

A not 3-choosable planar graph without 3-cycles

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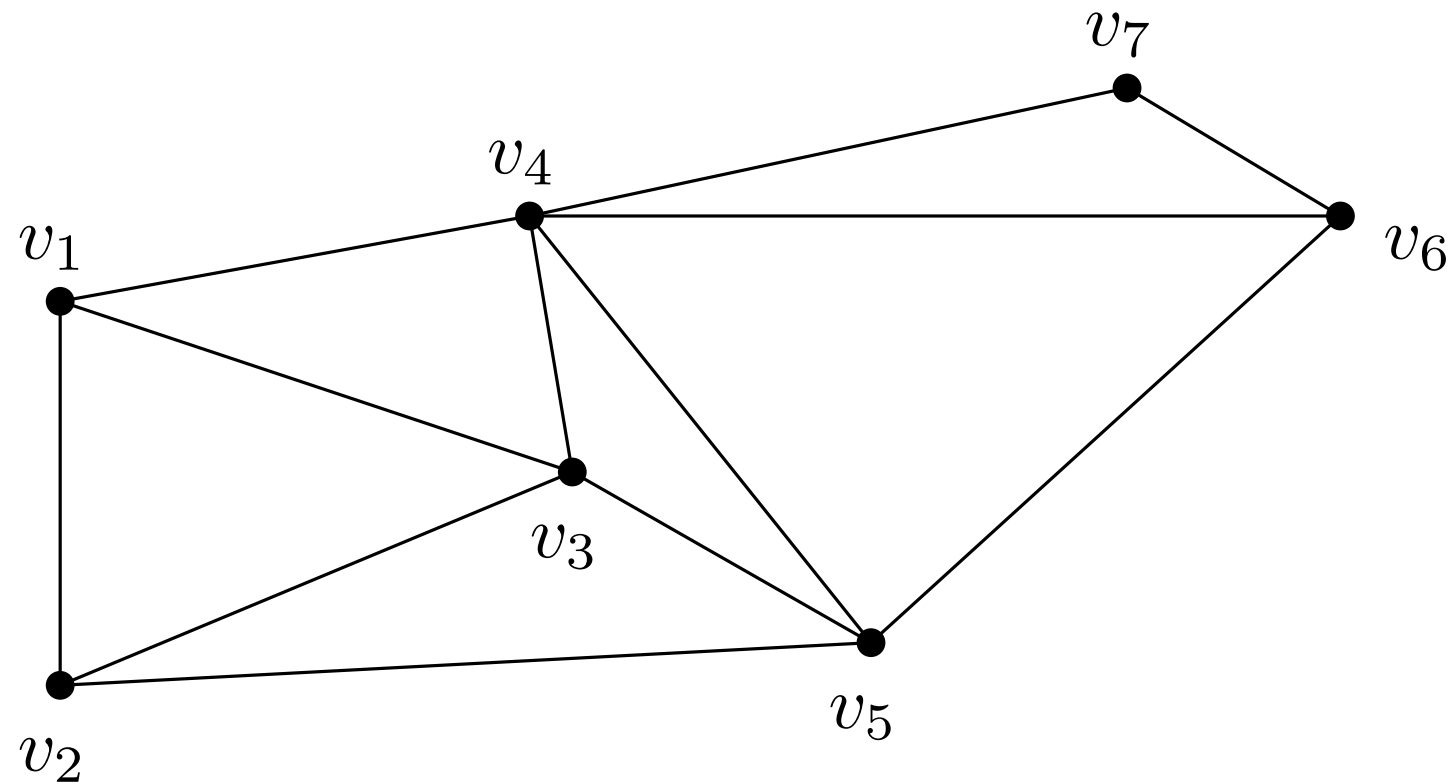
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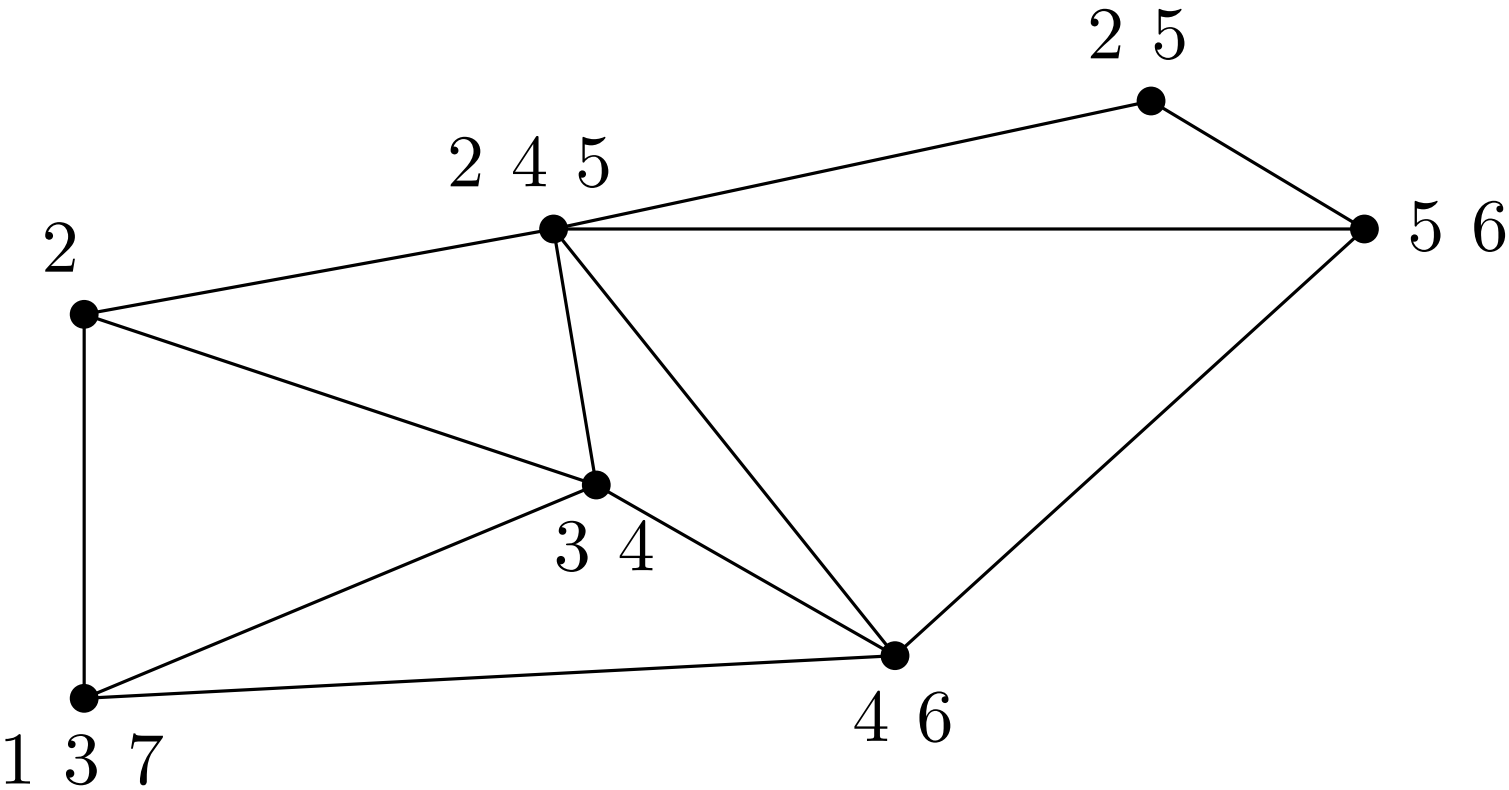
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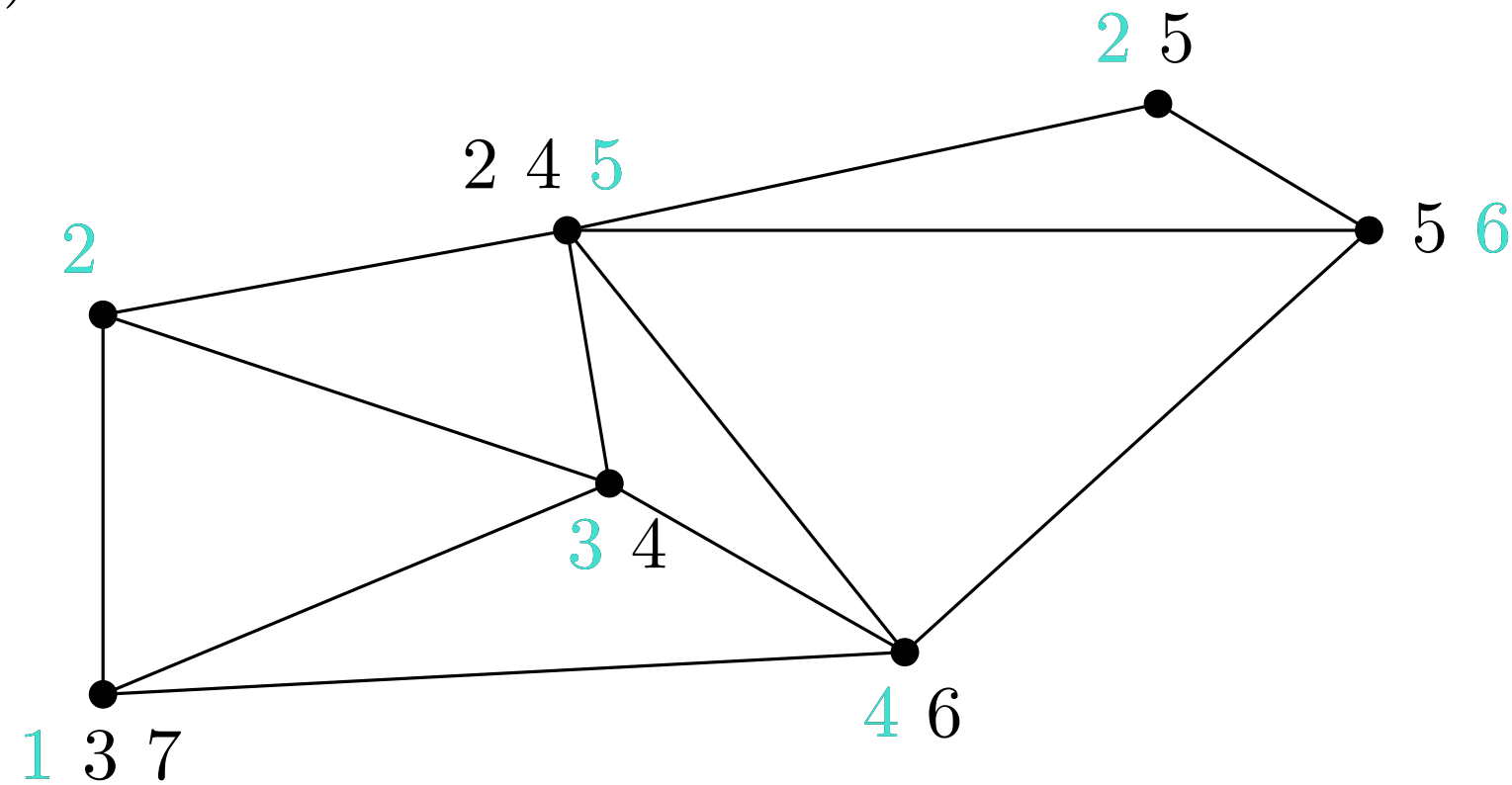
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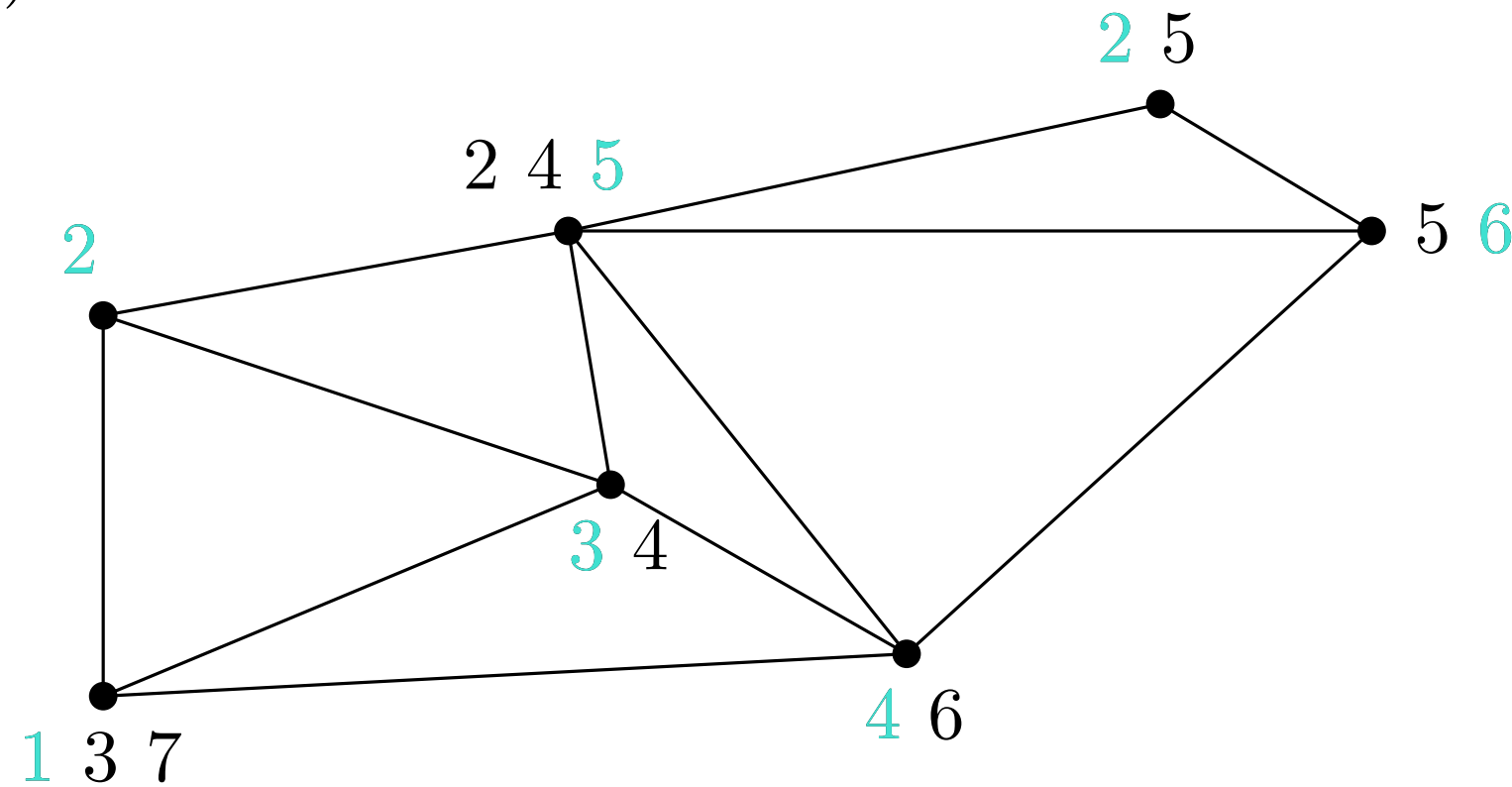
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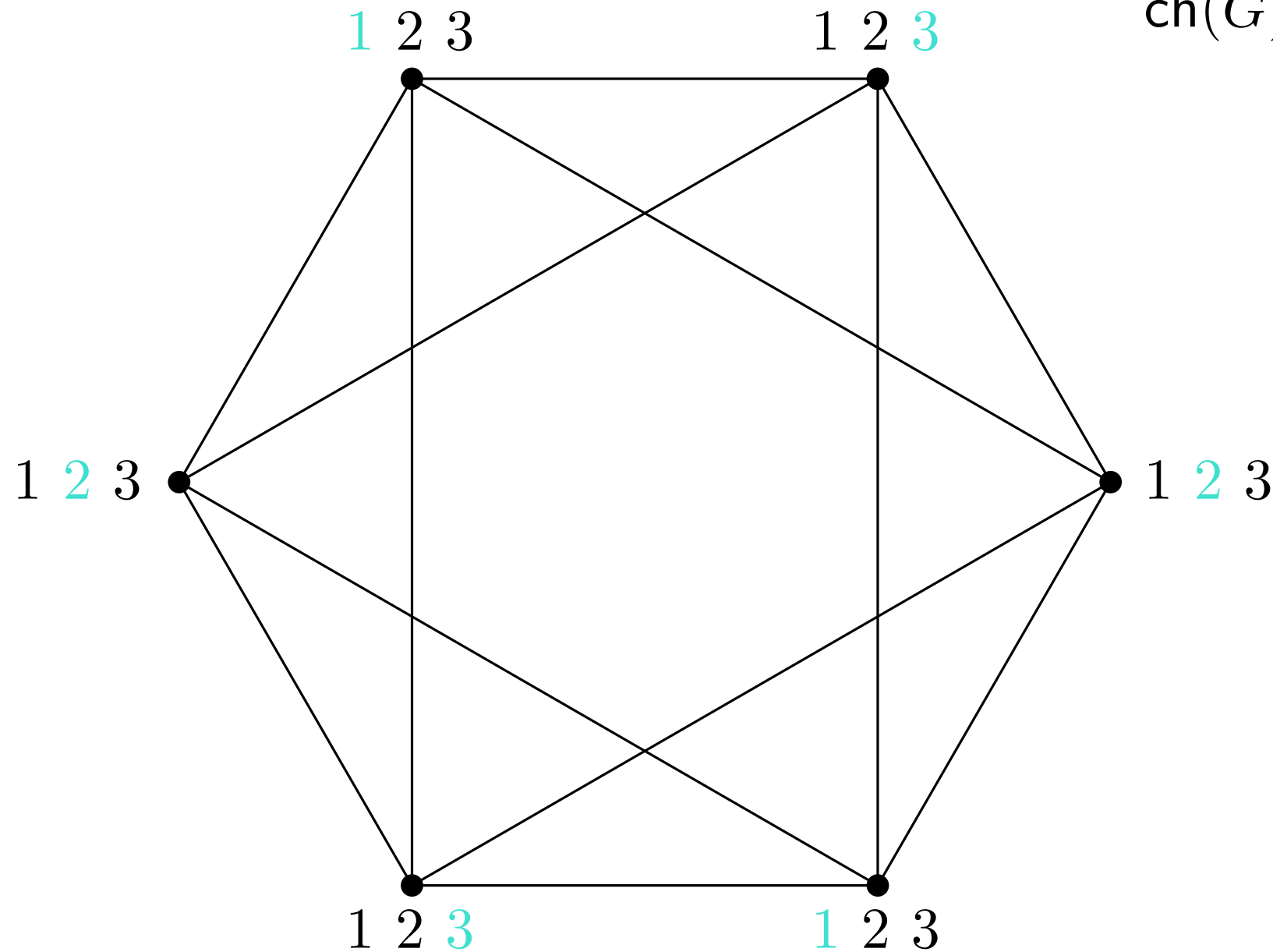
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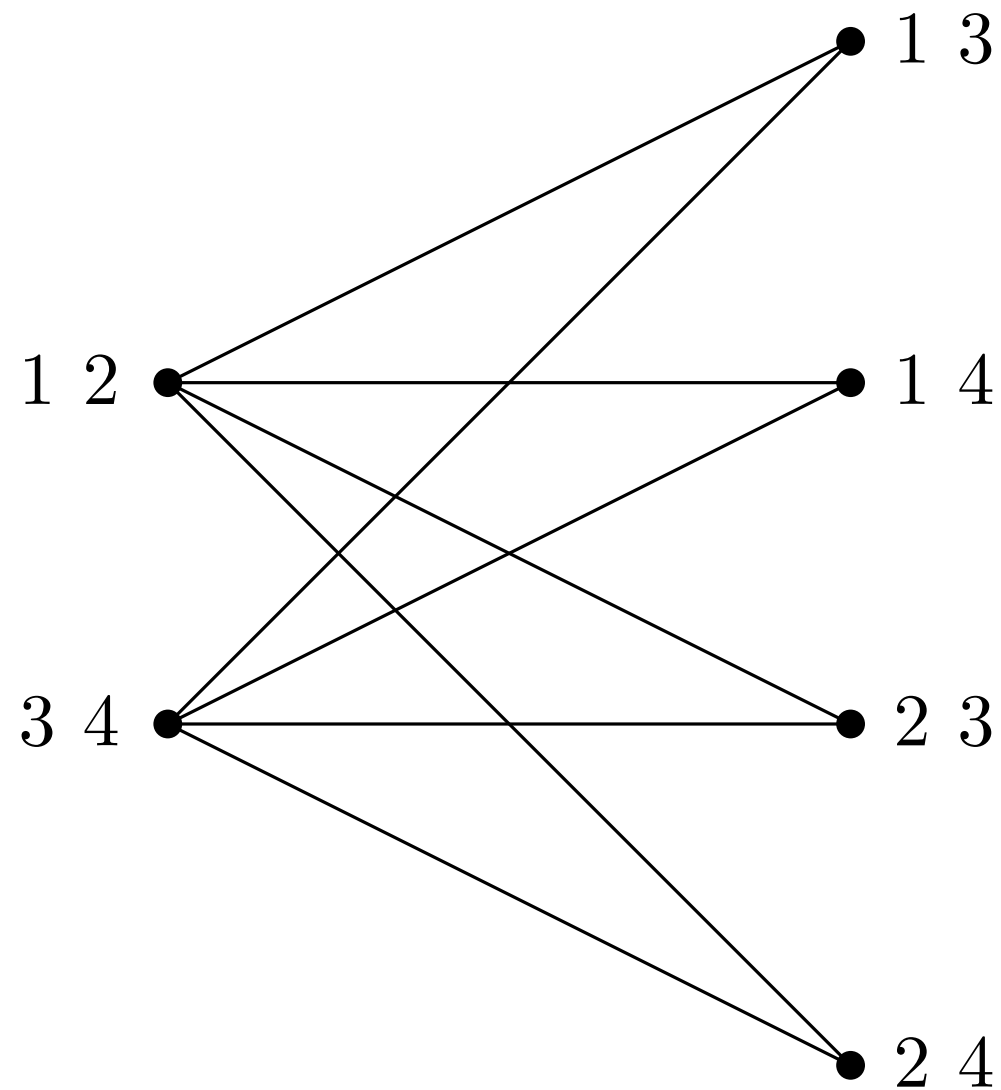
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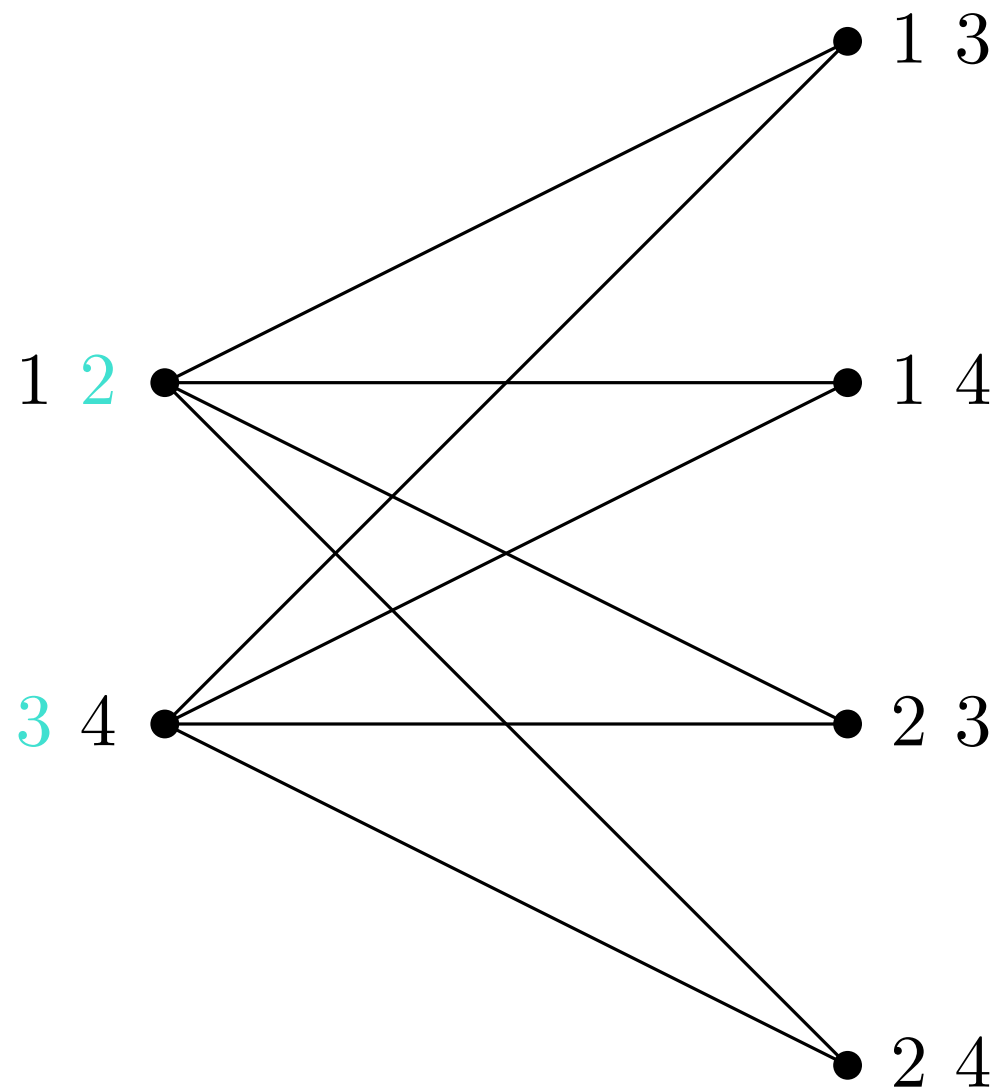
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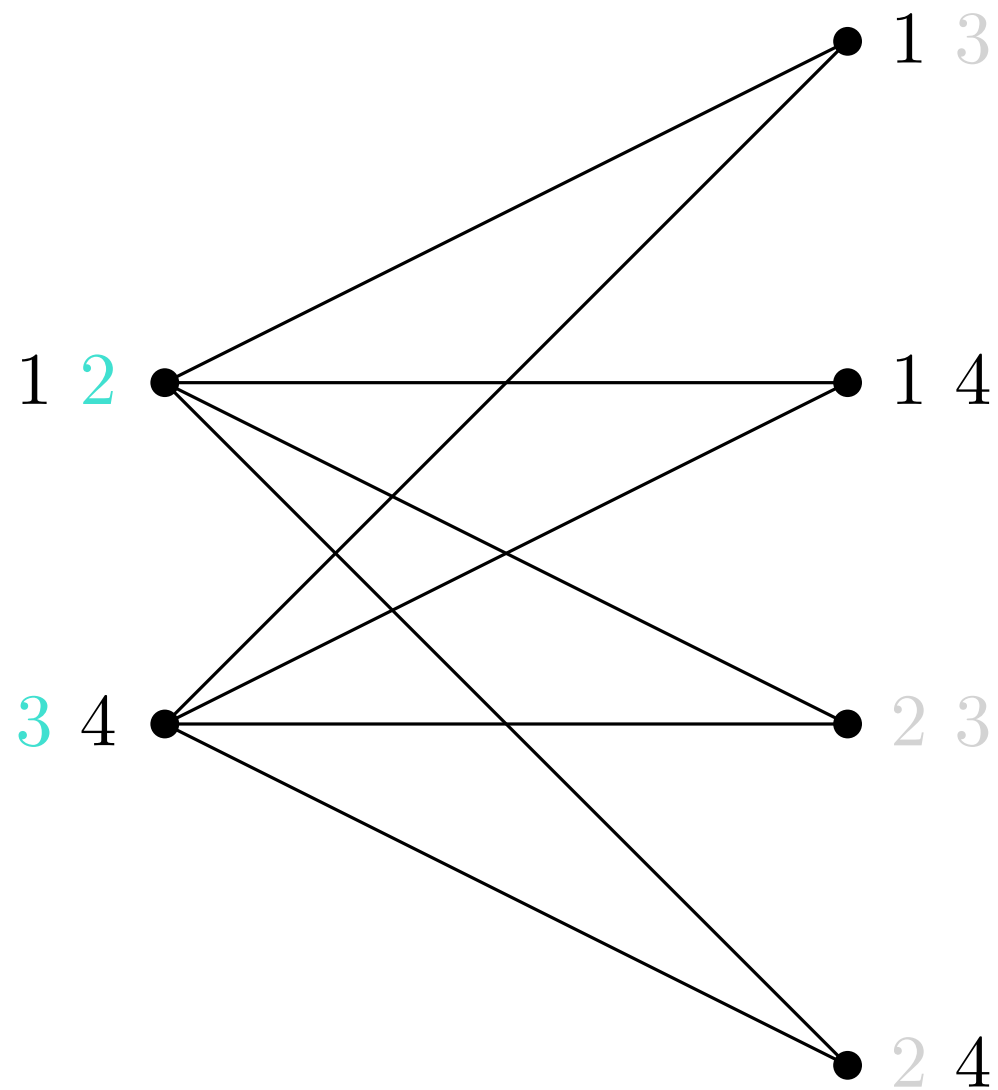
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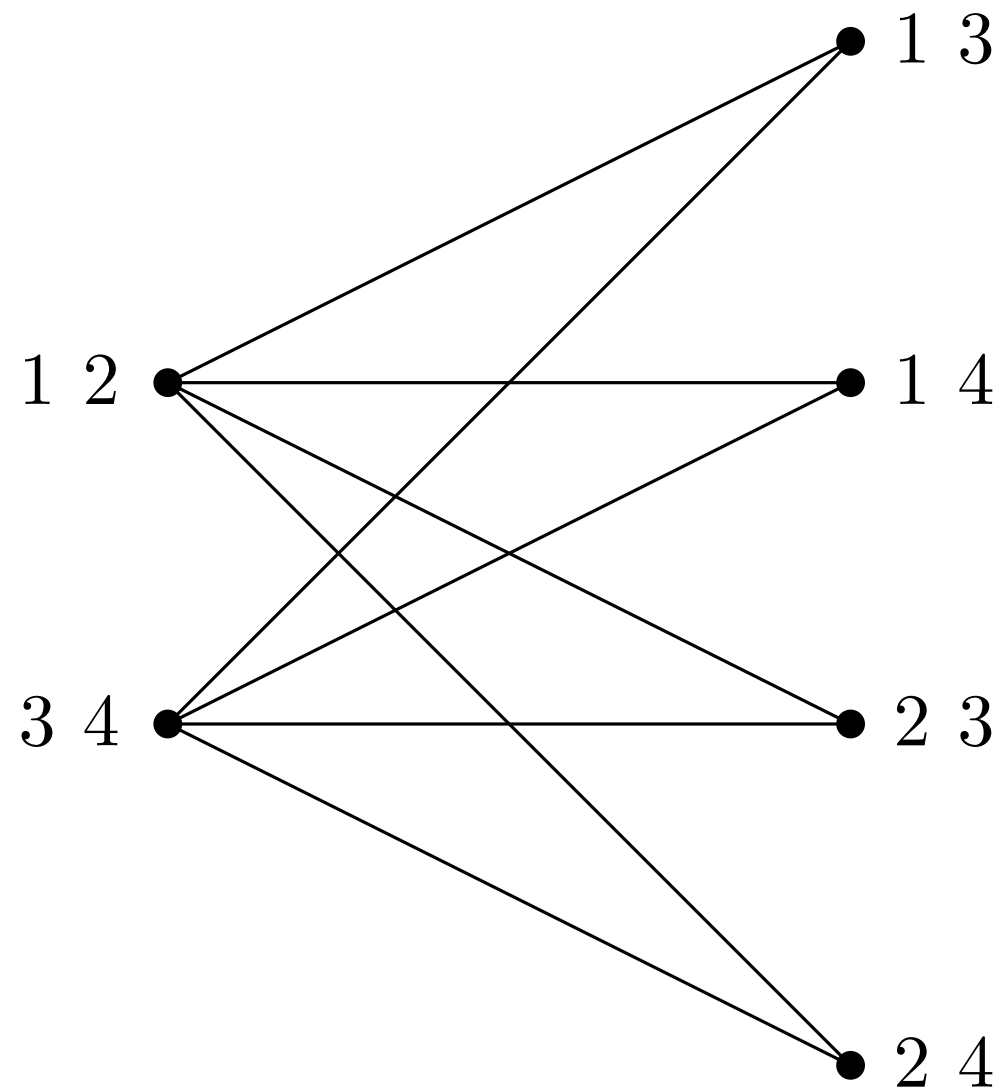
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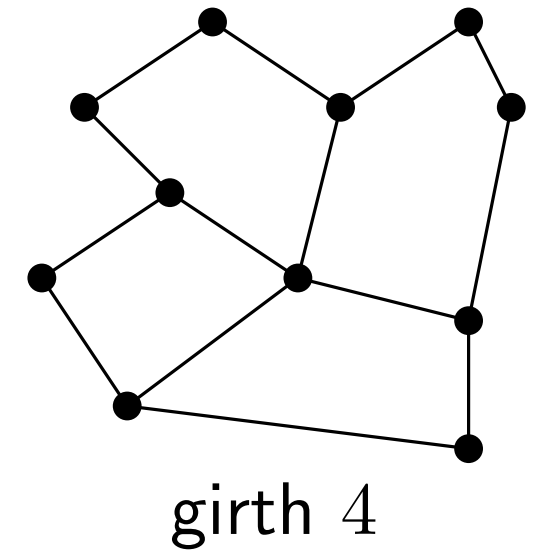
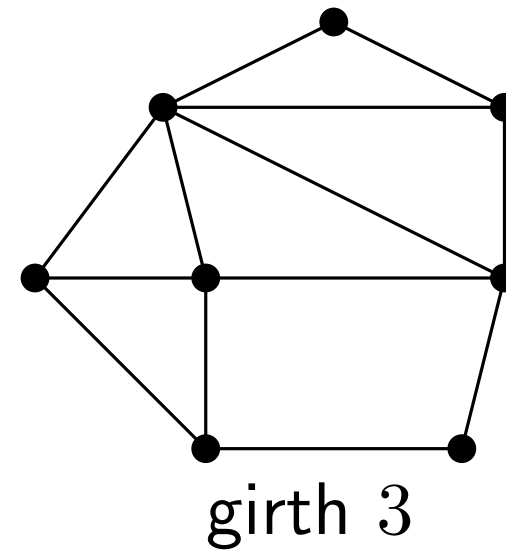
- $\chi(K_{q,q^q}) = 2$
- $\text{ch}(K_{q,q^q}) \geq q$

