

Holant, Dichotomy Theorems, and Interpolation

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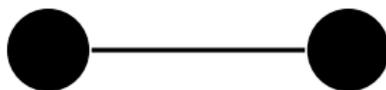
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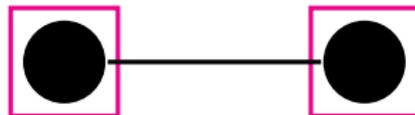
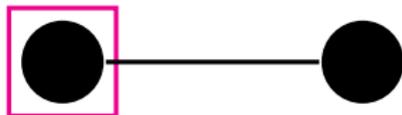
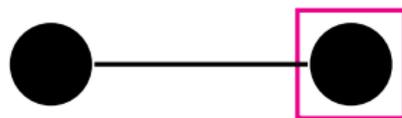
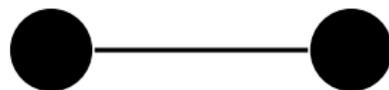
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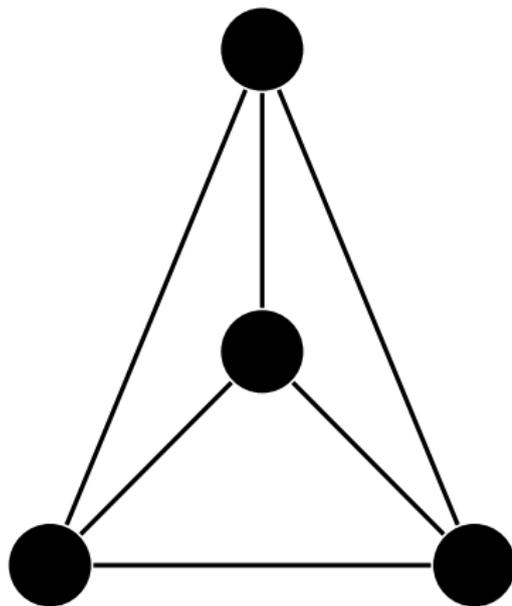


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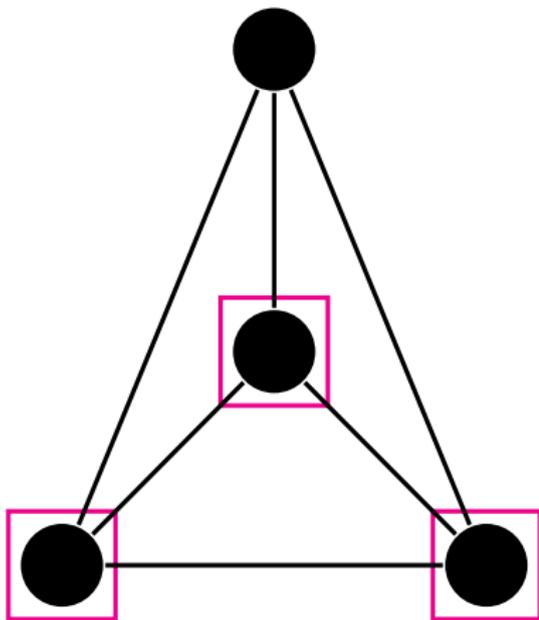


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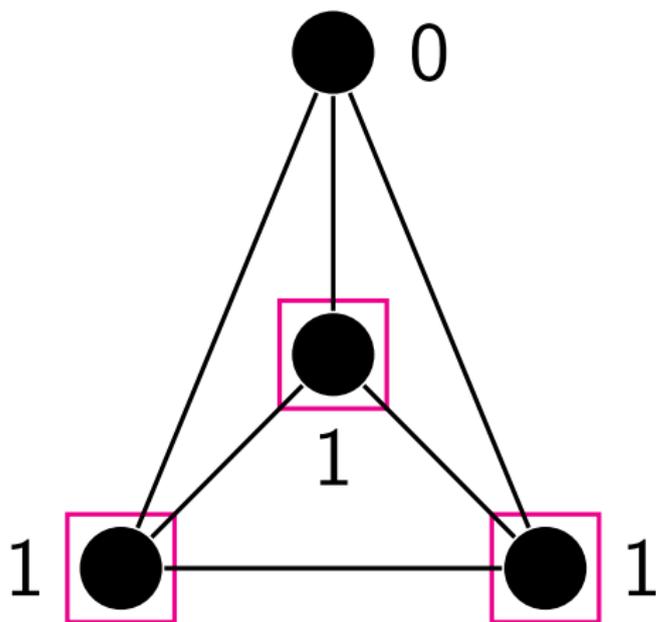
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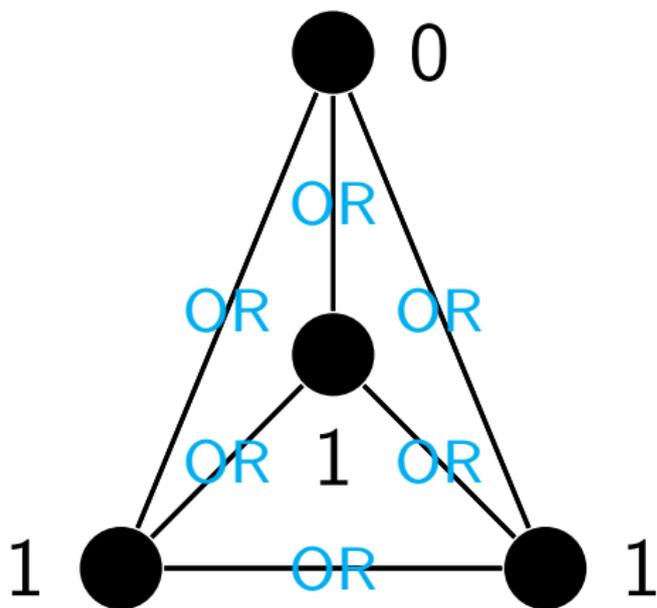
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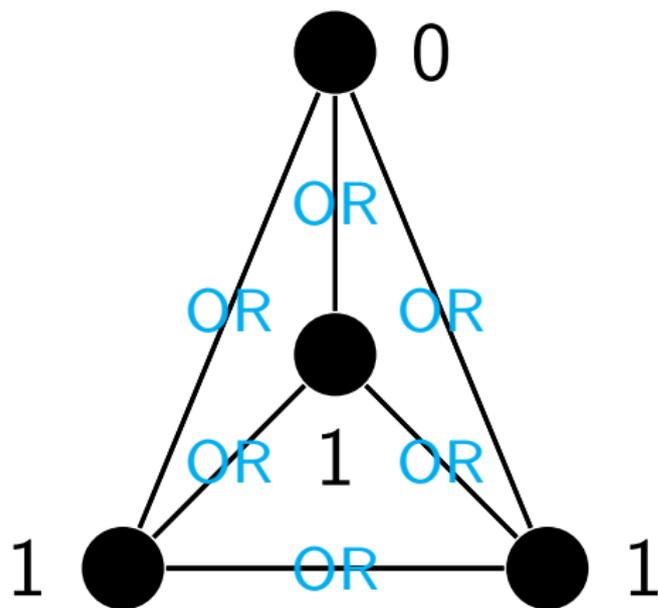
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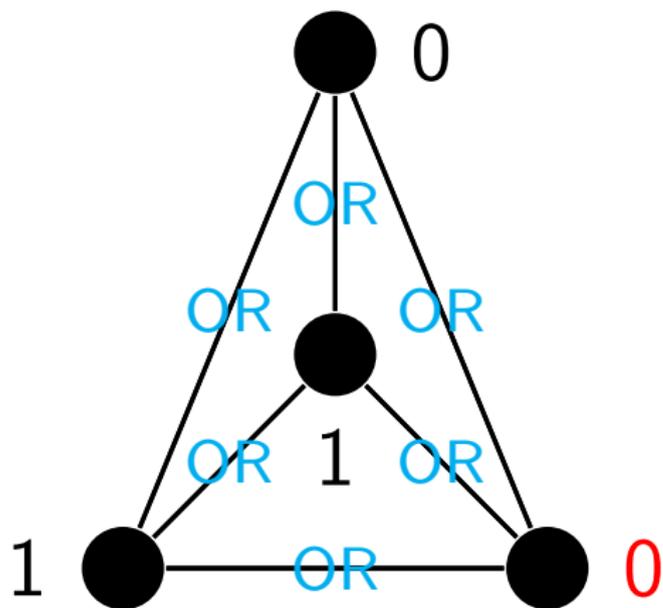
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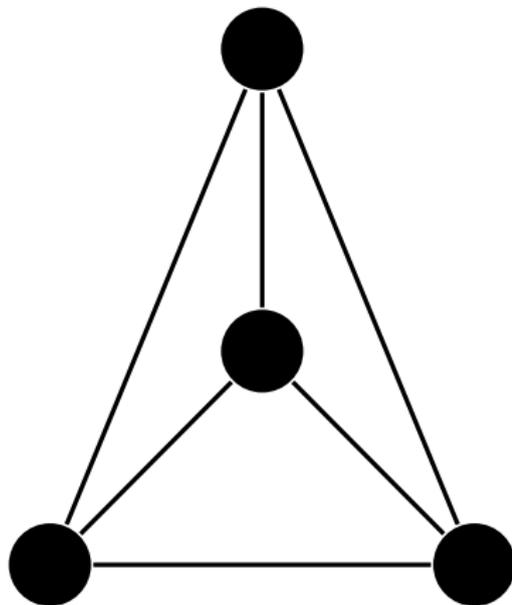
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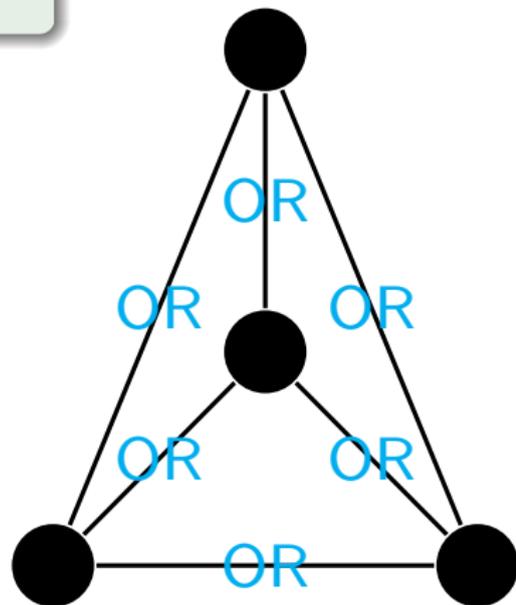


