

# Session 3: An application to coding theory and cryptography

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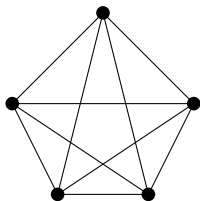
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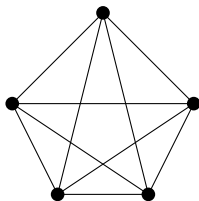
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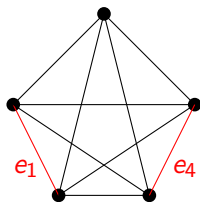
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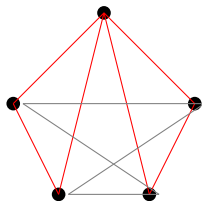
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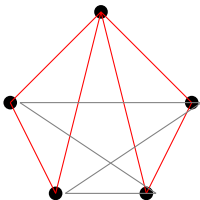
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- **Cycle space** of  $G$ : the vector space over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  of all cycles. It has dimension  $m - n + 1$  (cyclomatic number)



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**Cycle code** of  $G$ : the linear binary code  $[n, k, d]$  defined by the **cycle space** of  $G$  with

- (i) length  $m$  (number of edges)
- (ii) dimension  $k = m - n + 1$  (cyclotomic number)
- (iii) minimum distance  $d =$  girth of  $G$  (length of smallest cycle).
- (iv) incidence matrix of  $G \longleftrightarrow$  parity-check matrix of the code (low-density parity-check code)

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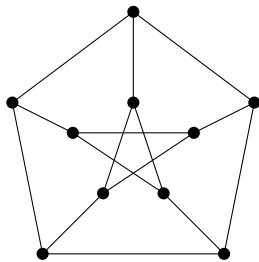
The are implemented in the standards of CD technology (by using Reed–Solomon codes).

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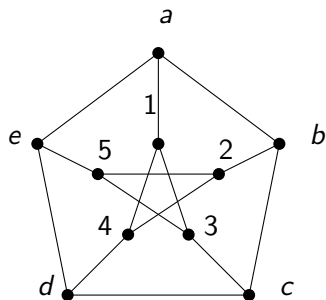




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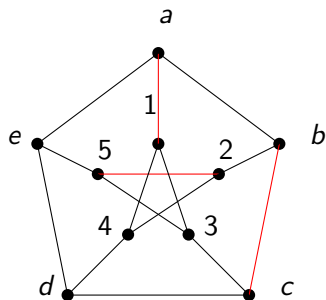
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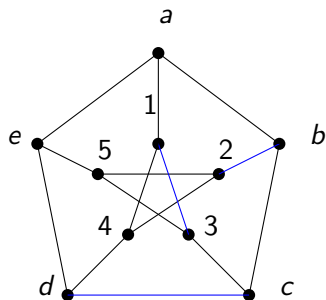
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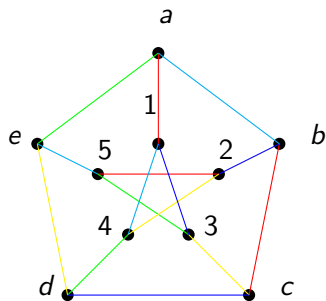
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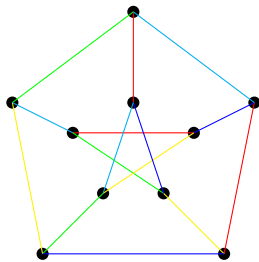
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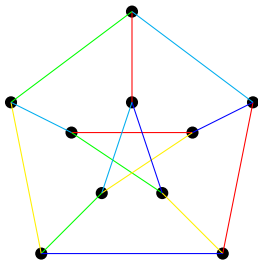
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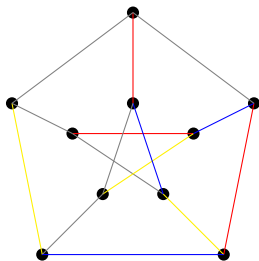
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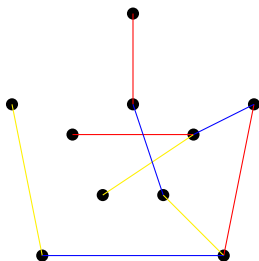
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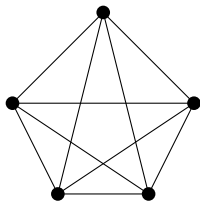
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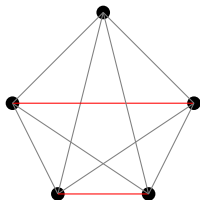
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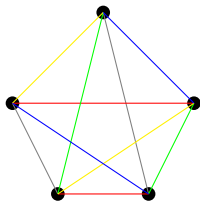
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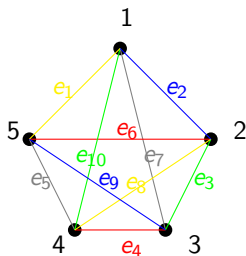
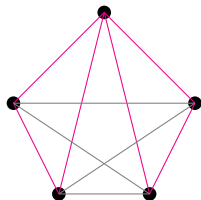
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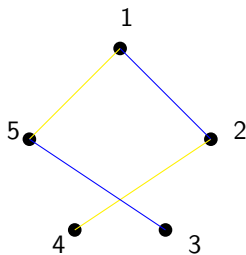
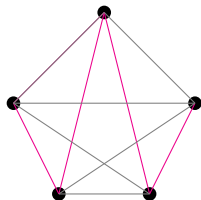


