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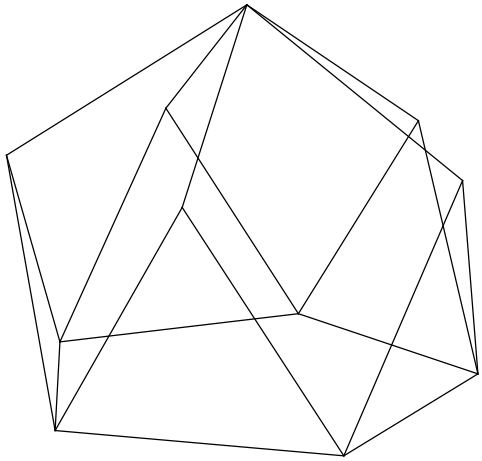
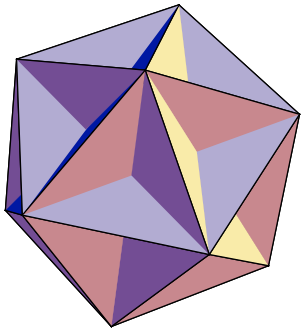
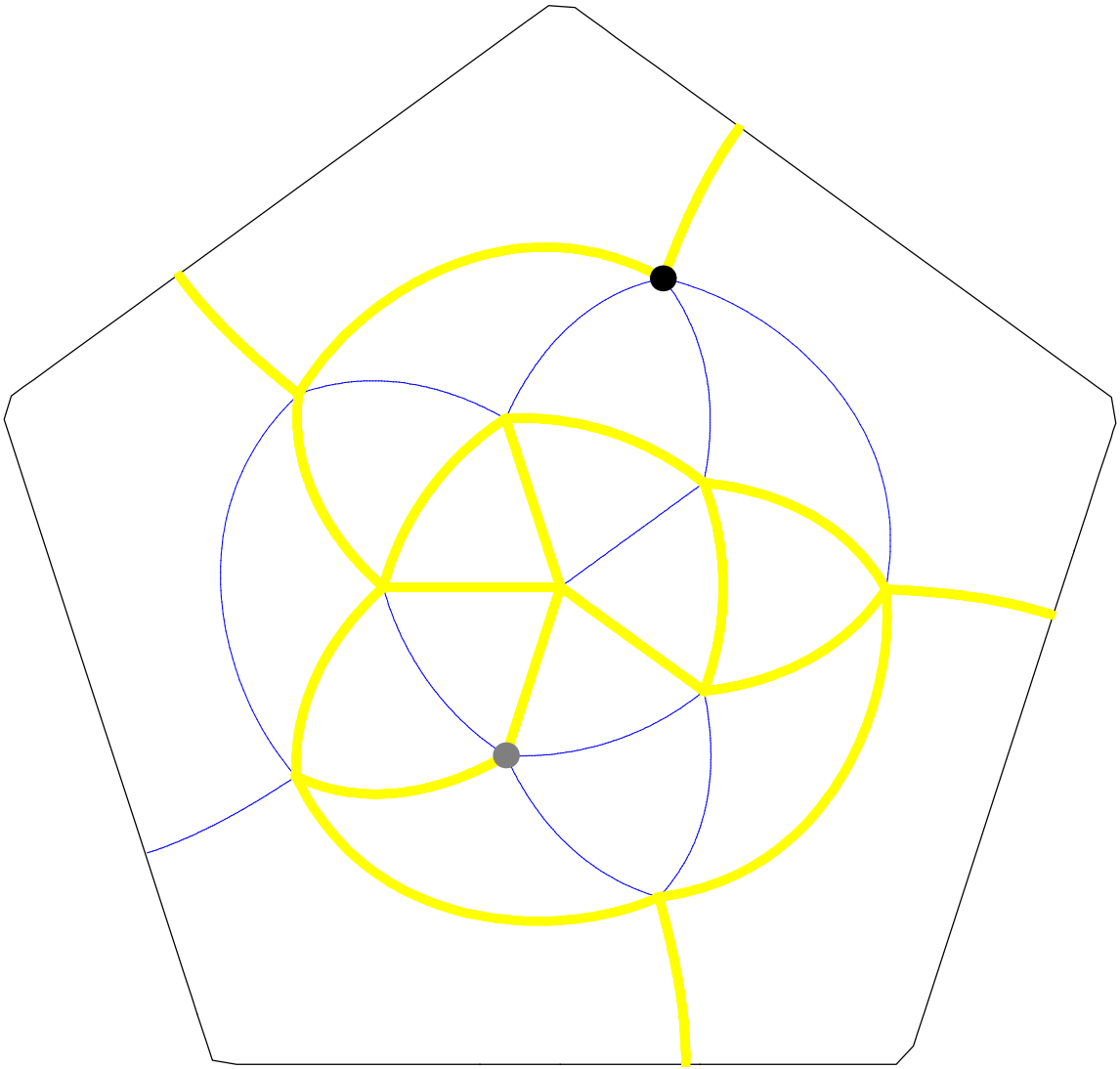
Mazes on Uniform Polyhedra



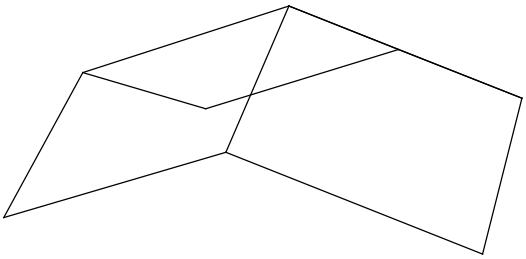


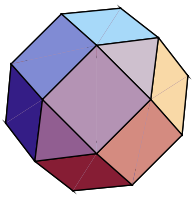


Introduction

Let as take an example. We are given a uniform polyhedron.

`rhombicuboctahedron` {4, 3, 4, 4}





In Mathematica the polyhedron is given by a list of faces and with a list of koordinates of vertices [Roman E. Maeder, The Mathematica Programmer II, Academic Press1996]. The list of faces consists of a list of lists, where a face is represented by a list of vertices, which is given by a matrix. Let us show the first five faces:

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{{1, 2, 6, 3},
 {1, 3, 4},
 {1, 4, 10, 5},
 {1, 5, 8, 2},
 {2, 8, 14, 7}}
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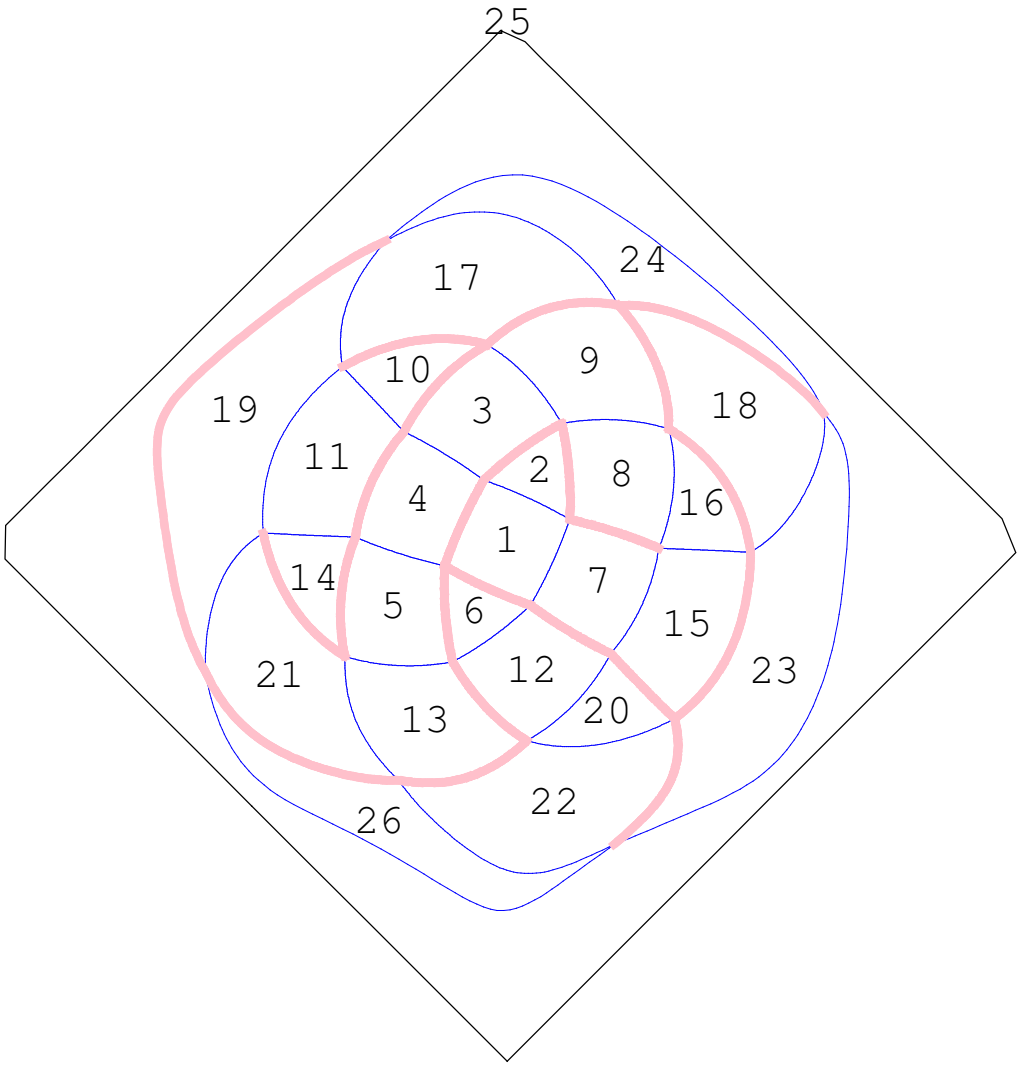
The nest two figures represent faces and vertices. The polyhedron is projected onto supescribed sphere and the sphere is projected by a cartographic projection.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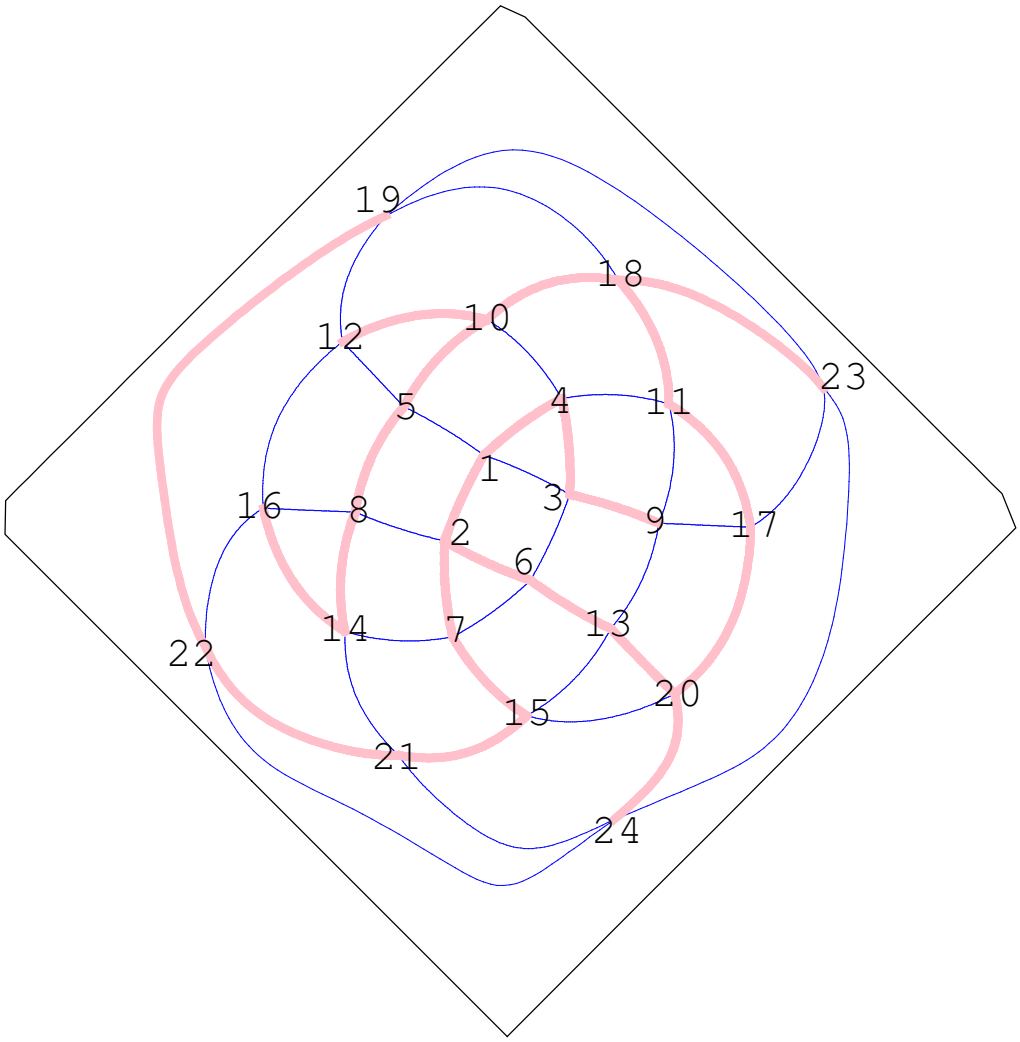
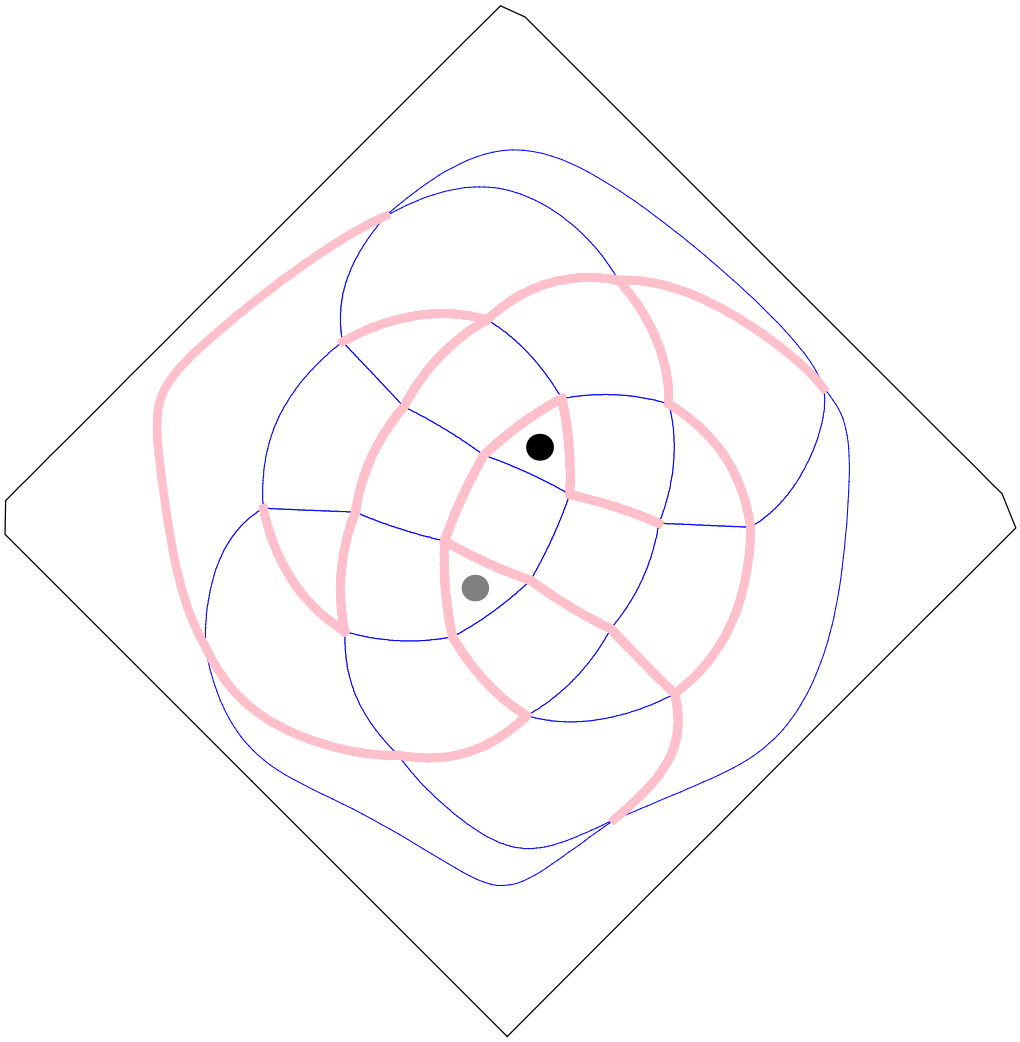
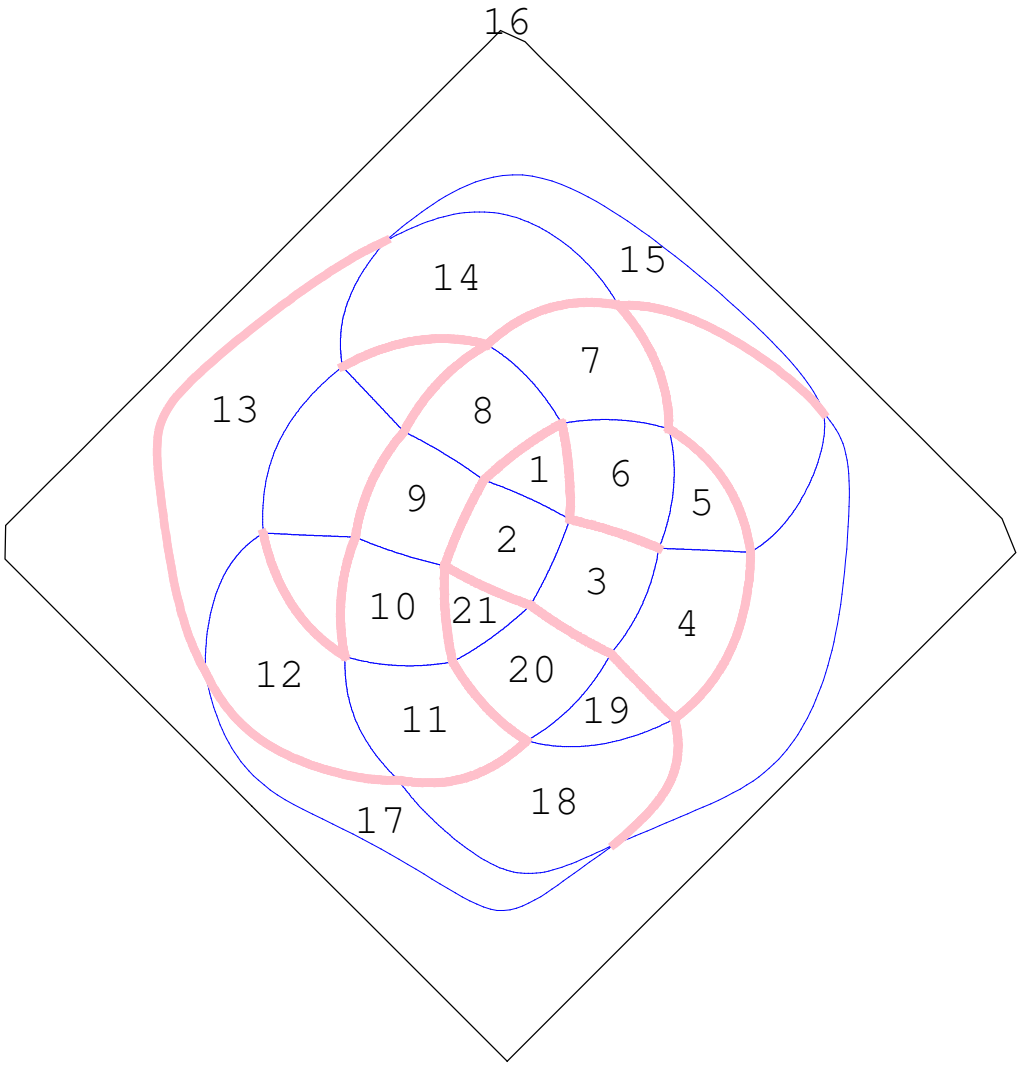


The problem is to find the path from the black dot to gray dot, where thick lines represent walls of a maze.



The solution is given by a list of faces passed from the black to gray dot.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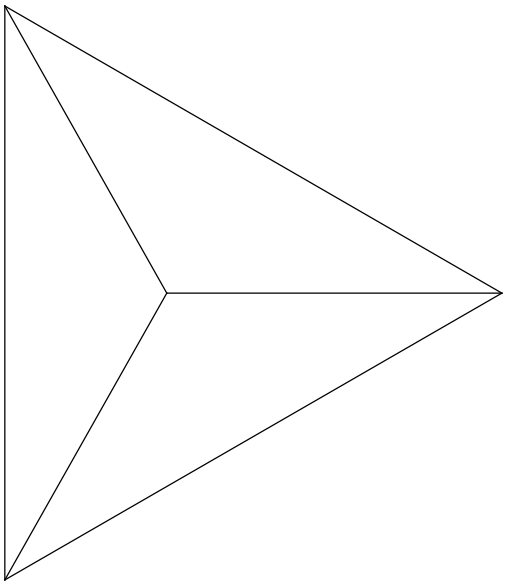
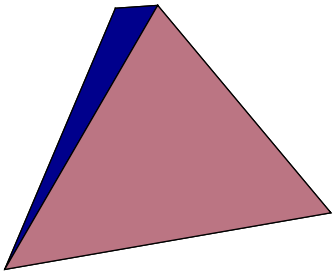
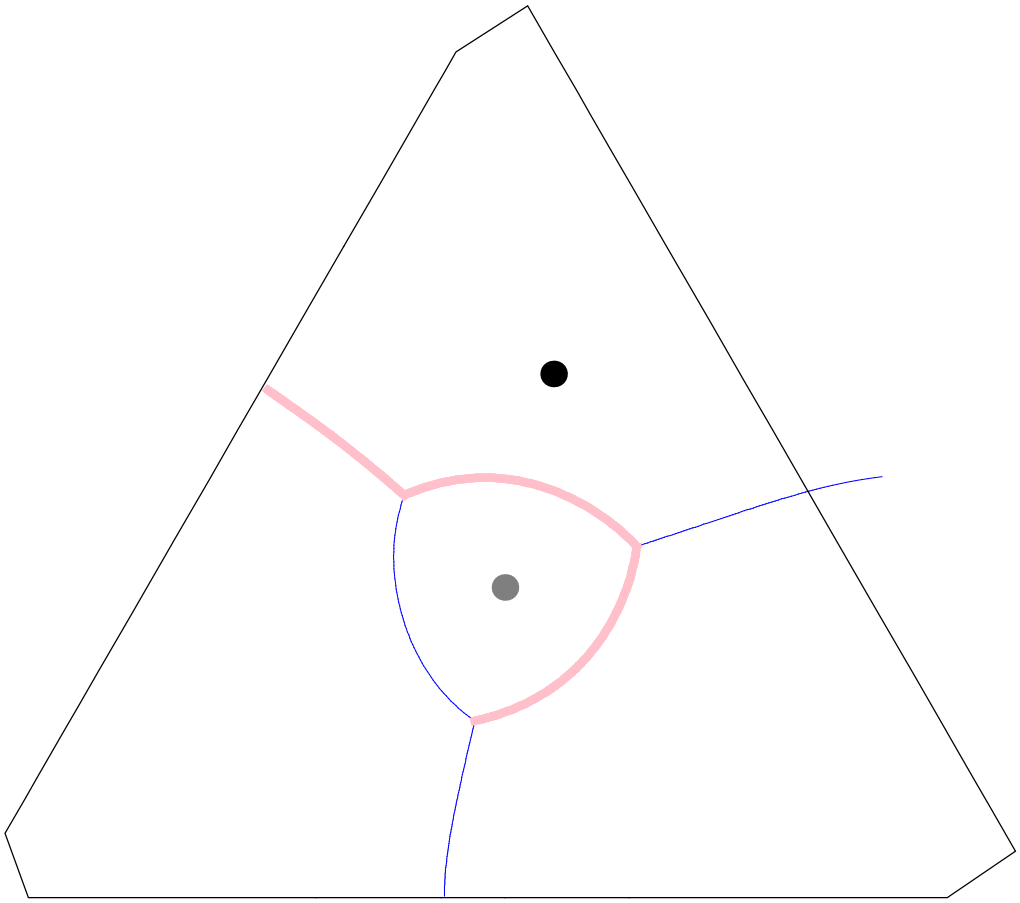
Problems

3.

`tetrahedron` {3, 3, 3}







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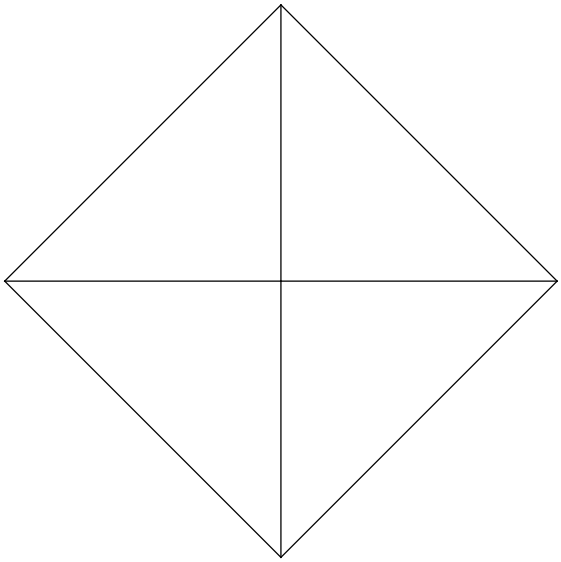

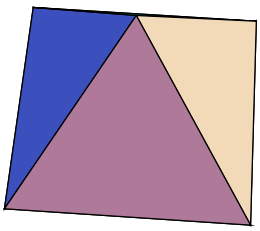

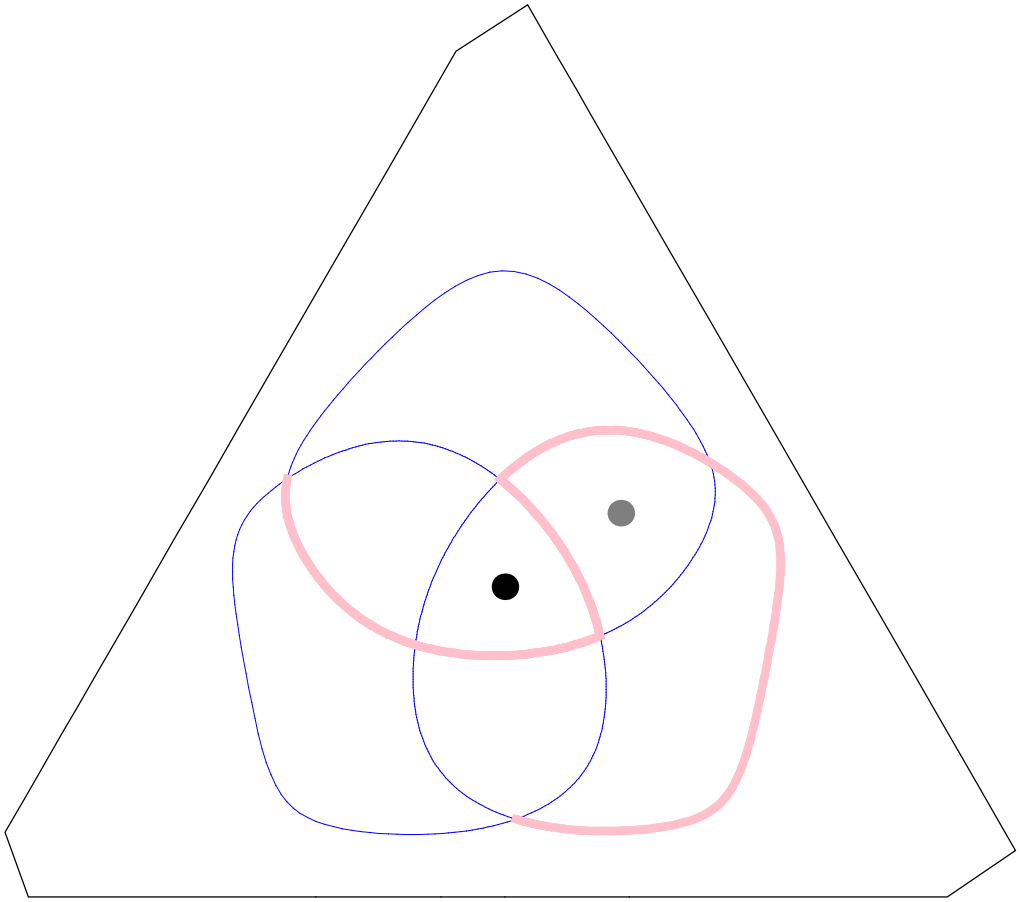

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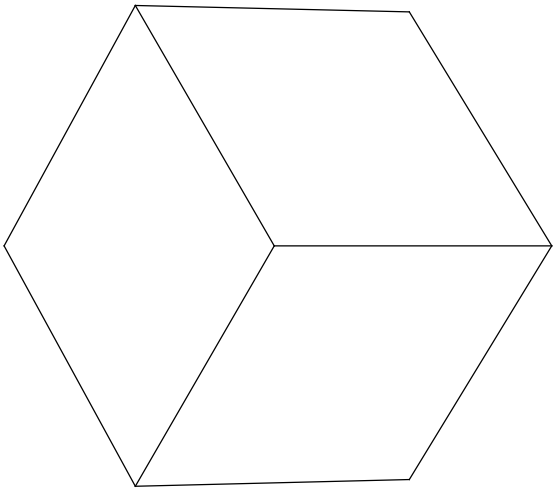

