

# Homomorphisms to the Clone of Projections

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New parts on joint work with Michael Pinsker and András Pongracz.

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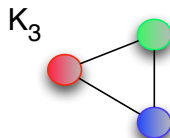
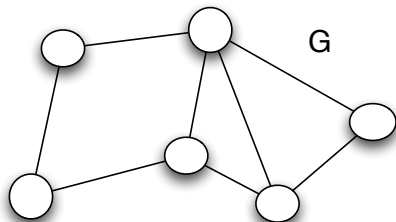
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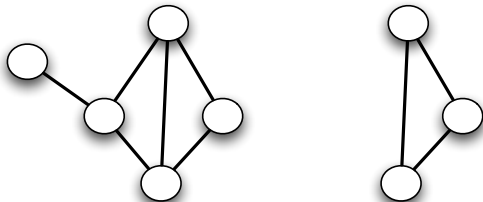


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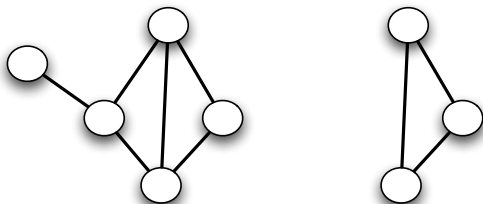


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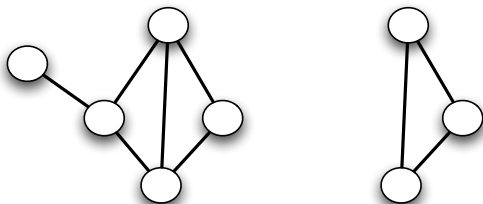


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- 3 Is there a homogeneous structure  $\Delta$  with a **finite** relational language such that  $\text{Pol}(\Delta)$  has a discontinuous homomorphism to  $\mathbf{P}$ ?
- 4 Is there a closed oligomorphic clone  $\mathcal{C}$  where the automorphisms are dense in  $\mathcal{C}^{(1)}$  where the automorphisms are dense in  $\mathcal{C}^{(1)}$  such that  $\mathcal{C}$  has a homomorphism to  $\mathbf{P}$  but no Taylor operation modulo unary operations?
- 5 Is there a closed oligomorphic clone  $\mathcal{C}$  where the automorphisms are dense in  $\mathcal{C}^{(1)}$  such that  $\mathcal{C}$  has a homomorphism to  $\mathbf{P}$  but no weak near unanimity operation modulo unary operations?