

Exact stability for Turán's theorem

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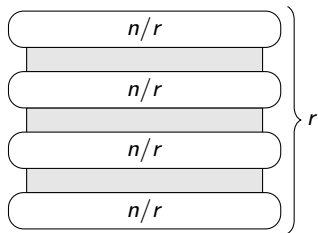
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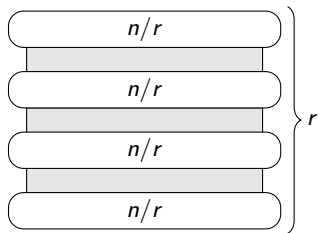


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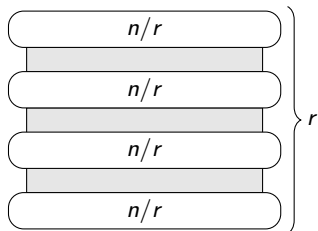
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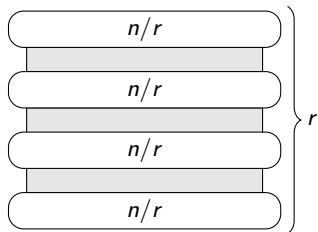
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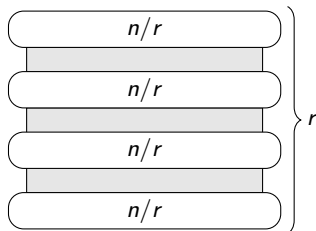
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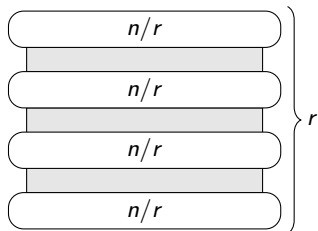
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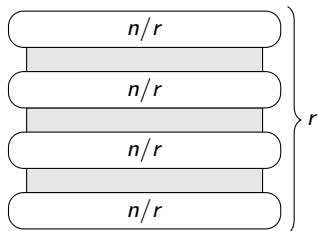
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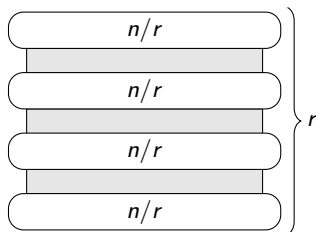
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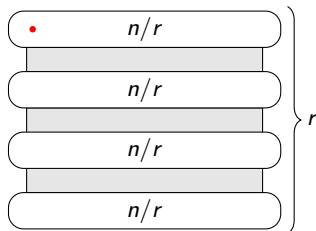
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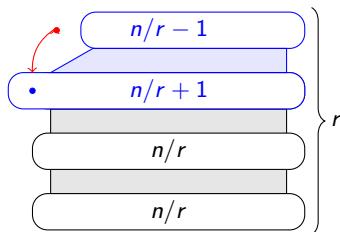
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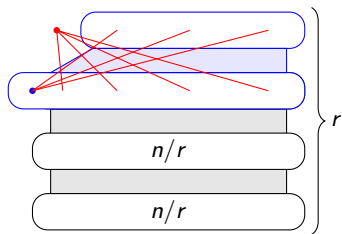
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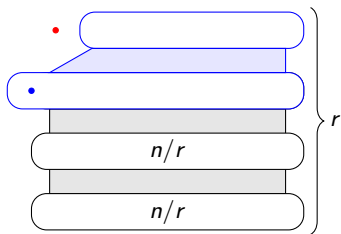
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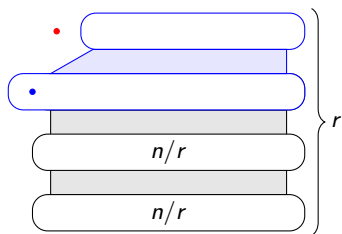
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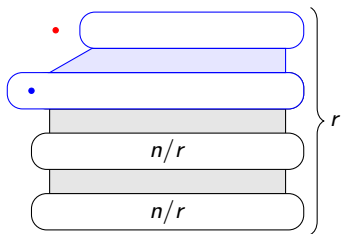
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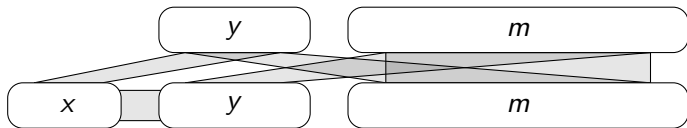
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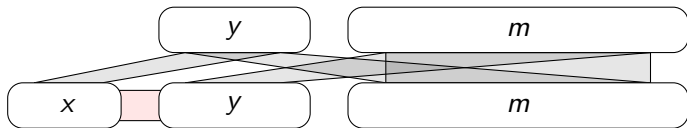
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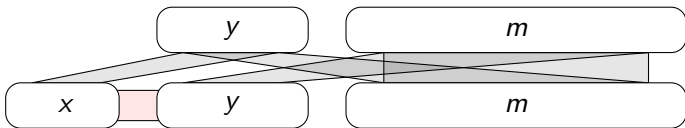
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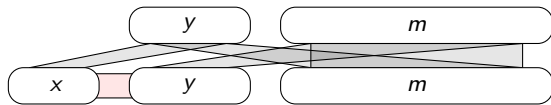
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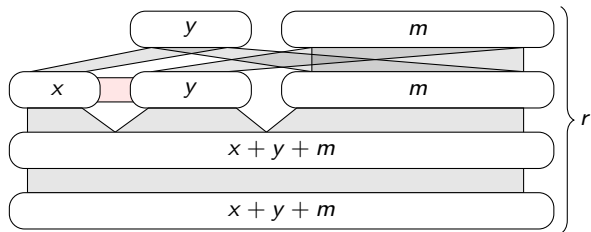
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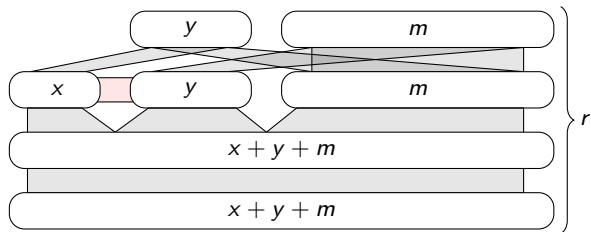
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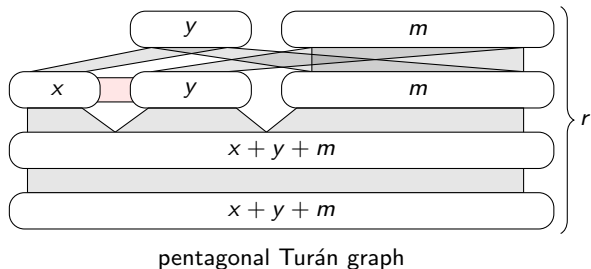