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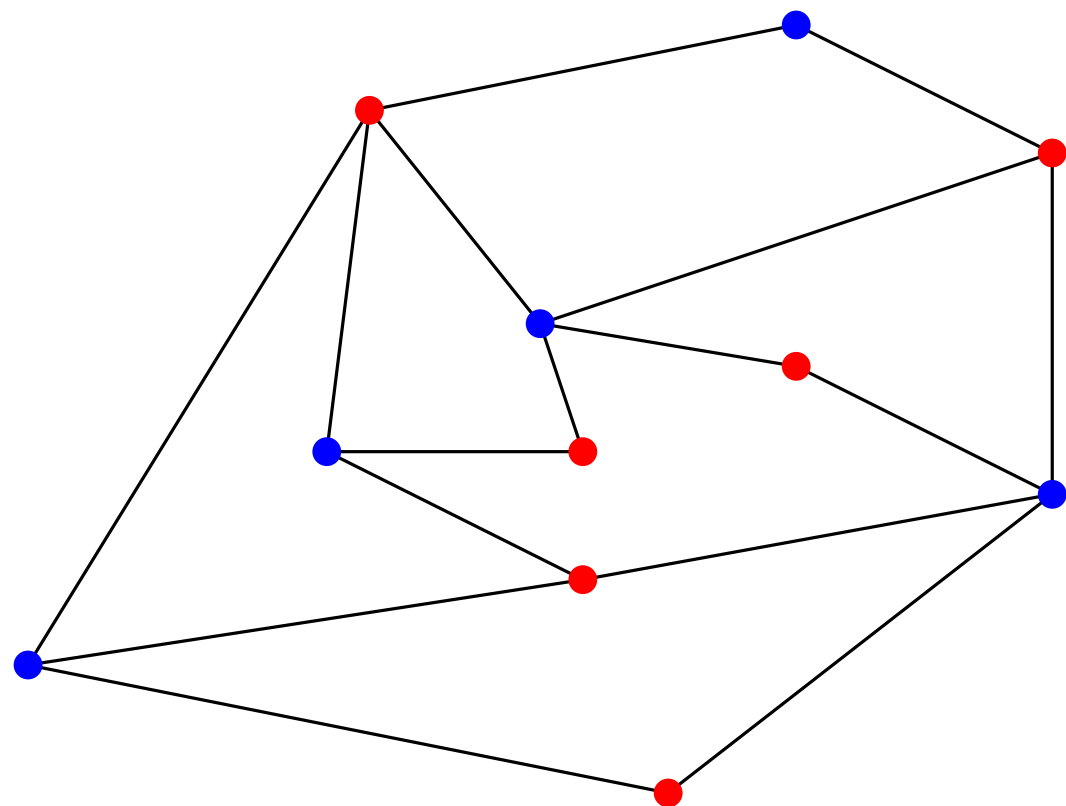
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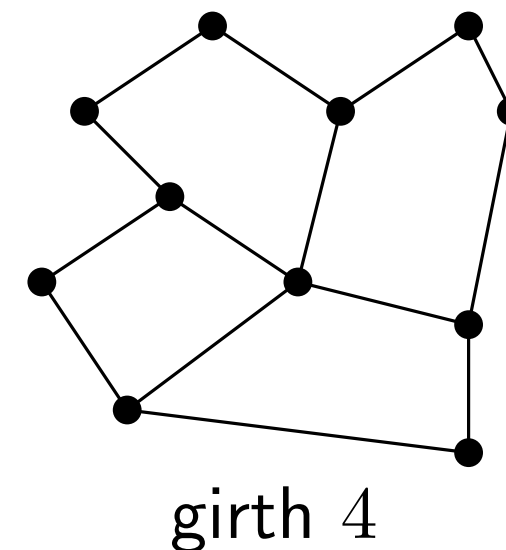
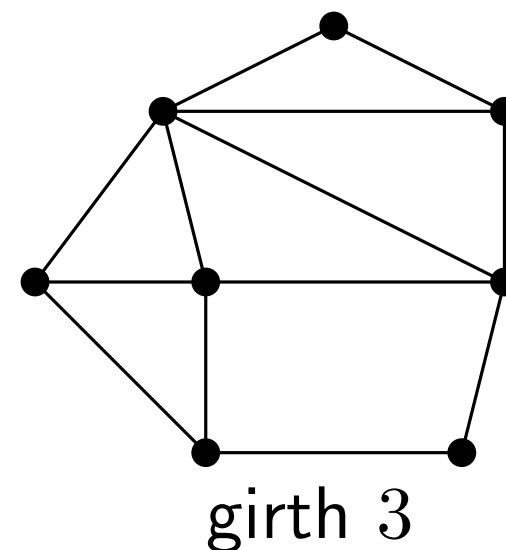
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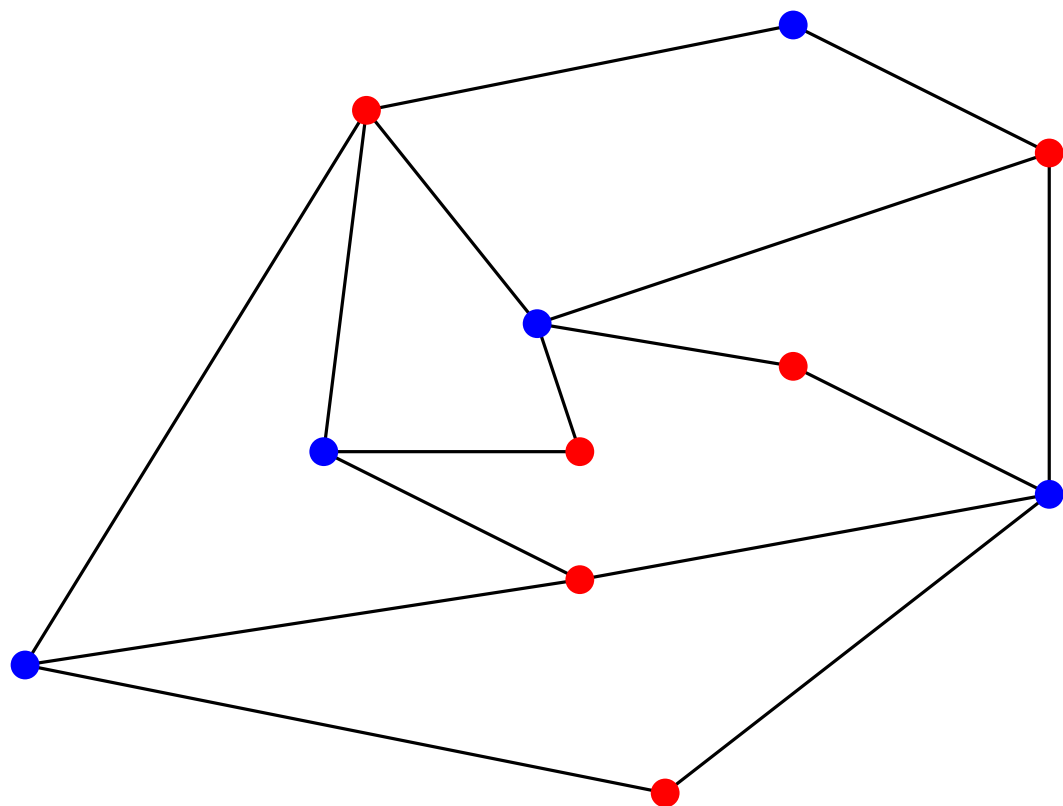
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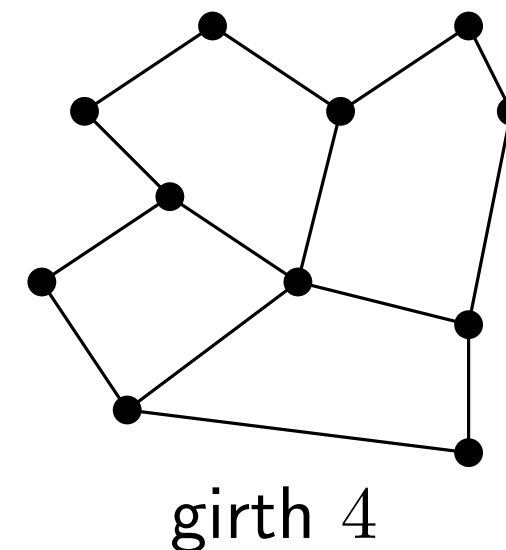
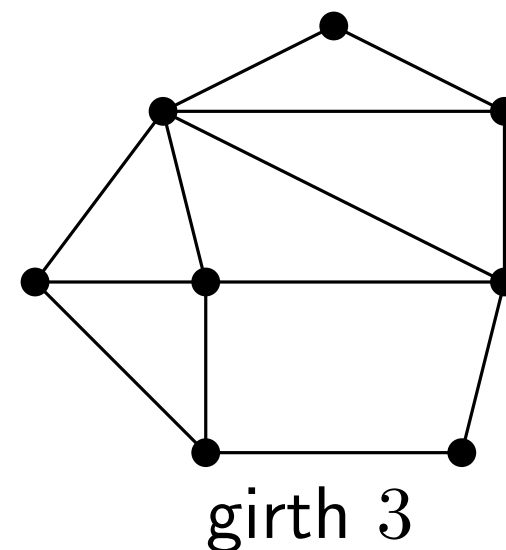
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$\text{mad}(G)$ - maximum average degree of G over all its subgraphs

Proof:

- For planar bipartite graphs,
 $e \leq 2v - 4 \Rightarrow \text{mad}(G) < 4$
- Bipartite graphs are $(\lceil \frac{\text{mad}(G)}{2} \rceil + 1)$ -choosable

