

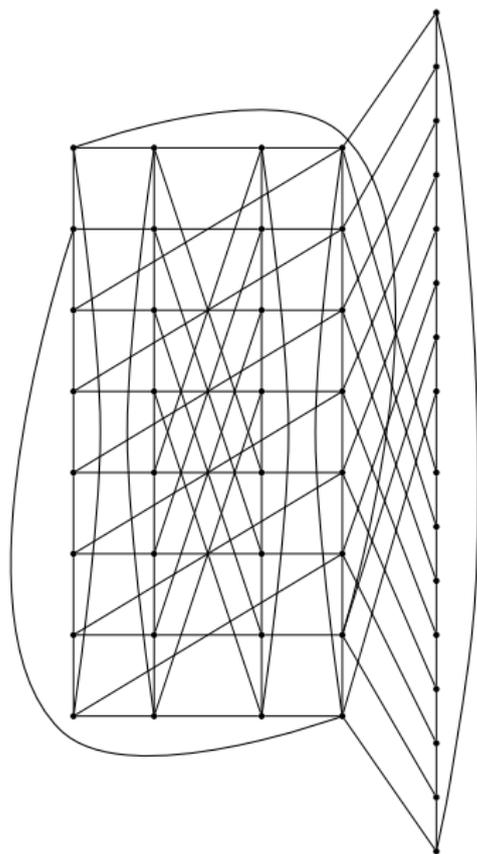
Twisted Cartesian Products

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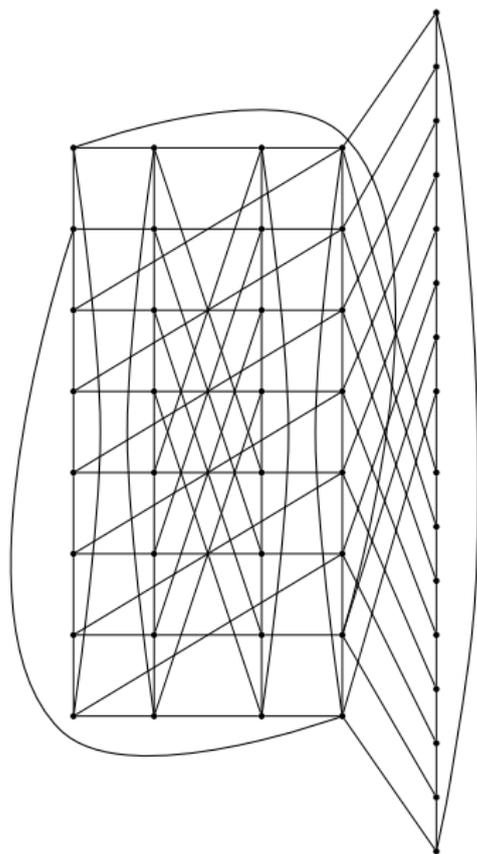
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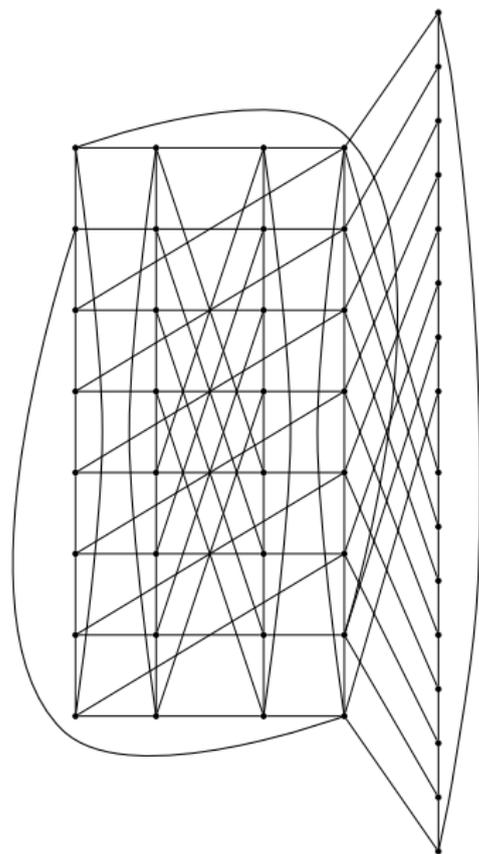
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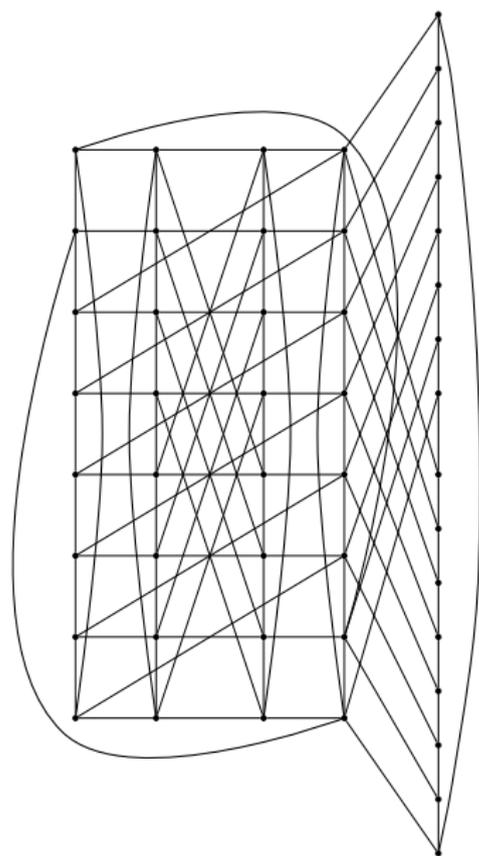
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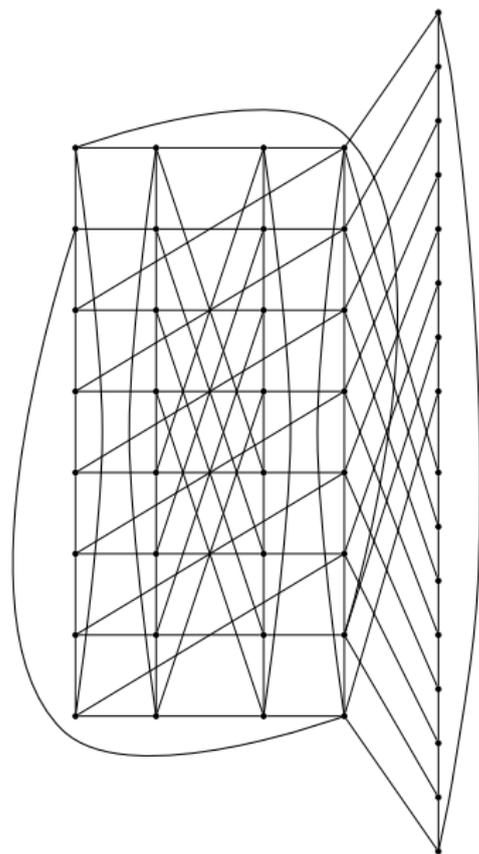
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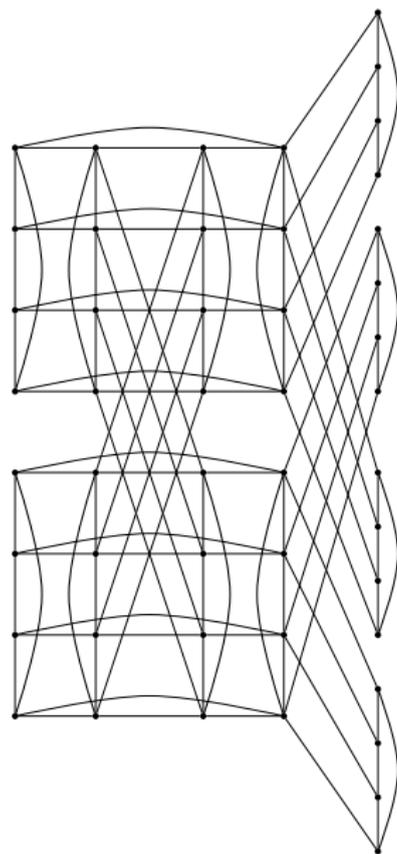
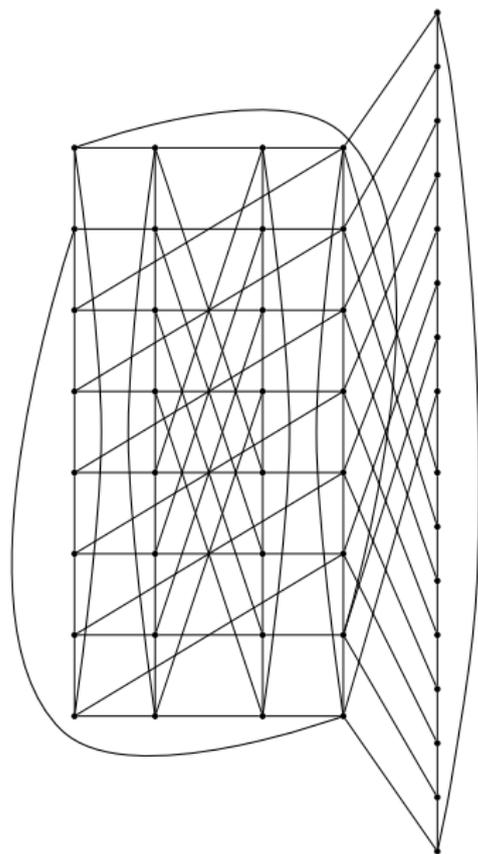
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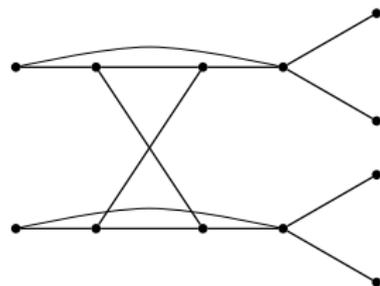
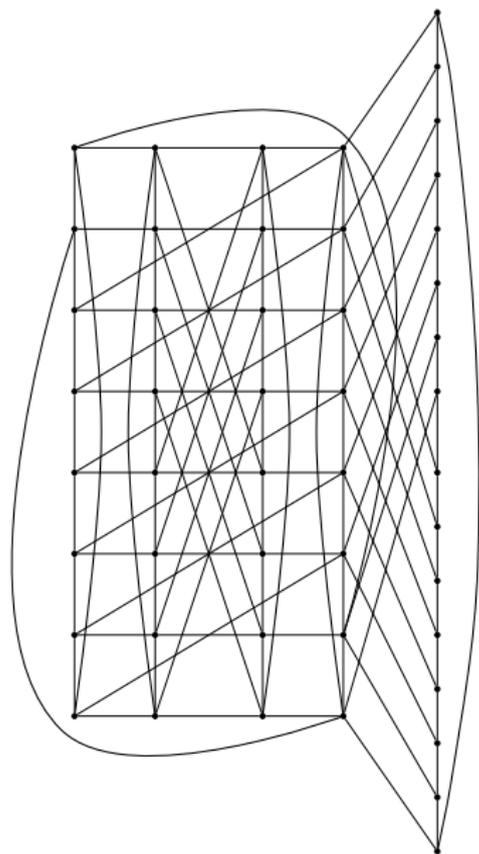


