

# Variations on the theme of higher-dimensional designs<sup>\*</sup>

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Brief survey of known results, alternative definitions, **open problems** and **research directions**...

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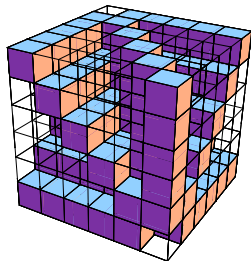
**Question:** Are there examples with inequivalent 2-dimensional slices?

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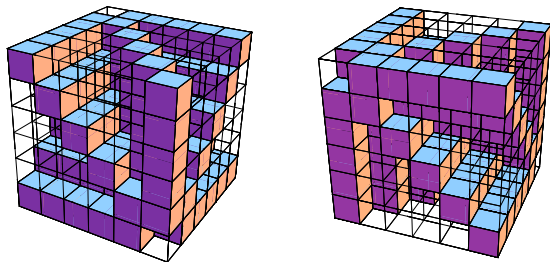
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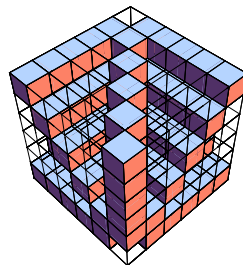
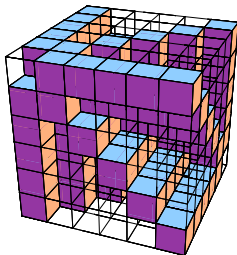
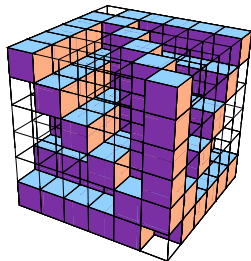
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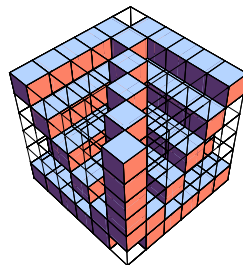
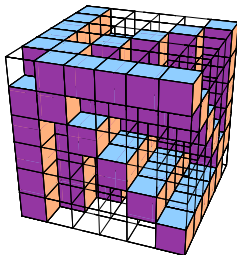
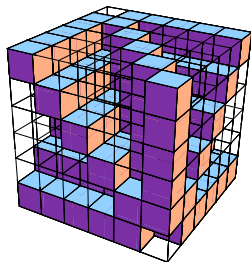
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**Questions:** (from Y. X. Yang's book)

- 1 Prove or disprove the existence of 3-dimensional Hadamard matrices of orders  $4k + 2 \neq 2 \cdot 3^m$ .
- 2 Construct more 3-dimensional Hadamard matrices of orders  $4k + 2$ .

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## VI. FUTURE RESEARCH AND APPLICATIONS

The present exposition suggests a number of unsolved problems and unproven conjectures. Some examples follow.

- a) The algebraic approach to the derivation of two-dimensional Hadamard matrices [2]–[7] suggests that a similar procedure may be feasible for three- or higher dimensional matrices.

