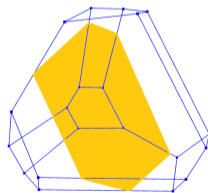


# Poset associahedra as sections of graph associahedra

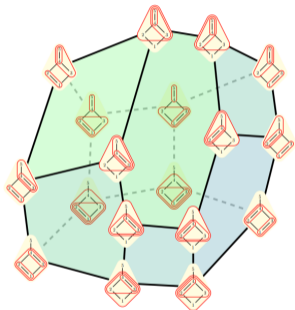
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## Poset associahedron:

→ combines the notions of graph associahedra and order polytopes



### ► Galashin, 2021

- description of combinatorial structure
- realization as stellar subdivision of order polytope

# Graph associahedron: graph tubes and tubings

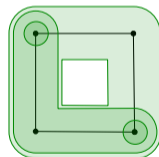
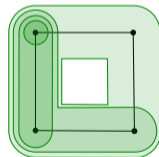
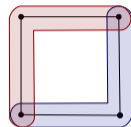
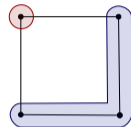
$G$  finite connected graph

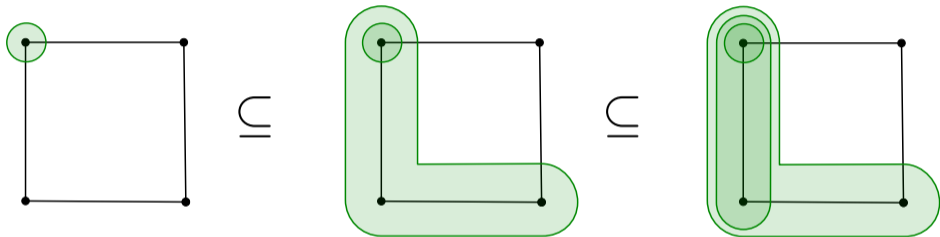
**Tube:** induced and connected subgraph;

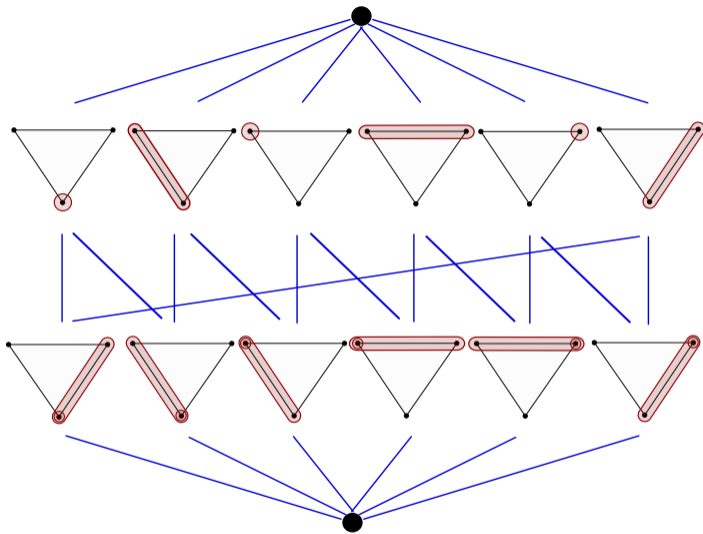
**Compatible:** pair of tubes  $\sigma, \tau$

- ▶ nested ( $\sigma \subseteq \tau$  or  $\tau \subseteq \sigma$ );
- ▶ disjoint and not adjacent ( $\sigma \cup \tau$  not connected).

