



**Improved upper bounds on  
the crossing number,  
the 2-page crossing number  
and the rectilinear crossing number  
of the hypercube**

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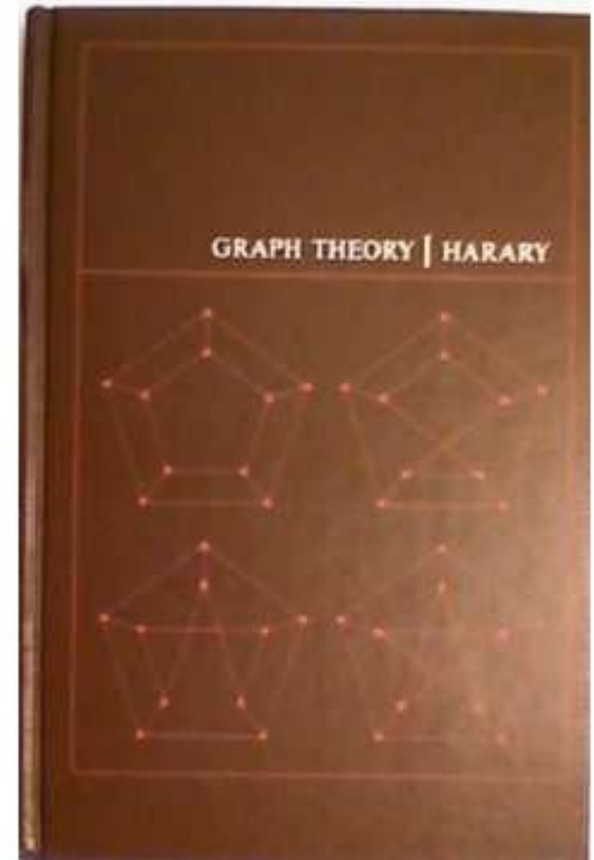


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# Crossing number challenge

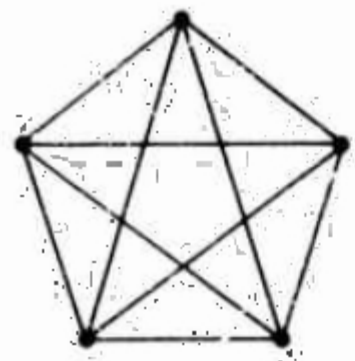


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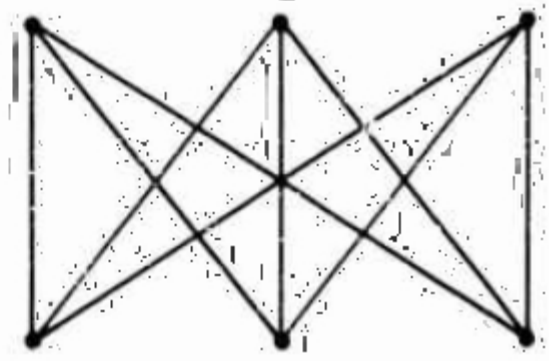


*To KASIMIR KURATOWSKI  
Who gave  $K_5$  and  $K_{3,3}$   
To those who thought planarity  
Was nothing but topology.*

$K_5$



$K_{3,3}$



**Table 11.1**  
CONJECTURED VALUES FOR  $\zeta(K_p)$

$p$	13	18	21	24	27	$9n + 7$
$\zeta(K_p)$	7	15	21	28	36	$(9n^2 + 13n + 2)/2$

**Theorem 11.28** The crossing number of the complete graph satisfies the inequality

$$v(K_p) \leq \frac{1}{4} \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{2} \right\rfloor \left\lfloor \frac{p-2}{2} \right\rfloor \left\lfloor \frac{p-3}{2} \right\rfloor. \quad (11.20)$$

**Theorem 11.29** The crossing number of the complete bigraph satisfies the inequality

$$v(K_{m,n}) \leq \left\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \right\rfloor \left\lfloor \frac{m-1}{2} \right\rfloor \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor. \quad (11.21)$$

T. Saaty showed that (11.20) is an equation for  $p \leq 10$  while D. Kleitman proved equality in (11.21) for  $m \leq 6$ . These are the only known values of  $v(K_p)$  and  $v(K_{m,n})$ . For the **cubes**, no one has even conjectured what is  $v$ .

