

From Antimagic to Equitable Labellings

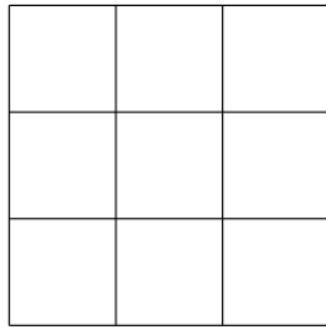
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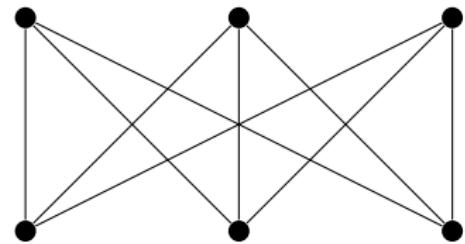


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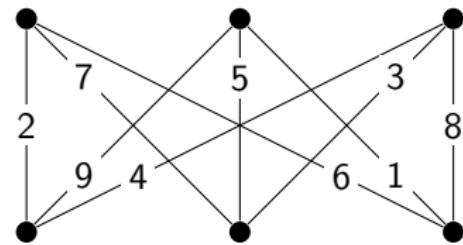
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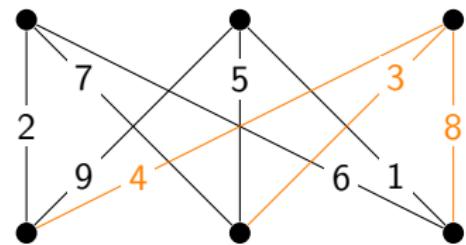
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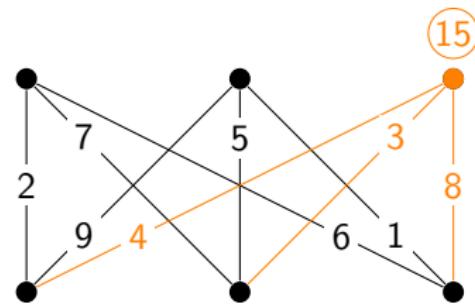
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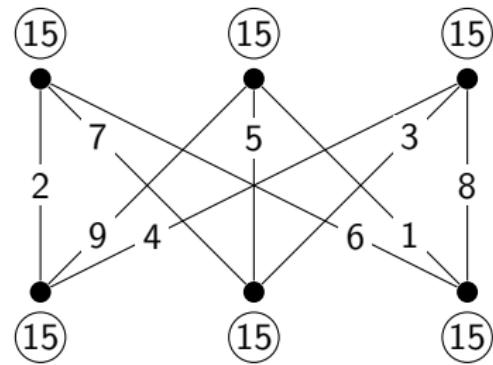
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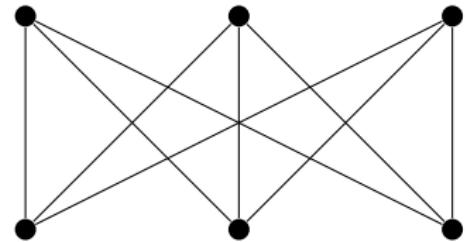
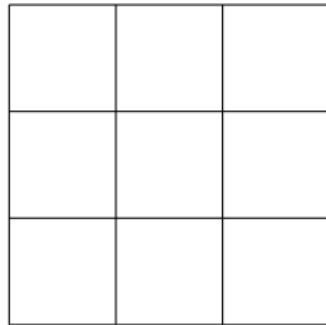


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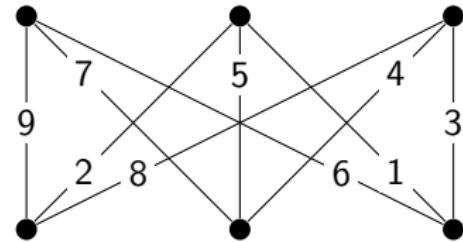


