

Transverse t -designs

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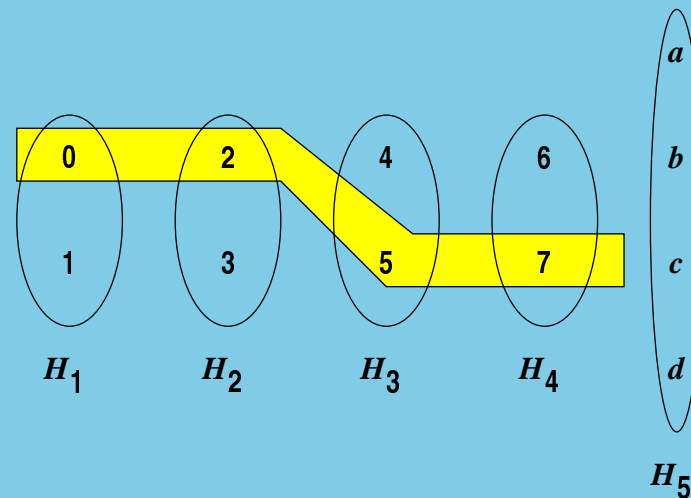
Transverse subsets X = the point set.

$\mathcal{H} = [H_1, H_2, \dots, H_r]$ is a partition of X into *holes*.

Type is $\prod j^{m[j]}$ where there are $m[j]$ holes of size j .

$T \subseteq X$ is *transverse* w.r.t \mathcal{H} if $|T \cap H_i| = 0$ or 1 , $\forall i$.

Example: A transverse subset.



Partition type $2^4 4^1$,

Transverse t -design A transverse t -design with parameters t - (v, k, λ) is a triple $(X, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{B})$

- X is a v -element set of *points*
- $\mathcal{H} = \{H_1, H_2, \dots, H_r\}$ is a partition of X into *holes*;
- \mathcal{B} is a collection of transverse subsets of X called *blocks*;
- every transverse t -element subset is in exactly λ blocks.

Example: A Transverse
3- $(12, 4, 1)$
design of type $2^4 4^1$.

$$X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, a, b, c, d\}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = [\{0, 1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4, 5\}, \{6, 7\}, \{a, b, c, d\}]$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \{3, 5, 7, a\} & \{3, 5, 6, b\} & \{3, 4, 7, d\} & \{3, 4, 6, c\} \\ \{2, 5, 7, c\} & \{2, 5, 6, d\} & \{2, 4, 7, b\} & \{2, 4, 6, a\} \\ \{1, 5, 7, b\} & \{1, 5, 6, c\} & \{1, 4, 7, a\} & \{1, 4, 6, d\} \\ \{1, 3, 7, c\} & \{1, 3, 6, a\} & \{1, 3, 5, d\} & \{1, 3, 4, b\} \\ \{1, 2, 7, d\} & \{1, 2, 6, b\} & \{1, 2, 5, a\} & \{1, 2, 4, c\} \\ \{0, 5, 7, d\} & \{0, 5, 6, a\} & \{0, 4, 7, c\} & \{0, 4, 6, b\} \\ \{0, 3, 7, b\} & \{0, 3, 6, d\} & \{0, 3, 5, c\} & \{0, 3, 4, a\} \\ \{0, 2, 7, a\} & \{0, 2, 6, c\} & \{0, 2, 5, b\} & \{0, 2, 4, d\} \end{array} \right)$$

Connections

- A transverse t – (v, k, λ) design of type 1^v is an (ordinary) t –design.
- Steiner if $\lambda = 1$.
 - ★ No nontrivial (block size $<$ number of holes) Steiner transverse t –design is known to exist with $t \geq 6$.
- A transverse 2–design is a group divisible design.
- Uniform if $|H| = u$ for all $H \in \mathcal{H}$ i.e. type u^r .
- A uniform transverse t – (u^r, r, λ) design of type u^r is
 - ★ an orthogonal array of strength t
 - ★ a.k.a a fractional factorial design.

Automorphisms

An automorphism must preserve

The points X , the holes \mathcal{H} , and the blocks \mathcal{B} .

