

# $F$ -sequences and Hamiltonian cycles in the hypercube

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# Current status of work

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# Initial work proposal

- The initial proposal **was focused on the study of authentication protocols**, namely zero-knowledge proofs (ZKP's), based on hard problems of graph theory.
- The analysis of the originally considered graph problem **showed us the infeasibility for its practical application** in cryptographic protocols.
- So, the study **was refocused into the area of formal graph theory**.

## Current status of work i

- Each hypercube is a Hamiltonian graph and **the number of Hamiltonian cycles has a doubly-exponential growth.**
- We describe any Hamiltonian cycle by a sequence **whose entries are the indexes of the basic directions** traversed according to the cycle. These number sequences are called  $f$ -sequences ( $f$ -seqs).
- The  $f$ -seqs **are classified into equivalence classes through elementary transformations** (e.g. sequence rotation, sequence reflexion, and some others).

## Current status of work ii

- We have introduced (other) several transformations, for each one, **we have built a particular trajectory graph**: the vertices are the representative  $f$ -seqs and the edges result from the transformation, a vertex and its transformed vertex form an edge.
- Several problems arise, e.g. which are the **minimal transformation sets** that produce connected trajectory graphs, for a given transformation, which is **the number of connected components** in the trajectory graph.
- We have designed several **algorithms for application of transformations** and to answer several decision problems.

- We have built a C library which implements those algorithms.

# Hamiltonian cycles and $f$ -sequences

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## Definition (Hypercube graph)

Let be  $Q_n = \{0, 1\}^n$ , the  $n$ -dimensional hypercube. It is a  $n$ -dimensional  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vectorial space, spanned by the canonical basis  $E = (e_j)_{j=1}^n$ , where  $e_j = (\delta_{i,j})_{i=1}^n$  and  $\delta_{i,j}$  is Kronecker's delta. It is also a metric space with Hamming distance

$$d_H : (u, w) \mapsto \text{card}(\{i \mid u_i \neq w_i\}).$$

The *edges* of  $Q_n$  are pairs  $(v, v + e_i)$ , where  $v \in V(Q_n)$ , i.e, they have a Hamming distance equals to 1. We say that *it is an edge through  $i$ -th coordinate*.



## Example

The edge  $(v_{12}, v_{14})$  through first coordinate into  $Q_4$ . Their distances is  $d_H(\underbrace{1100}_{12}, \underbrace{1110}_{14}) = 1$ .

Since, all vertices in  $Q_n$  can be enumerated with a  $n$ -bit string, they will be enumerated with a subindex  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{2^n}$  which is the number represented by that string.

## Definition ( $f$ -sequence)

An  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq with length  $m$  is a finite sequence

$f = (f_0, \dots, f_{m-1})$  where  $f_i \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .

If  $m < 2^n$ , then in each proper sequence  $(f_k, \dots, f_l)$ , with  $0 \leq k < l \leq 2^n - 1$ , there is at least one item which appears an odd-number of times.

If  $m = 2^n$ , then all items appear an even-number of times.

The maximum length of an  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq is  $2^n$ . We say that it is *complete  $f$ -seq*.

## *f*-sequences ii

### Example

A 2-order *f*-seq with length  $2^2$  is

$$(0, 1, 0, 1).$$

A 3-order *f*-seq with length  $2^3$  is

$$(0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 2).$$

A 4-order *f*-seq with length  $2^4$  is

$$(0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3).$$

A 5-order *f*-seq with length  $2^5$  is

$$(0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 4, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 4)$$

## Definition (Type of a sequence)

Let be  $(f_0, \dots, f_{2^n-1})$  a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq.

The *type* of a sequence  $(f_i, \dots, f_j)$ , denoted by  $type(f_i, \dots, f_j)$ , where  $0 \leq i < j < 2^n$ , is **the set of items in that sequence such that appear an odd-number times.**

## Type of a sequence ii

### Example

Given the  $f$ -seq in Example 4

$$\text{type}(0, 1, 0, 2) = \{1, 2\}$$

$$\text{type}(0, 1, 0, 2, 0) = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$\text{type}(0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 2) = \emptyset$$

## Definition (Actions of $f$ -equivalence)

Let  $f$  be a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq.

