

Sampling symmetric Gibbs distributions on the sparse random graph and hypergraph

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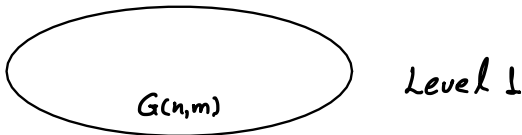
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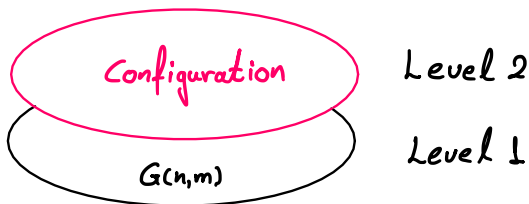
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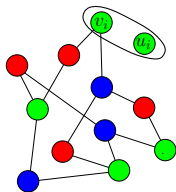
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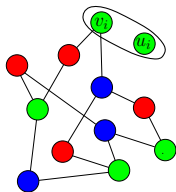
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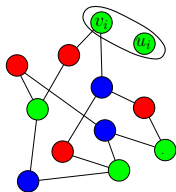
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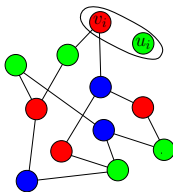
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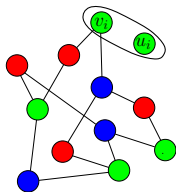
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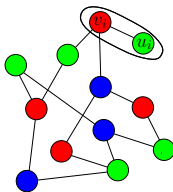
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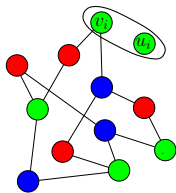
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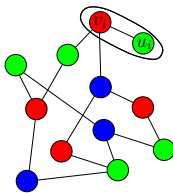
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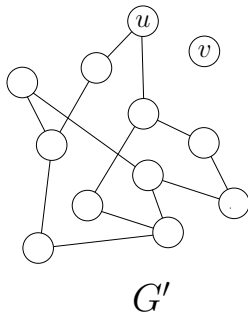
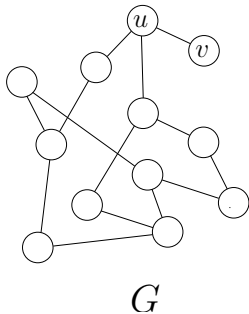
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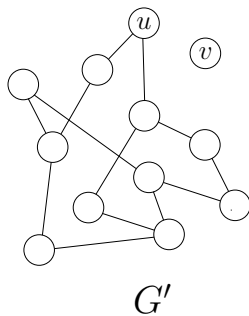
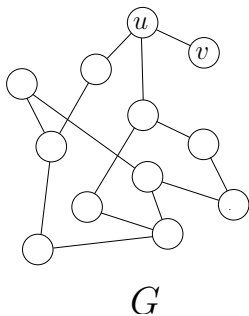
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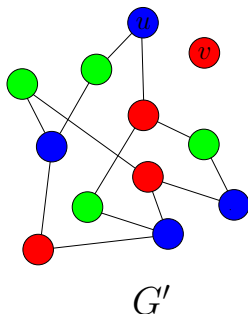
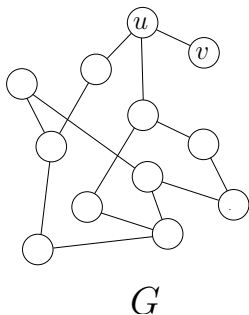


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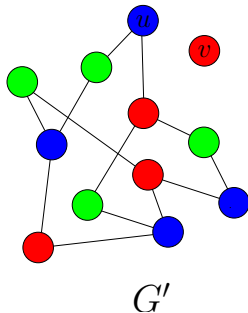
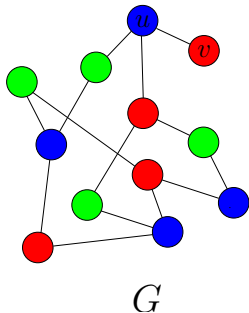
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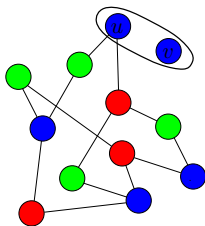
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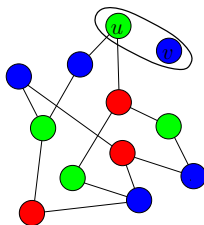
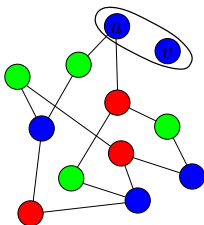


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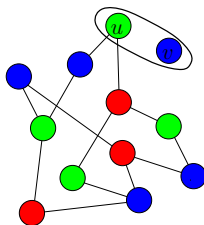
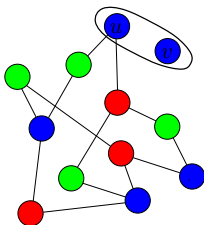


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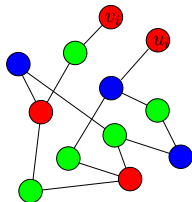


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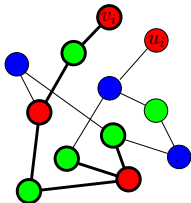
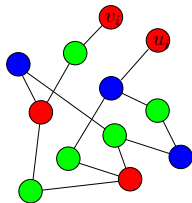
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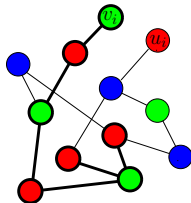
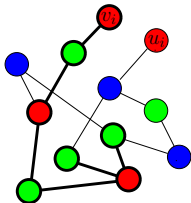
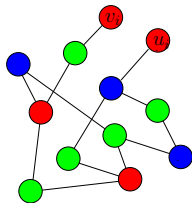
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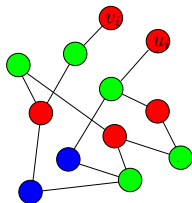


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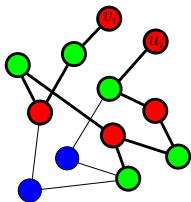
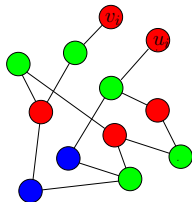


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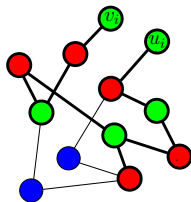
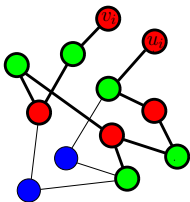
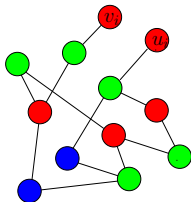
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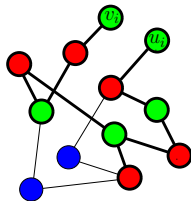
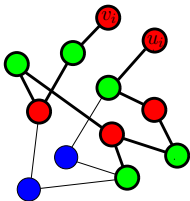
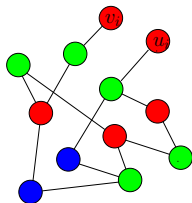
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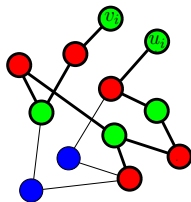
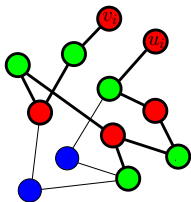
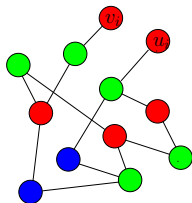
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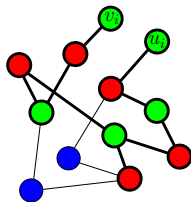
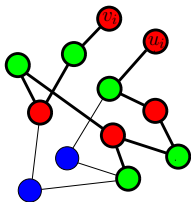
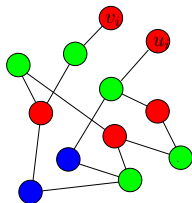
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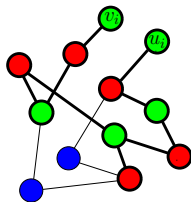
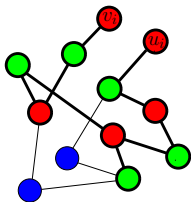
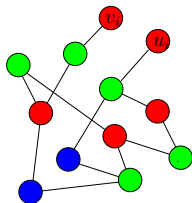
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- having a perfect sample at the input
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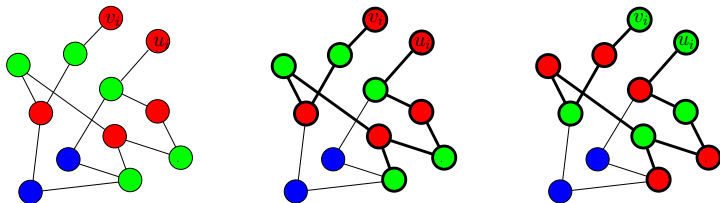
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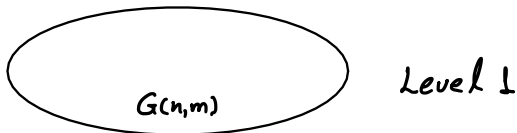
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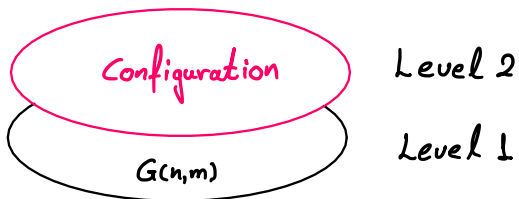
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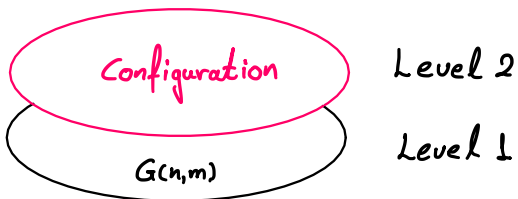
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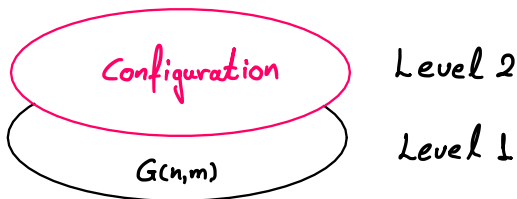


