

# On existence of Ramsey expansions

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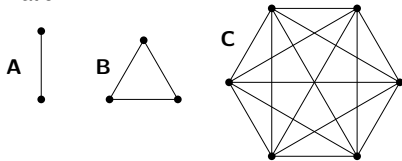
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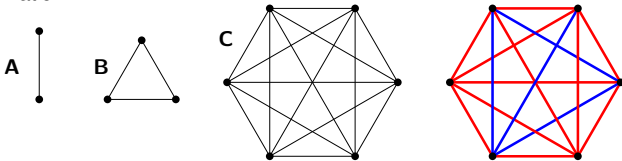
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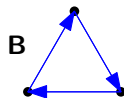
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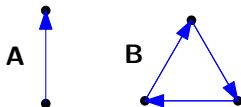


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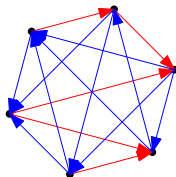


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Vertices of **C** can be linearly ordered and edges coloured accordingly:

- If edge goes forward in linear order it is **red**
- **blue** otherwise.



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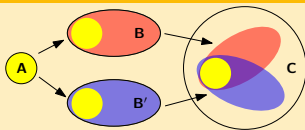
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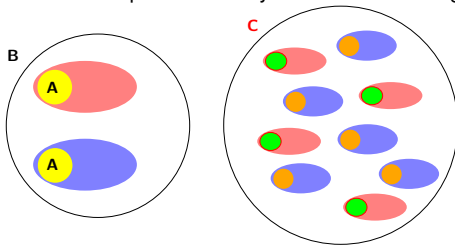
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# Ramsey classes are amalgamation classes

## Definition (Amalgamation)



Nešetřil, 80's: Under mild assumptions Ramsey classes have amalgamation property.



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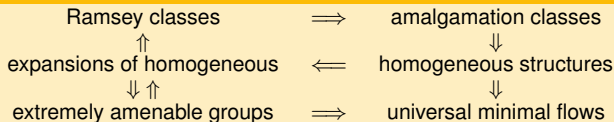
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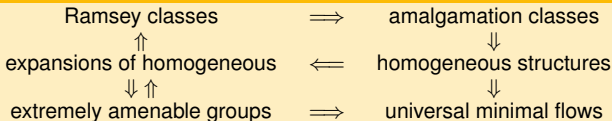
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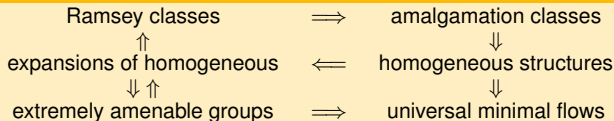
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## Theorem (Nešetřil, 1989)

*All (countably infinite) homogeneous graphs have Ramsey expansion.*

Proved using Lachlan—Woodrow catalogue of homogeneous graphs

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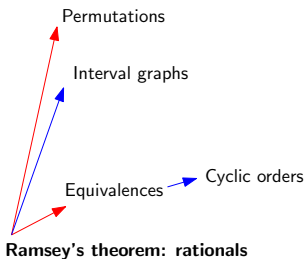
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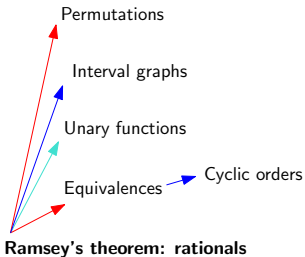
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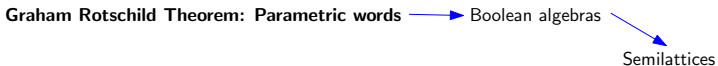