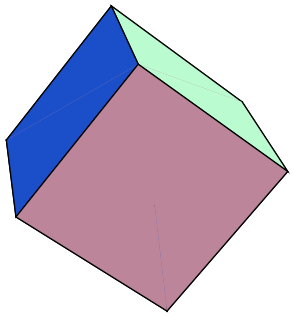

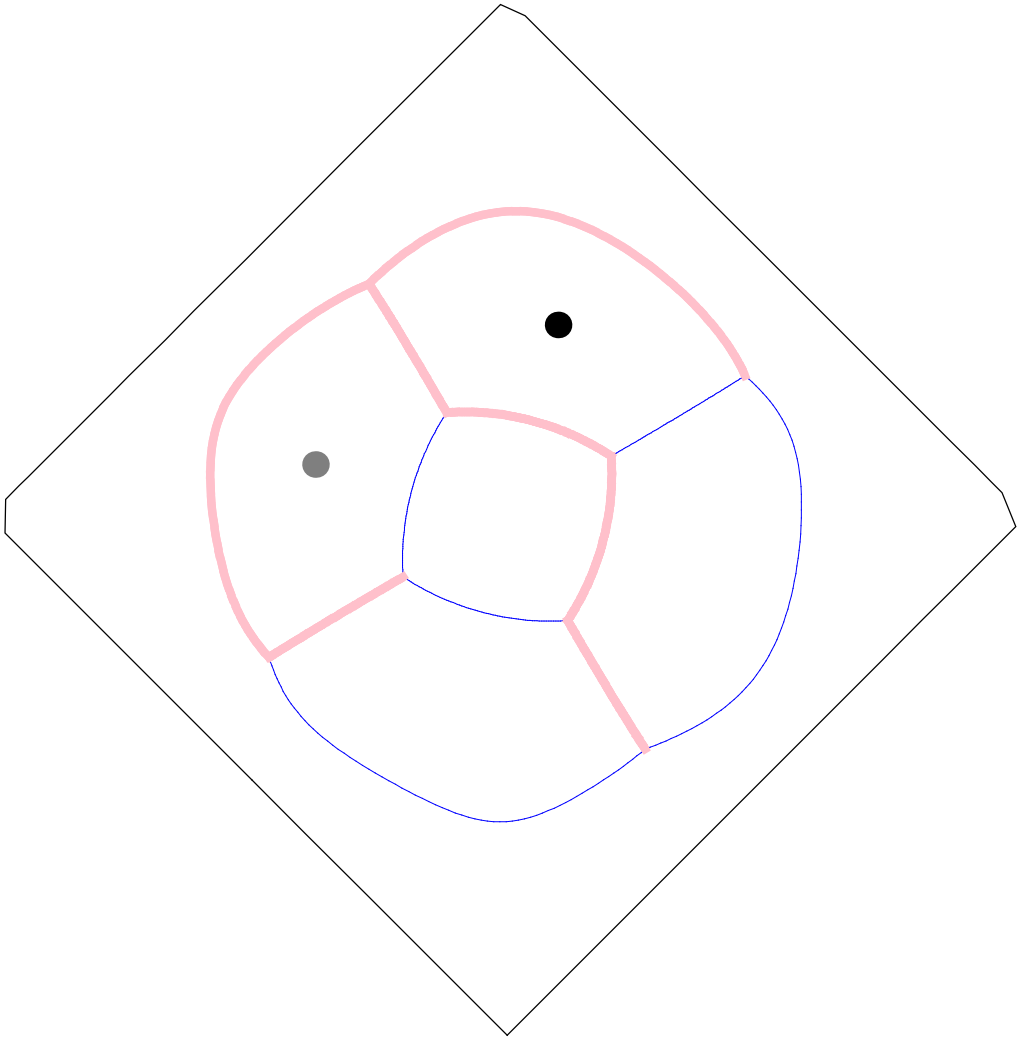

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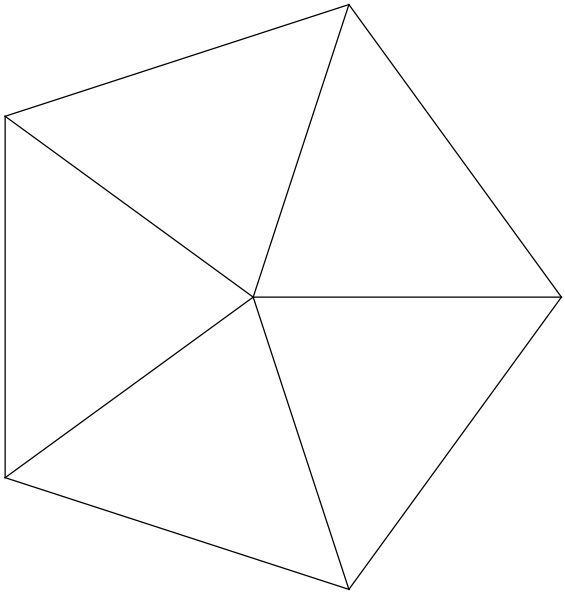
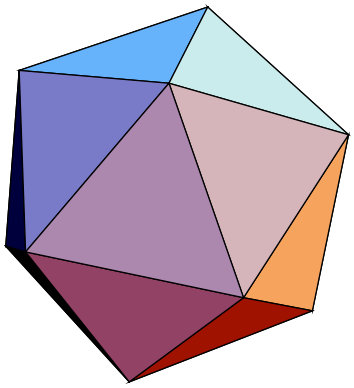
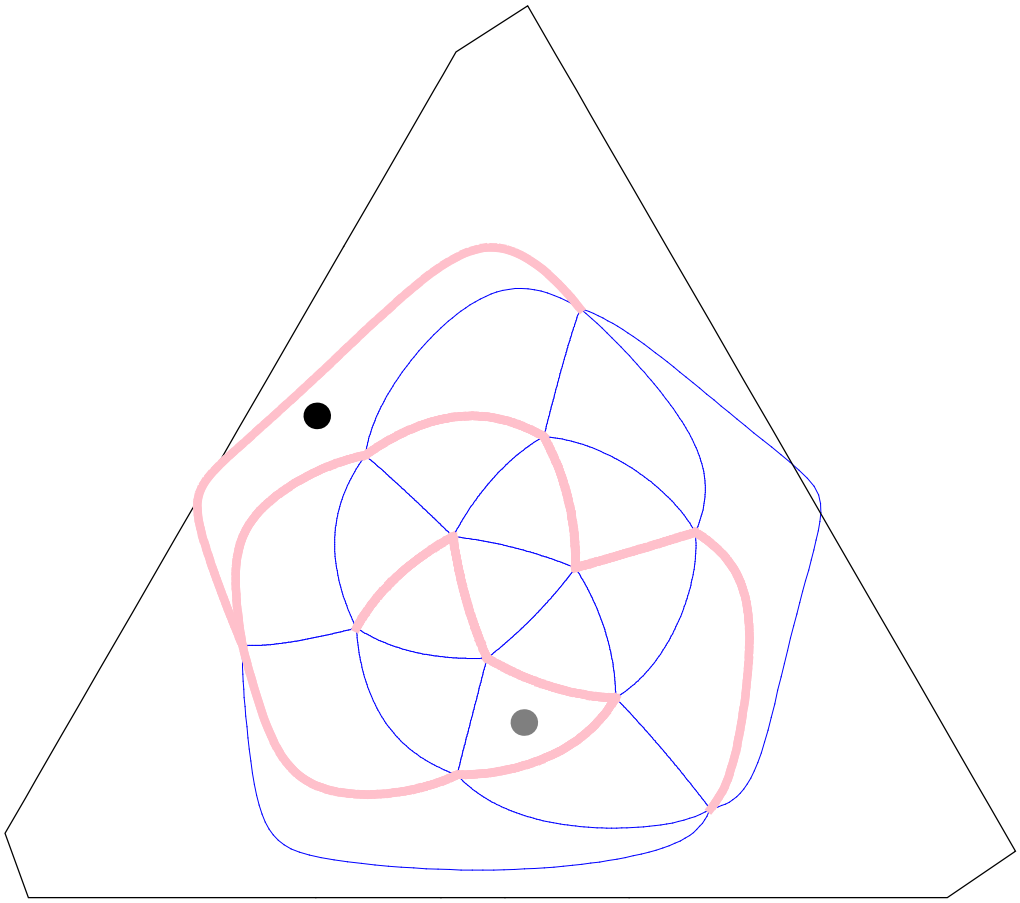
`icosahedron` {3, 3, 3, 3, 3}







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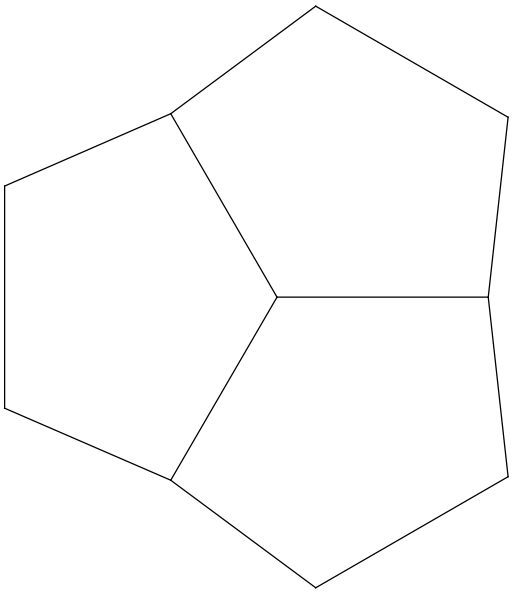

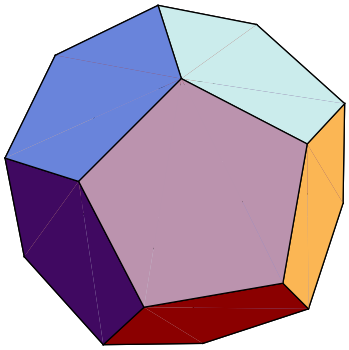

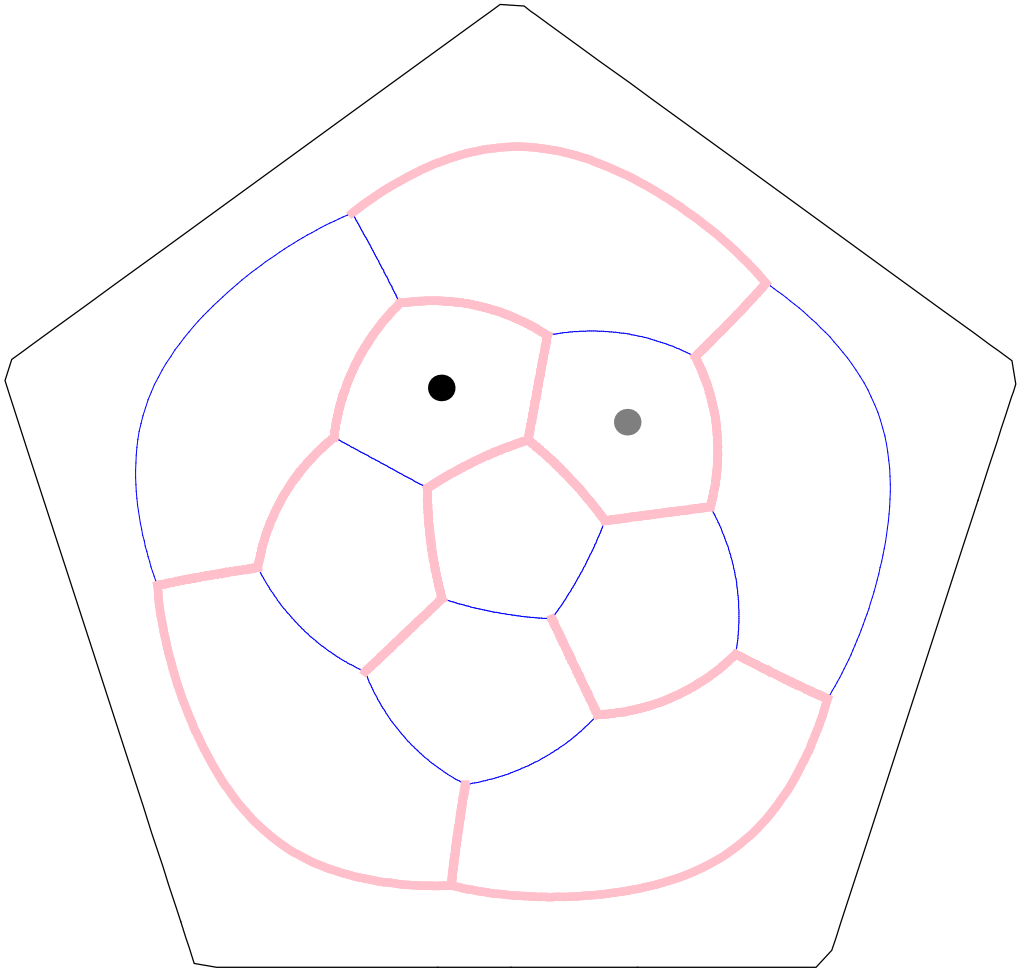

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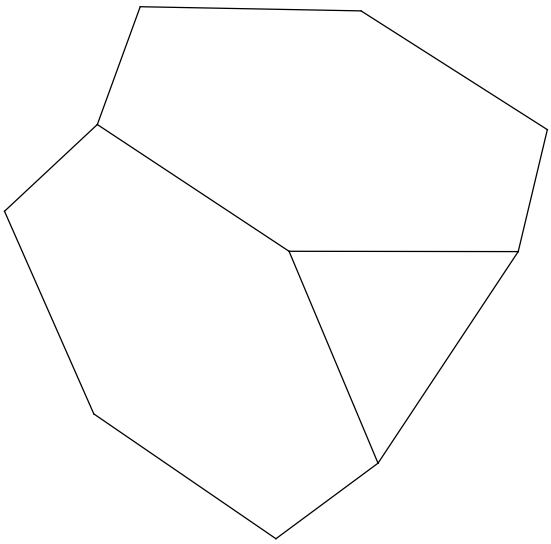
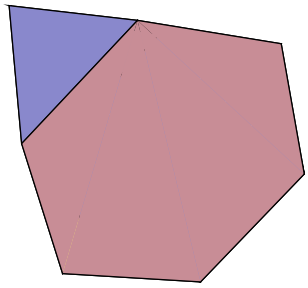
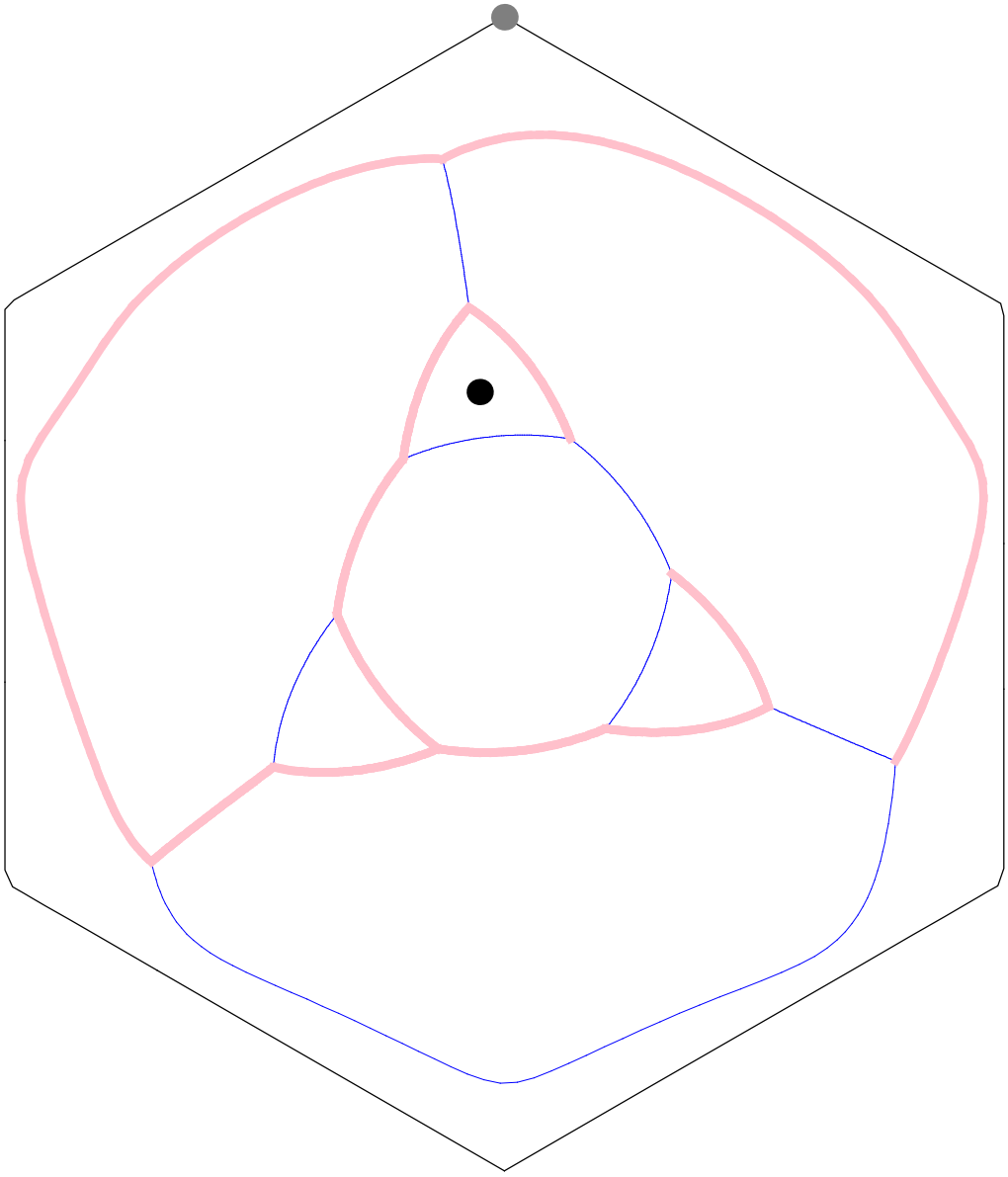
`truncated tetrahedron` {6, 6, 3}







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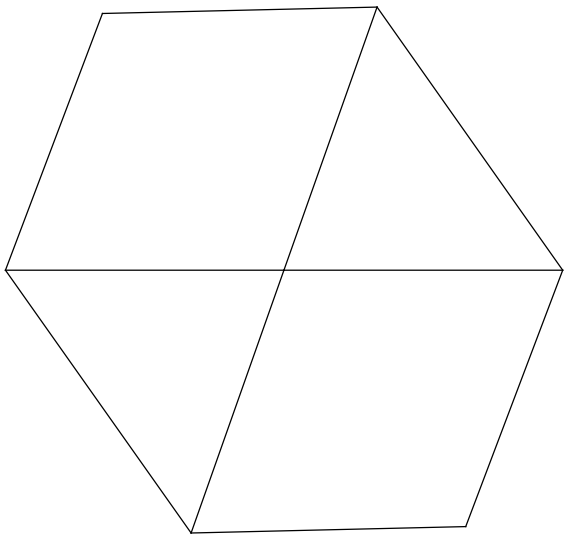

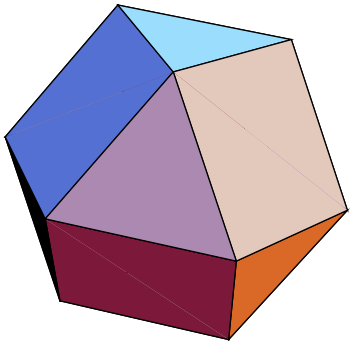

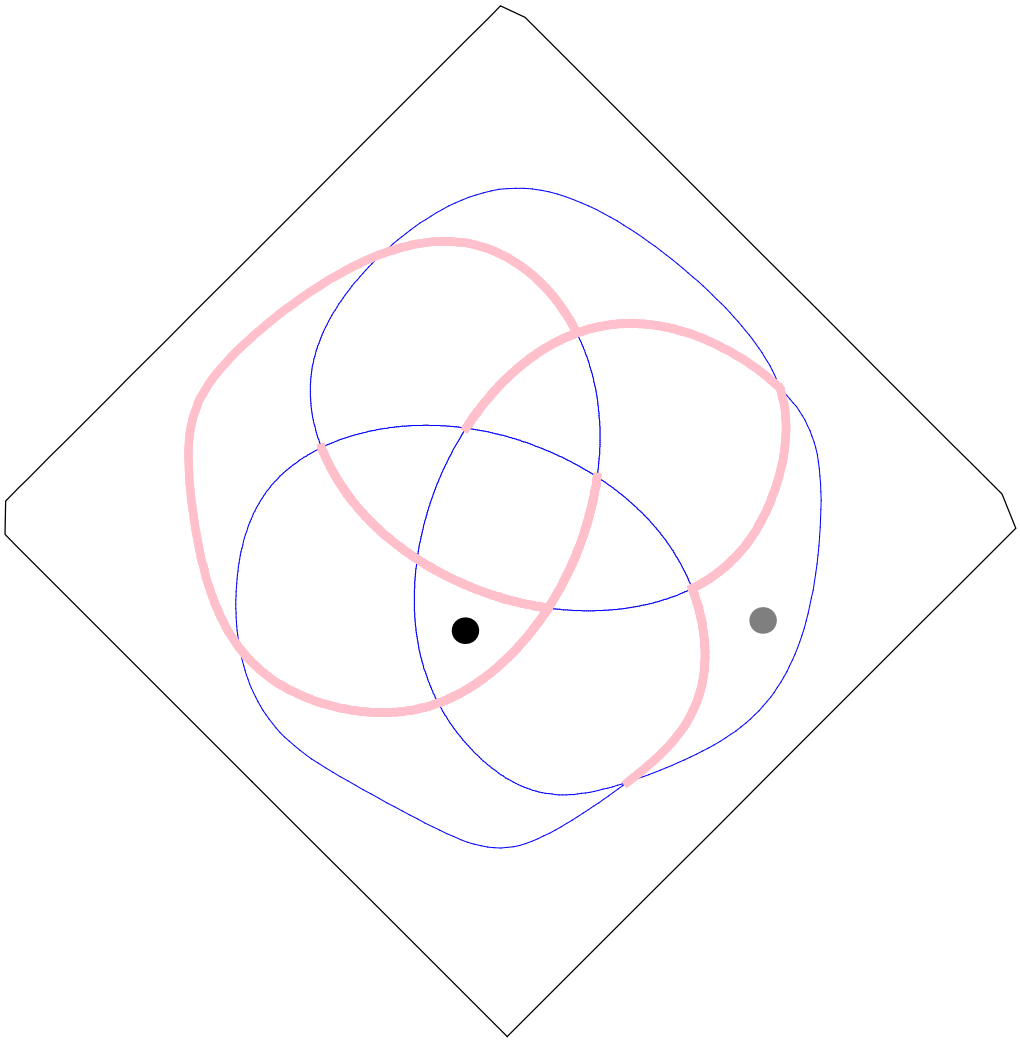

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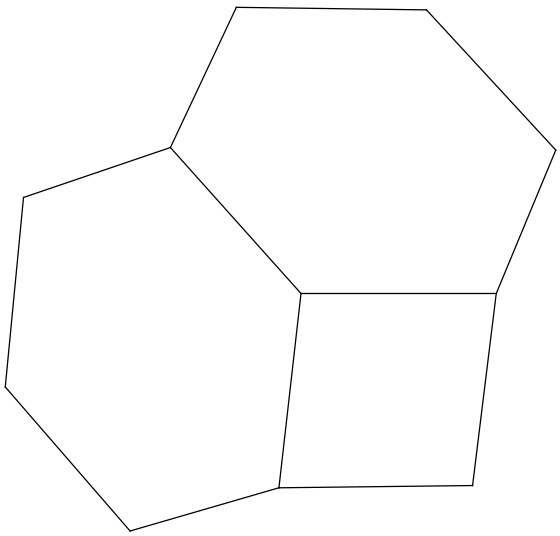

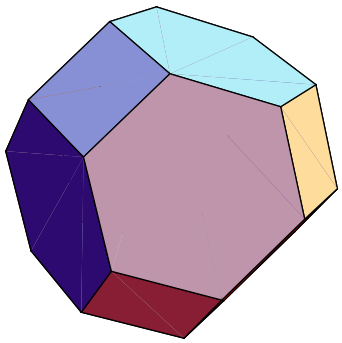

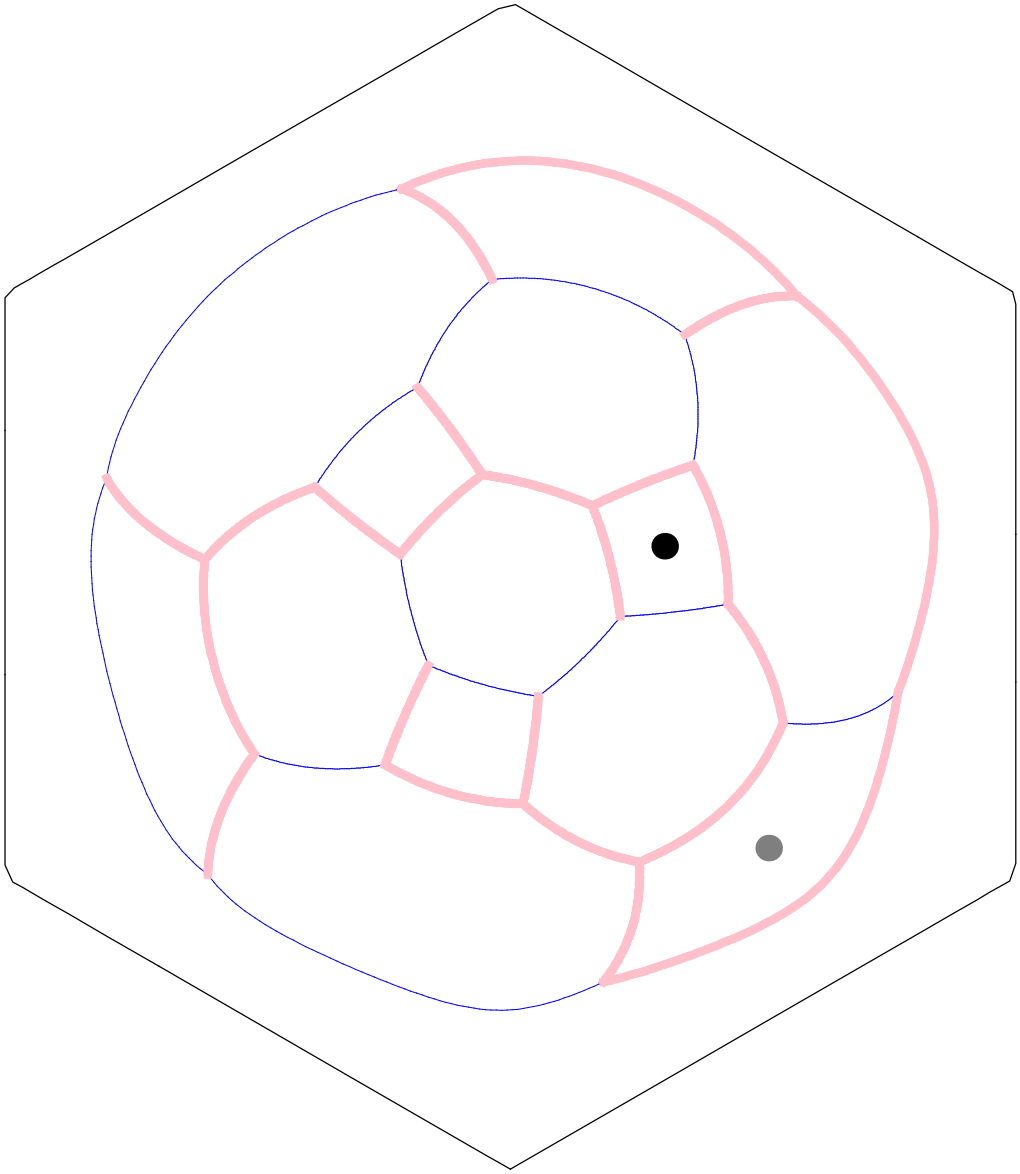

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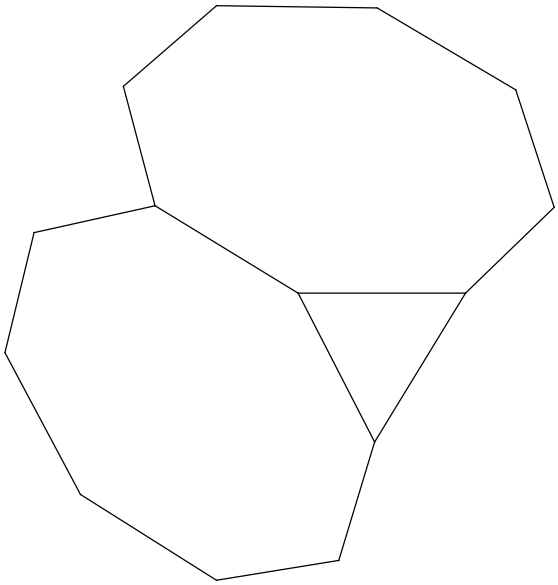
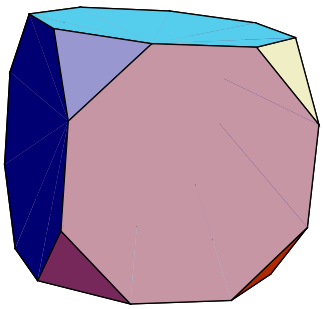
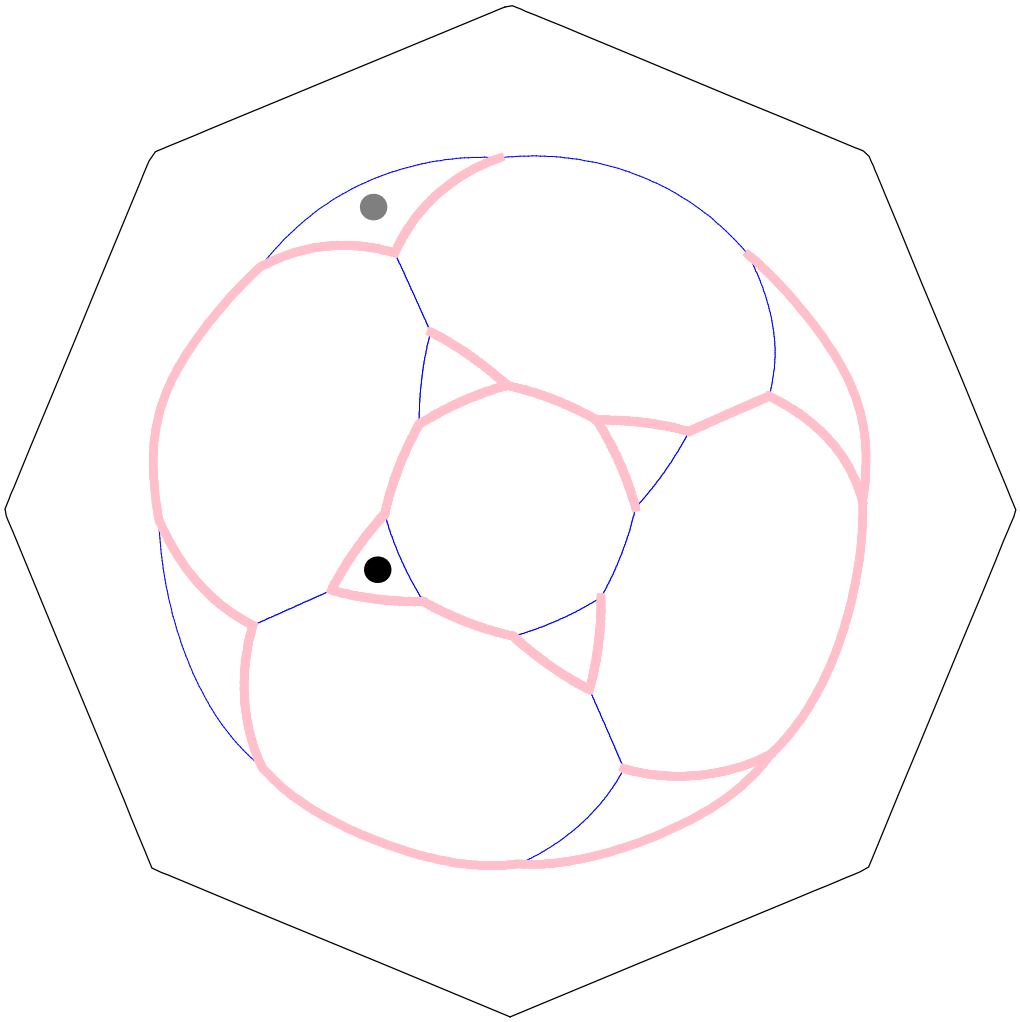
`truncated cube` {8, 8, 3}







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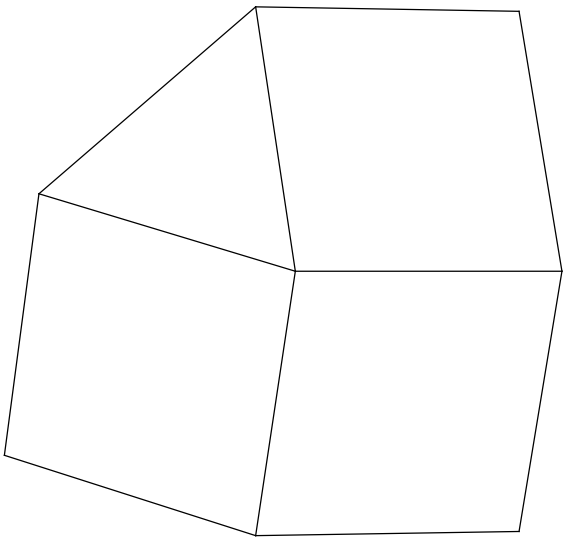

