



# *Optimal Graph Traversals*

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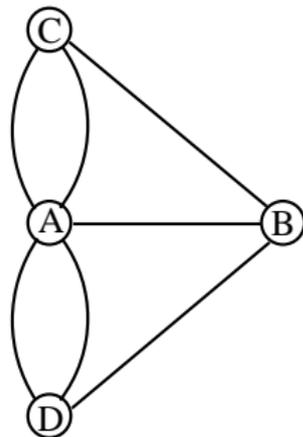
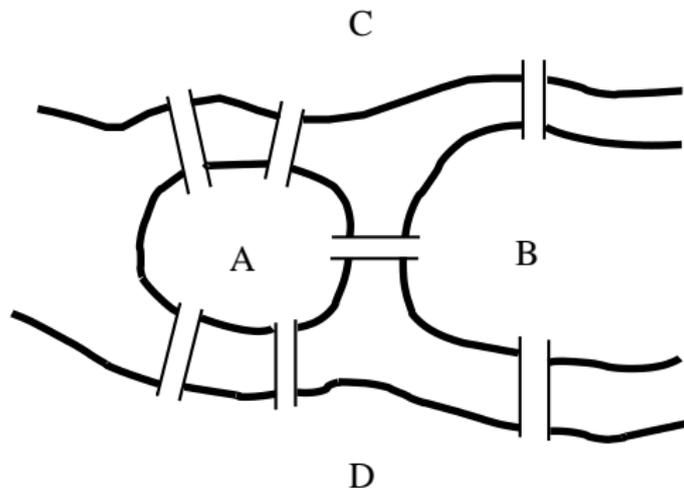
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## Eulerian Trails and Tours

Problem of 7 bridges in Kaliningrad – Königsberg  
Leonhard Euler – 1736



### Definition

An **Eulerian walk**  $s(u, v)$  in a connected graph  $G = (V, H)$  is a walk that contains every edge of that graph.

An **Eulerian tour** is a closed Eulerian trail.

An **Eulerian graph** is a graph that contains an Eulerian tour.

### Remark

A trail is a special case of a walk, therefore the above definition fully specifies an **Eulerian trail** in graph  $G$  as a trail that contains every edge of that graph.

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An Eulerian trail  $t(u, v)$  contains every edge of graph  $G$  exactly once therefore the sequence of vertices and edges of that trail represents a way how to draw the diagram of  $G$  by one pencil stroke.

### Theorem

**(Euler, 1736.)** A connected graf  $G = (V, H)$  is Eulerian if and only if it has all vertices of even degree.

A connected graf  $G = (V, H)$  has an open Eulerian tour if and only if it has exactly two vertices of odd degree.

PROOF.

- 1 If there exists a closed Eulerian tour  $\mathcal{T}$  in graph  $G$  then the the degree of every vertex  $i$  is even since the number of edges of  $\mathcal{T}$  incomming into  $i$  is equal to the number of edges outgoing from  $i$ .
- 2 Constructing an Eulerian tour in a connected graph is described by the following Algorithm:



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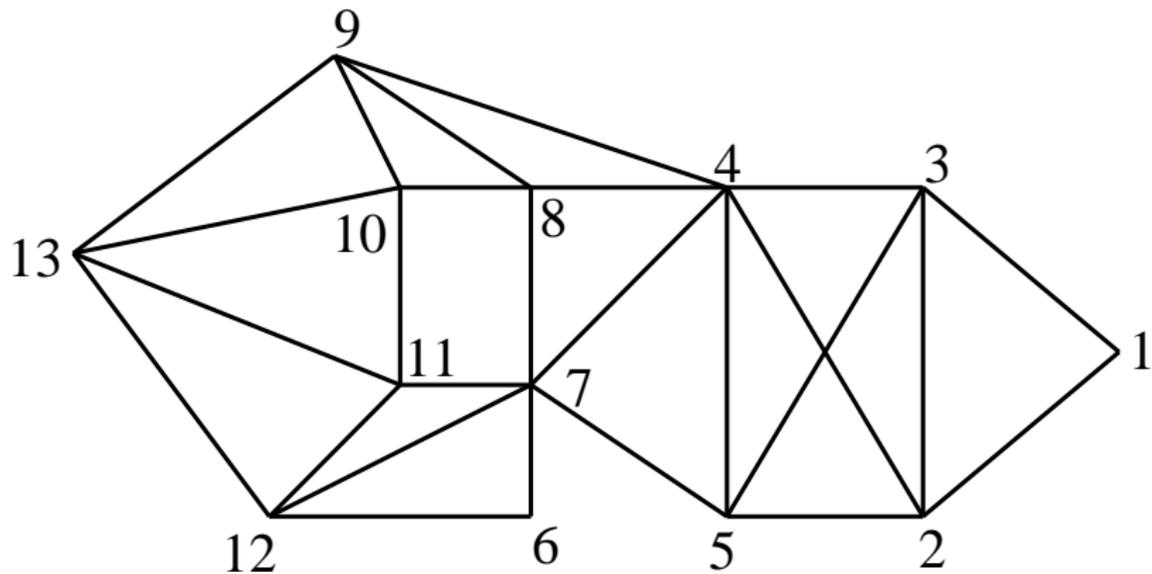
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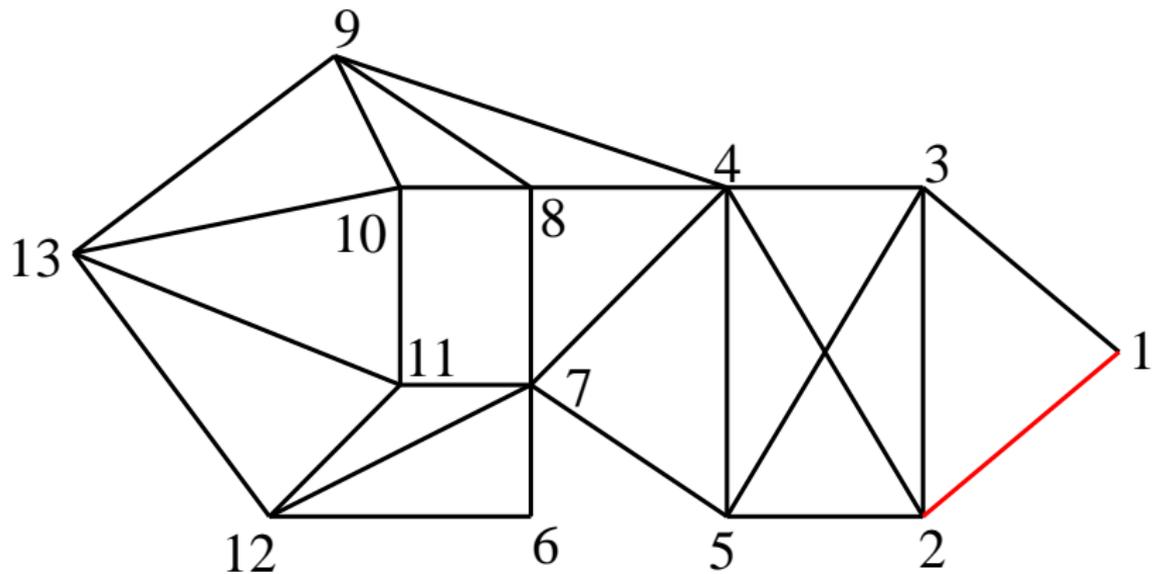
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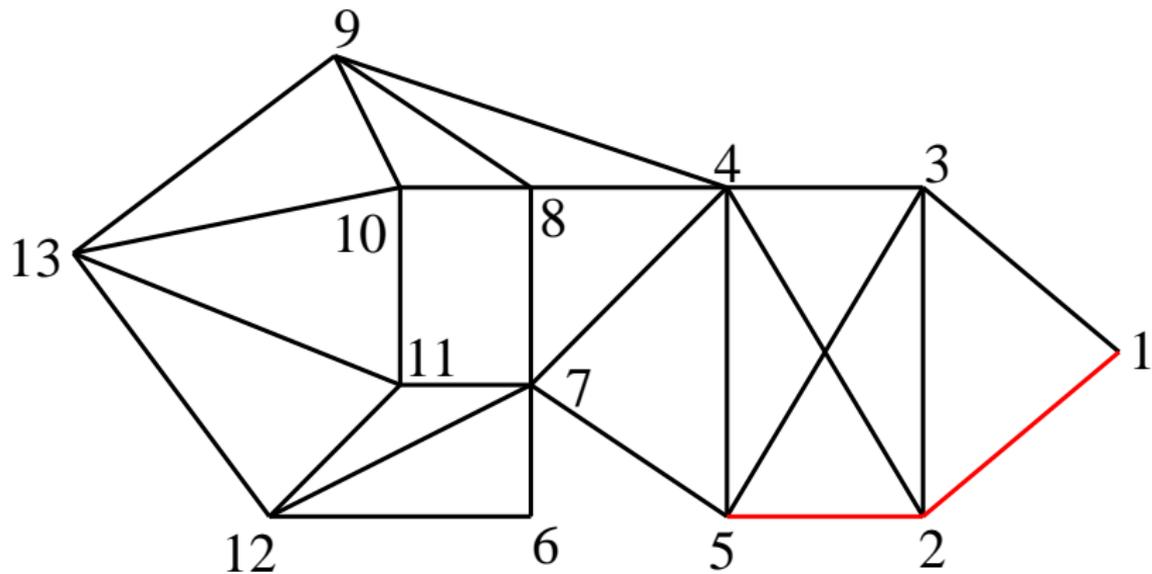
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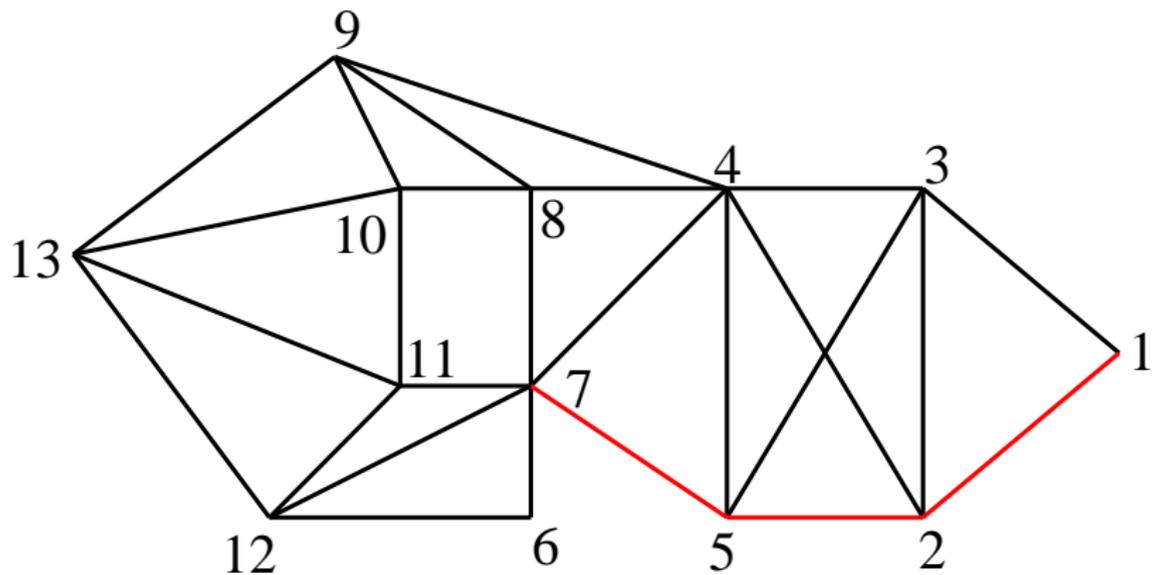
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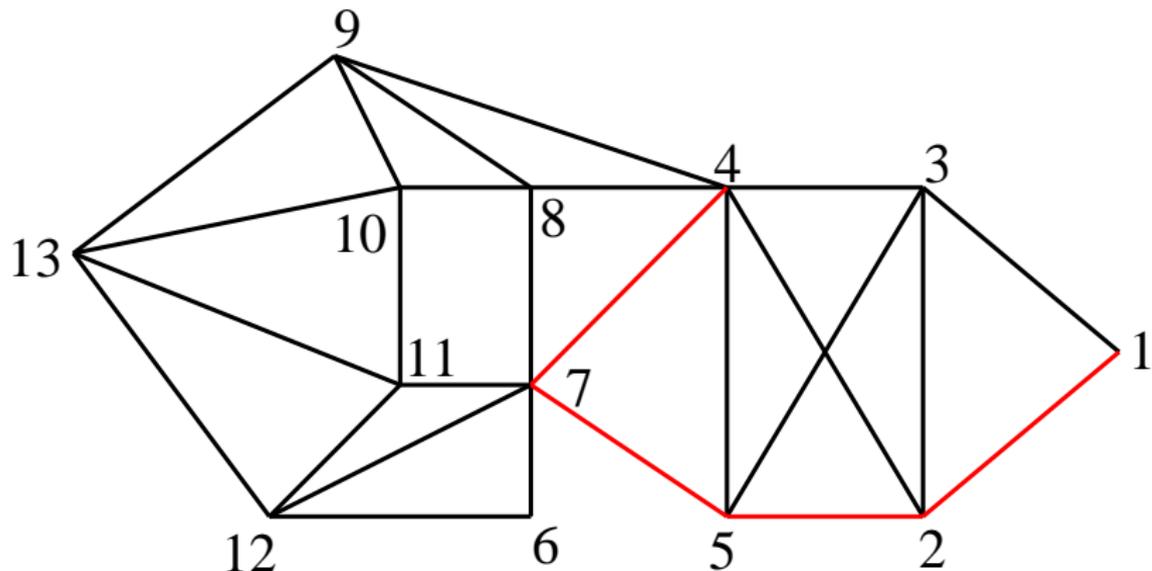
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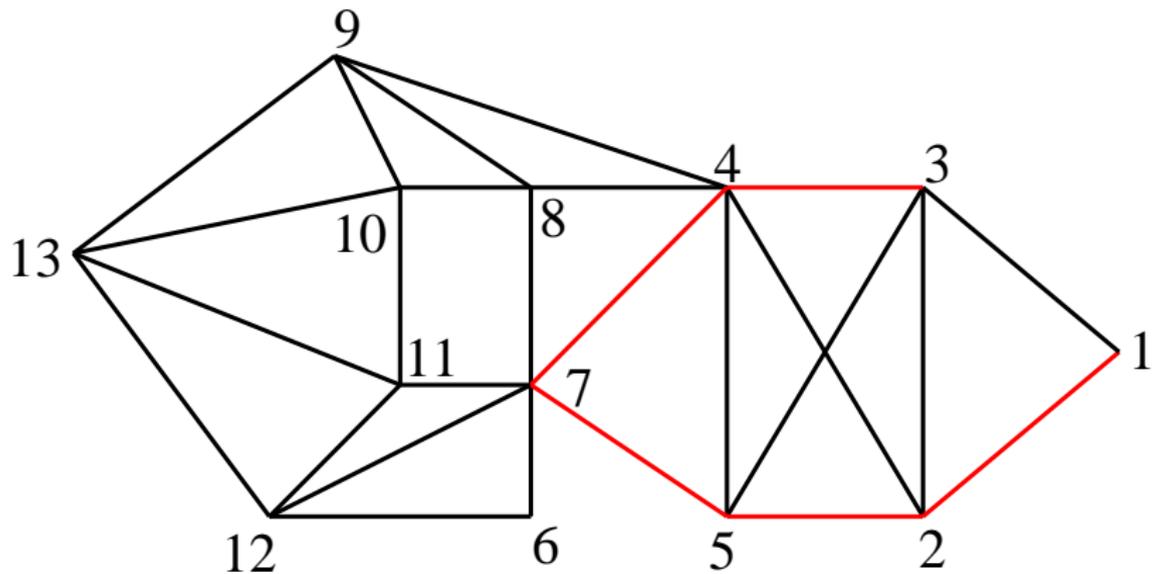
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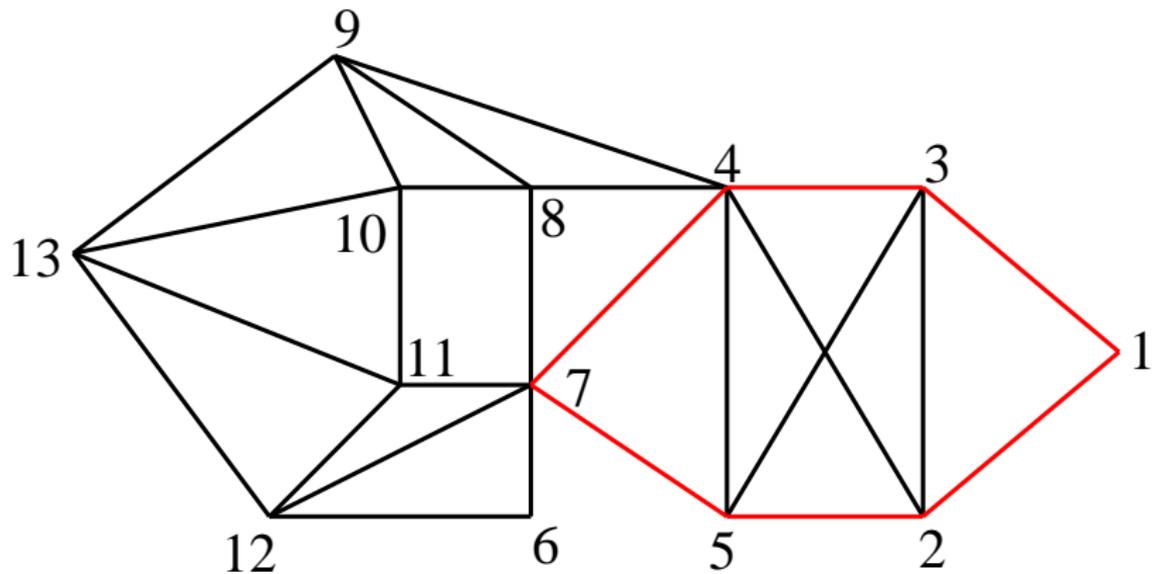
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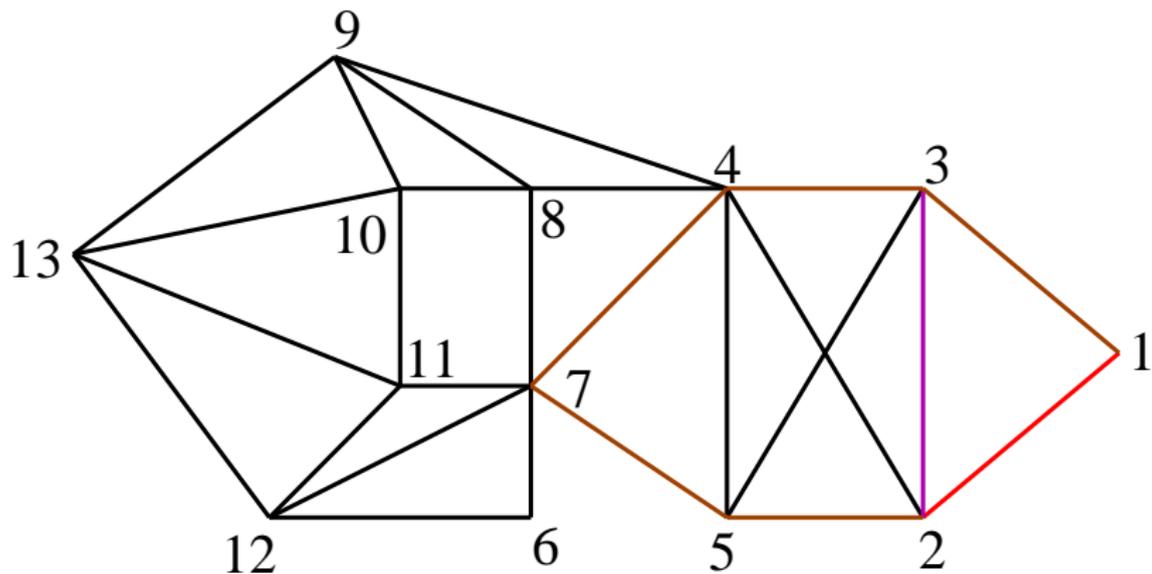


