

EDGE-COLORING PROBLEMS  
WITH FORBIDDEN PATTERNS AND  
PLANTED COLORS

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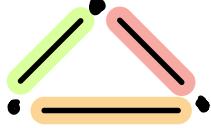
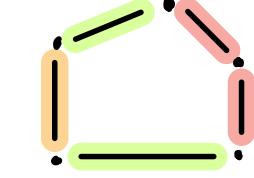
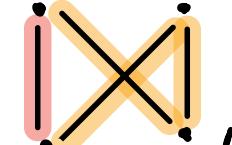
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# INTRODUCTION

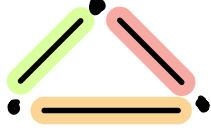
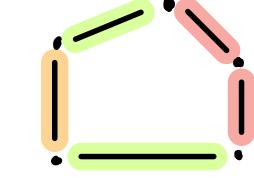
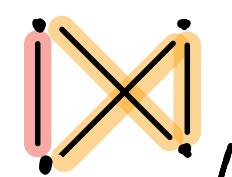
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Fix a set of colors =  $\{\text{red}, \text{green}, \text{orange}\}$

Fix  $F = \{\text{triangle, pentagon, complete graph with 4 vertices, ...}\}$

INPUT: A GRAPH  $G$

TASK:  $\exists \xi : E(G) \rightarrow \text{colors}$  such that

$\forall (F, \chi) \in F \quad (F, \chi) \rightarrow (G, \xi) ?$

HOMOMORPHISM

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FIX A SET OF COLORS =  $\{\text{red}, \text{green}, \text{blue}\}$

Fix  $\mathcal{F} = \{ \text{triangle}, \text{pentagon}, \text{hexagon}, \dots \}$

INPUT: A GRAPH  $G$

TASK:  $\exists \xi : E(G) \rightarrow \text{colors}$  SUCH THAT

$\forall (F, \chi) \in \mathcal{F} \quad (F, \chi) \xrightarrow{\text{HOMOMORPHISM}} (G, \xi) ?$

WE INDICATE SUCH PROBLEM  $\text{Col}(\mathcal{F})$

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## EXAMPLE

$$F = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{triangle with edges:} \\ \text{top edge: green, left edge: green, bottom edge: green} \\ \text{triangle with edges:} \\ \text{top edge: red, left edge: red, bottom edge: red} \end{array} \right\}$$

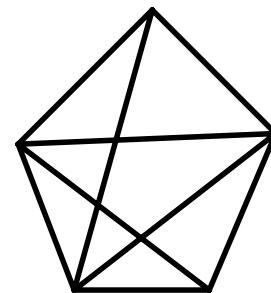
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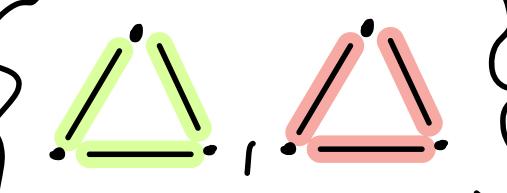
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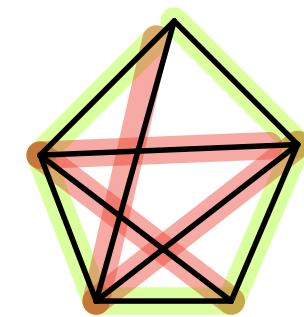
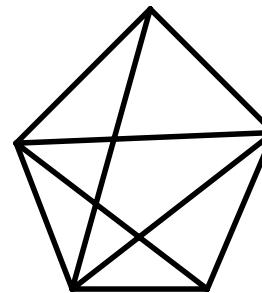
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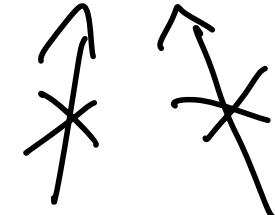
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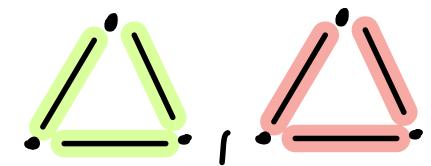
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YES



$$\text{triangle}_1, \text{triangle}_2$$


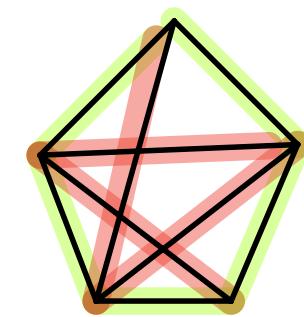
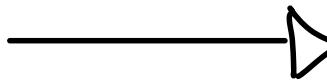
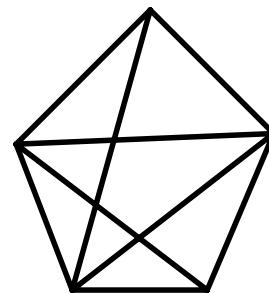
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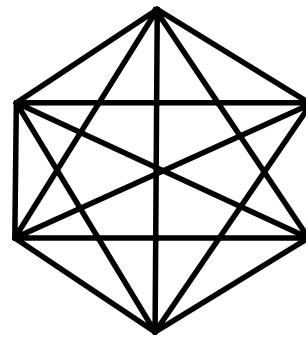
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YES

$$K_6 =$$



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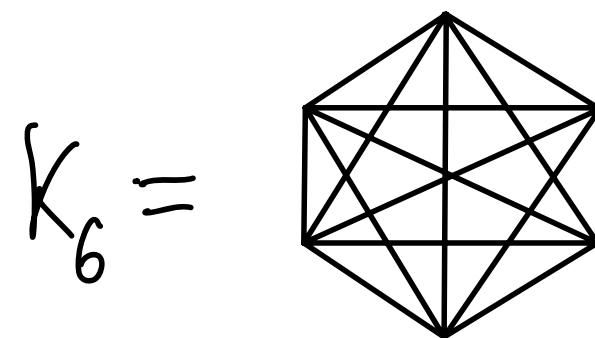
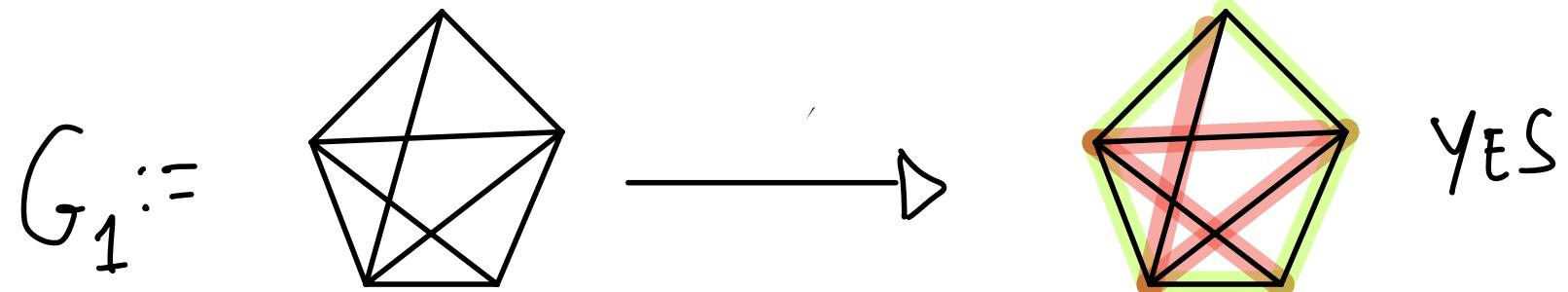
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## EXAMPLE

$$F = \{ \text{triangle with green edges}, \text{triangle with red edges} \}$$

THIS PROBLEM  
IS NP-HARD

INPUT:



NO: THE  
RAMSEY NUMBER  
OF (3,3) IS 6

# OVERVIEW

## BIG GOAL:

UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEXITY OF  $\text{Col}(\tilde{F})$  FOR ALL  $\tilde{F}$

## MAIN QUEST:

- PRESENT A STRATEGY INSPIRED BY THE ONE THAT CHARACTERIZED VERTEX COLORING PROBLEMS
- UNDERSTAND ON WHAT IT NEEDS TO WORK

## SIDE QUEST:

- CAN IT SOLVE

$$\tilde{F} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{triangle} \\ \text{triangle} \\ \text{square} \end{array} \right\} ?$$

# OVERVIEW

## PART I : THE STRATEGY

\* PRESENT THE STRATEGY

\* WHAT DOES IT RELY ON?