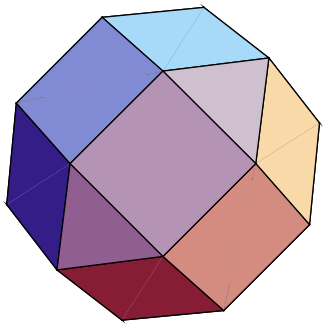

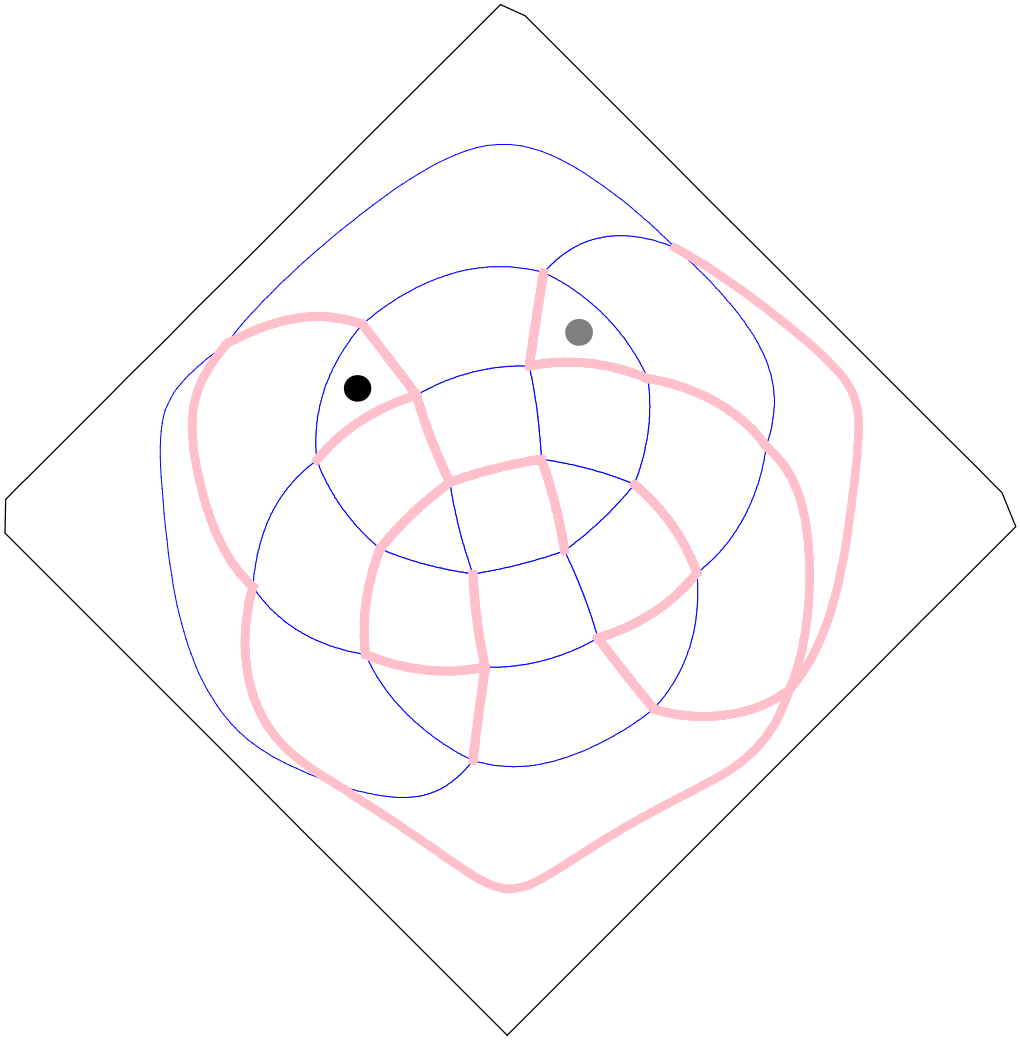

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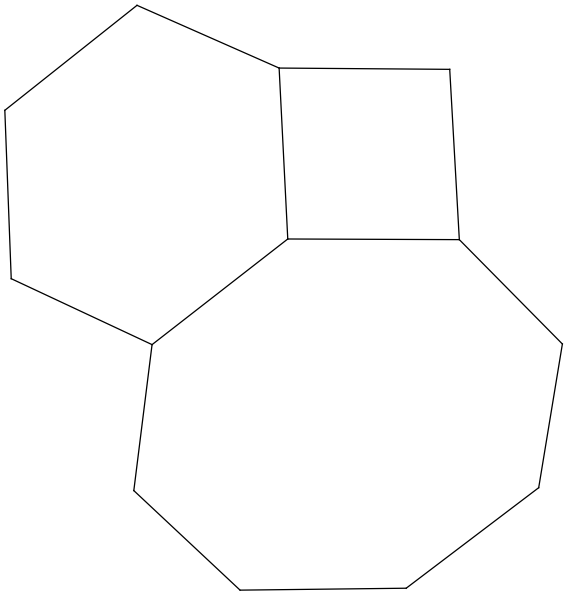

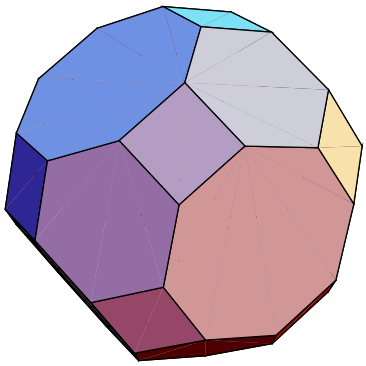

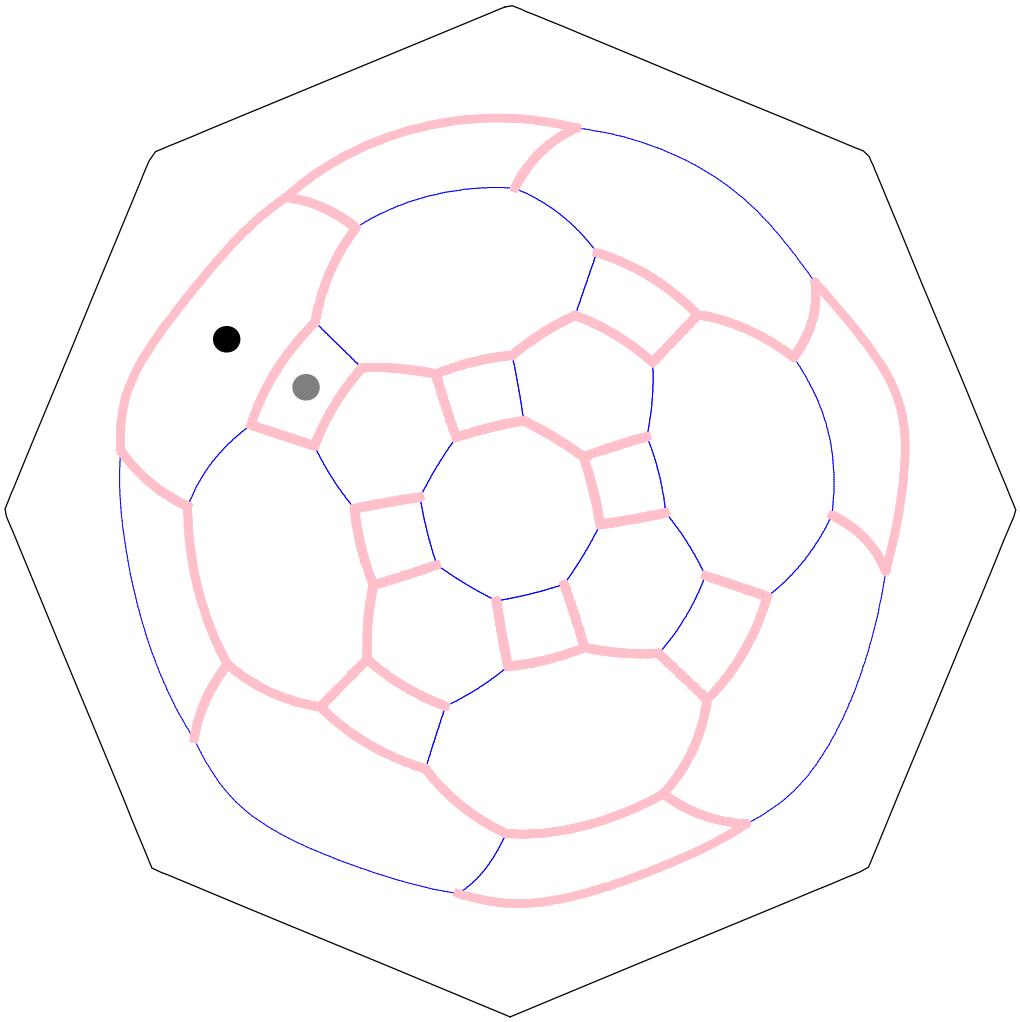

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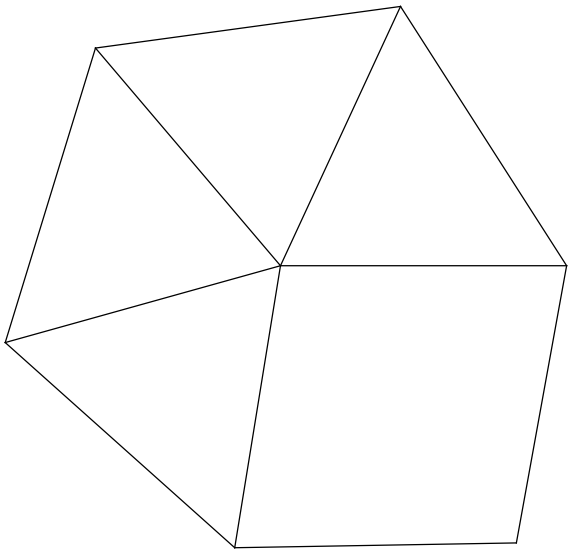

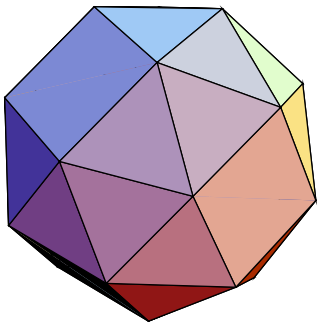

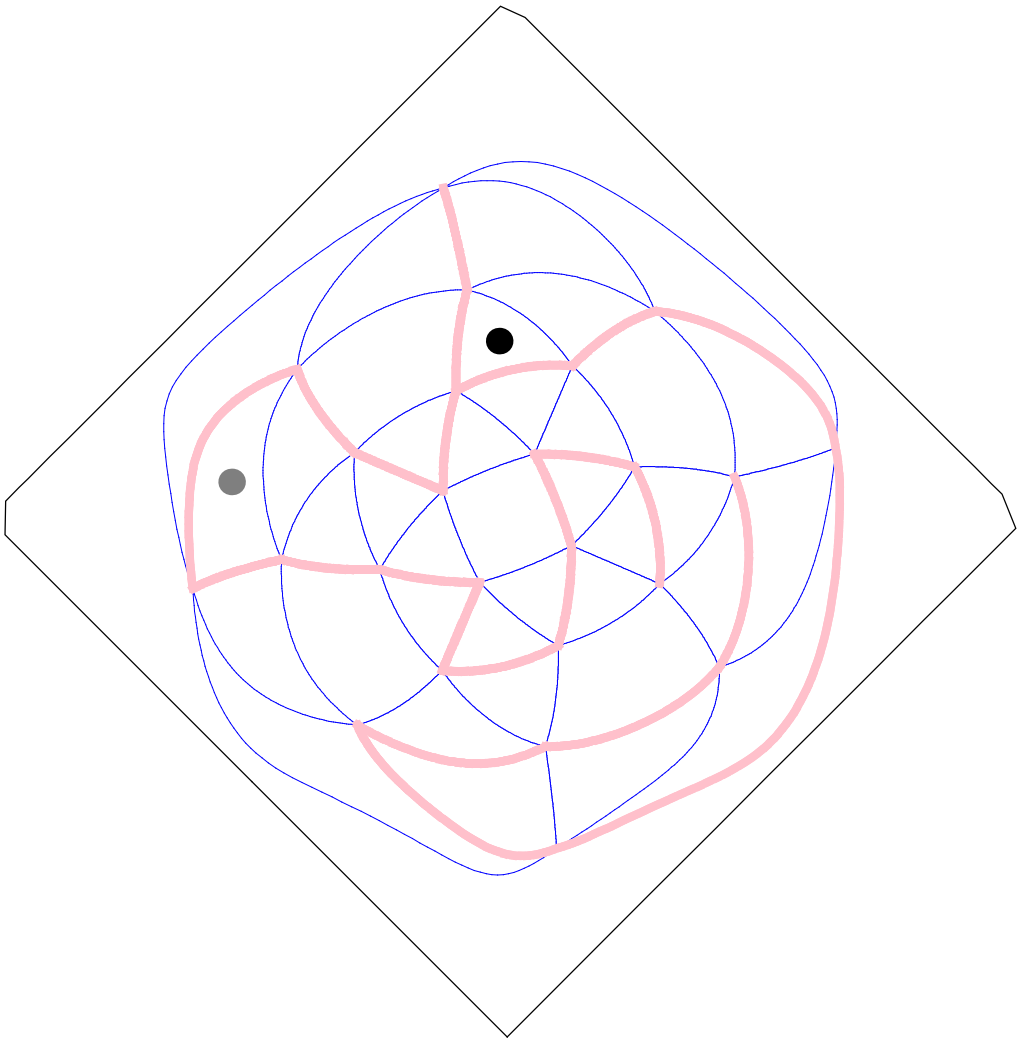

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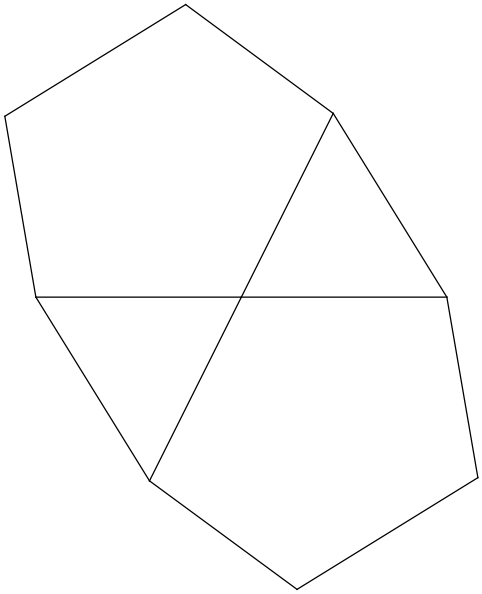

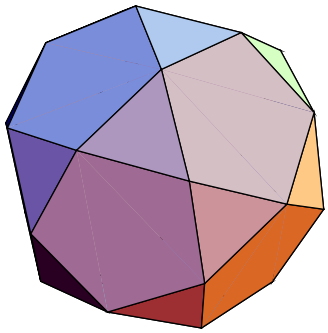

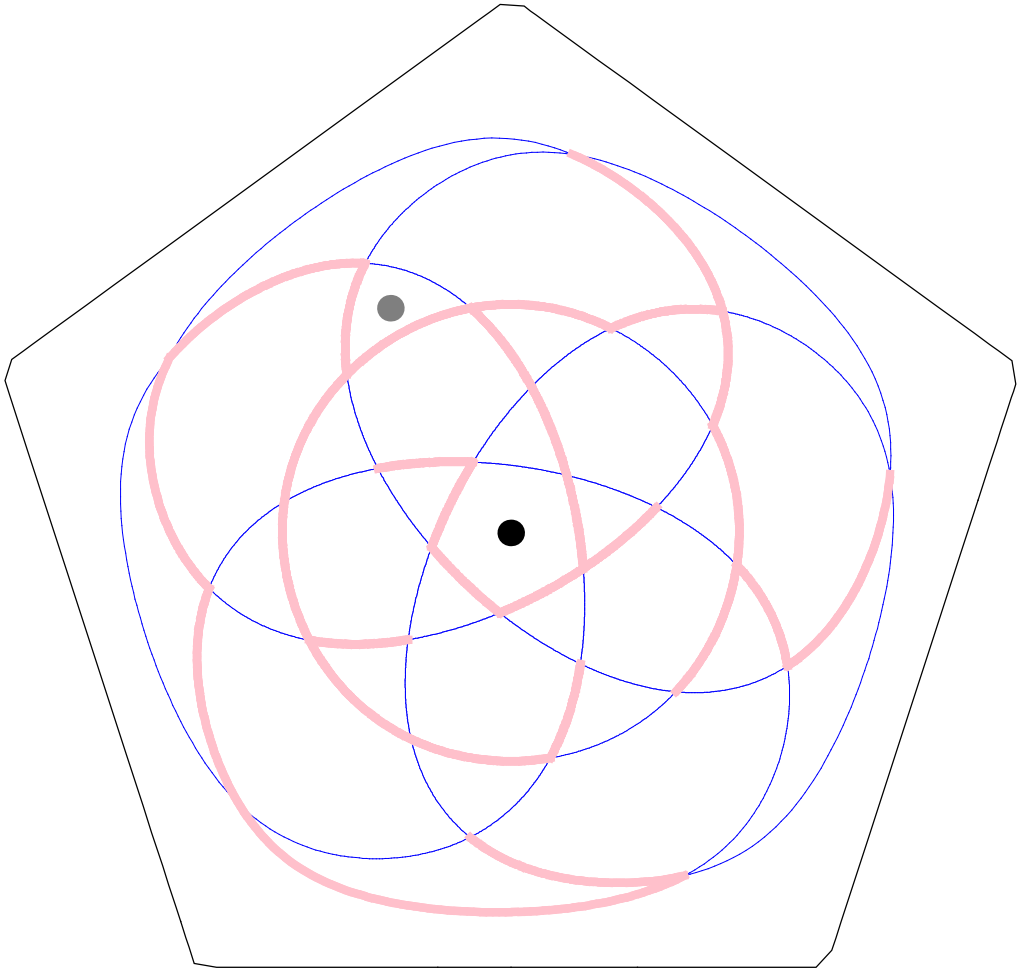

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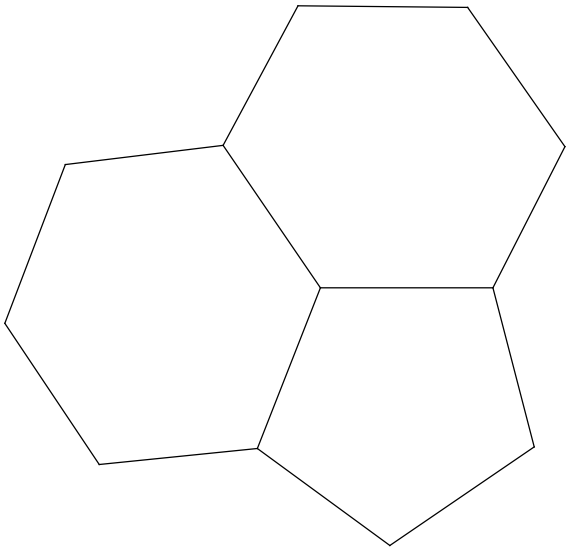
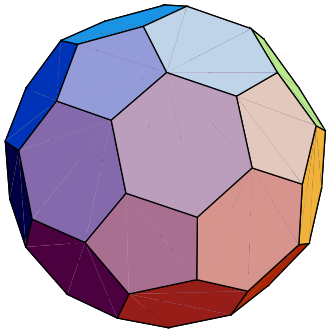
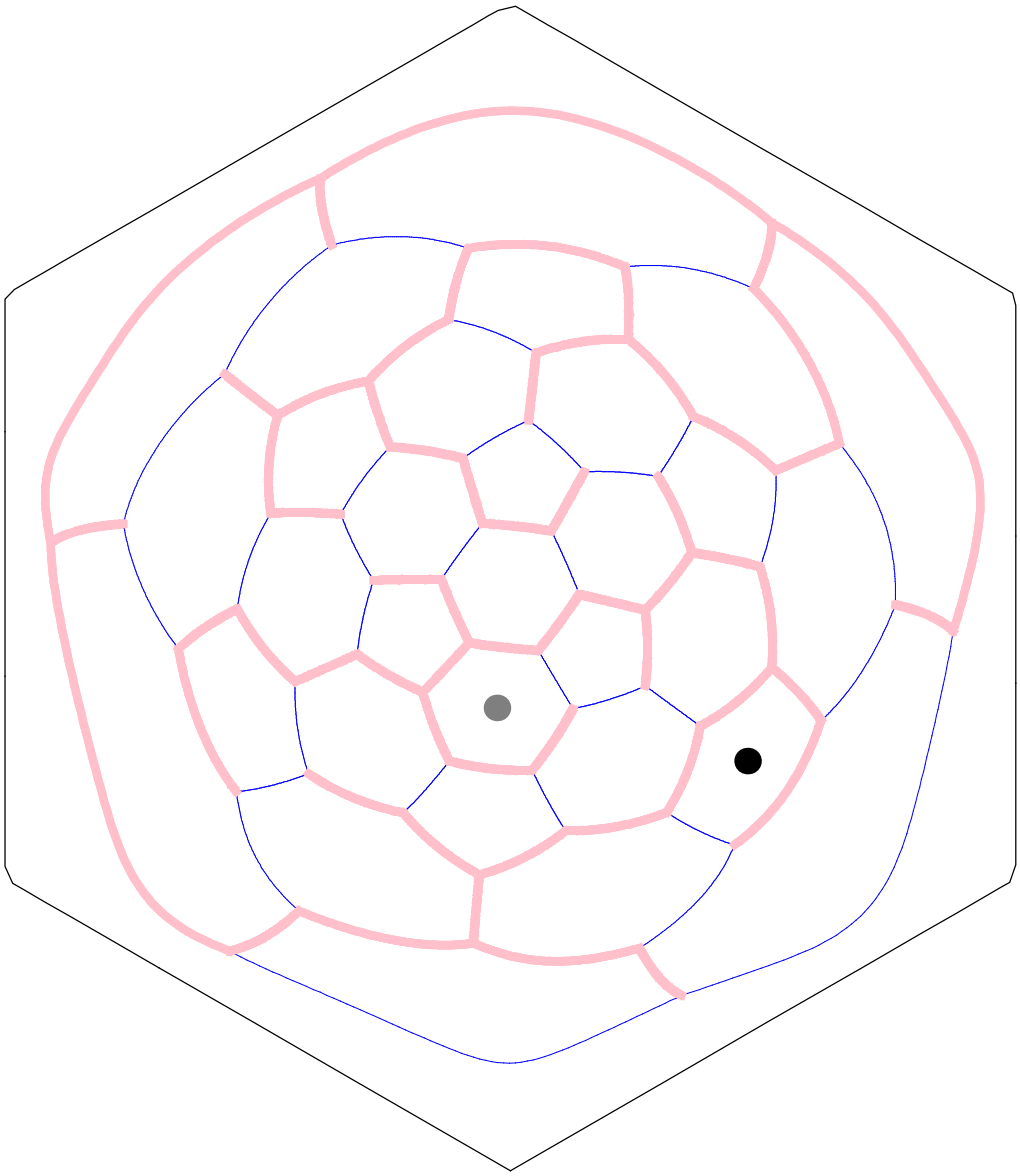
`truncated icosahedron` {6, 6, 5}







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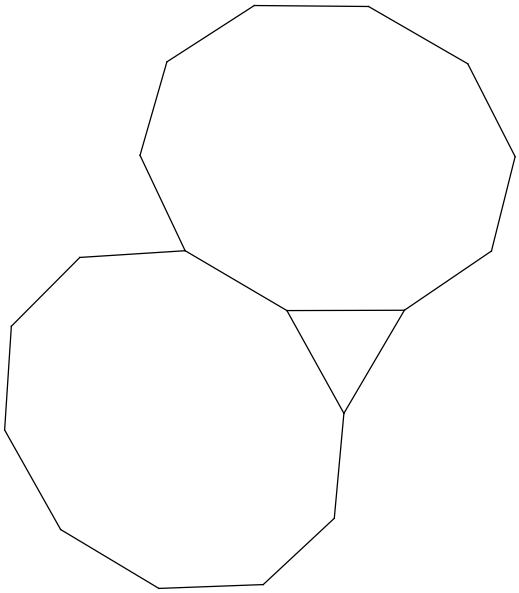

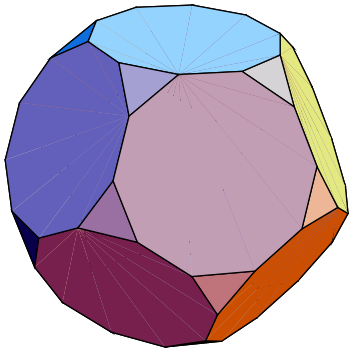

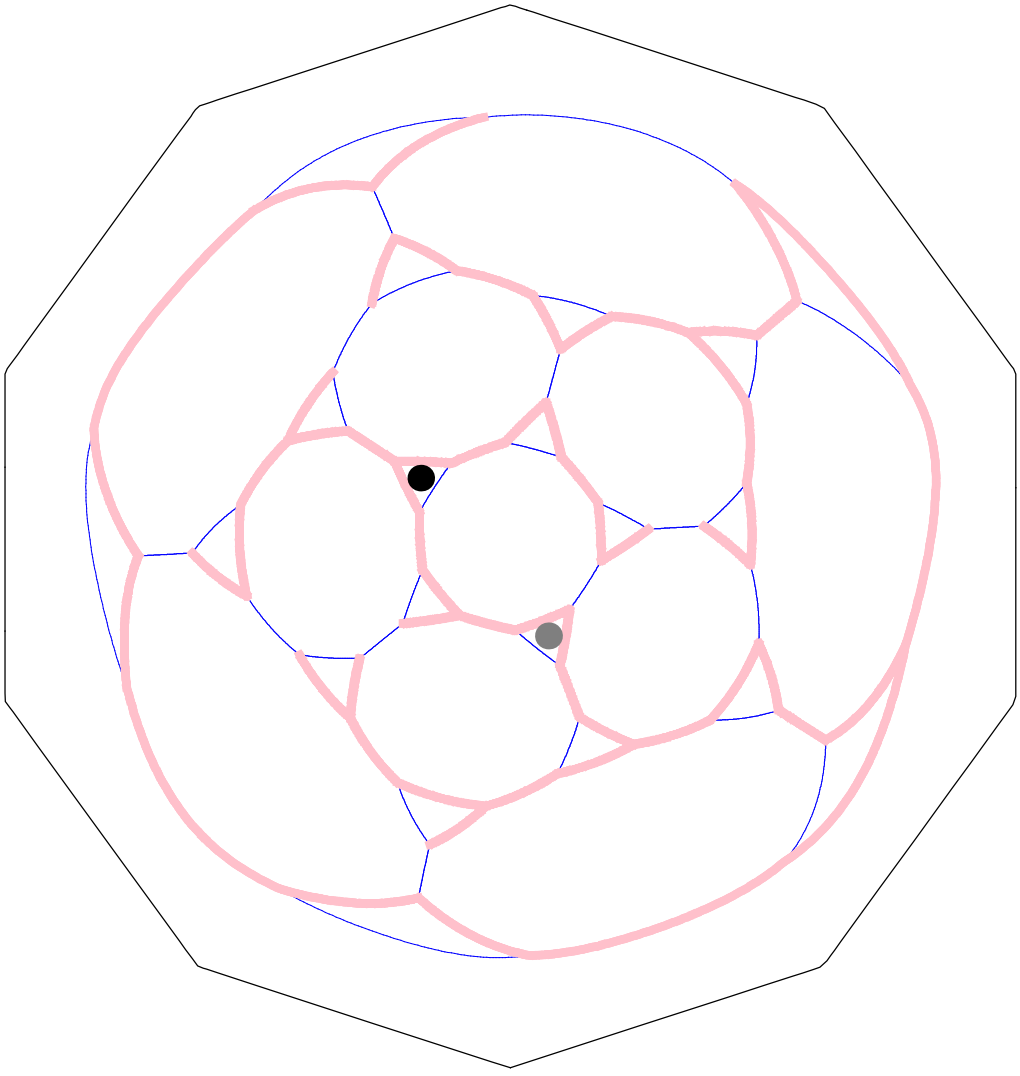

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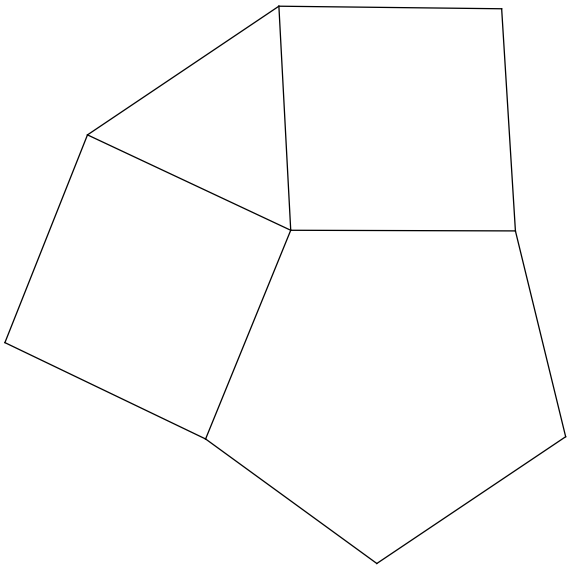

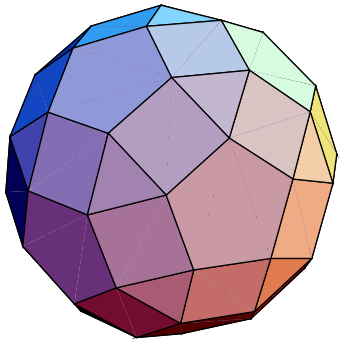

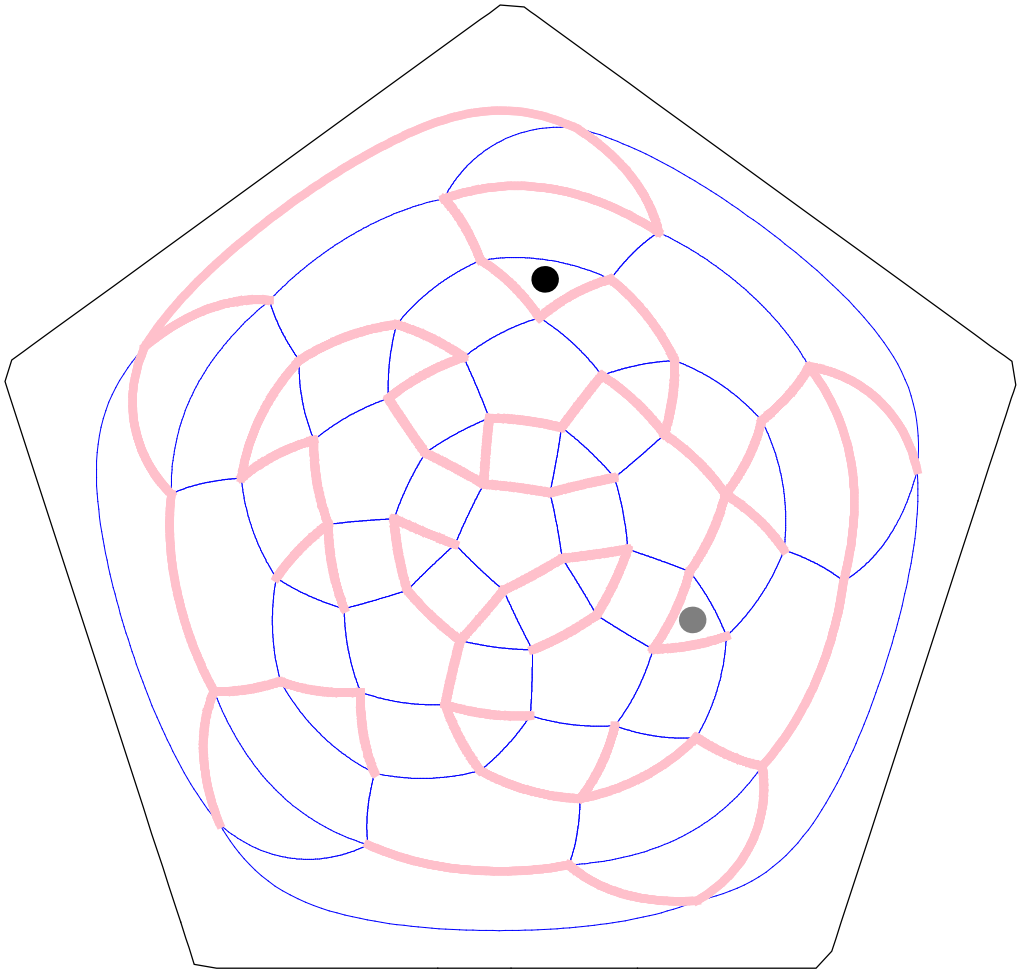

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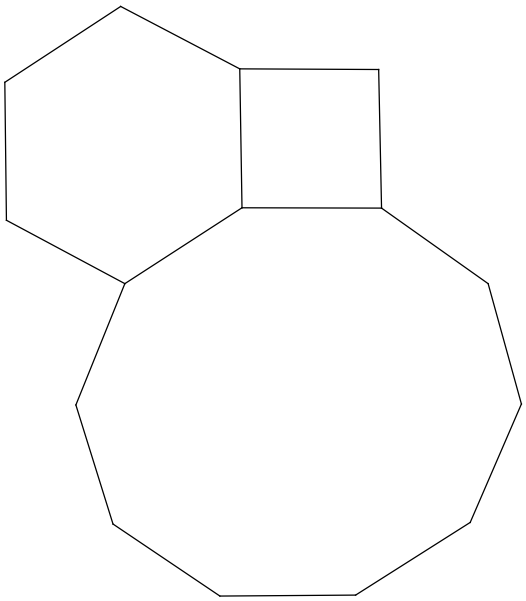