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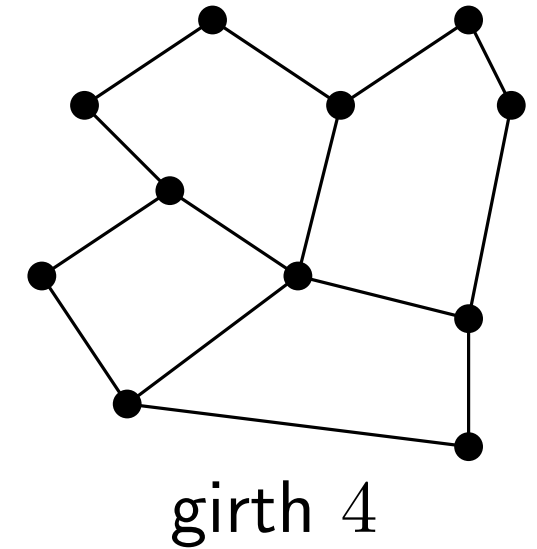
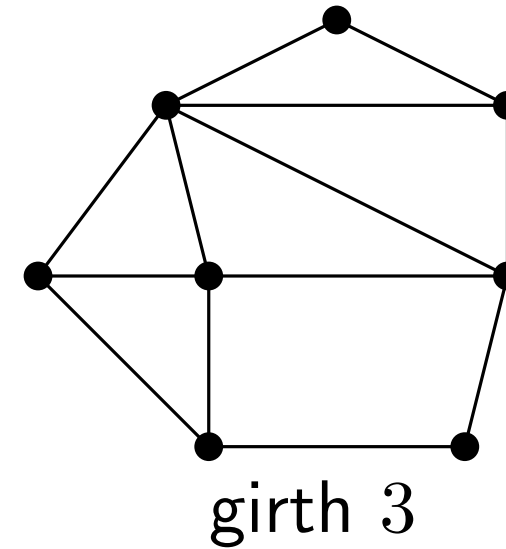
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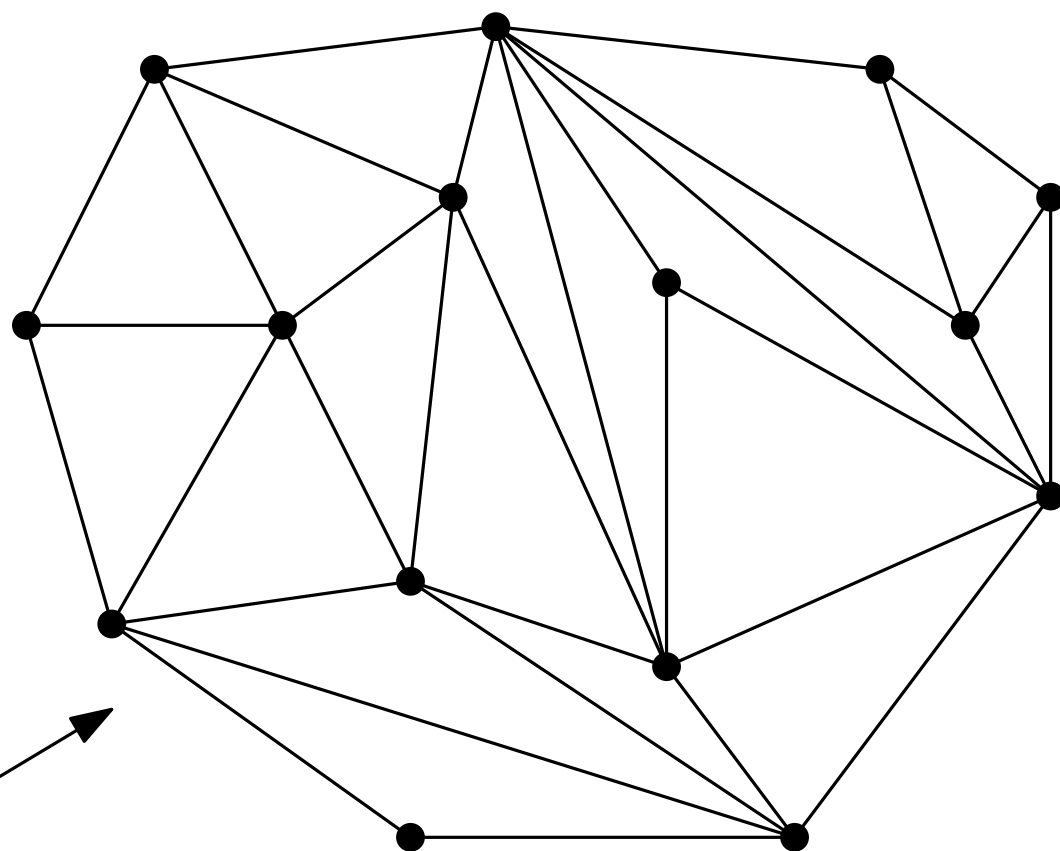
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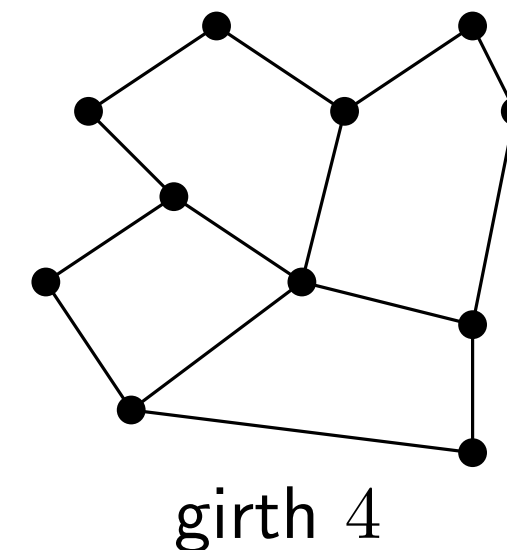
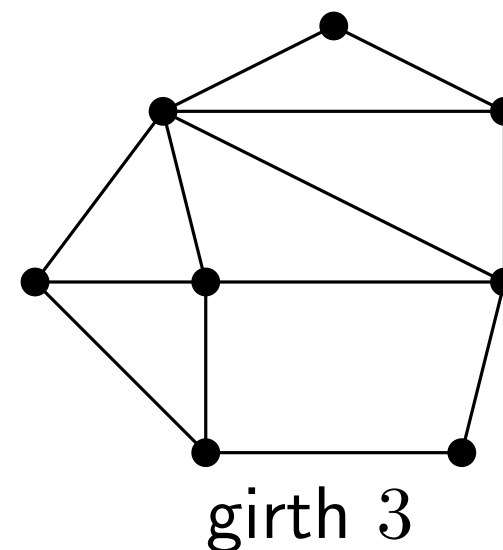
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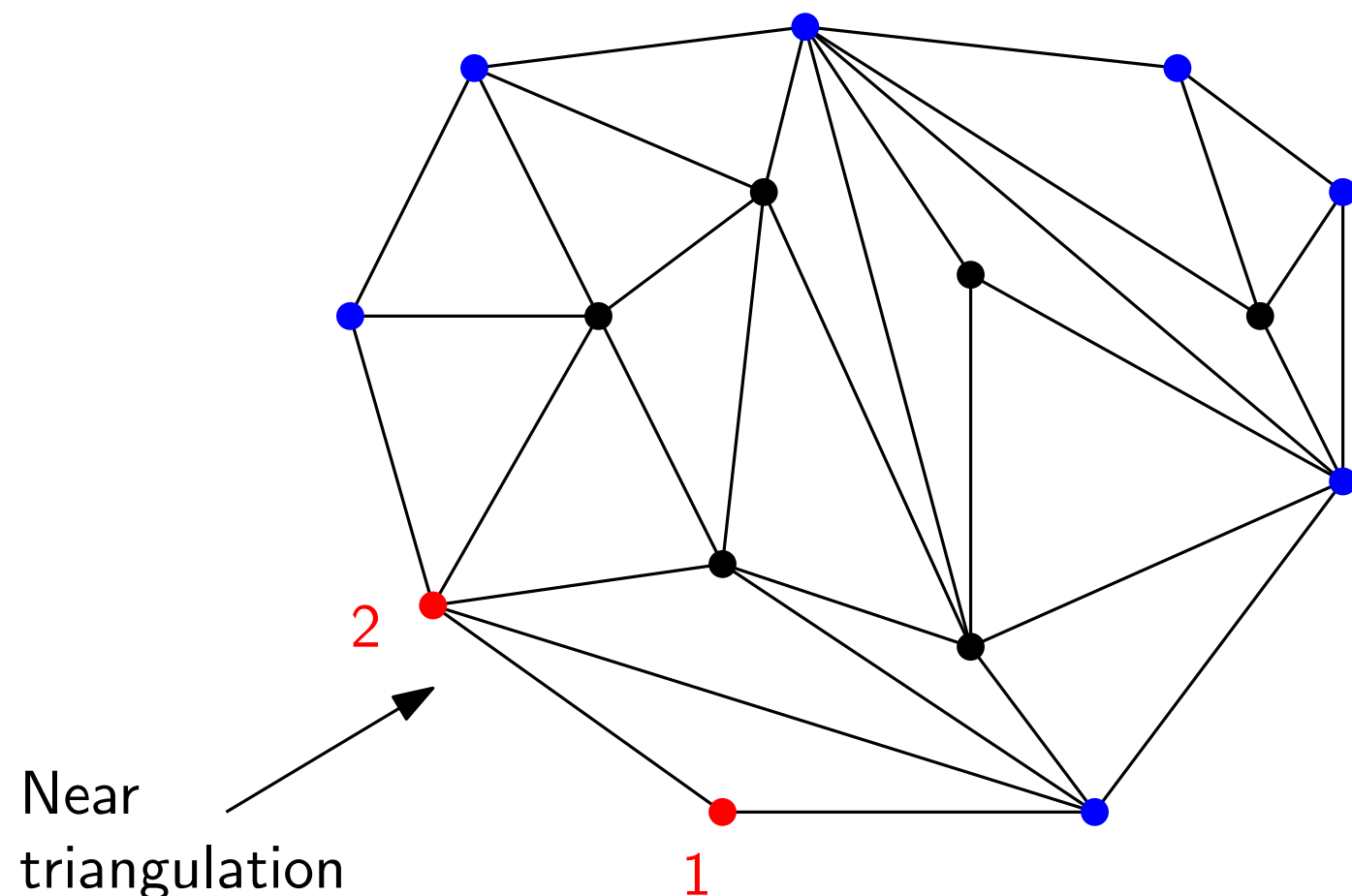
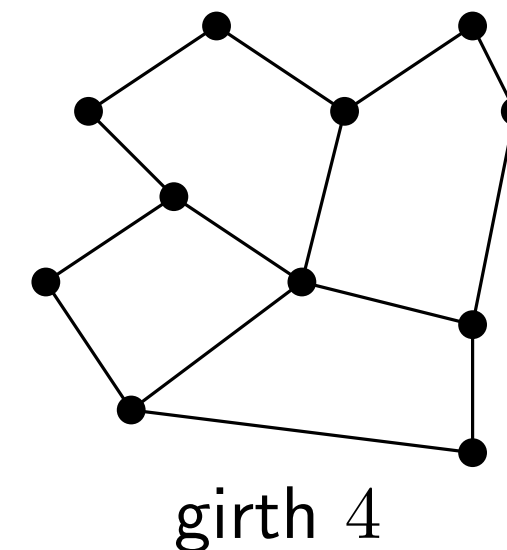
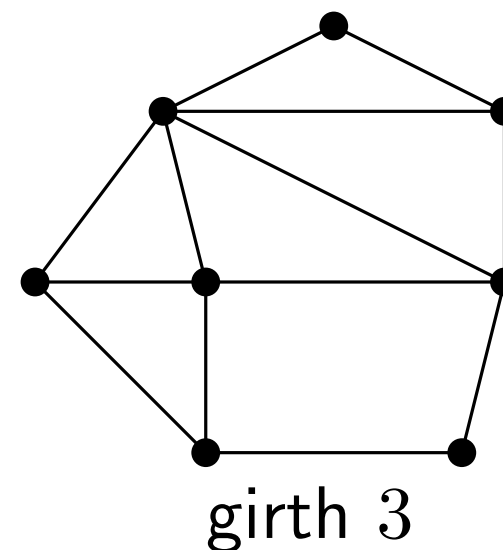
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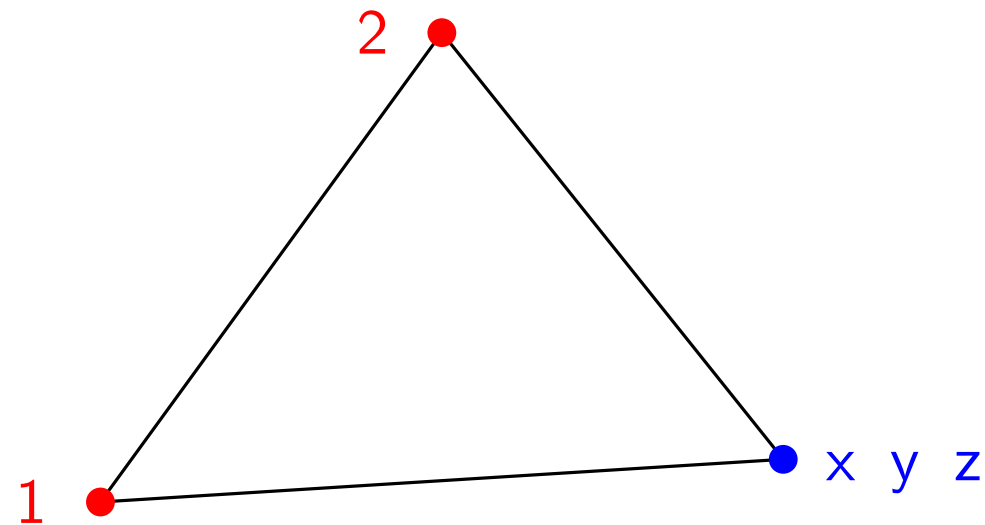
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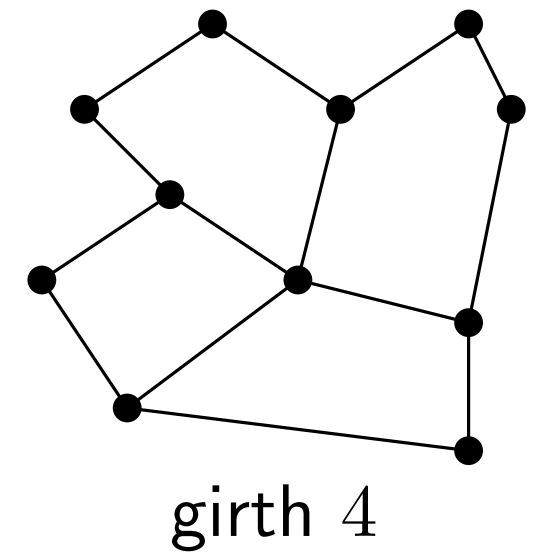
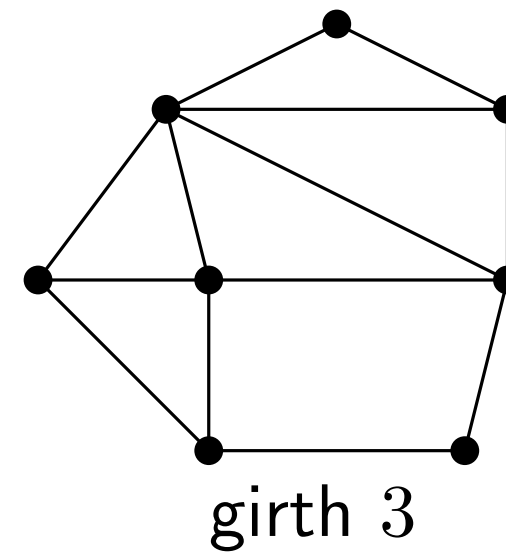
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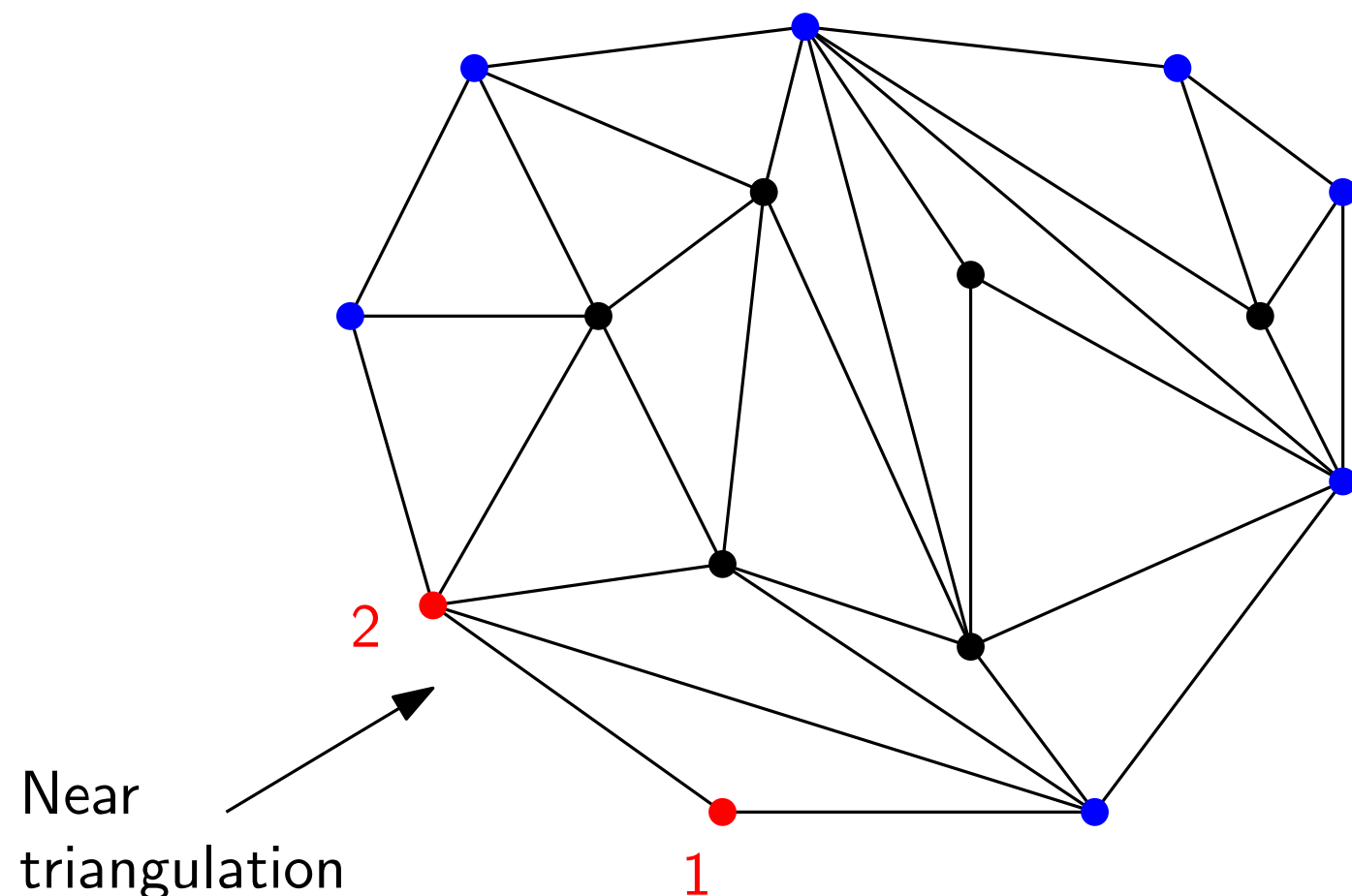
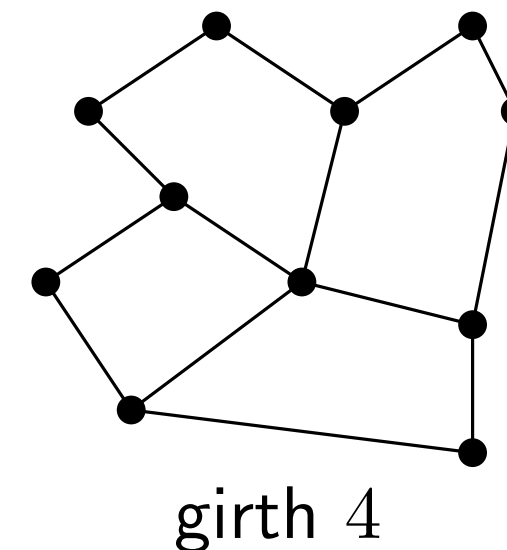
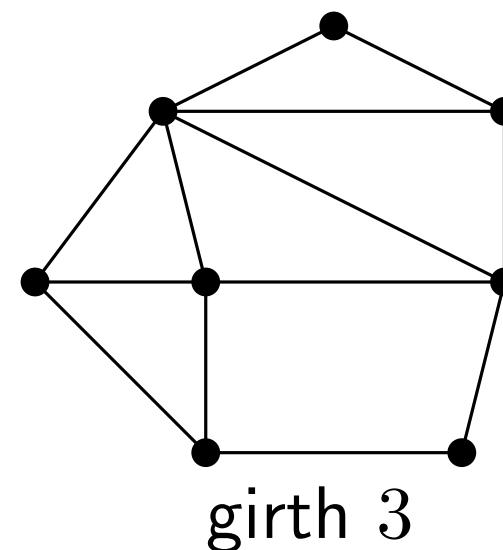
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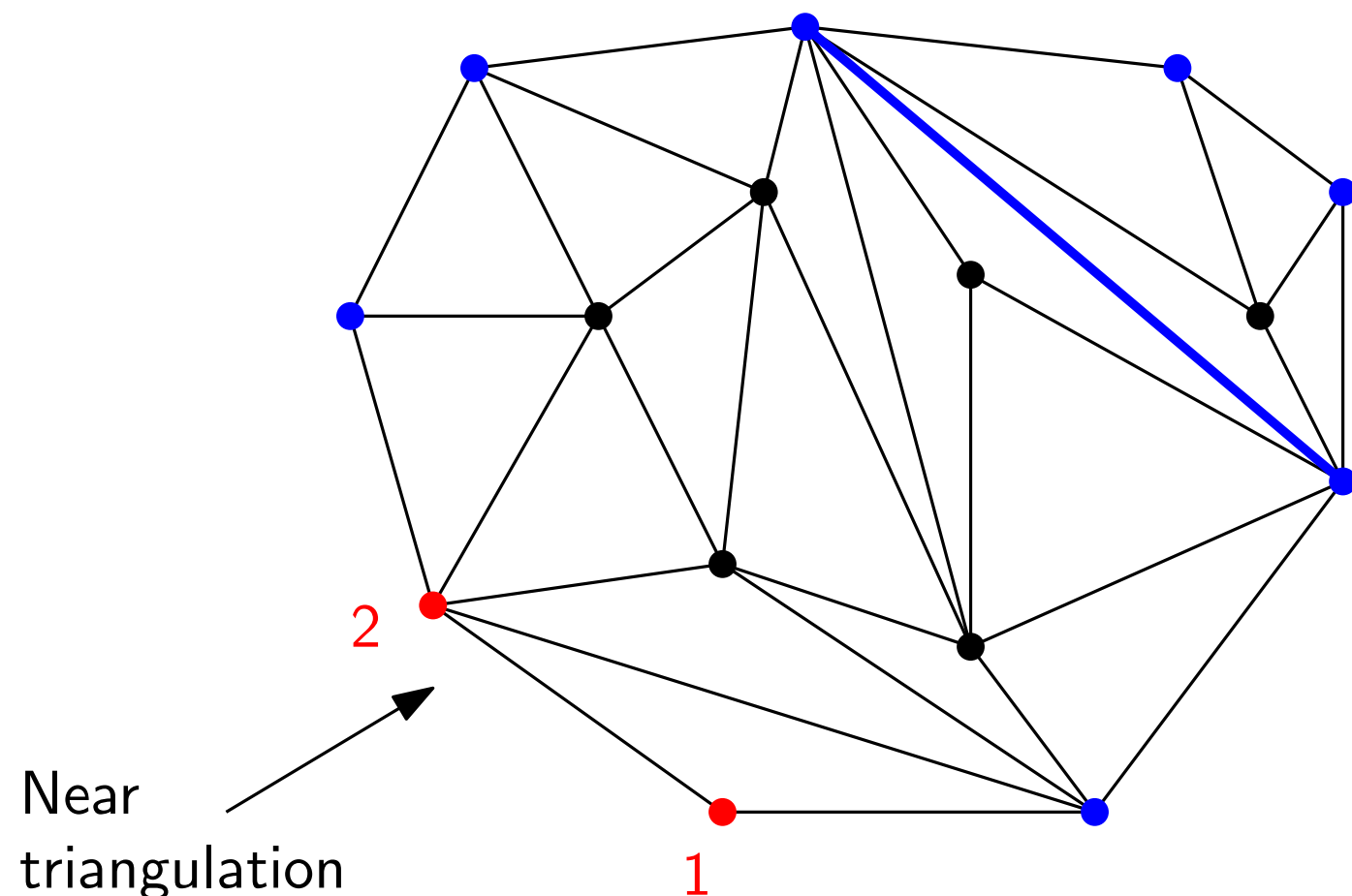
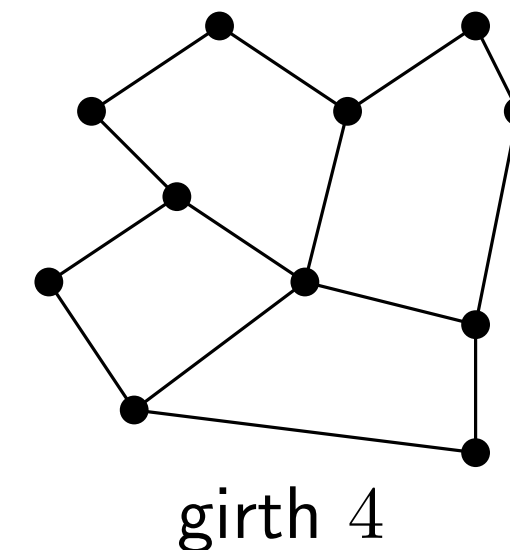
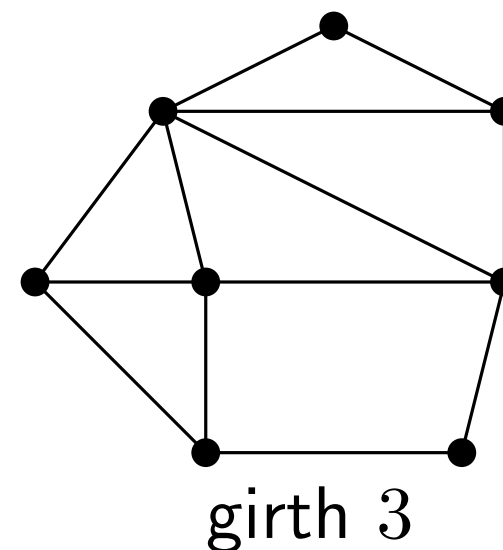
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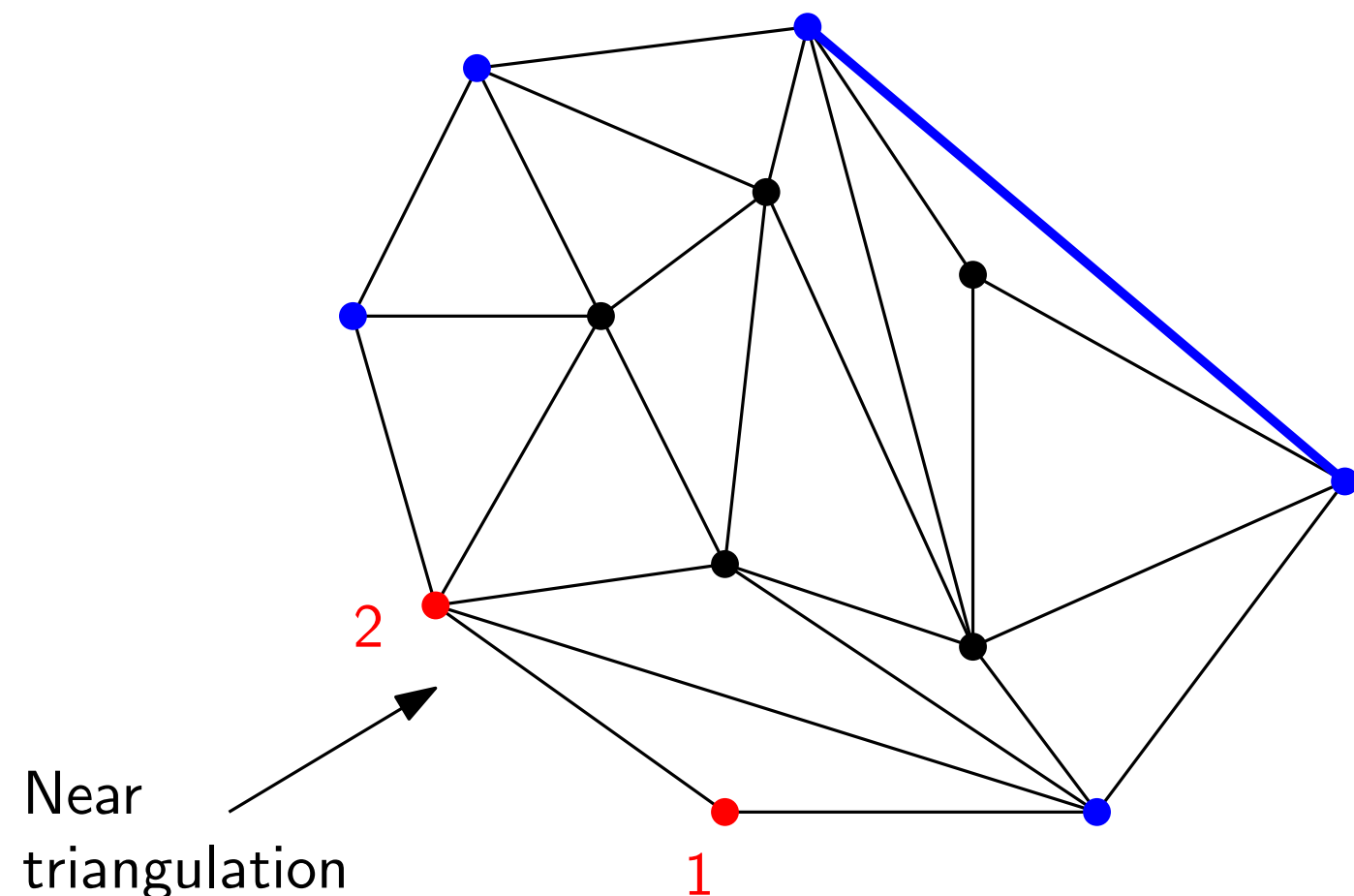
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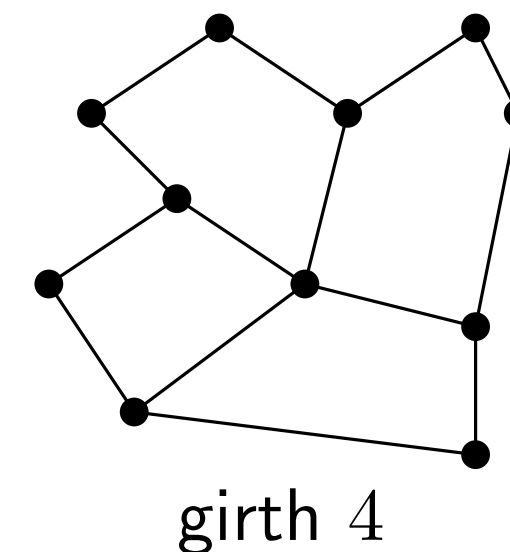
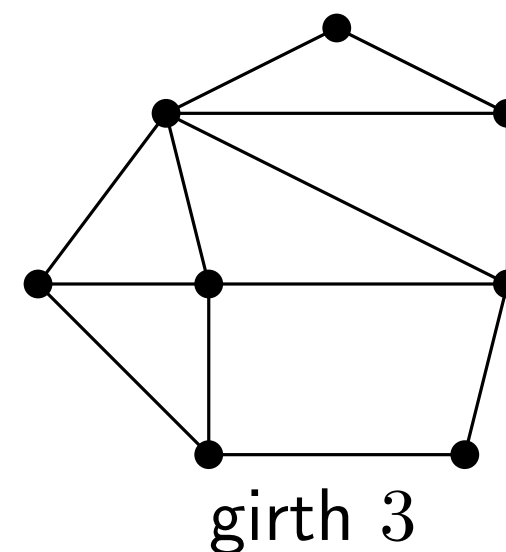
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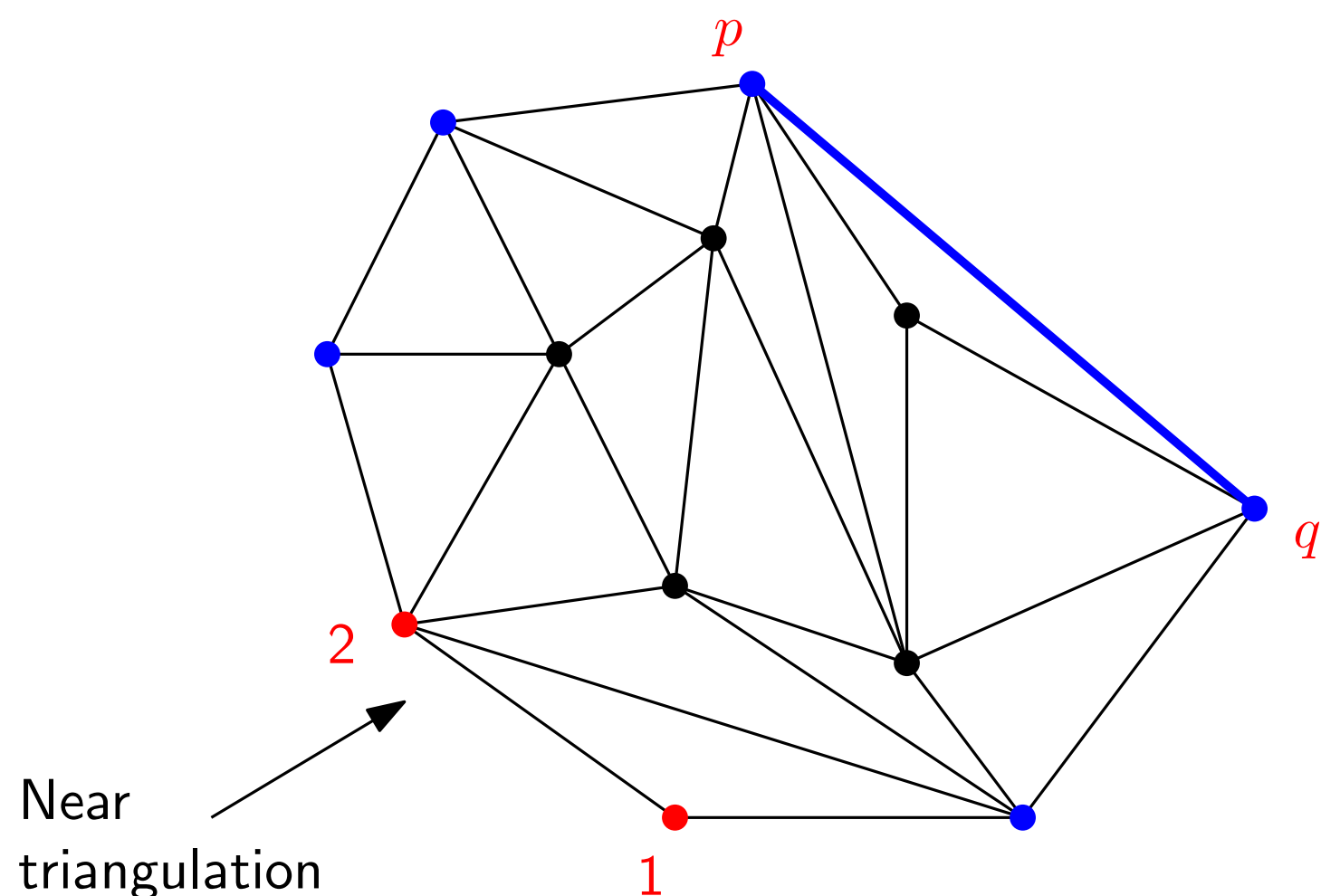
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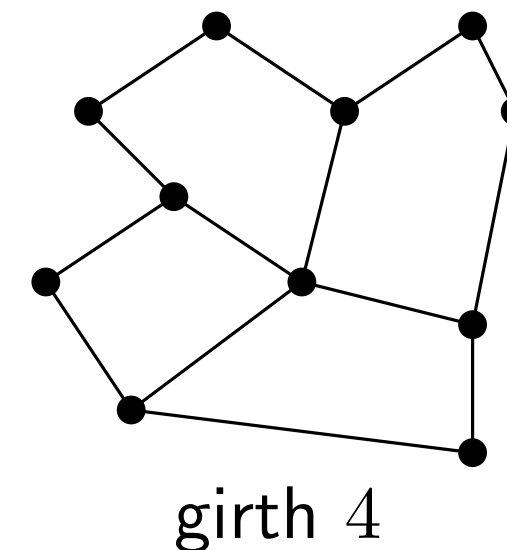
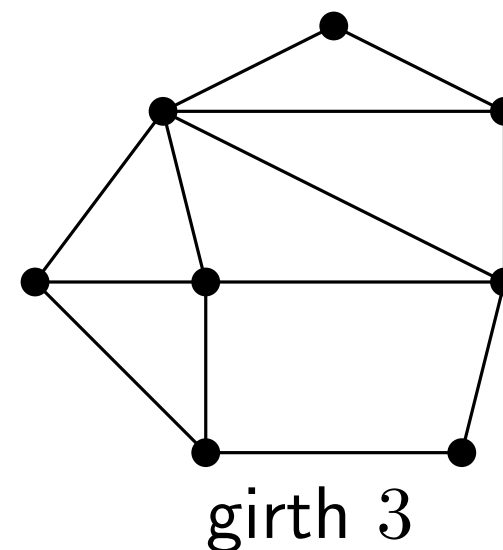
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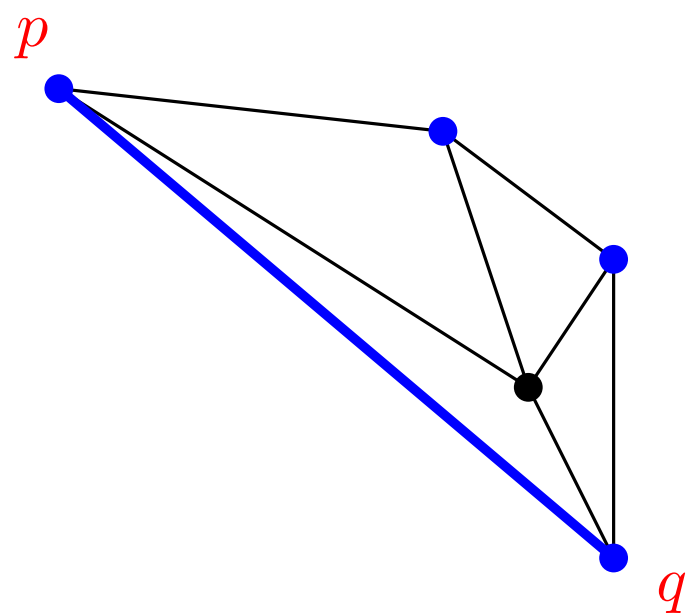
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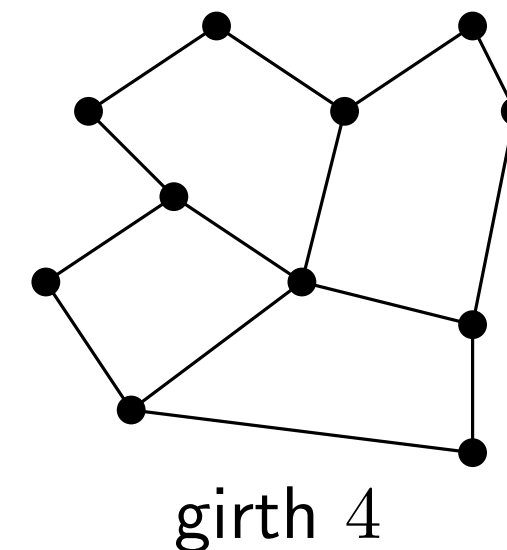
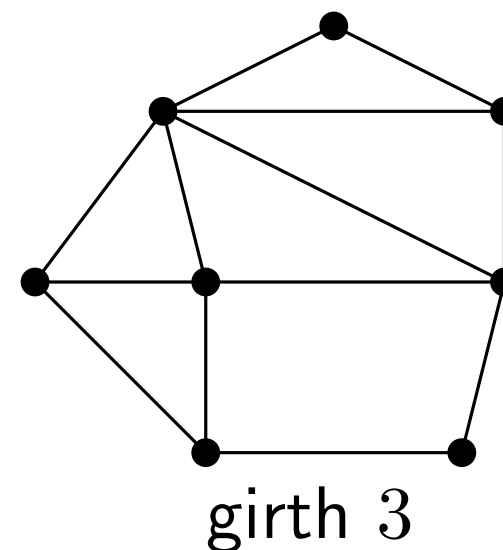
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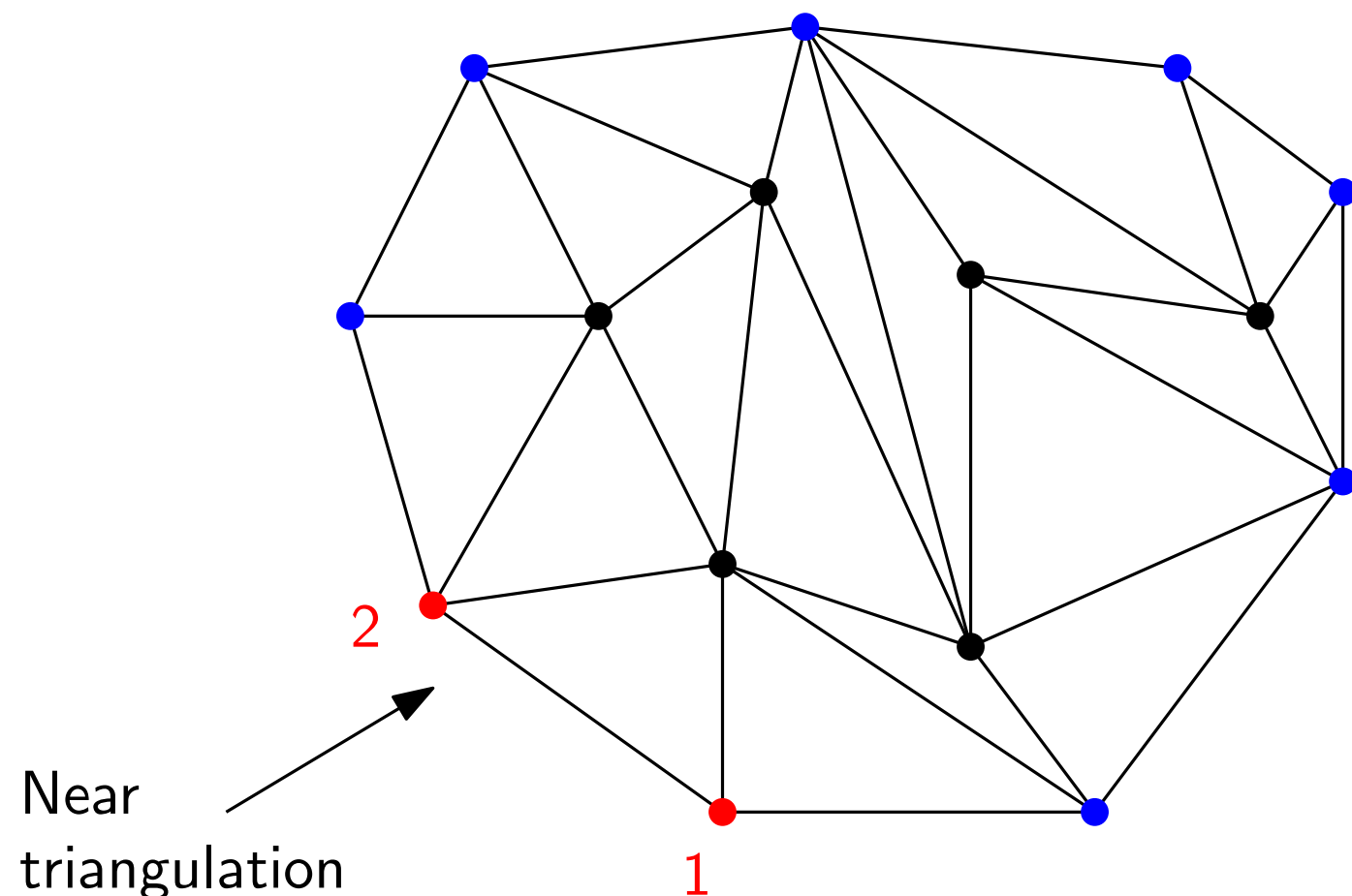
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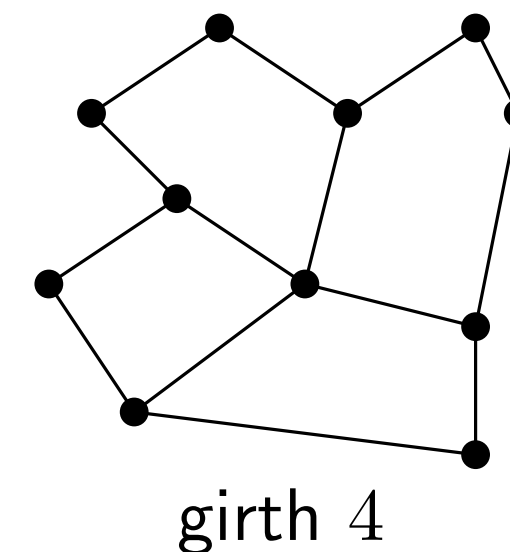
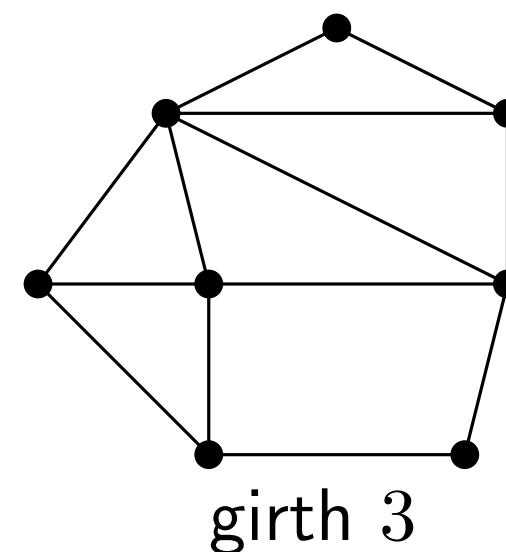
