

Supersolvable Posets & Fiber-type Arrangements

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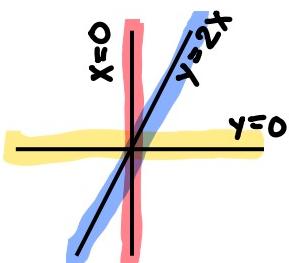
Arrangements

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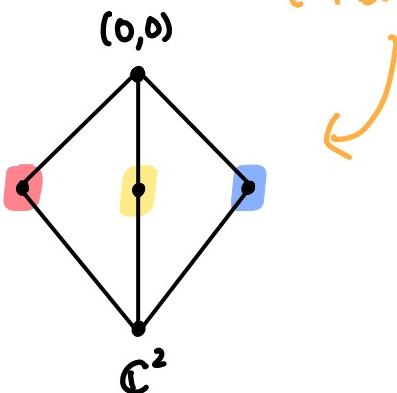
$$H_\alpha = \ker \left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ \vec{x} \mapsto a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n \end{array} \right)$$

$$\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_e\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^n - 0$$

hyperplane arrangement



geometric lattice
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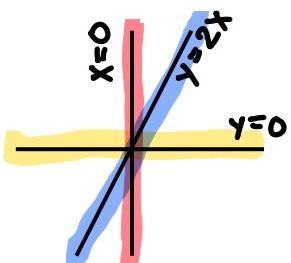
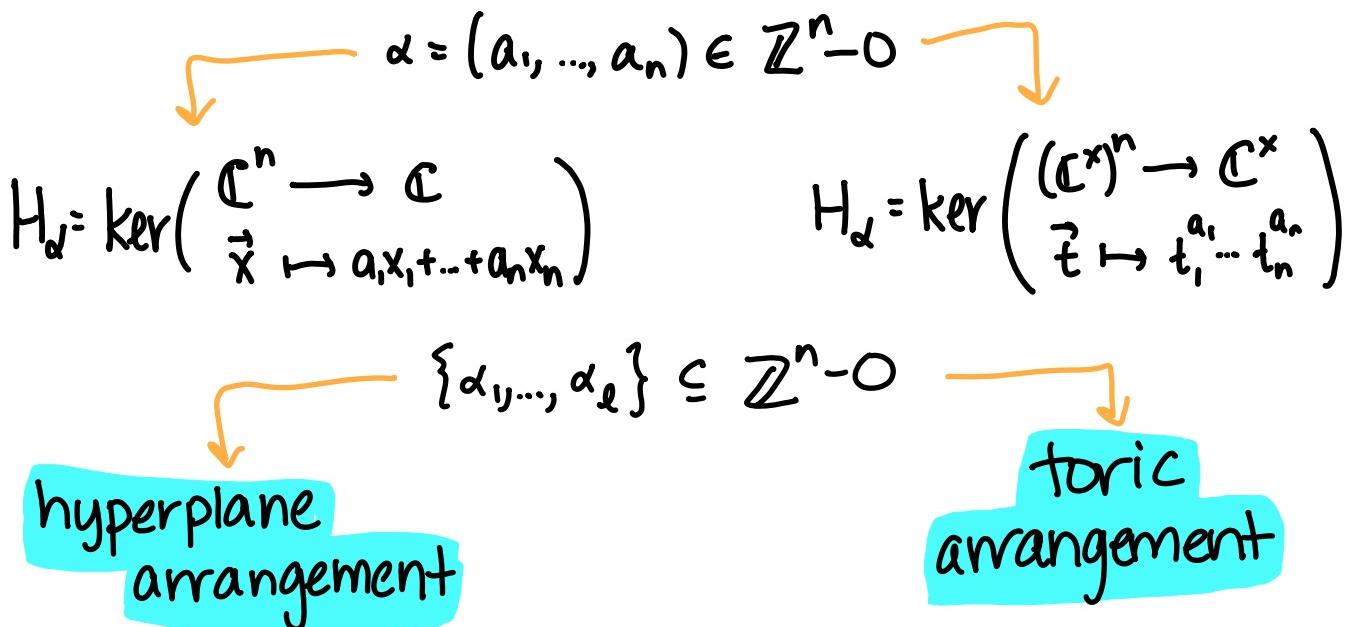
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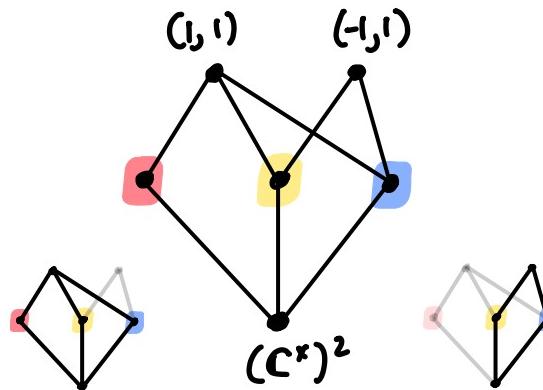
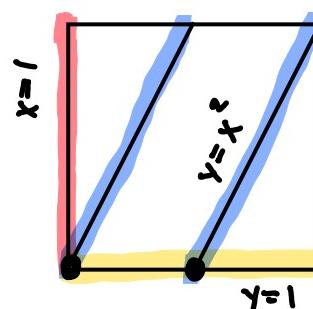
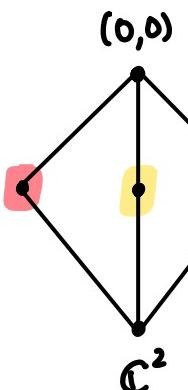
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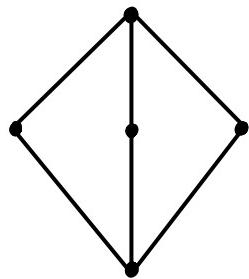
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Locally geometric posets