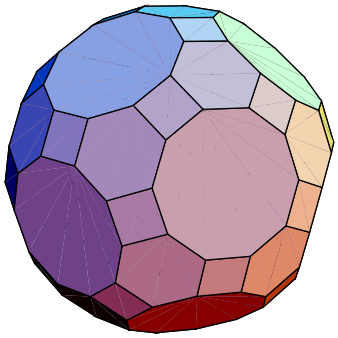

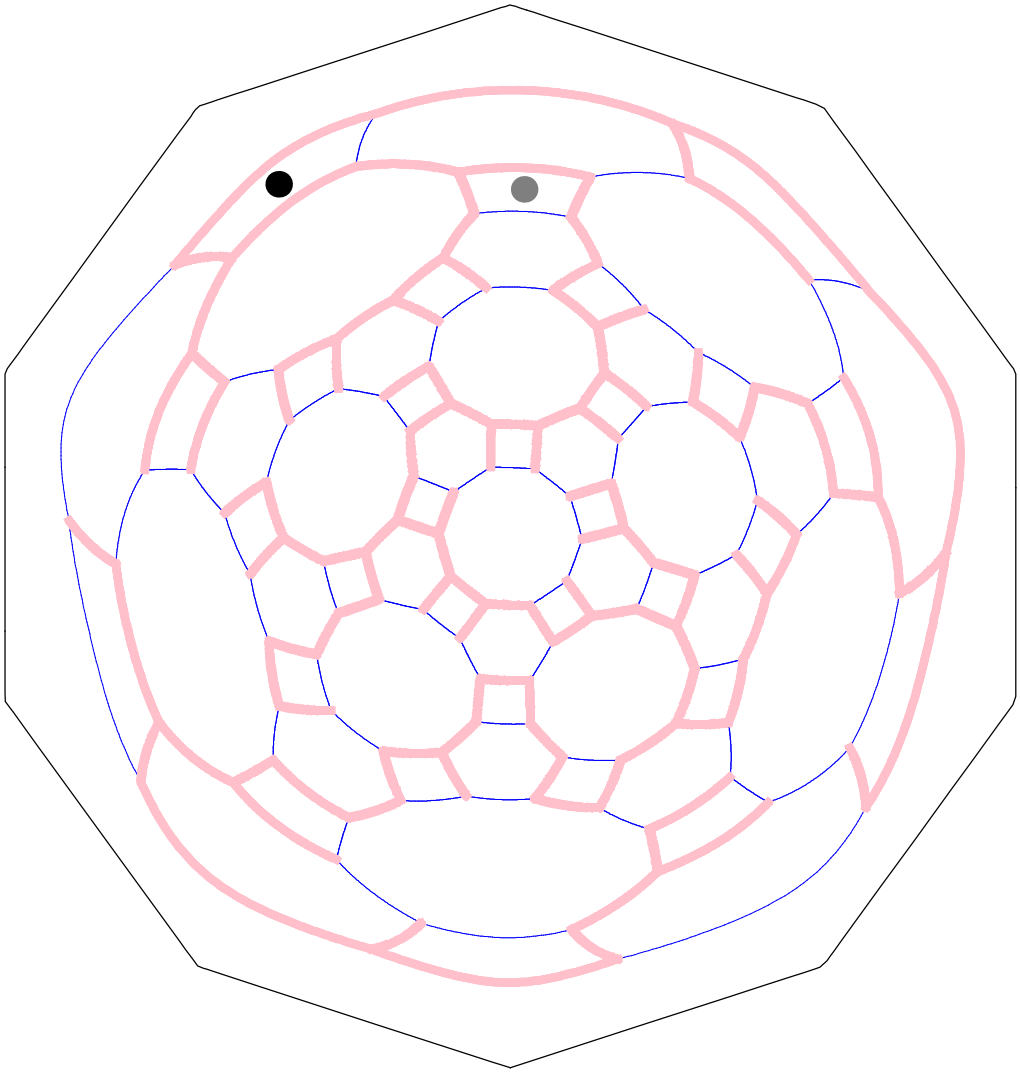

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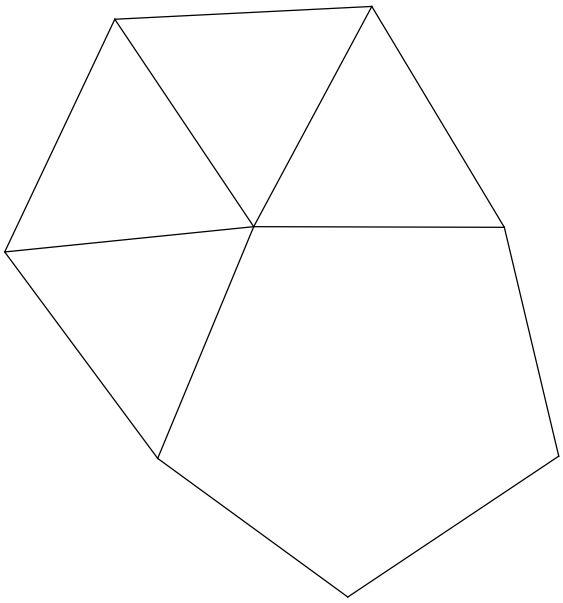

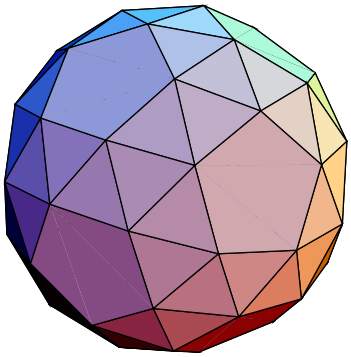

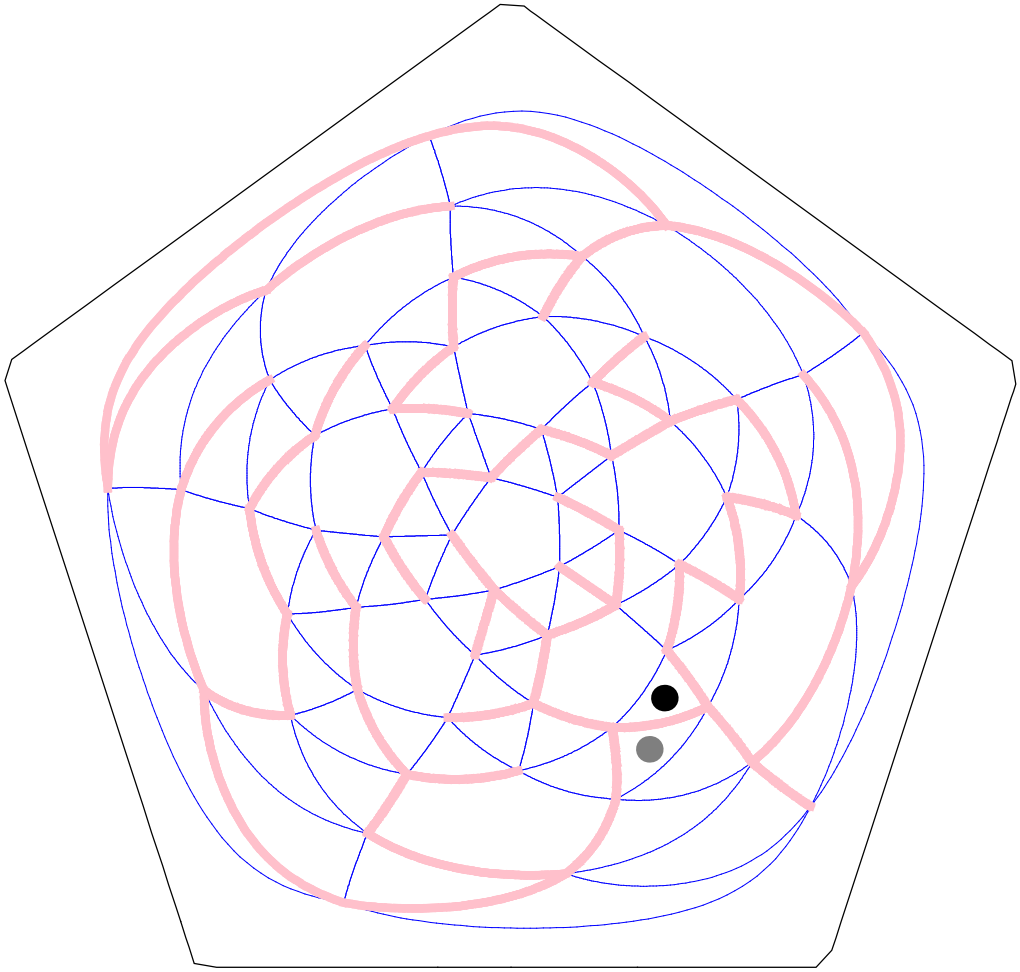

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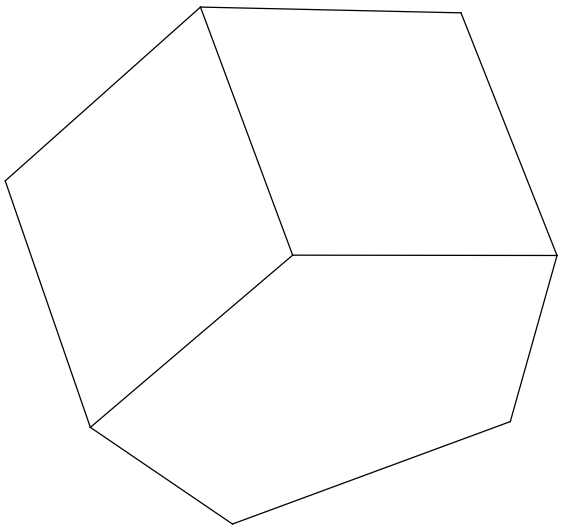

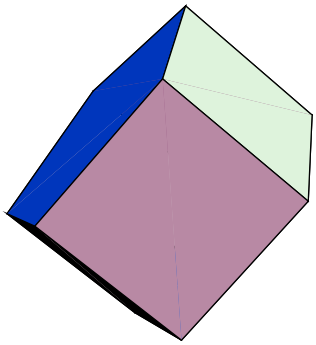

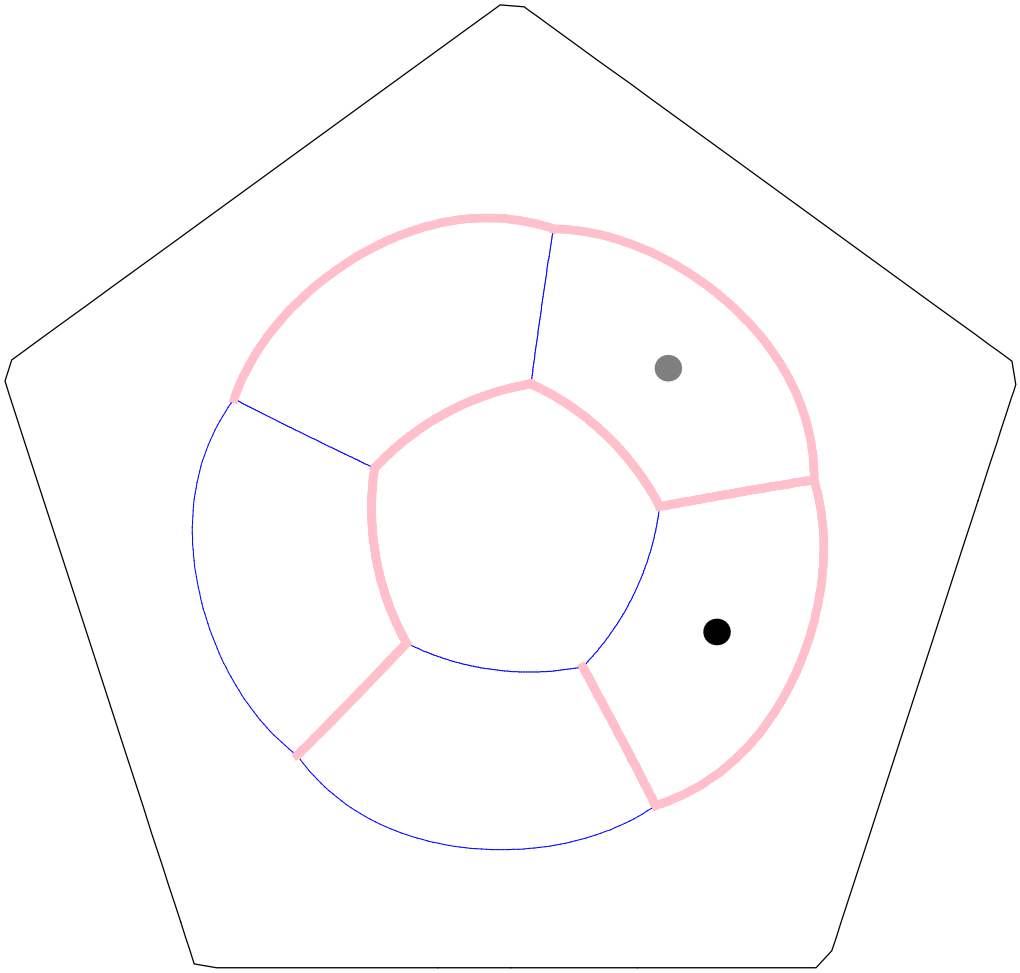

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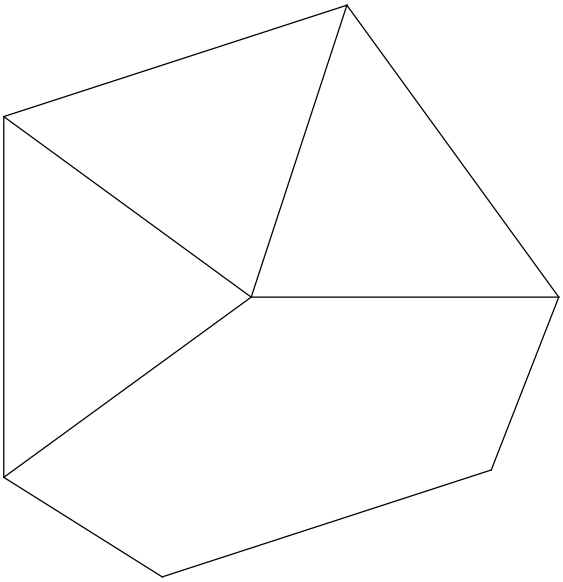

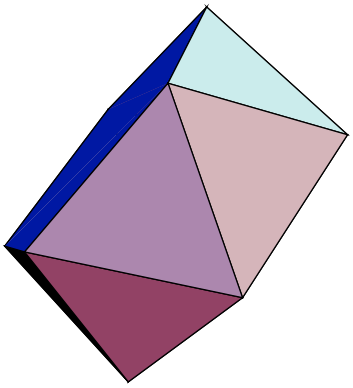

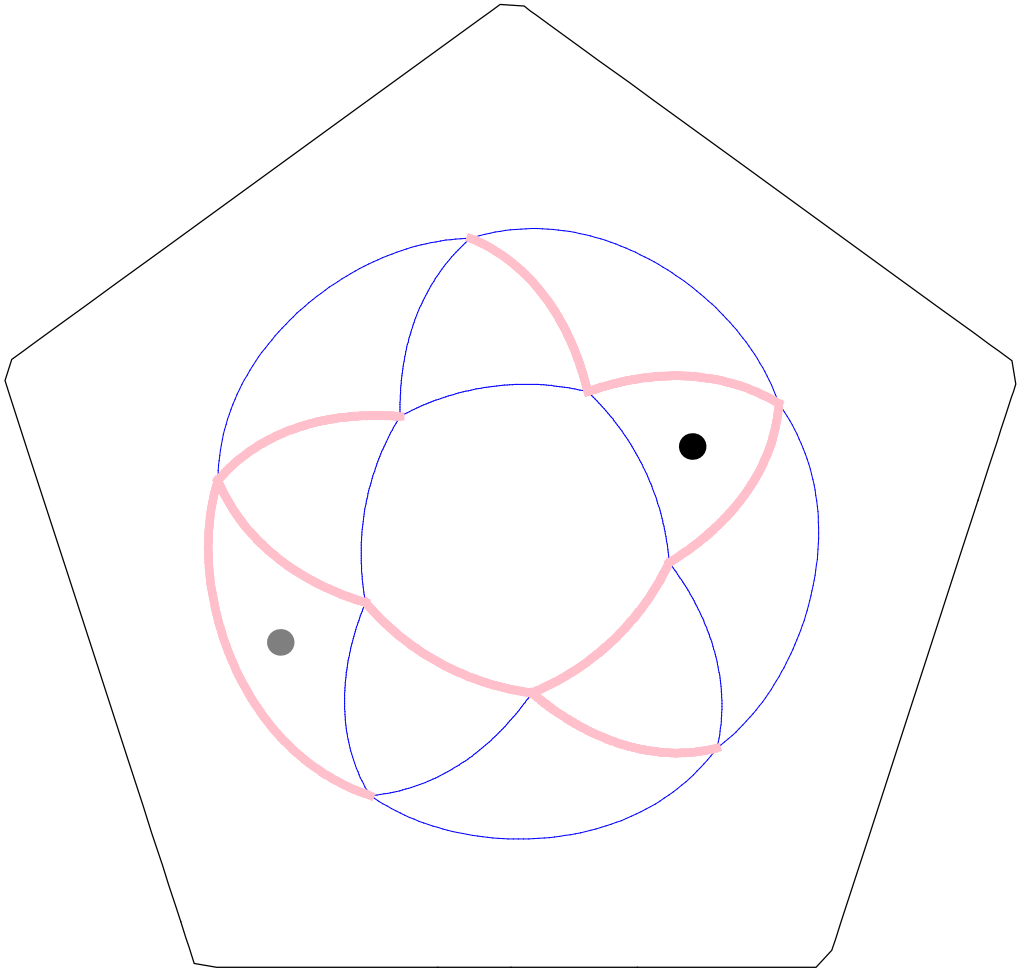

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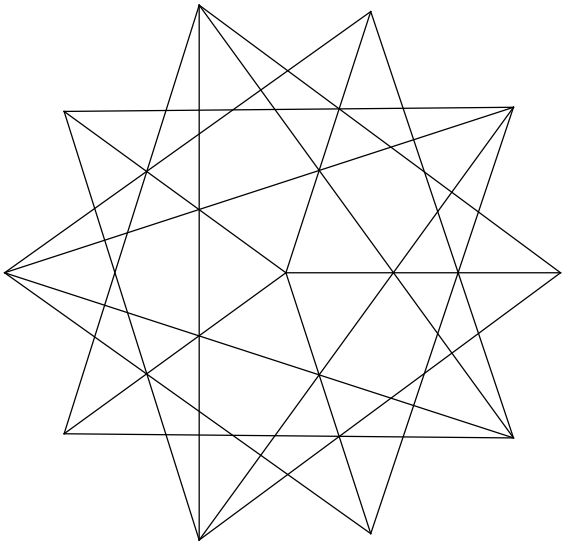

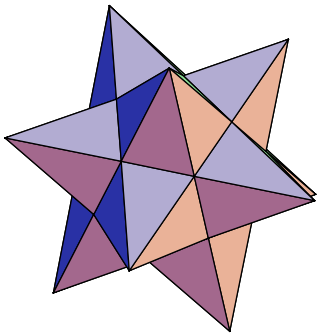

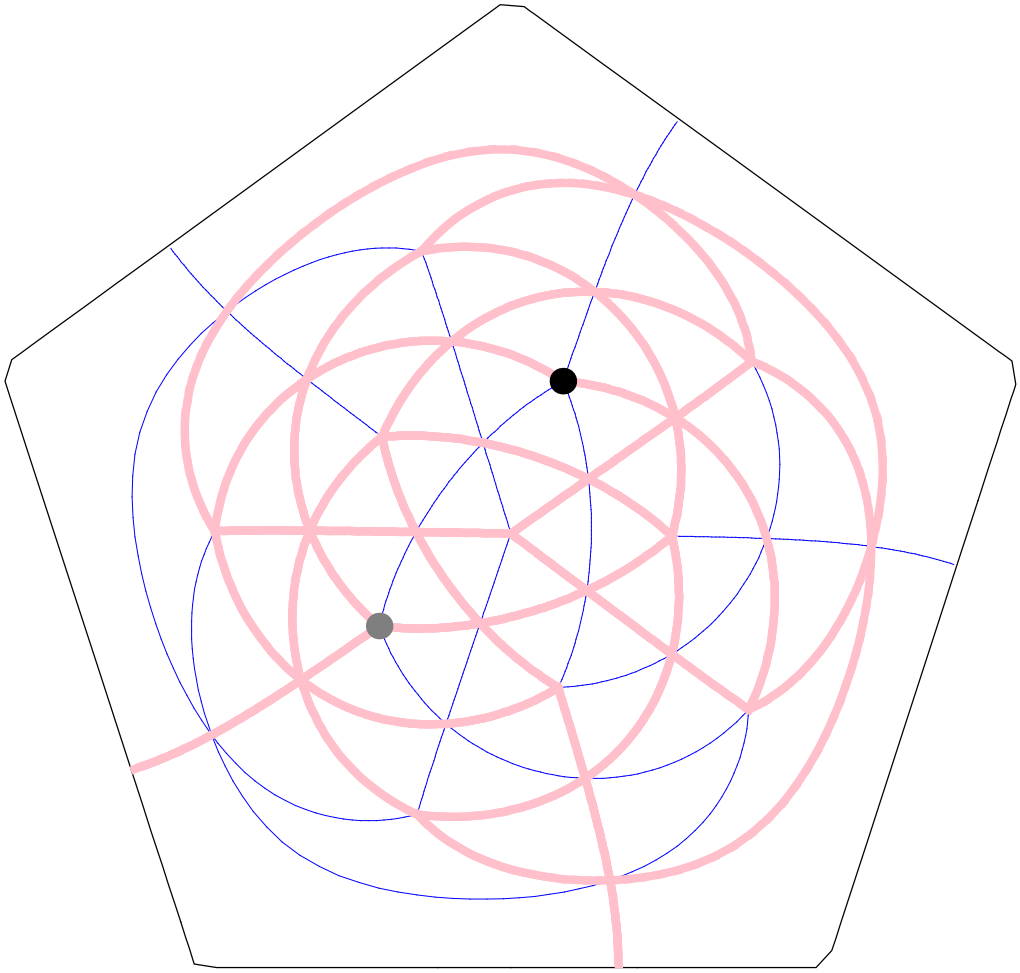

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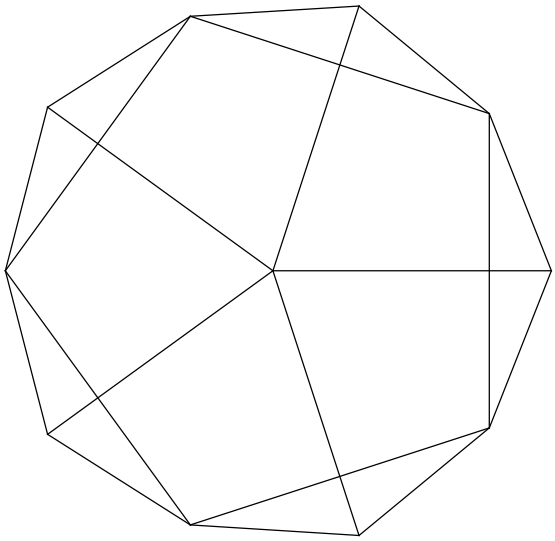

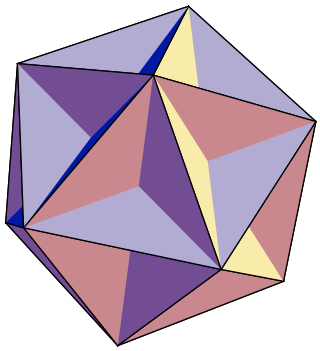

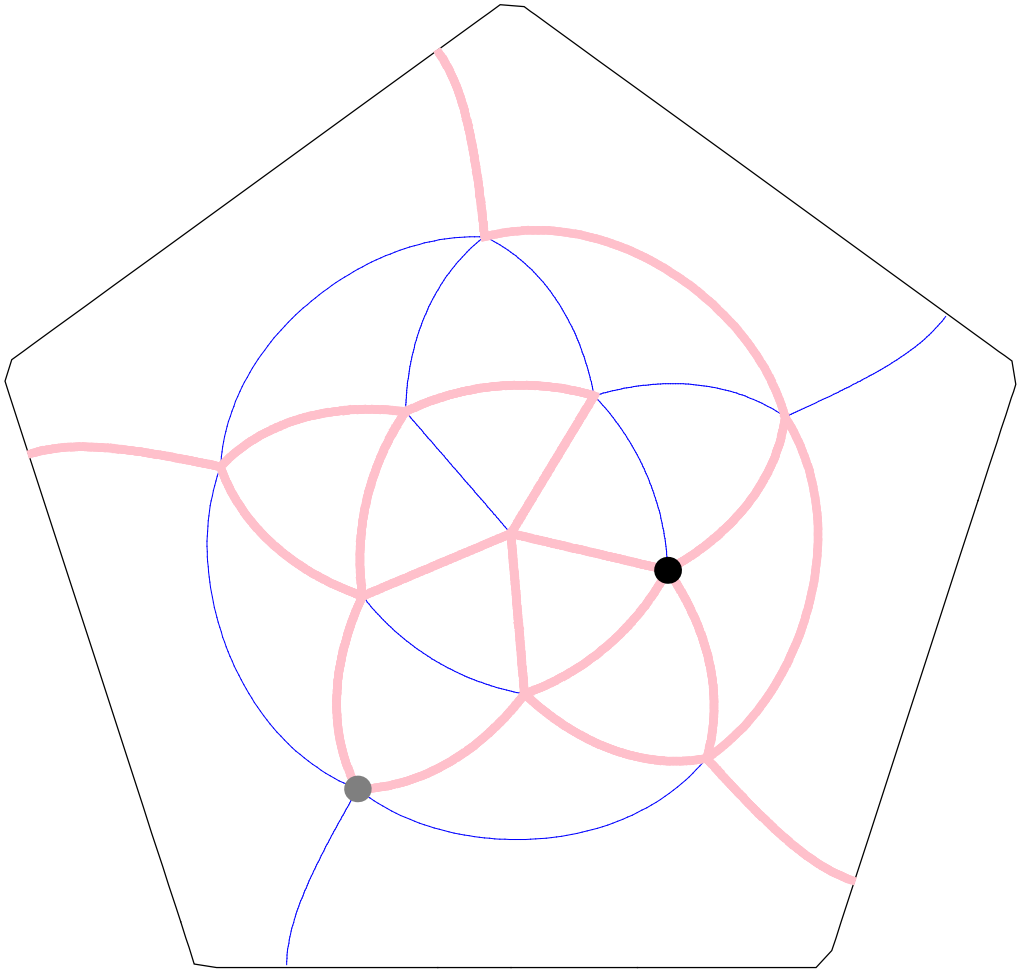

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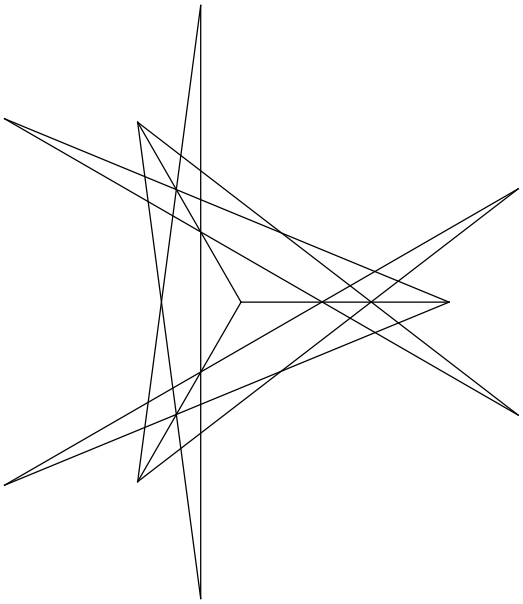

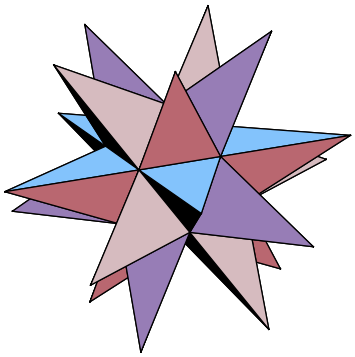

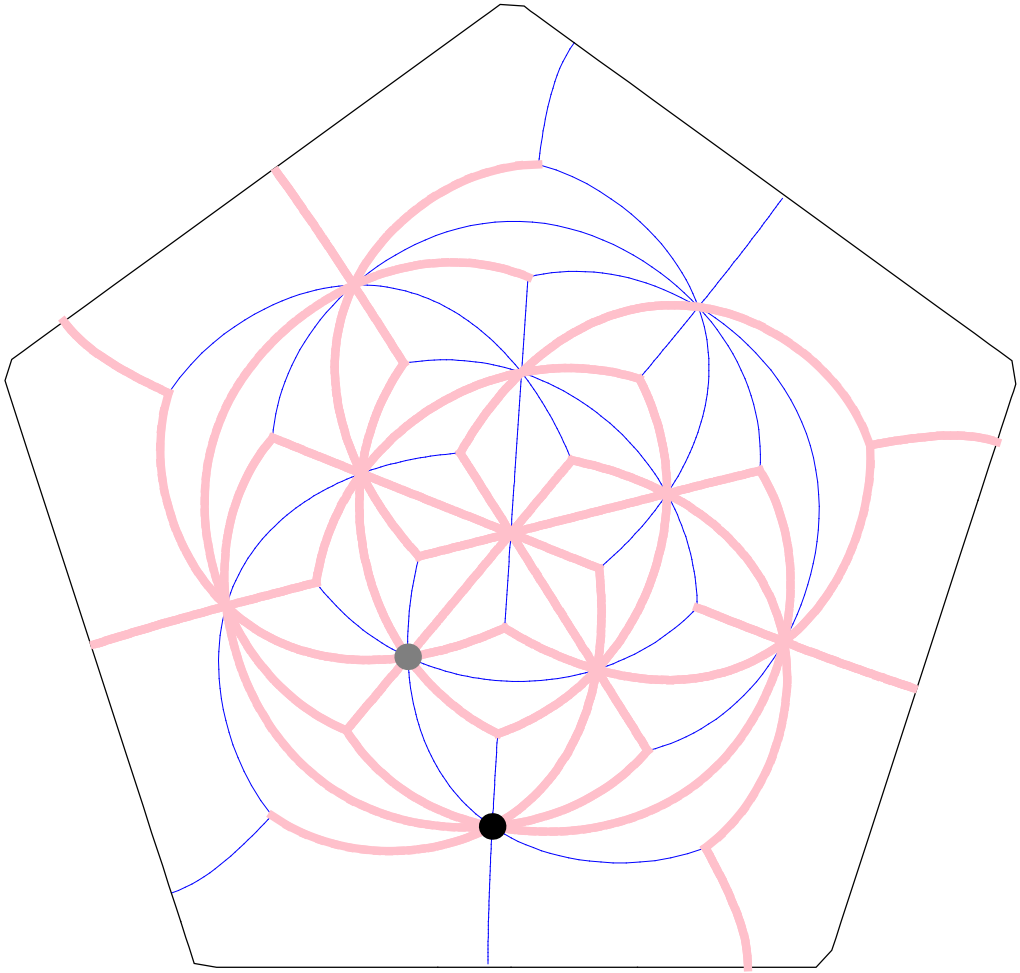

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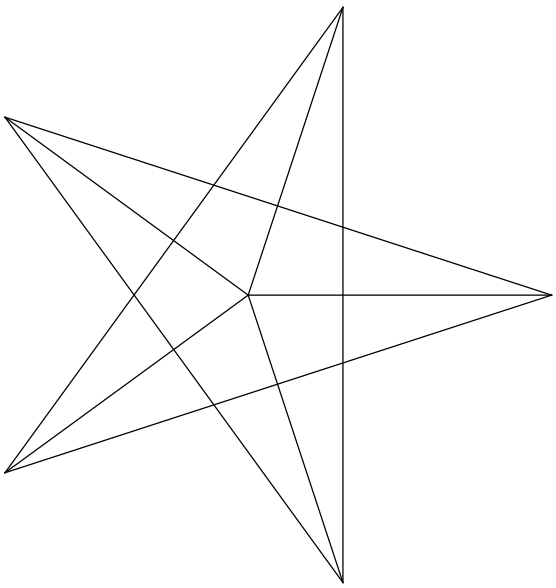

