

Packing and Covering with Geometric Objects



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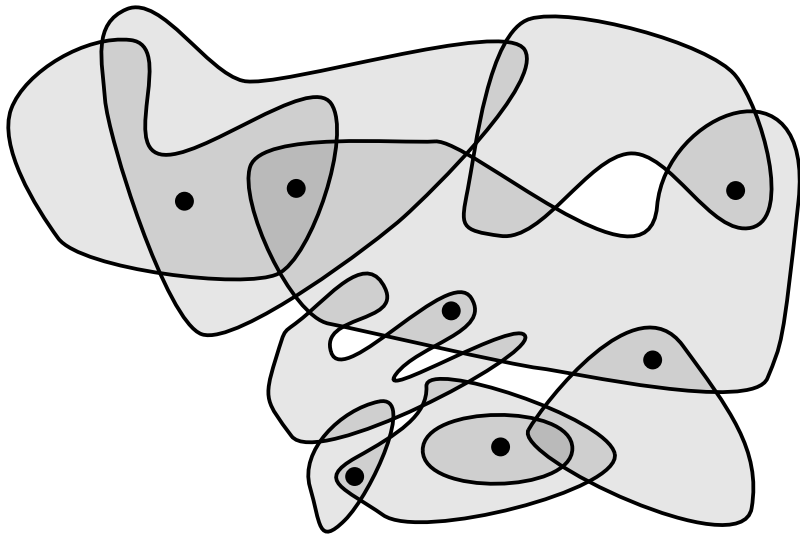
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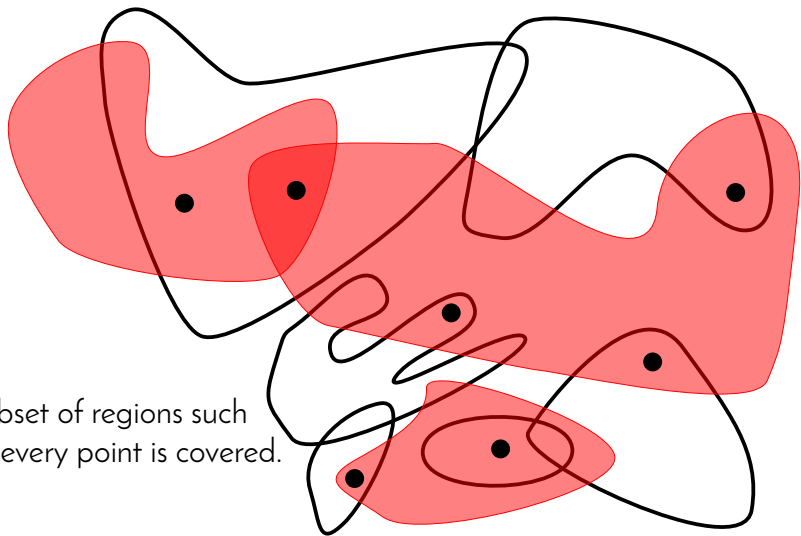
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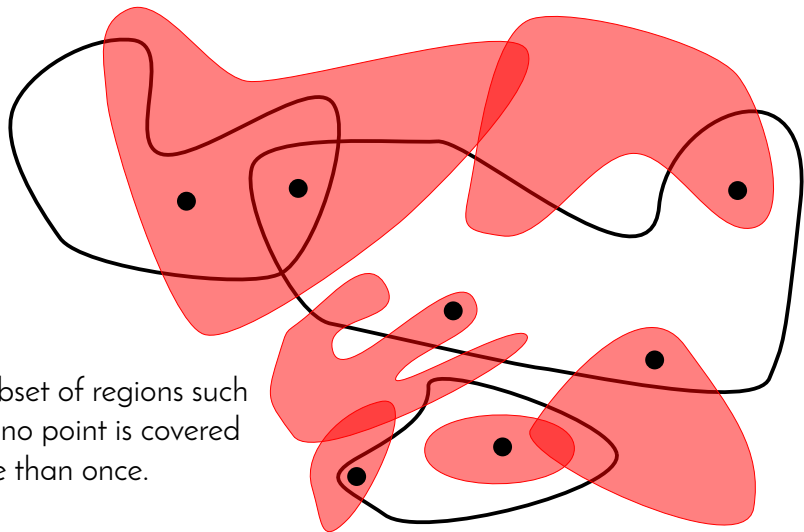
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Set Cover



Set Packing



A subset of regions such that no point is covered more than once.

