

# Kernelization for Degree Sequence Completion Problems Using $f$ -Factors

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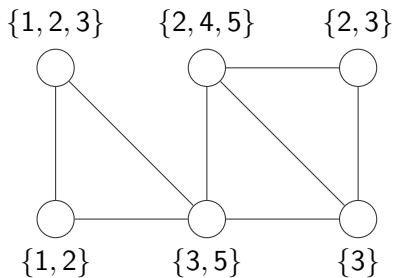
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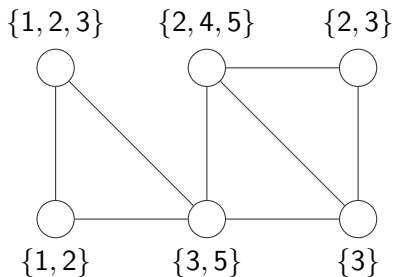
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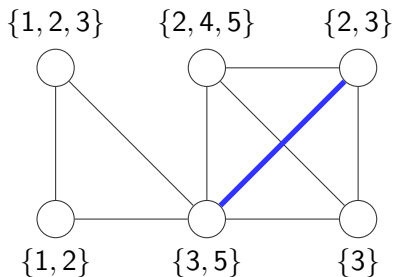
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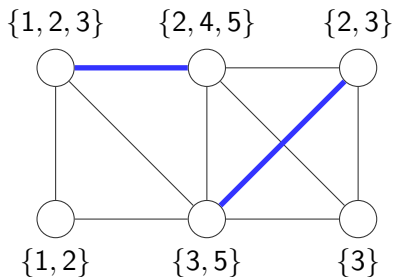
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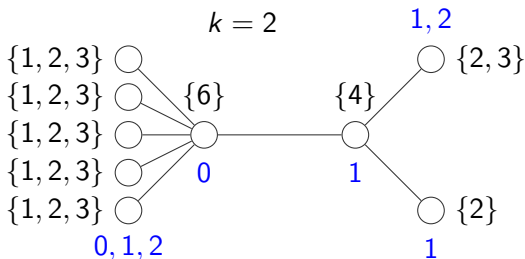
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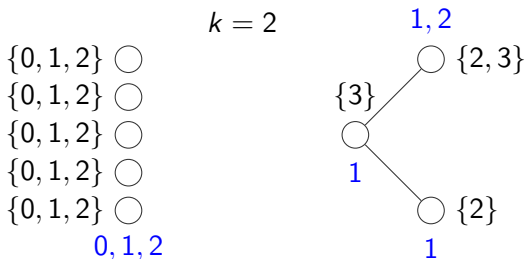
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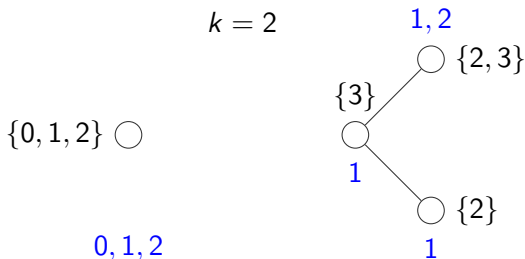
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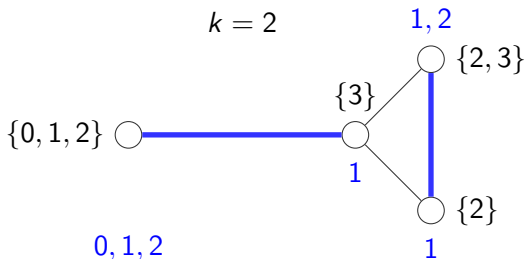
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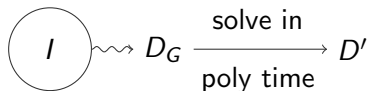


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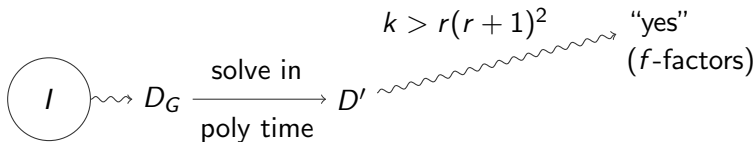


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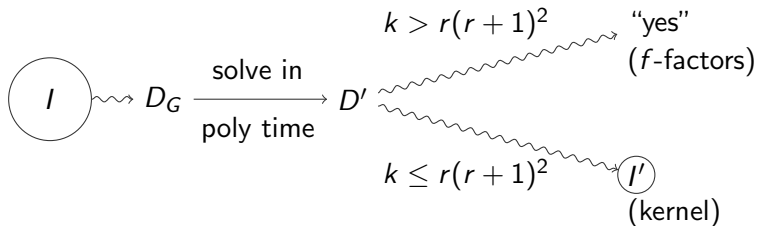


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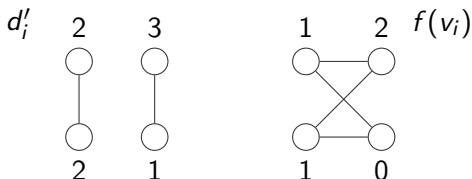
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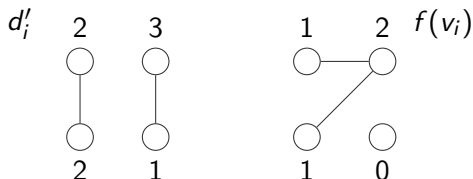
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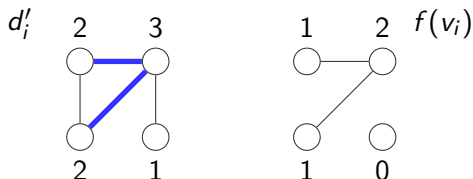
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