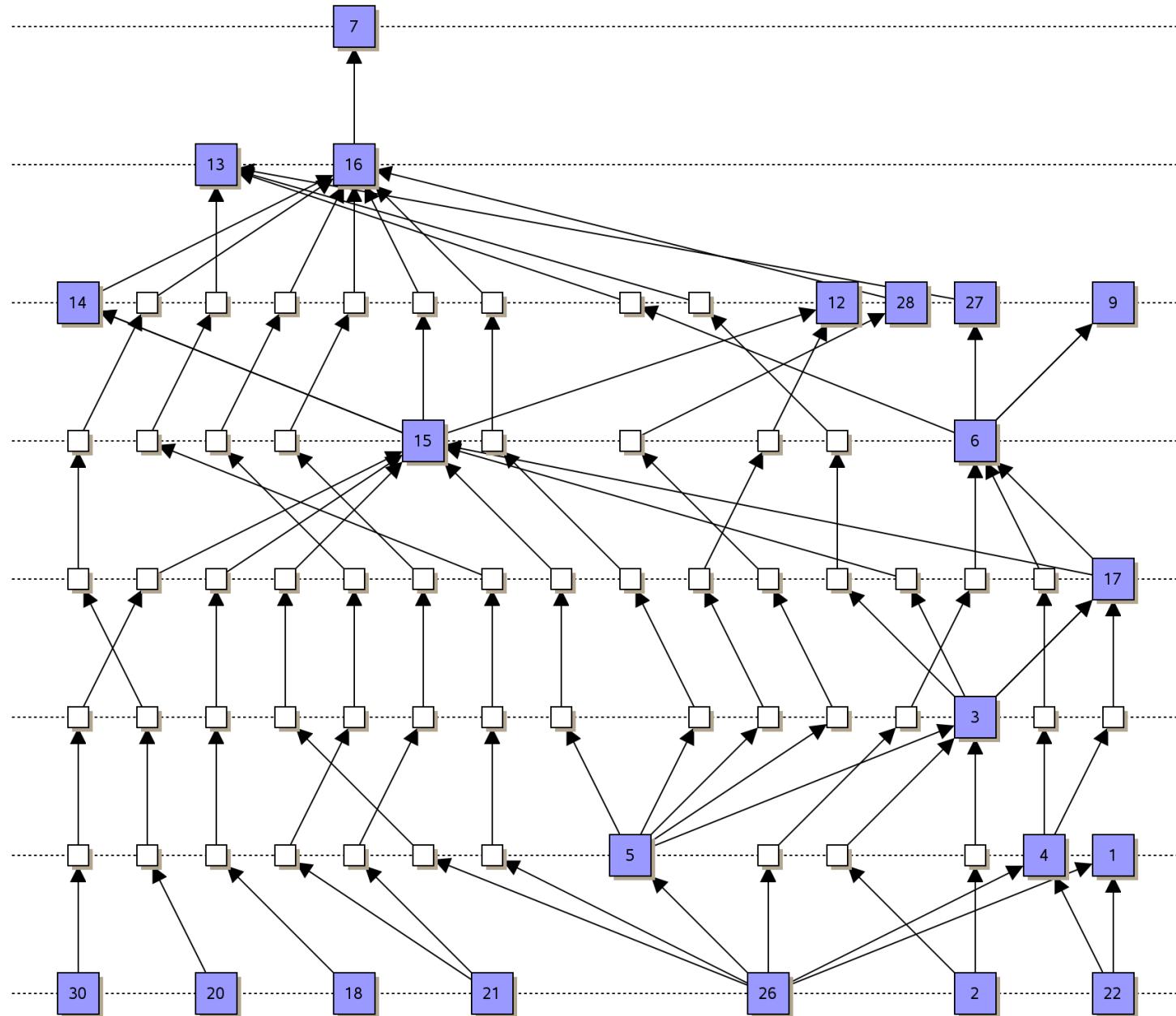


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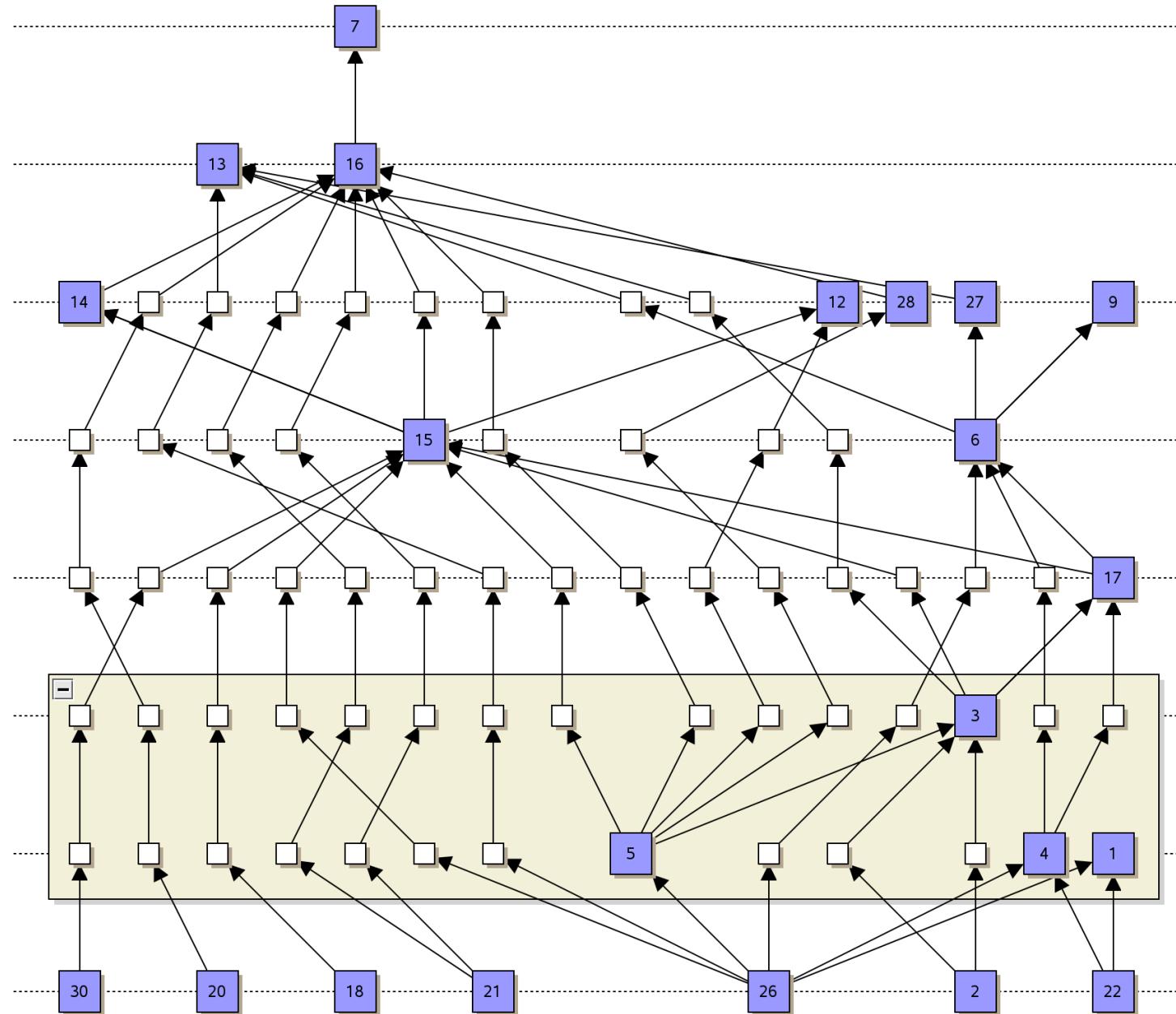
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