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Constructing Extended Formulations

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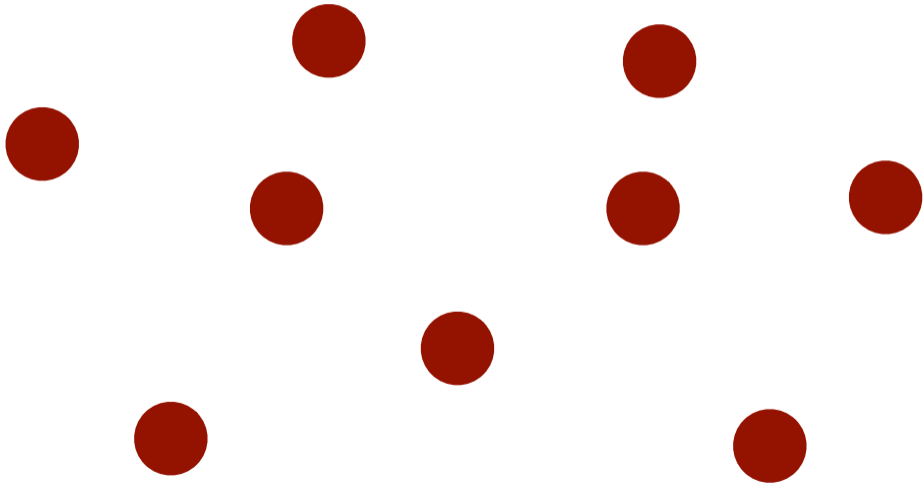
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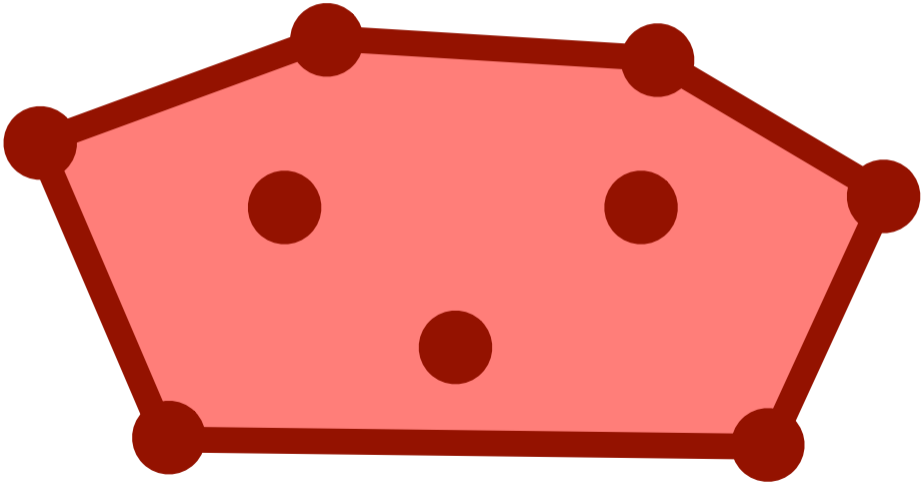
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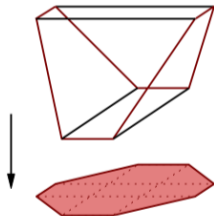
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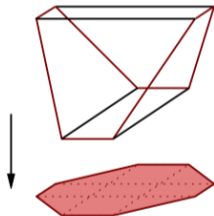


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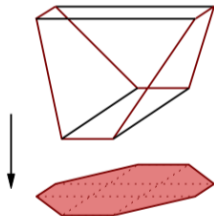
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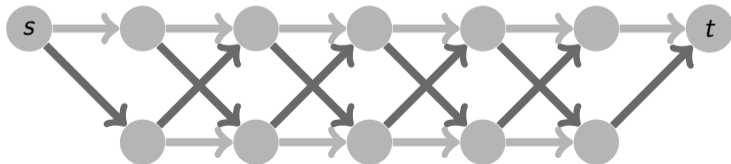
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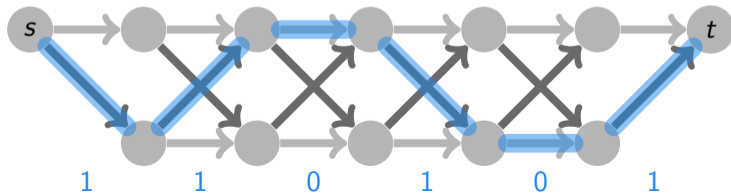
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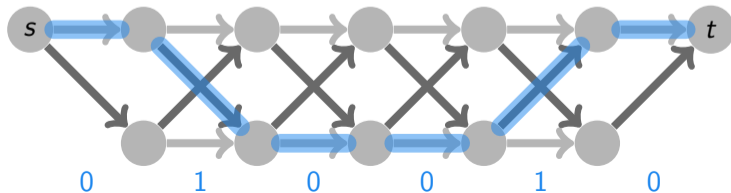
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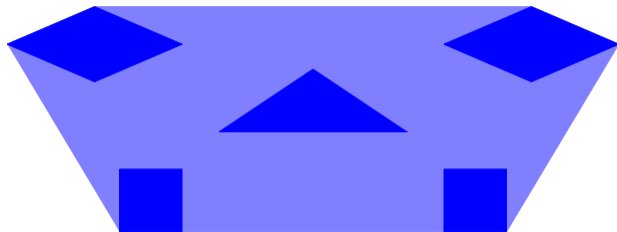
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BALAS 1975

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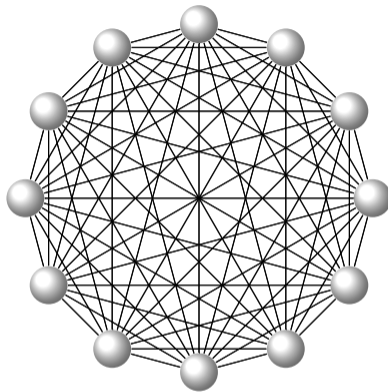
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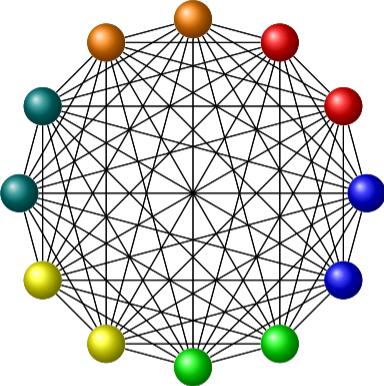
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- 1 Cover by few subproblems.
- 2 Find small (extended) formulations for subproblems.
- 3 Take (convex hull of) union.

