



CS201 DISCRETE MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE

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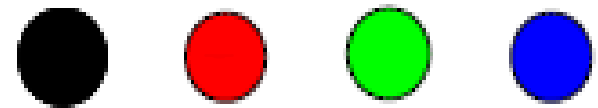
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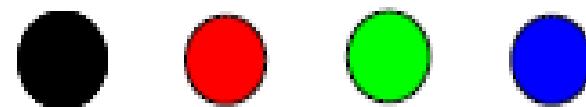


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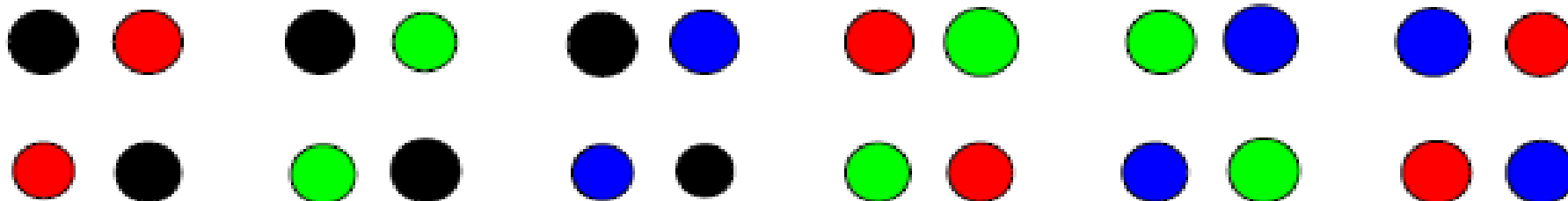
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We may either list all or use the product rule.

$$26 \times 50 = 1300$$



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$$12 + 5 + 10$$