1. If  $\pi : \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$  is a permutation, from  $S_n$  group, then  $\pi(f) = (\pi(f_0), \dots, \pi(f_{2^n-1}))$  is a complete  $f$ -seq.
2. The *reversed sequence*  $f^r = (f_{2^n-1}, \dots, f_0)$ , is an  $f$ -seq.
3. Any *circular rotation* of a  $f$ ,  $(f_i, \dots, f_{2^n-1}, f_0, \dots, f_{i-1})$ , where  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{2^n}$ , is a complete  $f$ -seq.

Those operations define an action of the group  $S_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{2^n}$  into the set of complete  $f$ -seqs. We will say that **two  $f$ -seqs are  $f$ -equivalent, if they belong to the same (action) orbit.**

### Example

The  $f$ -seq from Example 4 is equivalent to

$$(2, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0)$$

$$(0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1)$$

$$(1, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 1, 0).$$

### Definition (Minimum $f$ -sequence)

An  $f$ -seq is *minimal*, if it is the minimum item in its  $f$ -equivalence class, considering lexicographic order.

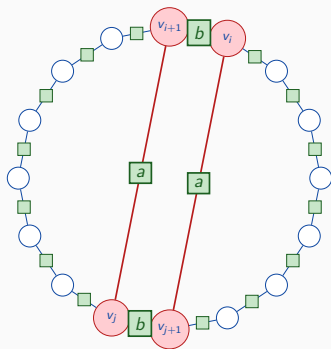


# Squares i

## Definition (Straight-square)

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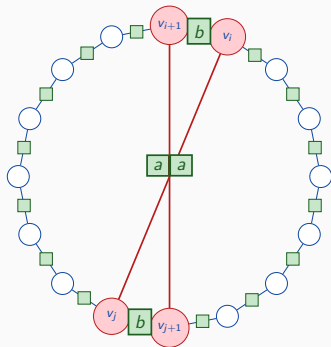
If  $\text{type}(v_i, \dots, v_{i+1}) =$   
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 $\text{type}(v_{i+1}, \dots, v_j) =$   
 $\text{type}(v_{j+1}, \dots, v_i) = \{a\}$ , then these  
four vertices form a 4-cycle. We call  
it a *straight-square*.



## Definition (Twisted-square)

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# Operators of $f$ -sequences

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## Definition (Clover)

Let  $f$  be an  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq which can be expressed as  $AaBbCaDb$ , where  $A, B, C, D$  are non-empty proper sequences of  $f$  and  $a, b$  are proper sequences of length 1. All of them are pairwise disjoint.

If  $\text{type}(AbD) = \text{type}(BbC) = a'$  and  $\text{type}(AaB) = \text{type}(CaD) = b'$ , where  $a', b'$  are proper sequences of length 1, then  $Aa'Db'Ca'Bb'$  is a complete  $f$ -seq non  $f$ -equivalent to  $f$ . We call this a *clover transformation*.

## Twisted clover transformation i

### Definition (Twisted clover)

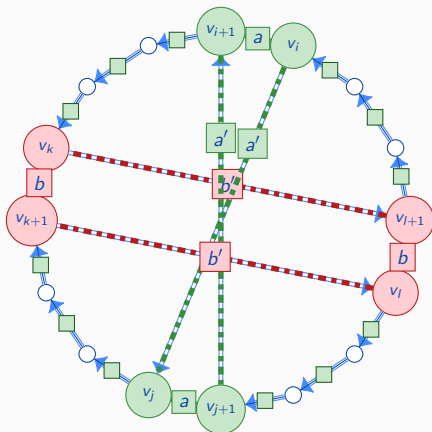
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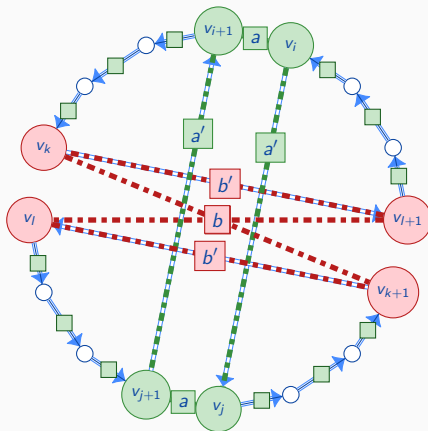
$$Aa'D^r b' C^r b' Bb'$$