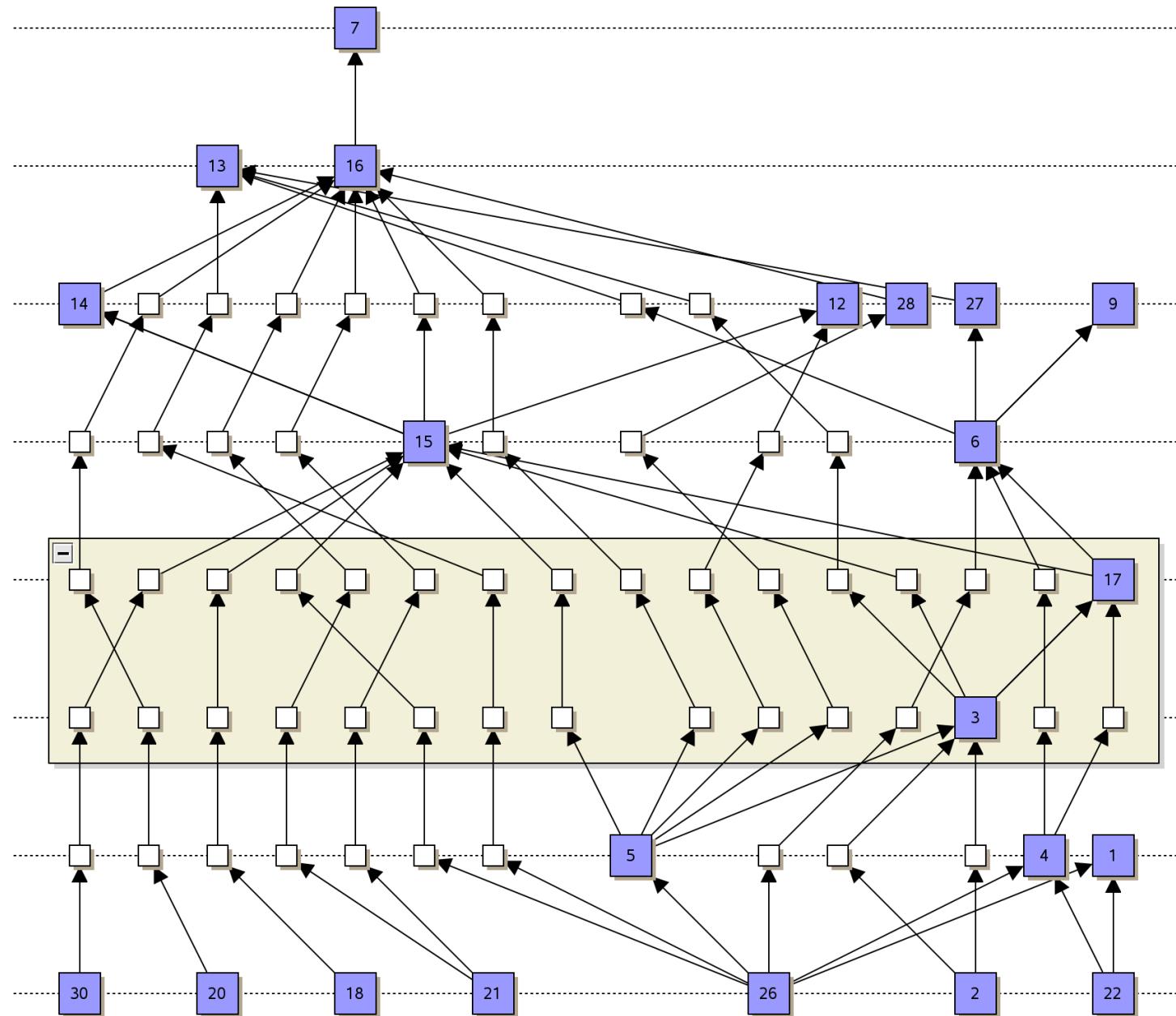
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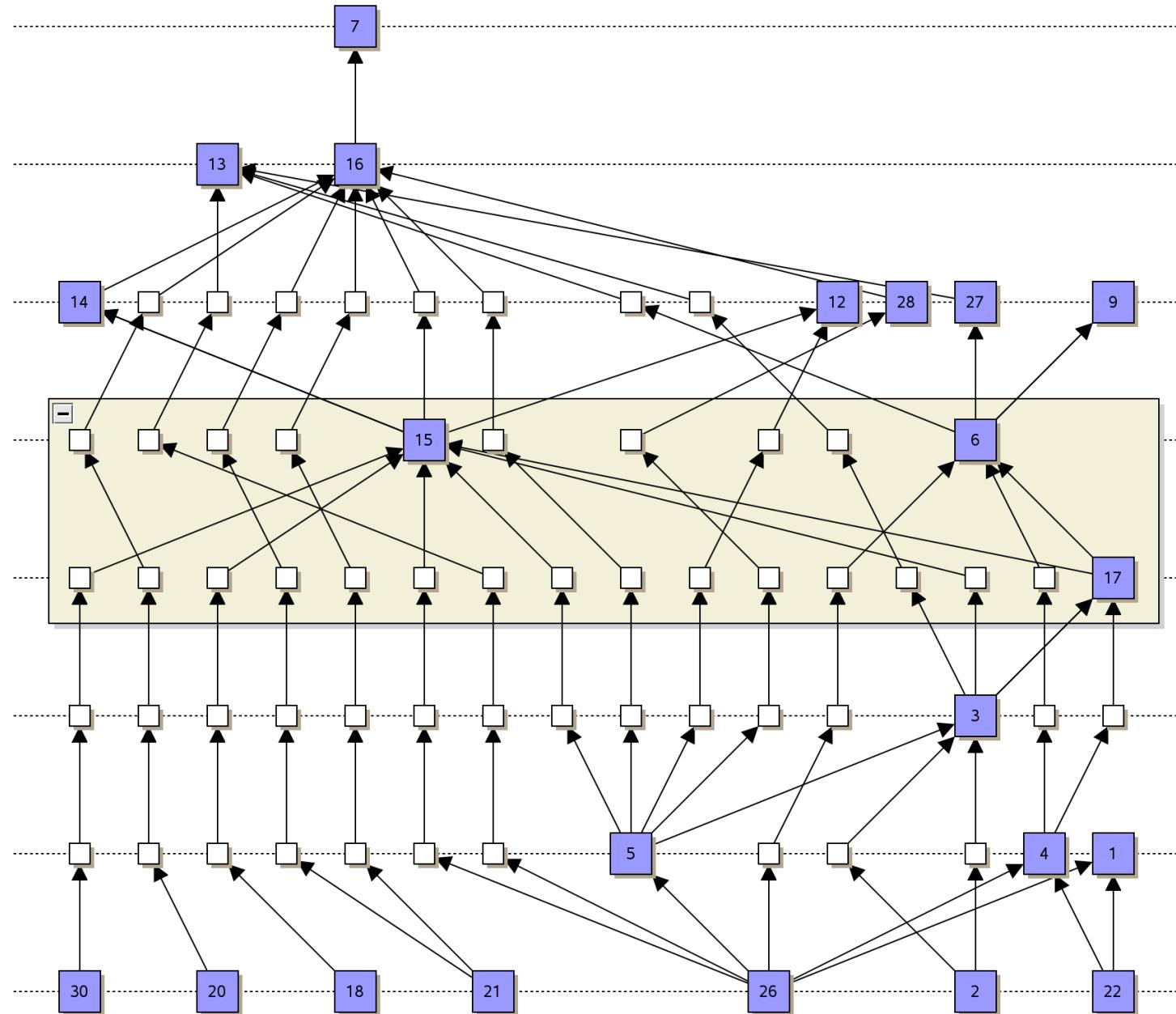
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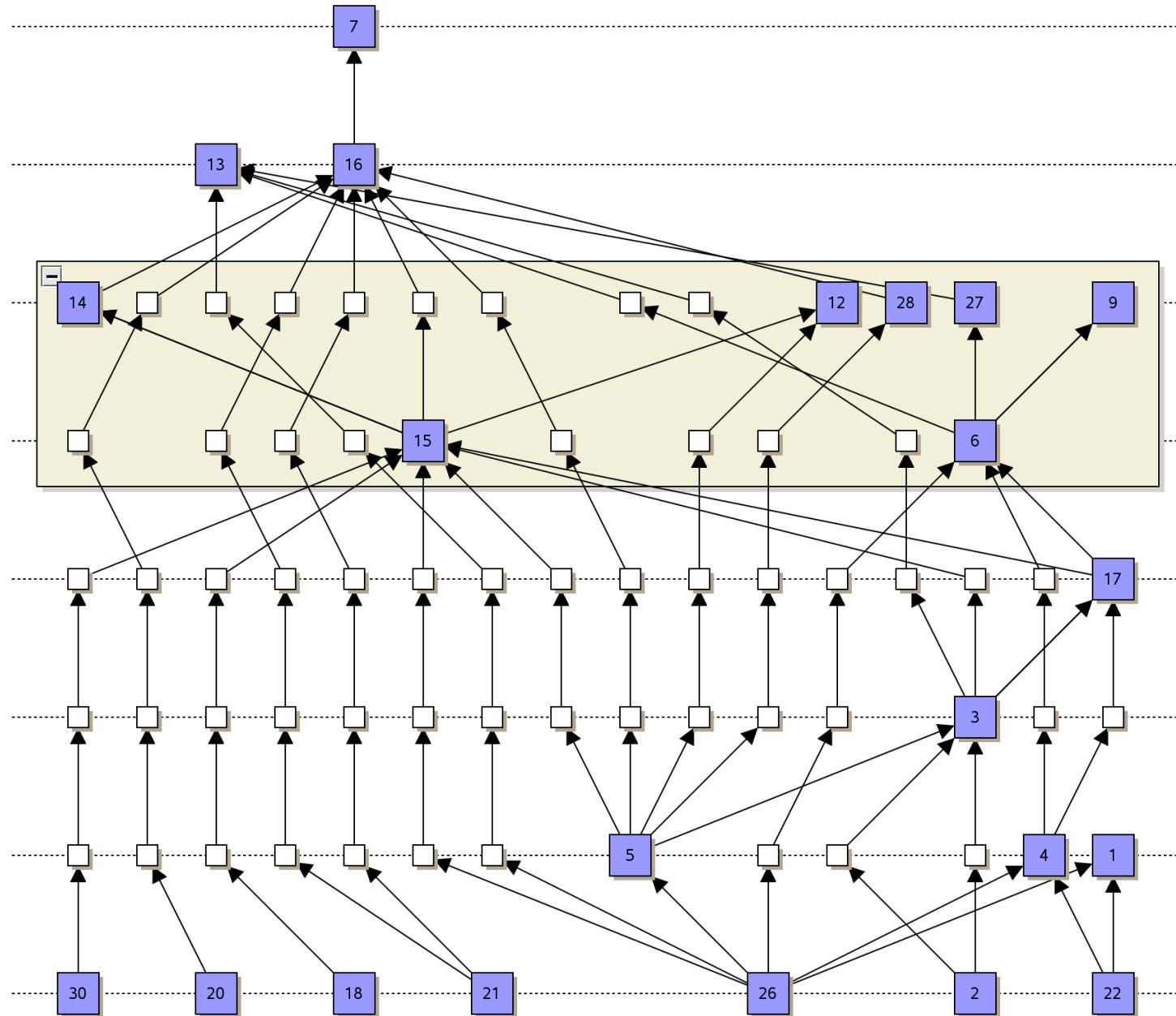
