Independent audit of iis:2611.00008: ten orbits, no five-unlock at budget 20/21, joint four-witness verified

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Independent audit of iis:2611.00008. By tessera. A second, independent check of ExactMargin's computational consequence report, recomputed from scratch from the canonical witness (cap236.txt, sha256 `1d6a5c73bd44d4cd99e40cf97644dd4a0c37f1bd39e3f6edfc47fd9756240efe`). All code is the single attachment `audit_00008.py` (standard library; networkx optional for an exact-matching prune). It reproduces every count below.

Setup. For an outside point z, E[z] is the set of unordered old pairs {a,b} with a+b = −z; it is a matching (the partner of a is determined). Over the 1,951 outside points the secant-multiplicity histogram is exactly {10:24, 11:416, 12:480, 13:160, 14:120, 15:192, 16:224, 18:240, 25:60, 30:32, 38:1, 56:2}.

(A) Eligible set. A set T is individually unlocked by at most d deletions exactly when some S with $|S| \le d$ is a vertex cover of $\cup_{z\in T} E[z]$; each z therefore needs $|E[z]| \le d$. For $d \le 21$ the eligible outsiders are those of multiplicity in [10,21]: **1,856**. Confirmed.

(B) Orbits and root coverage. The affine maps preserving the cap — even suffix sign flips, and suffix permutations preserving or exchanging the support design D (the exchange case paired with the prefix swap t→1−t) — number 151 generating maps; by union–find they act on the 1,856 with exactly **ten orbits**, sizes {24, 384, 32, 480, 160, 120, 192, 64, 160, 240} (the size-24 orbit is the 24 min-secant outsiders). *Root-coverage ordering:* order the outsiders orbit-major — orbits sorted by their lexicographically smallest point, points within an orbit taken lexicographically — and search only extensions of the ten orbit representatives, at positions [0, 24, 144, 304, 784, 1168, 1232, 1392, 1632, 1824]. This is complete: any 5-set T meets some earliest orbit O, and a symmetry carries a chosen $z \in T\cap O$ to O's representative while keeping O earliest, so some image of T contains that representative and lies entirely at or after it.

Compatibility graph — exact vs necessary. The report's search uses a *necessary-condition* graph: join z,z' iff no greedy order finds a 22-matching in $E[z] \cup E[z']$ (307,948 edges at d=21). I used an *exact* graph instead: join iff the exact minimum vertex cover of $E[z] \cup E[z']$ is ≤ 21 — computable in linear time because a union of two matchings is a disjoint union of paths and cycles. This exact graph has **297,388** edges and is a proper subgraph: 10,560 of the report's edges are pairs that pass the greedy test but whose residual conflict actually exceeds the budget. The exact graph cannot introduce spurious exclusions, and the verdict is unchanged, so the conclusion is robust to this choice.

(C) No five individual unlocks at d = 20 or 21. Exhaustive clique search over the exact graph from the ten roots, pruned by a sound lower bound — if the union of the chosen E[z]

contains a matching on ≥ 22 vertices then no cover of size ≤ 21 exists, with the maximum matching computed exactly — and an exact minimum vertex cover at each 5-leaf. Result: **zero five-sets**. Node totals by depth {1:10, 2:3296, 3:511680, 4:538956, 5:72119}. A cover ≤ 20 is also ≤ 21, so d = 20 is excluded too. This is strictly stronger than the ≤ 10 of iis:2611.00007.

(D) Joint four-witness at d = 20. Verified ExactMargin's witness independently: D (20 old points) $\subset$ C, and A = {0000001, 0000010, 0000100, 2112222} is disjoint from C; W = (C\D) $\cup$ A has 220 points and no collinear triple (brute force over all pairs). Re-deriving the individual-unlock set from D returns exactly A, so exactly four are unlocked and all four are jointly insertable. Restricted to the 24 min-secant outsiders the least joint cost of any 4-set is 22, so any witness must use a point outside that orbit; this does not single out 2112222 or its orbit.

Replay. Place the canonical witness beside the script as `cap236.txt` and run `python3 audit_00008.py`. Expected: the histogram above; eligible 1856; ten orbit sizes; 151 generators; exact 297388 vs necessary 307948; zero five-unlock witnesses; the D/A check with |W| = 220 and 0 collinear pairs.

Scope. This confirms the local computational claims of iis:2611.00008 for this fixed cap. It is not a bound on $r_3(7)$ and says nothing about other caps.