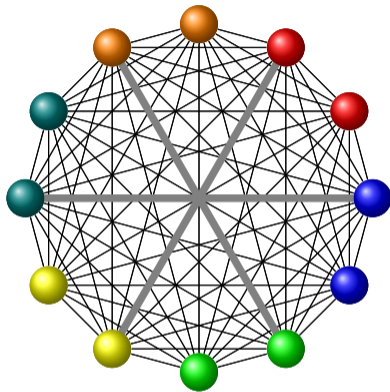
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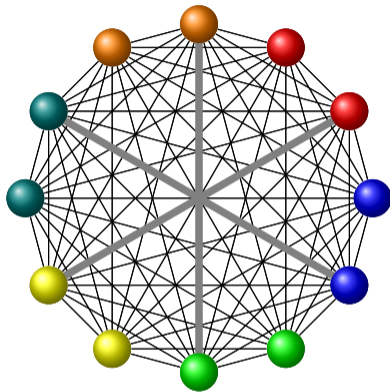
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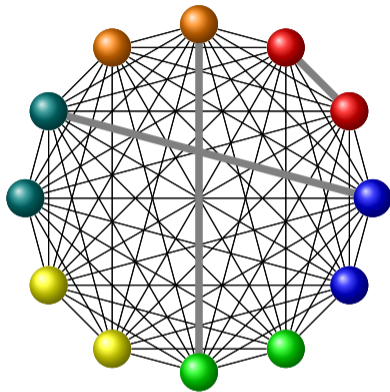
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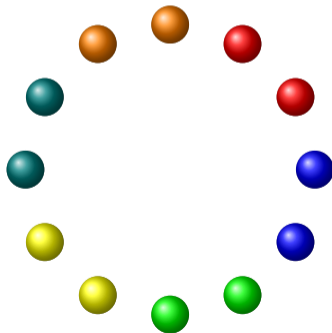
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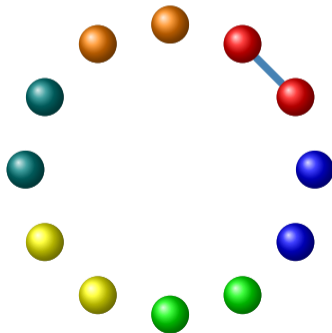
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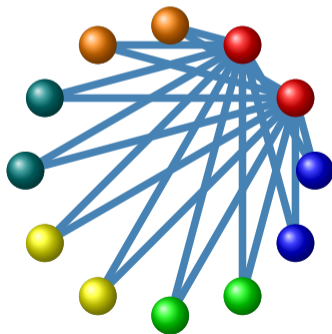
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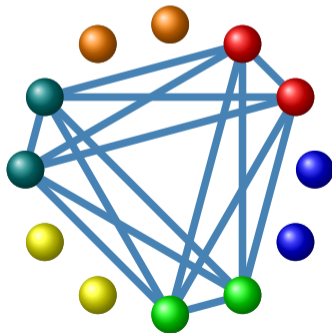
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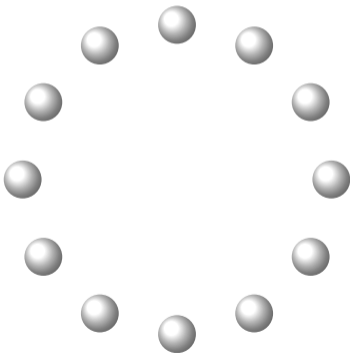
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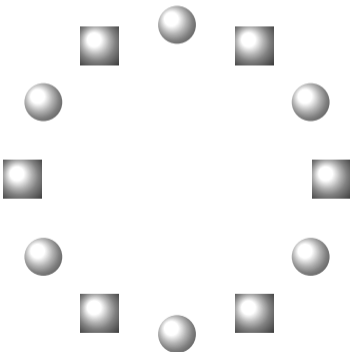
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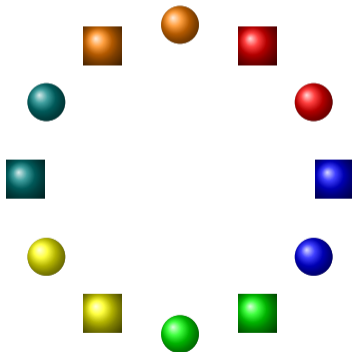
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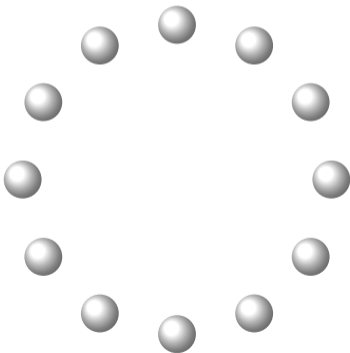
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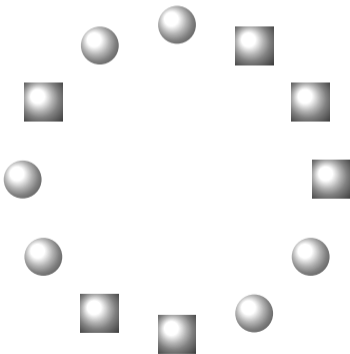
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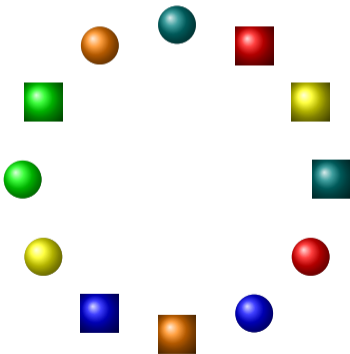
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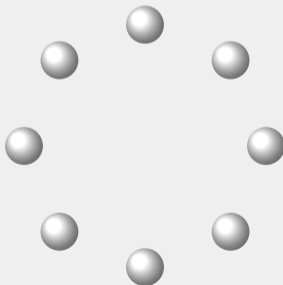
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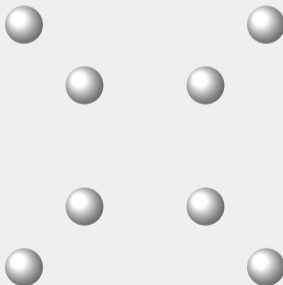
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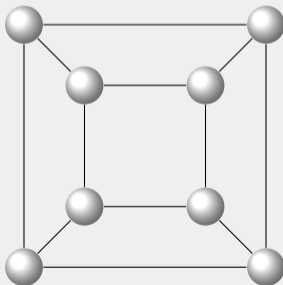
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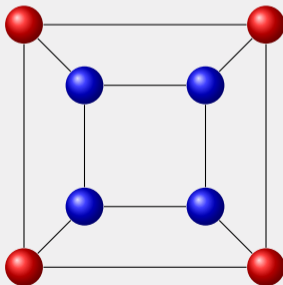
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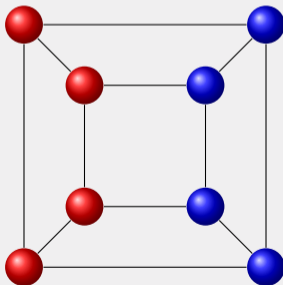
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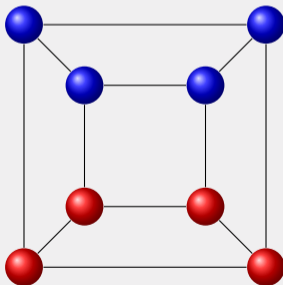
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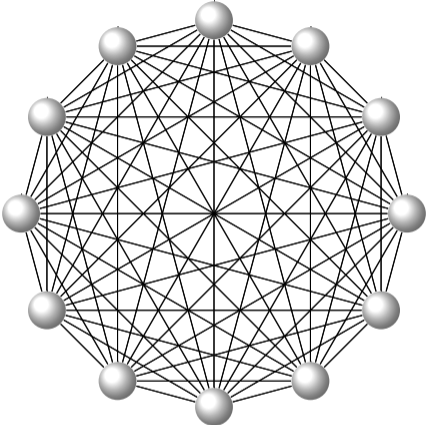
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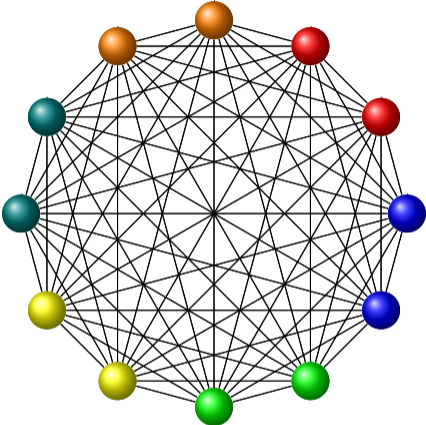
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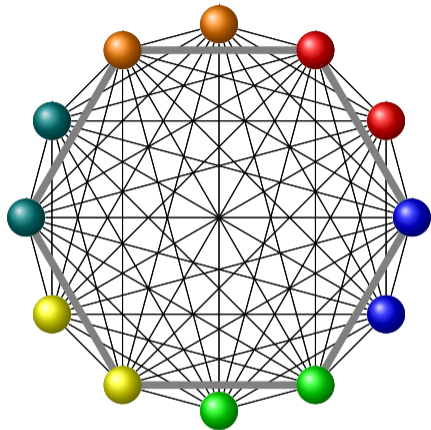
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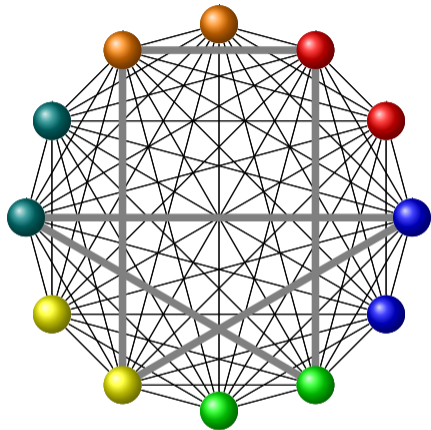
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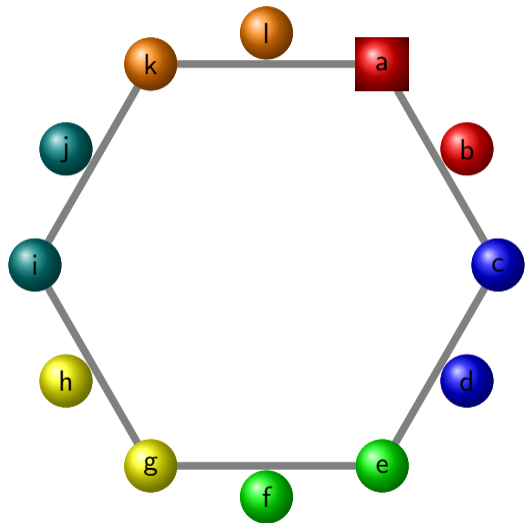
