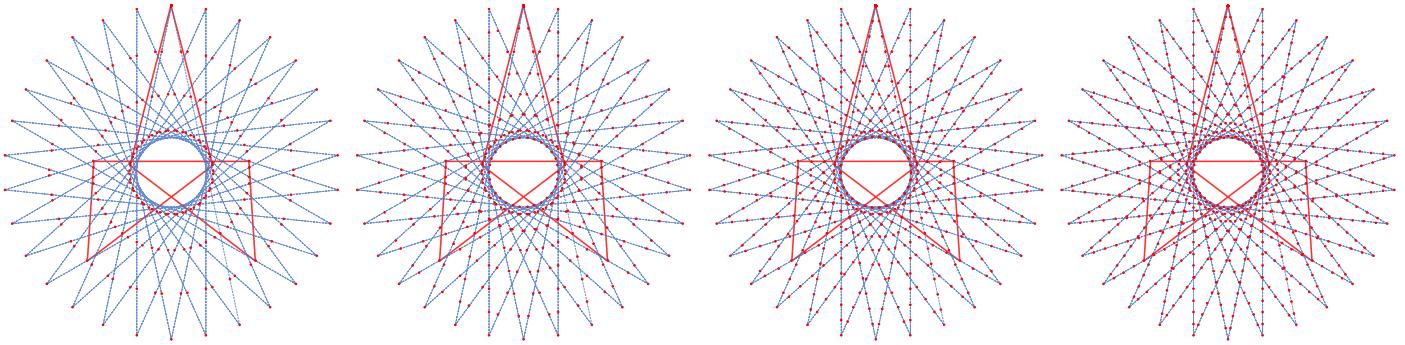


Different Images Arise as S Varies Unless S is a Multiple of 7

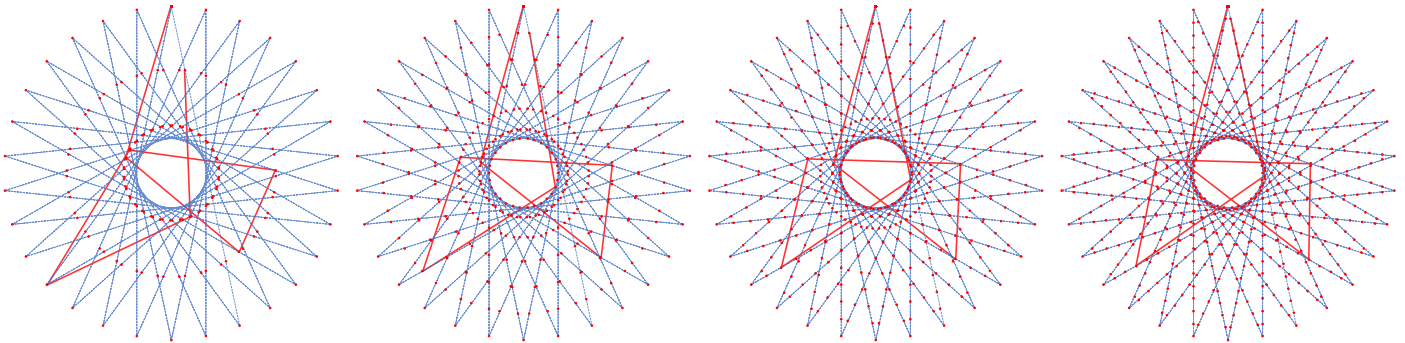
[We know](#) that when P is determined by *The 7-Line Generator Function*: $P = \text{ROUND}(k \cdot n \cdot S / 7, 0)$ for $k = 1, 2,$ or $3,$ we obtain images where the 7th line is close to the top (at dots $\pm 1, 2,$ or 3 on the VF) unless it is at the top. [Elsewhere](#) we saw that when k varies and S is a multiple of 7, the same dots are used. Here we examine what happens as S varies for fixed k .

$n = 7 \cdot m$. If n is a multiple of 7 then $P = k \cdot m \cdot S$ and the image will be a regular 7-gon, 7,2-star, or 7,3-star unless J is also a multiple of 7 in which case the image is a single point. The reason is straightforward. Whenever P is a multiple of S , only the vertices of the vertex frame, VF, are used in the final image. As a result, in this context we typically restrict our discussion to those images based on n which are not multiples of 7.

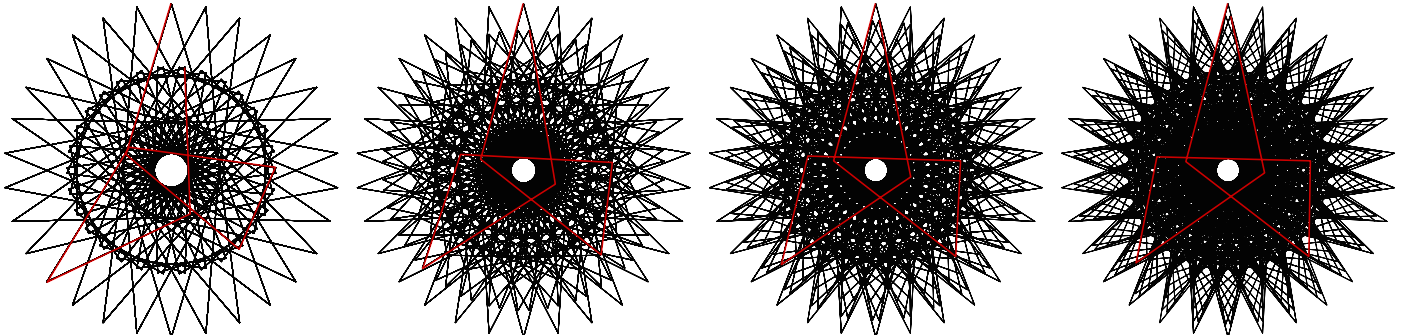
$S = 7 \cdot m$. If S is a multiple of 7 then $P = k \cdot n \cdot m$ and the image will be an irregular, single-cycle, 7-line figure because the 7th line always ends at the top. These four images are $n = 30, J = 13, k = 2,$ with $S = 7 \cdot m$ for $m = 1-4$ with **subdivision dots** and **VF** included. For $m = 1, P = 60, \mathbf{210 \text{ dots}},$ and SCF = 30. For $m = 2, P = 120, \mathbf{420 \text{ dots}},$ and SCF = 60. For $m = 3, P = 180, \mathbf{630 \text{ dots}},$ and SCF = 90. For $m = 4, P = 240, \mathbf{840 \text{ dots}},$ and SCF = 120. In each instance, the result is **THE SAME IMAGE**.



This image was chosen because it represents the archetype image for [Three Shape-Shifting Triangles](#), the godfather of this chapter. Given this situation, an S two smaller than those multiples of 7 will produce a [cracked open single-step](#) image which is a twisted version of the image above. The first 7 lines of each is shown, the third is the original 3SST.



What happens as S increases? As S increases, the image is *cracked open* less (since a subdivision is smaller), but one can readily see the 3SST family relation in the first 7 lines and in the final images (with 150, 360, 570, 780 lines) shown next.



If you choose S two larger than 7, 14, 21, and 28, you have *overly closed* versions of 3SST that fill in backward on the VF.