Eliminating Crossings in Ordered Graphs

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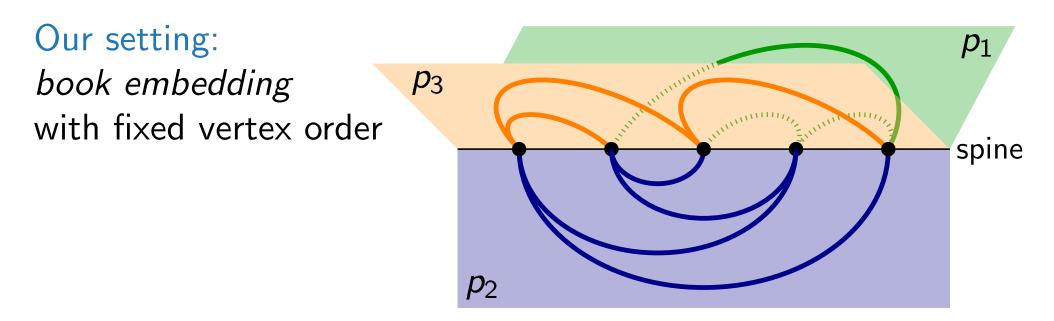
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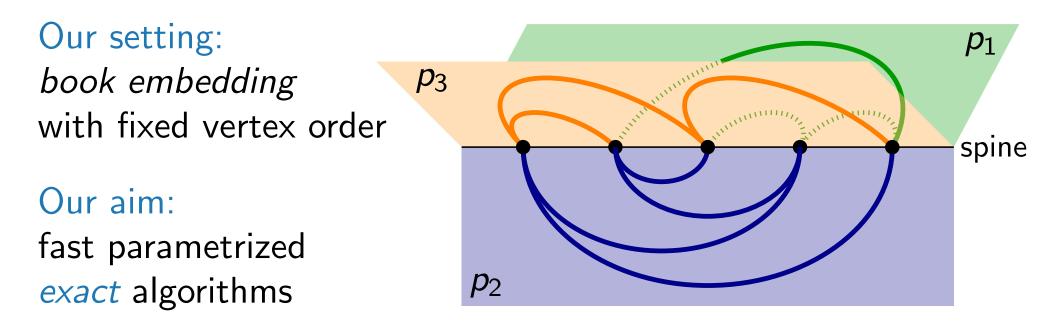
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Our setting: book embedding with fixed vertex order Our aim: fast parametrized exact algorithms p_1 p_3 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_1 p_1 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_2 p_2 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_2 p_2 p_2 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_2 p_1 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_2 p_3 p_3 p_3

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Yet another option: Remove part of every edge (e.g., middle half) \rightarrow *partial edge drawings* (not today).

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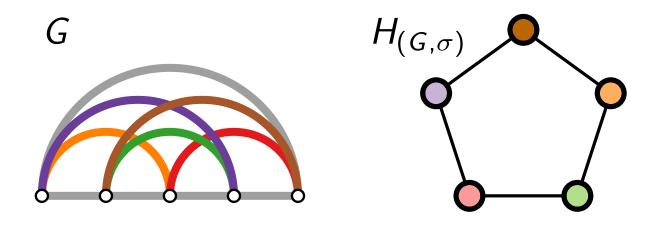
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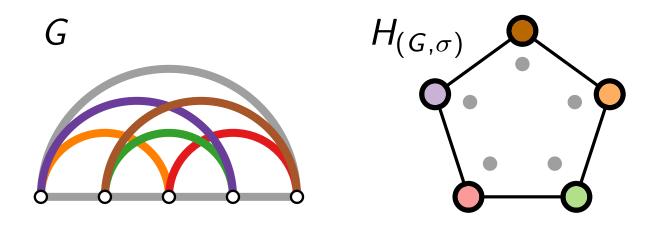
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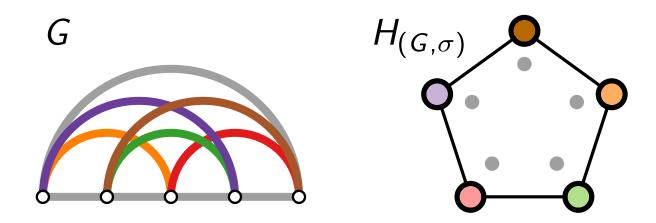
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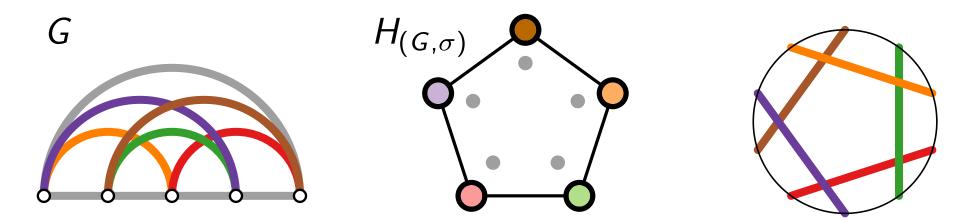


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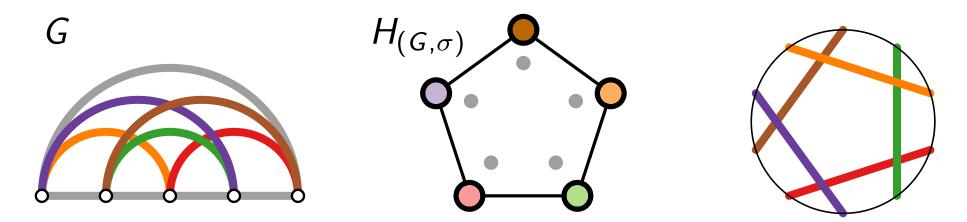
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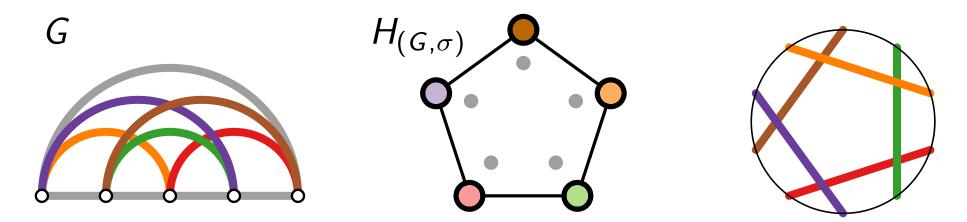
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Bhore et al. [2020] also study the flexible vertex-order case: They solve PAGE NUMBER in $2^{vc^{O(vc)}} + vc \log vc \cdot n$ time.

Our Contribution

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Theorem. Given $p \ge 1$ and an ordered graph (G, σ) with n vertices and m edges, we can compute the values $\operatorname{cr}_1(G, \sigma), \ldots, \operatorname{cr}_p(G, \sigma)$ in $2^m \cdot n^{O(1)}$ time.

