

Computational Complexity

Lecture 3
in which we come across
Diagonalization and Time-hierarchies

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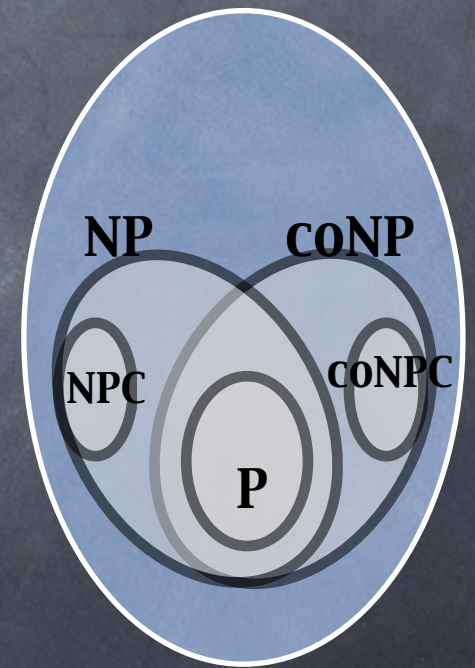
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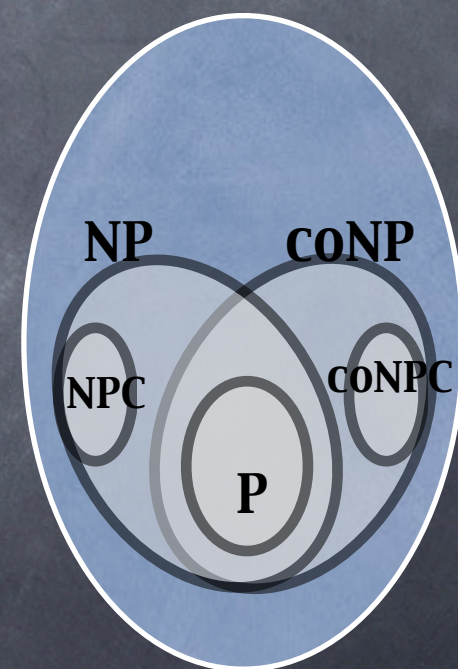
