

# Random Hasse diagrams & box-Delaunay graphs

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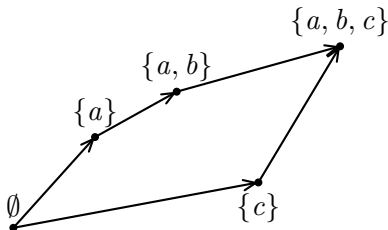
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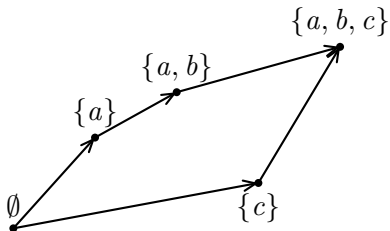


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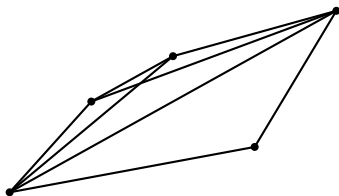
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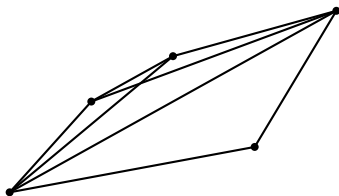
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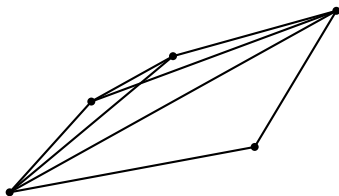
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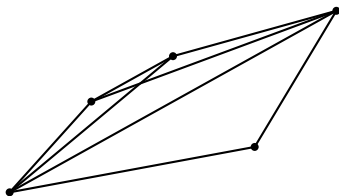
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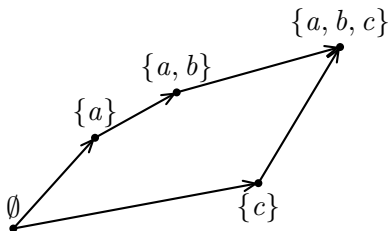
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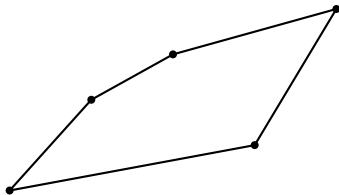
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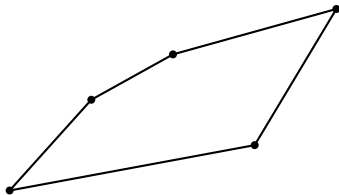
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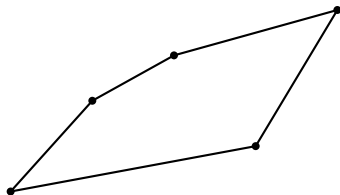
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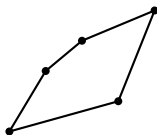
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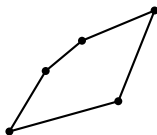


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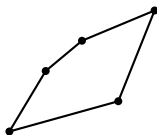
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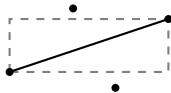
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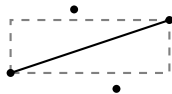
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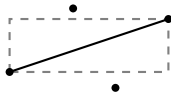


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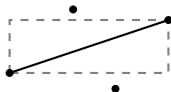


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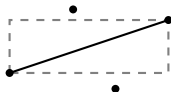


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- We showed the independence number satisfies  $\alpha(G) = \Omega(n \log \log n / (\log n)^{d-1})$  and  $\alpha(G) = O(n(\log \log n)^{2d-2} / (\log n)^{d-1})$ .
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# The End

*Questions? Comments?*