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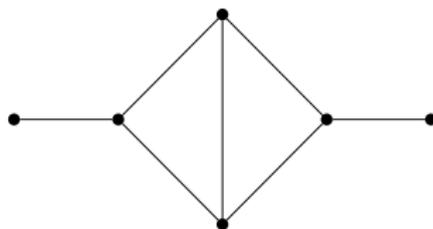
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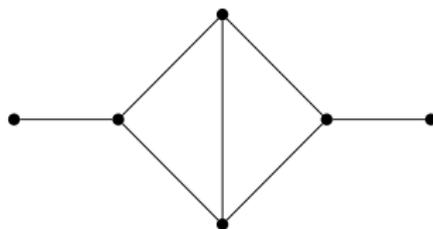
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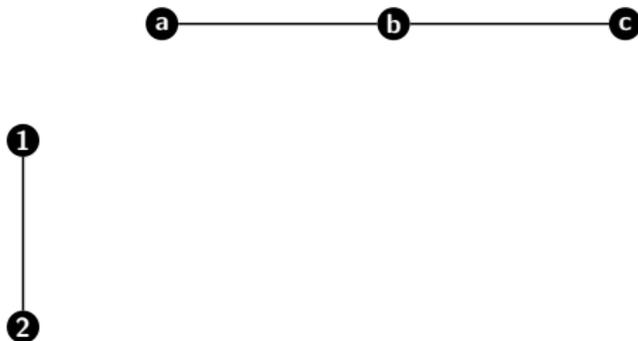


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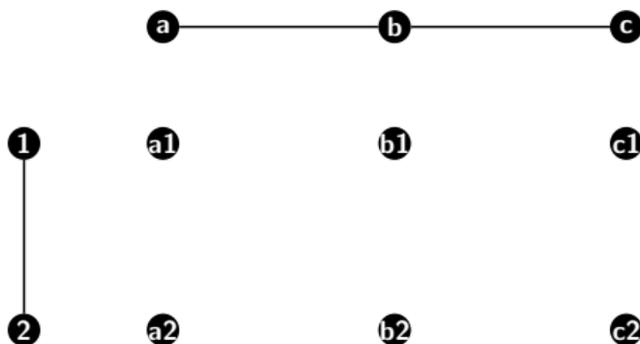
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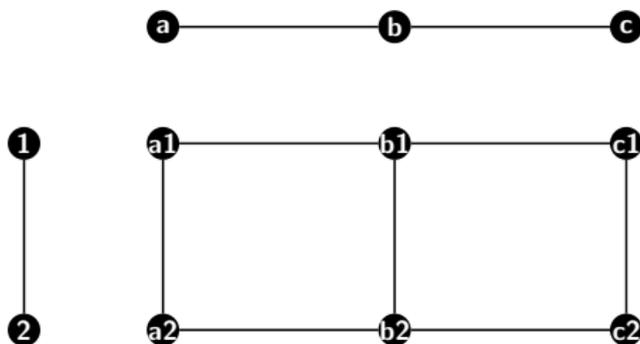


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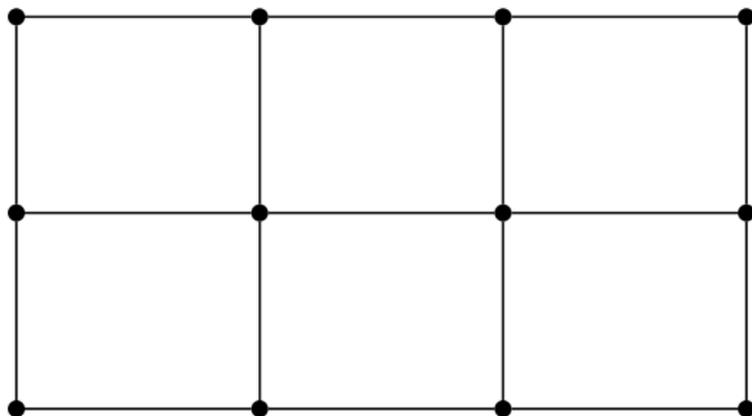
$$E(G_1 \square G_2) = \{[(u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)] \mid [u_1, v_1] \in E_1, u_2 = v_2, \text{ or } u_1 = v_1, [u_2, v_2] \in E_2\}.$$



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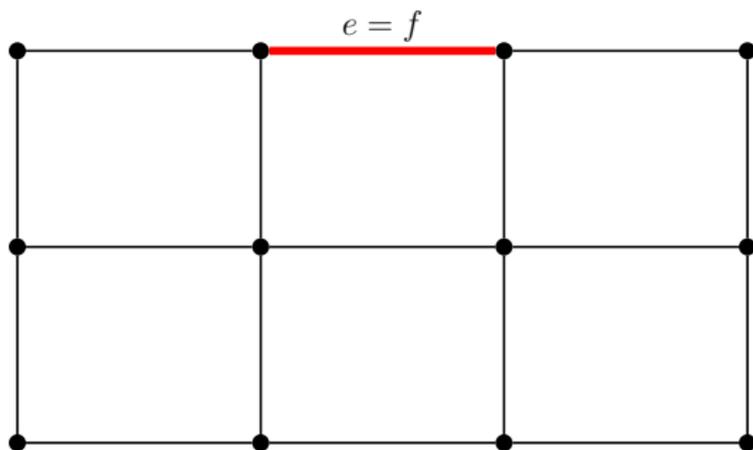
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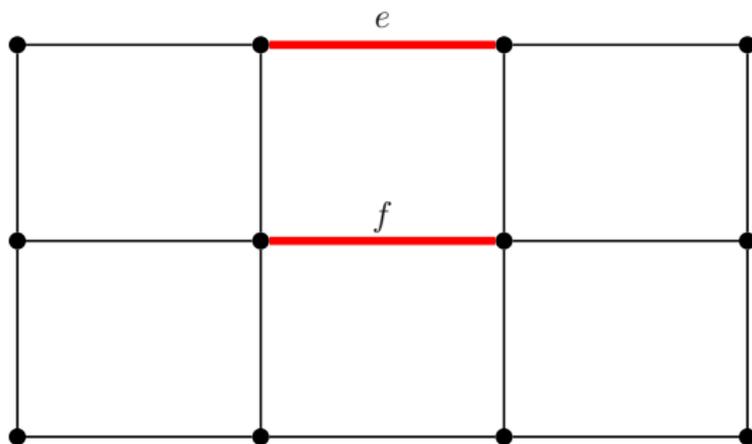
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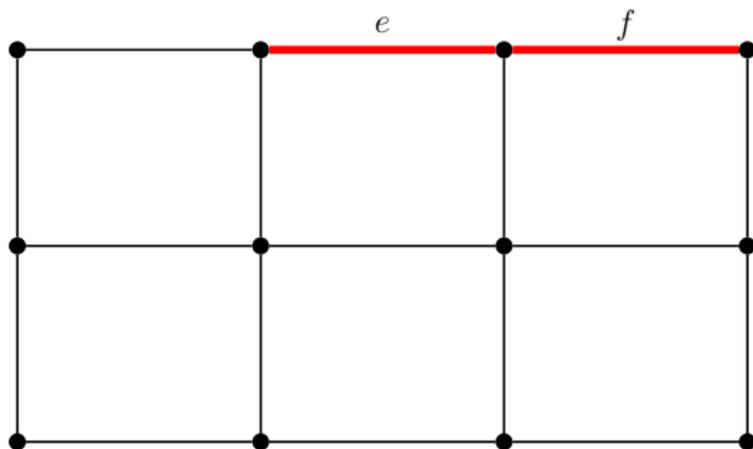
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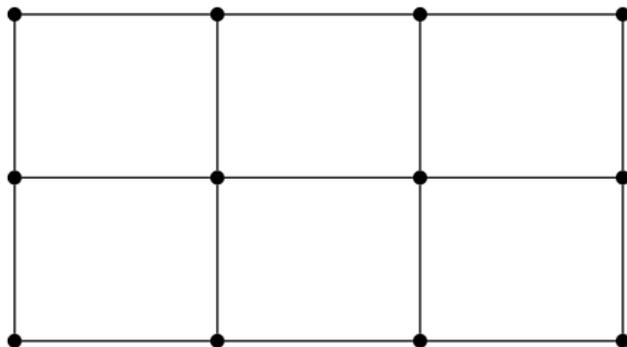


Theorem (W.Imrich, J.Žerovnik¹)

The relation corresponding to the unique prime factorization of a connected graph G is the convex hull of δ .

