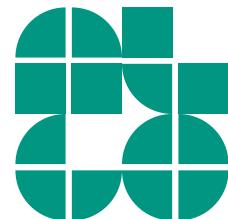


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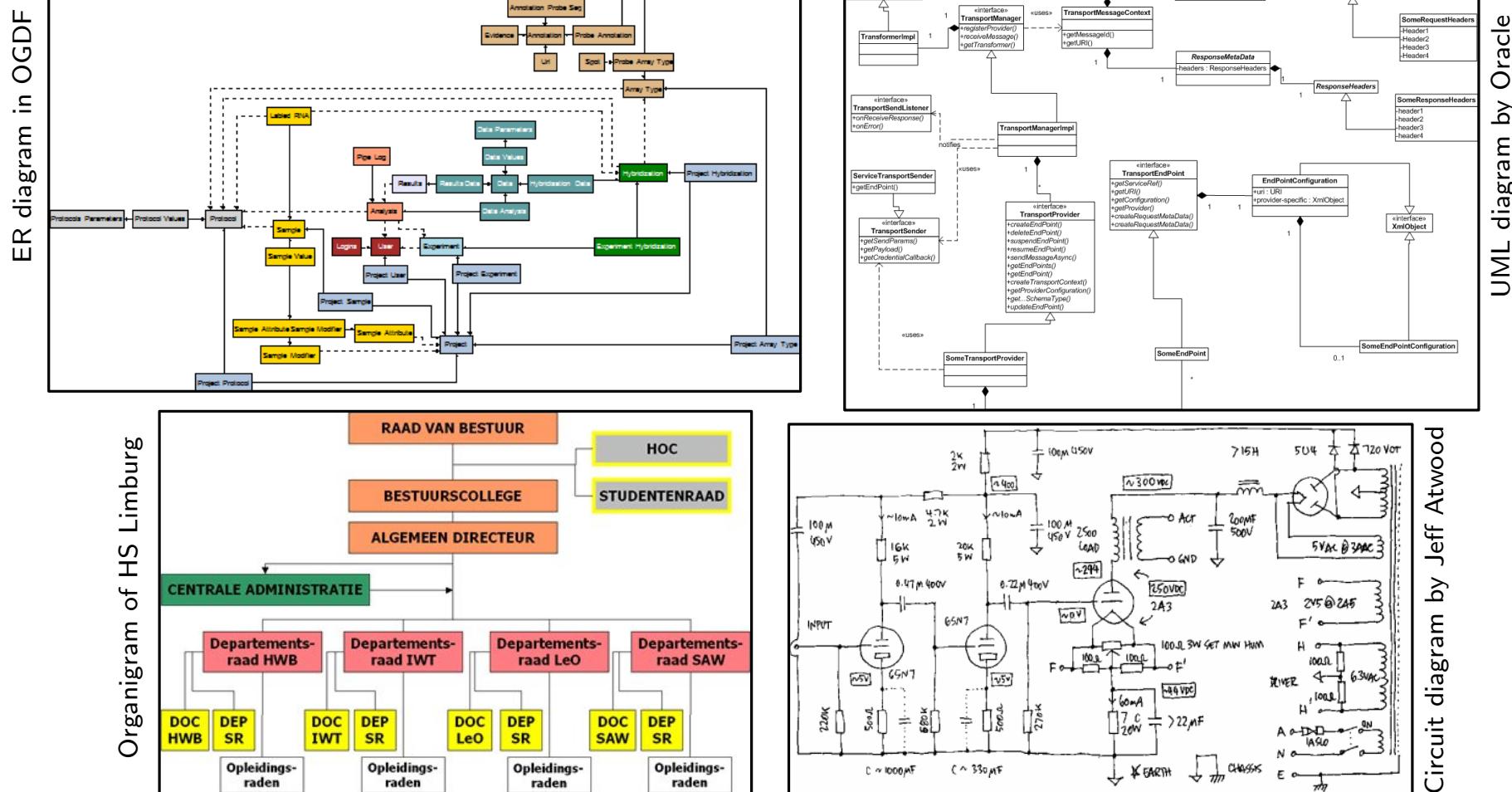
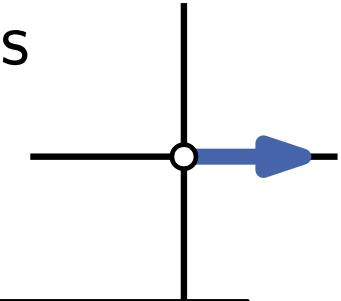
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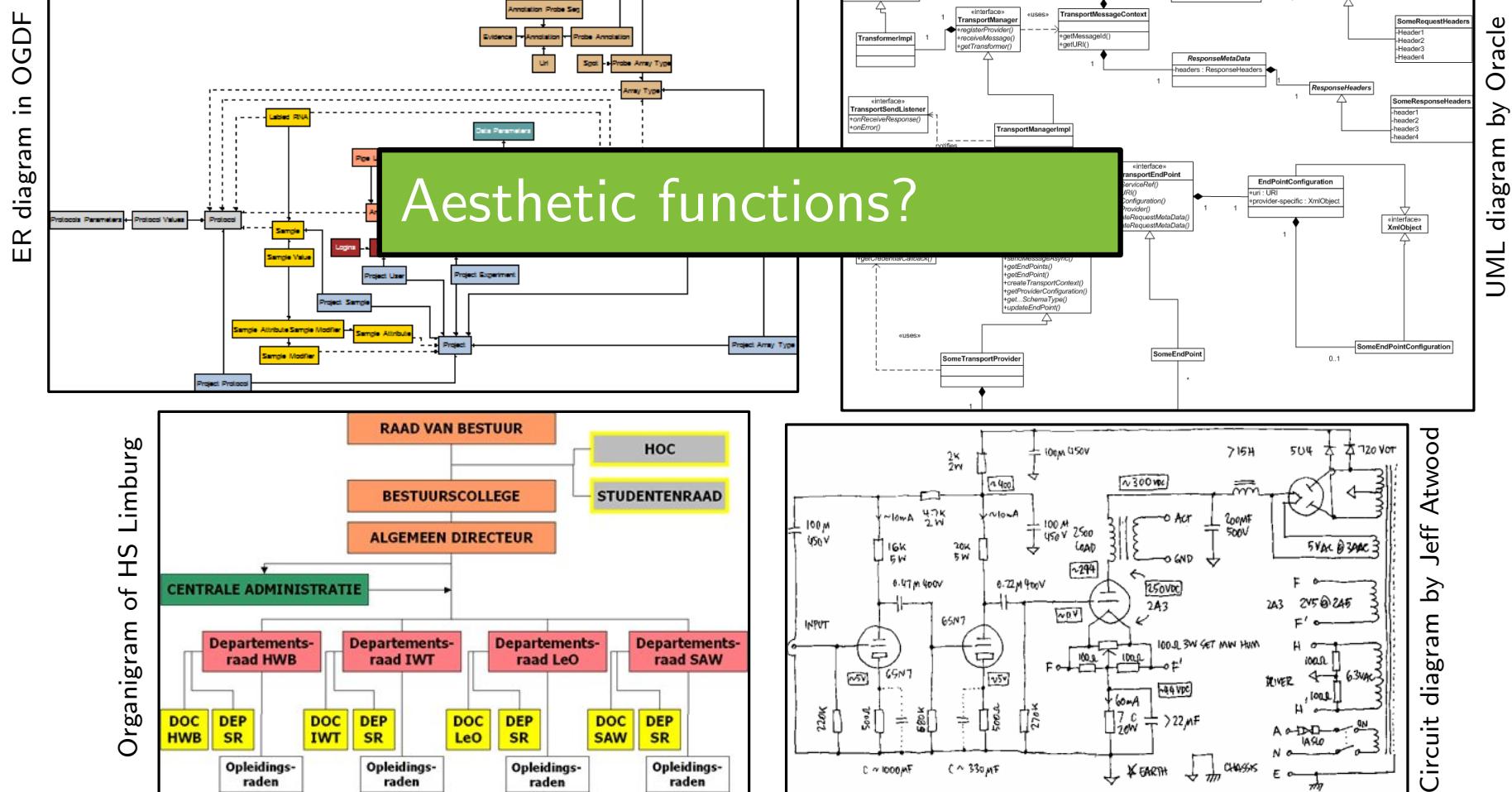
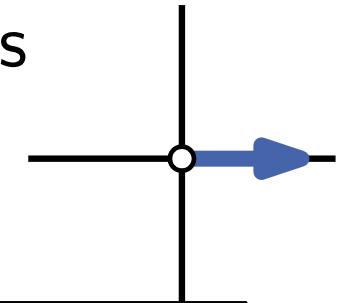
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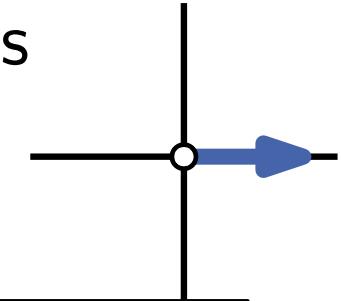
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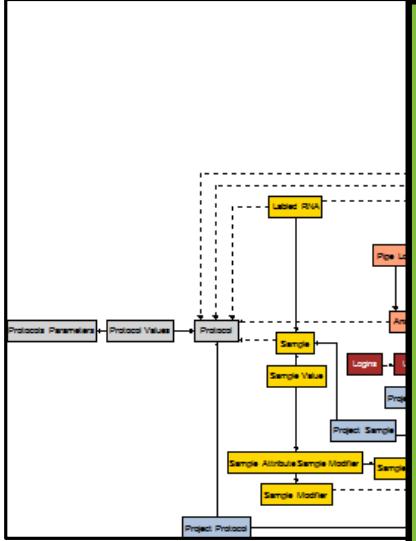


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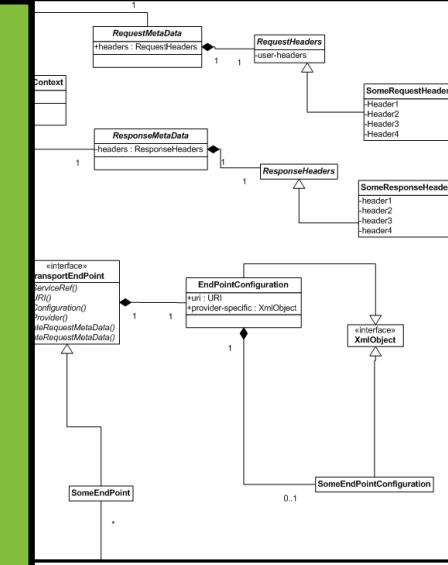
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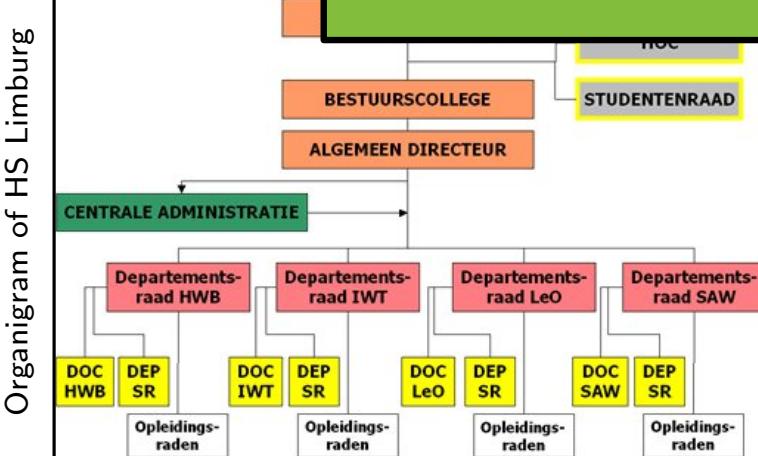
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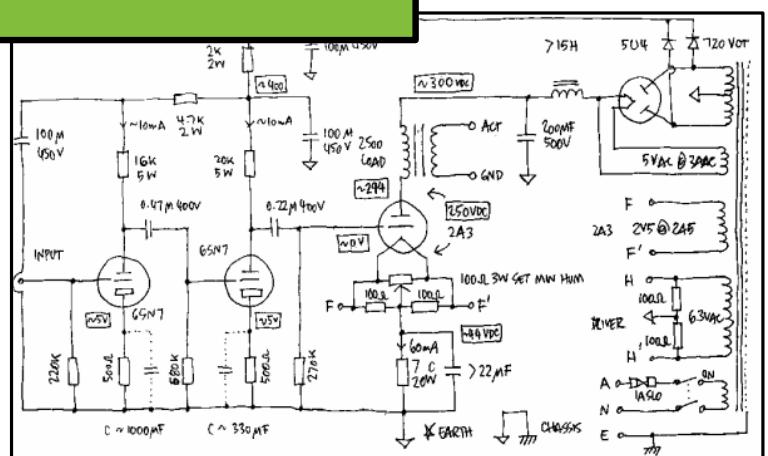
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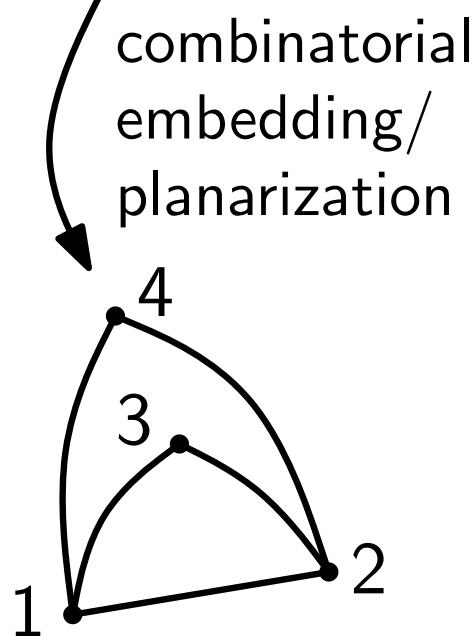
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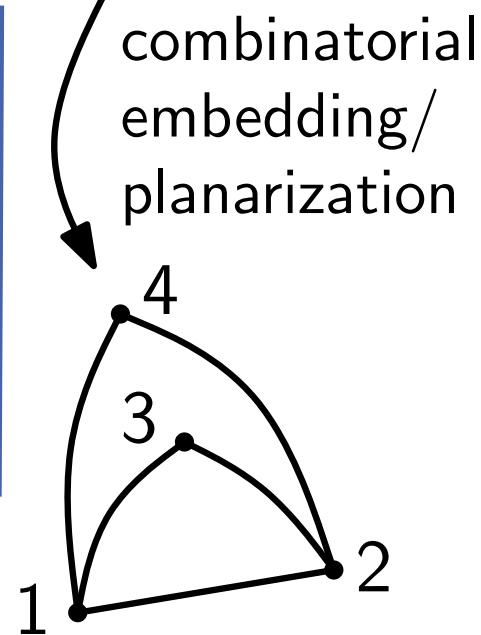
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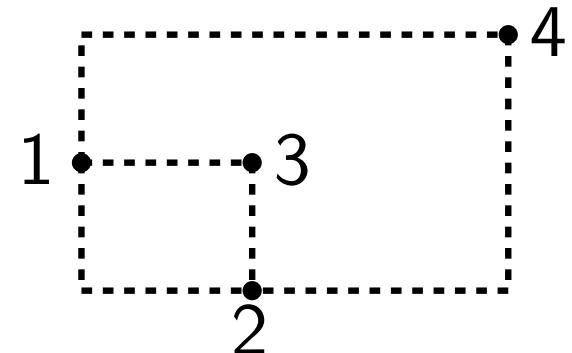
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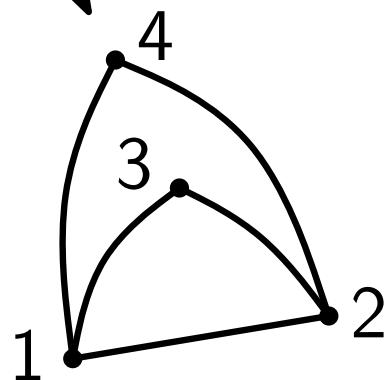
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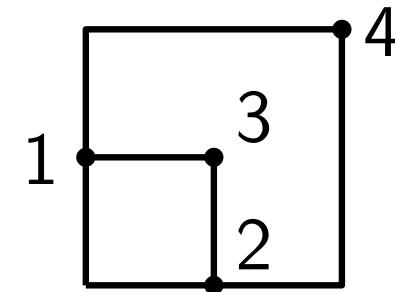
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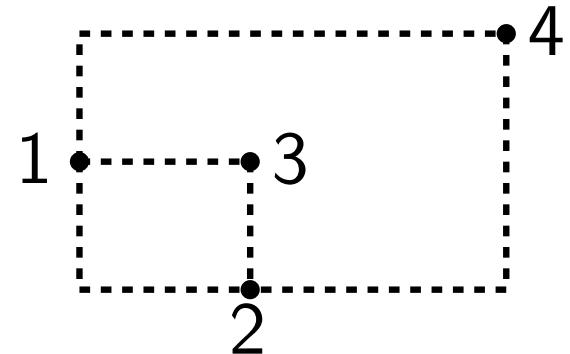
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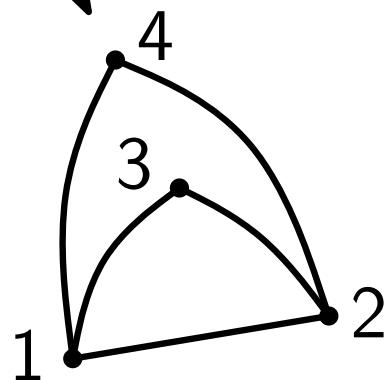
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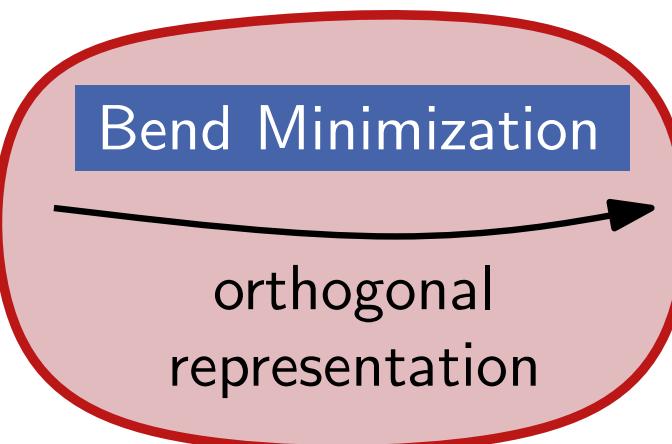
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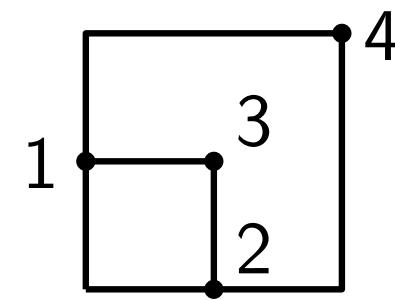
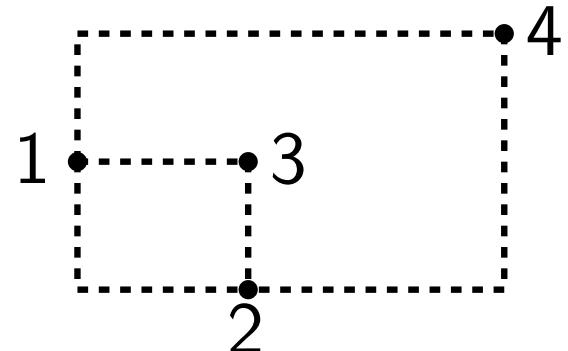
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**Given:** planar Graph  $G = (V, E)$ , set of faces  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  
outer face  $f_0$

**Find:** orthogonale representation  $H(G) = \{H(f) \mid f \in \mathcal{F}\}$

**Face representation**  $H(f)$ : of  $f$  is a clockwise\* ordered sequence of edge descriptions  $(e, \delta, \alpha)$  with

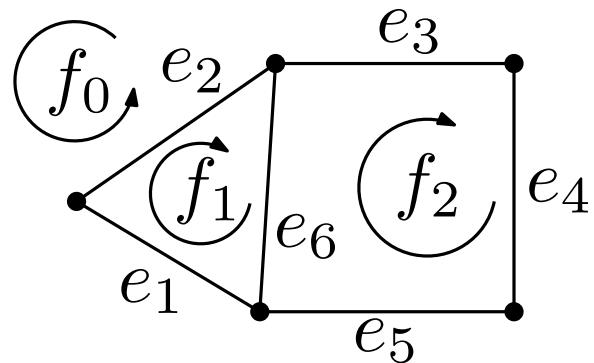
- $e$  edge of  $f$
- $\delta$  is sequence of  $\{0, 1\}^*$  ( $0$  = right bend,  $1$  = left bend)
- $\alpha$  is angle  $\in \{\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi\}$  between  $e$  and next edge  $e'$

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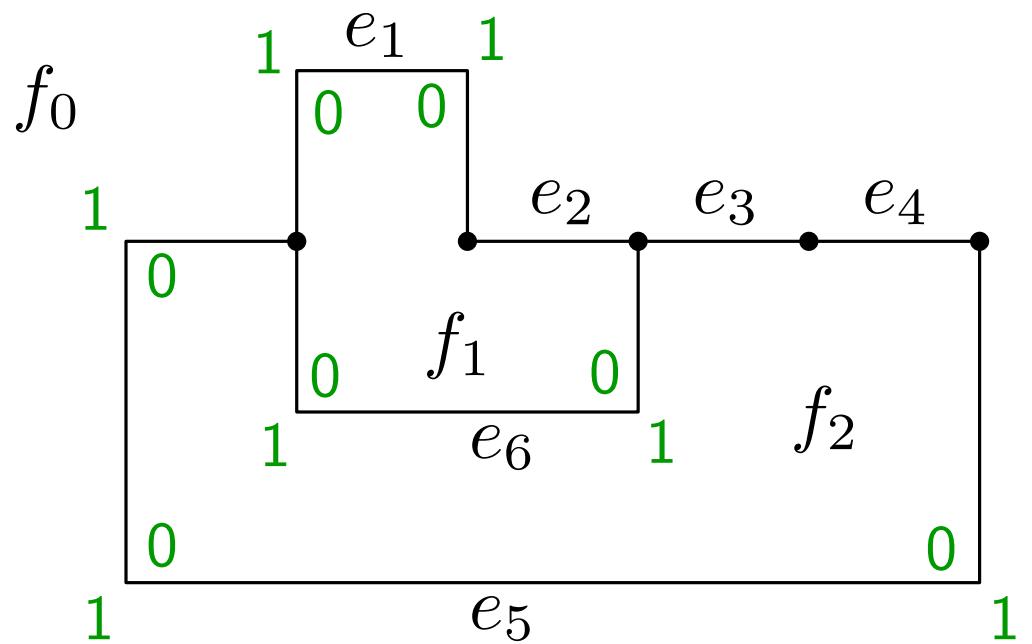
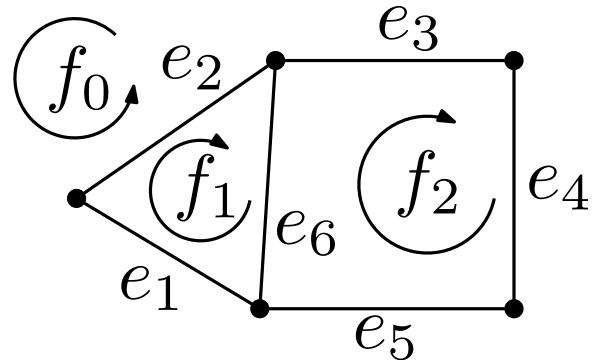
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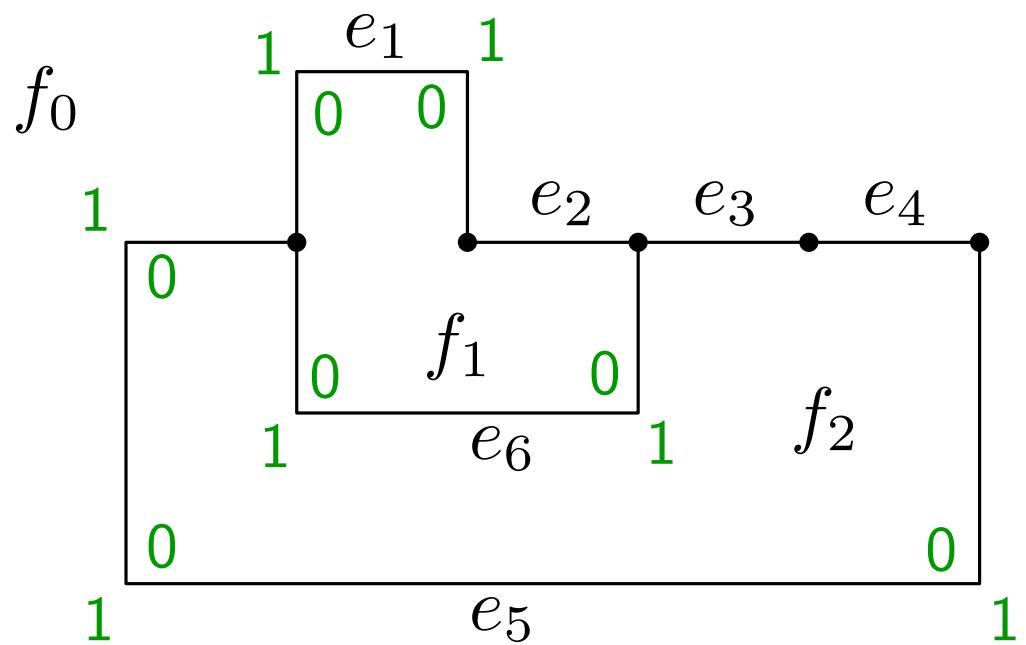
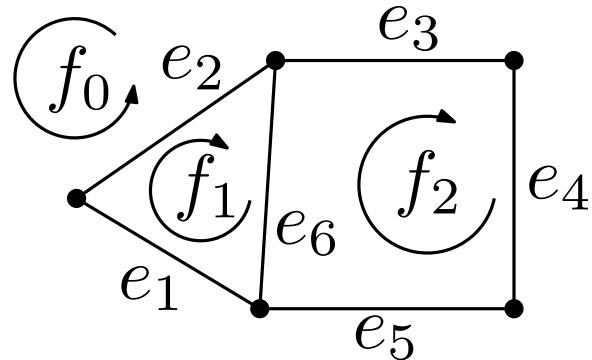
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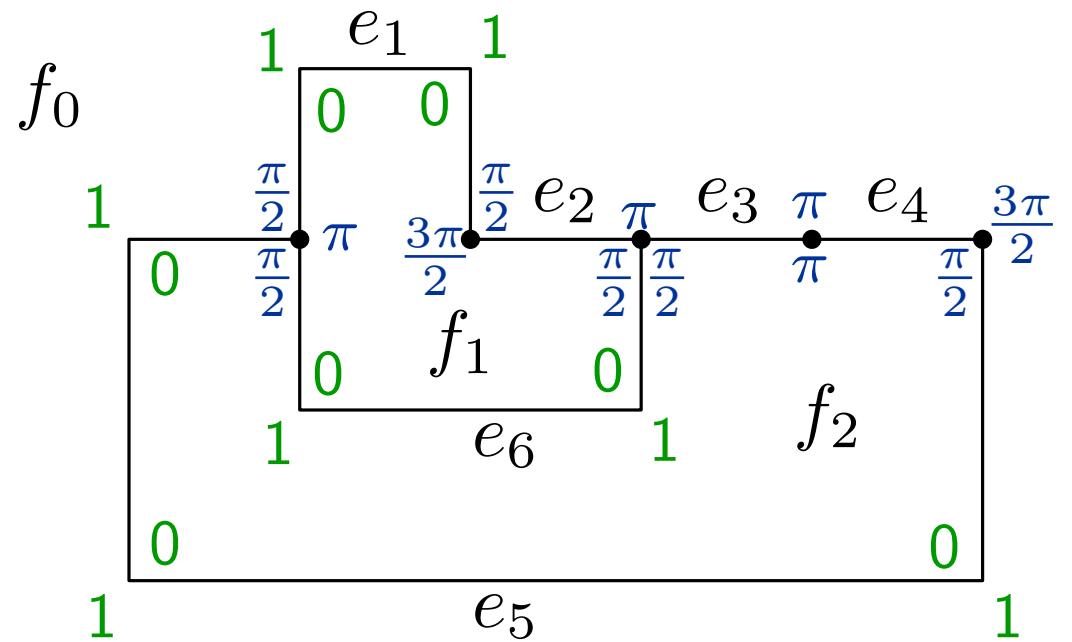
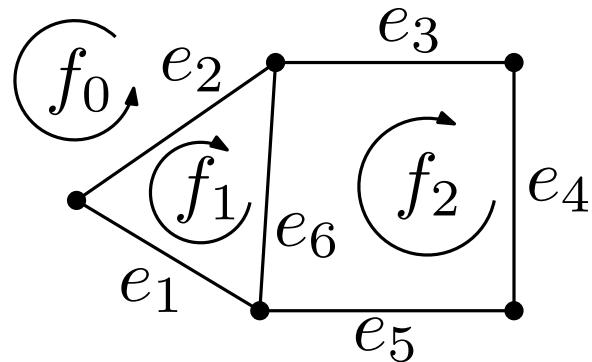


