

Algorithmic Graph Theory

Solution Sheet 5

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Exercises

- (1) Give an algorithm that computes for a given chordal graph G and a PES σ a set of subtrees of a tree such that G is the intersection graph of these subtrees.

Apply your algorithm to the given graph with $\sigma = [a, b, c, d, e, f]$.

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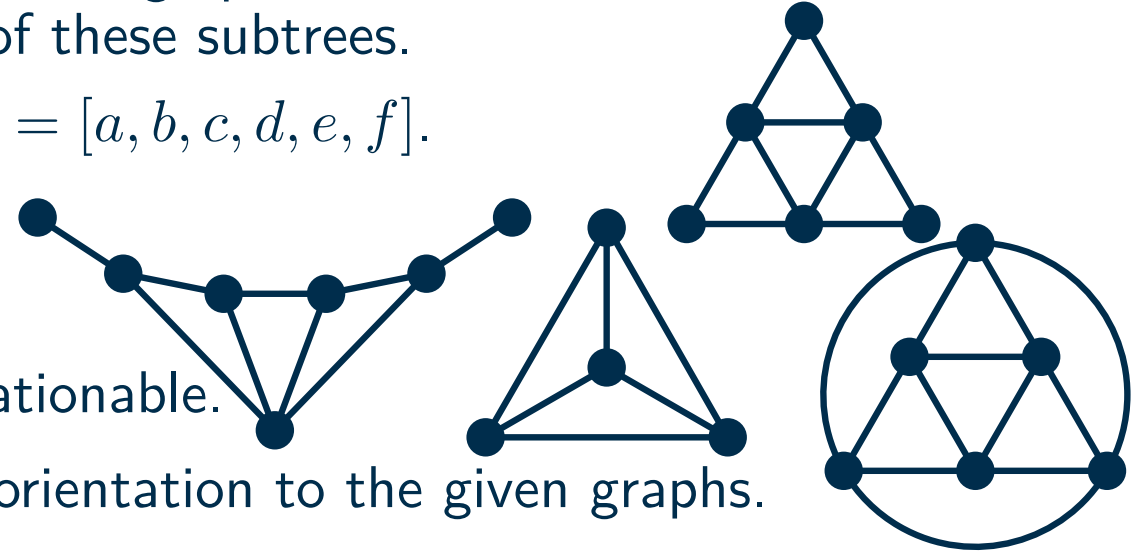
- (3) Prove that the “bull head” is transitively orientable.

- (4) Apply the algorithm for computing a transitive orientation to the given graphs.

- (5) Show that the algorithm for computing a transitive orientation can be implemented to run in $\mathcal{O}(\Delta \cdot |E|)$ time and $\mathcal{O}(|V| + |E|)$ space with Δ denoting the maximum degree of a vertex.

- (6) Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. Prove the following statements.

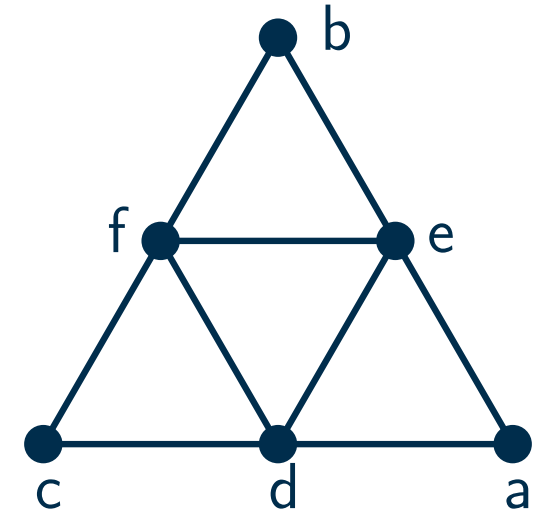
- (i) A vertex order σ is a perfect elimination scheme of G if and only if $a <_{\sigma} b <_{\sigma} c$ with $ab, ac \in E$ implies that $bc \in E$.
(ii) G is a comparability graph if and only if there is a vertex order σ such that $a <_{\sigma} b <_{\sigma} c$ with $ab, bc \in E$ implies that $ac \in E$.



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Theorem 3.14:

For all Graphs G the following are equivalent:

- G is chordal
- G is the intersection graph of subtrees of a tree
- There is a tree $T = (\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{E})$ whose vertices $\mathcal{K}$ are the maximal cliques of G such that for every $v \in V(G)$ the induced subgraphs of $T_{\mathcal{K}_v}$ are connected with $\mathcal{K}_v$ being the set of cliques in $\mathcal{K}$ that contain v .

The proof is constructive!

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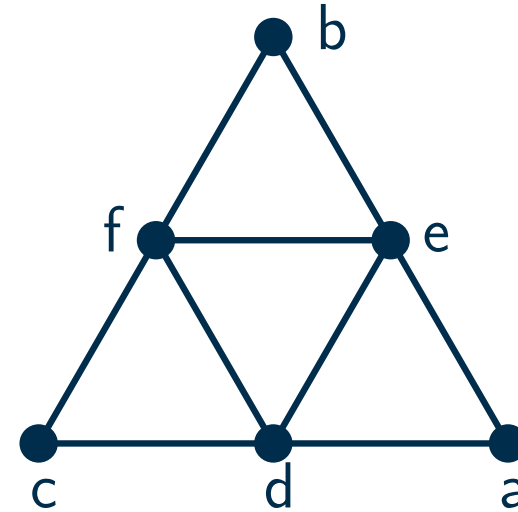


Correctness: proof of Theorem 3.14

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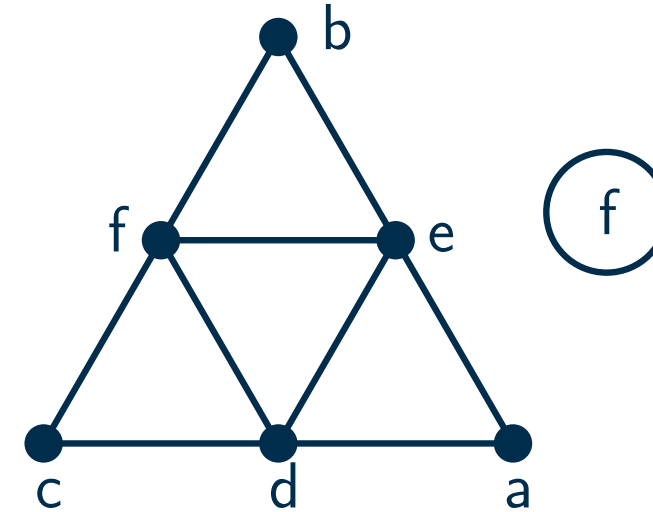
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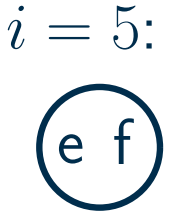
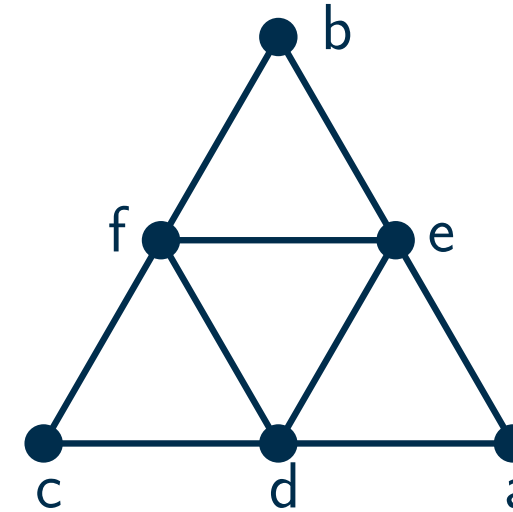
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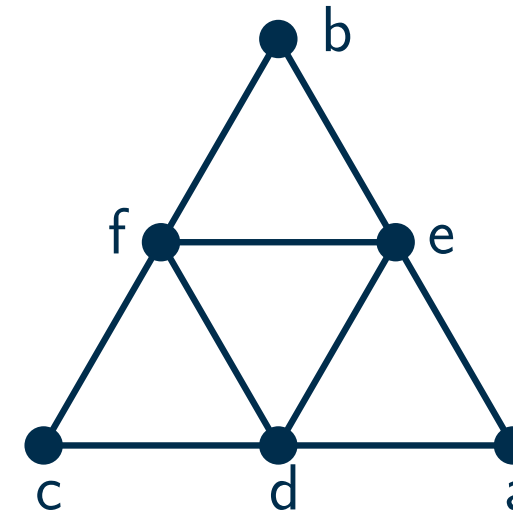
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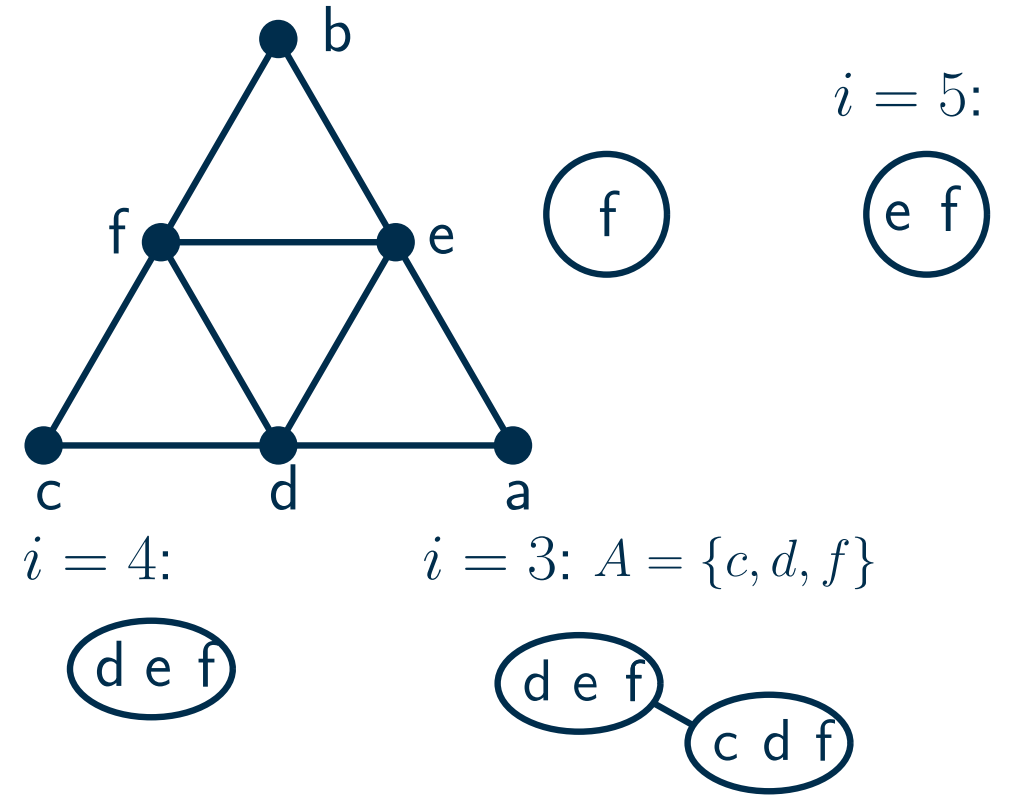


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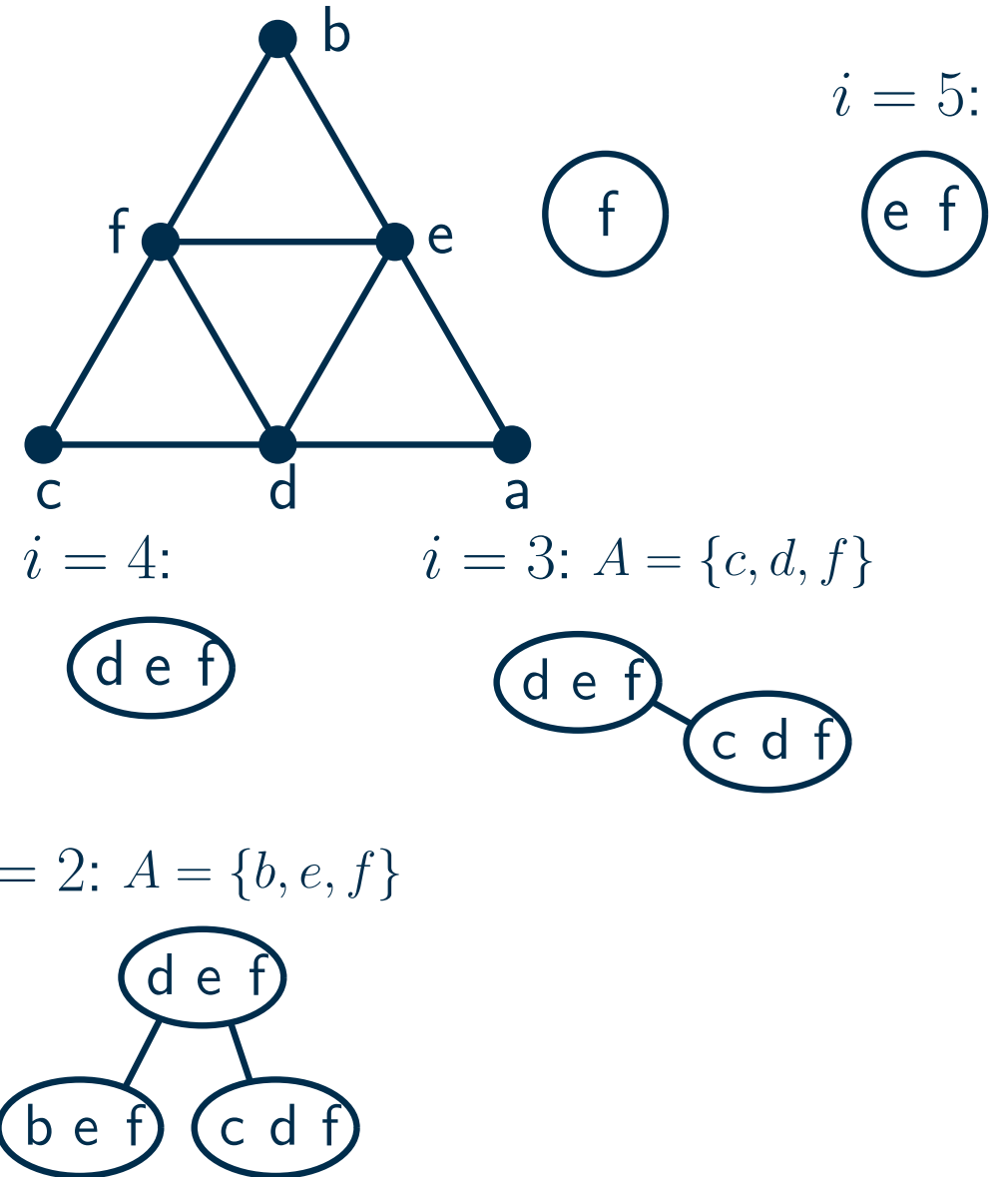


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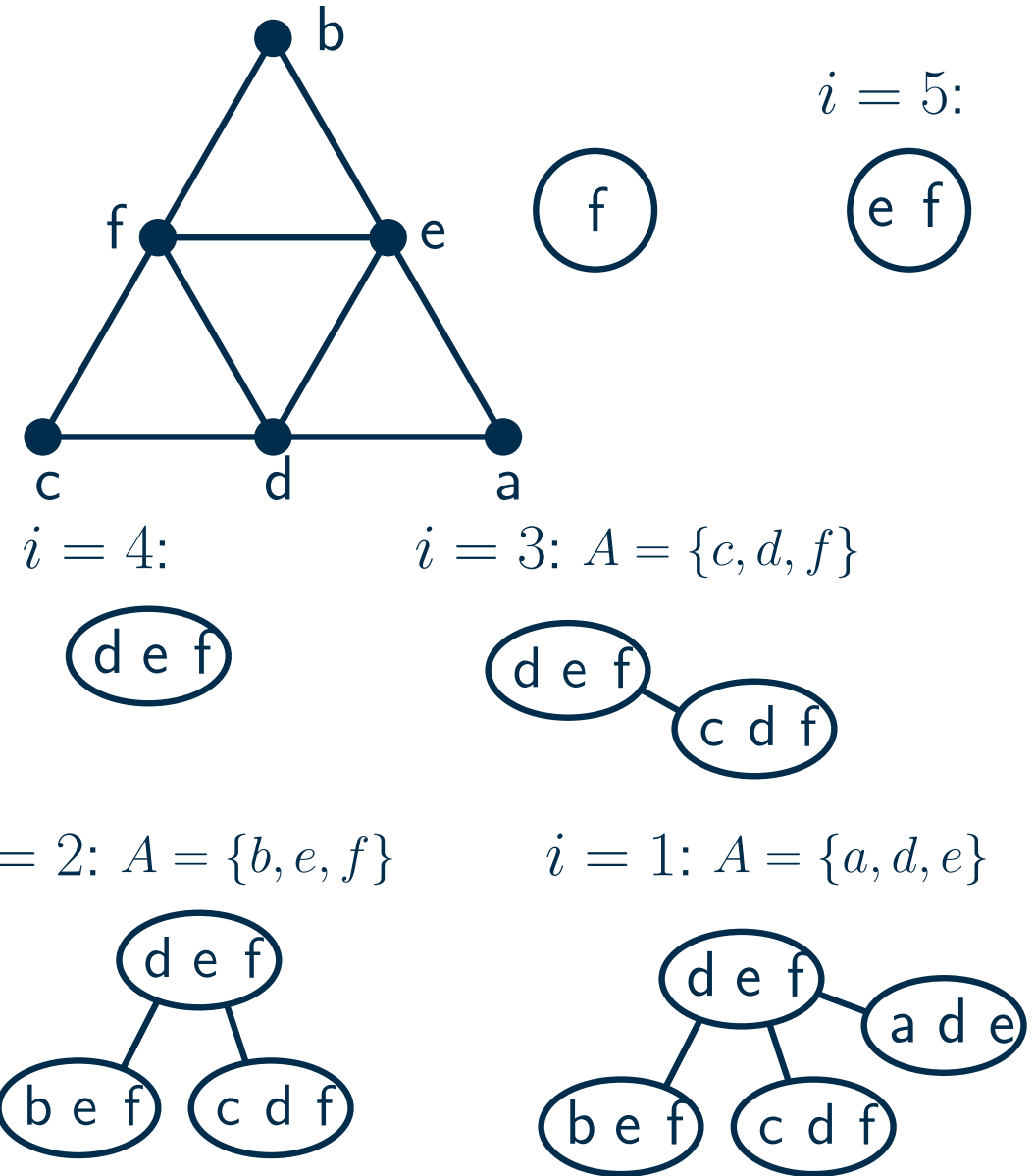


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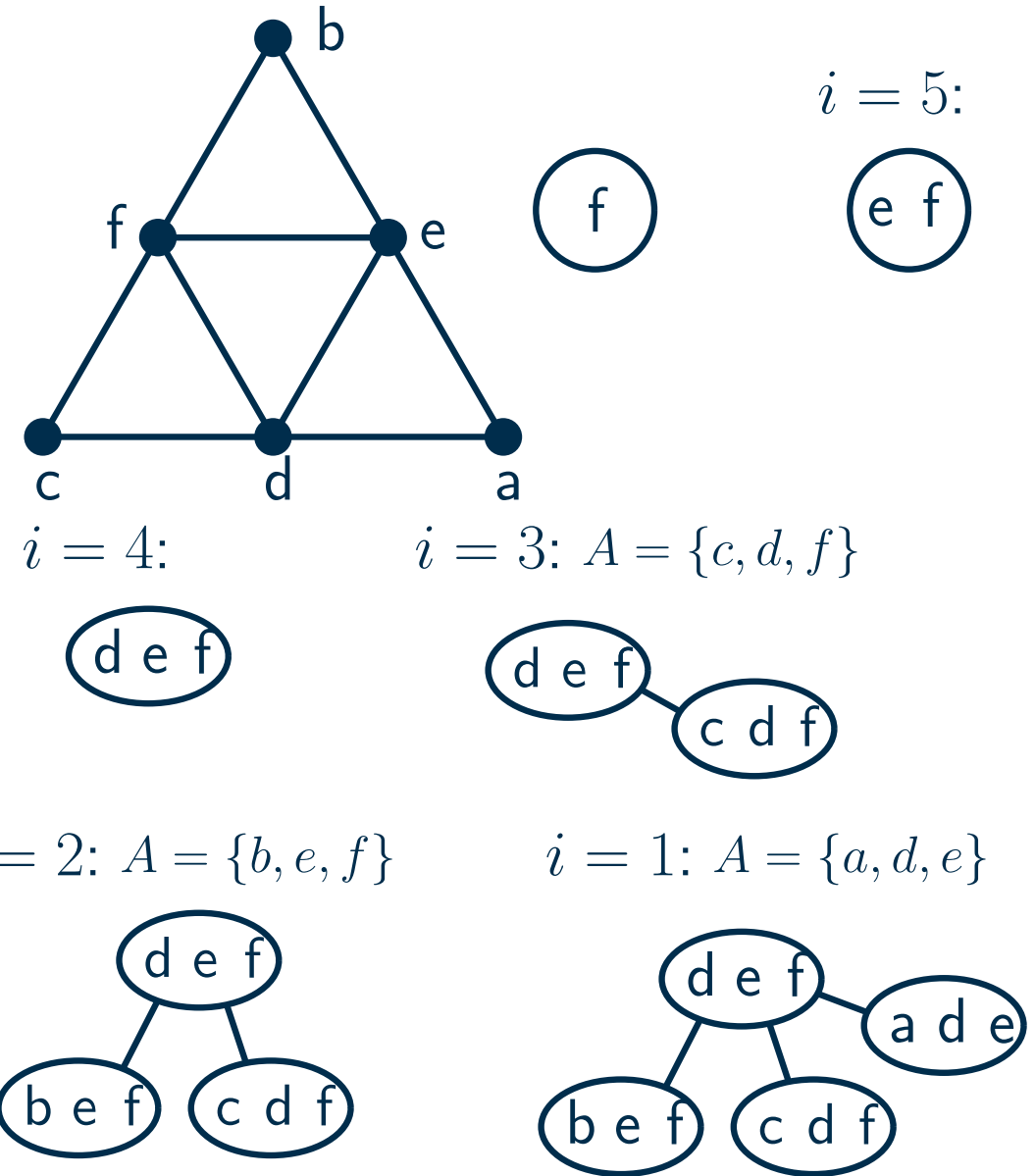
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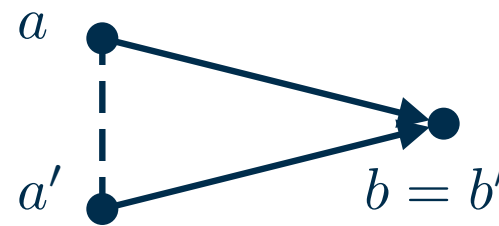
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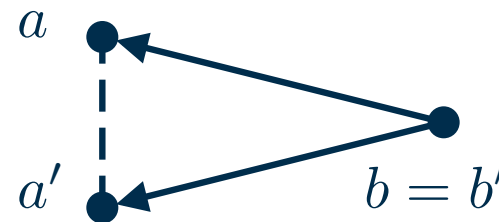
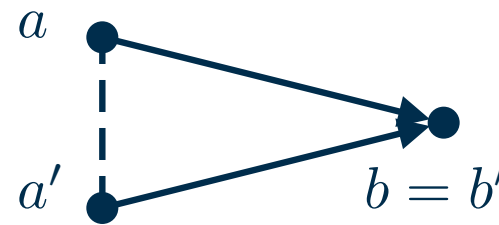
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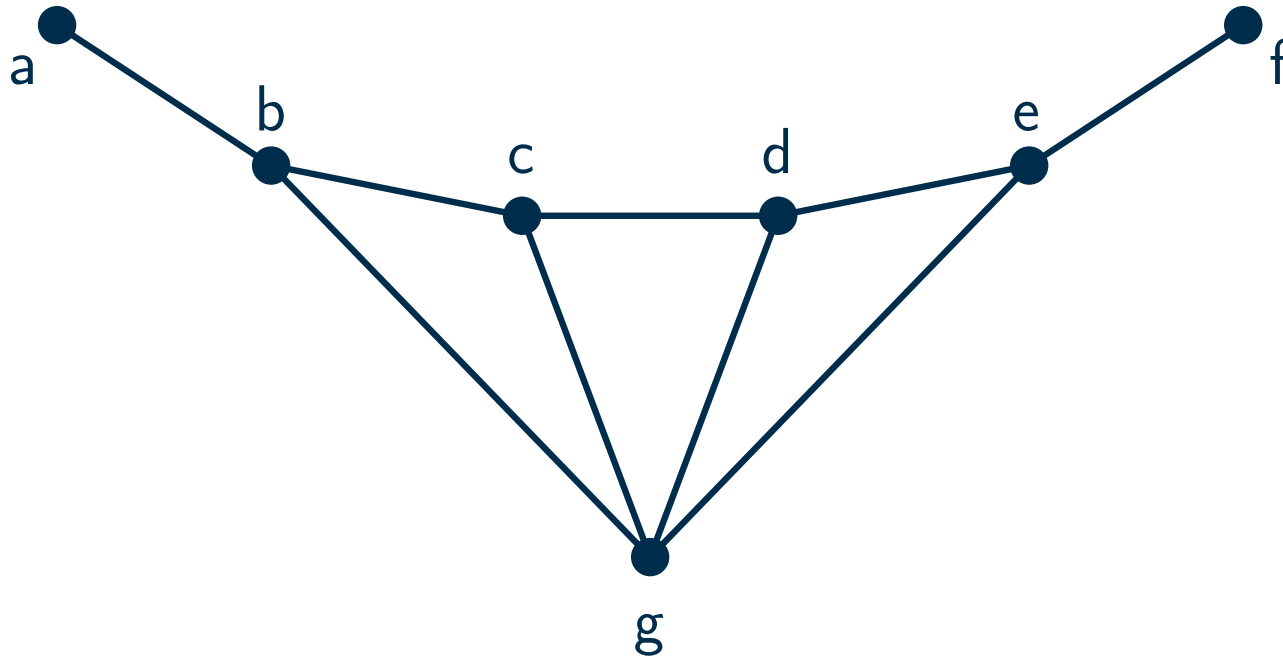
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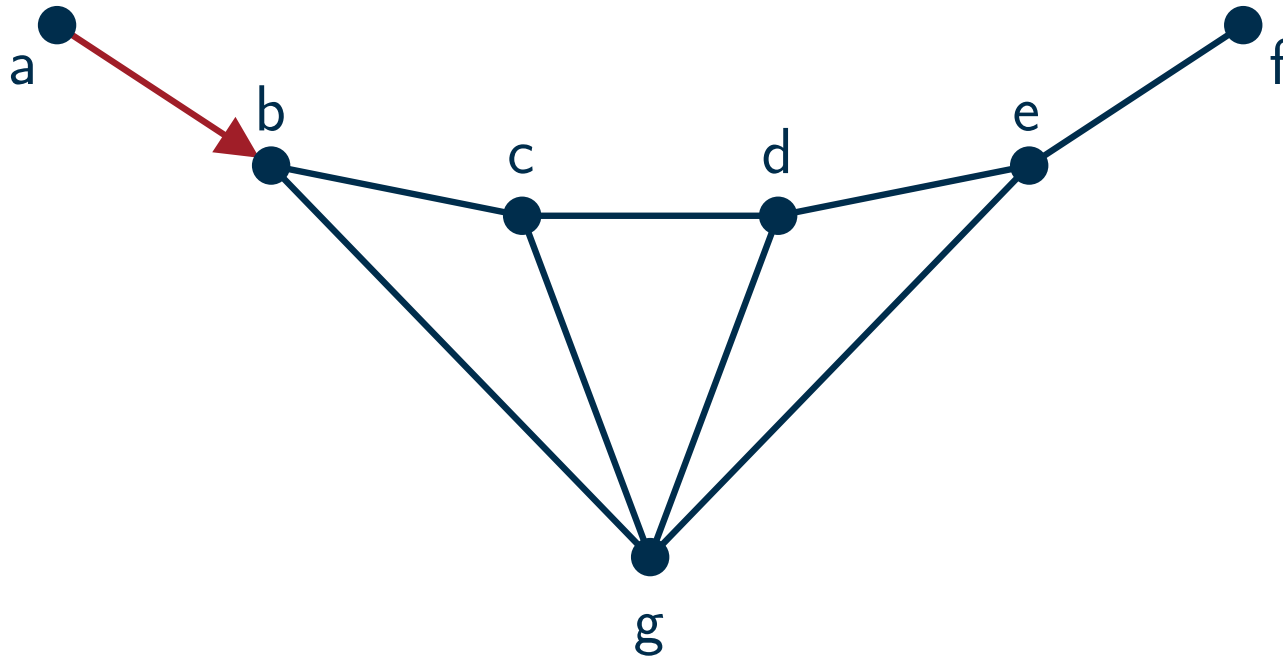
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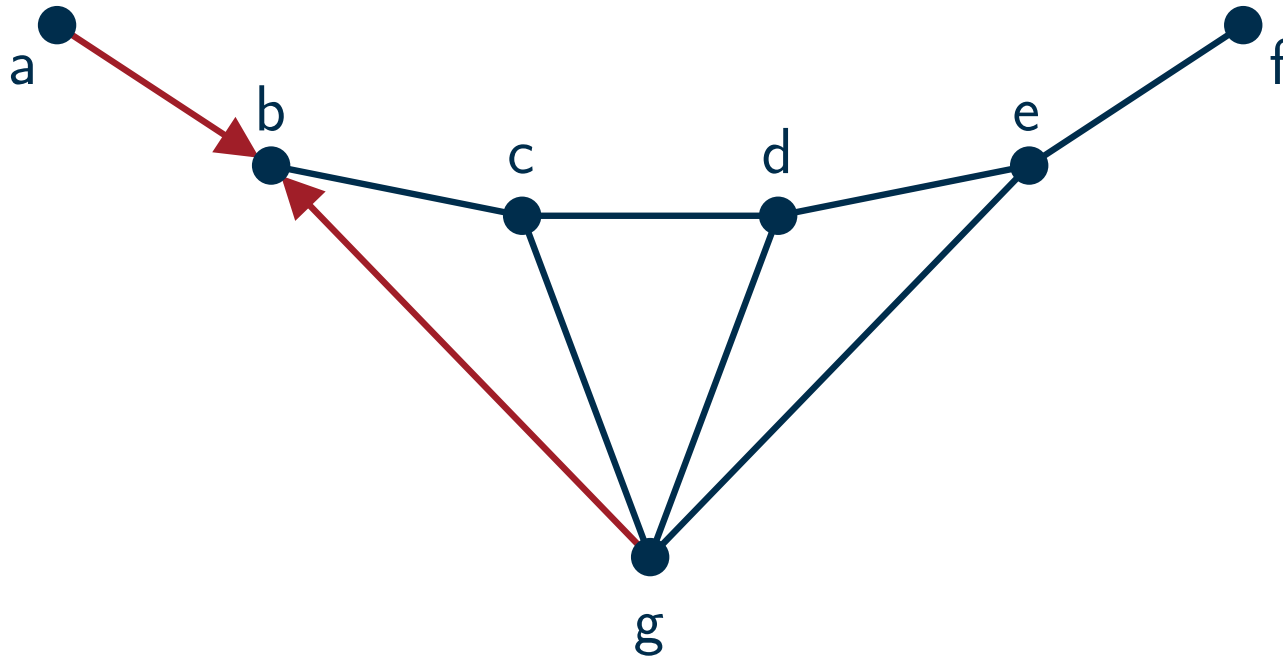
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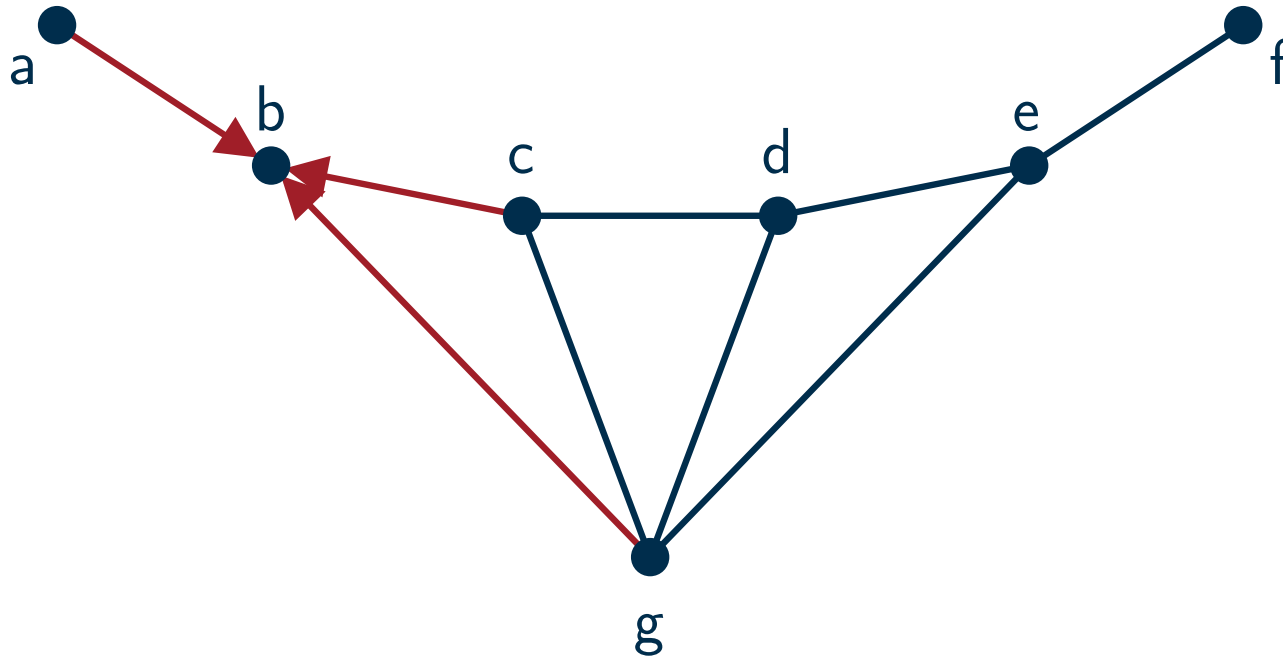


