

Generalized p-angulations in higher dimension

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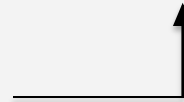
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- **Large N limit** (physical limit of small Newton constant) :

configurations which maximize

-  : Continuum limit \rightarrow quantum space-time

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D=2 : continuum limit = Brownian map

Hausdorff dimension 4, homeomorphic to S^2 ,

Quantum sphere of Liouville quantum gravity (Miller, Sheffield, 2016)

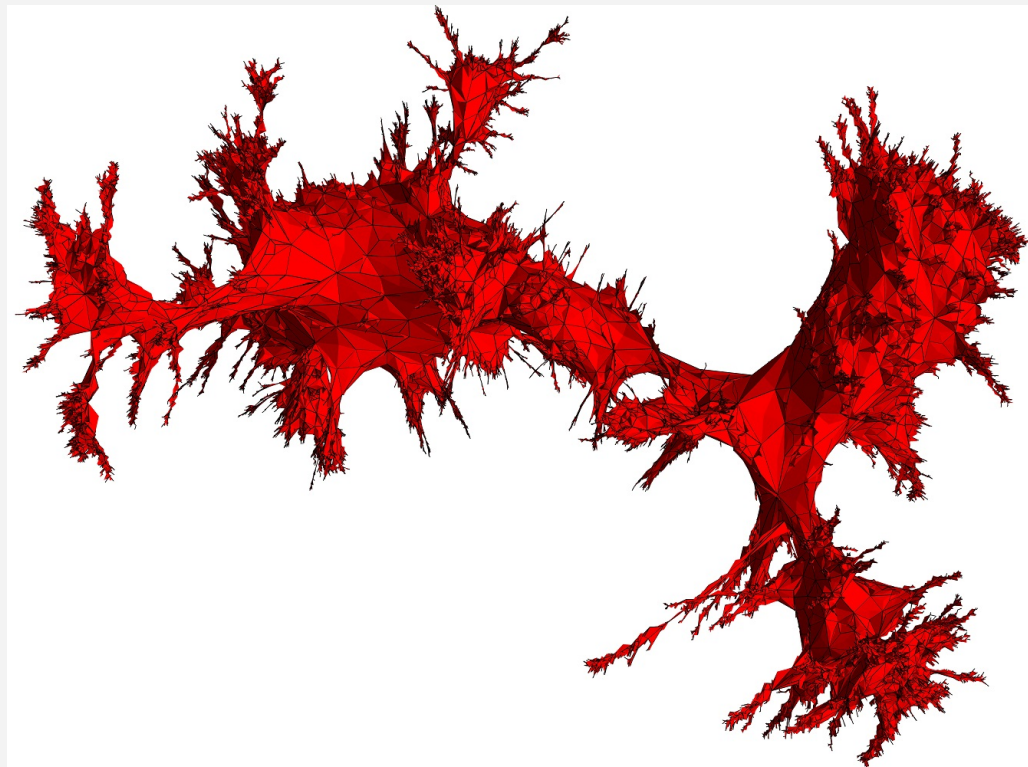


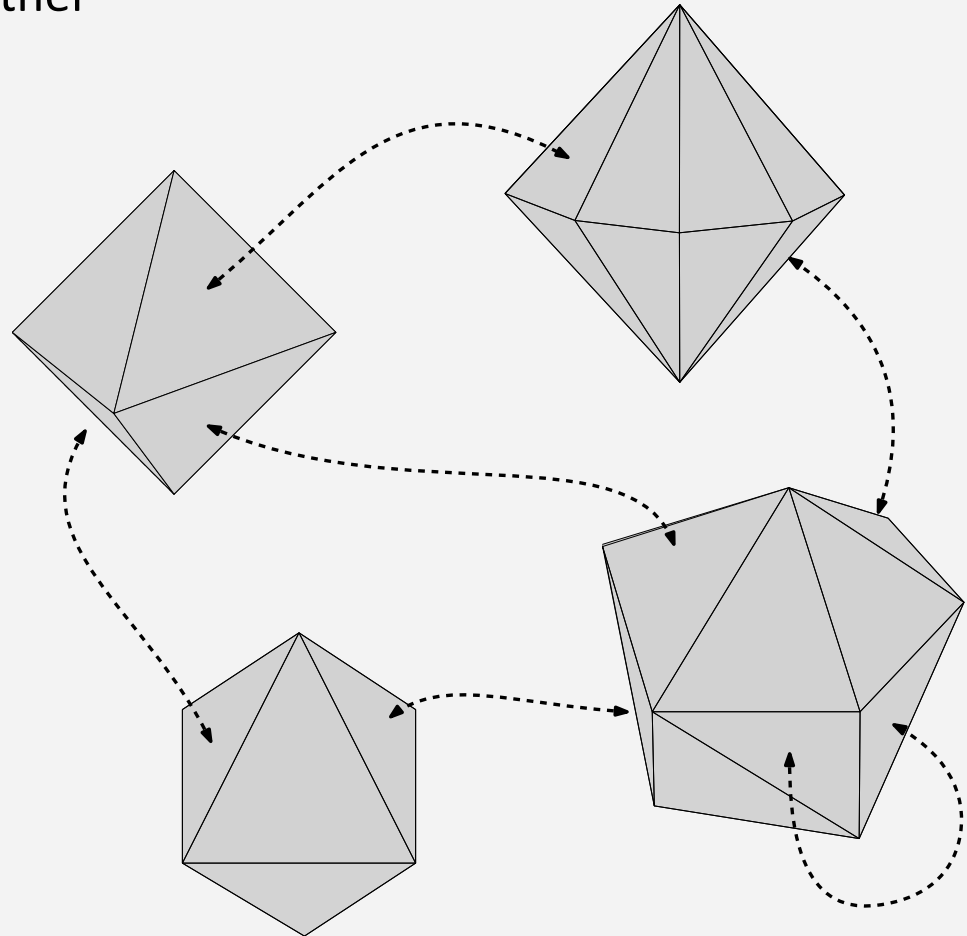
Fig : J. Bettinelli

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$D > 2$: Basic idea

- Glue **building blocks** together

“Quanta of space-time”



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- Count maximal configurations : generating function has a *singularity*
→ continuum limit → space-time

→ *critical exponent* ? ... Hausdorff dimension ? Fractal dimension ? Etc.

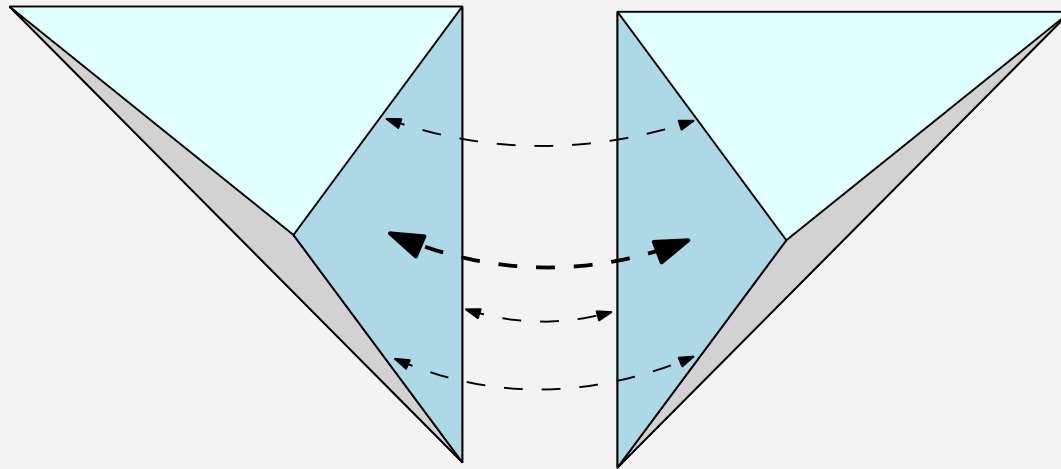
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Simplicial pseudo-complexes obtained by gluing D-simplices

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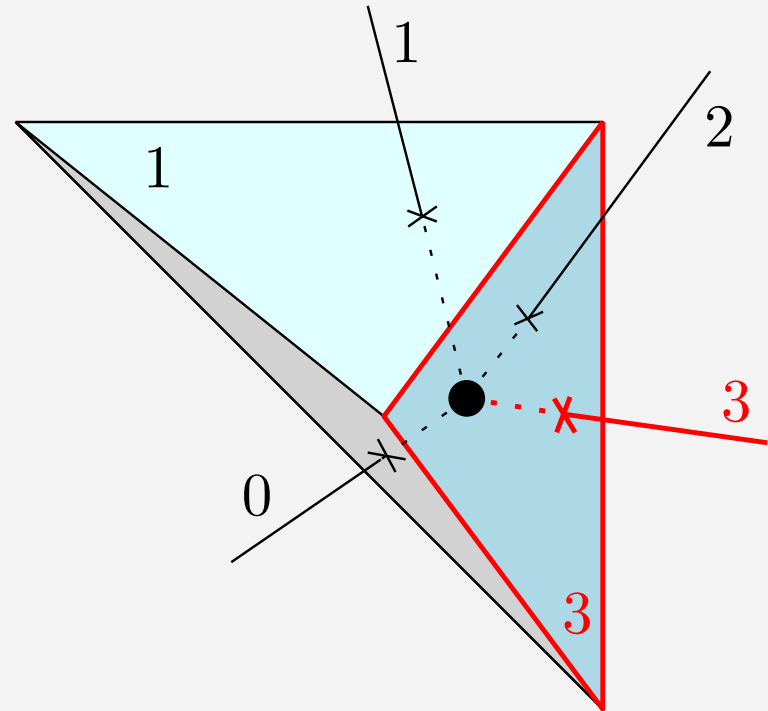
with matching colors on their sub-simplices



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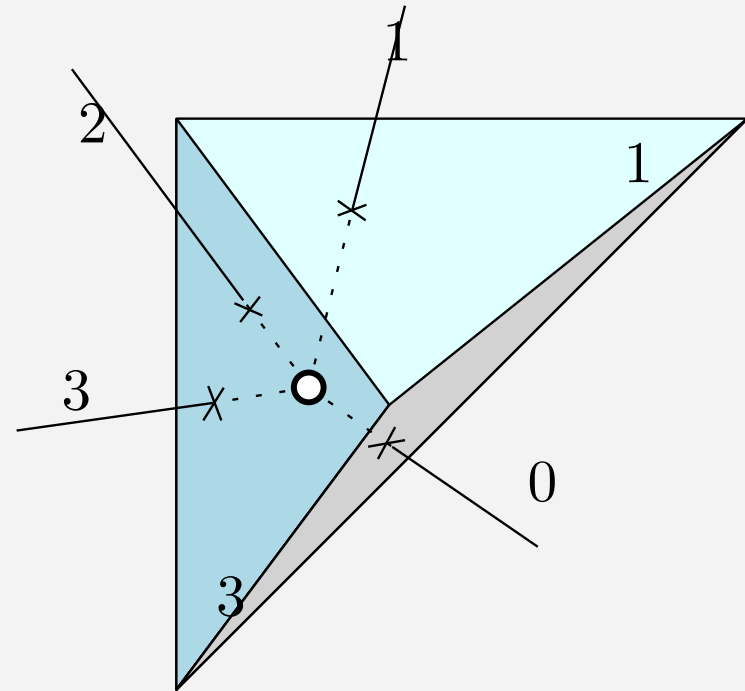


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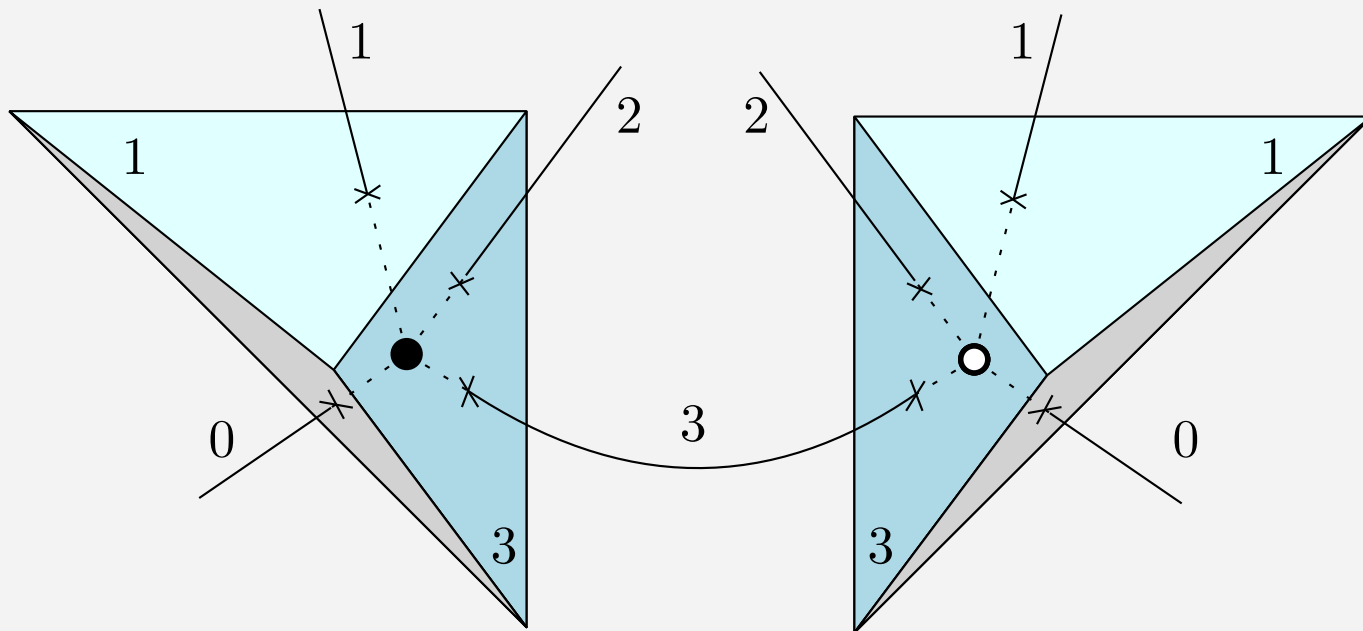
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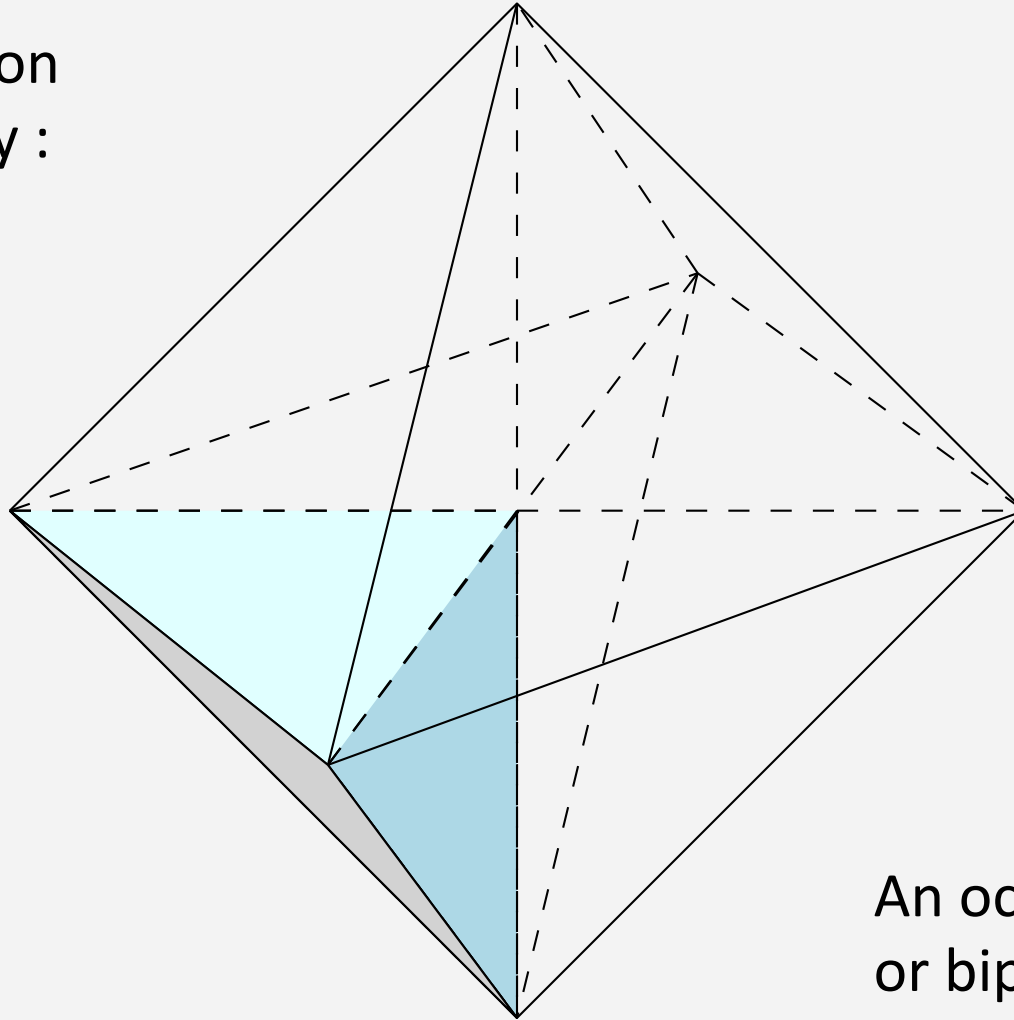
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A color- i edge encodes the gluing of two color- i “faces” (D-1 simplices) in the *unique* possible way



