

Graph switching, 2-ranks, and graphical Hadamard matrices

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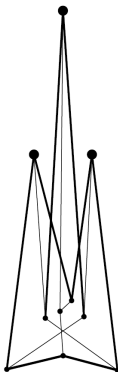
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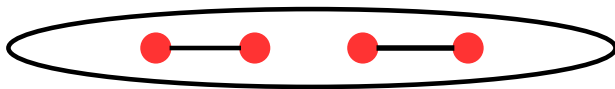


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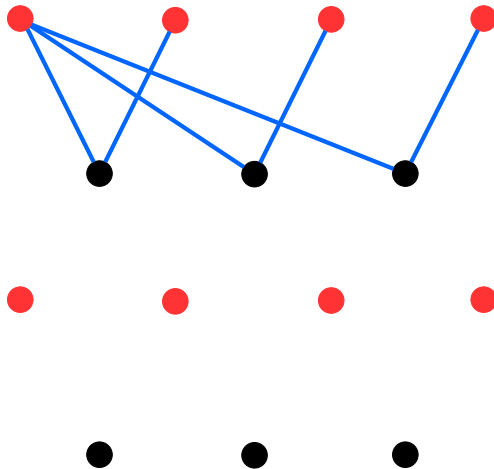
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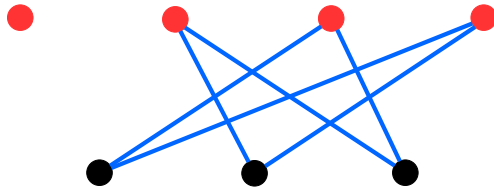
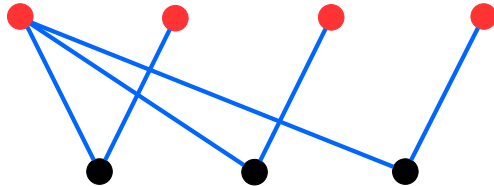
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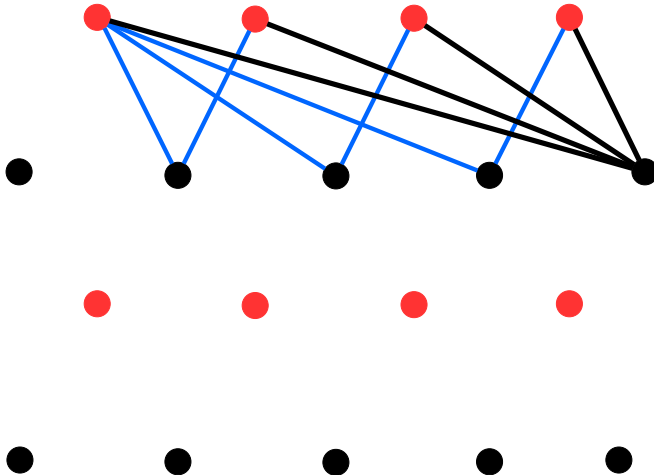
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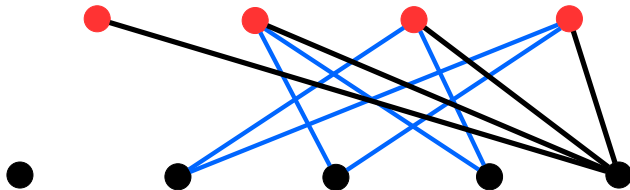
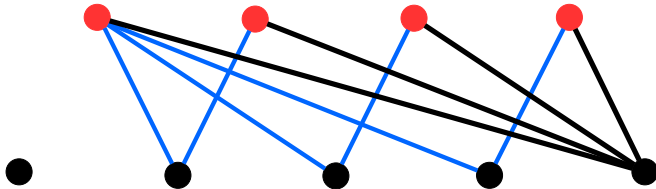
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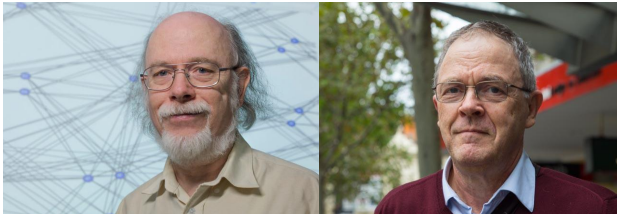
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2-rank

