

Structural and algorithmic aspects of identification problems in graphs

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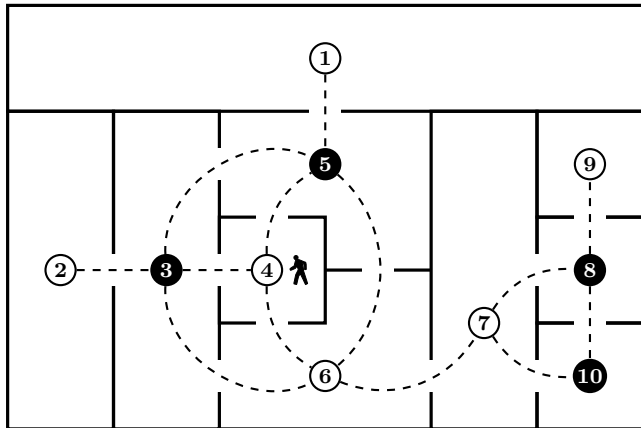
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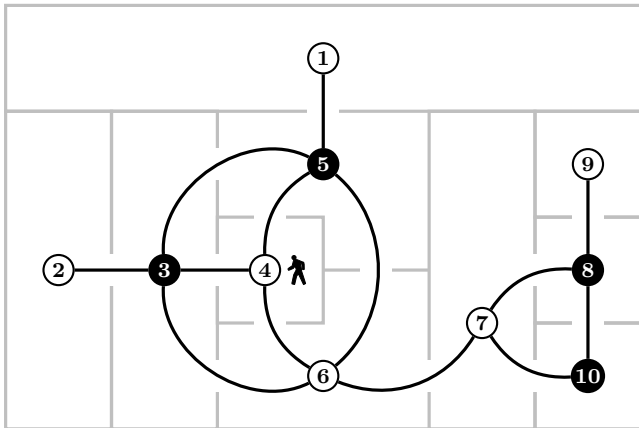


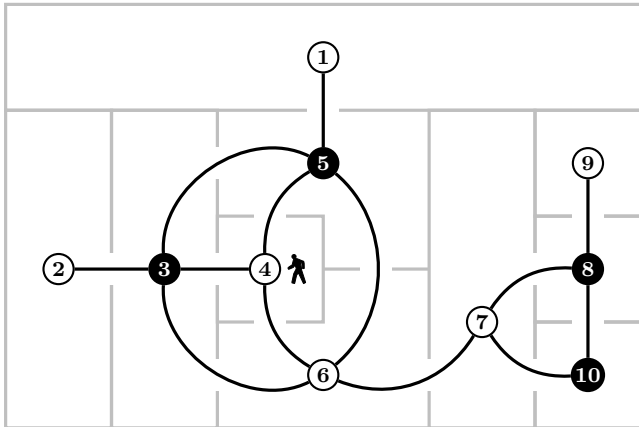
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Part I. Introduction:

Identification problems in graphs







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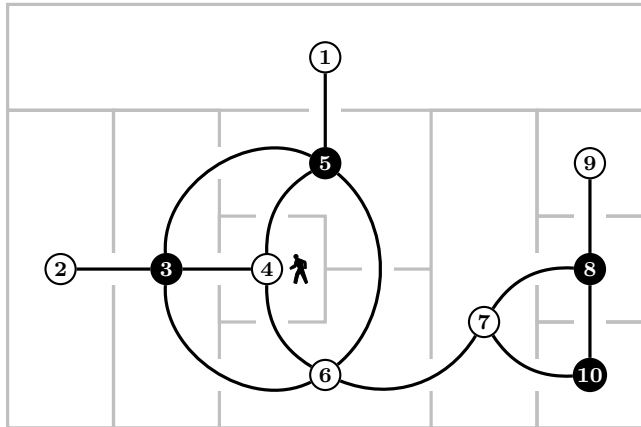
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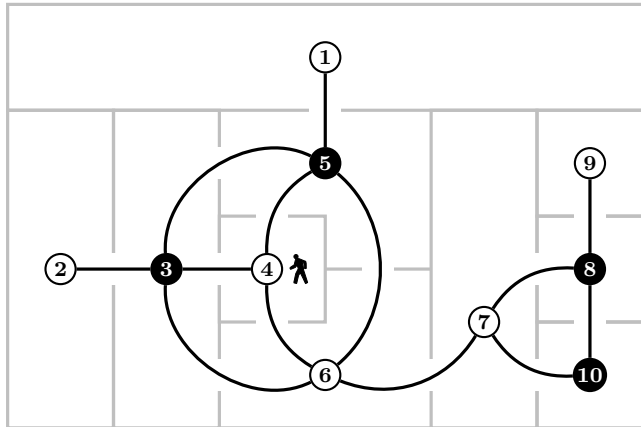
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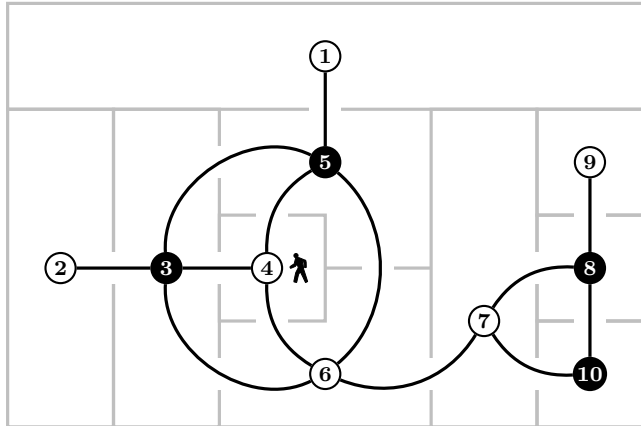
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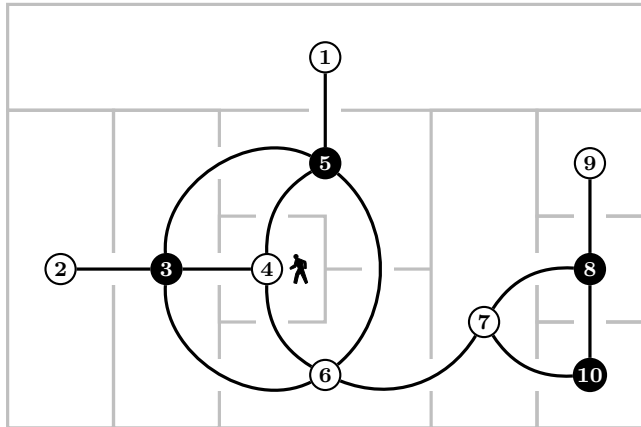
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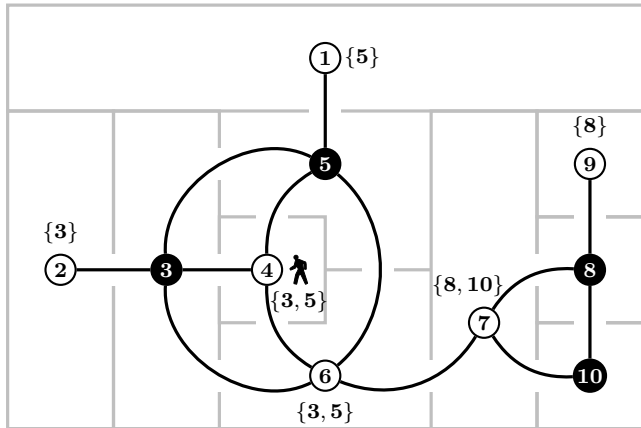
