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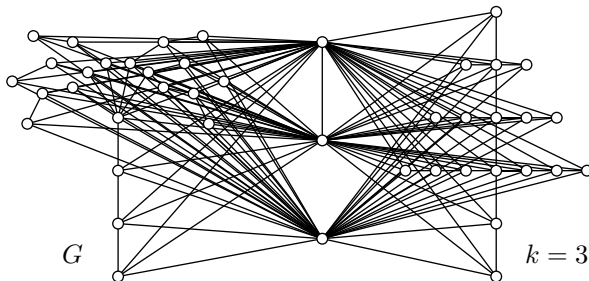
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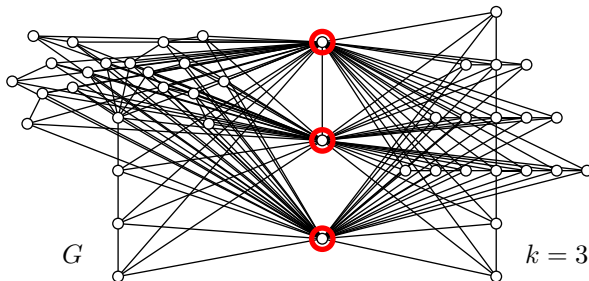
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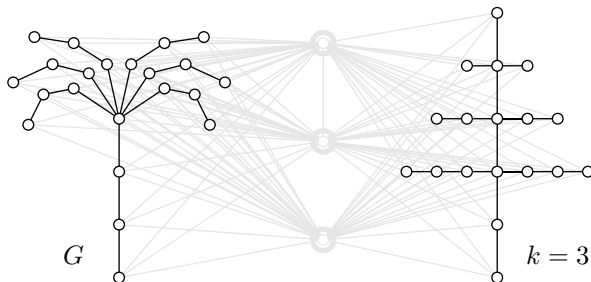
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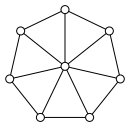
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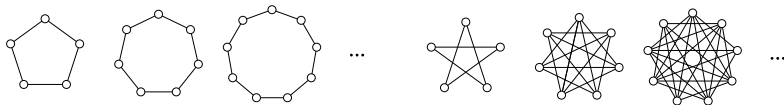
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Strong Perfect Graph Theorem (Chudnovsky et al., 2006)

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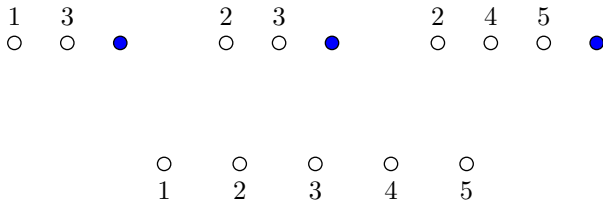
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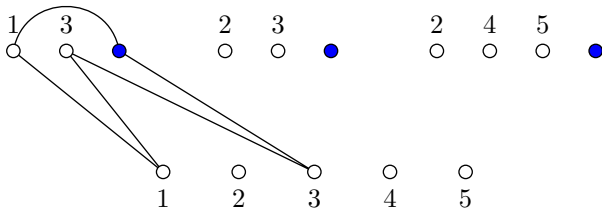


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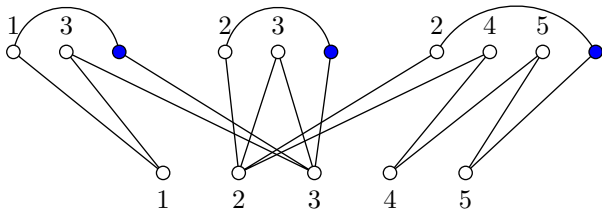


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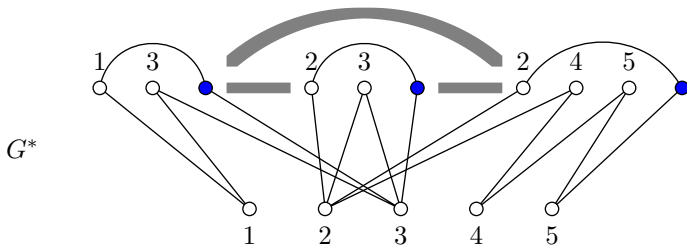


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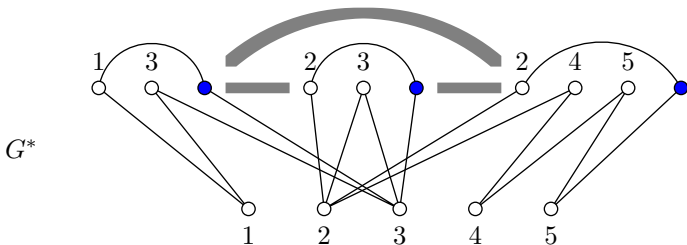


