Dynamics of Arithmetic
A Connectionist View of Arithmetic Skills

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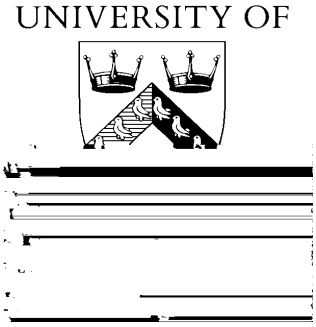

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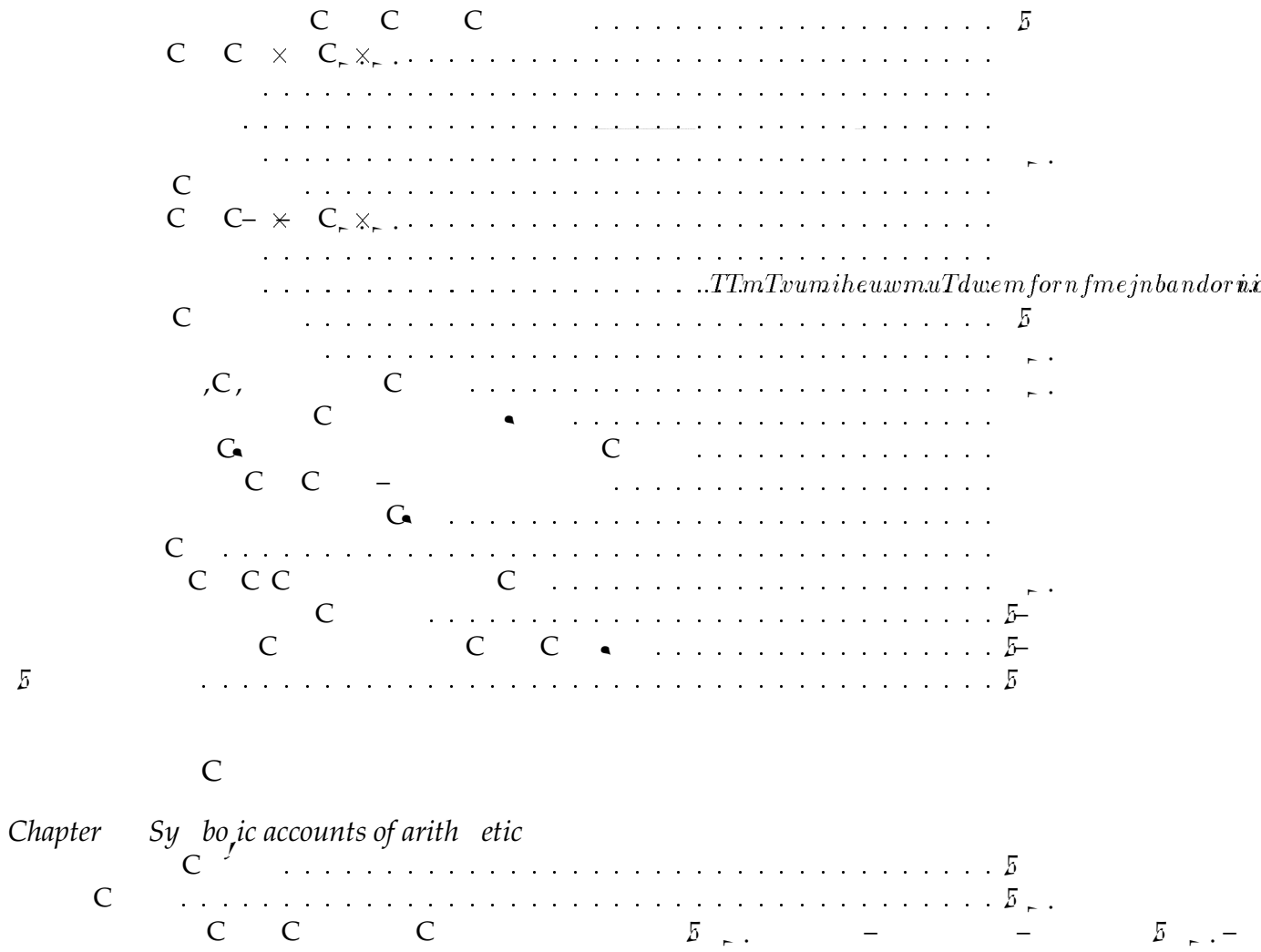

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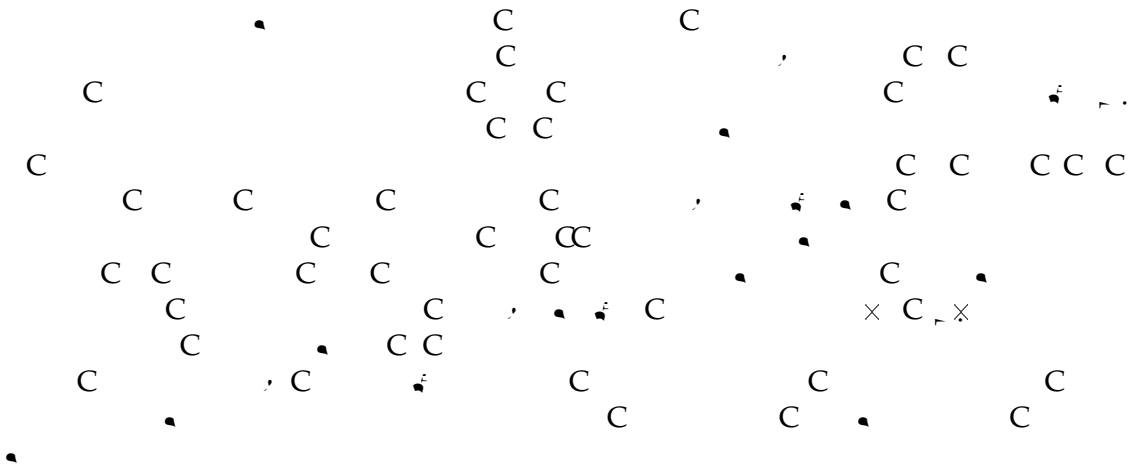

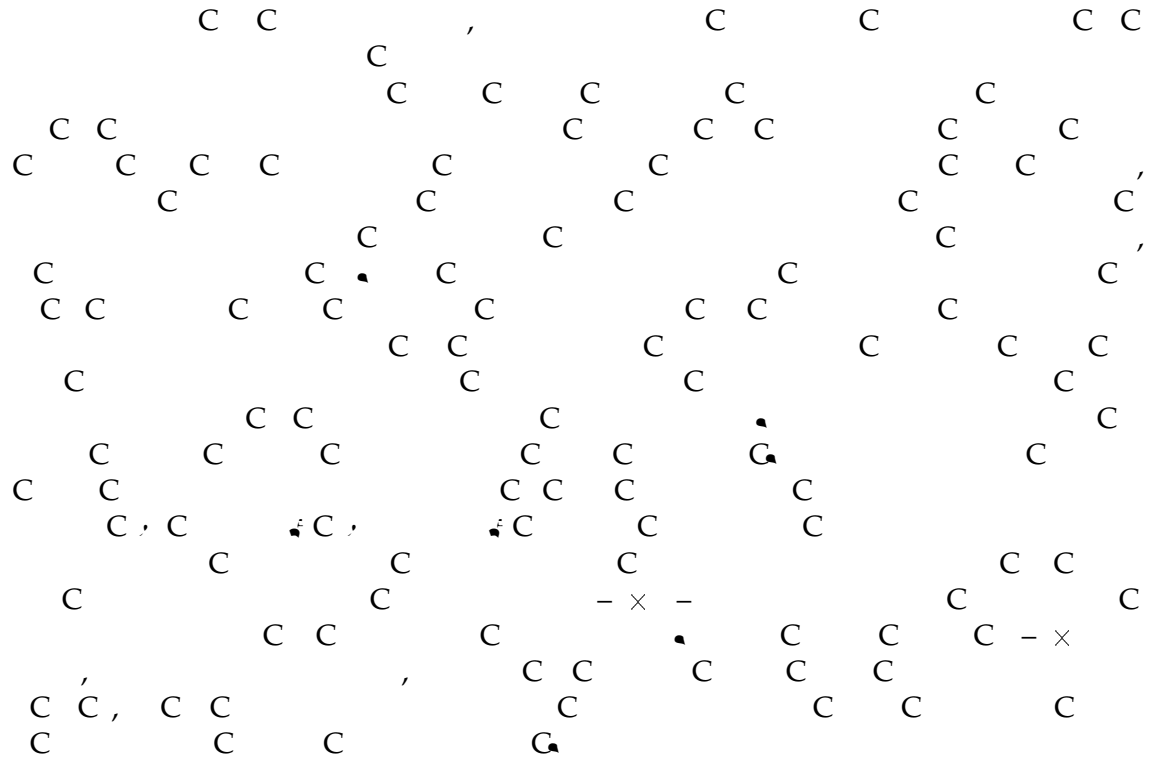

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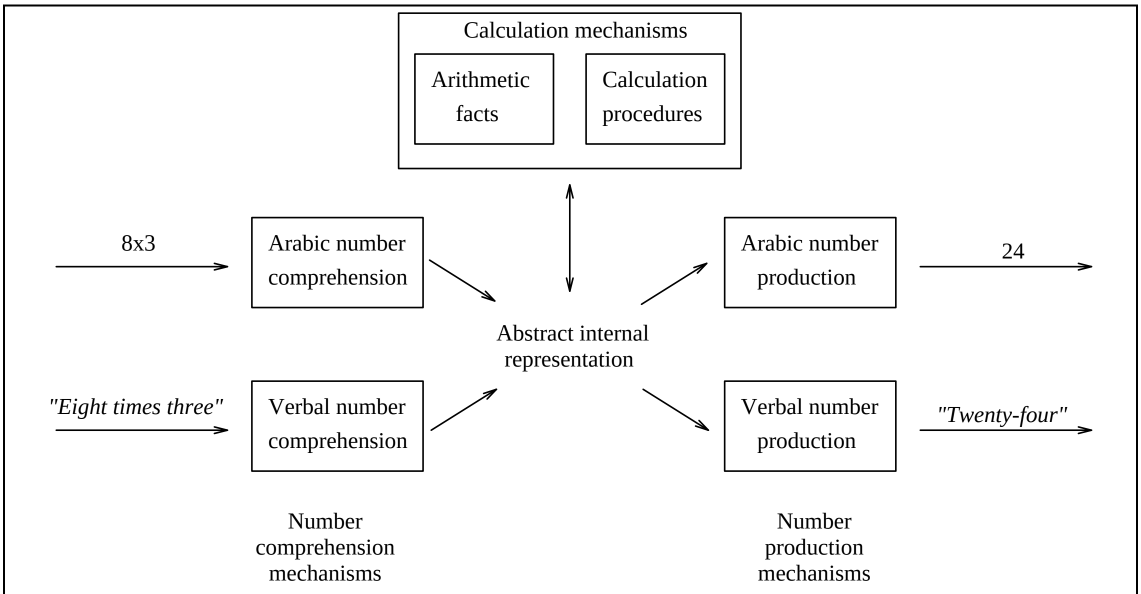

Calculation mechanisms
Arithmetic facts
Calculation procedures
8x3
Arabic number comprehension
Abstract internal representation
Arabic number production
24
"Eight times three"
Verbal number comprehension
Verbal number production
"Twenty-four"
Number comprehension mechanisms
Number production mechanisms

Figure

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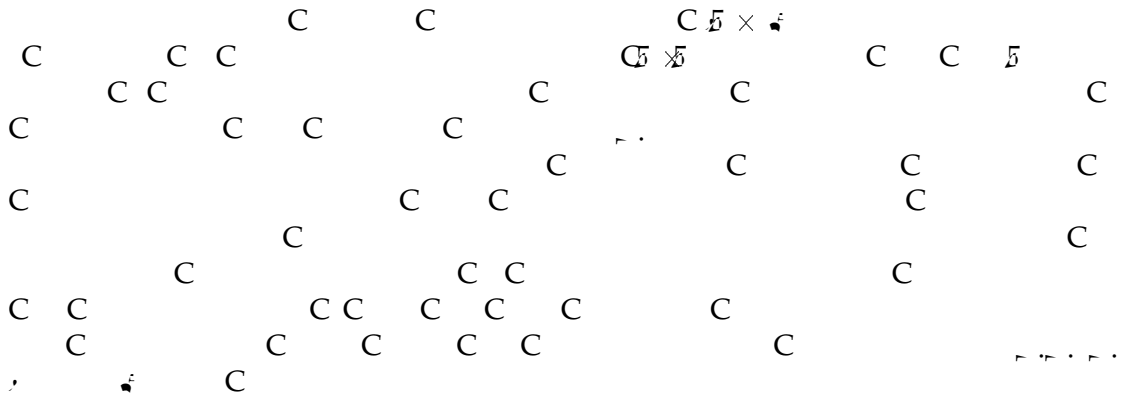

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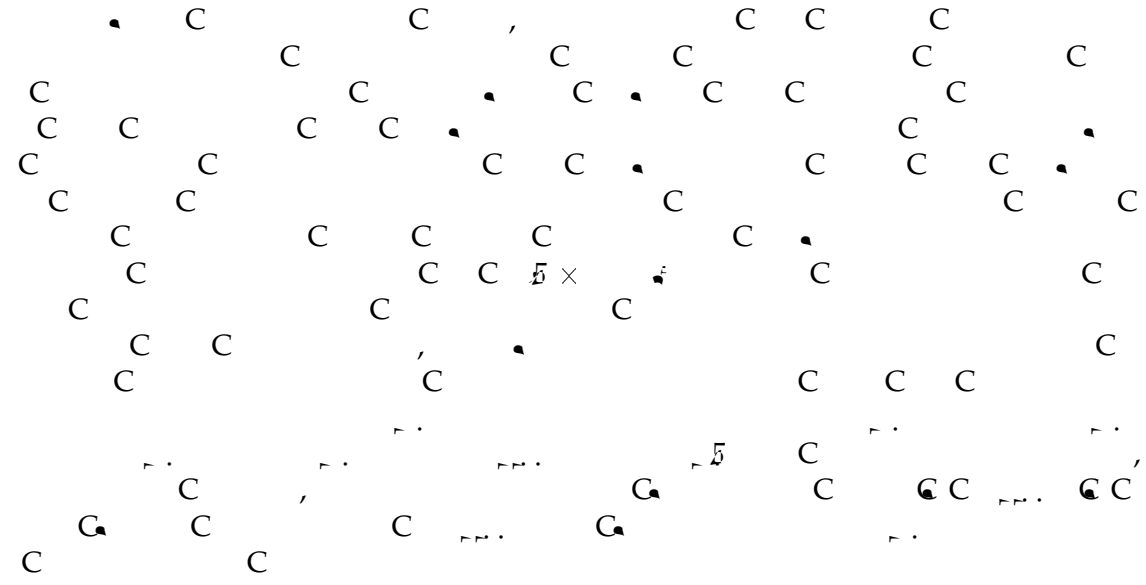