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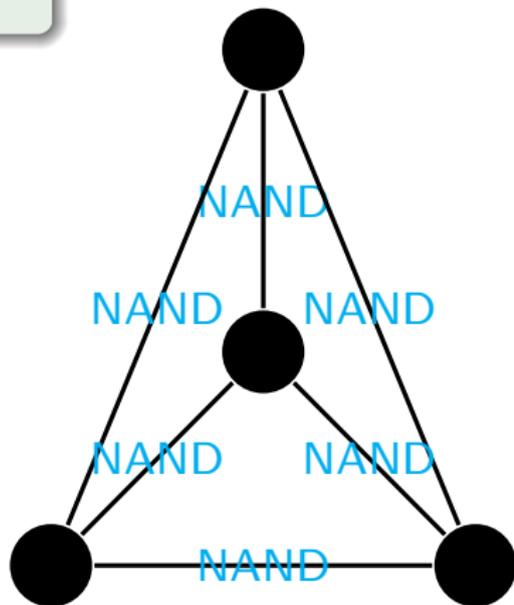
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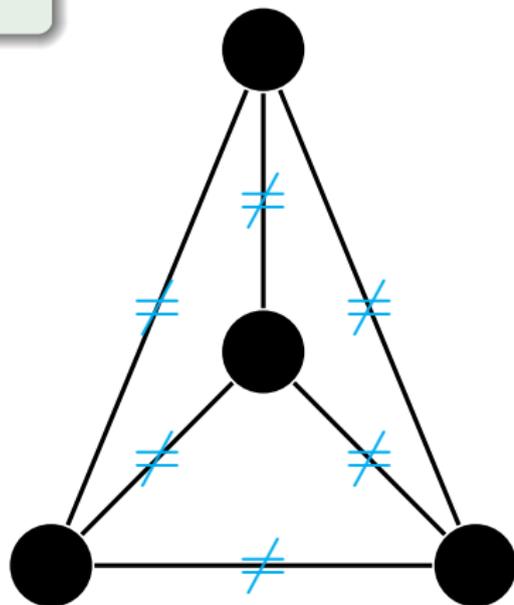
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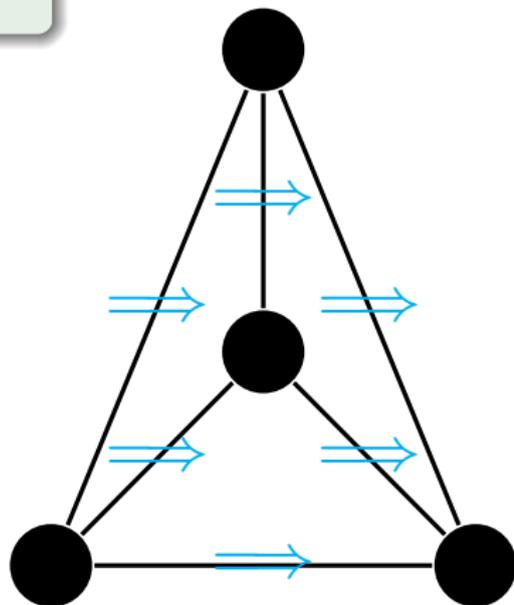
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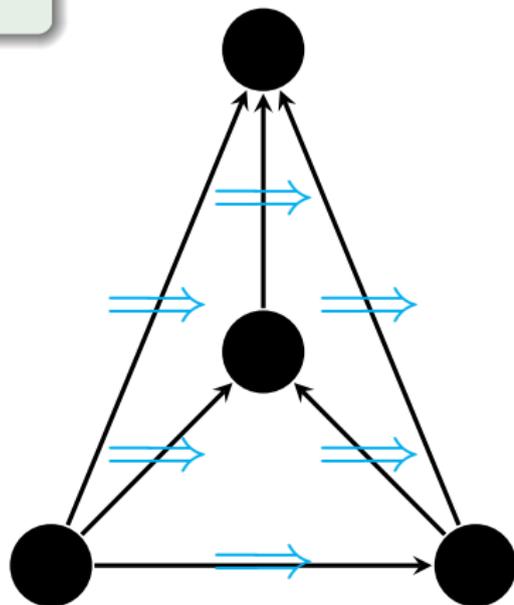
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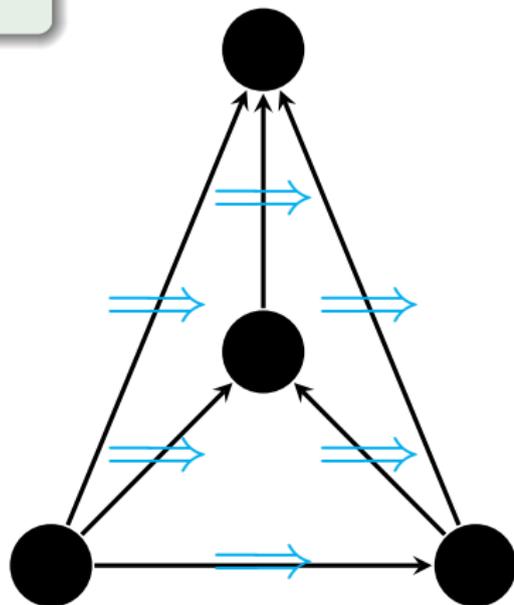
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where $w, x, y, z \in \mathbb{C}$

Partition Function:

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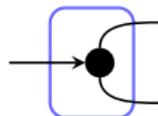
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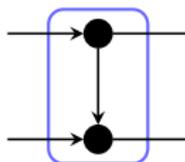
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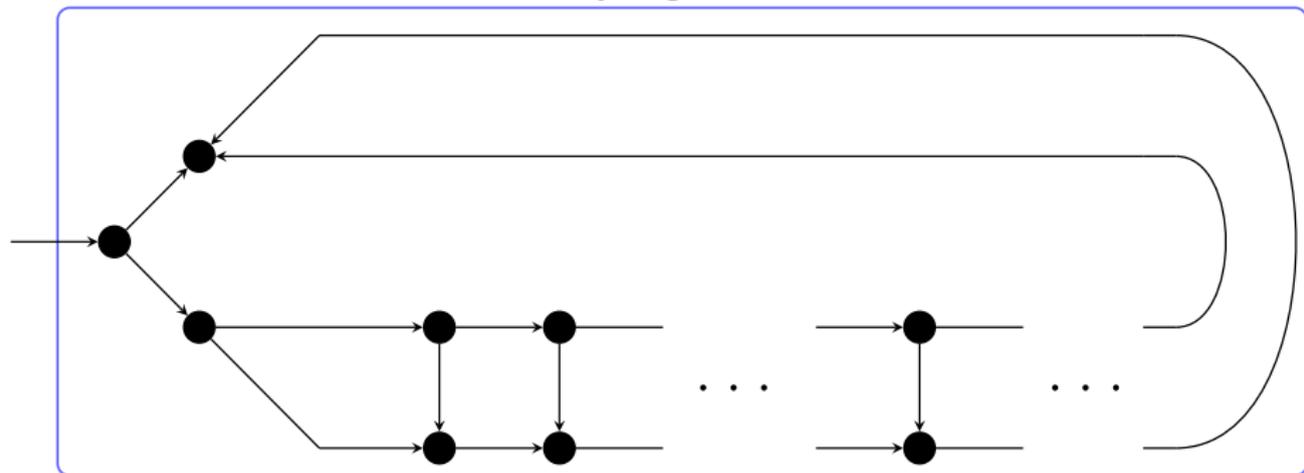
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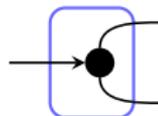


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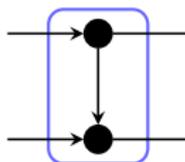


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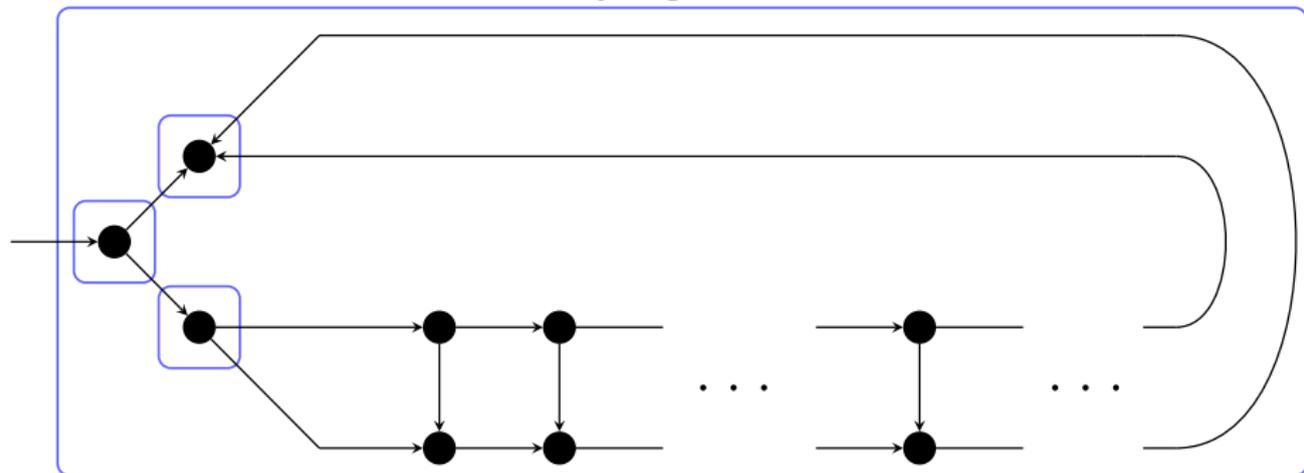
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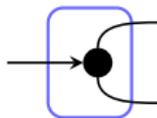