## EXERCISES

11.1 If a  $(p_1, q_1)$  graph and a  $(p_2, q_2)$  graph are homeomorphic, then

$$p_1 + q_1 = p_2 + q_2.$$





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# Master Dissertation: Crossing number of Product of graphs

- Marian Klesc
- Bruce Richter
- Ondrej Sýkora
- Imrich V'rtó

# Definitions

- The **crossing number**  $\nu(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum number of crossings in a drawing of  $G$  in the plane.
- The **rectilinear crossing number**  $\overline{cr}(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum number of crossings in a drawing of  $G$  in the plane with straight line segments.
- The **2-page crossing number**  $\nu_2(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum number of crossings in a drawing of  $G$  into 2 semiplanes where the vertices of  $G$  belong to a straight line bounding the semiplanes.

Relationship between  $\nu(G)$   
 $\overline{cr}(G)$  and  $\nu_2(G)$ .

$$\nu(G) \leq \overline{cr}(G)$$

$$\nu(G) \leq \nu_2(G) \leq \nu_1(G)$$

$$\nu_2(K_n) \leq \overline{cr}(K_n)$$

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# $n$ -cube

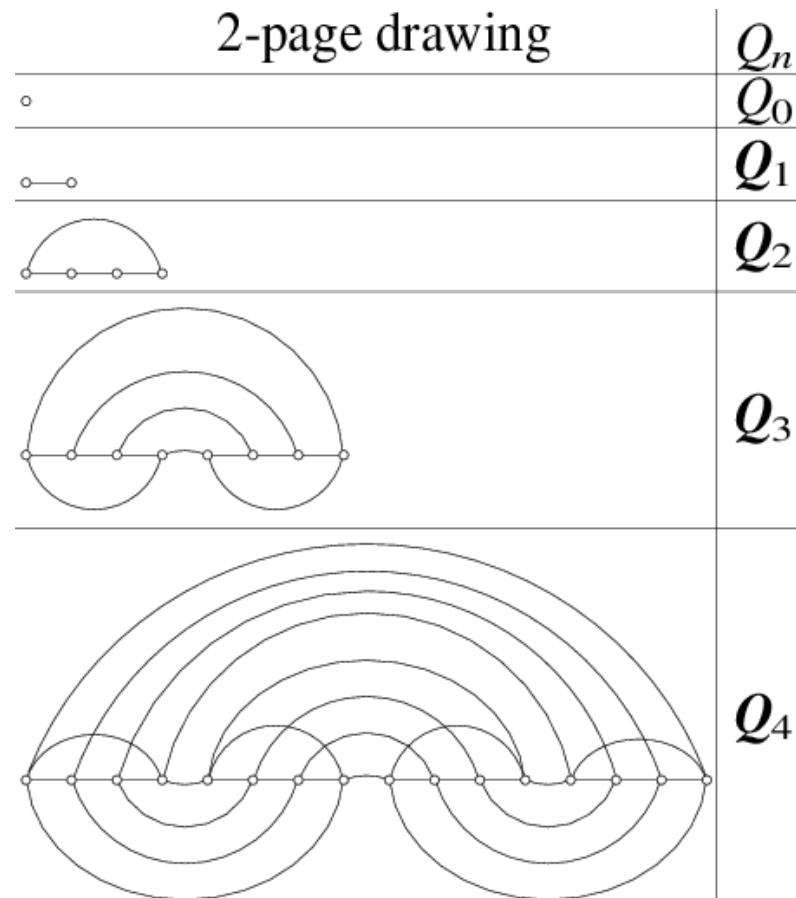
$n$ -cube  $Q_n$

$$|V(Q_n)| = 2^n$$

$uv \in E(Q_n)$

iff

$$\text{diff}(u,v)=1.$$



$$\nu_2(Q_n) \leq \frac{125}{750} 4^n - 2^{n-3} n^2 - 2^{n-4} 3 + \frac{(-2)^n}{48} \quad \text{Madej, 1991}$$

