

# Spanning bipartite subgraphs of triangulations of a surface

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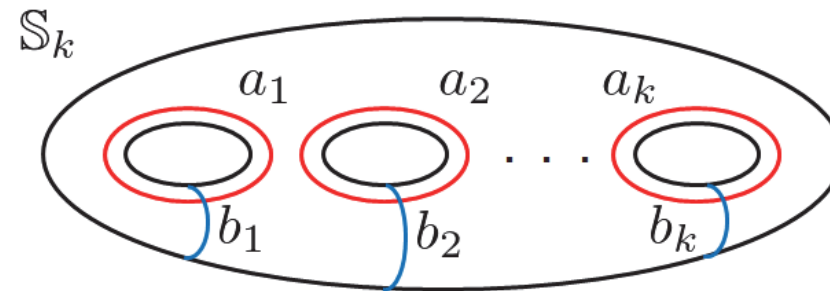
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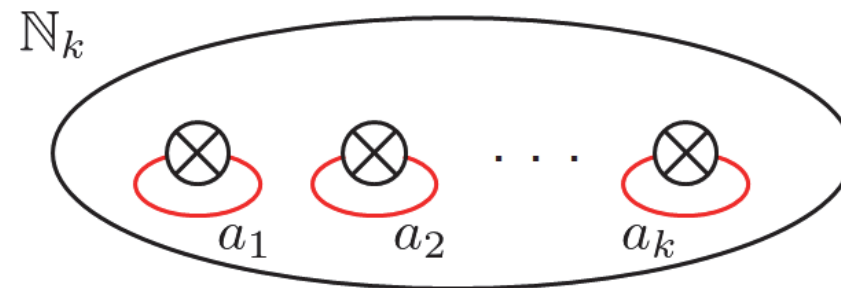
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Surfaces:  
compact connected 2-manifolds without boundary

