

# Searching for uniquely saturated (and strongly regular) graphs with coupled augmentations<sup>1</sup>

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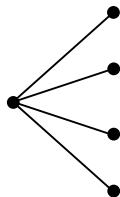
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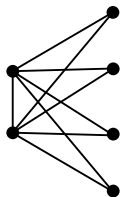
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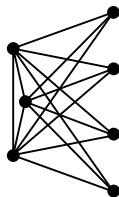
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(c) 3-book

**Figure:** The  $(r - 2)$ -books are uniquely  $K_r$  saturated.

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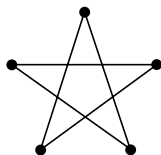
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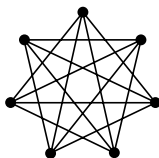
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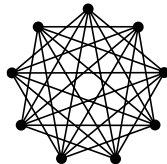
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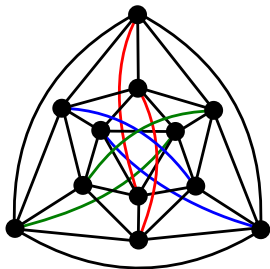
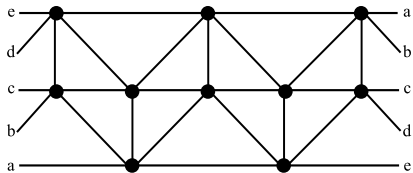


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For  $r \geq 1$ ,  $\overline{C_{2r-1}}$  is  $r$ -primitive.



Previously known 4-primitive graphs



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**NO!** Exists an irregular 5-primitive graph on 16 vertices!

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**Value-preserving** permutations reflect the automorphisms of a partial assignment.

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Introduced by Ostrowski, Linderoth, Rossi, and Smriglio (2007) for symmetric optimization problems such as covering and packing.

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i.e. for every non-edge we add, we add a  **$K_r$ -completion**.

Also, we set  $x_{i,j} = 0$  if it has a  $K_r$ -completion.



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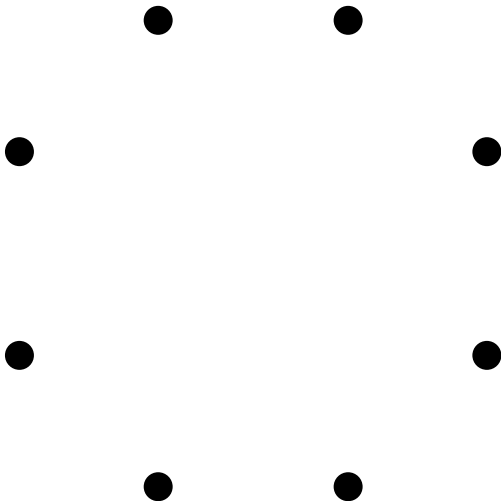
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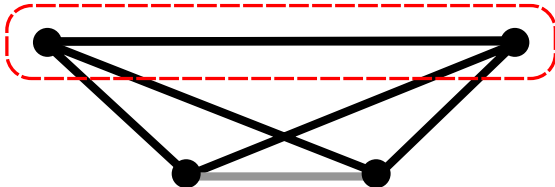
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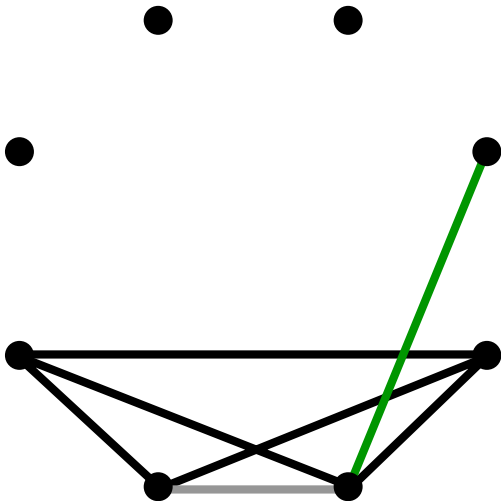
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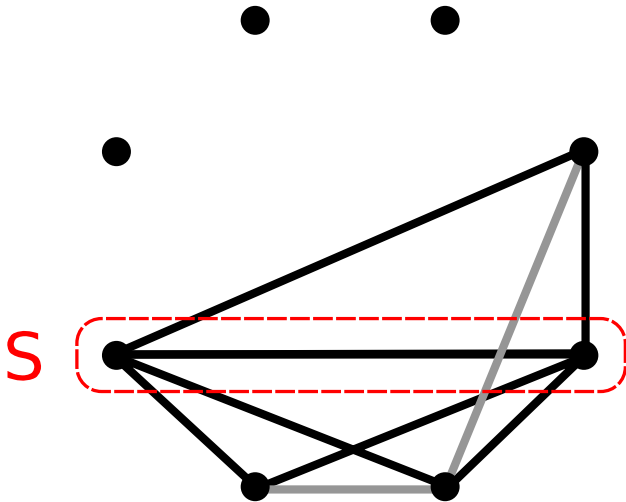
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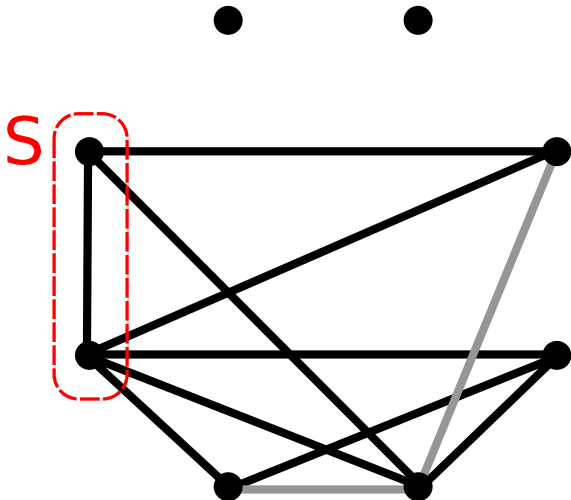
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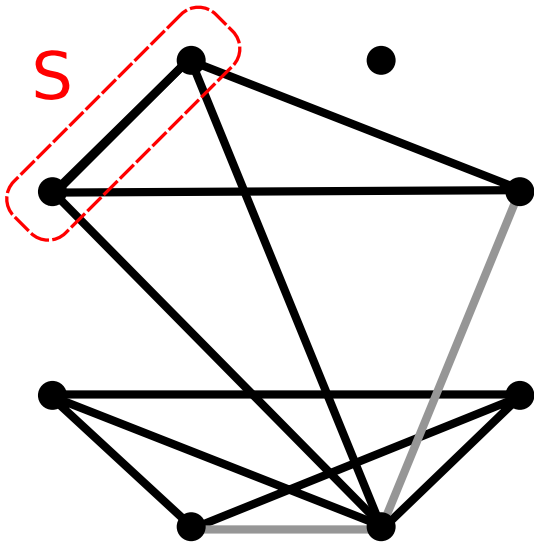


