

Extremal Graph Theory

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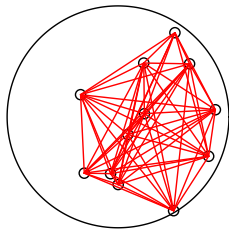
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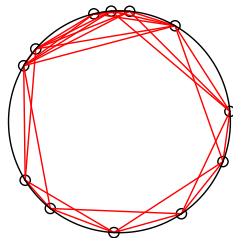
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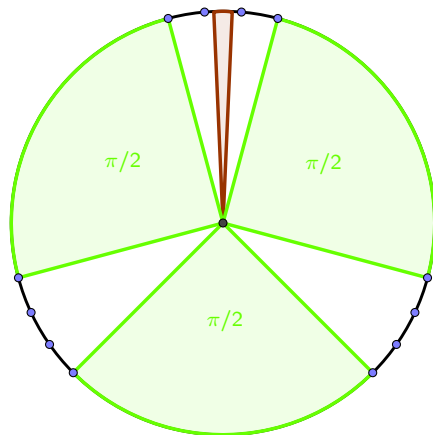


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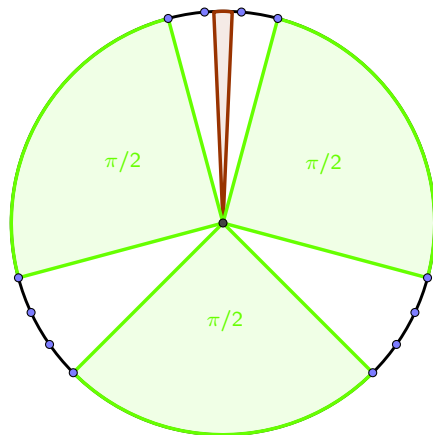
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$$p = \Omega\left(\left(\frac{n^2}{p}\right)^{1+\frac{1}{2^k-1}}\right)$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} p^{\frac{2^{k+1}-1}{2^k-1}} &= \Omega\left(n^{\frac{2^k+1}{2^k-1}}\right) \\ \Rightarrow p &= \Omega\left(n^{\frac{2^k}{2^{k+1}-1}}\right) = \Omega\left(n^{1+\frac{1}{2^{k+1}-1}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

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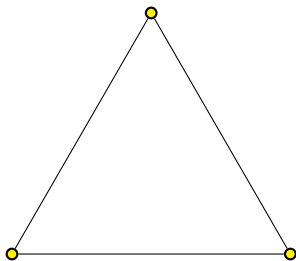
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$$\text{ex}(n, K_{t+1}) = \frac{1}{2} (1 - 1/t) (n^2 - k^2) + \binom{k}{2}$$

where $k = n \pmod{t}$. Further, it is attained only by the *complete multipartite graph* on n vertices with *balanced* part sizes.

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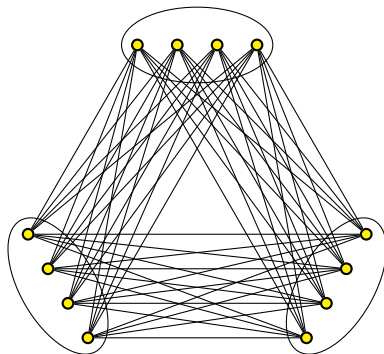
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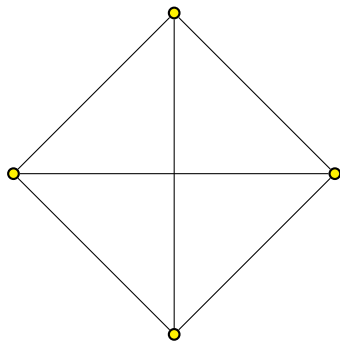
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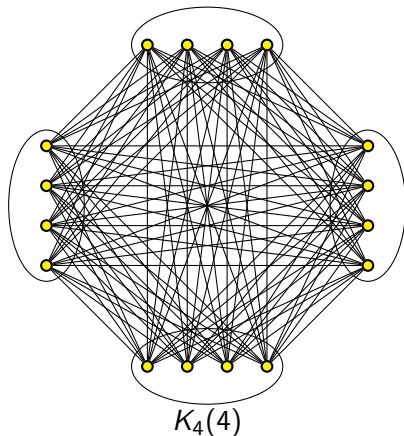
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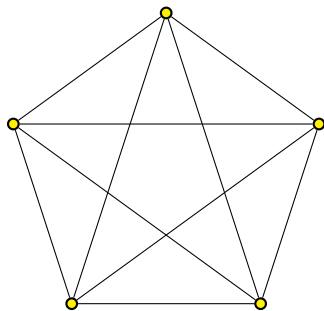
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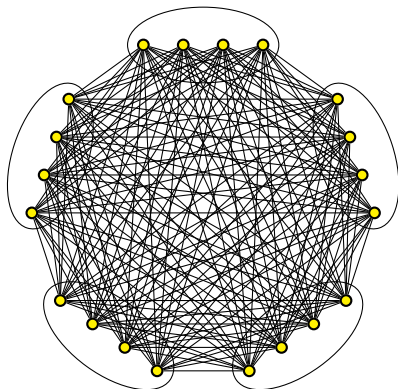
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There exists

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such that every r -graph G with $n_G > n_0$ vertices and $m > (\pi(F) + a) \binom{n}{r}$ contains at least $b \binom{n}{n_F}$ copies of F .

Proof

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