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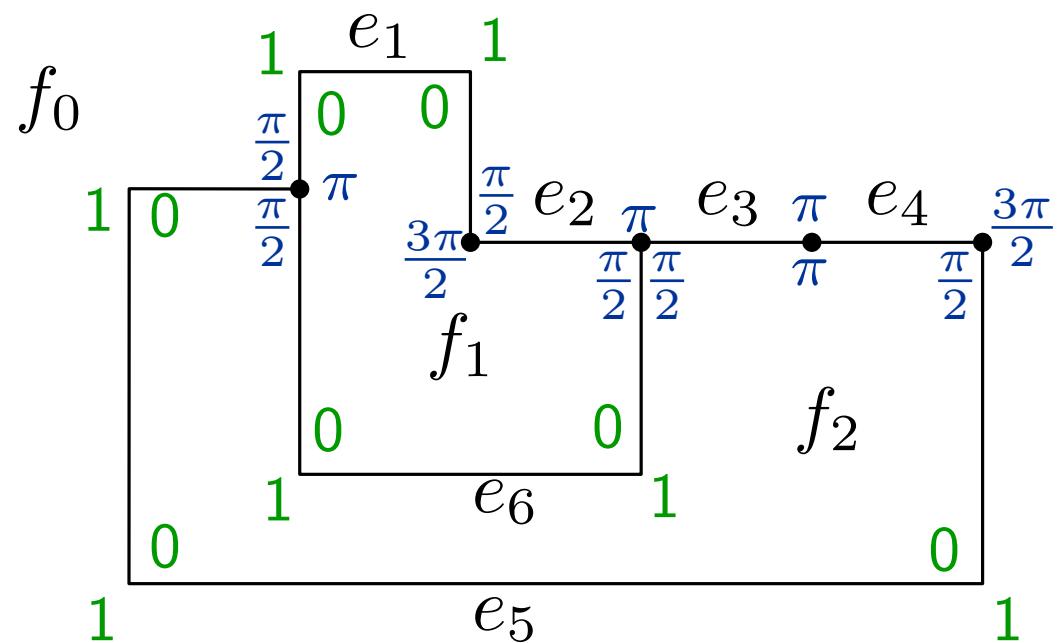
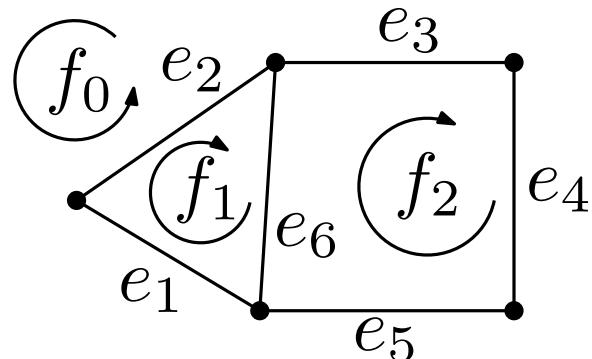


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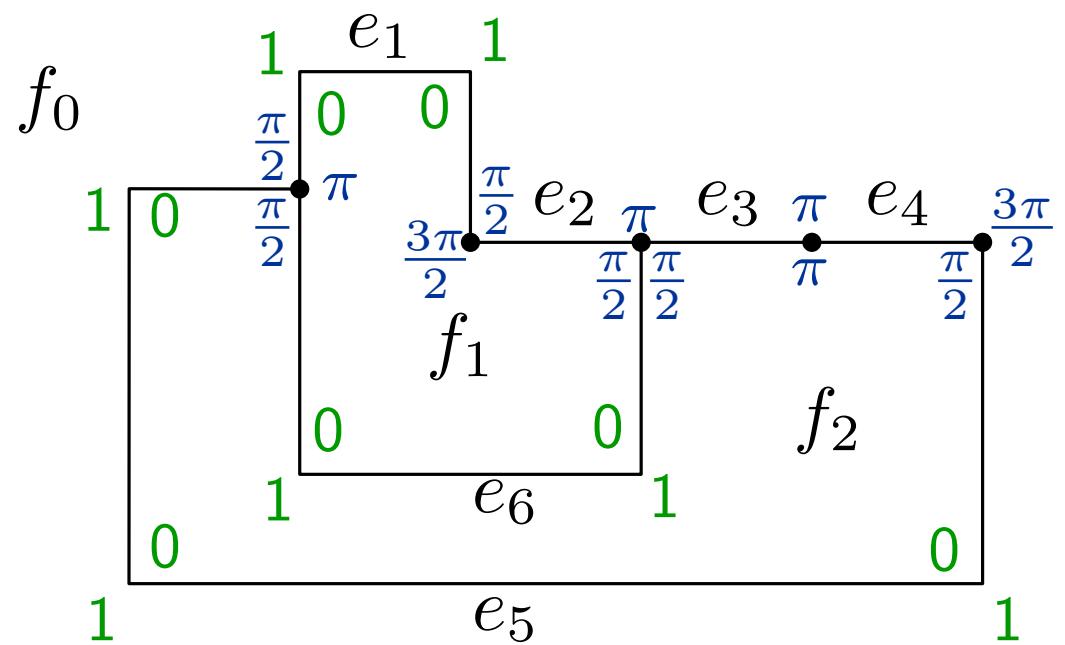
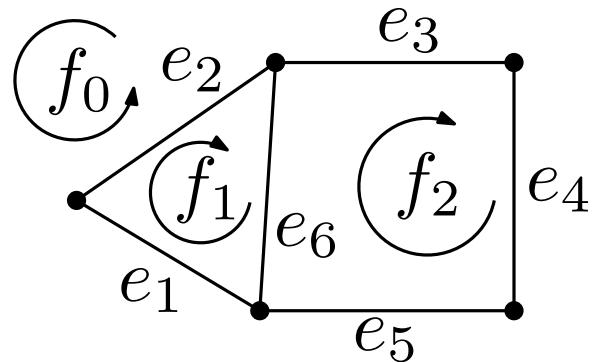


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**Pair, think and share:**

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**5 min**

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# Reminder: General Flow Network

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- edge **capacity**  $c : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$
- node **production/consumption**  $b : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  
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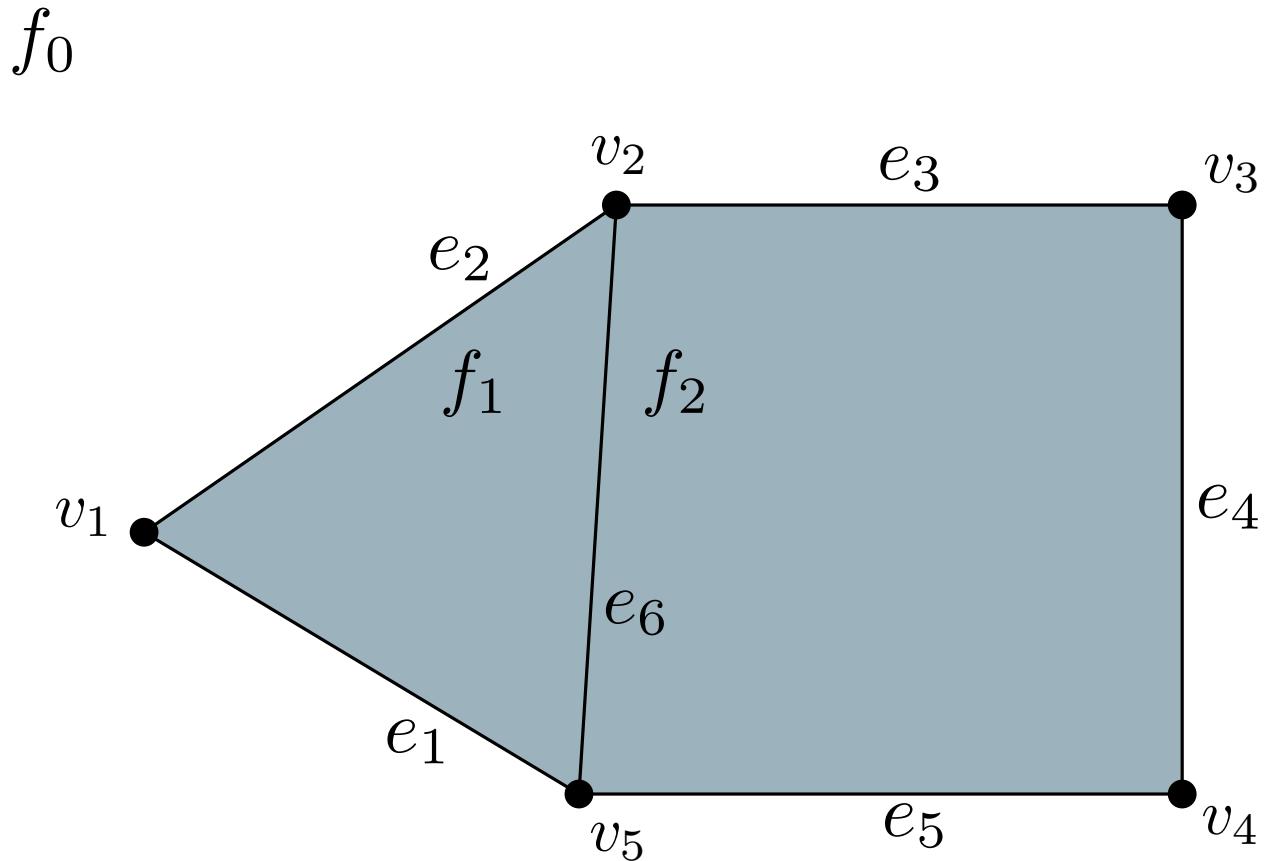
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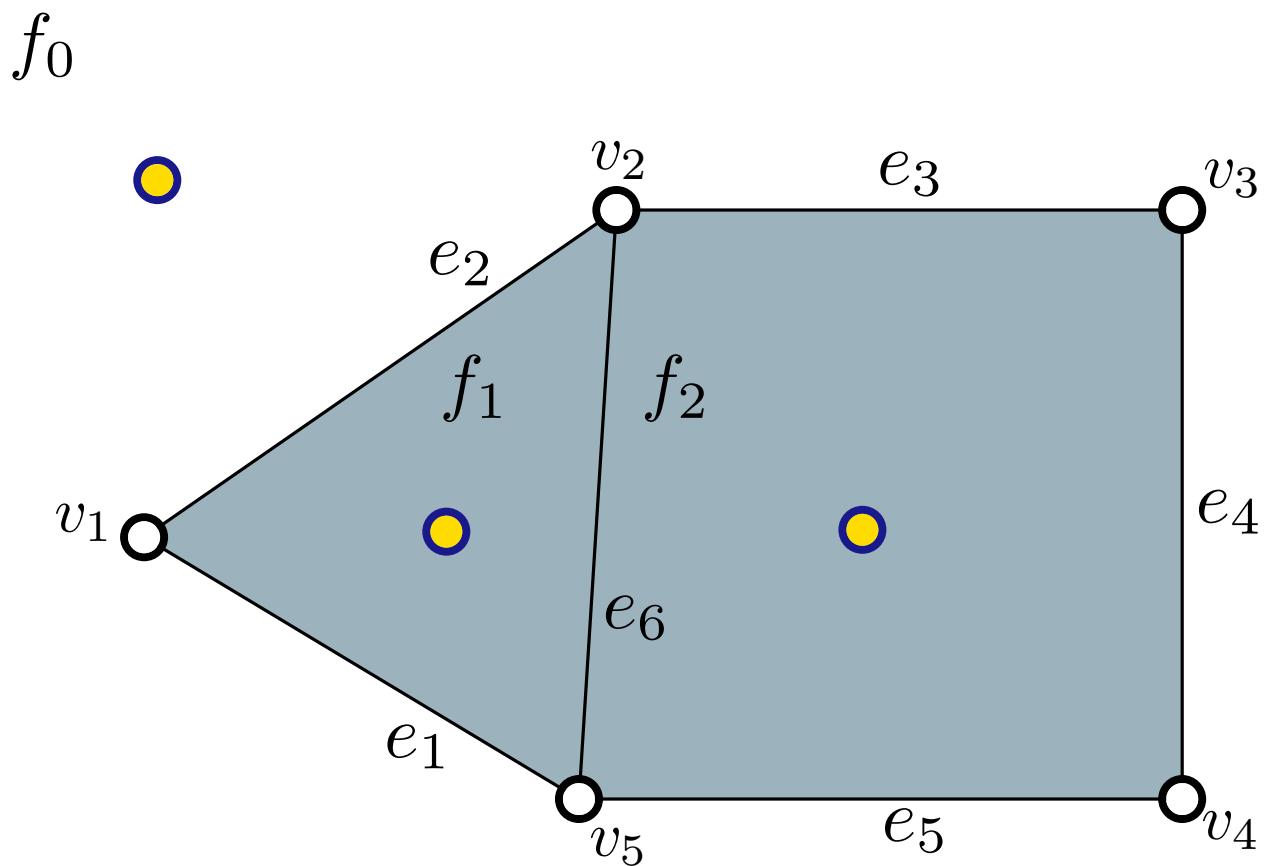
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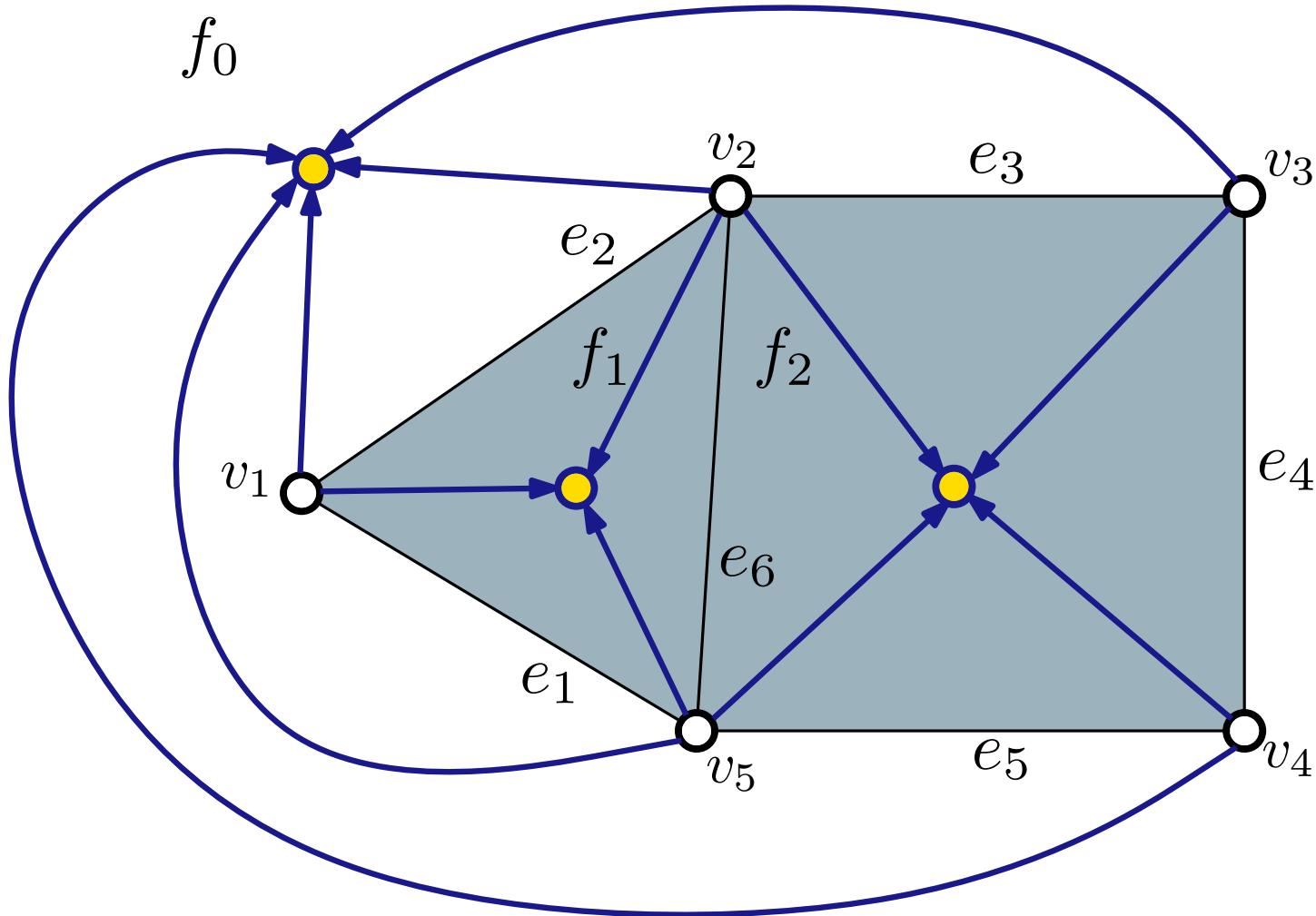