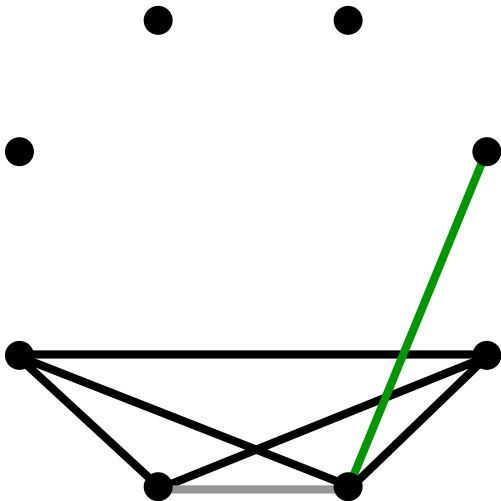


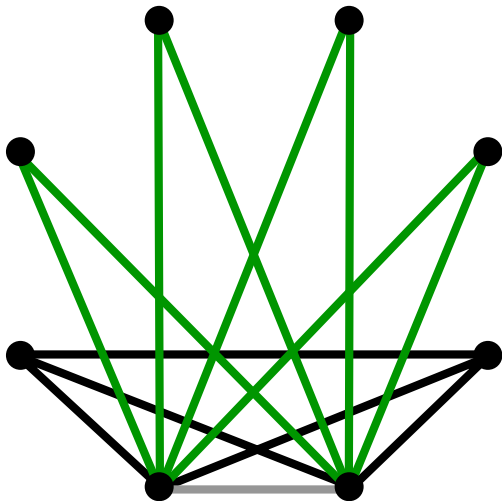


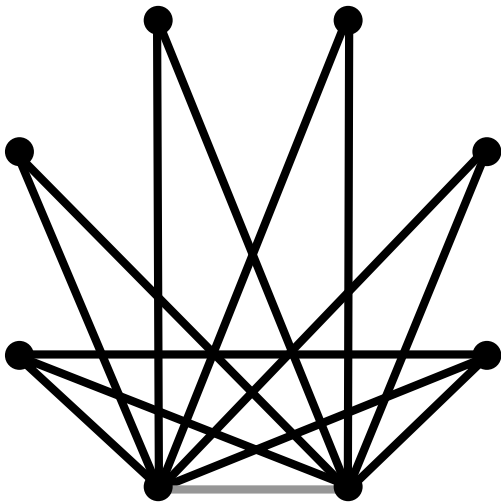












## Search Times

$n$	$r = 4$	$r = 5$	$r = 6$	$r = 7$	$r = 8$
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11	0.68 s	5.25 s	1.91 s	0.28 s	0.09 s
12	4.58 s	1.60 m	25.39 s	1.97 s	1.12 s
13	34.66 s	34.54 m	6.53 m	59.94 s	20.03 s
14	4.93 m	10.39 h	5.13 h	20.66 m	2.71 m
15	40.59 m	23.49 d	10.08 d	12.28 h	1.22 h
16	6.34 h	1.58 y	1.74 y	34.53 d	1.88 d
17	3.44 d			8.76 y	115.69 d
18	53.01 d				
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Total CPU times using Open Science Grid.