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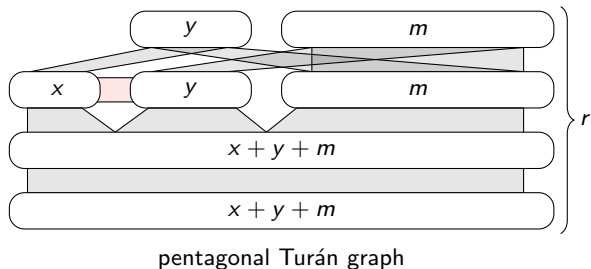
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Theorem (K-Roberts-Scott, 2020+)

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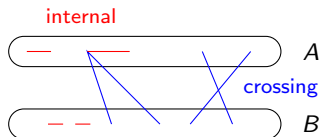
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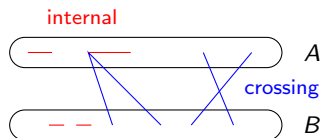
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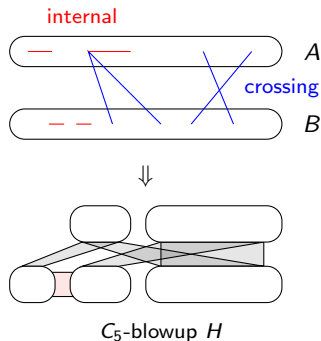
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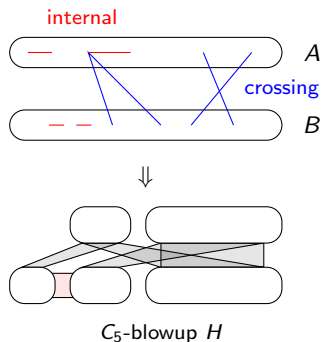
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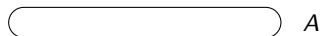
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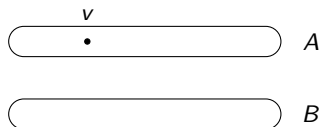


