

CHARACTERIZATION OF AVOIDANCE OF ONE-SIDED 2- AND 3-SEGMENT PATTERNS IN RECTANGULATIONS BY MESH PATTERNS

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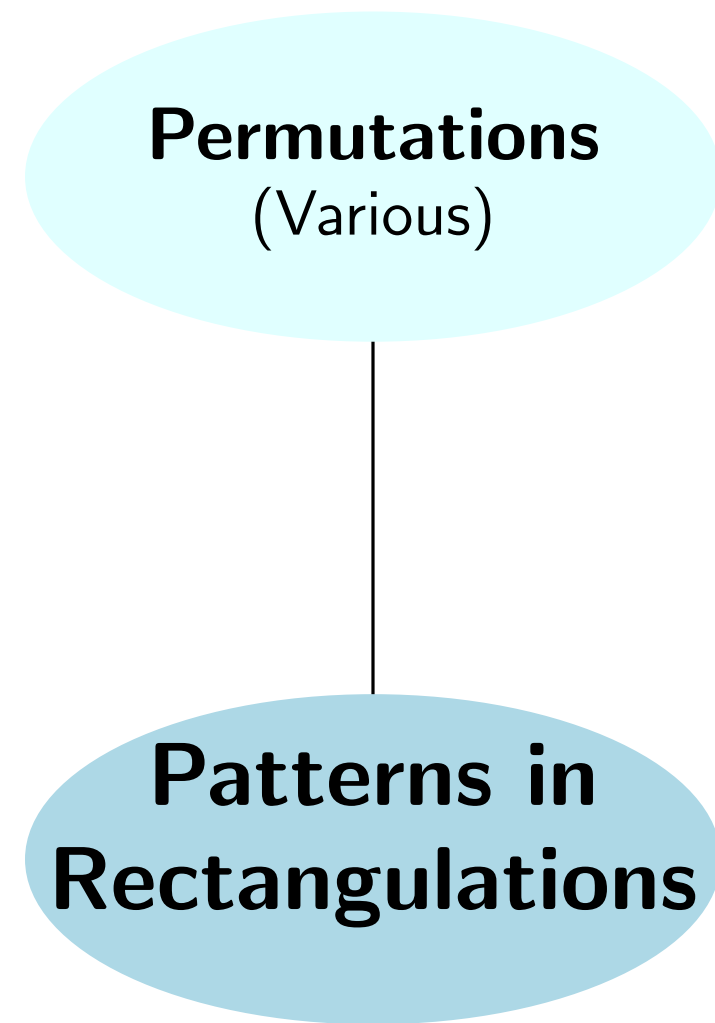
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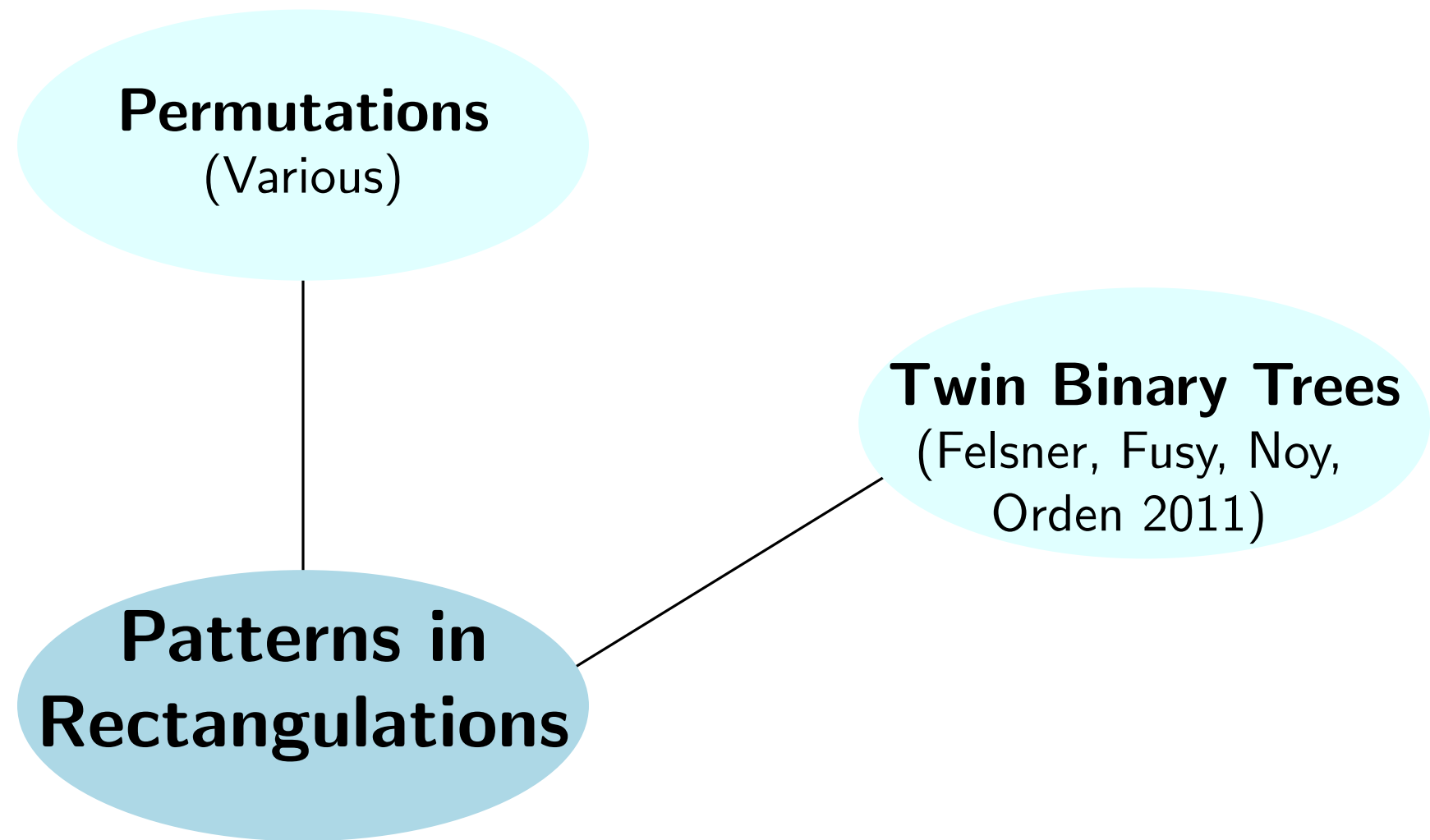
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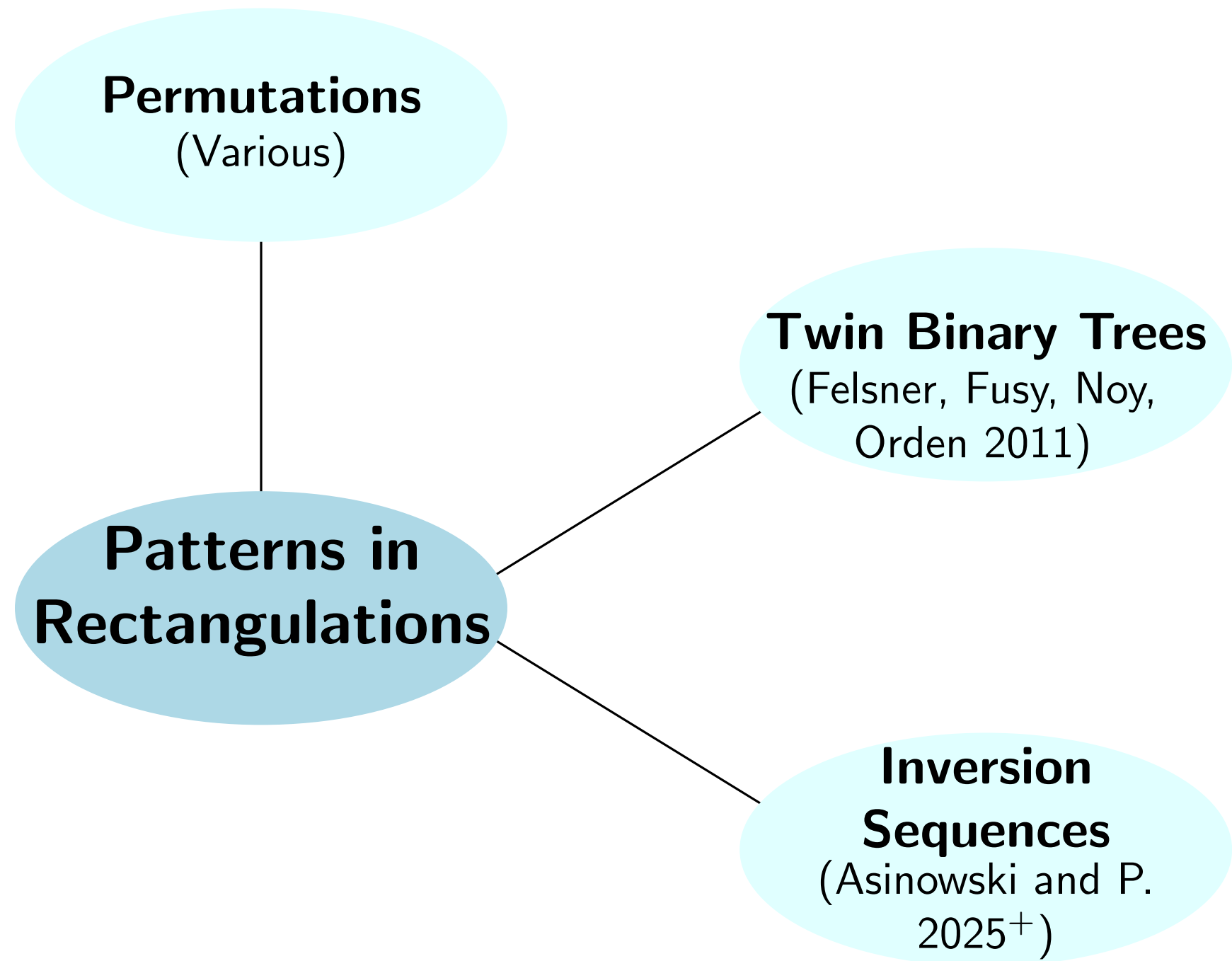
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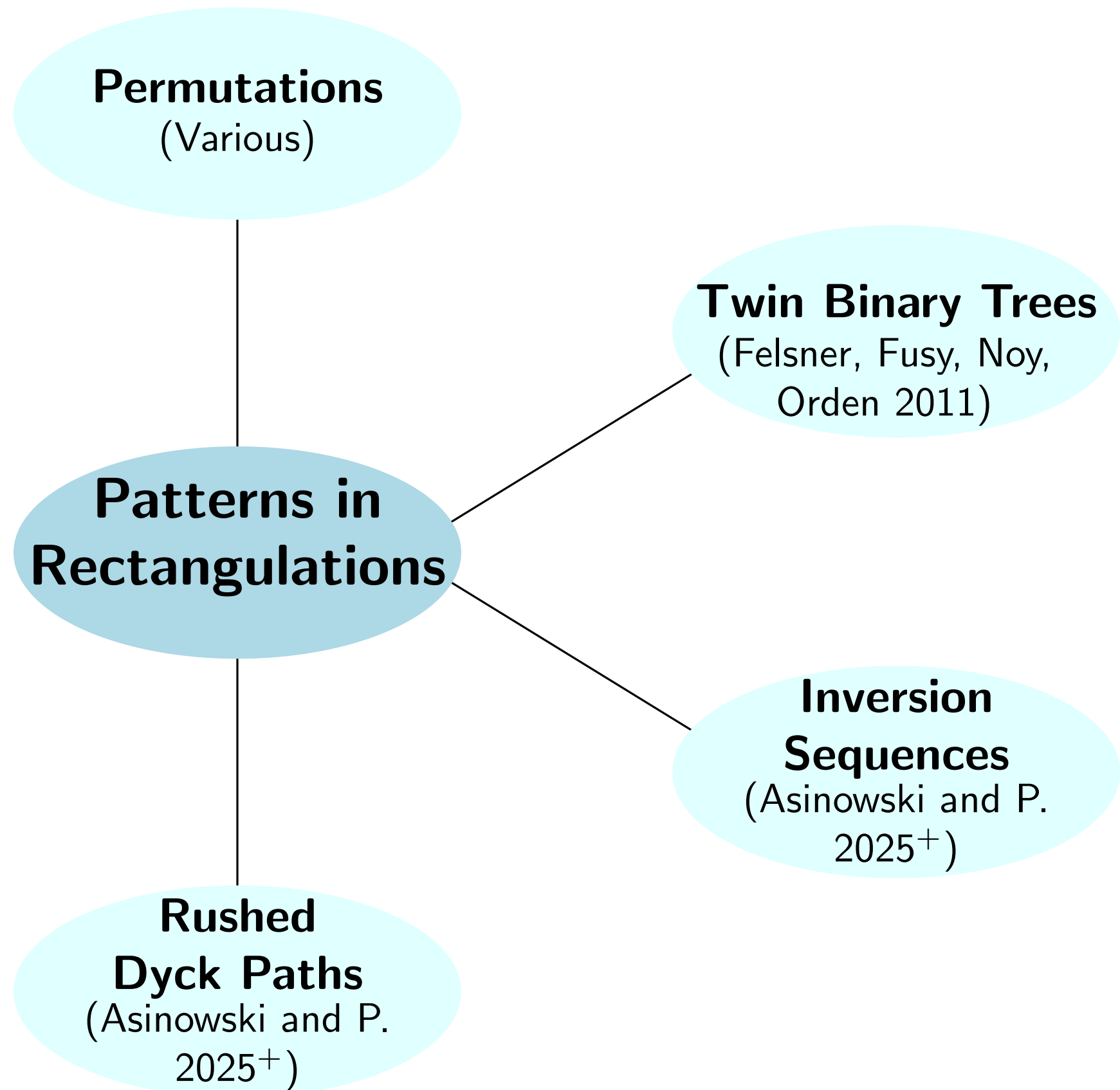
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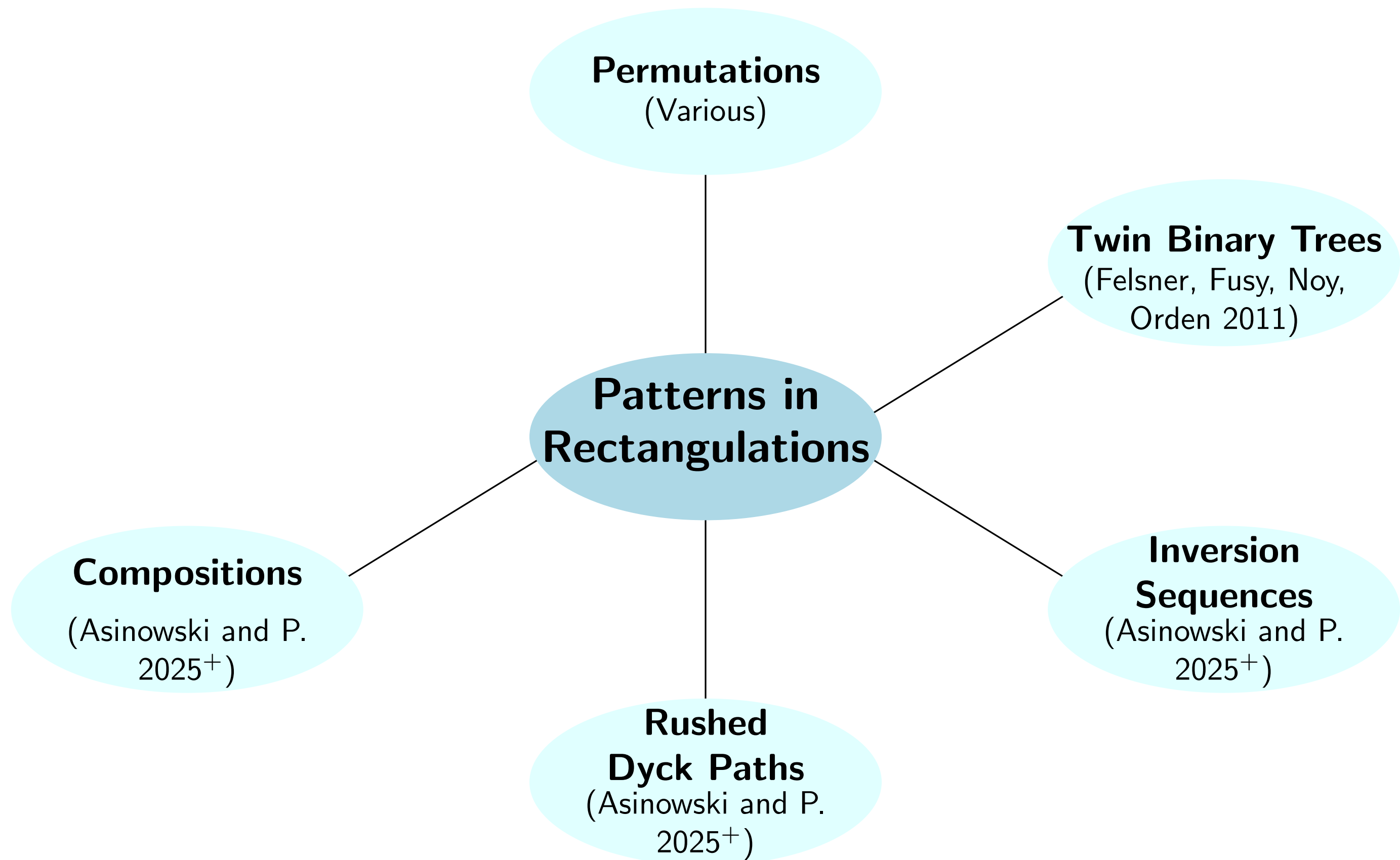
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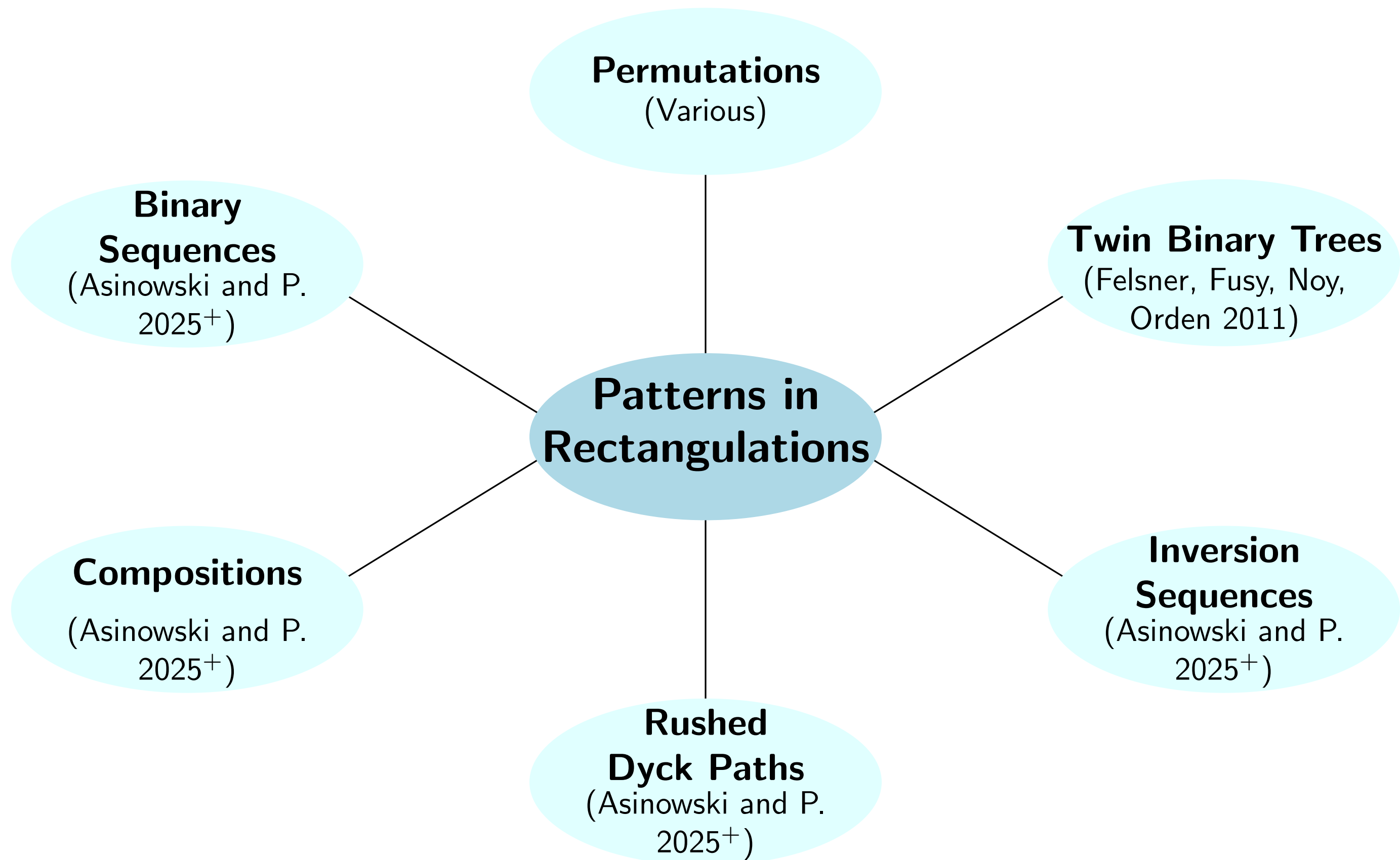