is a complete  $f$ -seq non  $f$ -equivalent to  $f$ . We call this a *twisted-clover transformation*.

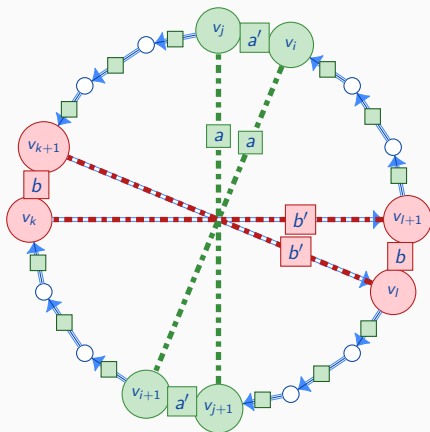
## Twisted clover transformation ii



## Twisted clover transformation iii



# Twisted clover transformation iv





# Mushroom transformation i

## Definition (Mushroom)

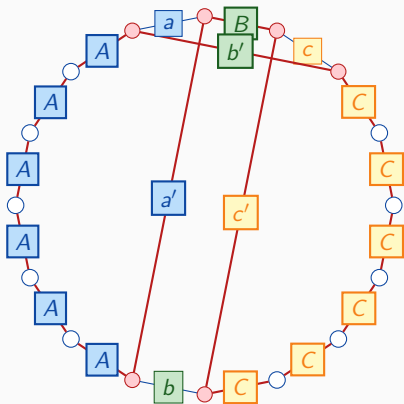
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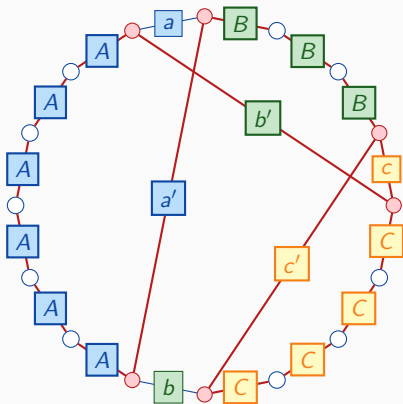
$$Ab' Cc' B^r a'$$

is a complete  $f$ -seq non  $f$ -equivalent to  $f$ . We call this a *mushroom* transformation.

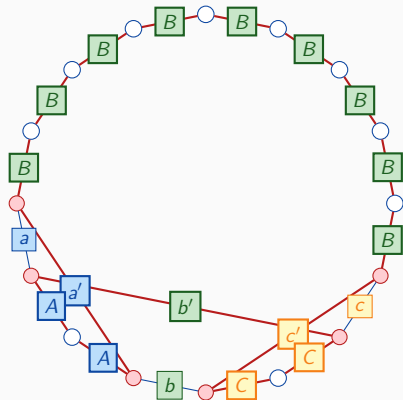
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# Algorithms and implementations

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## Algorithms

# Validation of $f$ -sequences

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**Algorithm 1:** fsval – Validation of  $f$ -sequences.

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**Input:**  $s$ , a sequence of length  $2^n$  with items in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .