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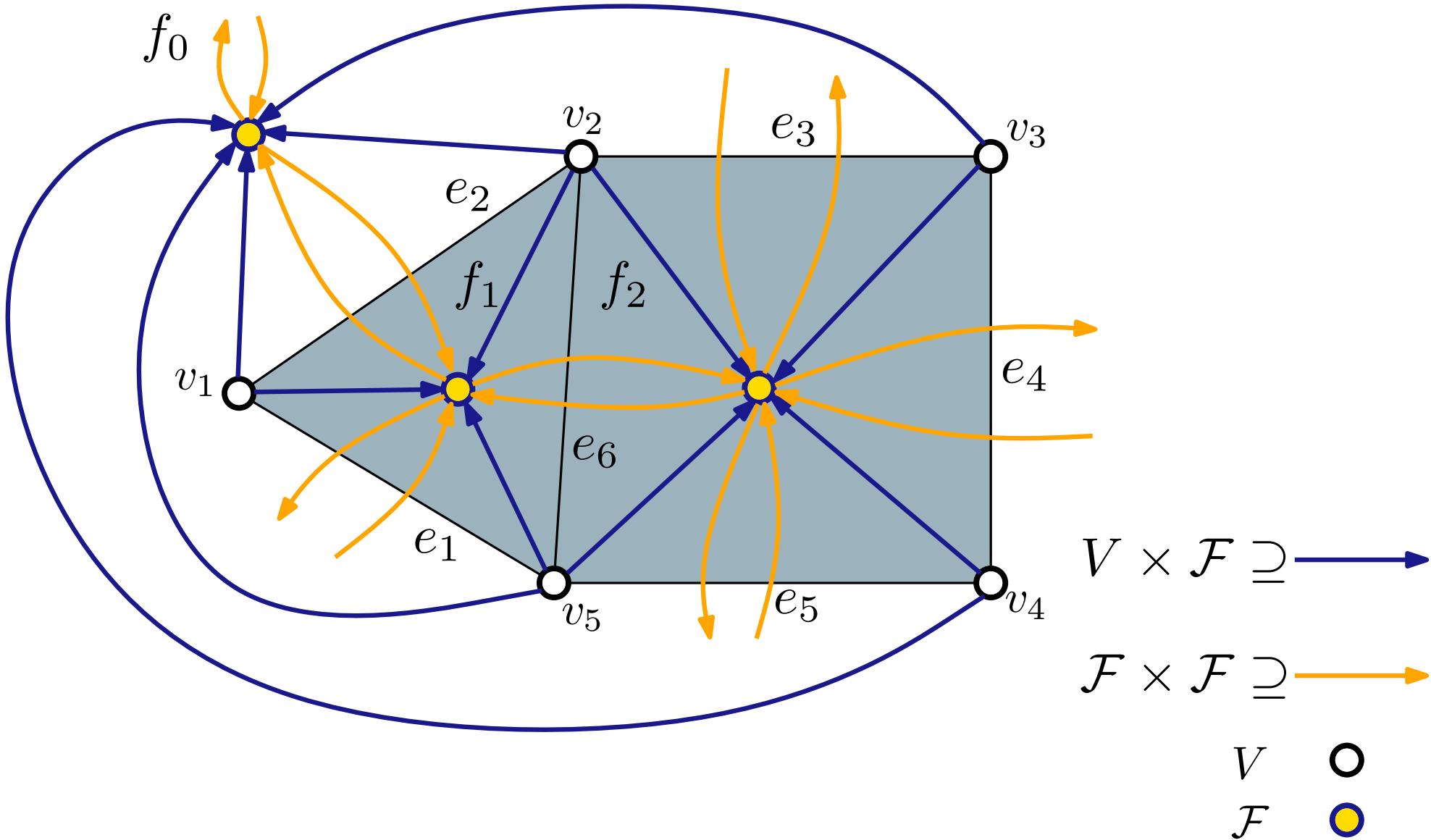
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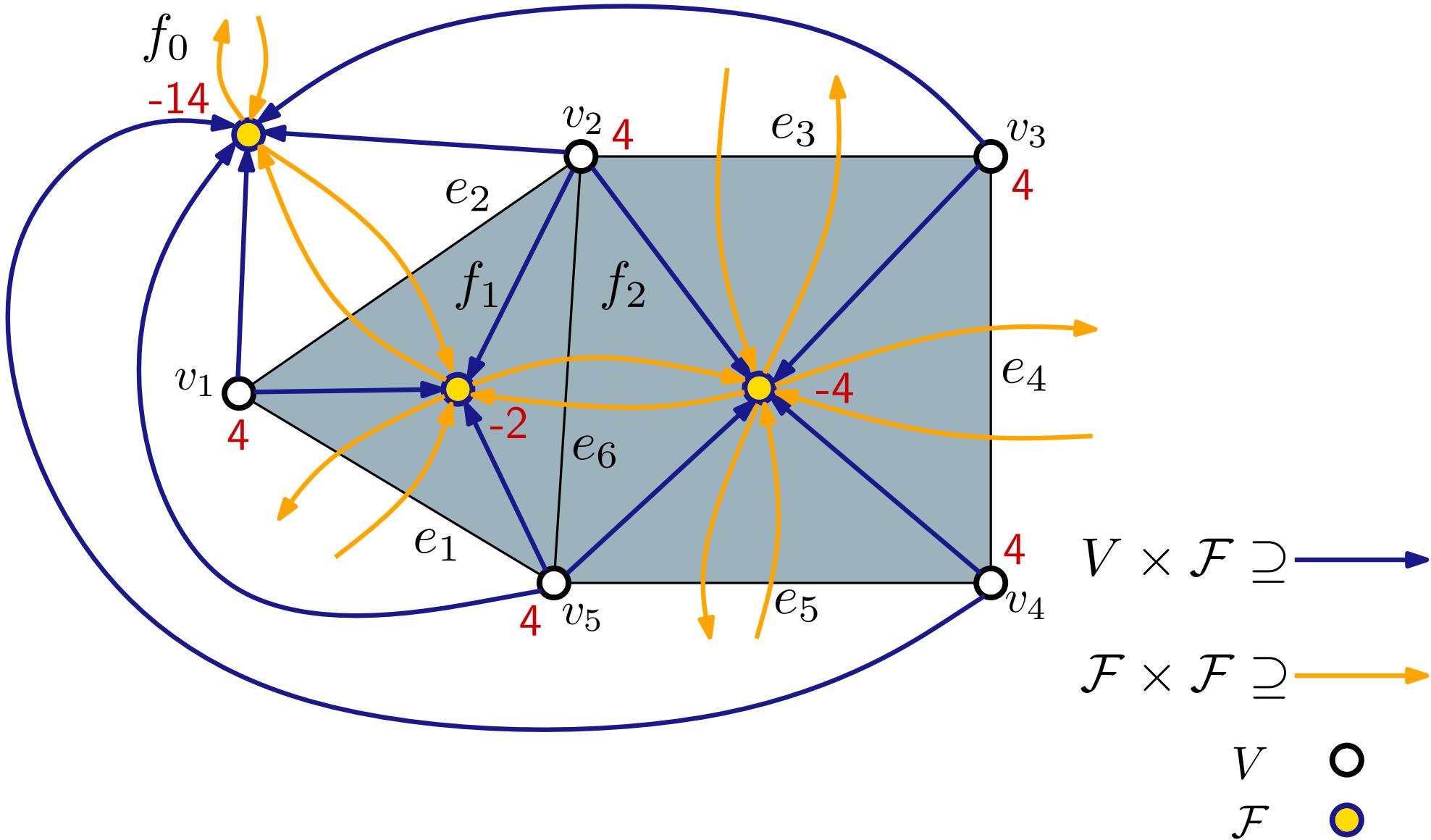
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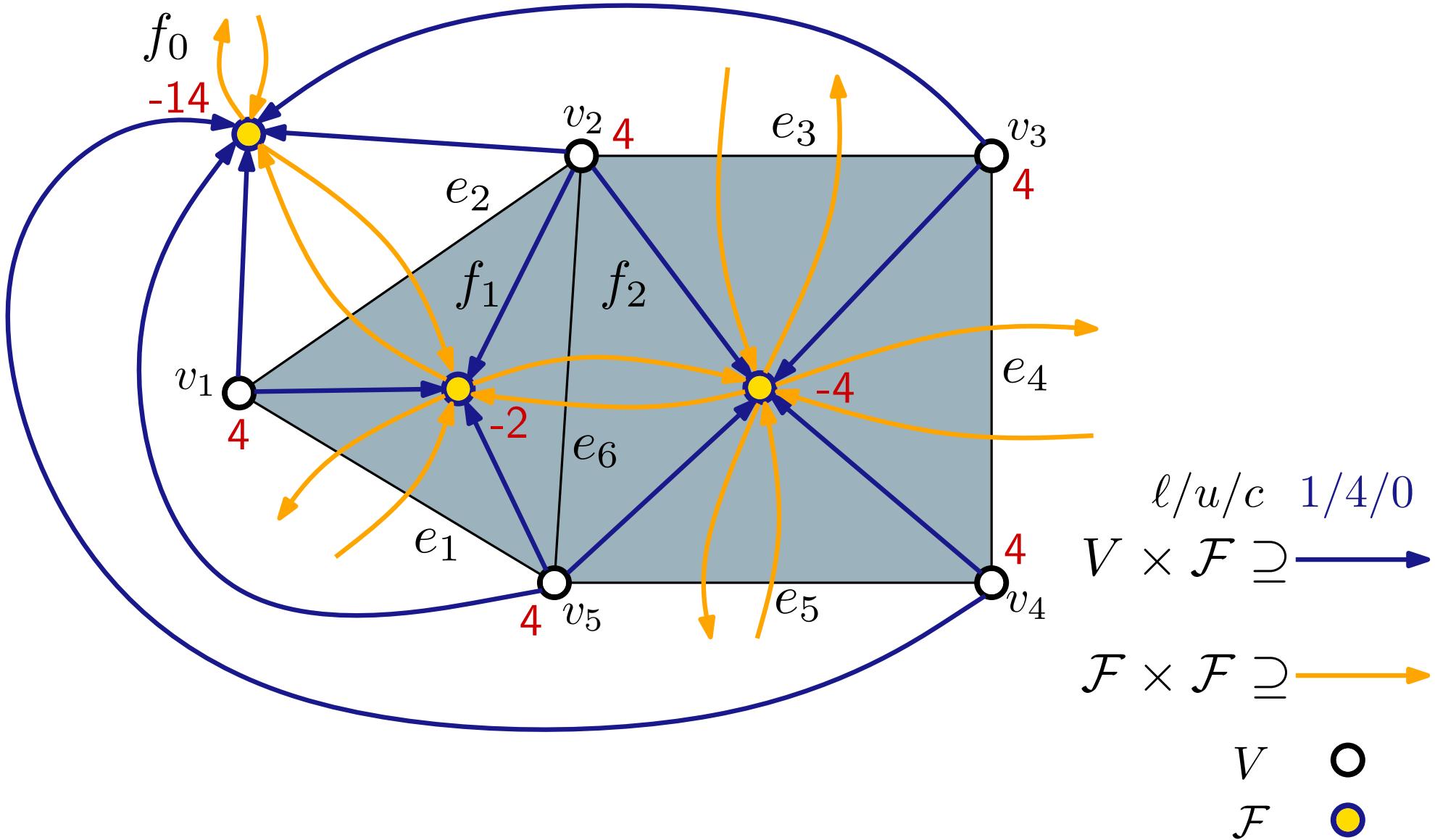
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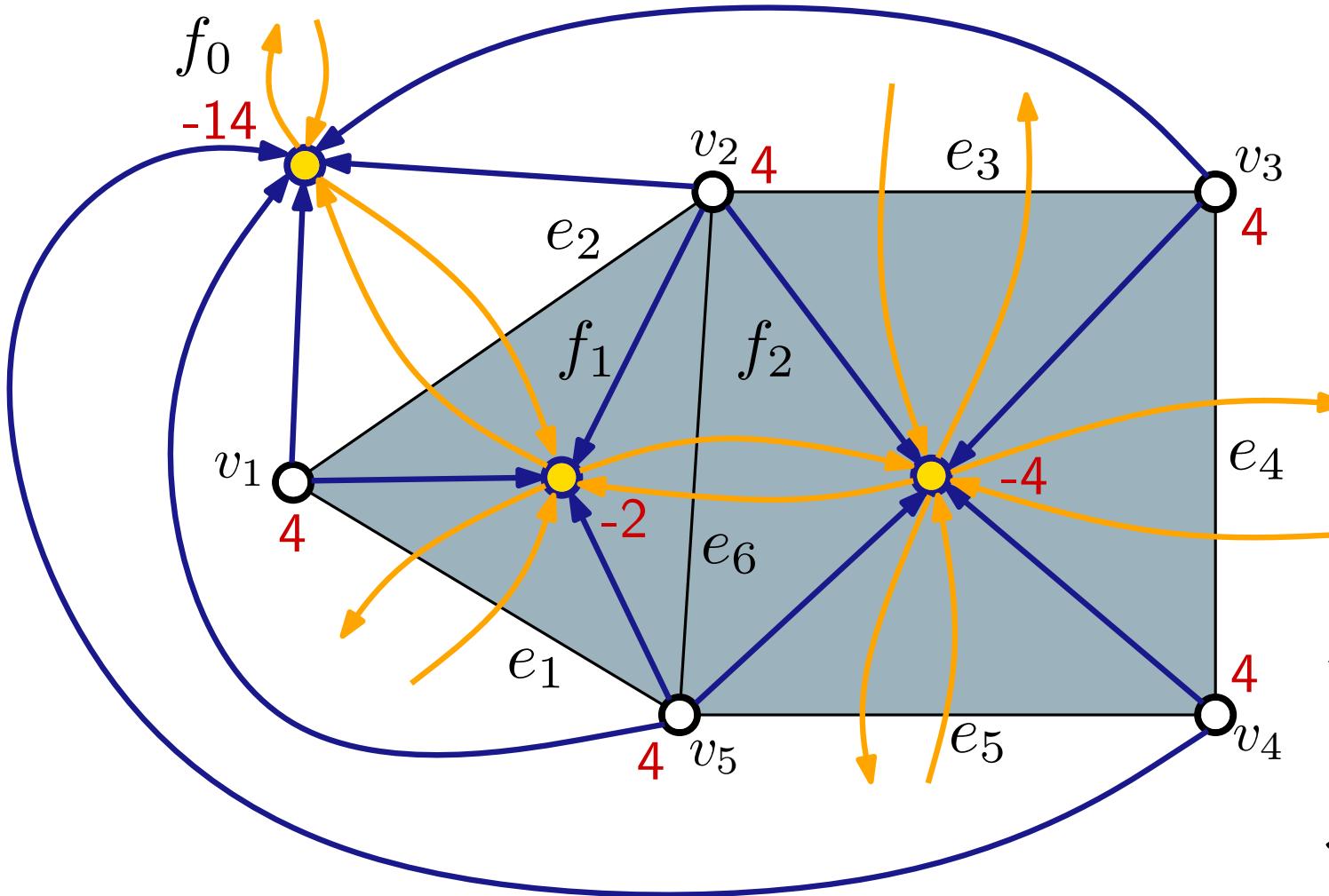
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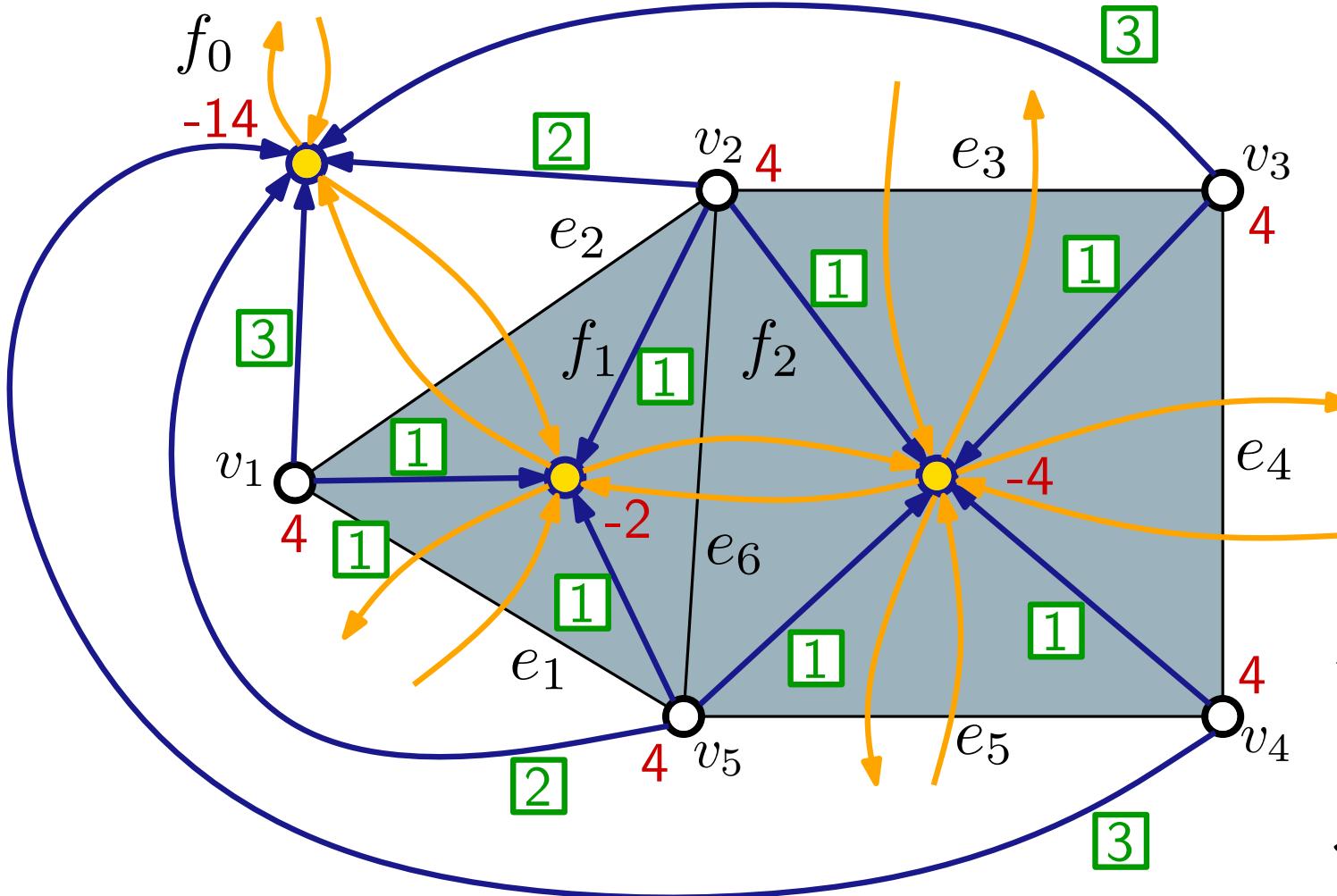
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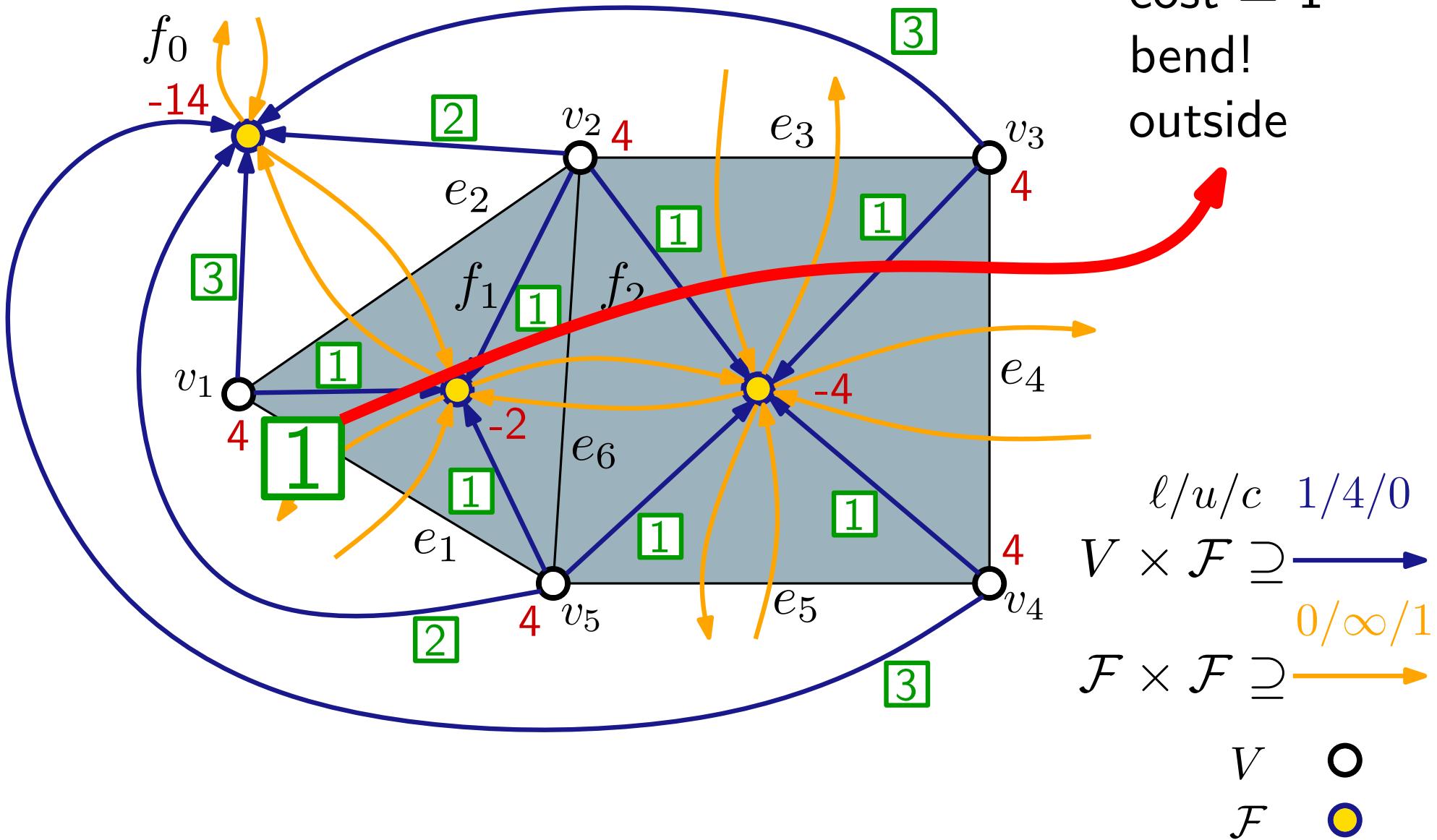


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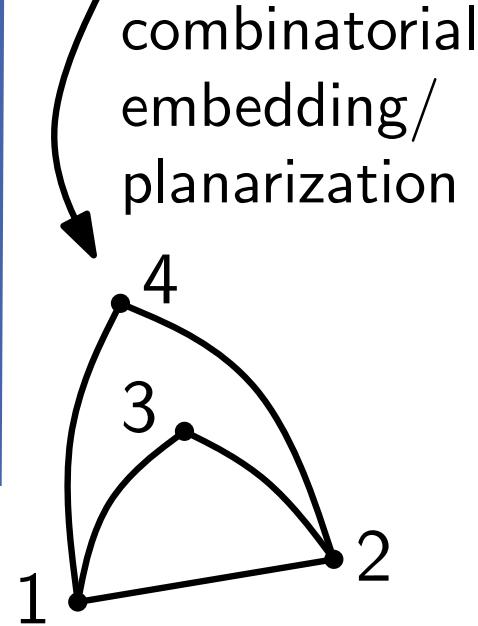
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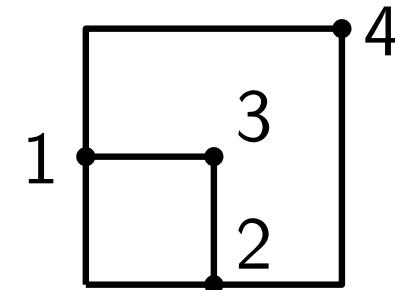
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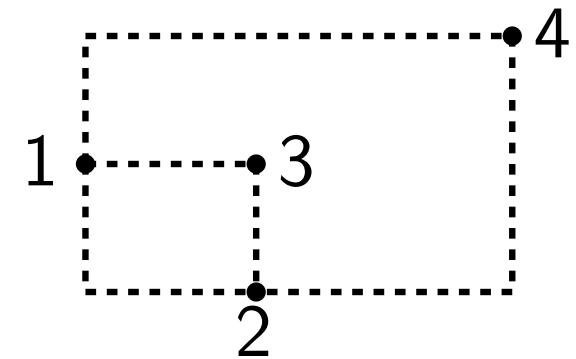
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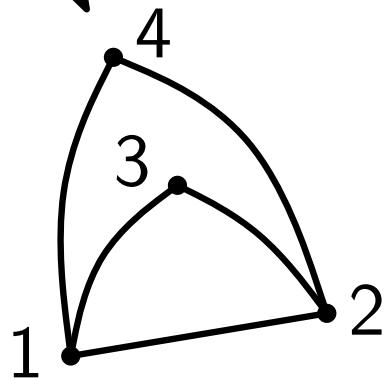
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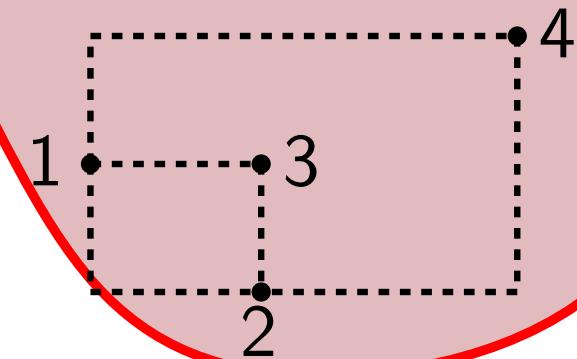


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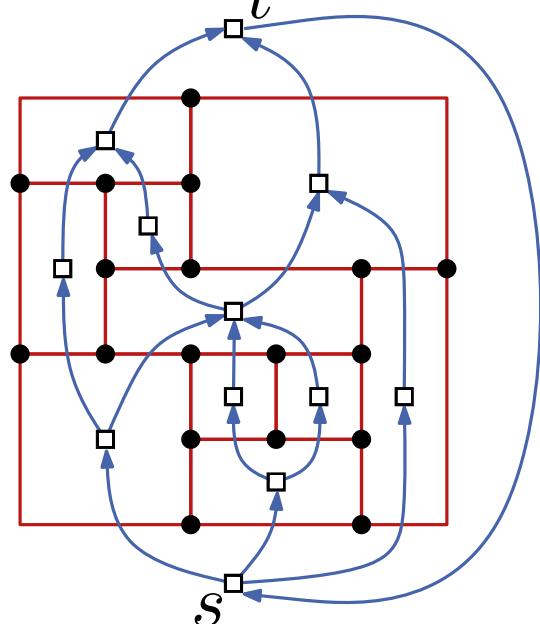
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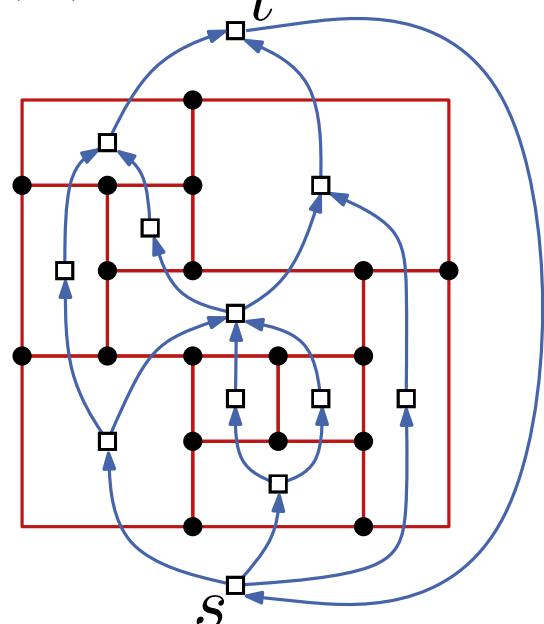