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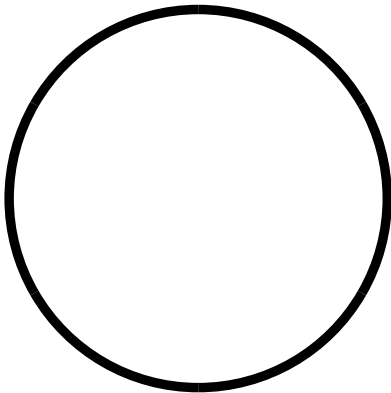
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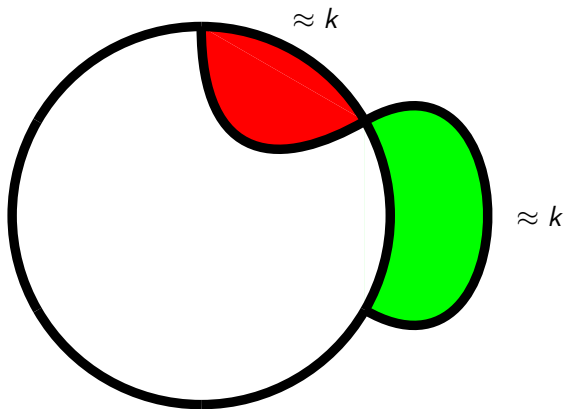
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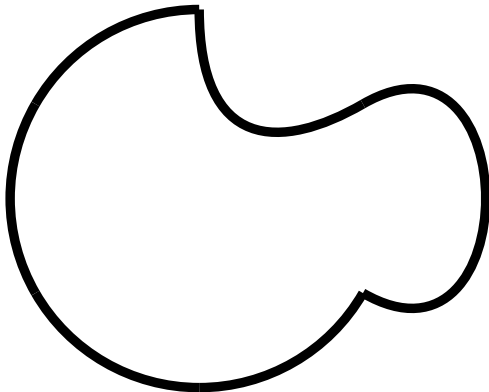
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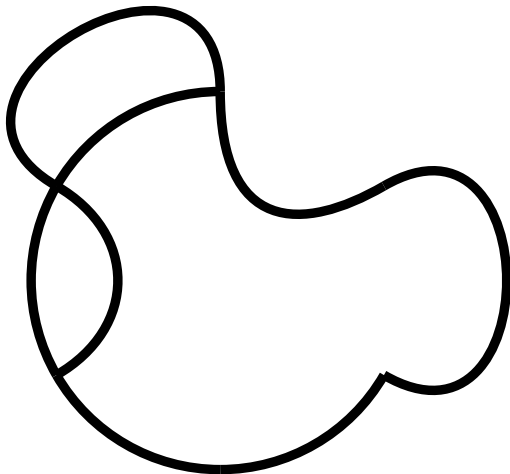
