

# De la diagonale du permutoèdre aux arbres k-colorés : une histoire de partitions et d'arbres

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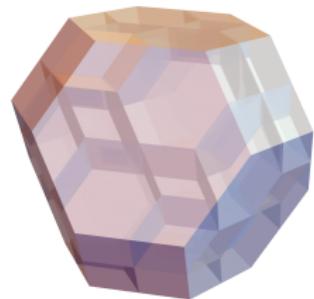
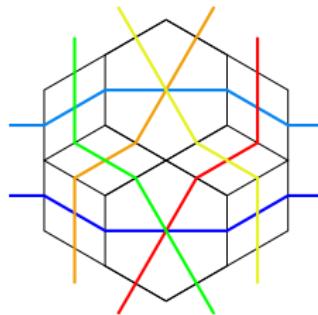
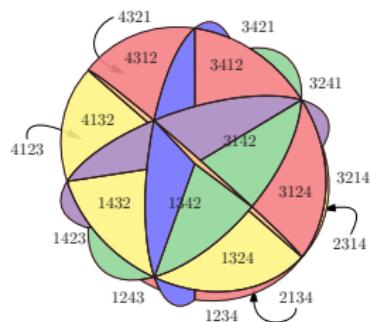
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(Yes, combinatorics is mainly counting)

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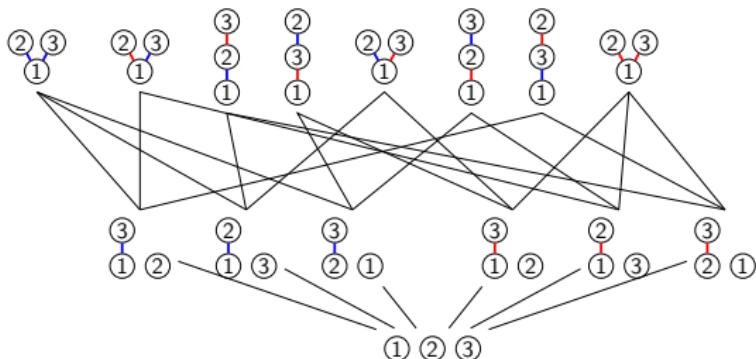
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The weak order and the permutohedron

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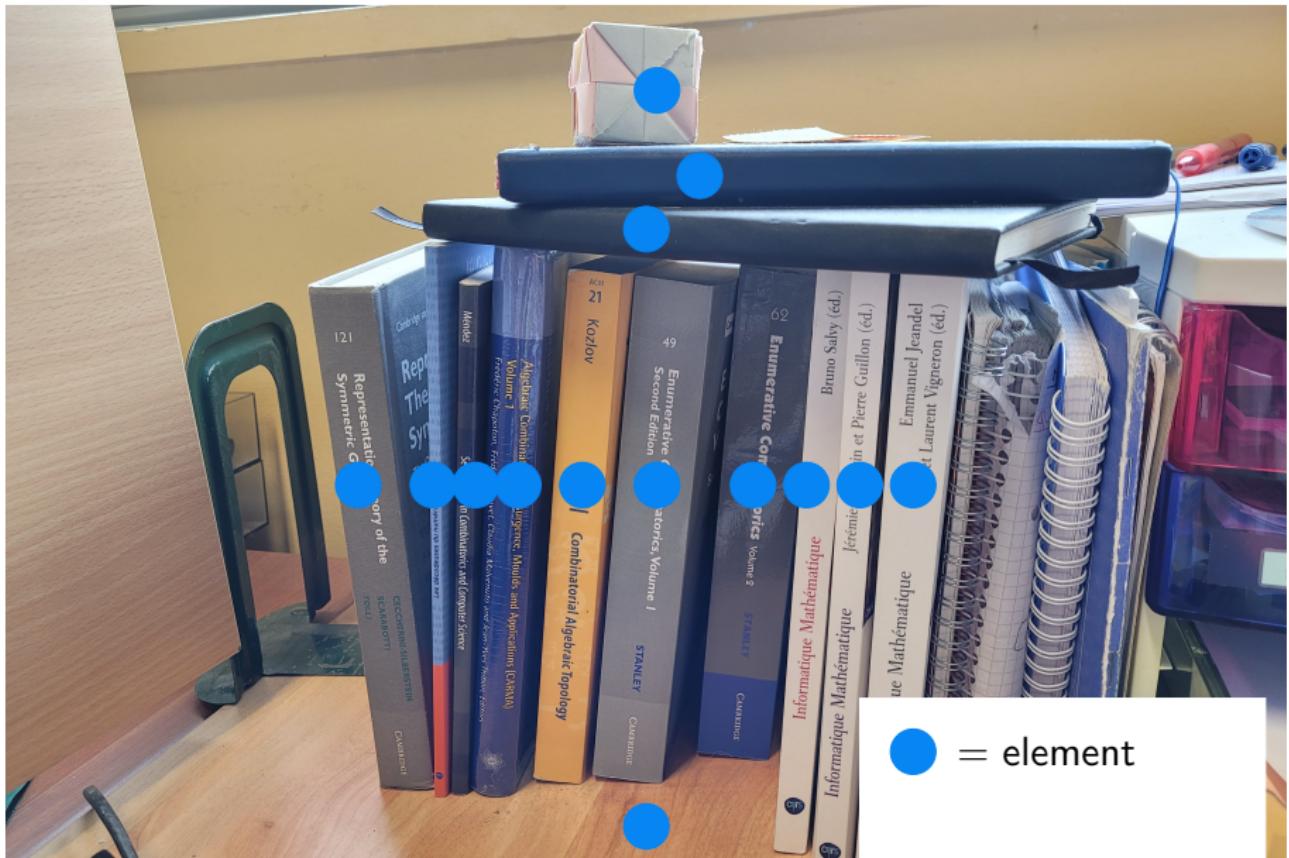
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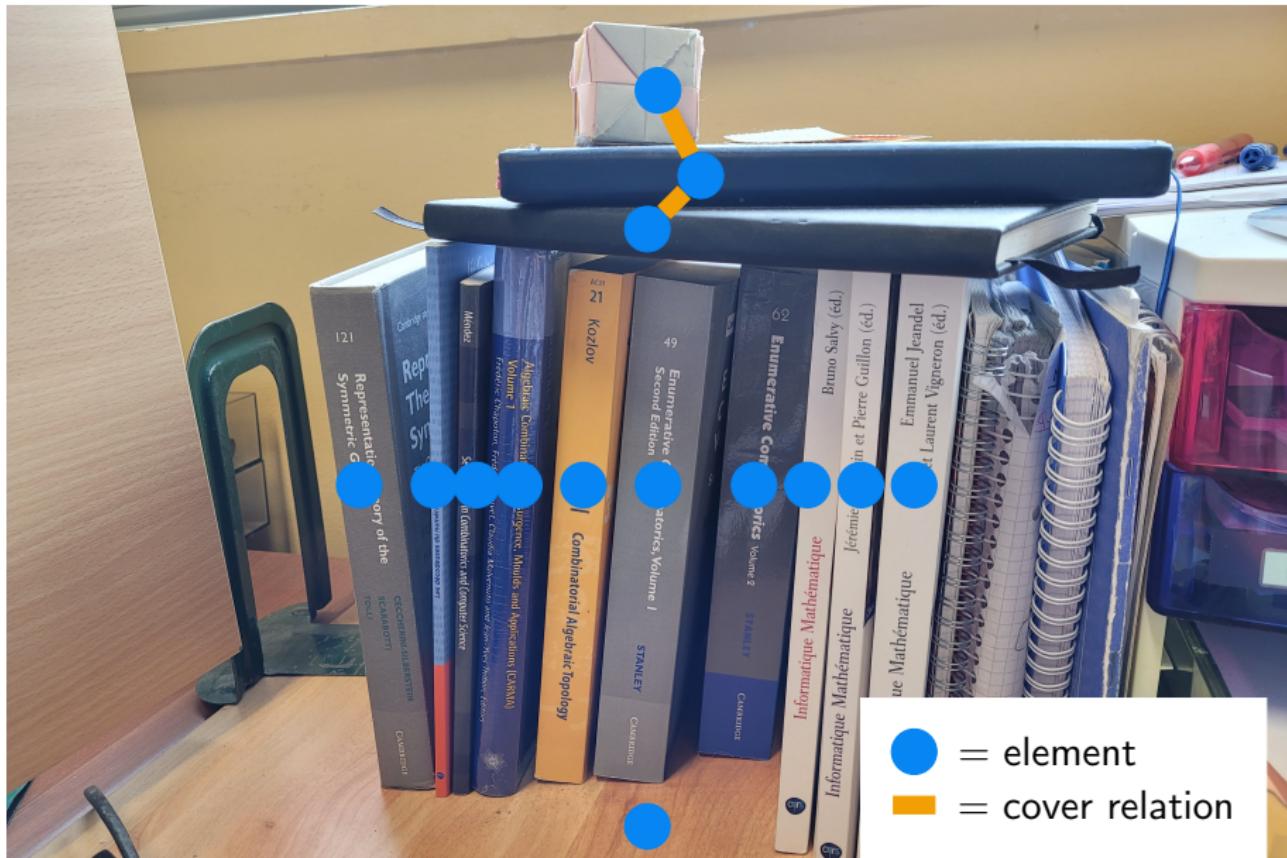