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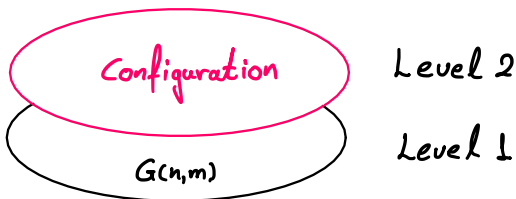
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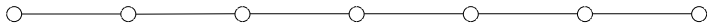
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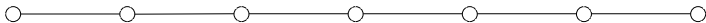
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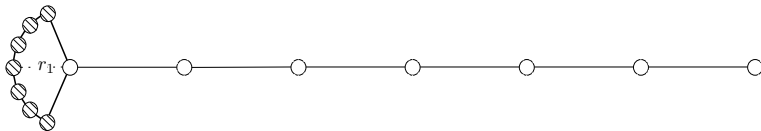
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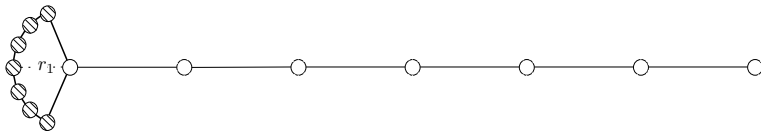
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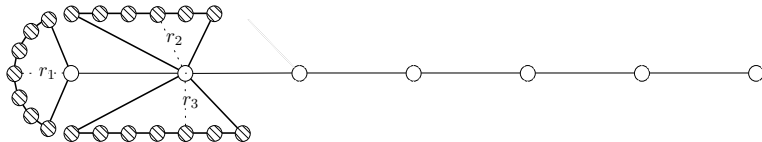
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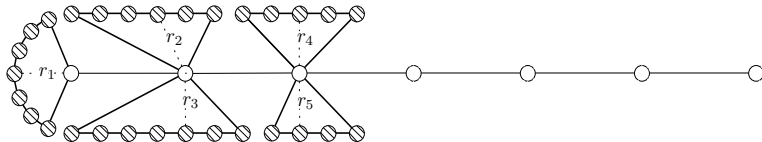
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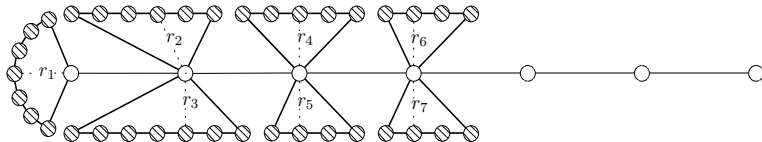
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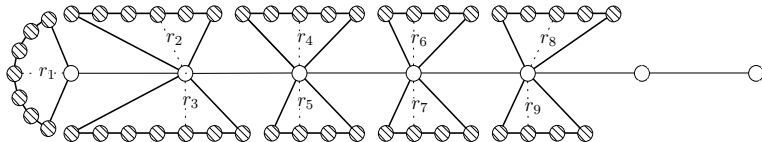
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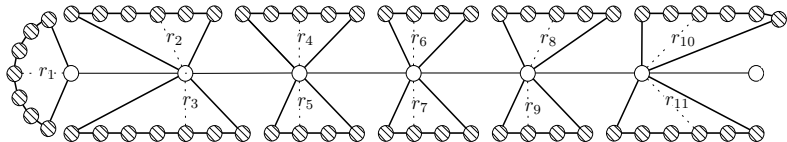
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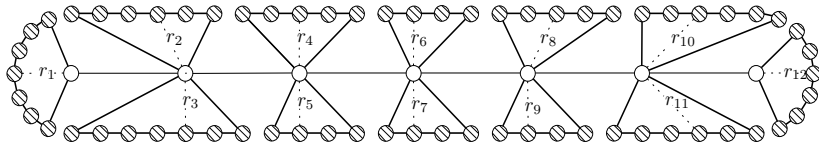
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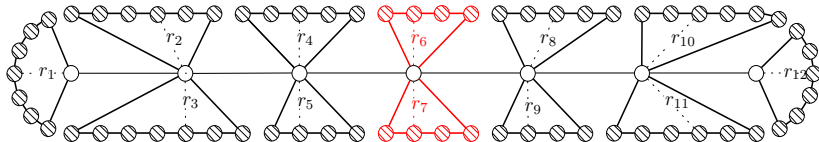
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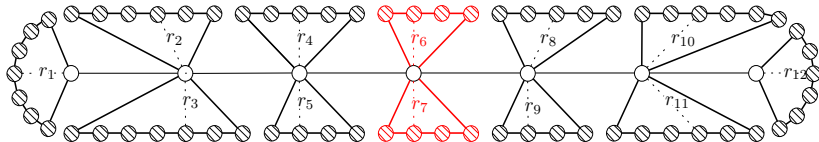
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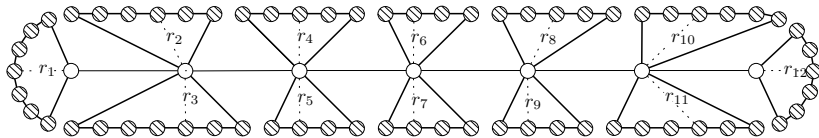
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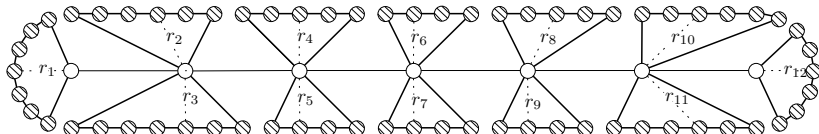
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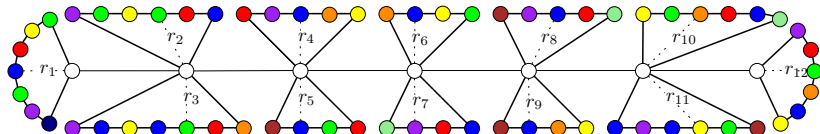
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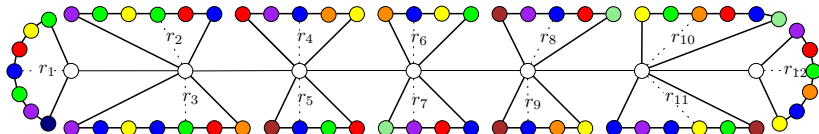
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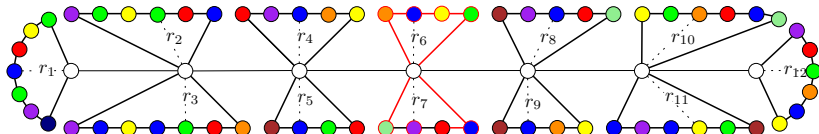
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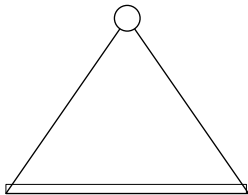
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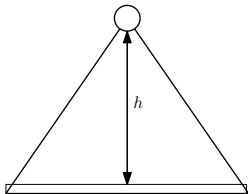


