

# Nordhaus-Gaddum-type results for locating domination <sup>1</sup>

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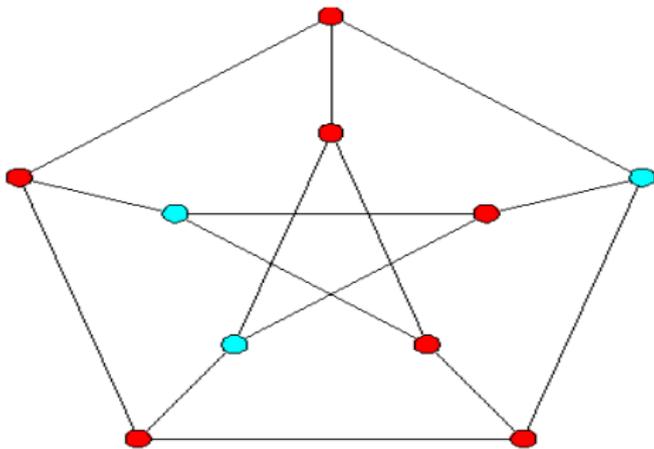
<sup>1</sup>Joint work with Carmen Hernando and Mercè Mora.



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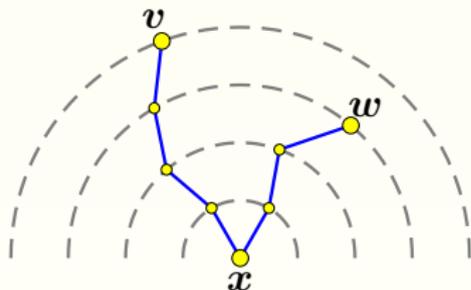


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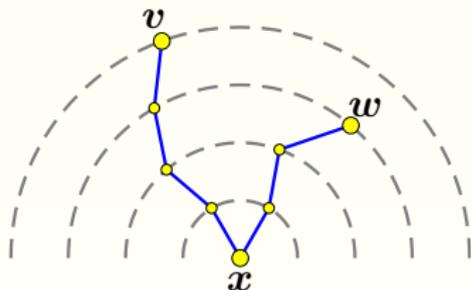
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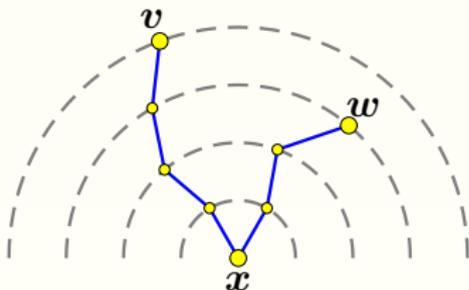
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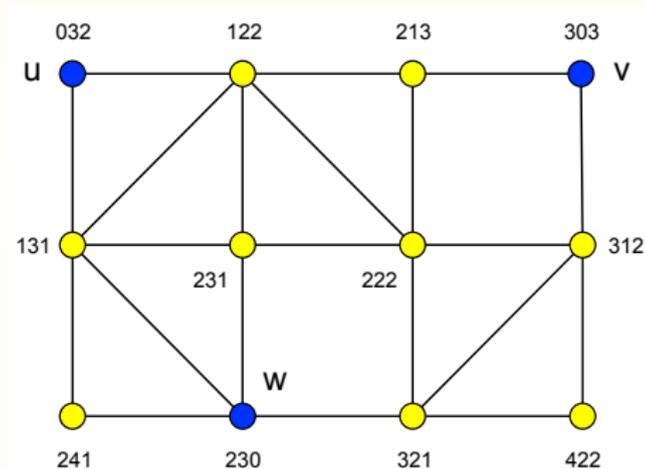