## PART II: WHEN DOES THE STRATEGY WORK?

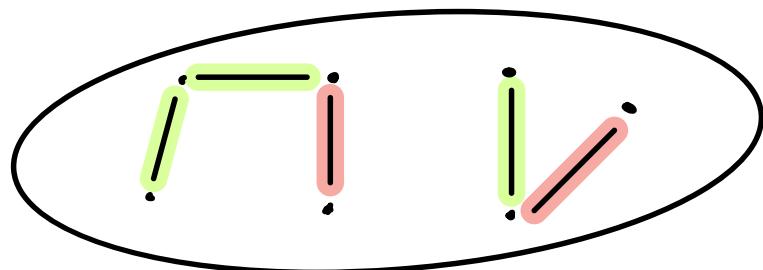
\* PRESENT A CLASS OF PROBLEM WHERE IT DOES NOT WORK

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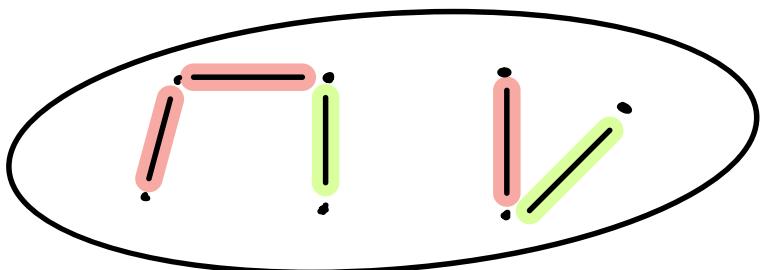
# CONVENTIONS

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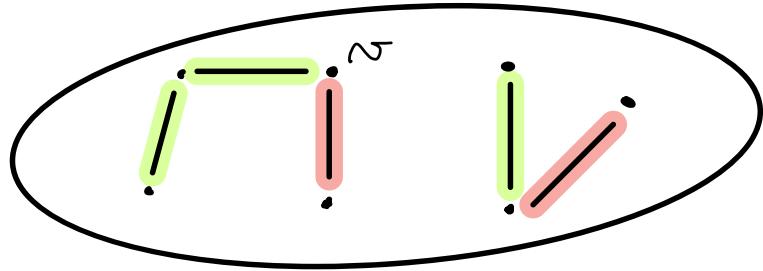
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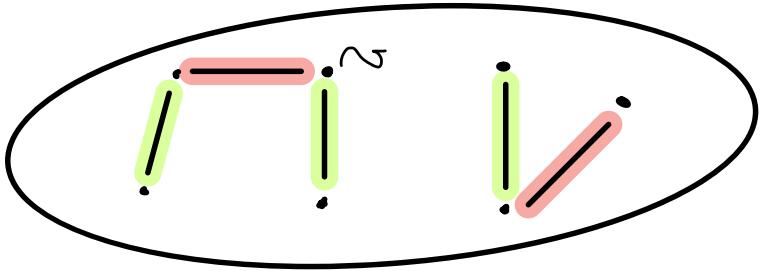
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3. LOCAL FLIPPING ON A VERTEX  $n$



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## INTRODUCTION - EXTENSION PROBLEM

Fix a set of colors =  $\{\bullet, \bullet, \bullet\}$

Fix  $F = \{\bullet, \bullet, \bullet\}$

INPUT: A PARTIALLY COLORED GRAPH  $(G, \alpha)$

TASK:  $\exists \xi : E(G) \rightarrow \text{colors}$  SUCH THAT

\*  $\xi$  EXTENDS  $\alpha$  AND

\*  $\forall (F, \chi) \in F \quad (F, \chi) \xrightarrow{\text{HOMOMORPHISM}} (G, \xi)$  ?

WE INDICATE SUCH PROBLEM  $\text{Ext}(F)$

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## EXAMPLE

$$\tilde{F} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{green triangle} \\ \text{red triangle} \end{array} \right\}$$

INPUT:

$$(G, \alpha = \emptyset) := \begin{array}{c} \text{pentagon with diagonals} \\ \text{?} \end{array}$$

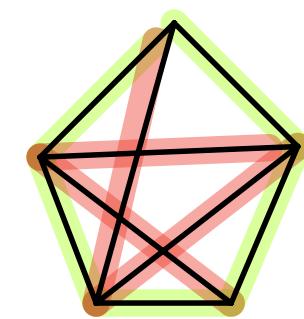
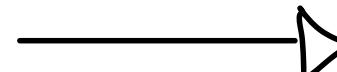
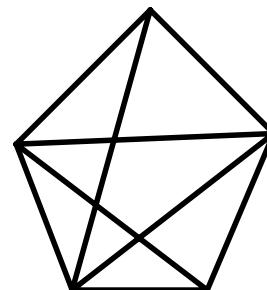
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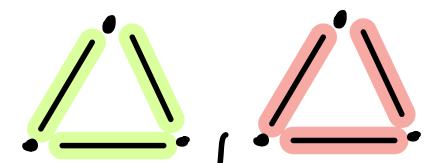
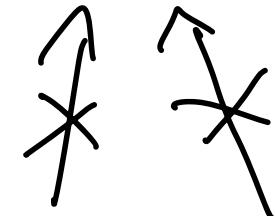
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YES



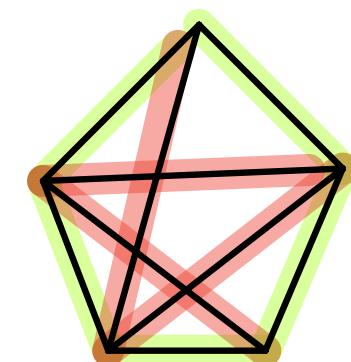
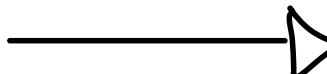
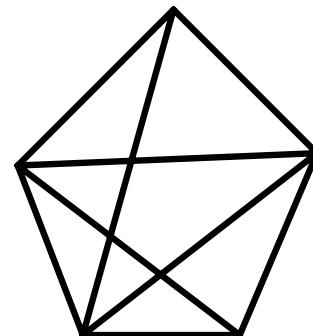
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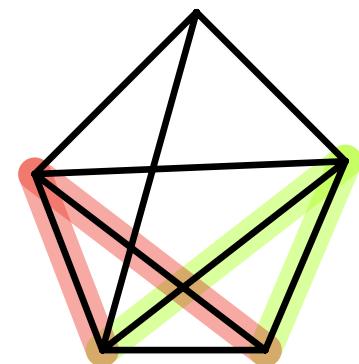
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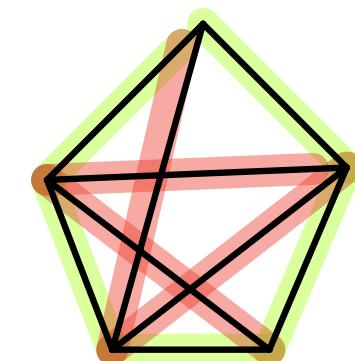
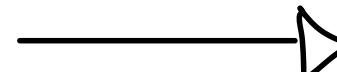
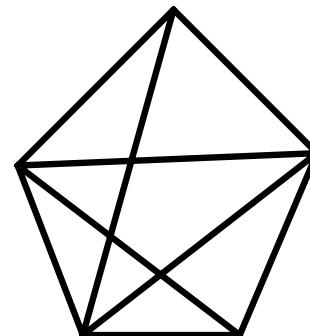
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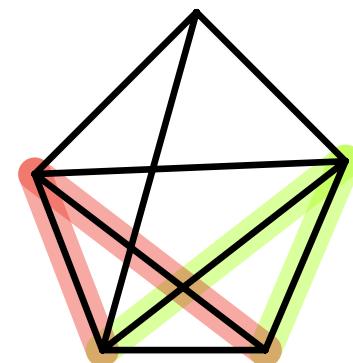
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NO: THE  
BOTTOM EDGE

## INTRODUCTION - CSP

FIX A SIGNATURE  $\sigma$

FIX A RELATIONAL STRUCTURE  $F$

INPUT: A STRUCTURE  $G$  IN THE SAME SIGNATURE

TASK:  $\exists h: G \xrightarrow{\text{HOMOMORPHISM}} F$  ? WE INDICATE IT  $CSP(F)$

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GIVEN  $F$  WE DEFINE

- $G_F = (\text{COLORS}, (R_F)_{(F, x) \in F}, ((i)_i)_{i \in \text{COLORS}})$
- $R_F$  IS  $|E(F)|$ -ARY AND CONTAINS THE VALID COLORING OF  $F$ .
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## INTRODUCTION - FINITE CSP

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EXAMPLE  $F = \{\triangle, \triangle, \times\}$

$$G_F = (\{\bullet, \circ\}, R_{K_3}, R_{K_3}, C_\bullet, C_\circ) \quad R_{K_3} = \{\bullet, \circ\}^3 - \{(\bullet, \bullet, \bullet), (\circ, \circ, \circ)\}$$

$$R_{K_3} = \emptyset \quad C_\bullet = \{\bullet\} \quad C_\circ = \{\circ\}$$

## INTRODUCTION - FINITE CSP

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## PROPOSITION

$$\text{Ext}(\tilde{F}) \leq_p \text{CSP}(G_{\tilde{F}})$$

## PART I

## THE STRATEGY

## WHAT'S THE STRATEGY?

GROUND IDEA: LIFT THE CHARACTERIZATION FOR FINITE DOMAIN CSP.

GOAL:  $\text{Col}(F) \approx_p \text{CSP}(G_F)$

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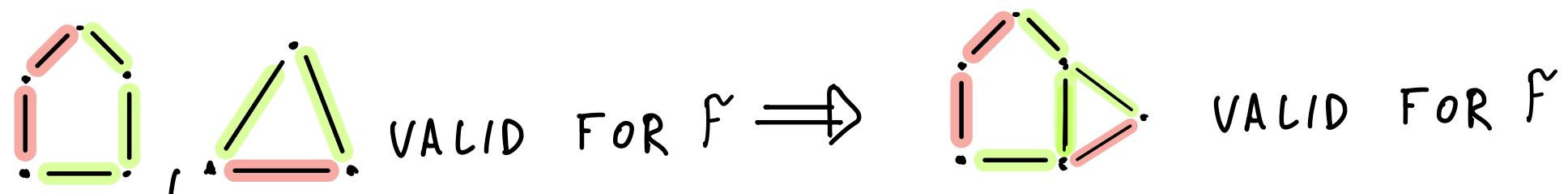
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GOAL:  $\text{Col}(\tilde{F}) \approx_p \text{CSP}(G_{\tilde{F}})$

## ASSUMPTION

WE CONSIDER TO WORK WITH A SET  $\tilde{F}$  SUCH THAT THE SET OF COLORED GRAPHS WHICH ARE VALID FOR  $\tilde{F}$  IS CLOSED UNDER EDGE-AMALGAMATION

## EXAMPLE



## LEMMA

FOR EVERY FINITE SET OF COLORED GRAPHS  $\tilde{F}$  THERE EXISTS  $\tilde{F}'$  SUCH THAT

1.  $\text{Col}(\tilde{F})$  IS EQUIVALENT TO  $\text{Col}(\tilde{F}')$
2.  $\tilde{F}'$  HAS EDGE-AMALGAMATION

## STEP 1

INFINITE - DOMAIN CSP

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WHAT DOES "NICE" MEAN?