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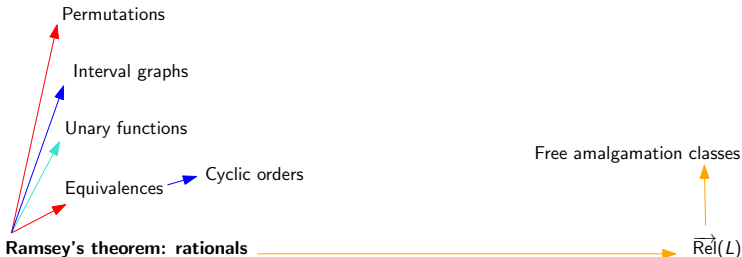
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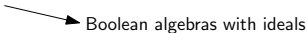
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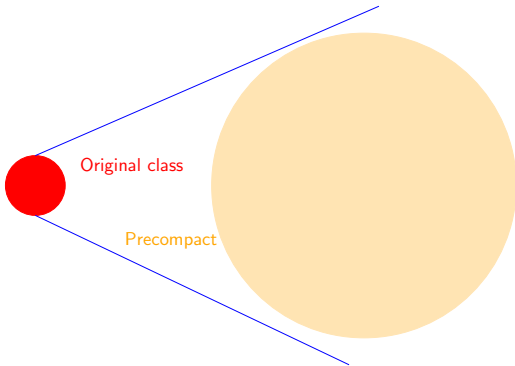


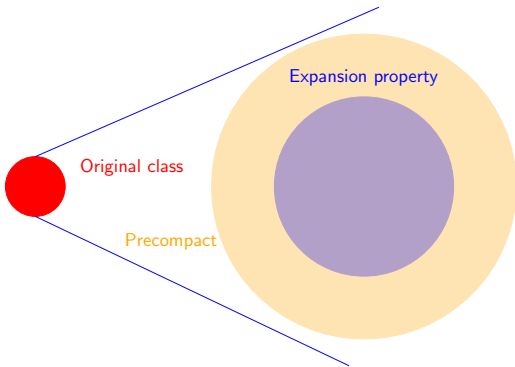
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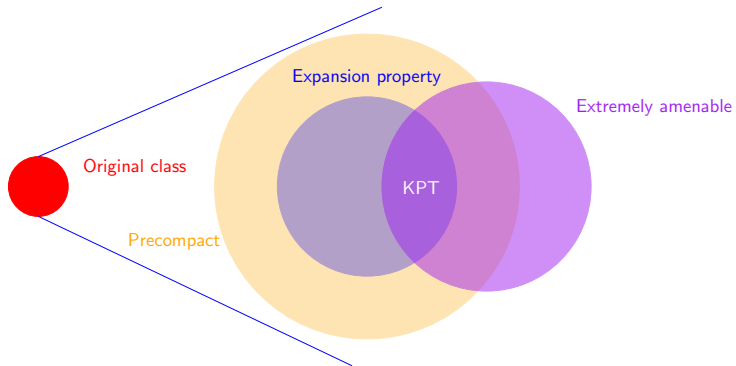


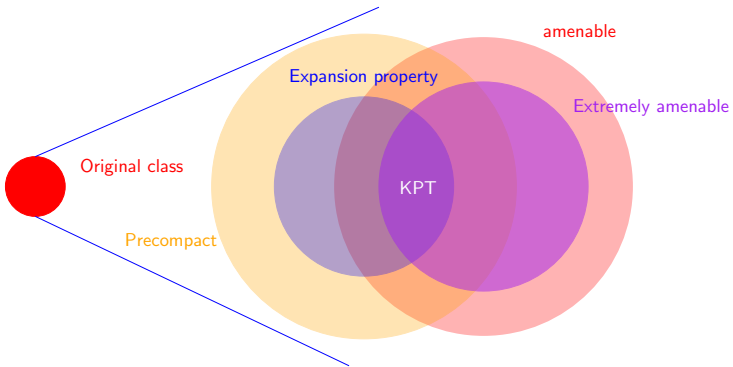
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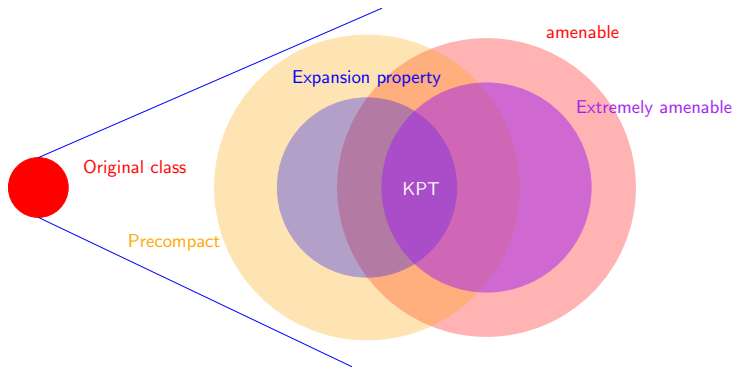