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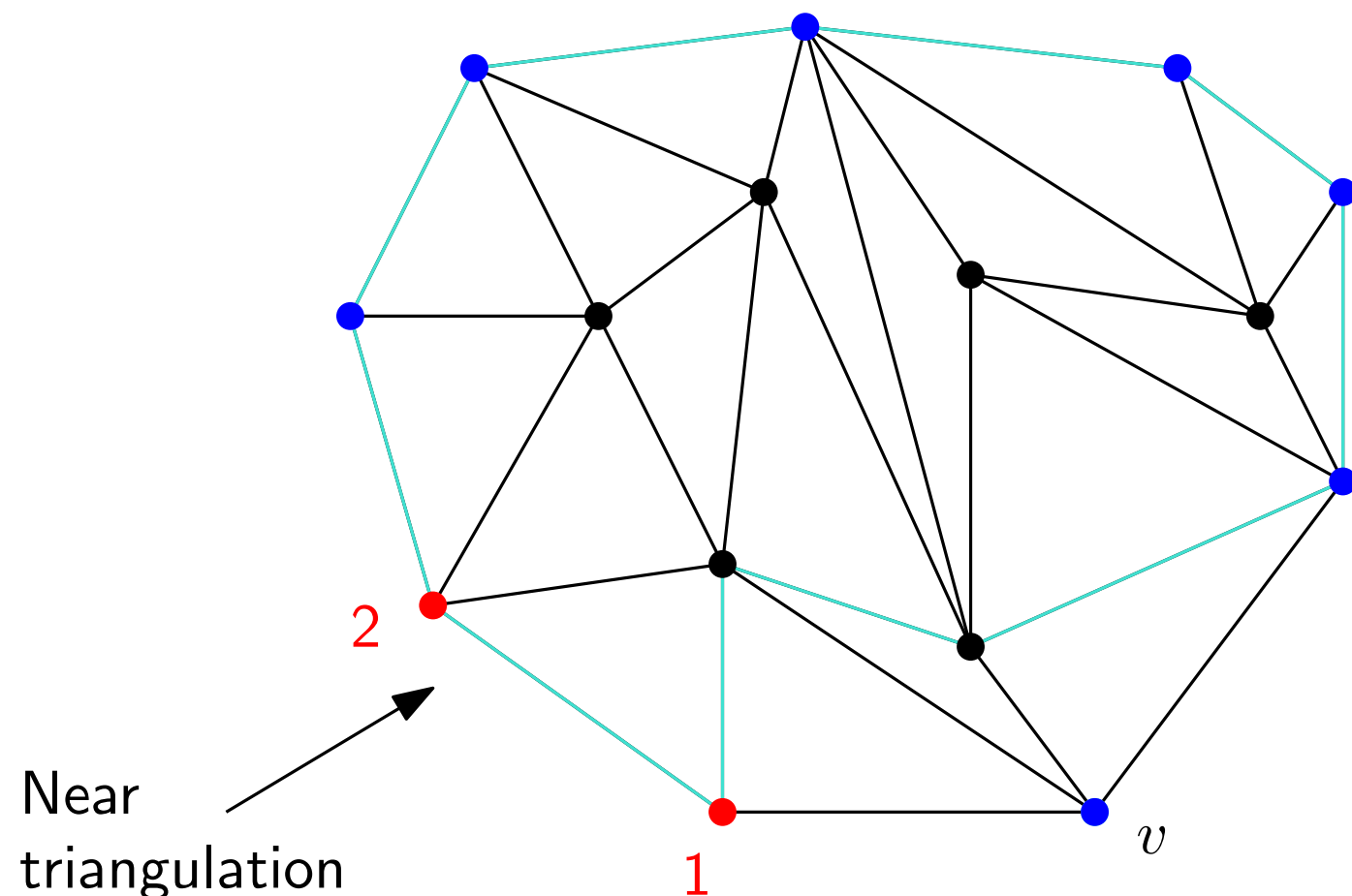
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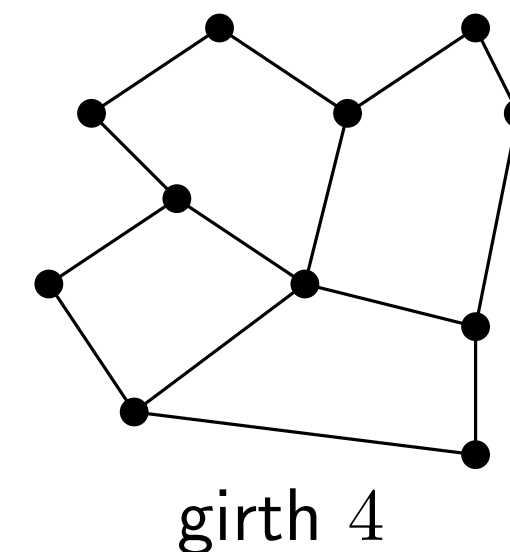
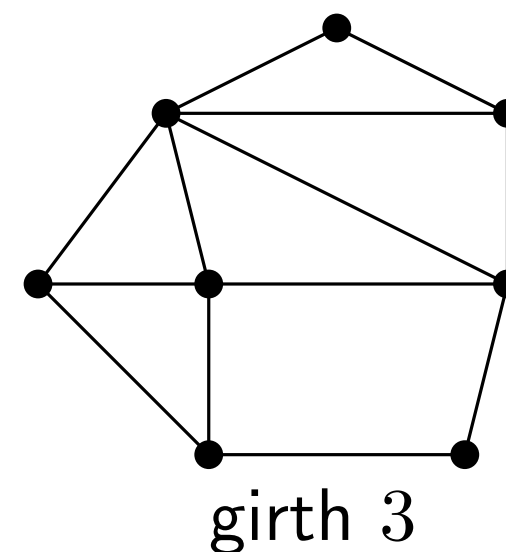
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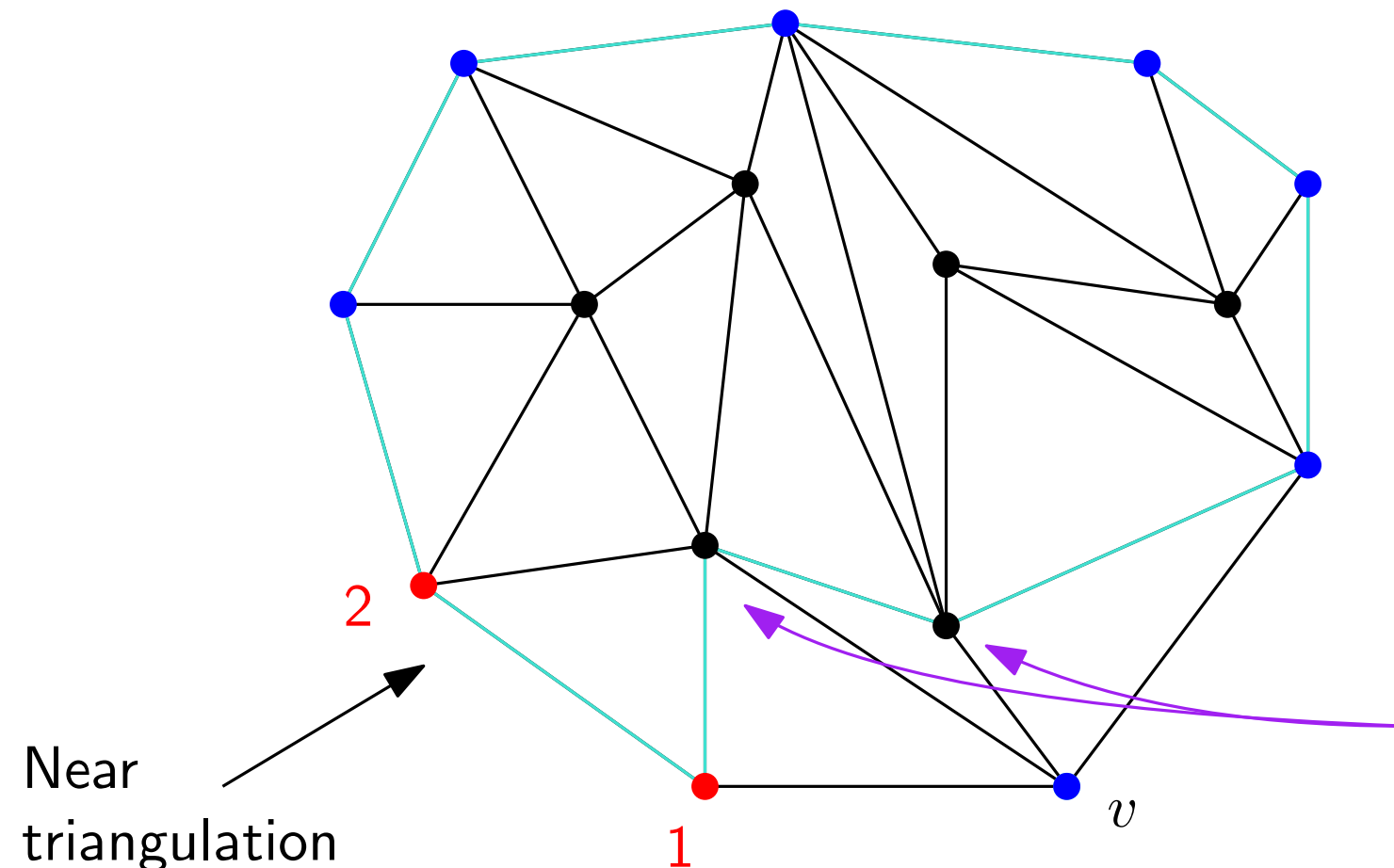
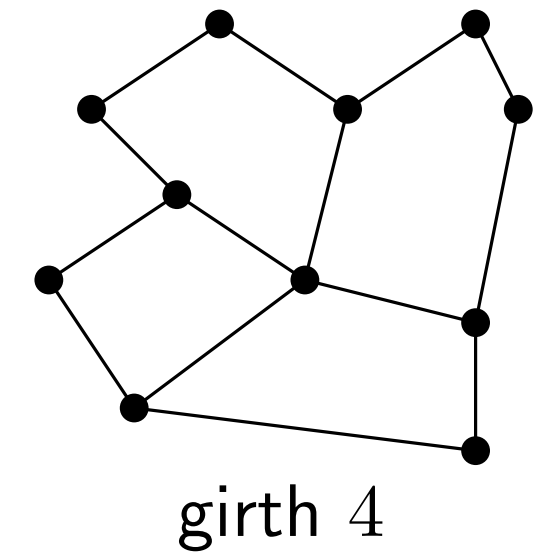
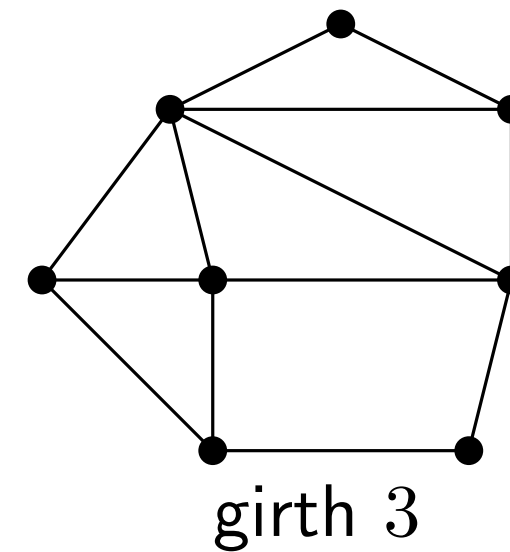
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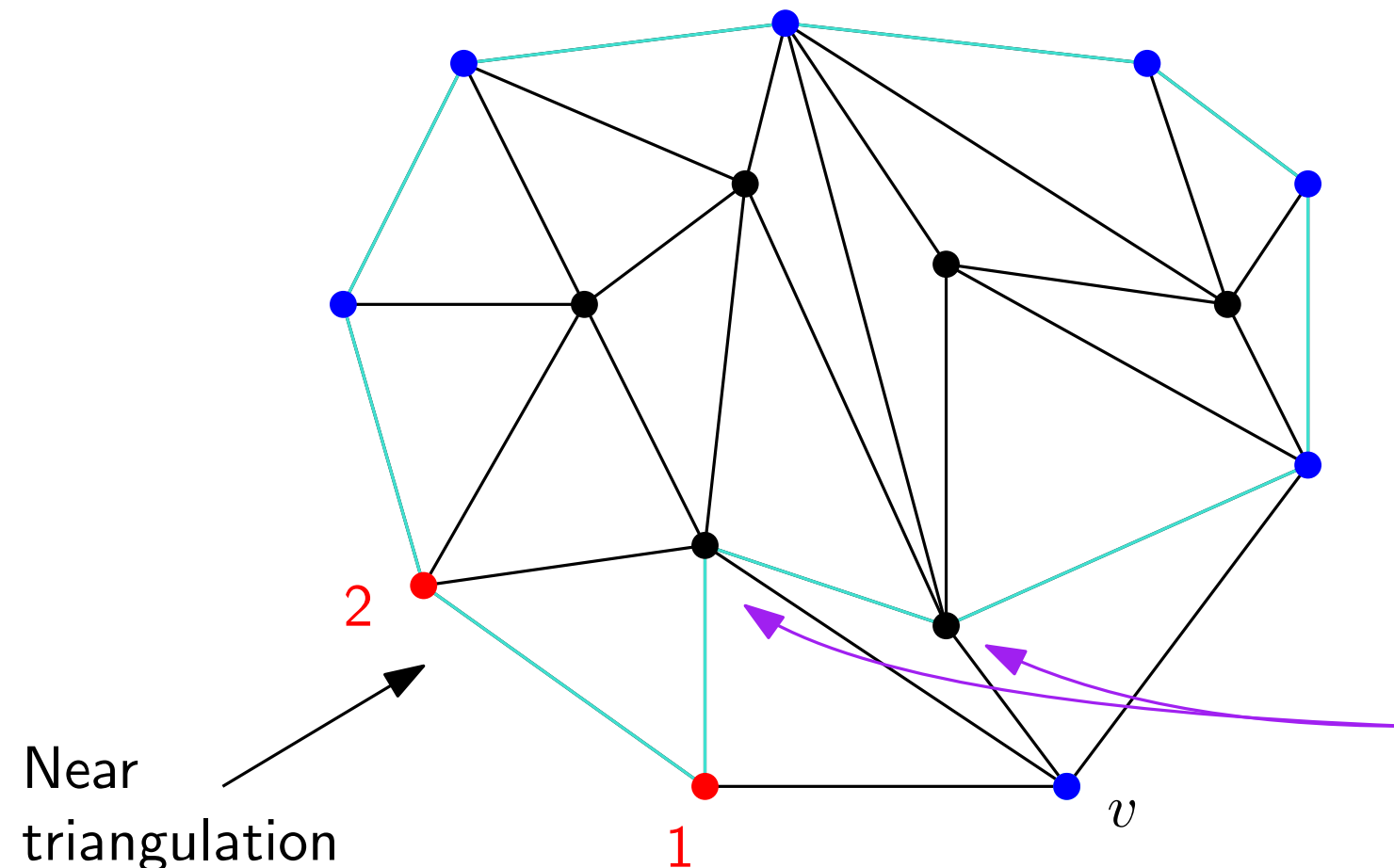
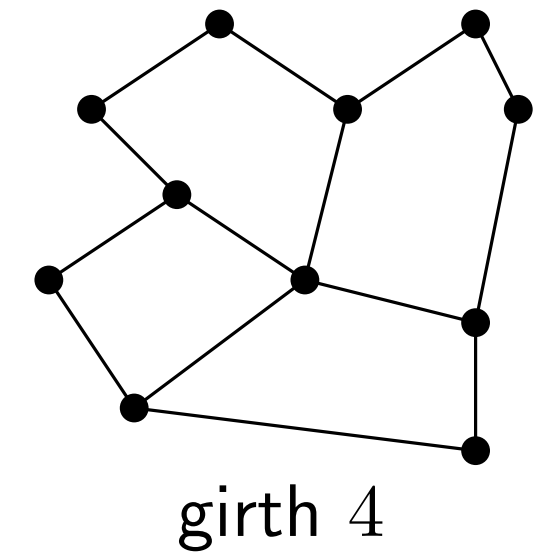
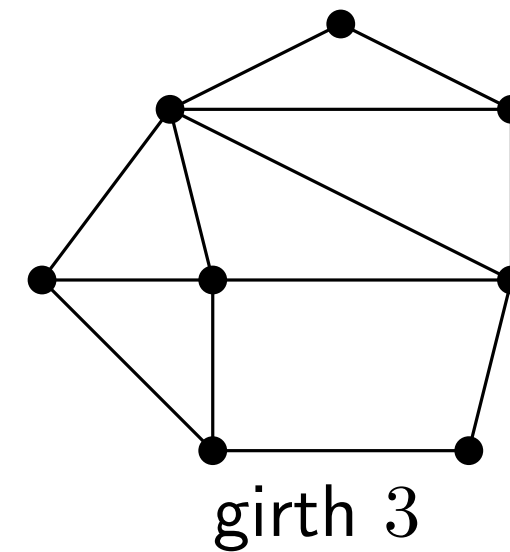
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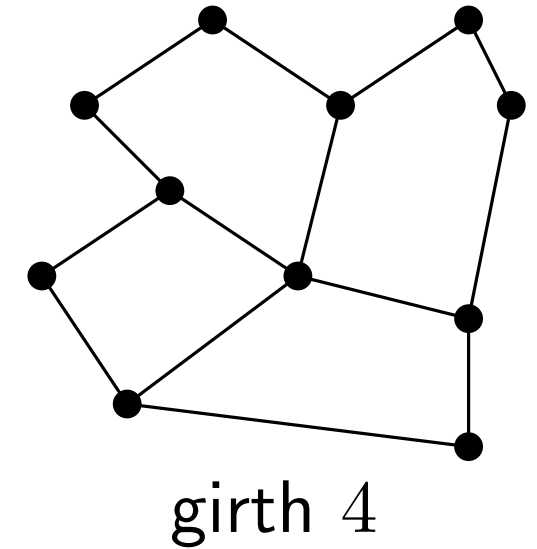
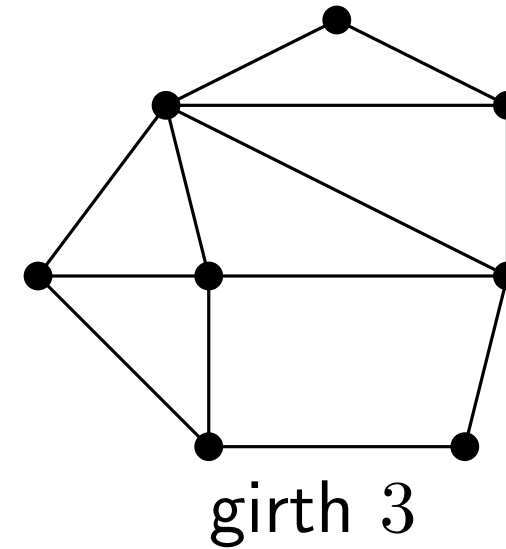
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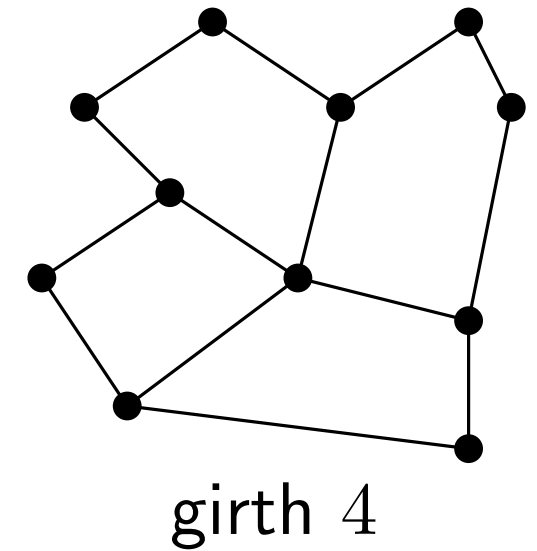
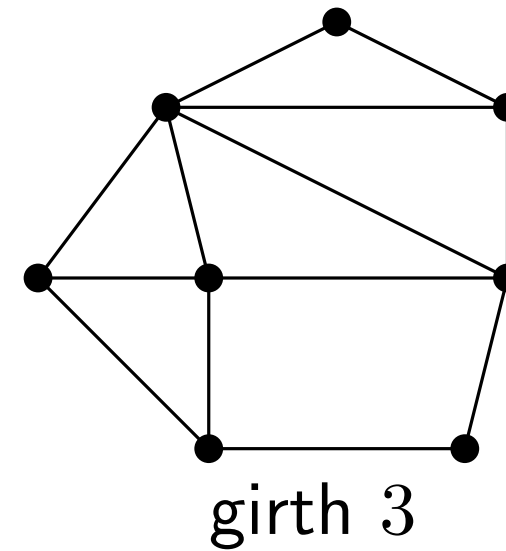
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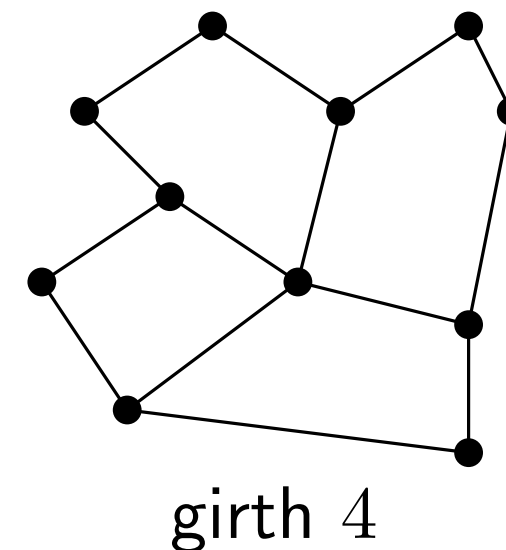
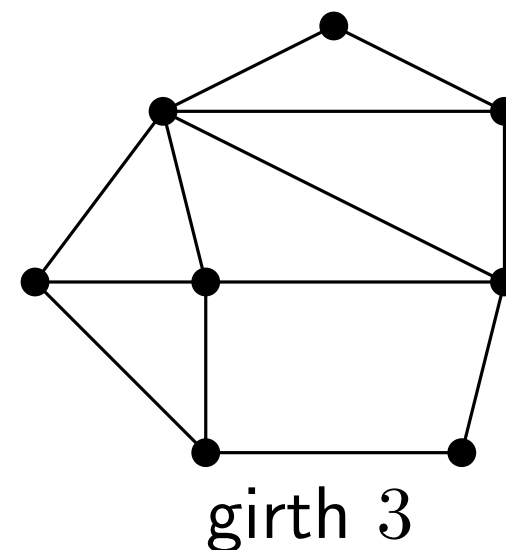
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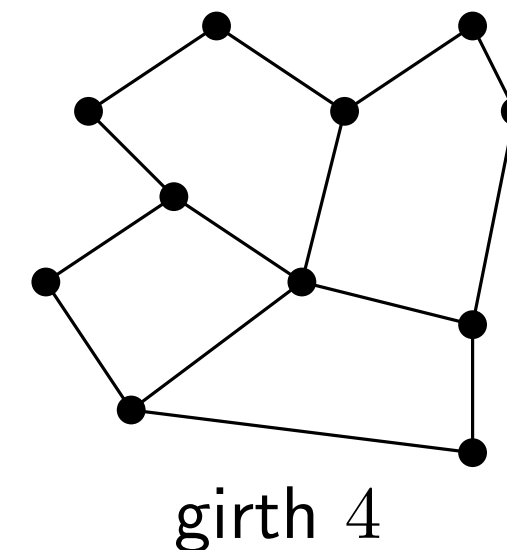
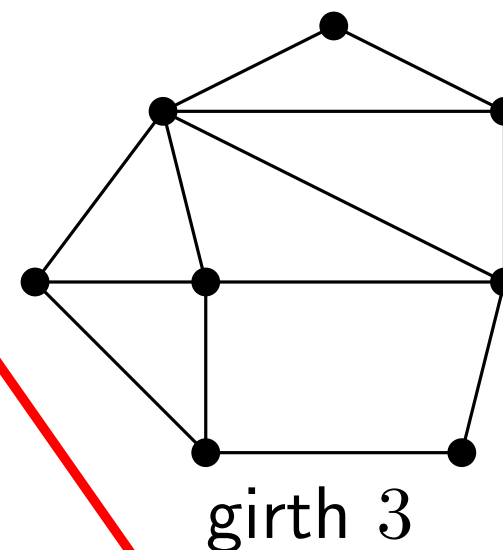
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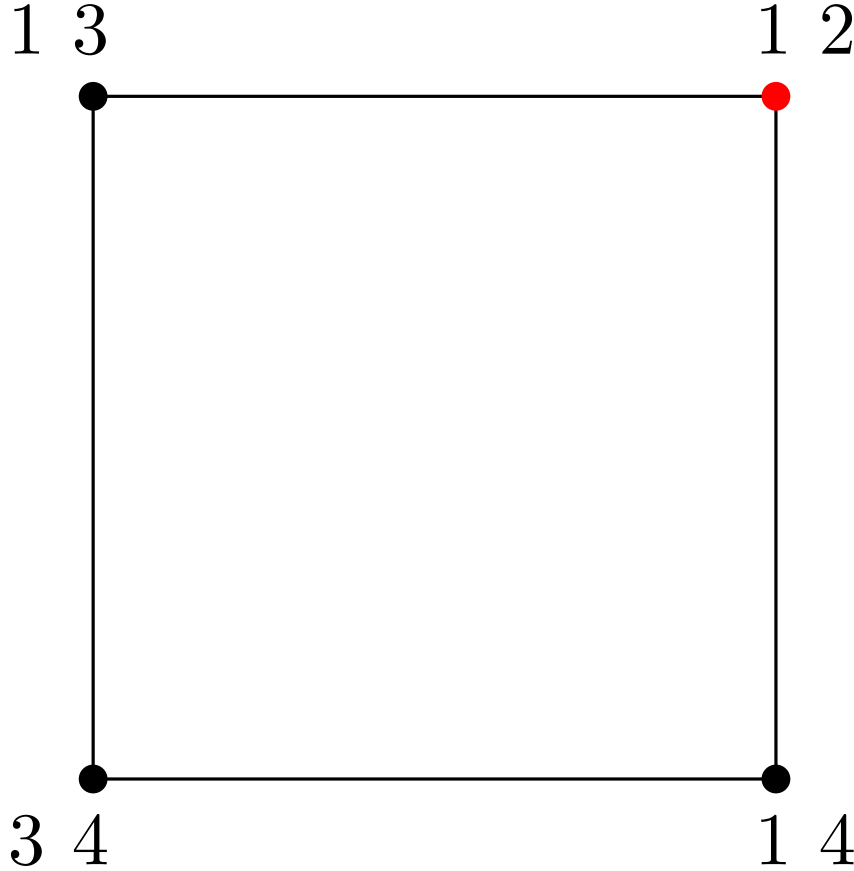
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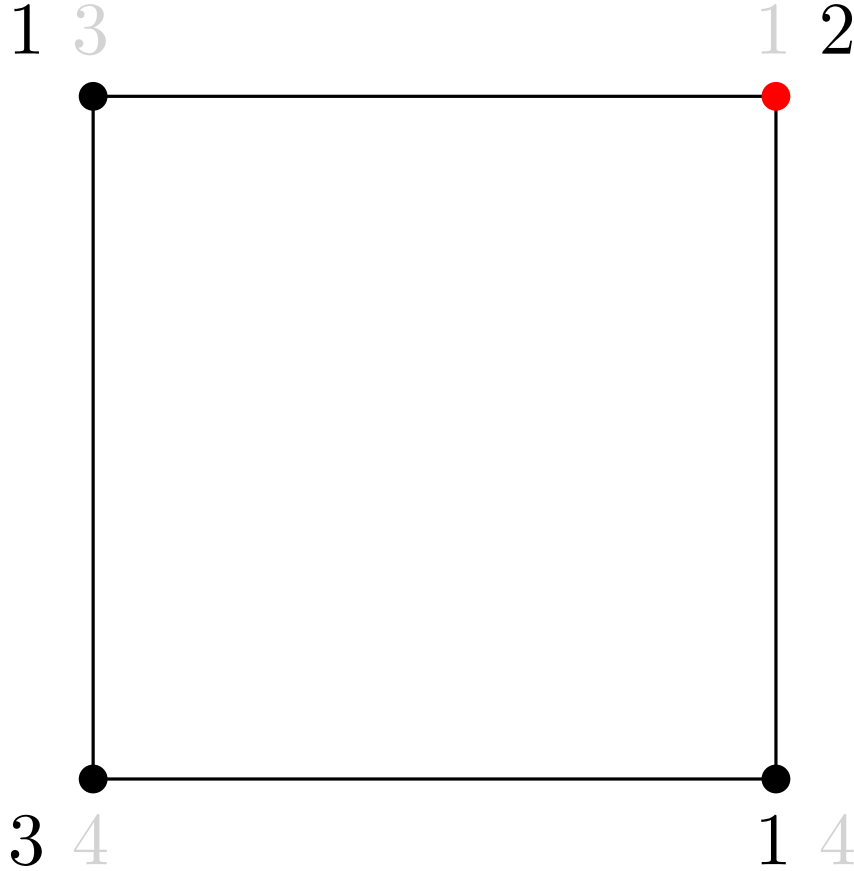
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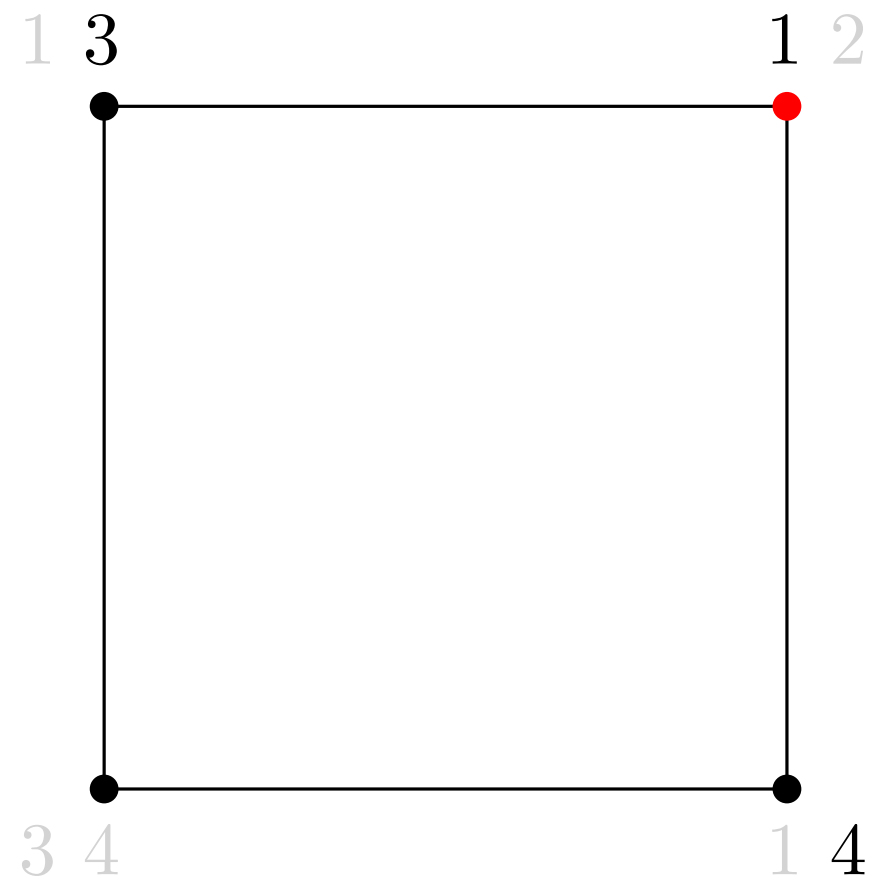
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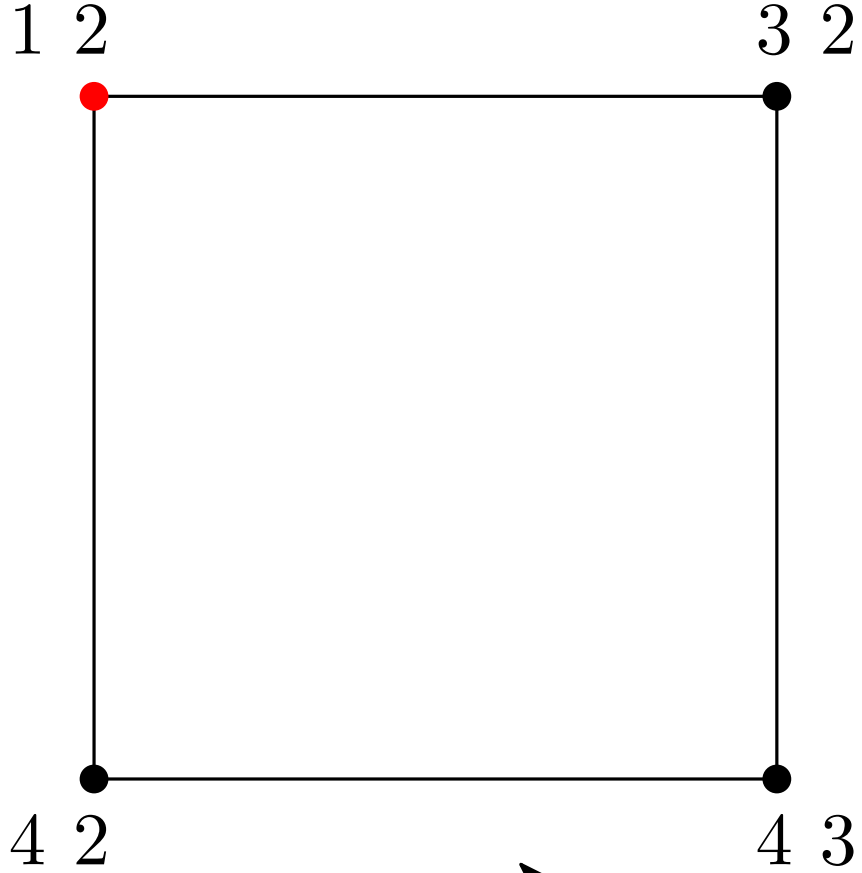
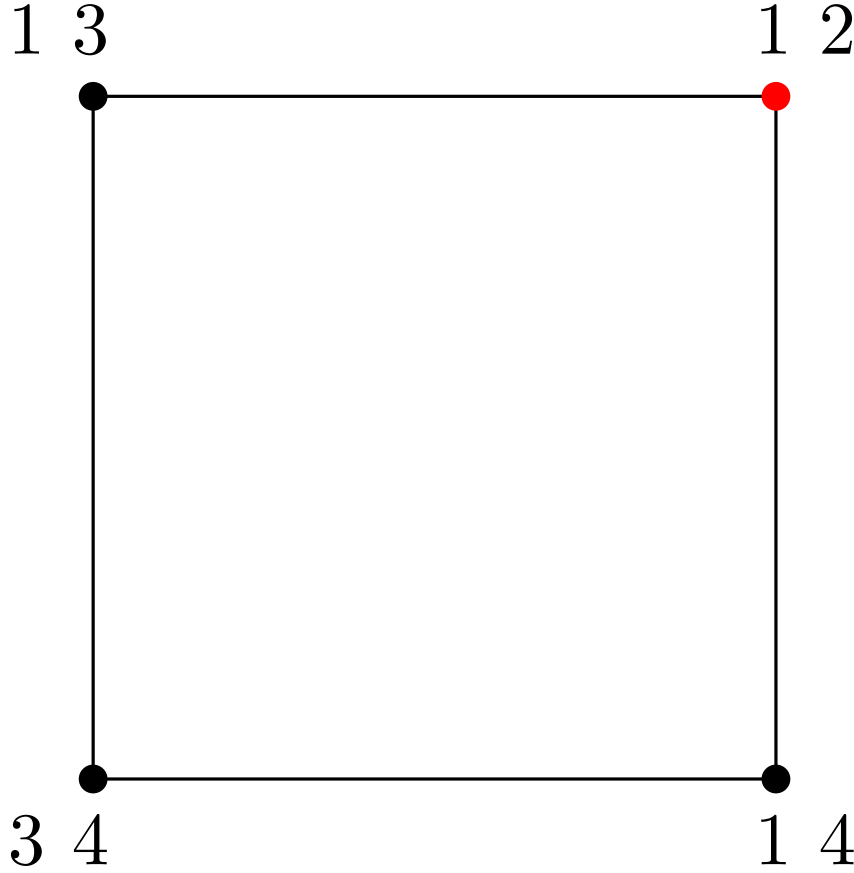
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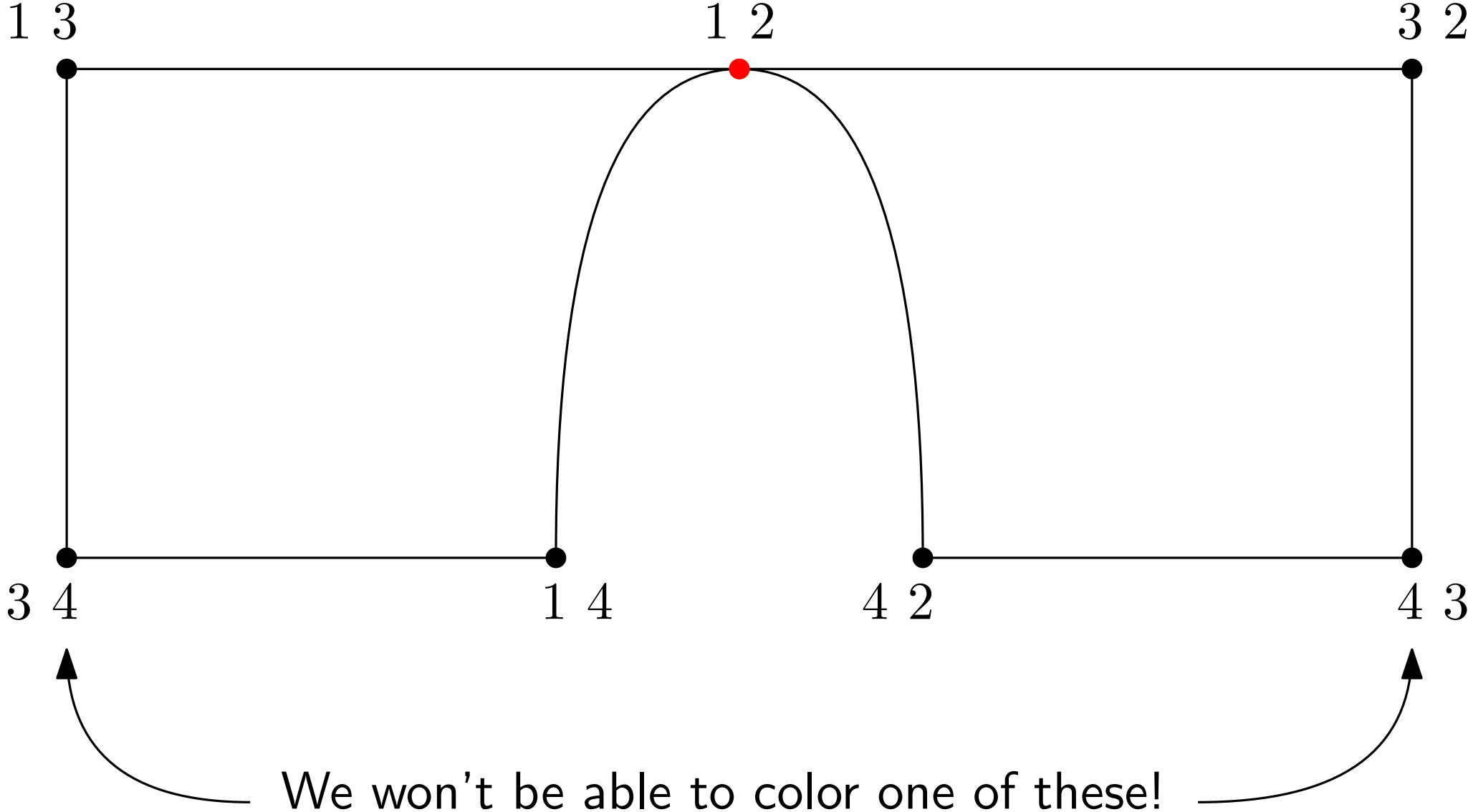
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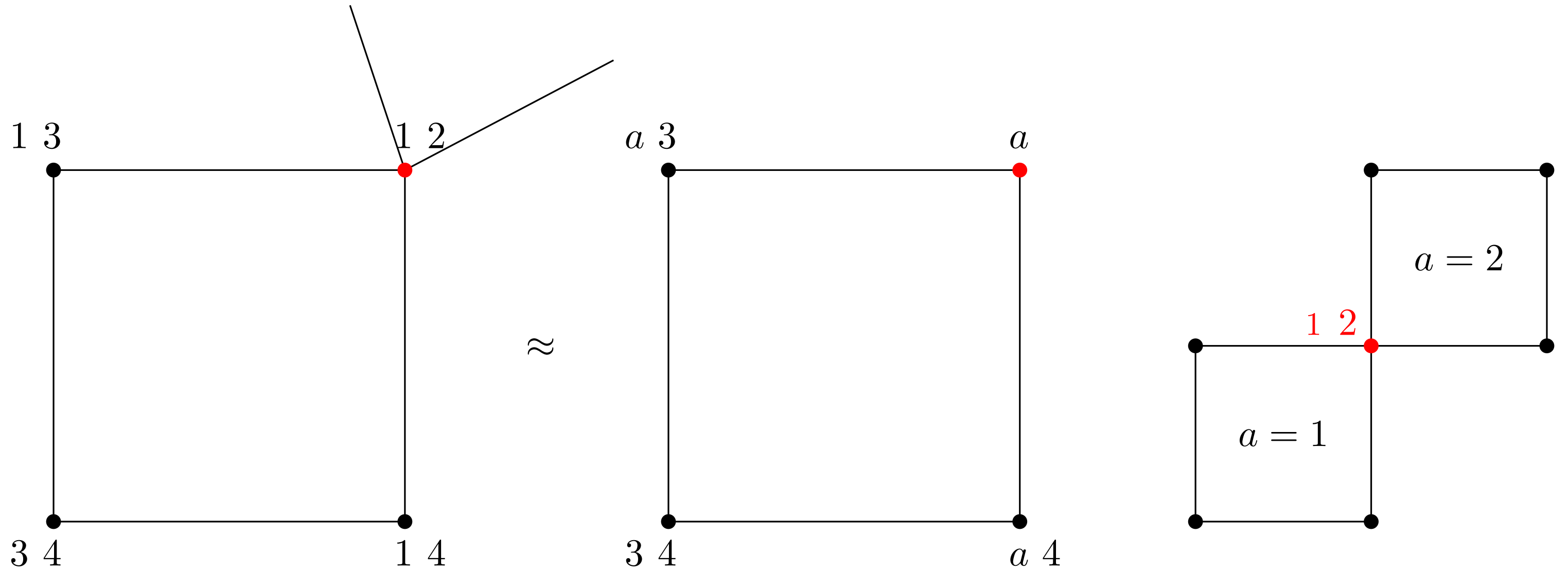
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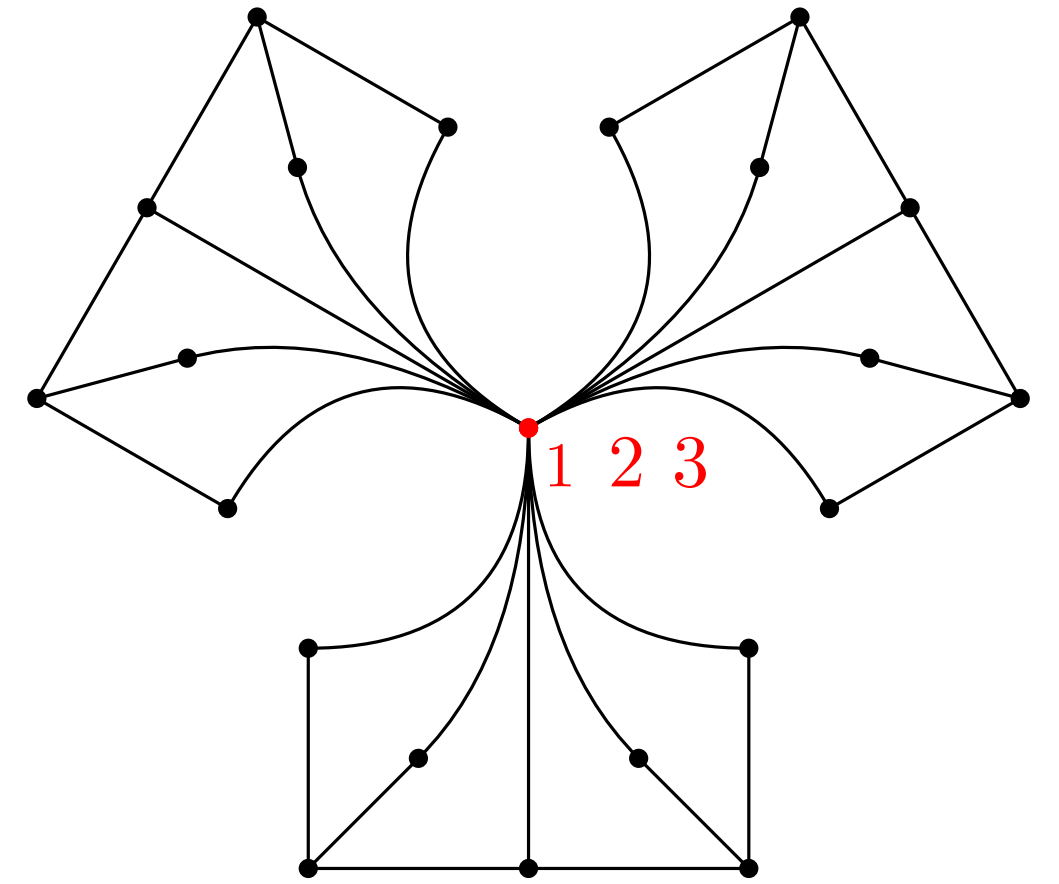
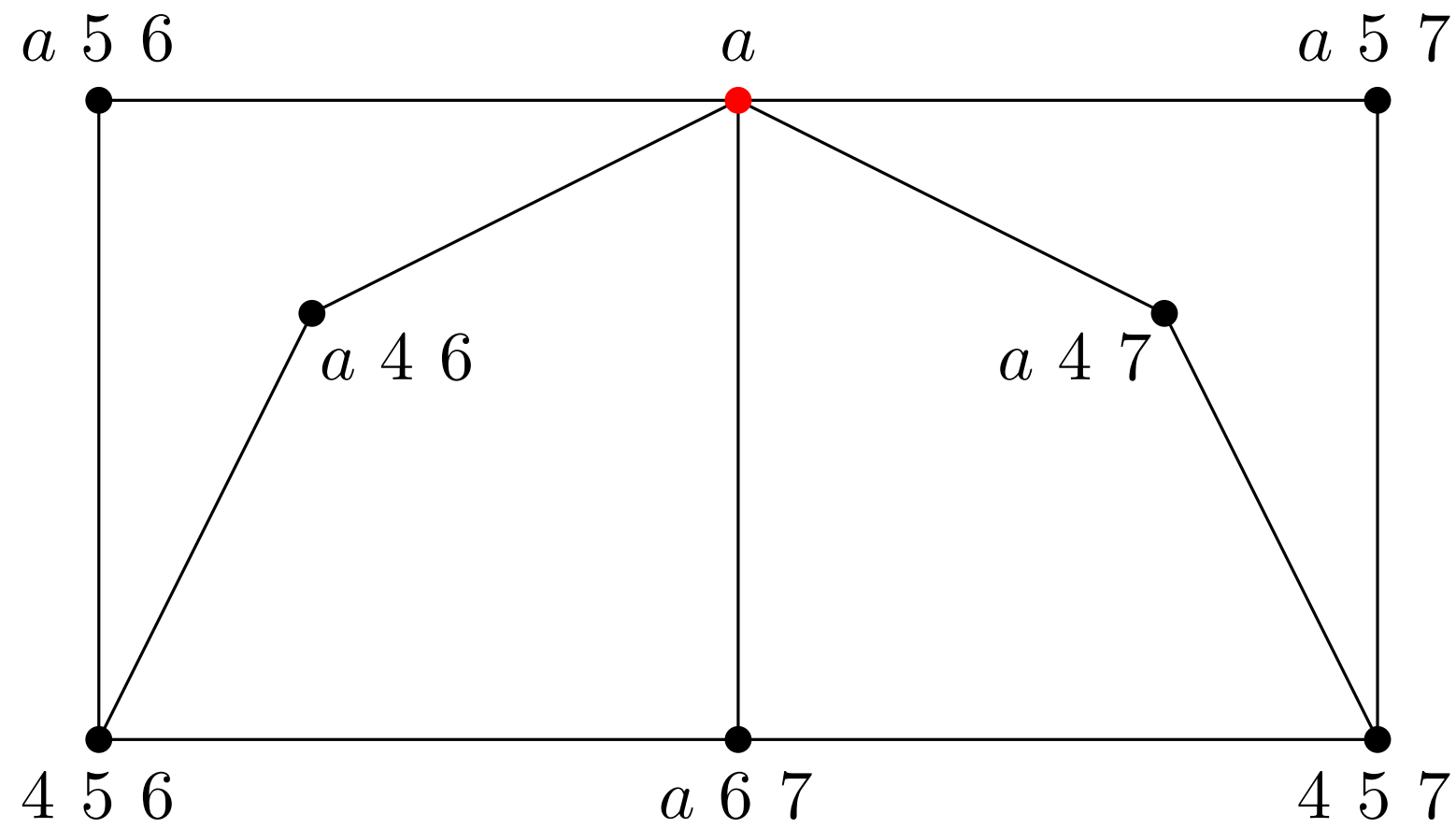
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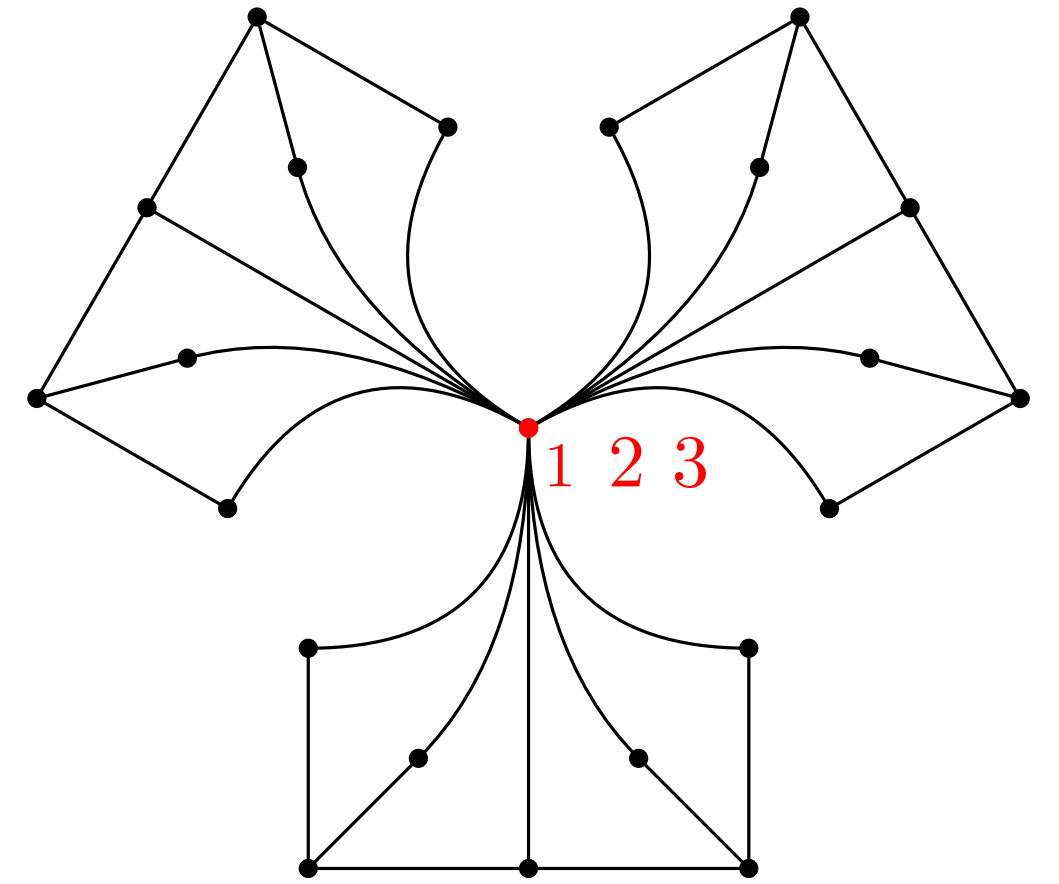
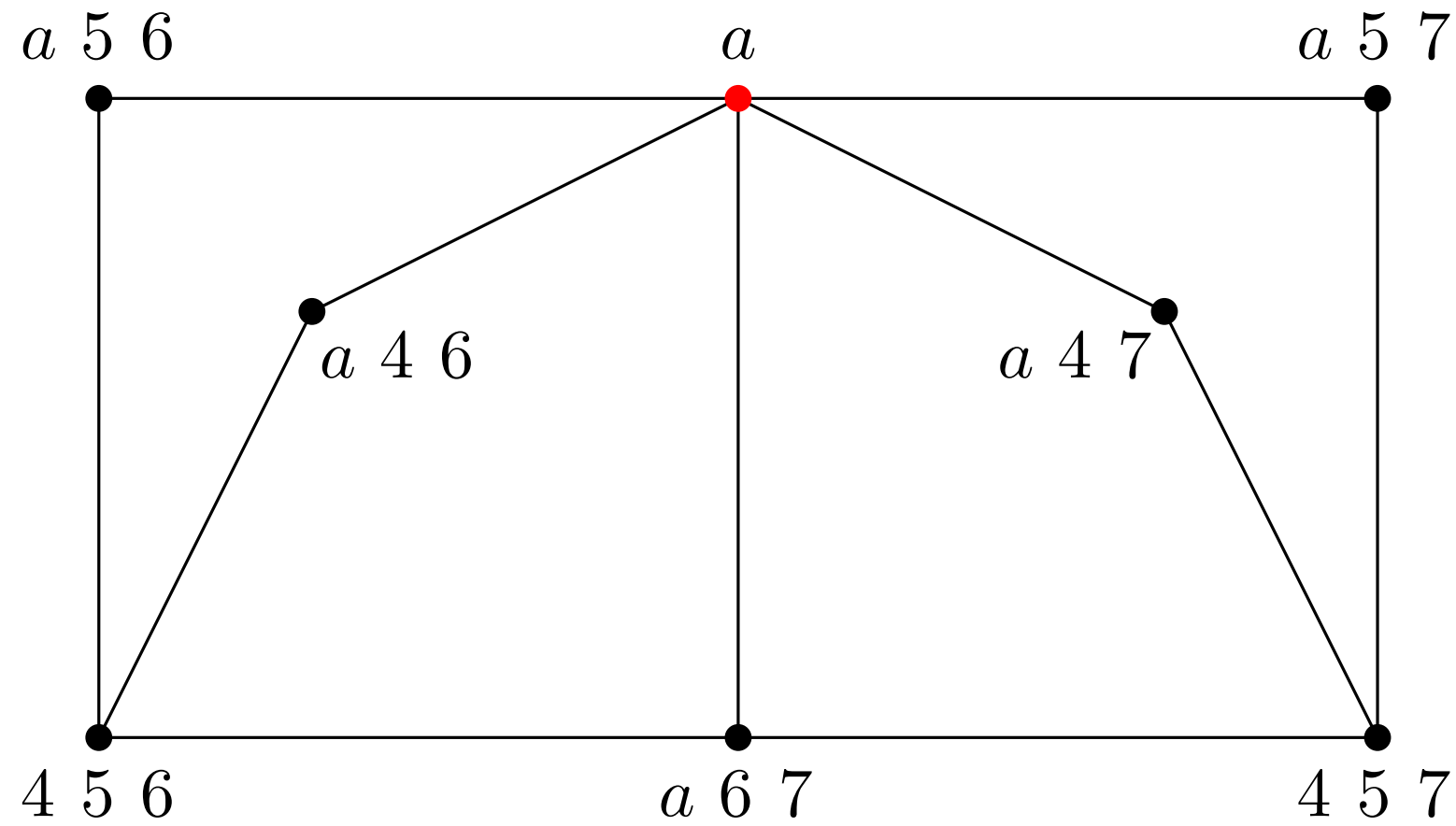
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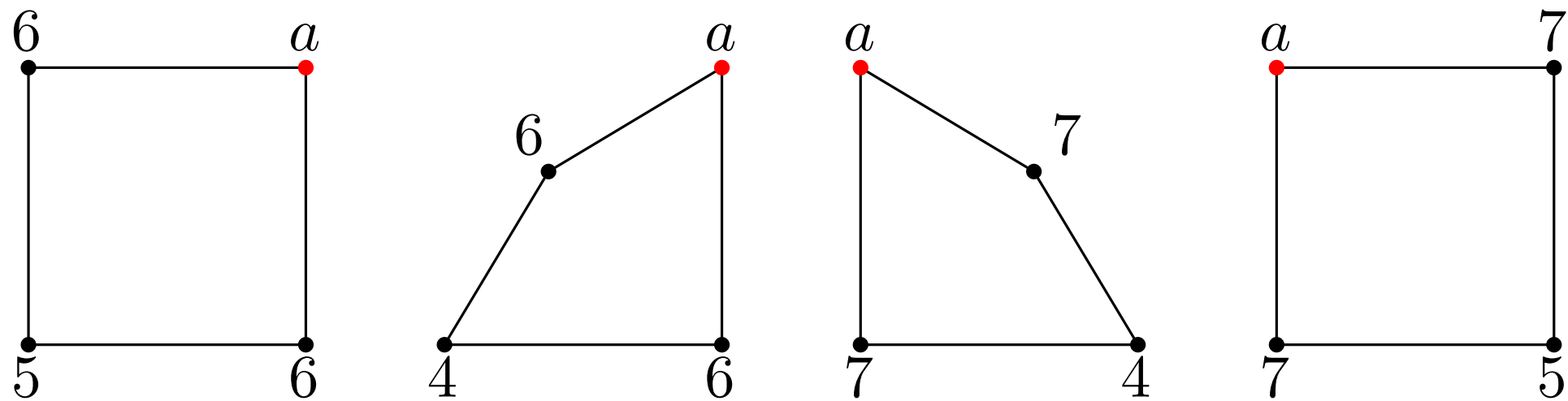