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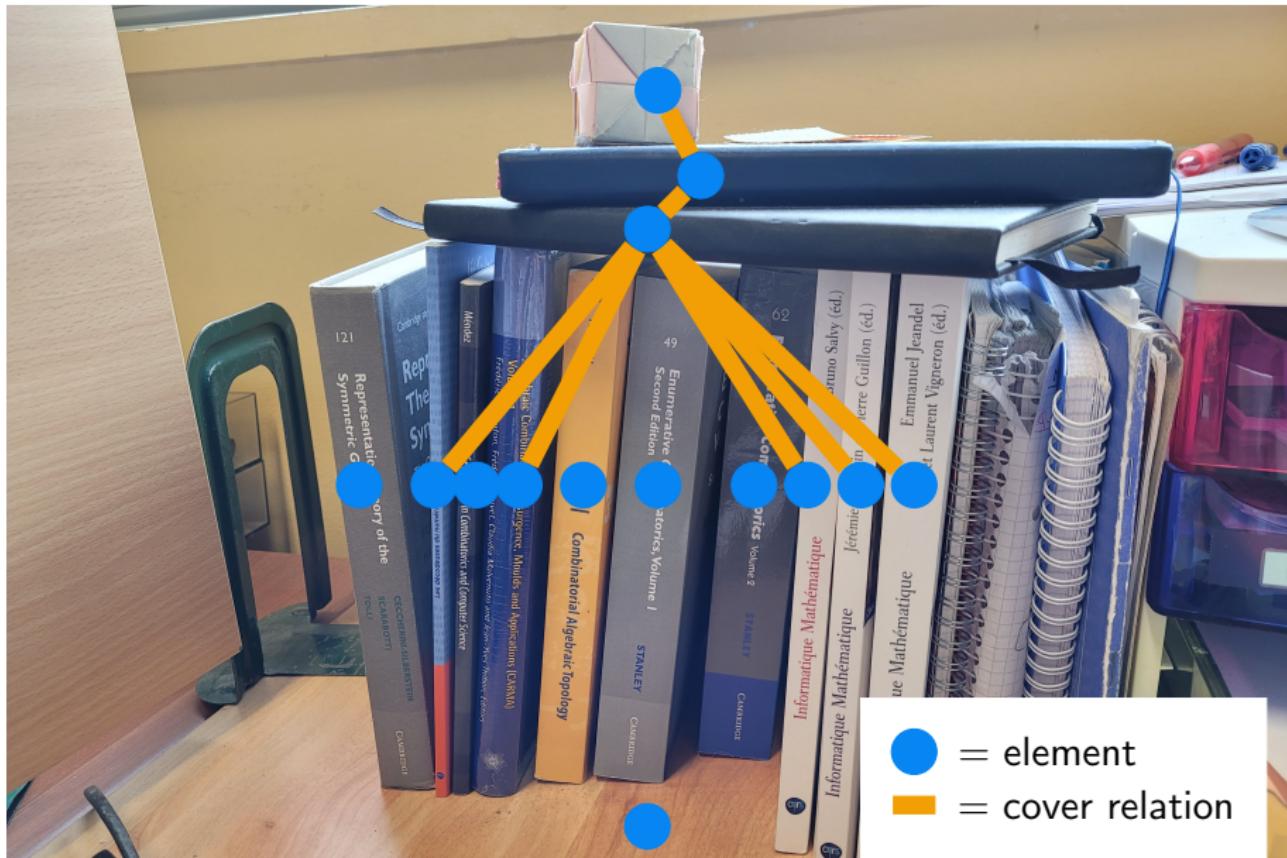


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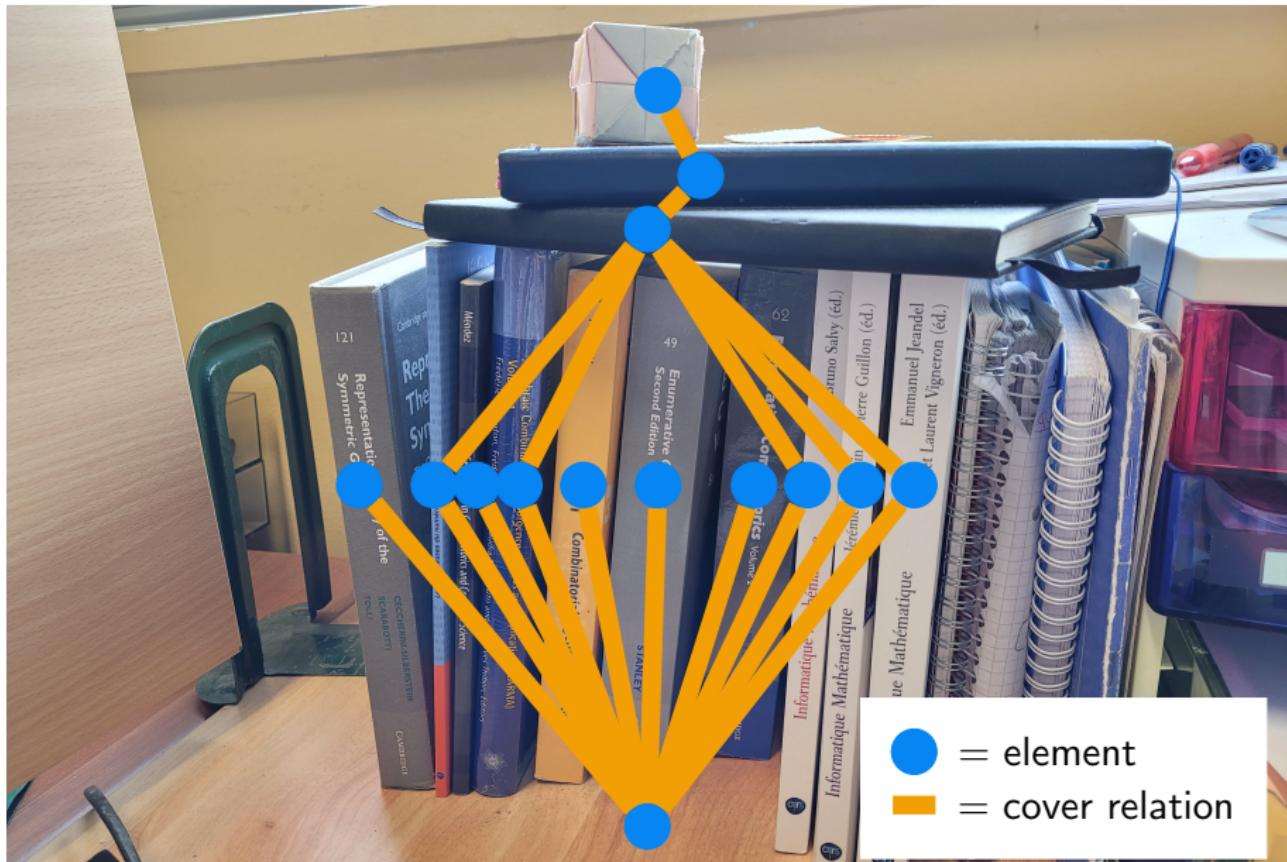
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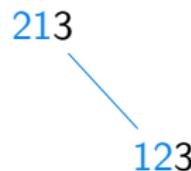
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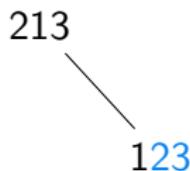
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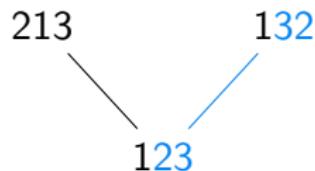
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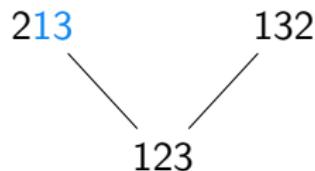
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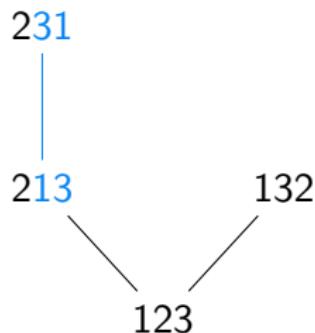
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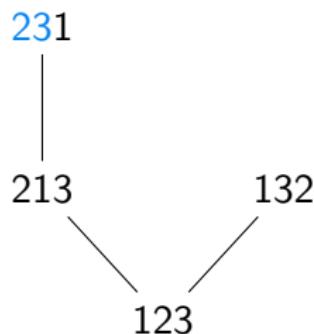
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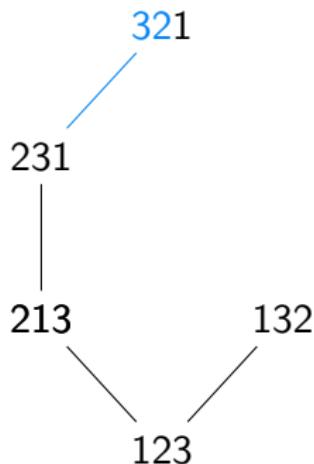
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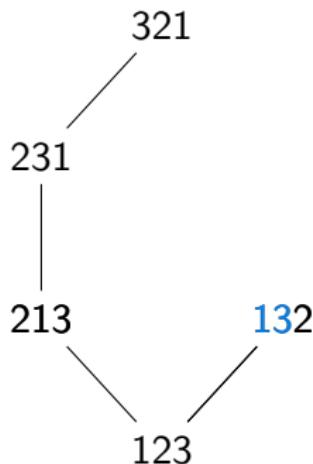
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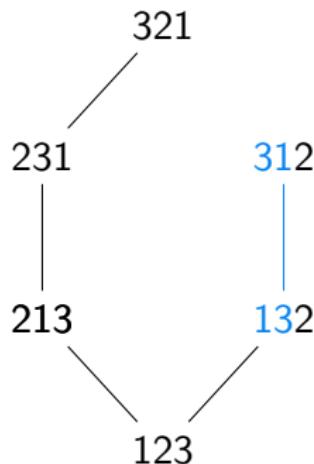
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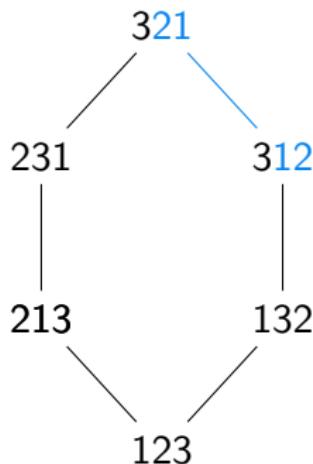
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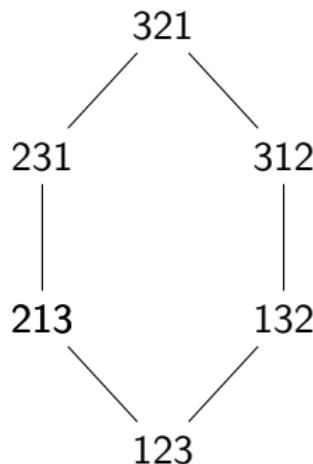
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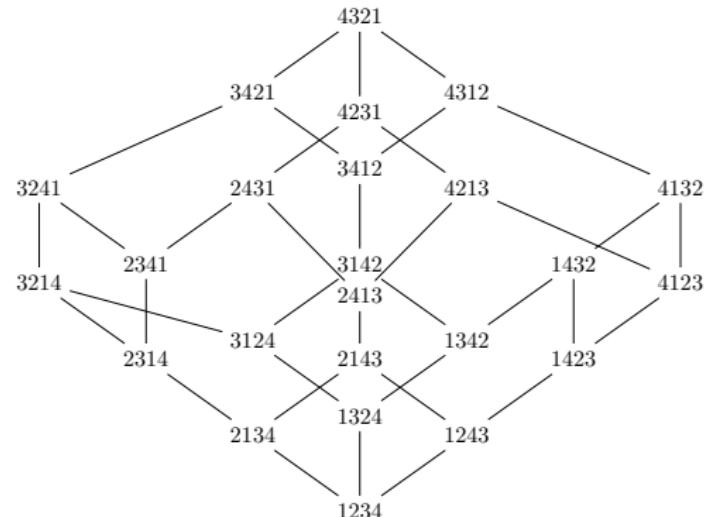
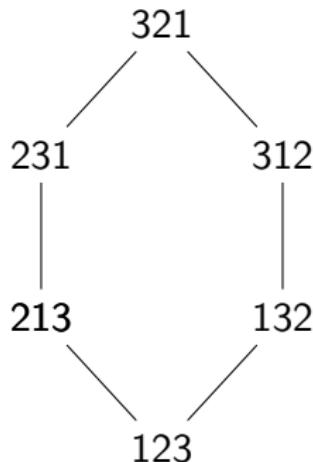
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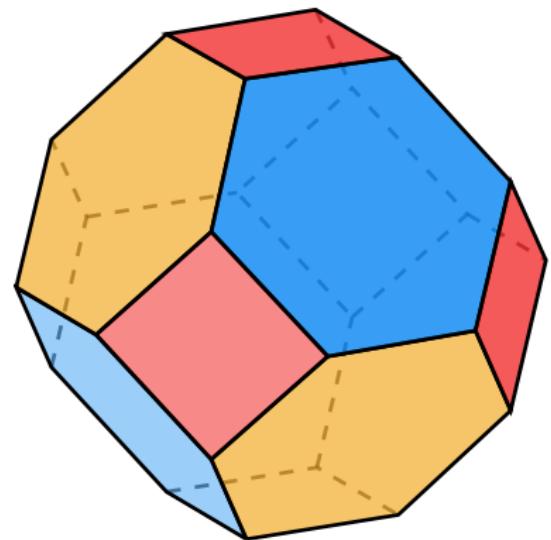
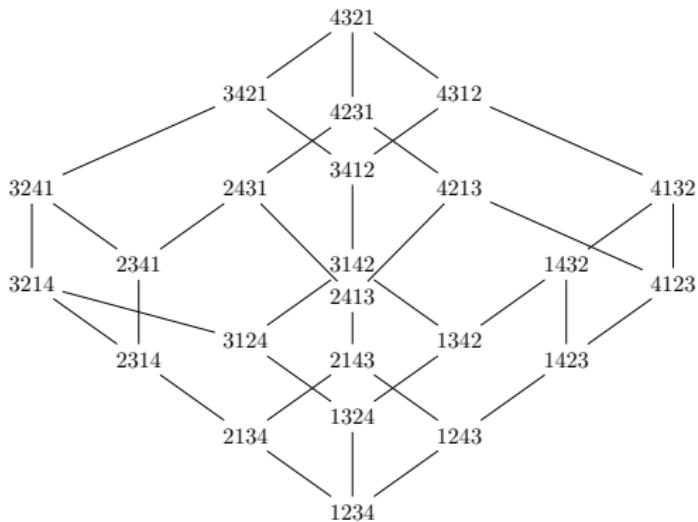


