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**Exhaustive search of dynamical properties in
Process Hitting using
Answer Set Programming**

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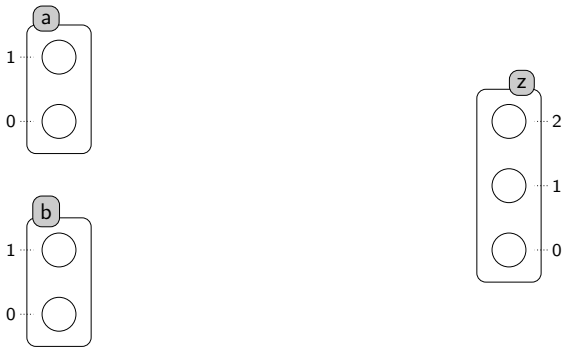
searching of PH **properties** through ASP (Fixed points, reachability).

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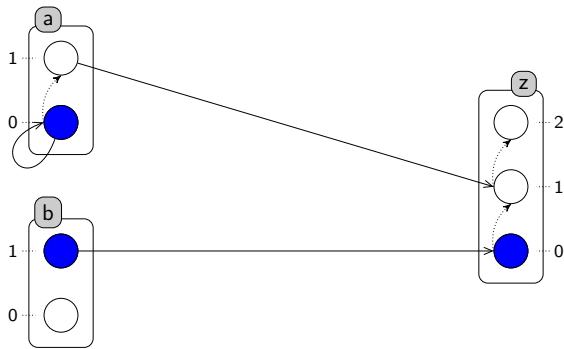