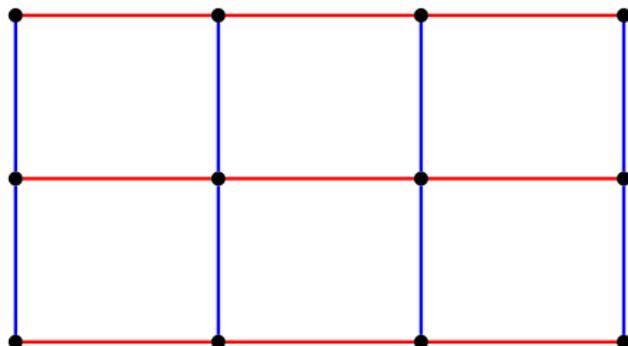
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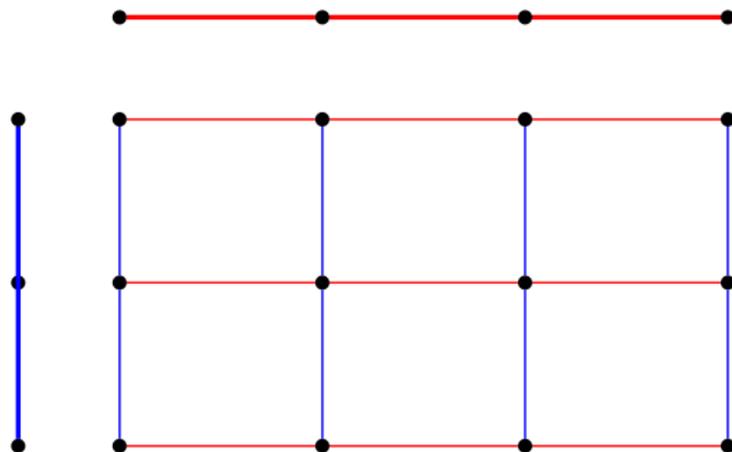
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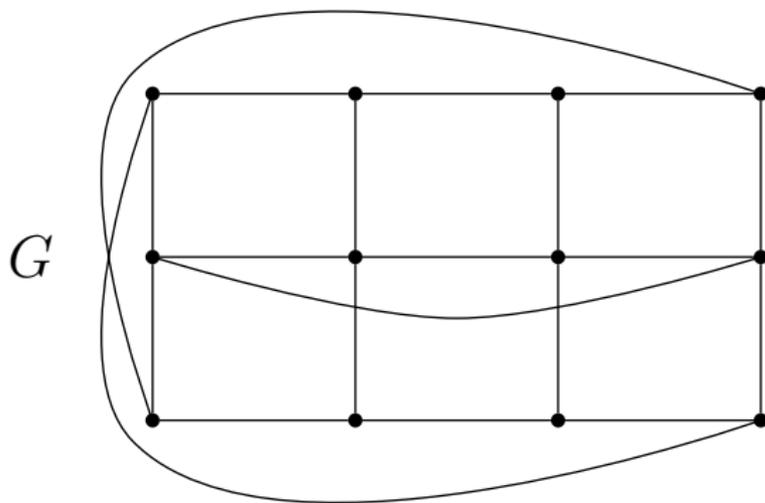
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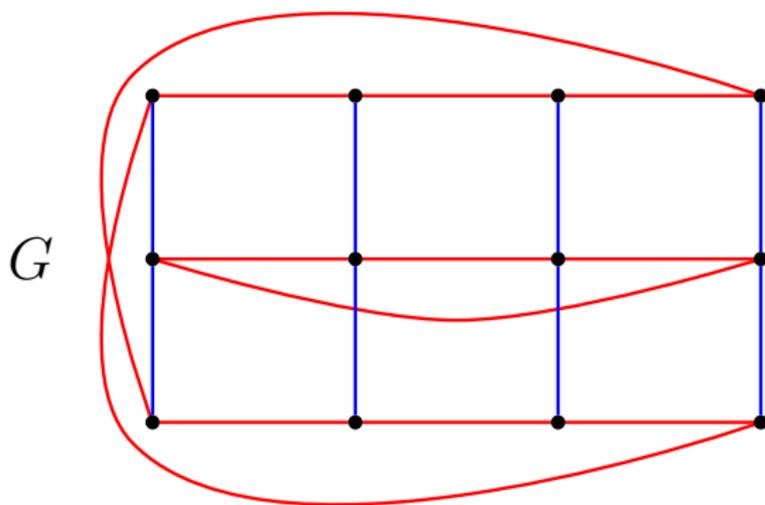
What if δ^* is not convex?



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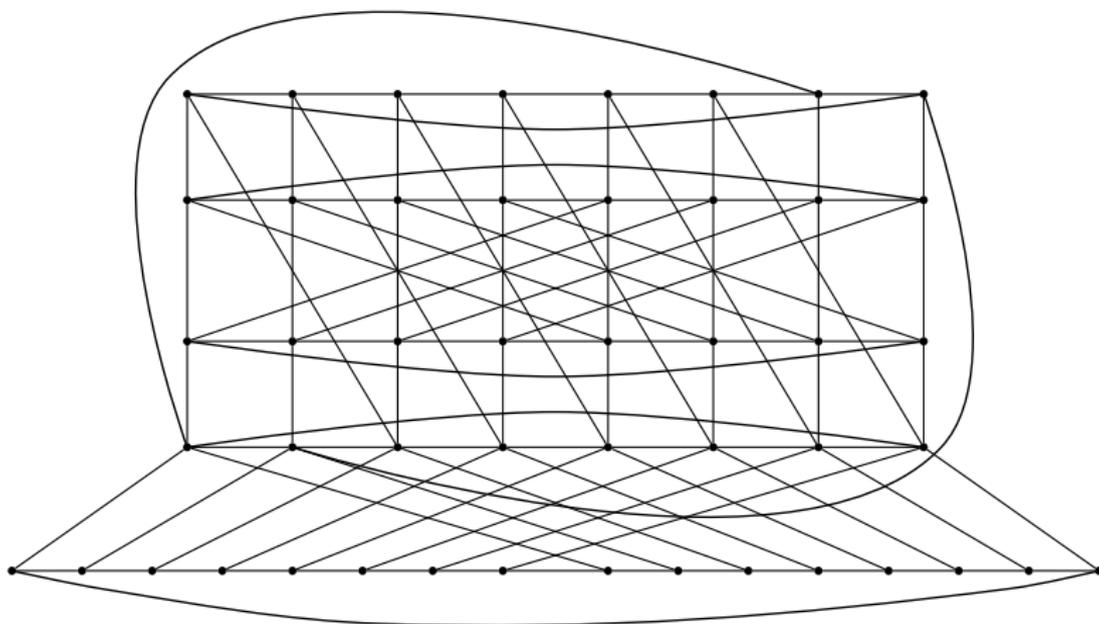
A prime graph with 2 different δ^* -equivalence classes



