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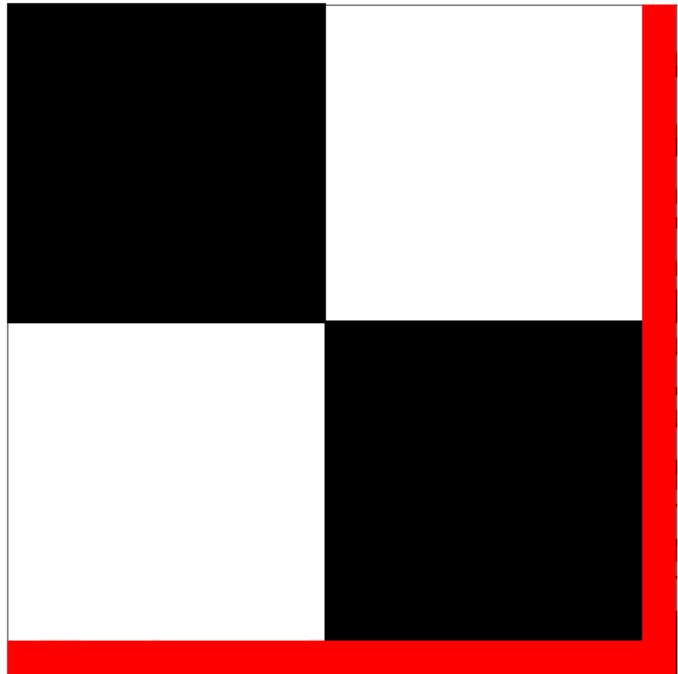
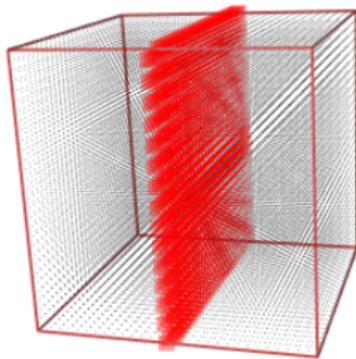
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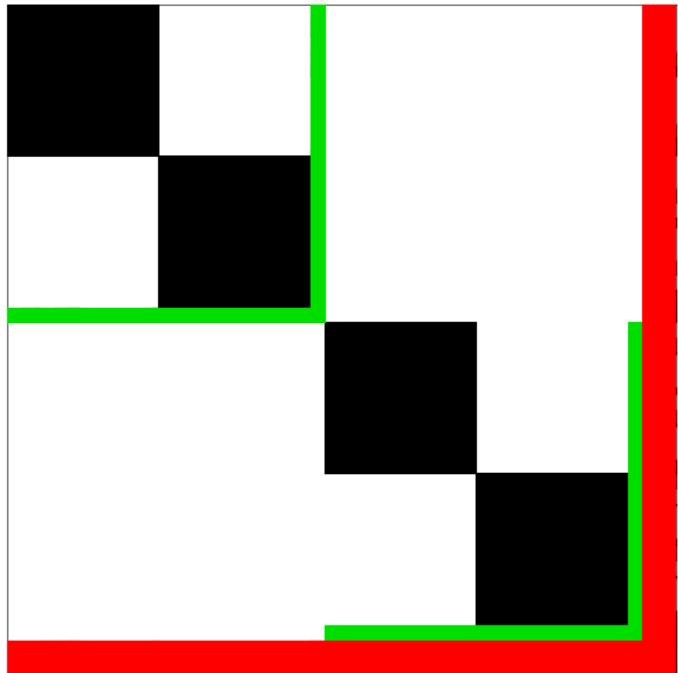
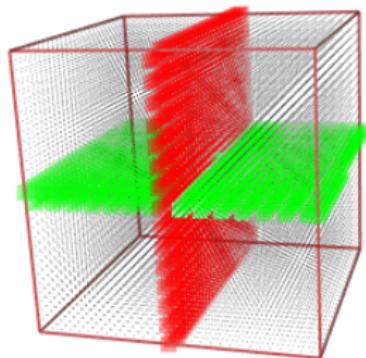
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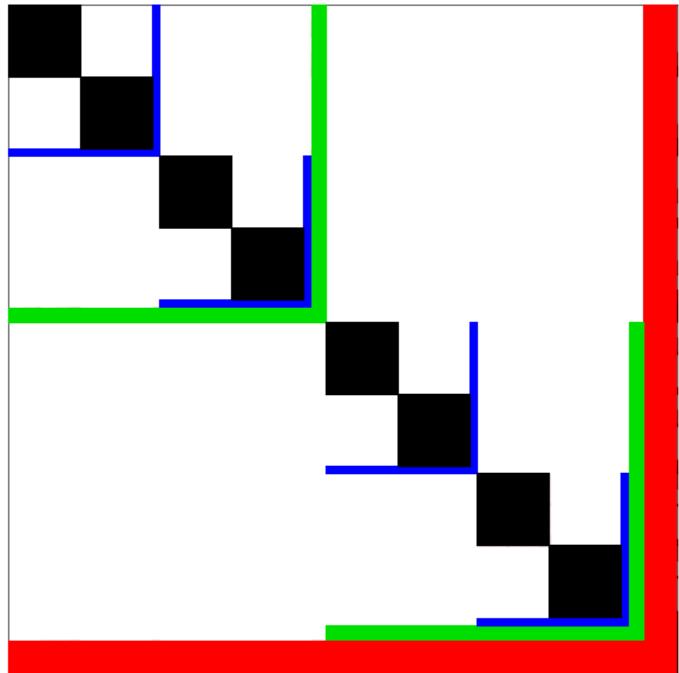
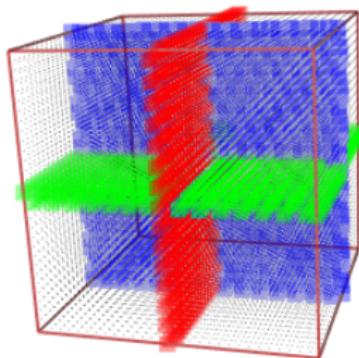
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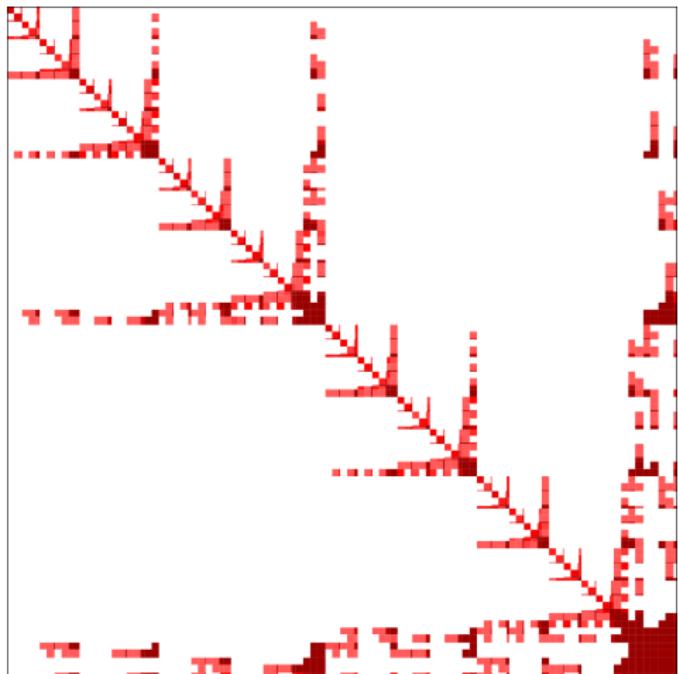
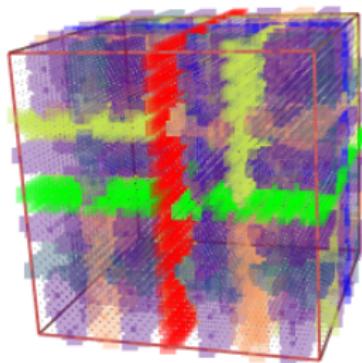
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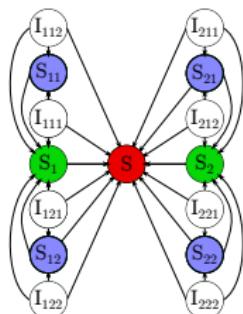
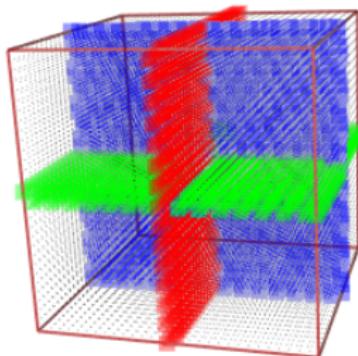
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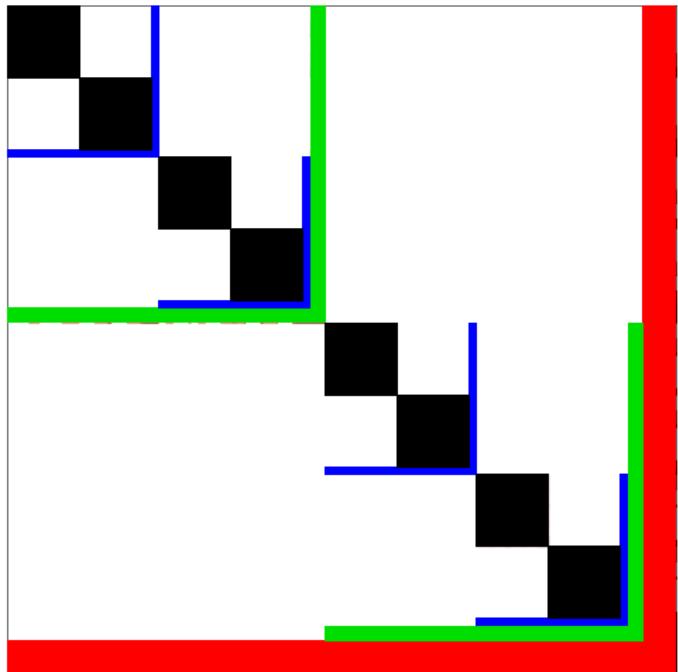