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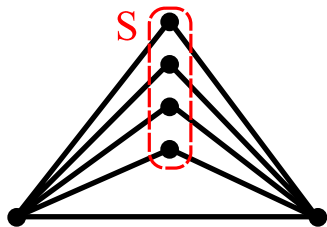
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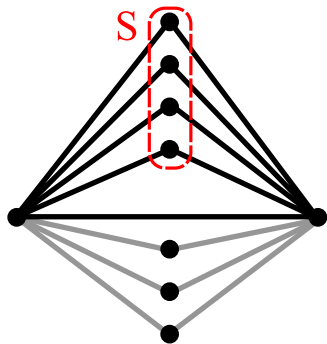
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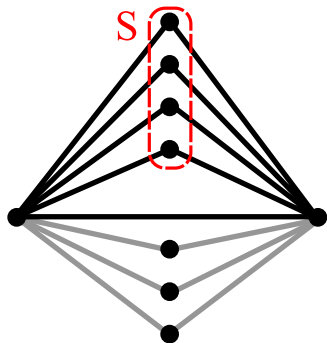
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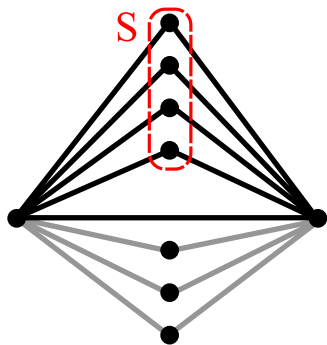
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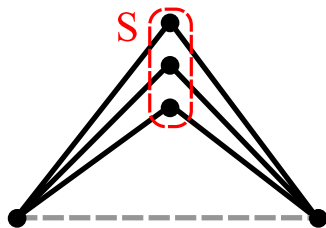
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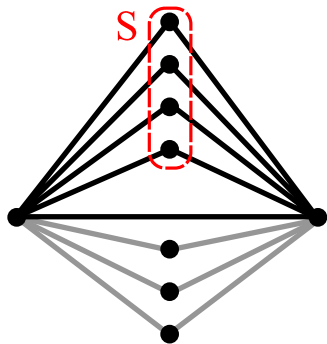
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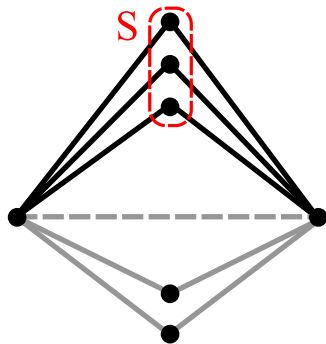
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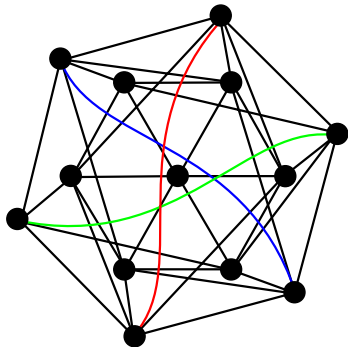
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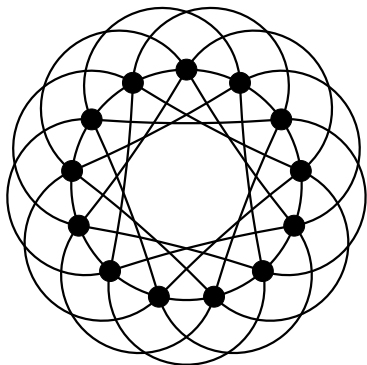
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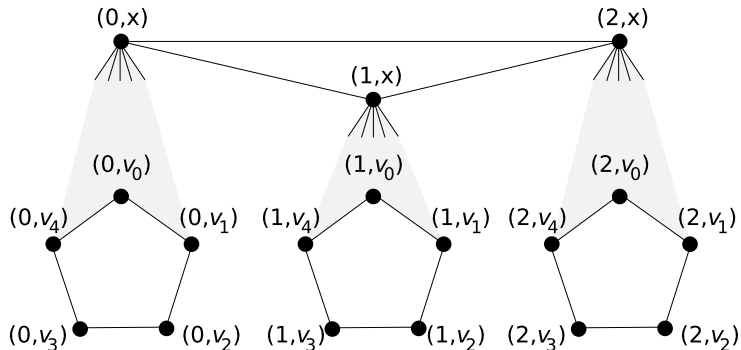
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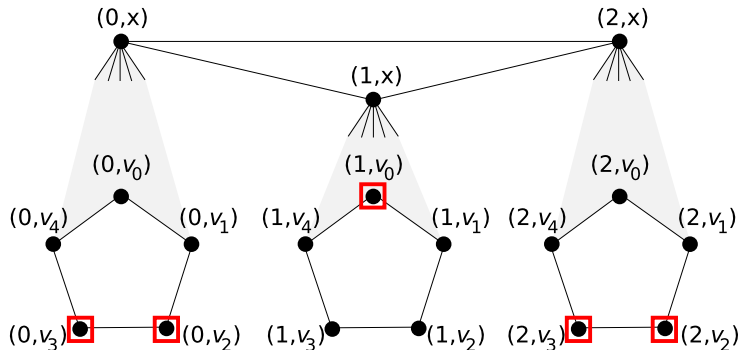