# Exact Results

$$n \leq 3$$

$$\nu(Q_n) = \nu_2(Q_n) = \overline{cr}(Q_n) = 0$$

$$n=4, \quad \text{A. Dean \& B. Richter'95}$$

$$\nu(Q_n) = \nu_2(Q_n) = \overline{cr}(Q_n) = 8$$

Computers in Number Theory Conference held in Oxford 1969



# Richard Guy, Paul Erdős & R. B. Eggleton's Conjecture

$$\text{cr}(Q_n) \leq \frac{5}{32} 4^n - \left\lfloor \frac{n^2 + 1}{2} \right\rfloor 2^{n-2}$$



# Ondrej Sýkora and Imrich Vrt' o - 2002



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# Imrich Vrt' o - 2012



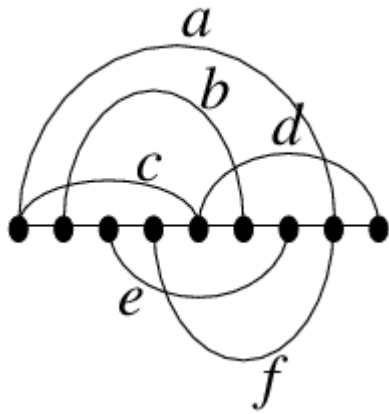
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# From computational results to a drawing

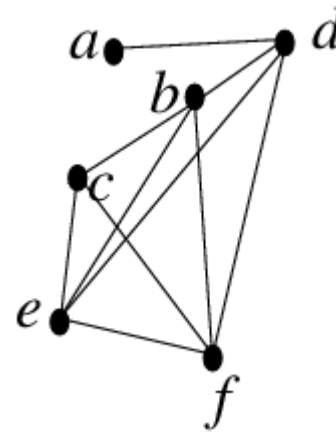
- C. Buchheim and L. Zheng‘2006

# From a computational result to a 2-page drawing

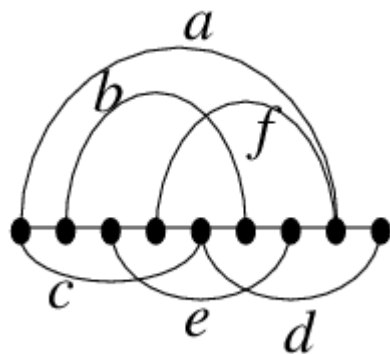
Sequence  
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Crossing  
graph

