

On $(2k, k)$ -connected graphs

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- Results on :
 - Orientation
 - Construction
 - Splitting off
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- Concerning :
 - Edge-connectivity
 - $(4, 2)$ -connectivity
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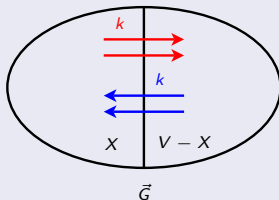
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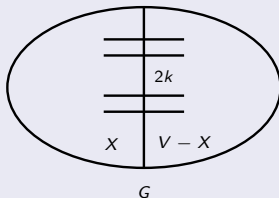
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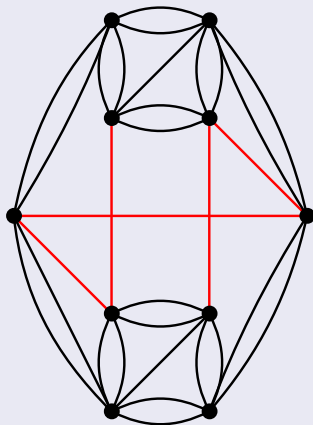
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Example of Durand de Gevigny



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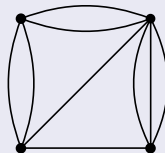
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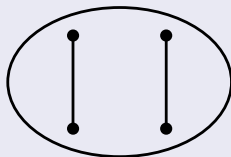
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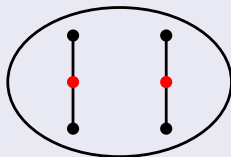
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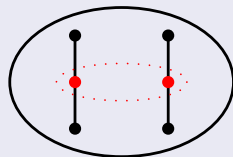
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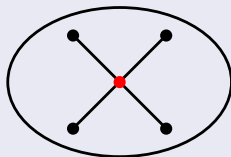
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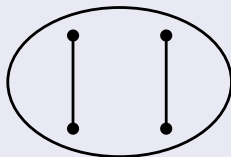
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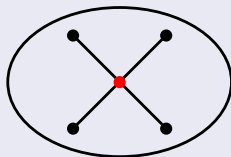
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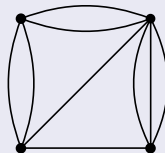
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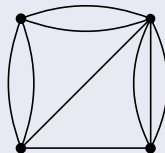
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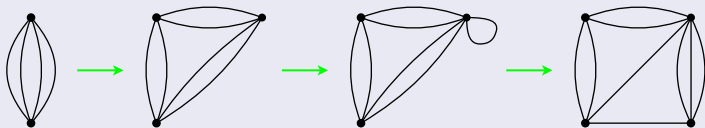
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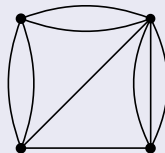
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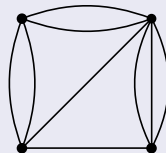
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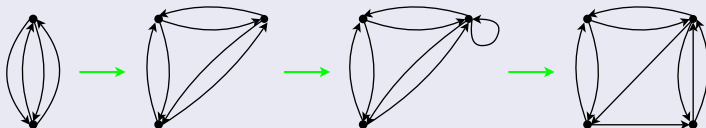
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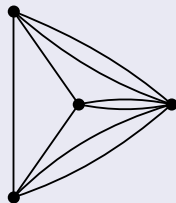
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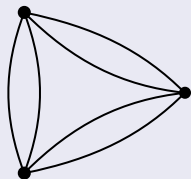
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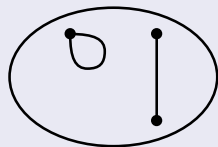
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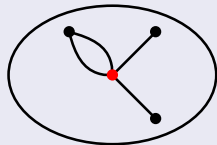
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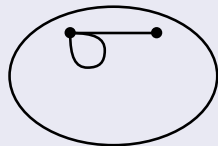
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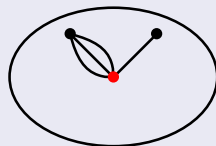
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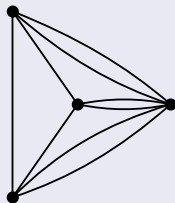
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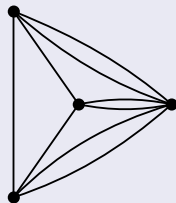
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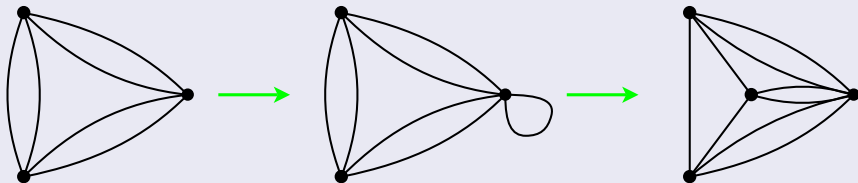
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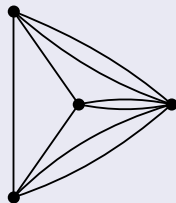
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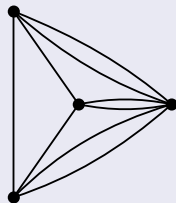
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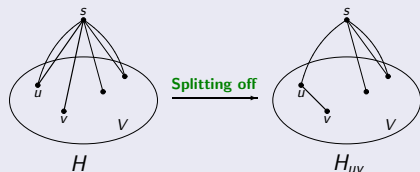