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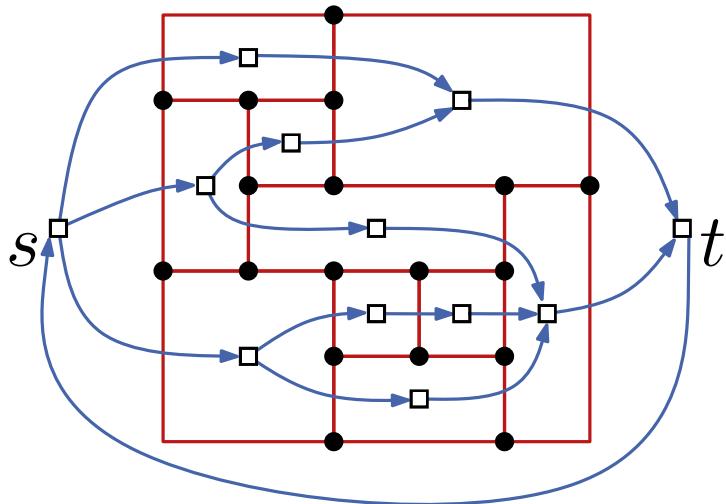
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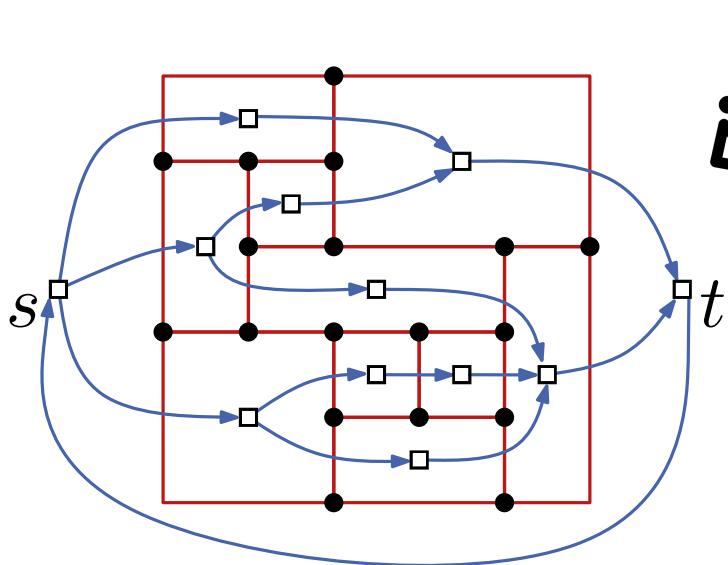
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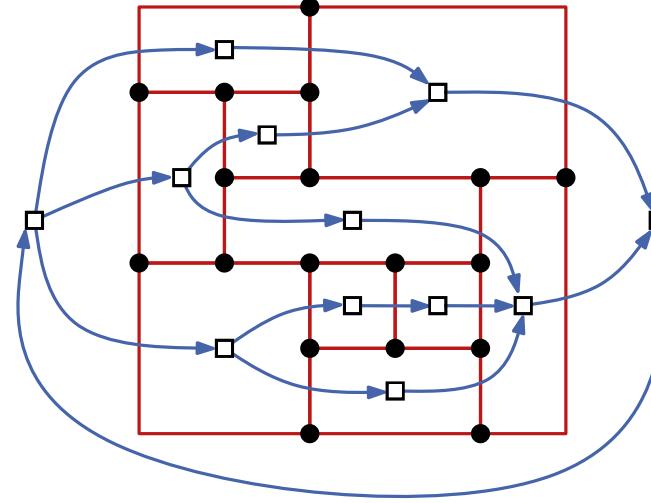
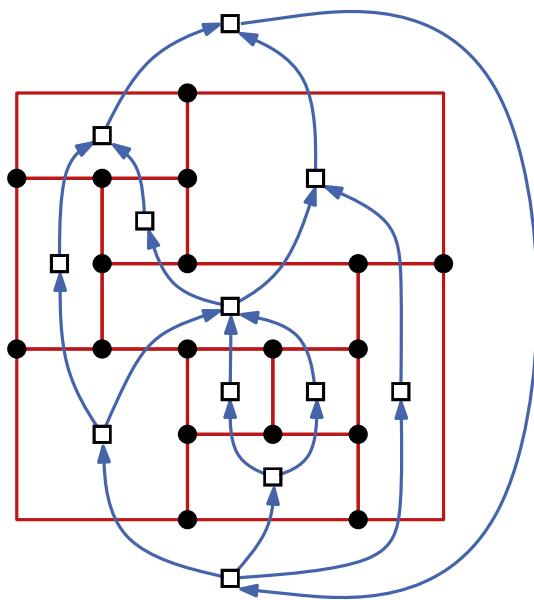
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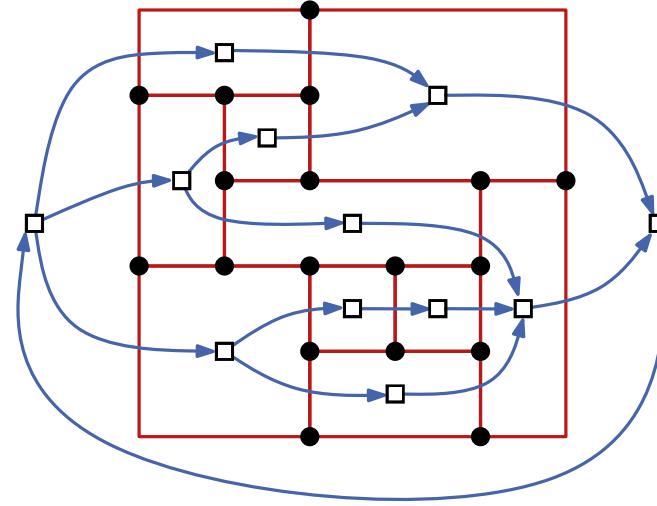
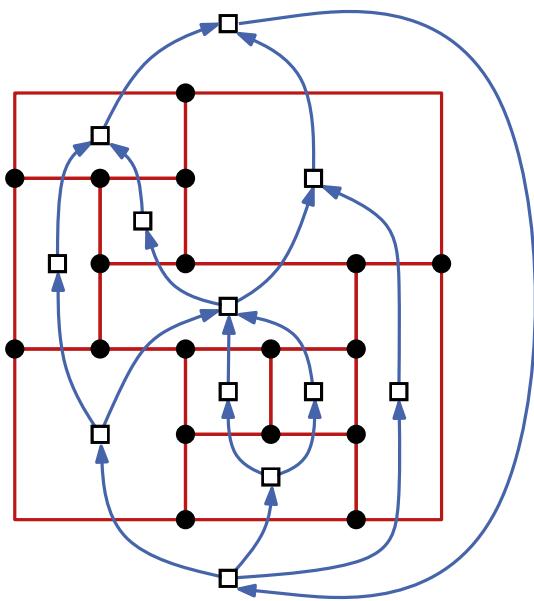
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# Optimal Layout



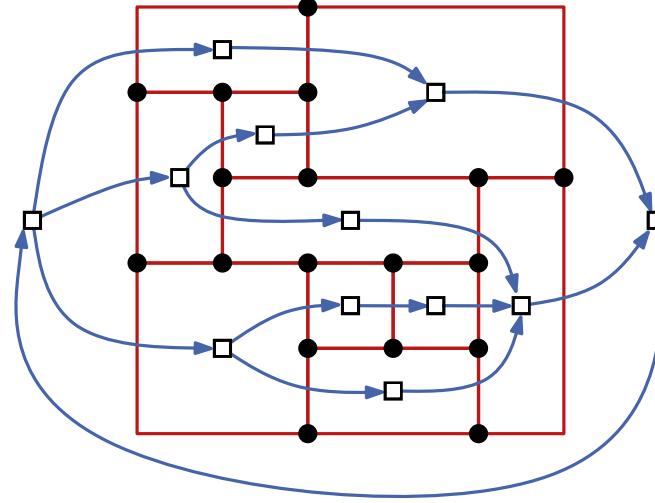
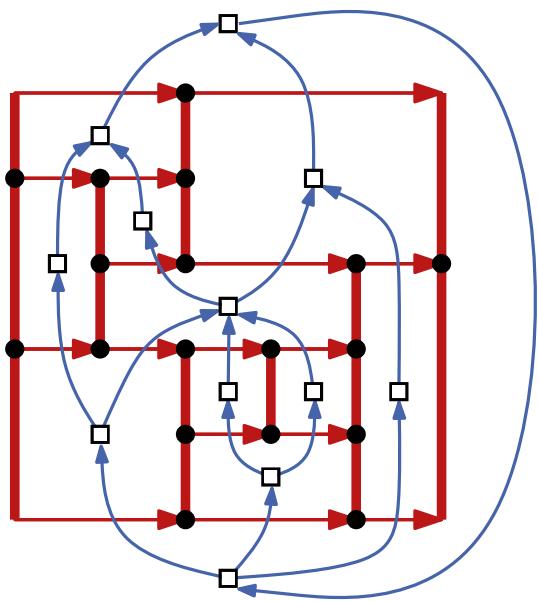
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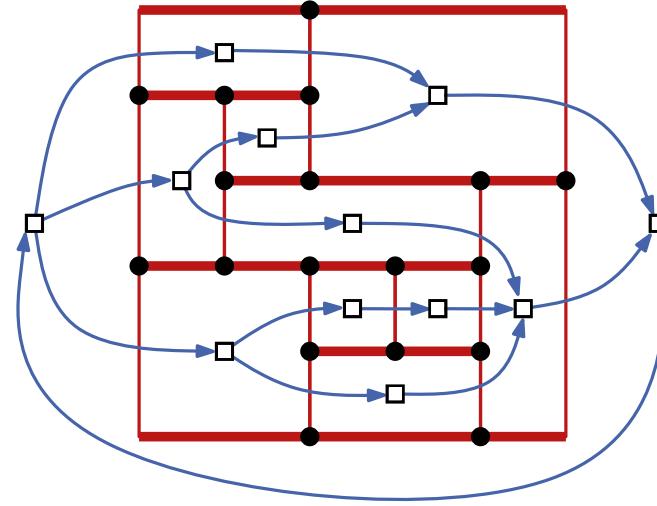
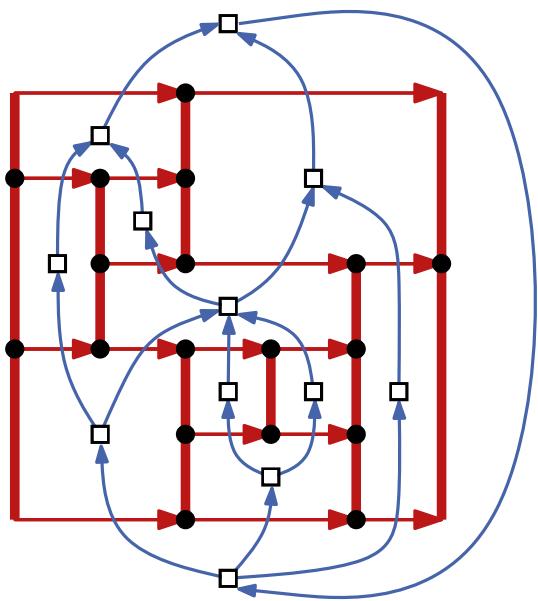
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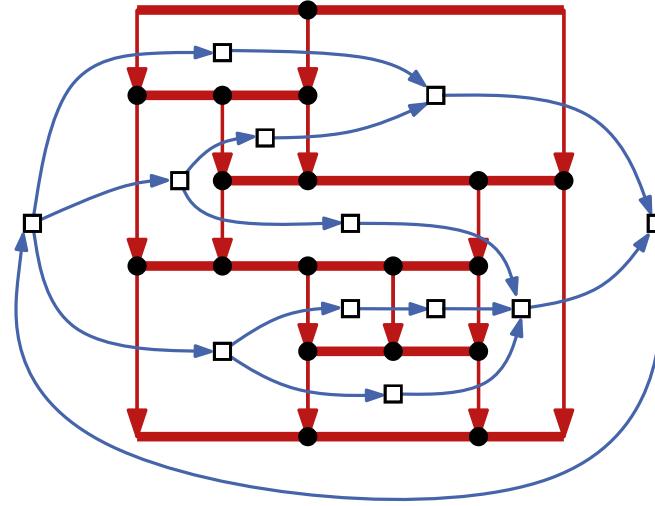
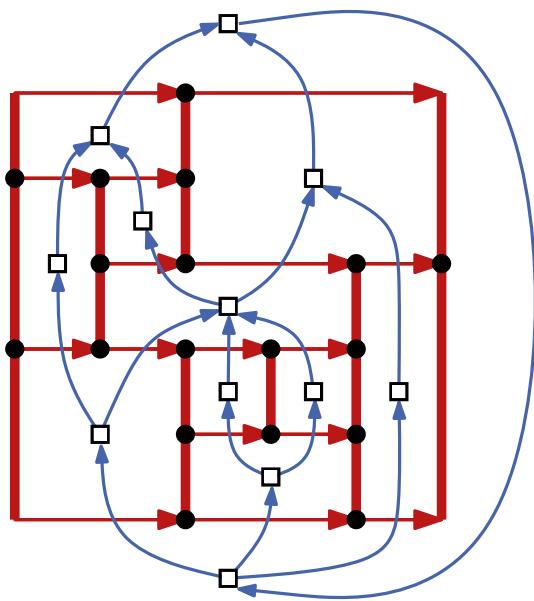
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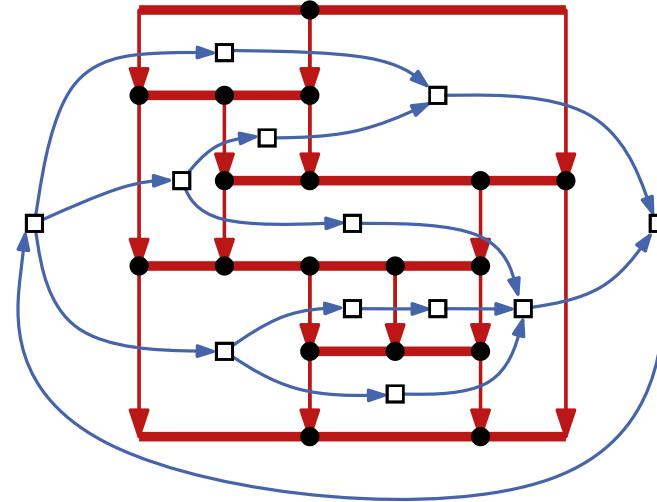
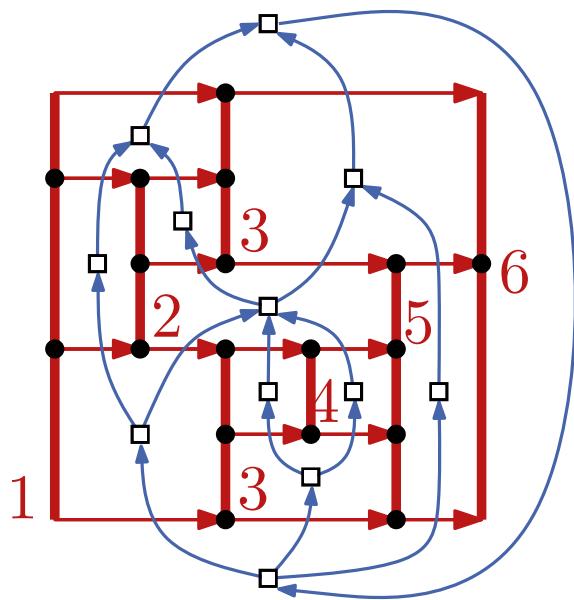
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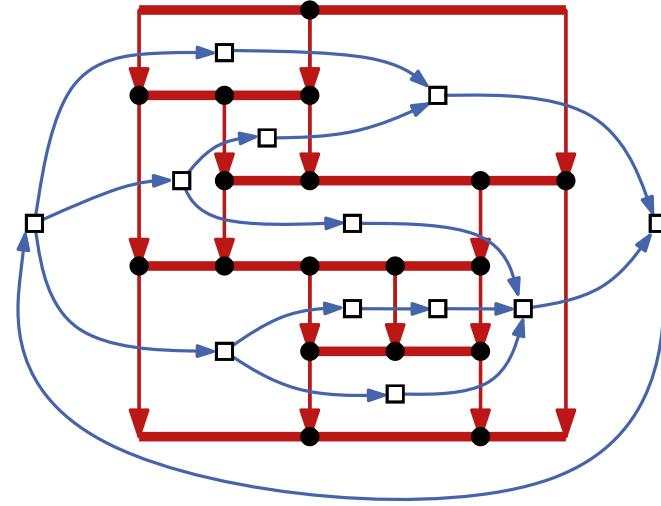
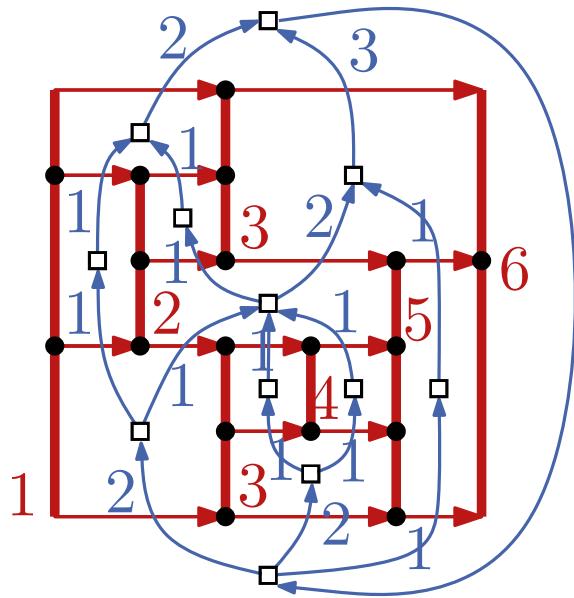
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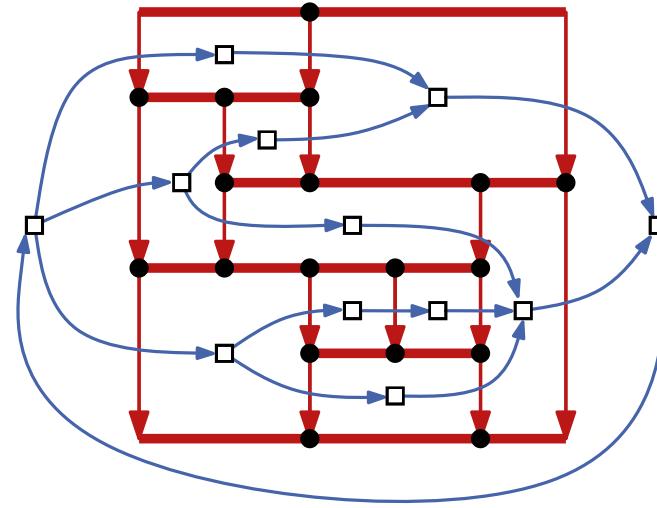
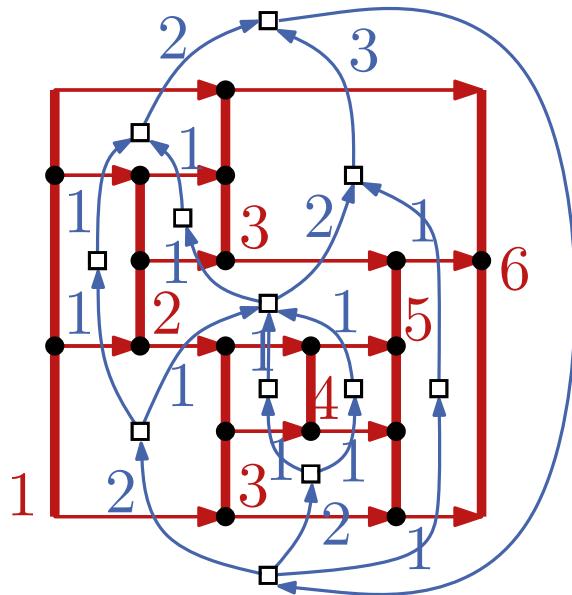
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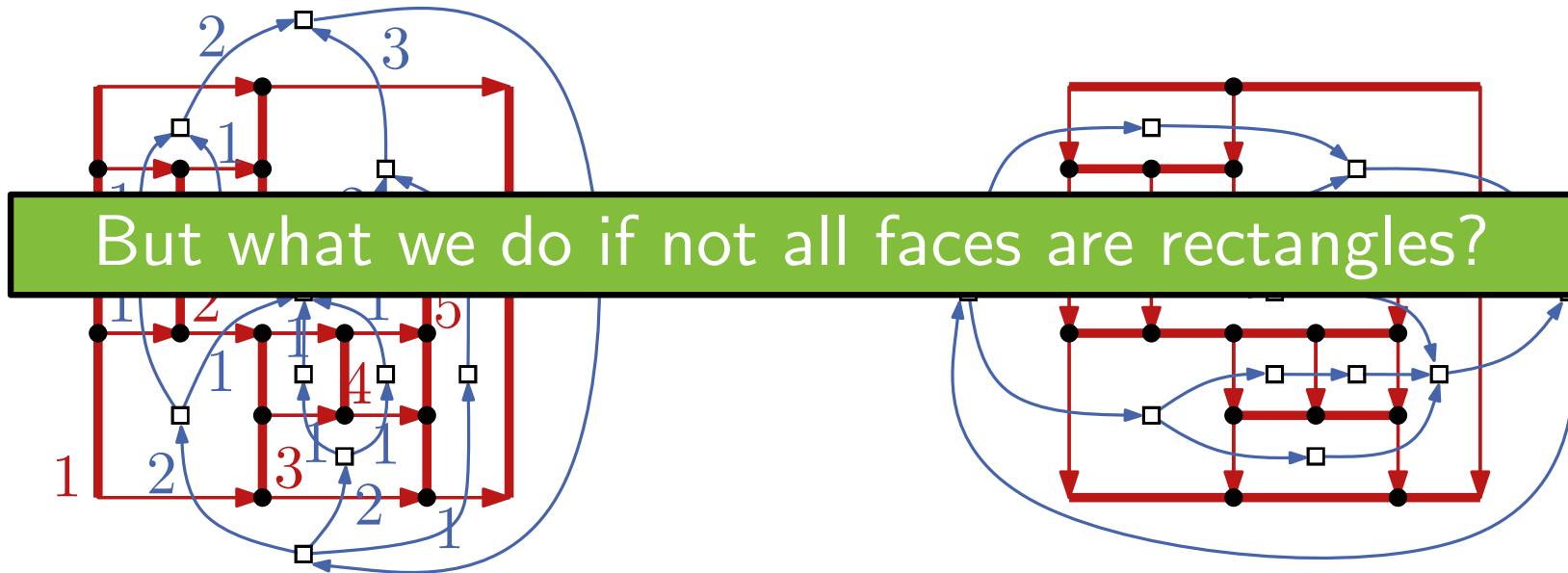
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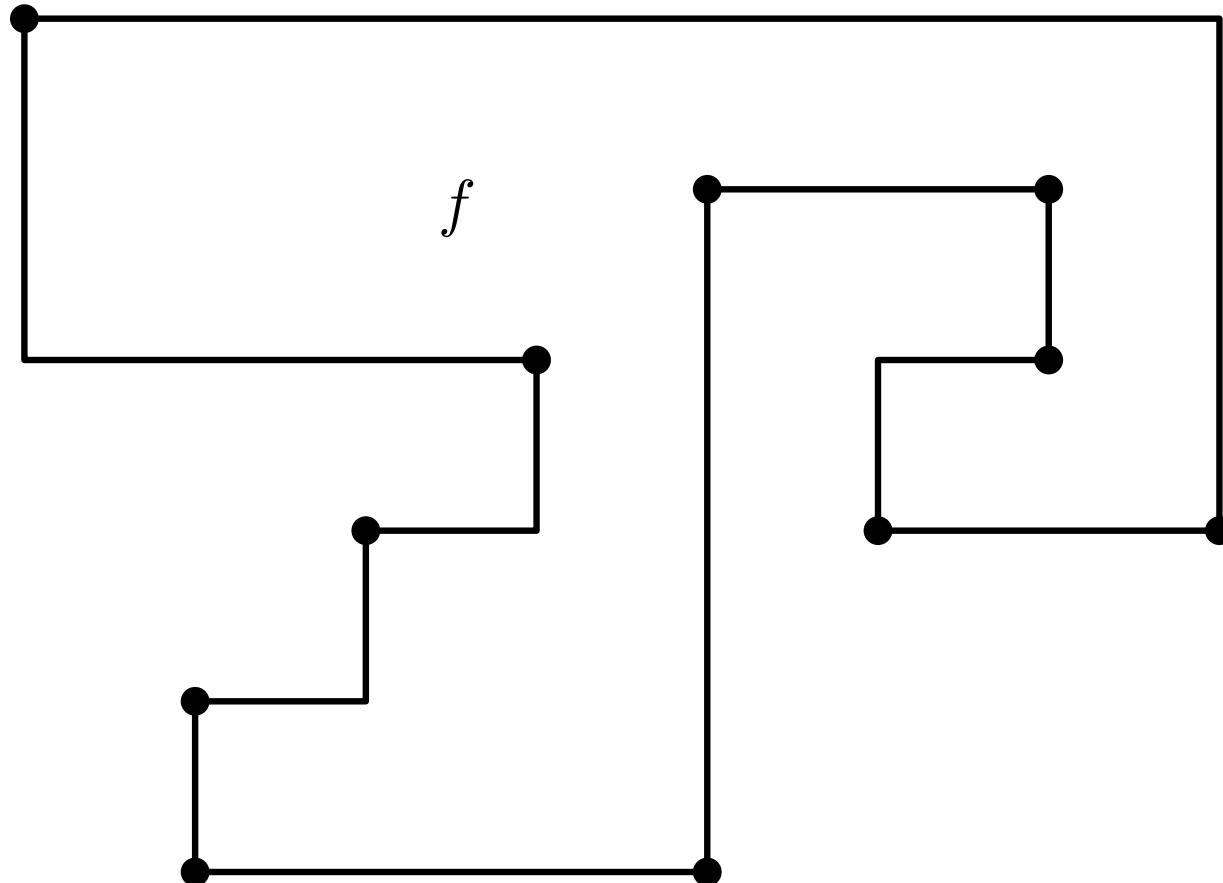
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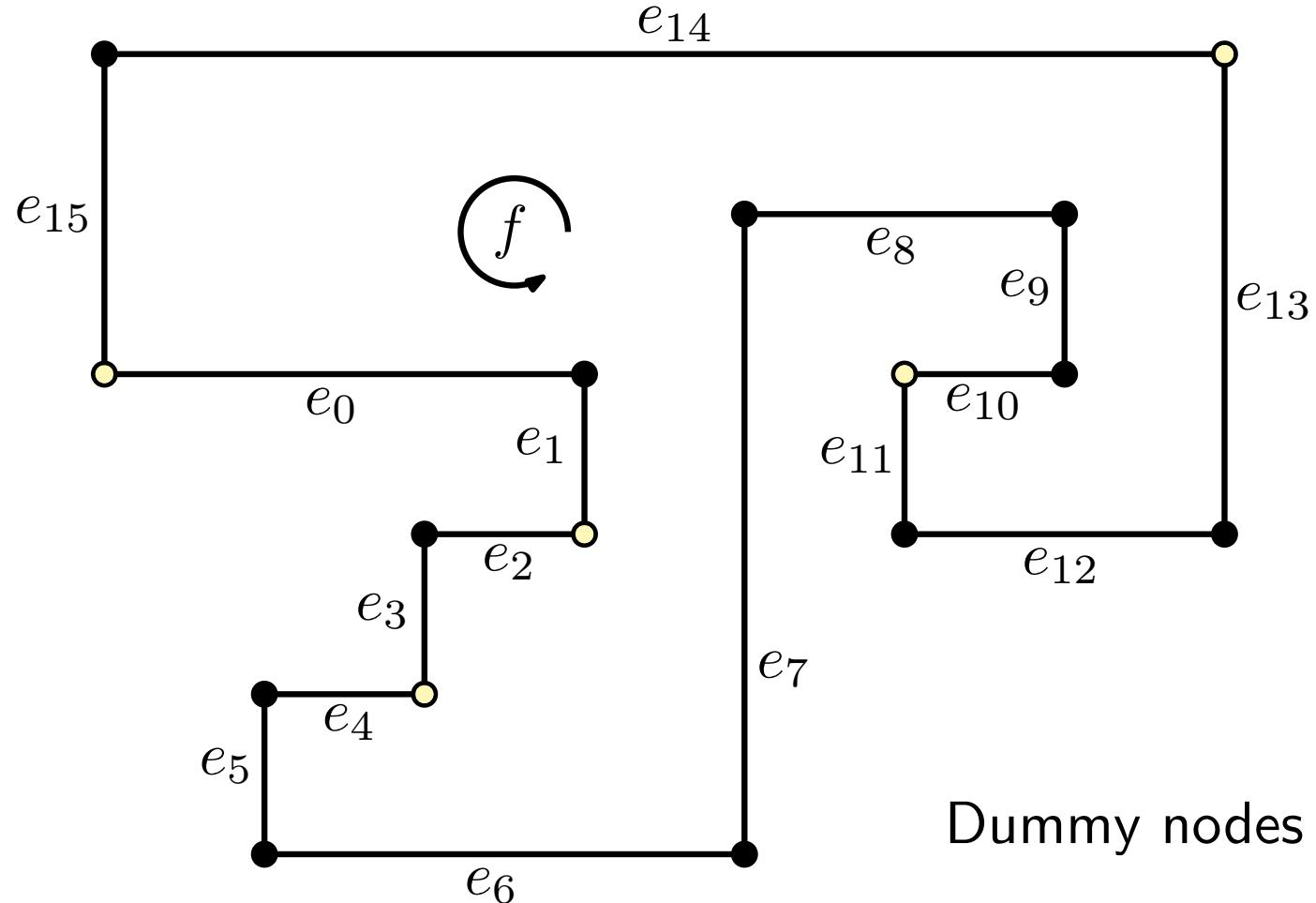


