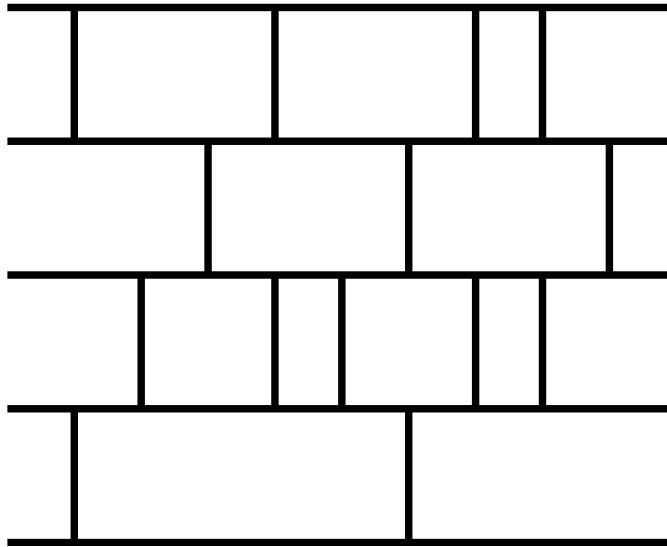


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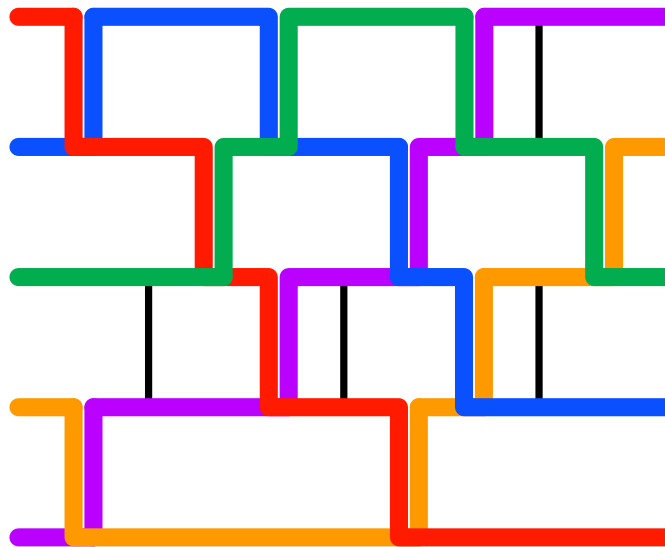
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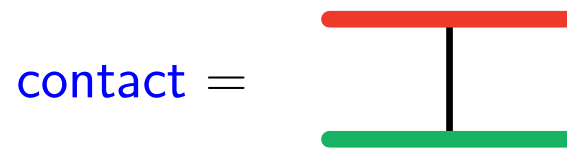
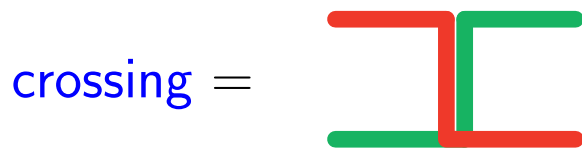
network $\mathcal{N} = n$ horizontal levels and m vertical commutators

bricks of $\mathcal{N} =$ bounded cells

PSEUDOLINE ARRANGEMENTS ON A NETWORK



pseudoline = abscissa-monotone path

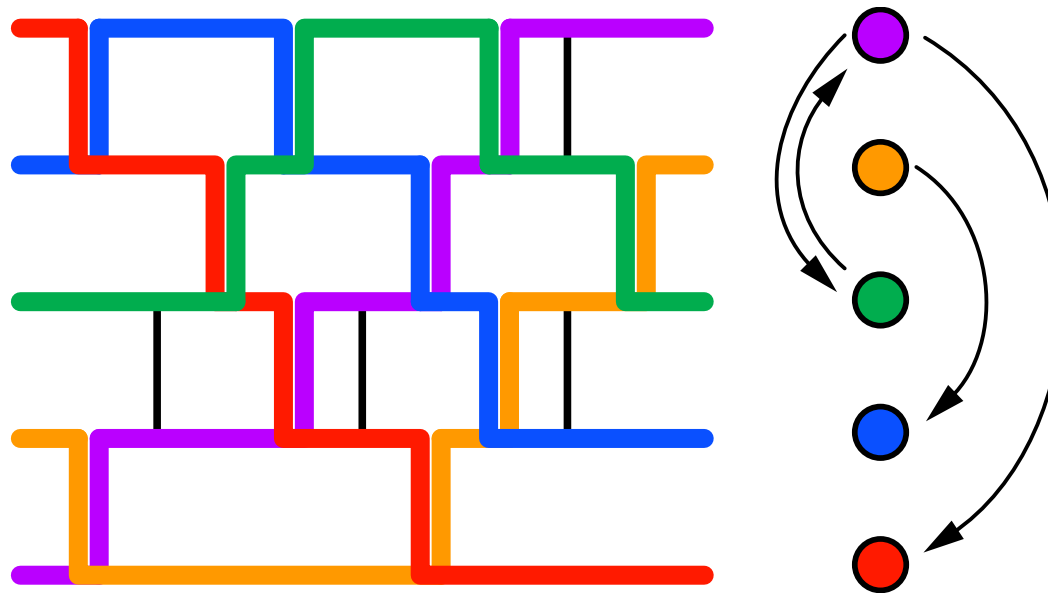


pseudoline arrangement (with contacts) = n pseudolines supported by \mathcal{N} which have pairwise exactly **one crossing**, possibly **some contacts**, and no other intersection

CONTACT GRAPH OF A PSEUDOLINE ARRANGEMENT

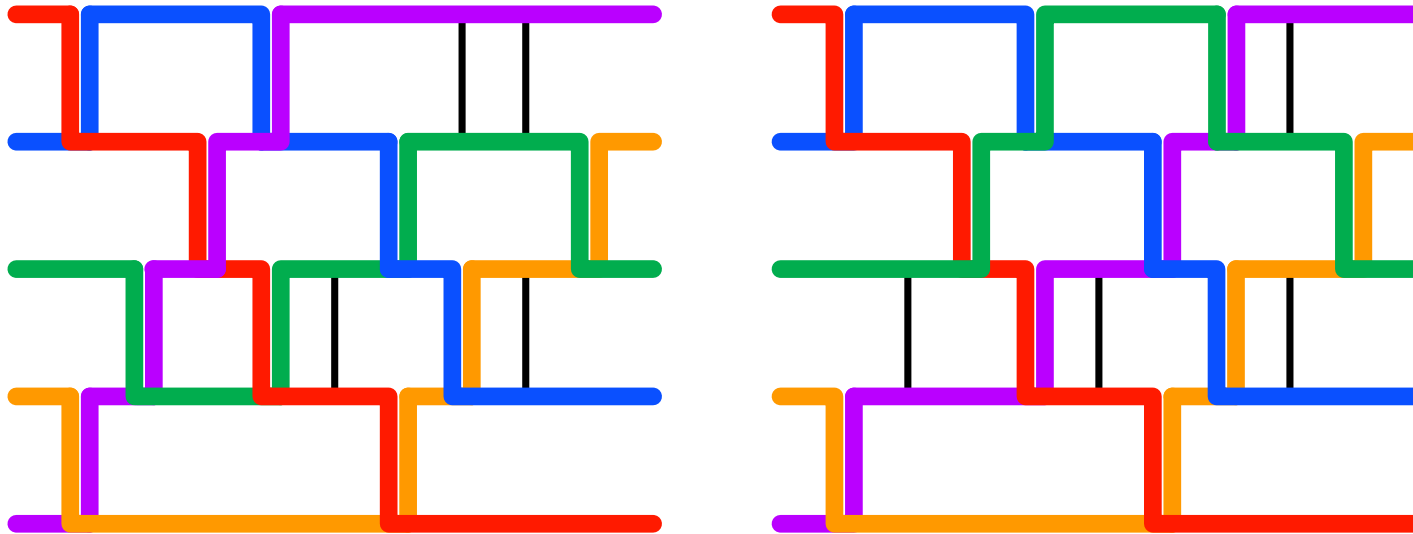
contact graph $\Lambda^\#$ of a pseudoline arrangement $\Lambda =$

- a node for each pseudoline of Λ , and
- an arc for each contact of Λ oriented from top to bottom



FLIPS

flip = exchange an arbitrary contact with the corresponding crossing



Combinatorial and geometric properties of the graph of flips $G(\mathcal{N})$?

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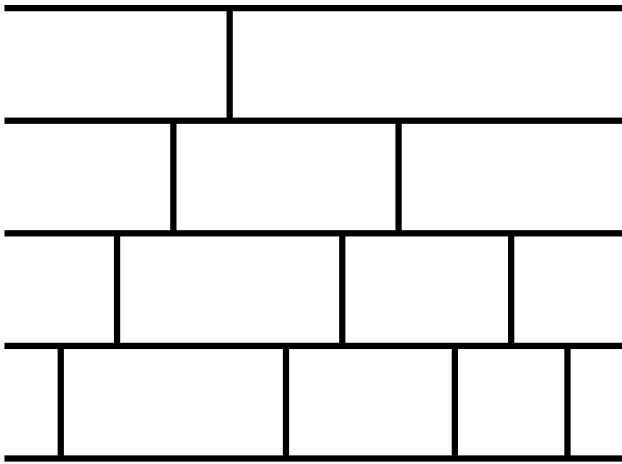
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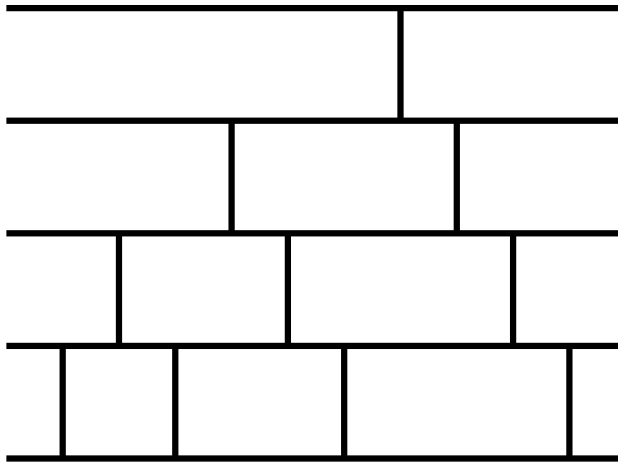
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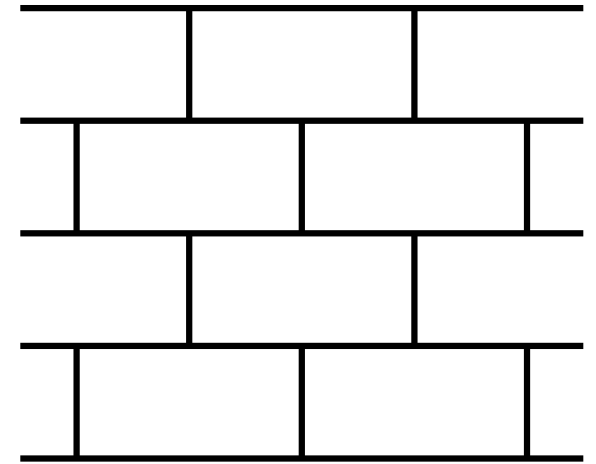
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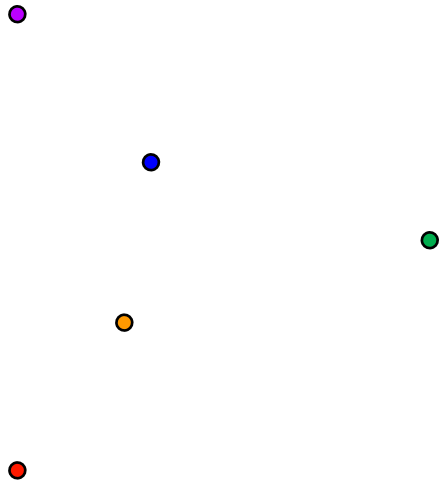


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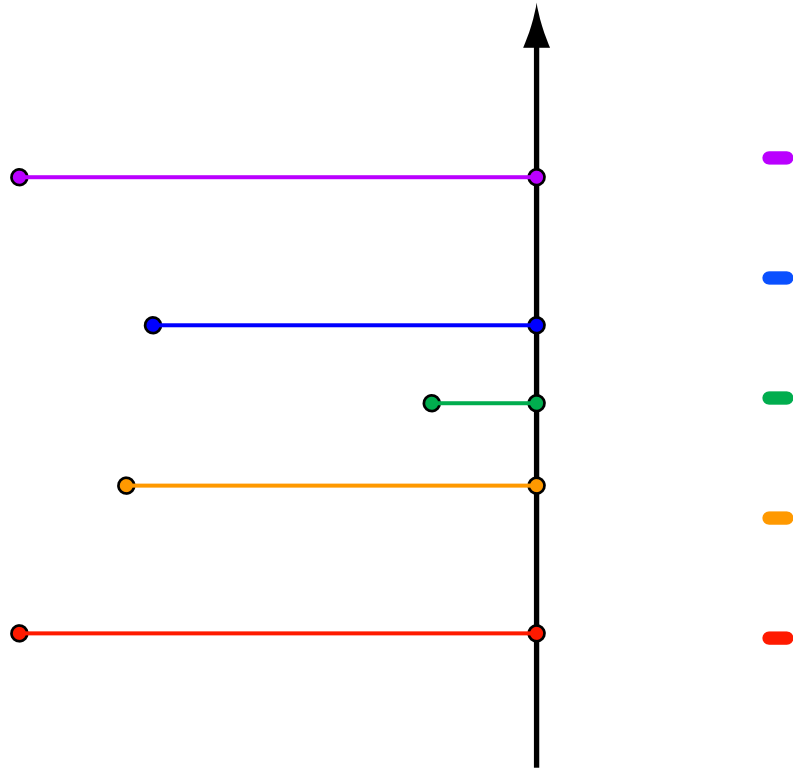


