

Classifying numerical semigroups using polyhedral geometry

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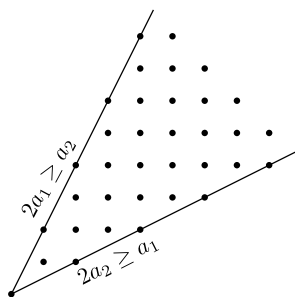
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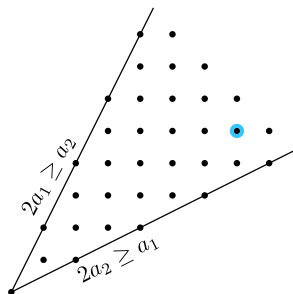
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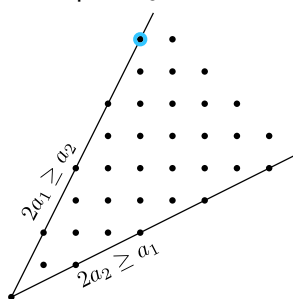
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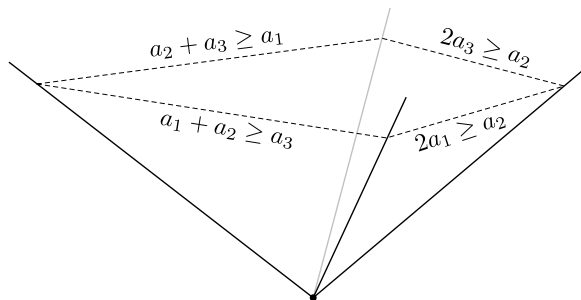
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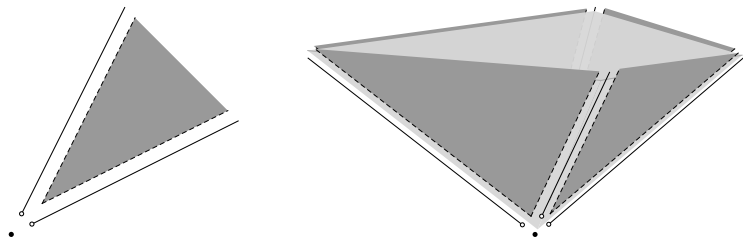
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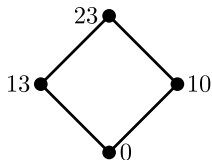
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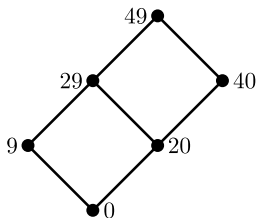
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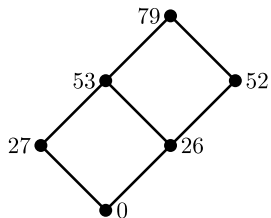
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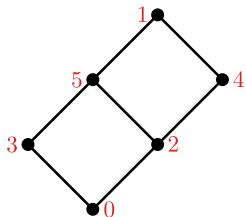
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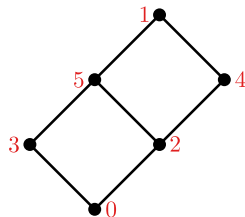
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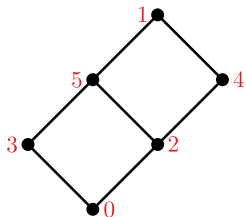
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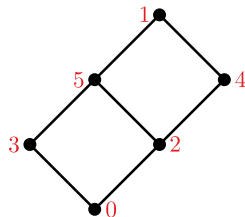
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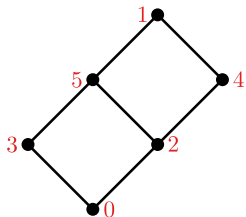
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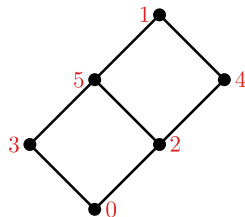
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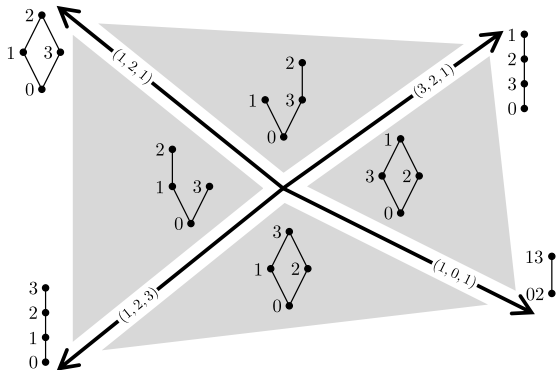
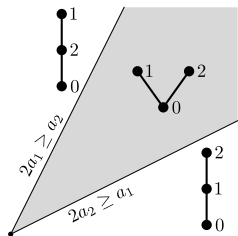


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Theorem (Bruns–García–Sánchez–O.–Wilburne)

Numerical semigroups lie in the relative interior of the same face of C_m if and only if their Kunz posets are identical.