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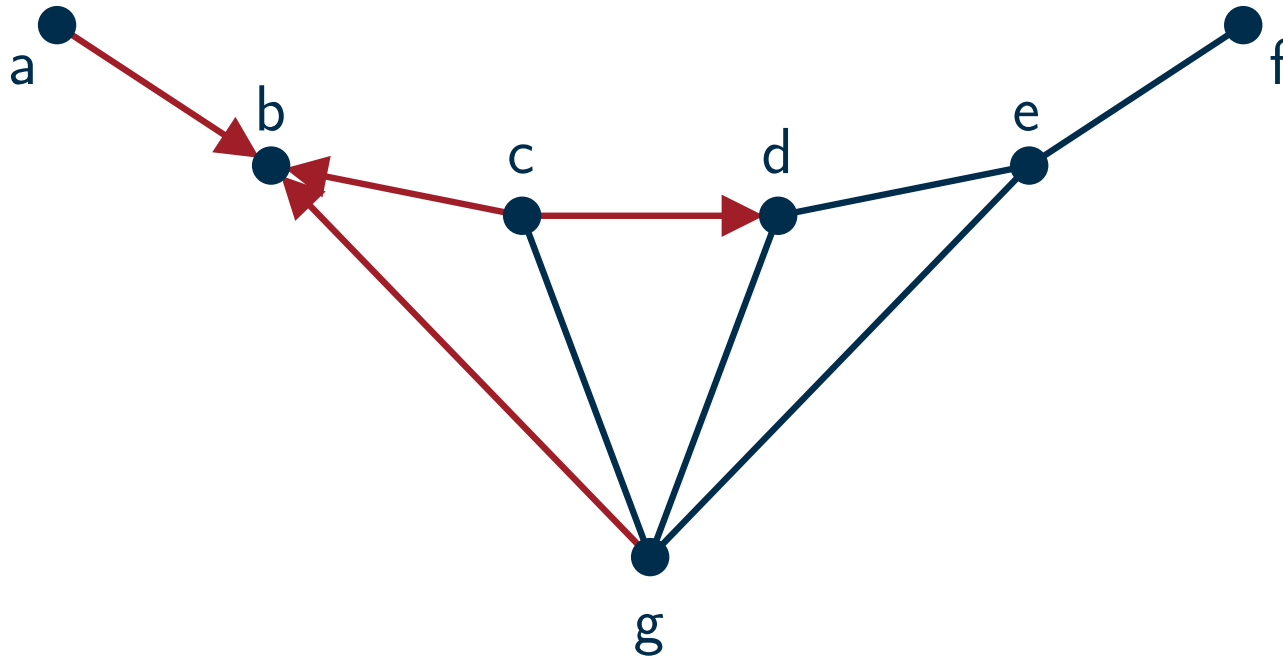
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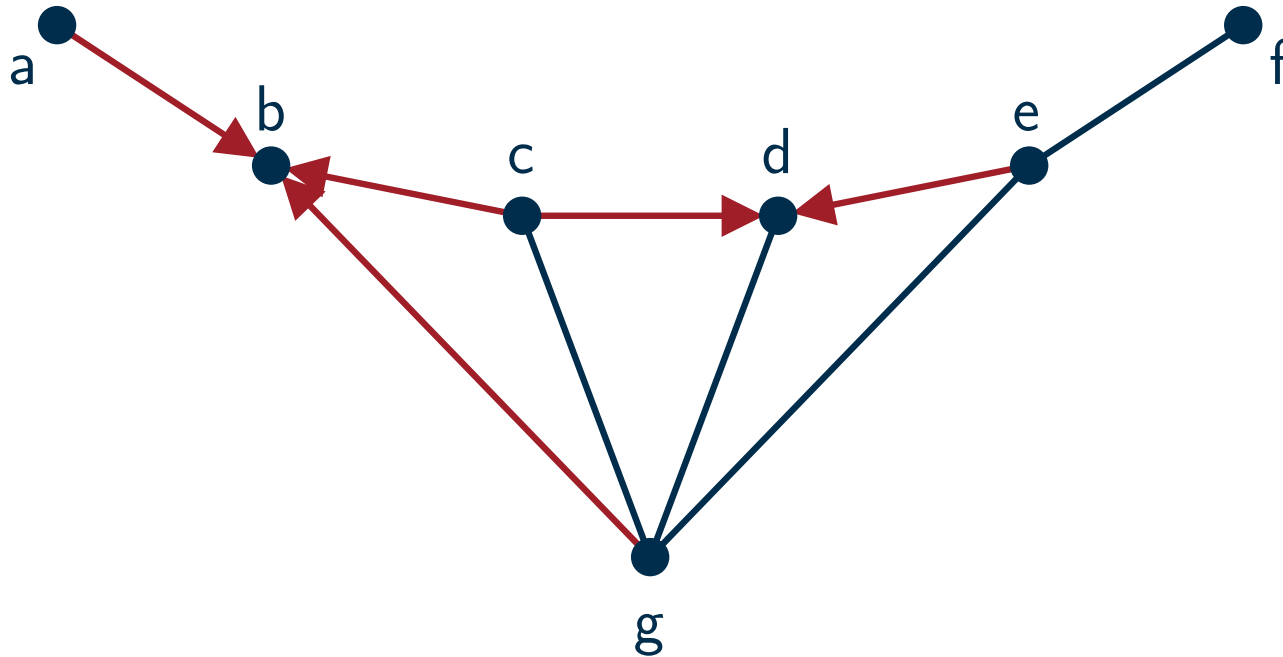
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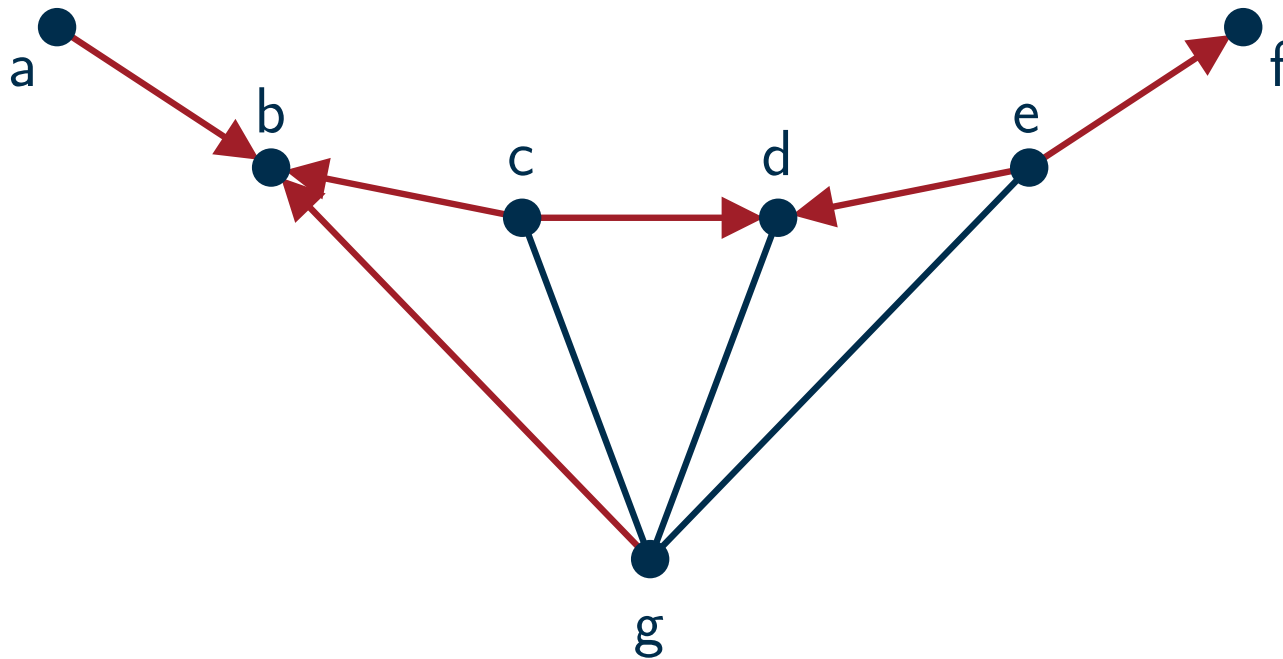
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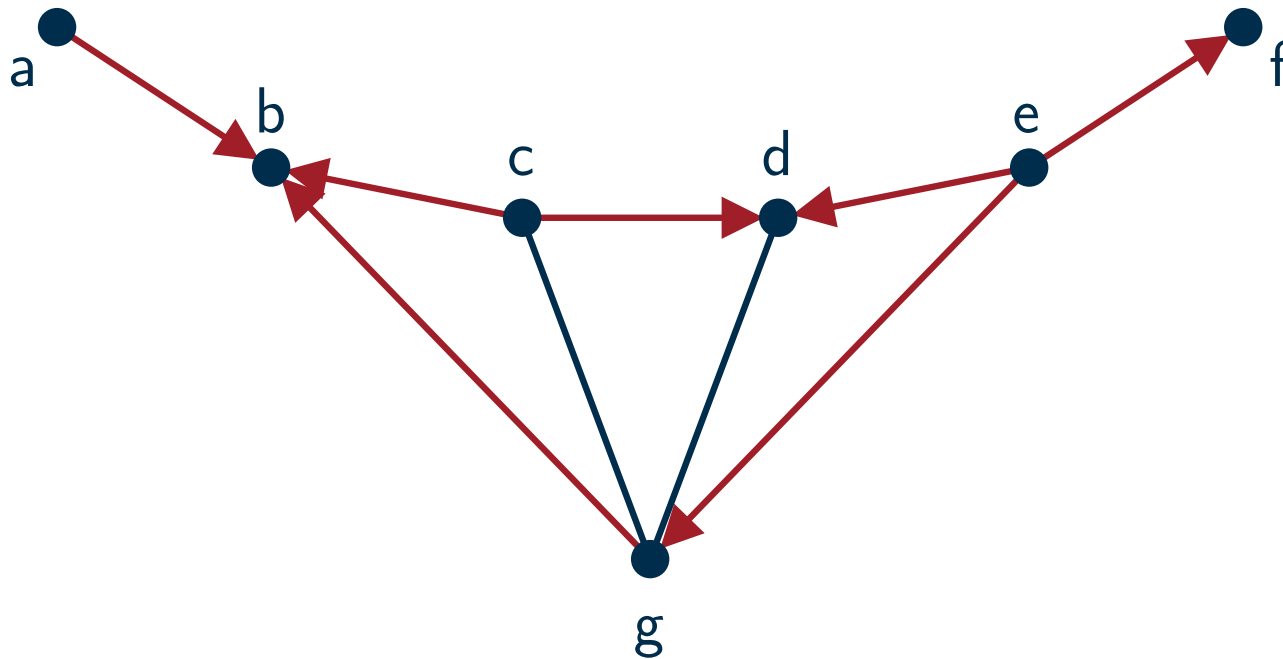
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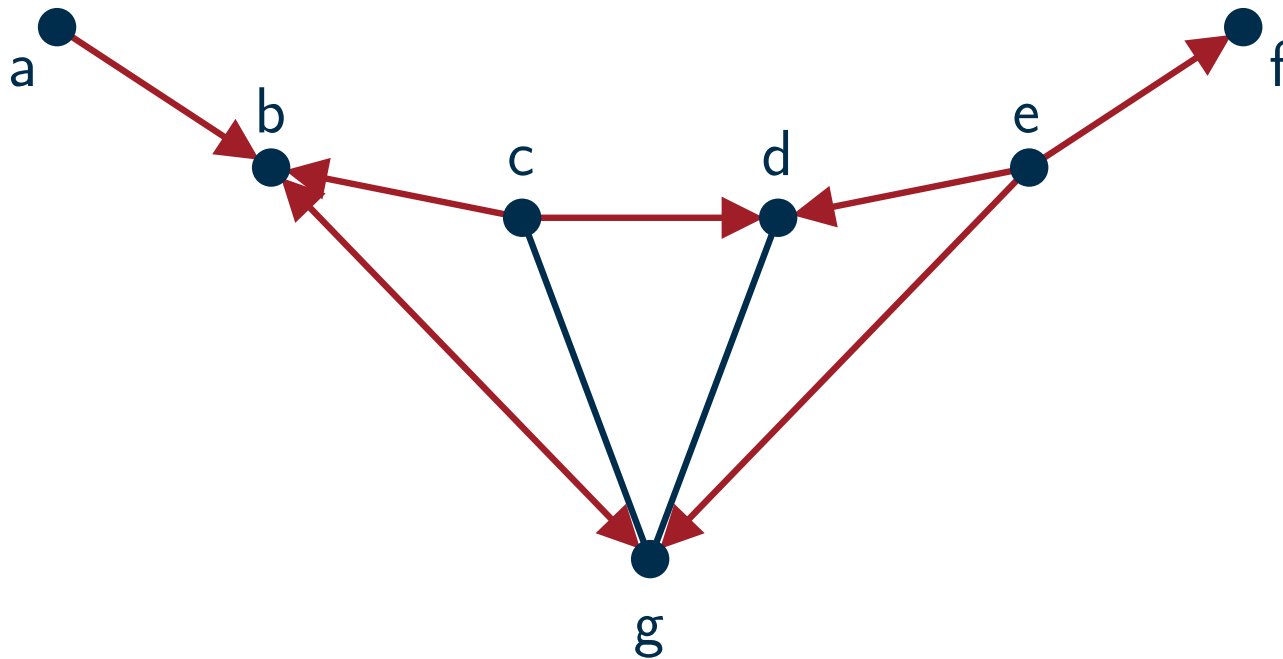
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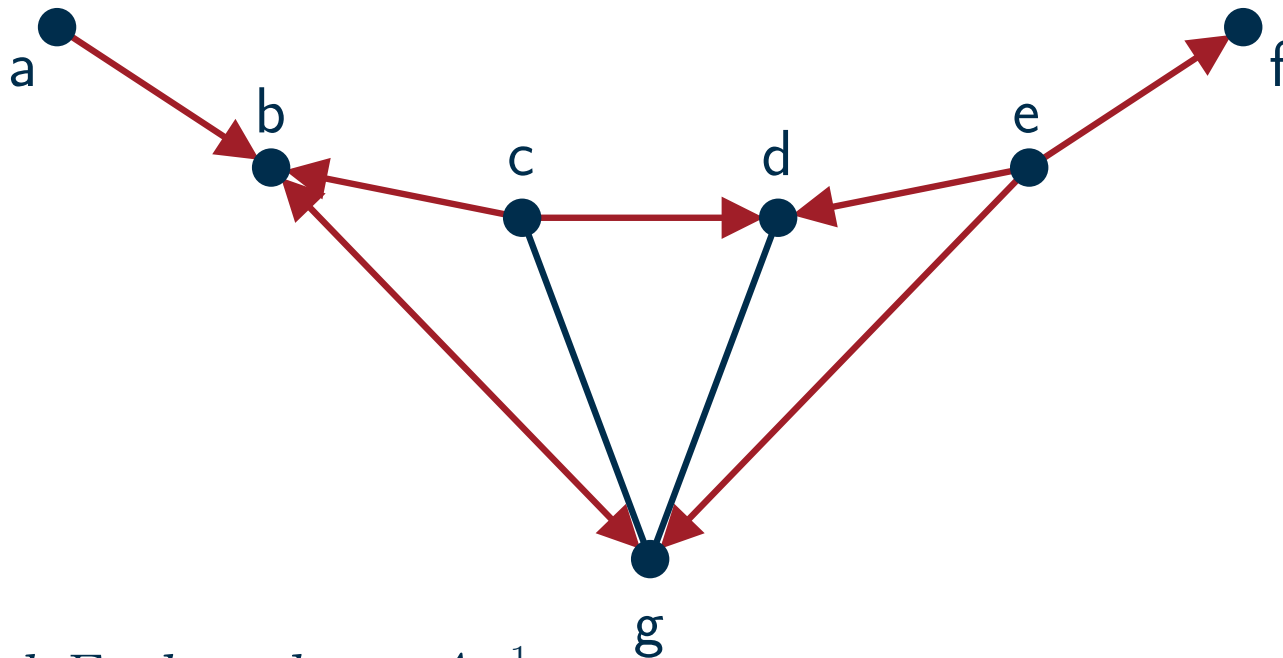


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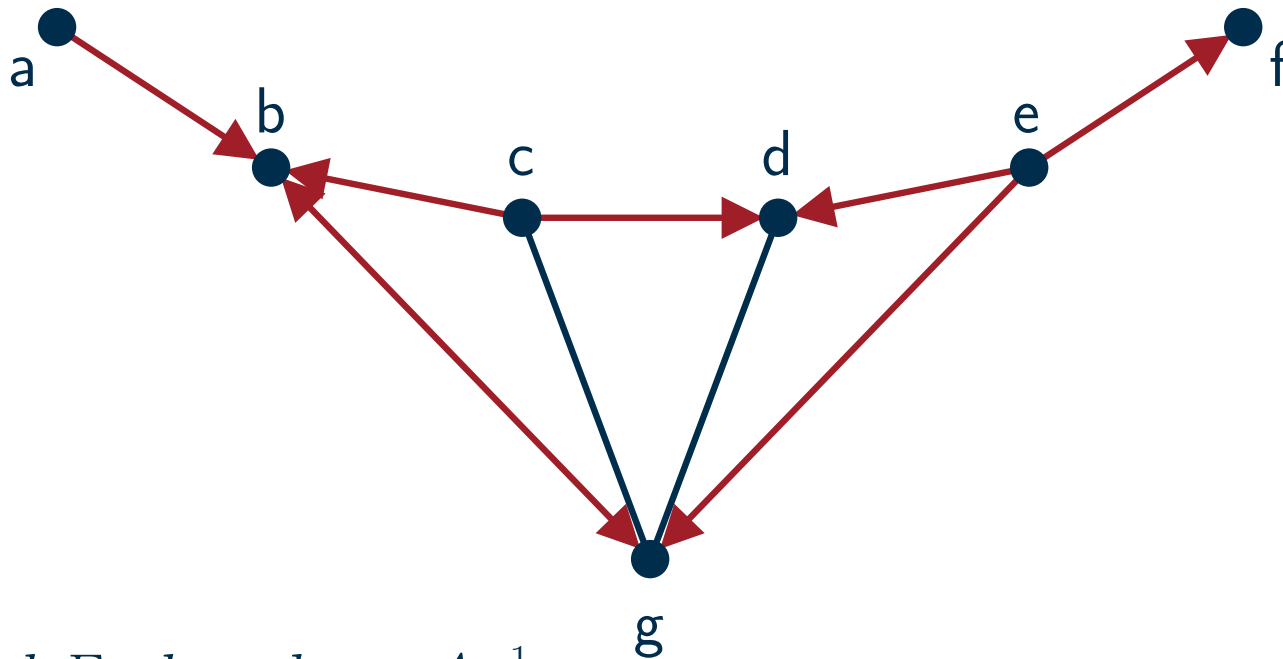
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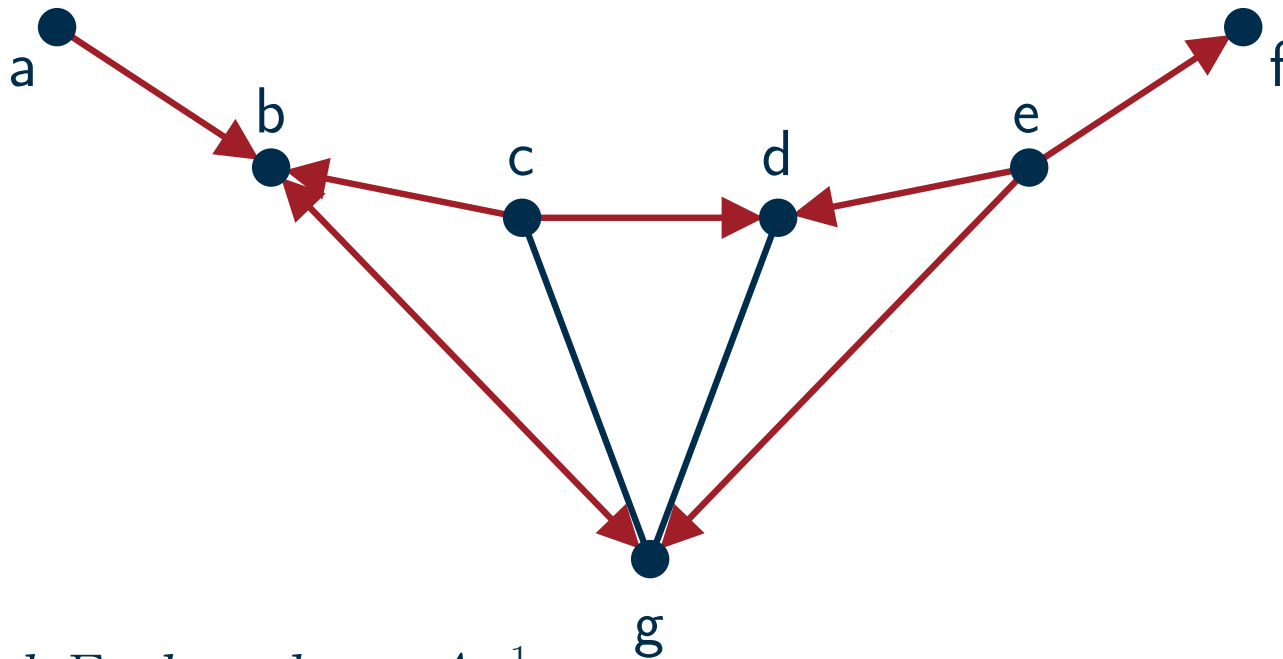
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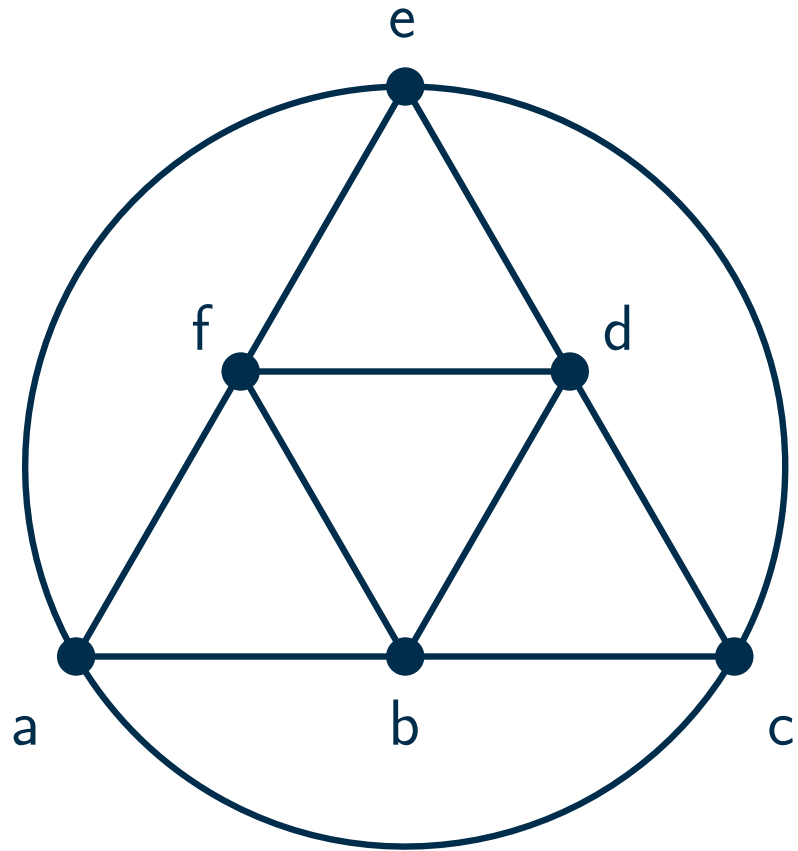
$$\begin{array}{ll} ab \Gamma gb & ed \Gamma ef \\ ab \Gamma cb & ef \Gamma eg \\ cb \Gamma cd & eg \Gamma bg \\ cd \Gamma ed & \end{array}$$