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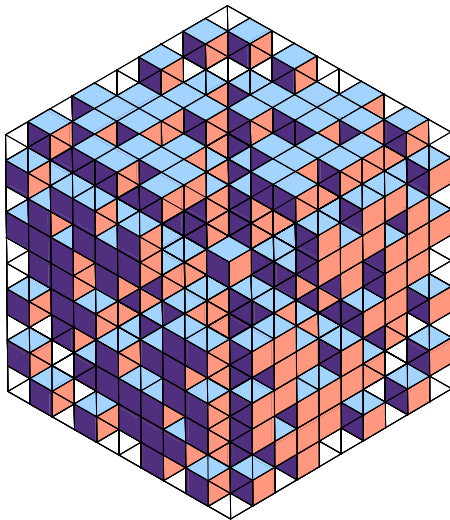
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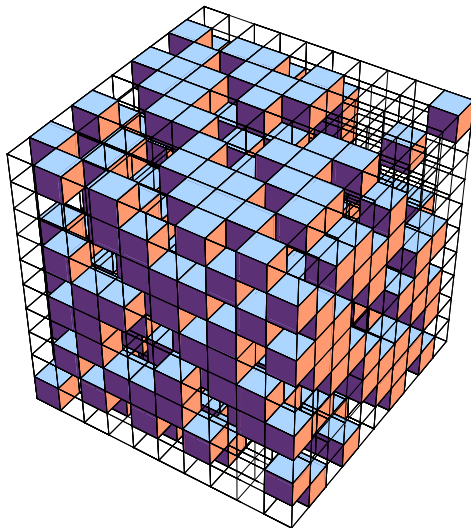
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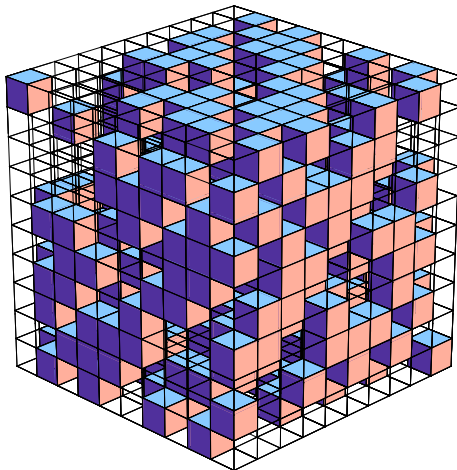
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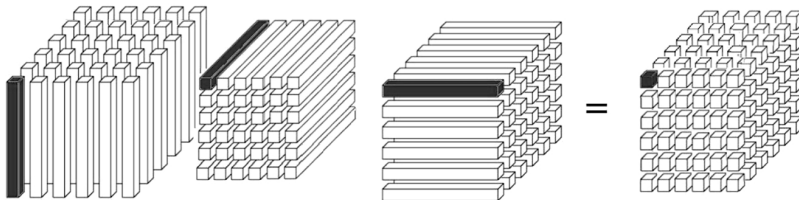
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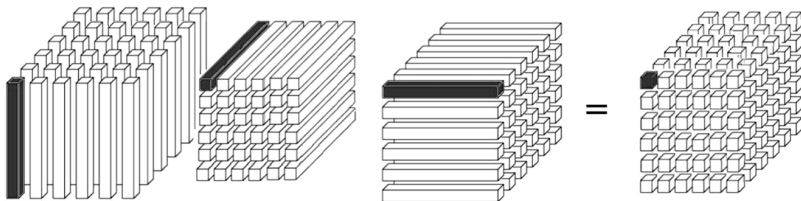
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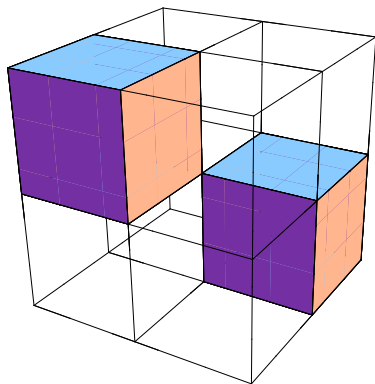
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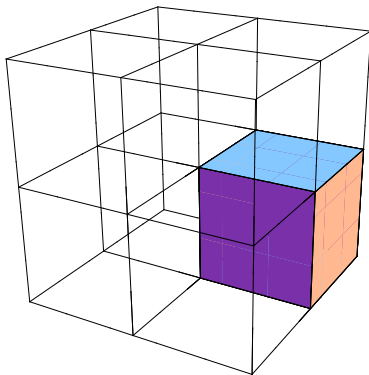


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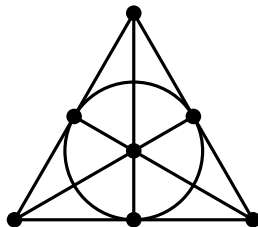
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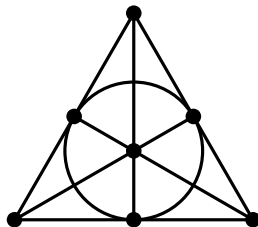