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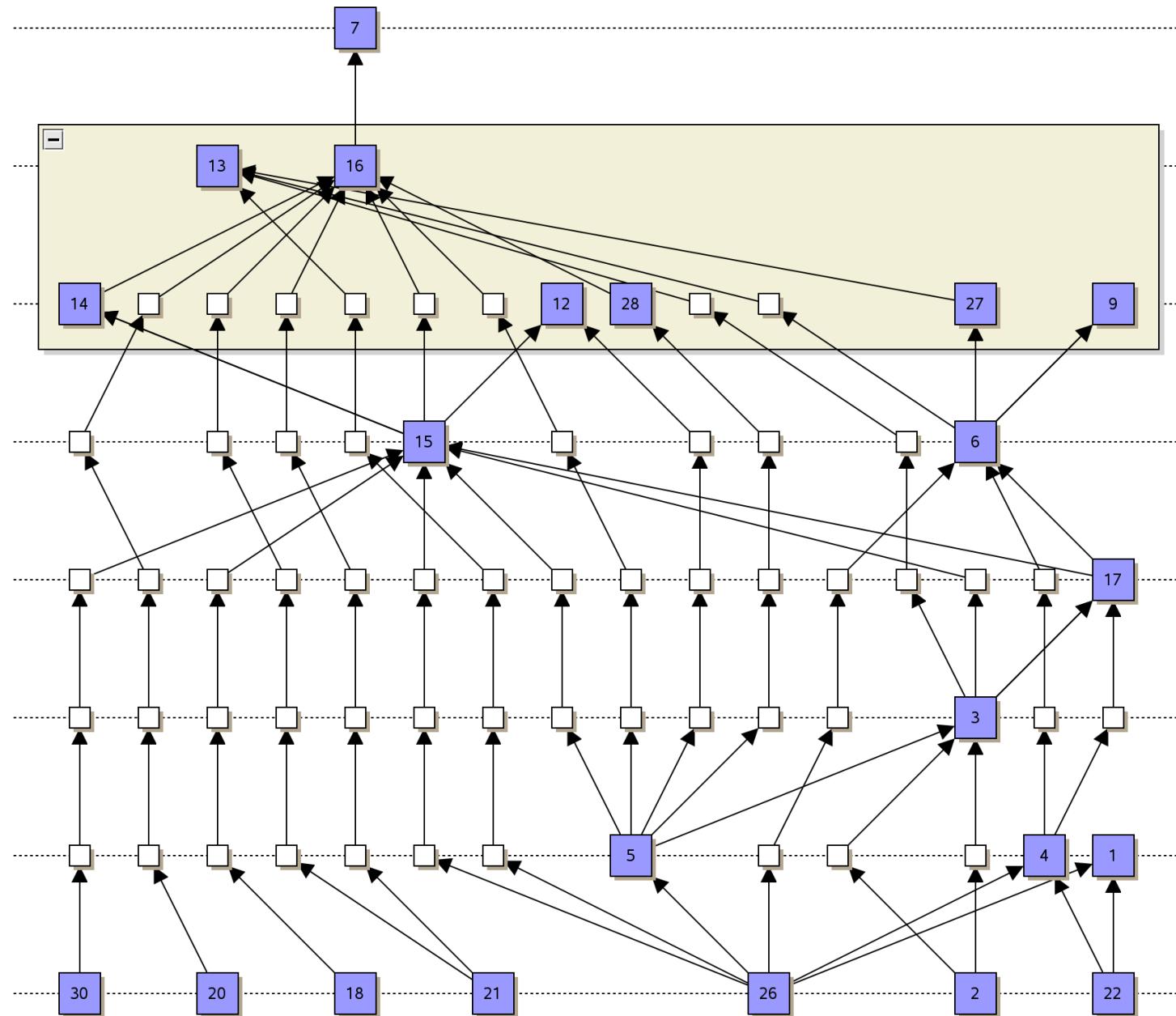
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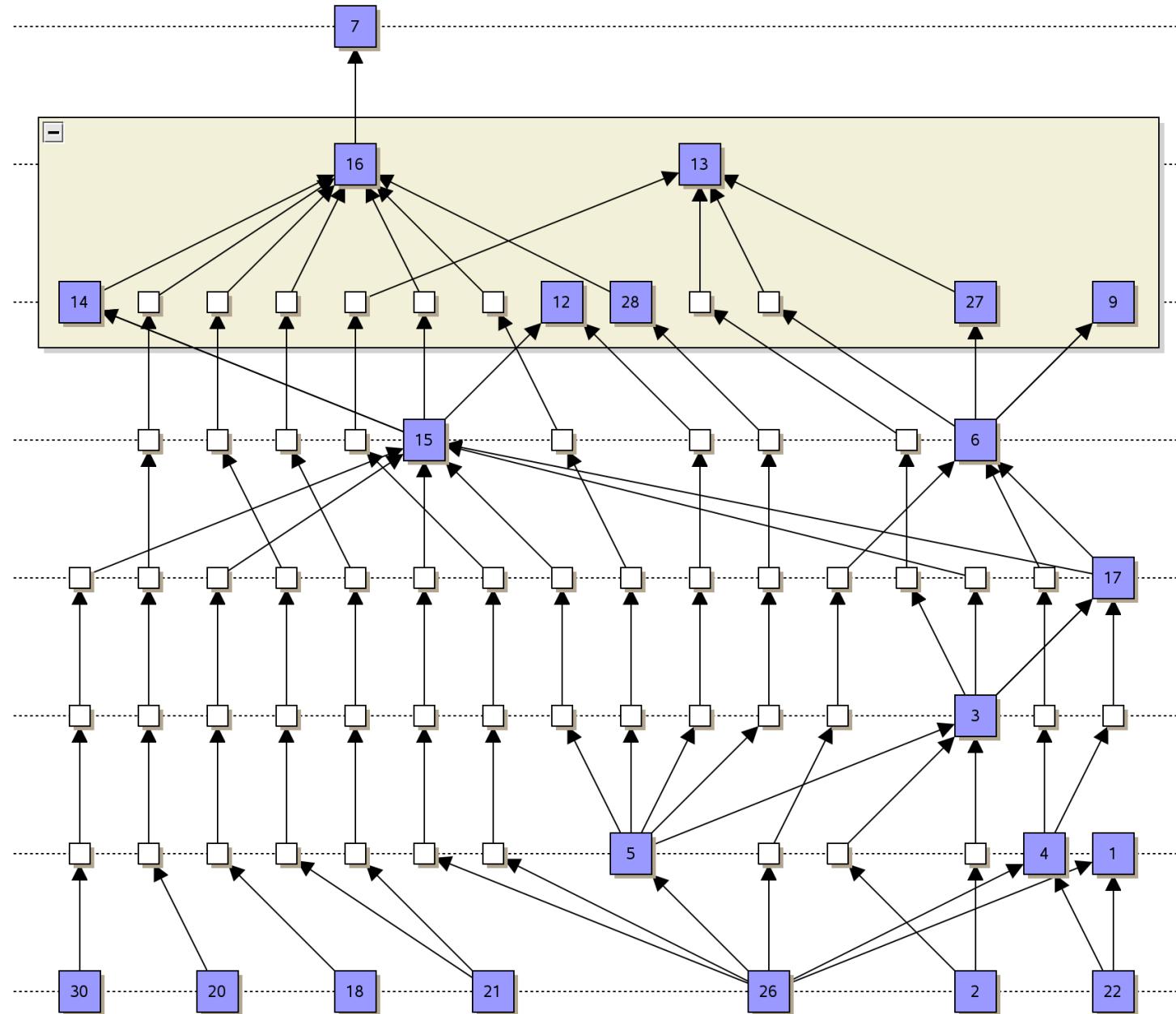