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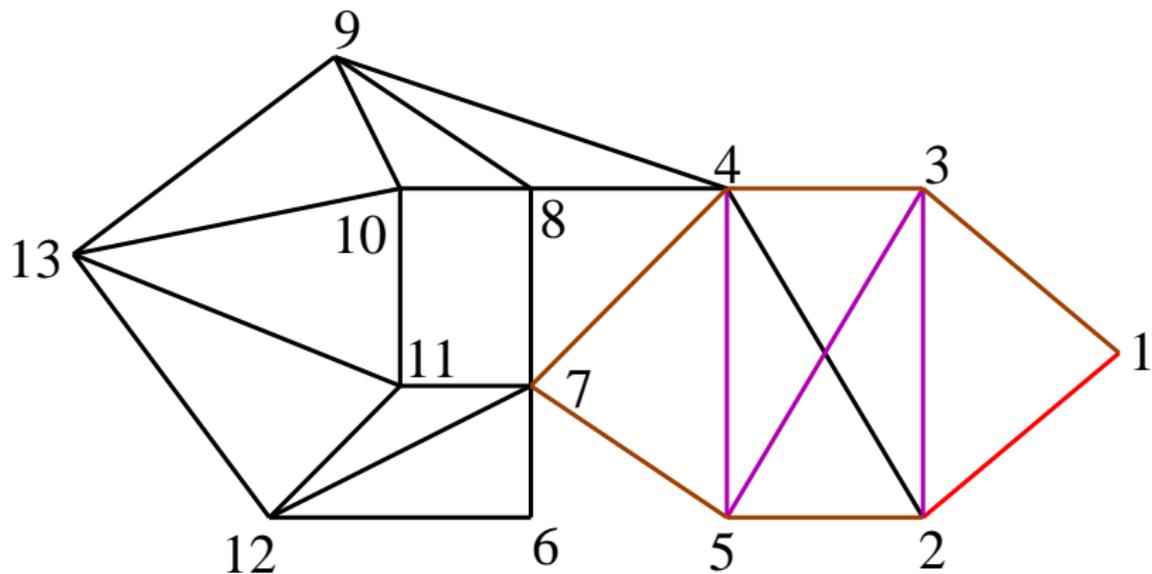
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$$\mathcal{S} = (2, 3)$$



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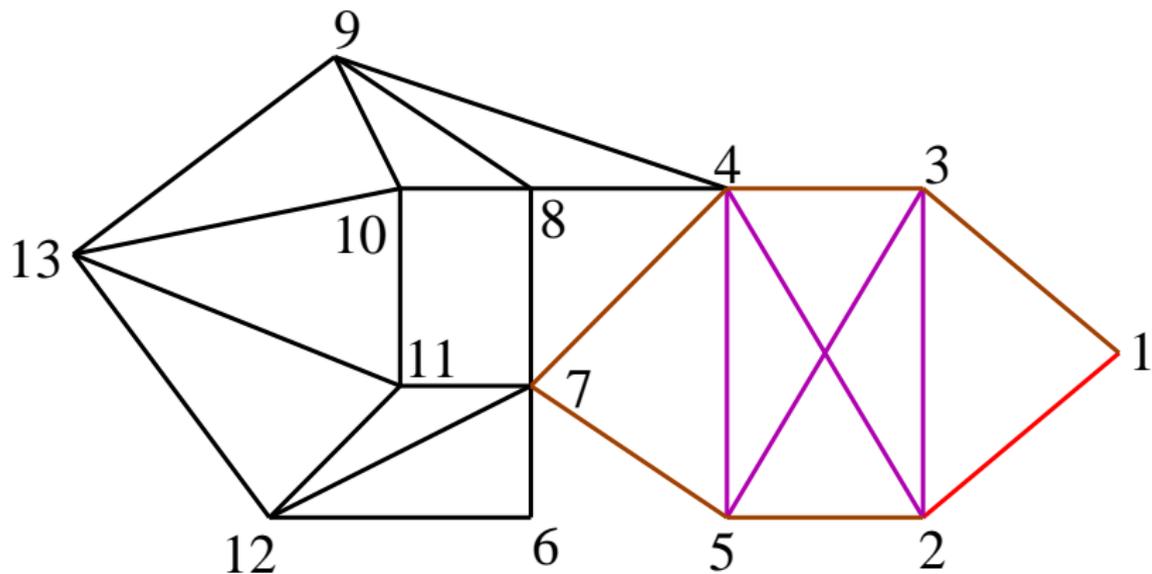


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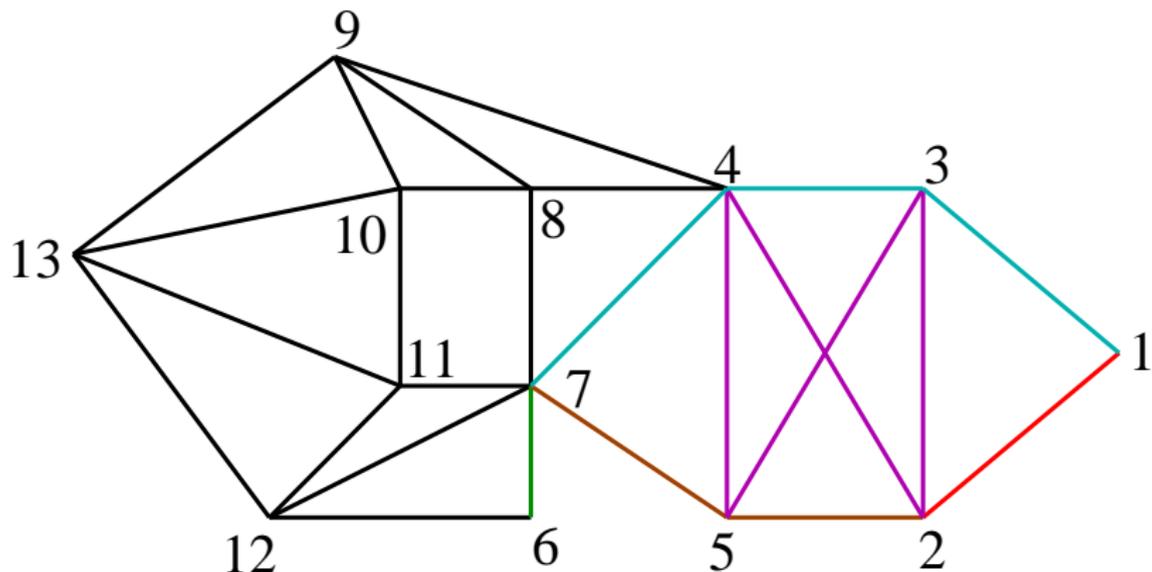


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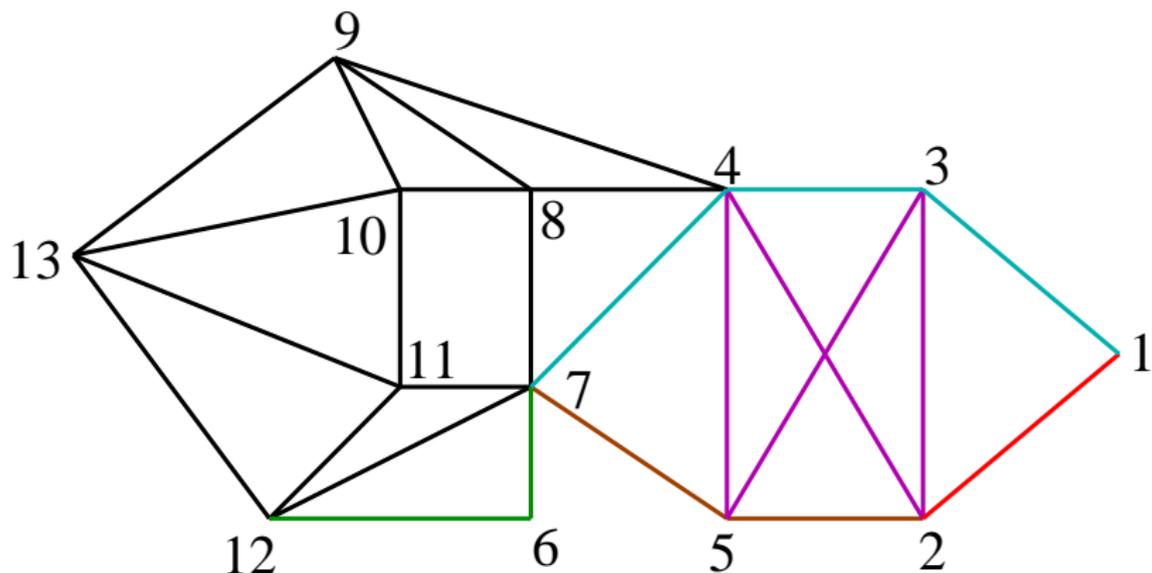