**Tubing:** set of pairwise compatible tubes

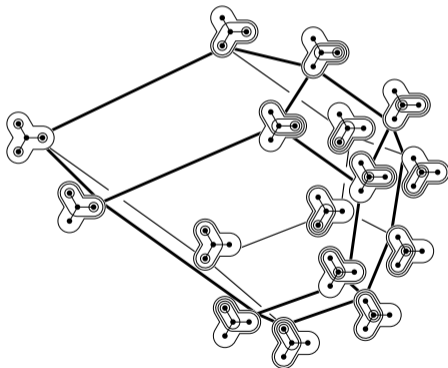






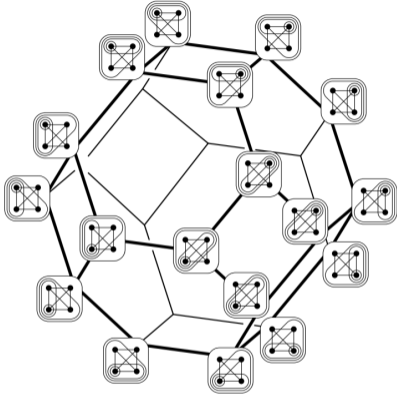
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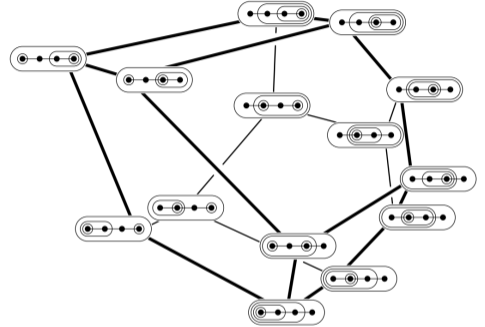


Vertices  $\leftrightarrow$  Maximal tubings

Facets  $\leftrightarrow$  Tubes



Complete graph  $\rightarrow$  permutahedron



Path  $\rightarrow$  associahedron

# Graph associahedron: geometric realization

Theorem (Postnikov, 2009)

$G$  graph with vertices  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . For every choice of positive parameters  $\{\lambda_\sigma\}_{\sigma \in B_G}$ , the polytope

$$\mathcal{P}_G(\{\lambda_\sigma\}) = \sum_{\sigma \in B_G} \lambda_\sigma \Delta_\sigma$$

is a realization of the graph associahedron  $\mathcal{P}(G)$  of  $G$ .

$B_G \rightarrow$  set of tubes of  $G$

$\Delta_\sigma \rightarrow \text{Conv}(e_i \mid i \in \sigma)$



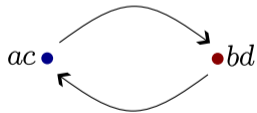
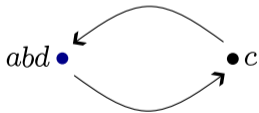
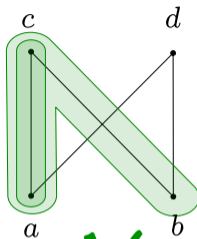
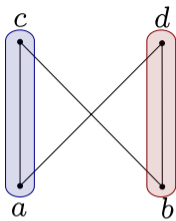
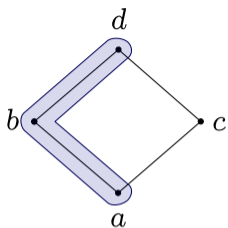
## Poset associahedron: poset tubes and tubings

$P$  finite connected poset,  $|P| \geq 2$ ,  $H_P$  Hasse diagram

**Tubing:** set  $T$  of connected subgraphs of  $H_P$ :

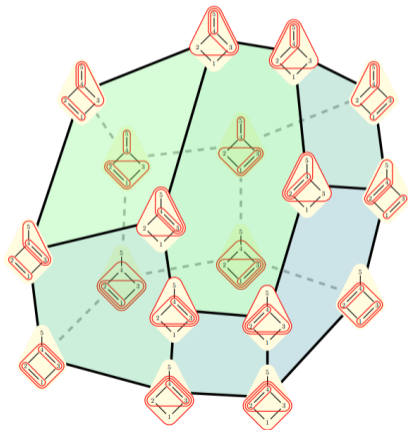
- ▶ pairwise nested ( $\sigma \subseteq \tau$  or  $\tau \subseteq \sigma$ ) or disjoint
- ▶ there exist no subsets  $T'$  of  $T$  such that the graph obtained from the Hasse diagram  $H_P$  of  $P$  by contracting every  $\tau_i \in T'$  to a vertex  $v_i$  has a directed cycle