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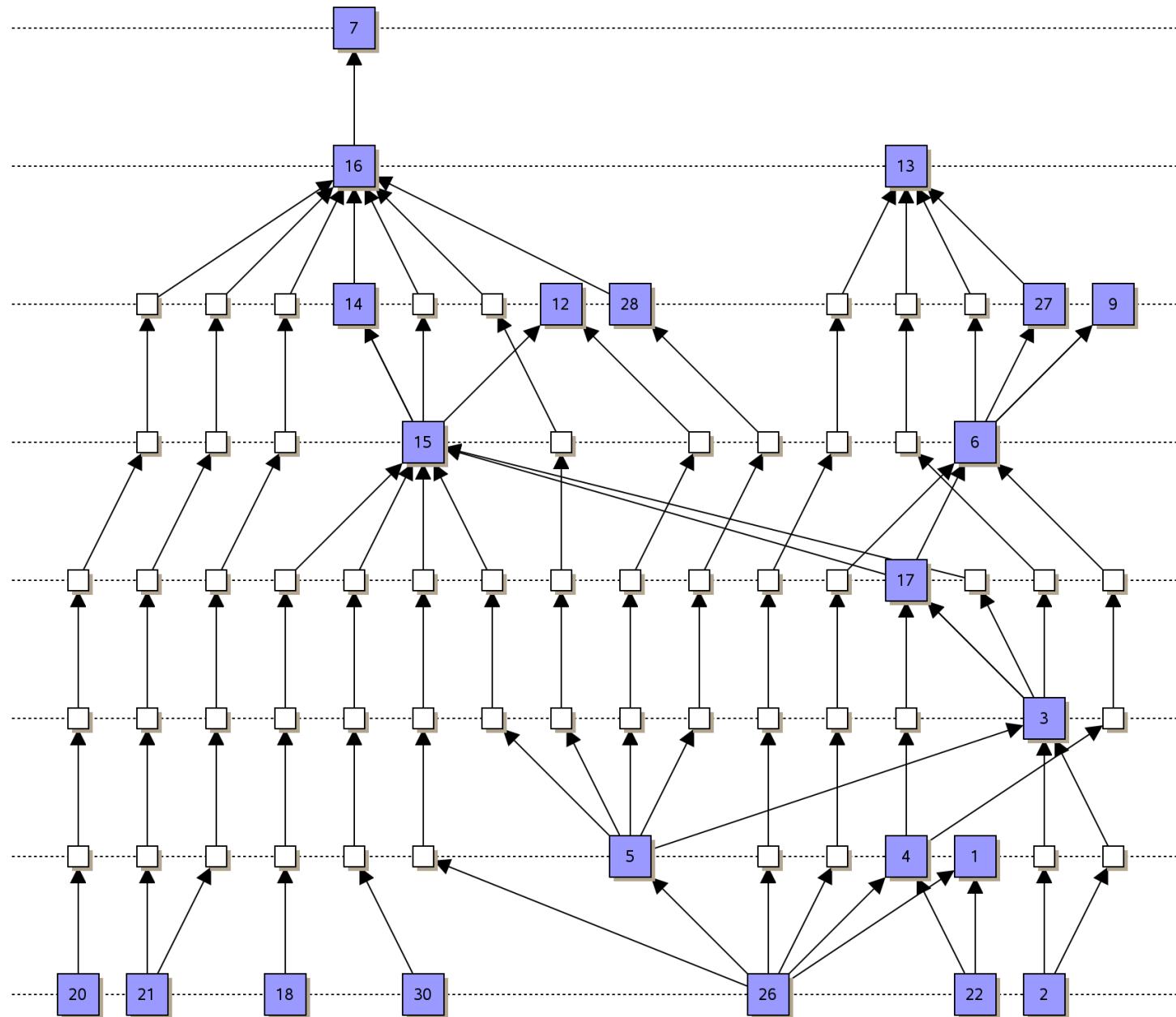
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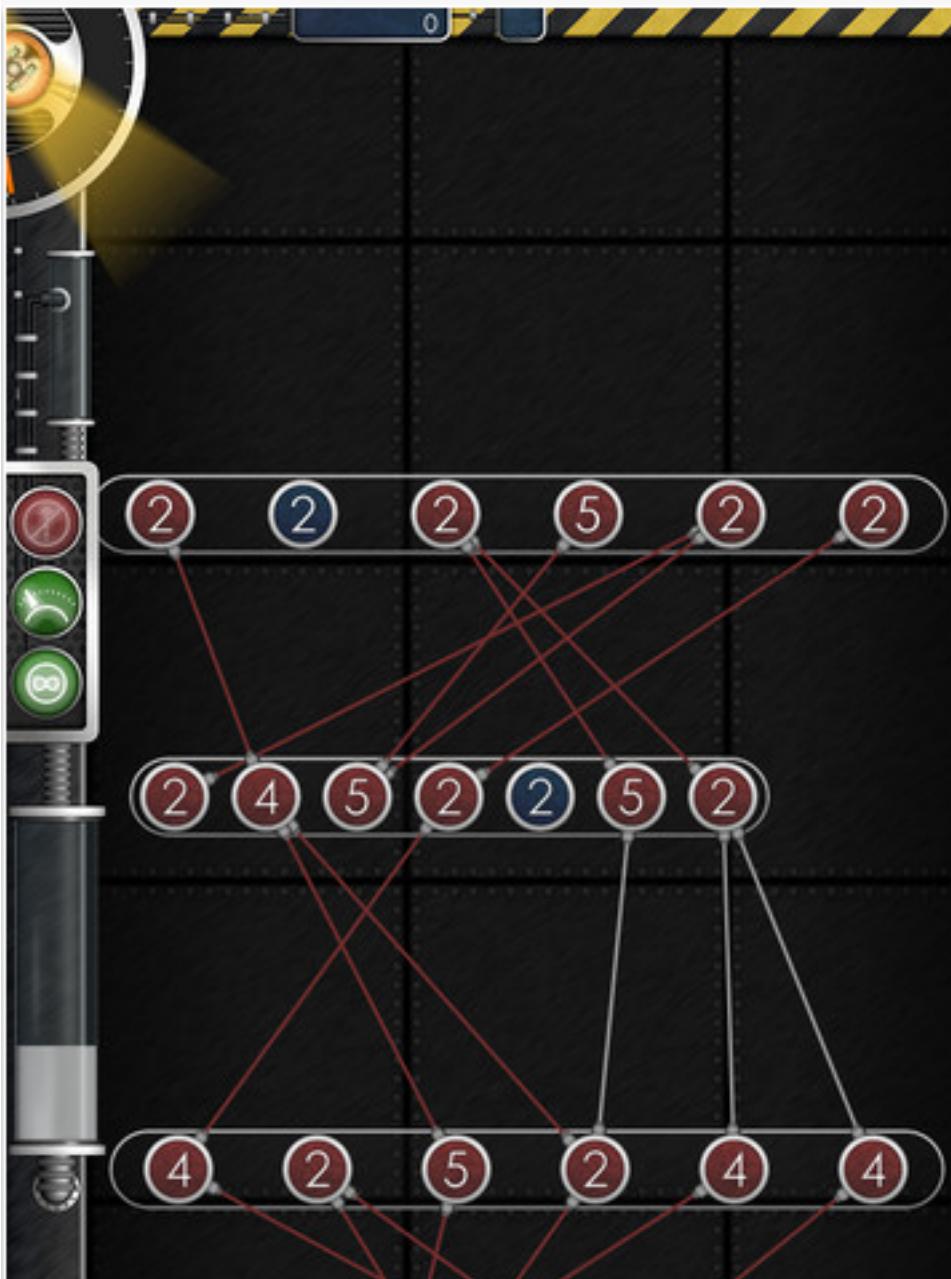