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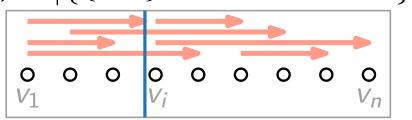
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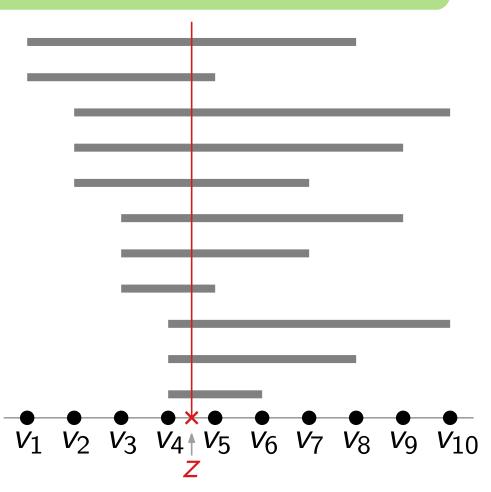
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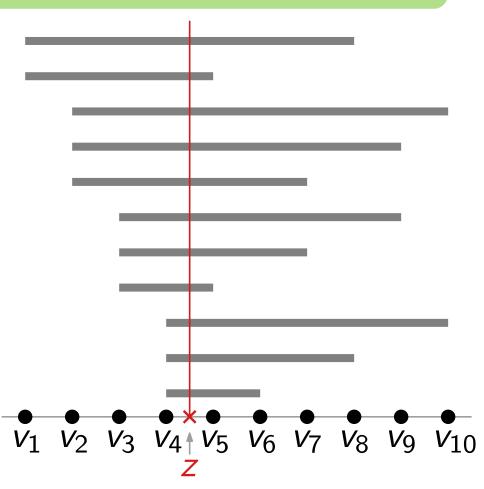
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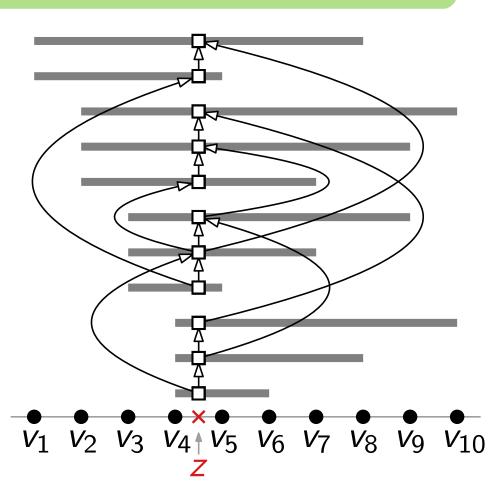
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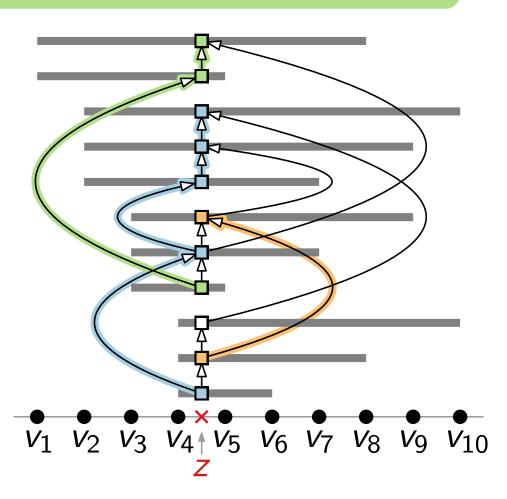
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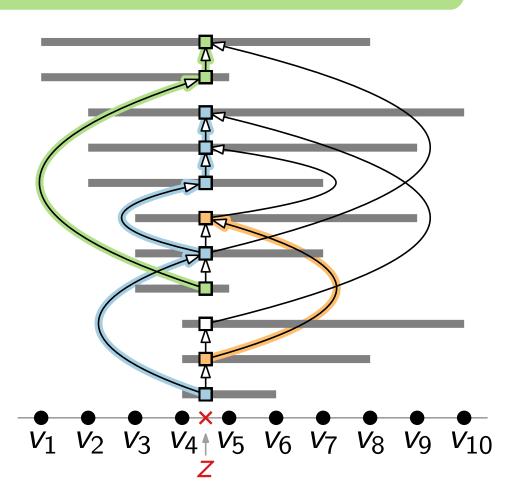
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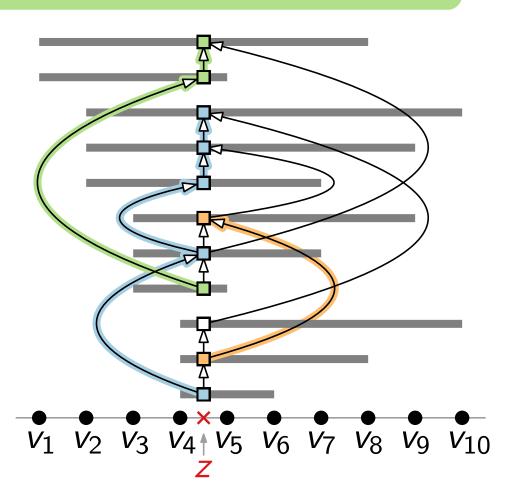
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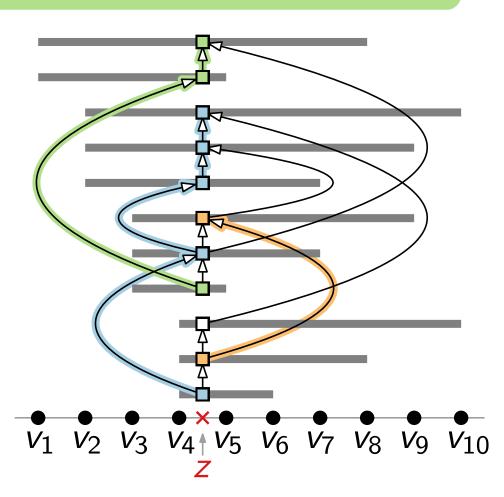
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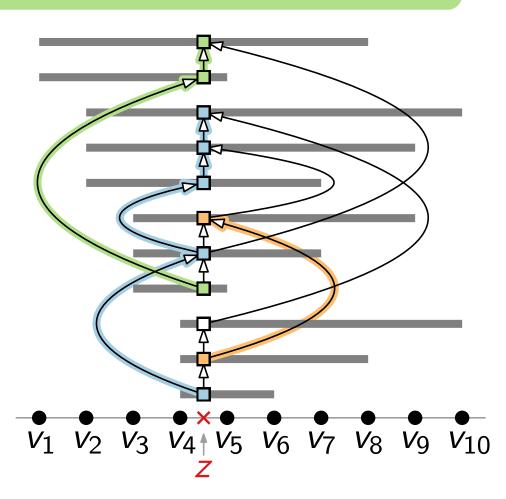
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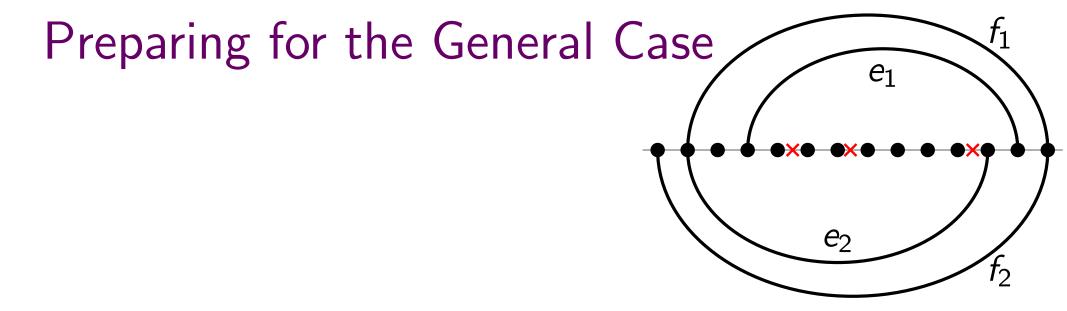