$$ab \Gamma gb \Rightarrow bg \in A^{-1}$$

$$ab \Gamma^* bg \Rightarrow bg \in A$$

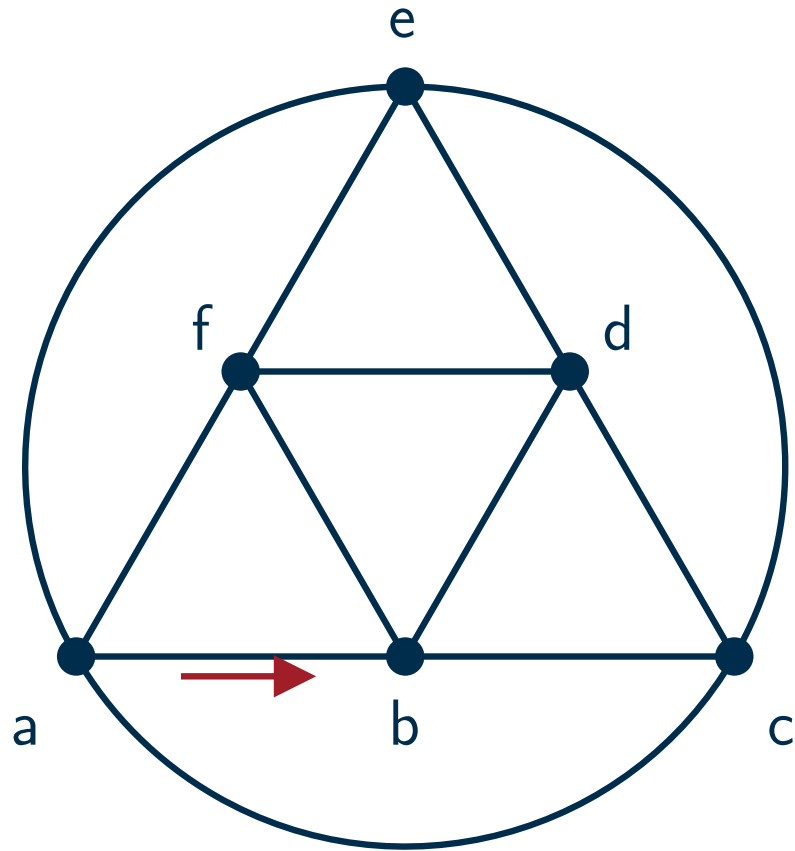
Therefore, we have $A \cap A^{-1} \neq \emptyset$ and thus $A = A^{-1}$.

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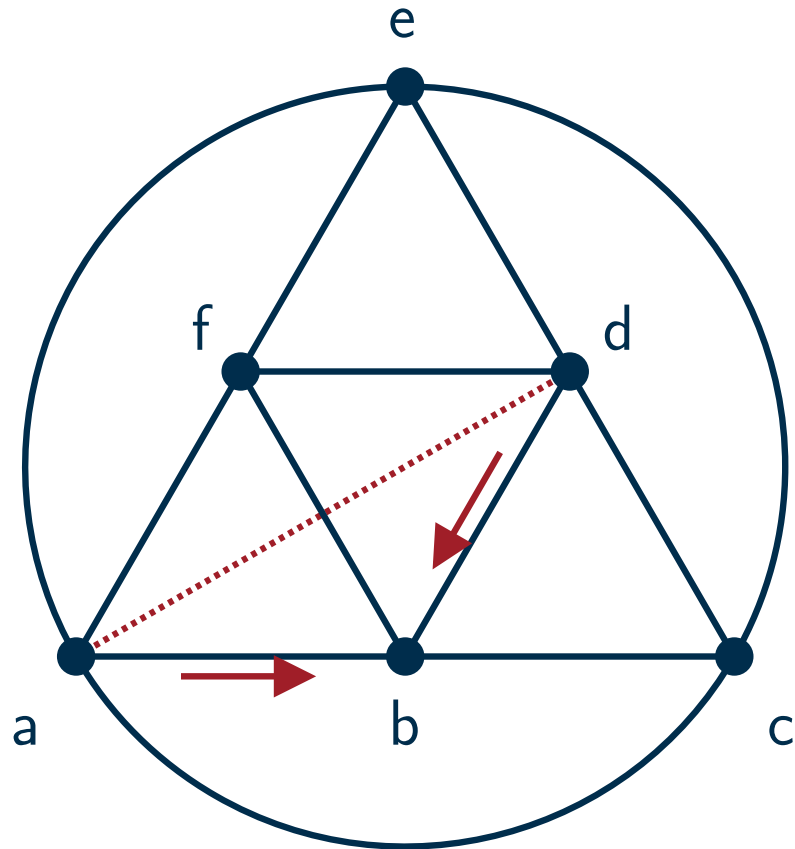
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compute implication class of ab



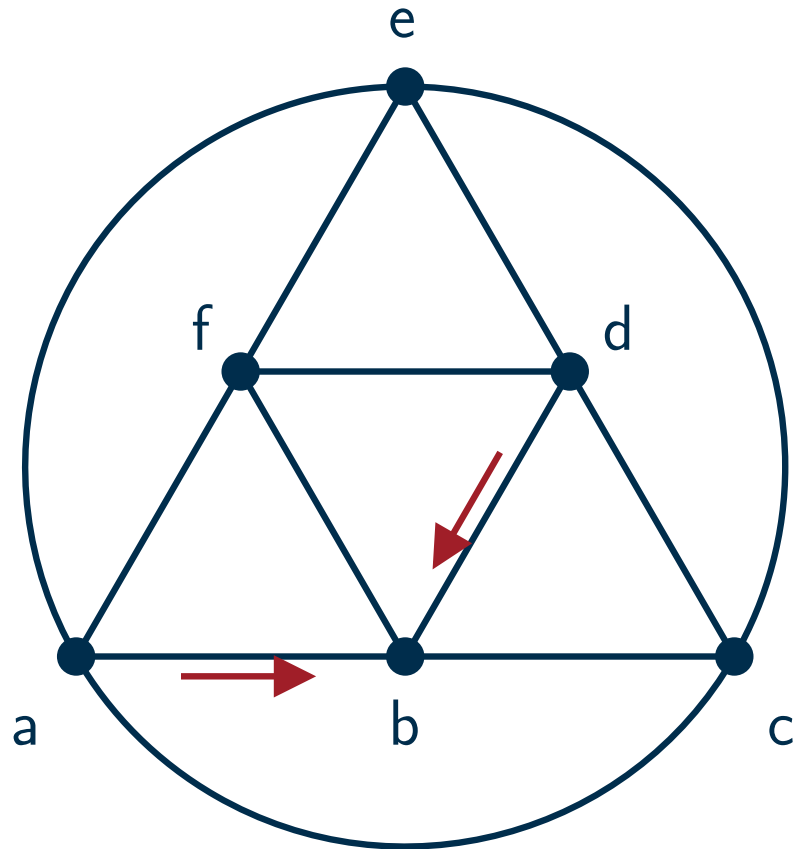
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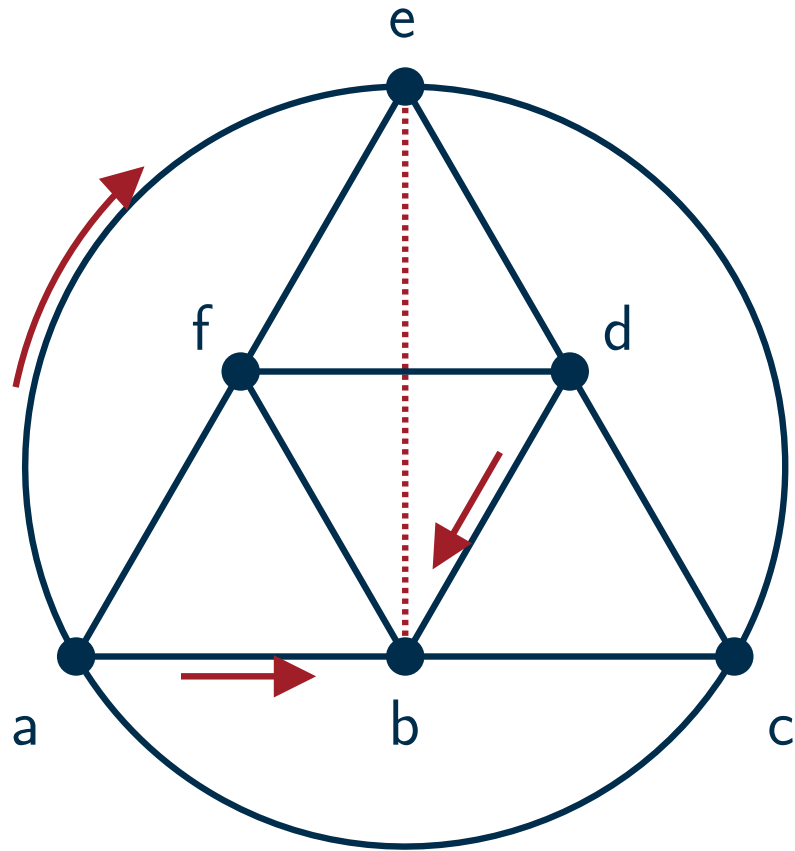
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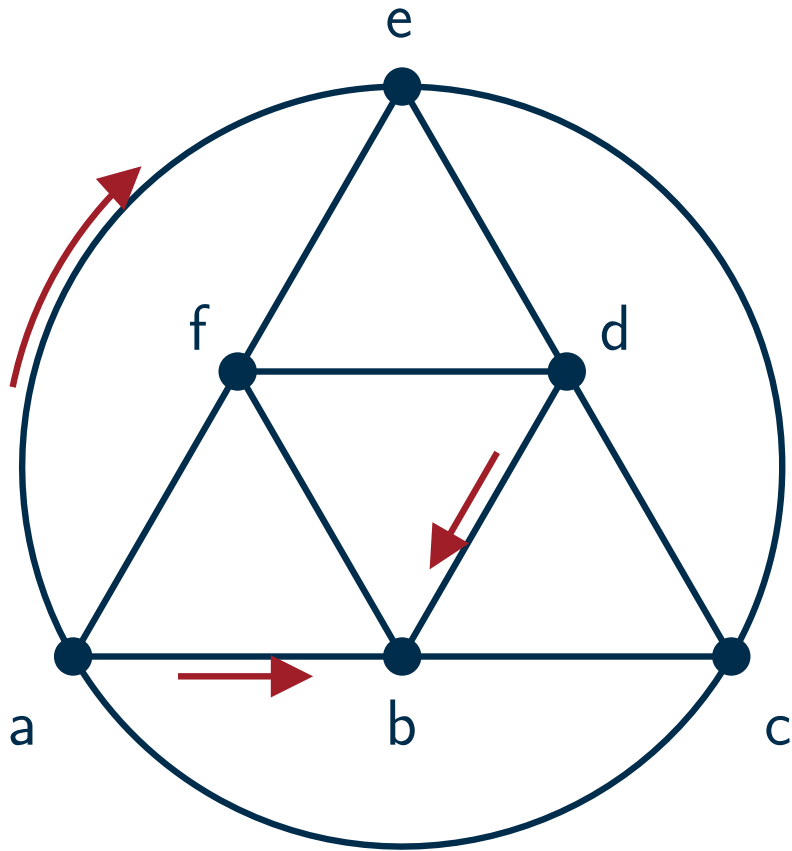
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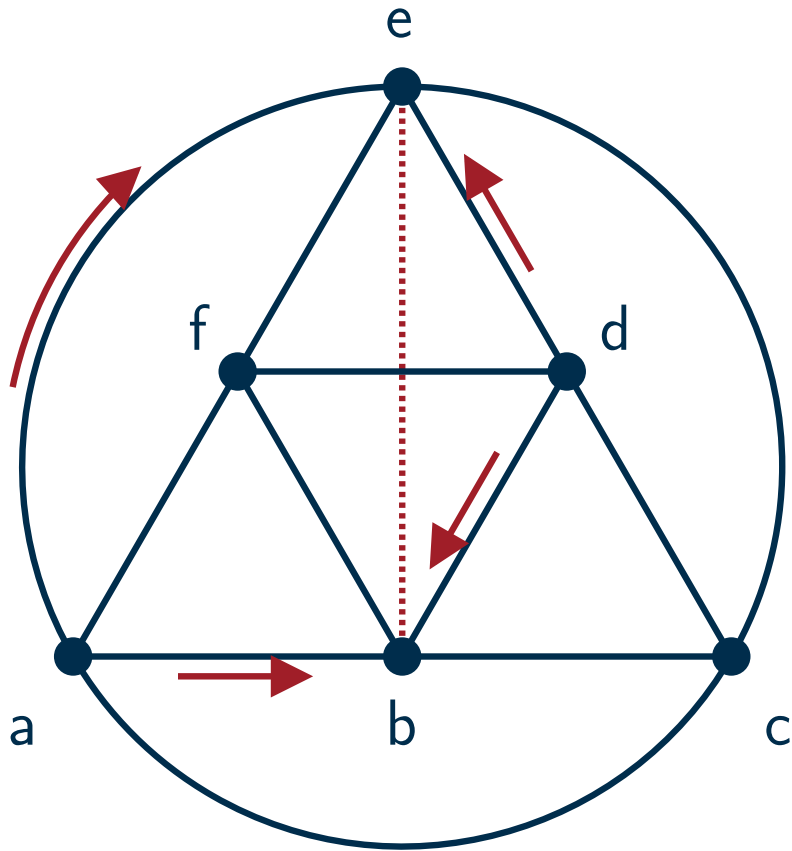
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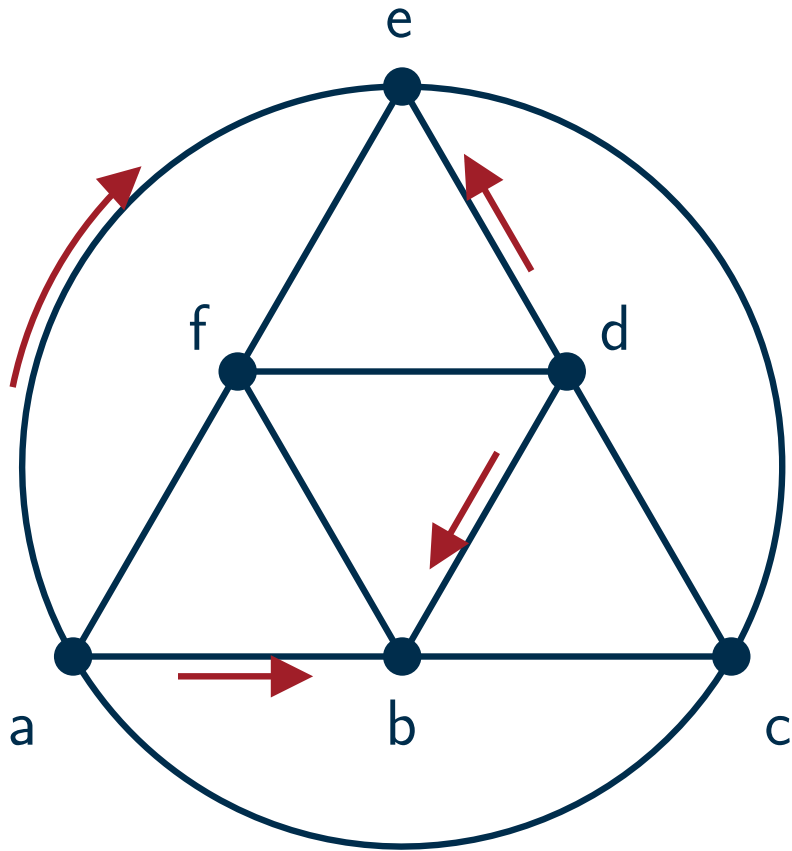
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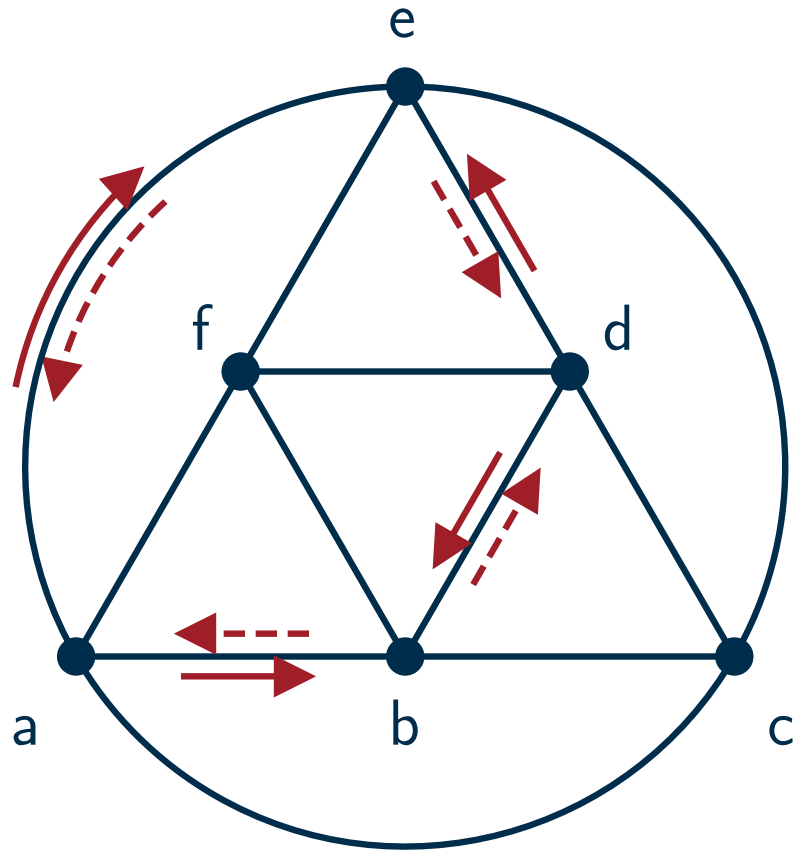
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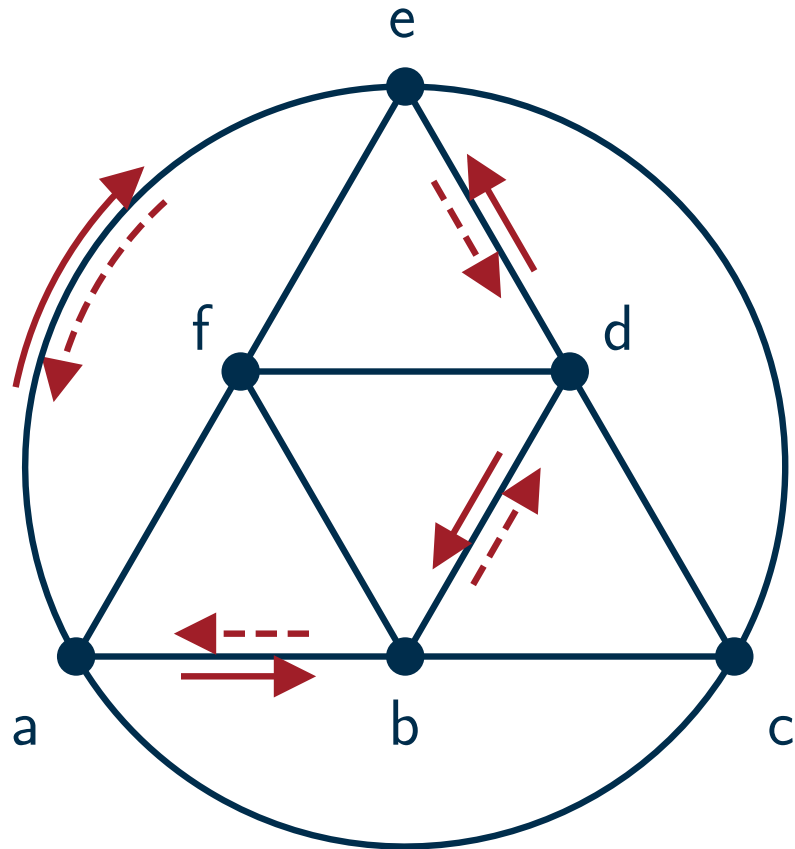


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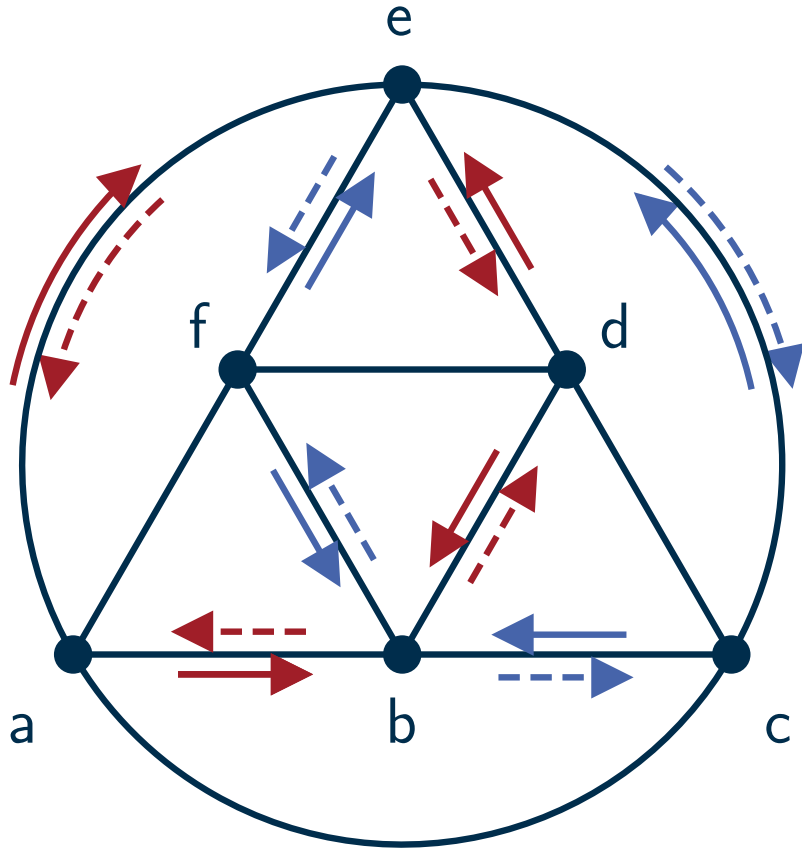


compute implication class of ab

$$A_1 = \{ab, ae, db, de\}$$

$$A_1^{-1} = \{ba, ea, bd, ed\}$$

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compute implication class of ab

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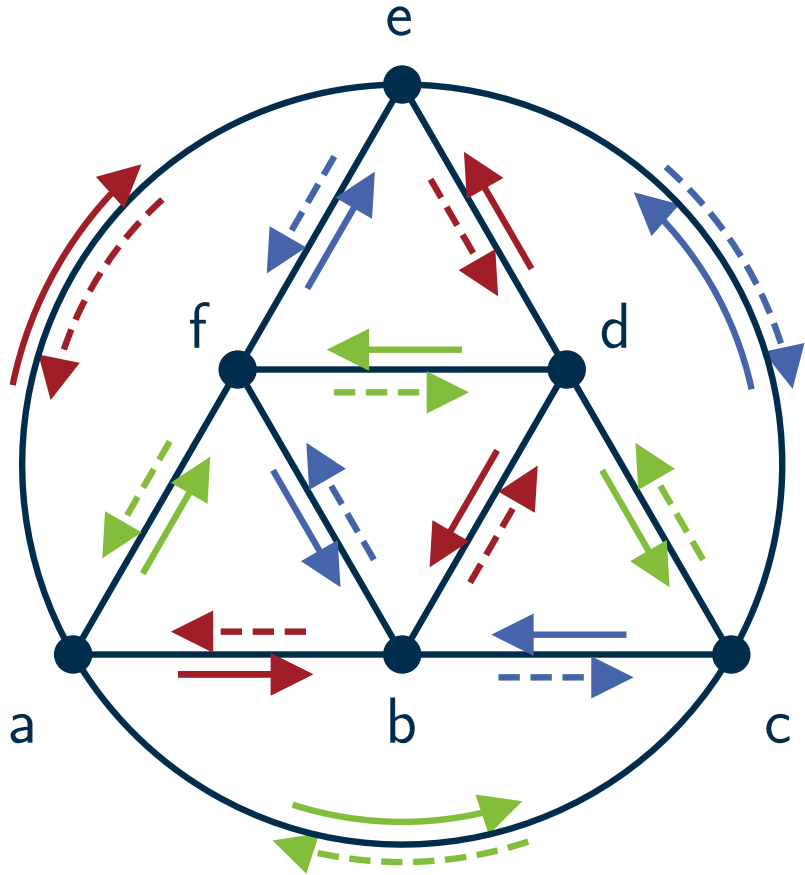
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by symmetry we get:

$$A_2 = \{cb, ce, fe, fb\}$$

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compute implication class of ab