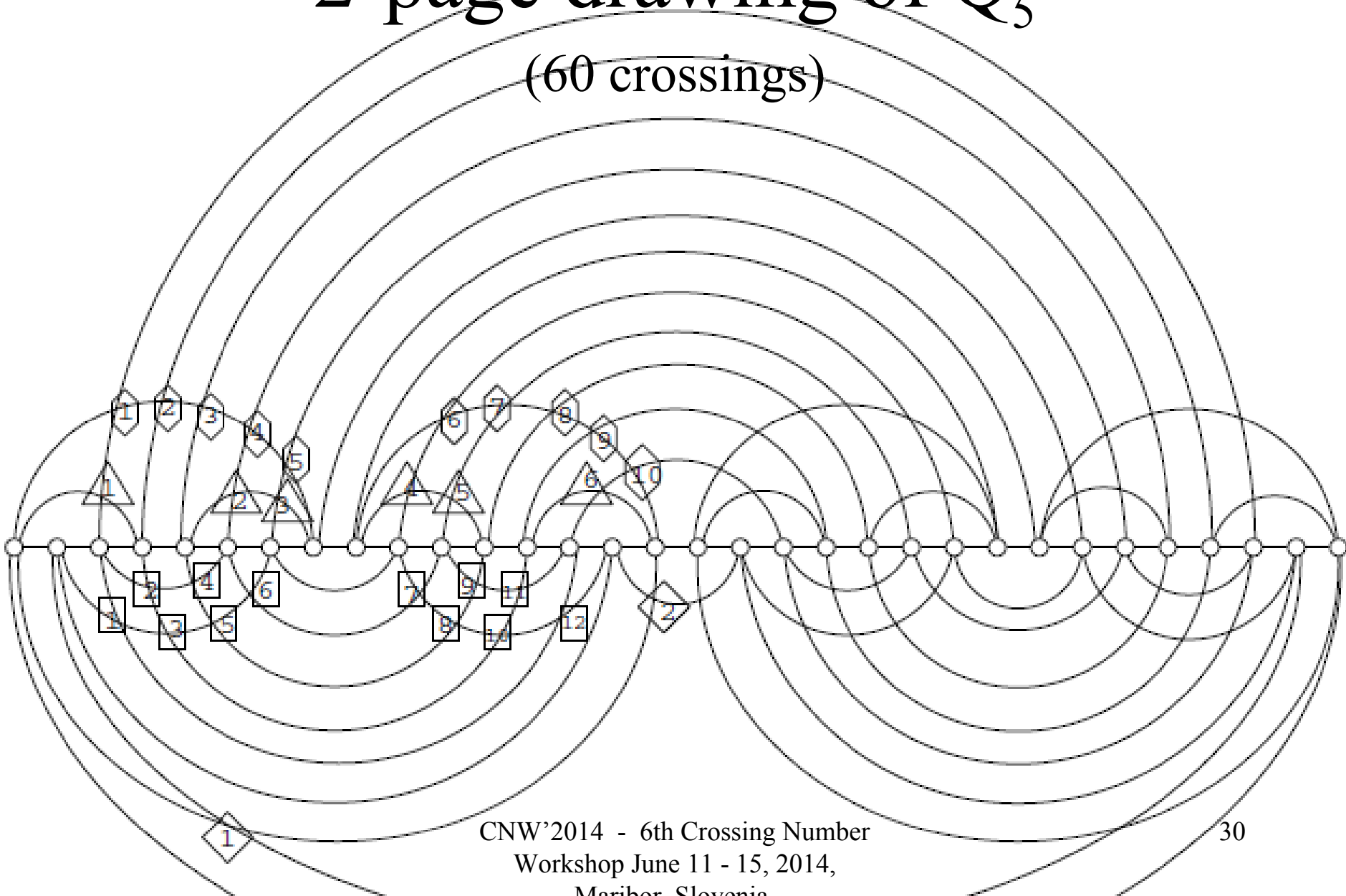


maxcut



# 2-page drawing