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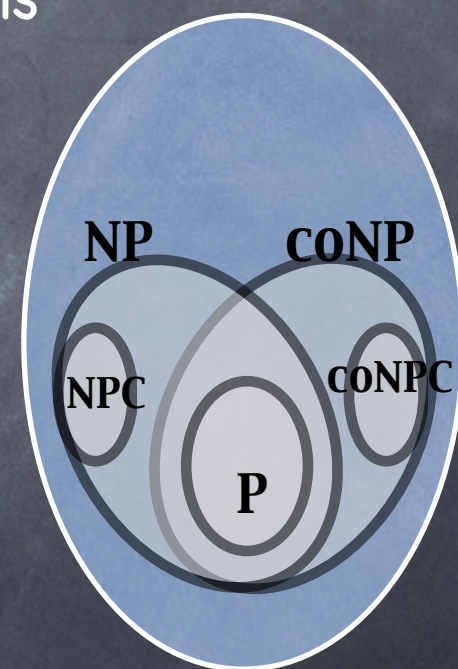
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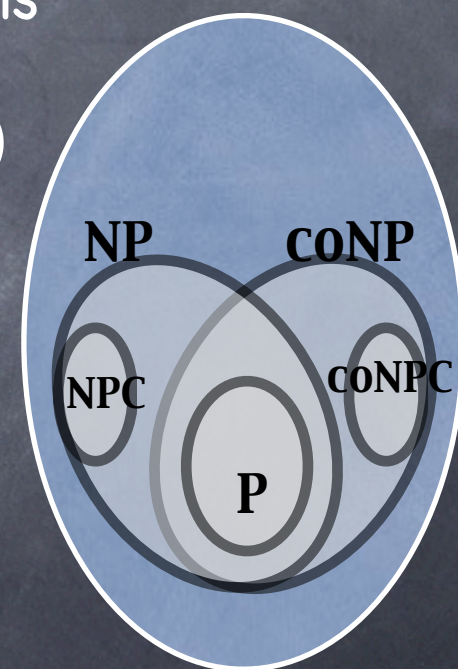
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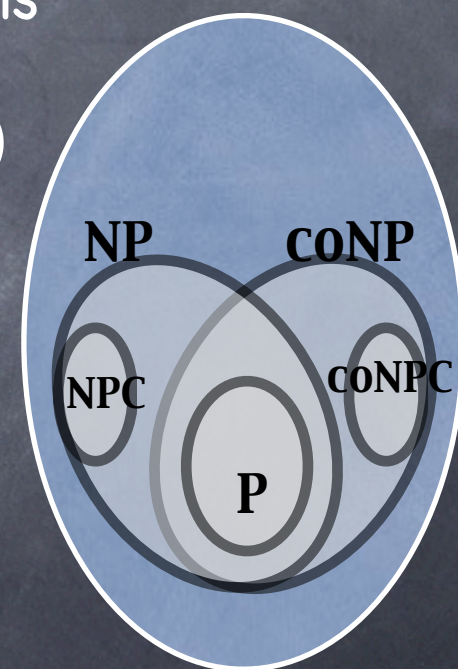
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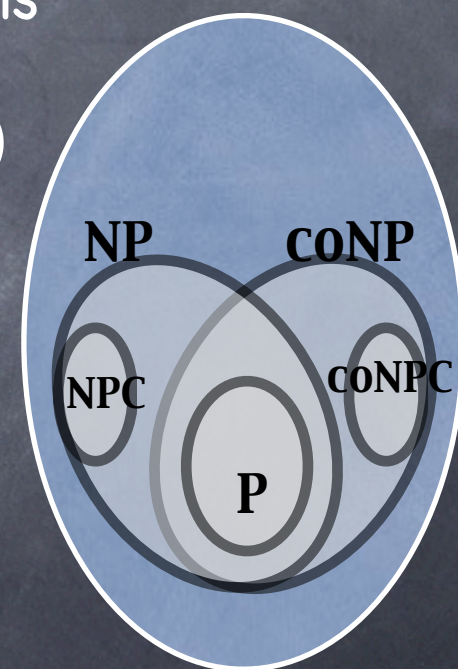
