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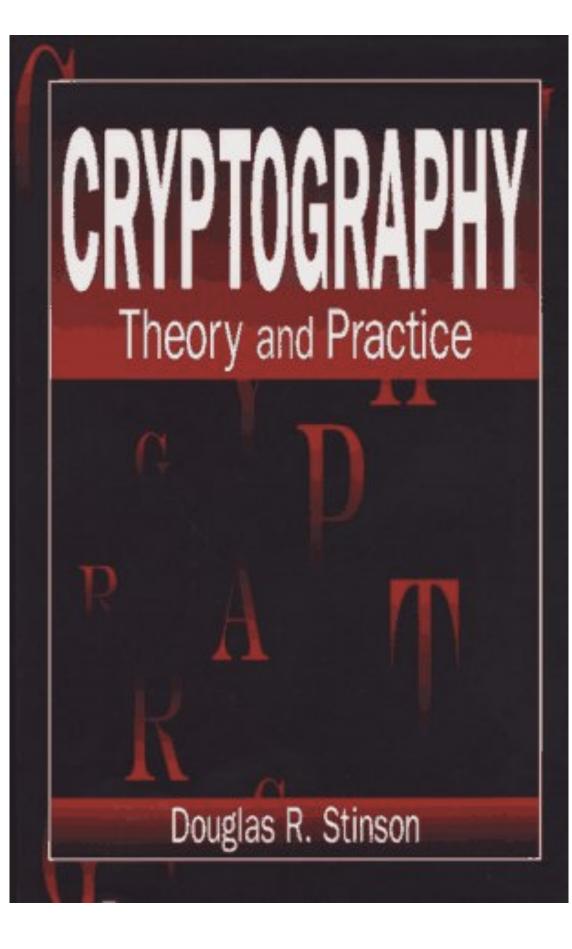
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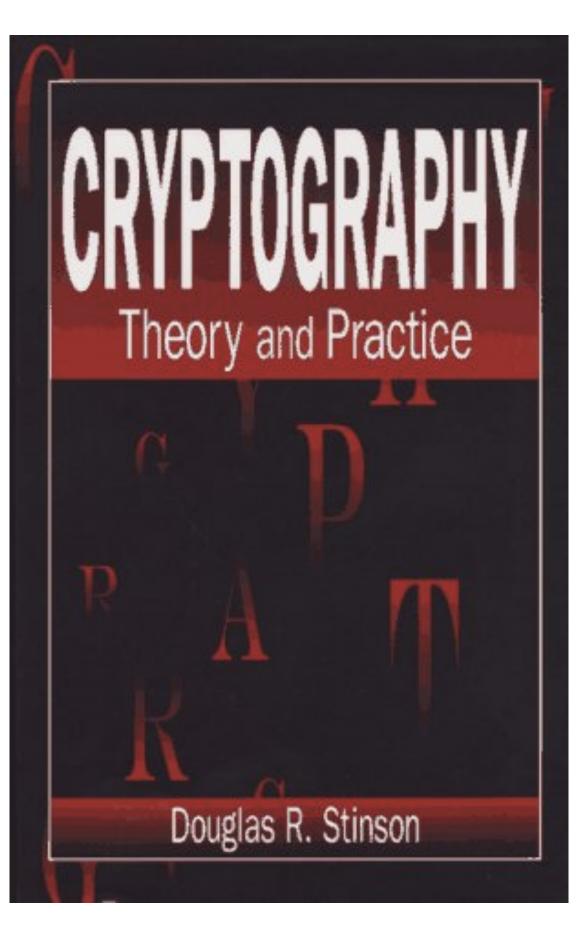
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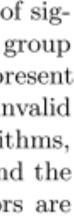
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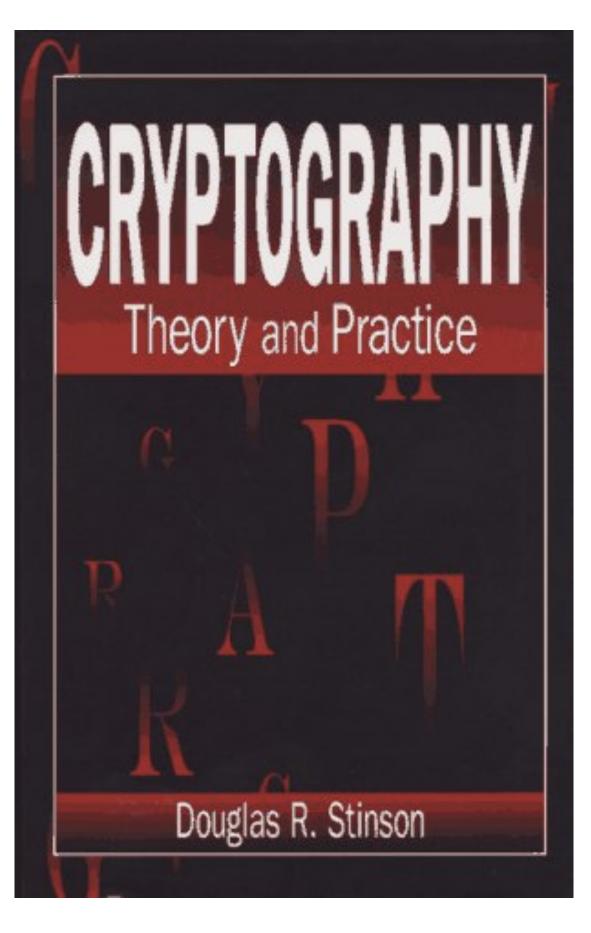
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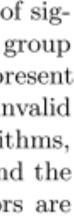
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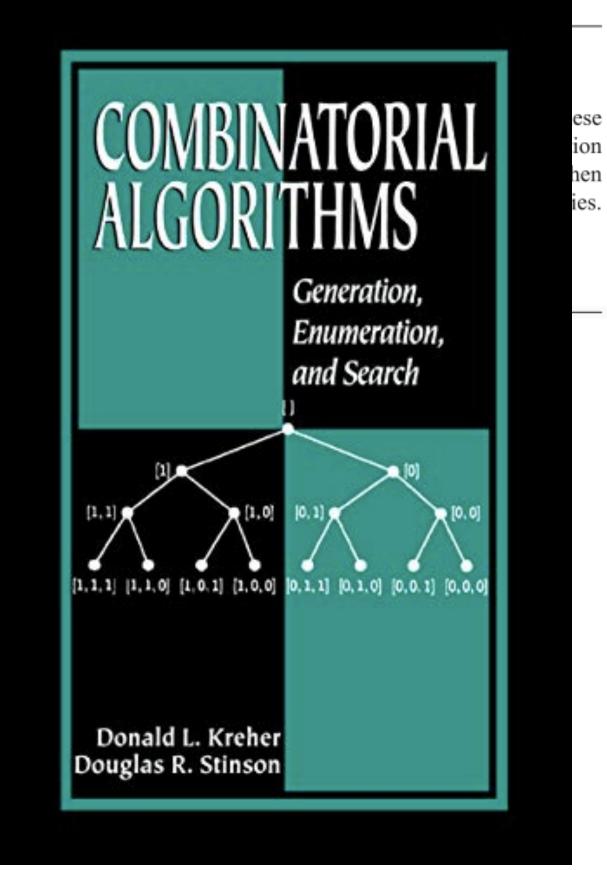
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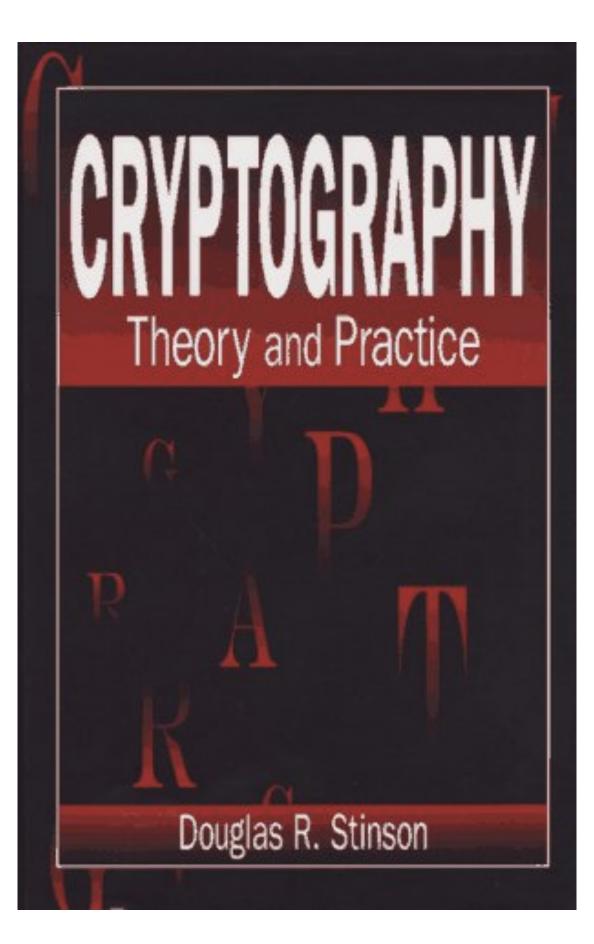
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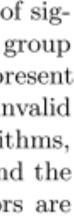
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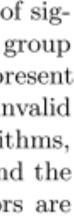
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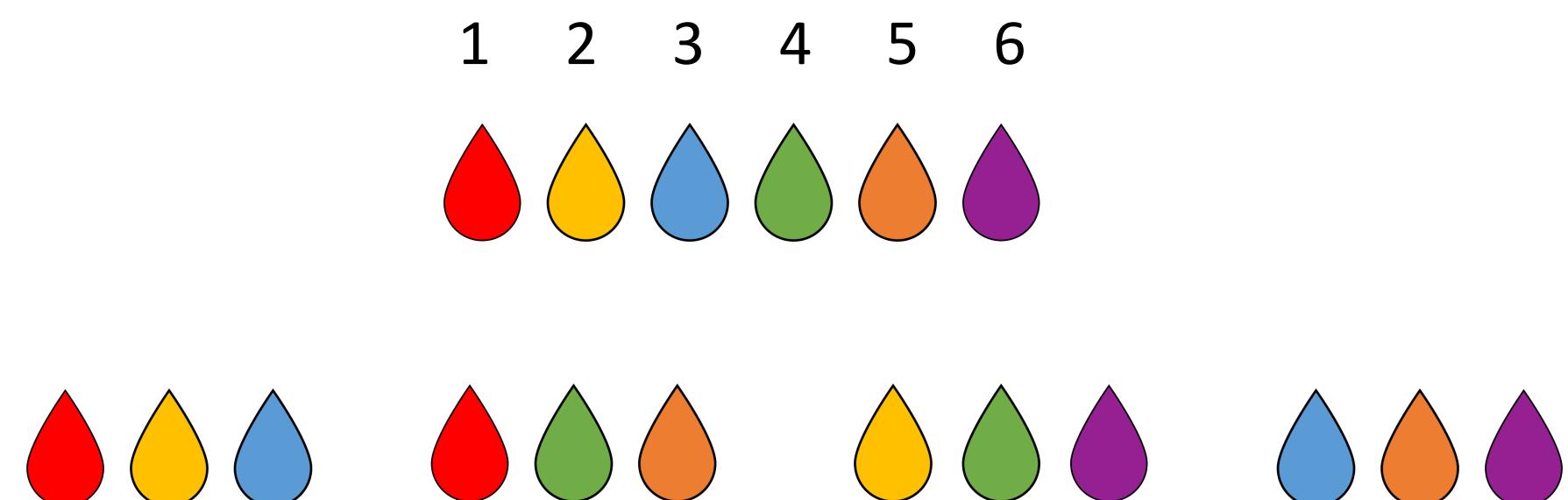
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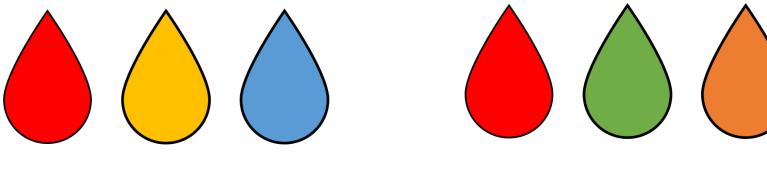
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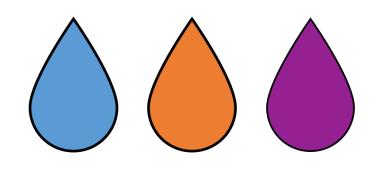
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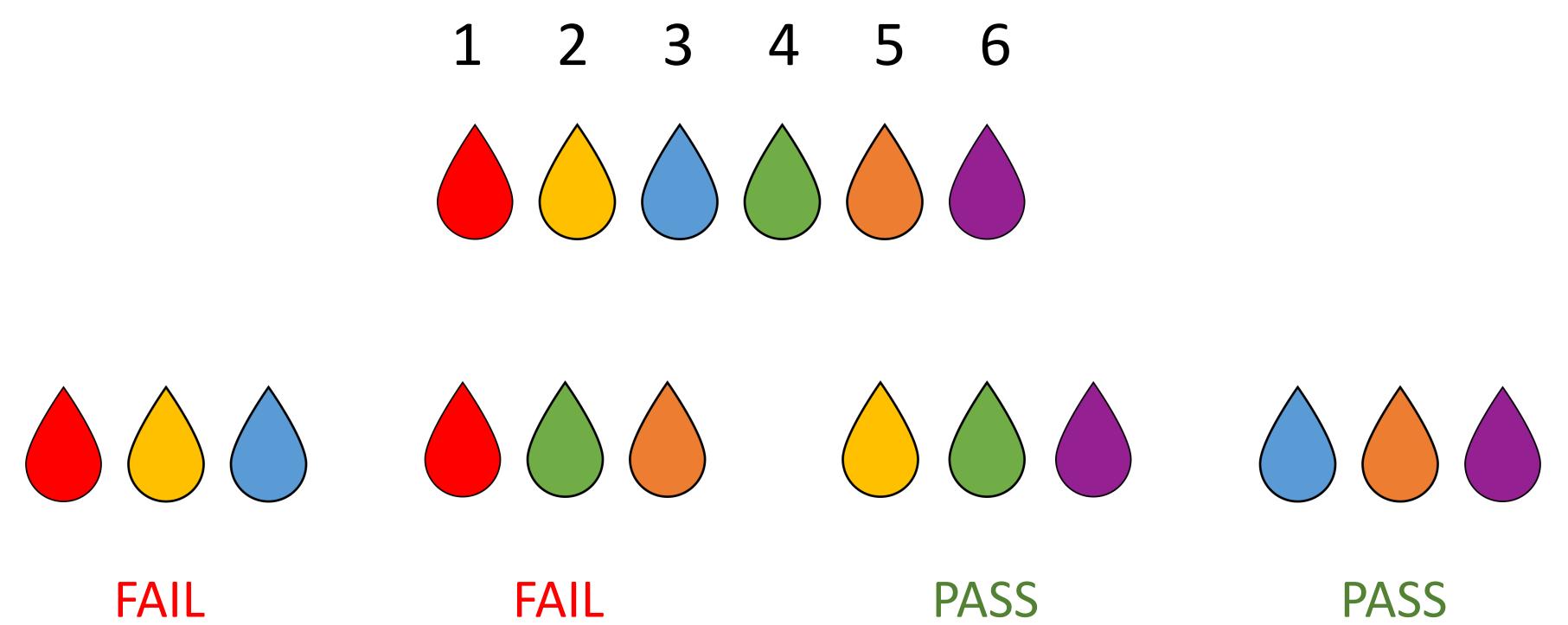
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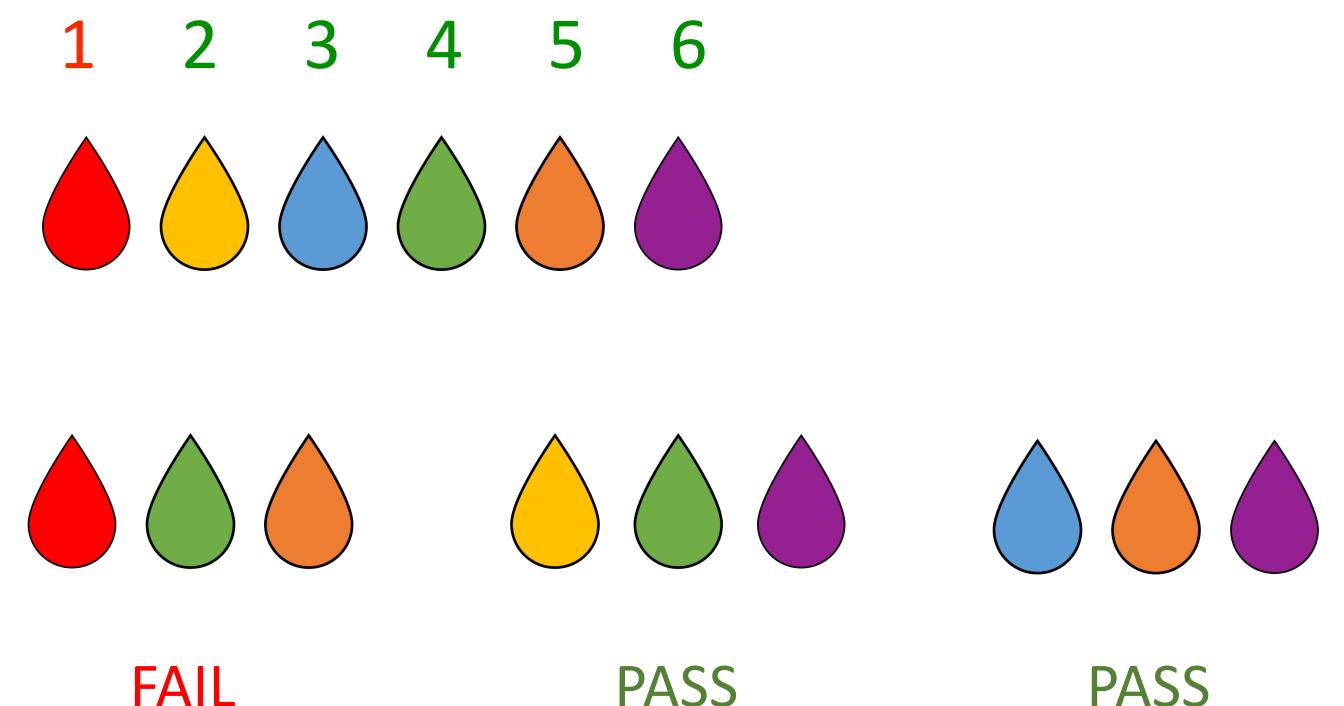