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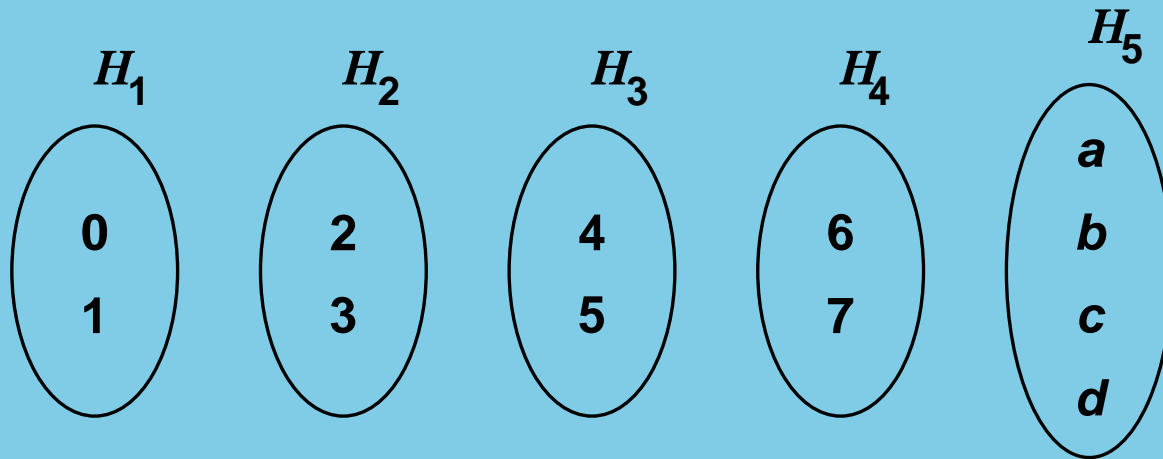
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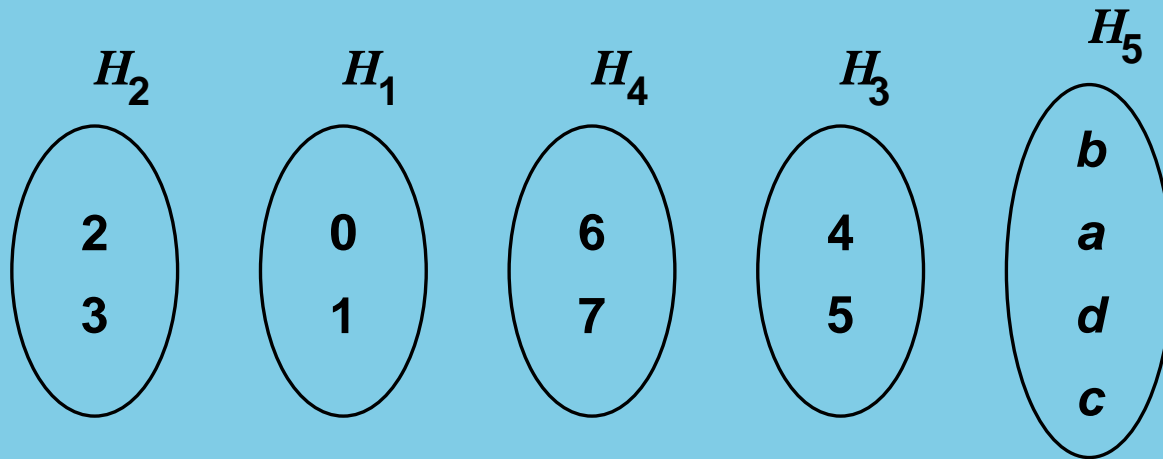
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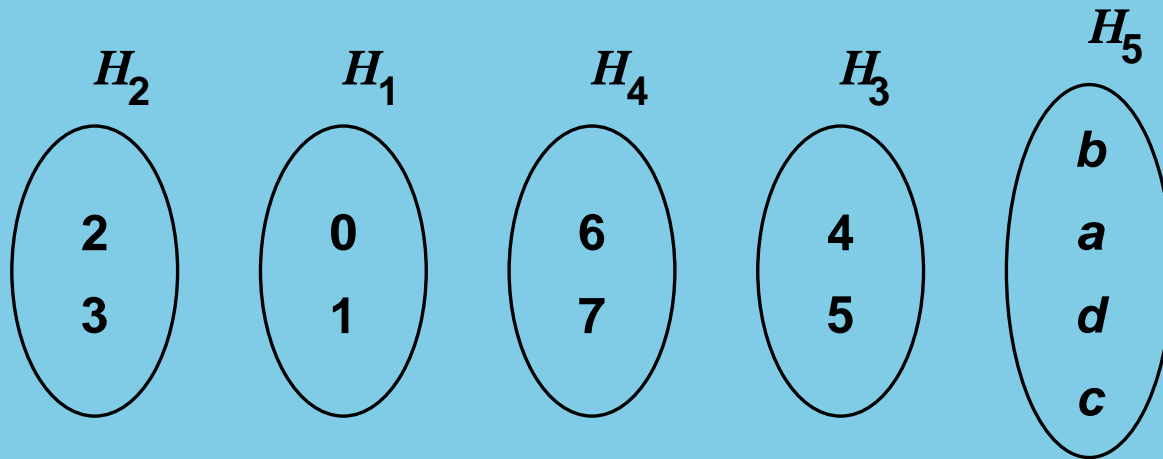
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Incidence matrix

Let G be a possible automorphism group of a transverse t - (v, k, λ) design $(X, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{B})$.

Let;

- $\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \dots, \Delta_{N_t}$ be the orbits of transverse t -subsets;
- $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \dots, \Gamma_{N_k}$ be the orbits of transverse k -subsets;
- $A_{tk}[\Delta_i, \Gamma_j] = |\{K \in \Gamma_j : K \supseteq T\}|$, $T \in \Delta_i$ fixed.

Then there is a transverse t - (v, k, λ) design with automorphism group G if and only if

$$A_{tk}U = \lambda J$$

has a $(0, 1)$ -valued solution U .

Example

Holes: $\{0\}$ $\{1\}$ $\{2\}$ $\{3\}$ $\{4, 5, 6\}$ $\{7, 8, 9\}$ (Type $1^4 3^2$.)

Group generators: $(0, 1)(2, 3)$, $(0, 2)(1, 3)$, $(0, 1, 2)(4, 5, 6)(7, 8, 9)$

Orbits of transverse triples:

$$\Delta_0 = \{012, 013, 023, 123\}$$

$$\Delta_1 = \{014, 234, 125, 026, 035, 036, 136\}$$

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Row Δ_4 of A_{tk} is $[0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0]$.

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Δ_0	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Δ_1	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Δ_2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Δ_3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Δ_4	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Δ_5	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
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$$A_{34}U = J, \text{ where } U = [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0]^T.$$

So $\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_5 \cup \Gamma_7 \cup \Gamma_9$ is a transverse Steiner quadruple system of type $1^4 3^2$

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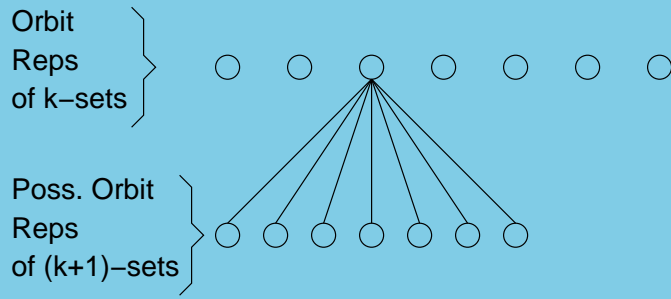
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Remarks on Orbit representatives



Order subsets by Lexicographical order.

If B is a minimal orbit rep. of transverse $(k + 1)$ -sets, then for some $x \in B$,

$$A = B \setminus \{x\},$$

is a minimal orbit rep. of transverse k -sets.

Let

$$C = C_A = \cup \{H \in \mathcal{H} : H \cap A = \emptyset\}$$

Consider all $A \cup \{x\}$ where $x \in C_A$.

Choose the minimal ones.