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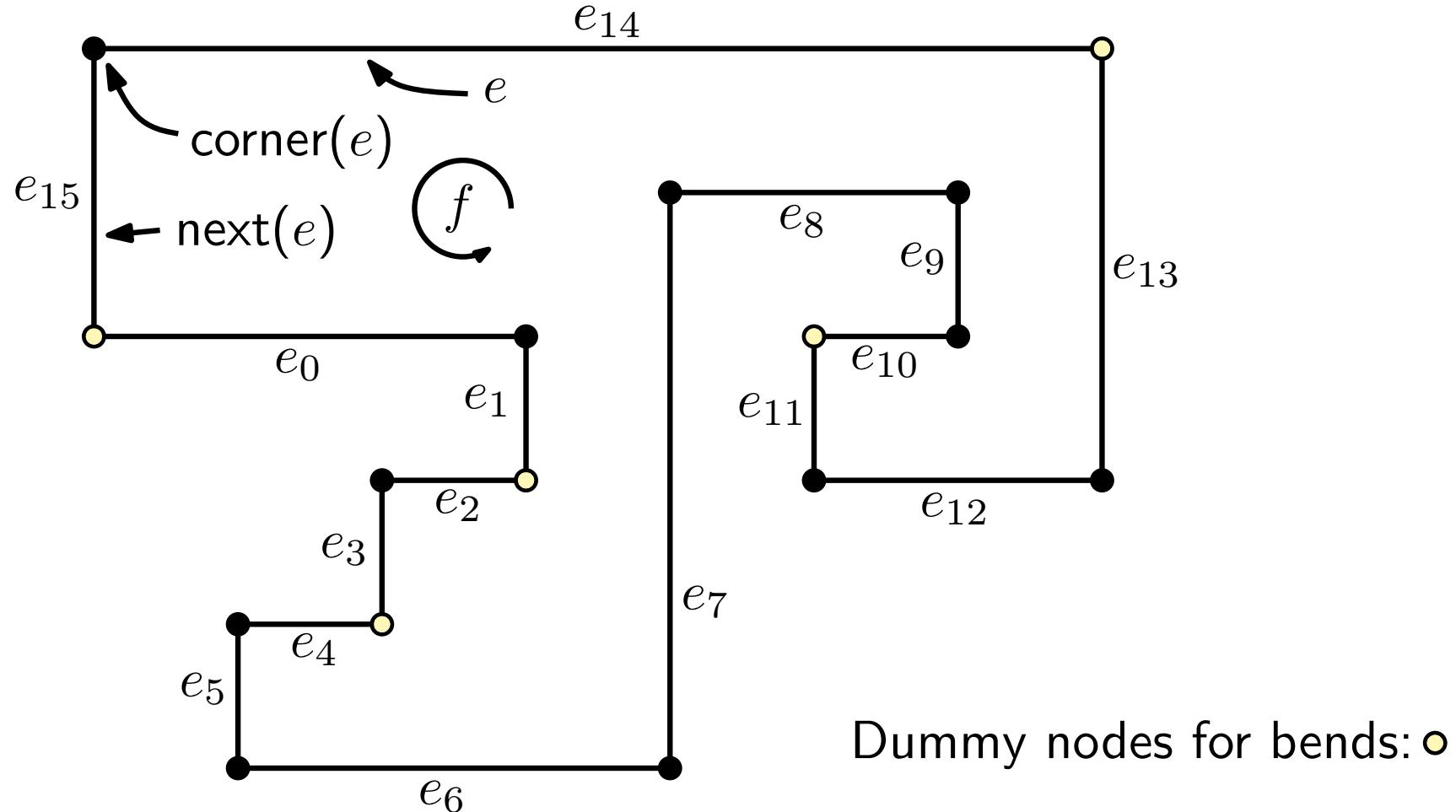
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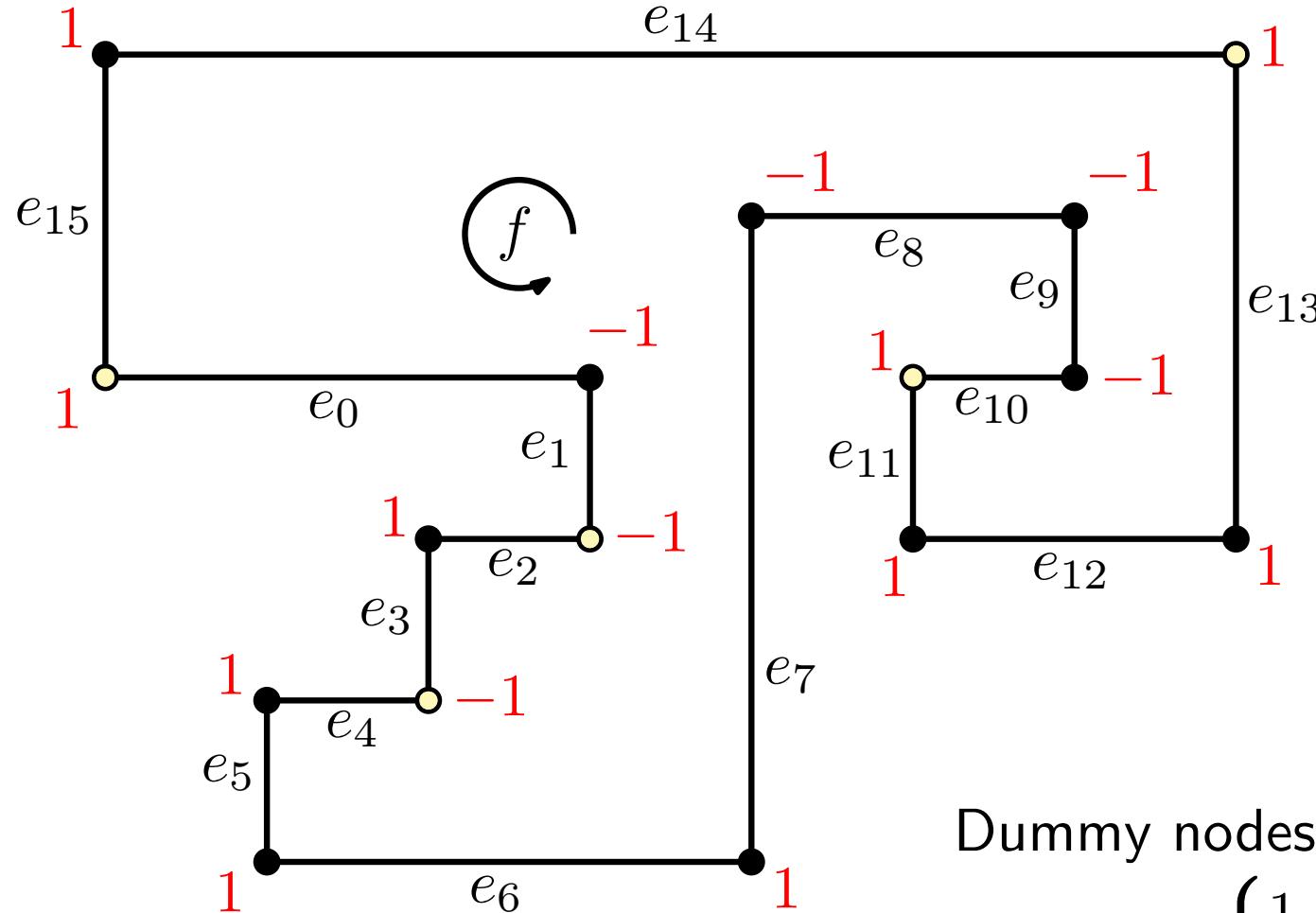
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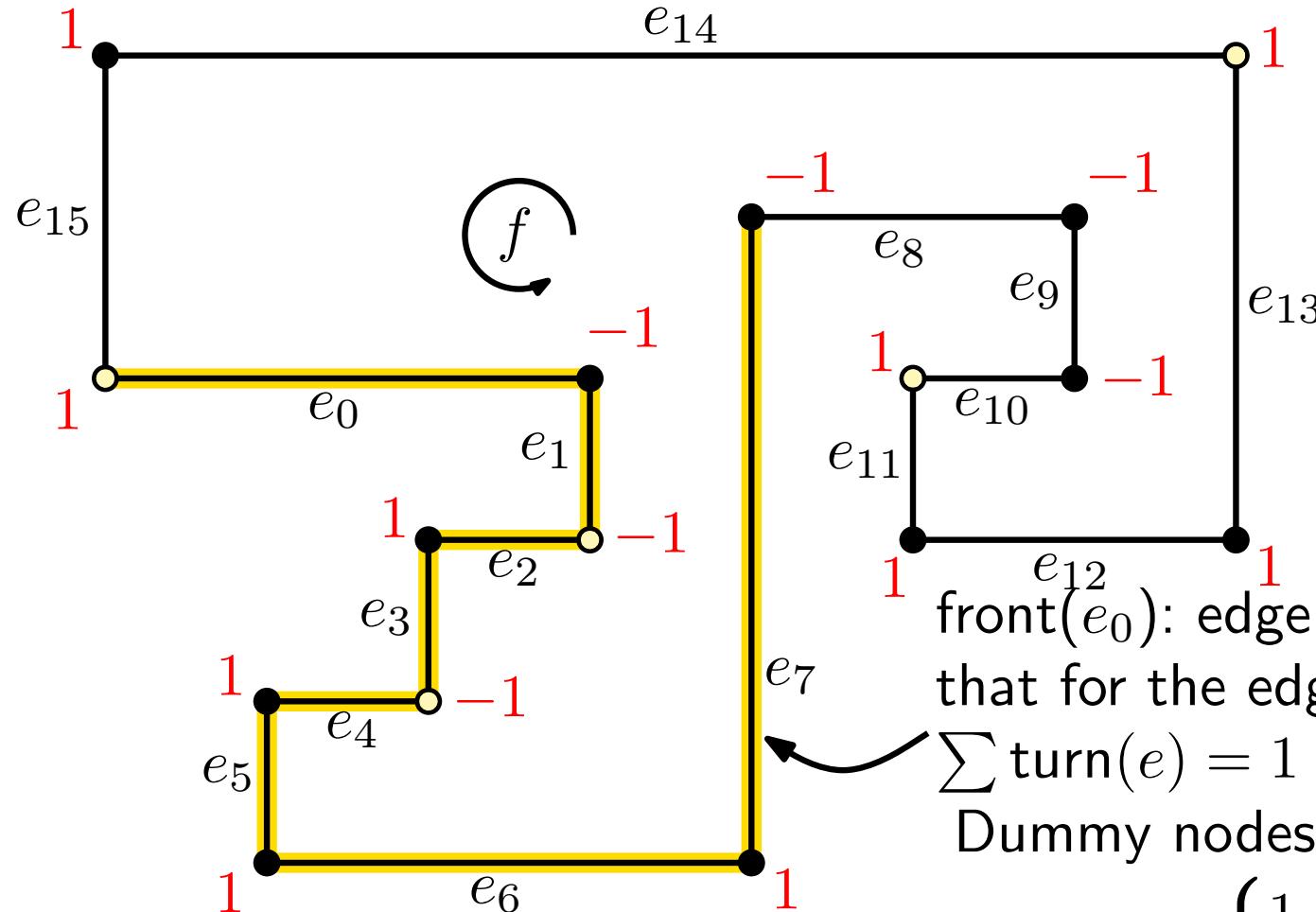
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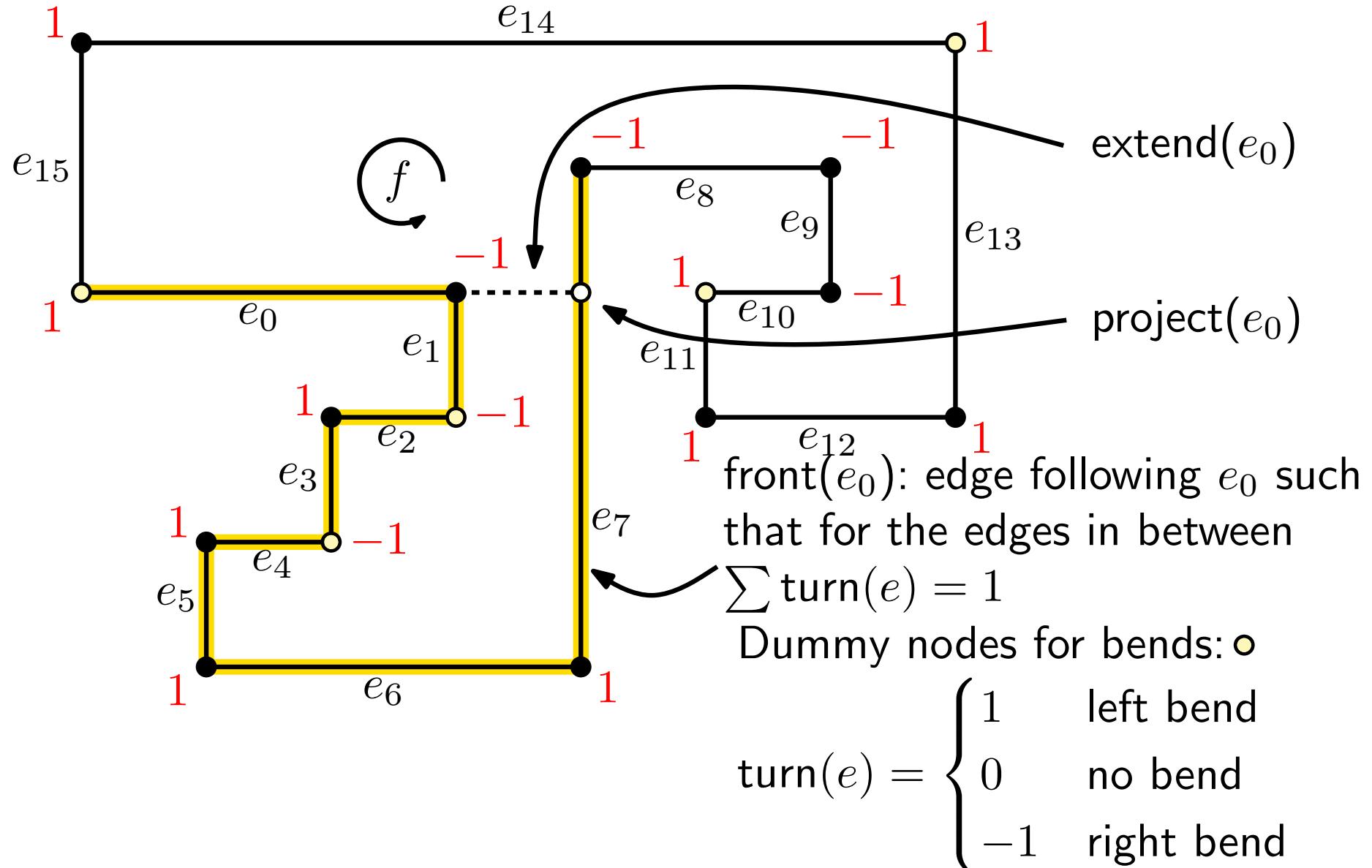
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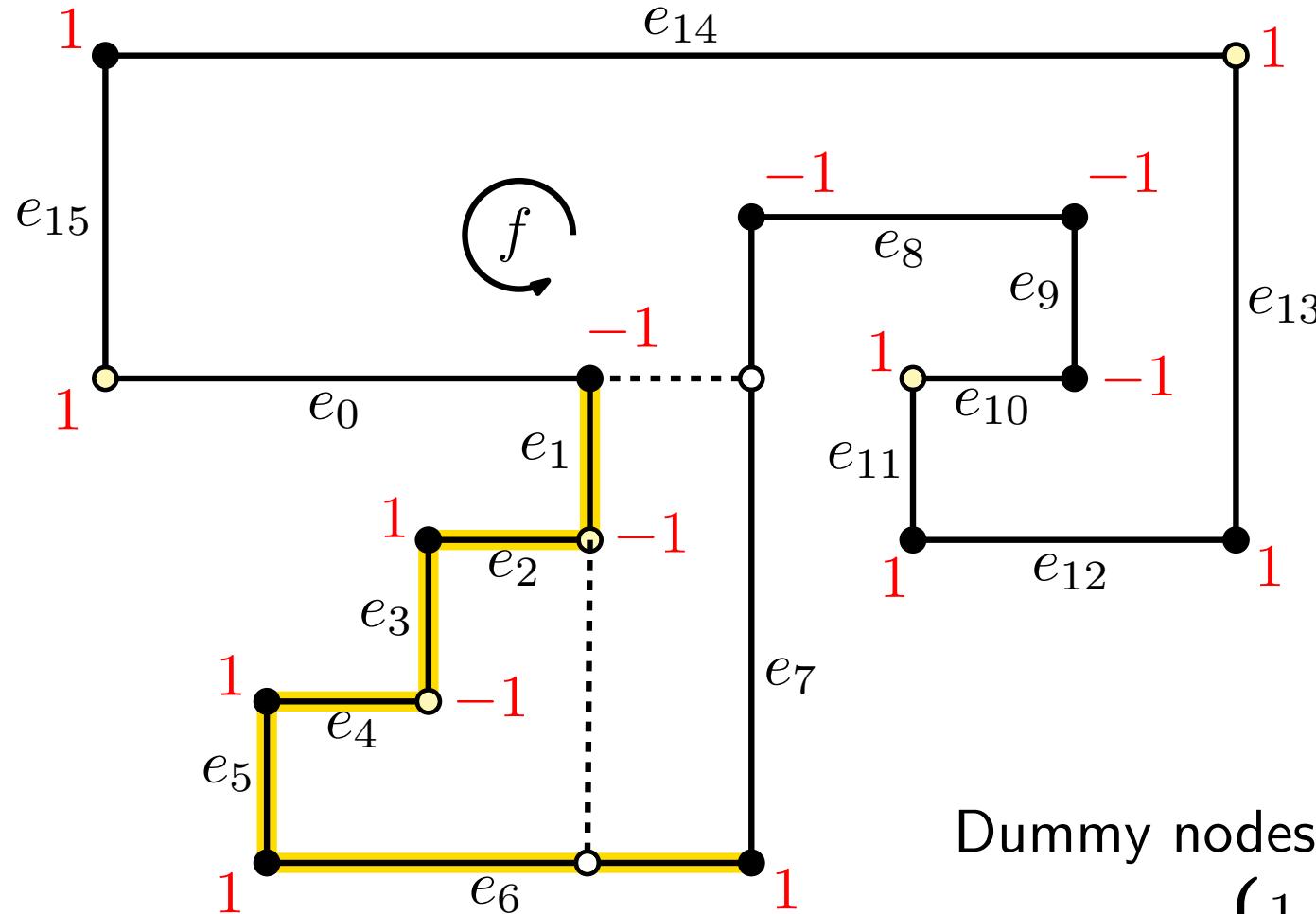
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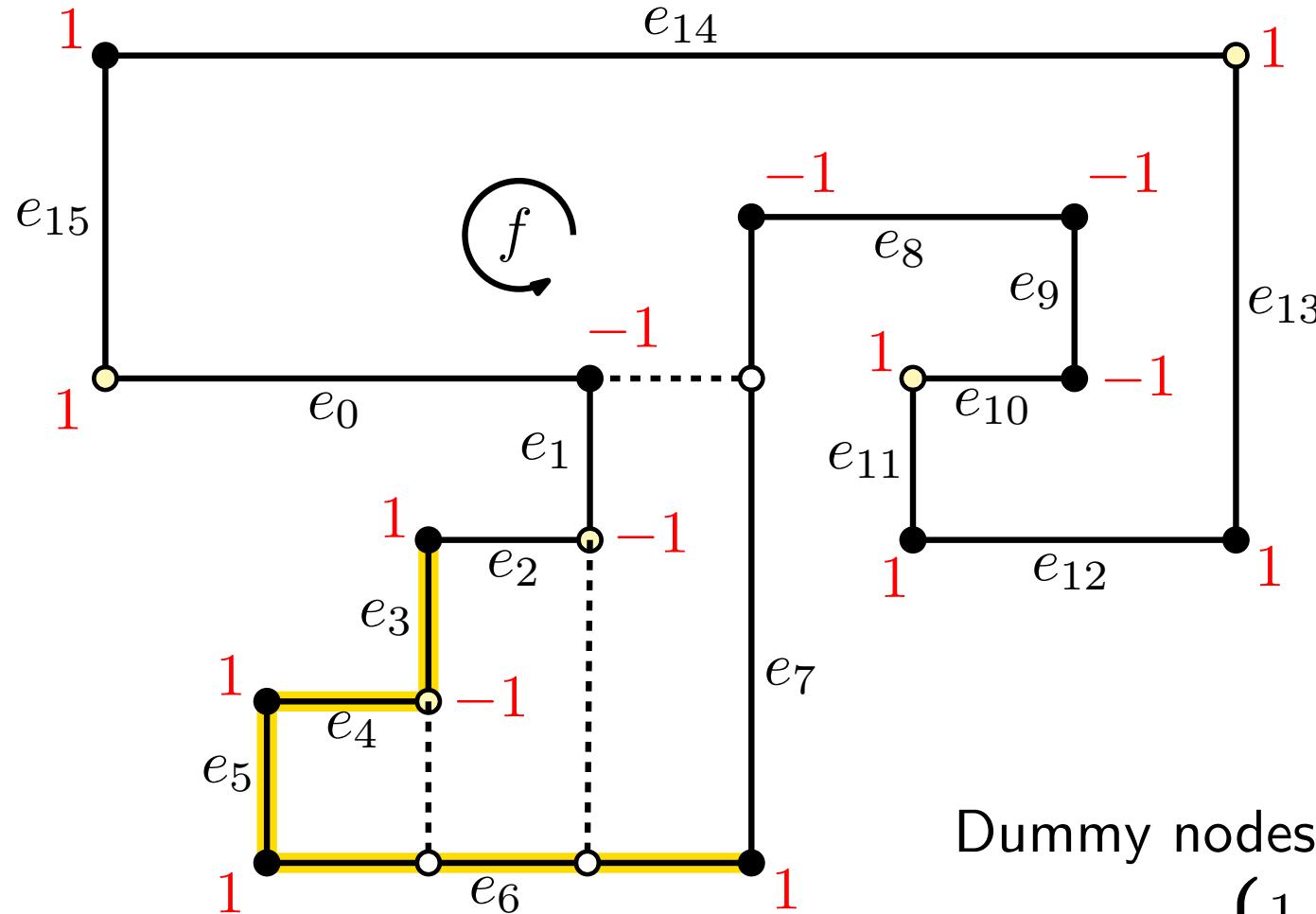
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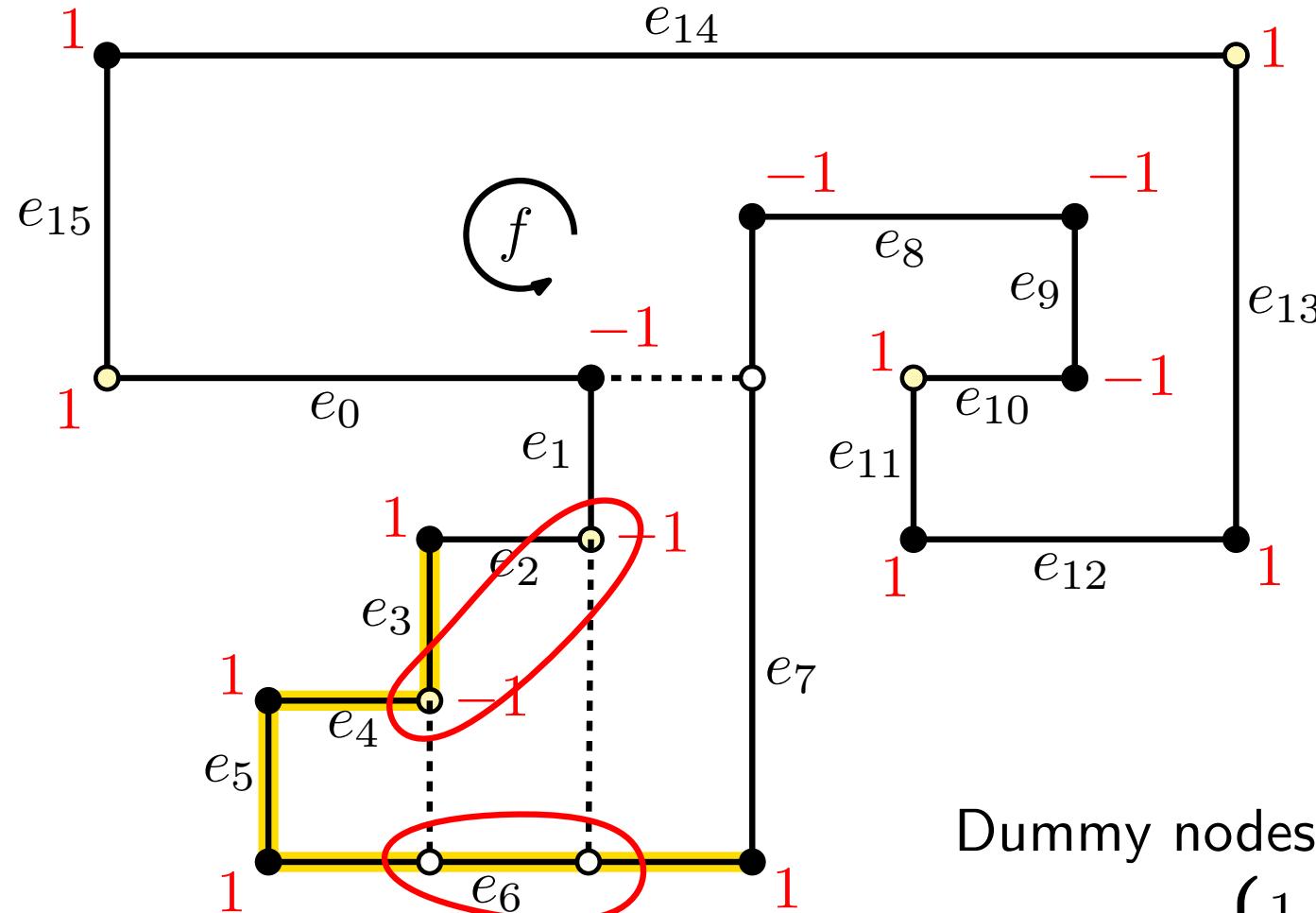
