

On k -domination and j -dependence in graphs

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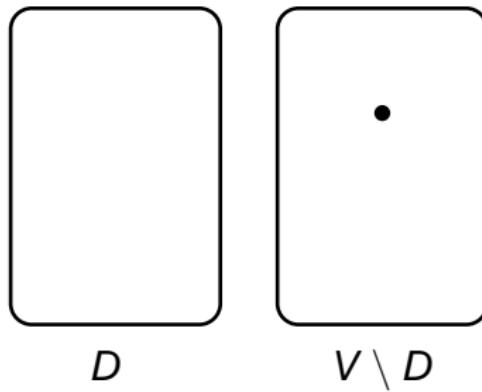
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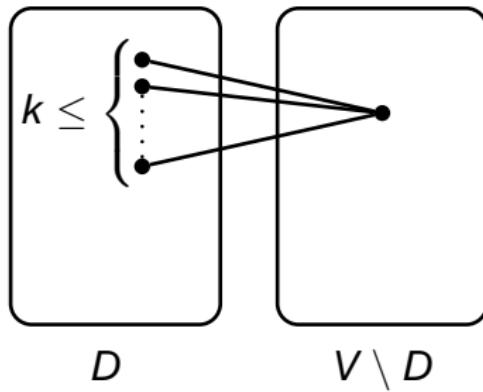
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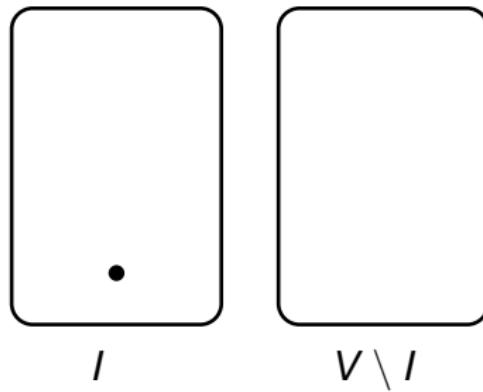
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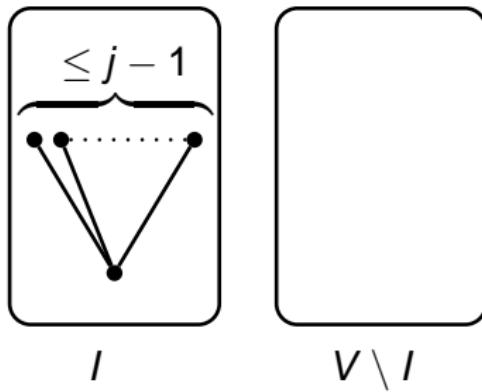