Computing orbit representatives

procedure TRANSREPS($G, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{R}, \mathcal{S}$)

comment: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G: \text{group} \\ \mathcal{H}: \text{holes} \\ \mathcal{R}: \text{known orb. reps. of trans. } k\text{-sets} \\ \mathcal{S}: \text{computed orb. reps. of trans. } (k + 1)\text{-sets} \end{array} \right.$

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for each A in the list \mathcal{R}

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Computing the number of orbits

The number of orbits of transverse k -sets

$$N[k] = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \text{FIX}(g);$$

where

$\text{FIX}(g)$ = the number of trans. k -sets fixed by g

So, we need to compute $\text{FIX}(g)$.

Computing Fix(g)

Write $g = C_0C_1C_2 \cdots C_{s-1}$ into disjoint cycles and set $\overline{C_j} = \{H : H \cap C_j \neq \emptyset\}$.

If K is a transverse k -element subset fixed by g , then

1. K is a union of cycles $C_{j[1]}, C_{j[2]}, \dots, C_{j[\ell]}$,
2. each $C_{j[i]}$ is transverse to \mathcal{H} for $i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$, and
3. $\overline{C_{j[h]}} \cap \overline{C_{j[i]}} = \emptyset$ for all $h \neq i$.

Define graph \mathcal{G}_g

- vertices = $\{C_j : C_j \text{ is transverse to } \mathcal{H}\}$.
- C_j is adjacent to C_i if and only if $\overline{C_j} \cap \overline{C_i} = \emptyset$

If A is a clique in \mathcal{G}_g , then g fixes a subset of size

$$\sum_{C_j \in A} |C_j|$$

namely the subset

$$K = \{x : x \in C_j \text{ and } C_j \in A\}.$$

Procedure for the num. of trans. orbits

procedure TRANSNORB(G)

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** n

do $N[i] = 0$

for each $g \in G$

do $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Construct } \Gamma_g \\ \text{for each clique } K \text{ of } \Gamma_g \\ \text{do } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} j \leftarrow 0 \\ \text{for each cycle } C \in K \text{ do } j \leftarrow j + |C| \\ N[j] \leftarrow N[j] + 1 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** n **do** $N[i] \leftarrow N[i]/|G|$

output (N)

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Computing orbit representatives

procedure TRANSREPS($G, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{R}, \mathcal{S}$)

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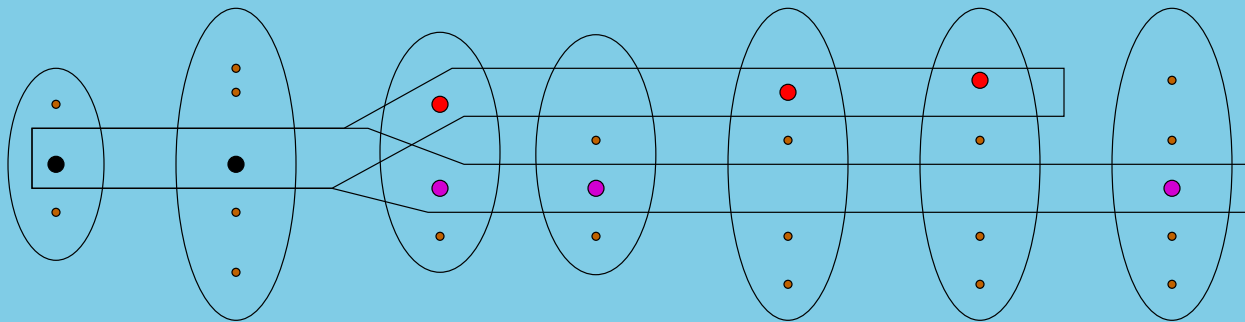
Derived design

Let $(X, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{B})$ be a transverse t - (v, k, λ) design of type $h_1 h_2 \cdots h_r$ and let $S \subseteq X$, $s = |S| < t$.

Then the *derived design* w.r.t. S is the transverse $(t - s)$ - $((v - s), (k - s), \lambda)$ design $(X', \mathcal{H}', \mathcal{B}')$; where

- $X' = X \setminus S$;
- $\mathcal{H}' = \{H \in \mathcal{H}, H \cap S = \emptyset\}$
- $\mathcal{B}' = \{B \setminus S : S \subseteq B \in \mathcal{B}\}$

Example with $t = 3$, $s = 2$ and $k = 5$.



Necessary Conditions for transverse SQS

Theorem \therefore Suppose that a transverse SQS(v) of type $h_1h_2 \dots h_n$ exists and $n \geq 4$. Then

$v = \sum_{i=1}^n h_i$ and the following hold:

1. $h_i + h_j \equiv v \pmod{2}, \forall i \neq j$;
2. There exists a 3-GDD of type $\prod_{i \neq \ell} h_i, \forall \ell$;
3. $\sum_{0 < i < j < k \leq n} h_i h_j h_k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

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1. $h_1 \equiv h_2 \equiv \dots \equiv h_n \pmod{2}, n \geq 4$;
2. $v \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, n \geq 4$.

Recursive and direct constructions

T.1. (Mills) For $u \geq 4$, $u \neq 5$:

\exists trans-SQS of type $h^u \Leftrightarrow hu$ is even
and $h(u-1)(u-2) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$

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(Stanton, Mullin) \nexists trans-SQS of type 2^5

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 \exists trans-SQS of type h^5 , $\forall h \equiv 0, 4, 6, 8 \pmod{12}$.

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Open problem: Existence of trans-SQS of type h^5 when $h \equiv 2$ or $10 \pmod{12}$, $h > 2$.

T.2. (G.K.) For each $w > 0$ \exists trans-SQS of type w^4 .