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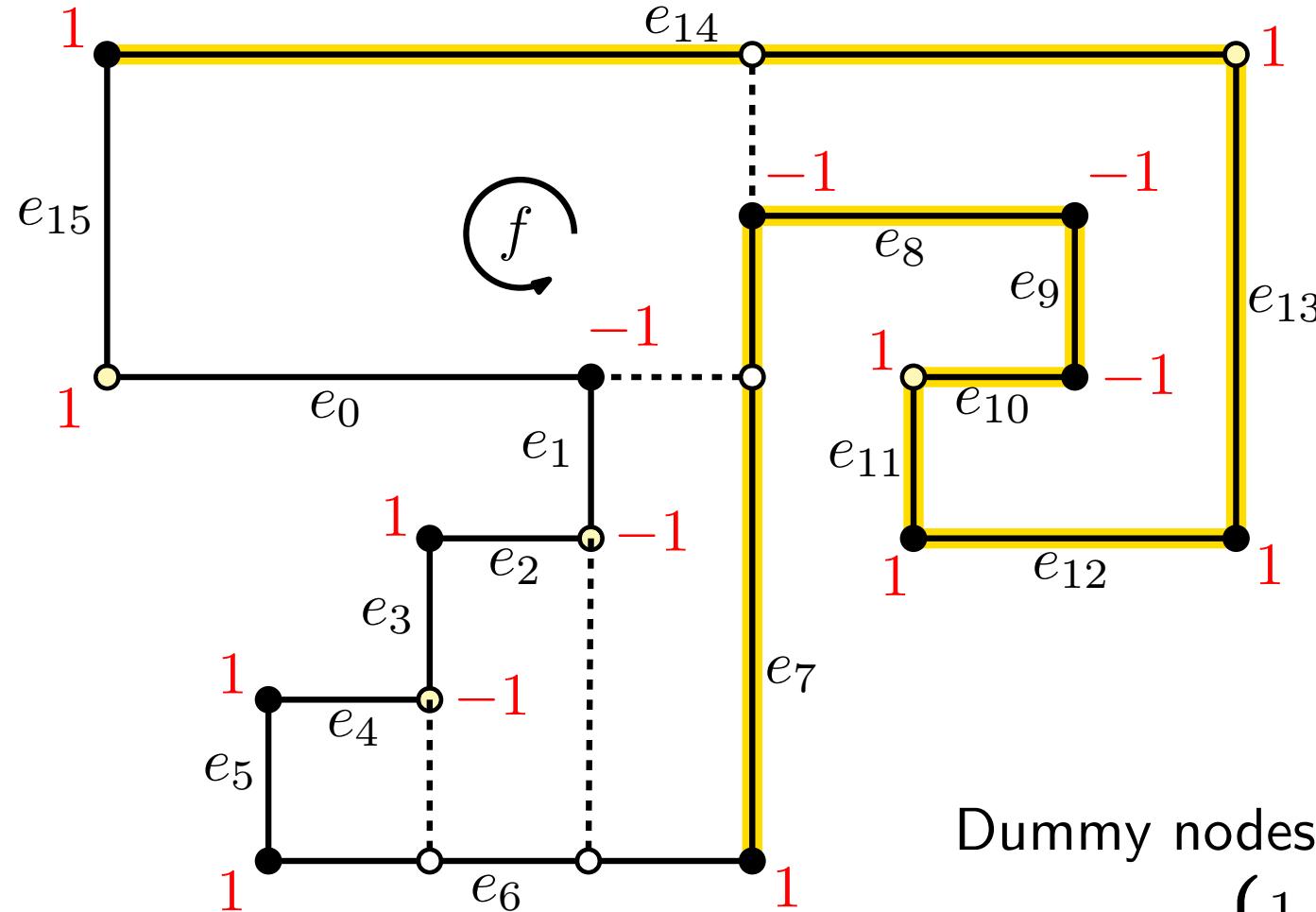
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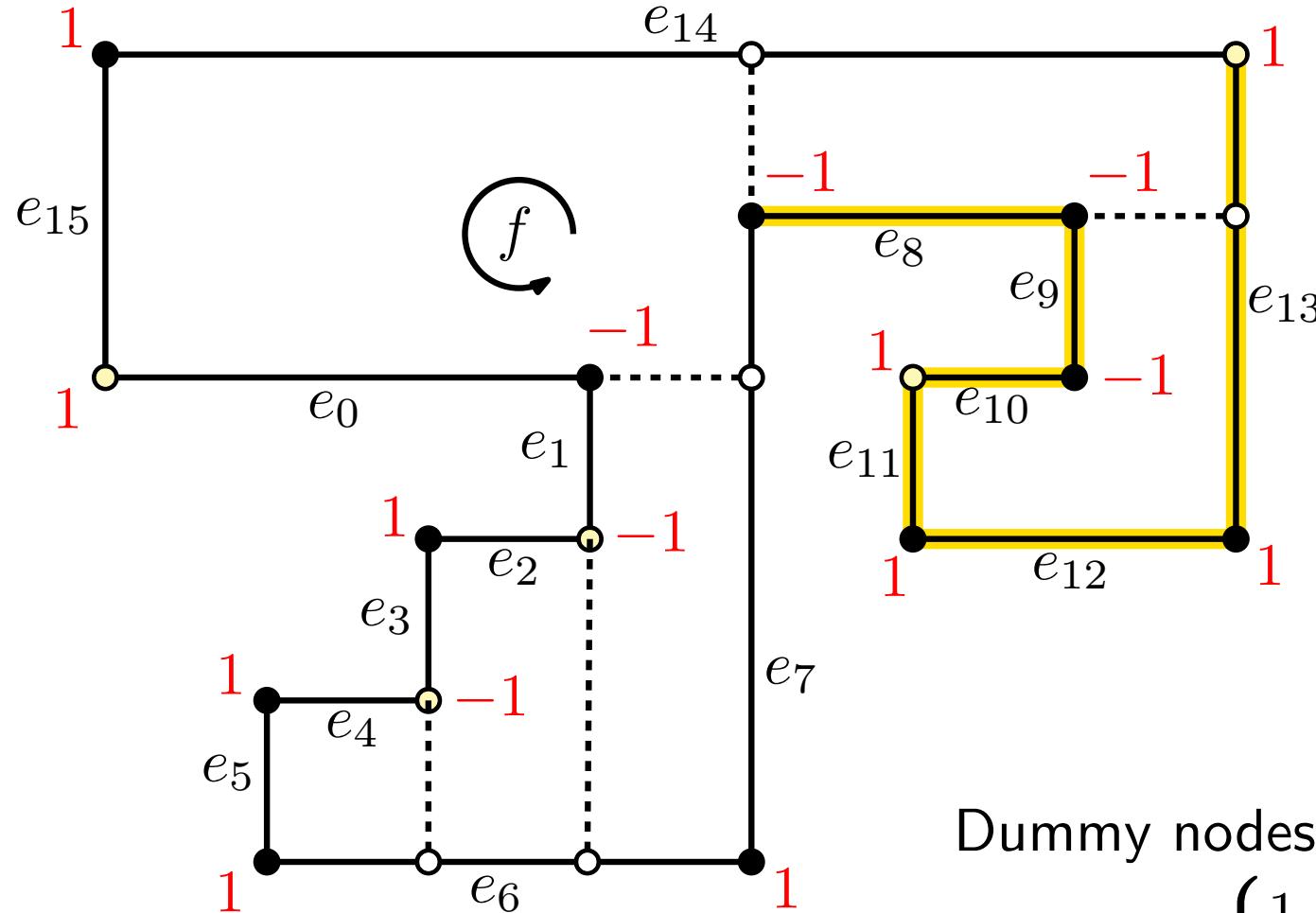
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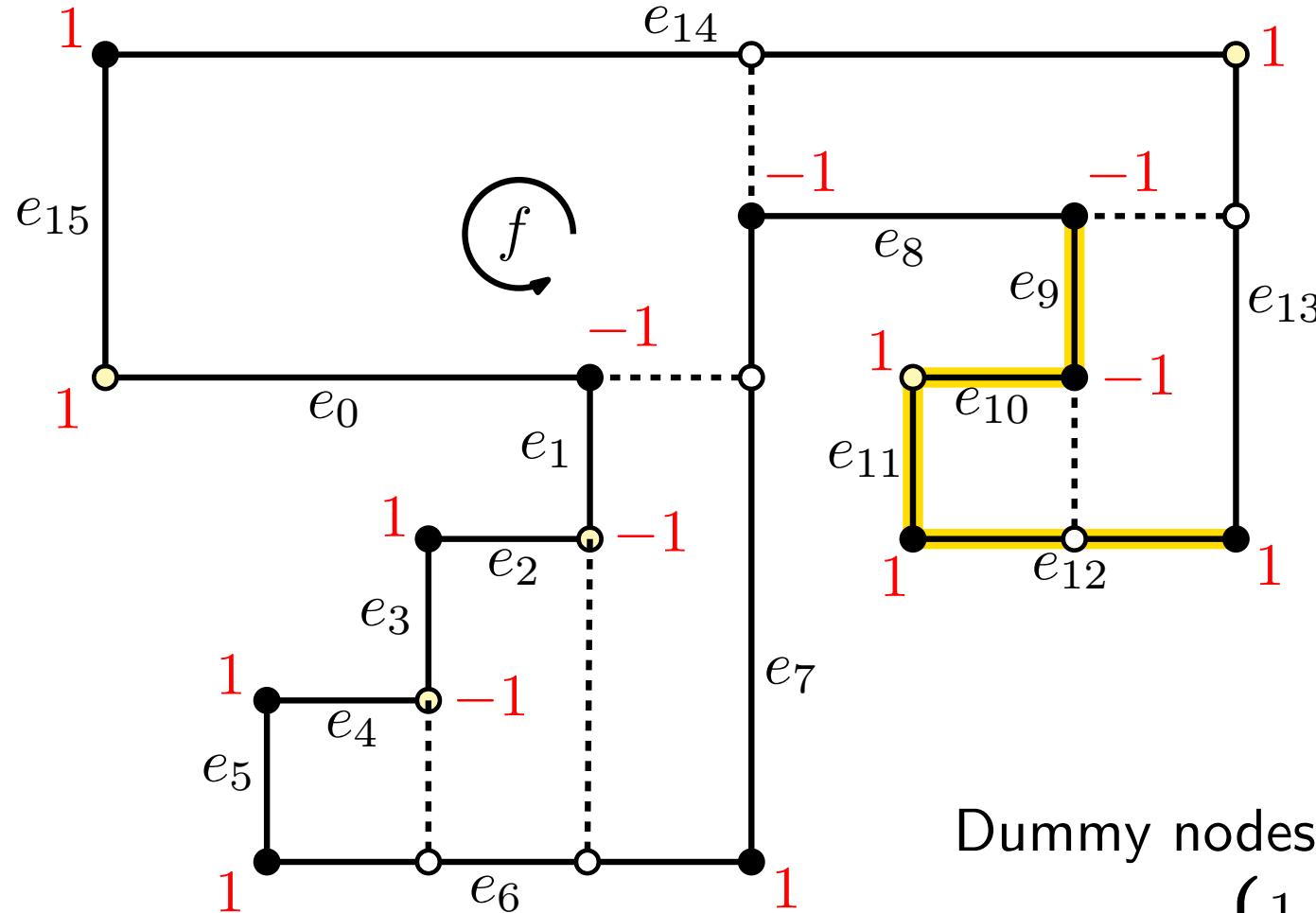
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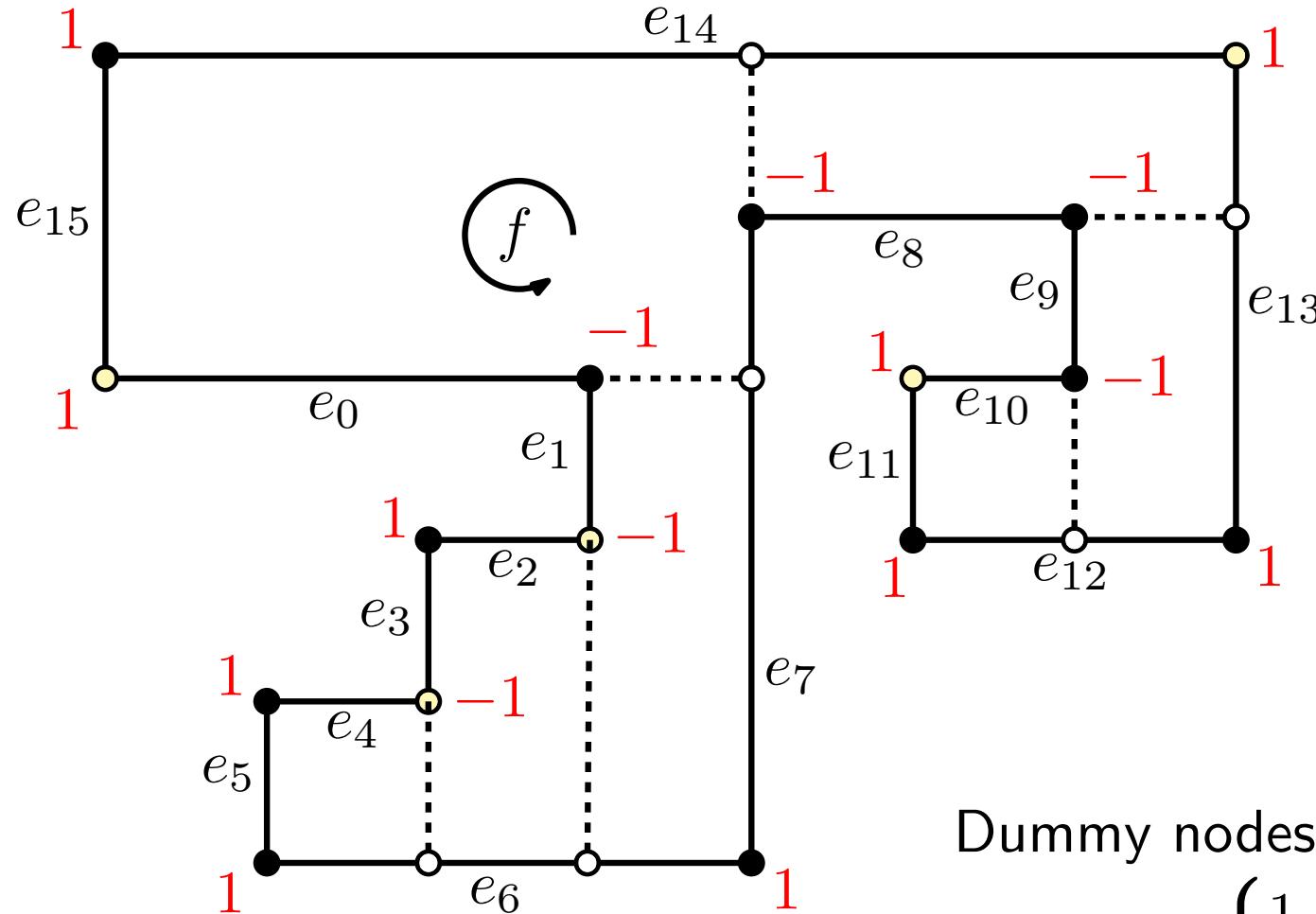
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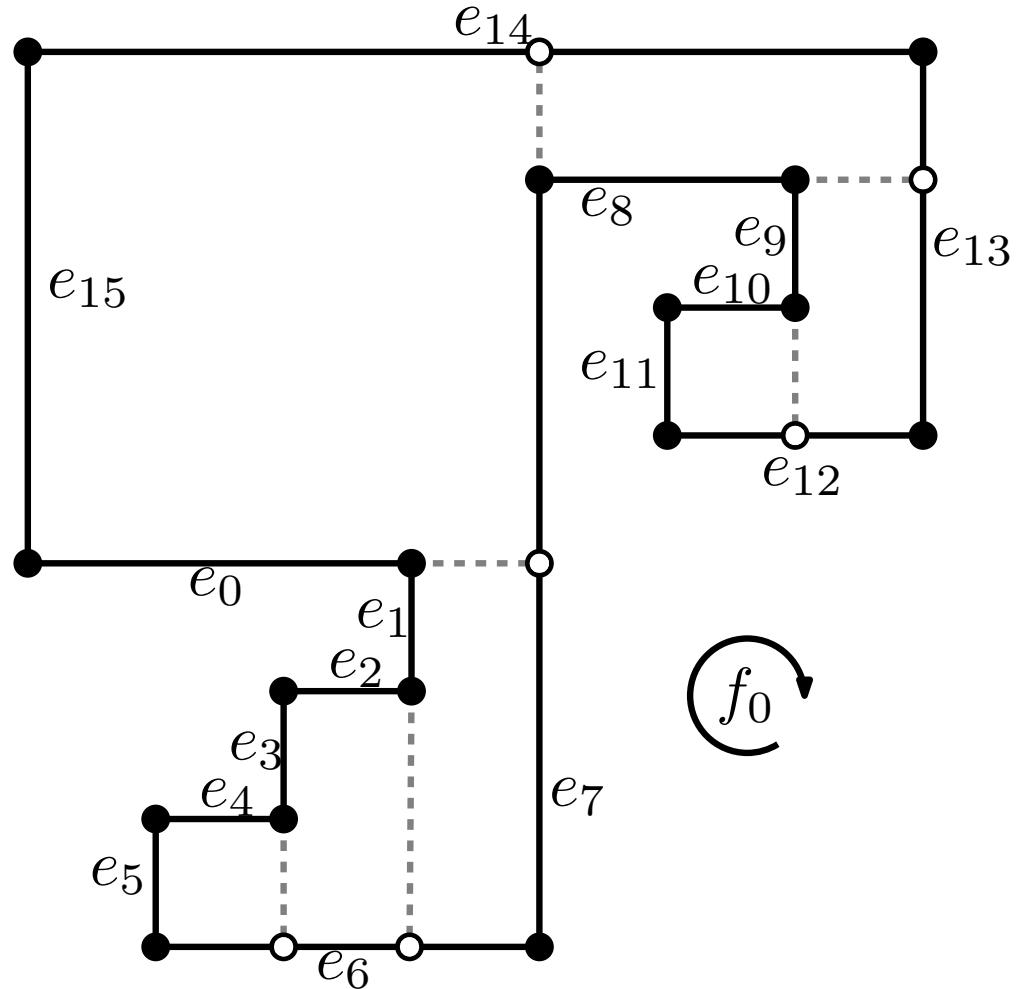
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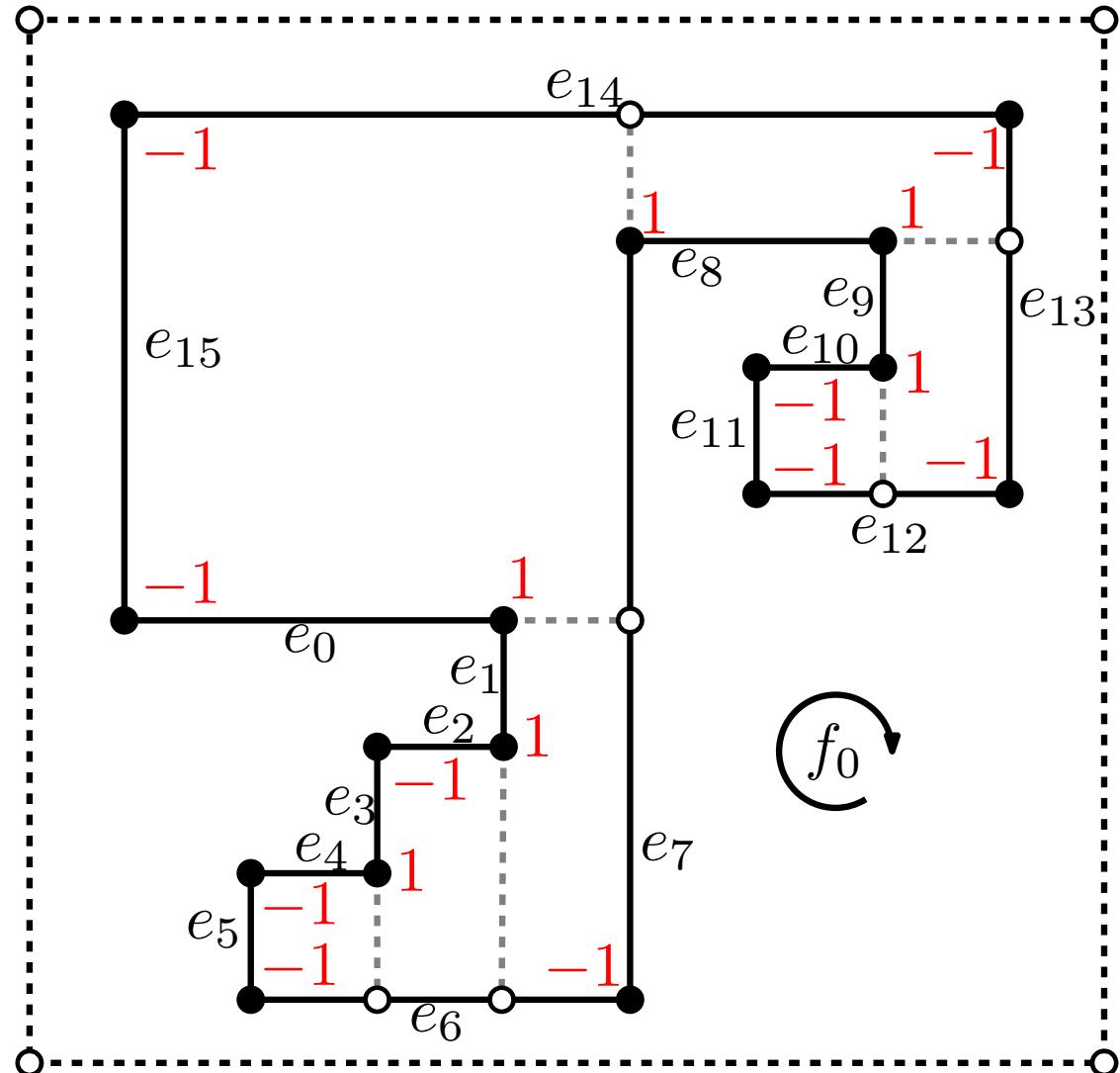
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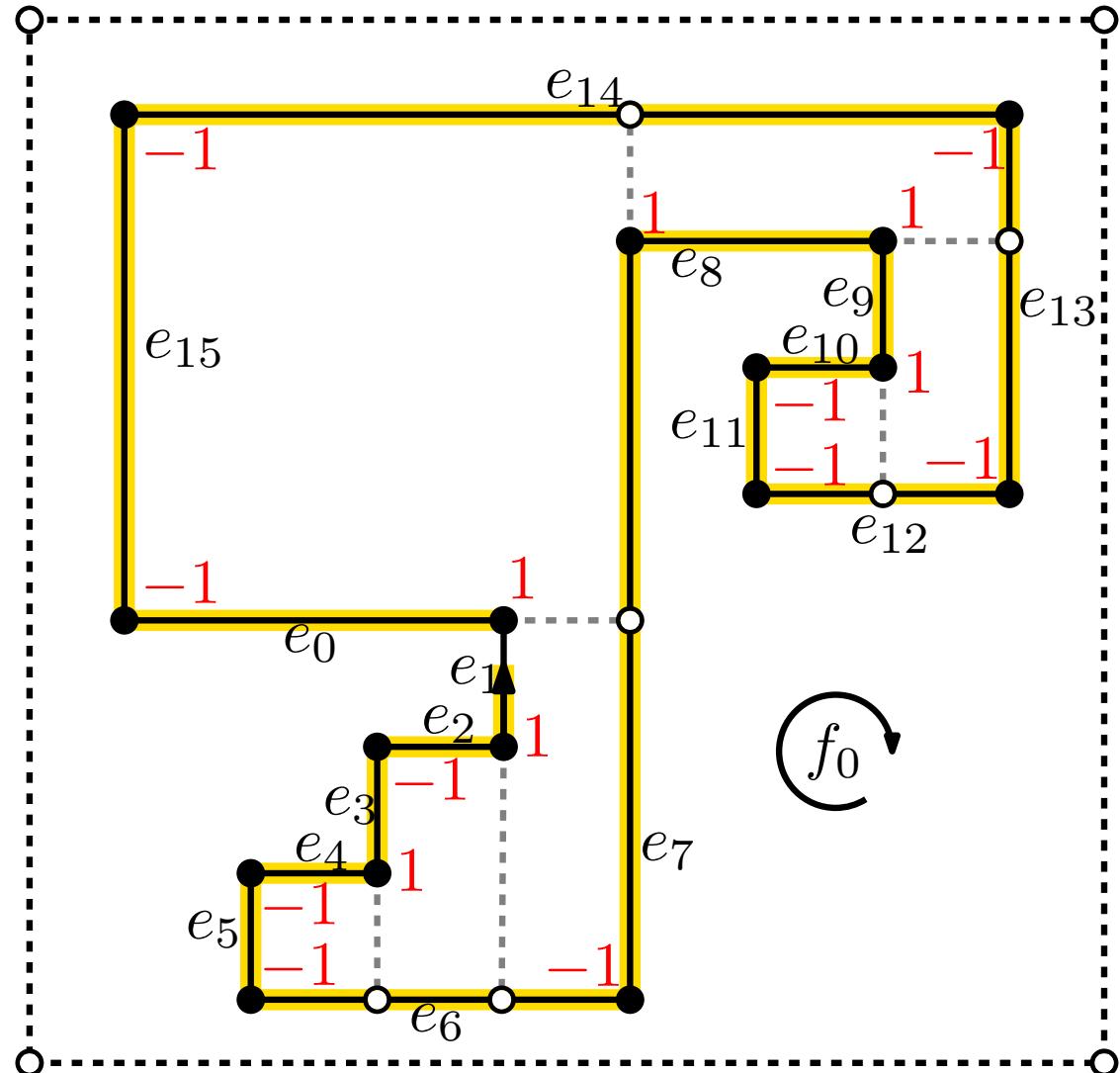