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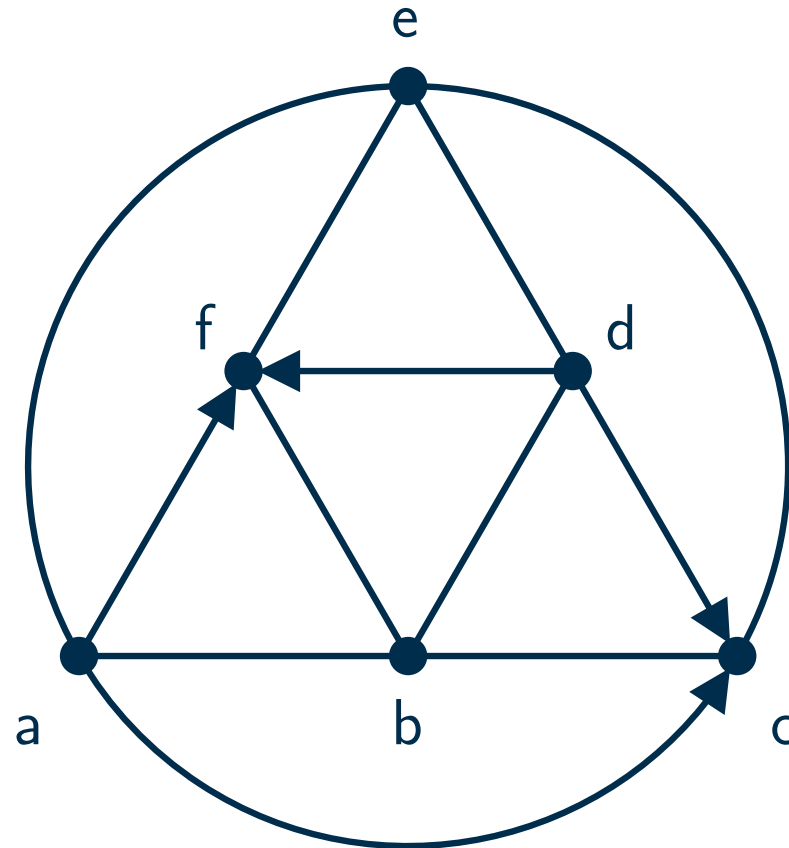
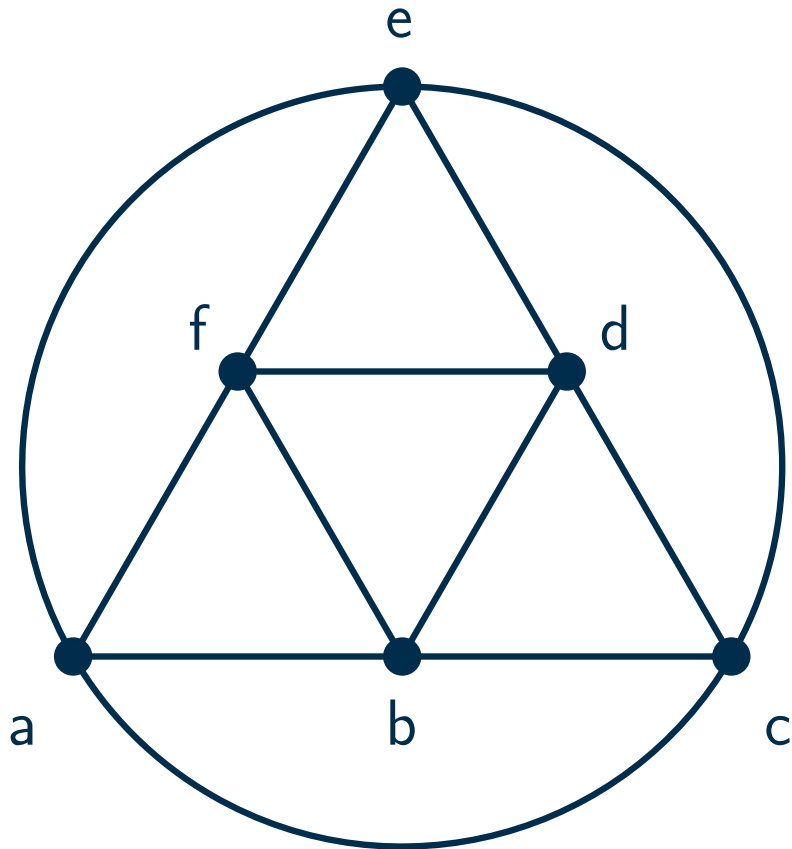
$$A_3 = \{ac, af, dc, df\}$$

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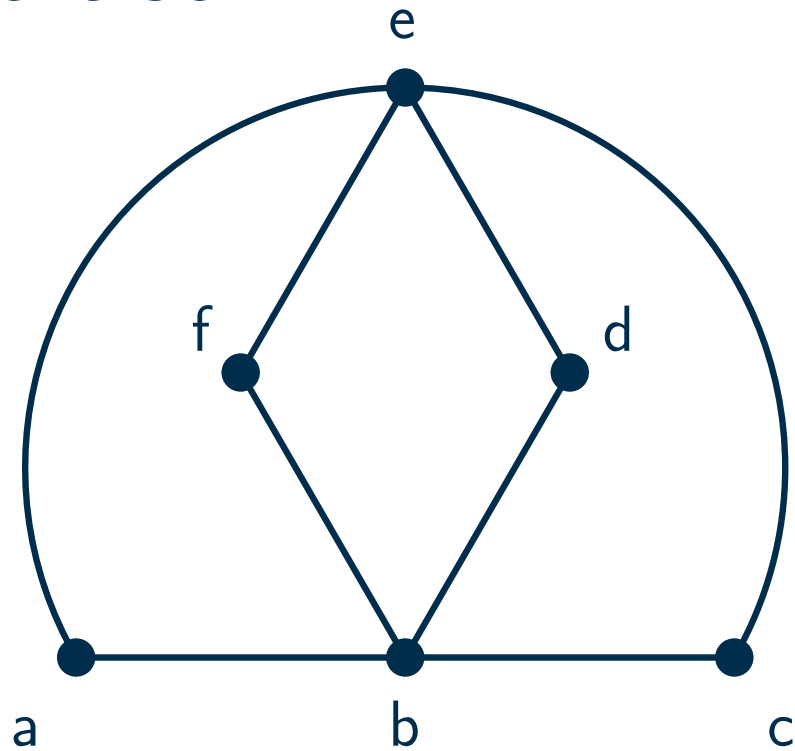
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choose an implication class

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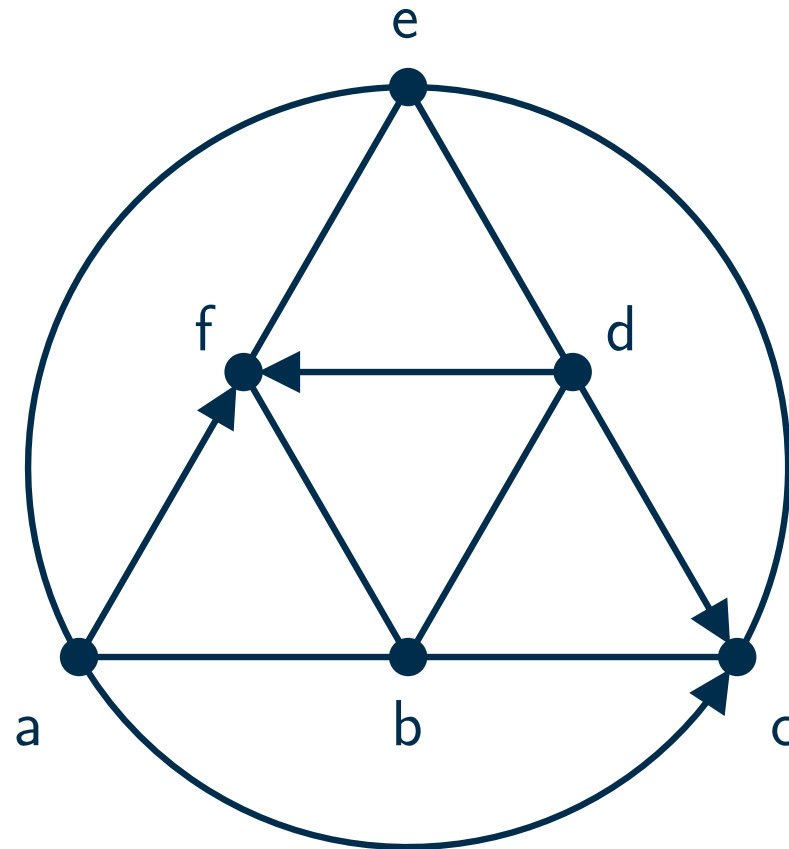


