

# **A Real-Time Multicast Routing Scheme for Multi-Hop Switched Fieldbuses**

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Background



Problem Definition and Complexity



Heuristic Algorithm



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Related Work



# Fieldbus is fundamentally different from the Internet, hence requires different solutions.

Specialized networks used in industrial, mining, medical, vehicular, avionic environments

## **Fieldbus:**

Hard Real-Time

Periodic Stable Traffic

Bounded w/ Global Info

## **The Internet:**

Best Effort

Random Bursty Traffic

Unbounded w/o Global Info

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Concord  
1976





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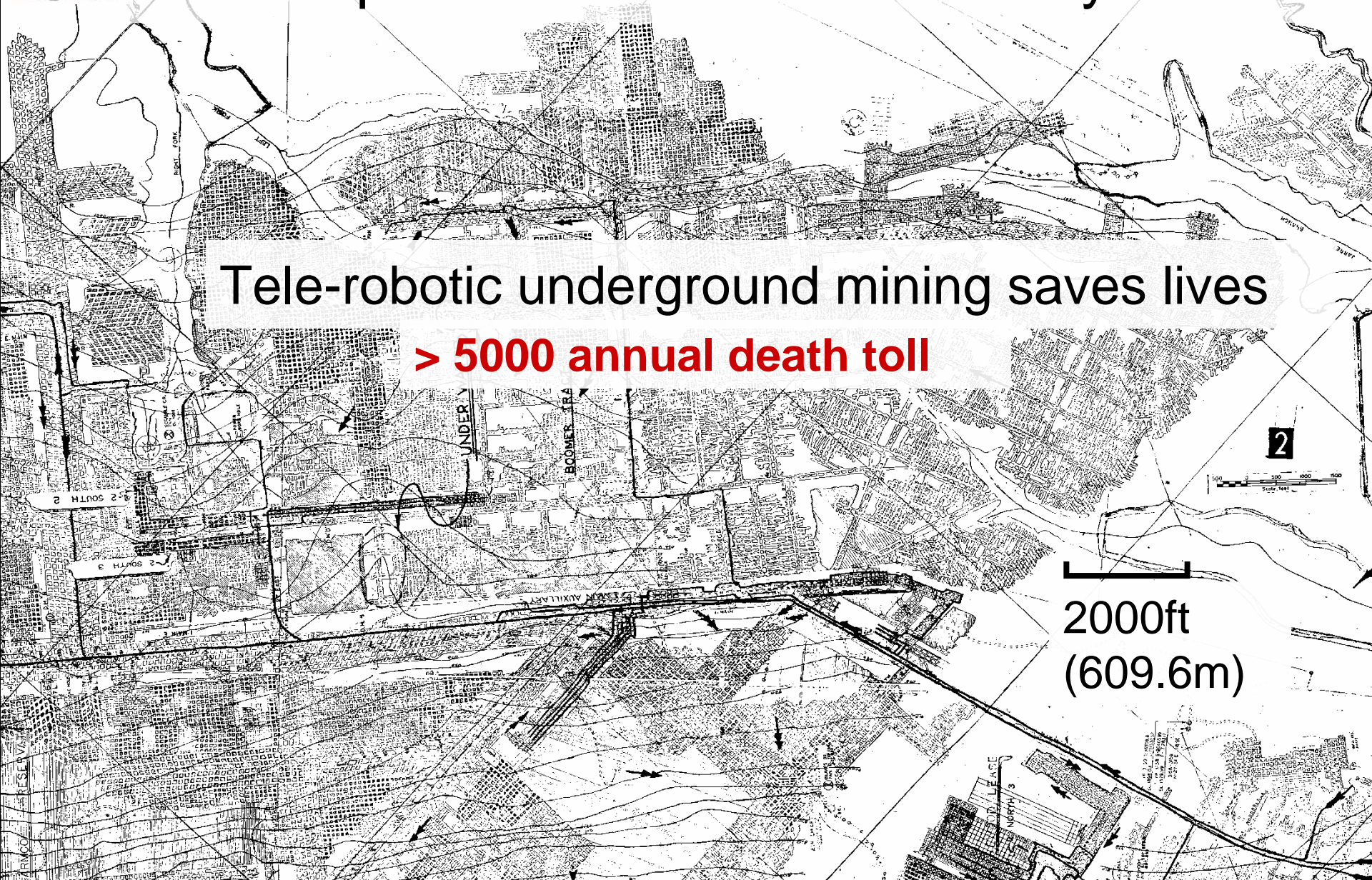
2007,

Several  
Hundreds  
of  
computing  
nodes



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Tele-robotic underground mining saves lives  
**> 5000 annual death toll**



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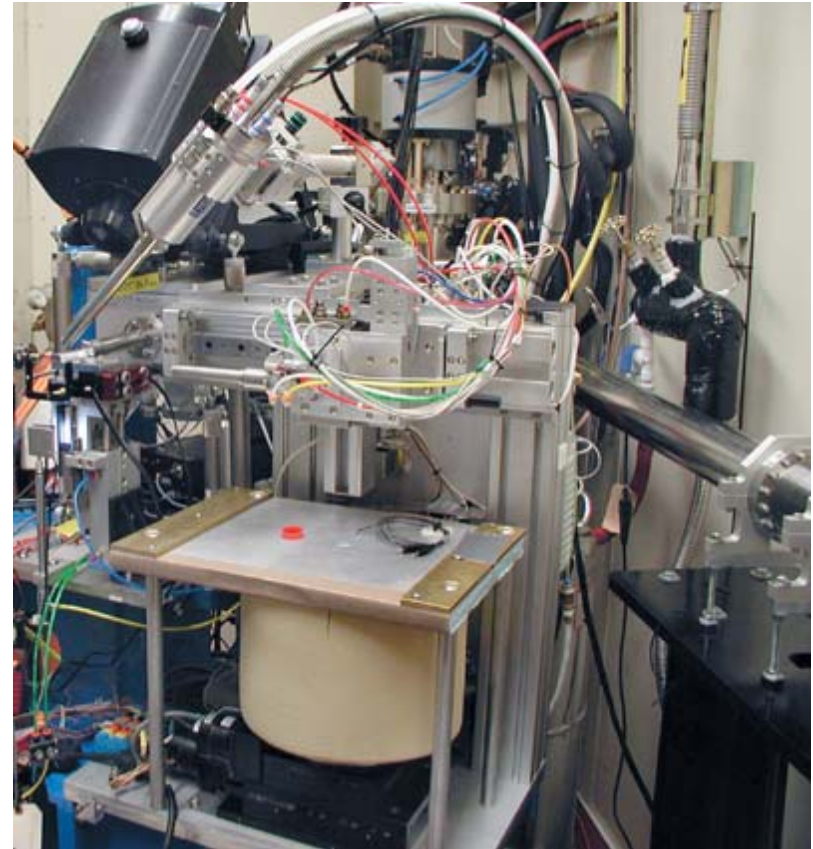



Telepresence



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## Robotic Manufacturing






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Modern control assumes MIMO  $\rightarrow$   
Real-Time Multicast btw  
Sensors-Controllers-Actuators/Observers



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Shared Medium Real-Time Multicast: Easy  
Multi-Hop Switched Real-Time Multicast: ?

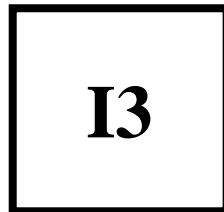
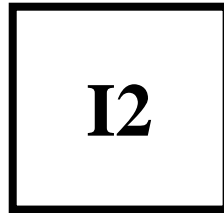
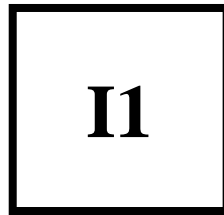