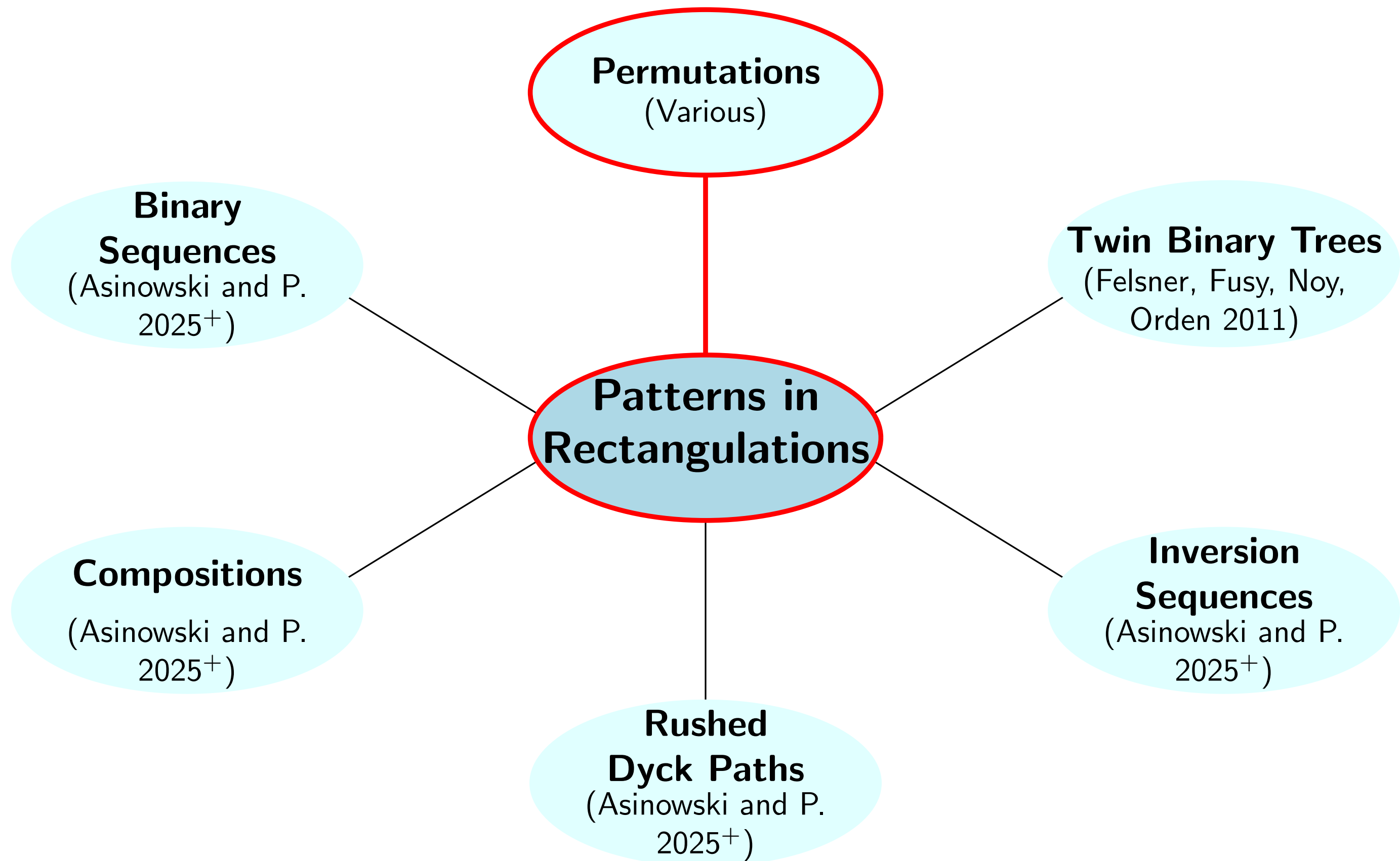












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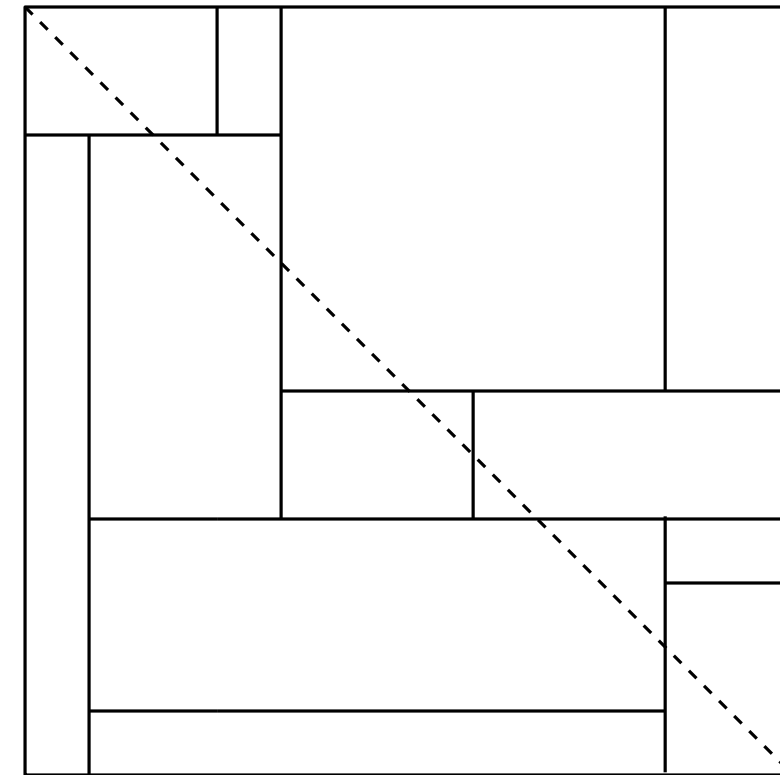
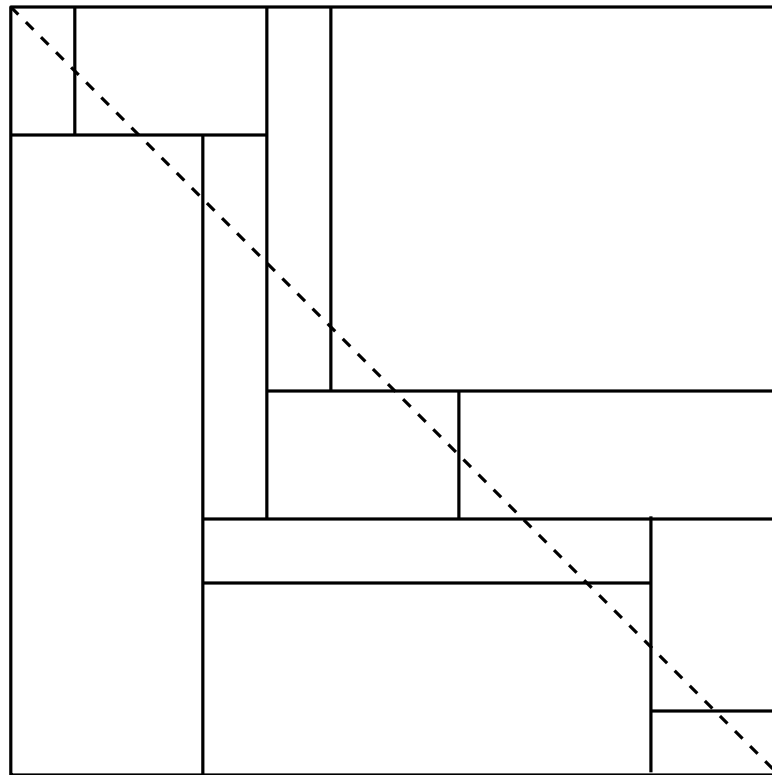
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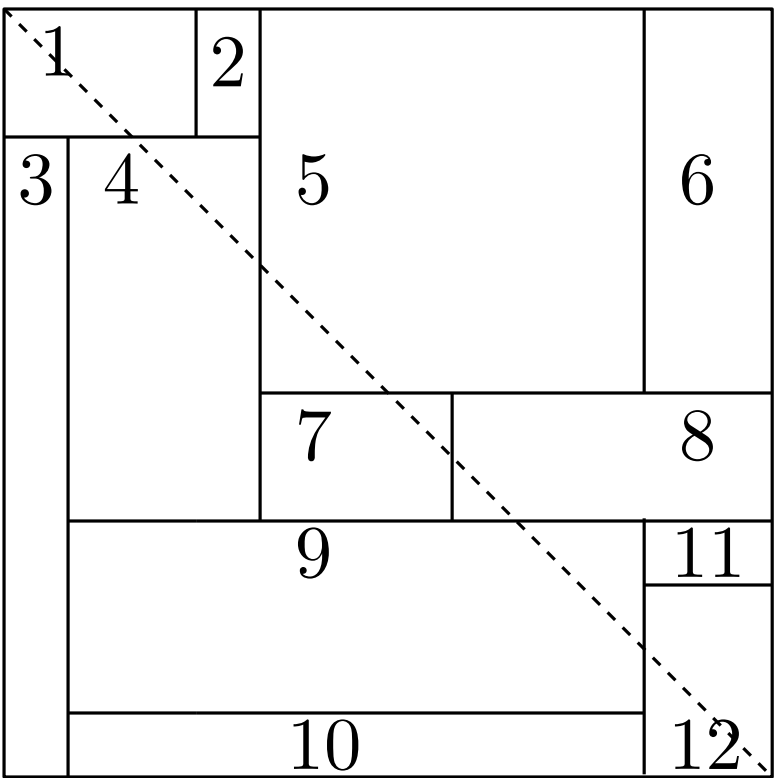
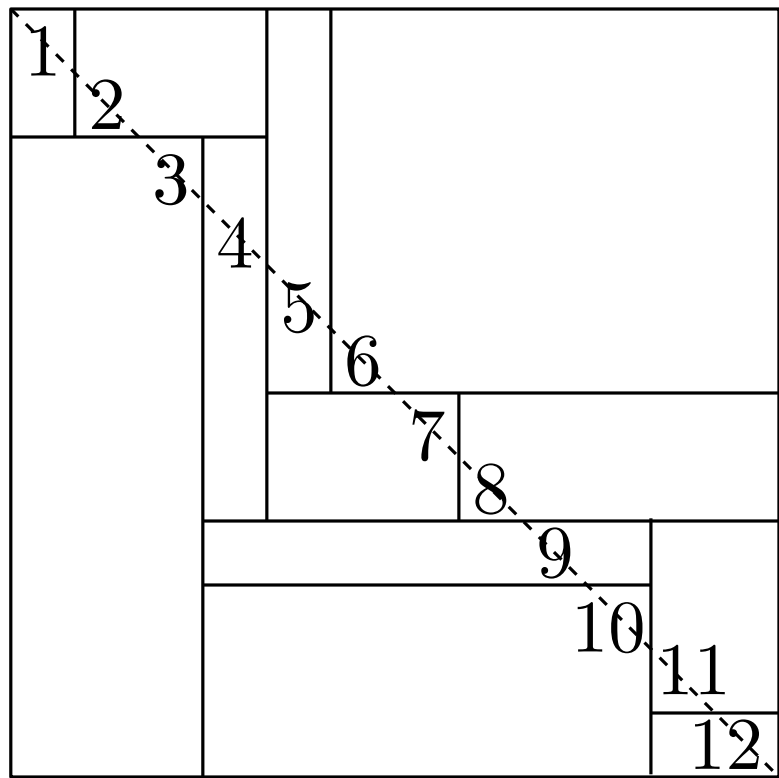
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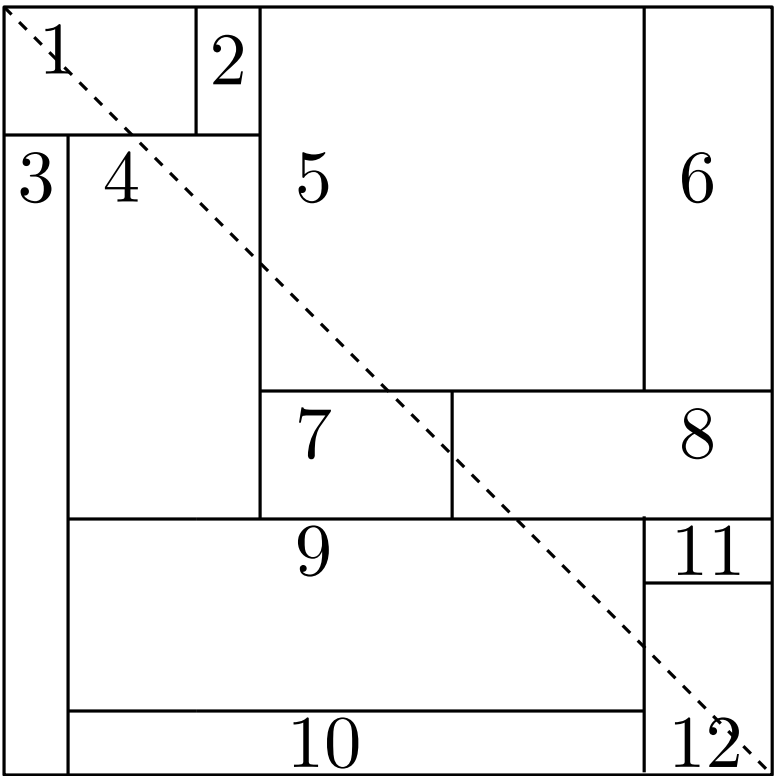
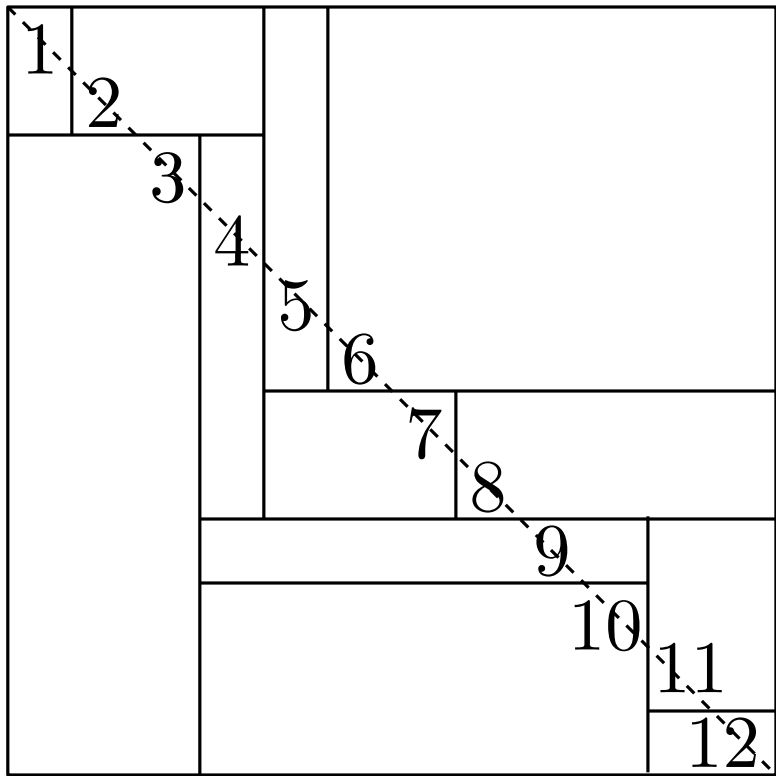
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Proposition (Reading 2012)

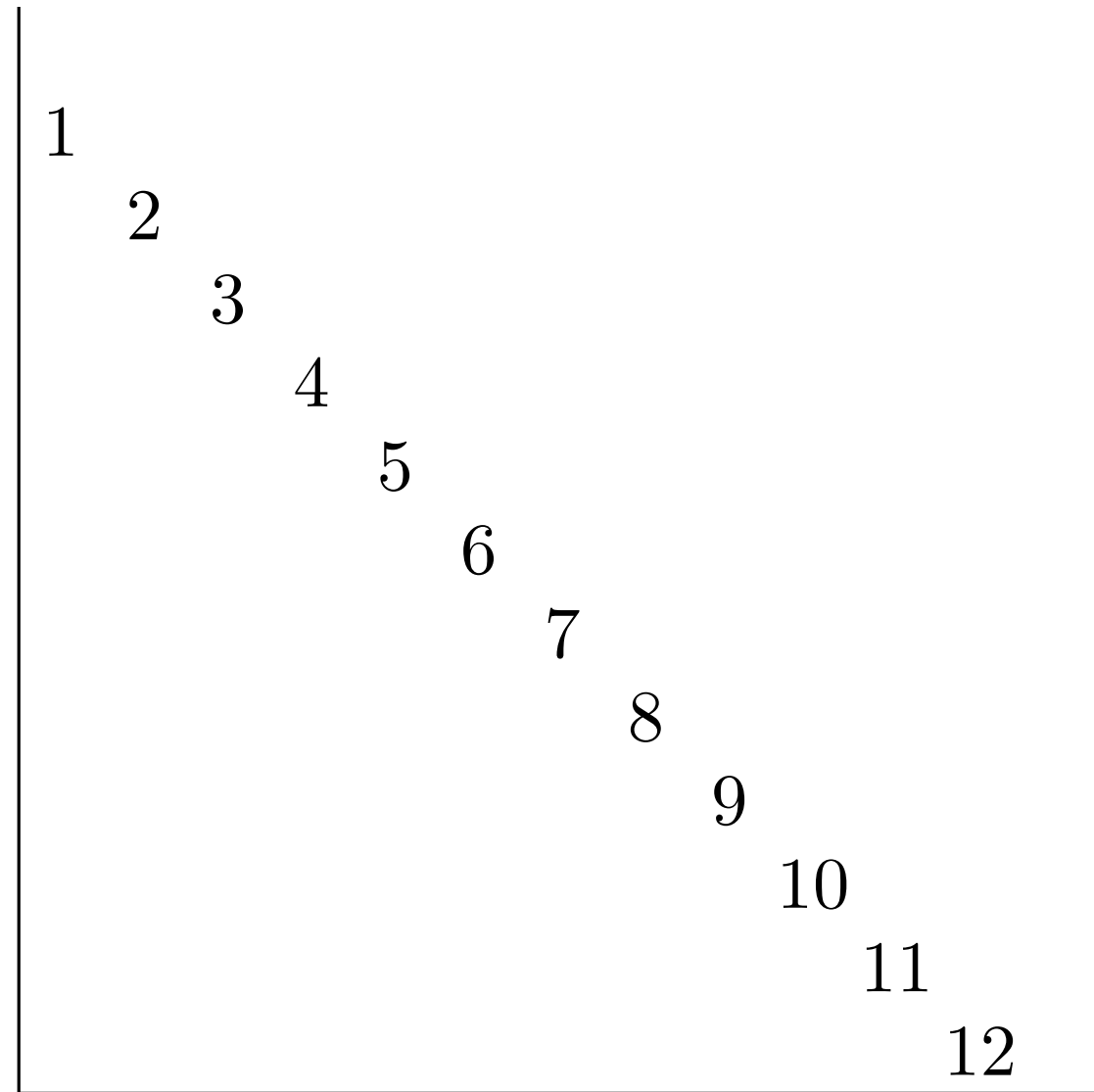
Every weak rectangulation has a unique representative which is a diagonal rectangulation.

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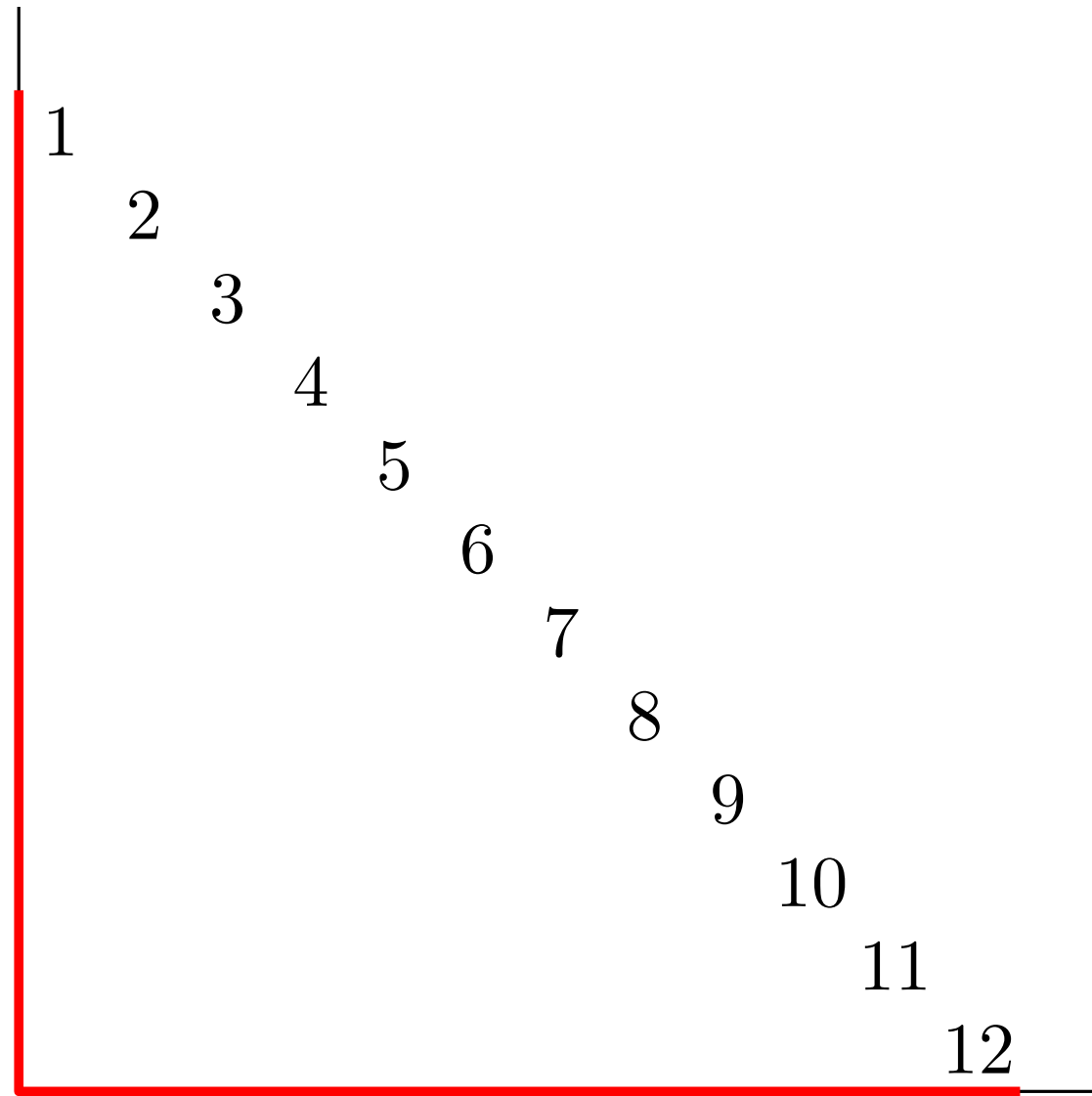
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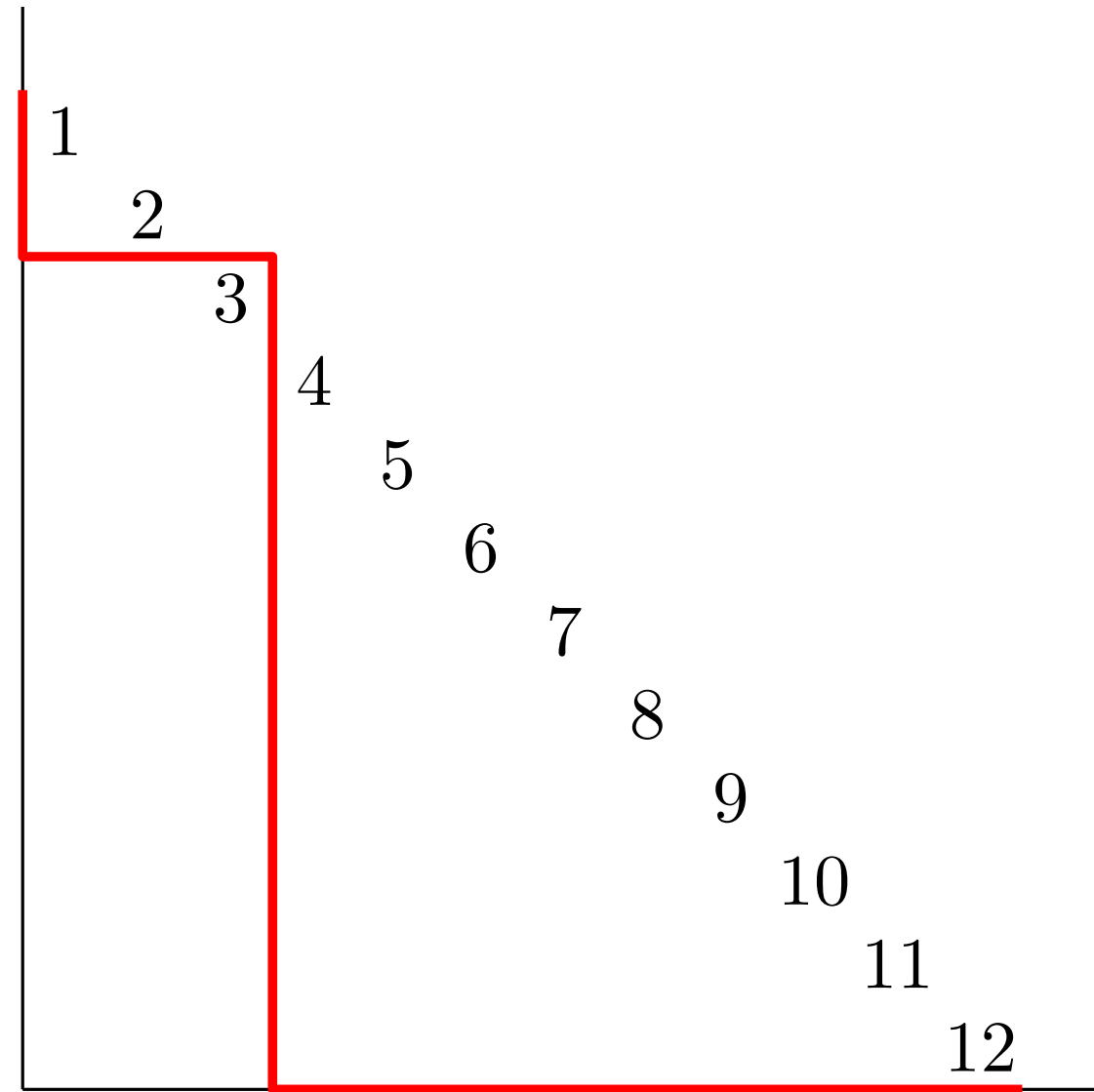


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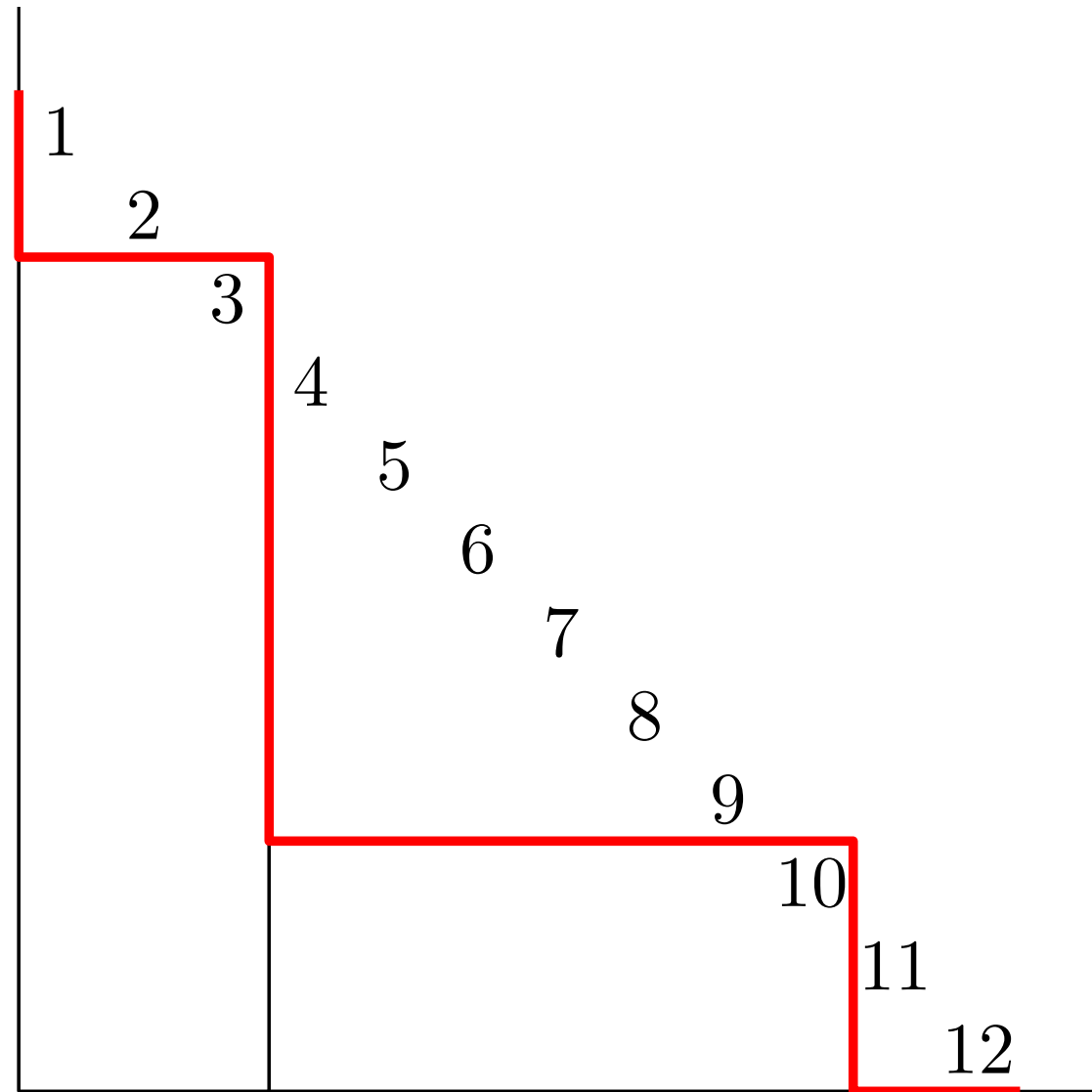


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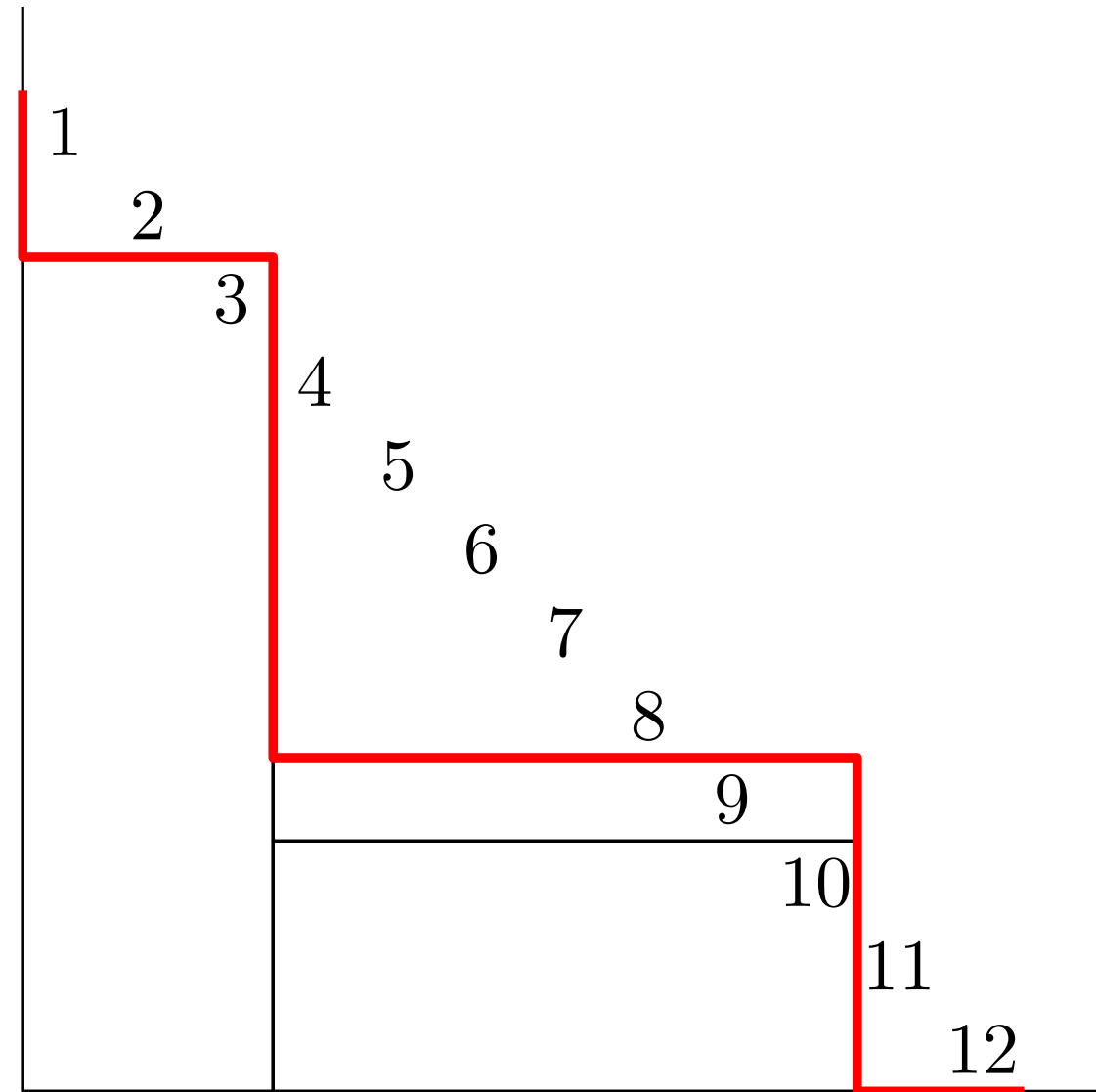


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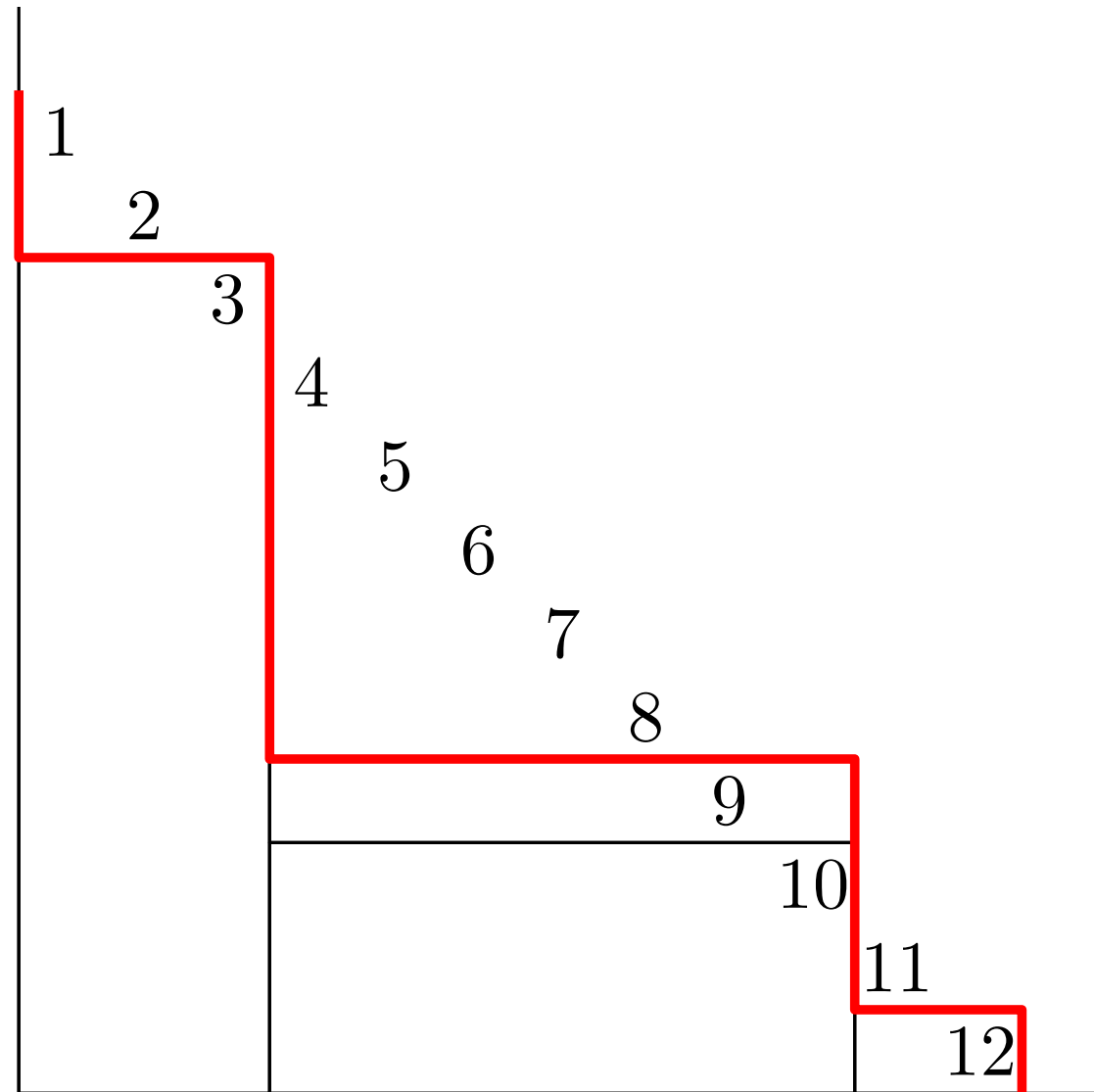