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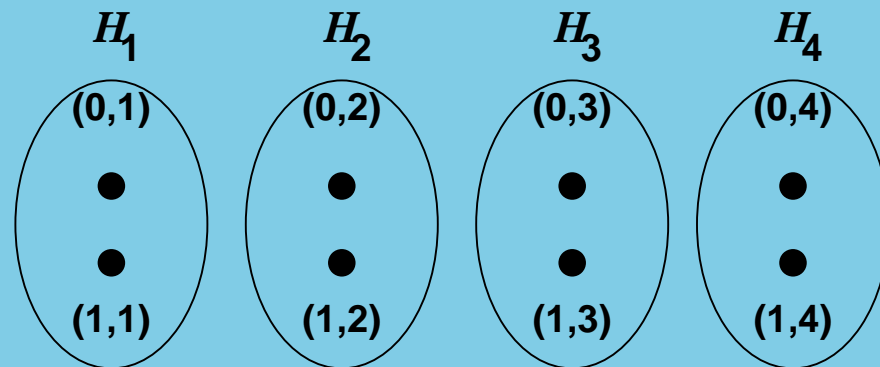
- T.5.** \exists trans-SQS of type m^x and n^y with $m(x - 1) = n(y - 1)$, then *exists* trans-SQS of type $m^x n^y$.
- T.6.** \exists trans-SQS of type m^x and $g = m(x - 1)$, $\Rightarrow \exists$ trans-SQS of type $m^x g^2$.
- T.7.** mn is even and \exists trans-SQS of type $(mn)^r (s + t)^1$ and trans-SQS of type $m^n s^1 t^1 \Rightarrow \exists$ trans-SQS of type $m^{rn} s^1 t^1$.
- T.8.** \nexists a trans-SQS(16) of type $1^1 3^5$.