$S_k$  : orientable surface of genus  $k$

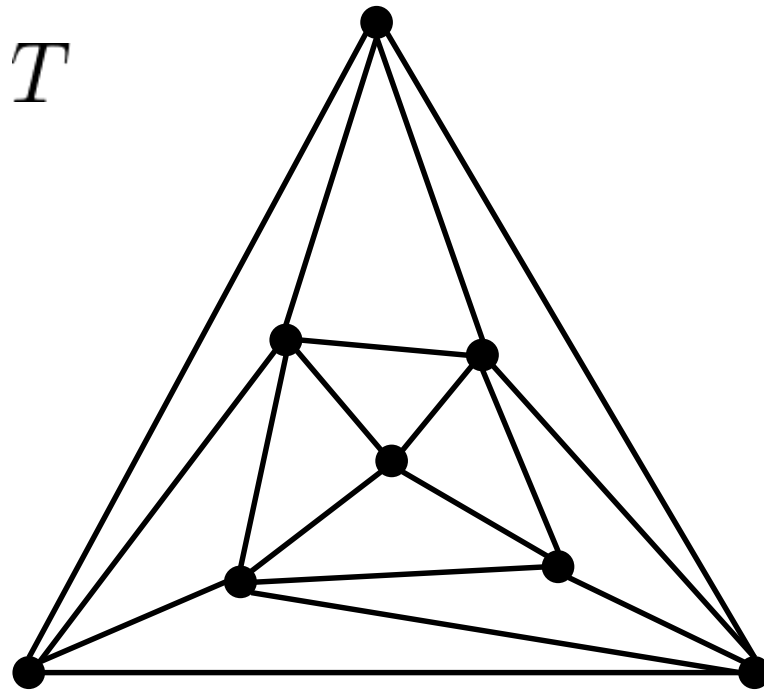


$N_k$  : nonorientable surface of crosscap number  $k$

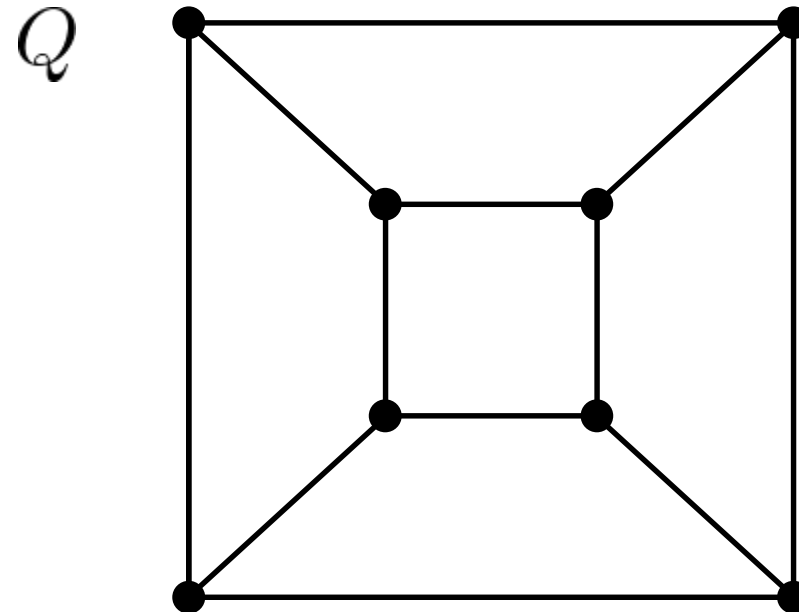


# Graphs on surfaces

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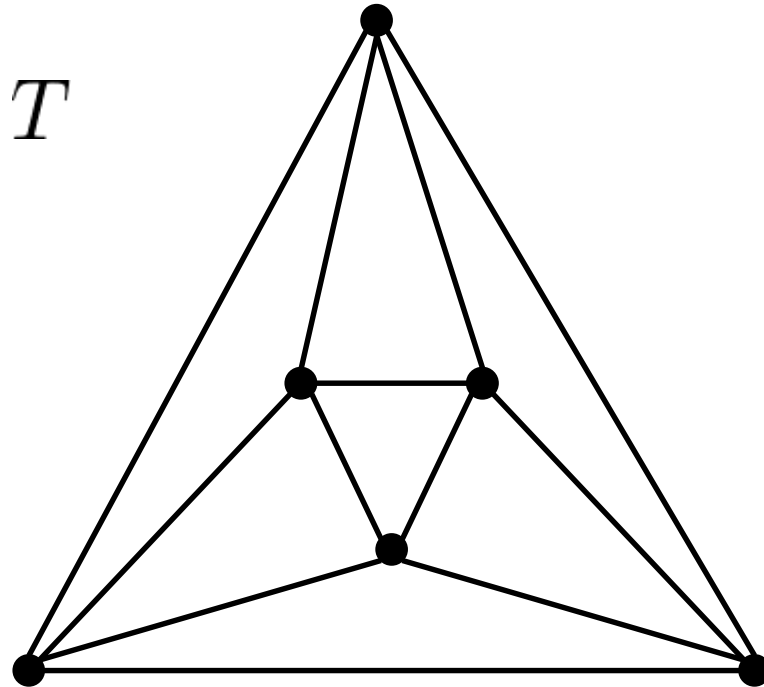


Quadrangulation (quad.)



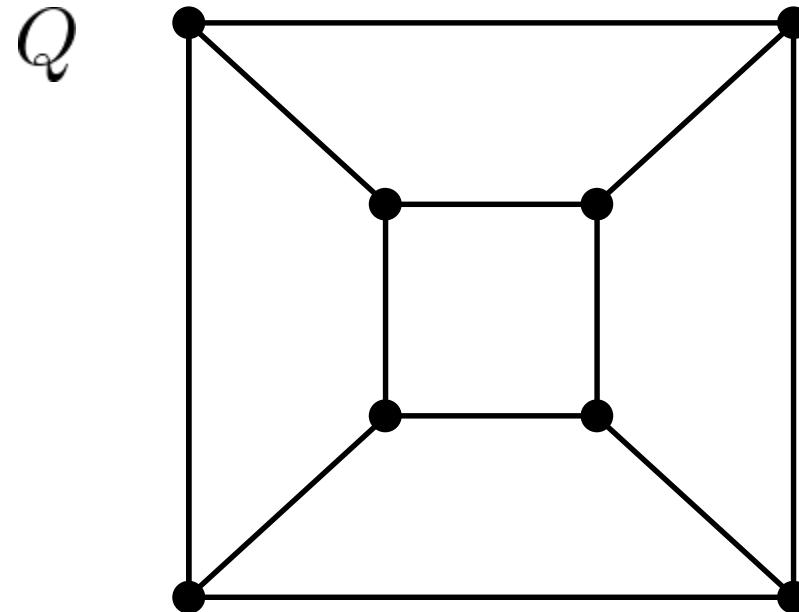
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Eulerian (even) triangulation

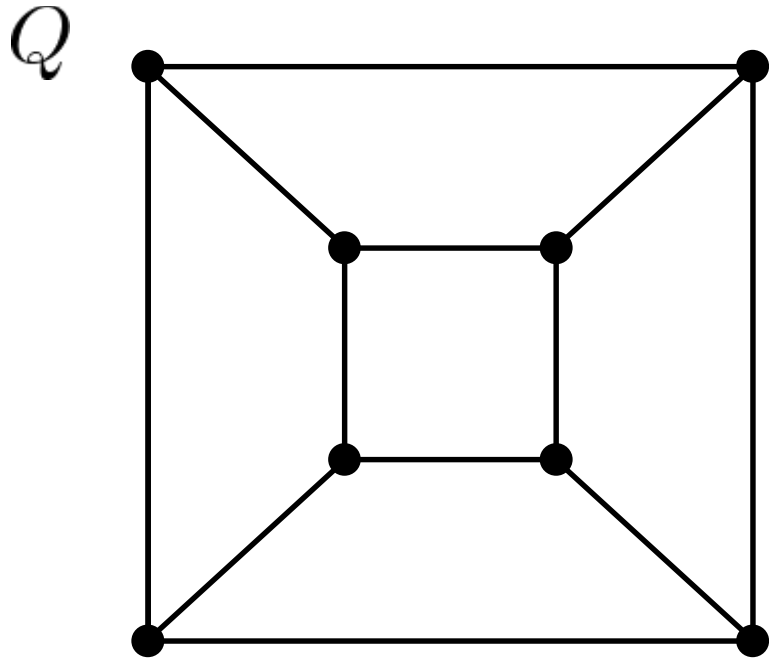


Every vertex has even degree

Quadrangulation

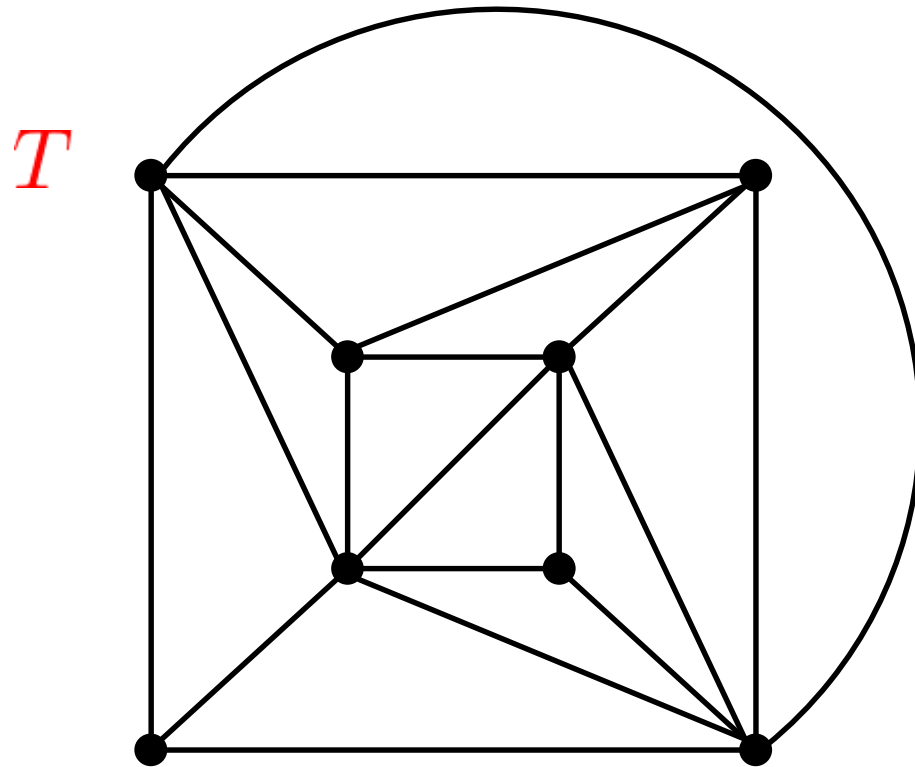


Quad.  $\leftrightarrow$  Tri.