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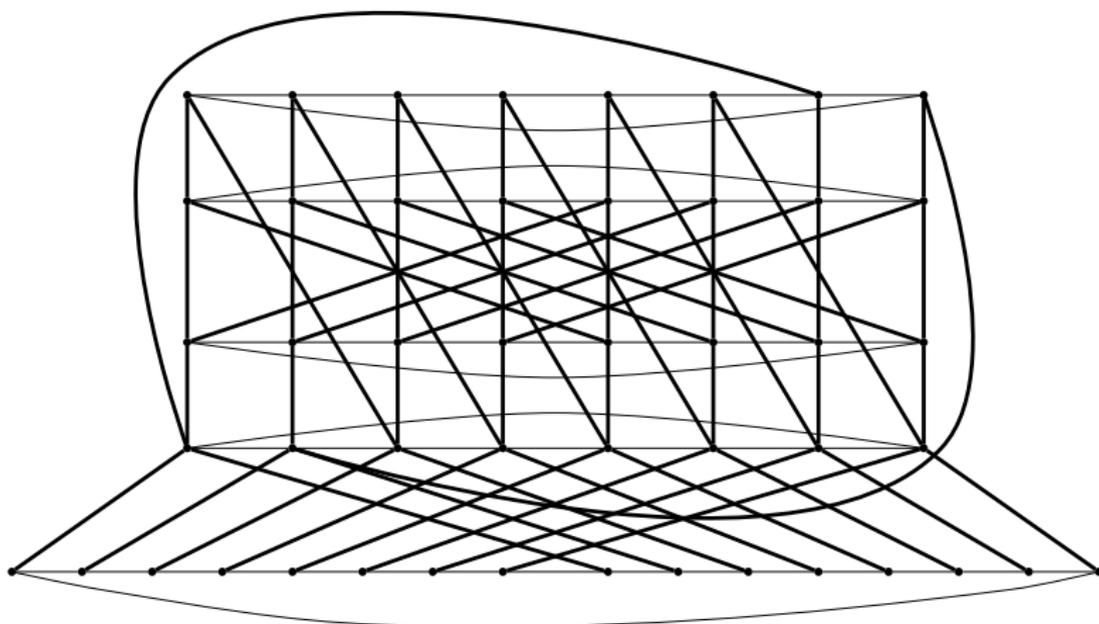
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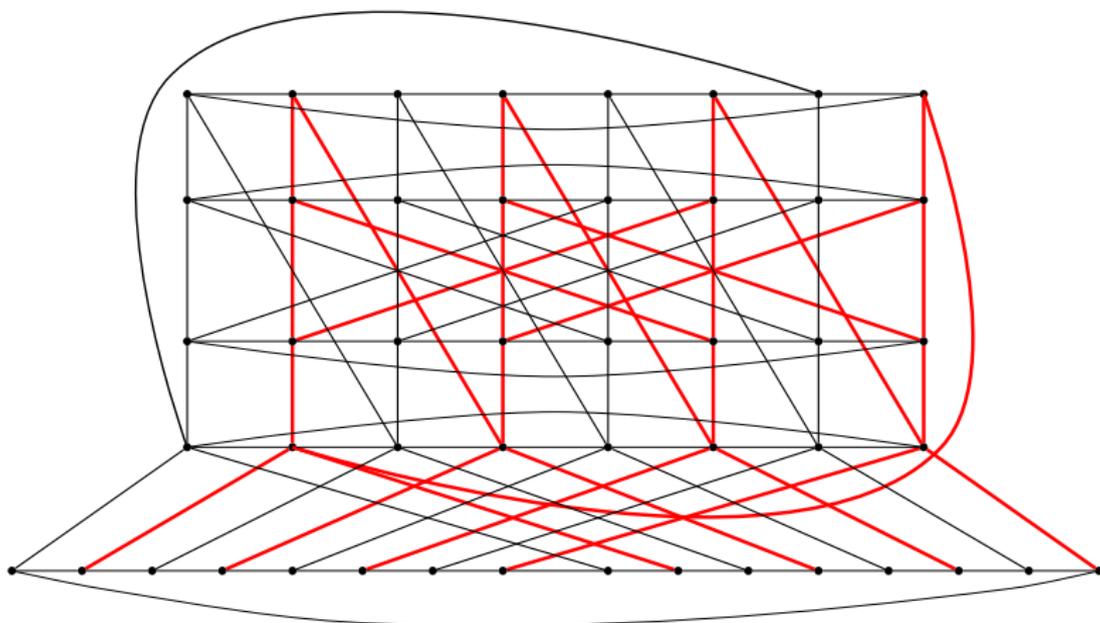
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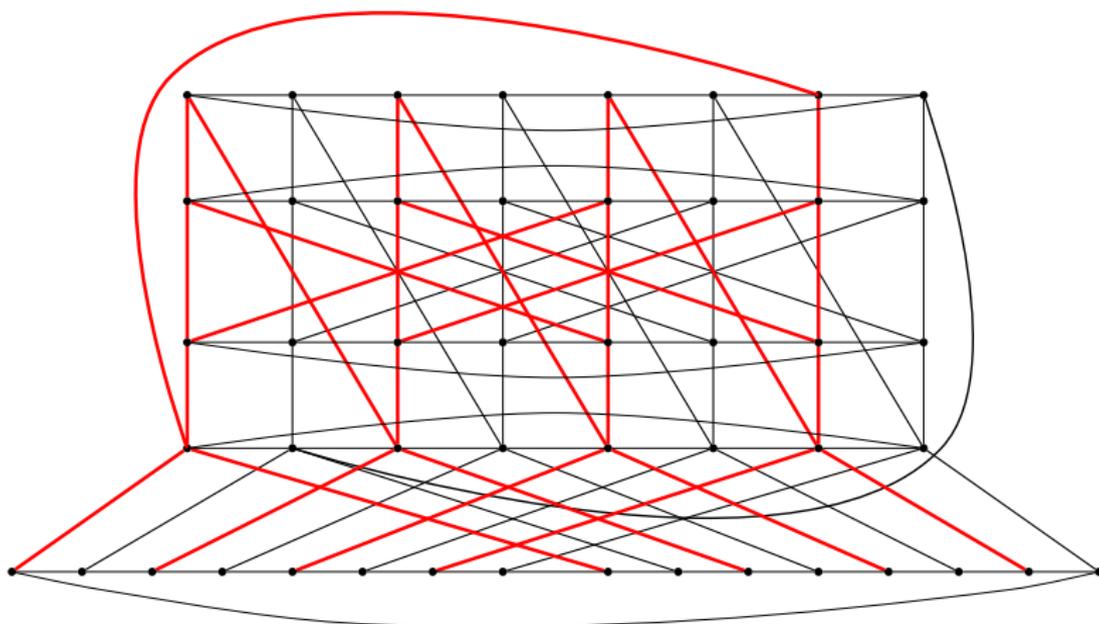
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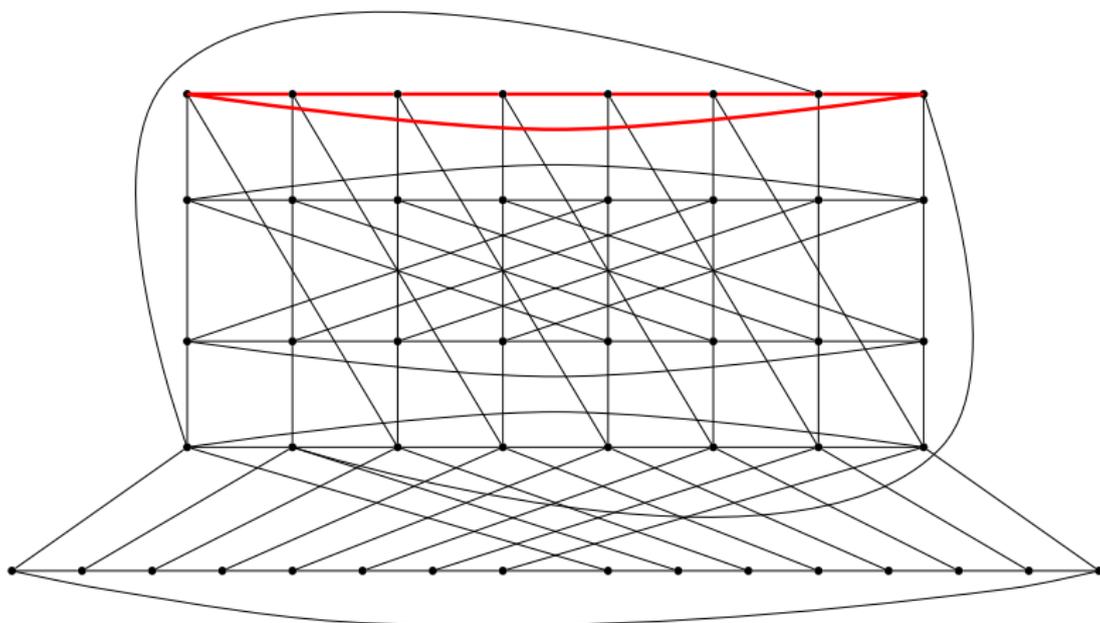
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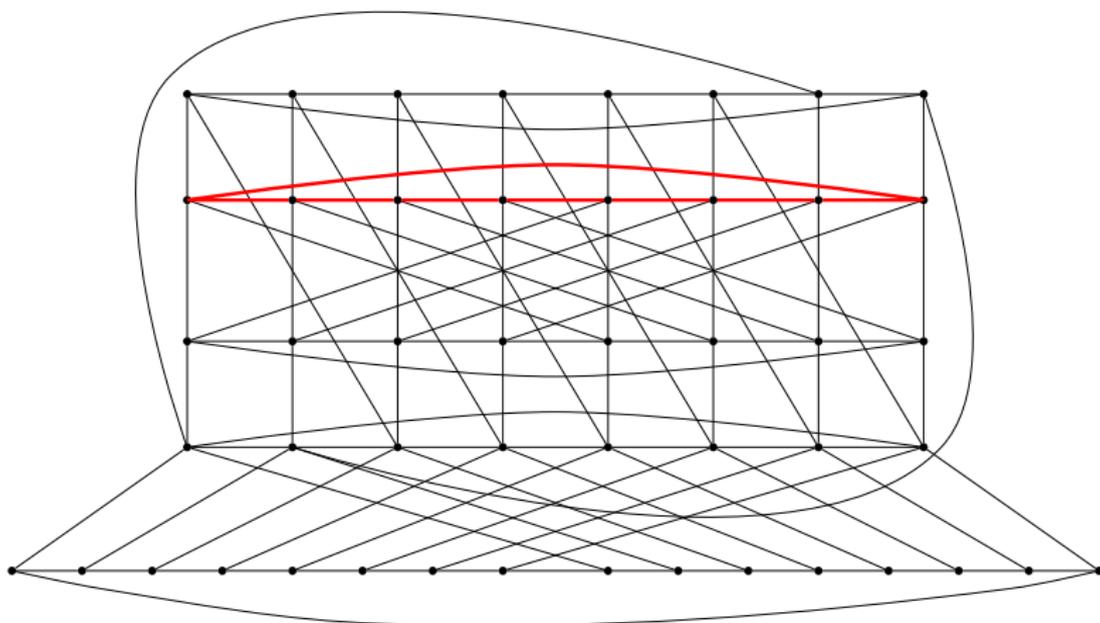
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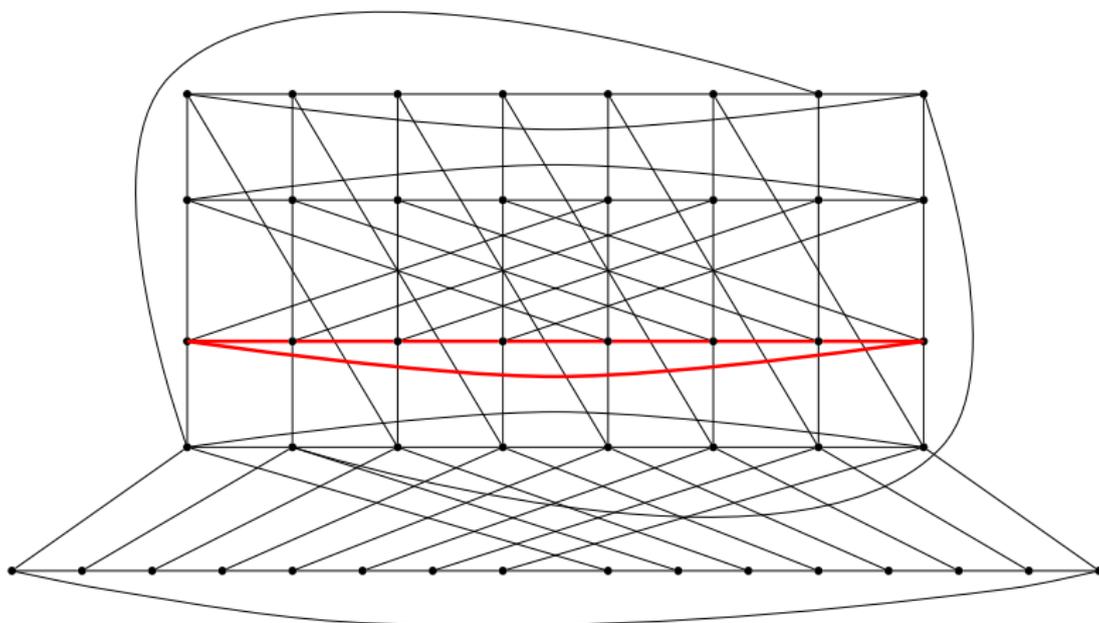
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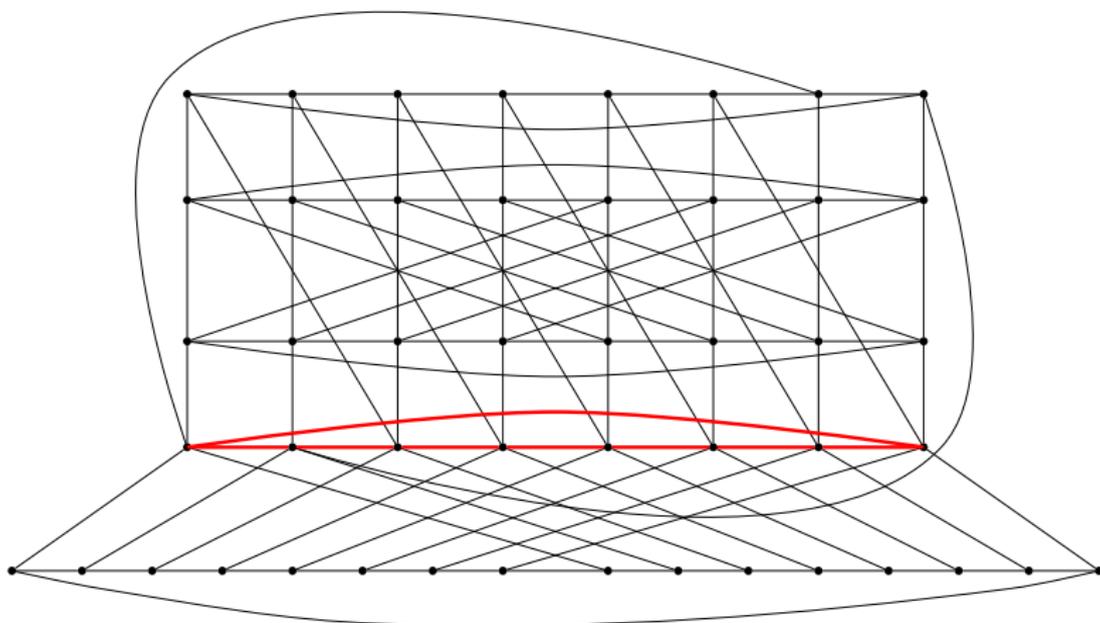
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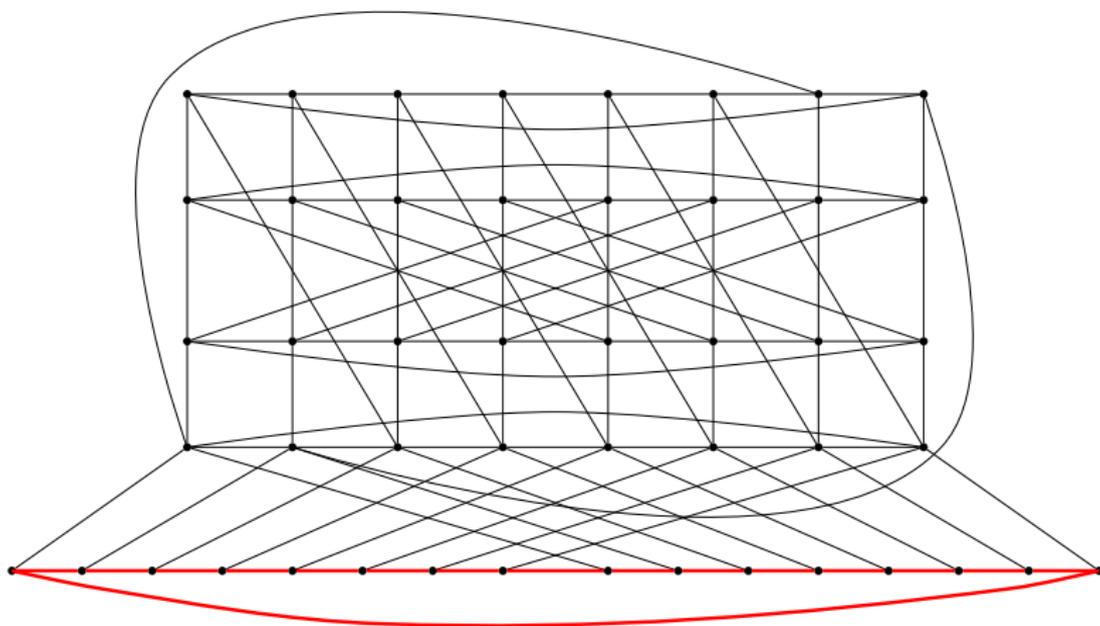
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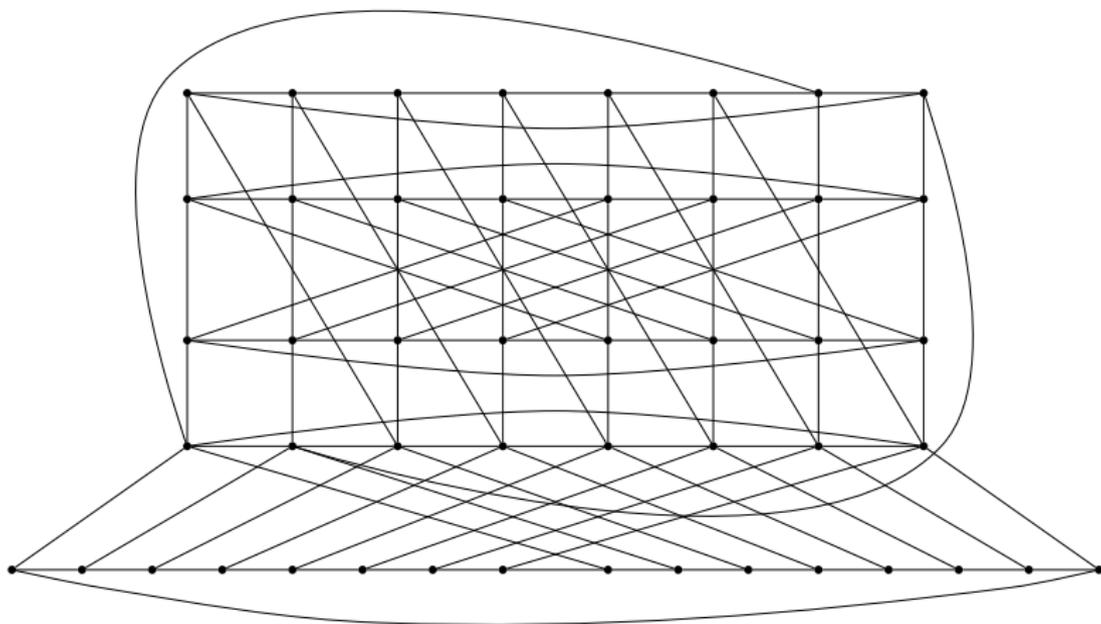
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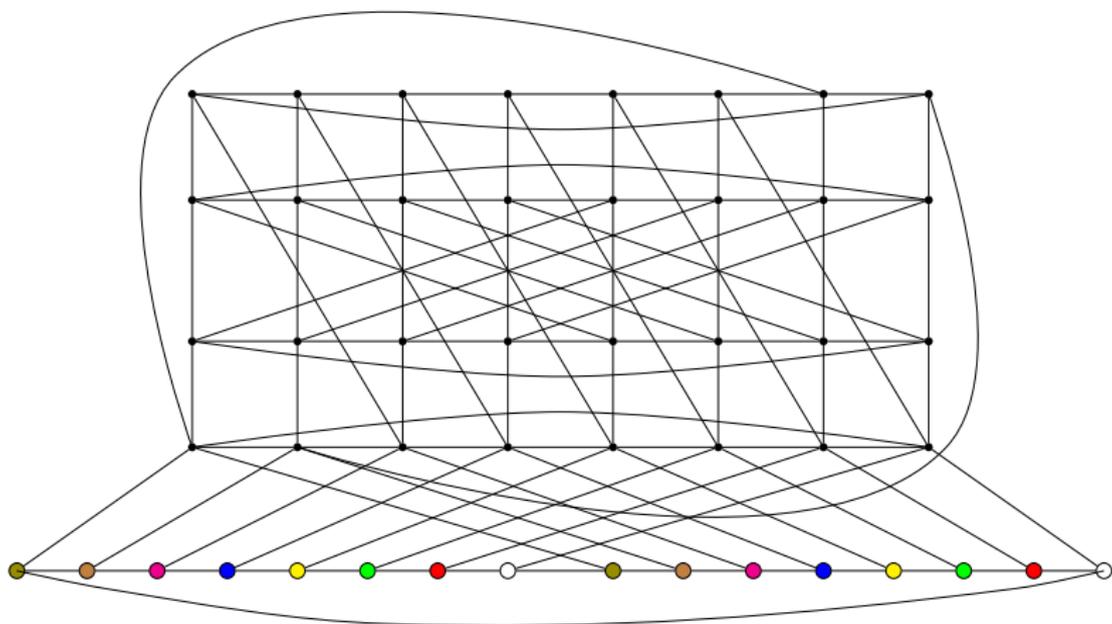
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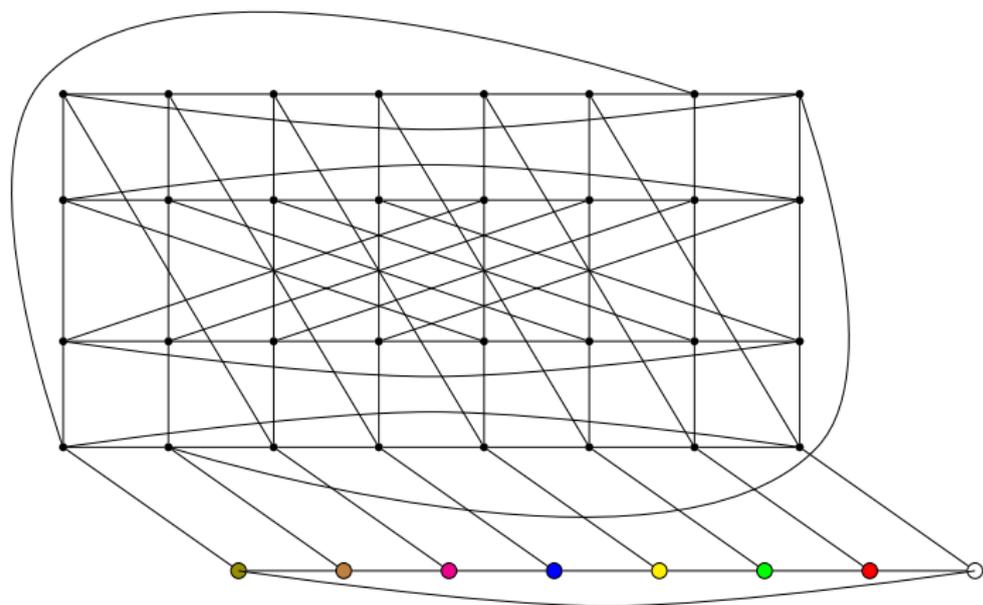
