

Quasiperfect Dominating Codes in Graphs ¹

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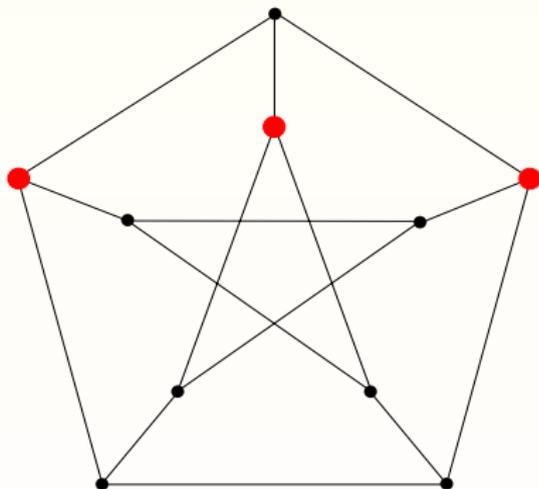
- 1 QP-dominating sets, codes and parameters.
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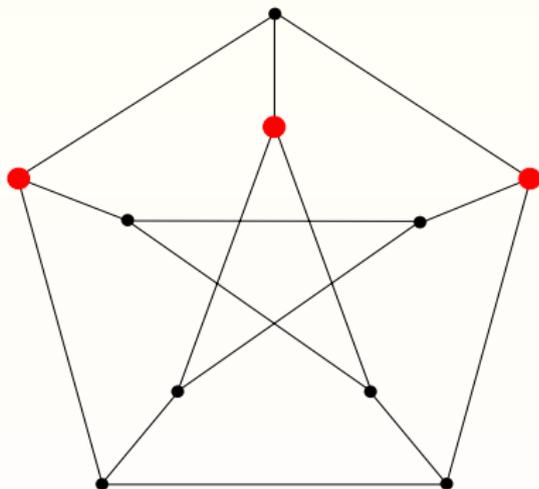
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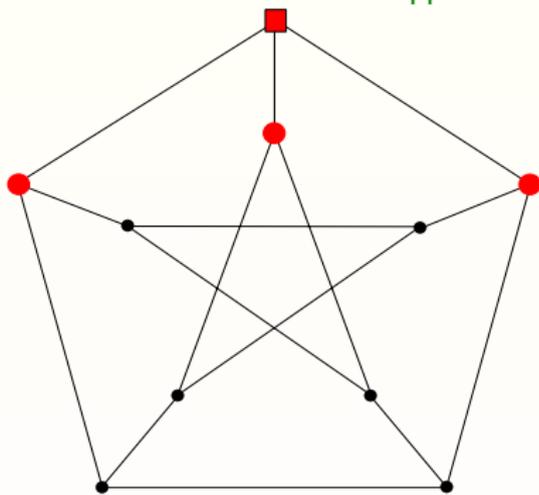
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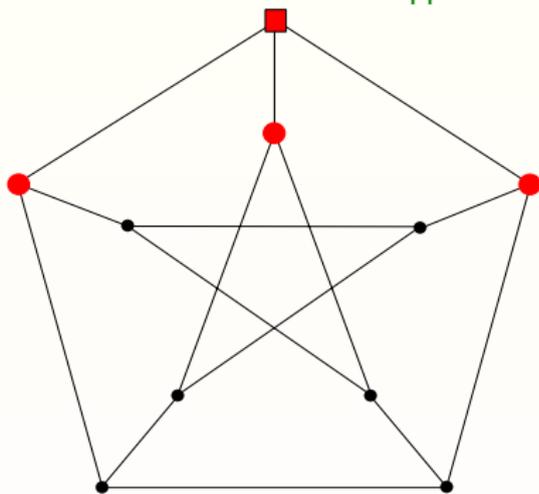
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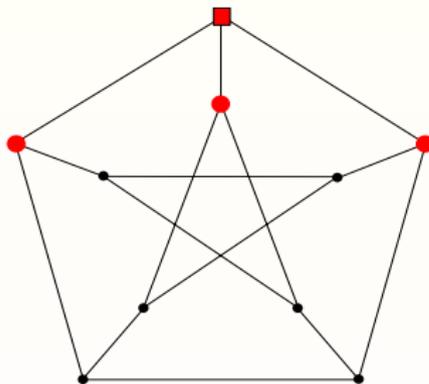
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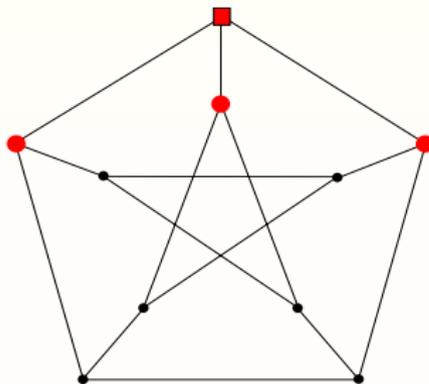
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Table: QP domination parameters of some basic graphs ($n > 6$).