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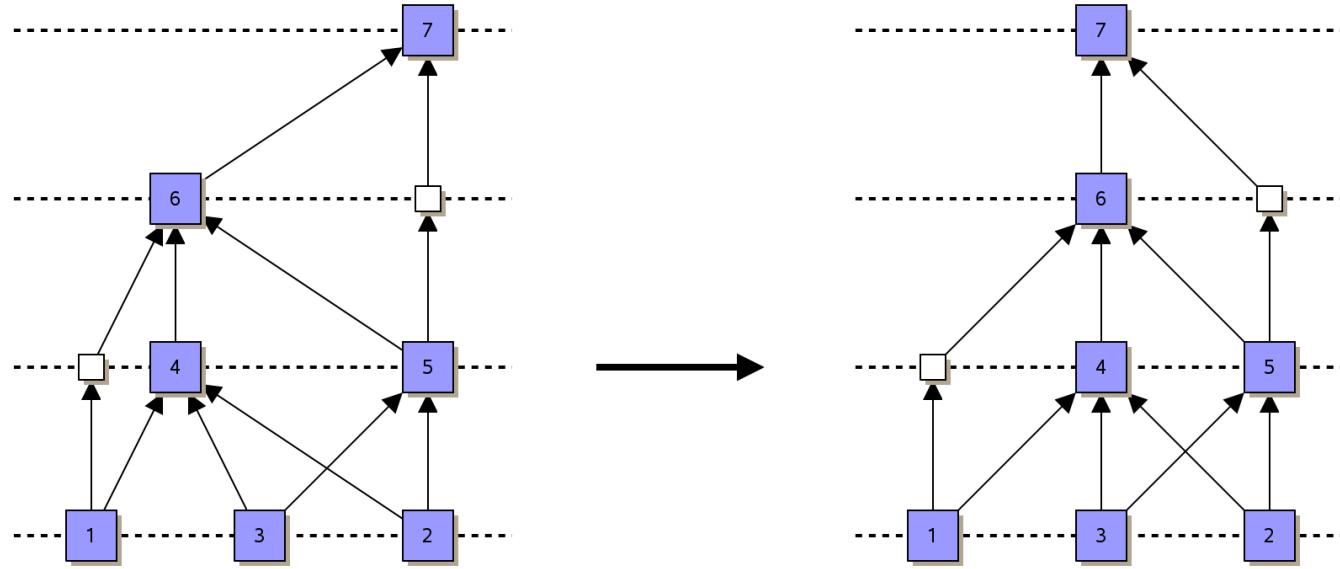