even-odd sort

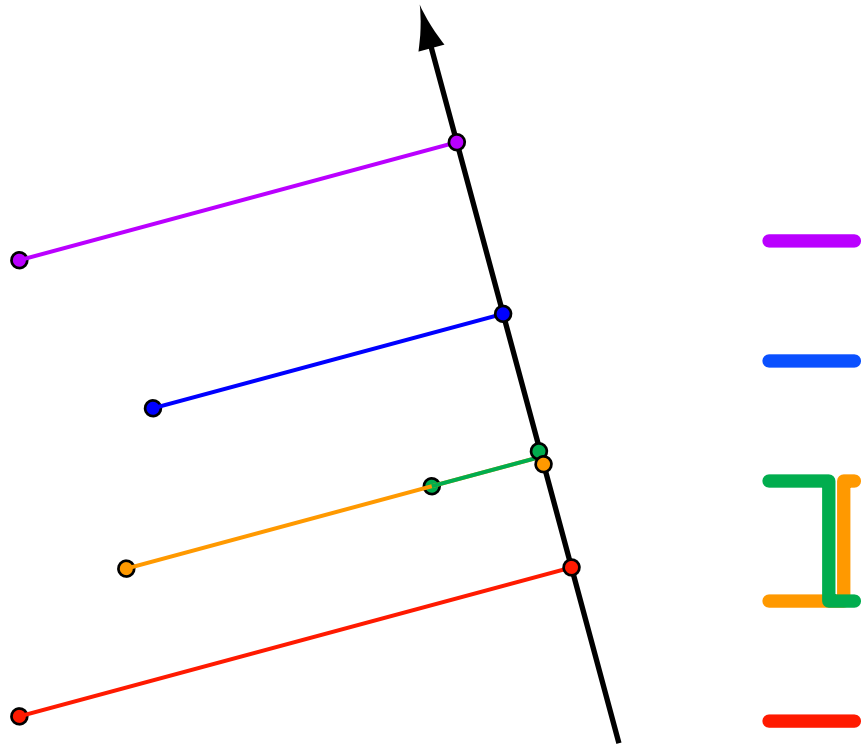
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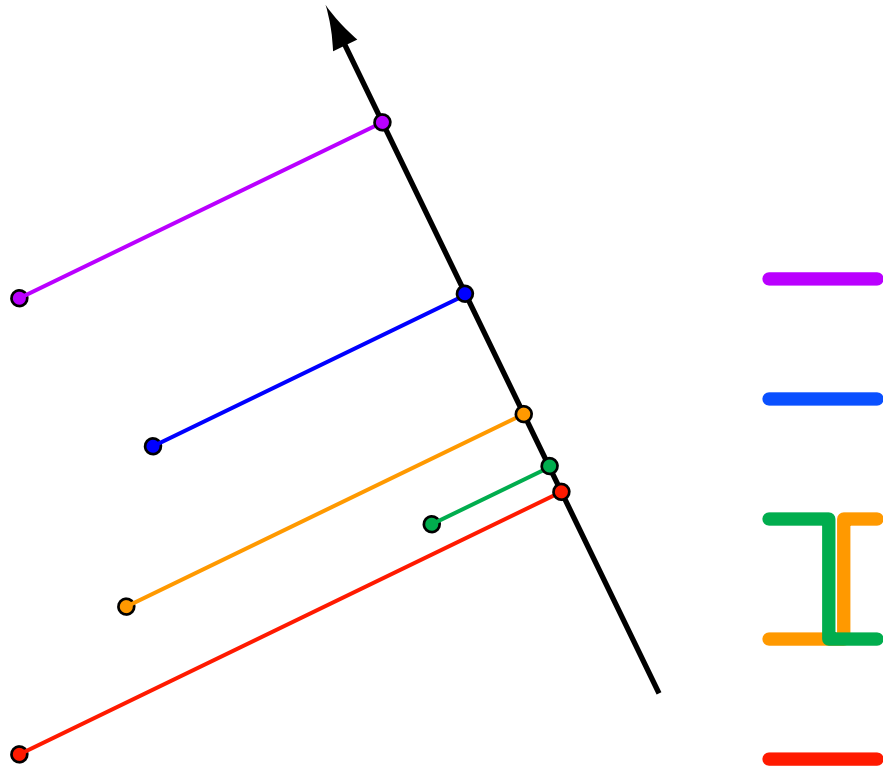
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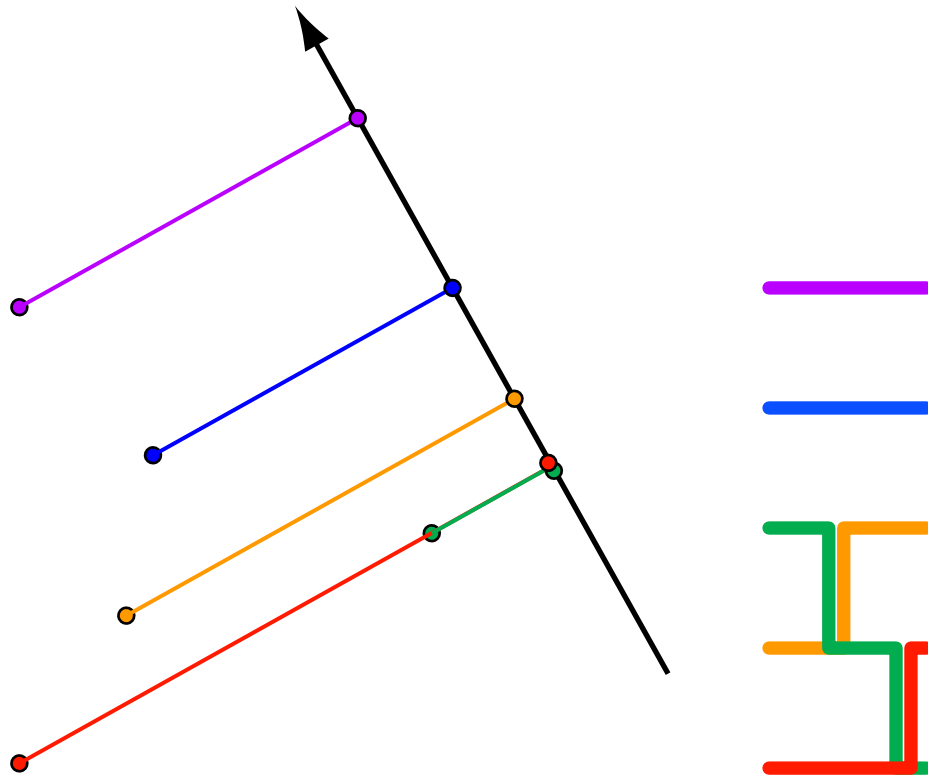
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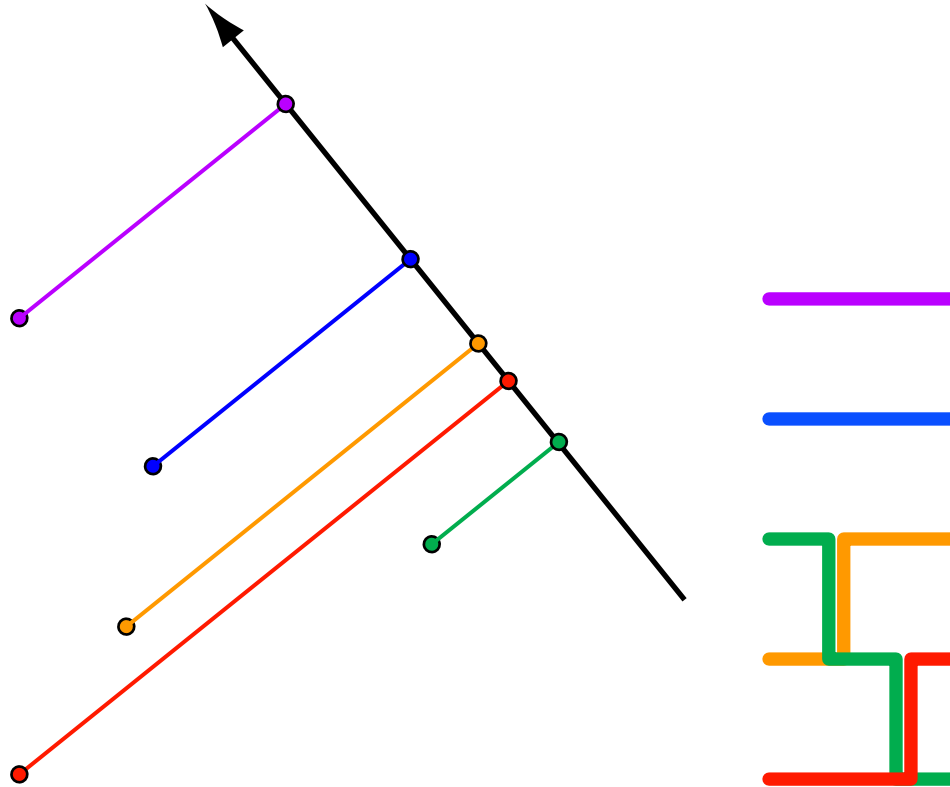
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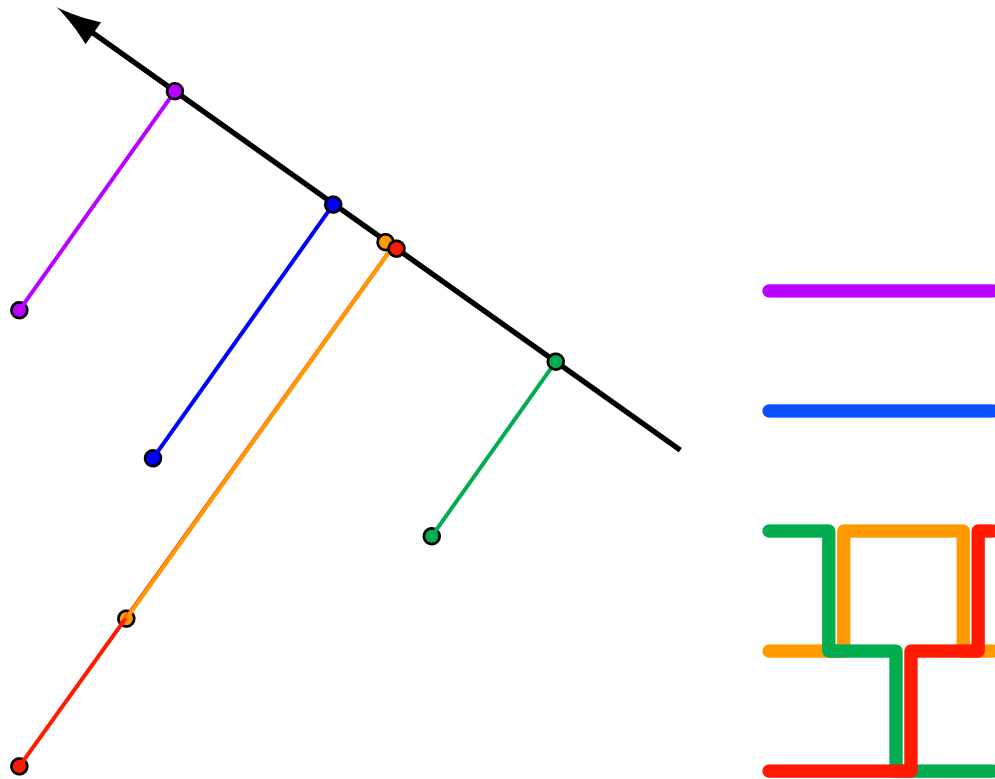
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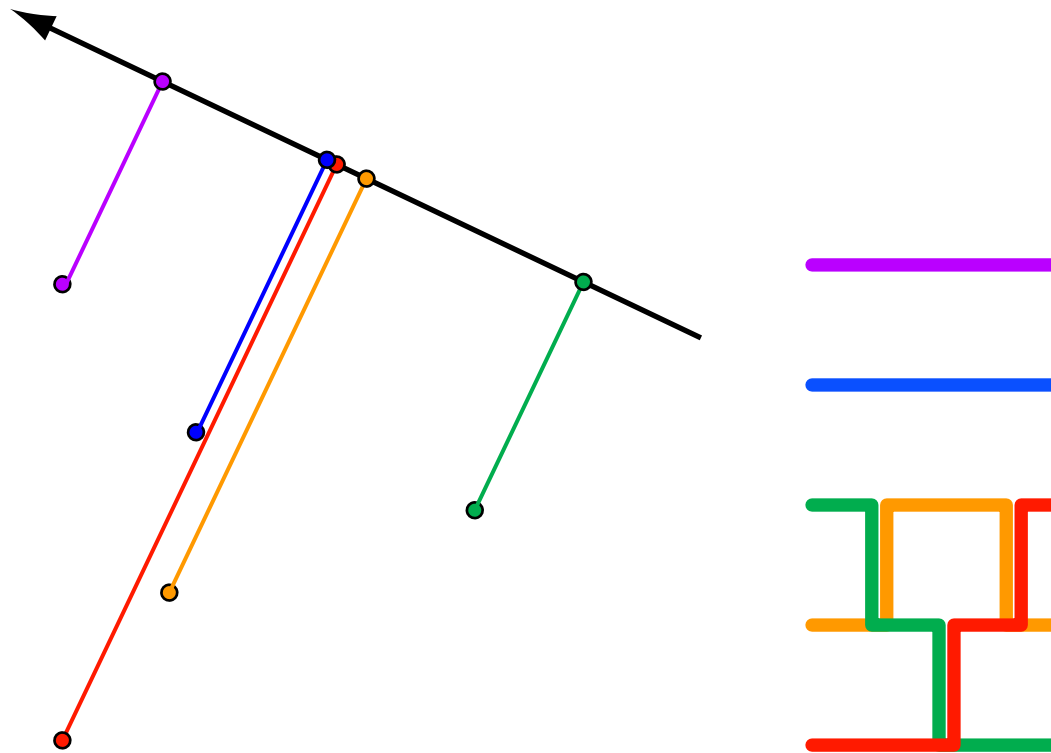
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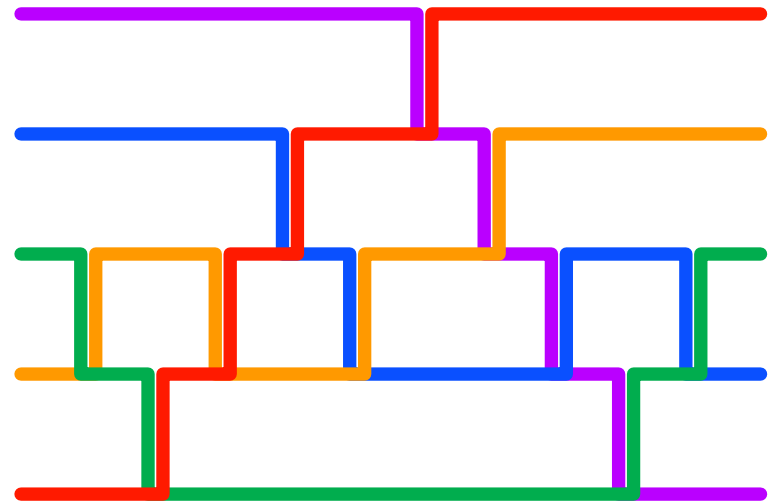
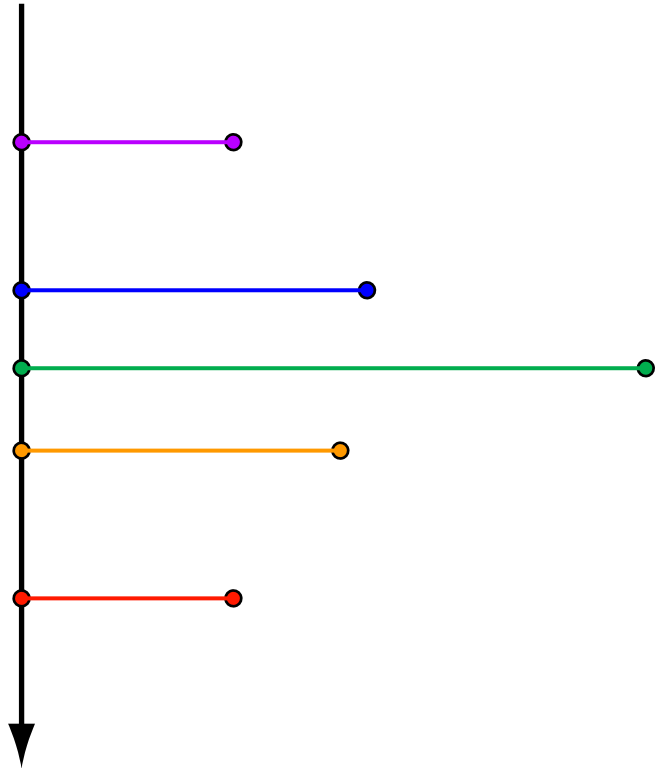
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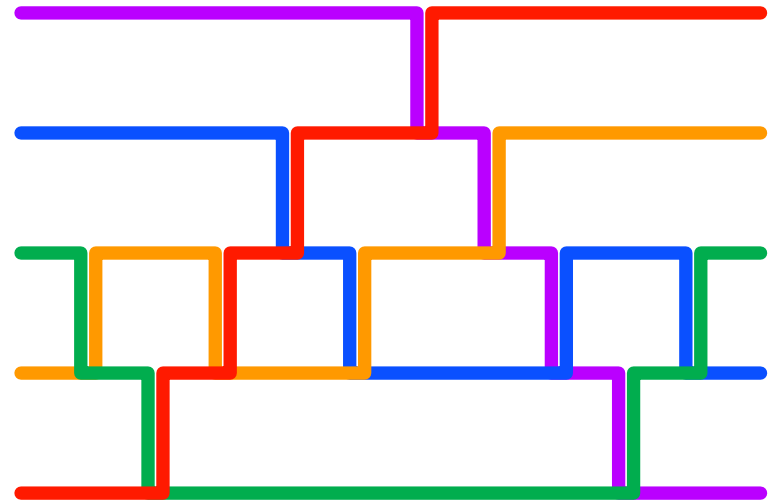
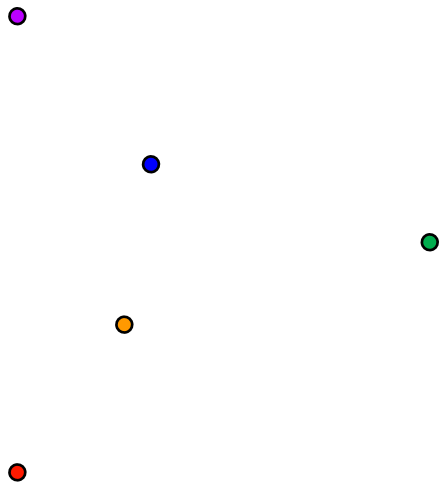
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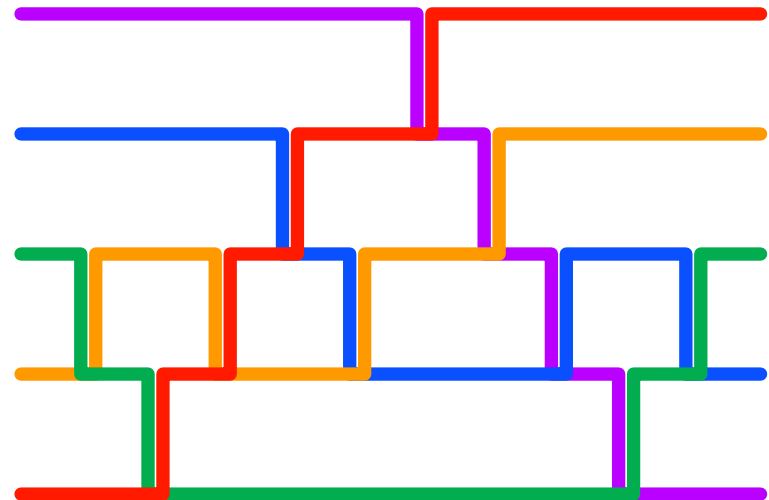
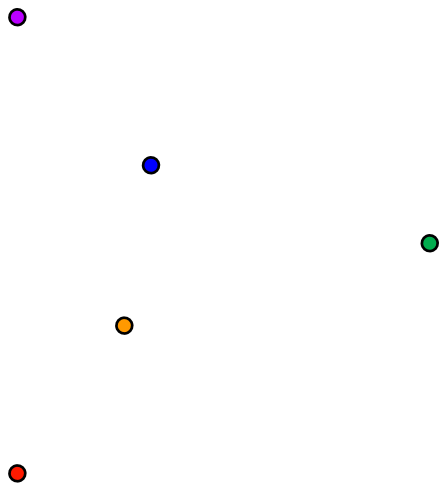
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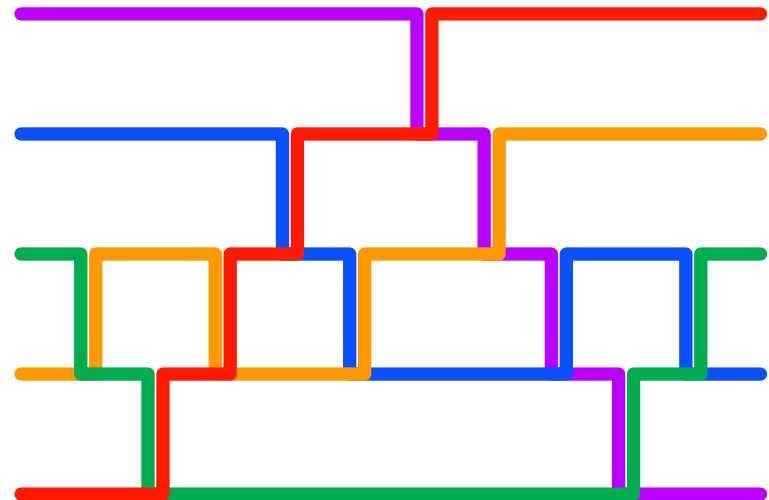
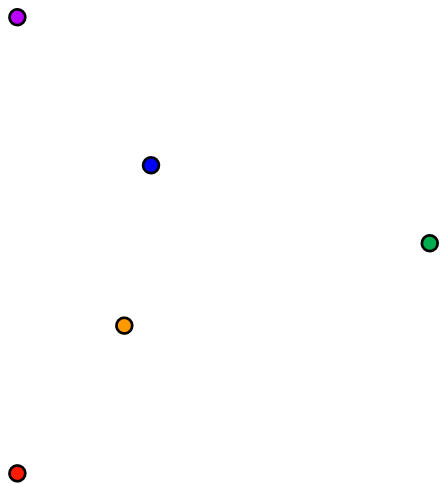
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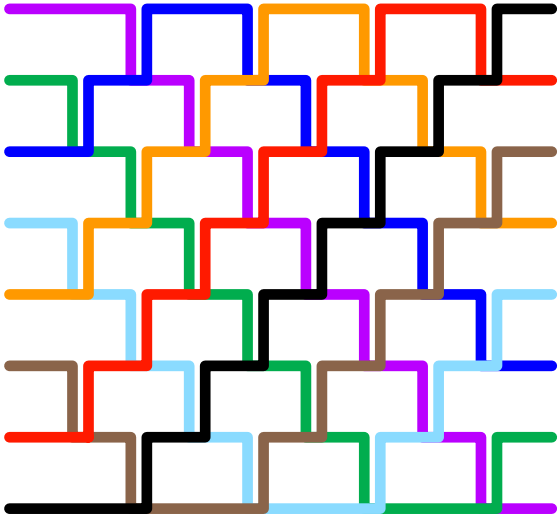
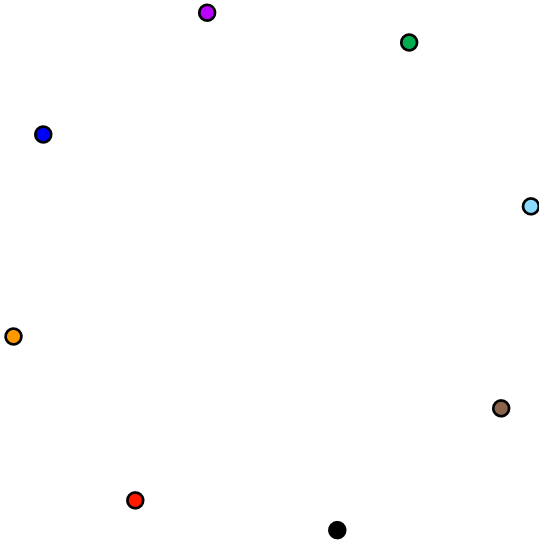
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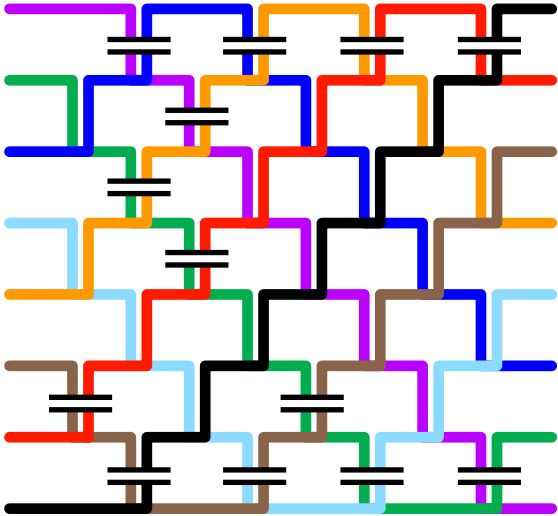
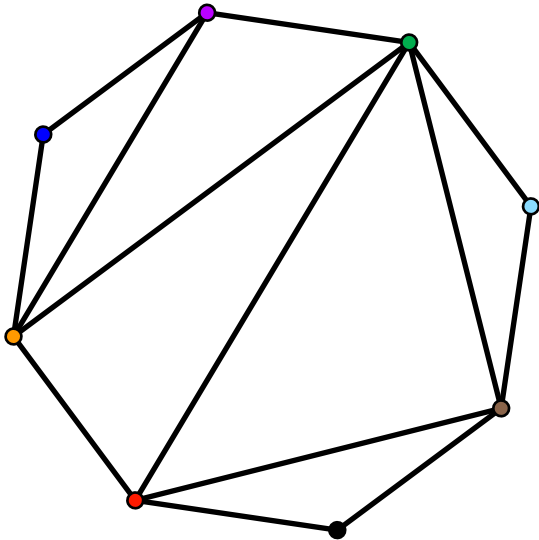