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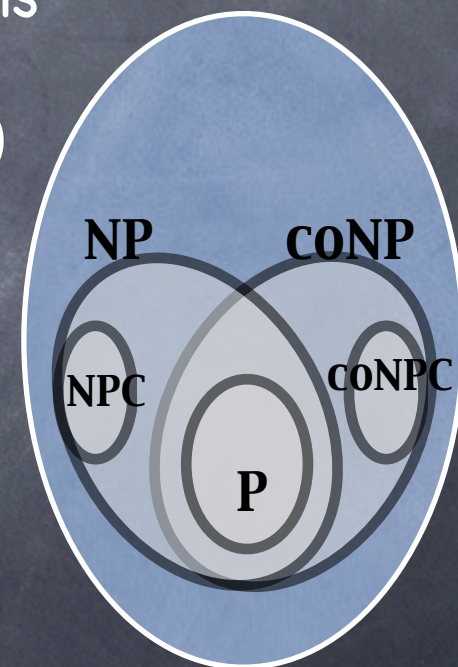
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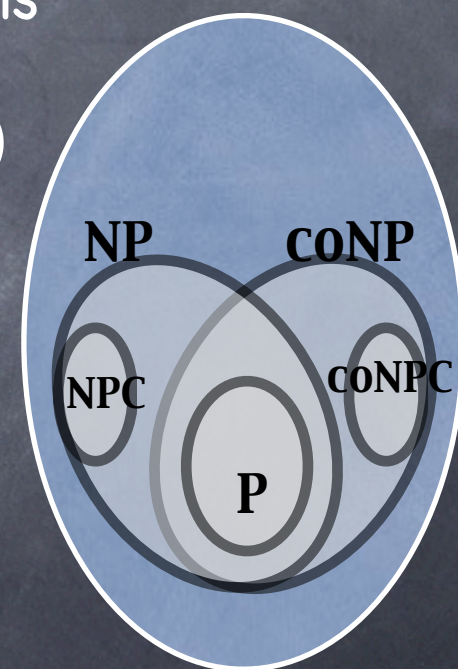
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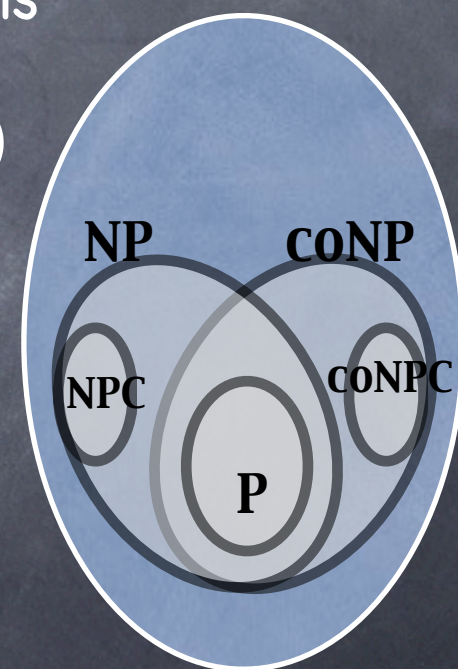