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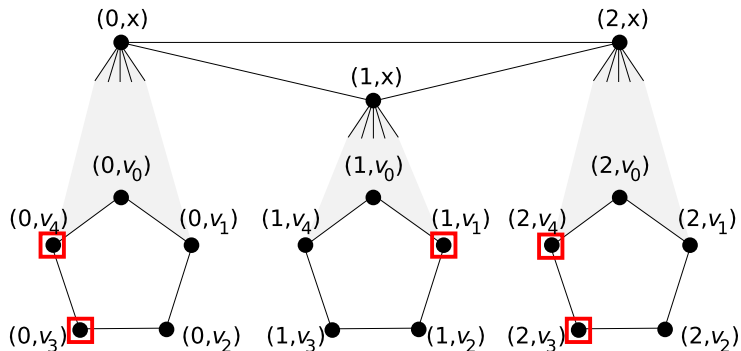
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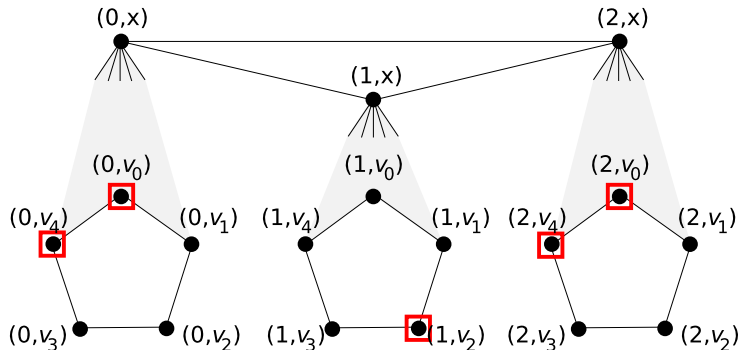
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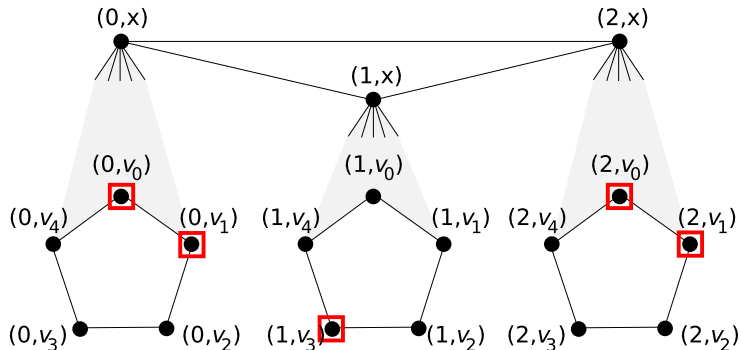
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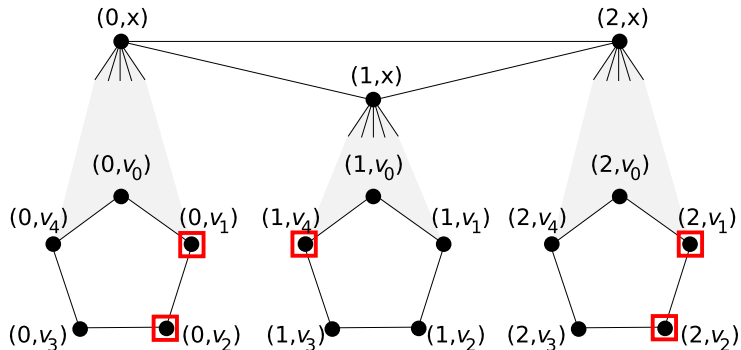
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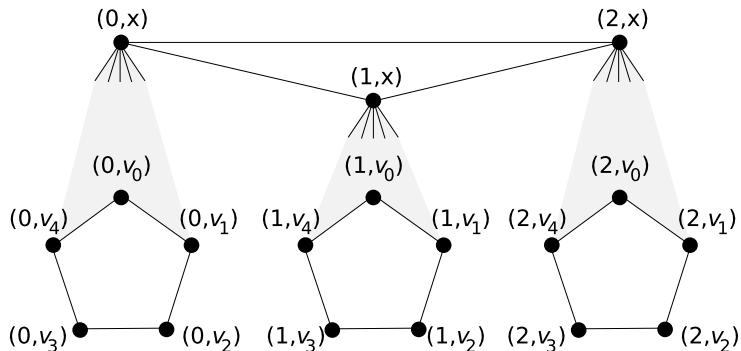
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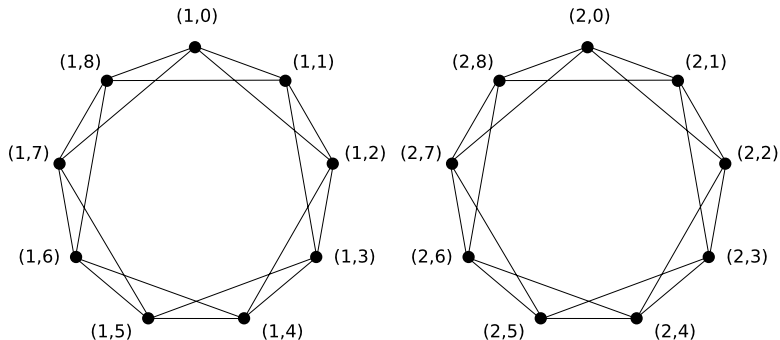
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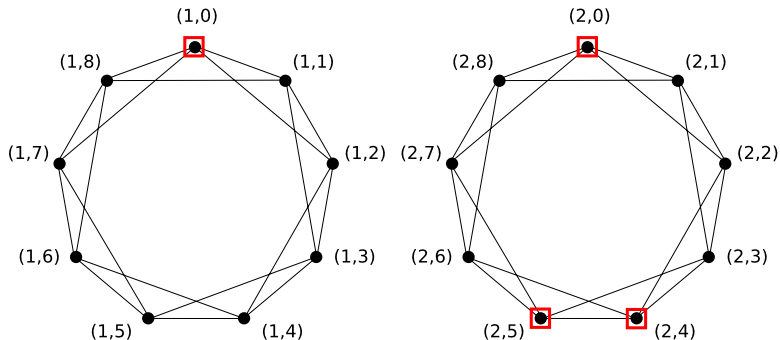
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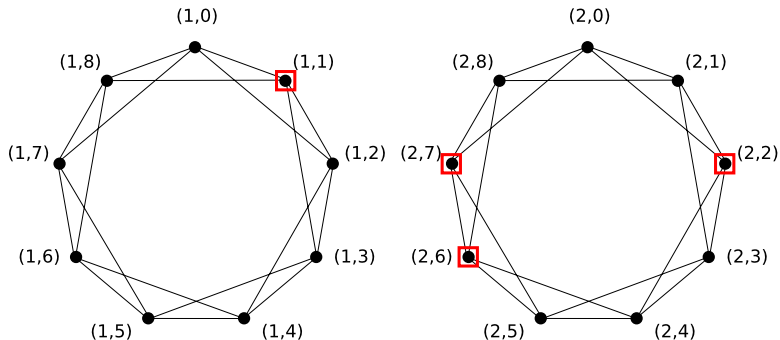
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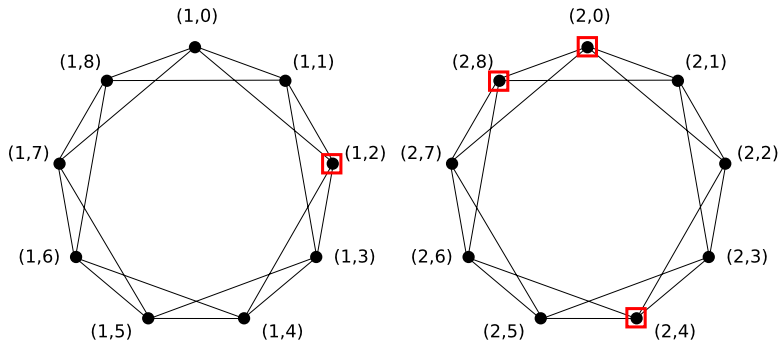
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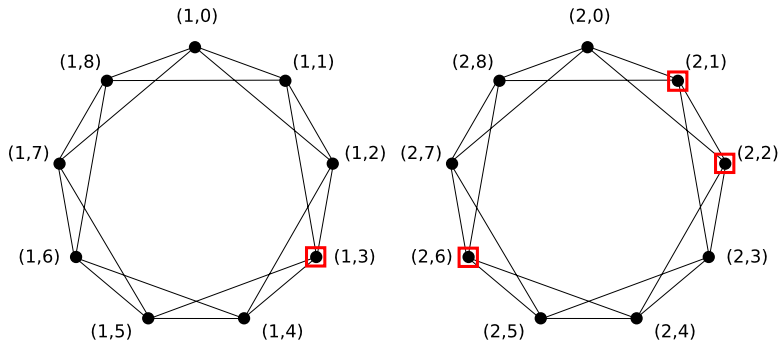
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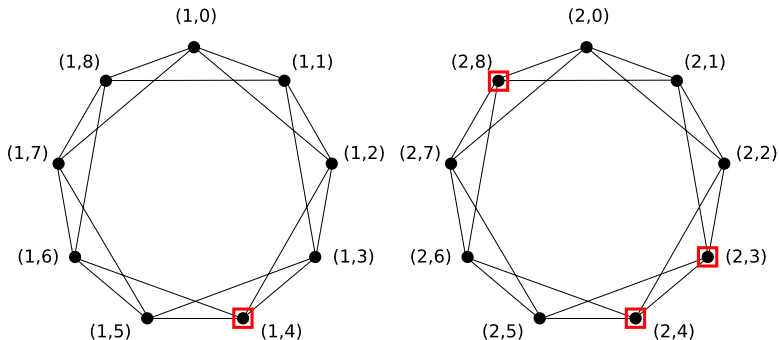
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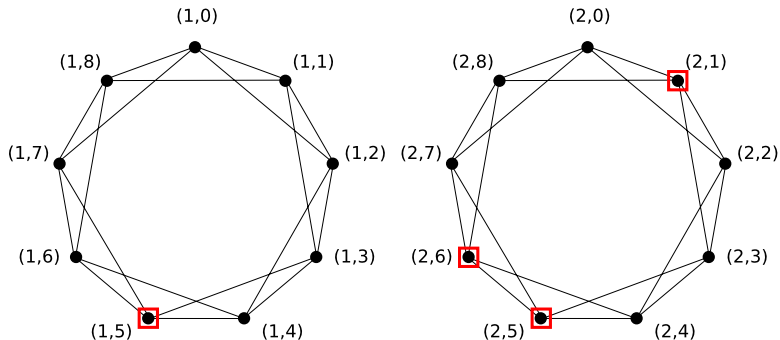