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k-domination and *j*-dependence

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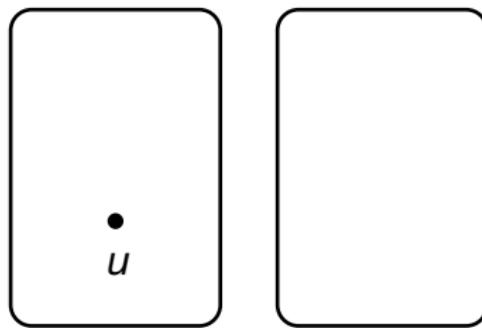
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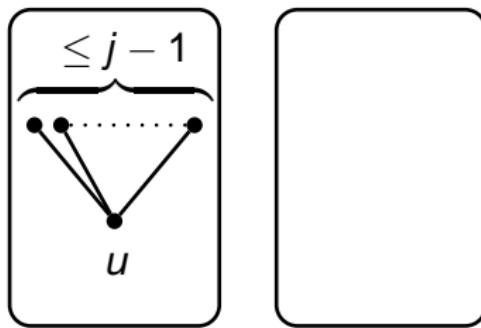
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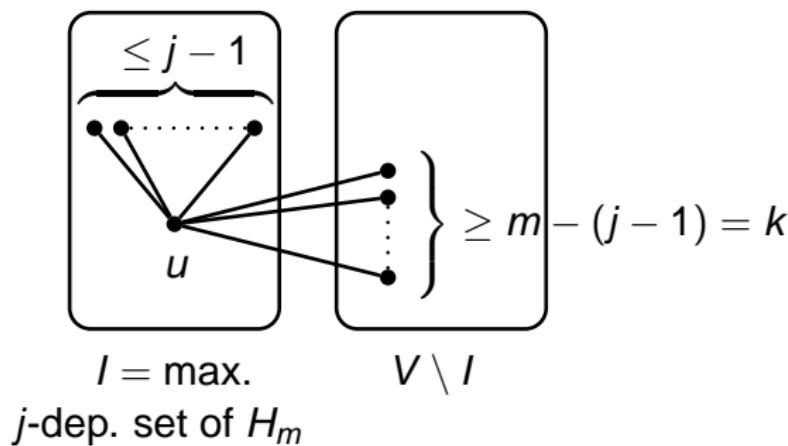


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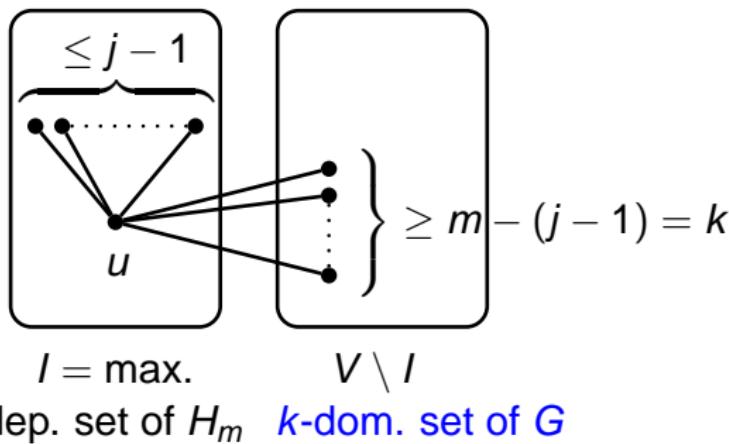