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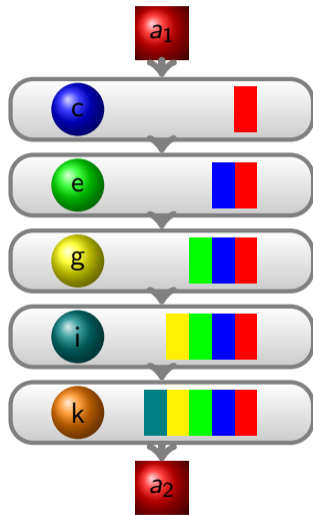
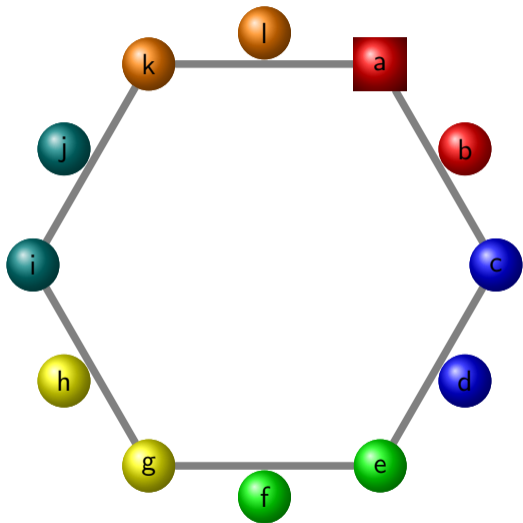
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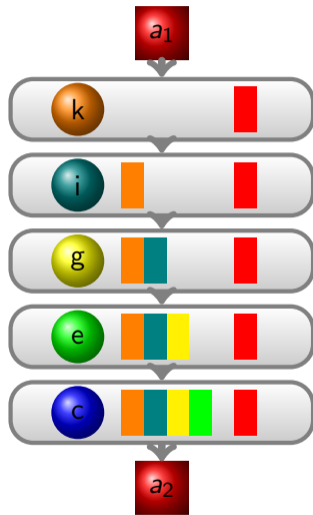
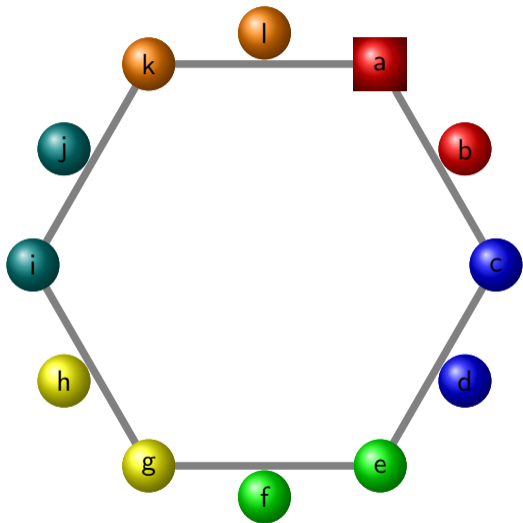
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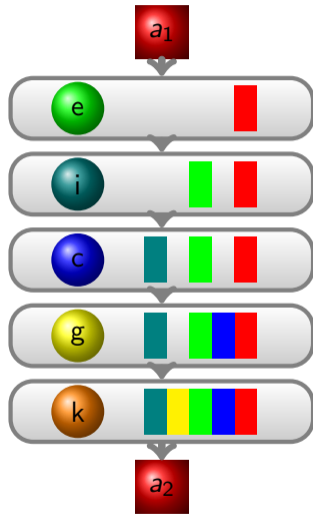
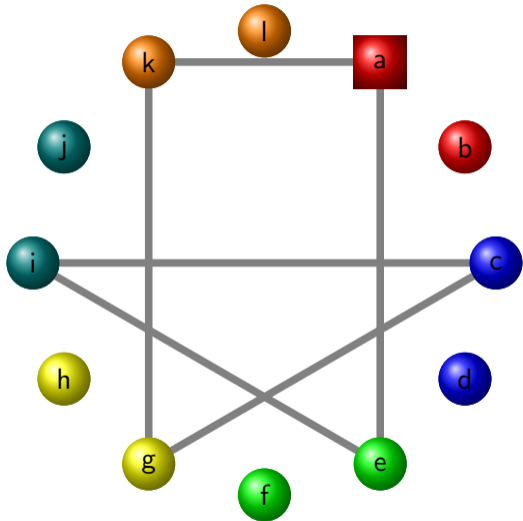
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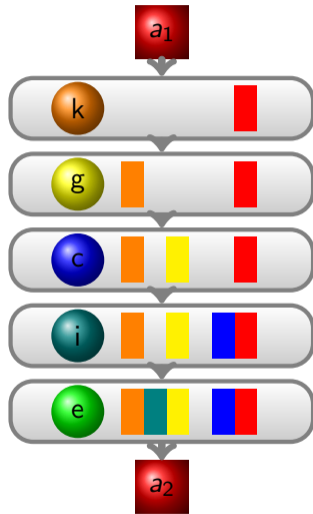
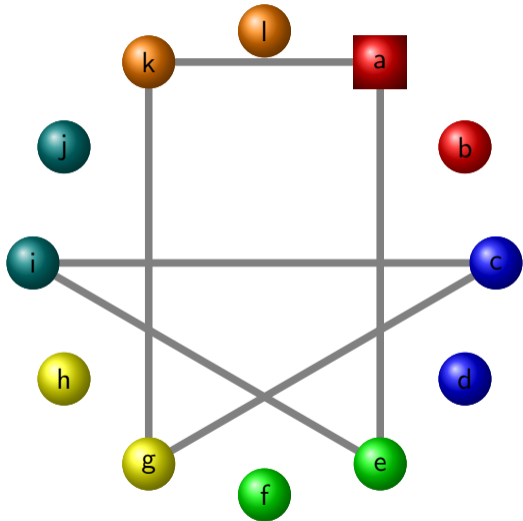
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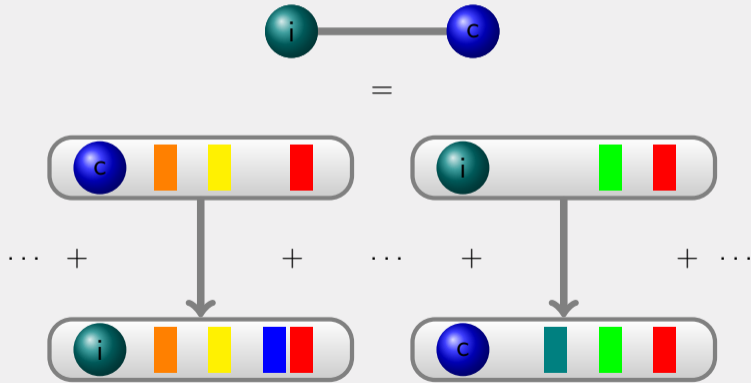
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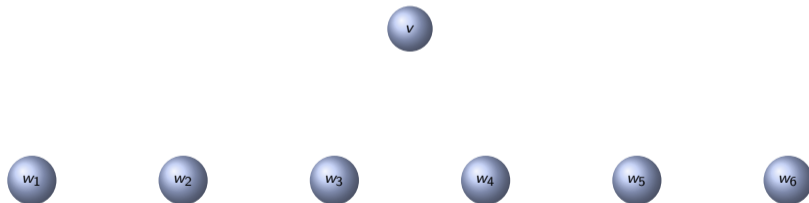
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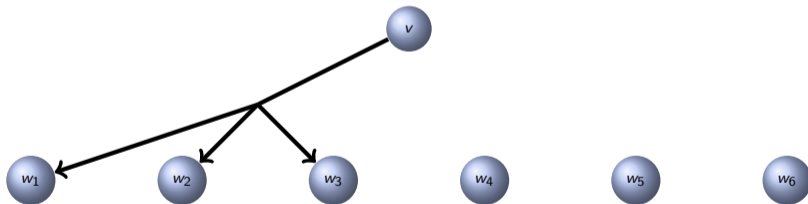
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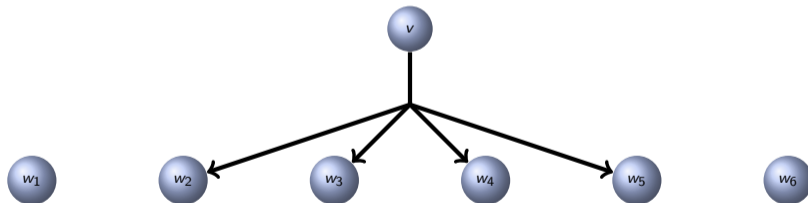
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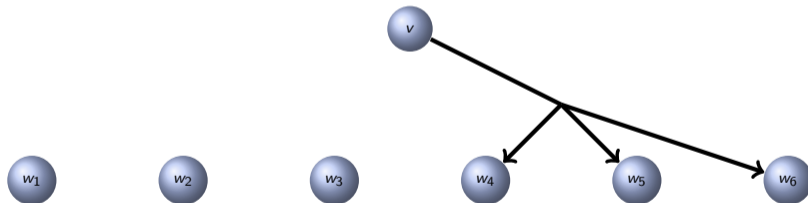
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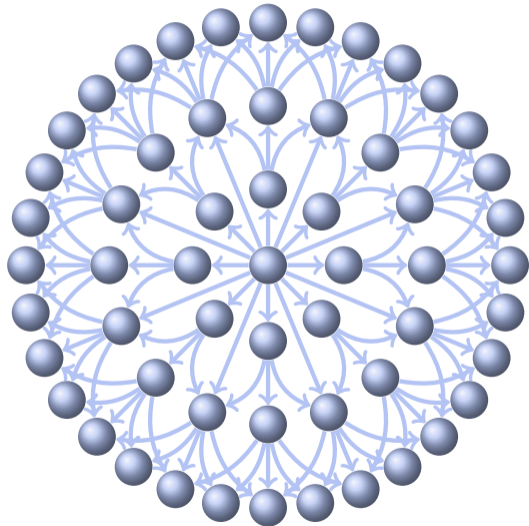
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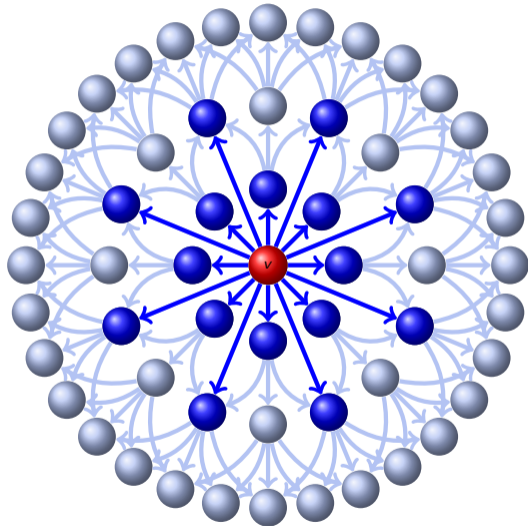
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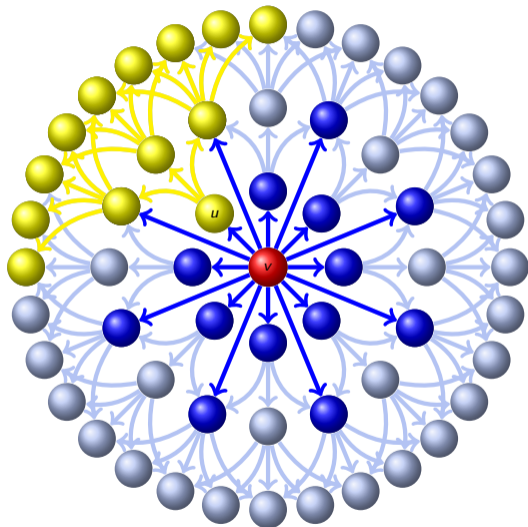
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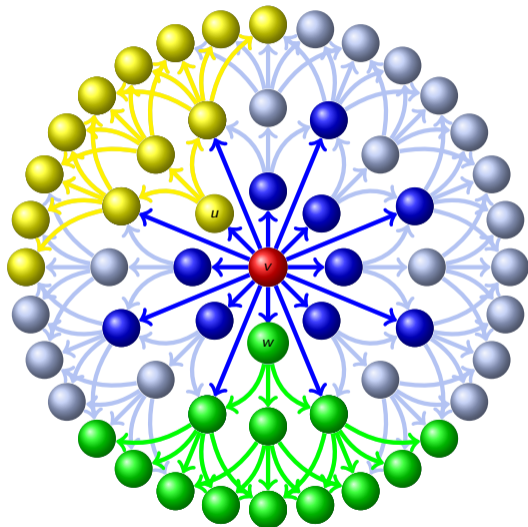
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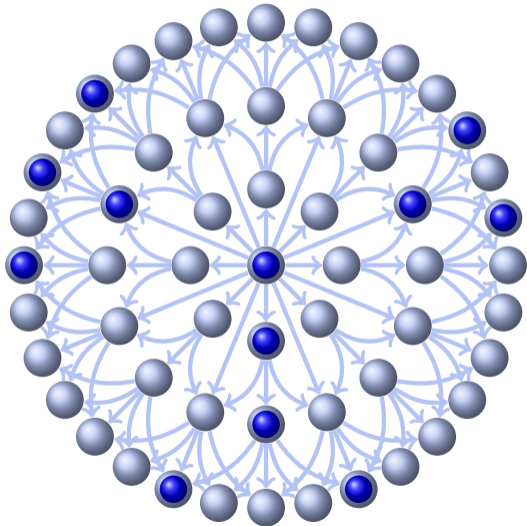
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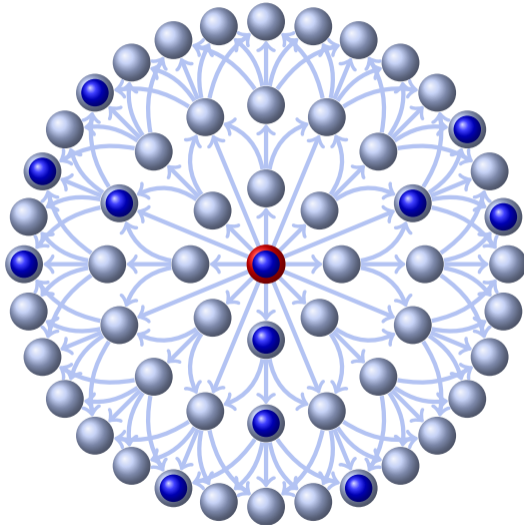
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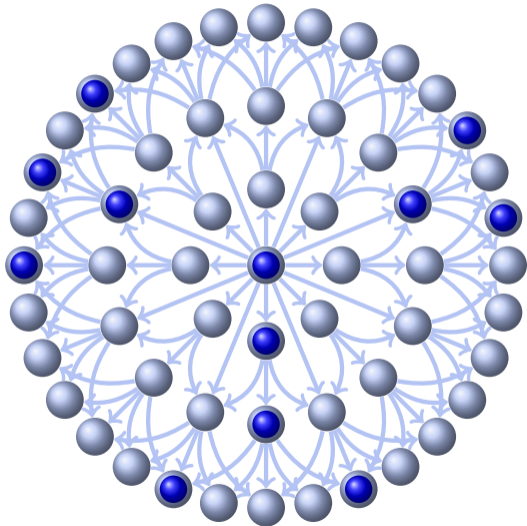
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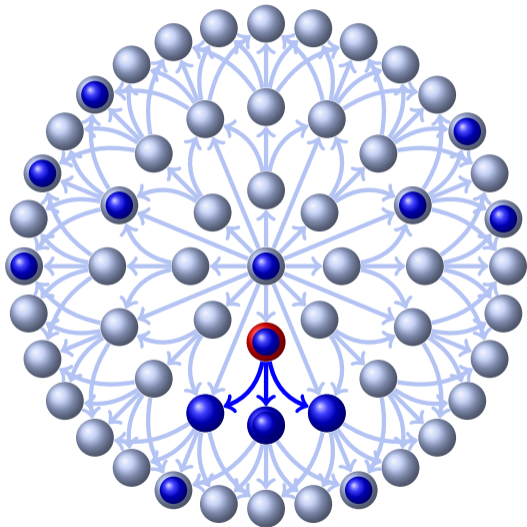
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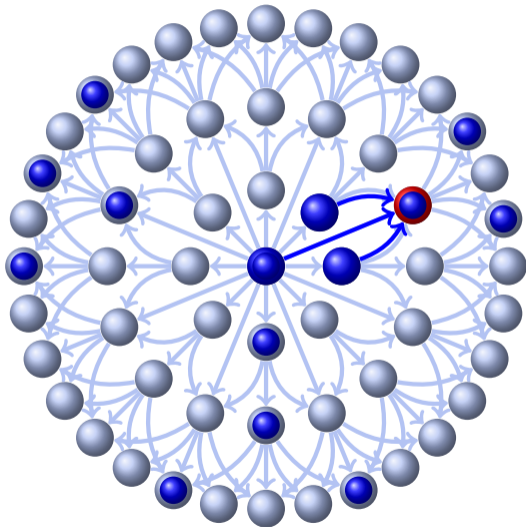
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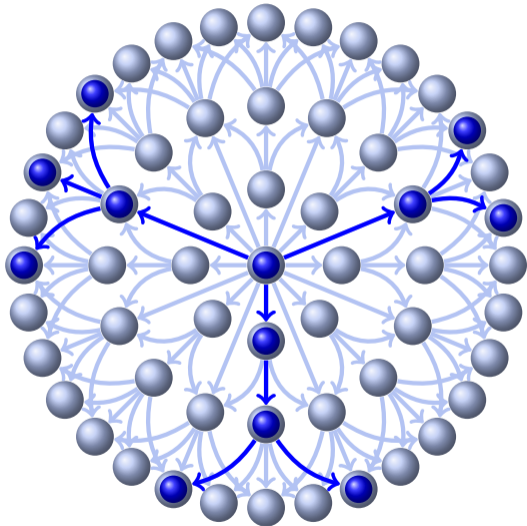
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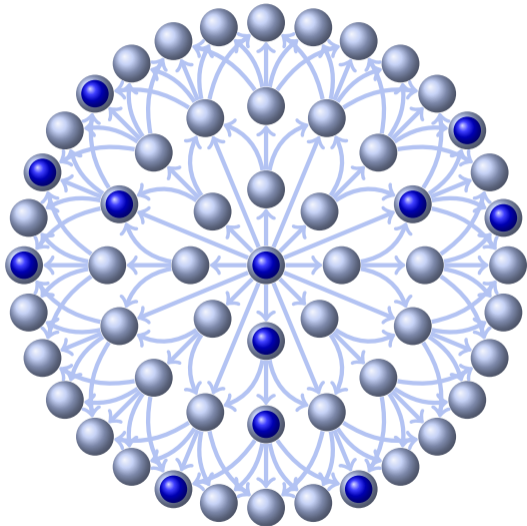
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Extended Formulation