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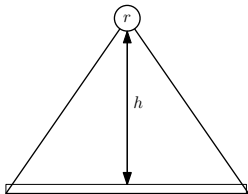
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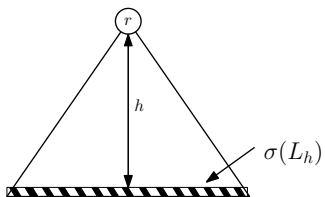
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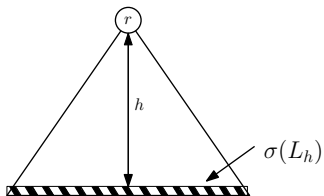
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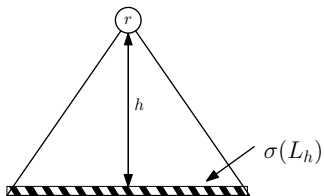


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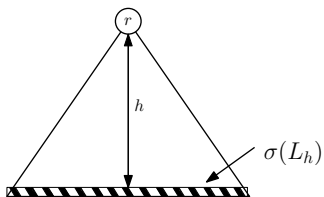
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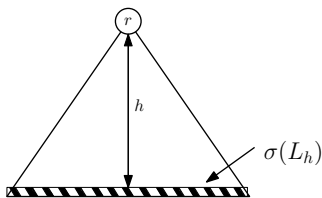
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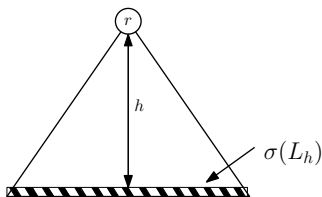
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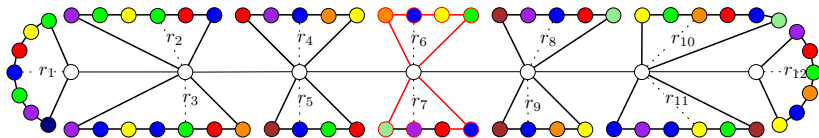
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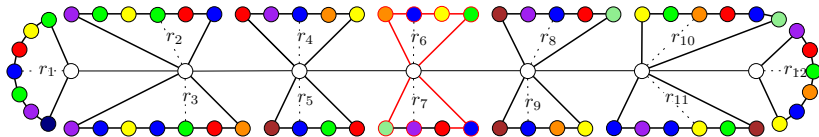
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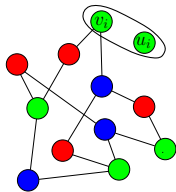
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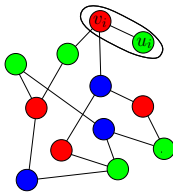
Generate σ_0 according to the Gibbs distribution at G_0

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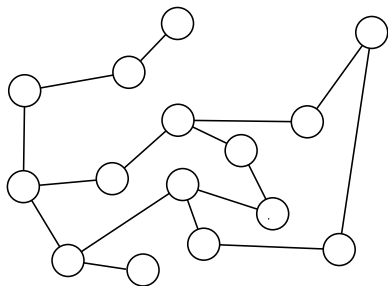
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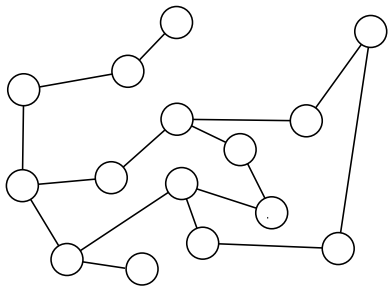
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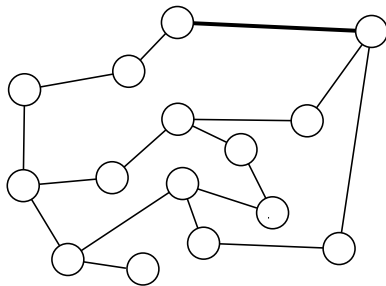


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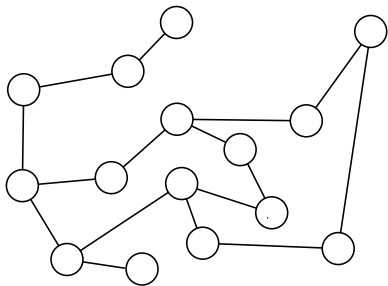


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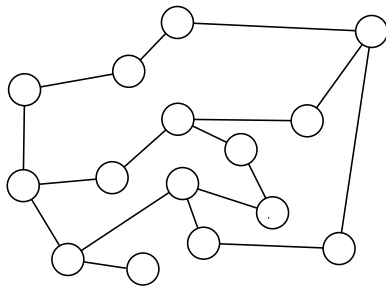


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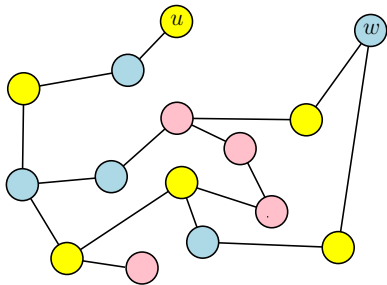


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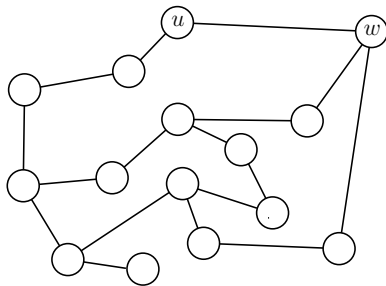


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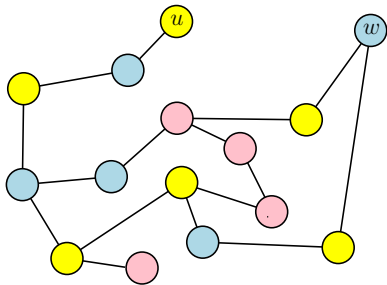


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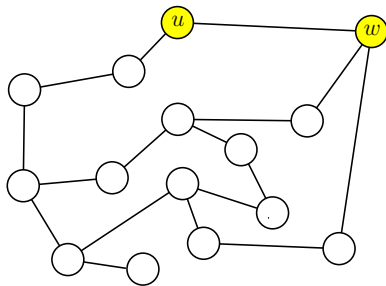


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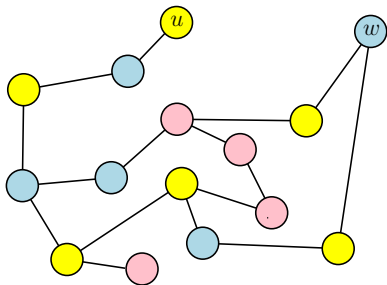


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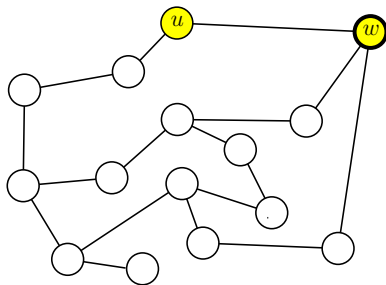


