

Graph identification problems

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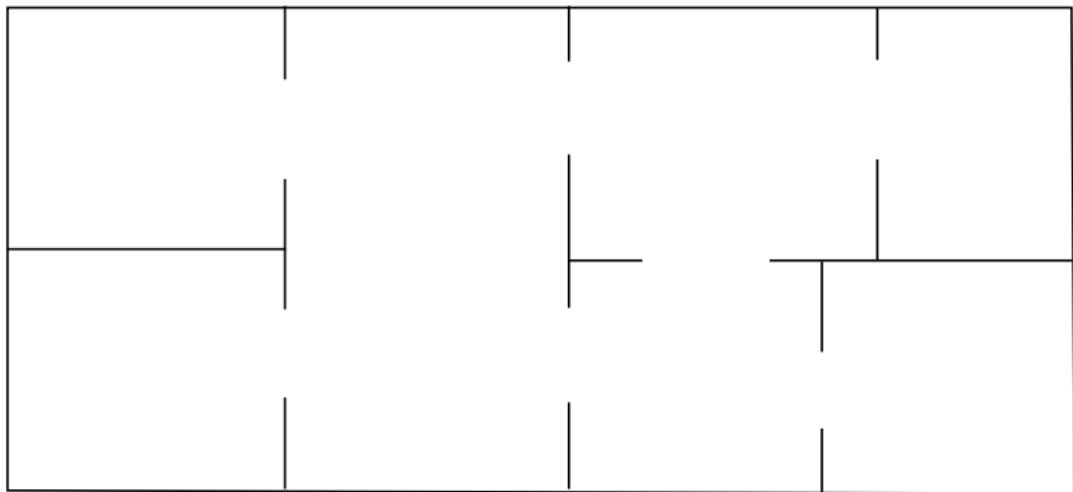




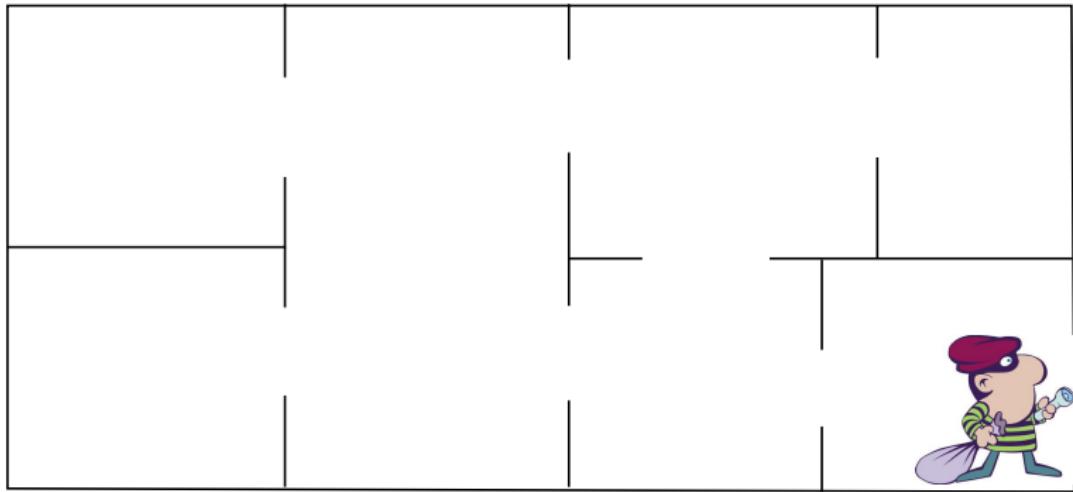




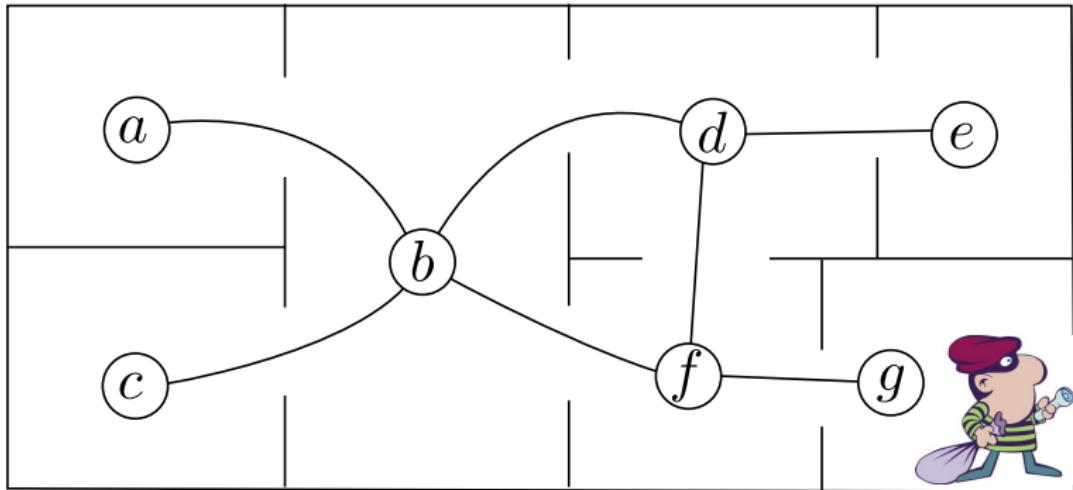
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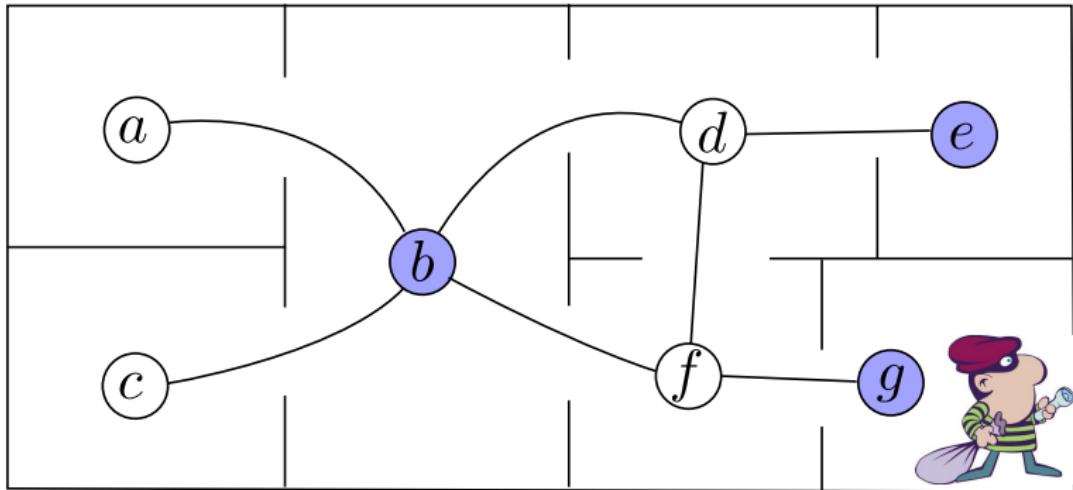
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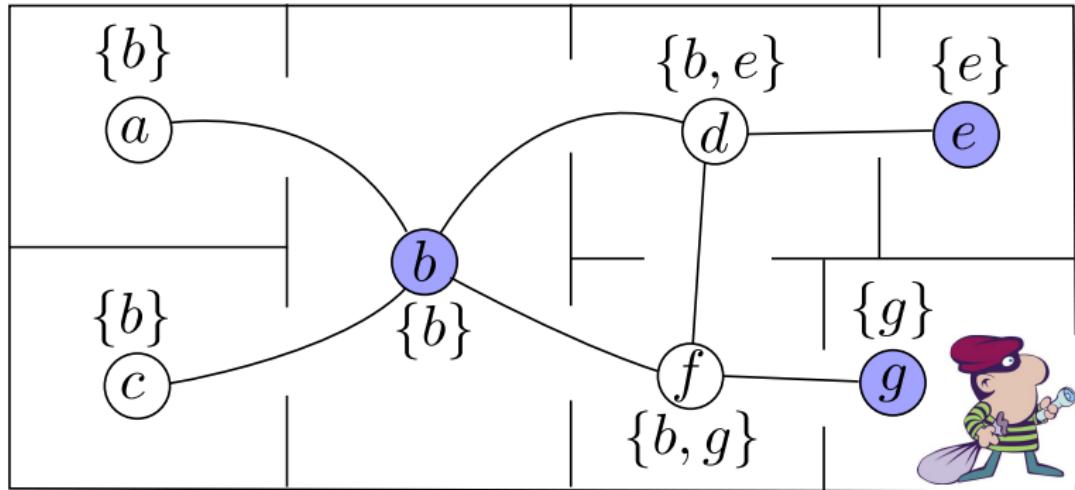