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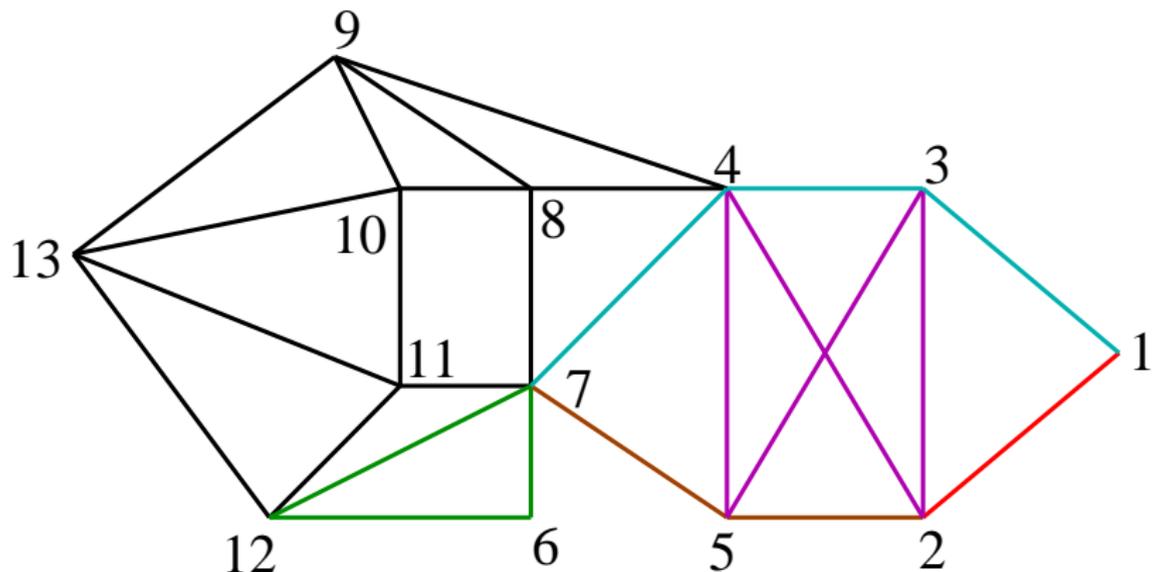


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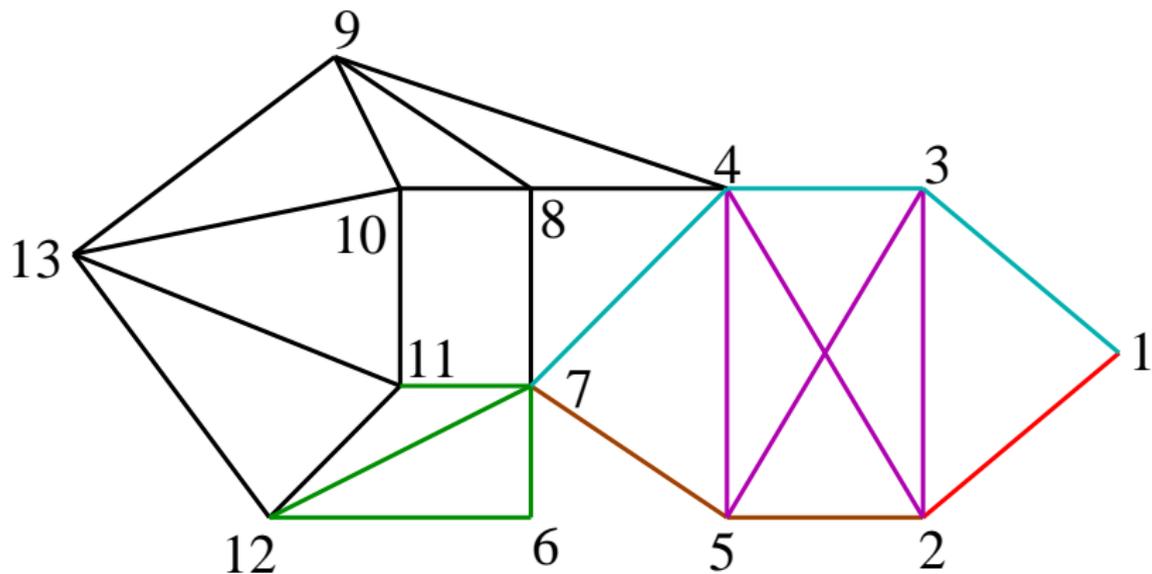


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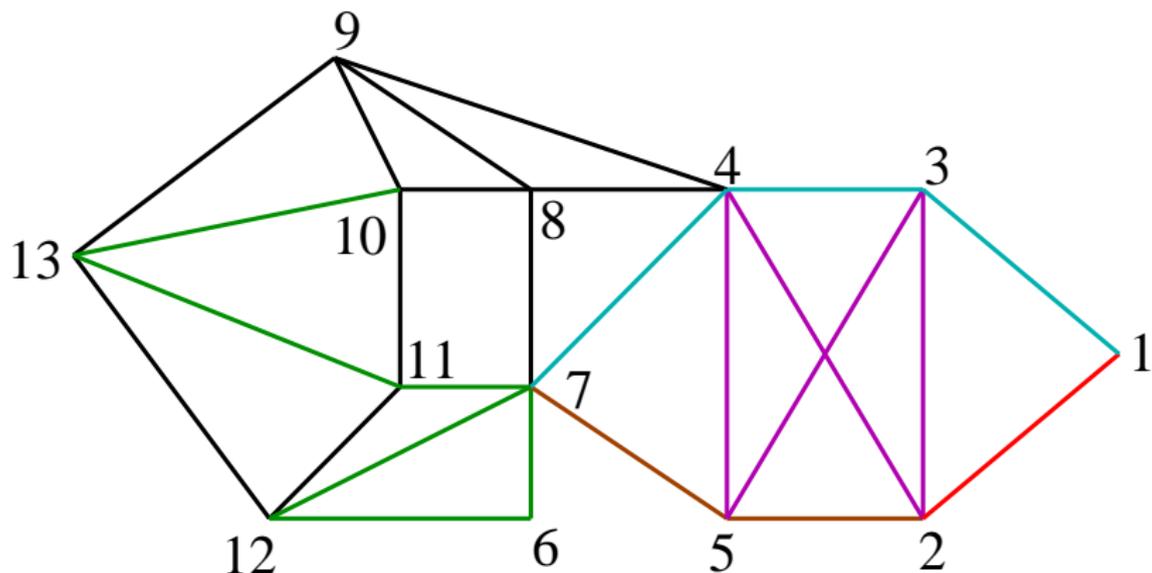
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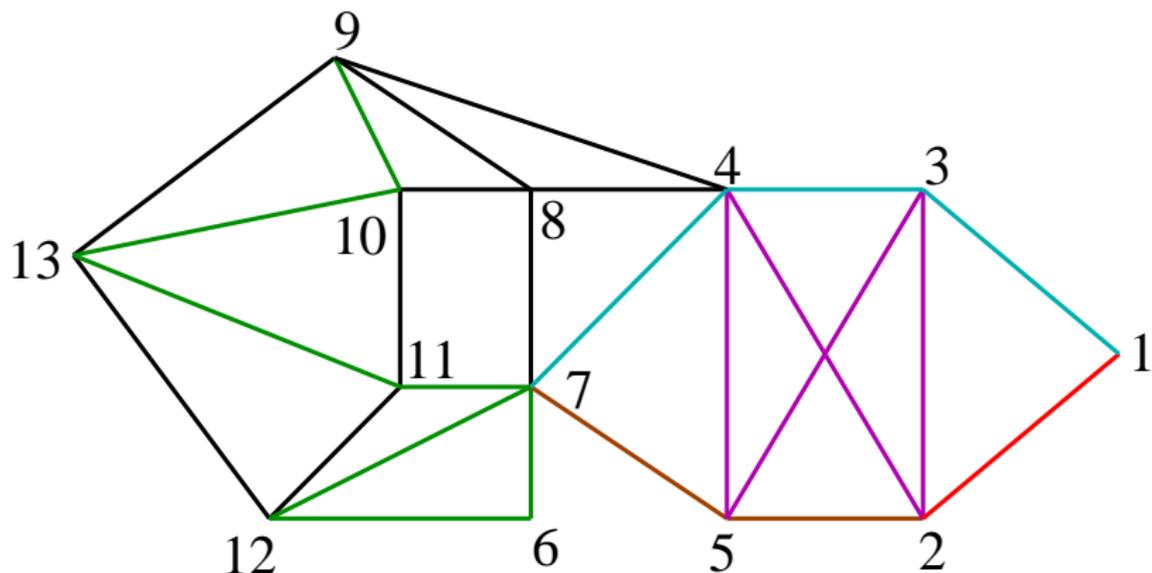


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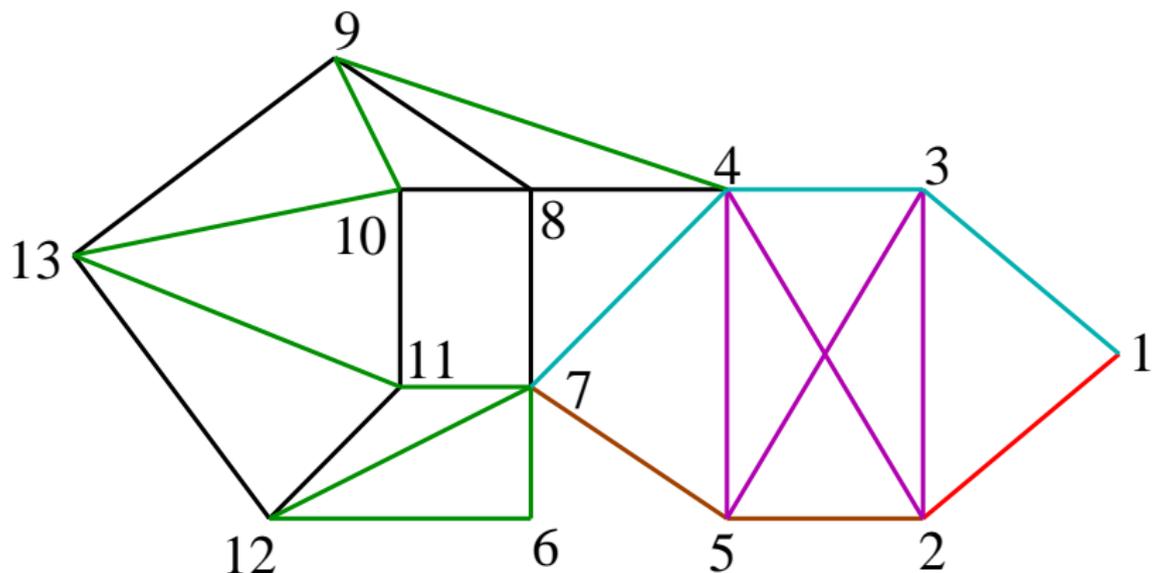


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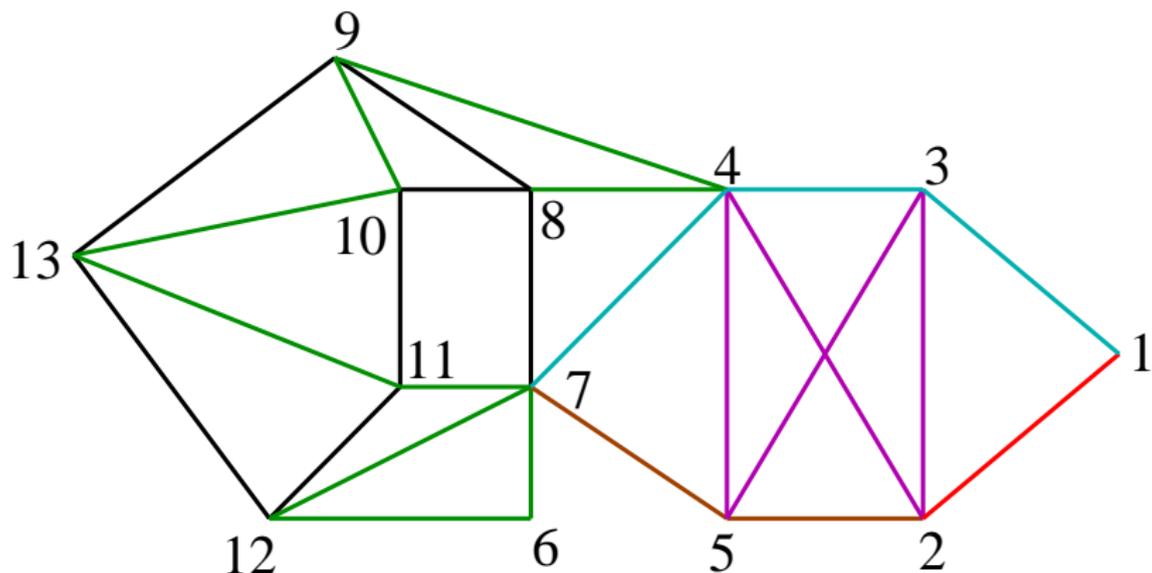