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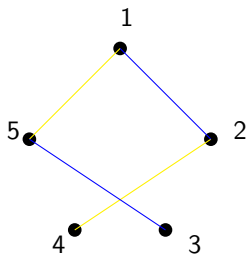
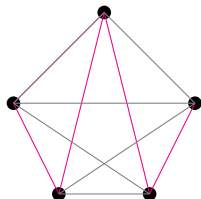
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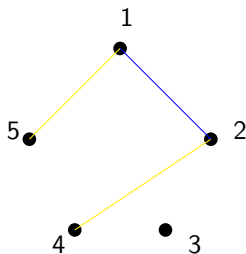
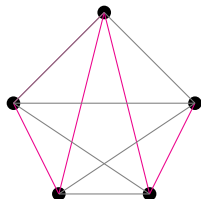
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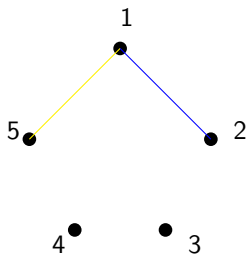
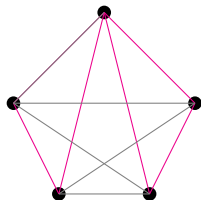
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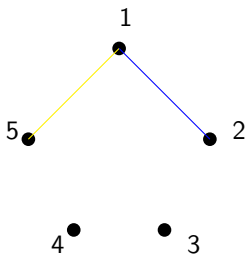
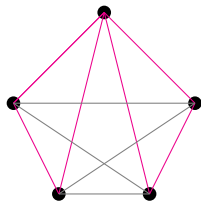
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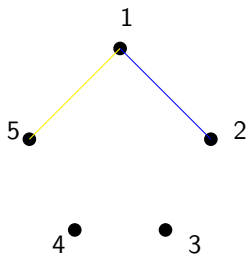
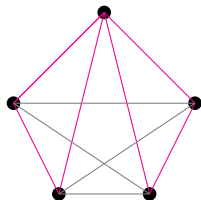
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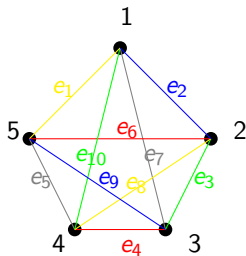
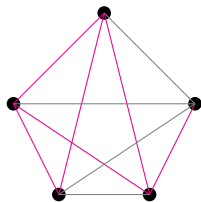
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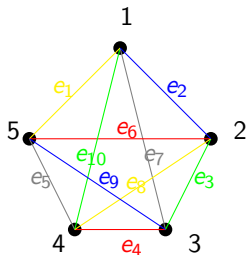
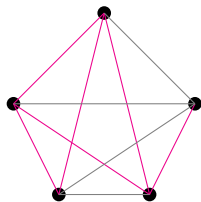
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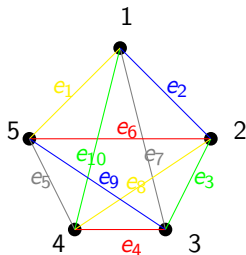
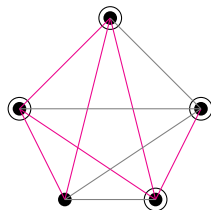
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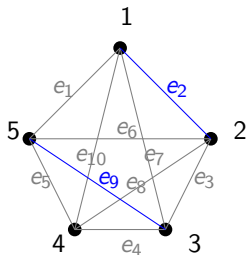
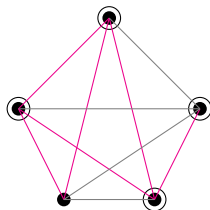
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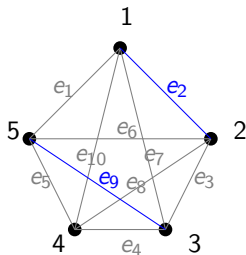
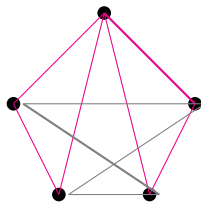
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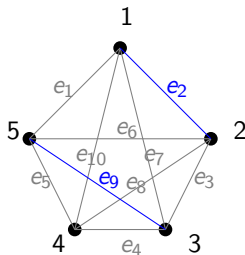
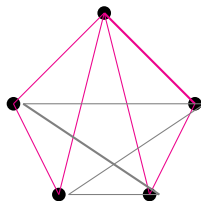