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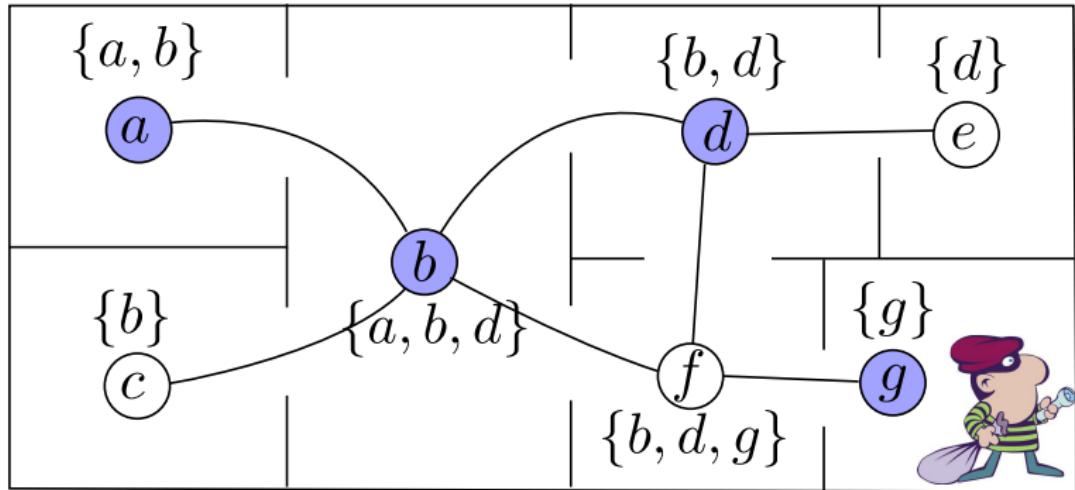
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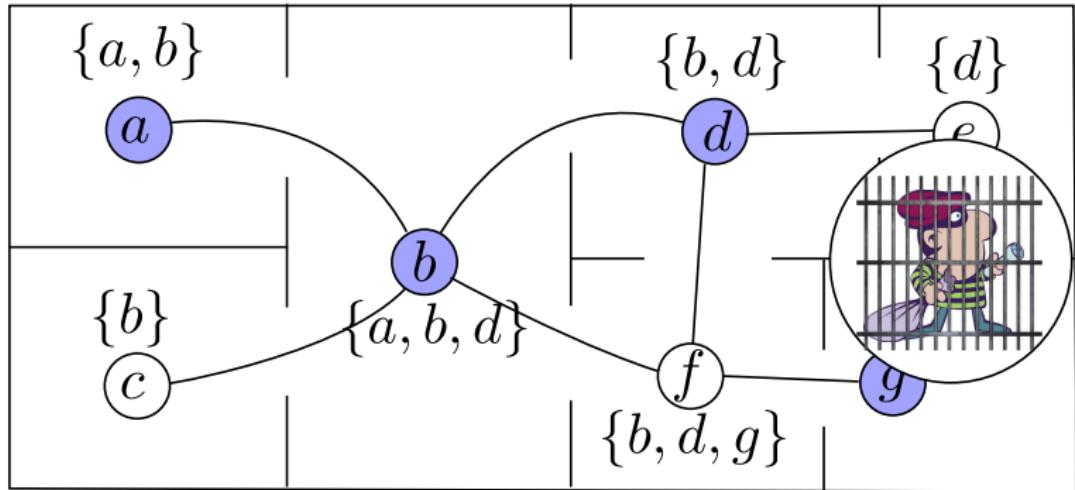
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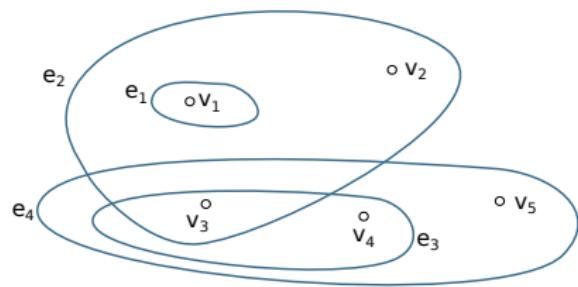
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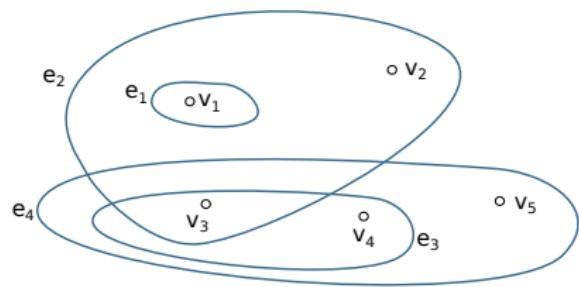
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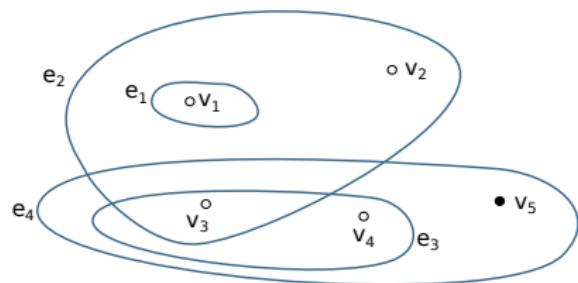
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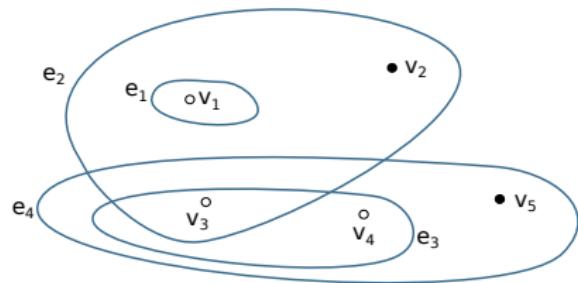
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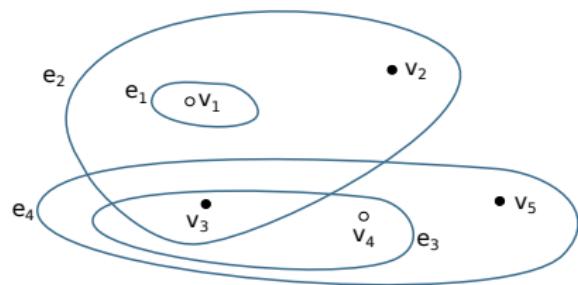
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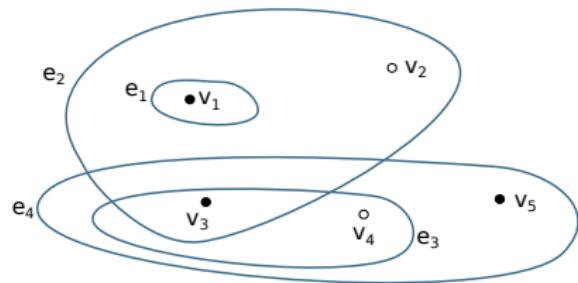
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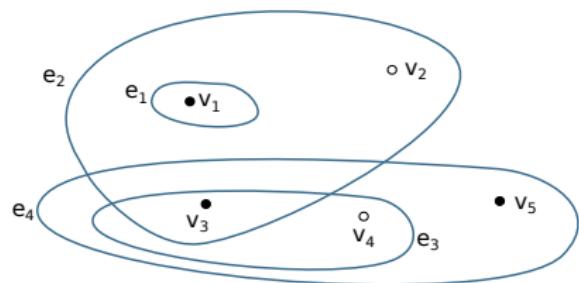
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Also known as Separating system, Distinguishing set, Test cover, Distinguishing transversal, Discriminating code...