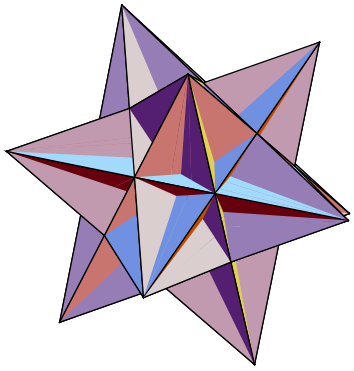

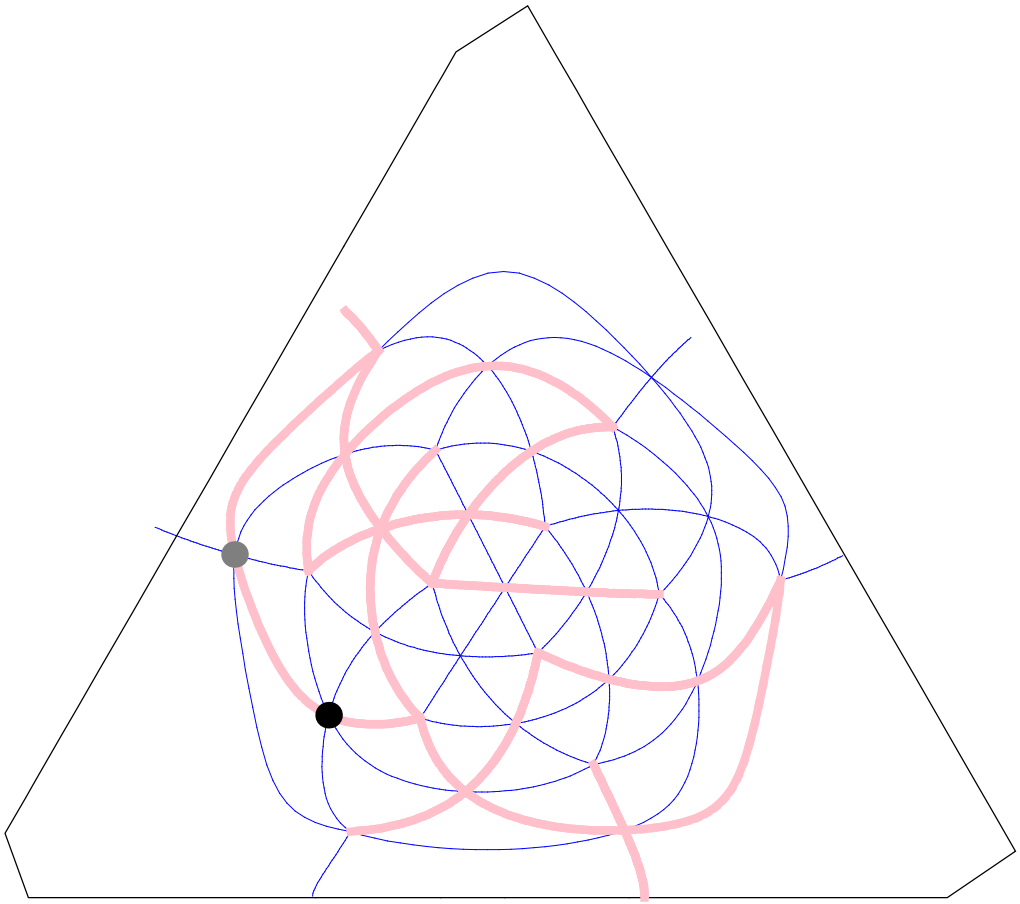

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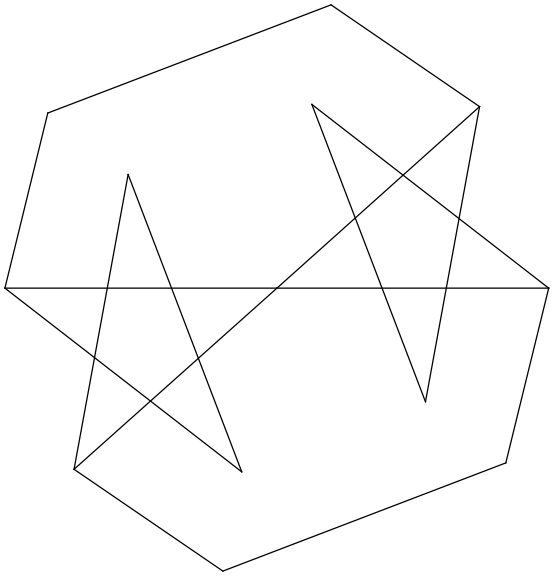

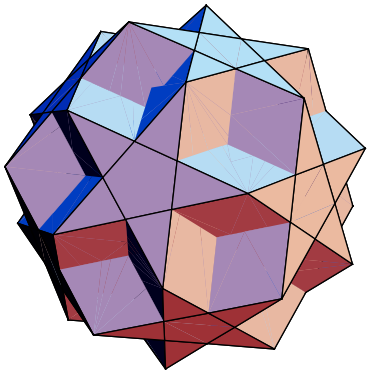

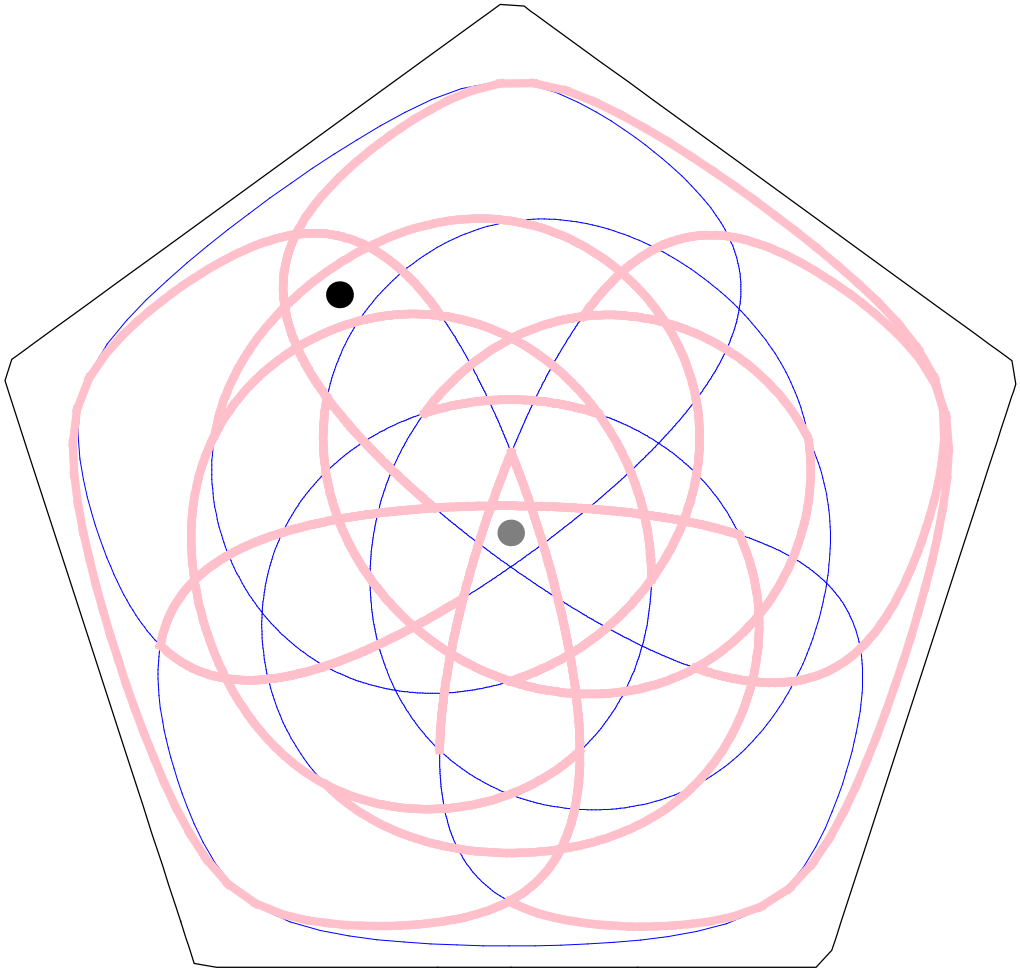

Solutions

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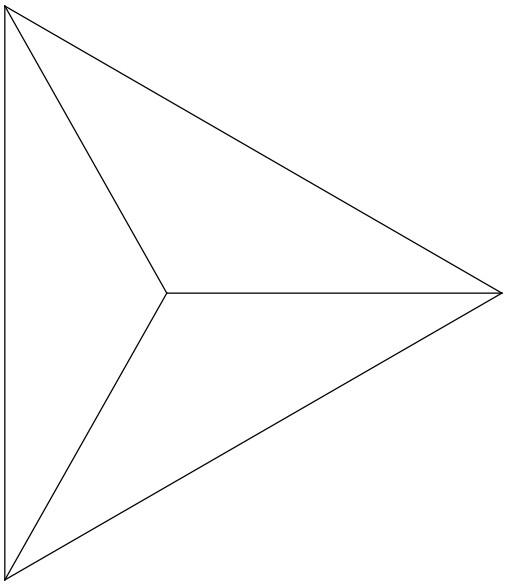

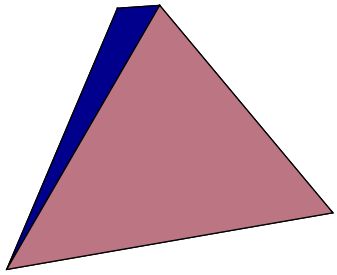

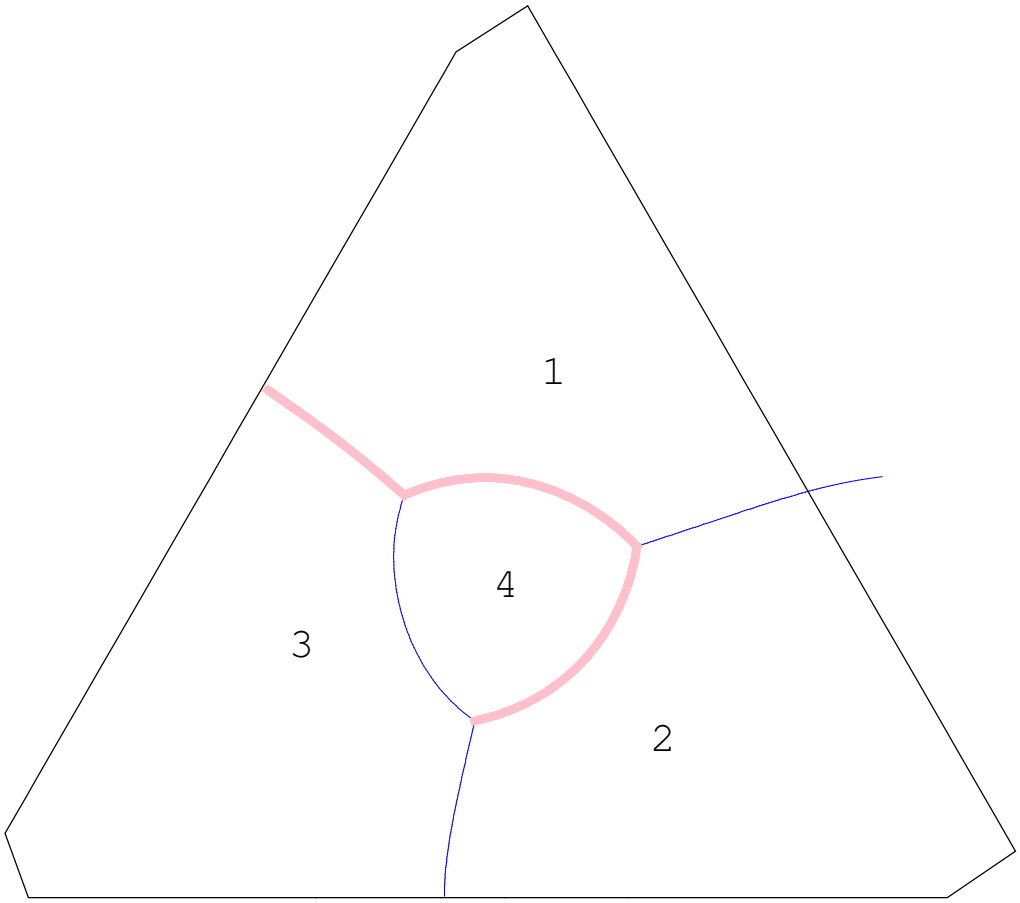

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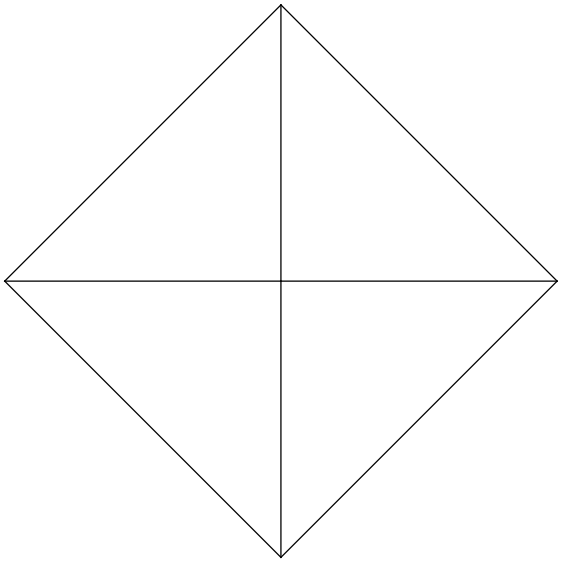

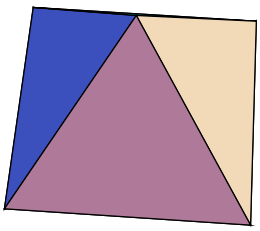

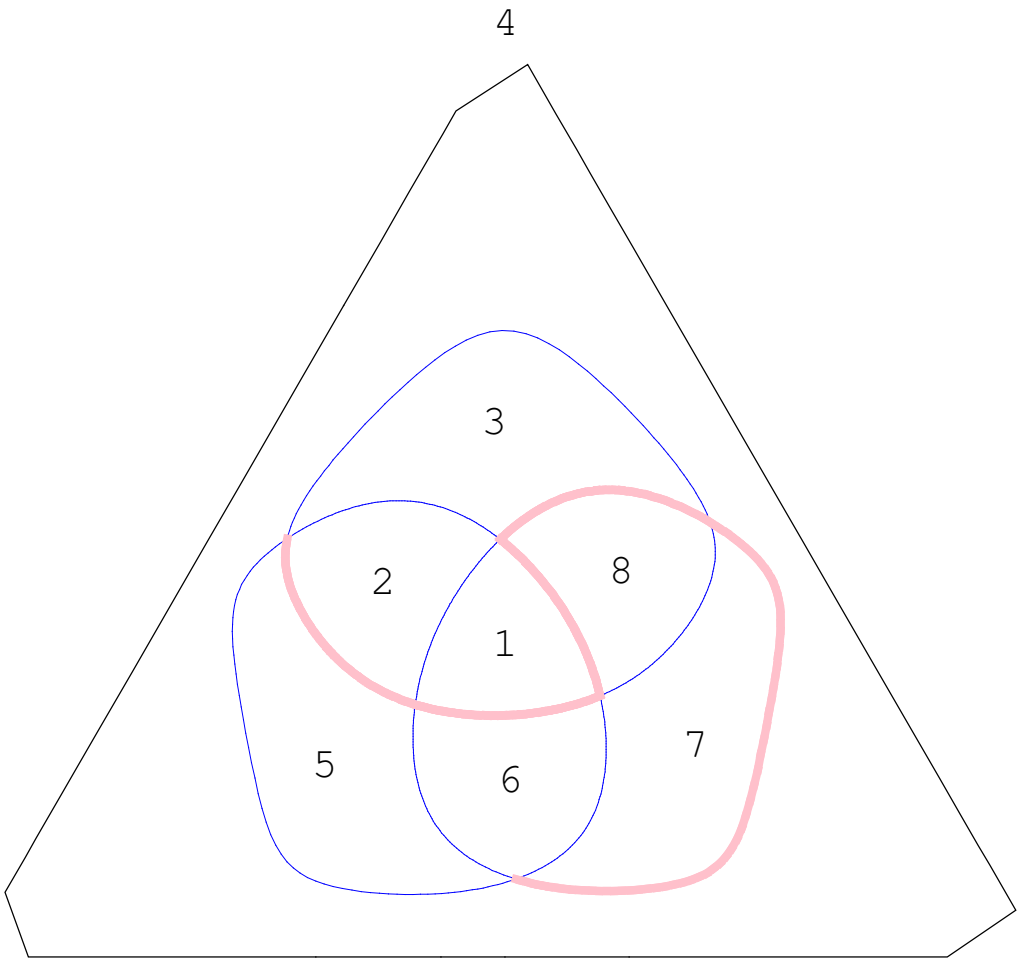

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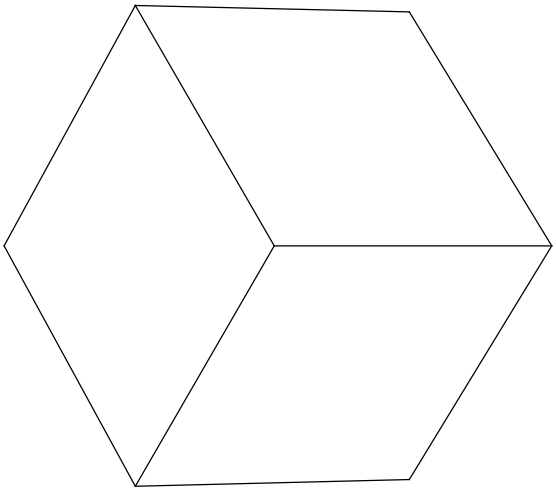

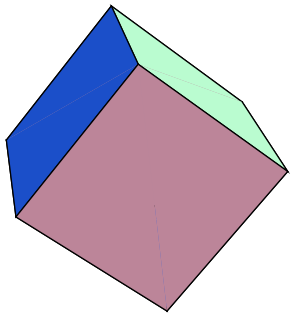

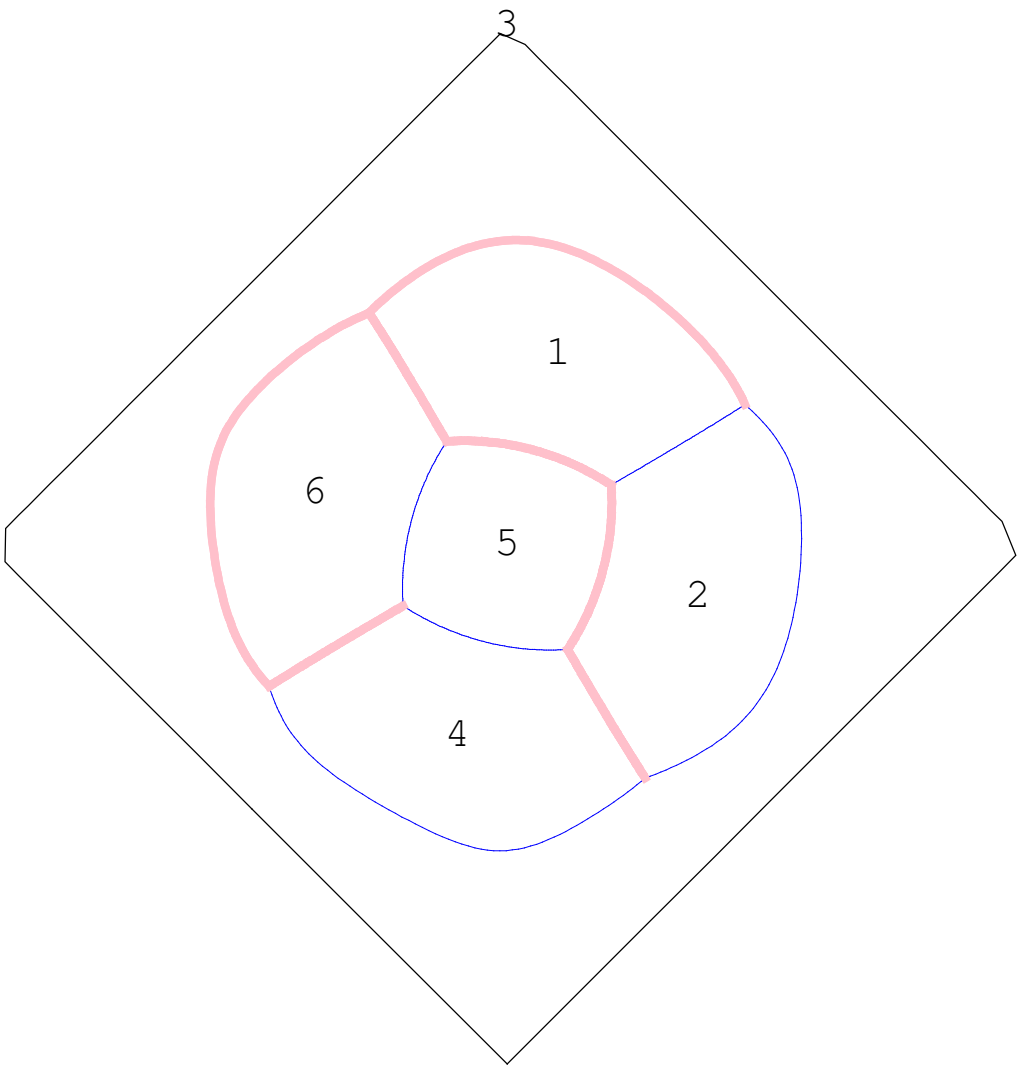

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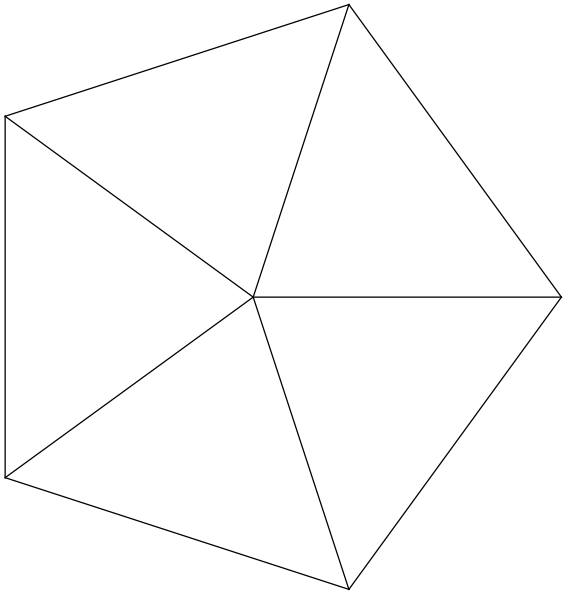

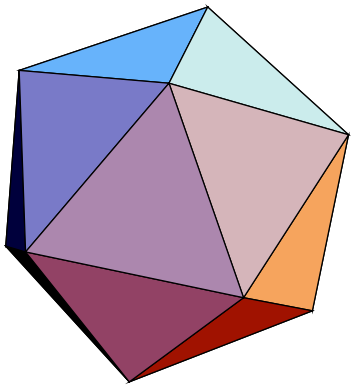

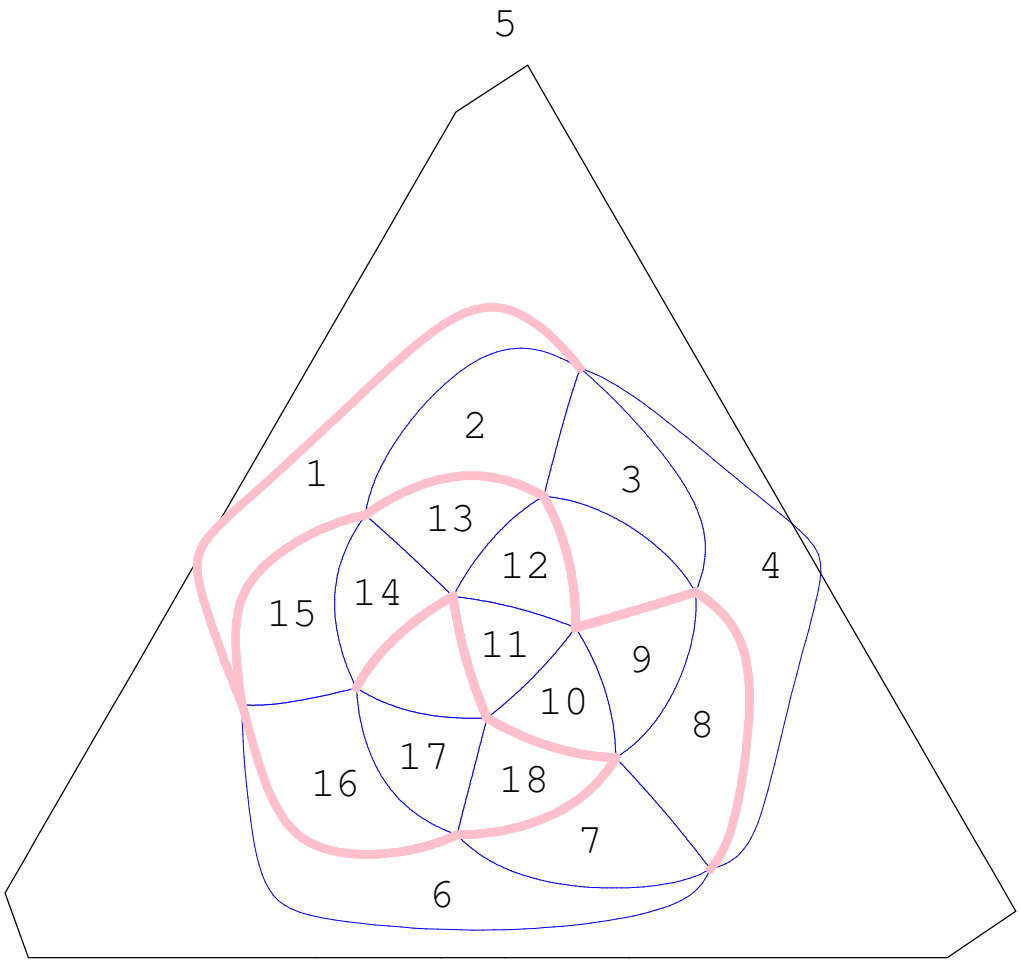

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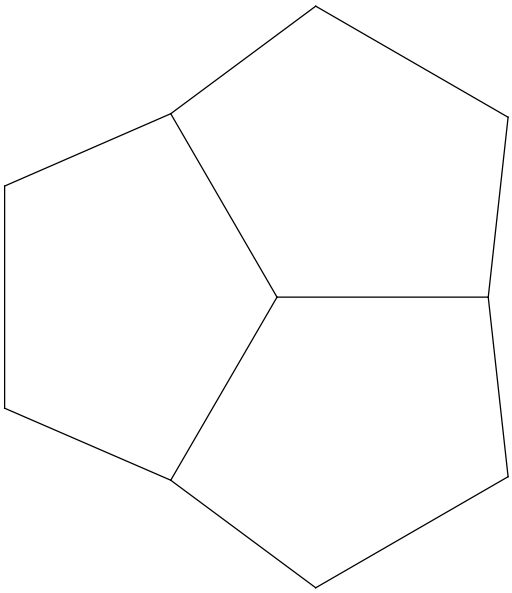