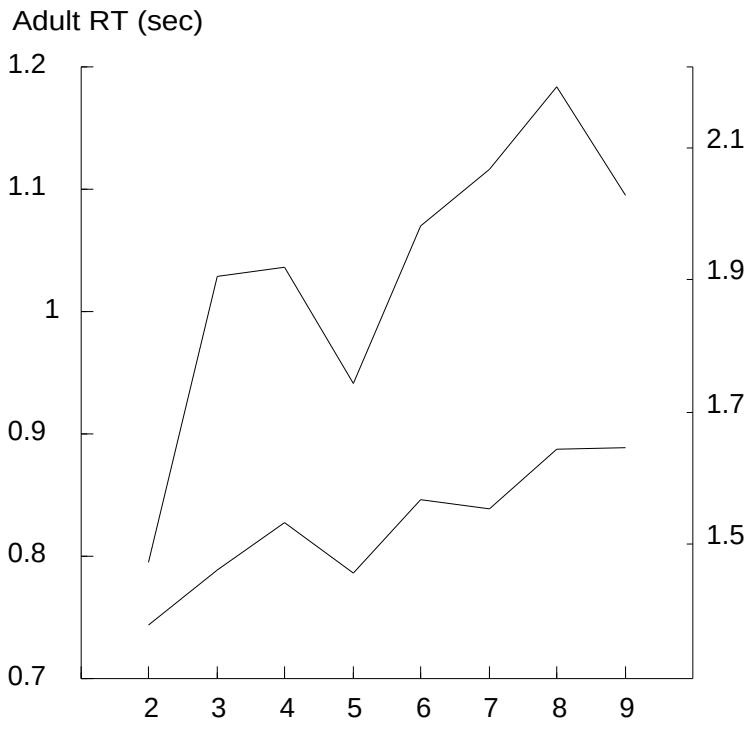
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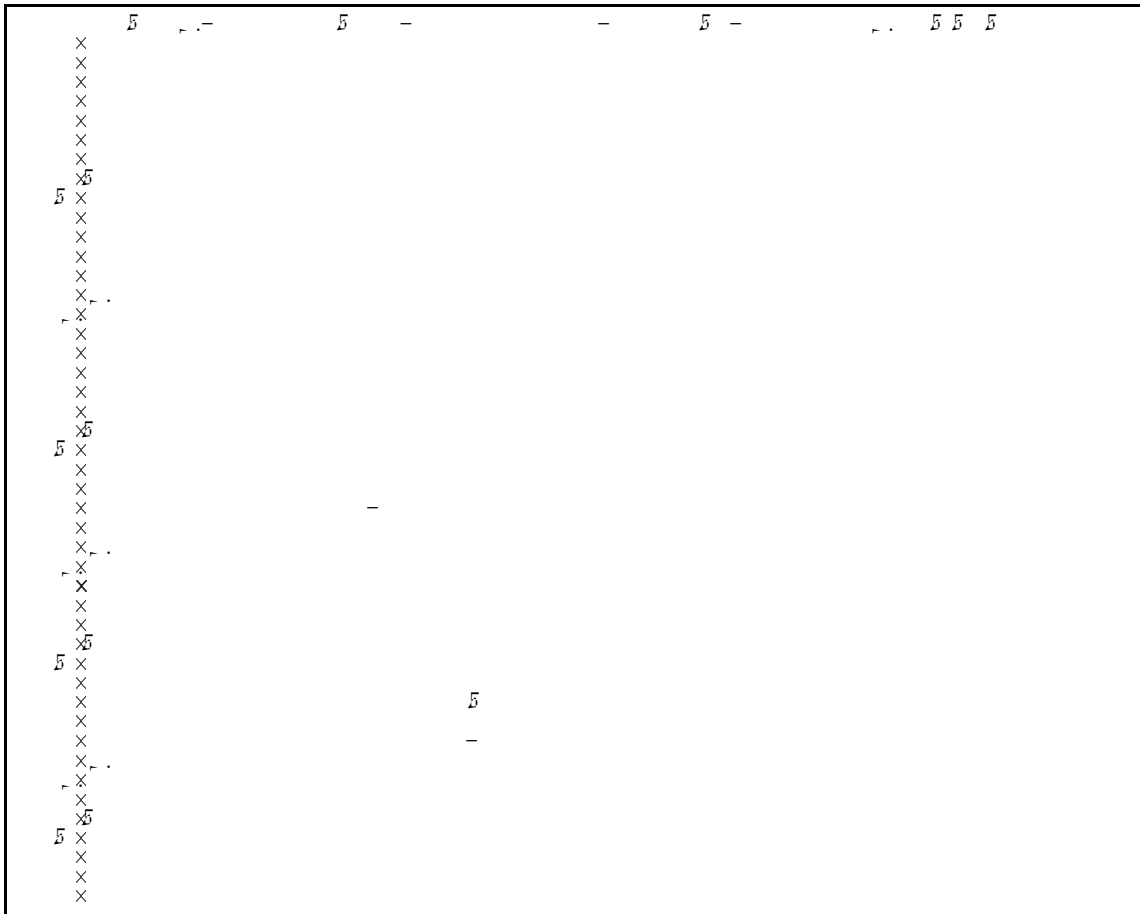

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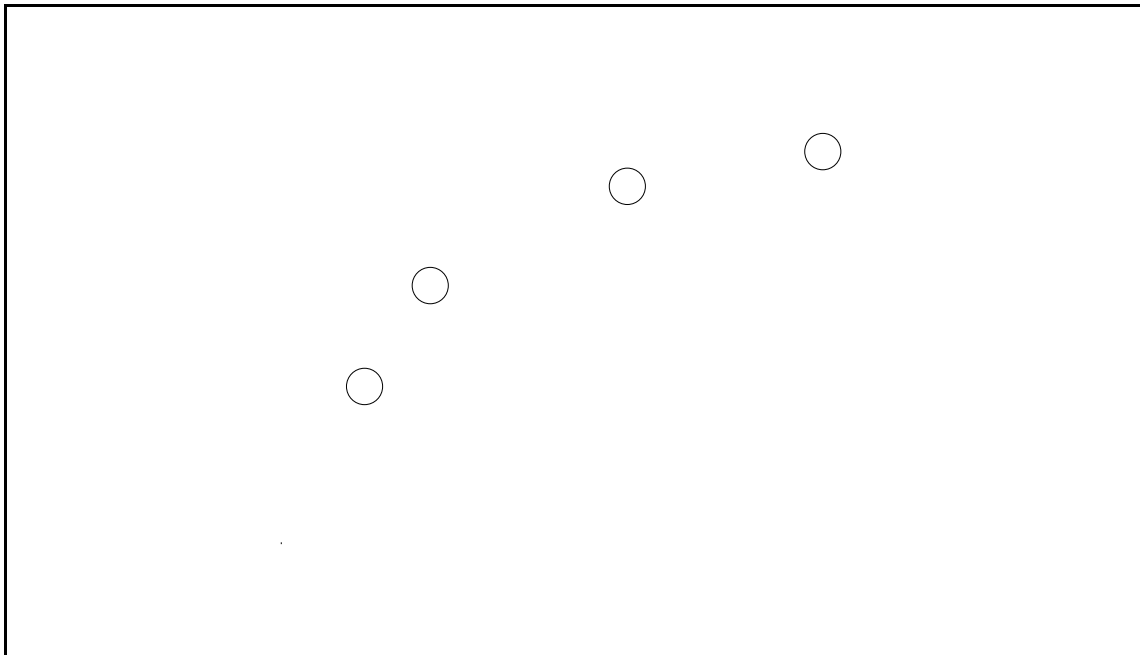

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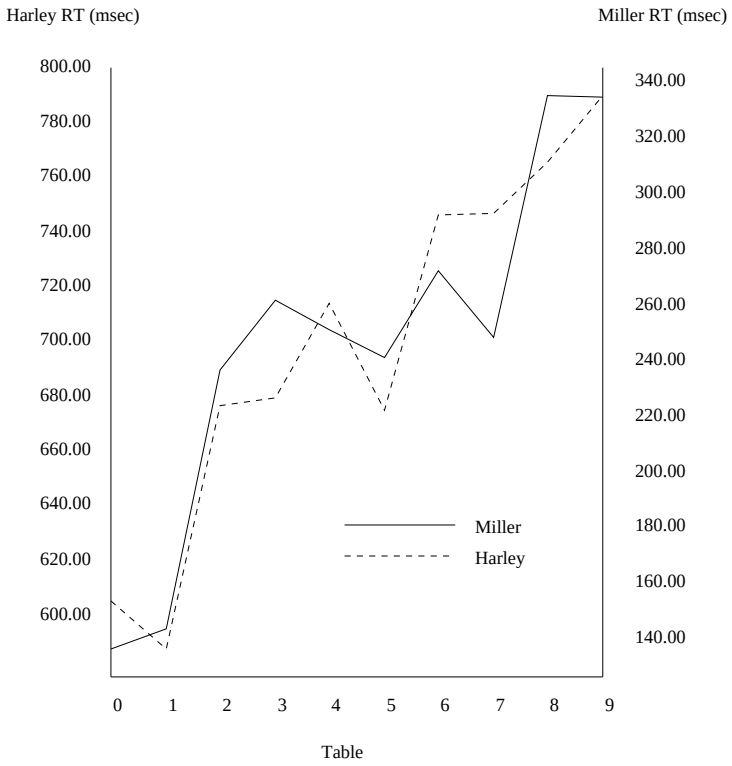

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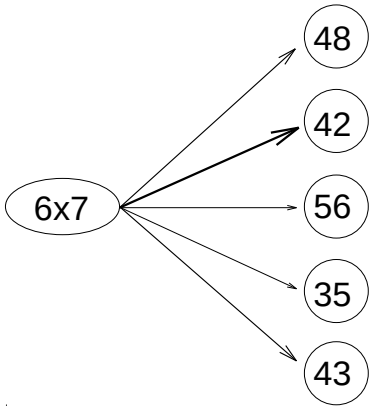

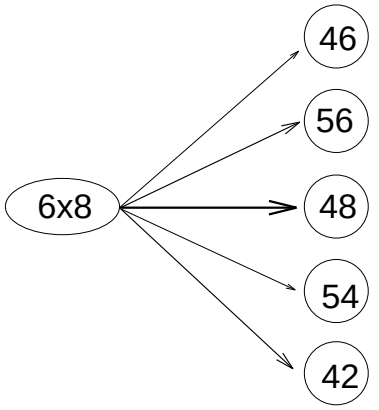

Figure C , C, C

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C C $n \times m$

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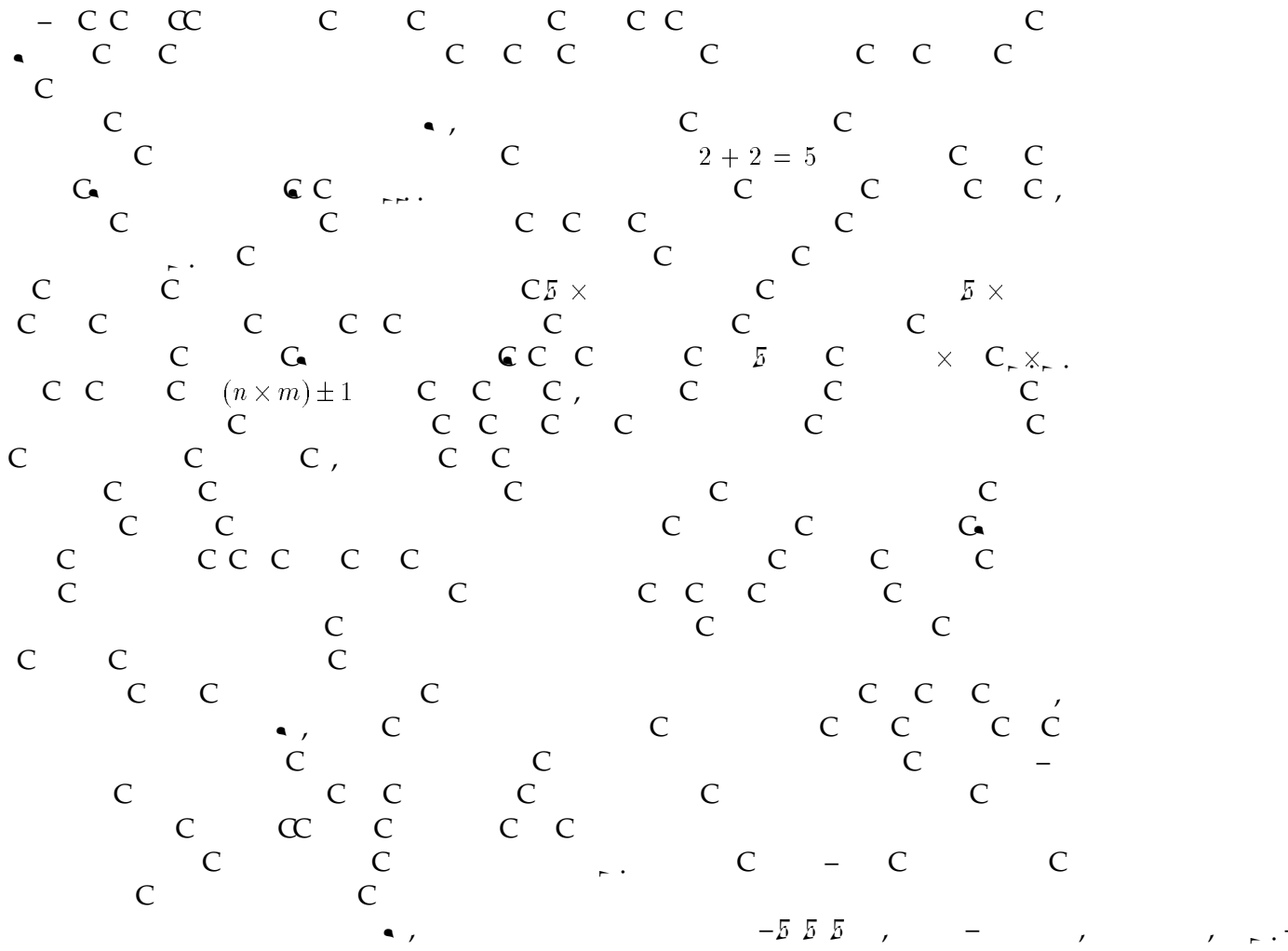
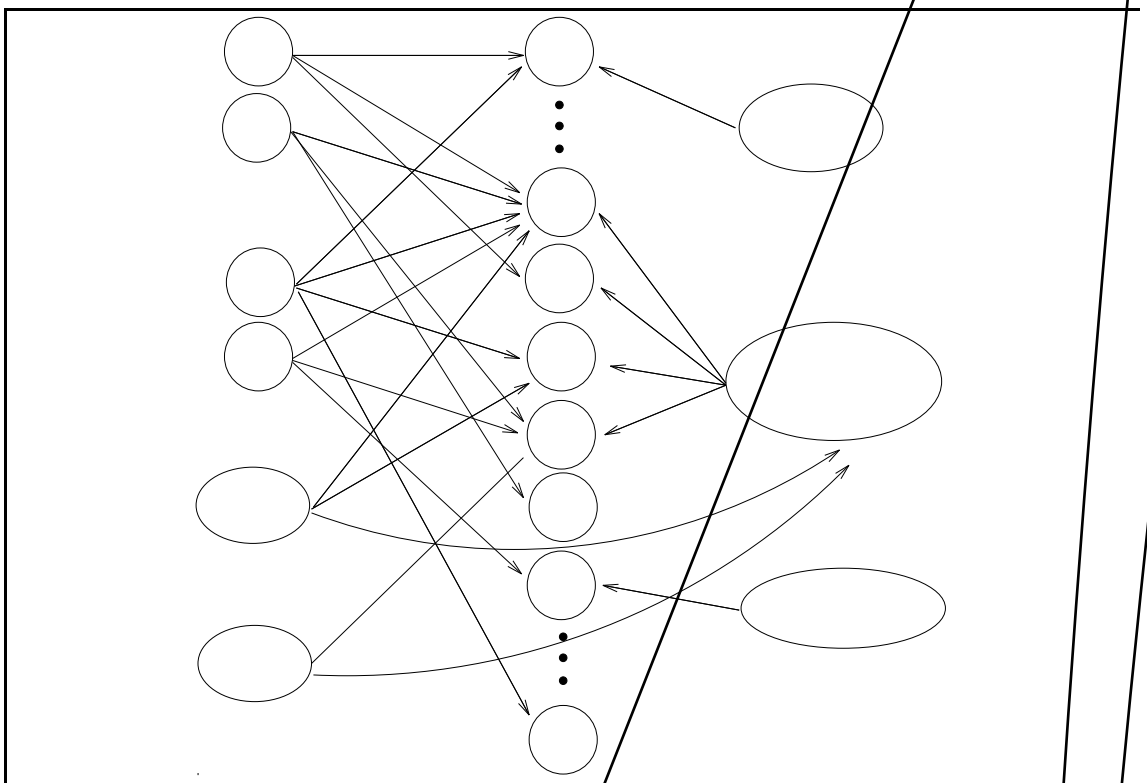
C C C C C C





