

On partitioning graphs into connected subgraphs

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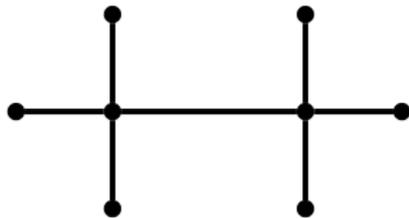
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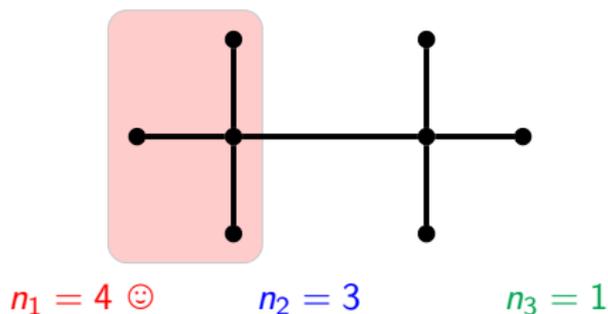
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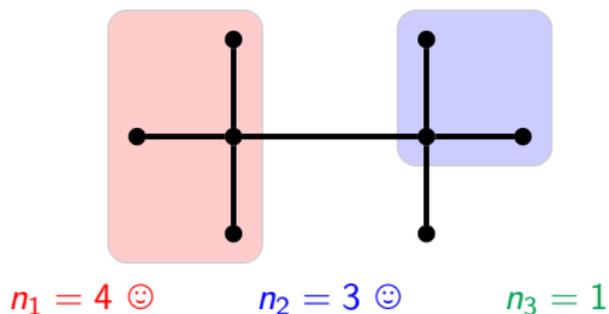
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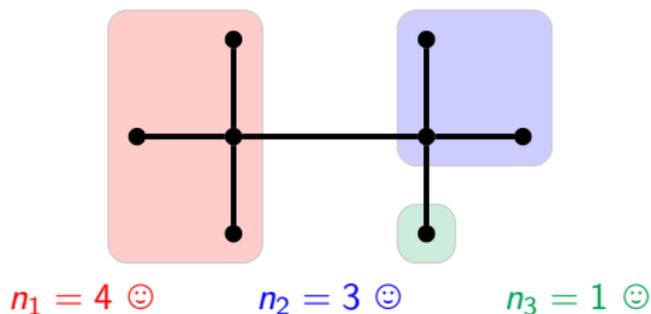
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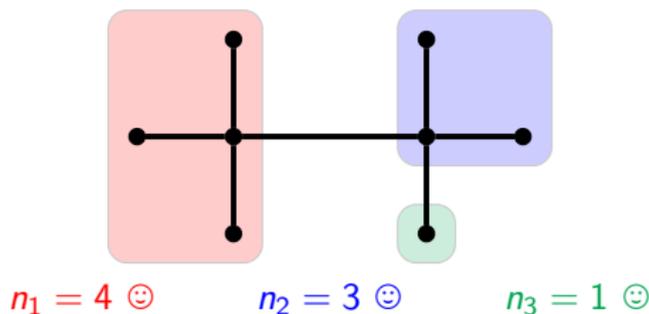
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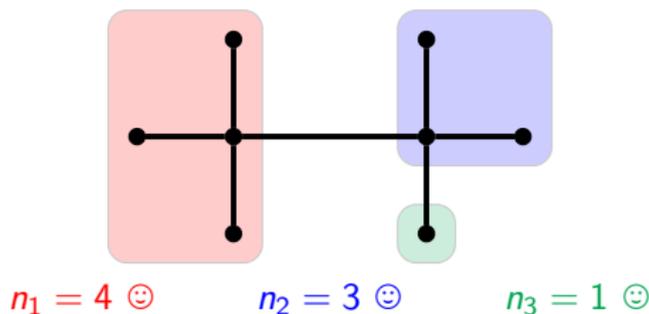