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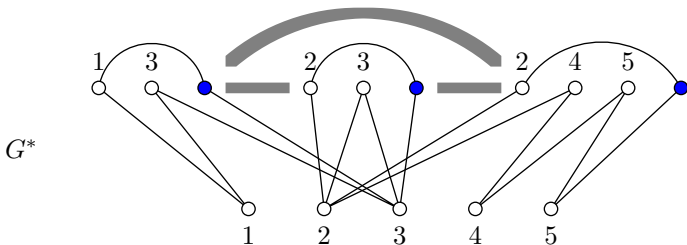
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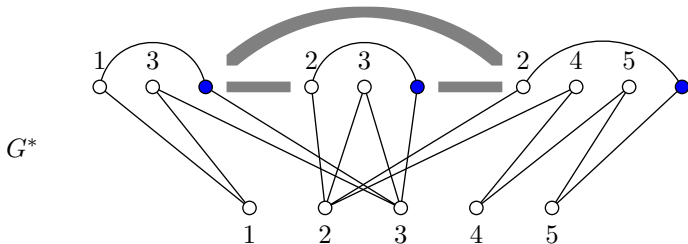
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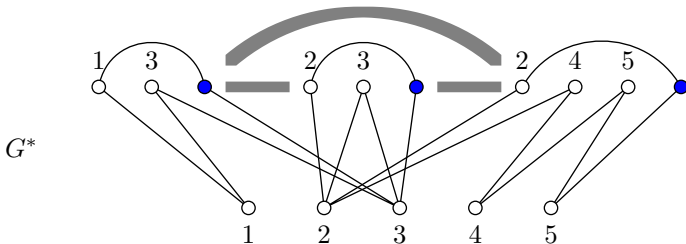
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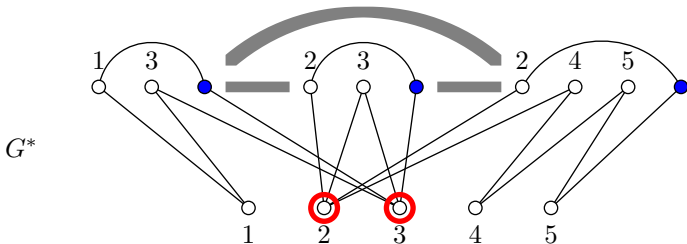


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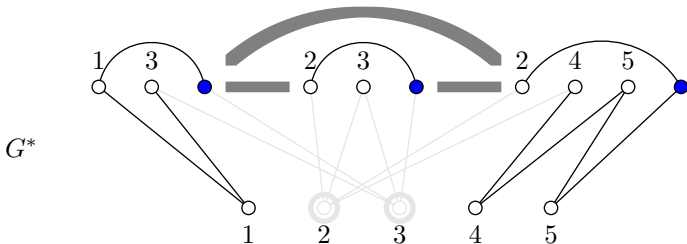


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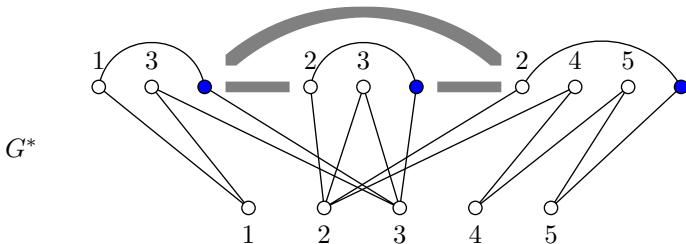


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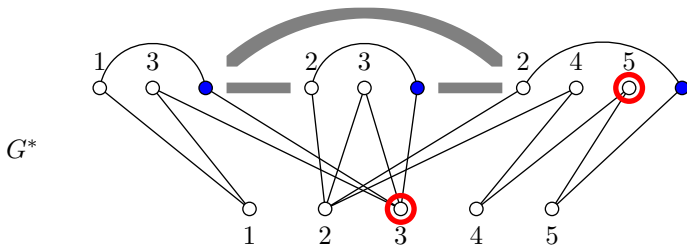