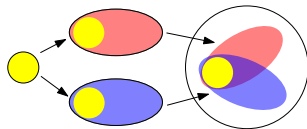


Theorem (Jasiński, Laflamme, Nguyen Van Thé, Woodrow, 2014)

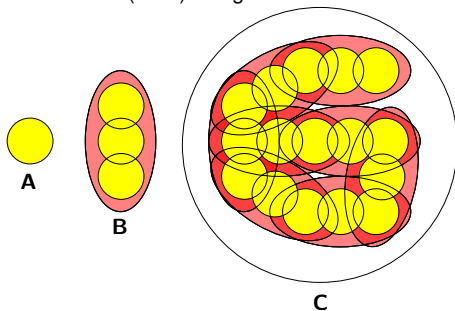
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Proved case by case using Cherlin's catalogue

# Why Ramsey objects are hard to construct?



The Nešetřil-Rödl partite construction of Ramsey object demands more complicated (multi)amalgamations.



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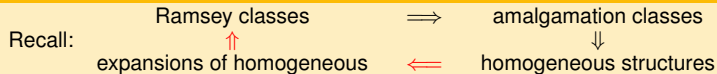
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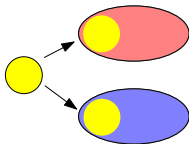
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	Ramsey classes	$\implies$	amalgamation classes
Recall:	$\uparrow$		$\downarrow$
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We get:	strong amalgamation + order + local finiteness $\implies$ Ramsey		

What is local finiteness?

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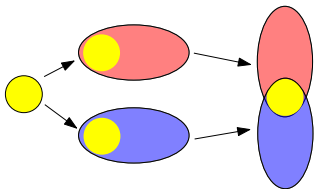
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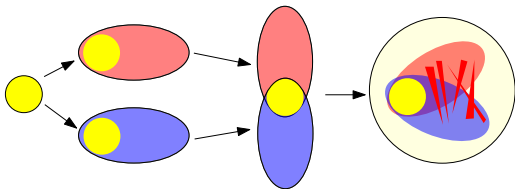
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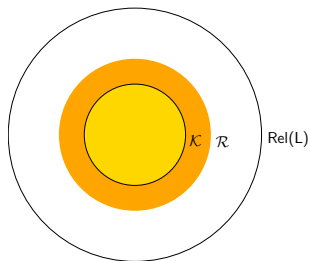
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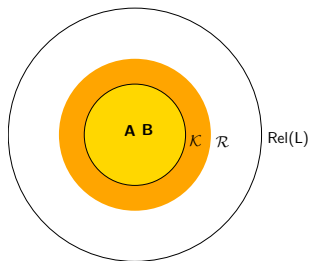
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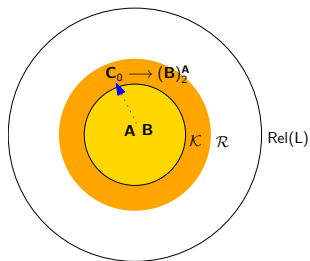
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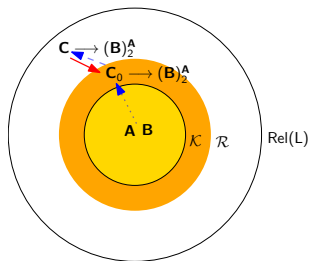
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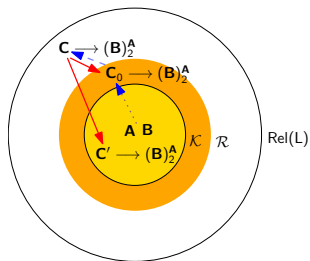




