

# Blackbox Observability of Features and Feature Interactions



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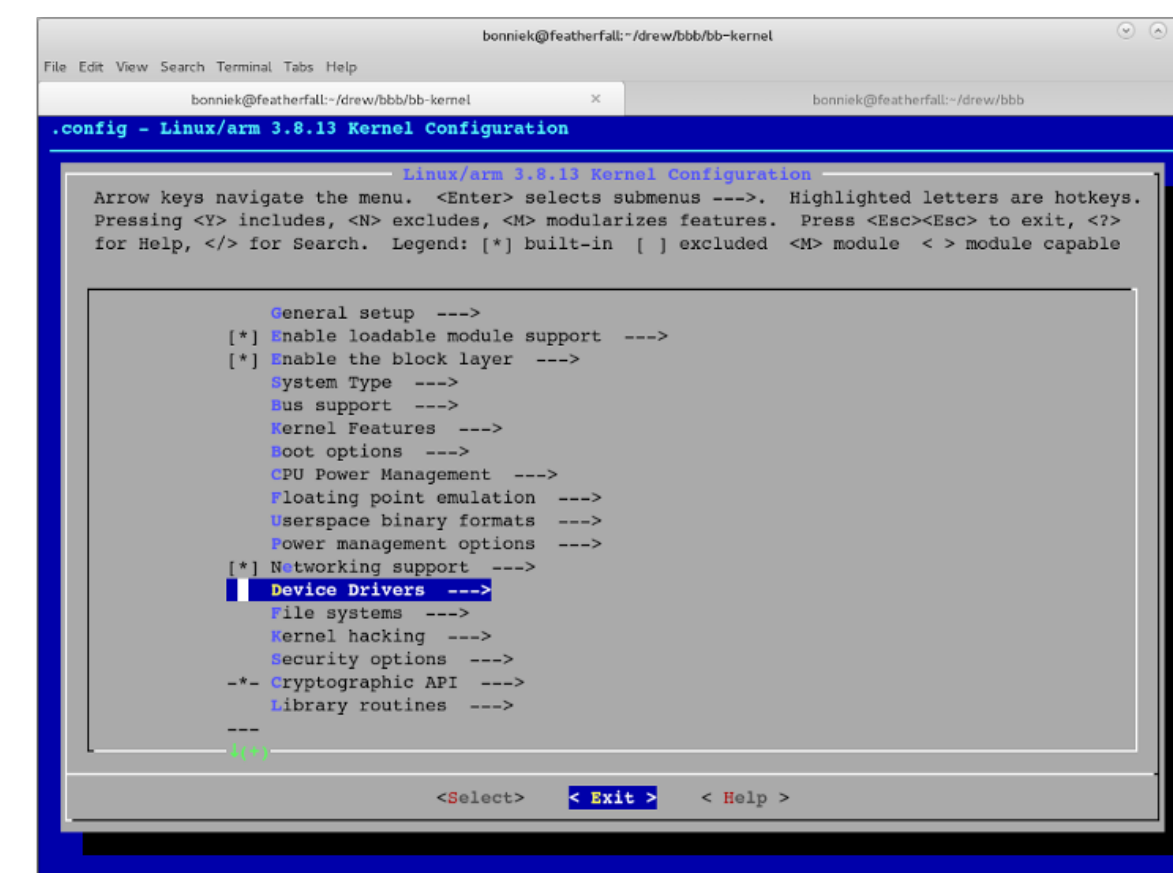
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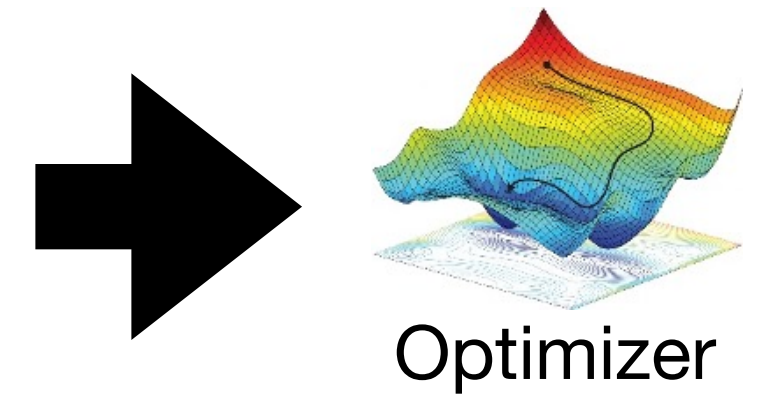