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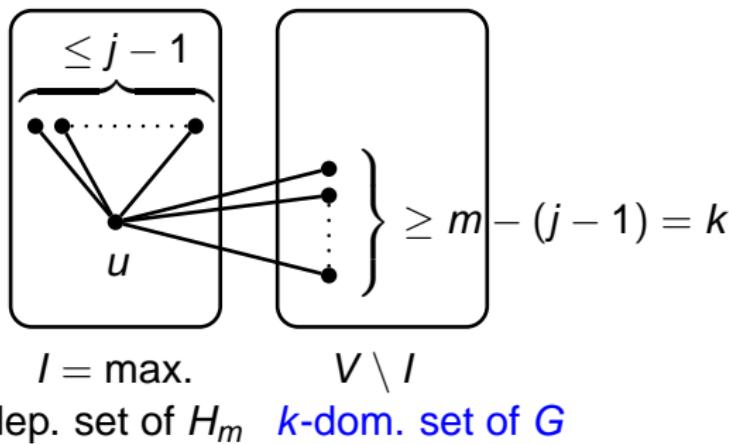
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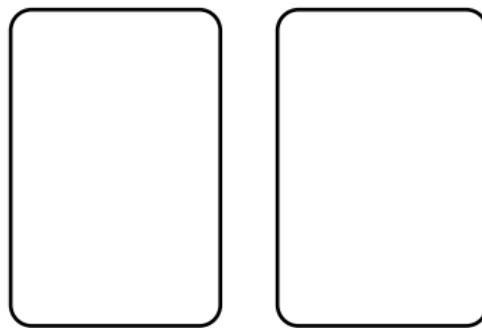
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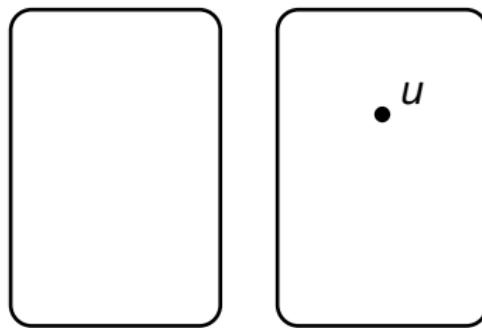
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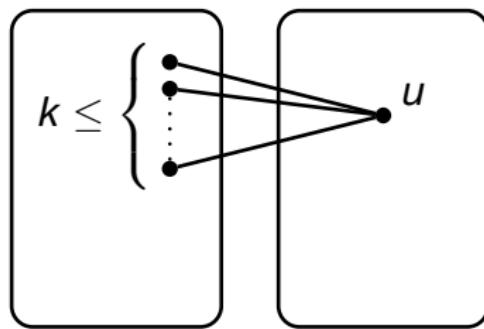
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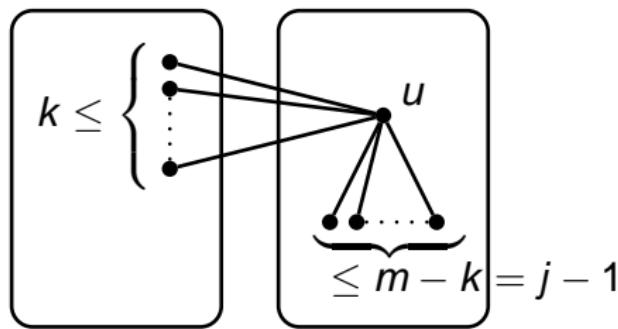
