

A spanning Bipartite Quadrangulation of a Triangulation

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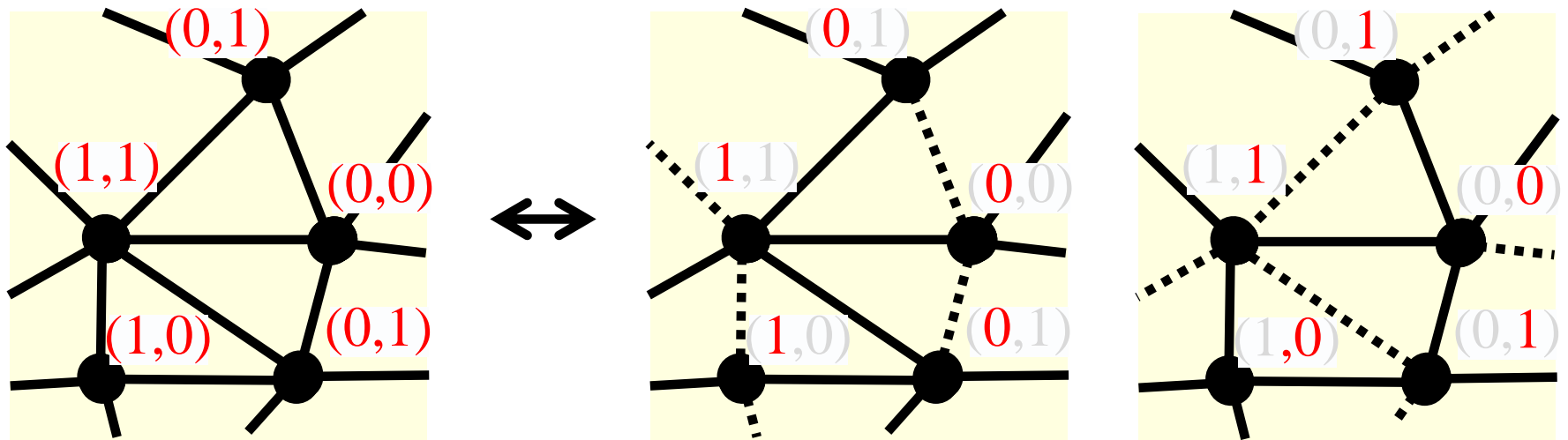


Spanning bipartite quadrangulation

✓ (folklore) G : triangulation (of any surface)

