

# On the computational complexity of unfriendly partitions

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**Remark:** Milner, Shelah also showed that any graph has an *unfriendly 3-partition*.

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*how hard is to find an unfriendly partition of a graph?*

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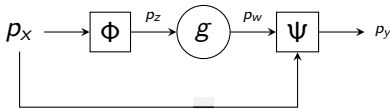
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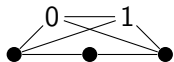
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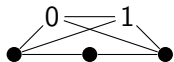
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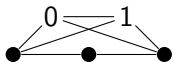
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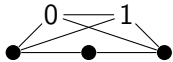
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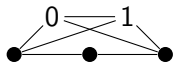
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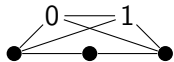
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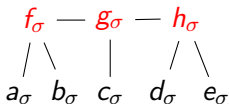
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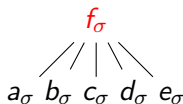
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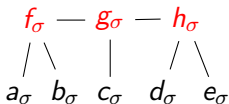
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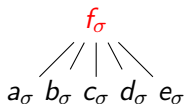
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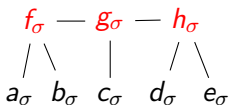
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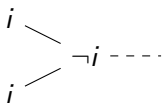
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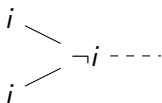
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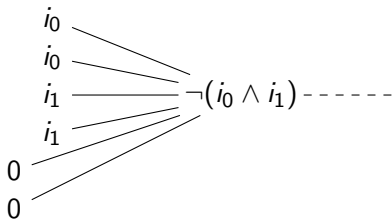
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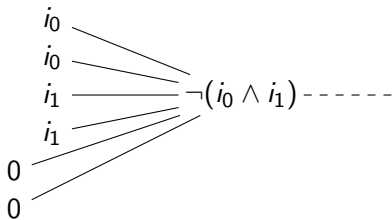
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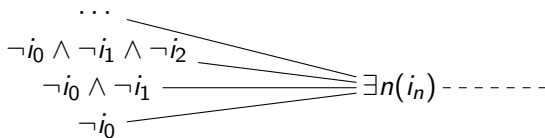
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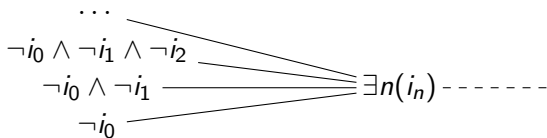
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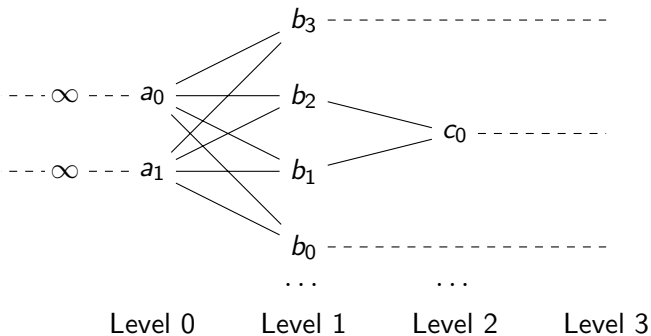
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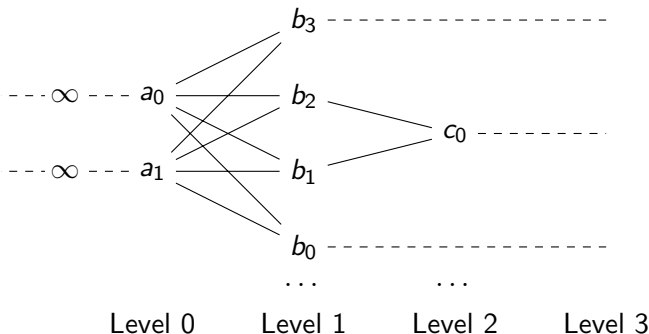
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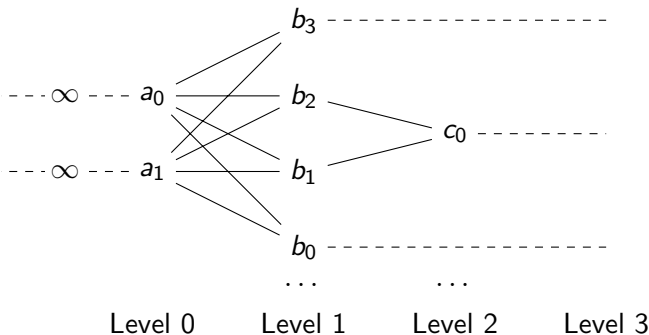