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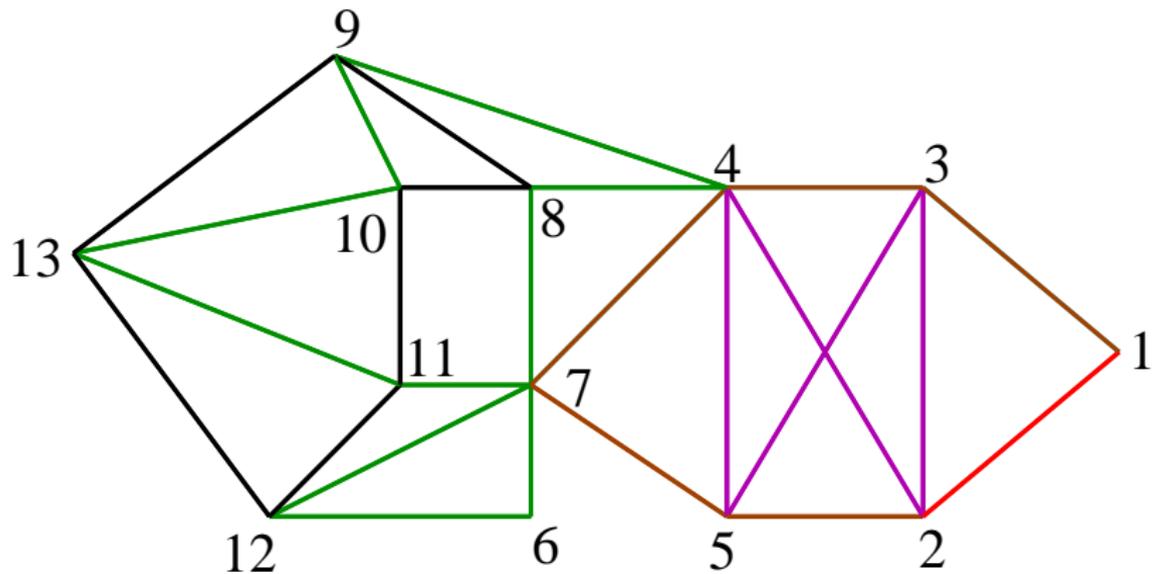


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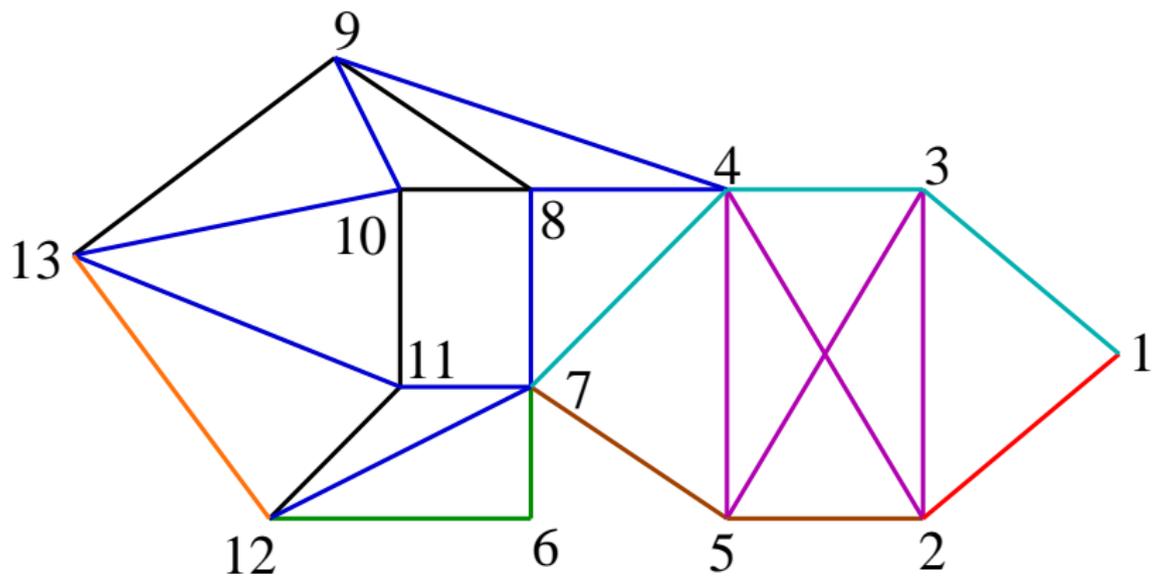


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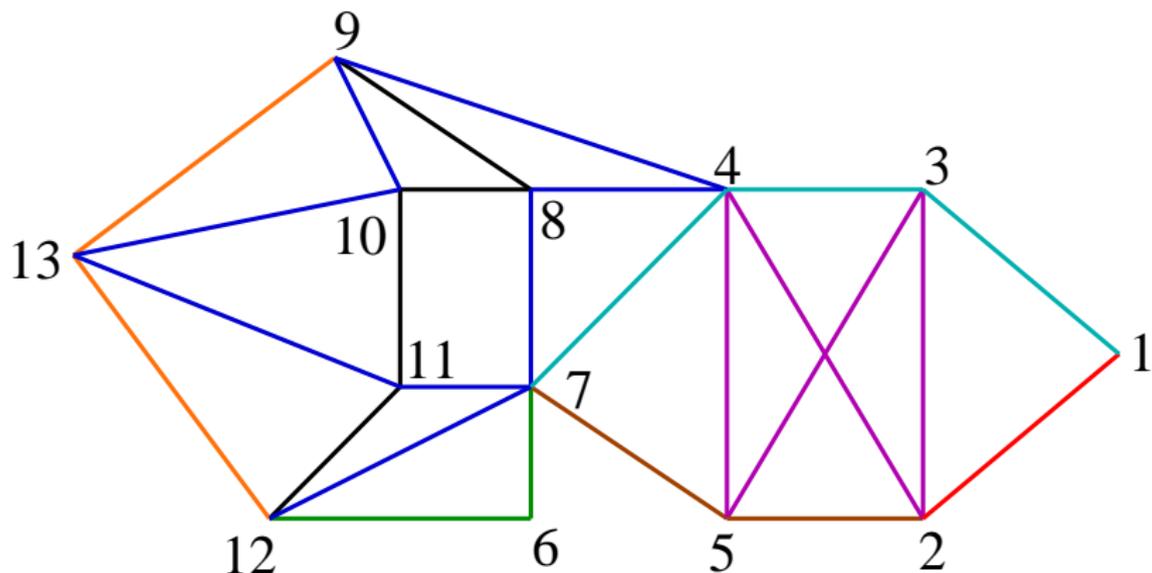


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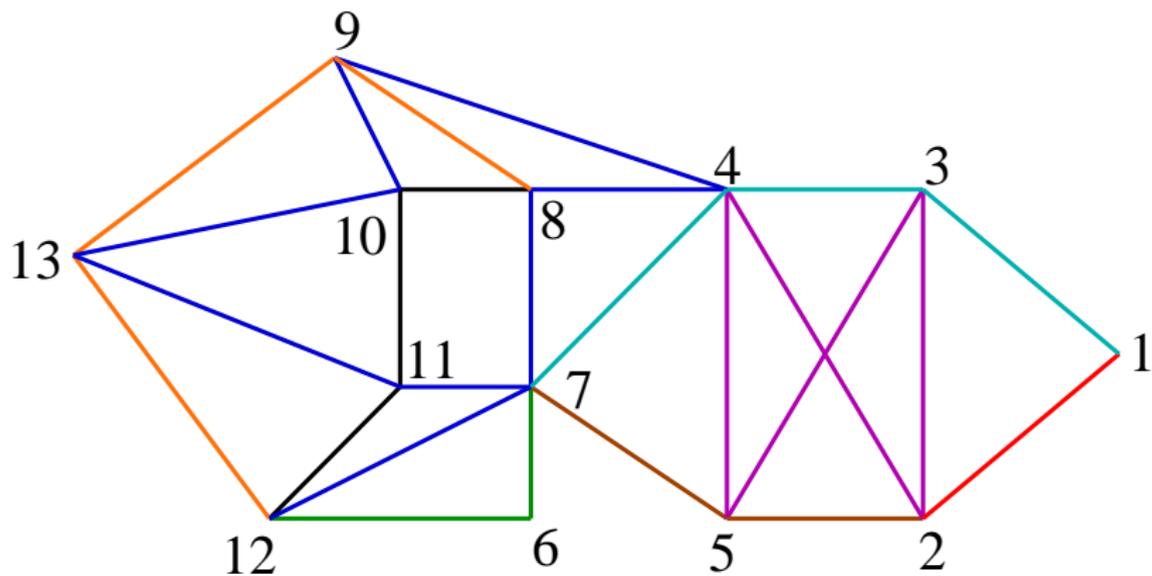


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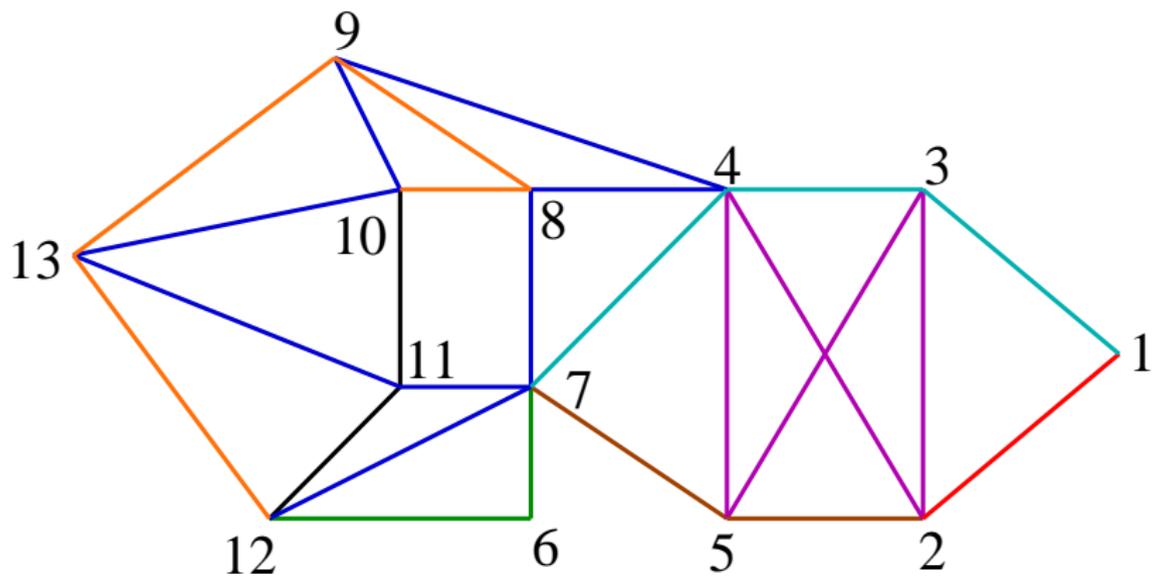


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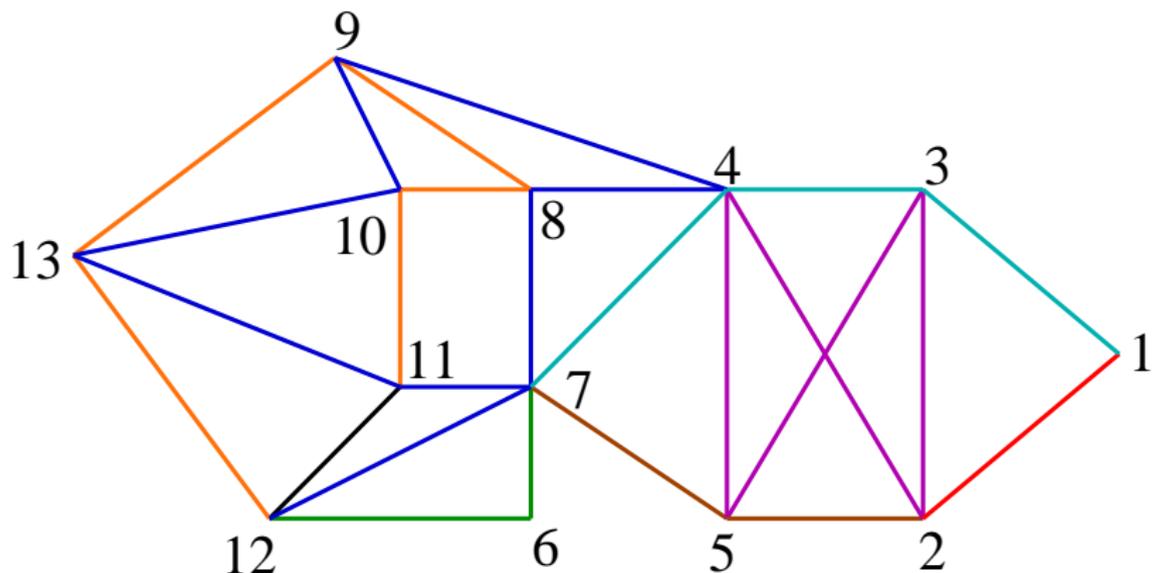