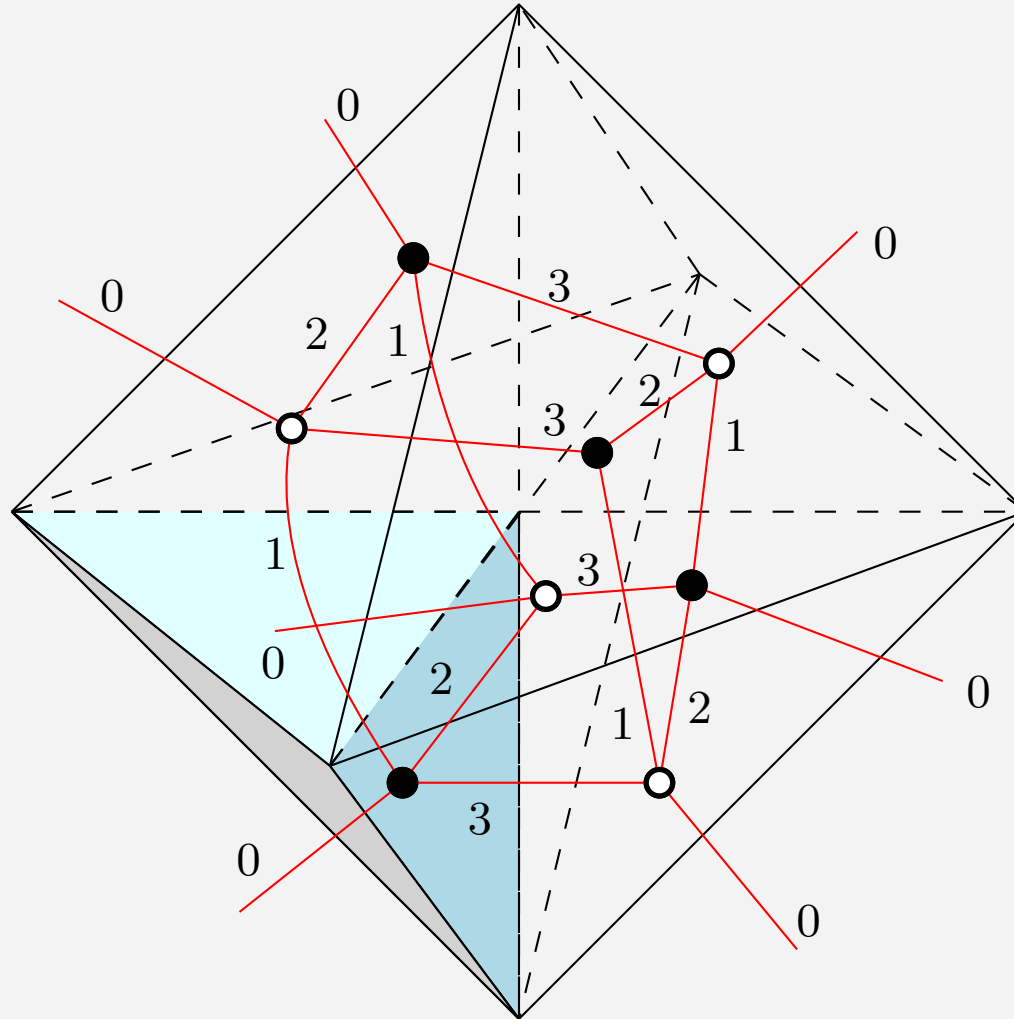
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3D triangulation
with boundary :

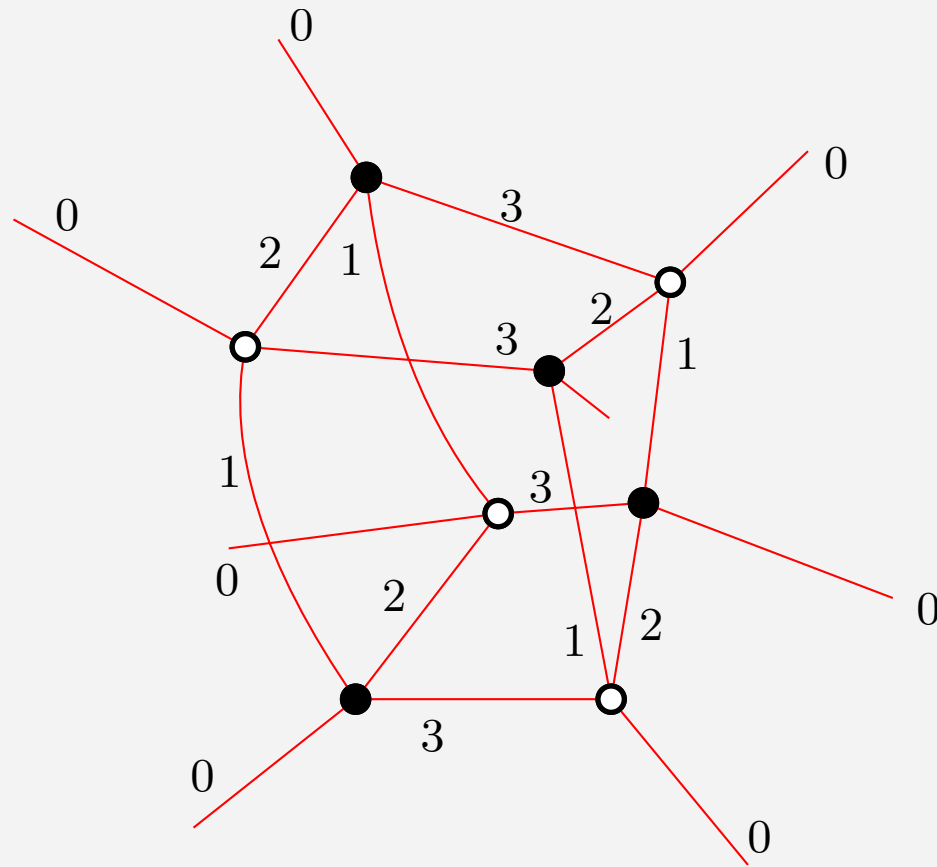


An octahedron,
or bipyramid...

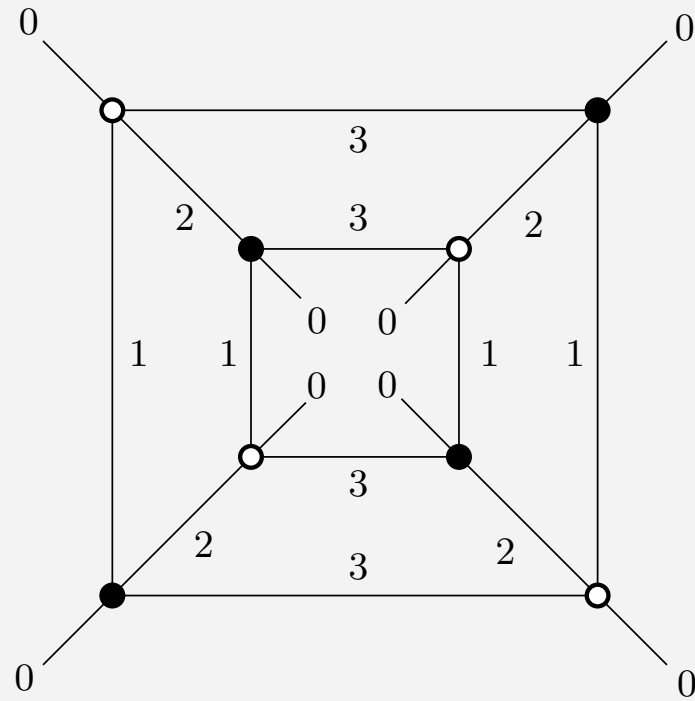
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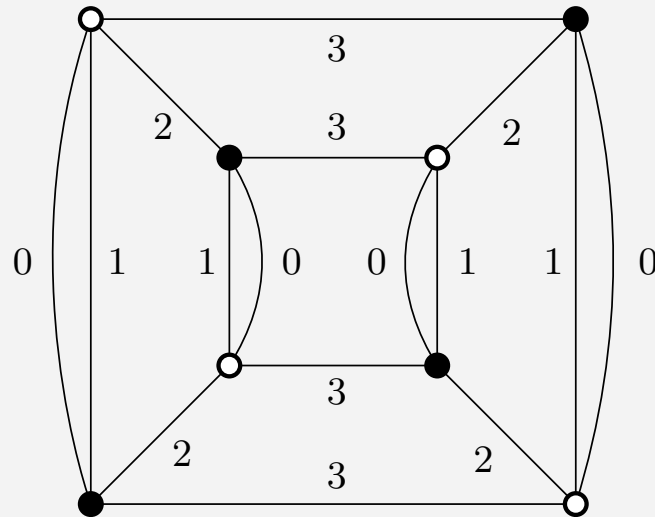
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D -dimensional colored
triangulation of an **orientable**
pseudo-manifold



Regular **bipartite** $(D+1)$ -edge-
colored graph

(Pezzana, Ferri, Gagliardi, Casali, Grasselli, Cristofori... '74 until now)

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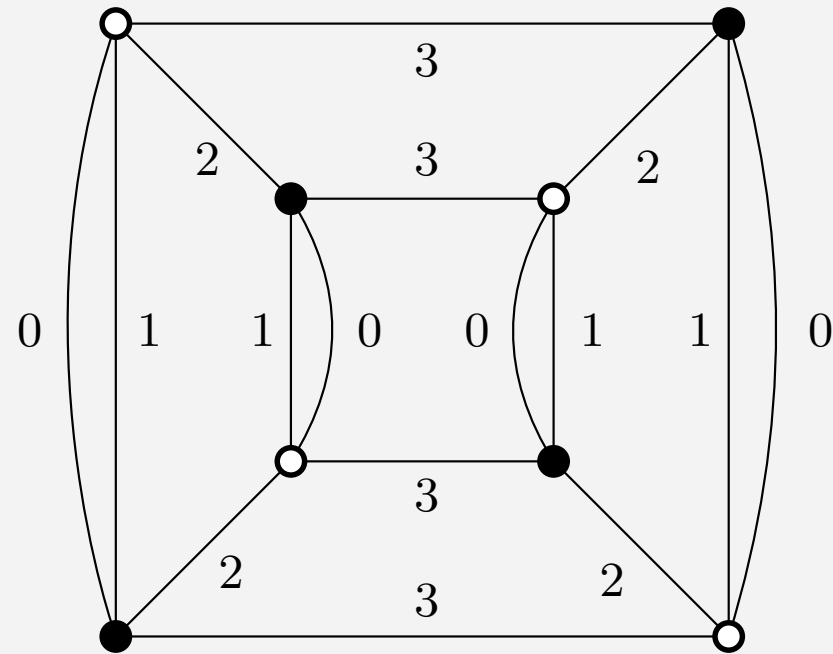
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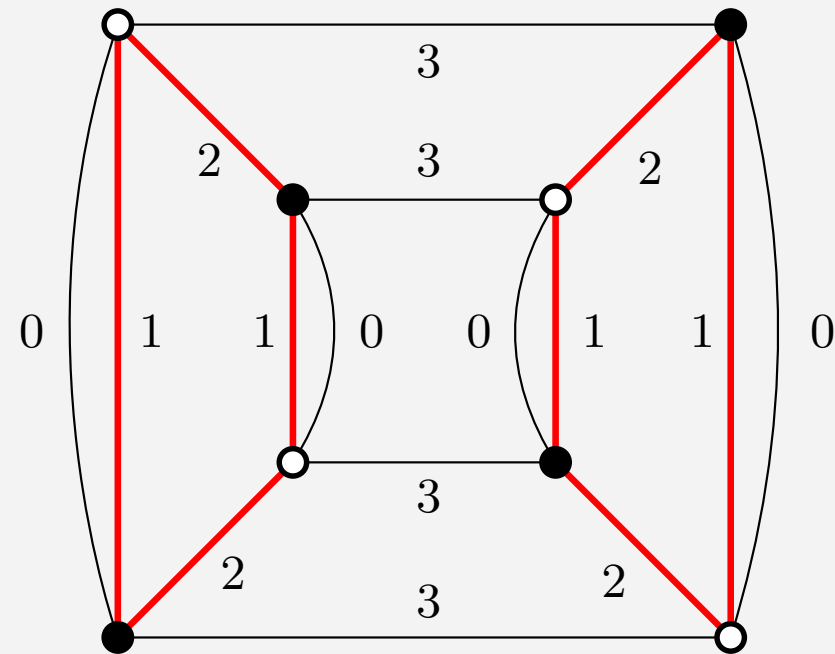
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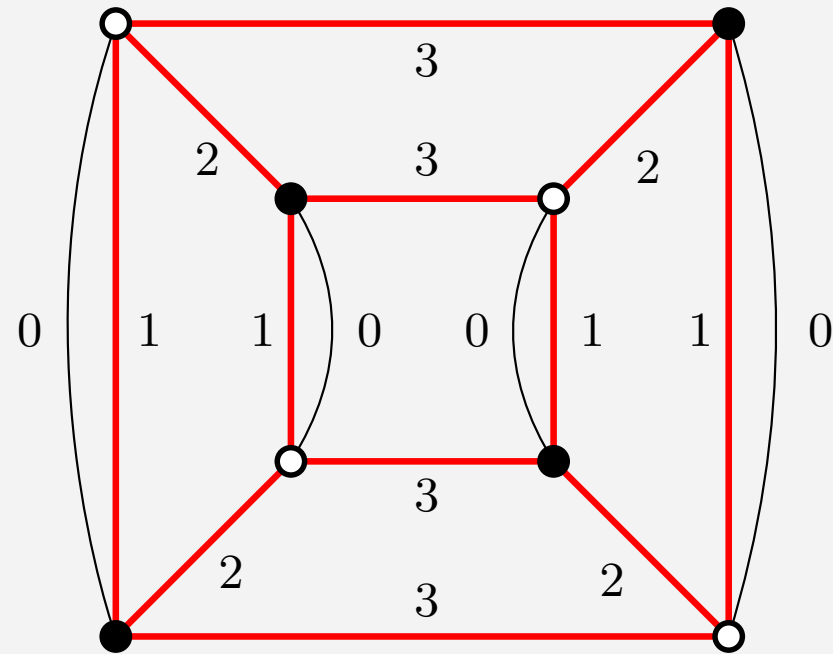
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We are interested in configurations with maximal number of $(D-2)$ simplices at fixed number of D -simplices.

- $D=2$: maximal # vertices, fixed # triangles
→ minimize the genus
- $D=3$: maximal # edges, fixed # tetrahedra

Dual picture : graphs that maximize the number of two-colored cycles at fixed number of vertices.