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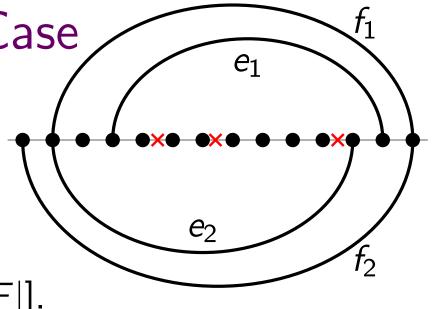
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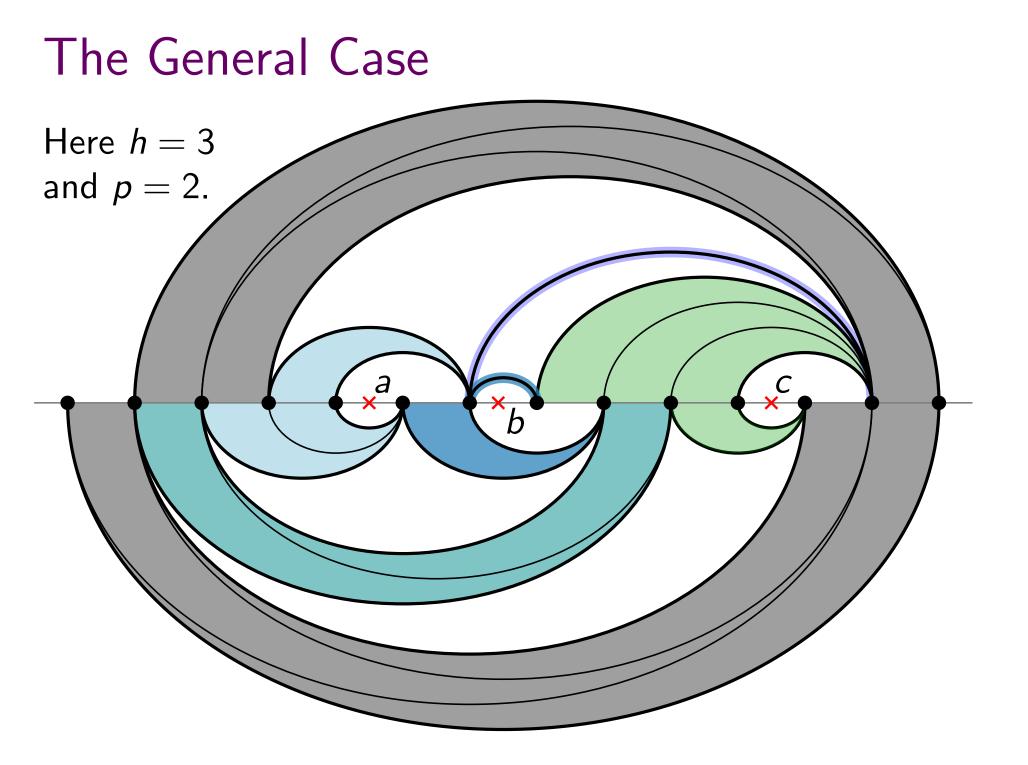
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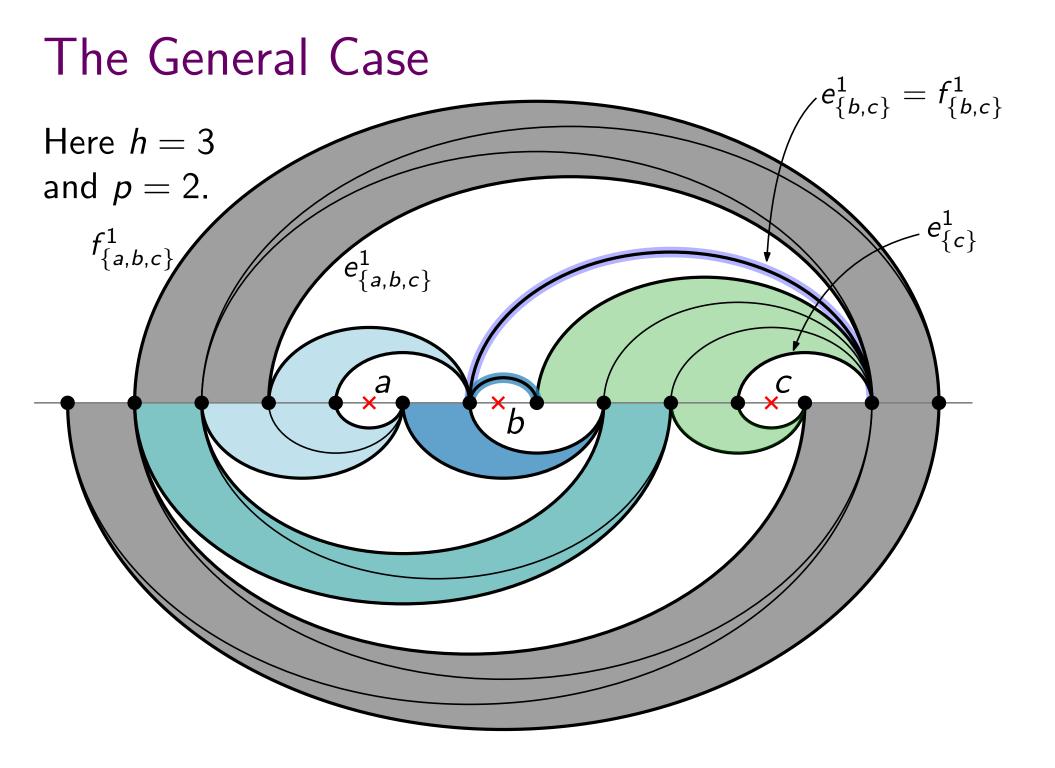
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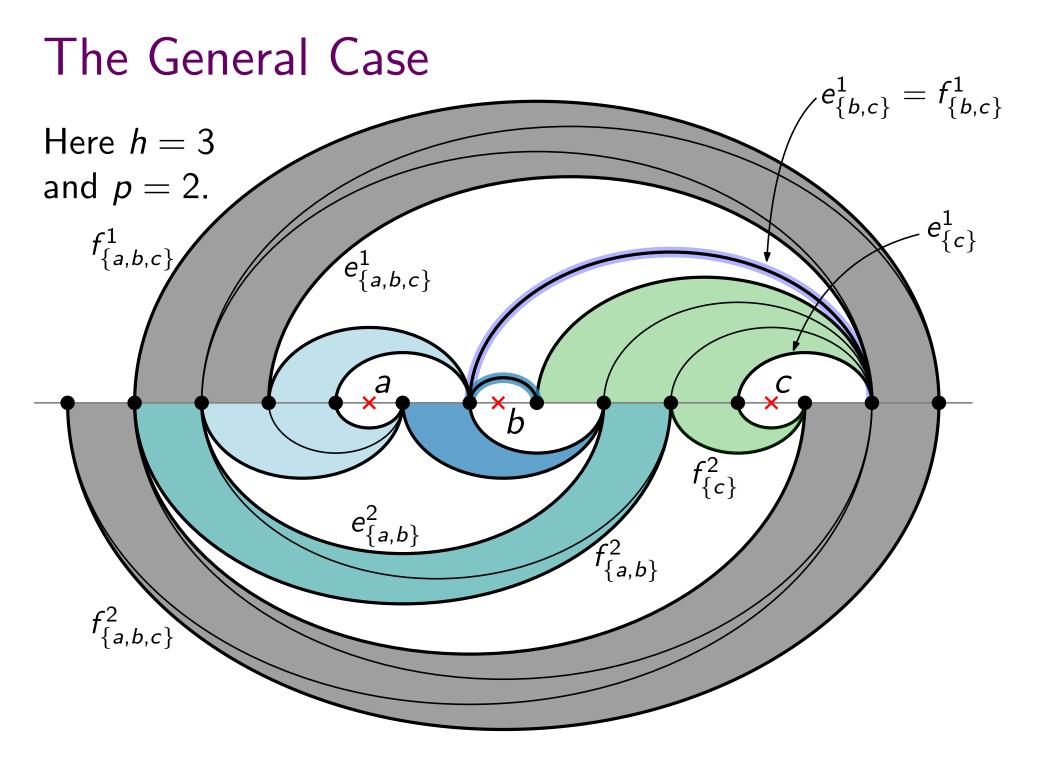
