## Exercise 8: Datalog

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2. For $\varphi$ with quantifier rank $r$, consider counterexamples of size $d=3^{r}$ :


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