

Packings and Coverings

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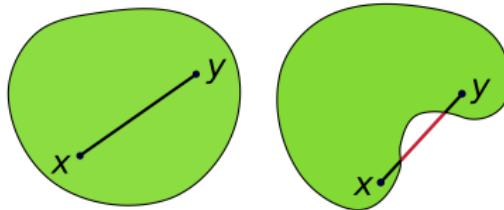
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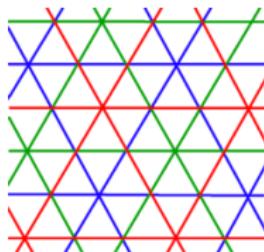
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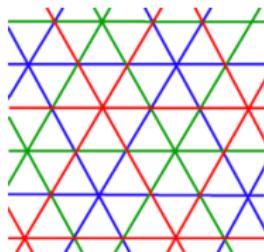
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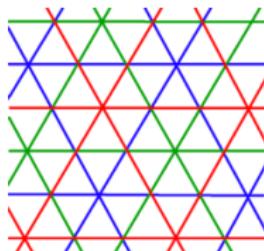
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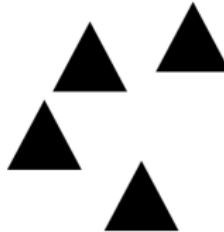
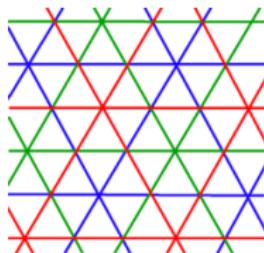
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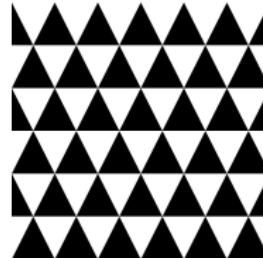
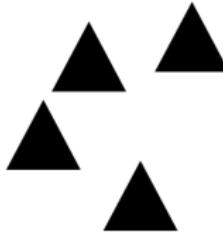
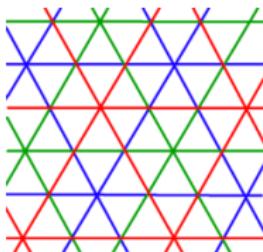
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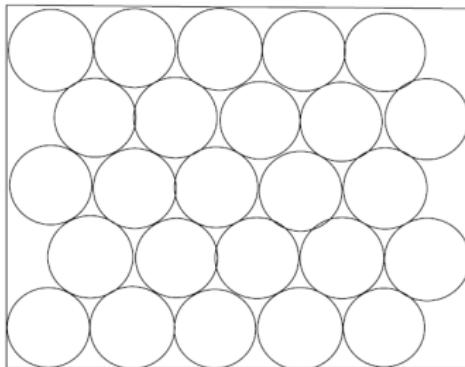


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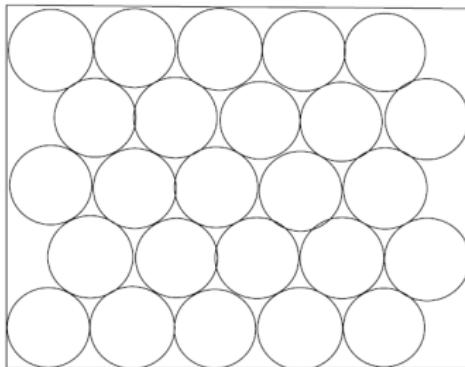
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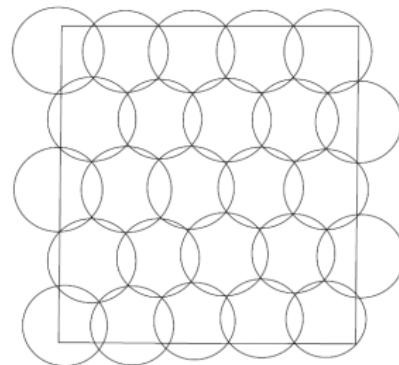
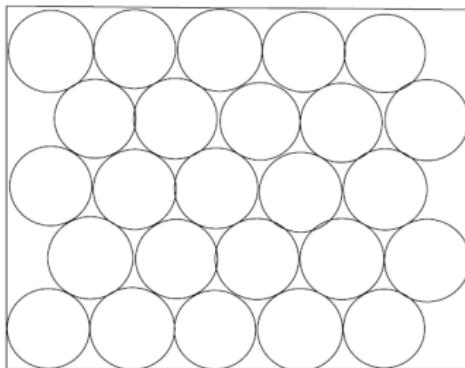
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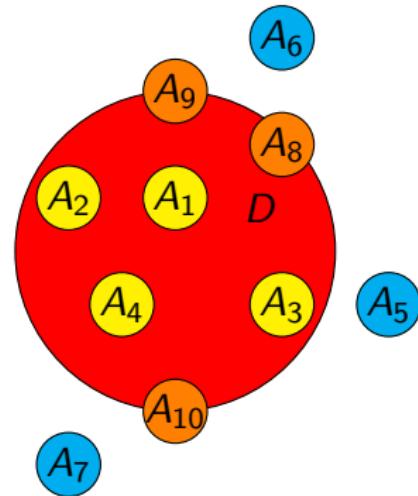
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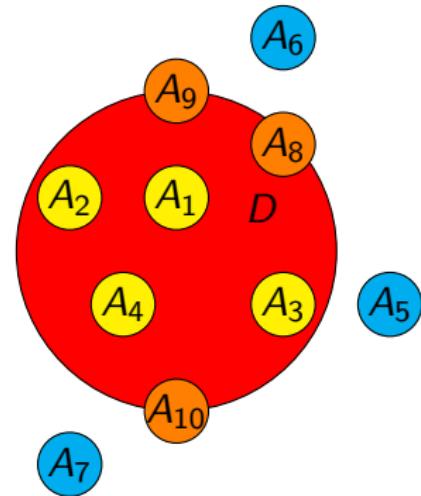
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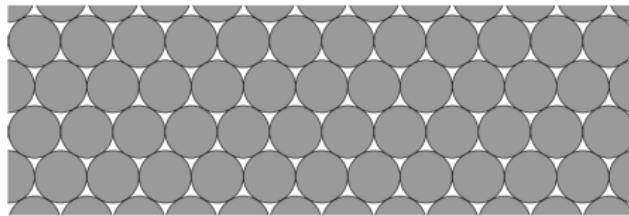