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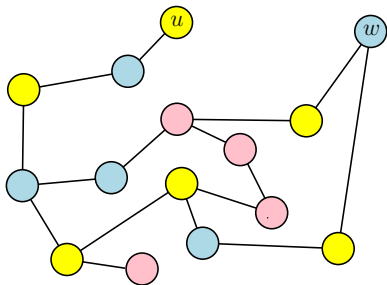
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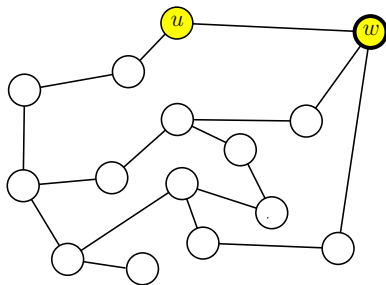
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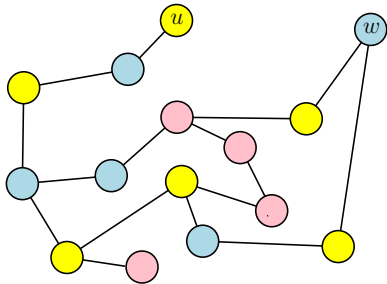
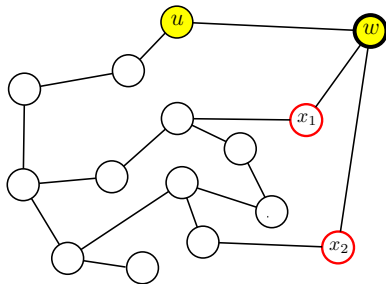
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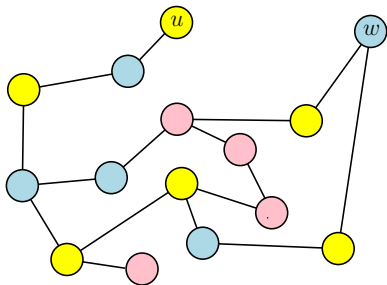
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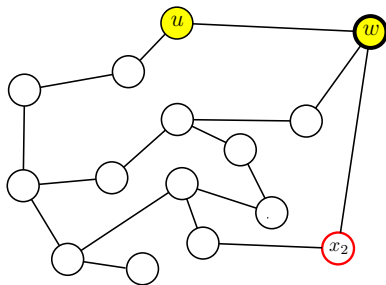

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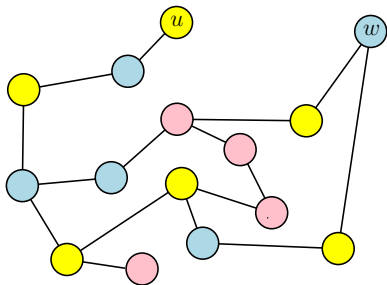
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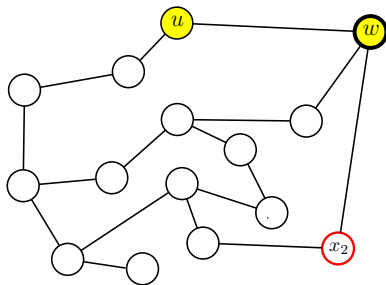
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pick x_2 and decide $\tau(x_2)$ such that $\tau(x_2) \in \{\text{blue}, \text{yellow}\}$

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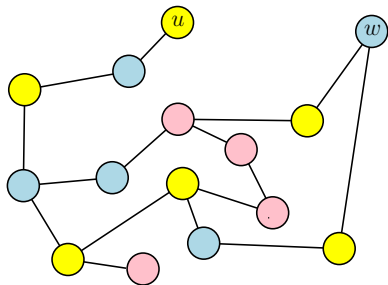
(G, σ)



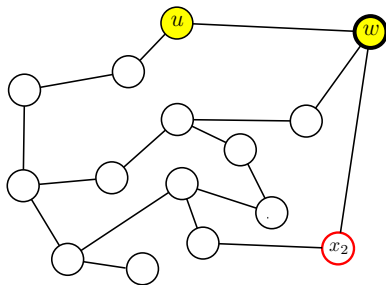
G'

the probability of disagreement is minimised by using **maximal coupling**

Coupling-Based Solution



(G, σ)

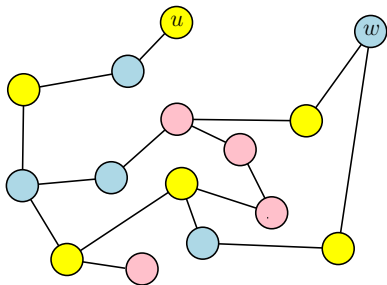


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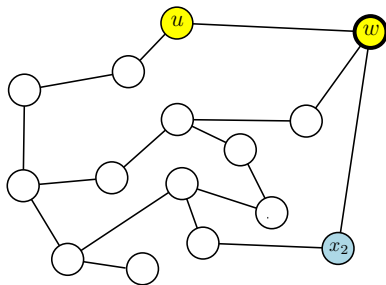
maximal coupling

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Coupling-Based Solution



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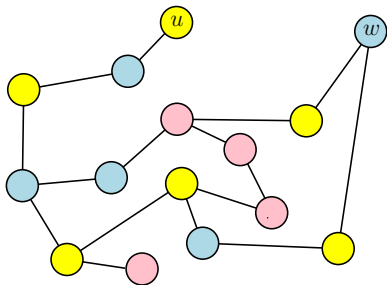


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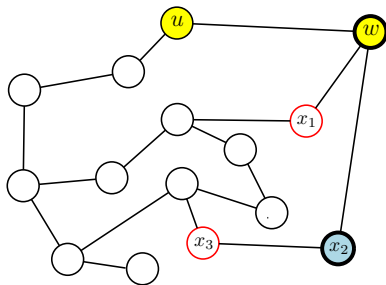
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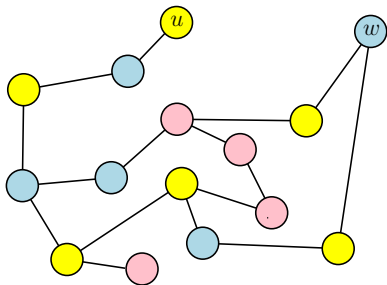
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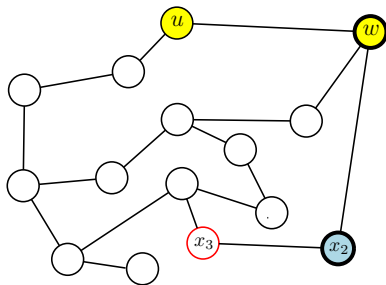
G'

look for vertices z next to the disagreements such that
 $\sigma(z) \in \{\text{blue}, \text{yellow}\}$

Coupling-Based Solution



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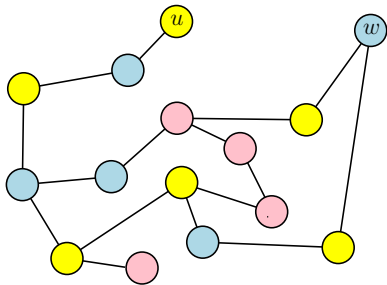


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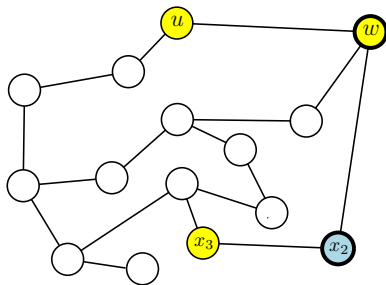
choose x_3 and repeat as before ...

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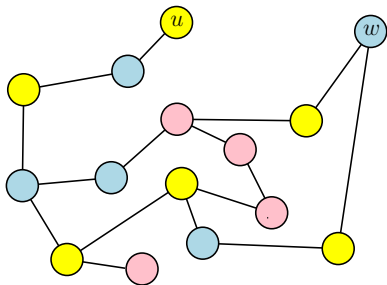


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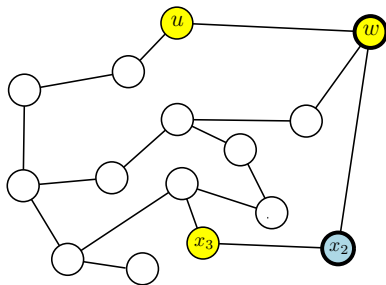