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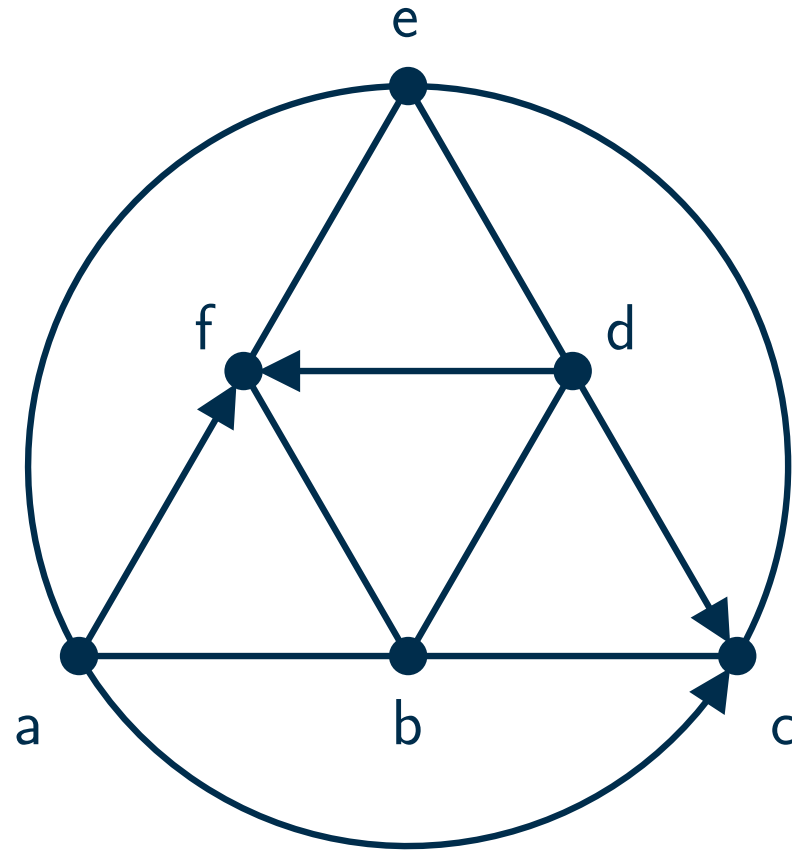
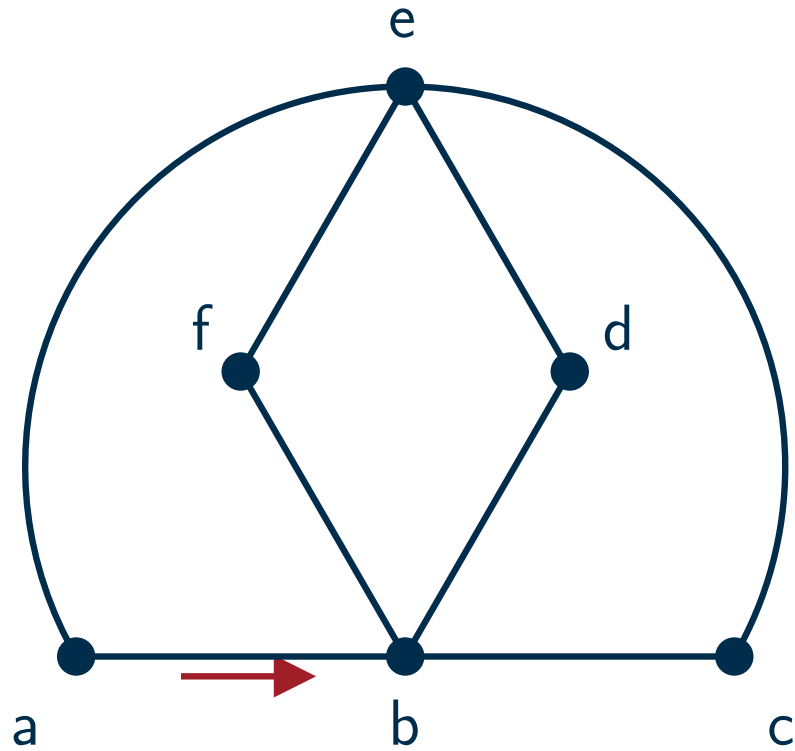
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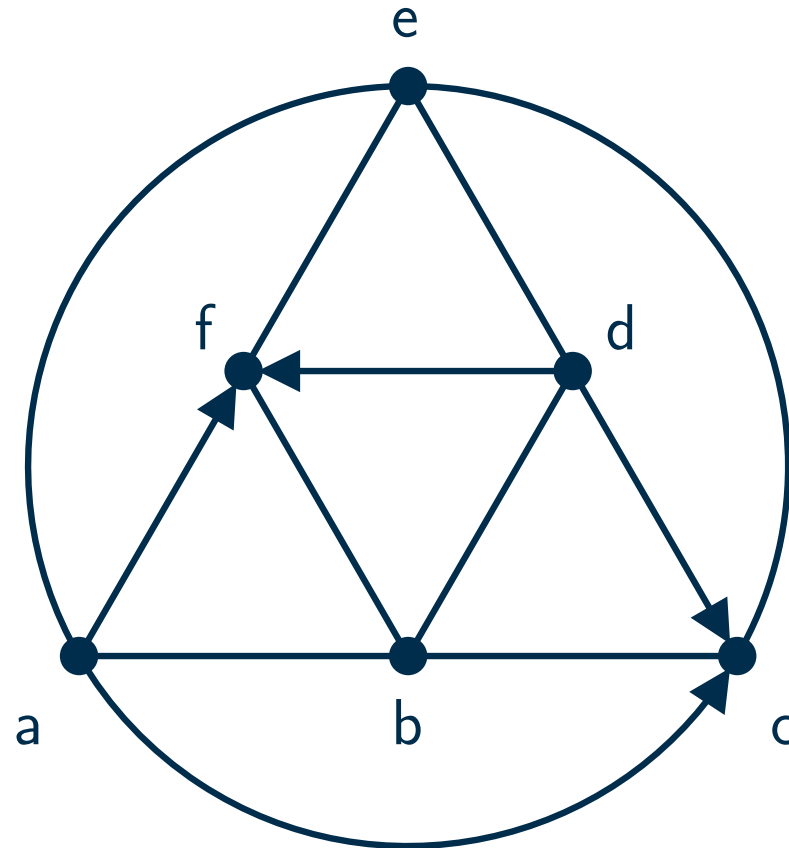
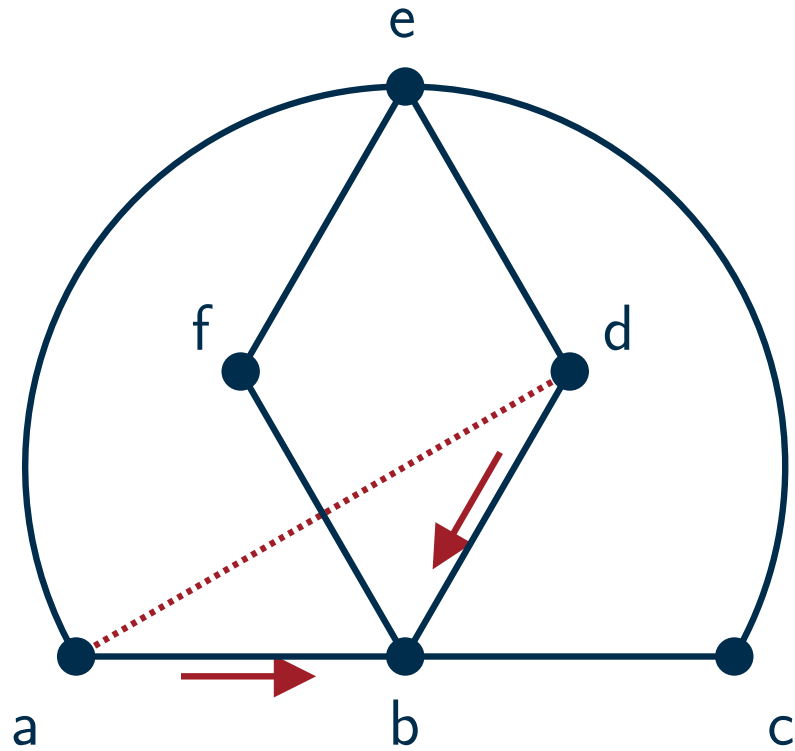
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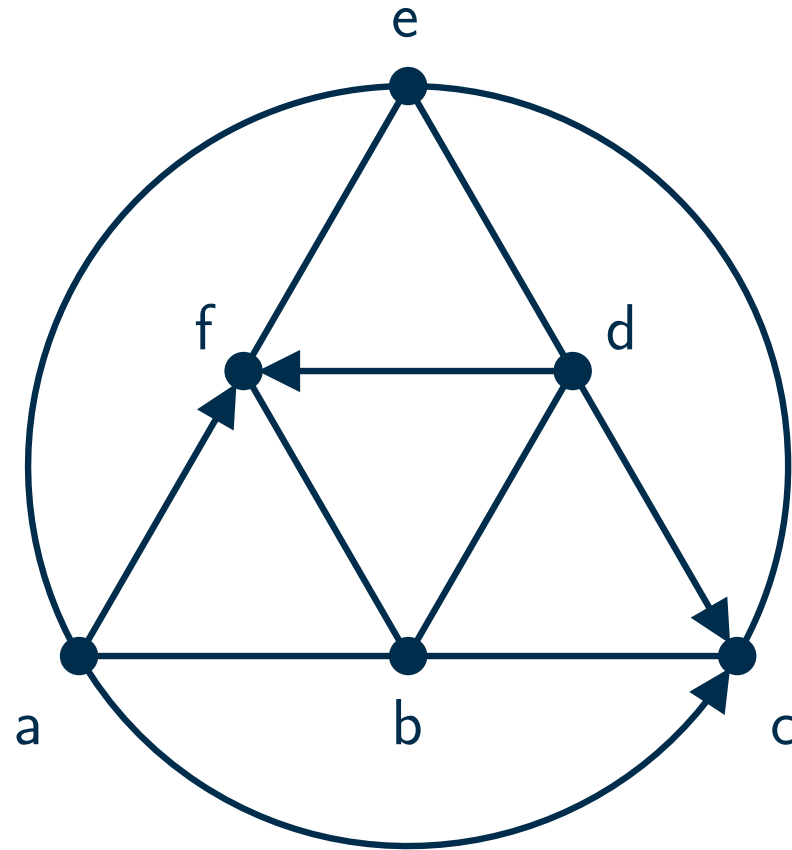
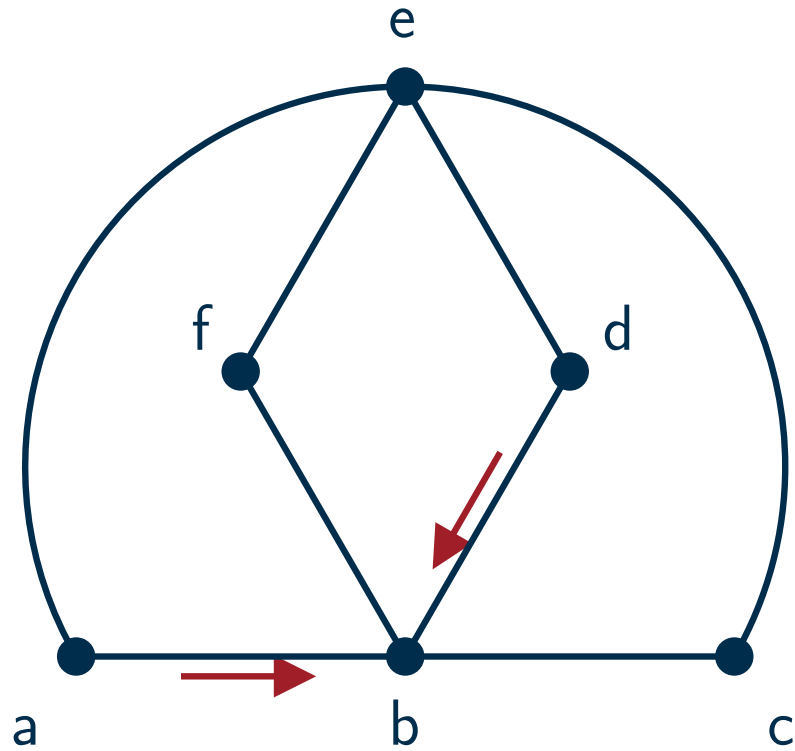
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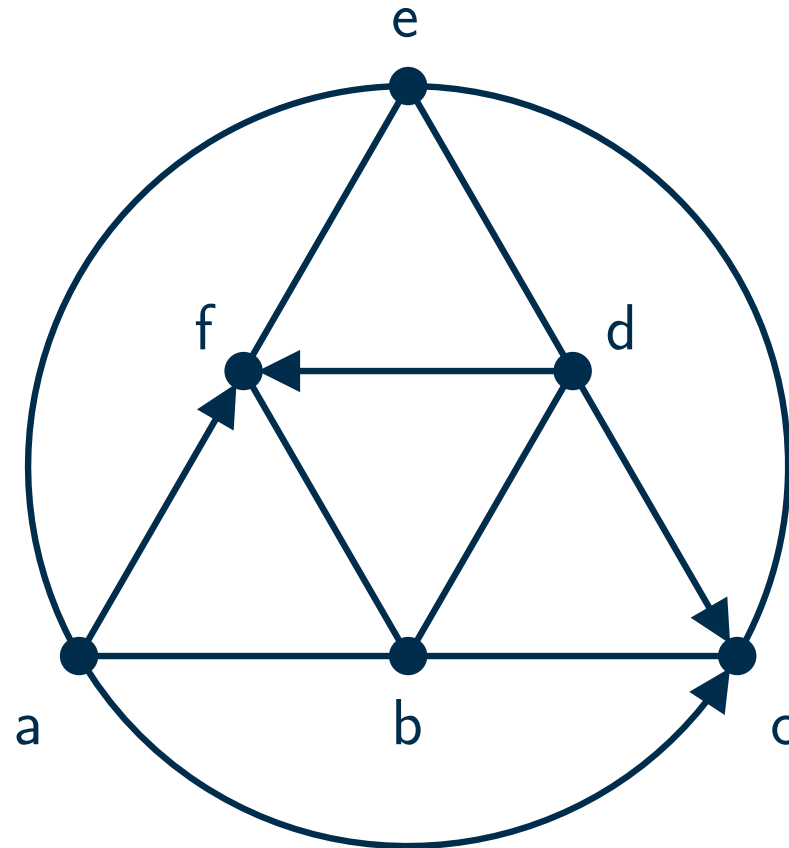
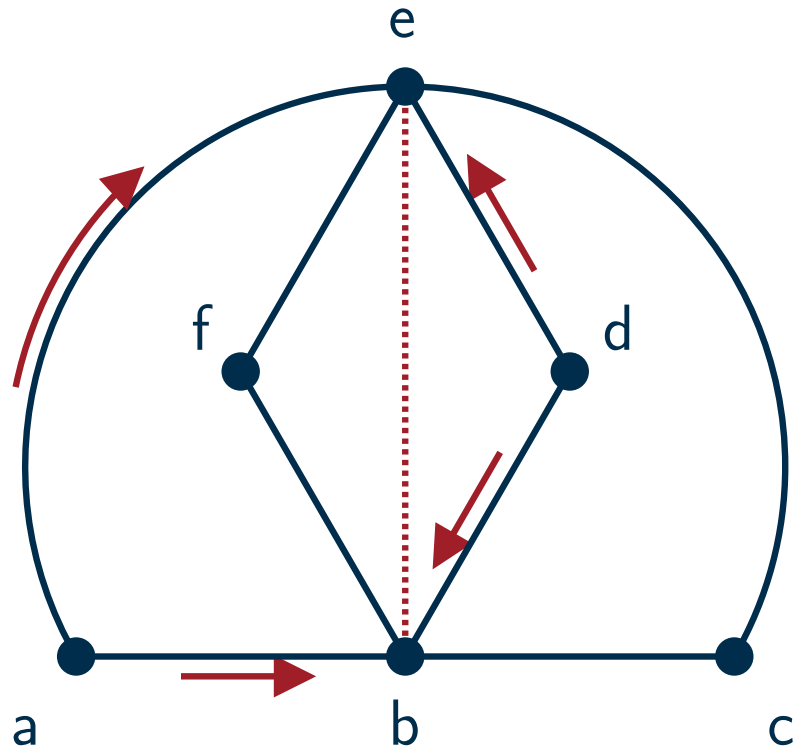
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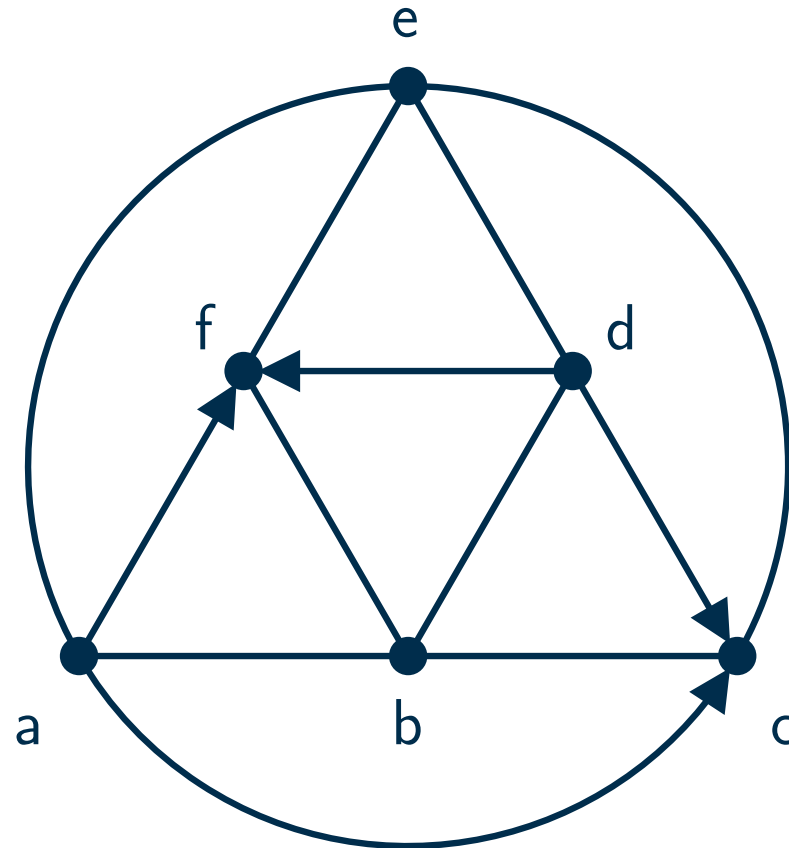
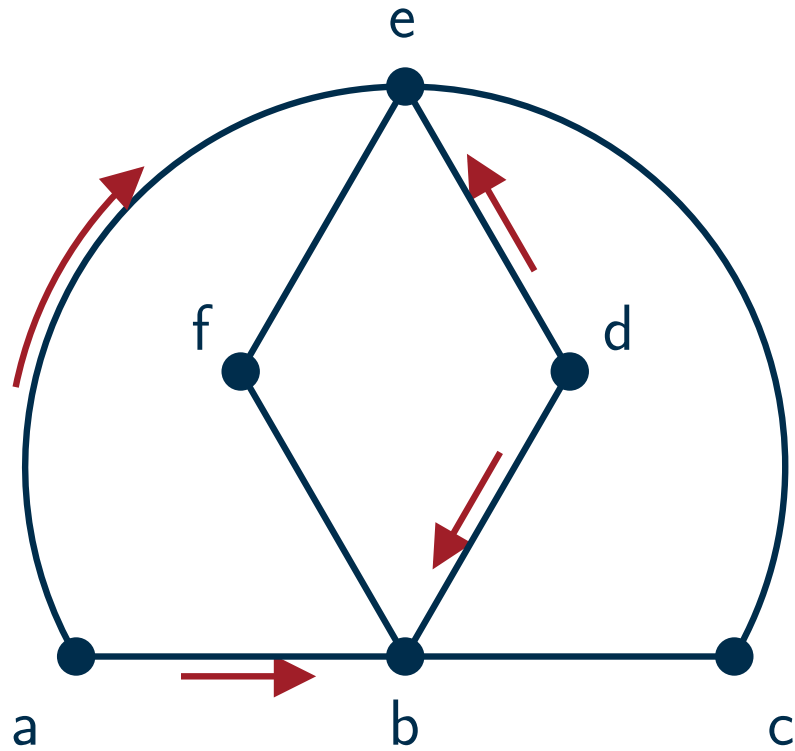
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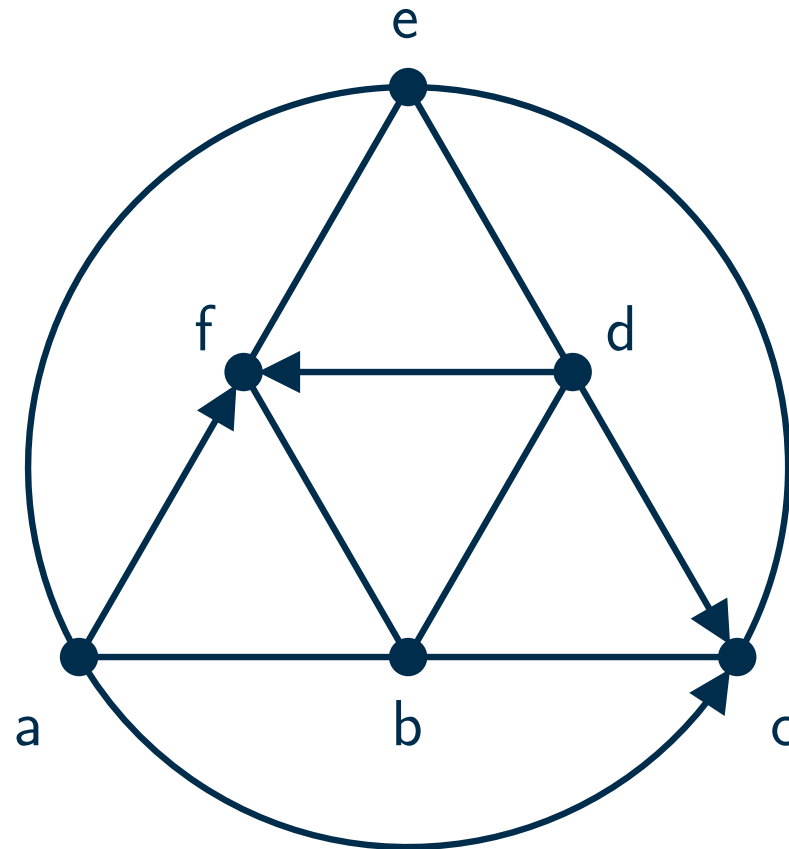
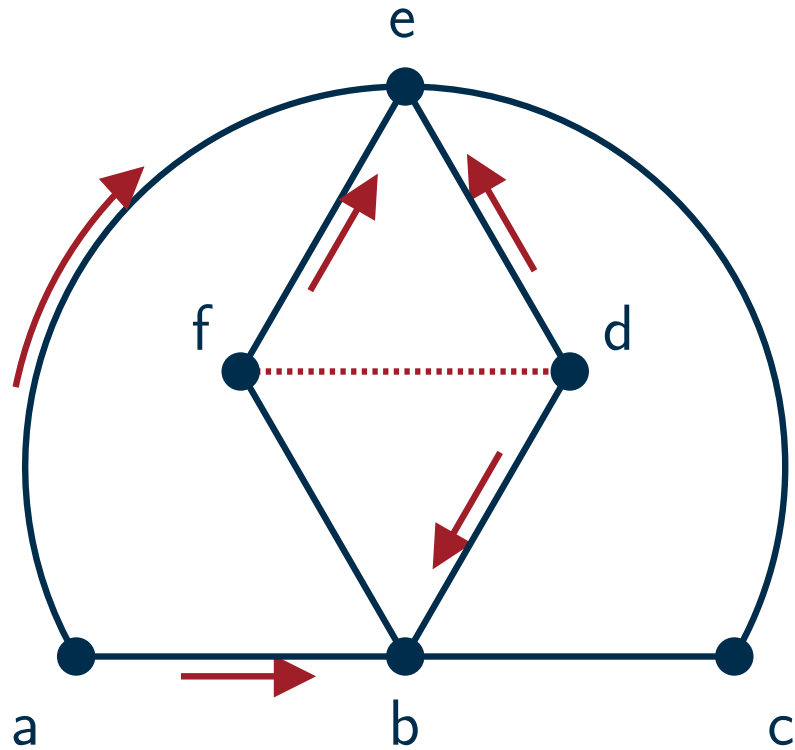
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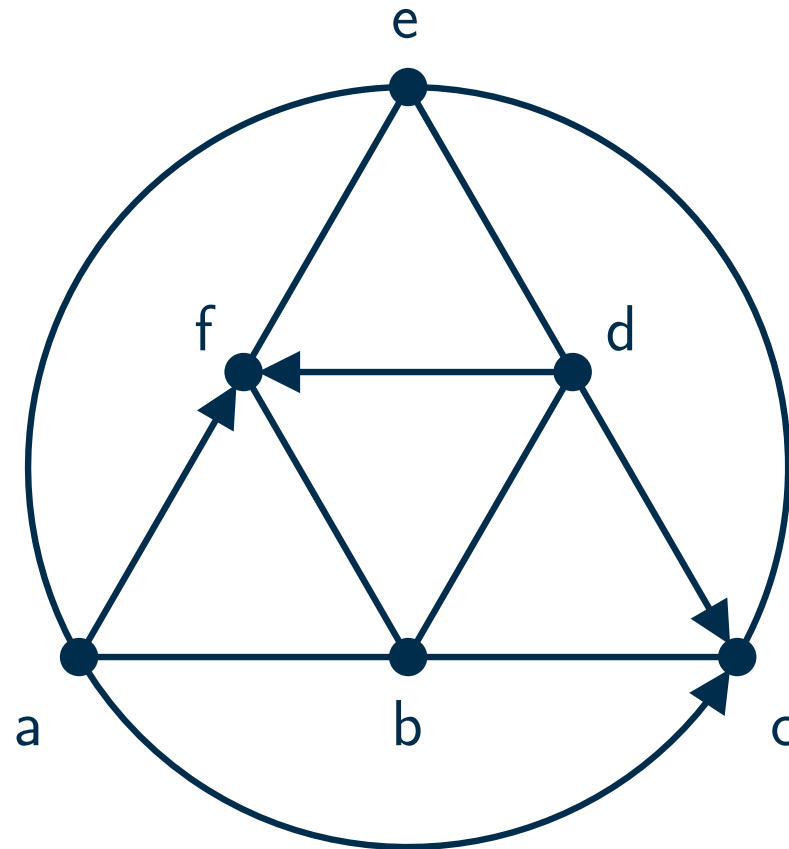
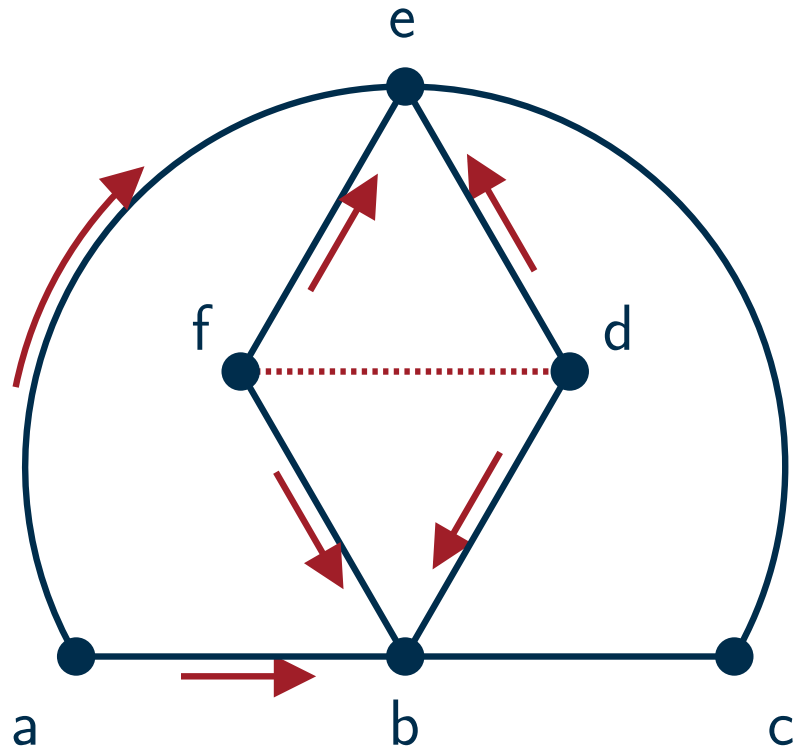
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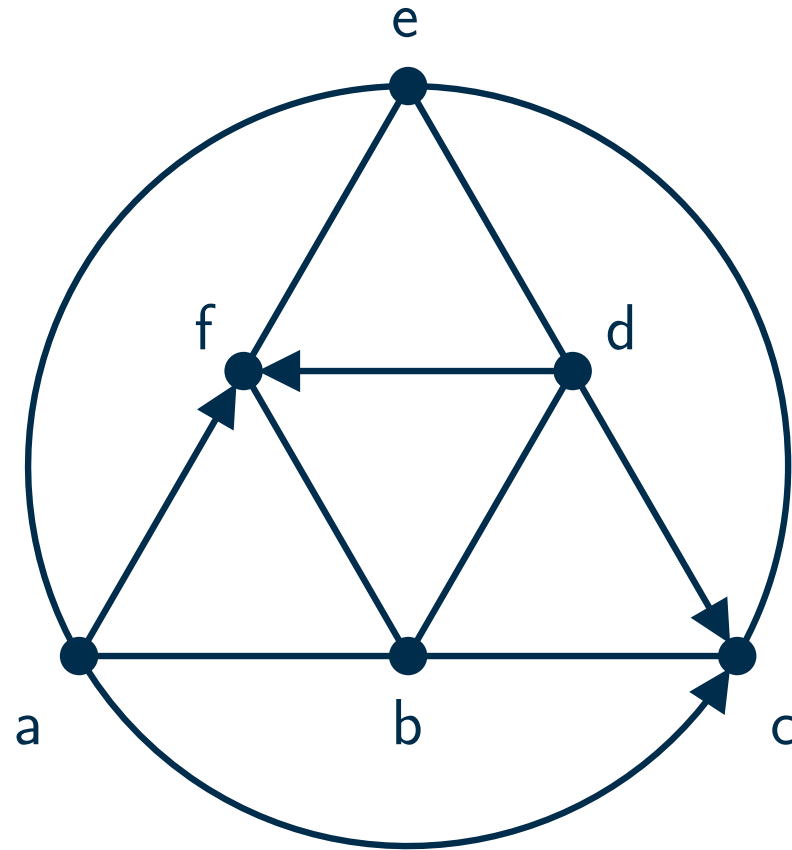
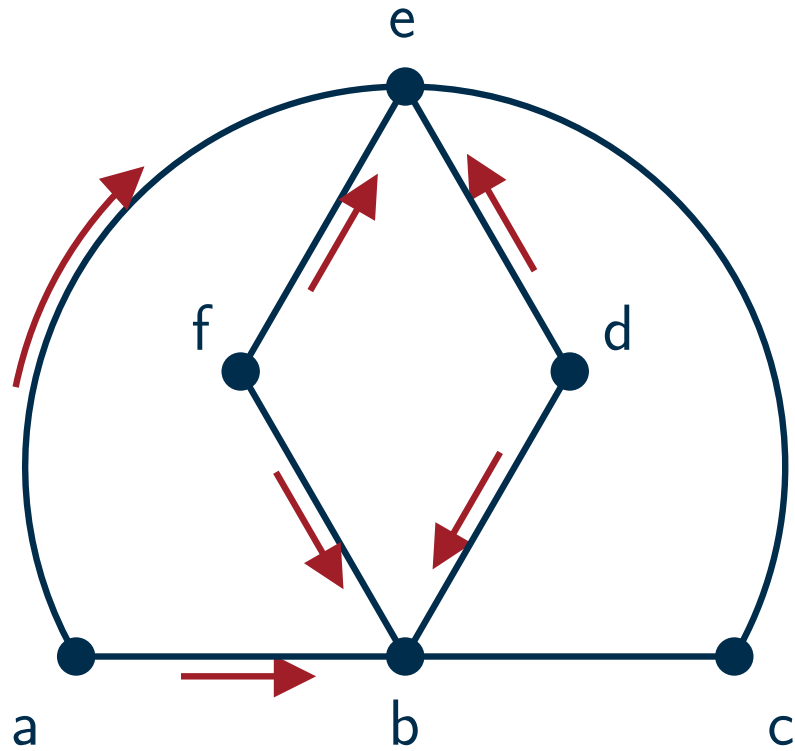
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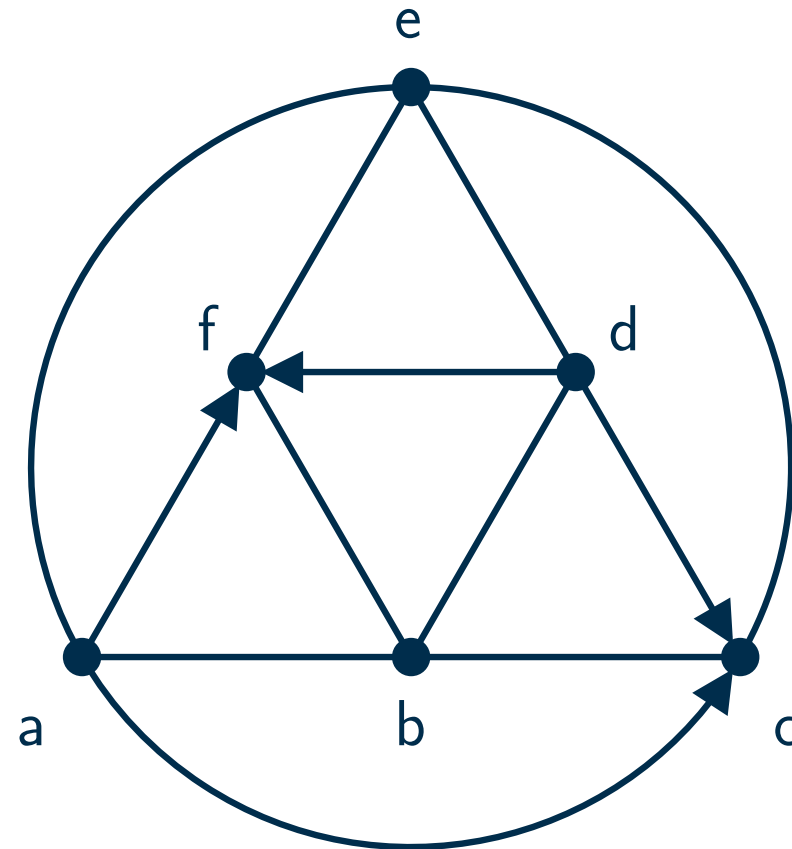
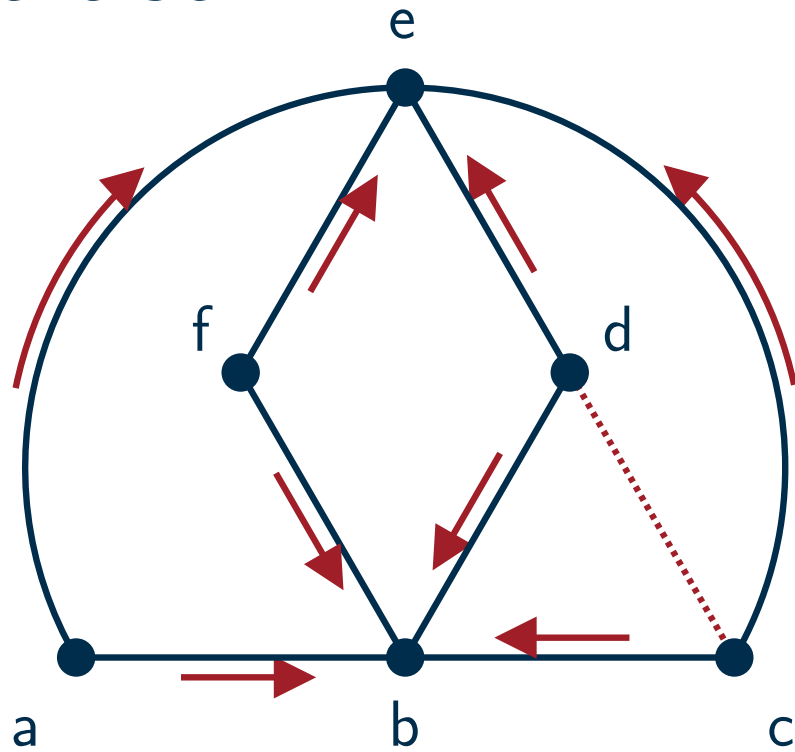
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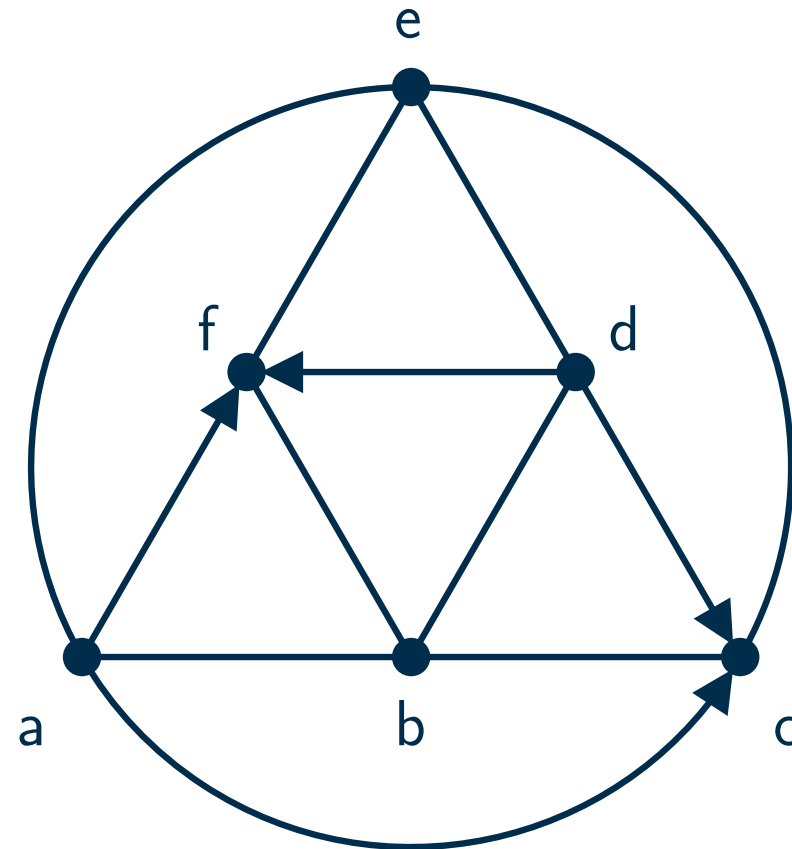
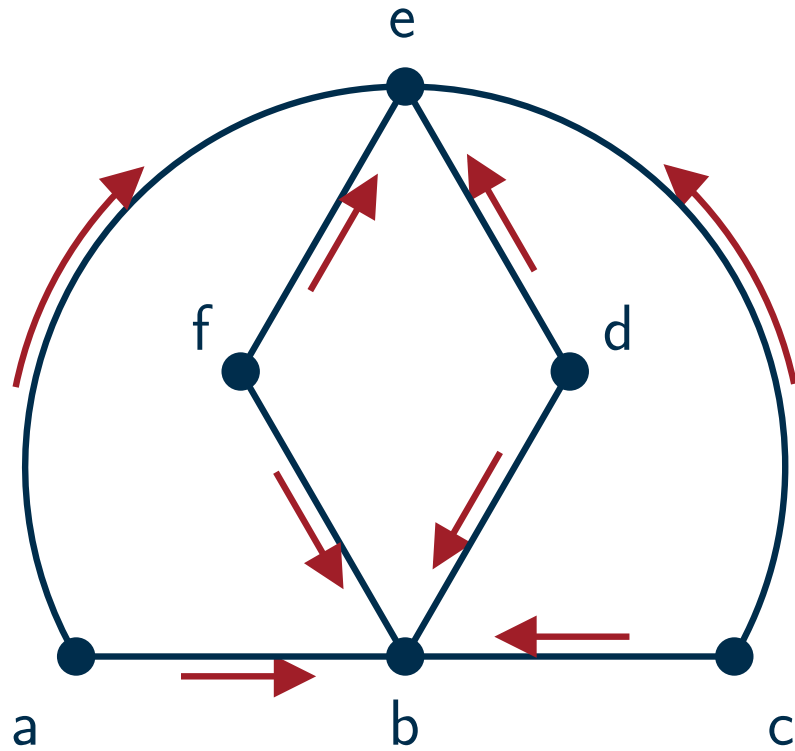
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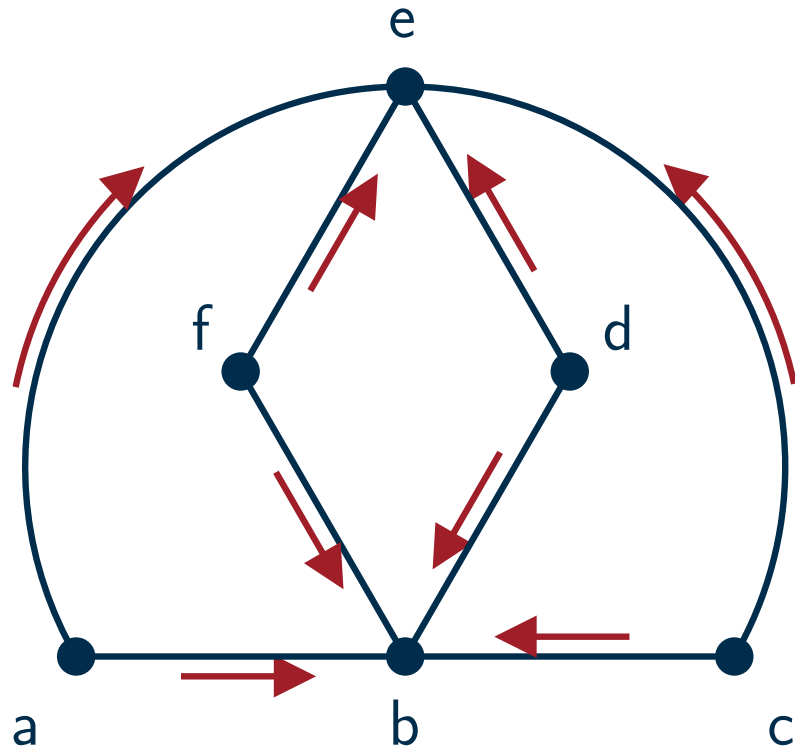


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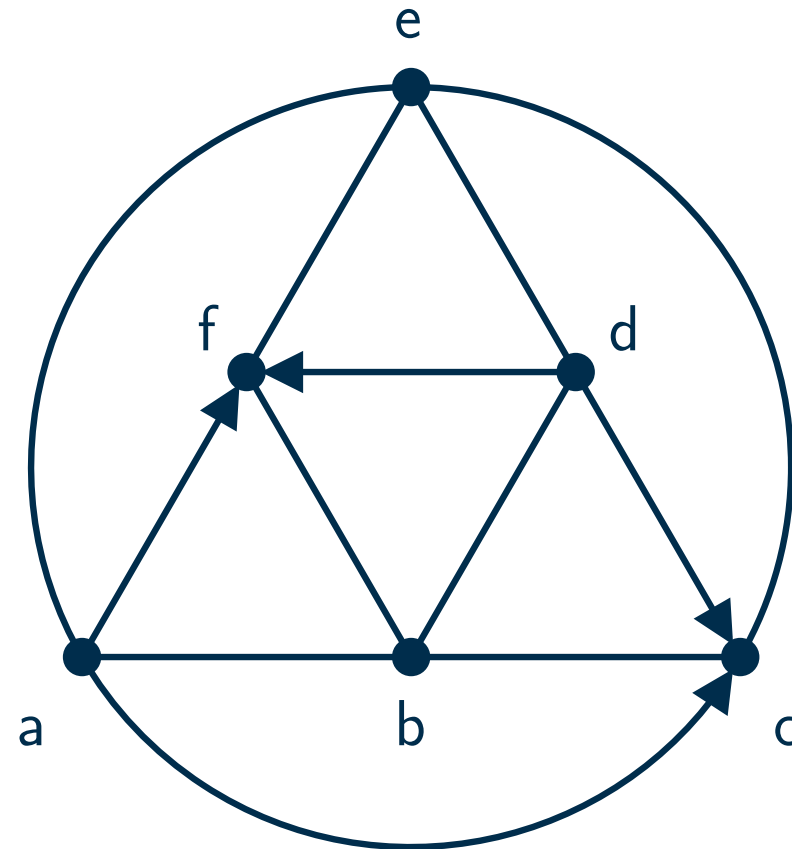


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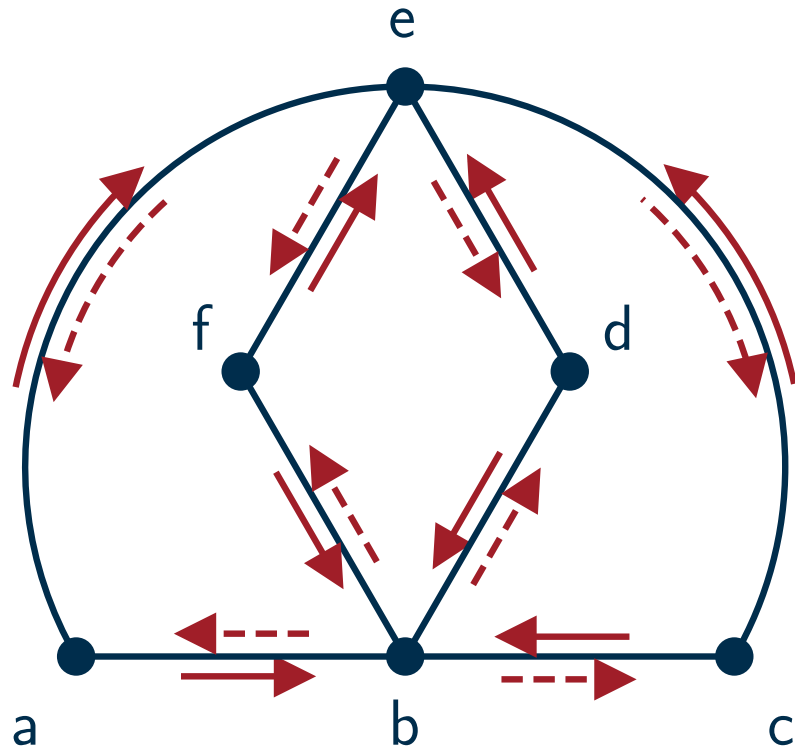