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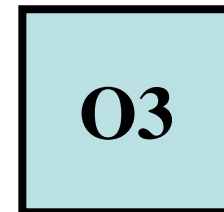
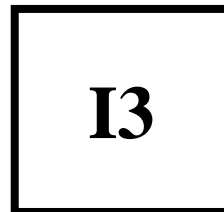
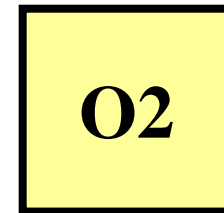
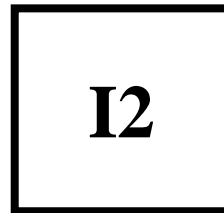
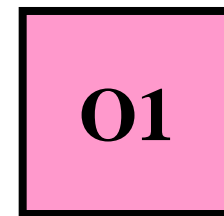
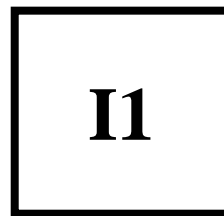
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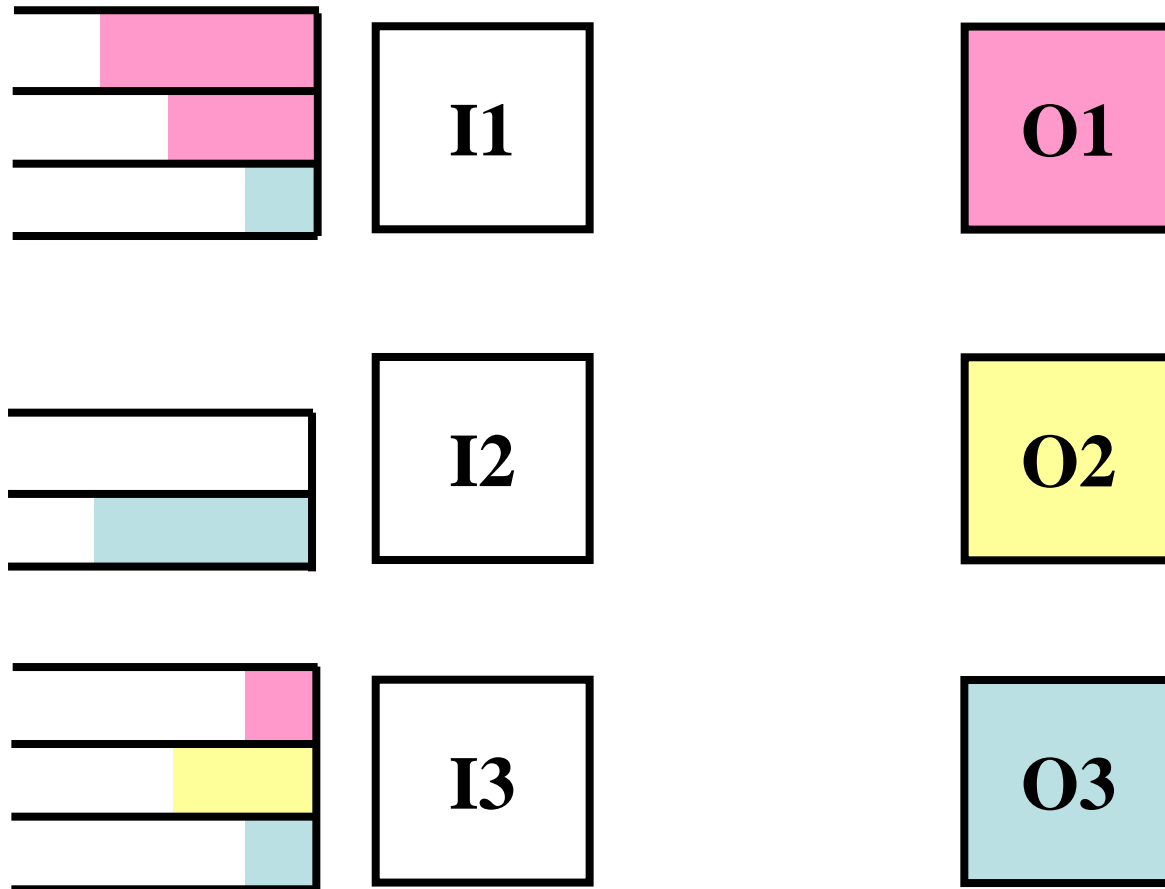
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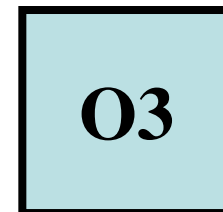
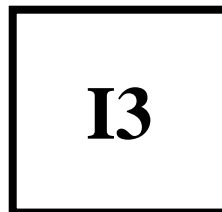
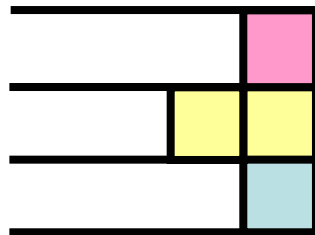
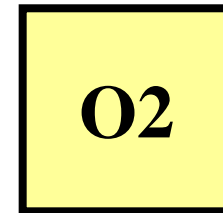
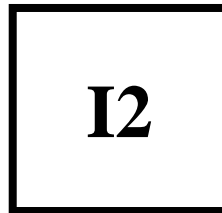
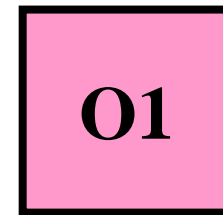
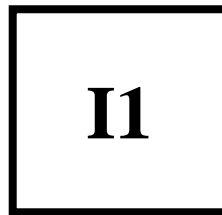
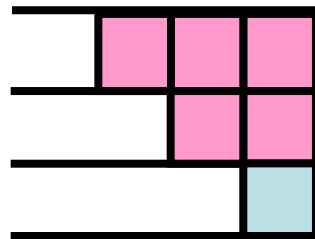
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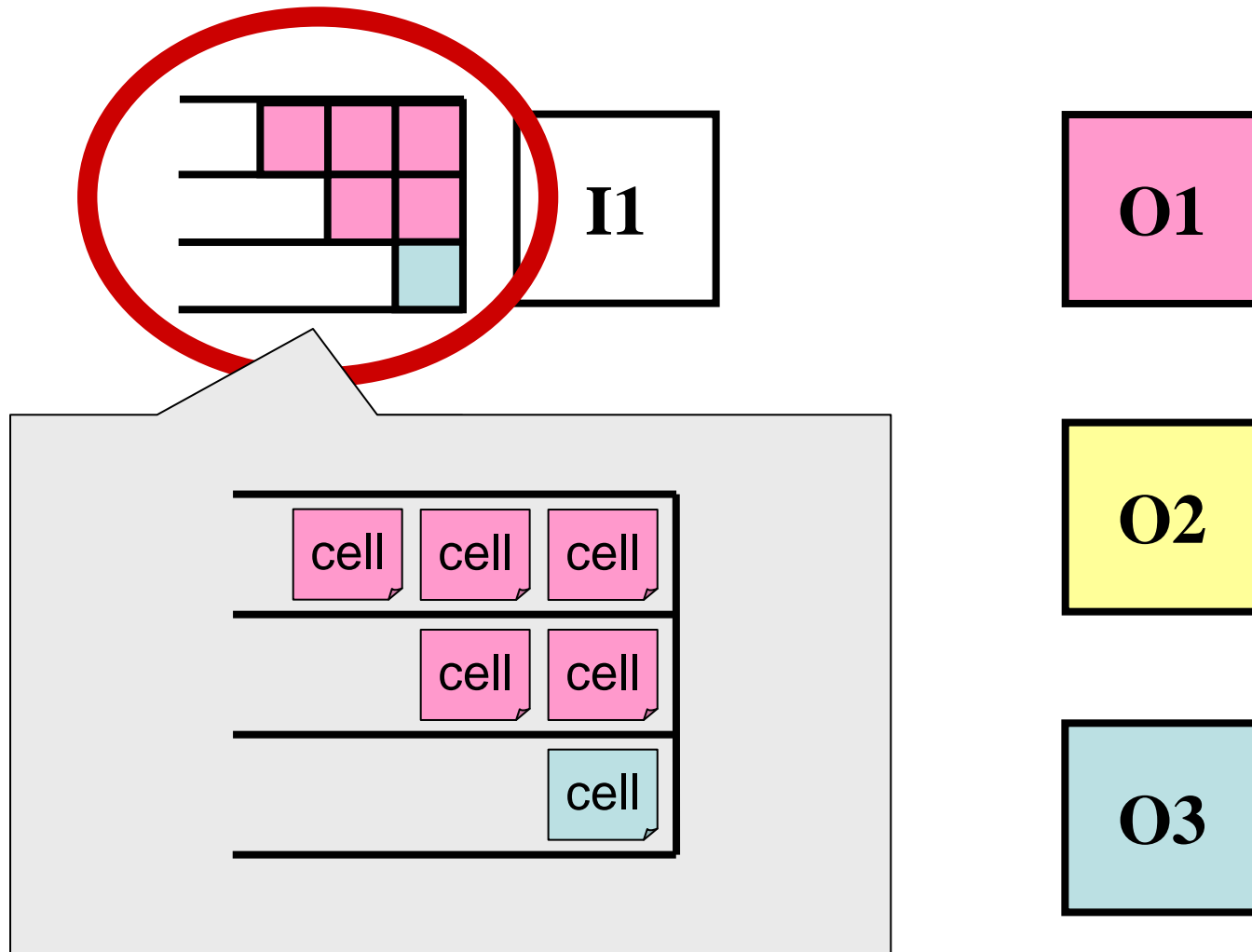
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cells





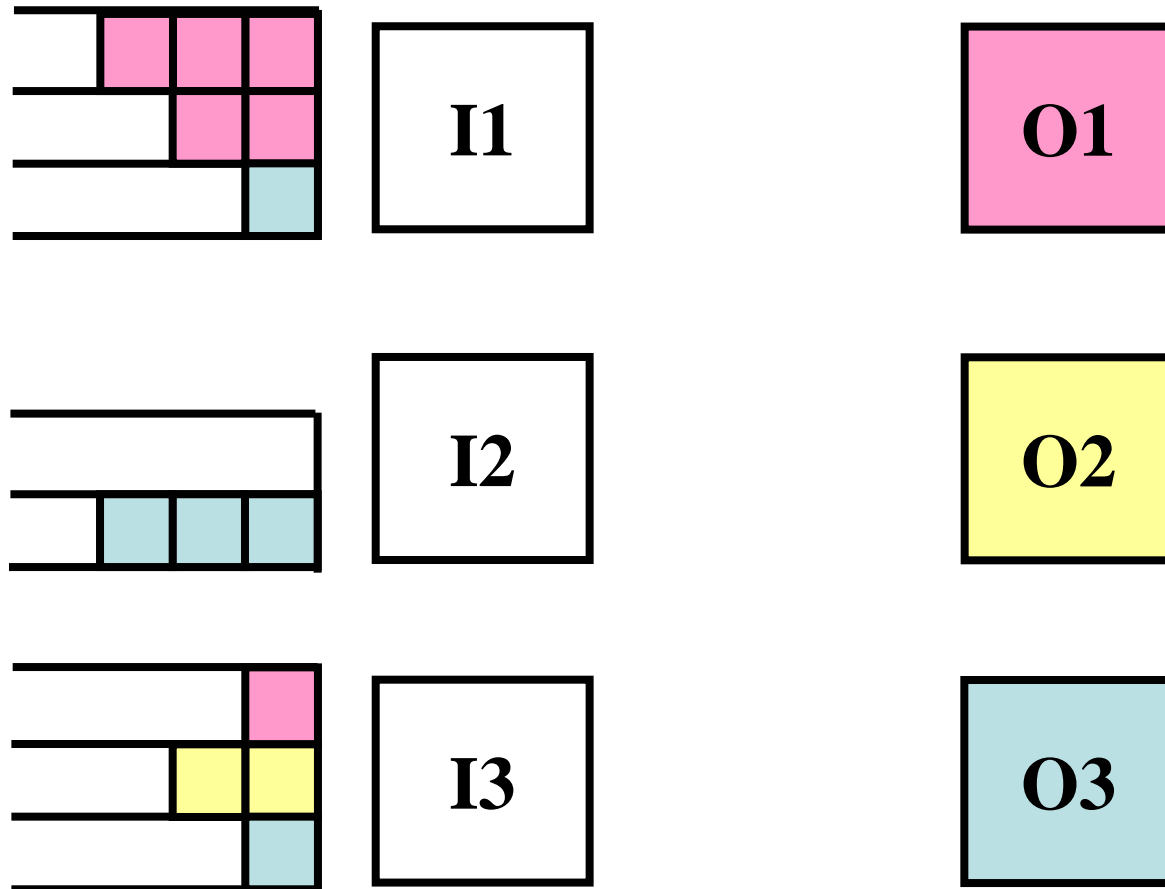
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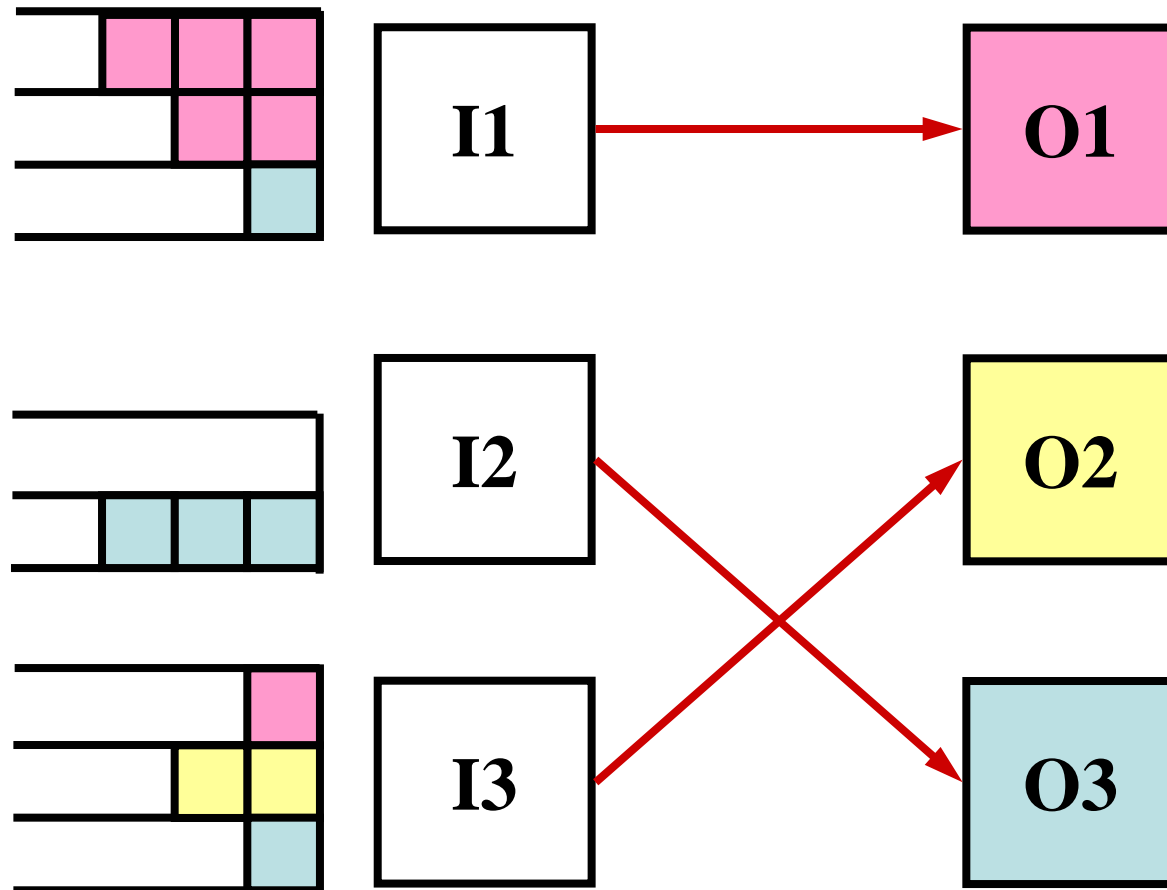
Synchronous periodic cell forwarding  
Cell-Time