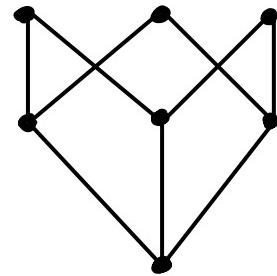
In a finite poset P let

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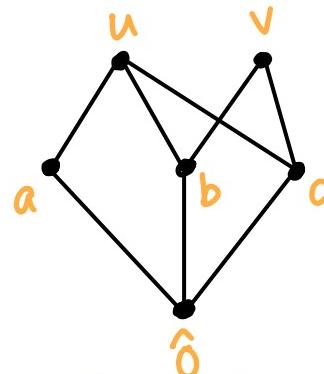
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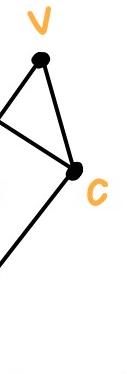


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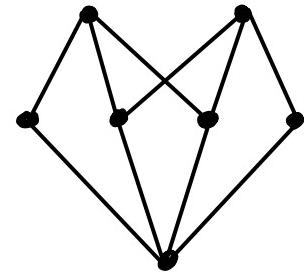
$$a \vee v = \phi$$

$$a \wedge v = \hat{0}$$



$$b \vee c = \{u, v\}$$

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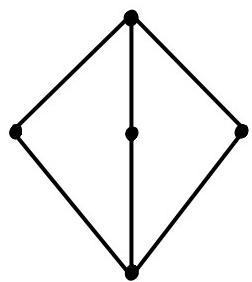
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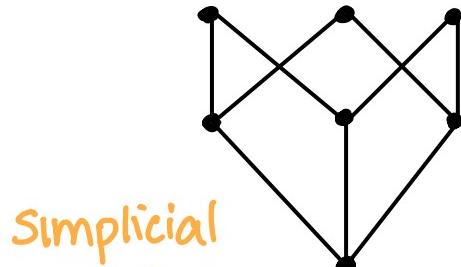
P is a **geometric lattice** if it is a lattice and

$$x < y \iff \exists \text{ atom } a \in P \text{ s.t. } a \nleq x \text{ & } y = x \vee a.$$

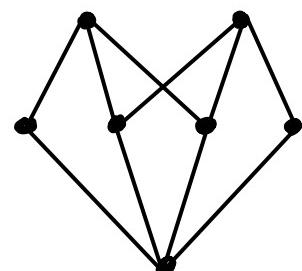
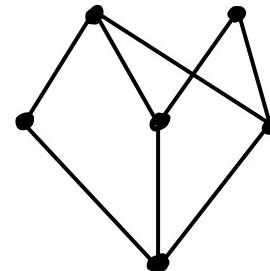
P is a **locally geometric poset** if it is bounded below ($\min = \hat{0}$) and every closed interval is a geometric lattice