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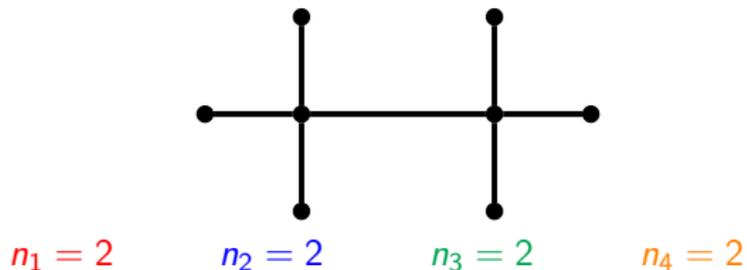
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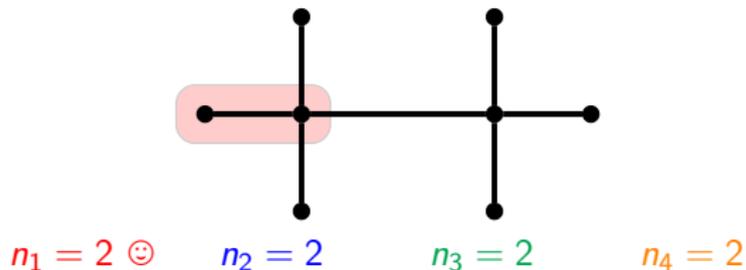
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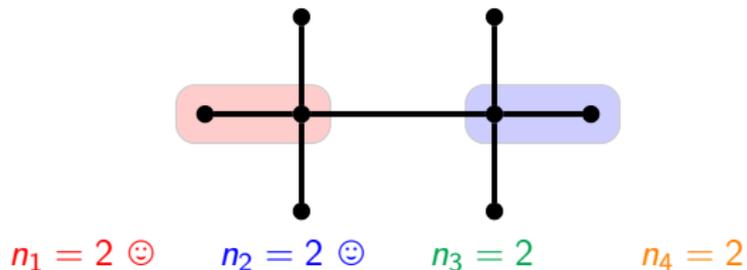
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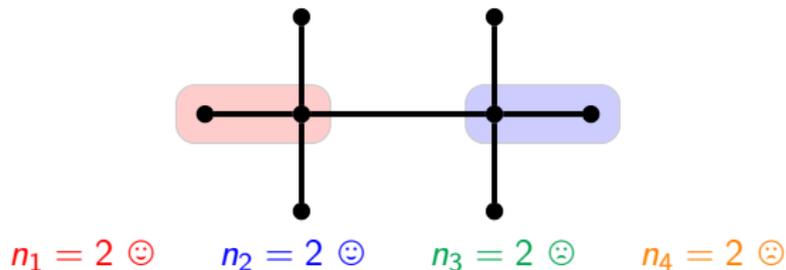
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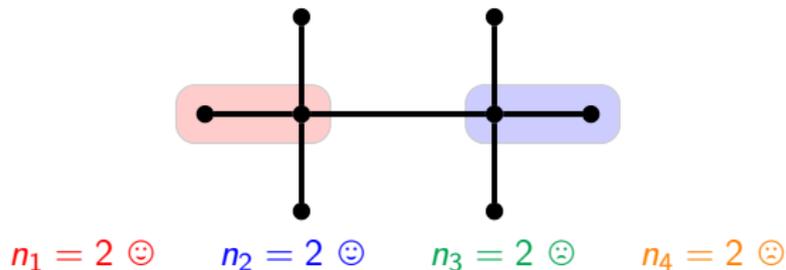
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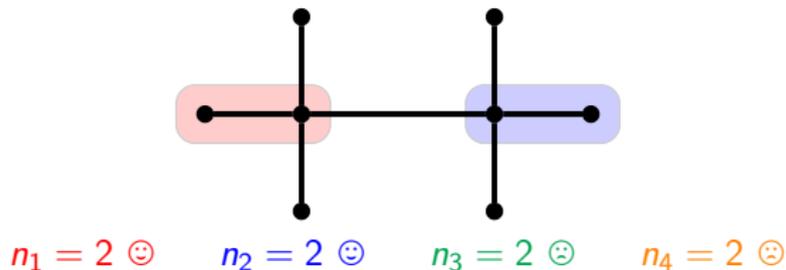


