

# Generation of Monotone Graph Structures

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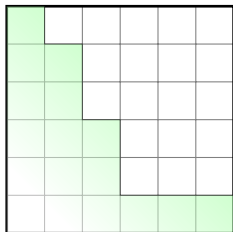
# In Memory of Leo Khachiyan (1952-2005)



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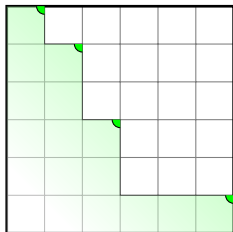


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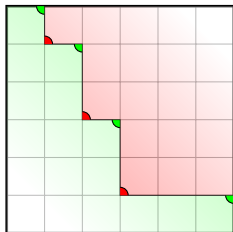
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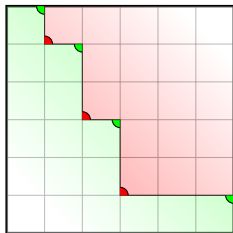
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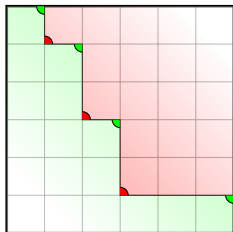
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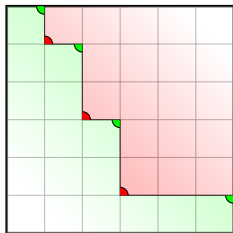
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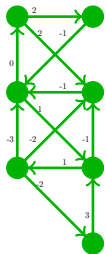
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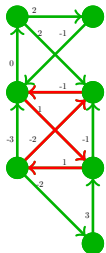
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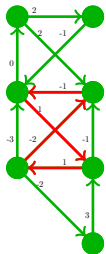
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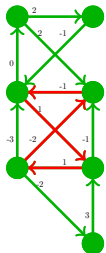
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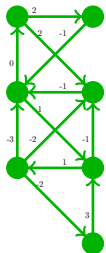
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