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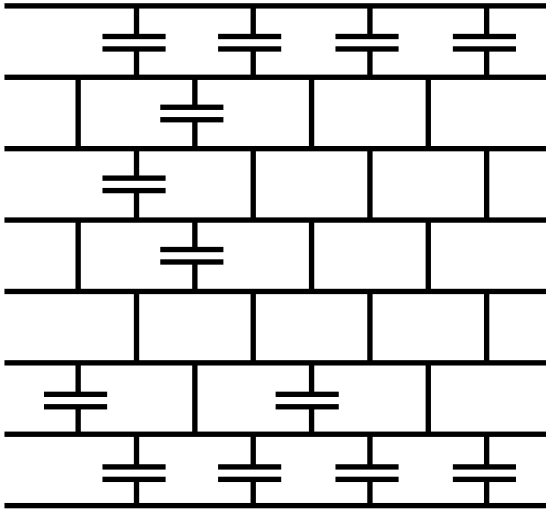
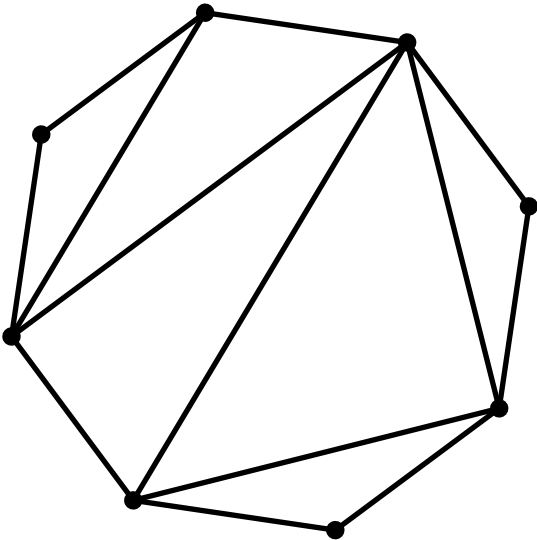
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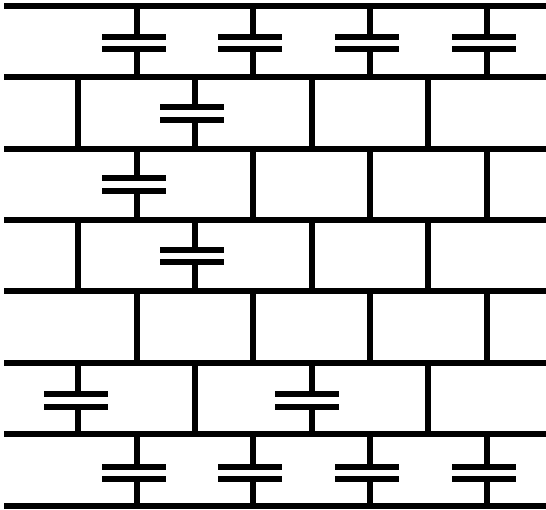
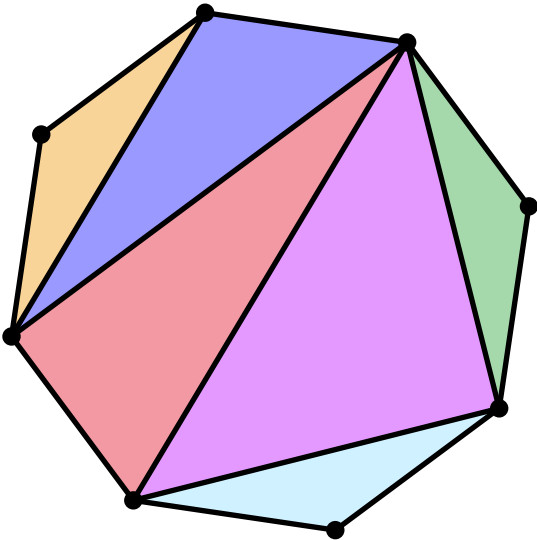
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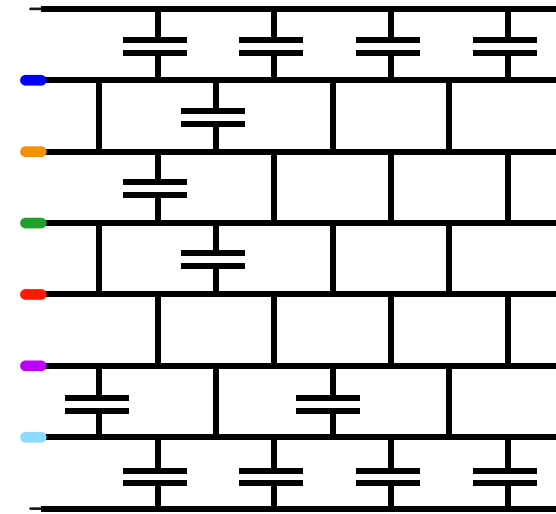
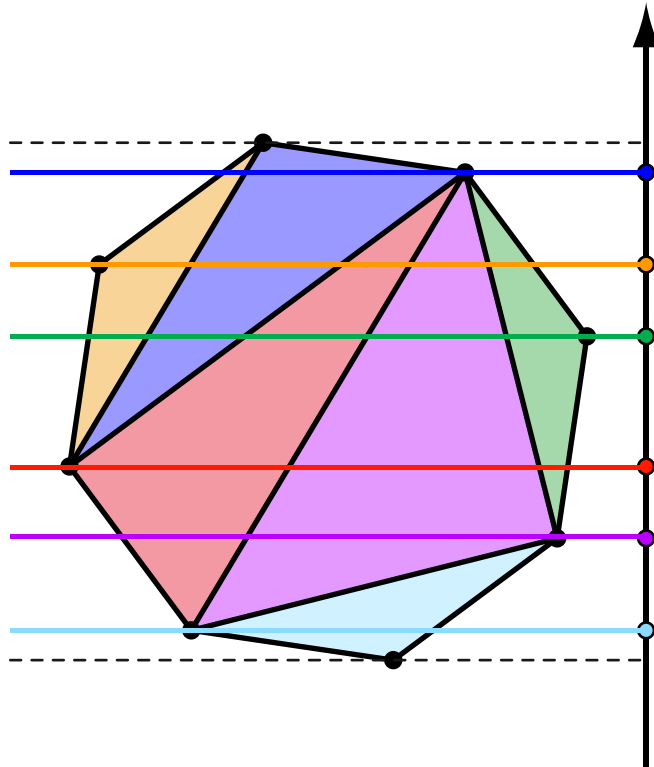
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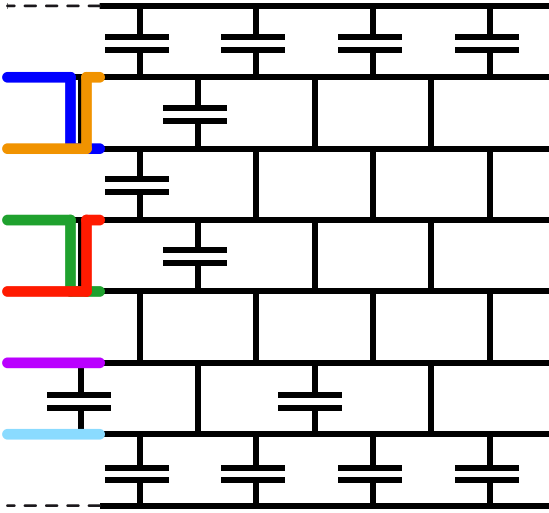
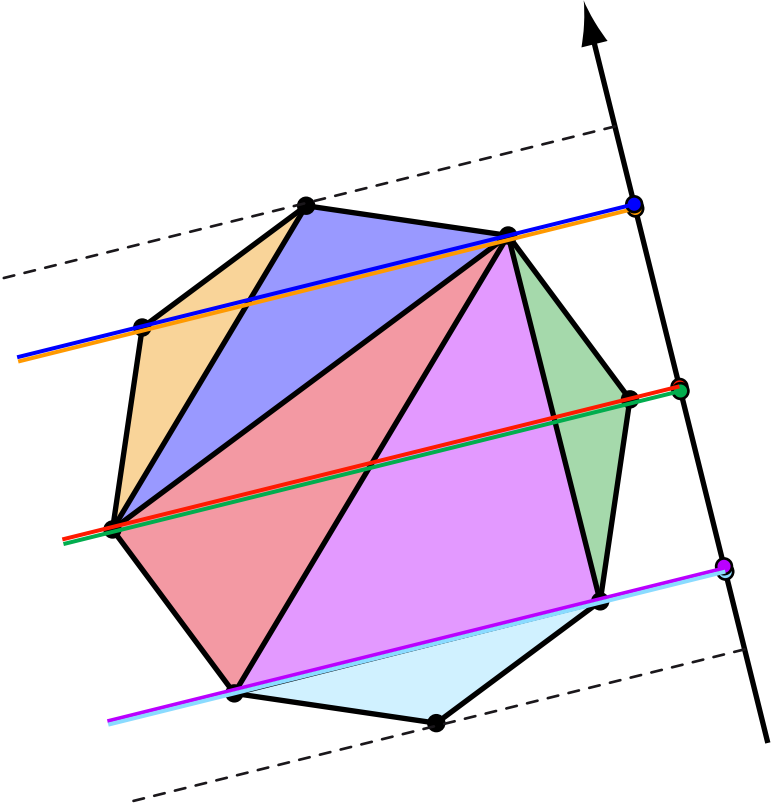
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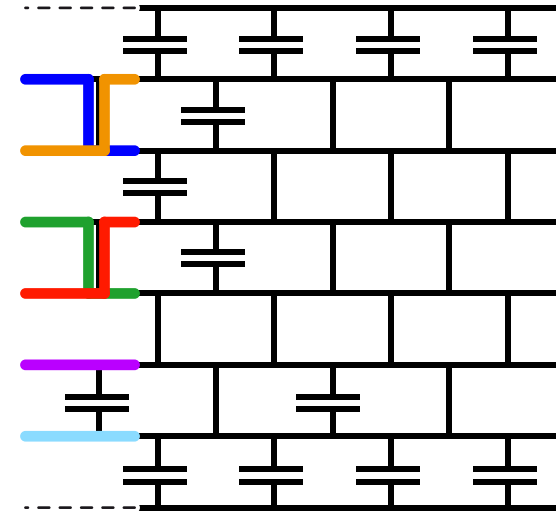
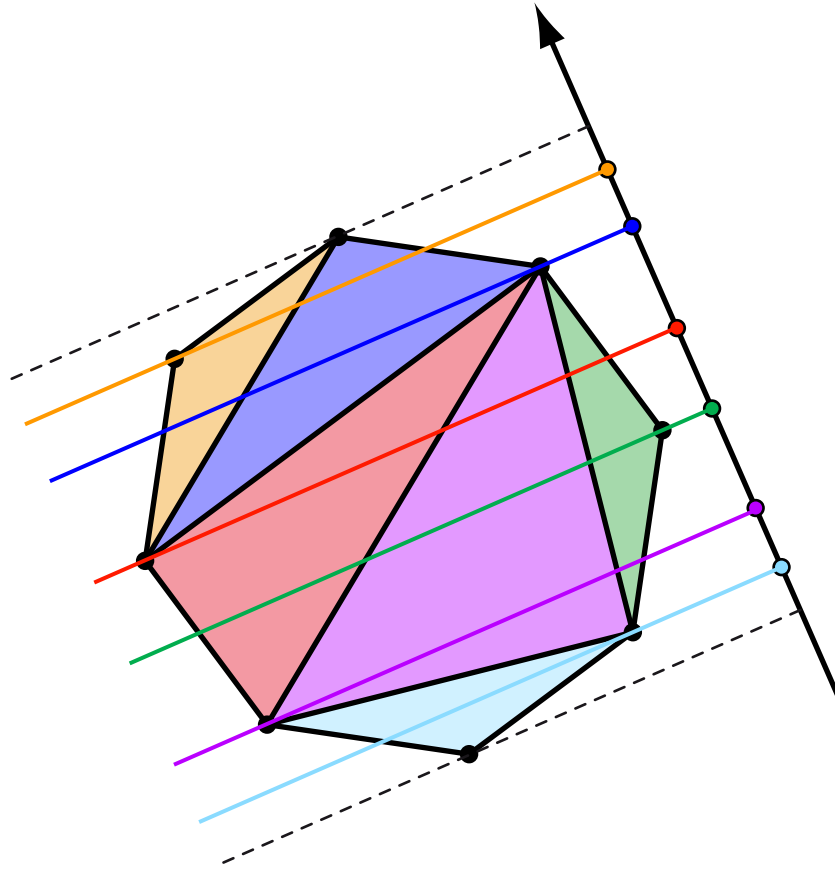
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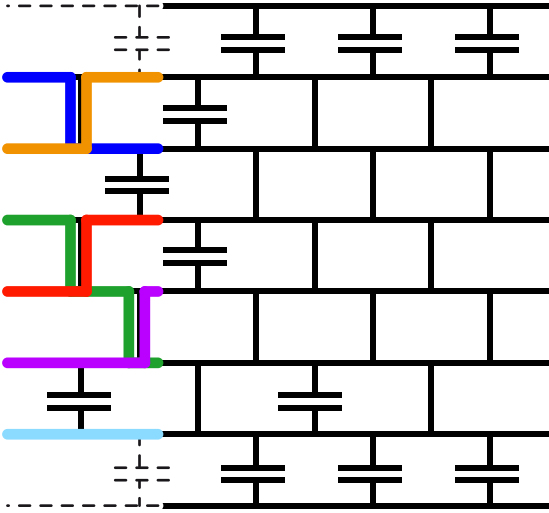
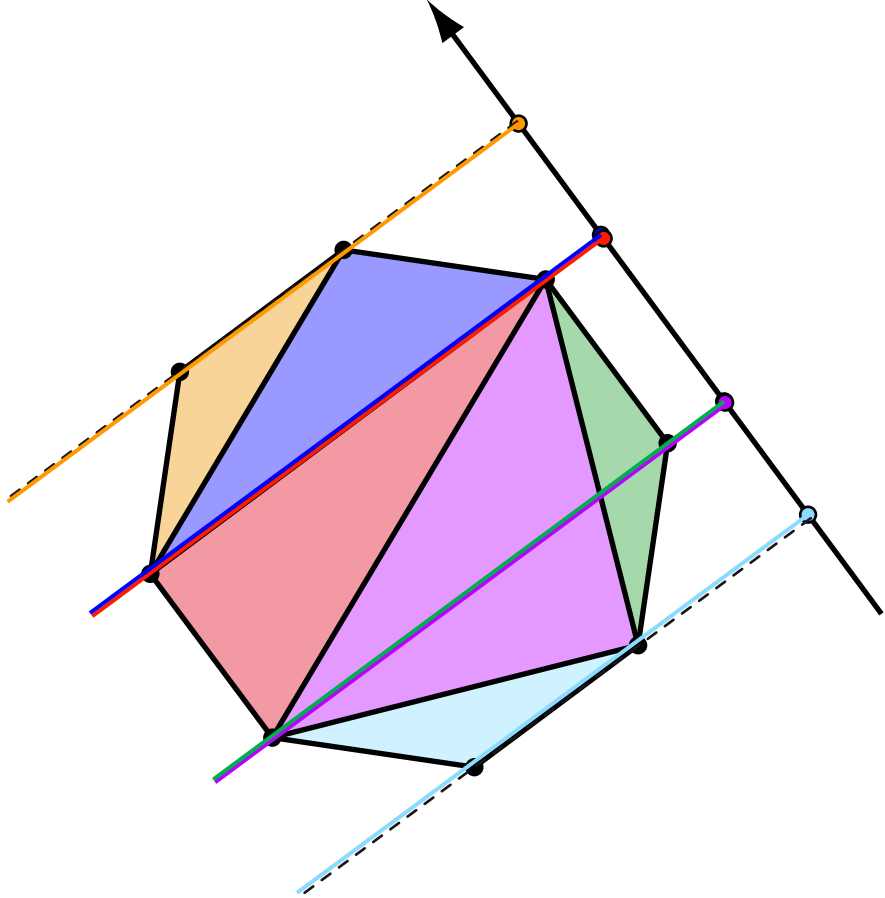
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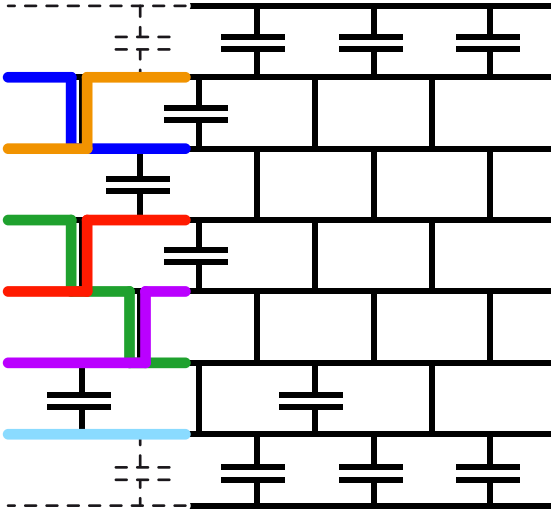
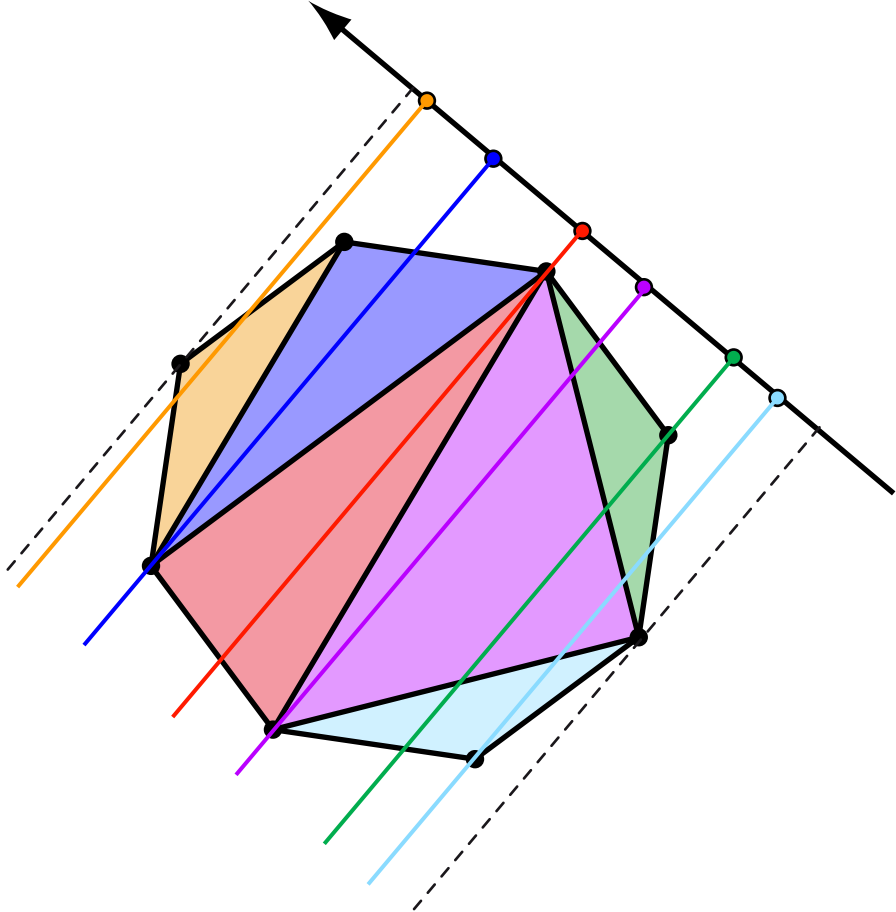
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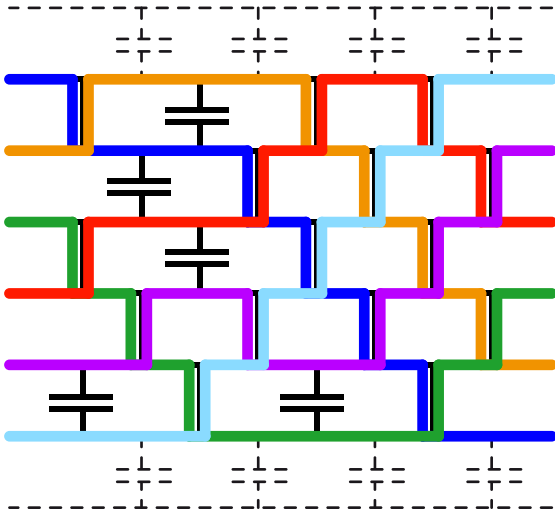
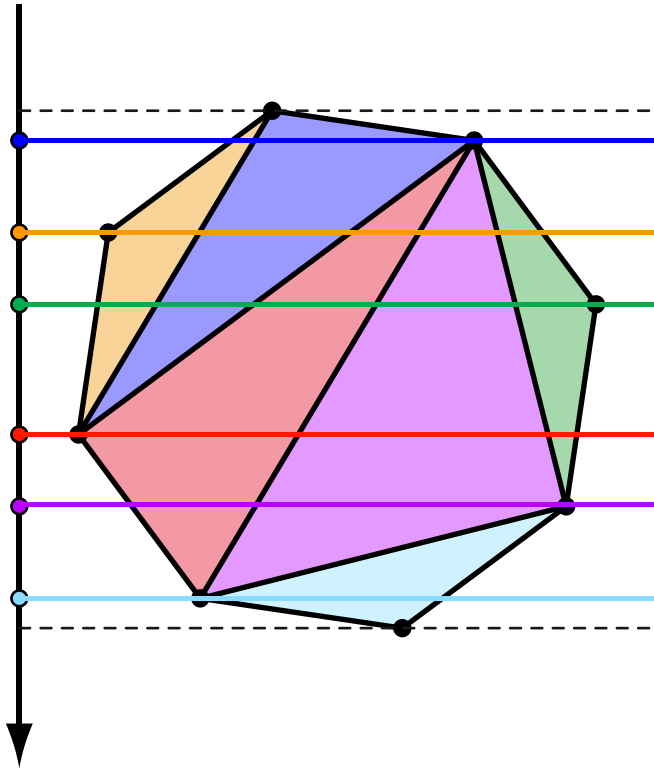
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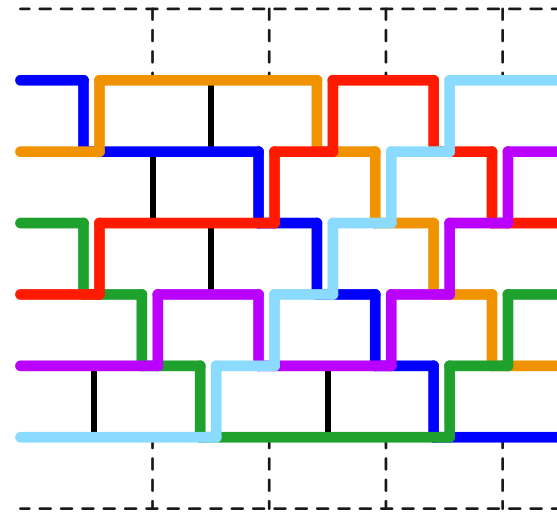
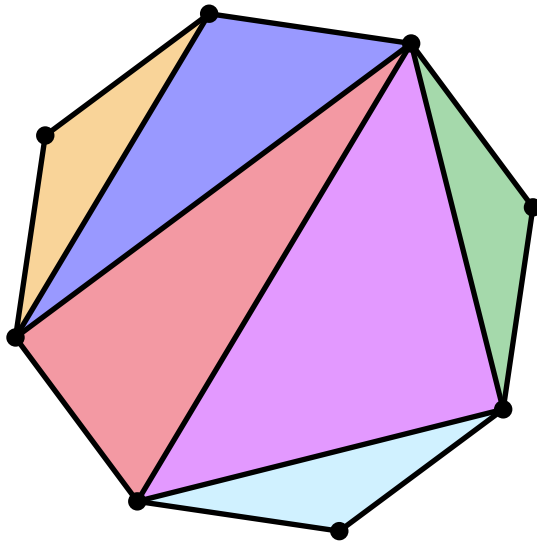
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triangulation of the n -gon \longleftrightarrow pseudoline arrangement