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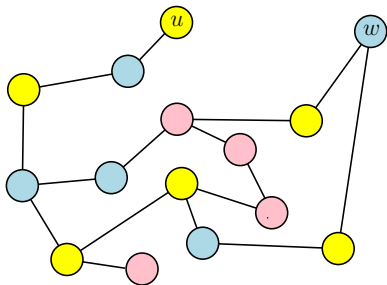
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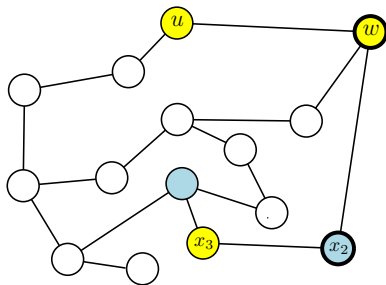
G'

repeat in the same way for the rest of the vertices

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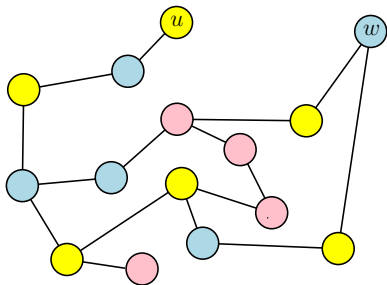
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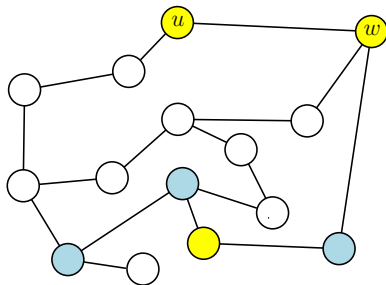
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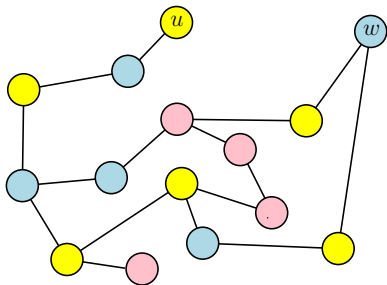
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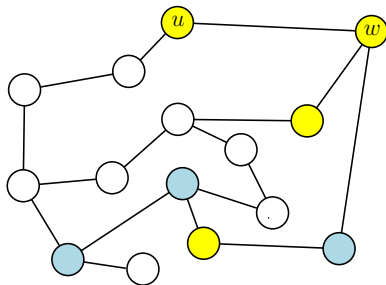
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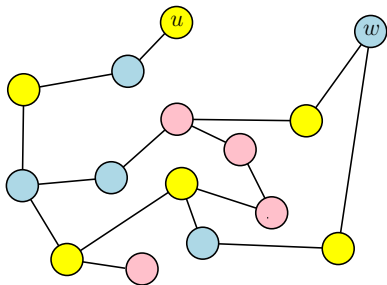
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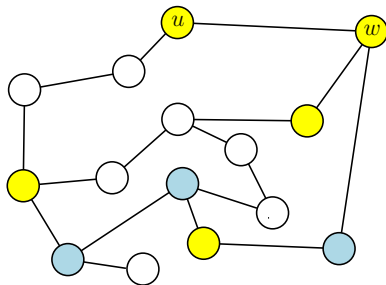
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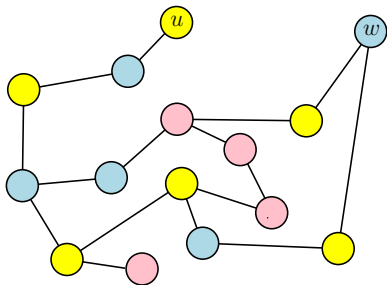
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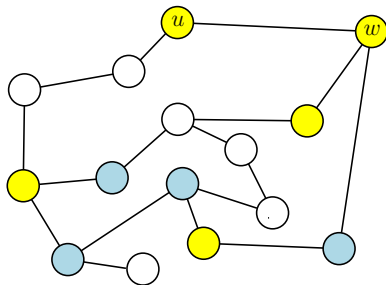
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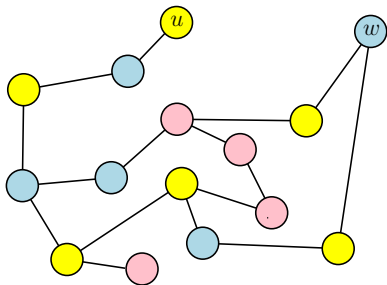
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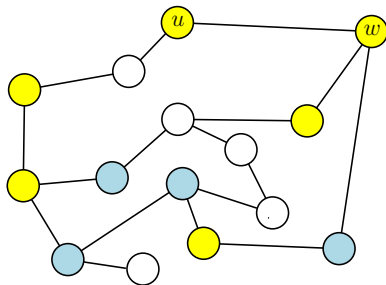
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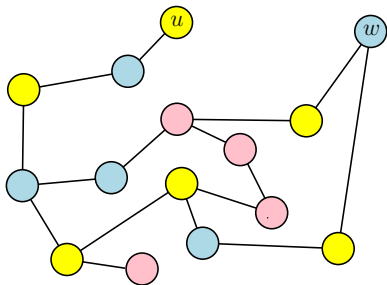
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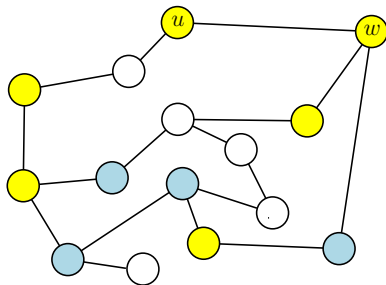
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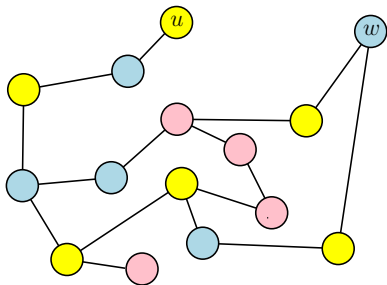
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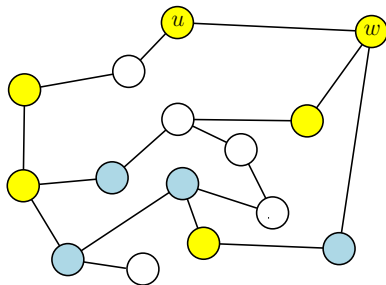
G'

disagreement cannot propagate any more

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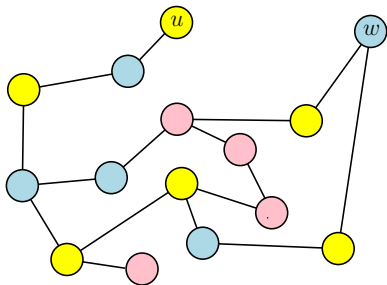
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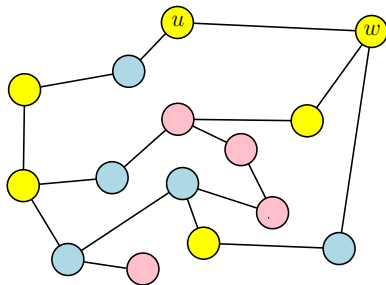
G'

the remaining vertices keep the initial assignments.

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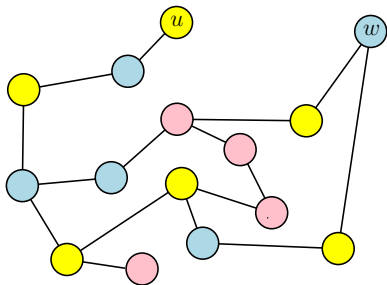
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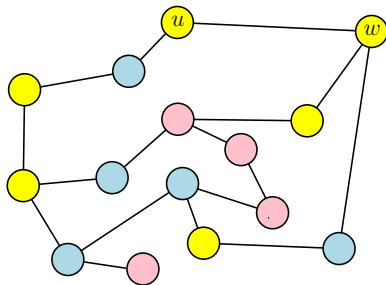
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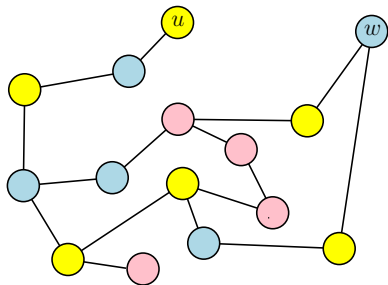
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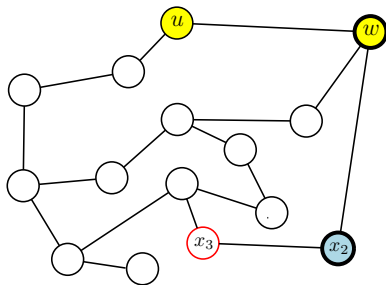
(G', τ)

the approach generates a **perfect** sample from μ'