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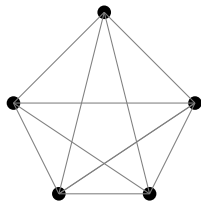
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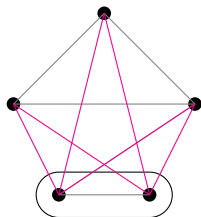
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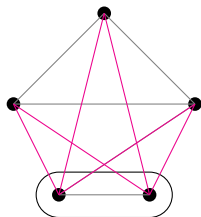
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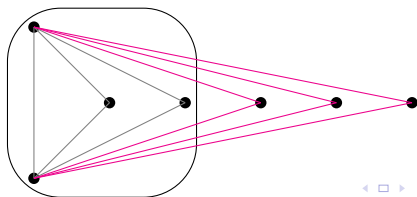
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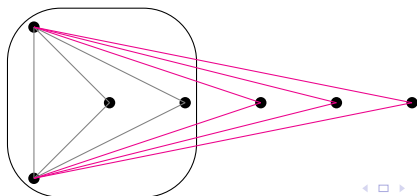
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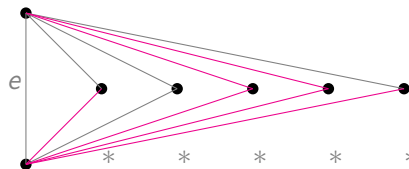
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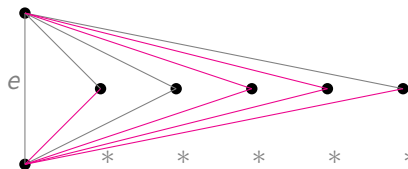
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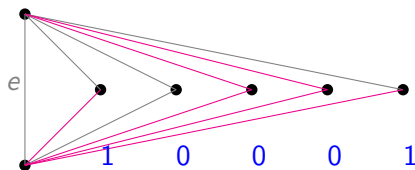