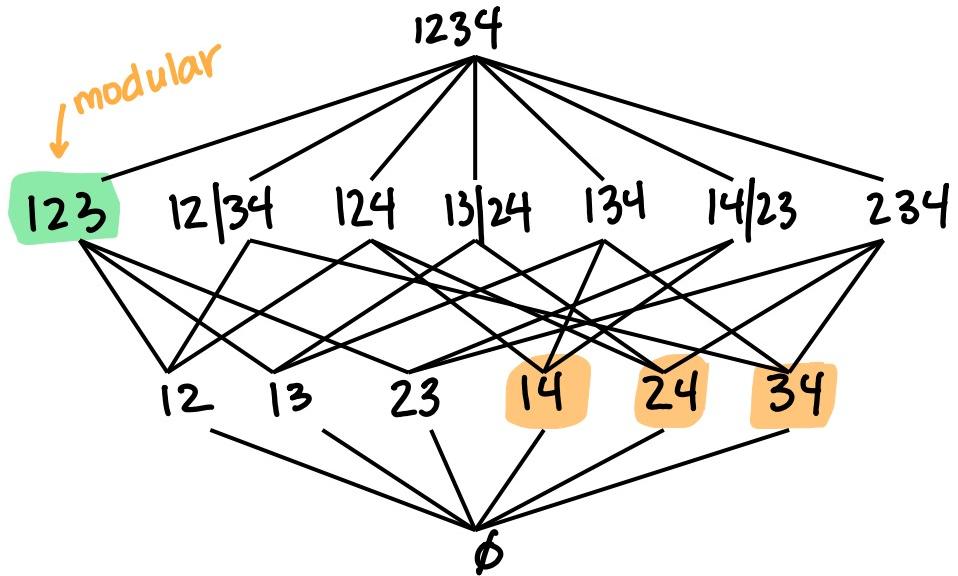
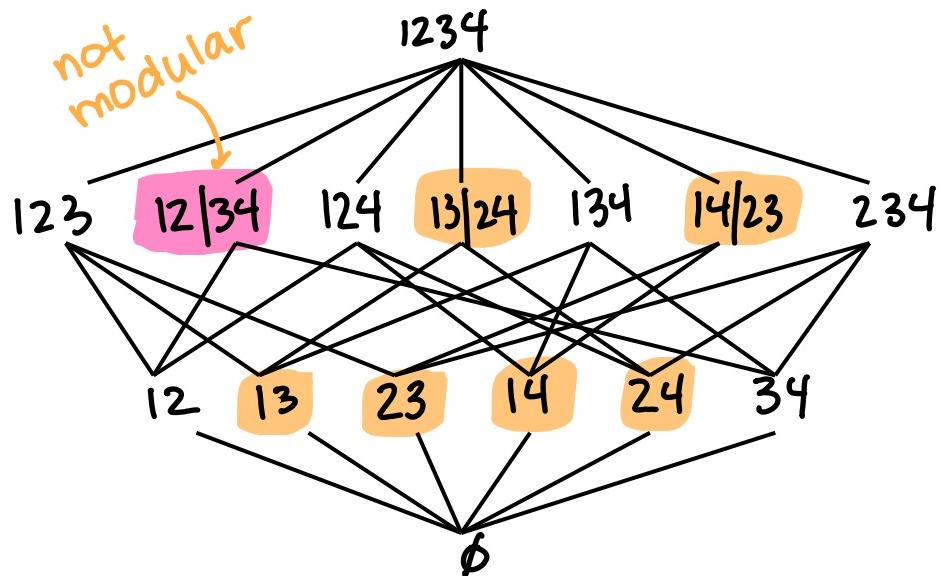
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Simplicial
poset /
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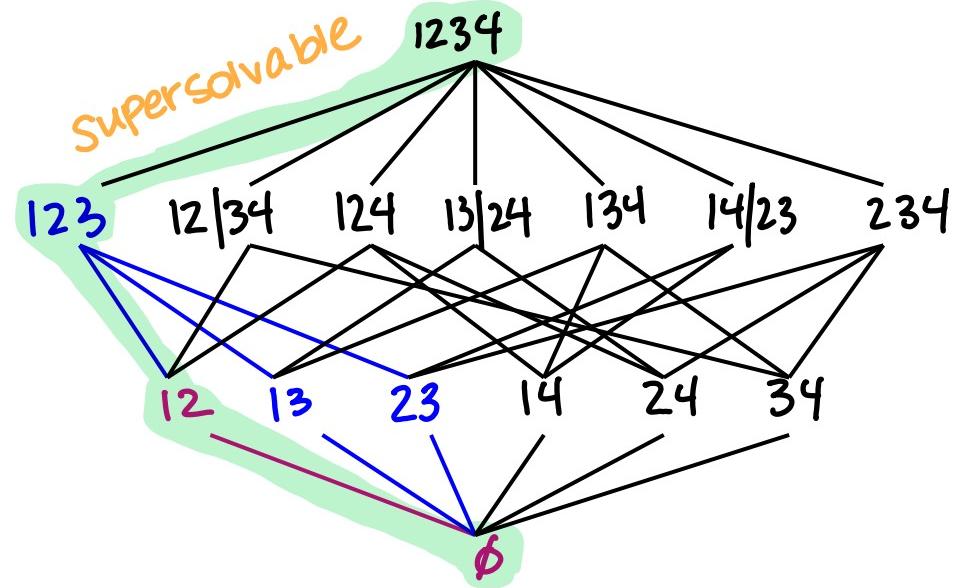
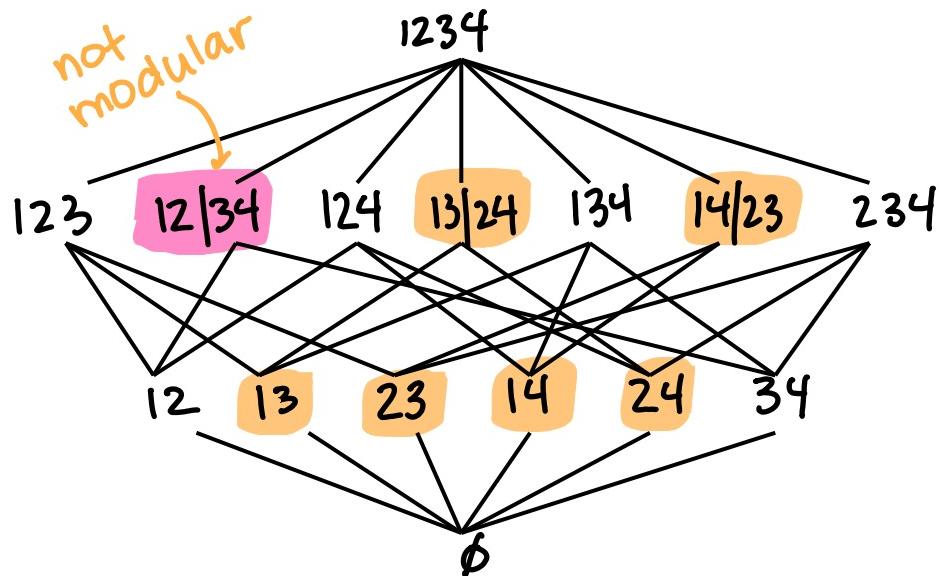