Coupling-Based Solution



(G, σ)

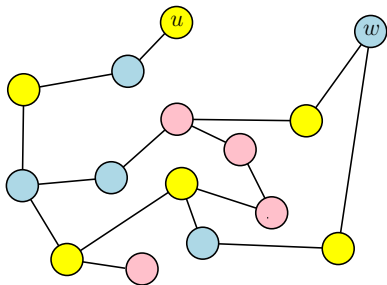


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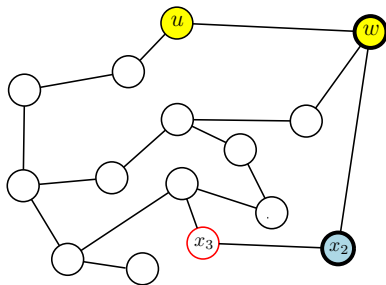
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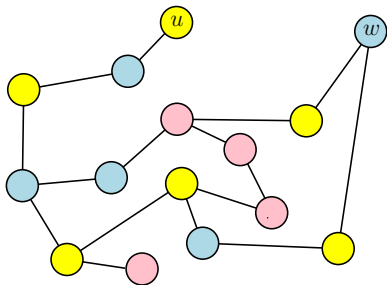


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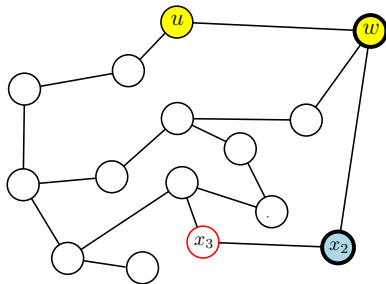
The catch ...

we don't know how to compute $\mu_{x_3}(\sigma(x_3) \mid \sigma(\{u, w, x_2\}))$
efficiently

Coupling-Based Solution



(G, σ)



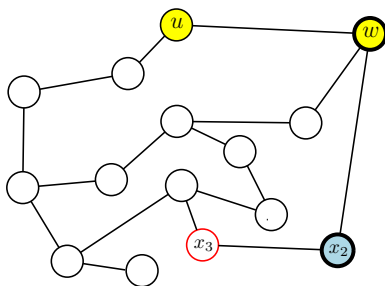
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The idea ...

replace the Gibbs marginals with “good” approximations that can be computed efficiently

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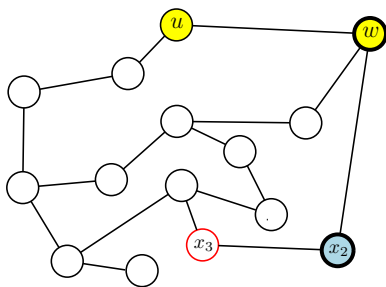


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Observation ...

influences from vertices with fixed configuration make the Gibbs marginals at x_3 **too complicated** an object

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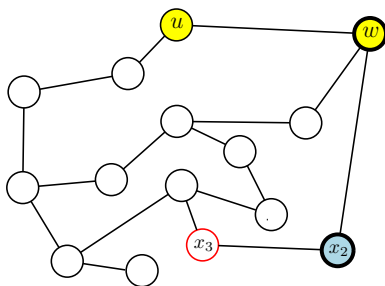


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However ...

in most cases all but one vertex are far away (**girth**)

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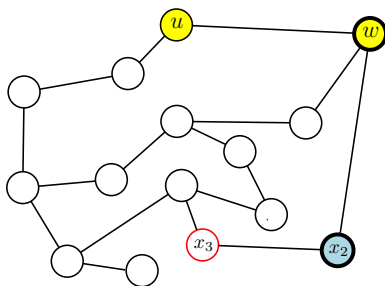


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Choosing the appropriate parameters ...

essentially only one vertex influences the marginal

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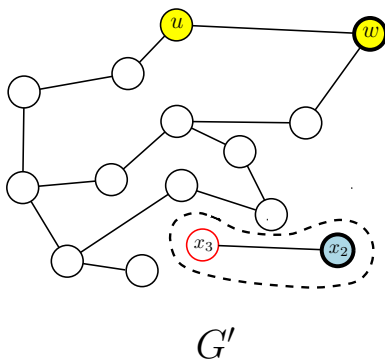


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Compute marginal but ...

ignore the influence on x_3 from u and w

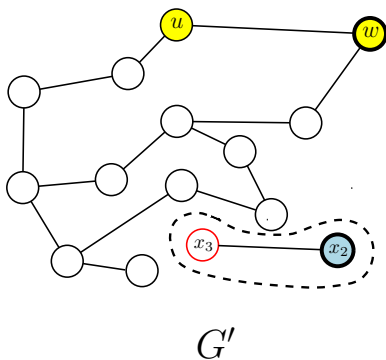
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Effectively

use the marginal at x_3 on the graph within the dashed curve

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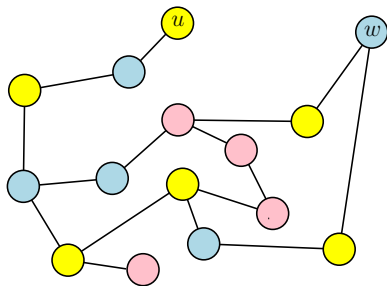


Remark

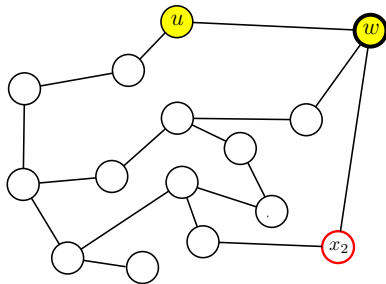
we can compute the “simplified” marginal at x_3 in $O(1)$ steps

To sum up ...

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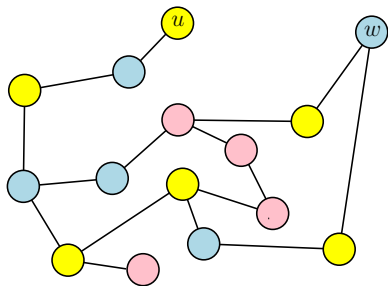


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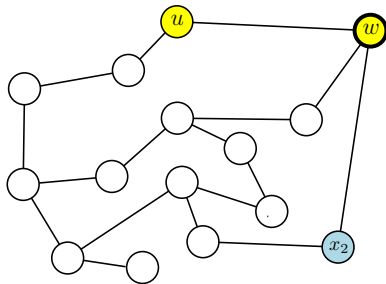
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To sum up ...



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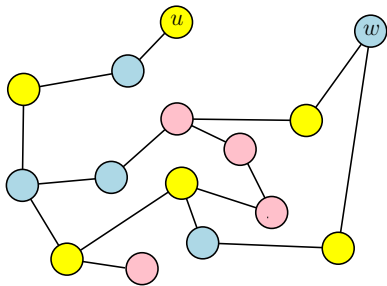


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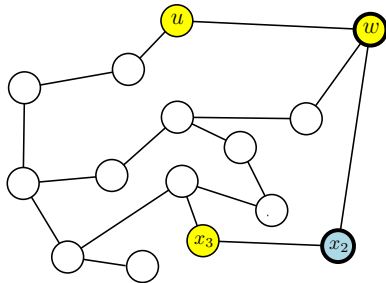
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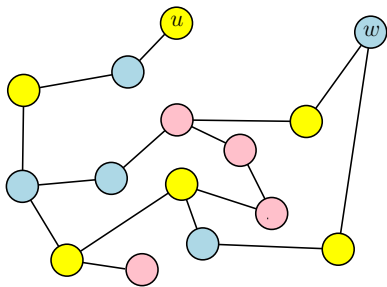
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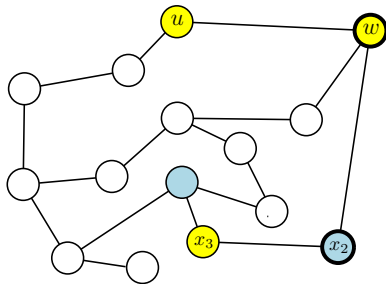
G'

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To sum up ...