→ « *maximal graphs* »

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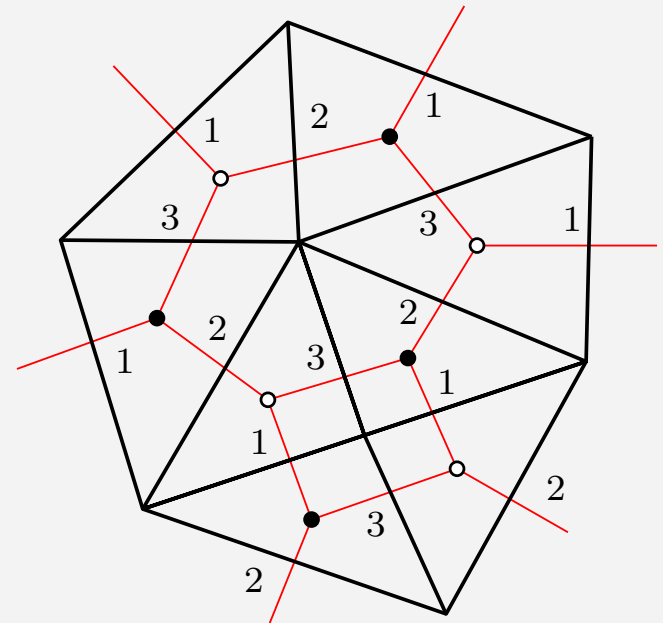
$$V = 2 + \frac{F}{2} \iff g = 0$$

→ planar triangulations

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{16} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} n^{-\frac{5}{2}} \left(\frac{256}{27} \right)^n \propto n^{\gamma-2} \lambda_c^{-n}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\gamma = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

Continuum limit = brownian map

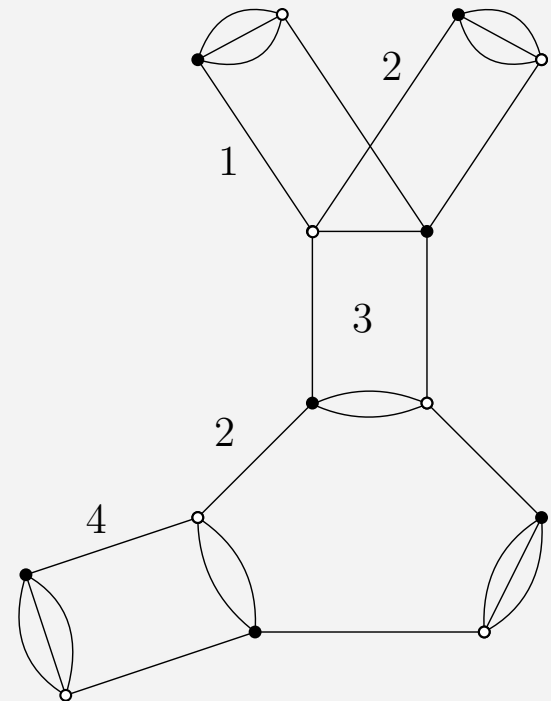


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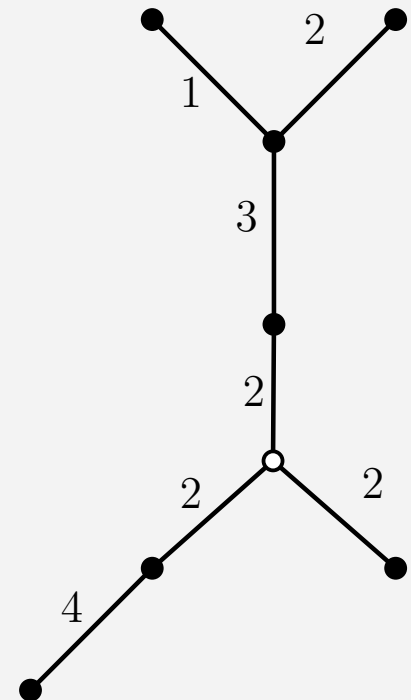
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Tree-like structure

→

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$$

Continuum limit = continuous random tree
...not a good space-time candidate...



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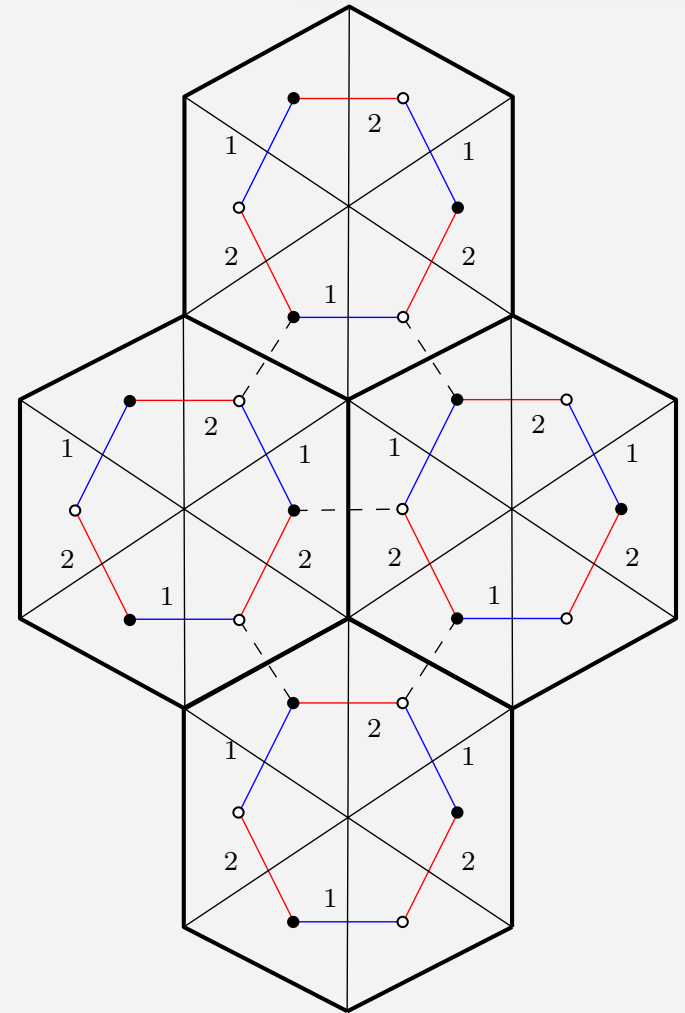
p-angulation in 2D

Maximize the number of vertices at fixed number of p-gons

$$n_{\text{vertices}} \leq 2 + \frac{p-2}{2} n_{p\text{-gons}}$$

→ Selects planar p-angulations,
as before for triangulations

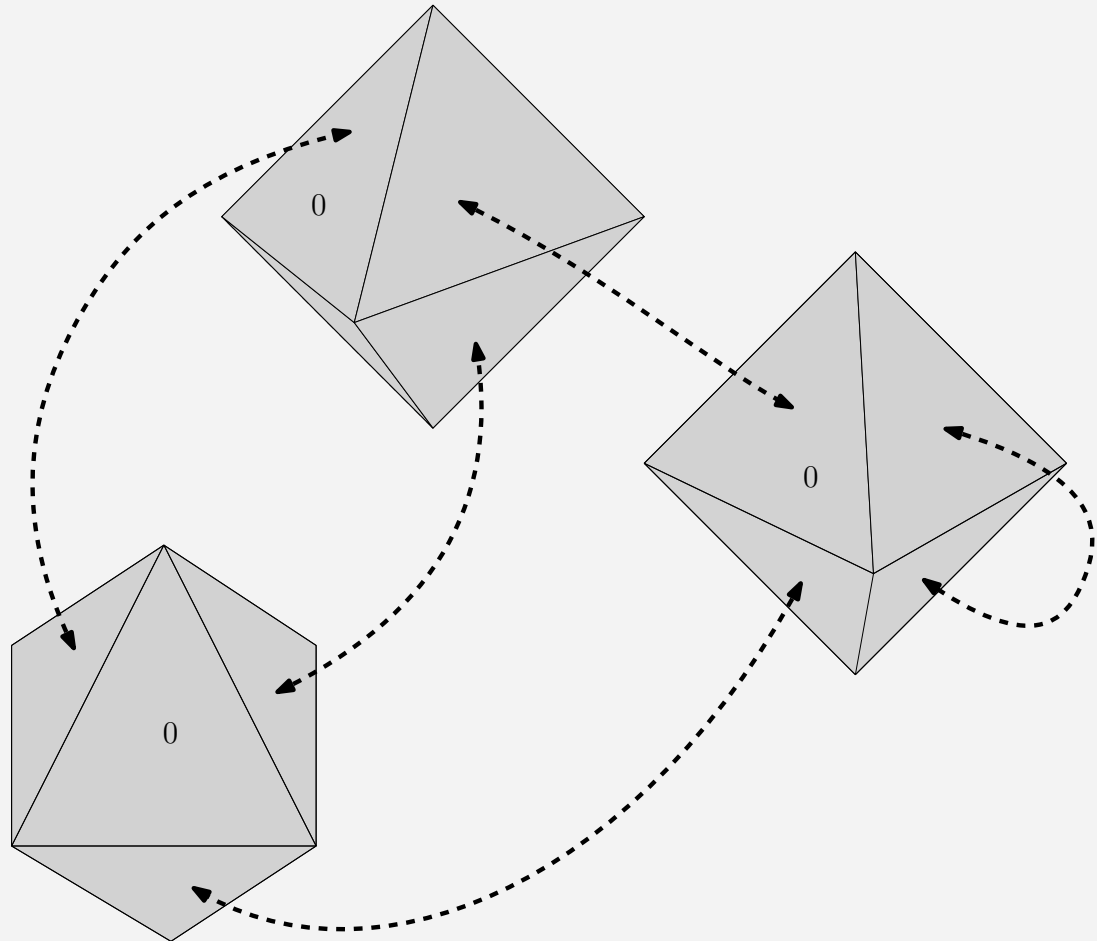
→ **Universality** (critical exponent, continuum limit...)



hexangulation, locally

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p -angulation in higher dimension

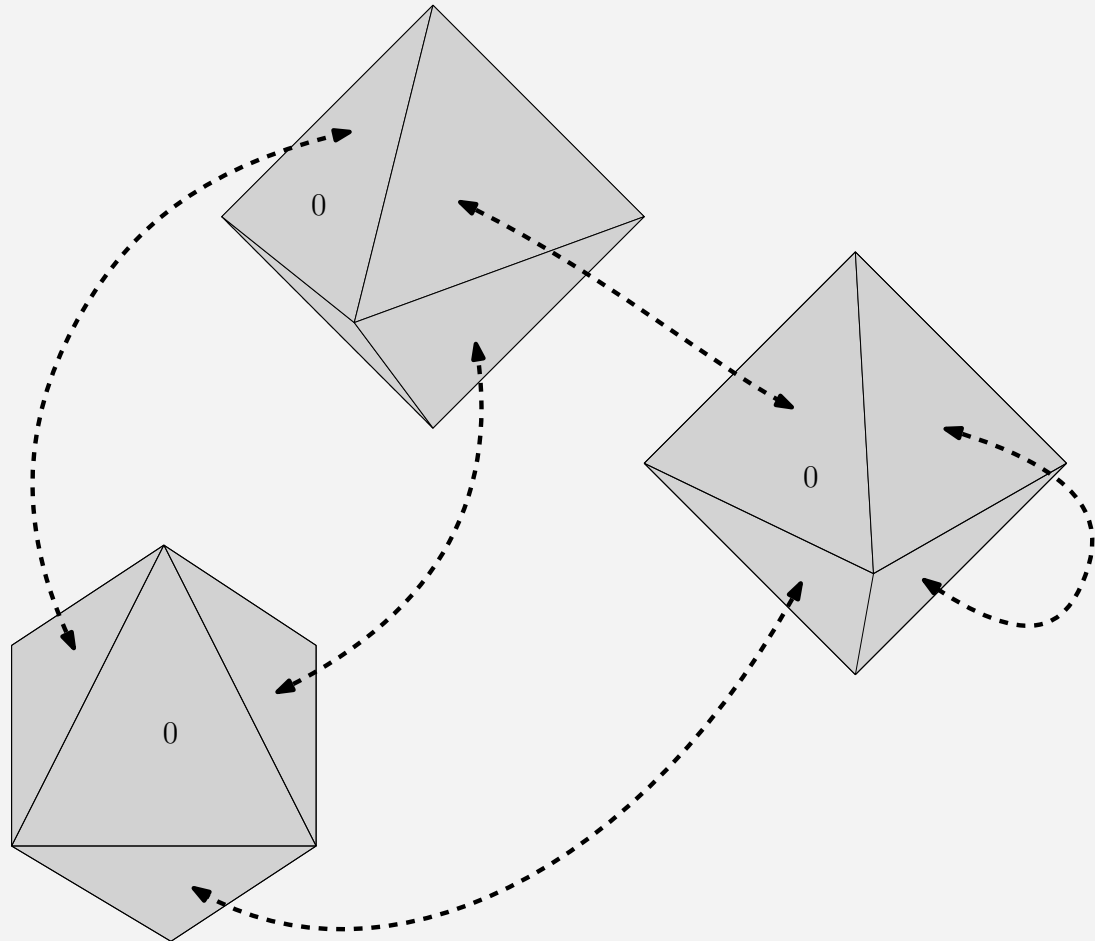


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Gluings of **building blocks** with p external faces of color 0 in dimension D

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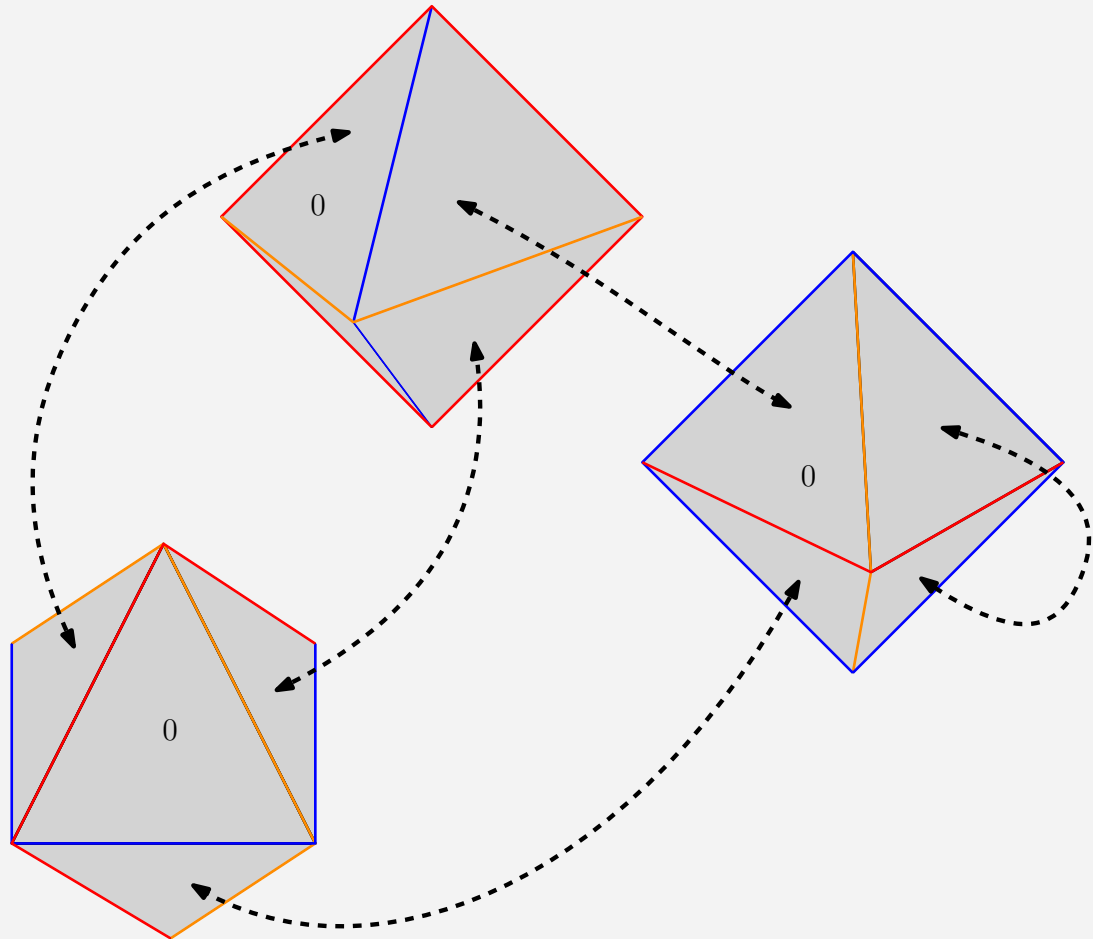
8-angulation in 3D