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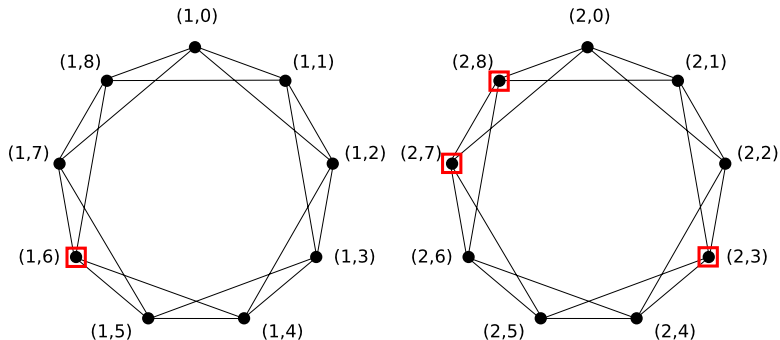
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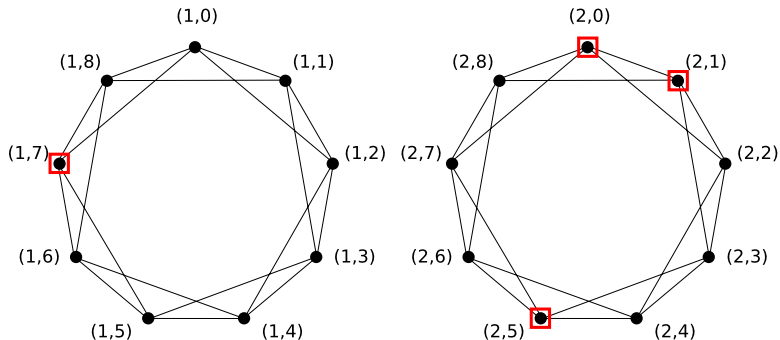
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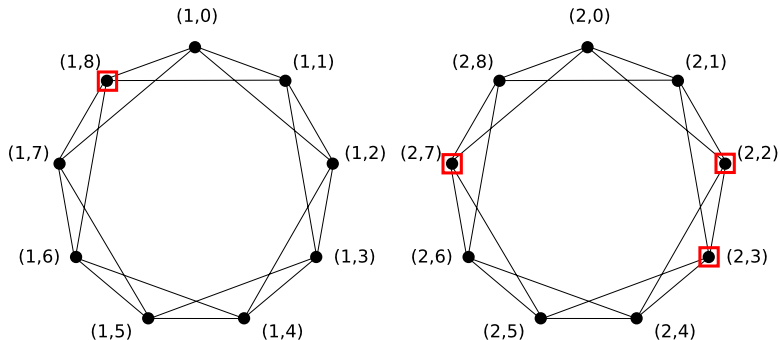
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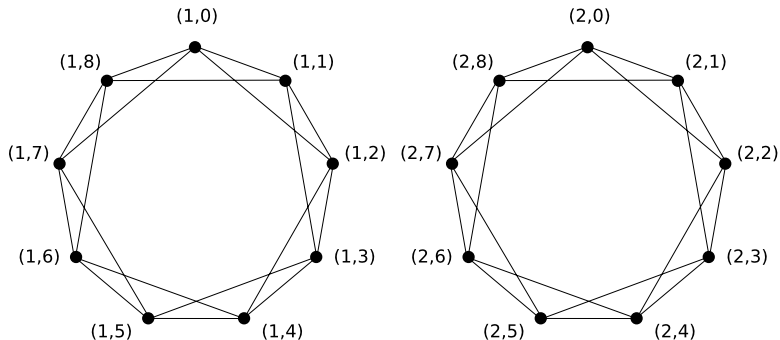
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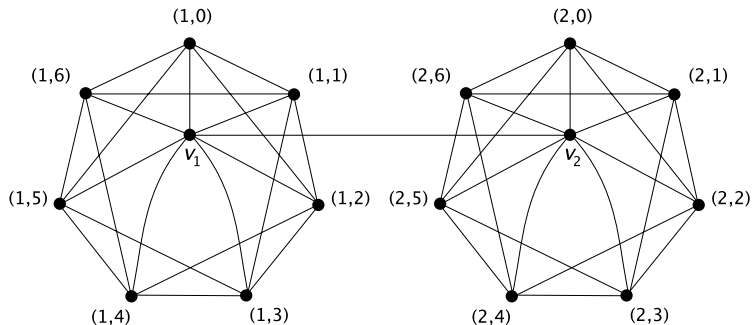
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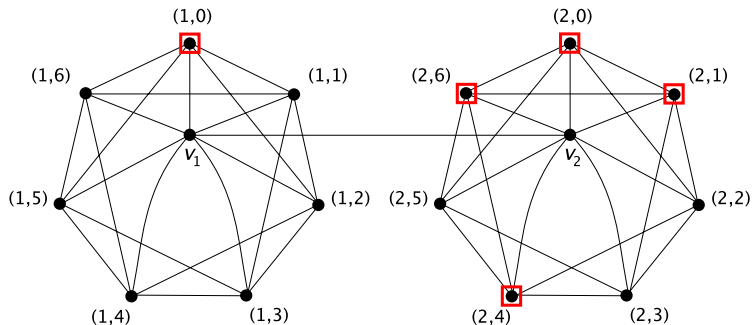
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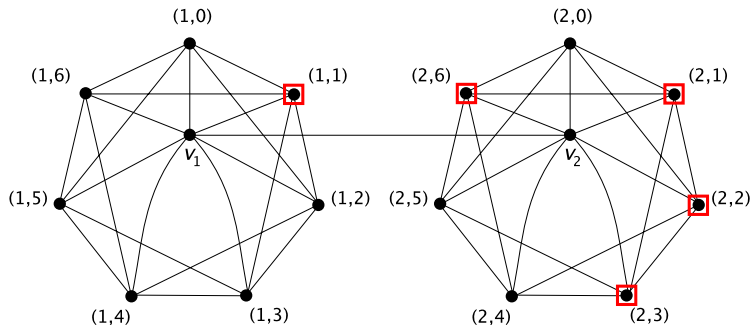
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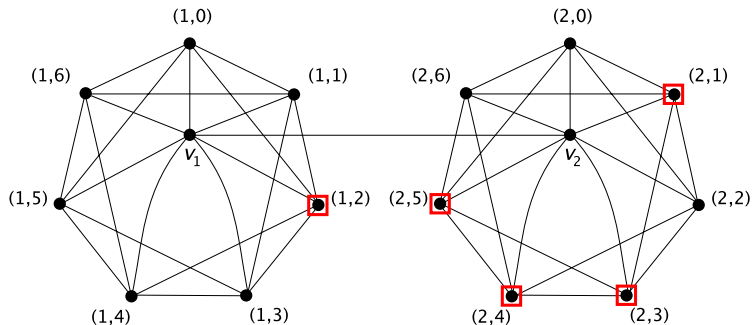
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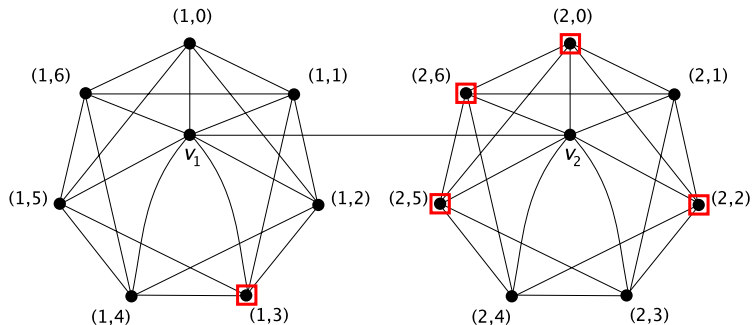
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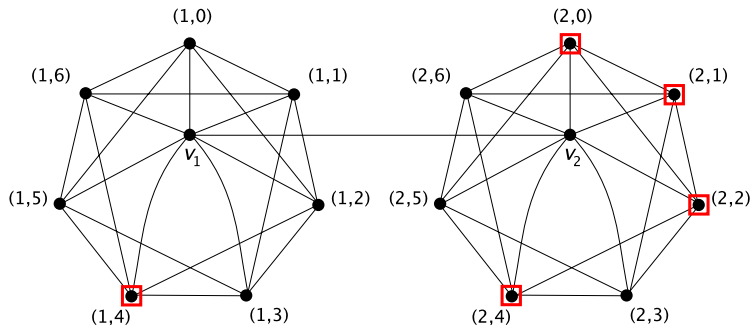
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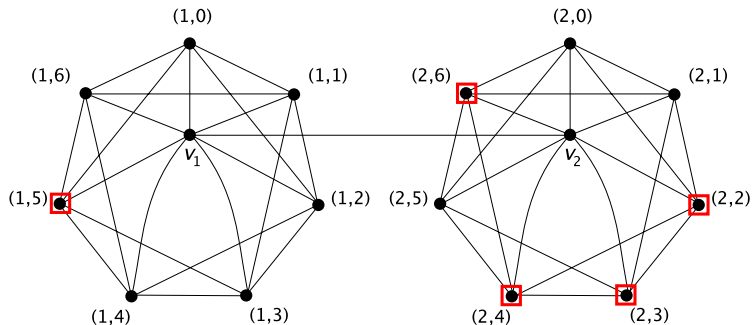