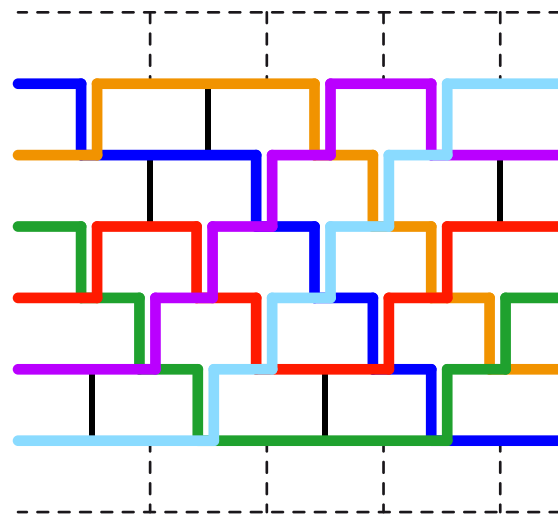
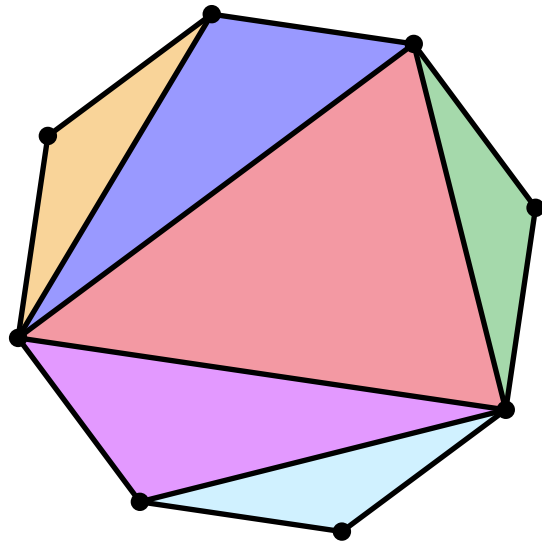
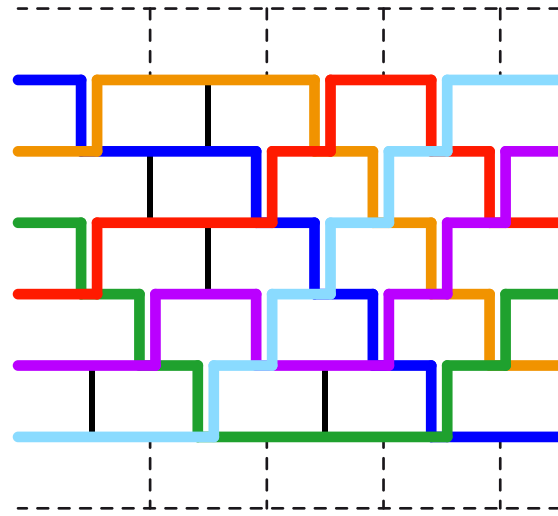
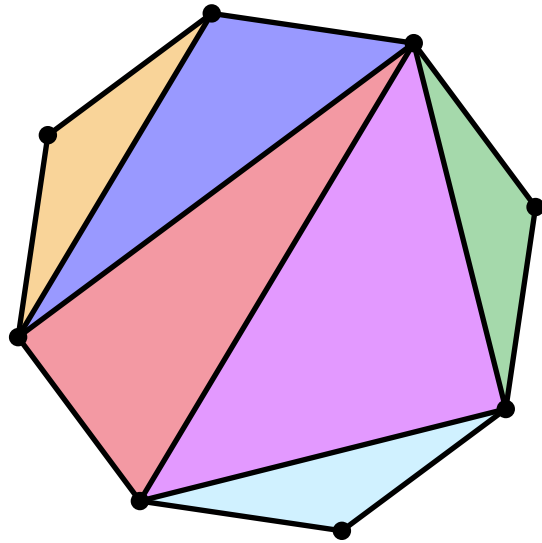
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dual binary tree \longleftrightarrow contact graph