**Output:** 1 if  $s$  is a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq, otherwise 0.

```
1 begin
2   for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $2^n - 1$  do           // Clear  $2^n$  memory
3      $h[i] \leftarrow 0$ 
4    $v \leftarrow 0$ 
5   for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $2^n - 1$  do
6      $v \leftarrow v \oplus (1 \ll s[i])$ 
7     if  $h[v] \neq 0$  then                     // Unexpected loop path
8       return 0                               //  $s$  is not an  $f$ -seq
9      $h[v] \leftarrow 1$                        // Mark vertex as visited
10  return 1                                   //  $s$  is an  $f$ -seq
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# Pseudorandom $f$ -sequence generation

**Algorithm 2:** `dac_prfsg` – Pseudorandom  $f$ -sequences generation.

**Input:**  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $n > 2$ .

**Output:**  $f$ , a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq randomly generated.

```
1 begin
2   if  $n = 2$  then // When  $f$ -seqs order 2
3      $b \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}$ 
4      $f \leftarrow [(0, 1, 0, 1), (1, 0, 1, 0)]$ 
5     return  $f[b]$  // Pick randomly  $f$ -seq of order 2
6   else // When  $f$ -seqs of order  $> 2$ 
7      $f \leftarrow []$  //  $f$ -seq memory
8      $f[0] \leftarrow \text{dac\_prfsg}(n-1)$  // High-half of  $f$ -seq
9      $f[1] \leftarrow \text{dac\_prfsg}(n-1)$  // Low-half of  $f$ -seq
10    if  $f[0][-1] = f[1][-1]$  then
11       $f[0][-1] \leftarrow (f[1][-1] \leftarrow n)$  // Connect both halves
12    else
13      while  $f[0][-1] = f[1][-1]$  do
14         $b \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}$  // Pick randomly...
15         $B \leftarrow f[b]$  // High or low half
16         $b \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}$  // Pick randomly...
17        if  $b = 0$  then  $B \ll 1$  // left-rotation, or
18        else  $B \gg 1$  // right-rotation
19         $f[0][-1] \leftarrow (f[1][-1] \leftarrow n)$  // Connect both halves
20    return  $f$  // Return random  $f$ -seq built
```



# Squares search

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**Algorithm 3:** `sqrs_search` – Square search into  $f$ -sequences.

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**Input:**  $f$ , a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq.

**Output:**  $Q = \{(i, j, k) : i, j \in \mathbb{Z}_{2^n}, k \in \{0, 1\}\}$ , a set of squares in  $f$ , where  $i$  y  $j$  are indices into  $f$  and  $k$  is the square class.

```
1 begin
2    $Q \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
3   foreach  $i = 0$  to  $2^n - 2$  do
4     foreach  $j = i + 1$  to  $2^n - 1$  do
5       if  $f[i] = f[j]$  then
6         if  $type(f, i, j - 1) = 1$  then
7            $Q \leftarrow Q \cup \{(i, j, 1)\}$ 
8         else if  $type(f, i, j) = 1$  then
9            $Q \leftarrow Q \cup \{(i, j, 0)\}$ 
10  return  $Q$  // Set of squares found
```

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# Twisted-clover application

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**Algorithm 4:** `twseq_app` – Twisted-clover application.

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**Input:**  $f$ , a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq,  $t = (i, j)$  coordinates of a twisted-clover in  $f$ .

**Output:**  $f'$ , a complete  $n$ -order  $f$ -seq such that is not  $f$ -equivalent to  $f$ .

```
1 begin
2    $(m, a') \leftarrow \text{parity}(f, t_i, t_{j-1})$ 
3   foreach  $i = 0$  to  $2^n - 2$  do
4     if  $i + t_i + 1 = t_j$  then // Sequence  $a'$  between  $A$  and  $B^r$ 
5        $f'[i] = a'$ 
6       continue
7     if  $i + 1 = 2^n$  then // Sequence  $a'$  between  $B^r$  and  $A$ 
8        $f'[i] = a'$ 
9       continue
10    if  $i < (t_j - 1 - t_i)$  then // Sequence  $A$ 
11       $f'[i] = f[(i + t_i + 1) \bmod 2^n]$ 
12      continue
13    if  $t_j < (i + t_i + 1)$  then // Sequence  $B^r$ 
14       $f'[i] = f[(t_j - i - 1) \bmod 2^n]$ 
15      continue
16  return  $f'$ 
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# Algorithms and implementations

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## Implementation

- Source code is public.