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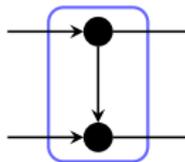


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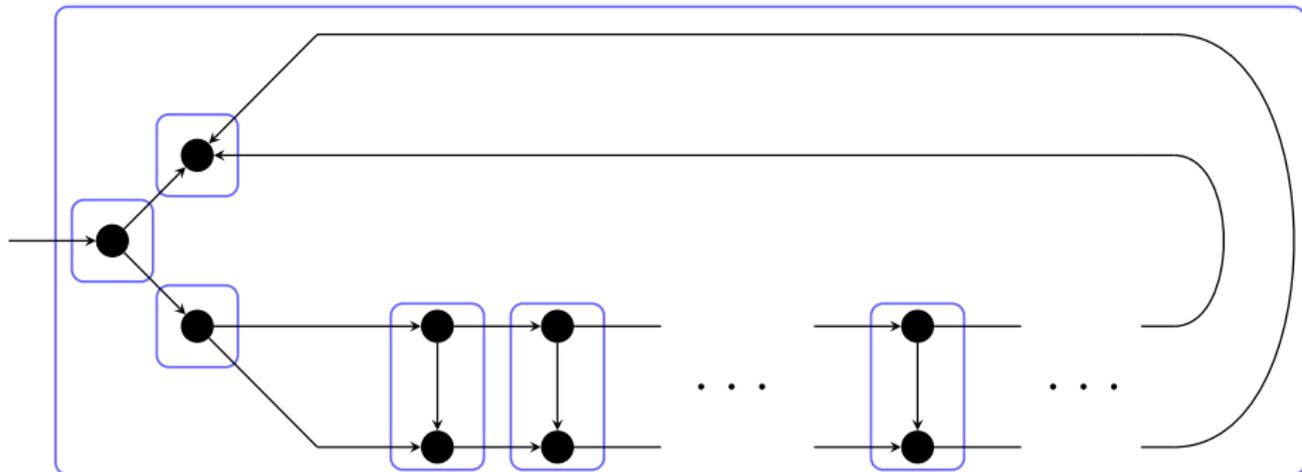
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Consider matrix **powers** of a single matrix.

If this matrix has this property, then we are done.

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Otherwise, some power k is a multiple of the identity matrix.

Using only $k - 1$ compositions creates an **anti-gadget**.

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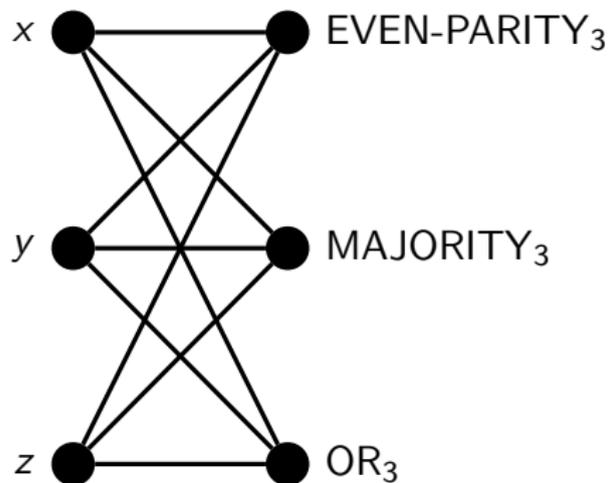
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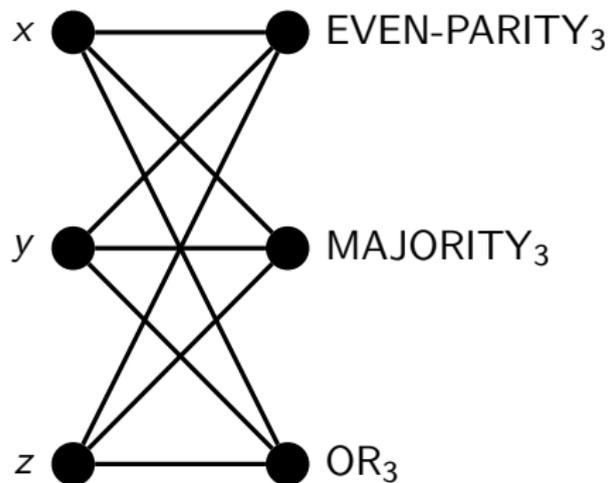
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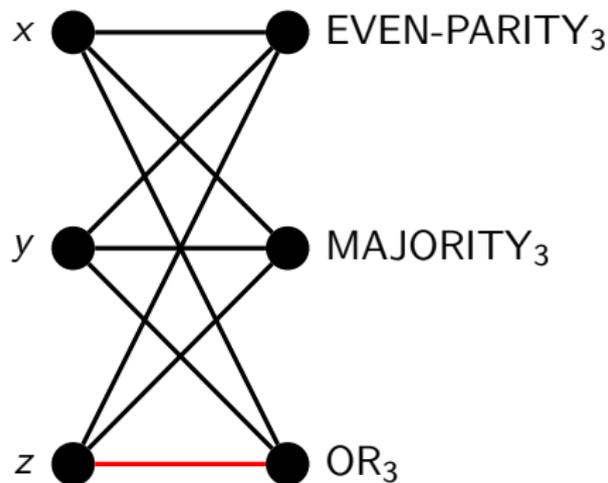


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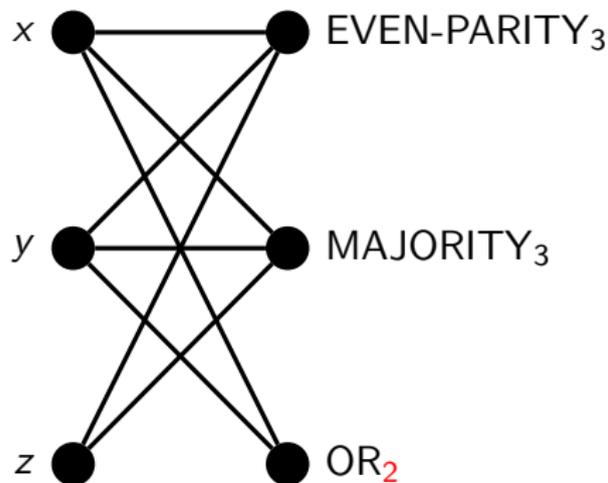


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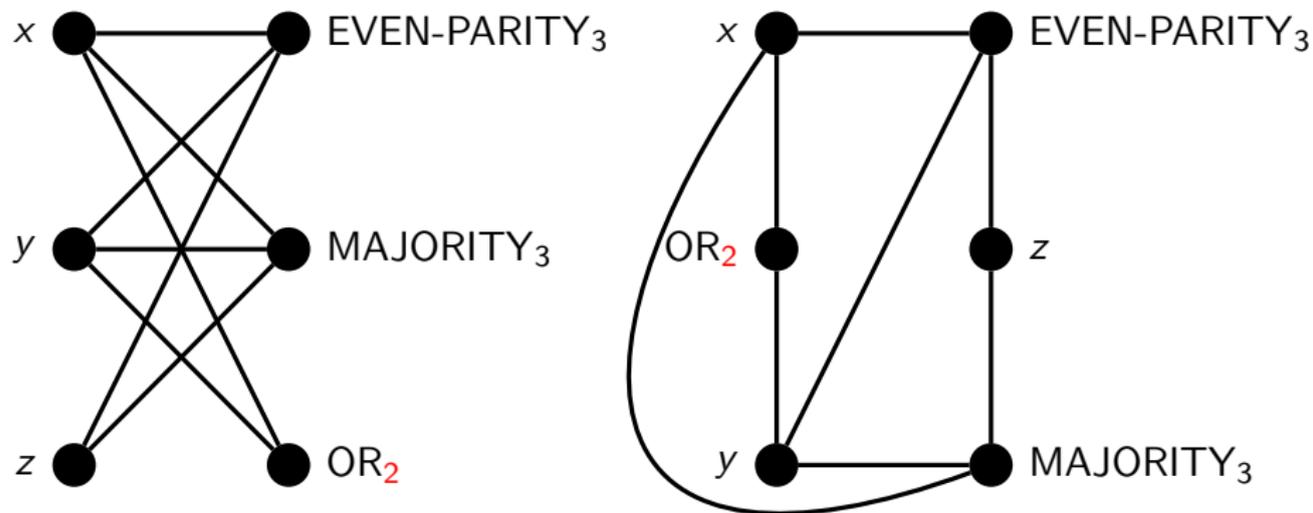
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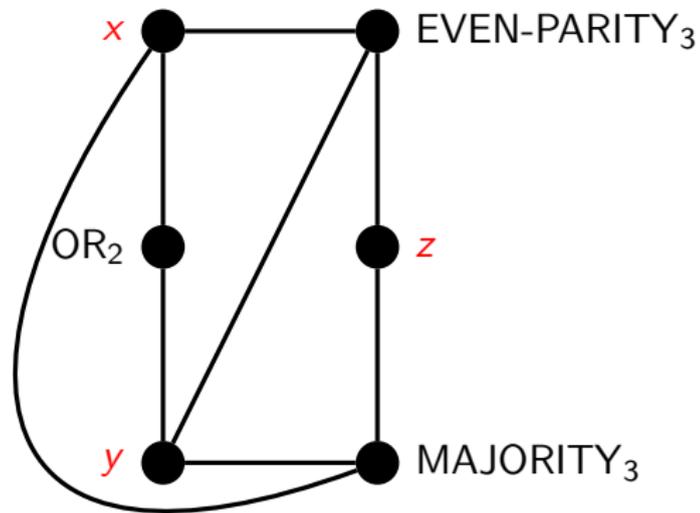
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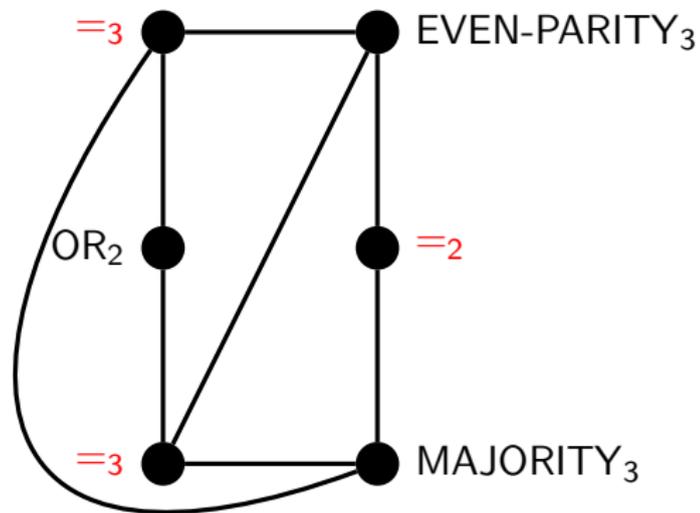
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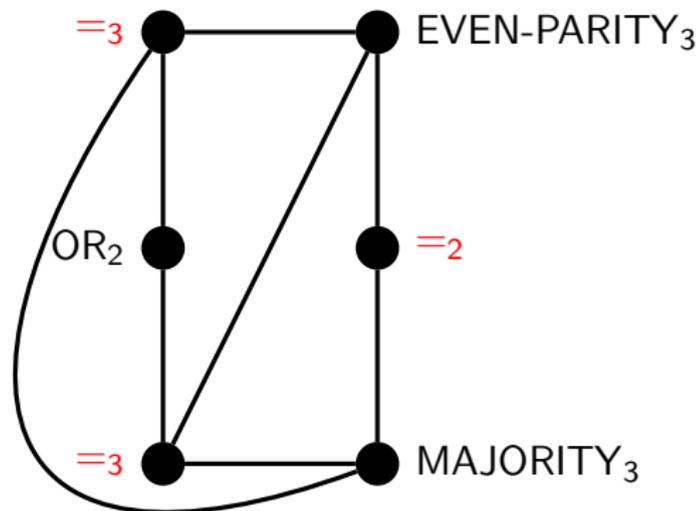
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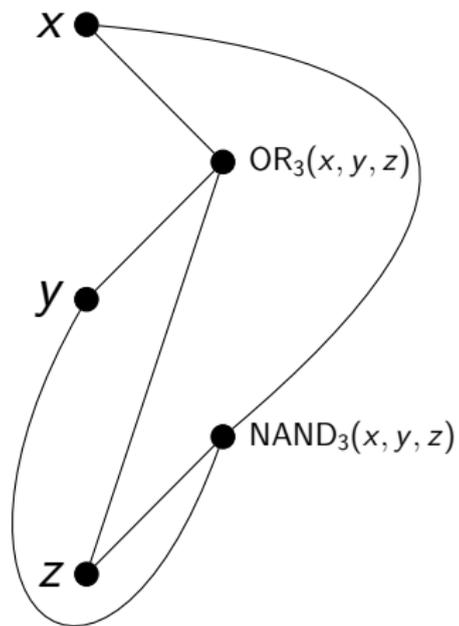




