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ETH and NPC Probs on Graphs and Planar Graphs

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NPC Problems on Graphs

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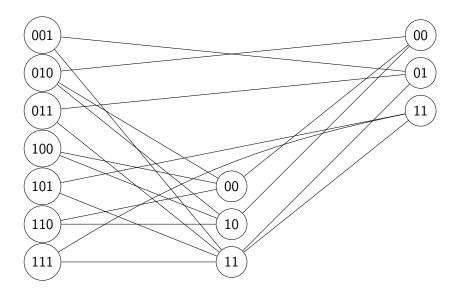
3) Example on next slide

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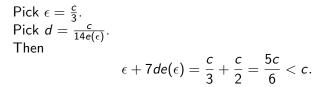
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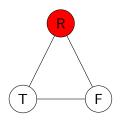
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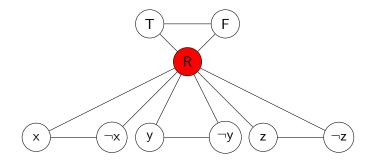
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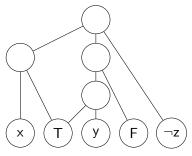
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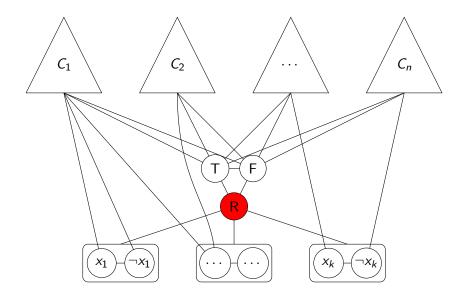
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Putting it All Together



ETH and 3COL

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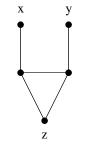
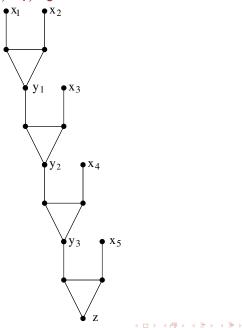


Figure: GAD(x, y, z)

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Will do this on next slide.

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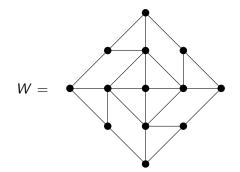
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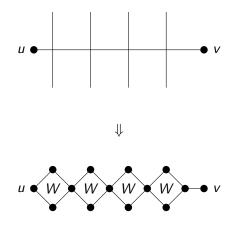
Gadget is on next slide and is all we need for the proof.

Crossover Gadget



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How to Use Crossover Gadget



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ETH and 3COL (Cont)

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Do We Really Want to Devise a New Crossover Gadgets For Every Problem?

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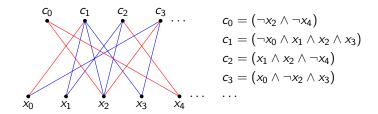


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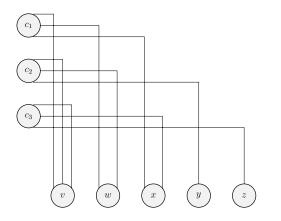
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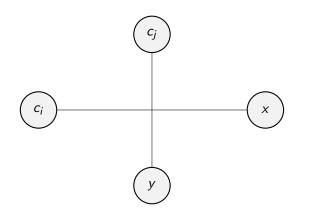
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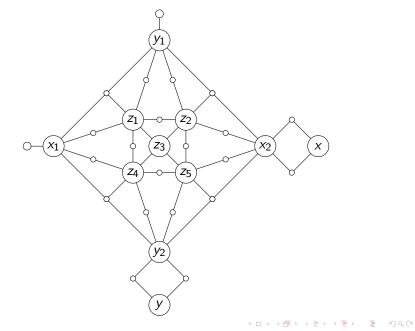


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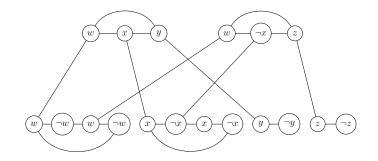
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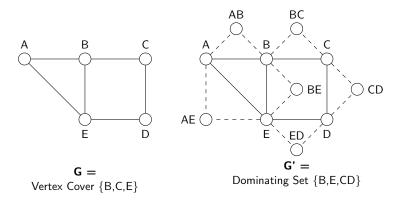


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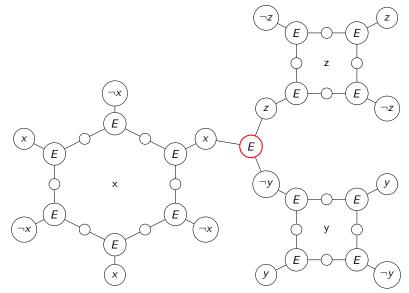


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