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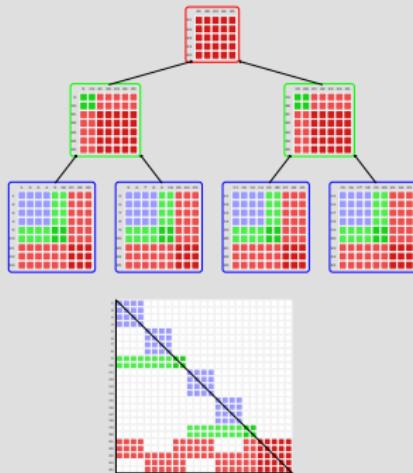
Quotient Graph



Matrix

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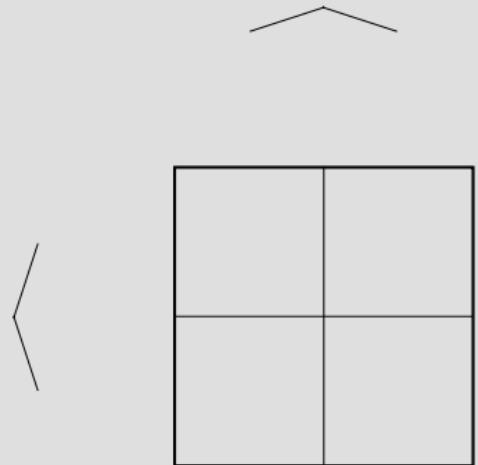
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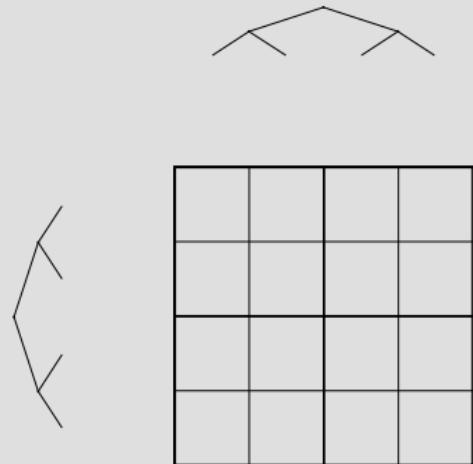
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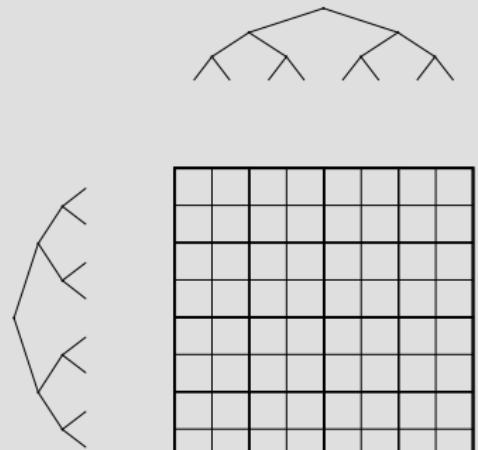
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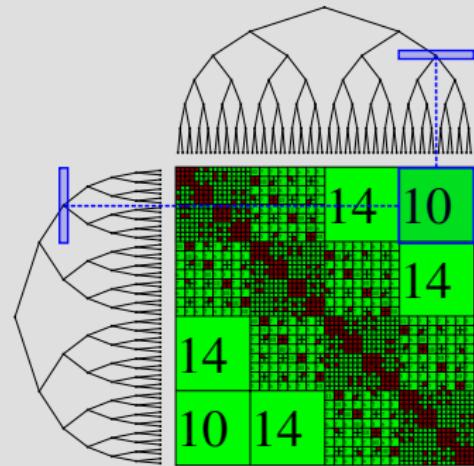
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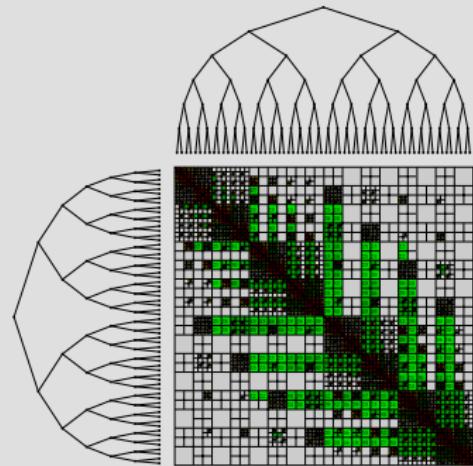
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# Problem formulation