\exists 4-coloring in G

$\Leftrightarrow \exists$ 2 spanning bipartite quadrangulations covering $E(G)$



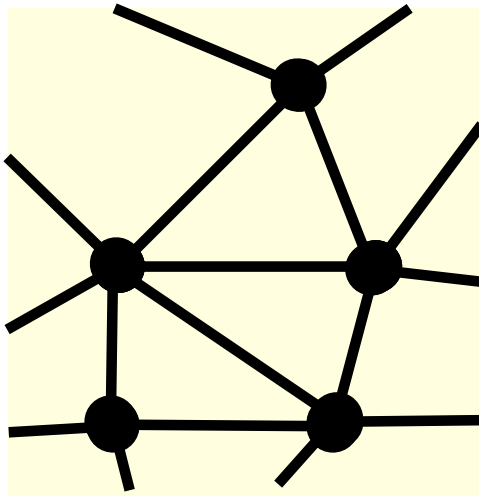
Find a sp. bip. quad. in triangulations

Spanning bipartite quadrangulation

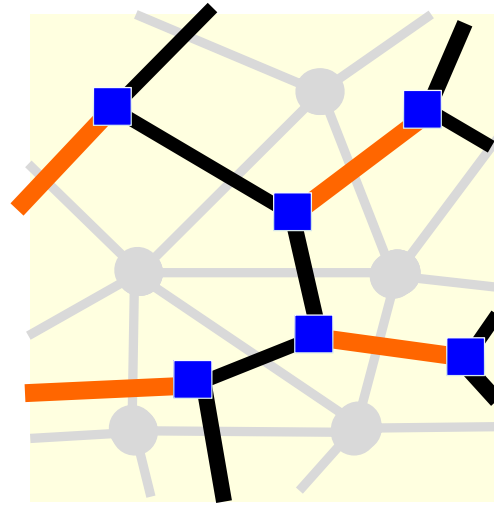
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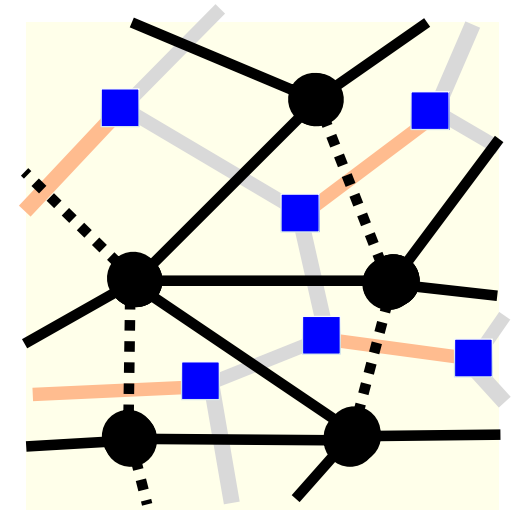
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G : triangulation



The dual G^*
has a **perfect matching**



Any **PM** gives
a **sp. quad.** of G

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Note: Any quadrangulation of the **plane** is **bipartite**.

Cor.

G : triangulation of the **plane**

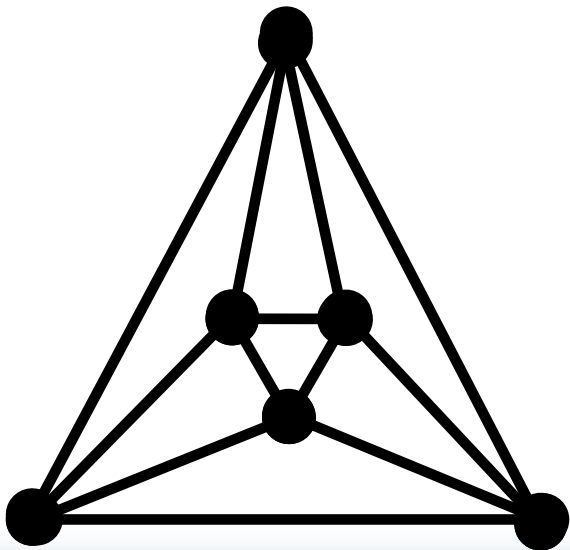
$\Rightarrow \exists$ a **spanning bipartite quadrangulation**

What about the case of **non-spherical surfaces**?

Spanning bipartite quadrangulation

The general cases seem difficult.

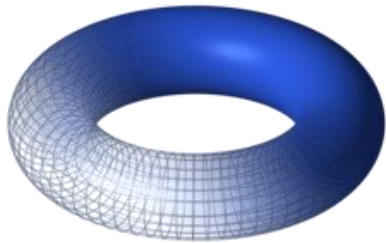
→ Our target : **Eulerian** triangulation
(\forall vertex has **even** degree)



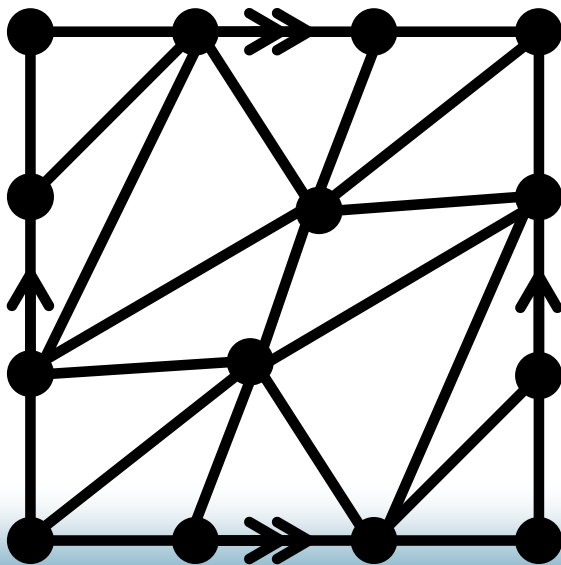
Not all (**Eulerian**) triangulations
have a **sp. bip. quadrangulation**

The toroidal case

- ✓ K_7 on the torus has NO sp. bip. quadrangulation



∴ K_7 on the torus has 7 vertices,
21 edges, and 14 faces



To obtain a sp. bip. quad.,
we delete exactly $14/2 = 7$ edges

But, \nexists bip. graph on 7 vertices

and $21 - 7 = 14$ edges. \square

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Main Thm.