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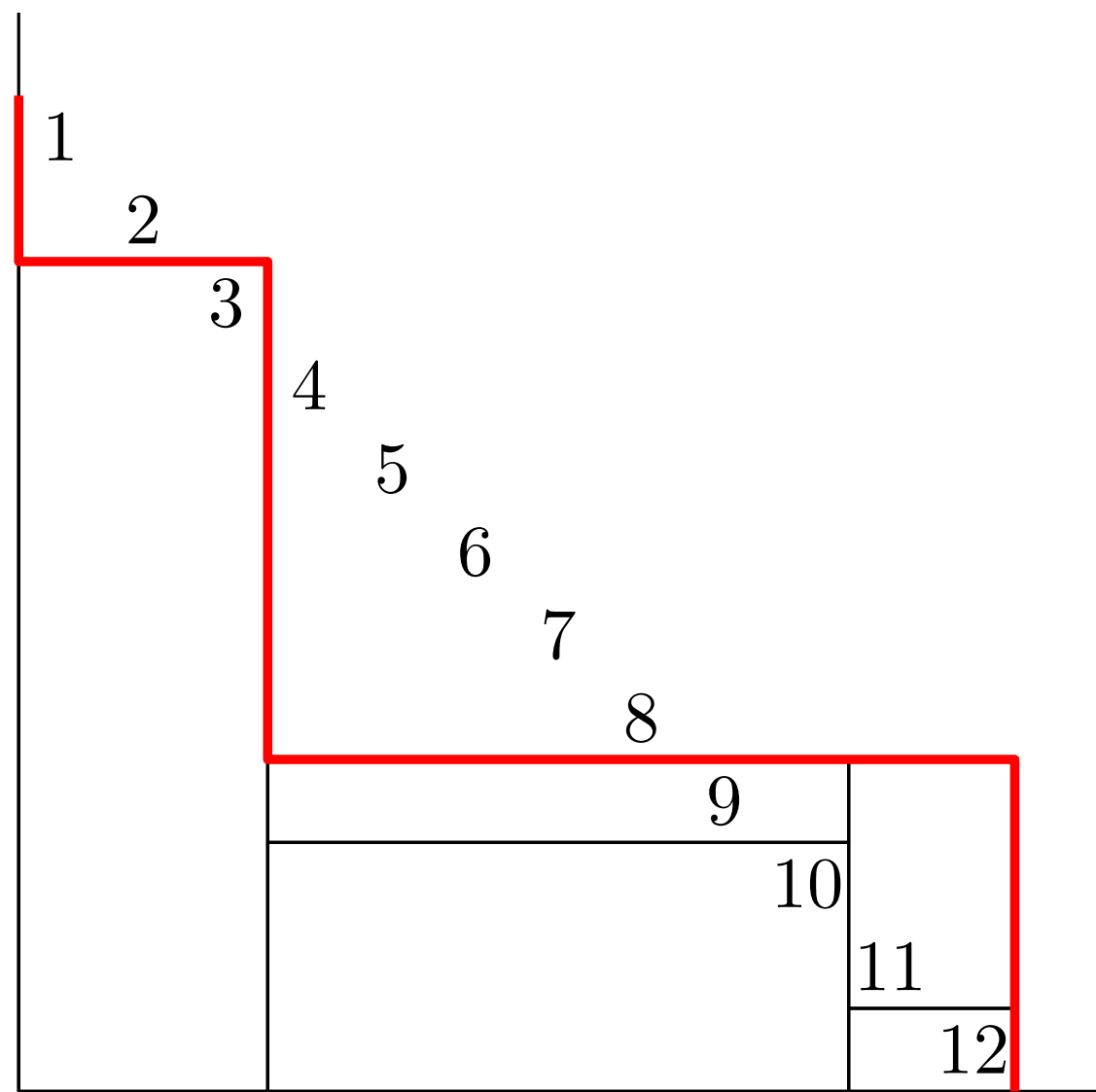
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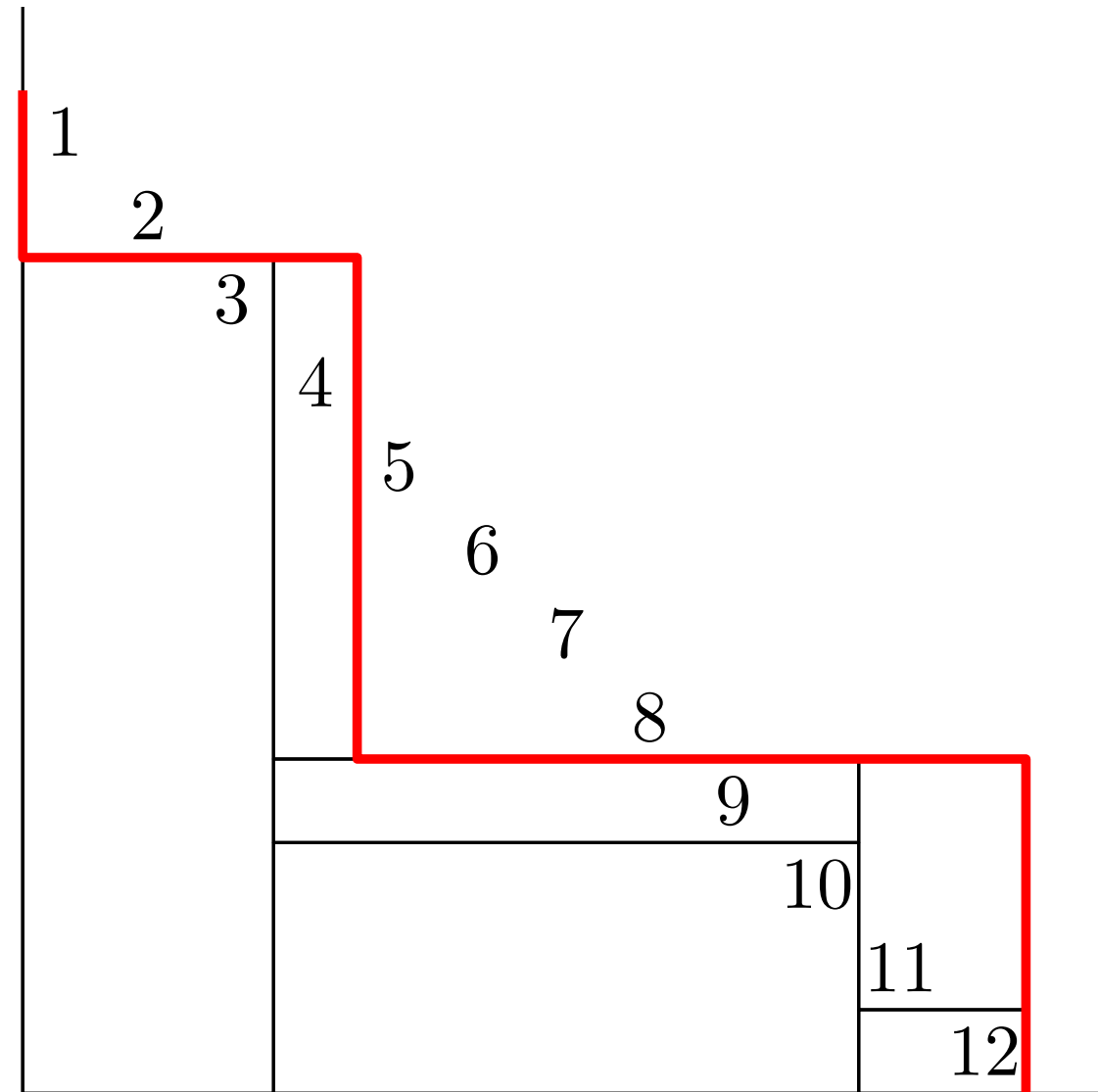
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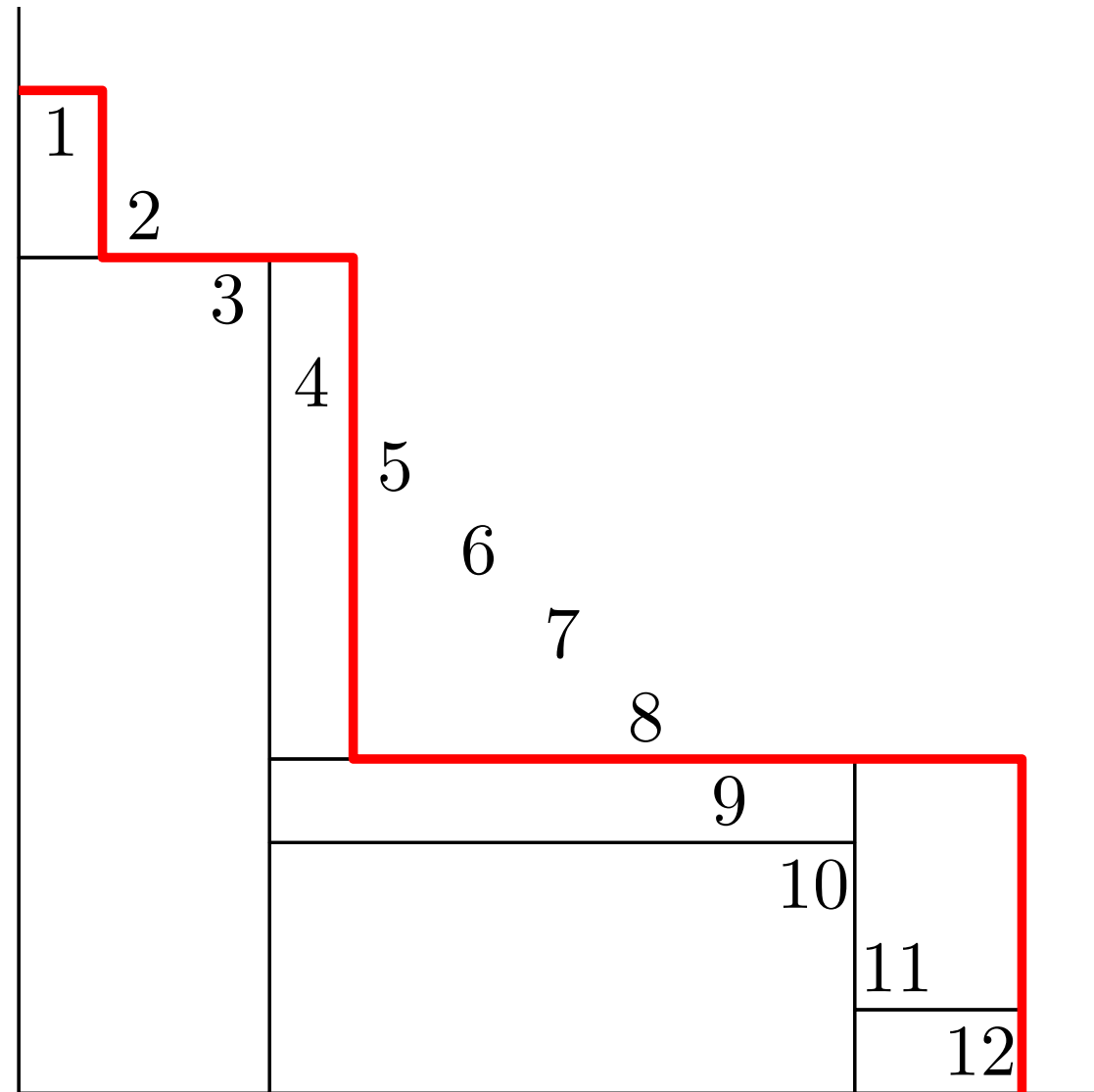
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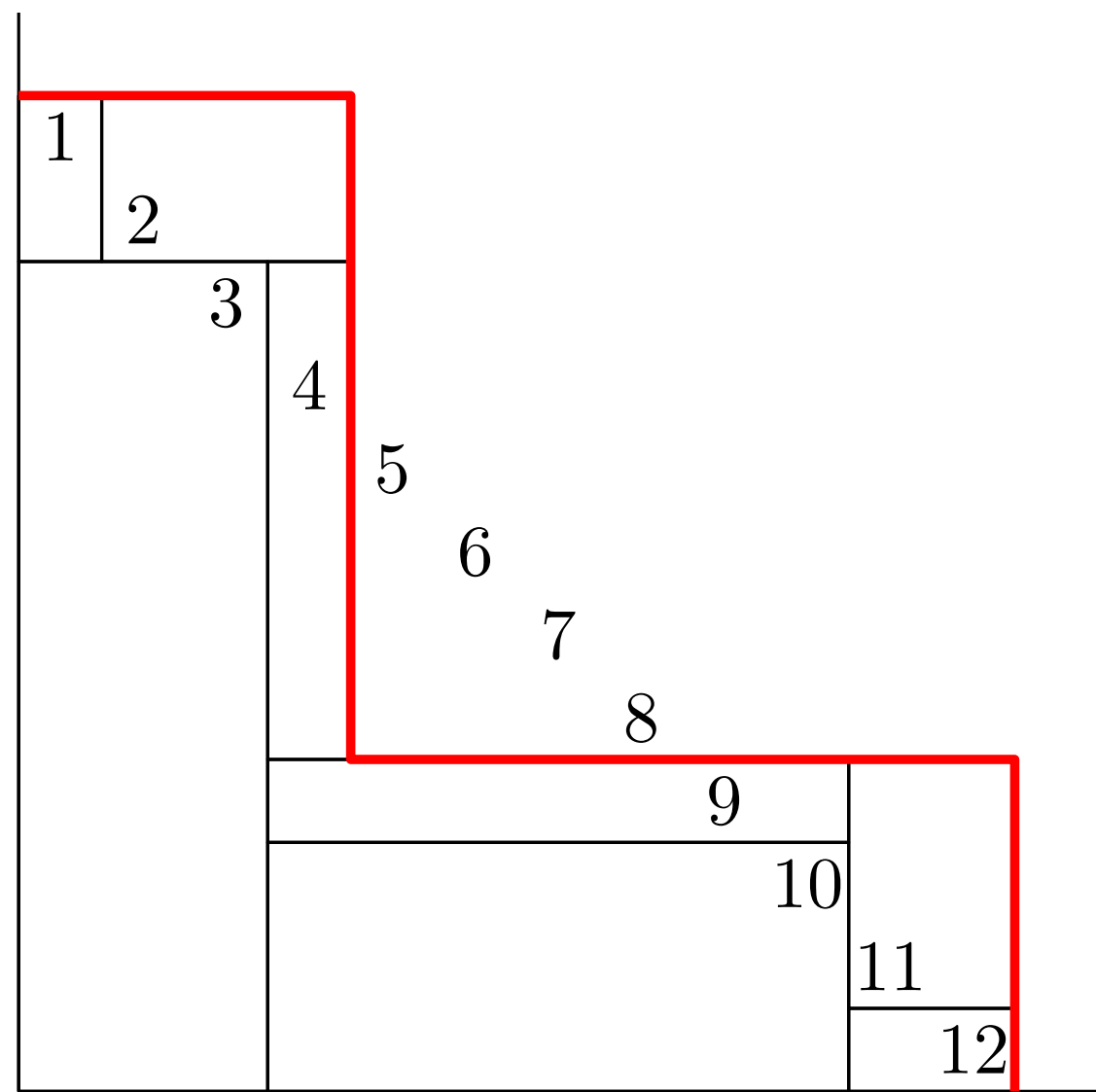
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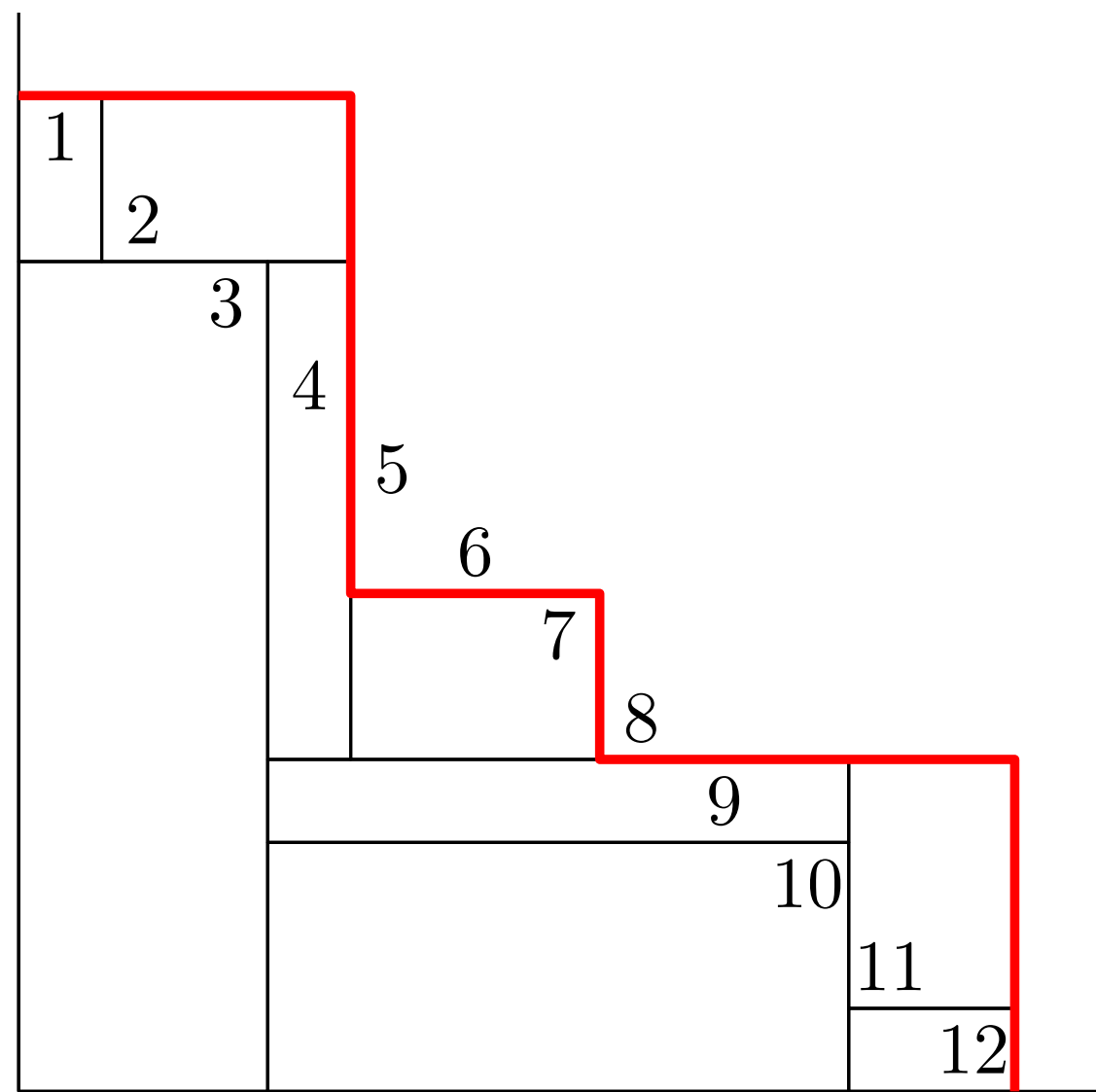
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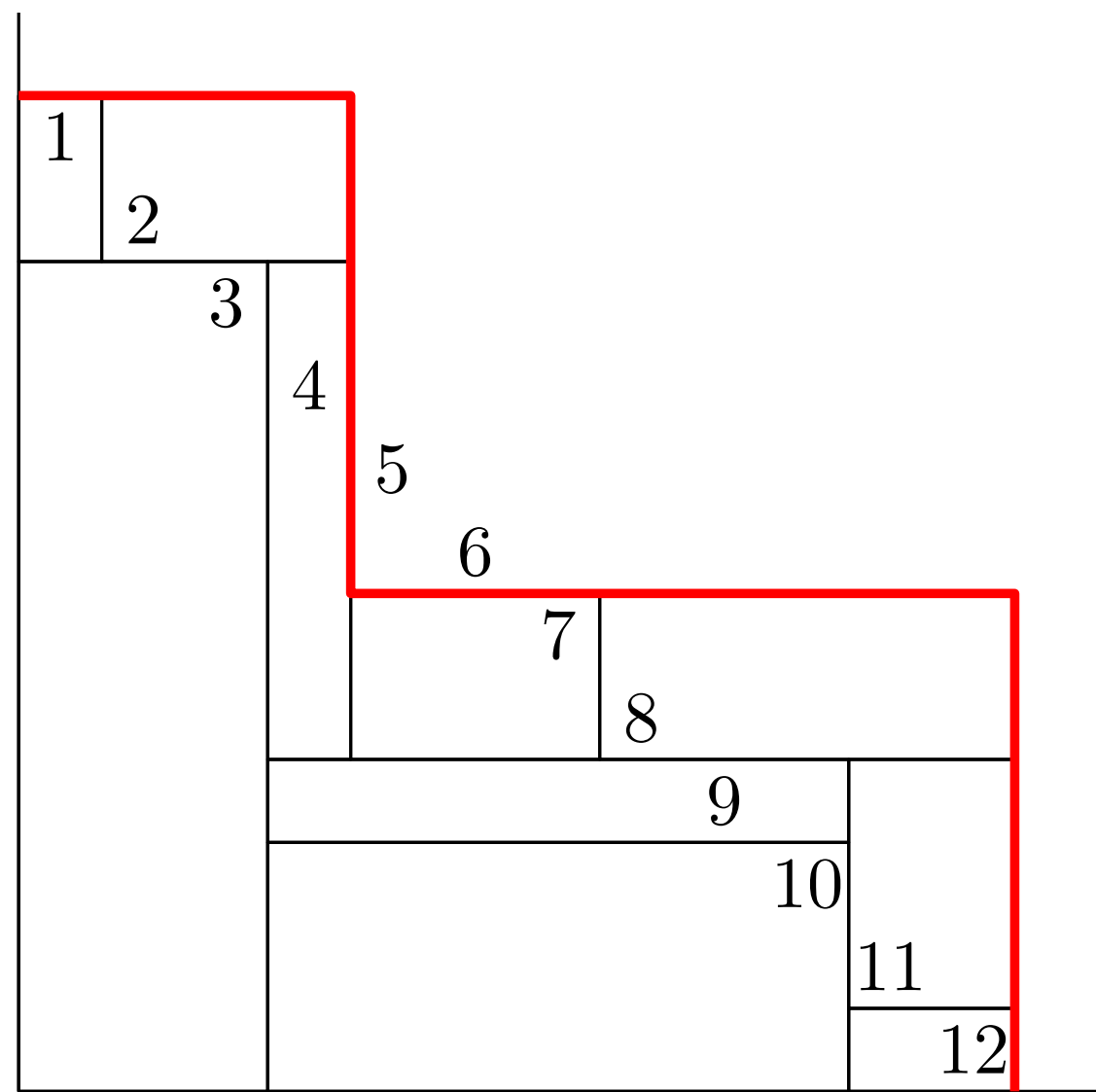
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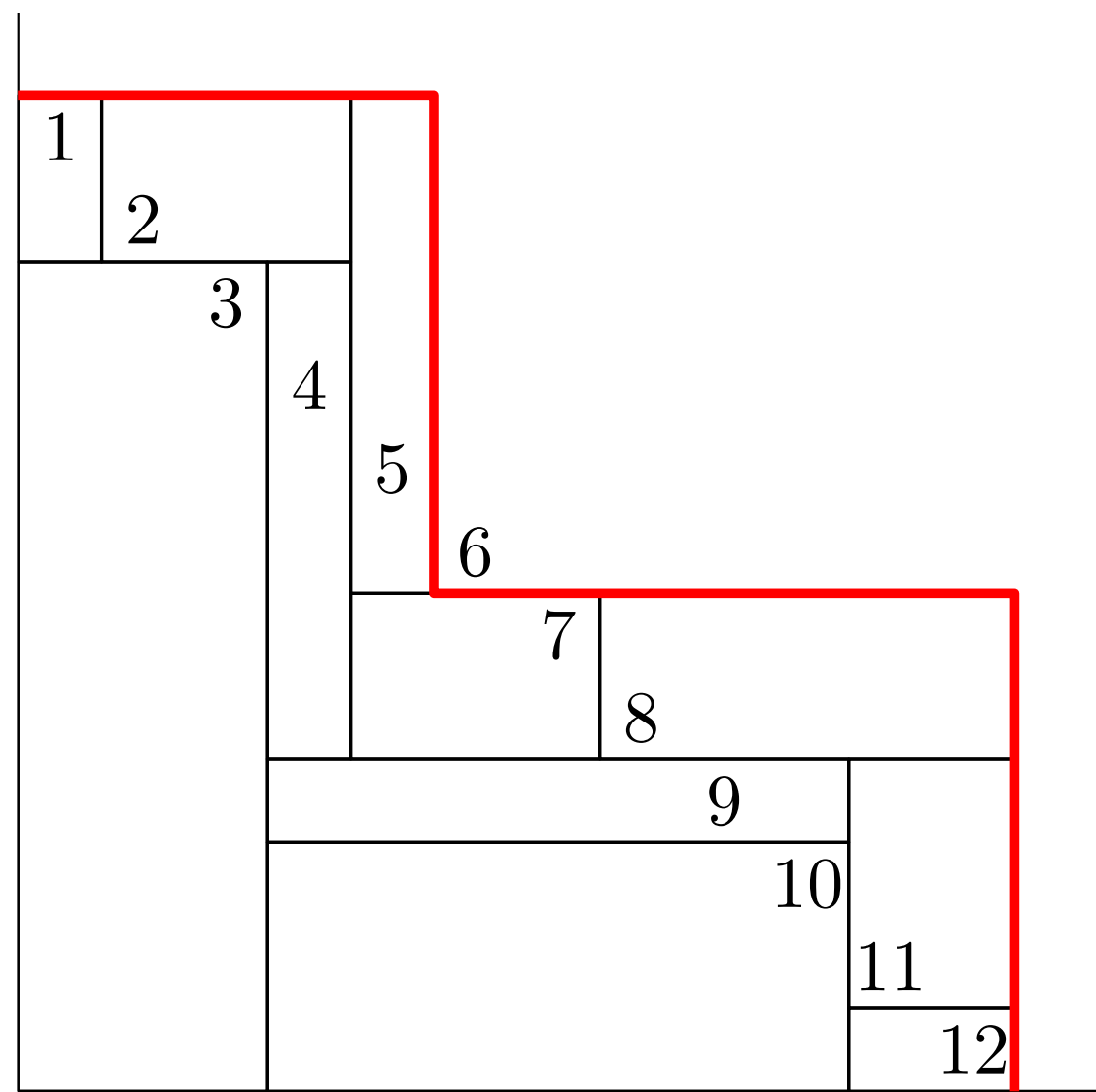
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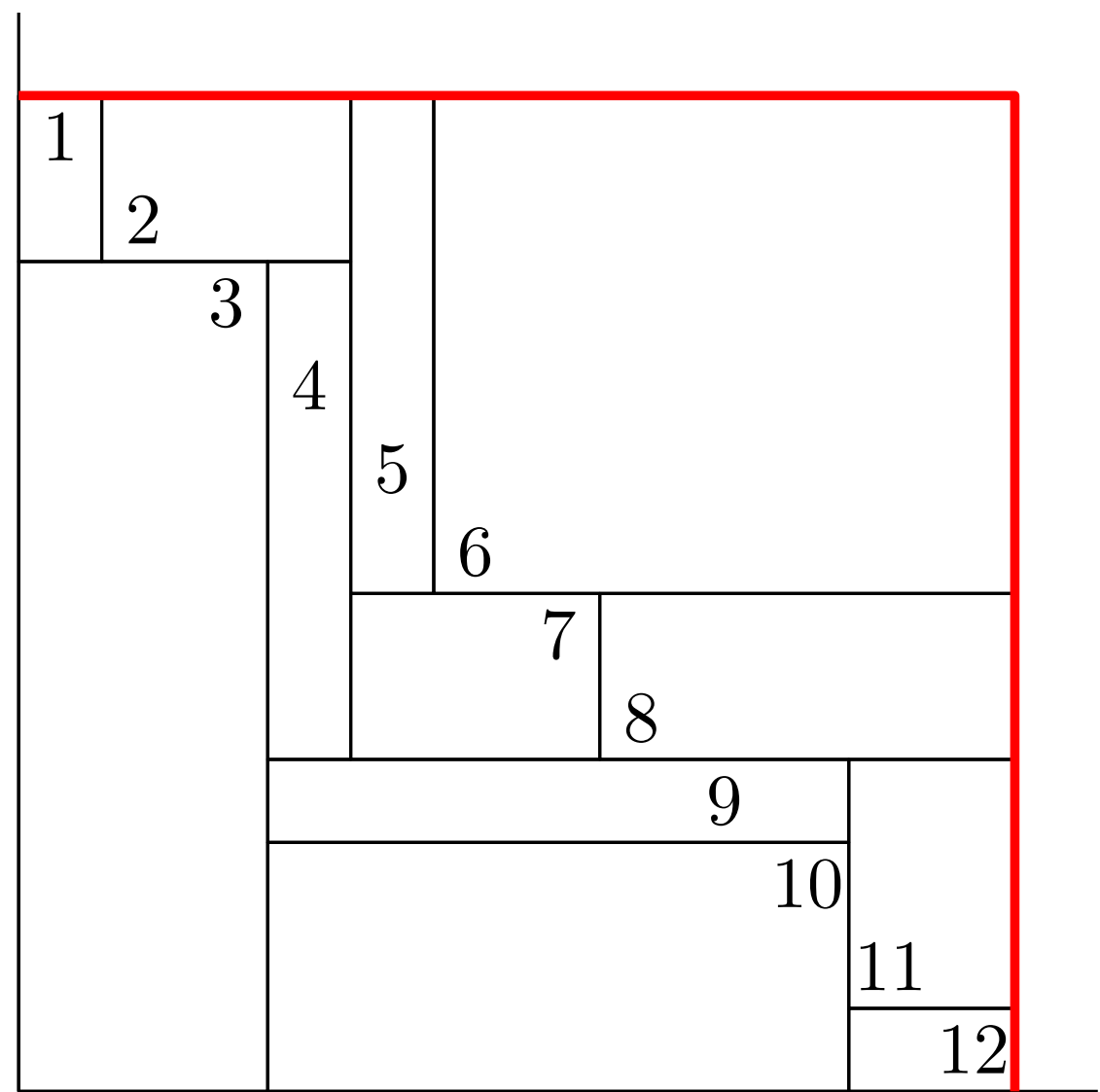
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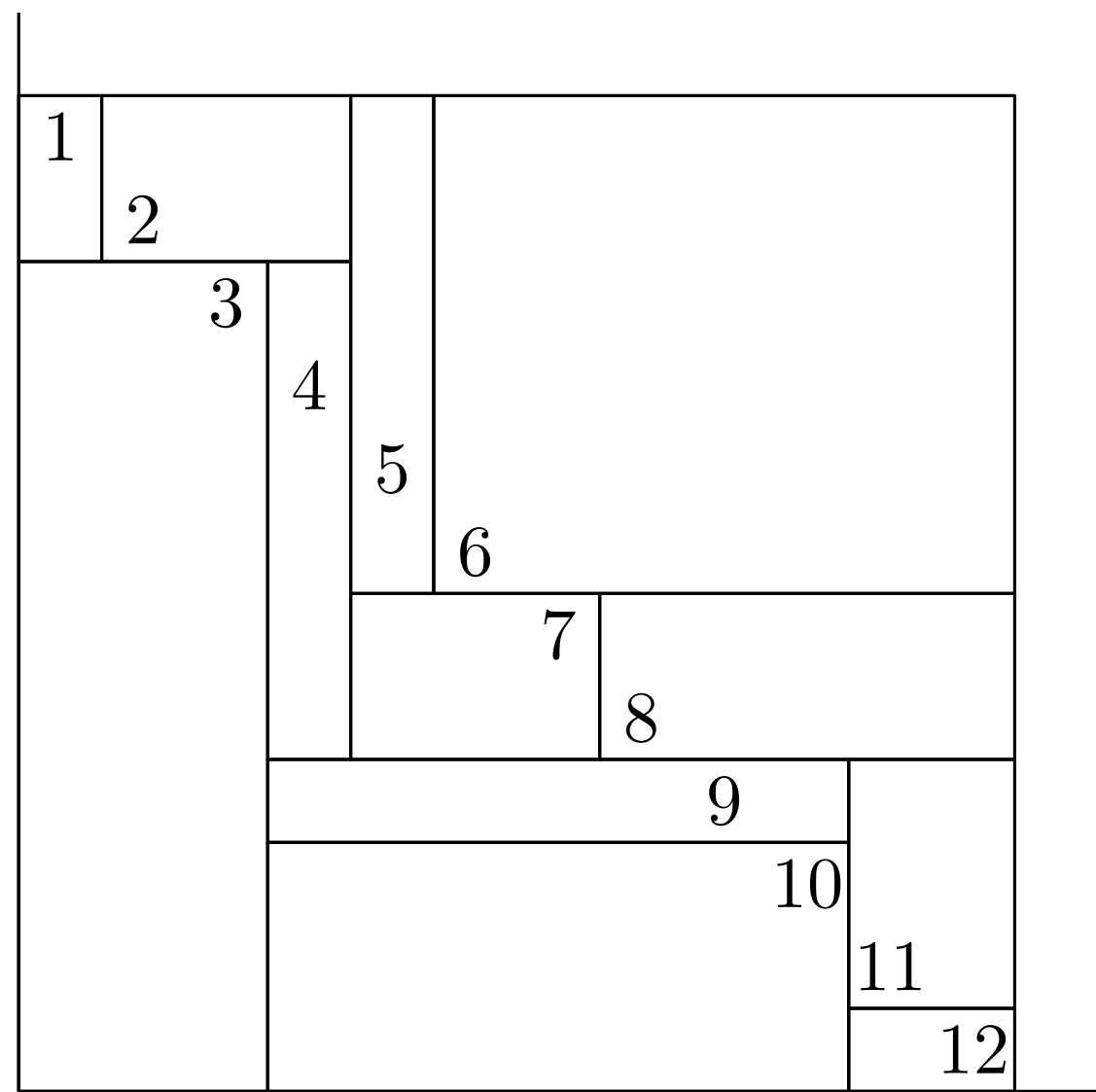
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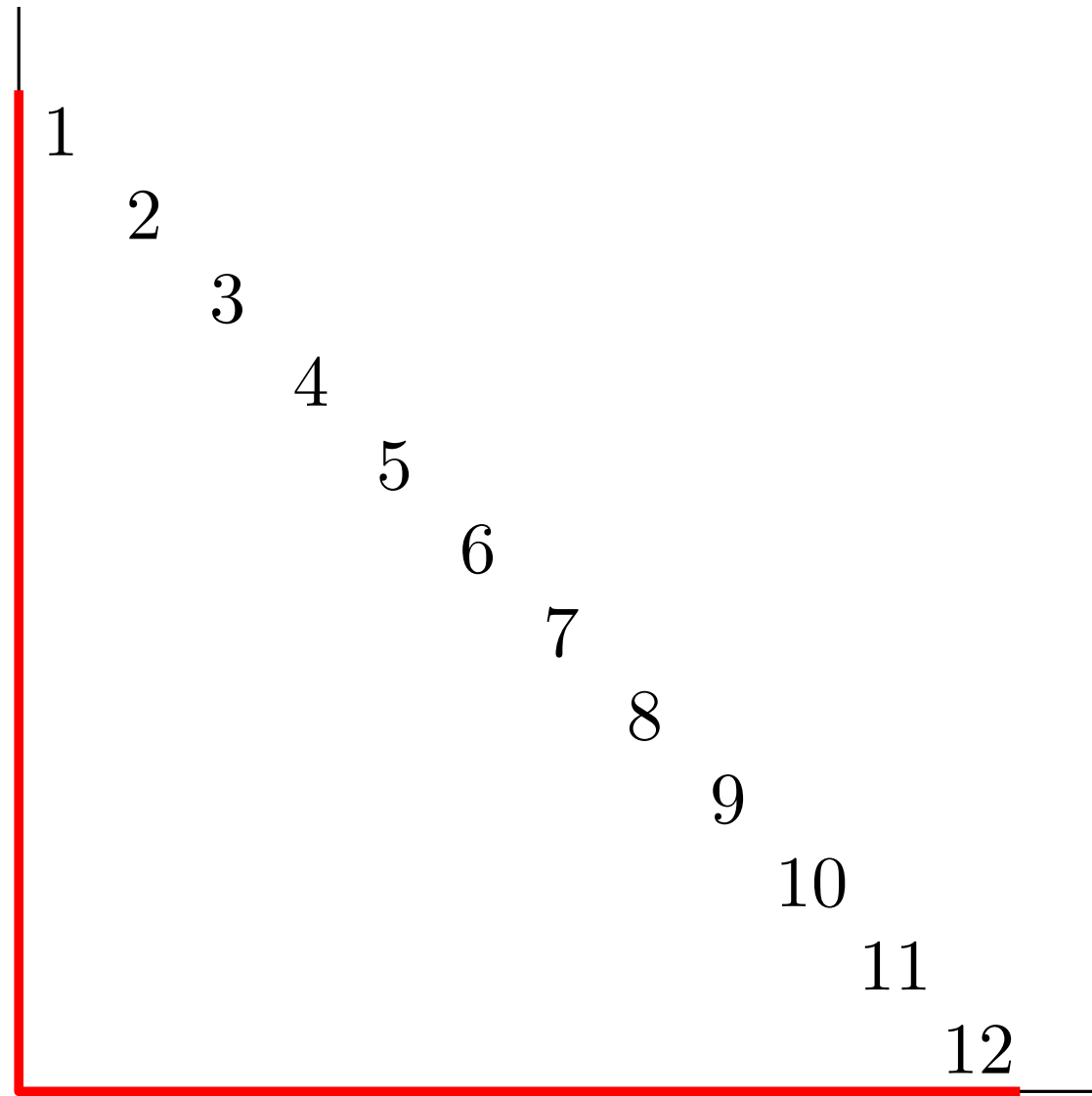
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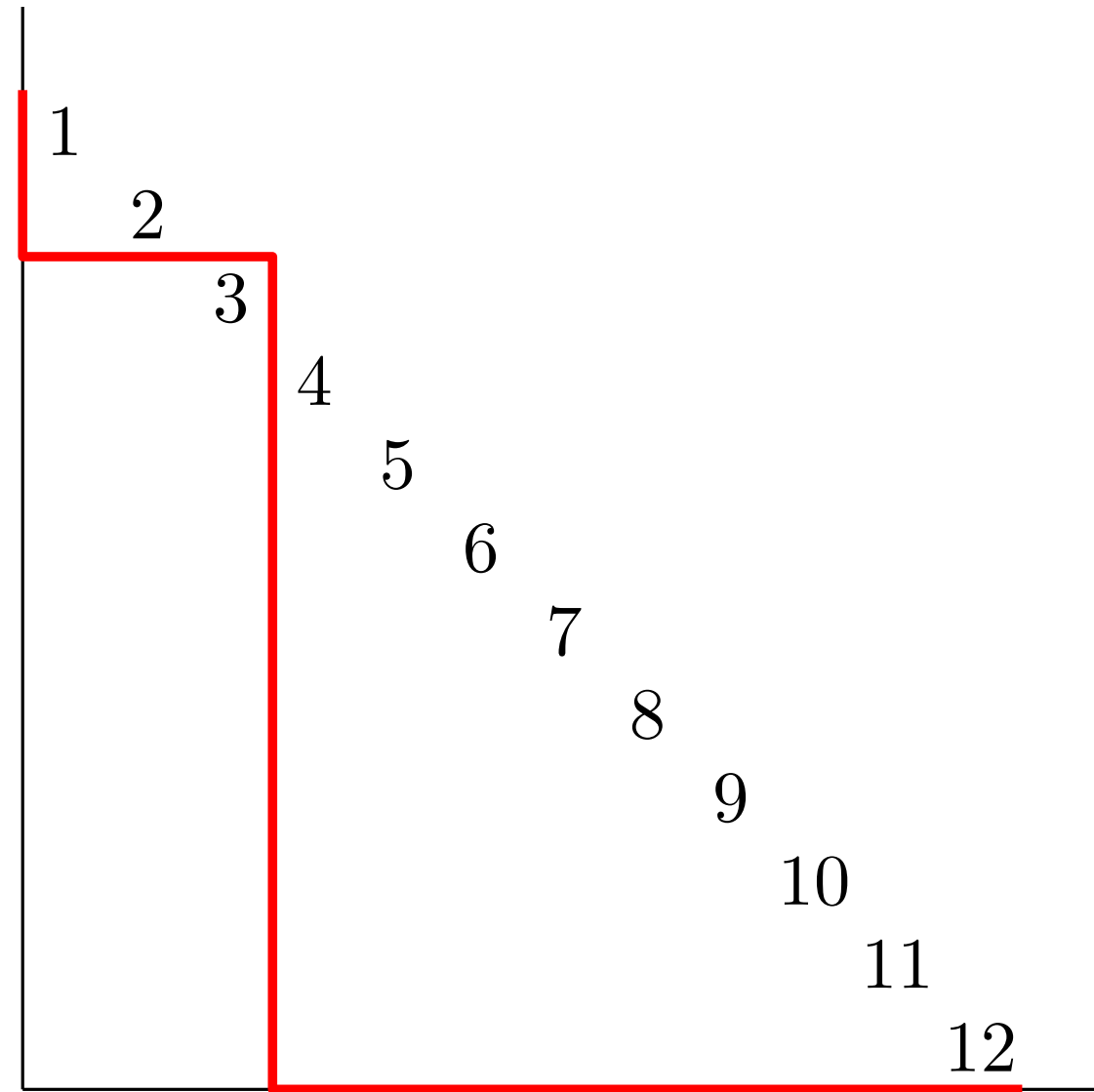