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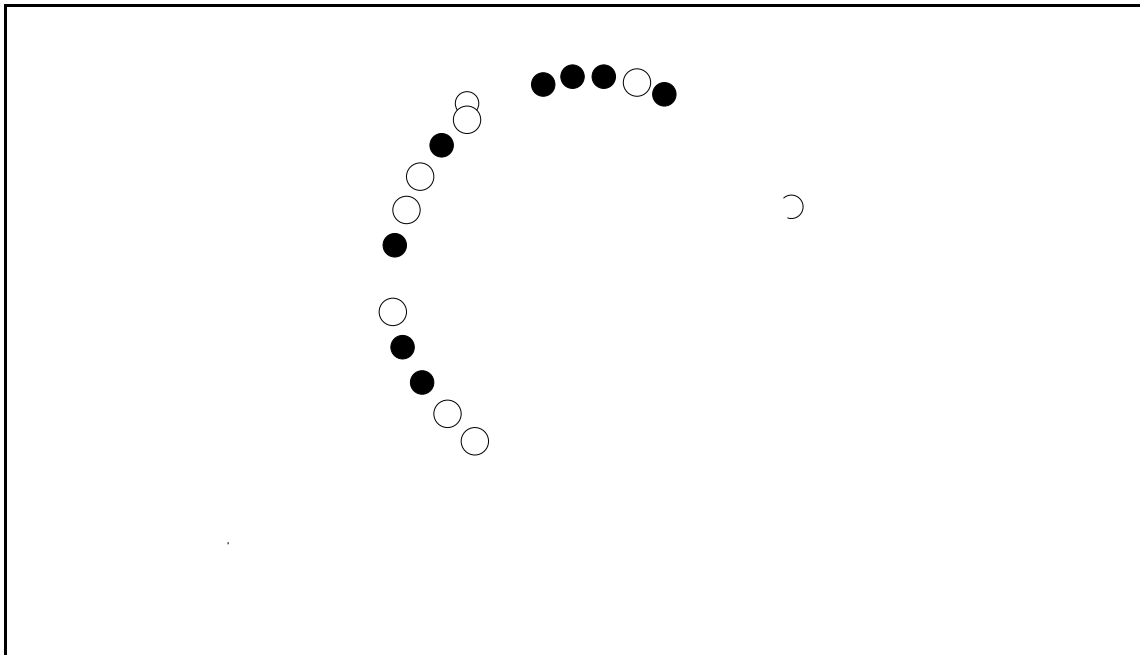

Reca

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C C C

$$o_i(t+1) = \alpha \sum_j w_{ij} o_j(t) + \gamma o_i(t) + \delta f_i(0)$$

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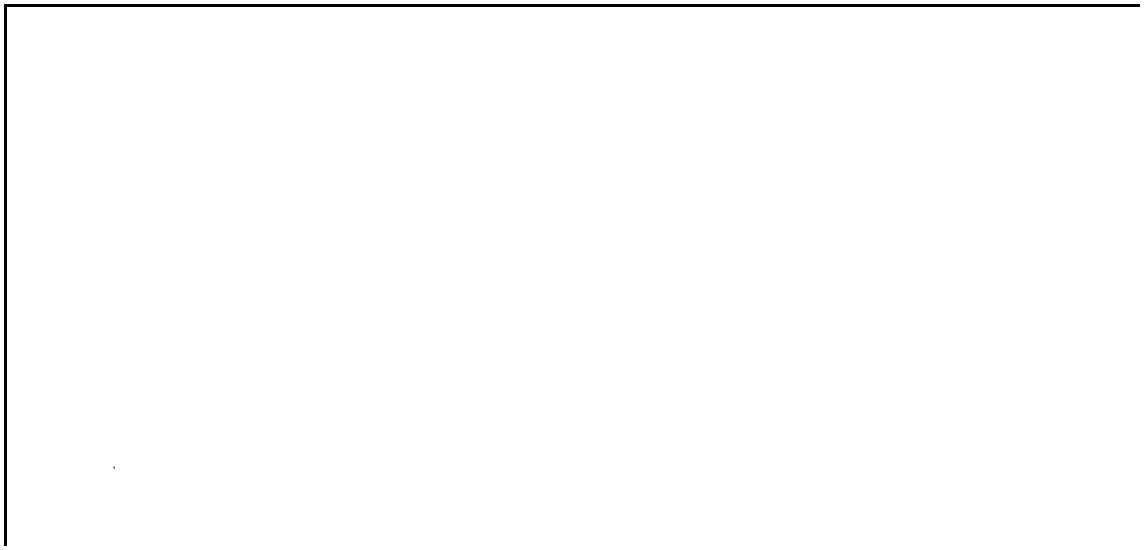

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C

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C 5

C C --

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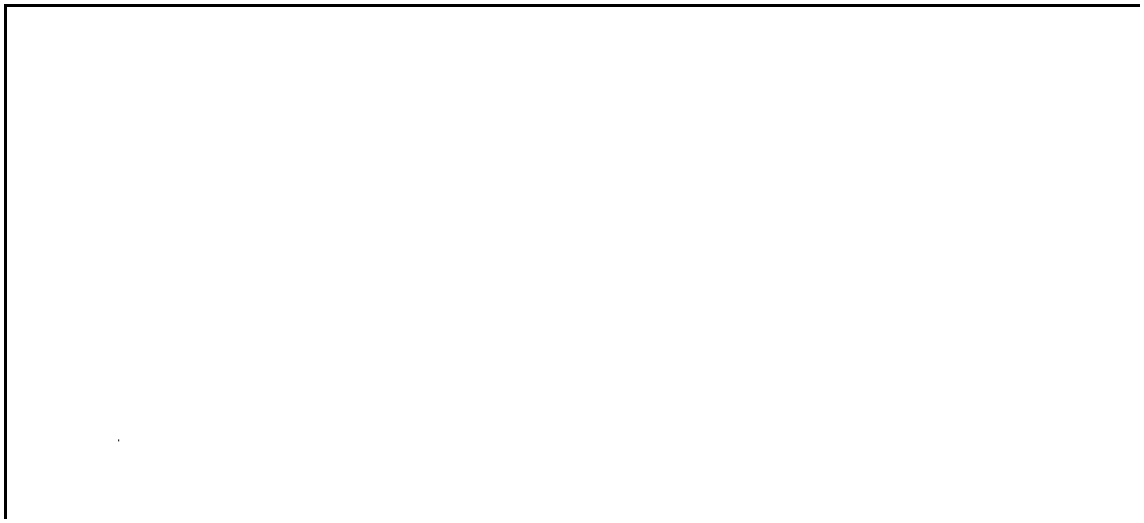

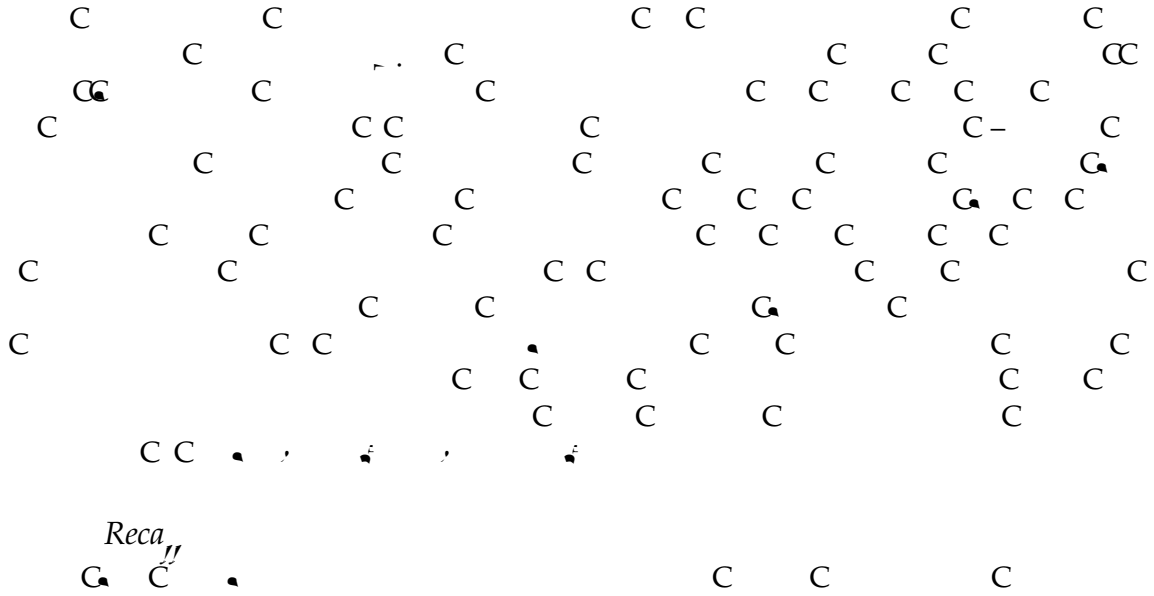

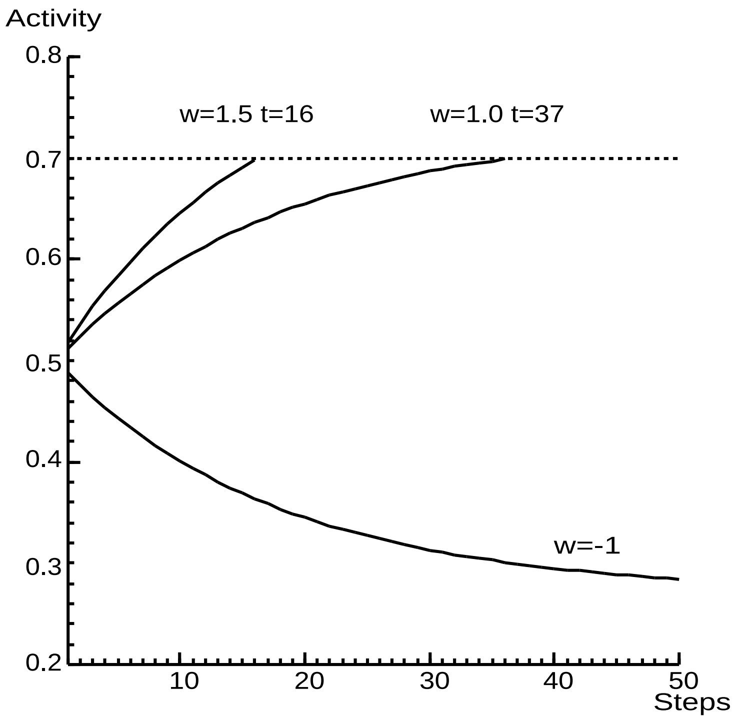

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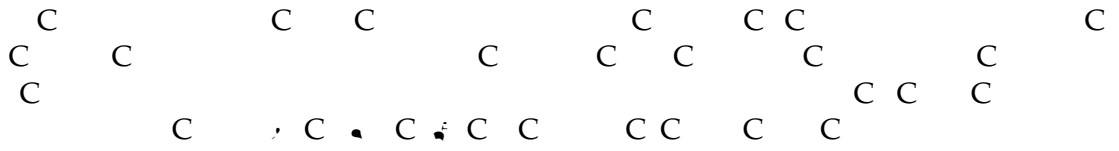
$$o_i = \frac{a_i}{\sum_j a_j}$$

i j



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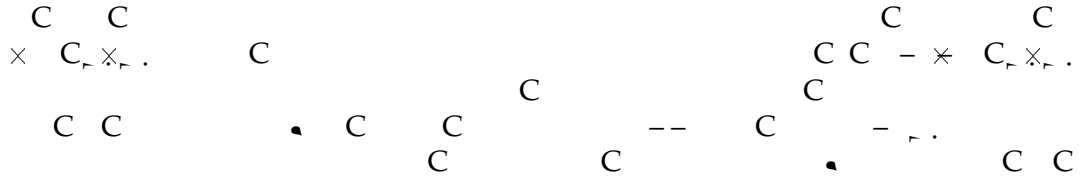

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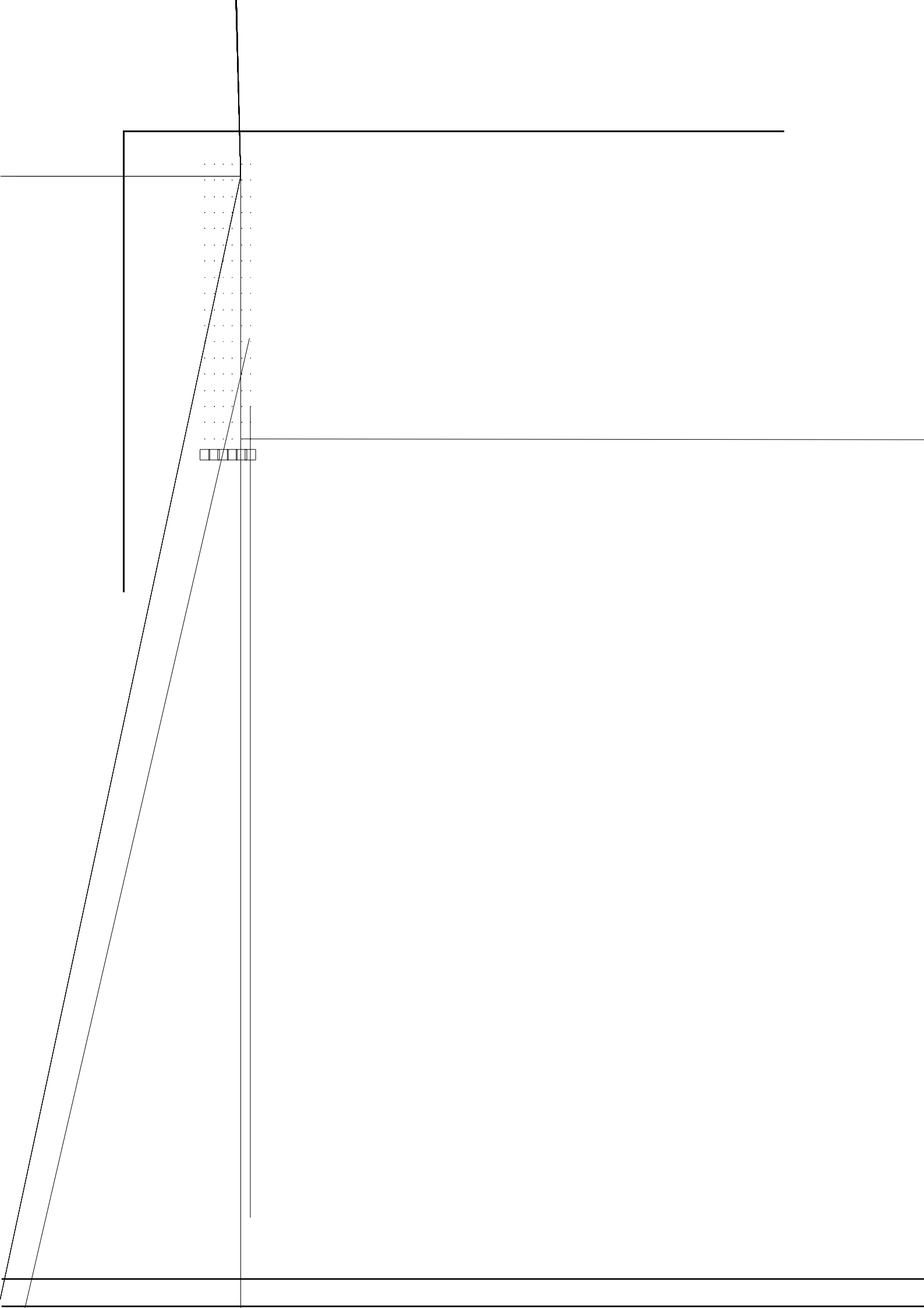
C C C C C
C C C C C