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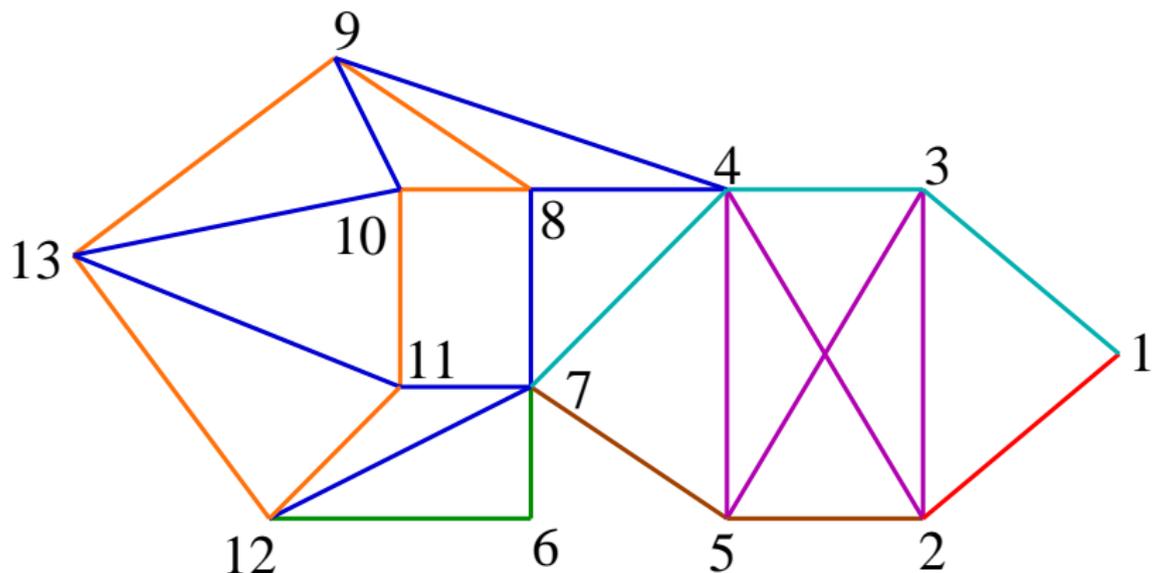


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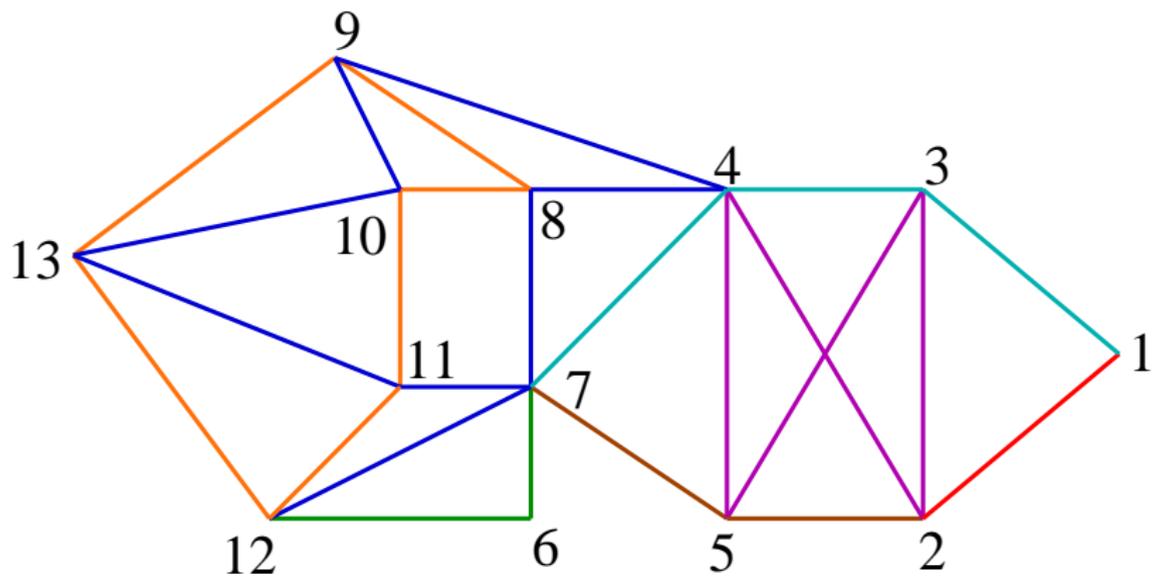


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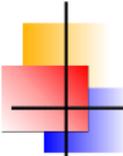
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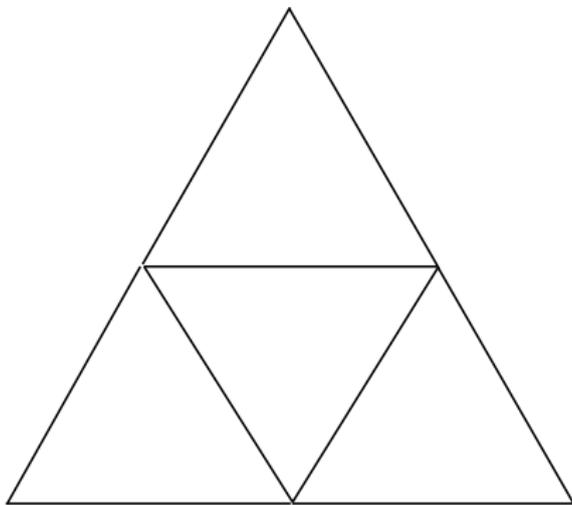


## *Fleury's Algorithm*

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### *Remark*

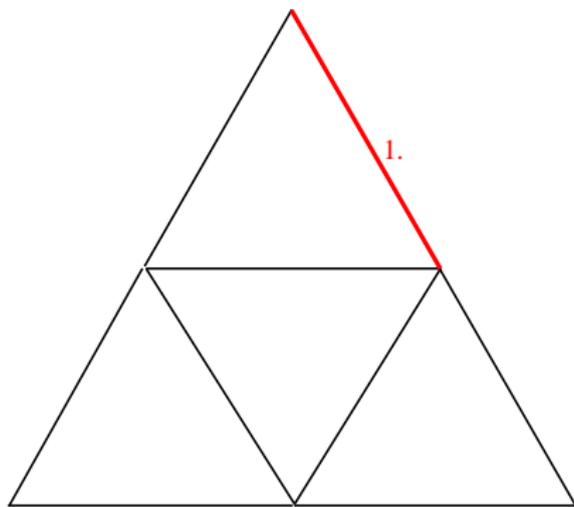
*The idea is „ **don't burn bridges**“ so that we can come back to a starting vertex and traverse remaining edges.*



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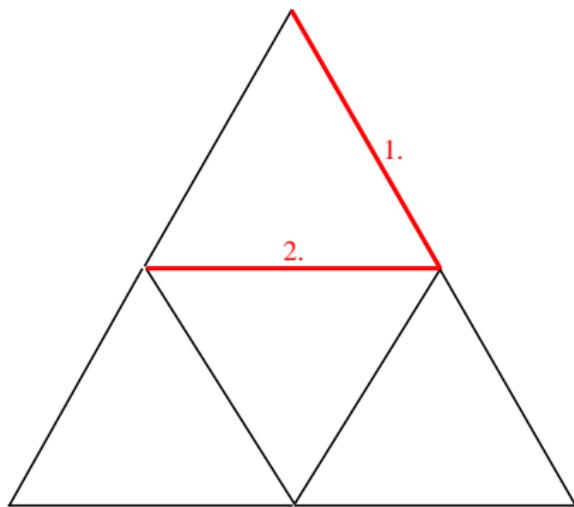
*An exact algorithm for this checking should be designed for computer implementation of Fleury's algorithm.*



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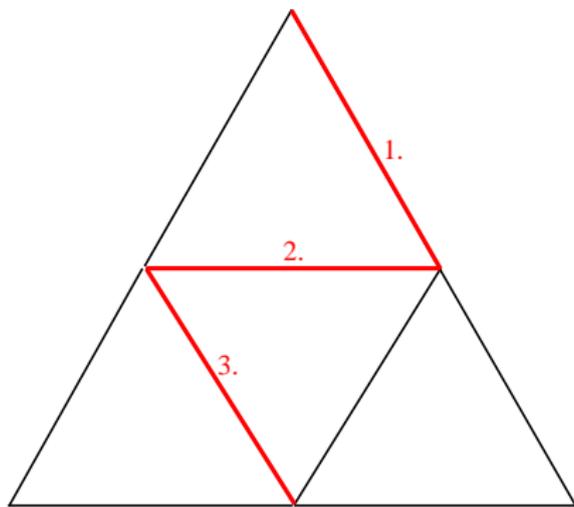
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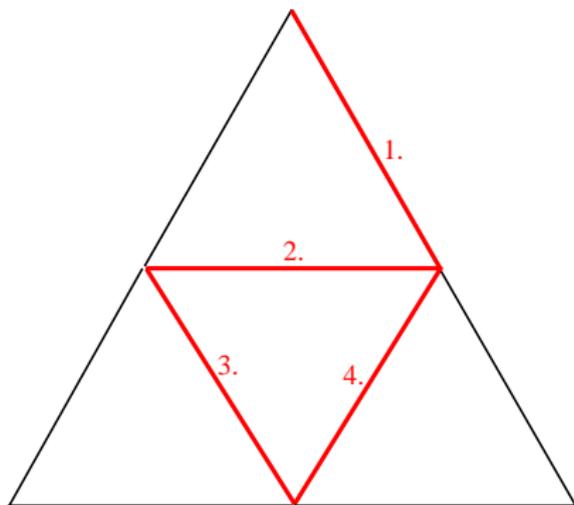


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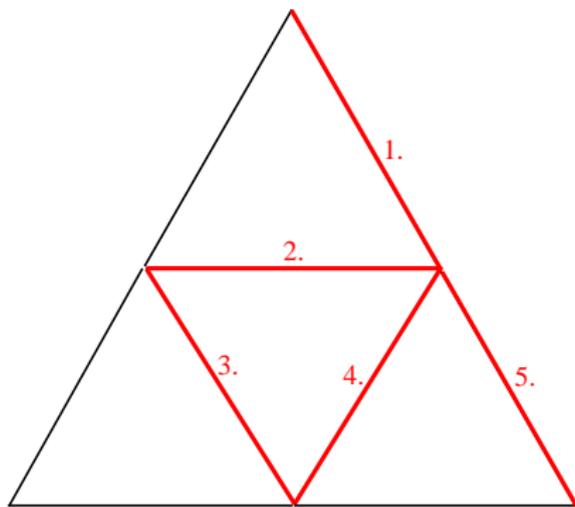


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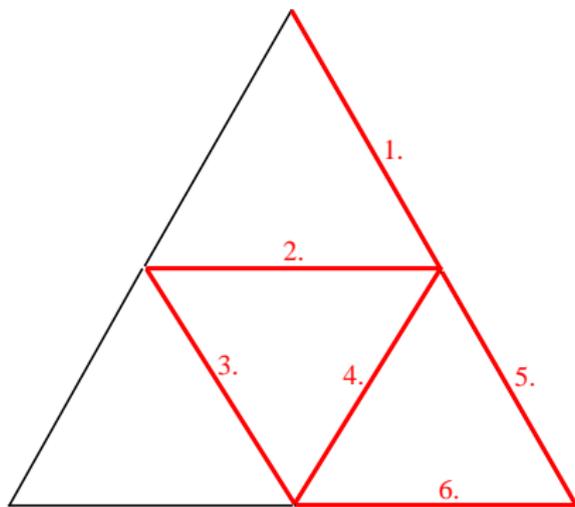


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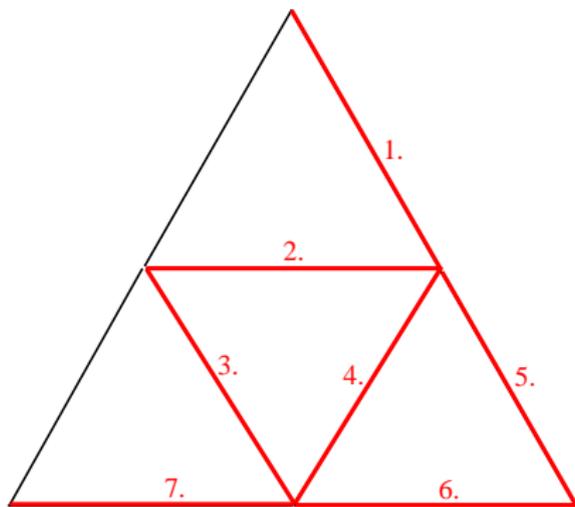


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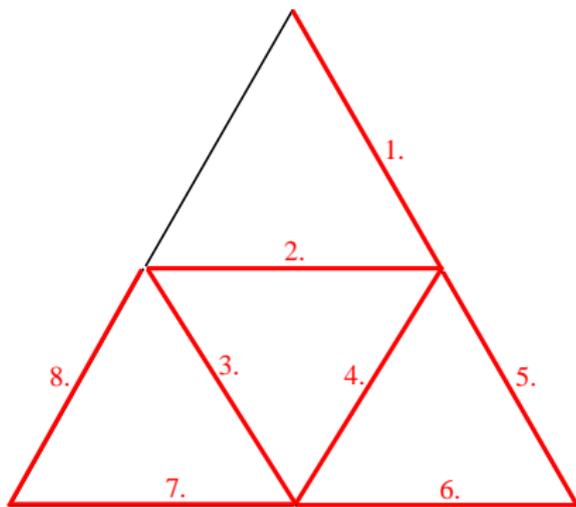


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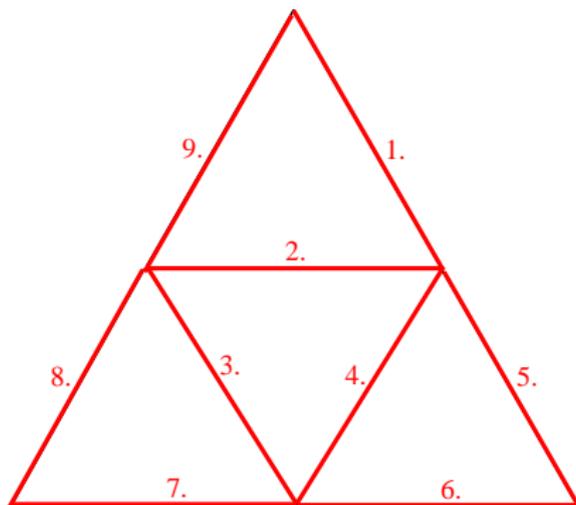


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**Labyrinth Algorithm to find an Eulerian tour in a connected graph  $G = (V, H)$  with all vertices of even degree.**

- **Step 1.** Start at arbitrary vertex  $u \in V$ , set  $S = \{(s)\}$ .  
Walk  $S$  at the beginning consists from single vertex  $s$ .  
Let vertex  $w$  be the last vertex of the walk  $S$ .

### I Algorithm ( – continuation)

#### ● Step 2.

Let vertex  $w$  be the last vertex of the walk  $S$ .