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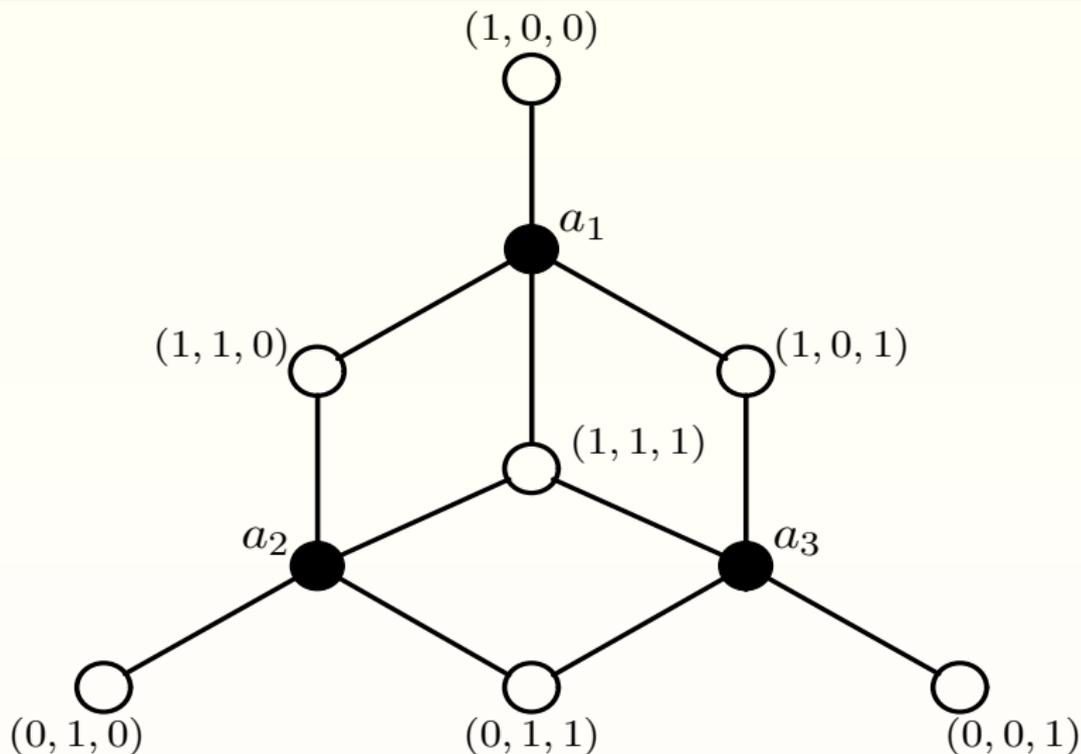
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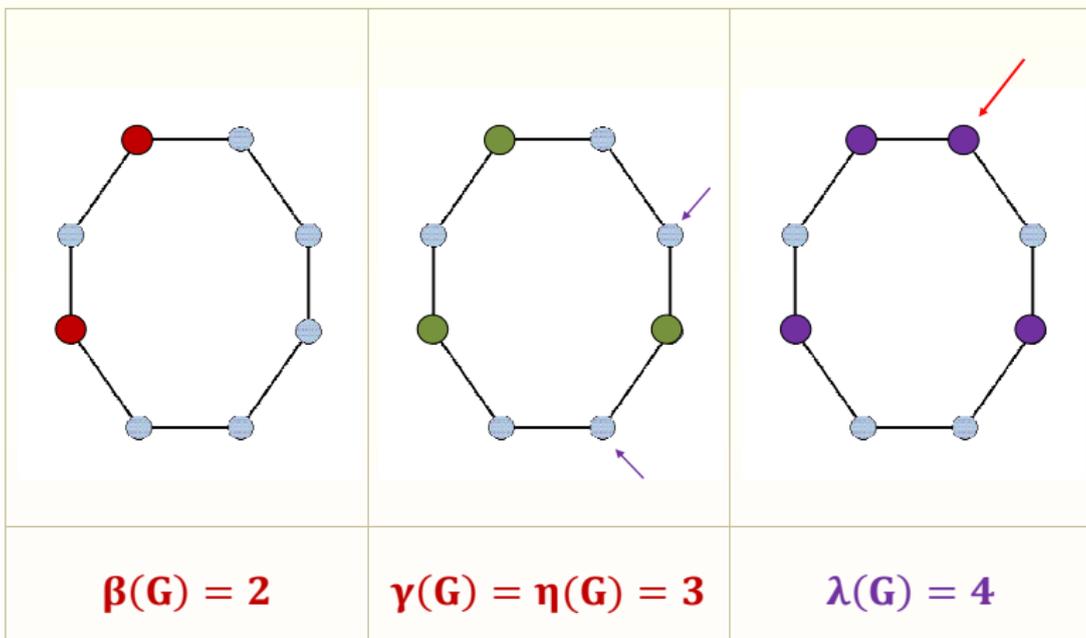
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In all cases, digit **0** means "greater than 1"

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In this example:

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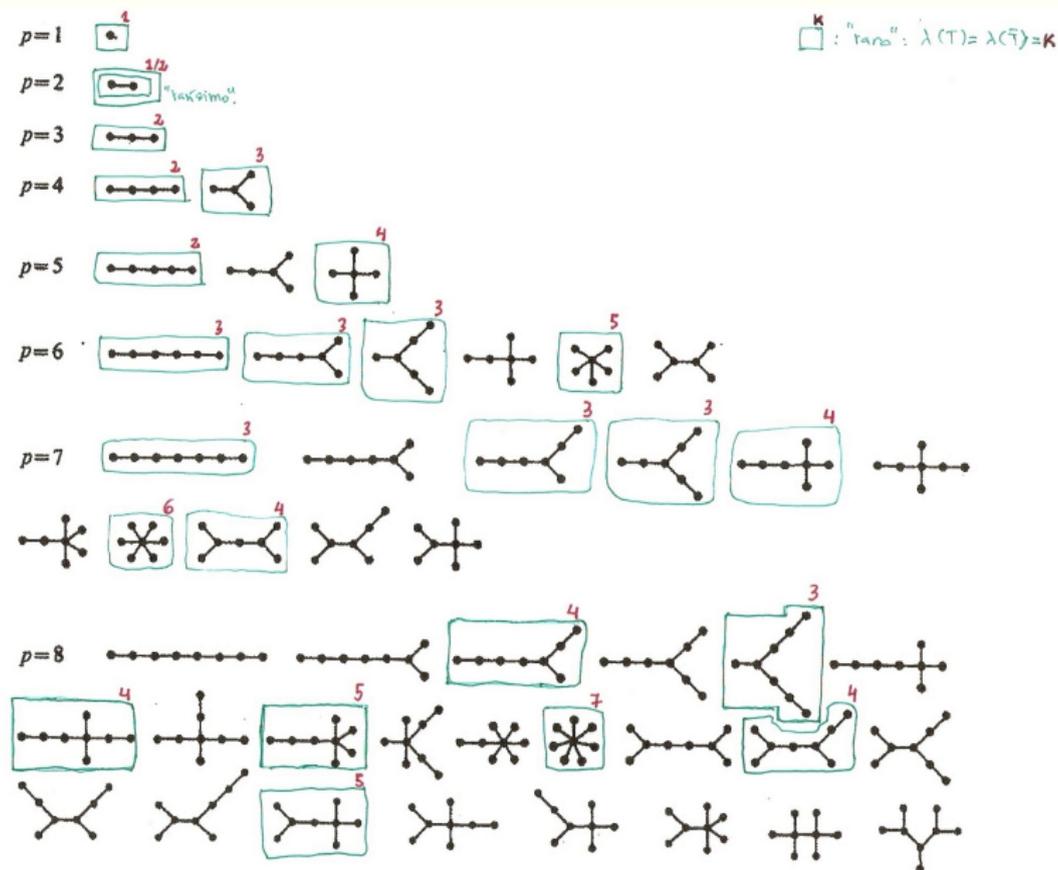
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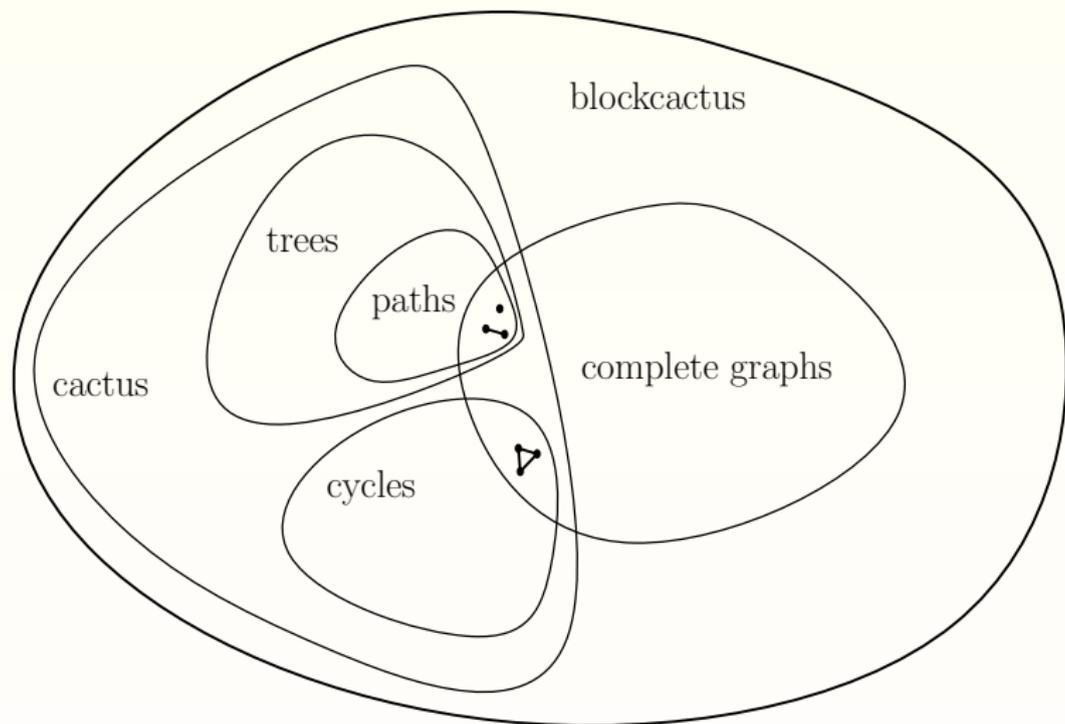