For a given quad., we can extend it to a triangulation by adding a diagonal in each face.

Quad.  $\leftrightarrow$  Tri.



For a given triangulation,  
we often find a quad. as a  
spanning subgraph.

# Additional requirements

For a given quad., can we extend it to

- Eulerian tri.?
- 3-colorable tri.?
- 4-connected tri.?

For a given tri., does it have

- bipartite quad.?
- 3-connected quad.?



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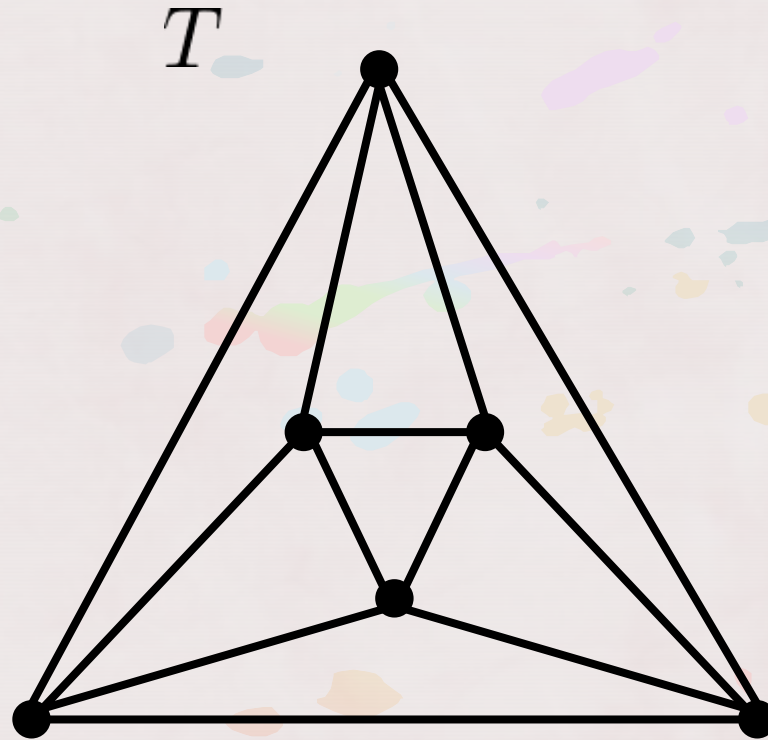
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For a given tri., does it have

- [3] • bipartite quad.?  $\exists$  iff condition for toroidal Eulerian tri.
- 3-connected quad.? Yes if it is 5-connected

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# A spanning quad. subgraph



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## Spanning quad.

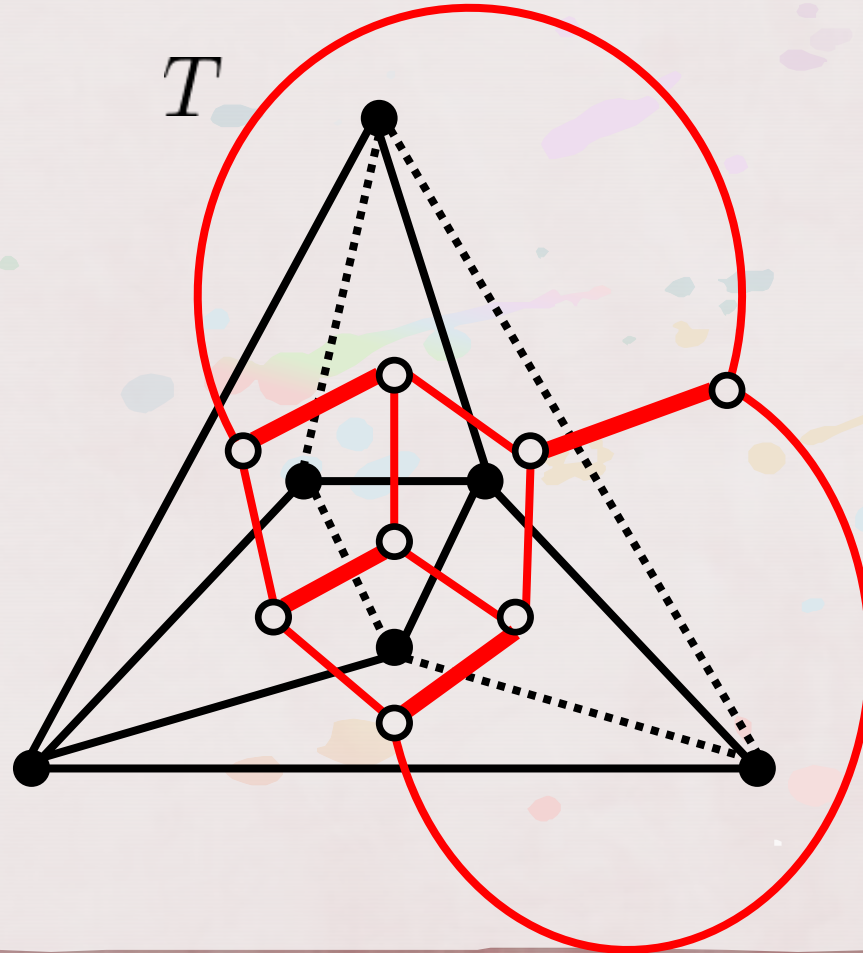
### Proposition A

Let  $T$  be a loopless triangulation on a surface.