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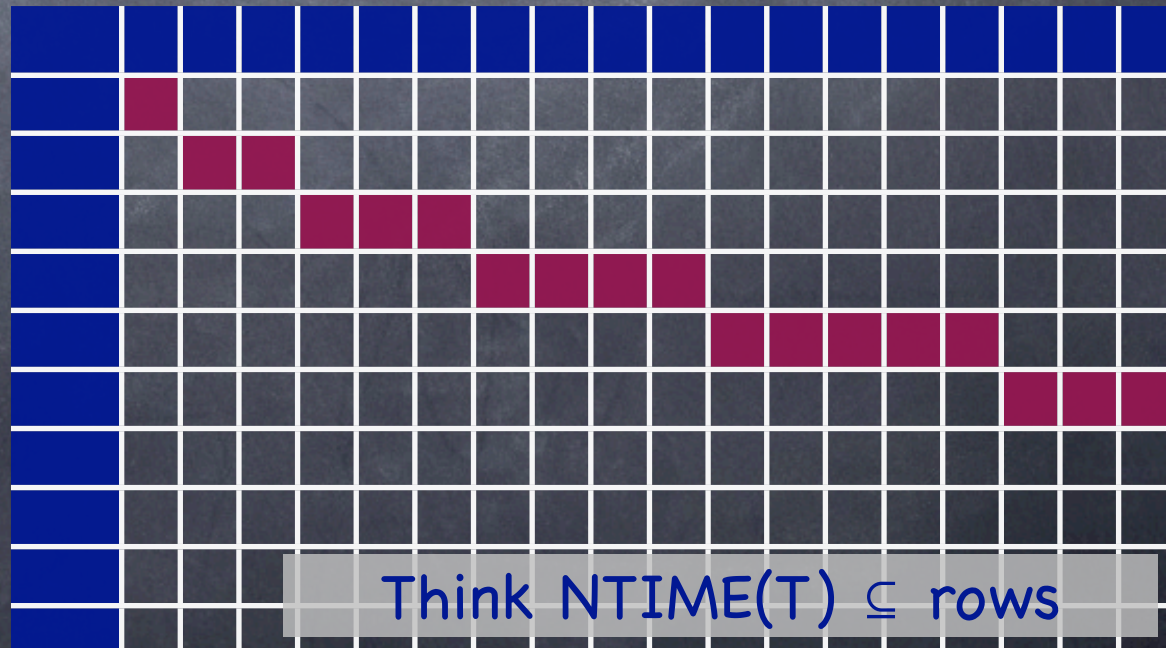
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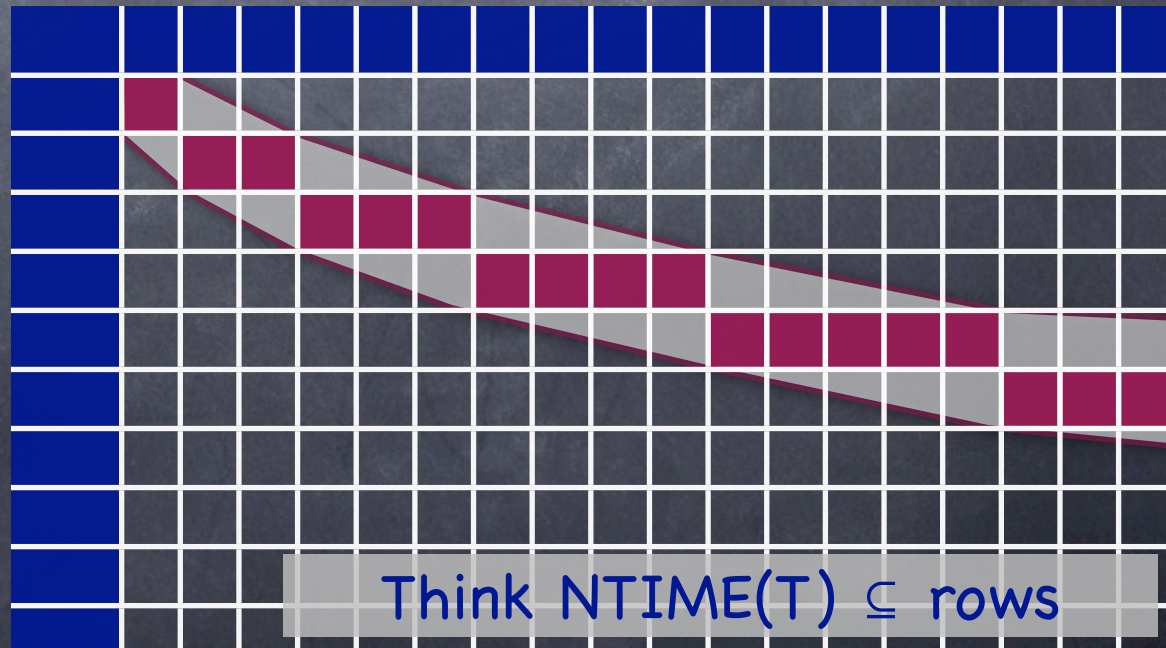
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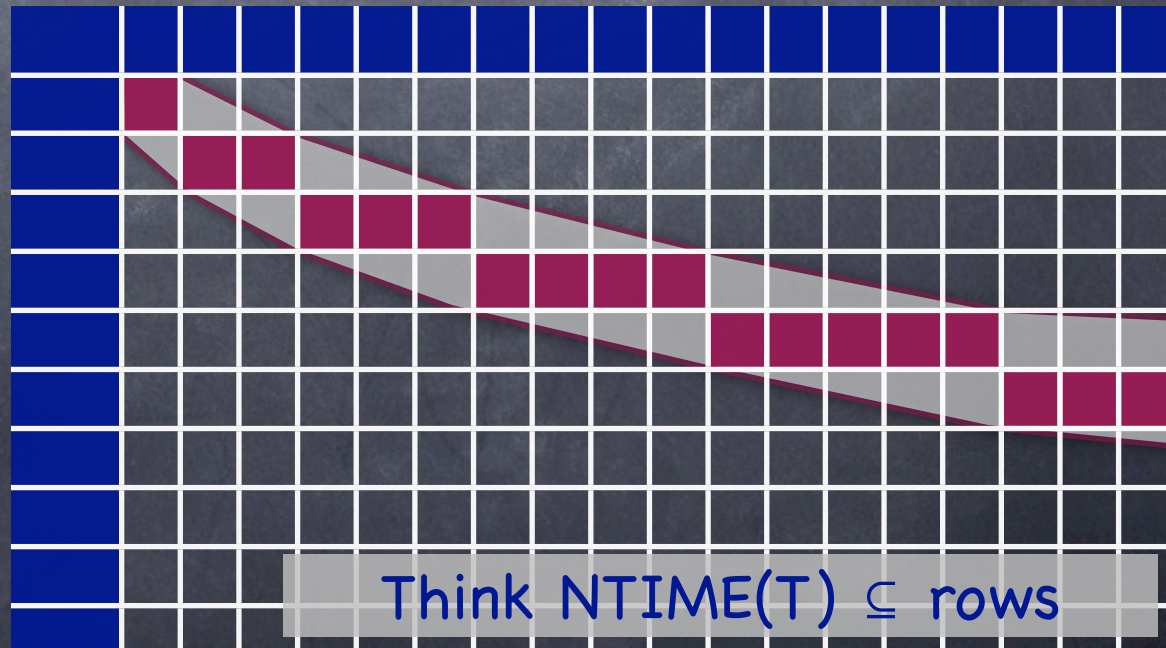
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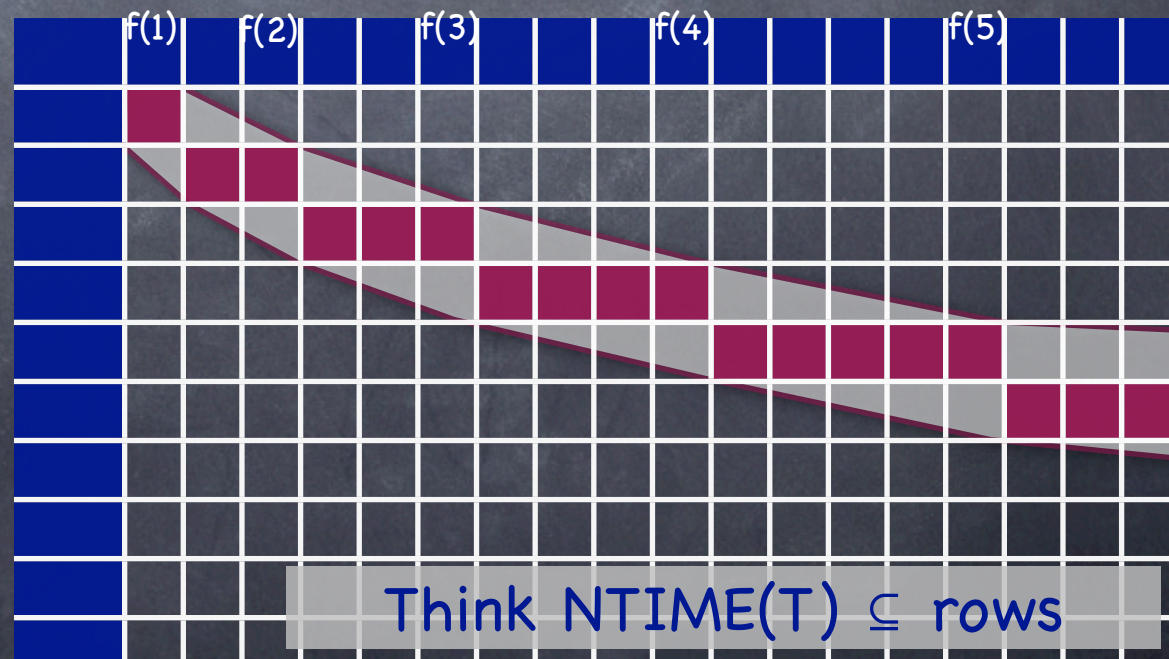