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Winner of Graph Drawing Game Contest 2012

# Step 4: Coordinate Computation



Which could be the goals?

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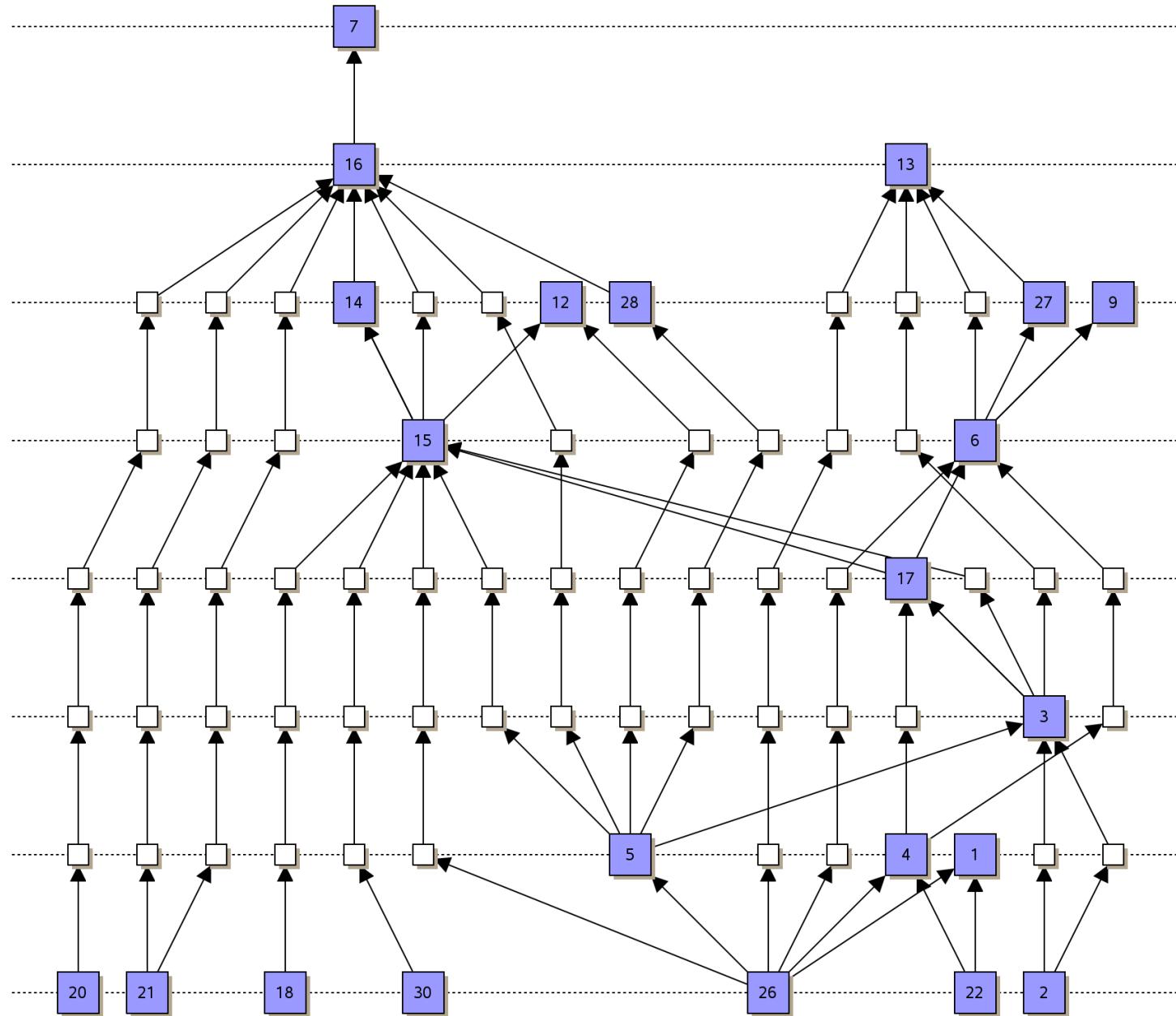
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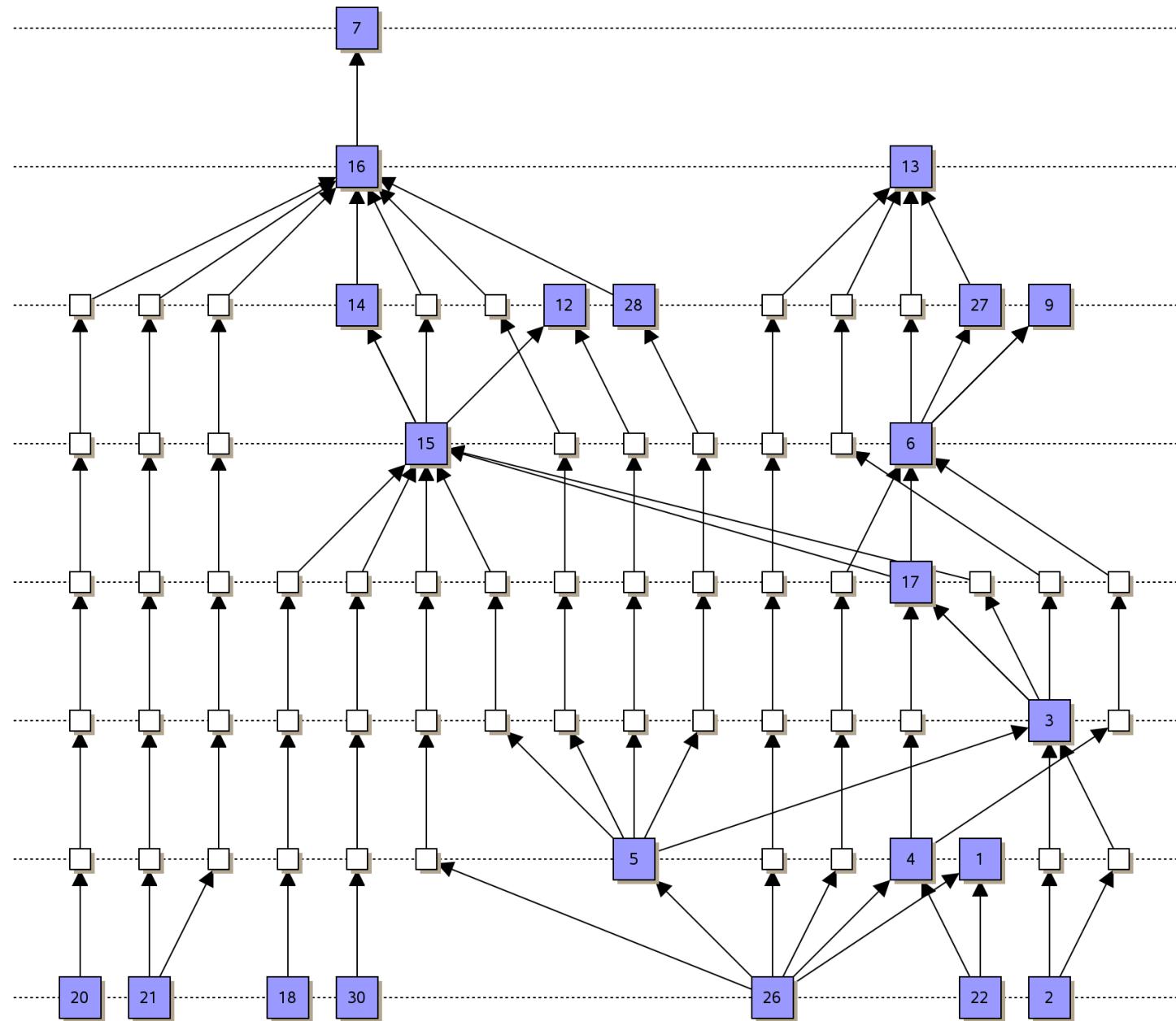
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- width can be exponential
- optimization function can be adapted to optimize "verticality"

