

Decomposability of polygon coverings

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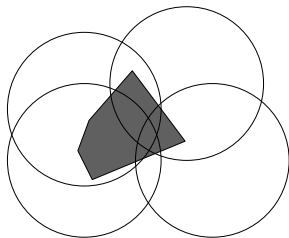
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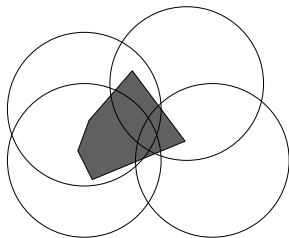
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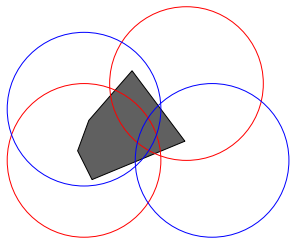
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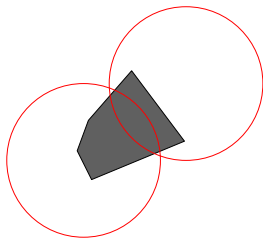
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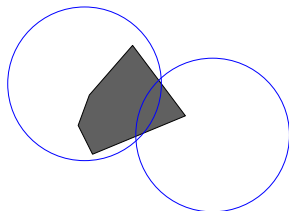
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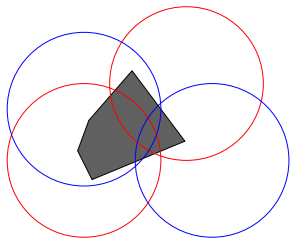
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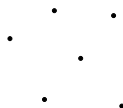
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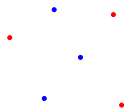
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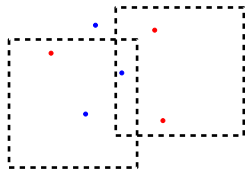
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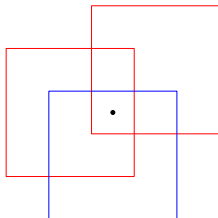
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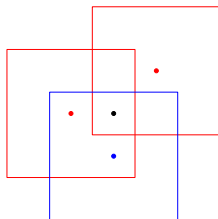
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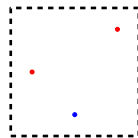
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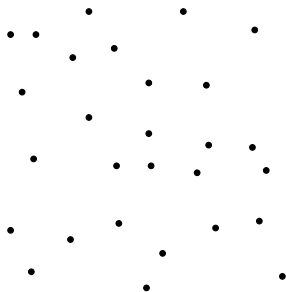
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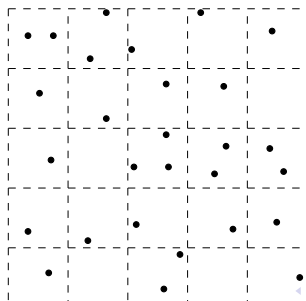
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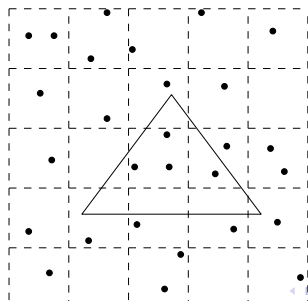
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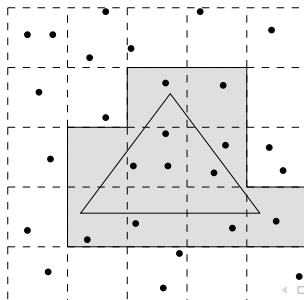
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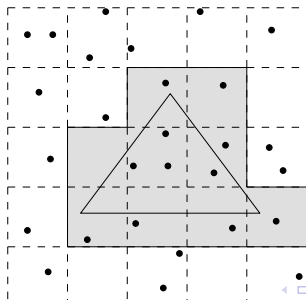
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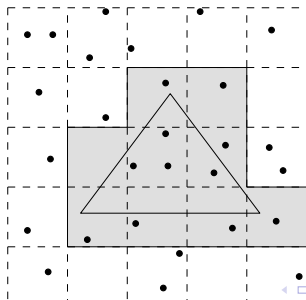


