

# Numerical semigroups, minimal presentations, and posets

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Observations:

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Big idea: the inequalities “ $a_i + a_j \geq a_{i+j}$ ” to define a **cone**  $C_m$ .

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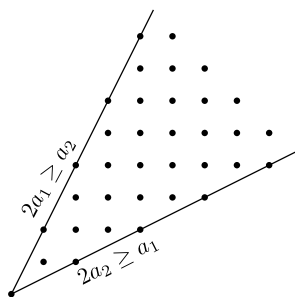
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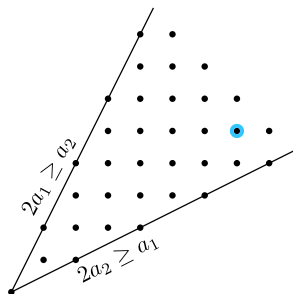
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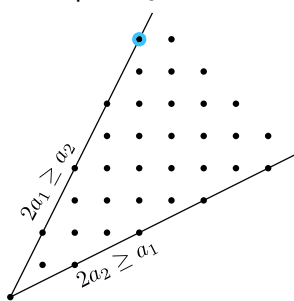
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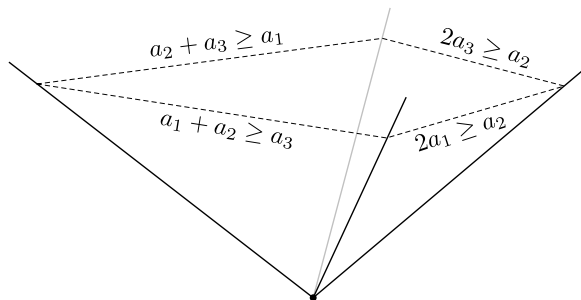
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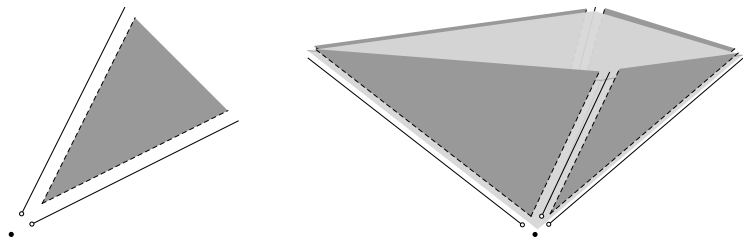
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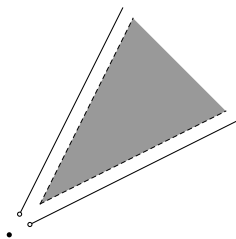
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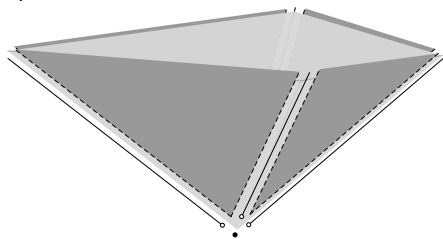
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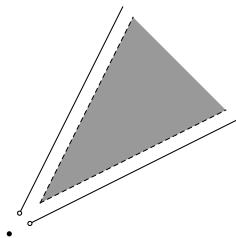