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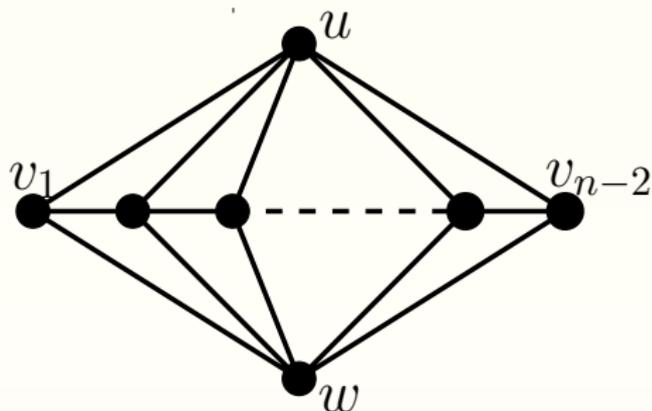


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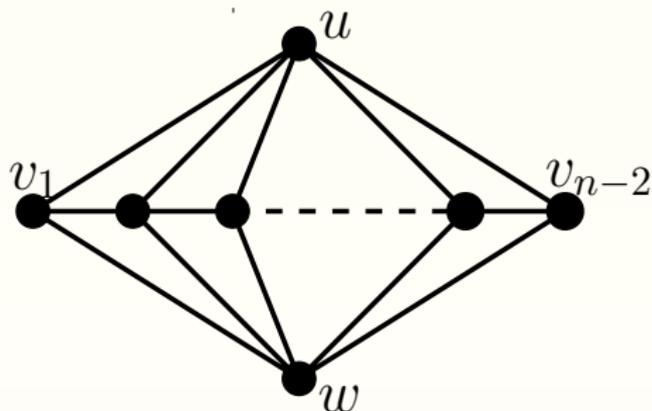


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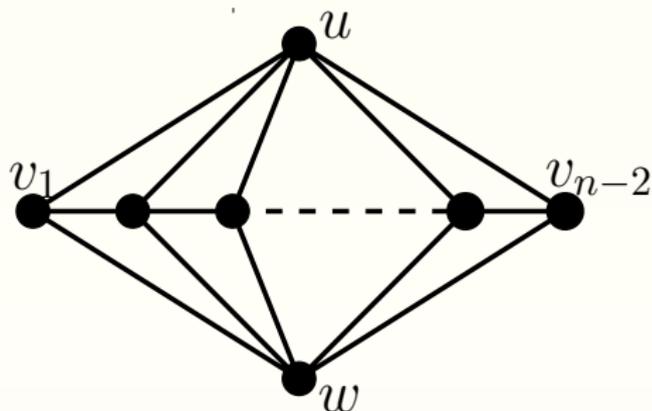


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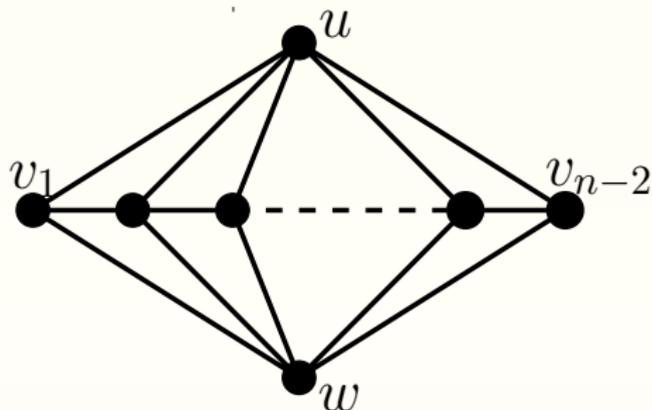