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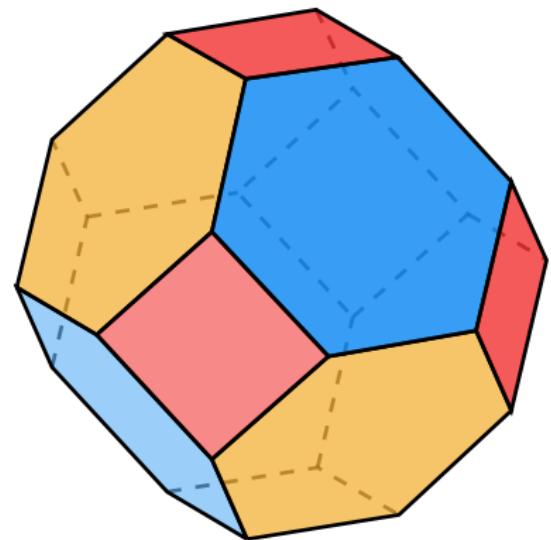
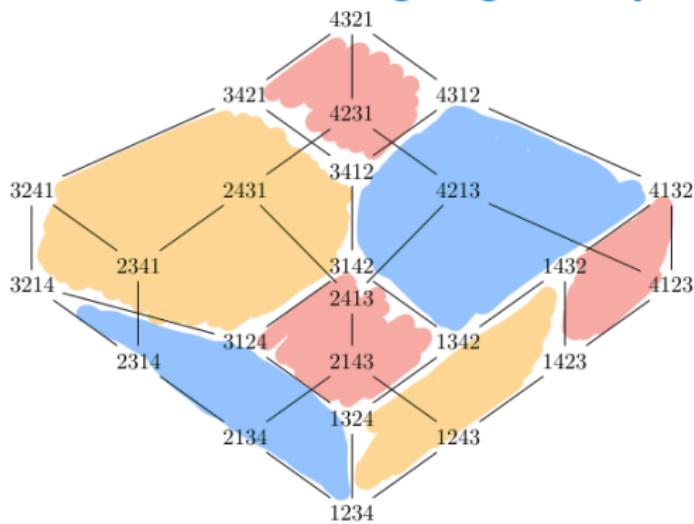
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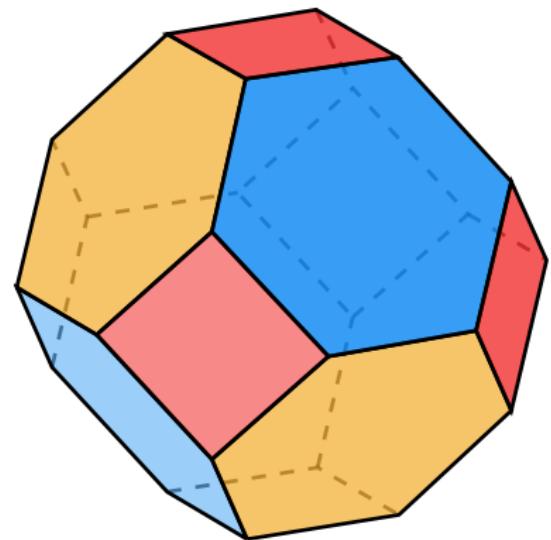
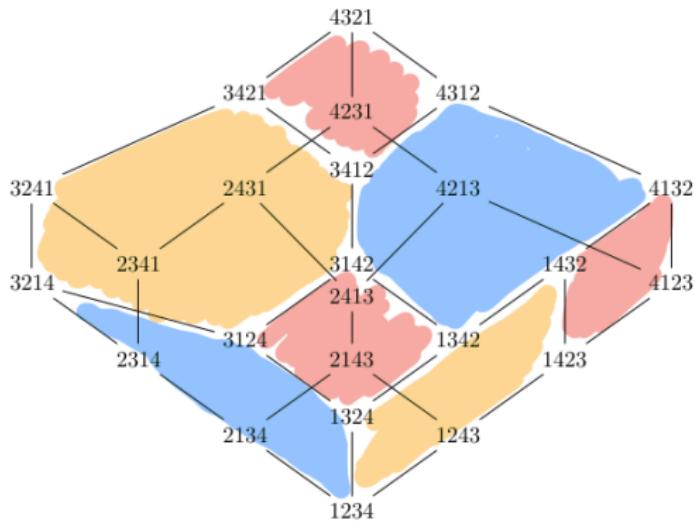
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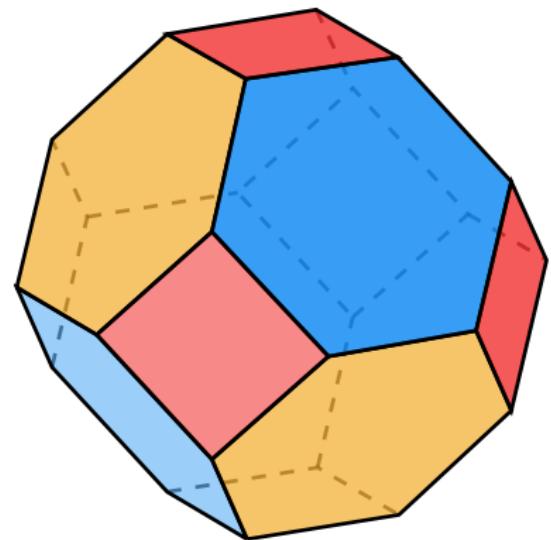
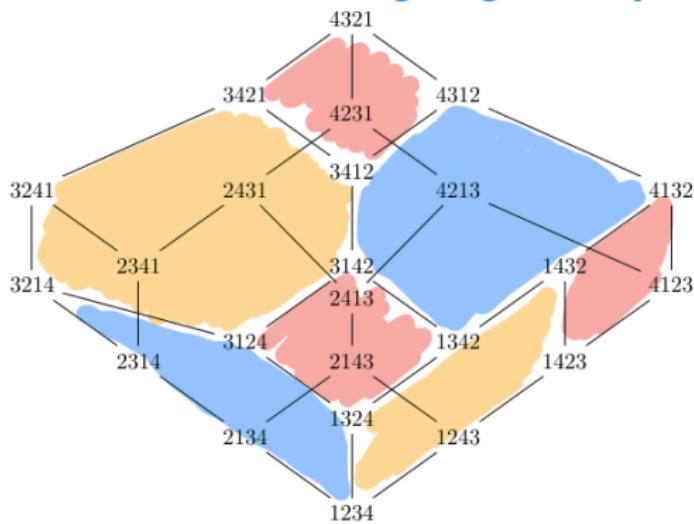
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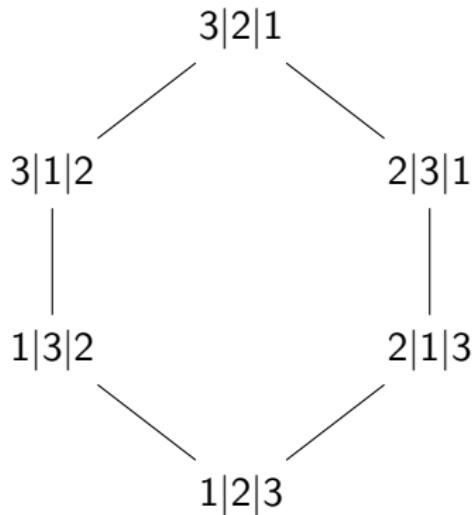
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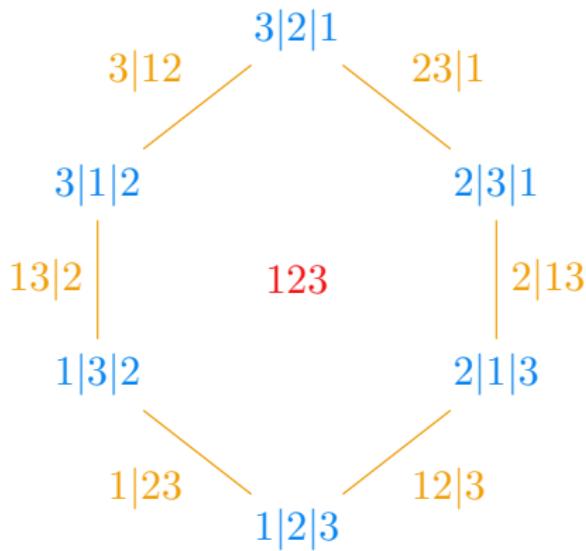
How many faces of dimension  $n - k$  does the permutohedron have ?