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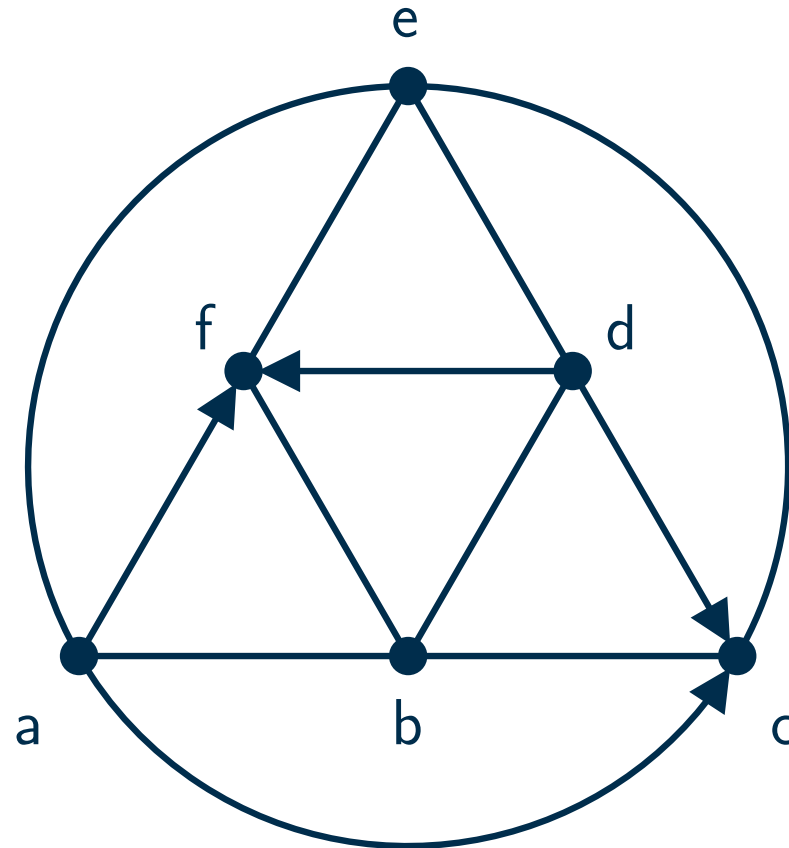
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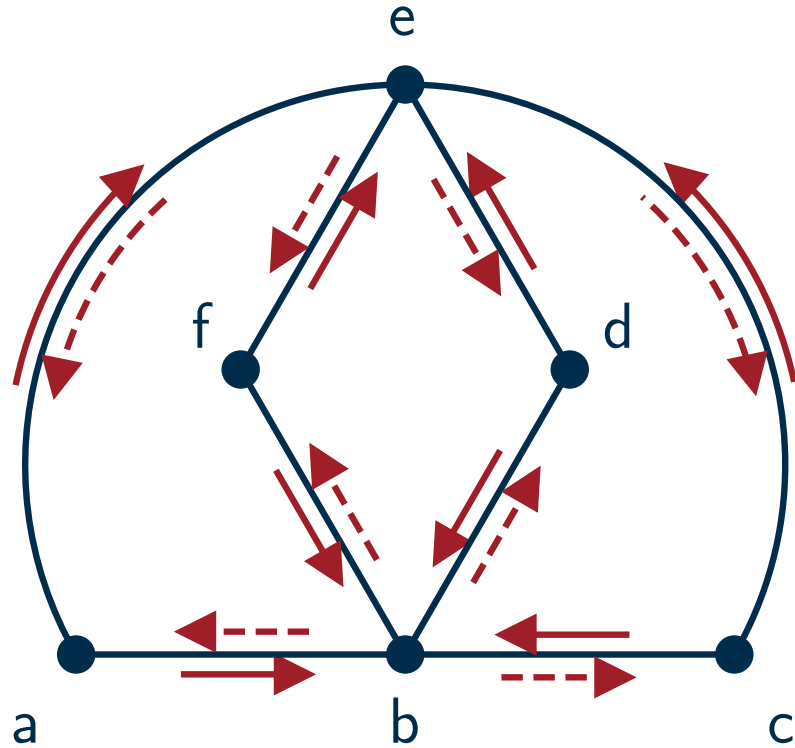
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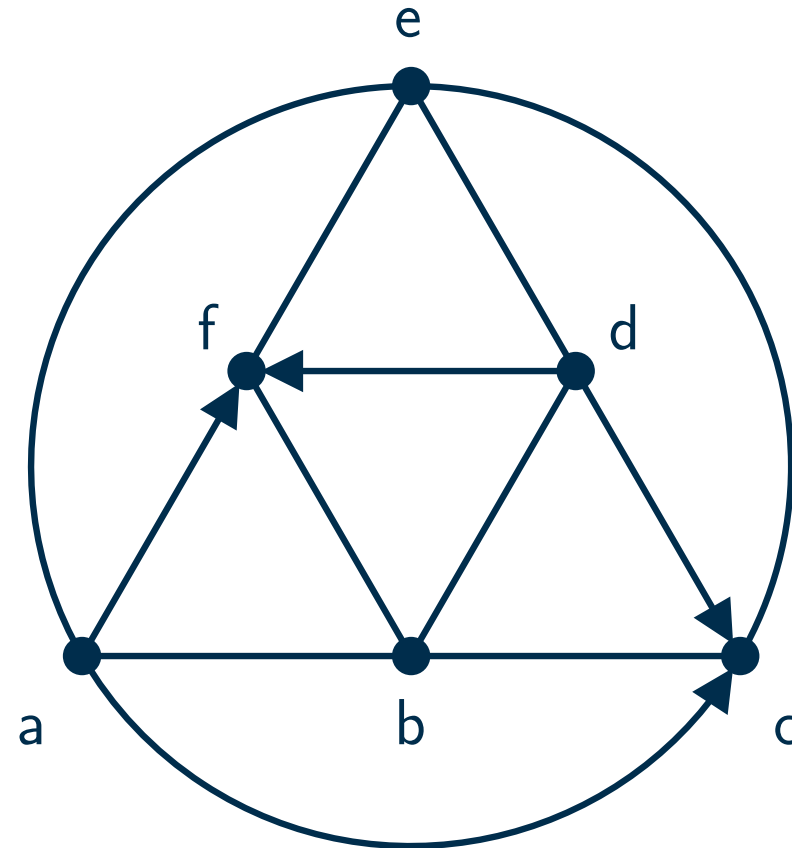
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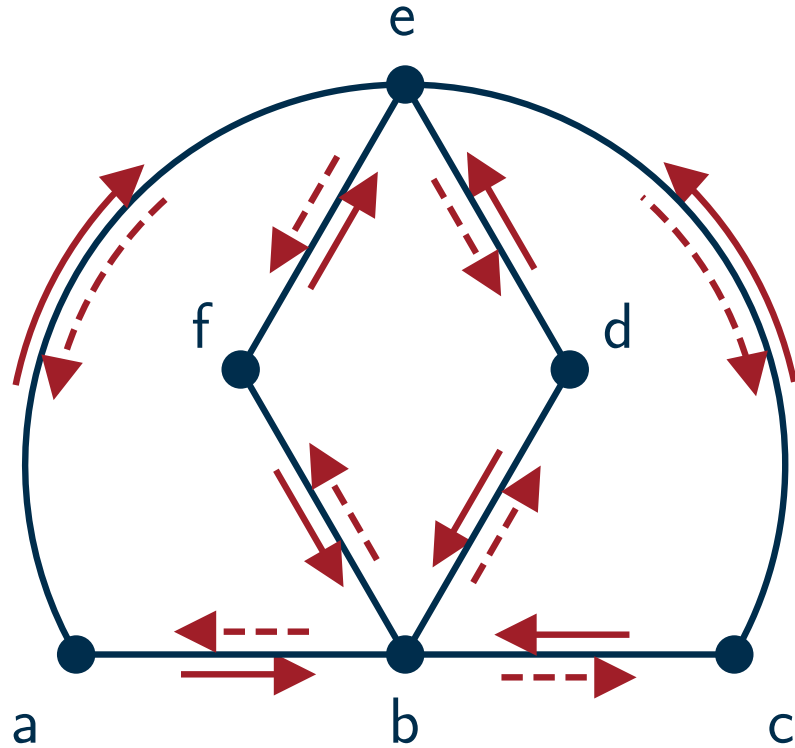
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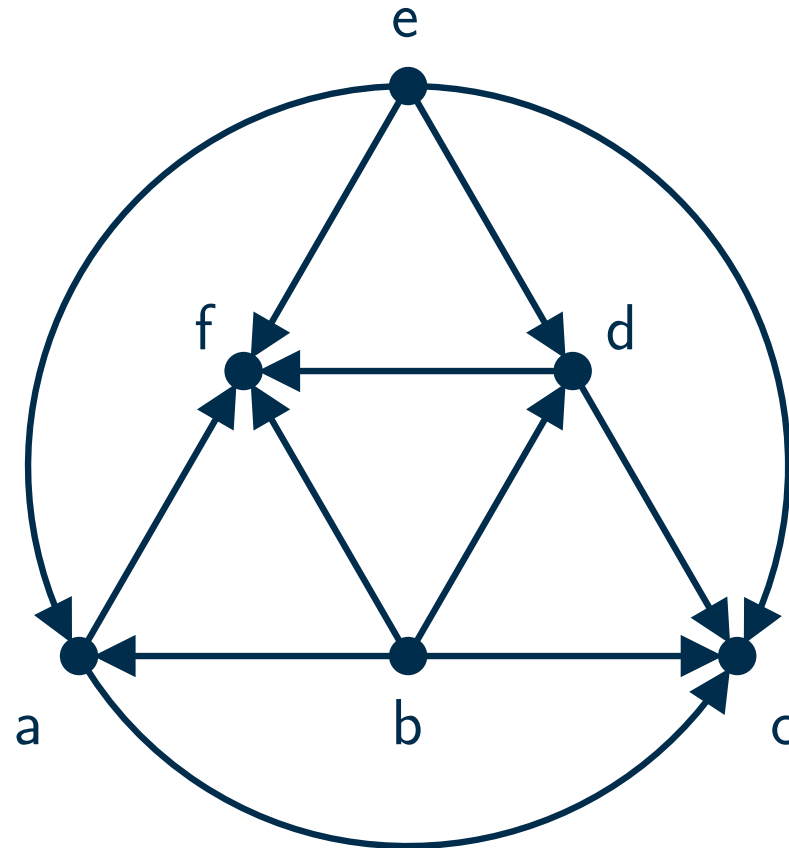


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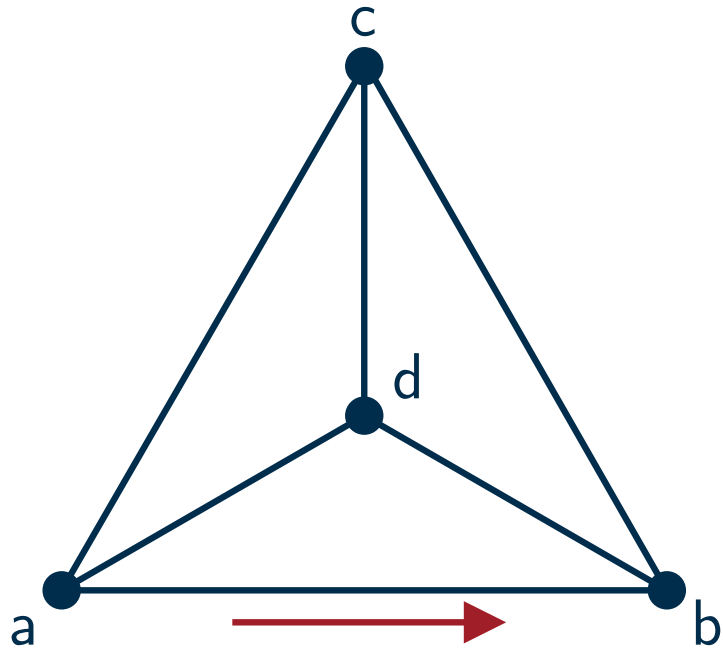
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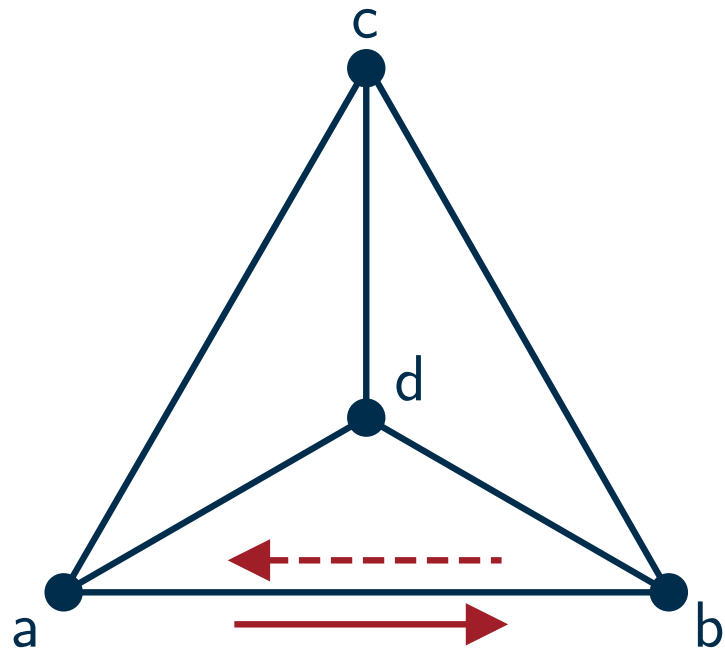


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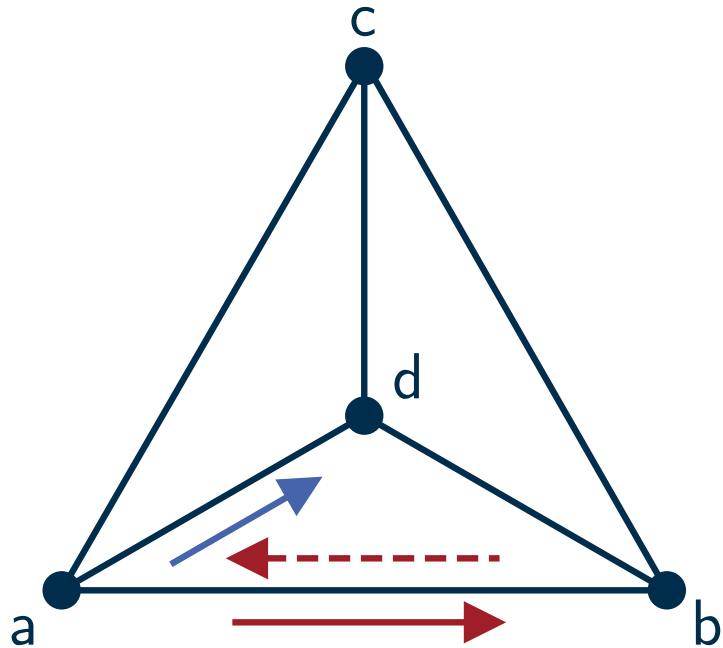
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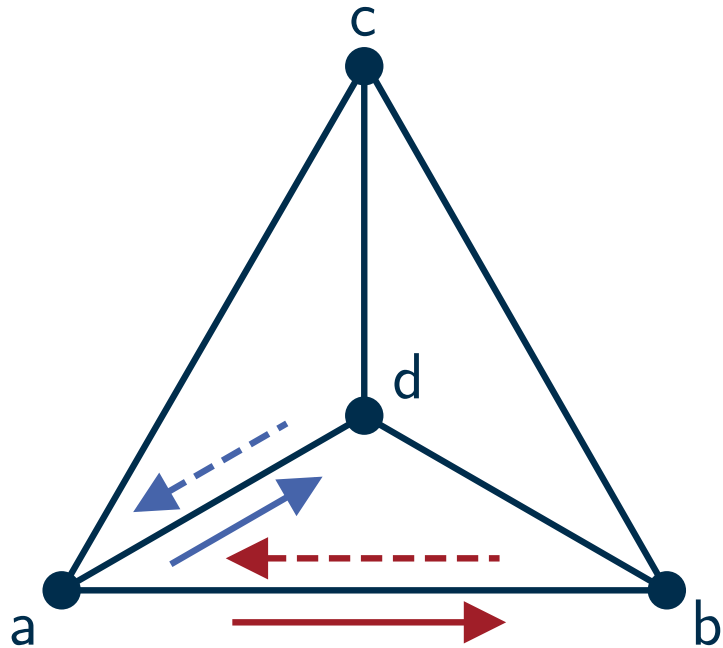
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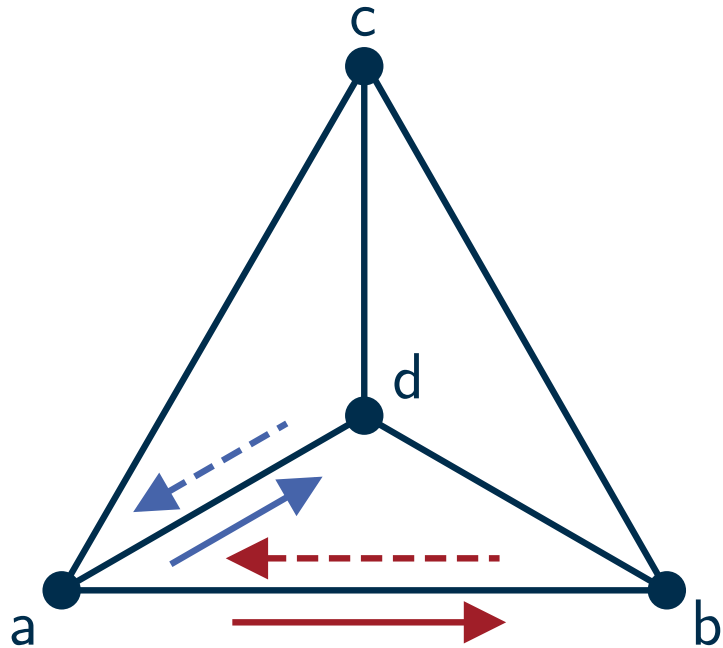
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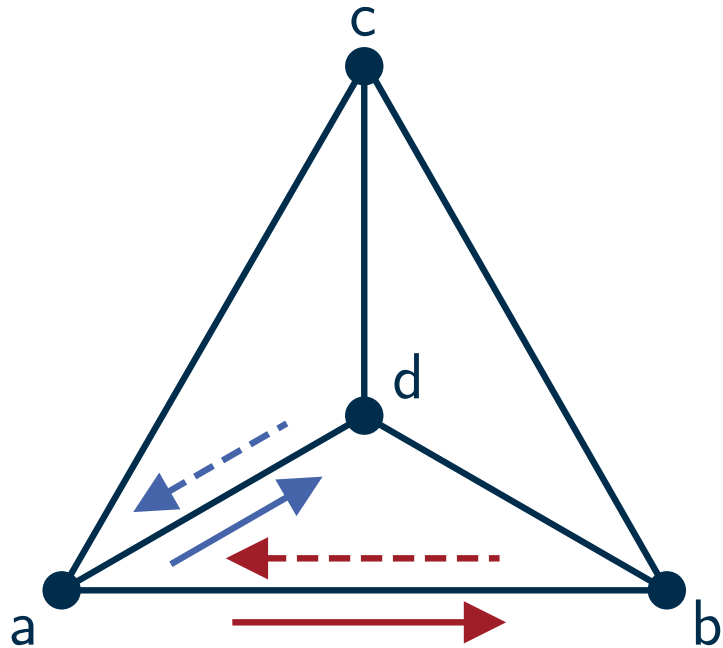


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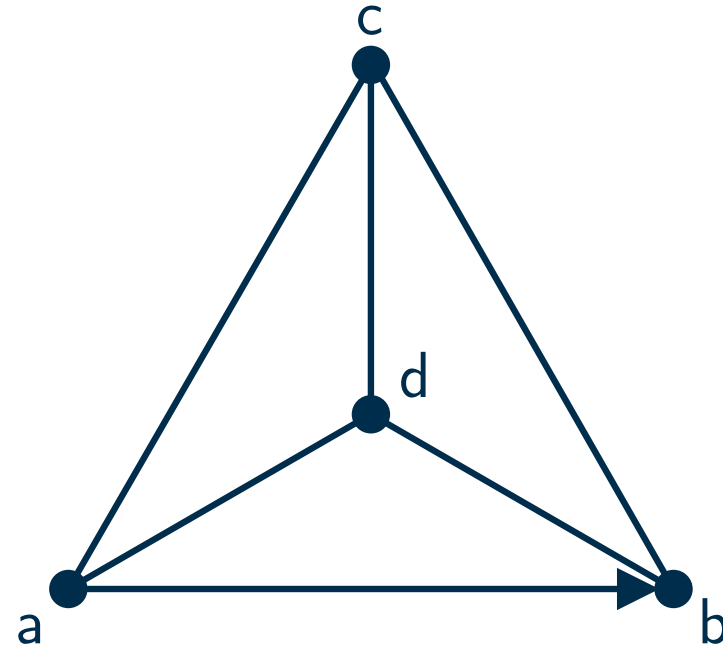
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by symmetry every edge has its own implication class

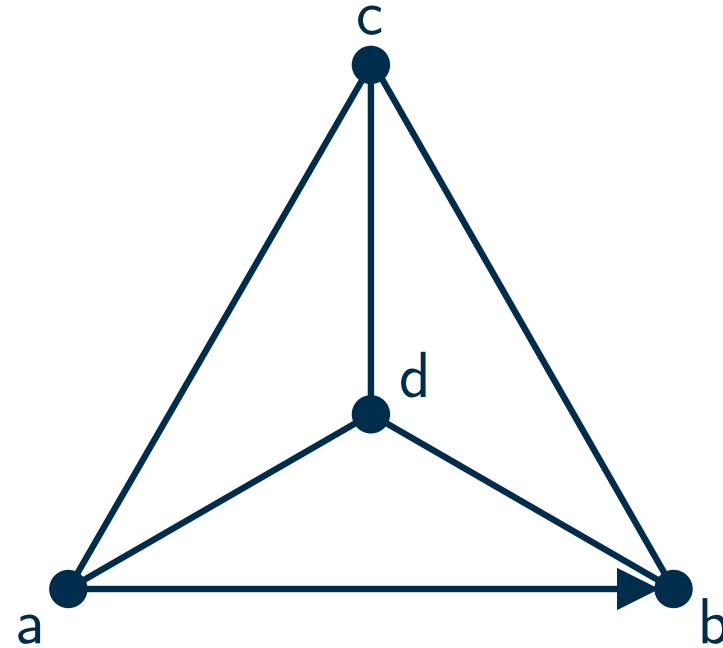
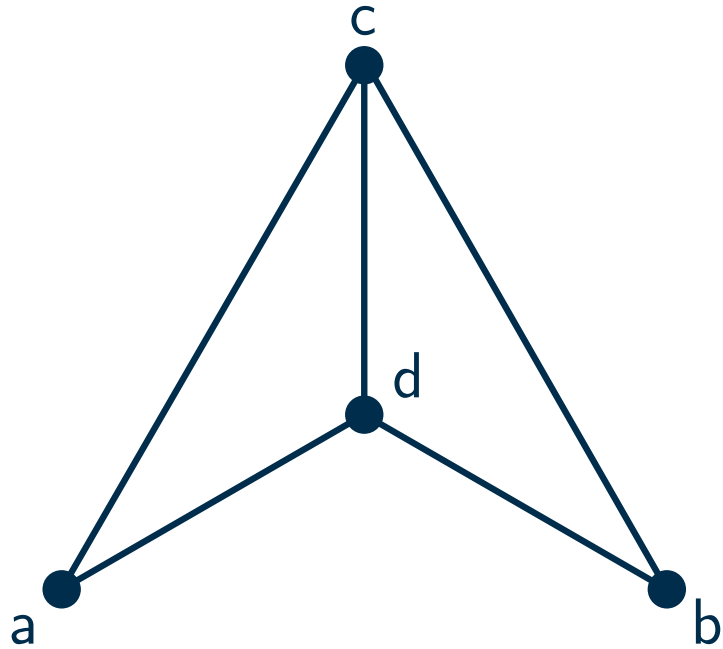
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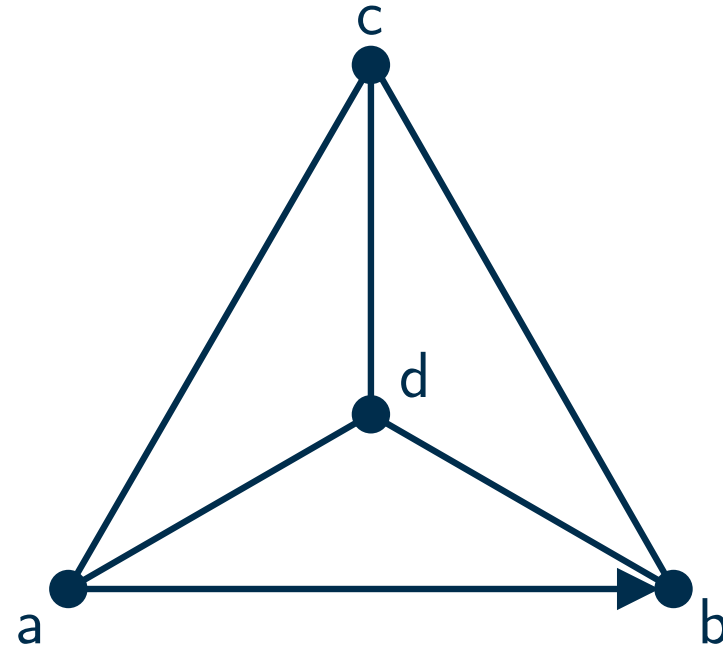
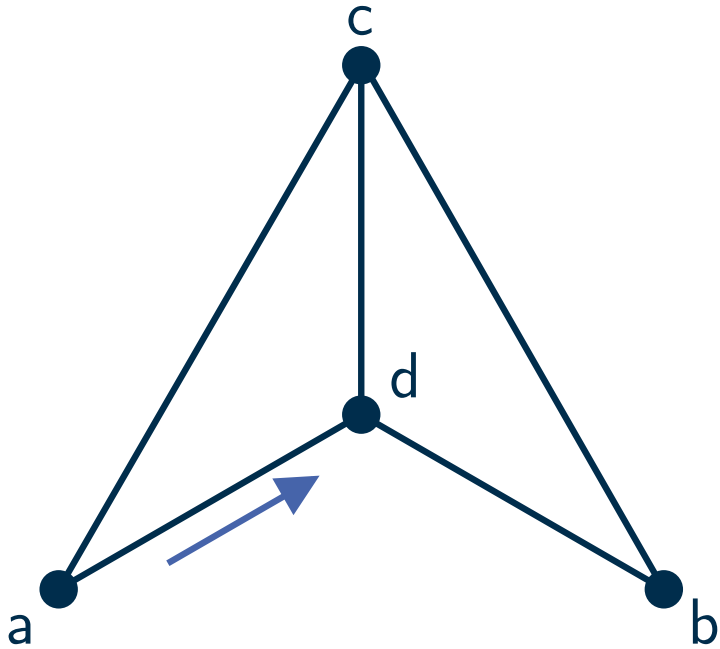