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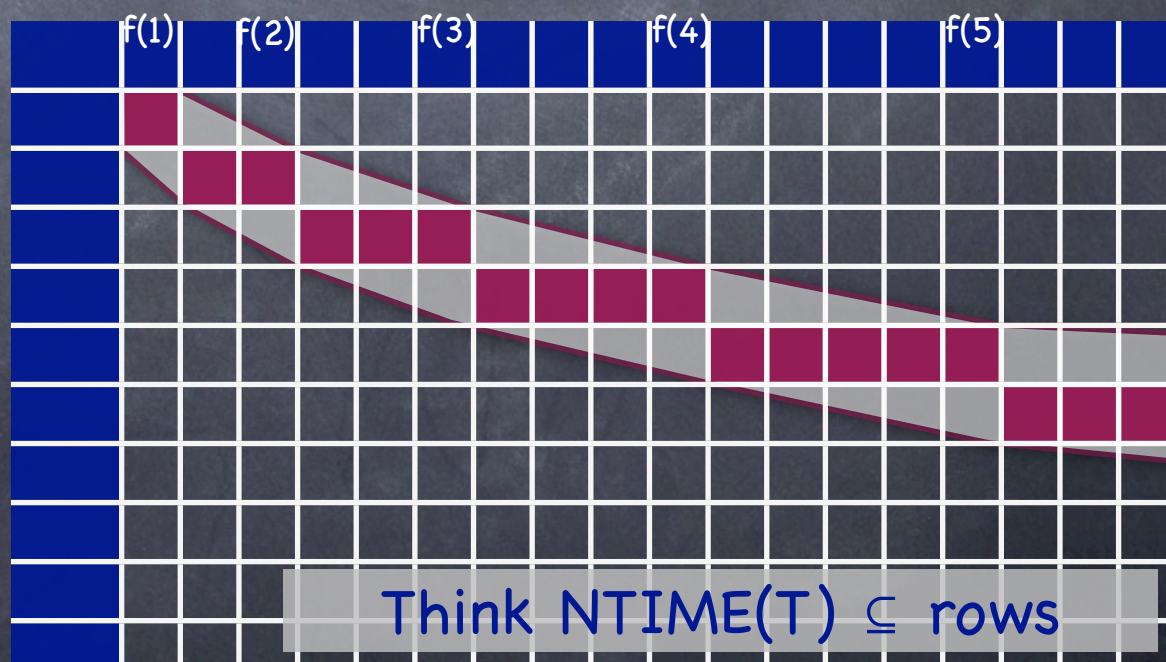
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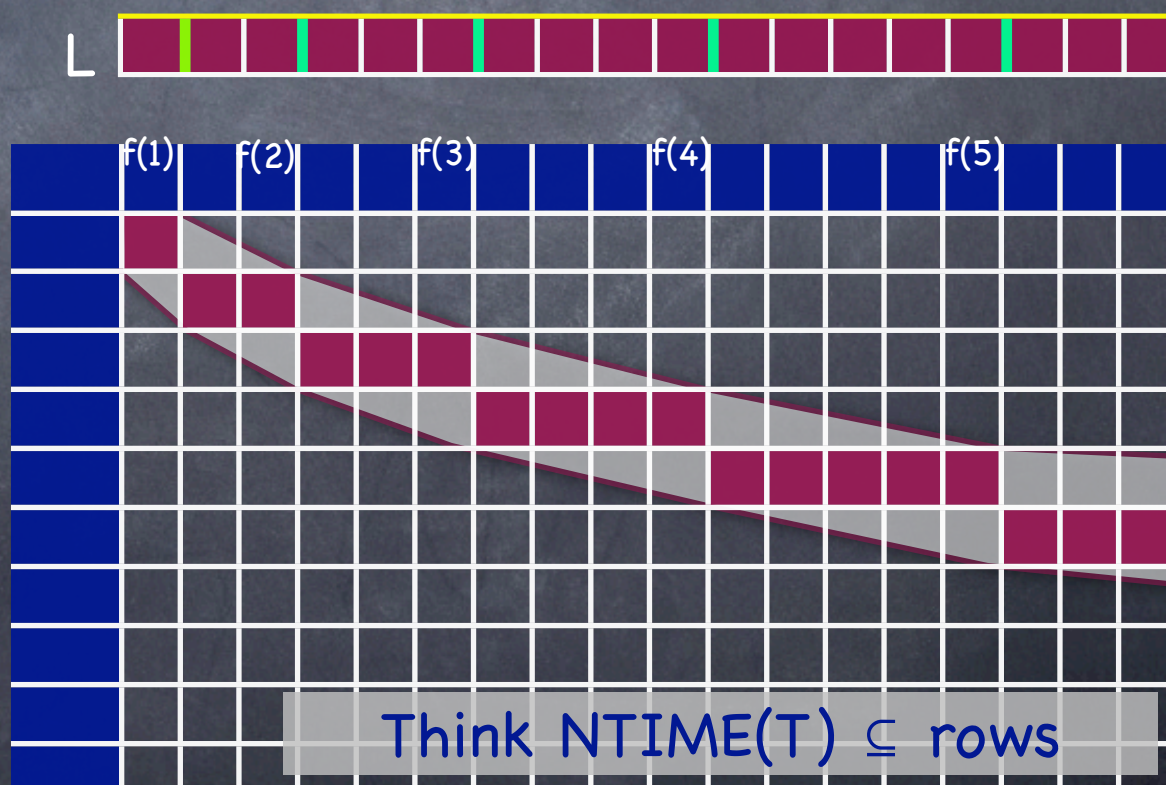
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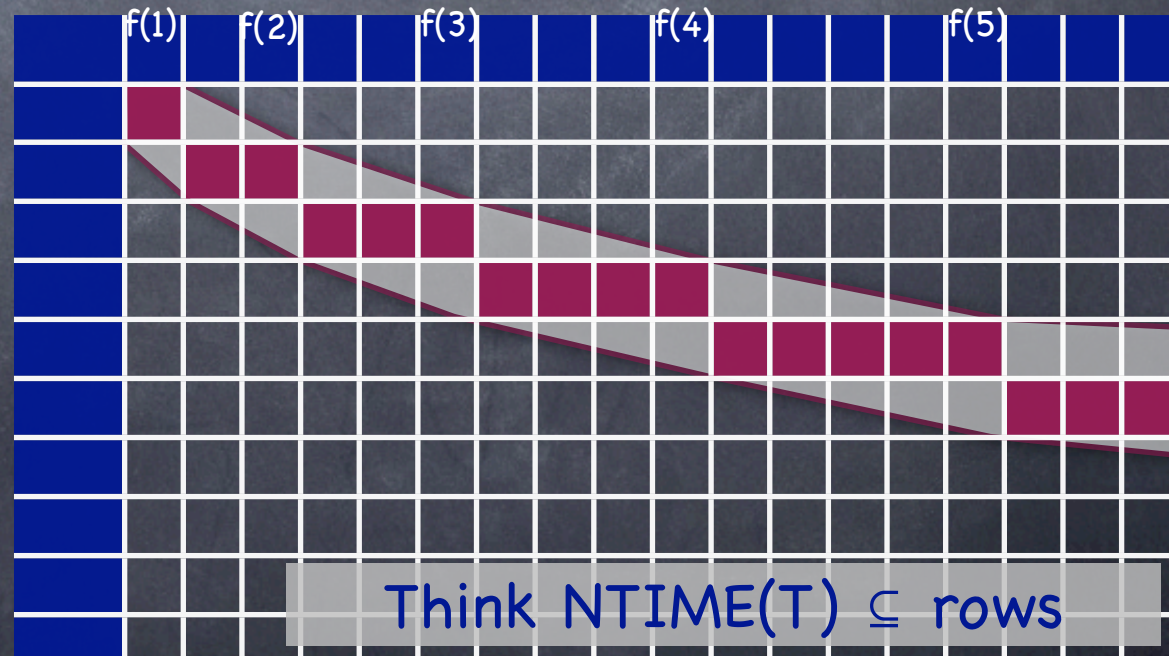