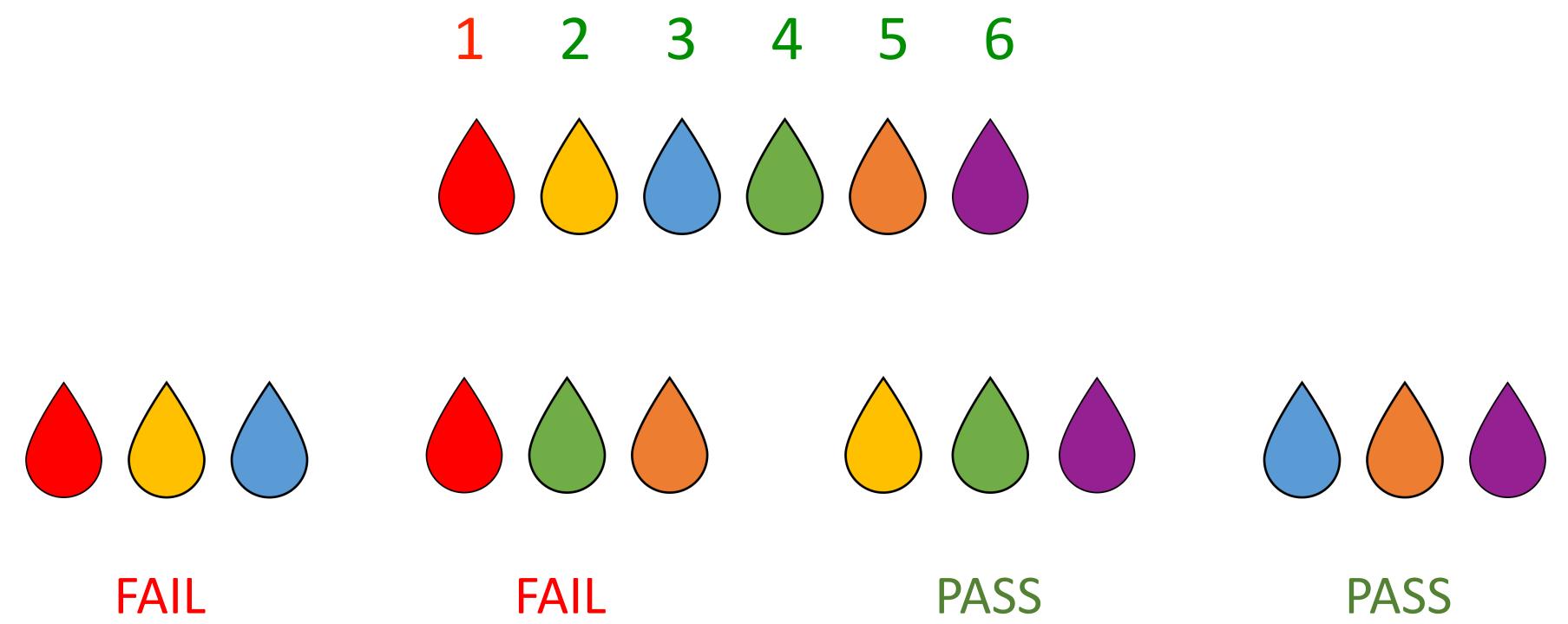
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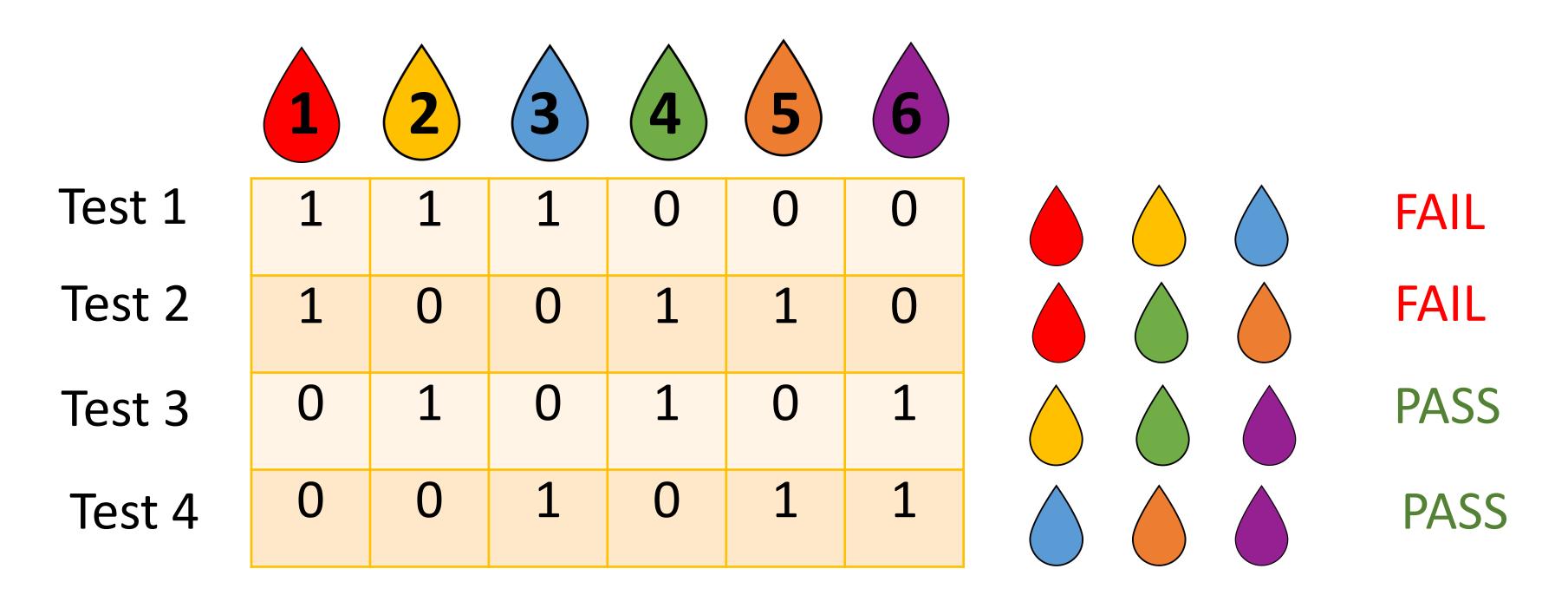
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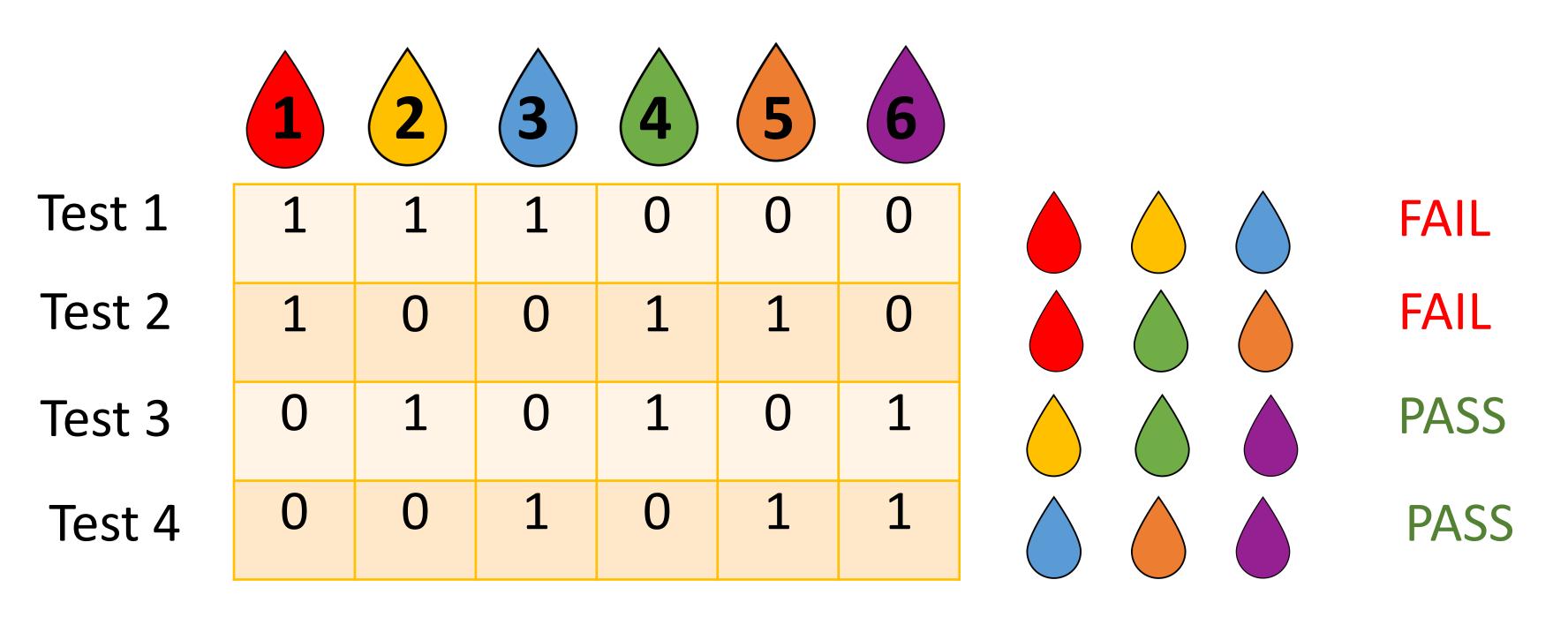
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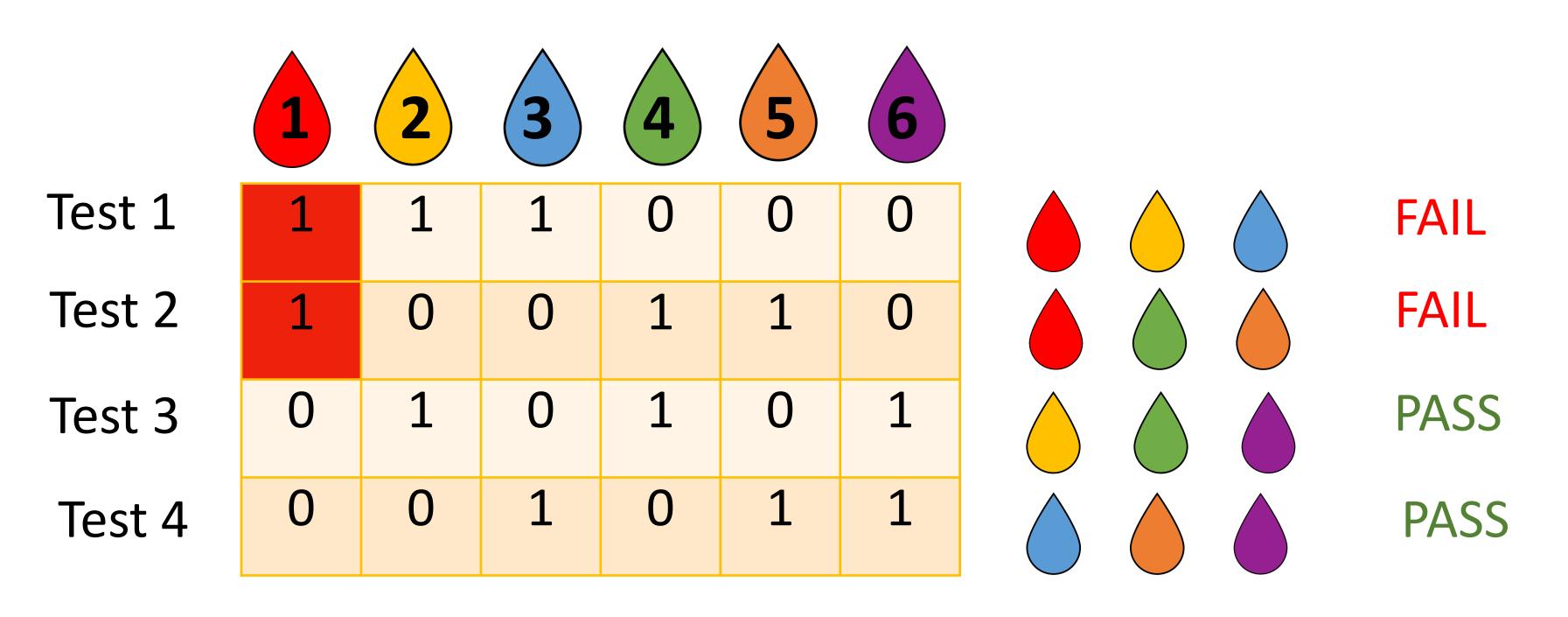
Definition: Let d be a positive integer. A *d*-cover-free family, denoted d - CFF(t, n), is a set system $\mathscr{F} = (X, \mathscr{B})$ with |X| = t and $|\mathscr{B}| = n$ such that for any d + 1 subsets $B_{i_0}, B_{i_1}, \ldots, B_{i_d} \in \mathscr{B}$, we have:

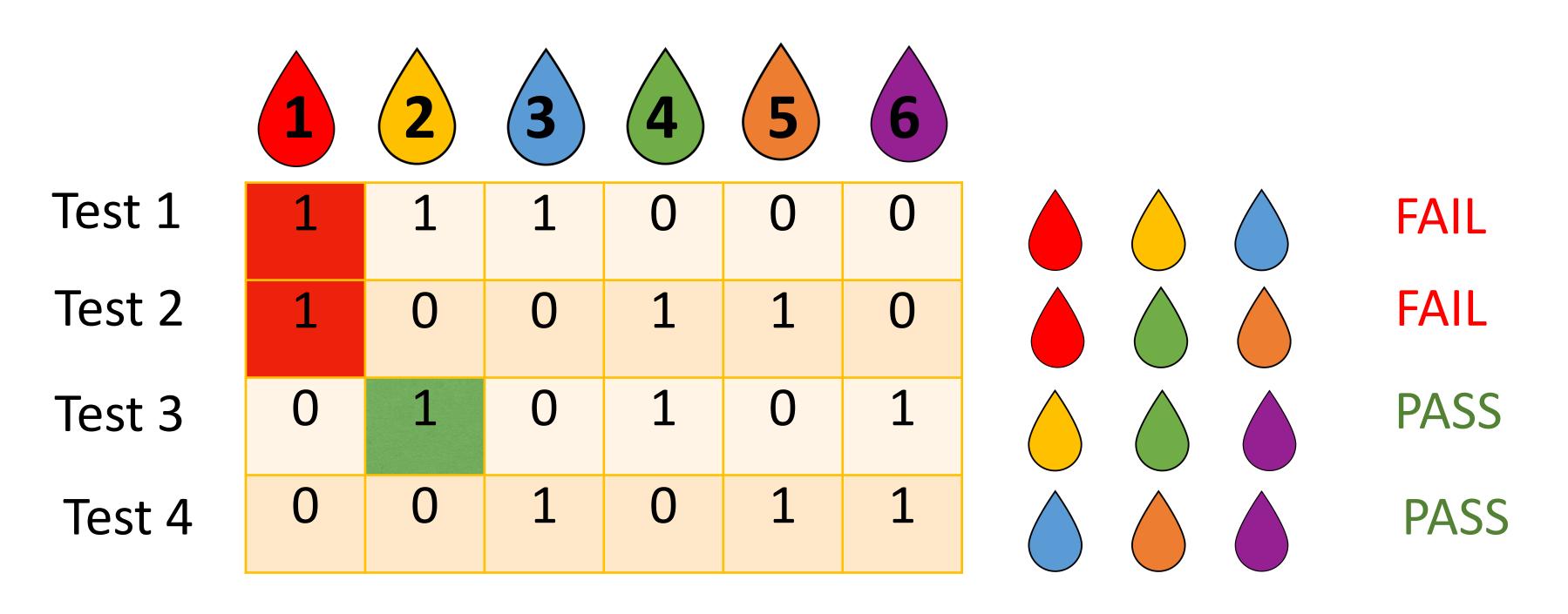
 $B_{i_0} \setminus \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{a} \right)$

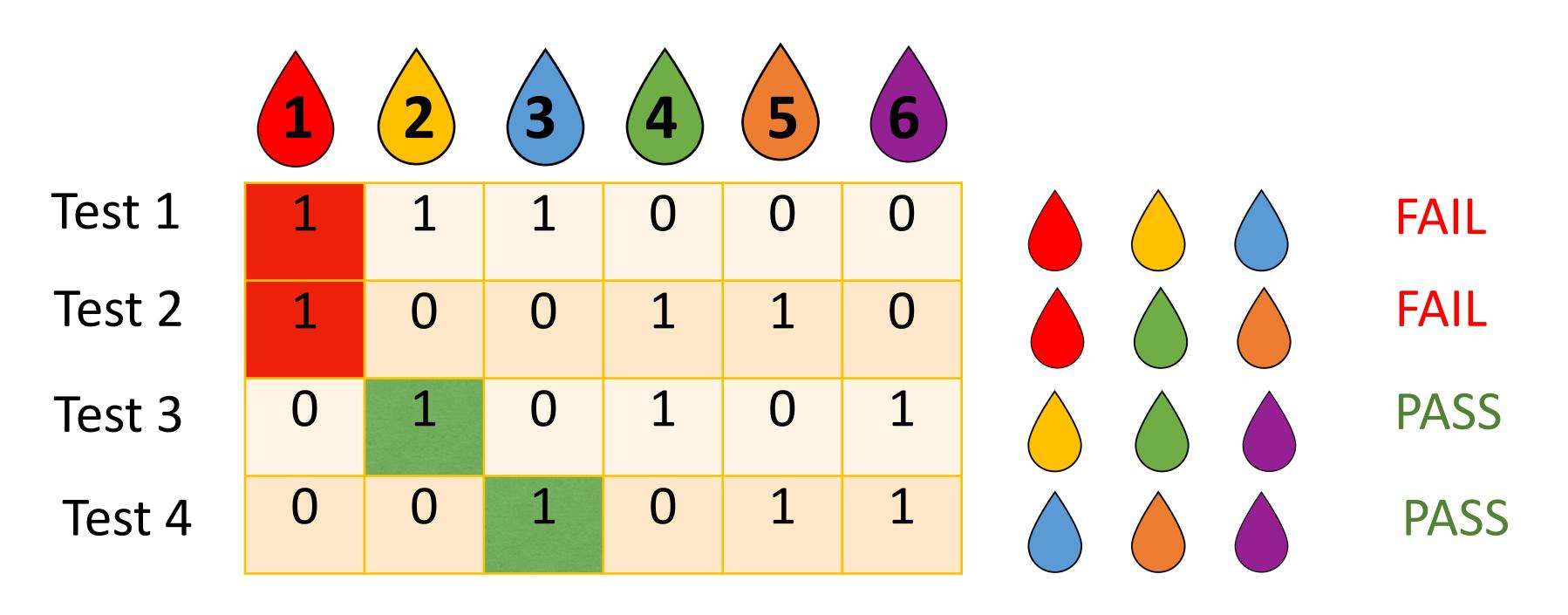
No element is *covered* by the union of any other d.

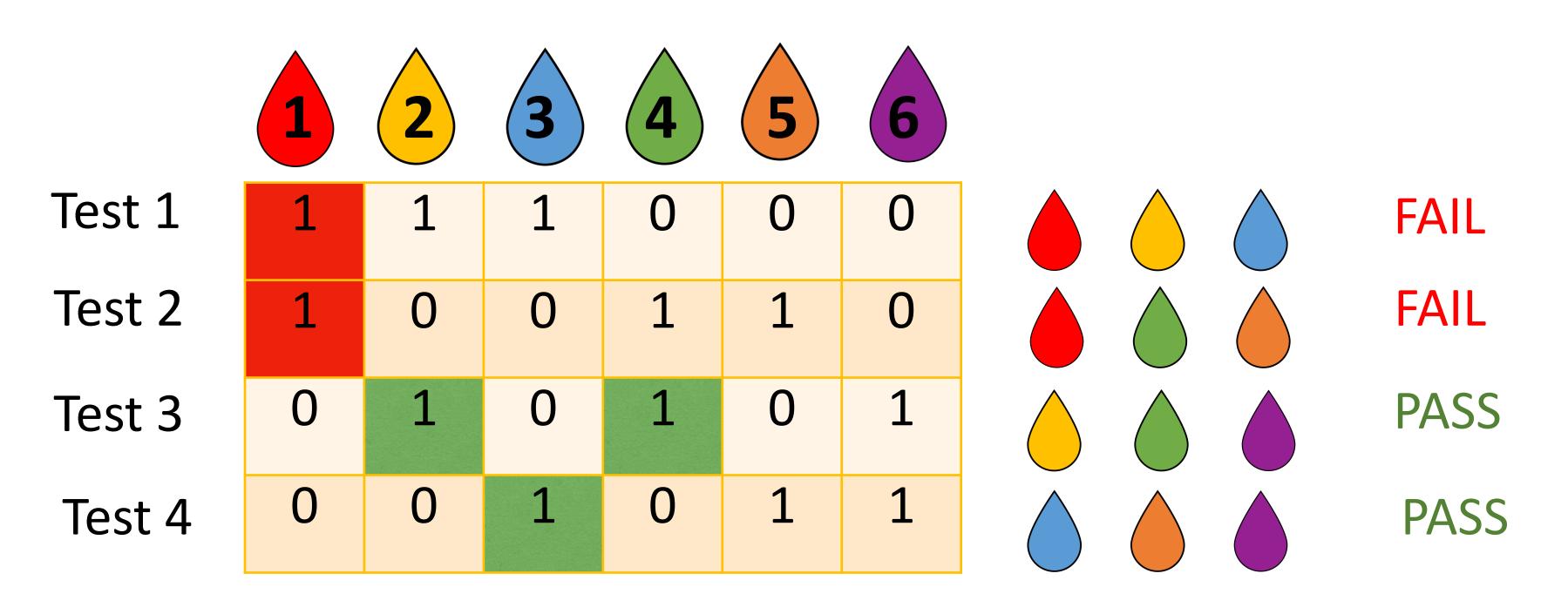
* Equivalent to disjunct matrices and superimposed codes.