3.2 Simulations for 2×2 to 9×9



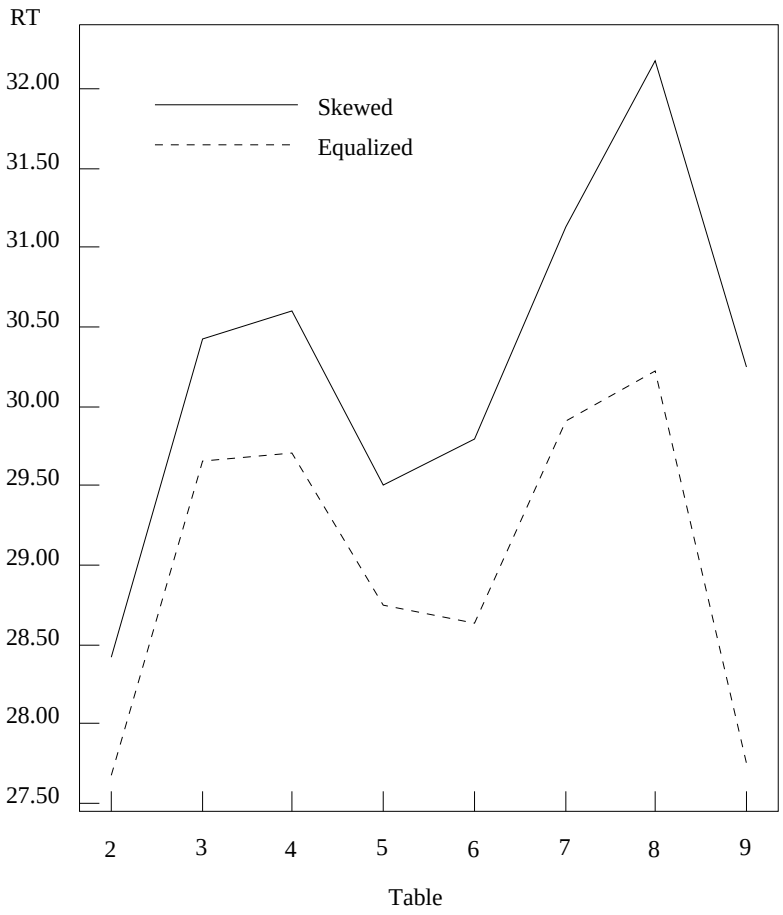


Figure C C C C C
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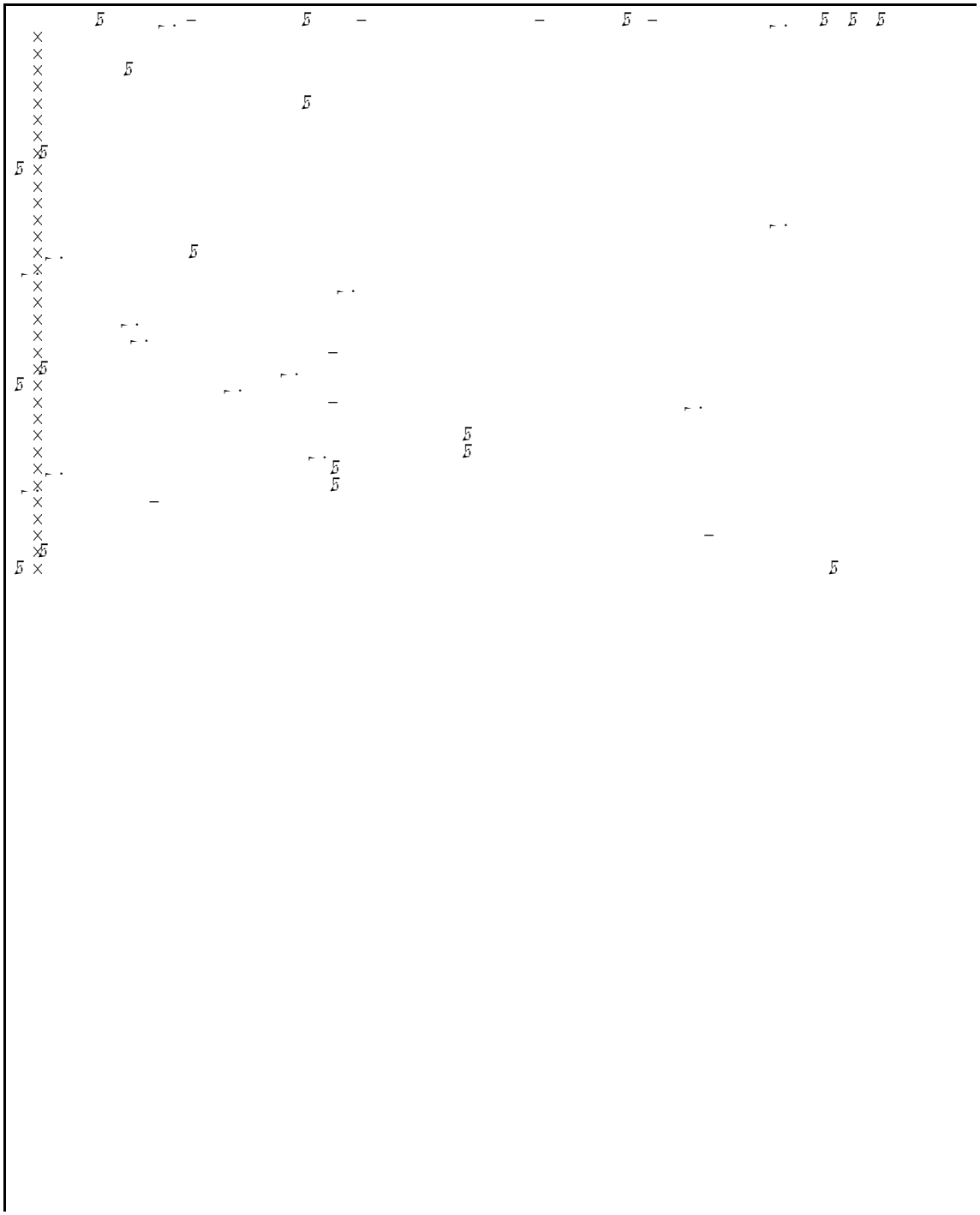
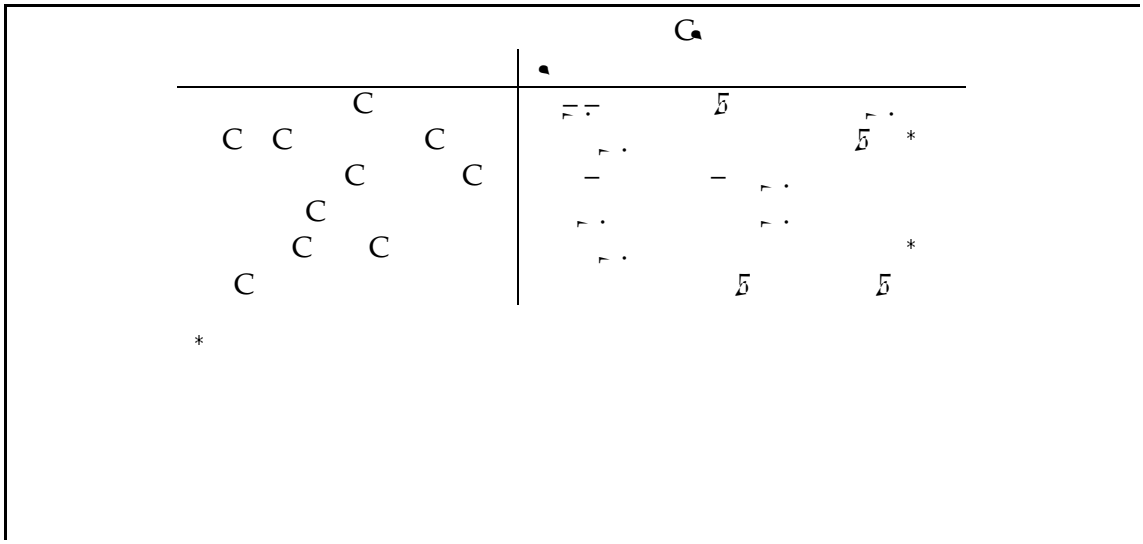
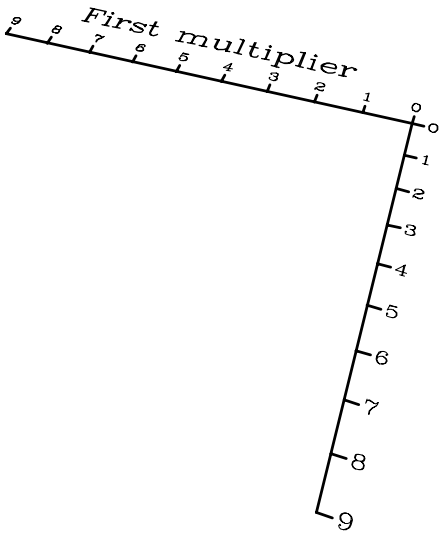
C C C C



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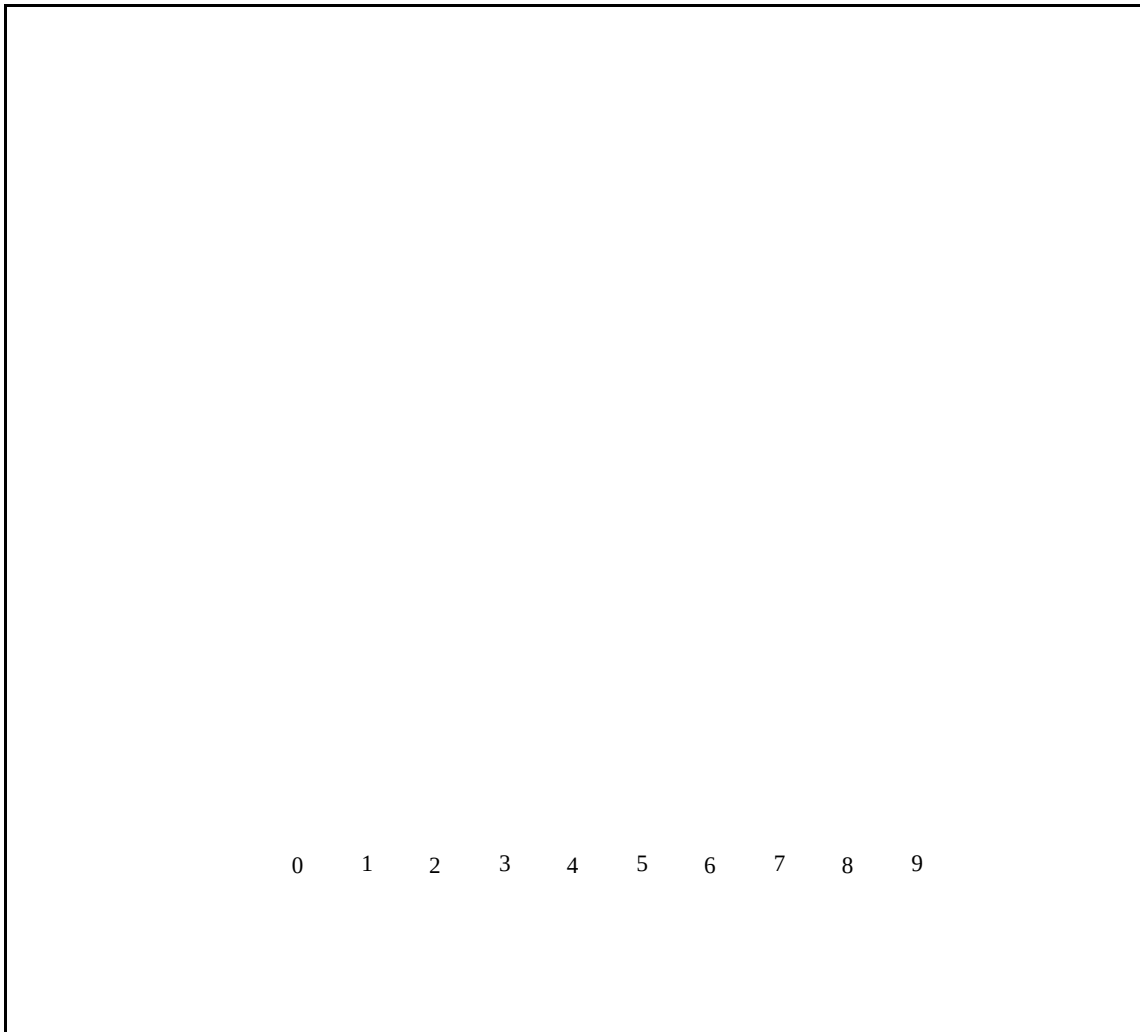
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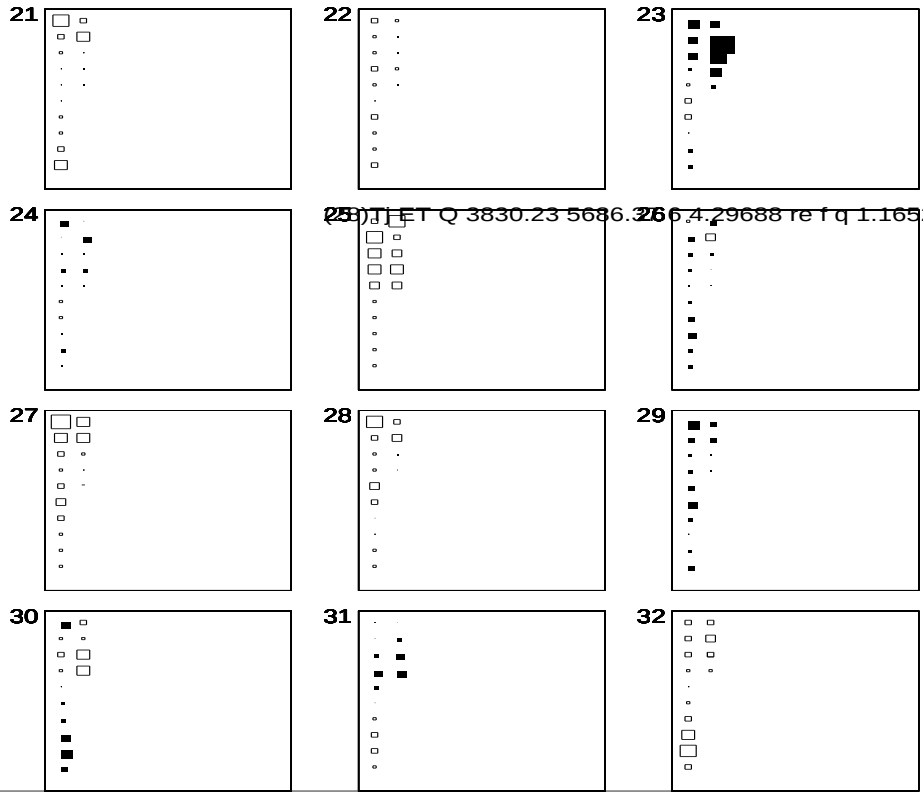

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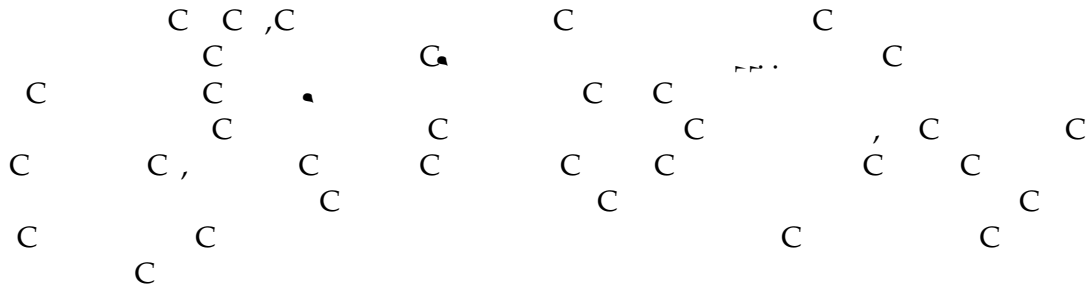