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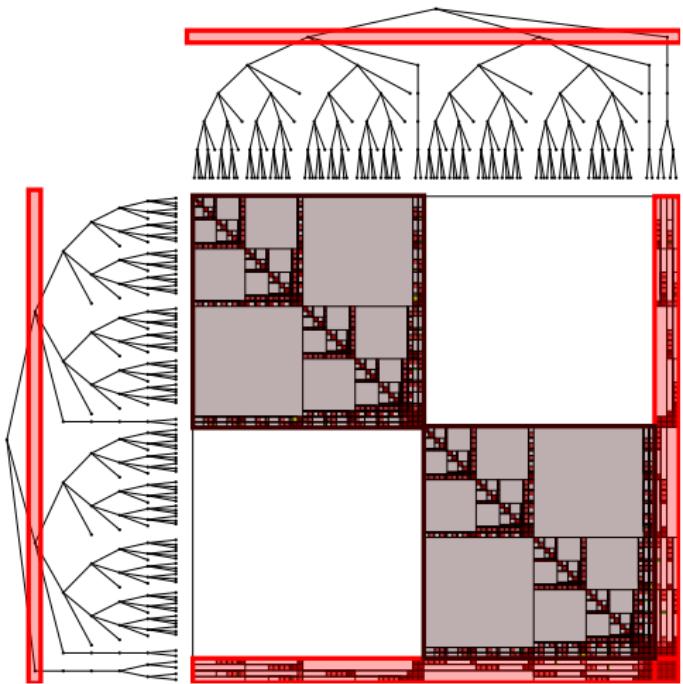
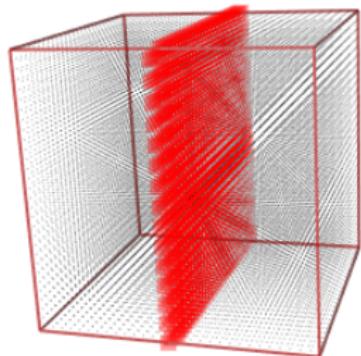
# Objectives

Combine hierarchical and sparse techniques

- Number of non-zeros as low as sparse direct methods
- A global hierarchical structure

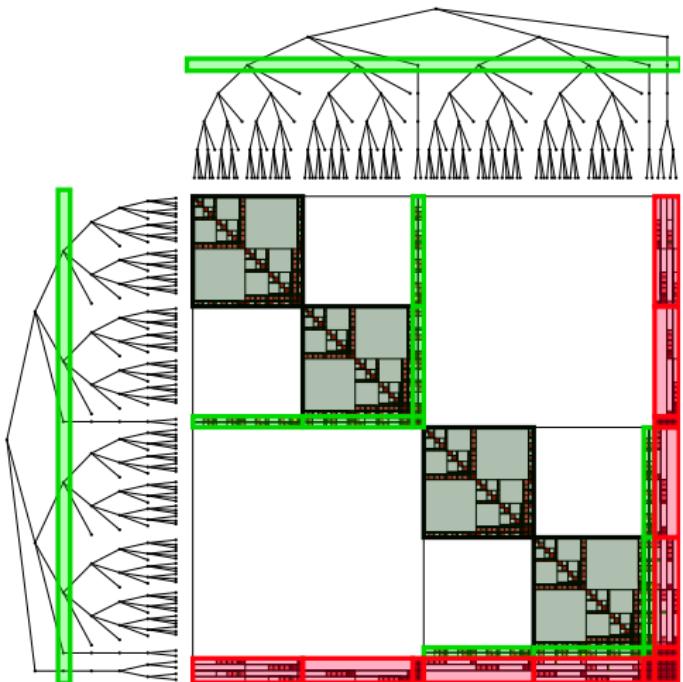
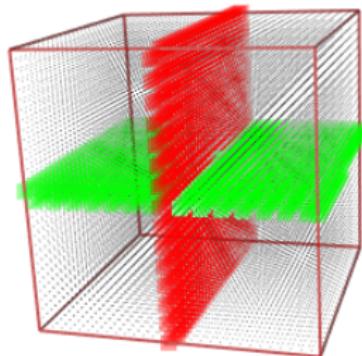
→ Hierarchical Symbolic Factorization