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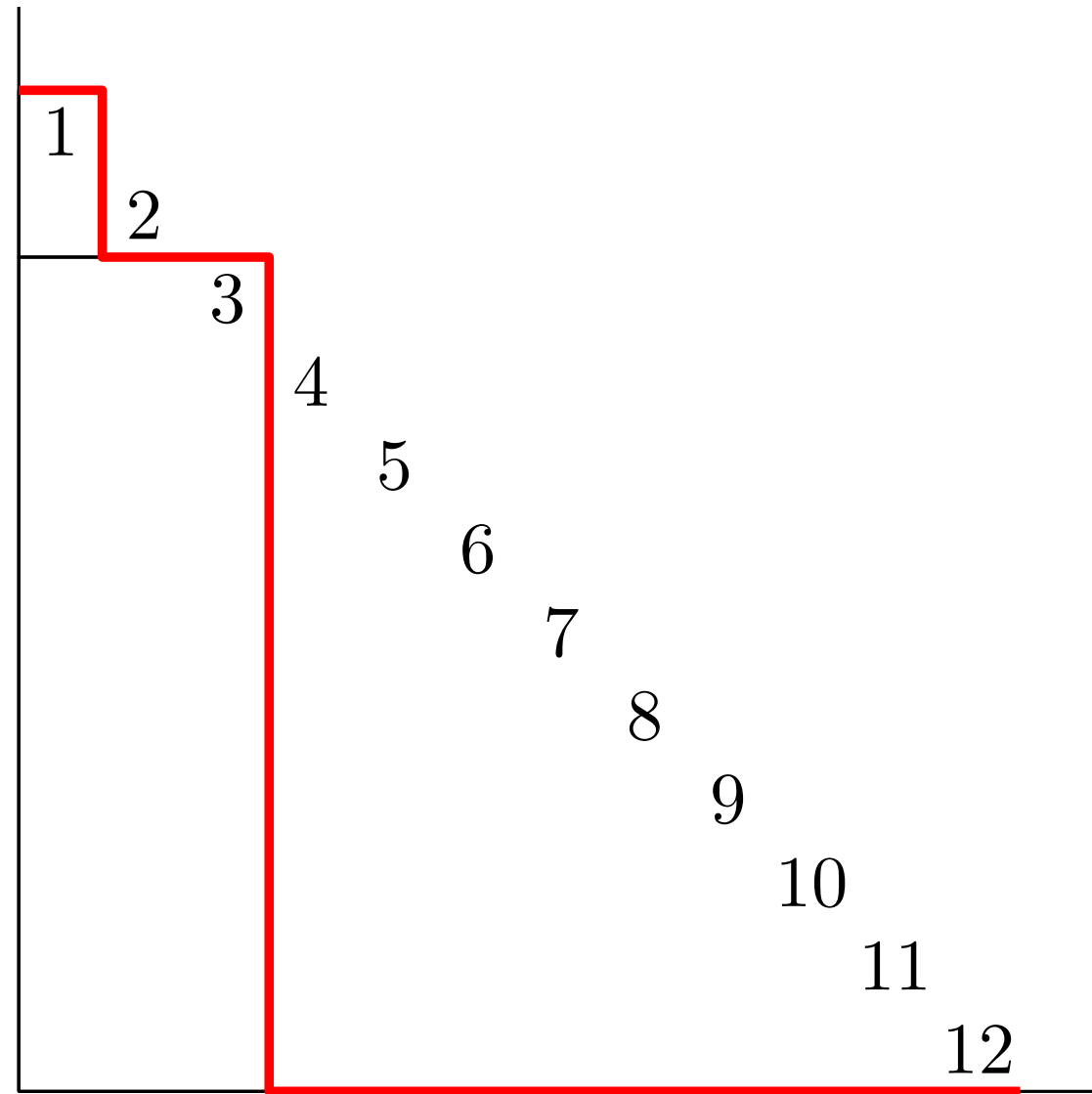