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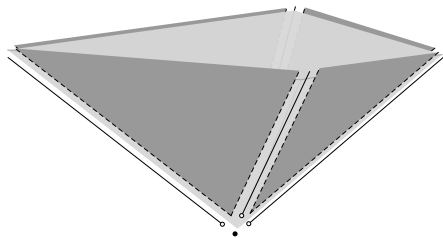
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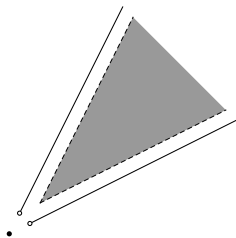
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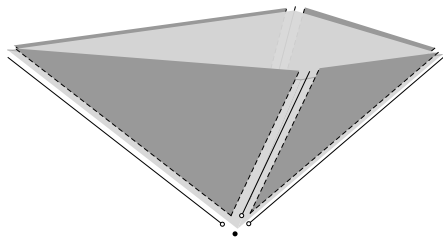
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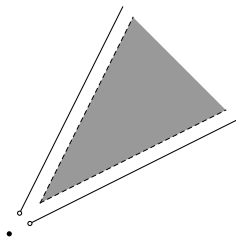
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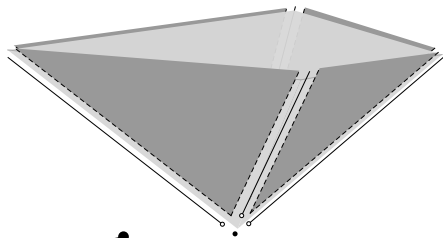
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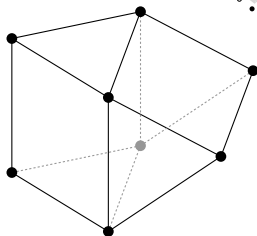
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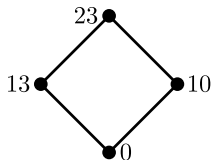
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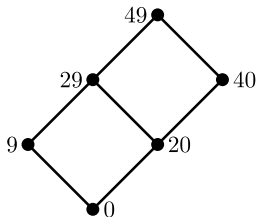
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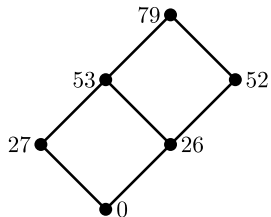
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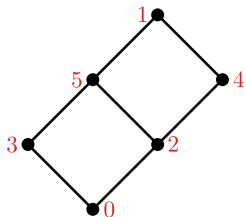
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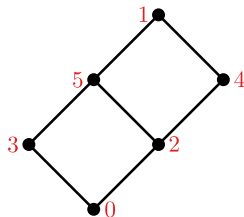
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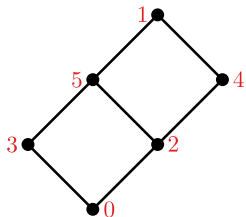
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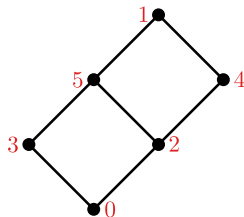
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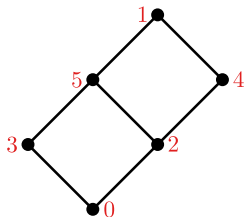
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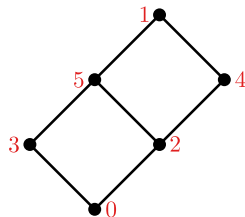
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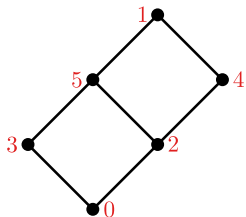
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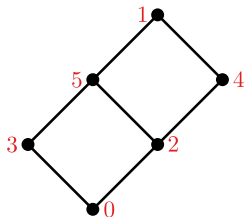
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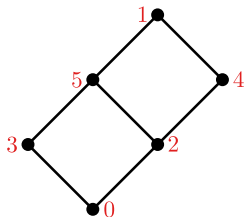
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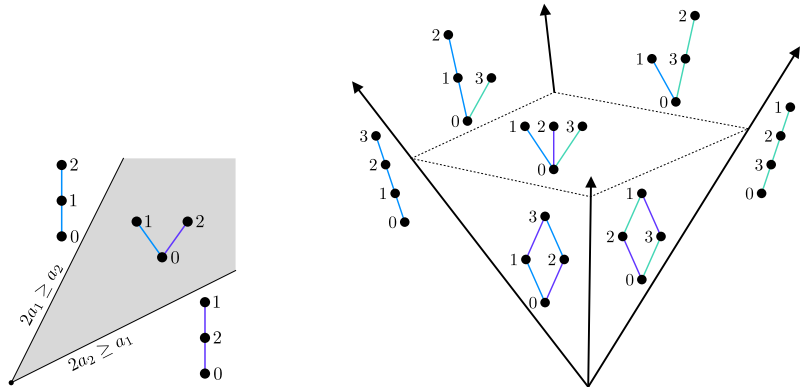
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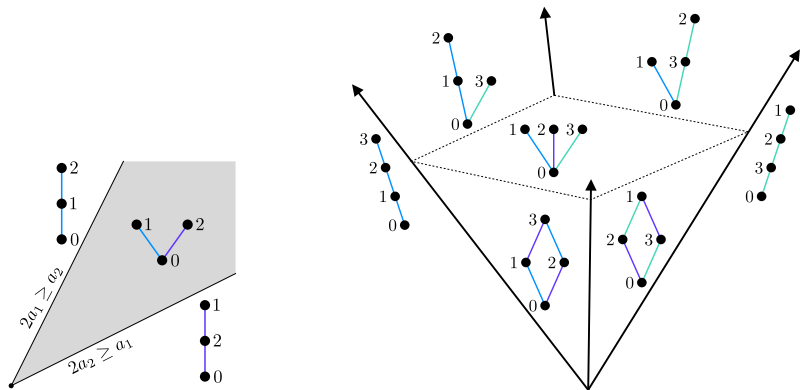
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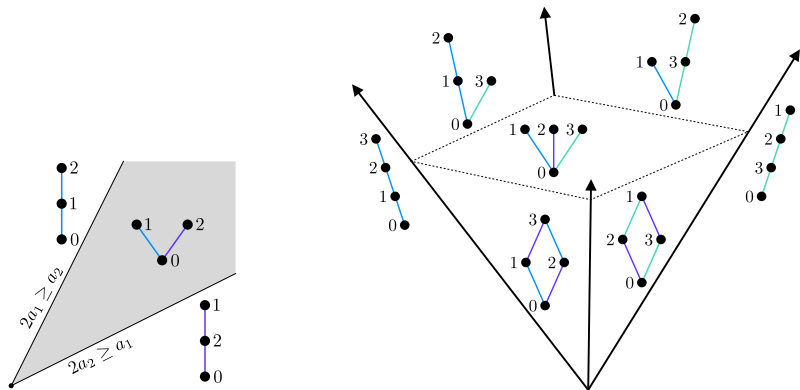


