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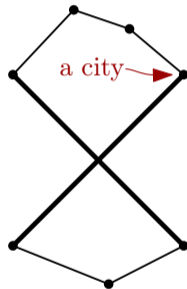
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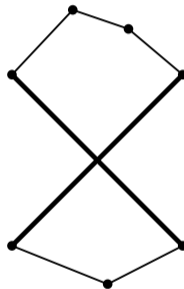
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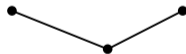
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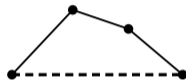


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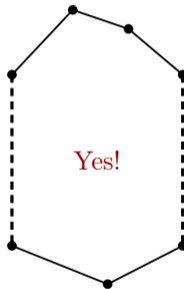
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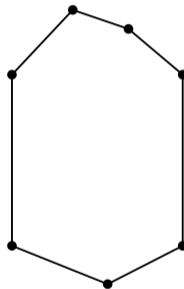
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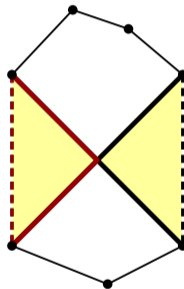


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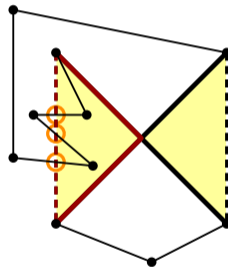


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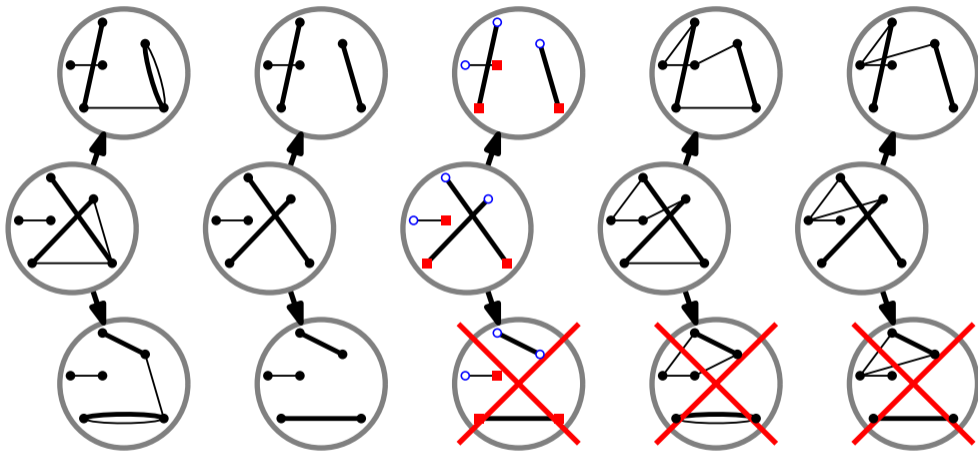
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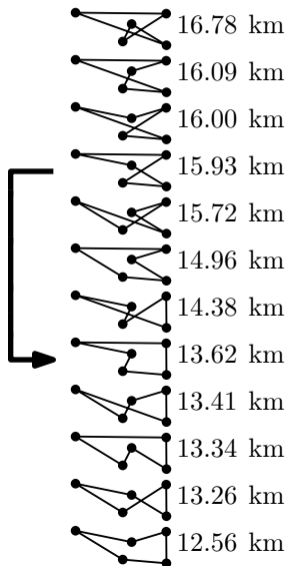
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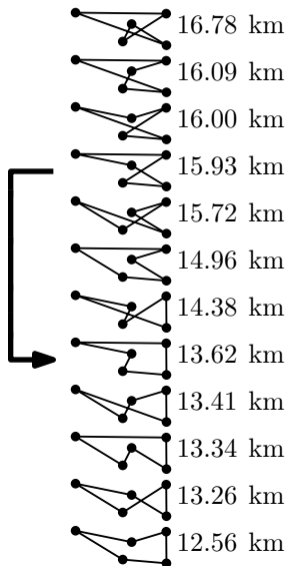
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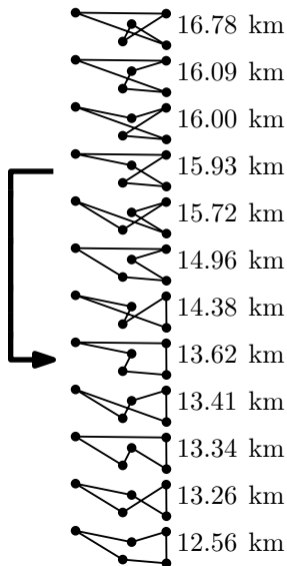
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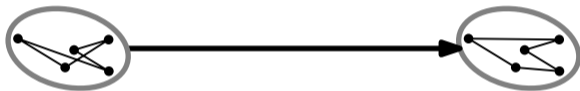
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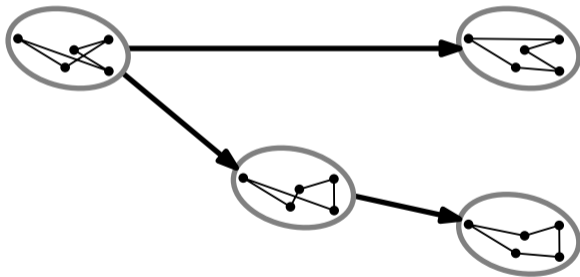
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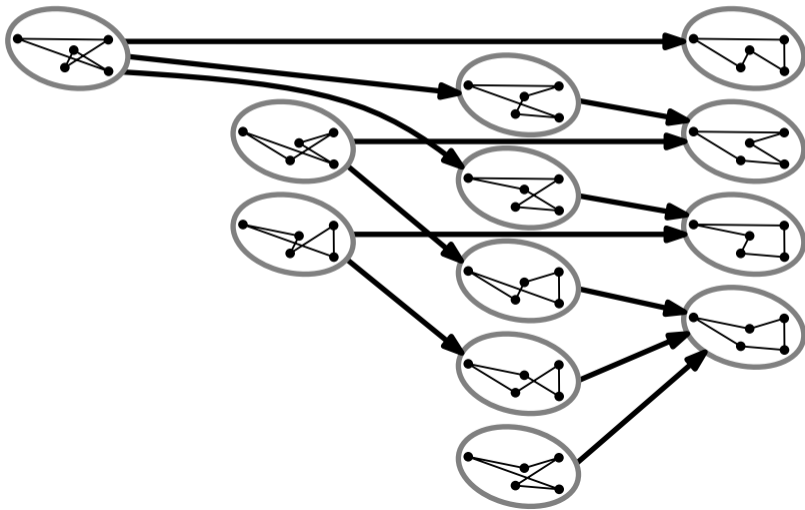
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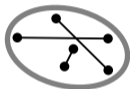
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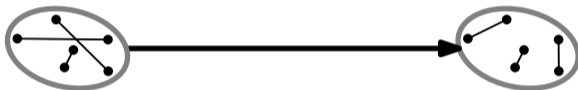
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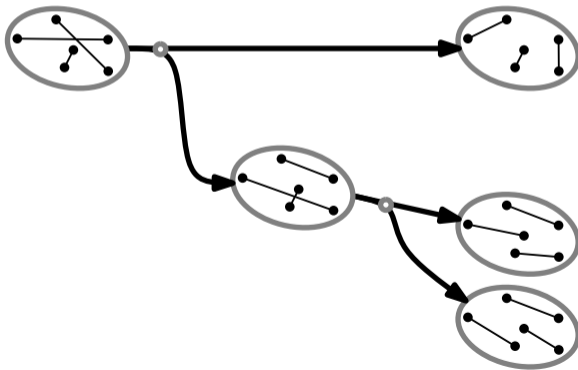
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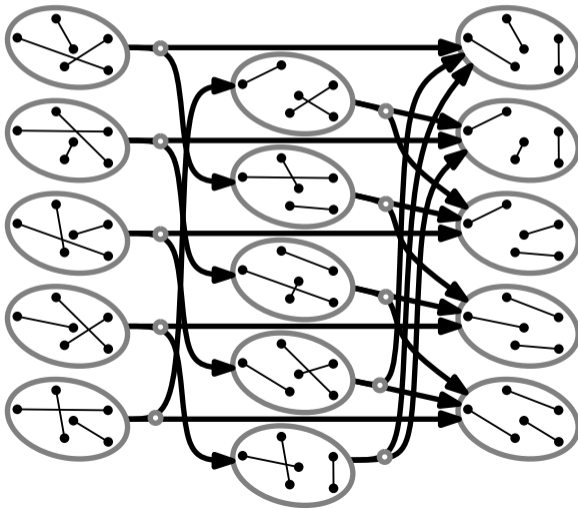
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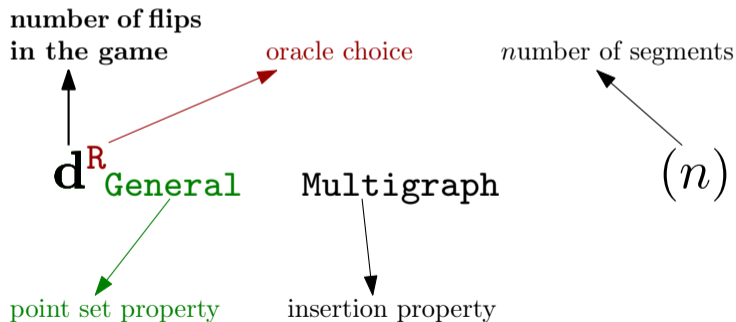
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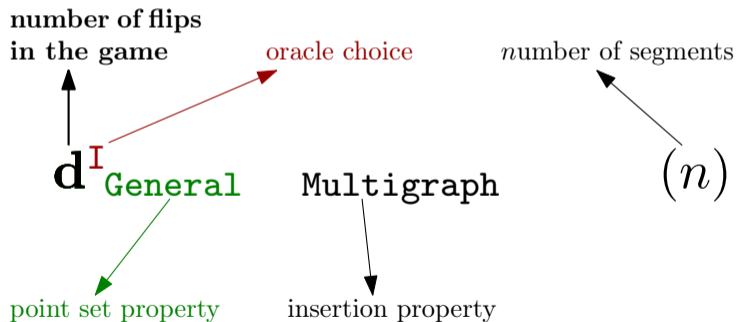
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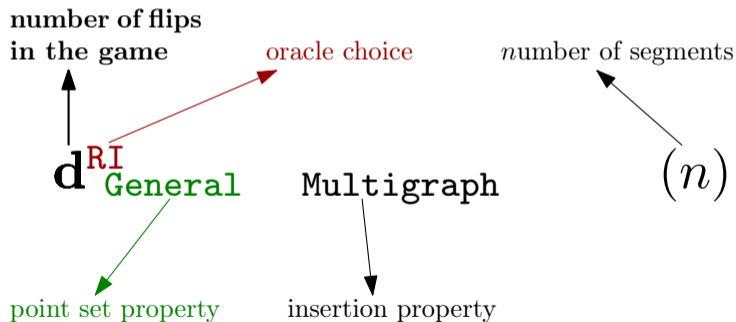
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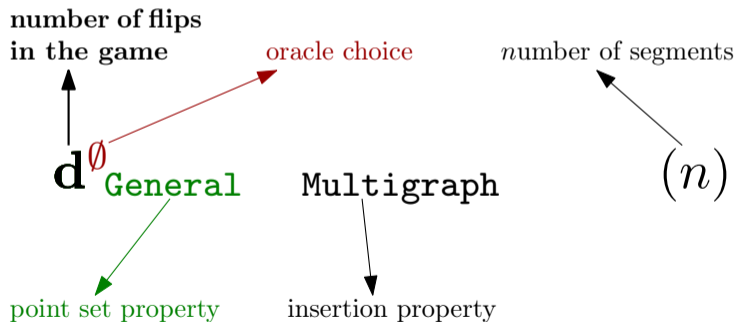
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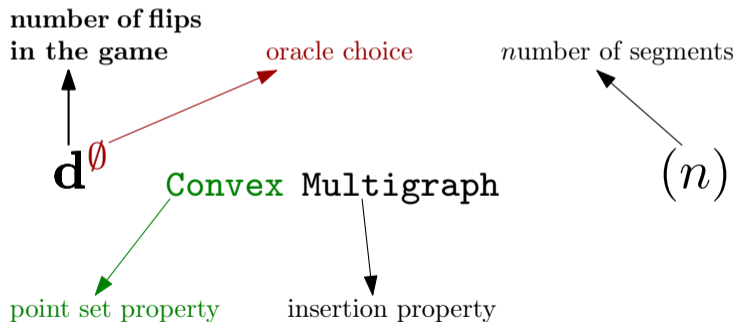
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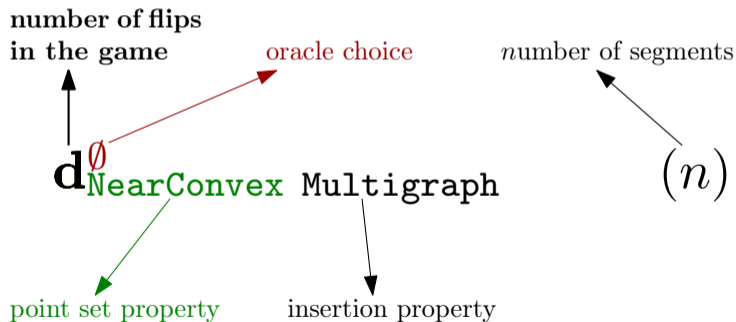
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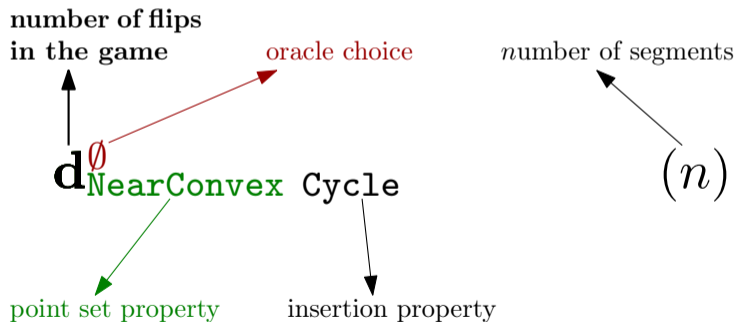
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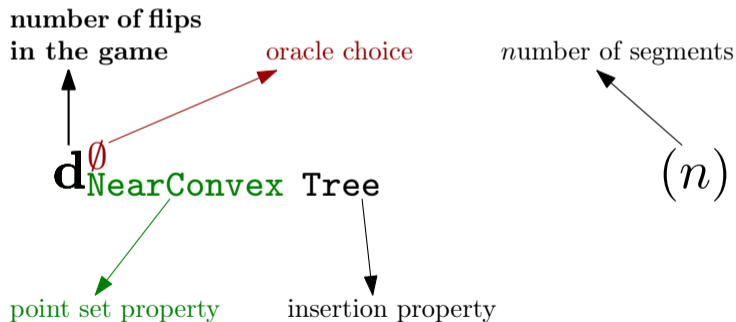
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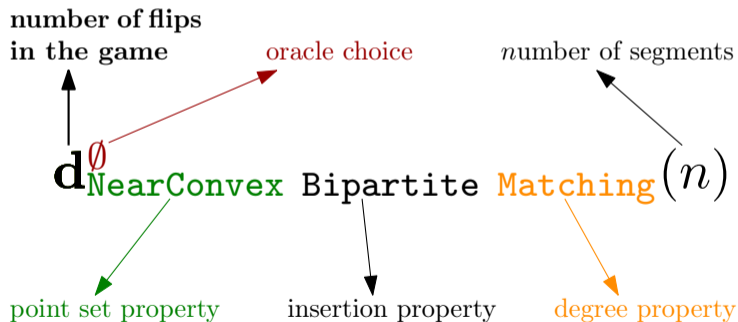
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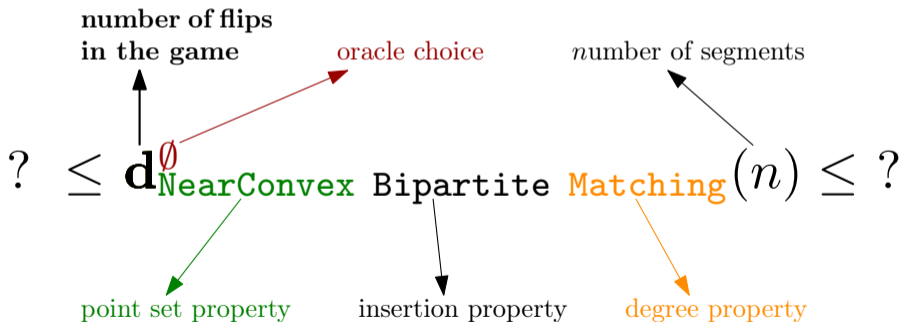
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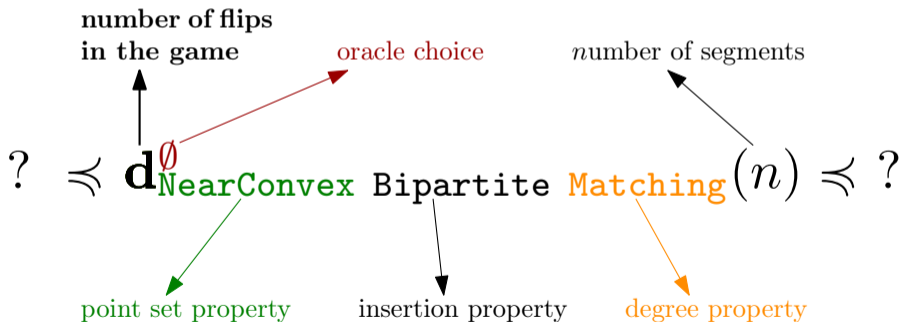
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Π : conjunction of the point set,
insertion, and degree properties.