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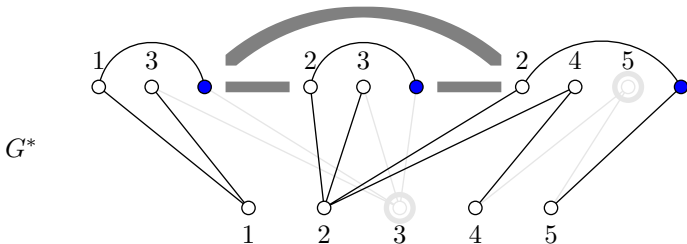


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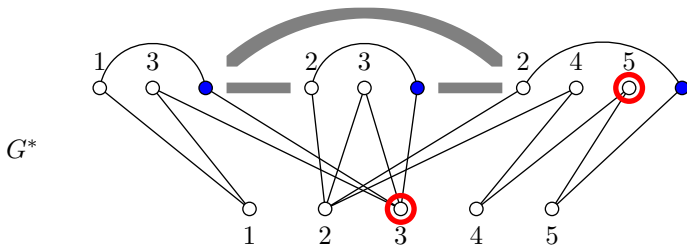


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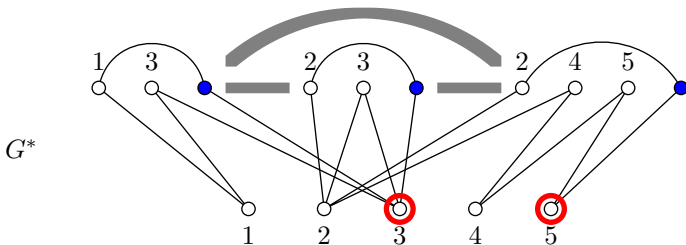


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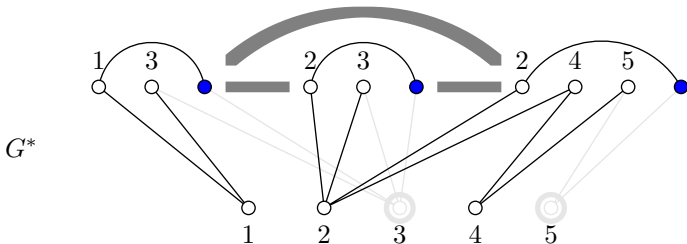


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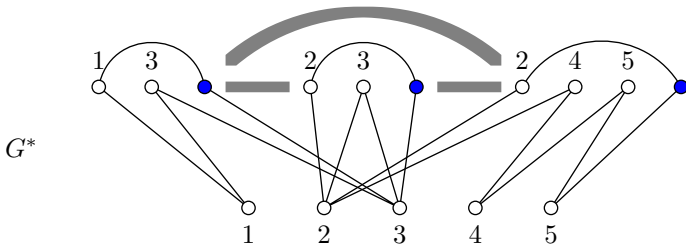


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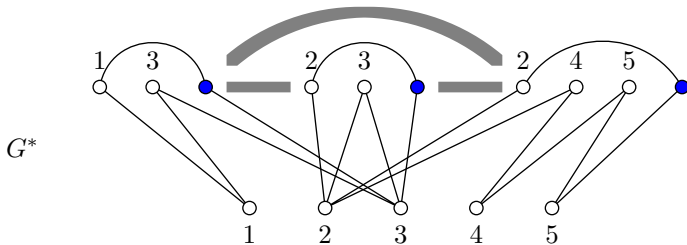
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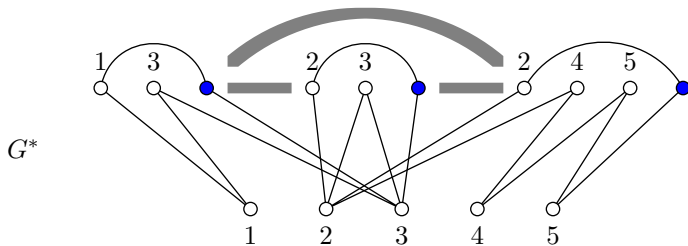