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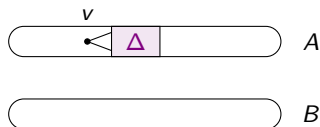
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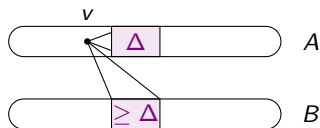
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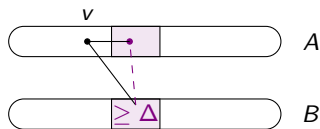
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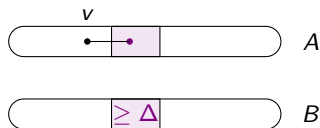
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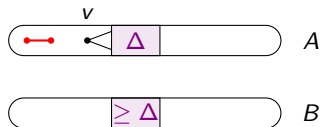
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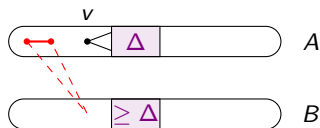
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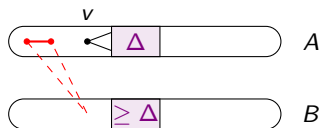
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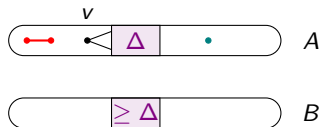
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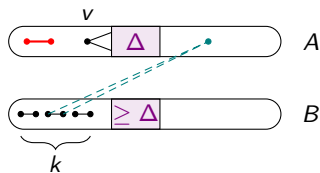
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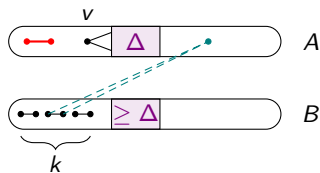
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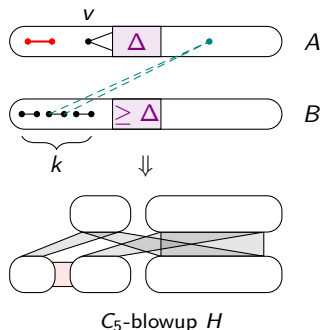
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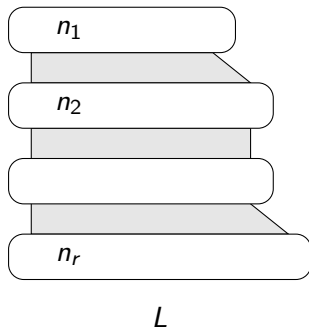
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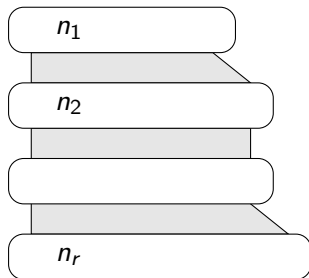
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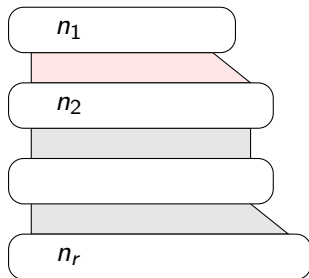