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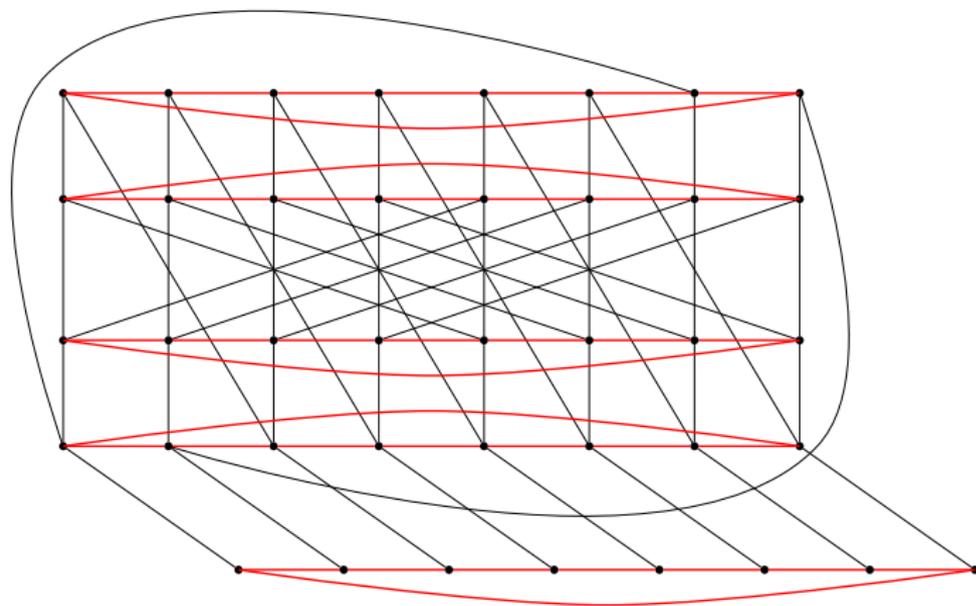
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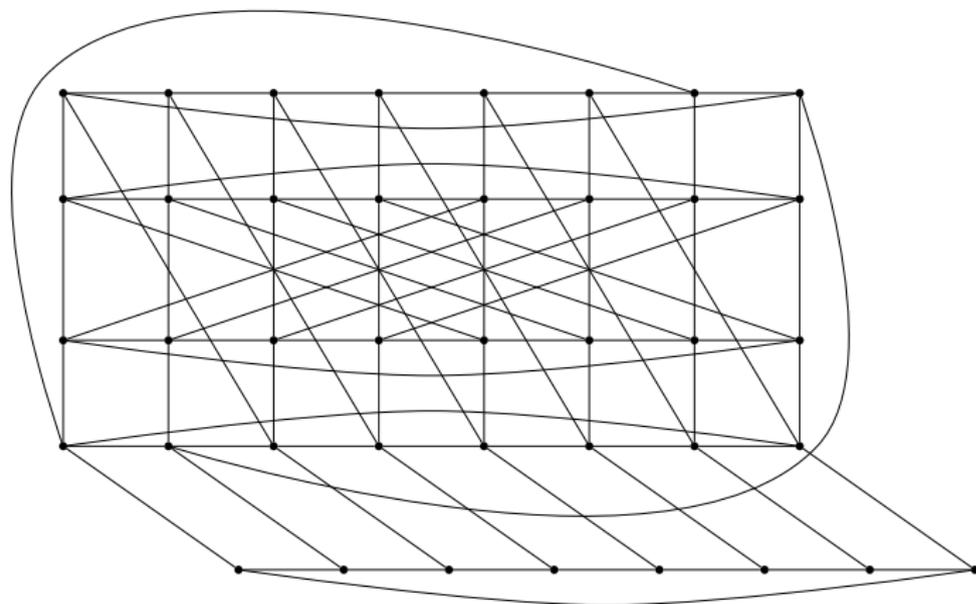
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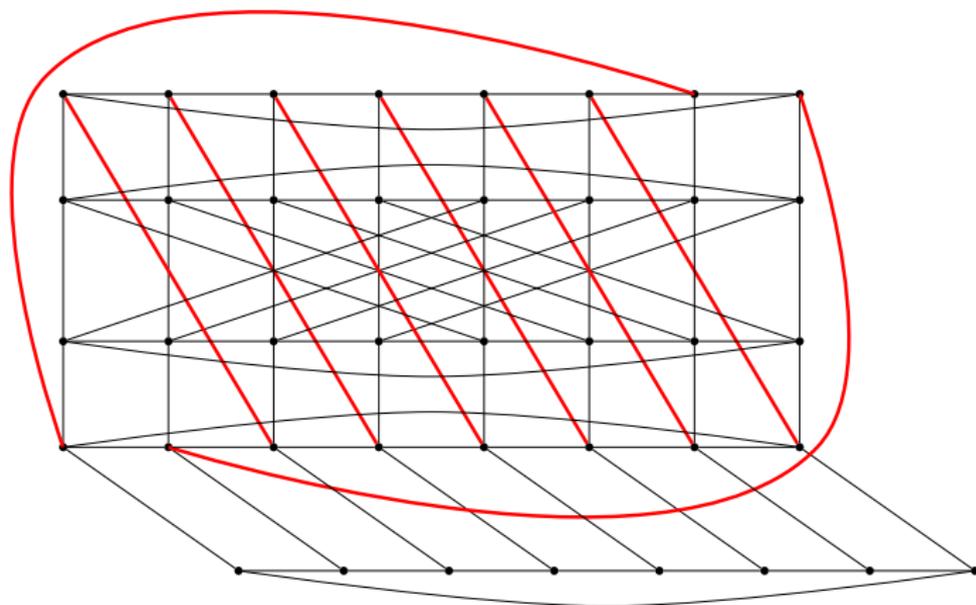
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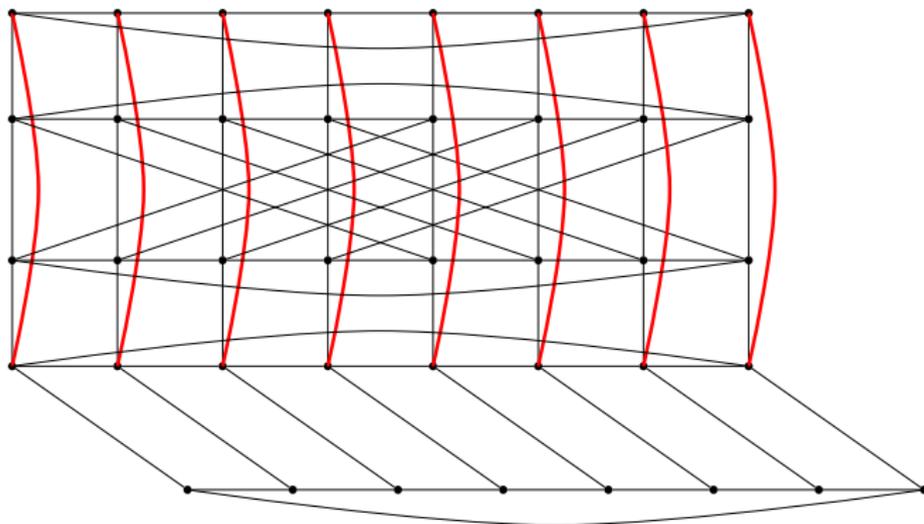
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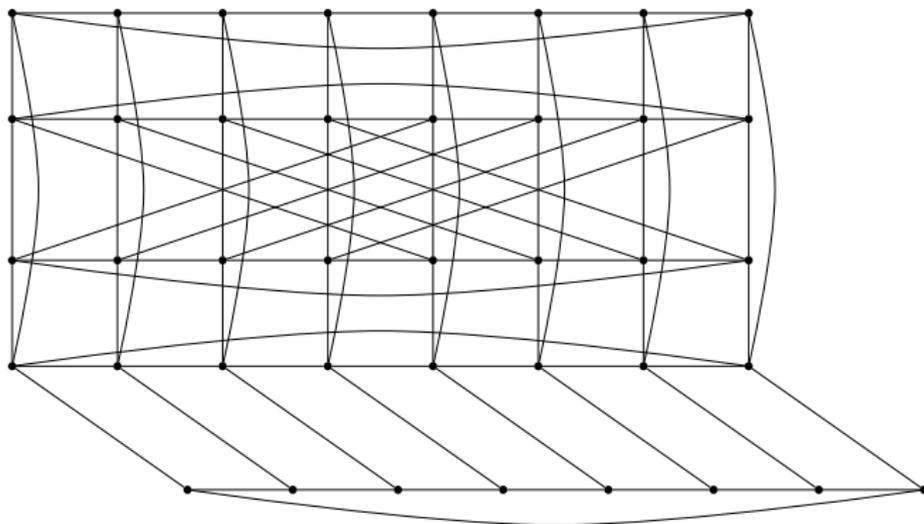
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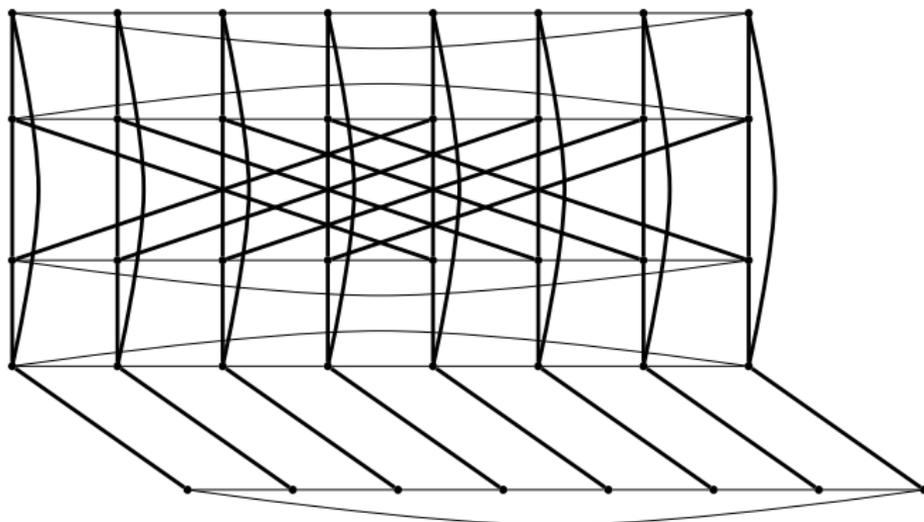
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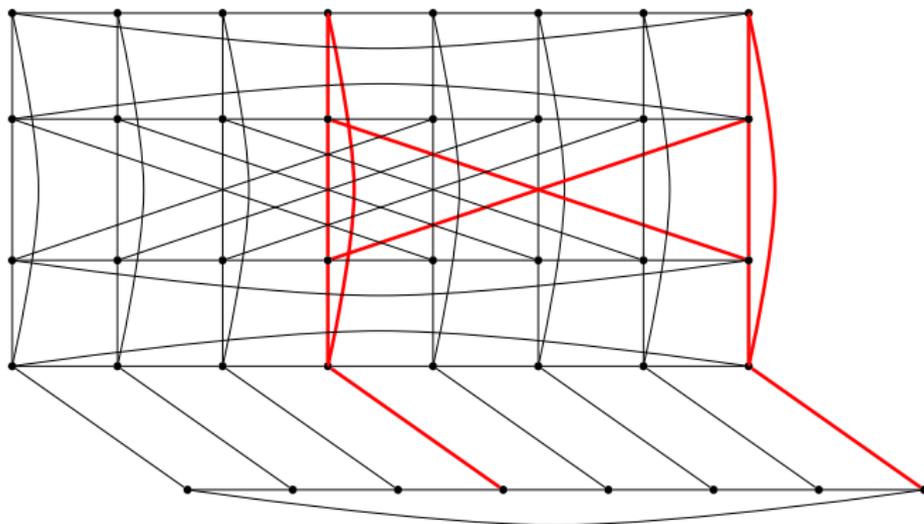
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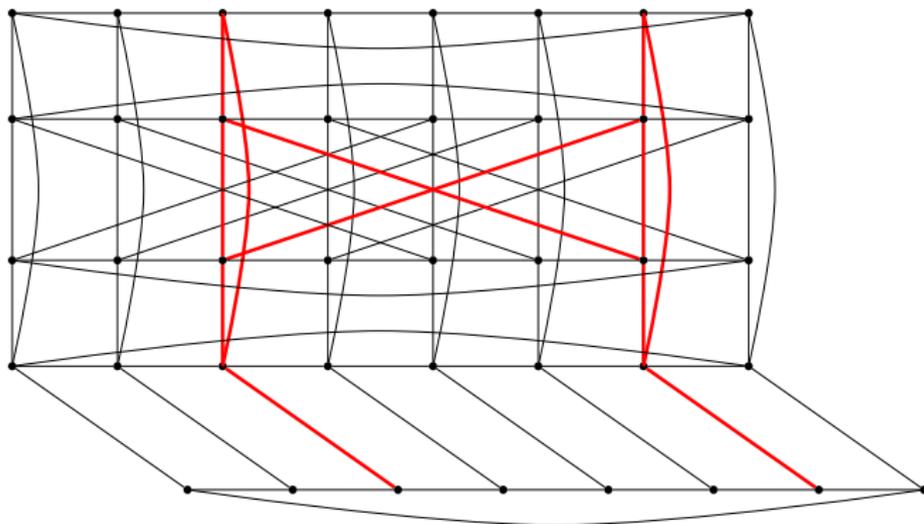
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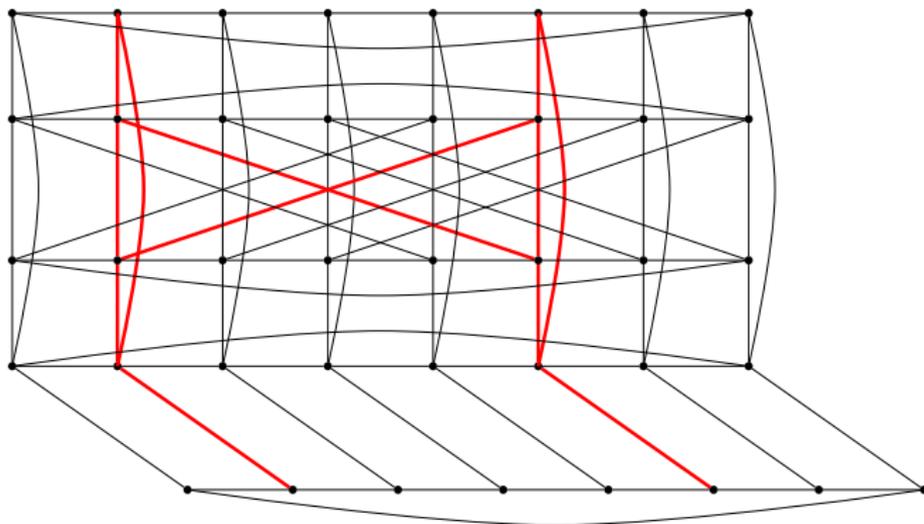
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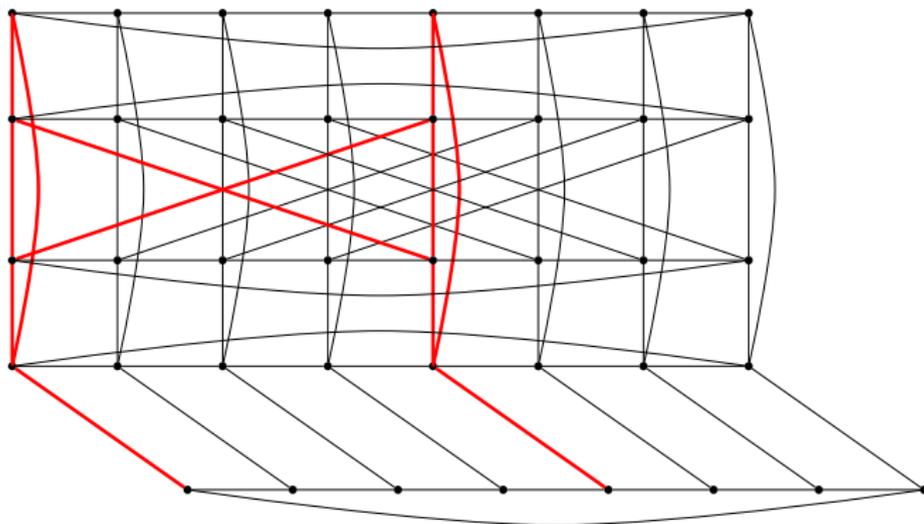
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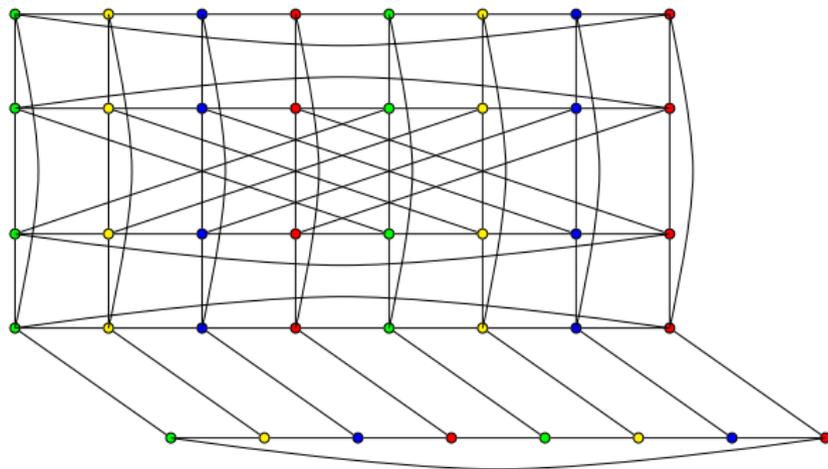