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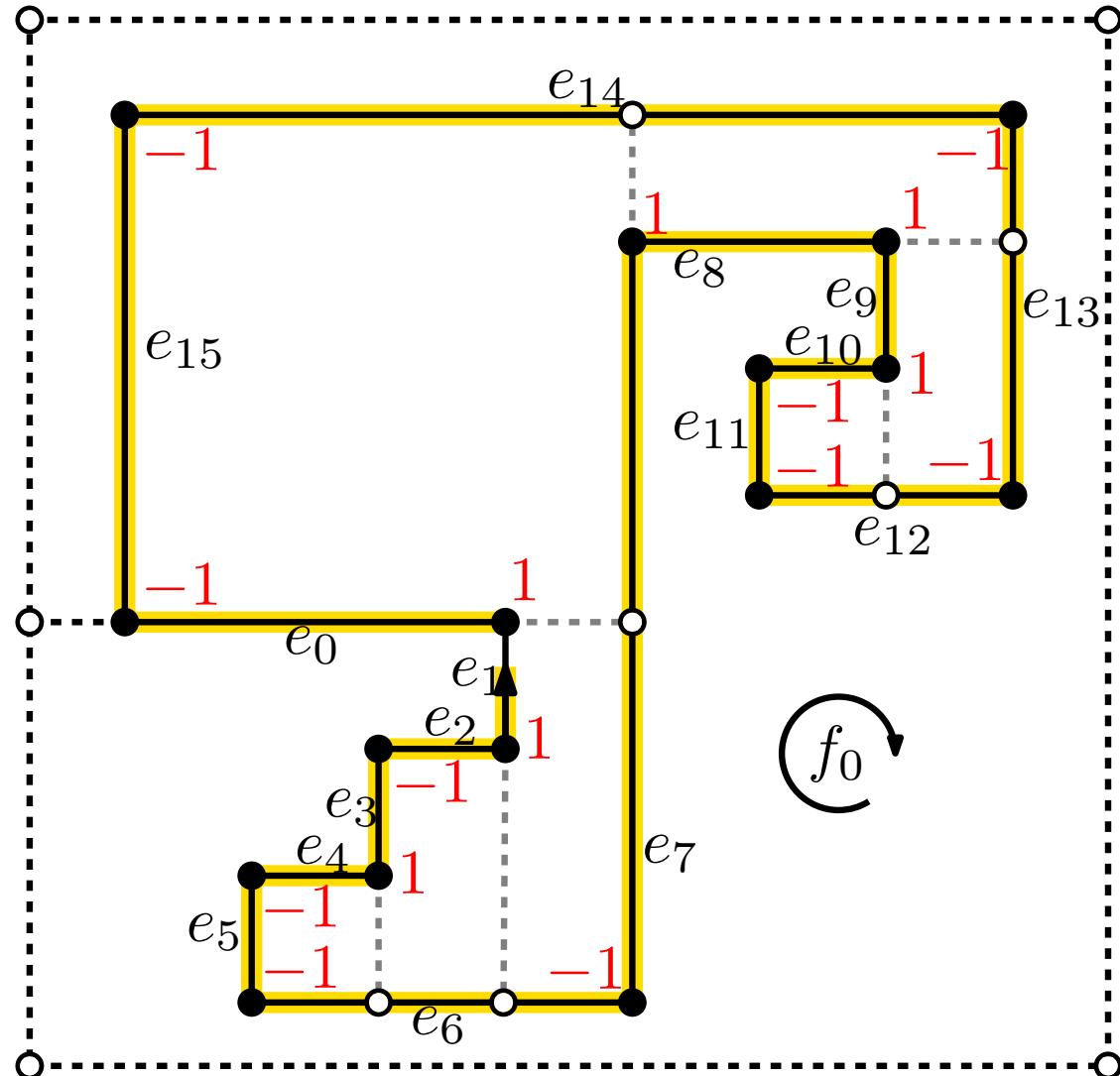
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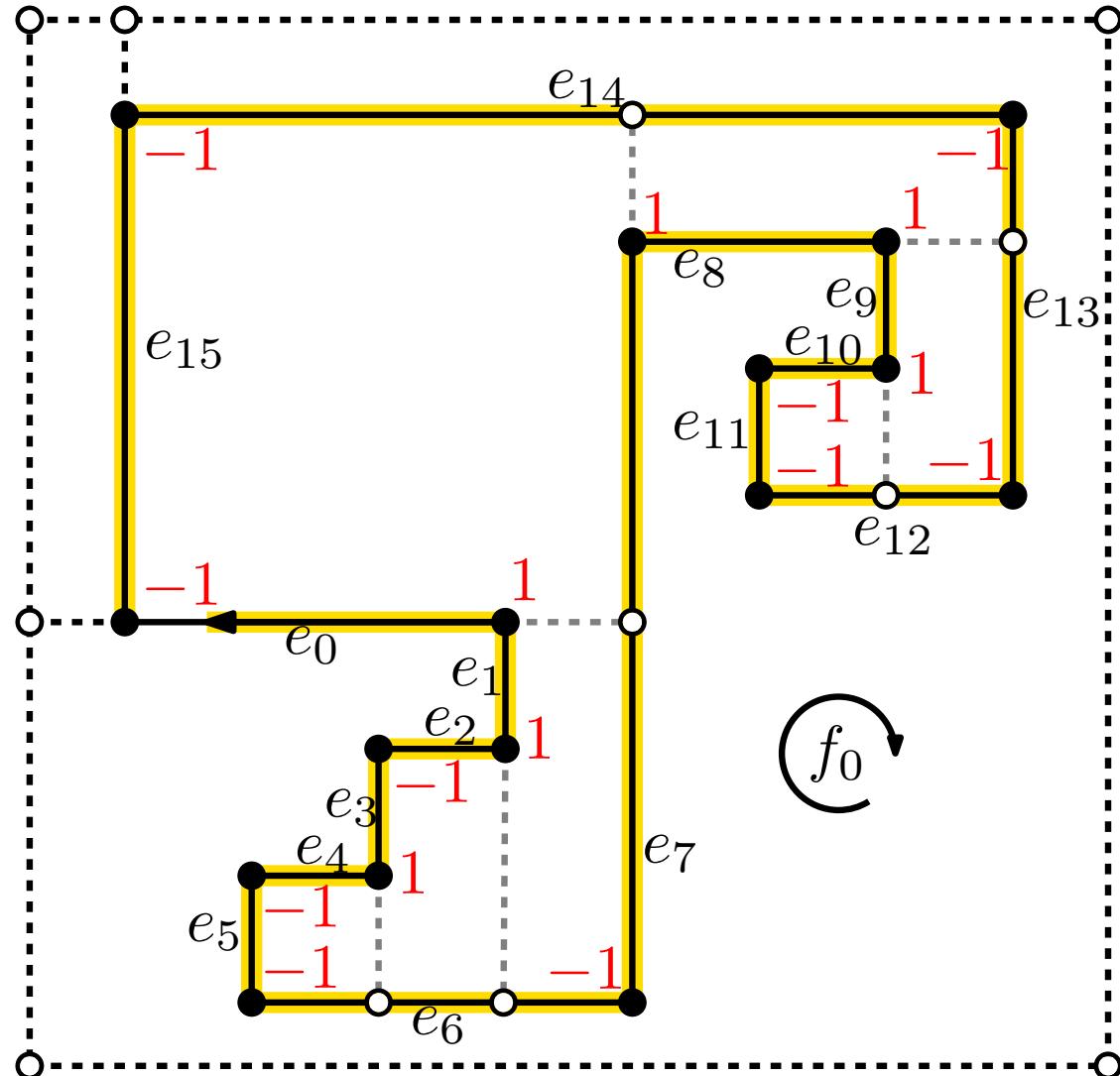
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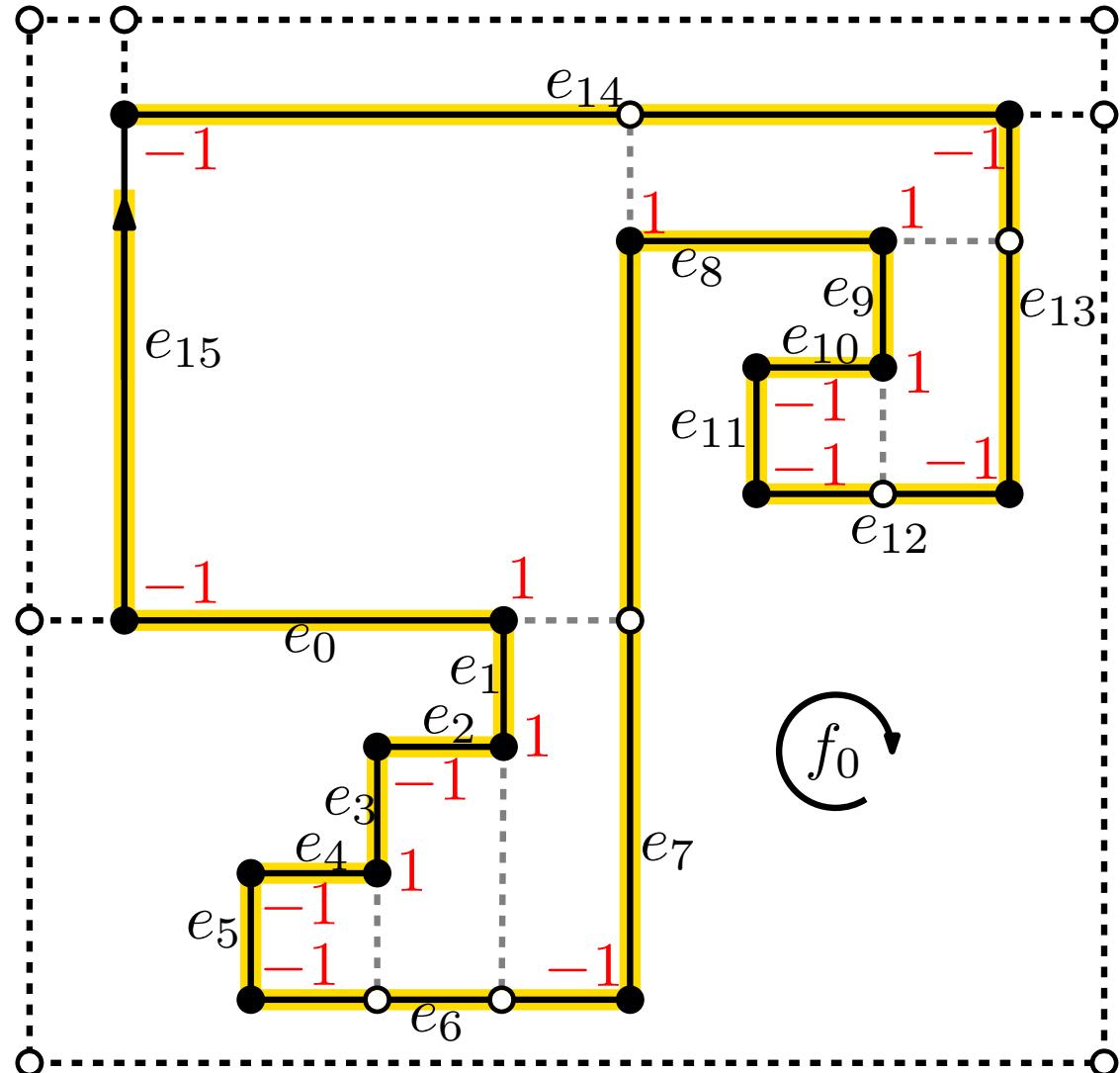
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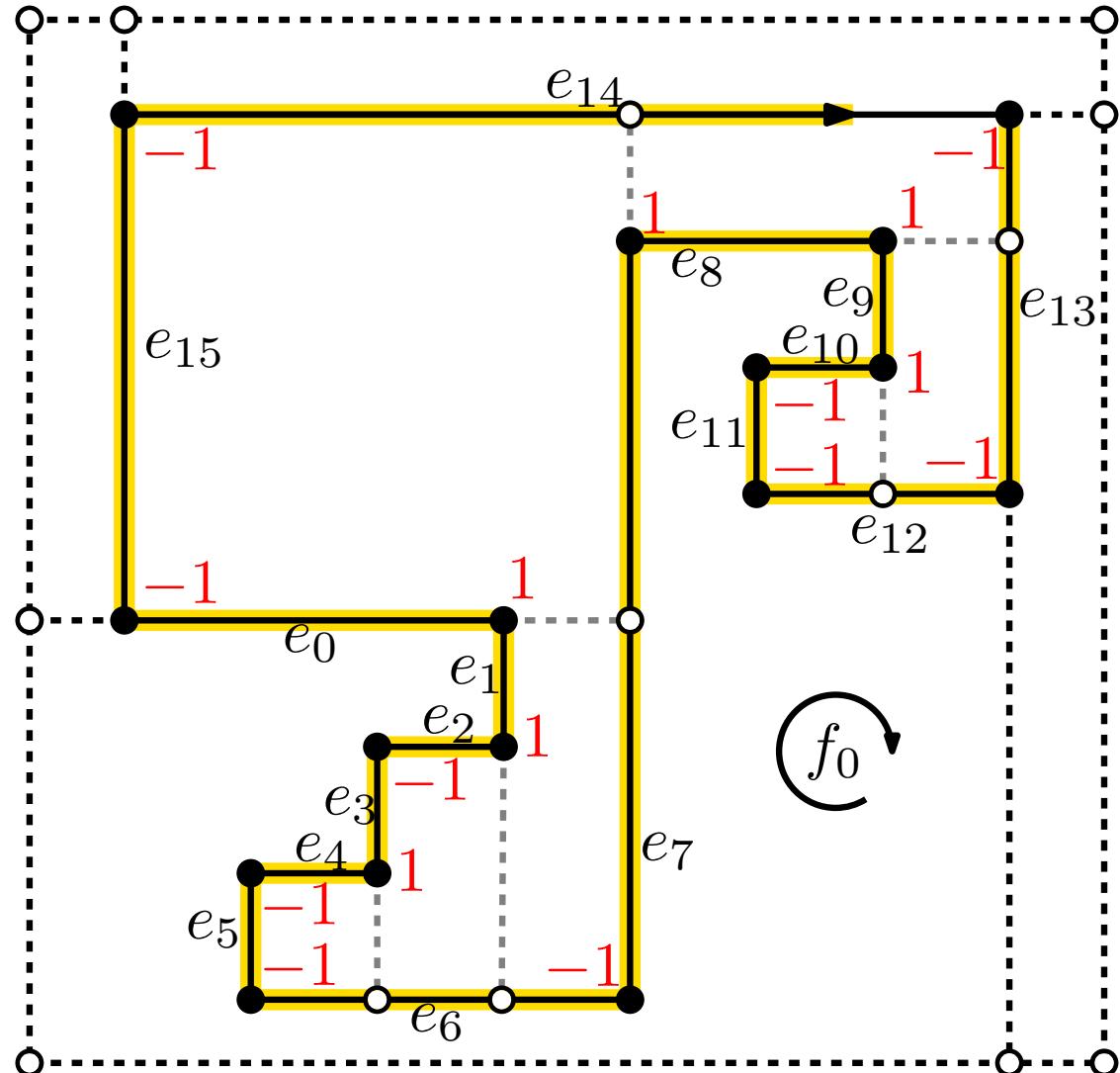
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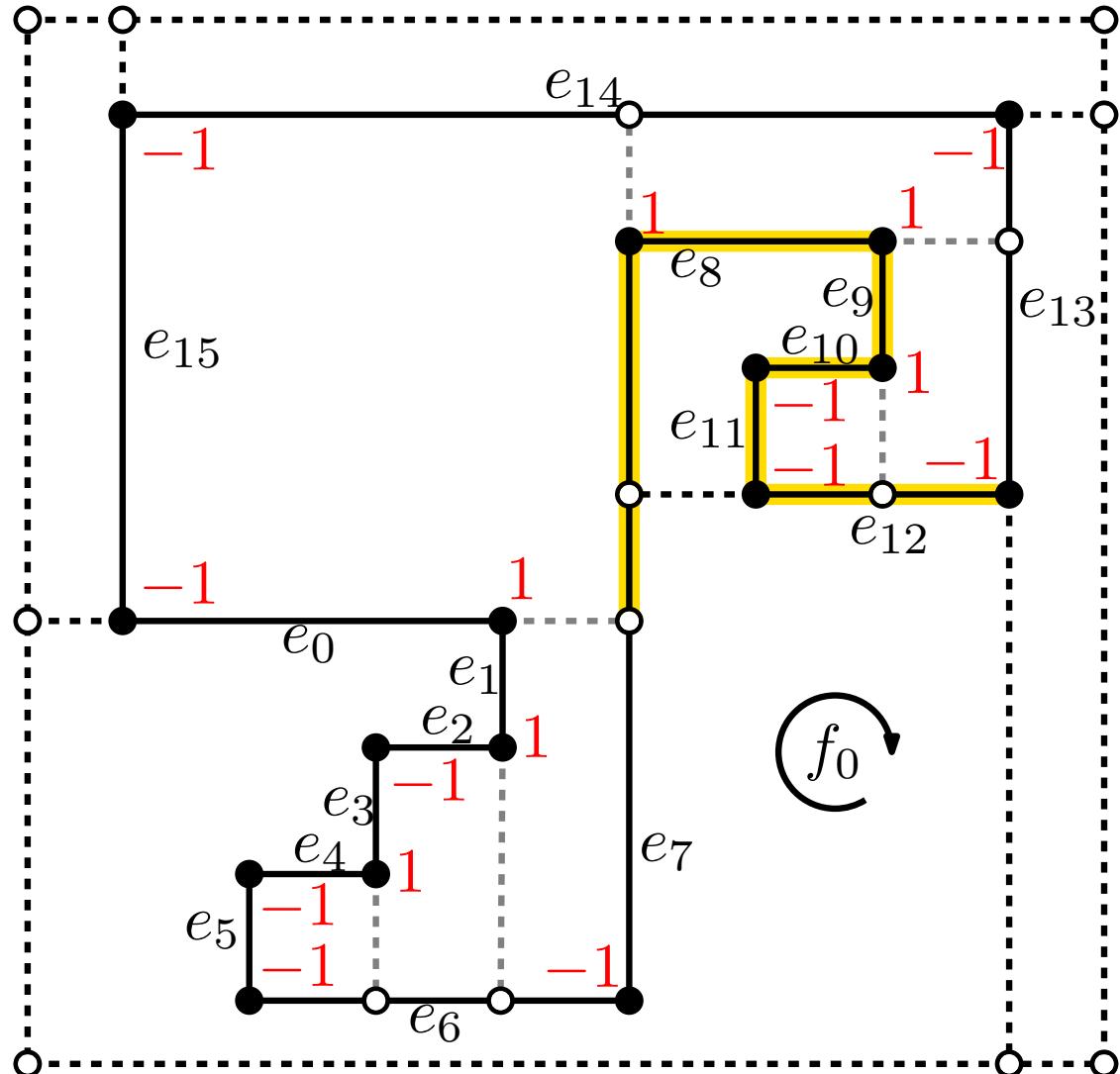
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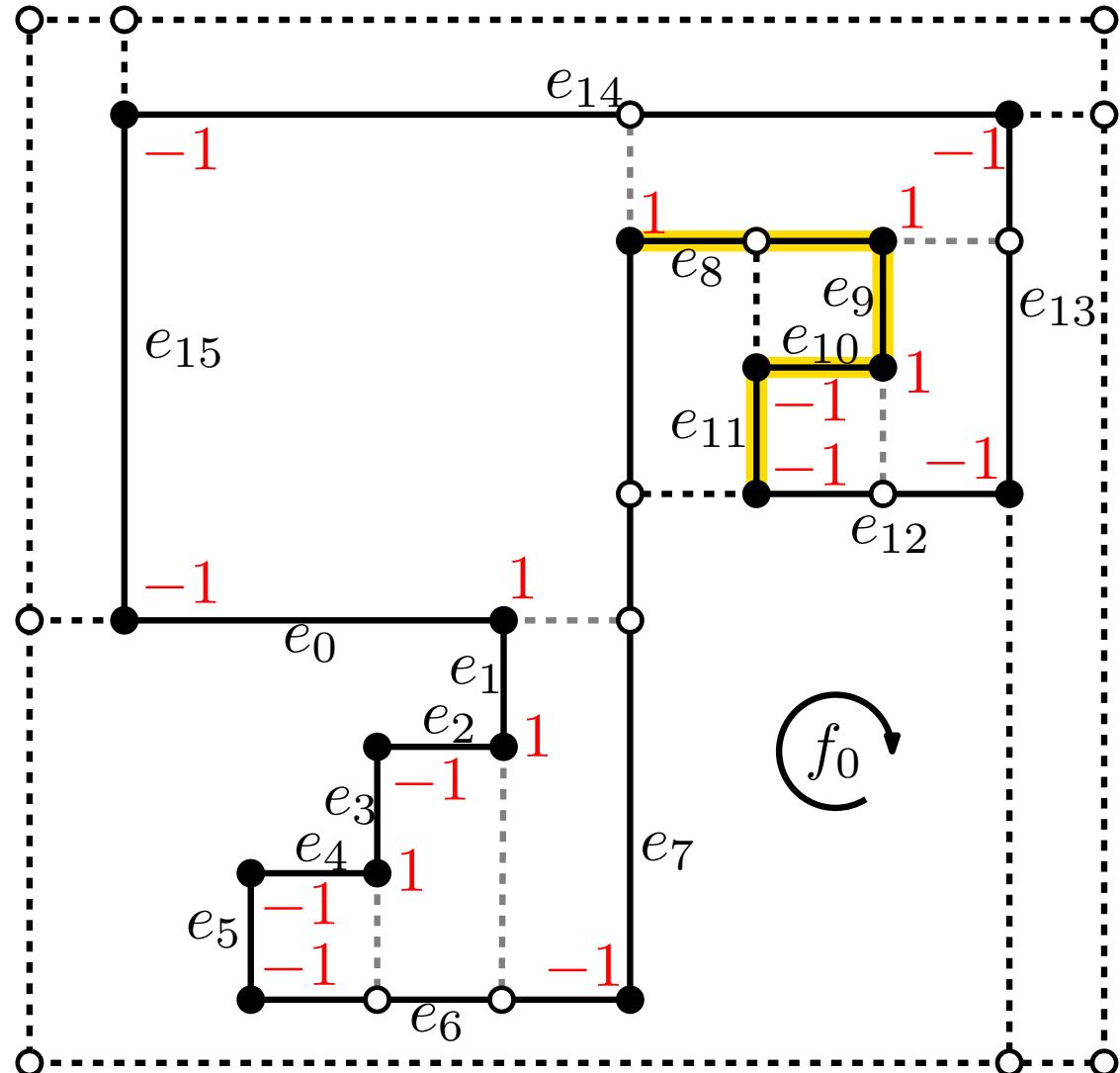
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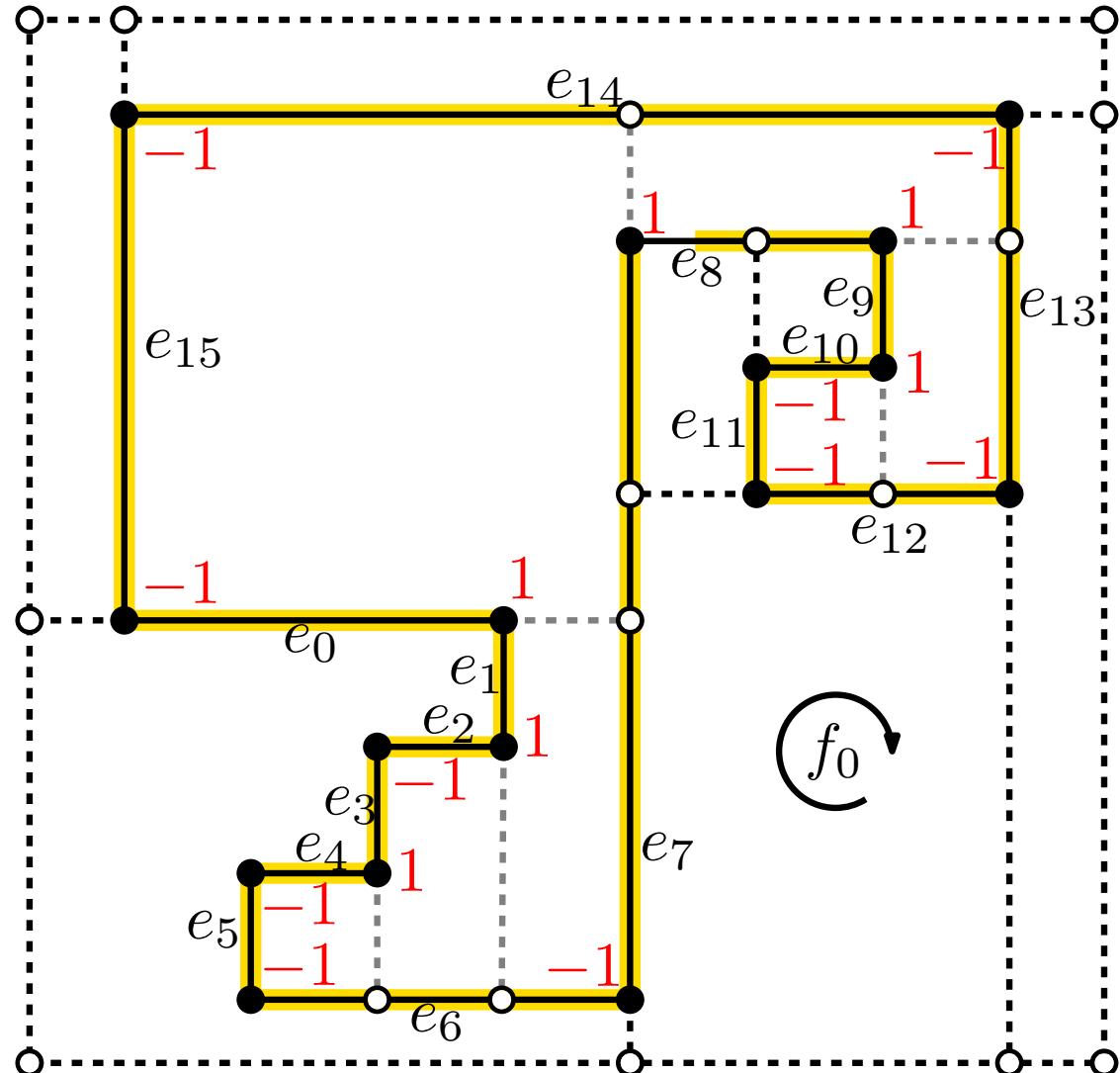