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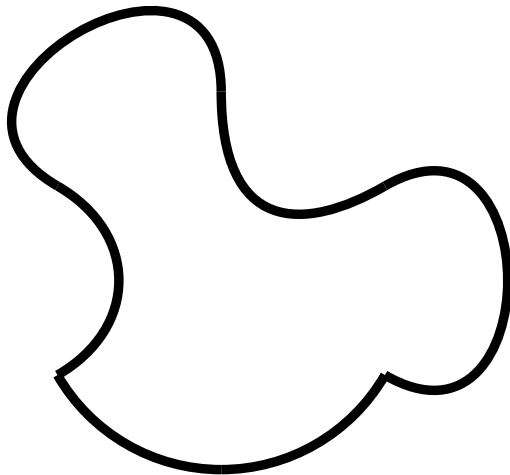
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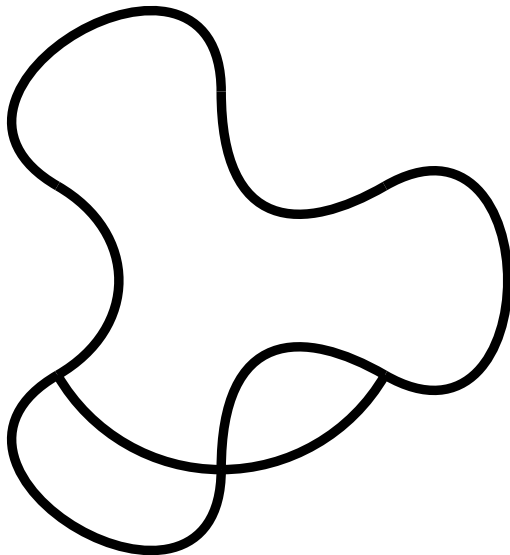
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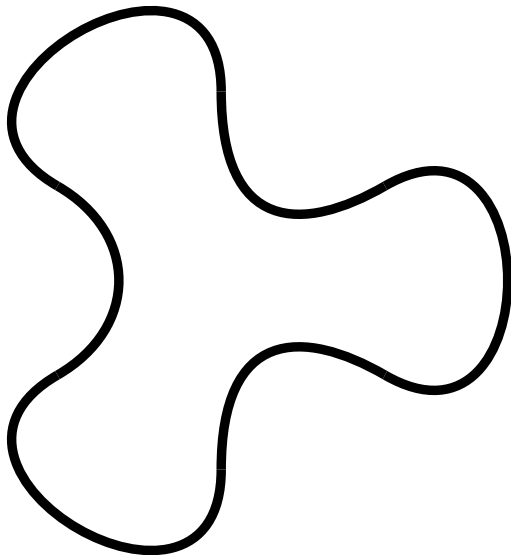
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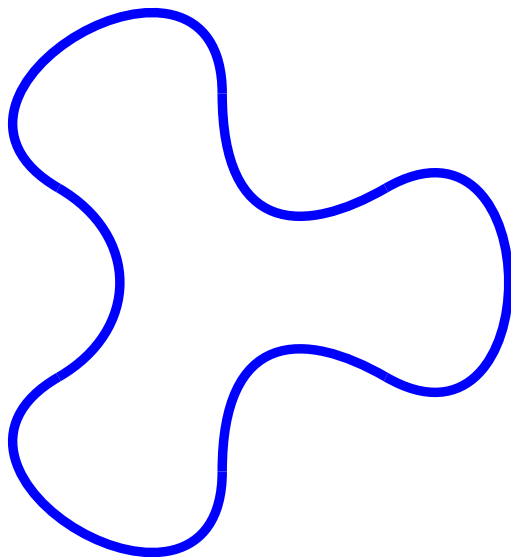