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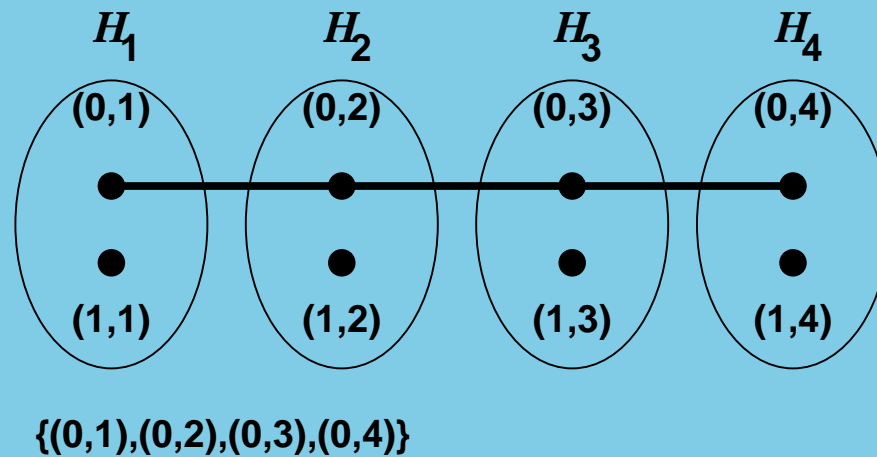
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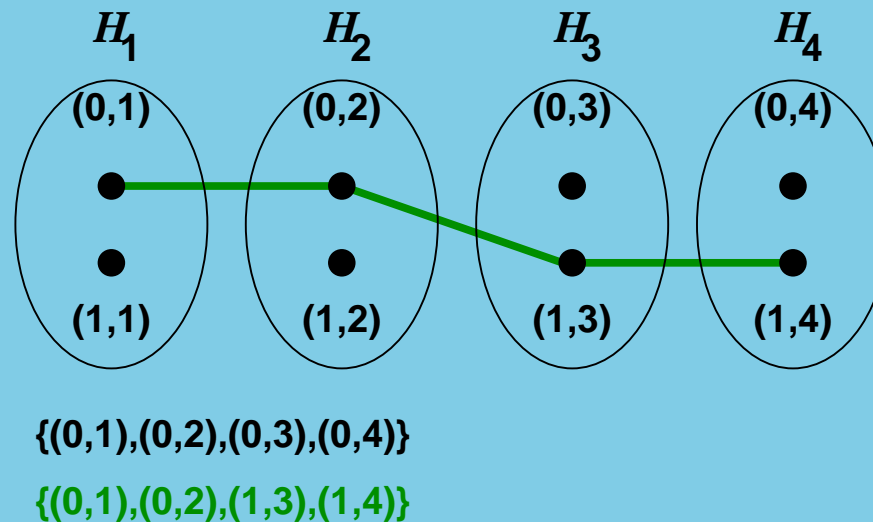
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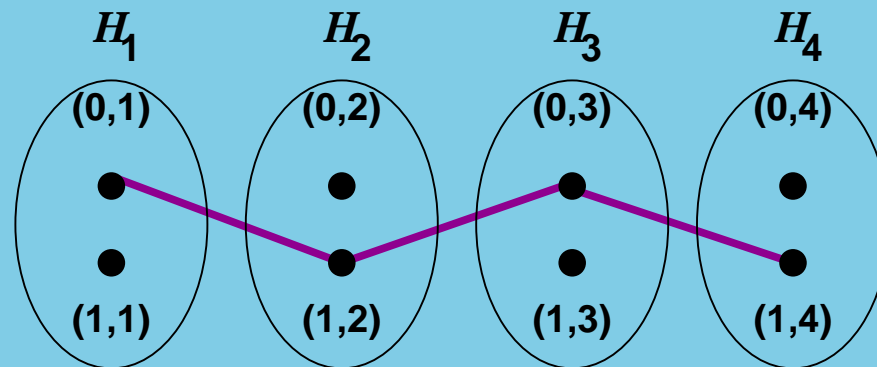
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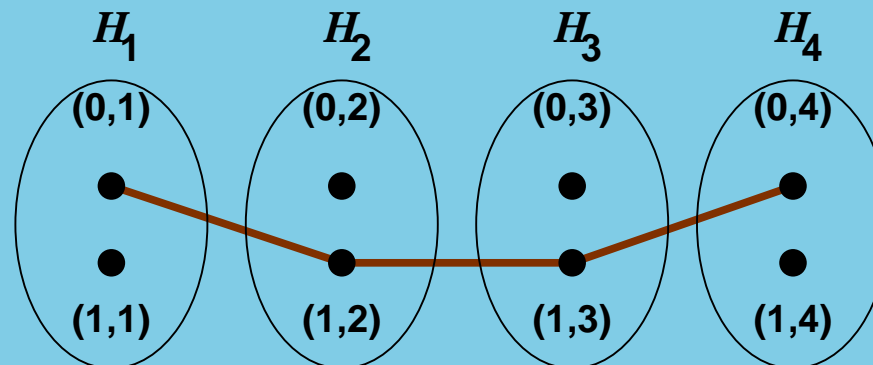
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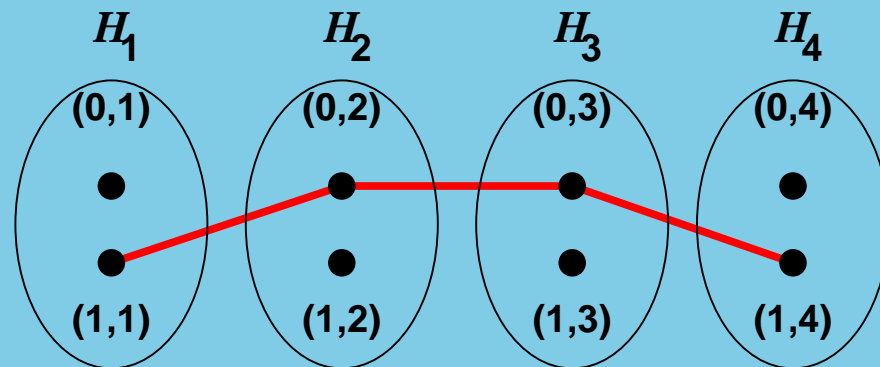
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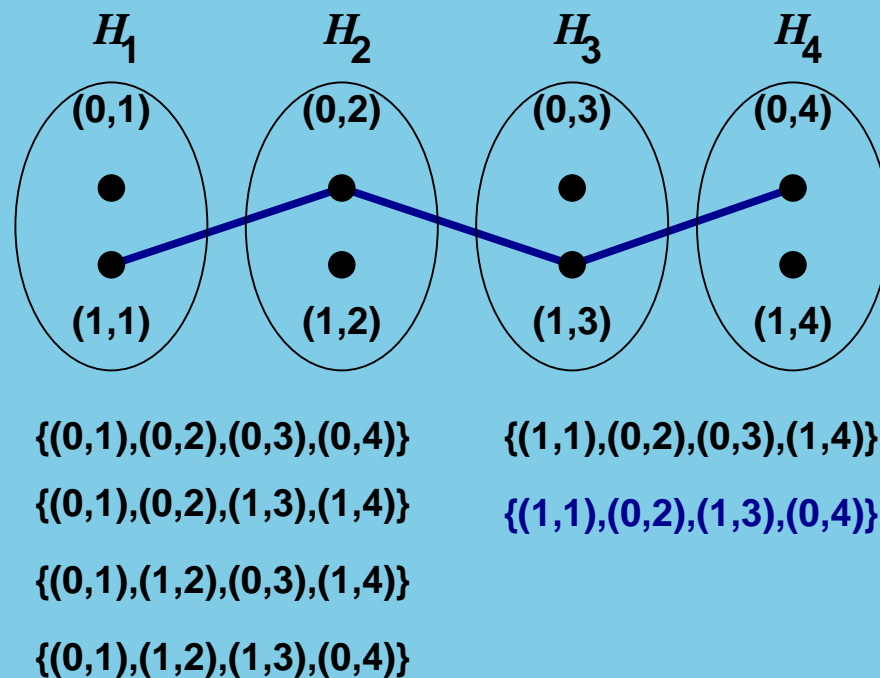