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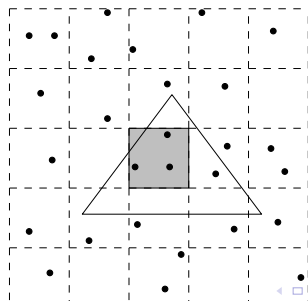


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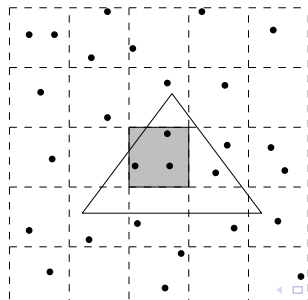
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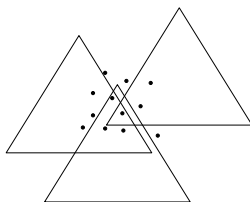
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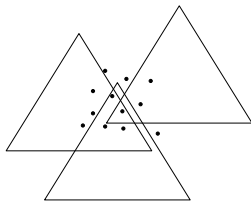
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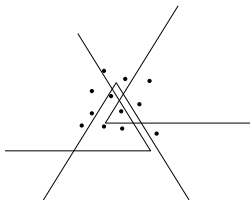
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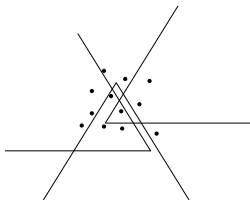


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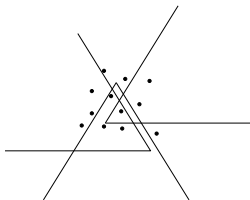
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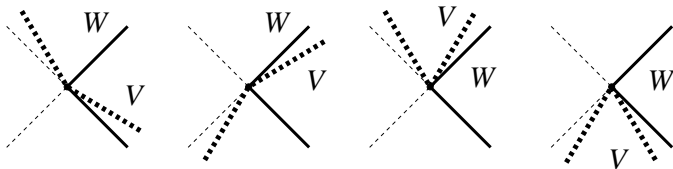
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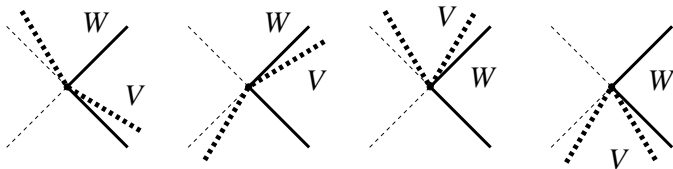


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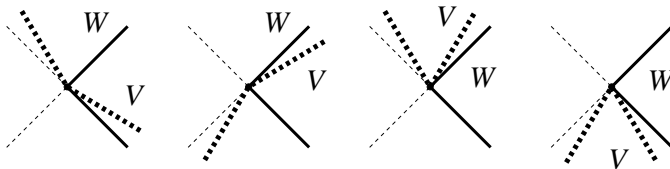