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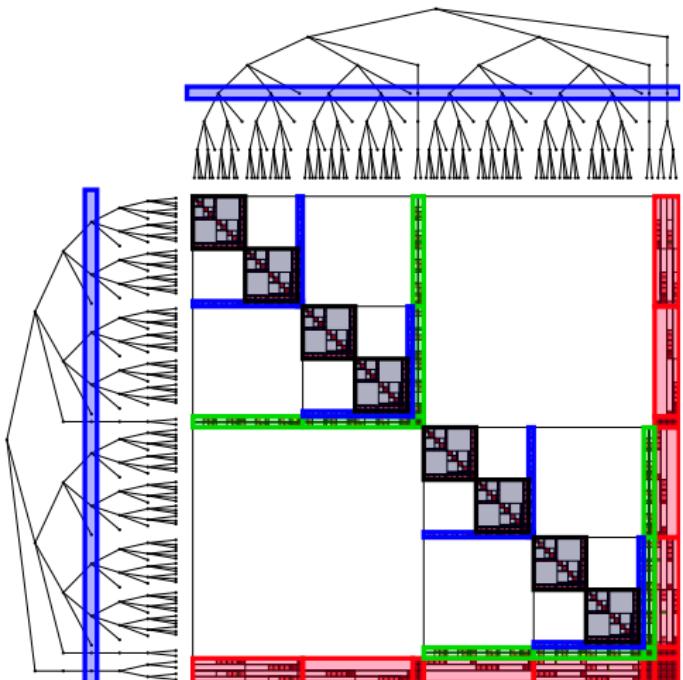
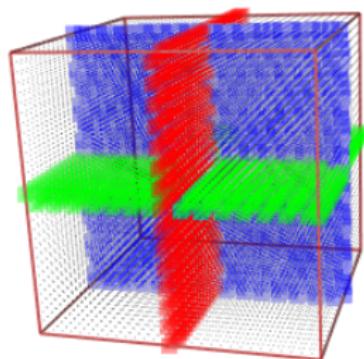
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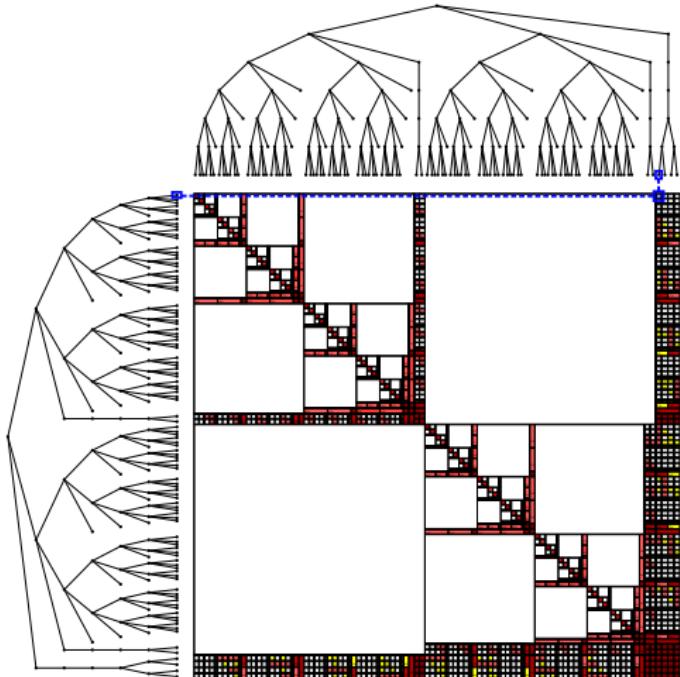
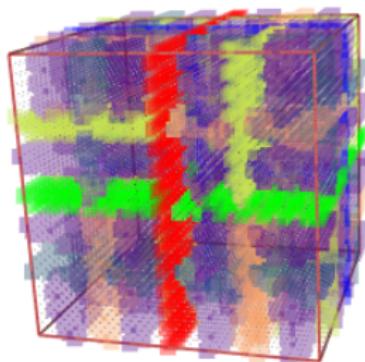
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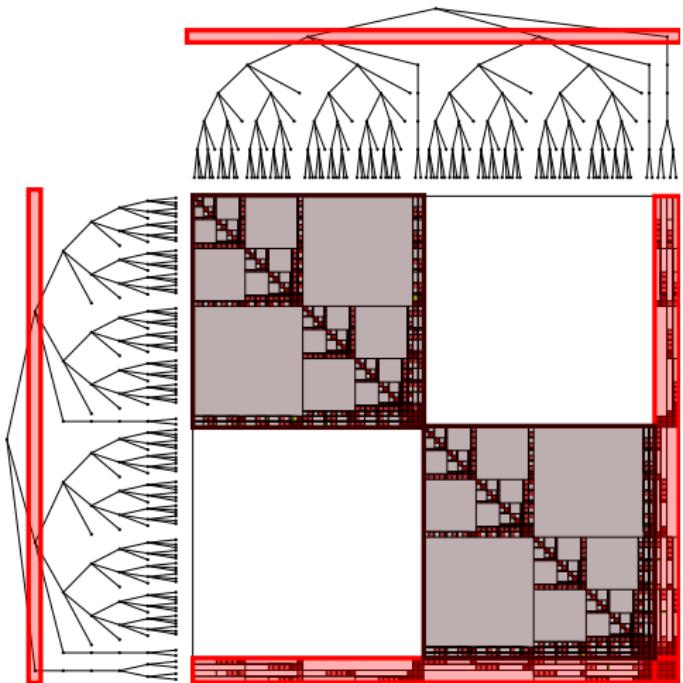
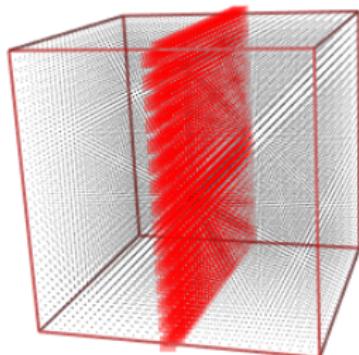
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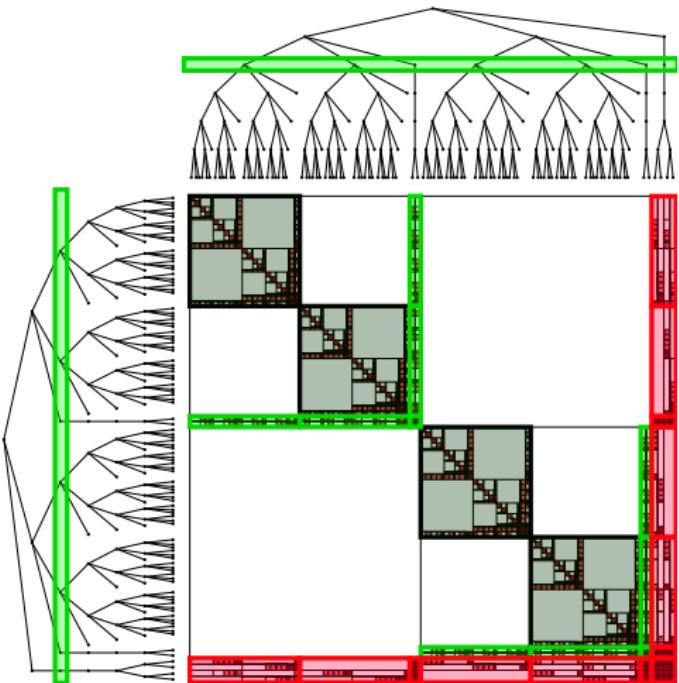
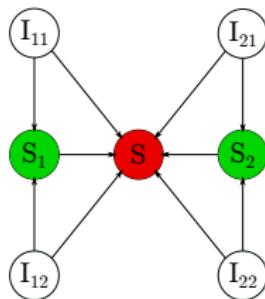
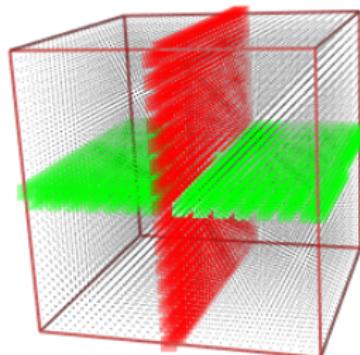
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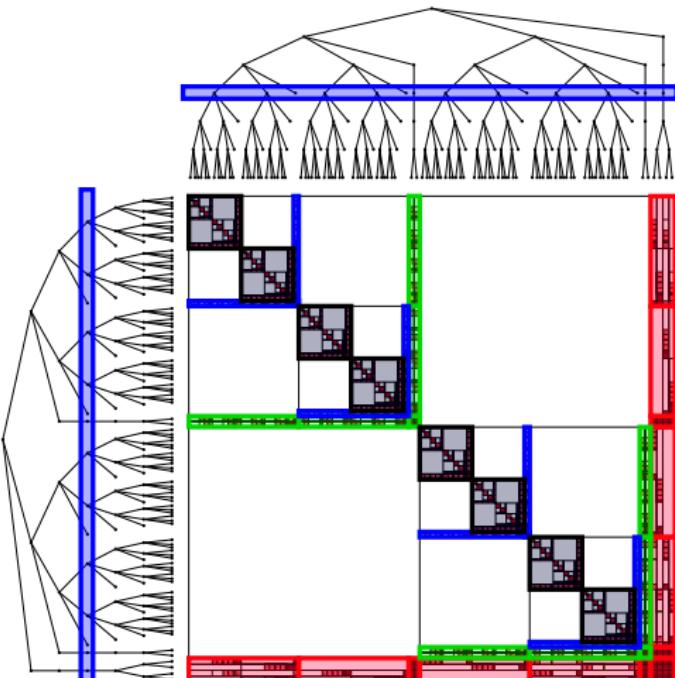
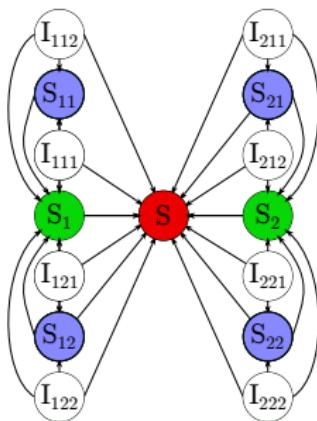
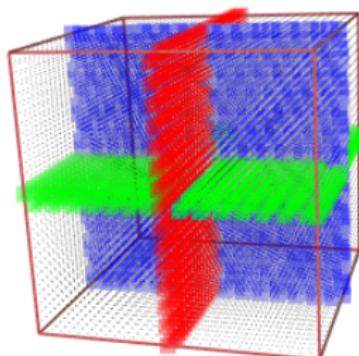
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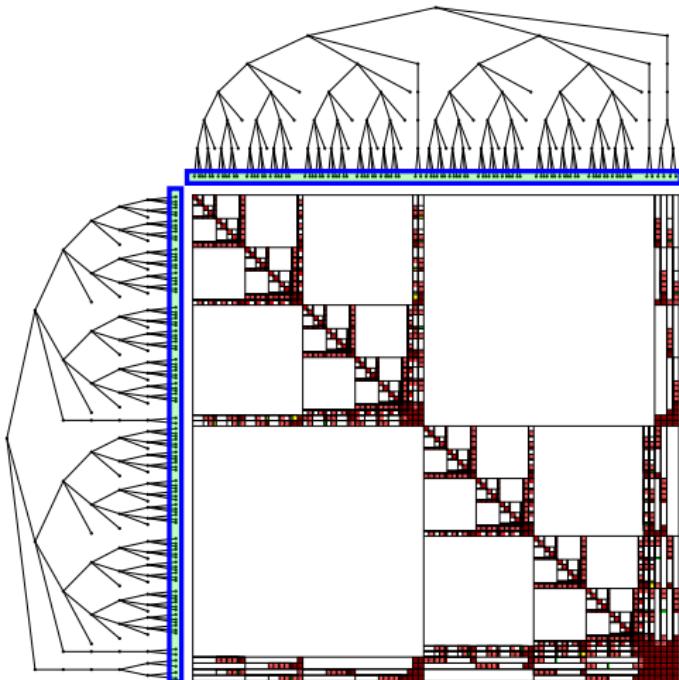
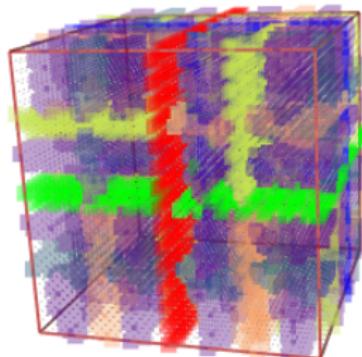
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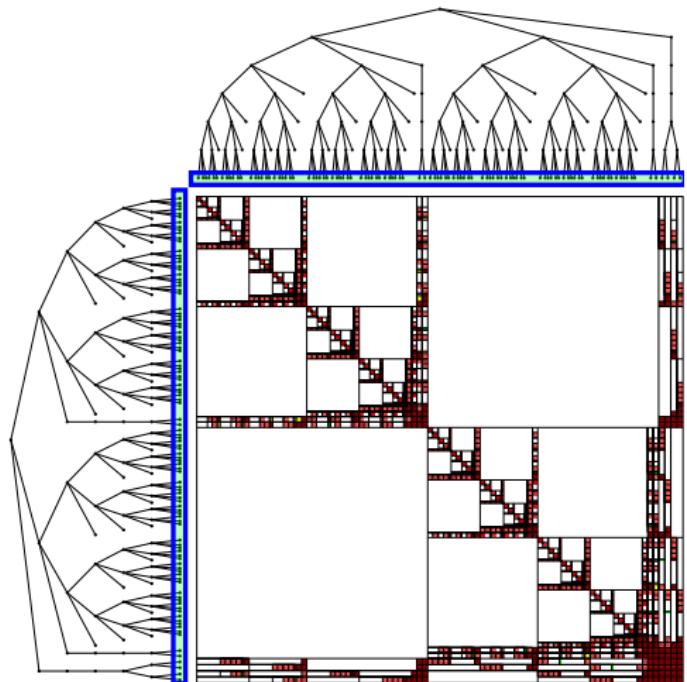
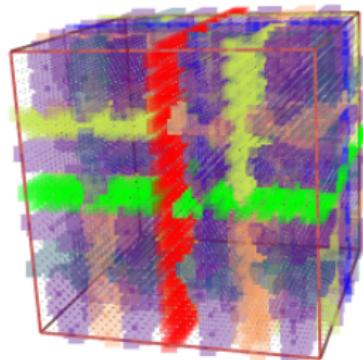