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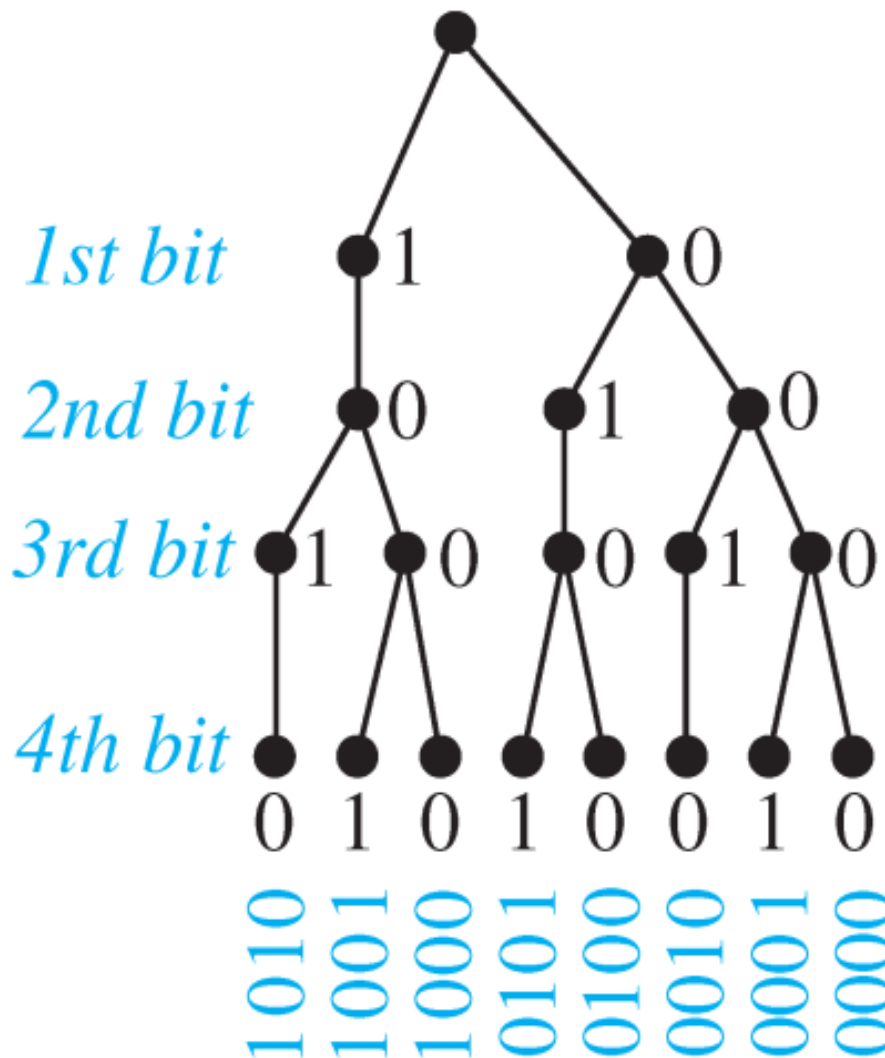
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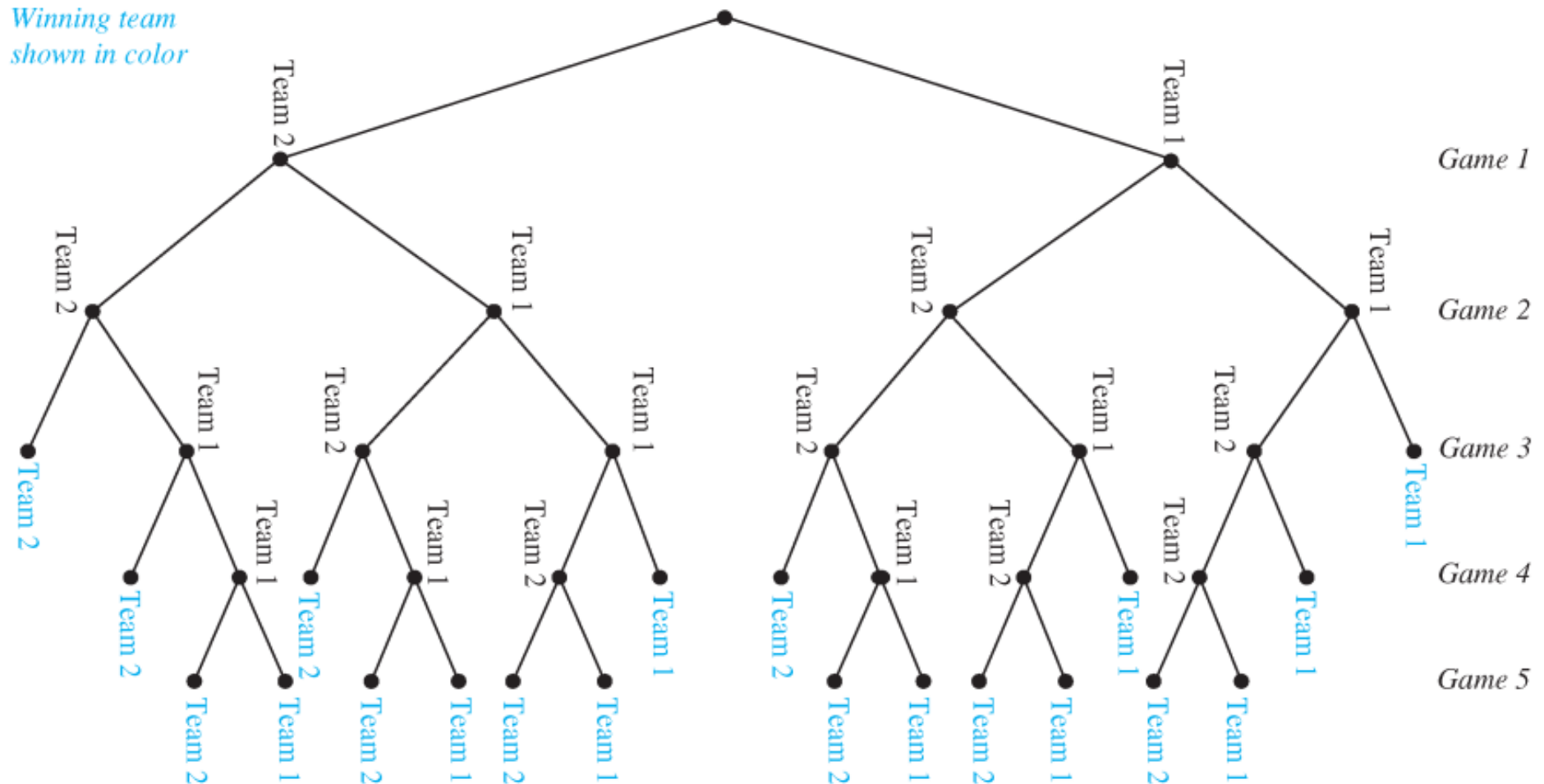
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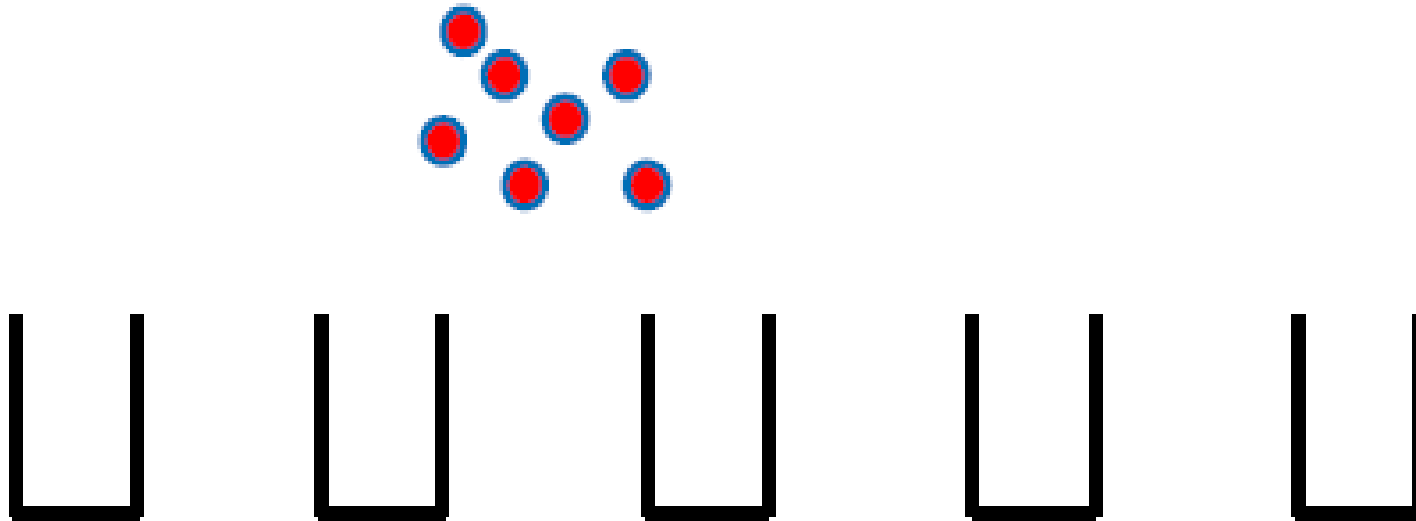


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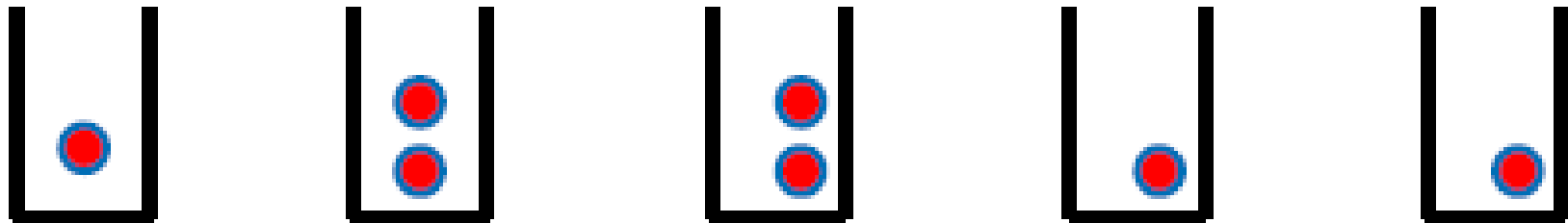


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Assume that there are 367 students. Are there any two people who have the same birthday?

There are 5 bins and 12 objects. Then there must be a bin with at least 3 objects. Why?