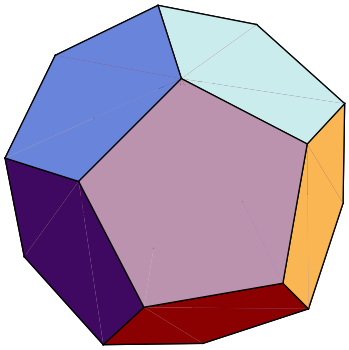

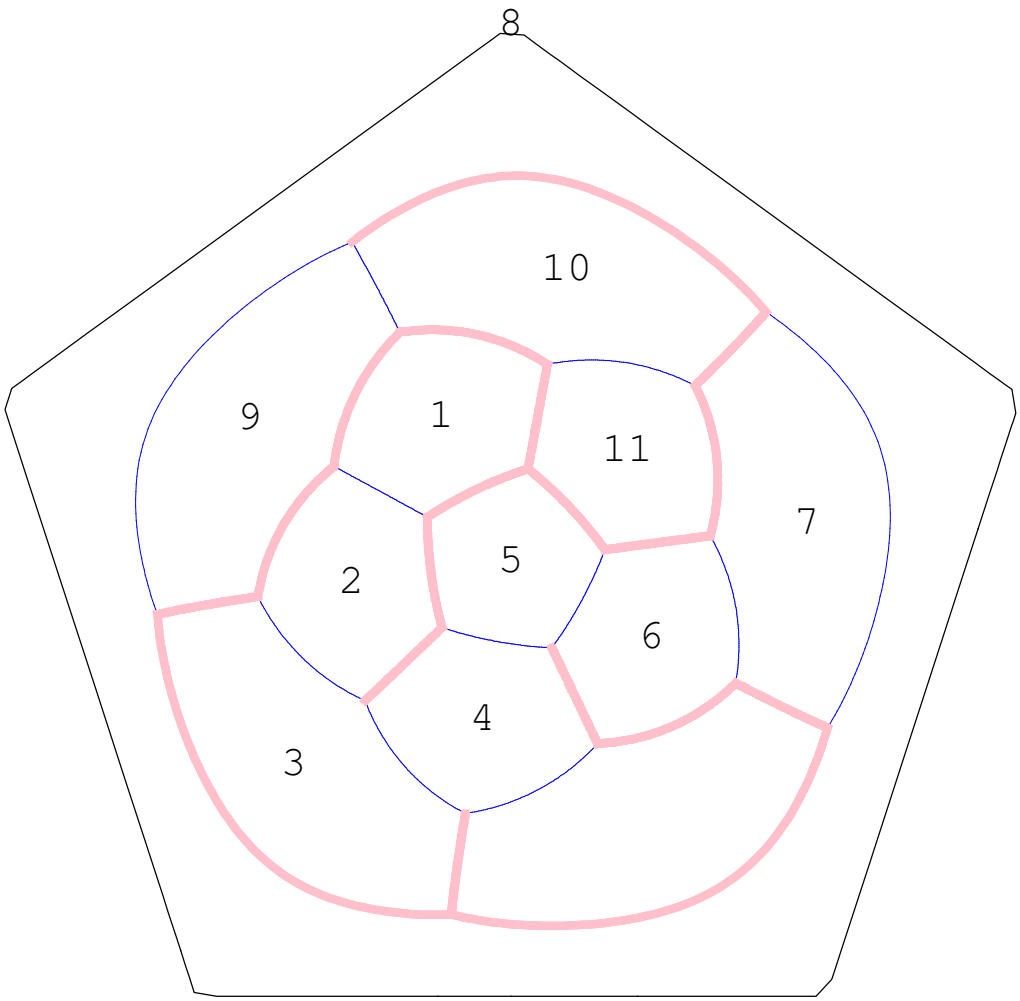

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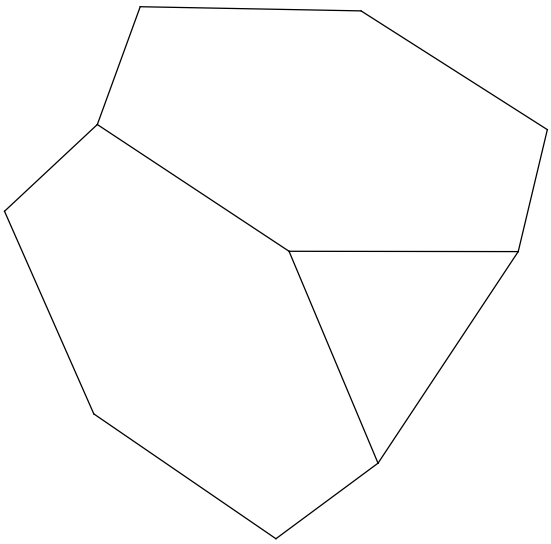
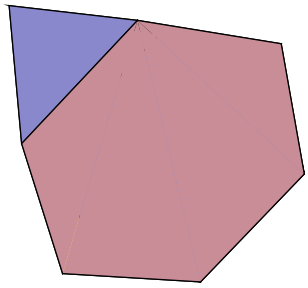
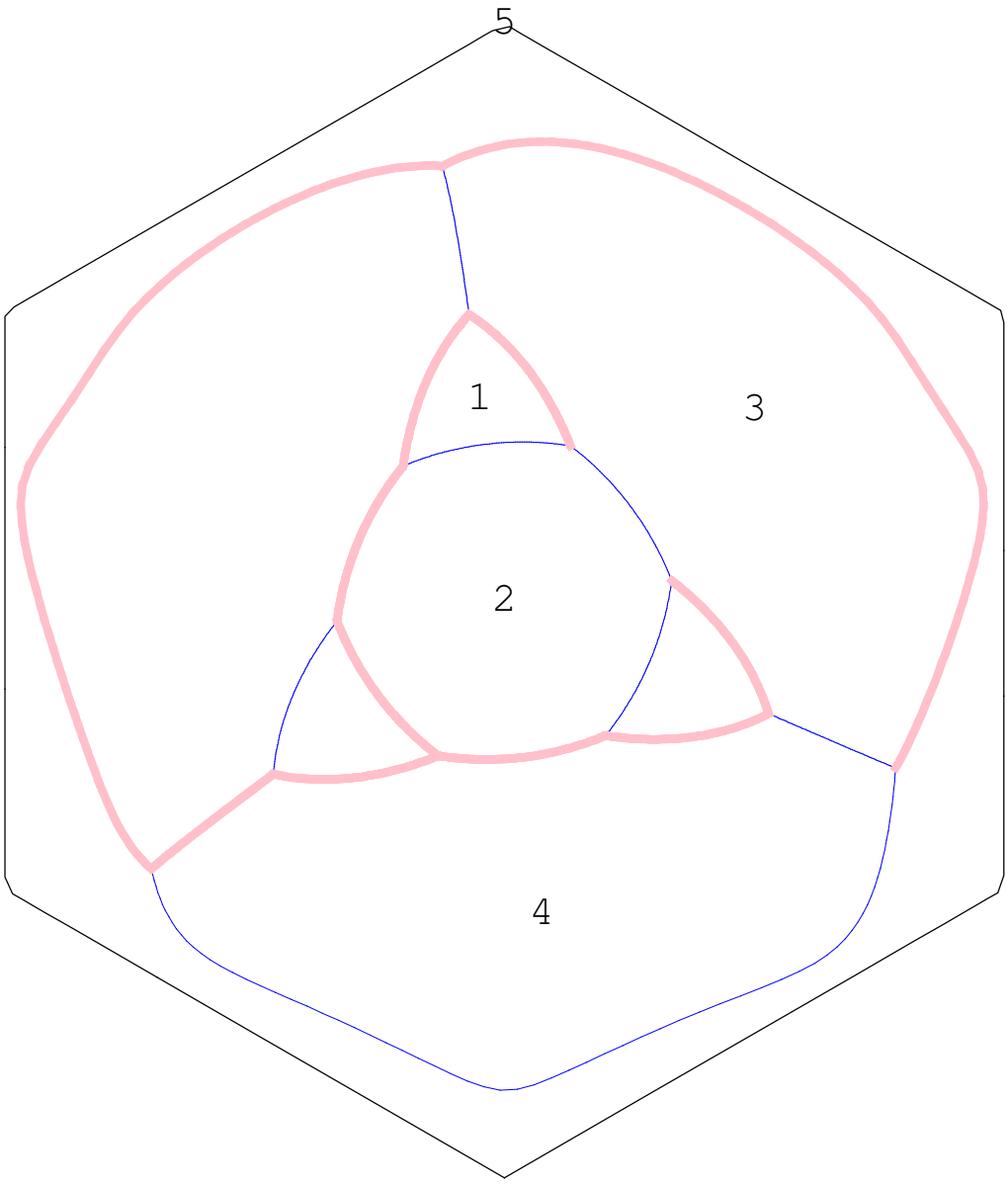
`truncated tetrahedron` {6, 6, 3}







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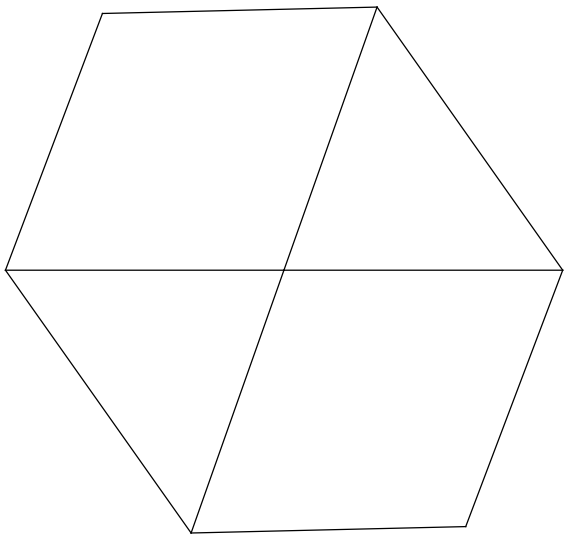

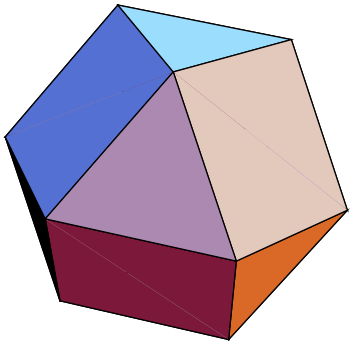

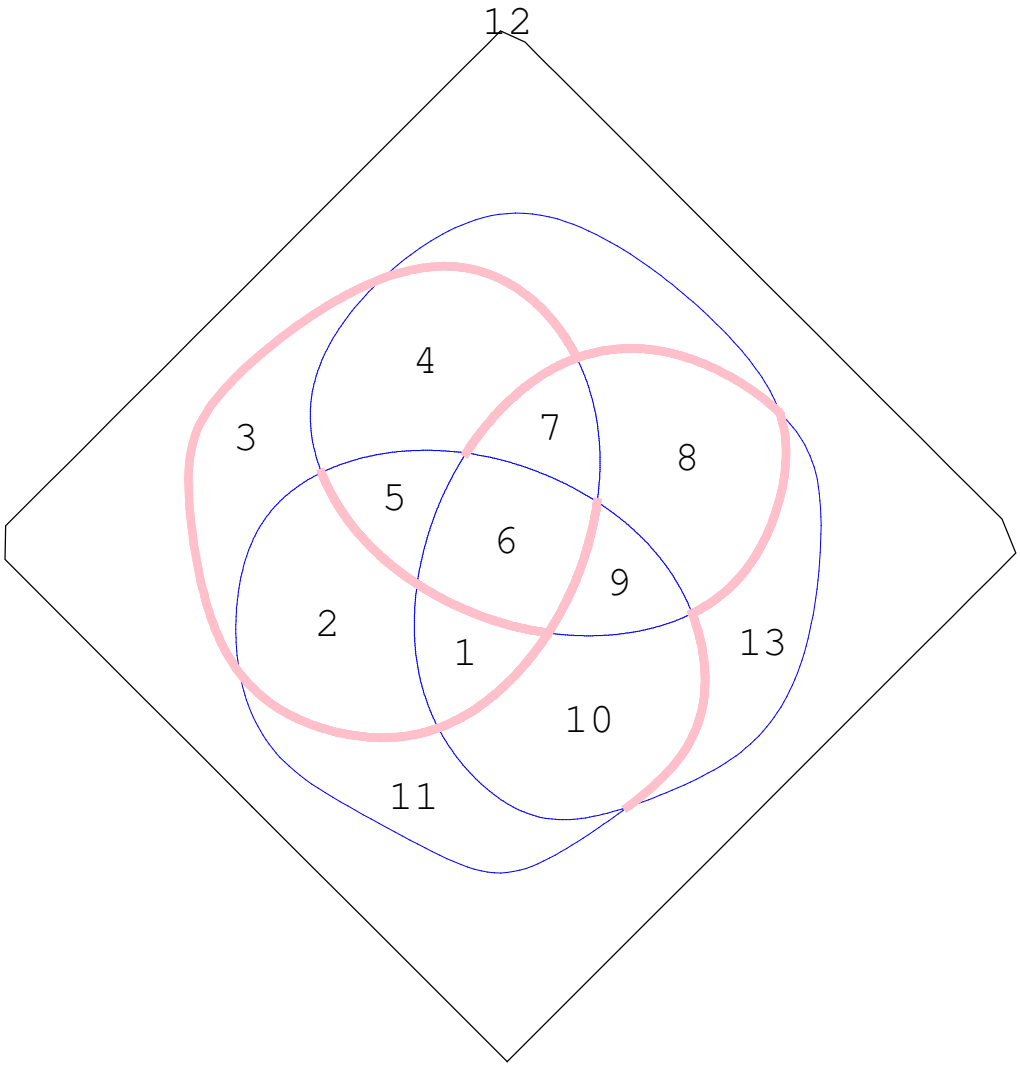

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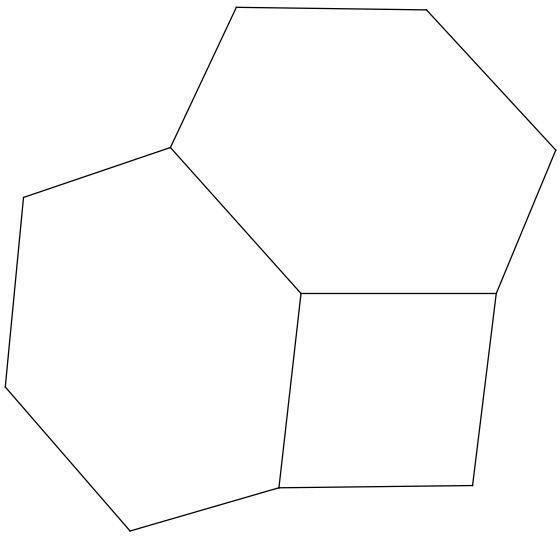

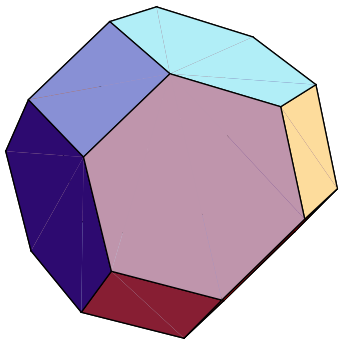

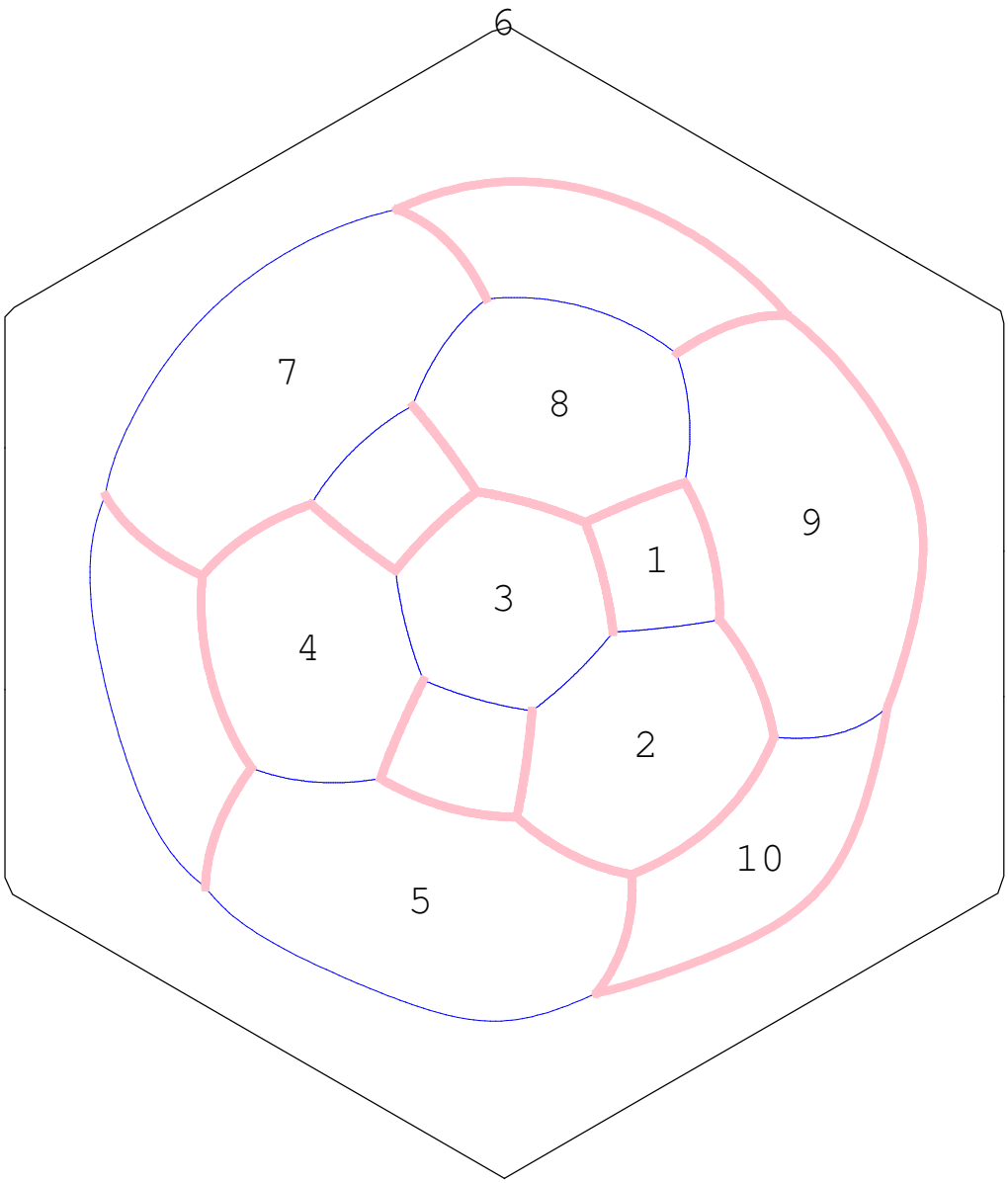

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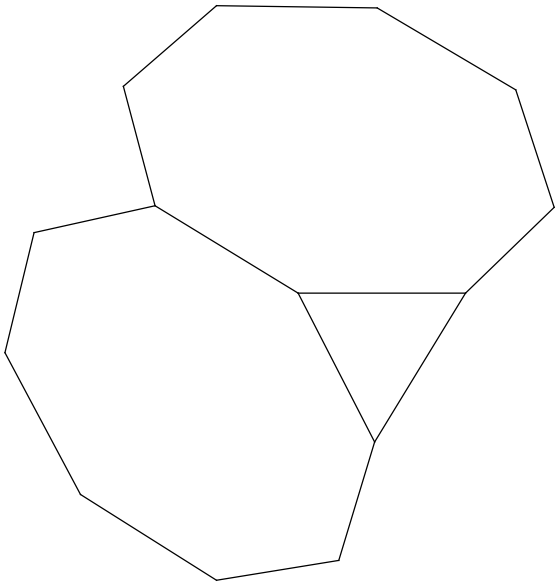

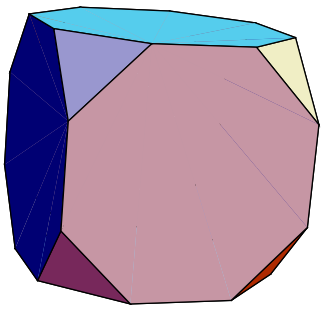

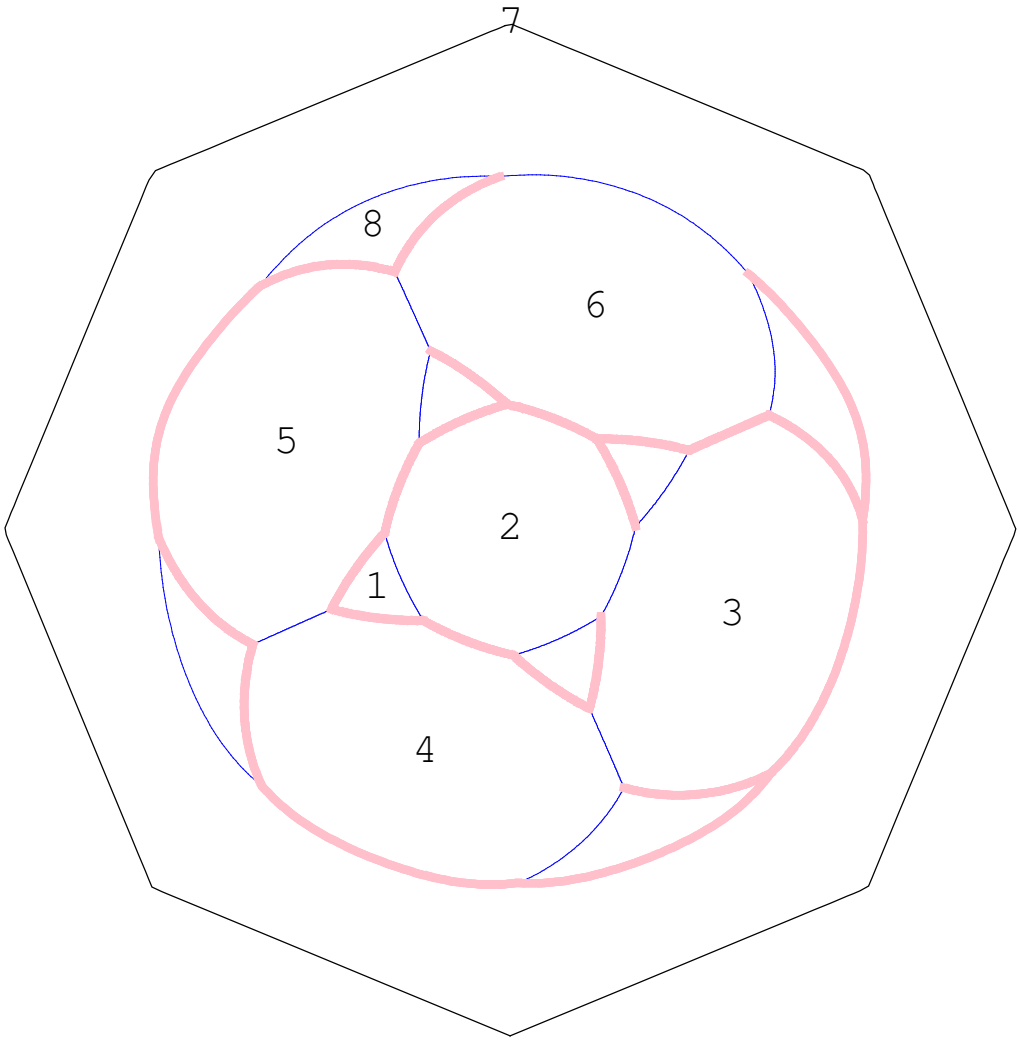

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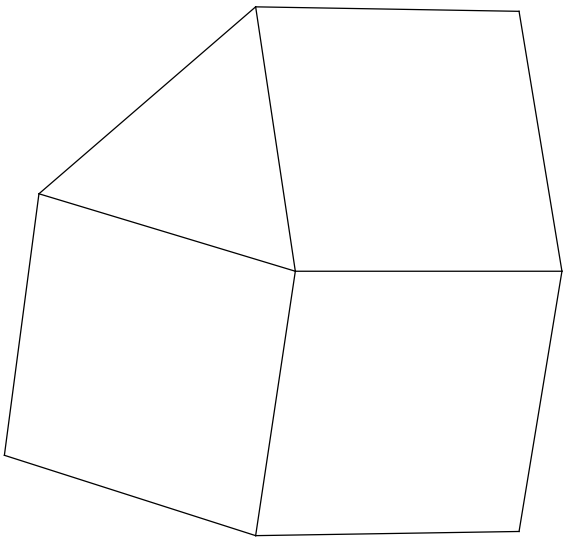

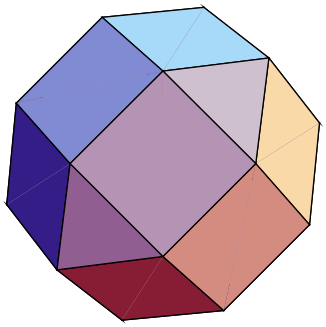

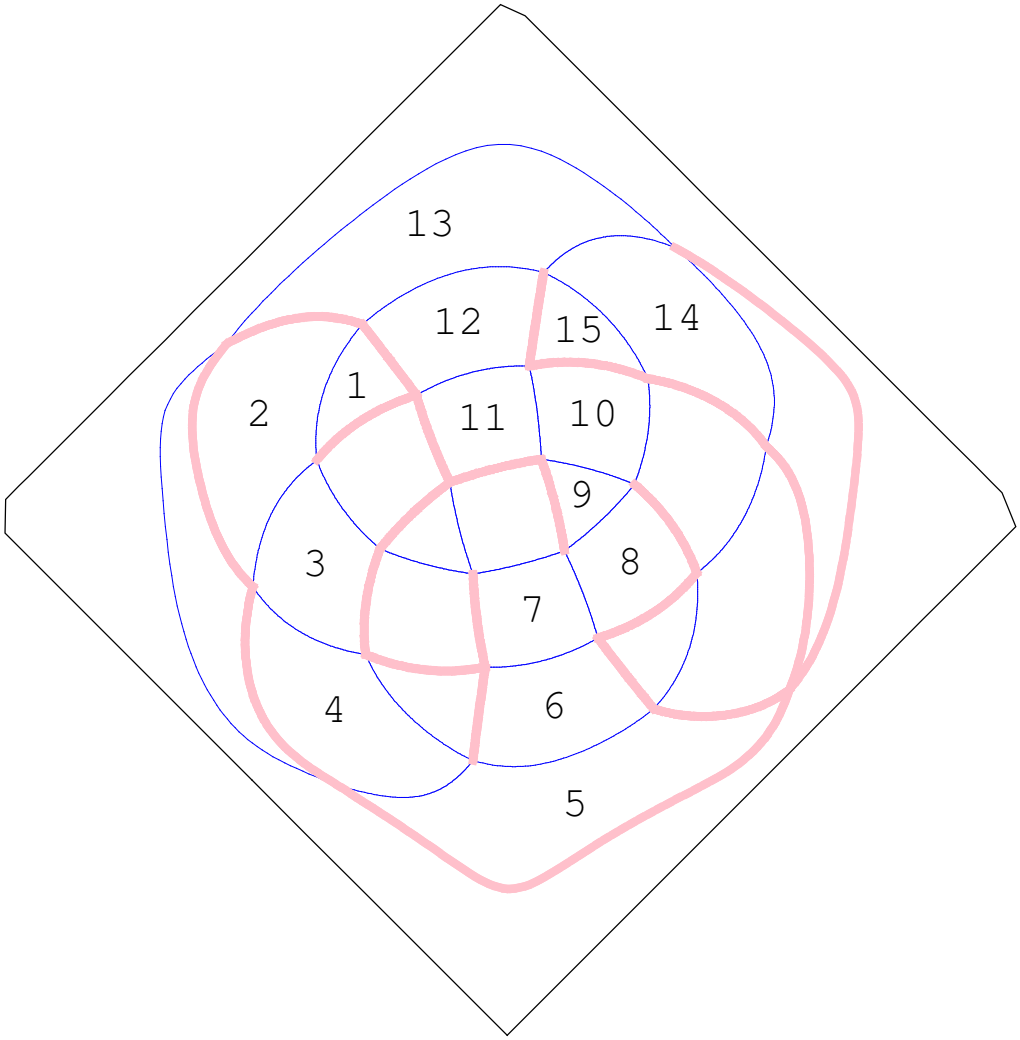

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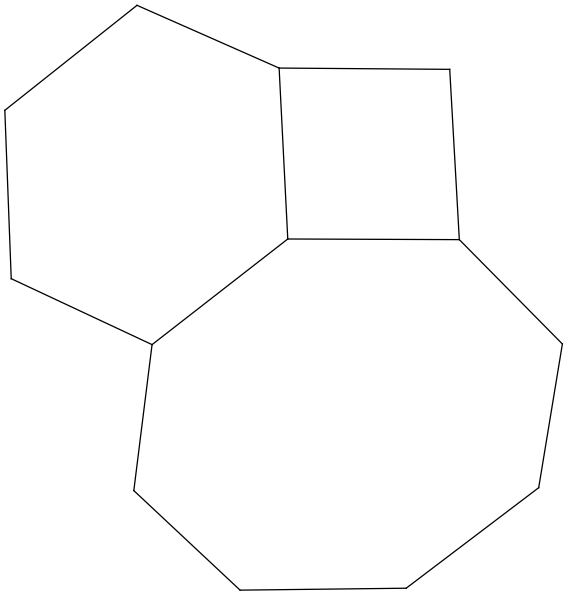

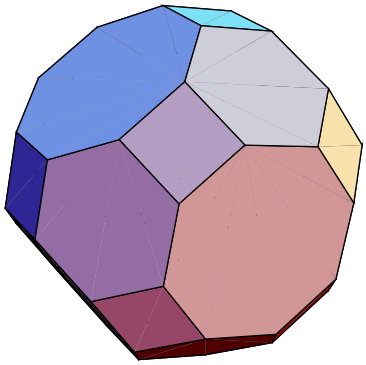

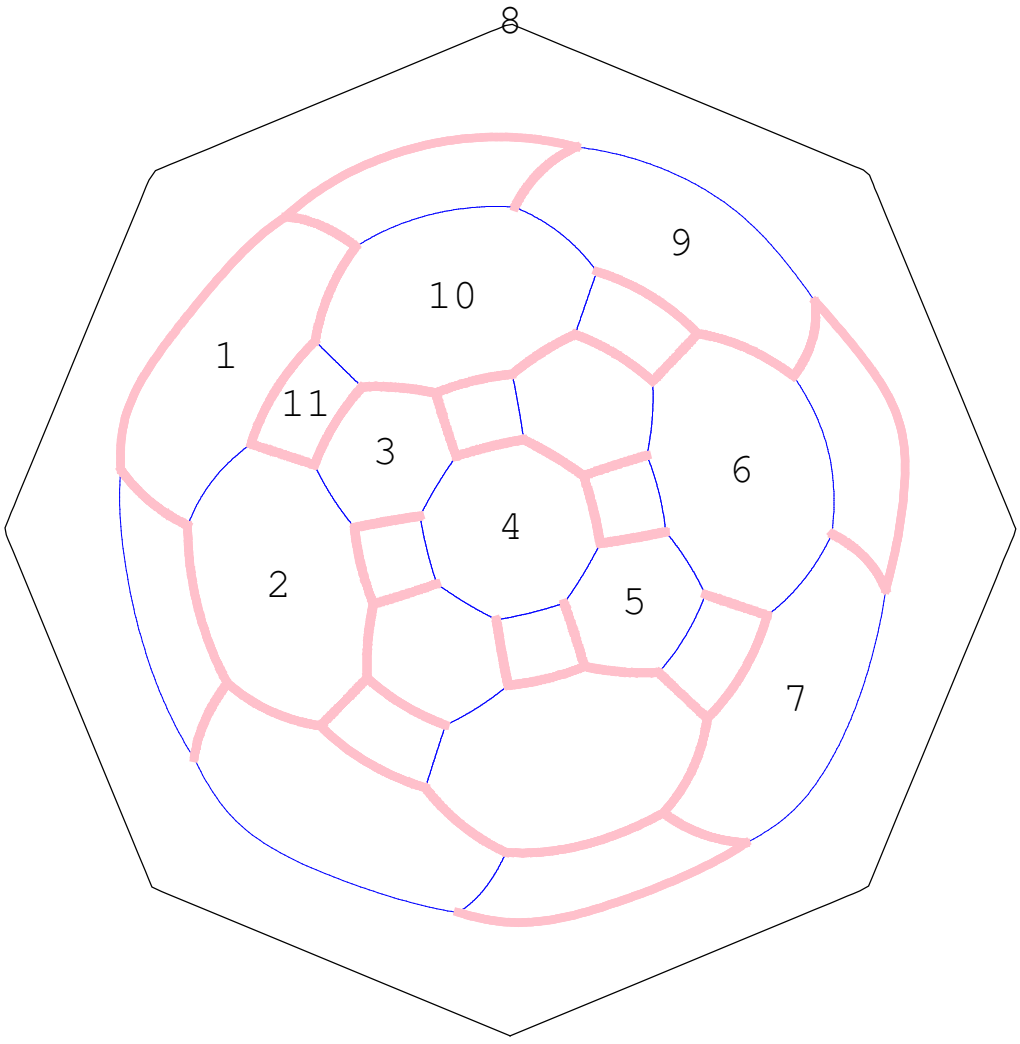

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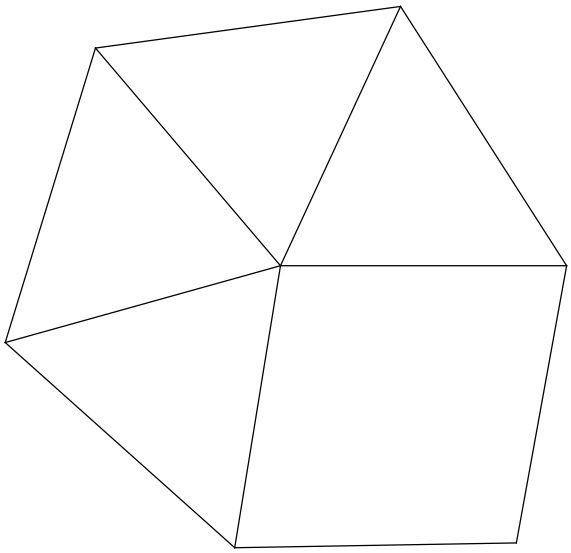