S : the n segments to untangle.

r : a removal strategy.

i : an insertion strategy.

k : the number of flips to untangle
 S with the strategies r, i .

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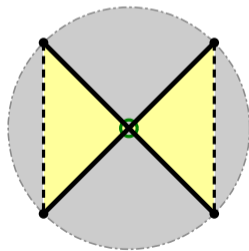

$$d_{\text{Convex Multigraph}}^{\emptyset}(n) \leq \binom{n}{2} \asymp n^2$$

- A *crossing*: an intersecting pair of segments with **no endpoint** in the intersection.
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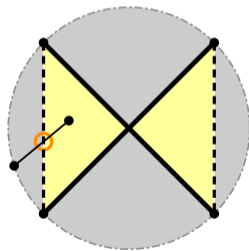
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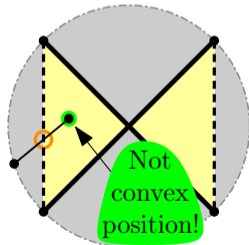
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- P : the point set.

Theorem (3.1.3)

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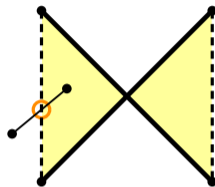
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- Λ_{ℓ} : number of segments crossed by the line ℓ
- A flip decreases Λ_{ℓ} by 0,
- L : the $\binom{|P|}{2}$ lines through two points of P .
- $\Lambda_L = \sum_{\ell \in L} \Lambda_{\ell}$
- At most n crossings per line $\implies \Lambda_L \leq n \binom{|P|}{2}$.
- Λ_L decreases by at least 2 at each flip.