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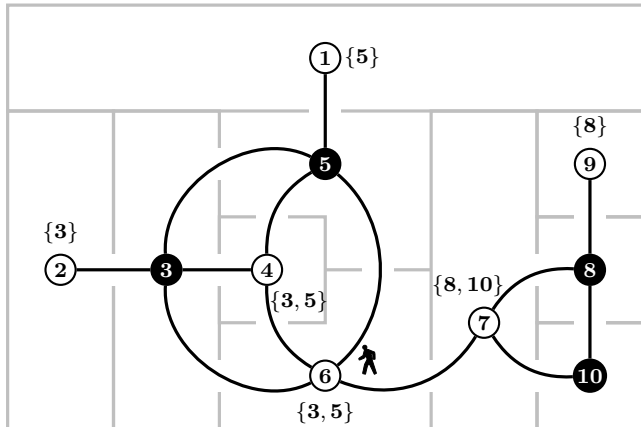
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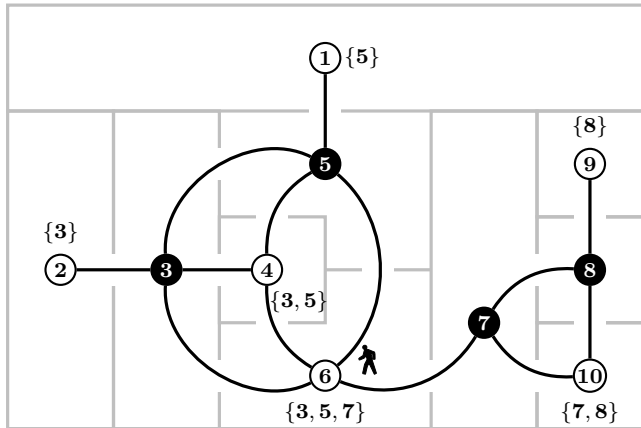
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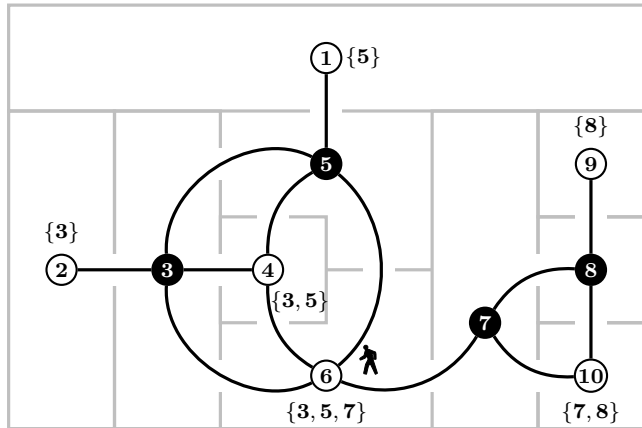
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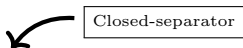
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A vertex subset C of a graph G is called...