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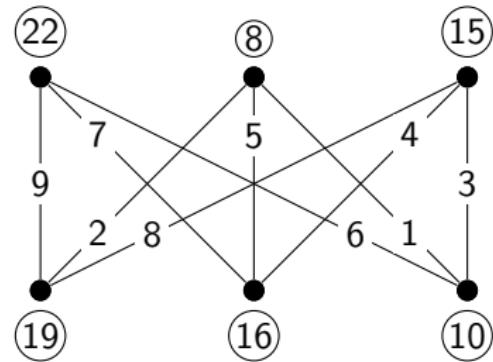
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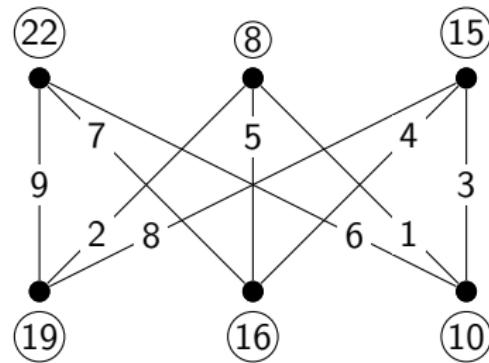
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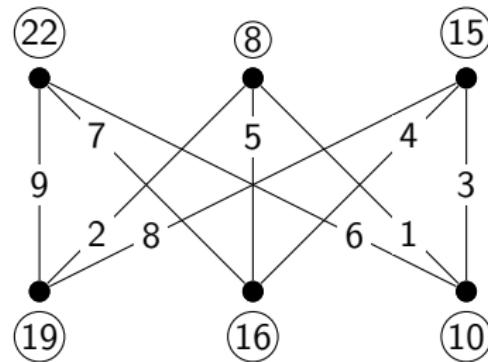


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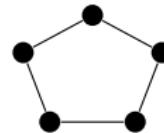
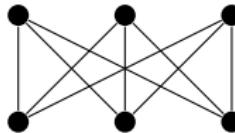
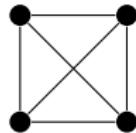
We will get back to all this terminology later.

Regular Graphs

Definition

A graph is *regular* if all its vertices have the same number of incident edges, called *degree*.

There are a lot of different regular graphs, for example:



Question

What is an *irregular* graph?

Irregular graphs

Observation

There are no simple graphs where every two vertices have different degree.