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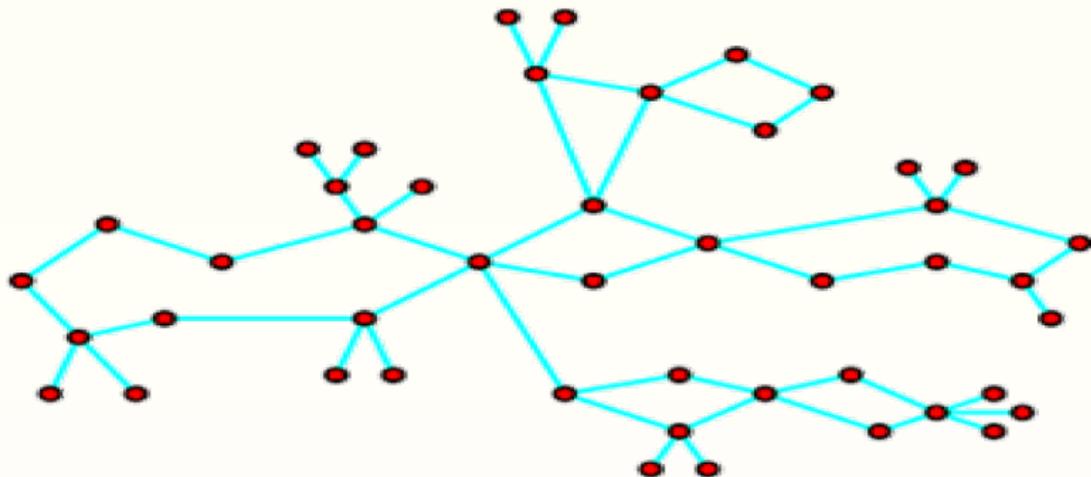
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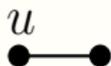
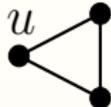
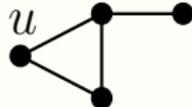
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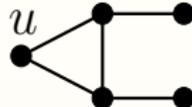
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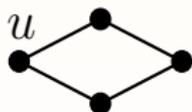
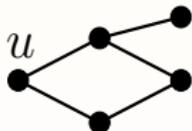