G : Eulerian triangulation of the torus

\exists a sp. bip. quadrangulation in G

$\Leftrightarrow G$ does NOT have K_7 as a subgraph

- ✓ Kundgen & Thomassen ('17) gave a weaker sufficient condition
- ✓ Later, I will show an idea of the proof.

The existence of sp. bip. quad.

✓ Eulerian triangulation

Plane	Torus	
	 \Leftrightarrow $\mathbb{A} K_7$	

The projective planar case

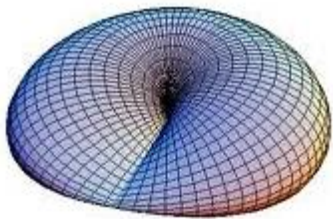
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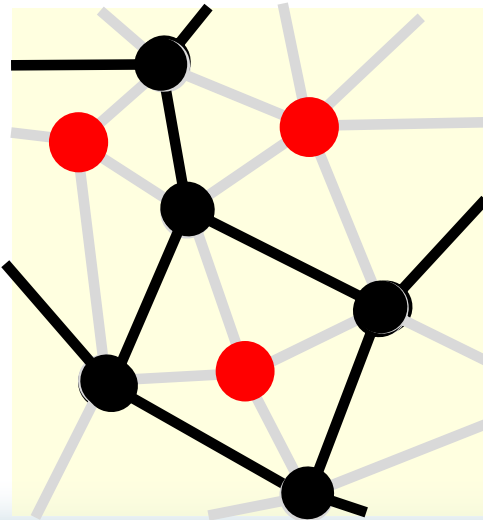
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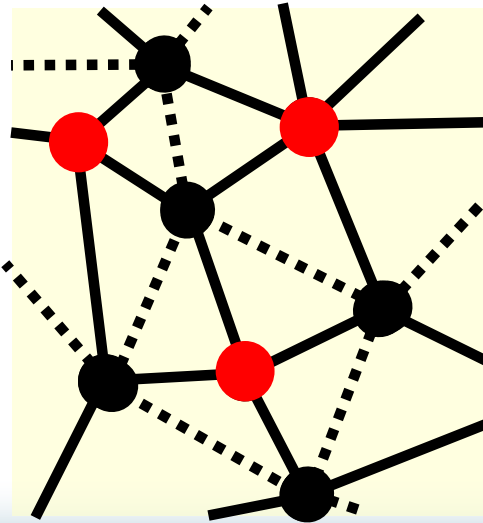
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Delete all edges in the even embedding \square

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\therefore (Youngs '96)

\forall quadrangulation of the projective plane is

either bipartite or non-3-colorable (3-chromatic is impossible)

If G : 3-colorable, then all sp. quad.s are 3-colorable, so bipartite \square

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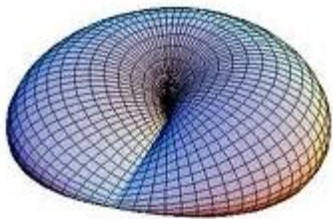
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The case of other surfaces

Main Thm. 3

G : **Eulerian** triangulation of non-spherical surface

If **edge-width** of G is large enough,

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a **sp. bip. quadrangulation** in G

- ✓ **Edge-width** : the length of **shortest essential** cycle
- ✓ Shown by using the following result;
 - (Hutchinson, Richter, and Seymour `02)
 - (Archdeacon, Hutchinson, Nakamoto, Negami, and Ota `99)
- ∇ **Eulerian** triangulation G with large **edge-width** is **4-colorable**, unless G is the **face subdivision** of an **even embedding**

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✓ General triangulation

Only little is known:

Plane



e.g. **complete** graph

“Dense” triangulations



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- ✓ \Leftarrow is an easy part, while we need some arguments
- ✓ \Rightarrow is the main part