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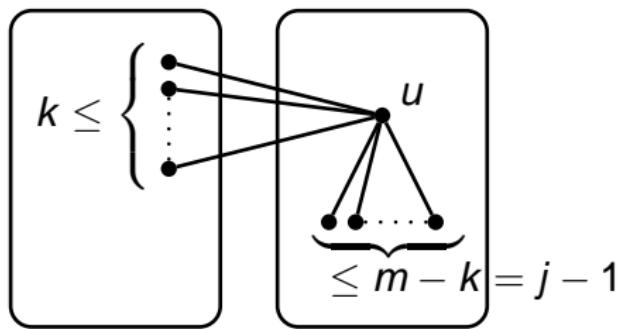
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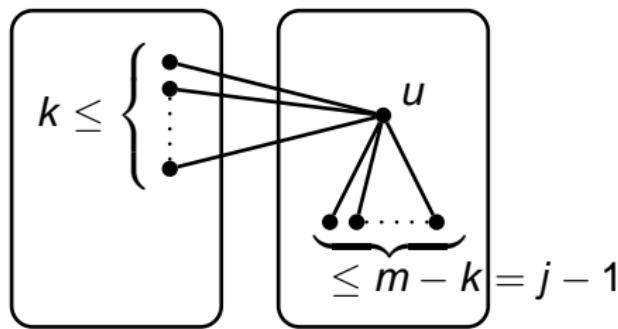


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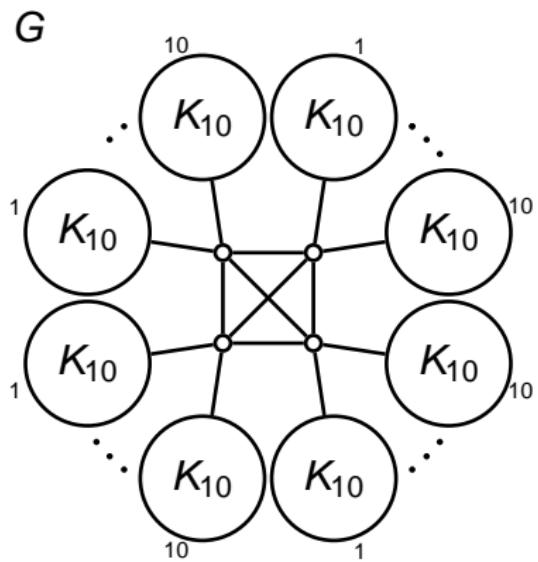
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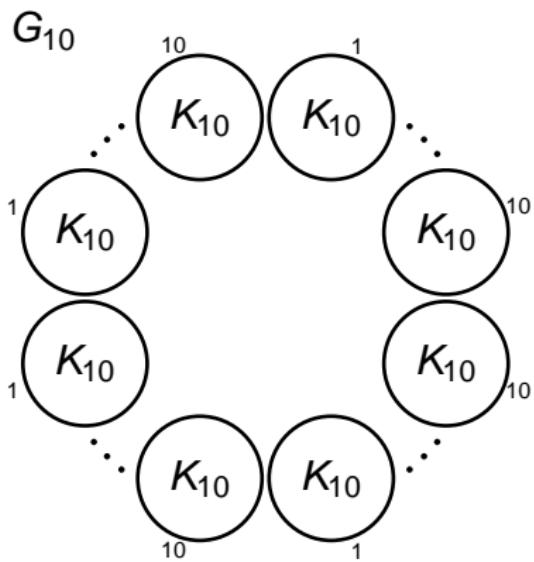