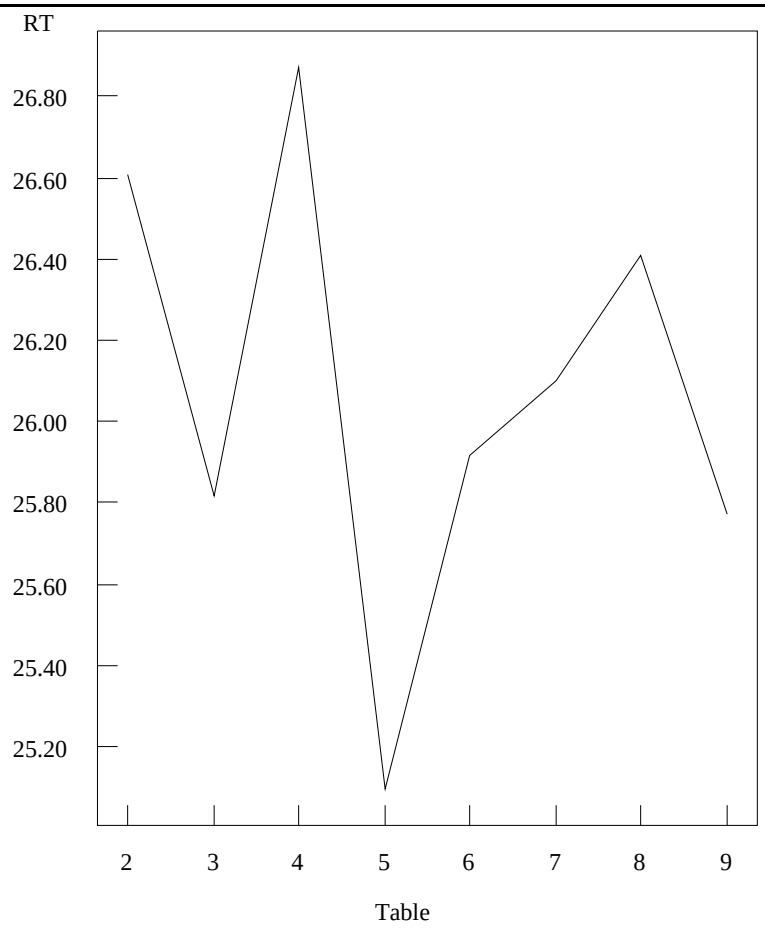

Figure C C C – G C

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C C– C – – C C C
× C C

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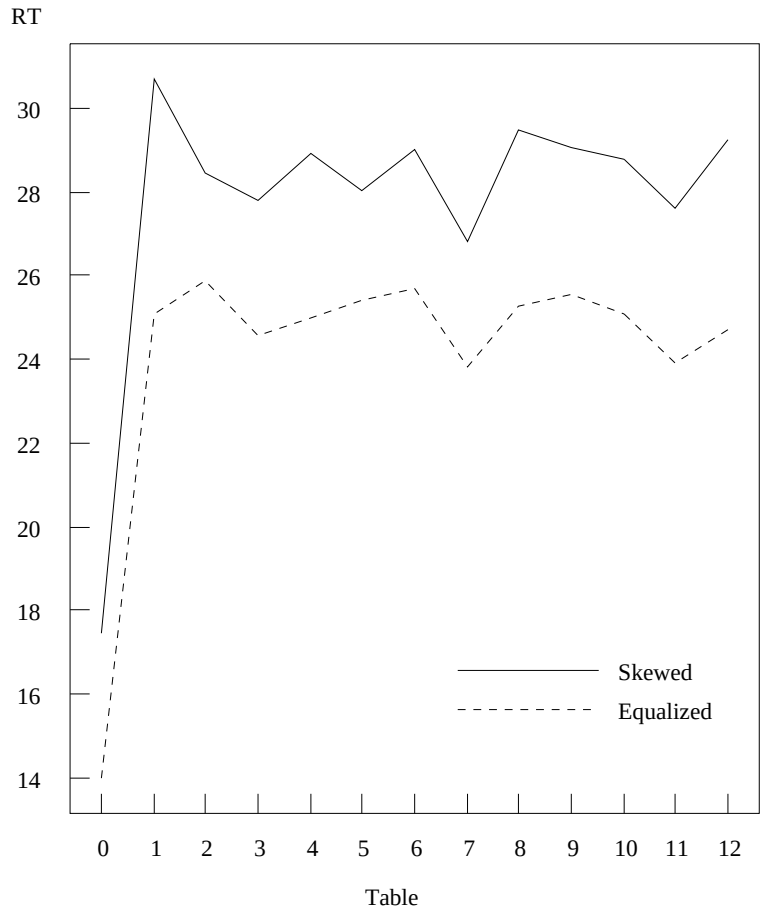

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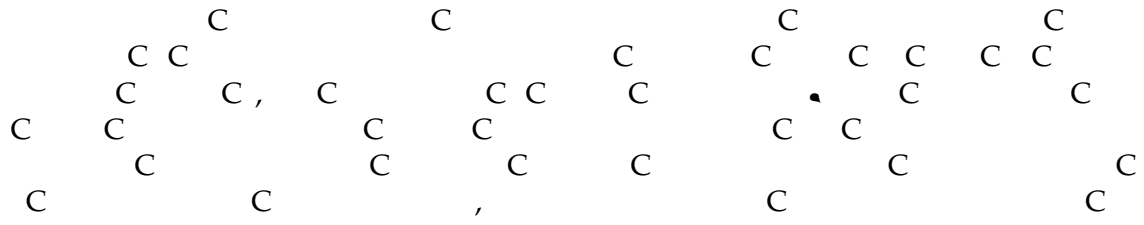

Choice of output representation

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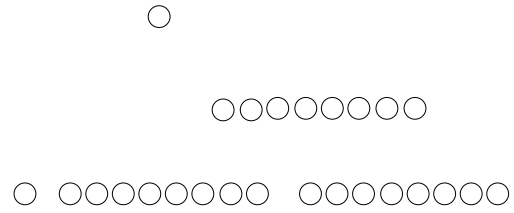

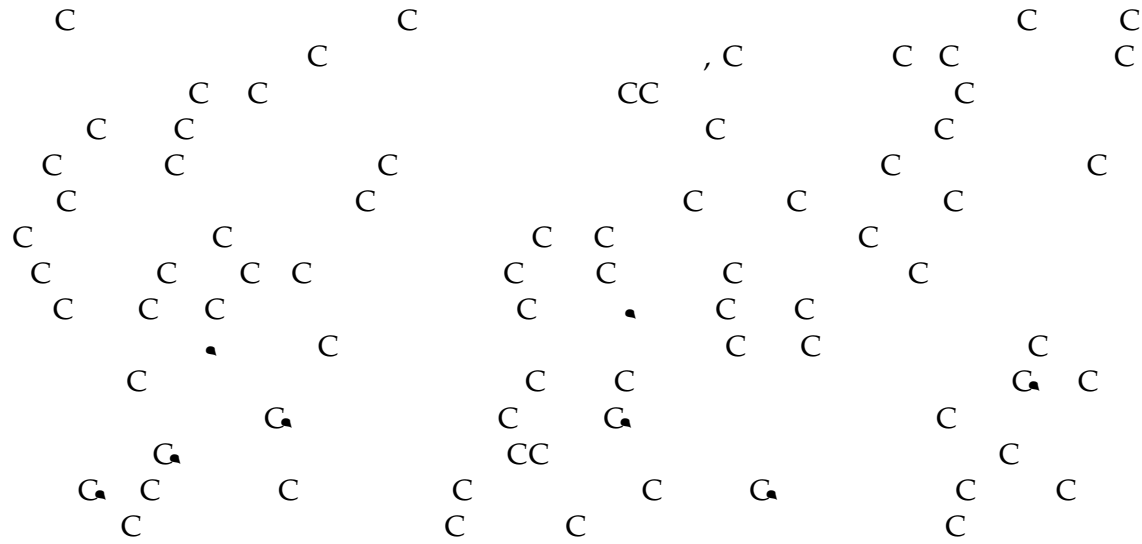


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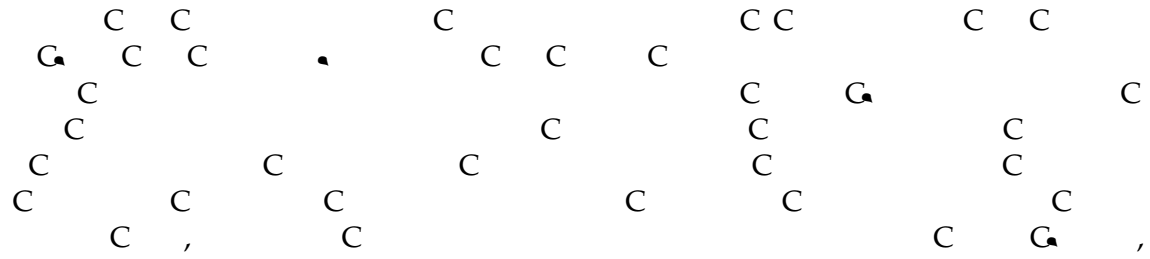

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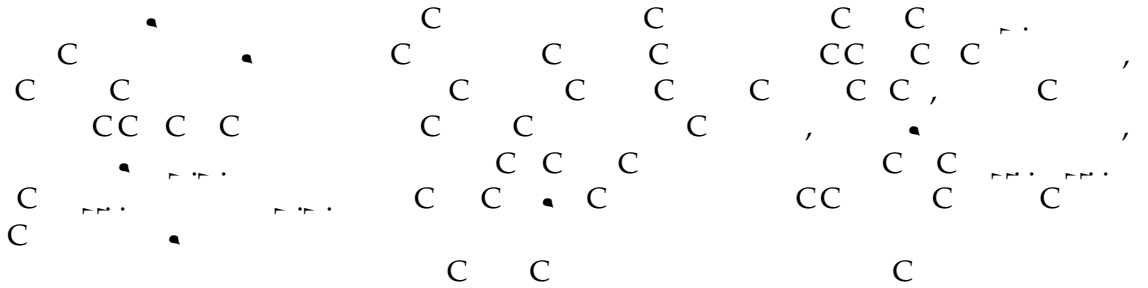

	Conditions		*Actions*
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SM:	[t ?t] [b ?b] [c ?c]	⇒	do_calc();
NX:	[next_top]	⇒	[processmult] shift_top_left();
WM:	[result ?u] [carry ?c]	⇒	writedown(); [next_top]
CC:	[no_more_top]	⇒	checkcarry(); [checkbottom] [addzero]
CB:	[checkbottom]	⇒	check_bottom();
FI:	[none_left]	⇒	[stop]
NB:	[no_more]	⇒	endmult(); [startadd]
CO:	[startadd]	⇒	readincolumn();
DA:	[column ?len ?dig]	⇒	do_add();
ML:	[next_left]	⇒	[startadd] moveleft();
WA:	[u ?u] [c ?c]	⇒	writeadd(); [next_left]
CA:	[no_more_digits]	⇒	checkadd();
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4.2 Models

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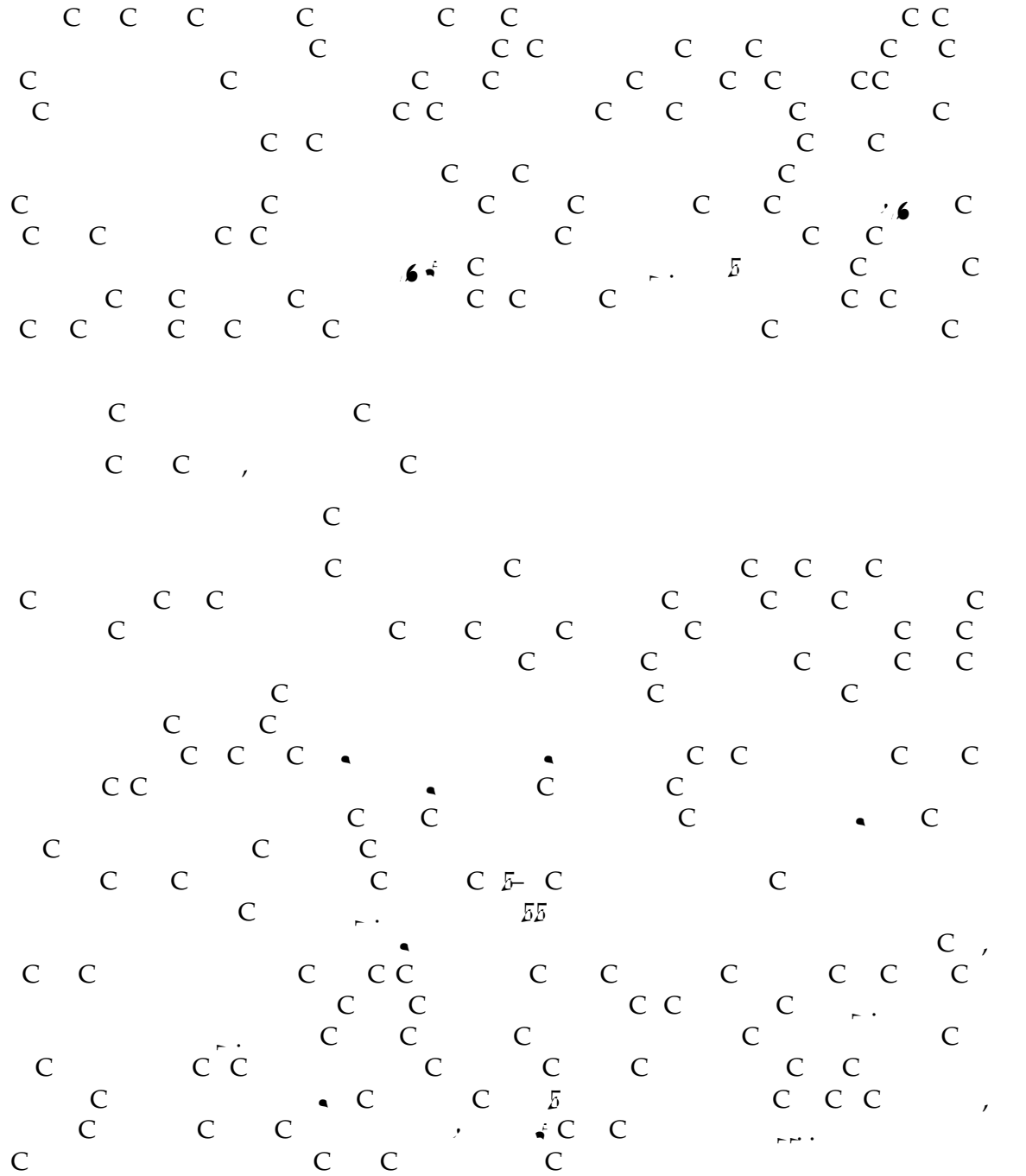

Learning by induction

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(Problem 1)                        Object    is a subtraction probʻe
(Column 2) (Column 3)              Objects        are coʻu   ns
(Part 1 2) (Part 1 3)              The coʻu   ns are part of the probʻe
(First 1 3)                        Object    is the ʻeft   ost object
(Adjacent 1 2 3)                   The coʻu   ns are adjacent
(Cell 4) (Cell 5) (Cell 6)         Objects       are ceʻʻs
(Digit 4) (Digit 5)                Objects   and   are digits
(Blank 6)                          Object    is a bʻan   ceʻʻ

Sub1Col(C) OR
1. [And (Digit T) (Part-of T C) (First T C)
        (Digit B) (Part-of B C) (Middle B C)
        (Ordered C T B) (Adjacent C T B)
        (Value-of TV T) (Value-of BV B) (LessThan TV BV)
   ->   (Borrow C)

2. [And (Digit T) (Part-of T C) (First T C)
        (Digit B) (Part-of B C) (Middle B C)
        (Ordered C T B) (Adjacent C TB)
        (Value-of TV T) (Value-of BV B)
        (Less-Than-or-Equal BV TV)
   ->   (Diff C)

Diff(c) AND
1. [And (Digit T) (Part-of T C) (First T C)
        (Digit B) (Part-of B C) (Middle B C)
        (Cell A) (Part-of A C) (Last A C)
        (Ordered C T B) (Adjacent C T B) (Ordered C BA)
        (Value-of TV T) (Value-of BV B)
        (AbsoluteDifference TV BV AV)
   ->   (Write AV A)
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C C *repairs*

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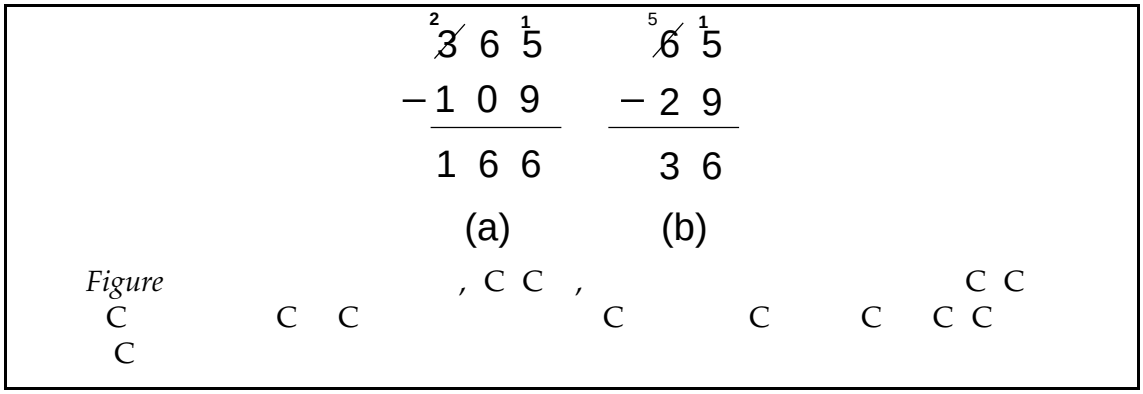