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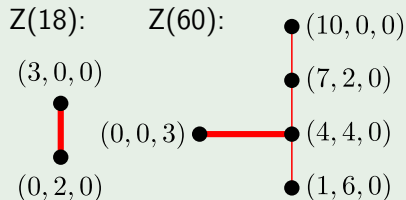
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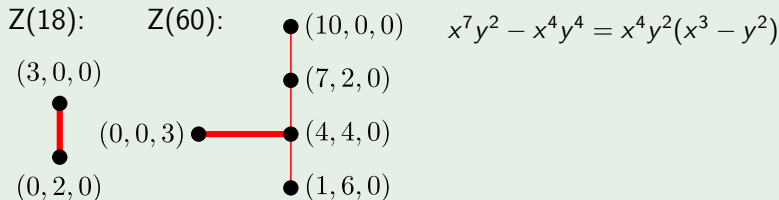
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
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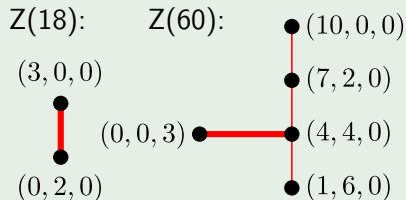
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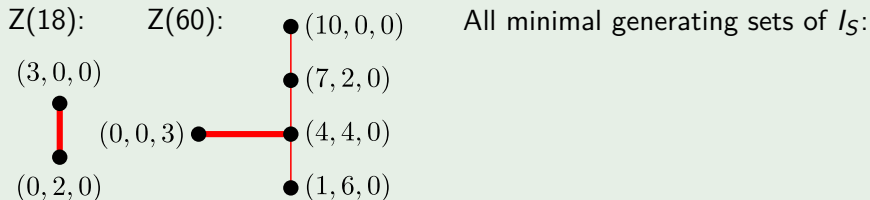
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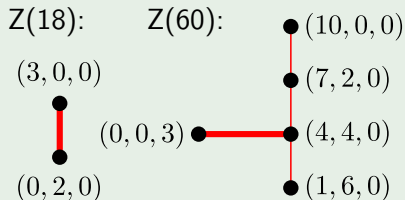
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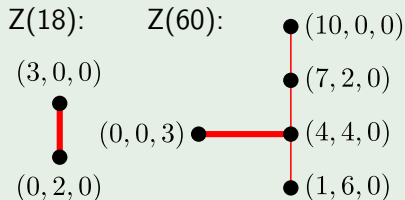
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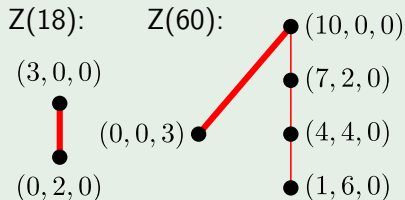
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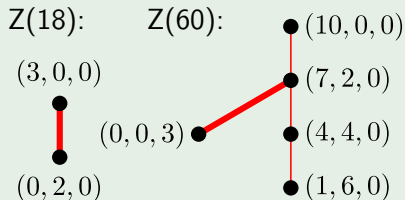
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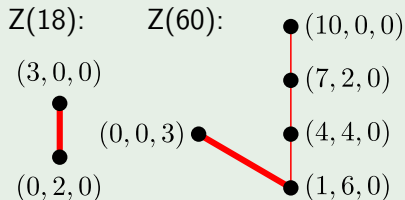
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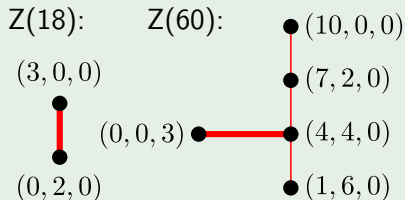
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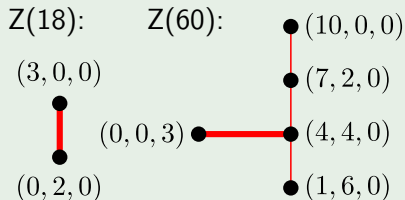
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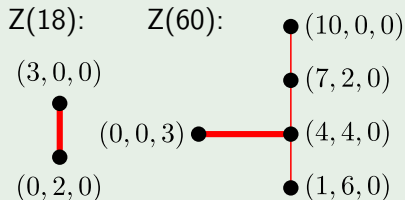
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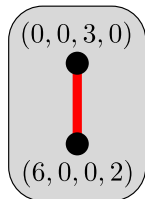
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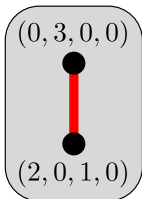
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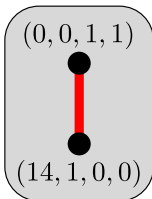
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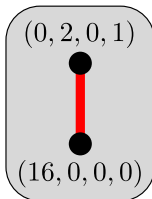
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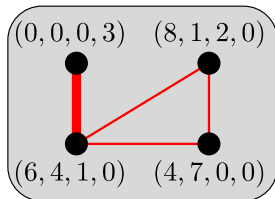
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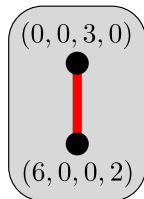
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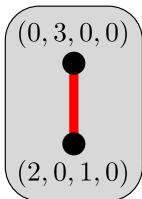
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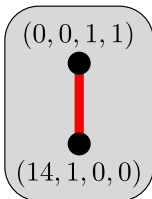
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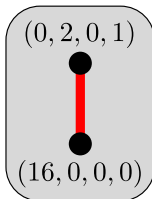
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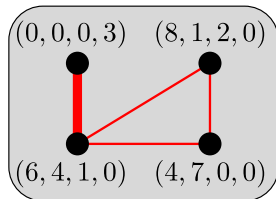
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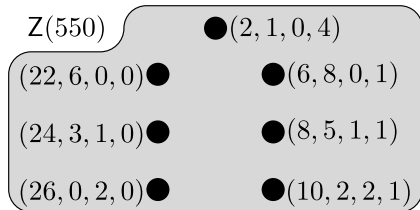
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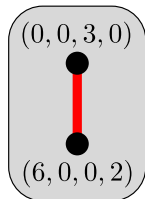