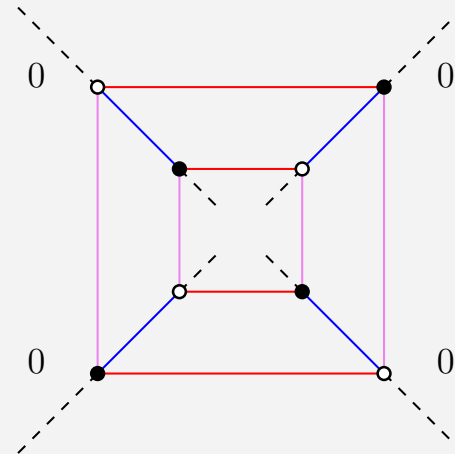
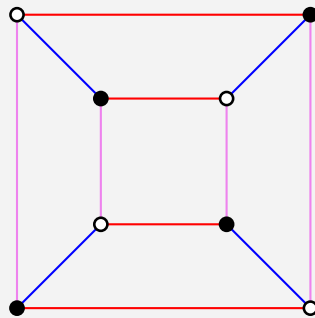
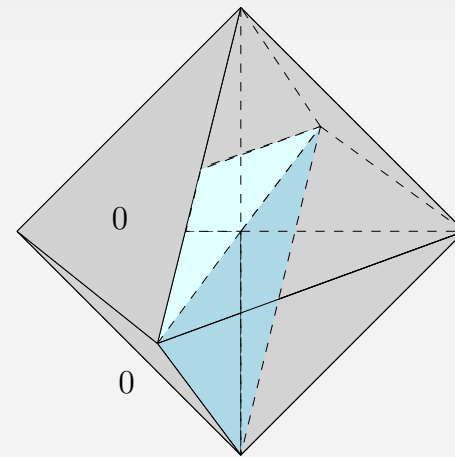
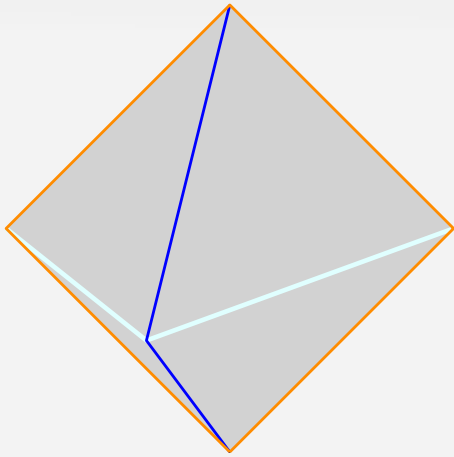
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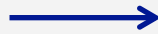


Colored triangulation of the
boundary (**dim D-1**)

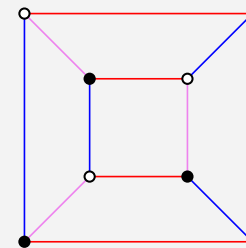
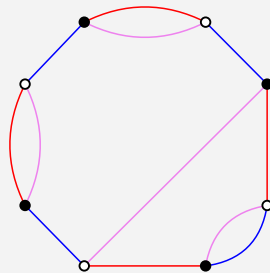
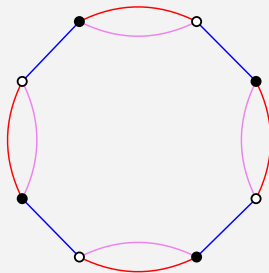
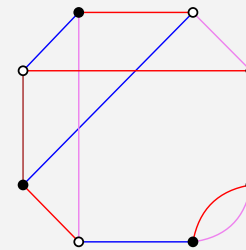
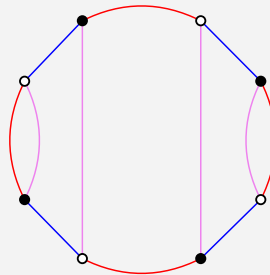
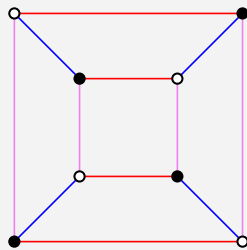
Topological cone with
colored facets (**dim D**)

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Building block
(size p , dim D)



Triangulation of its boundary
(p vertices, dim $D-1$)



spherical boundary

toroidal boundary

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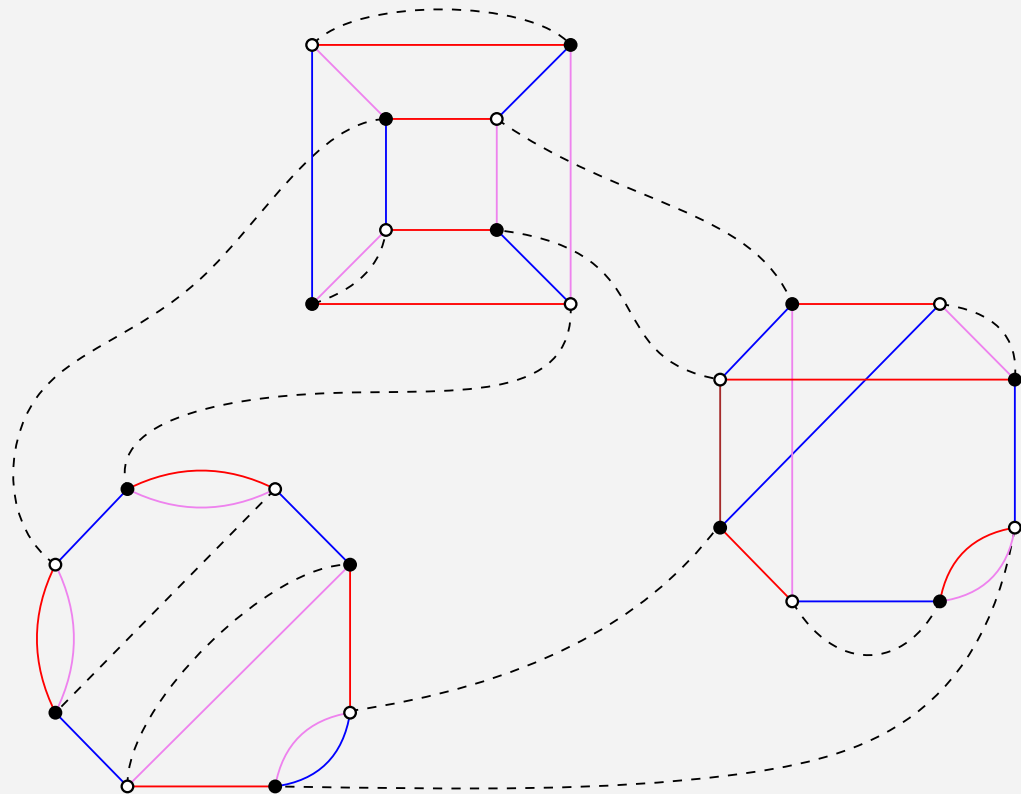
Dual picture

An edge of color 0 (dashed) identifies two faces (D-1 simplices) of color 0

e.g. :

8-angulation in 3D

→ 4-colored graph



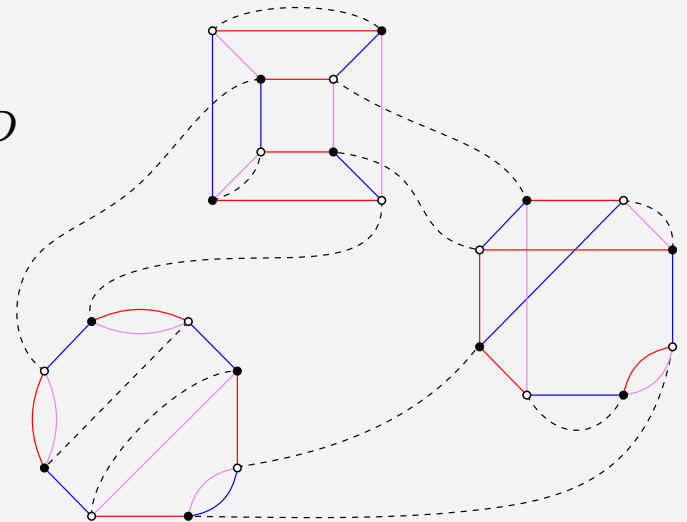
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N.B : building blocks made of D-simplices $\rightarrow n_{D-2} \leq D + \frac{D(D-1)}{4} n_D$

always true but **not saturated!!** and finite # gluings per order (Gurau-Schaeffer)

\rightarrow Find smallest a such that $n_{D-2} \leq D + a n_D$

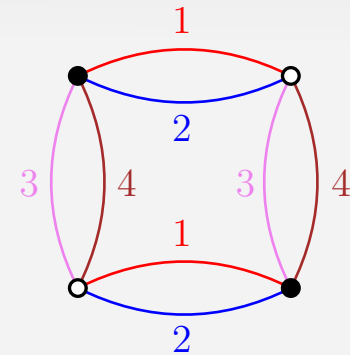
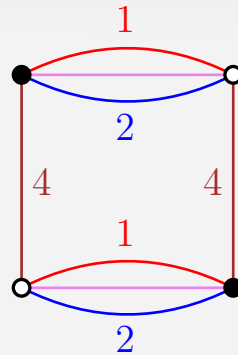
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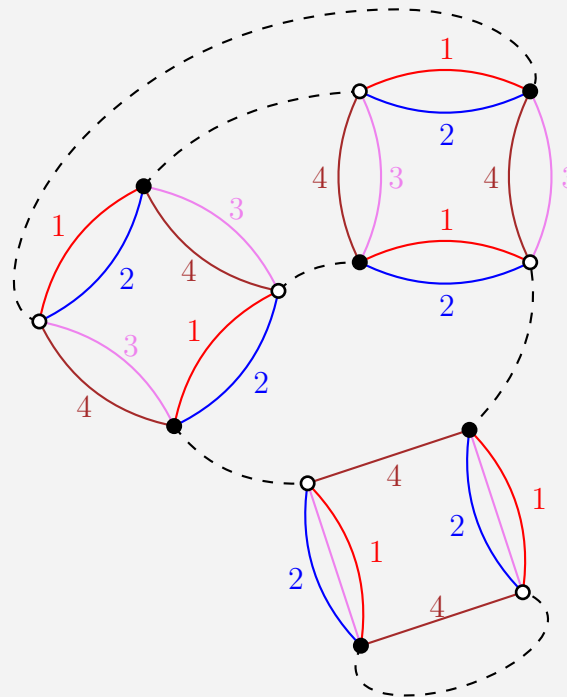
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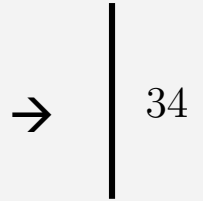
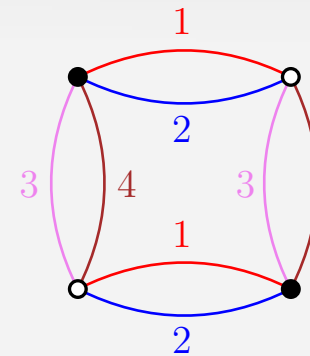
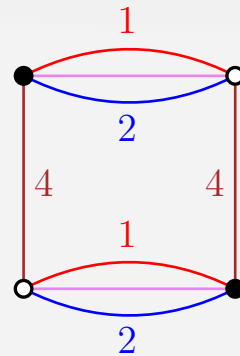


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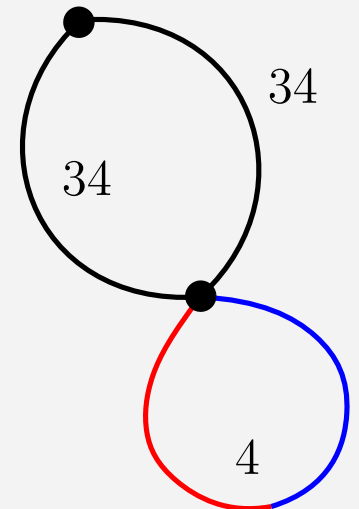
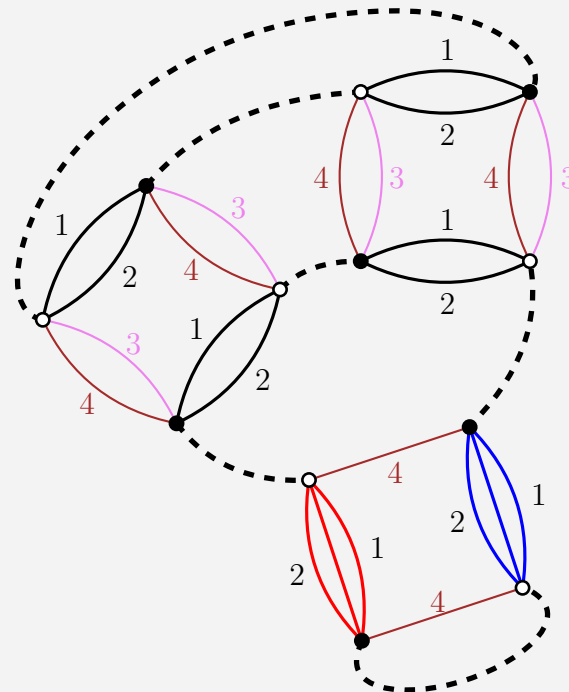


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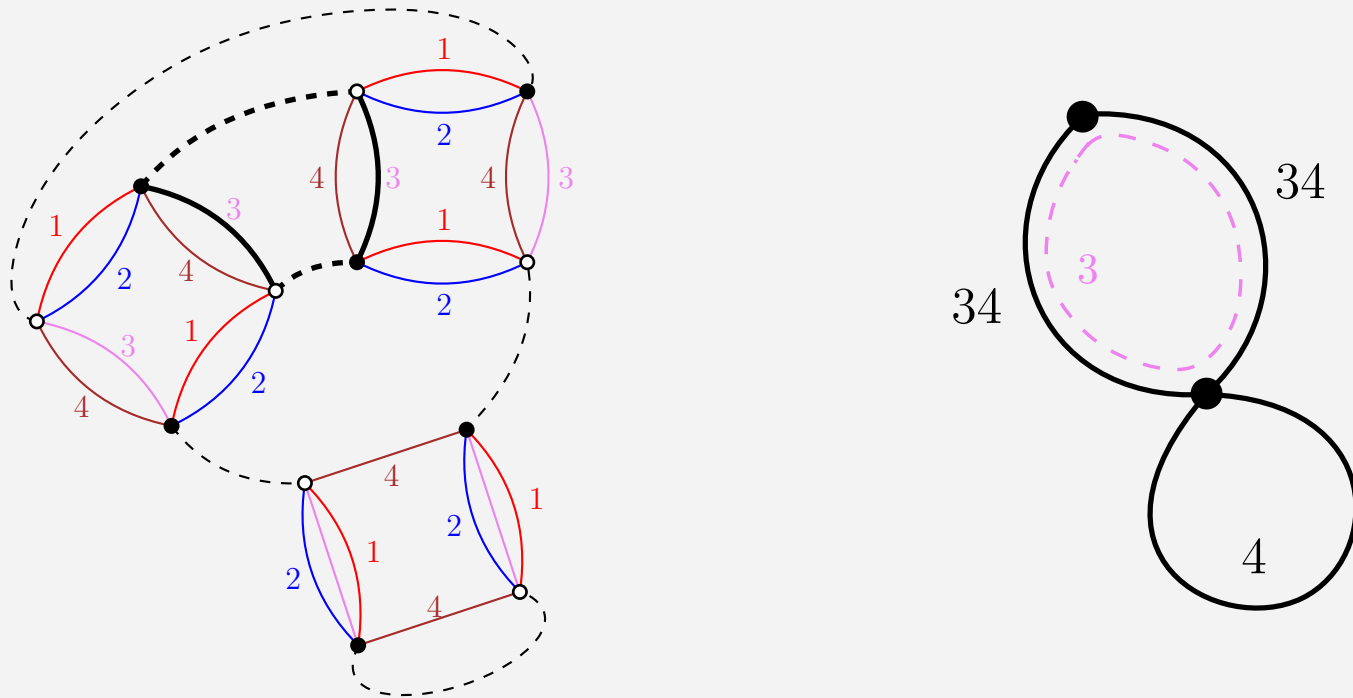
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*Bijection with
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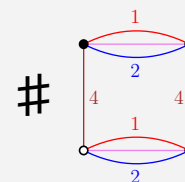
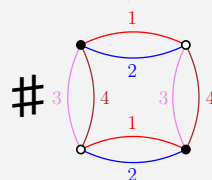
Bi-colored cycles are **faces** around one-colored sub-map



Maximize the sum of faces of one-colored sub-maps

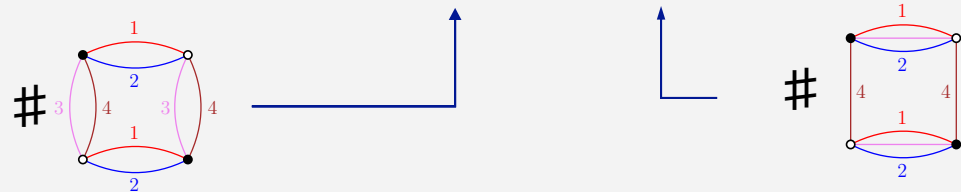
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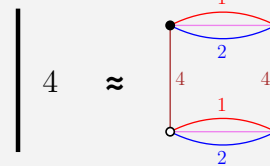
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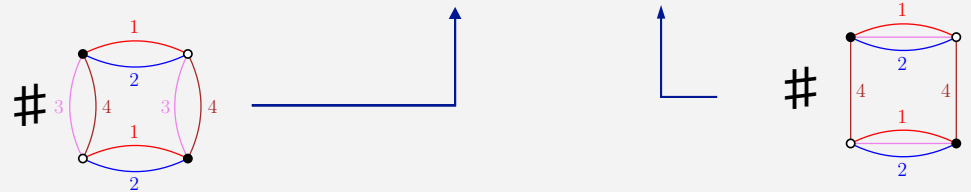
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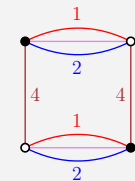
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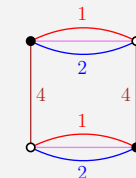
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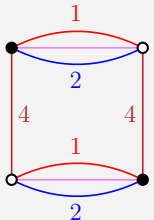
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- Once they are : $n_{D-2}(M) = n_{D-2}(T) - 4g(M)$