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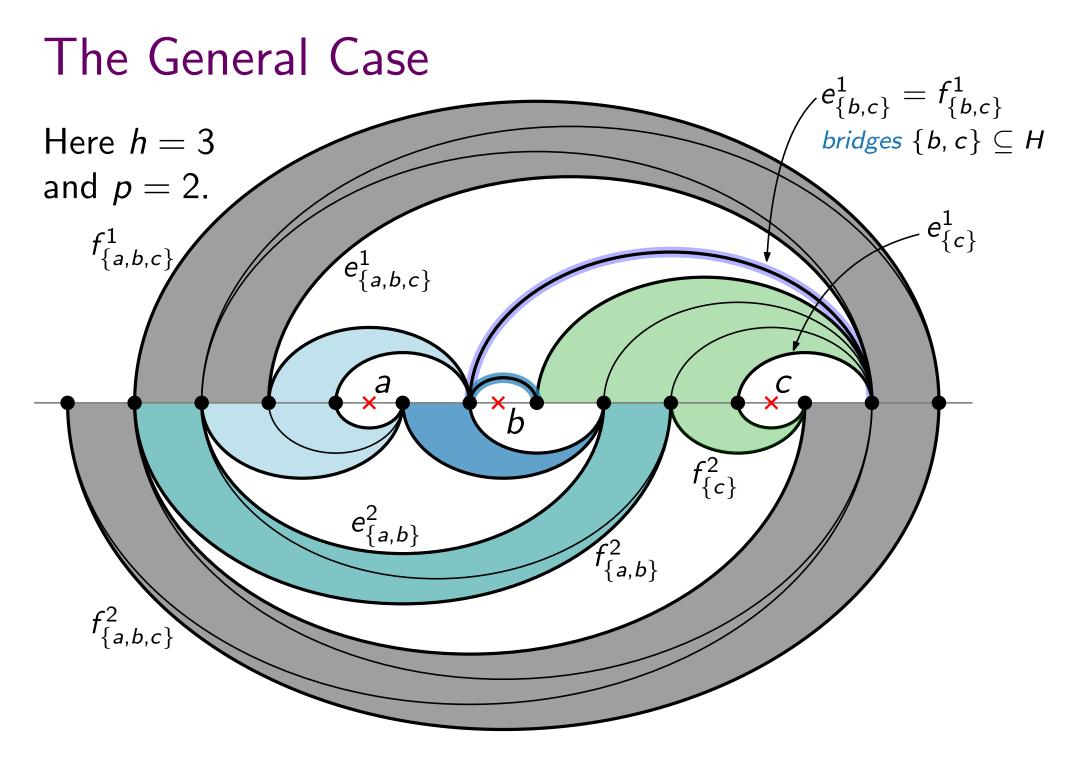
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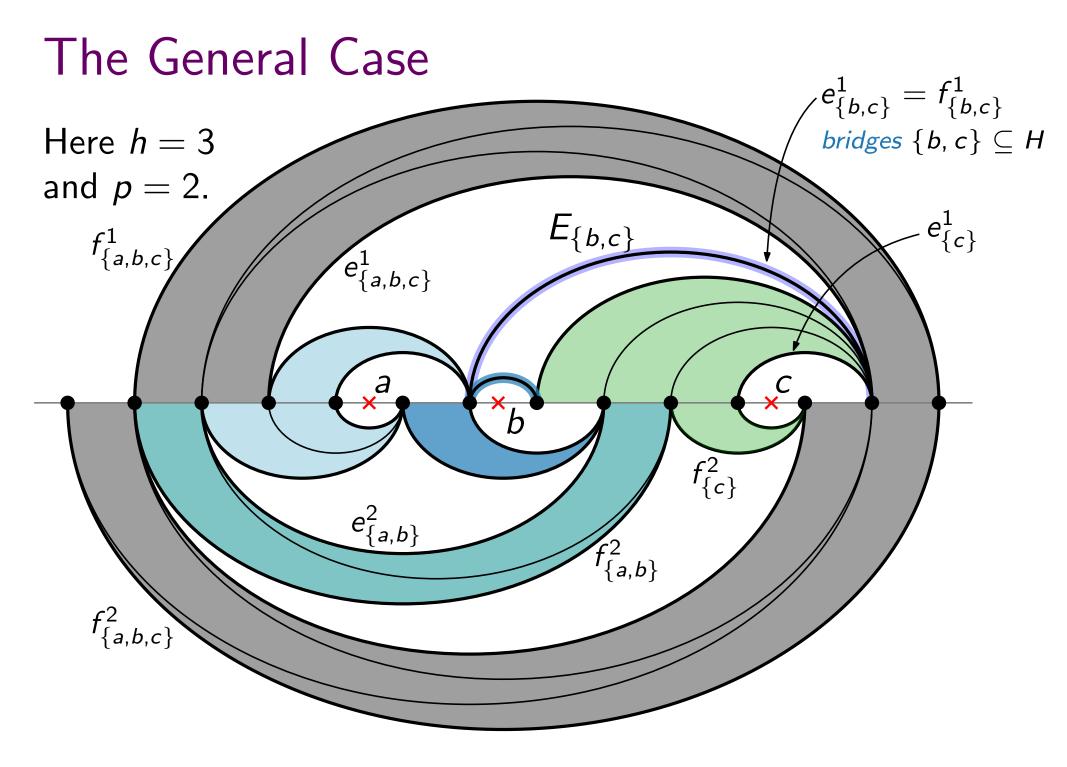
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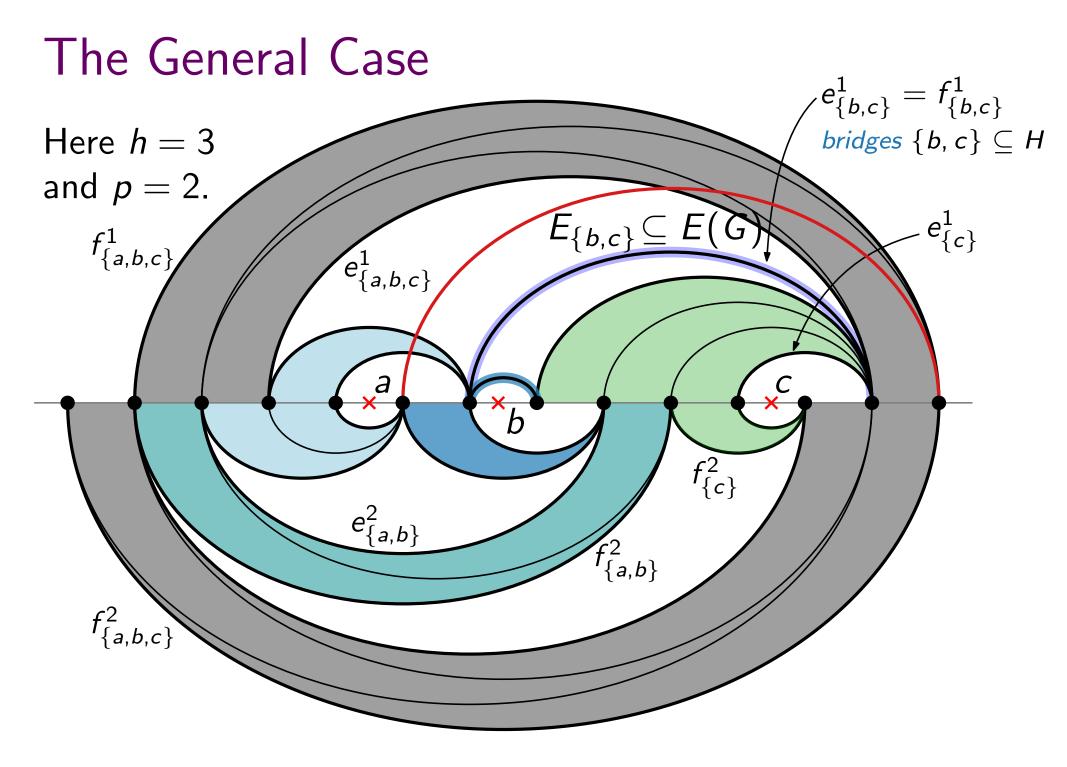