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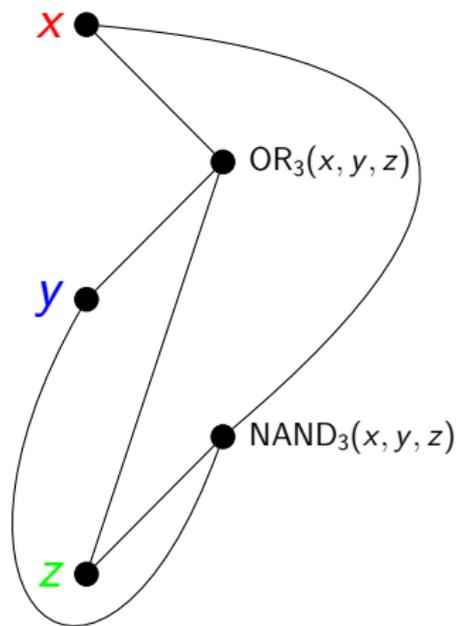
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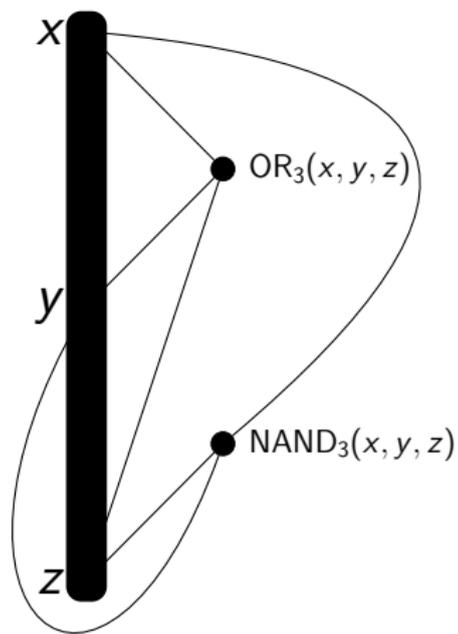
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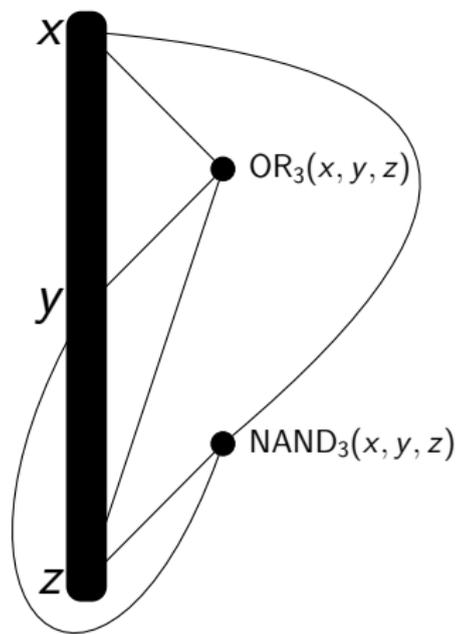
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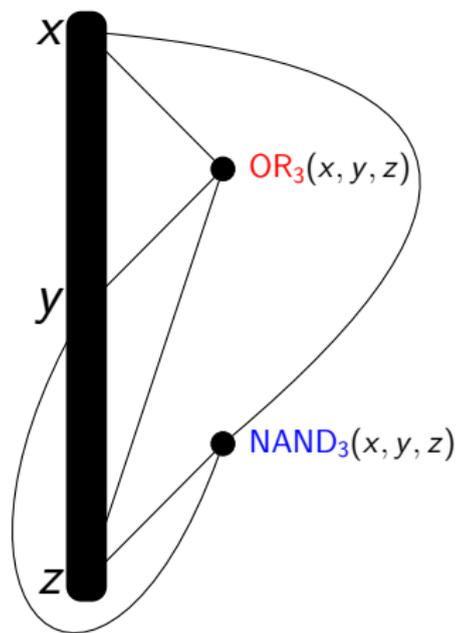
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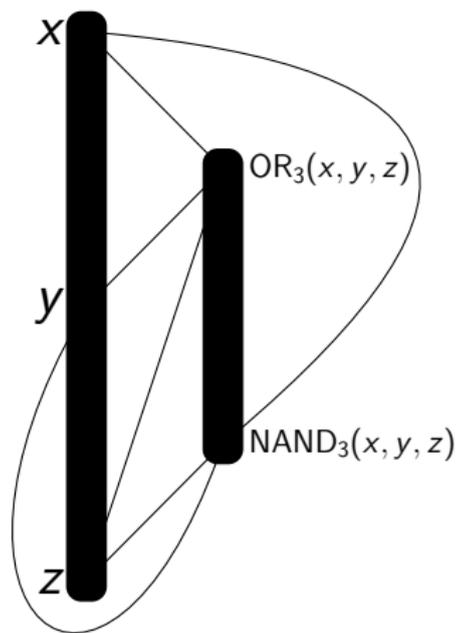
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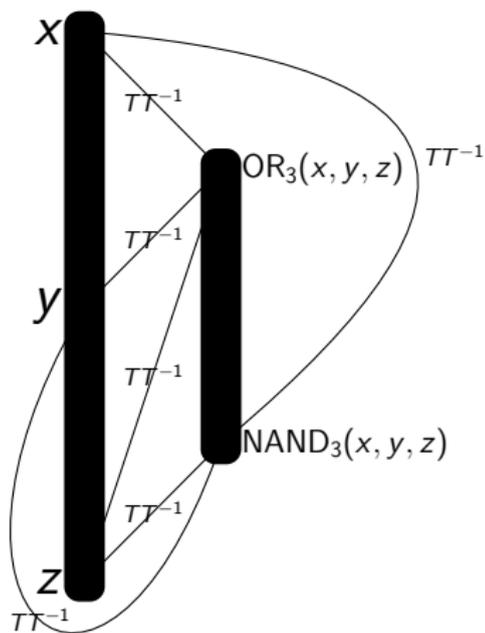