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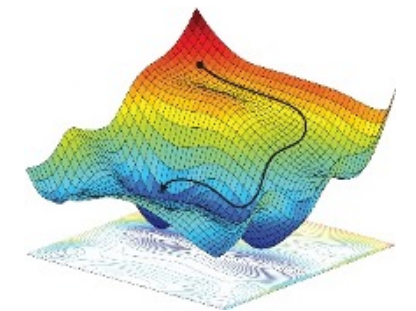
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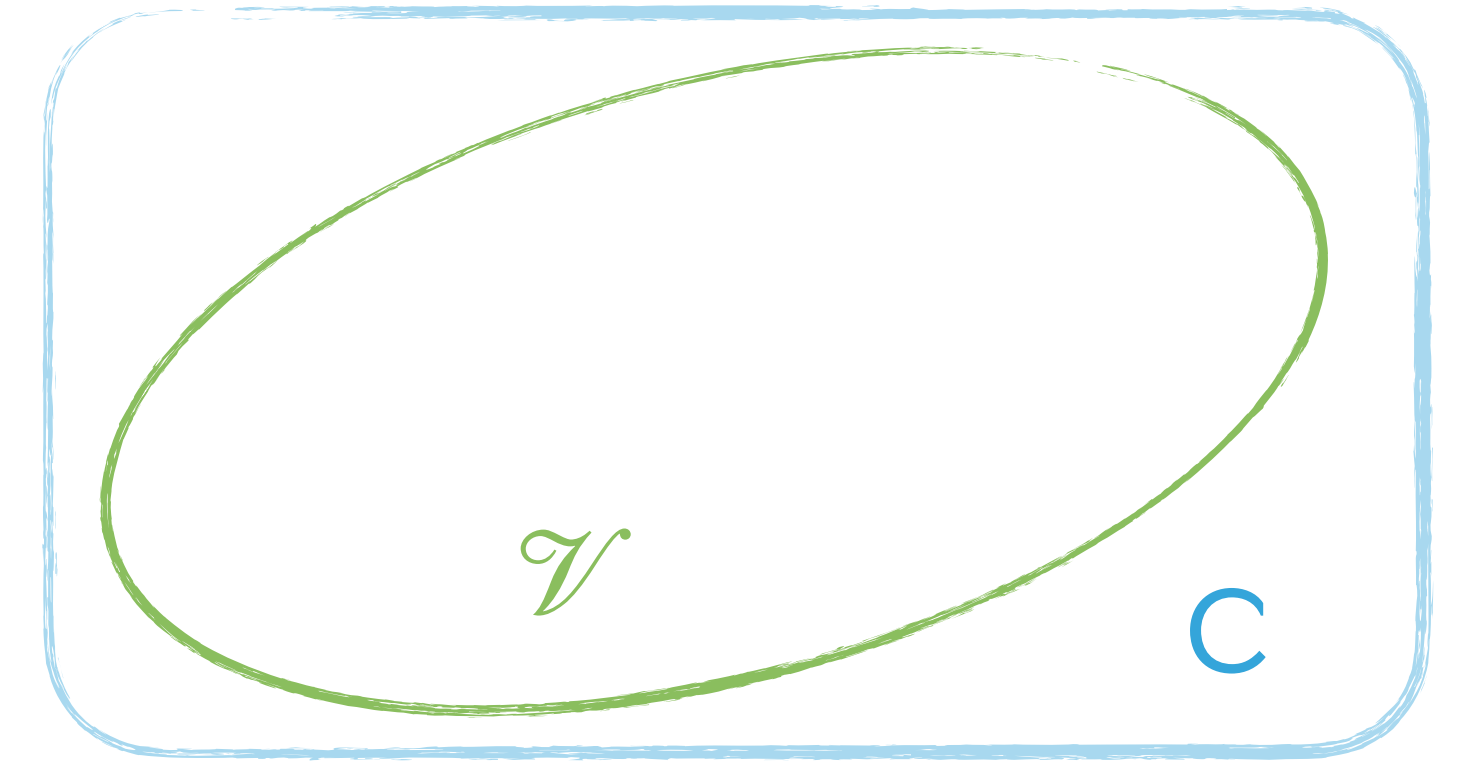
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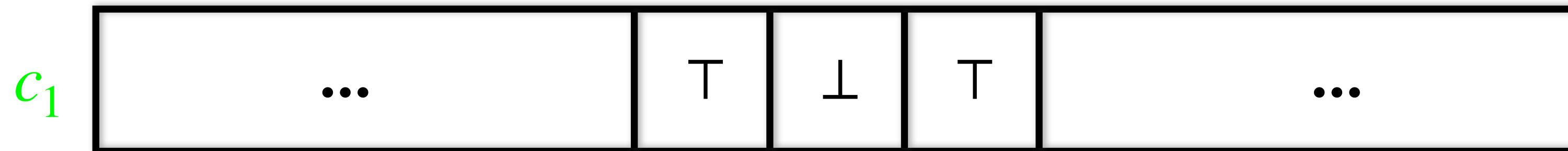