(\* IT BELONGS TO THE SCOPE OF THE BODIRSKY - PINSKER  
CONJECTURE FOR INFINITE-DOMAIN CSP)

\* MORE IMPORTANTLY: THIS STRUCTURE CAN BE EXPANDED WITH  
CONSTANTS WITHOUT INCREASING THE COMPLEXITY

## STEP 2

COLOR DETERMINERS

STEP 2

GOAL:  $CSP(H_F) \geq_p \text{Ext}(\tilde{F})$

OBSERVATION

$$\text{Col}(F) \neq \text{Ext}(\tilde{F})$$

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INPUT

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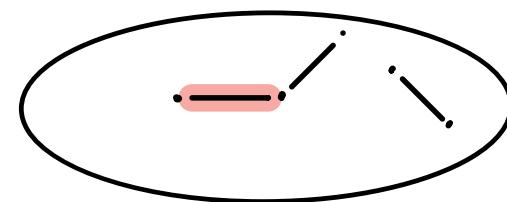
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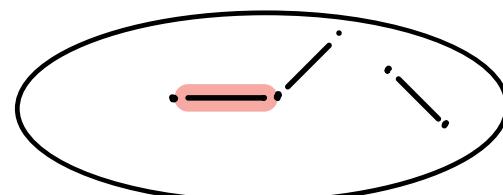
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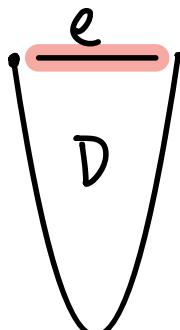
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WITH  $e \in E(D)$  SUCH THAT

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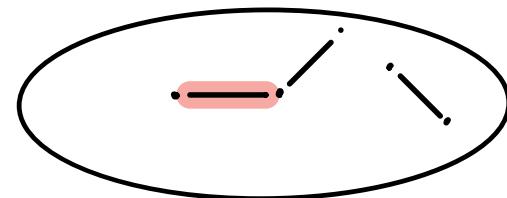
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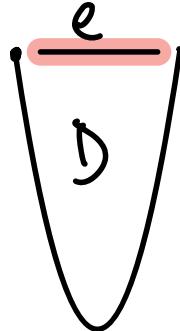
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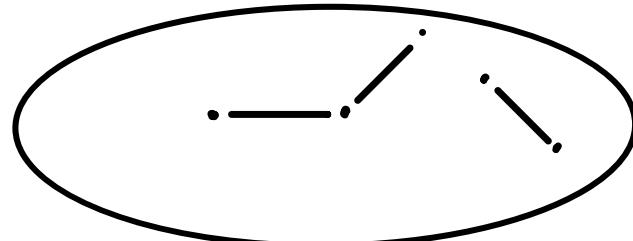
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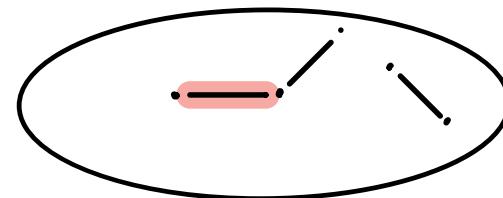


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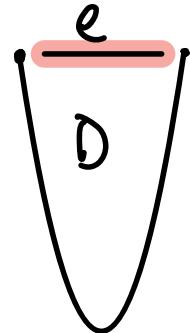
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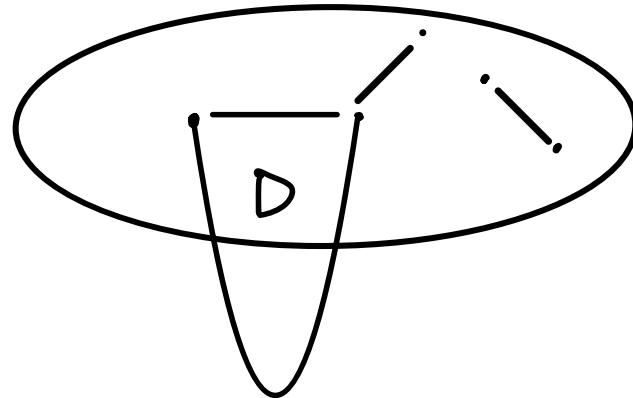


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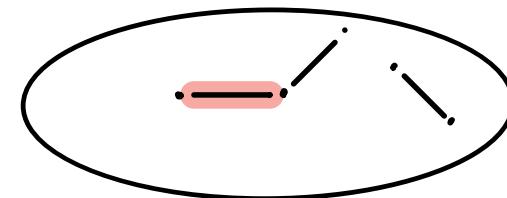


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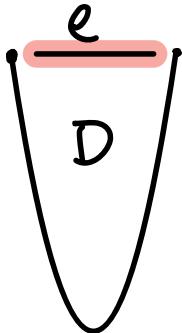
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$\forall \chi: E(D) \rightarrow \text{COLORS}$



$\chi$  is valid  $\Rightarrow \chi(e) = \bullet$

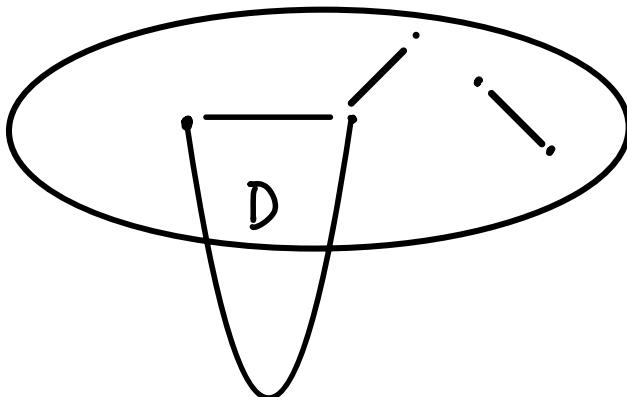
### PROPOSITION

$(H, \alpha)$  is a YES INSTANCE FOR  $\text{Ext}(F)$

IFF

$H'$  is a YES INSTANCE FOR  $\text{Col}(F)$

$H' :=$

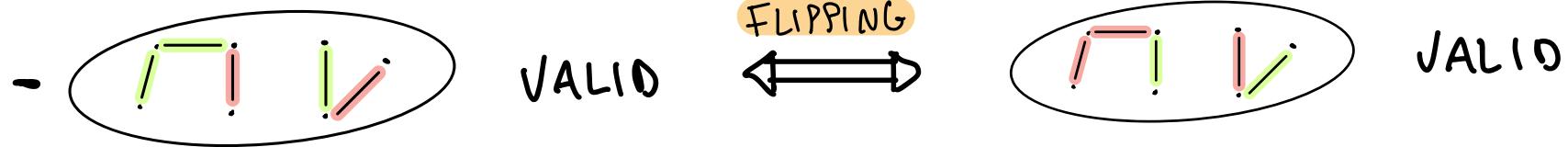


STEP 2 GOAL:  $CSP(H_F) \geq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

BAD NEWS THESE GADGETS DO NOT EXIST OFTEN, NOT EVEN FOR  
OUR SIDE QUEST

### PROPOSITION

IF  $F$  IS CLOSED UNDER FLIPPING THEN

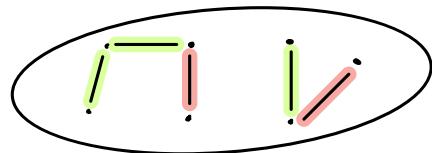
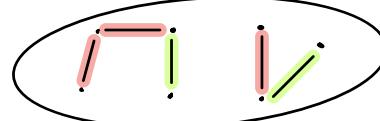


- WE DO NOT HAVE THESE GADGETS

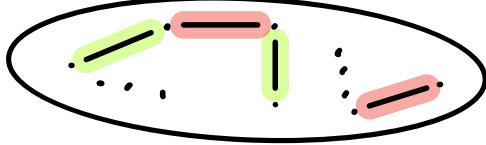
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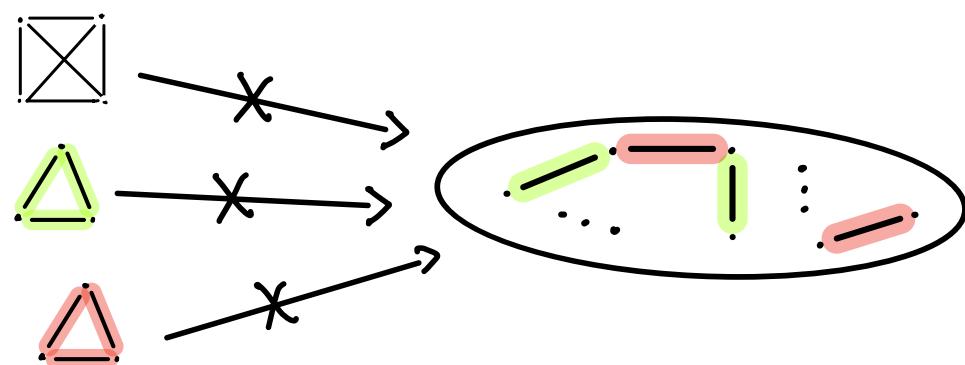
PROPOSITION