K & Loos 2010

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for all $v \neq s$

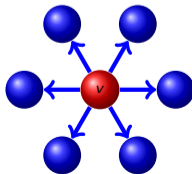
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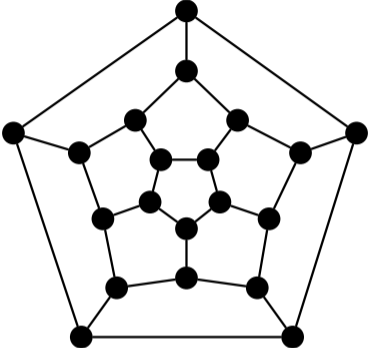
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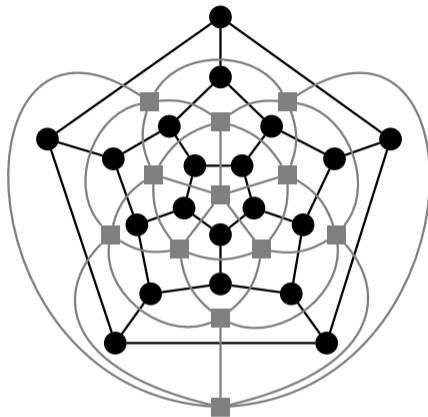
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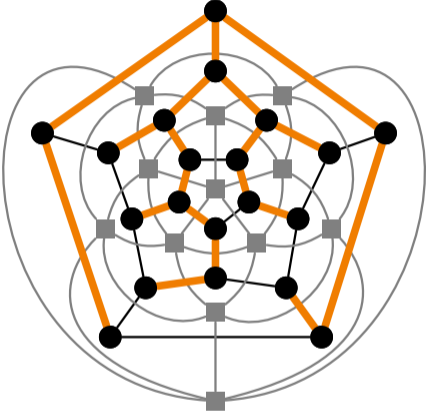
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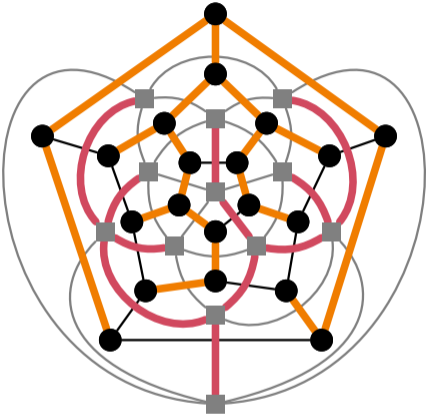
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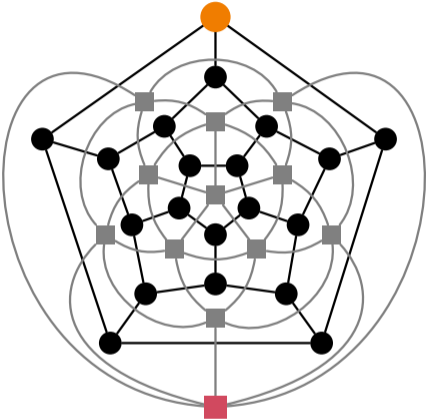
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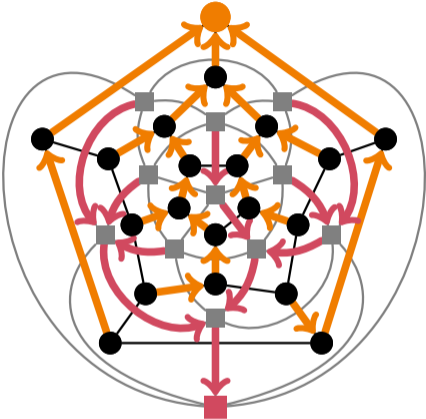
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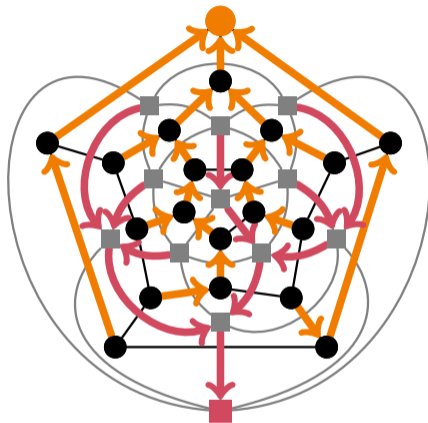
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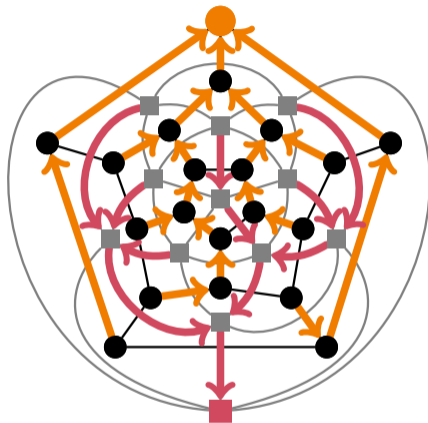


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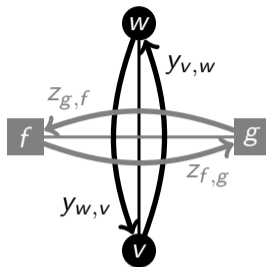
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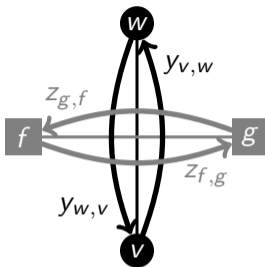


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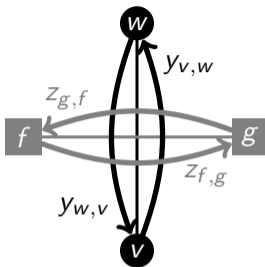
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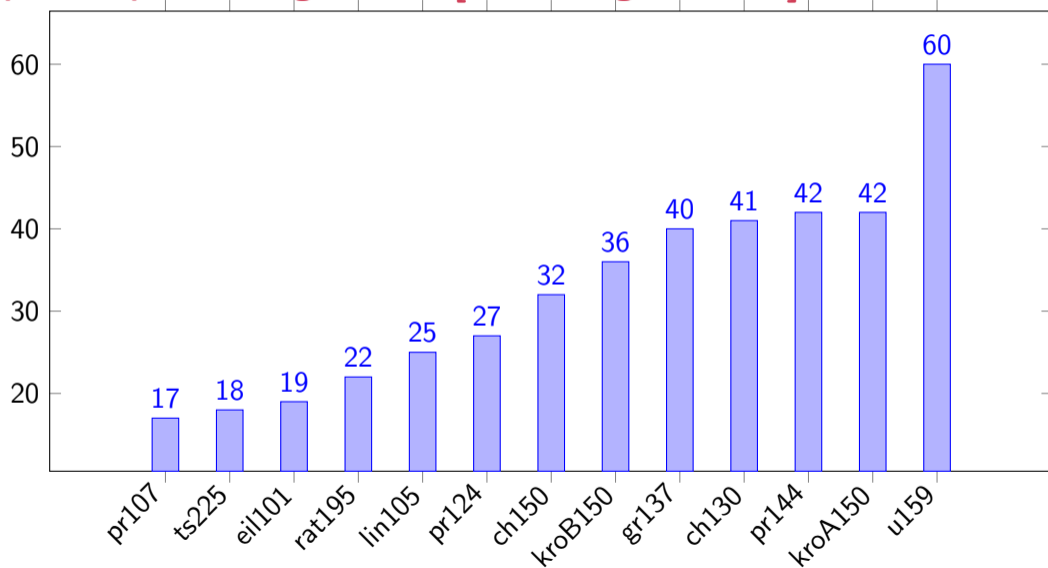
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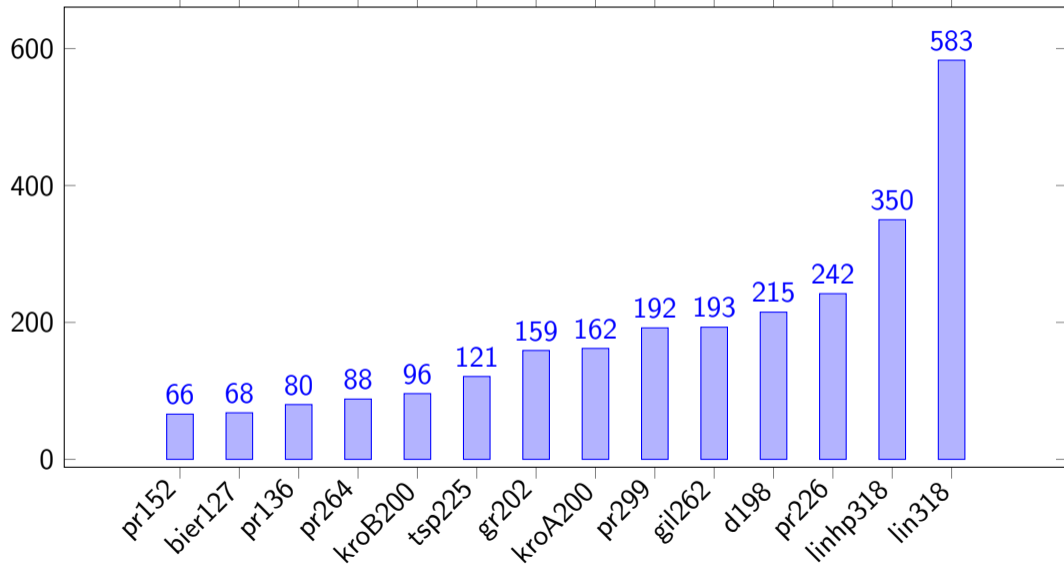
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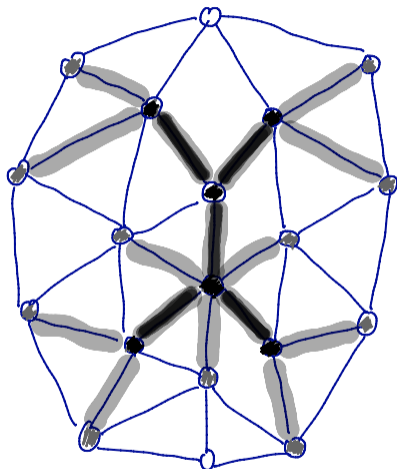
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A Single Chain \mathcal{M} of Trees



$$[\mathcal{M}_1 \cong \mathcal{M}_2 = \bar{\mathcal{M}}]$$

Fischer, Fischer, McCormick 2016

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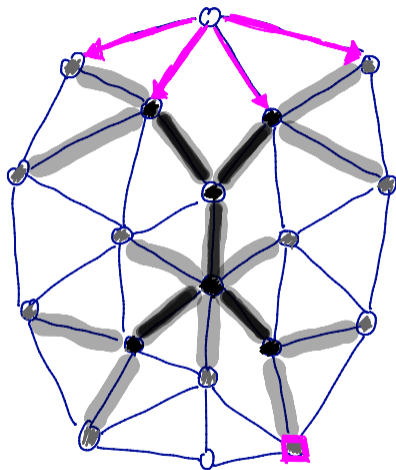
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- $y_i \leq y_{i-1}$ for all i
- $x(\cup_j E[S_j]) + \sum_i \beta_i y_i \leq \sum_j (|S_j| - 1)$ for all pairwise disjoint S_j

(Similarly even for general matroids.)

For a single pair of edges see also:

- Buchheim & Klein 2014
- Fischer & Fischer 2013

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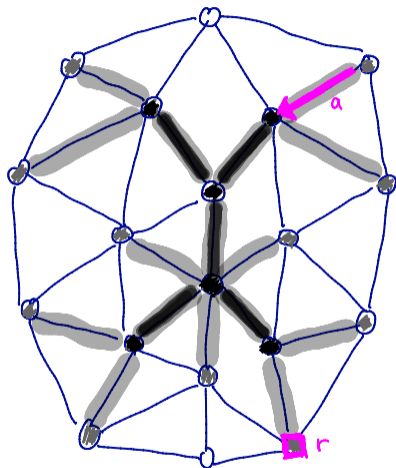


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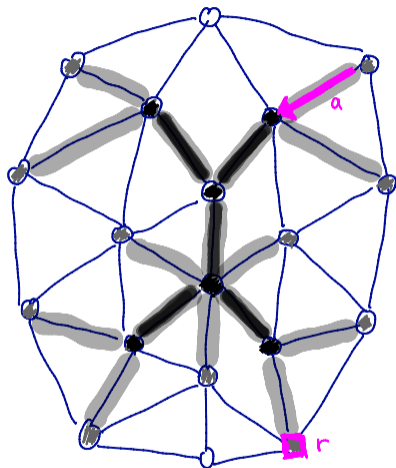