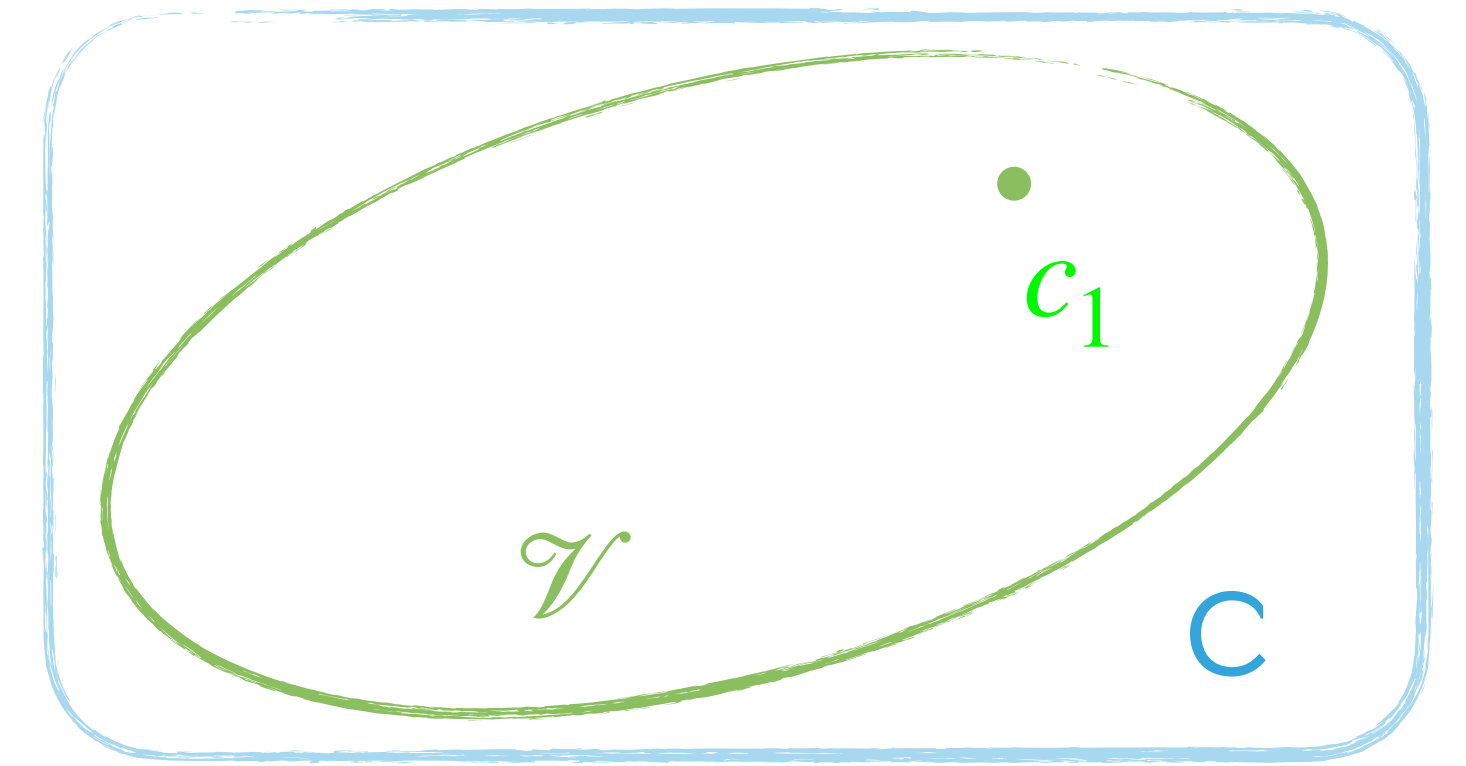
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**Are these models interpretable?**

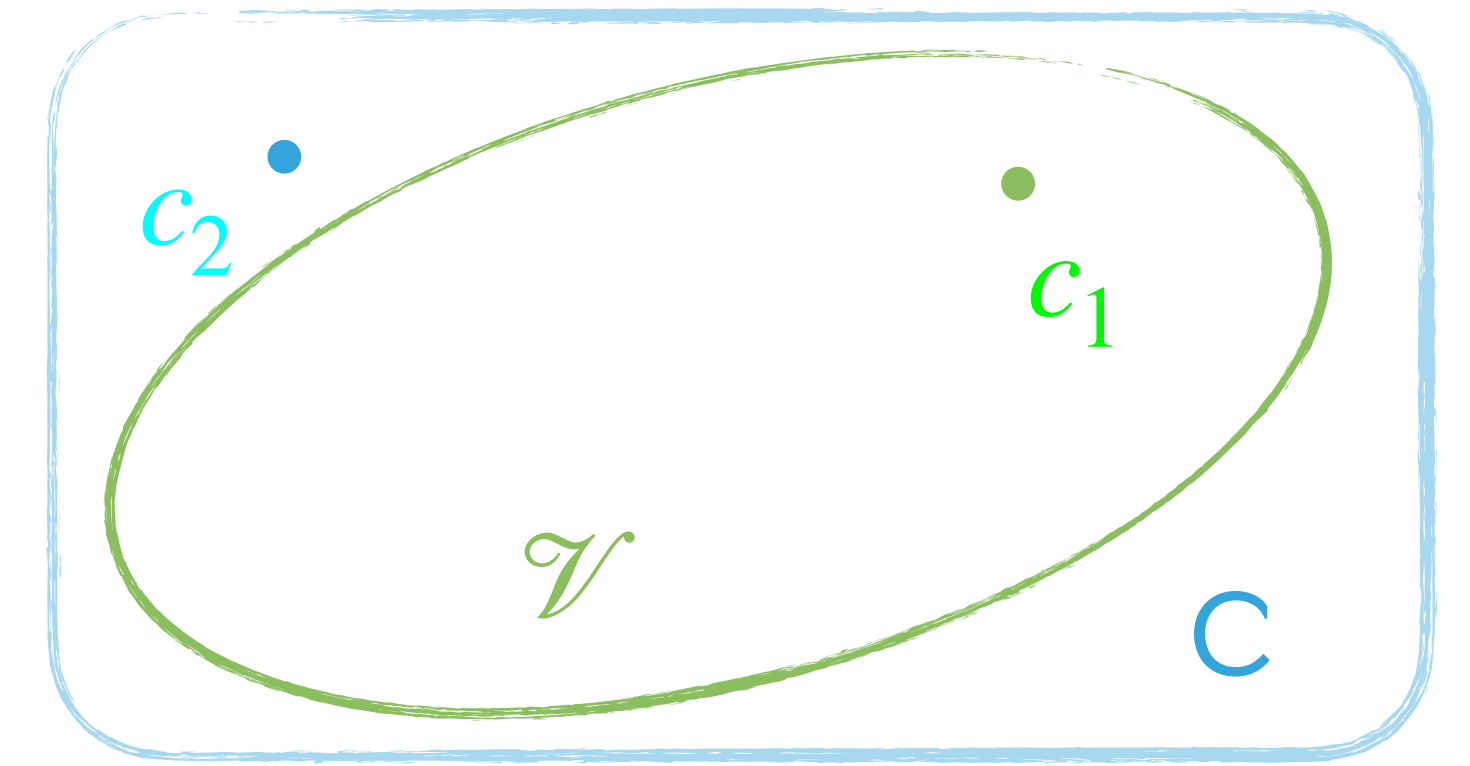
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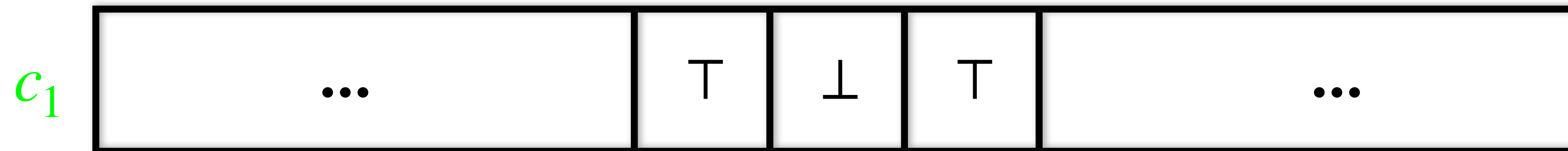