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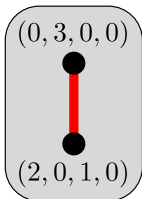
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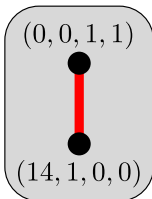
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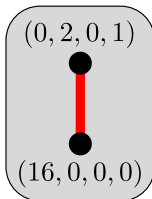
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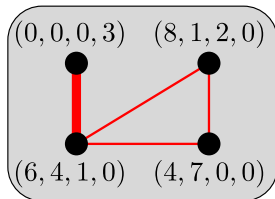
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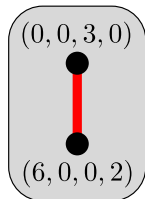
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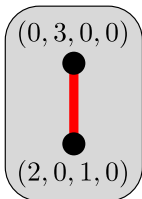
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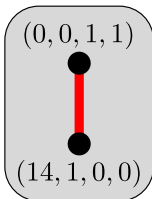
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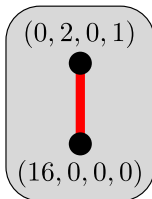
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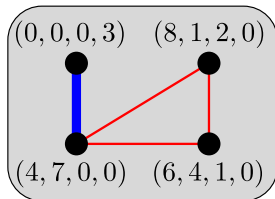
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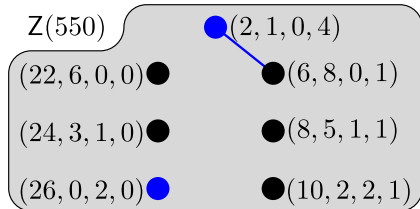
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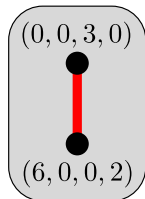