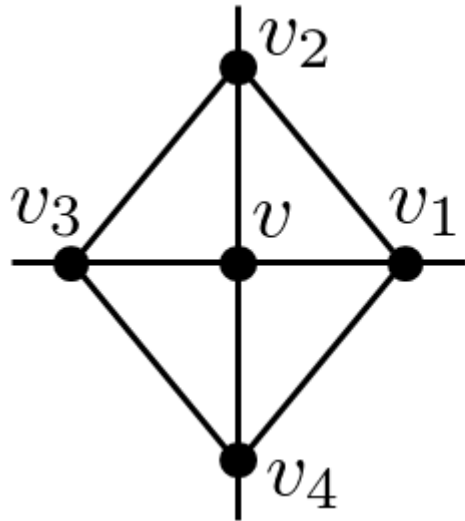
The toroidal case

- ✓ Use **generating thm.**, allowing **multiple edges**

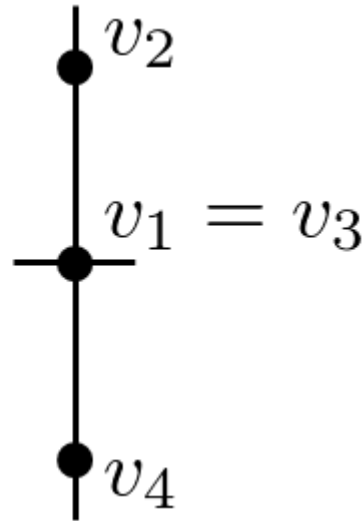
Thm. (Matsumoto, Nakamoto, and Yamaguchi, '18)

∇ **Eulerian multi**-triangulation of the **torus**
is generated from **27 base** graphs or **6-regular ones**
by a sequence of **4-splittings** and **2-vertex additions**