 Maximal maps are **planar** and s.t. $\left| 4 \approx \right.$  are **bridges**

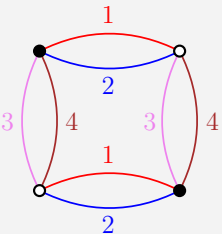
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The **sharp** bounds are

Gluings of  :

$$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + 3n_D$$

Maximal config. are **TREES**

Gluings of  :

$$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + \frac{5}{2}n_D$$

Maximal config. are **PLANAR**

Maximal gluings have the **topology of the 4-sphere**

Gluings of **both** :

$$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + \frac{5}{2}n_D^{34} + 3n_D^4$$

$$\left(3 = \frac{D(D-1)}{4} \right)$$

And maximal Configs : Planar, and $\left| \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ 4 \end{array} \right|$ are bridges

Generating function :
$$F(t, \lambda) = \sum_{M \text{ max.}} t^{E(M)} \lambda^{E_4(M)}$$

$\lambda > 3$: $F \sim a_1(\lambda) + b_1(\lambda) \sqrt{t_1(\lambda) - t} + \dots$ Tree regime $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$

$\lambda < 3$: $F \sim a_2(\lambda) + b_2(\lambda)(t_2(\lambda) - t) + c_2(\lambda)(t_2(\lambda) - t)^{3/2} + \dots$ Planar regime $\gamma = -\frac{1}{2}$

$\lambda = 3$: $F \sim \frac{16}{9} + \frac{128}{3^{5/3}} \left(\frac{3}{64} - t \right)^{2/3} + \dots$ $\gamma = \frac{1}{3}$ Proliferation of baby universes

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→ In $D=2$, the critical behavior of maximal maps does not depend on the discretization of the boundary p , it is *universal*

→ In $D=4$, the critical behavior of maximal configurations is NOT universal

... it depends on the details of the triangulation of the boundary

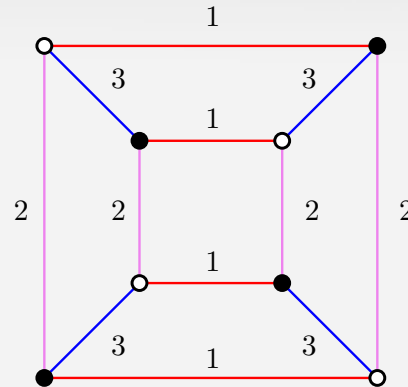
This is rather easy (size 4 \rightarrow combinatorial maps)

Can we do bigger building blocks with any triangulated boundary??

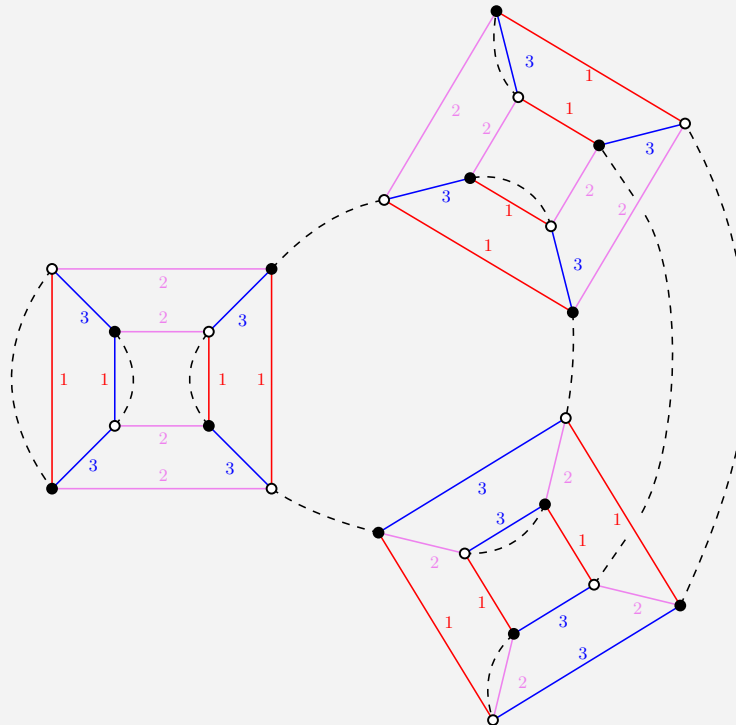
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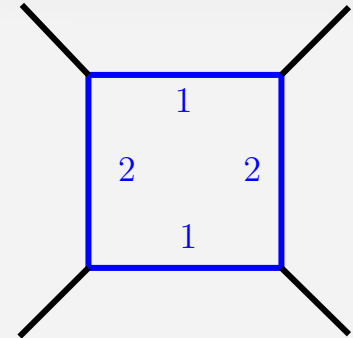
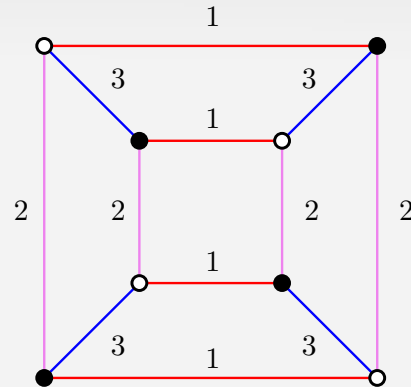


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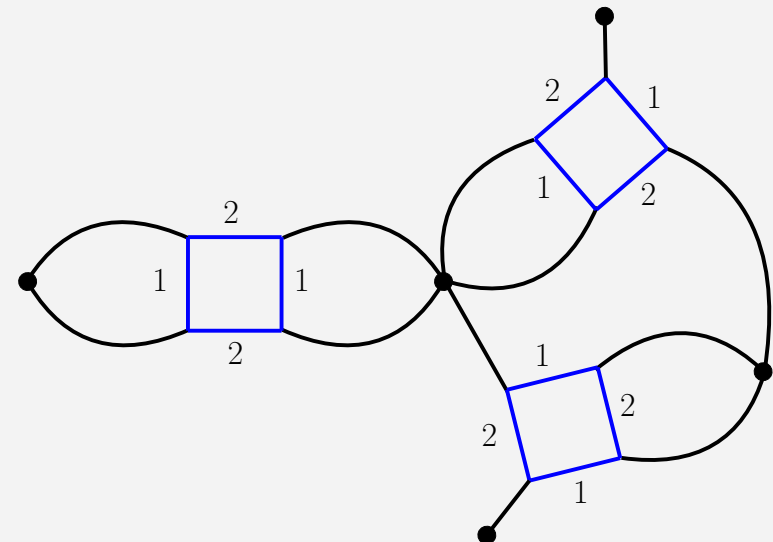
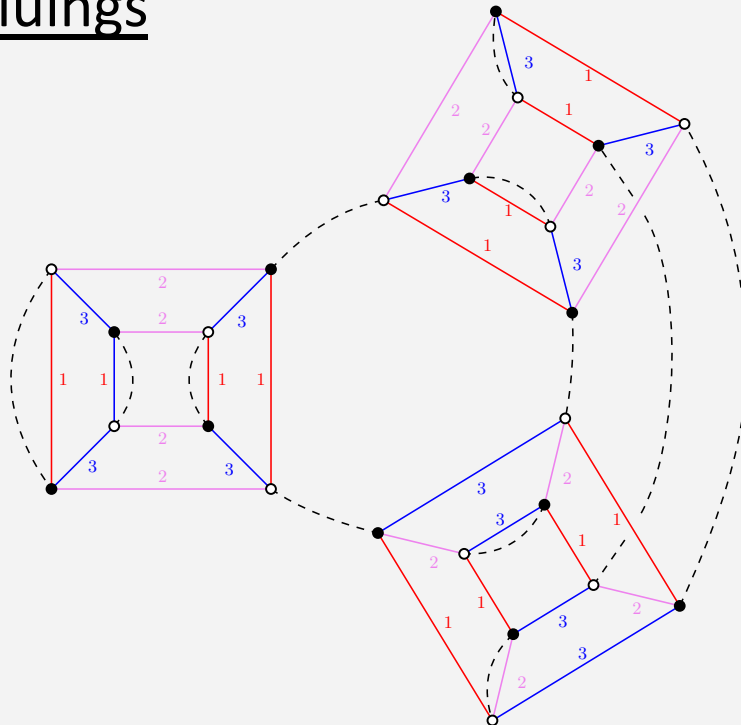
Proofs also rely on a **bijection** (with “stuffed” hyper-maps)

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Gluings



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And 3D gluings of octahedra verify (w.r.t. their constituting tetrahedra)

$$n_{\text{edges}} \leq 2 + \frac{11}{8} n_{\text{tetrahedra}}$$

Compare with 3D gluings of melonic 8-gons $n_{\text{edges}} \leq 3 + \frac{3}{2} n_{\text{tetrahedra}}$

5 – Gluings of octahedra

Maximal triangulations are in bijection with a family of trees.

The generating function of maximal maps with one marked corner is s.t.

$$G(z) = 1 + 3zG(z)^4 \rightarrow G(z) = \frac{4}{3} - \sqrt{\frac{2048}{243} \left(\frac{9}{256} - z \right)} + \dots$$

Maximal triangulations are shown to have the topology of the 3-sphere.

Conclusions

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- Colored triangulations provide a good framework for combinatorics
- Bijection which generalizes Tutte's bijection for any D -dimensional p -angulation (Bonzom, LL, Rivasseau 2015)

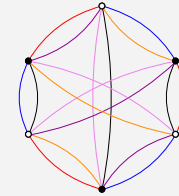
It precisely represents topologies by superposed hyper-maps

- Maximal configurations exhibit different critical behaviors ($\neq 2D$)
- A lot to be explored!

What next?

1 - Are there building blocks s.t. n_{D-2} is a non linear function of n_D for maximal gluings?

(Possible candidate in D=6)

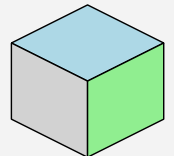


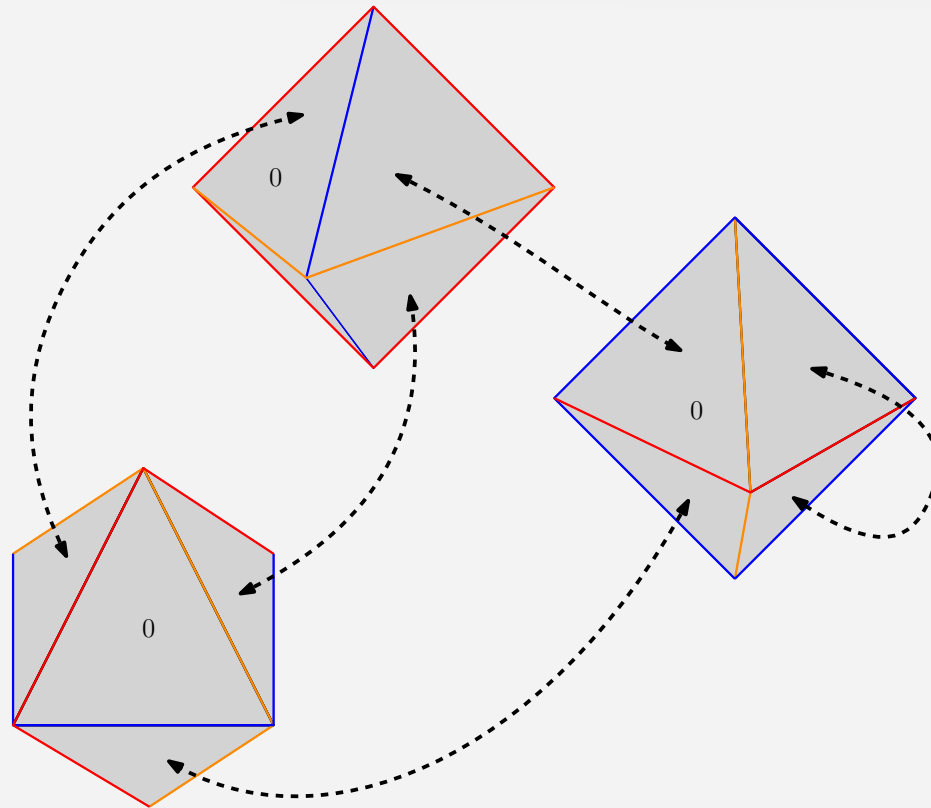
2 - Can we exhibit building blocks with more interesting maximal maps?

3 - Exact counting of gluings of a single building block (\rightarrow Unicellular maps)

(Harer-Zagier formula ? Chapuy's identity ?)

4 - Gluings of building blocks with colored faces and no internal structure

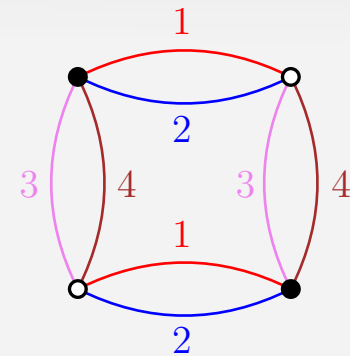
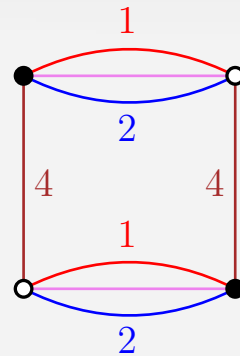




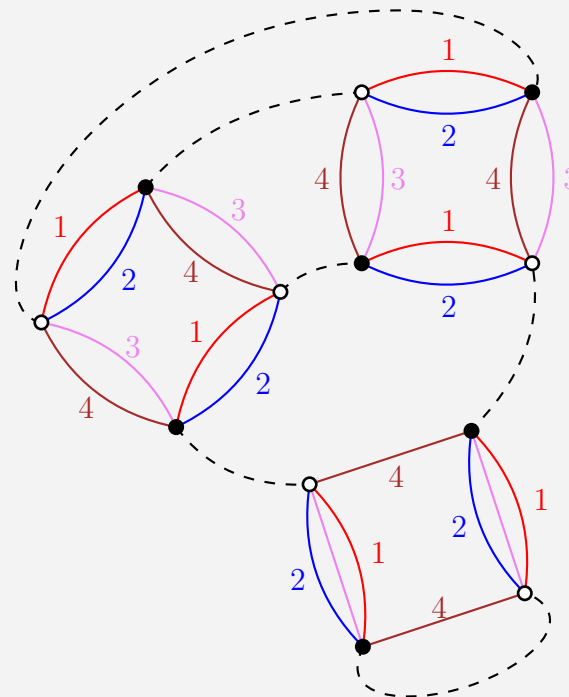
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4 – Generalized quadrangulations in 4D

Building blocks

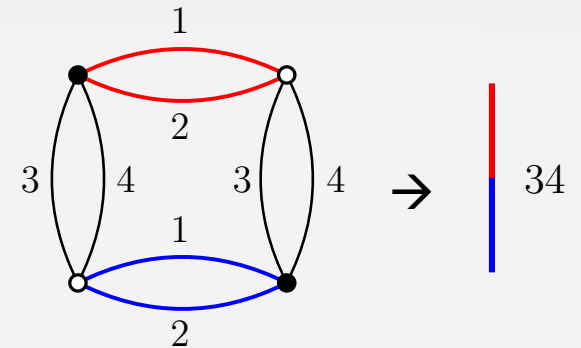
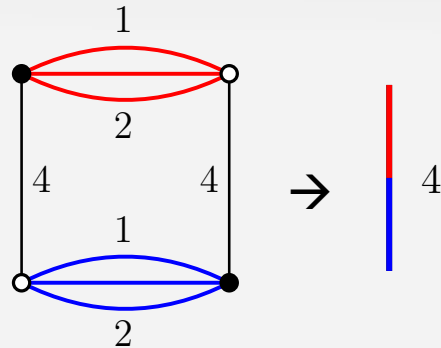