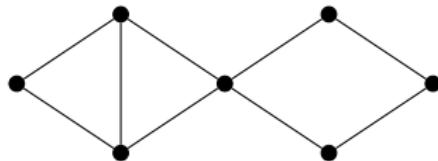
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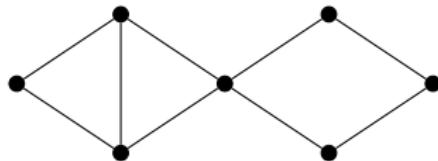
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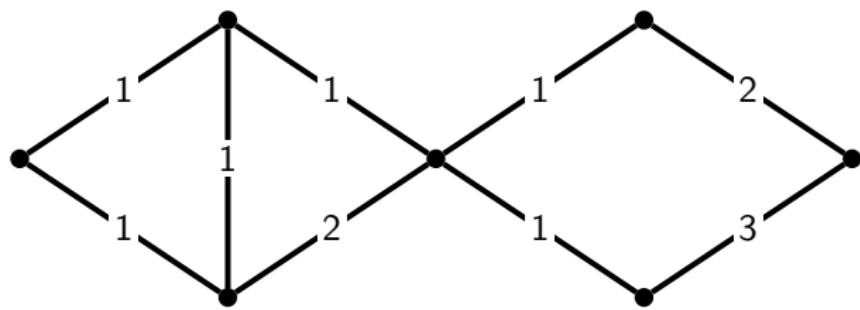
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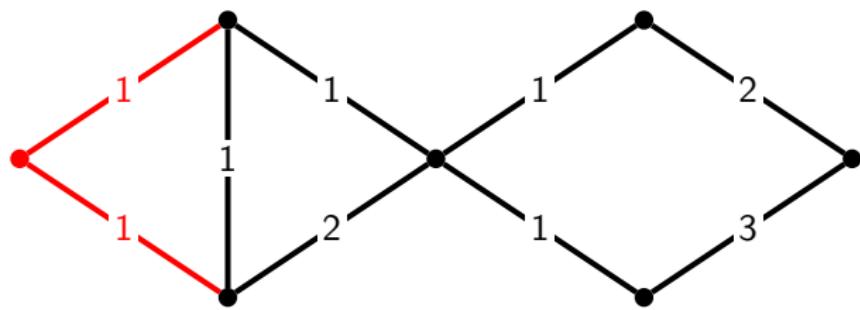
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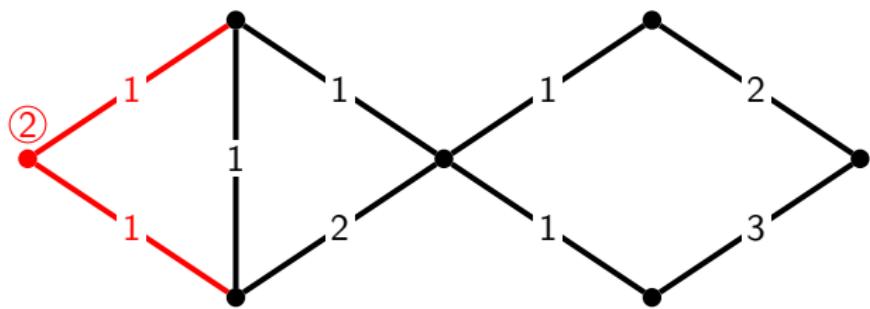
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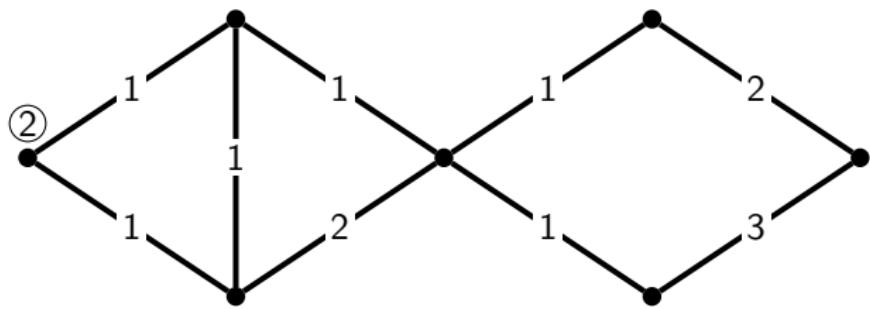
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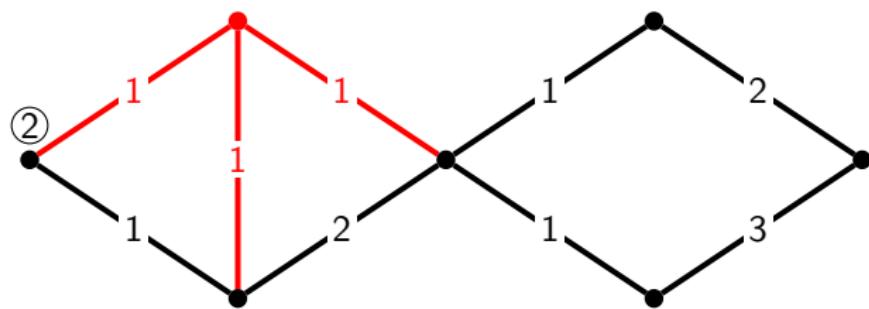
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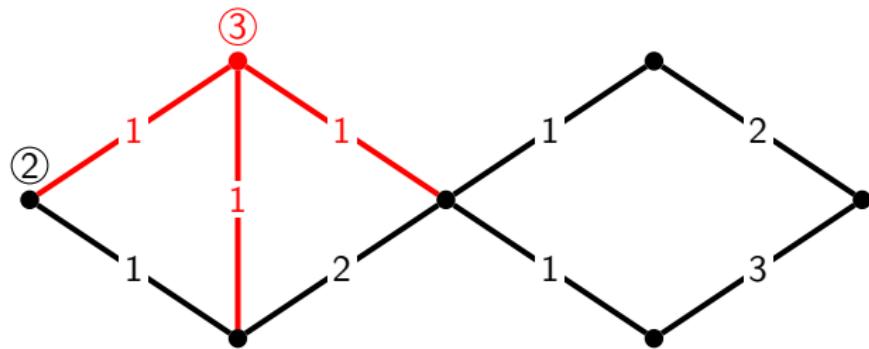
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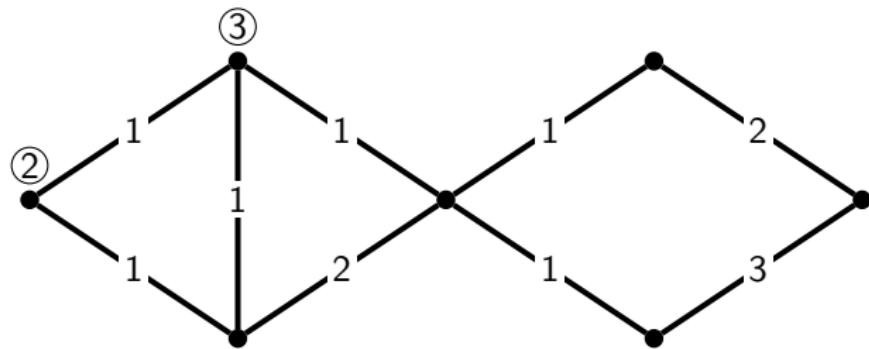