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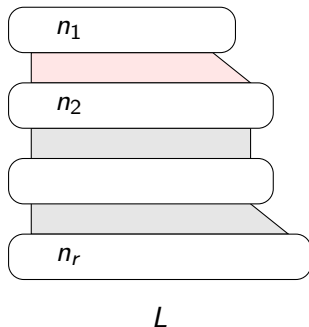
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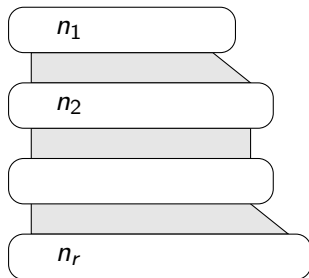
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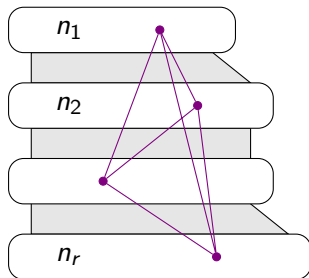
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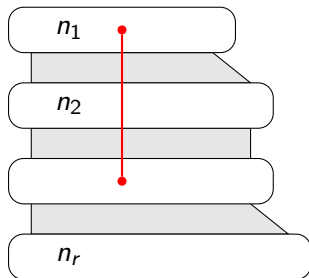
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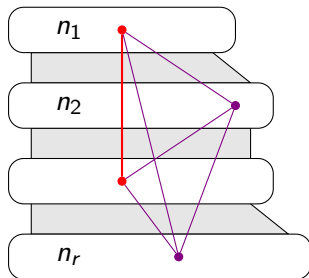
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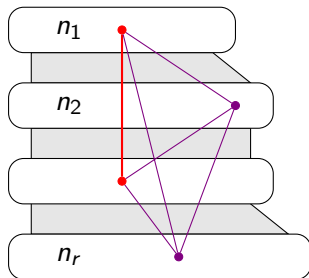
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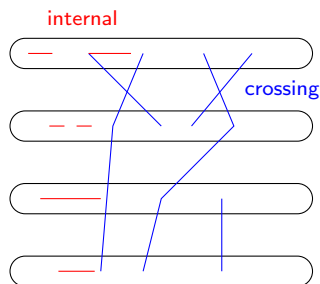
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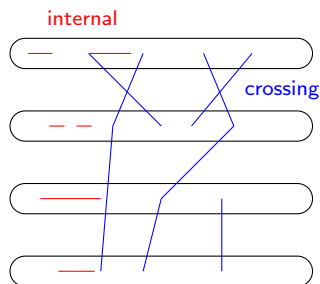
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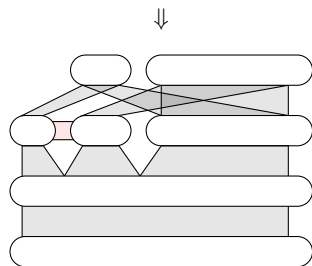
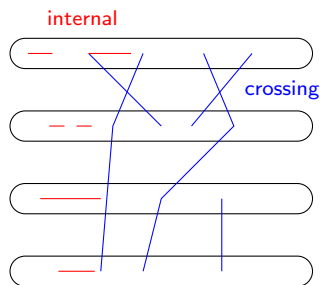
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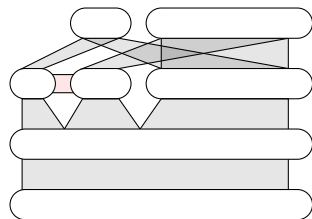
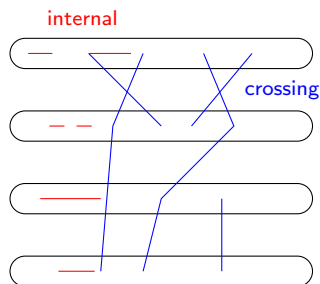