Then  $T$  has a **spanning quad**.

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# Proof



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## Problem

Let  $T$  be a loopless triangulation of a surface.  
Does  $T$  have a spanning **bipartite** quad.?

### Remark

- Every plane quad. is bipartite.
- 4-colorability of  $T$  is a sufficient condition.

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# Bipartiteness

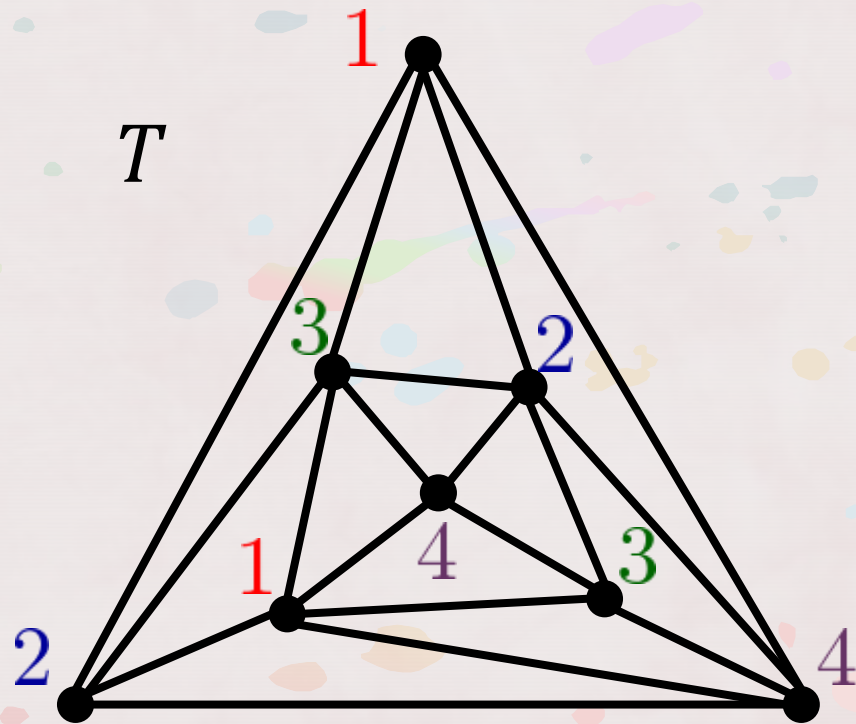
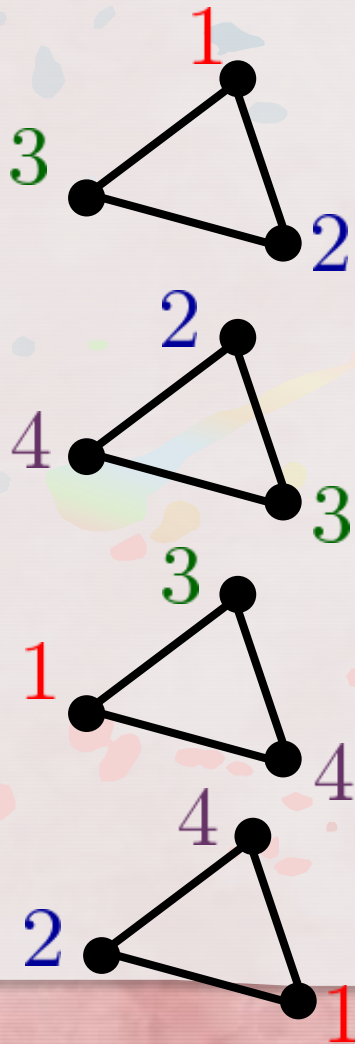
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If  $T$  is a 4-colorable tri. on a surface, then  $T$  has a spanning **bipartite** quad.

### [3] Proof

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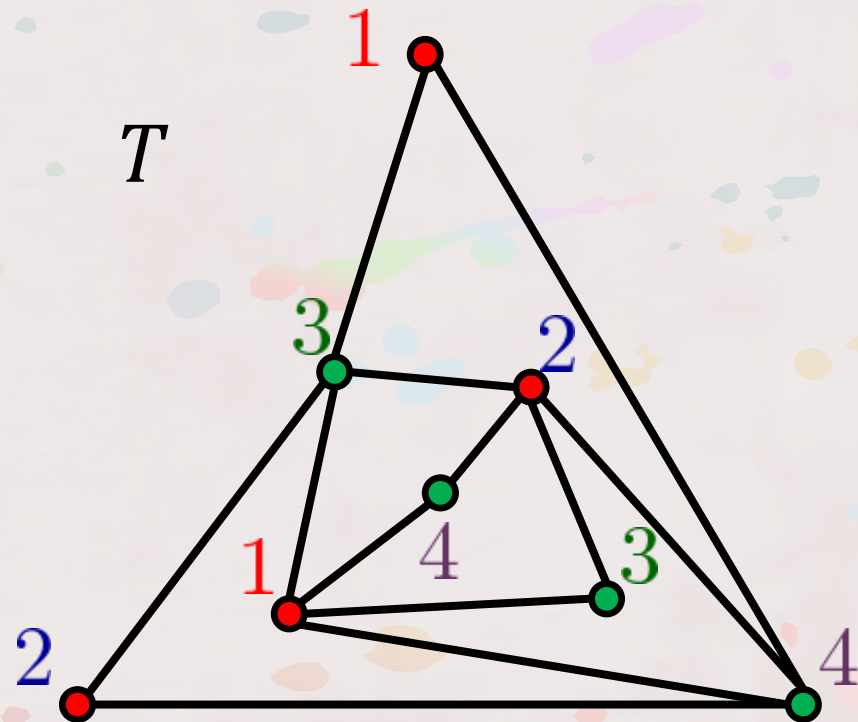
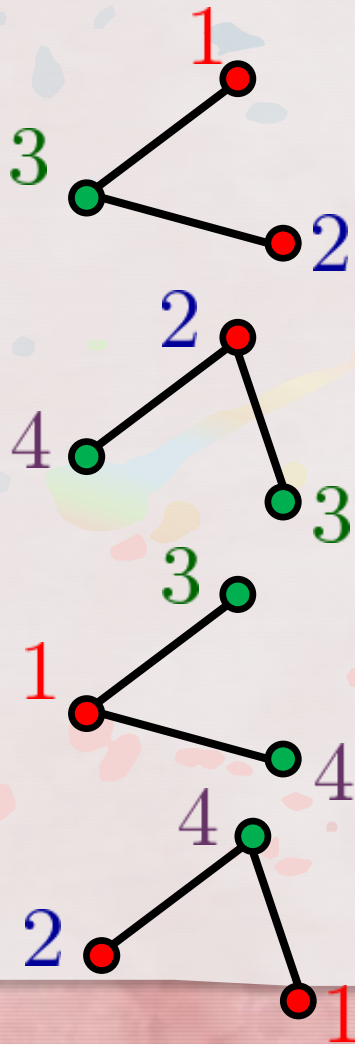
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## On the projective plane