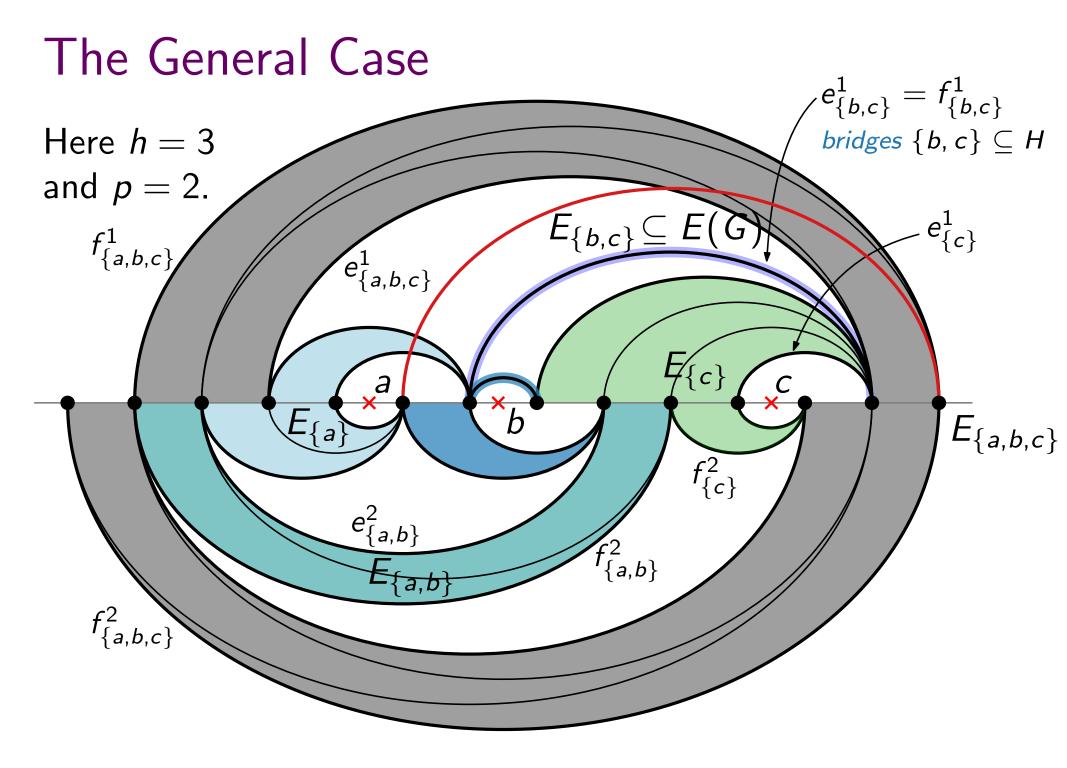


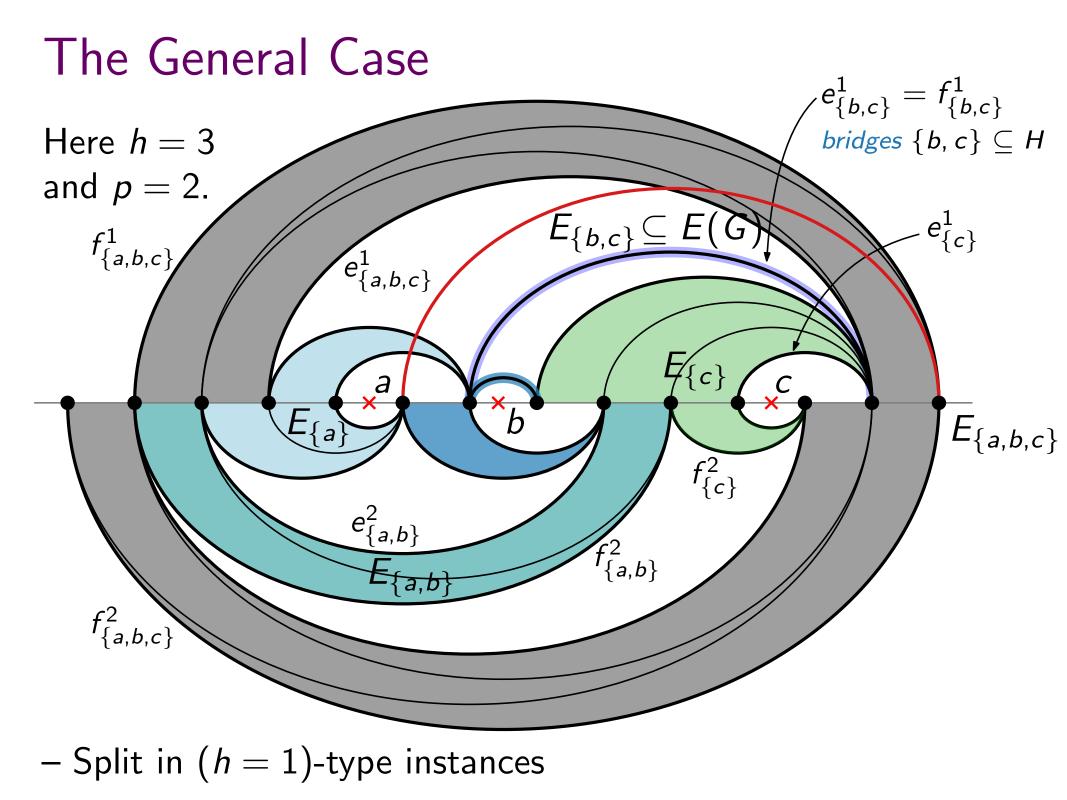


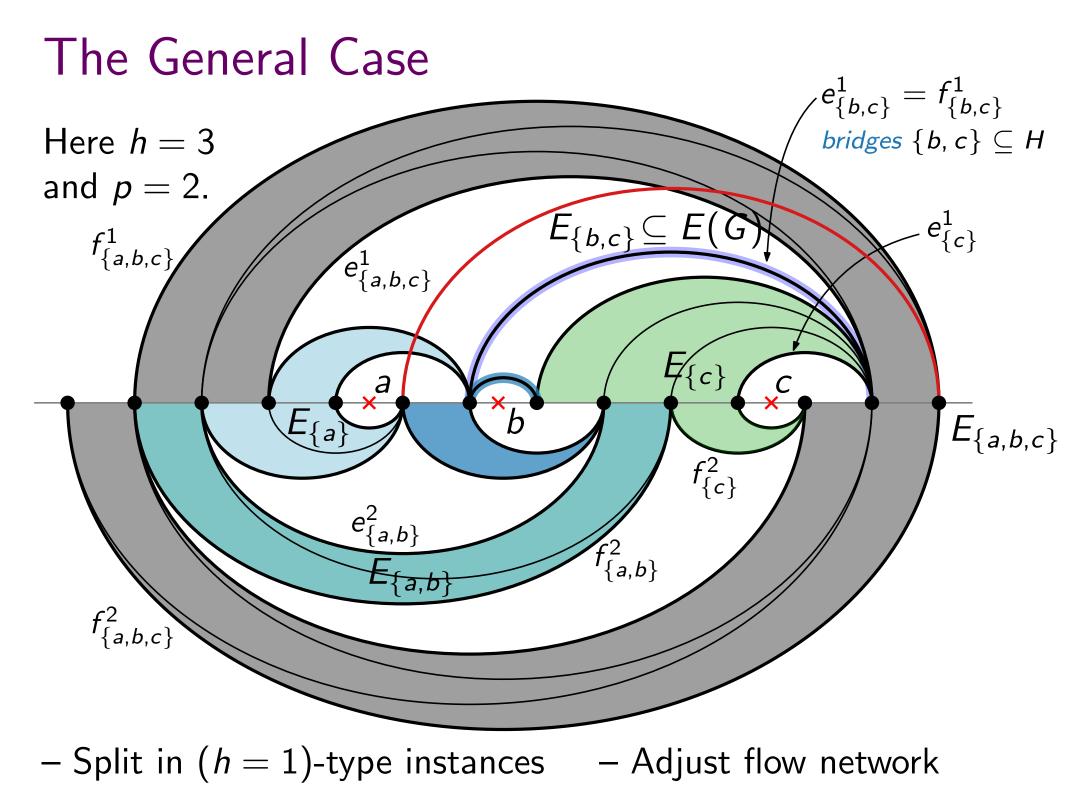












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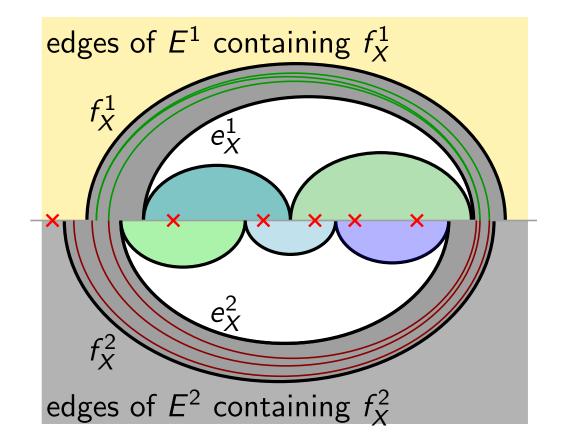
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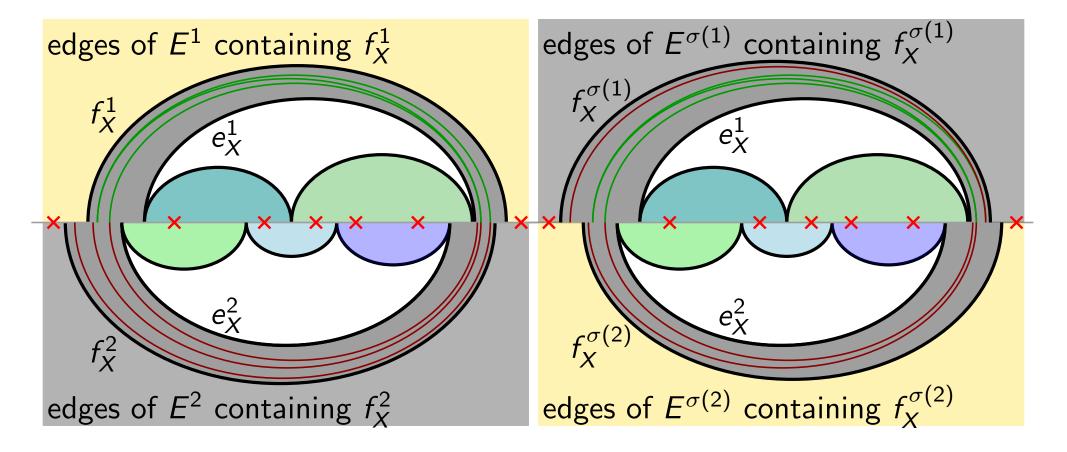