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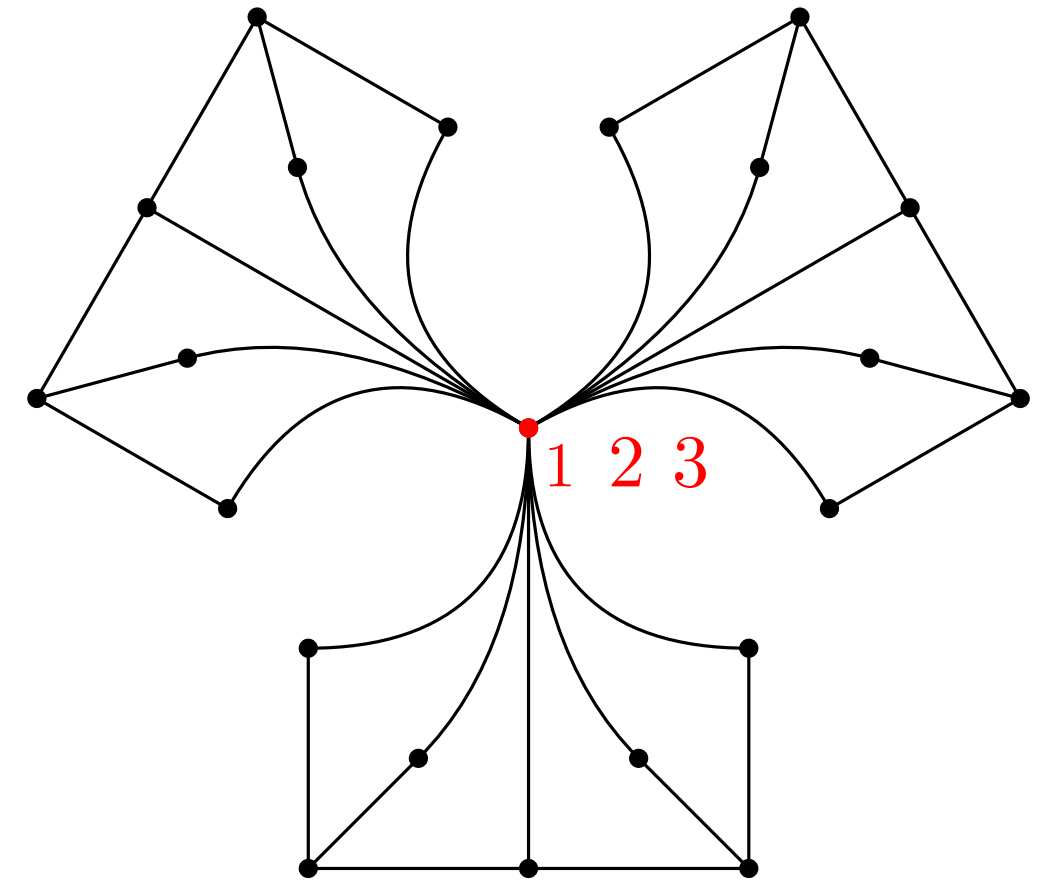
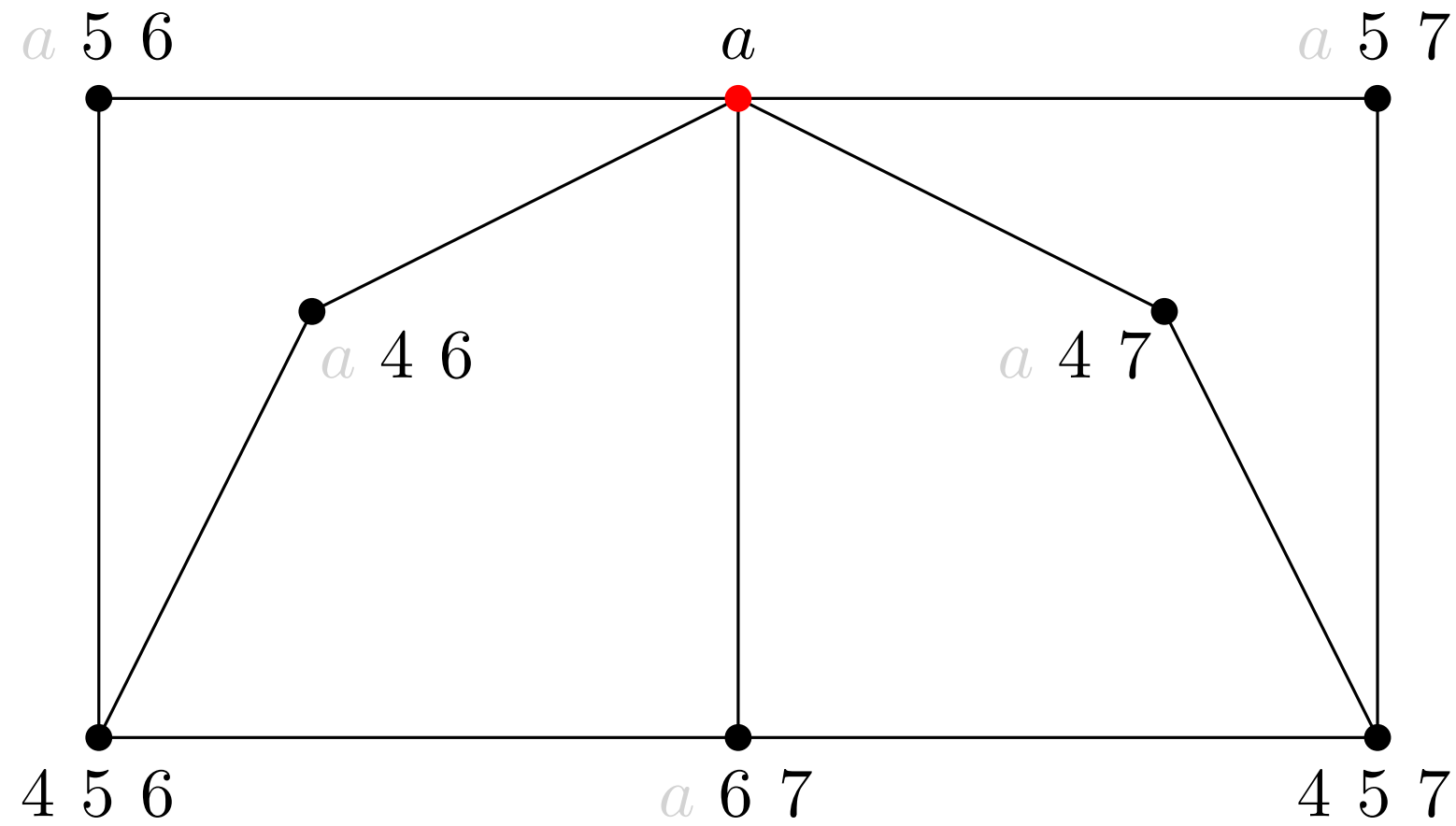