$k!S_2(n, k) = \text{nb of ordered partitions in } k \text{ parts of } \{1, \dots, n\}$

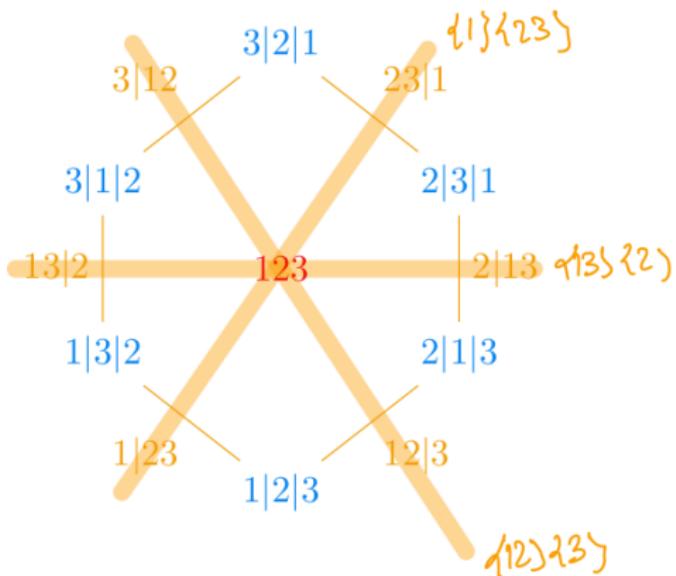
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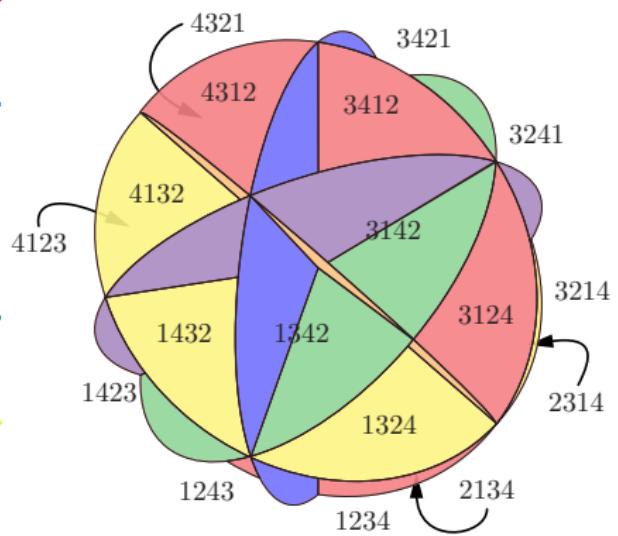
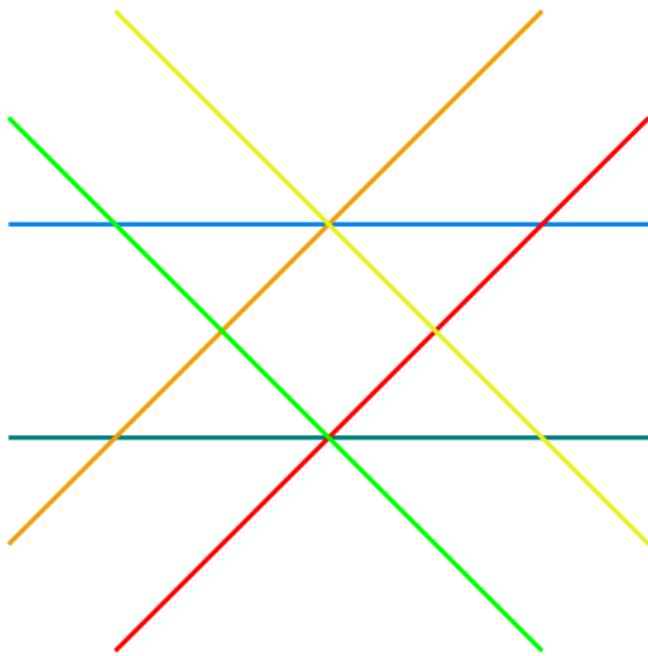


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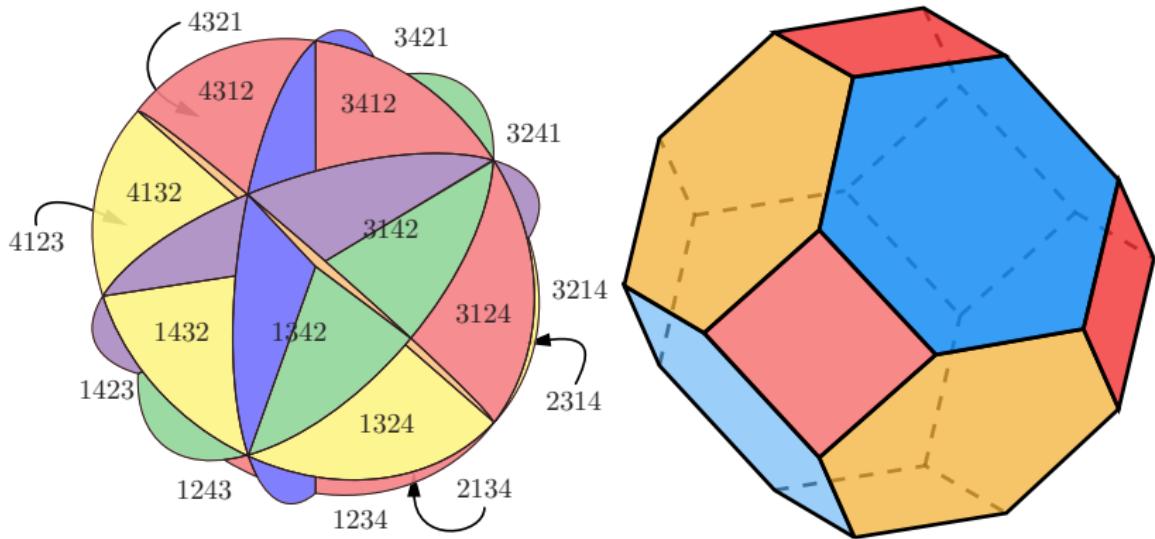