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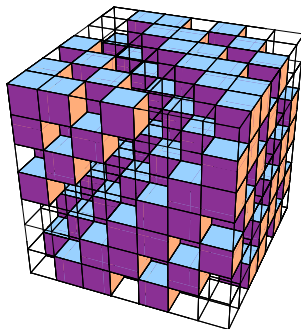
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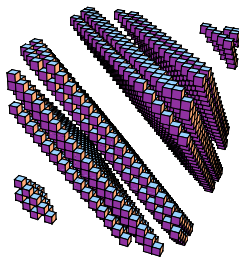
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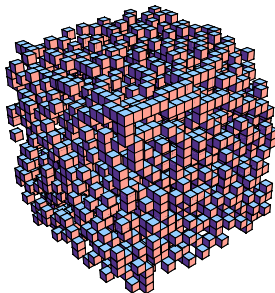
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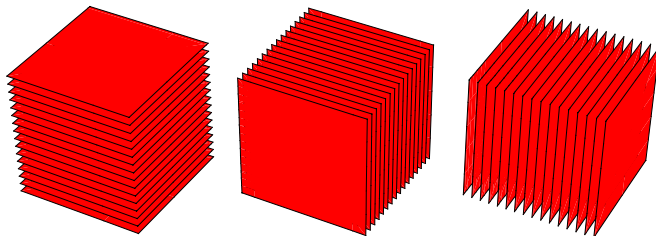
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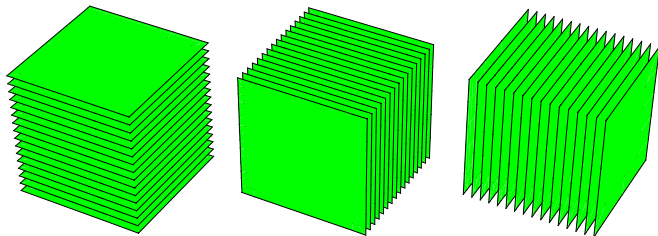
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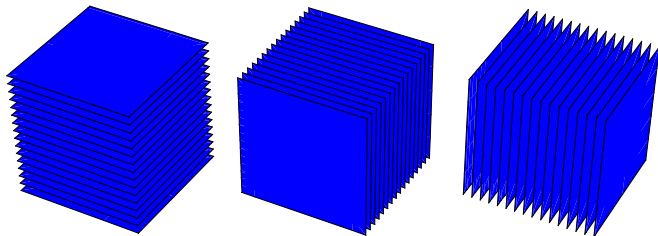
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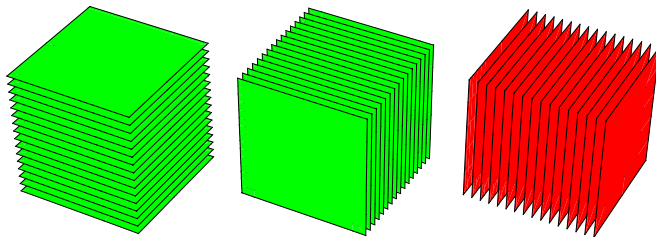
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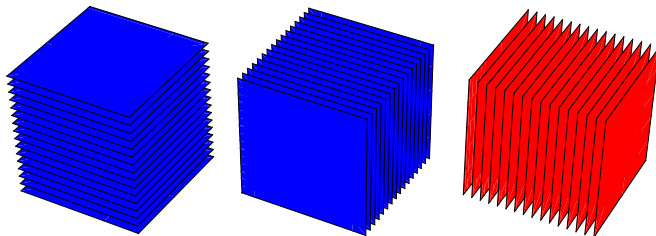
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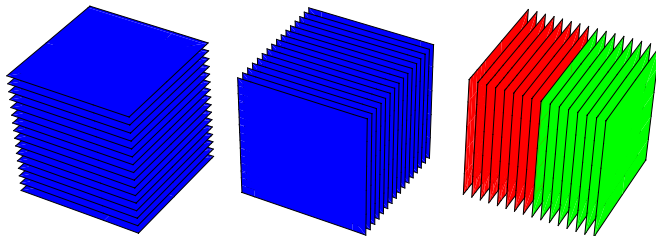