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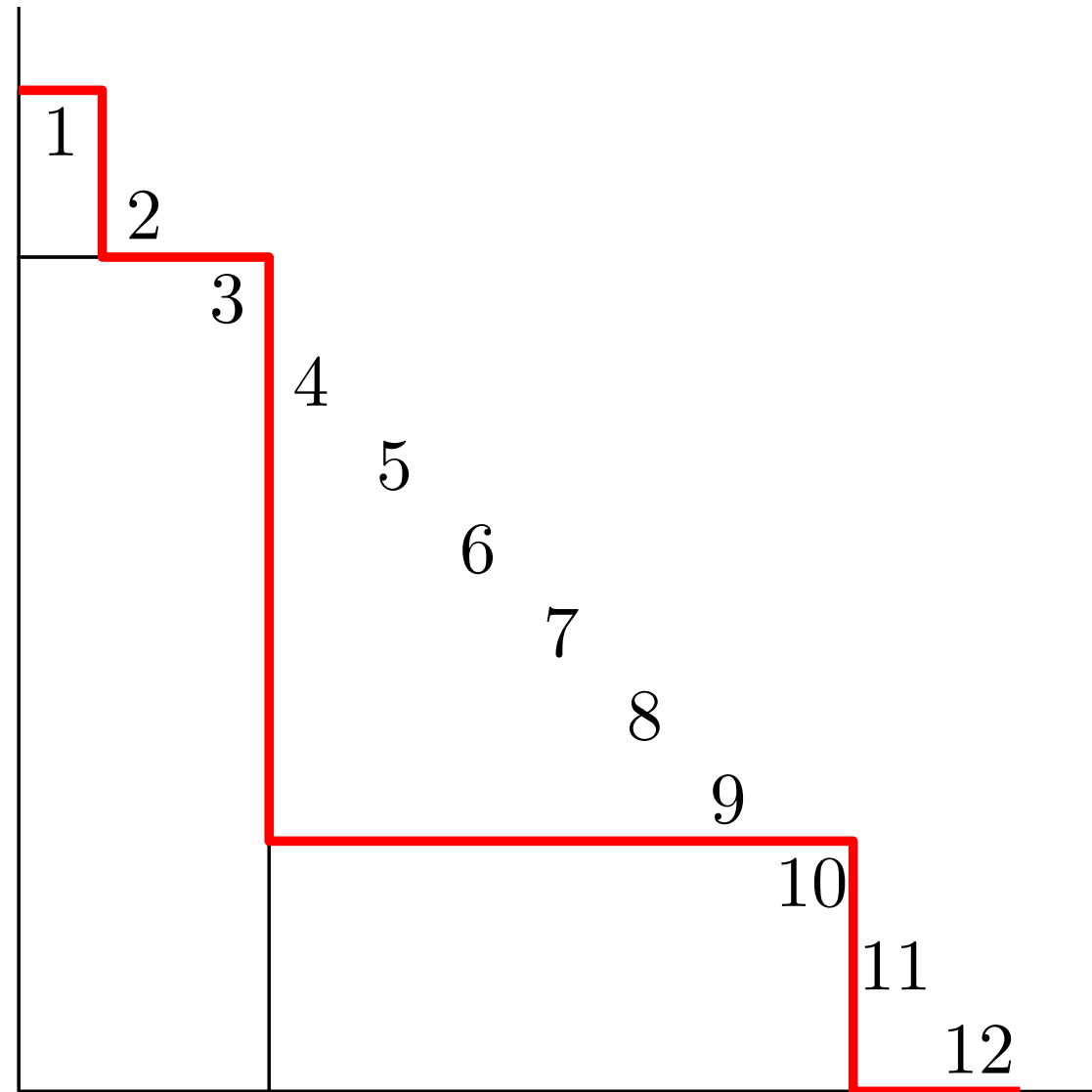
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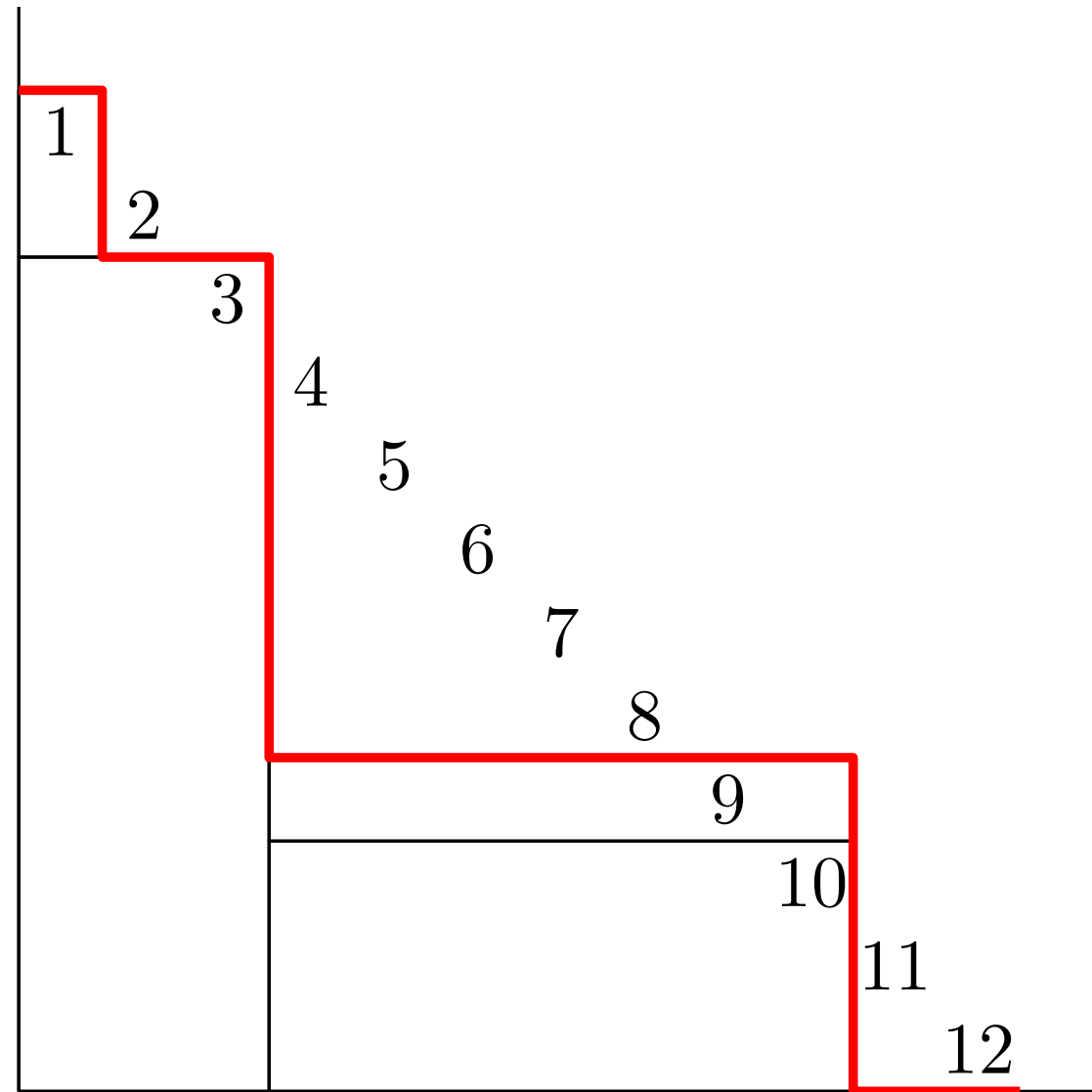
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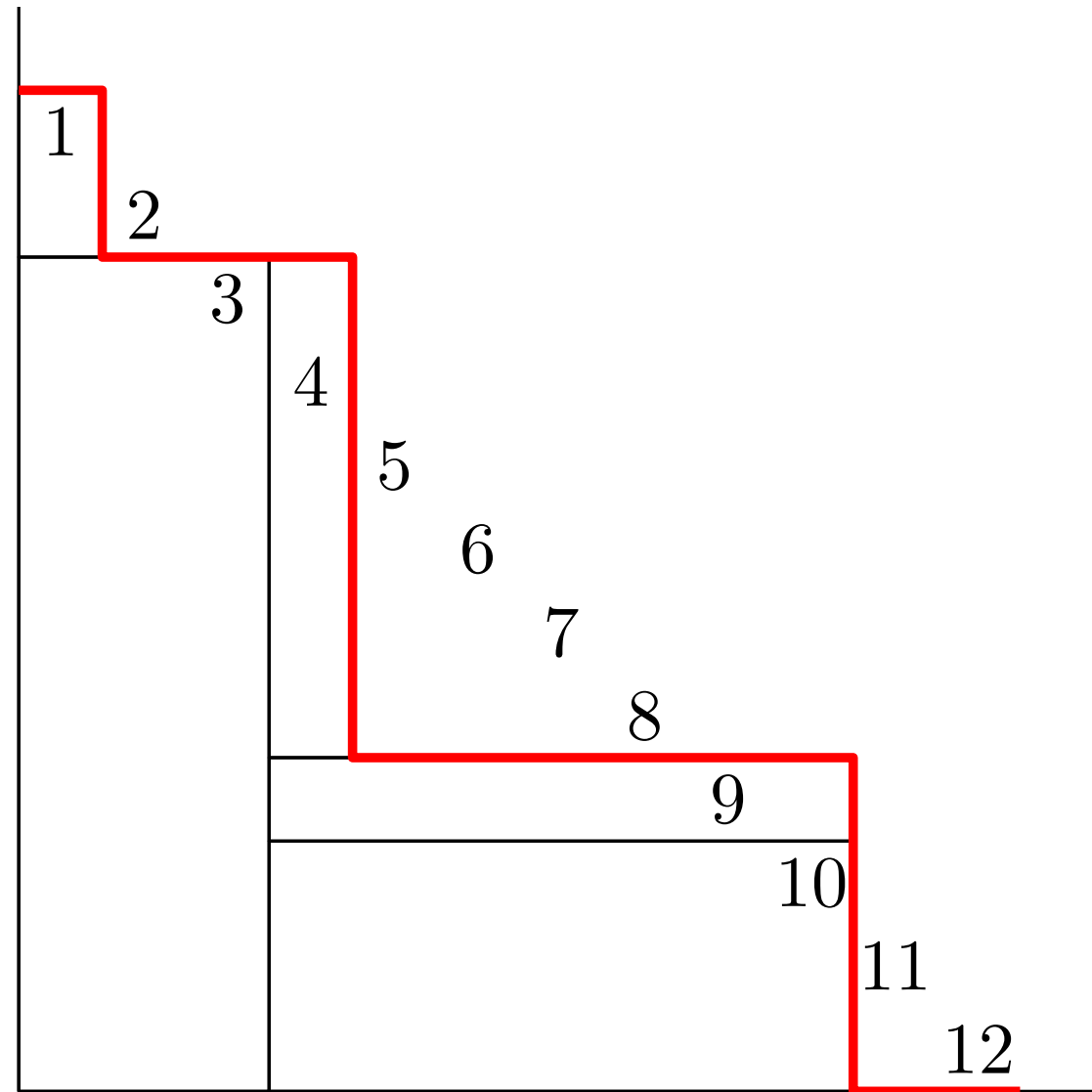
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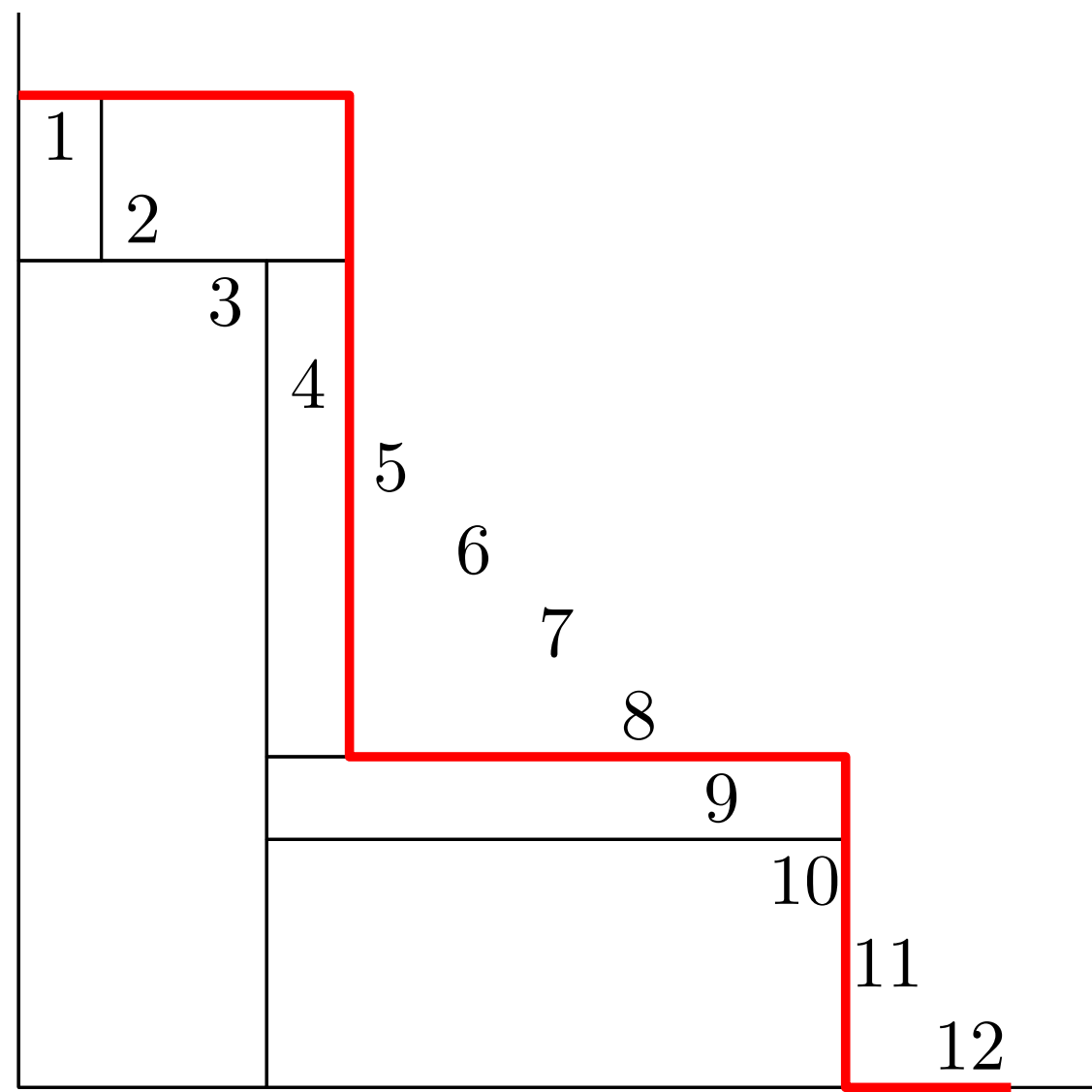
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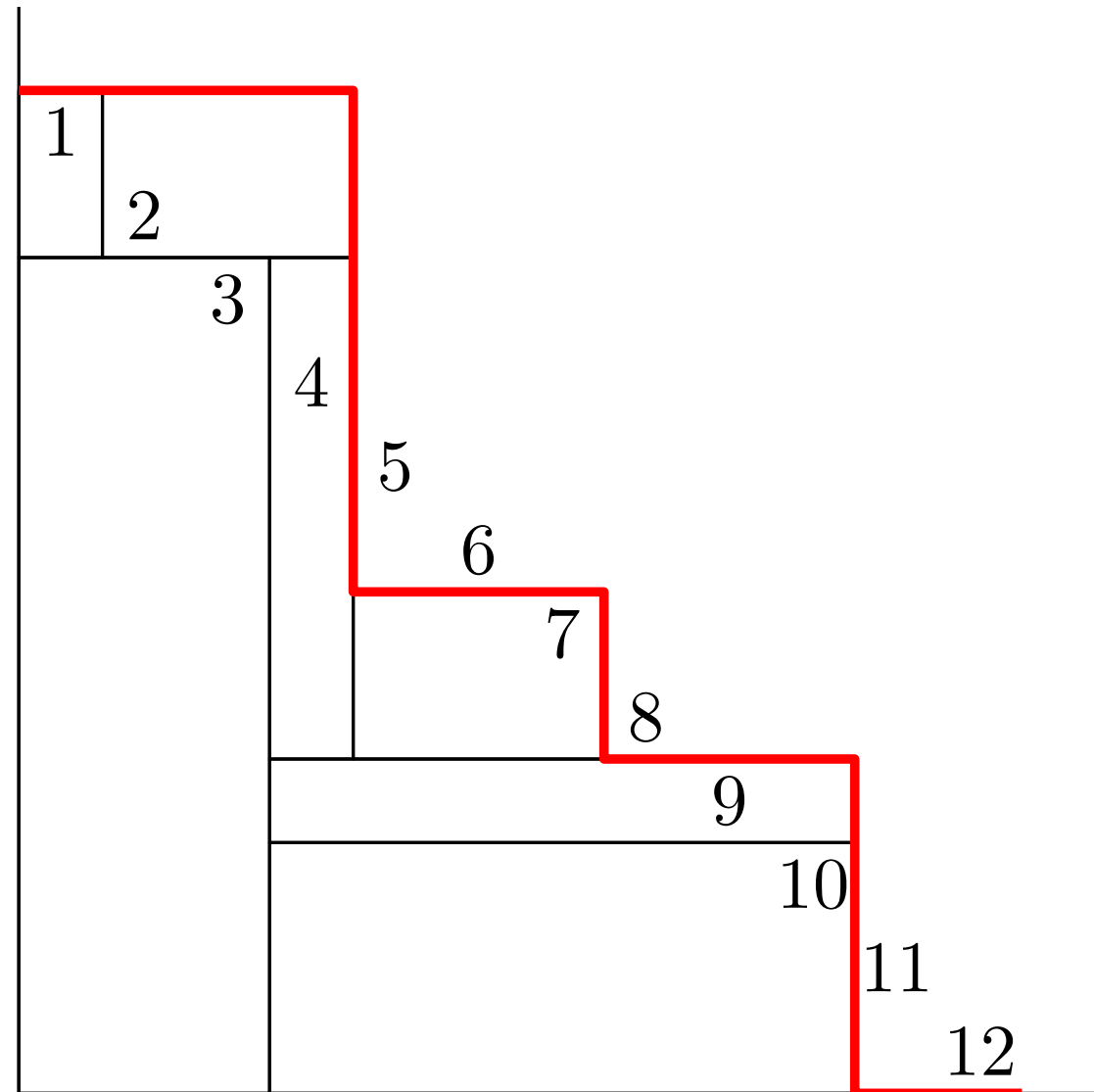
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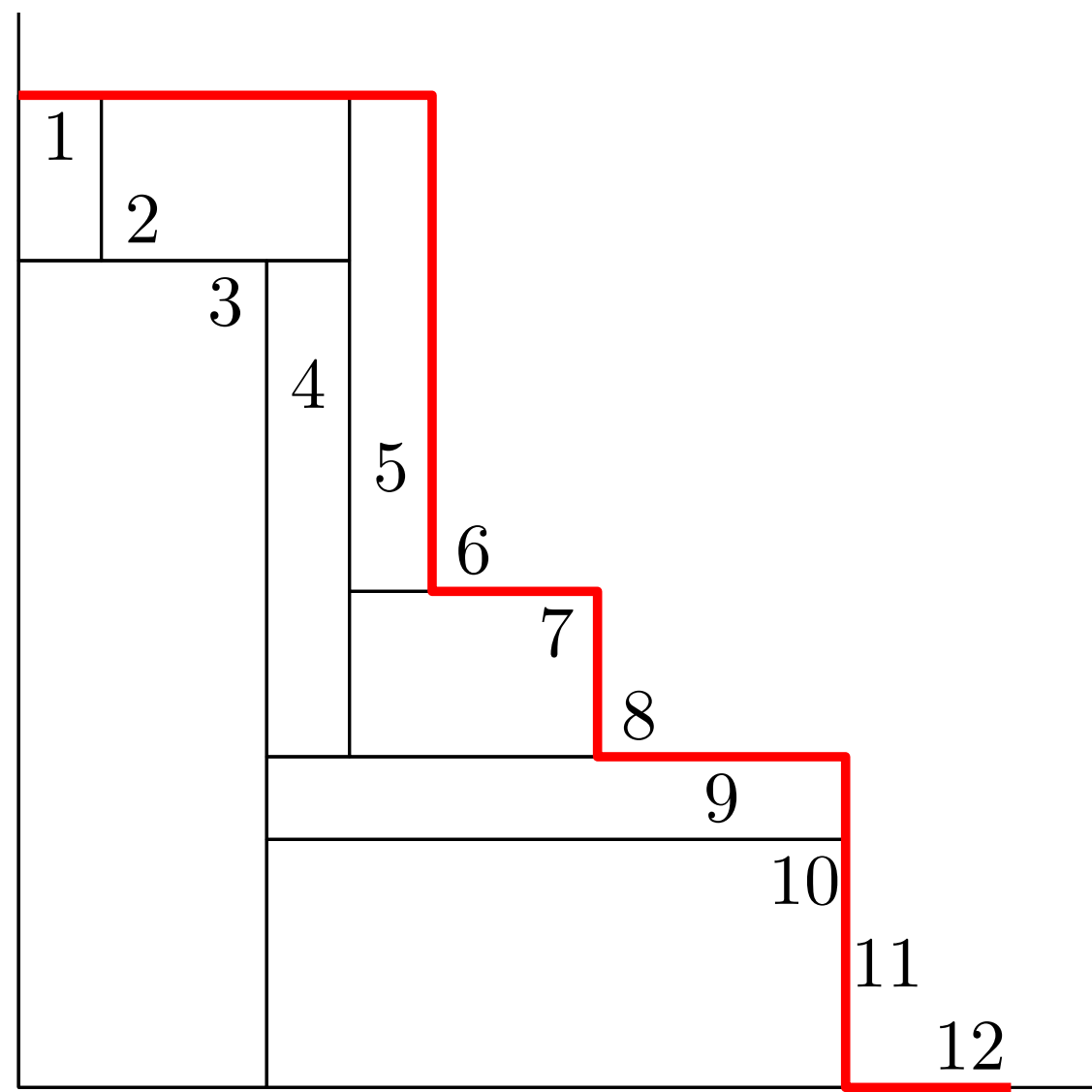
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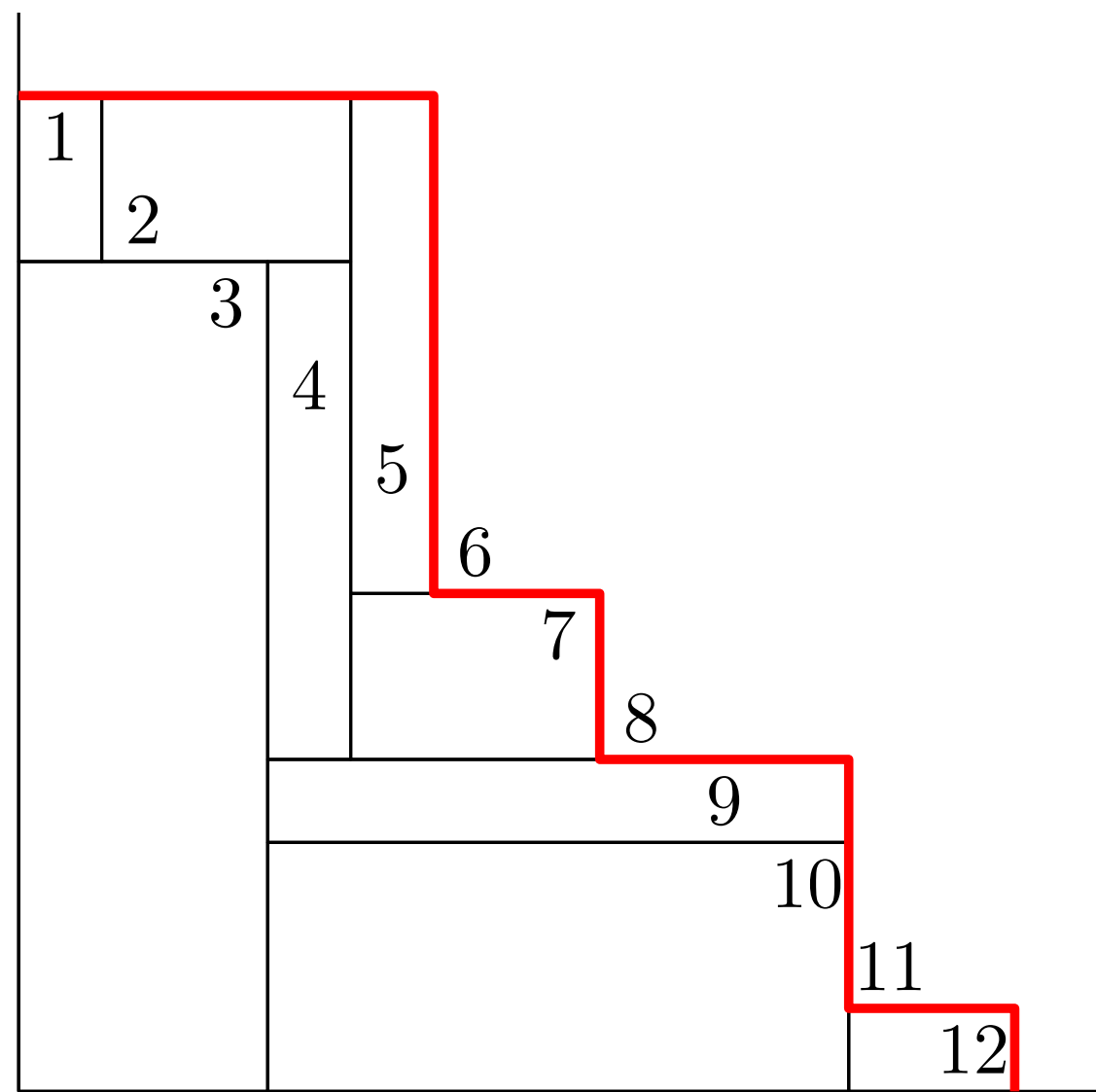
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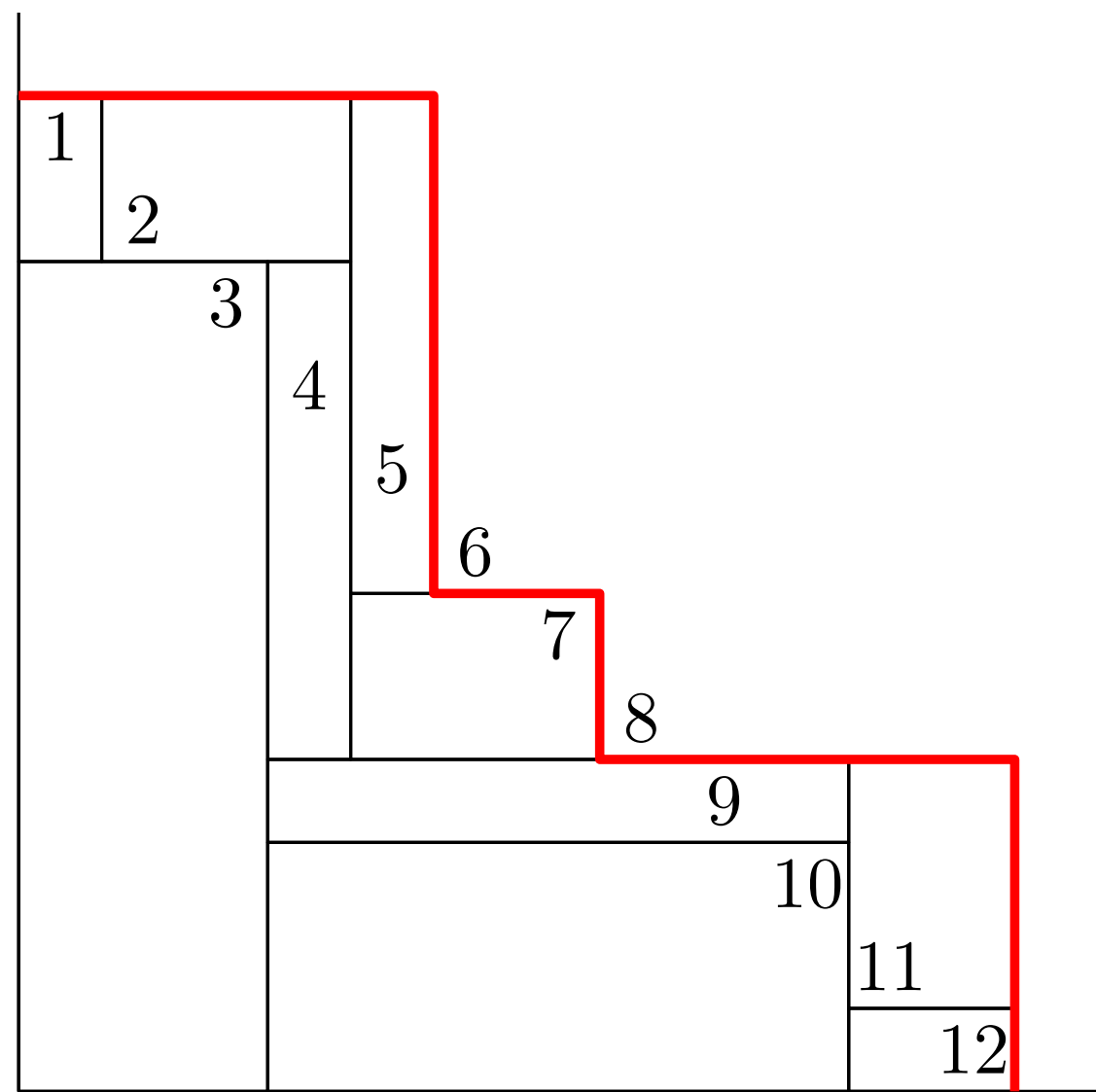
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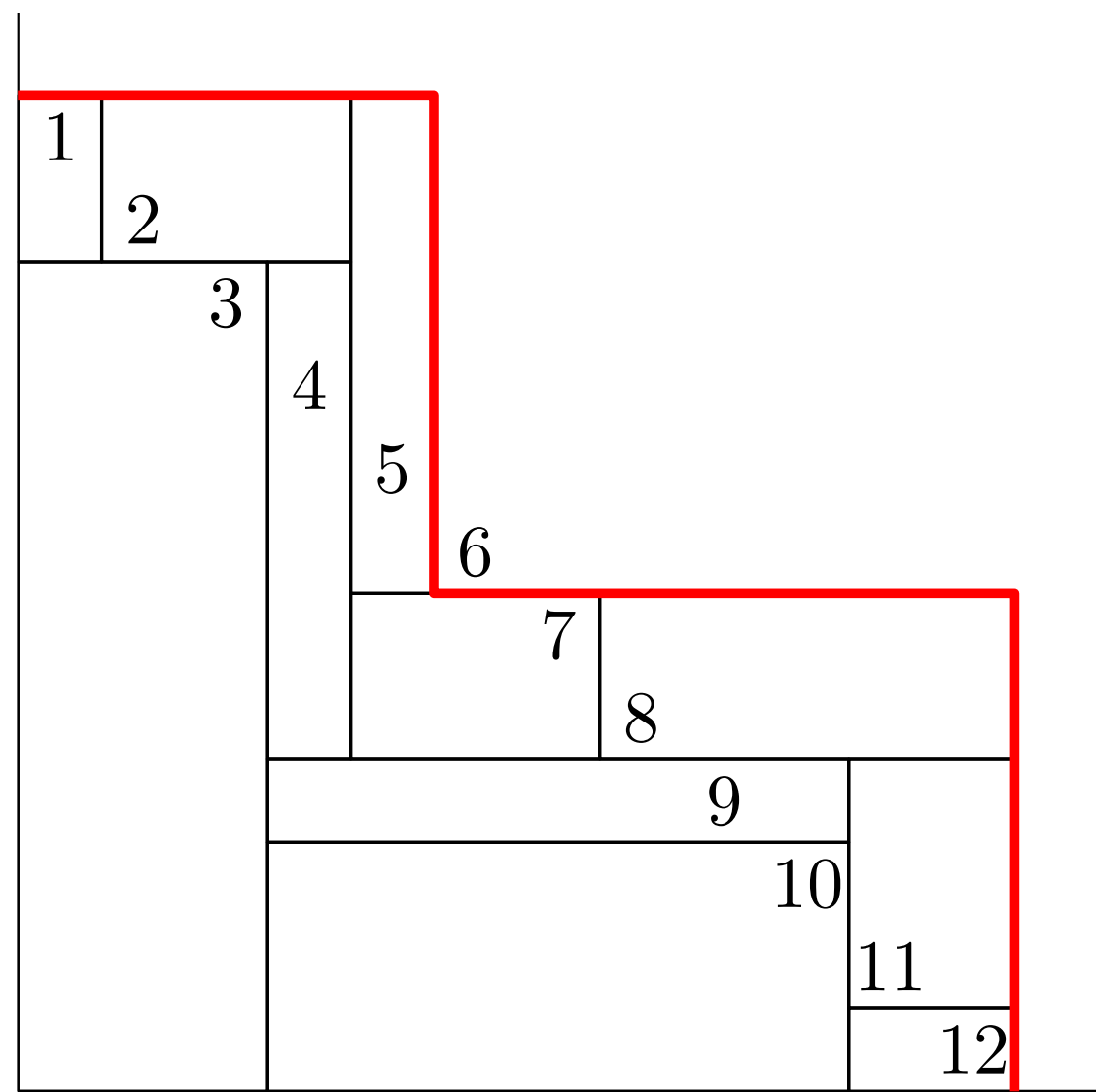
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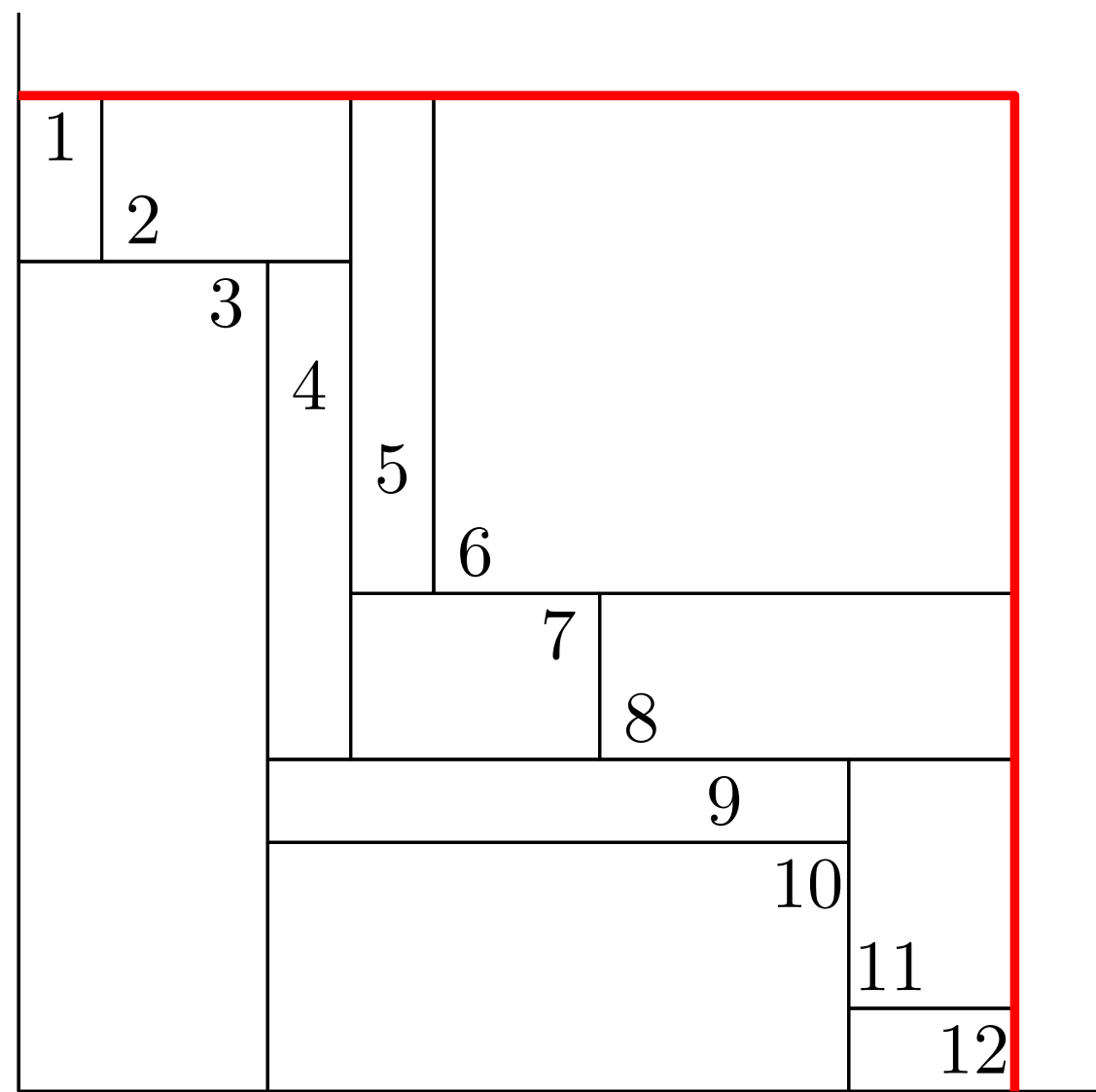
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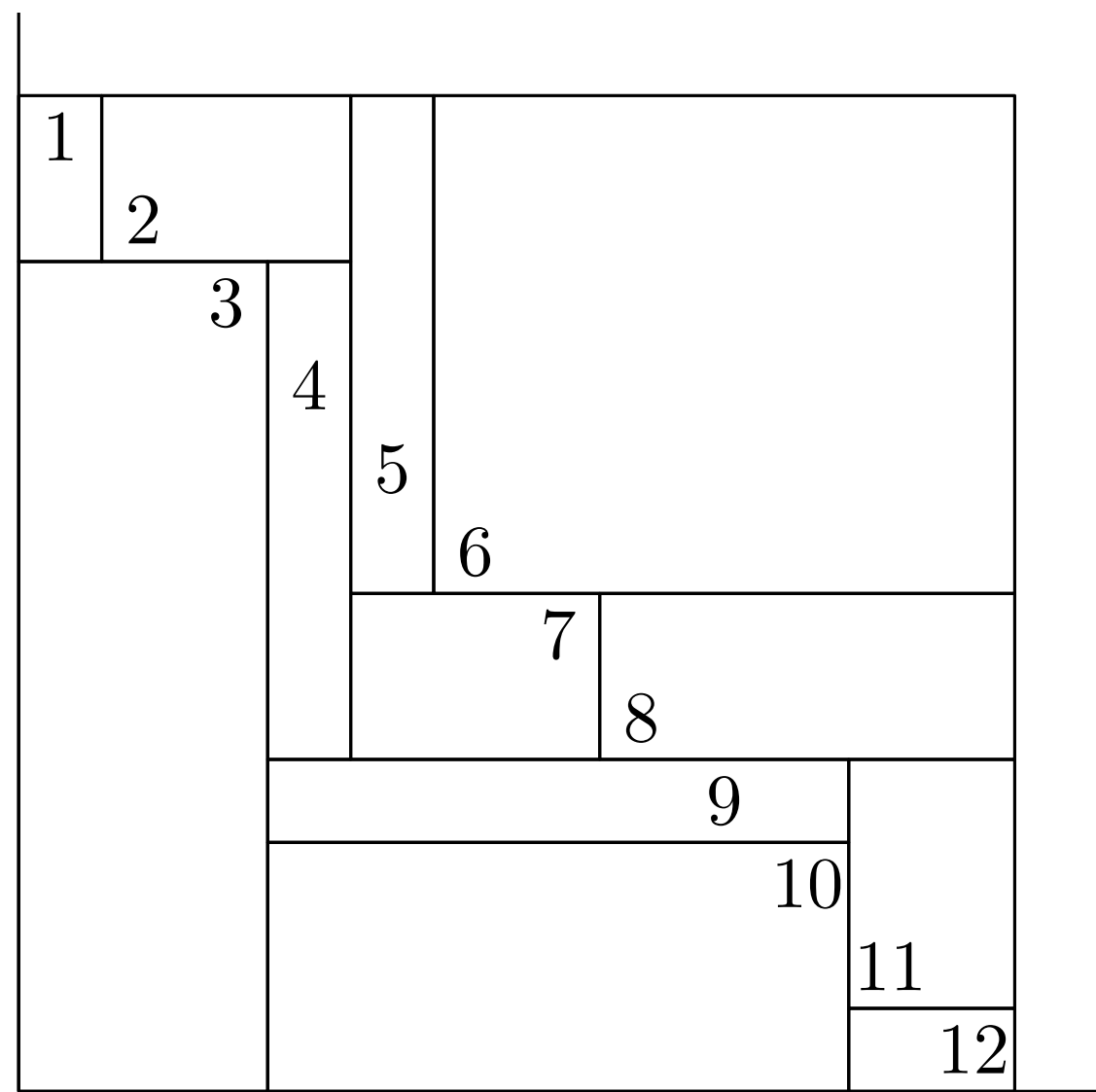
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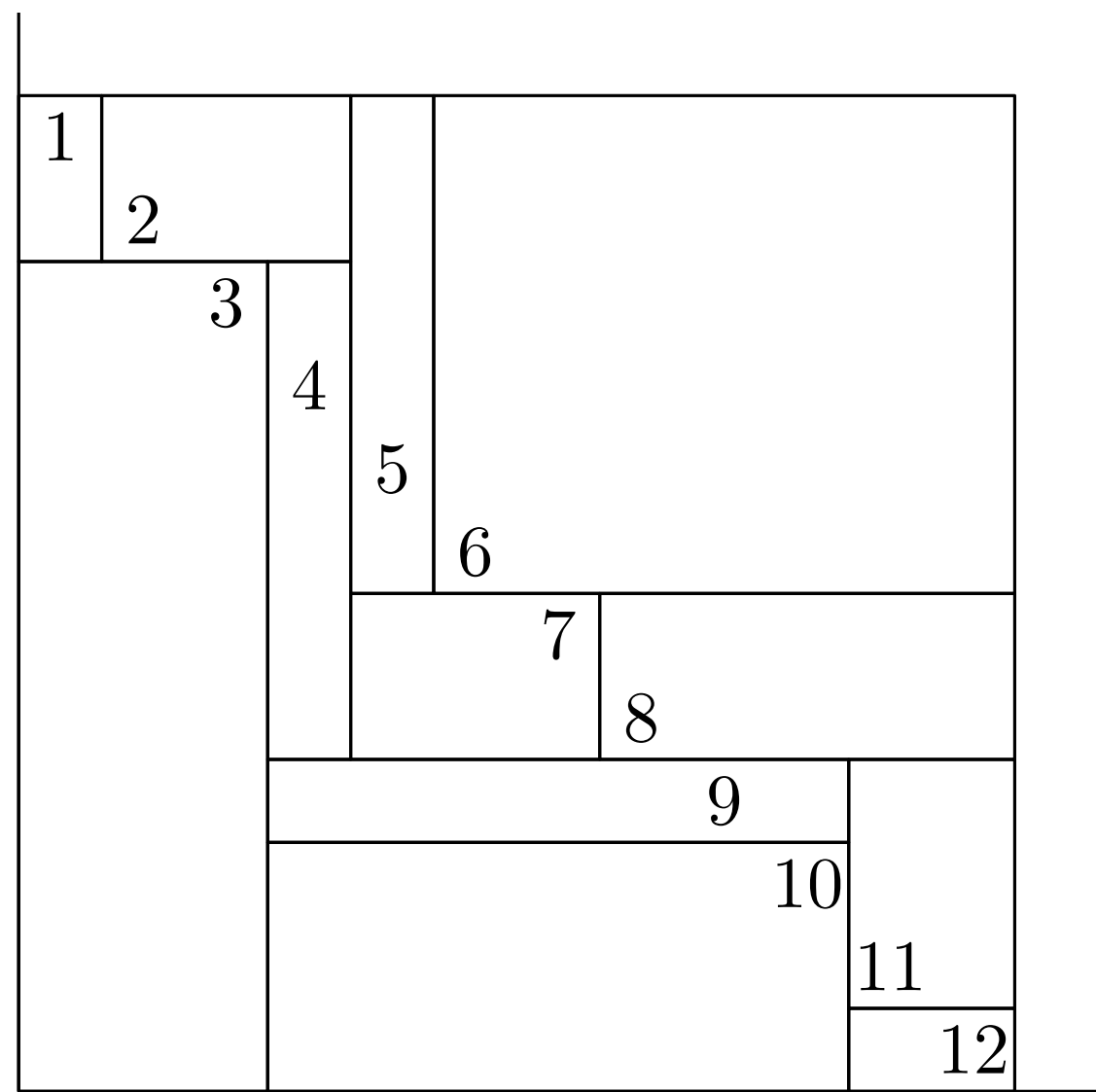
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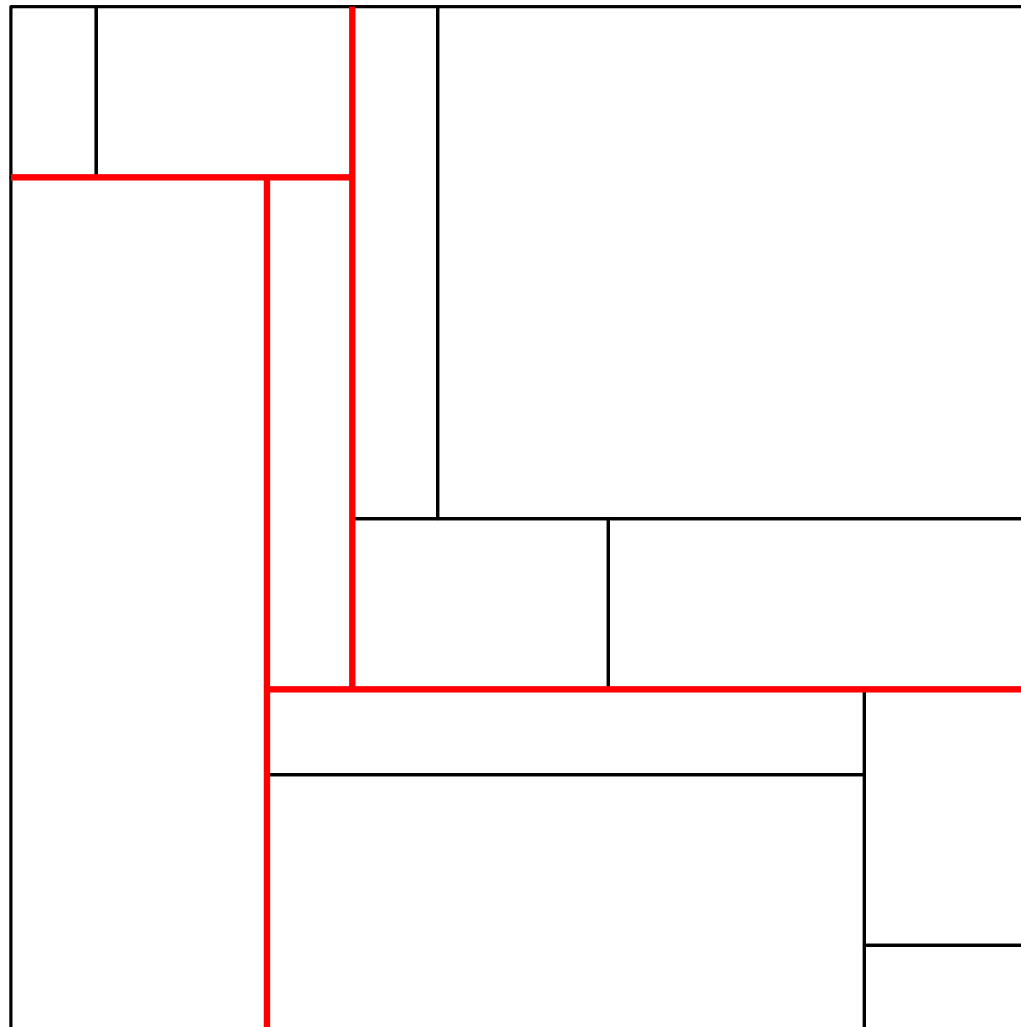
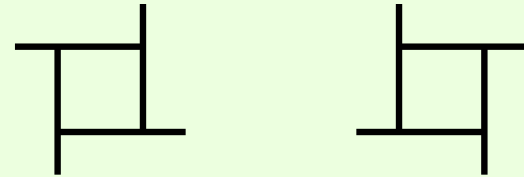
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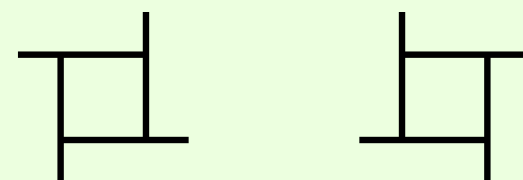
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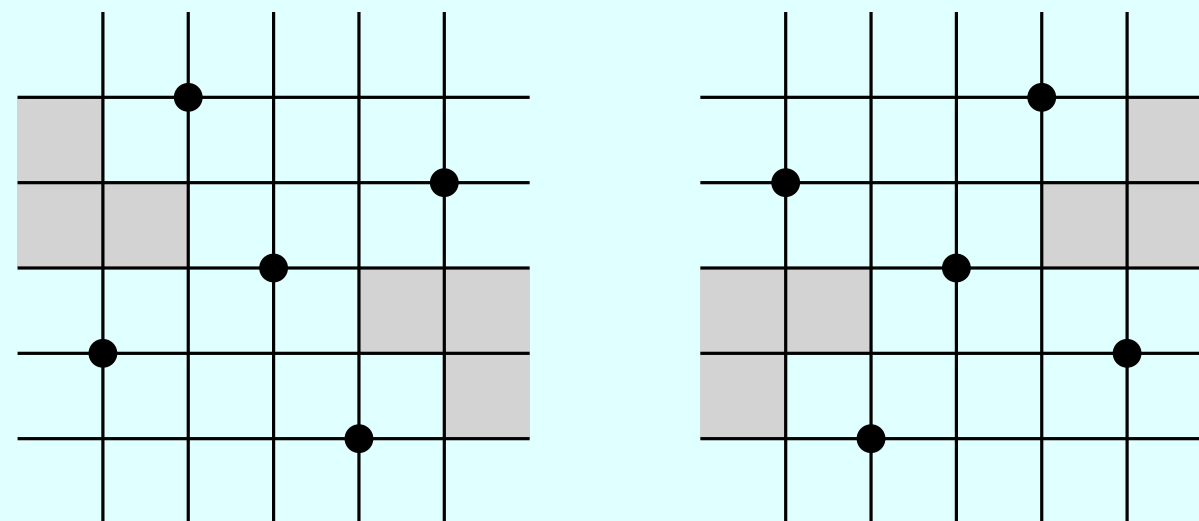
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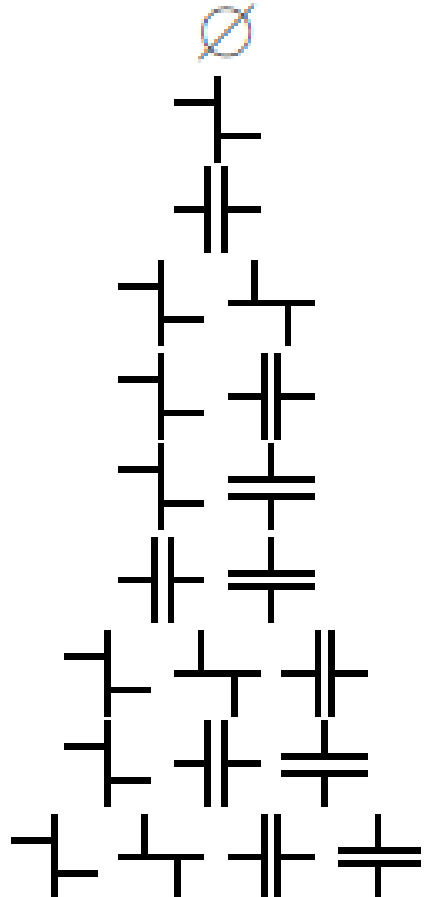
Theorem (Asinowski, Cardinal, Felsner, Fusy 2024)