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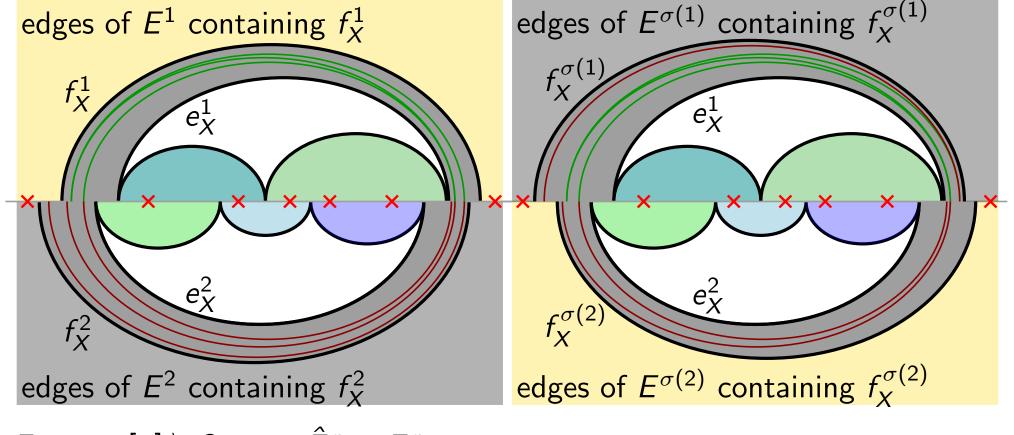
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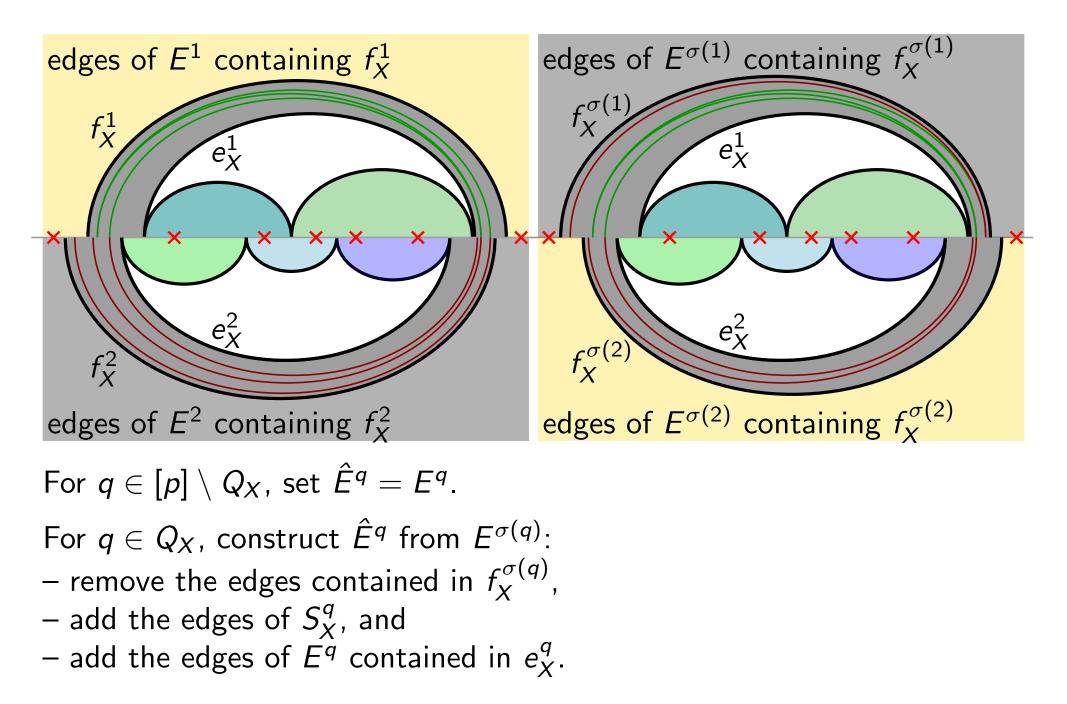
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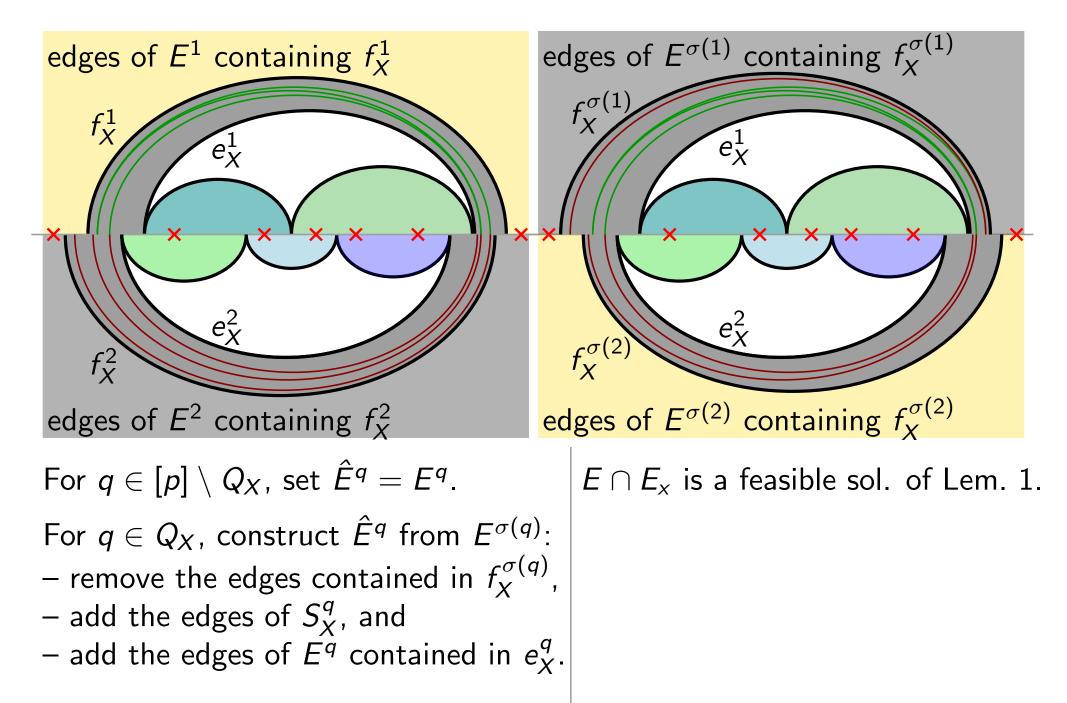