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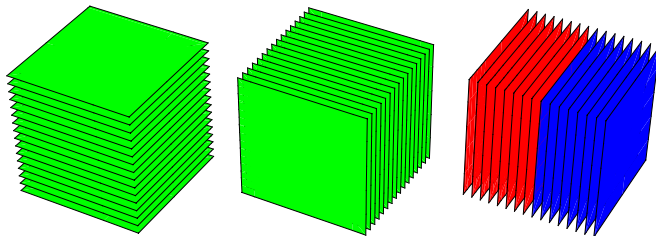
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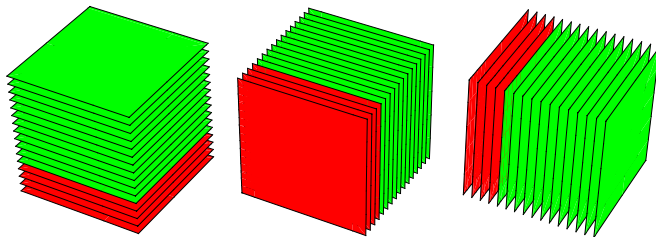
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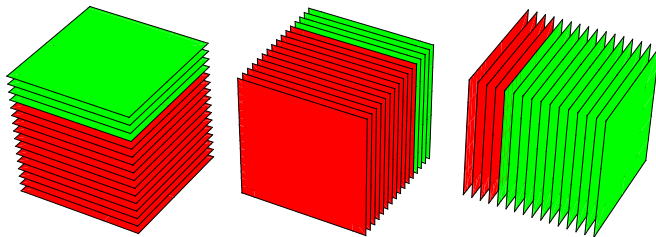
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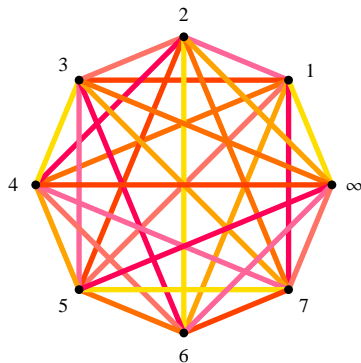
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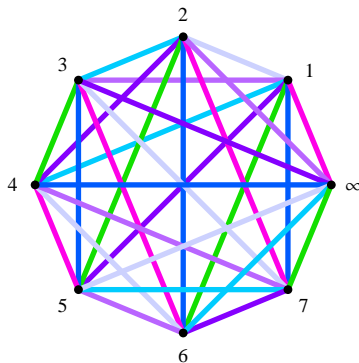
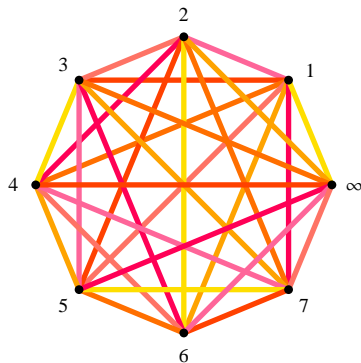
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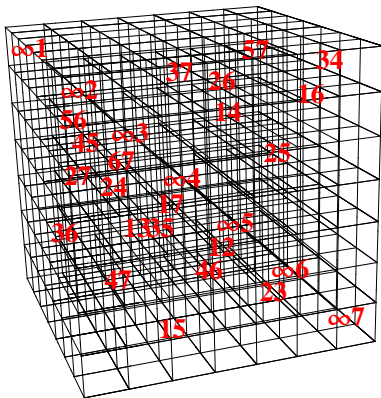
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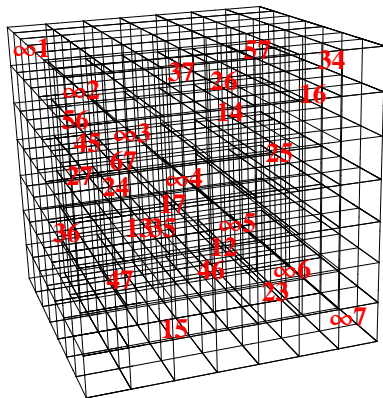
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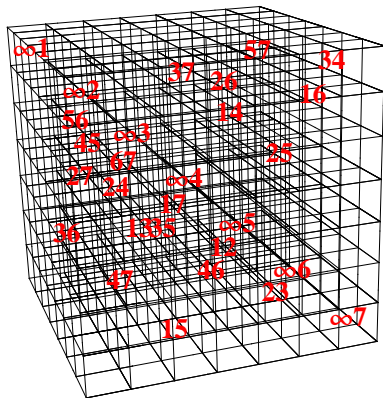