IF  $\tilde{F}$  IS CLOSED UNDER FLIPPING THEN

-  VALID  $\xleftrightarrow{\text{FLIPPING}}$   VALID
- WE DO NOT HAVE THESE GADGETS

EXAMPLE  $\tilde{F} = \{\triangle, \square, \times\}$

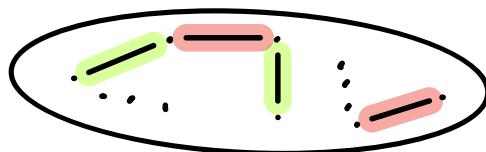
$(G, x)$   IS VALID  $\Leftrightarrow$



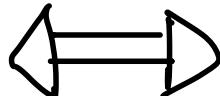
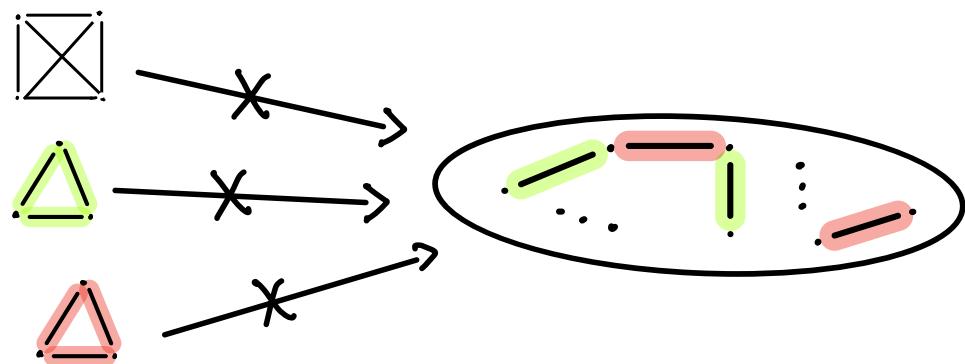
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EXAMPLE  $\mathcal{F} = \{\triangle^{\text{green}}, \triangle^{\text{red}}, \square^{\text{black}}\}$

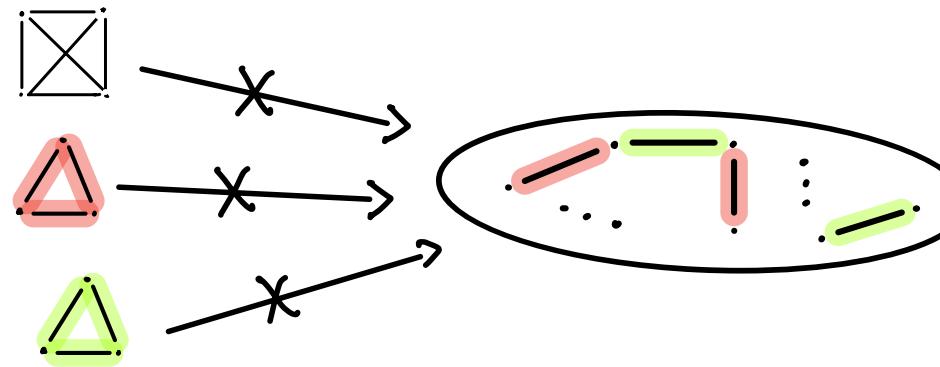
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IS VALID



FLIPPING



DBSERTION

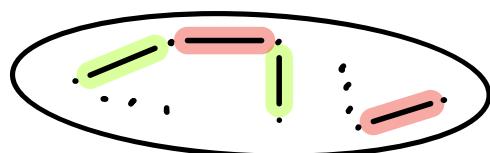
FLIPPING THE COLORS  
CANNOT GENERATE  
A MONOCHROMATIC  
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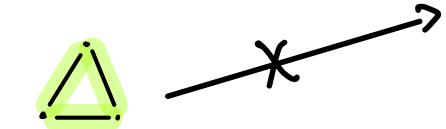
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IS VALID



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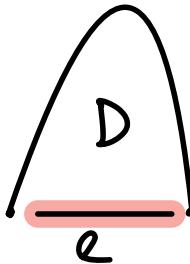


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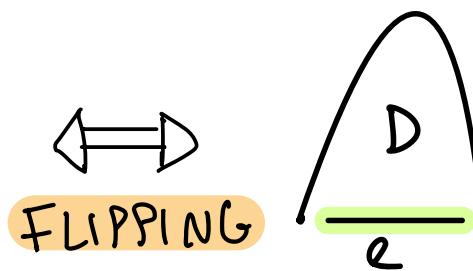
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 $K_3$  OR A  $K_4$

IN PARTICULAR

$(D, \xi) :=$



VALID



VALID

HENCE THE DESIRED GADGET DOES NOT EXIST.

STEP 2 GOAL:  $CSP(H_F) \geq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

BUT WE SAW BEFORE THAT THE  $H_F$  ALLOWS US TO USE  
A BOUNDED AMOUNT OF CONSTANTS.

STEP 2 GOAL:  $CSP(H_F) \geq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

BUT WE SAW BEFORE THAT THE INFINITE DOMAIN CSP  
ALLOWS US TO USE A BOUNDED AMOUNT OF CONSTANTS.

IDEA 2.0

CONSTANTS  $\xleftrightarrow{\text{ACTING AS}}$  COLORED EDGES

WE COULD USE BOUNDED AMOUNT OF COLORED EDGES

STEP 2 GOAL:  $CSP(H_F) \geq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

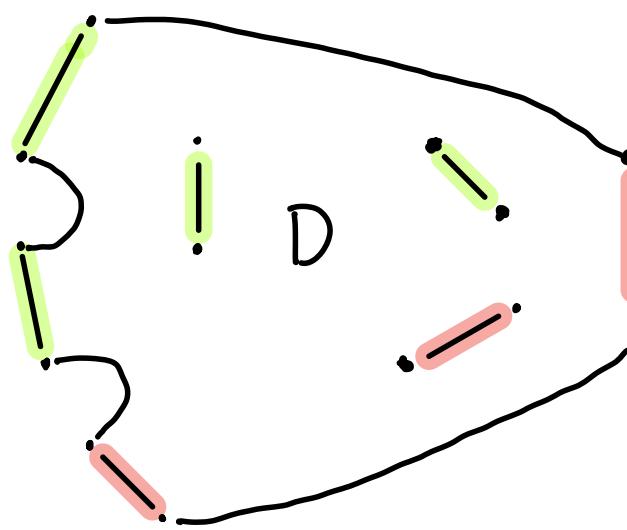
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WE COULD USE BOUNDED AMOUNT OF COLORED EDGES

SO WE CAN LOOK FOR

- YES INSTANCES
- WITH  $\alpha$  VALID COLORING



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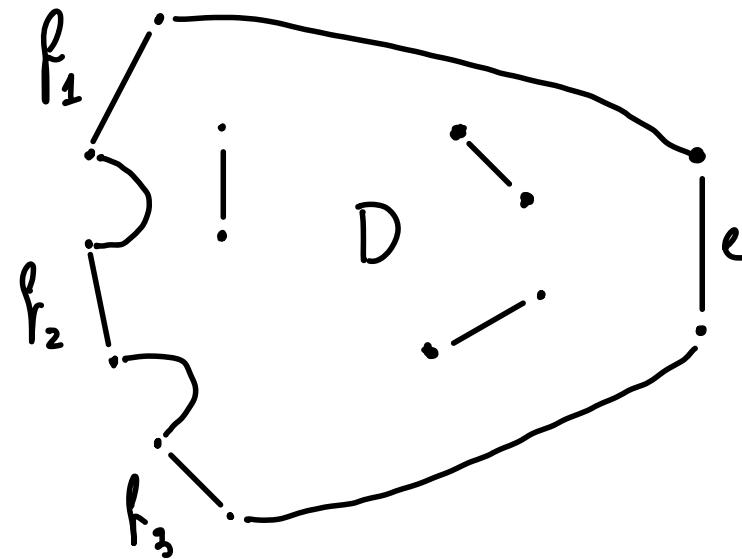
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- $f_1, f_2, f_3, e \in E(D)$



## STEP 2

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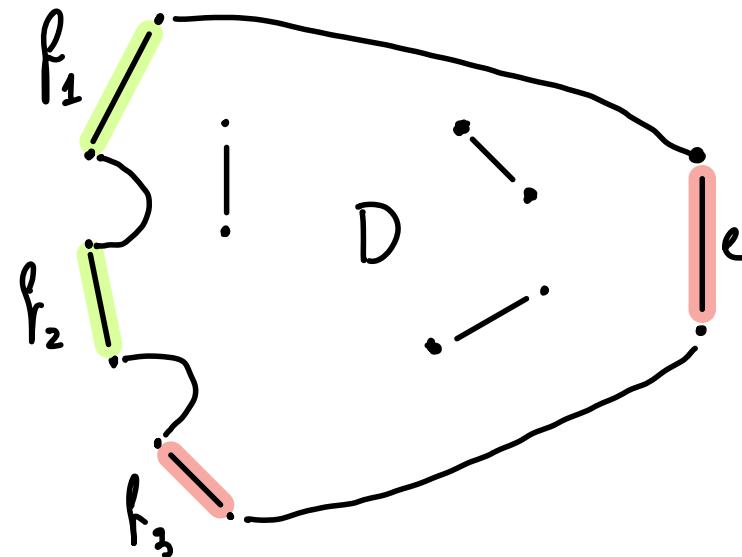
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- $\forall \chi: E(D) \rightarrow \text{COLORS}$