of $Q_5$

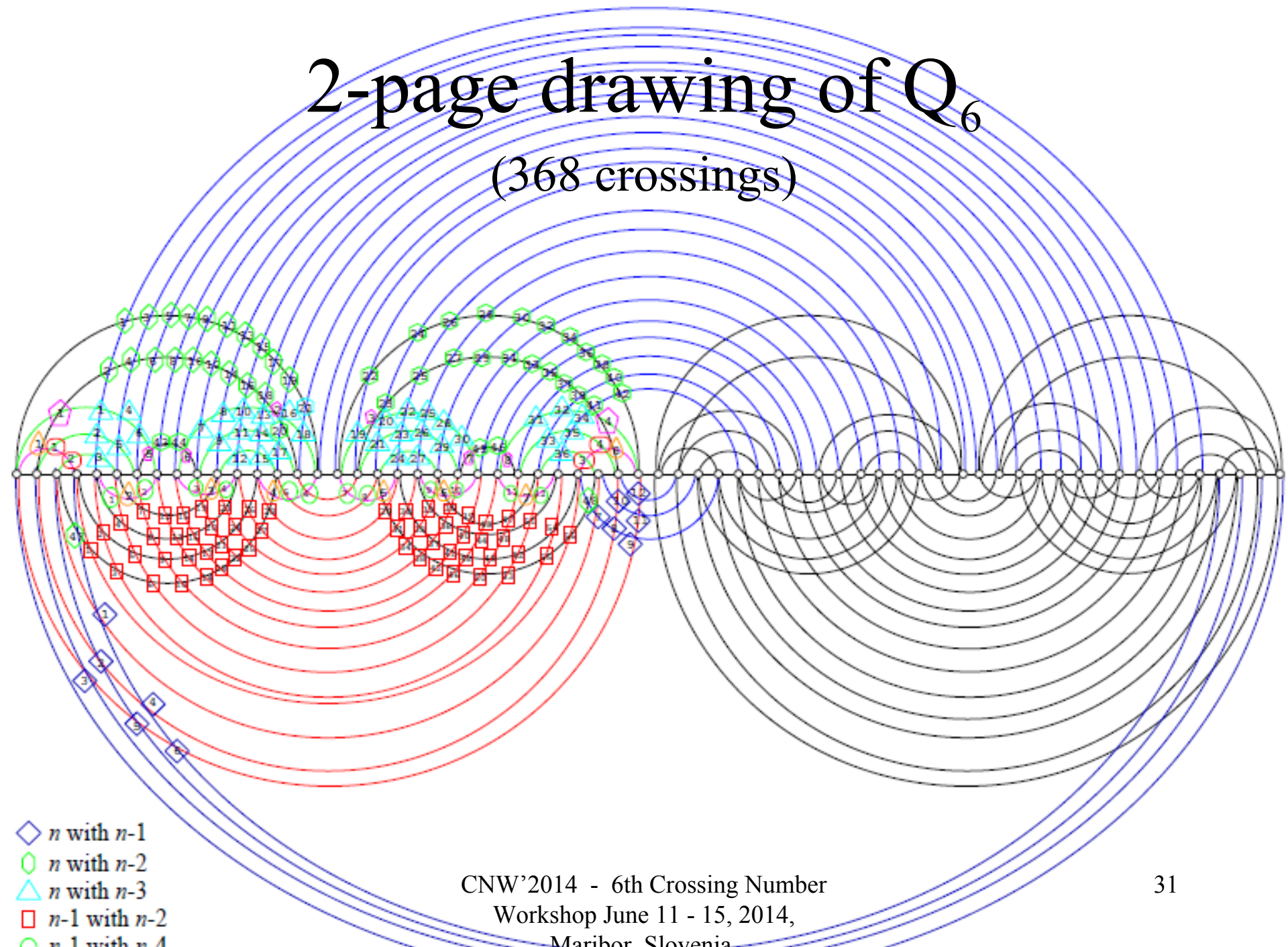
(60 crossings)