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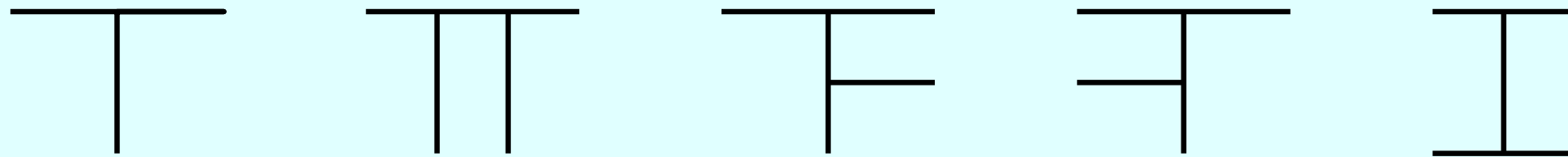
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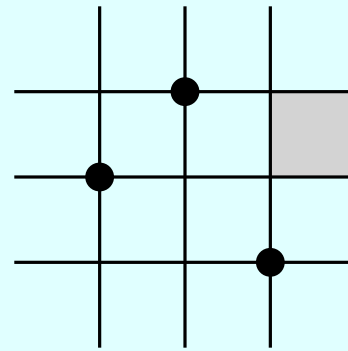
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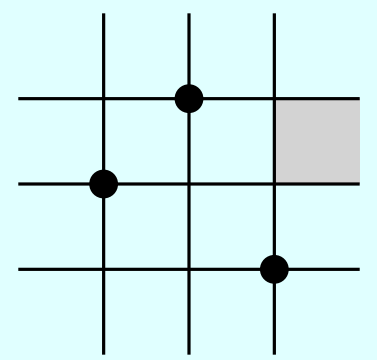
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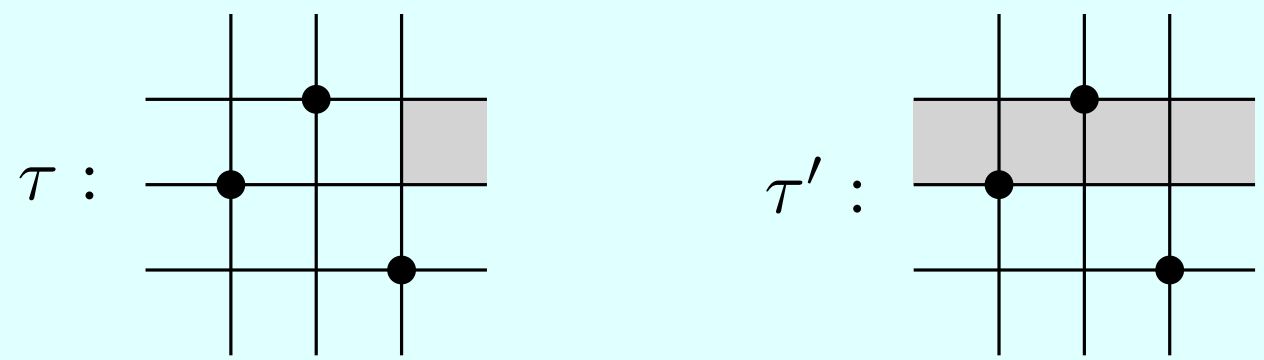
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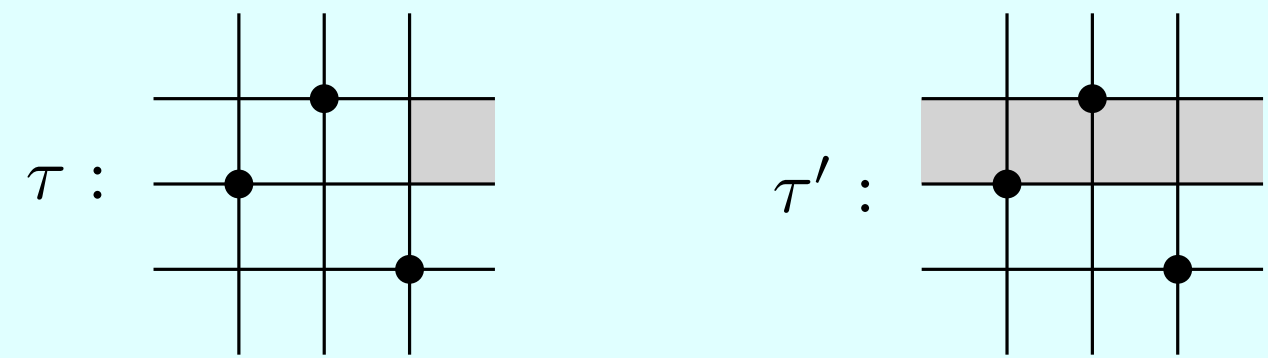
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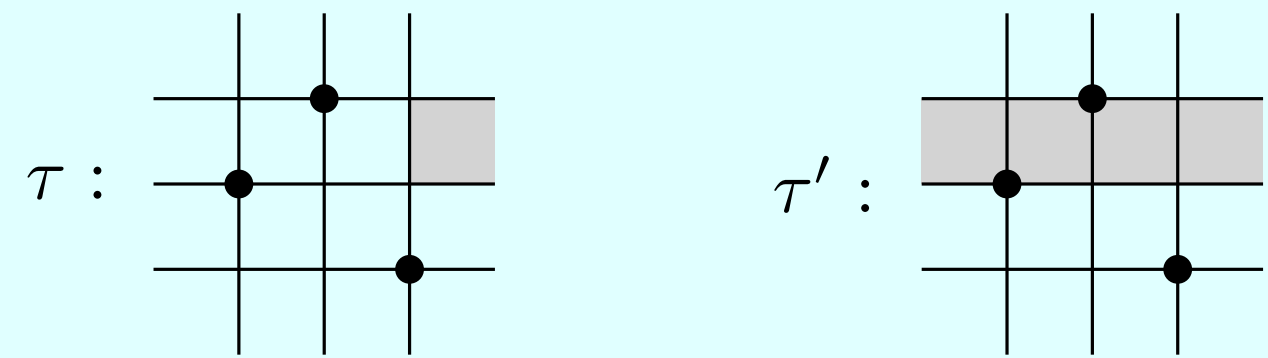


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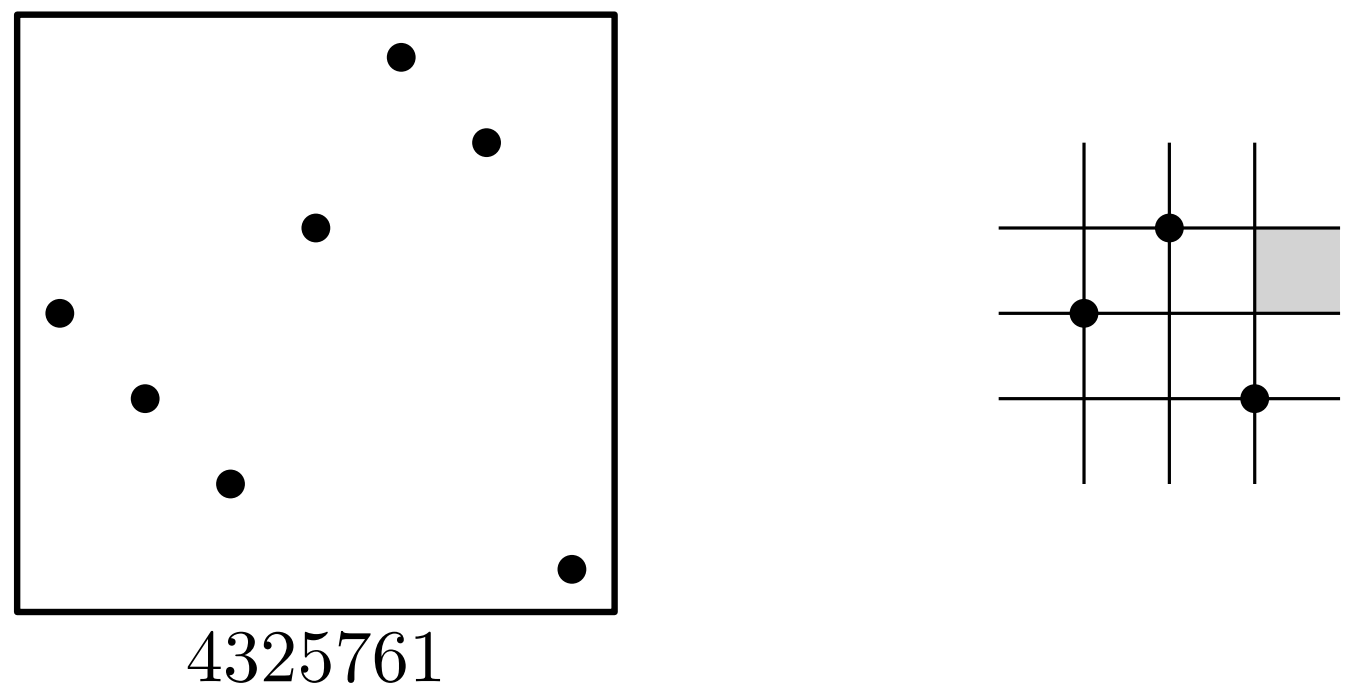
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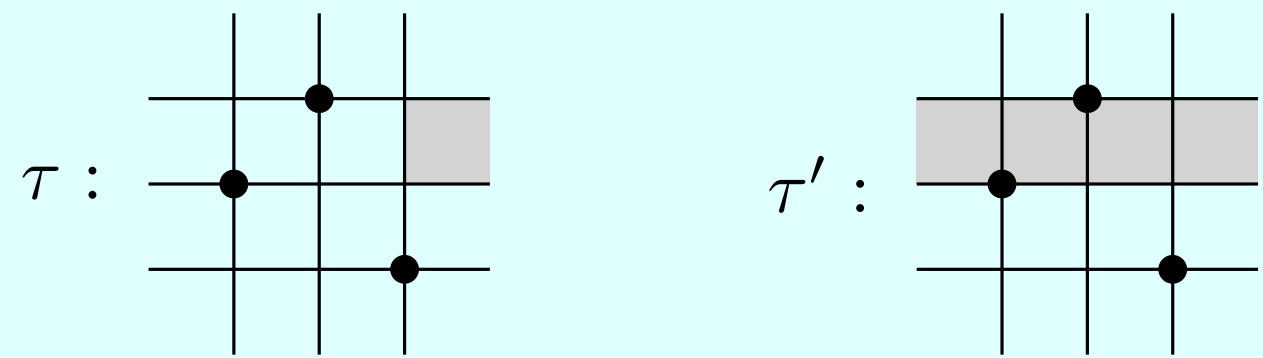
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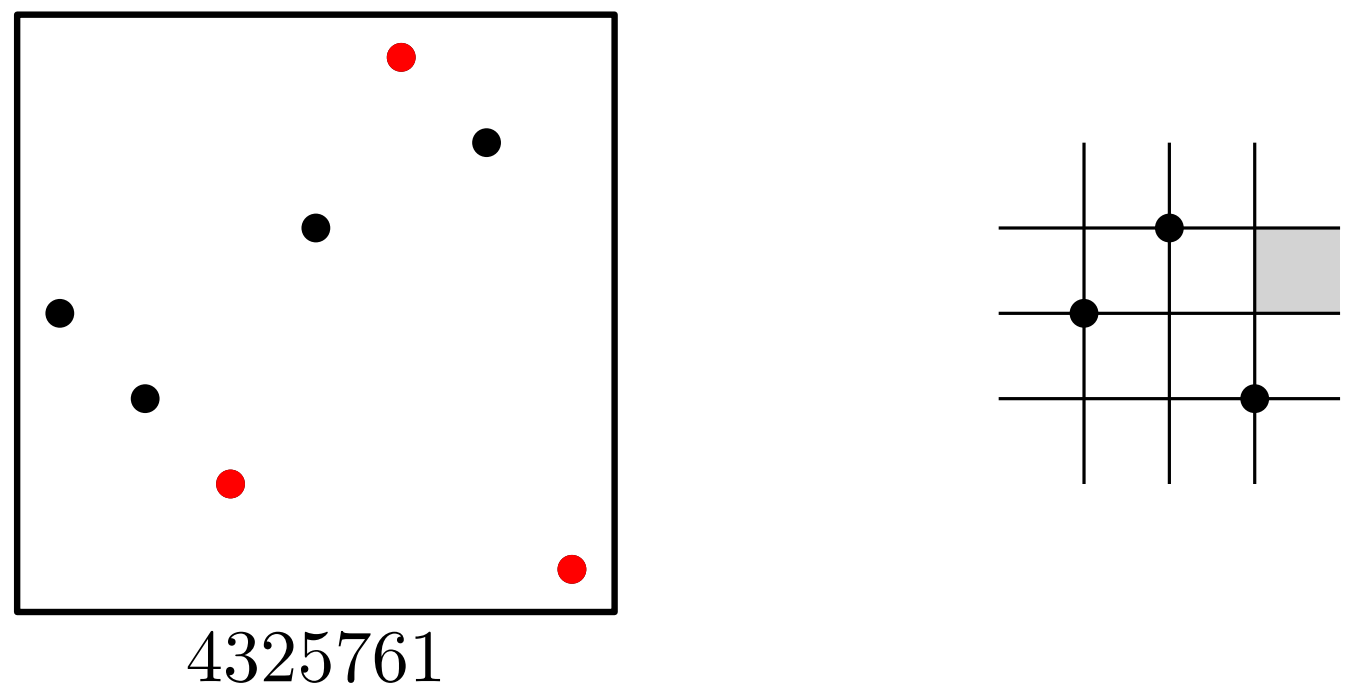
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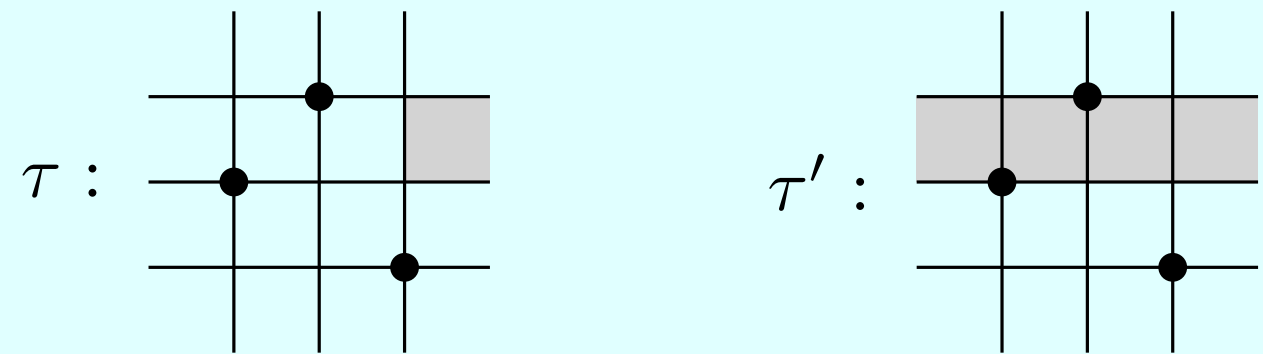
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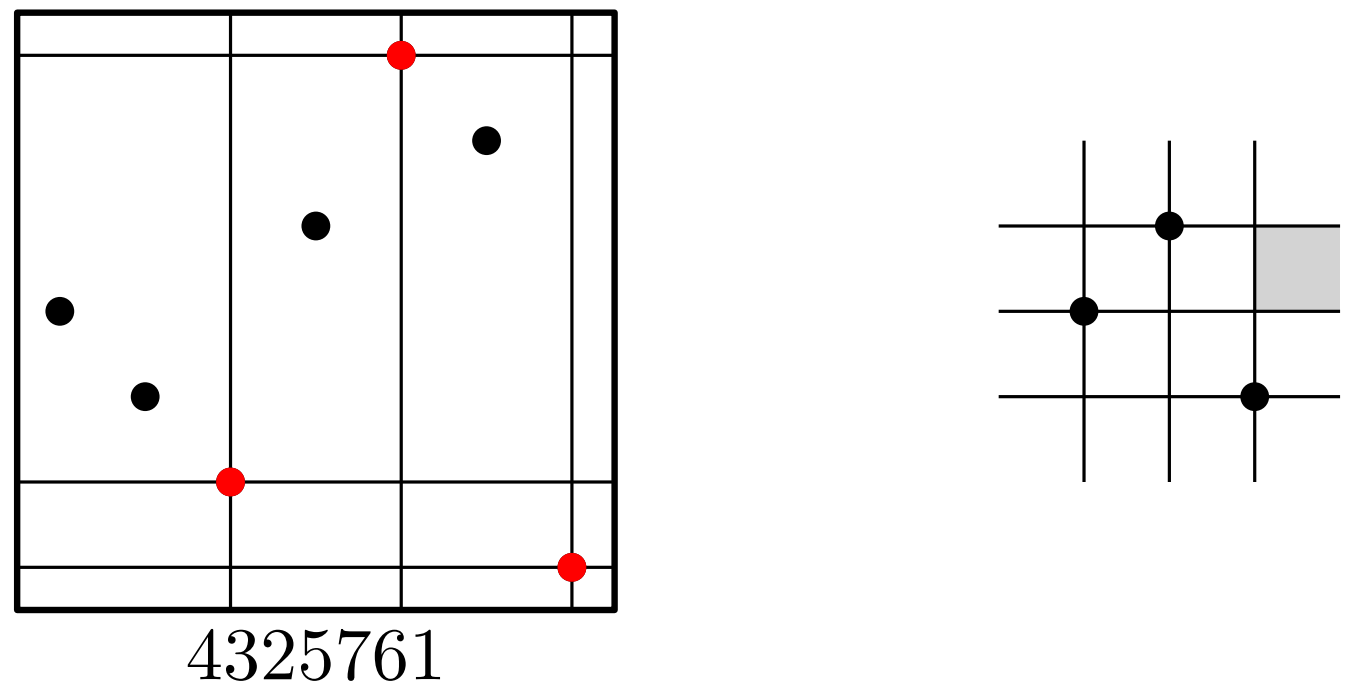
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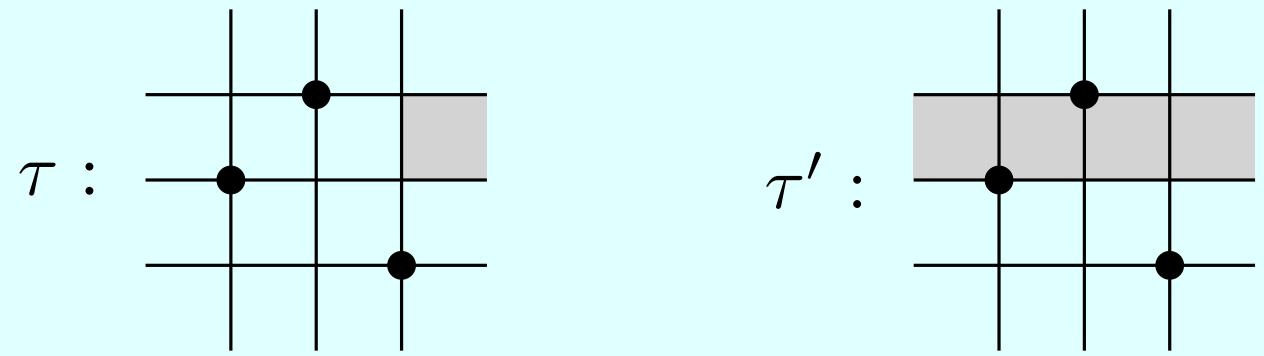
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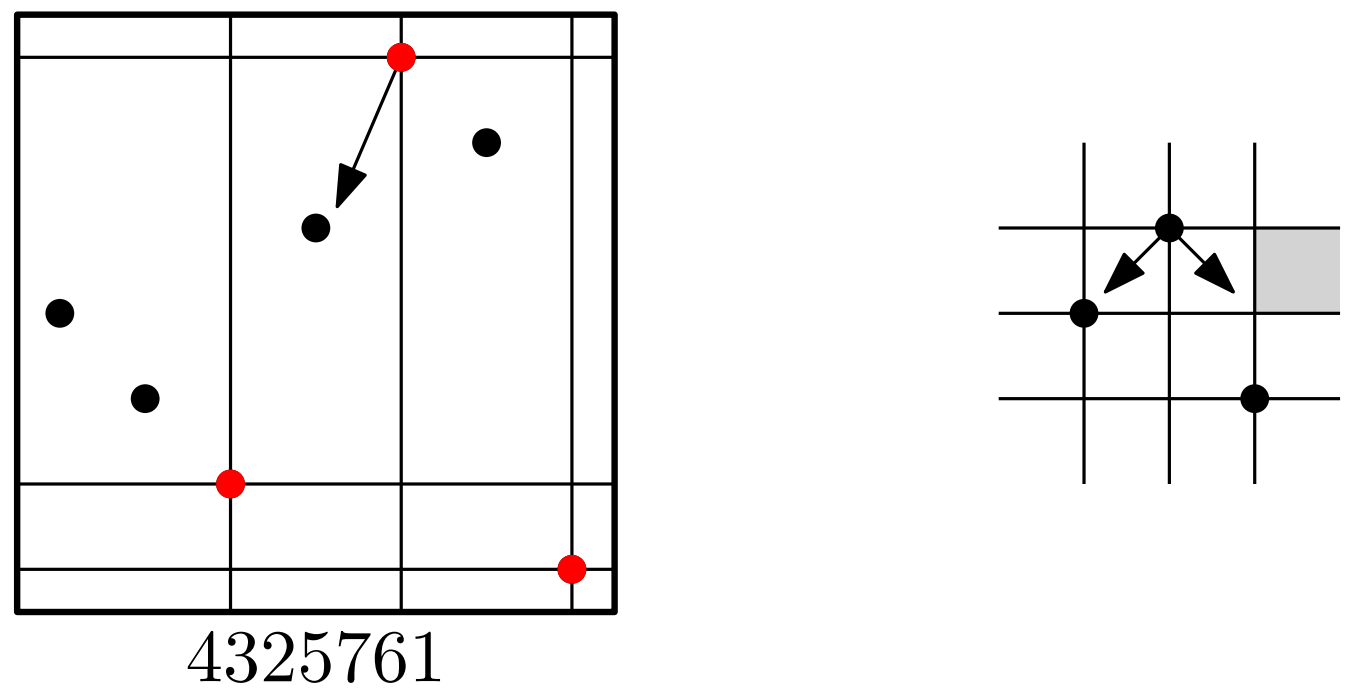
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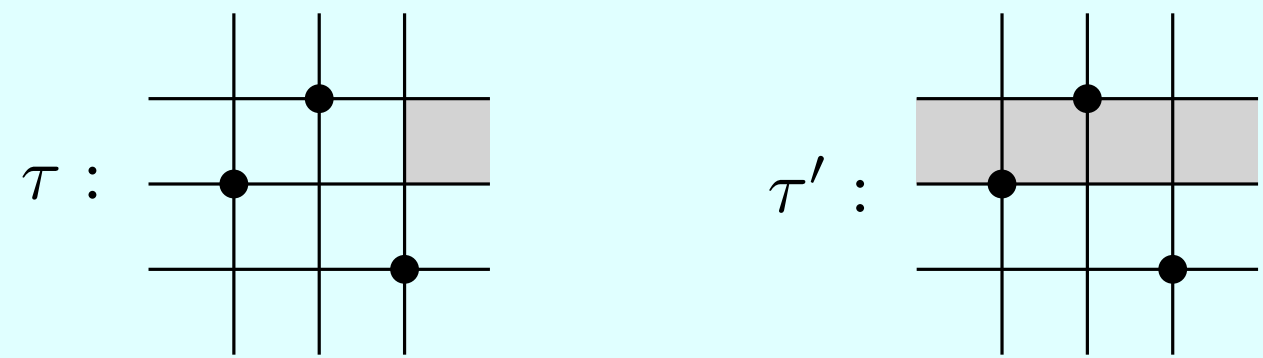
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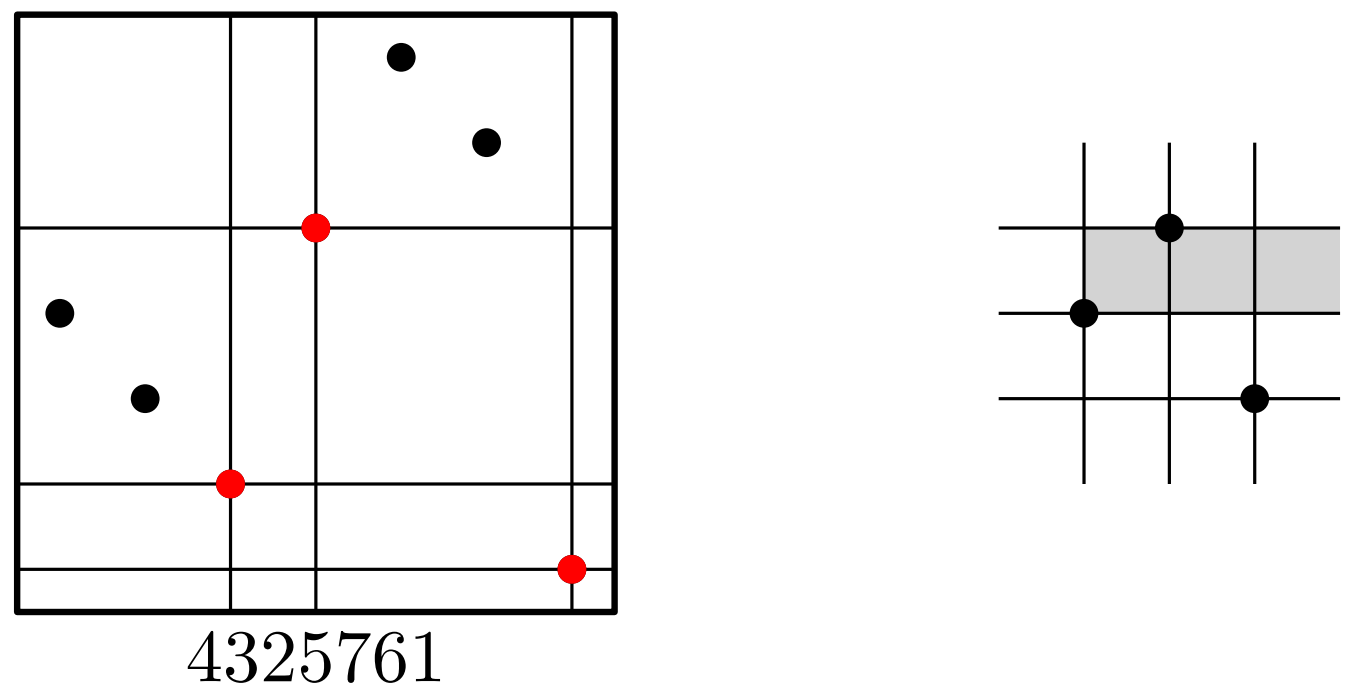
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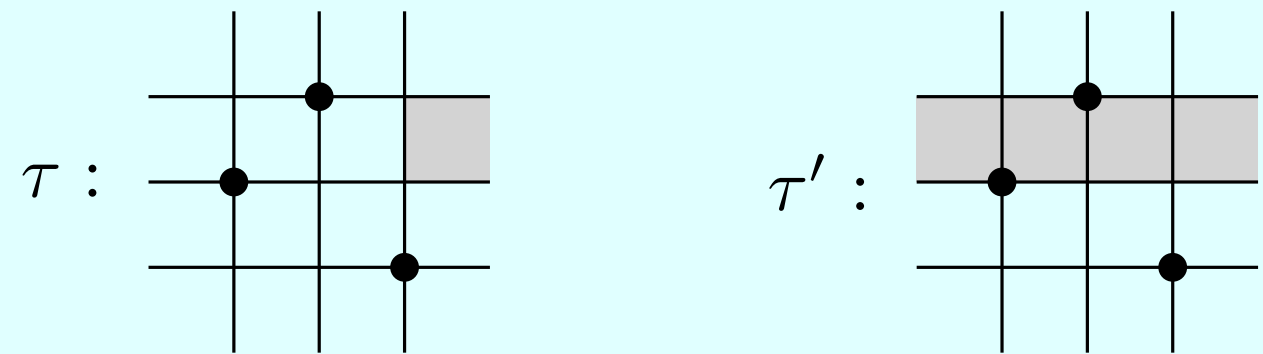
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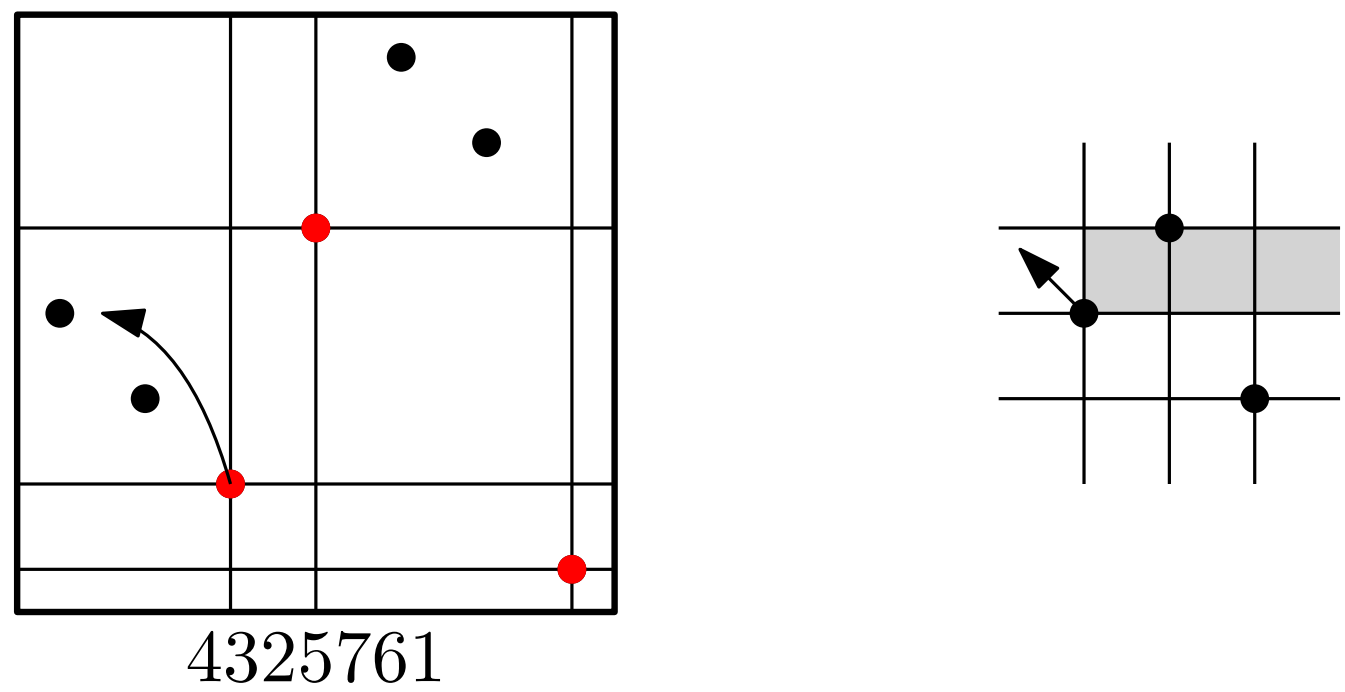
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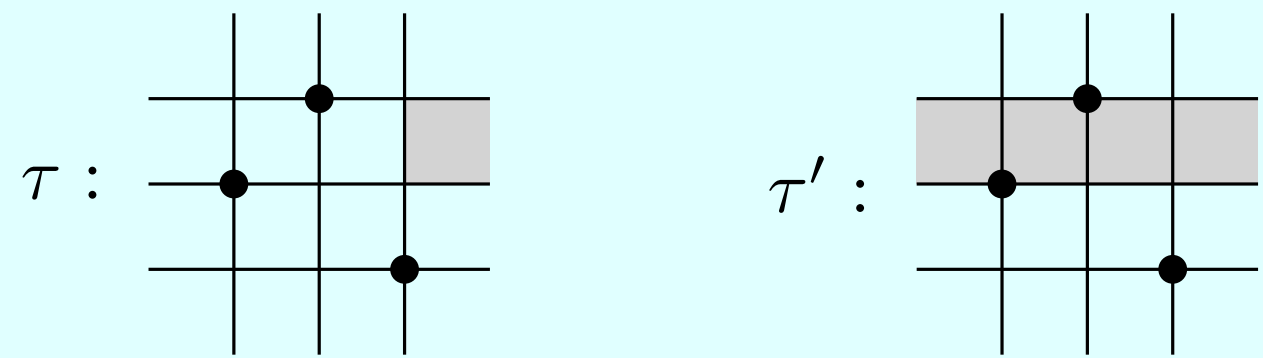
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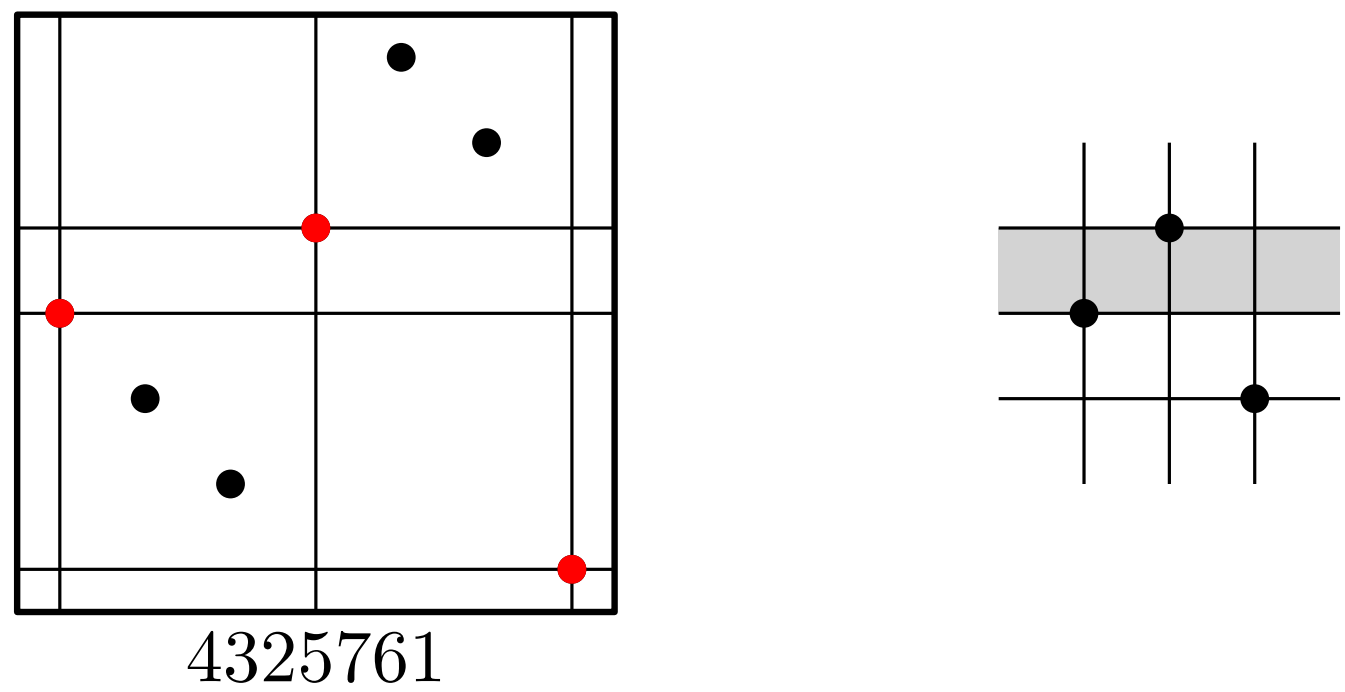
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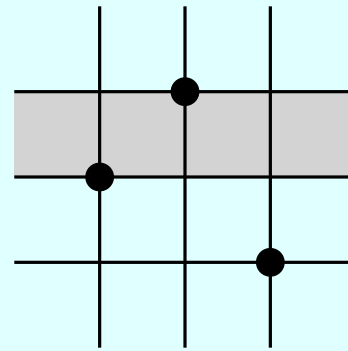
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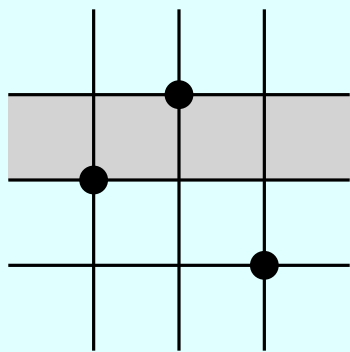
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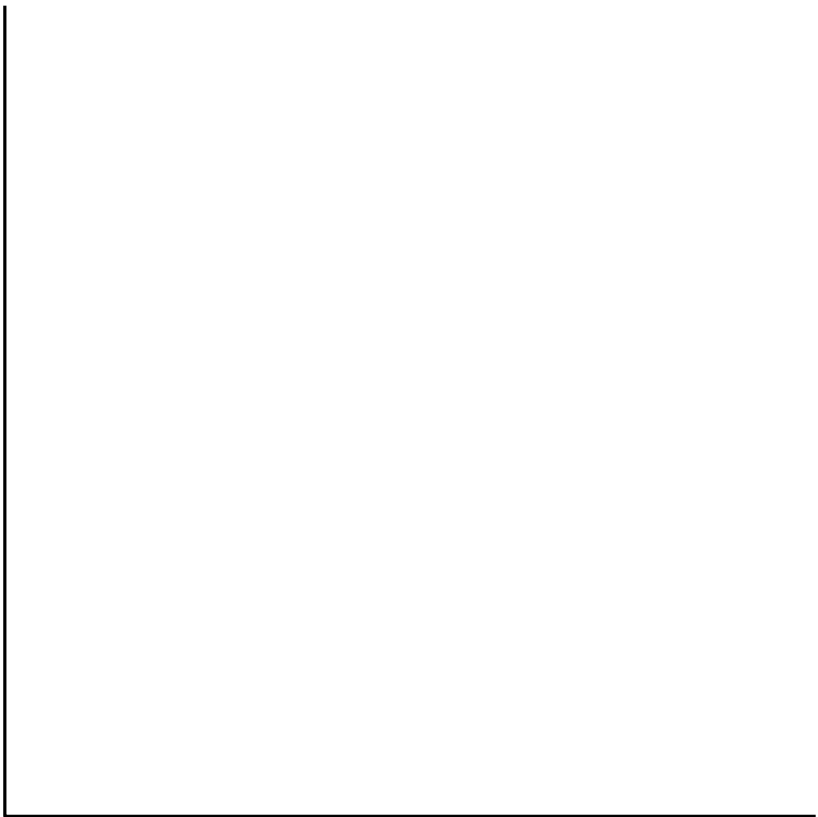
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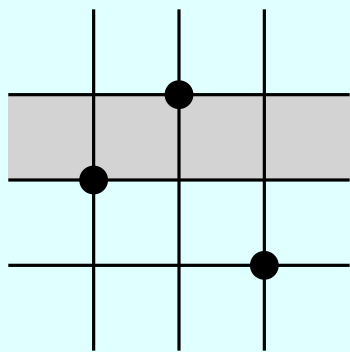