IF  $\chi$  IS VALID AND

$$\chi_{f_1, f_2, f_3} = \alpha$$

THEN  $\chi(e) = \bullet$



STEP 2 GOAL:  $CSP(H_F) \geq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

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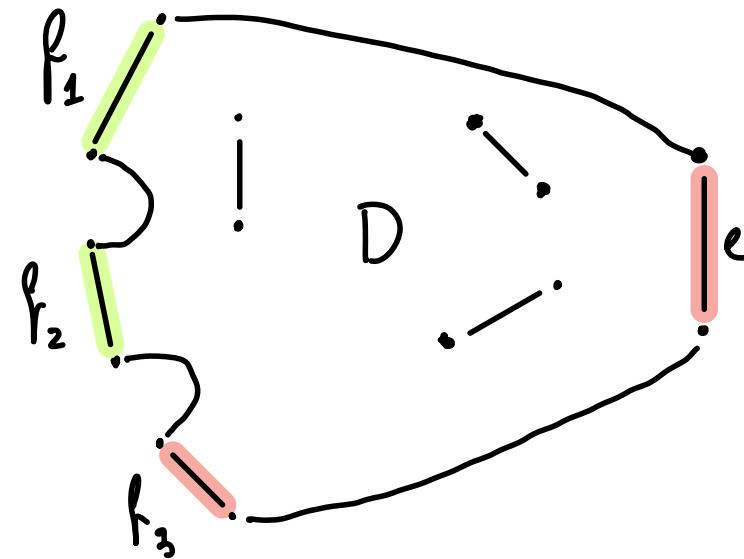
IF  $\chi$  IS VALID AND

$$\chi(f_1) = \bullet \quad \chi(f_2) = \bullet$$

$$\chi(f_3) = \bullet$$



$$\chi(e) = \bullet$$



REMARK

- \* THIS ALLOWS  $e$  TO BE ALSO COLORED IN 
- \* TO BE USEFUL IN PRACTICE

$$\text{dist}(e, f_i) \gg 0$$

WE CALL THEM COLOR DETERMINERS

STEP 3

COLOR EQUALITY GADGET

STEP 3

GOAL:  $CSP(G_F) \leq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

OBSERVATION

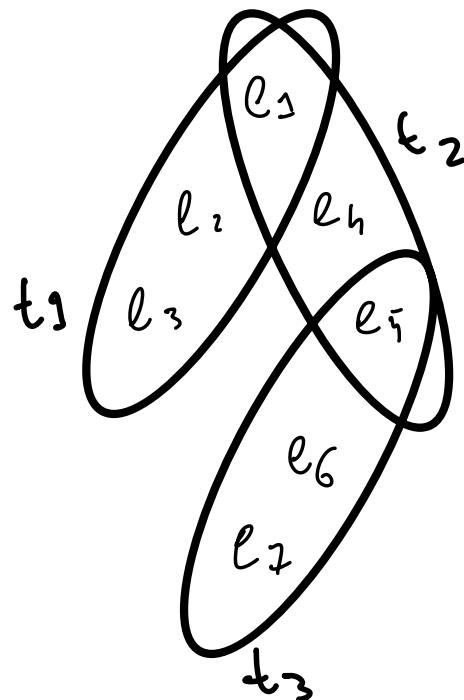
| $CSP(G_F)$      | RELATIONS              | COORDINATES OF $R_F$ |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| $\text{Ext}(F)$ | UNCOLORED OBSTRUCTIONS | EDGE OF $F$          |

STEP 3GOAL:  $CSP(G_F) \leq_p \text{Ext}(F)$ OBSERVATION

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IDEA  $F = \{\triangle, \triangle, \times\}$

GIVEN AN INSTANCE FOR  $CSP(G_F)$

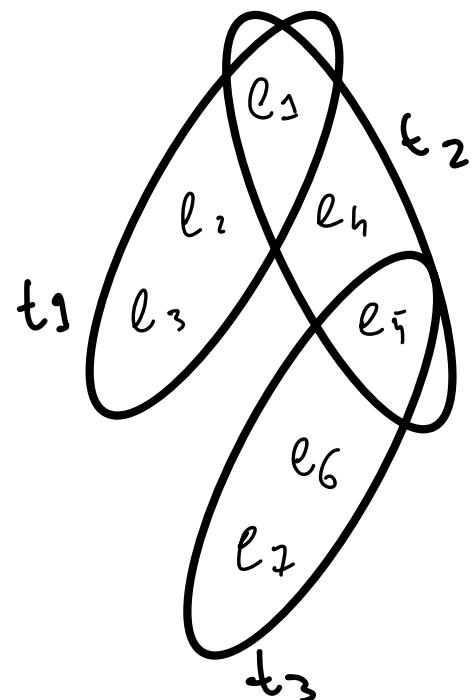


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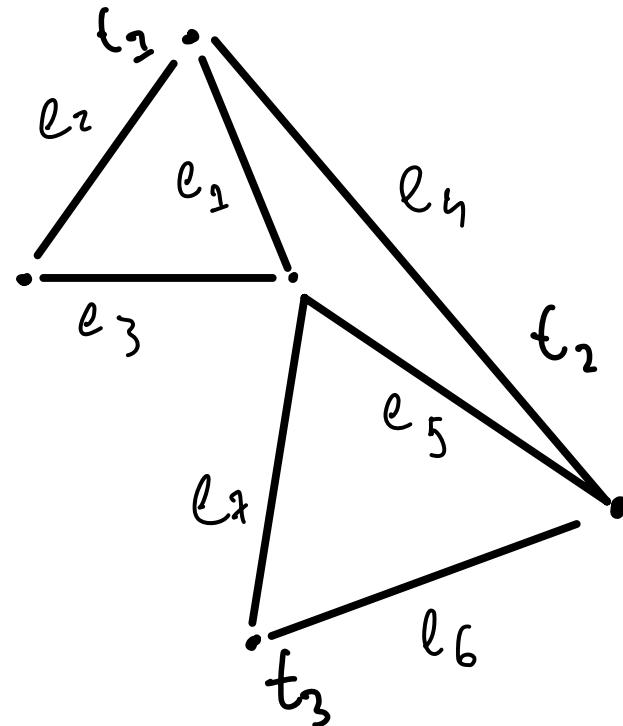
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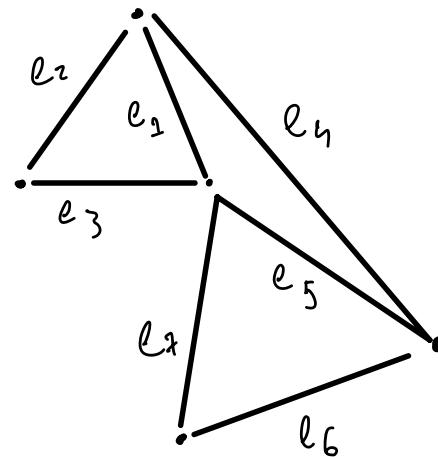
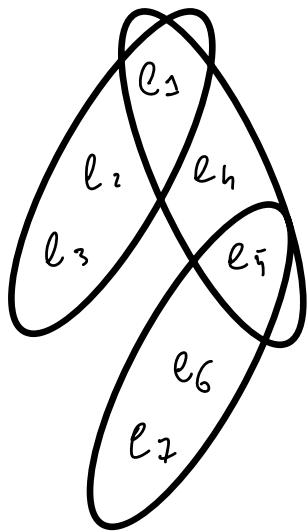


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PROBLEM

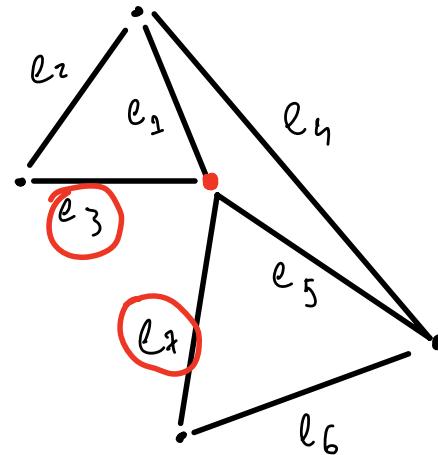
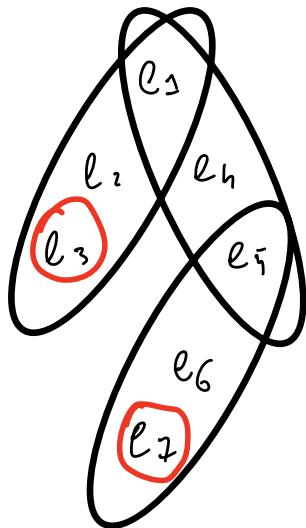
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STEP 3

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GIVEN AN INSTANCE FOR  $CSP(G_F)$



PROBLEM

THIS CAN PRODUCE NEW TRIANGLES!