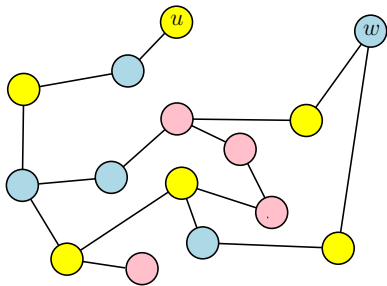
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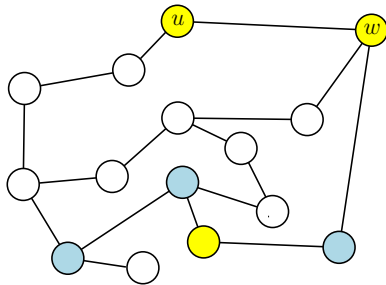
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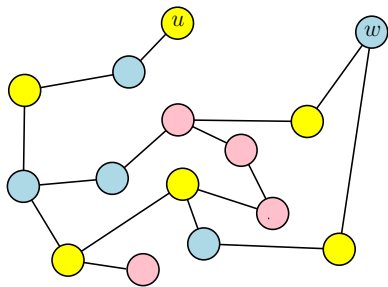
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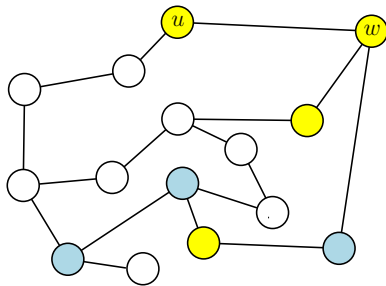
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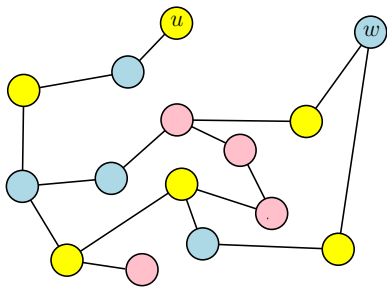
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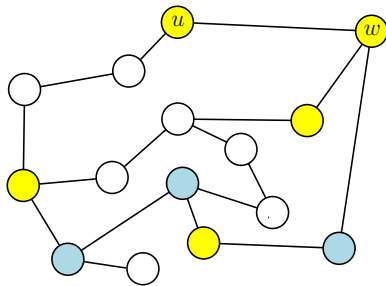
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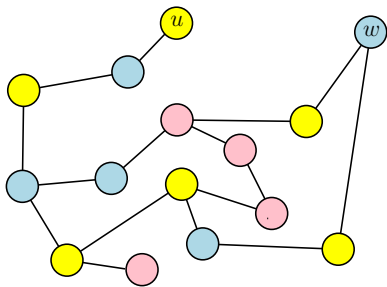
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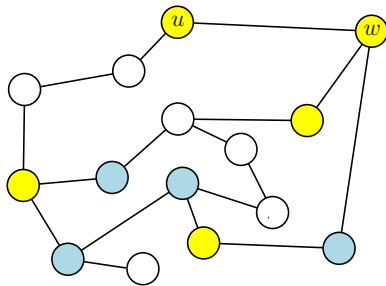
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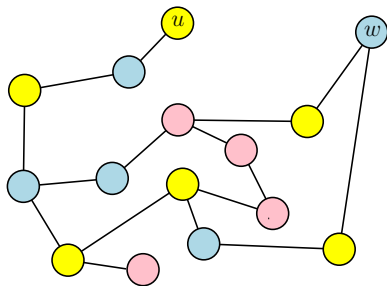
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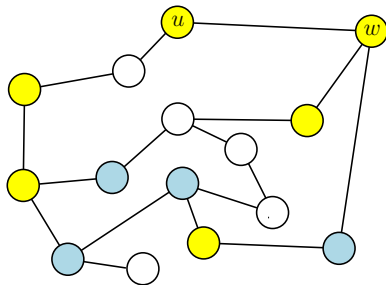
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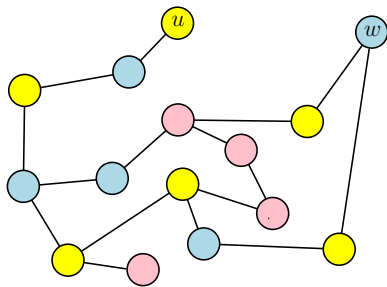
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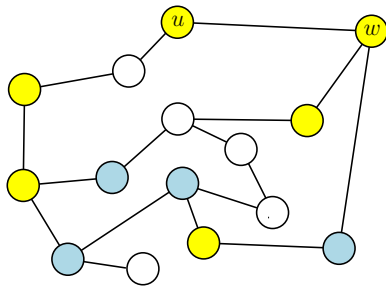
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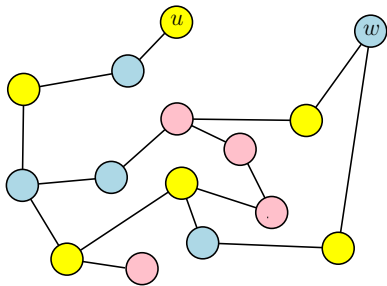
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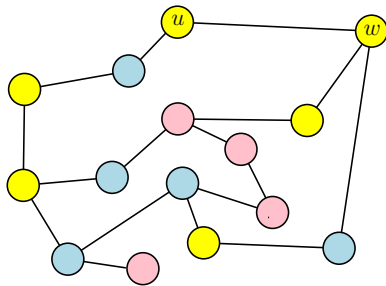
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when the disagreements cannot propagate any more
the remaining vertices keep the same assignment

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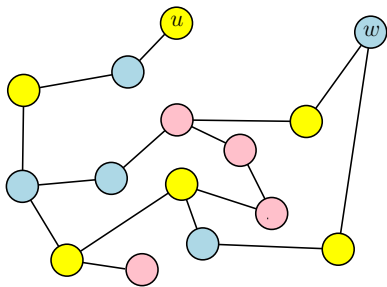


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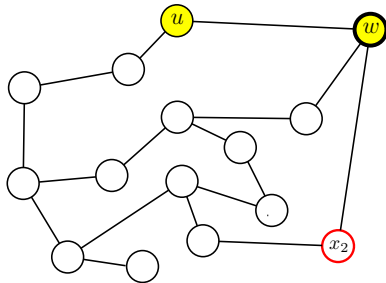


(G', τ)

To sum up ...



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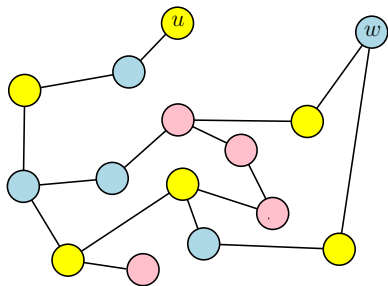


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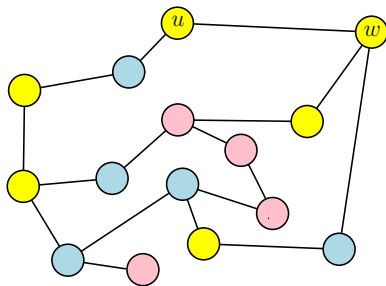
... another catch

disagreements should not cover *all* the vertices of a cycle in G'

To sum up ...



(G, σ)



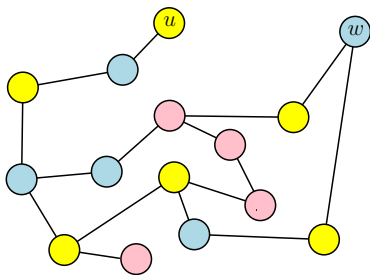
(G', τ)

Otherwise ...

