Bounding the pseudolinear crossing number of K_n via simulated annealing

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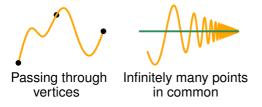
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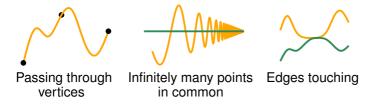


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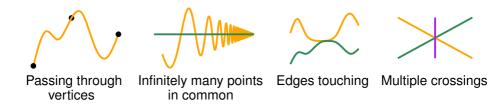
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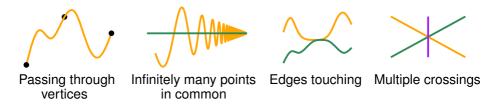
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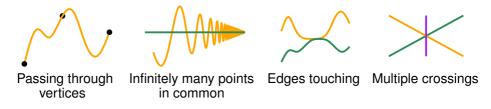


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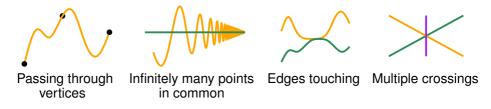
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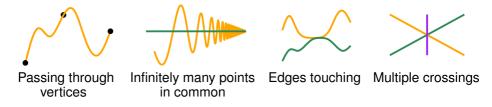
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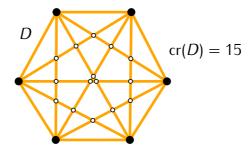
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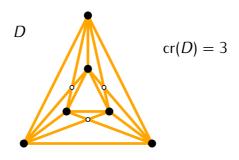
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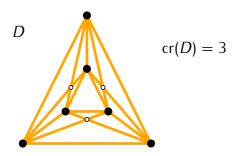
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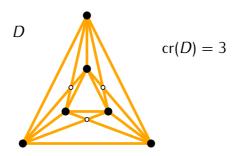


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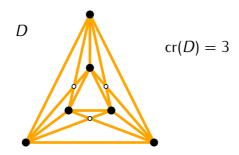
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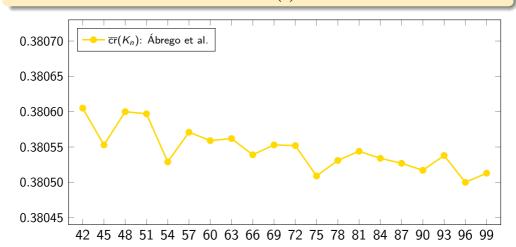
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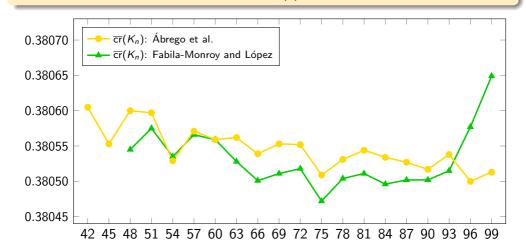
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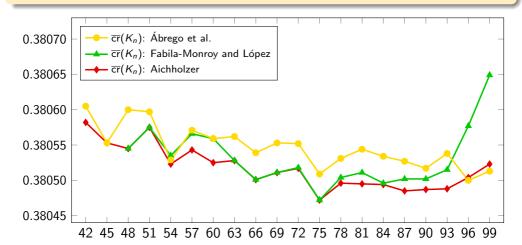
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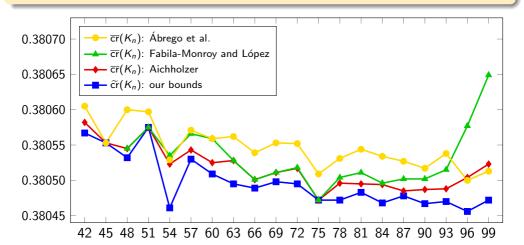
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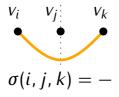


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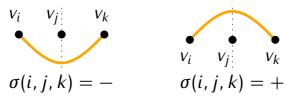
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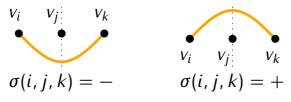
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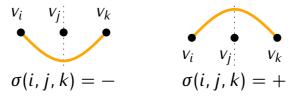