- network-monitoring, fault detection (burglar)
- medical diagnostics: testing samples for diseases (*test cover*)
- biological identification (attributes of individuals)
- learning theory: teaching dimension
- machine learning: V-C dimension (Vapnik, Červonenkis, 1971)
- graph isomorphism: canonical representation of graphs (Babai, 1982)
- logic definability of graphs (Kim, Pikhurko, Spencer, Verbitsky, 2005)

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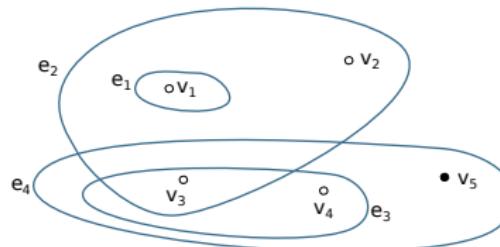
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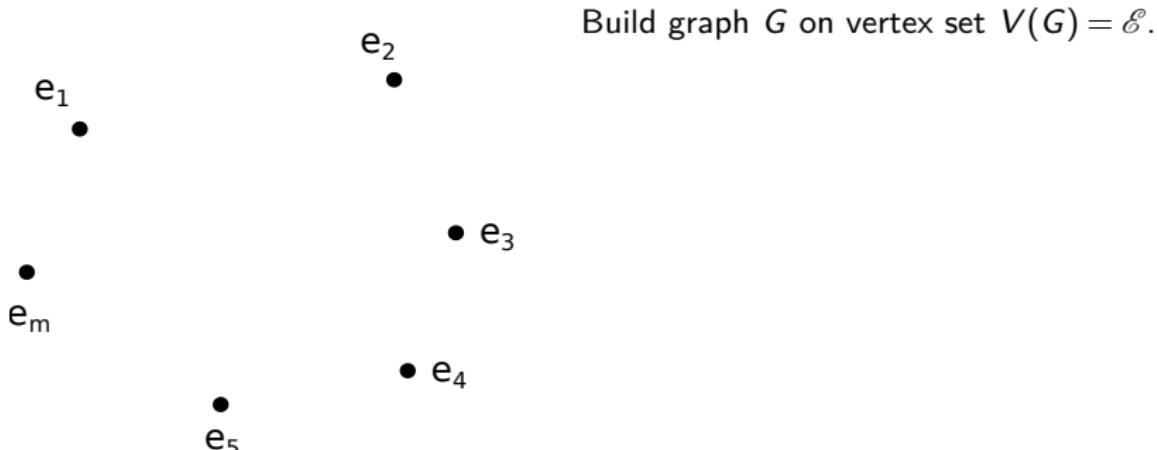
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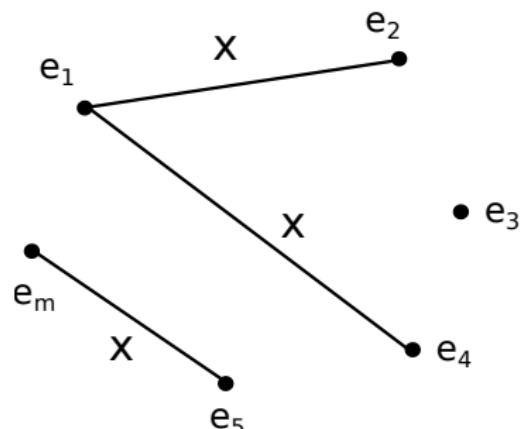
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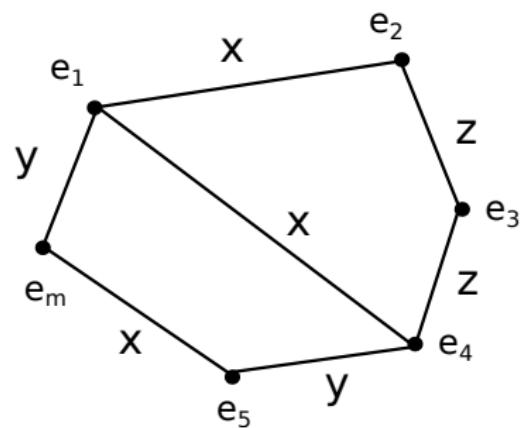
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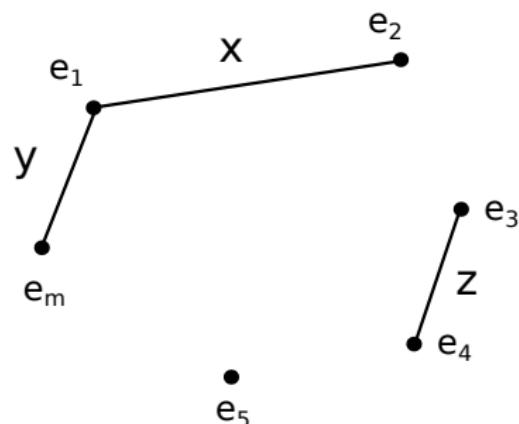
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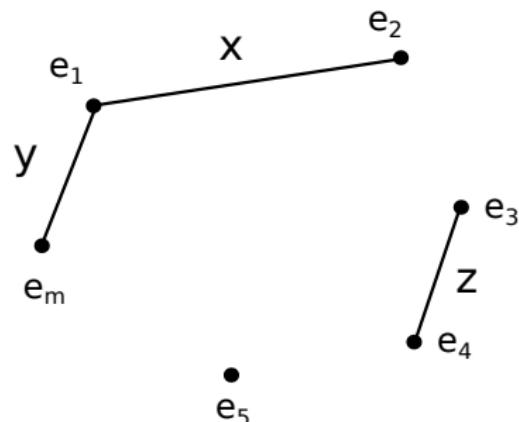
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Distance-based identification:

- **resolving sets** (metric dimension)
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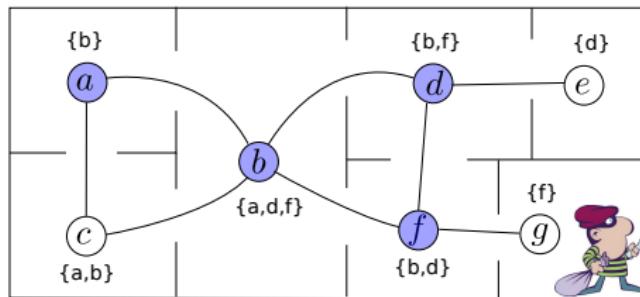
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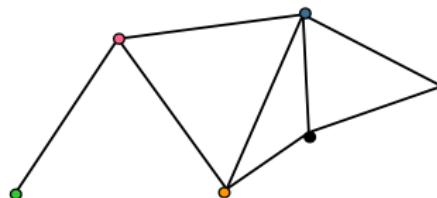


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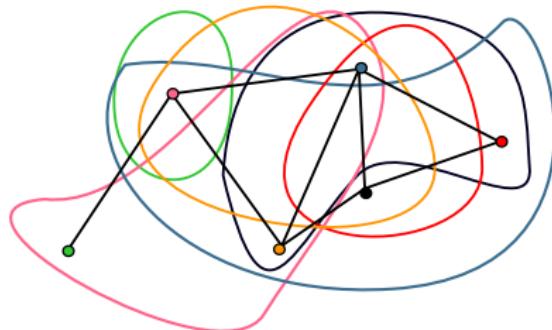
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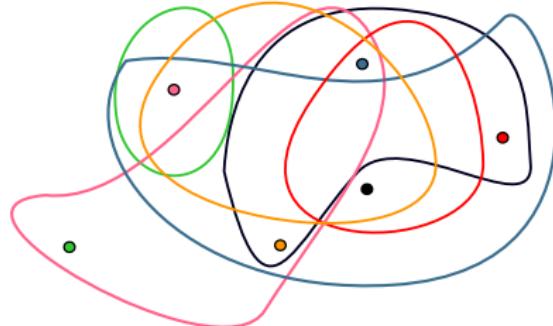
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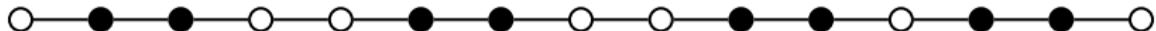


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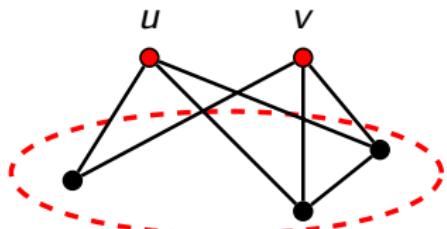
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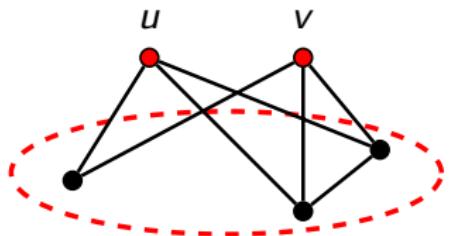


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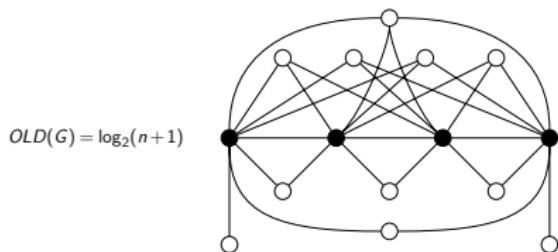
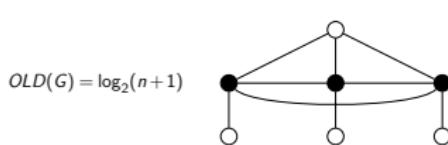
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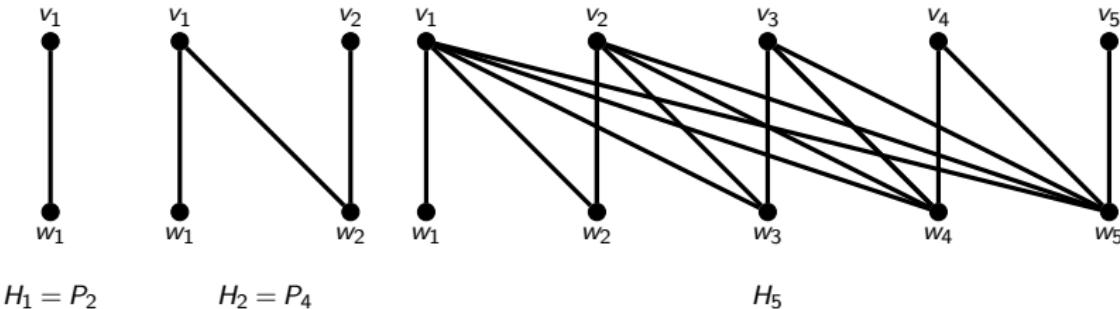
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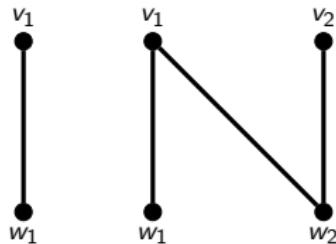
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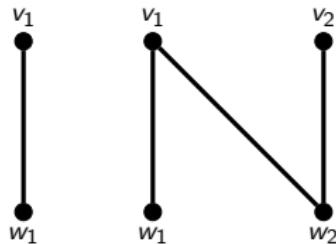
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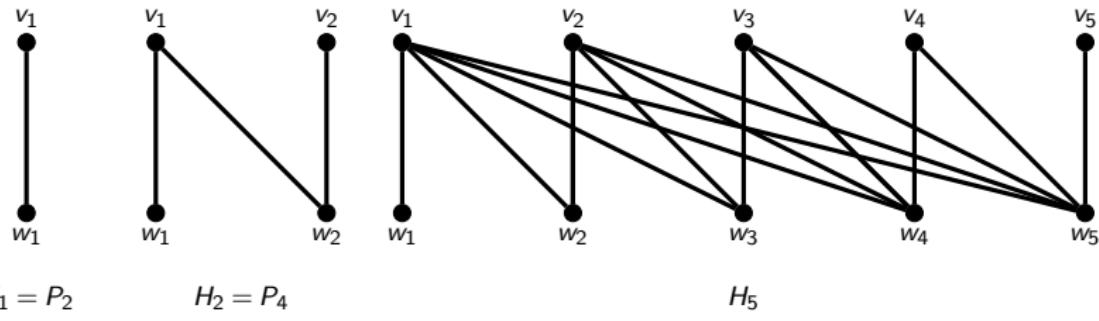
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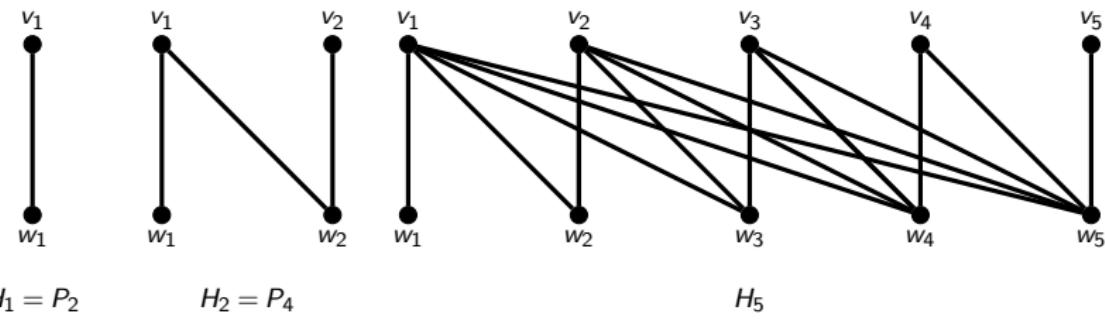