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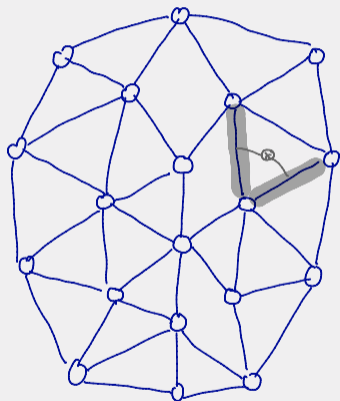
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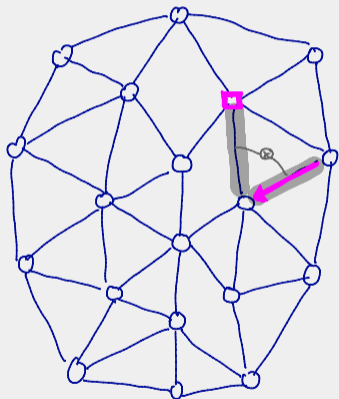
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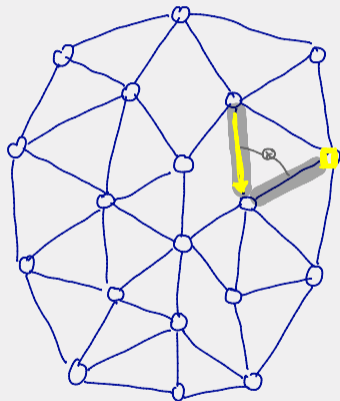
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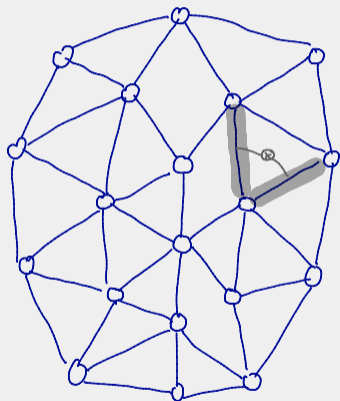
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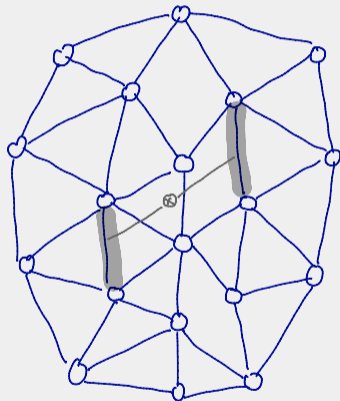


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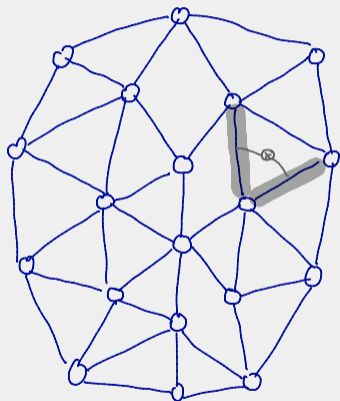


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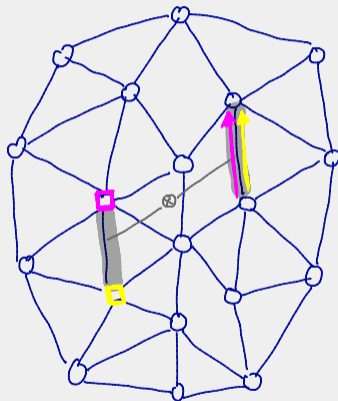


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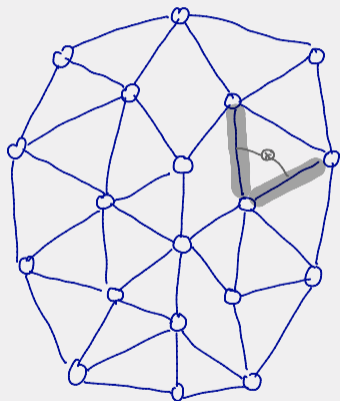


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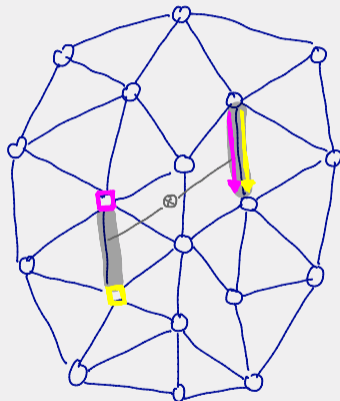


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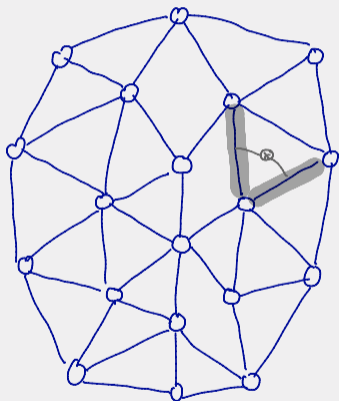


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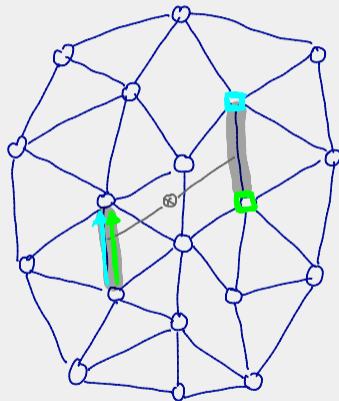


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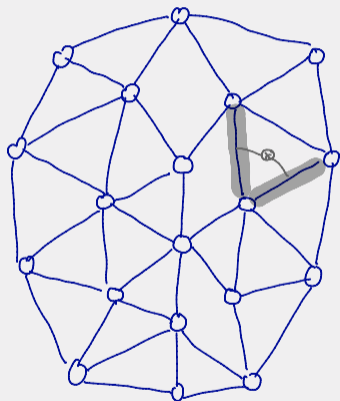


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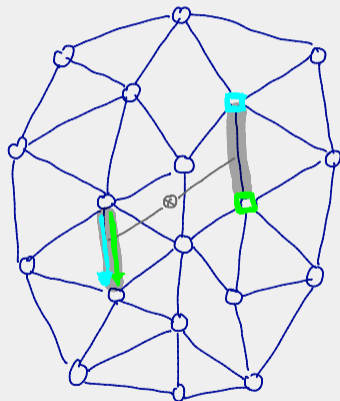


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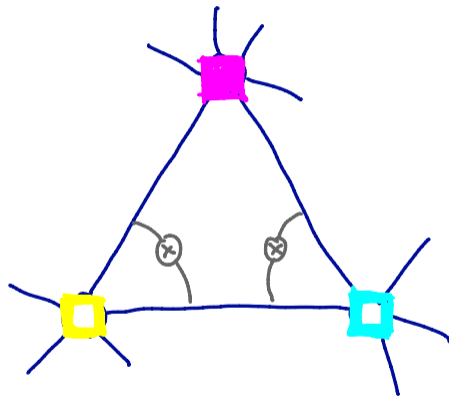
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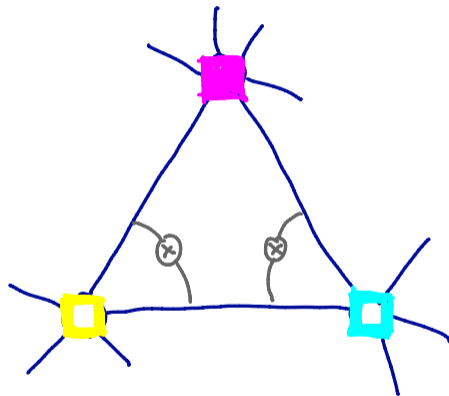
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with re-used z -variables is in general stronger than $P(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}) \cap \dots \cap P(\mathcal{M}_t, \mathcal{M})$.

An Approach to Obtain Relaxations

For polytope $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$

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- 2 Construct extensions Q_i of P_i with preimages $z_i(v)$ of the vertices v of P .
- 3 Identify valid linear inequalities for the $(v, z_1(v), \dots, z_r(v))$'s defining a polyhedron S .

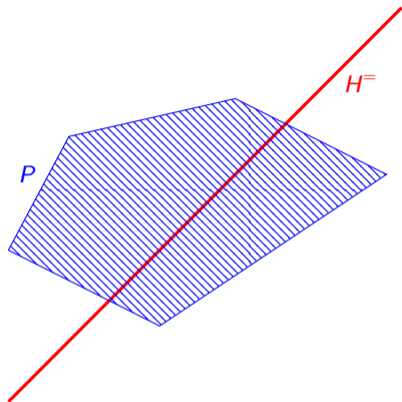
Then $\{(x, z_1, \dots, z_r) \in S : z_i \in Q_i\}$ is an extension of a polyhedron R with

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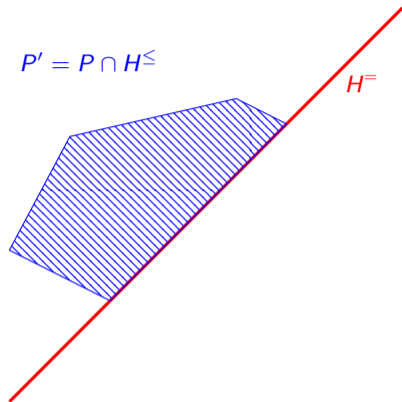
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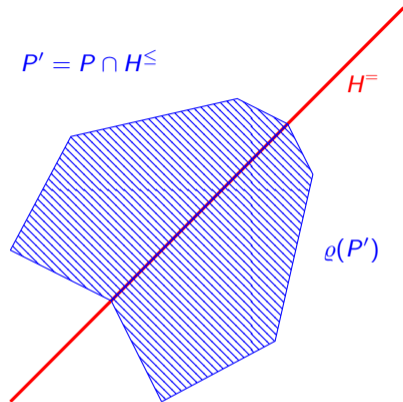
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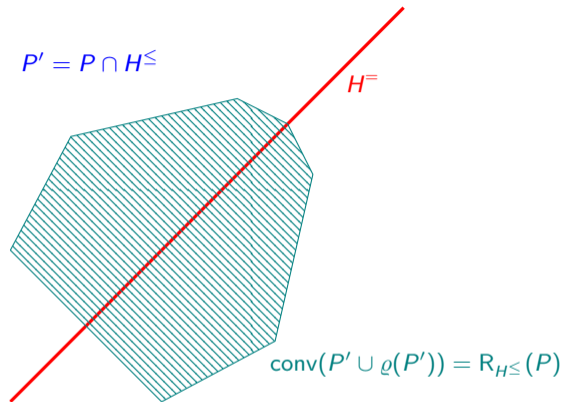
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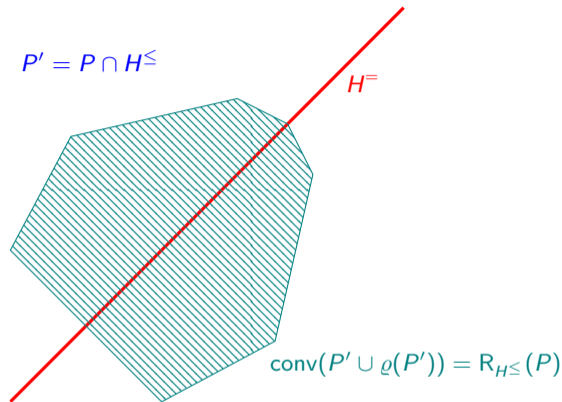
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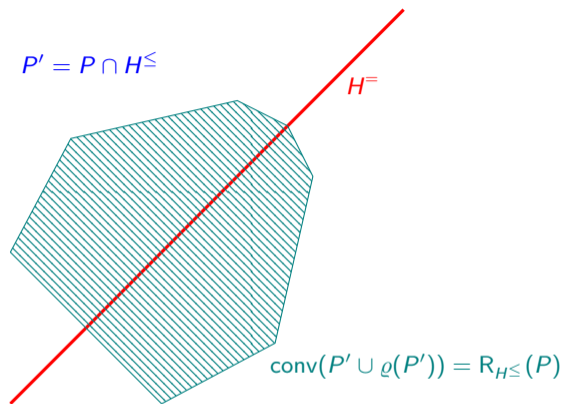