**Proper tubing:**  $2 \leq |\tau| \leq |P| - 1$  for all  $\tau \in T$ .



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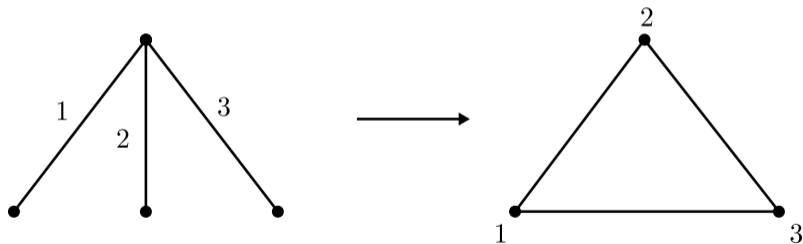
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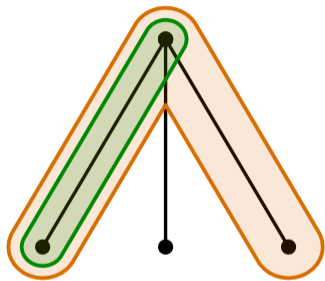
## Poset associahedron: our realization

Line graph: graph  $L(G)$  with:

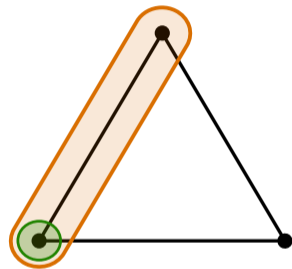
- a vertex for every edge of  $G$
- an edge for every incidence in  $G$



## Motivating example: Hasse diagram with no cycles

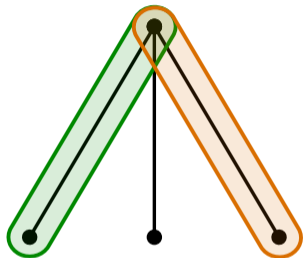


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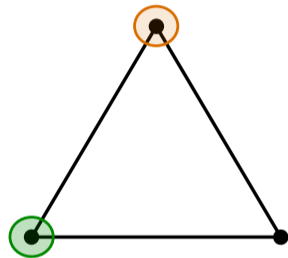


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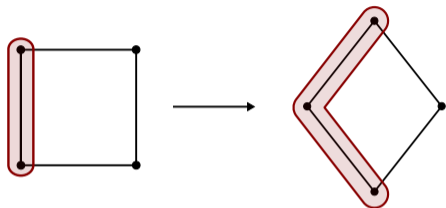
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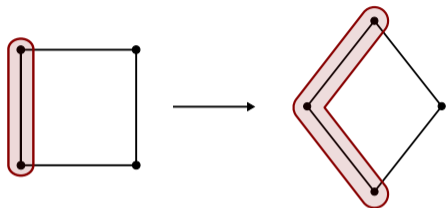
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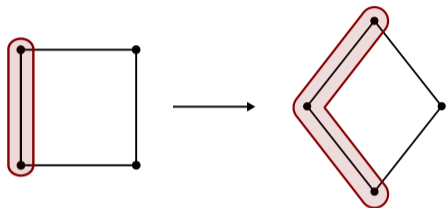
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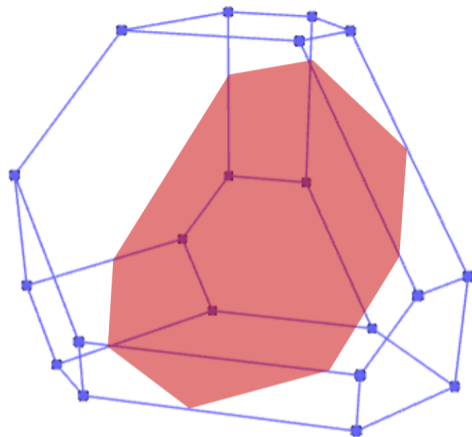
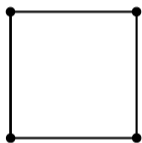
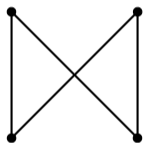
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Section of the graph associahedron of  $L_P$

$c$  cycle in  $H_P$ .