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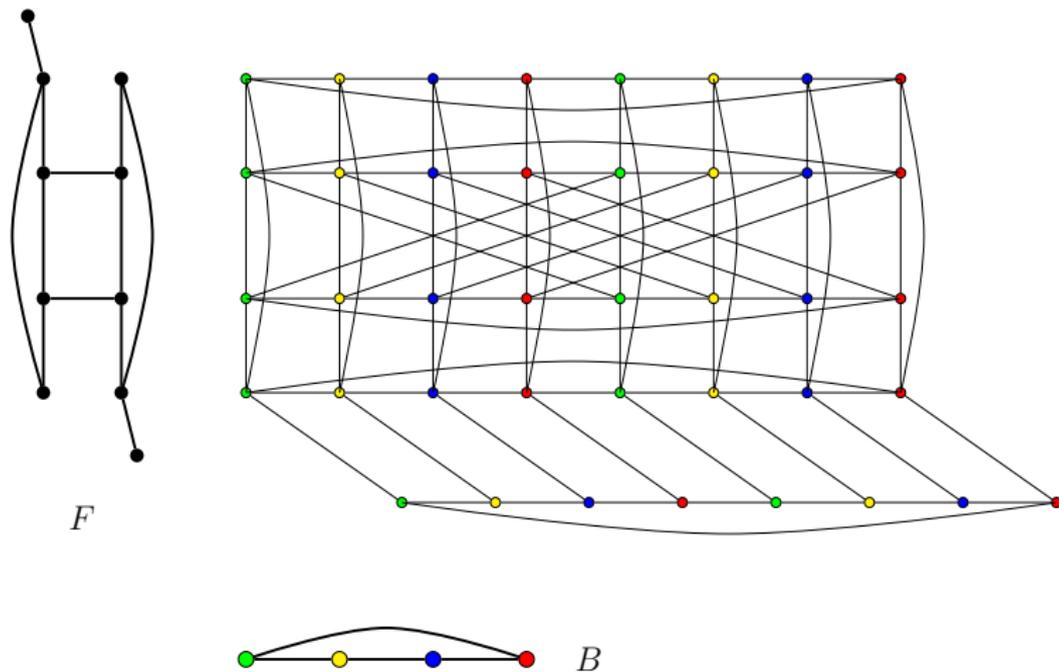