Locating set: if $(N(u) \Delta N(v)) \cap C \neq \emptyset$ for all $u, v \in V \setminus C$

No faults in detectors: Detectors can distinguish between its vertex and its neighbor



Closed-separating set: if $(N[u] \Delta N[v]) \cap C \neq \emptyset$ for all $u, v \in V$

Detector fault type 1: Detector cannot distinguish between itself and its neighbors

Open-separating set: if $(N(u) \Delta N(v)) \cap C \neq \emptyset$ for all $u, v \in V$

Detector fault type 2: Detector is completely disabled / destroyed

Full-separating set: if $(N[u] \Delta N[v]) \cap C = (N(u) \Delta N(v)) \cap C \neq \emptyset$ for all $u, v \in V$

Detector fault type 1 and detector fault type 2

A code C must intersect the following sets...

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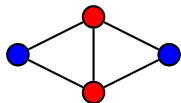
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	Locating-dominating	Locating total-dominating	Closed-separating dominating	Closed-separating total-dominating	Open-separating dominating	Open-separating total-dominating	Full-separating dominating	Full-separating total-dominating

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Existence of codes...

Codes	LD	LTD	OD	OTD	CD	CTD	FD	FTD
no isolated vertices		x		x		x		x
no open twins			x	x			x	x
no closed twins					x	x	x	x



open twins $N(u) = N(v) \iff N(u) \triangle N(v) = \emptyset$
closed twins $N[u] = N[v] \iff N[u] \triangle N[v] = \emptyset$

Year	Code	Authors
1988:	LD-code	P. Slater
1998:	CD-code	M. Karpovsky, K. Chakrabarty & L. Levitin
2002: 2010:	OTD-code	I. Honkala, T. Laihonon, S Ranto S. Seo & P. Slater
2006:	LTD-code ITD-code	T. Haynes, M. Henning & J. Howard
2024:	OD-code FD-code FTD-code	D. Chakraborty & A. Wagler

$X \in \text{CODES} = \{\text{LD, LTD, CD, CTD, OD, OTD, FD, FTD}\}$

X-number: $\gamma^X(G) = \min\{|C| : C \text{ is an X-code of } G\}$

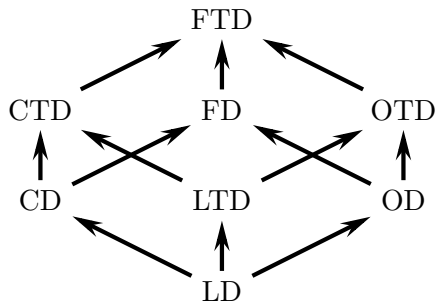
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Total-domination number:

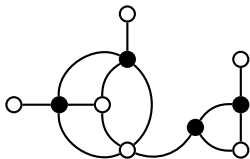
$\gamma_t(G) = \min\{|C| : C \text{ is a total-dominating set of } G\}$

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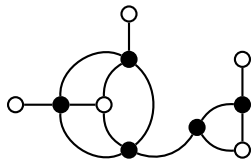
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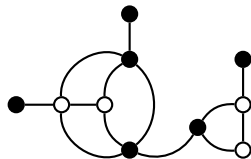
$X' \longrightarrow X$ stands for
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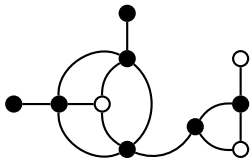
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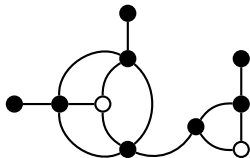
$$\gamma^{\text{OD}}(G) = \gamma^{\text{OTD}}(G) = 5.$$



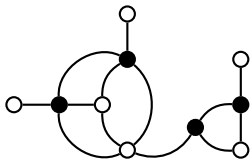
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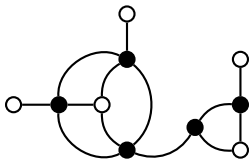
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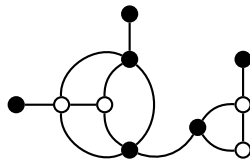
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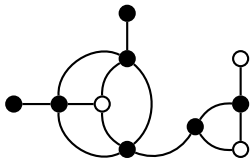
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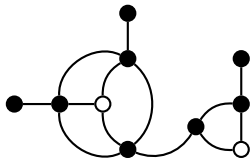
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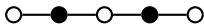
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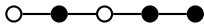
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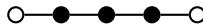
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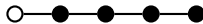
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Part II. Structural aspects of identification problems in graphs

Locating dominating codes on subcubic graphs...

— joint work with Anni Hakanen and Tuomo Lehtilä

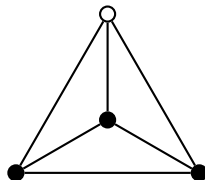
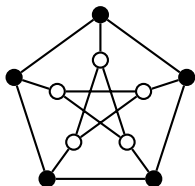
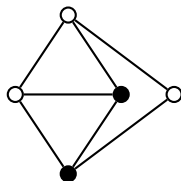
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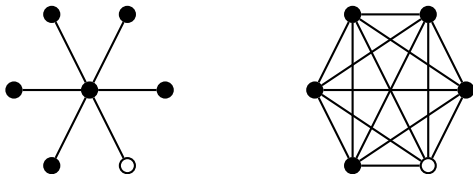
Subcubic graph: A graph in which each vertex is of degree at most 3.

Cubic graph: A graph in which each vertex is of degree exactly 3.