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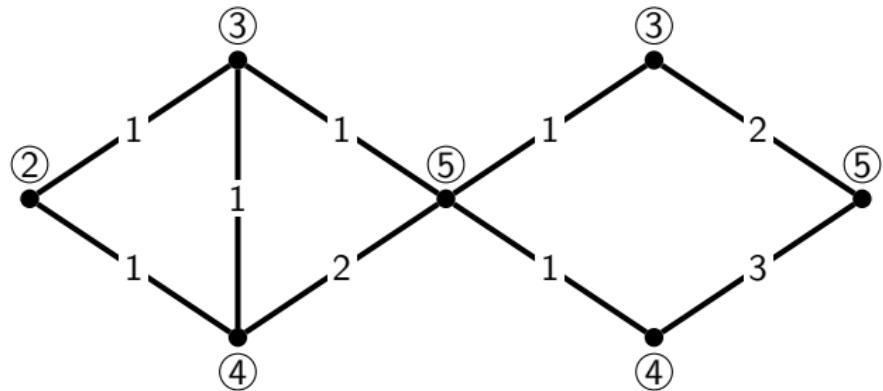
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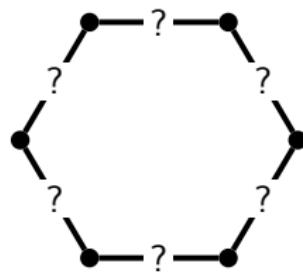
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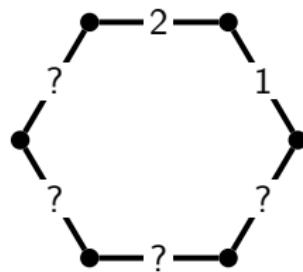
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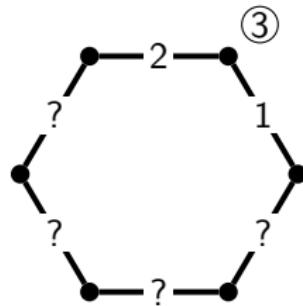
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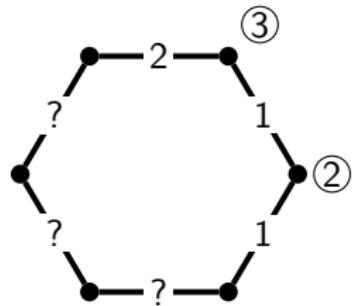
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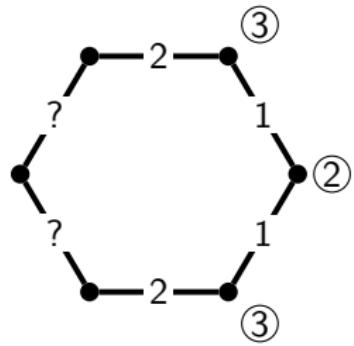
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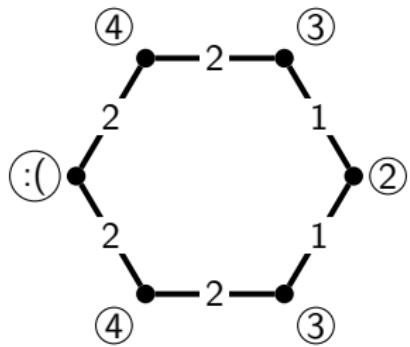
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1-2 Problem (Ahadi *et al.*, 2013)