Theorem 1 (Kündgen, Thomassen, 2017; Nakamoto, N., Ozeki, 2019)

Let  $T$  be an **Eulerian** tri. of the projective plane.

If  $T$  is 3-colorable, then every spanning quad. of  $T$  is

**bipartite**. If  $T$  is not 3-colorable, then  $T$  has both **bipartite** and **non-bipartite** spanning quads.

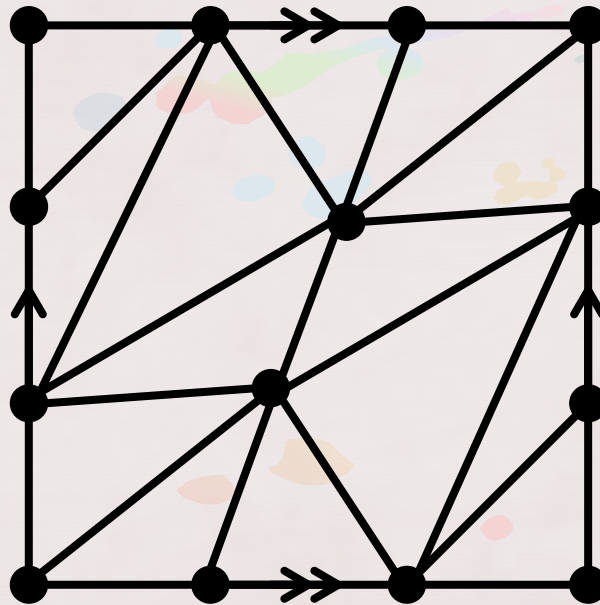
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## On the torus

Fact

Even tri.  $K_7$  of the torus has no spanning bipartite quad.

$K_7 \subset S_1$



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## A known theorem

Theorem C (Kündgen, Thomassen, 2017)

Let  $T$  be a loopless **Eulerian** tri. of the torus.

Then  $T$  has a spanning **non-bipartite** quad.

Furthermore, if  $T$  has sufficiently large edge width, then  $T$  has a spanning **bipartite** quad.

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## Main theorem

Theorem 2 (Nakamoto, N., Ozeki, 2019)

Let  $T$  be a loopless **Eulerian** tri. of the torus.

$T$  has a spanning **bipartite** quad. if and only if  
 $T$  does not have  $K_7$  as a subgraph.

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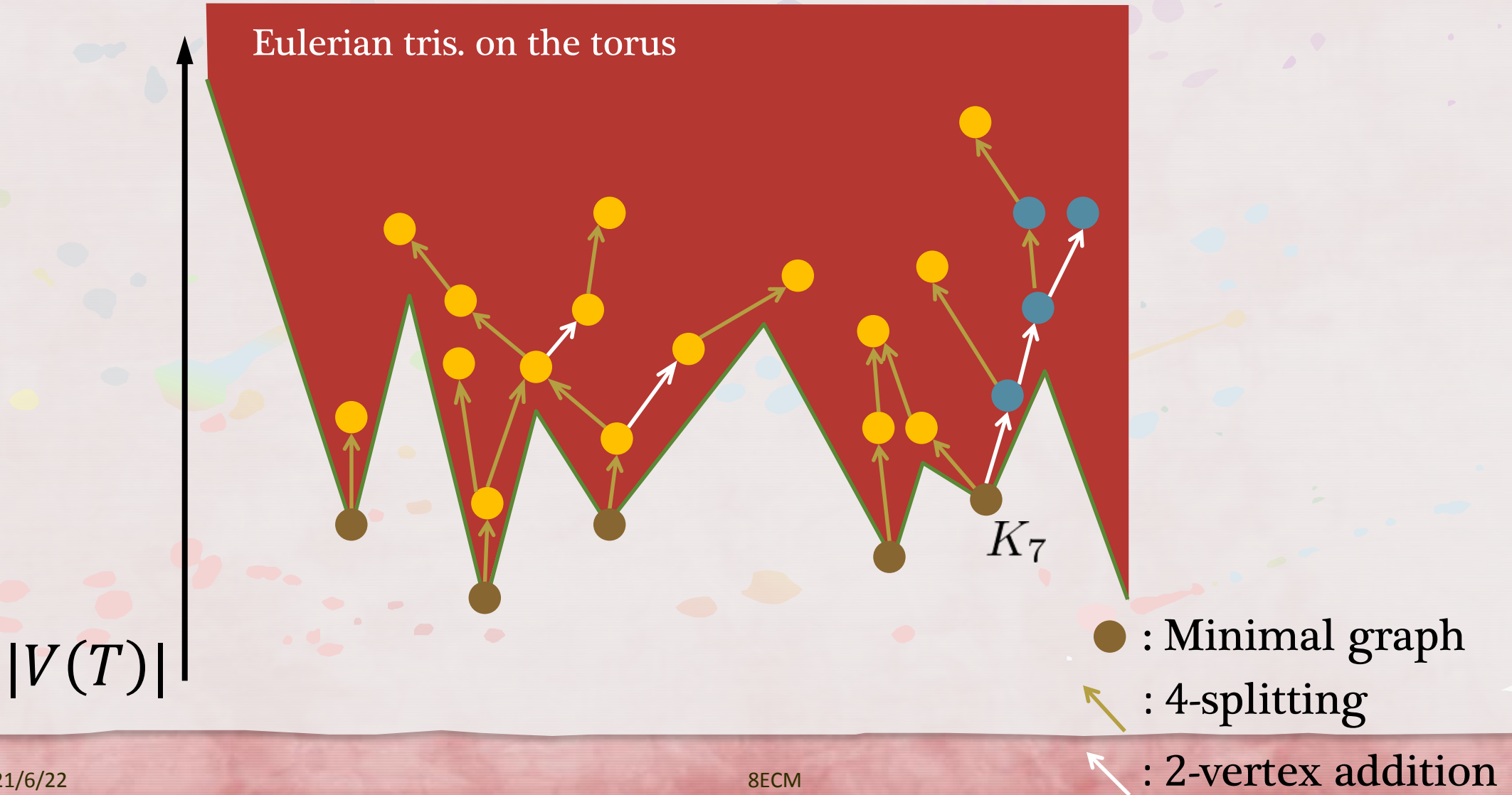
We use a “generating” theorem.