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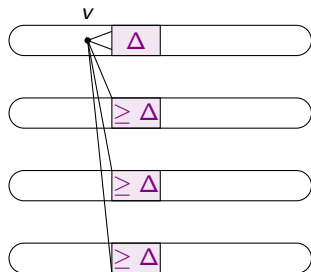
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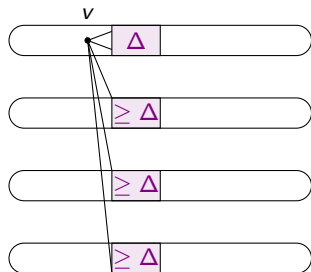
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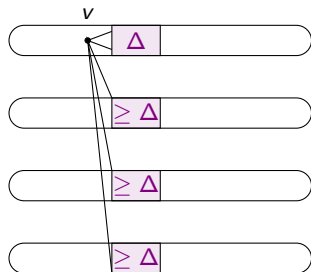
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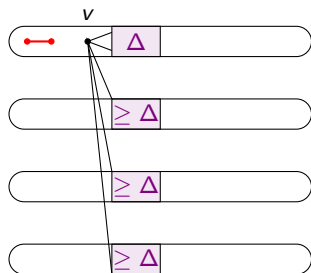
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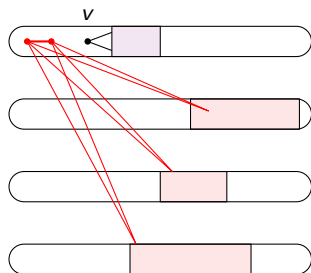
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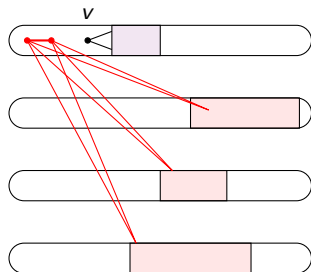
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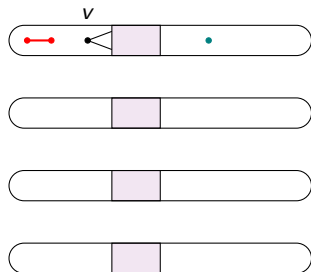
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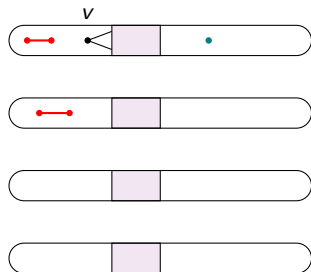
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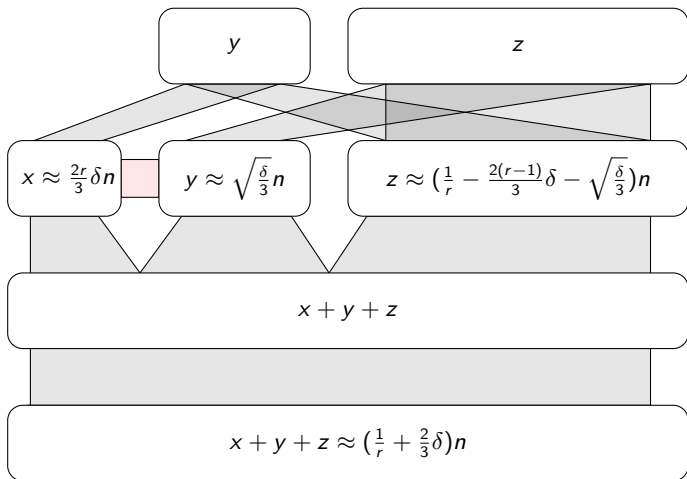


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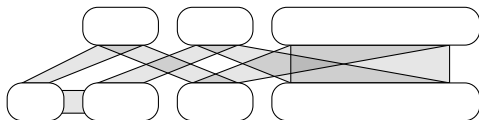
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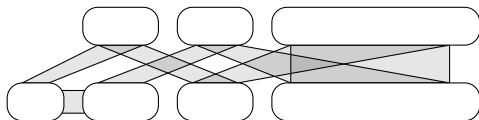


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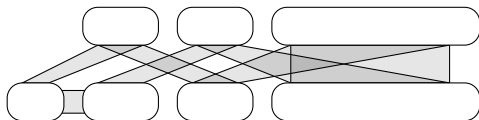
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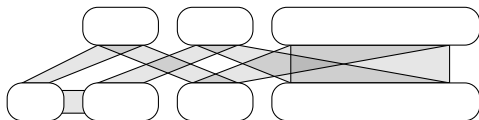
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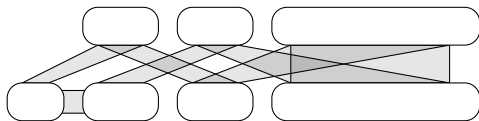
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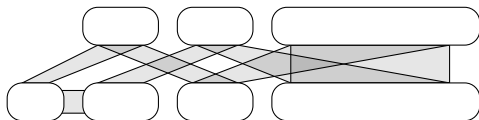
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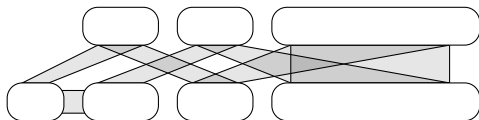
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