It is stored and managed by a **git** repository:

 <https://gitlab.com/israelbuitron/fseq4c>

- Source code is documented.

# Algorithms and implementations

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## Demo

# Pseudorandom $f$ -sequence generation

## Example (Watch a video)

Execution of *pseudorandom  $f$ -seq generation* from order 3 to 23, at:

▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K11jX1UBv1c>

# Squares search

## Example (Execute)

Go to terminal and run:

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>_ ./lab_bulk_count_squares -n 4 -i fs-n4.csv
```

# Mushroom instances search

## Example (Execute)

Go to terminal and run:

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>_ ./lab_bulk_search_mushrooms -n 4 -i fs-n4.csv
```



# Twisted-squares instances search

## Example (Execute)

Go to terminal and run:

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>_ ./lab_bulk_apply_twisted_squares -n 4 -i twsq-n4.csv
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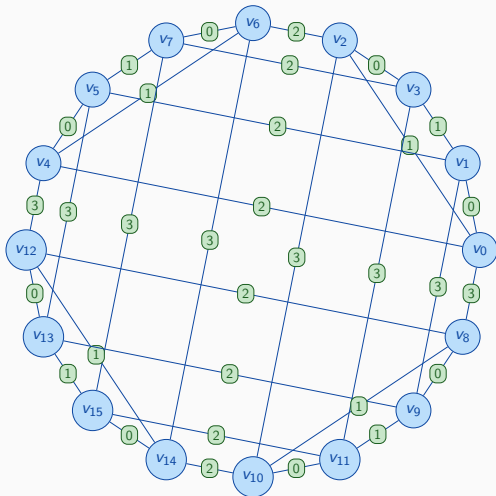
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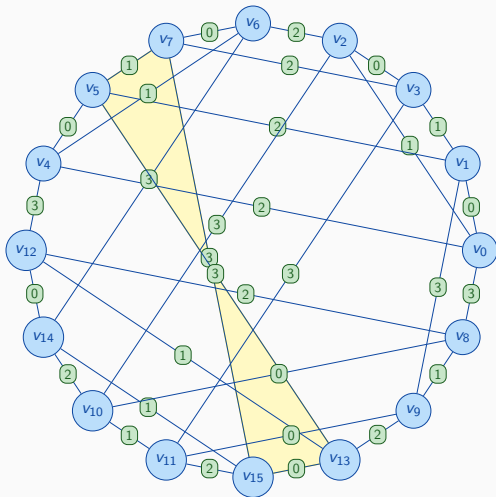
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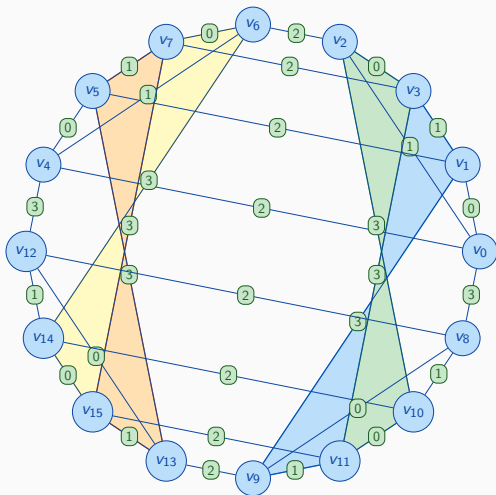
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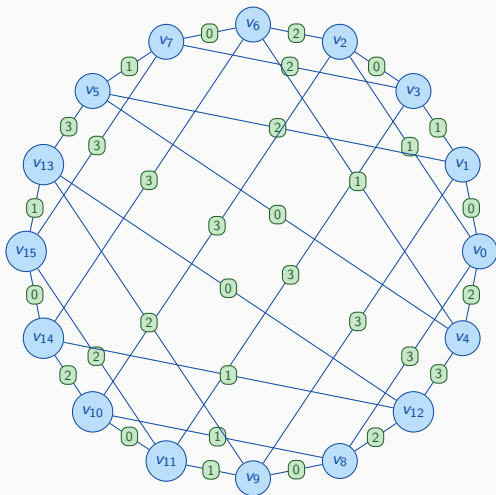
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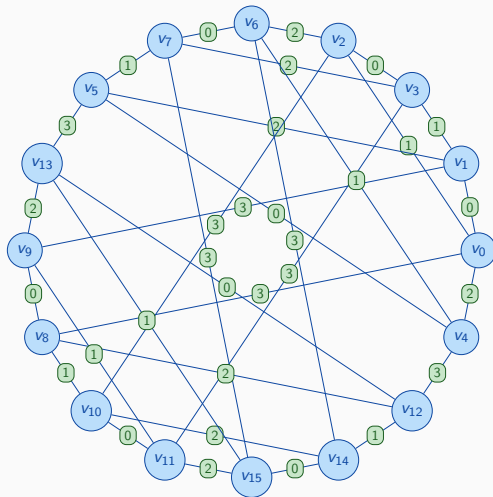
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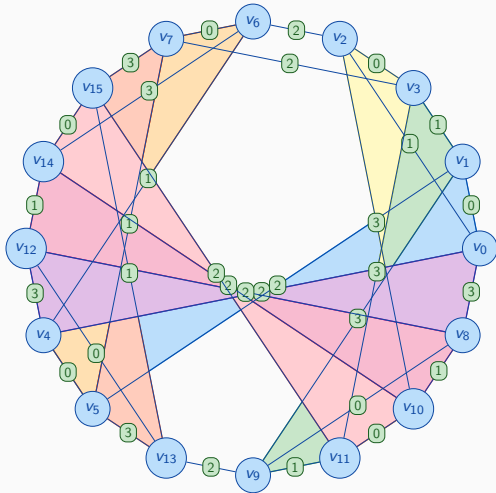