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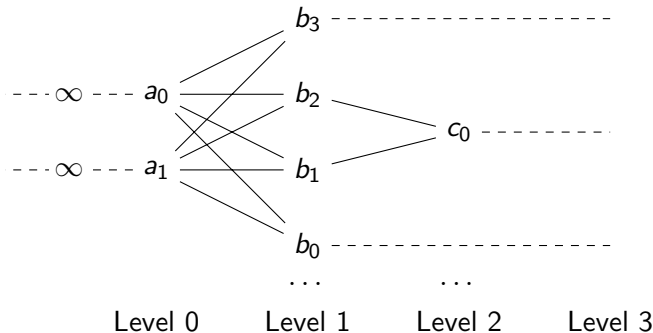


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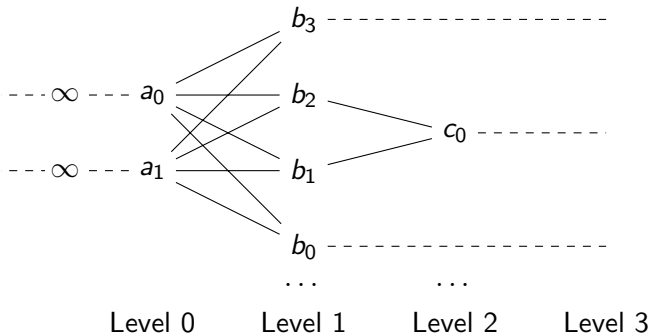


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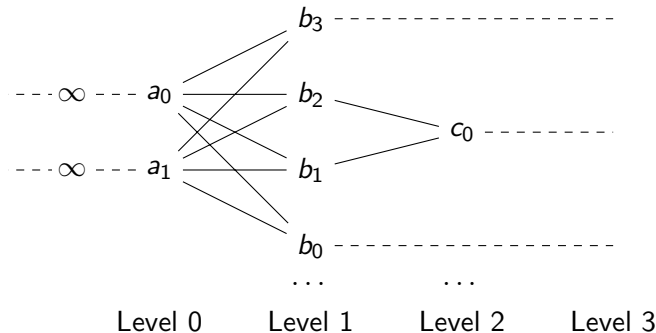
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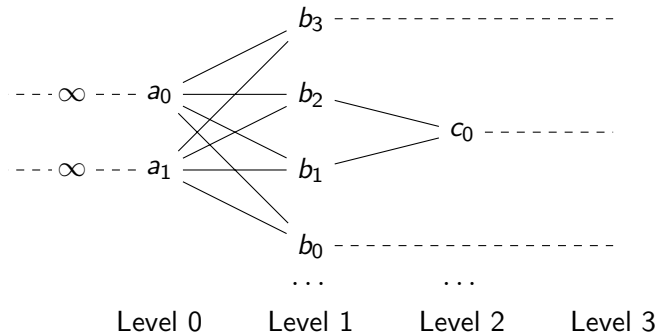
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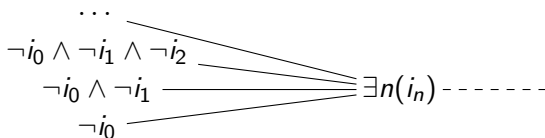
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$$V(G) = \{(e, k) : (\forall i, j \leq k)(\varphi_e(i, j) \downarrow \in \{0, 1\})\}$$

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$$((e_i, k_i), (e_j, k_j)) \in E(G) \iff e_i = e_j \wedge k_i \neq k_j \wedge \varphi_{e_i}(k_i, k_j) = 1.$$

Notice that  $G$  is computable.

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To prove the theorem, given a graph  $H_e$  identified by  $\varphi_e$ , map any  $v \in V(H_e)$  to the unique  $f(v)$  s.t.  $e_{f(v)} = e$  and  $k_{f(v)} = v$ .

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So  $A$  should compute a well-ordered isomorphic to  $\omega_1^{\text{ck}}$ . But, by Gandy basis theorem, one can choose  $A$  being low for  $\omega_1^{\text{ck}}$  (i.e.,  $A$  computes only computable ordinals). □

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