OBSERVATION

$e_3, e_7$  AFTER THE OPERATION SHARE A VERTEX

WE HAVE A PROBLEM OF **DISTANCE**

STEP 3

GOAL:  $CSP(G_f) \leq_p \text{Ext}(F)$

BUT: IF WE COULD USE A YES INSTANCE  $EQ := e \mid \text{EQ}$  If such  
THAT  $\forall x : E(EQ) \rightarrow \text{COLORS}$

$x \text{ VALID} \Rightarrow x(e) = x(f)$

DEFINITION

WE CALL THE TRIPLE  $(EQ, e, f)$  A COLOR-EQUALITY  
GADGET.

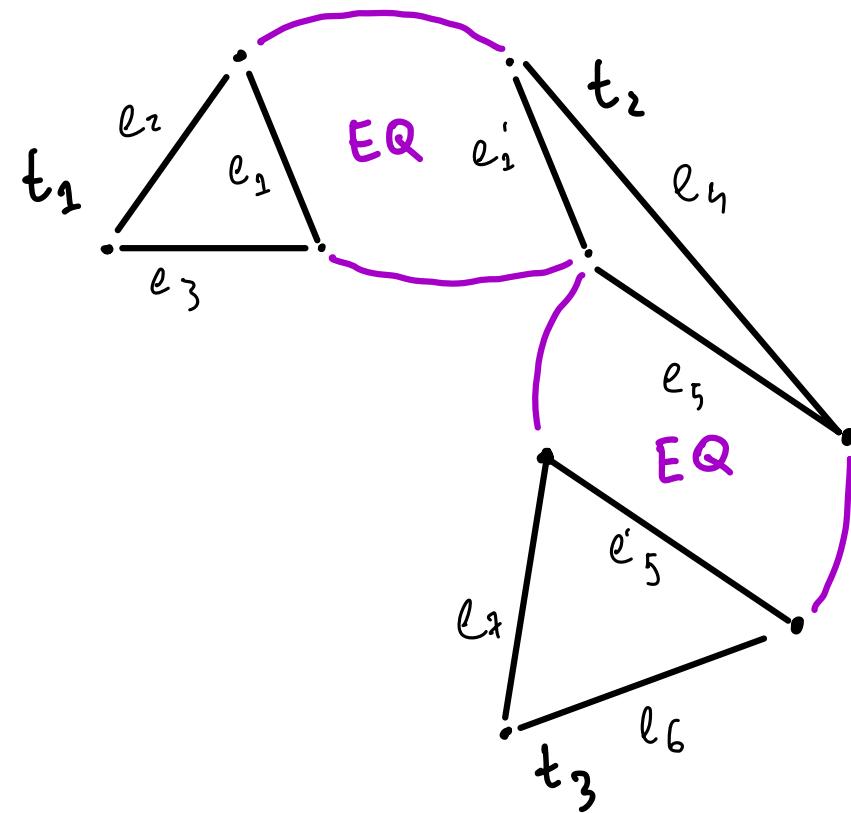
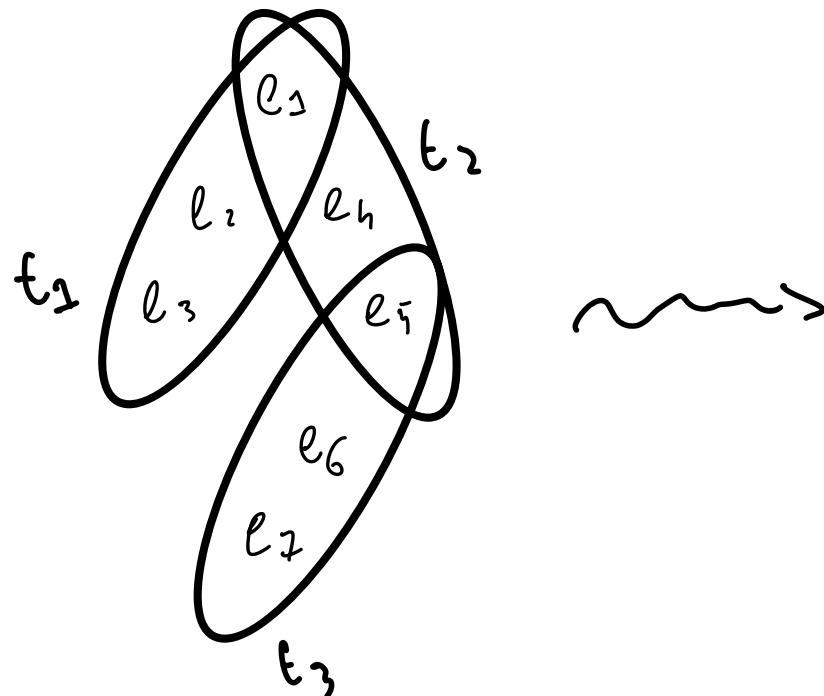
## STEP 3

GOAL:  $CSP(G_F) \leq_p Ext(F)$

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THEN WE WOULD FIX THIS PROBLEM OF DISTANCE



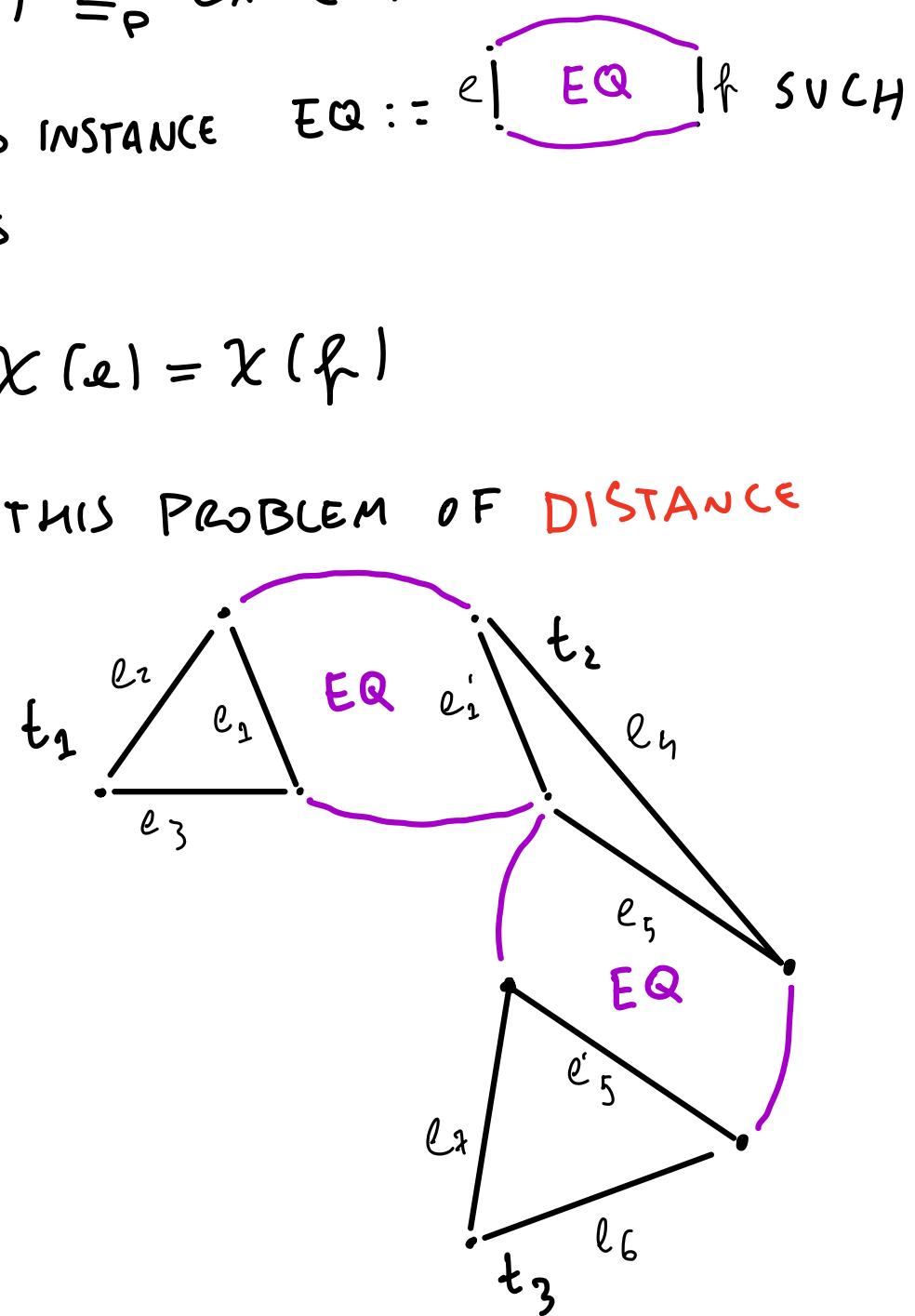
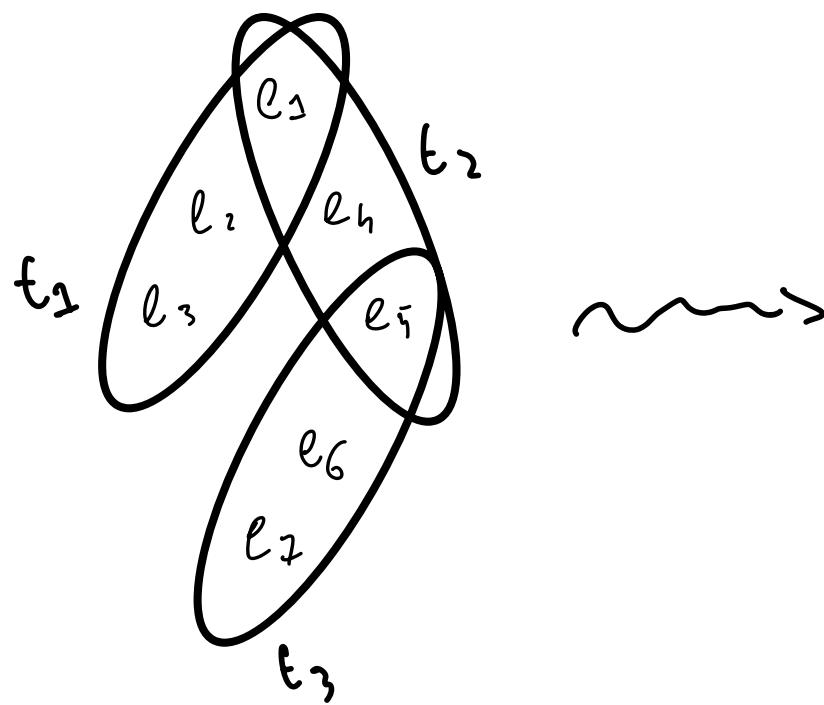
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THIS DOES NOT PRODUCE NEW TRIANGLES, INDEED THIS WORKS !!