# 2-page drawing of $Q_6$

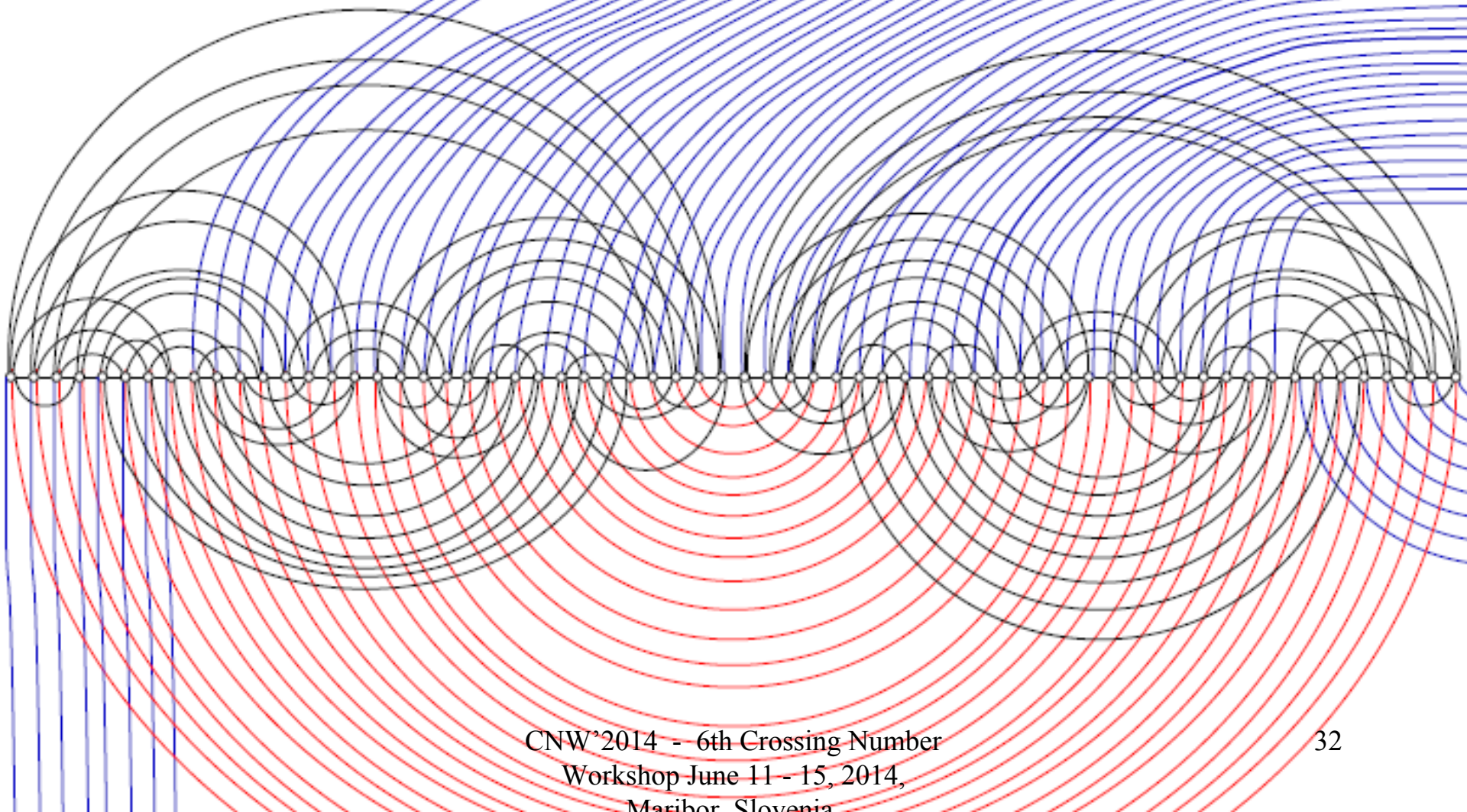
(368 crossings)