Figure

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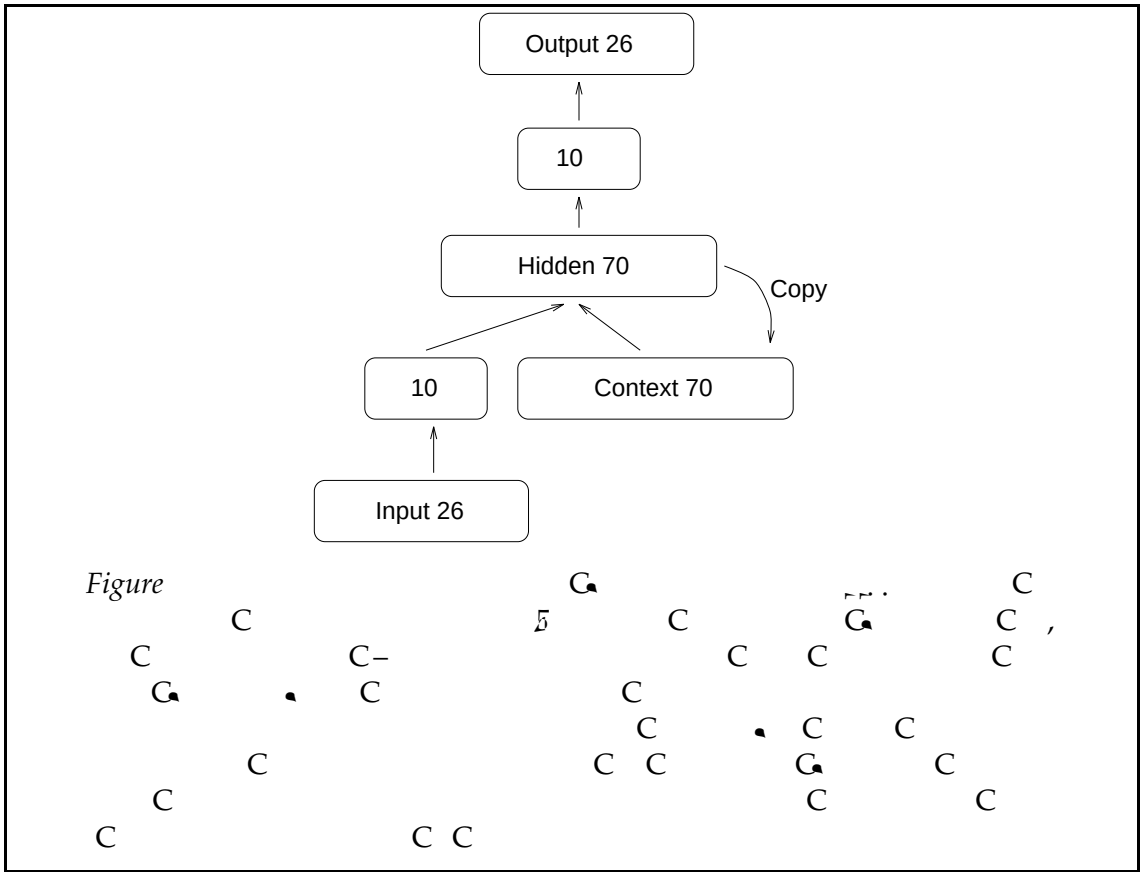

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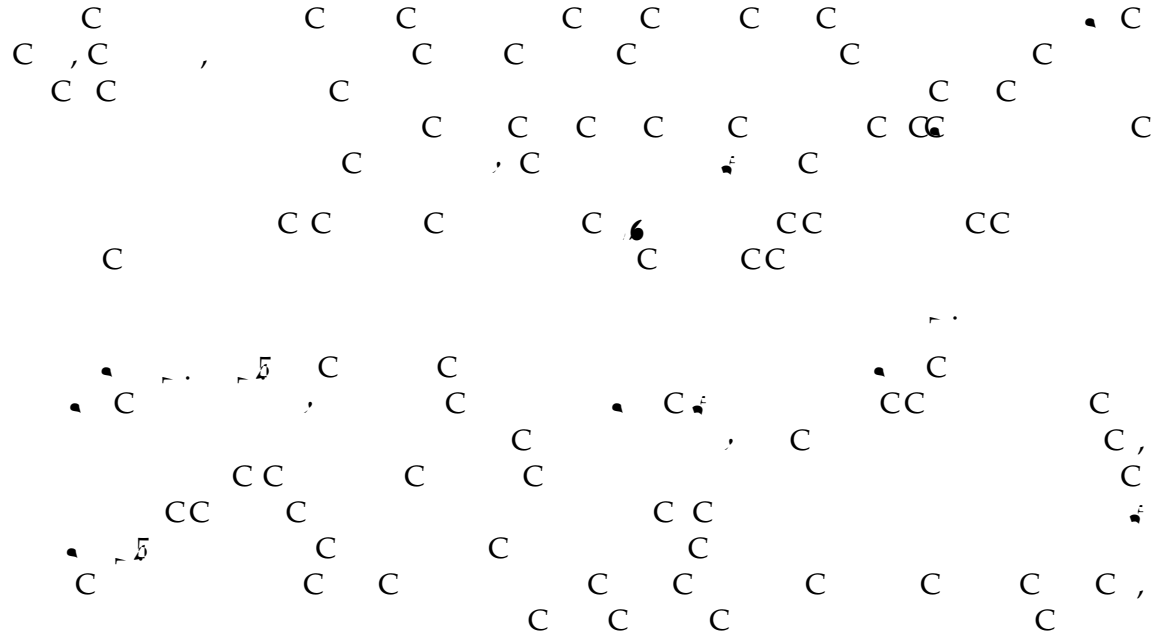

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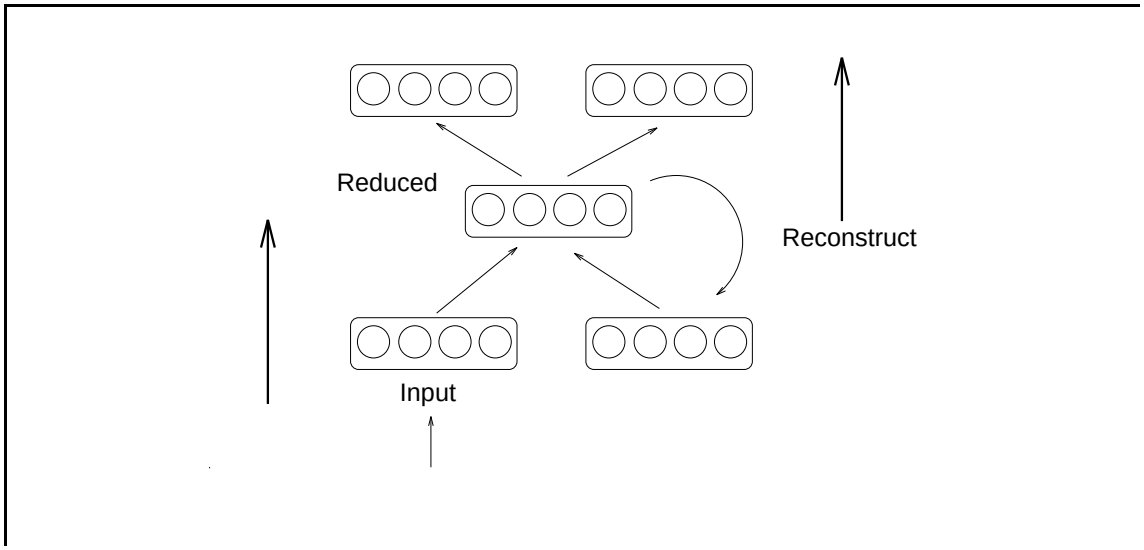
Reduced
Reconstruct
Input

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, C C , C C C C
C C C C C
C C C C C C
C C C
C C C C C C C C C
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C C C , , ,
C C C C

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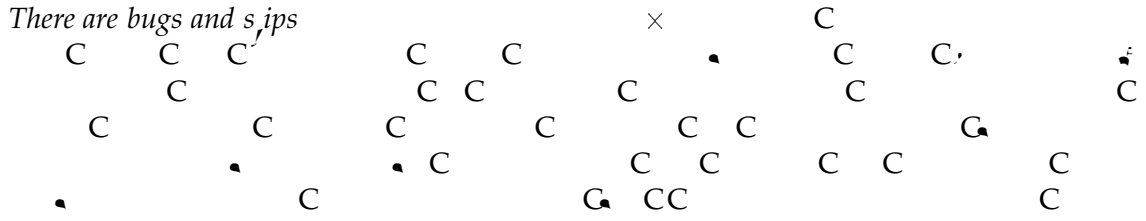
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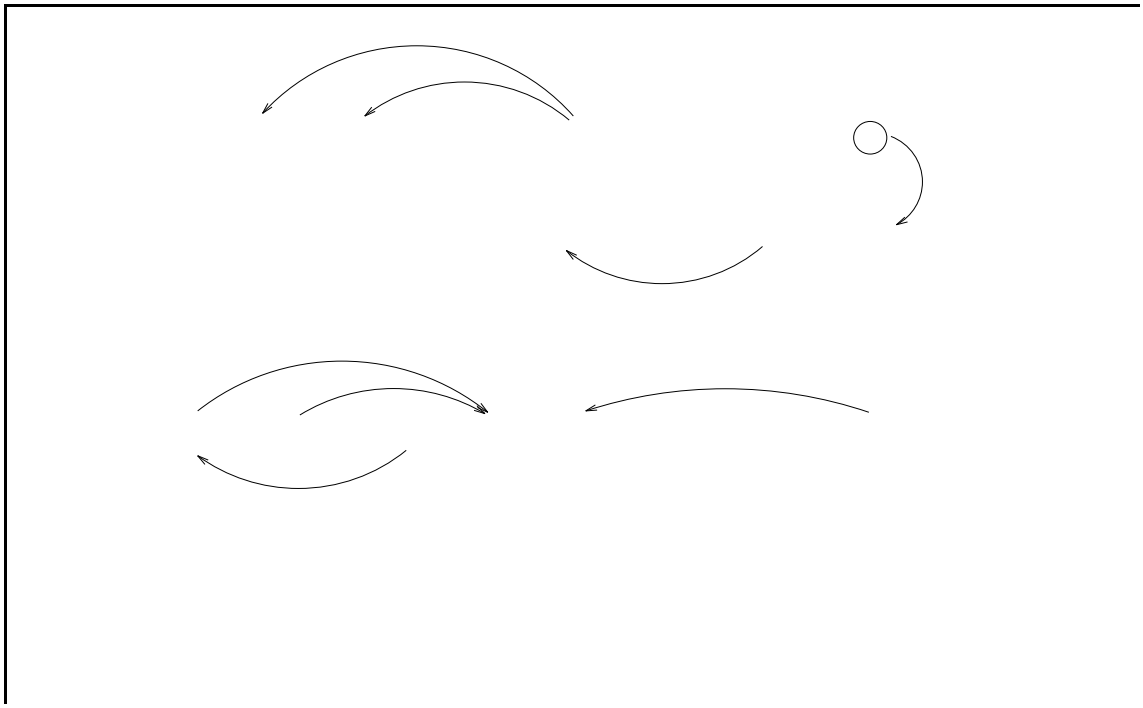

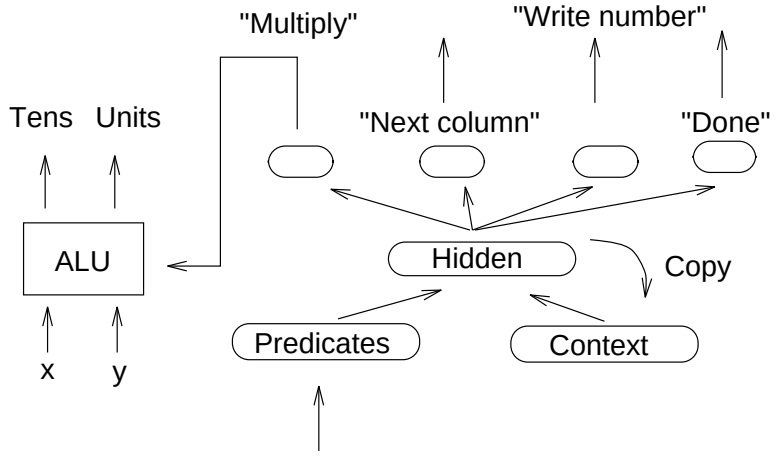
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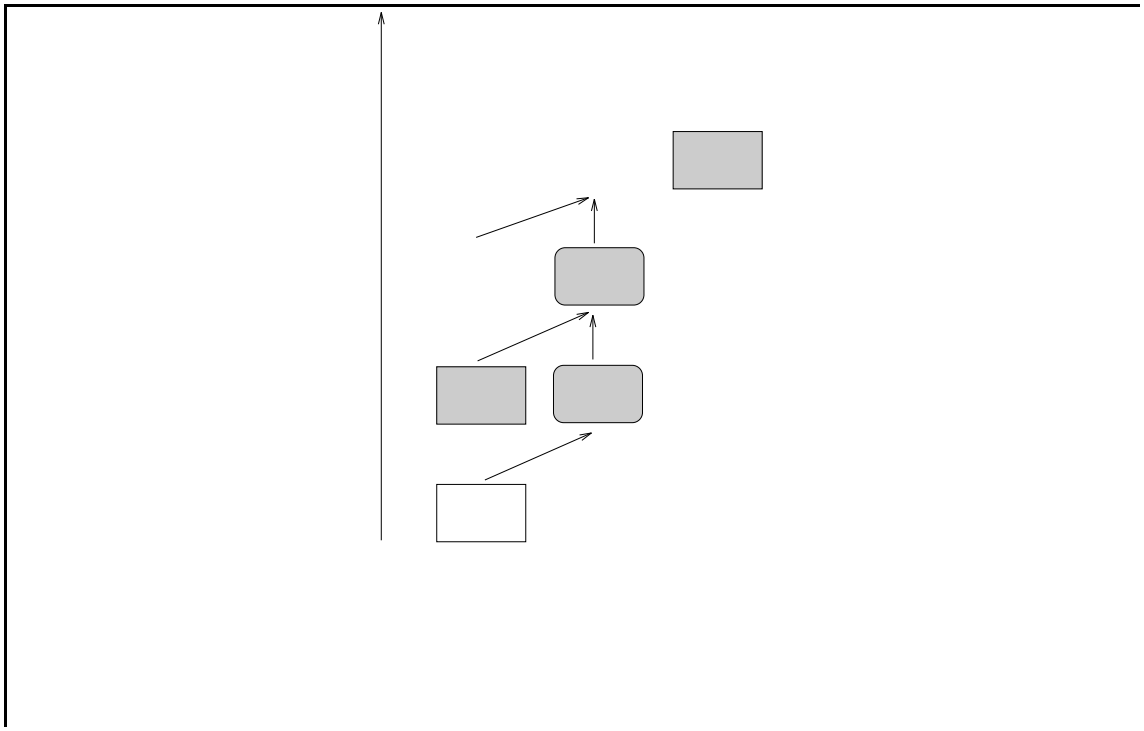

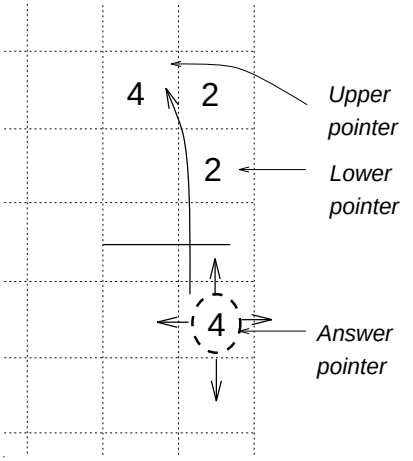

Figure C C

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ump_answer_space (JAS)	zero_accumulator (ZAC)
ump_top_row (JTR)	next_answer_row (NAR)
left (LFT)	next_bottom_column (NBC)
right (RHT)	inc_answer_column (IAC)
up (UP_)	inc_top_column (ITC)
down (DWN)	add_start_position (SAD)
read_carry (RDC)	start_multiplication (SMU)

write_units (UNI)	add_mark_to_accumulator (ADD)
write_tens (TEN)	compute_product (MUL)
mark_zero (MKZ)	draw_rule (RUL)
mark_carry (MKC)	done (DON)