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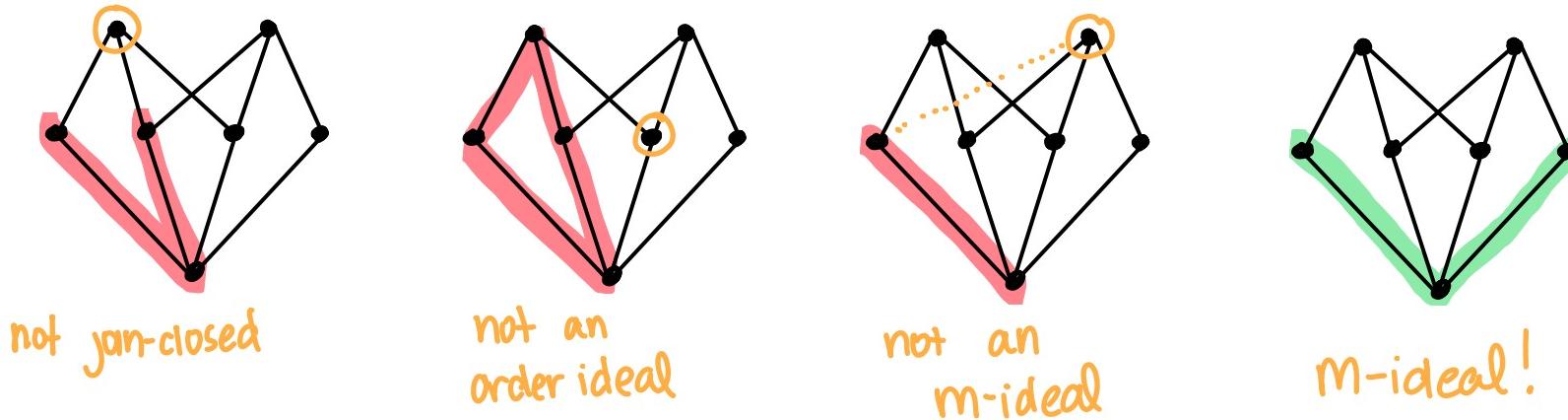
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A geometric lattice is **supersolvable** if it has a chain $\hat{0} = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_r = \hat{1}$ with each x_i modular