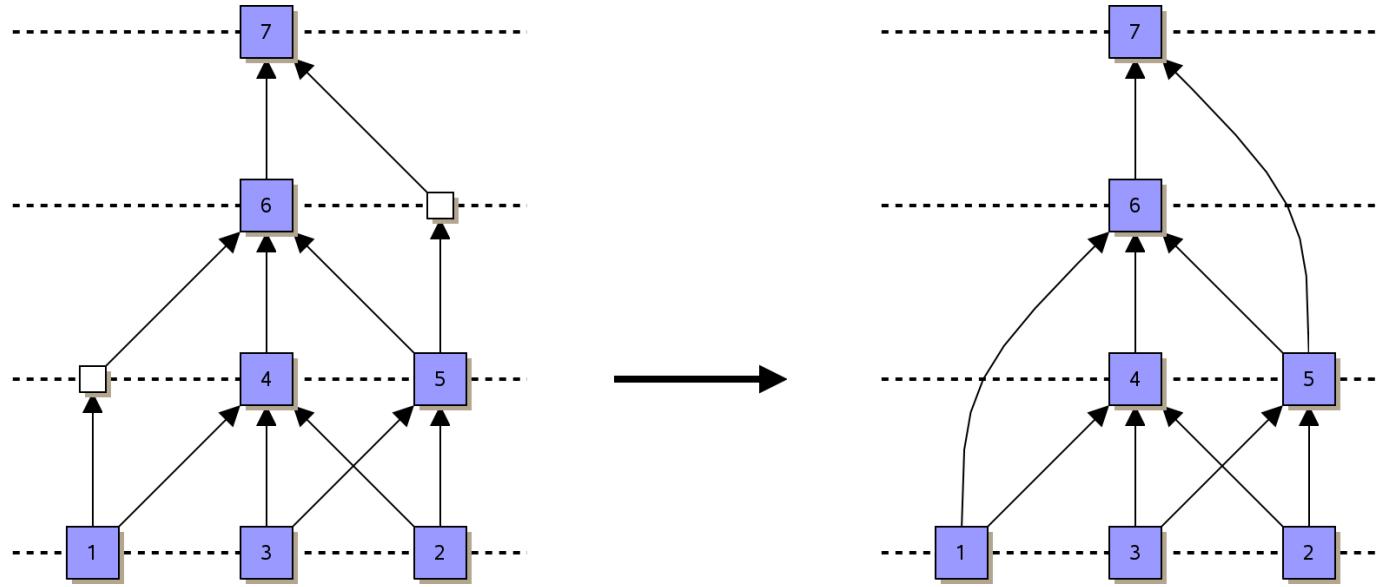
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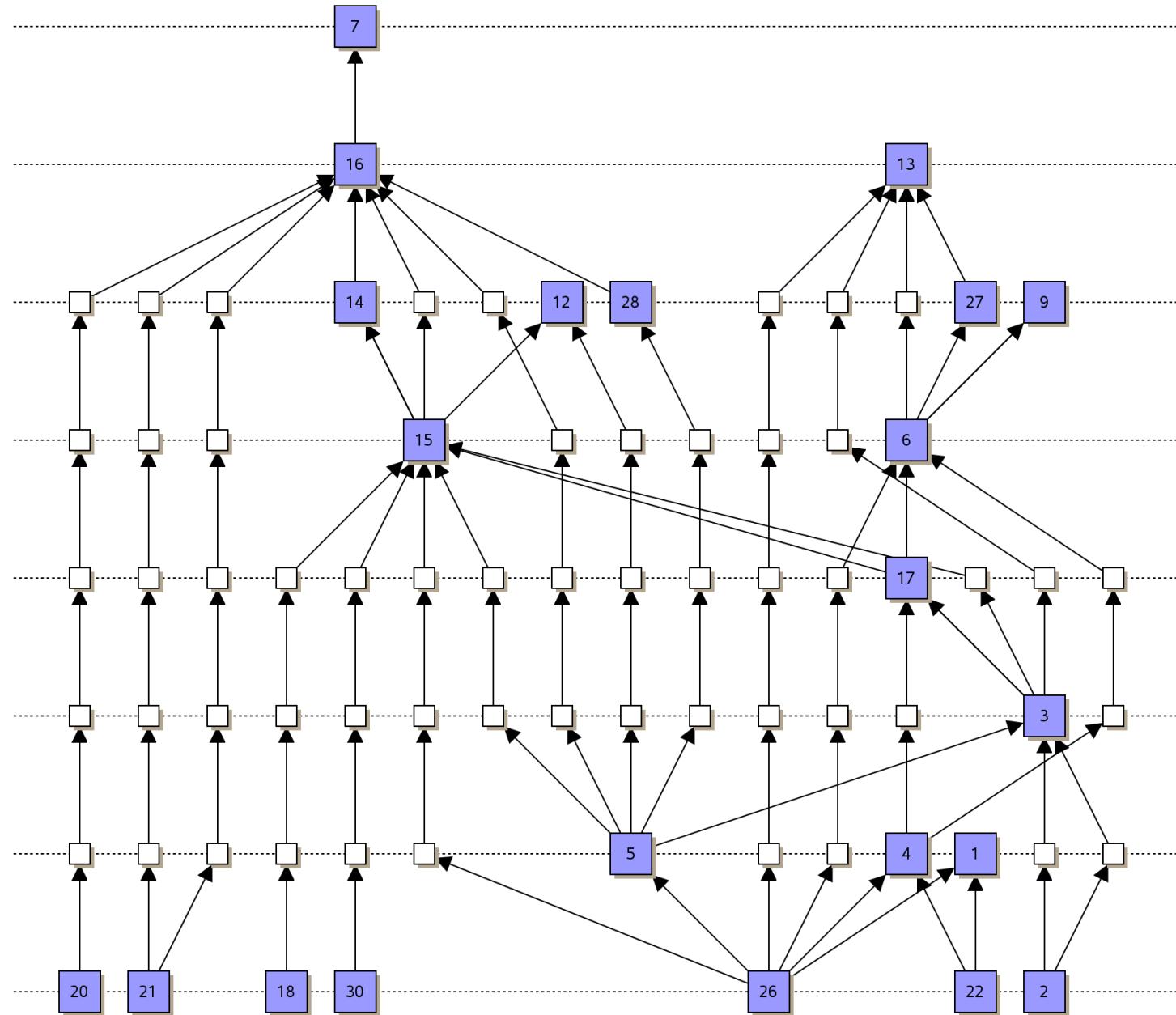