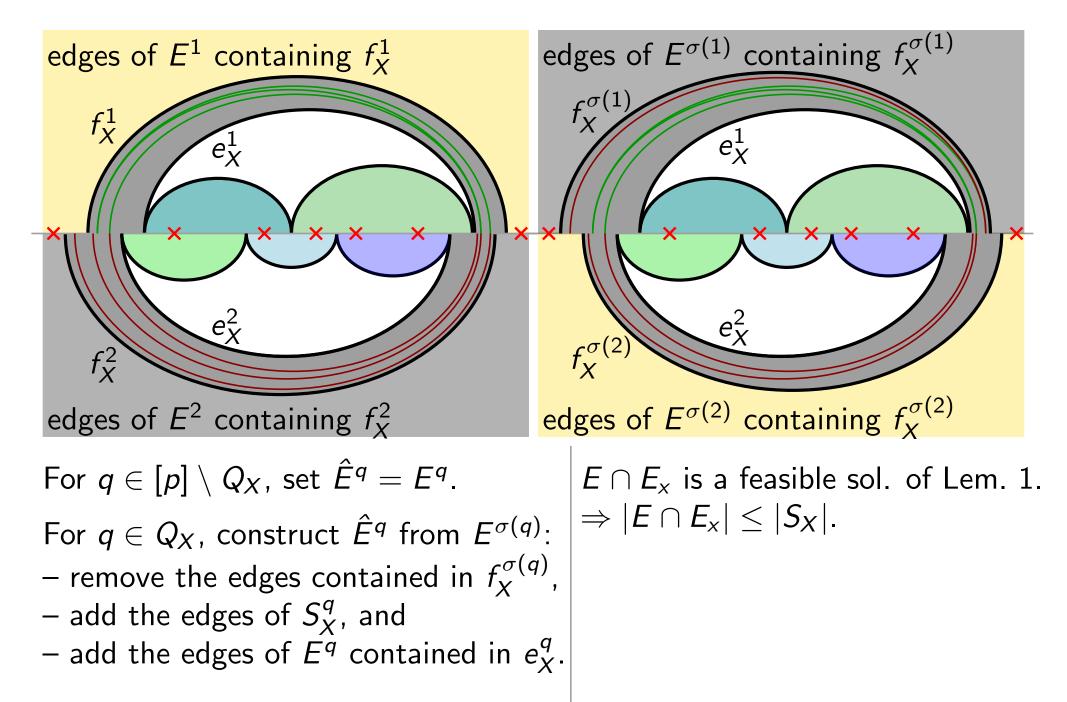


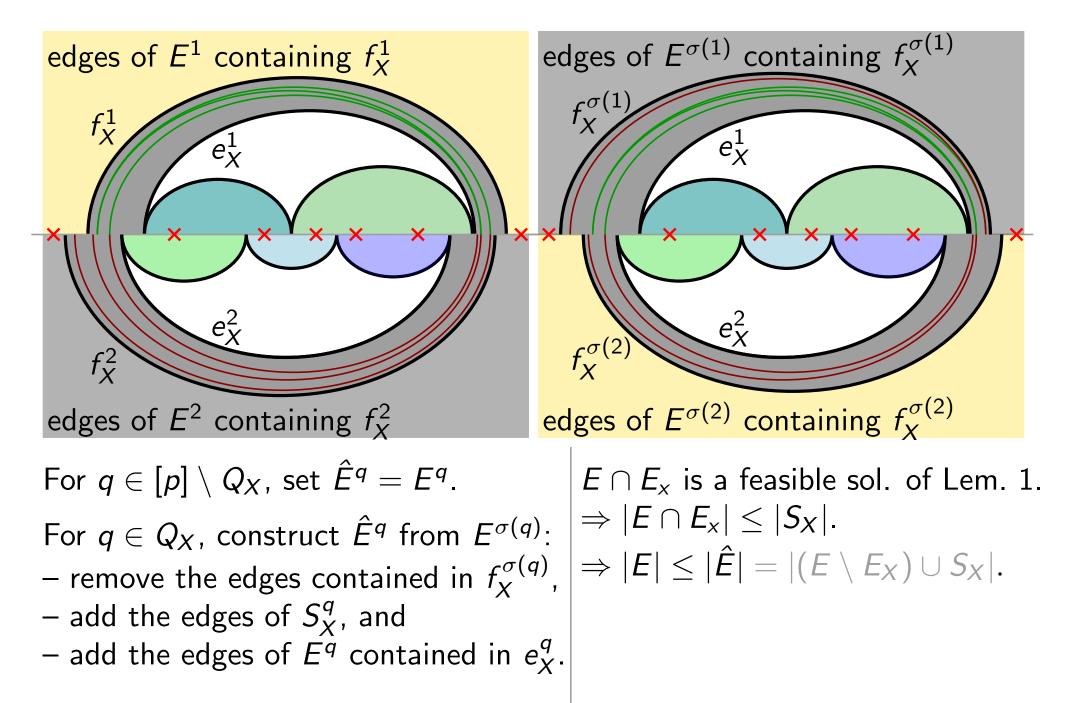


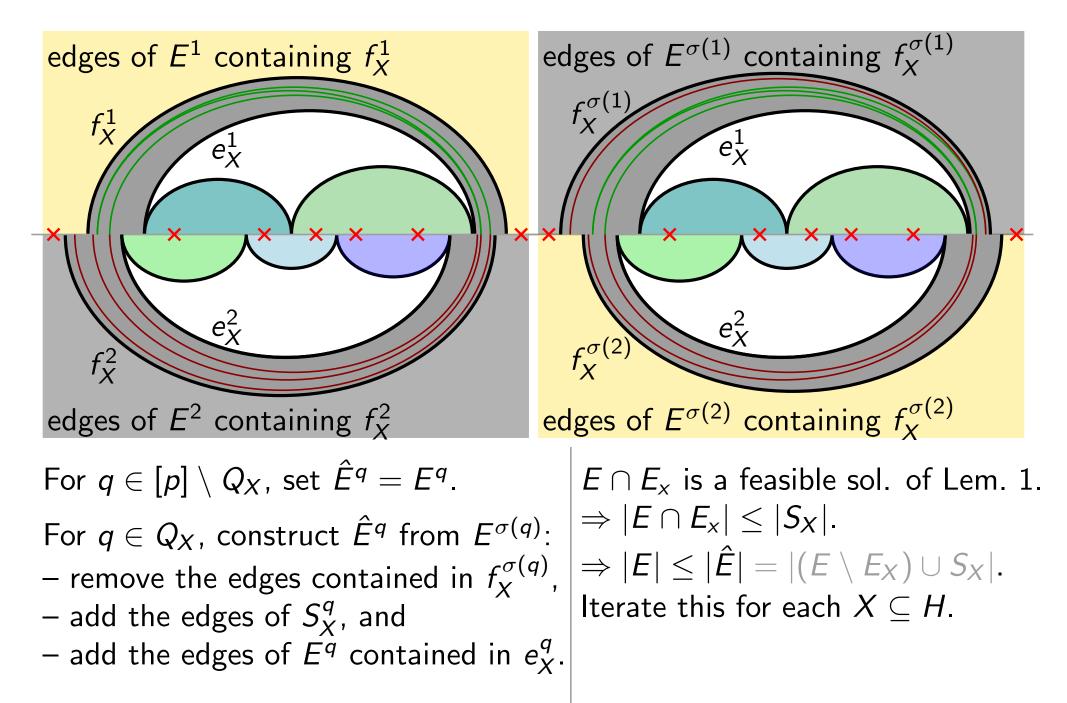