(Stanley '72)

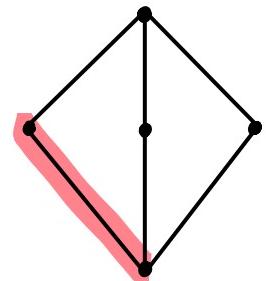
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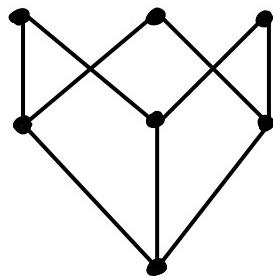
An **M-ideal** in a locally geometric poset P is a pure, join-closed order ideal $Q \subseteq P$ s.t.

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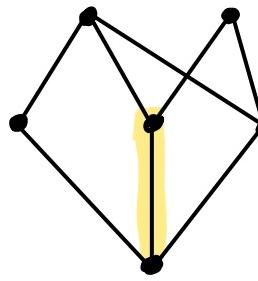
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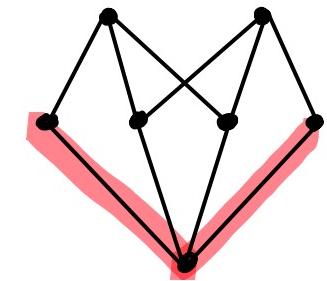
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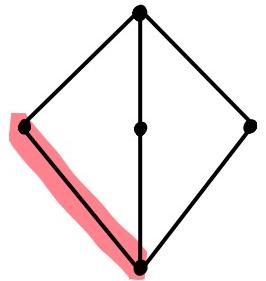
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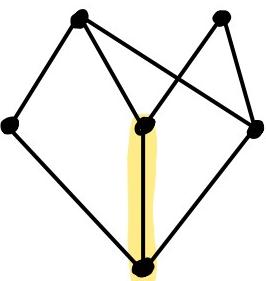
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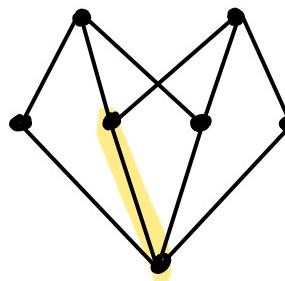
Strictly Supersolvable locally geometric posets



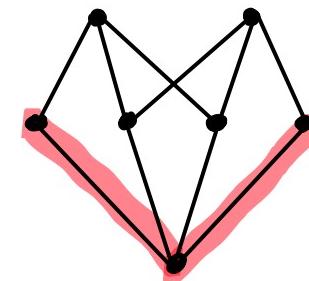
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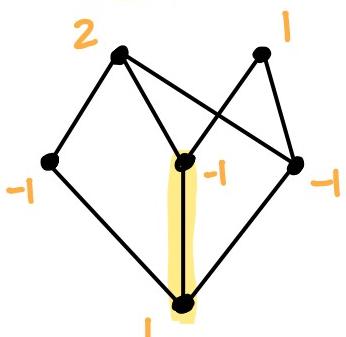
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Characteristic Polynomial