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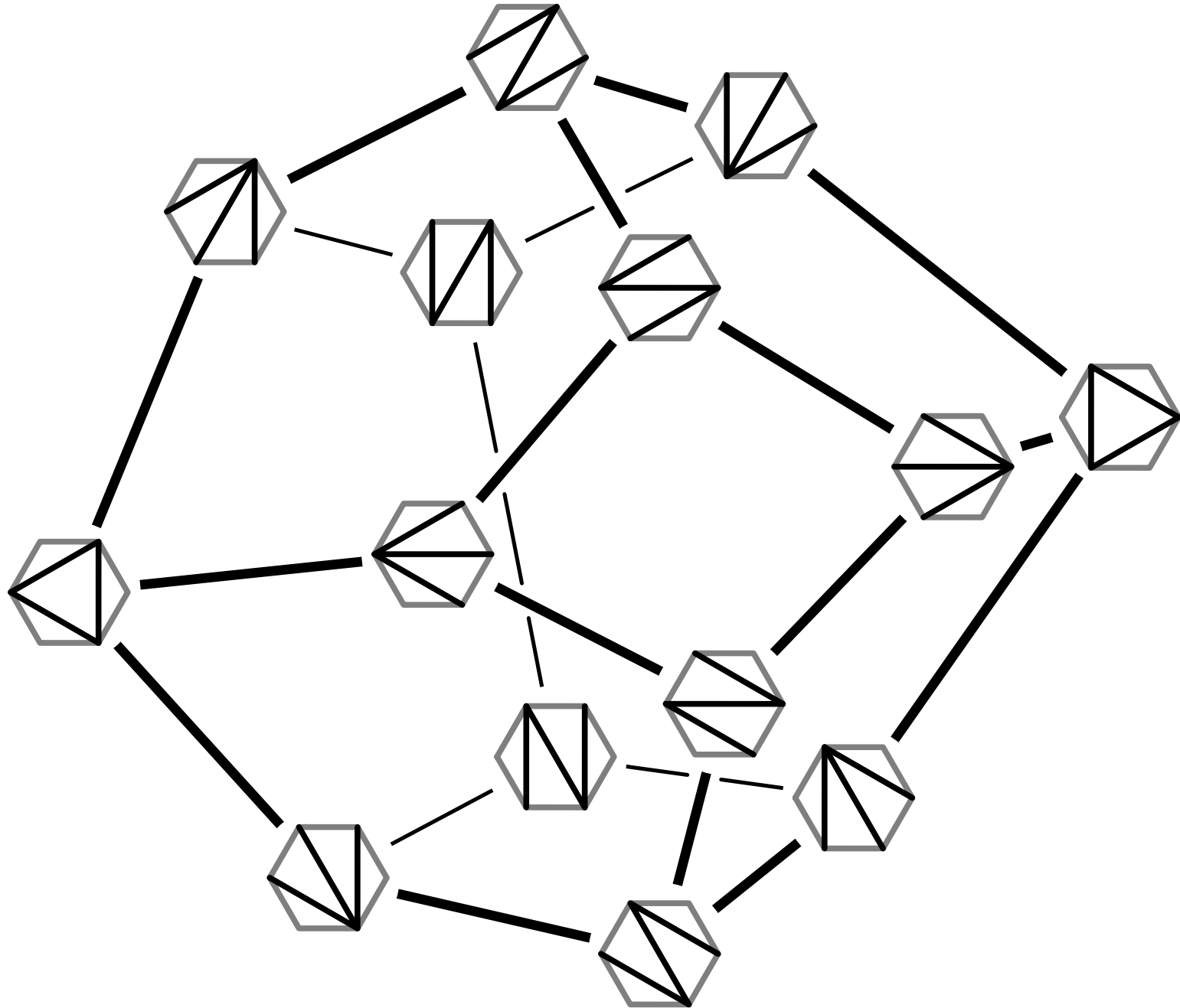
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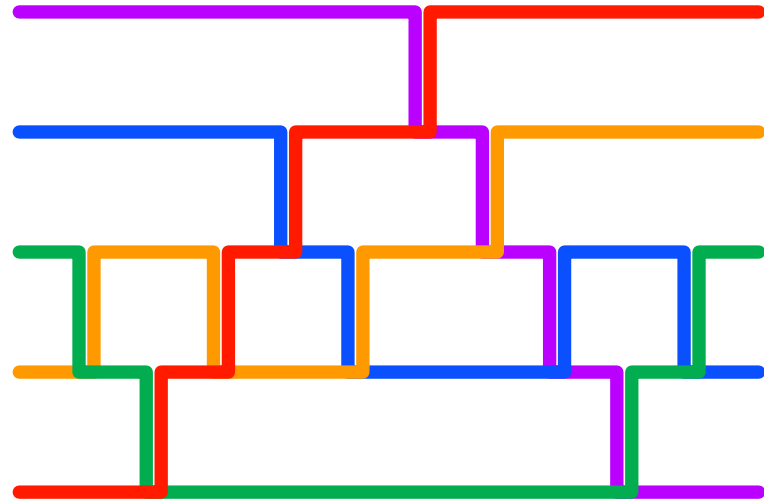
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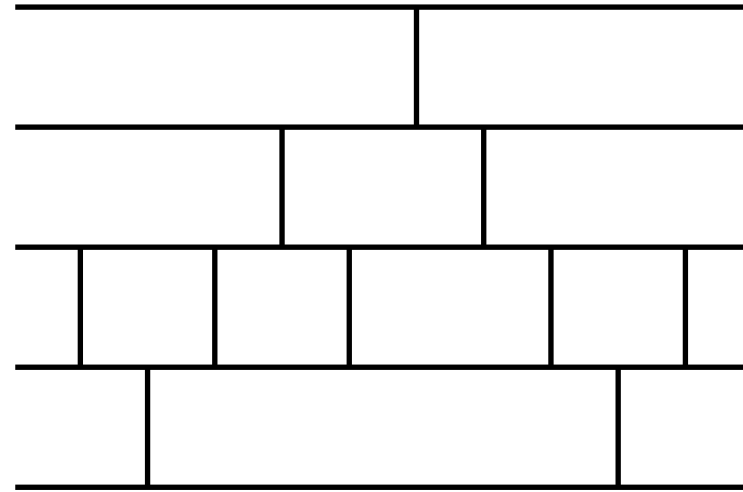
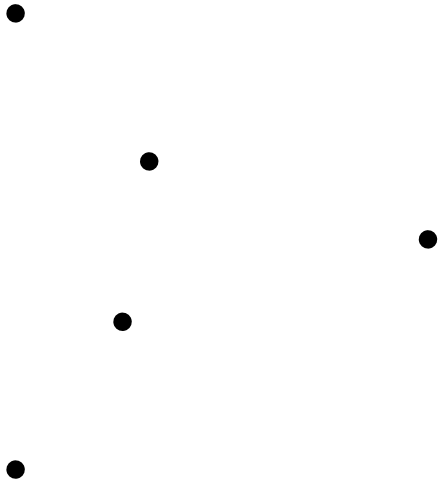


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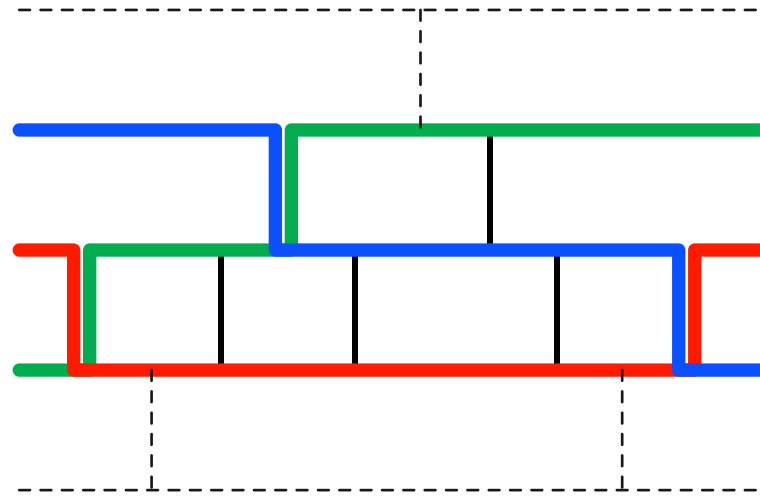
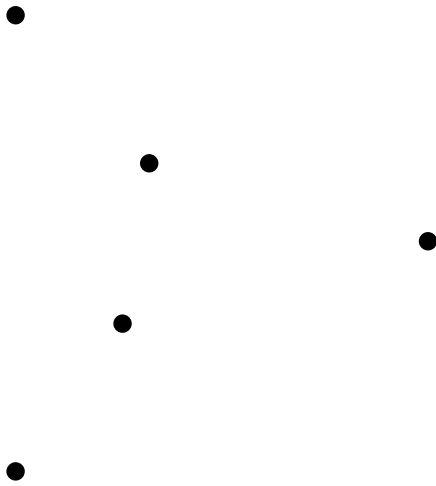
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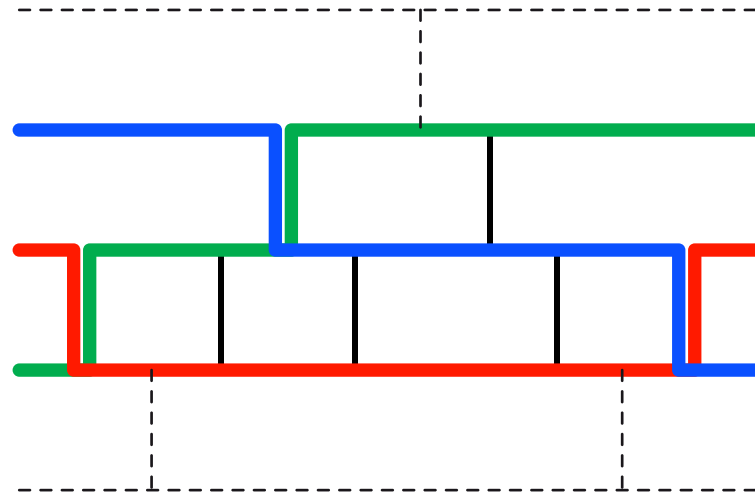
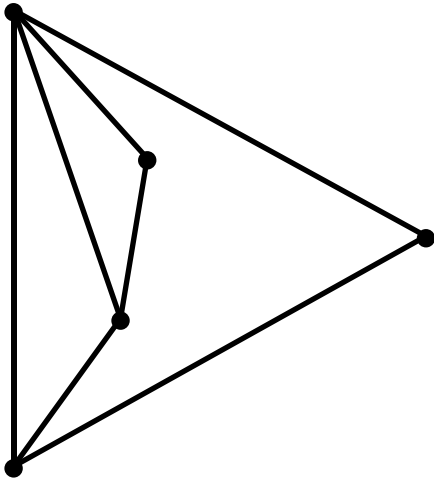
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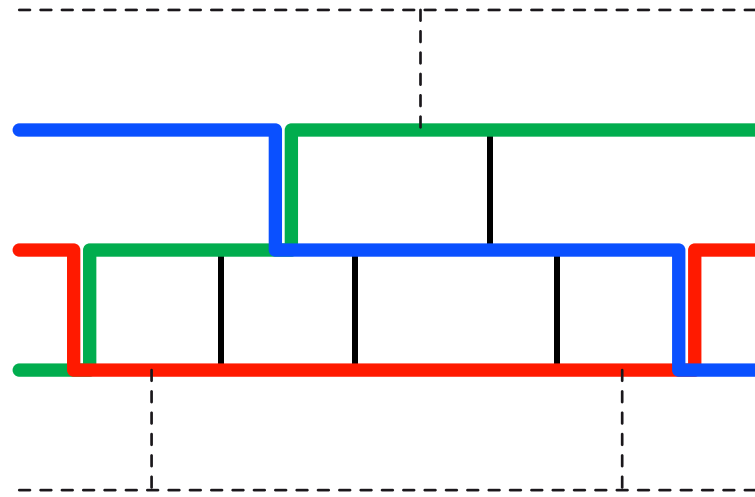
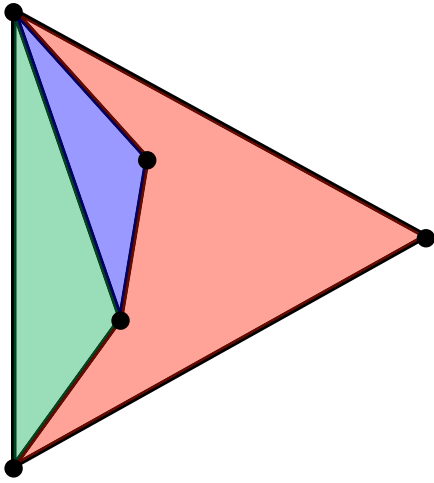