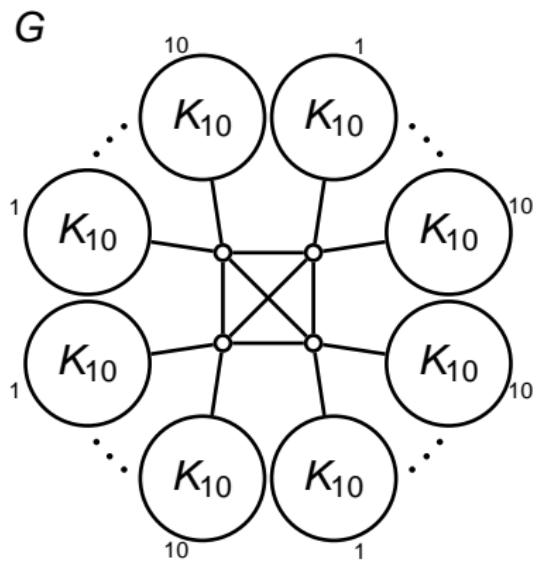
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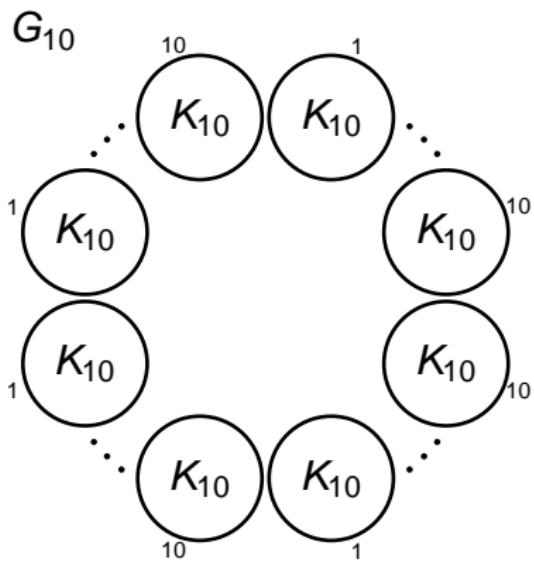
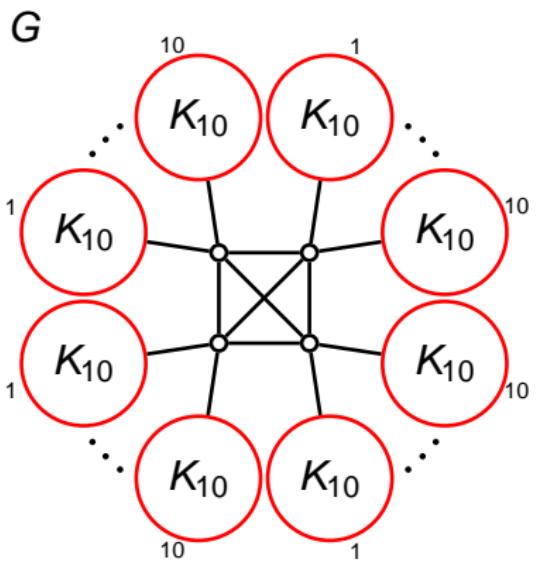
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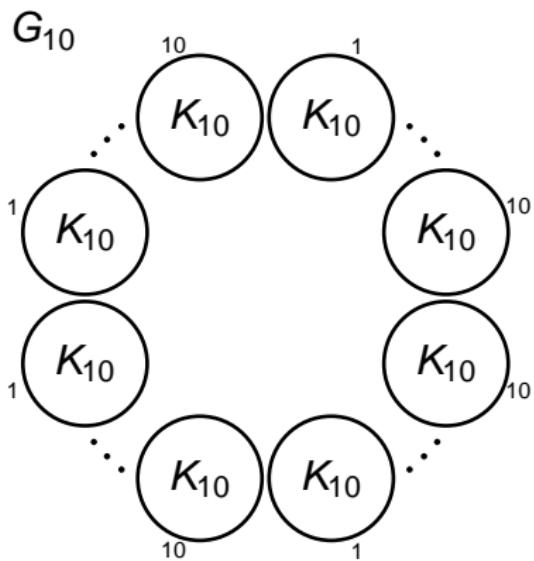
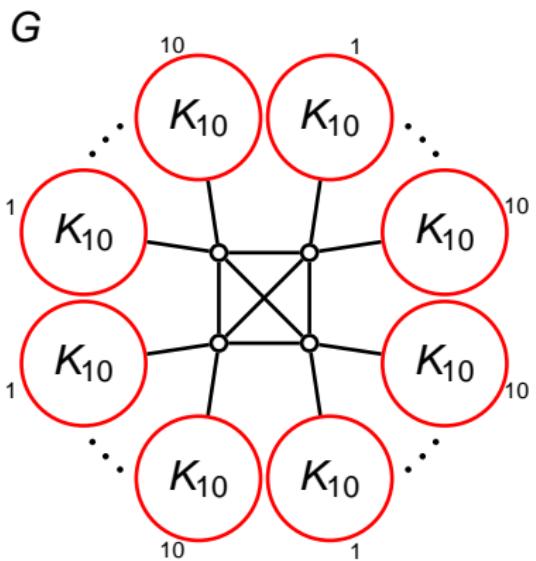
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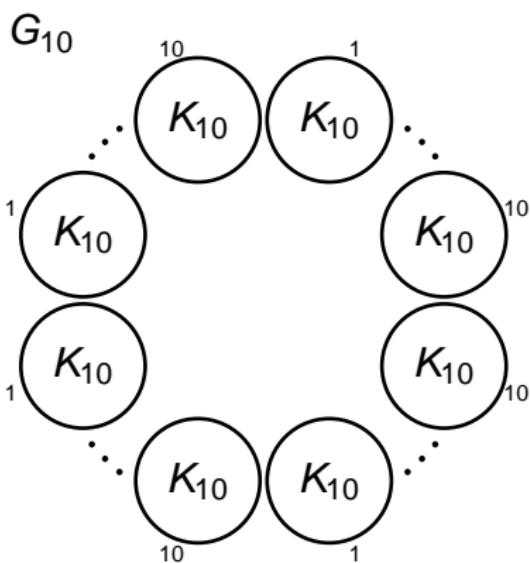
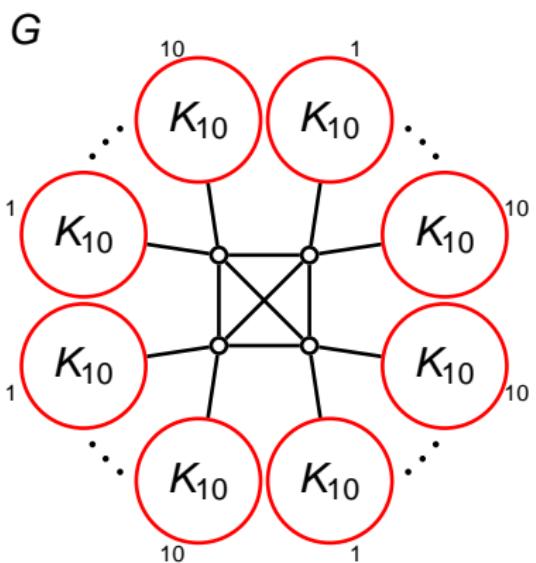