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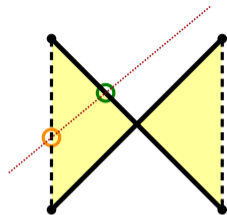
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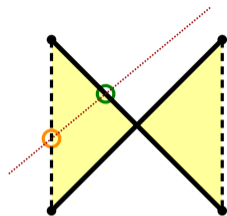
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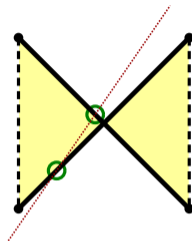
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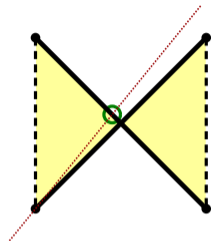
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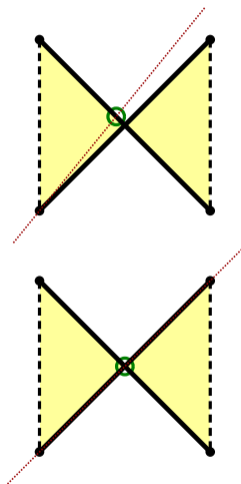
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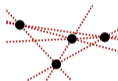
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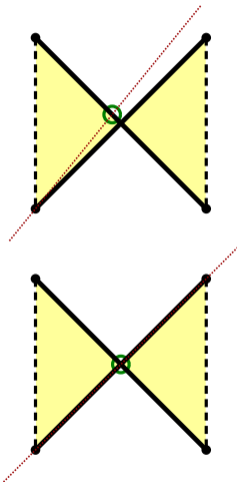
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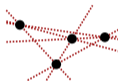
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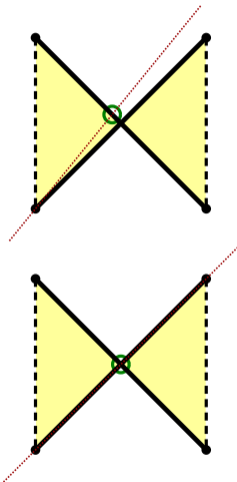
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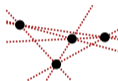
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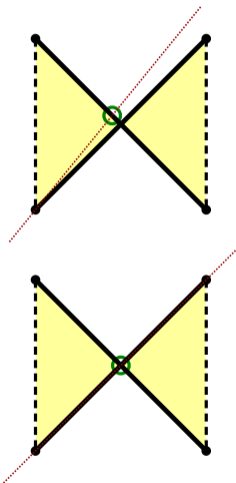
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2007, 2009: Exact Value of $d_{\text{Convex Cycle}}^R(n)$


[The Number of Flips Required to Obtain Non-crossing Convex Cycles –


Yoshiaki Oda, Mamoru Watanabe]


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Theorem (3.2.4; 3.2.7; 3.2.9)

$$n - 2 \leq d_{\text{Convex Cycle}}^R(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq 7$$


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[*Flip Distance to a Non-crossing Perfect Matching* – Édouard Bonnet, Tillmann Miltzow]


Theorem (3.1.4; 3.2.1; 3.2.12; 3.2.12; 3.2.12; 3.2.12)


$$\text{d}_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\text{I}}(n) \leq \frac{n}{2}(|P| - 2) \asymp n |P| \asymp n^2$$


$$n^2 \asymp \binom{n}{2} \leq \text{d}_{\text{Convex Permutation Matching}}^{\emptyset}(n)$$


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- P : the point set.
- $\sigma(P)$: the spread of P , i.e., the ratio between the distance of farthest and the closest pair of points.
- $\sqrt{n} \preccurlyeq \sigma(P)$


Theorem (3.1.5; 3.2.2; 3.2.10; 3.2.11; 3.2.13; 3.3.1)




$$d_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\text{I}}(n) \preccurlyeq n\sigma(P)$$




$$d_{\text{Convex Multigraph}}^{\emptyset}(n) \leq \binom{n}{2} \preccurlyeq n^2$$




$$d_{\text{Convex Bipartite Matching}}^{\text{R}}(n) \leq 2n - 3 \preccurlyeq n$$



$$d_{\text{Convex Tree}}^{\text{R}}(n) \preccurlyeq n \log n$$



$$d_{\text{Convex Multigraph}}^{\text{RI}}(n) \leq n - 1 \preccurlyeq n$$



$$d_{\text{Redoneline Matching}}^{\text{R}}(n) \leq n(n - 1) \preccurlyeq n^2$$

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- [1]: *Complexity Results on Untangling Red-Blue Matchings* –
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(LATIN 2022 & Computational Geometry 2022).
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Problem (1)

Let $\alpha \geq 1$ be a constant.

Input: S , a set of segments with rational coordinates forming a bipartite matching.

Output: An untangle sequence starting at S of length at most α times that of the *shortest* untangle sequence of S .

Theorem (8.0.1 [1])

Problem 1 is *NP-hard* for all $\alpha \geq 1$.

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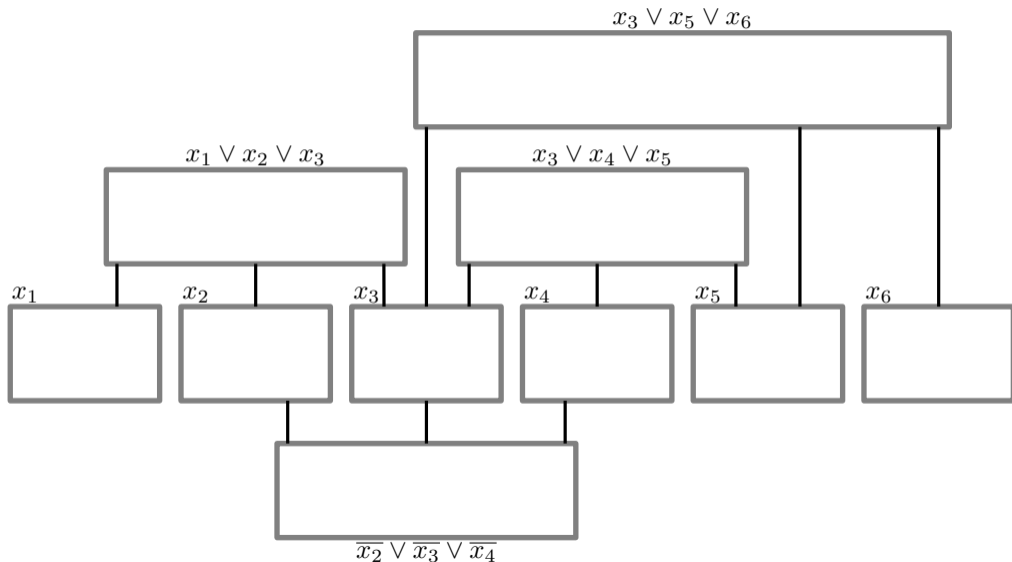
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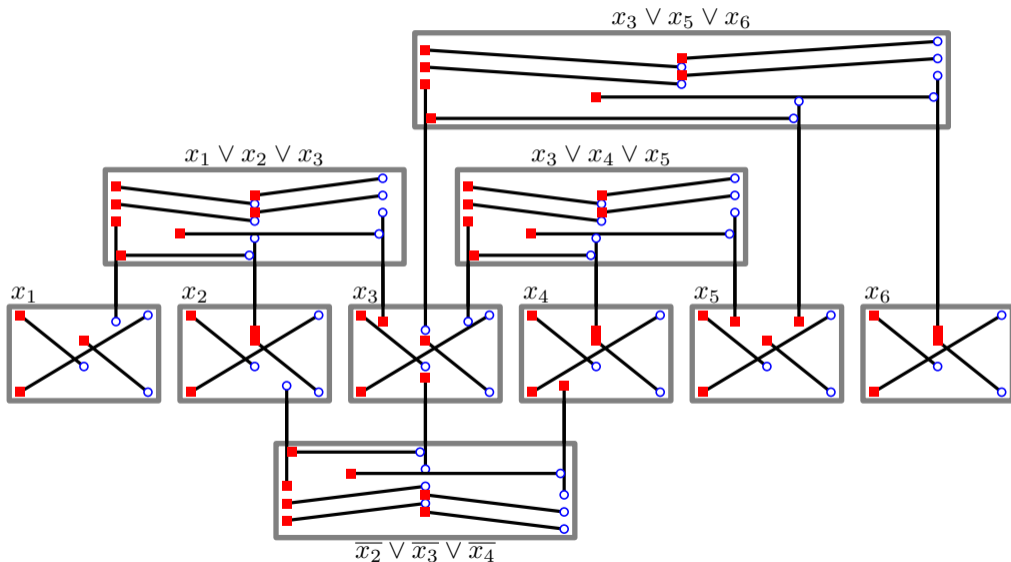
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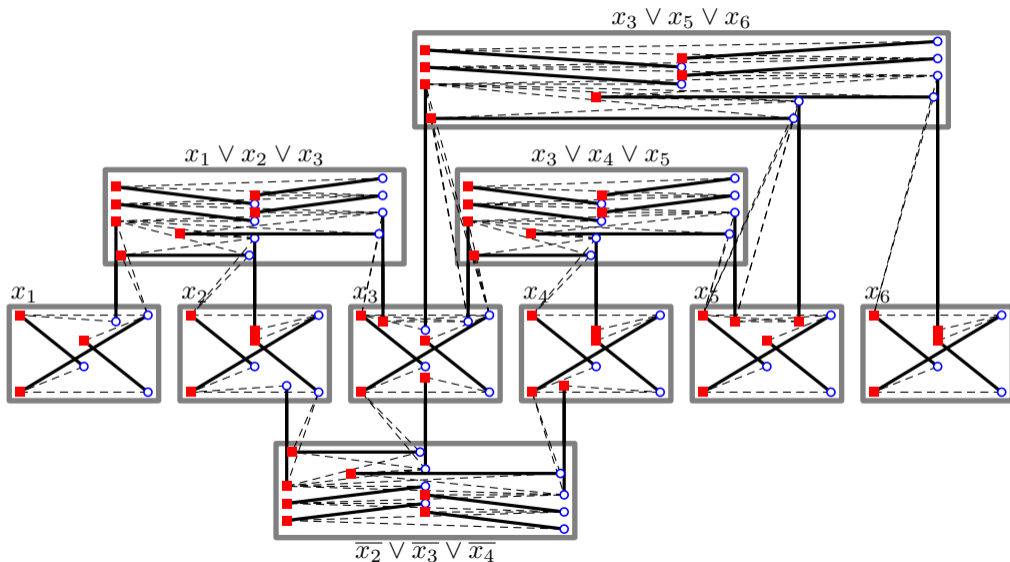
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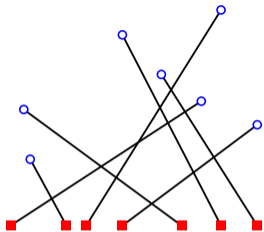
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$$d_{\text{Redoneline Matching}}^{\emptyset}(n) \leq \binom{n}{2} \frac{n+4}{6} \asymp n^3$$