Conjecture (Garijo, González & Márques, 2014)

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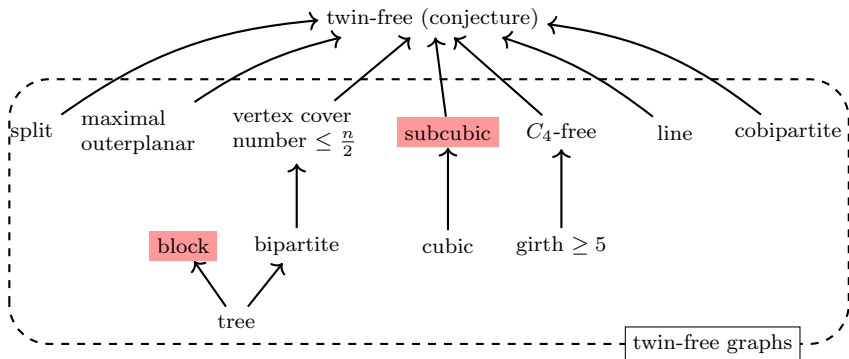


$$\gamma^{\text{LD}}(G) = n - 1, \gamma(G) = 1$$

Theorem (Ore, 1962)

If G is a connected graph on n vertices, then $\gamma(G) \leq \frac{n}{2}$.

The n -half conjecture is true for...



Theorem (Bousquet, Chuet, Falgas-Ravry, Jacques, Morelle, 2024)

If G is a connected twin-free graph on n vertices, then $\gamma^{\text{LD}}(G) \leq \lceil \frac{5}{8}n \rceil$.

Theorem (Foucaud and Henning, 2016)

If G is a twin-free, cubic graph of order n , then $\gamma^{\text{LD}}(G) \leq \frac{n}{2}$.

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ANSWER: **YES**; except $G \not\cong K_4, K_{3,3}$. [C., Hakanen & Lehtilä, 2024]

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ANSWER: **YES**; also with closed twins and degree 3 open twins.
[C., Hakanen & Lehtilä, 2024]

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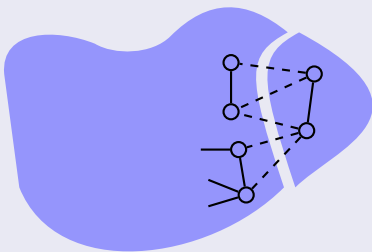
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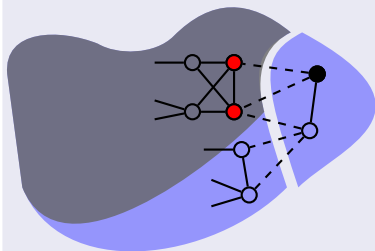
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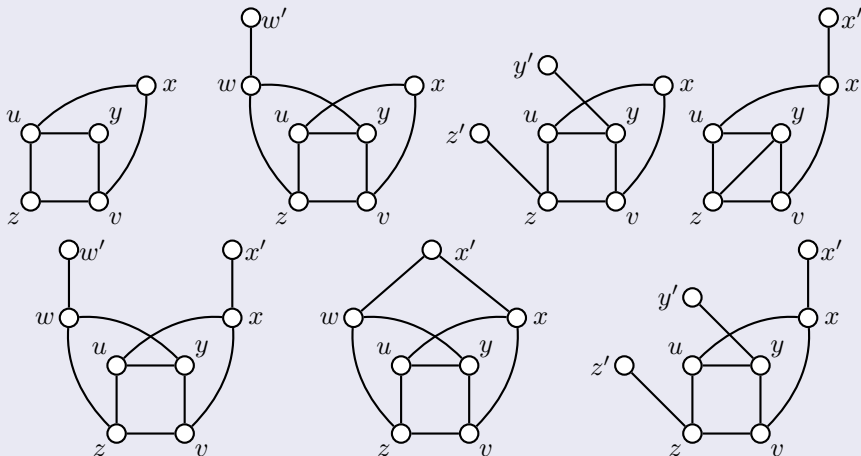
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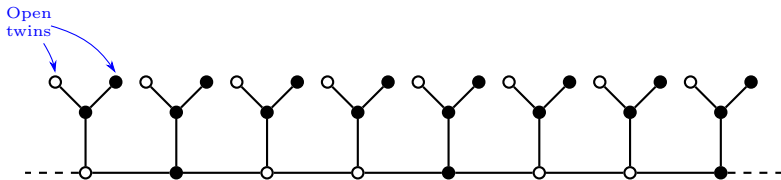