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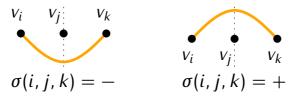
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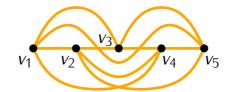
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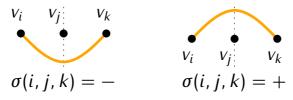


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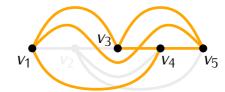


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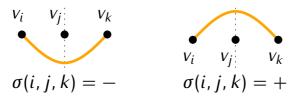


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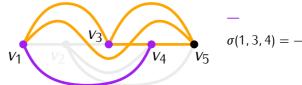


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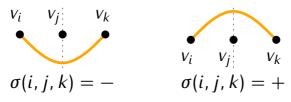


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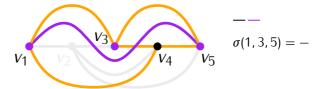


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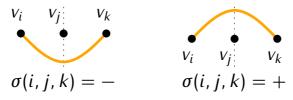


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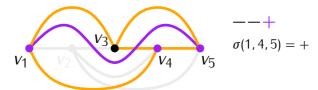


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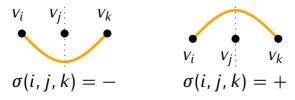


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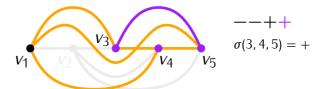


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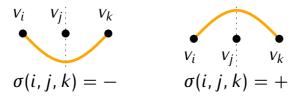


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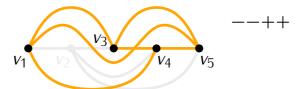


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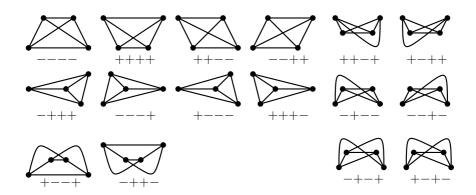
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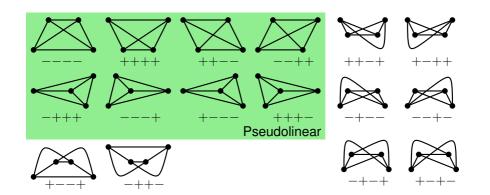


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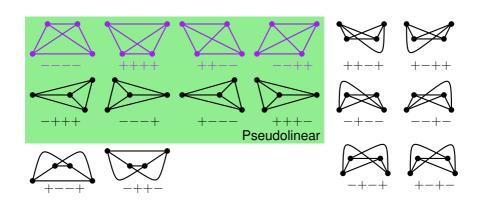
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48	71 010	71 007	77	502 011	501 997
50	84 223	84 219	78	529 278	529 242
52	99 161	99 158	79	557 741	557 723
54	115 975	115 953	80	587 280	587 251
56	134 917	134 901	81	617 930	617 908
57	145 164	145 158	83	682 976	682 958
58	156 042	156 040	84	717 276	717 222
59	167 506	167 490	85	752 971	752 963
60	179 523	179 514	86	789 911	789 892
63	219 659	219 637	87	828 125	828 107
64	234 447	234 441	88	867 887	867 862
65	249 962	249 938	89	908 940	908 914
66	266 151	266 142	90	951 379	951 323
67	283 238	283 230	91	995 478	995 430
68	301 057	301 043	92	1 040 946	1 040 897
69	319 691	319 679	93	1 087 899	1 087 843
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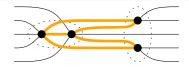


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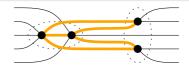
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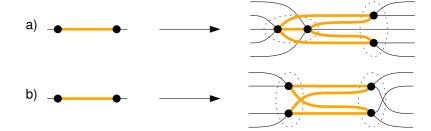


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