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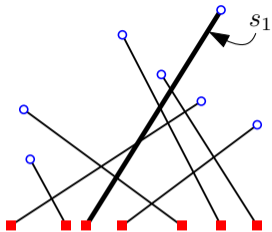
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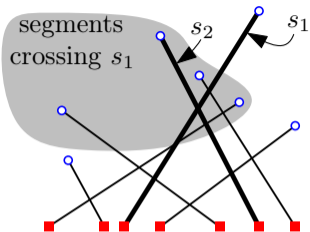
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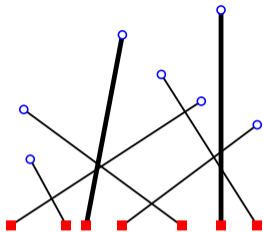
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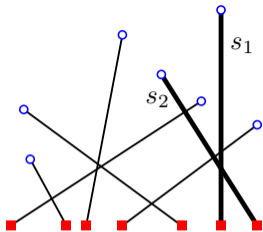
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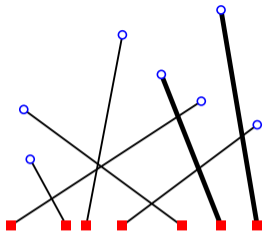
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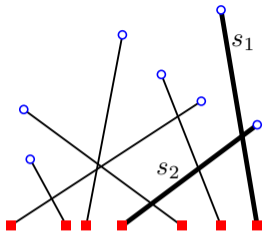
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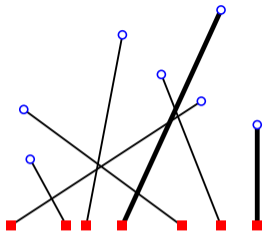
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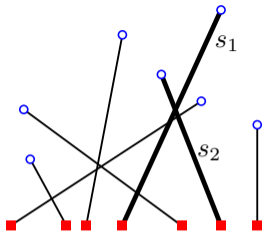
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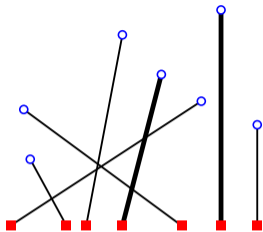
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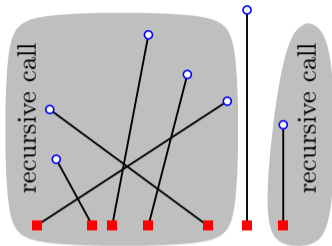
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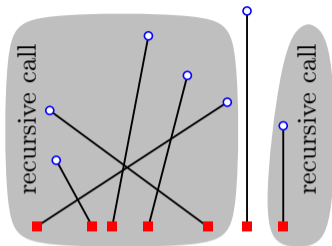
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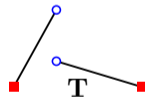
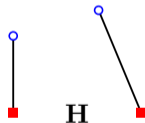
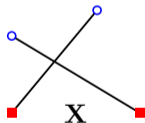
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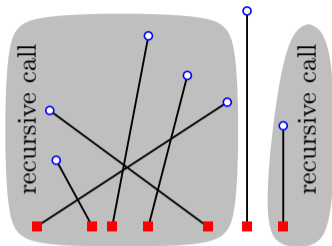
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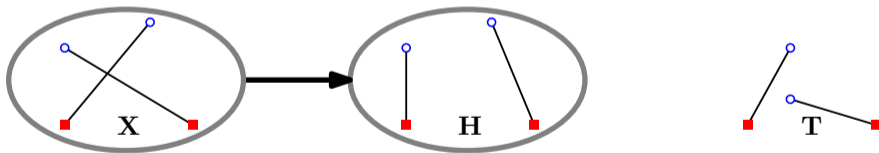
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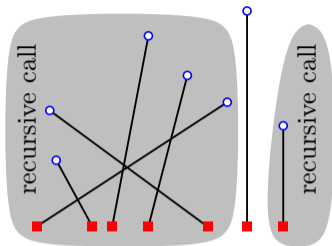
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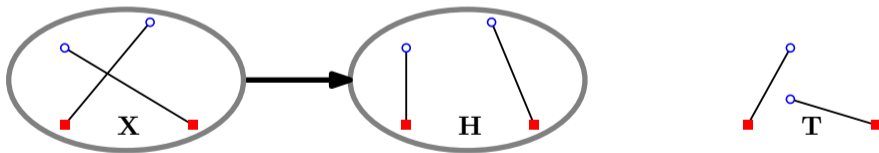
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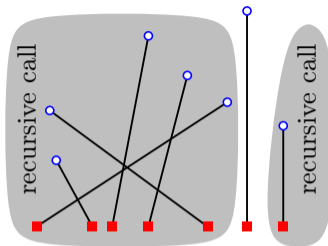
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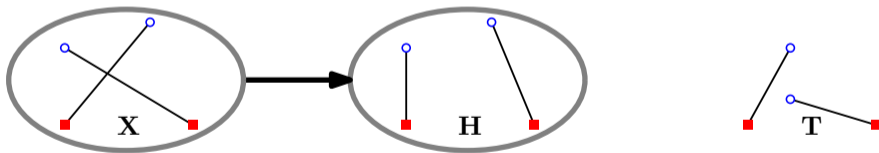
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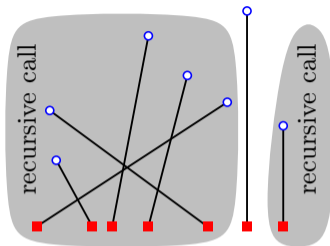
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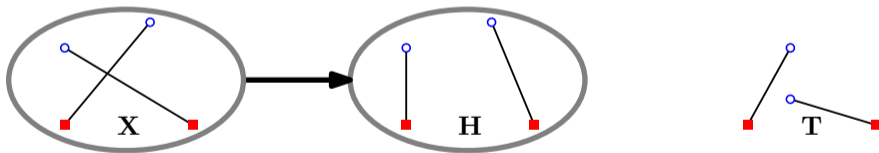
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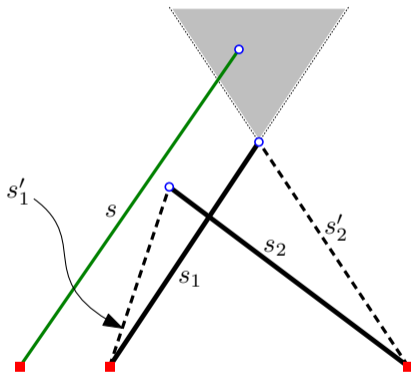
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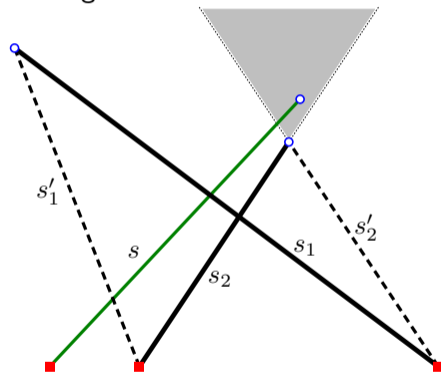


- Does the number of **H**-pairs *always increase*?
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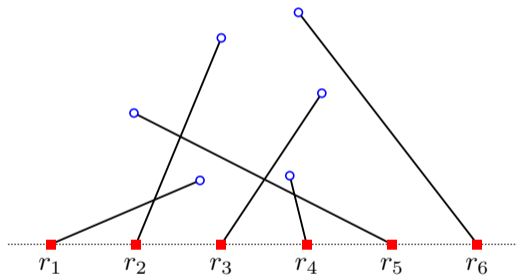
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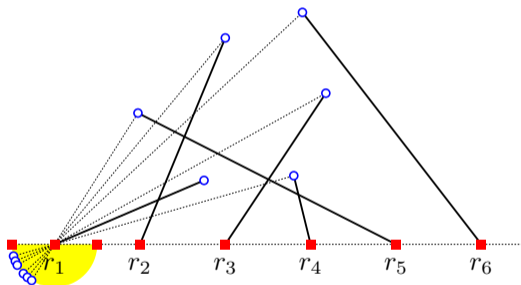
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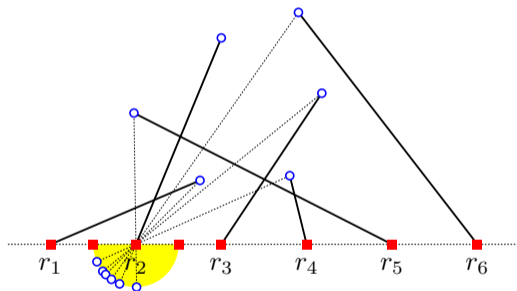
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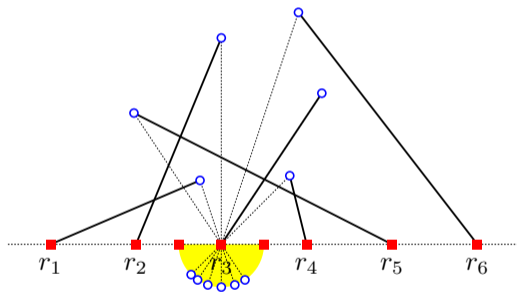
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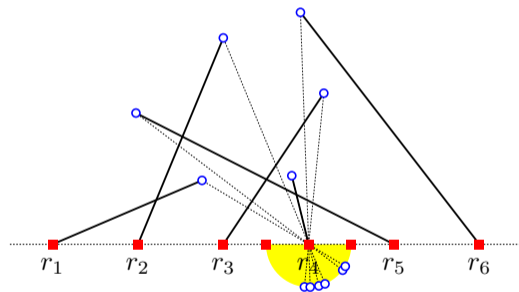
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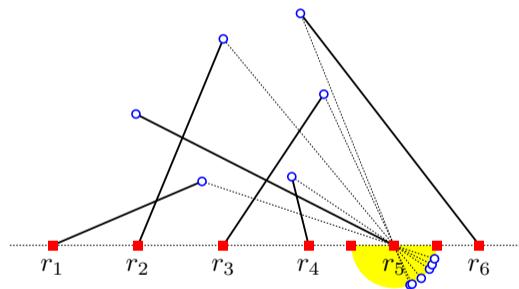
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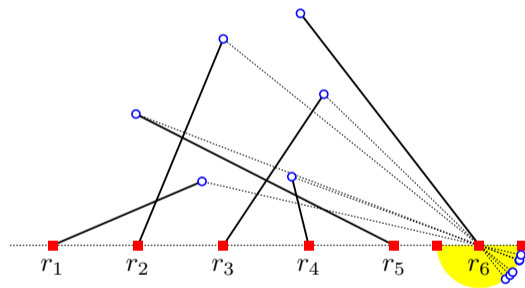
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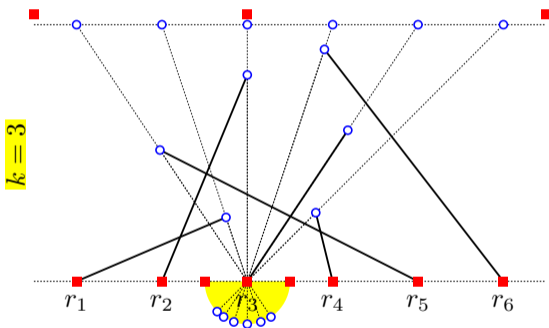
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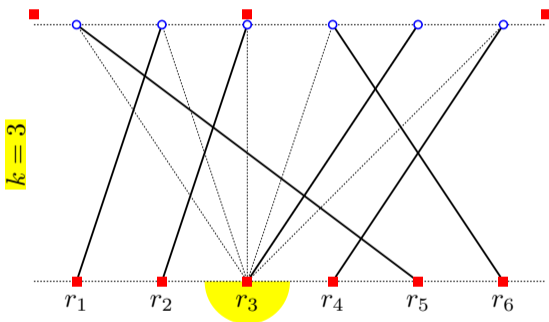
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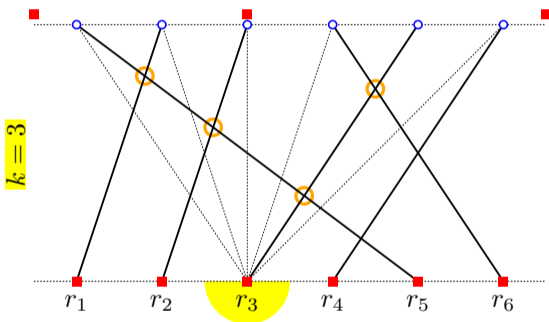
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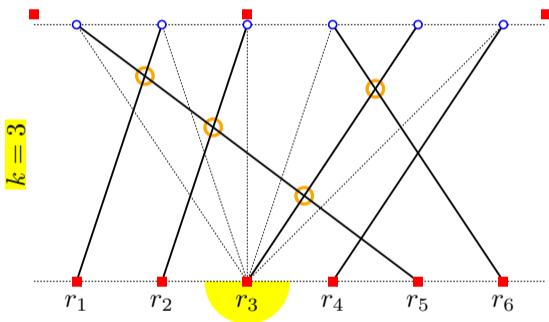
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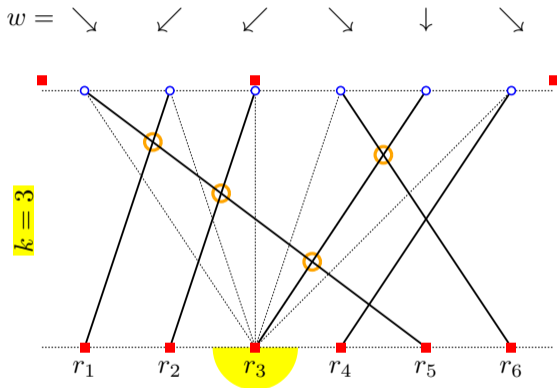
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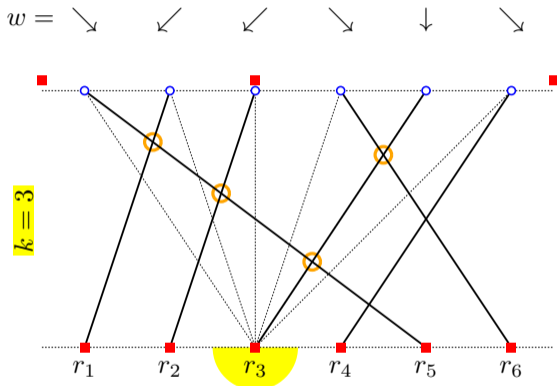
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- C : the point set in convex position.