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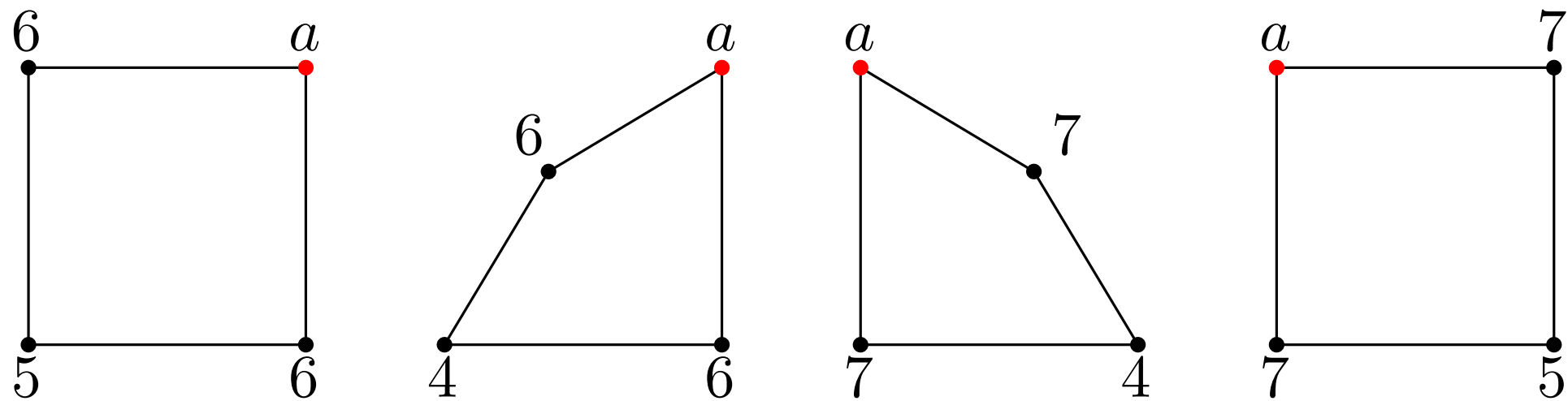


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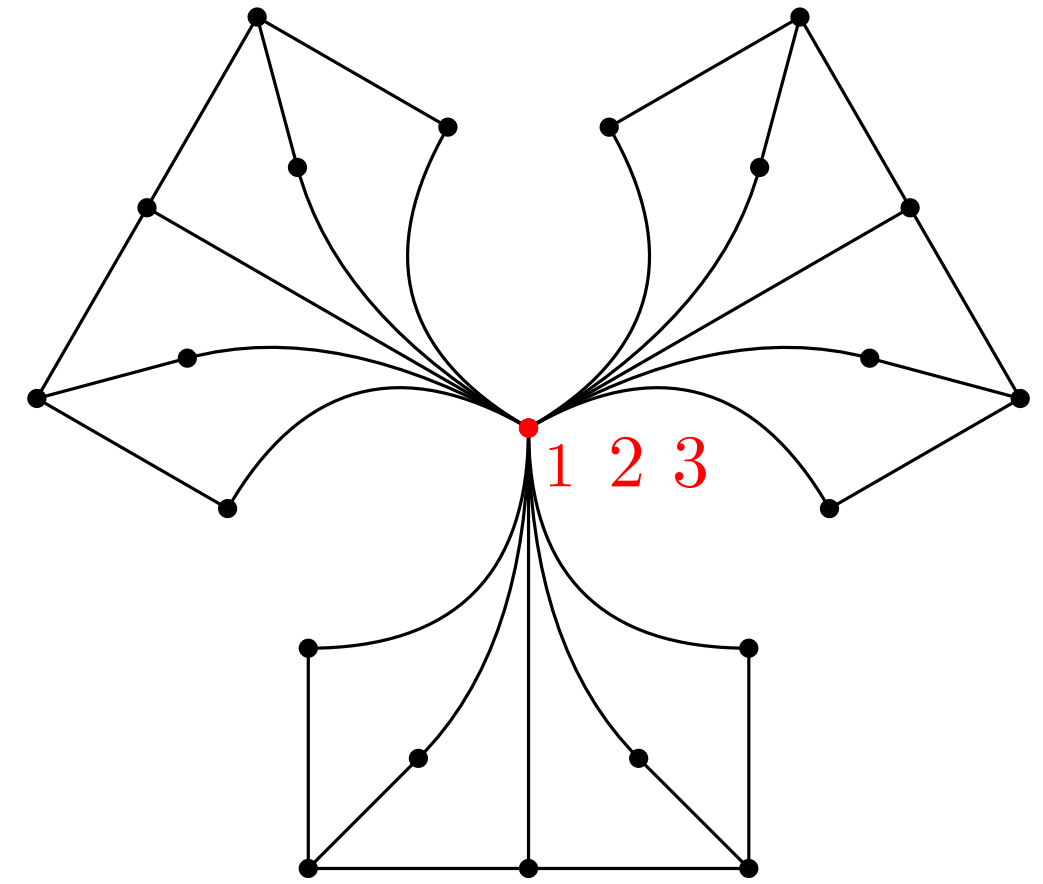
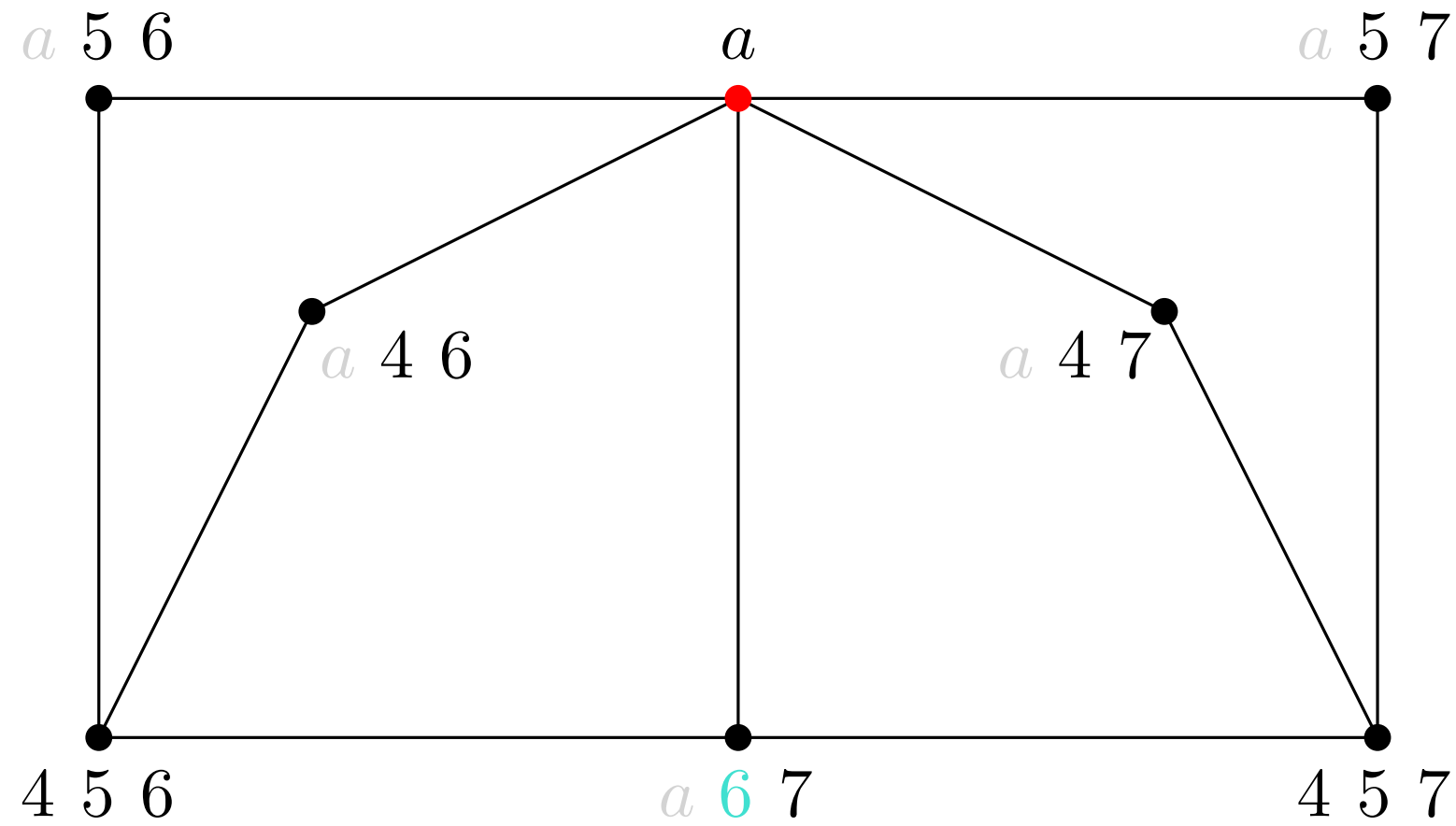


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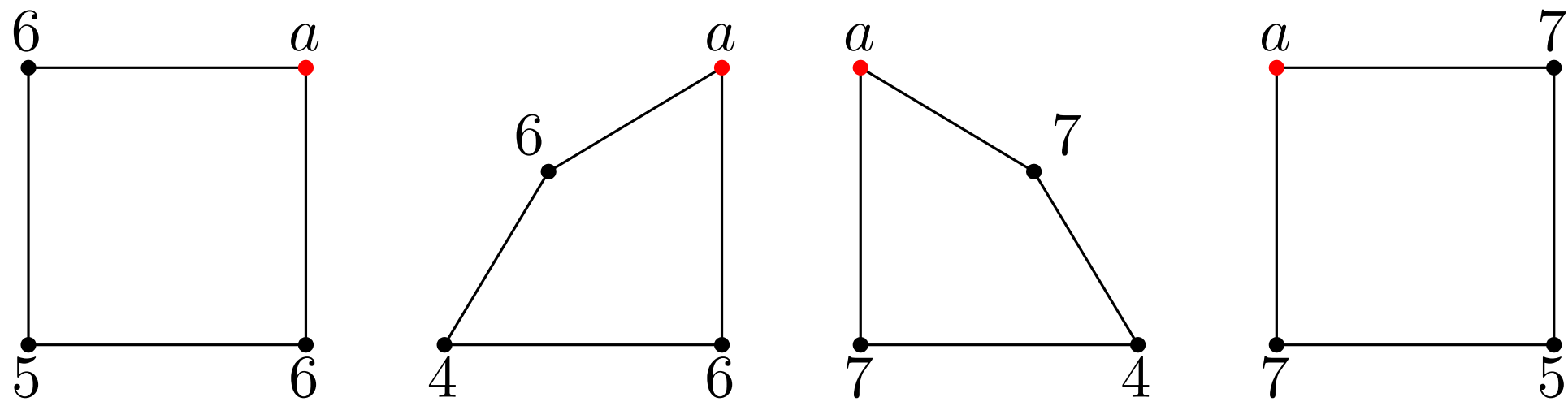


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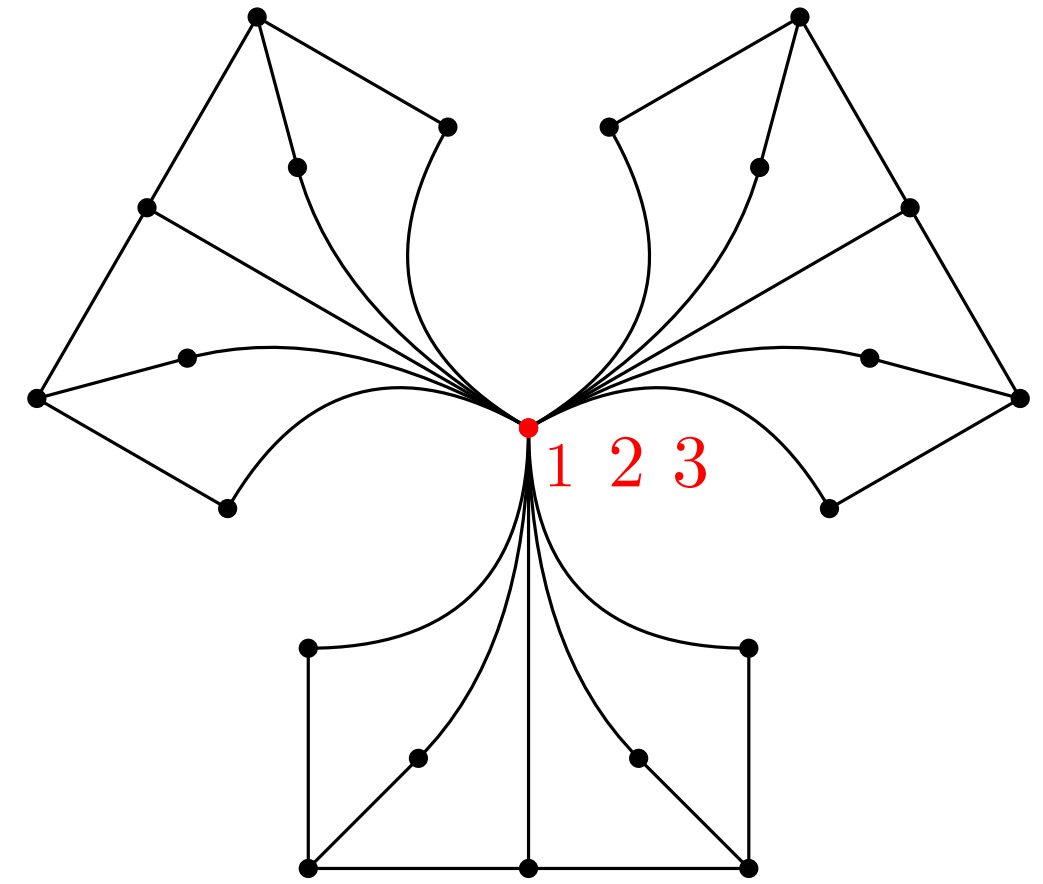
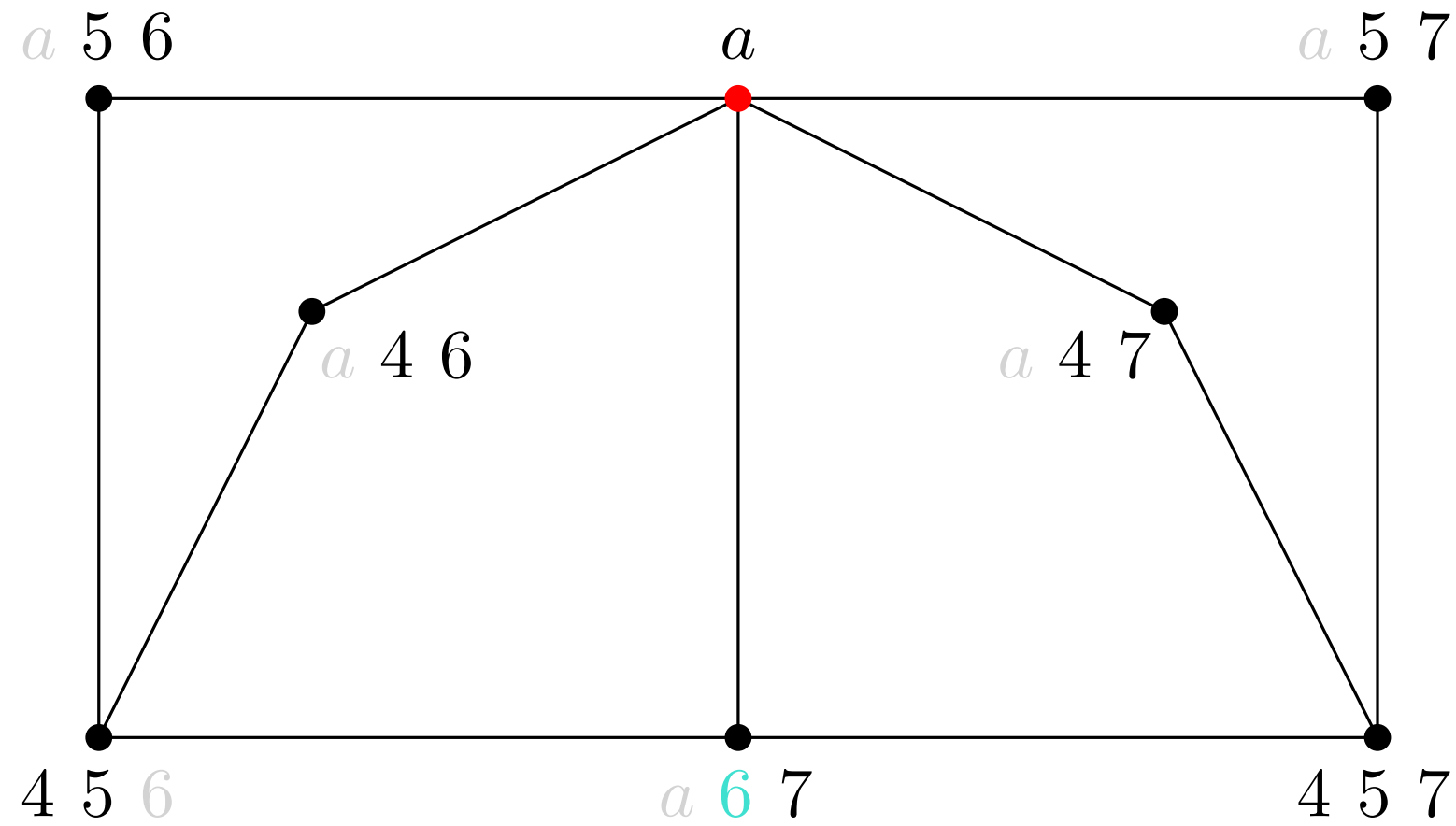


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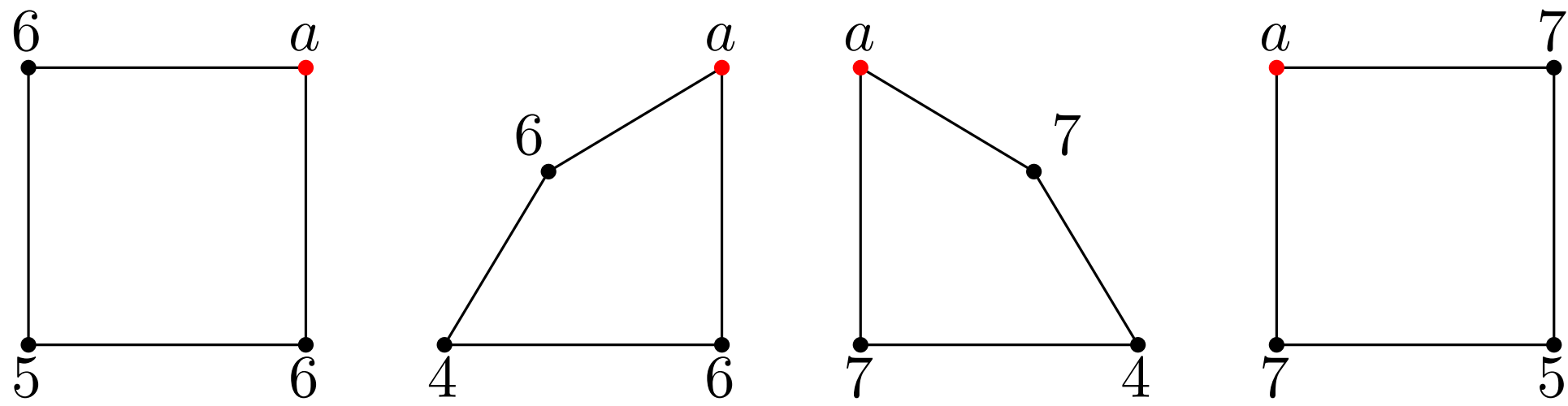