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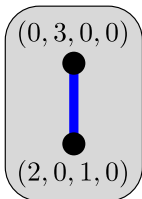
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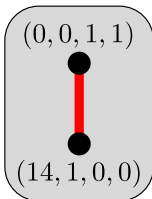
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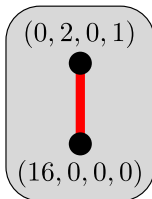
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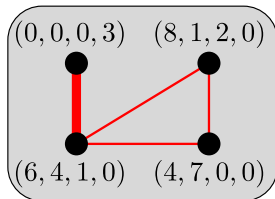
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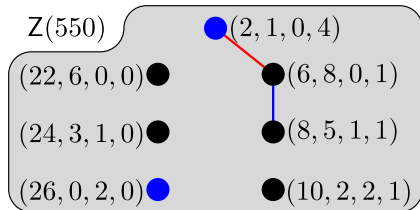
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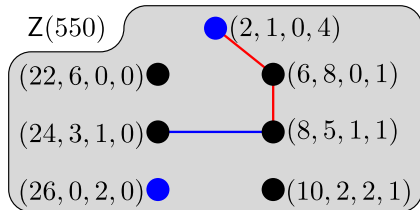
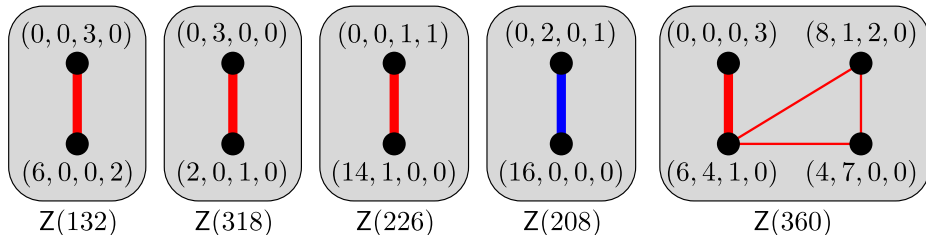


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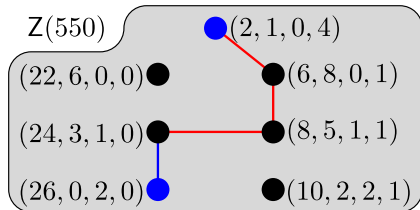
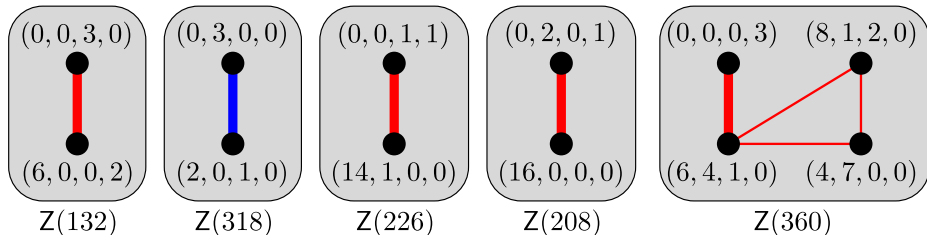


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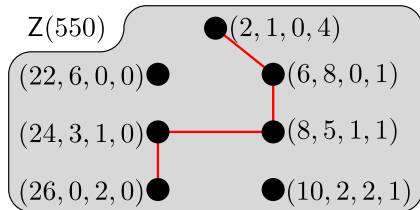
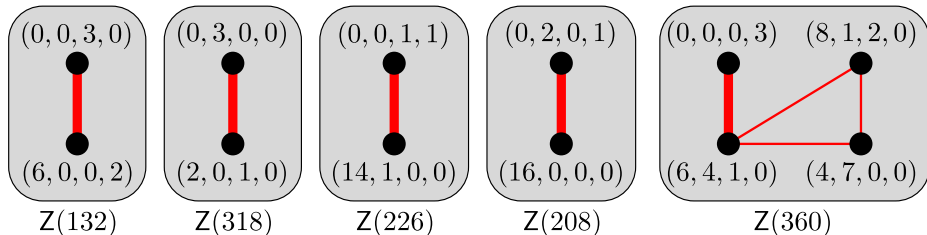


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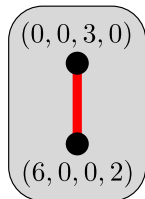