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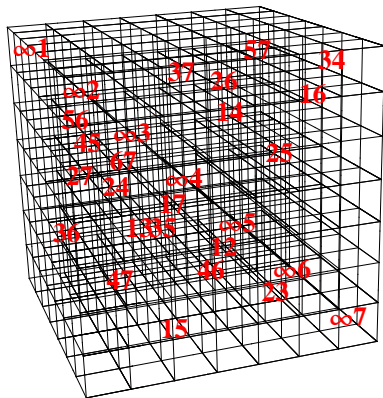
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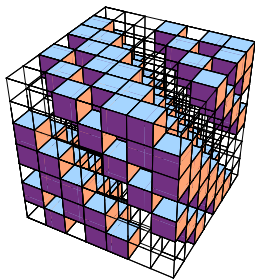
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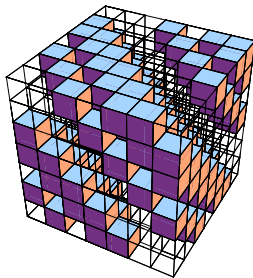
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**Conjecture** (W. D. Wallis):  $\mu(v) \leq \frac{1}{2}(v - 1)$

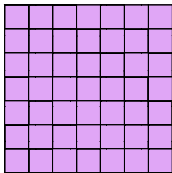
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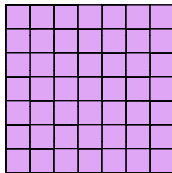
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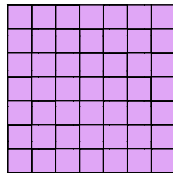
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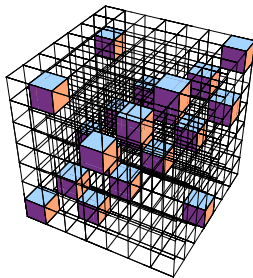
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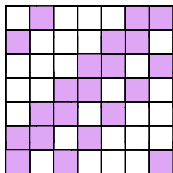
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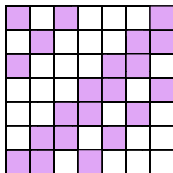
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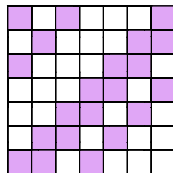
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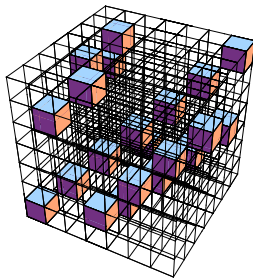


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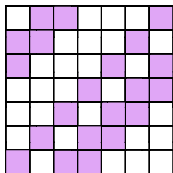