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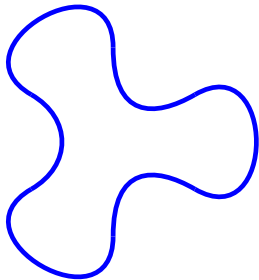
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$(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximation

$$\epsilon = c/\sqrt{k}$$

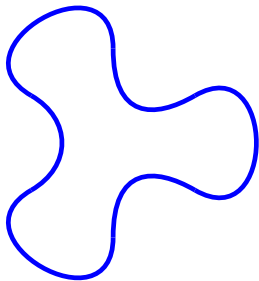
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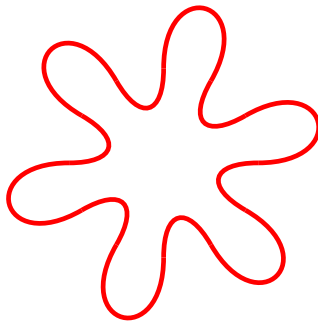
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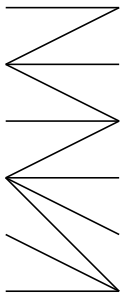
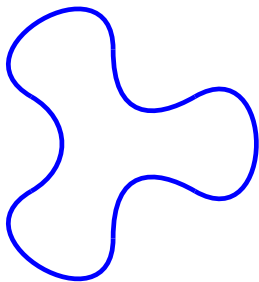
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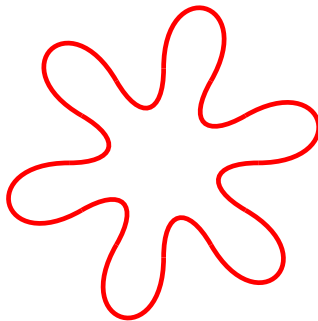
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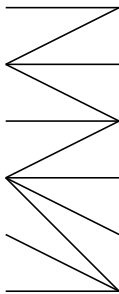
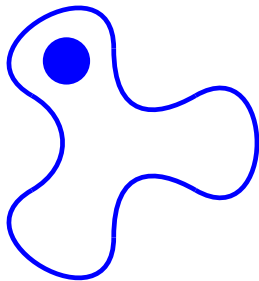


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viz., **Planar Graphs**

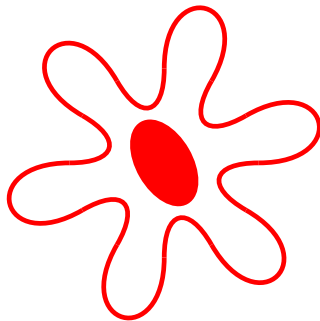
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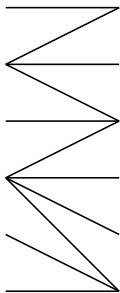
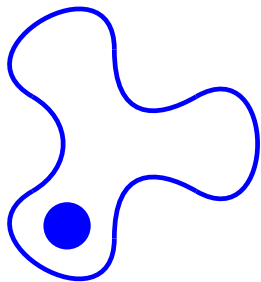


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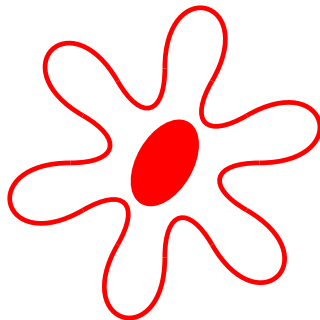
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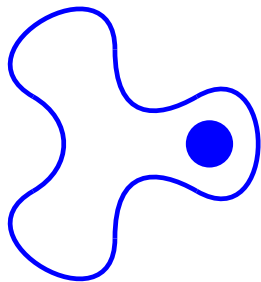


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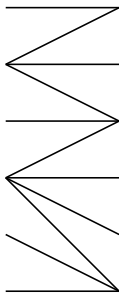
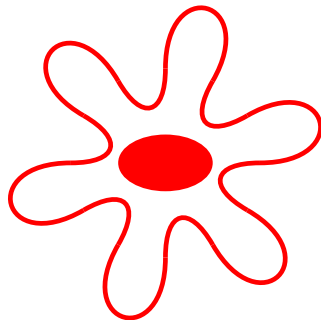
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Small Set Expansion

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Existence of Bipartite Graphs with

1. Small and Balanced Separators
2. Small Set Expansion property

Intersection Graphs
of shallow arrangements

NOT Planar

Intersection Graphs
of shallow arrangements

have Small and
Balanced Separators
using some appropriate
planar graphs

Shallow Packing^{2,3}

Point Packing²

Runaway Rectangle Escape problem¹

Unique Coverage³

Multi-Covering problem³

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