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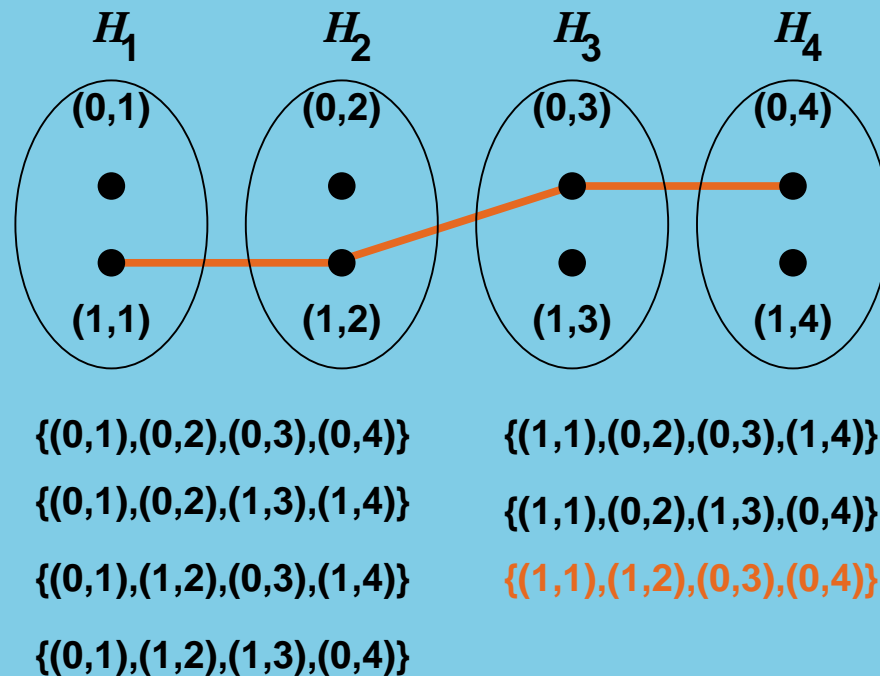
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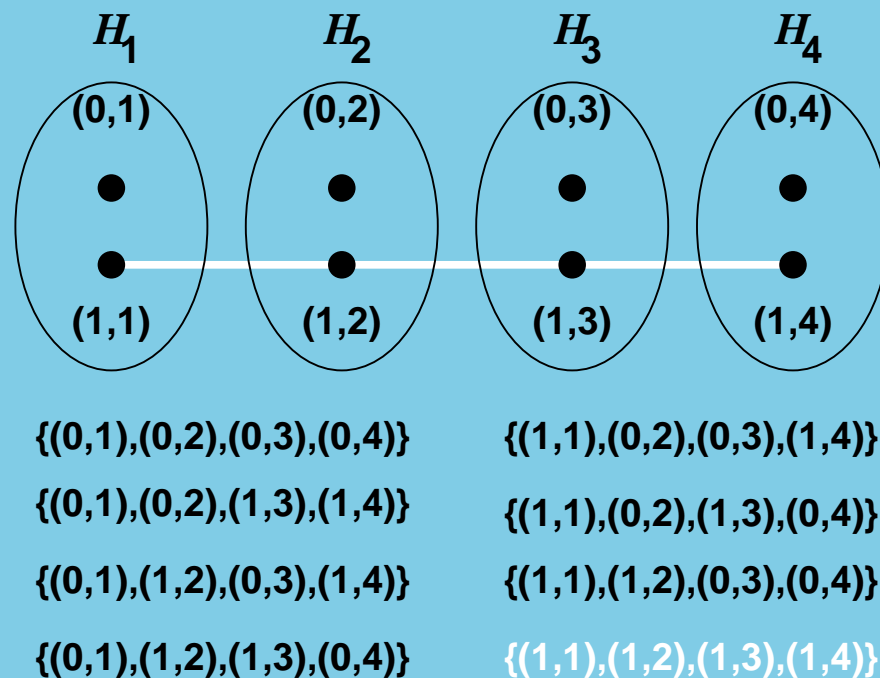
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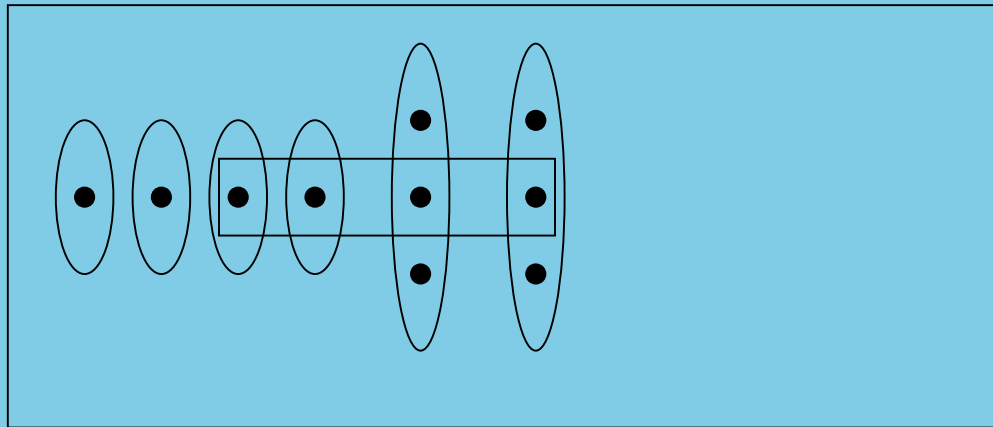
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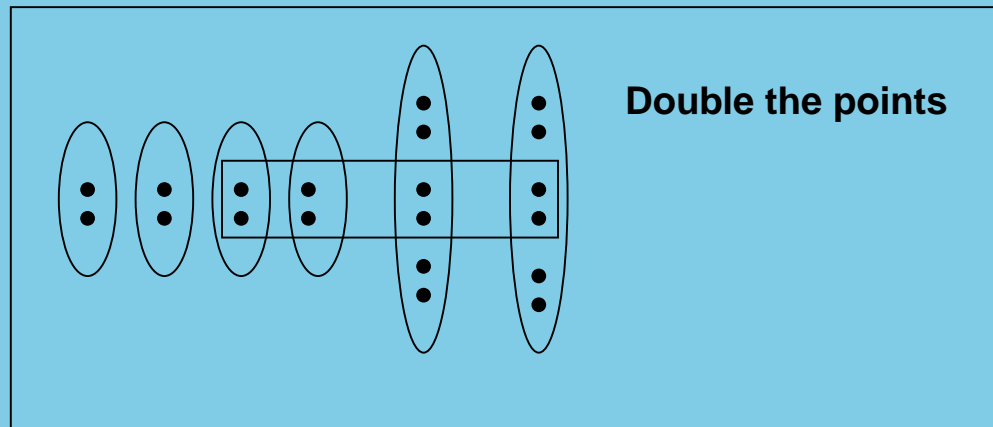
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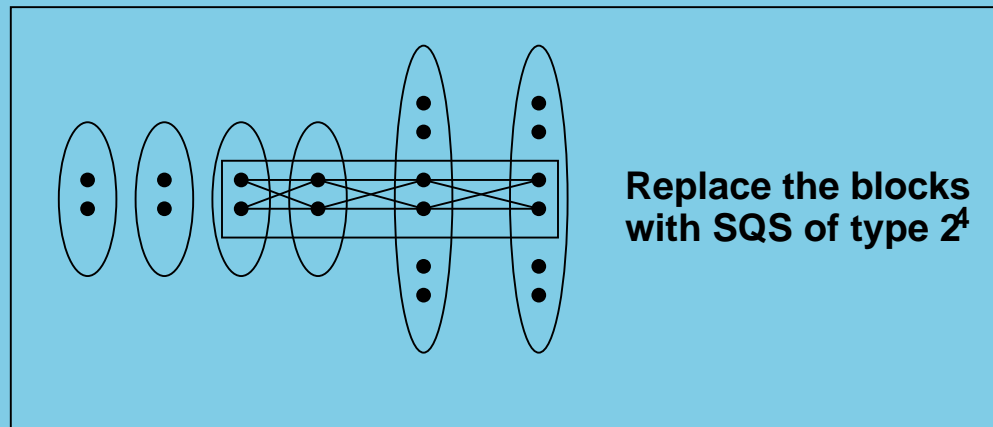
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$$T_1, T_2, \dots, T_{(s-2)m}.$$