Theorem (5.2.1 [3]; 5.3.1; 6.1.1 [3])

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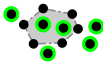
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- t : sum of the degrees of the points in T .

Theorem (4.3.1 [2])



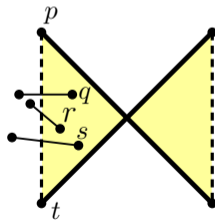
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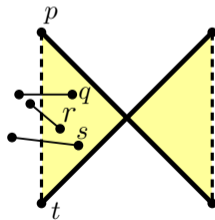
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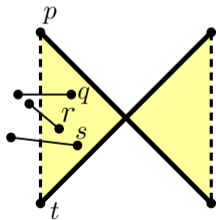
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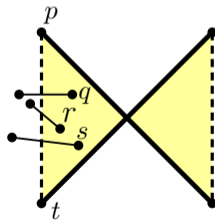
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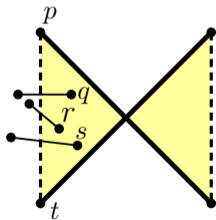
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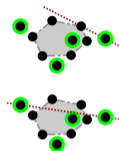
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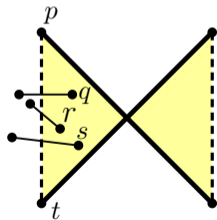


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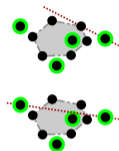
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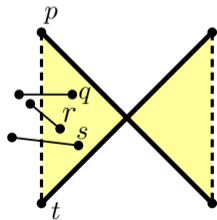
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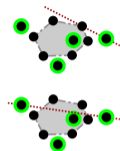
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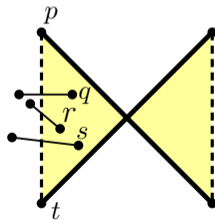
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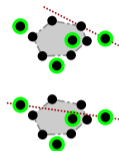
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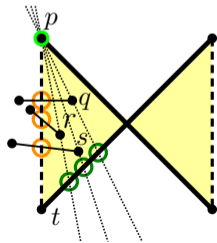
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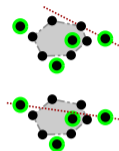
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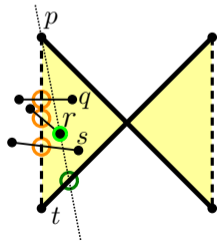
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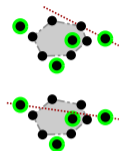
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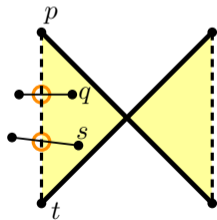
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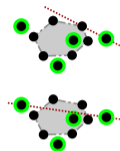
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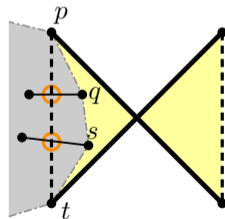
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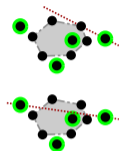
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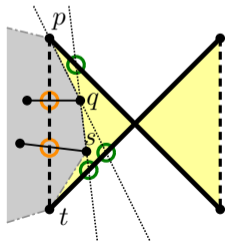
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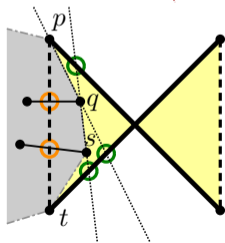
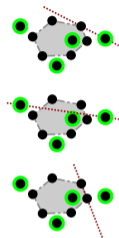
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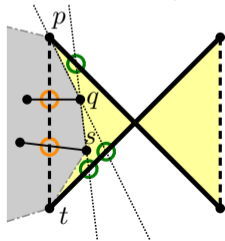
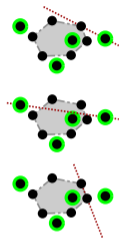
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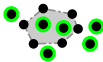
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Theorem (5.4.2 [3]; 5.5.2 [3]; 5.6.1 [3]; 5.7.1 [3])




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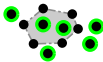
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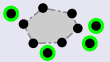
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$$d_{\text{Separated Multigraph}}^{\text{I}}(n, t) \preccurlyeq t |P| \log |C| + n \log |C| \preccurlyeq tn \log n$$


$$d_{\text{Separated Multigraph}}^{\text{RI}}(n, t) \preccurlyeq n + t |P| \preccurlyeq tn$$


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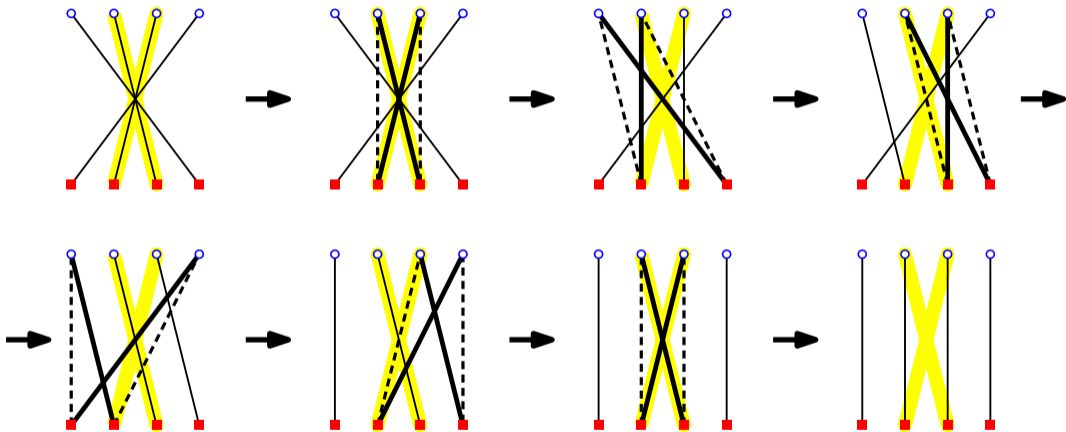
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In the Multigraph version, any untangle sequence of n segments has $O(n^{8/3})$ distinct flips, i.e. :

$$\left\{ \mathbf{d}_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\emptyset}(n) \right\}_{\text{distinct}} \preceq n^{8/3}.$$


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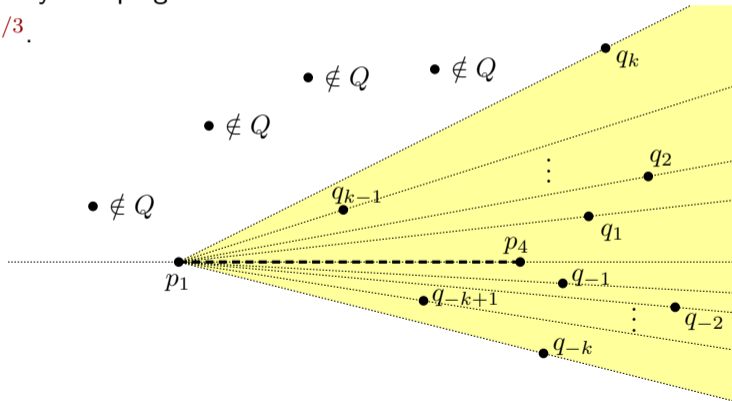
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$$n^2 \asymp \frac{3}{2} \binom{n}{2} - \frac{n}{4} \leq \mathbf{d}_{\text{Redonline Matching}}^\emptyset(n) \quad \text{for even } n$$