**Orientation:** one of the two ways of turning the edges of  $c$  into arcs to get a directed cycle  $\vec{c}$

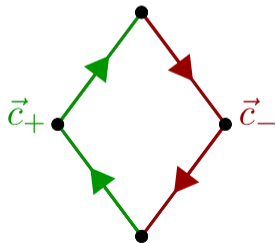
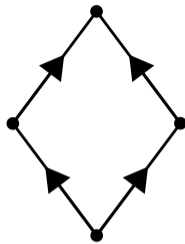
**Oriented cycle:** cycle with an orientation

**Positive part:**  $\vec{c}_+ := A(\vec{c}) \cap A(H_P)$

→ arcs that have the same direction in  $H_P$  and in  $\vec{c}$

**Negative part:**  $\vec{c}_- := A(\vec{c}) \setminus A(H_P)$

→ arcs that have opposite directions in  $H_P$  and in  $\vec{c}$



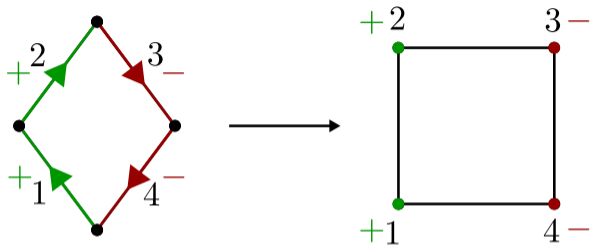
## Definition

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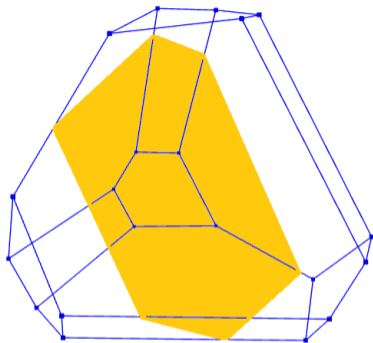
$$h_{\vec{c}} := \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \sum_{i \in \vec{c}_+} x_i - \sum_{j \in \vec{c}_-} x_j = 0 \right\}$$

Let  $\mathcal{C}_P$  be a basis of the cycle space of  $H_P$ . Chosen an orientation  $\vec{c}$  for every element  $c$  of  $\mathcal{C}_P$ , we define:

$$\mathcal{S} := \bigcap_{\vec{c} \in \mathcal{C}_P} h_{\vec{c}}$$



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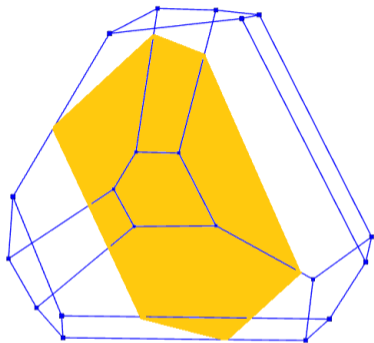


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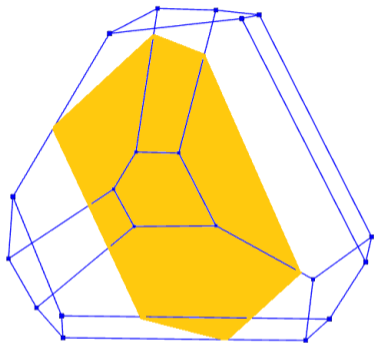
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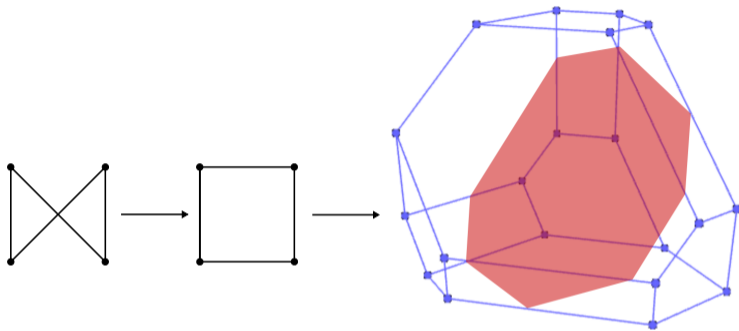
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