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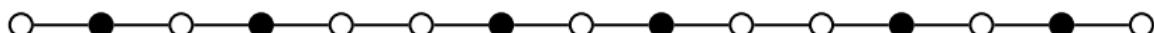
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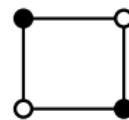
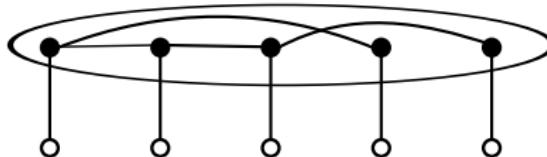


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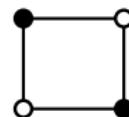
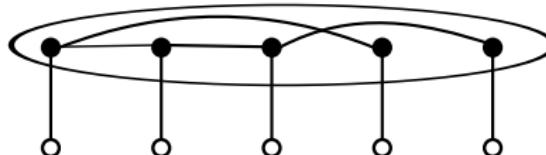


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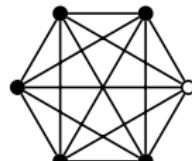
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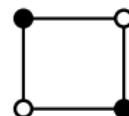
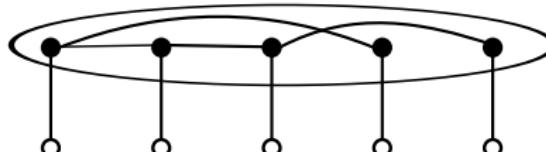


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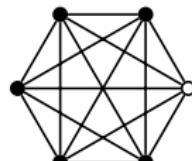
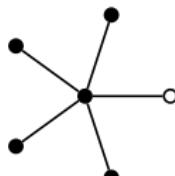
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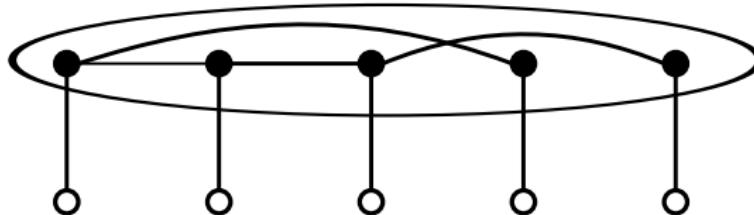
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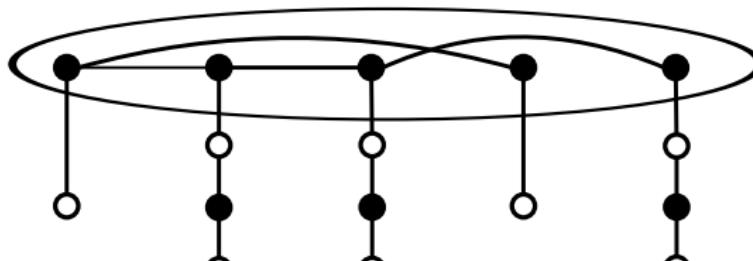
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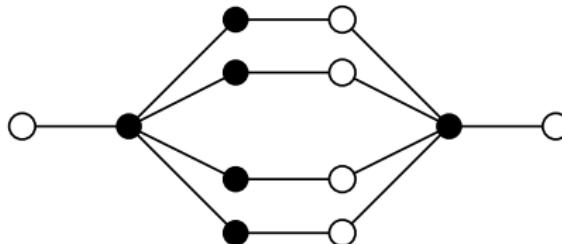
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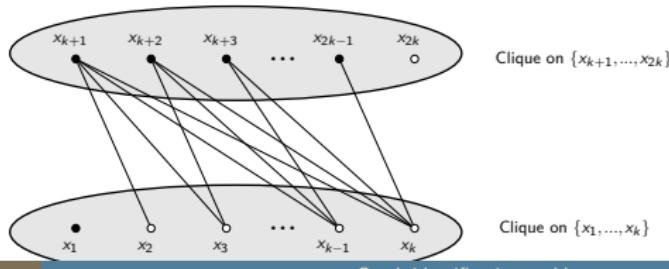
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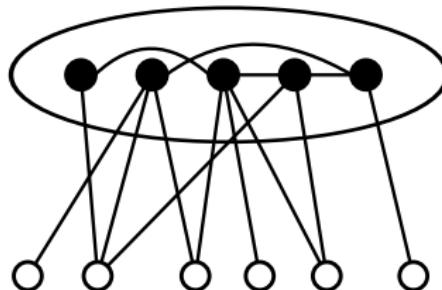
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Conjecture true if G has independence number $\geq n/2$.
(in particular, if bipartite)