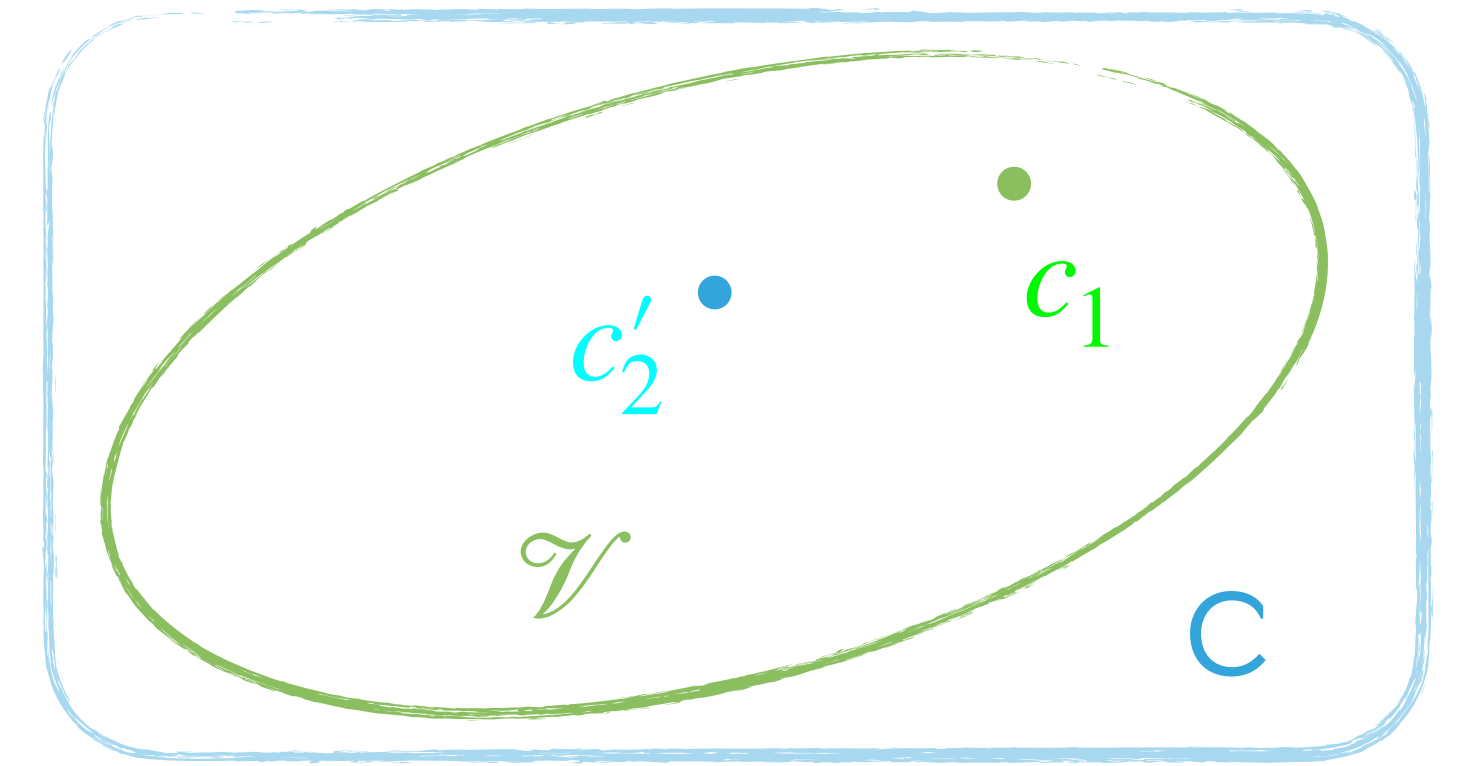
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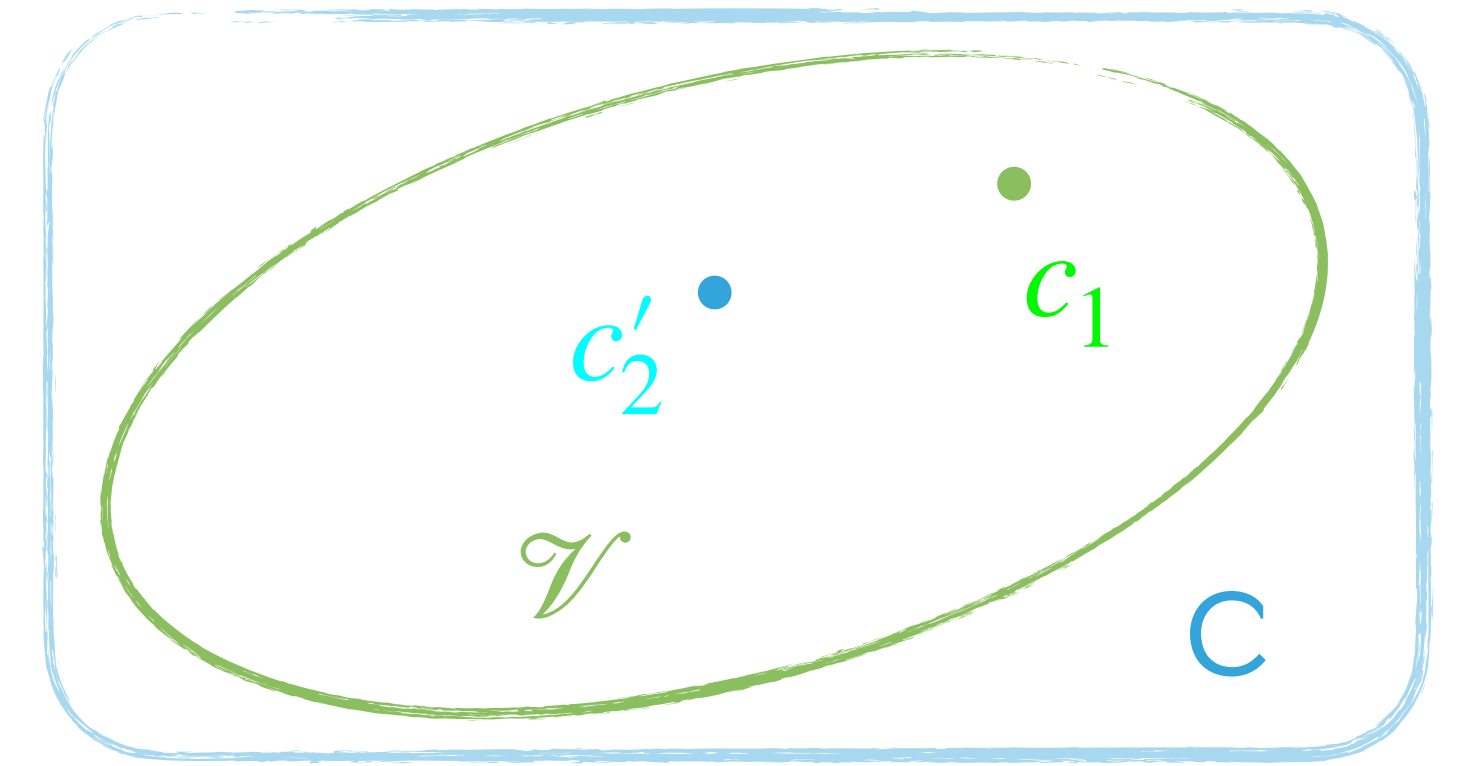
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$c_2$	...	⊥	T	⊥	...

The table shows the observability of two points,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , over a sequence of three time steps. The observability is indicated by 'T' (True) or '⊥' (False). The observability of  $c_2$  at the second time step is highlighted with a red box.