Given a graph G , deciding if G admits a 2-labelling is NP-complete.

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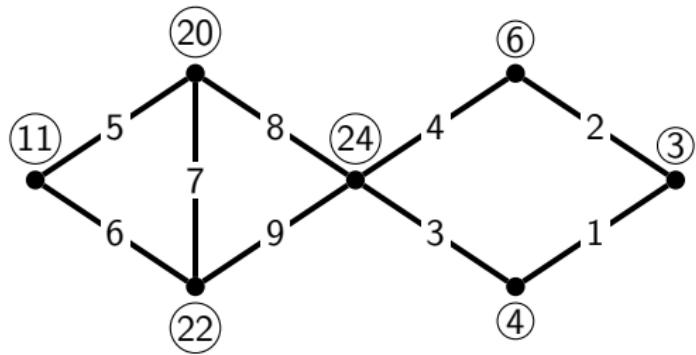
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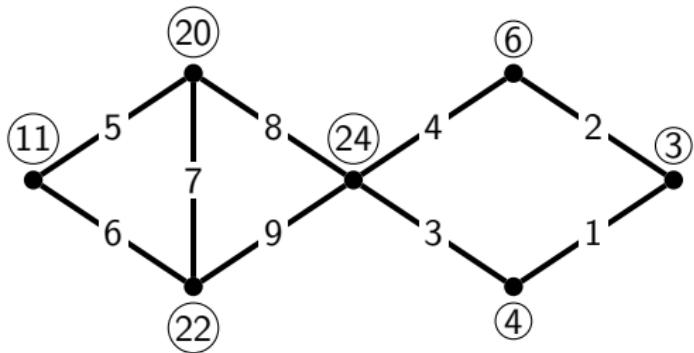
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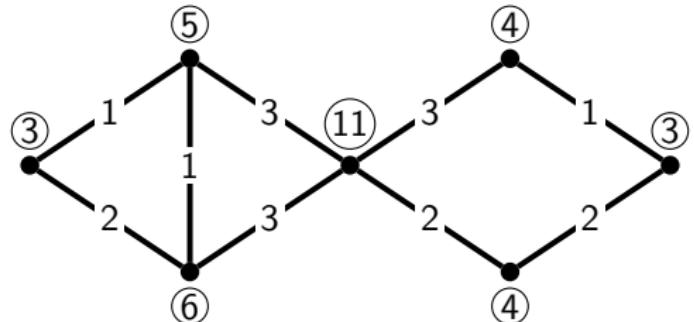