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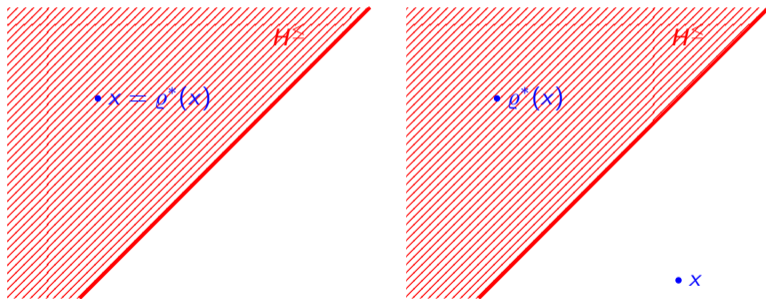
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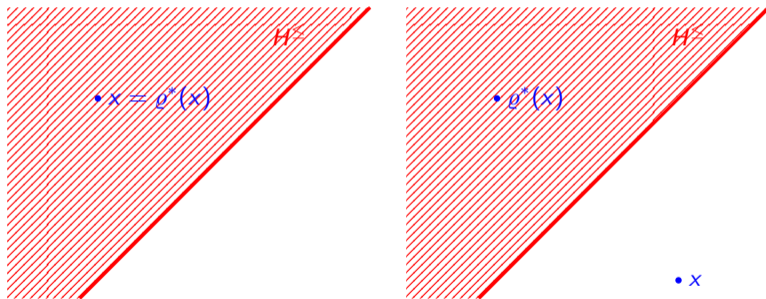
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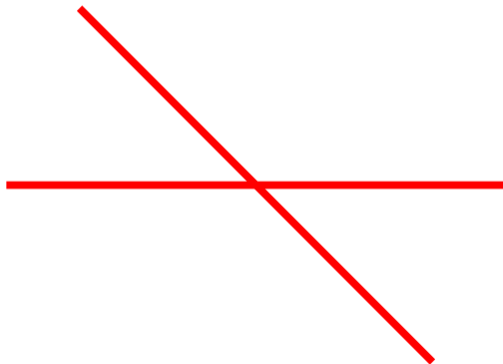
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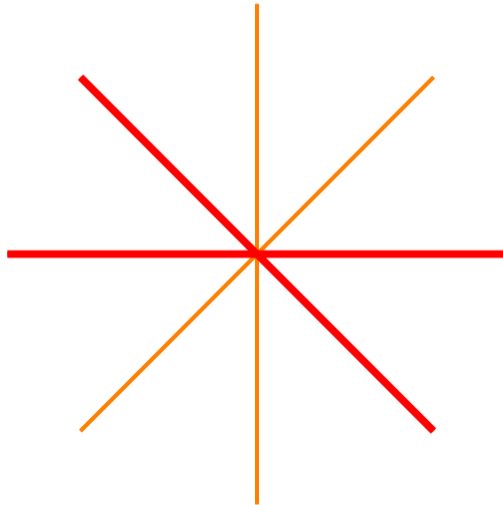
G -Permutahedron of polytope P in one region

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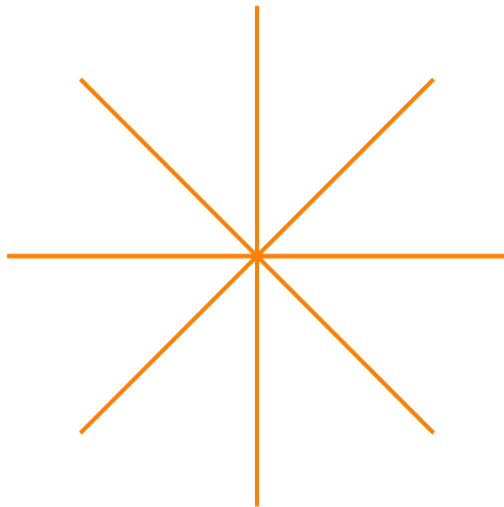
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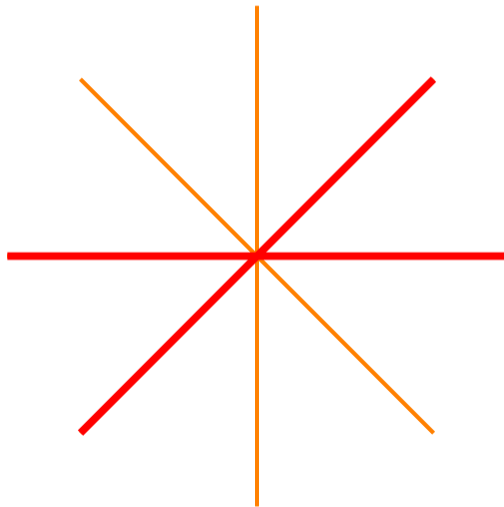
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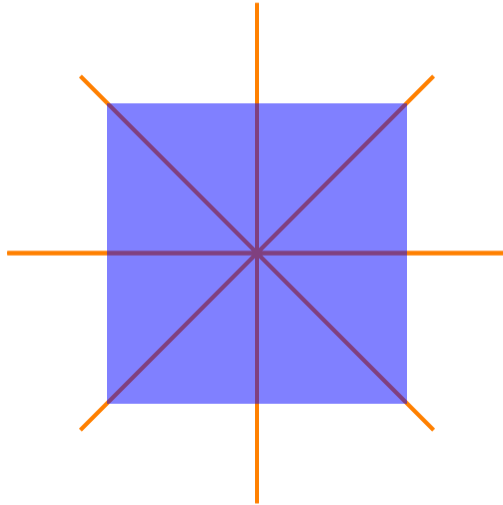
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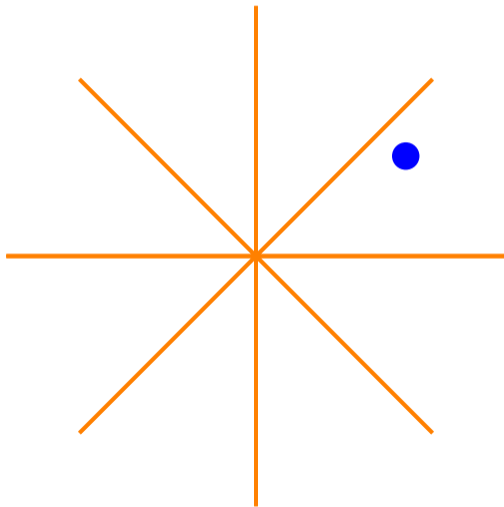
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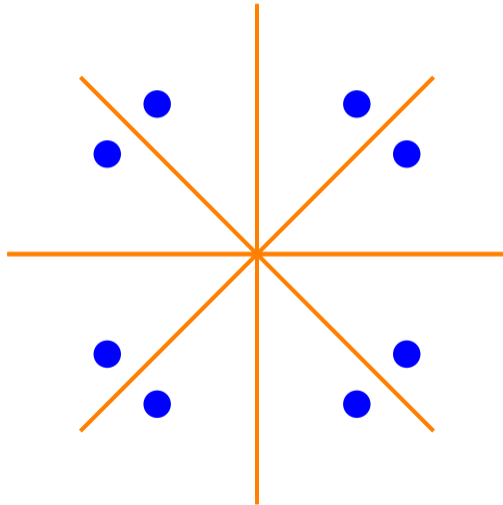
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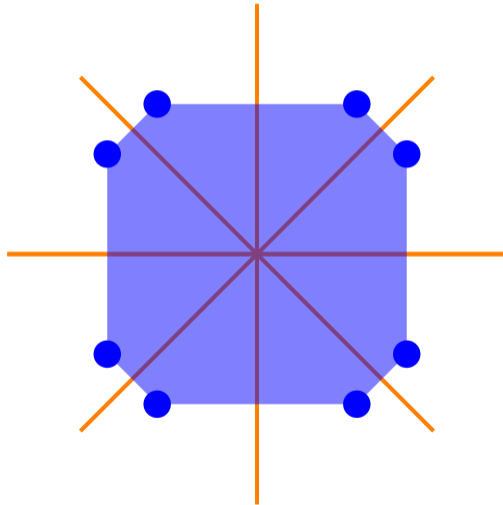
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








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Classification of Irreducible Reflection Groups

Name	Dynkin Diagram	Regular Polytope
$I_2(m)$		m -gon
A_{n-1}		$(n - 1)$ -simplex
B_n		n -cube, n -cross polytope
D_n		
E_6		
E_7		
E_8		
F_4		24-cell
H_3		dodecahedron, icosahedron