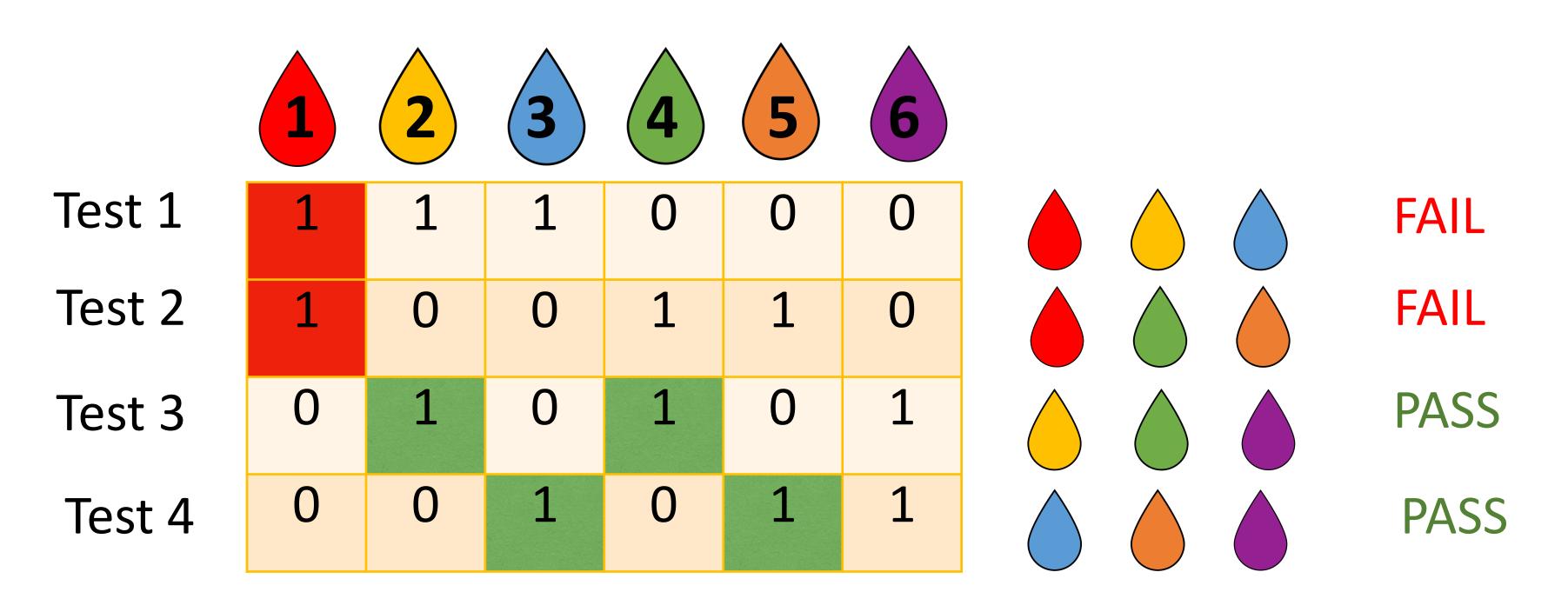
$$\frac{d}{B_{i_j}} \ge 1.$$

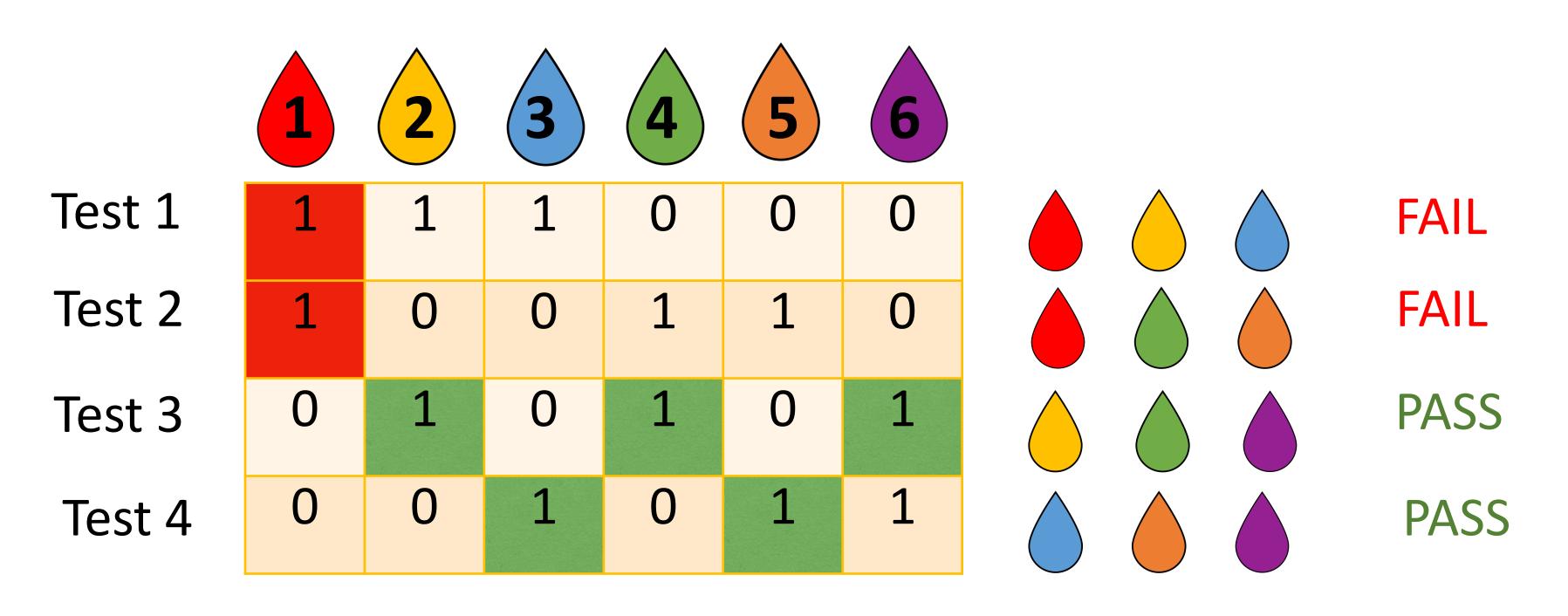




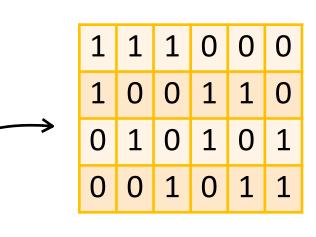




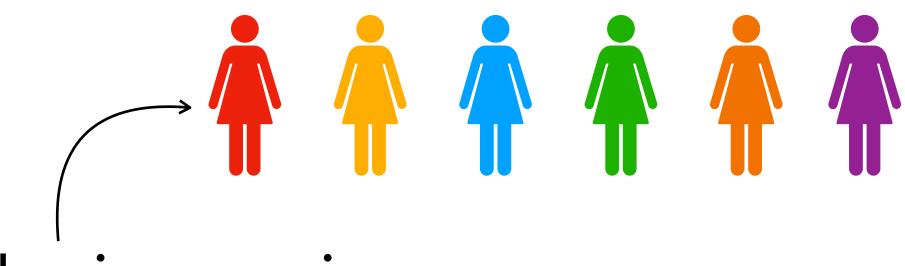


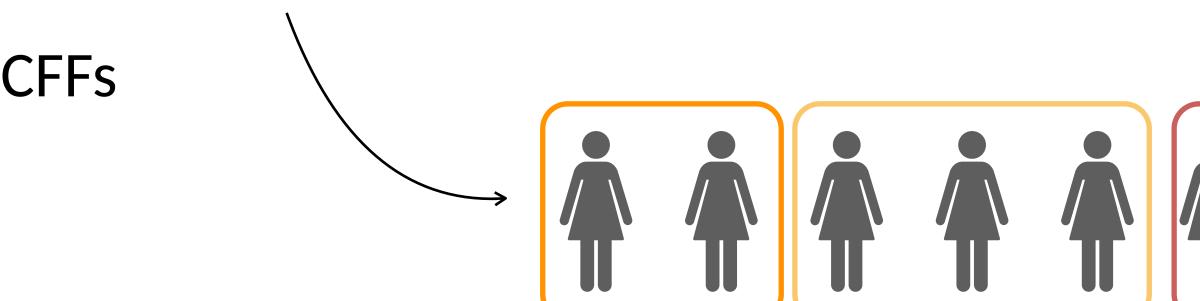


In this talk



- Applications of **combinatorial group testing** in pandemic screening
- Study of structure-aware combinatorial group testing
- New constructions of structure-aware CFFs
- Examples of applications
- Future work







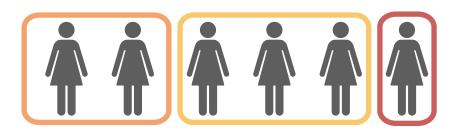
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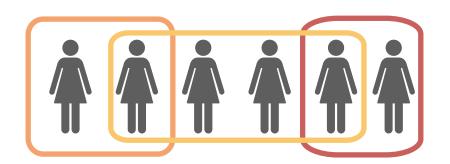
Model the communities as hypergraphs

• $\mathcal{H} = (V, \mathcal{S})$

Propose constructions that take \mathscr{H} into consideration

•
$$(\mathcal{S}, r) - CFF(t, n)$$





Structure-aware CFFs

Overlapping and non-overlapping edges:

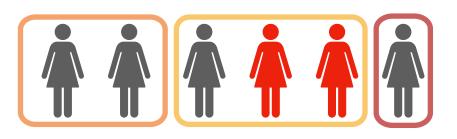
Configurations:

•
$$(\mathcal{S}, r) - CFF(t, n)$$

• $(\mathcal{S}, r) - ECFF(t, n)$

Identify r infected edges, without internal identification





Identify all infected individuals, as long as there are at most r infected edges that jointly contain them





Related Work

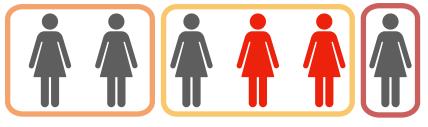
- Several works on CGT for COVID-19 testing
- Few structure-aware solutions (equivalent models to ours)
 - Connected and overlapping communities (Nikolopoulos et al., 2021)
 - Adaptive and non-adaptive algorithms
 - Generalized group testing (Gonen et al., 2022)
 - Edges are all potentially contaminated sets
 - Variable CFFs in Cryptography (Idalino, 2019)

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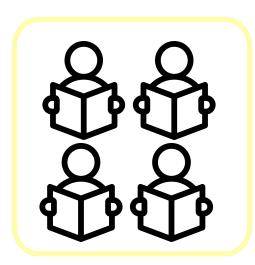
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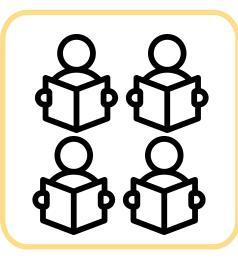
- Revisit old d CFF constructions
- Show we can boost the number of infected items they can identify

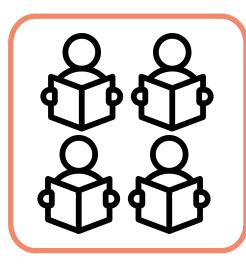


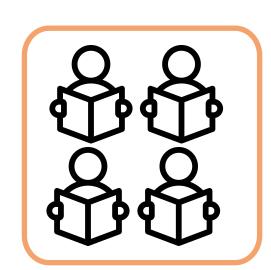


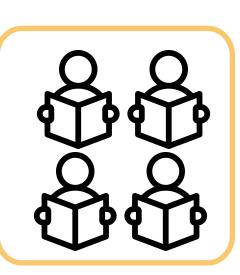
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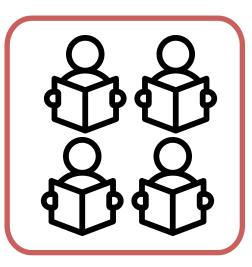




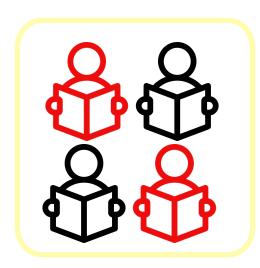


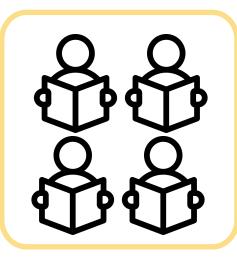


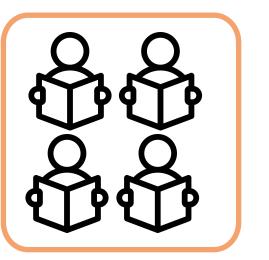


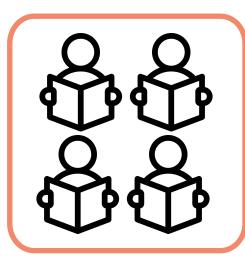


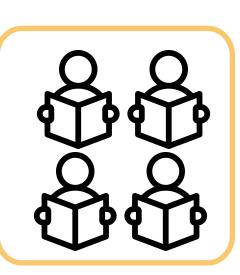
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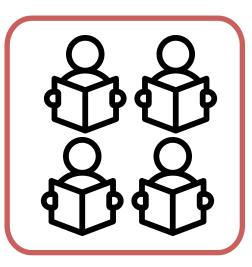