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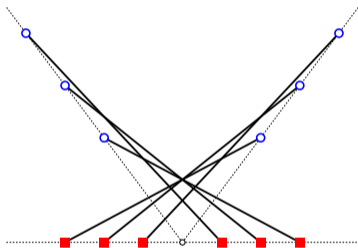
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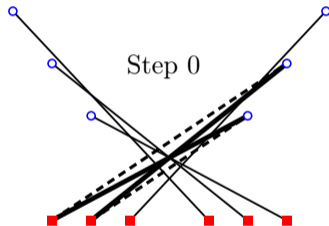
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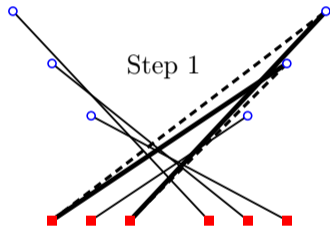
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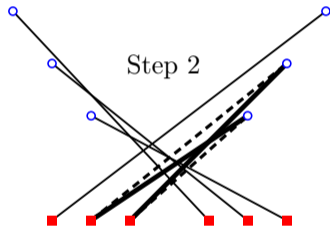
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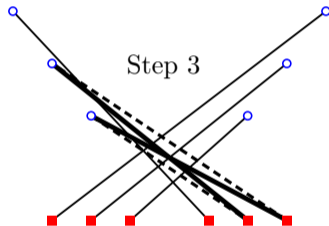
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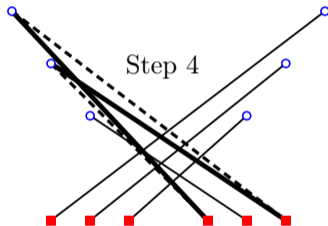
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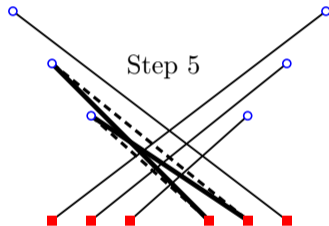
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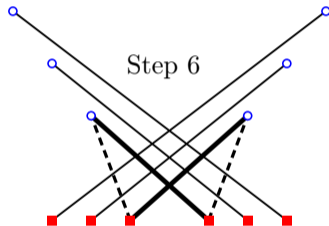
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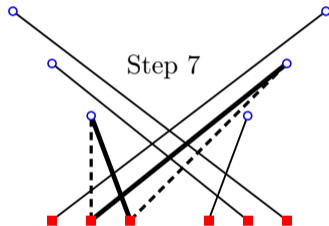
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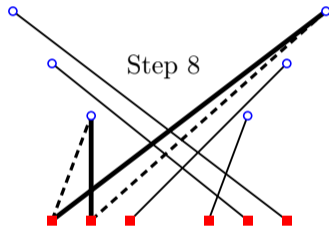
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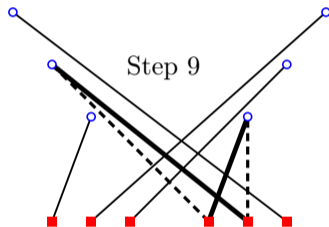
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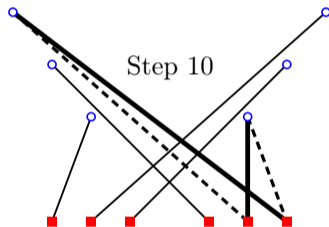
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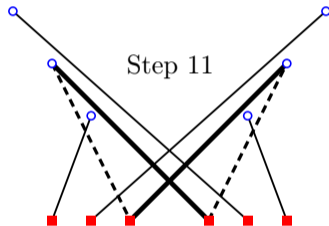
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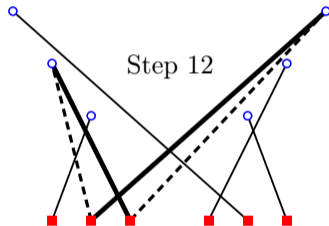
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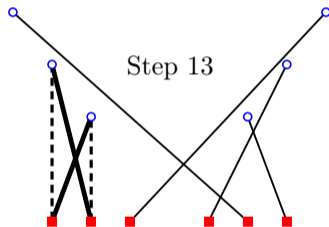
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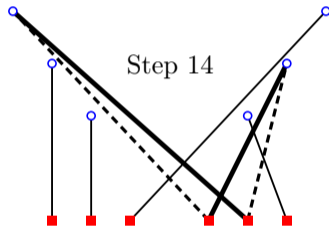
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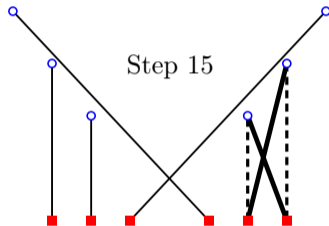
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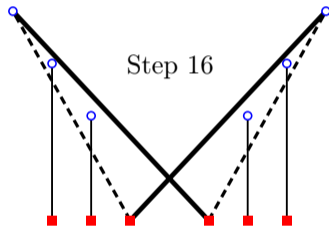
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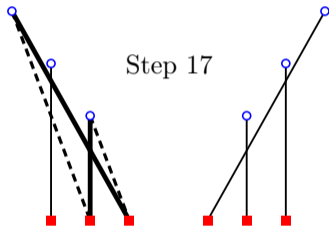
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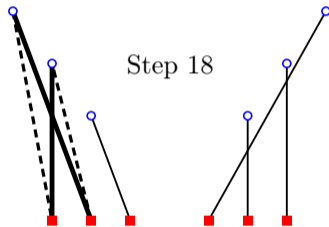
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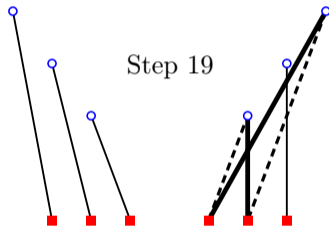
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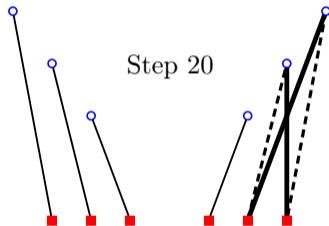
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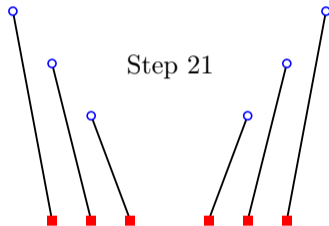
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Theorem (5.1.1 [1])

$$n \preccurlyeq \frac{3}{2}n - 2 \leq \mathbf{d}_{\text{Convex Bipartite Matching}}^{\mathbf{R}}(n) \quad \text{for even } n$$


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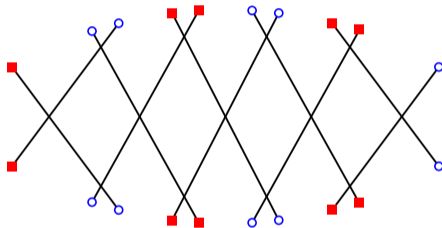
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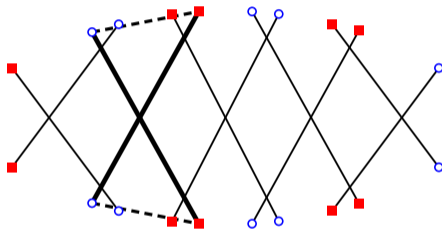
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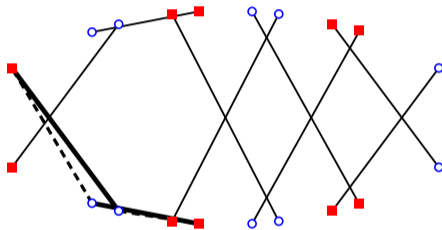
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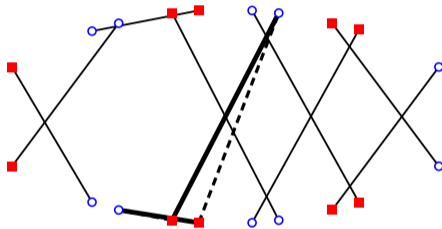
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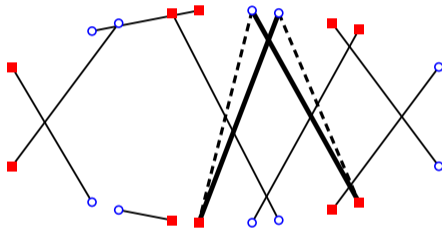
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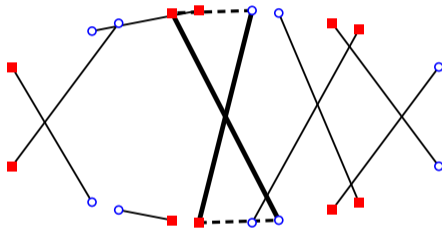
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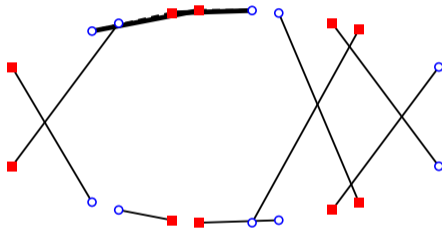
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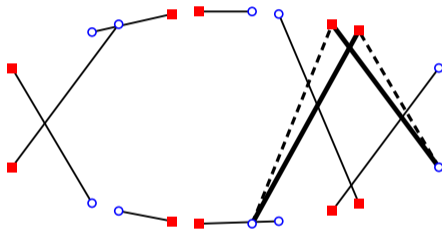
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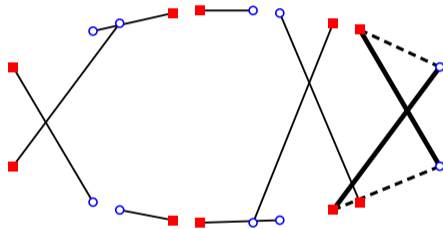
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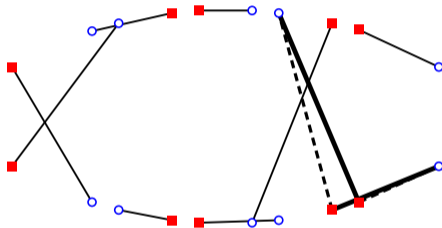
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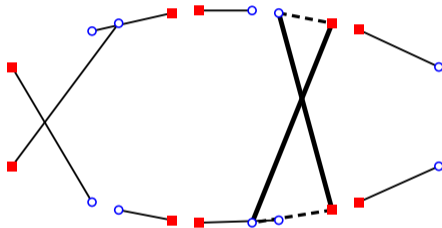
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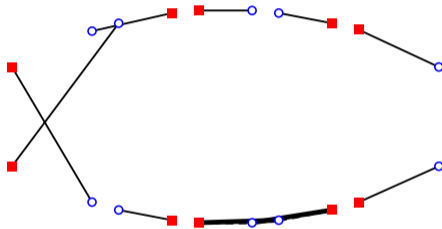
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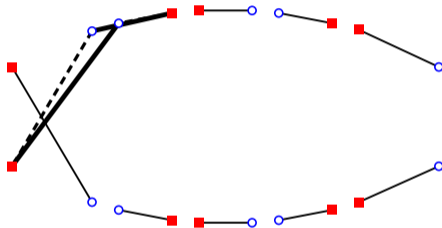
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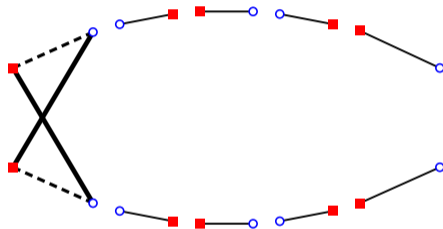
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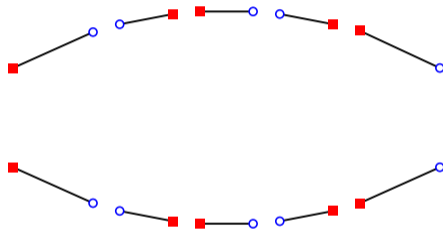
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Lemma (2.3.1 [2]; 2.3.2 [2]; 2.3.3 [2])