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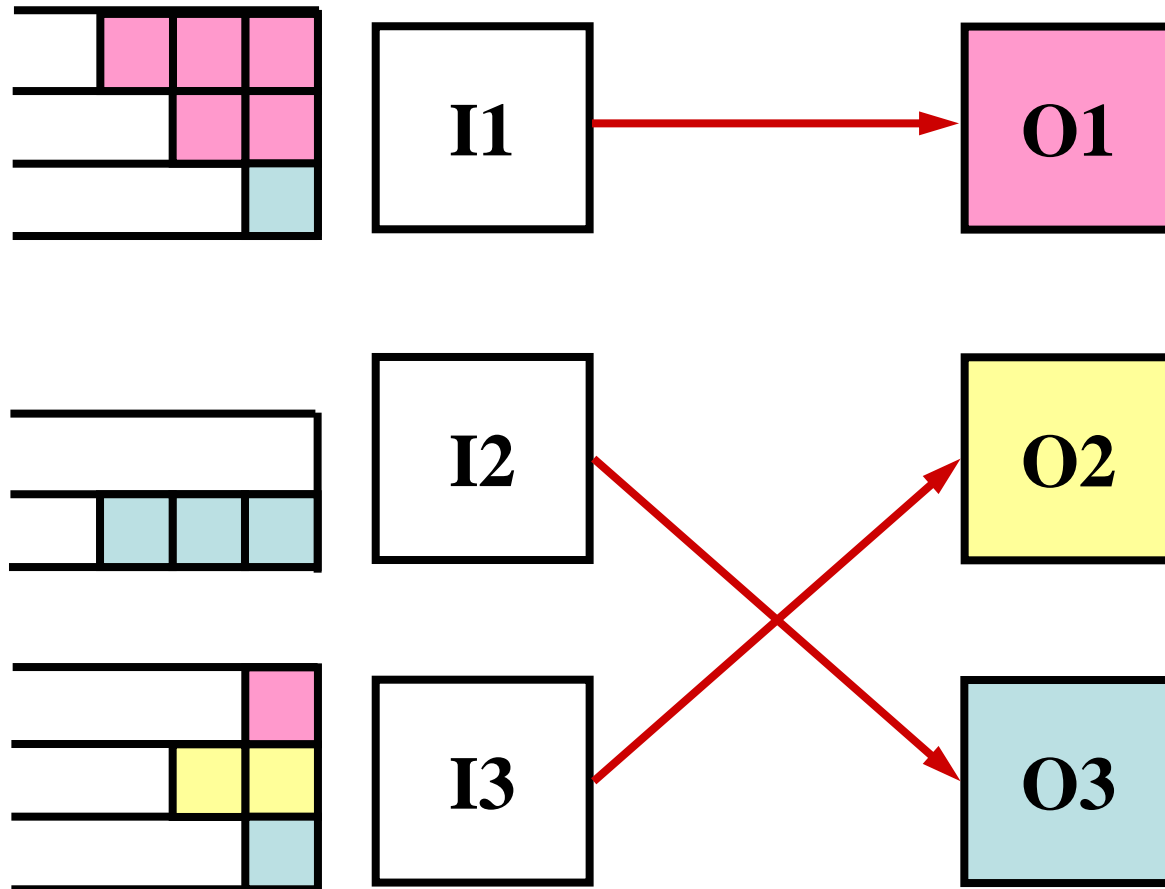
Matching





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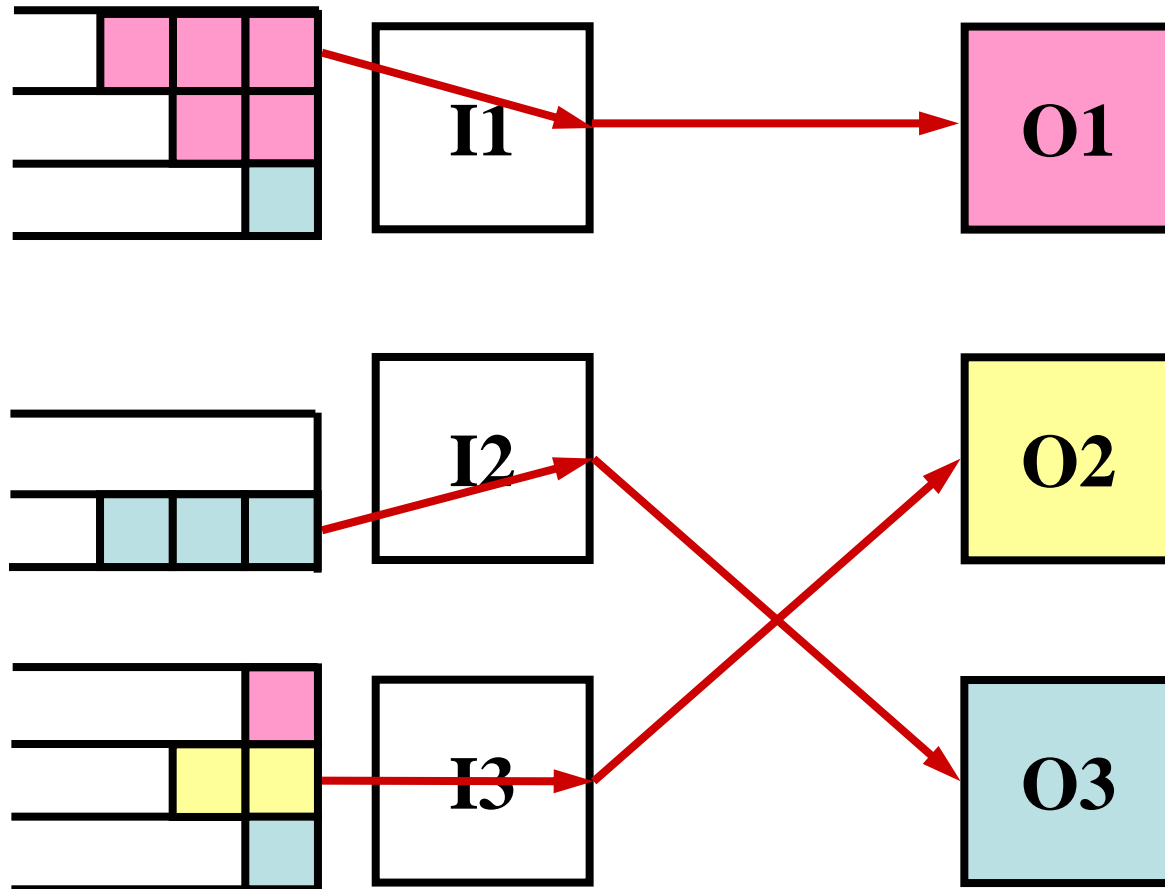
Why Matching? An input/output can only send/receive one cell per cell-time





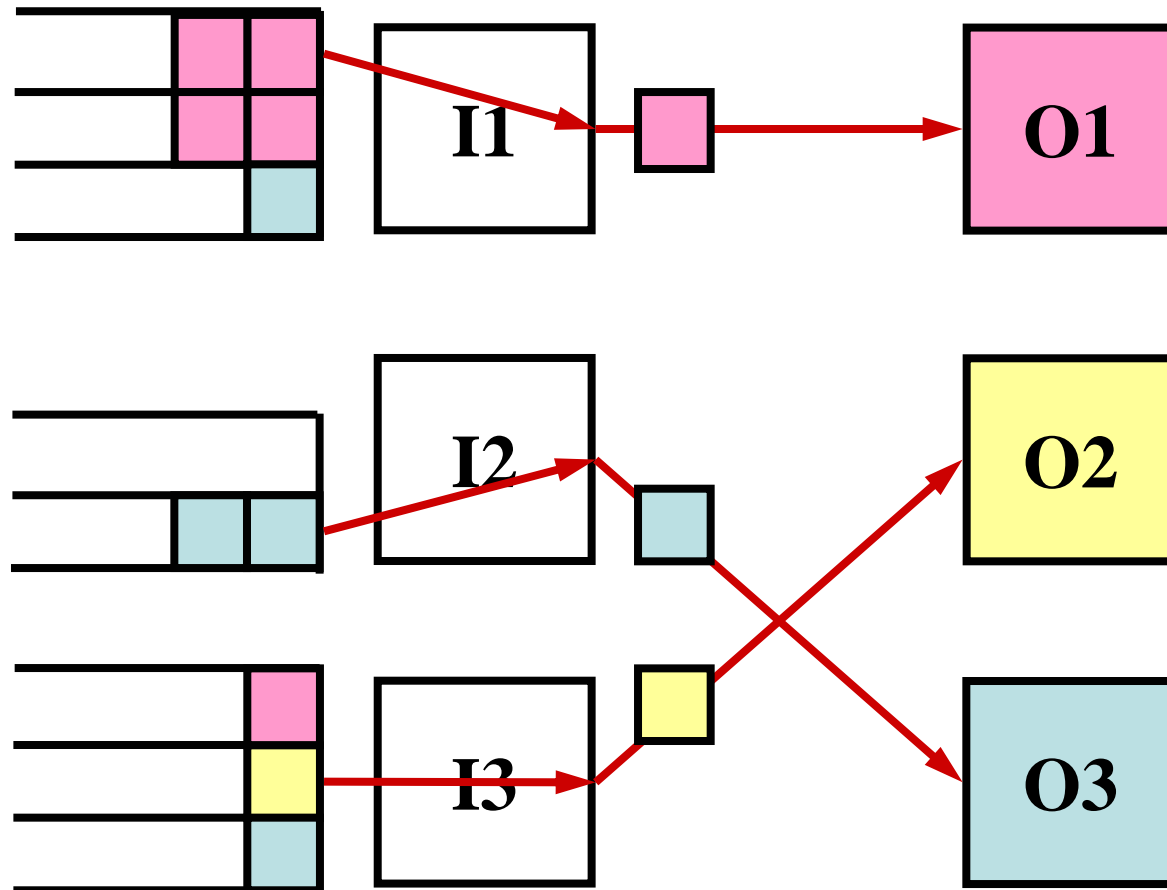
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Internal Matching: if an input has multiple per-flow-q for the same output, only one is picked every cell-time.