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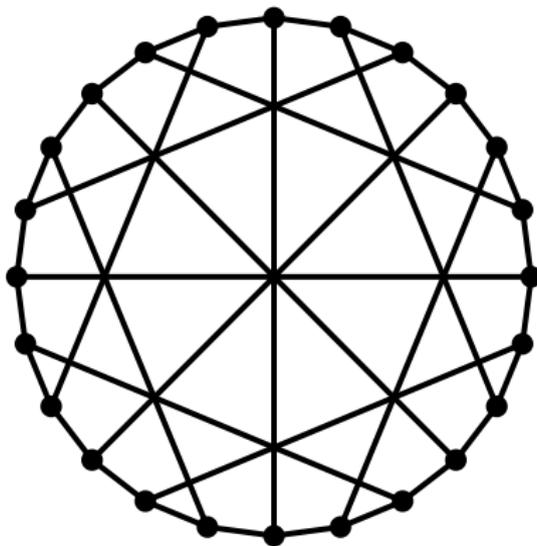
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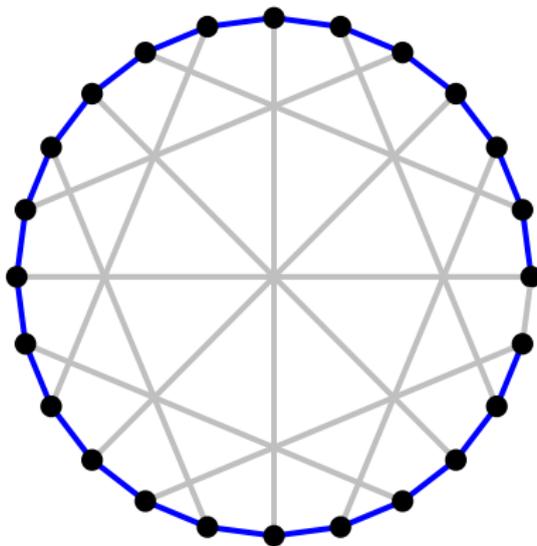
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(e.g. general trees, 3-connected near-triangulations, etc.)

Structural aspects

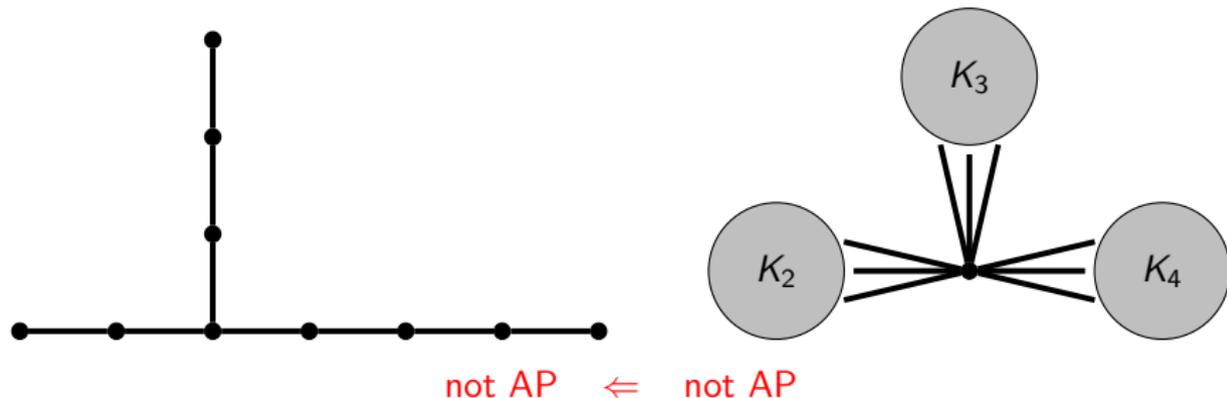
AP trees are rather understood:

Theorem [Barth, Fournier, Ravaux, 2009]