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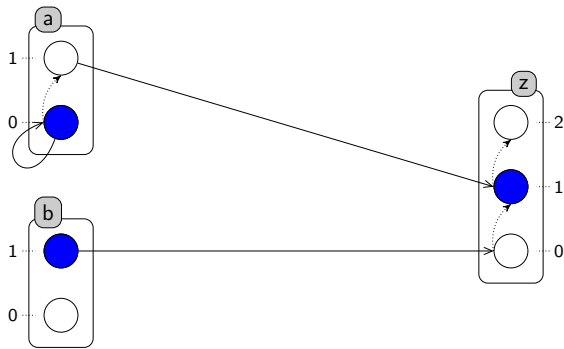
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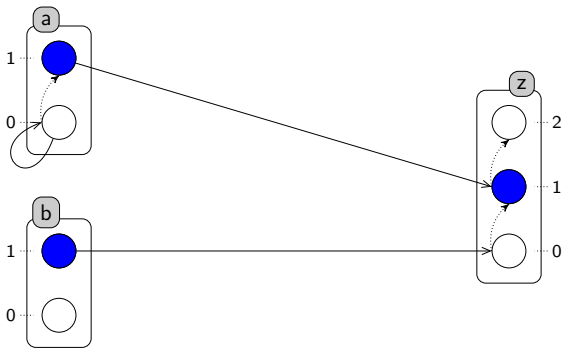
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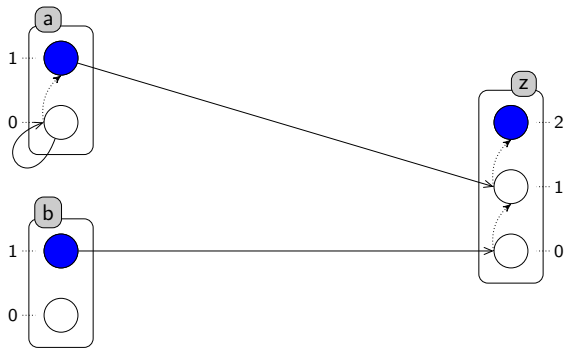
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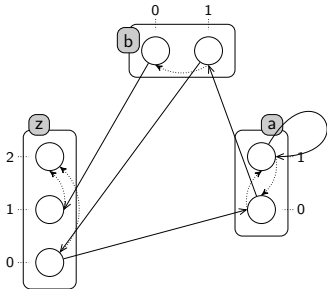
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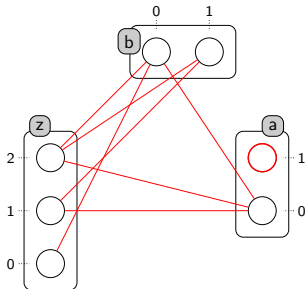
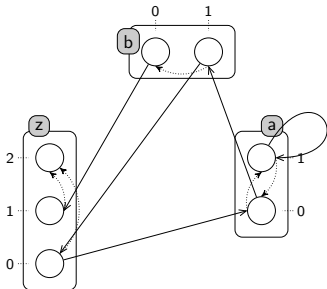
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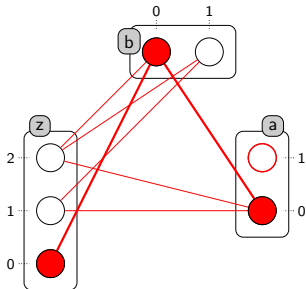
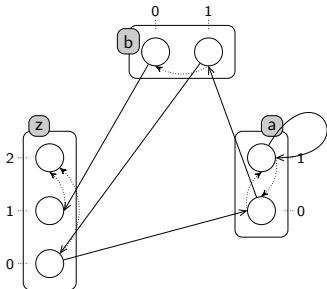
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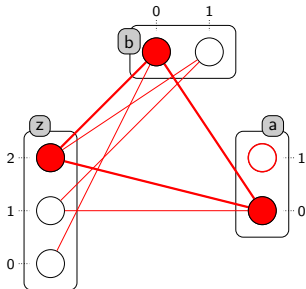
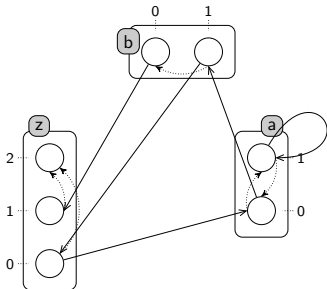
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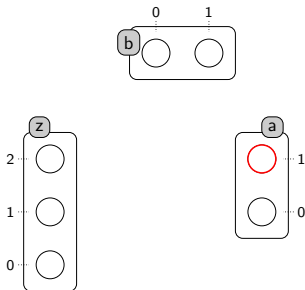
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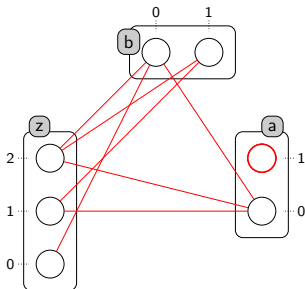
Implementation of algorithm



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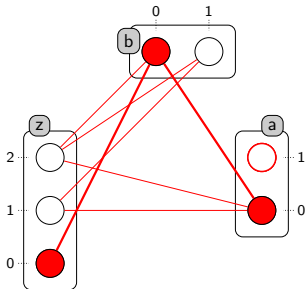
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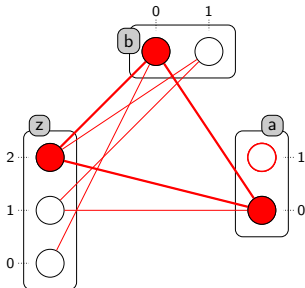
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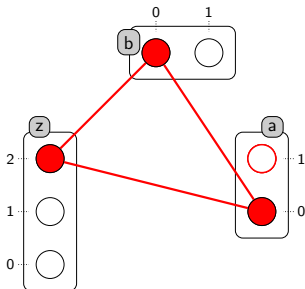
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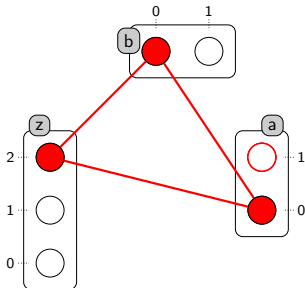
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ASP program answer:

Answer 1: `fixProcess(a,0), fixProcess(b,0), fixProcess(z,2).`

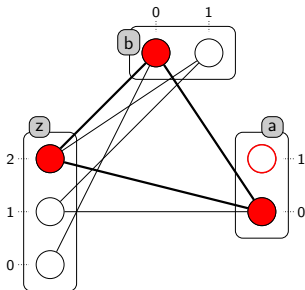


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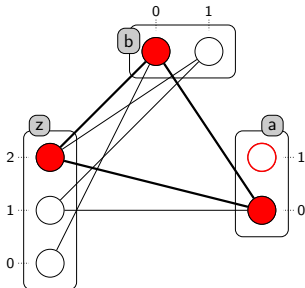
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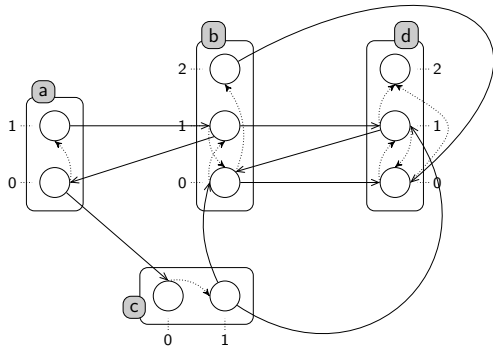
Model	#sorts	#states	#fix-point	PINT	ASP mthd1	mthd2
mvbrn	3	12	1	0.006s	0.000s	0.000s
ERBB_G	42	2^{70}	3	0.017s	0.220s	0.000s
tcrsig40	54	2^{73}	1	0.021s	0.220s	0.020s
tcrsig94	133	2^{194}	0	0.027s	2.540s	0.060s

Figure: Execution time of ASP methods applied for biological networks with a desktop computer

PINT : a library developed to parse and study PH models

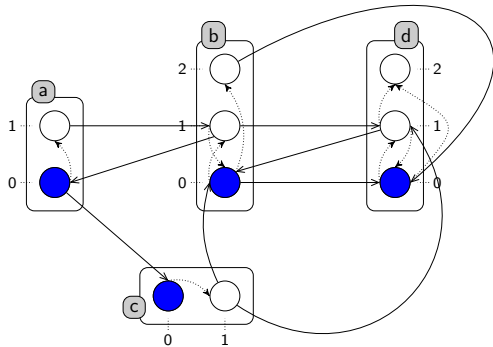
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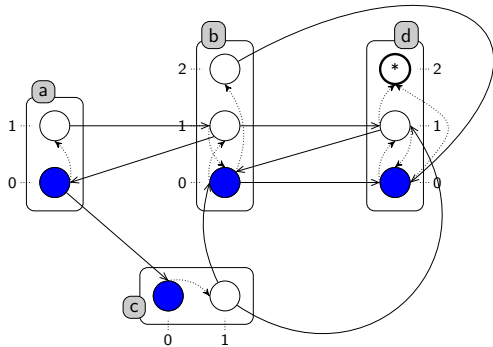