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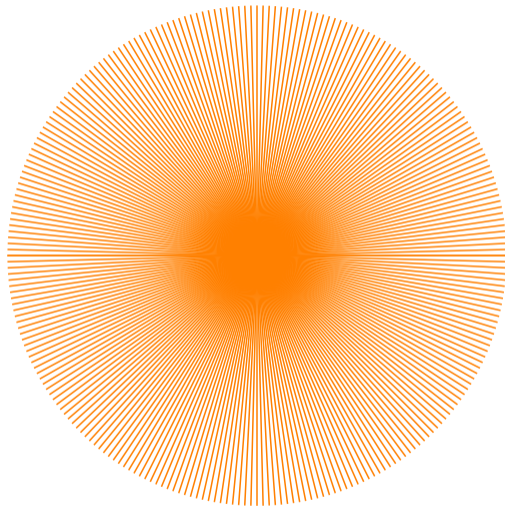
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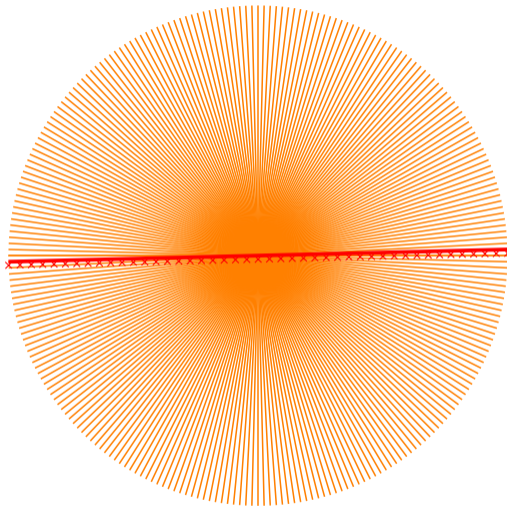
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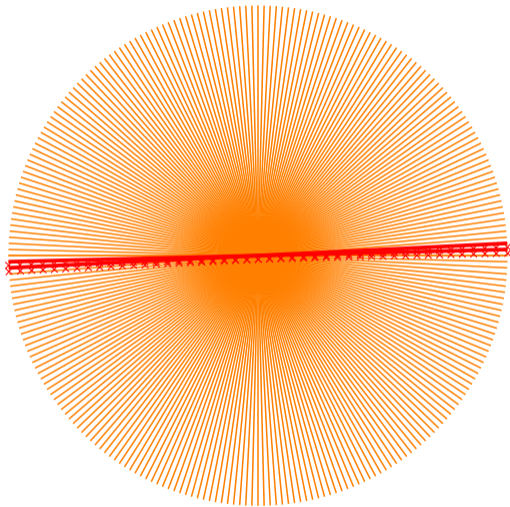
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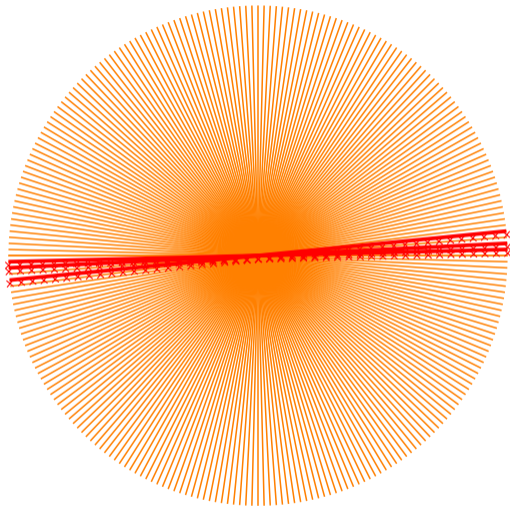
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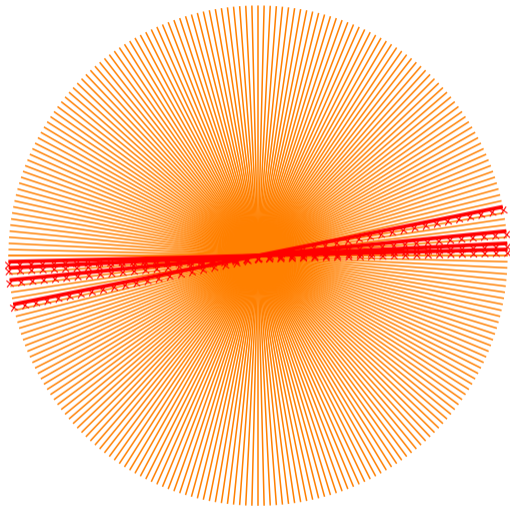
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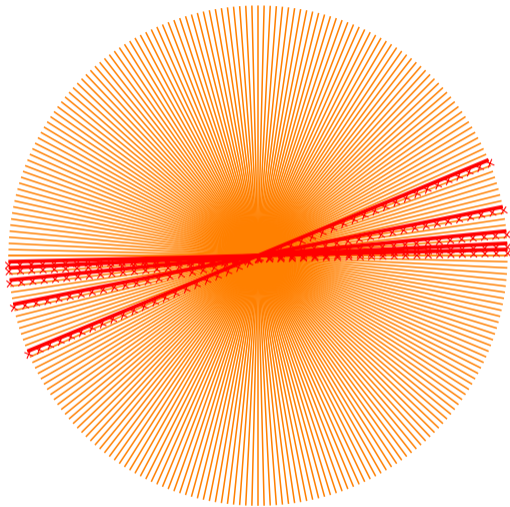
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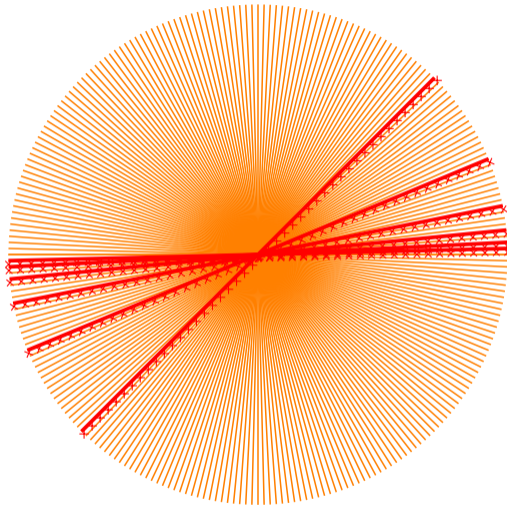
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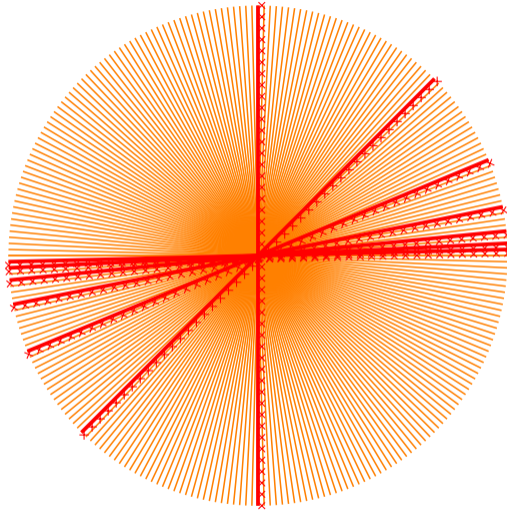
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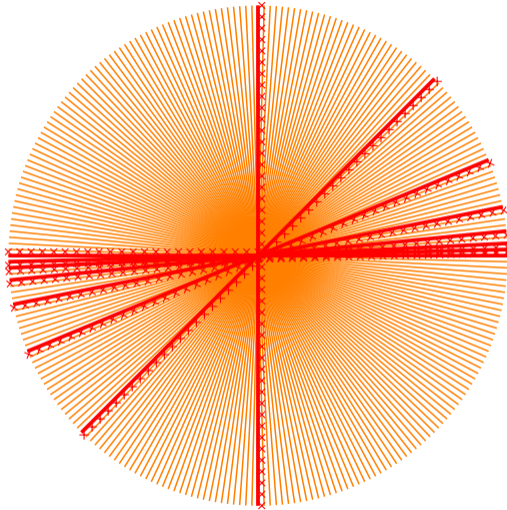
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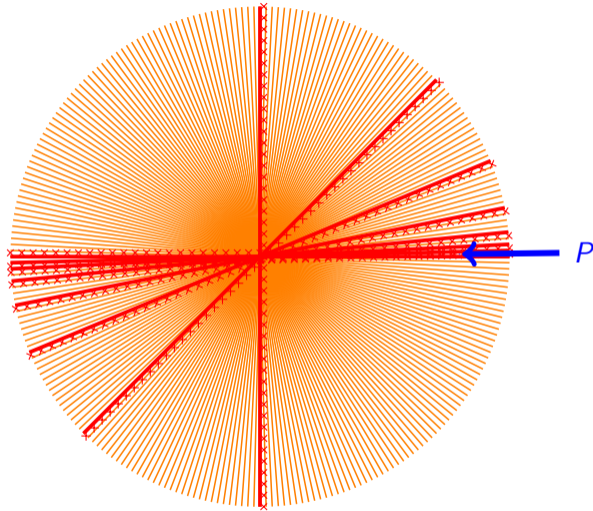
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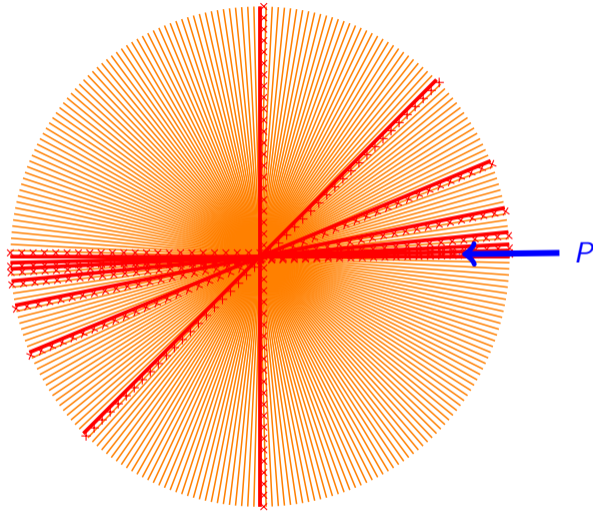
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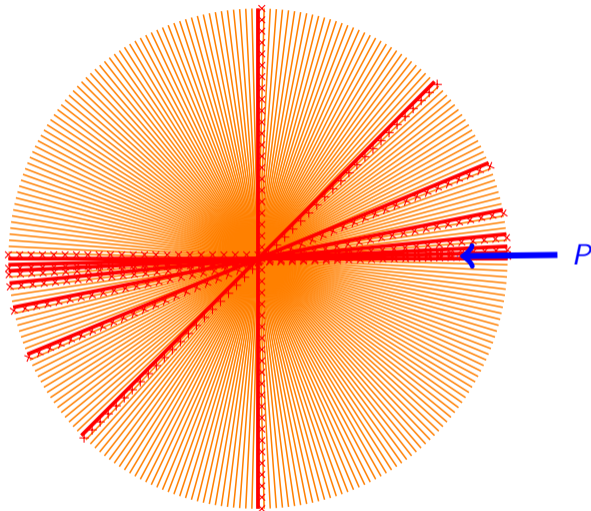
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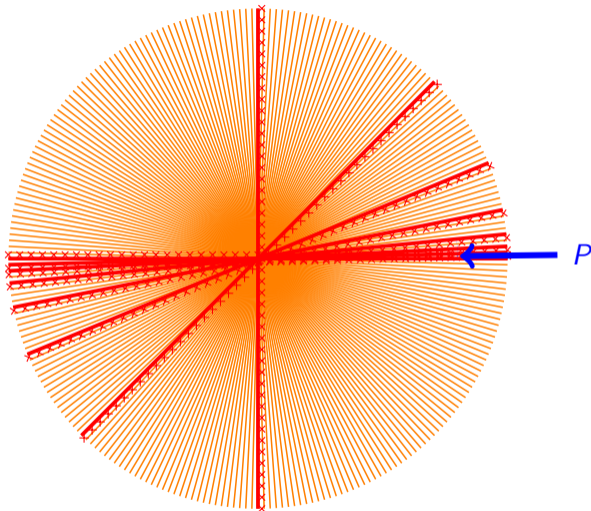


