

Decomposing Complete Graphs into Disconnected Graphs with Six Edges

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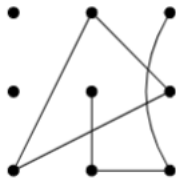
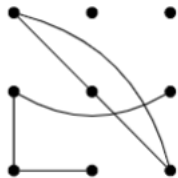
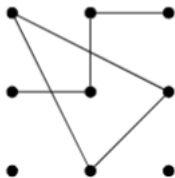
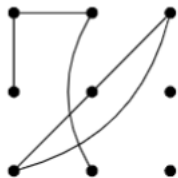
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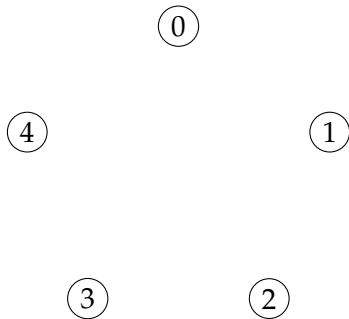


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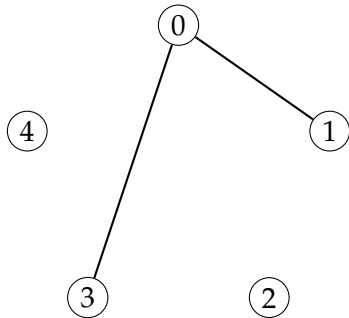
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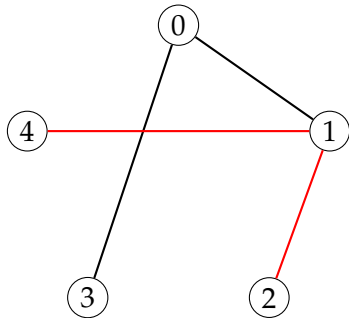


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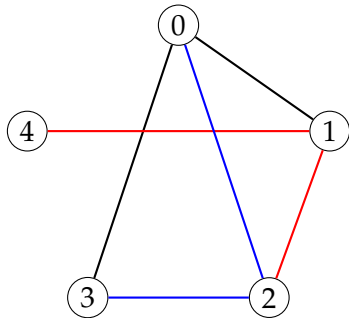
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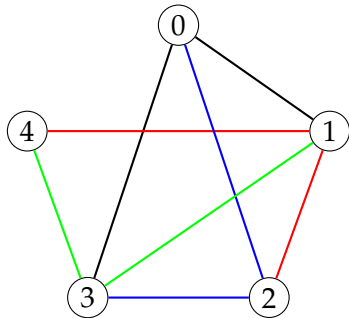
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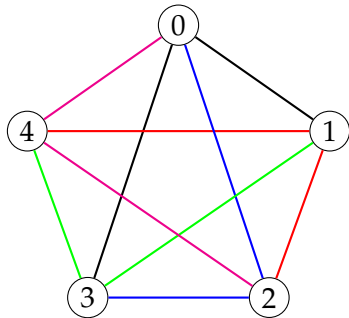
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 - ▶ Forests (F, Peters 2023+)
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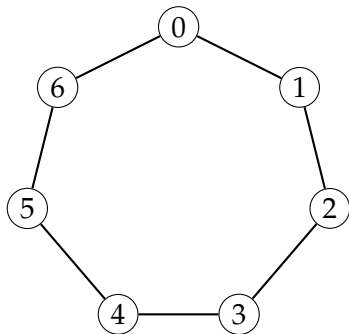
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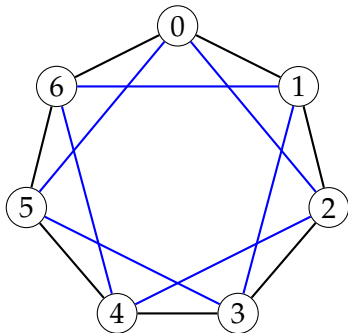


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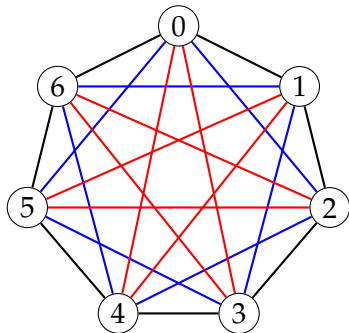