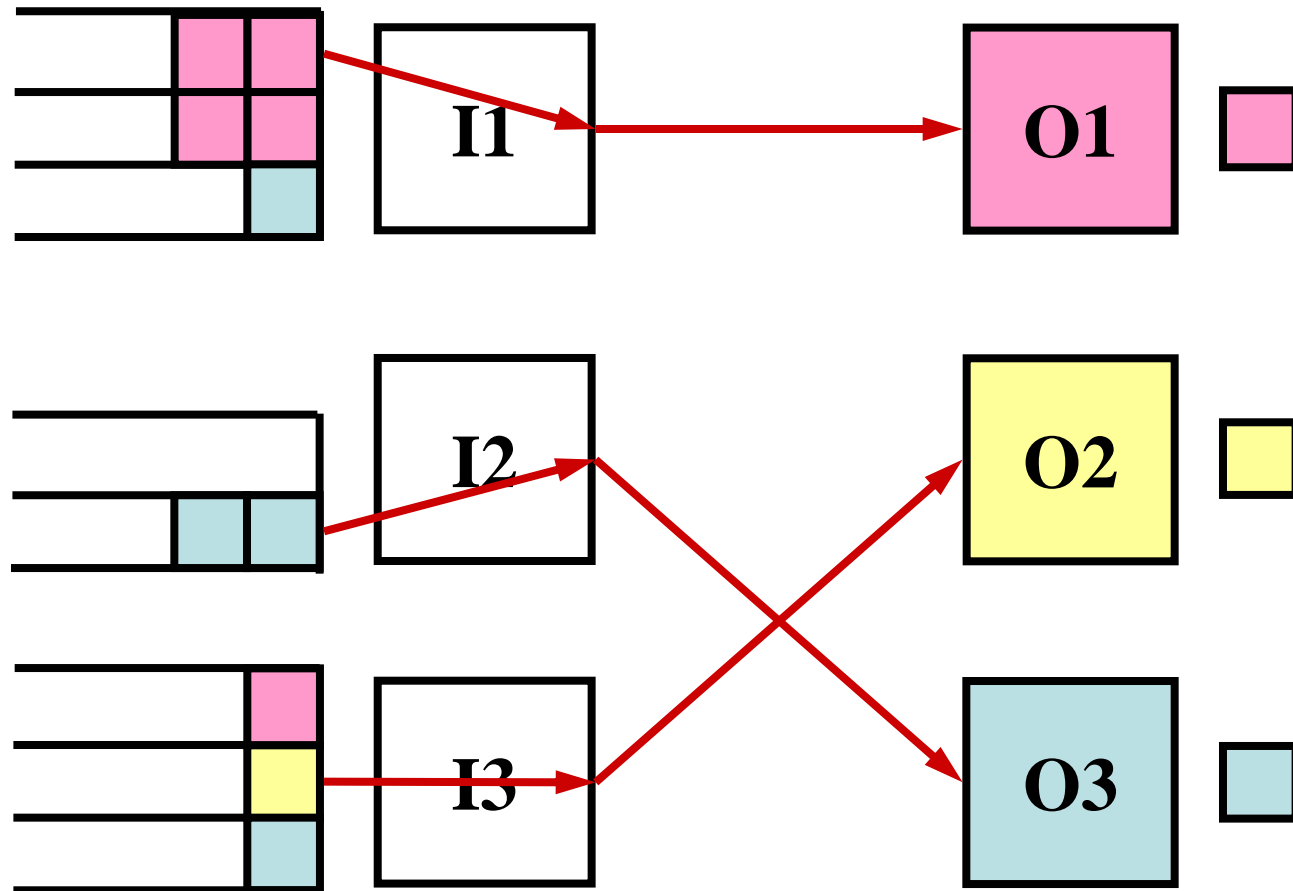


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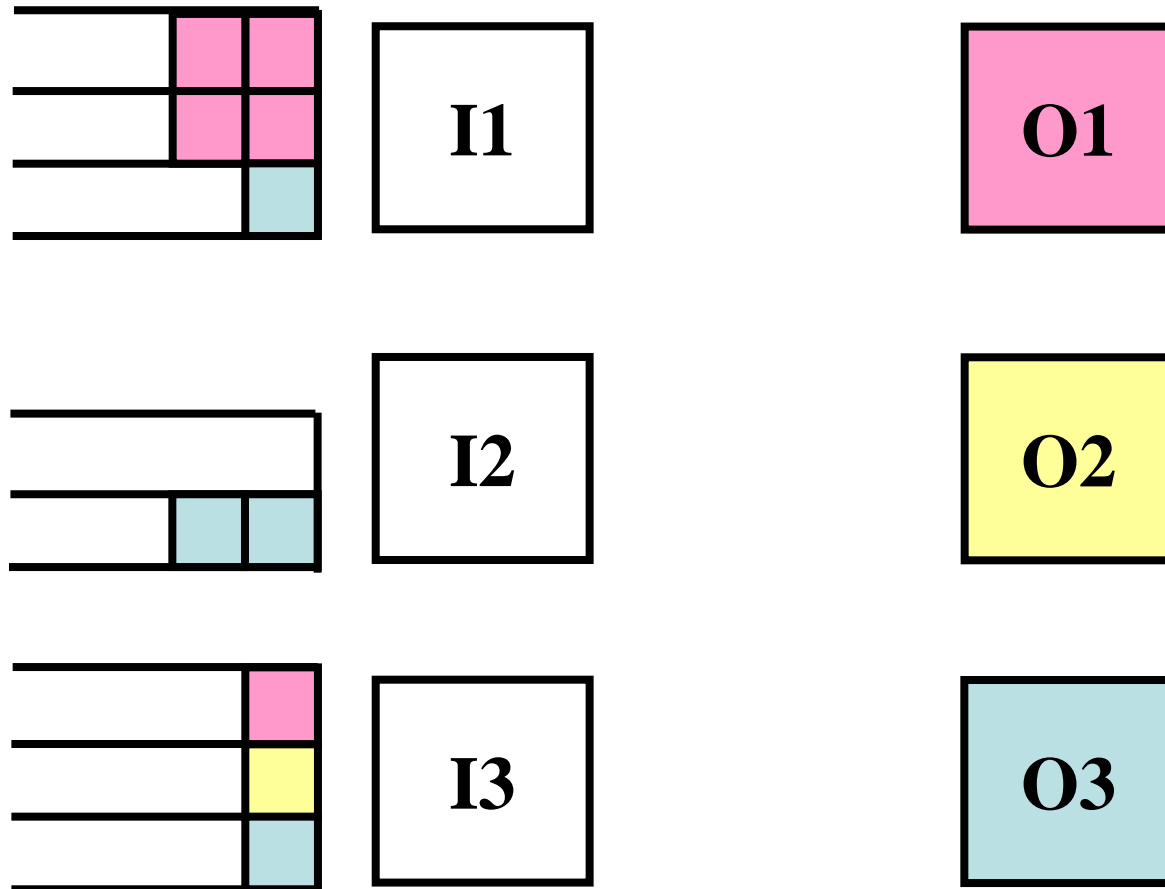


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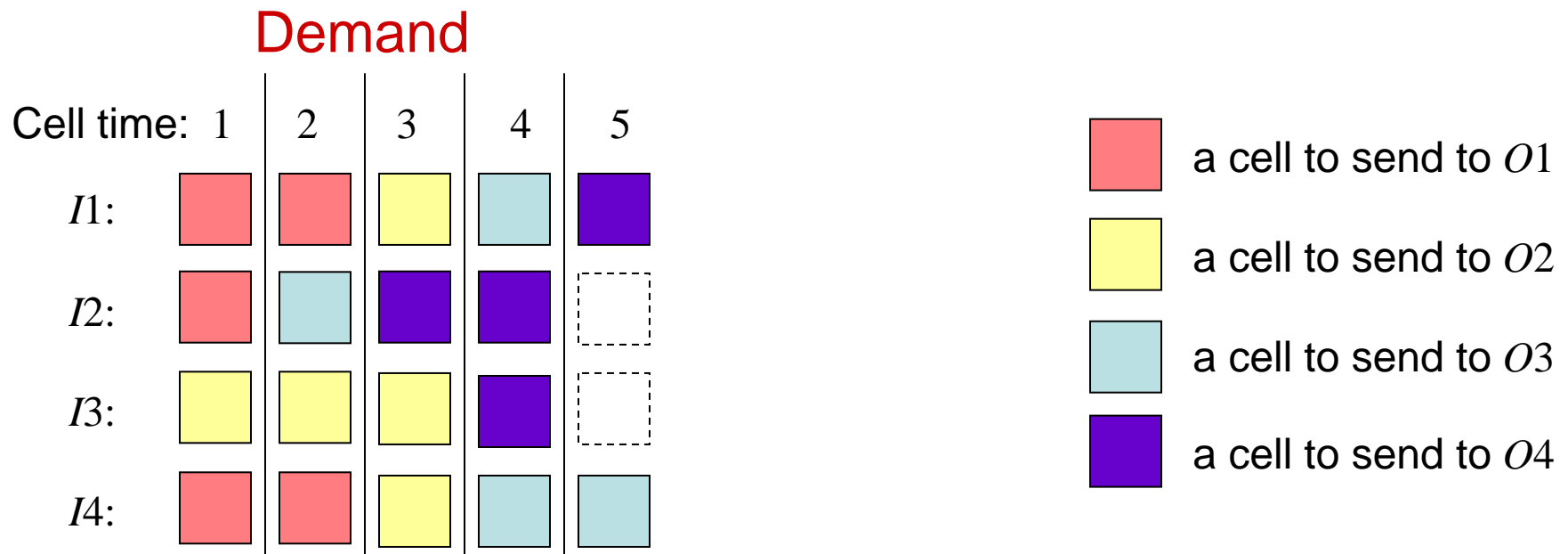




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TDMA scheduling **frame** of  $M$  cell-time, e.g.,  $M = 5$





















Fit all real-time flows' periods into frame,  
e.g.,  $(11, 3) \rightarrow (5, 2)$ , i.e.,  $(10, 4)$

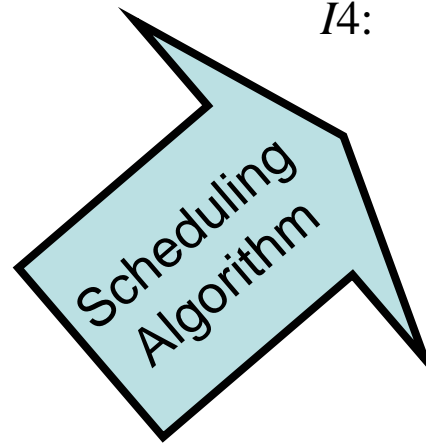




























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Theorem 1: If demand matrix' every color  $\leq M$  cell, then have config. time scheduler with  $O(N^4)$  time cost [wang10].