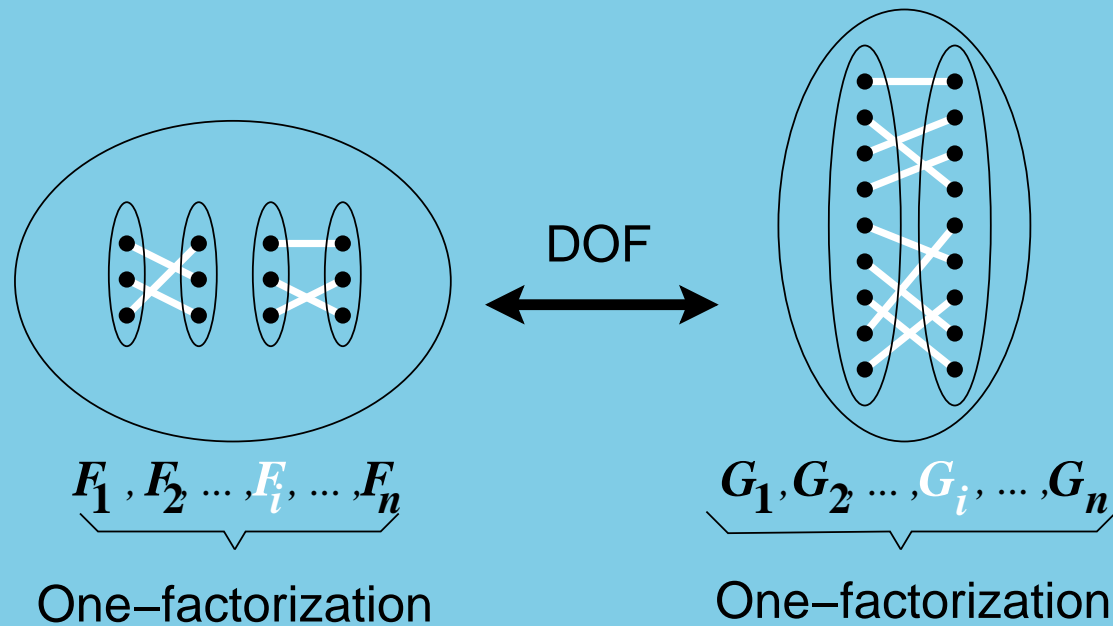
- Add hole of new points

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- Join x_i to each triple in T_i .

The DOF construction

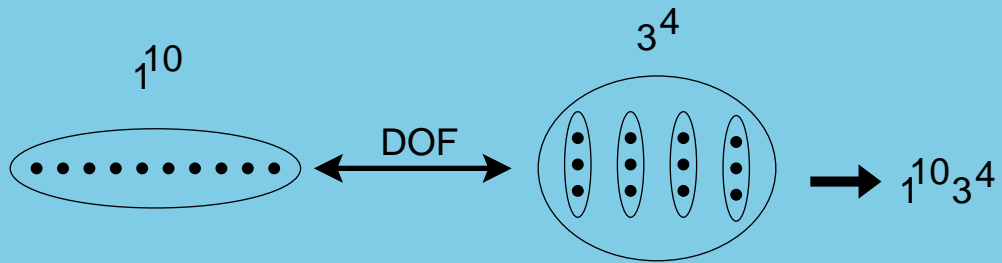
Cover type (2,1) & (1,2) triples with type (2,2) quads.



$$F_i \leftrightarrow G_i = \{e \cup e' : e \in E(F_i), e' \in E(G_i)\}$$

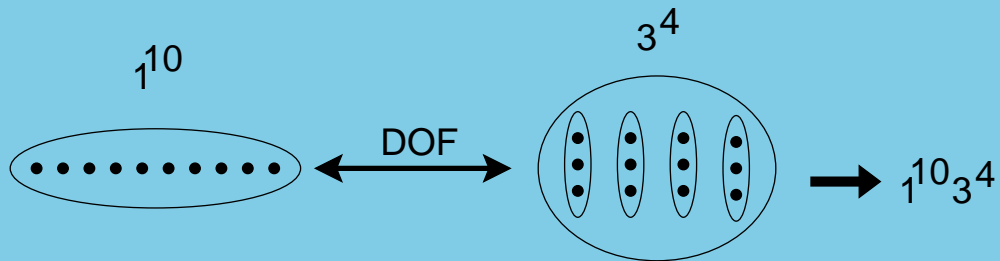
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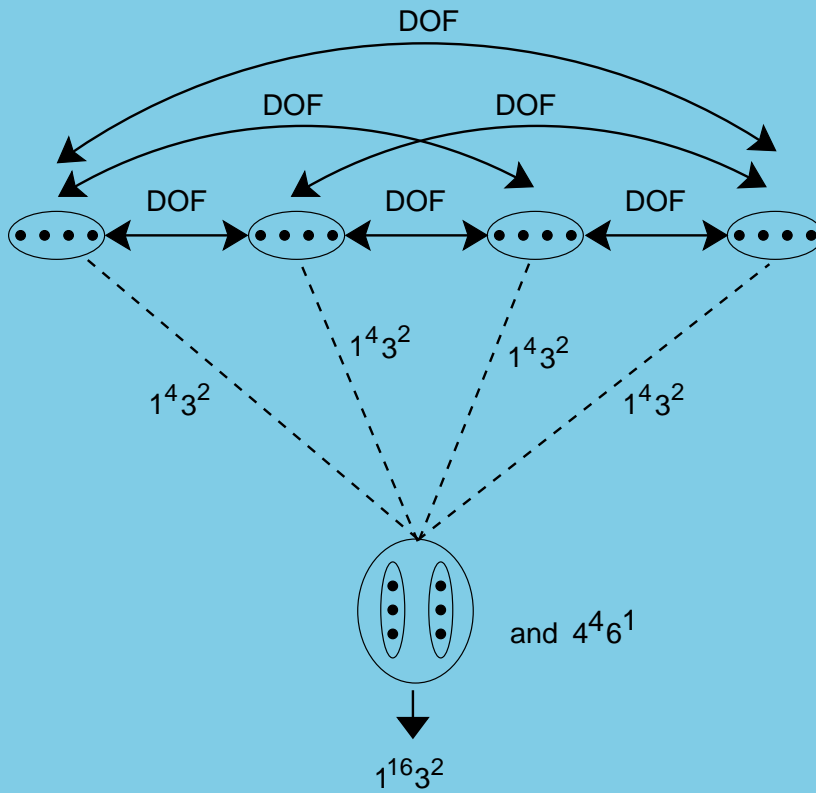