Theorem D (Matsumoto, Nakamoto, Yamaguchi, 2018)

Every loopless Eulerian tri. of the torus is generated from one of 27 minimal graphs and 6-regular tris. by using 4-splittings and 2-vertex additions.

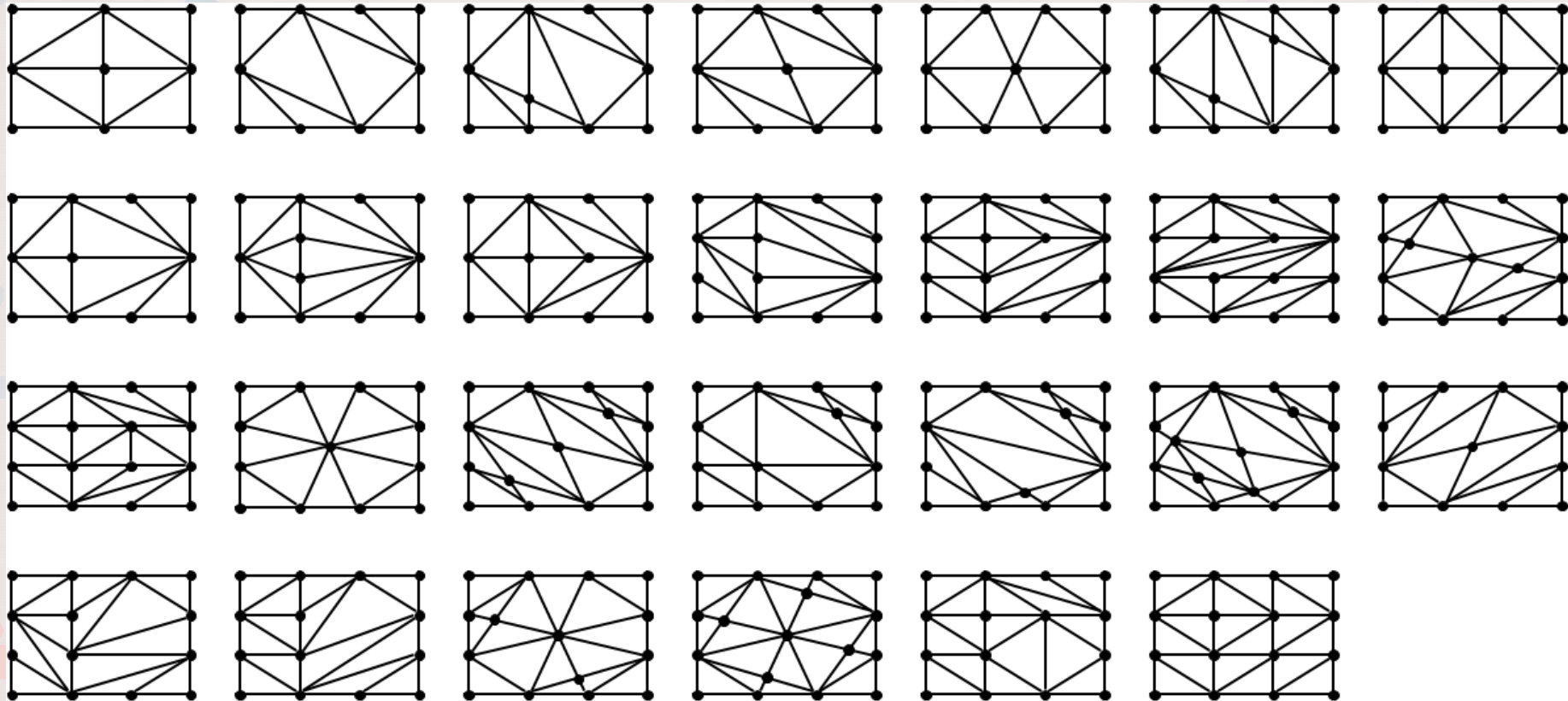
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# Generating Eulerian tris.