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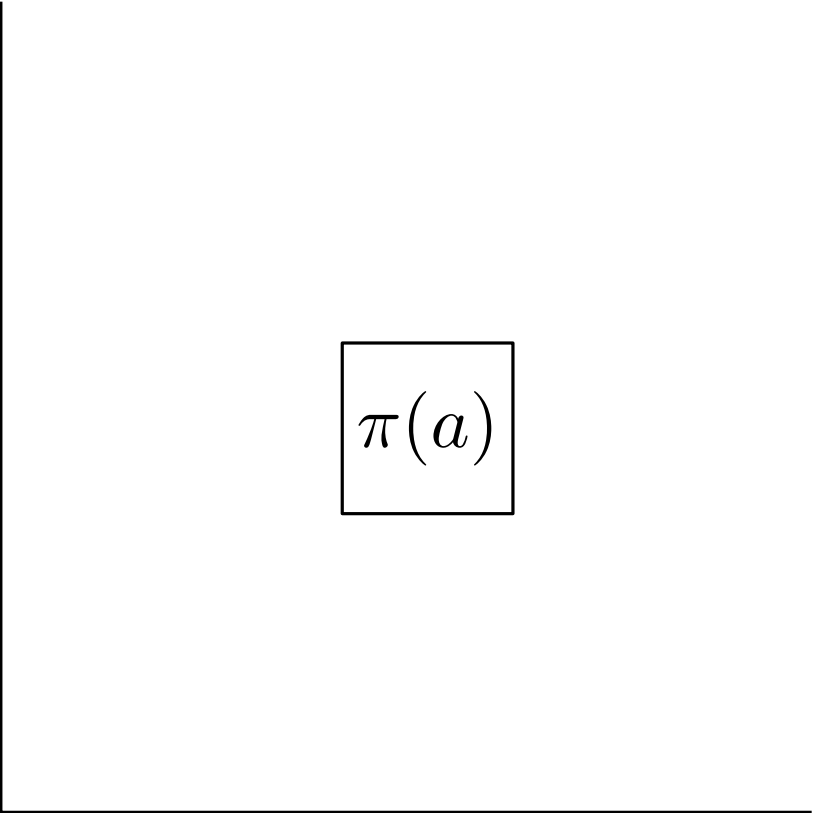
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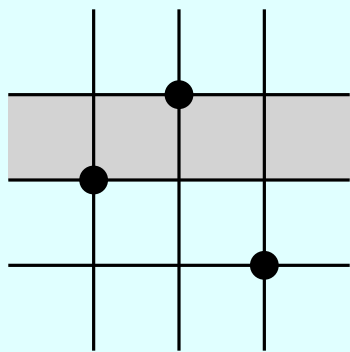


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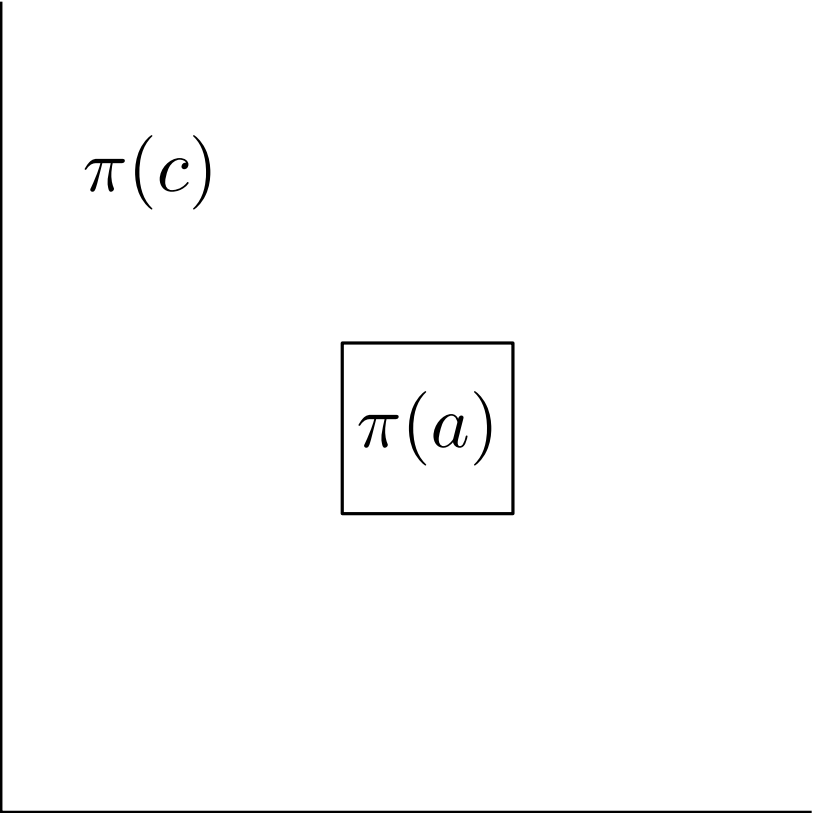
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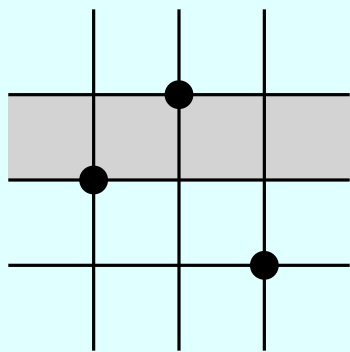


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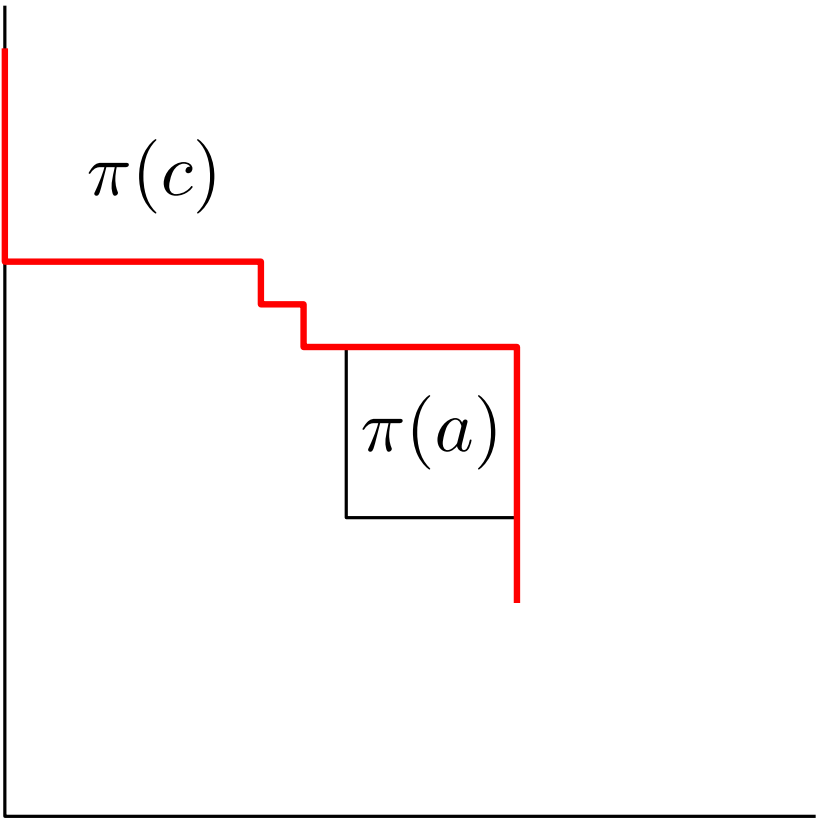
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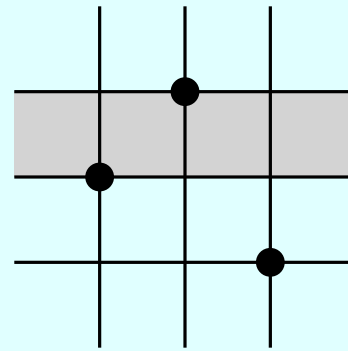


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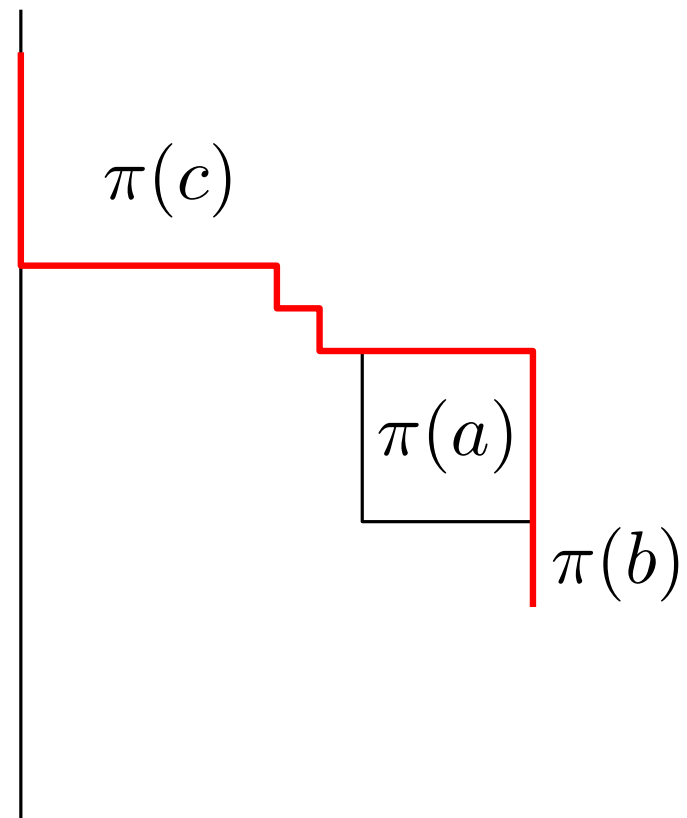
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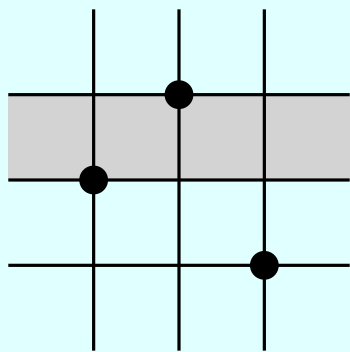


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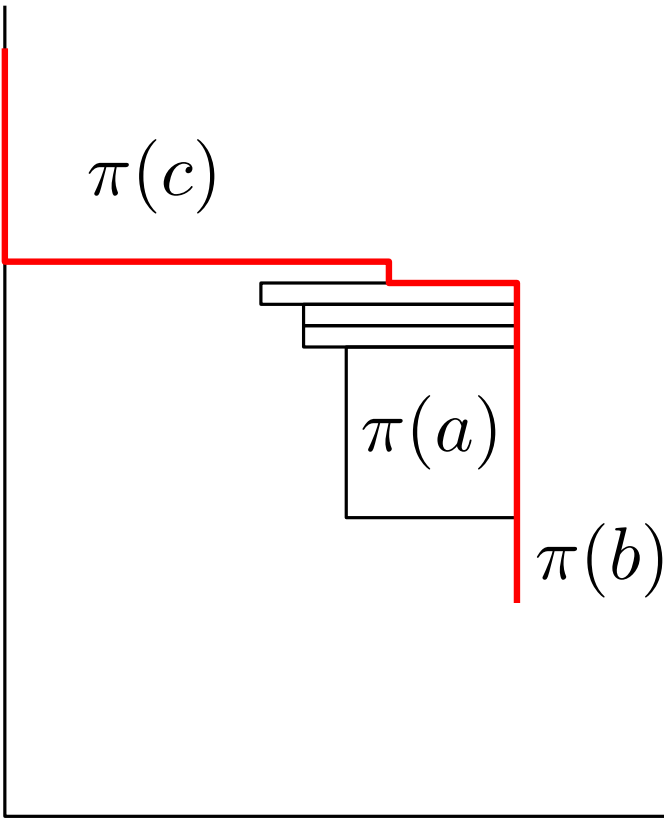
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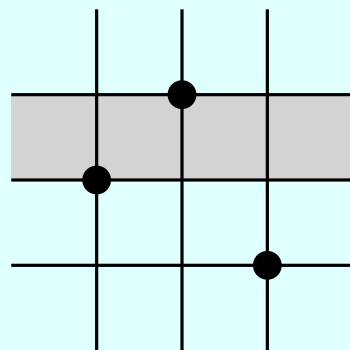


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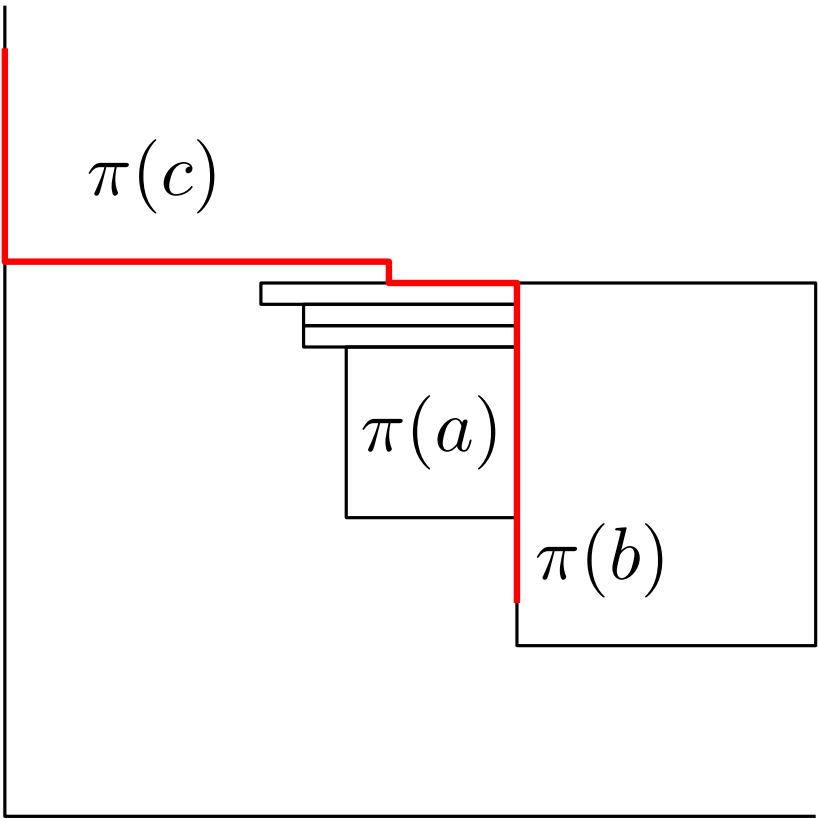
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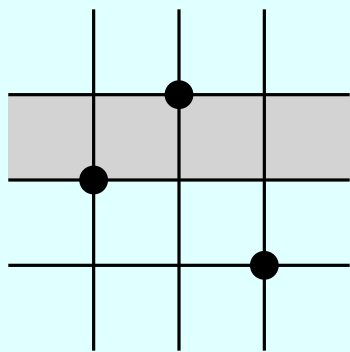


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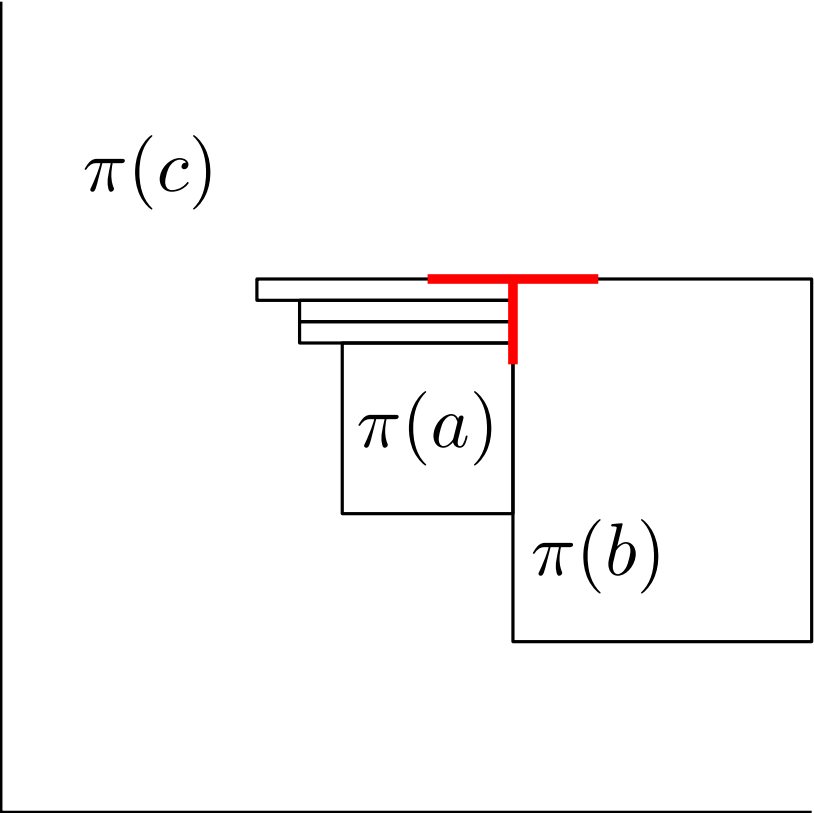
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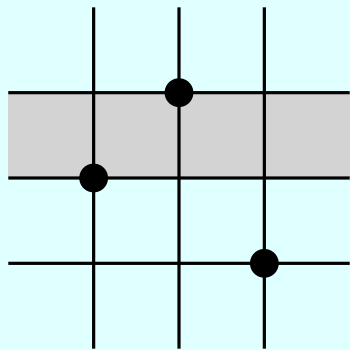