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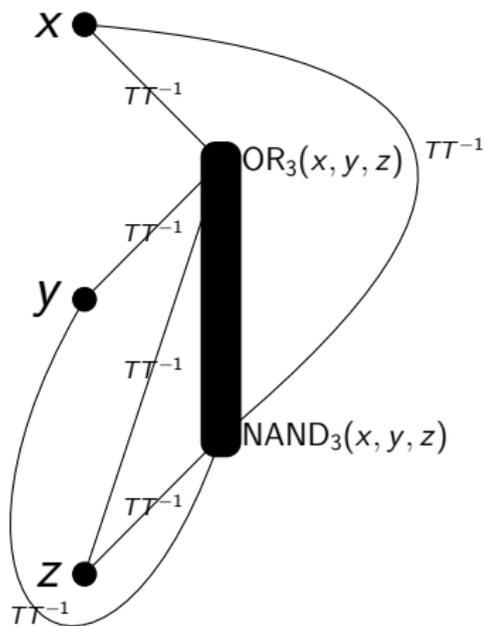
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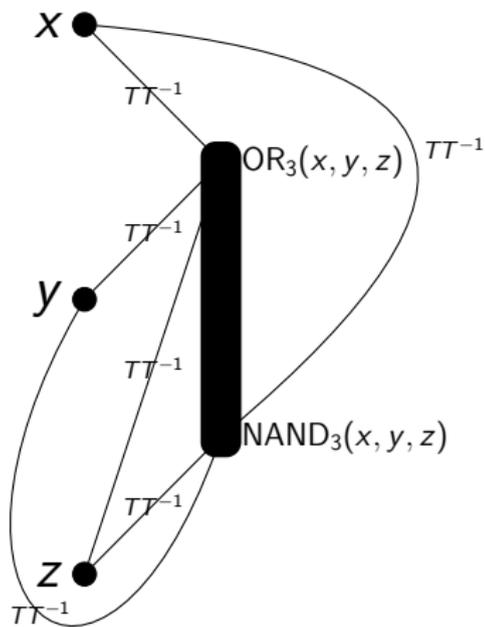
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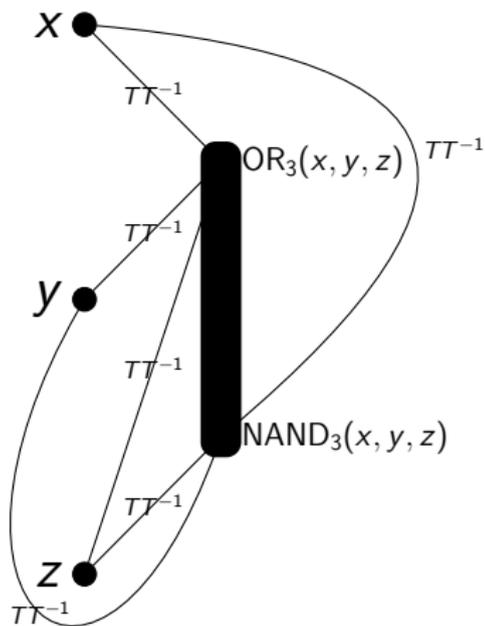
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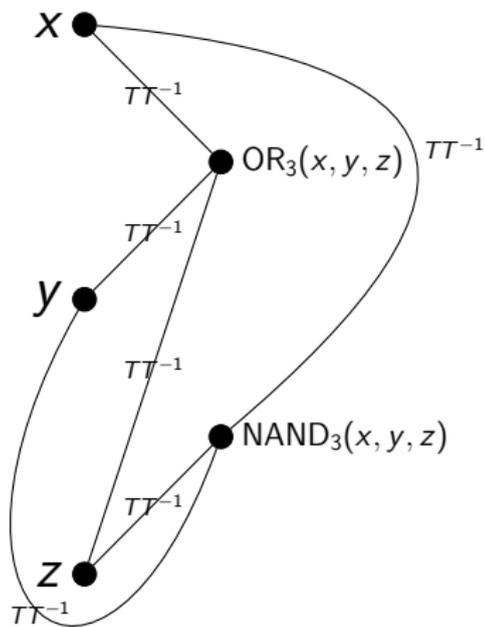
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Some Signature Sets

Affine signatures \mathcal{A} :

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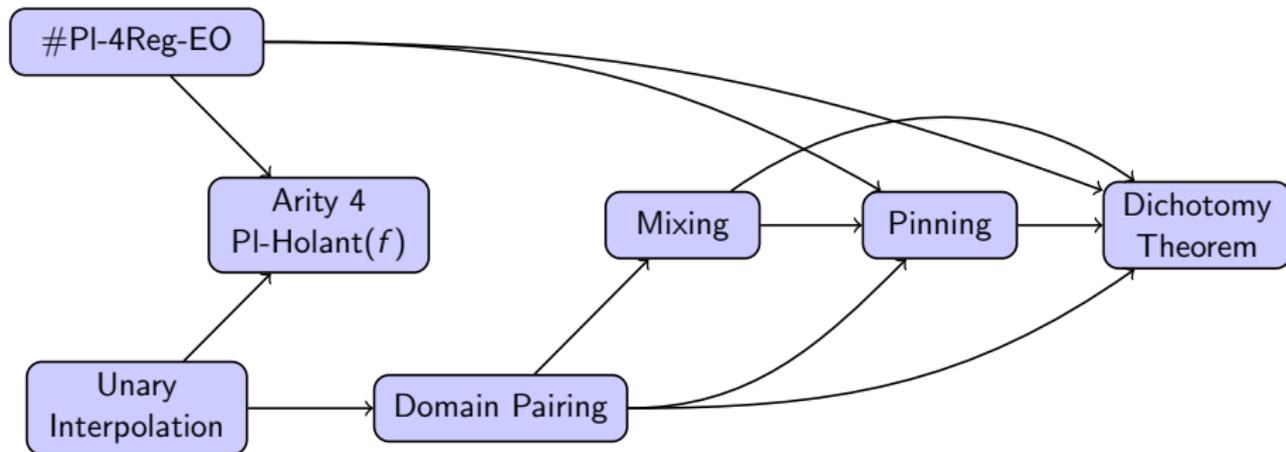
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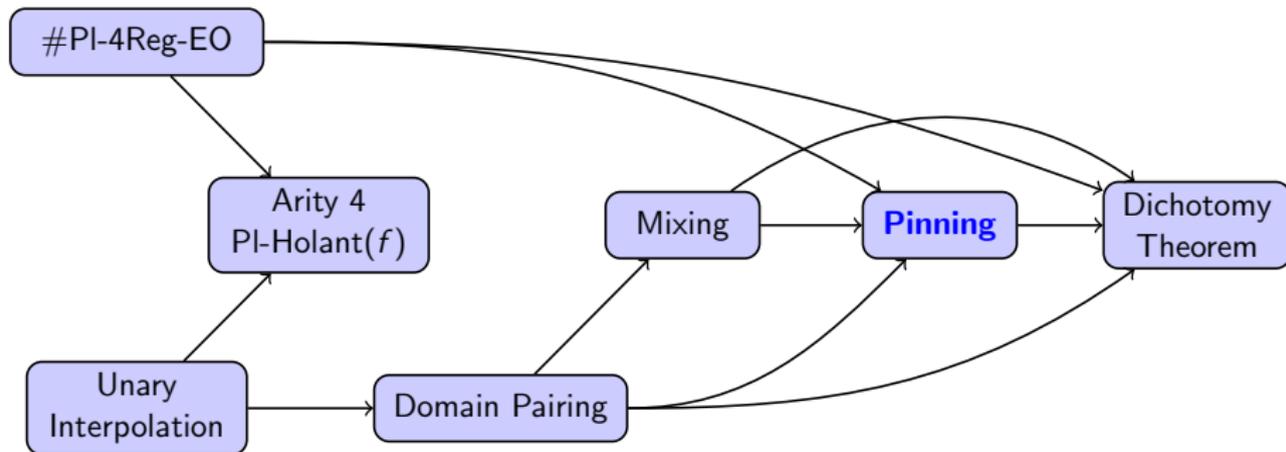
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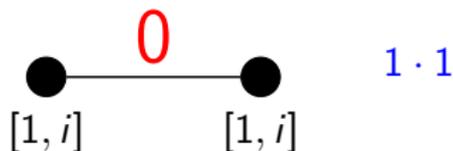
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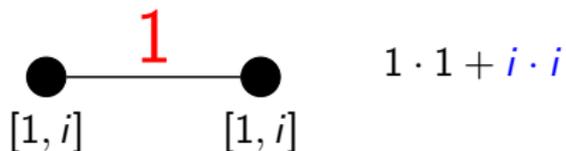