	Demand				
Cell time:	1	2	3	4	5
$I1:$					
$I2:$					
$I3:$					
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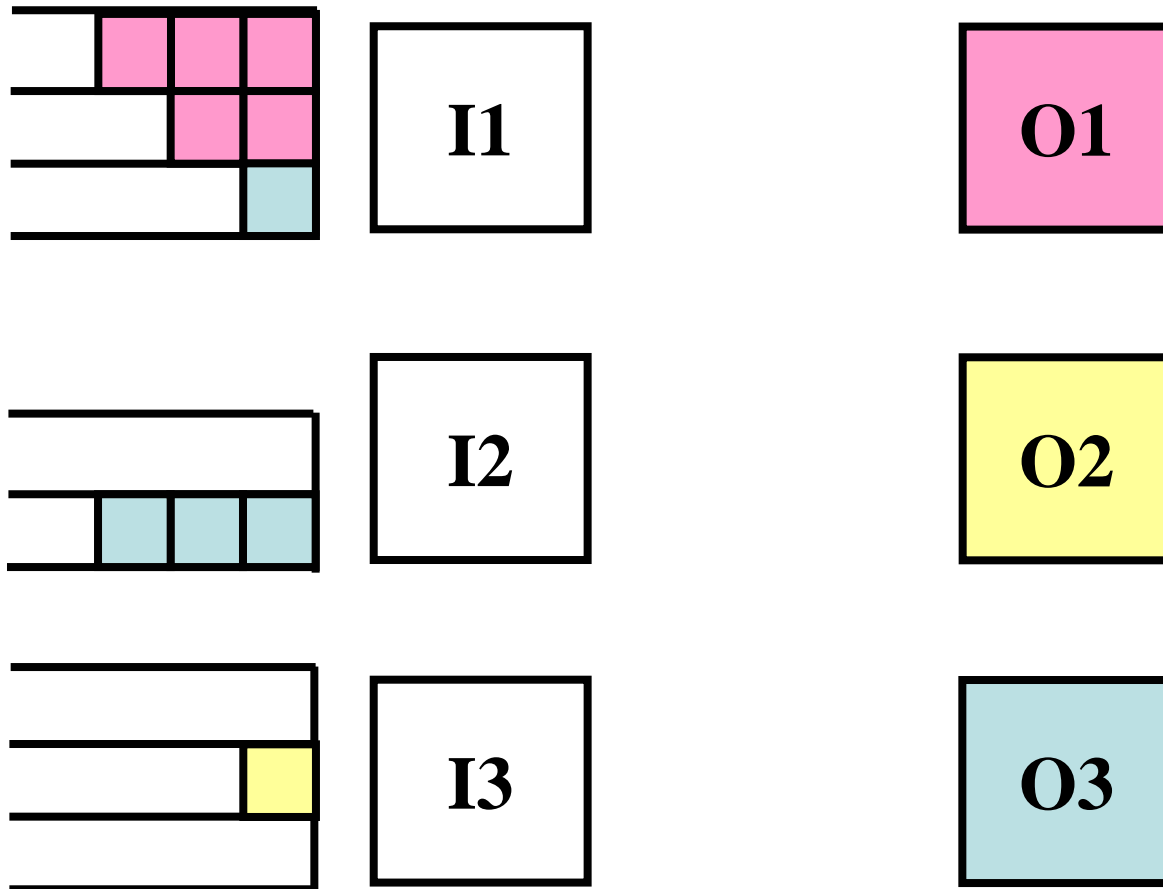
	Schedule				
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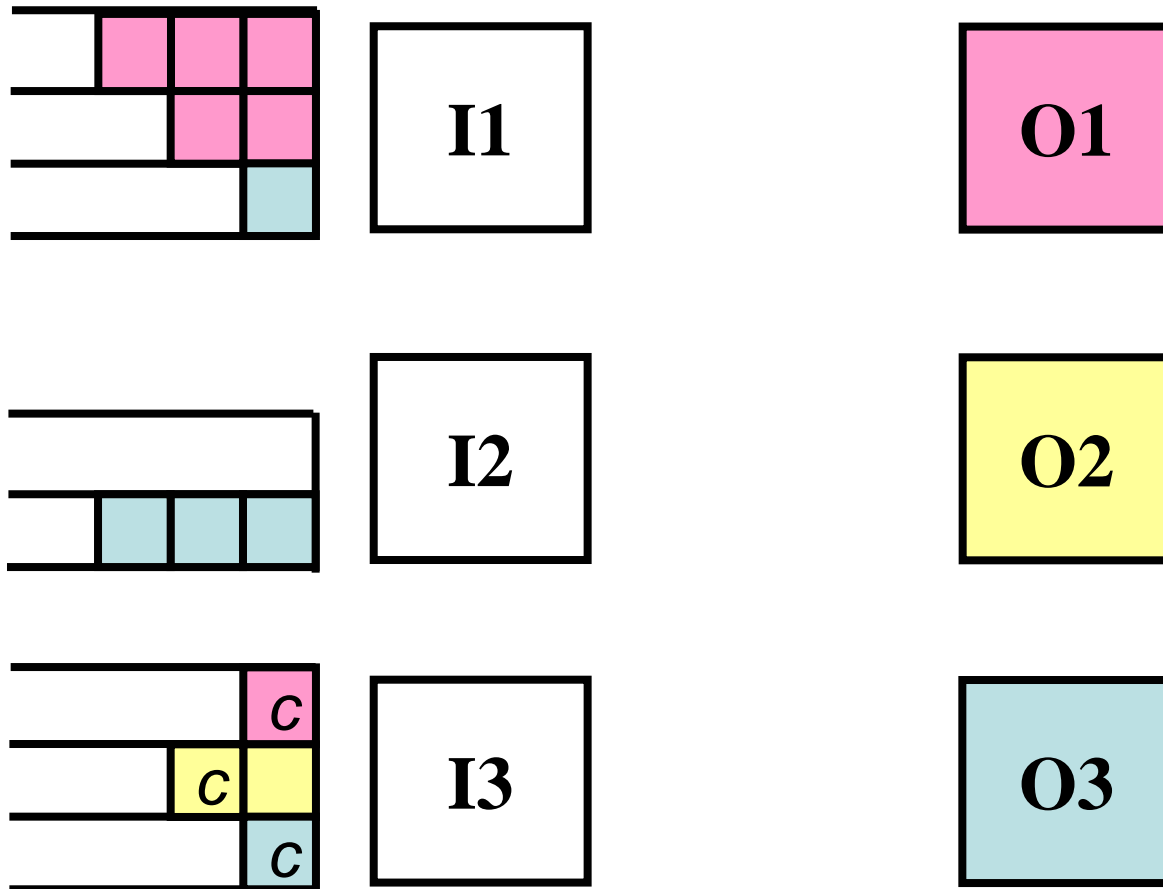


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**Search for Heuristic Solutions.**



Transform an M-slot Periodic RTMS instance into a Real-Time Multicast Routing (RTMR) instance.

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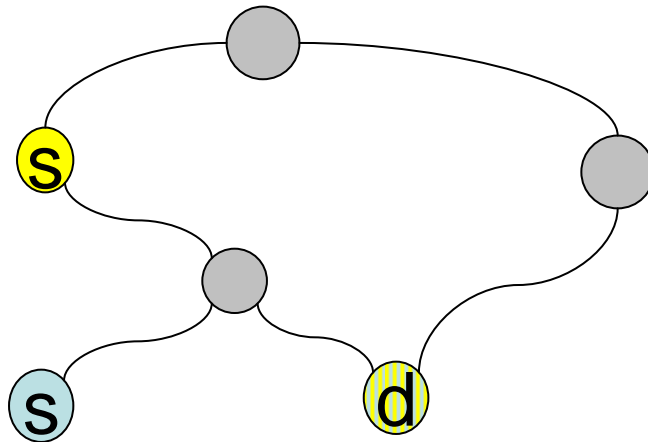
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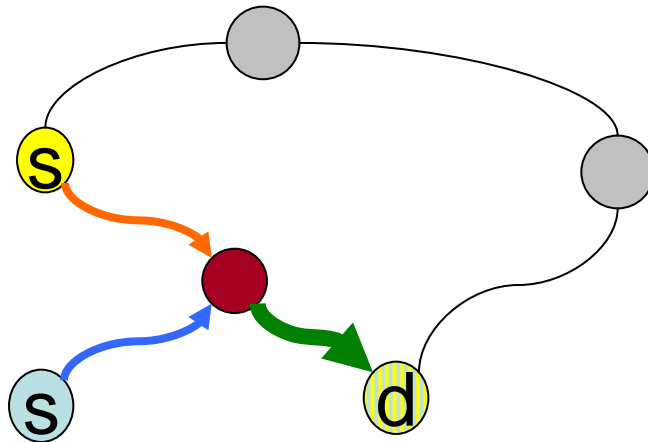




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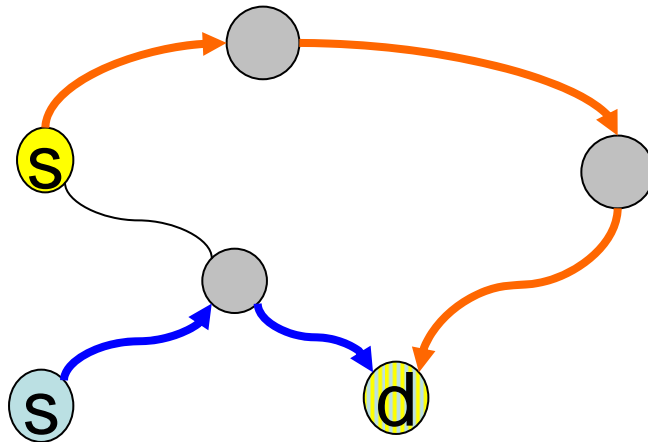