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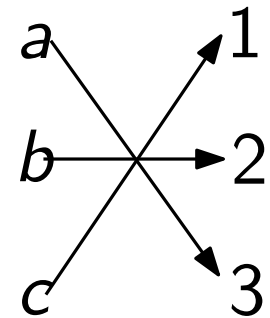


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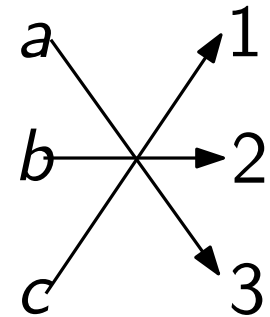


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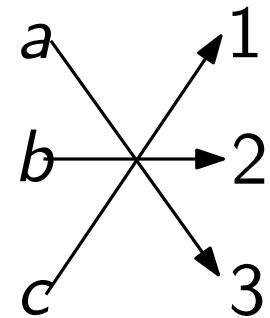


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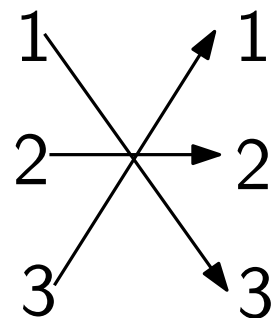
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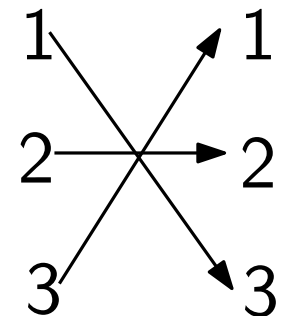
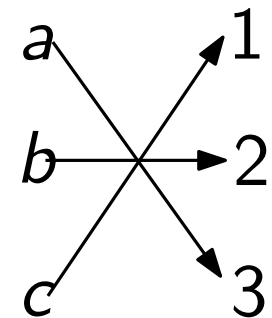
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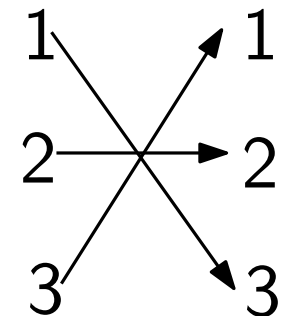
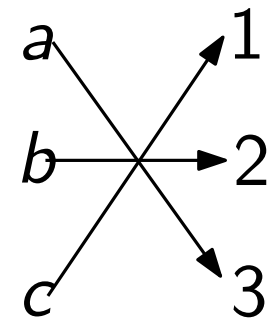