Choose a next edge  $\{w, v\}$  fulfilling rules L1, L2 and insert it into walk  $S$ . Mark the direction of edge  $\{w, v\}$  in  $S$ .

If the vertex  $v$  was not used in  $S$  denote the edge  $\{w, v\}$  as the first access edge - FAE.

Moreover, create so called **backward sequence** – order of edges in which they appear in the walk  $S$  for the second time.

Rules when picking subsequent edge:

**(L1):** Every edge can be used in one direction only once.

**(L2):** Precedence of edges:

– till now not used edges

– edges used once

– first access edge (only if there is no other possibility)

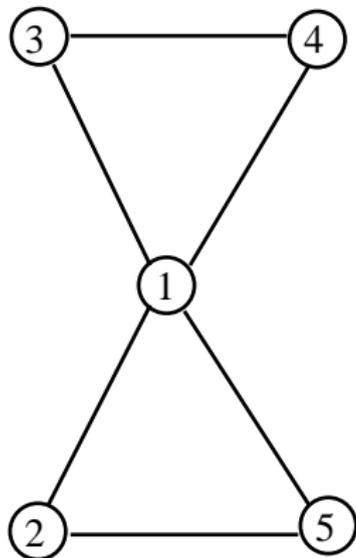


### Algorithm ( – continuation)

- **Step 3.** *If all edges are used in  $S$  – STOP.  
Backward sequence defines searched Eulerian tour.*
- **Step 4.** *Otherwise set  $w := v$ .  
Vertex  $w$  is last vertex of actual walk  $S$   
GOTO Step 2.*

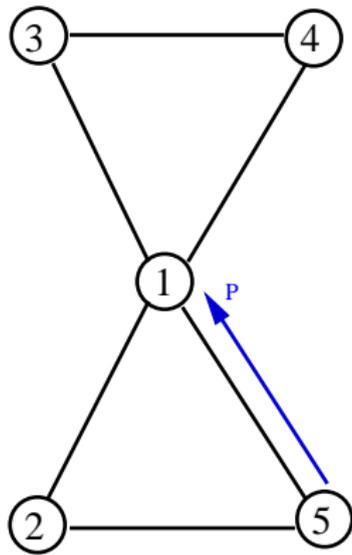
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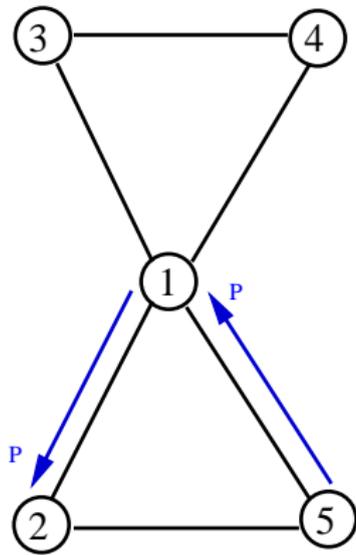
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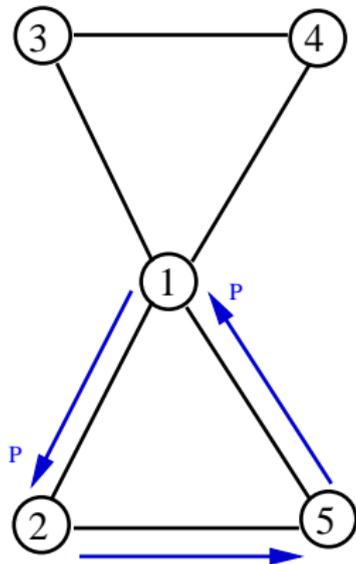
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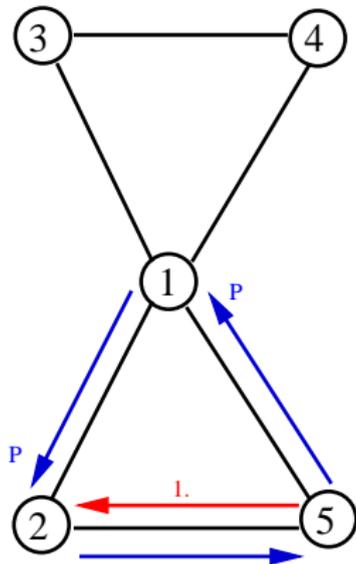
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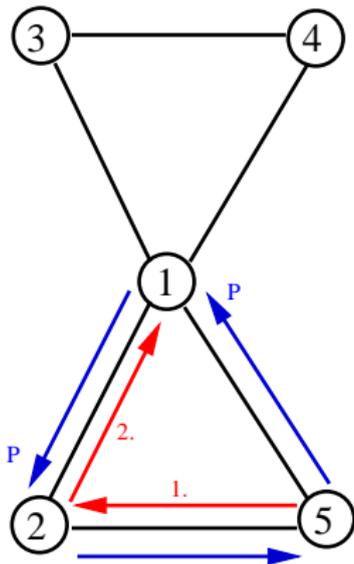
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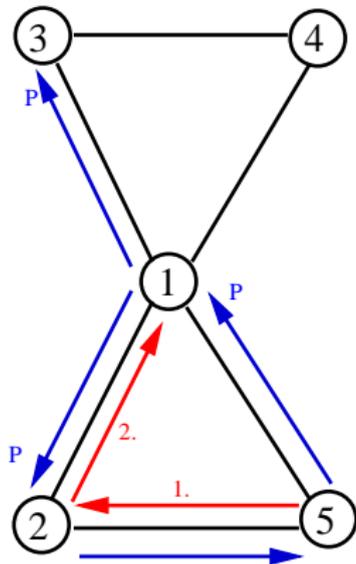
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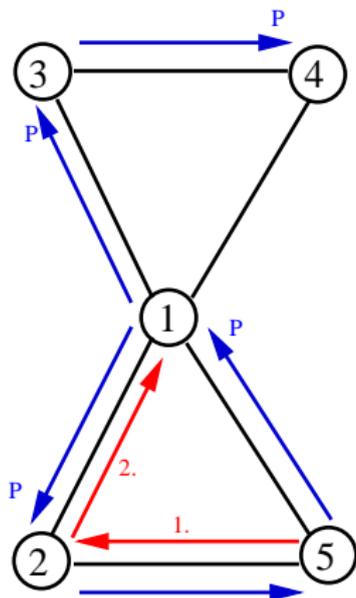
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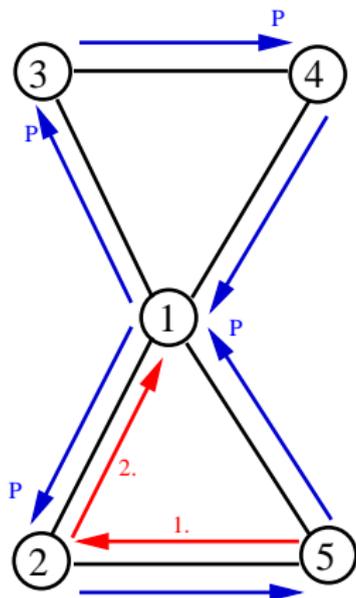
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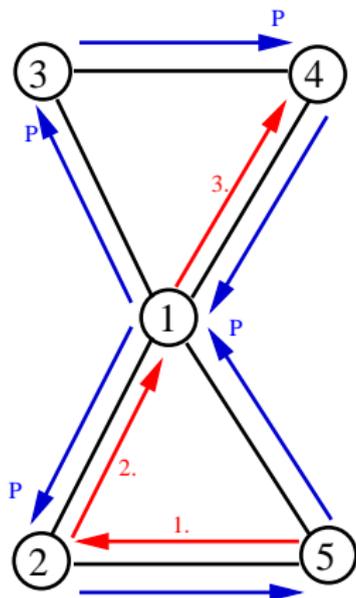
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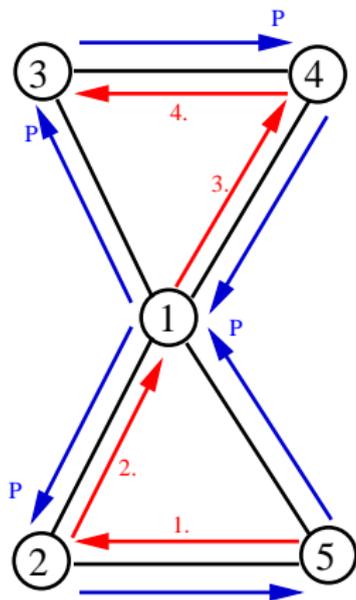
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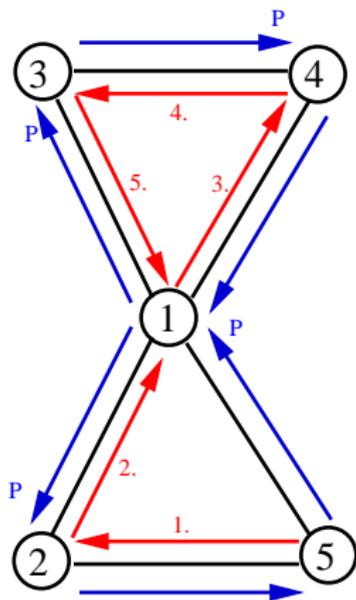
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# Chinese Postman Problem

### **Verbal formulation of the chinese postman problem:**

Postman shall go out from his post-office, to go along all streets of his district and return to the post office in such a way that his travelled distance is minimal.

### **Matemathematical formulation of Chinese Postman Problem.**

To find the shortest Eulerian walk in a connected edge weighted graph.

### Remark

- *Model of street network of a postman – a connected edge weighted graph  $G = (V, H, c)$ .*
- *If all vertices of graf  $G$  are of even degree then it would suffice to find an Eulerian tour in  $G$ .*
- *If there are vertices of odd degree in  $G$  then their number is  $2t$  (even number).*
- *We can make an Eulerian (multi)graph  $\overline{G}$  from  $G$  by adding fictive edges of the type  $\{\text{odd}, \text{odd}\}$ . The weight of every such edge will be set to the distance of corresponding vertices in original graph  $G$ .*
- *An Eulerian tour in graph  $\overline{G}$  represents a route of a postman. Fictive edges represent shortest paths between their endpoints – postman will traverse these paths idly – without delivering mail.*
- **The less total sum of wieghts of added fictive edges the better solution.**

### Definition

Let  $G = (V, H, c)$  be an edge weighted graph.

**A matching in a graph  $G$**  is a subgraph  $P$  of  $G$  with all vertices of degree 1.

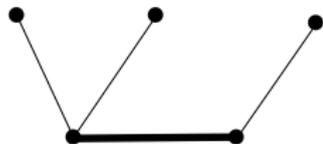
**The cost of a matching  $P$**  is the total weight of it's edges.

A matching  $P$  in a graph  $G$  is a **maximum matching in  $G$**  if there does not exist another matching  $\bar{P}$  in  $G$  such that  $P \subset \bar{P}$  and  $P \neq \bar{P}$ .

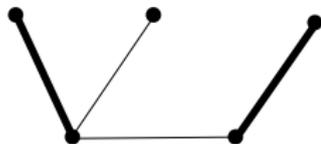
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**A perfect matching  $P$  in a graph  $G$**  is a matching that is a spanning subgraph of  $G$  ( $P$  contains all vertices of  $G$ ).

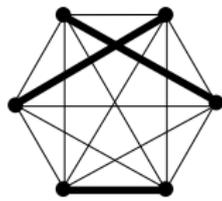
## Matchings



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b)



c)

- a) Maximal matching which is neither most numerous nor perfect.
- b) Most numerous matching that is not perfect.
- c) Perfect matching in  $K_6$ .

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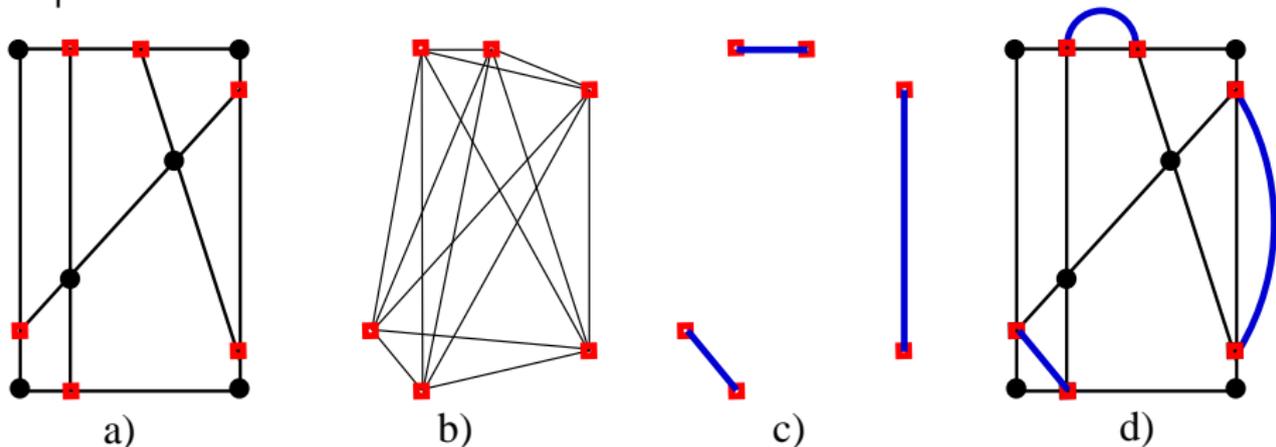
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# Edmonds's Algorithm



Operation of Edmonds's Algorithm.

- a) original graph, vertices of odd degree are illustrated by little squares.
- b) Complete graph  $K_{2t}$  constructed according to the Step 1. of algorithm
- c) Perfect matching in  $v K_{2t}$  with minimal cost.
- d) Multigraph  $\bar{G}$  created according to the Step 3. of algorithm where the existence of Eulerian tour is guaranteed.



## *Hamiltonian walk, Hamiltonian cycle*

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### *Definition*

**A Hamiltonian walk** in graph  $G$  is a walk in  $G$  that contains all vertices of graph  $G$ .

### *Remark*

The last definition specifies also Hamiltonian path and Hamiltonian cycle since they both are special case of Hamiltonian walk.