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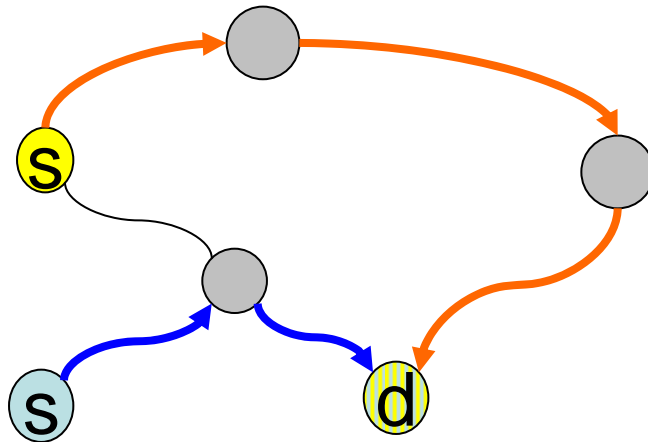




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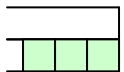


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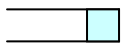
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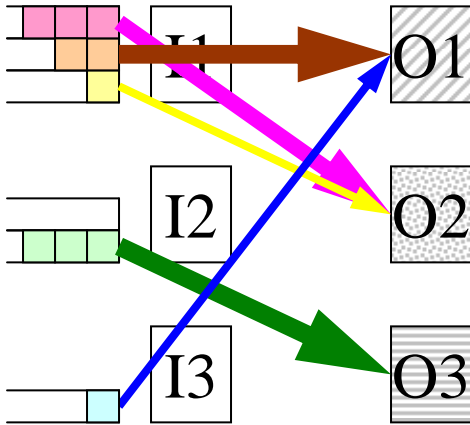
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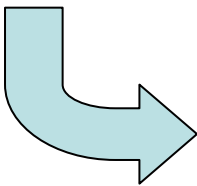


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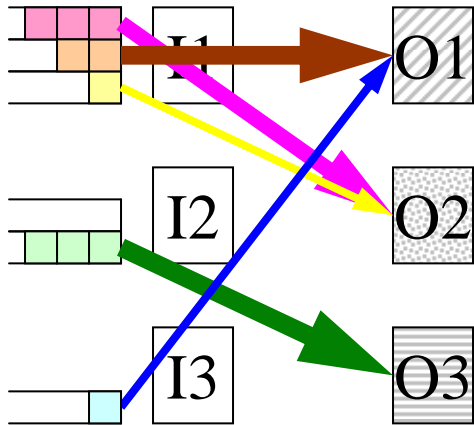
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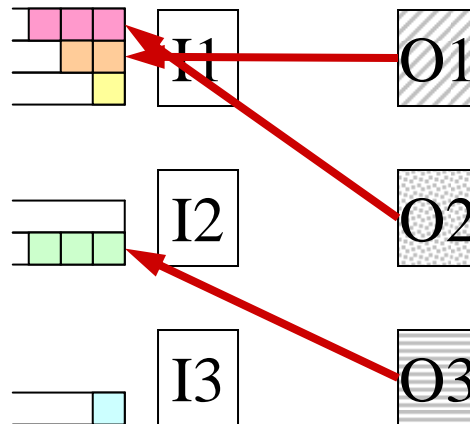
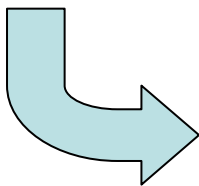


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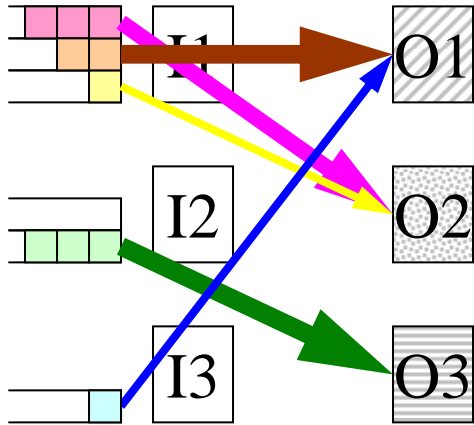
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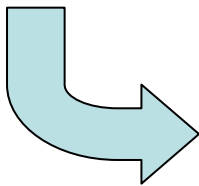
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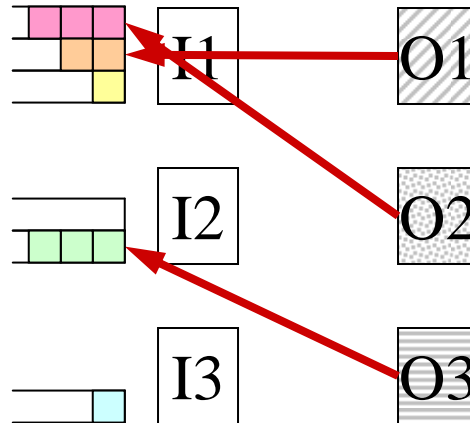
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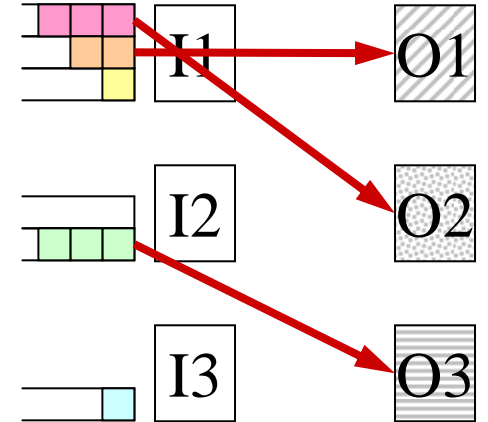


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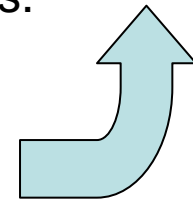


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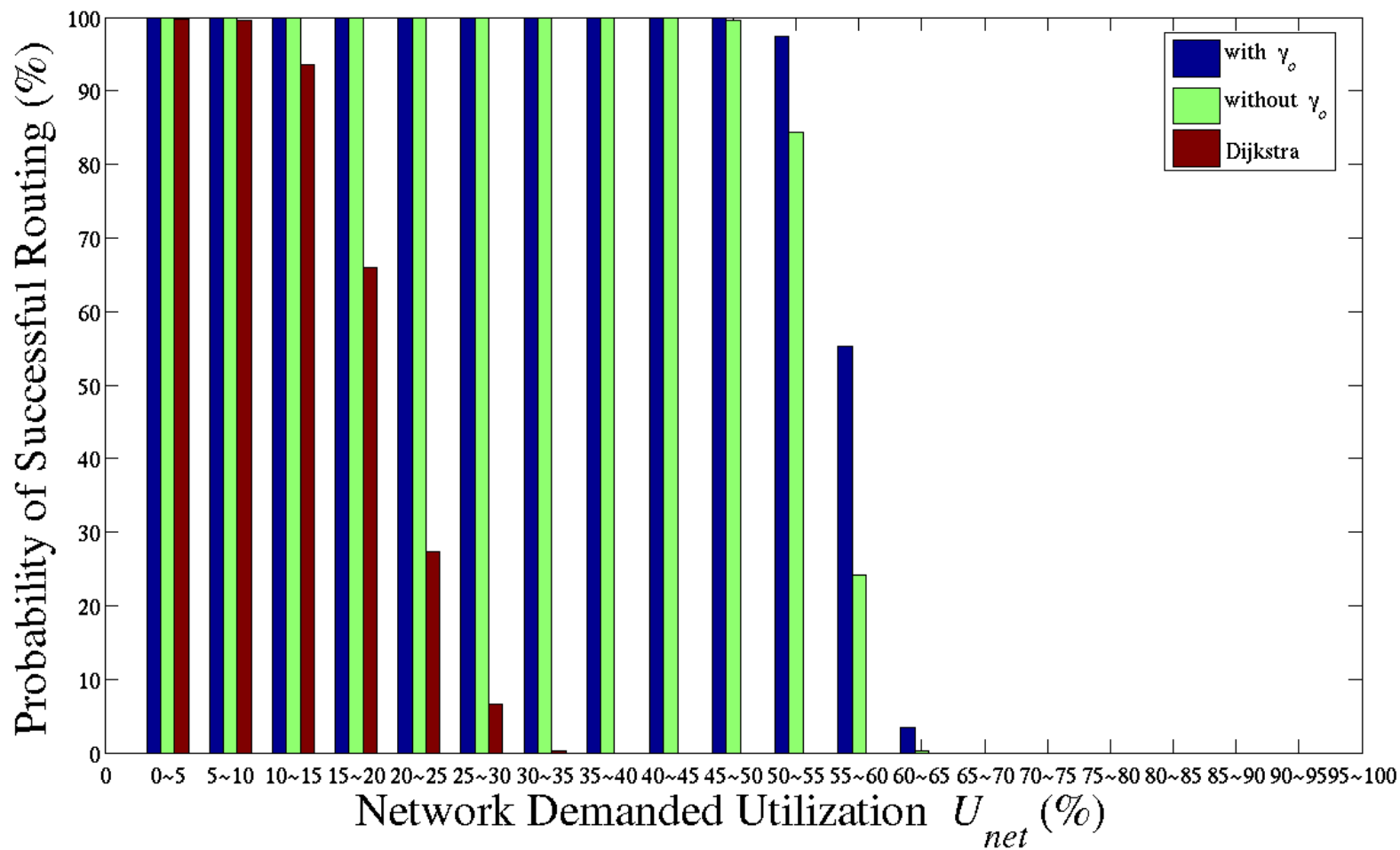
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Network Demanded Utilization  
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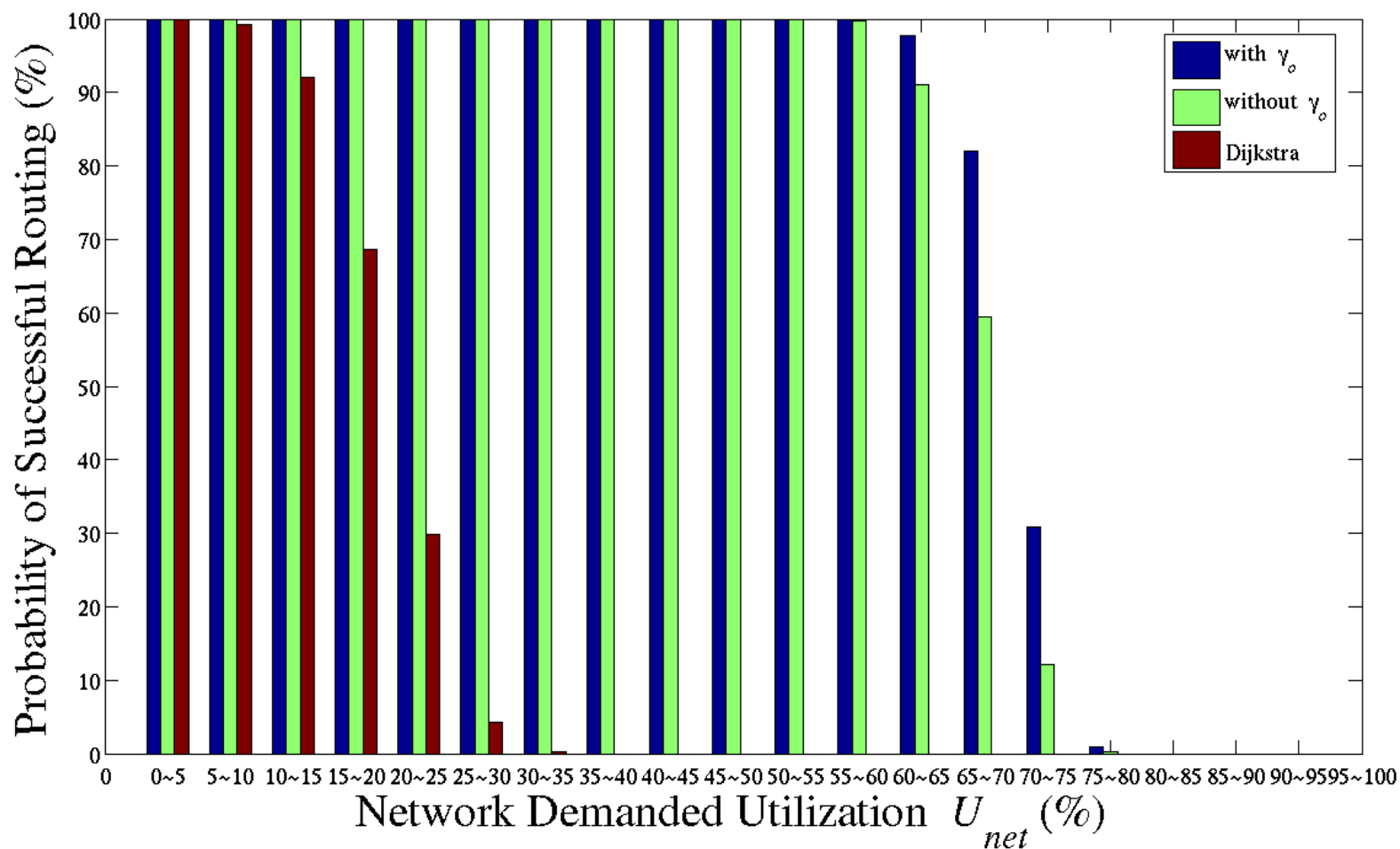