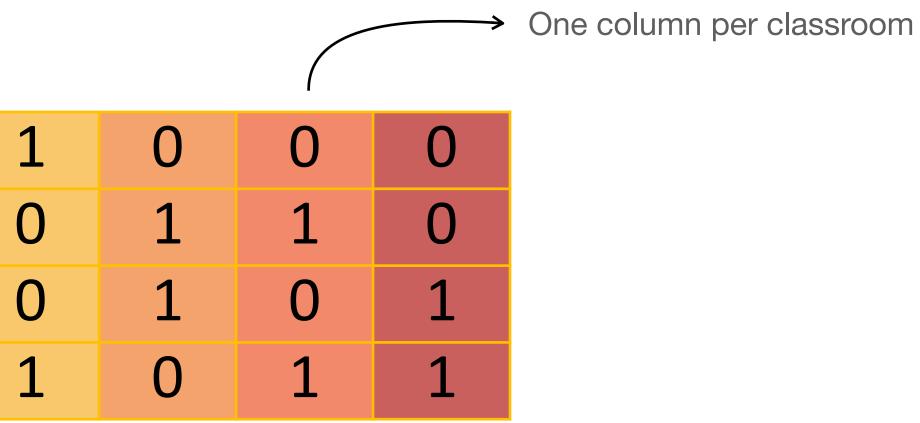




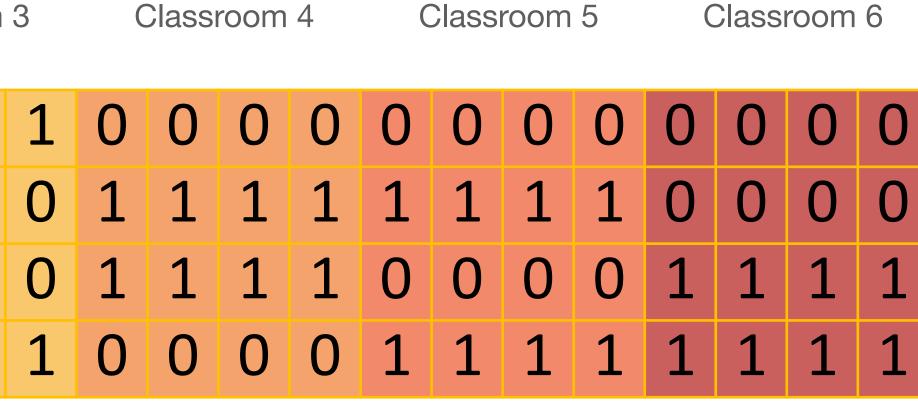




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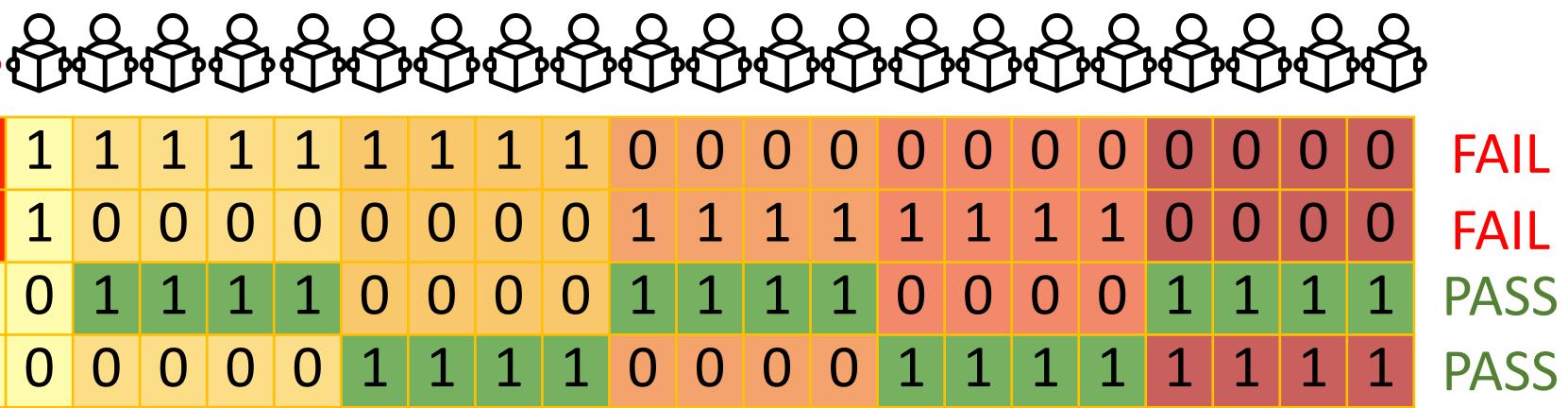


Classroom 1			Classroom 2			Classroom				
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1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1

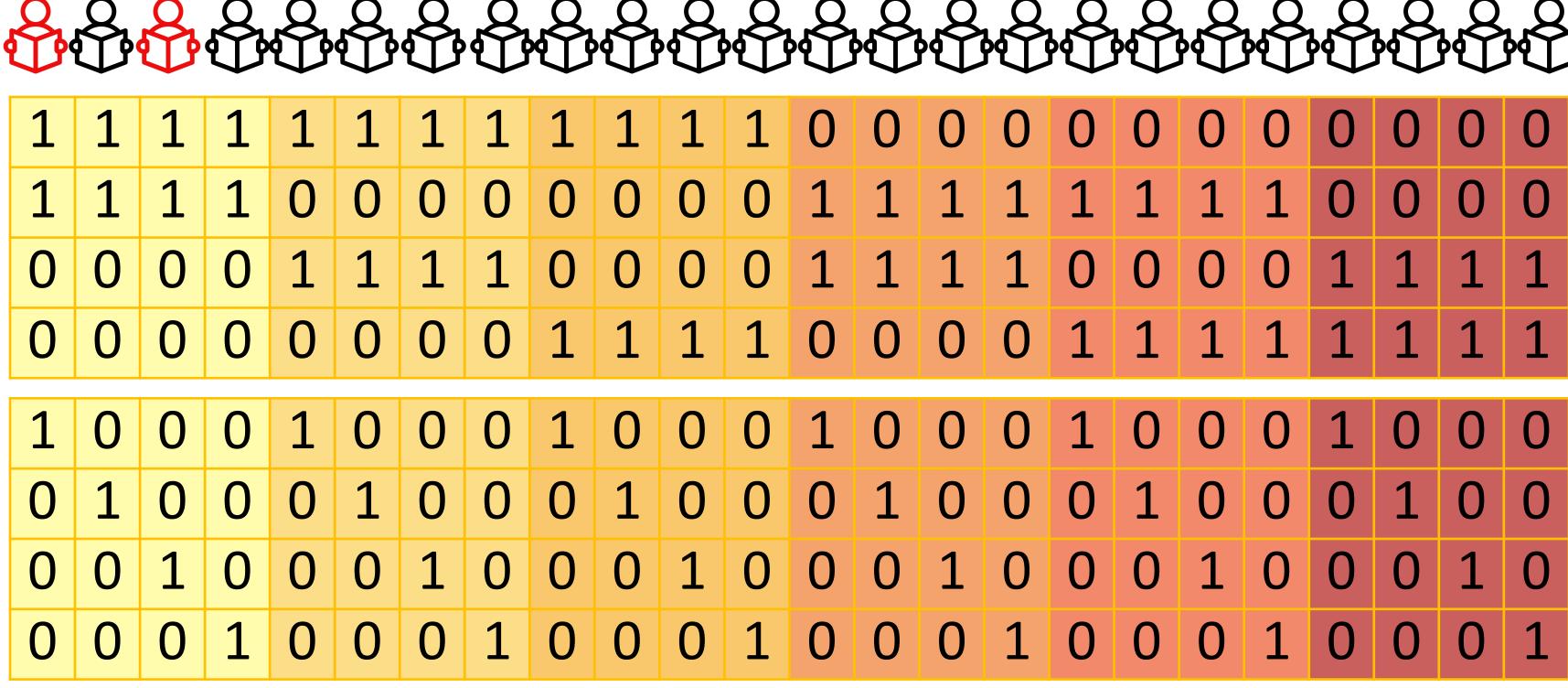




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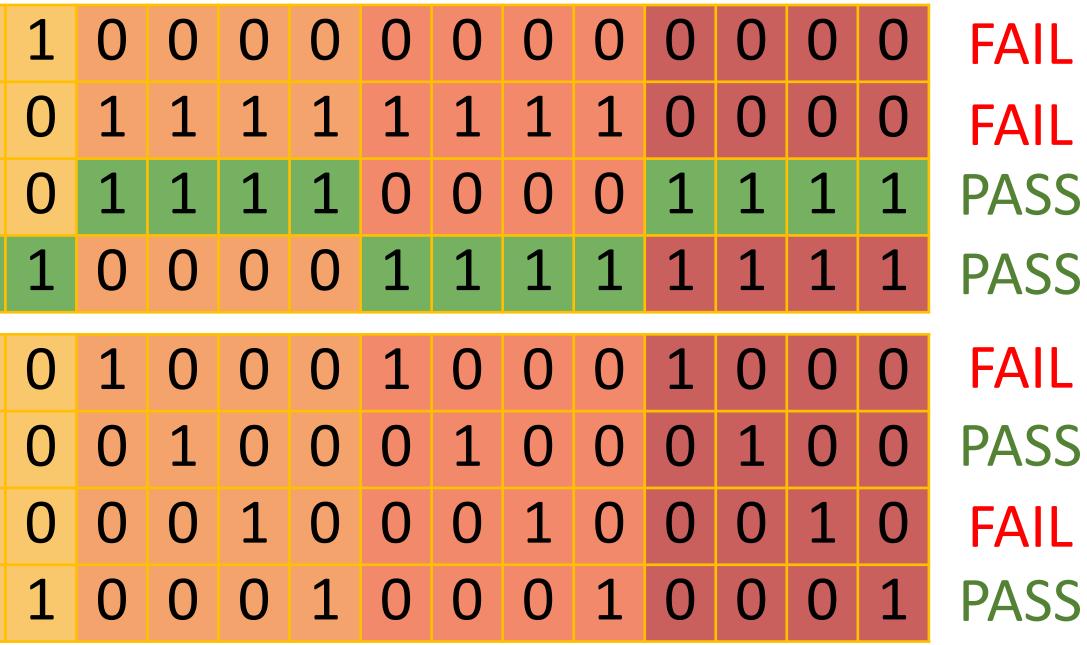


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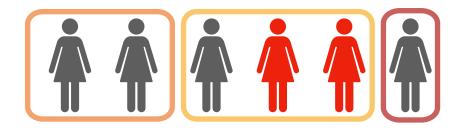
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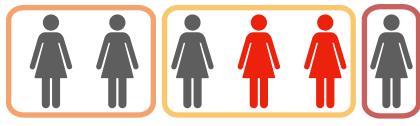


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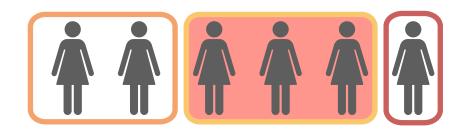
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- If we only care about infected edges
 - Restrict to the first t_1 rows to get a $(\mathcal{S}, 1) ECFF(t_1, n)$

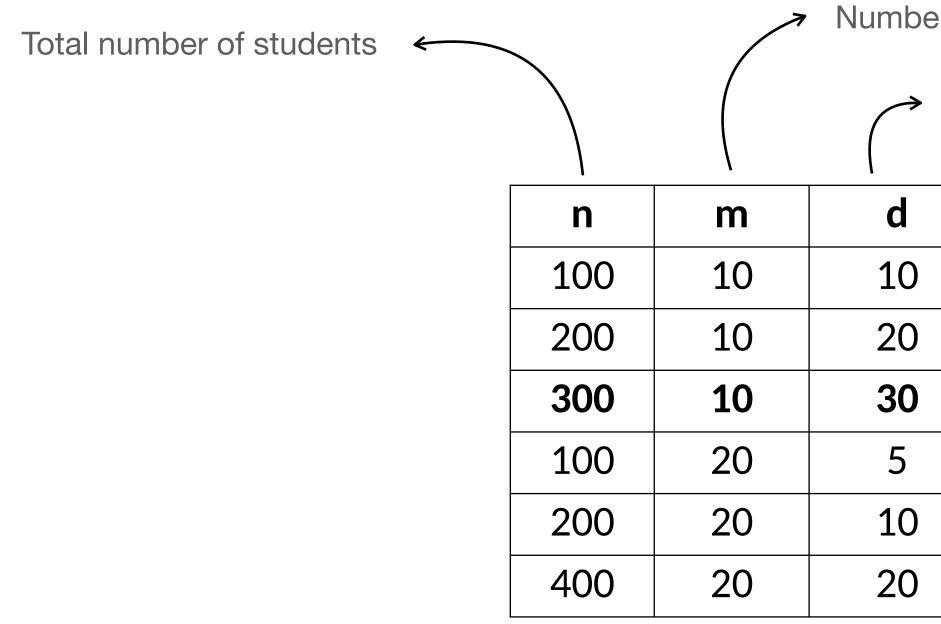


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Sperner-type construction Comparison with traditional *d* – *CFF*(*t*, *n*)



Number of classrooms

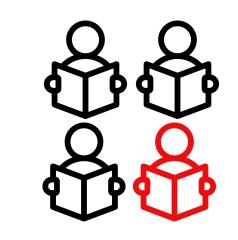
Classroom size

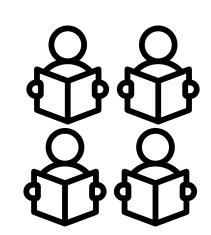
$(\mathcal{S},1) - CFF(t,n)$	d - CFF(t, n)
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35	231
11	21
16	66
26	231
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Lower bound

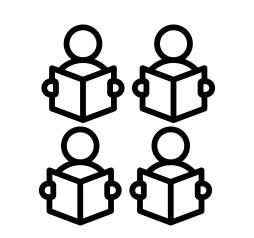
Kronecker-type construction What if more classrooms are infected?