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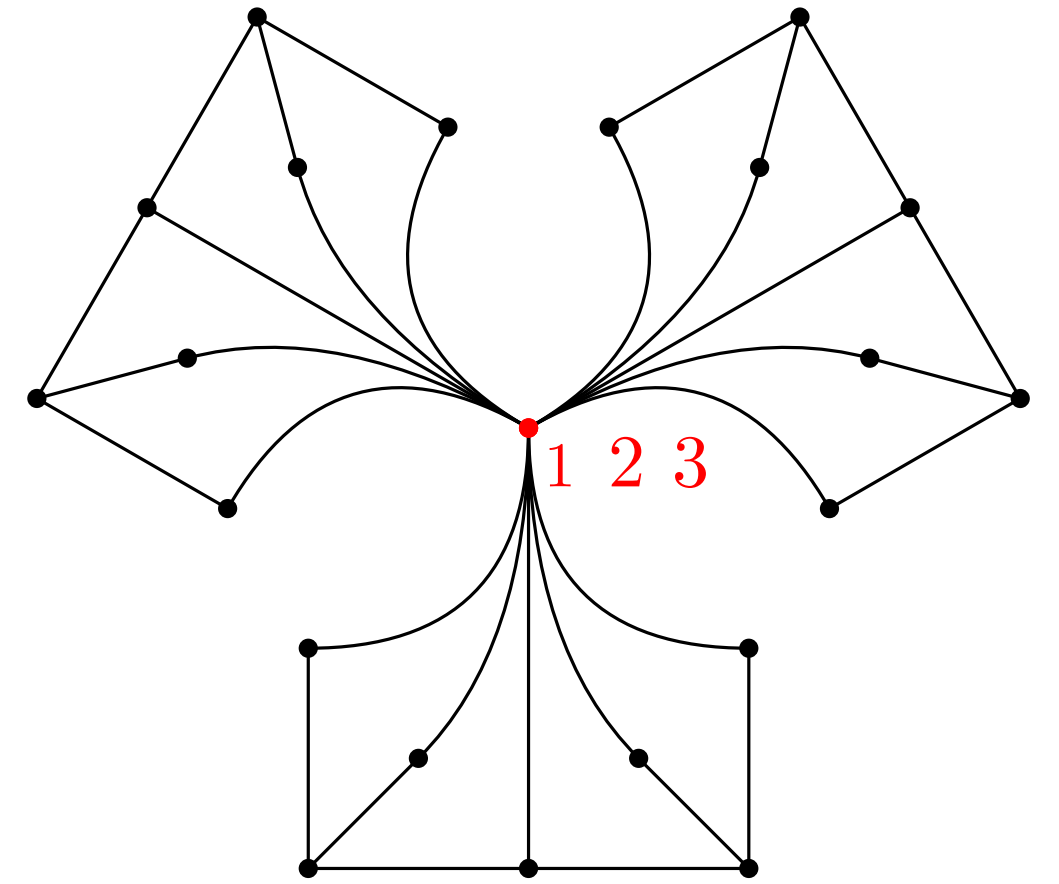
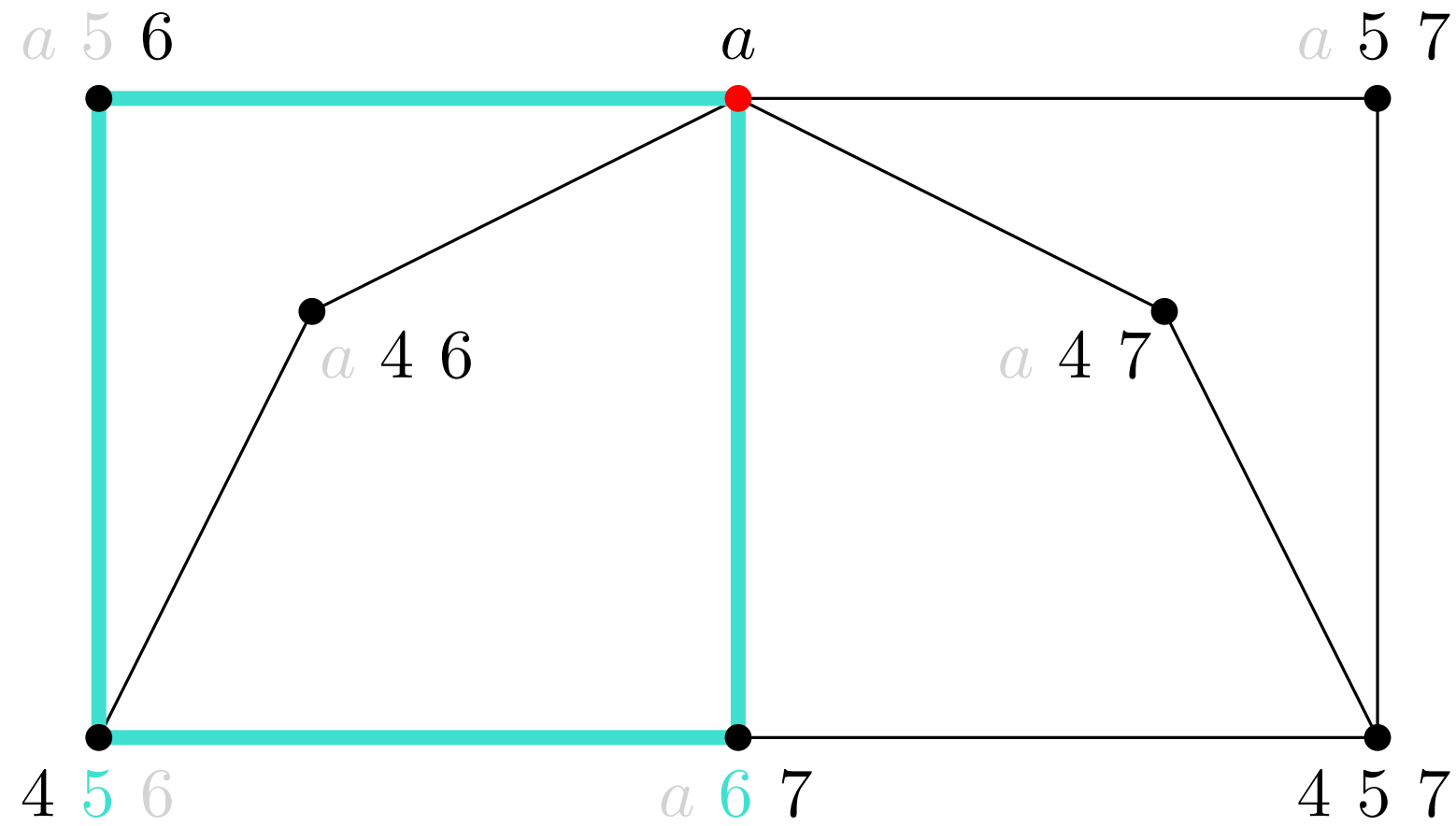


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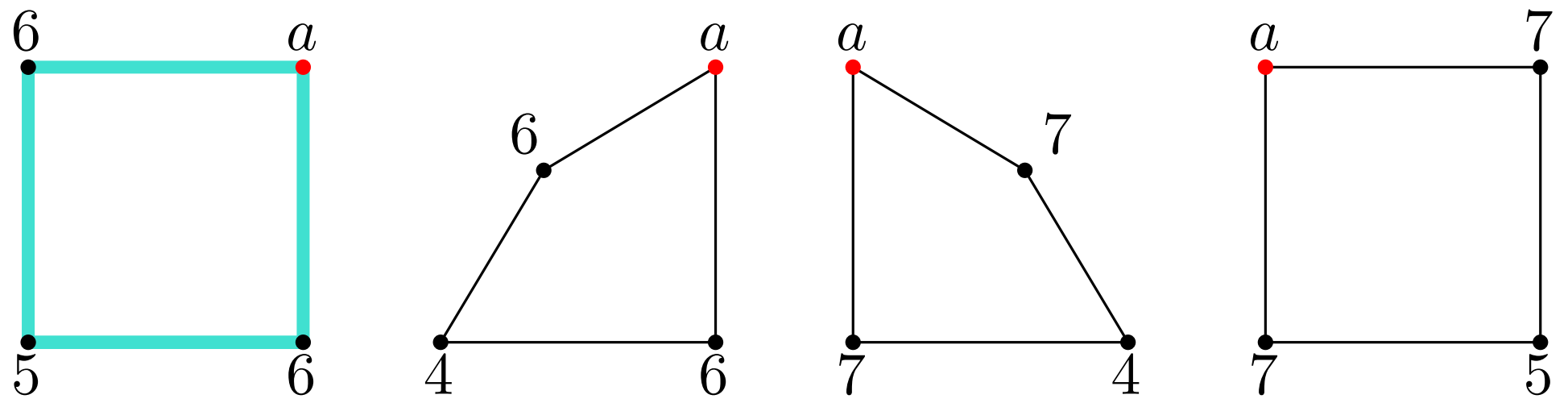


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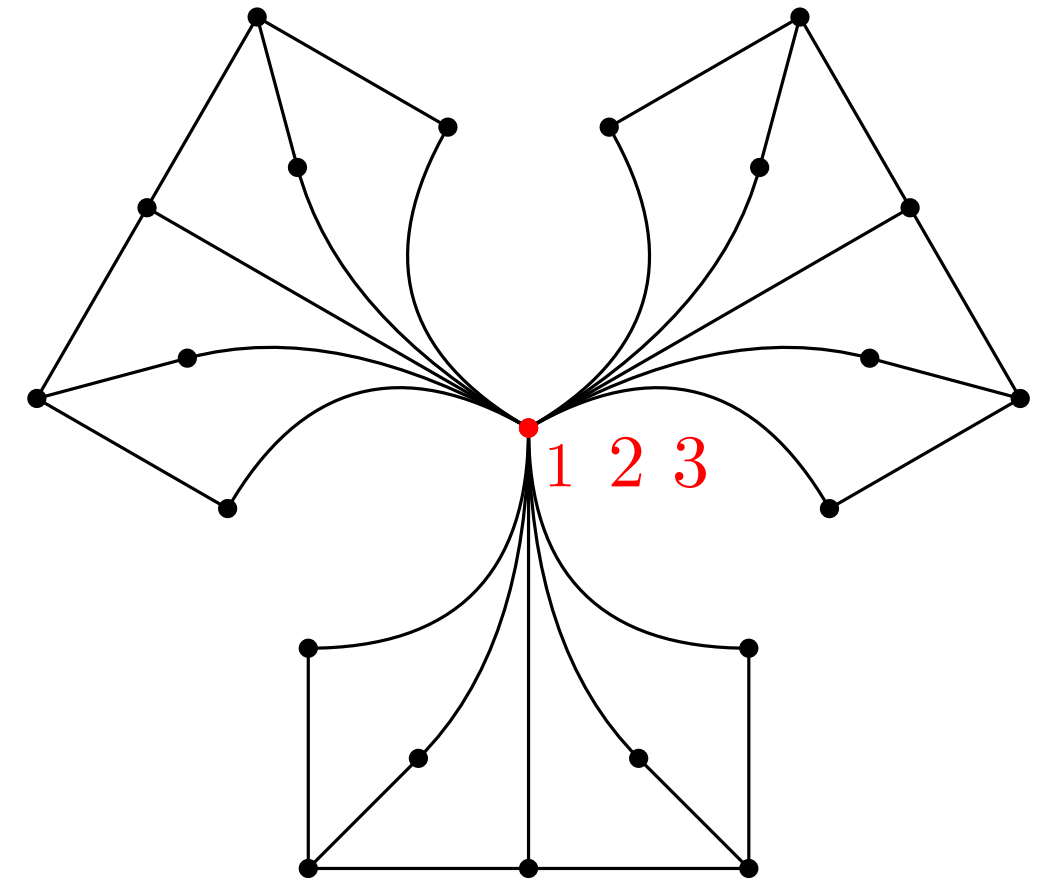
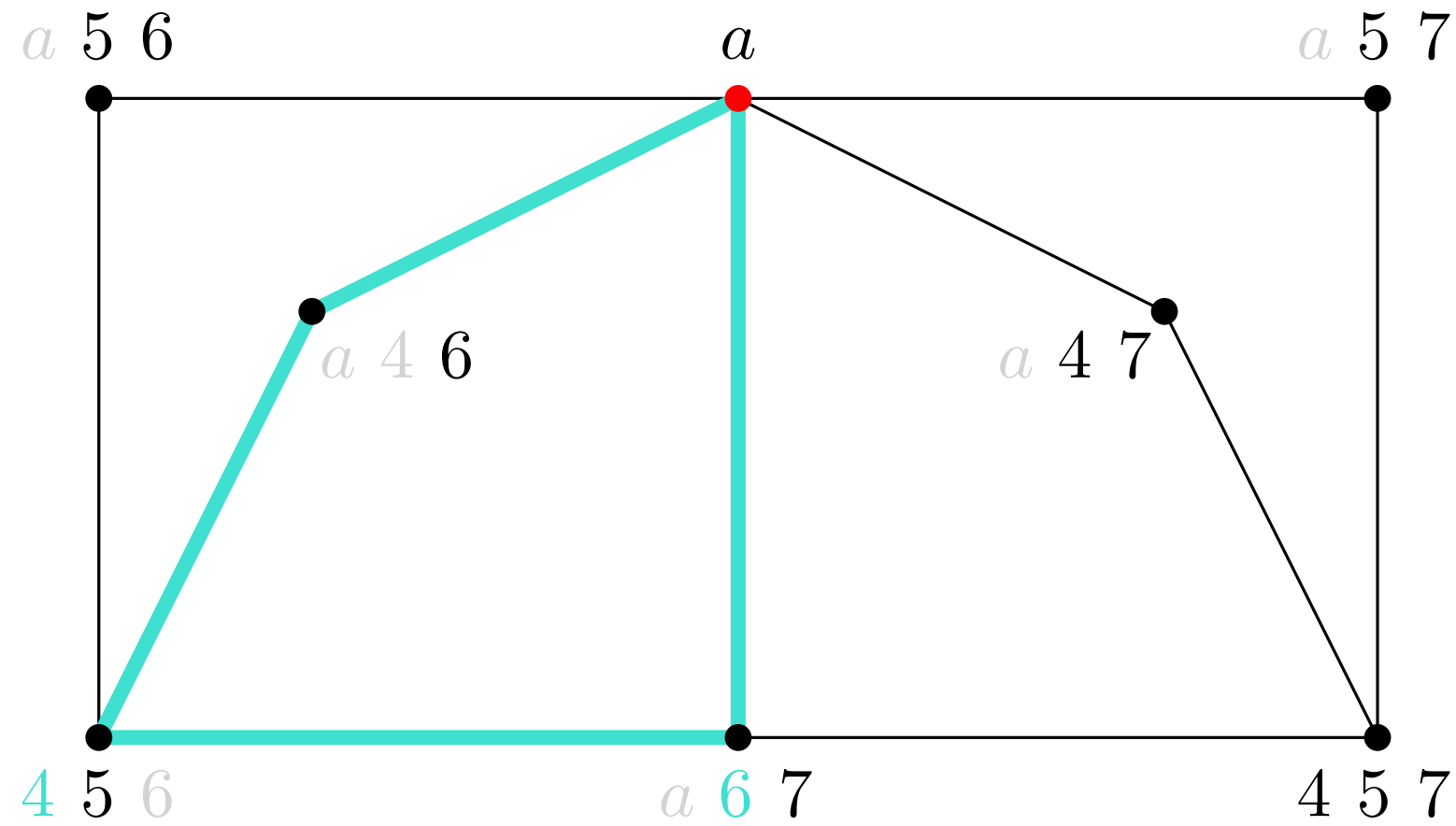


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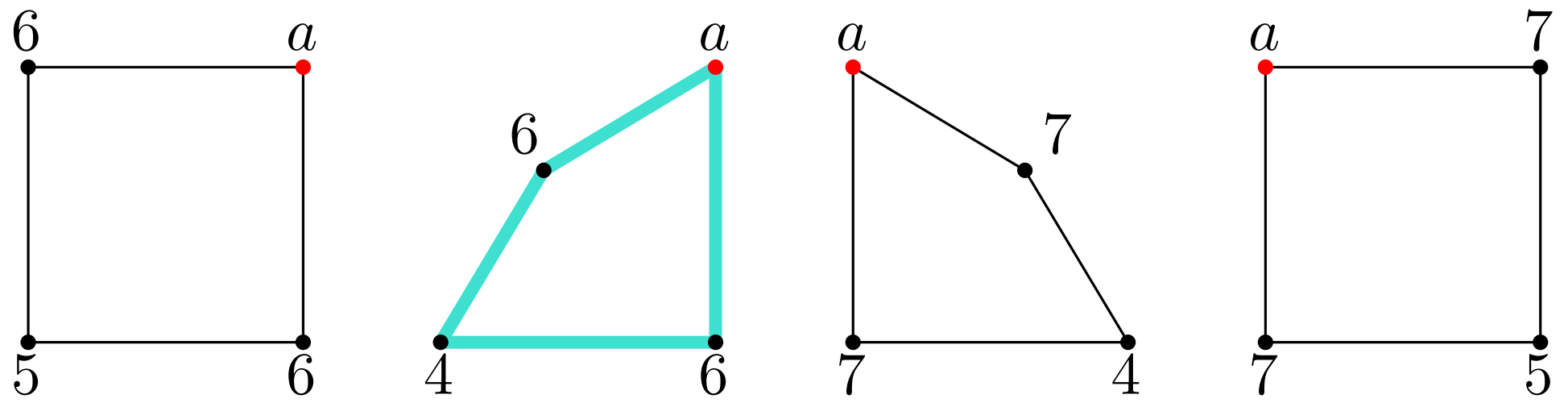


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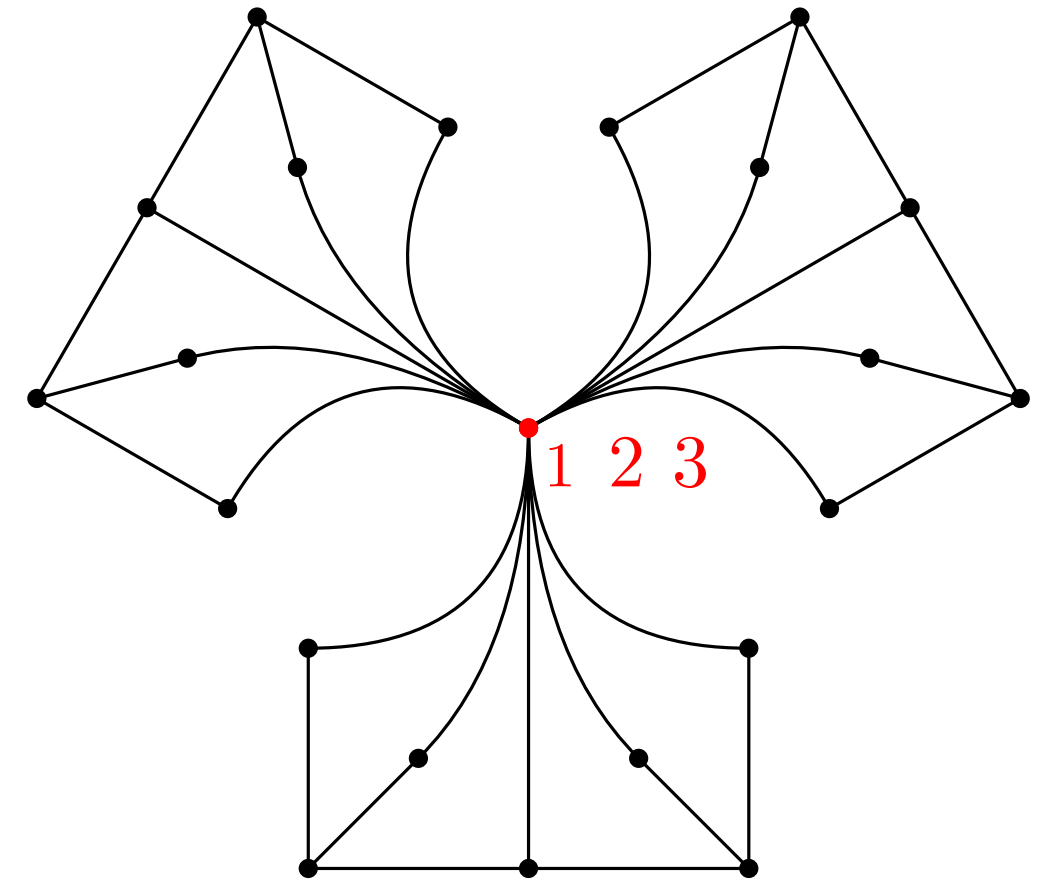
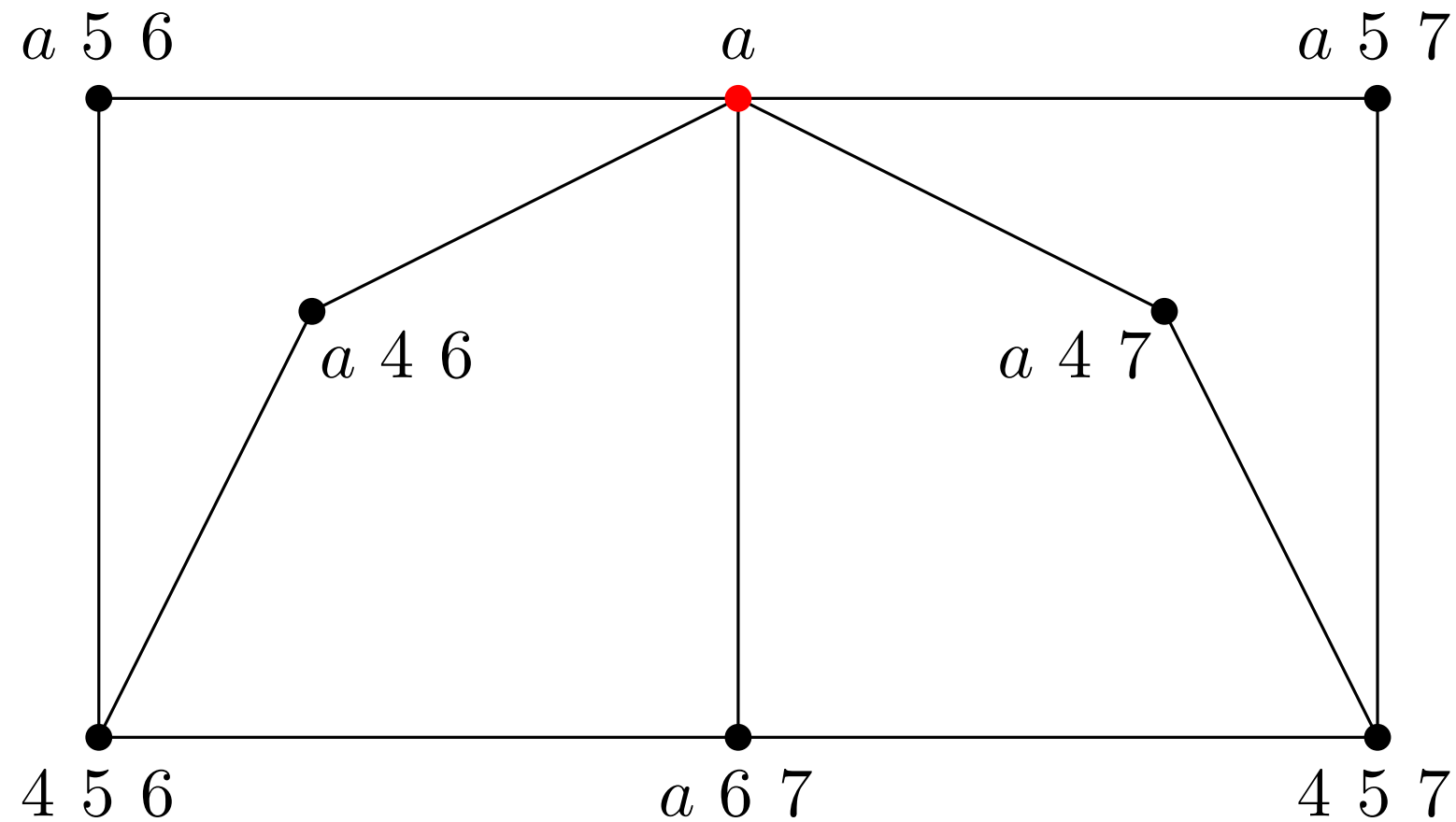


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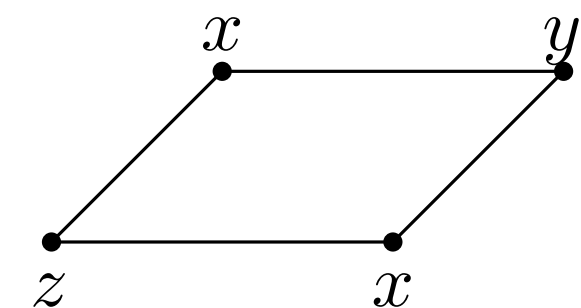


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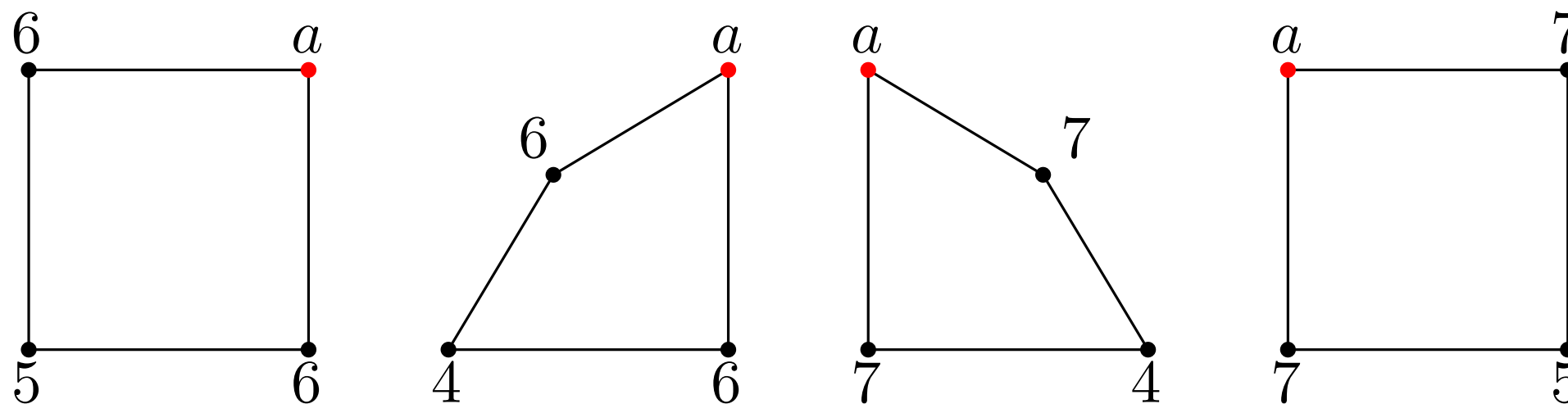
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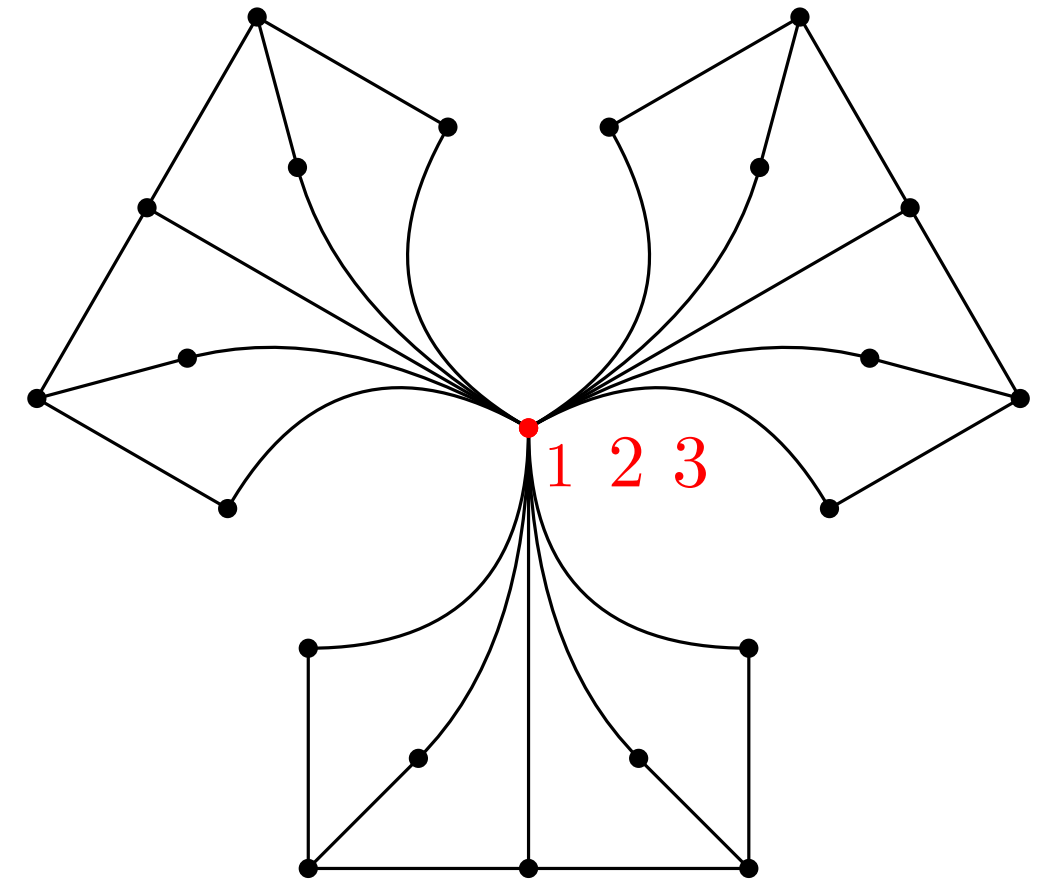
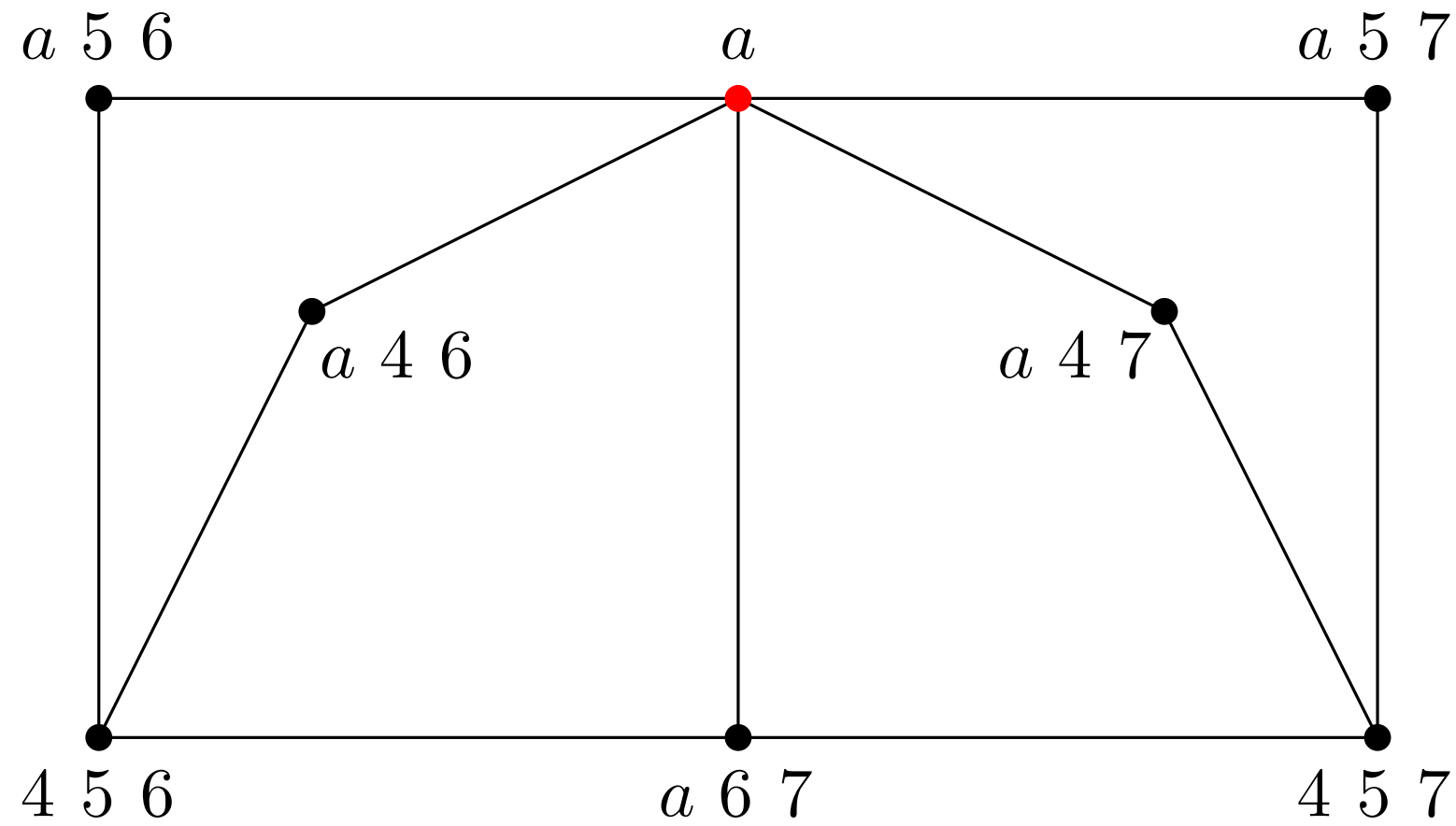