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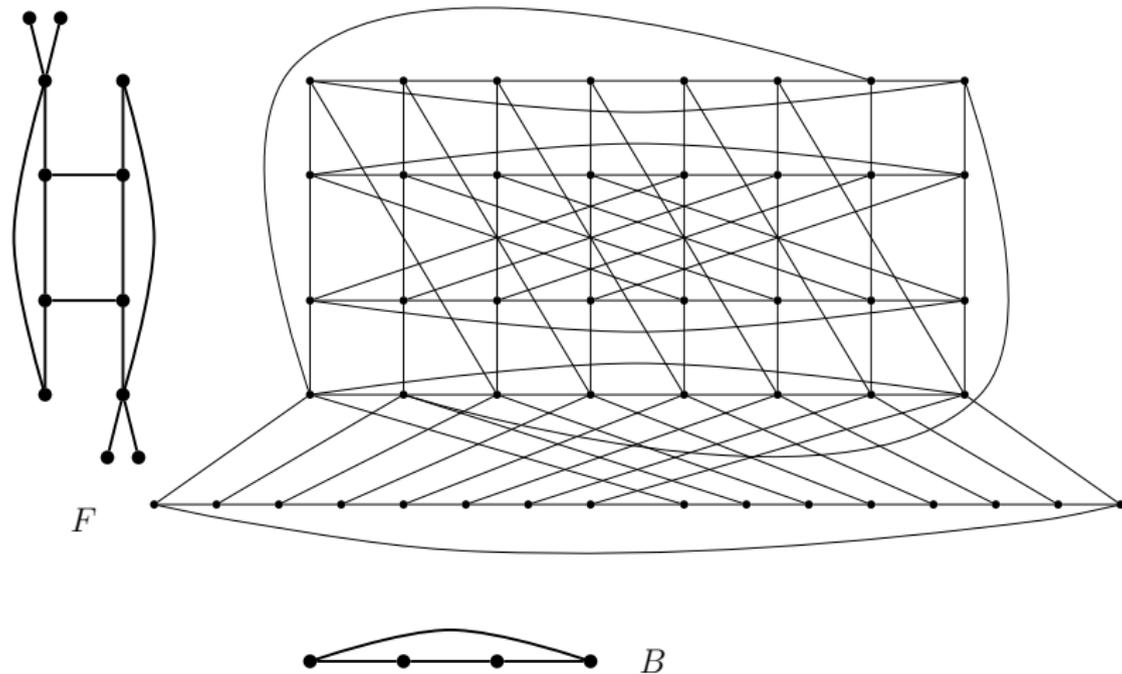
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G' is a graph bundle over basegraph B with fiber F .