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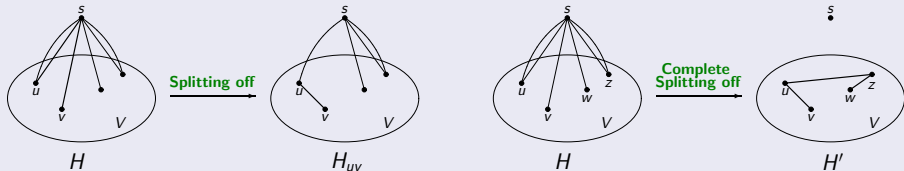
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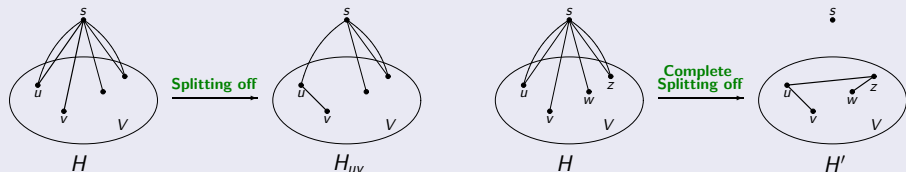
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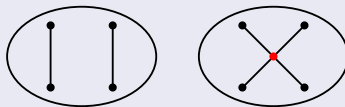
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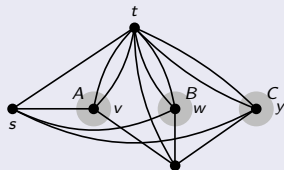
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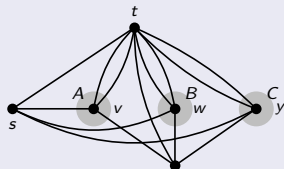
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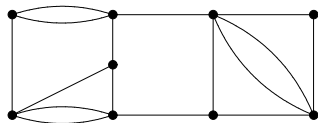
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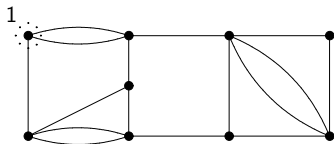
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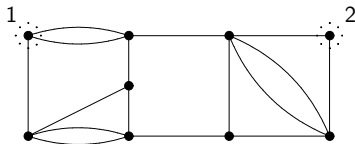
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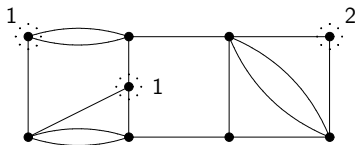
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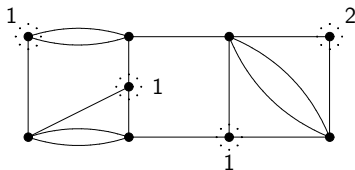
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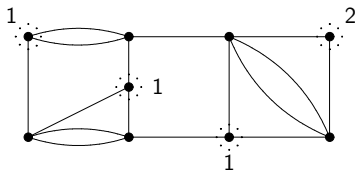
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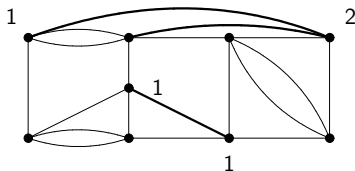
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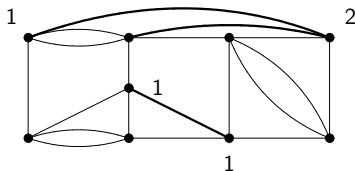
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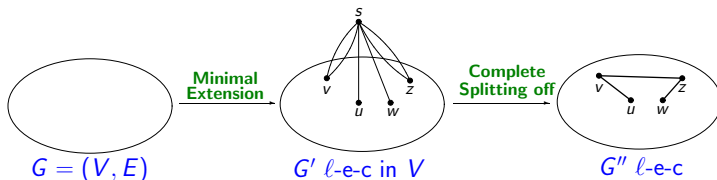