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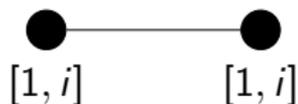
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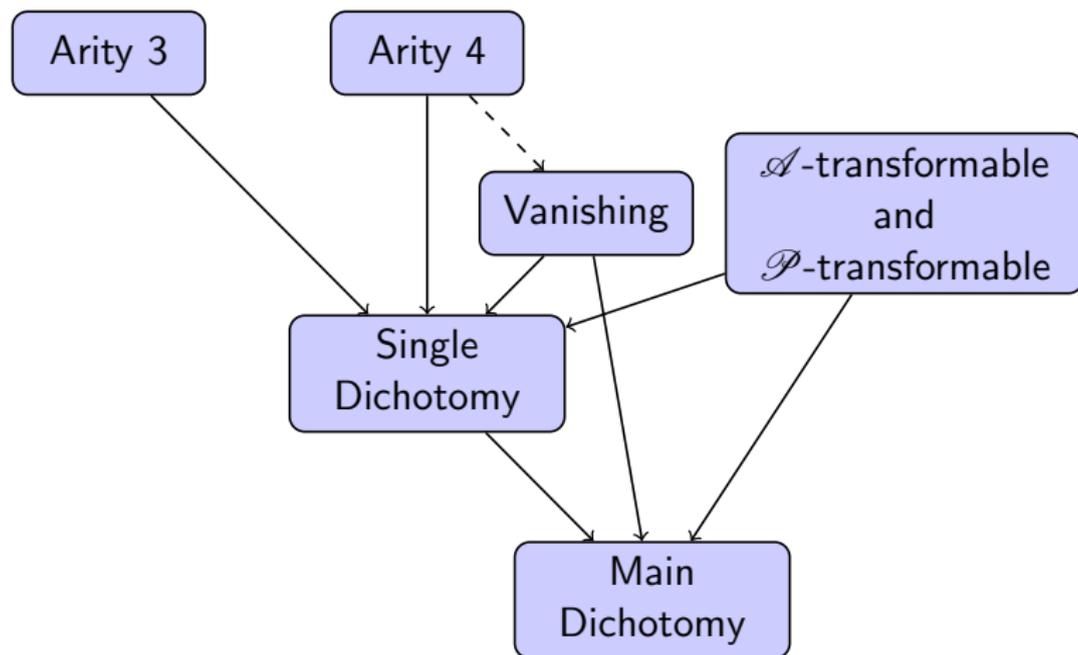
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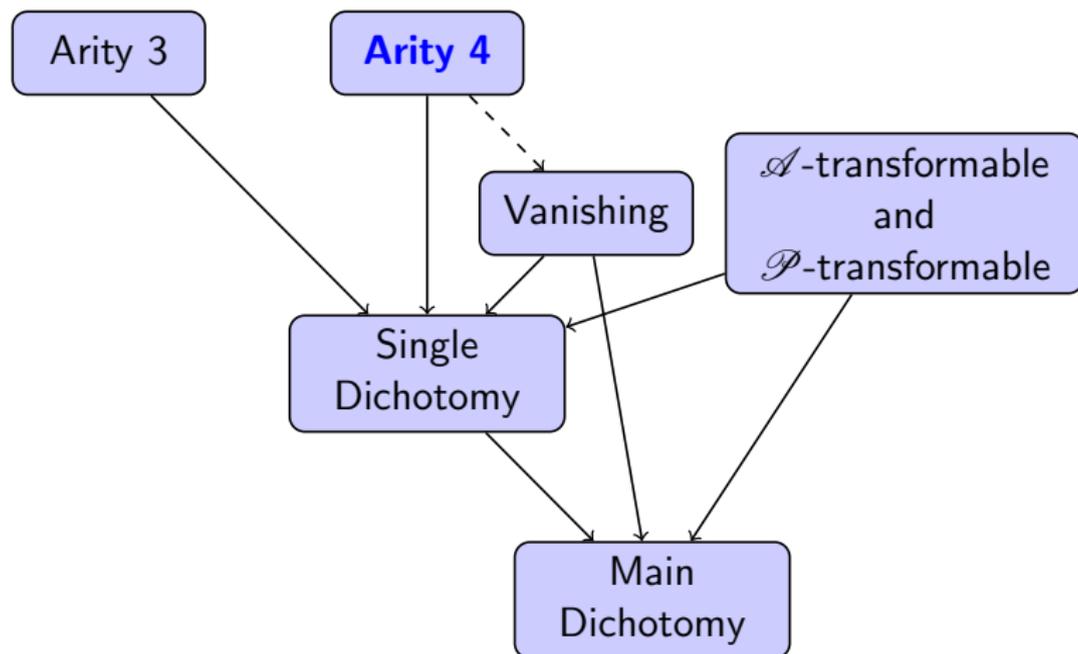
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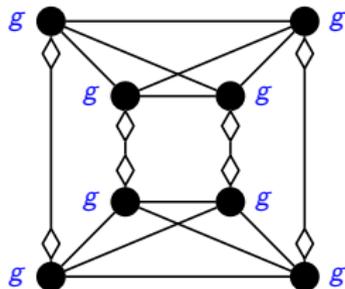
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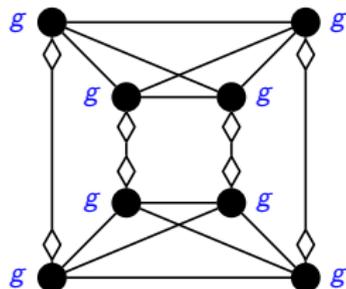
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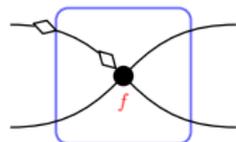
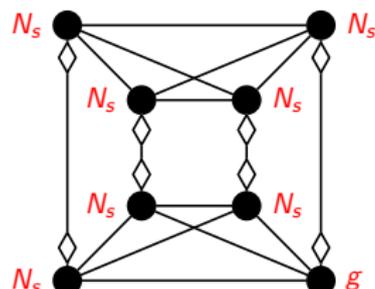