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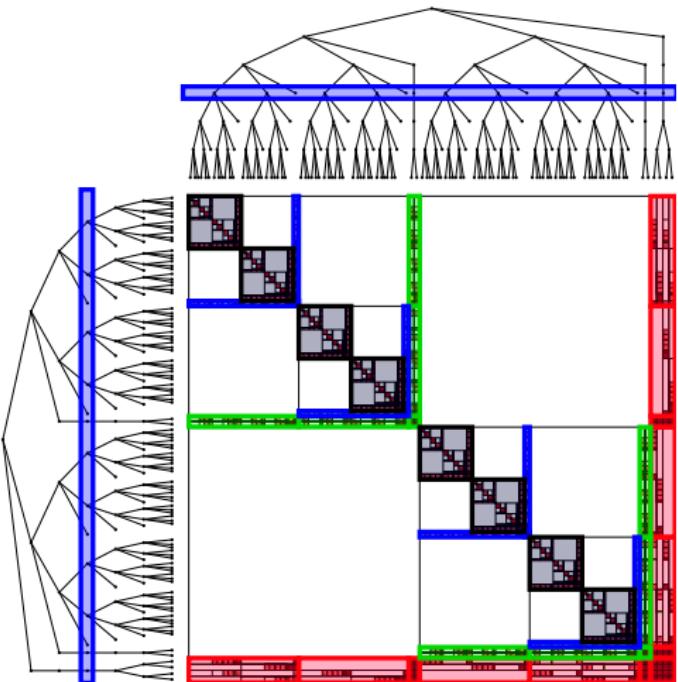
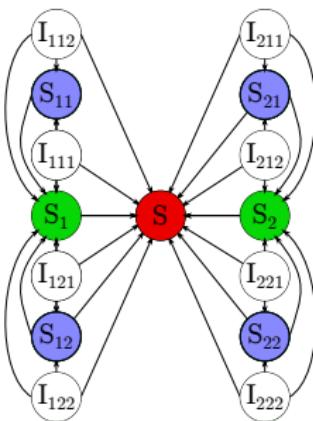
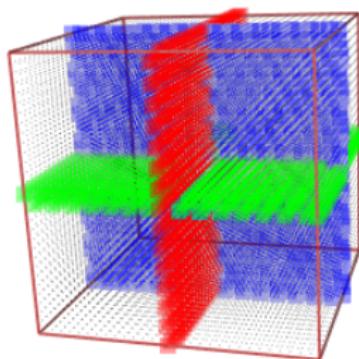
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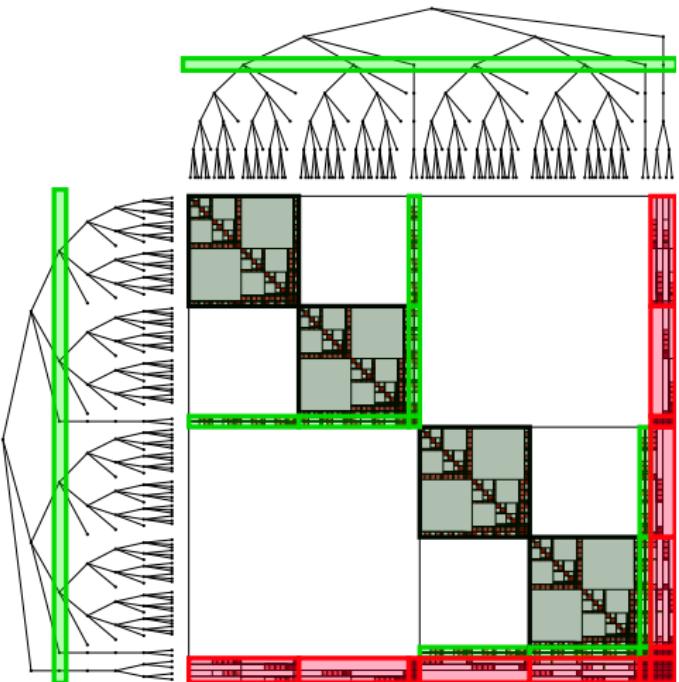
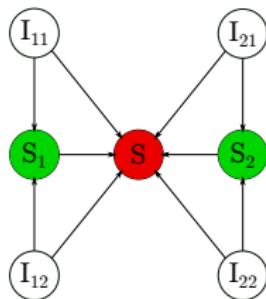
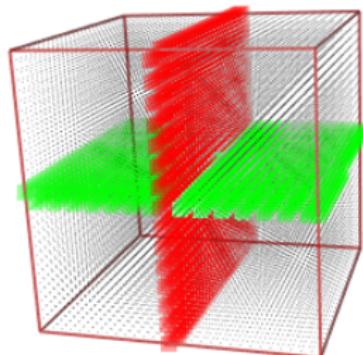