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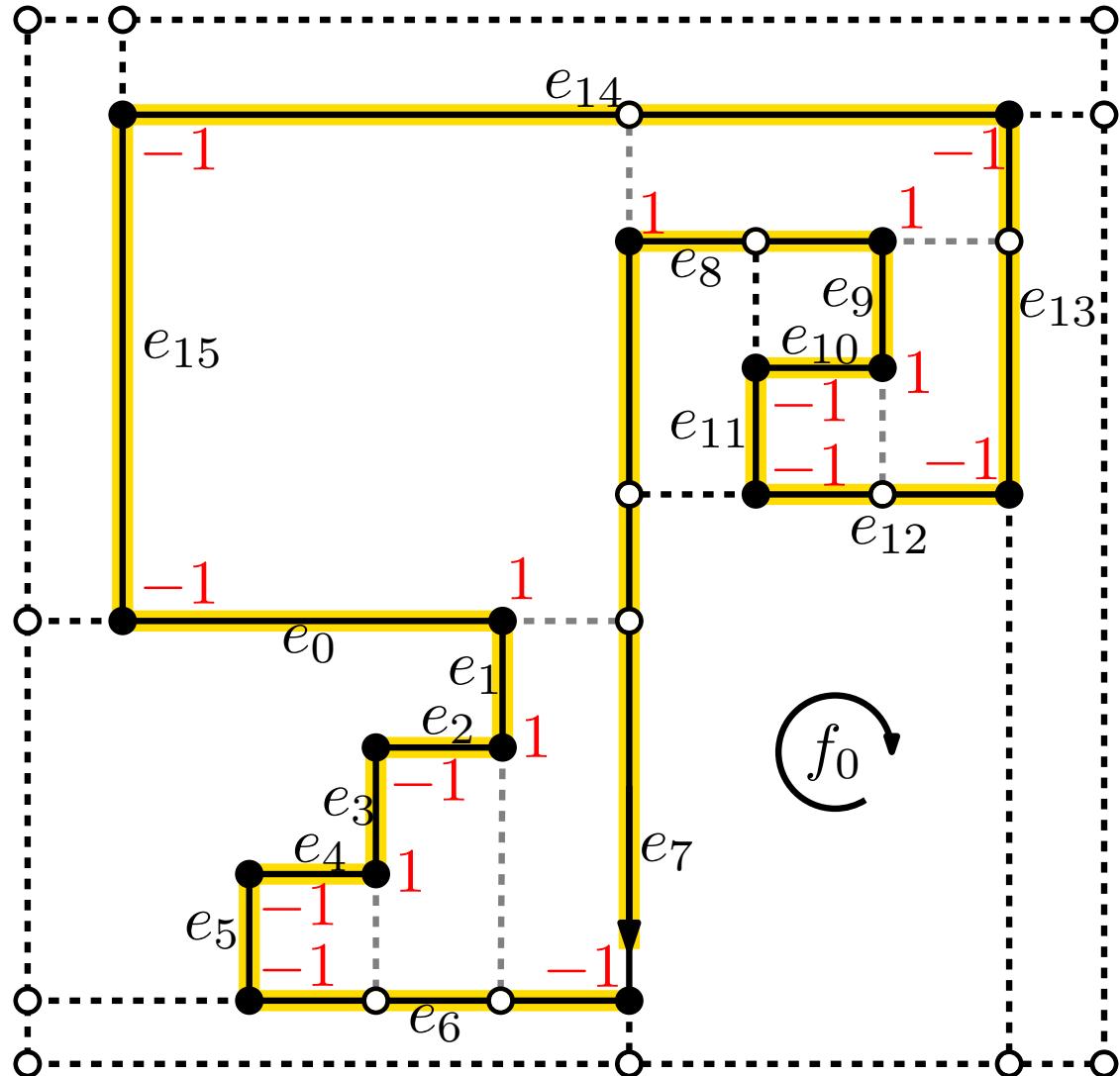
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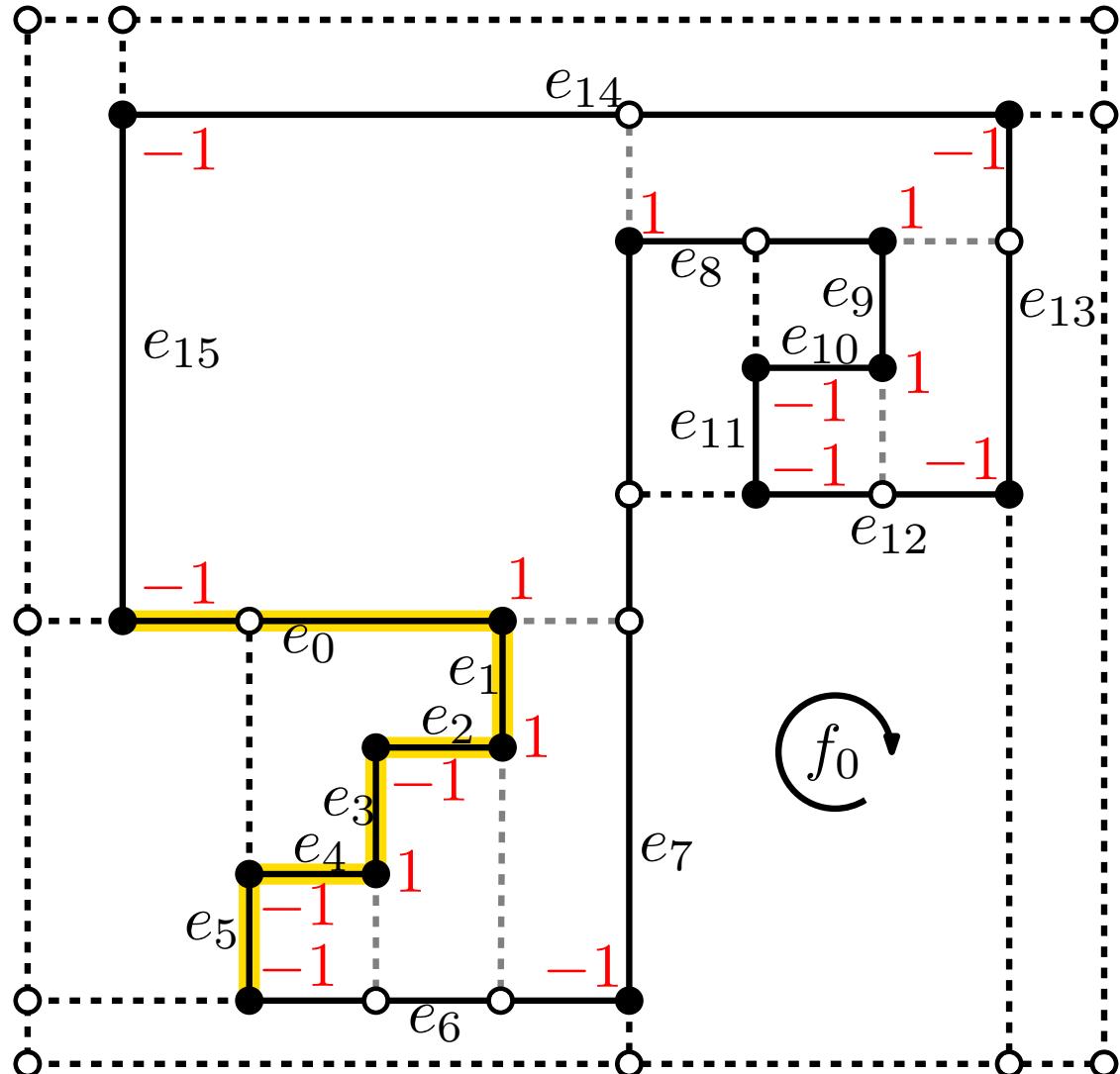
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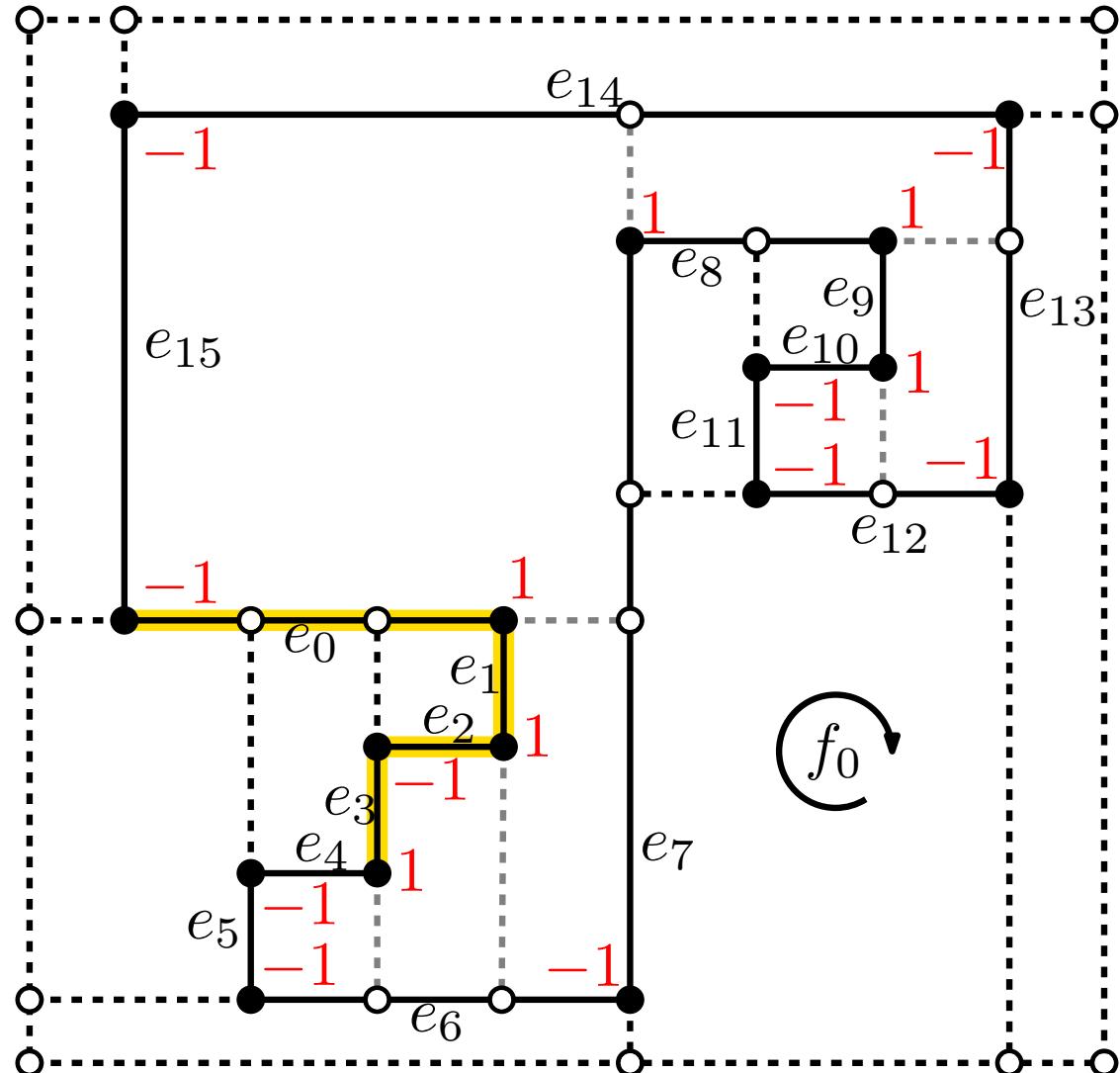
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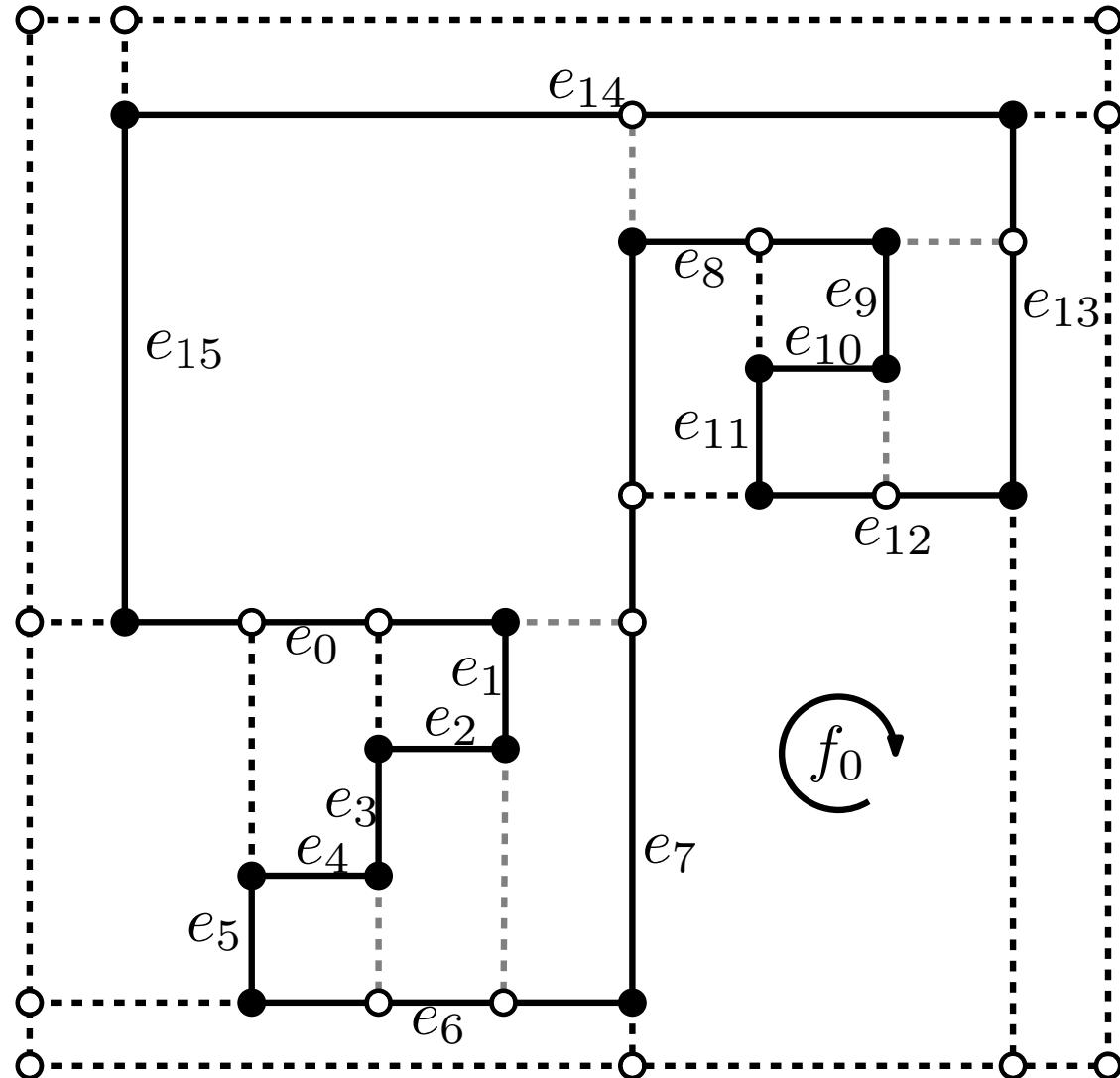
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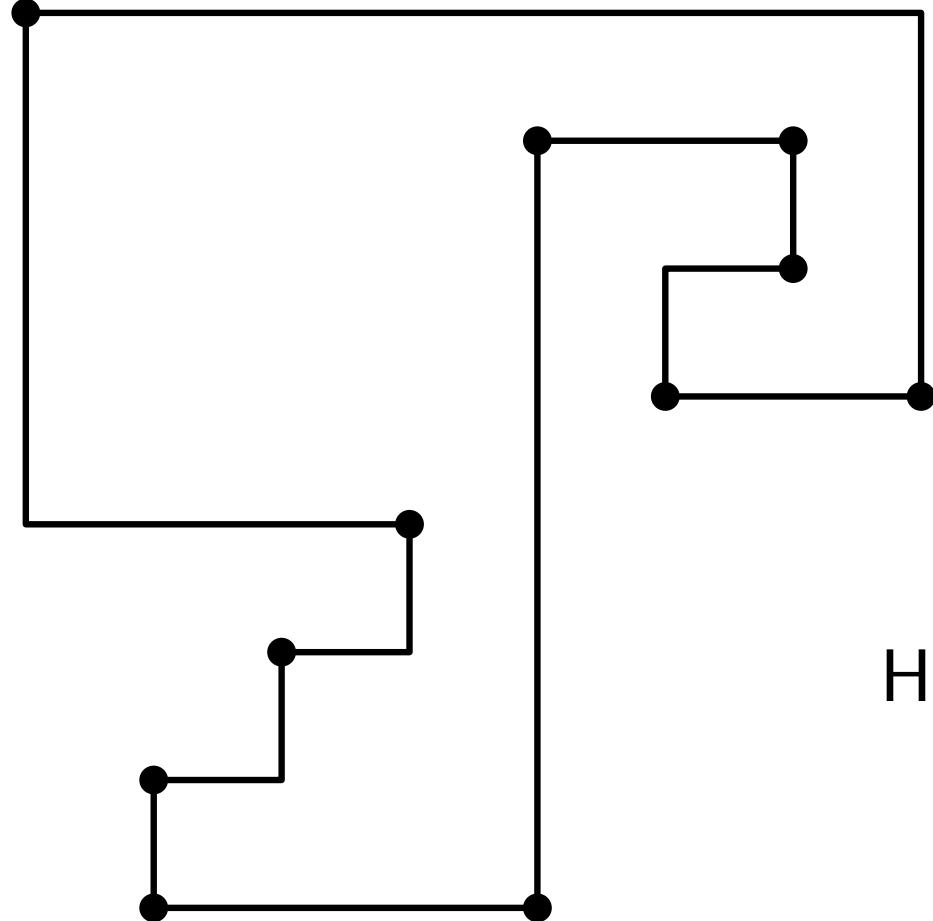
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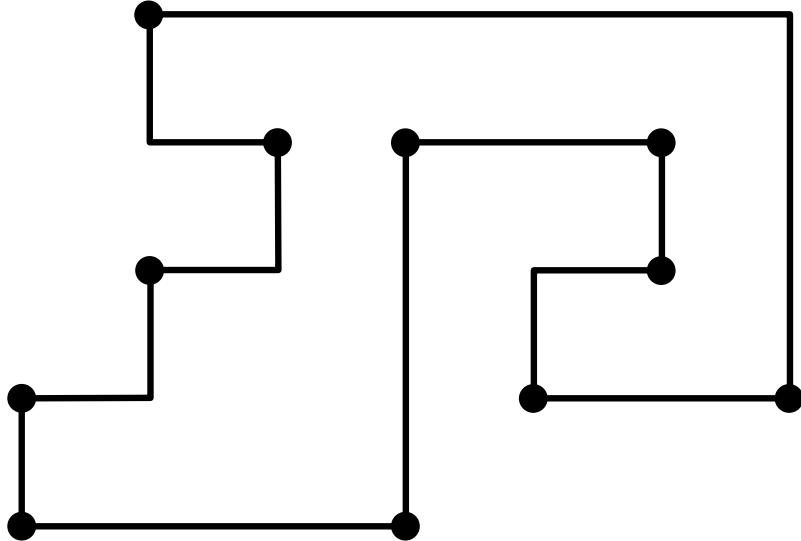
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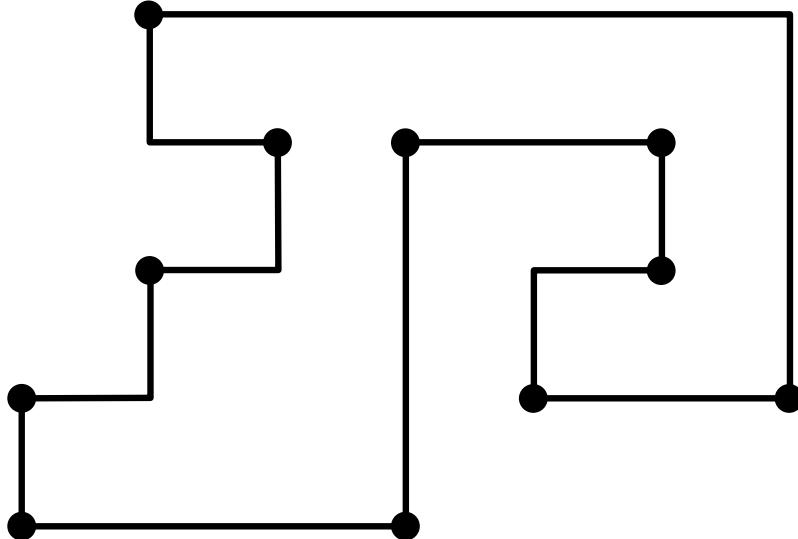
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