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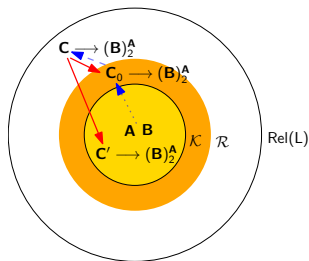
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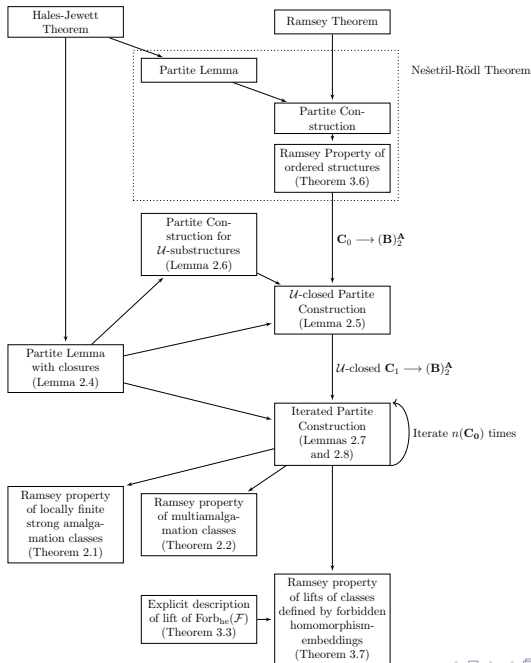


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Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a class of finite irreducible structures and  $\mathcal{K}$  a subclass of  $\mathcal{R}$ . We say that the class  $\mathcal{K}$  is **locally finite subclass** of  $\mathcal{R}$  if for every  $\mathbf{C}_0 \in \mathcal{R}$  there is  $n = n(\mathbf{C}_0)$  such that every structure  $\mathbf{C}$  has completion in  $\mathcal{K}$  providing that it satisfies the following:

- 1 there is a homomorphism-embedding from  $\mathbf{C}$  to  $\mathbf{C}_0$
- 2 every substructure of  $\mathbf{C}$  with at most  $n$  vertices has a completion in  $\mathcal{K}$ .

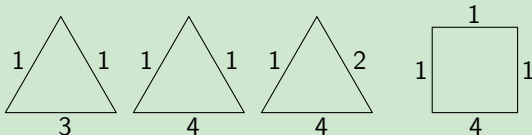
**homomorphism-embedding** is a homomorphism which is an embedding on every irreducible substructure.



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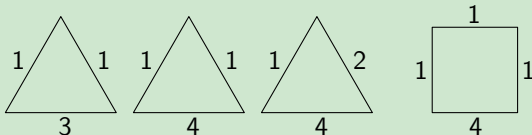
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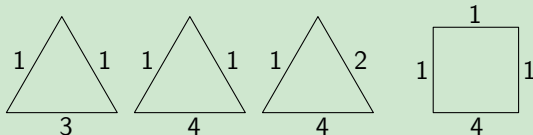


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**Theorem (Nešetřil, 2007)**

*The class  $\vec{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  of all metric spaces with rational distances is Ramsey.*

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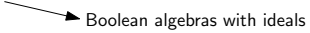
- 1 Common generalisation of all known symmetric binary Ramsey classes with strong amalgamation
- 2 May cover all homogeneous symmetric binary structures in the finite language