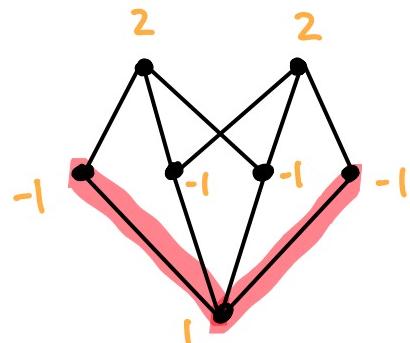
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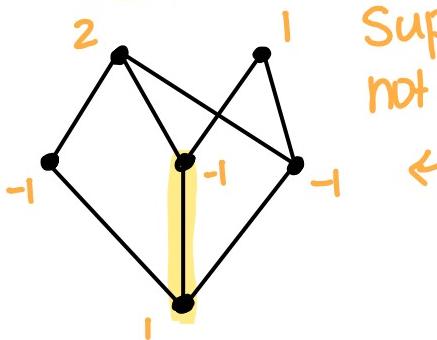
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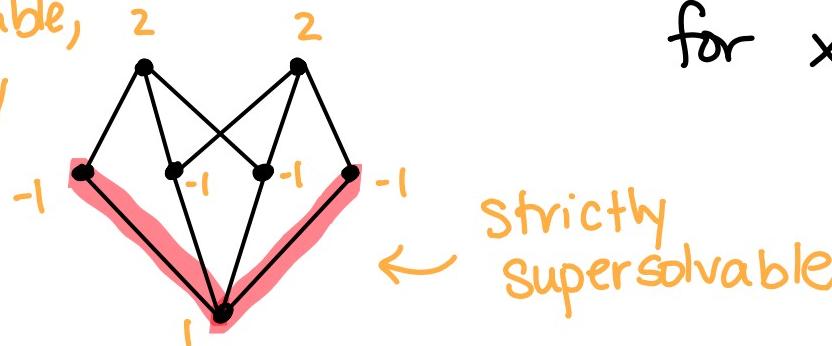
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Theorem (B.-Delucchi '24, Stanley '72 for lattices)

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then $\chi_p(t) = \prod_{i=1}^r (t - a_i)$ with $a_i = \#\text{atoms in } Q_i \text{ not in } Q_{i-1}$