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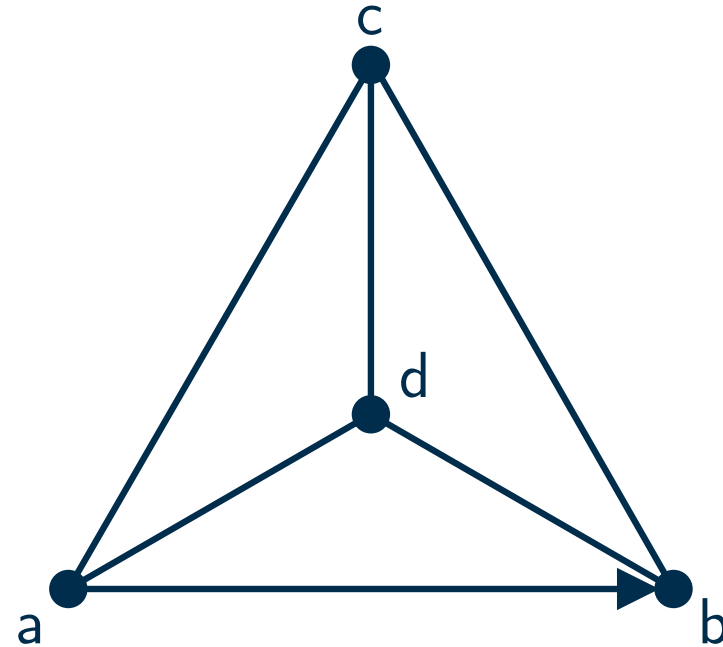
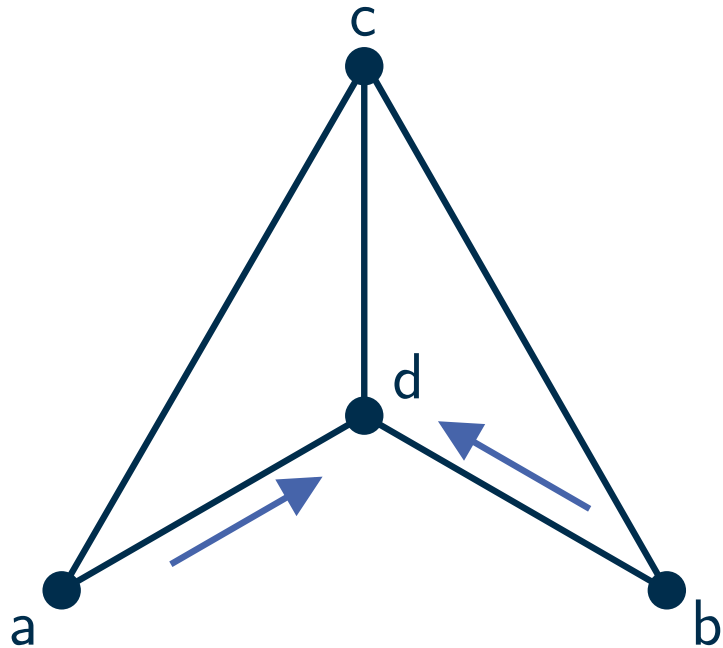
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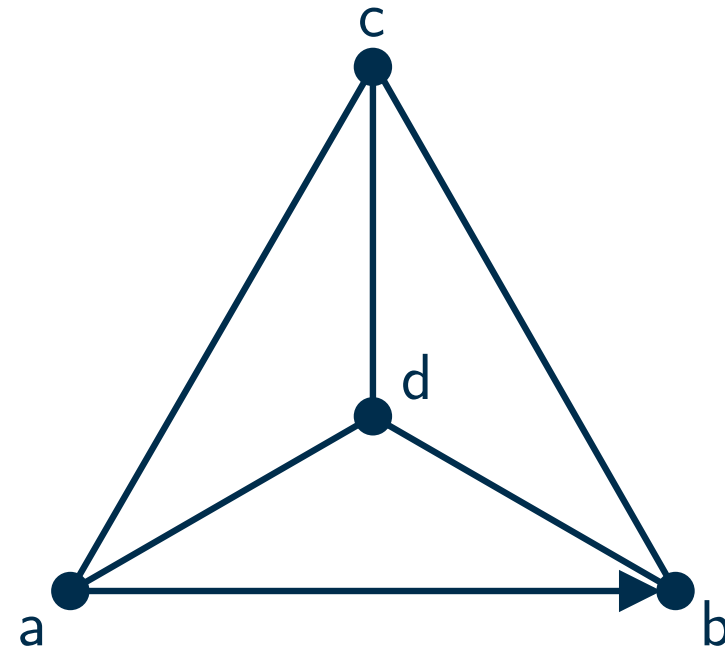
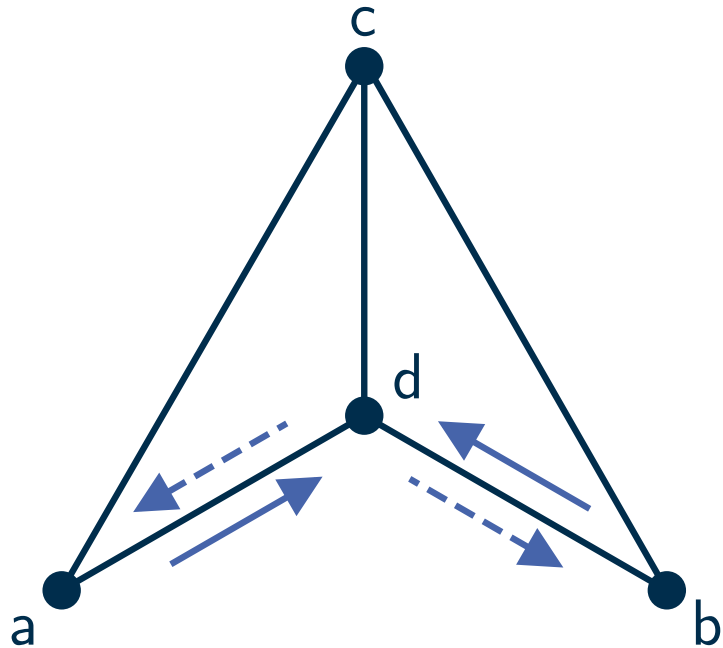
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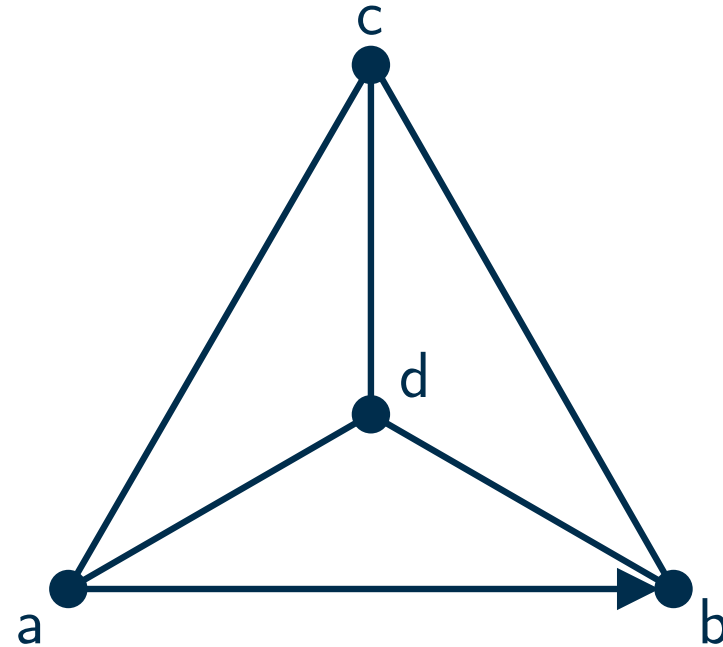
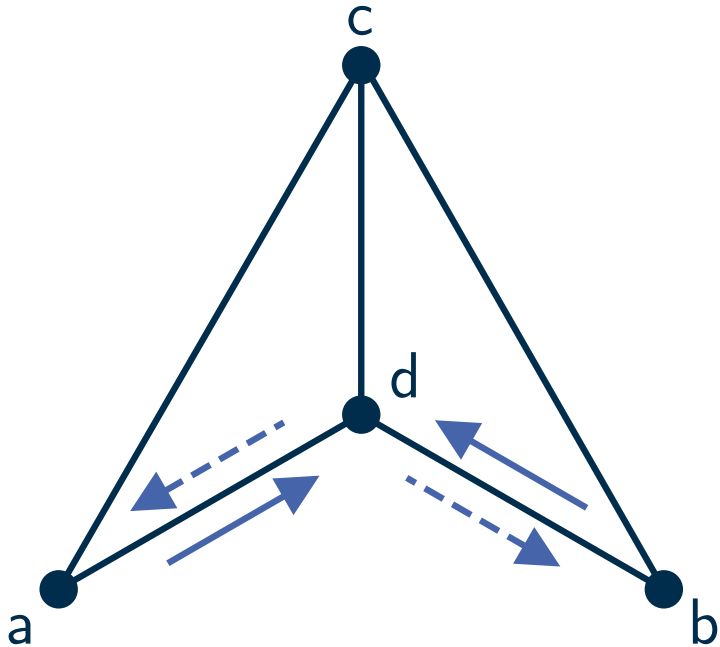
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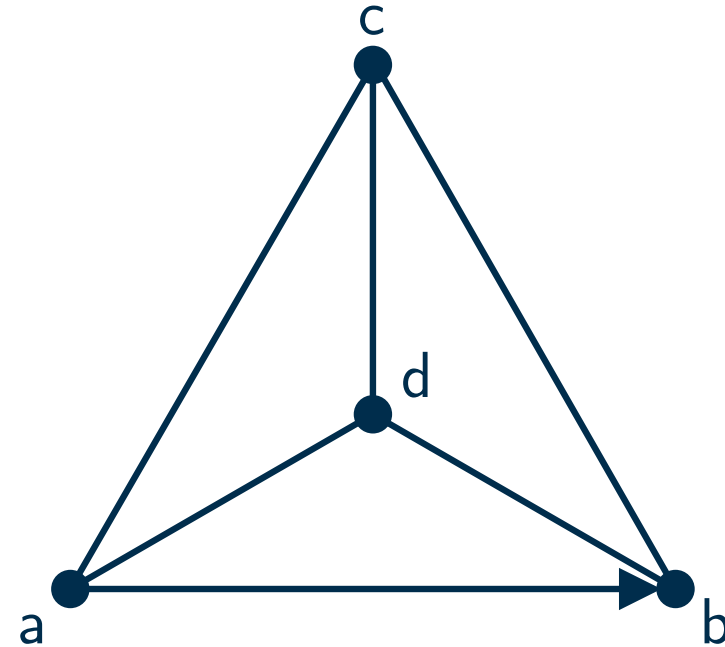
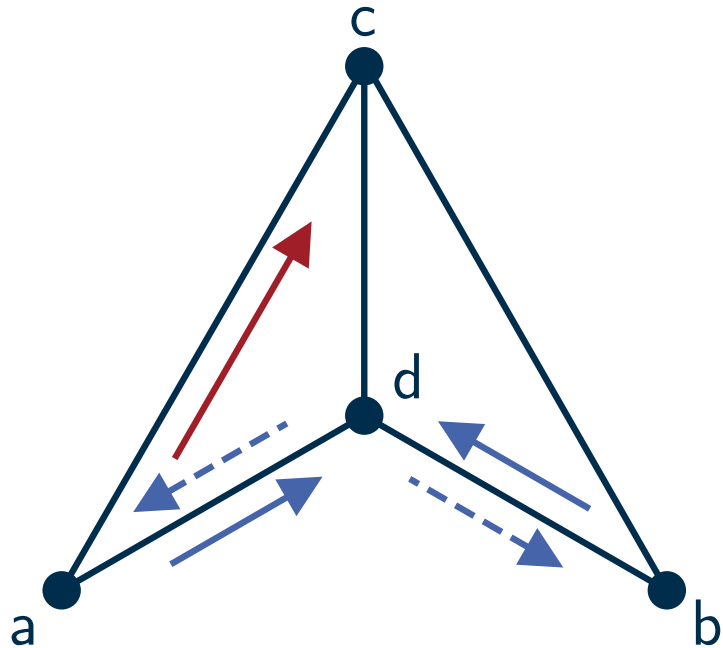
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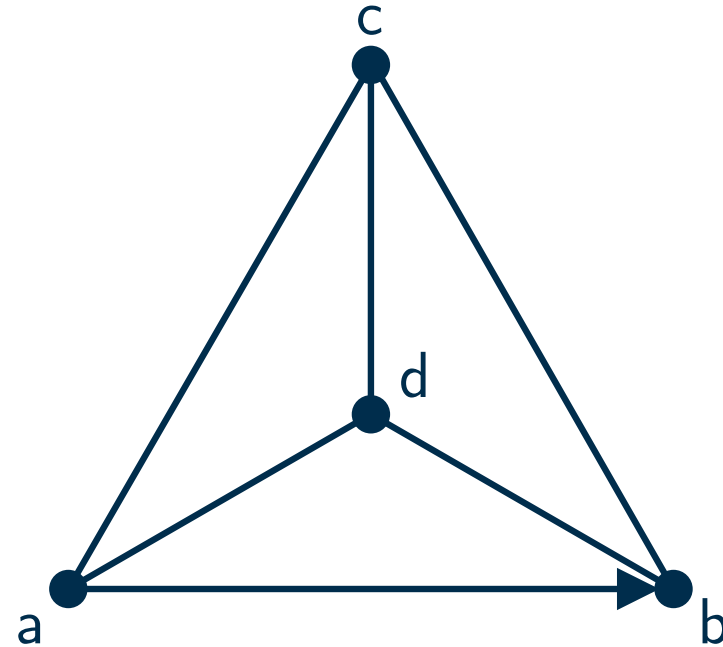
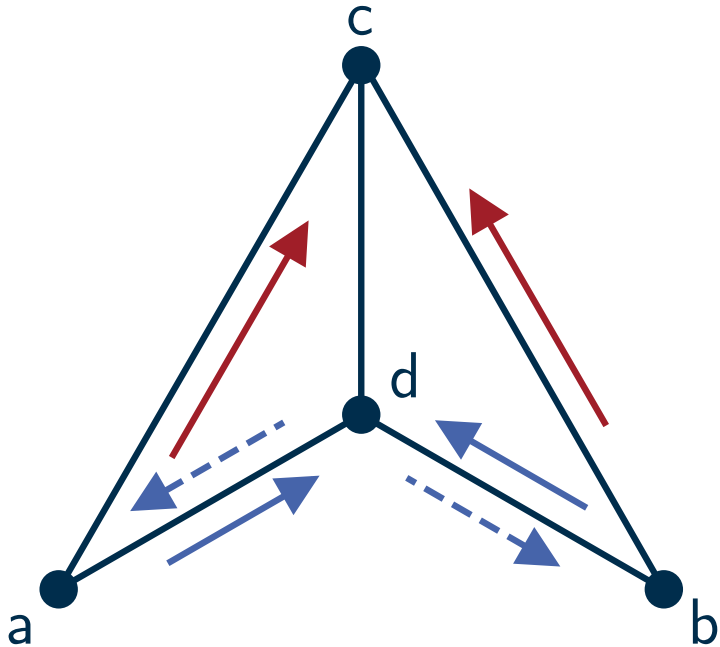
compute implication class of ac



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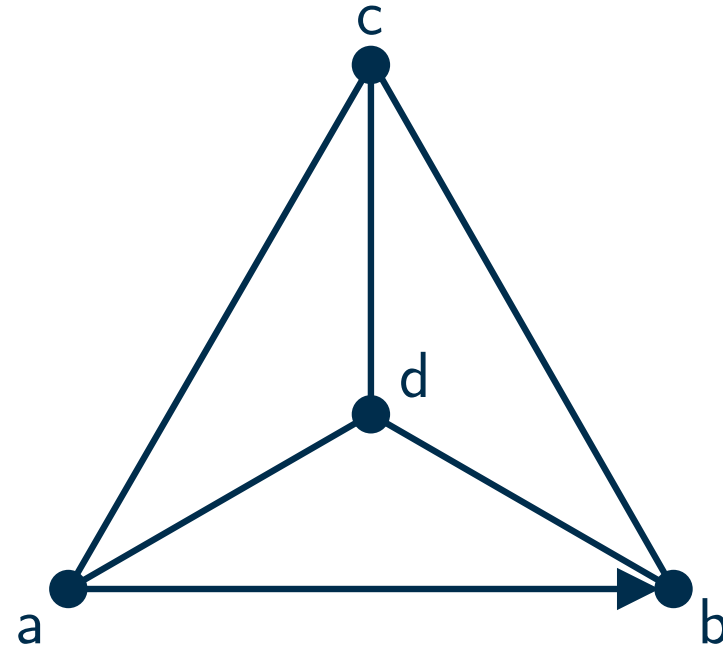
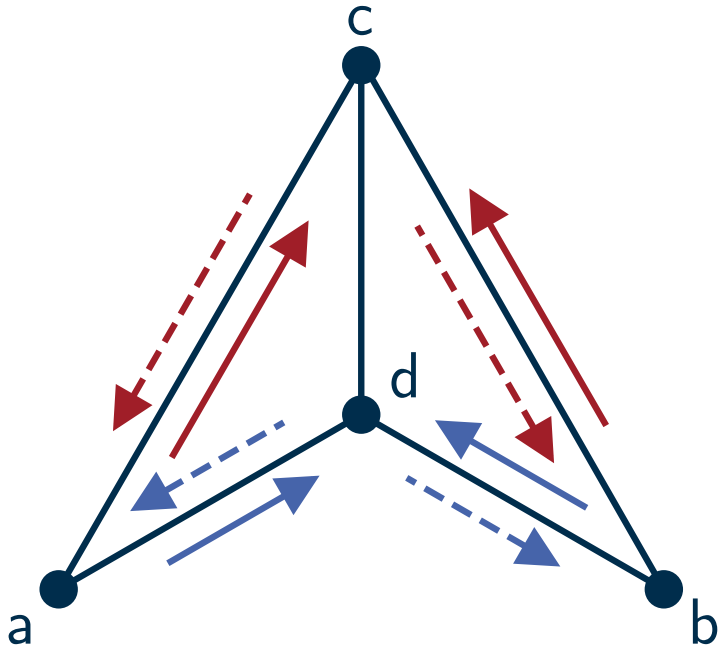
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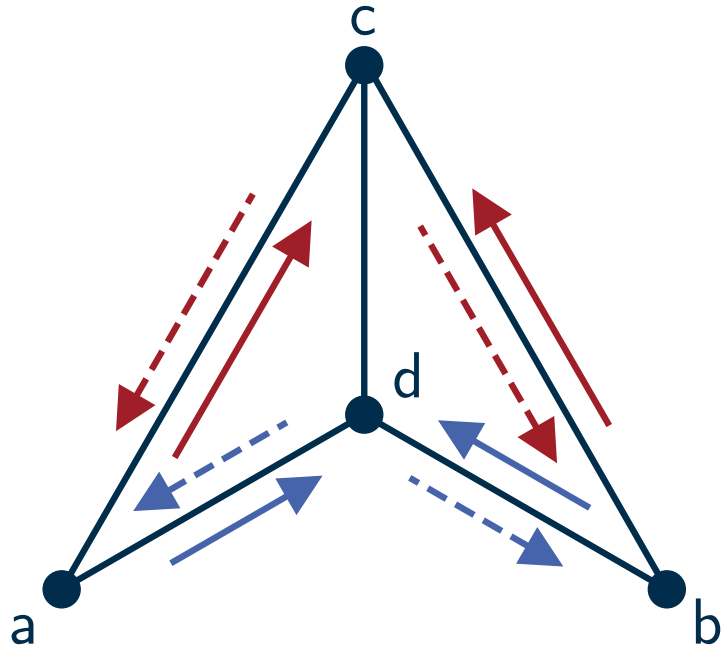
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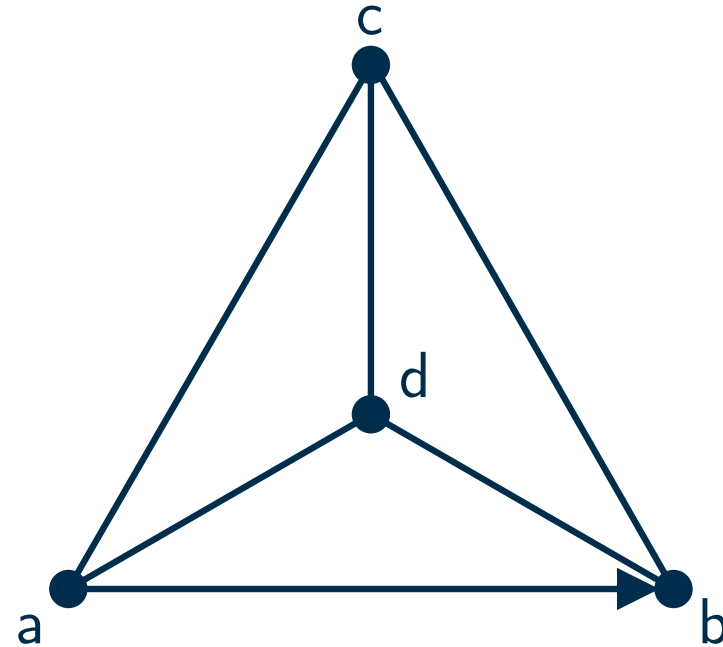


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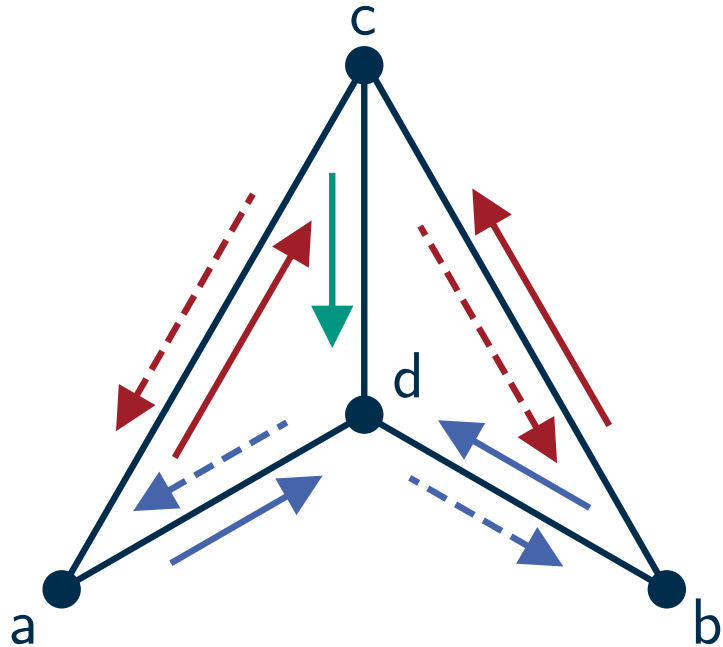


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compute implication class of ac
 $\{ac, bc\}$ and as inverse $\{ca, cb\}$



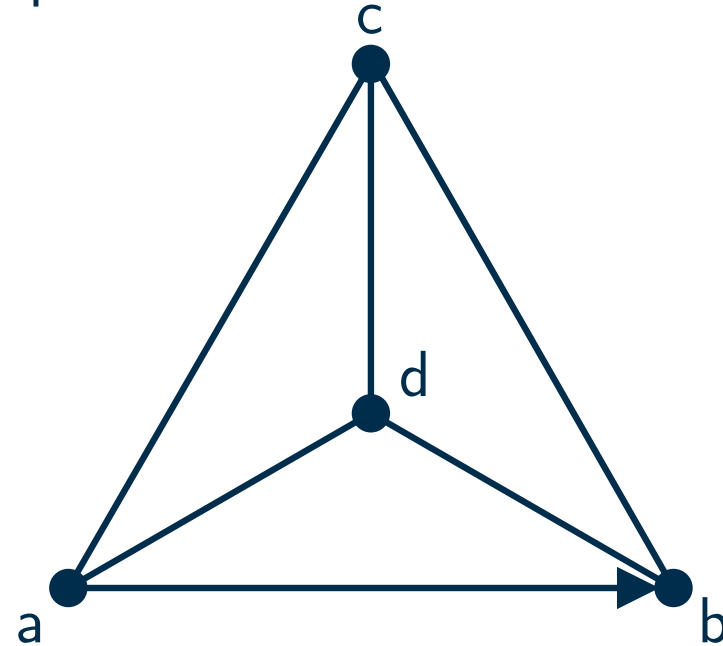
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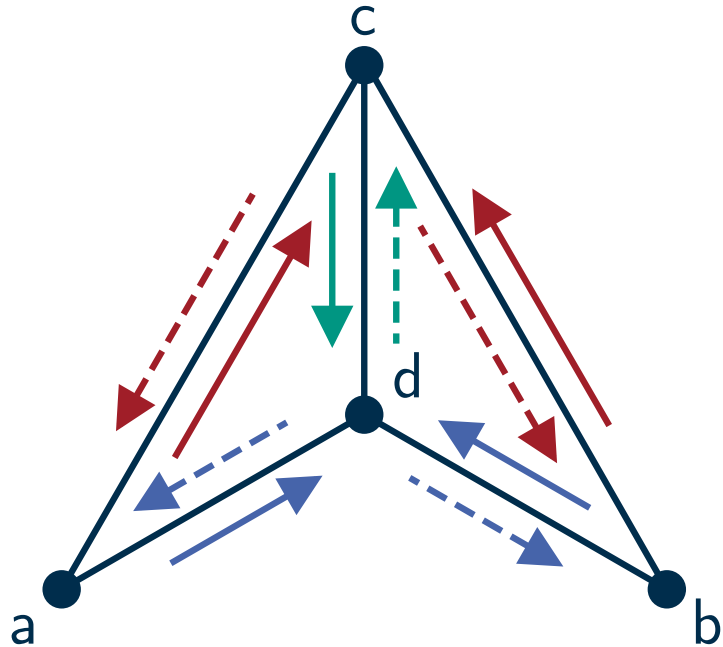
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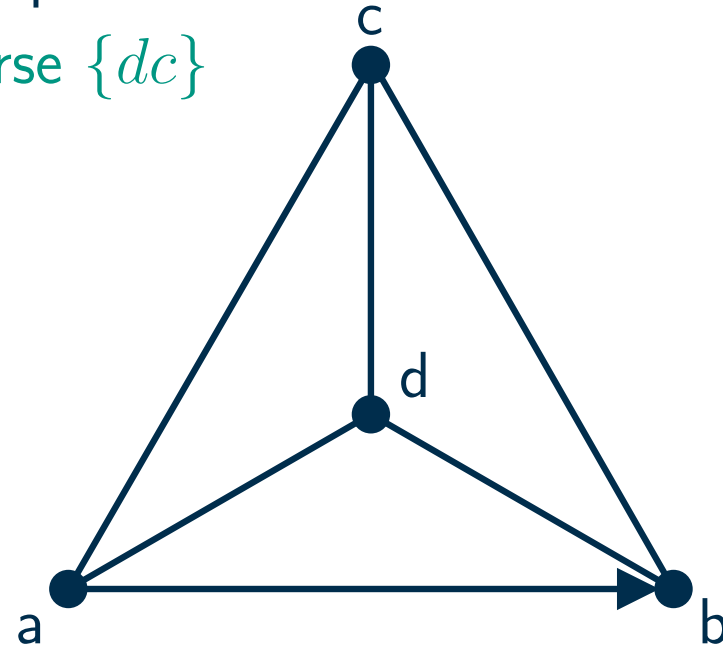
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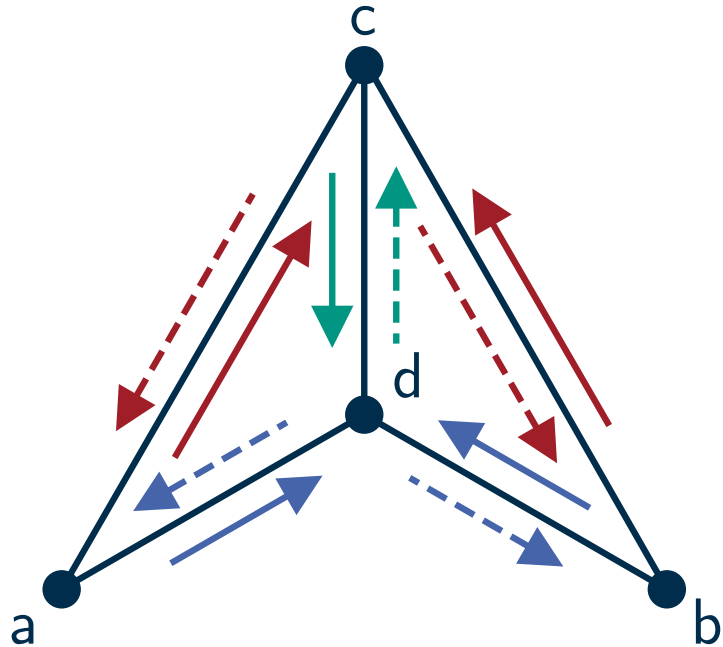
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compute implication class of cd
 $\{cd\}$, inverse $\{dc\}$