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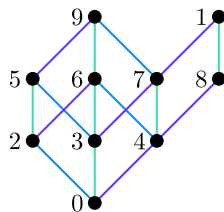
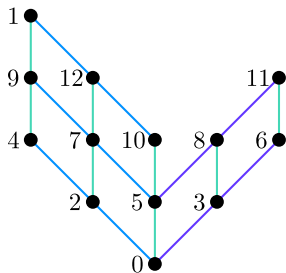
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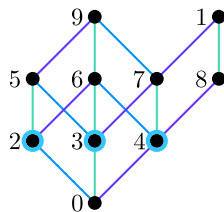
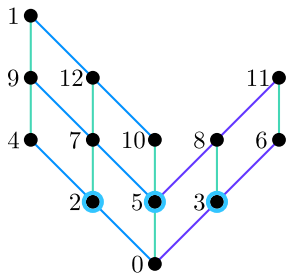
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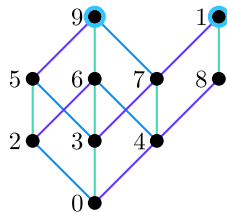
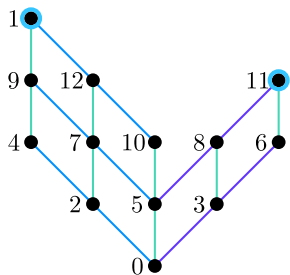
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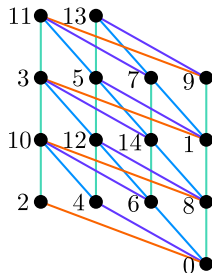
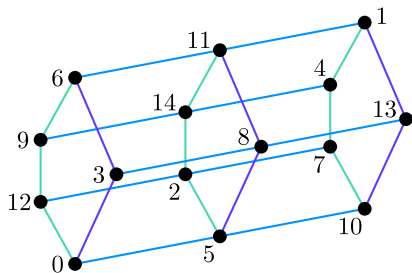
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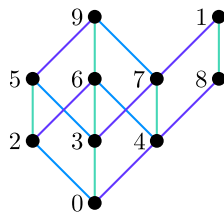
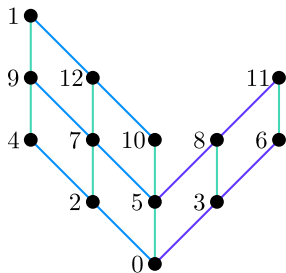
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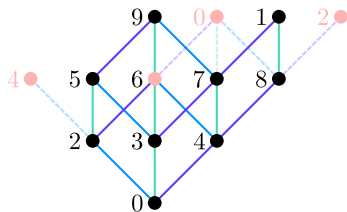
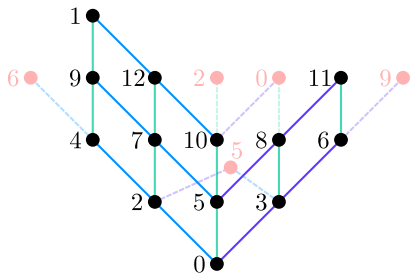
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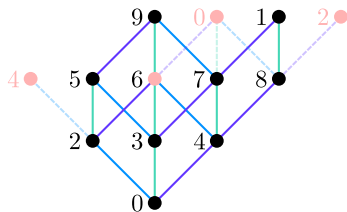
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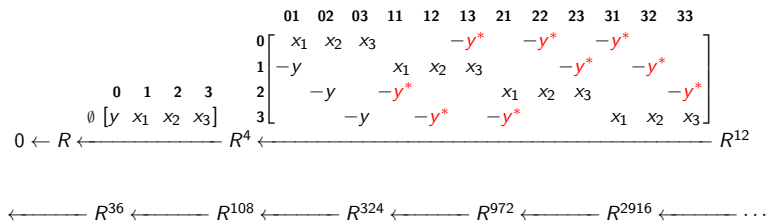
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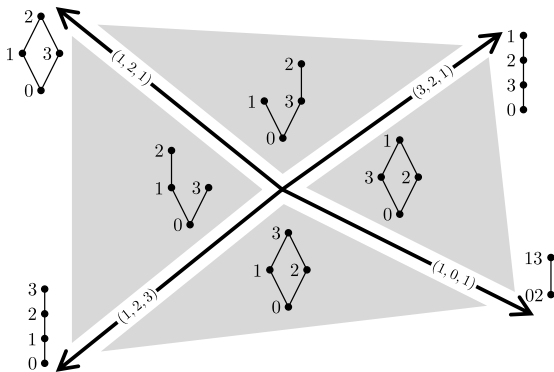
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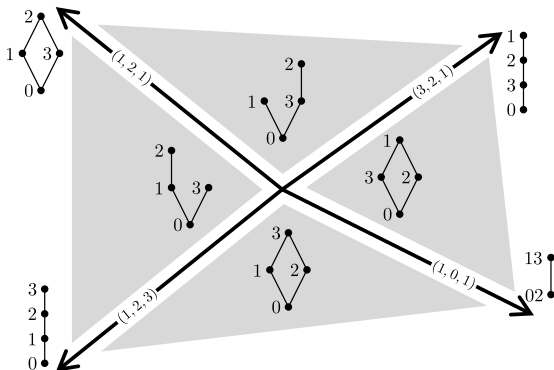
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