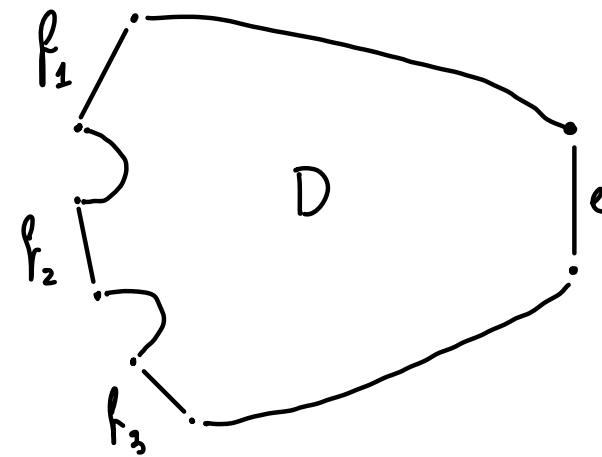
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WHEN CAN WE FIND THESE  
GADGETS ?

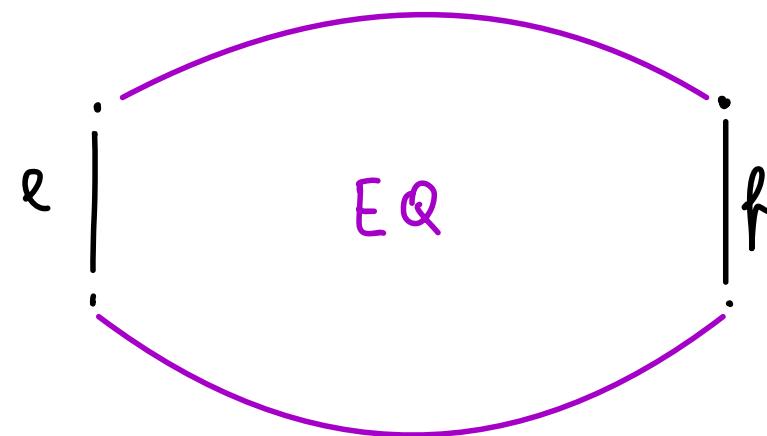
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THIS STRATEGY USES 2 TYPES OF GADGETS

### 1. COLOR-DETERMINERS



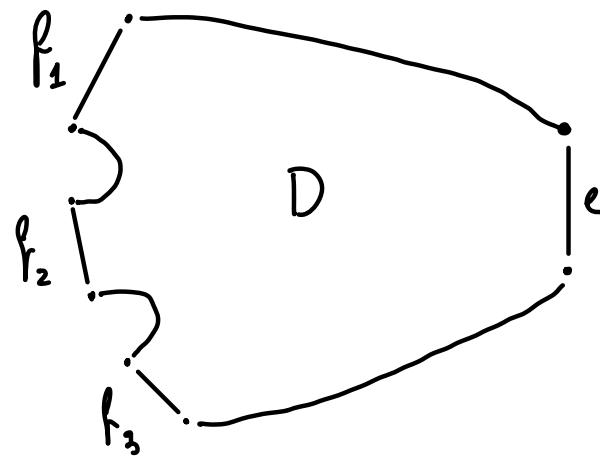
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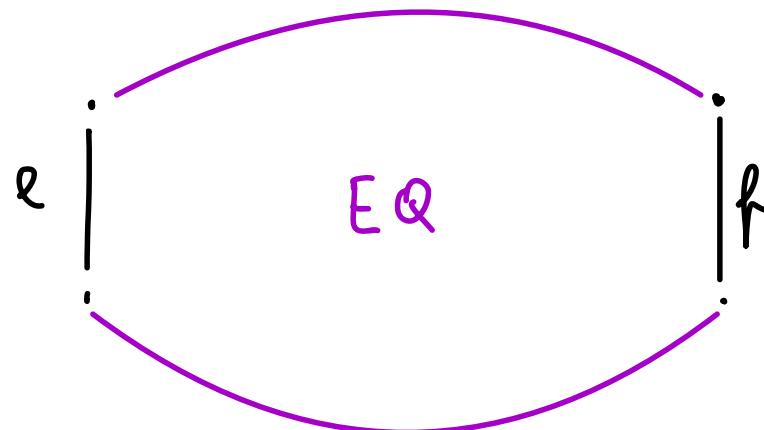
### 1. COLOR-DETERMINER



### QUESTIONS

- DO THEY EXIST FOR ANY  $F$ ?

### 2. COLOR-EQUALITY



DO THEY EXIST FOR ANY F?

SHORT ANSWER: NO

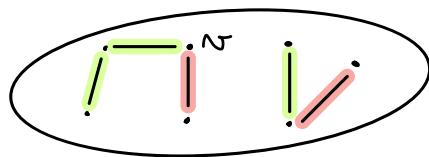
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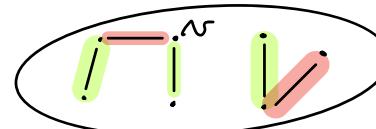
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VALID  $\rightsquigarrow$



VALID

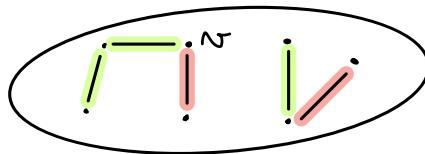
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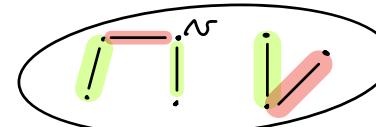
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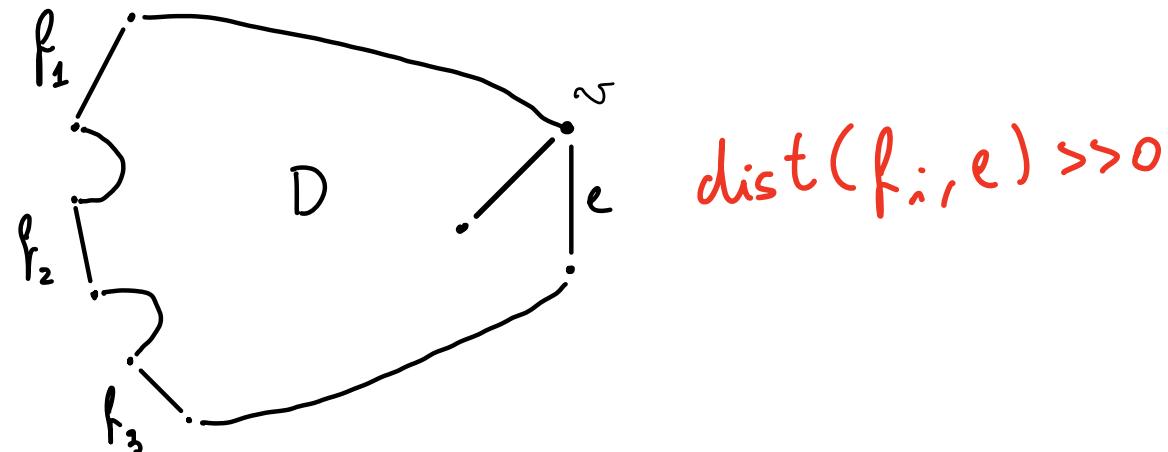