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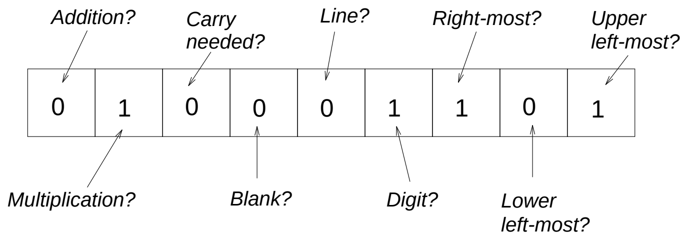
add_start_position

start_multiplication

mark_carry



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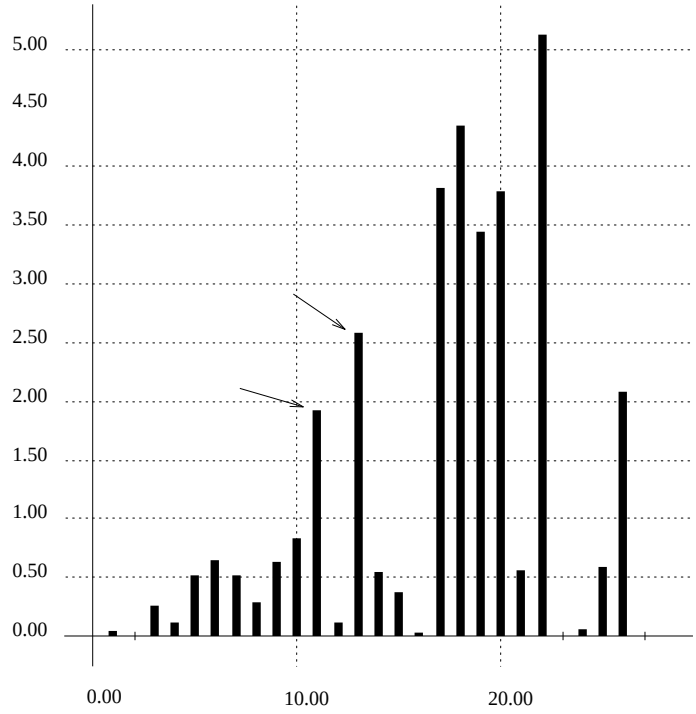
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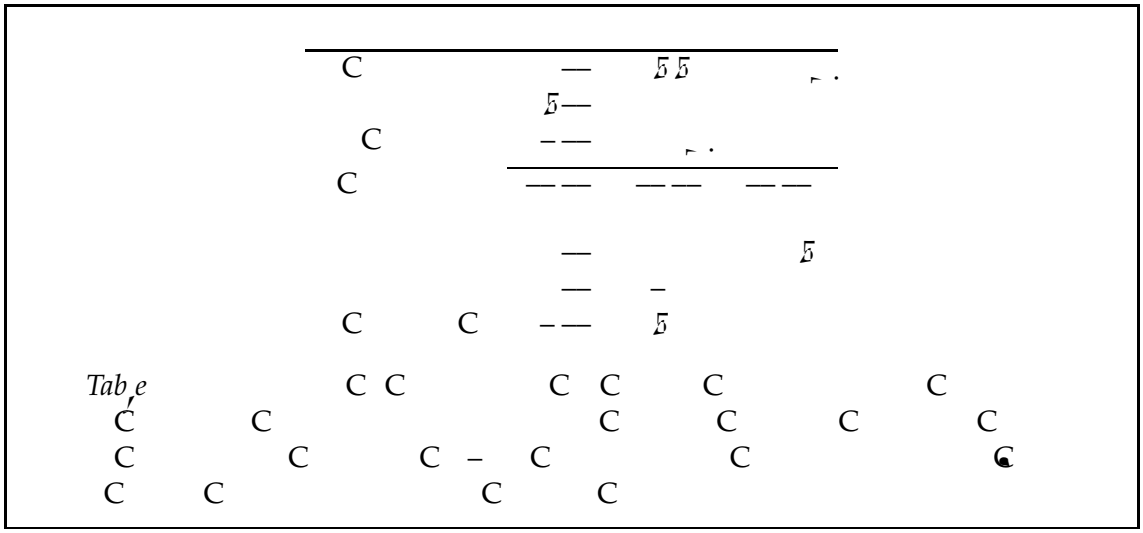

Correct behaviour

Star bugs

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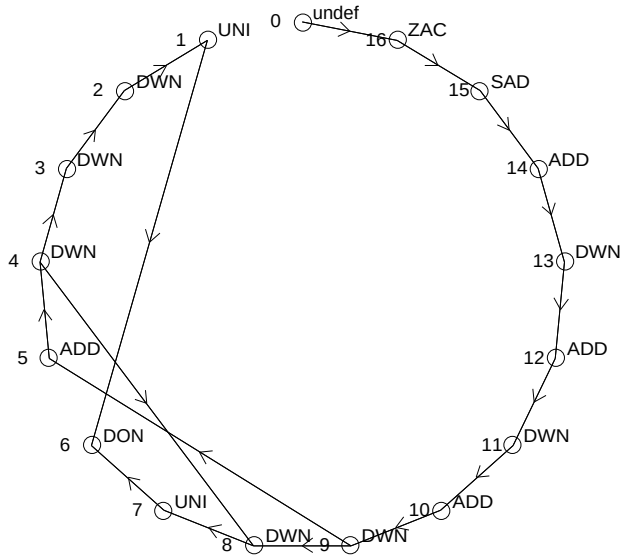

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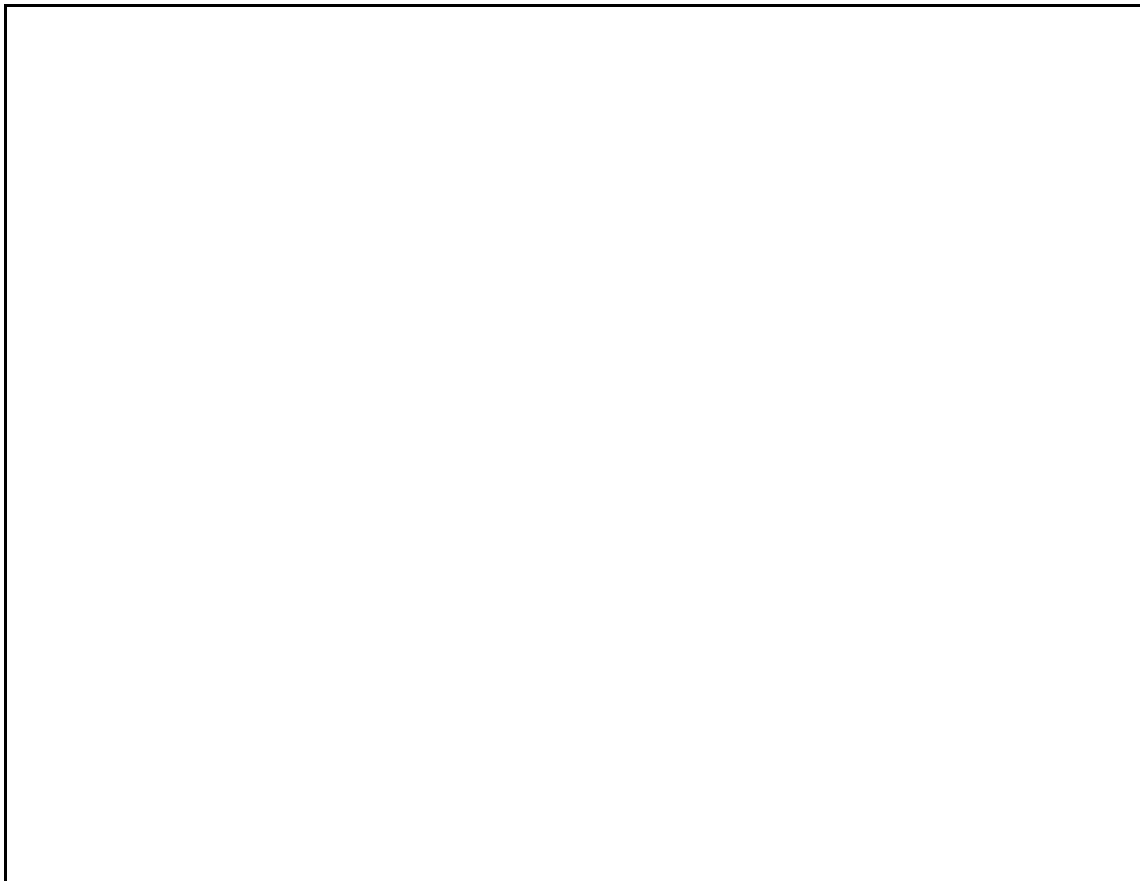

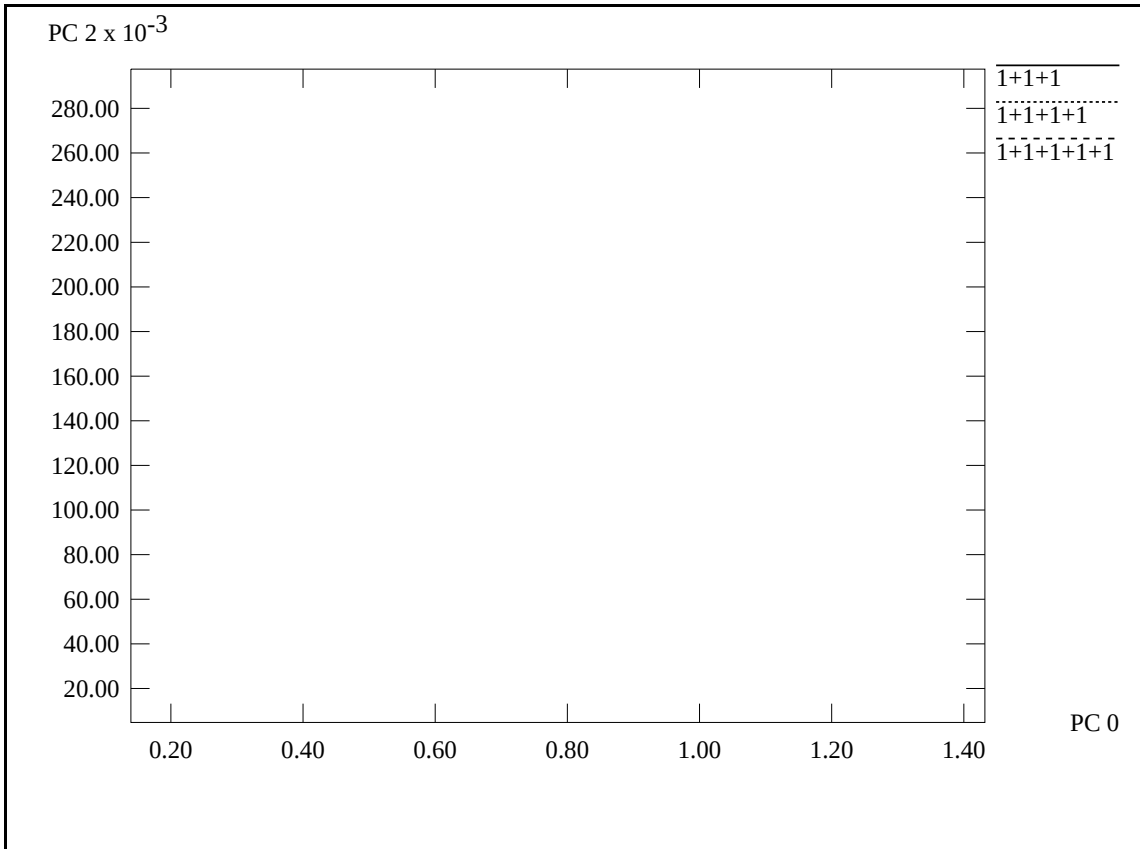
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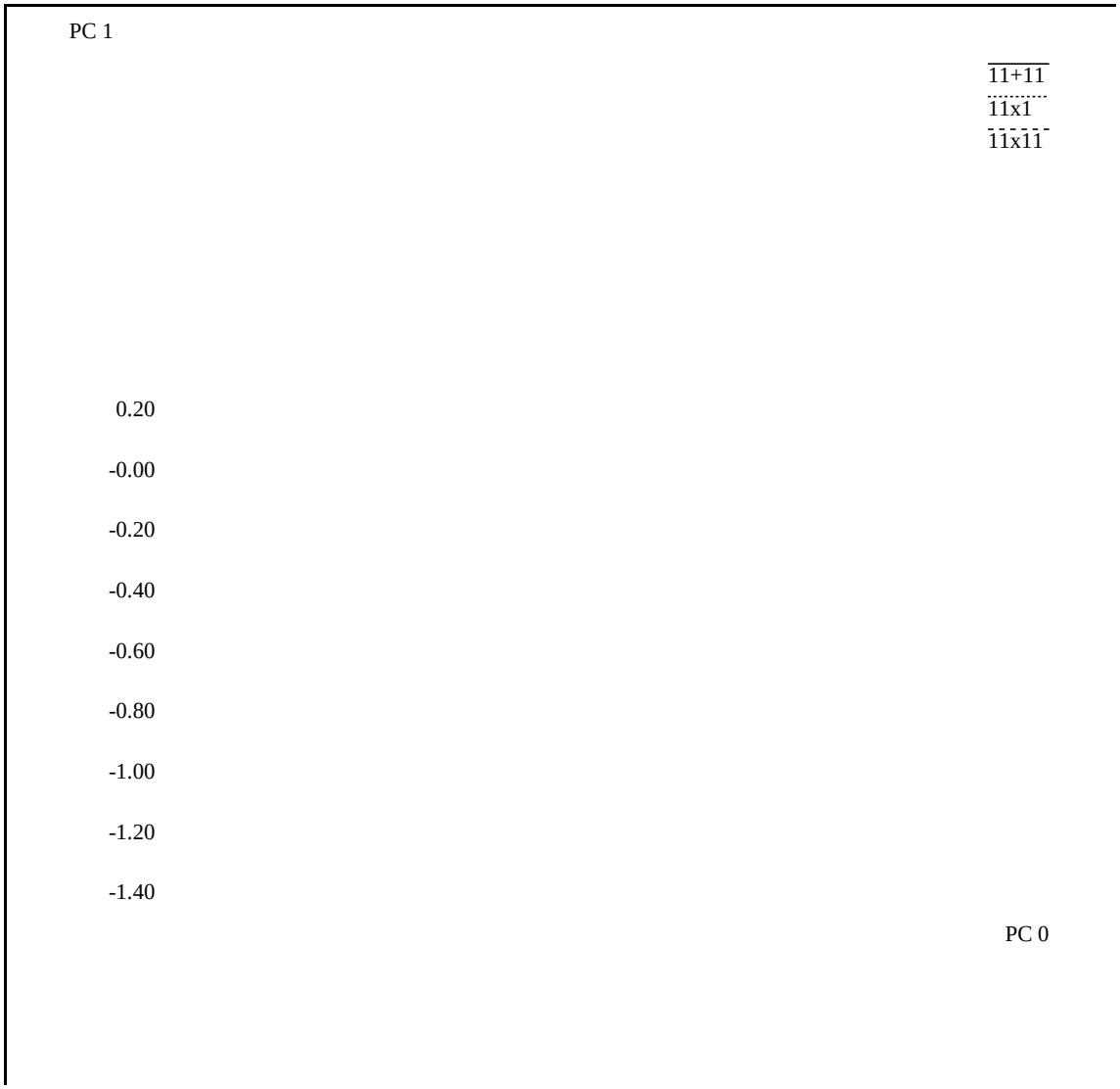
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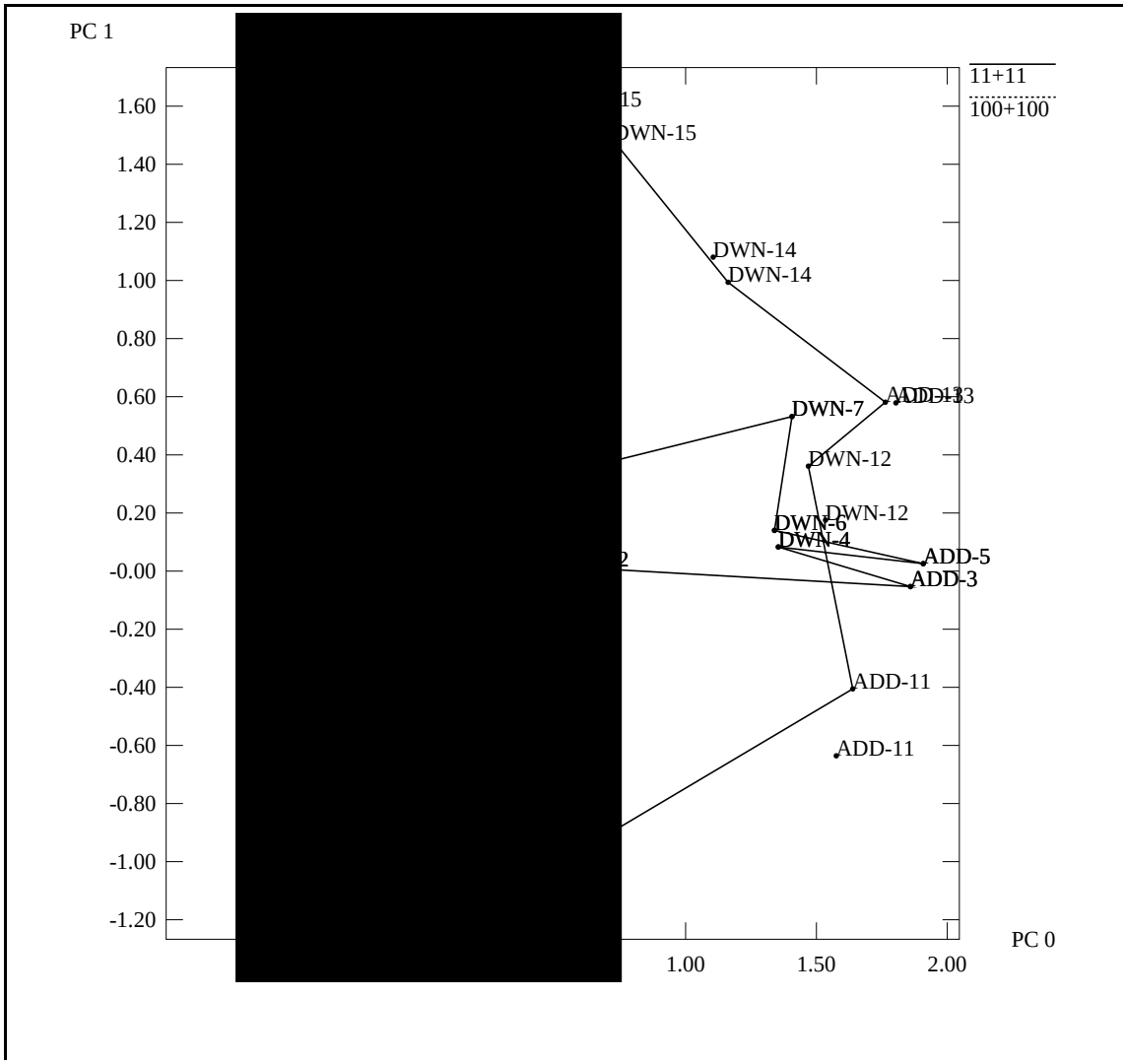
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Bug igration as noise