Quadrangulation

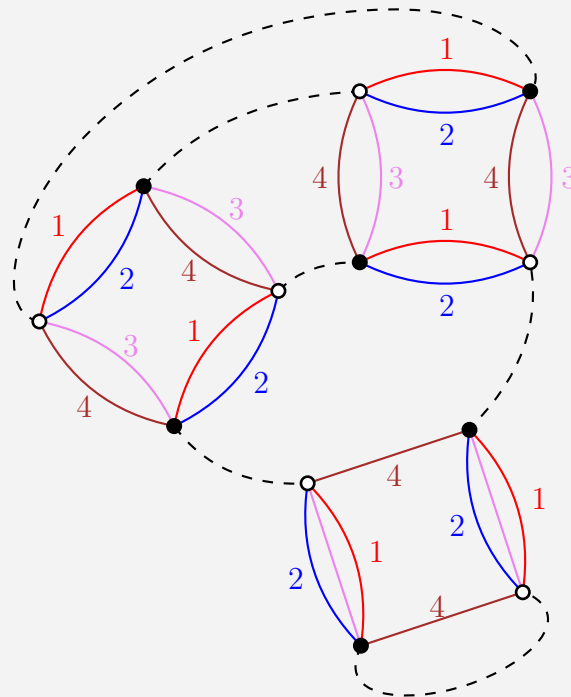


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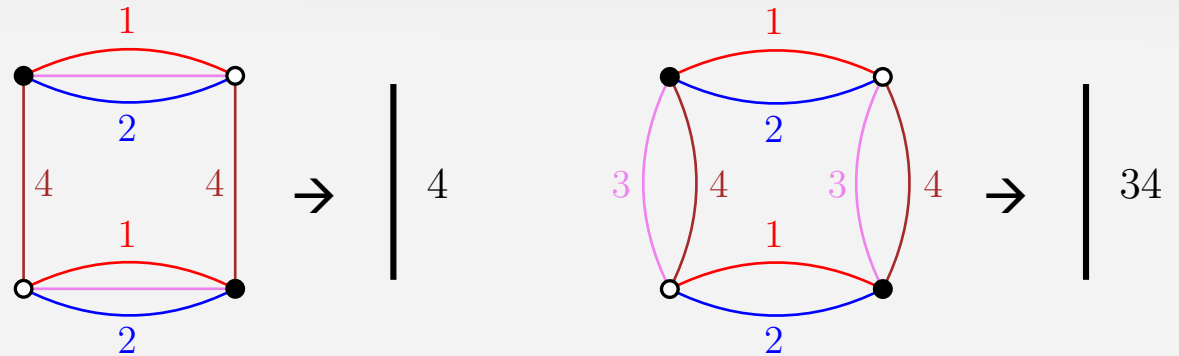


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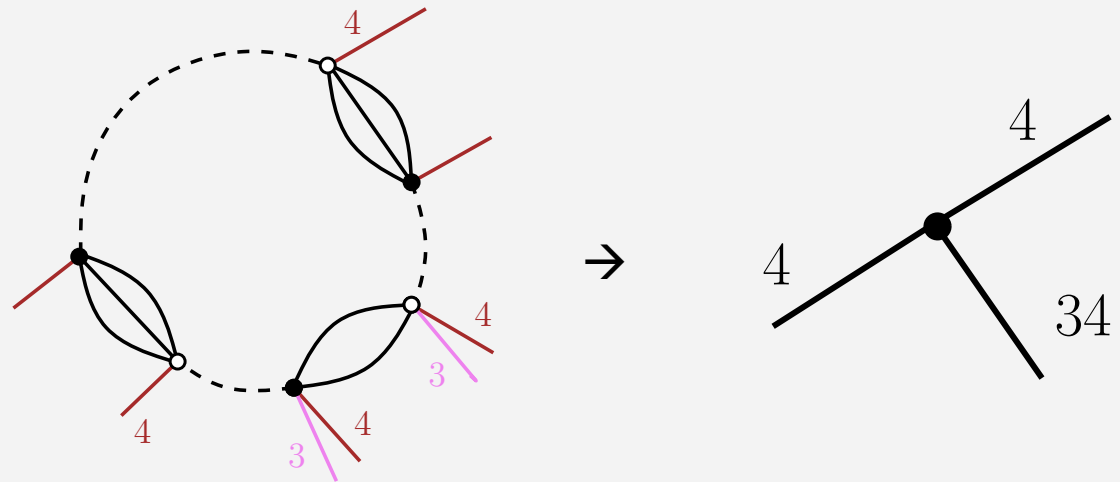


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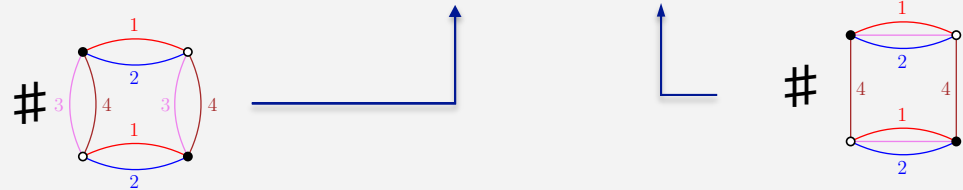
Building blocks



Cycles 0-Pairs



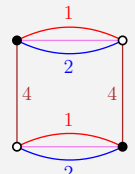
- **Trees** behave as : $n_{D-2}(T) = 4 + \frac{5}{2}n_D^{34} + 3n_D^4$



- **Deleting an edge e** : $n'_{D-2} = n_{D-2}(M) + 4 - 2I_2(e)$



- Once they are : $n_{D-2}(M) = n_{D-2}(T) - 4g(M)$

→ **Maximal maps** are **planar** and s.t. $\left| 4 \approx \right.$  are **bridges**

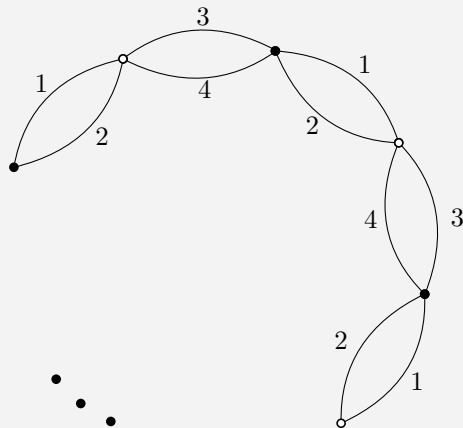
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These results can be extended to blocks of any size, in any even dimension :

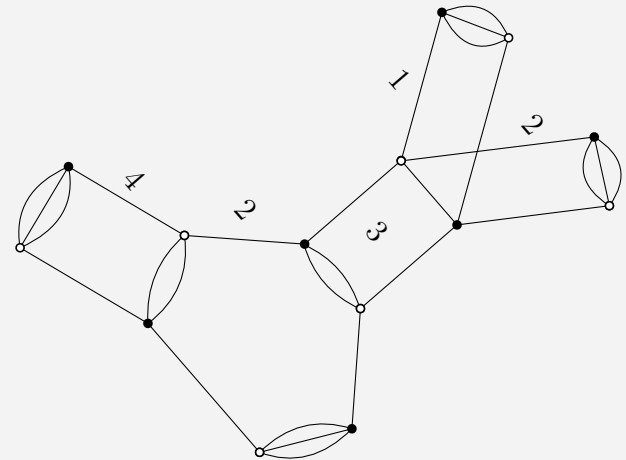
“Necklaces”

+

“Melonic” graphs



+



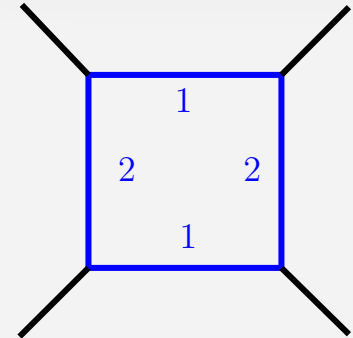
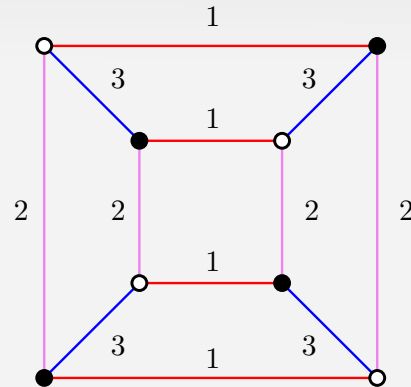
(and their
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sums)

$$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{p}\right)n_D$$

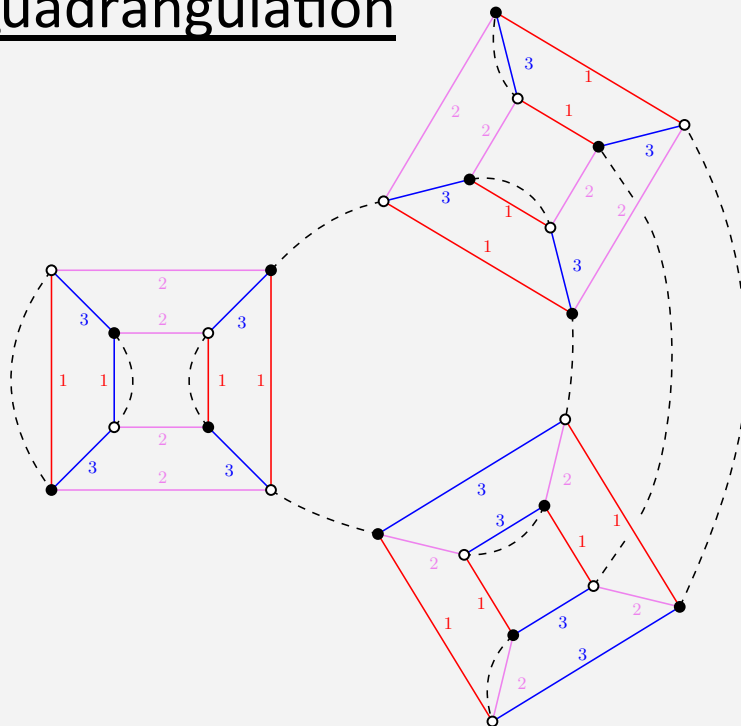
$$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + 3n_D$$

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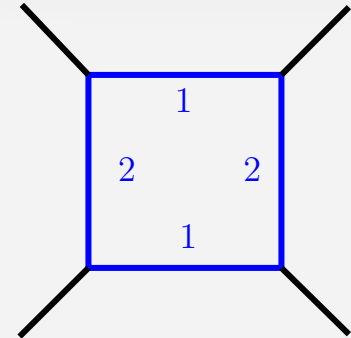
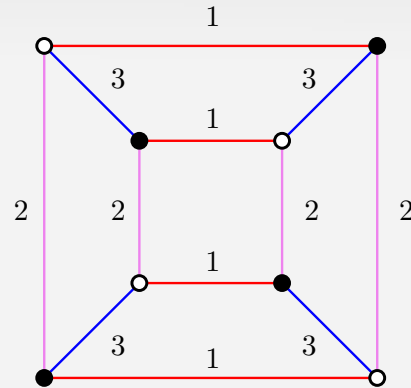
Quadrangulation



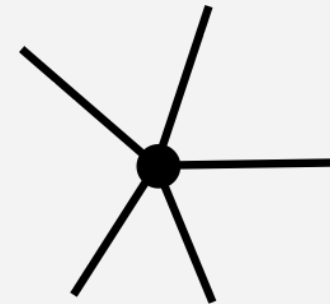
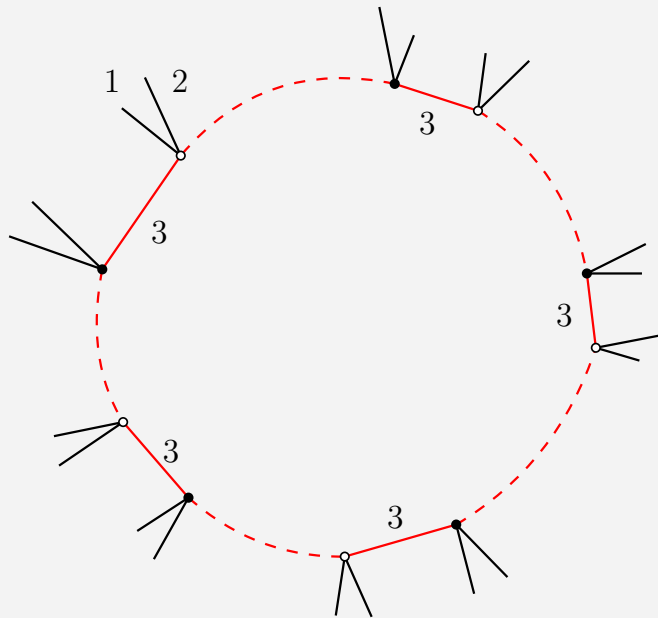
(hyper-edge with internal structure)

5 – Gluings of octahedra

Building blocks



Bicolored cycles 03

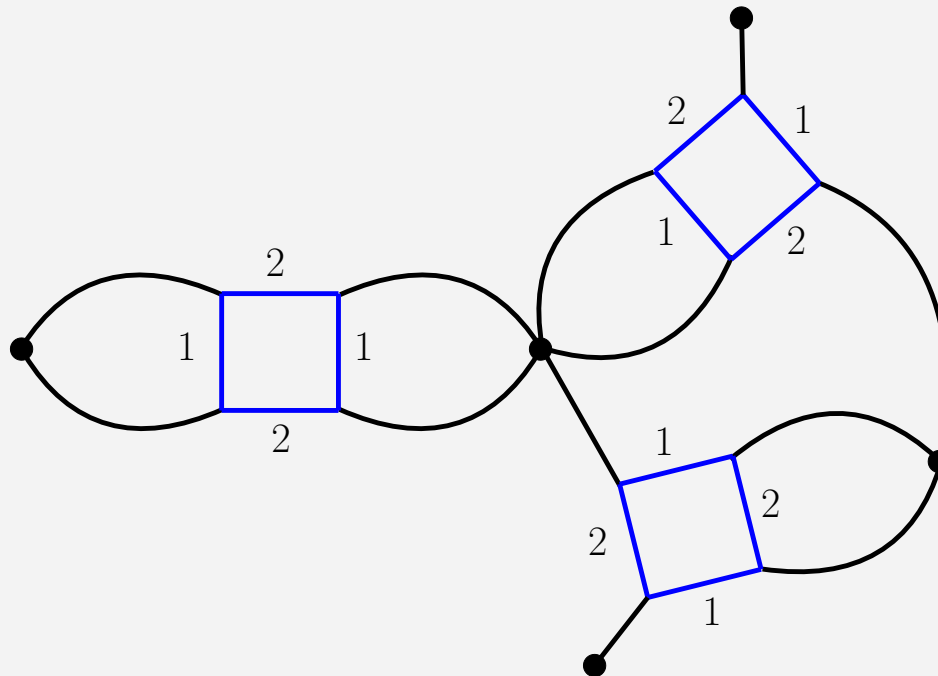


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\leftrightarrow Two-colored cycle in graph