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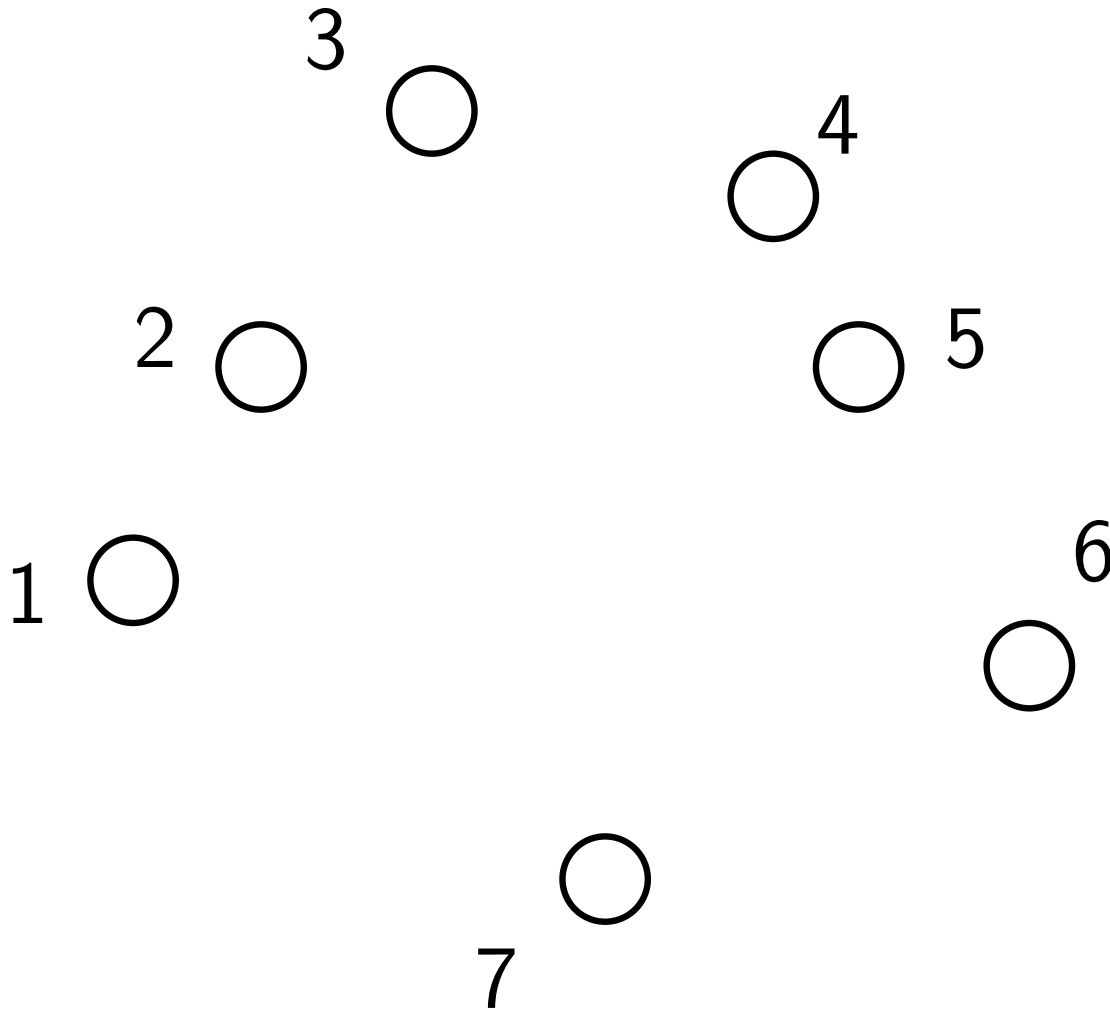
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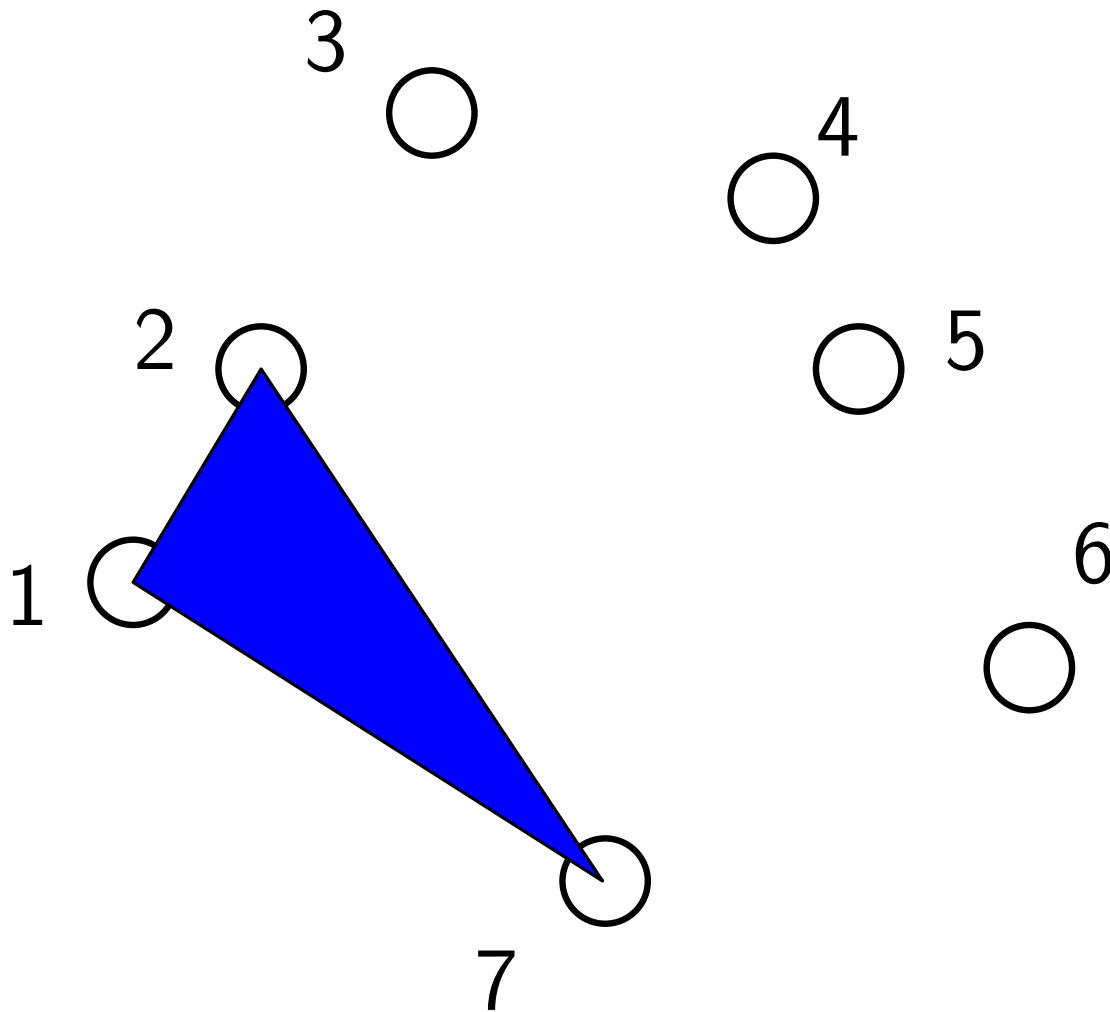
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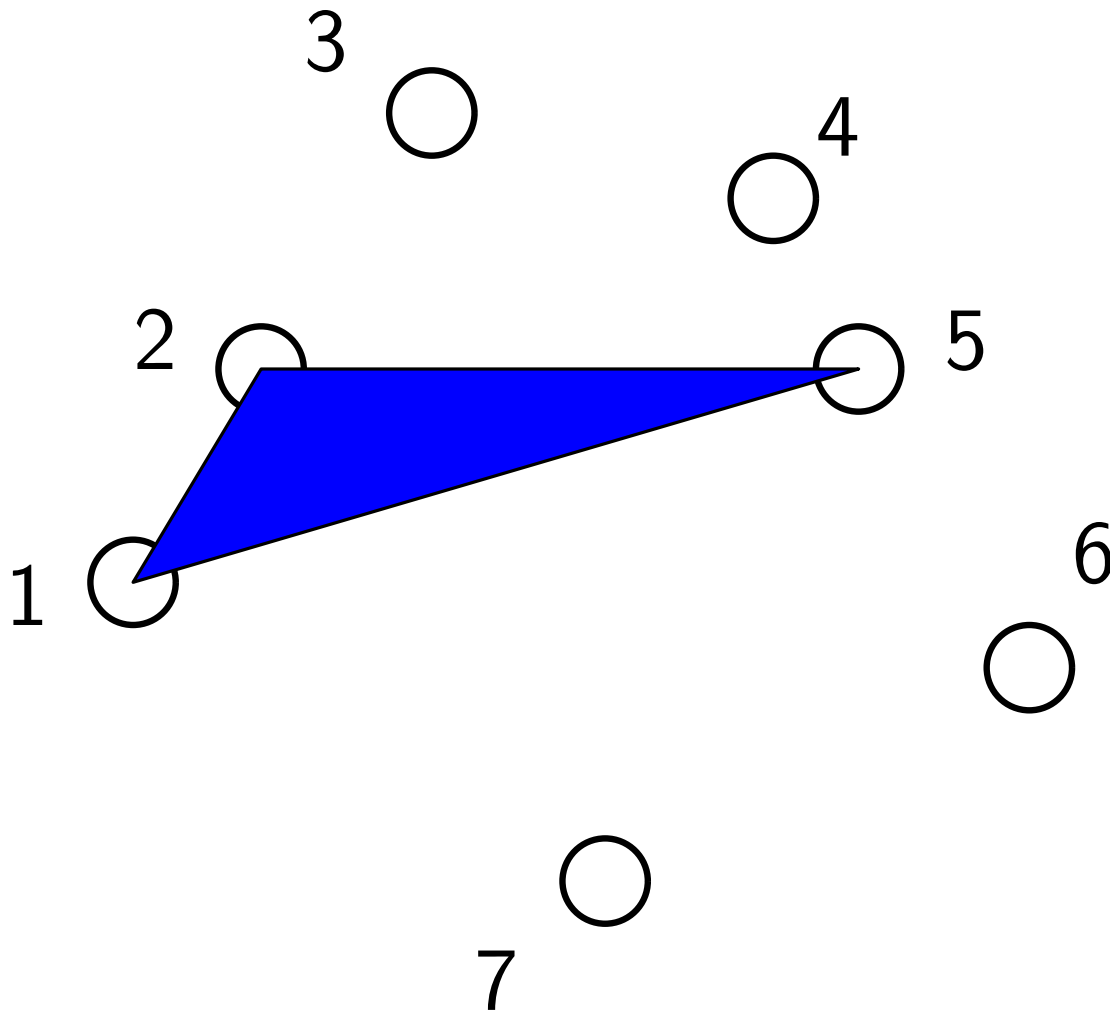


