# 4-5 Polyhedral Groups (I)

(Tetrahedron)

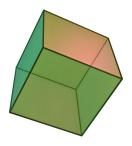
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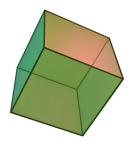
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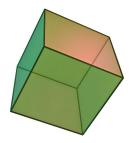
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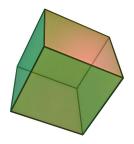


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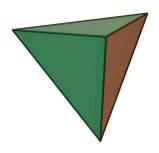


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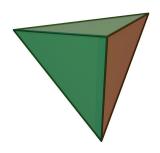
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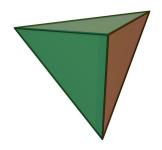
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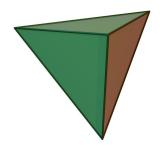


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 (1 2)  $\notin Sym(T)$ 

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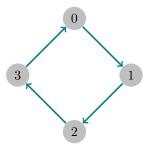
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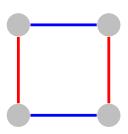
$$|H| = \begin{cases} 1: & \text{id} \quad (\# = 1) \\ 2: & \langle r_1 \rangle, \langle r_2 \rangle, \langle r_3 \rangle \quad (\# = 3) \\ 3: & \langle \rho_1 \rangle, \langle \rho_2 \rangle, \langle \rho_3 \rangle, \langle \rho_4 \rangle \quad (\# = 4) \\ 4: & \{1, r_1, r_2, r_3\} \cong K_4 \quad (\# = 1) \\ 6: & (\# = 0) \\ 12: & A_4 \quad (\# = 1) \end{cases}$$

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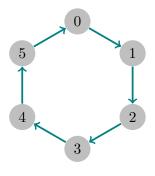


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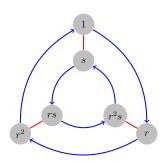
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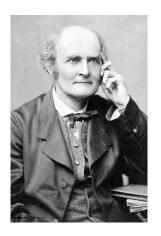
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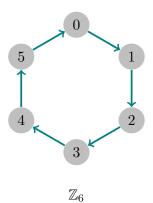
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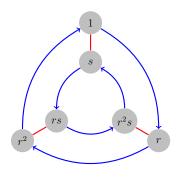
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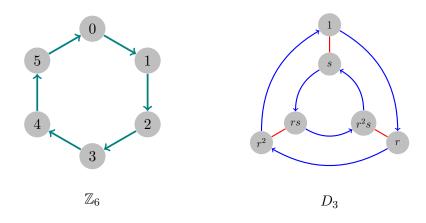


Arthur Cayley (1821 – 1895)





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 $\Gamma(G, S)$ , S is a generating set

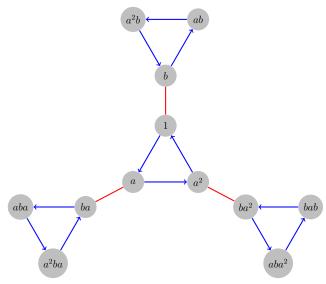
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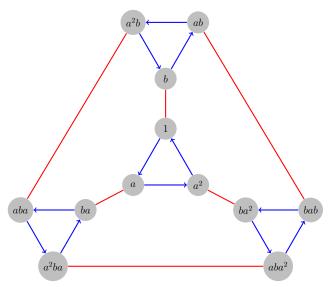
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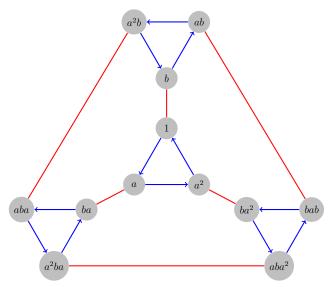


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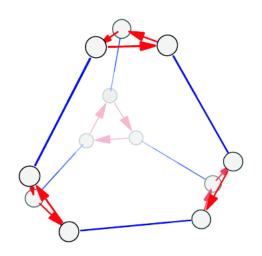
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