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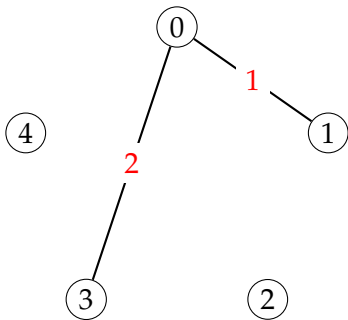
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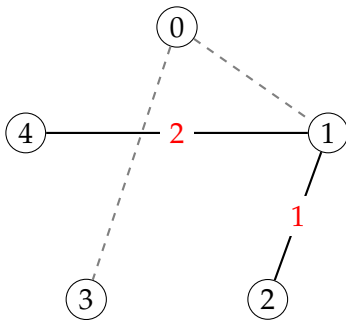
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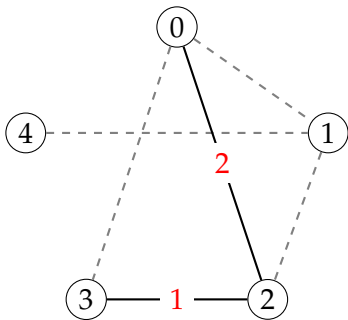
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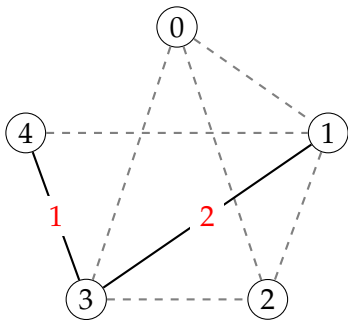
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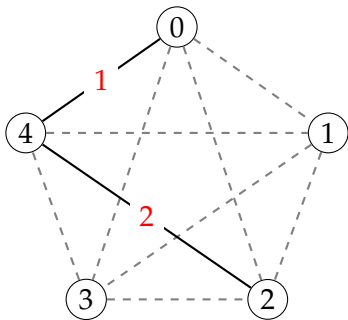
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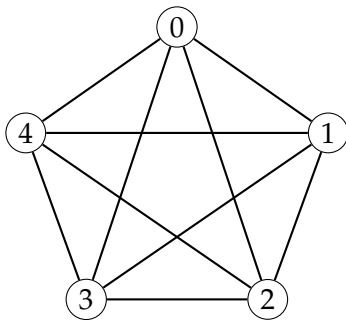
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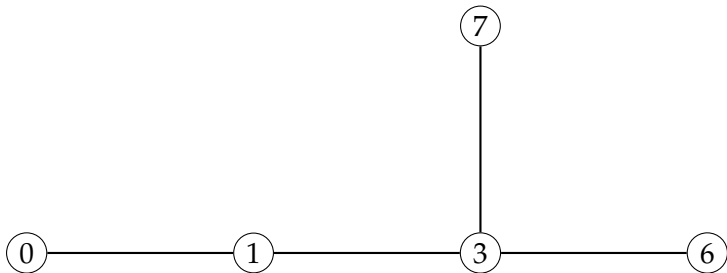
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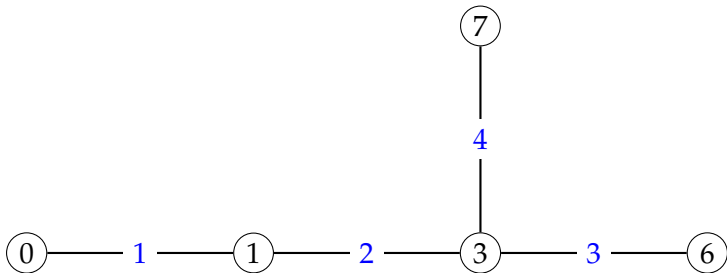
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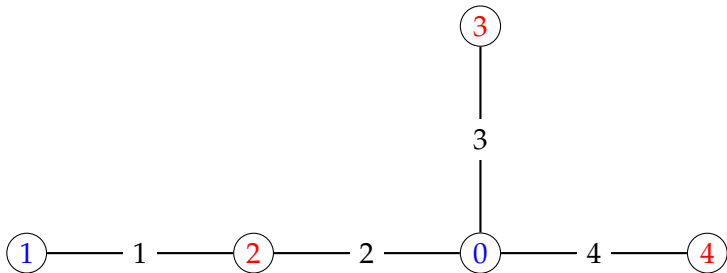
Theorem (Rosa, 1967)