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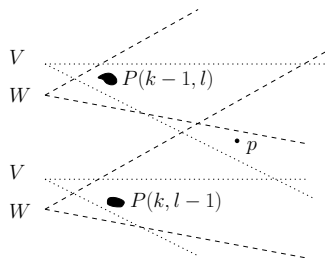
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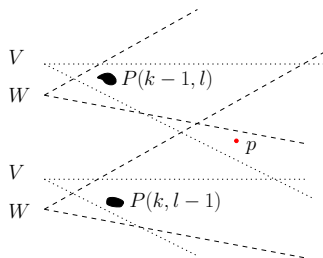
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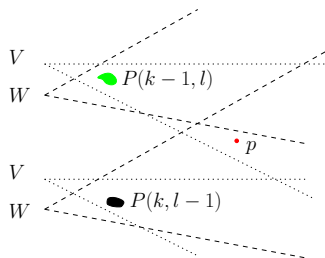
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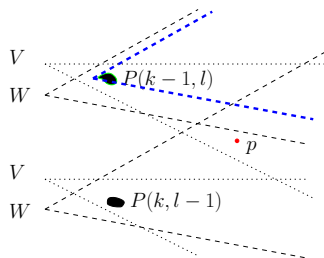
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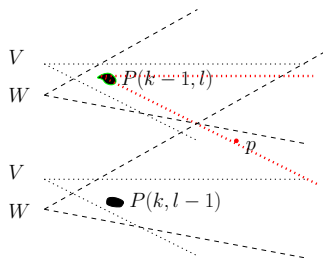
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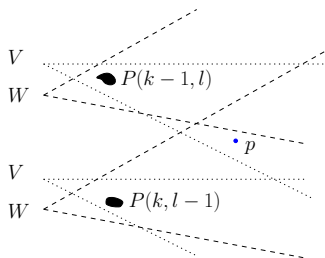
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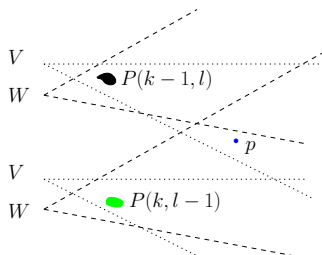
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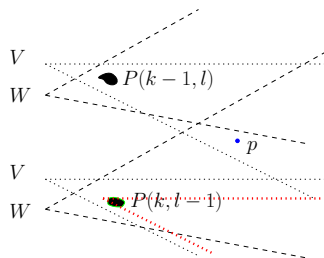
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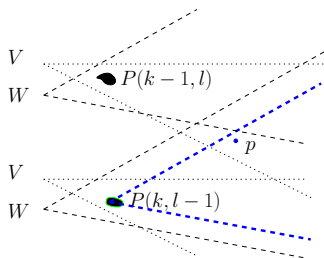
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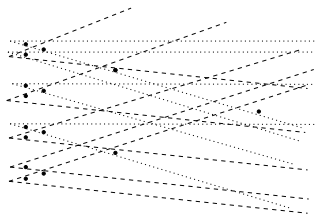
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*Polyhedrons are not cover-decomposable.
Not even space-cover-decomposable.*

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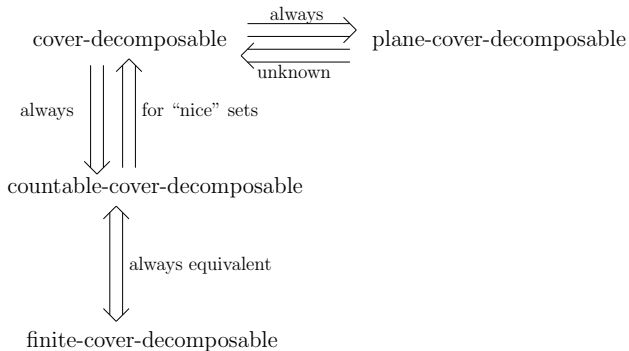


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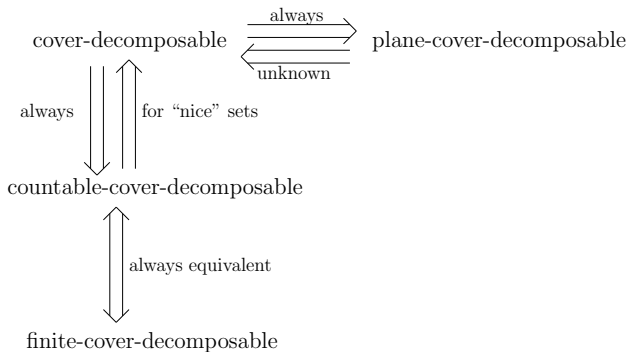


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It does not matter if the set is open or closed.

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This statement does not hold for hexagons.

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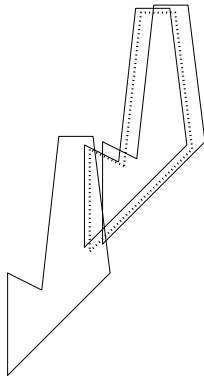
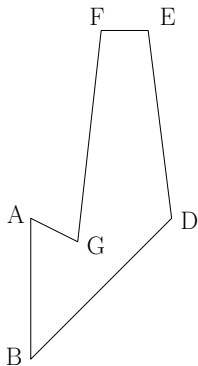
Theorem

There is a hexagon that is not cover-decomposable but it is plane-cover-decomposable.

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Thank you for your attention!