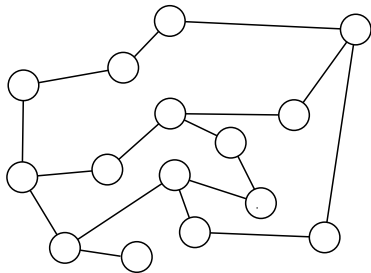
we have a **failure!**

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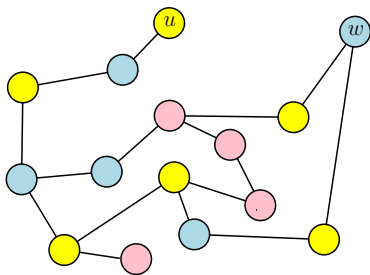


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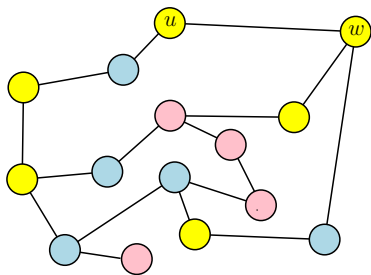


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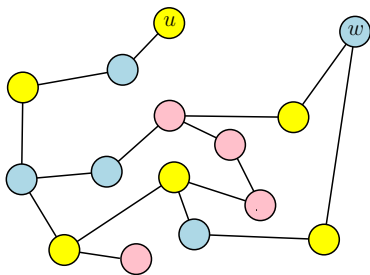


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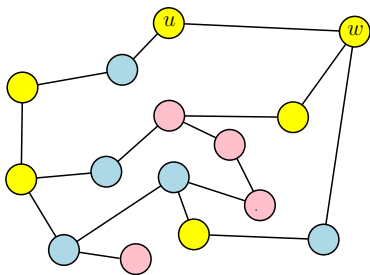


(G', τ)

Failure Vs Approximation



(G, σ)



(G', τ)

ℓ_1 -error for Update

- having a perfect sample at the input
- ℓ_1 -error \approx the probability of failure

The iterative algorithm

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The sampling algorithm

Input: $G = (V, E)$, Gibbs distribution μ

$G_0, G_1, \dots, G_r = G$

– get G_i from G_{i+1} by deleting the random edge $\{v_i, u_i\}$

– G_0 is **empty**

Generate σ_0 according to the Gibbs distribution at G_0

Iteratively: use σ_i with Update to generate σ_{i+1}

Output: σ_r

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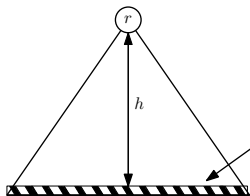
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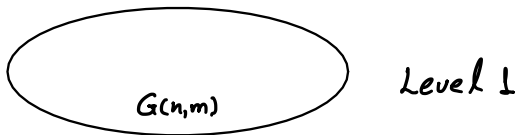
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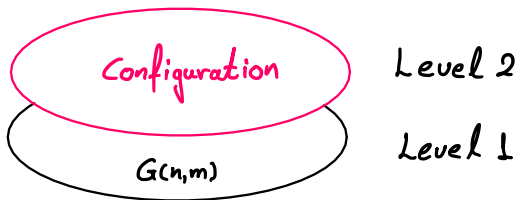
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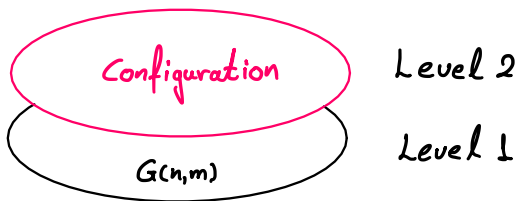
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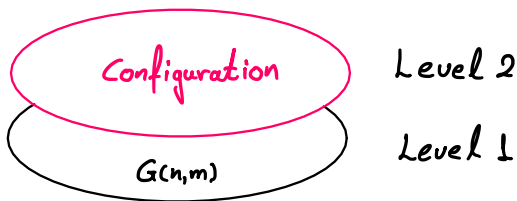


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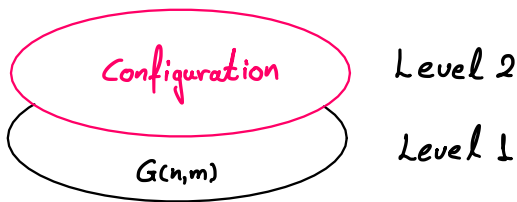
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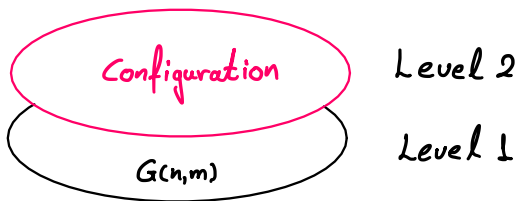
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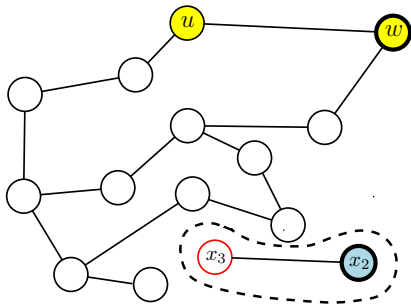


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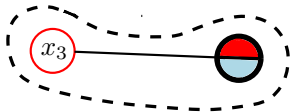
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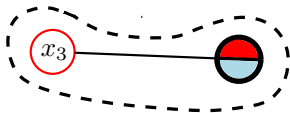


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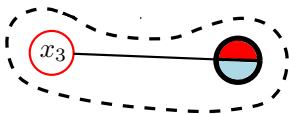


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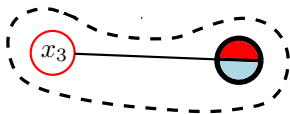
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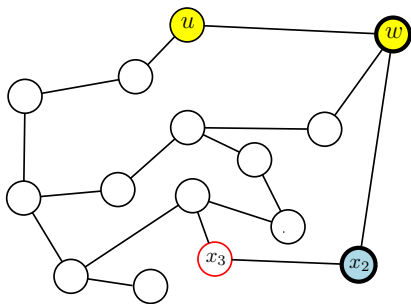


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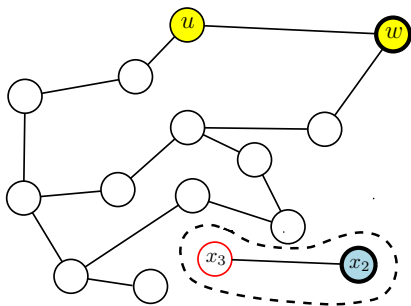
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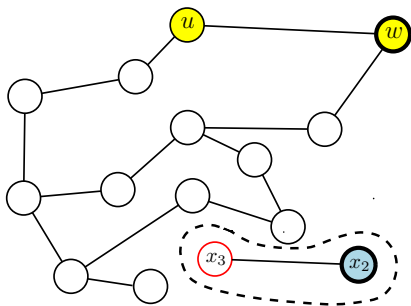
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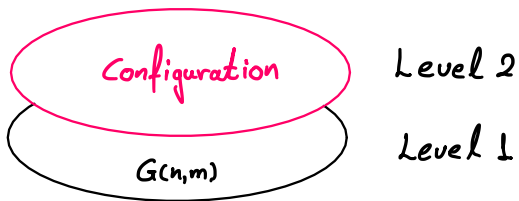
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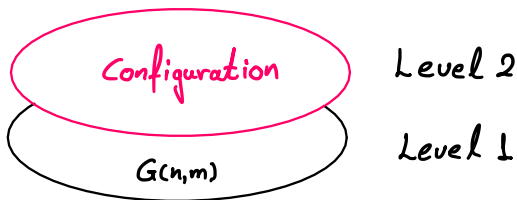
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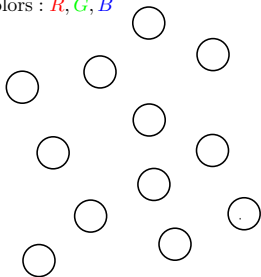
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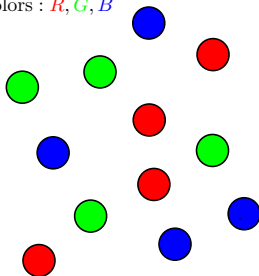
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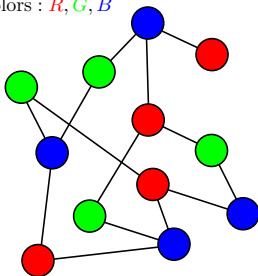
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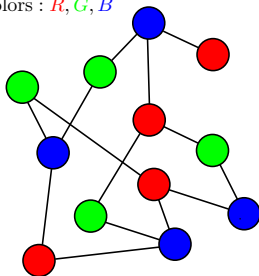
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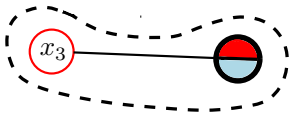
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Announcement

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$$\mathbf{E}[F_k(\beta \mathbf{J}_0)] \leq \frac{1-\delta}{d(k-1)}, \quad \mathbf{J}_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1),$$

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