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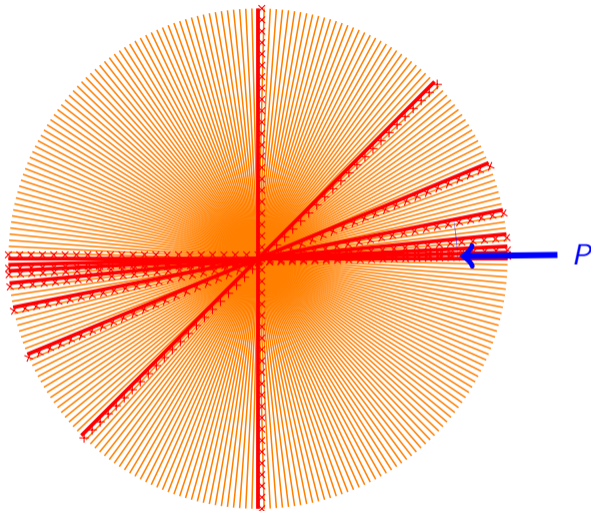
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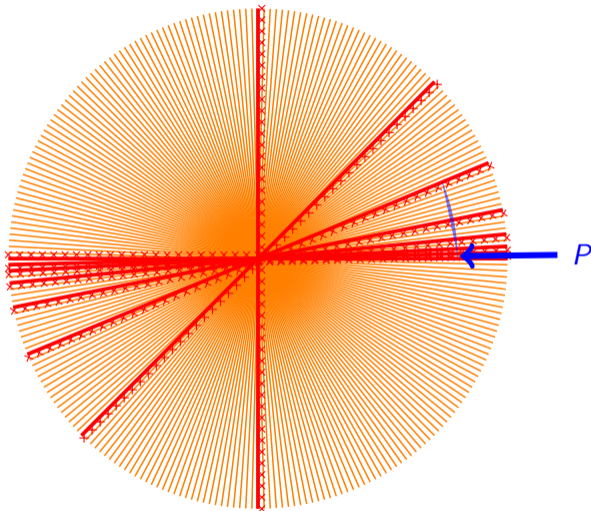
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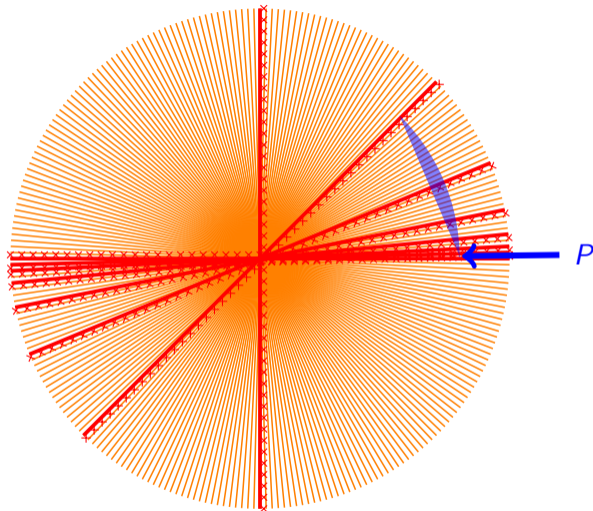
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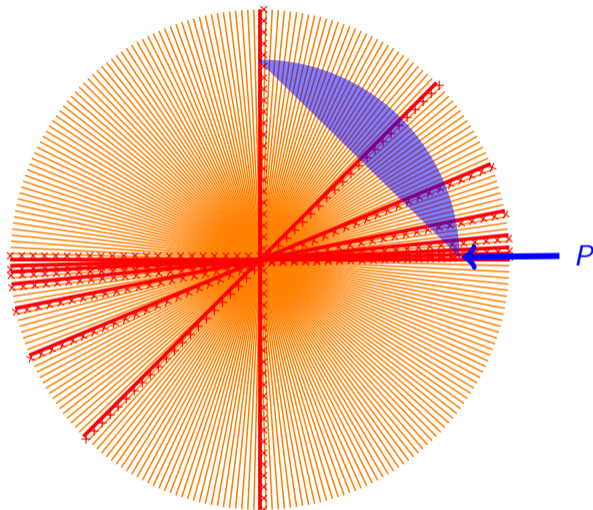
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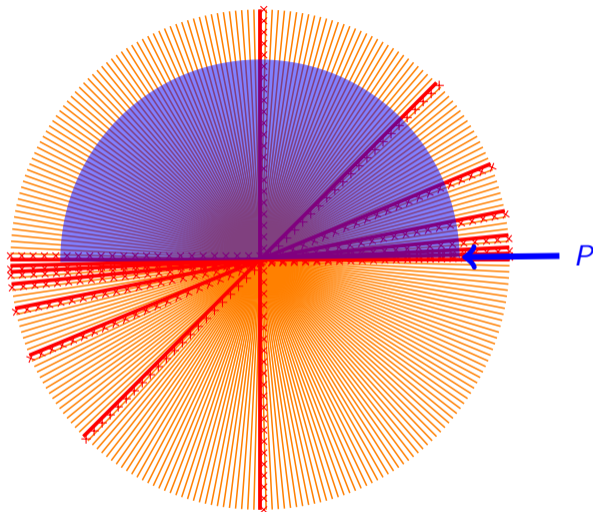
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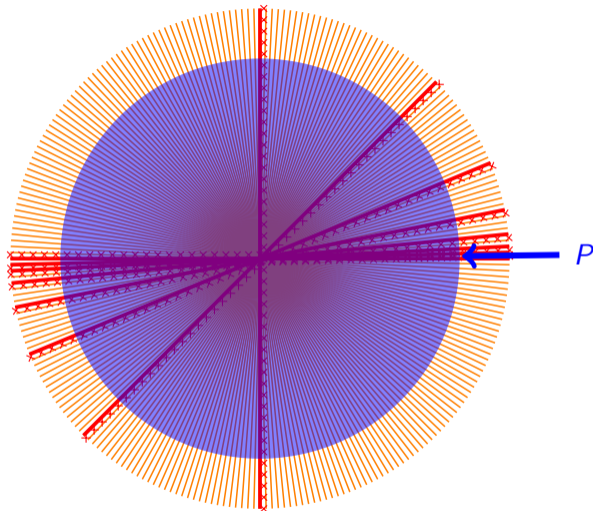
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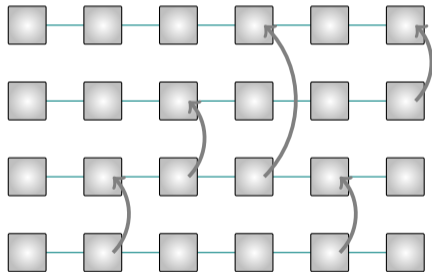
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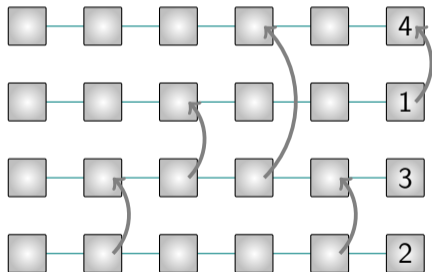
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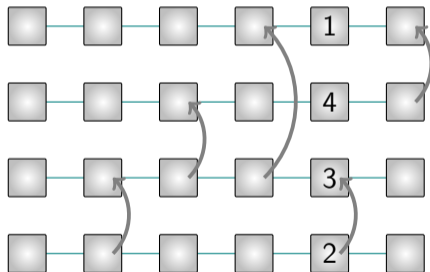
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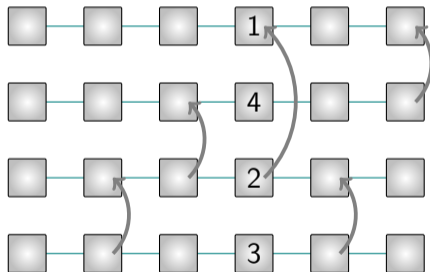
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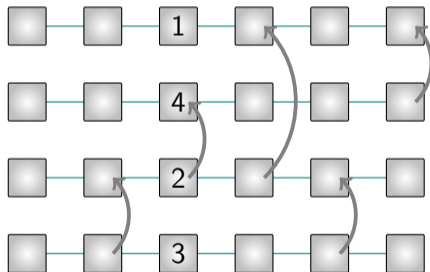
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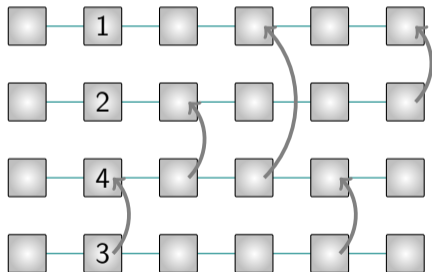
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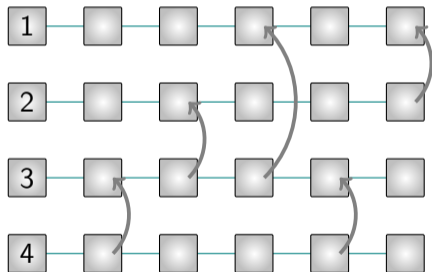
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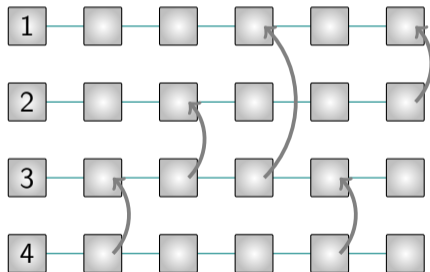
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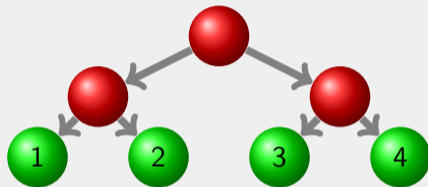
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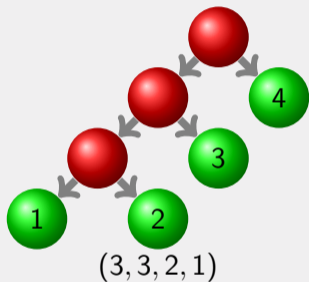
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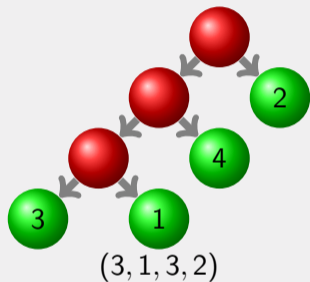
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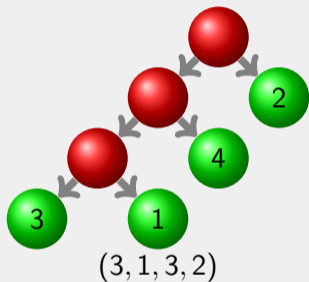
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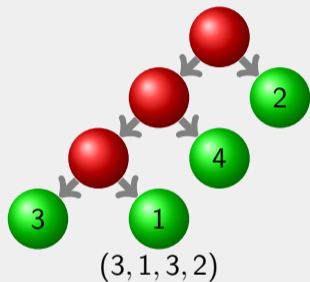
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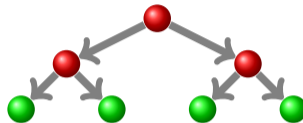
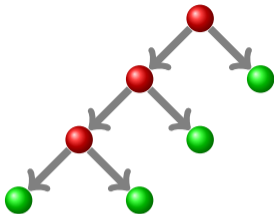


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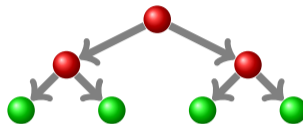
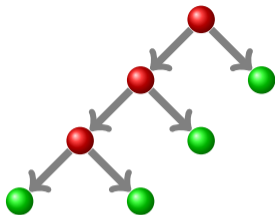
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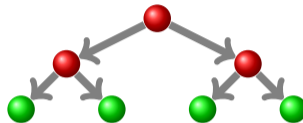
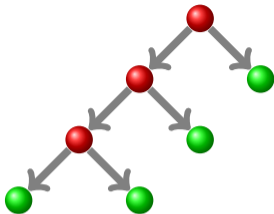


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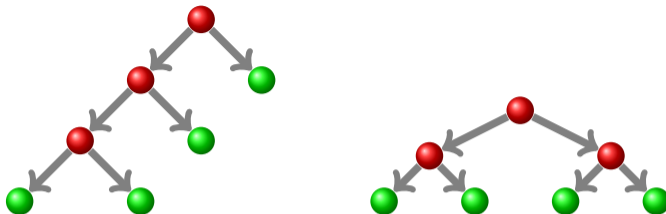
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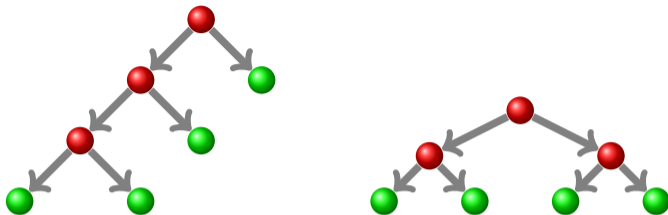
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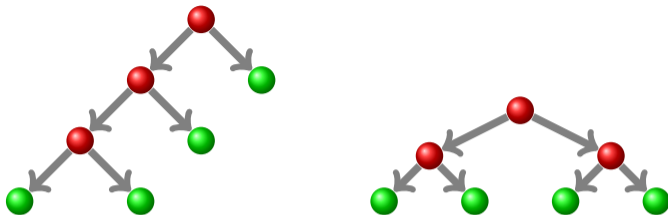
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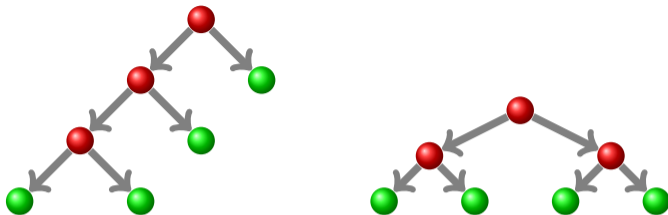
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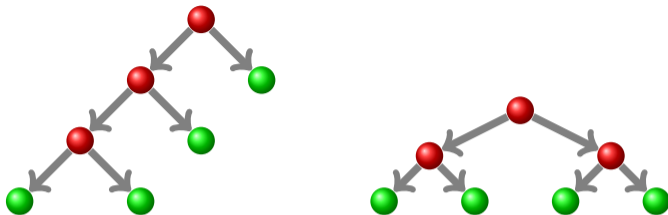
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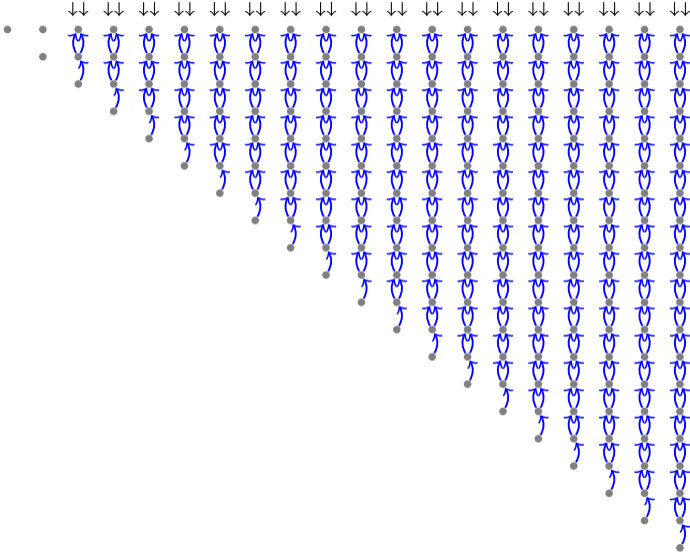


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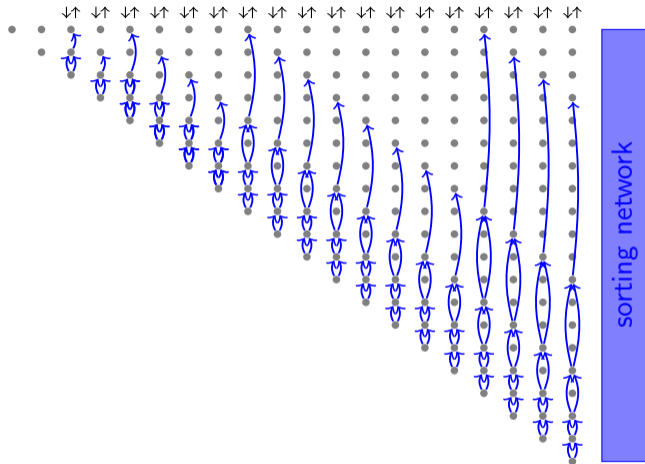
A first extended formulation

$$P_{\text{huff}}^n = \mathcal{R}_{H_{1,2}^{\leq}, \dots, H_{n-1,n}^{\leq}, H_{1,2}^{\leq}, \dots, H_{n-2,n-1}^{\leq}}(\varphi(P_{\text{huff}}^{n-1})).$$

Schematic View on the Construction



A Better Construction



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Thanks for your attention.