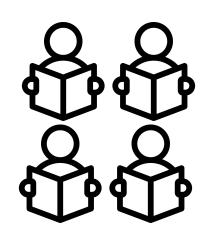










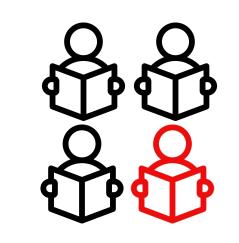




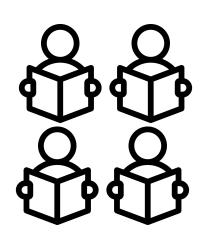
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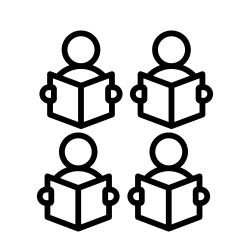
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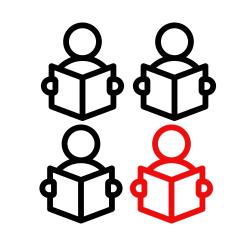




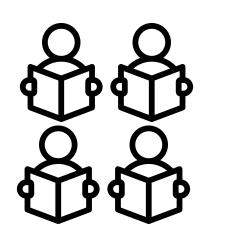
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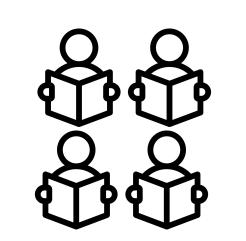
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- Generalization of Li, van Rees and Wei (2006)
- Allows edges of different cardinalities













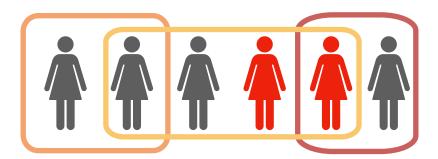
• Uses an r - CFF(t, m) to build $(\mathcal{S}, r) - ECFF(t, km)$ and $(\mathcal{S}, r) - CFF(kt, km)$





Overlapping edges

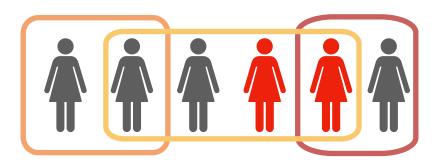
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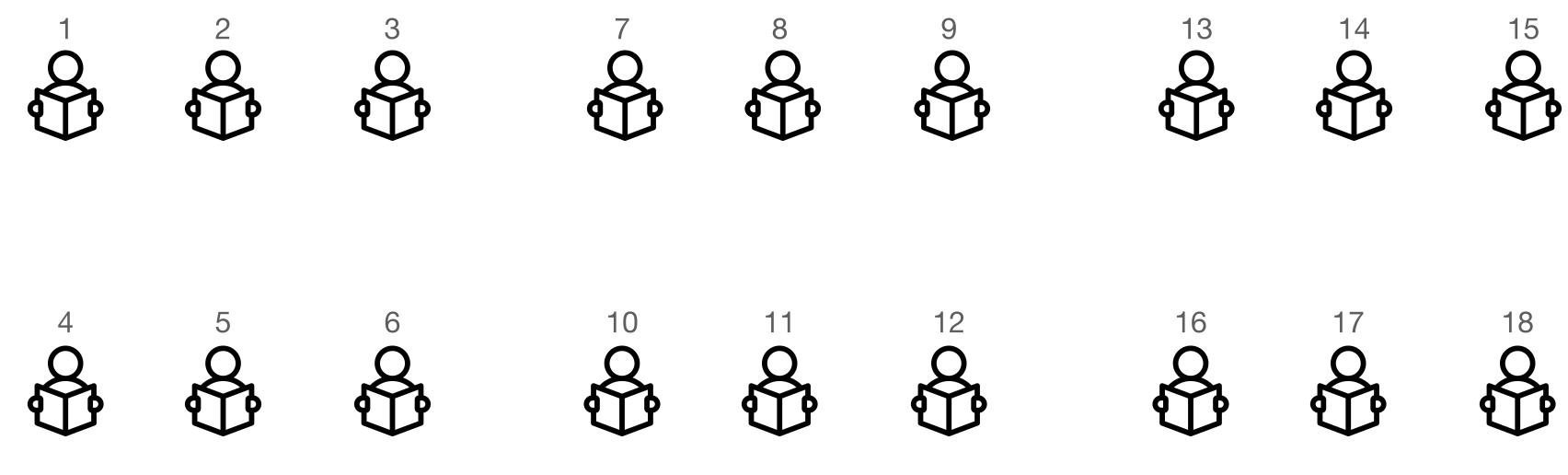
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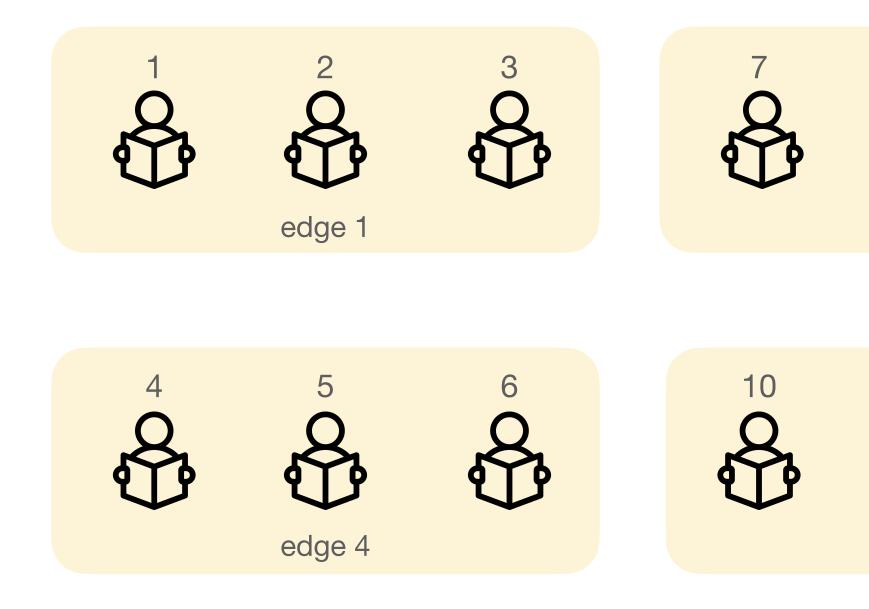
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 - Construction of $(\mathcal{S}, 1) CFF$ and $(\mathcal{S}, 1) ECFF$ based on edge-colouring
 - Construction of $(\mathcal{S}, r) CFF$ based on strong edge-colouring
 - **Defect cover**: a set of at most r edges whose union contains the set of infected elements
 - We can handle many infected edges, as long as the size of the defect cover is $\leq r$

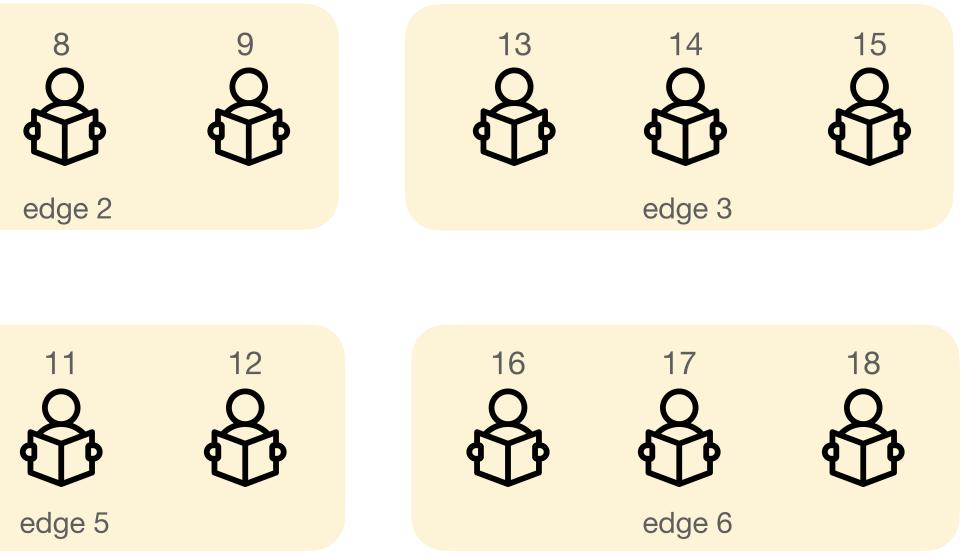






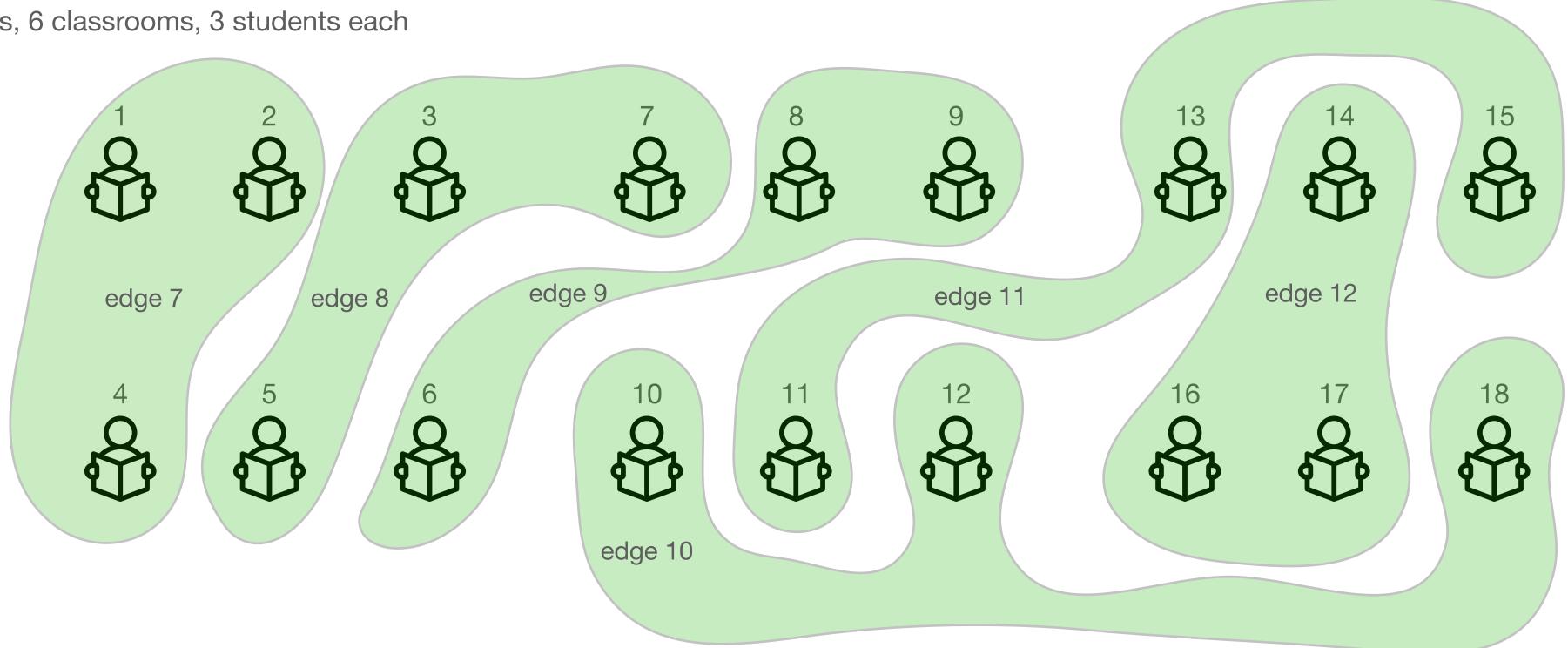
Morning classes: n = 18 students, 6 classrooms, 3 students each



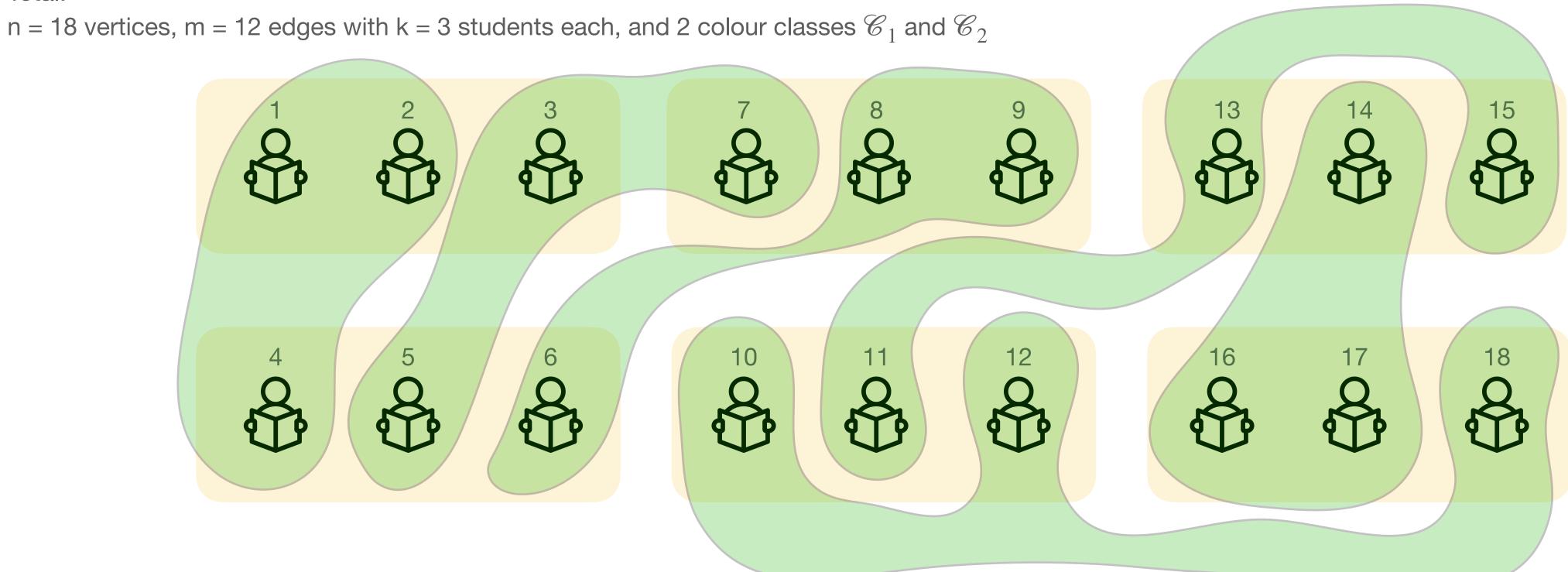


Afternoon classes:

n = 18 students, 6 classrooms, 3 students each



Total:



\mathcal{C}_1										
edge 1	edge 2	edge 3	edge 4	edge 5	edge 6					
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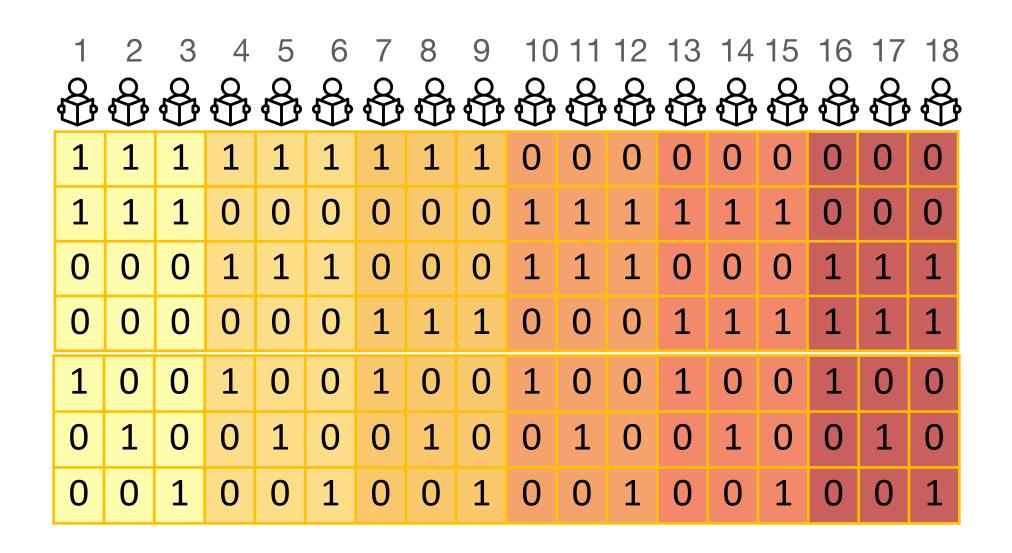
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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
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0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1

\mathscr{C}_2										
edge 7	edge 8	edge 9	edge 10	edge 11	edge 12					
1	1	1	0	0	0					
1	0	0	1	1	0					
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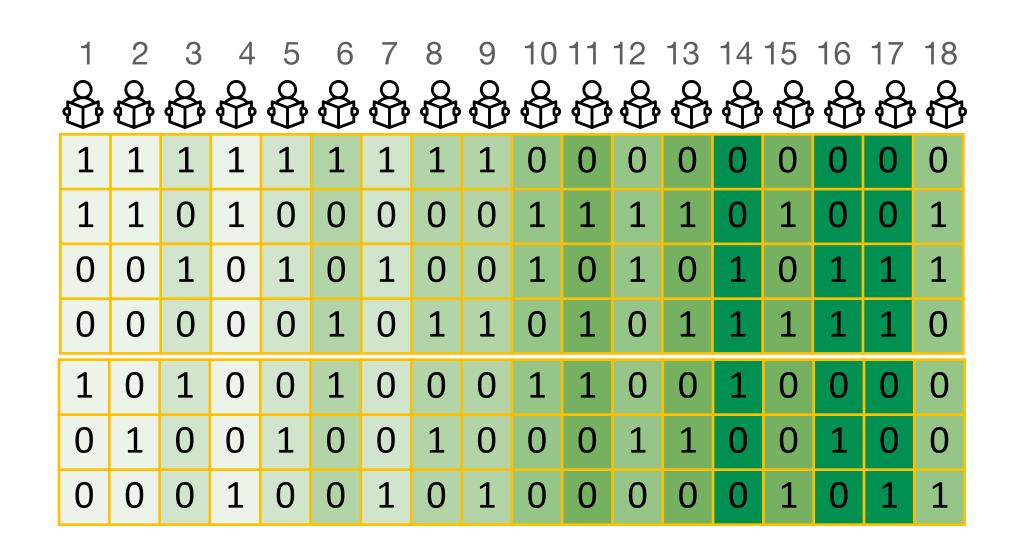


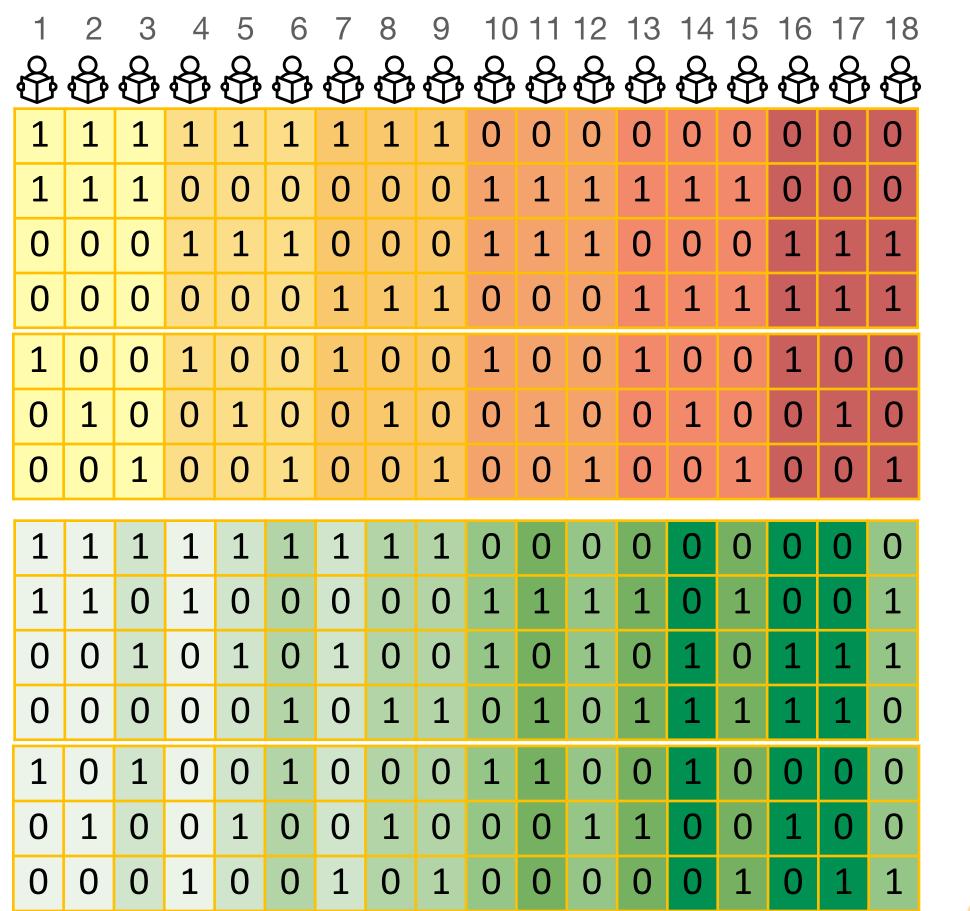
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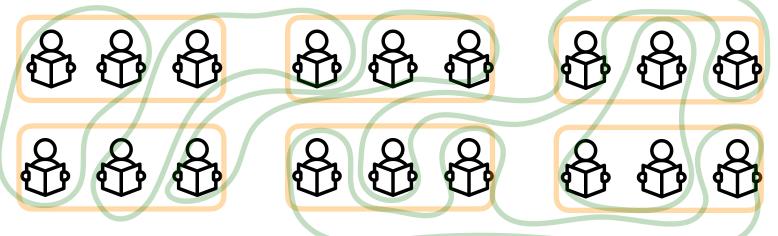
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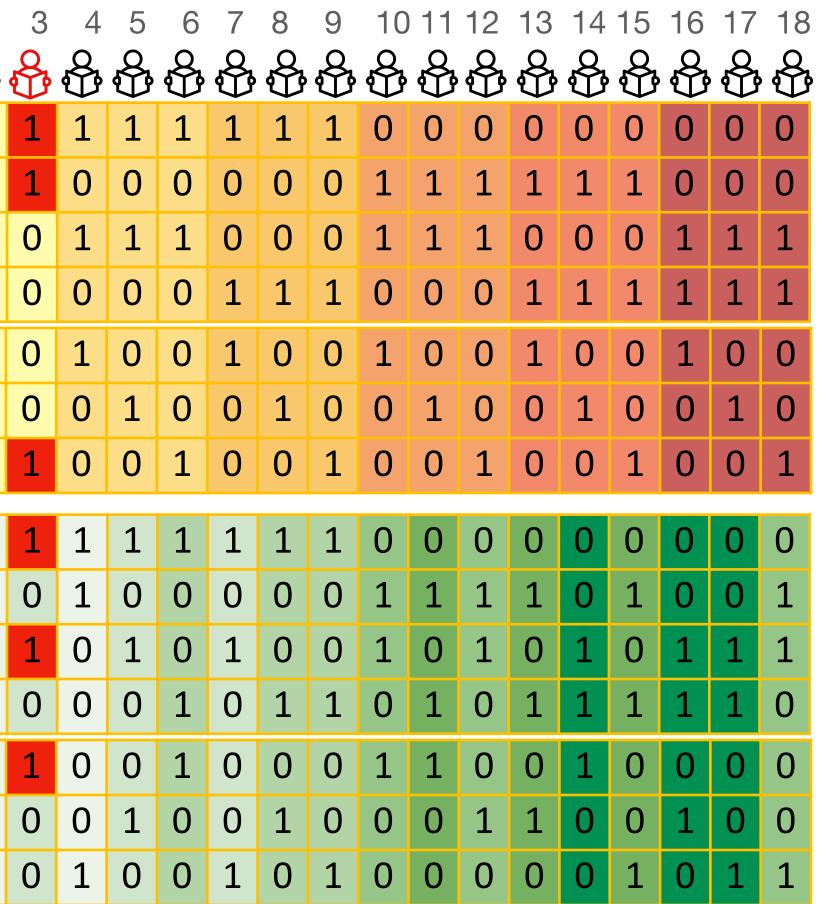
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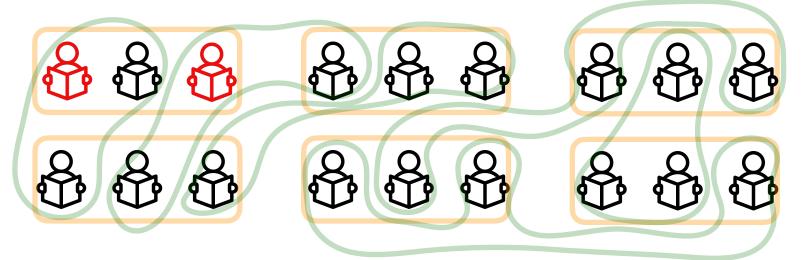
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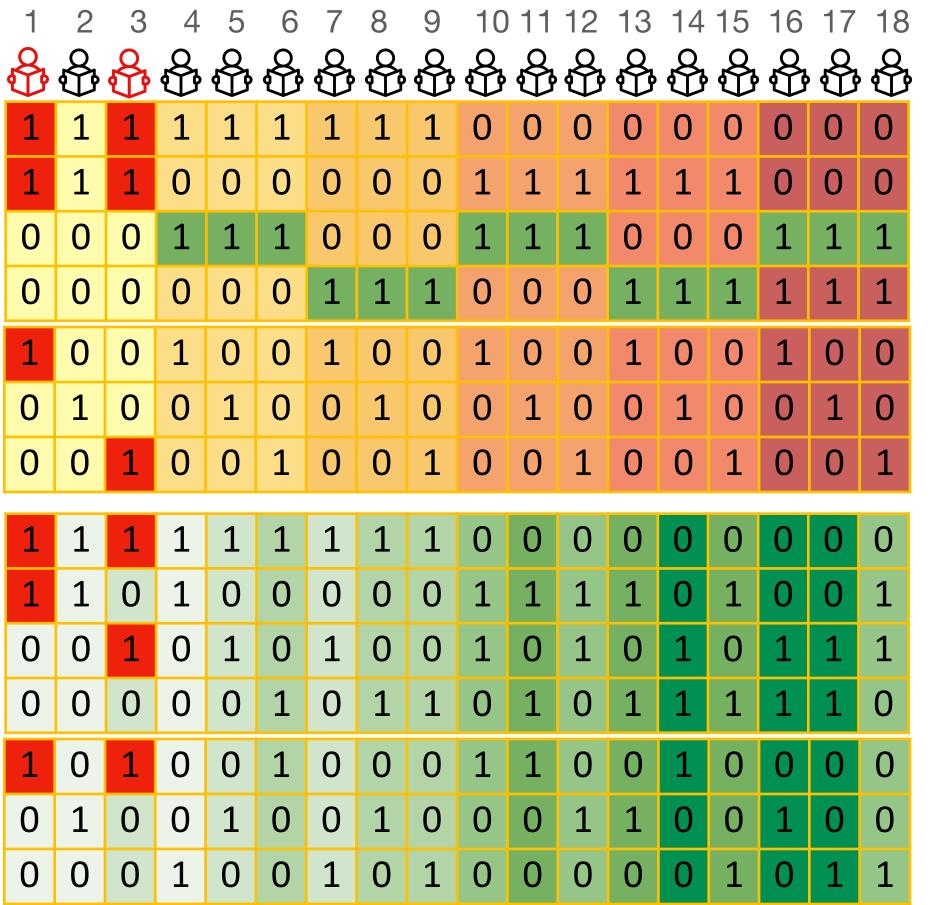
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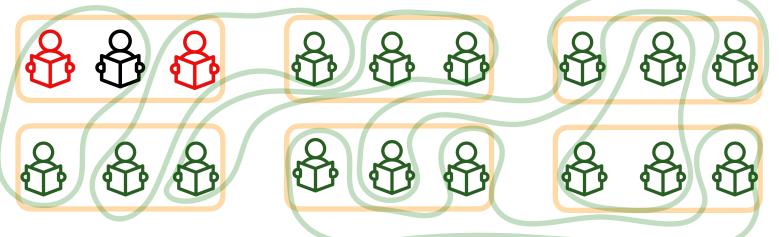
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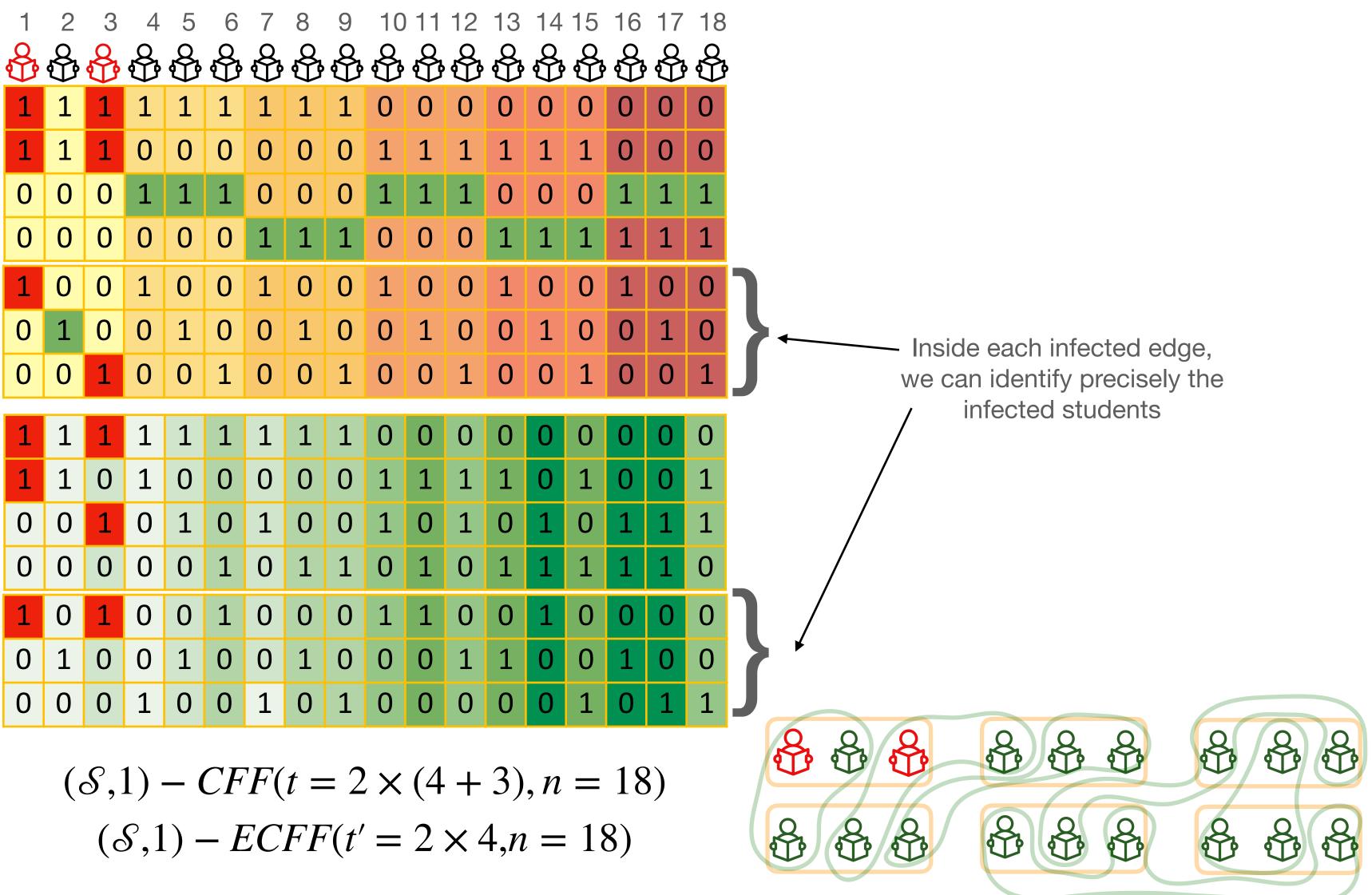
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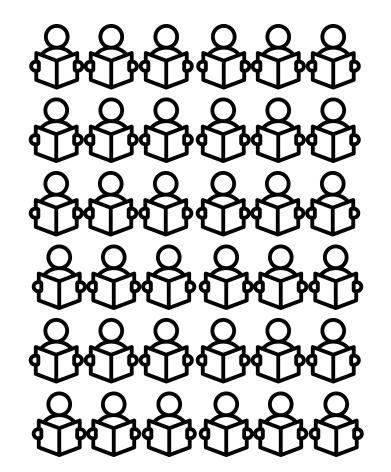