The following inequalities hold for any non-negative integer n , and for any two properties Π, Π' such that $\Pi \implies \Pi'$, and for any Choices $\in \{\emptyset, R, I, RI\}$.

$$d_{\Pi}^{RI}(n) \leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d_{\Pi}^R(n) \\ d_{\Pi}^I(n) \end{array} \right\} \leq d_{\Pi}^{\emptyset}(n) \quad (\text{choice reductions})$$

$$d_{\Pi}^{\text{Choices}}(n) \leq d_{\Pi'}^{\text{Choices}}(n) \quad (\text{property reductions})$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\Pi}^{RI} \text{ Matching}(n) &\leq d_{\Pi}^R \text{ Bipartite Matching}(n) \\ d_{\Pi}^I \text{ Matching}(n) &\leq d_{\Pi}^{\emptyset} \text{ Bipartite Matching}(n) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{transfer reductions})$$

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Theorem (4.1.1 [2])

For all n and for Π being either the empty property or the Convex property:

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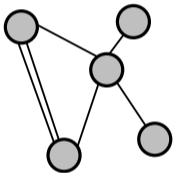
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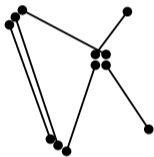
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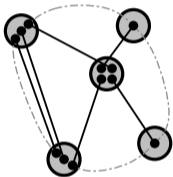
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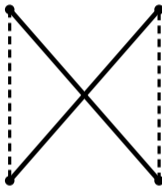
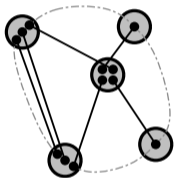
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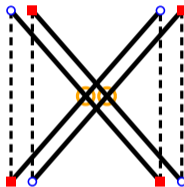
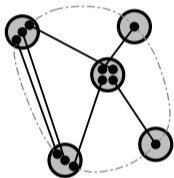
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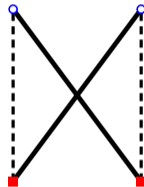
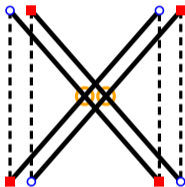
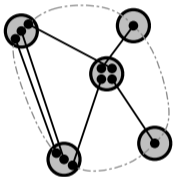
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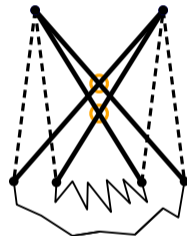
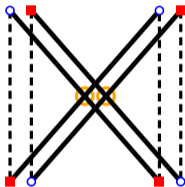
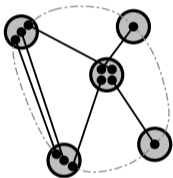
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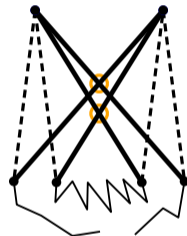
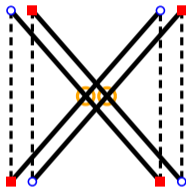
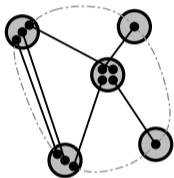
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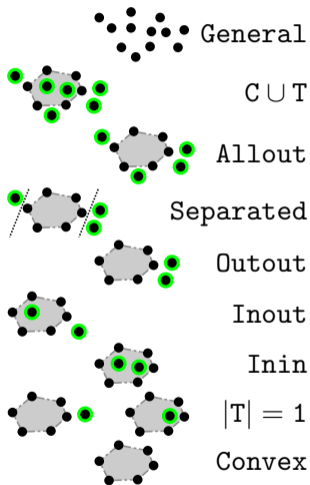
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Asymptotic Bounds for Multigraphs (Part 1)

	General	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n^2$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	CUT	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n^2$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Allout	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n^2$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Separated	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq tn$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq tn \log n$
	Outout	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq tn$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq tn \log n$
	Inout	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq t^2n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Inin	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq tn$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	$ T = 1$	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq tn$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Convex	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n \log n$

Asymptotic Bounds for Multigraphs (Part 2)



$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq n^3$$

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$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq tn^2$$

$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq 2^t n \log n$$

$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq t^2 n + n \log n$$

$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq tn + n \log n$$

$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq tn + n \log n$$

$$n \preccurlyeq d^R \preccurlyeq n \log n$$

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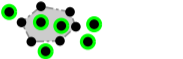







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	C U T	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n^2$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Allout	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq t^3 n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Separated	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq tn$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq tn \log n$
	Outout	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n \log n$
	Inout	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Inin	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	$ T = 1$	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n^2$
	Convex	$n \preccurlyeq d^{RI} \preccurlyeq n$	$n \preccurlyeq d^I \preccurlyeq n \log n$

Asymptotic Bounds for Matchings (Part 2)

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	CUT	$n \asymp d^R \asymp tn^2$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Allout	$n \asymp d^R \asymp tn^2$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Separated	$n \asymp d^R \asymp tn^2$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Outout	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n \log n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Inout	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n \log n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Inin	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n \log n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	$ T = 1$	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n \log n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Convex	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n \log n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp n^2$

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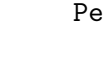

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Asymptotic Bounds for Bipartite Matchings

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	Separated	$n \asymp d^R \asymp tn^2$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Outout	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Inout	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Inin	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	$ T = 1$	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp tn^2$
	Convex	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp n^2$
	Permutation	$n \asymp d^R \asymp n$	$n^2 \asymp d^\emptyset \asymp n^2$

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$$n^2 \asymp \mathbf{d}_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\emptyset} \asymp n^2 \asymp n^3$$

$$n \asymp \mathbf{d}_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\text{R}} \asymp n \text{ or } n \log n \asymp n^3$$

$$n \asymp \mathbf{d}_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\text{I}} \asymp n \text{ or } n \log n \asymp n^2$$

$$n \asymp \mathbf{d}_{\text{Multigraph}}^{\text{RI}} \asymp n \asymp n^2$$

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We know \mathcal{NP} -hardness for:

- The **shortest** untangle sequence in the **Bipartite Matching** version.

We conjecture \mathcal{NP} -hardness for:

- The **shortest** untangle sequence in **all other** versions.
- The **longest** untangle sequence in **all** versions.

We do not know \mathcal{NP} -hardness for:

- The shortest/longest untangle sequence in any version for **Convex** point sets.

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- **Smooth transitions** between Convex and General point sets?
- **No restriction** on the number/position of non-convex points?

- Which bound is tight?