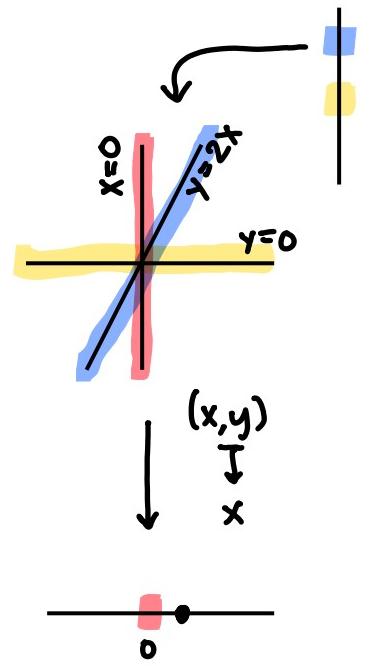
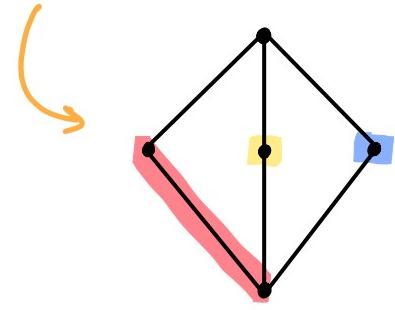
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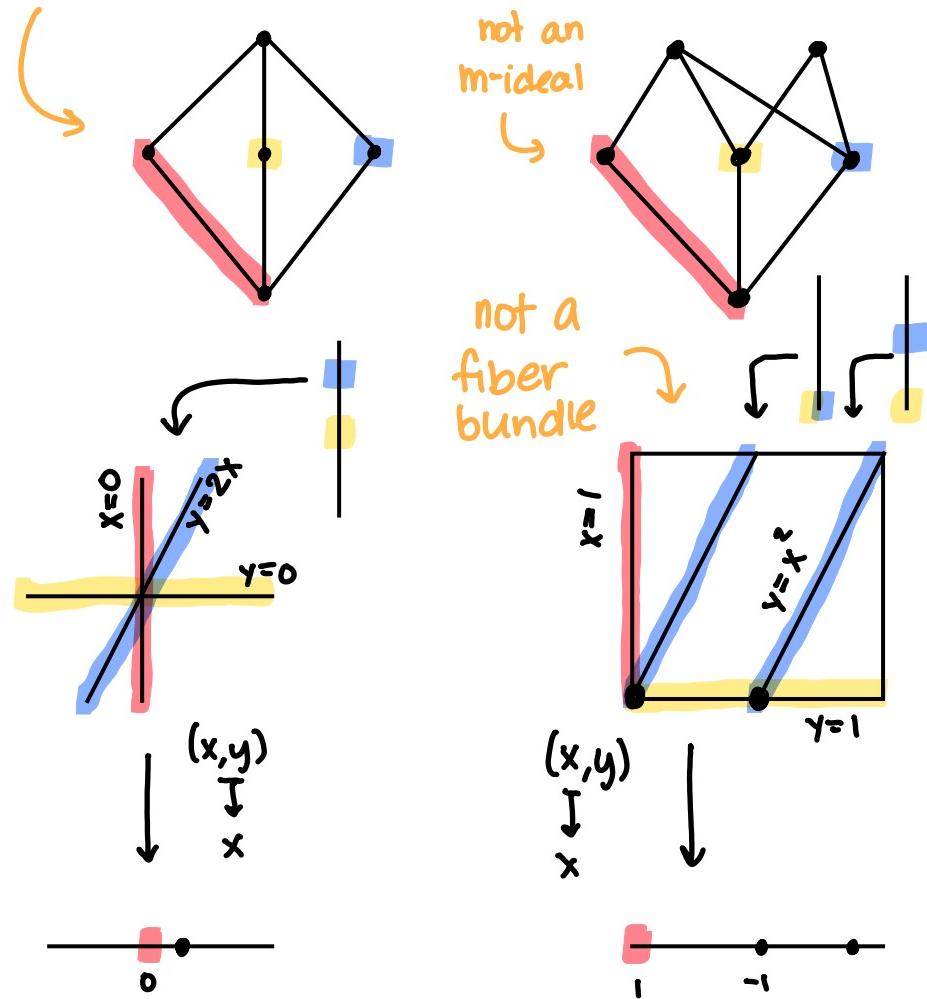