\leftrightarrow Face around combinatorial map of single color

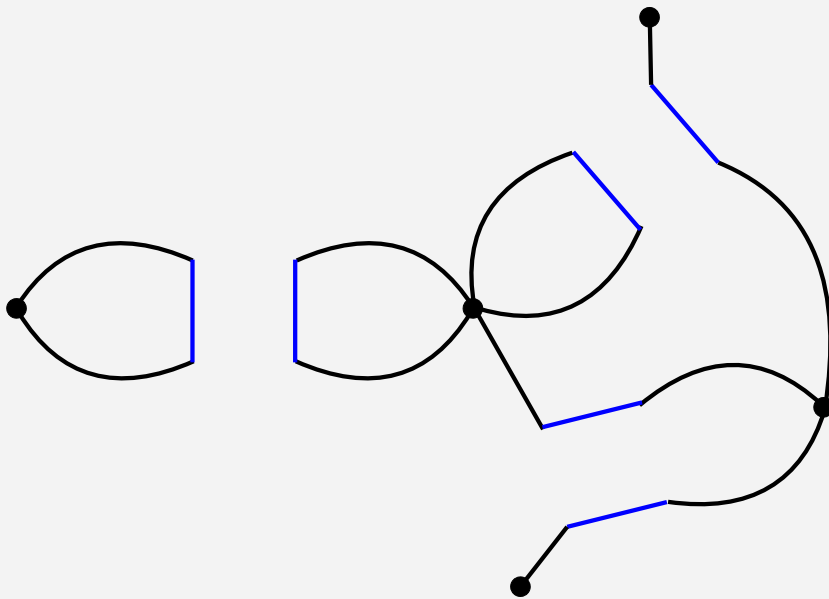


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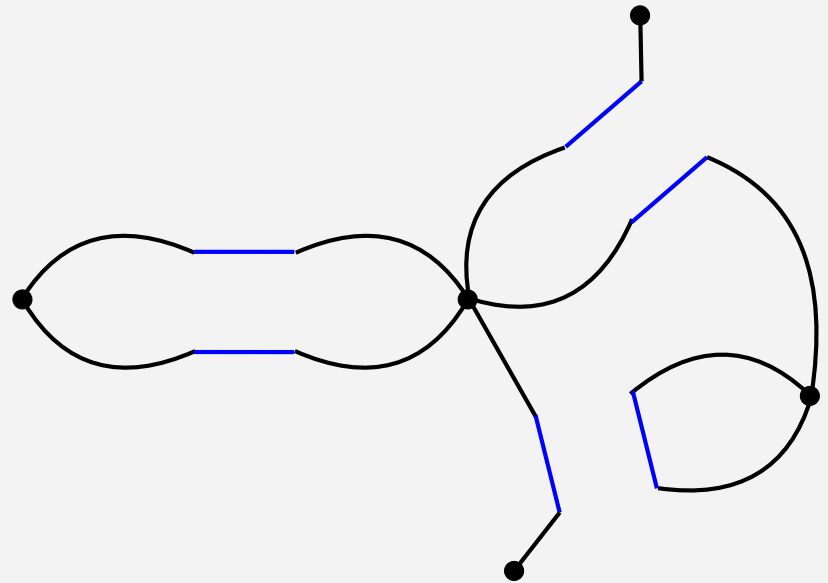
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Color 1 : 5 faces



Color 2 : 3 faces

Color 3 : 5 faces

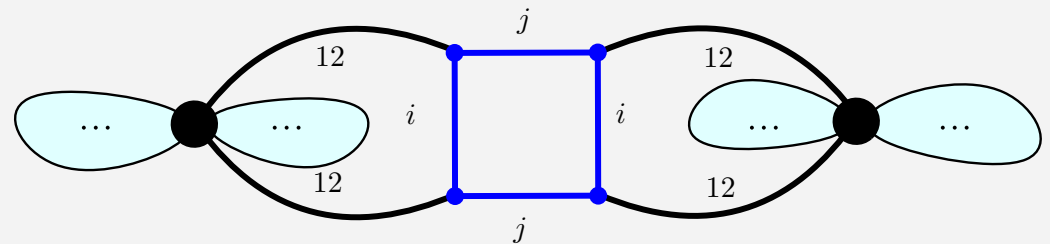
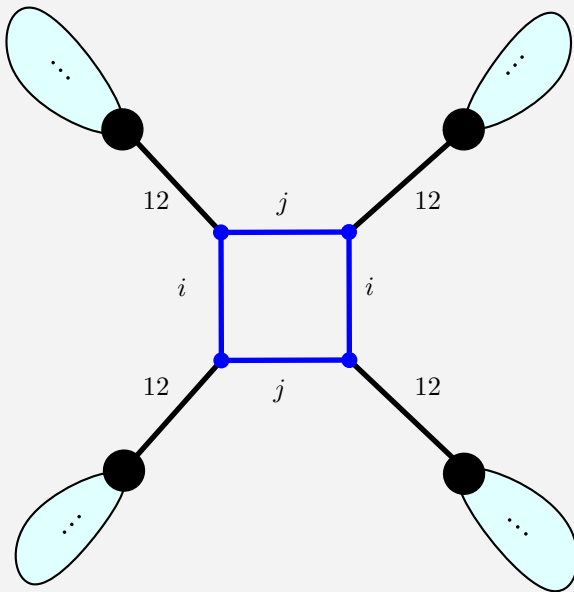
3 – Maximal gluings of octahedra

Maximizing maps :

(more complicated than for quadrangulations... see V. Bonzom & L.L 2016)

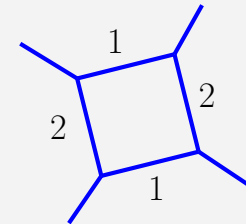
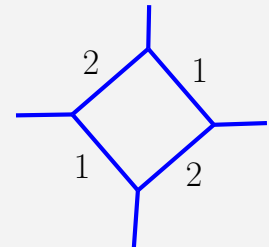
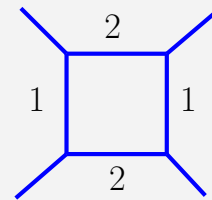
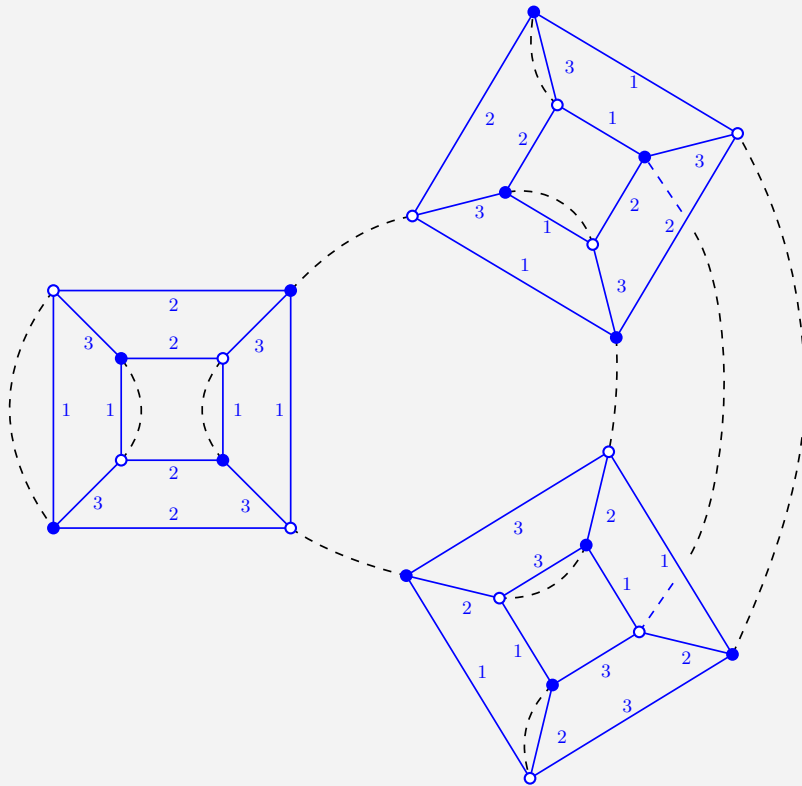
→ Planar

→ Each blue sector locally s.t.



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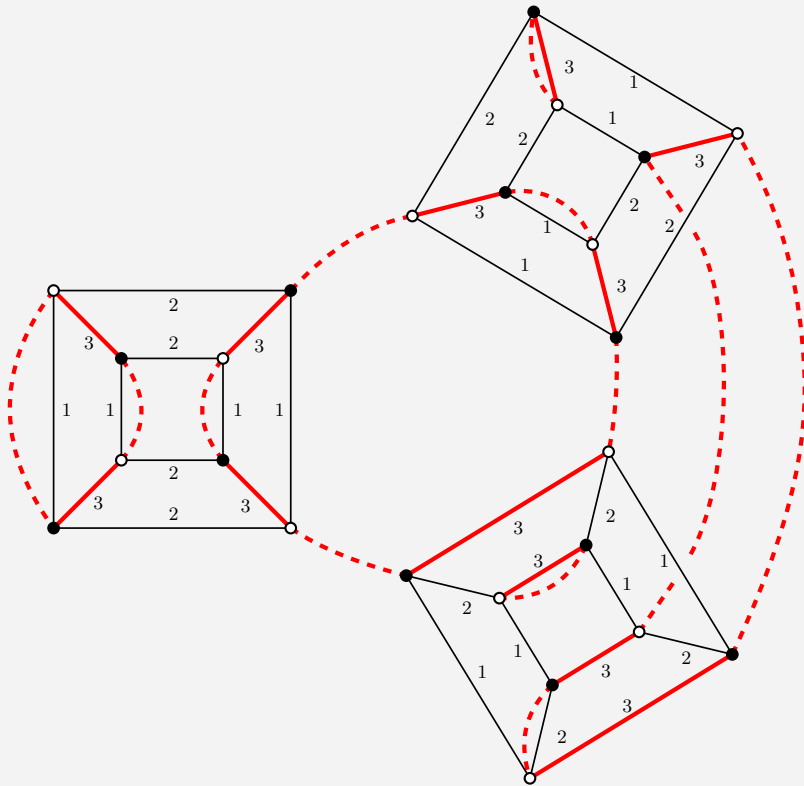
Building block :



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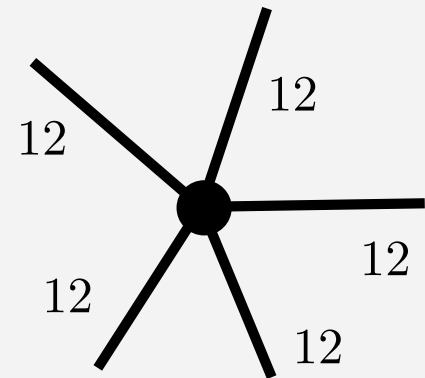
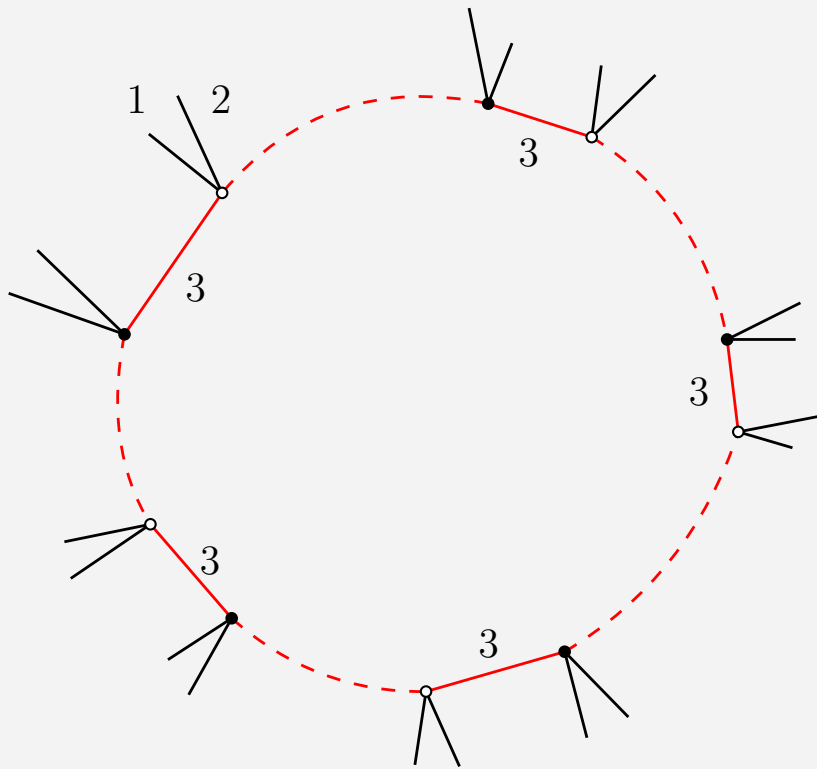
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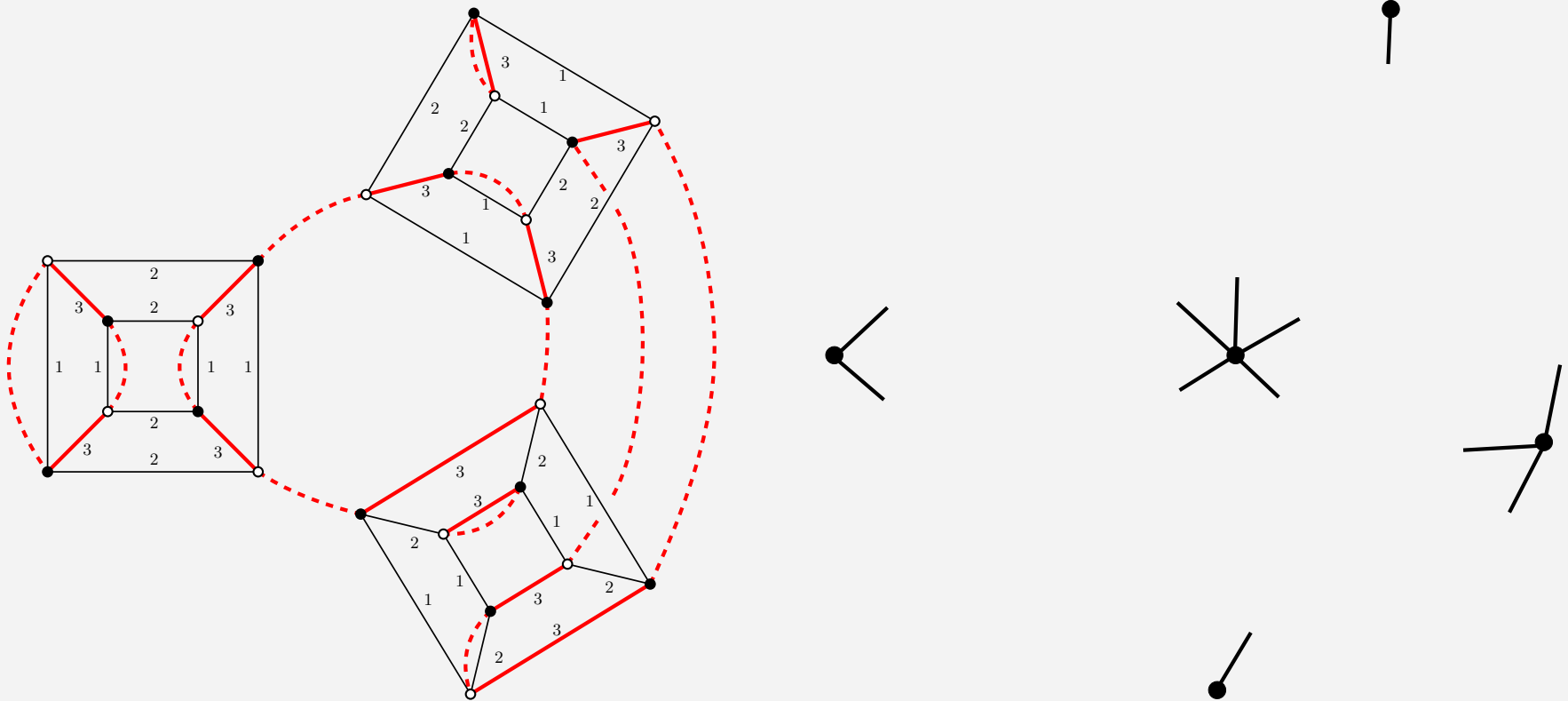