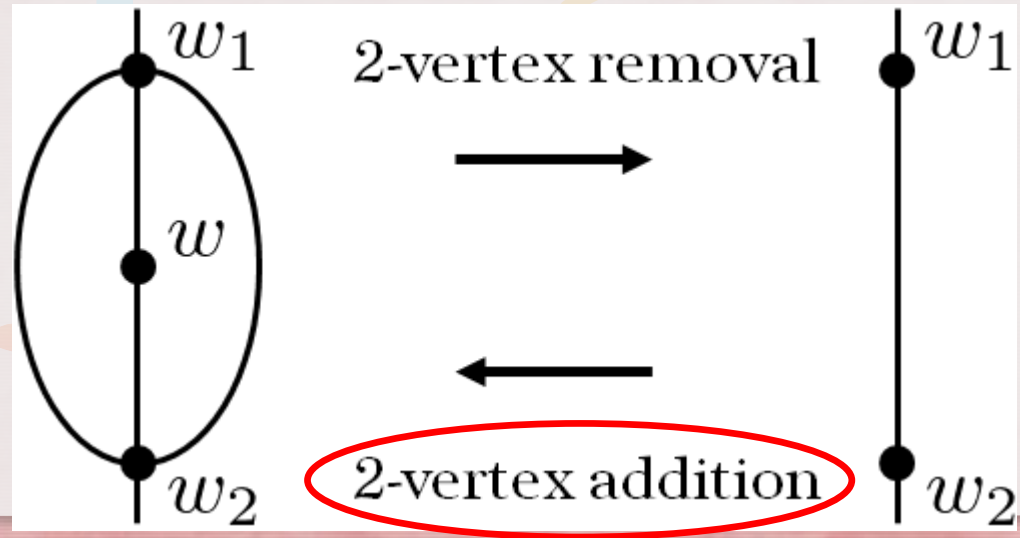
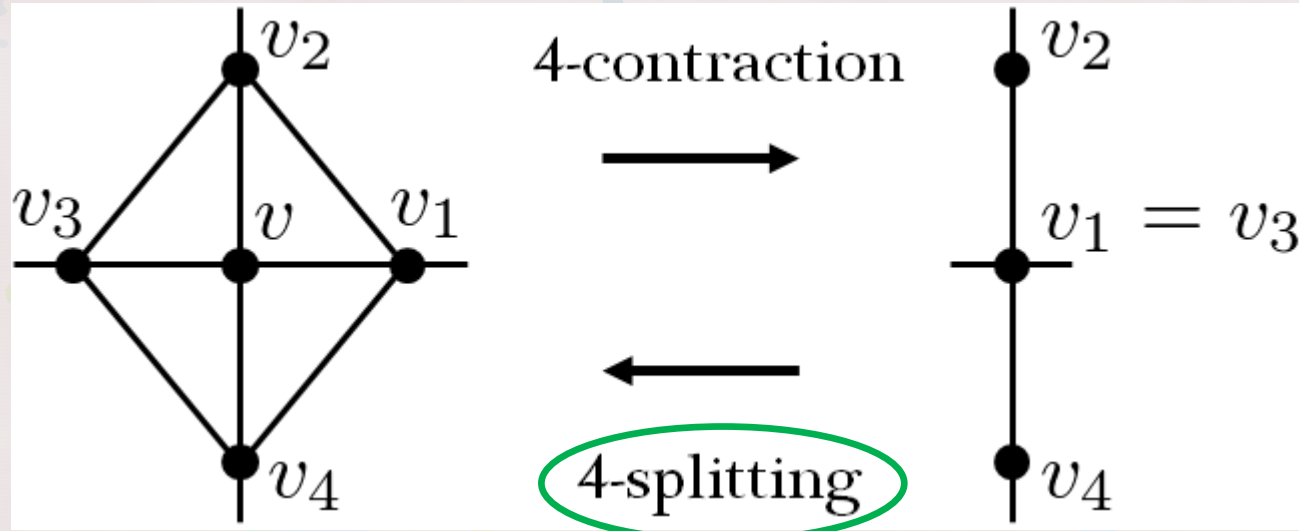
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# 27 minimal graphs



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# Two operations for the generating theorem

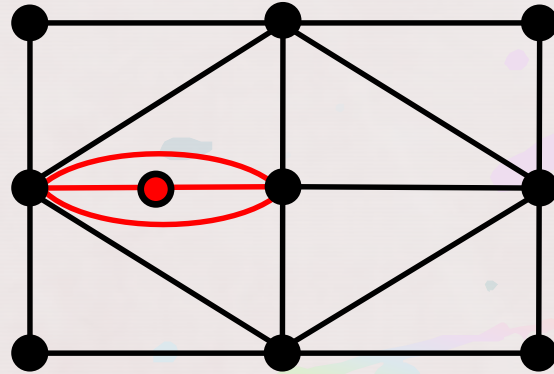




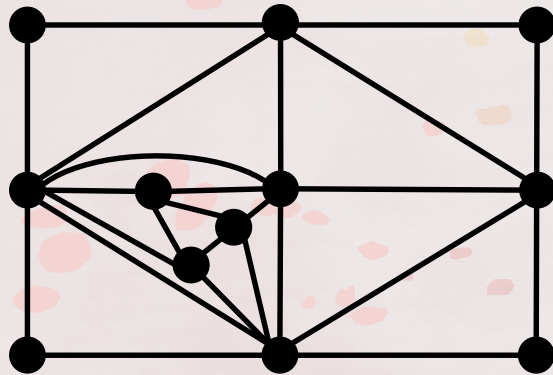
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# 2-vertex addition