Proof: every vertex cover is a locating-dominating set



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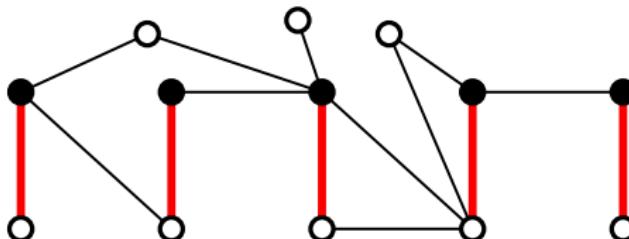
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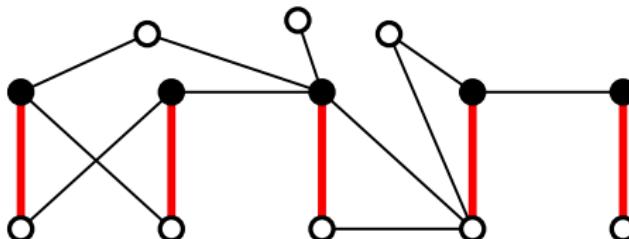
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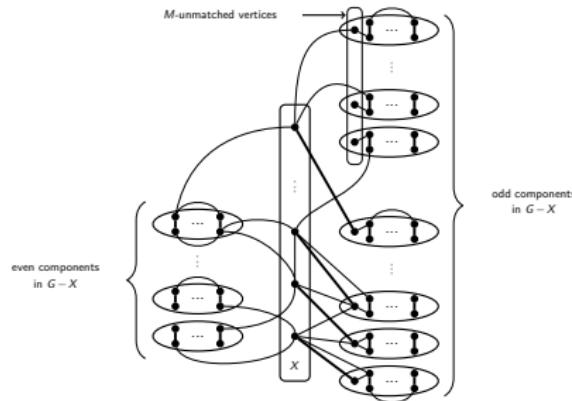
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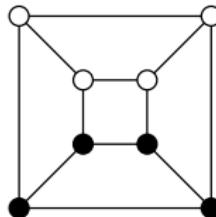
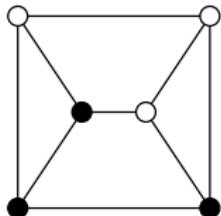
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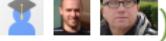
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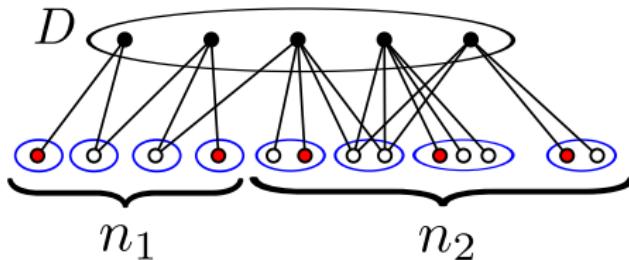
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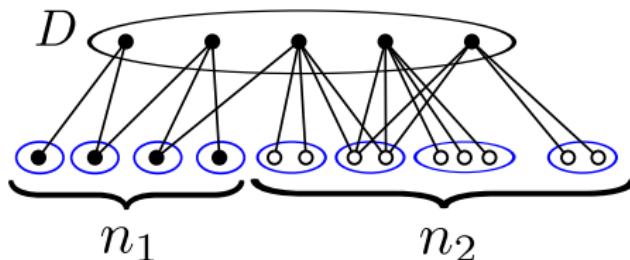
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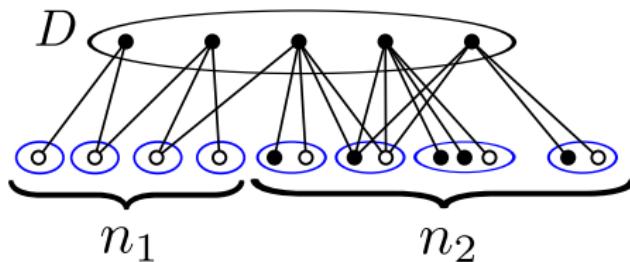
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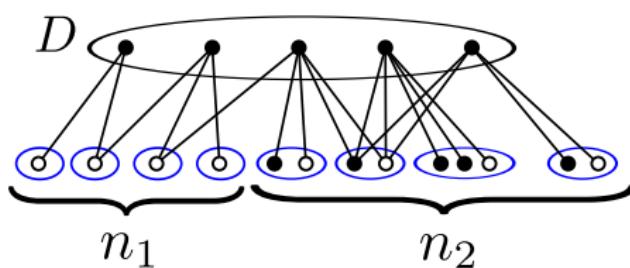
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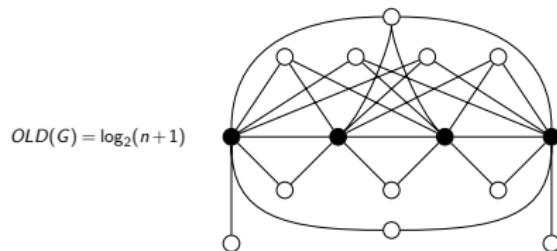
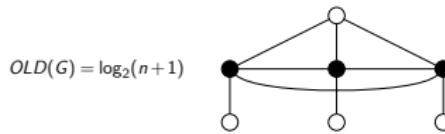
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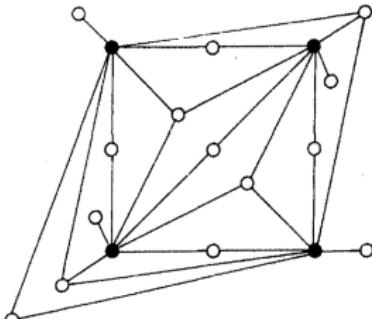
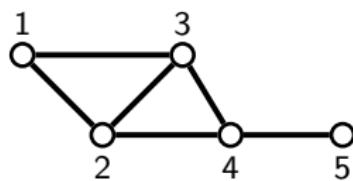
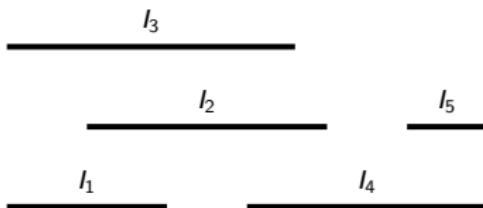


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Definition - Interval graph

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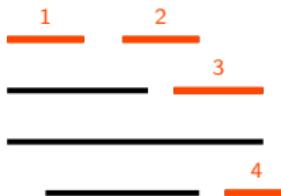
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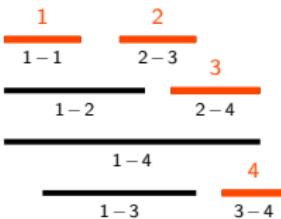
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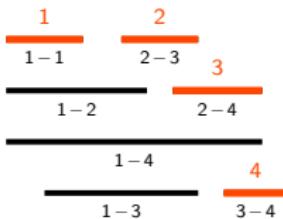