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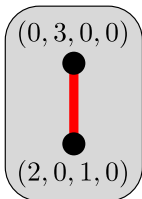
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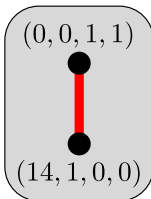
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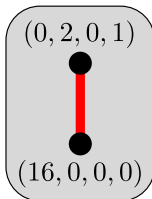
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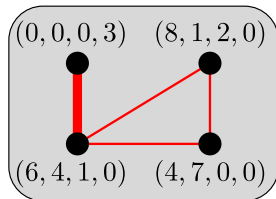
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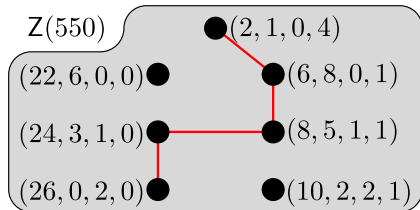
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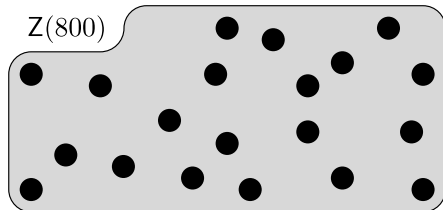
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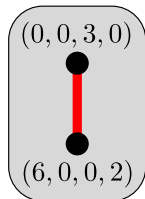
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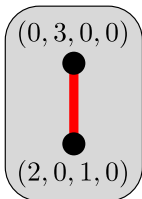
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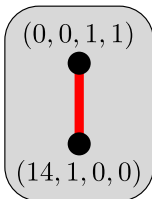
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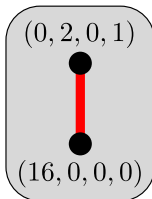
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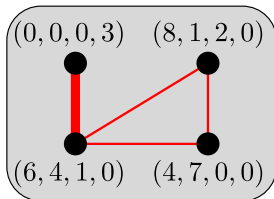
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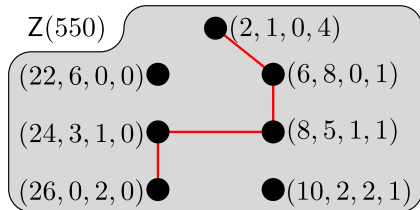
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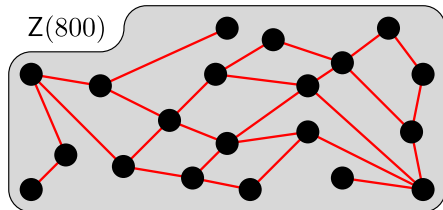
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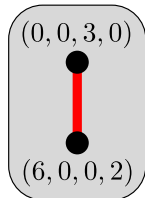
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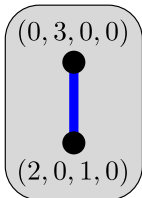
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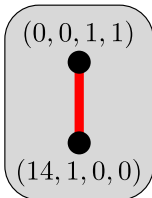
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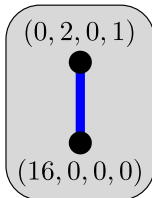
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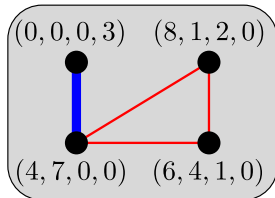
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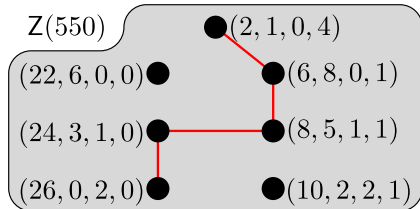
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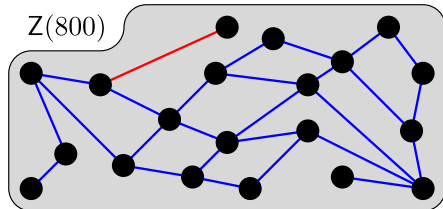
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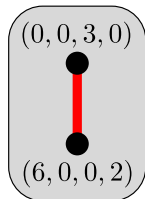
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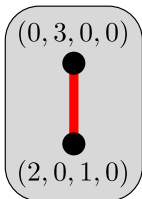
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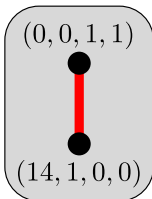
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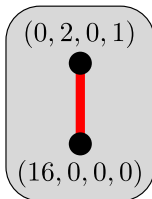
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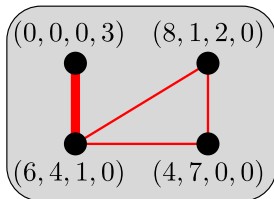
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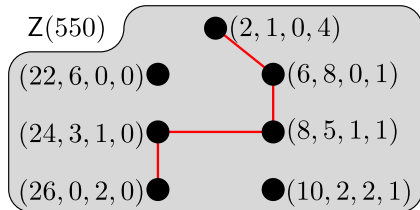
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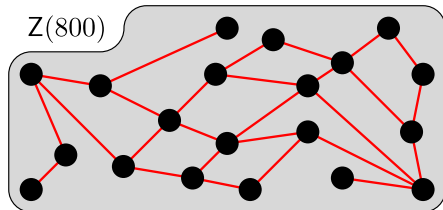
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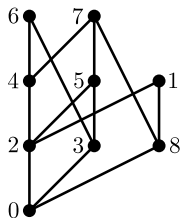
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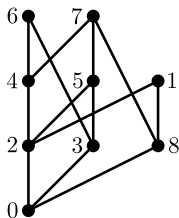