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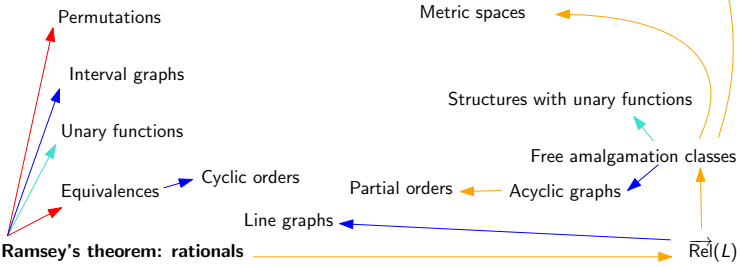
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## Open problems and future work

Amalgamation classes where Ramsey expansion is not known:

- 1 Graphs omitting (induced or non-induced) 4-cycles  $\implies$  Rank 3 matroids
- 2 Steiner systems omitting short odd cycles and/or 4-cycle
- 3 Affinely independent Euclidian metric spaces
- 4 “Dual-type” structures, such as finite measure algebras

Dual (projective) variant of our main theorem is work in progress.

Extension property for partial automorphisms is implied by local finiteness + automorphism preserving completion.

# Negative result

Theorem (Evans, 2015+)

*There is a countable,  $\omega$ -categorical structure  $\mathbf{M}_F$  no precompact Ramsey expansion.*

Counter-example was given by Hrushovski construction.



## Three variants of David's example

- $\mathcal{C}_0$ : The easy example
- $\mathcal{C}_1$ : The kindergarten example
- $\mathcal{C}_F$ : The actual counter-example

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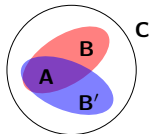
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## Lemma

$C_0$  is closed for free amalgamation over self-sufficient substructures.

## Proof.

$$\delta(\mathbf{C}) = \delta(\mathbf{B}) + \delta(\mathbf{B}') - \delta(\mathbf{A}). \quad \square$$



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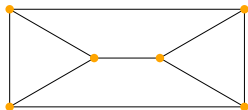
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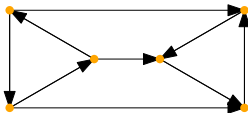


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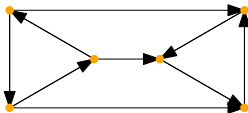


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Corollary

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Proof.

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- As  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{M}_0^+)$  is extremely amenable, there is some  $\mathbf{S} \in X(\mathbf{M}_0)$  which is fixed by  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{M}_0^+)$ .
- $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{M}_0^+)$  is a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{S})$ .

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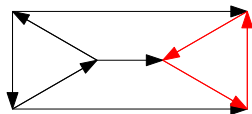
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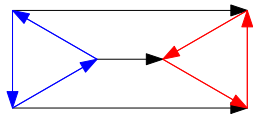


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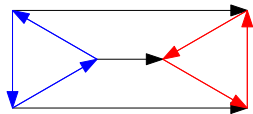


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## Proof.

- Every vertex  $v \in \mathbf{M}_0^+$  has out-degree at most 2, but infinite in-degree.
- Oriented path  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow v_2 \dots v_n$  always extends by a vertex  $v_0$  to  $v_0 \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow v_2 \dots v_n$ .