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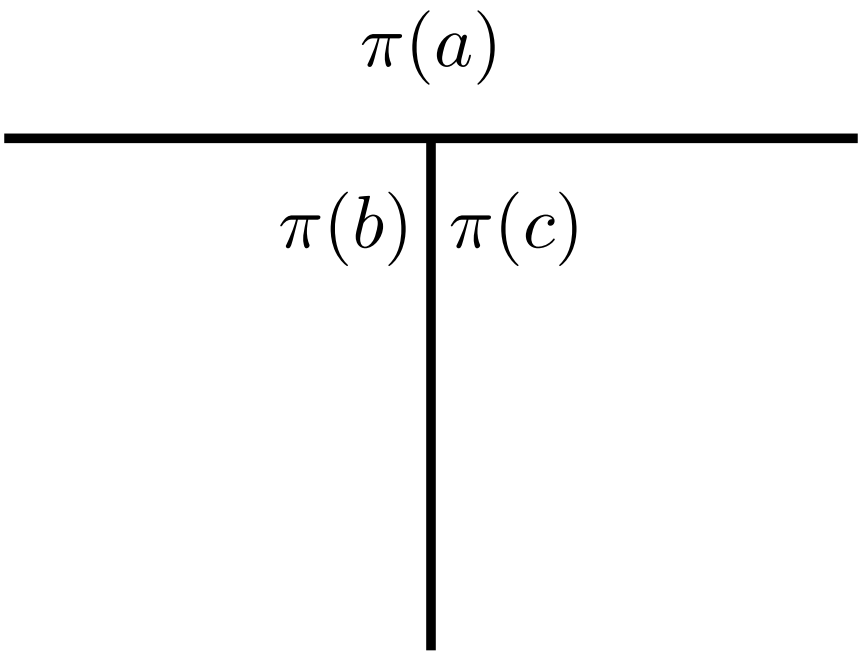
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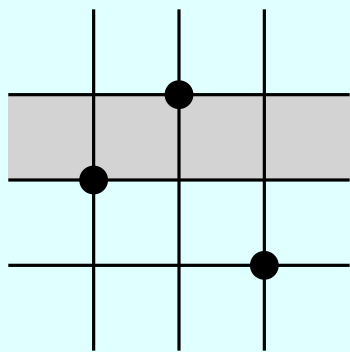
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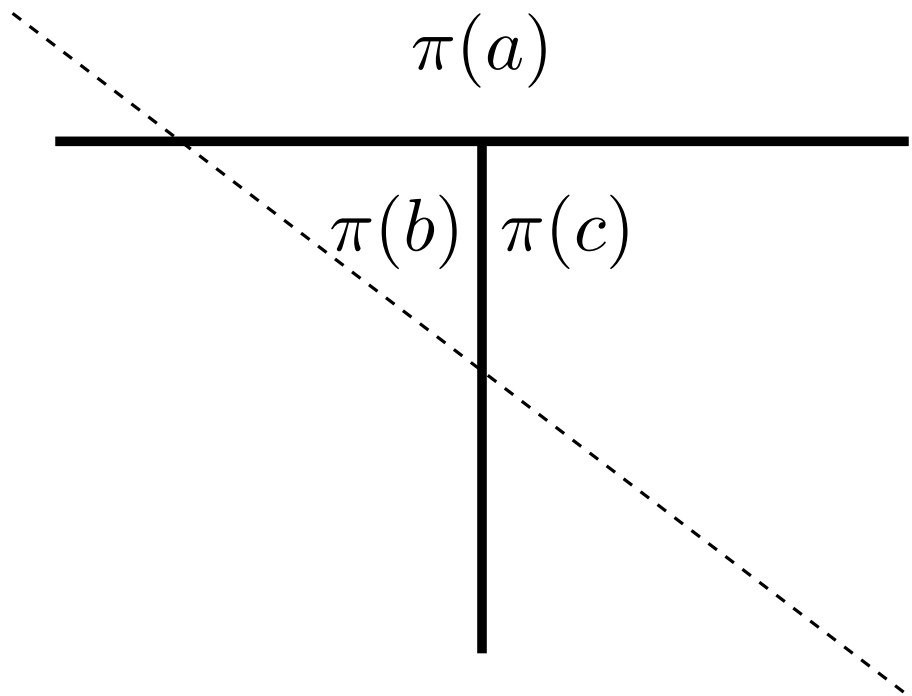
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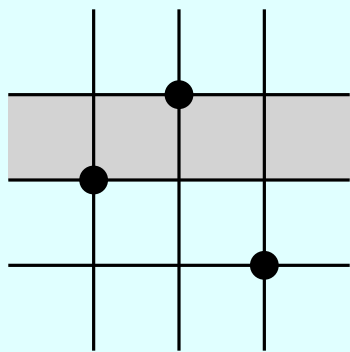
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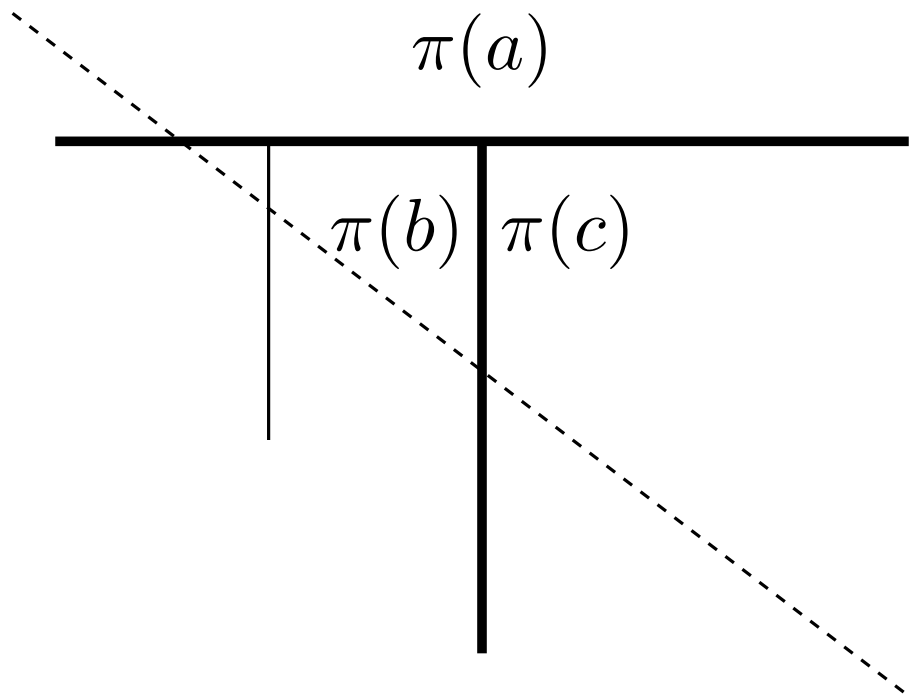
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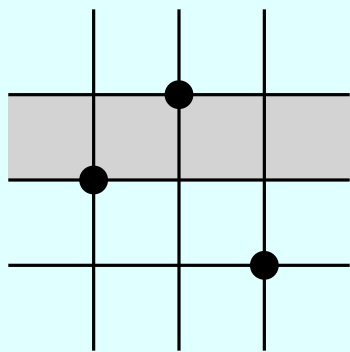
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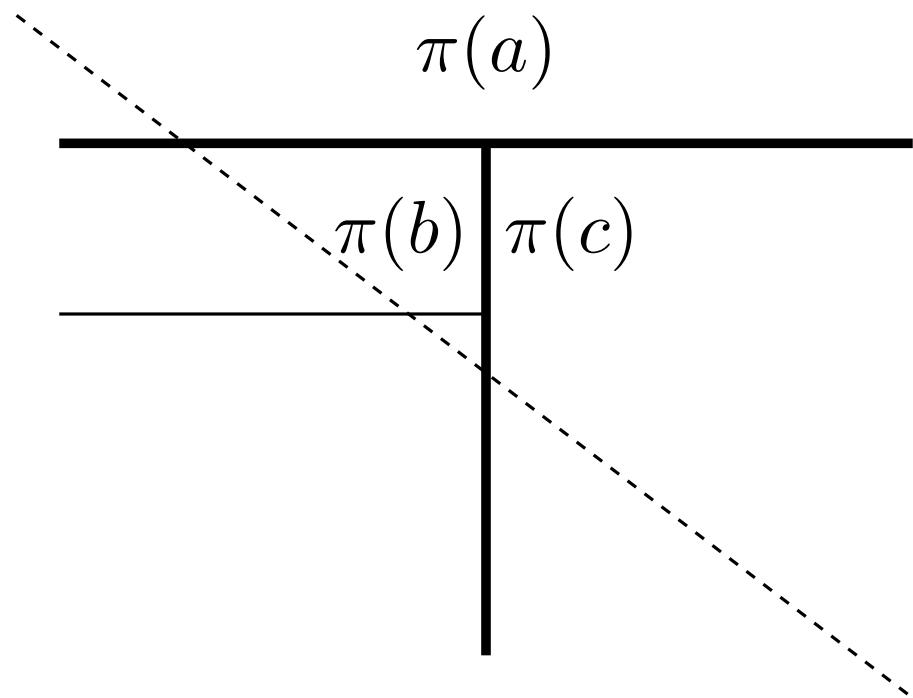
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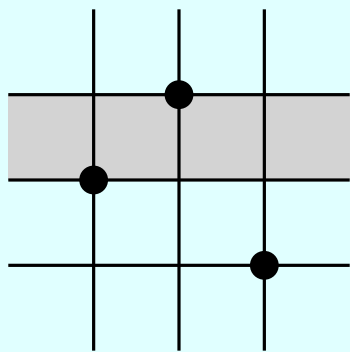
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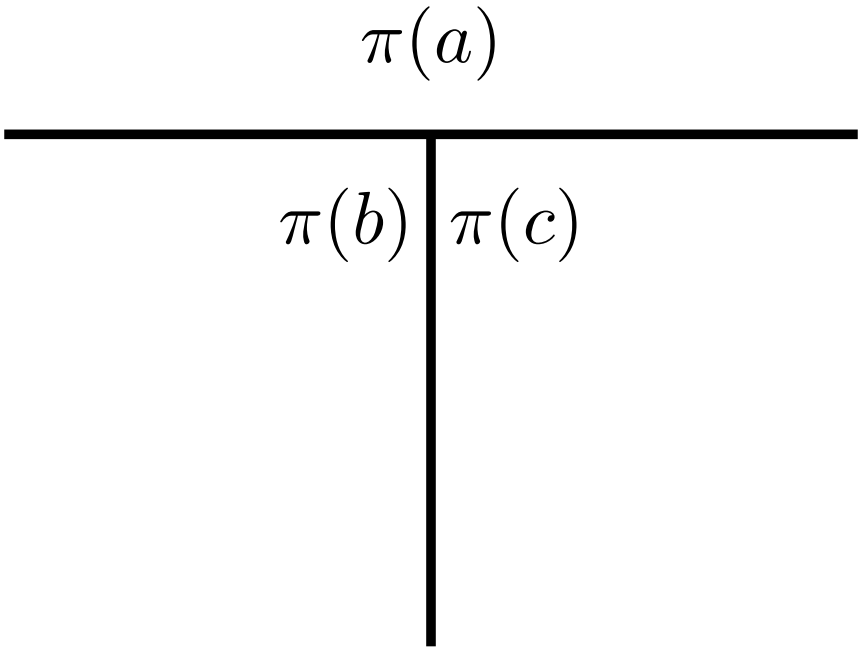


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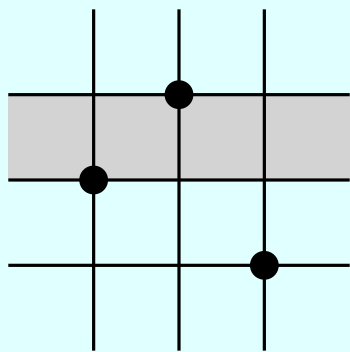
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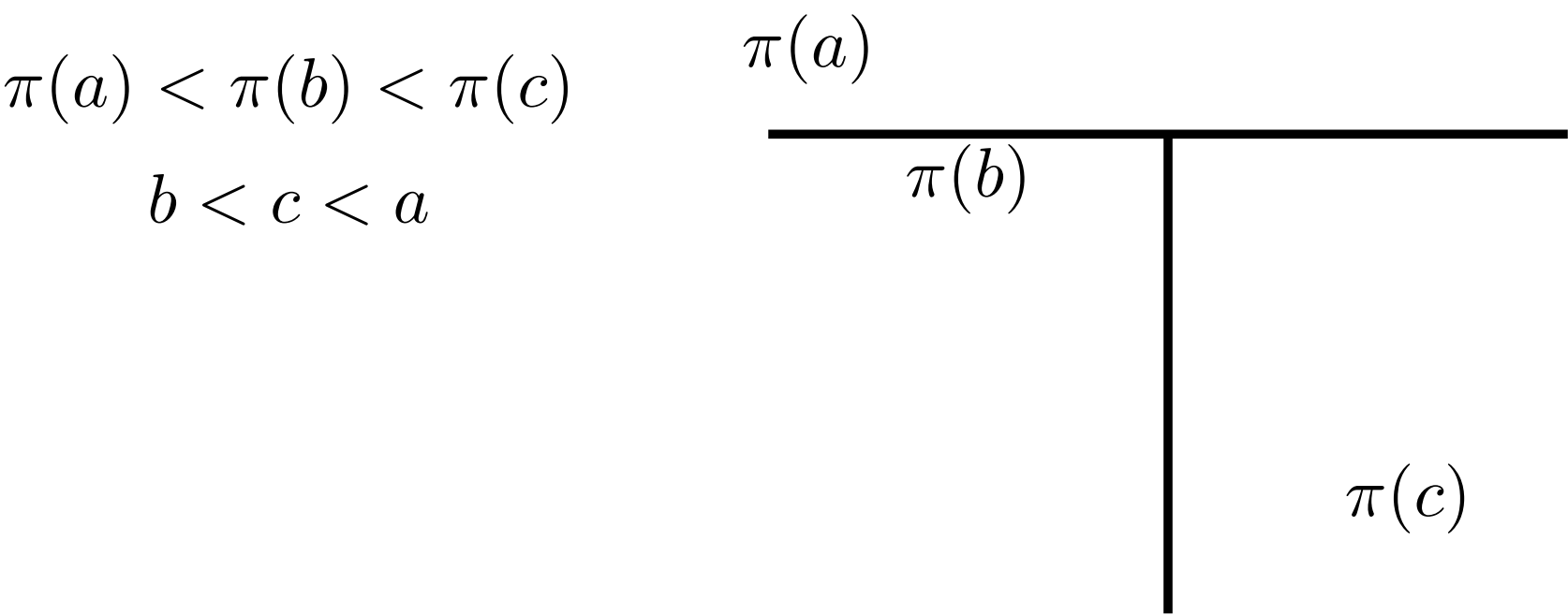
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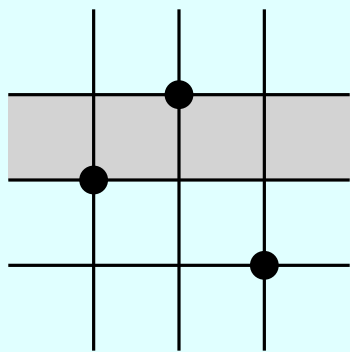
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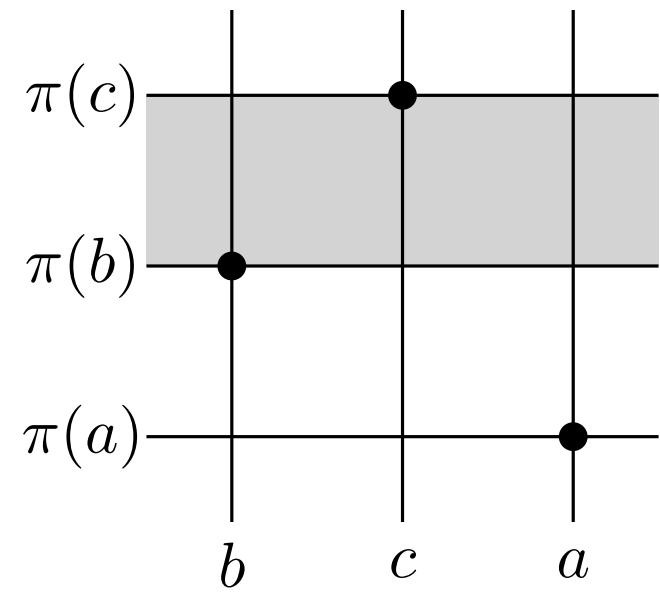
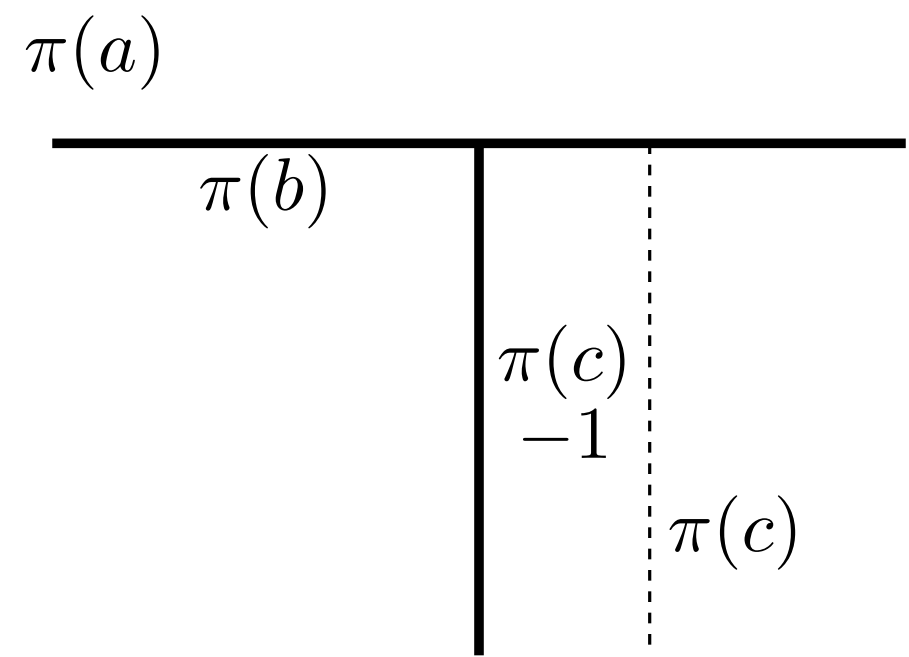
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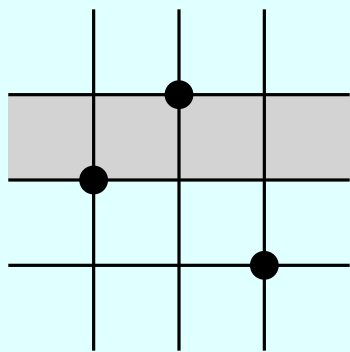
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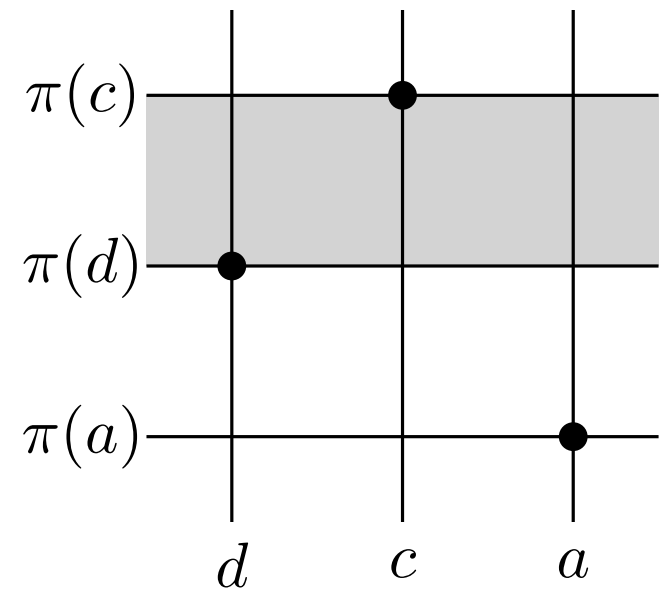
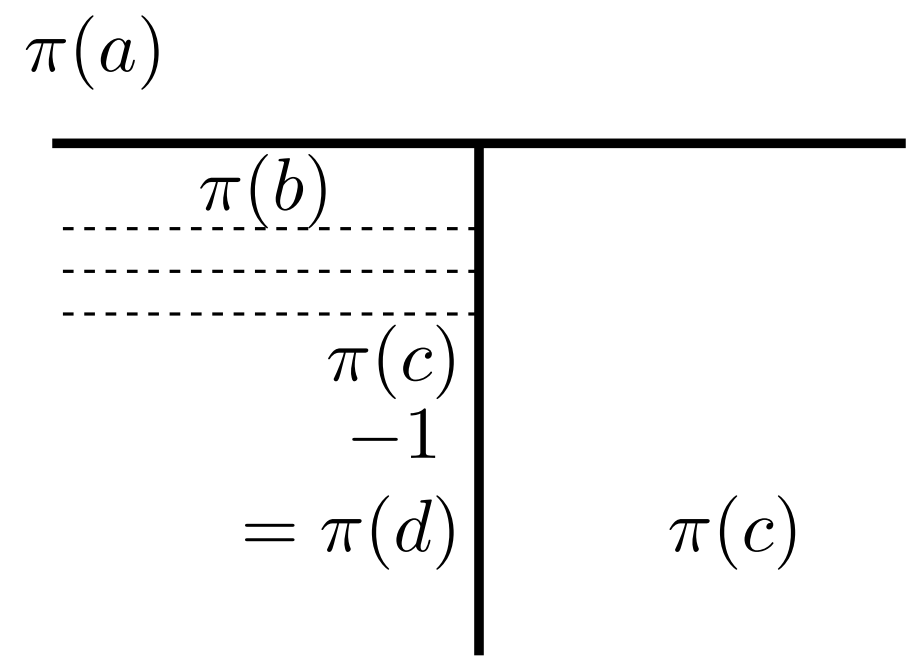
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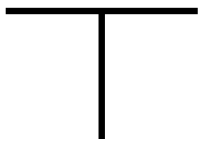
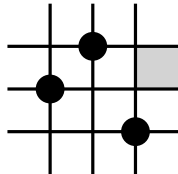
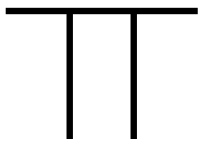
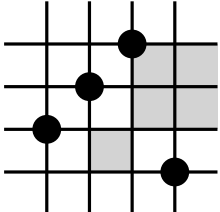
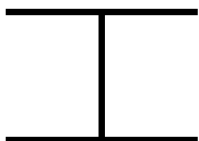
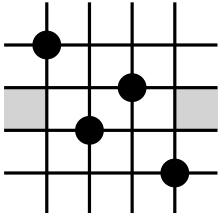
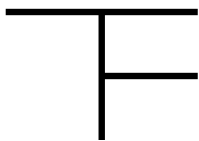
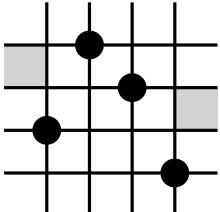
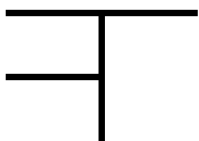
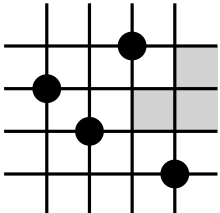
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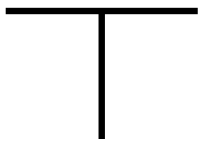
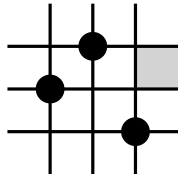
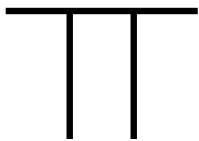
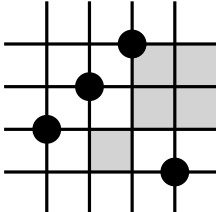
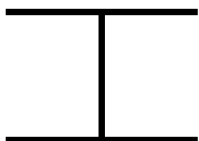
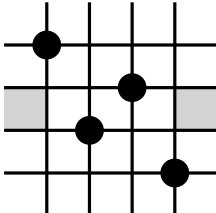
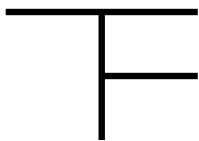
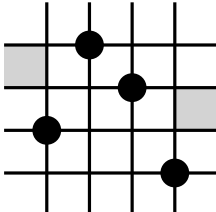
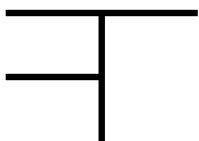
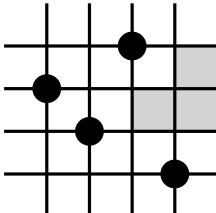


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		s	1, 2, 6, 23, 103, 514, 2785, 16097, 98030, 623323	
		w	1, 2, 6, 21, 79, 309, 1237, 5026, 20626, 85242	A026737 & A111279*
		s	1, 2, 6, 23, 101, 482, 2433, 12787, 69270, 384134	
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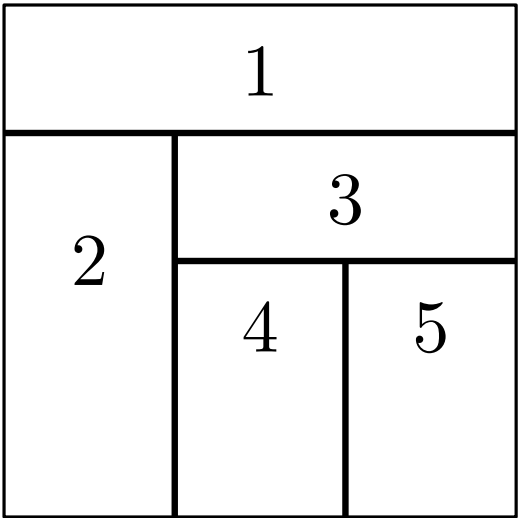
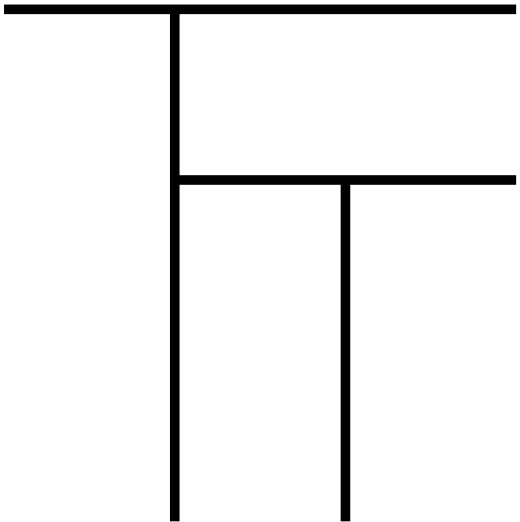
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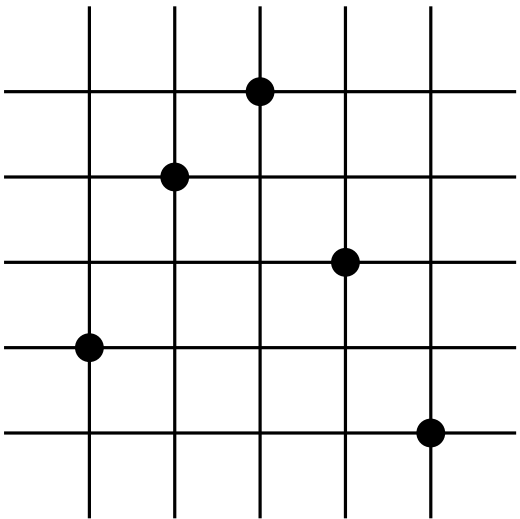
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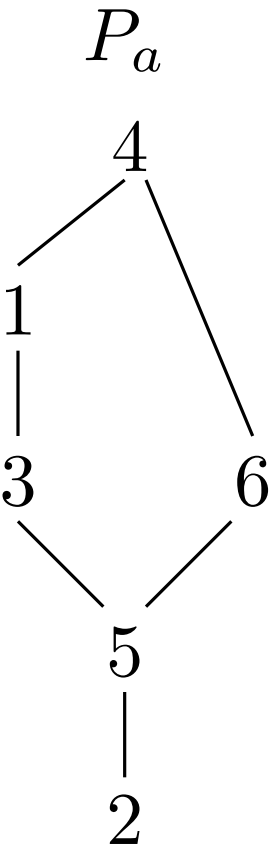
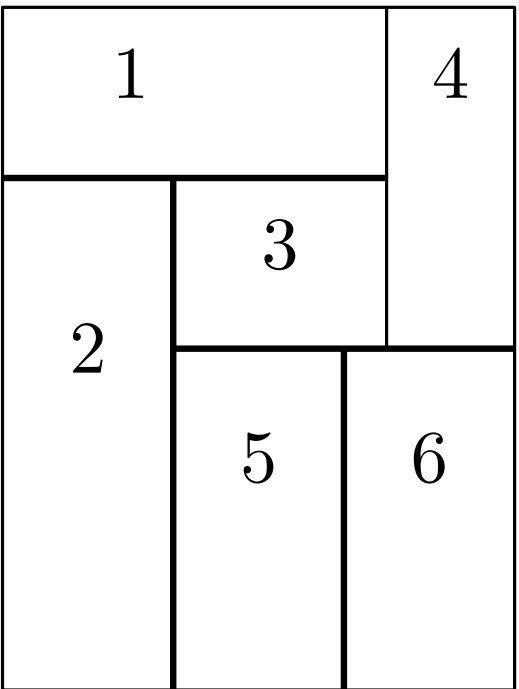
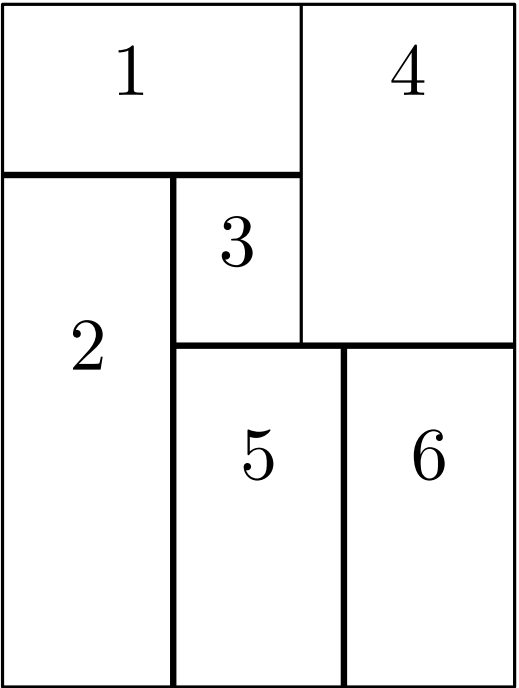
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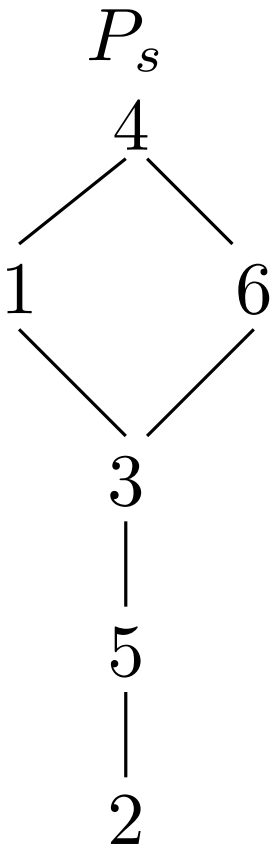
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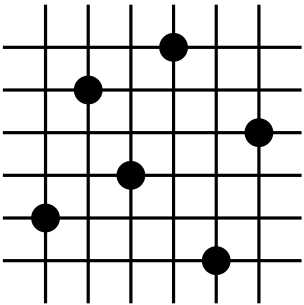


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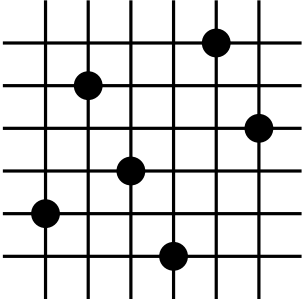


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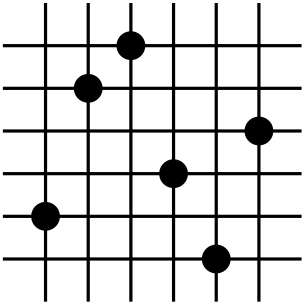
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