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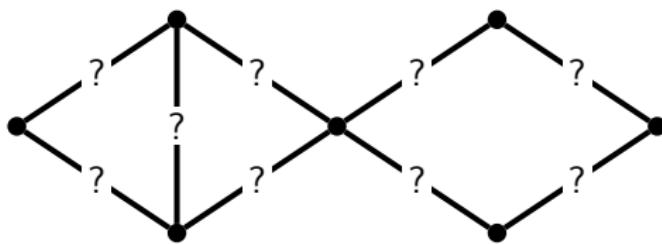
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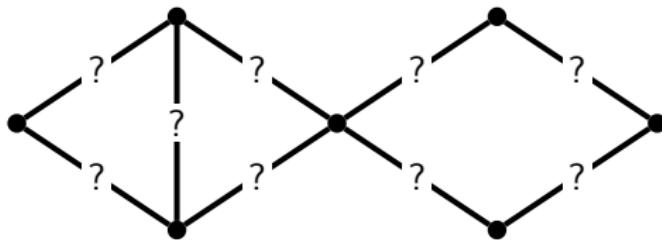
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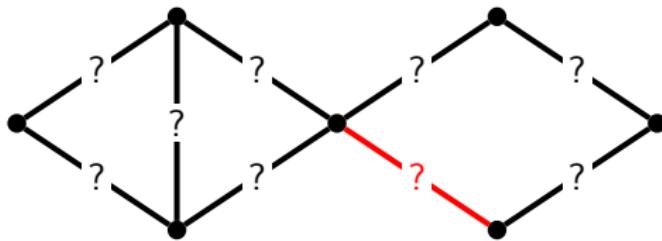
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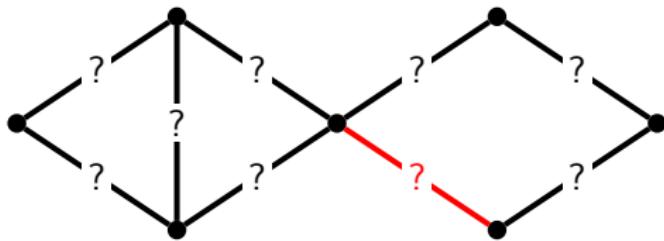
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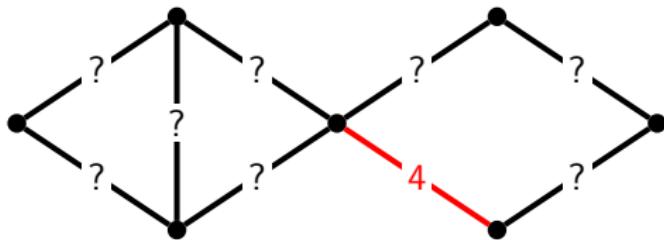
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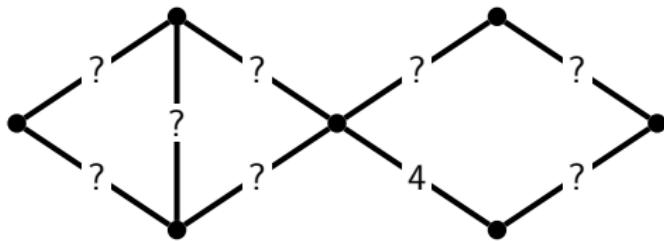
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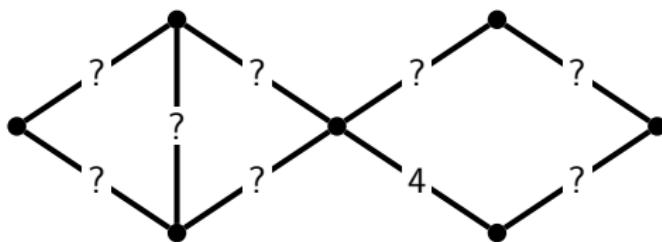
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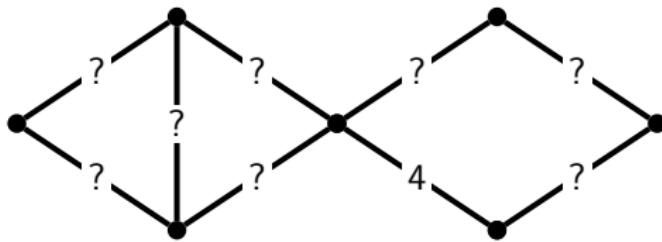
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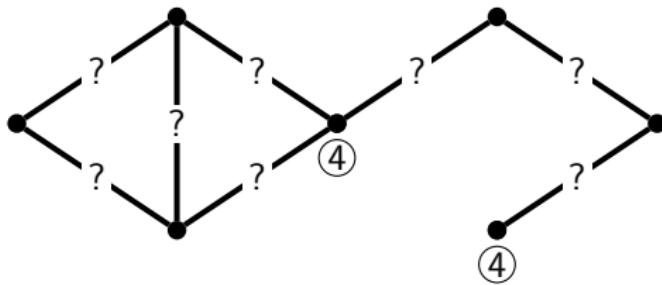
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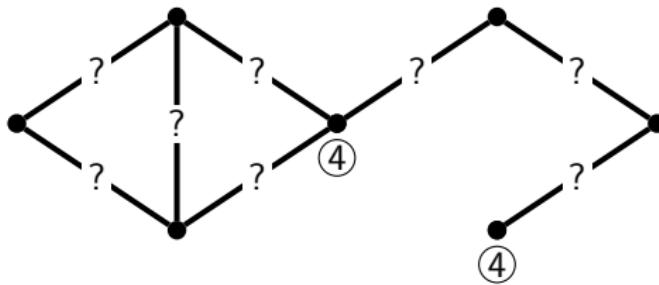
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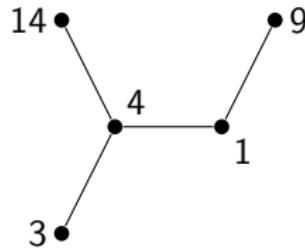
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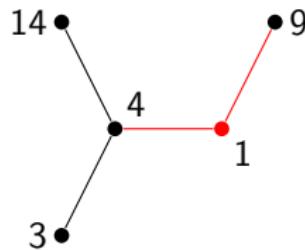
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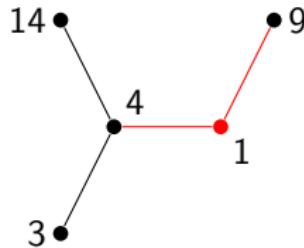
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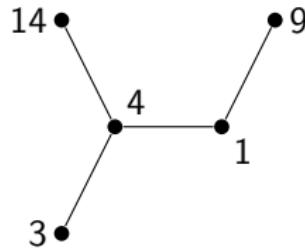
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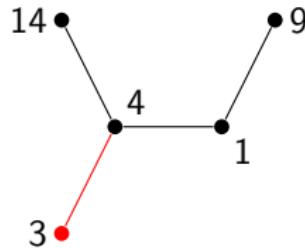
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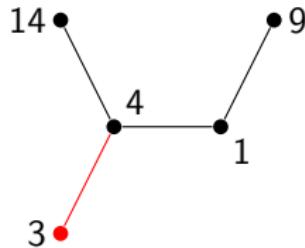
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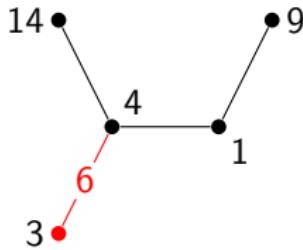