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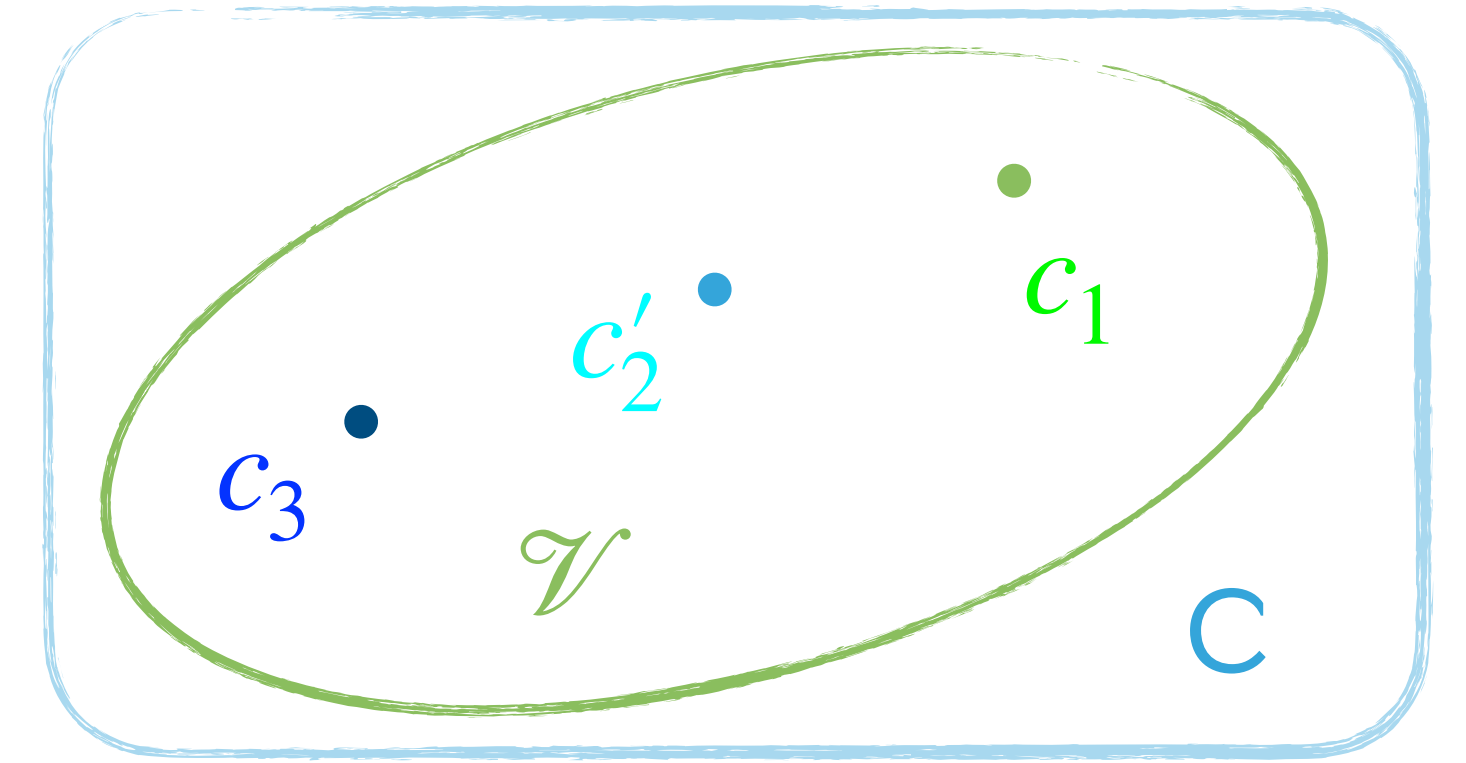


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$c_2'$	...	⊥	⊥	T	...

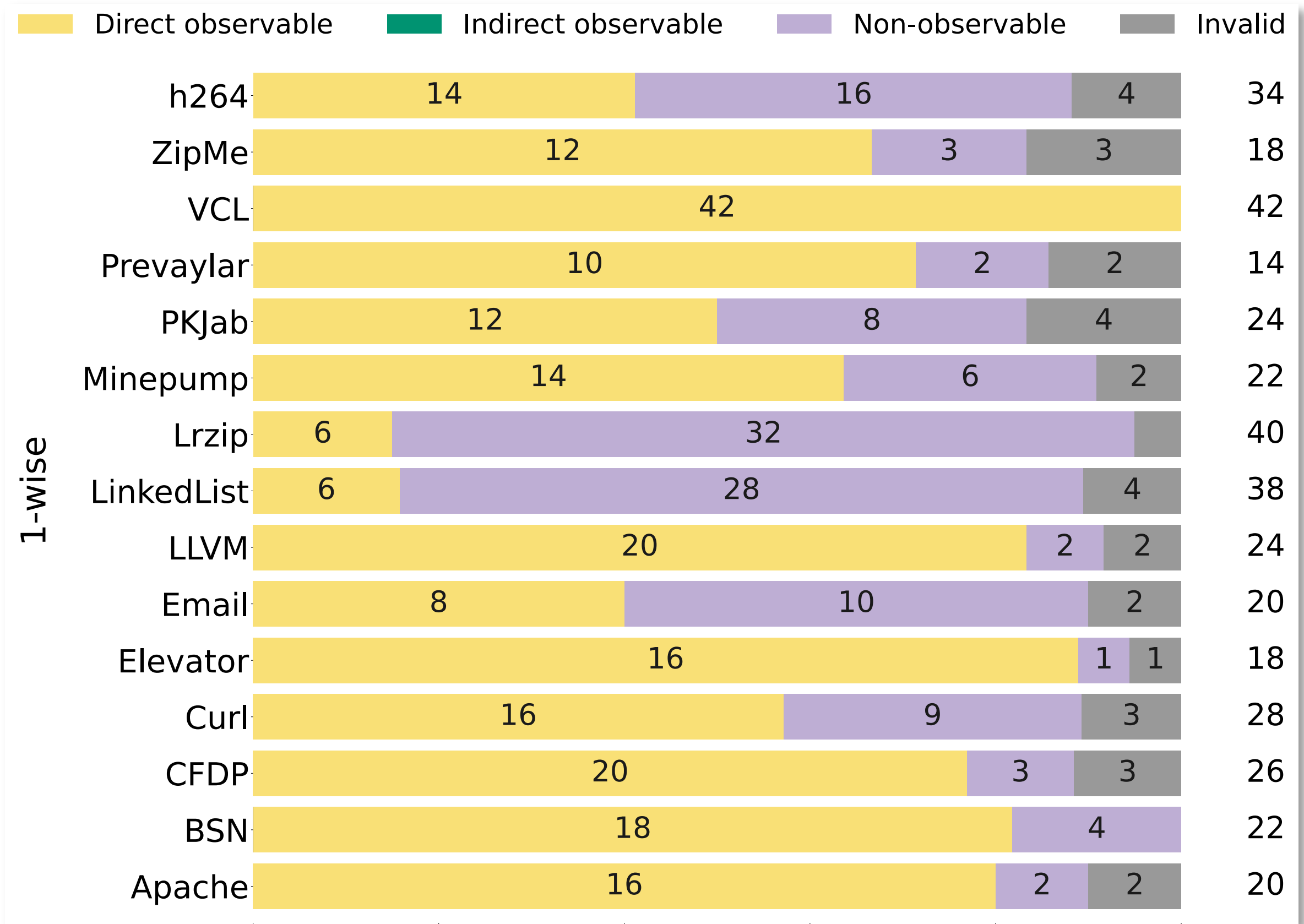
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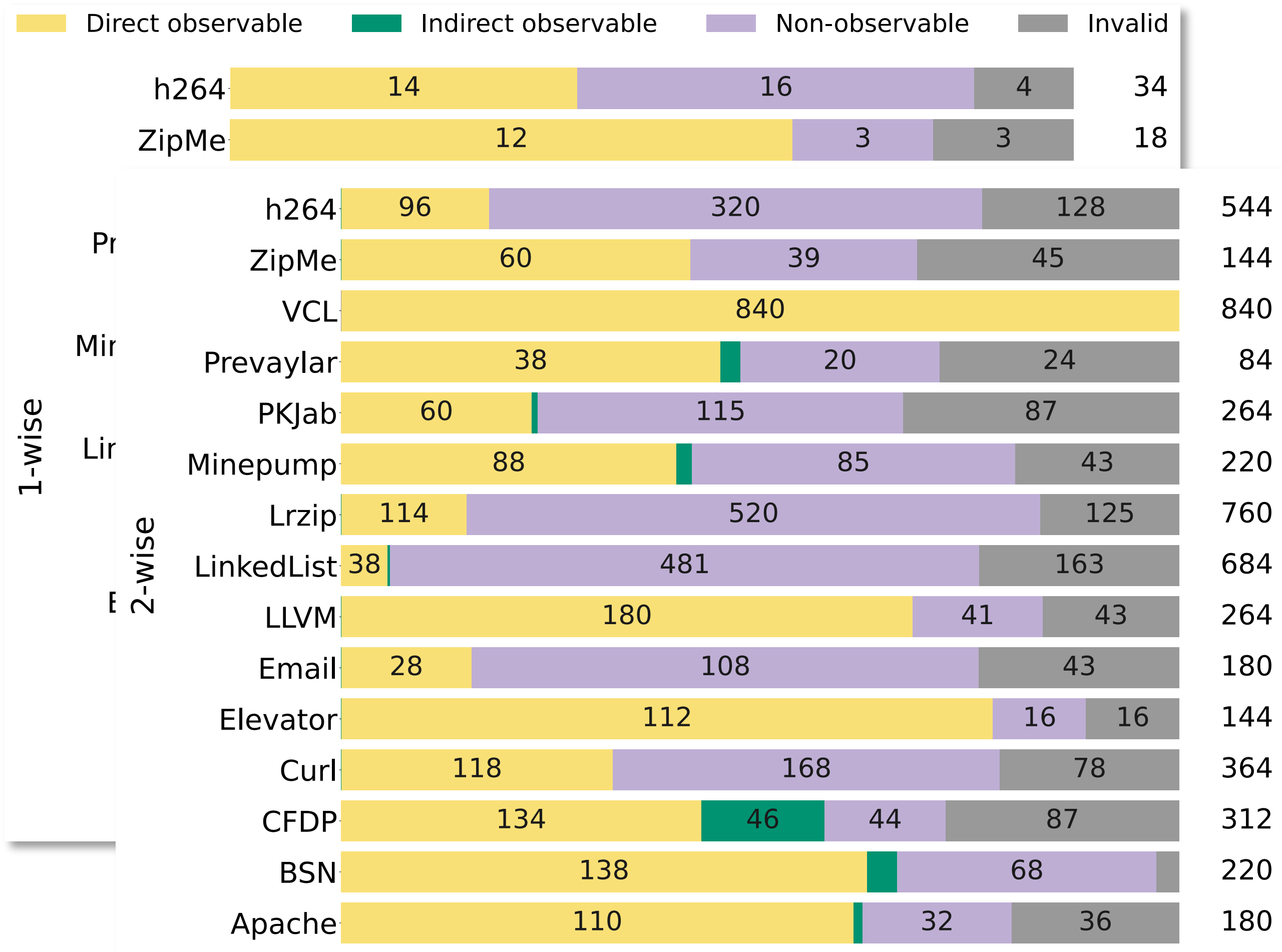
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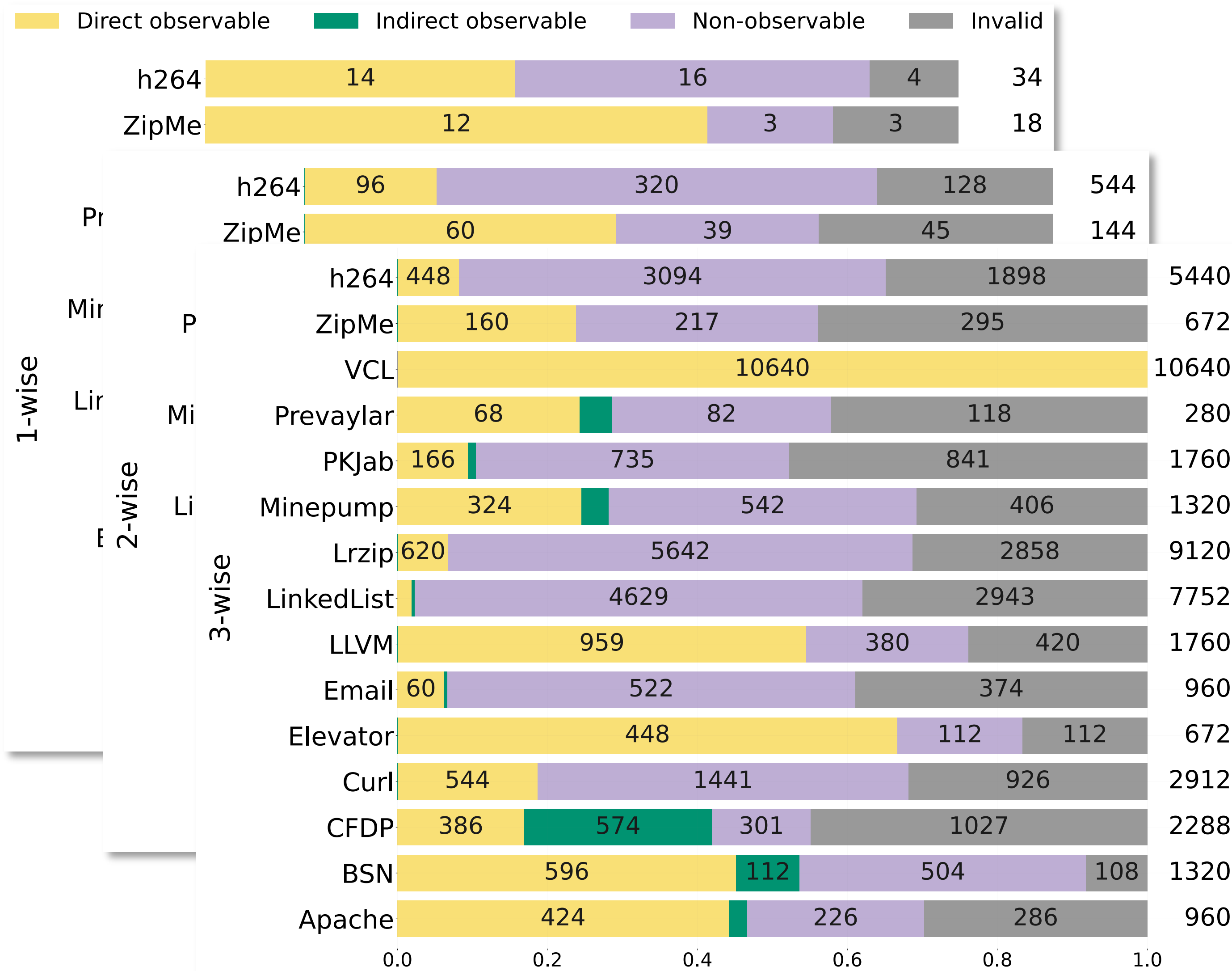
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# Observability in Performance Models

TABLE II  
STATISTICS OVER GENERAL OBSERVABILITY IN STATE-OF-THE-ART PERFORMANCE-INFLUENCE MODELS

System	$ \mathcal{V} $	$ \mathcal{F} $	$ \mathcal{P} $	$ \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} $	Max Size	$ \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}} $	$ \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{O}} $	$ \neg\mathcal{O} $	Time [s]
BROTLI	180	30	166	166	2	0	0	166	21.85
FASTDOWNWARD	347	60	41	41	3	0	0	41	144.22
HSQLDB	864	29	21	21	3	0	0	21	201.26
LRZIP <sub>2</sub>	1 440	27	220	220	3	0	0	220	6 777.10
MARIADB	972	21	35	35	3	4	0	31	275.07
MYSQL	972	21	25	25	3	4	0	21	144.08
OPENVPN	512	24	13	13	2	1	0	12	13.64
OPUS	6 480	31	66	66	5	0	0	66	309 561.33
POSTGRESQL	864	18	3	3	1	2	0	1	0.01
VP8	2 736	27	40	40	3	0	0	40	30 887.61
Z3	1 024	14	18	18	3	2	0	16	40.78

**Non-observable features and feature interactions are prevalent in practice and need to be considered when interpreting blackbox analysis results.**