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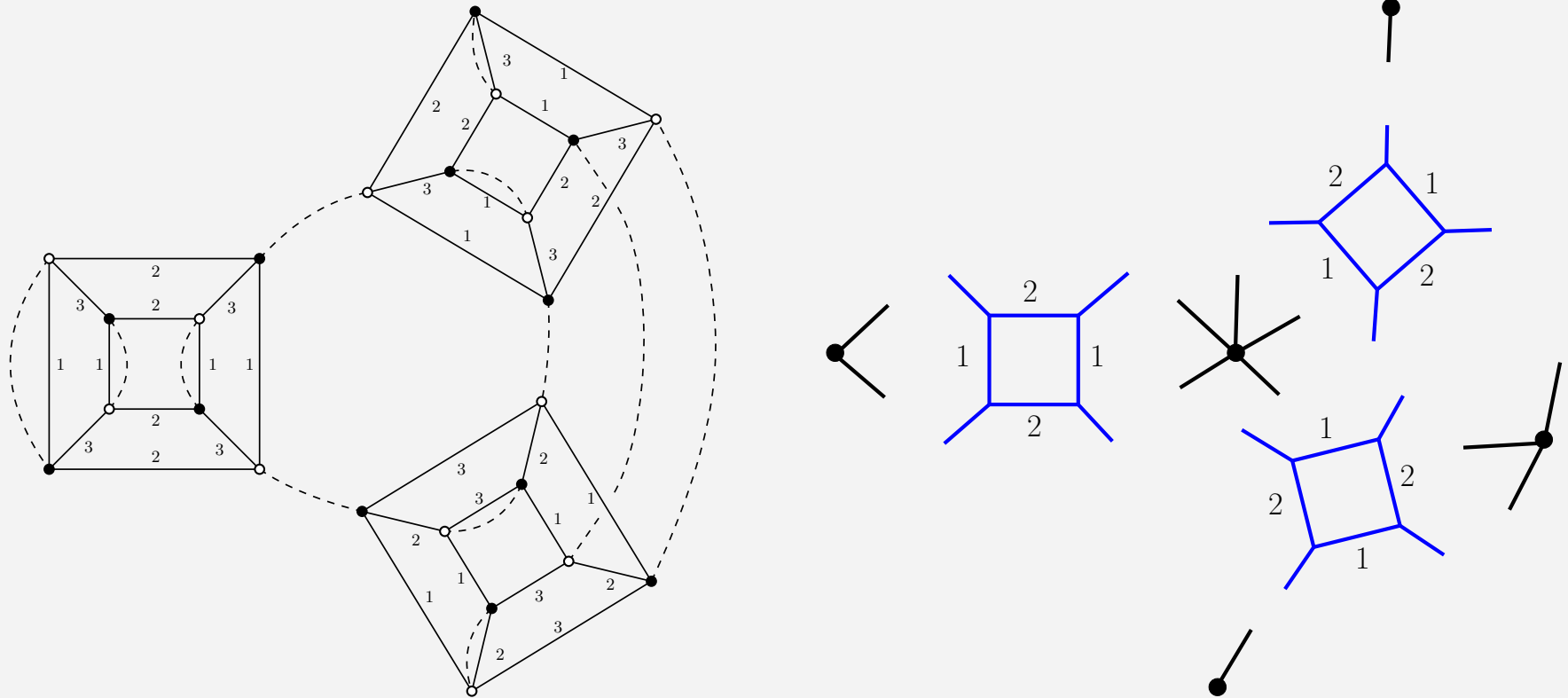
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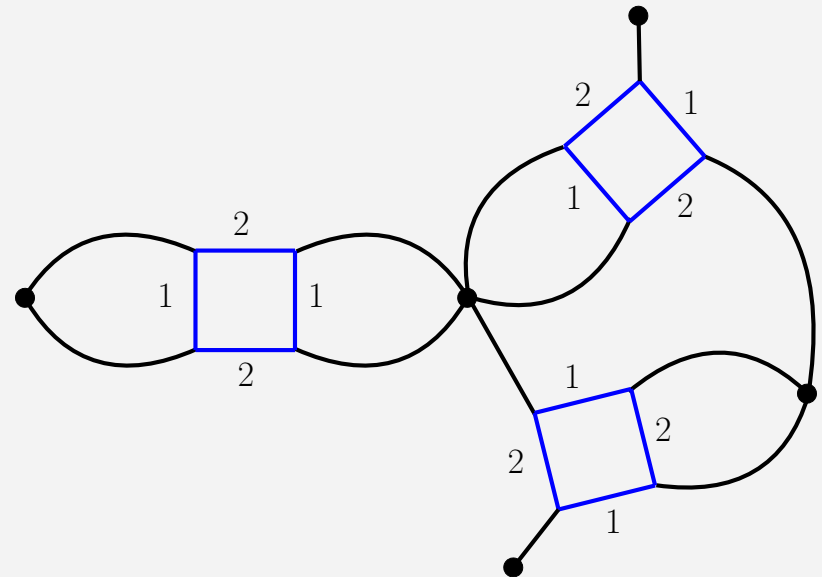
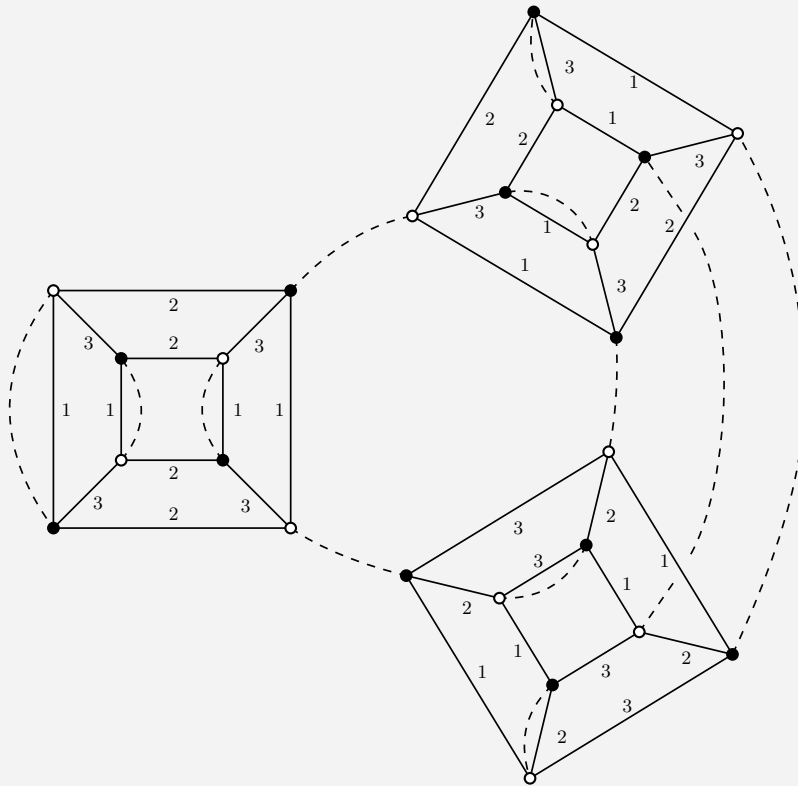
→ contract them to form **an edge**!



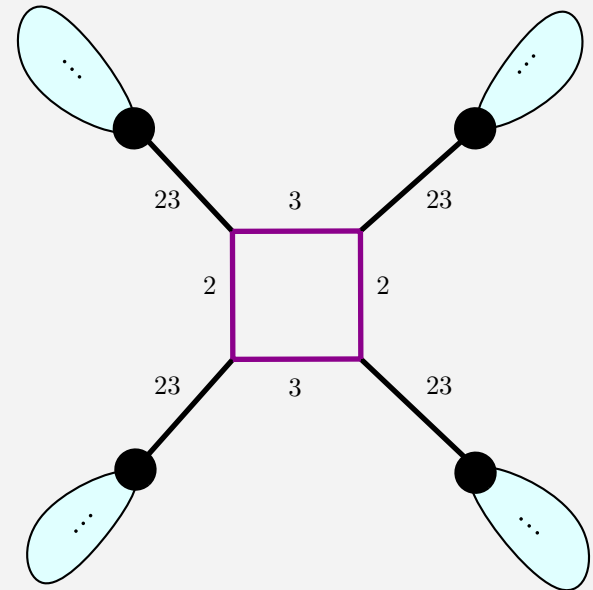
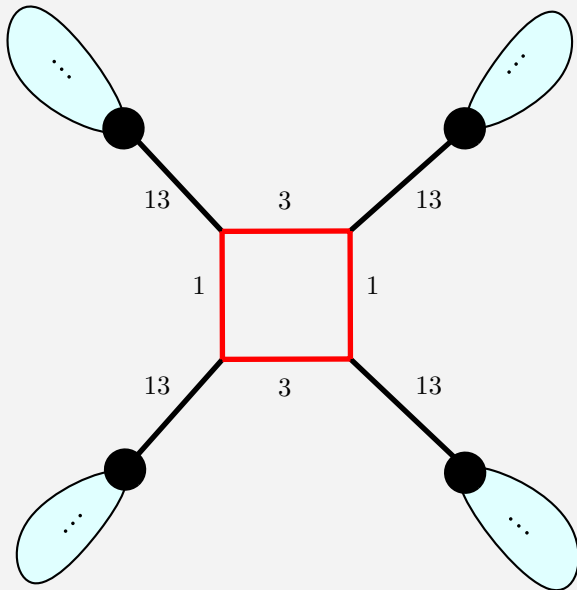
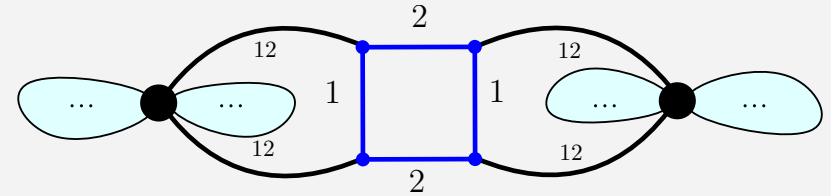
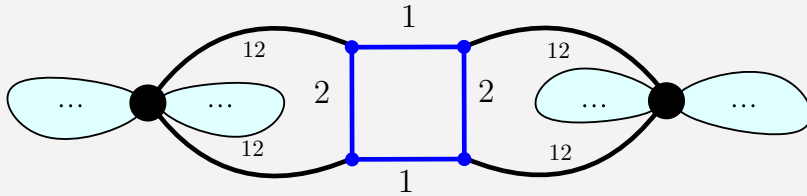
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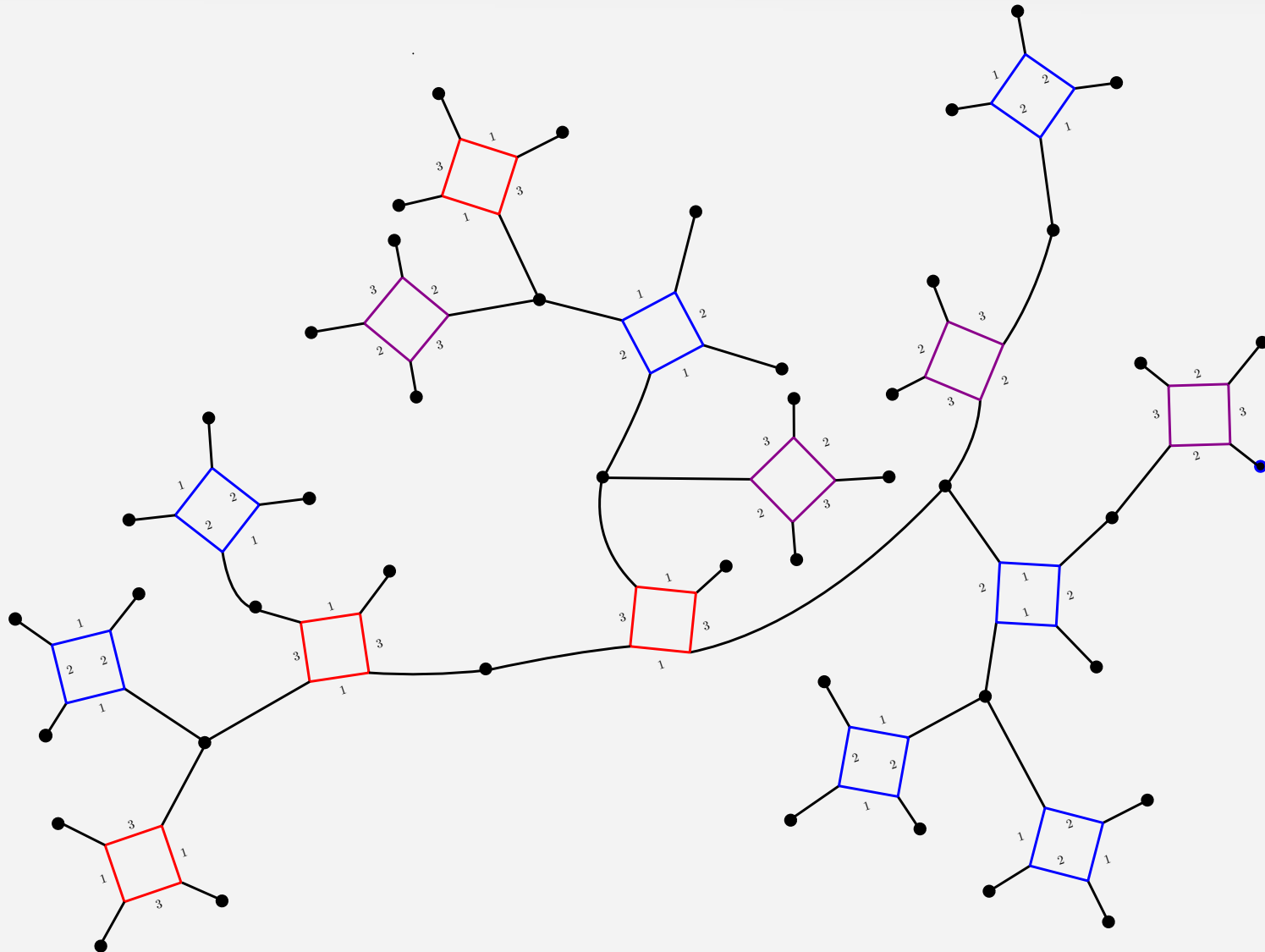
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3 – Maximal gluings of octahedra

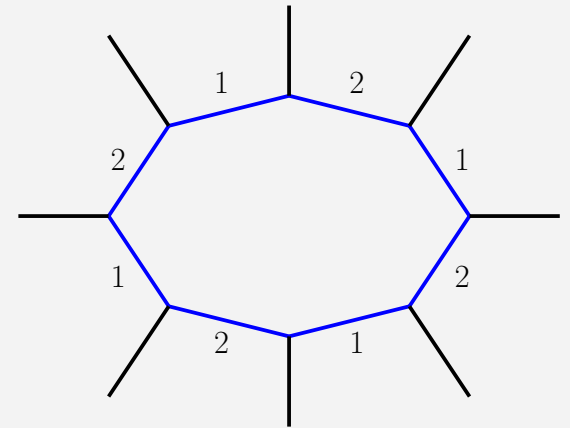
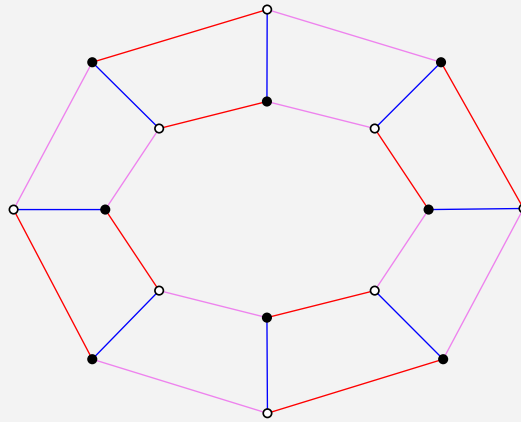
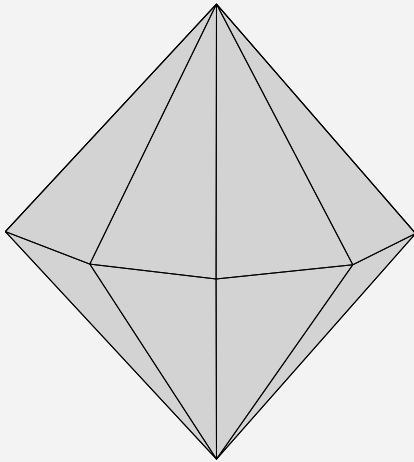


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These results generalize to the infinite family of bi-pyramids (and connected sums)



$$n_{D-2} \leq 3 + \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2p}\right)n_D$$

Compare with 3D gluings of melonic p -gons $n_{\text{edges}} \leq 3 + \frac{3}{2}n_{\text{tetrahedra}}$

	type of p-gon	D	size	sharp bound	critical exponent
A.	2D p-gon (∞)	2	p	$n_{\text{vertices}} \leq 2 + \frac{p-2}{2} n_{p\text{-gons}}$	-1/2
B.	“melonic” (∞)		even	$n_{D-2} \leq D + \frac{D(D-1)}{4} n_D$ (Gurau)	<div> <div>1/2</div> <div>1/3</div> <div>-1/2</div> </div>
		3	even	$n_{\text{edges}} \leq 3 + \frac{3}{2} n_{\text{tetrahedra}}$	
		4	even	$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + 3n_D$	
C.	“necklaces” (∞)	even	even	$n_{D-2} \leq 4 + 2(1 + \frac{1}{p}) n_D$ (Bonzom, Delepoue, Rivasseau, 2015)	-1/2
D.	4-gons	even	4	$n_{D-2} \leq D + (\frac{D(D-1)}{4} - \frac{\alpha(D-1-\alpha)}{4}) n_D$	1/2 , -1/2, 1/3
E.	6-gons	3	6	B. or K_{33} : $n_{\text{edges}} \leq 3 + n_{\text{tetra}}$ (Bonzom & L.L, 2015)	1/2
		4	6	Various (L.L & J. Thürigen, IP)	1/2 , -1/2, 1/3
F.	Bi-pyramids (∞)	3	8	$n_{\text{edges}} \leq 3 + (\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2p}) n_{\text{tetrahedra}}$ (Bonzom & L.L, 2016)	1/2