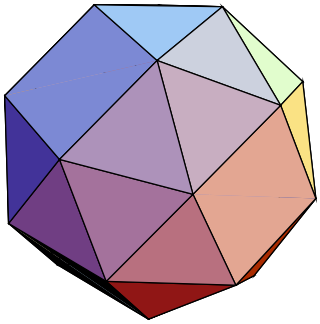

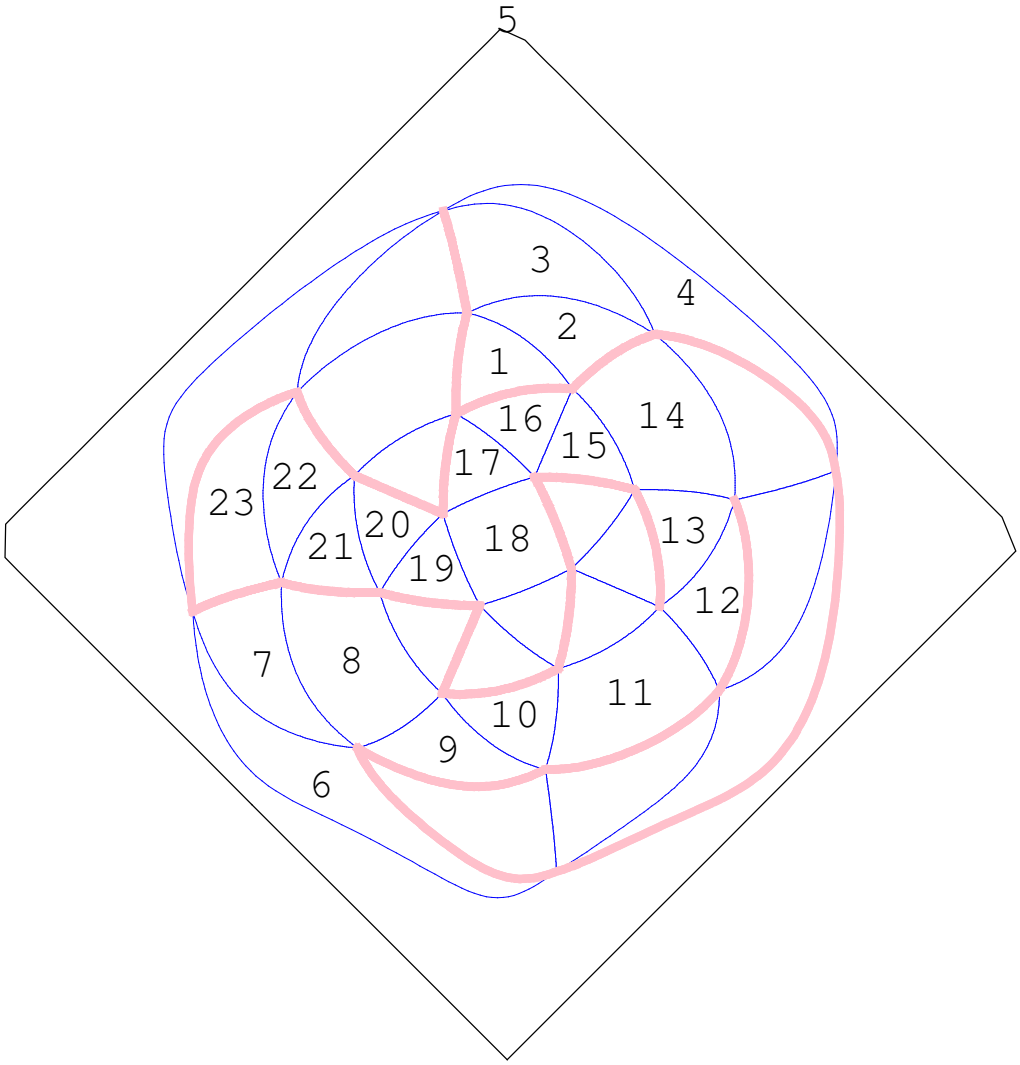

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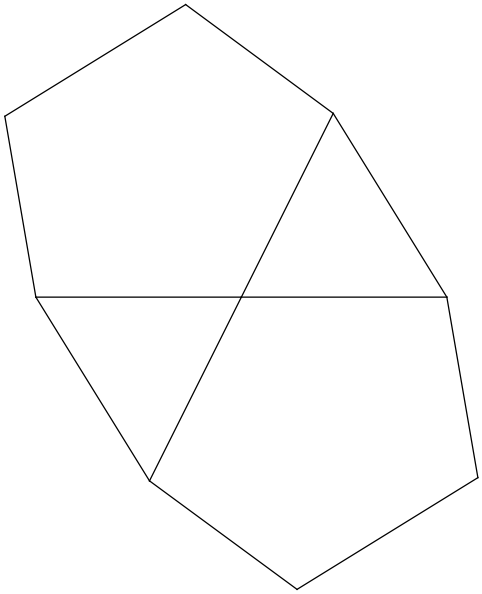
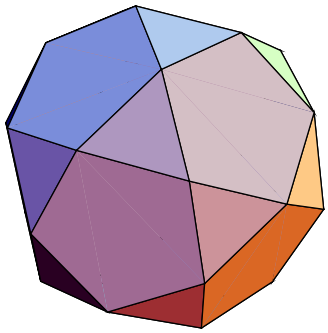
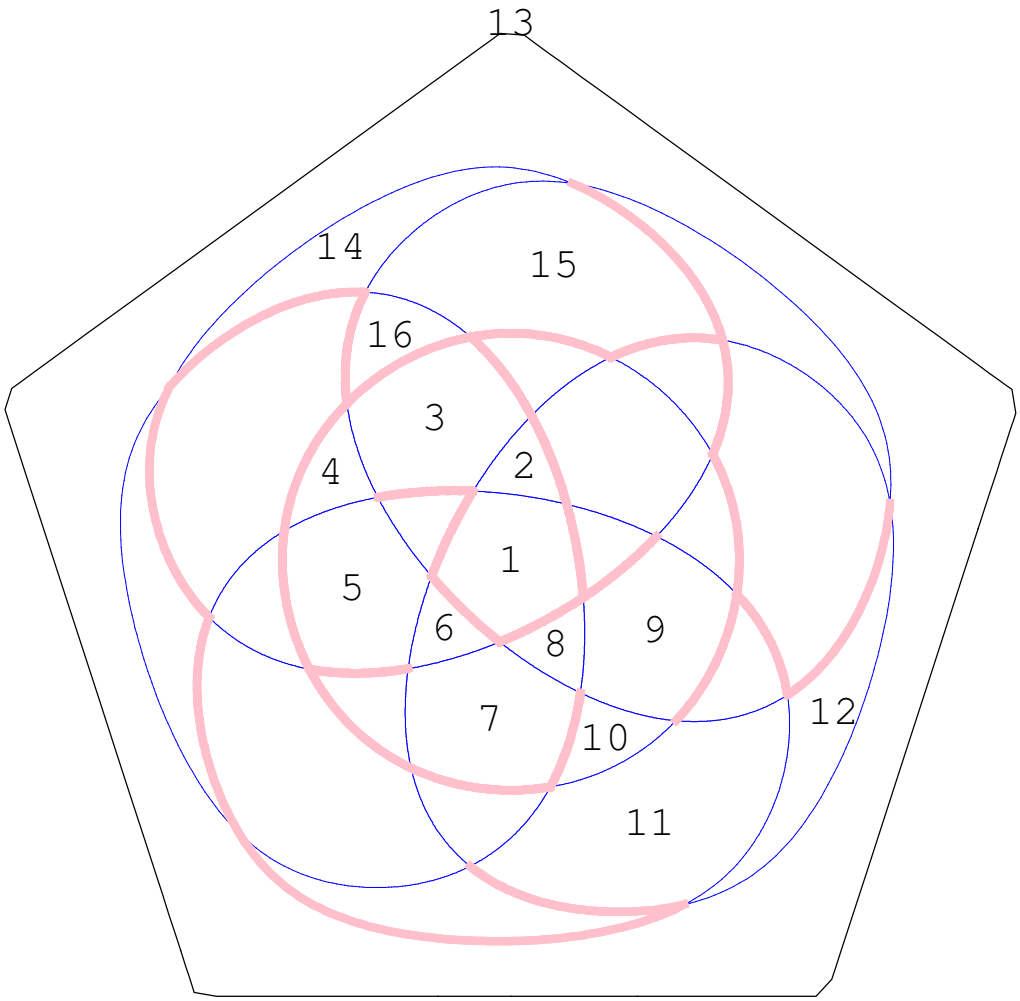
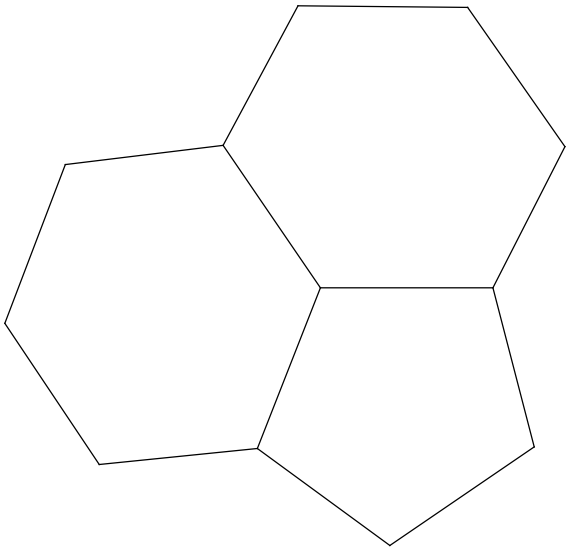


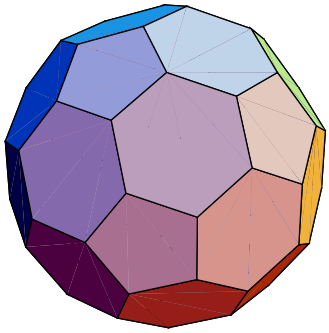


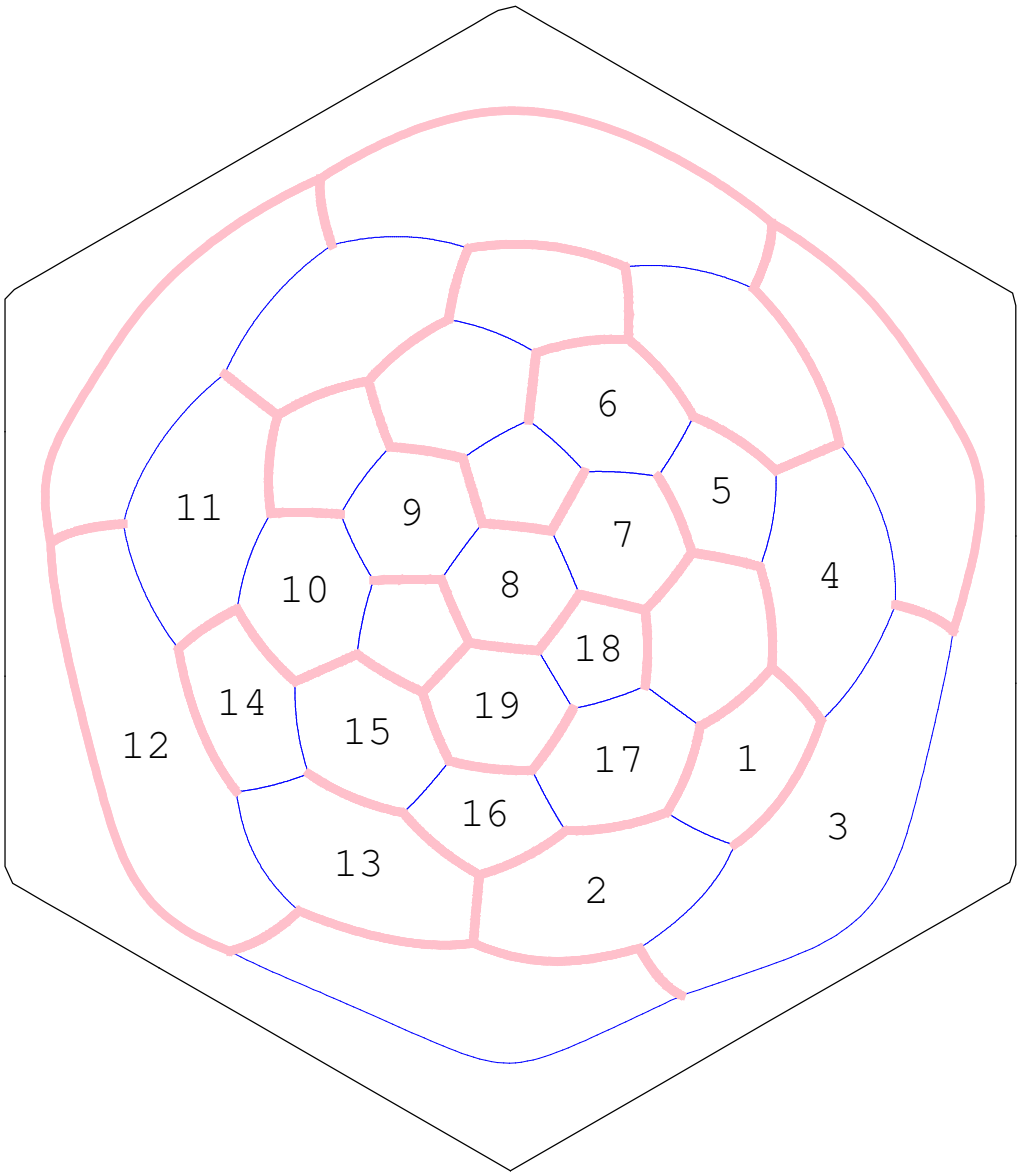


16.

`truncated icosahedron` {6, 6, 5}







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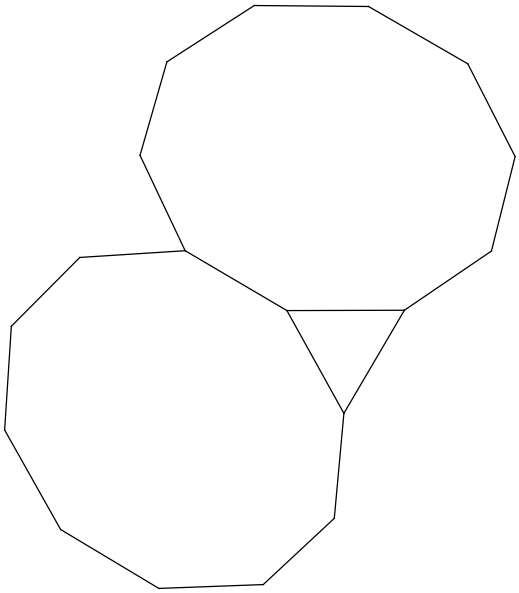
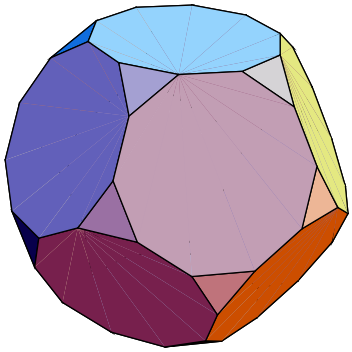
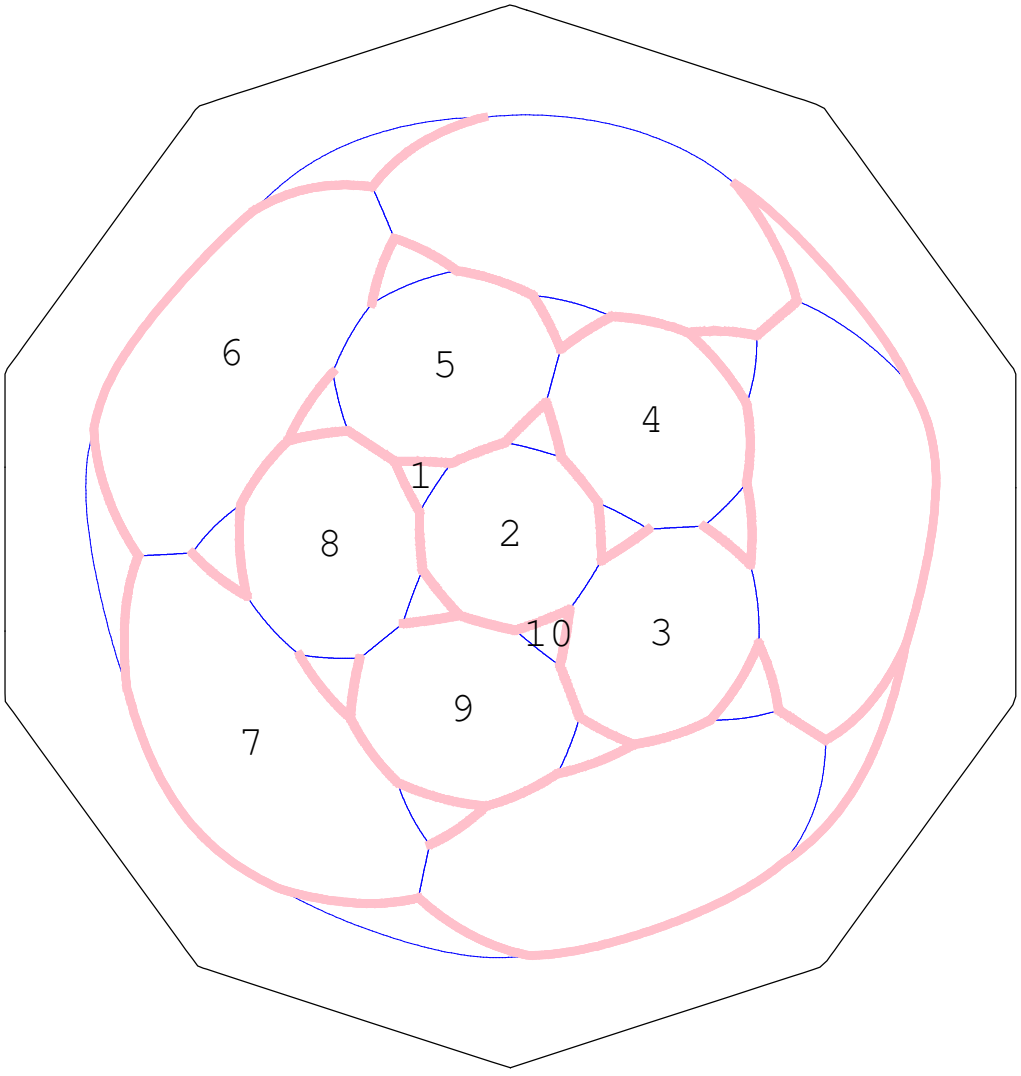
`truncated dodecahedron` {10, 10, 3}

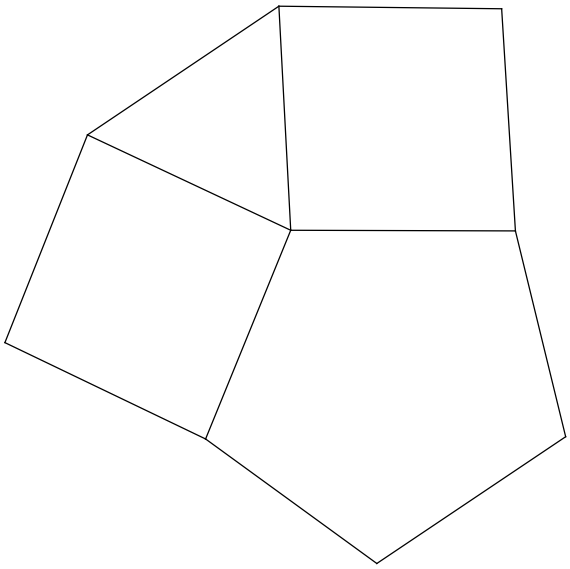


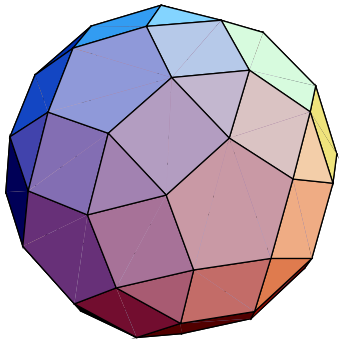


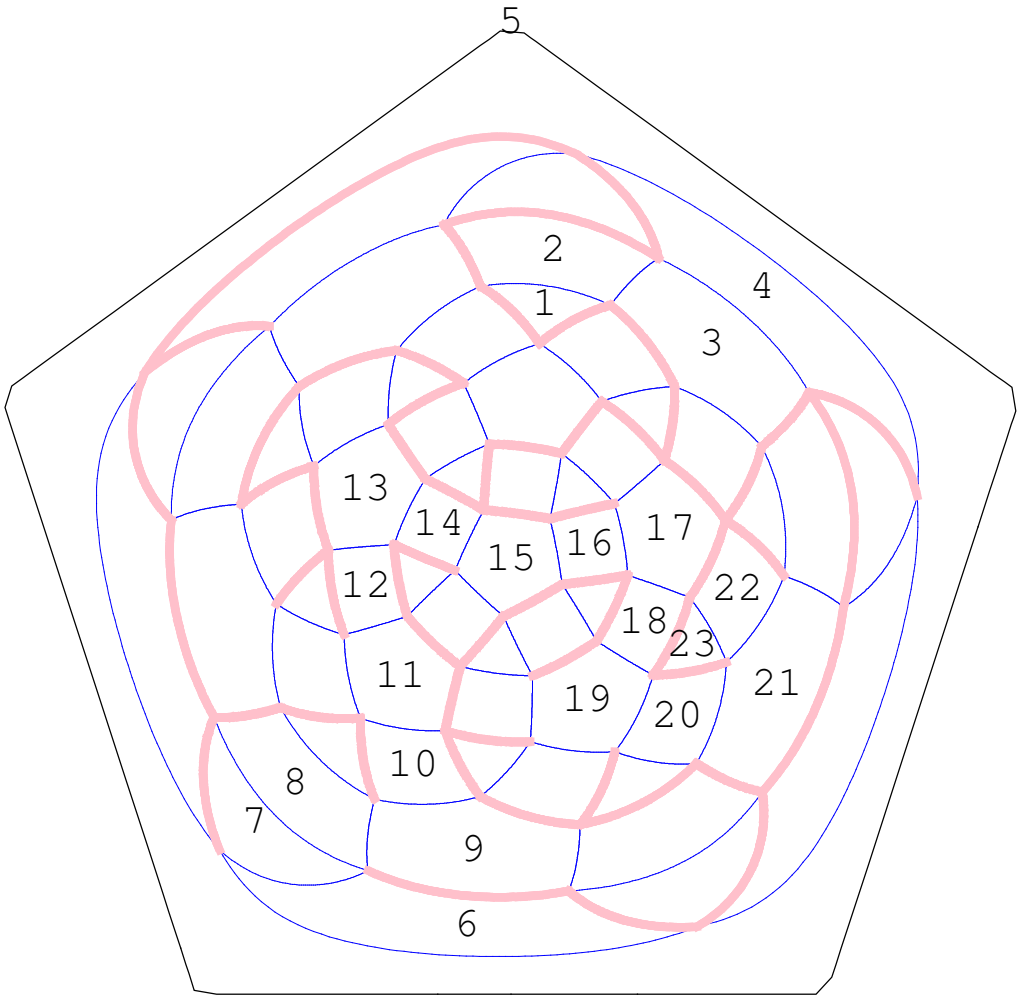


18.

`rhombicosidodecahedron` {4, 3, 4, 5}







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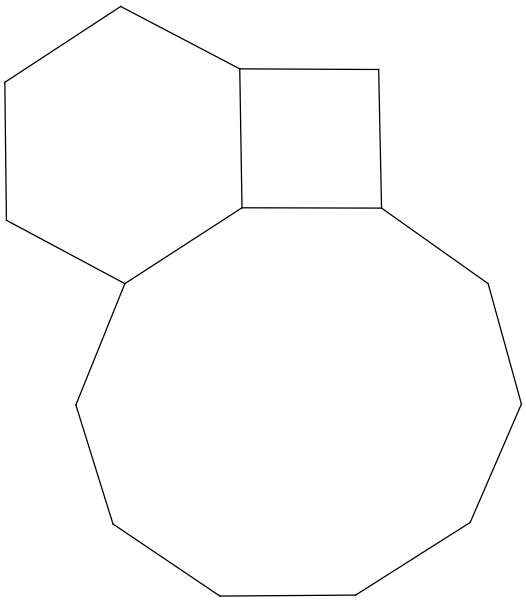

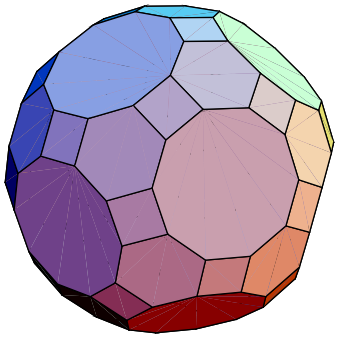

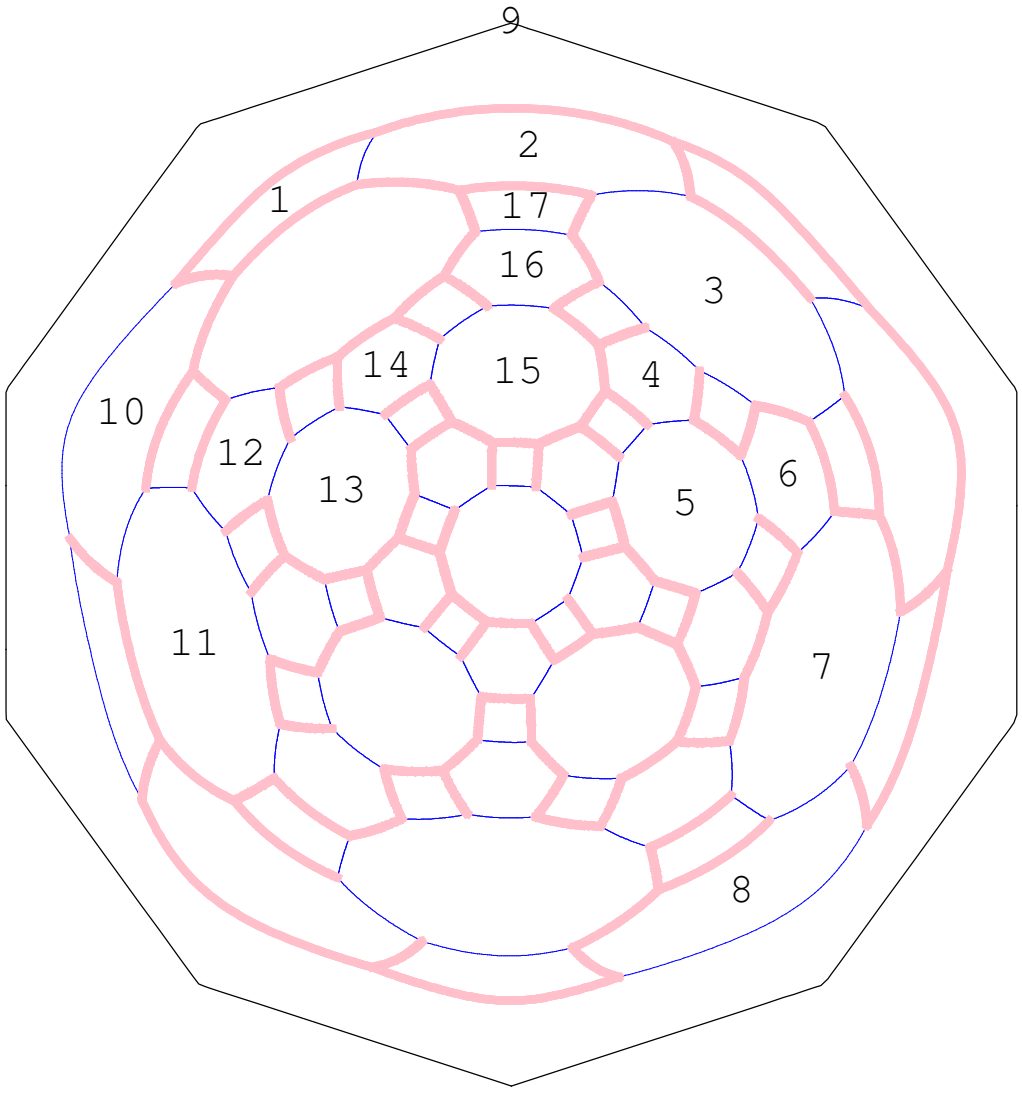

20.

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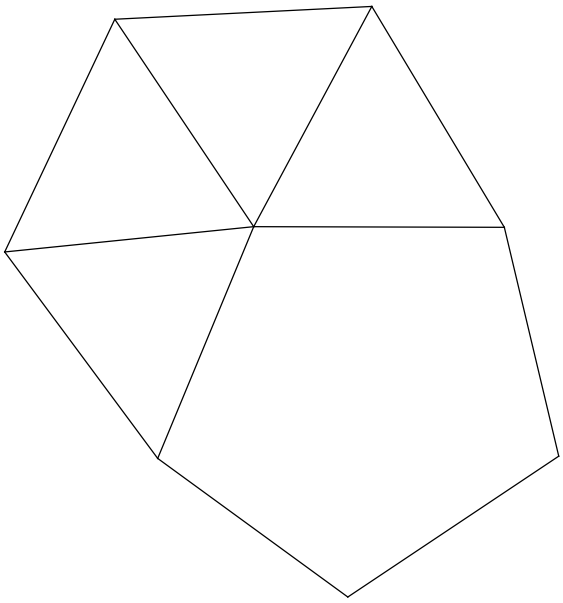
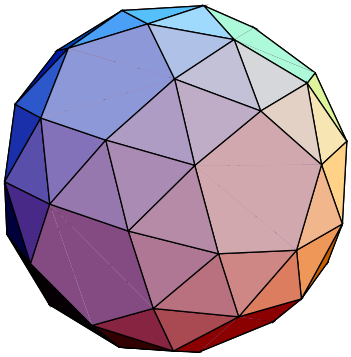
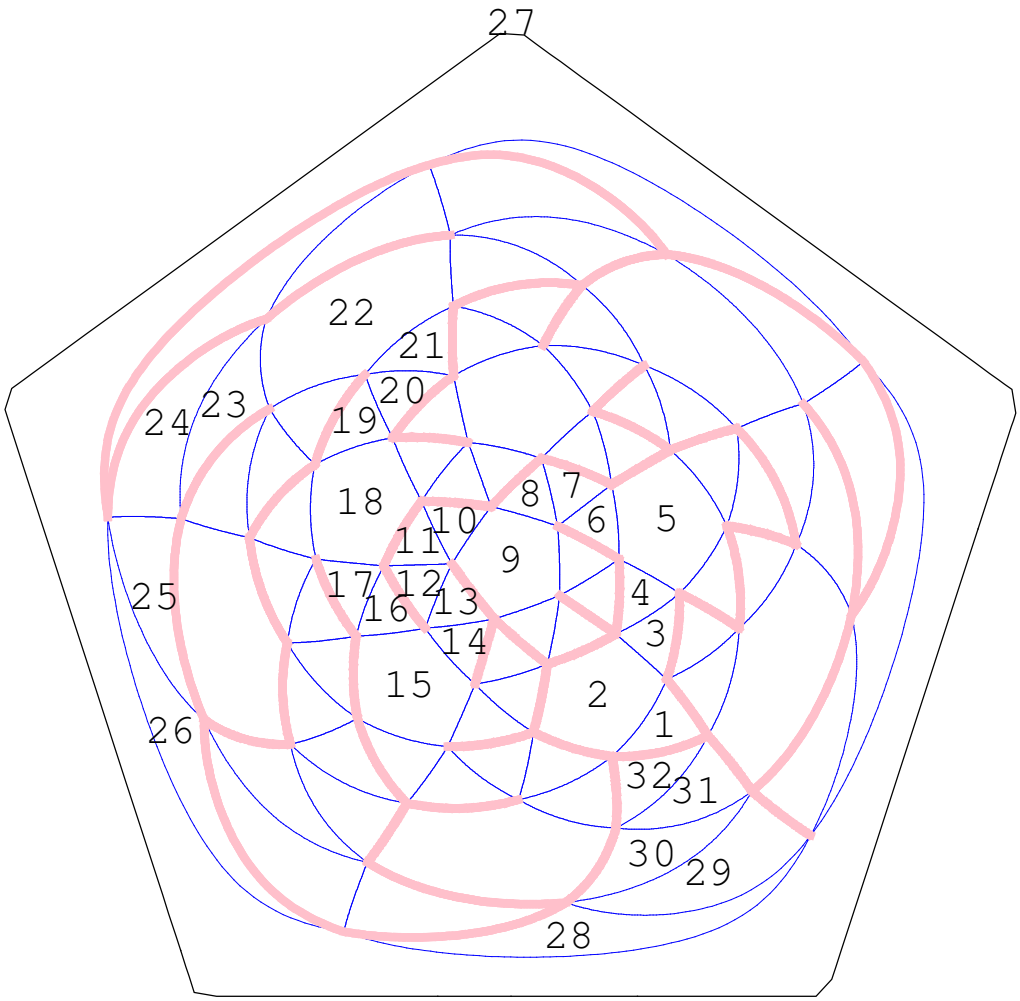
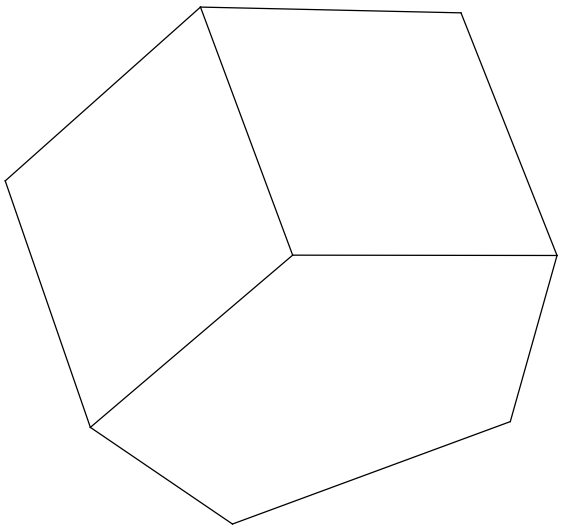


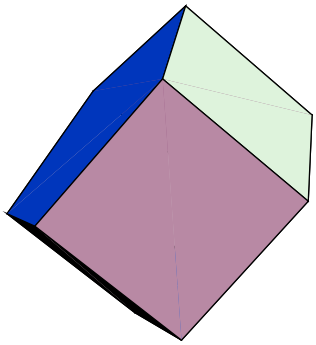


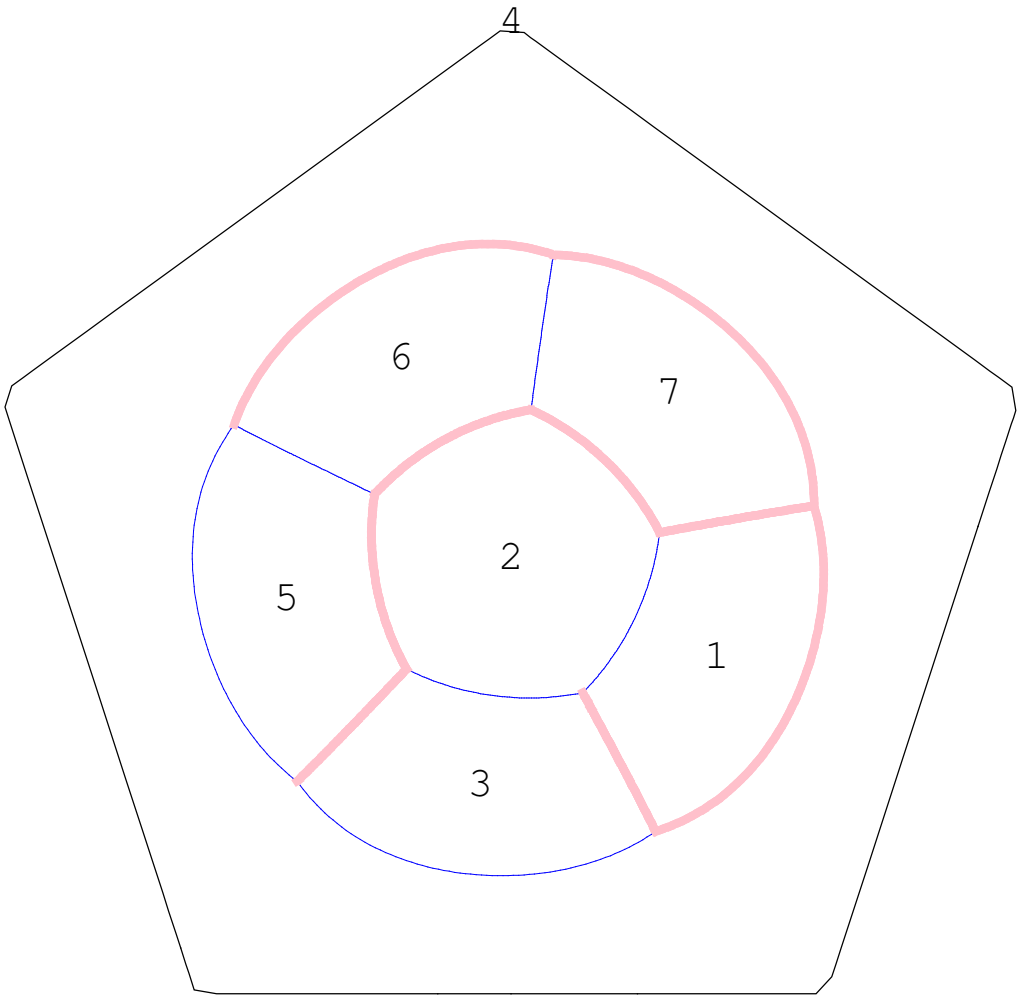


21.