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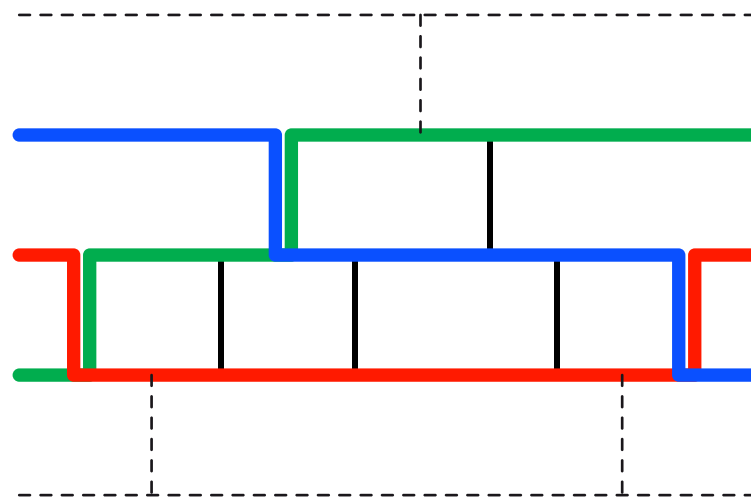
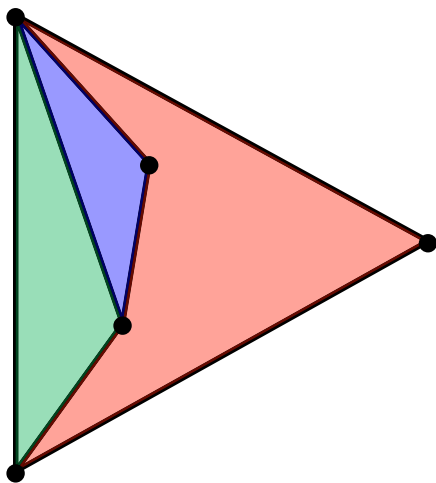
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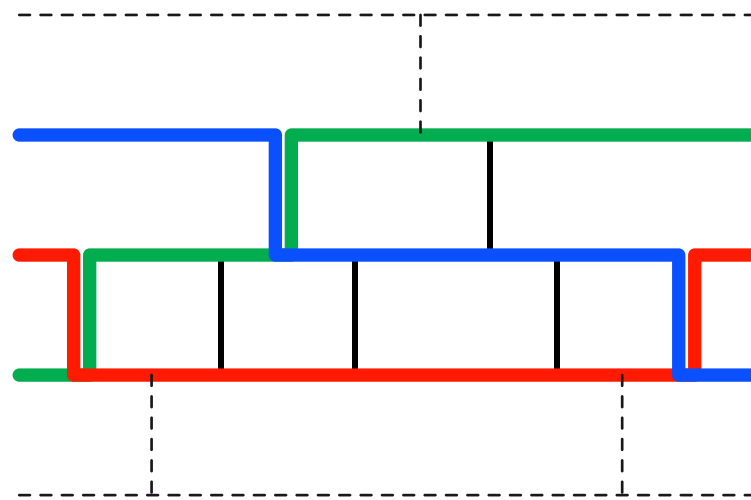
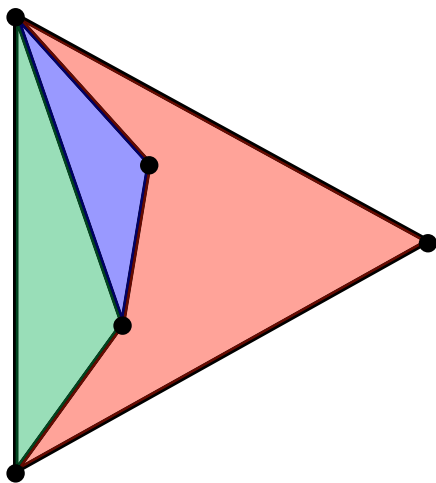


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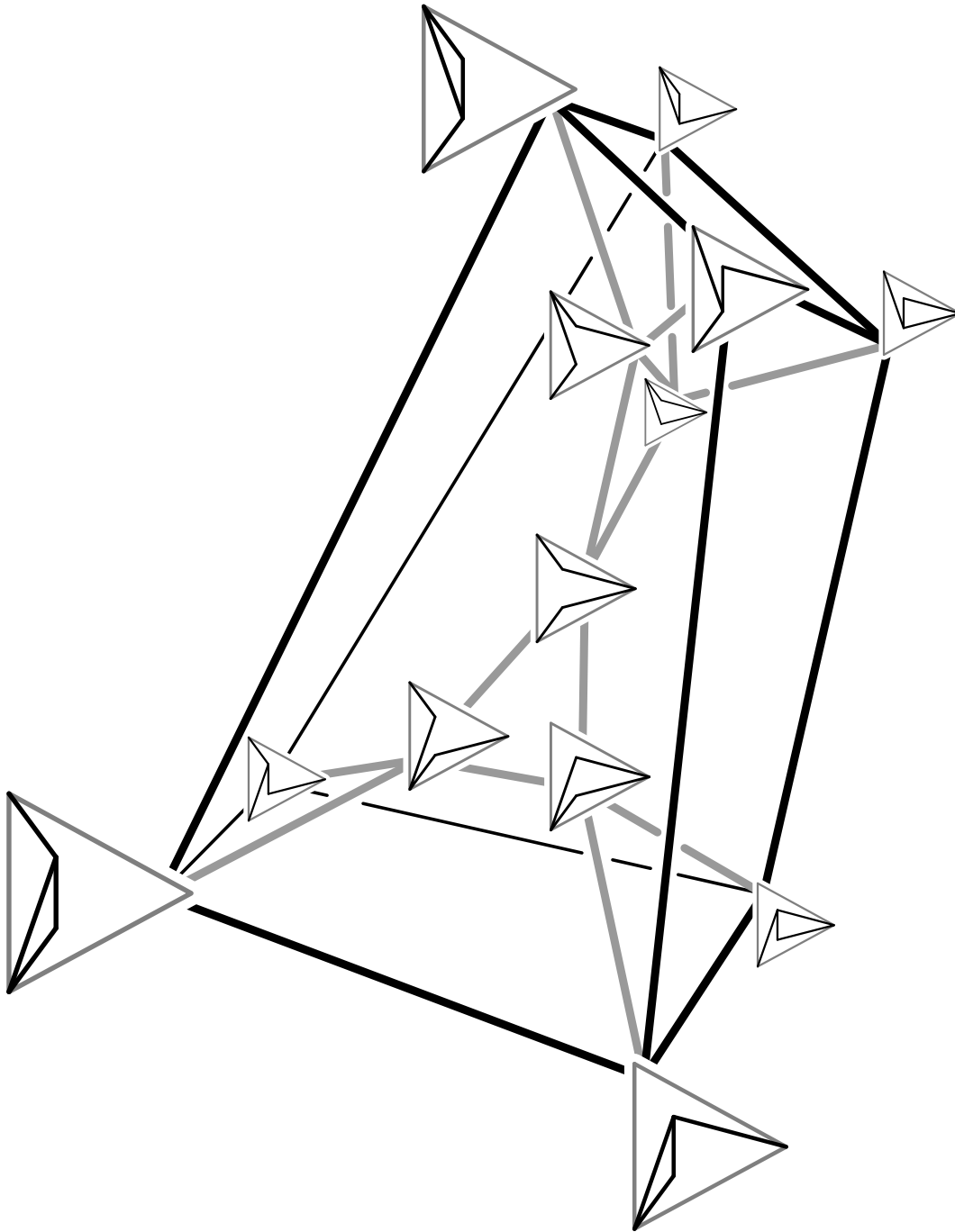
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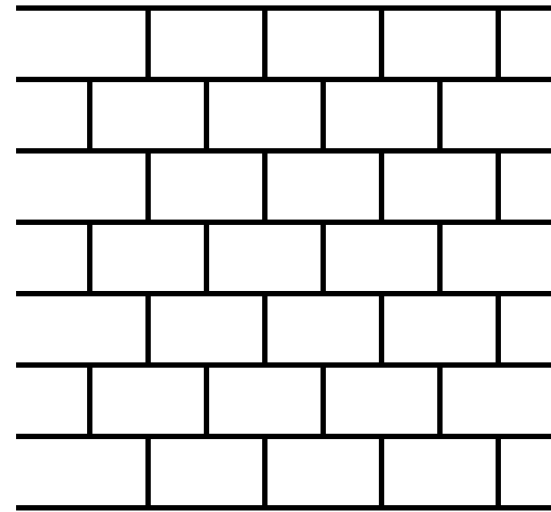
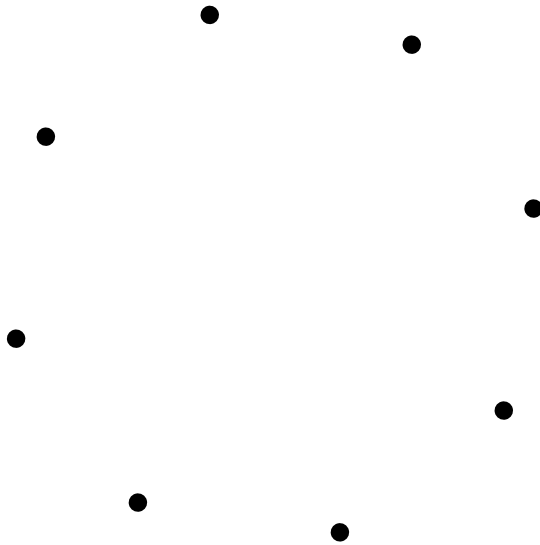
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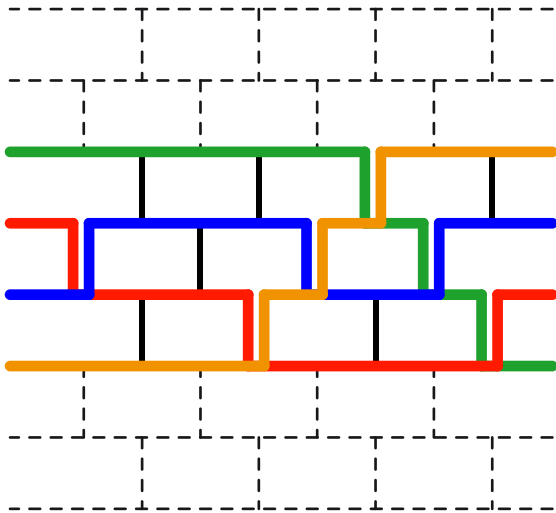
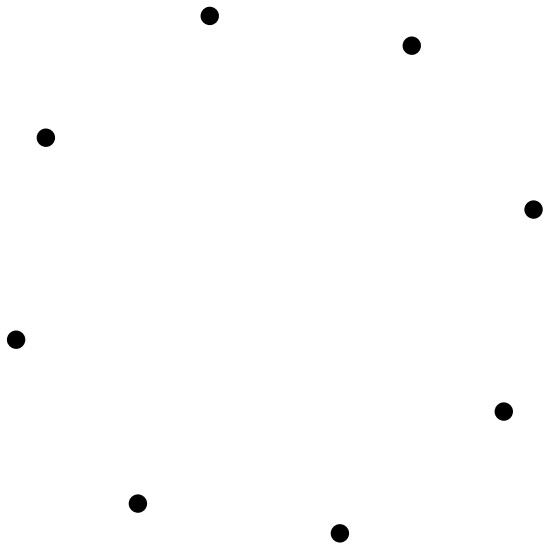
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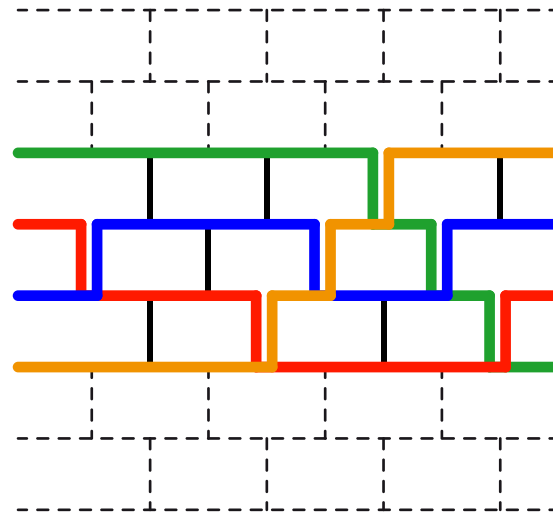
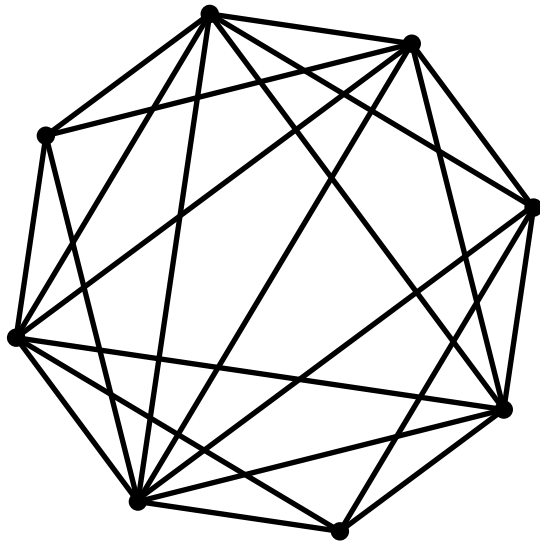
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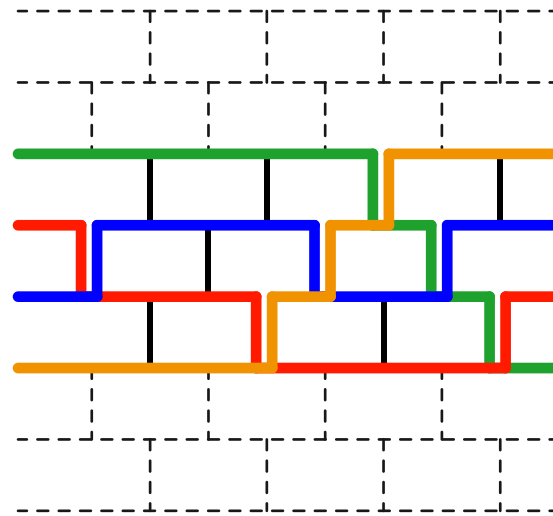
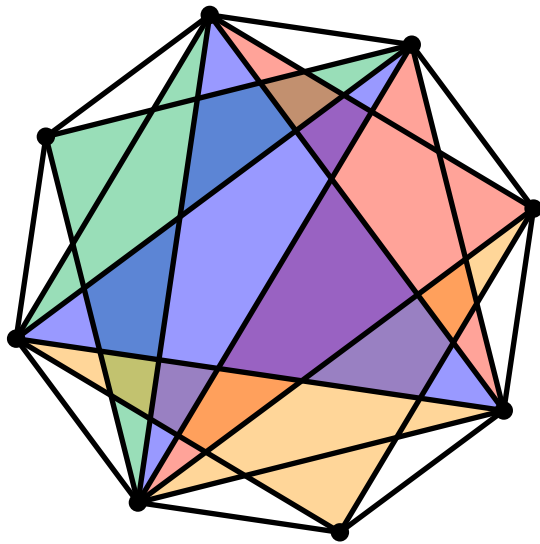