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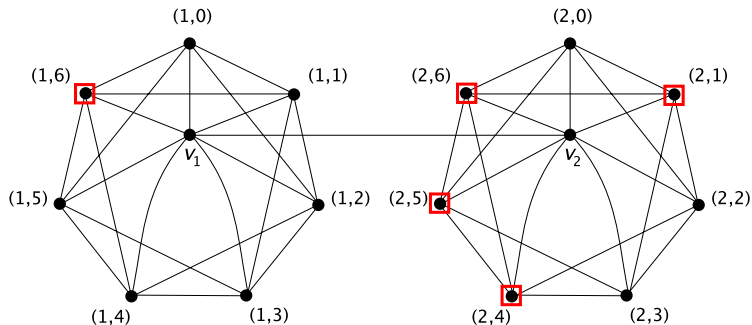
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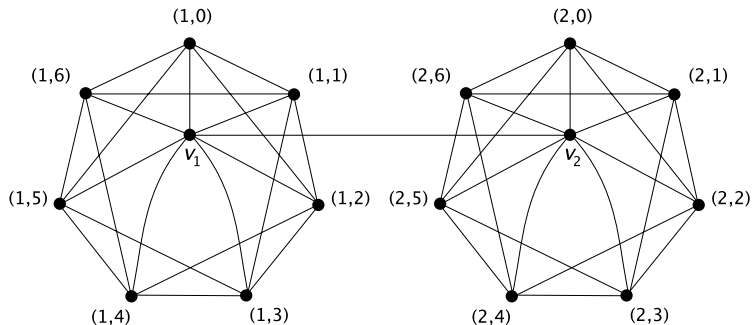
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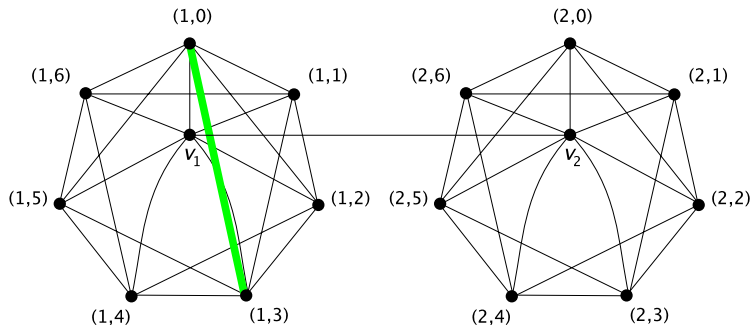
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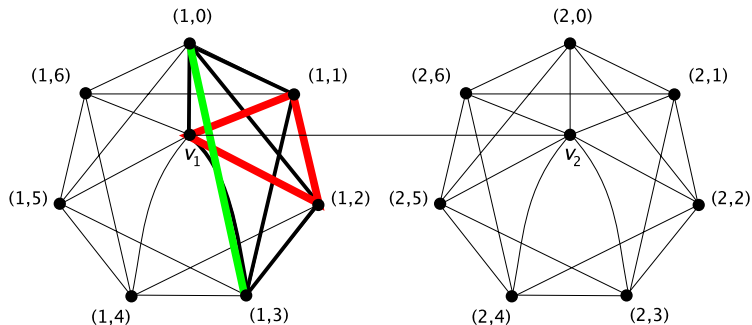
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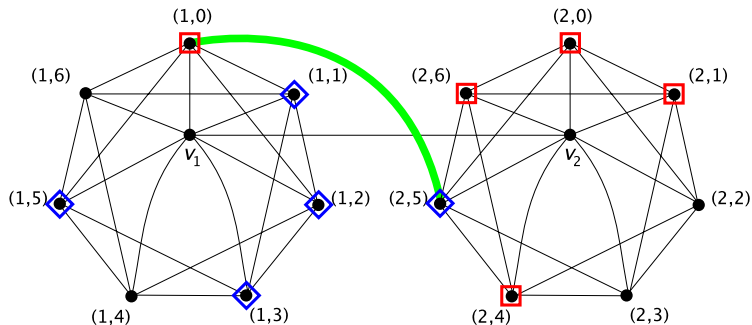
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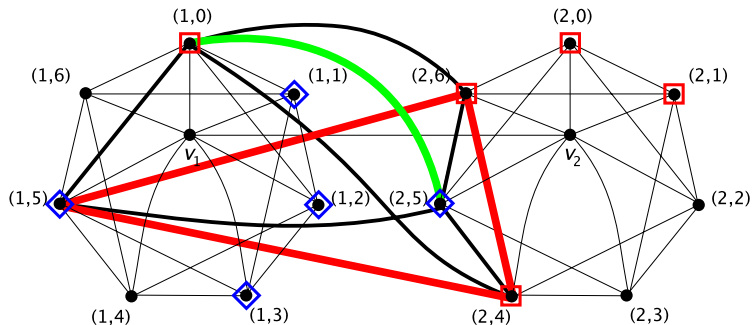
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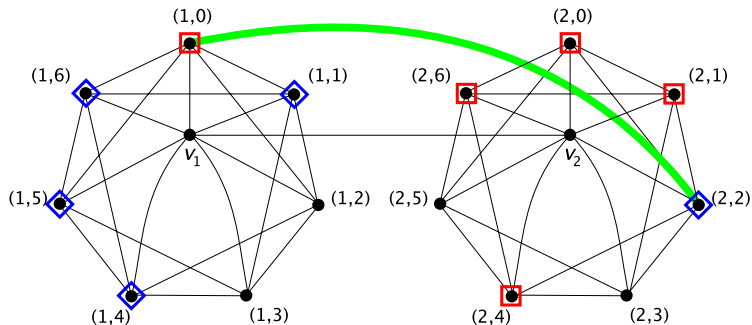
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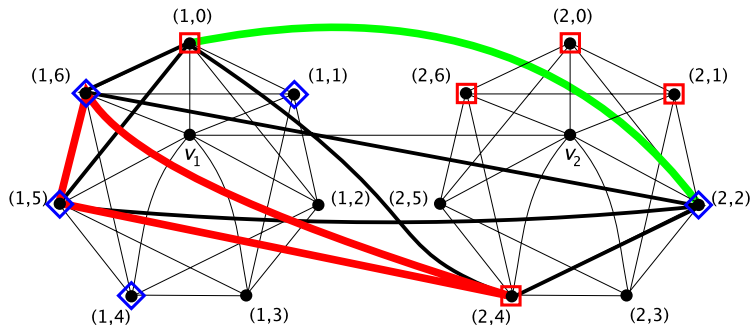
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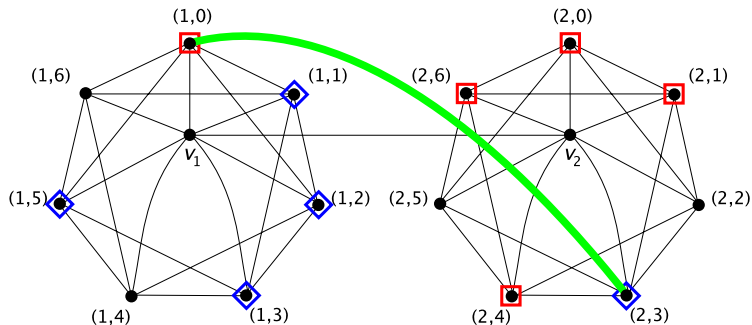
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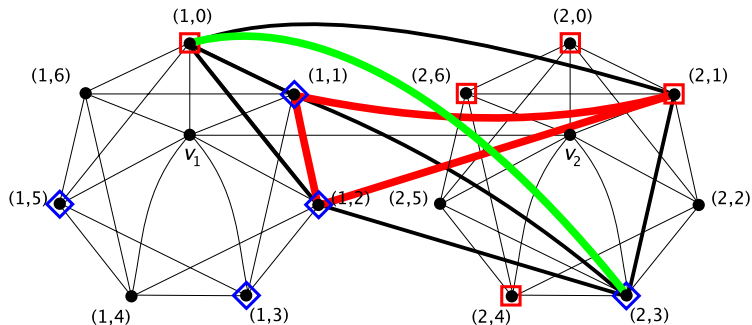
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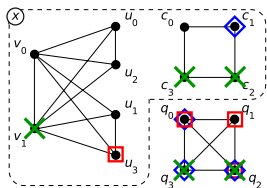