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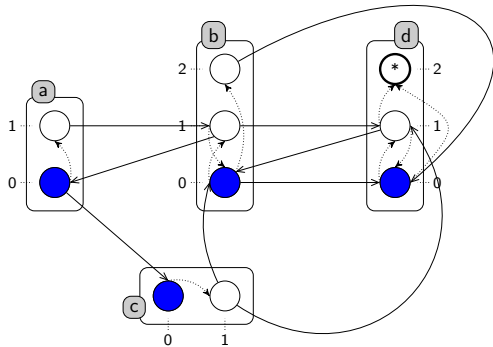
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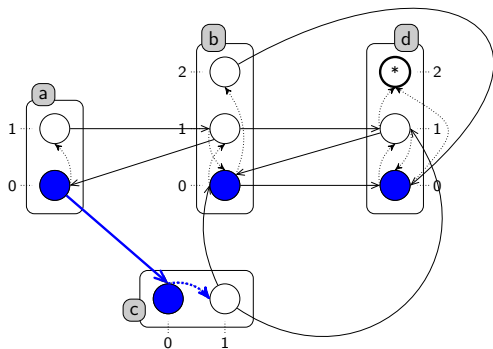
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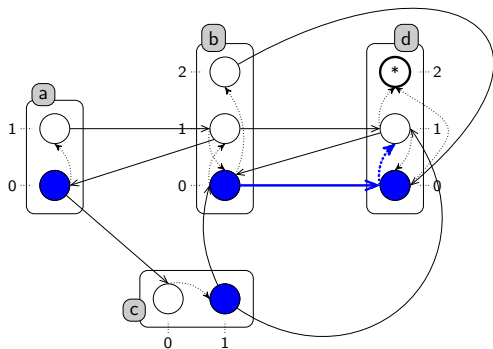
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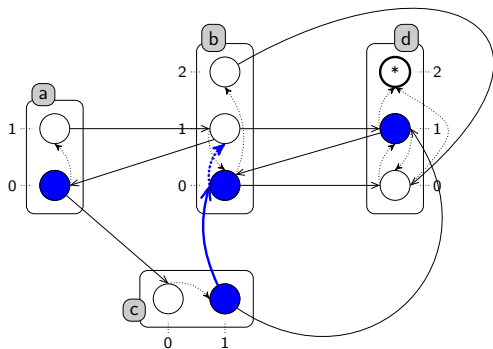
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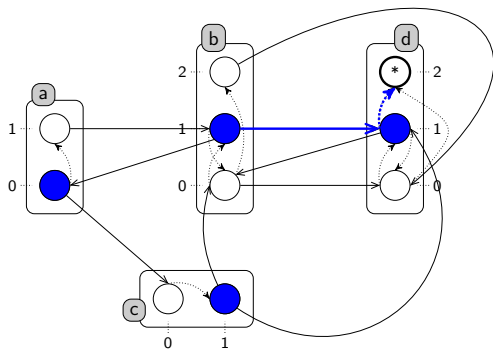
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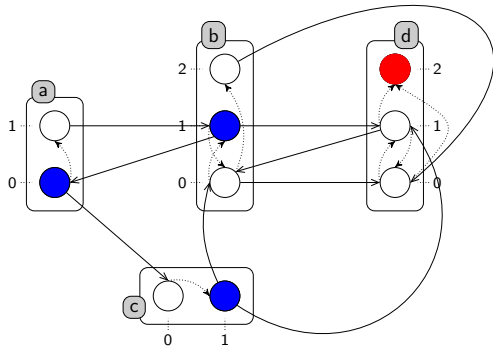
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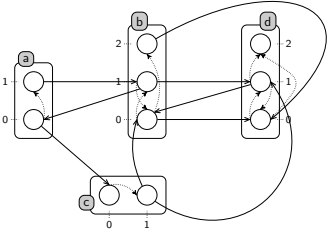
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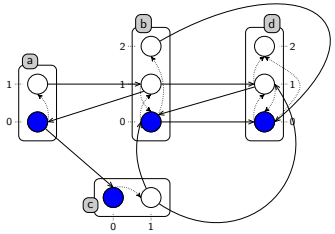
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```

with a: sort, 0: process index

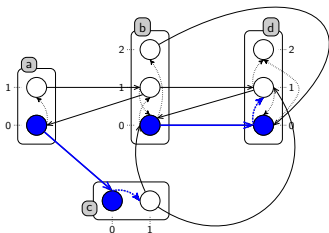


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Playable actions at time T:

```
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```

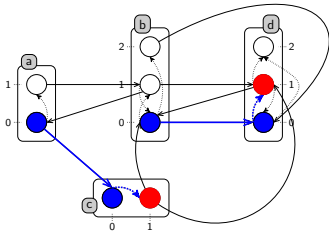


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Change active processes:

```
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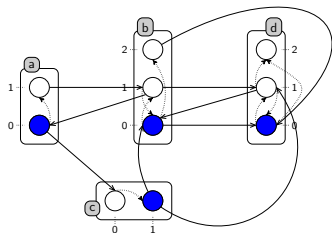
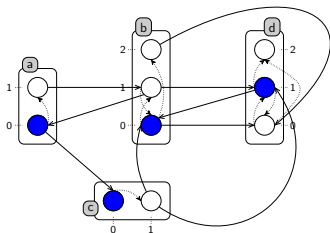
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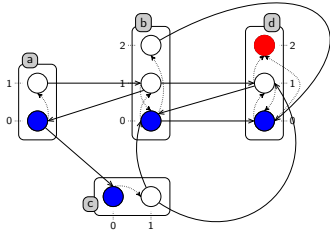
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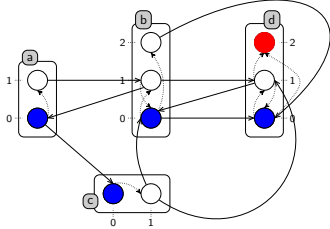
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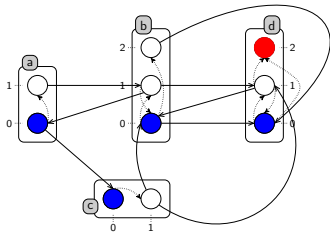
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satisfiable(F,T) :- goal(F), instate(F,T).
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satisfaible(F,T) :- goal(F), instate(F,T).  
time(0..N).
```

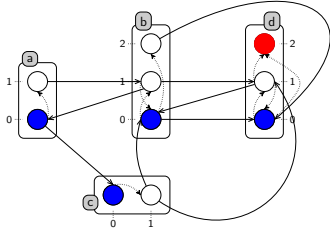


Reachability ASP

Success reachability through ASP:

```
goal(activeProcess("d",2)).  
satisfaisable(F,T) :- goal(F), instate(F,T).  
time(0..N).
```

prédicit N -> **Inconvenient**



Reachability ASP

Success reachability through ASP:

Iterative:

```
goal(activeProcess("d",2)).
```

```
#cumulative t
```

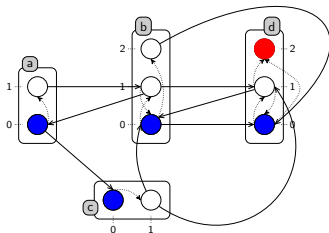
```
playableAction(A, I, B, J, K,t), activeFromTo(B, J, K,t),
```

```
instate(activeProcess(A, I),t + 1)...
```

```
#volatile t
```

```
notSatisfiable(t) :- goal(F), not instate(F,t).
```

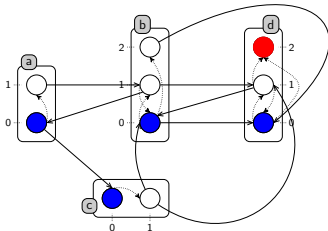
```
:- notSatisfiable(t).
```



Reachability ASP

Success reachability through ASP:

Answer 1: `activeFromTo(c,0,1,0)`, `activeFromTo(d,0,1,1)`,
`activeFromTo(b,0,1,2)`, `activeFromTo(d,1,2,3)`.



Reachability ASP

Comparison:

ERBB_G1 : **42** sorts, **152** processes, **399** actions, 2^{70} states

initialisation: level 0 except 5

objective: *goal(activeProcess("pRB", 1)).*

The Table below describes the results:

Model	#steps	PINT	ASP	ASP iterative
ERBB_G1	18	0.022s	10.620s	5.020s

Conclusion

- New developed dynamic analysis to Process hitting models:
 - Fixed point
 - Network evolution
 - Reachability
- Perspectives:
 - Attractors
 - Network evolution without cycles

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