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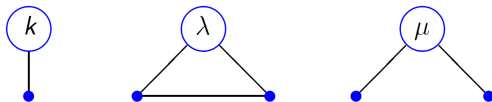
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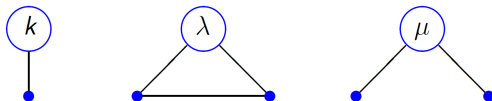
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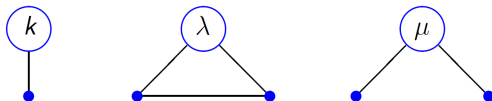
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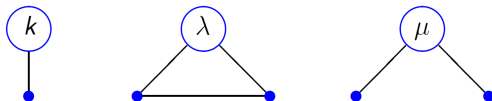


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The set $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ is a Godsil-McKay switching set of $Sp(2\nu, 2)$ for $\nu \geq 3$.

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Theorem (Abiad and Haemers 2016)

For $\nu \geq 3$, the graph G' obtained from $Sp(2\nu, 2)$ by switching with respect to the switching set B given above, is strongly regular with the same parameters as $Sp(2\nu, 2)$, but with 2-rank equal to $2\nu + 2$.

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If H normalized, A_H corresponds to $(n-1, \frac{n}{2}, \frac{n}{4}, \frac{n}{4})$:

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H_1, H_2 Hadamard matrices $\implies H_1 \otimes H_2$ Hadamard matrix.

Lemma (Abiad and Haemers 2016)

Let H_1 and H_2 be Hadamard matrices, and let $\rho(H) = 2\text{-rank}(A_H)$. Then,

$$\rho(H_1 \otimes H_2) \leq \rho(H_1) + \rho(H_2),$$

with equality if H_1 and H_2 are normalized.

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Corollary (Abiad and Haemers 2016)

Using the above recursive construction we get SRG with the parameters of $Sp(2\nu, 2)$ and 2-ranks:

$$2\nu, 2\nu + 2, \dots, 2\nu + 12\lfloor \nu/3 \rfloor.$$

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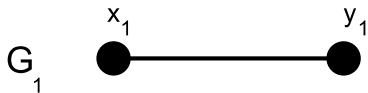
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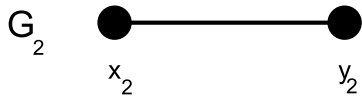
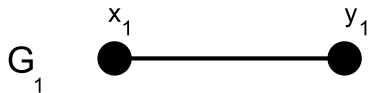
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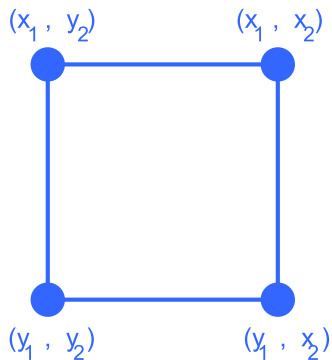
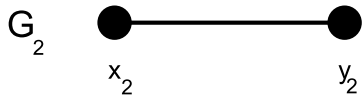
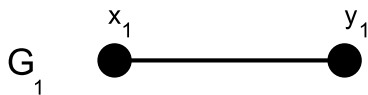
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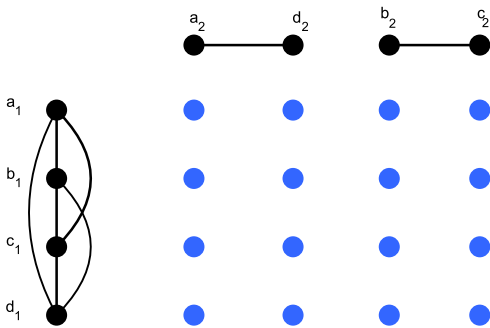
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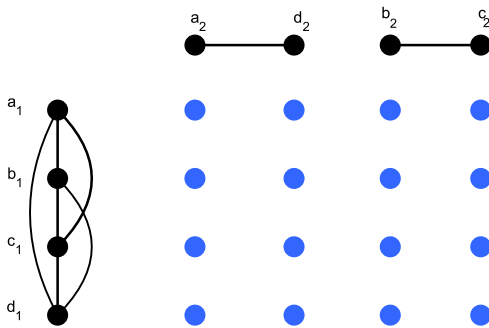
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Our tool: graph product and its 2-rank behaviour

Theorem (Abiad, Butler and Haemers 2018)

For two graphs G_1 and G_2 the following hold:

- (i) $\mathbf{1} \in \text{Col}_2(G_1 \otimes G_2)$ if and only if $\mathbf{1} \in \text{Col}_2(G_1)$ or $\mathbf{1} \in \text{Col}_2(G_2)$,
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SRGs

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