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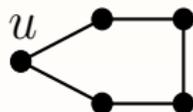
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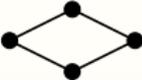
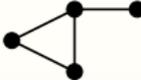
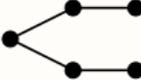
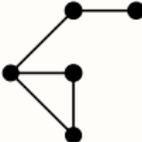
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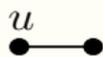
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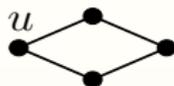
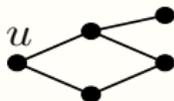
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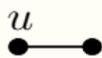


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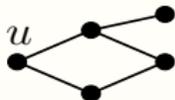
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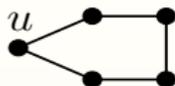
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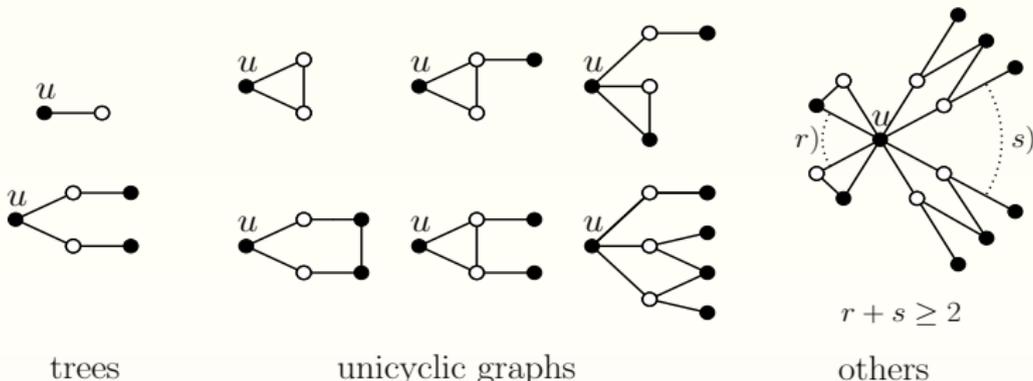
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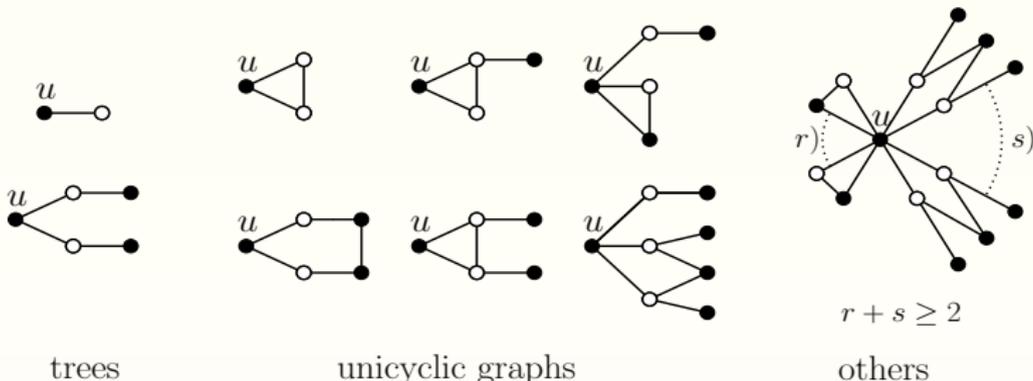
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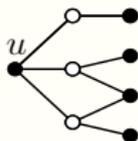
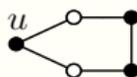