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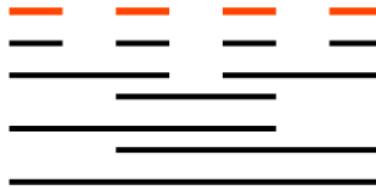
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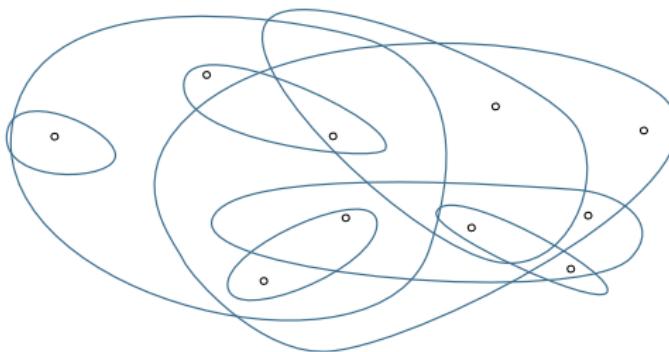
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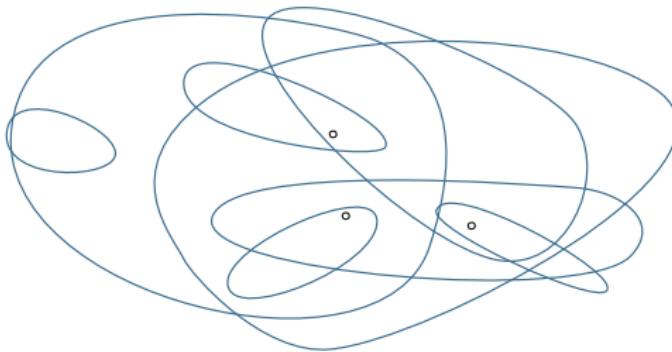
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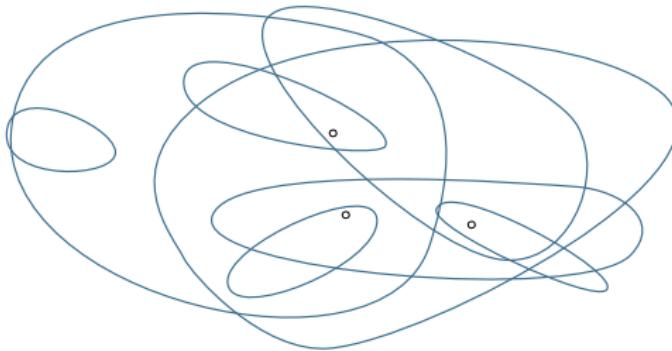
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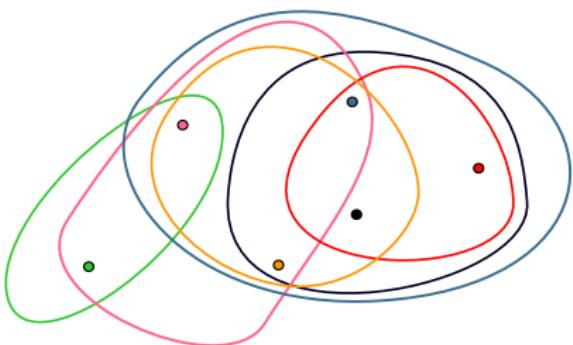
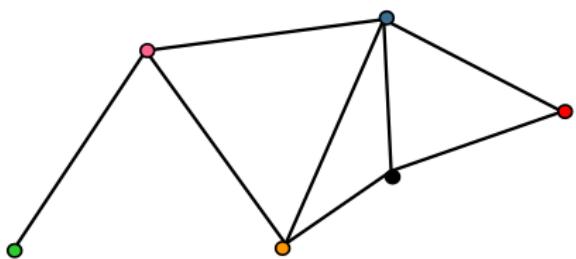
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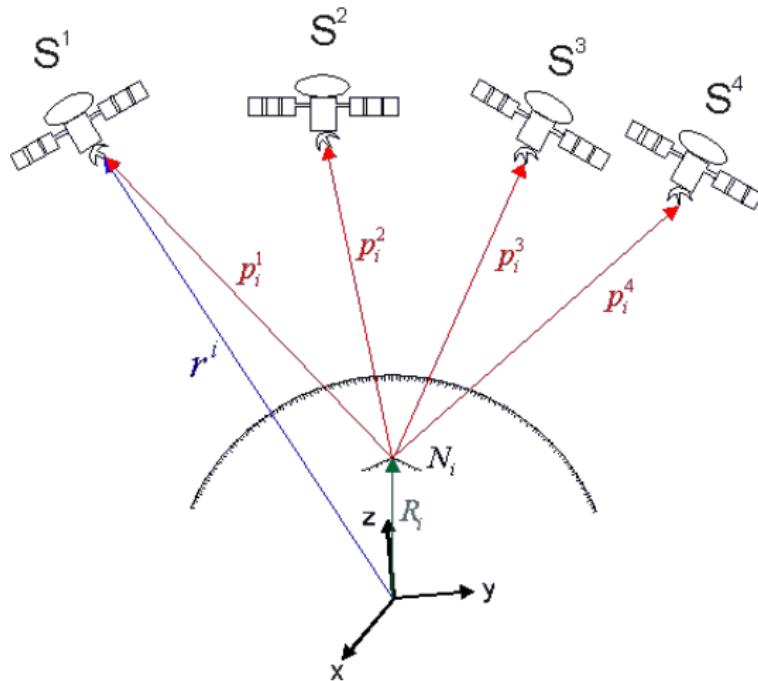
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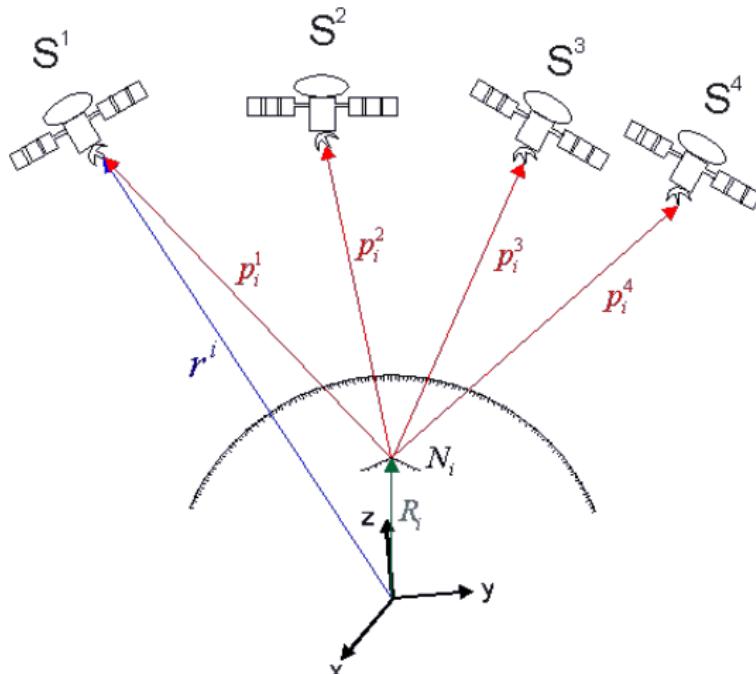
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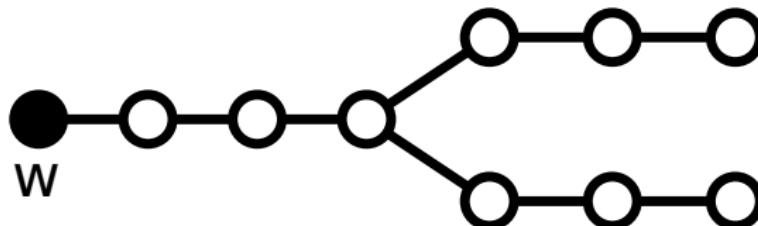
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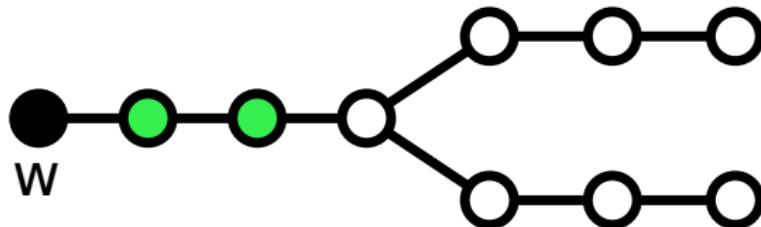
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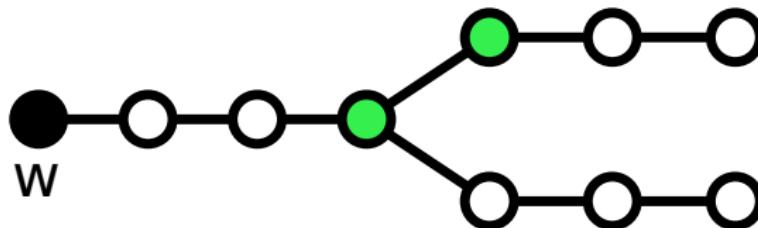
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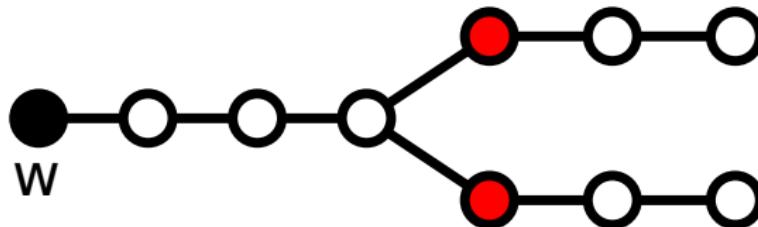
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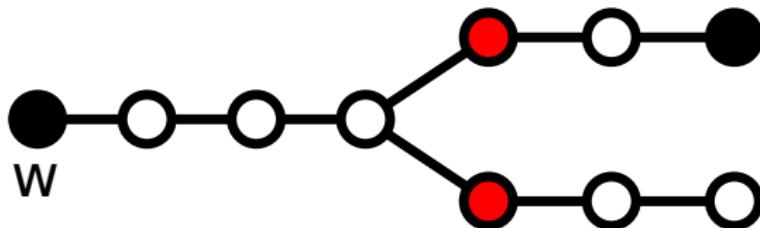
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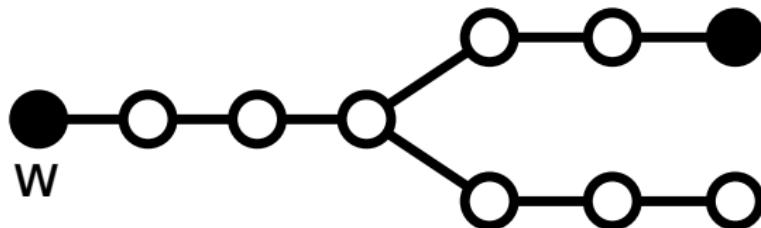
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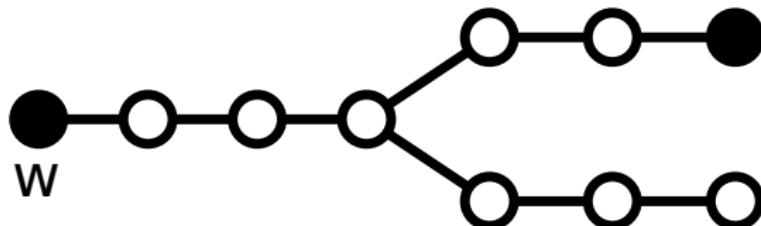
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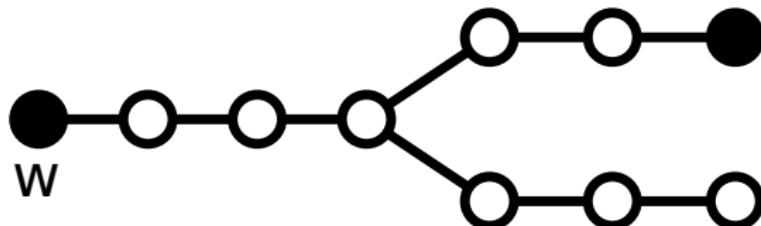
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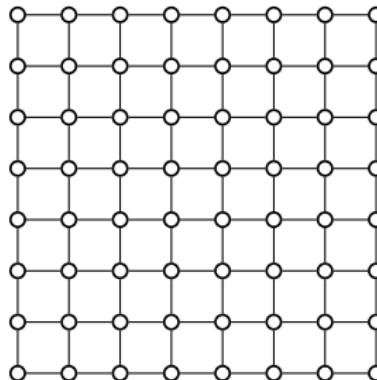
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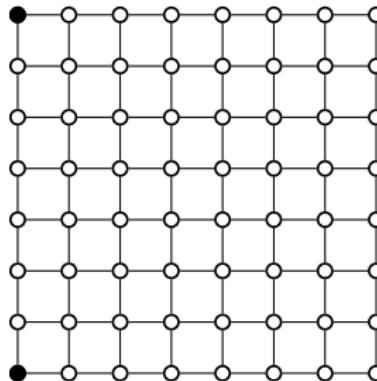