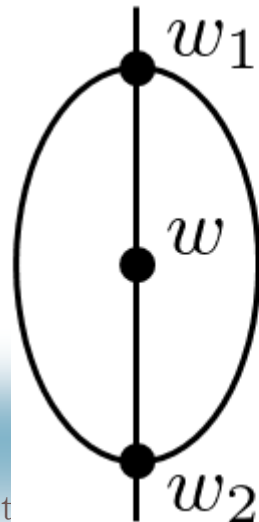
4-splittings and 2-vertex-addition



4-contraction



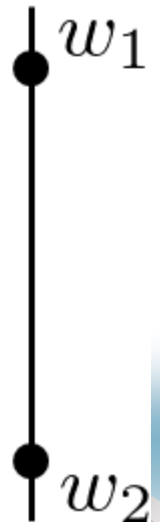
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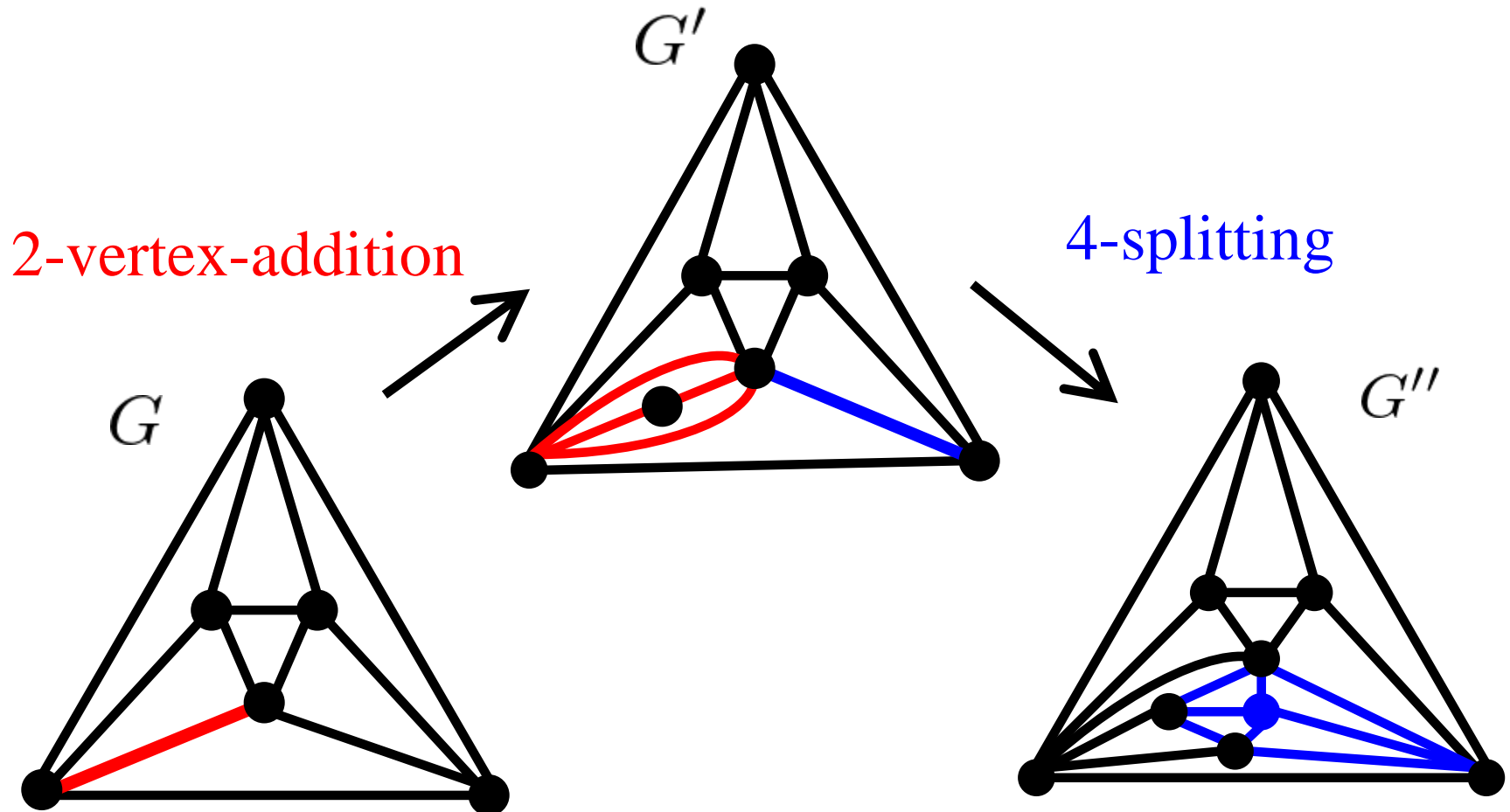
2-vertex removal



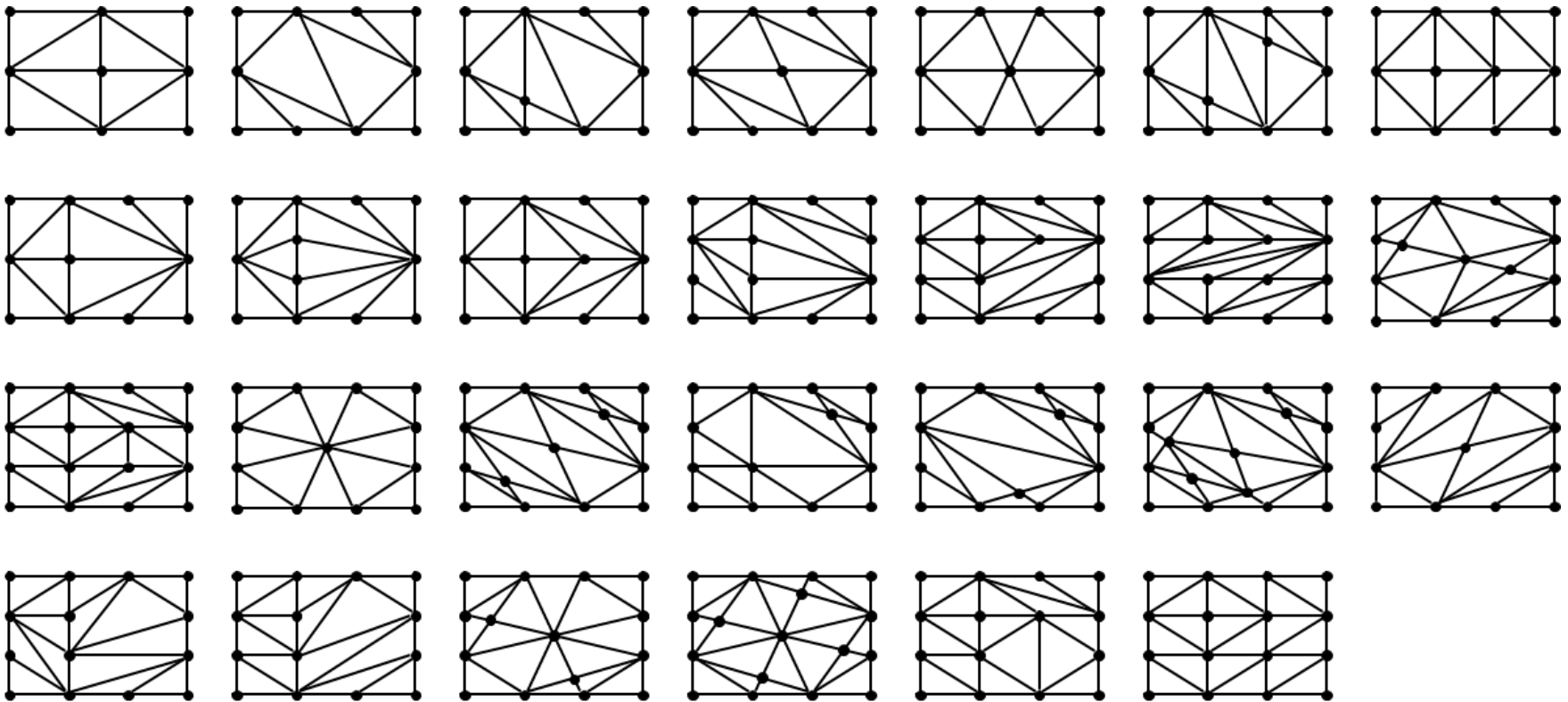
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27 base graphs