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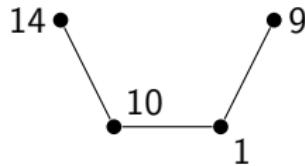
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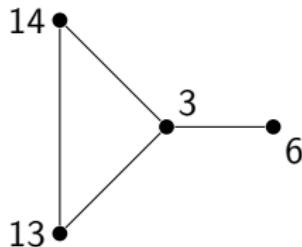
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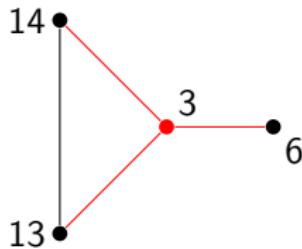
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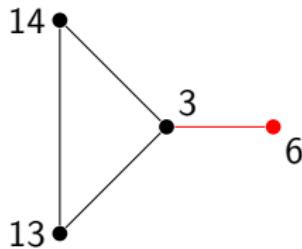
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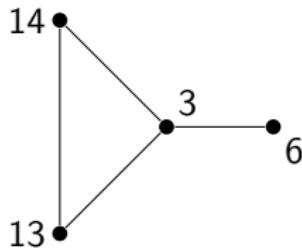
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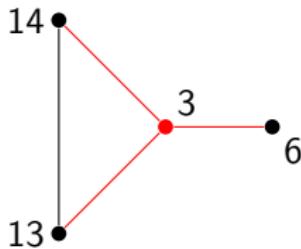
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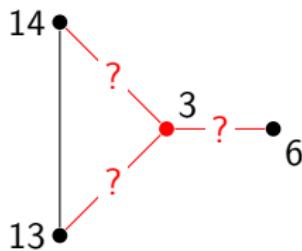
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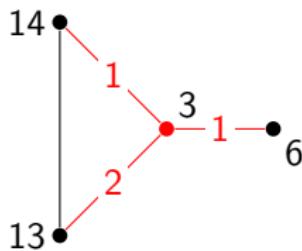
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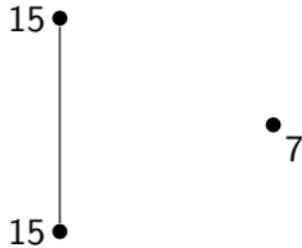
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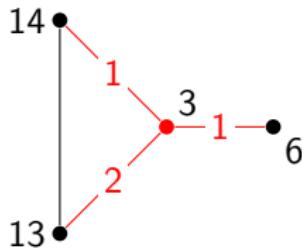


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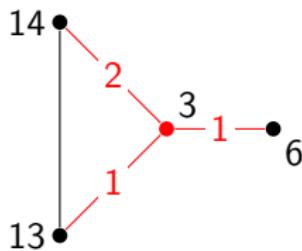
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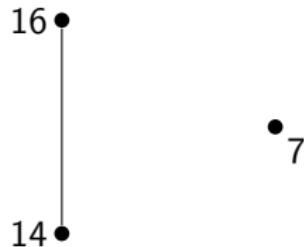
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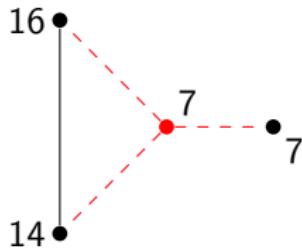
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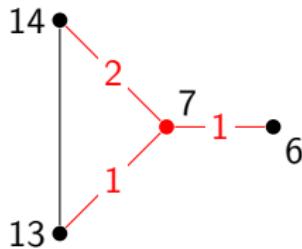


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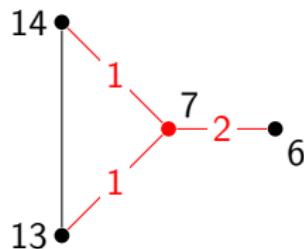


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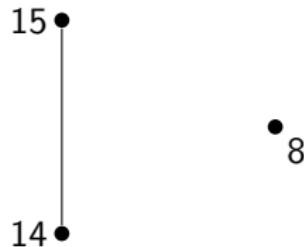
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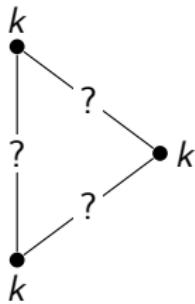