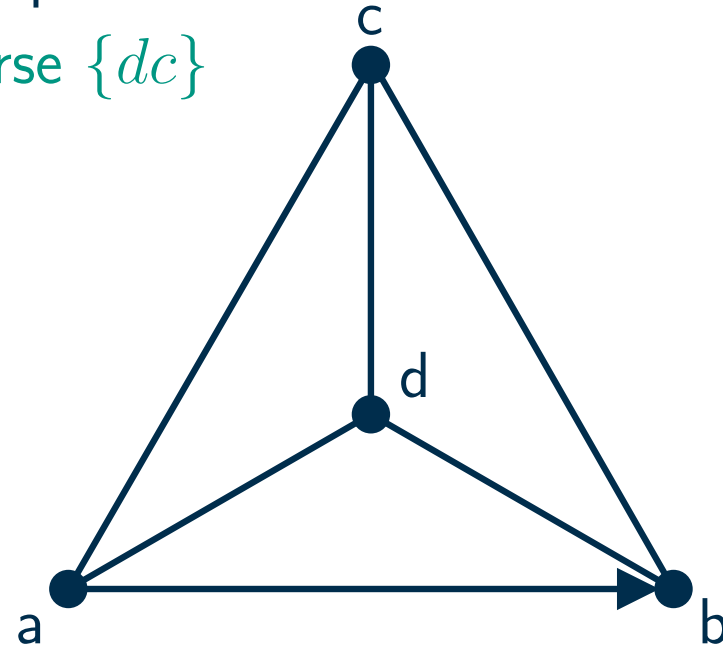
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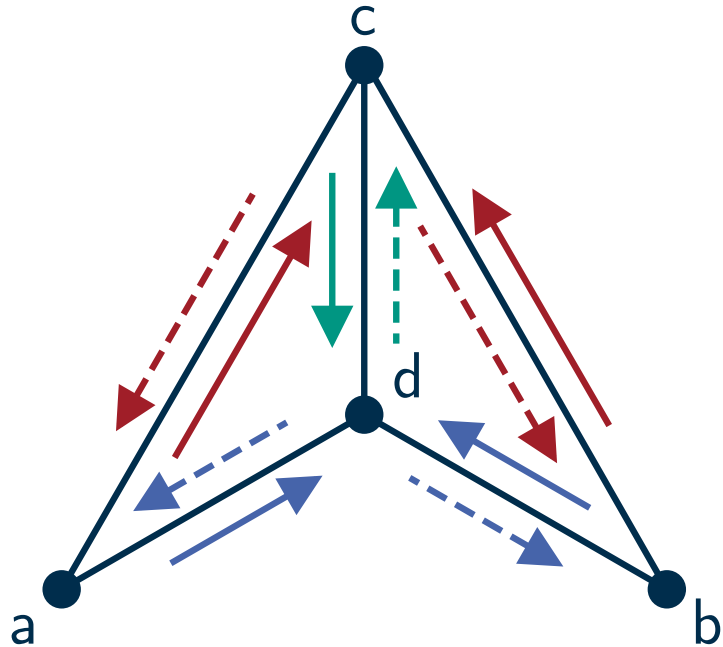
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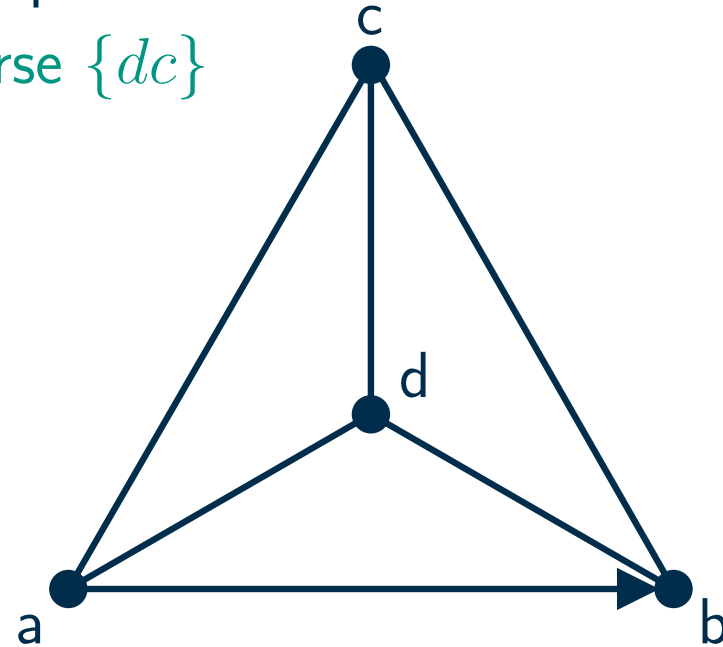


The color class of cd stays the same.
The color classes of ad and bd are merged.

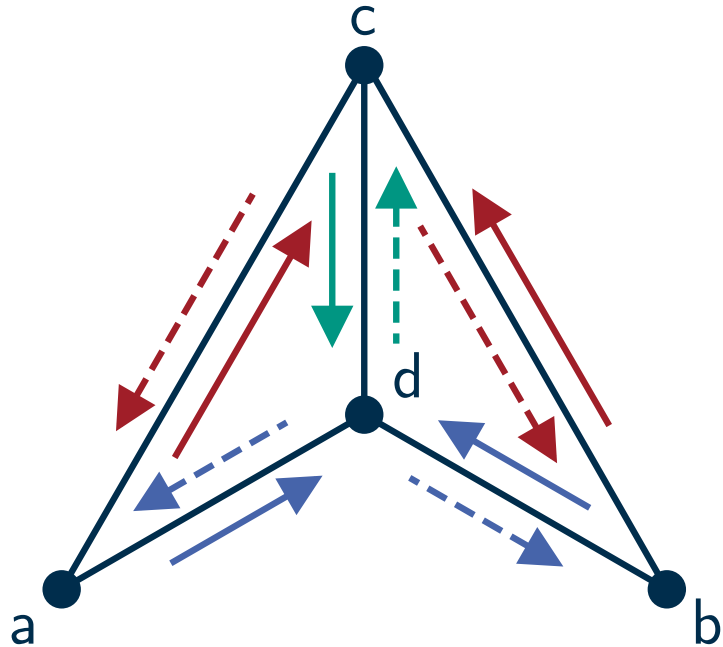
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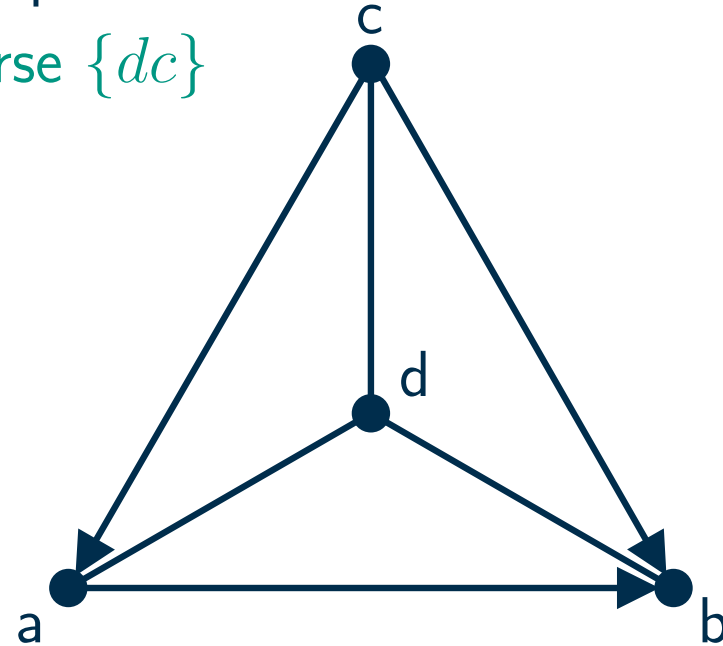


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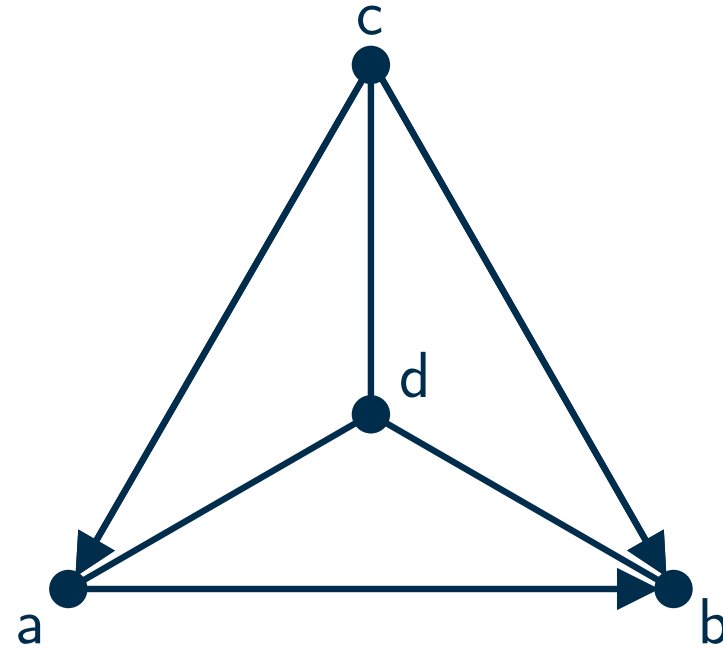
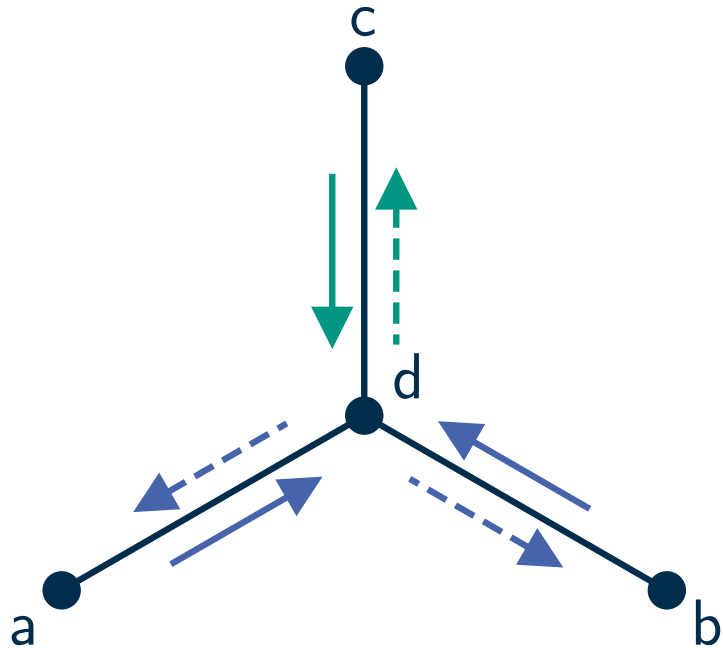
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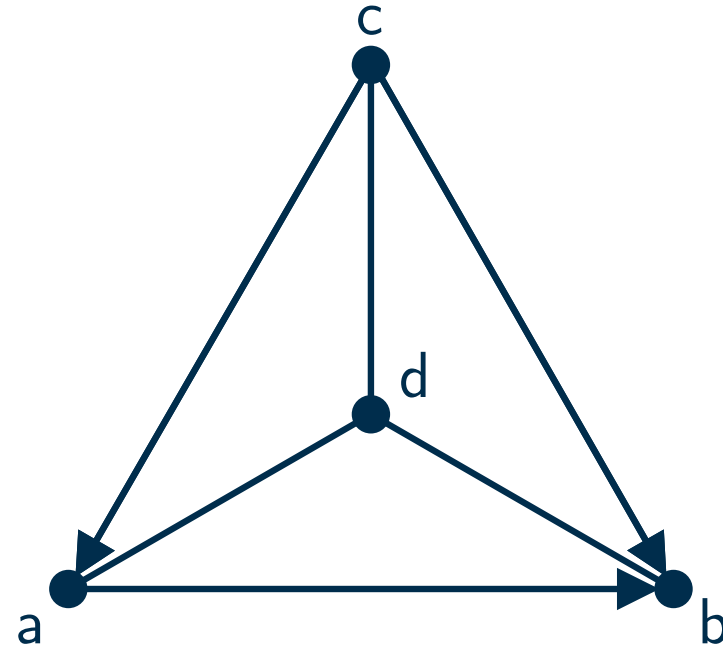
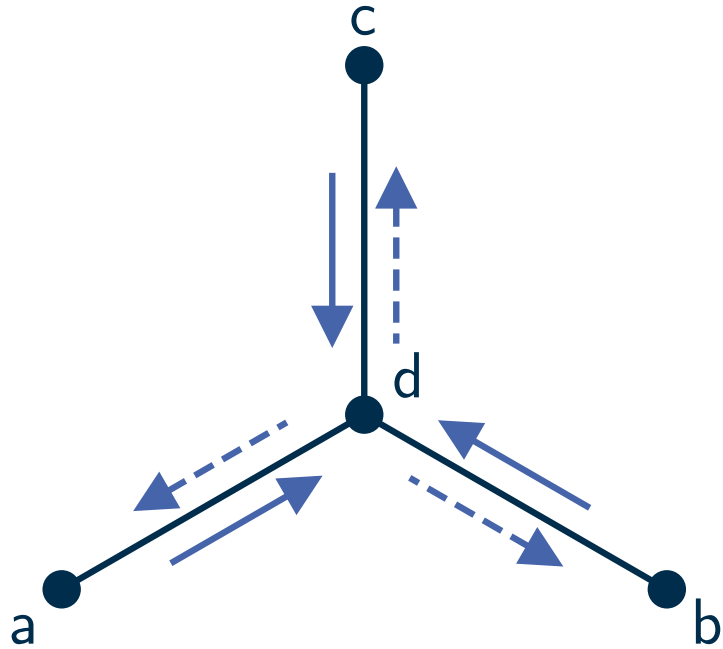
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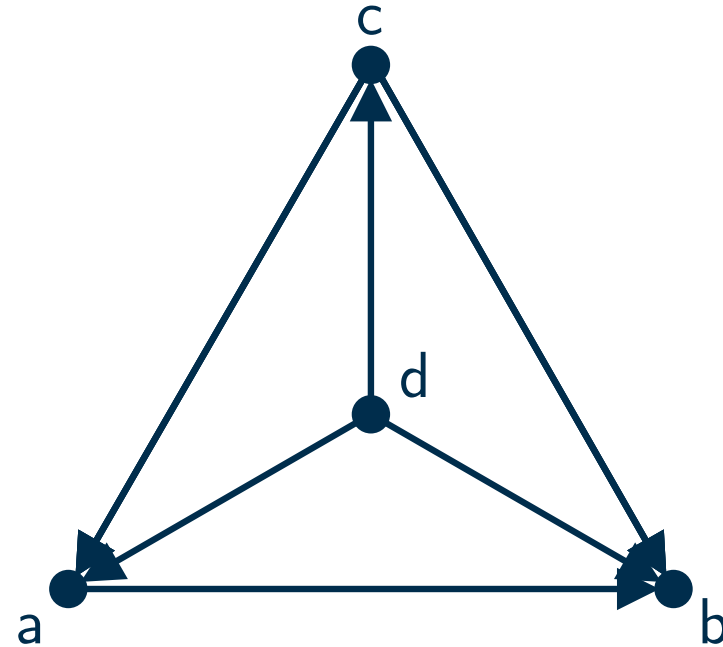
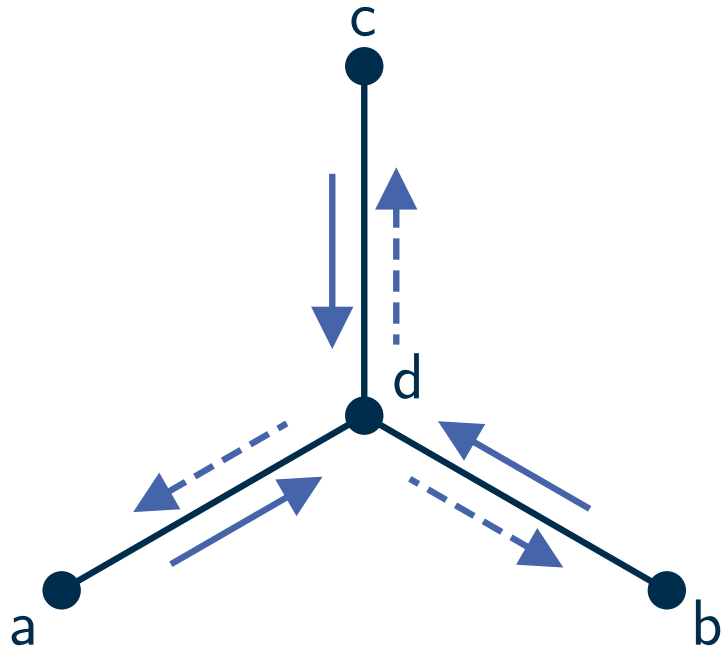
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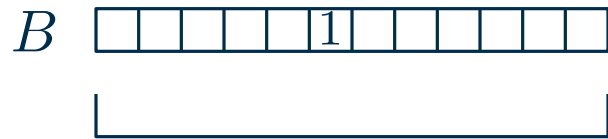
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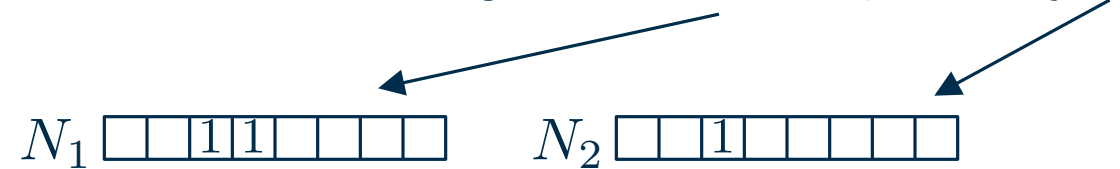
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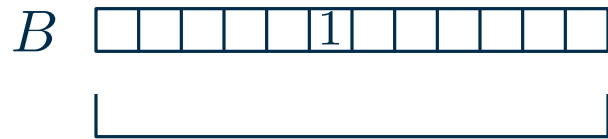
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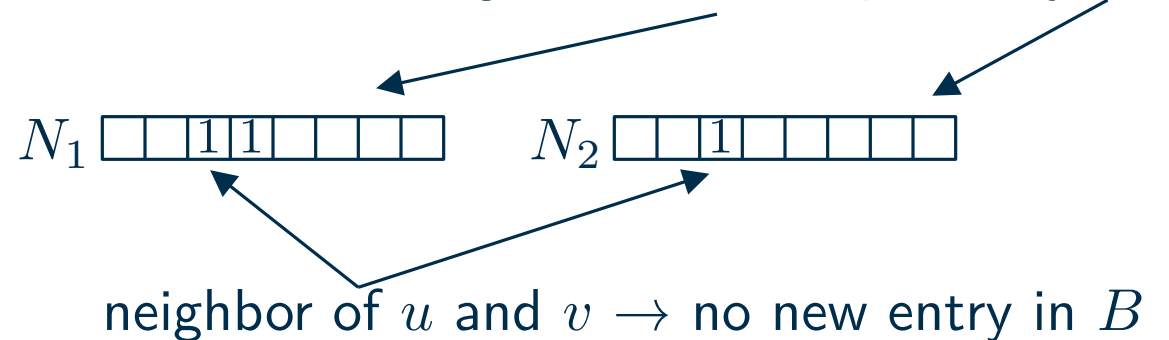
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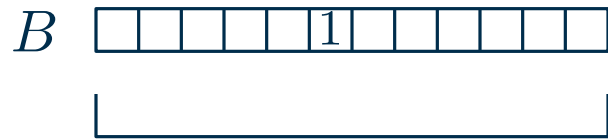
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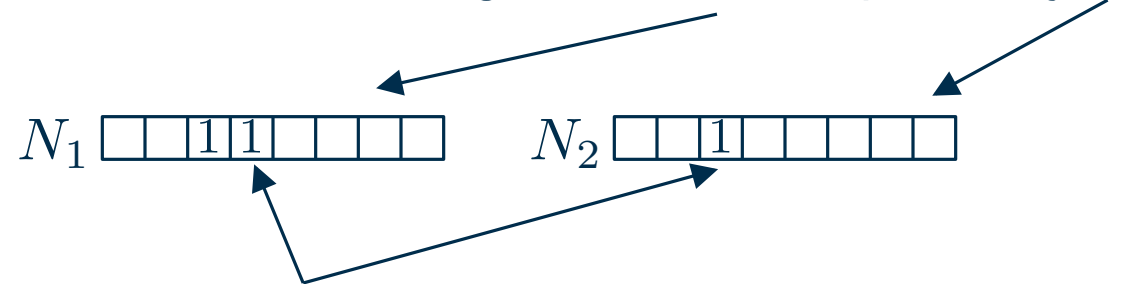
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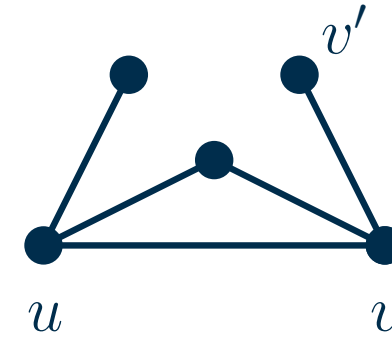
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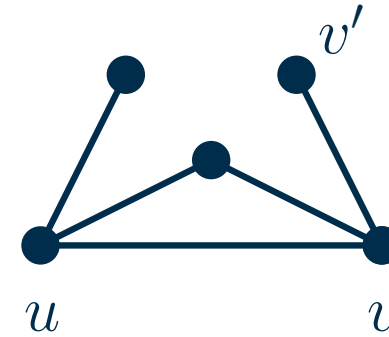
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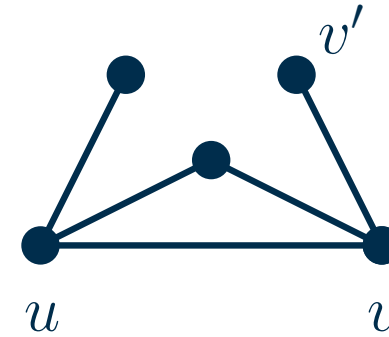
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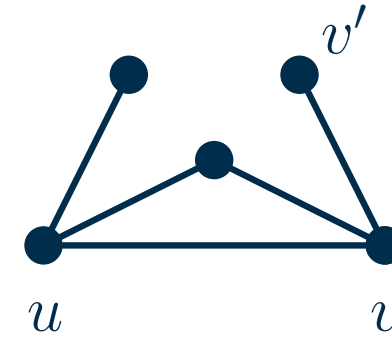
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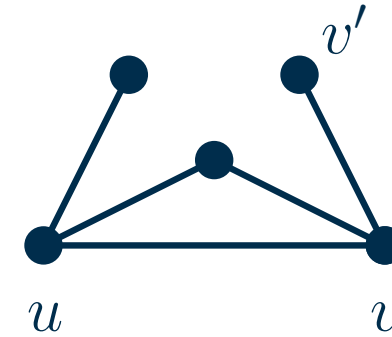
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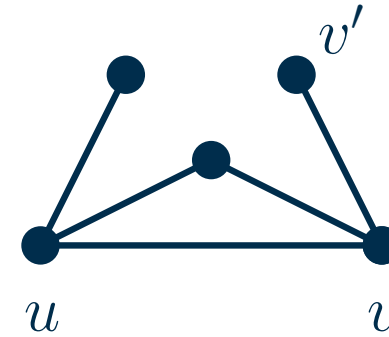
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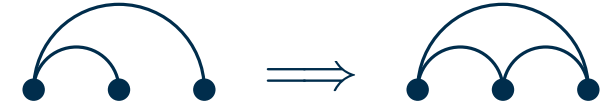
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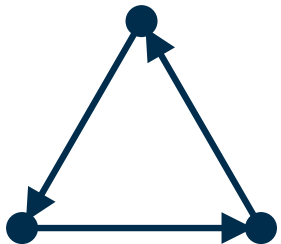
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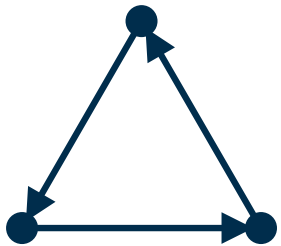
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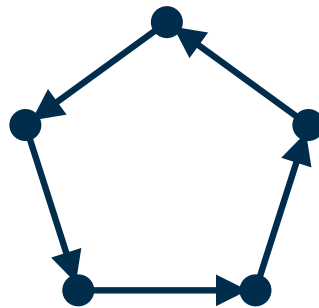
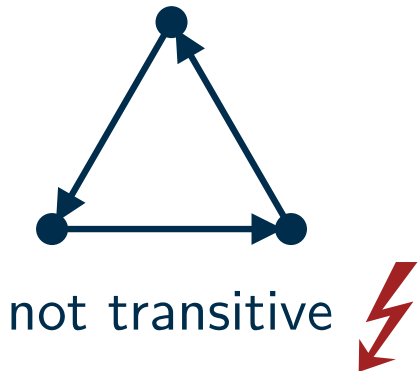
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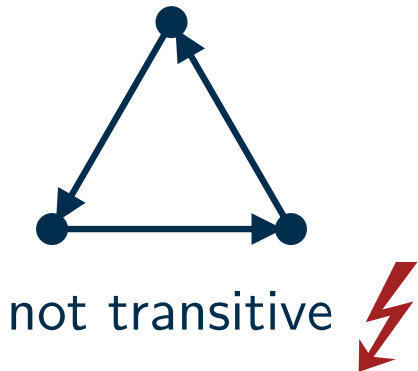
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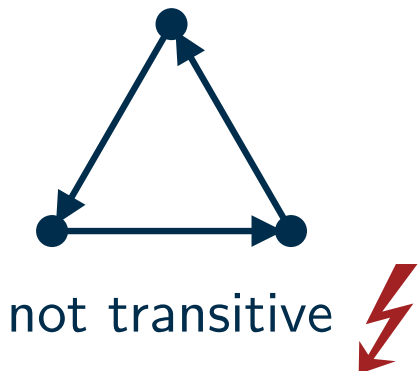
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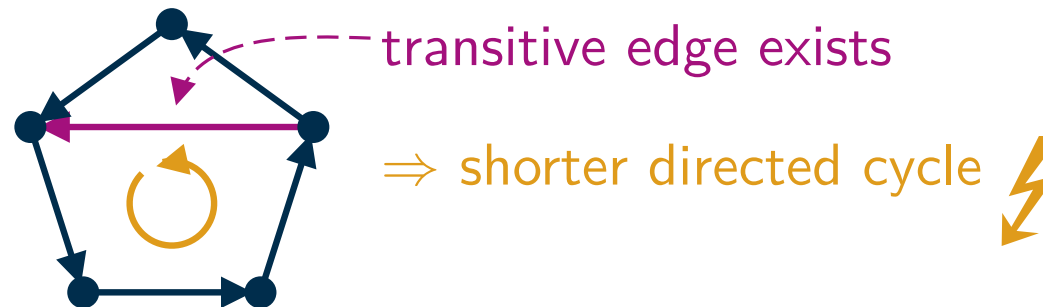
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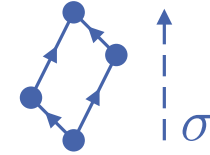


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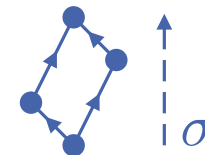


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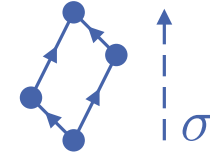


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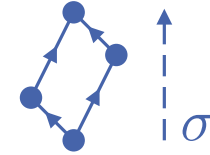
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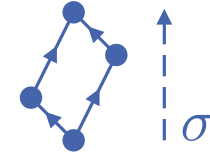
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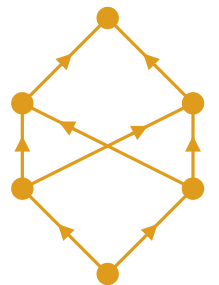
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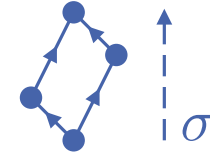
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