`pentagonal prism` {4, 4, 5}







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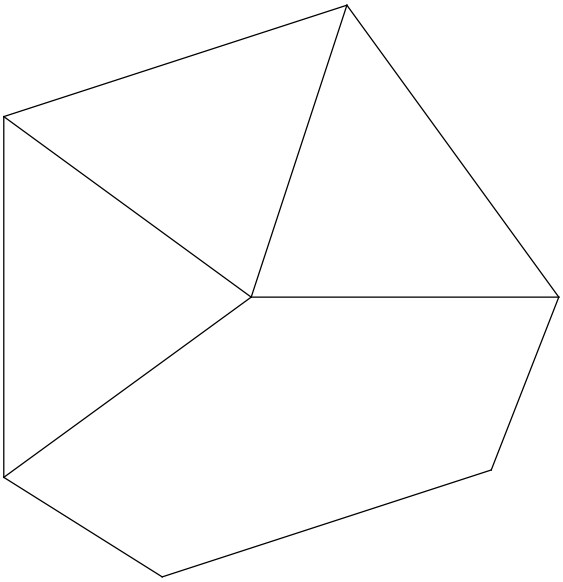
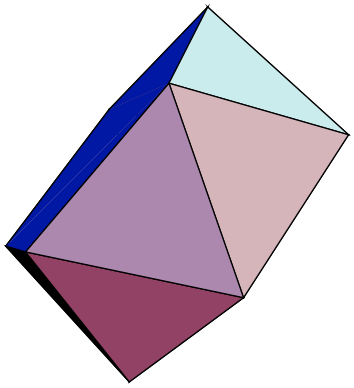
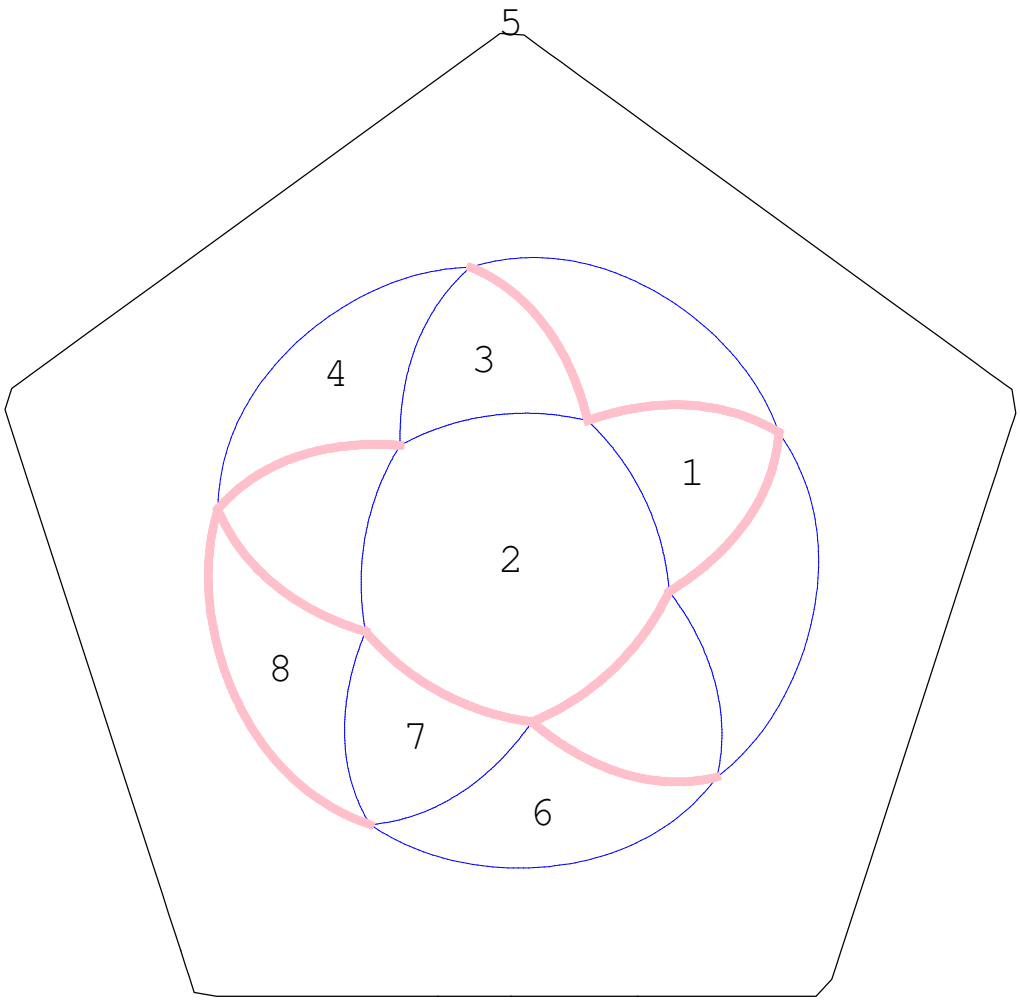
`pentagonal antiprism` {3, 3, 3, 5}

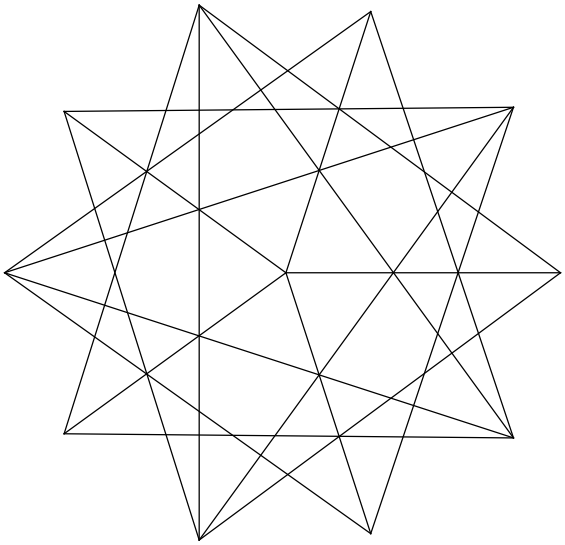


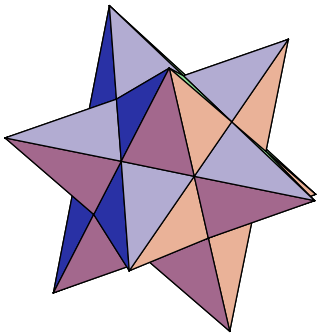


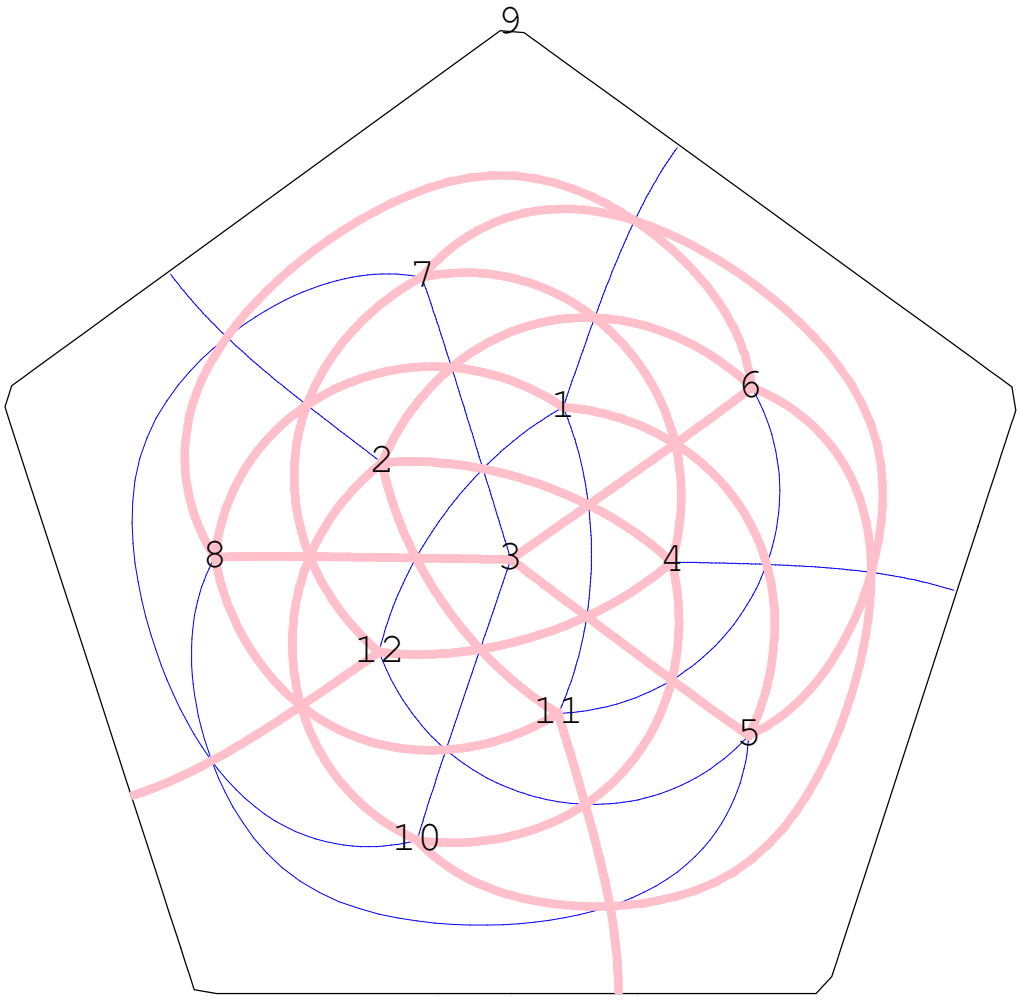


23.

small stellated dodecahedron $\{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\}$

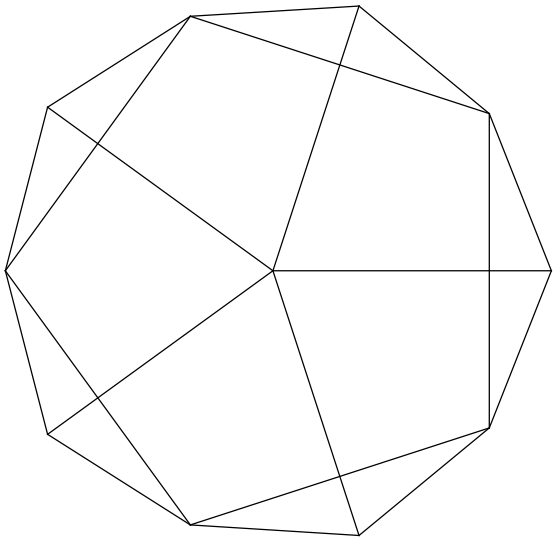


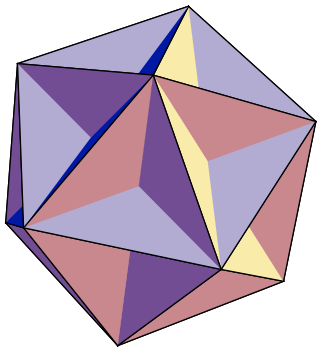


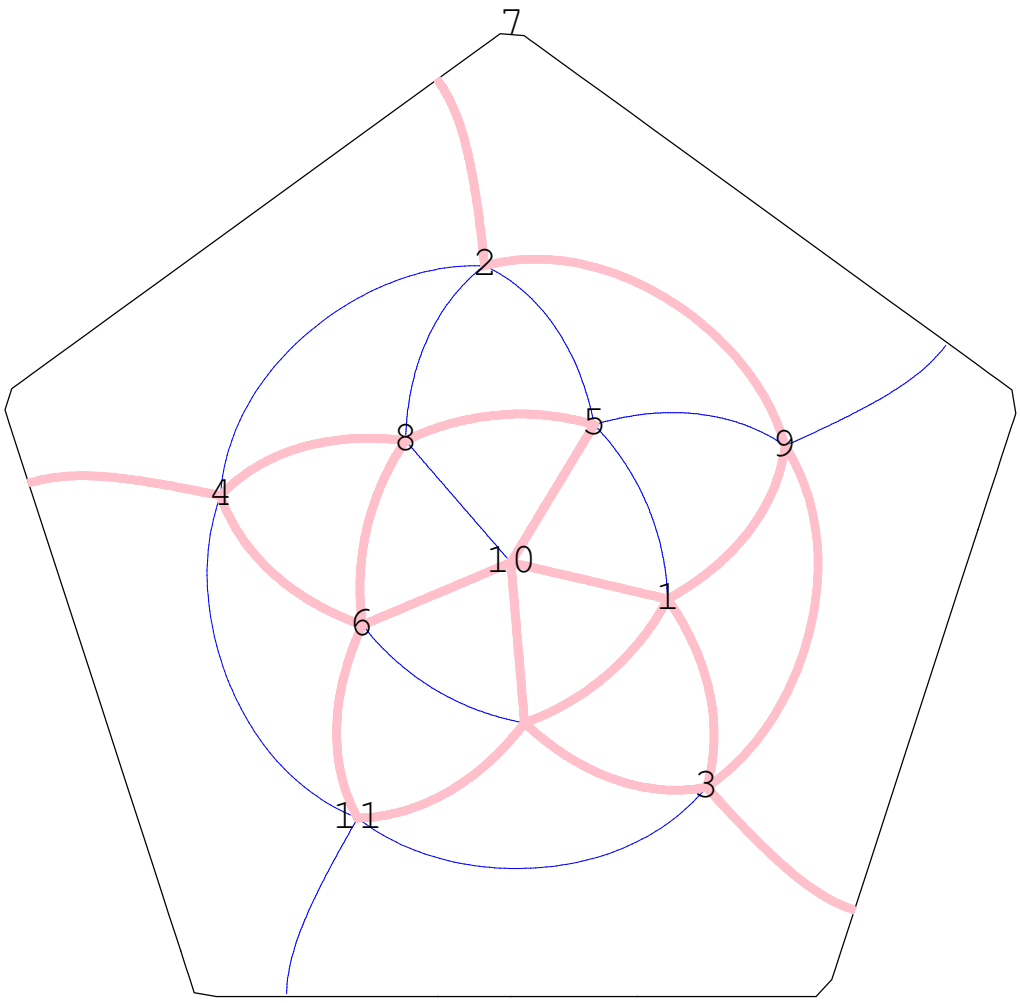


24.

great dodecahedron $\frac{1}{2}\{5, 5, 5, 5, 5\}$

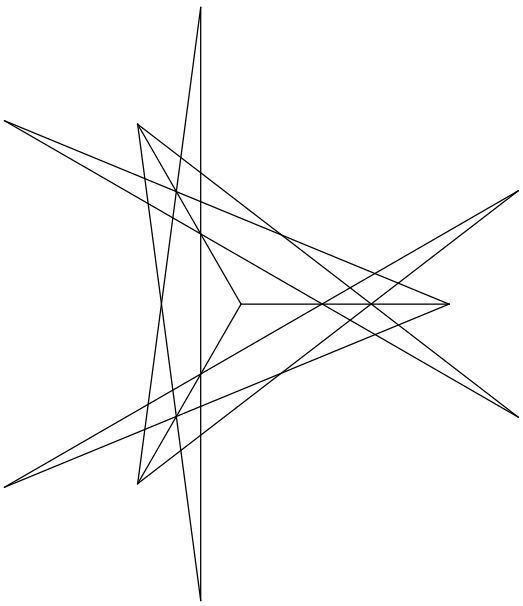


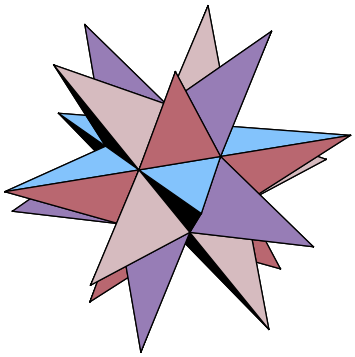


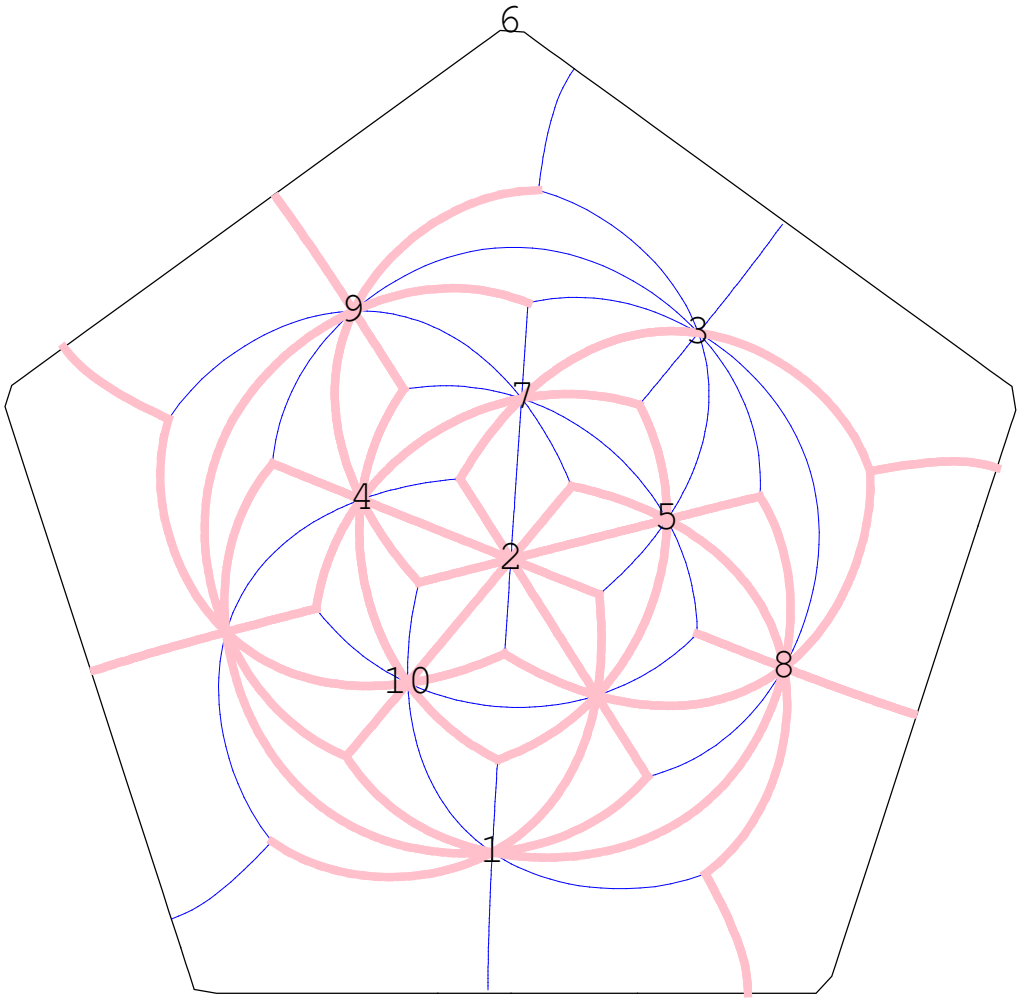


25.

great stellated dodecahedron $\{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\}$

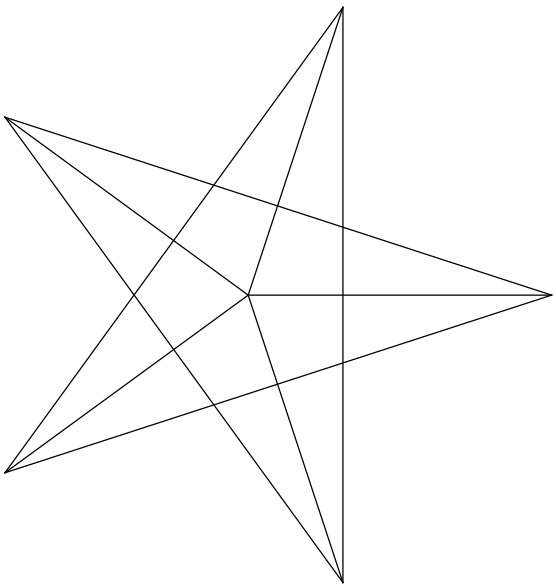


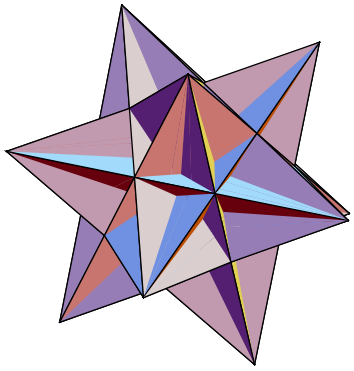


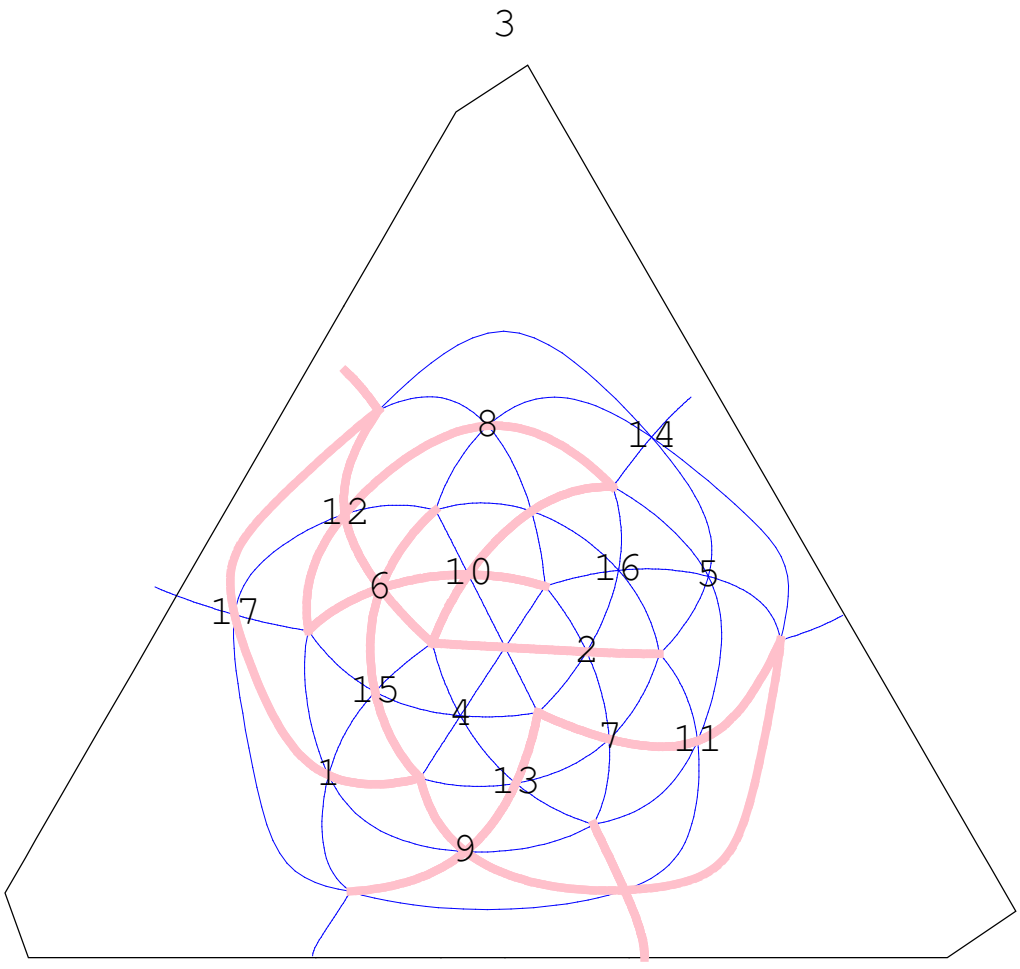


26.

great icosahedron $\frac{1}{2}\{3, 3, 3, 3, 3\}$







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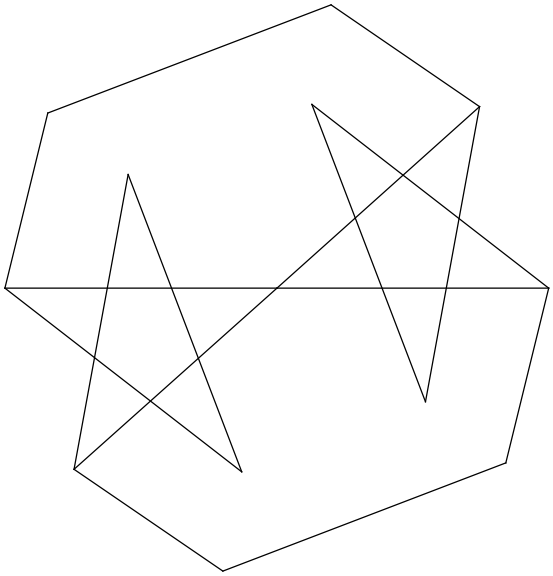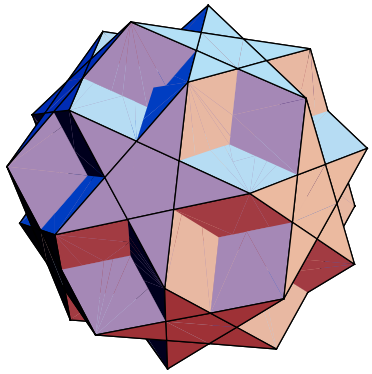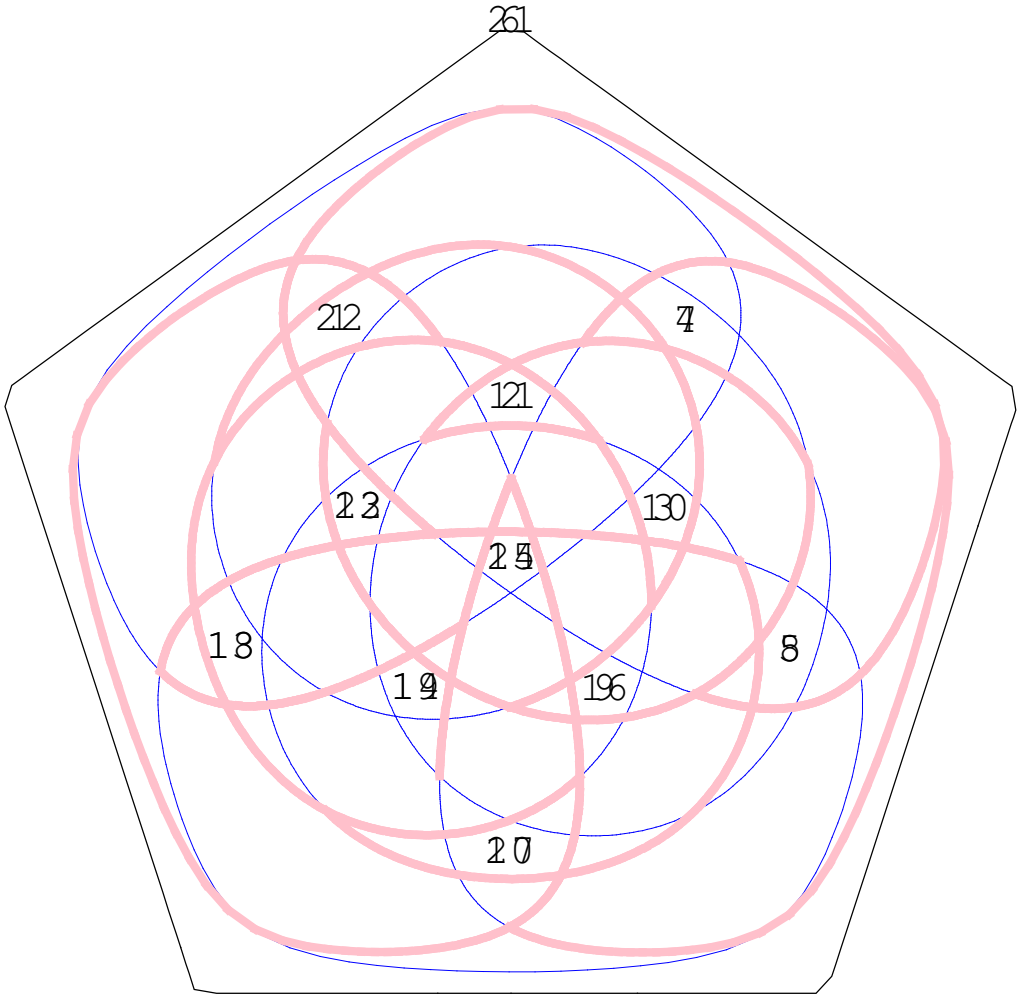
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