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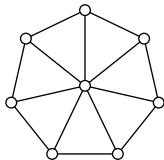
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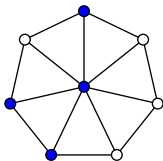
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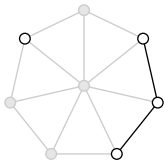
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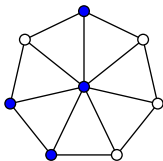
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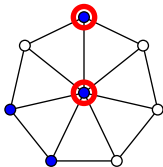
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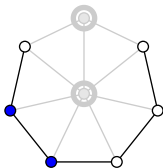
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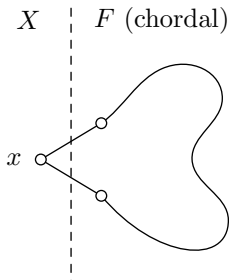
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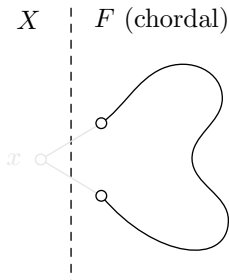
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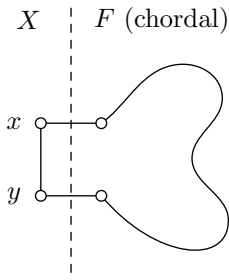
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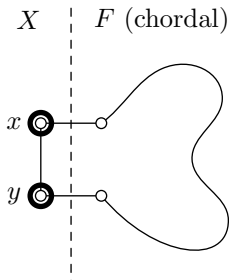
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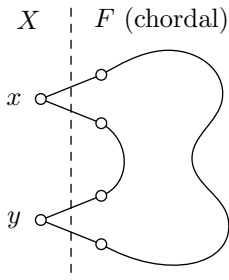
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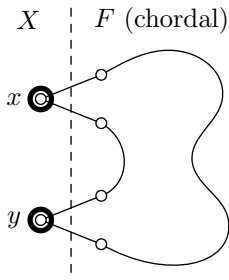
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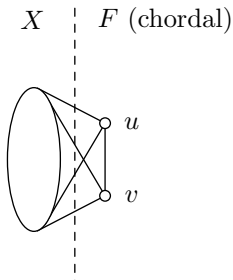
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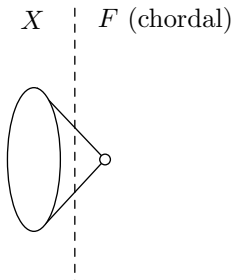
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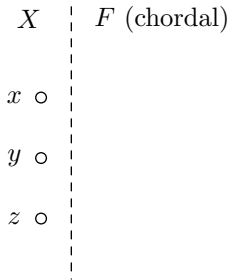
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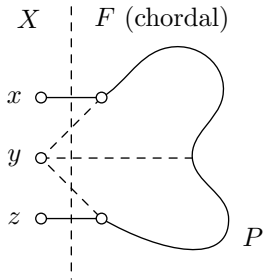
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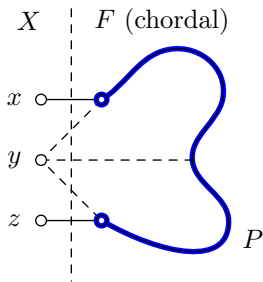
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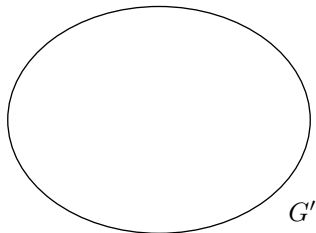
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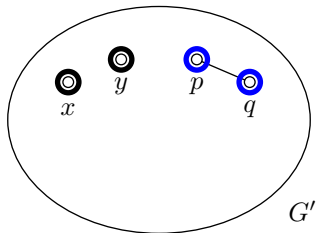
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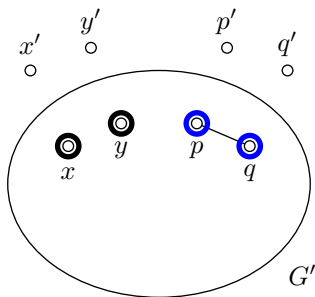
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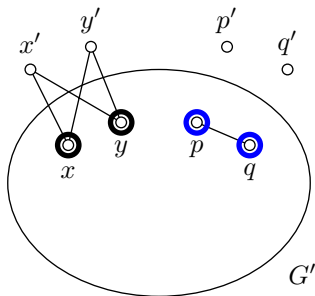
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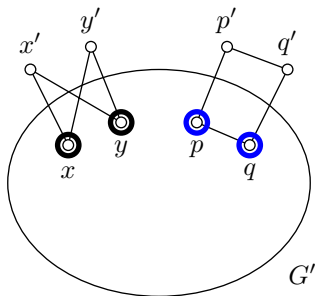
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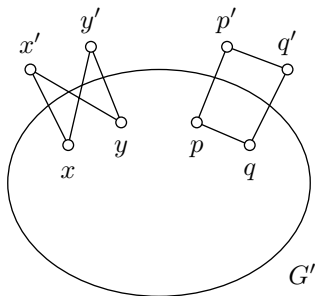
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