$$\text{net}_i = \sum_j (a_j w_{ij} + h(\frac{w_{ij}}{30}))$$

$h(n)$ $\pm n$

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  1 1 1
× 1   1
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    1 1
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  1 1 1          1 1 1
×     1        ×     1
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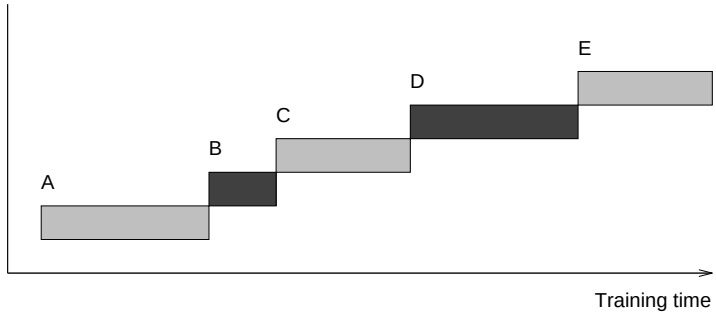

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5.7 Summary

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6.1 Memory for arithmetic facts

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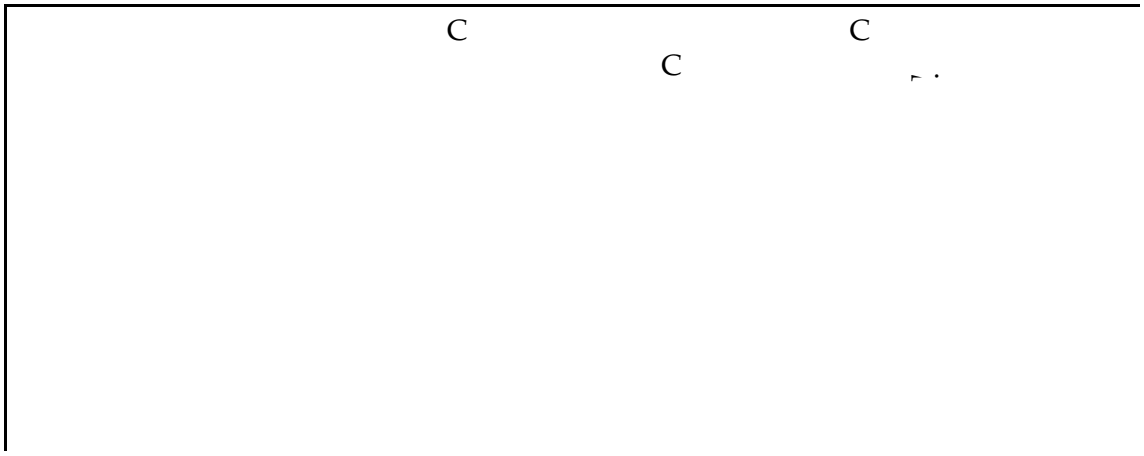
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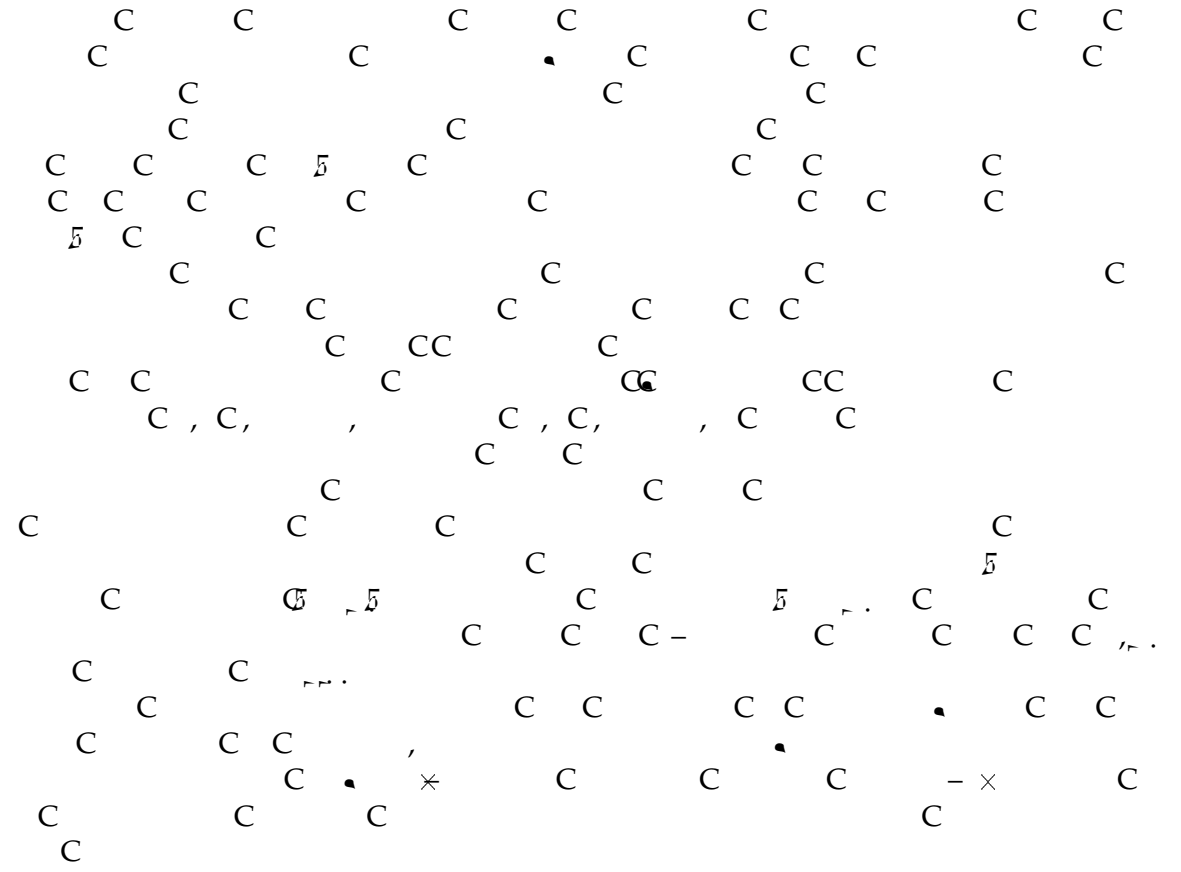

Addition bugs

Added-imaginary-column.

5 .

```
  4 6
+   3
-----
  7 9
```

Carries-one-to-100s. C C C
C C

```
  5 0 5
+   7 4
-------
  6 7 9
```

C – 5

Carries-one-to-10s. C C C

```
  4 6
+   3
-----
  5 9
```

C

Carries-ten. C –

```
  2 5
+ 1 7
-----
1 3 2
```

Carries-two. C C

```
  2 7 1
+ 4 1 2
-------
  8 0
```

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Column-skipped. C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 3\ 7\ 5 \\ +\ 2\ 1\ 2 \\ \hline 5\quad 7 \end{array}$$

Does-not-raise-carry. C C C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 7\ 8 \\ +\ 7\ 1 \\ \hline {\scriptstyle 1}\ 4\ 9 \end{array}$$

Does-not-record-100s. C C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 5\ 0\ 5 \\ +\ \ 7\ 4 \\ \hline 0\ 7\ 9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\ 7\ 6 \\ +\ \ 1\ 7 \\ \hline 9_1\ 3 \end{array}$$

C

Does-not-rename-copy-100s. C C C C C C C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 2\ 0\ 5 \\ +\ \ 8\ 6 \\ \hline 2\ 1\ 1 \end{array}$$

Does-not-rename-quits-100s. C C C C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 2\ 0\ 5 \\ +\ \ 8\ 6 \\ \hline 8\ 1\ 1 \end{array}$$

Does-not-rename-sum. C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\ 8 \\ +\ \ 3 \\ \hline 4\ 1\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2\ 8 \\ \times\ 1\ 7 \\ \hline 1_1\ 9_5\ 6 \\ +\ 2\ 8\ 0 \\ \hline 3\ 1\ 7\ 6 \end{array}$$

C

Ignores-10s-column. C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\ 8 \\ +\ \ 3 \\ \hline 1\ 1 \end{array}$$

Ignores-first-column. C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 3\ 2\ 5 \\ +\ 2\ 7\ 1 \\ \hline 5\ 9 \end{array}$$

Left-alignment. C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 5\ 4 \\ +\ 3 \\ \hline 8\ 4 \end{array}$$

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Mu,tip,ication Bugs

0×N=0-carry-N. C C C

```
  2 0
×   3
-----
  9 0
```

Adds-carry-and-multiplicand. C
C × C

```
  5 3 6
×     8
-------
  5 7 8
```

Adds-carry-and-multiplier. C
C × − × C

```
  8 0 5
×     4
-------
3 2 6 0
```

Adds-carry-and-multiplier-when-zero. C
CC ×
× −

```
  5 0 7
×     2
-------
1 0 3 4
```

Adds-carry-to-multiplicands. C C
× ×

```
  5 3 6
×     8
-------
  9 7 8
```

Adds-carry-to-product. C C C C
× 5

```
   5 2
 × 1 3
 -----
   6 6
+5 2 0
 -----
   5 8 6
```

C

Adds-instead-of-multiplying. C C C C

```
   7 2 5
 ×     3
 -------
   7 2 8
```

C 5

Adds-multiplicand-to-answer. C C
×5

```
   7 6
 ×   3
 -----
  8 1 8
```

Adds-using-multiplication-pattern. C C

```
   3 2 0
 ×     4
 -------
   7 6 4
```

C

Always-carries.

```
 2 4 2 9
       2
 -------
 5 9 5 1 8
```

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Always-carries-one. C C C C C

```
   5 1 4
 ×     7
 -------
 3 5 8 2 8
```

Answer-on-one-row. C C C C

```
     2 3
   × 4 8
 ---------
 9 1 3 1 8 2 4
```

C 5

Answers-left-to-right. C ×. CC

```
   7 1 2
```

Carries-wrong-digit. C C C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 7\ 2\ 4 \\ \times\quad\ 6 \\ \hline 4\ 8_{6}\ 1_{4}\ 2 \end{array}$$

Carries-wrong-number. C C C C C , C , C C , ,C

Carry-added-to-multiplicand. C C ,

$$\begin{array}{r} 3\ 2\ 7 \\ \times\quad\ 6 \\ \hline 3\ 6_{3}\ 6_{4}\ 2 \end{array}$$

Carry-added-to-tens. C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 2\ 6 \\ \times\ 1\ 4 \\ \hline 2\ 8_{2}\ 4 \\ +\ 2\ 6\ 0 \\ \hline 5_{1}\ 4\ 4 \end{array}$$

Carry-not-raised. C C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\ 2 \\ \times\ 4\ 1 \\ \hline 4\ 2 \\ +_{1}6\ 8\ 0 \\ \hline 7_{1}\ 2\ 2 \end{array}$$

Carry-once-always-carry. C

$$\begin{array}{r} 1\ 1\ 2 \\ \times\quad\ 7 \\ \hline 8_{1}\ 8_{1}\ 4 \end{array}$$

Copies-after-first-column. C C C C C C , –

Copies-multiplicand. C C C C C
C

$$\begin{array}{r} 200 \\ \times \quad 4 \\ \hline 200 \end{array}$$

Does-not-carry-in-partial-product. C C
C

$$\begin{array}{rrrrr} & & 9 & 2 & 7 \\ & \times & & 7 & 3 \\ \hline & 2 & 7 & 8 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 & 8 & 9 & 0 \\ \hline 6 & 6 & 5 & 7 & 1 \end{array}$$

Does-not-carry-to-10s. C C C C

C

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ \times & & & 6 \\ \hline 1 & 2 & 6_3 & 6 \end{array}$$

Incorrect-number-of-annex-zeros. C C C CC C
C

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\ 5\ 6 \\ \times\ 2\ 5\ 1 \\ \hline 4\ 5\ 6 \\ 2\ 2\ 8\ 0\ 0 \\ 9\ 1\ 2\ 0\ 0 \end{array}$$

Last-digits-multiplied.

× × −

×

$$\begin{array}{r} 5\ 0\ 7 \\ \times\ \ 3\ 2 \\ \hline 1\ 5\ 1_1\ 4 \end{array}$$

C

Last-multiplication-skipped. C C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 3\ 2 \\ \times\ 4\ 1 \\ \hline 3\ 2 \\ +\ 8\ 0 \\ \hline 1\ 1\ 2 \end{array}$$

C

Multiplied-product-by-carry. C

Multiplies-last-multiplicand-and-writes-10. C C C C
×5 C
C

```
  3 0
×   6
1 0 1 8
```

C –

Multiplies-multiplicands. C C ,
× ×

```
  2 4
× 3 1
  8 4
```

C

Multiplies-partial-product. C C
, , C ,

```
  3 2
× 2 1
  3 2
6 4 0
7 2 0
```

C 5

Multiplies-using-addition-pattern. C

```
  5 2 4
× 7 3 1
3 5 6 4
```

C

× − × C C C

C C

$$\begin{array}{r} 1\ 4\ 4 \\ 2\ 5 \\ \hline 3_1\ 0_2\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5\ 1\ 2 \\ \times\quad 2\ 5 \\ \hline 5\ 1\ 2 \end{array}$$

Skips-zero-multiplicand. C C C
C
C ×. × –

```
  8 0 9
×   5 2
-------
4 0 1 8
```

Spurious-zero-in-100s. C C C C C
C –

```
    9 0 5
  ×   4 6
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5 4 0 3 0
3 6 0 2 0
```

Subtracts-partial-product. C
C C
C –

```
    5 3
  × 7 4
-------
  2 1 2
3 7 1 0
-------
3 5 0 2
```

Too-many-annex-zeros.