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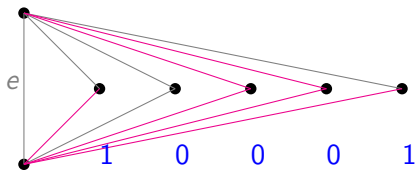
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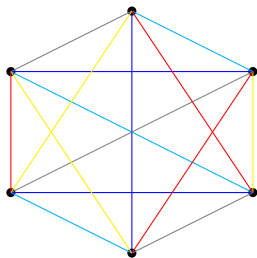
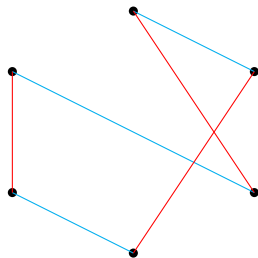
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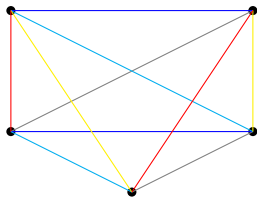
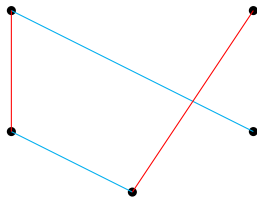
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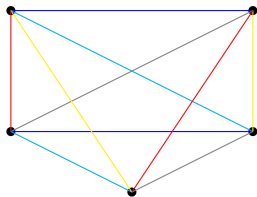
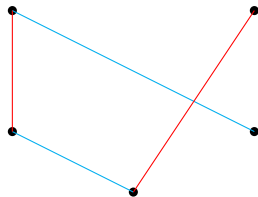


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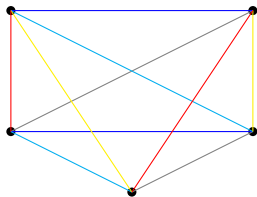
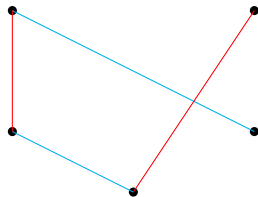


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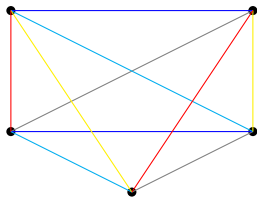
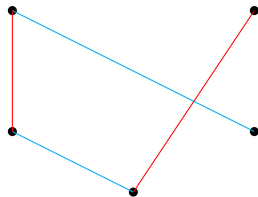


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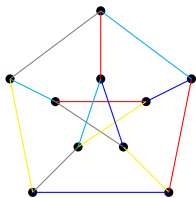
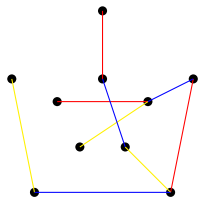
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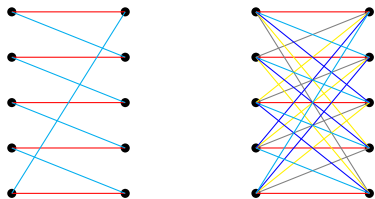
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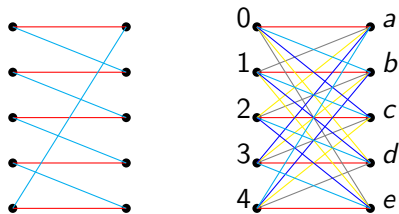
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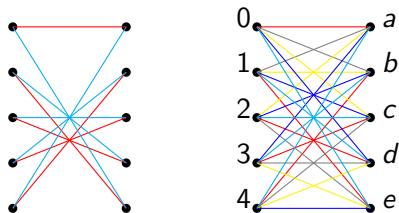
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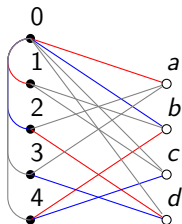
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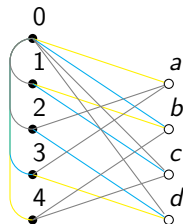
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