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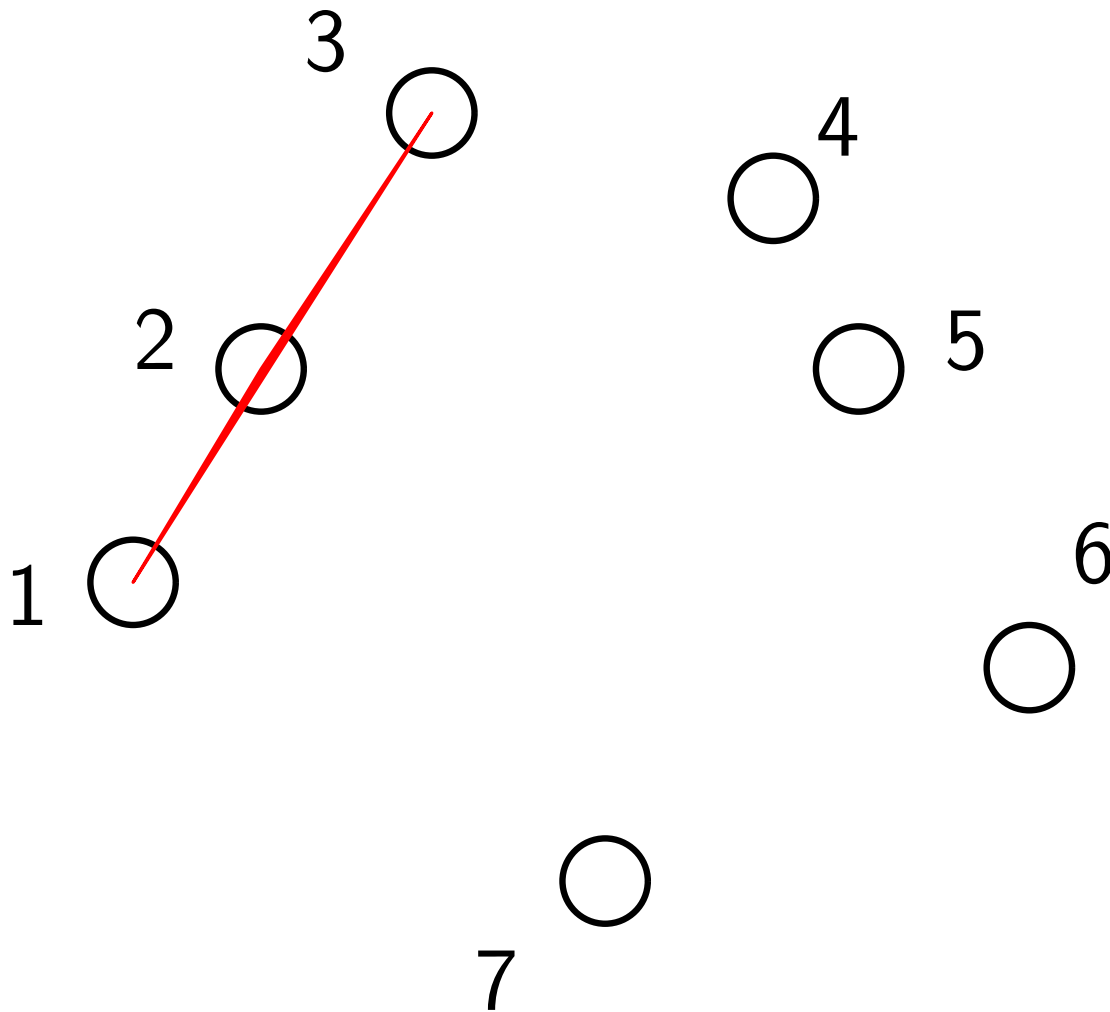
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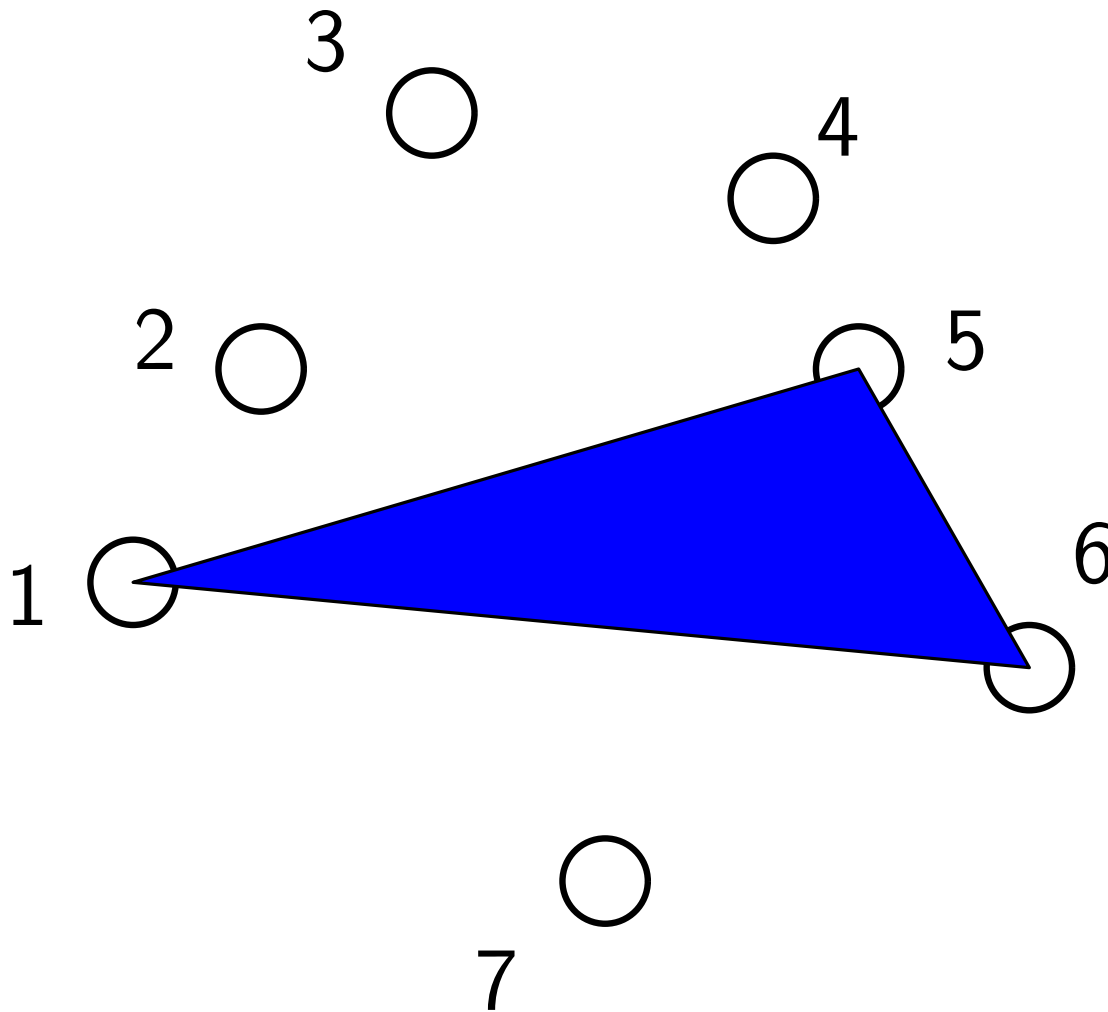
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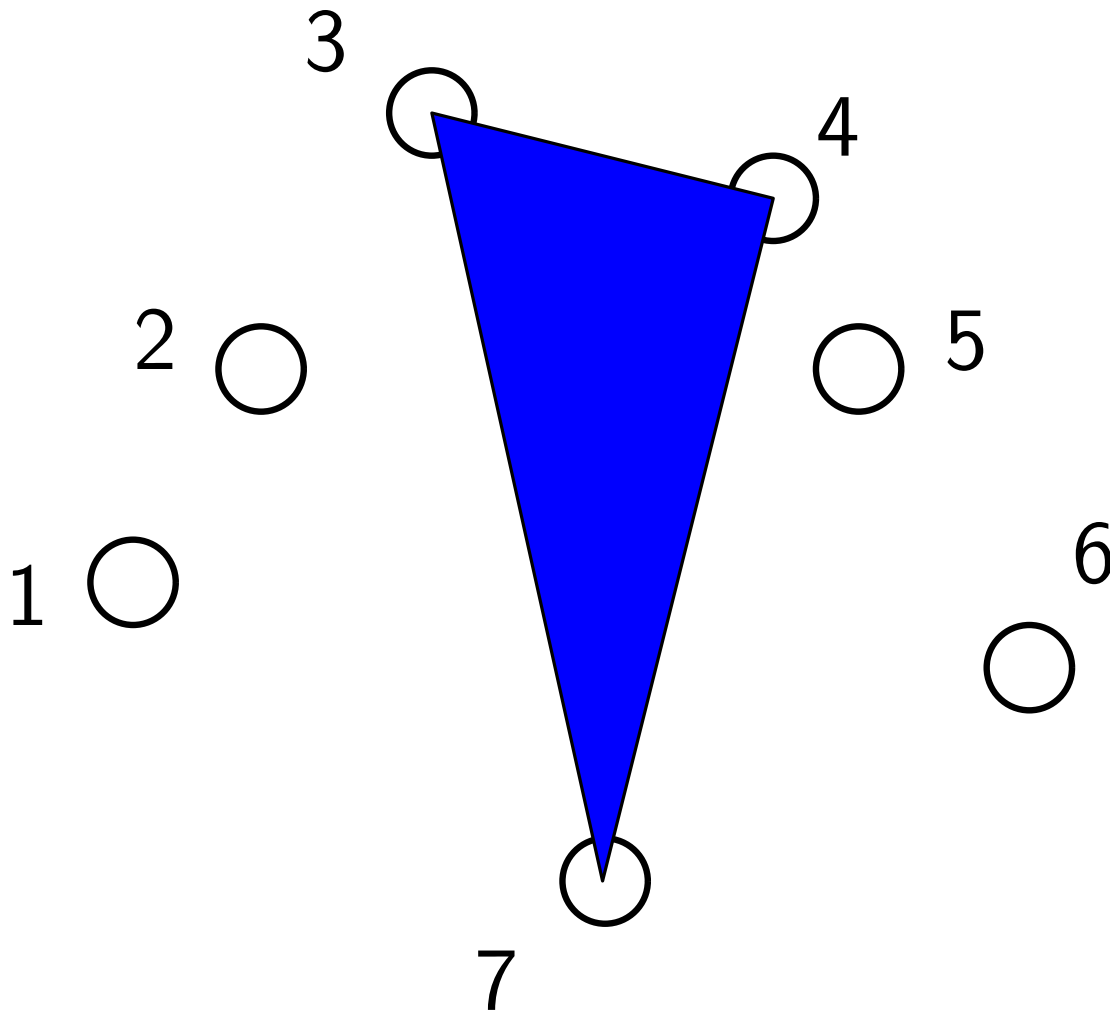
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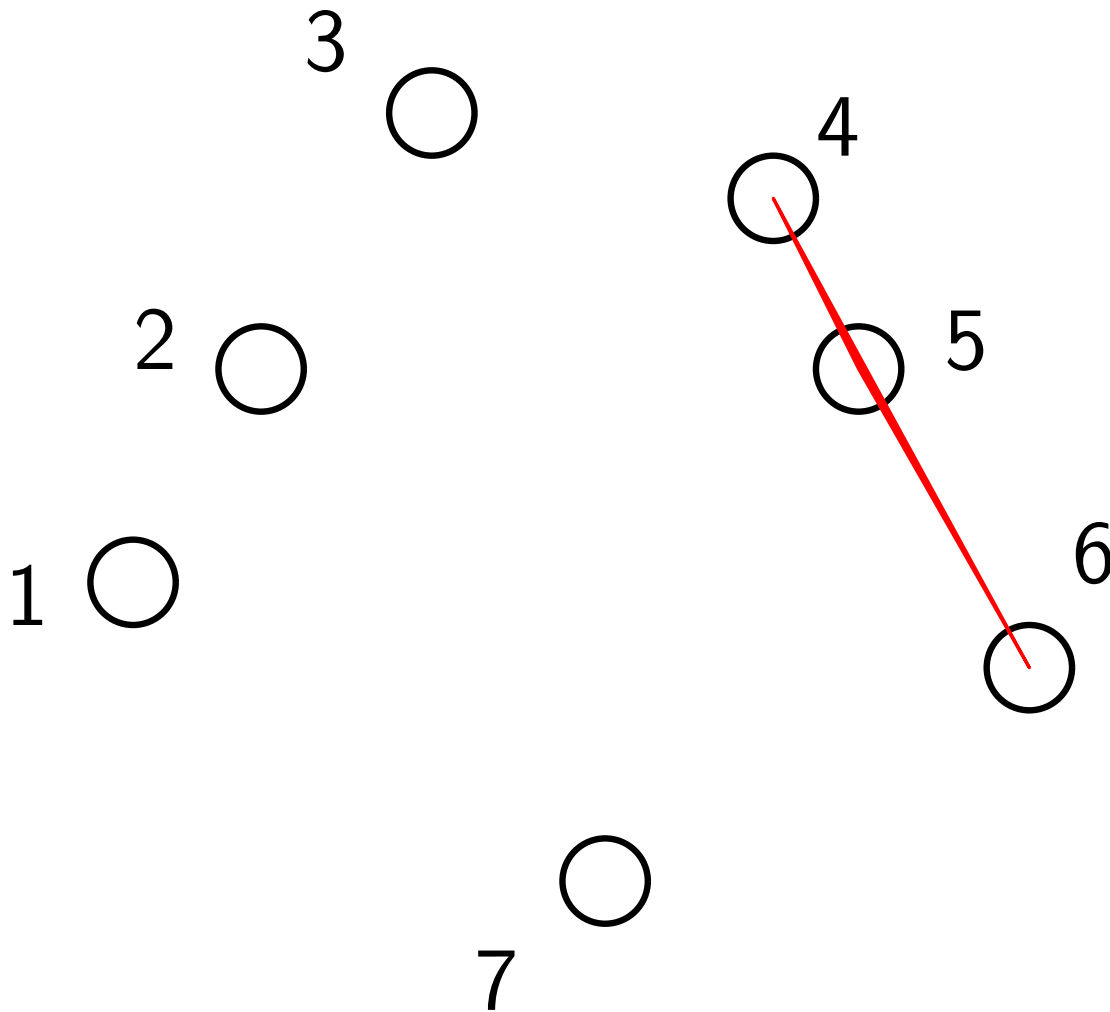