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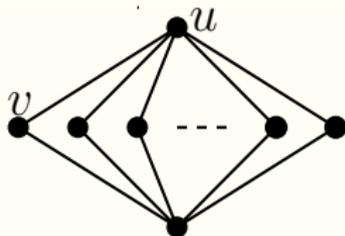
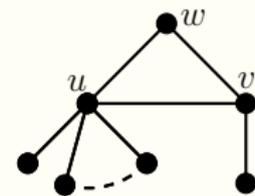
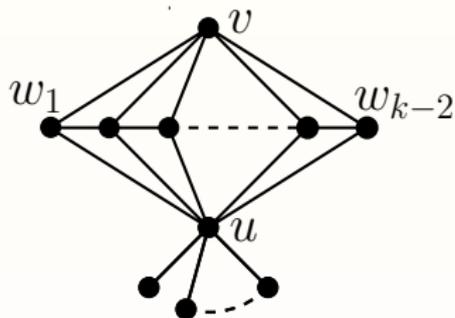
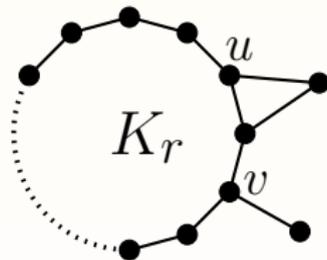
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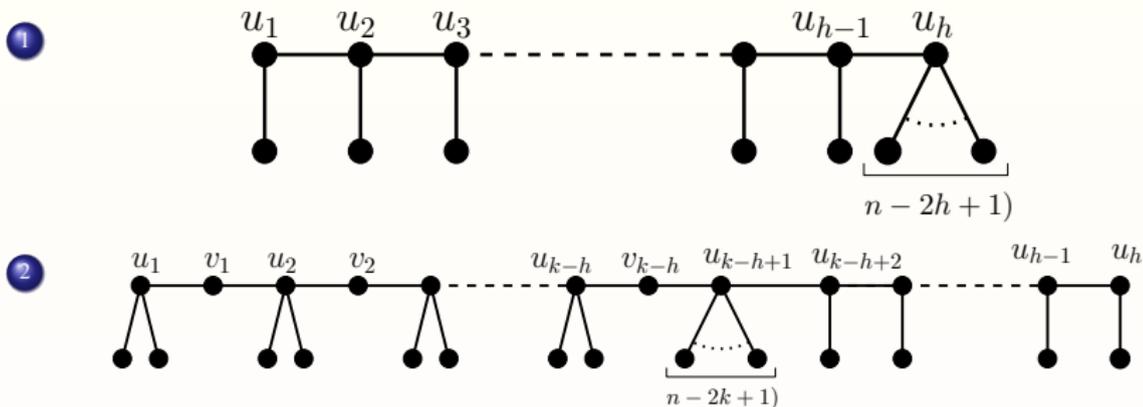
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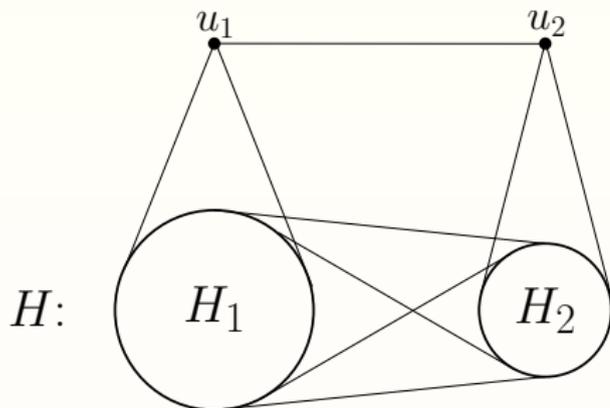


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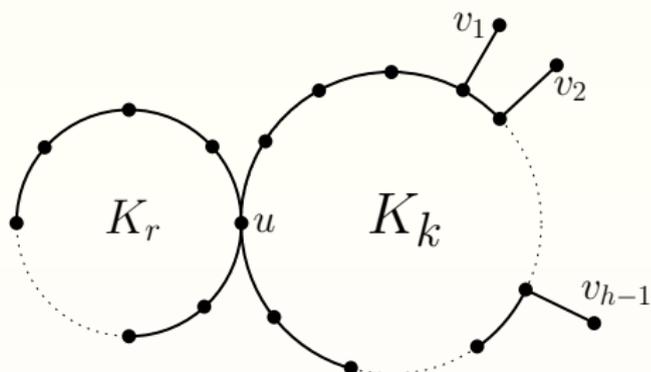
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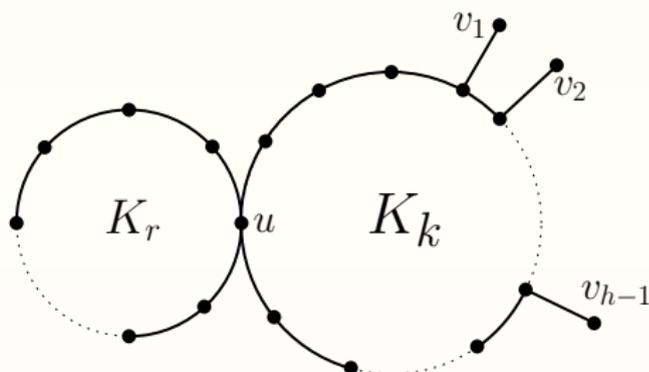
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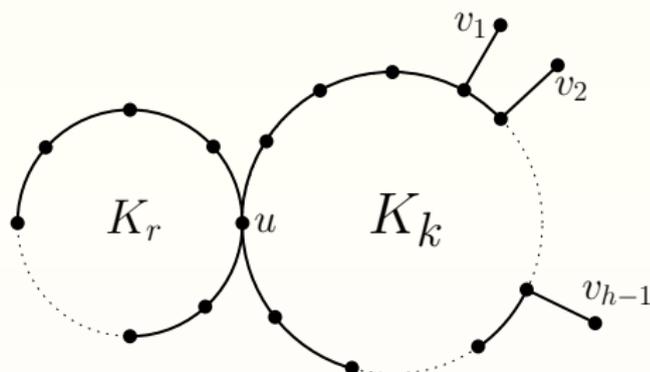