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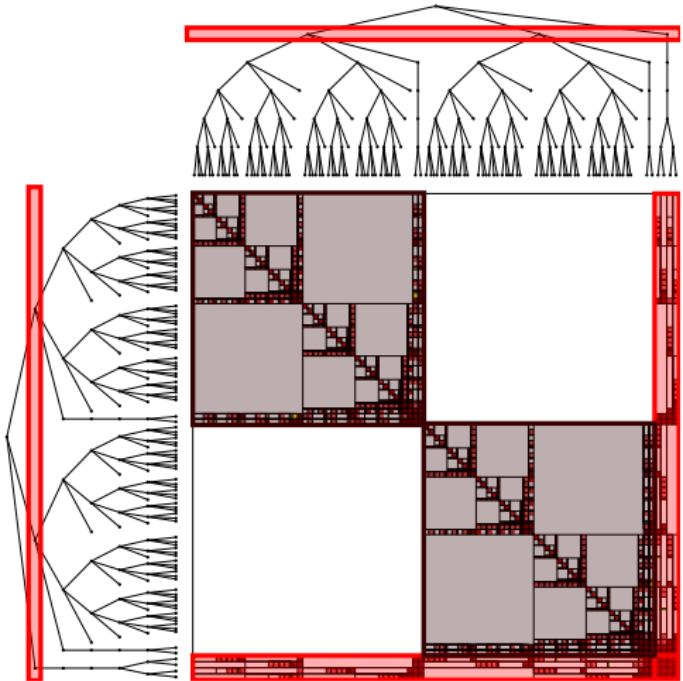
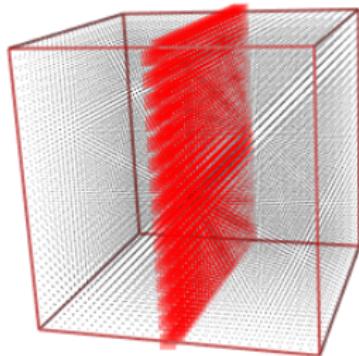
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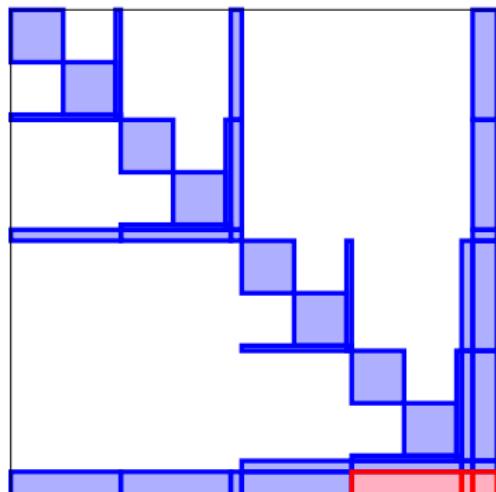
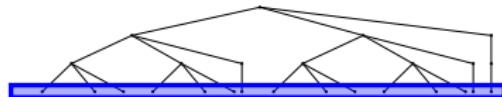
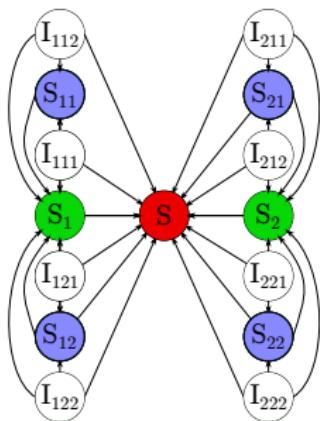
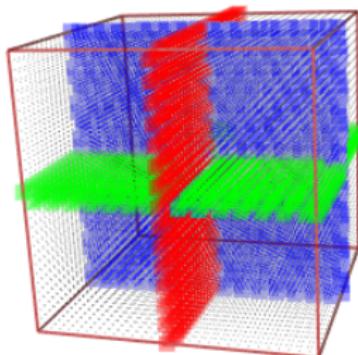
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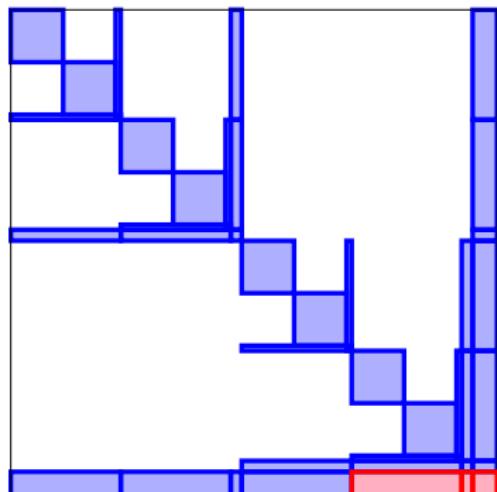
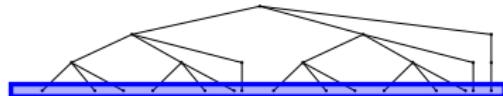
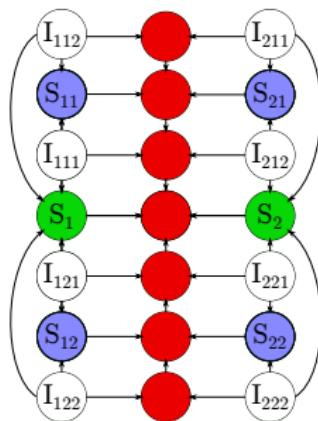
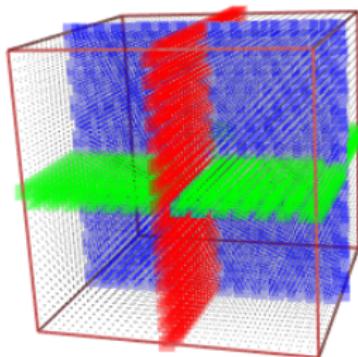


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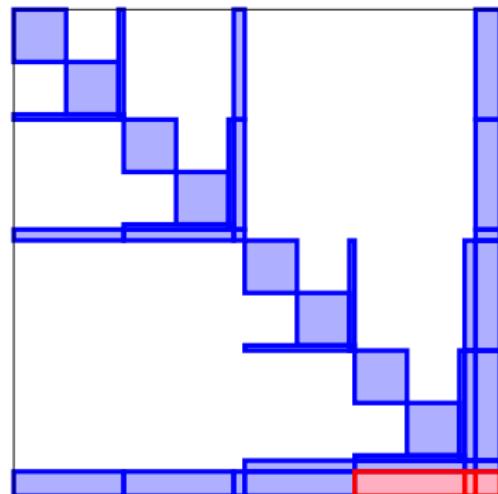
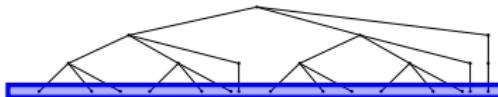
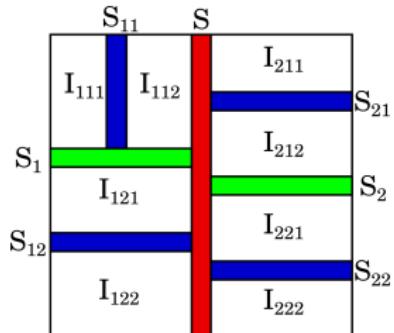
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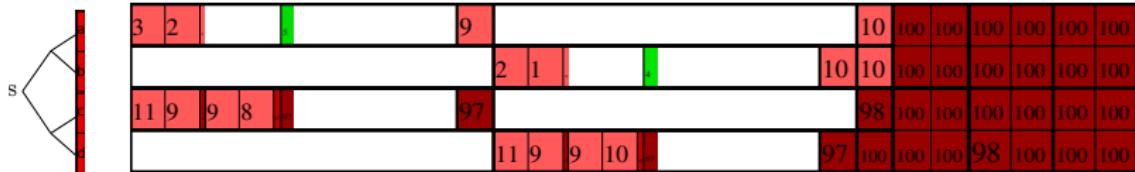
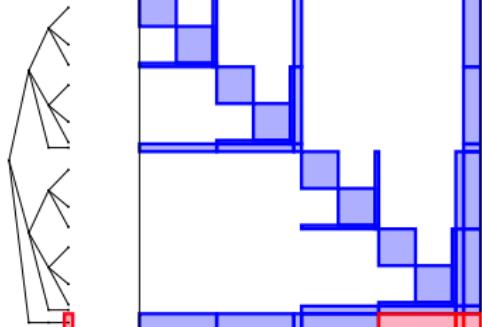
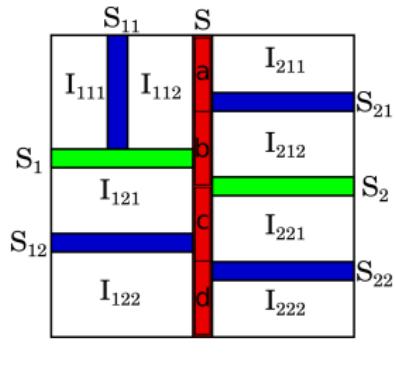
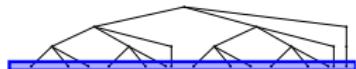