# Hyperplane arrangement (Thank you Sylvie!)

Hyperplane arrangement = set of intersecting affine subspaces of codimension 1



# Polytope and hyperplane arrangement



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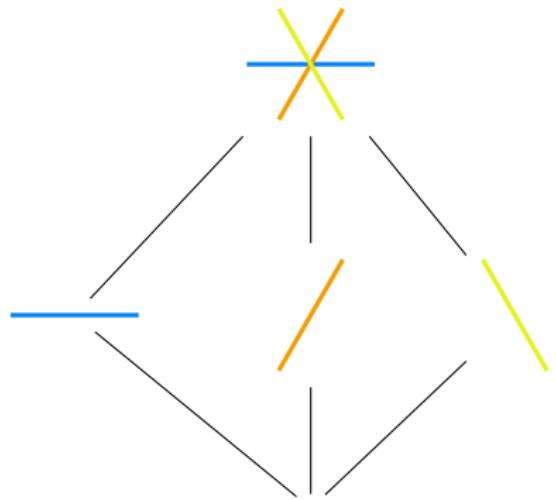
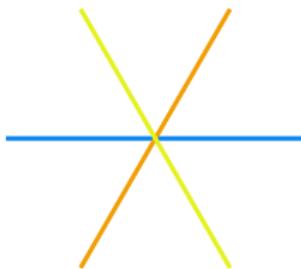
Number of faces of dimension  $k$  = number of regions of dimension  $n - k$   
 (linked with Möbius numbers of the intersection poset)

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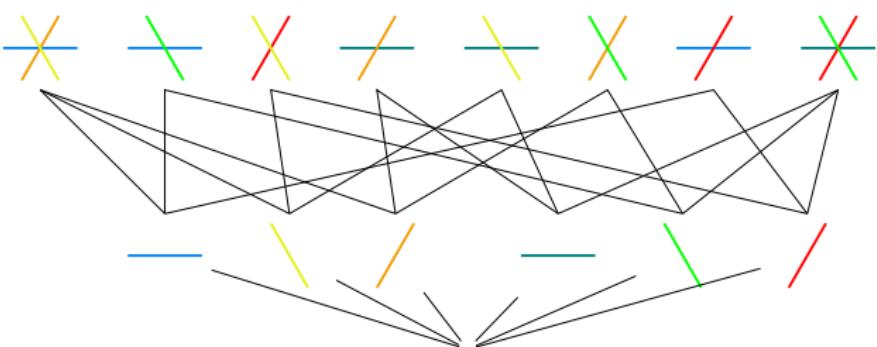
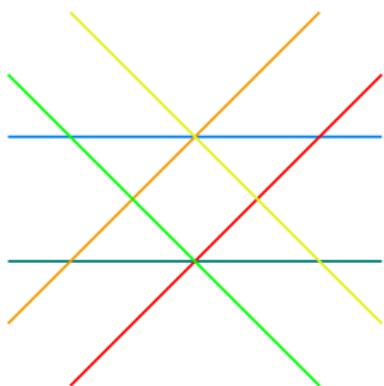
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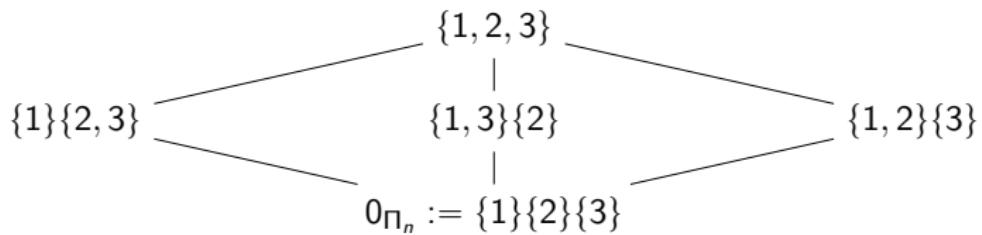
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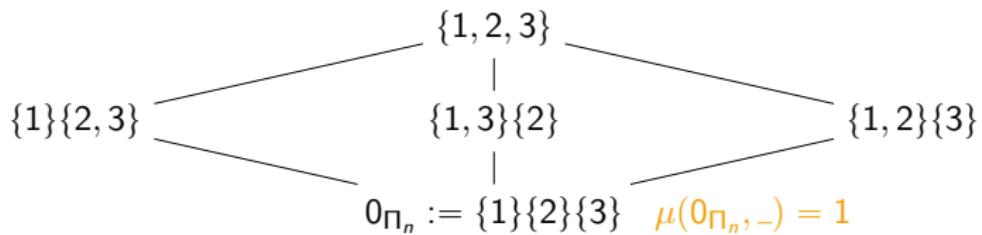
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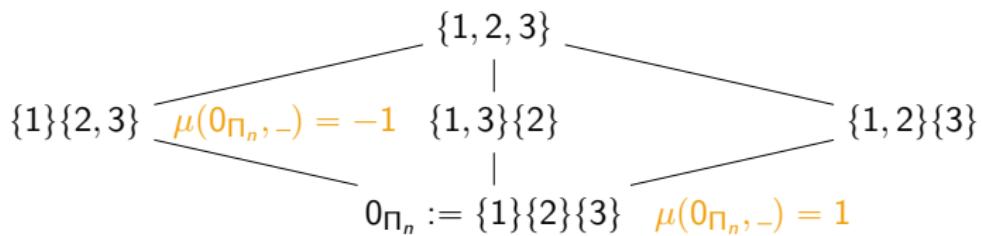
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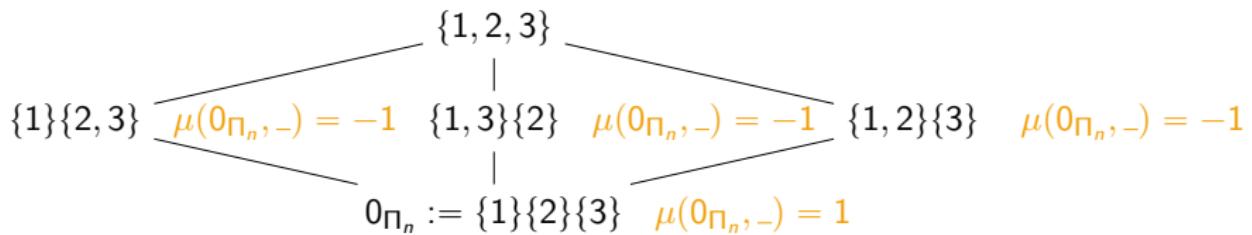
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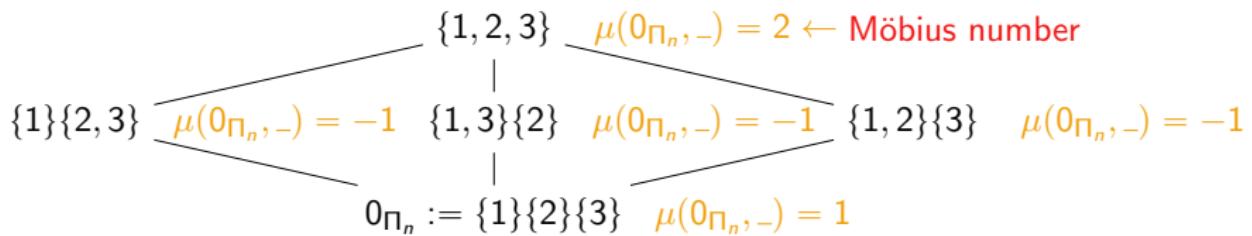
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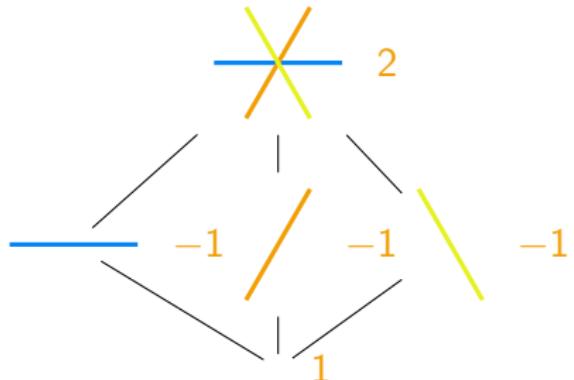
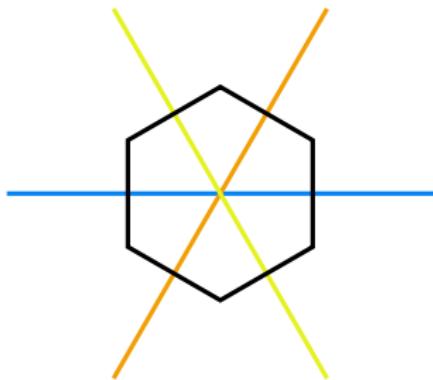


# Zaslavsky's theorem

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an hyperplane arrangement and  $\mathcal{I}$  be its intersection poset.