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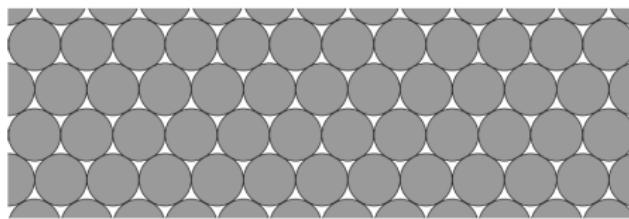


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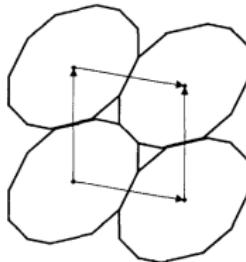


Figure: $\delta(\text{cent. sym. } n\text{-gon})$ is solvable in $O(n)$ time (Mount & Silverman, 1990)

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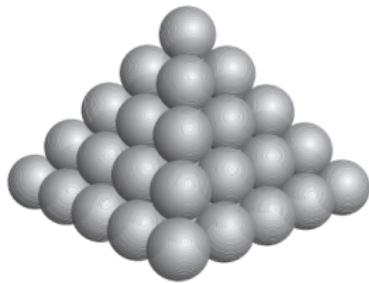


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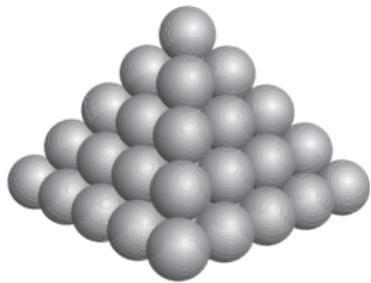


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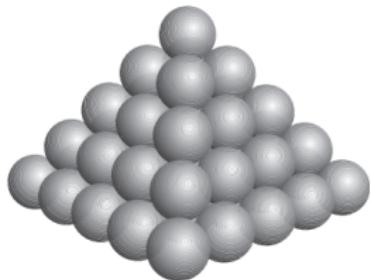


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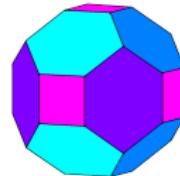
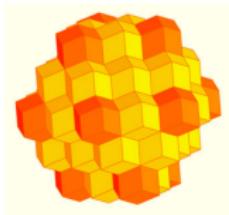


Figure: Densest packing with truncated rhombic dodecahedron (A. Bezdek, 1994)

Packing densities in higher dimensions

$$\delta(B^8) = \frac{\pi^4}{384}$$

(Cohn, Viazovska et al., 2017)

$$\delta(B^{24}) = \frac{\pi^{12}}{12!}$$

(M. Viazovska, 2017)



Convex bodies $K \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ for which $\delta_L(K)$ is known

CONVEX BODY K	$\delta_L(K)$	AUTHOR(S)
Tetrahedron	$18/49$	D.J. Hoylman (1970)
Octahedron	$18/19$	H. Minkowski (1911)
Dodecahedron	$(5 + \sqrt{5})/8$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Icosahedron	$0.8363574\dots$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Cuboctahedron	$45/49$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Icosidodecahedron	$(45 + 17\sqrt{5})/96$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Rhombic Cuboctahedron	$(16\sqrt{2} - 20)/3$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Rhombic Icosidodecahedron	$0.8047084\dots$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Truncated Cube	$9(5 - 3\sqrt{2})/7$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)
Truncated Dodecahedron	$(25 + 37\sqrt{5})/120$	U. Betke and M. Henk (2000)

Known values of $\delta_L(B^n)$ and $\theta_L(B^n)$

n	$\delta_L(B^n)$	$\theta_L(B^n)$
2	$\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}$
3	$\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{18}}$	$\frac{5\sqrt{5}\pi}{24}$
4	$\frac{\pi^2}{16}$	$\frac{2\pi^2}{5\sqrt{5}}$
5	$\frac{\pi^2}{15\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{245\sqrt{35}\pi^2}{3888\sqrt{3}}$
6	$\frac{\pi^3}{48\sqrt{3}}$?
7	$\frac{\pi^3}{105}$?
8	$\frac{\pi^4}{384}$?
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