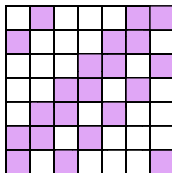
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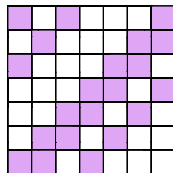
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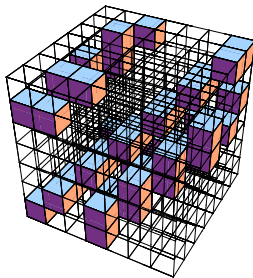
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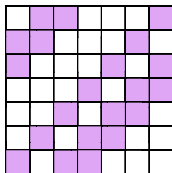
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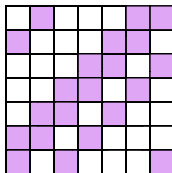
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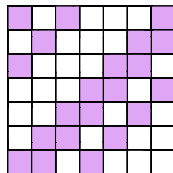
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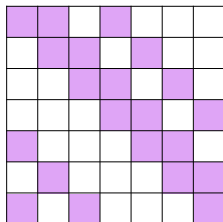
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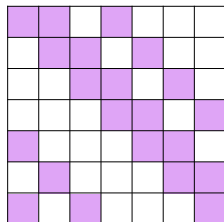
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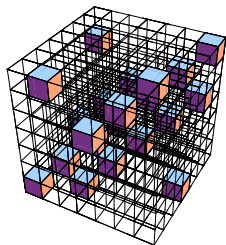
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- $\mu(15, 7, 3) \geq 3$
- $\mu(16, 6, 2) \geq 4$
- $\mu(19, 9, 4) \geq 4$
- $\mu(21, 5, 1) \geq 3$
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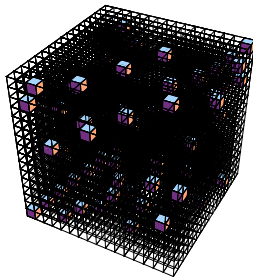
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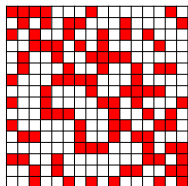
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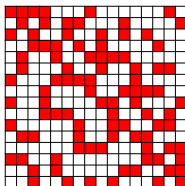
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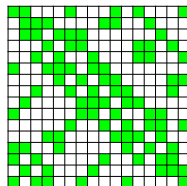
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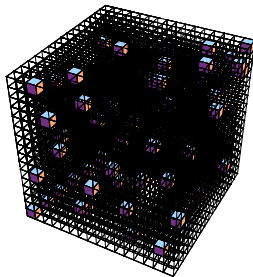




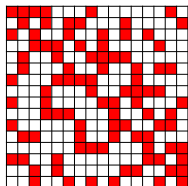
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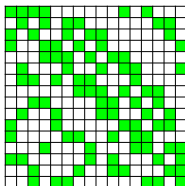
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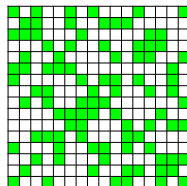
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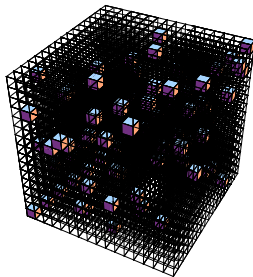
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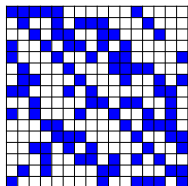
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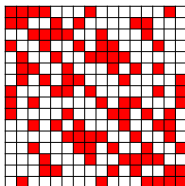
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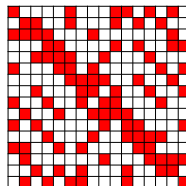
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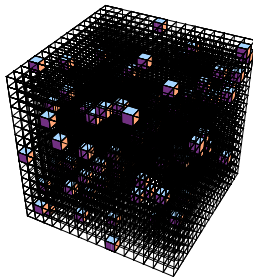
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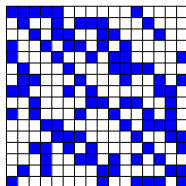
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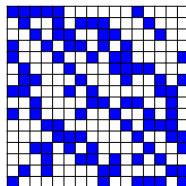
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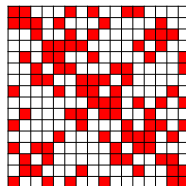
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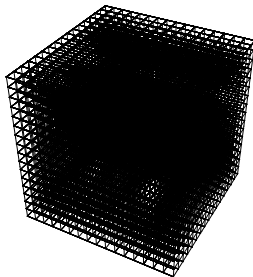
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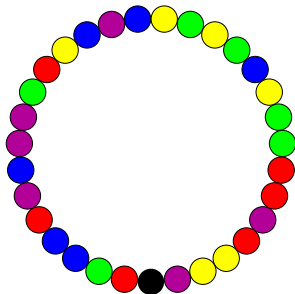
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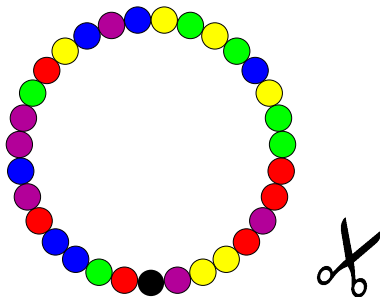