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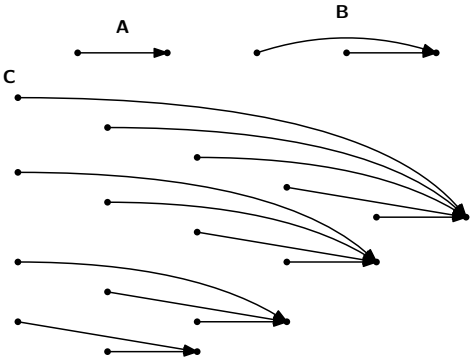
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- Given  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{D}_0^{\prec}$  put  $N \rightarrow (|B|)_2^{|\mathbf{A}|}$ .
- Extend language by unary predicates  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N$ .
- Given  $|B|$  tuple  $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{|B|})$ , denote by  $\mathbf{B}_{\vec{b}}$  expansion of  $\mathbf{B}$  where  $i$ -th vertex is in relation  $R_{b_i}$ .
- $P_0$  is a disjoint union of  $\mathbf{B}_{\vec{v}}$ ,  $v \in \binom{[N]}{|B|}$ .
- Put  $u \sim v$  if successor-closure of  $u$  is isomorphic to  $v$ .
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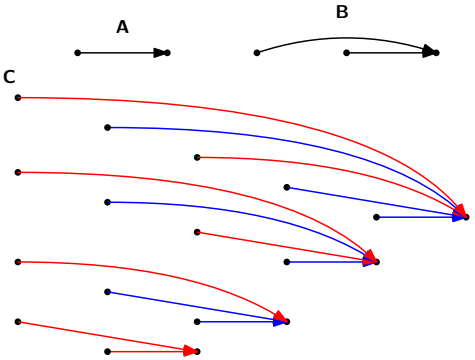