- ◇  $n$  with  $n-1$
- ◇  $n$  with  $n-2$
- △  $n$  with  $n-3$
- $n-1$  with  $n-2$
- ◇  $n-1$  with  $n-4$

# 2-page drawing of $Q_7$

(1856 crossings, previous 1894 – **B.&Z.**)



# Upper bound: $\nu_2(Q_n)$ and $\overline{cr}(Q_n)$

$$\nu_2(Q_n) \leq \frac{125}{750} 4^n - 2^{n-3} n^2 - 2^{n-4} 3 + \frac{(-2)^n}{48} \quad \text{Madej, 1991}$$

$$\overline{cr}(Q_n) \leq \frac{125}{768} 4^n - \frac{2^{n-3}}{3} \left( 3n^2 + \frac{9 + (-1)^{n+1}}{2} \right)$$

$$\nu_2(Q_n)$$

$$\nu(Q_n) \leq \frac{125}{800} 4^n - \lfloor \frac{n^2+1}{2} \rfloor 2^{n-2} \quad \text{Faria, Figueiredo, Sýkora & Vrt' o WG'2003.}$$



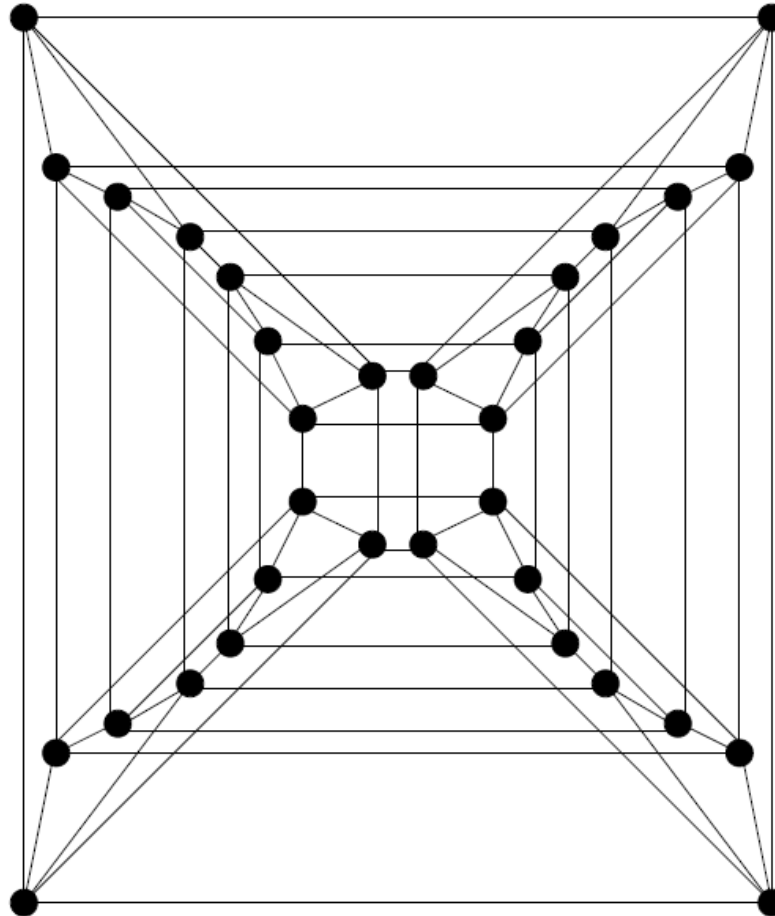
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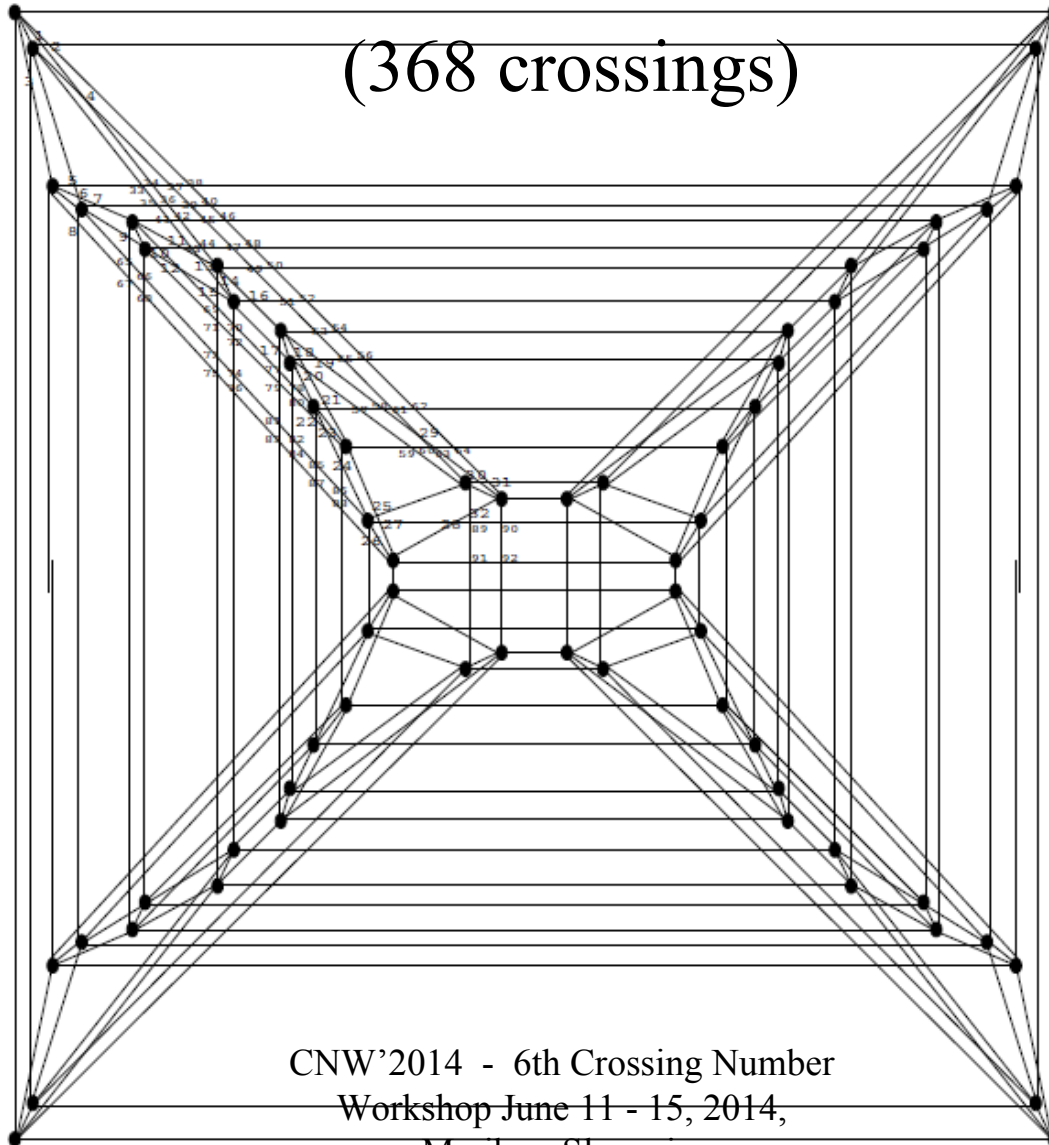
# rectilinear drawing of $Q_5$