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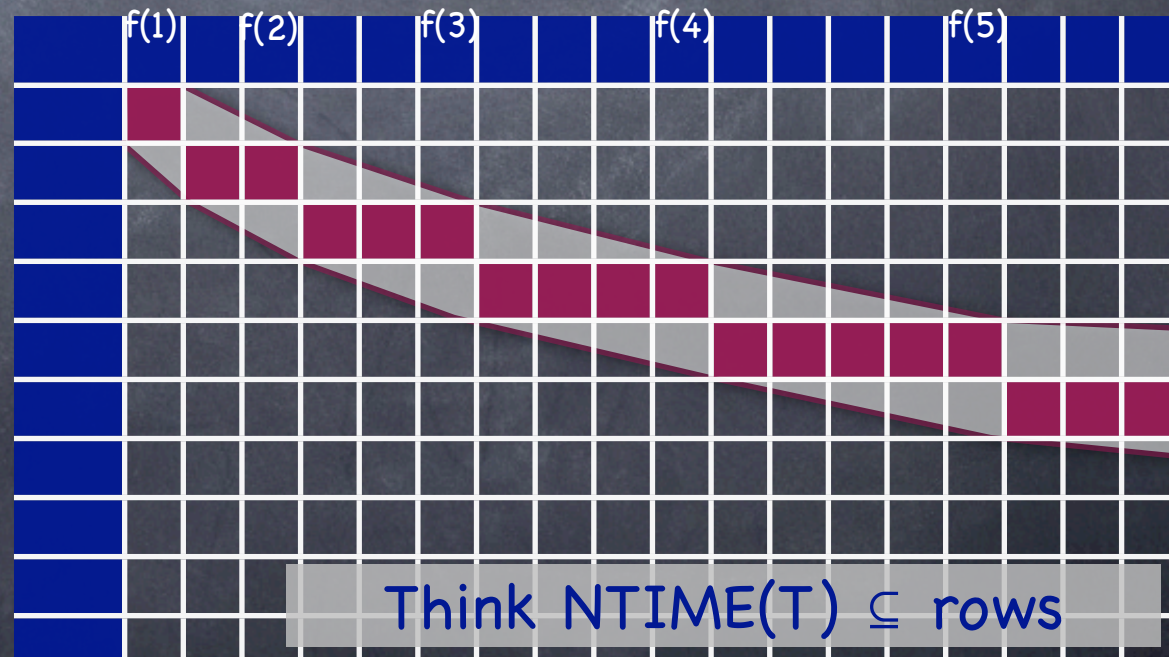
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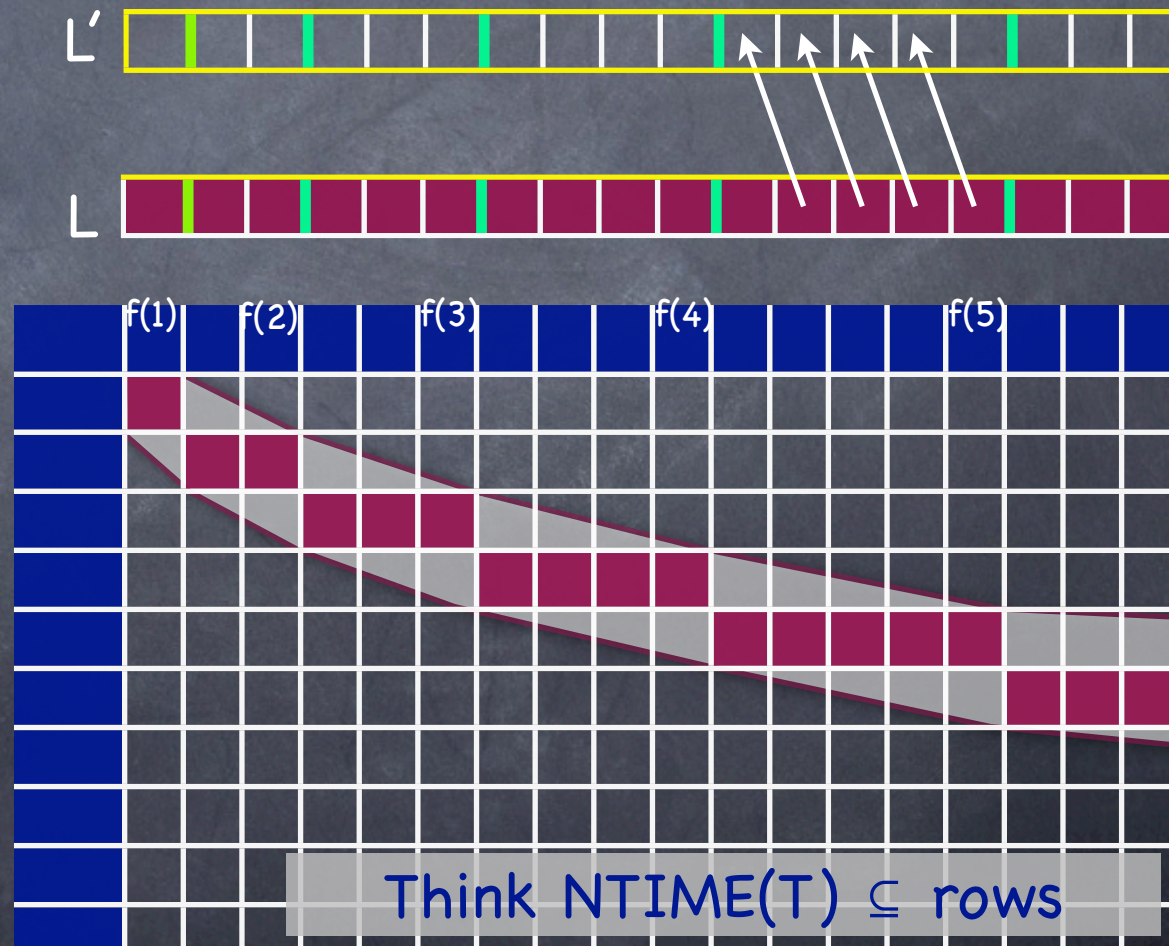
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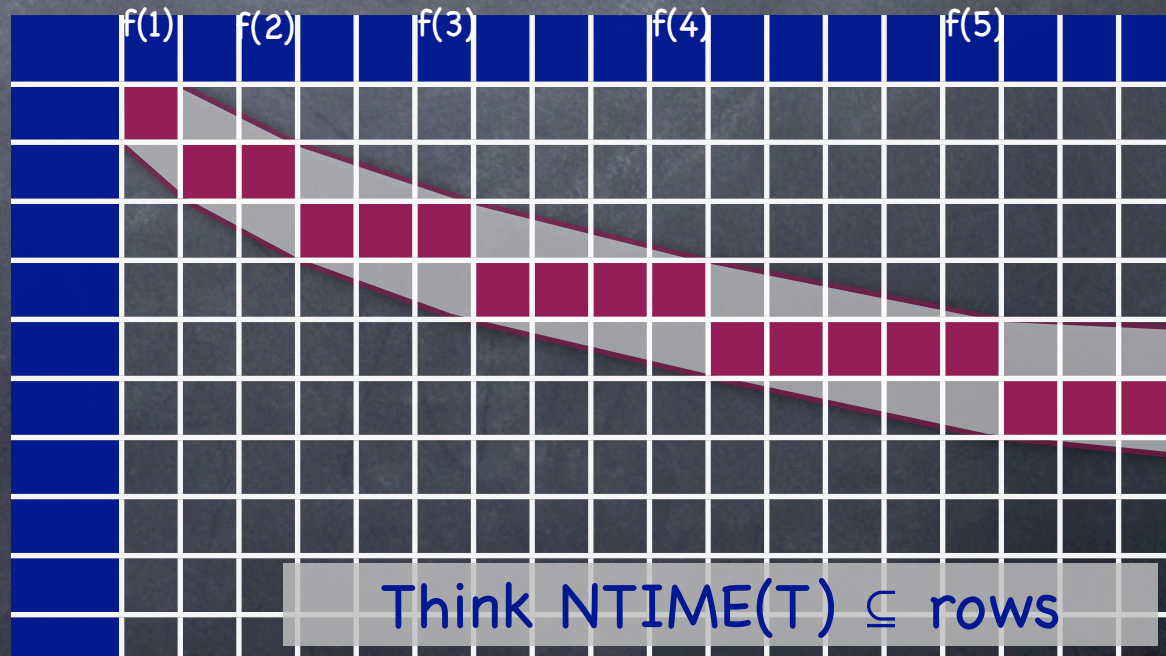
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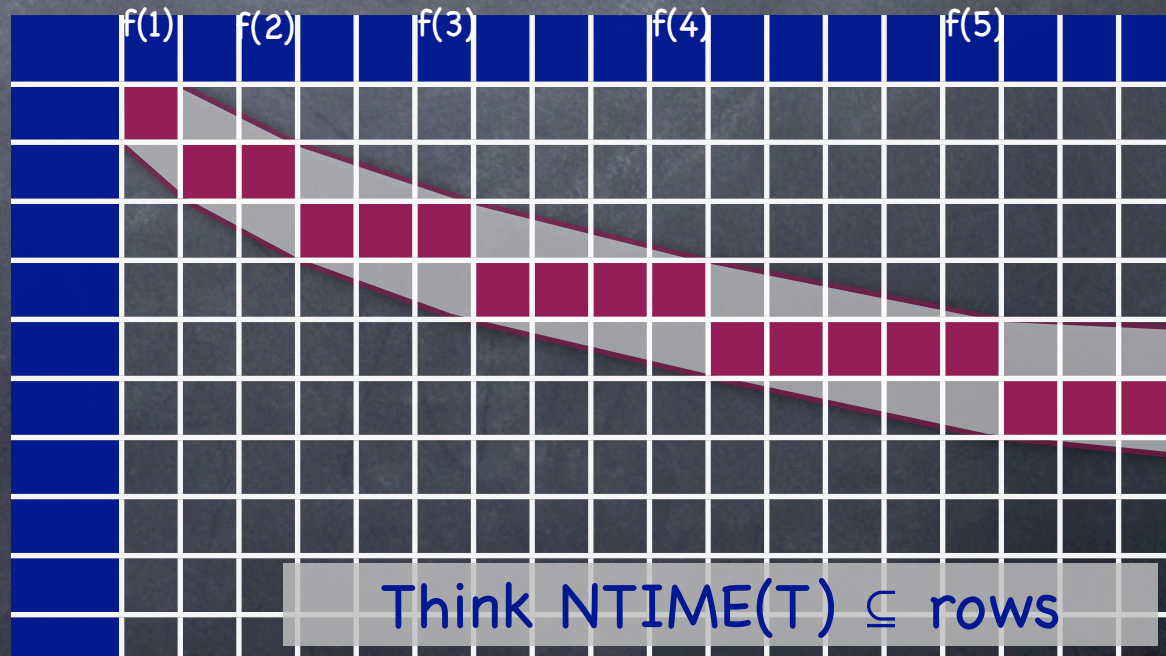