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Minimizing extra-diagonal blocks is NP-hard  
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# Interactions-Oblivious Separator Bisection

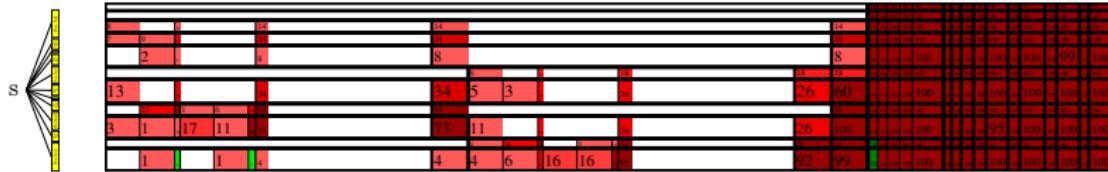
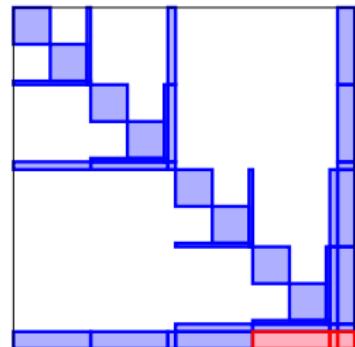
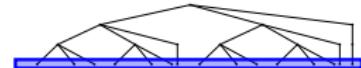
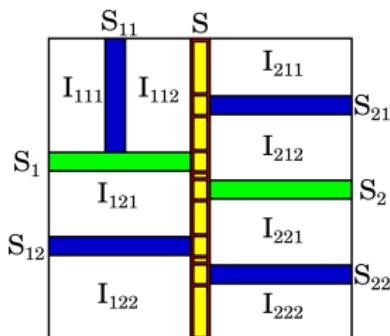


A diagram showing a hierarchical tree structure next to a matrix with colored blocks (red, green, white) representing the bisection and separator regions.

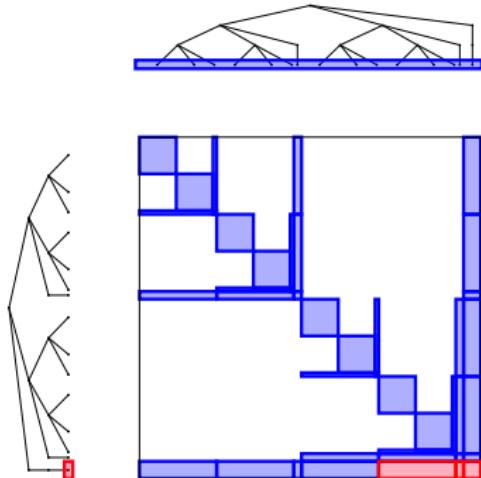
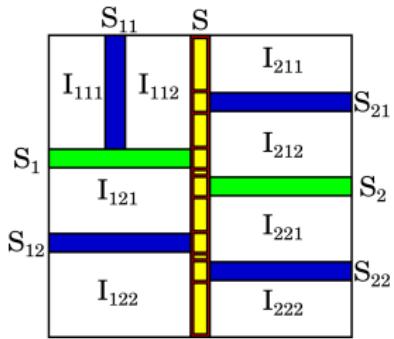
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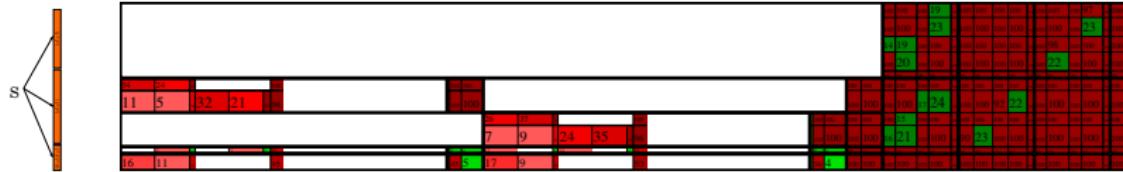
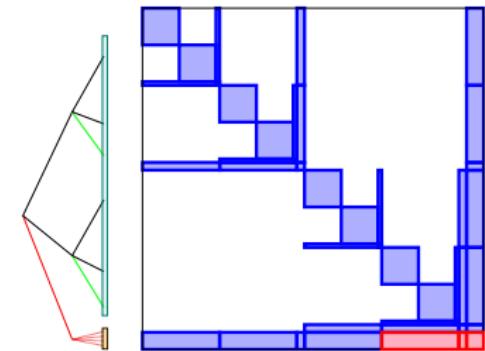
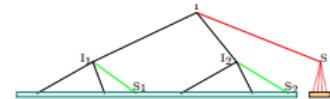
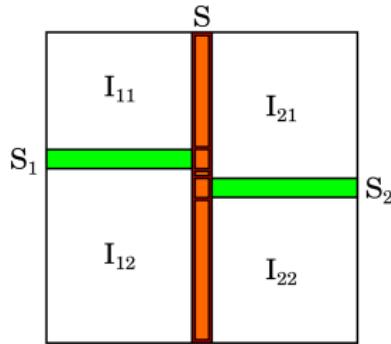


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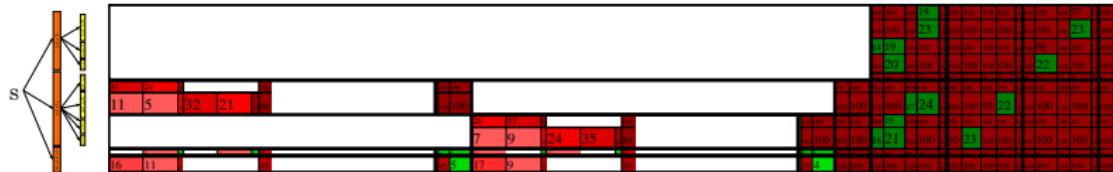
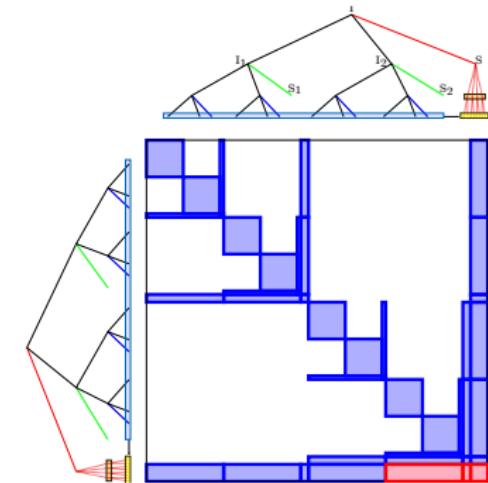
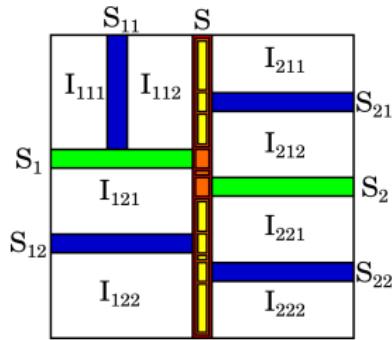


Related to T4 supernodes [Demmel et al., 1999] but too rare and therefore usually rejected