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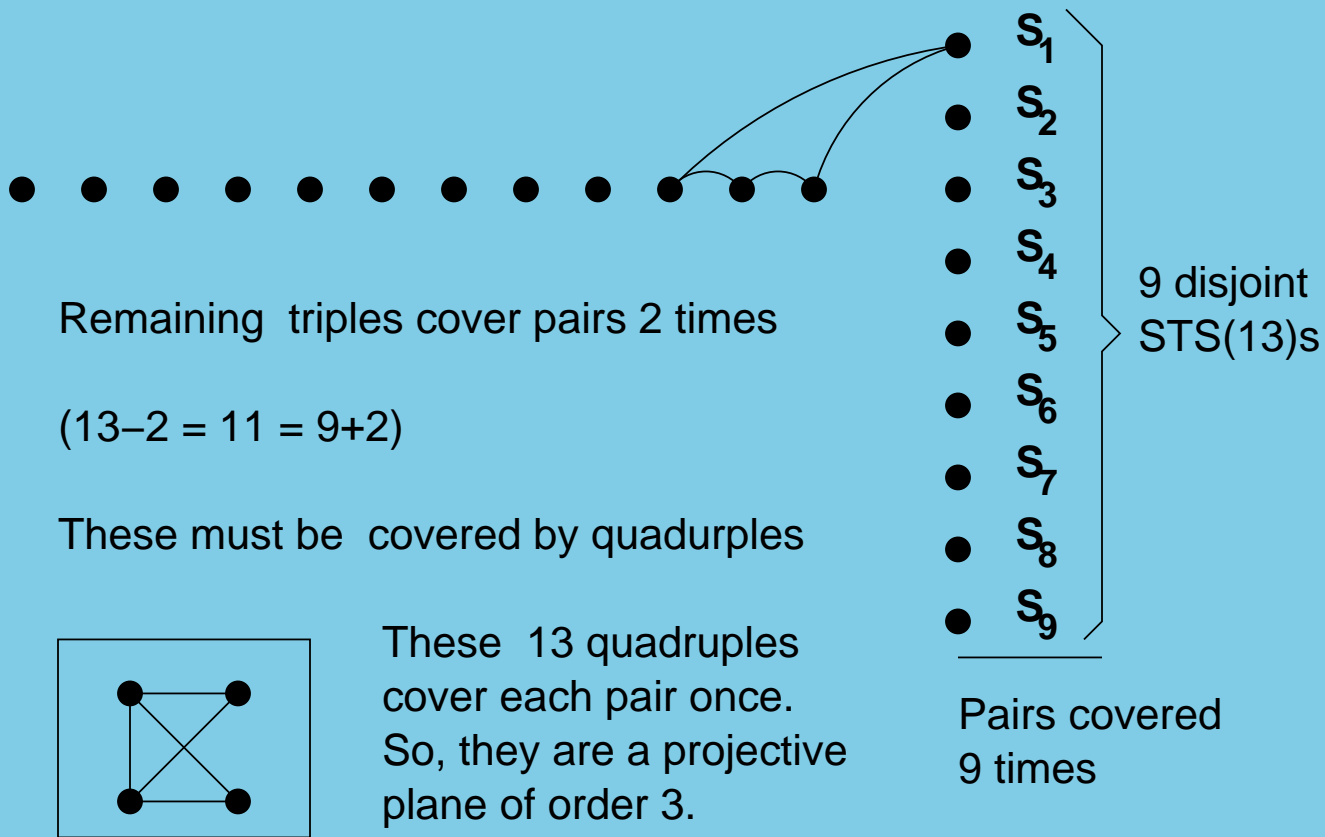
Results on Transverse SQS $4 \leq v \leq 22$

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4	1^4	Yes	T.1
8	1^8	Yes	T.1
	2^4	Yes	T.1
10	1^{10}	Yes	T.1
	2^5	No	T.1
	$1^4 3^2$	Yes	Computed or T.6
12	3^4	Yes	T.1
	$2^4 4^1$	Yes	Computed
	$1^7 5^1$	No	T.4
14	1^{14}	Yes	T.1
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16	1^{16}	Yes	T.1
	2^8	Yes	T.1
	$1^{13}3^1$	Yes	Computed
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	1^73^3	Yes	Computed
	1^43^4	Yes	Computed
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	1^97^1	Yes	T.4
18	3^6	Yes	T.1
	2^74^1	Yes	Computed
	2^14^4	Yes	Computed
	$1^{13}5^1$?	?

20	1^{20}	Yes	T.1
	$1^{13}7^1$?	?
	2^{10}	Yes	T.1
	4^5	Yes	T.1
	5^4	Yes	T.1
	2^46^2	Yes	Computed or T.6
	2^68^1	Yes	T.4
	2^76^1	?	?
	3^55^1	?	?
22	1^{22}	Yes	T.1
	$1^63^37^1$?	?
	$1^{10}3^4$	Yes	T.5
	$1^{12}3^17^1$?	?
	$1^{13}9^1$?	?
	$1^{16}3^2$	Yes	T.7
	1^43^6	Yes	Computed
	1^87^2	Yes	Computed or T.6
	2^{11}	Yes	T.1
	2^78^1	Yes	Computed
	3^57^1	?	?
4^46^1	Yes	Computed	

An interesting side problem: $1^{13}9^1$



Can the non-collinear triples of a projective plane of order 3 be partitioned into disjoint Steiner Triple systems?

Exit Kimberly, enter Melissa

Melissa Keranen's goal: Investigate transverse SQSof type $g^t u^1$.

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Theorem: (M.S. Keranen) *There are transverse SQSof type 2^k , 2^{k+1} and $2^k 4^1$ for all $k \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$.*

Corollary: (M.S. Keranen) *There is Transverse SQSof type $(2n)^k u^1$ for all $u \leq 4n$, $k \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \cdots p_r^{e_r}$, when $p_i^{e_i} \geq k$ is a prime power.*

Specialize to $t = 4$, i.e. g^4, u^1

Theorem: (M.S. Keranen)

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