Observation

pumping up F



Some Facts... ...and Conjectures

Assumptions

- Consider 2 adjacent connected components of an δ^* -e.c. of a graph, i.e.
- consider graph G with nontrivial δ^* such that $\exists \varphi$ e.c. of δ^* with exactly 2 induced connected components:
 $G_\varphi(u) \neq G_\varphi(v)$
- $\overline{\varphi} := \bigcup_{\varphi' \neq \varphi} \varphi'$

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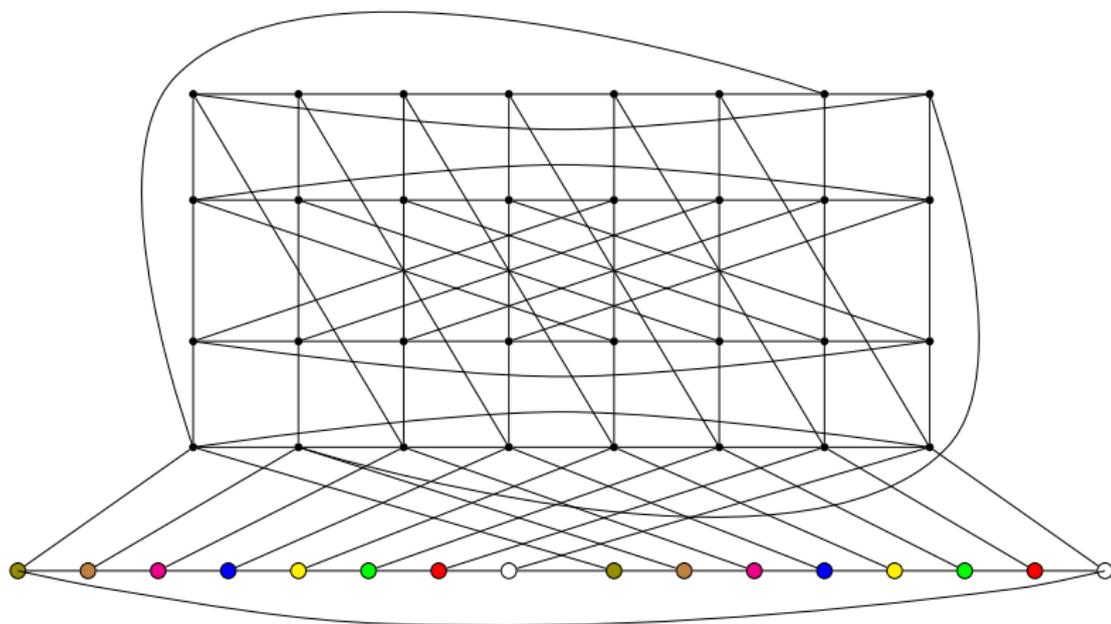
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- G has nontrivial $\delta^* \Rightarrow G/A$ has nontrivial δ^* ,
- G/A has the "same" δ^* -equivalence classes as G .

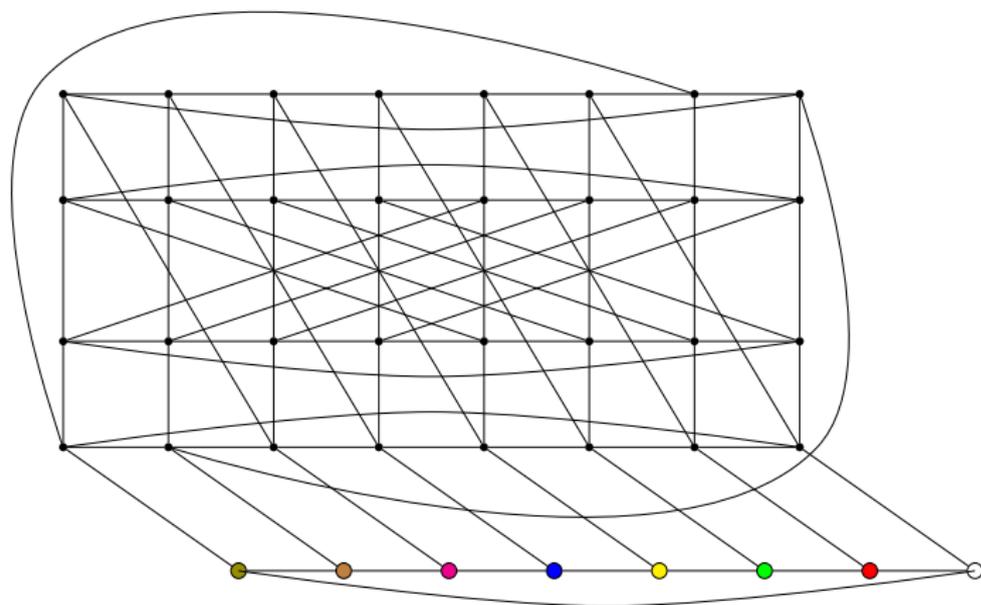
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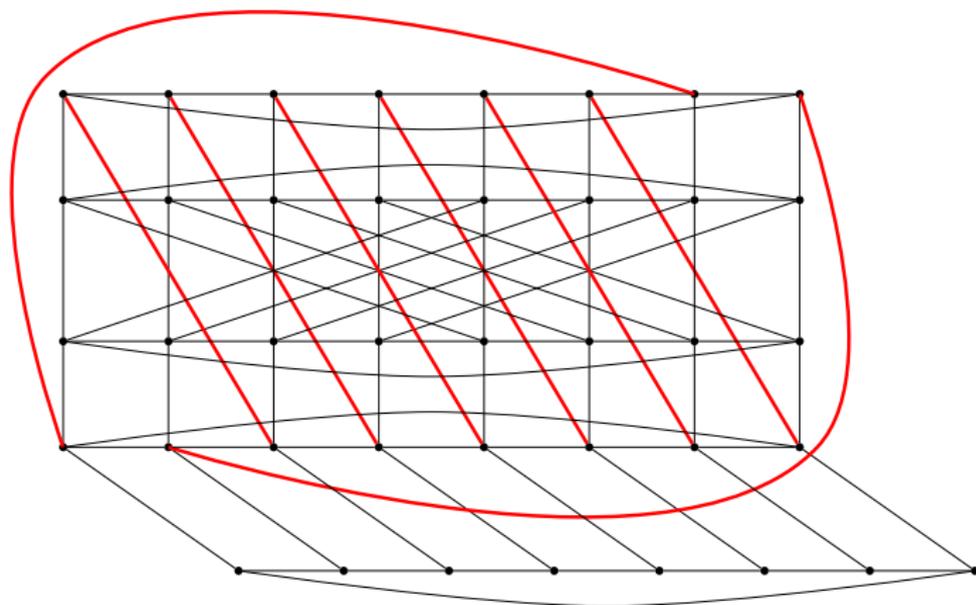
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By some special "edge switching" one can construct a graph G' from G/A that is a Cartesian product (or at least a graph bundle).

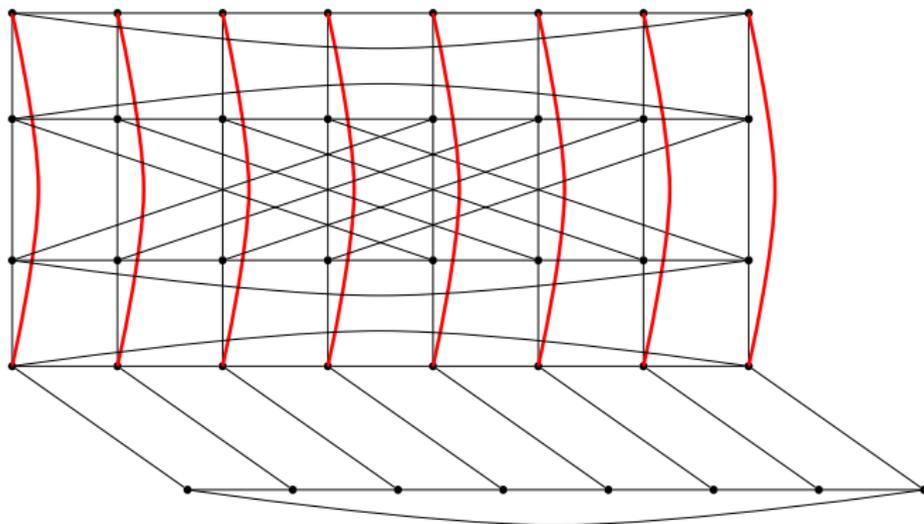
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- Proofs?
- How to define/ formalize those "switchings"?
- How to extend this to the entire graph?
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