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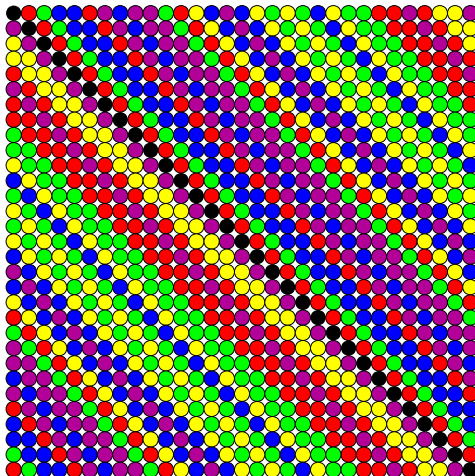




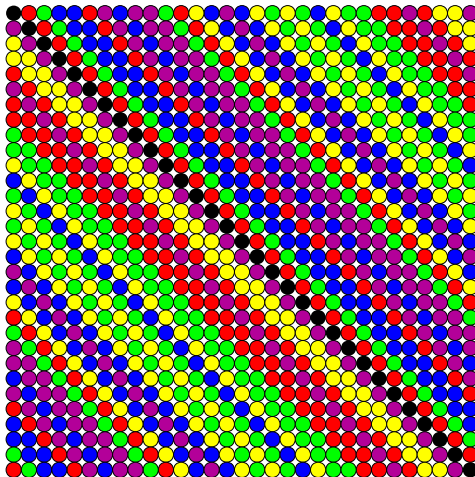
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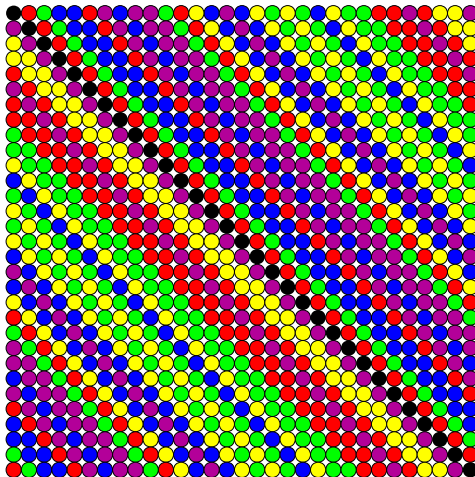