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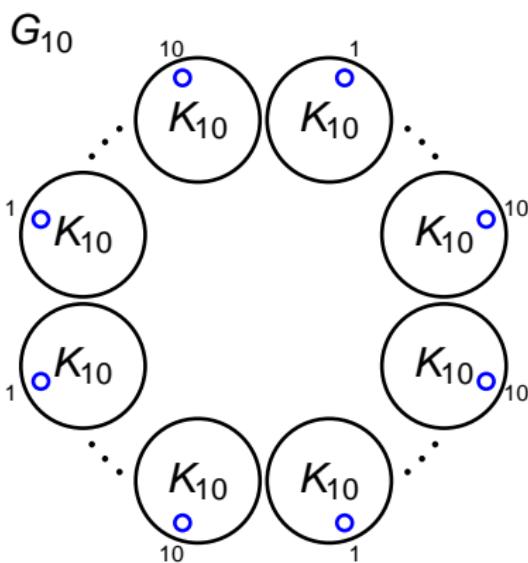
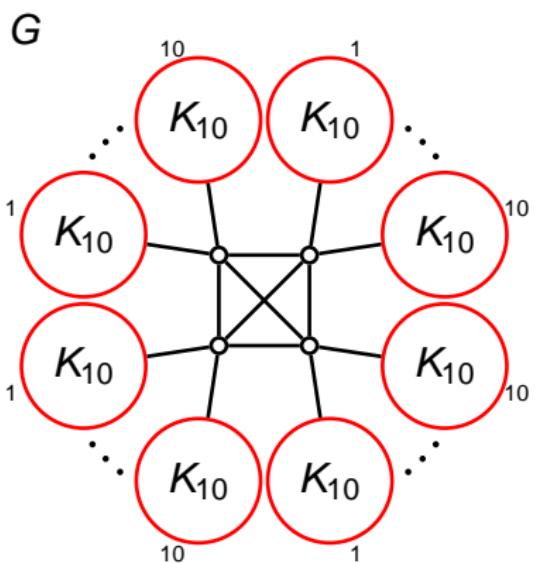
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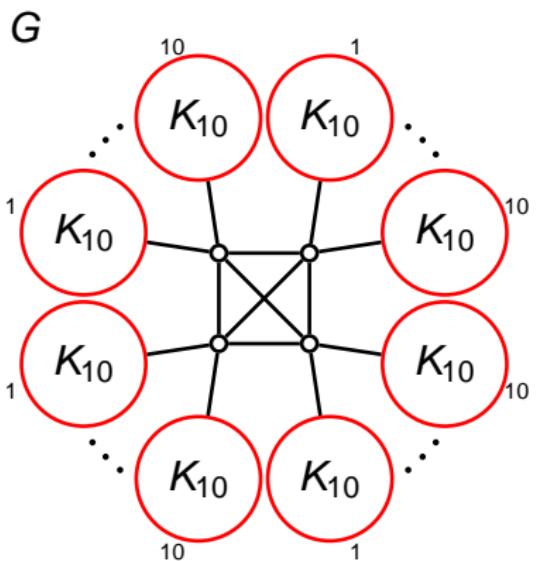
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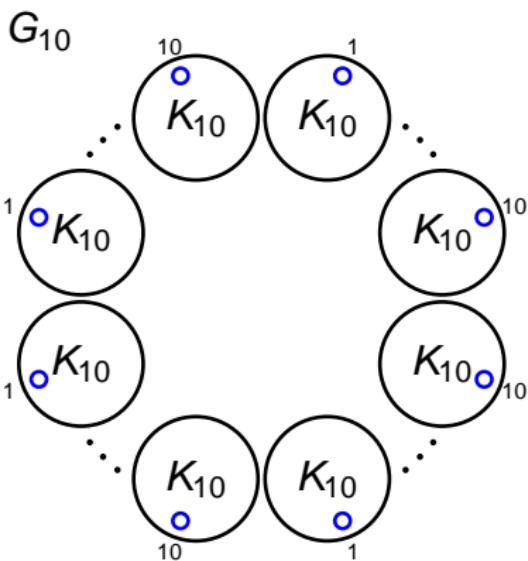
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Some implications

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