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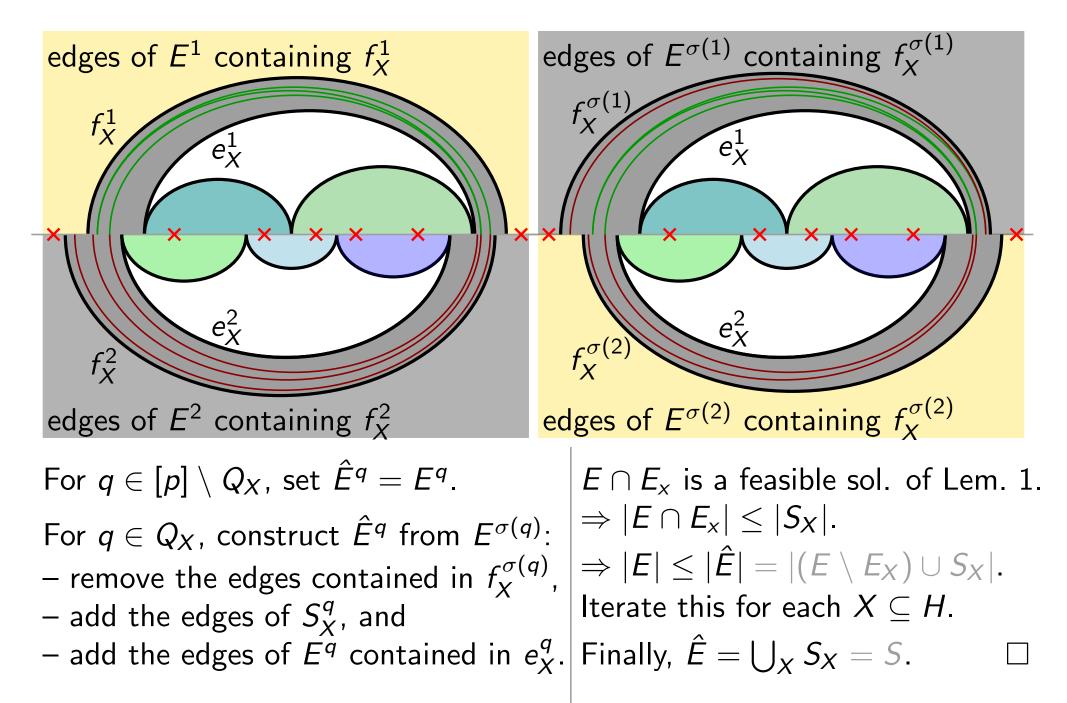












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