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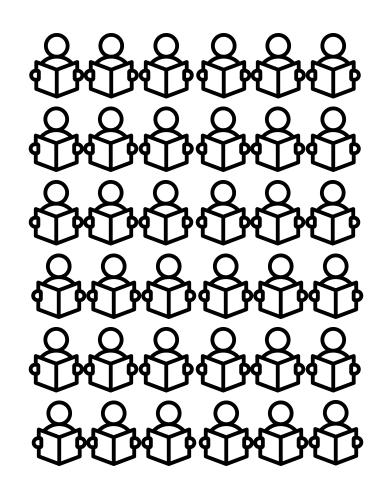


For a larger high school

- **n** = 900 studens
- Each student taking 4 courses (4 colour classes)
- Total of m = 120 courses (edges)
- Each course with 30 students (cardinality of edges)
- Tests:
 - Use 1 CFF(7, 30 = 120/4)
 - t' = 7x4 = 28 tests to detect infected edges (course of outbreak)
 - t = 28+30x4 = **148** tests to identify all infected individuals

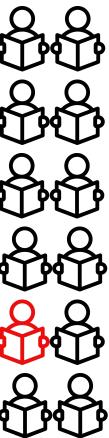


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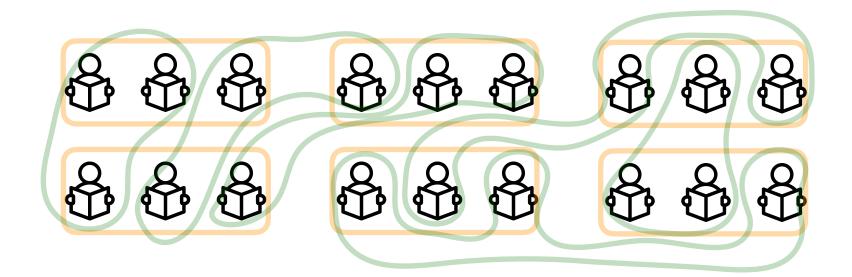
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Overlapping edge construction $(\mathcal{S},1) - CFF(t,n)$

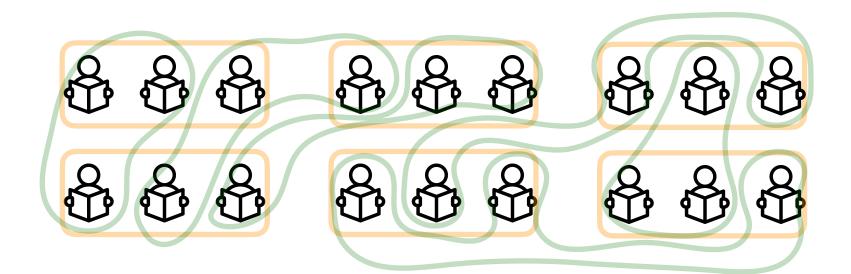
- Consider a hypergraph \mathcal{H} with edge chromatic number $\chi(\mathcal{H}) = \ell$ and colour classes $\mathcal{C}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{C}_\ell$
- If \mathscr{H} is k-uniform: we have $(\mathscr{S},1) CFF(t,n)$ and $(\mathscr{S},1) ECFF(t',n)$
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 - Start with $1 CFF(t_i, |\mathscr{C}_i| + \delta_i), 1 \le i \le \ell$

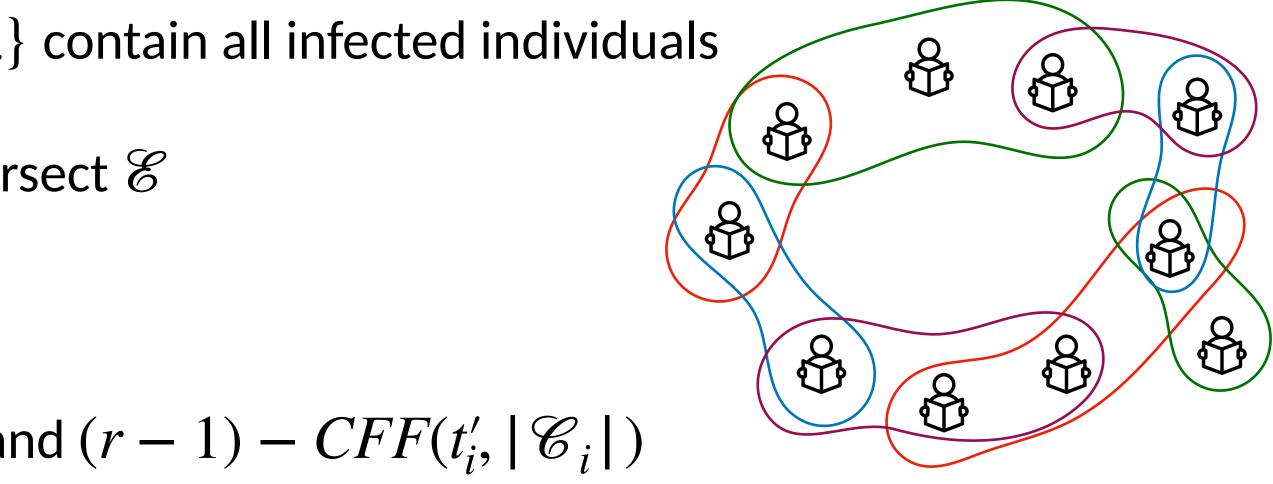
• $t = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (t_i + k_i), \quad k_i = \max \text{ edge in colour class } \mathscr{C}_i$ $t' = \sum_{i=1}^{\circ} t_i$



Overlapping edge construction $(\mathcal{S}, r) - CFF(t, n)$

- Generalization for $(\mathcal{S}, r) CFF(t, n)$ using strong edge-colouring
 - Assuming that r edges $\mathscr{E} = \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_r\}$ contain all infected individuals
 - There are at most r edges in \mathscr{C}_i which intersect \mathscr{C}
 - \mathscr{C}_i contains at most r infected edges
 - Use a combination of $r CFF(t_i, |\mathscr{C}_i|)$ and $(r 1) CFF(t_i, |\mathscr{C}_i|)$

$$(\mathcal{S}, r) - CFF(t, n) \text{ with } t \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} (t_i + k_i t_i)$$

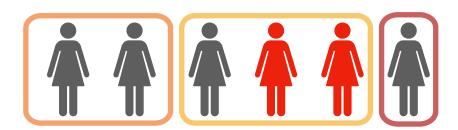


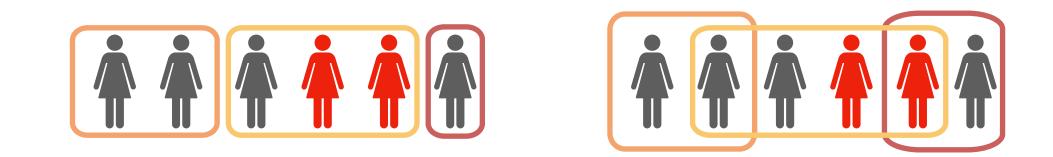
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Structure-aware CFFs

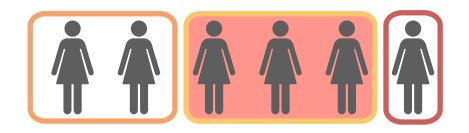
Overlapping and non-overlapping edges:

Configurations:





$(\mathcal{S}, r) - CFF(t, n)$ and $(\mathcal{S}, r) - ECFF(t, n)$



Future work on structure-aware CFFs

- Explore other constraints of the applications
 - Limit on number of 1s per row and/or column
- Generalize definitions to allow flexible internal identification
 - Assume a bound on the number of infected items inside an edge (instead of edge size)
- Explore probabilistic constructions
- Compare constructions with known lower bounds

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