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Definition Let $G \in \mathbb{N}$ and $c \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $\text{COL}: [G] \times [G] \rightarrow [c]$.

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that are all the same color ($d \geq 1$). (This should be called an *mono isosceles right triangle* but we just call it a *mono L*.)

2. A **mono Square** is 4 points

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This is very typical of VDW-Ramsey Theory: a 2-coloring of BLAH is viewed as a X -coloring of a different object where X is quite large.

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