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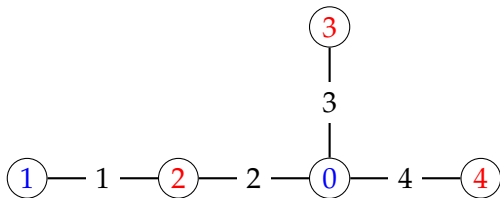
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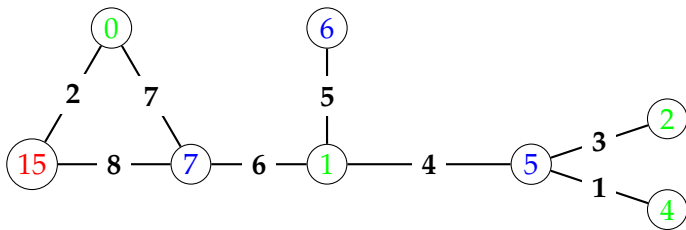
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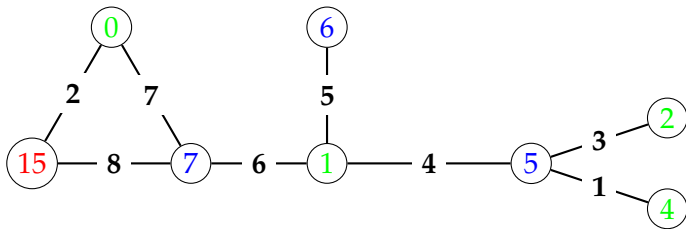
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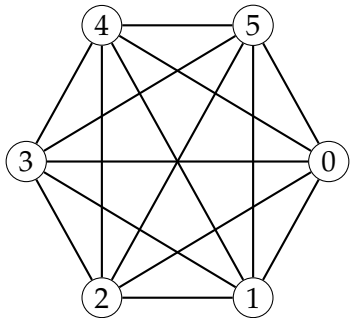
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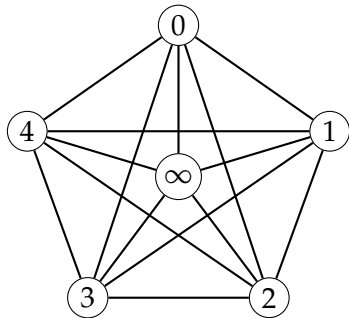
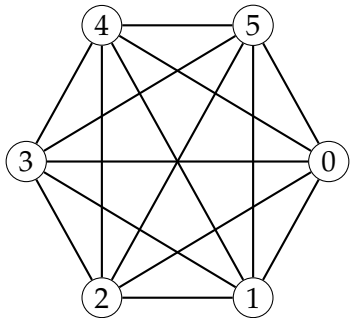
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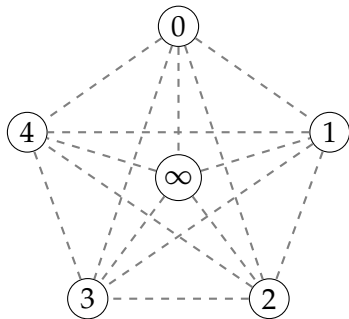
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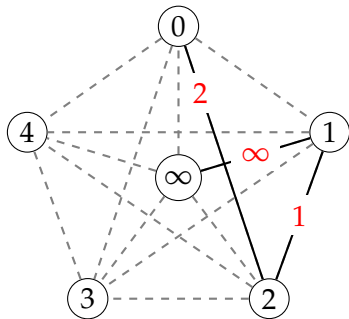
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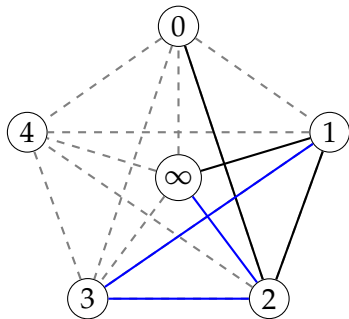
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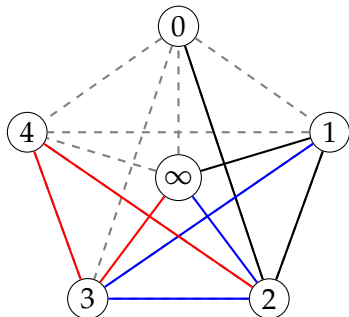
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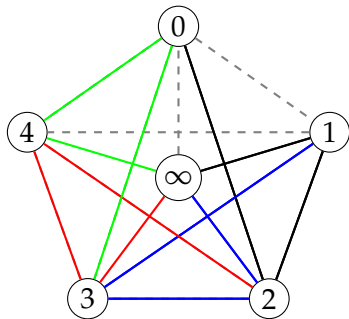
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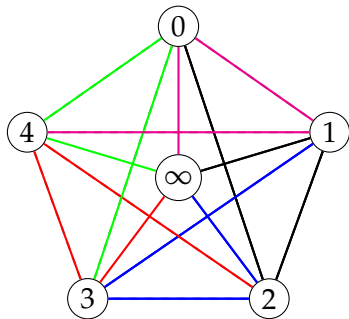
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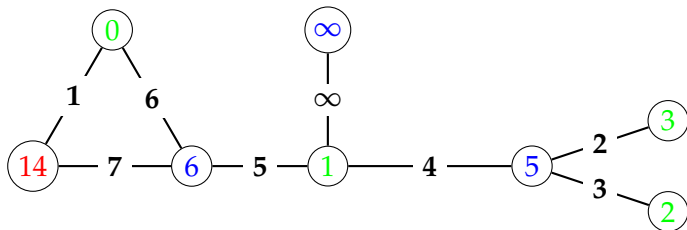
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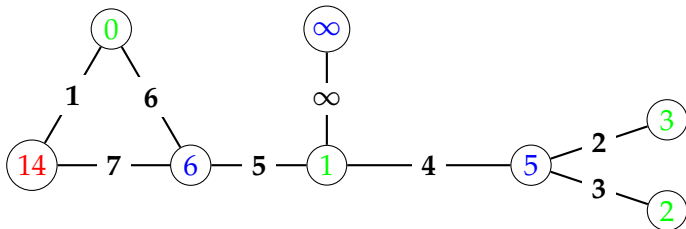
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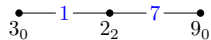
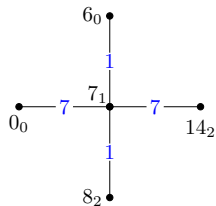
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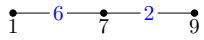
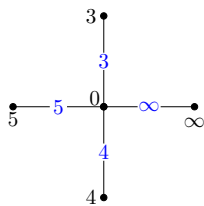
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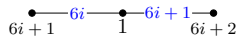
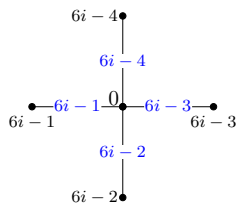
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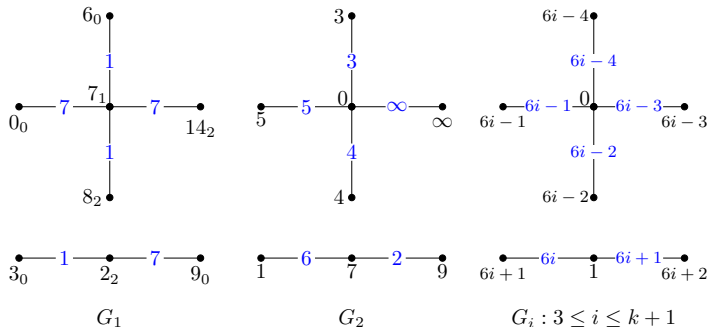