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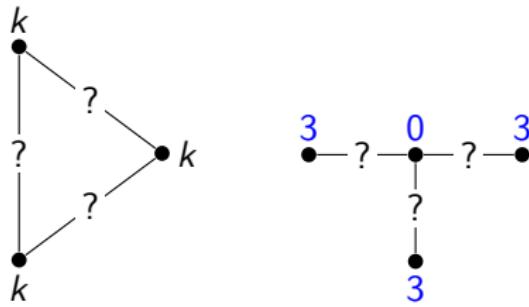
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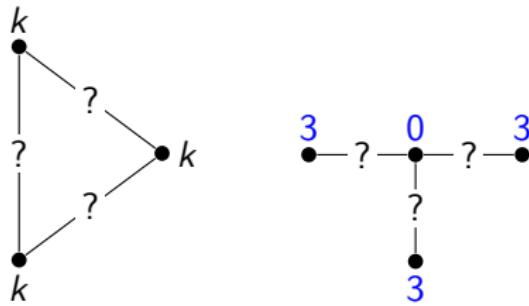
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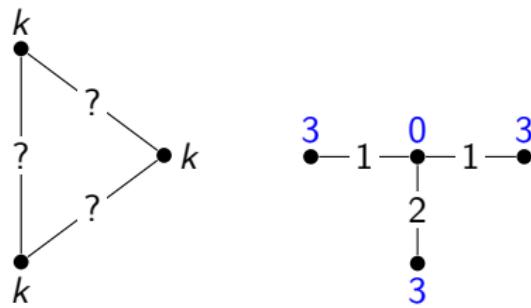
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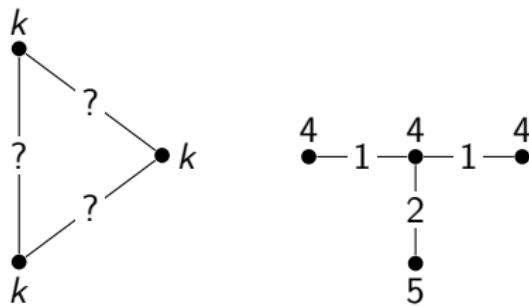
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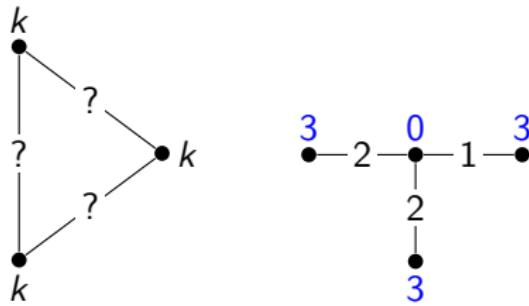
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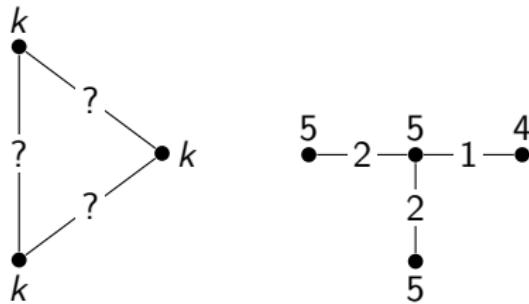
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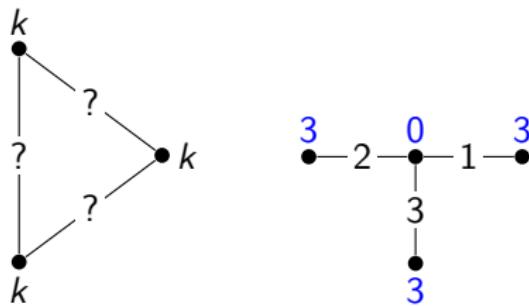
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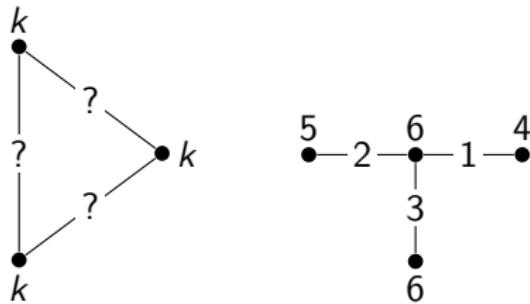
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