### *Definition*

**A Hamiltonian graph** is a graph that contains a Hamiltonian cycle.



## *Hamiltonian walk, Hamiltonian cycle*

There does not exist a simple criterion for determining that a graph  $G$  is a Hamiltonian graph.

We have several rough sufficient conditions as:

### *Theorem*

Let  $G = (V, H)$  be a graph with at least 3 vertices. Let

$$\deg(u) + \deg(v) \geq |V|$$

holds for every two non adjacent vertices  $u, v$ .

Then  $G$  is a Hamiltonian graph.

### *Theorem*

Let  $G = (V, H)$  be a graph with at least 3 vertices. Let

$$\deg(v) \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot |V|$$

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# Travelling Salesman Problem - TSP

### Verbal definition of TSP is:

**Travelling salesman shall visit all his customers and return home in such a way that his travelled distance is minimal.**

### Mathematical formulaton of TSP

If the salesman is allowed to visit the same place more times mathematical formulation of TSP is as follows:

**To find the shortest closed Hamiltonian walk in a connected edge weighted graph  $G = (V, H, c)$ .**

If visiting of the same place is prohibited we have the following formulation of TSP:

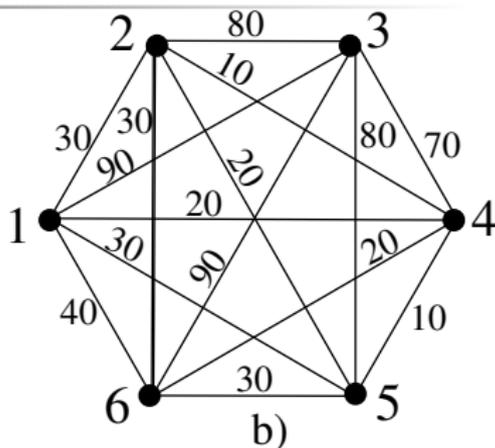
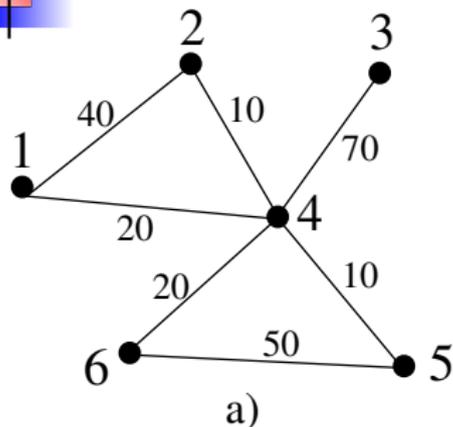
**To find the shortest Hamiltonian cycle in a connected edge weighted graph  $G = (V, H, c)$ .**



### Remark

*In practice there is no reason to prohibit manifold visits of customers. Moreover, in many real world situations a Hamiltonian cycle does not even exist. That is why we will focus our attention to constructing a shortest Hamiltonian walk.*

## Shortest Hamiltonian Walk



There is no Hamiltonian cycle in graph  $G = (V, H, c)$  a).

Since it suffices to find the shortest Hamiltonian walk, we will search for it like a Hamiltonian cycle in complete auxiliary graph  $\bar{G} = (G, E, d)$  (fig. b), whose edge weight of every edge is equal to the distance of its end point in original graph  $G$ .

Triangular inequality holds in complete graph  $\bar{G}$  i. e.:

$\forall u, v, w \in V$   $u, v, w$  it holds:

$$d(u, v) \leq d(u, w) + d(w, v).$$

## Shortest Hamiltonian Cyklus in a Complete Graph with $\Delta$ inequ

Every permutation of vertices defines a Hamiltonian cycle in a complete graph  $\overline{G}$  adn vice versa.

If we fix the first vertices we have  $(n - 1)!$  different Hamiltonian cycles in graph  $\overline{G} = (V, H, C)$  with  $n = |V|$  vertices.

There is no signicantly better way for exact determination of the shortest Hamiltonian cycle as systematic search of all  $(n - 1)!$  permutations.

Computation Time Provided That Search Speed is  $10^9$  permutations/sec.

$n$	$(n - 1)!$	seconds	minutes	days	yars
10	3,6E+05	0,36 ms	-	-	-
15	8,7E+10	87,17	1,45	-	-
20	1,2E+17	1,2E+08	2000000	1400	3,9
25	6,2E+23	6,2E+14	1,0E+13	7,2E+09	2,0E+07
30	8,8E+30	8,8E+21	1,5E+20	1,0E+17	2,8E+14
35	3,0E+38	3,0E+29	4,9E+27	3,4E+24	9,4E+21
40	2,0E+46	2,0E+37	3,4E+35	2,4E+32	6,5E+29
45	2,7E+54	2,7E+45	4,4E+43	3,1E+40	8,4E+37
50	6,1E+62	6,1E+53	1,0E+52	7,0E+48	1,9E+46

## Greedy Algorithm

- Corollary: We have to use algorithms that offer sufficiently good but not surely exact results – heuristics, suboptimal algorithms.

### Algorithm

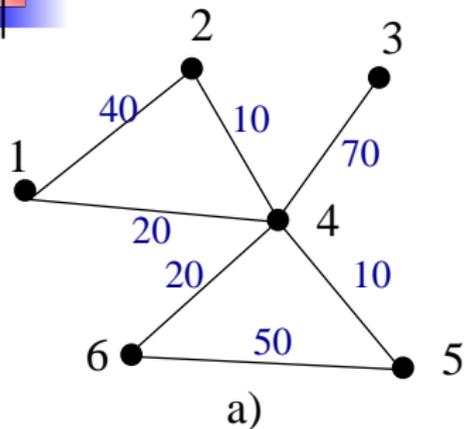
**Greedy Algorithm. Heuristics to find a suboptimal solution of TSP in a complete graph  $G = (V, H, c)$  with triangular inequality and with at least 3 vertices.**

- **Step 1.** *Start at arbitrary vertex and insert the cheapest edge incident with this vertex together with its second endpoint into chosen sequence – (future Hamiltonian cycle).*
- **Step 2.** *If the number of chosen edges is equal to  $n - 1$  then close cycle. STOP*
- **Step 3.** *Otherwise choose the cheapest unchosen edge incident with the last vertex of till now chosen sequence, which is not incident with any other vertex of chosen sequence.*

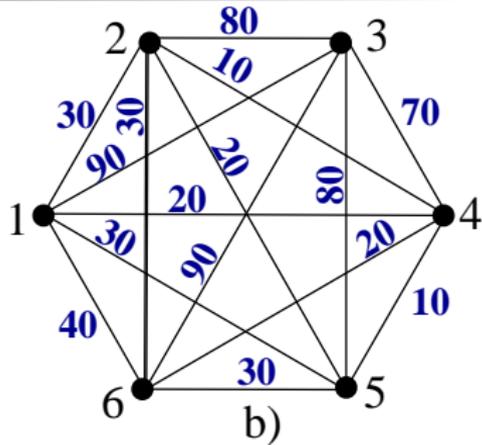
*Insert this edge together with its second endpoint into chosen sequence.*

**GOTO Step 2**

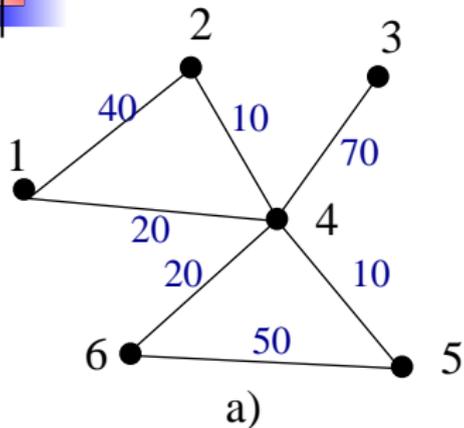
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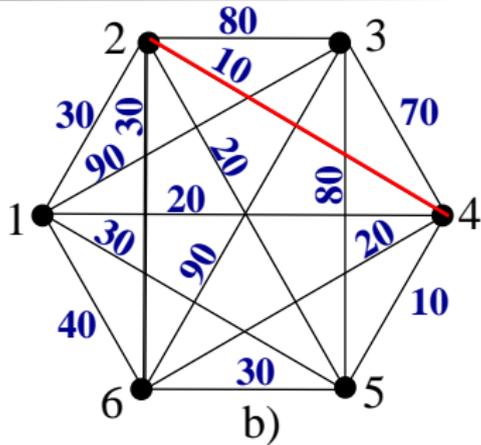
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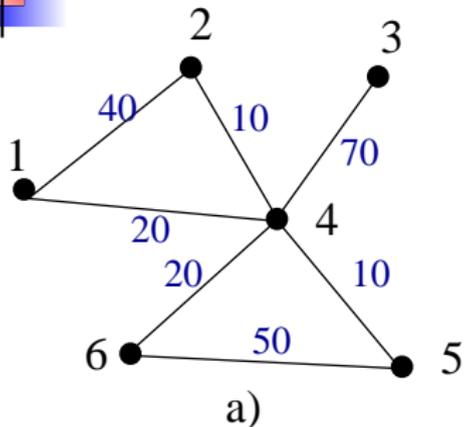
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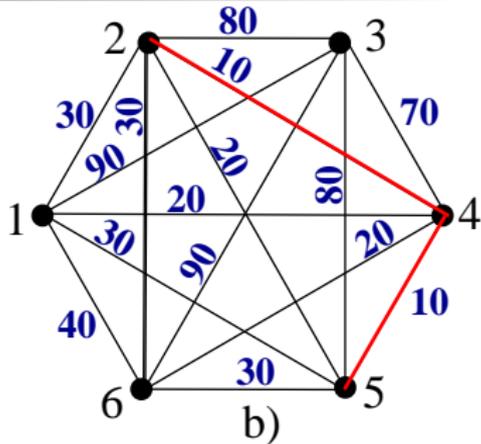
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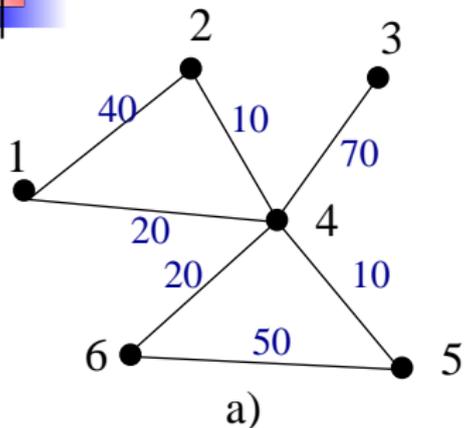
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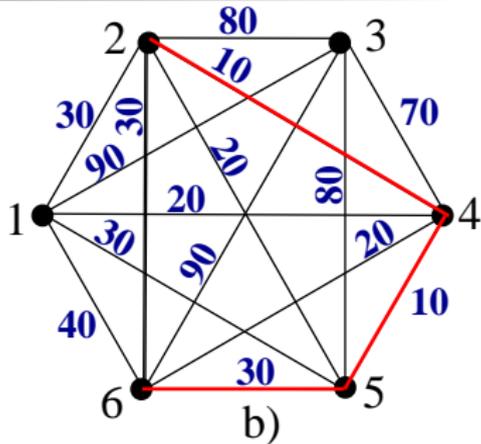
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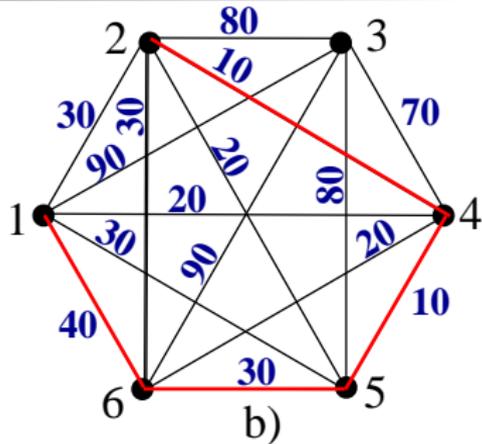
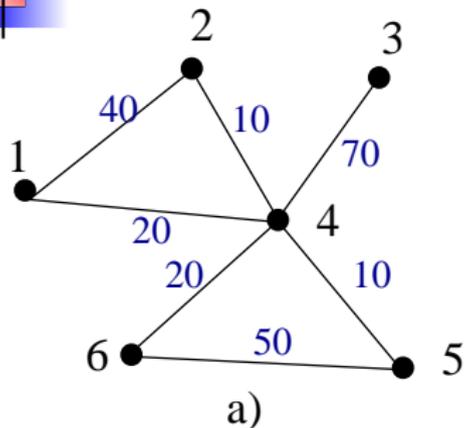
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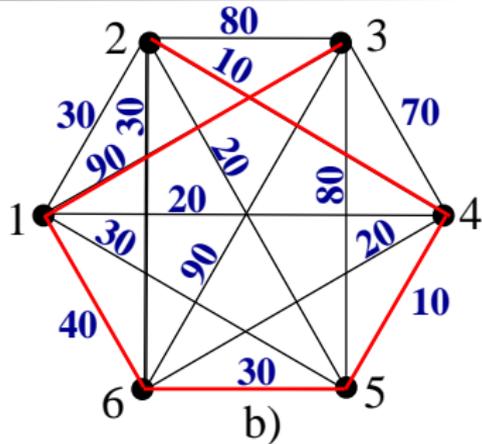
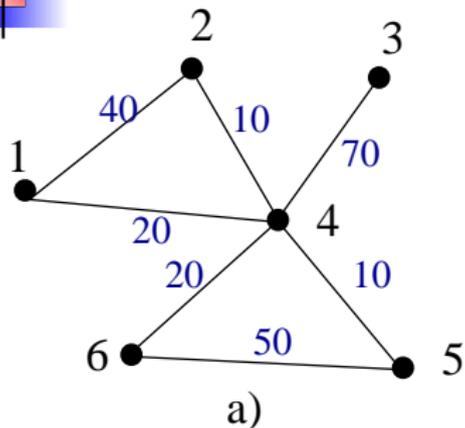