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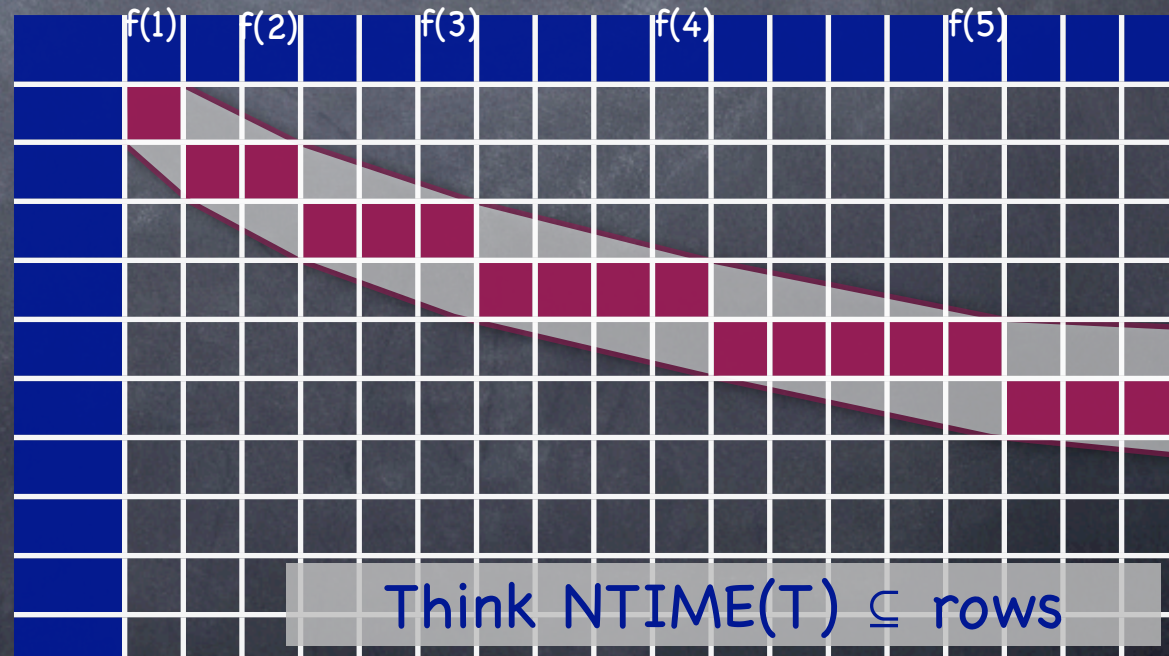
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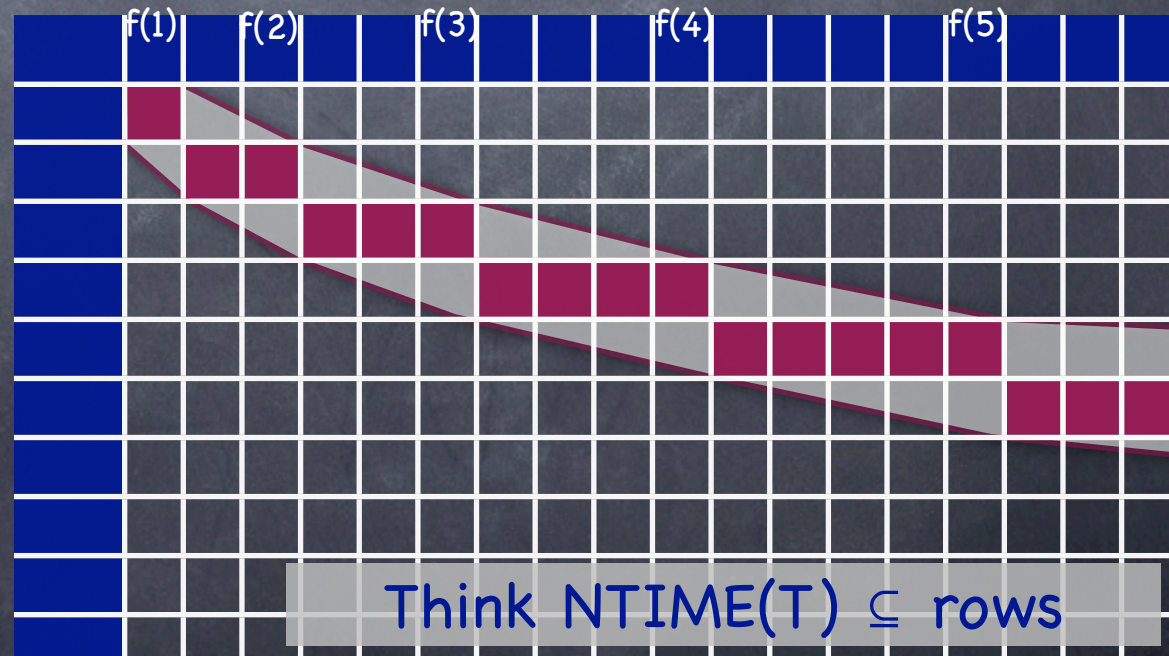
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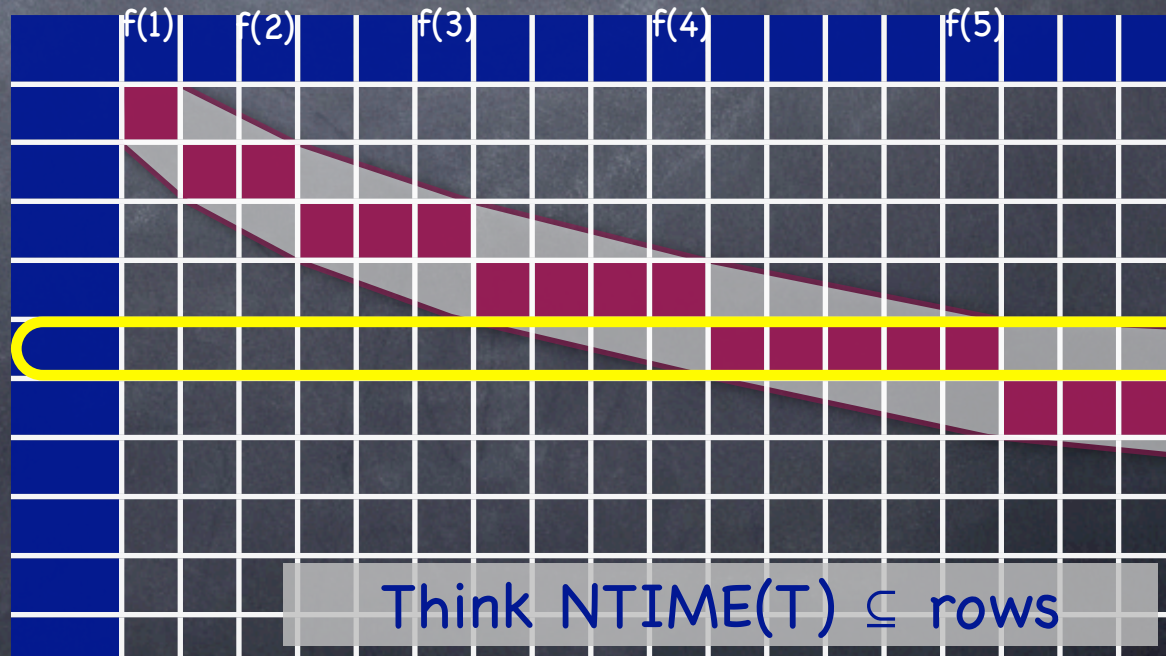