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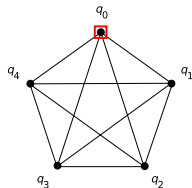
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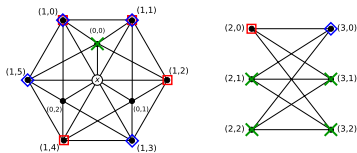
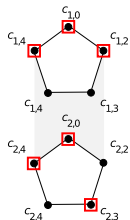
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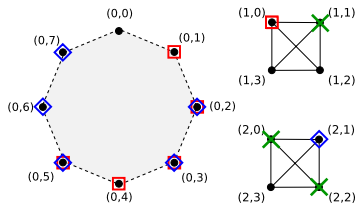
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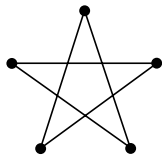
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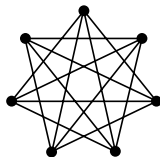
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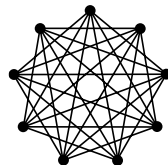
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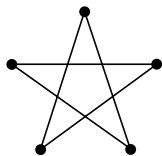
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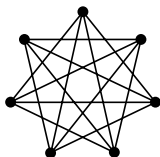
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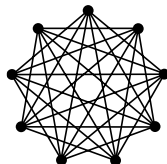
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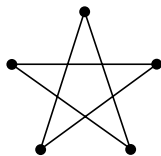