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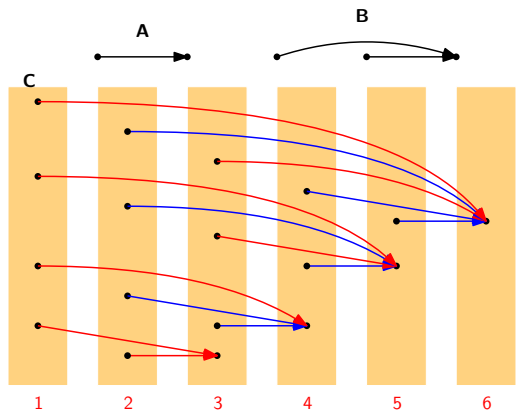
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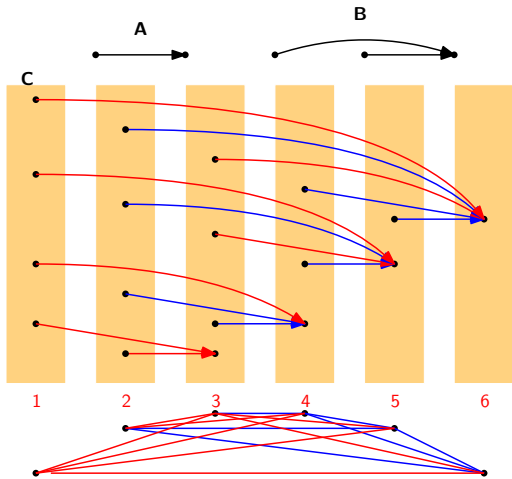
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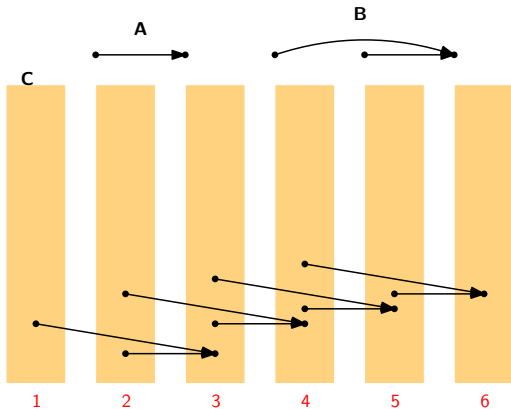
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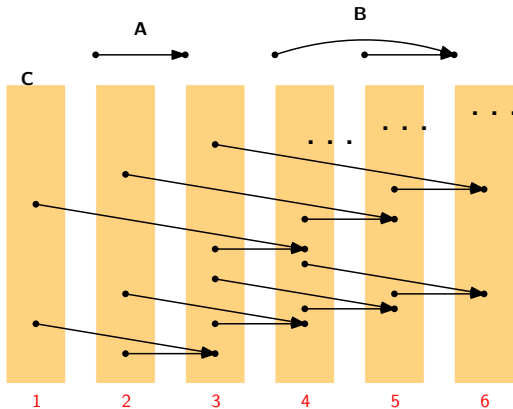
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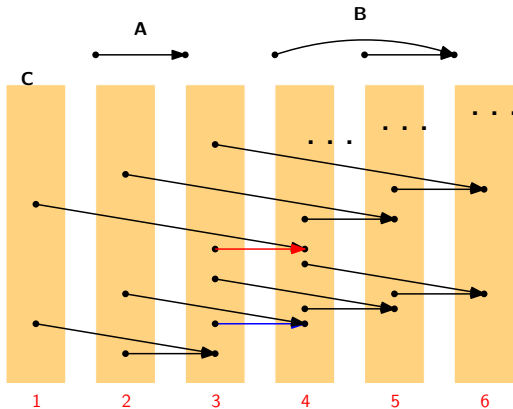
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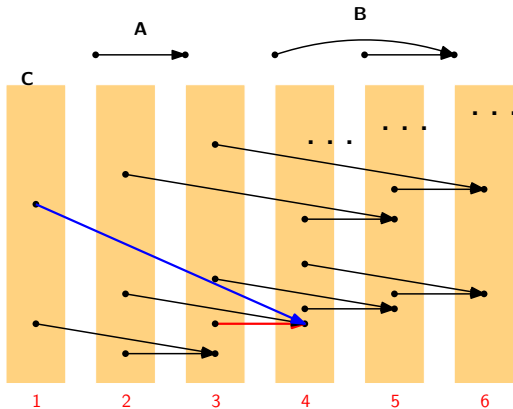
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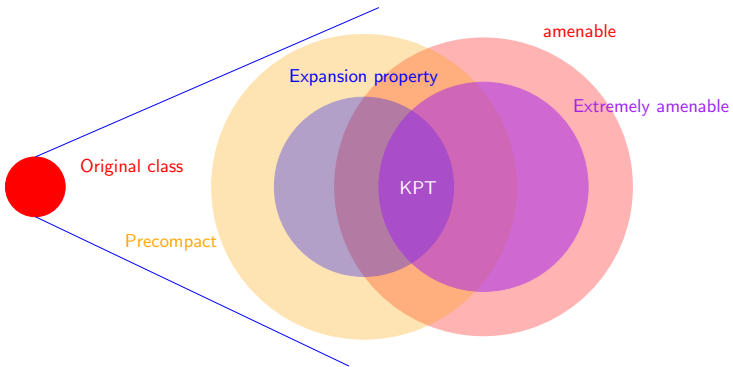
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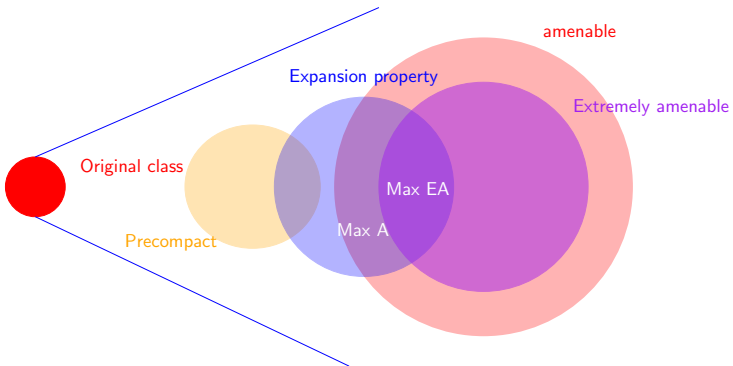
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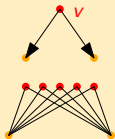
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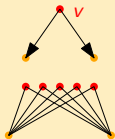
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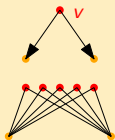
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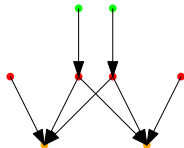
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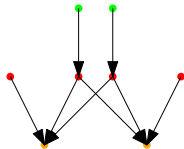