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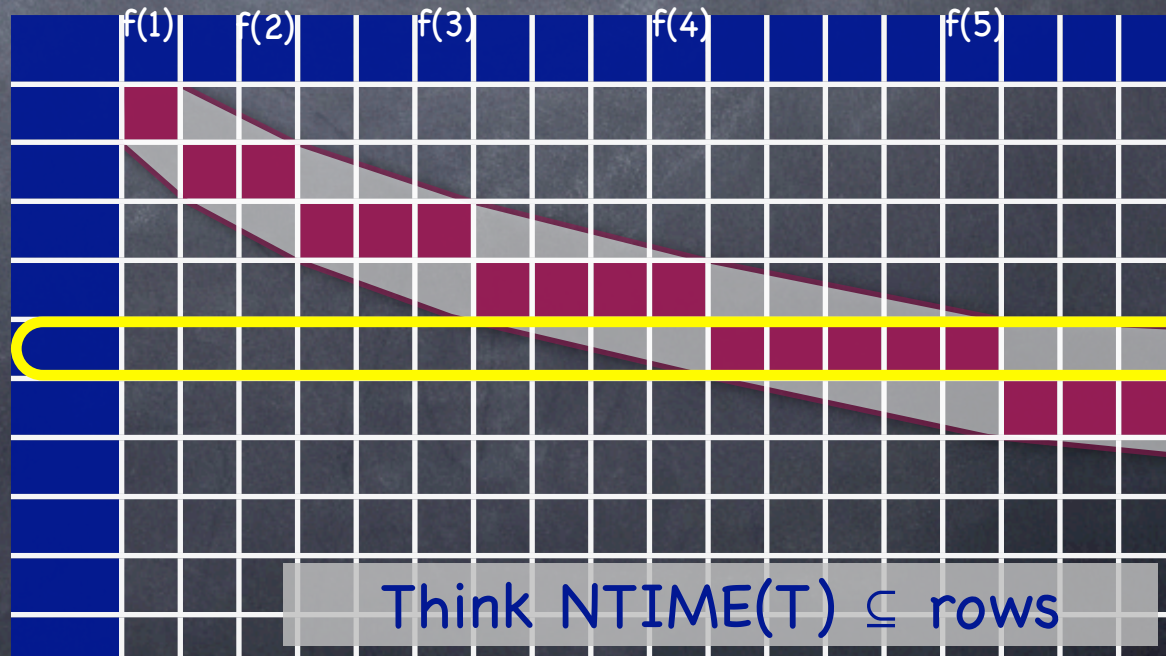
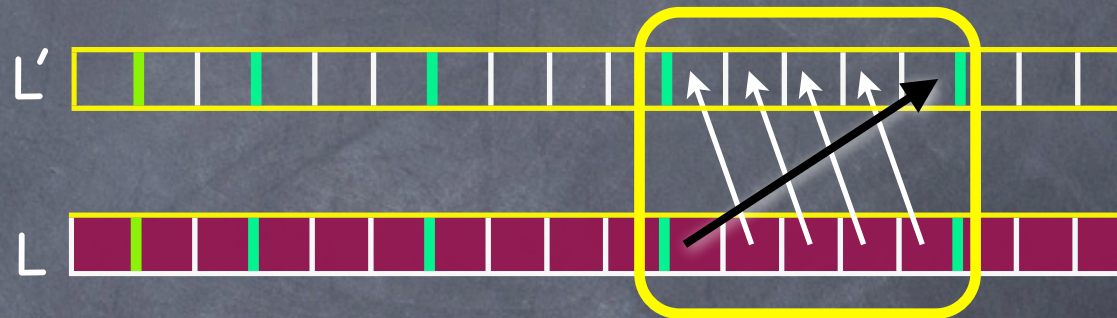
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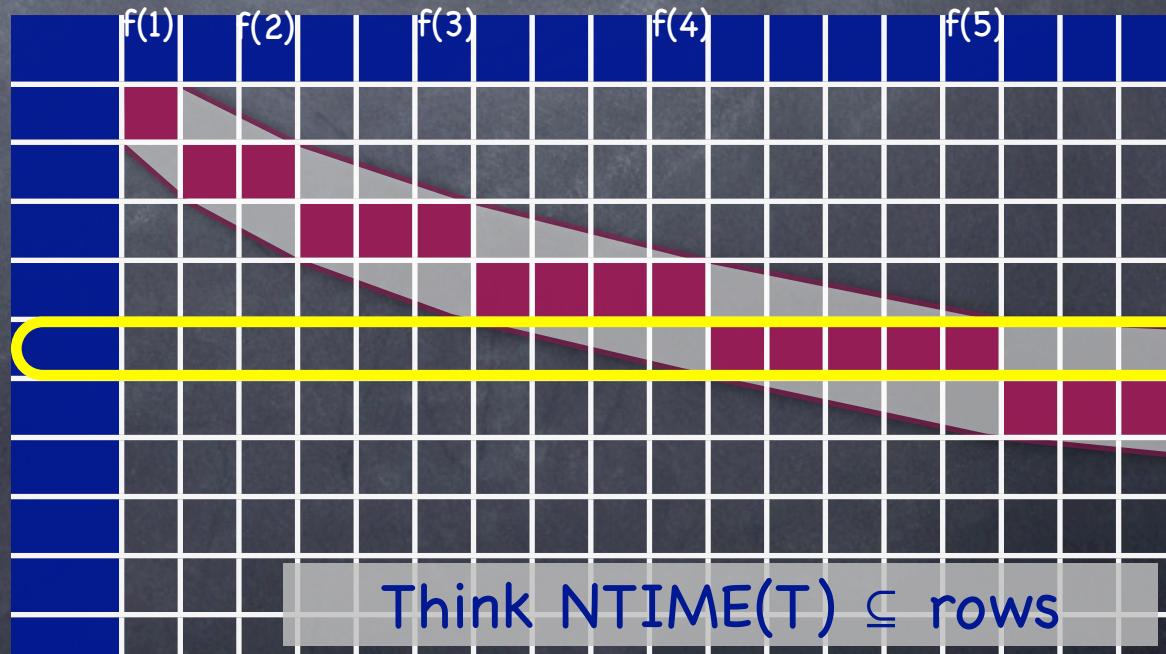
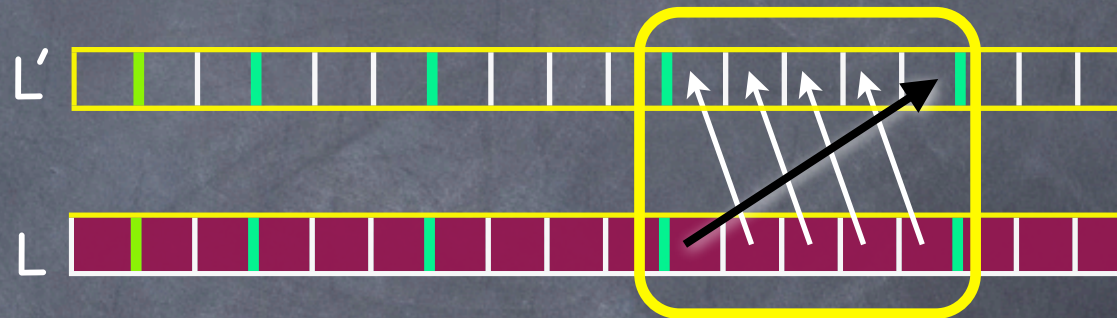
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