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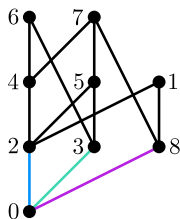
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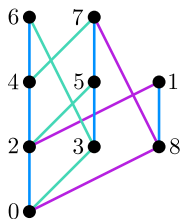
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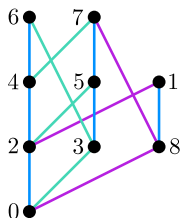
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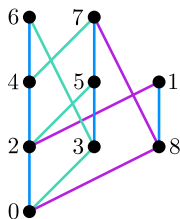
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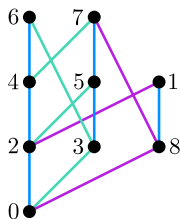
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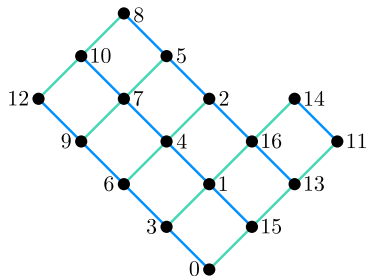
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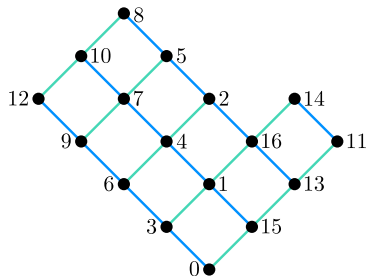
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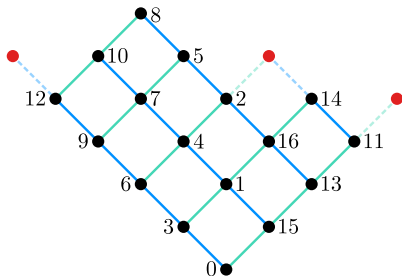
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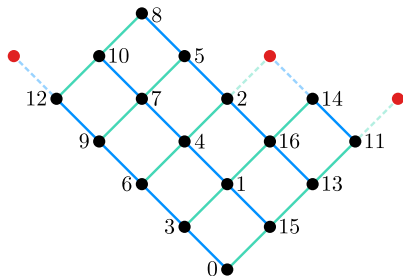


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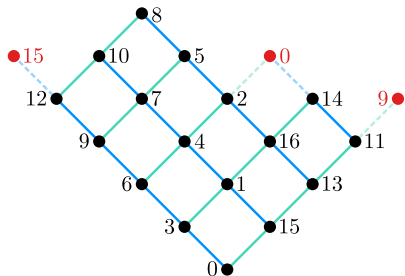
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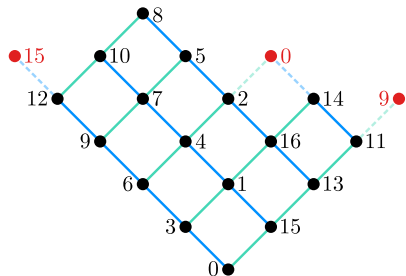
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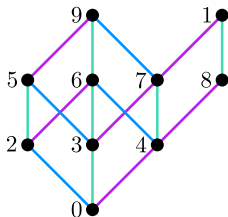
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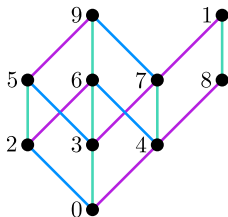


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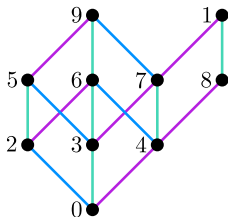
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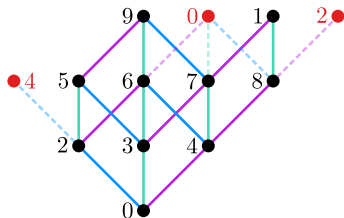
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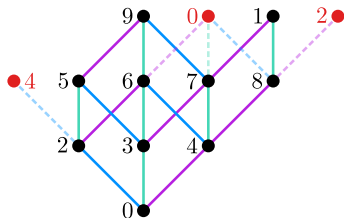
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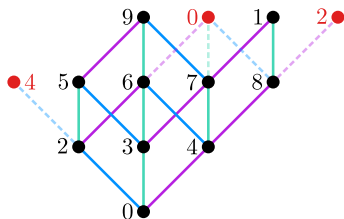
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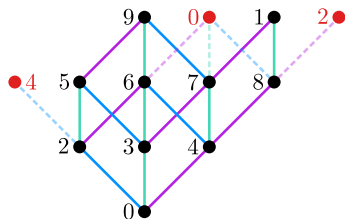
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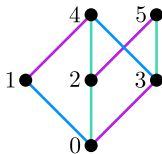
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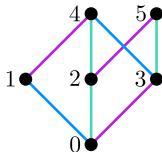
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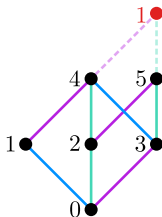