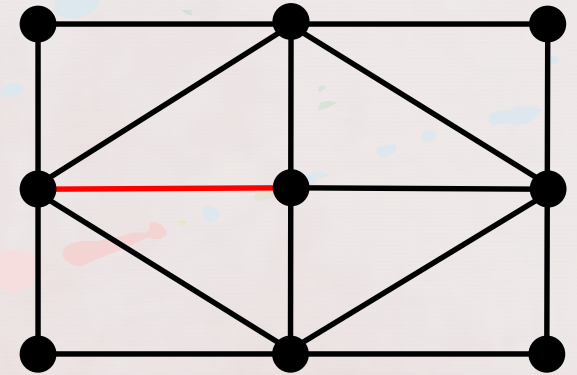
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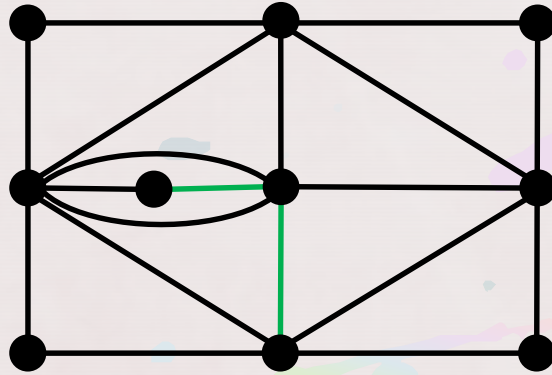
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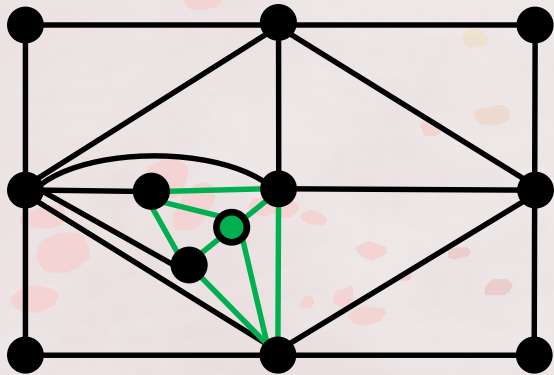
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# 4-splitting

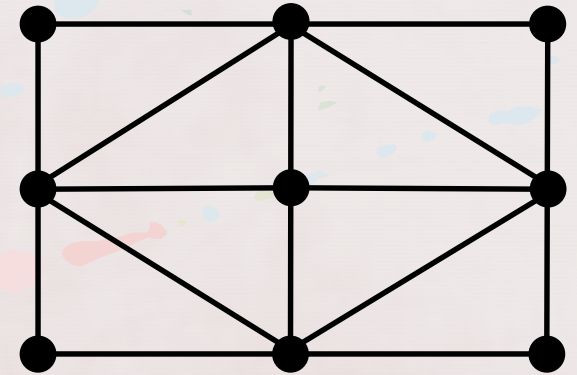
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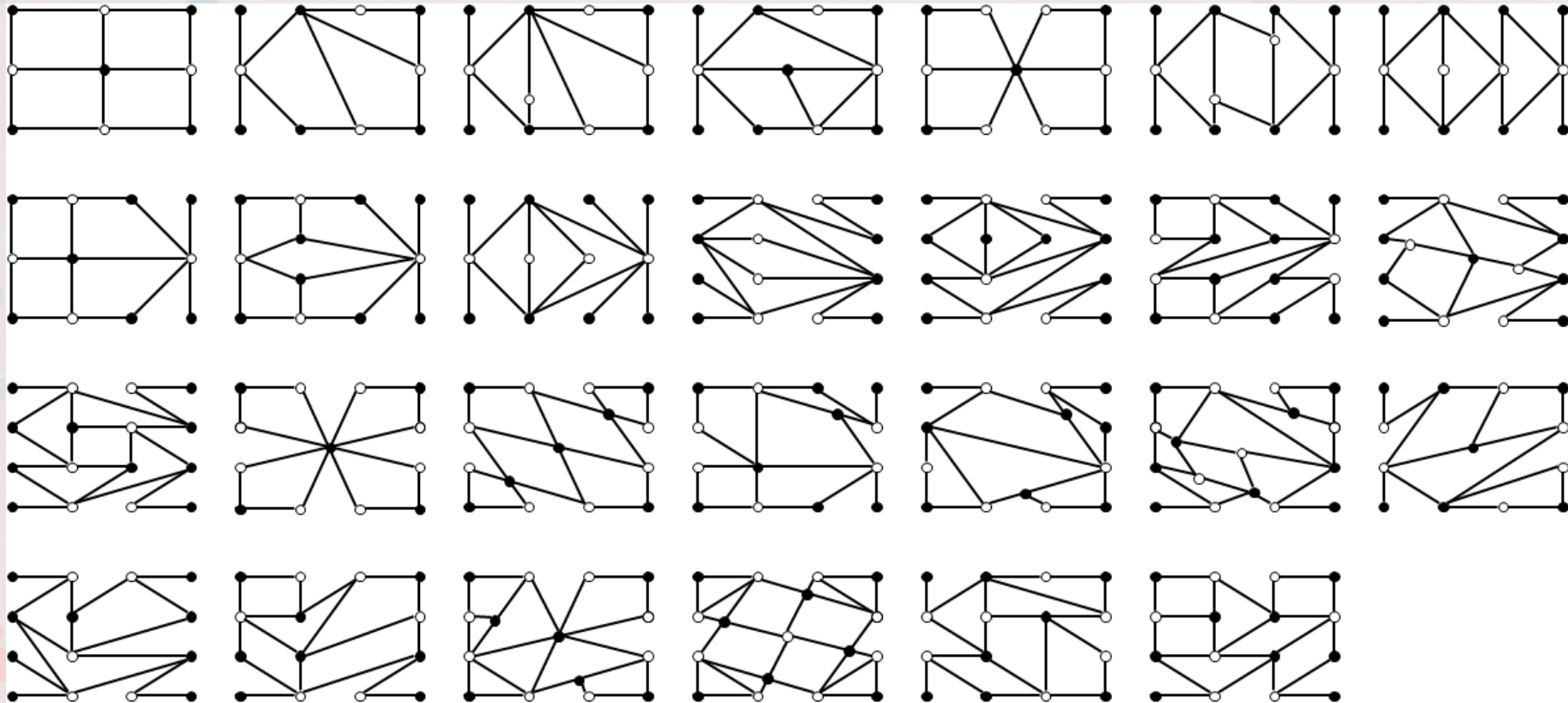
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We use the generating theorem.

- (i) Confirming that all minimal graphs other than  $K_7$  have a spanning bipartite quad.
- (ii) Showing that the bipartiteness of a spanning quad. is preserved under the two operations.

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# Spanning bipartite quads.



# Conclusion

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