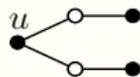
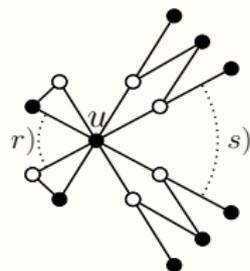
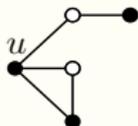
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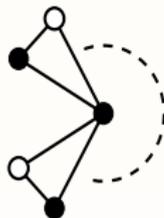
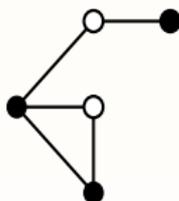
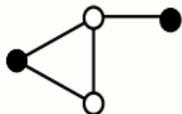
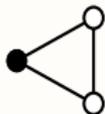


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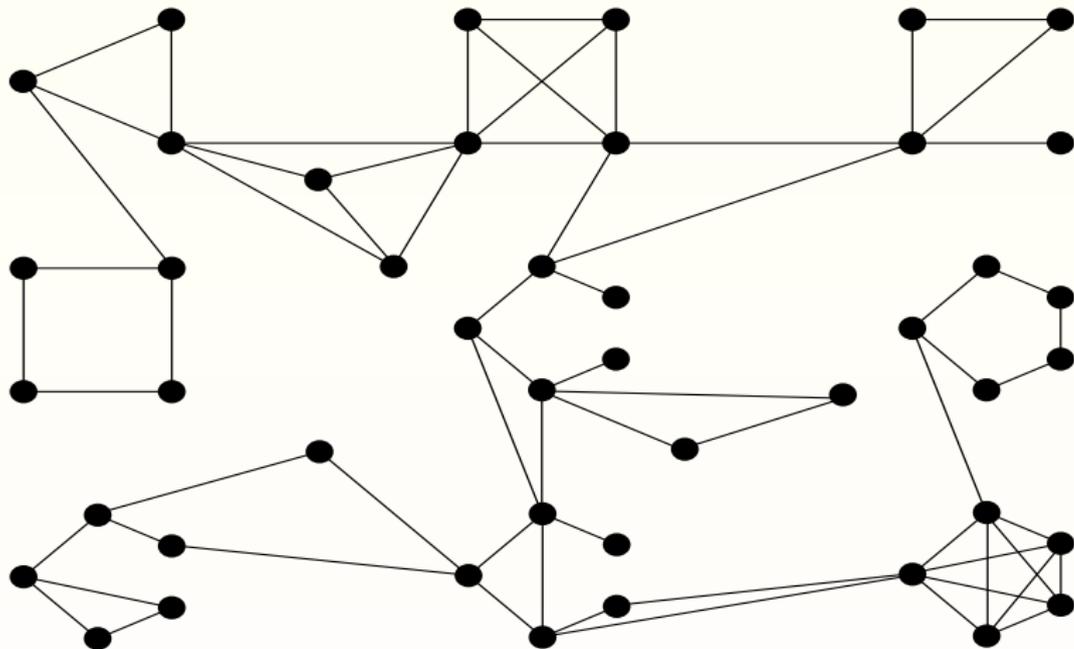
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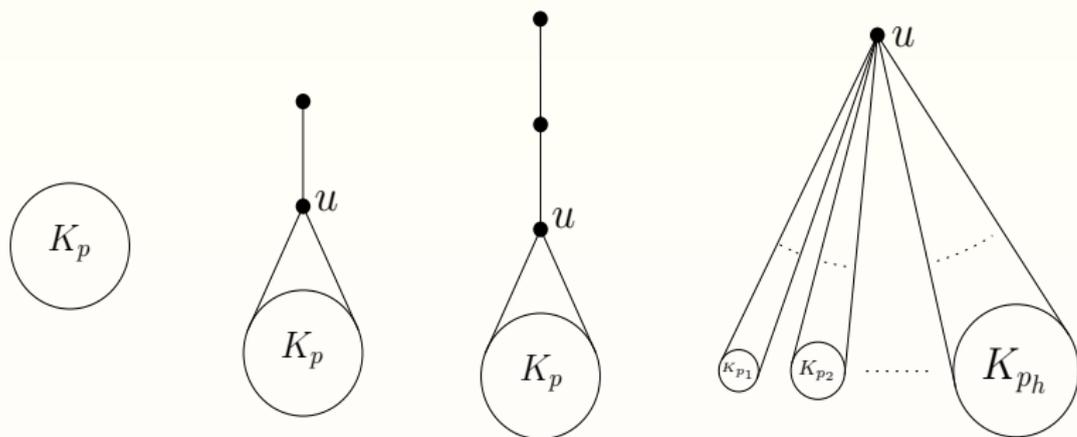


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