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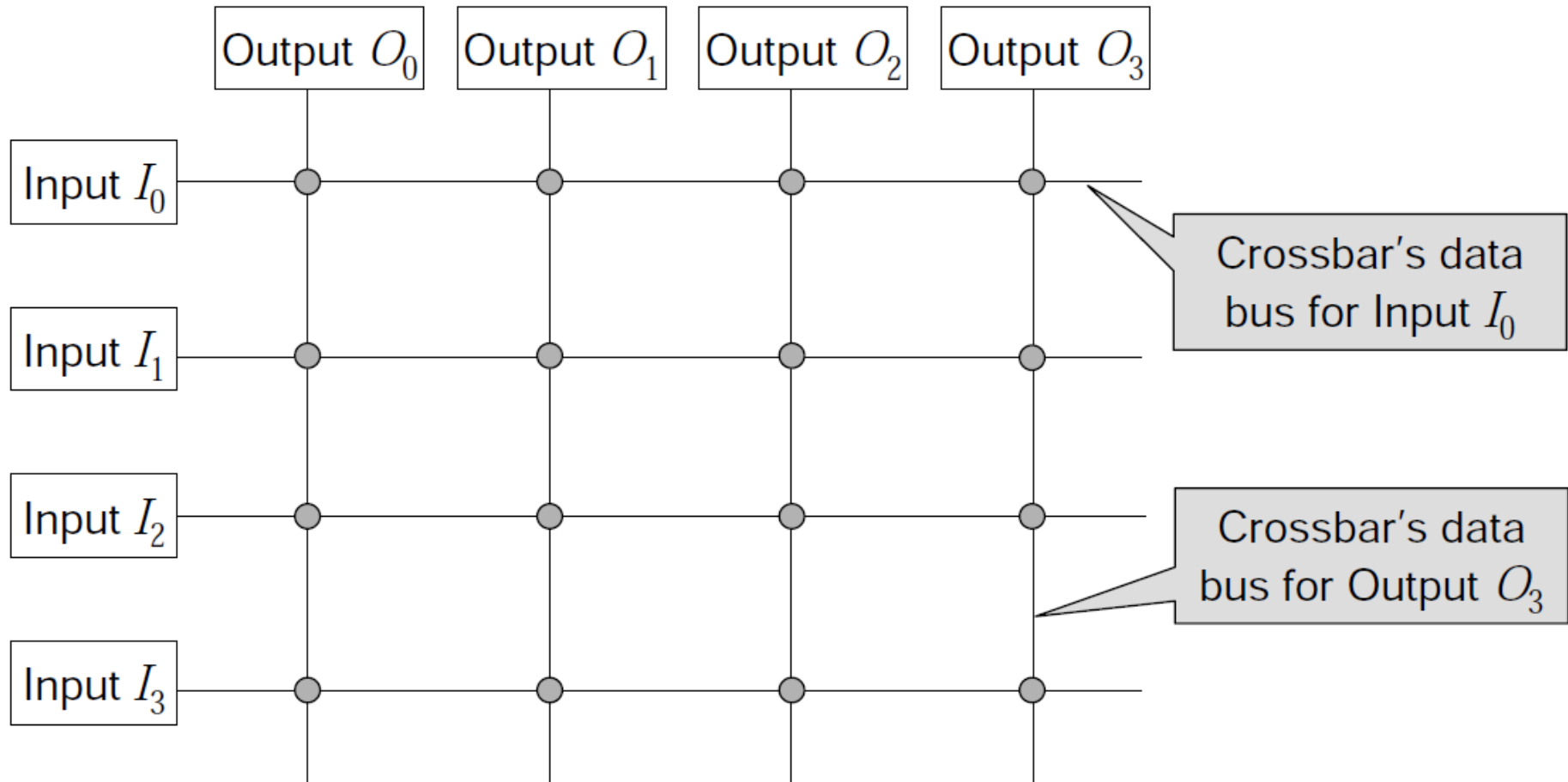
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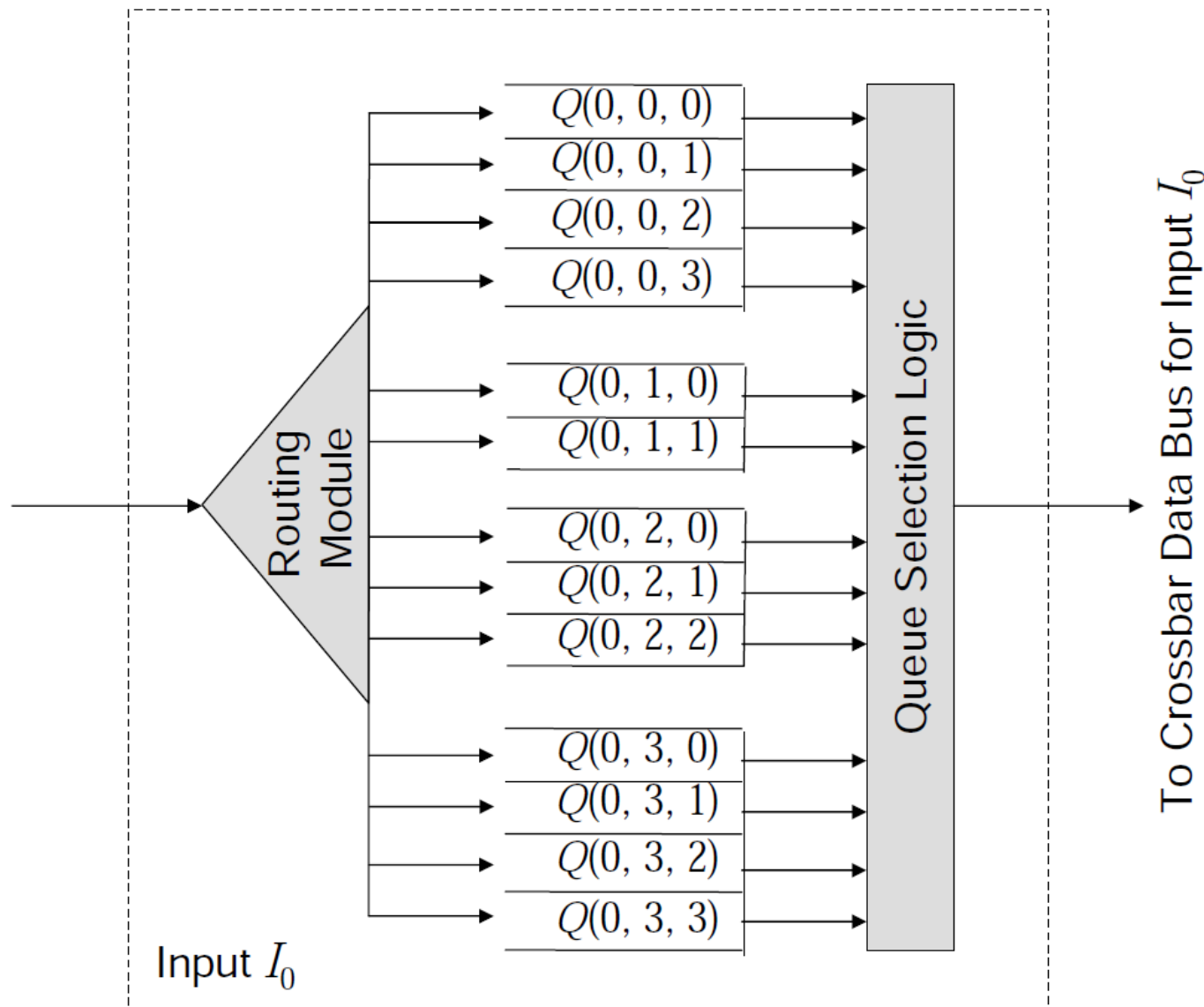