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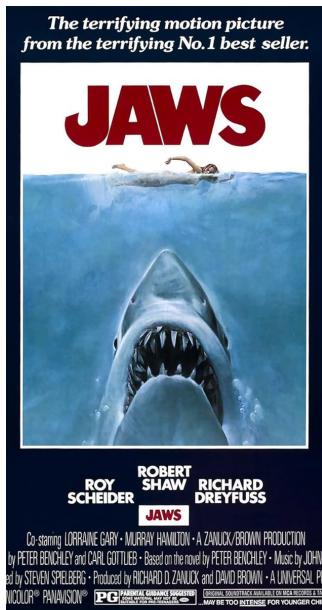
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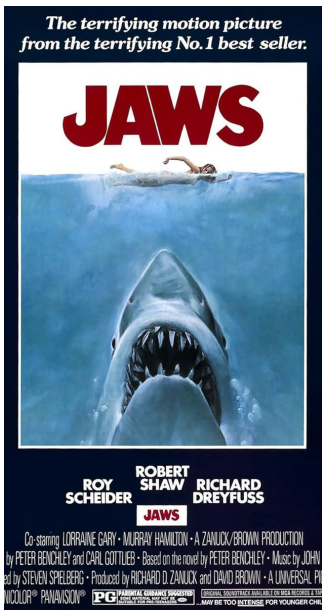


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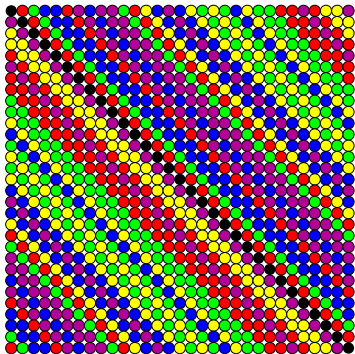
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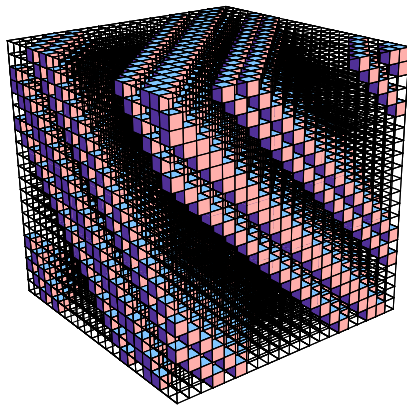
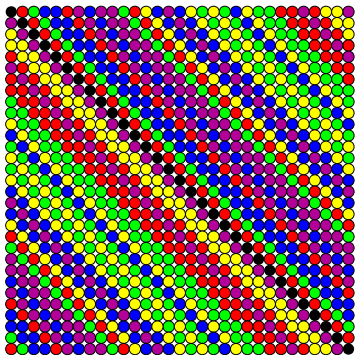




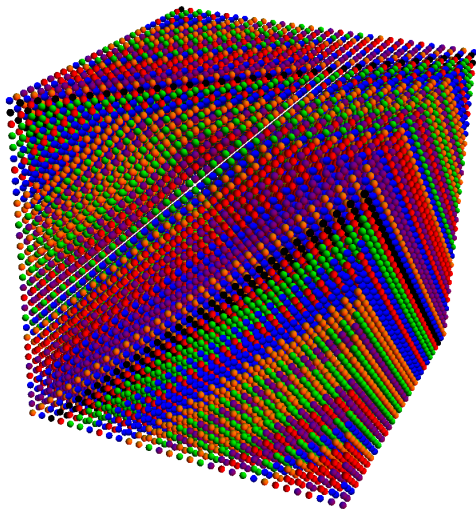
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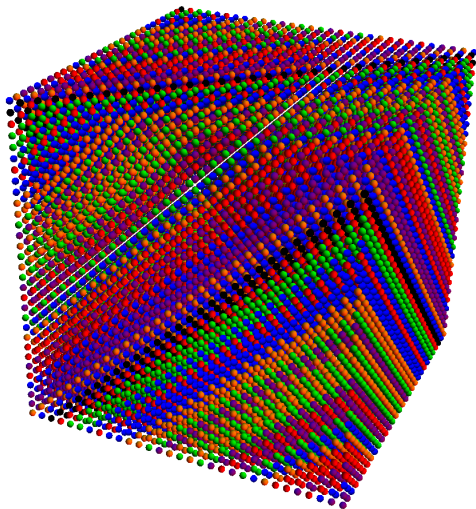
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