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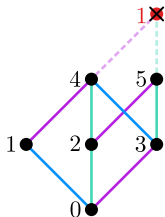
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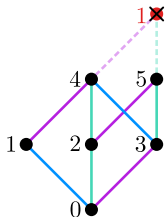
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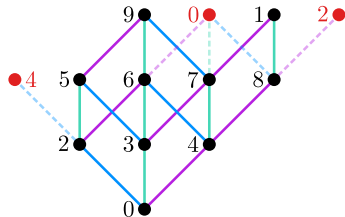
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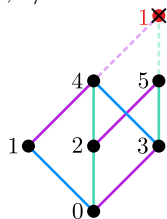
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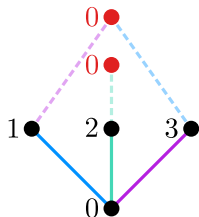
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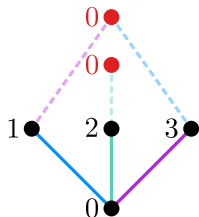
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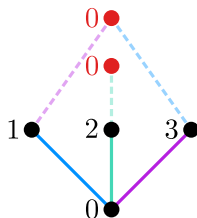
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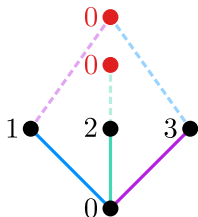
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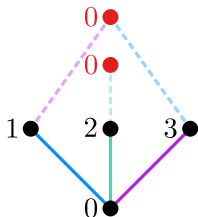
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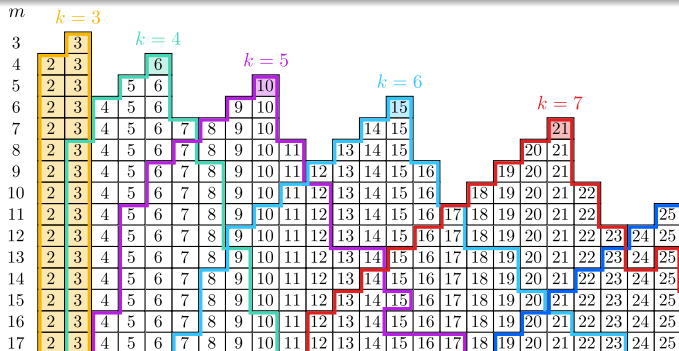




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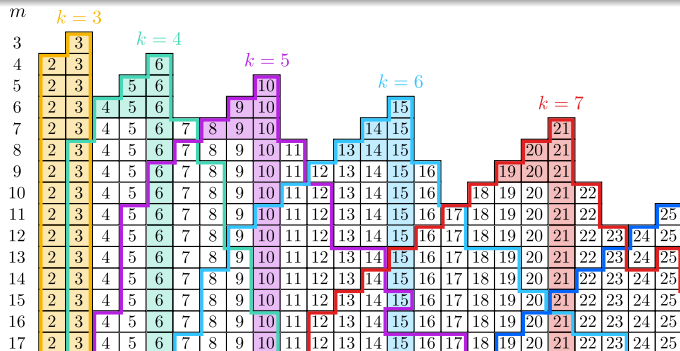


Well known:  $\beta_1(S) \leq \binom{m}{2}$ , with equality if and only if  $k = m$   
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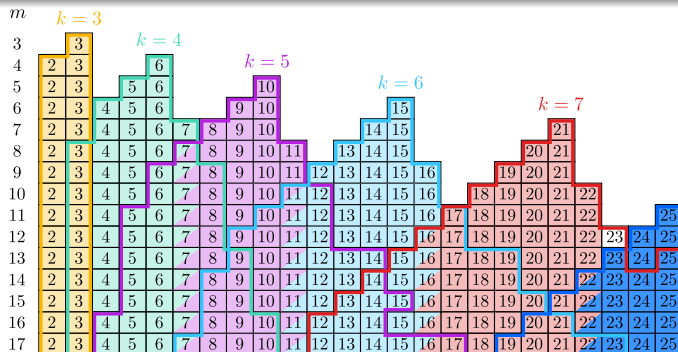
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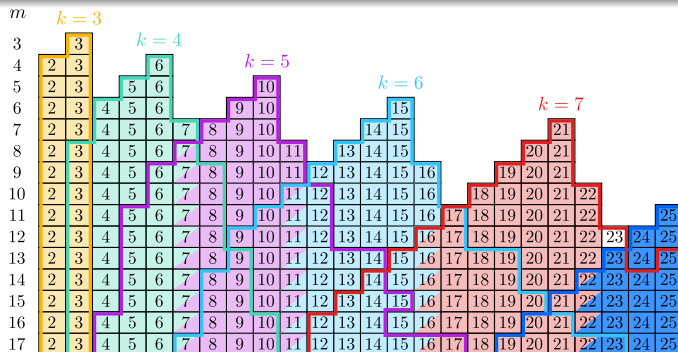
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