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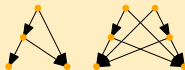
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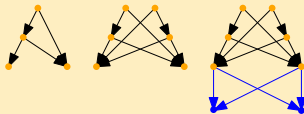
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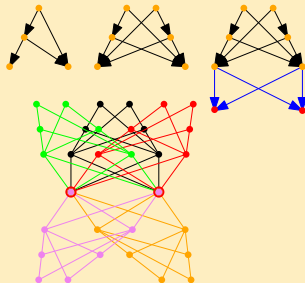
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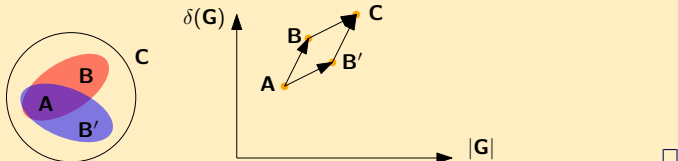
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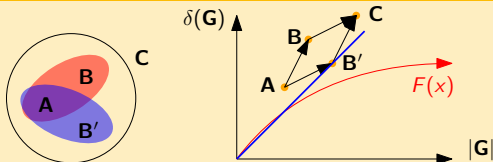
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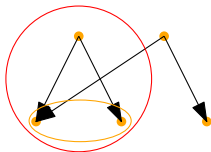
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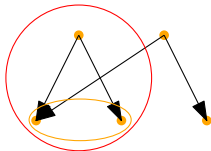
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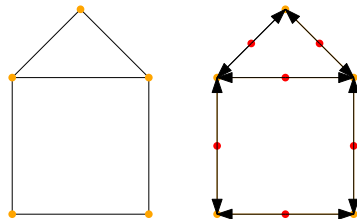
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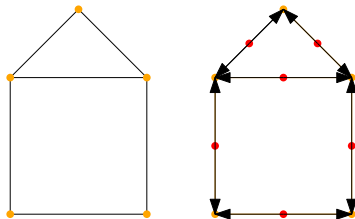
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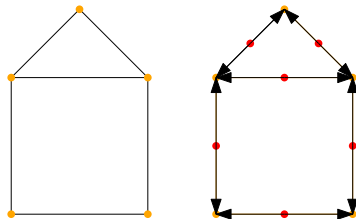
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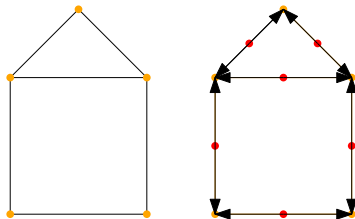
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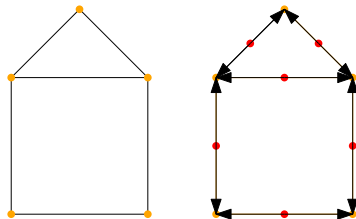
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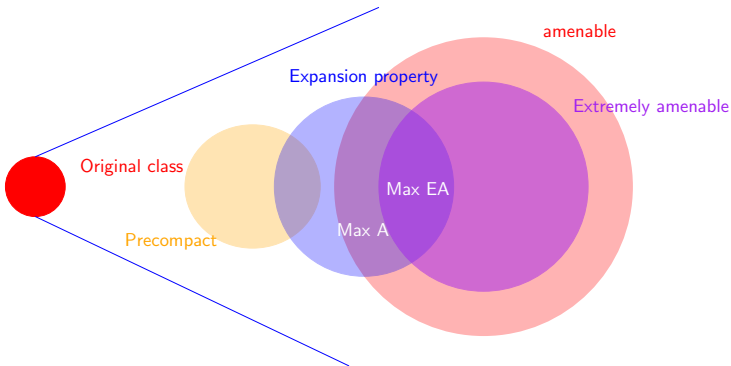
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