**Theorem (Zaslavsky, 75)**

$$\text{number of } k\text{-faces} = \sum_{\substack{I \leq J \in \mathcal{I} \\ \dim(I) = k}} |\mu(I, J)|$$

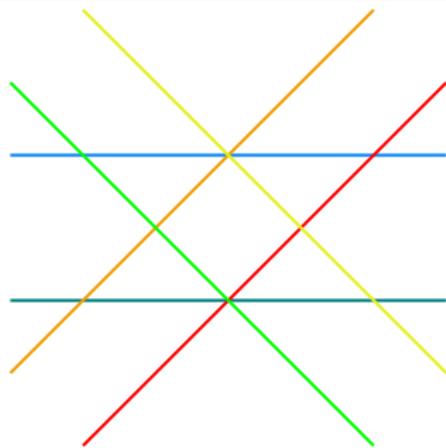
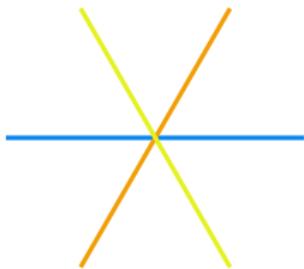


In this talk :  $\ell$  copies of the braid arrangement

### Definition

The **braid arrangement** is the hyperplane arrangement whose hyperplane satisfy equations

$$H_{i,j} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_i = x_j\}$$



## Intersection poset of the braid arrangement : the partition poset $\Pi_n$

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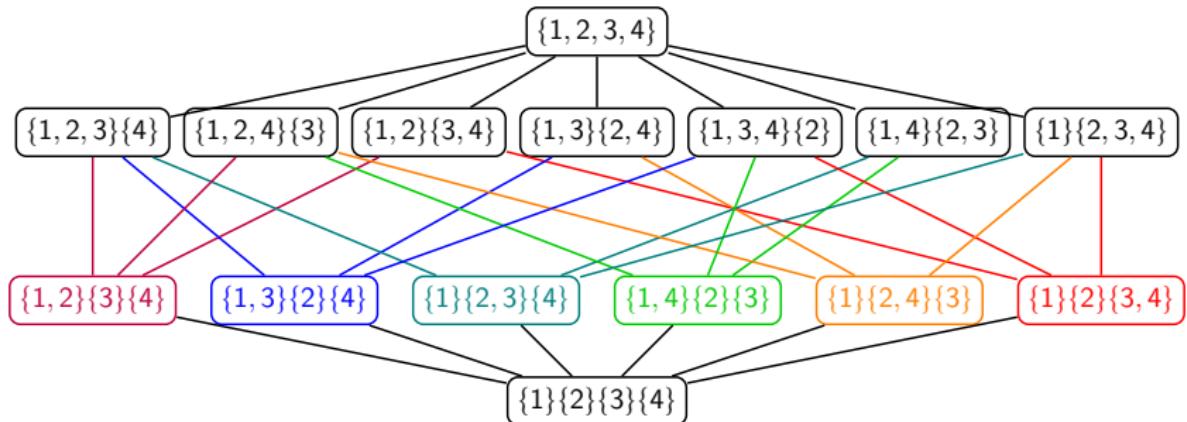
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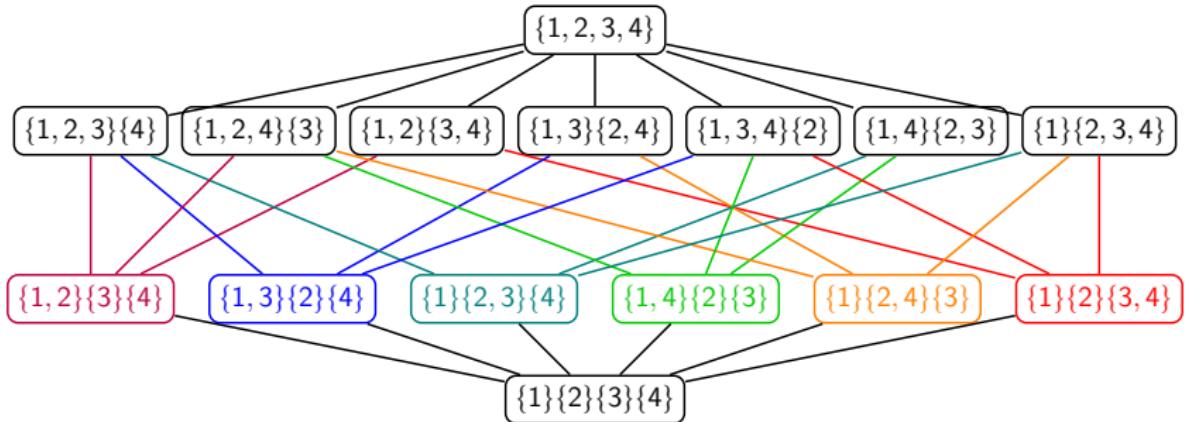
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# Intervals and möbius numbers of the partition posets



## Lemma

For  $\pi = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k) \in \Pi_n$ , we have :

$$[0_{\Pi_n}, \pi] \simeq \prod_{i=1}^k \Pi_{|\pi_k|} \quad [\pi, 1_{\Pi_n}] \simeq \Pi_k \quad \mu(\pi, 1_{\Pi_n}) = (k - 1)!$$