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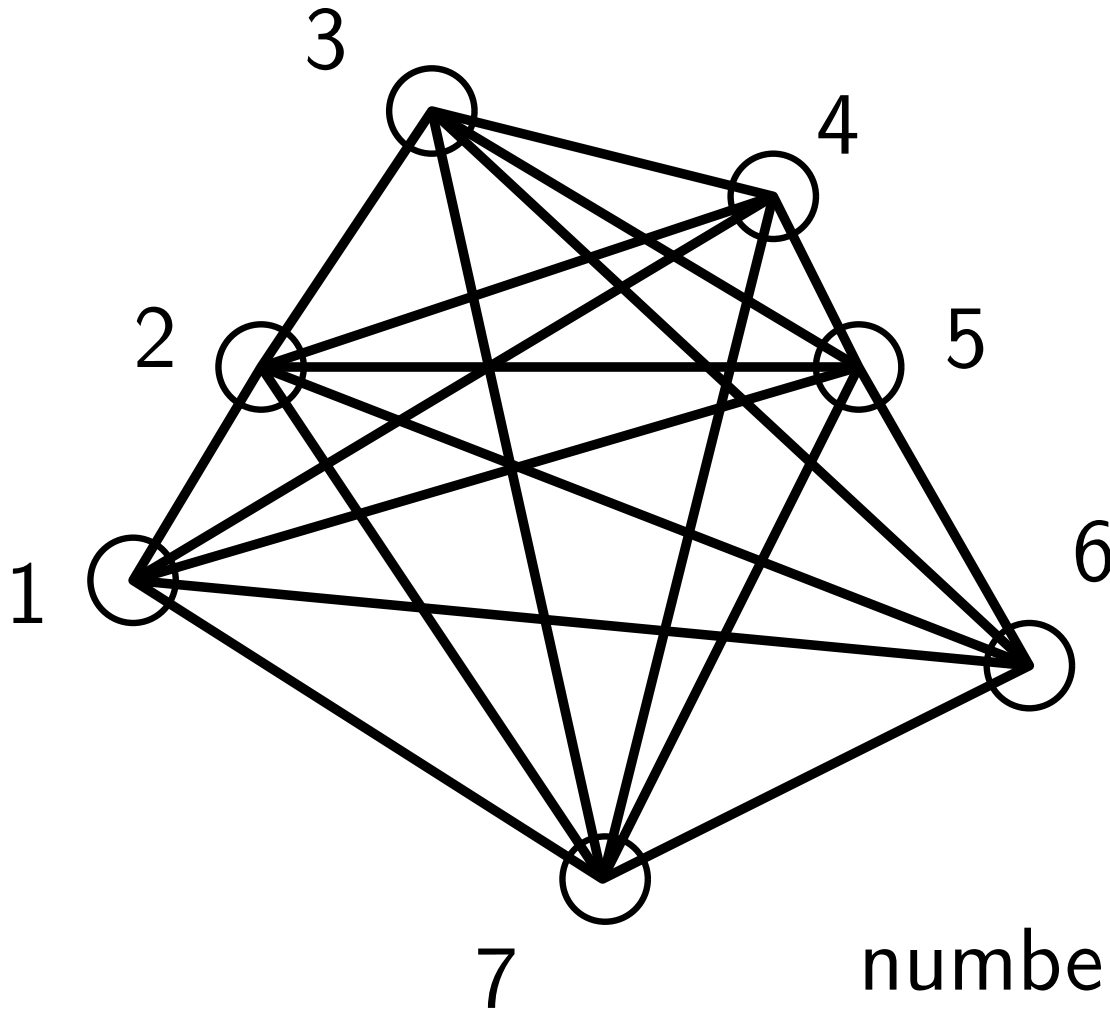
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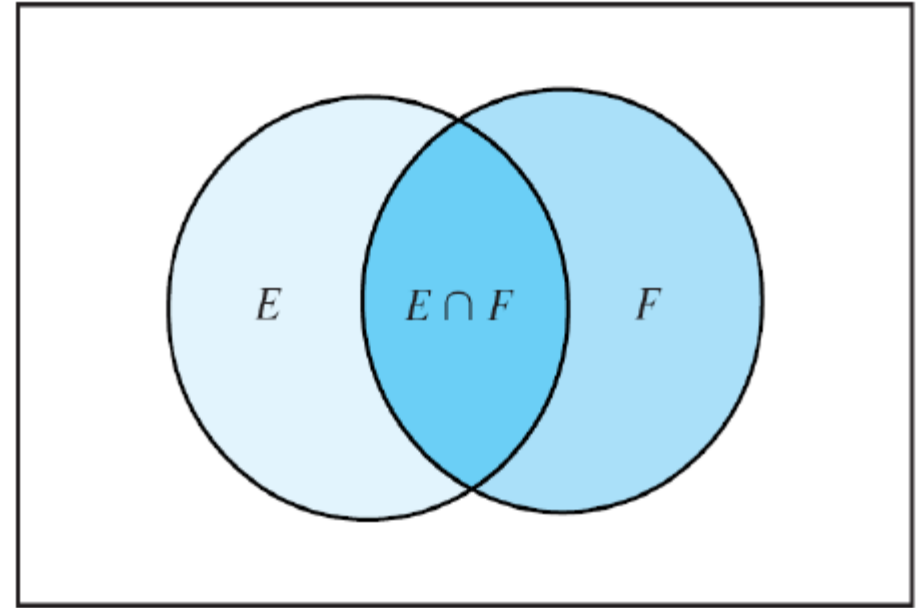
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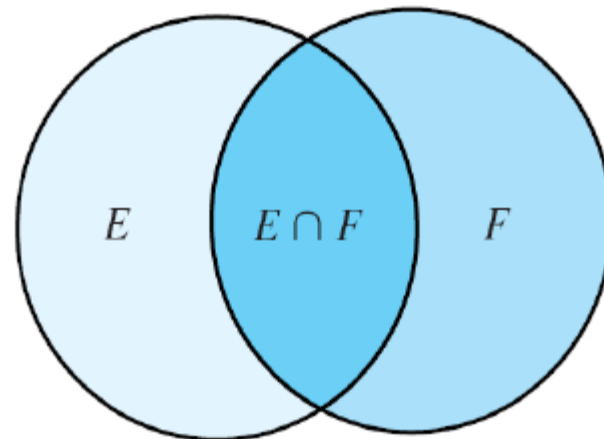