# Interactions-Aware Hierarchical Separator Division (IA-HSD)

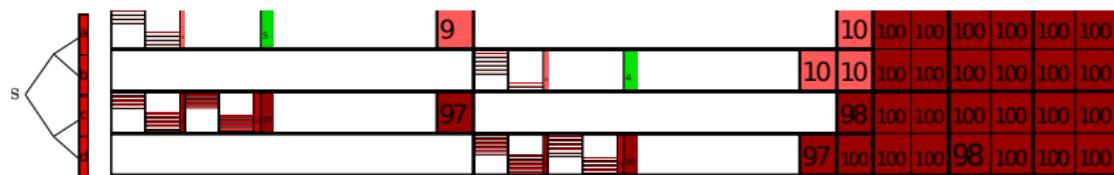
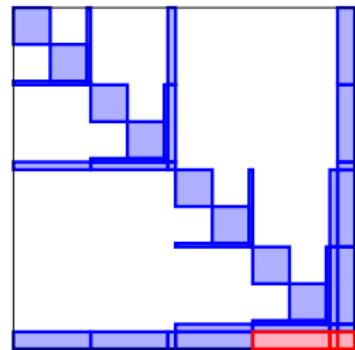
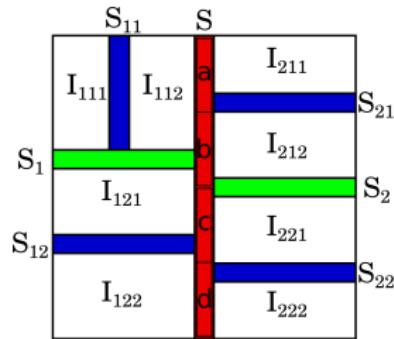
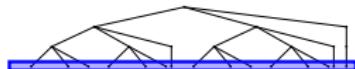


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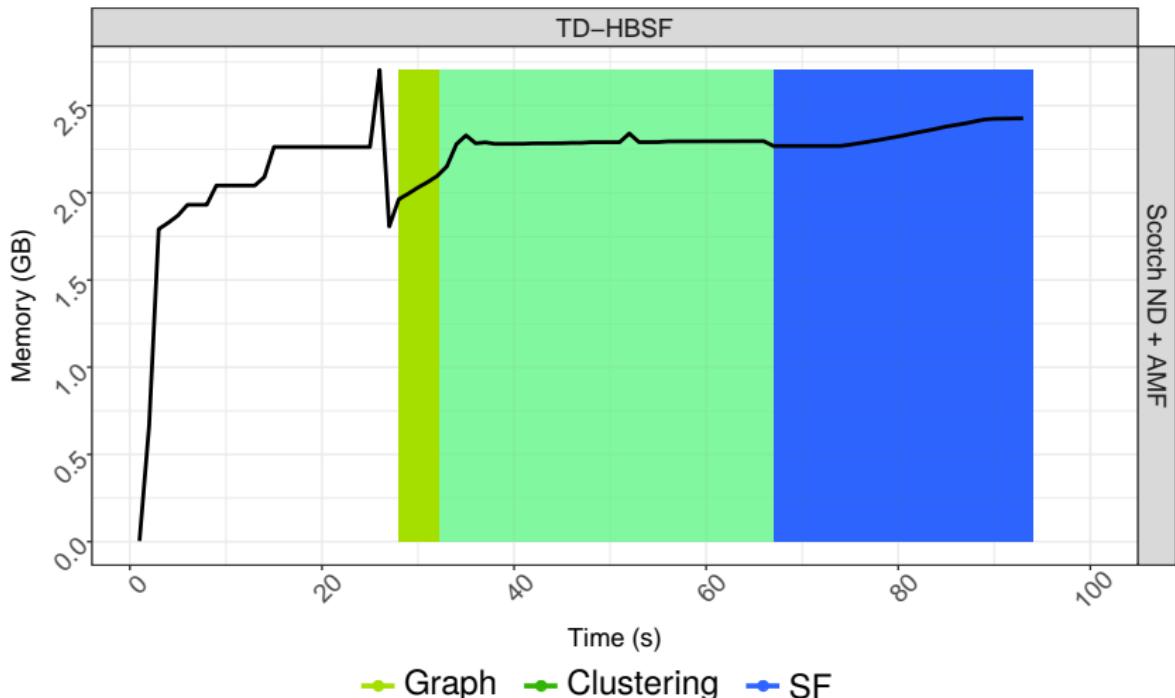
# Interactions-Aware Leaf Separator Division (IA-LSD)

Using Block Column Symbolic Factorization (BCSF) Information



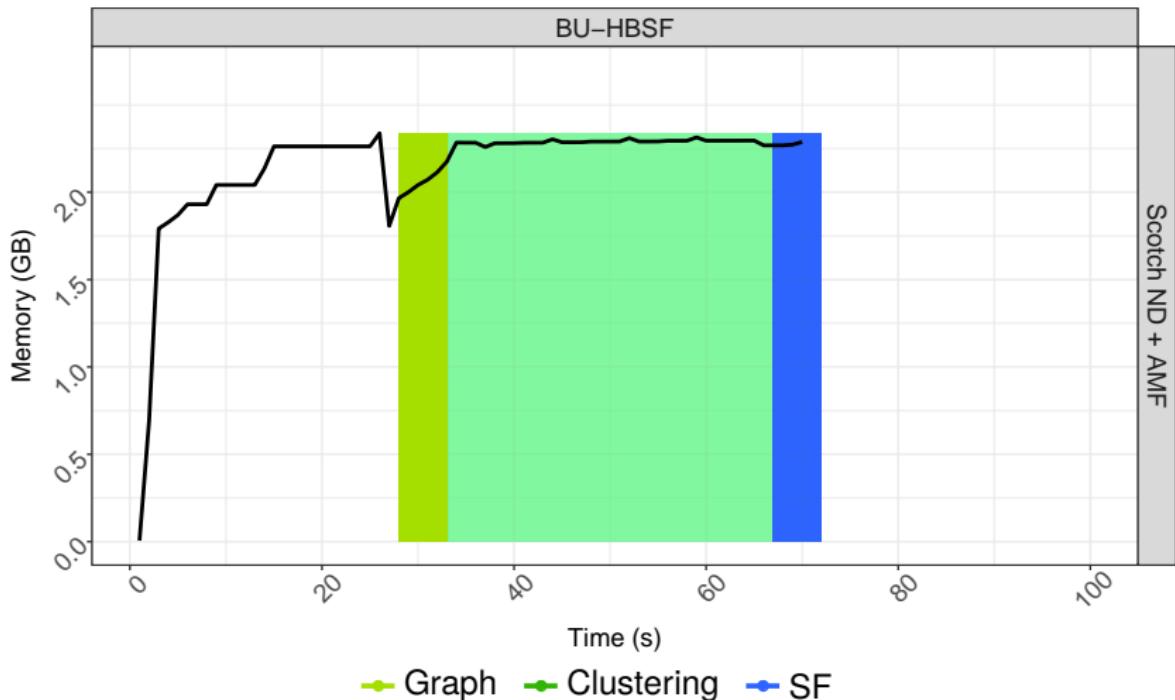
# TD-HBSF Memory Profile

$N = 1e^6$



# BU-HBSF Memory Profile

$N = 1e^6$



## Conclusions

- Performing a (bottom-up) hierarchical symbolic factorization is nearly costless
- Possible divisions of separators
  - Bisection
  - Interactions-Aware Flat Separator Division (IA-FSD)
  - Interactions-Aware Hierarchical Separator Division (IA-HSD)
  - Interactions-Aware Leaf Separator Division (IA-LSD)

## Perspectives & Work in Progress

- Extensive comparison between separator division methods
- Study the impact of each algorithm on numerical factorization
- Parallel implementation
- Extensive comparison with reference sparse solvers

Thank you for your attention!

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