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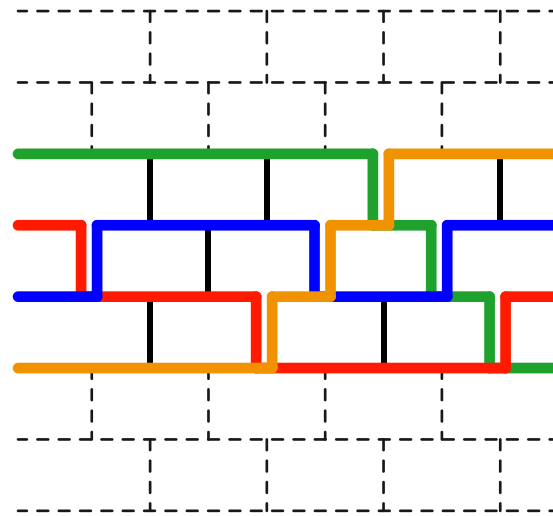
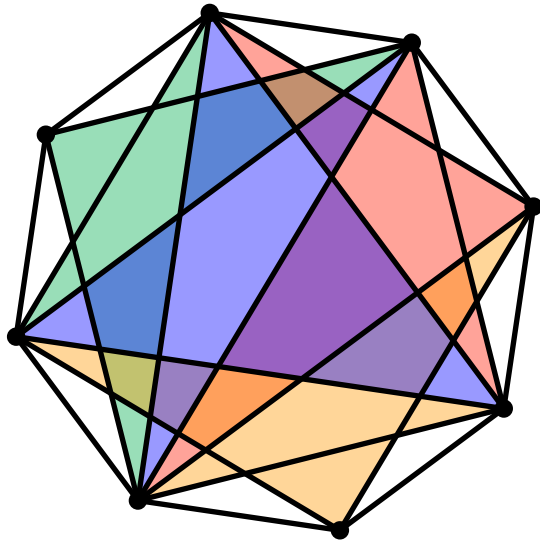
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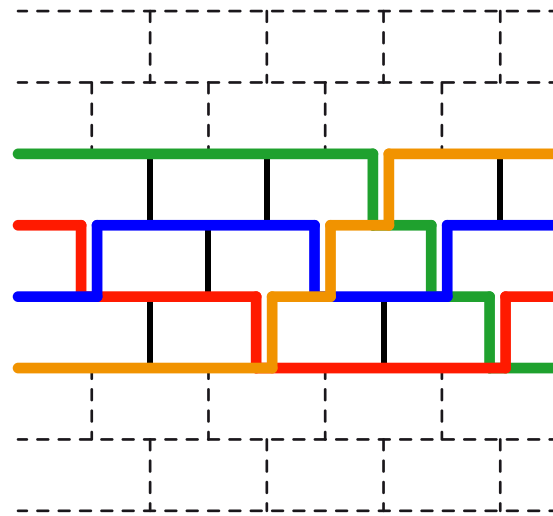
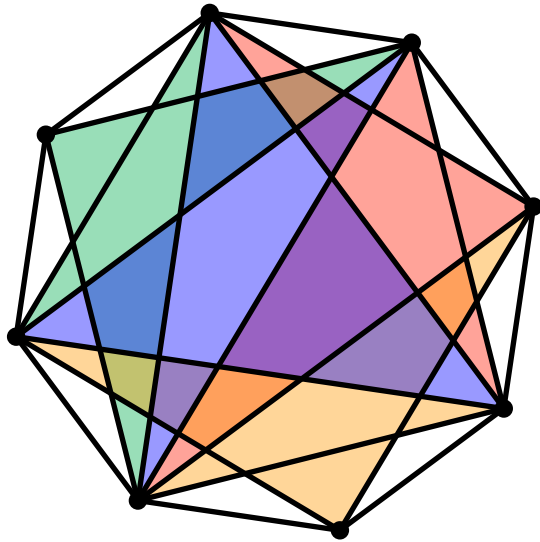


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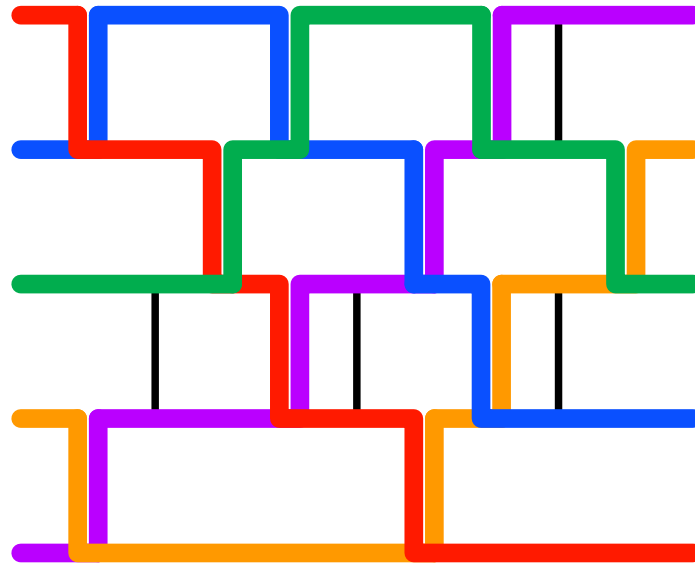
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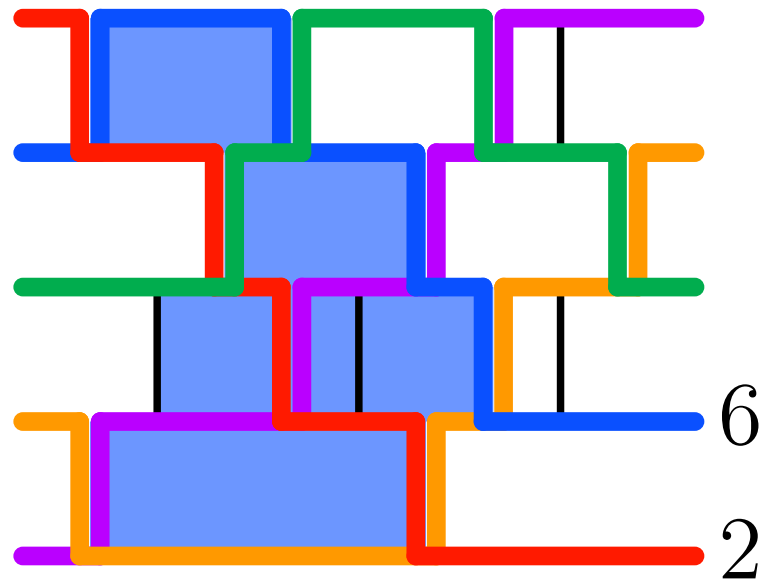
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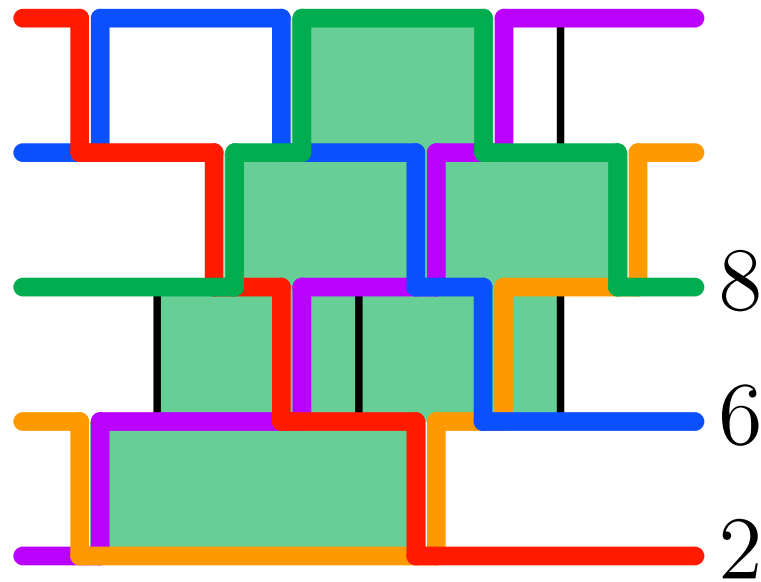
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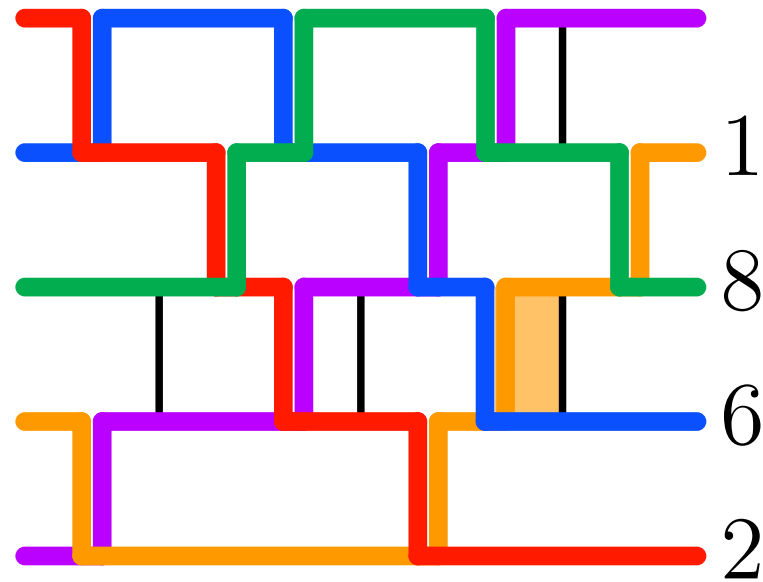
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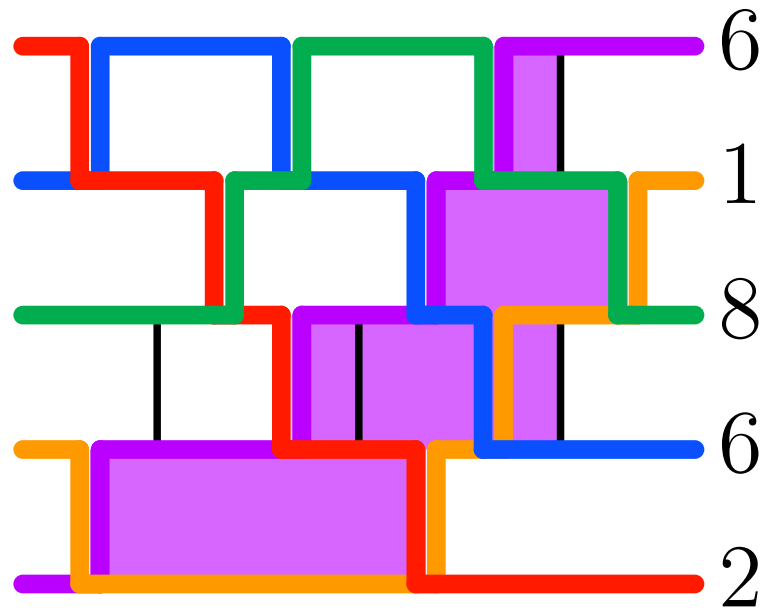
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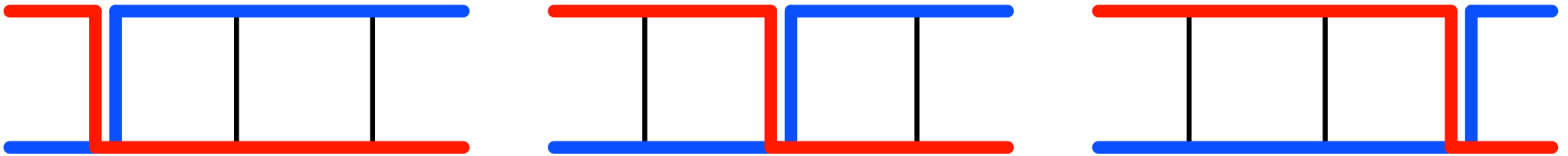
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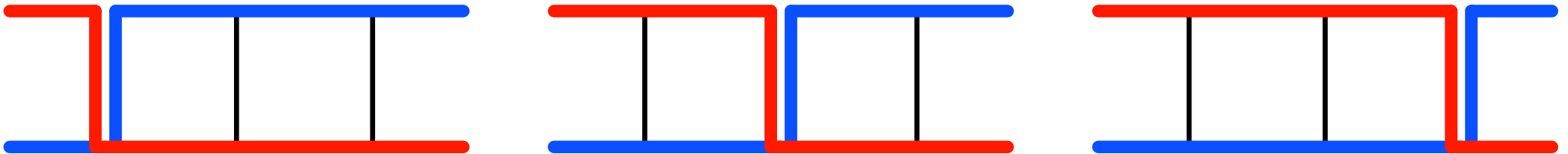


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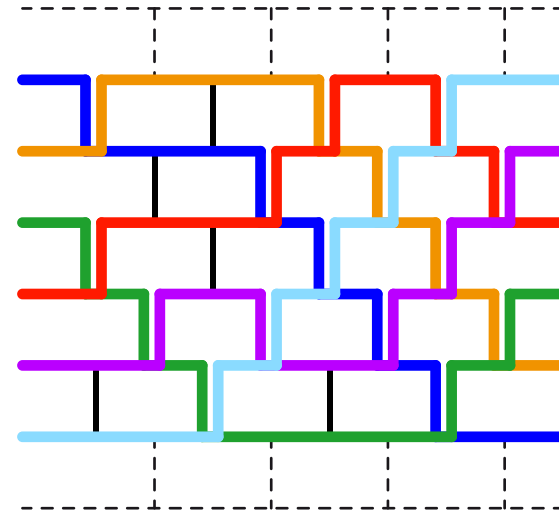
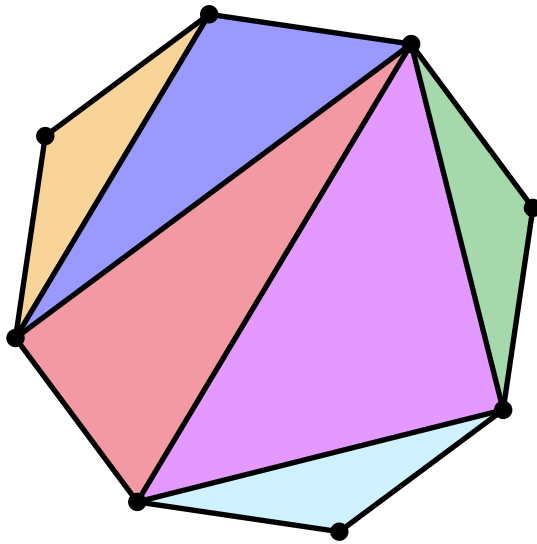