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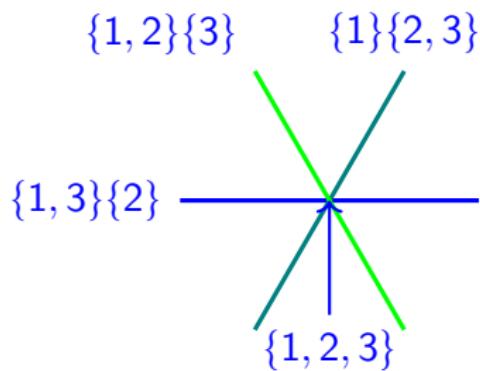
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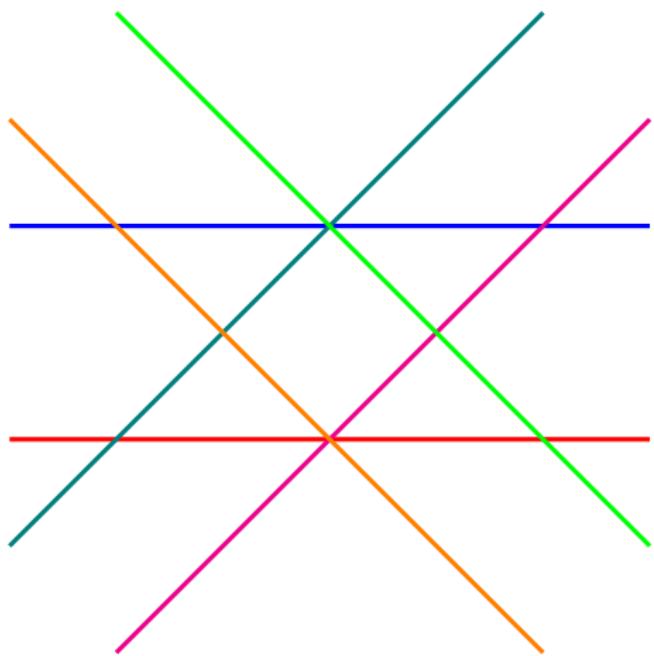
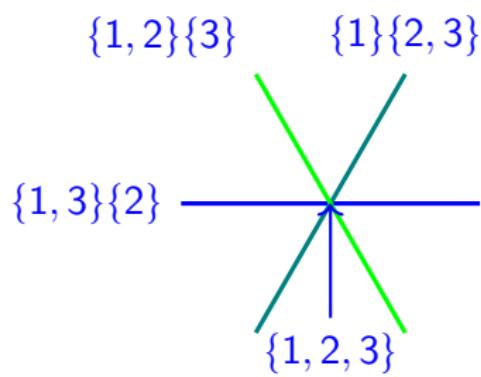
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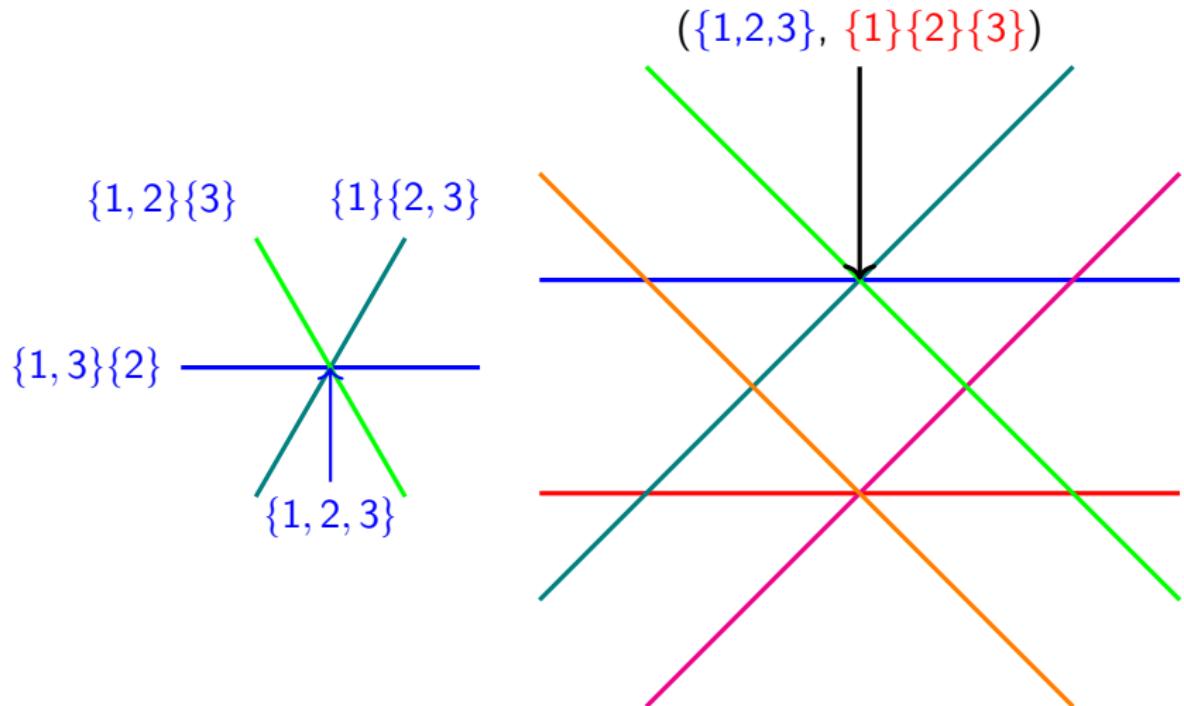
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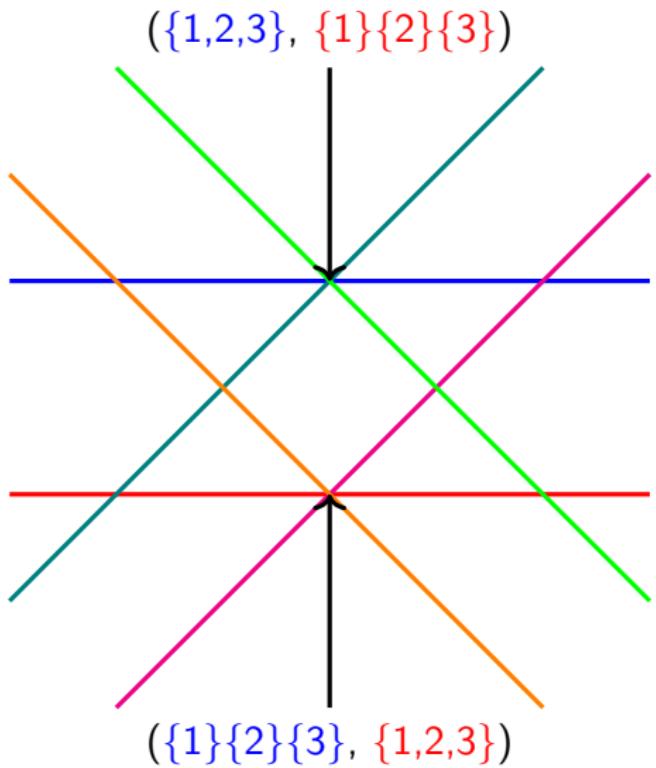
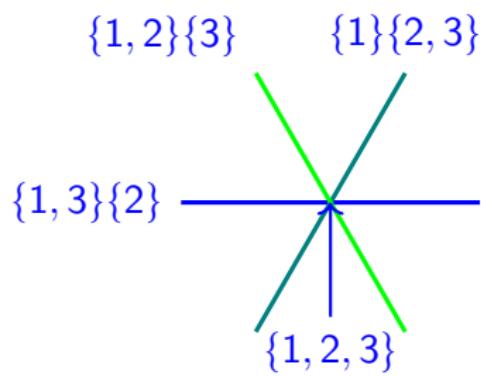
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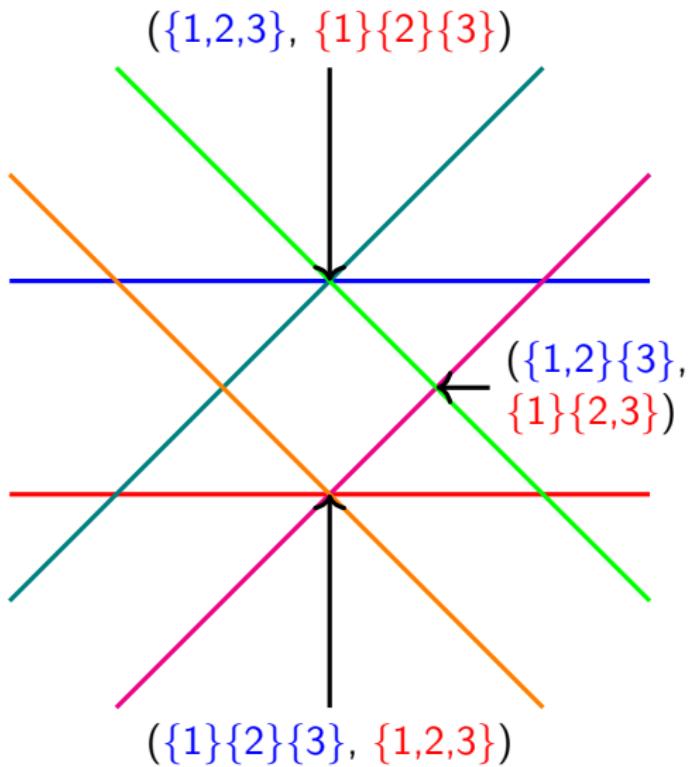
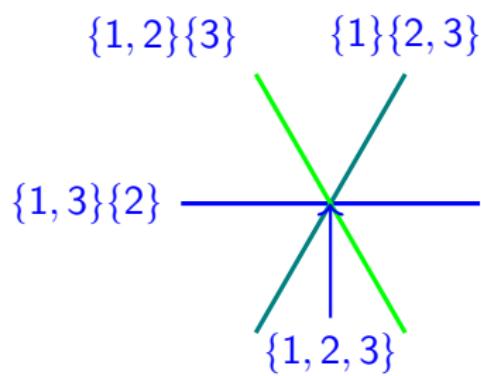
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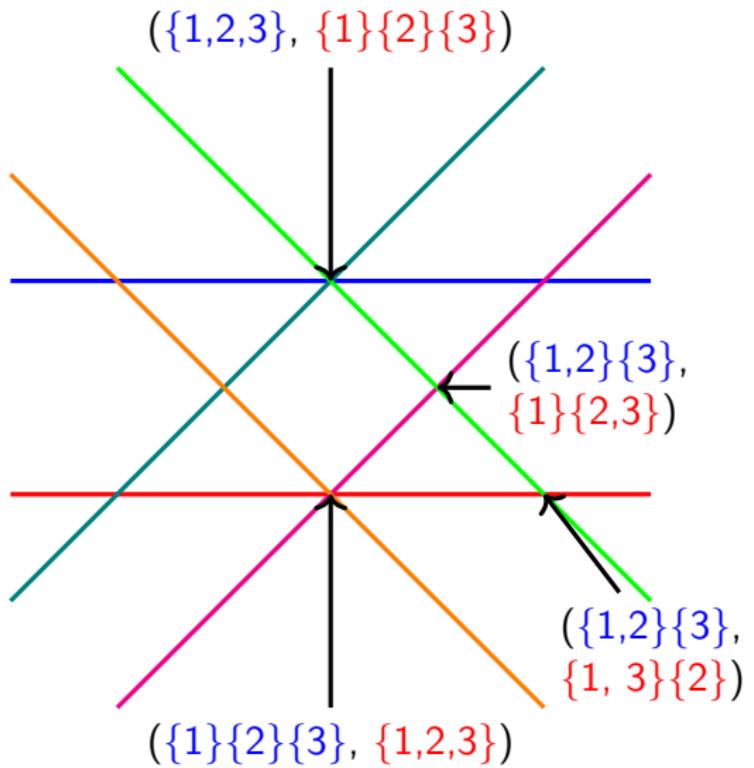
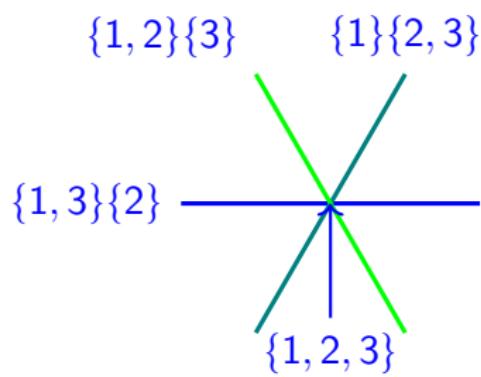
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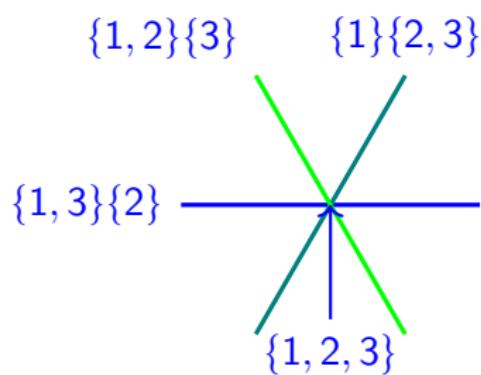
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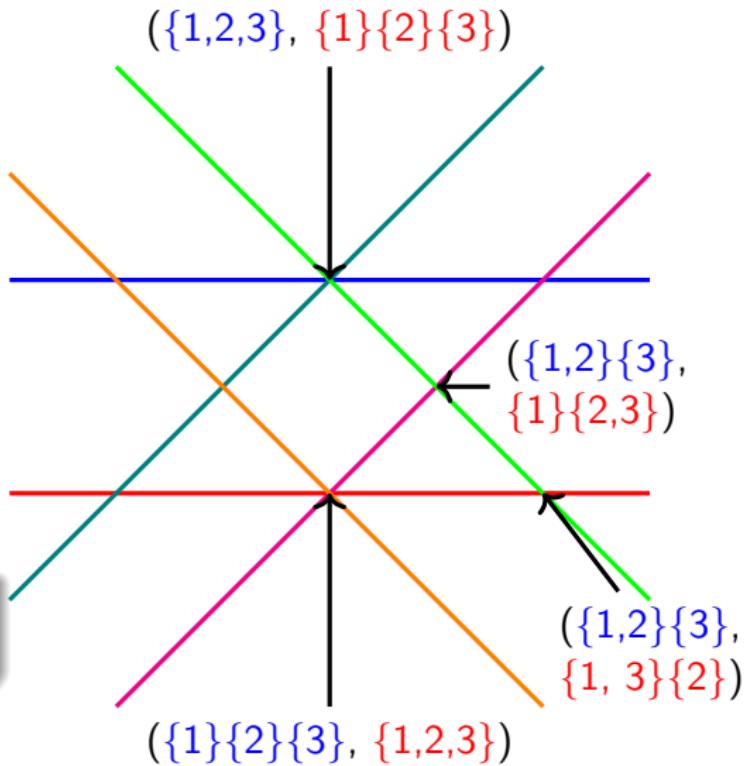