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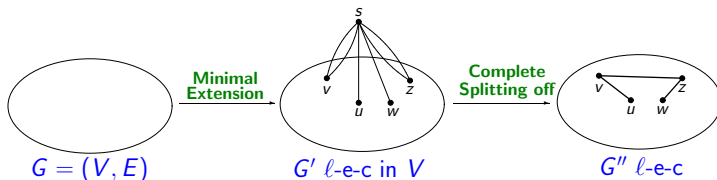
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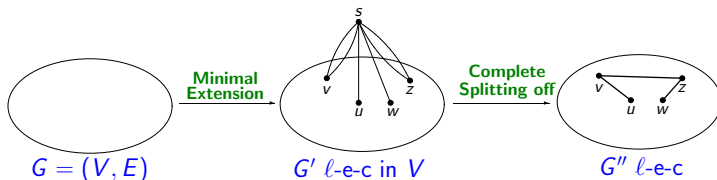
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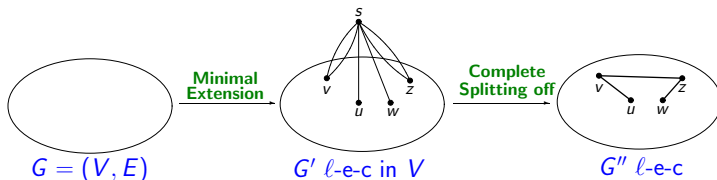
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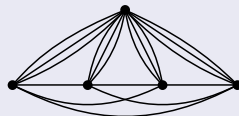
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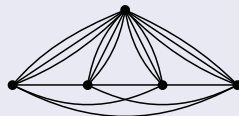
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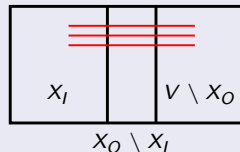


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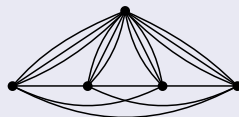
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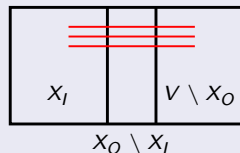


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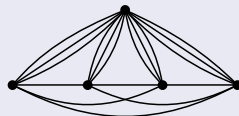
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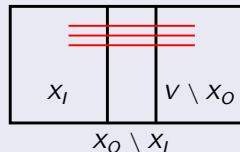


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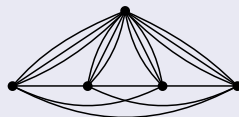
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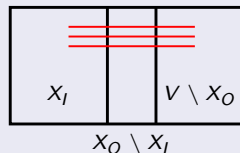


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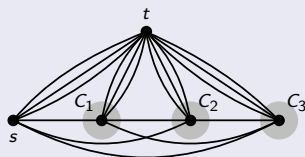
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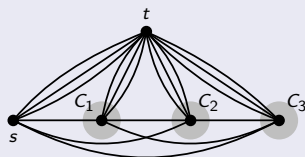
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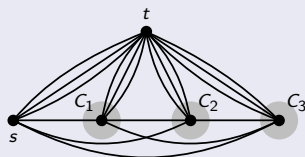
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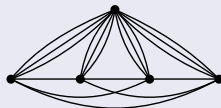
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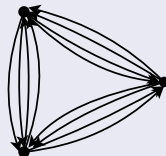
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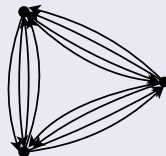
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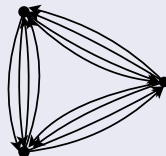
Orientation : $(2k, k)$ -connectivity

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A digraph D is called $(2k, k)$ -connected if $|V| \geq 3$,

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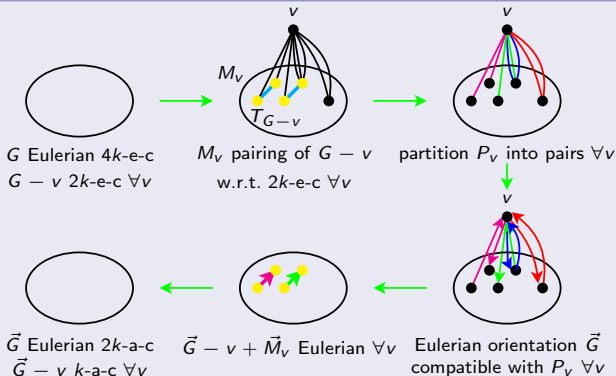
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Thank you for your attention !