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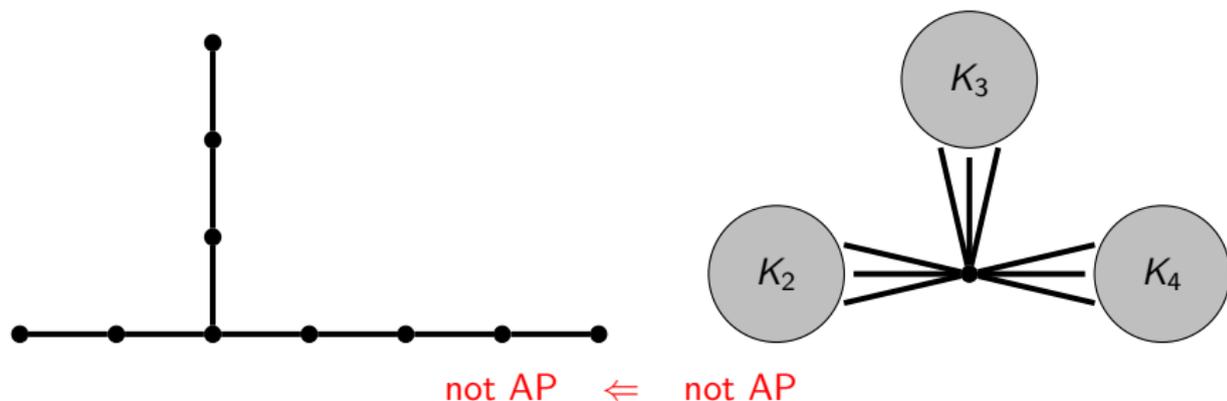
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Corollary [Barth, Fournier, Ravaux, 2009]

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Via the same technique:

Theorem [Baudon, Foucaud, Przybyło, Woźniak, 2014]

For any $k \geq 2$, removing a k -cutset from an AP graph:

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 - Sets of forbidden patterns?
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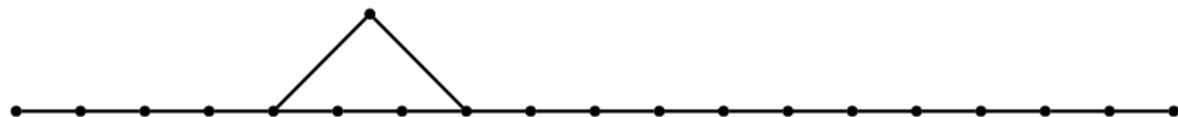
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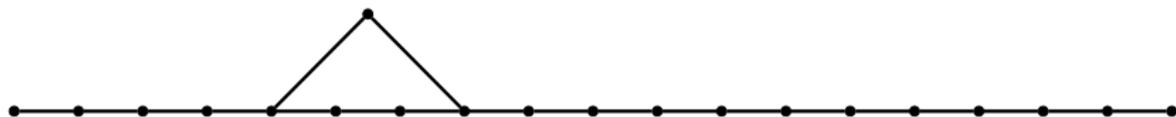


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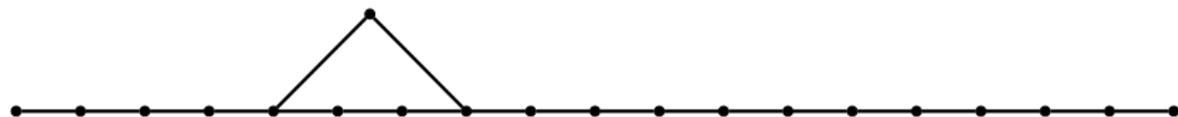
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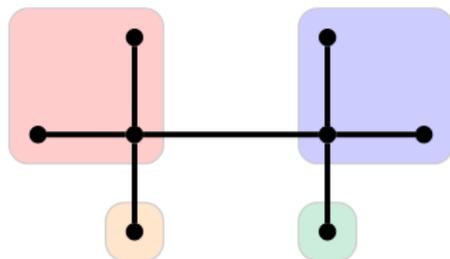
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- Clique number?
- Families with connectivity $k \geq 2$?
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Some variants