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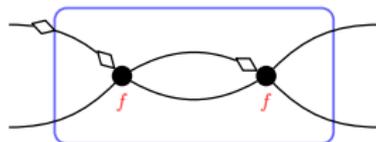
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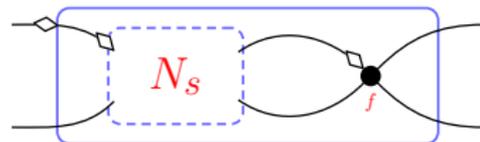
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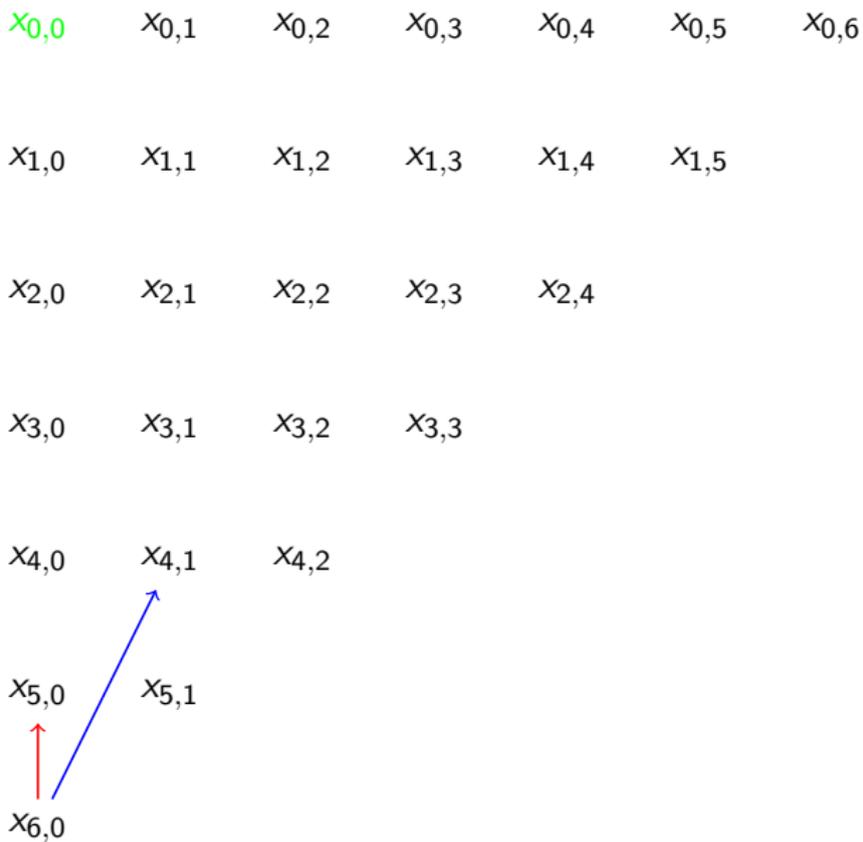
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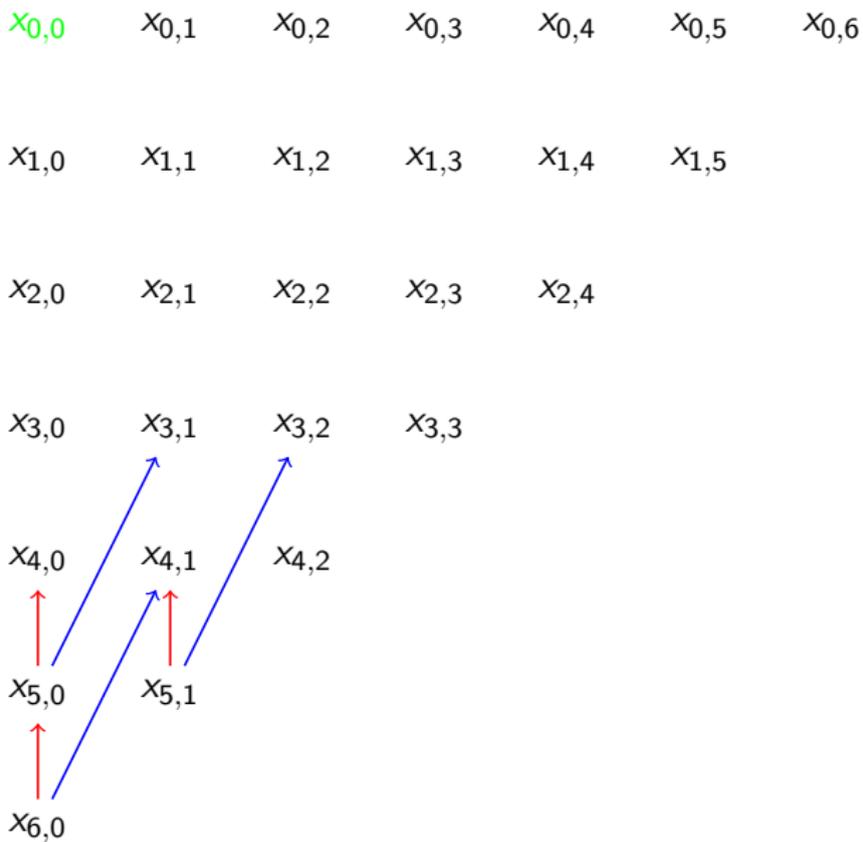
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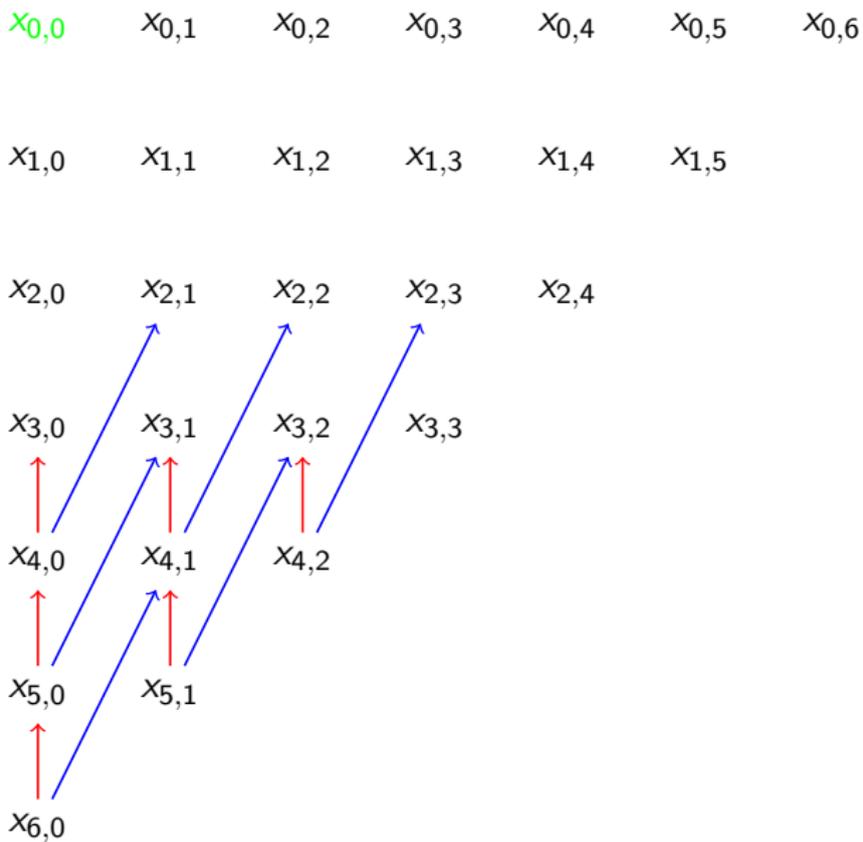
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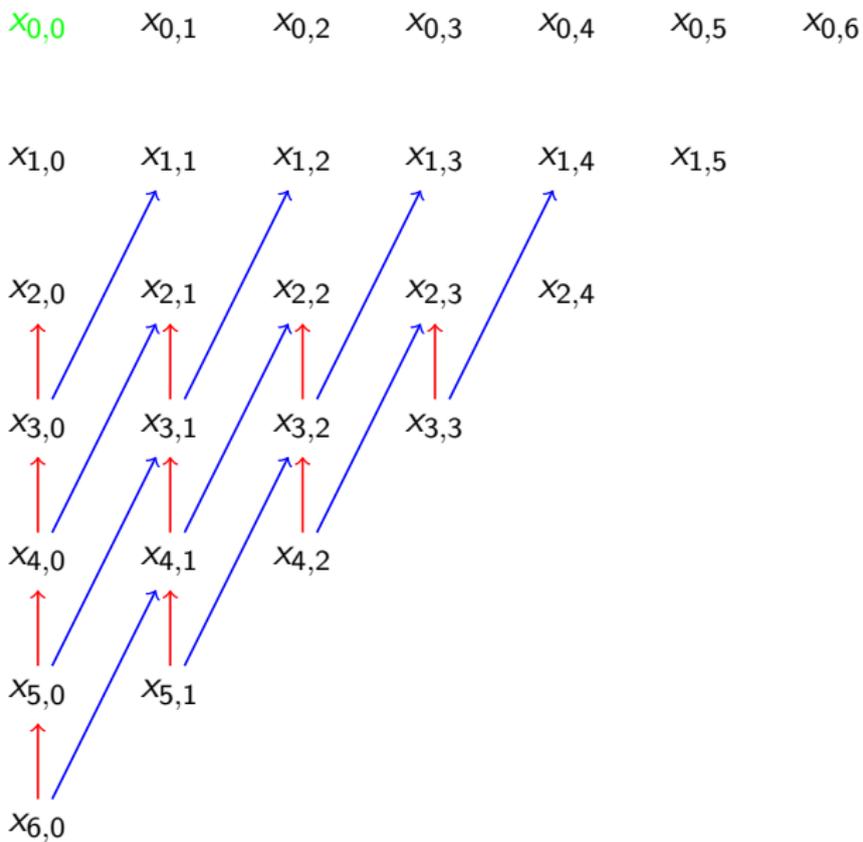
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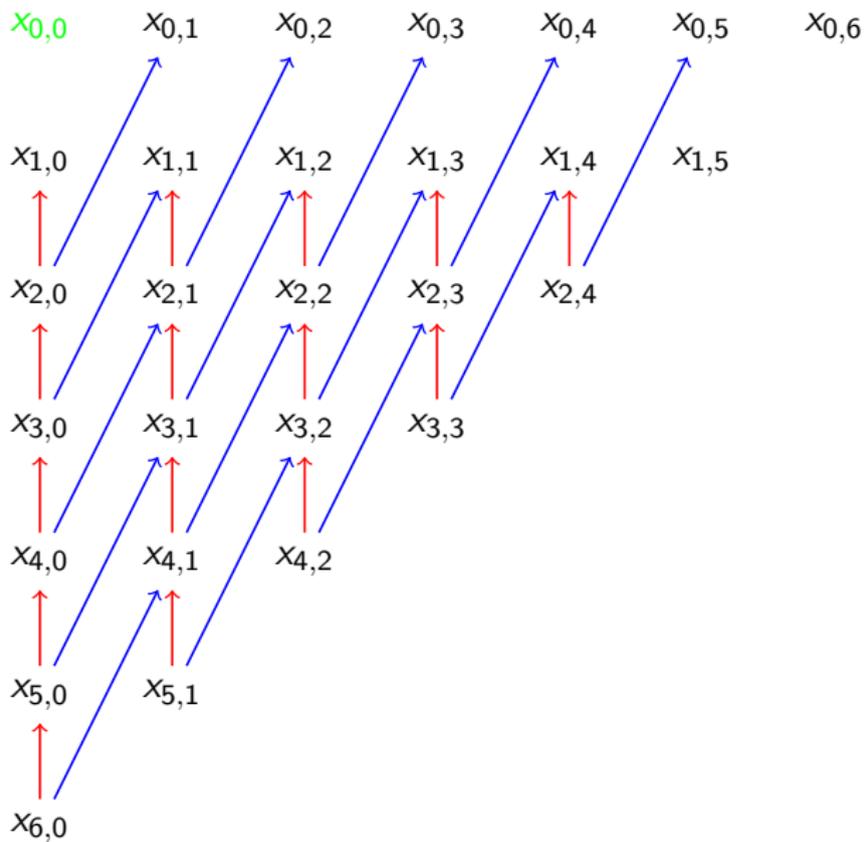
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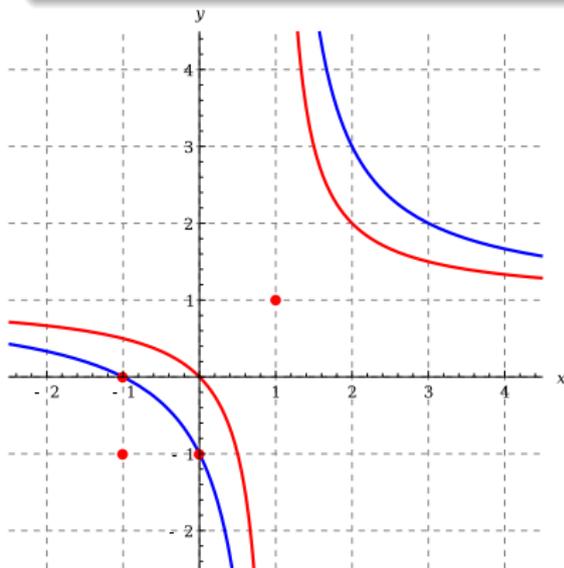
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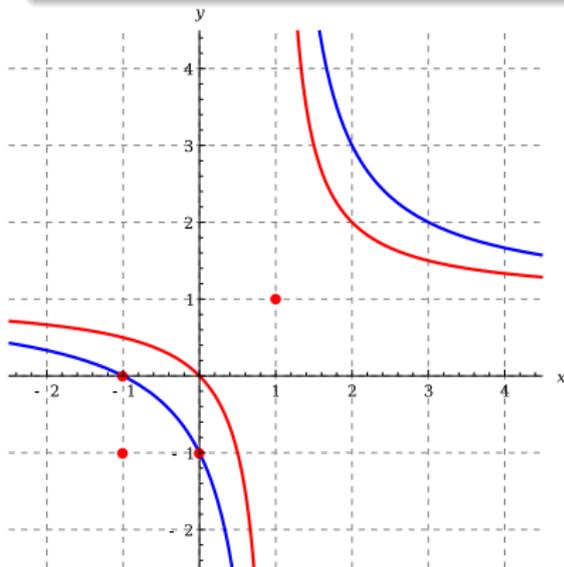
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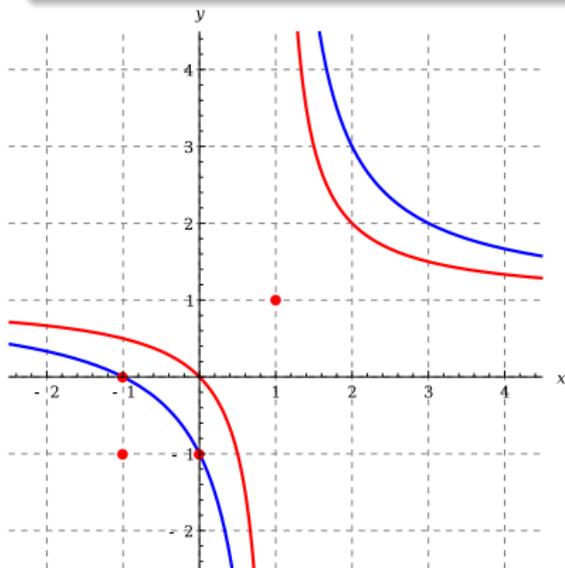
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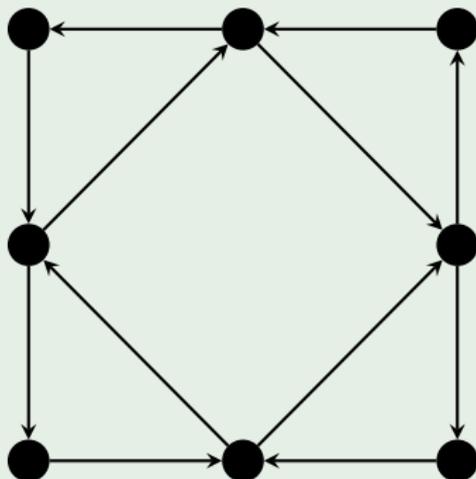
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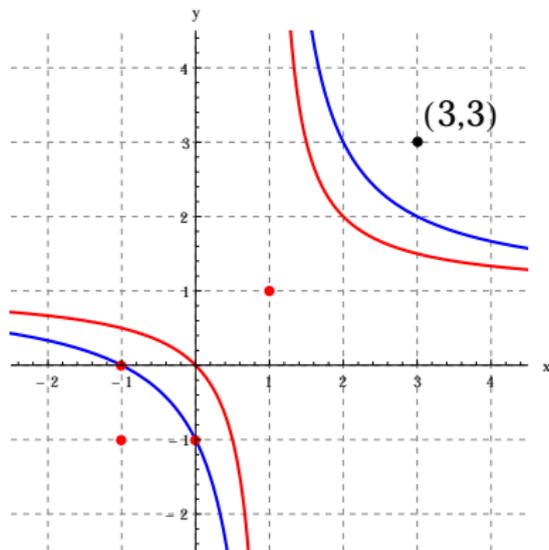
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Theorem (Vertigan 05)