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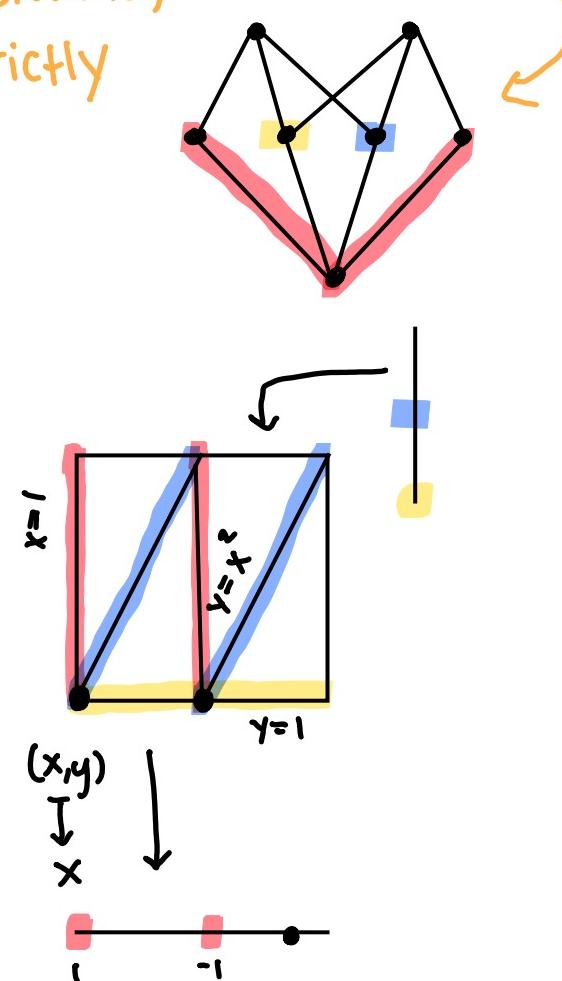
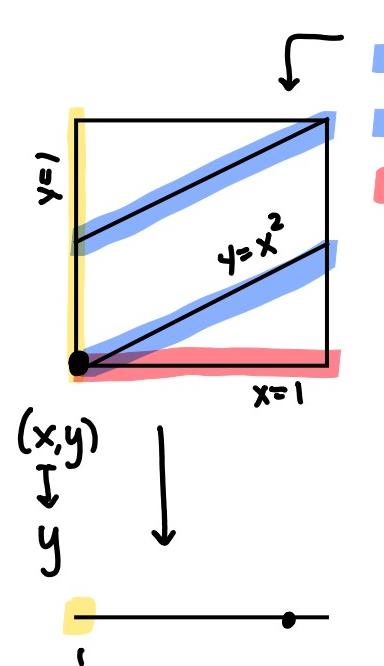
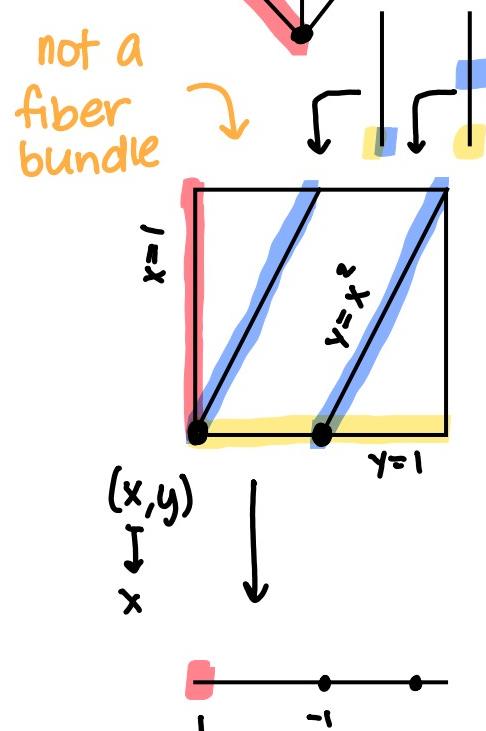
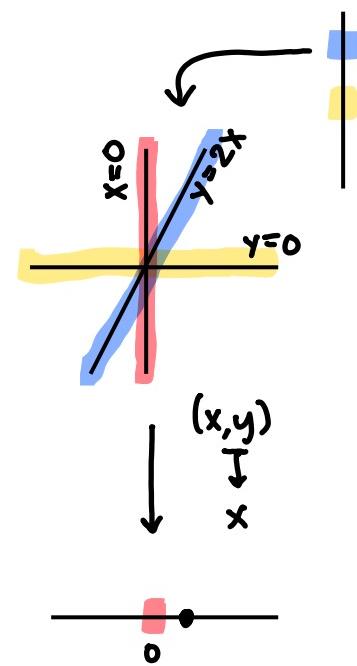
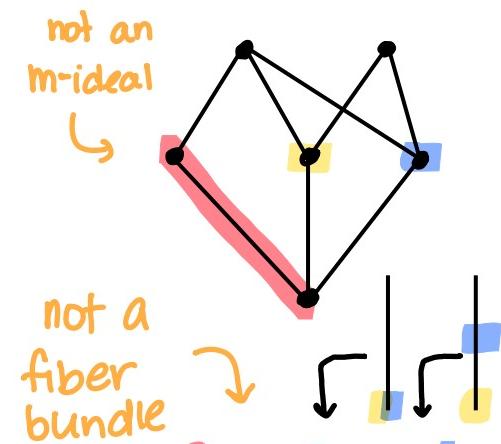
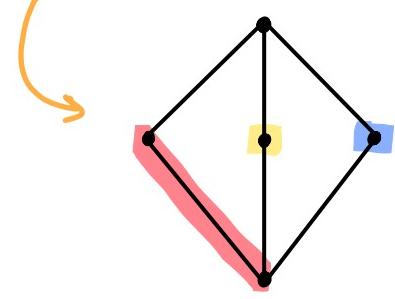
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