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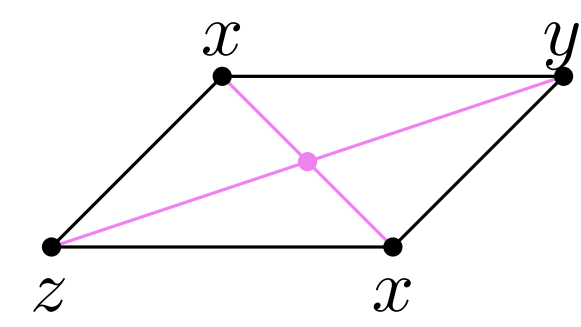
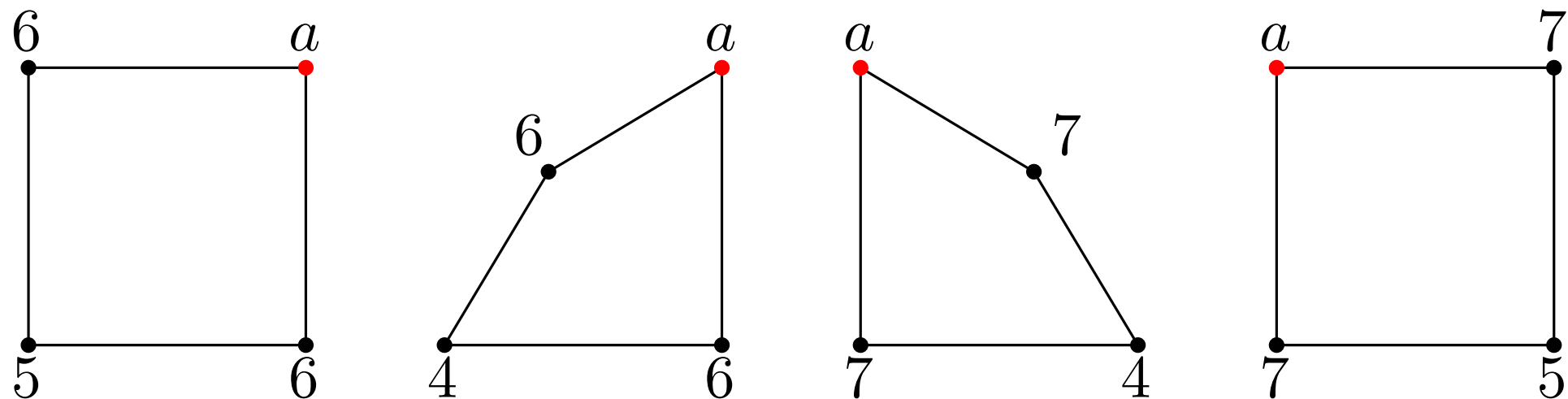
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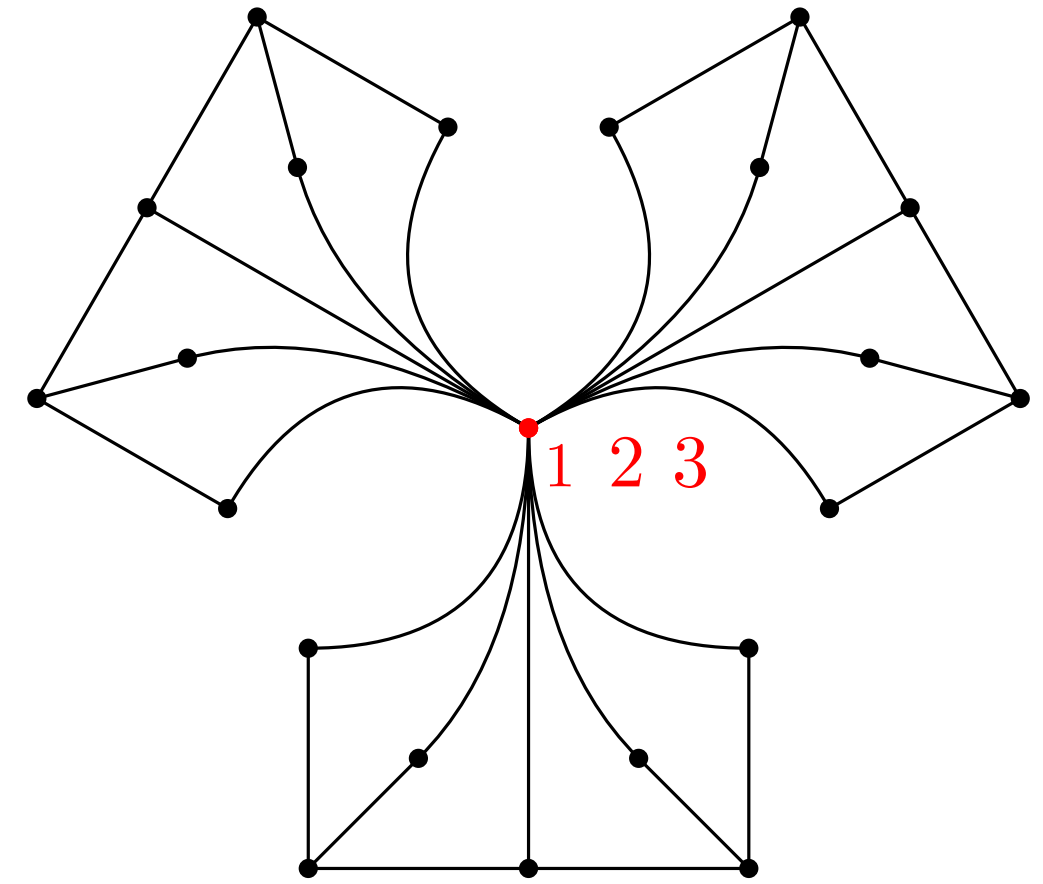
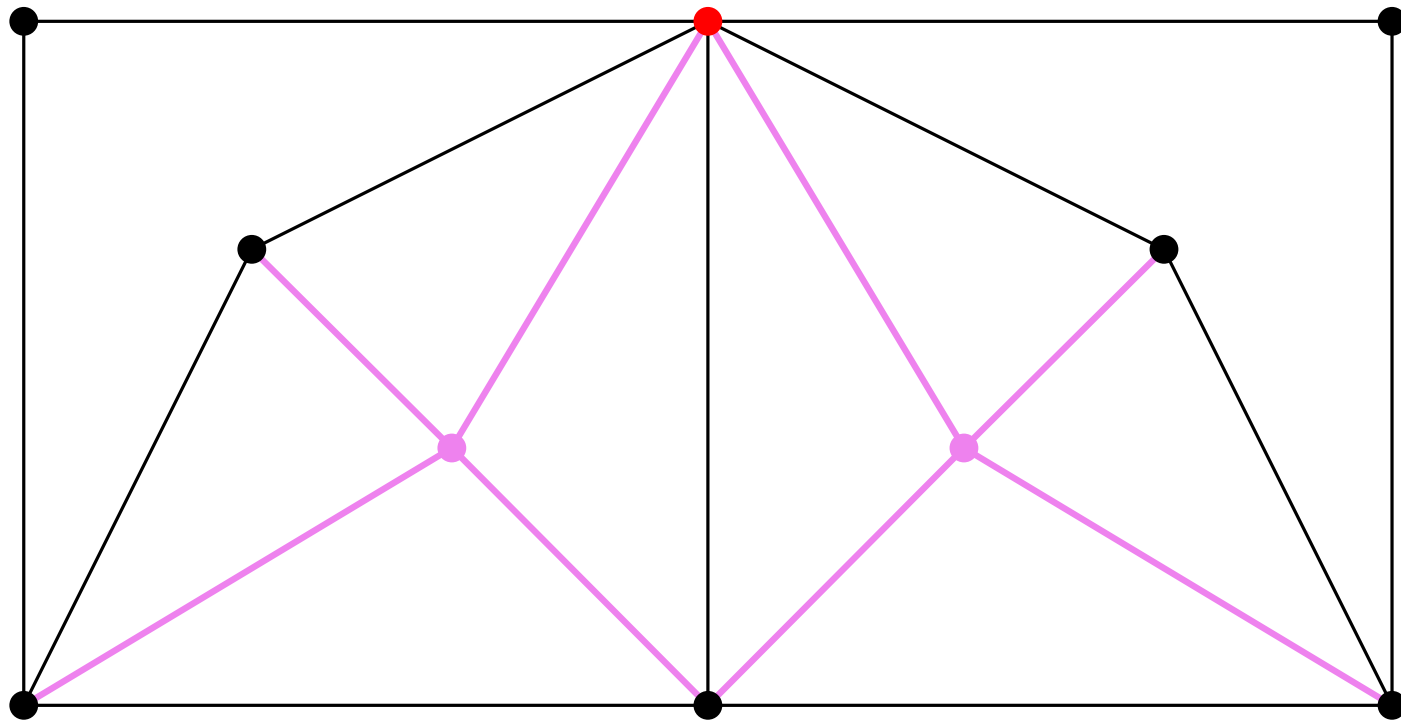
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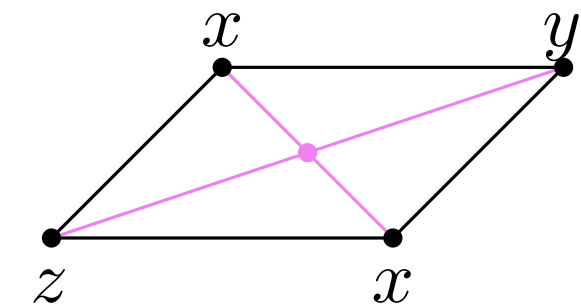
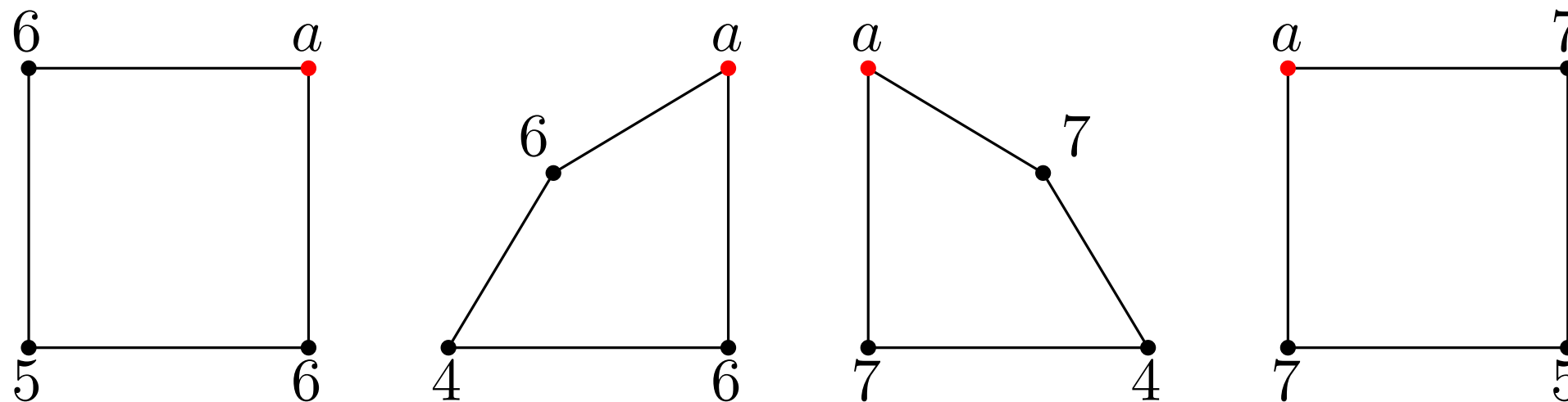
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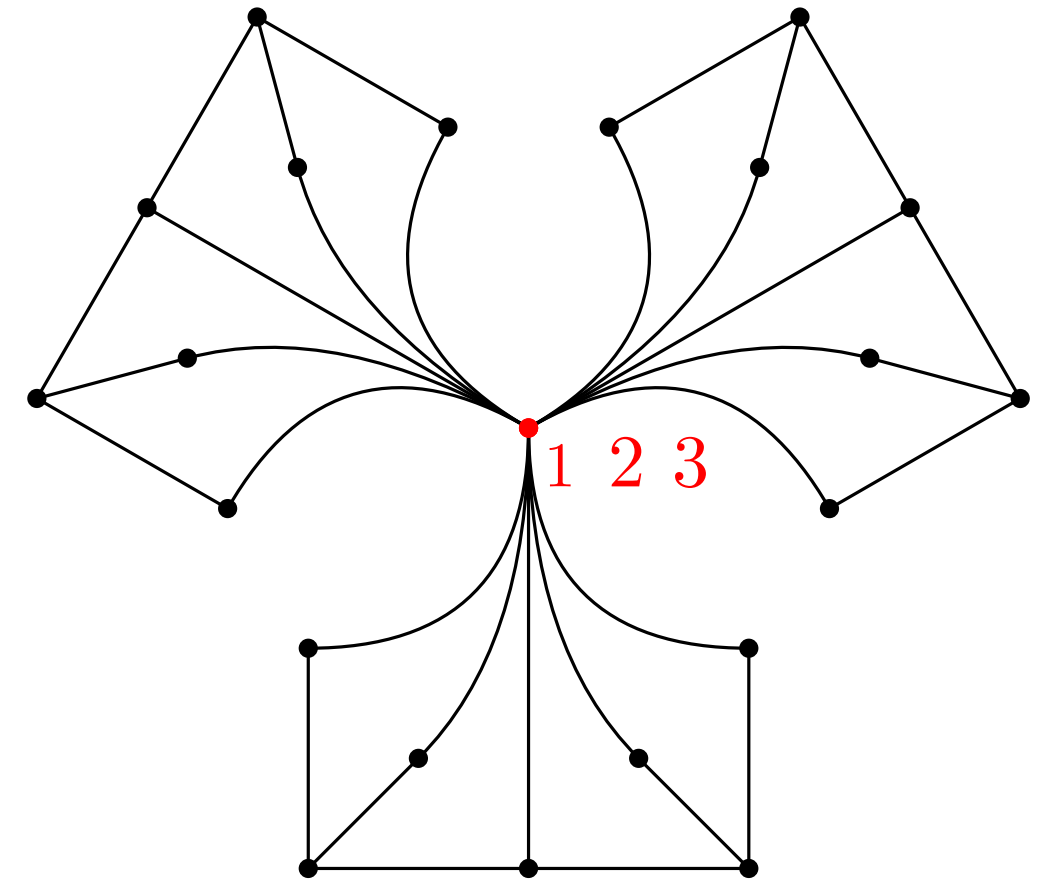
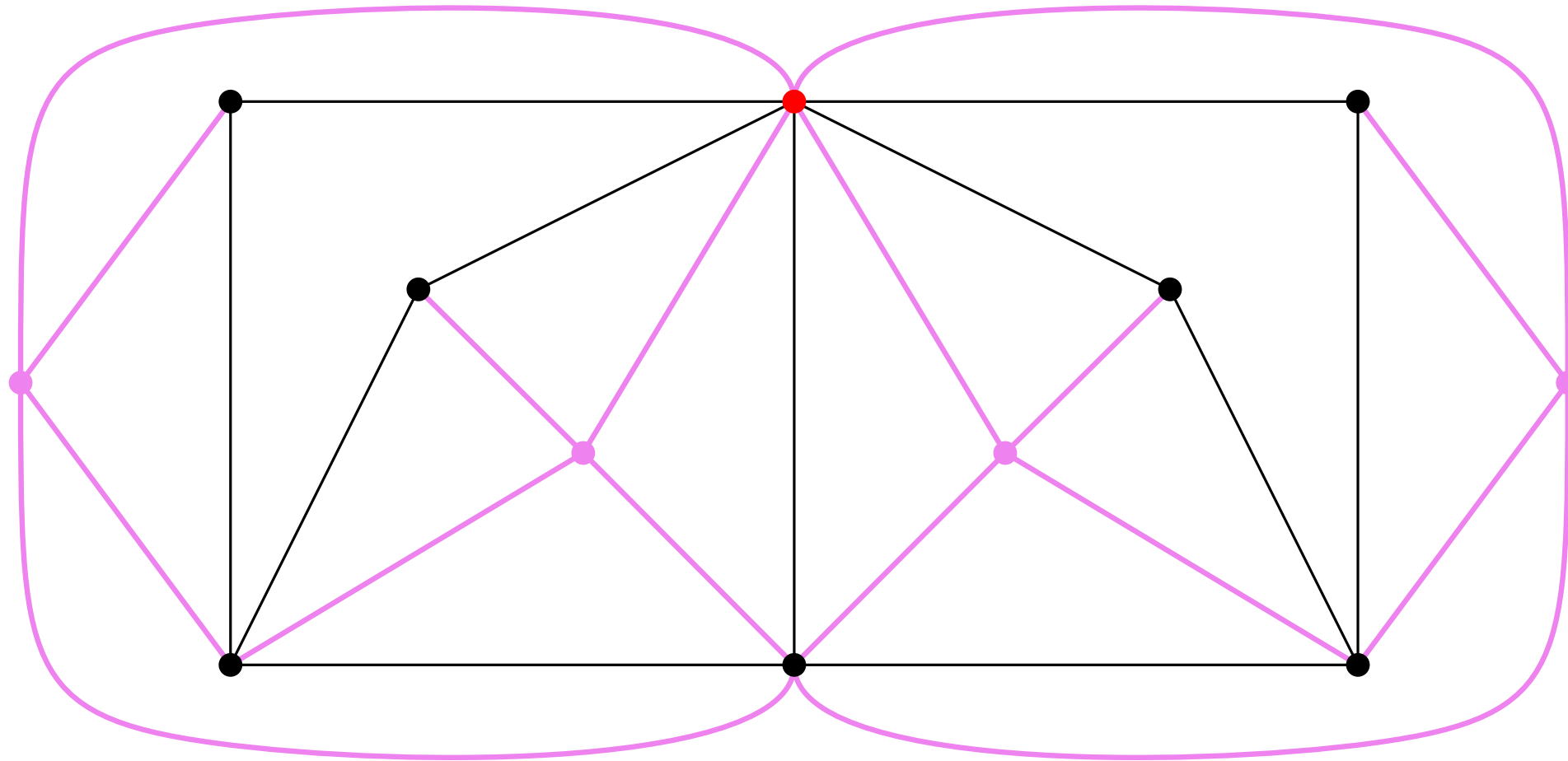
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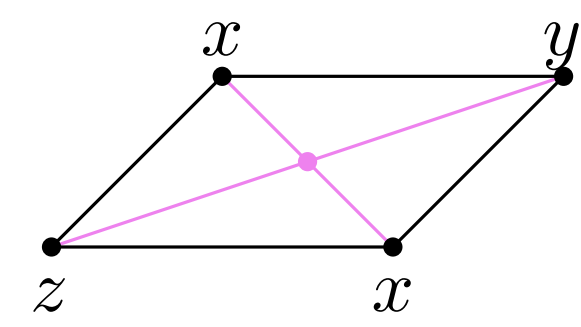
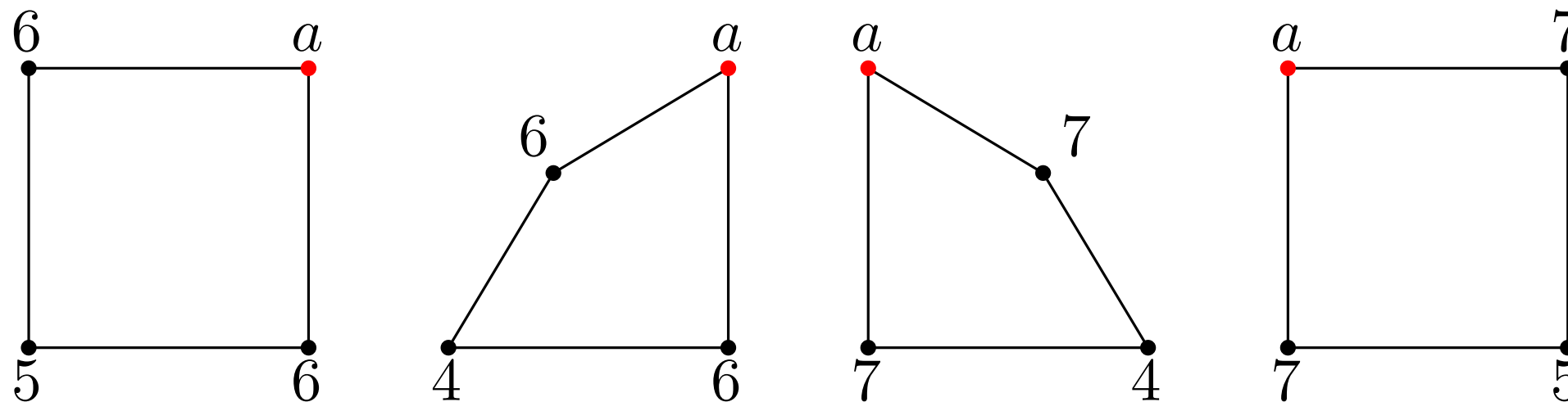
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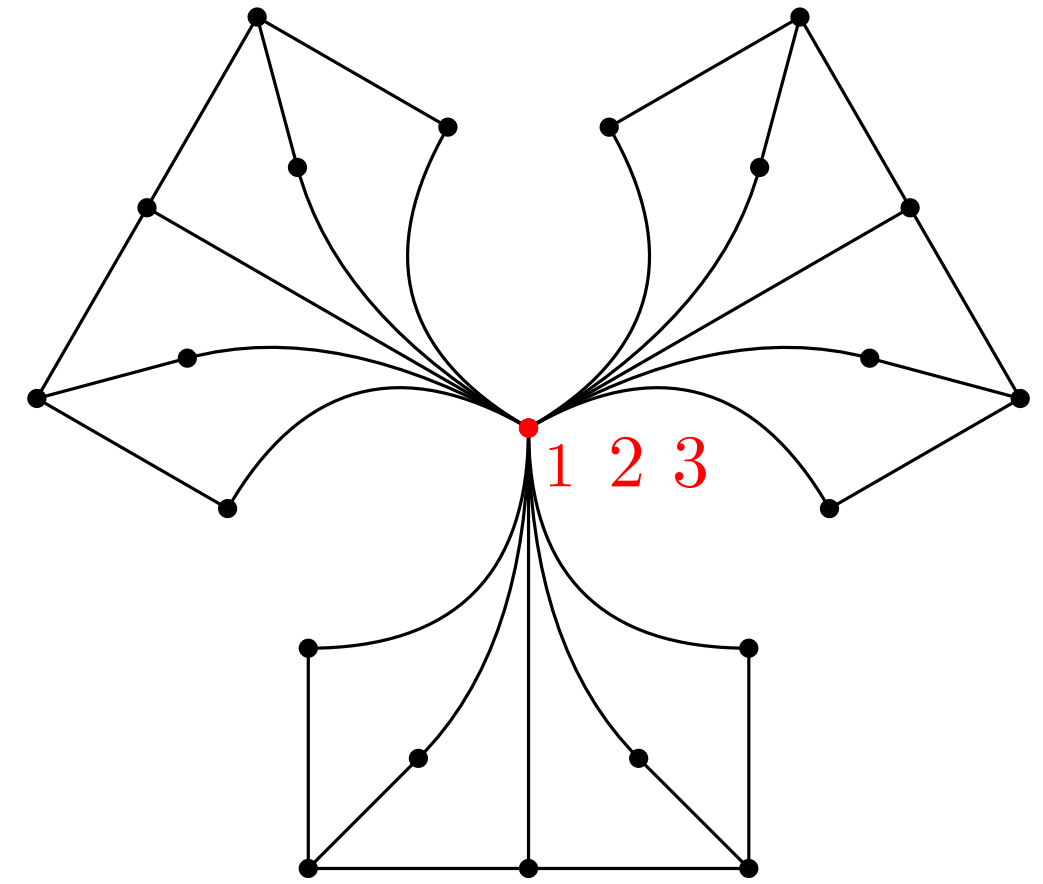
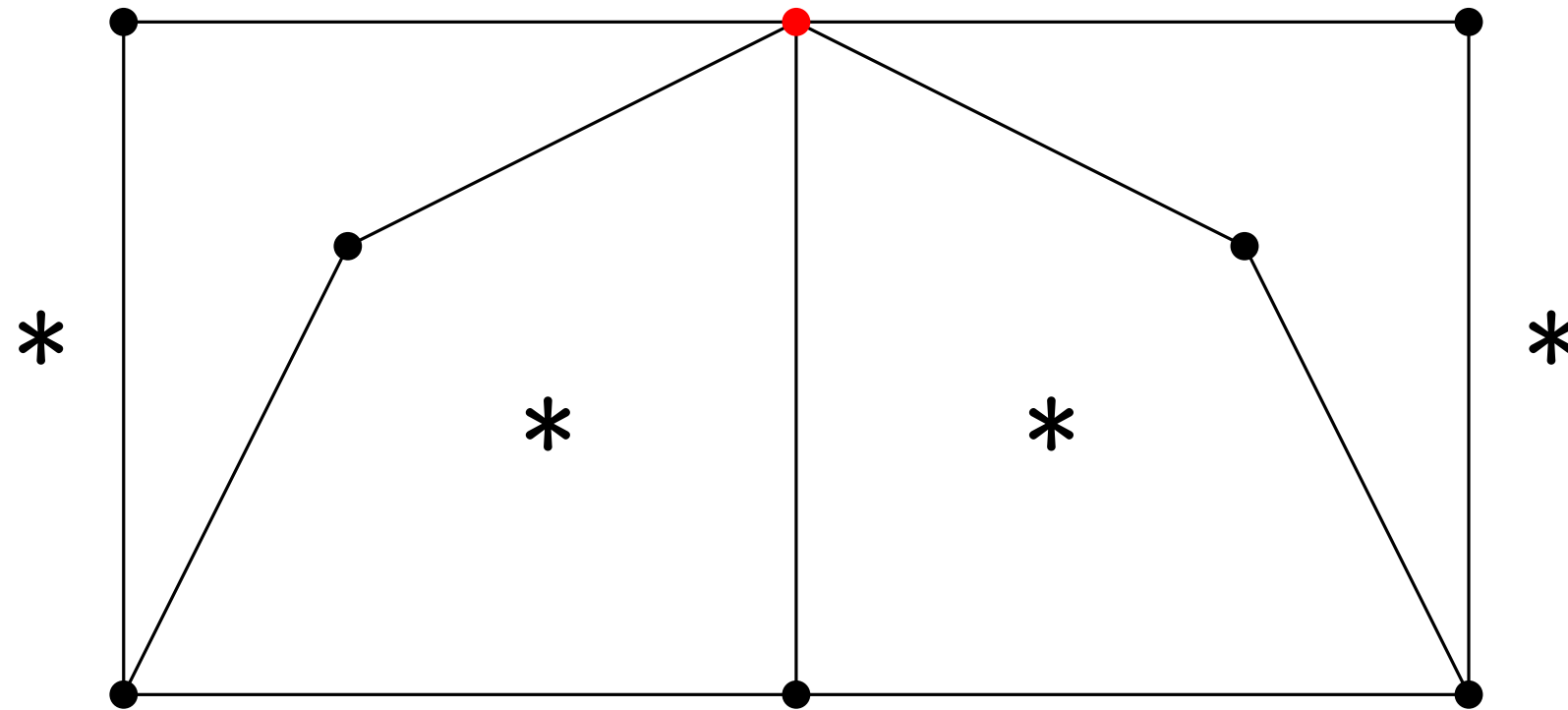
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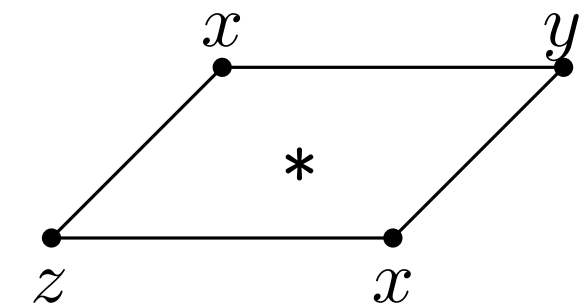
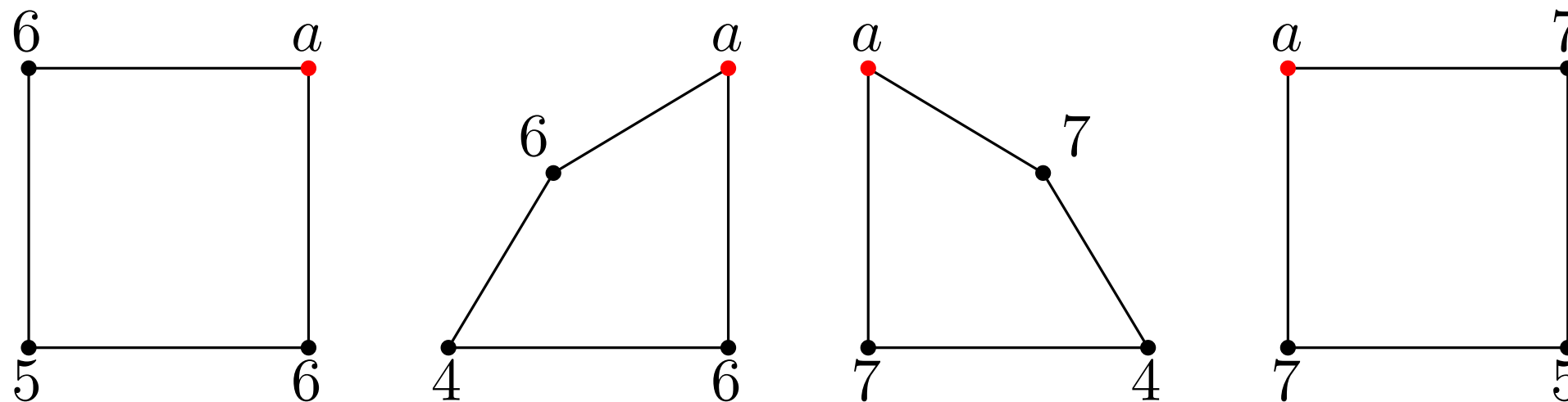
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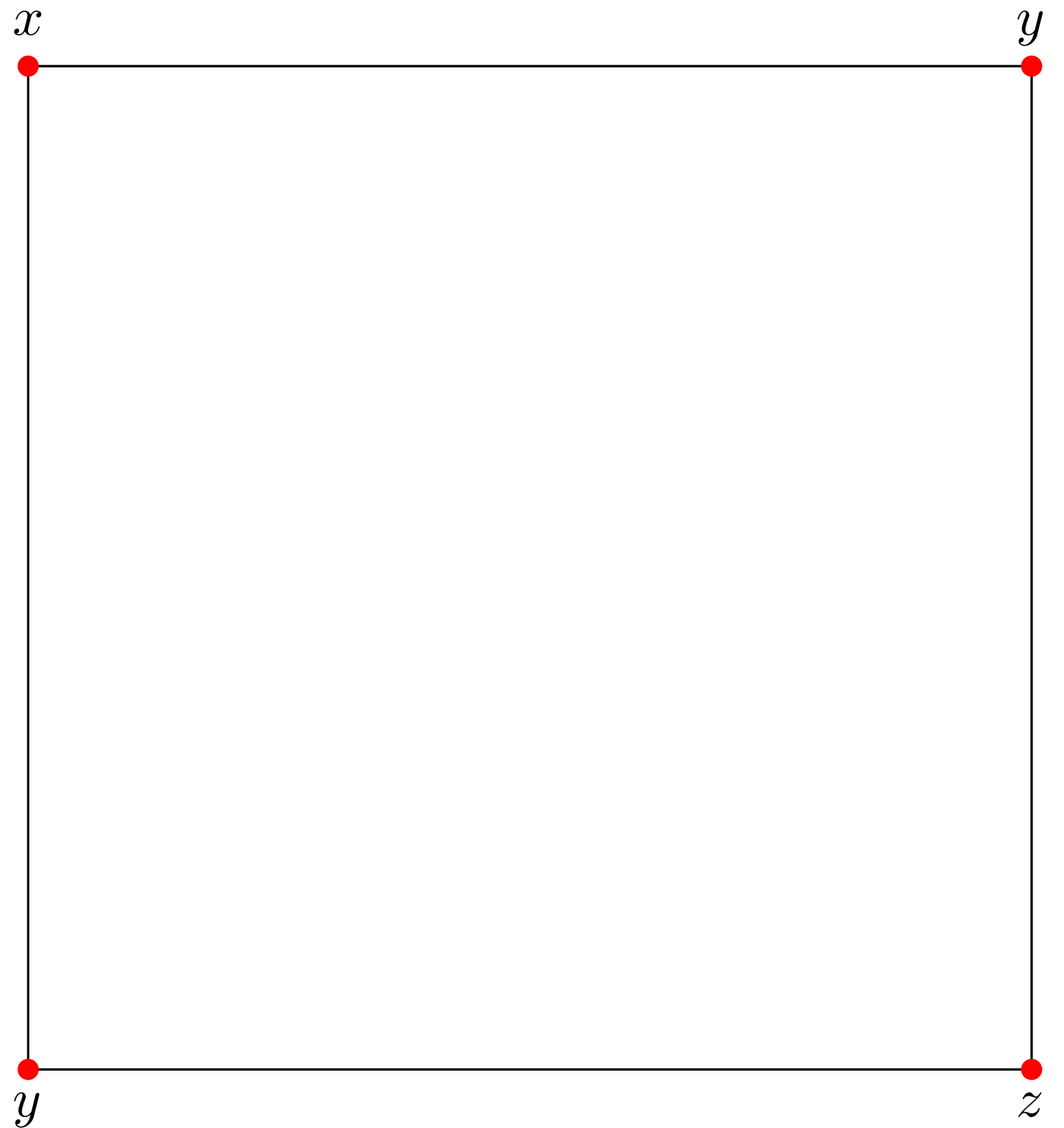
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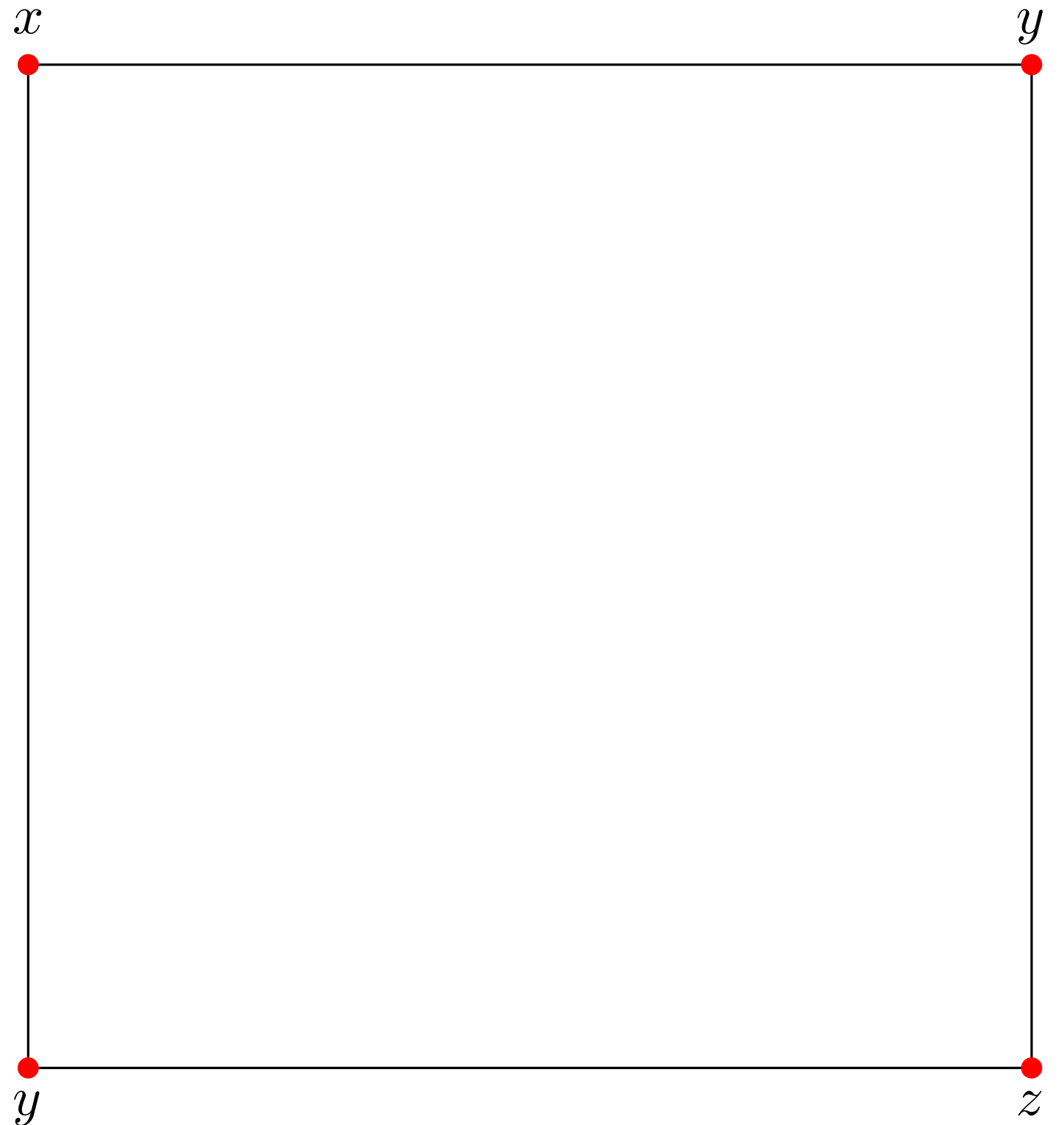
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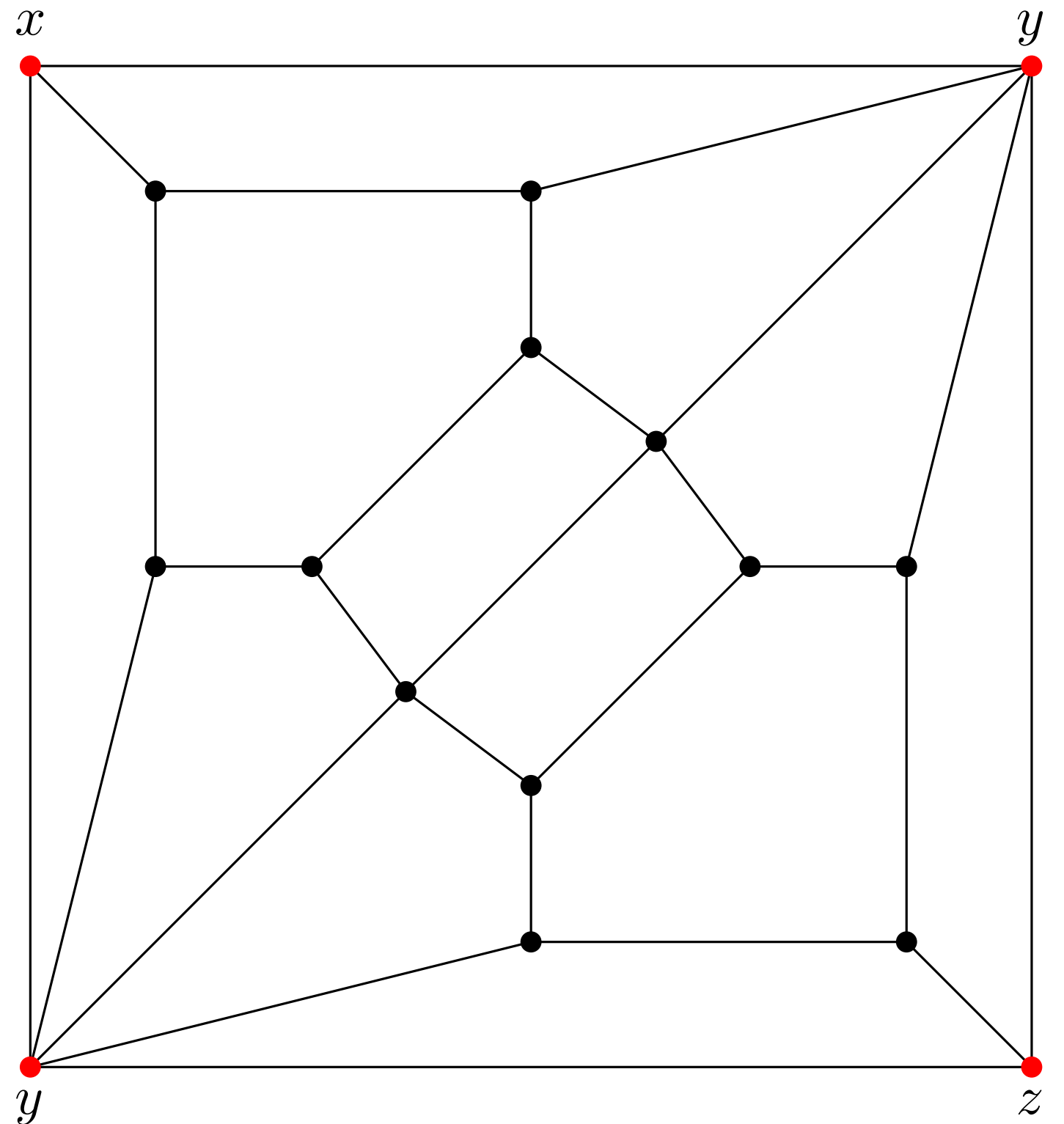
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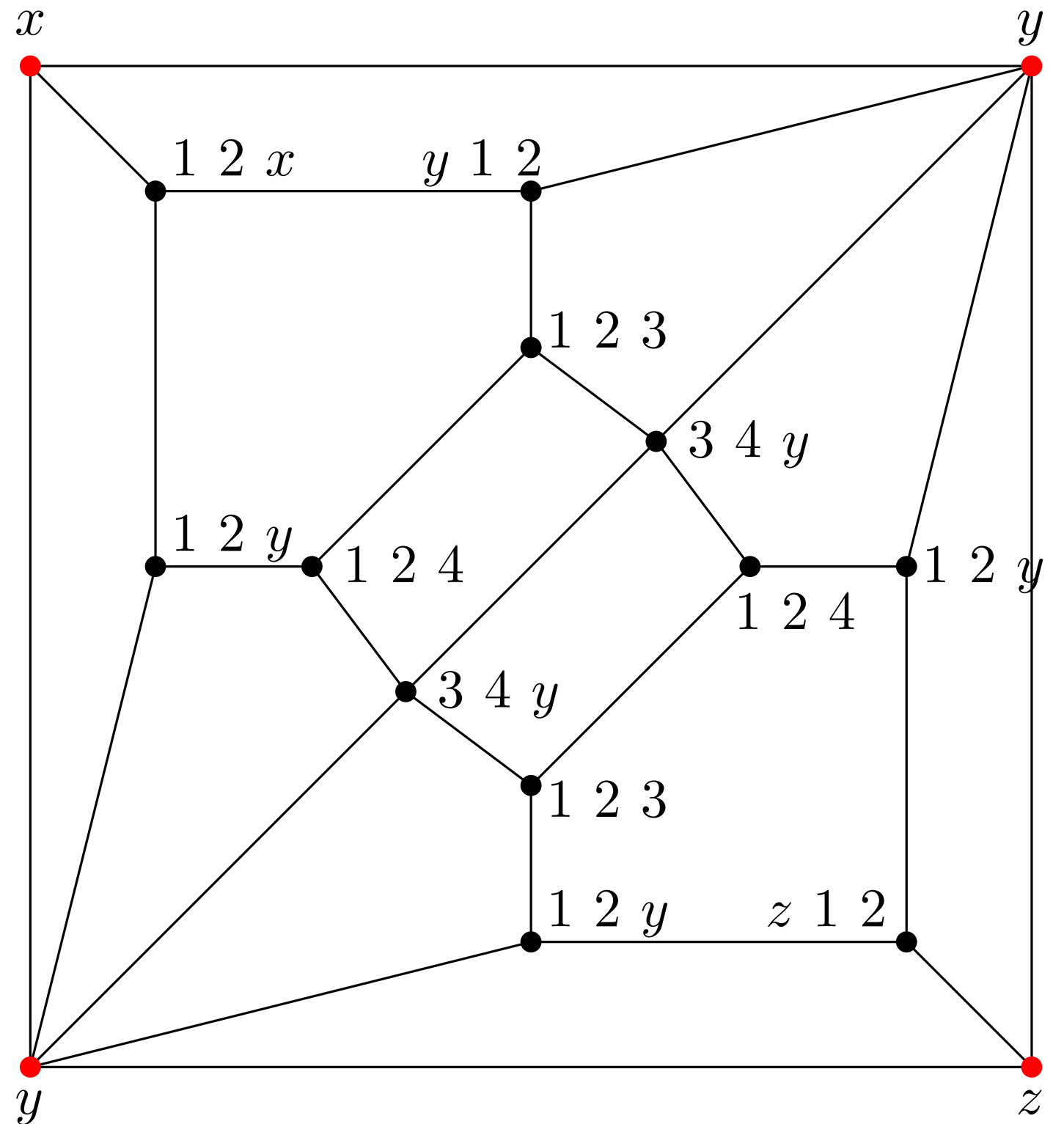
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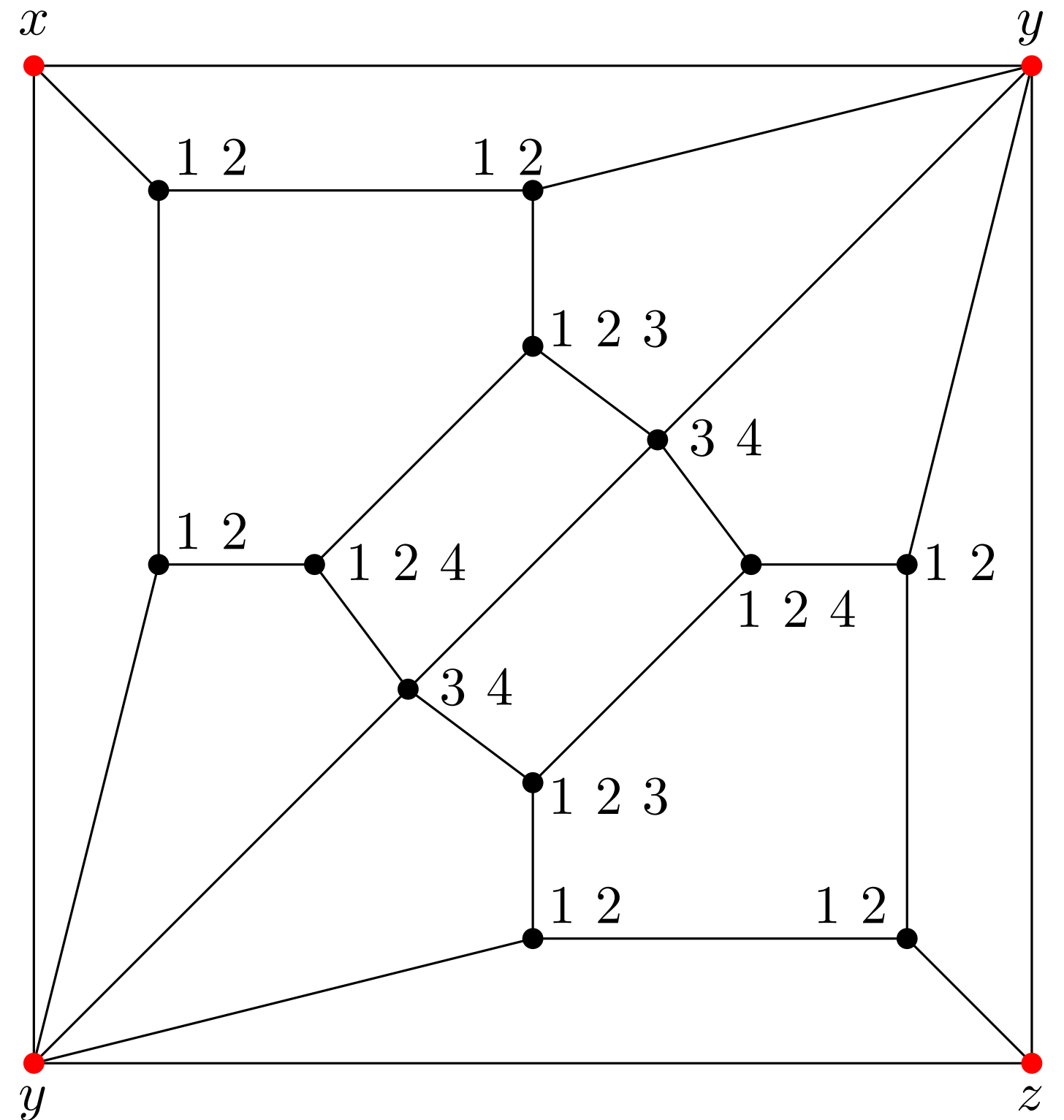
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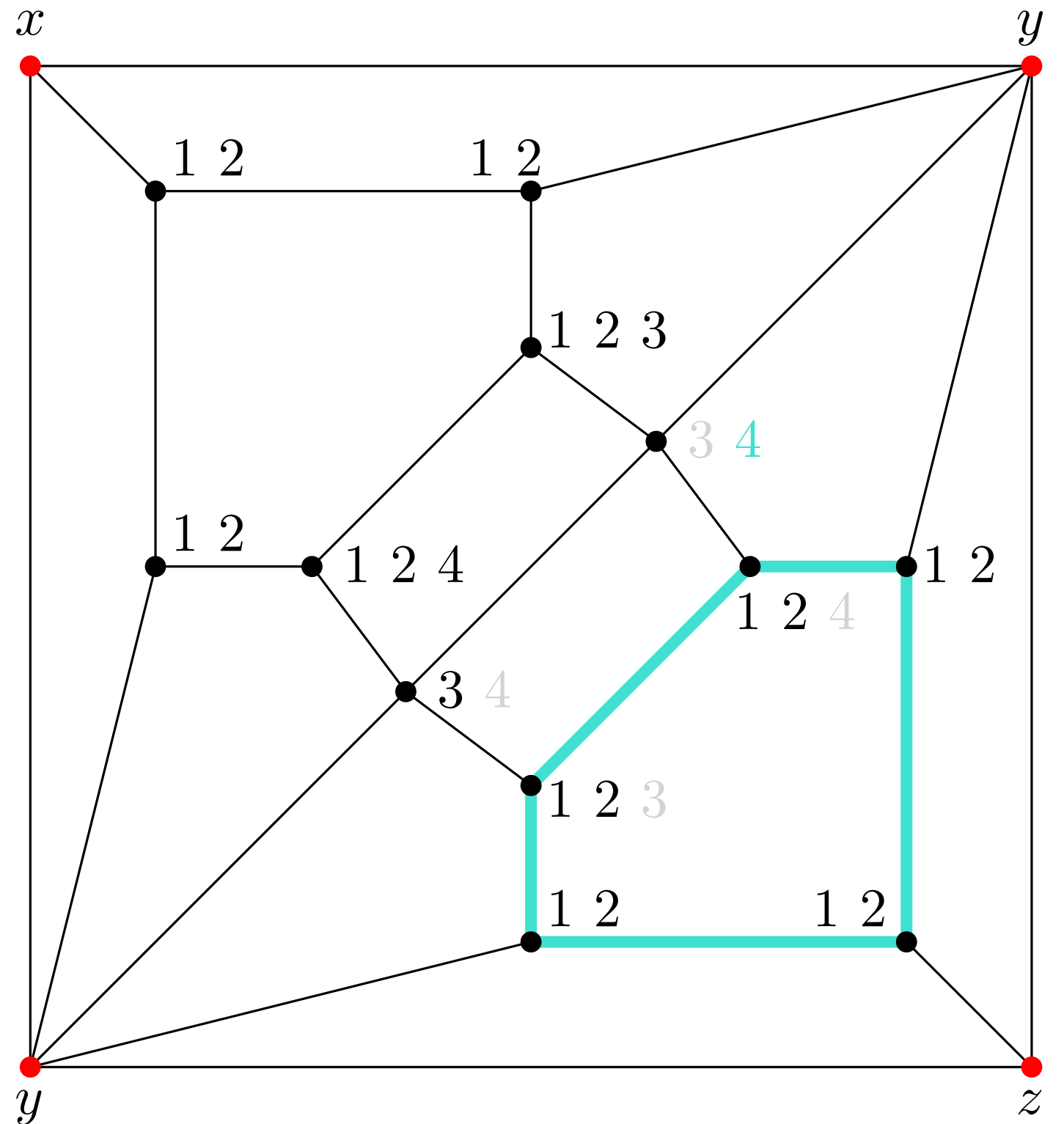
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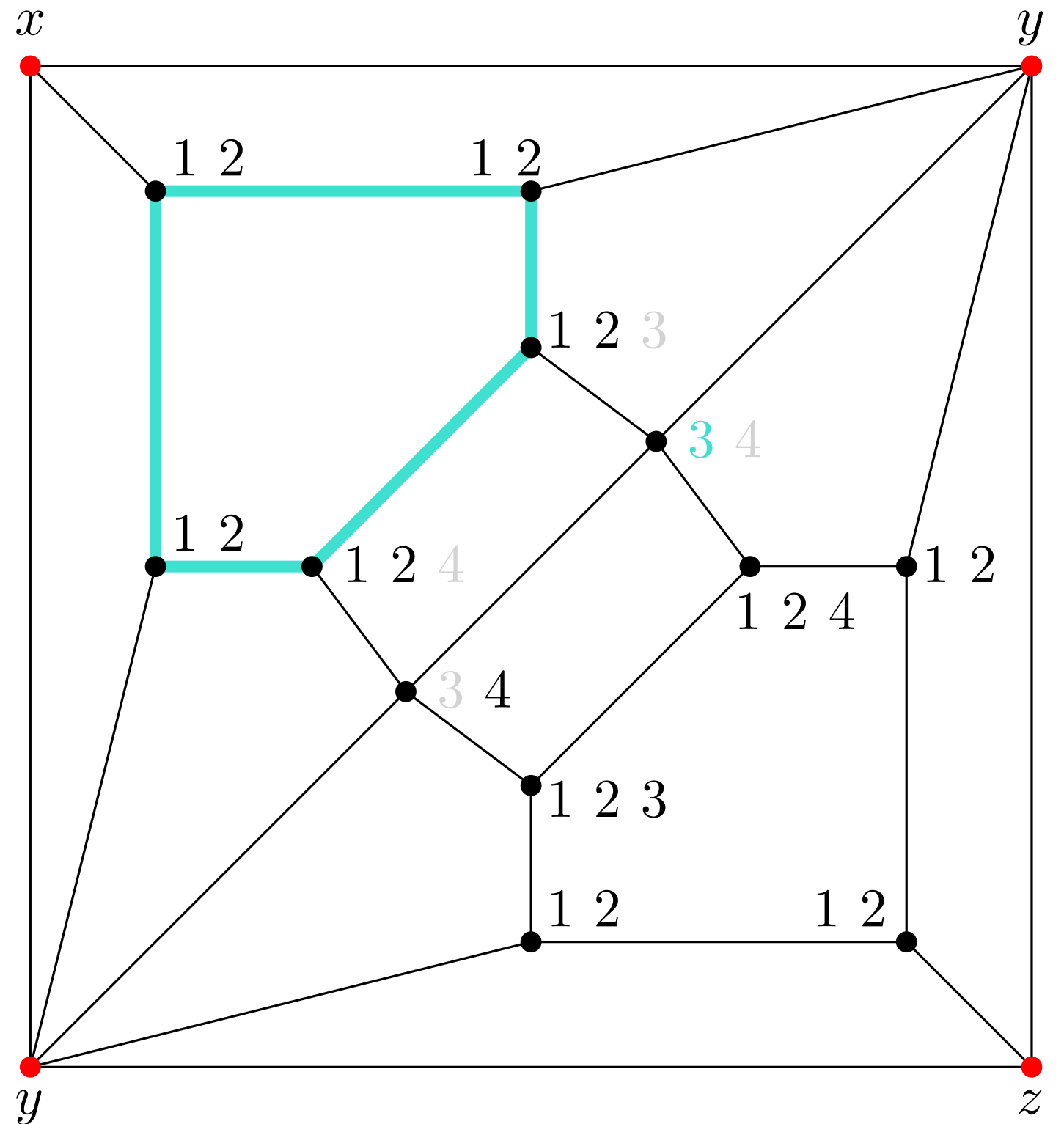
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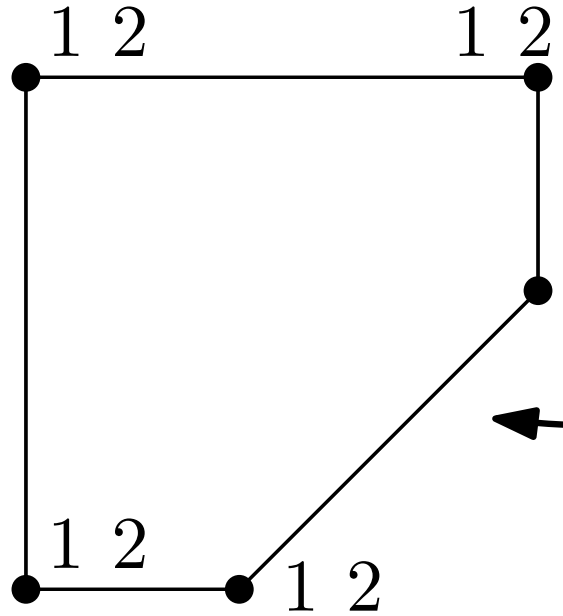
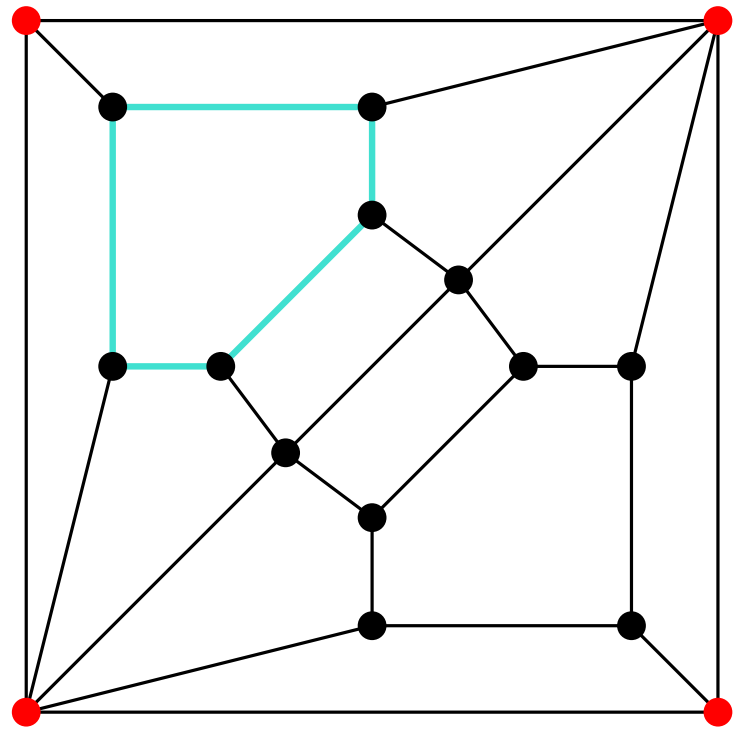
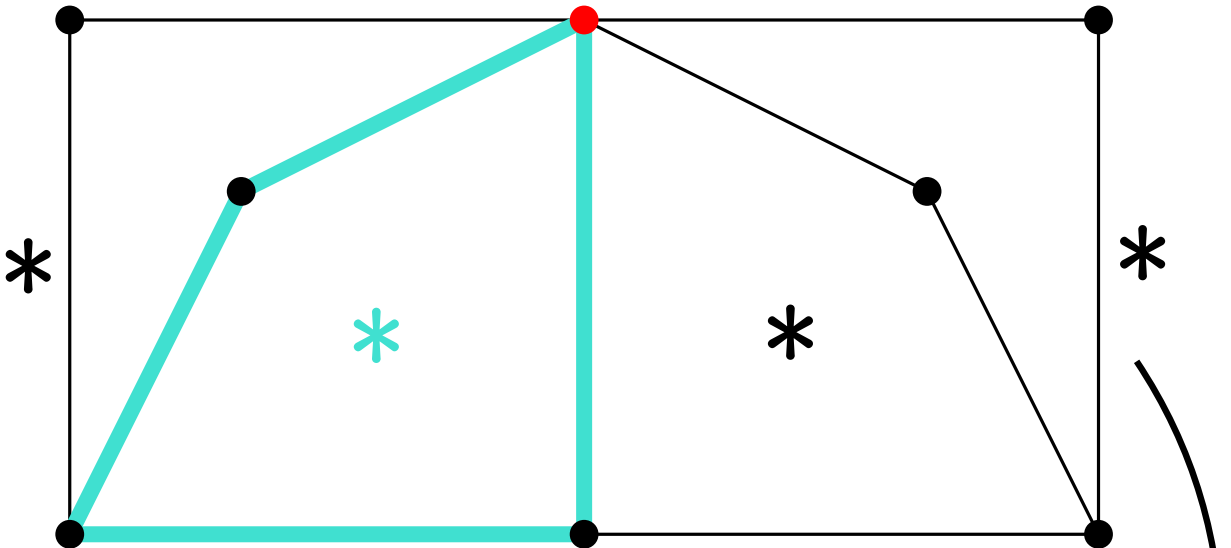
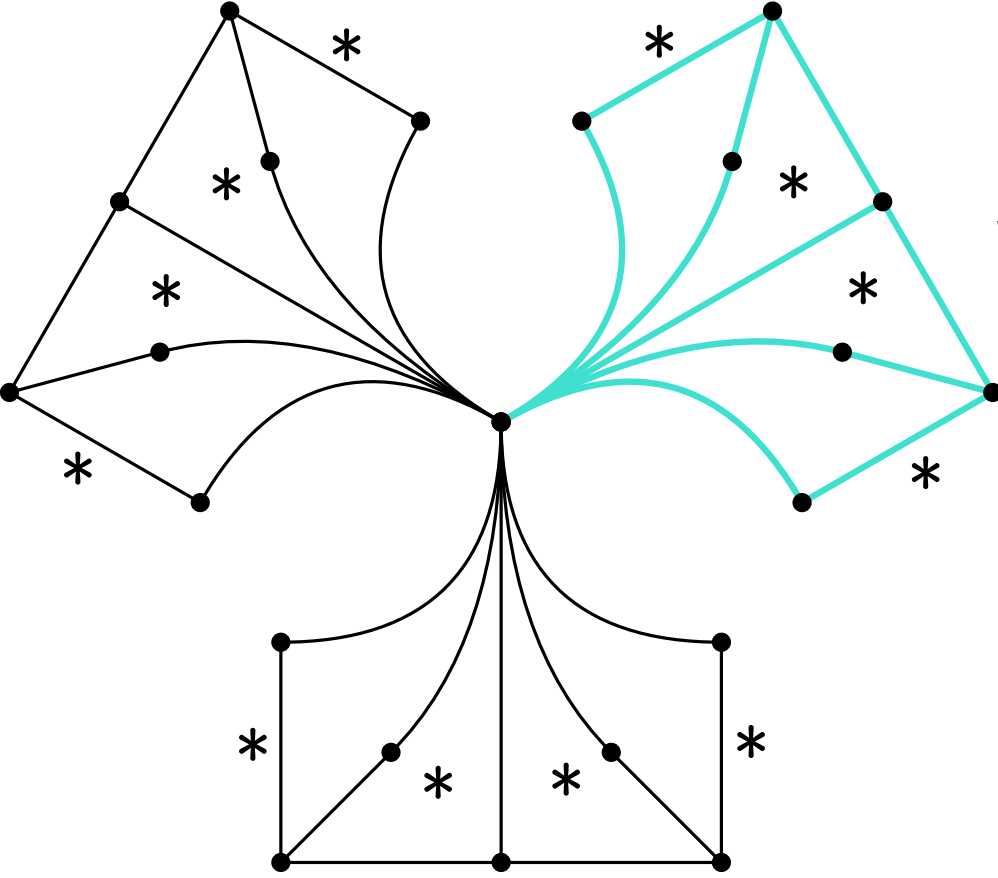
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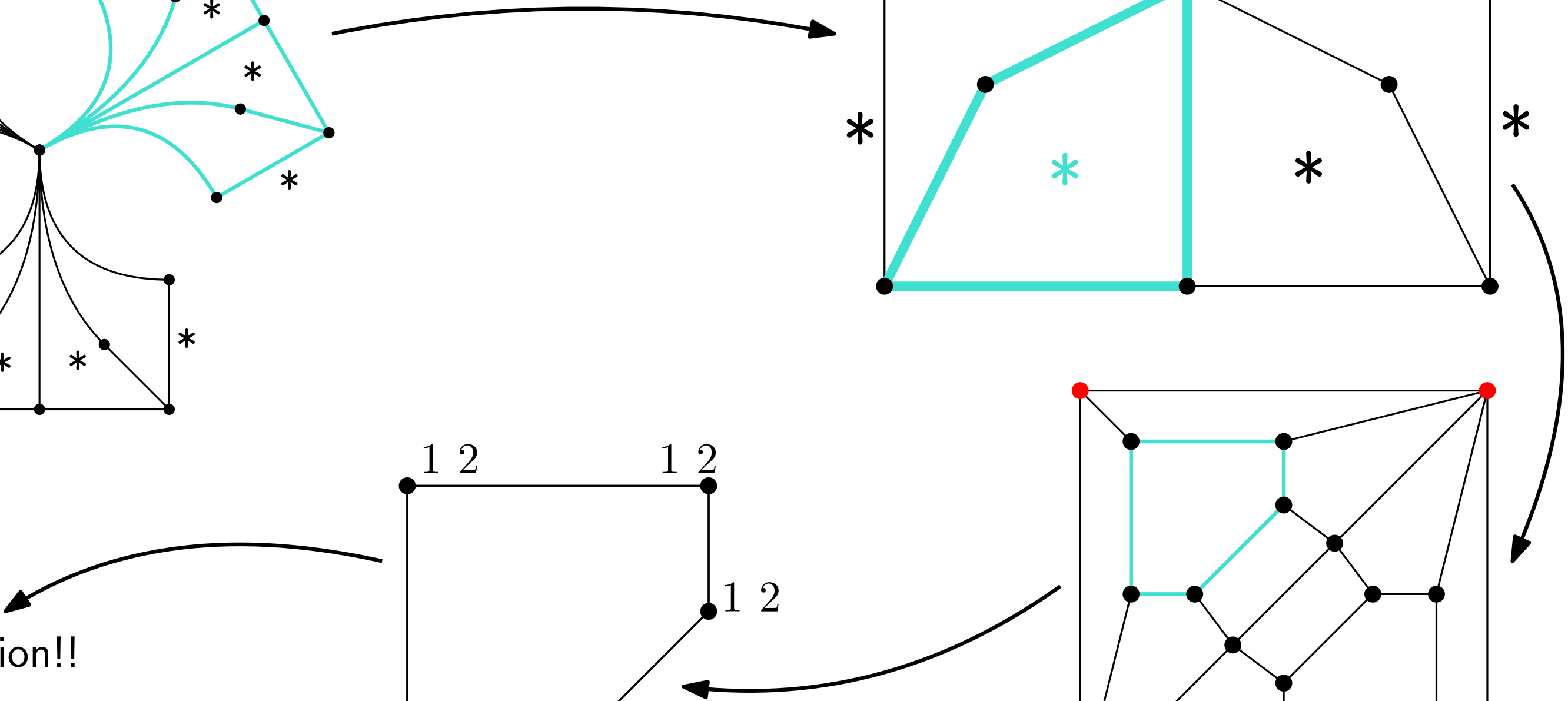
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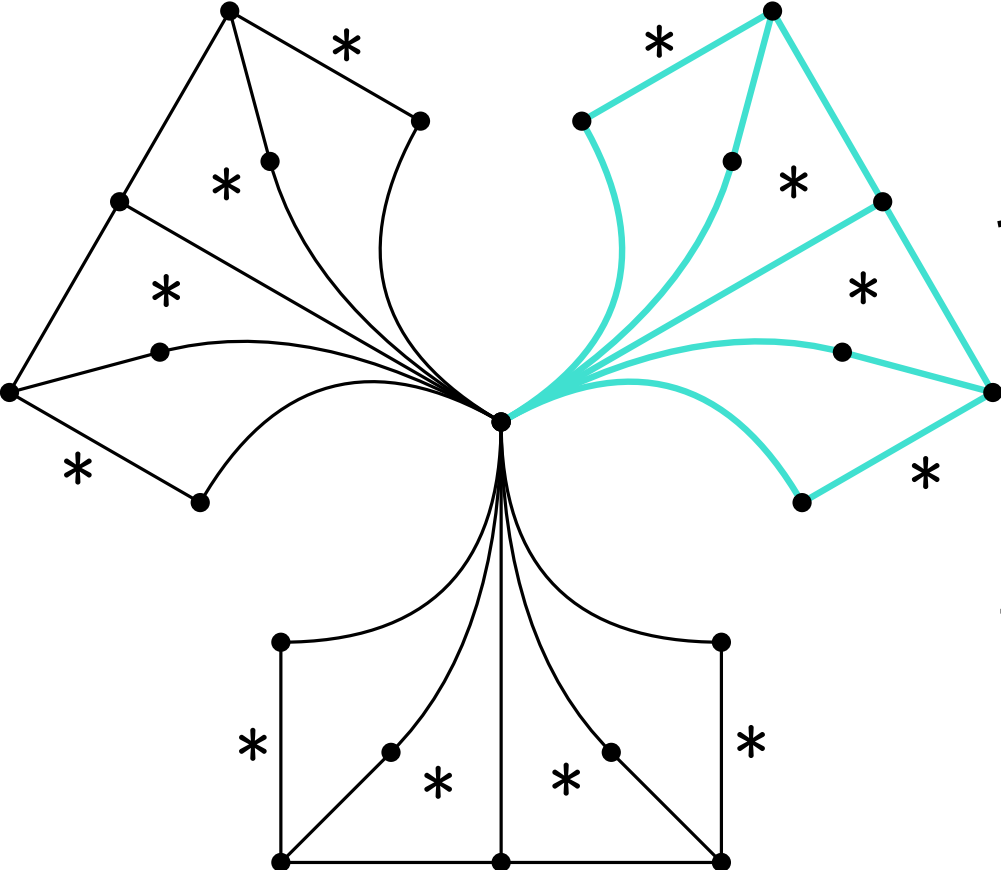
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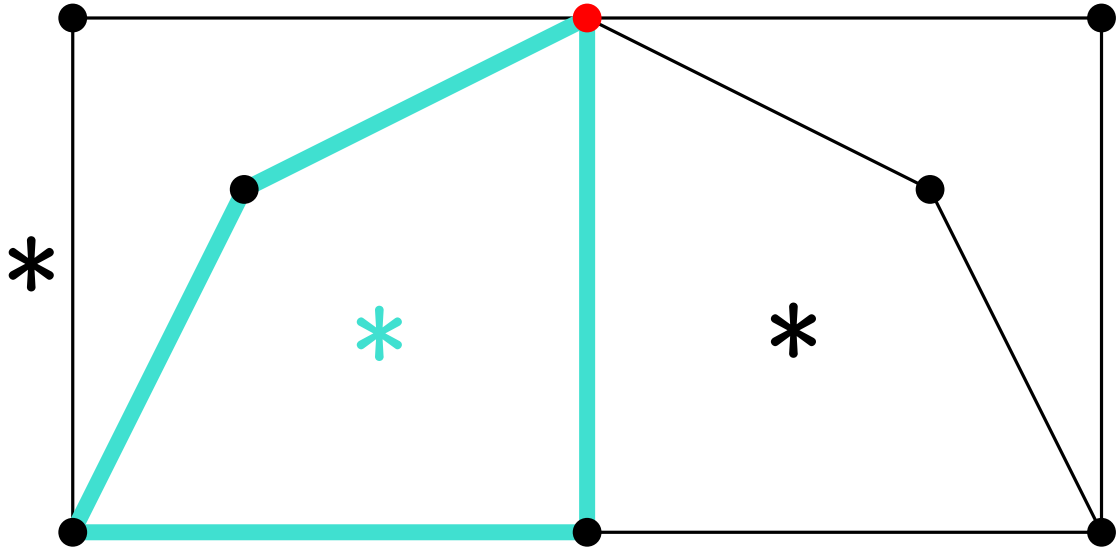
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