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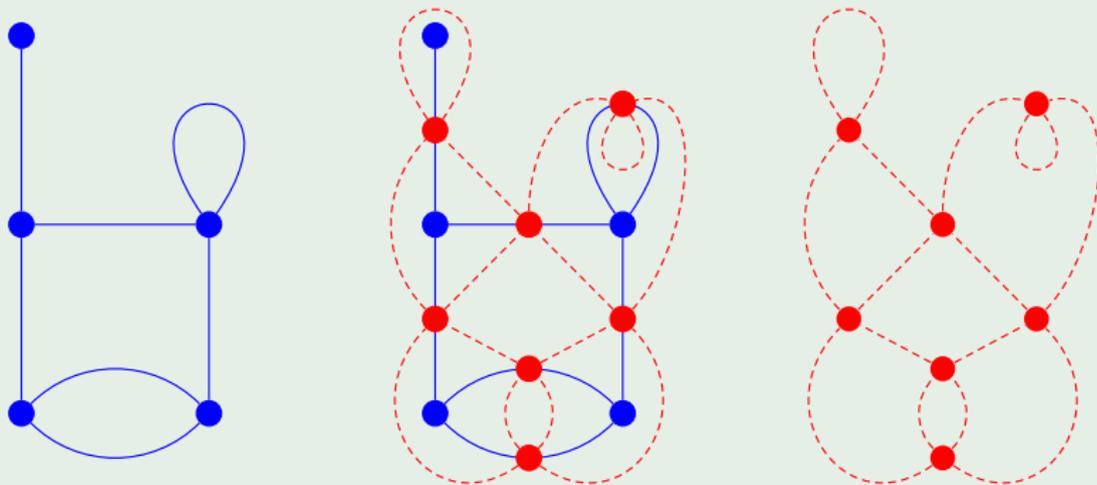


Medial Graph

Definition

For a connected **plane** graph G , its **medial graph** H has a vertex for each edge of G and two vertices in H are joined by an edge for each face of G in which their corresponding edges occur consecutively.

Example



Theorem (Las Vergnas 88)

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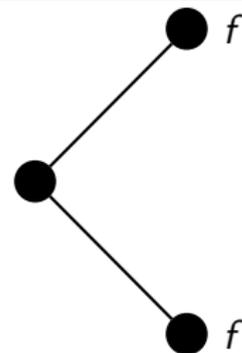
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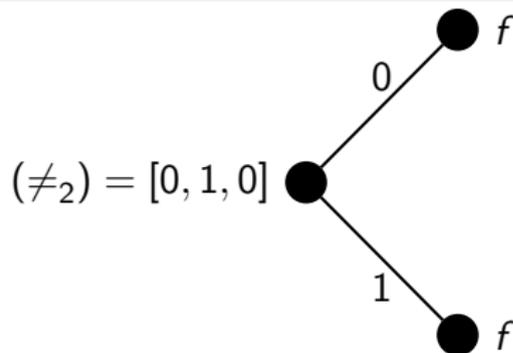
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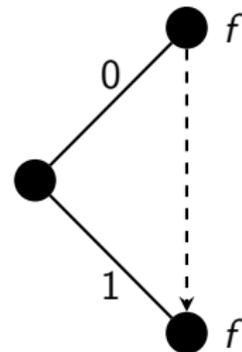
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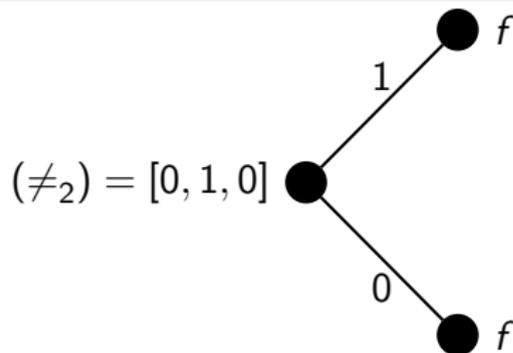
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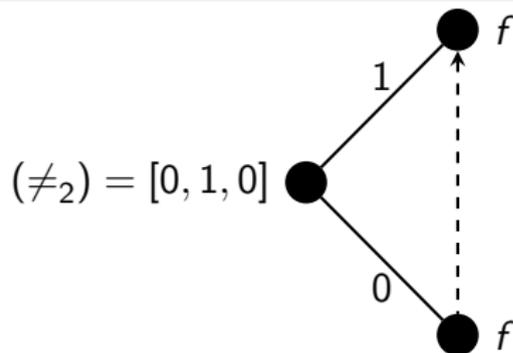
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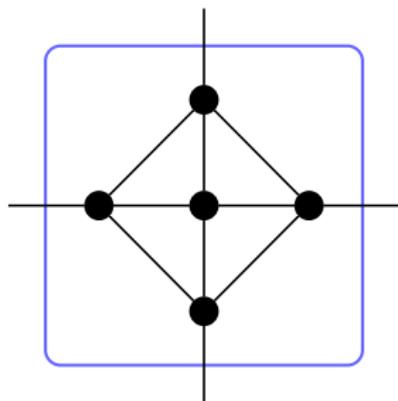
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Planar Tetrahedron Gadget

Assign $[3, 0, 1, 0, 3]$ to every vertex of this gadget...



...to get a signature $32\hat{g}$ with

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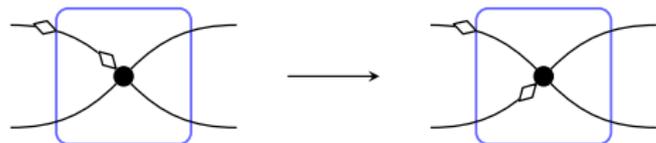
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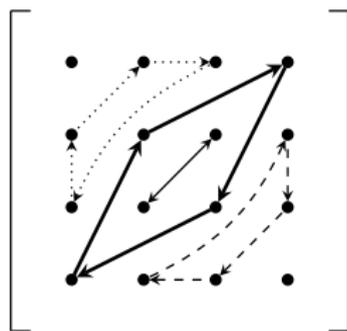
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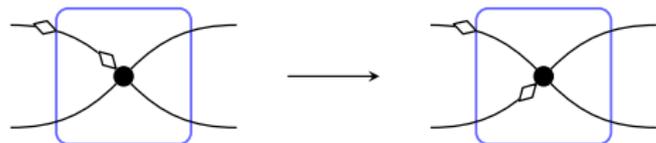


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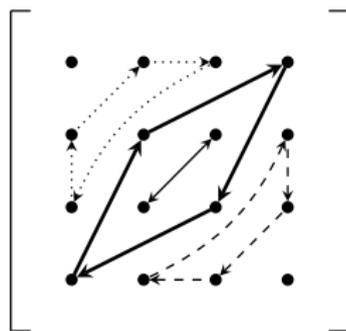
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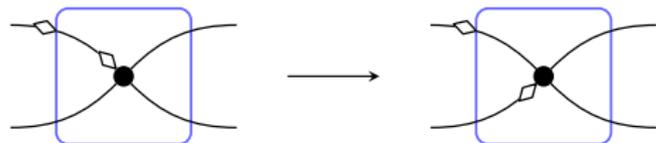


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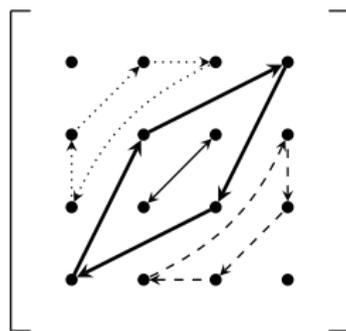
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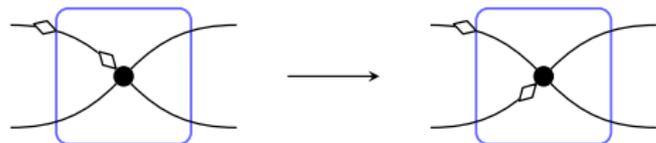


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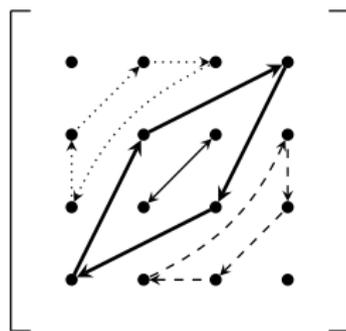
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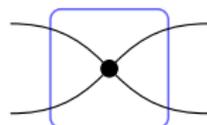
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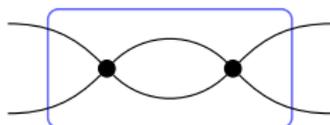
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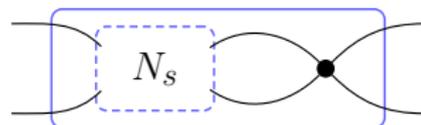
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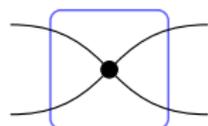
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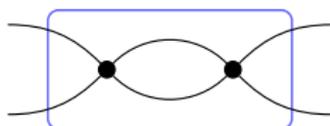
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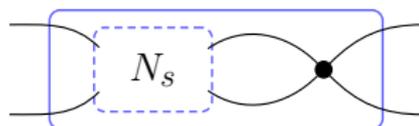
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Major proof techniques:

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