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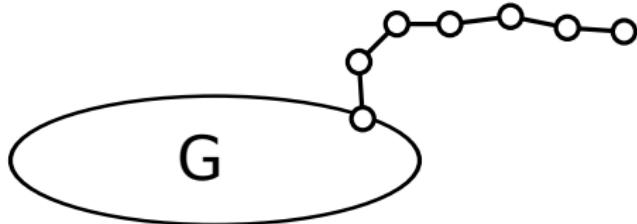


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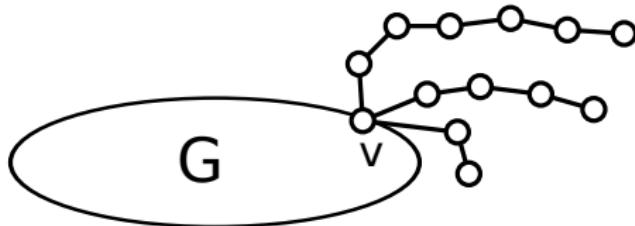
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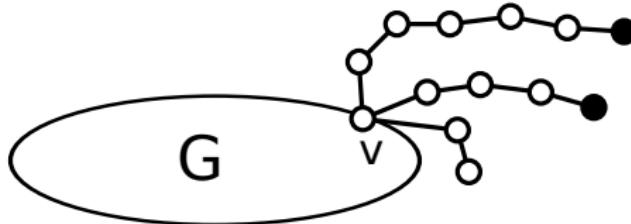
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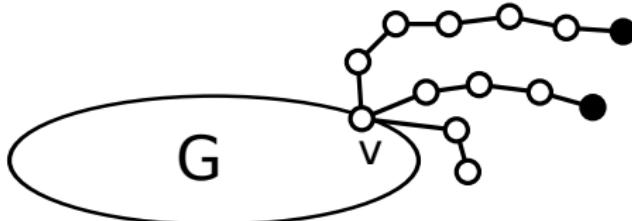
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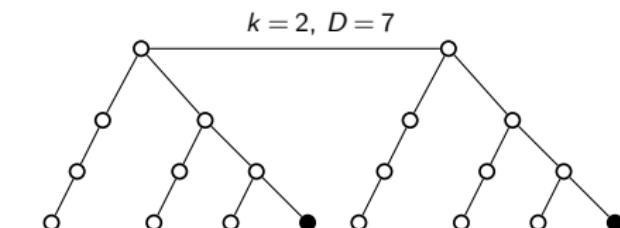
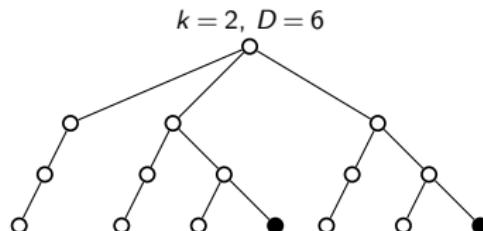


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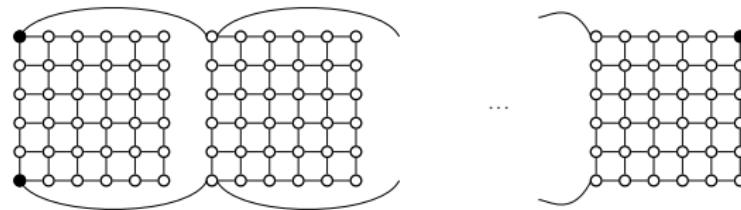
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