Praefectations



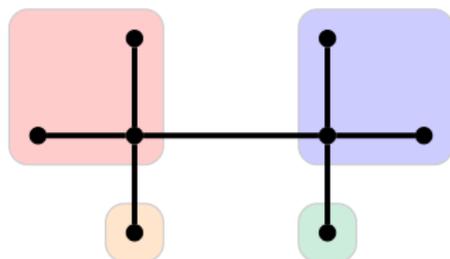
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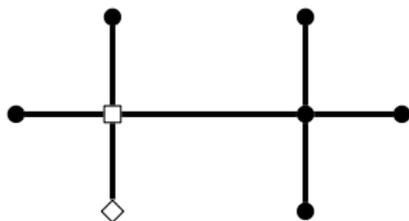
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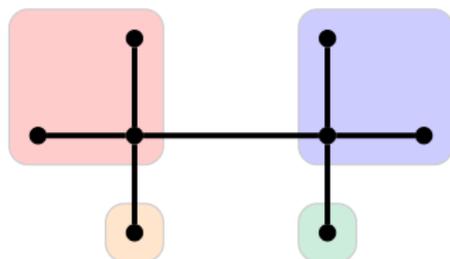
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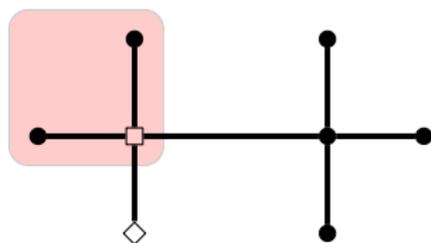
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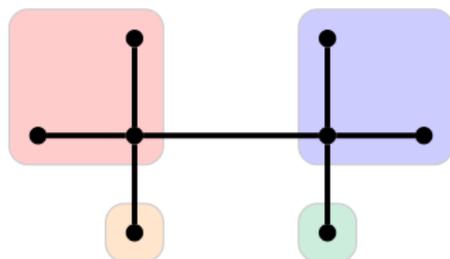
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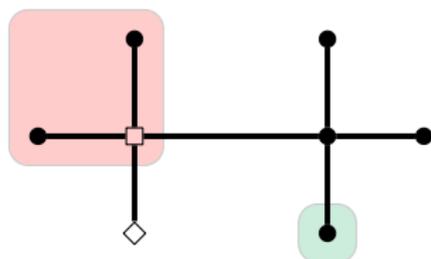
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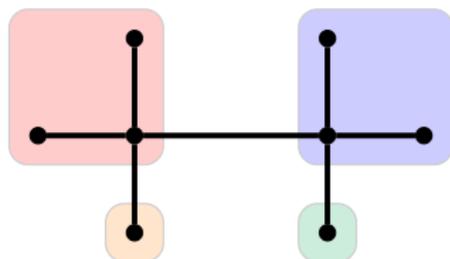
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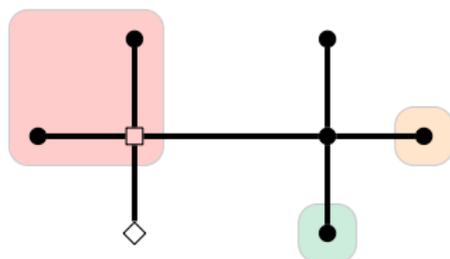
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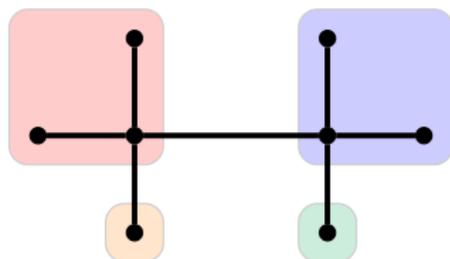
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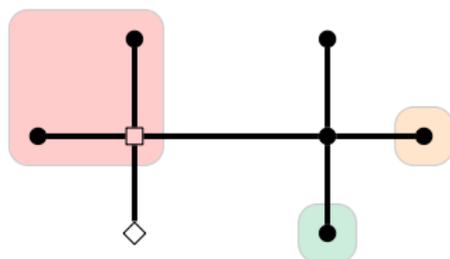
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