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VALID

TAKE A  
COLOR  
DETERMINER  
 $(D, f_i, e)$

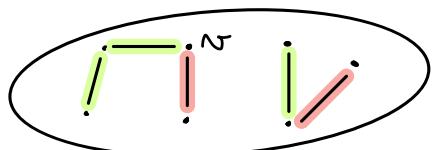


$dist(f_i, e) \gg 0$

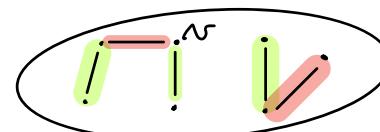
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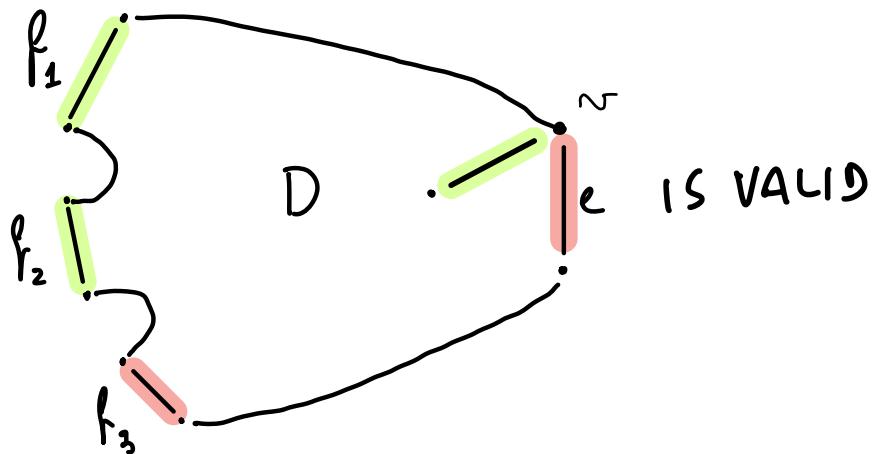


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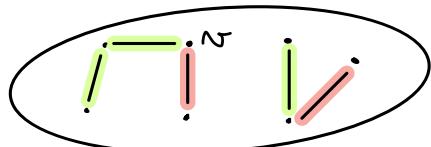
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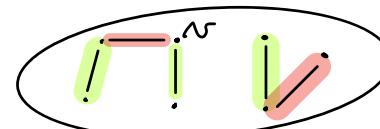
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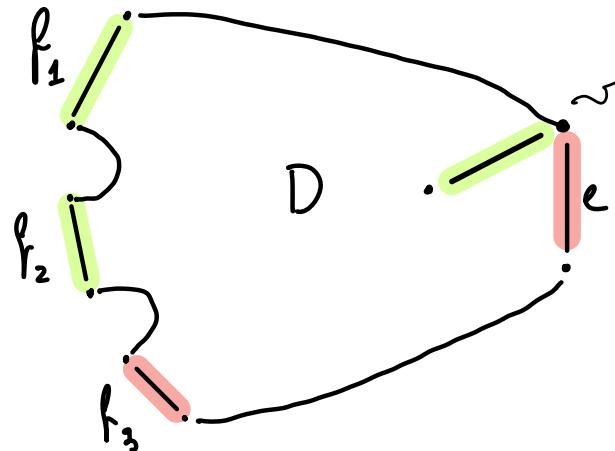


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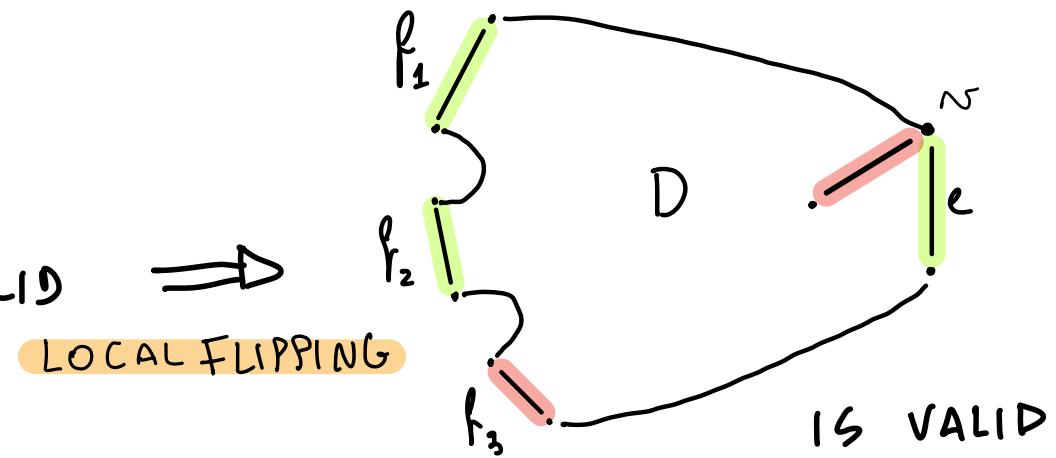


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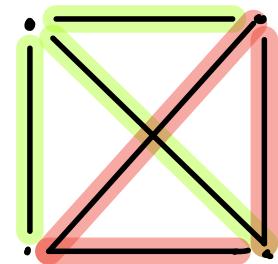
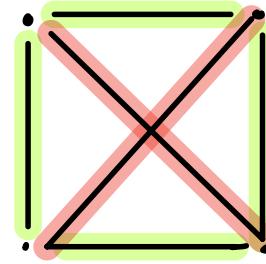
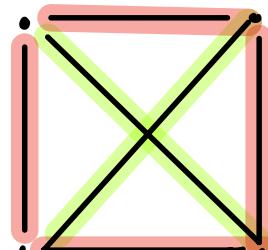
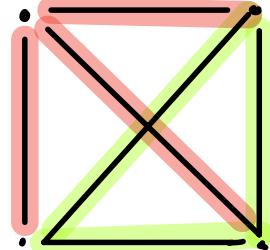
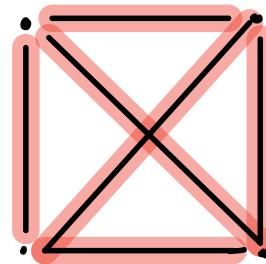
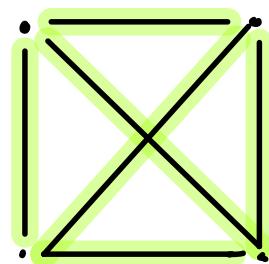
IS VALID  $\Rightarrow$  LOCAL FLIPPING



HENCE  $(D, f_i, e)$  CANNOT BE A COLOR DETERMINER

DO THEY EXIST FOR ANY F?

CONCRETE EXAMPLE



## WHEN DO THEY EXIST?

WE CALL  $\rightarrow$  THE HOMOMORPHISM ORDER ON GRAPHS  
AND FOCUS ON THE FOLLOWING CHAIN

$\dots C_9 \rightarrow C_7 \rightarrow C_5 \rightarrow K_3 \rightarrow K_5 \rightarrow K_5 \dots$

## WHEN DO THEY EXIST?

$\dots C_9 \rightarrow C_7 \rightarrow C_5 \rightarrow K_3 \rightarrow K_4 \rightarrow K_5 \dots$

### THEOREM

IF  $\tilde{F}$  SATISFY THE TWO FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS THESE GADGETS EXIST.

1.  $\forall (F, \alpha) \in \tilde{F} \quad F \in (\text{CLUSTERS} \cup \text{ODD CYCLES})$

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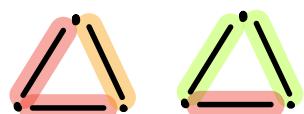
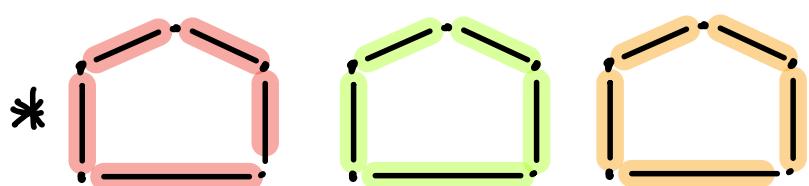
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## EXAMPLES



# WHEN DO THEY EXIST?

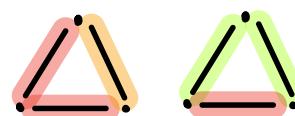
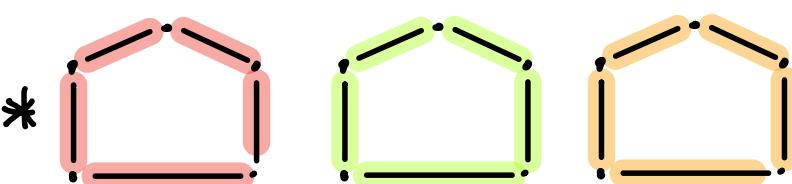
## THEOREM

IF  $\tilde{F}$  SATISFY THE TWO FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS THESE GADGETS EXIST.

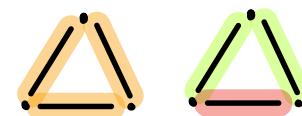
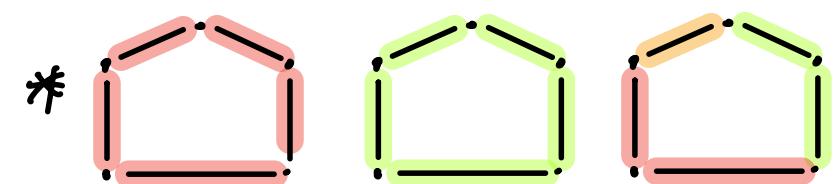
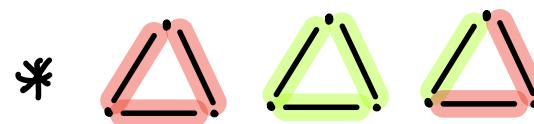
1.  $\forall (F, \alpha) \in \tilde{F} \quad F \in (\text{CLUSTERS} \cup \text{ODD CYCLES})$

2. THE  $\rightarrow$ -MAXIMUM OF  $\tilde{F}^M$  (THE MONOCHROMATIC PART)  
IS  $\rightarrow$ -SMALLER THAN THE  $\rightarrow$ -MINIMUM OF  $\tilde{F} \cdot \tilde{F}^M$

## EXAMPLES



## NON-EXAMPLES



THANKS!