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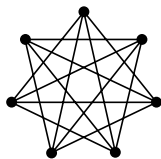
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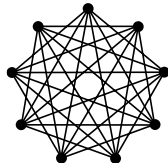
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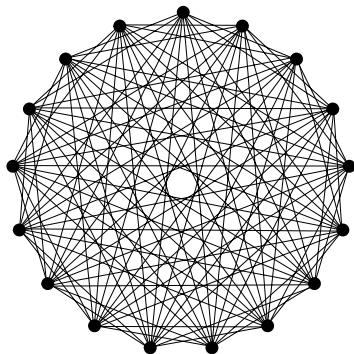
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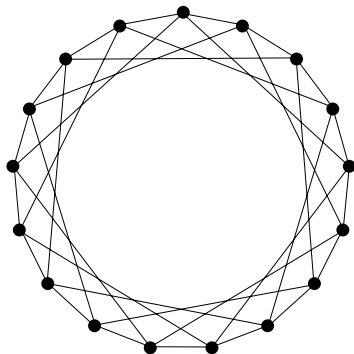
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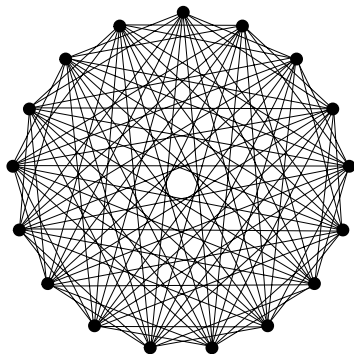
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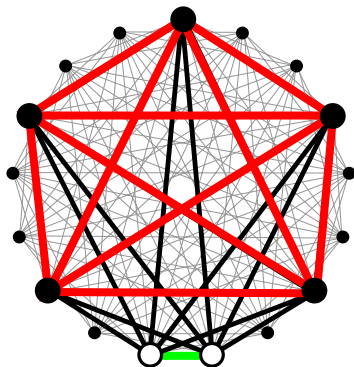
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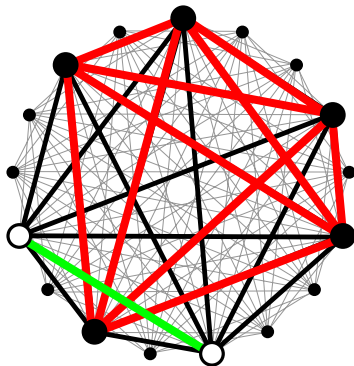
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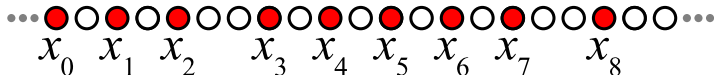
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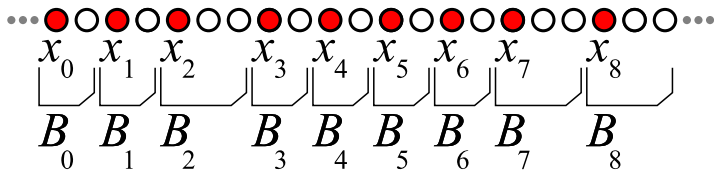
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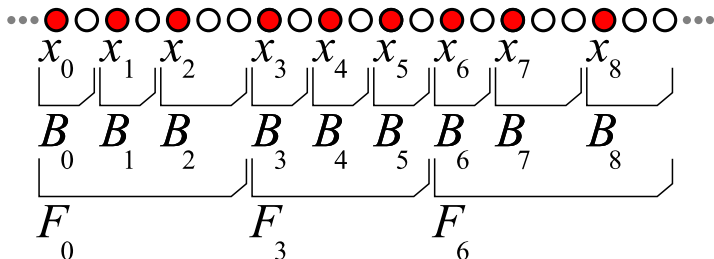
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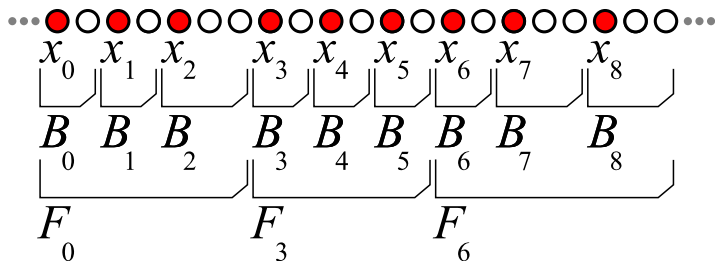
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