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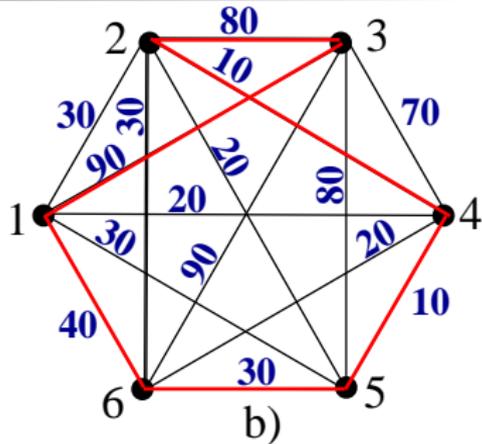
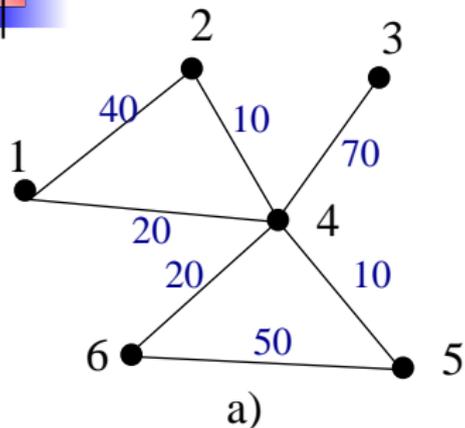
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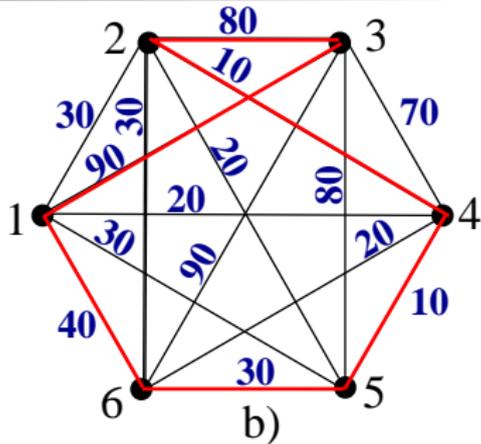
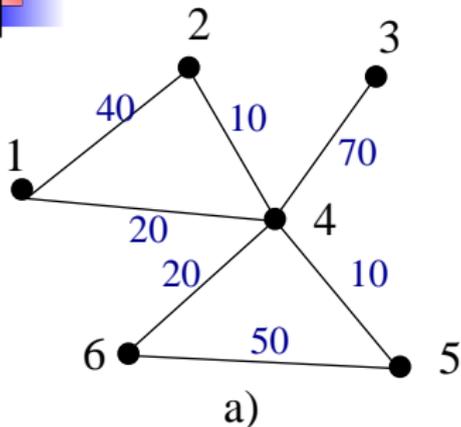
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Now we replace every edge of cycle  $C$  by corresponding shortest path in original graph  $G$ .

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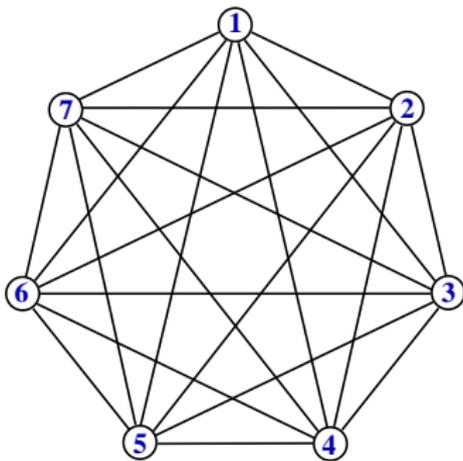
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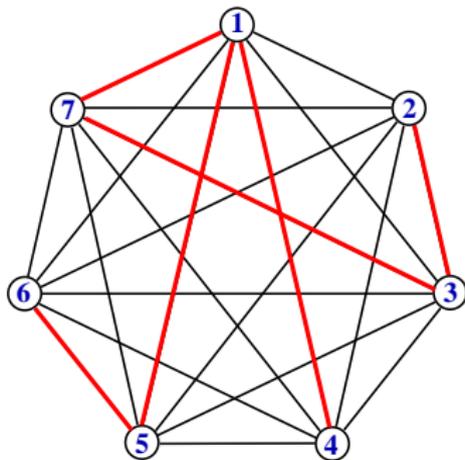
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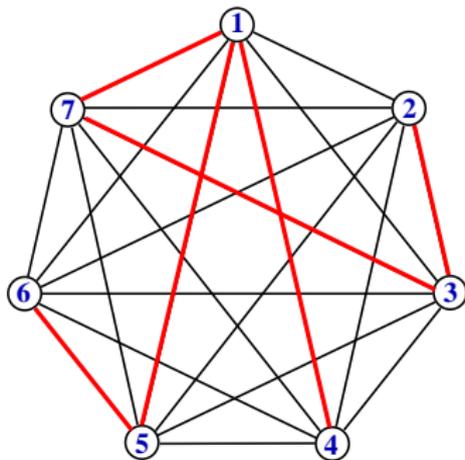


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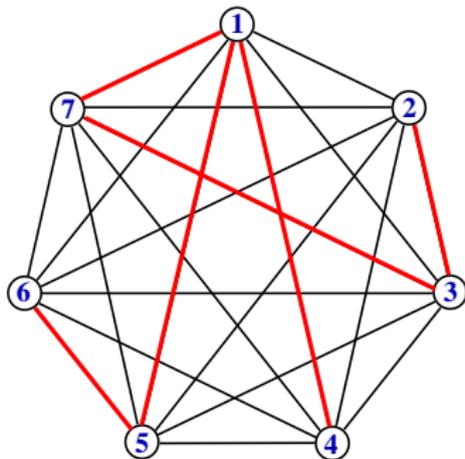
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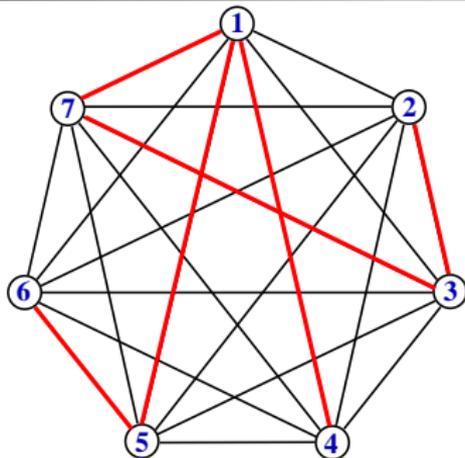
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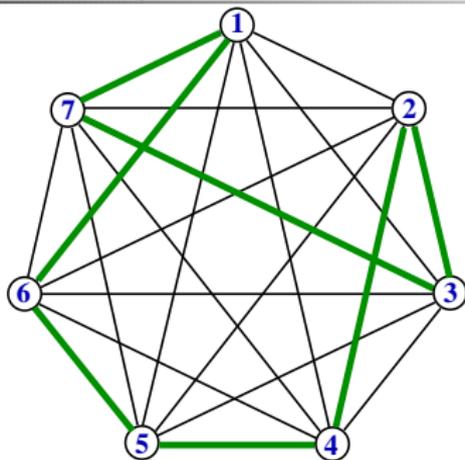
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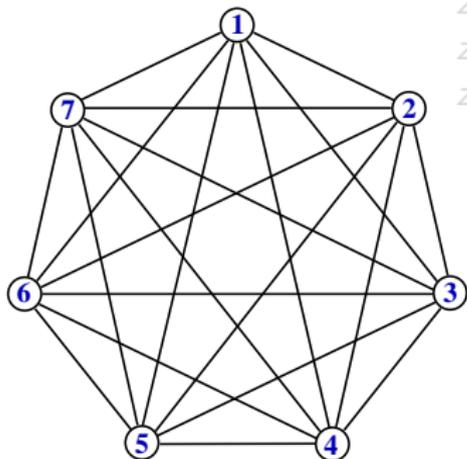
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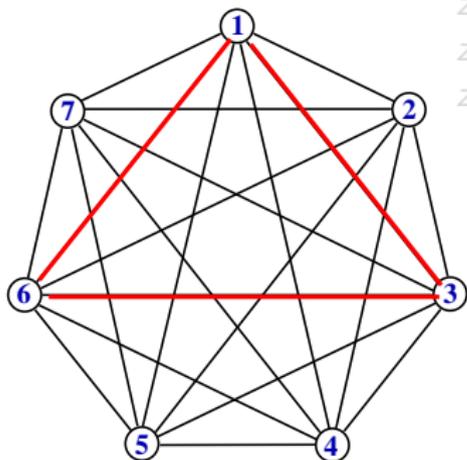
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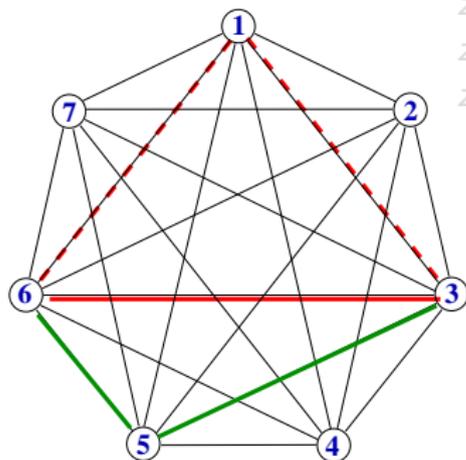
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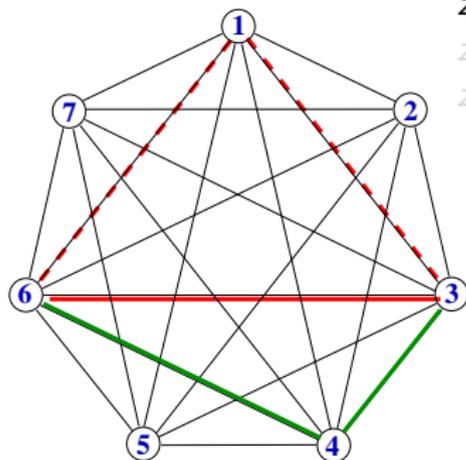
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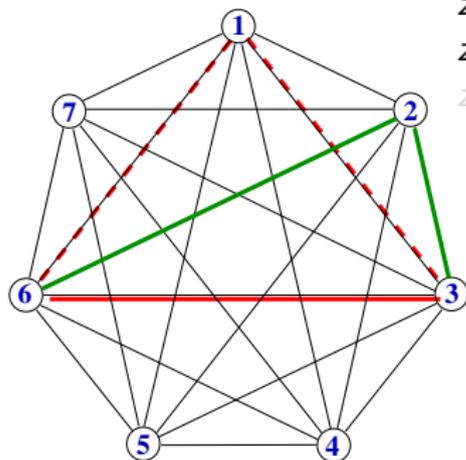
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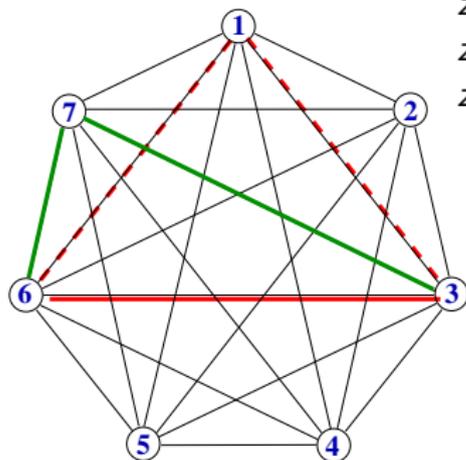
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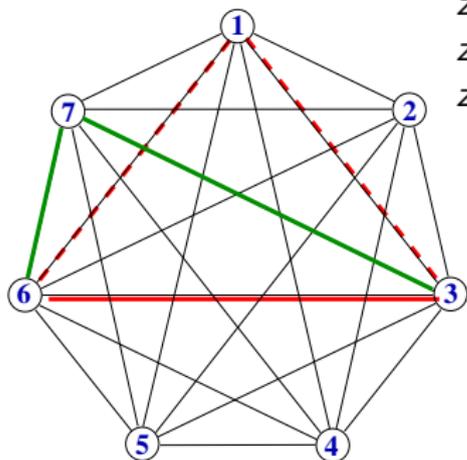
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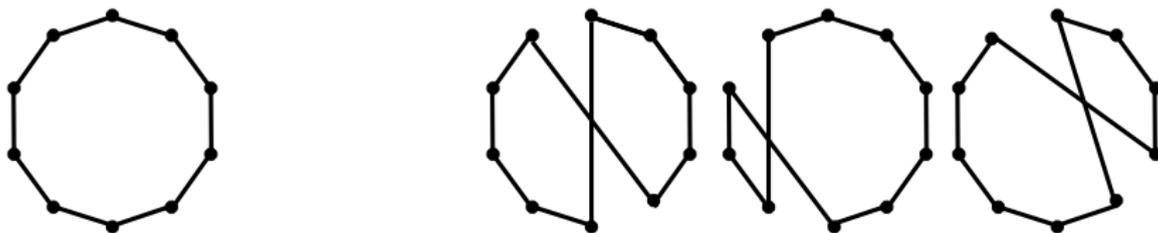
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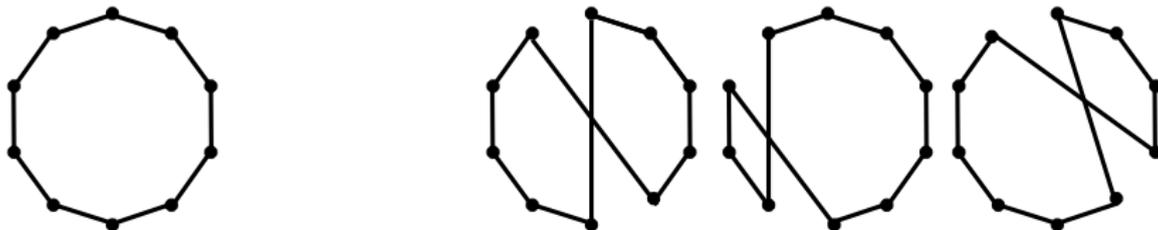
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