6-regular triangulations

Thm. (Altschuler, '73)

\forall 6-regular multi-triangulation of the torus

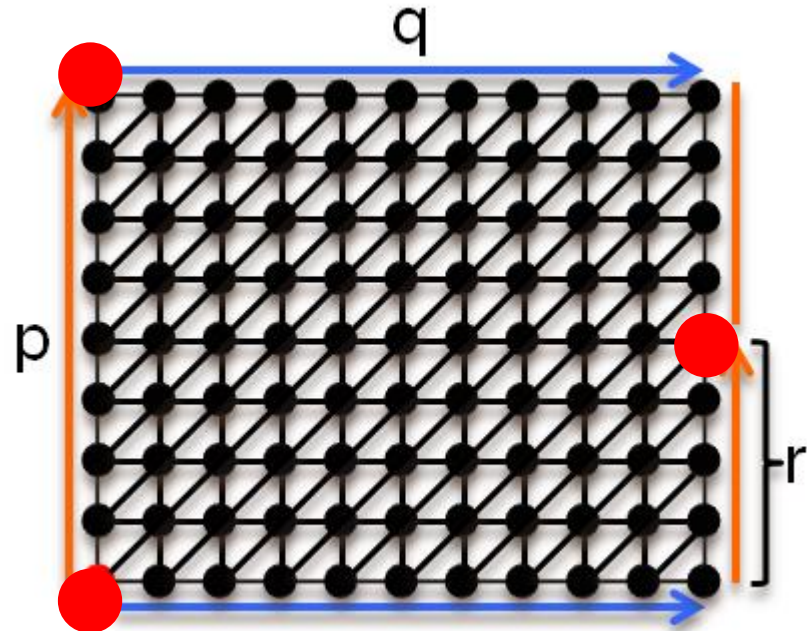
is represented as follows:

(Yeh and Zhu, '03)

Characterize by p , q , r ,

all non-4-colorable

triangulations on the torus



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- ✓ Show that for all the 27 base graphs and 6-regular ones.
- ✓ Suppose H' is obtained from a triangulation H by 4-splitting and 2-vertex addition. Then show that
 - If H has a sp. bip. quad., then so is H' .
 - If H has K_7 as a subgraph, then either so does H' or H' has a sp. bip. quad.

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For the existence of **sp. NON-bip.** quadrangulation

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✗	○	○ \Leftrightarrow Not 3-colorable	○ if edge-width large

Thank you for your attention