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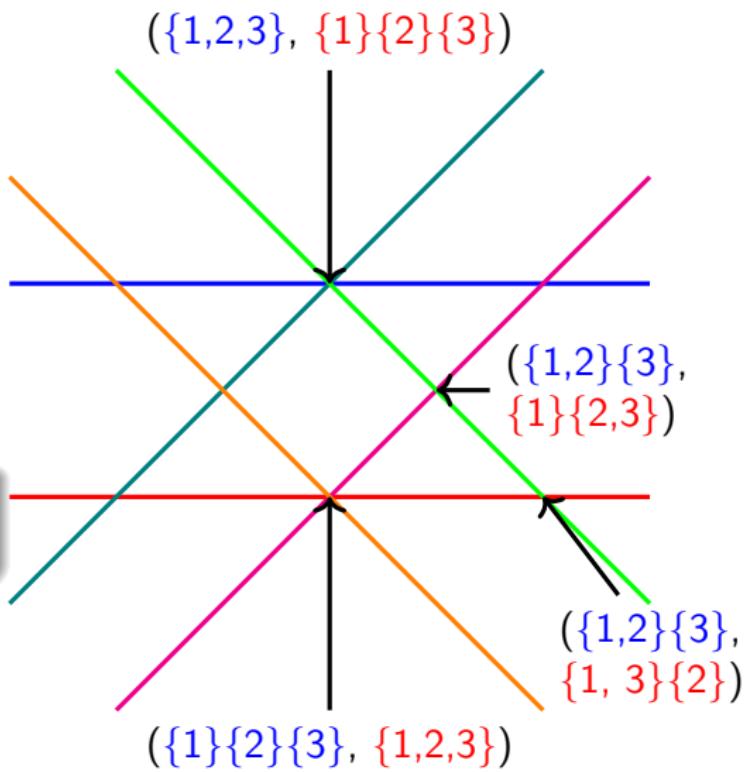
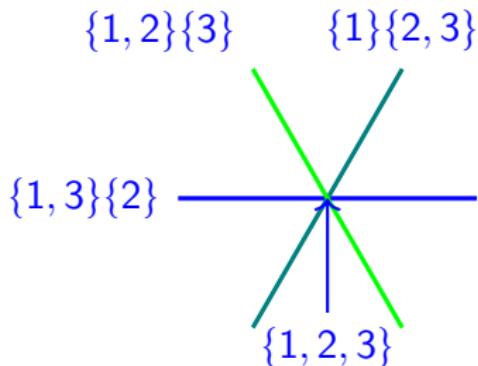


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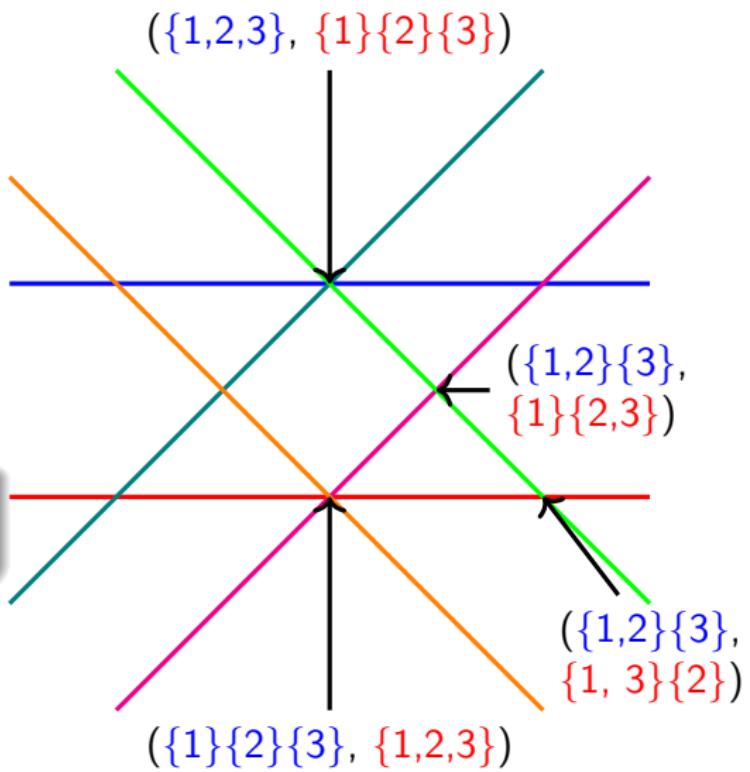
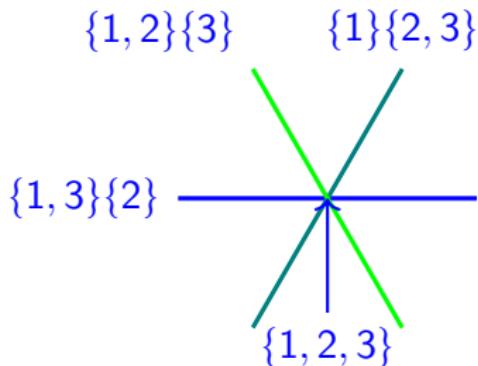


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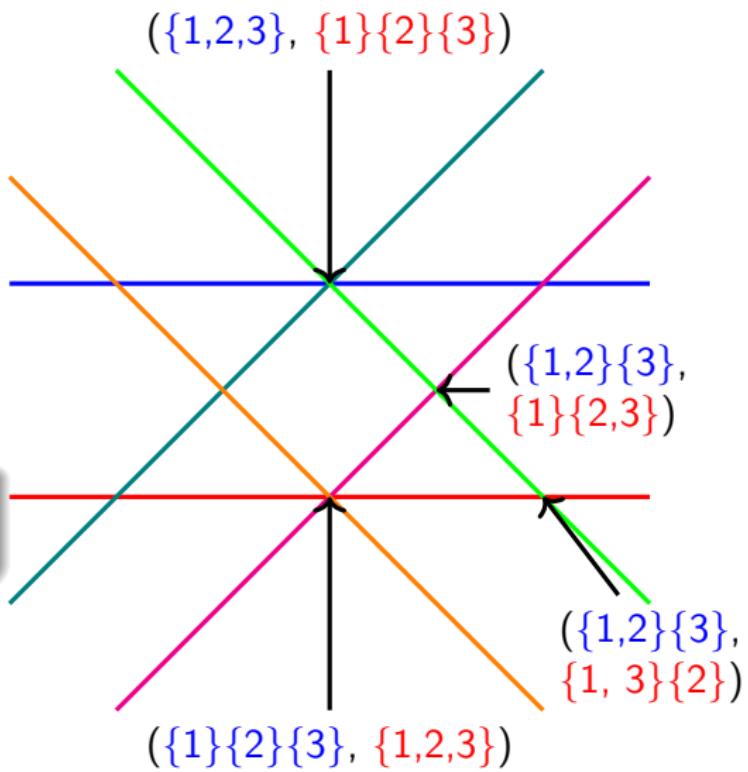
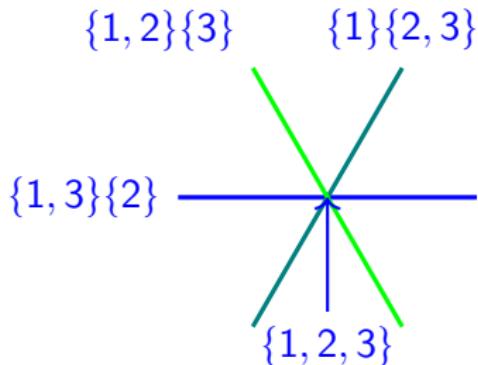


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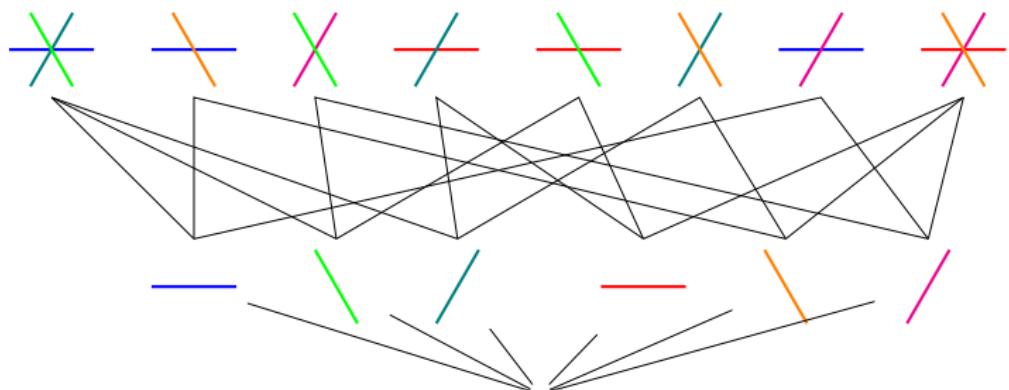
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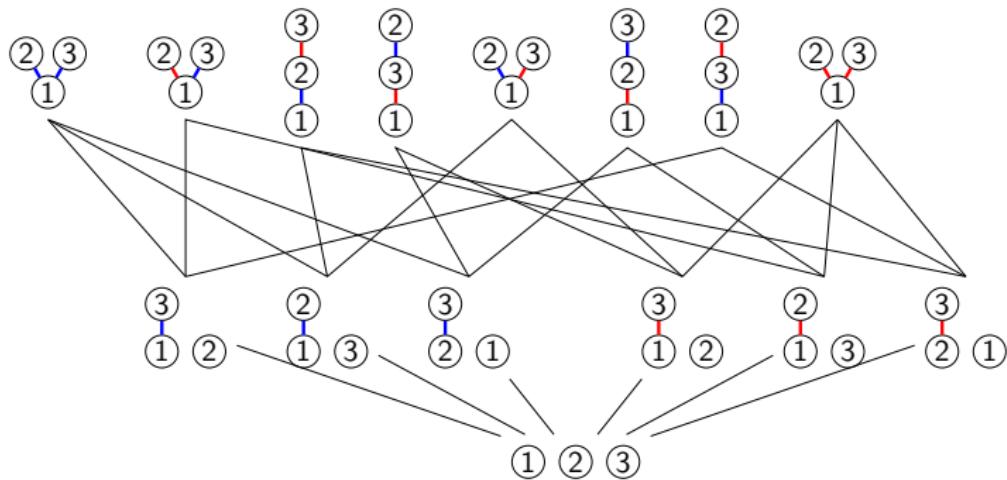


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