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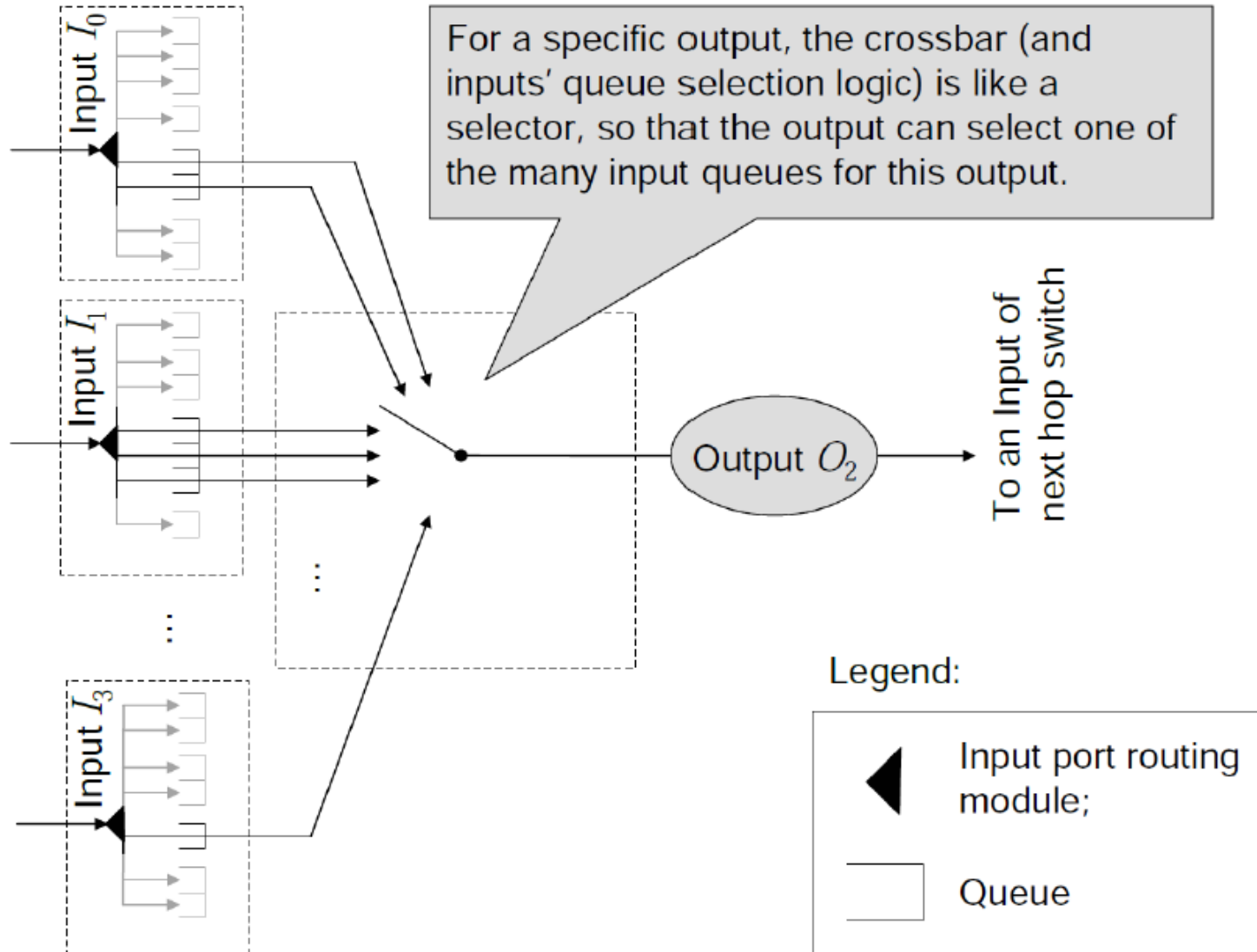


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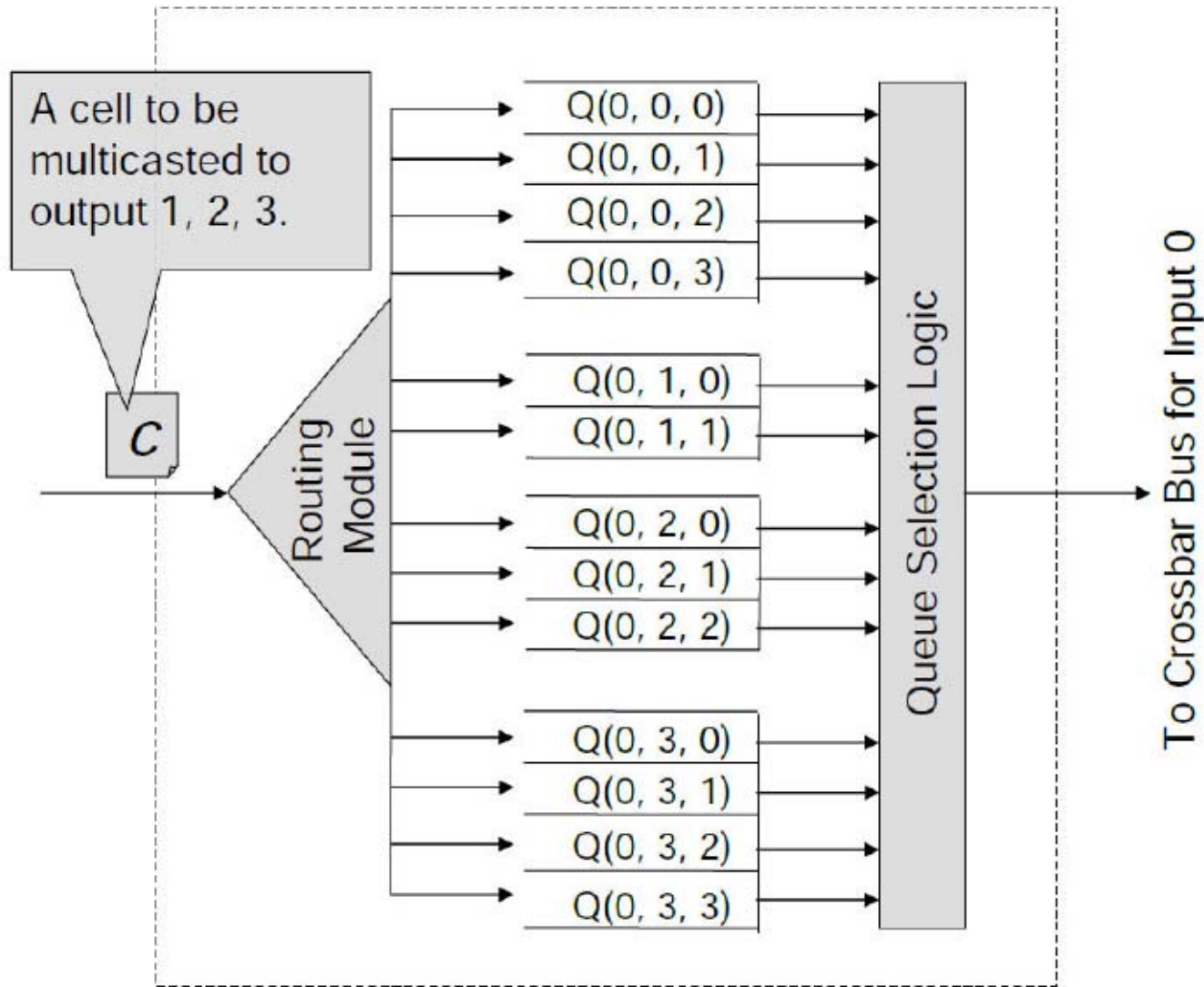


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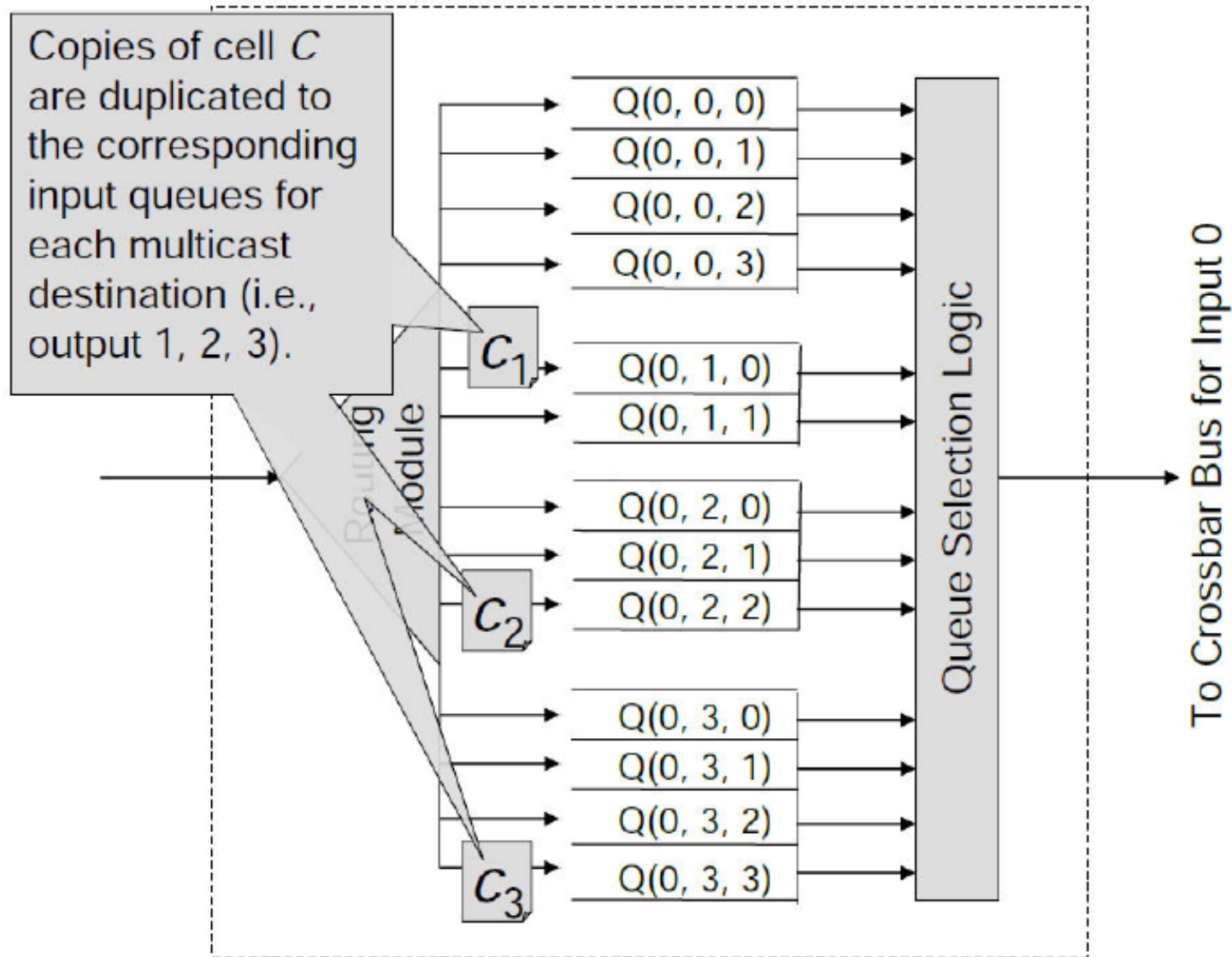


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