G_2



$G_i : 3 \leq i \leq k+1$

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- Click G_1 by 3 and G_i by 1 for $2 \leq i \leq k+1$ (we're working in \mathbb{Z}_{12k+3})
- Number of edges of each length $= 3 \times \frac{n-1}{3} = 1 \times (n-1) = n-1$
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- ▶ The edge set of K_n can be expressed as

$$E(K_n) = \{(i, j)(i', j') : j = j', i \neq i'\} \cup \{(i, j)(i', j') : j \neq j'\}$$

- ▶ **Intragroup edge** length defined as usual for K_{4k+3}
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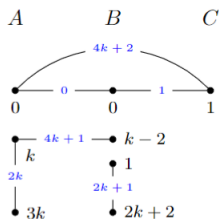
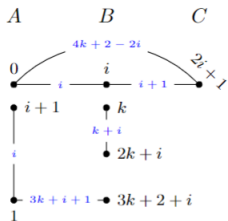
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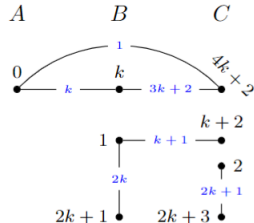
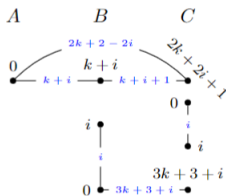
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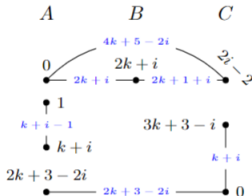
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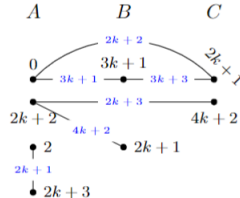
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