The brick vector $\omega(\Lambda)$ is a vertex of $\Omega(\mathcal{N}) \iff$ the contact graph $\Lambda^\#$ is acyclic
 The graph of the brick polytope $\Omega(\mathcal{N})$ is a subgraph of the flip graph $G(\mathcal{N})$

The graph of the brick polytope $\Omega(\mathcal{N})$ coincides with the graph of flips $G(\mathcal{N})$
 \iff the contact graphs of the pseudoline arrangements supported by \mathcal{N} are forests

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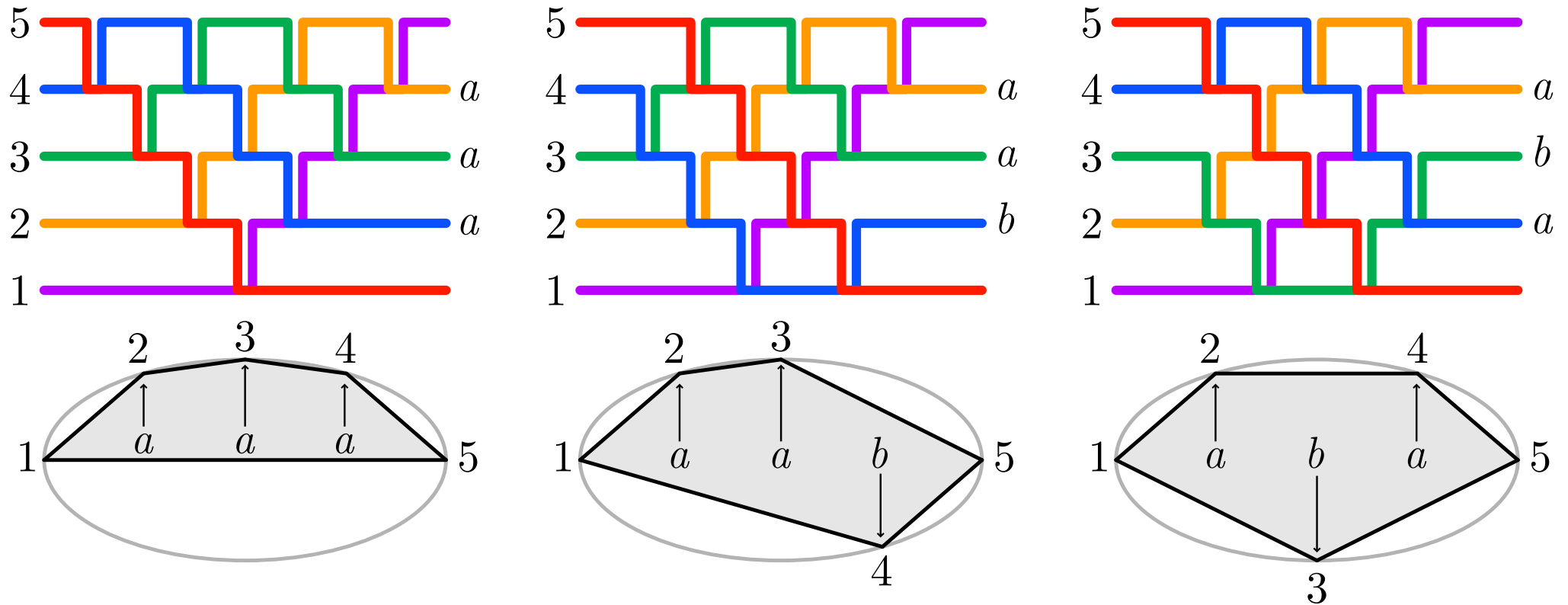


triangulation of the n -gon \longleftrightarrow pseudoline arrangement
triangle \longleftrightarrow pseudoline
edge \longleftrightarrow contact point
common bisector \longleftrightarrow crossing point
dual binary tree \longleftrightarrow contact graph

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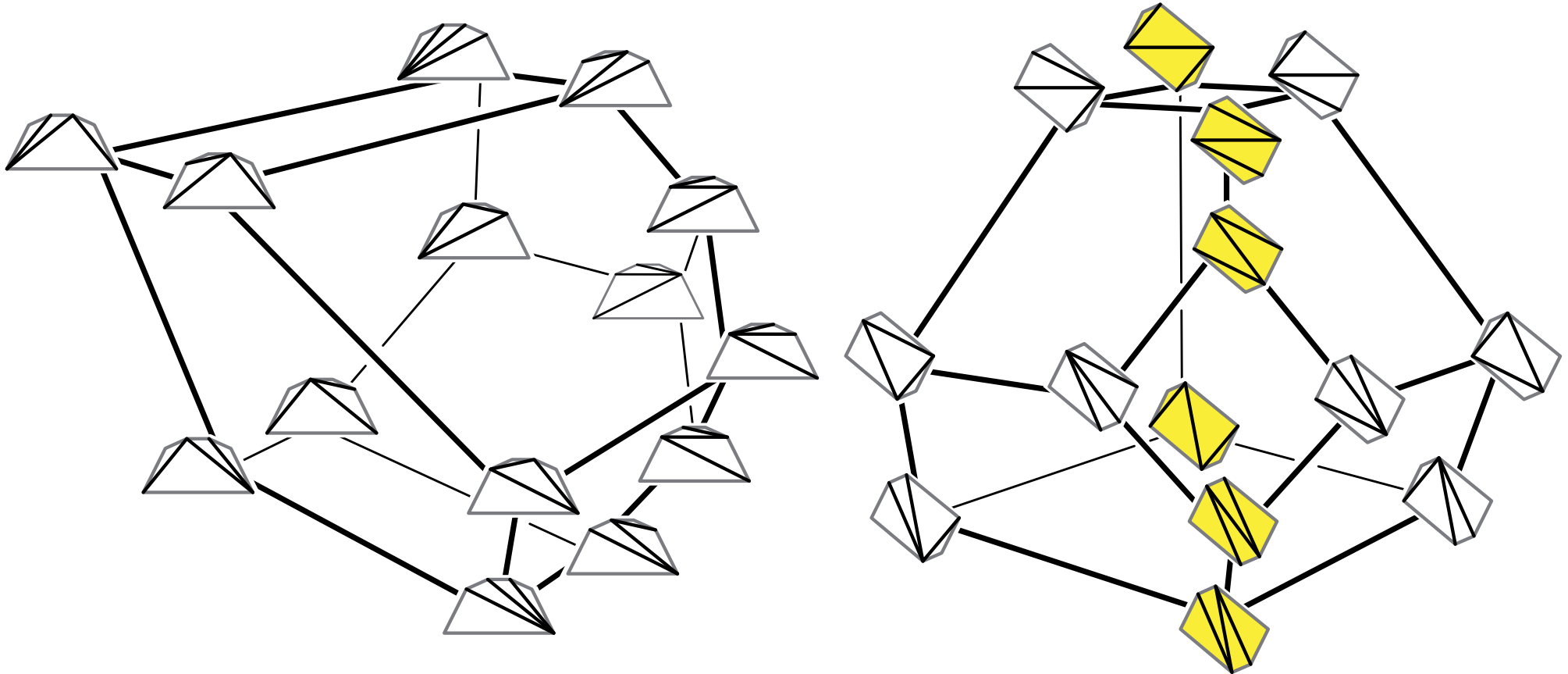
for $x \in \{a, b\}^{n-2}$, define a reduced alternating network \mathcal{N}_x and a polygon \mathcal{P}_x



Pseudoline arrangements on $\mathcal{N}_x^1 \longleftrightarrow$ triangulations of the polygon \mathcal{P}_x .

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For any word $x \in \{a, b\}^{n-2}$, the brick polytope $\Omega(\mathcal{N}_x^1)$ is an associahedron

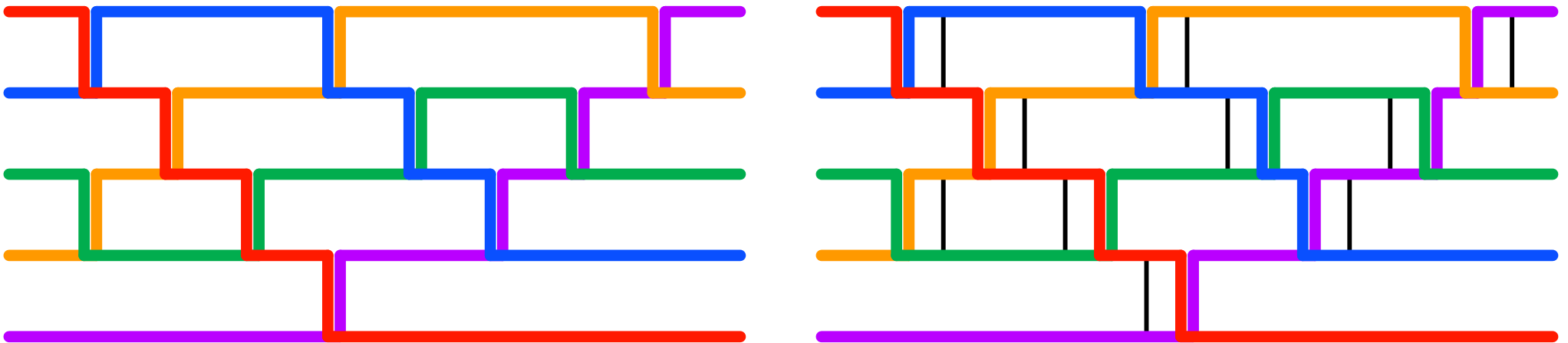


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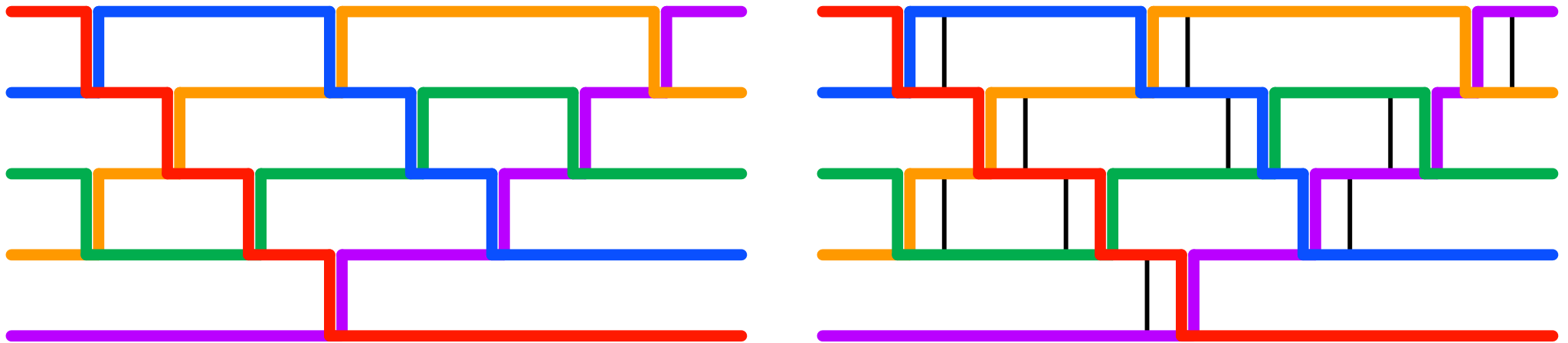
reduced network = network with n levels and $\binom{n}{2}$ commutators
it supports only one pseudoline arrangement

duplicated network Π = network with n levels and $2\binom{n}{2}$ commutators obtained by
duplicating each commutator of a reduced network



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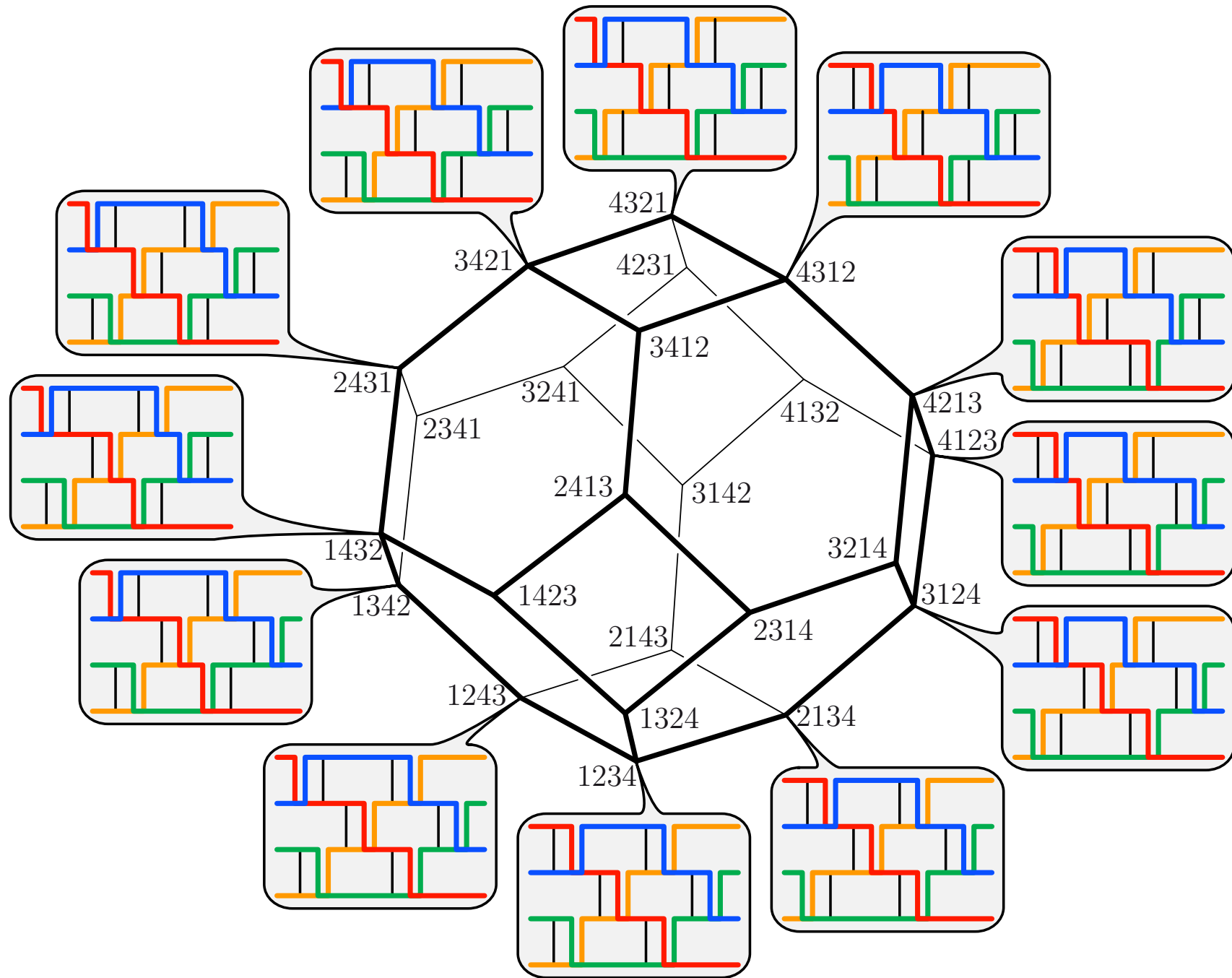


Any pseudoline arrangement supported by Π has one contact and one crossing among each pair of duplicated commutators \implies The contact graph $\Lambda^\#$ is a tournament.

Vertices of $\Omega(\Pi)$ \iff acyclic tournaments \iff permutations of $[n]$

Brick polytope $\Omega(\Pi) =$ permutahedron

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THANK YOU