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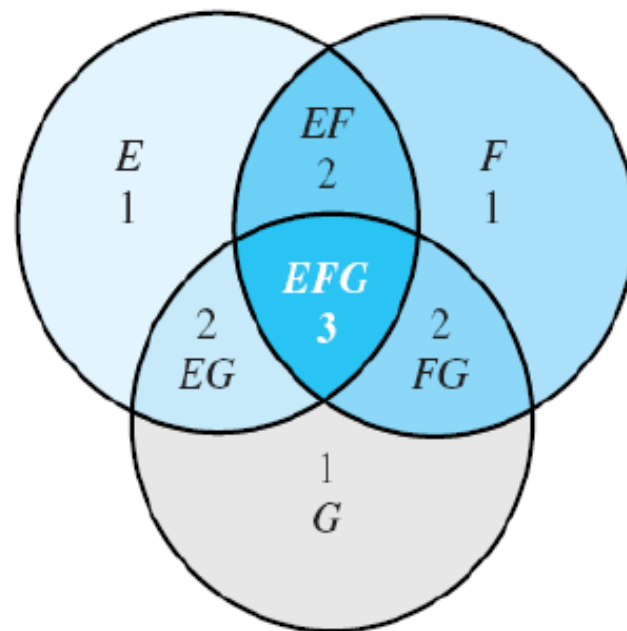
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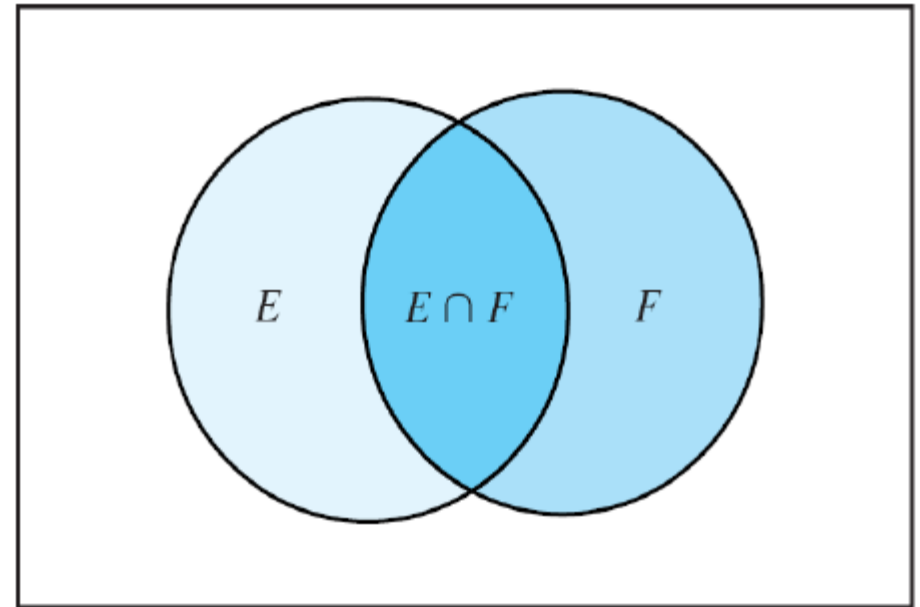
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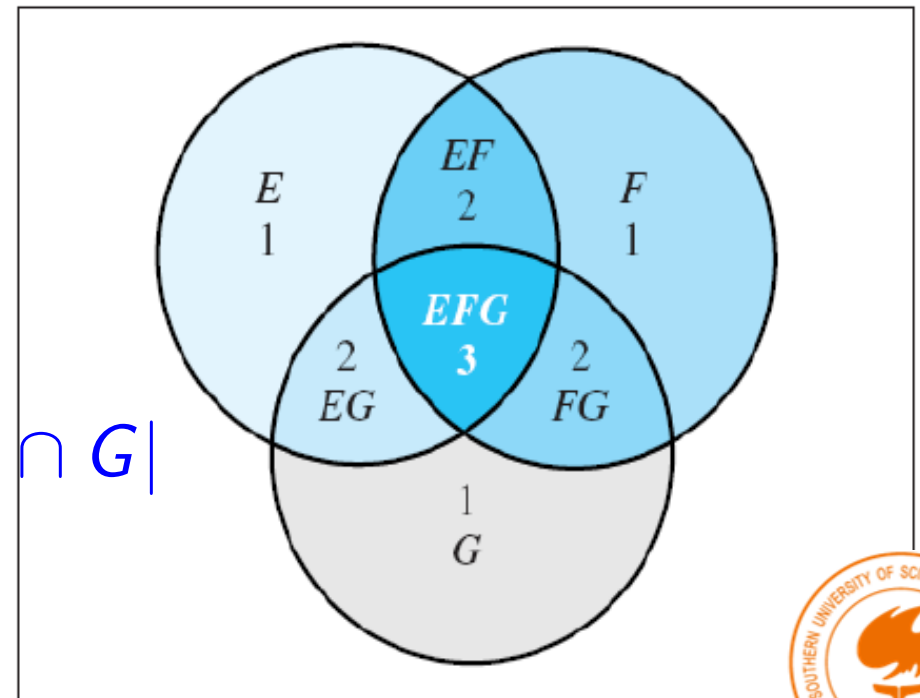
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