# Step 5: Drawing edges

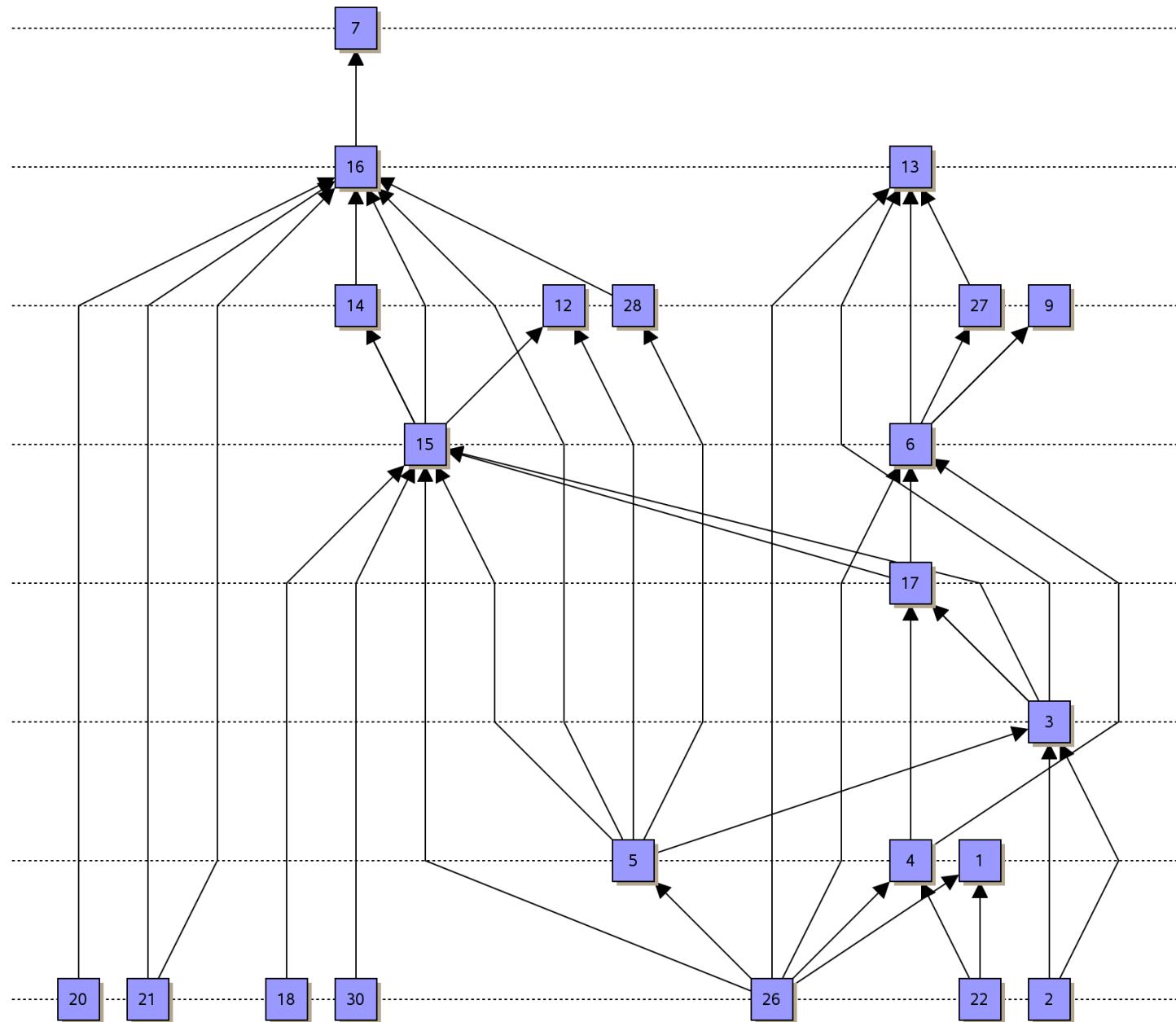


Possibility: Substitute polylines by Bézier curves

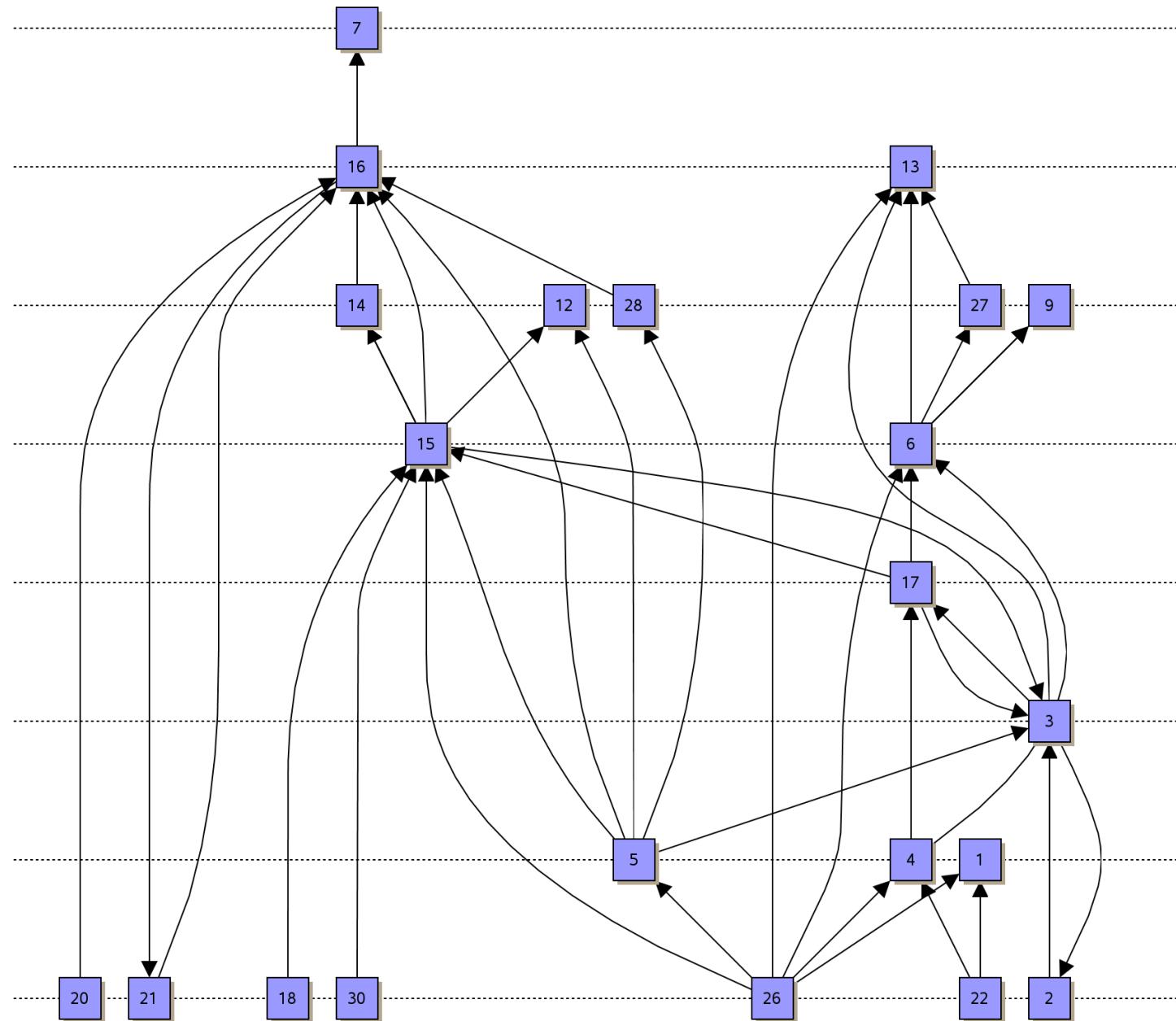
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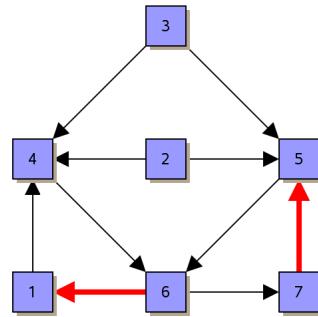
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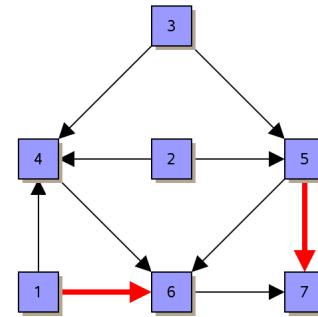
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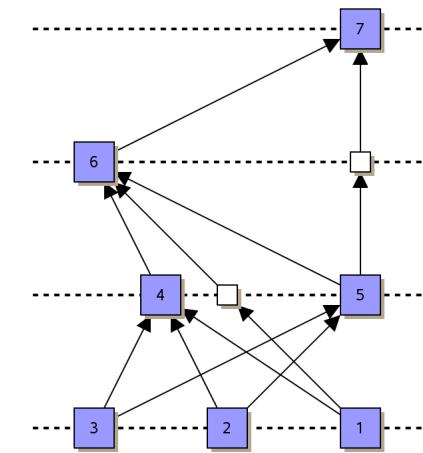
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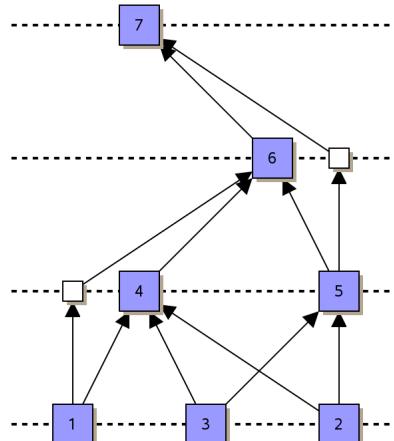
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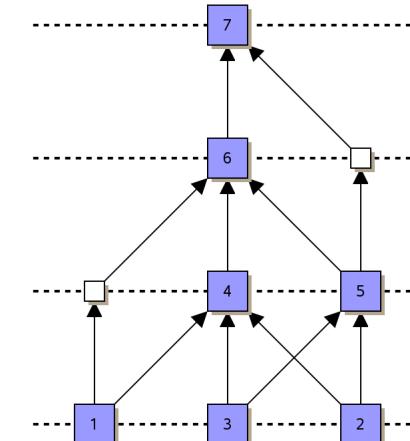
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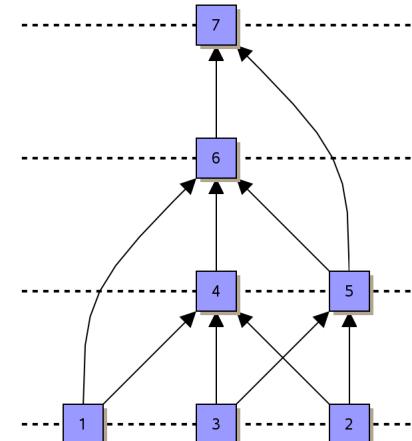
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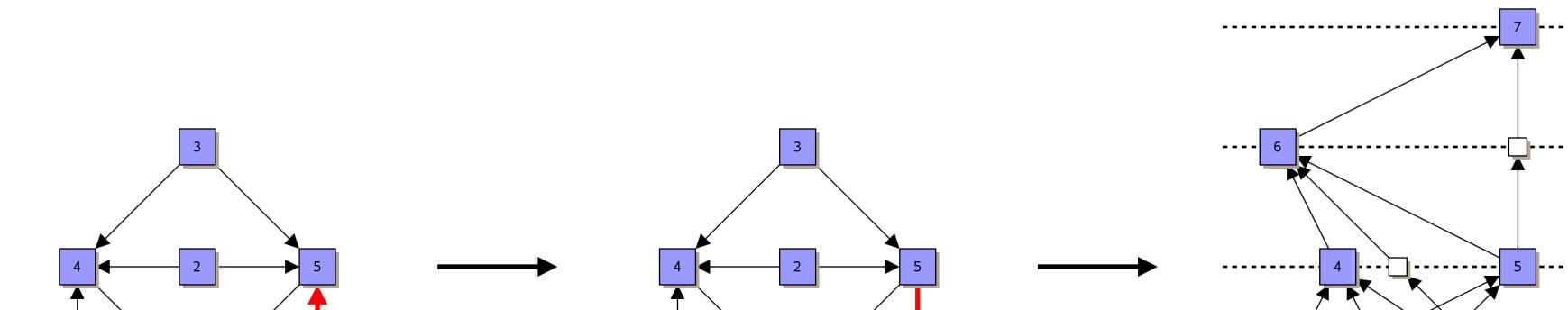


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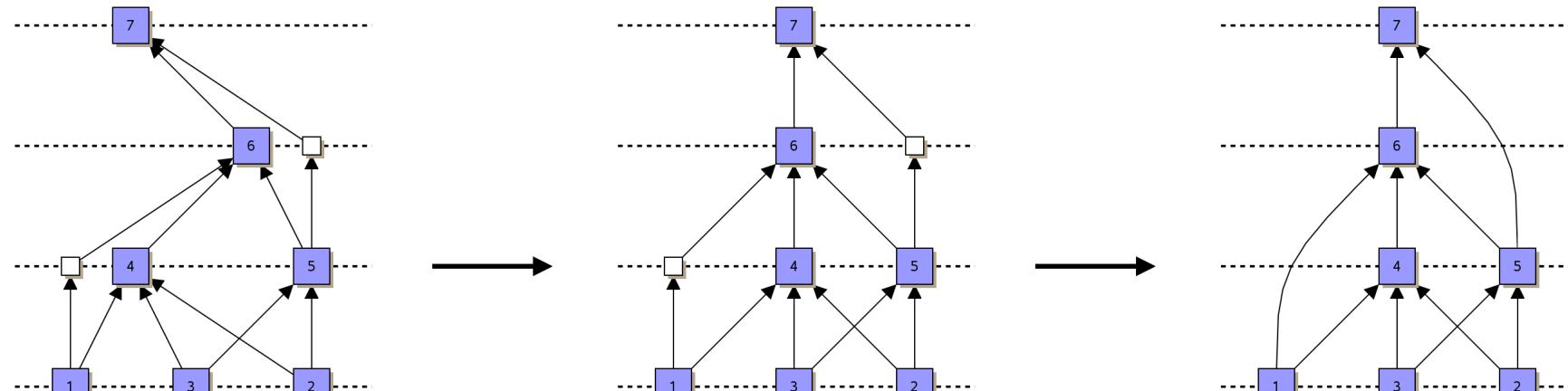


edge drawing

# Summary



- flexible Framework to draw directed graphs
- sequential optimization of various criteria
- modelling gives NP-hard problems, which can still be solved quite well



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crossing minimization

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