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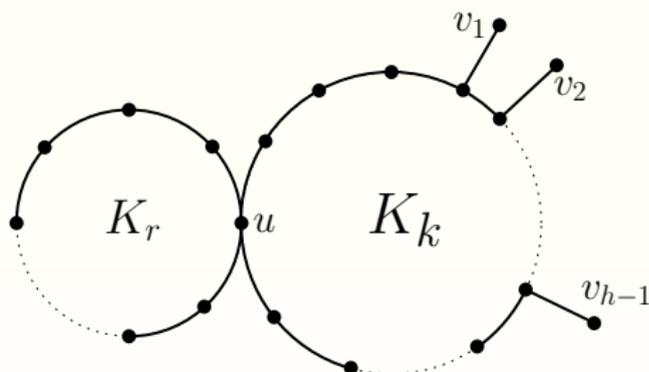


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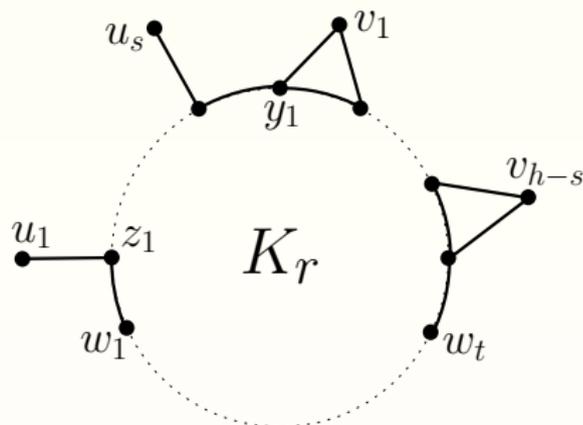
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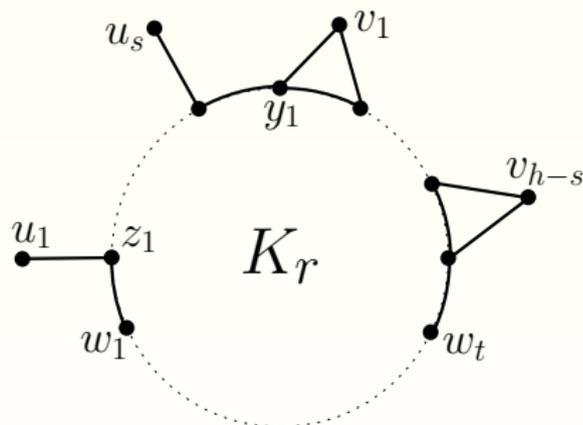
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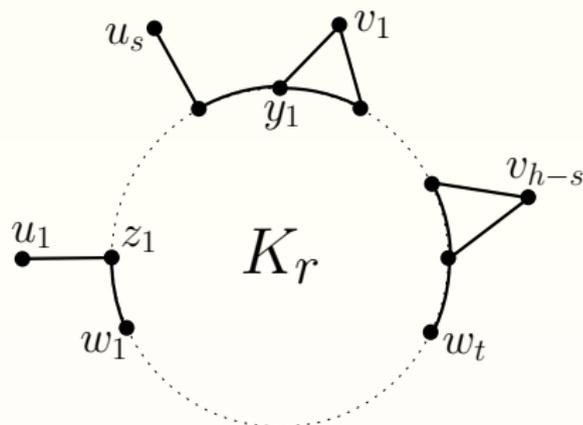


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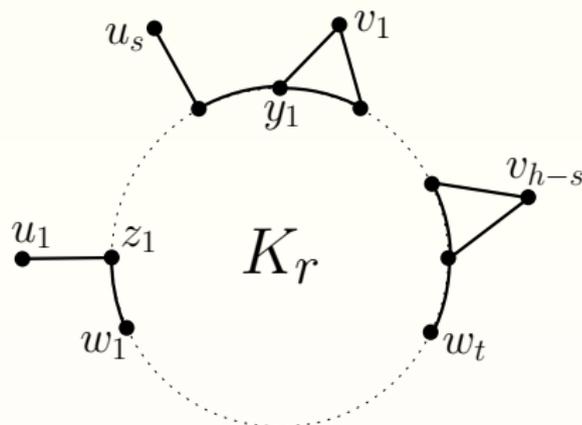


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