(60 crossings)



# Rectilinear drawing of $Q_6$

(368 crossings)



$$\frac{125}{768}4^n - \frac{2^{n-3}}{3} \left( 3n^2 + \frac{9 + (-1)^{n+1}}{2} \right)$$

$Q_n$	Crossing number current best upper bound	This paper	Madej
$n$	$\frac{4^n 5}{32} - \lfloor \frac{n^2+1}{2} \rfloor 2^{n-2}$	$\frac{4^n 125}{768} - \frac{2^{n-3}}{3} \left( 3n^2 + \frac{9+(-1)^{n+1}}{2} \right)$	$\frac{4^n}{6} - 2^{n-3}n^2 - 2^{n-4}3 + \frac{(-2)^n}{48}$
5	56	60	64
6	352	368	384
7	1760	1856	1920
8	8192	8576	8832
9	35712	37376	38400
10	151040	157696	161792
11	624128	651264	667648
12	2547712	2656256	2721792
13	10311680	10747904	11010048
14	41541632	43286528	44335104
15	166846464	173834240	178028544

# One More Open Problem

$$\nu_2(K_n) \leq \overline{cr}(K_n)$$

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$$\nu_2(Q_n) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \overline{cr}(Q_n)$$



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Béla Bollobás (Cambridge University, UK)

Gérard Cornuéjols (Carnegie Mellon, USA)

Frédéric Havet (INRIA Sophia-Antipolis, France)

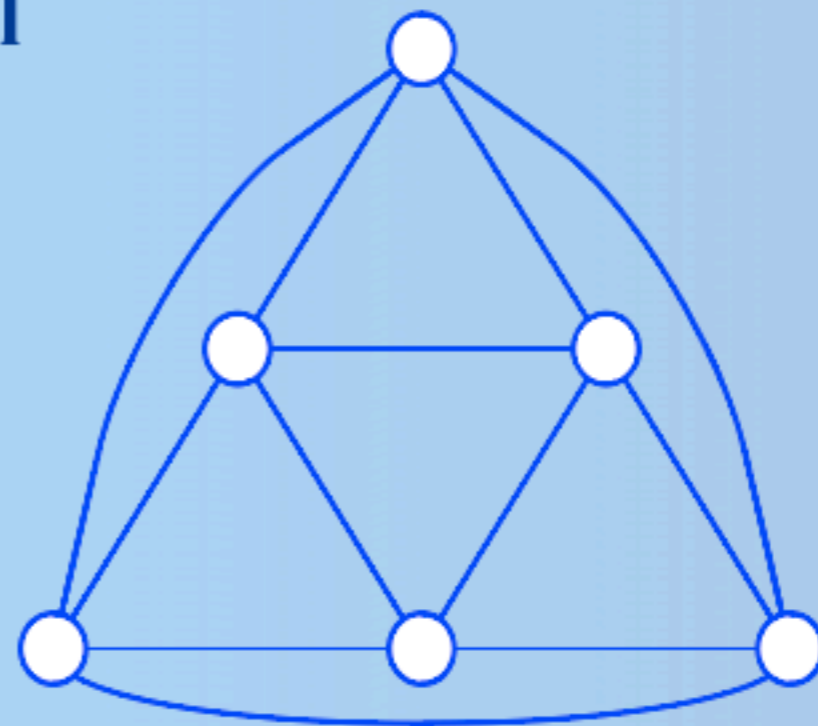
Sulamita Klein (UFRJ, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)

Frédéric Maffray (G-SCOP Grenoble, France)

Miguel Pizaña (UAM, Mexico)

Bruce Reed (McGill University, Canada)

Ola Svensson (EPFL, Switzerland)



## Important Dates

November, 25, 2014 - submission deadline

February, 03, 2015 - notification of acceptance

February, 06, 2015 - registration opens