$$n \asymp \mathbf{d}_{\text{Convex Multigraph}}^{\text{R}}(n) \asymp n \log n$$

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- Why a bound **specific to Matching**?
- A sub-quadratic upper bound on the **reuse of a given flip**?
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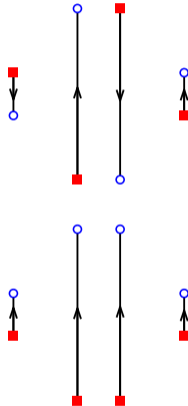
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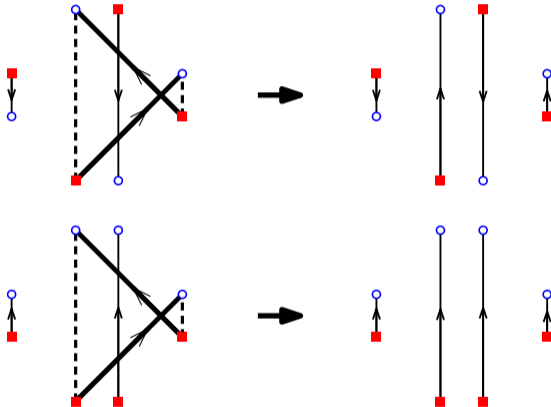
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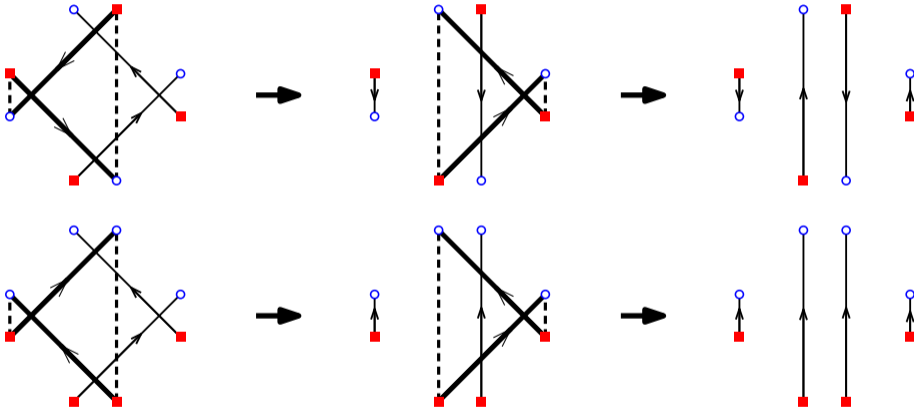
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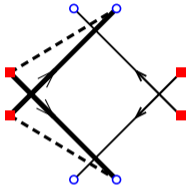
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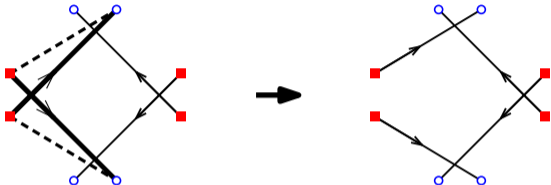
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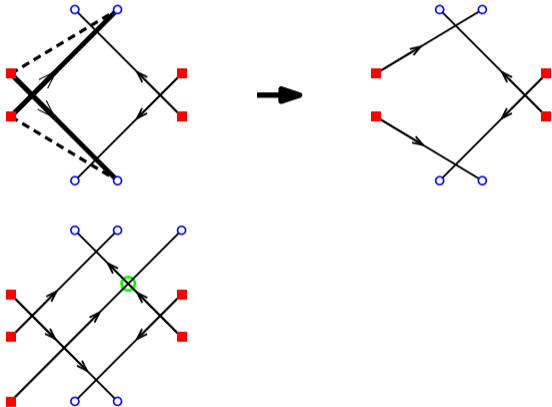
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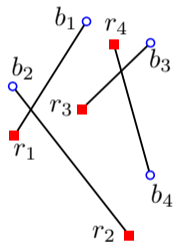
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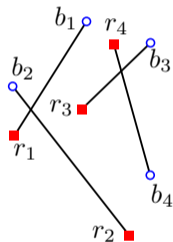
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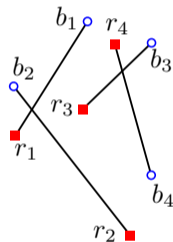
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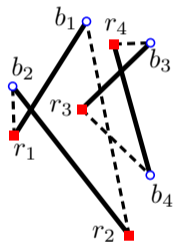
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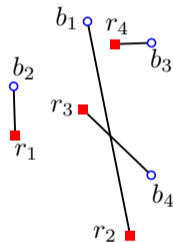
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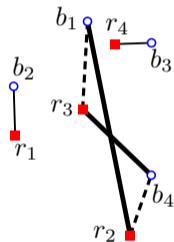
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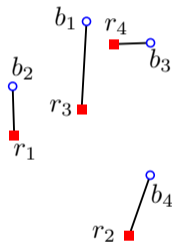
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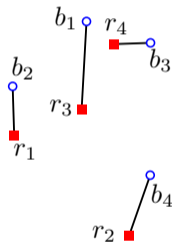
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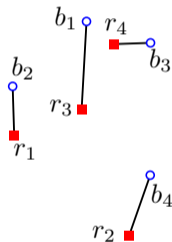
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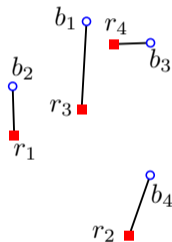
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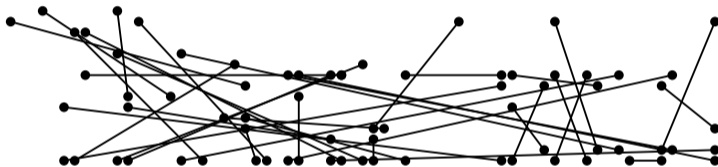
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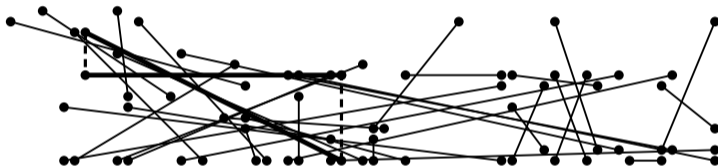
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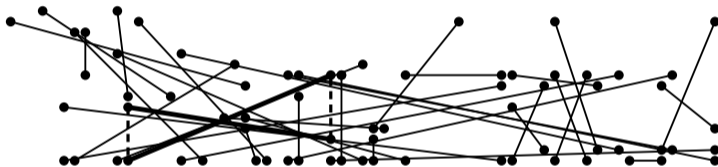
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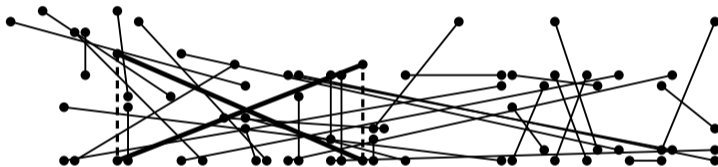
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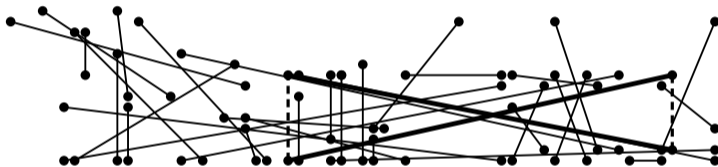


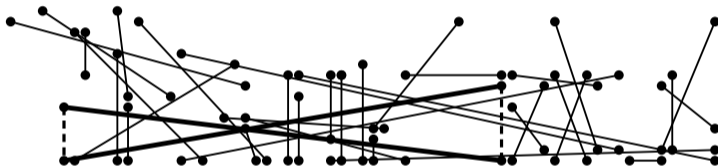
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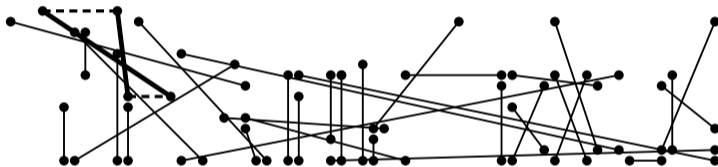
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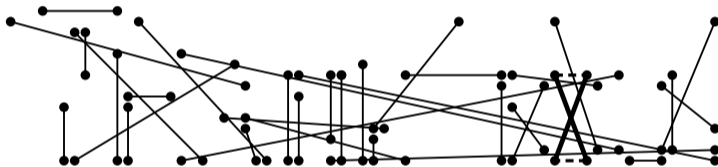
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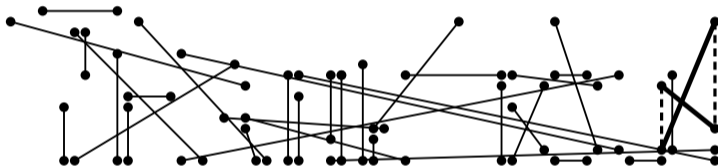
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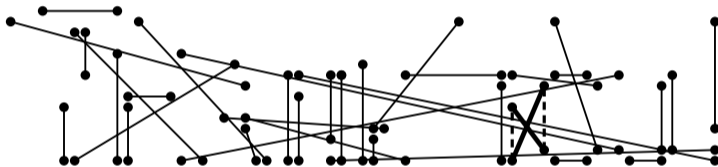
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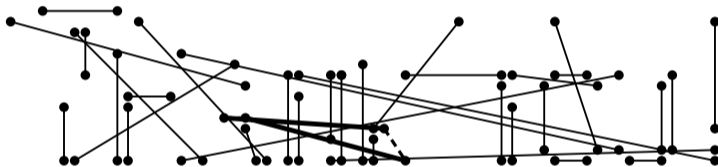
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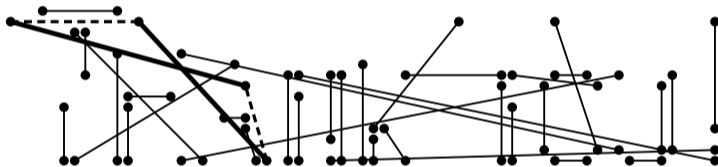
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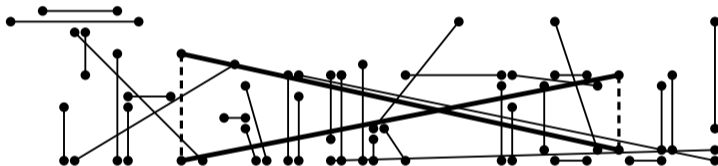
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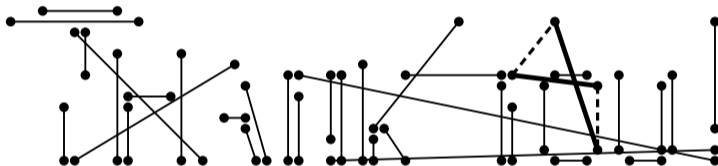
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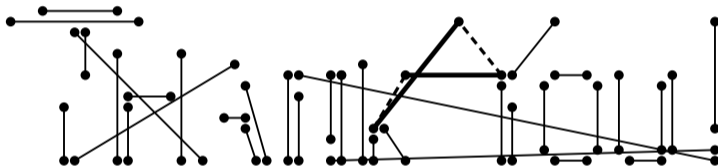
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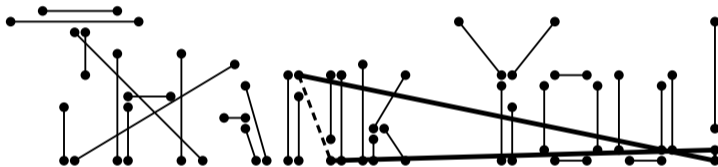
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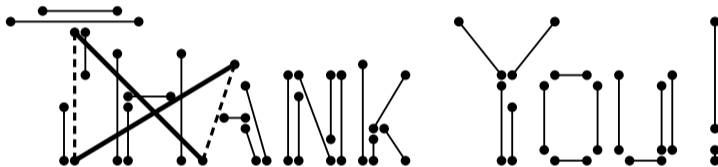
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