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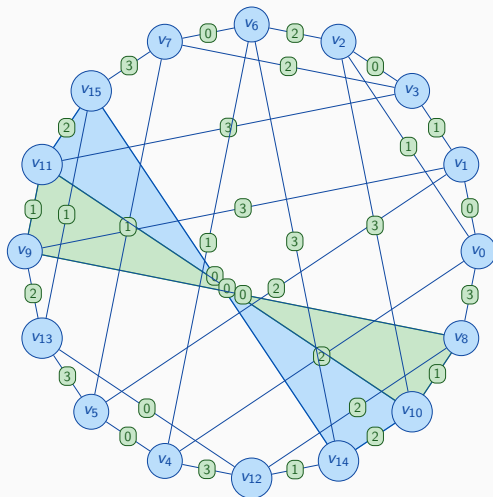




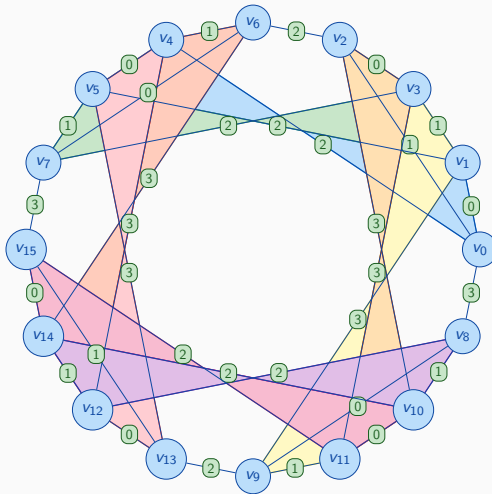
# $F$ -sequences in $Q_4$ vi



# F-sequences in $Q_4$ vii



# $F$ -sequences in $Q_4$ viii



# F-sequences in $Q_4$ ix