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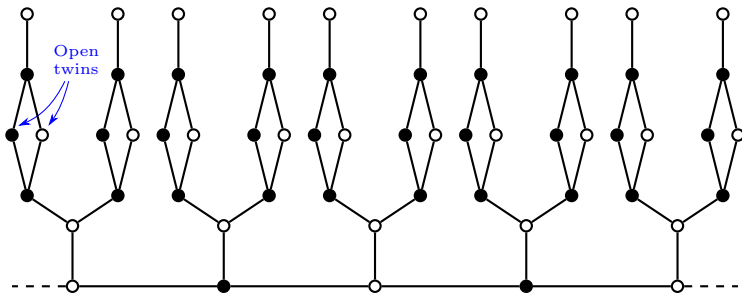
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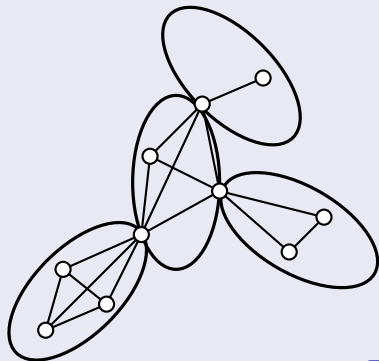
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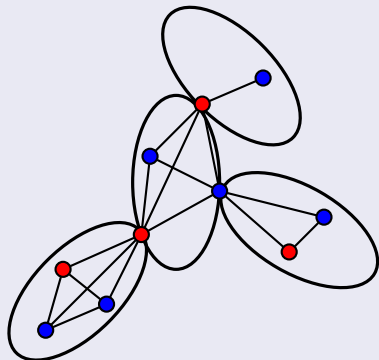
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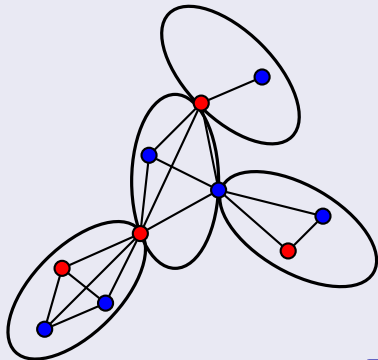
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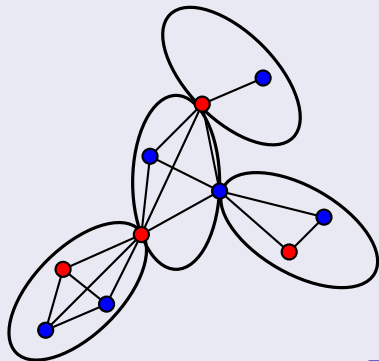
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A similar conjecture for LTD-codes...

Theorem (Cockayne, Dawes & Hedetniemi, 1980)

If G is a connected graph on n vertices, then $\gamma_t(G) \leq \frac{2}{3}n$.

Conjecture (Foucaud & Henning, 2016)

If a connected graph G on n vertices is twin-free, then $\gamma^{\text{LTD}}(G) \leq \frac{2}{3}n$

$\frac{2}{3}$ -bound for locating total-dominating codes...

— joint work with F. Foucaud, A. Hakanen, M. Henning & A. Wagler

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Theorem (C., Foucaud, Hakanen, Henning & Wagler, 2024)

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NP-hardness related to FD- and FTD-codes

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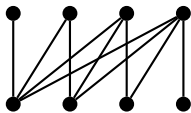
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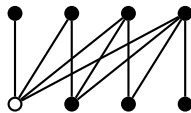
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Theorem (C. and Wagler, 2024)

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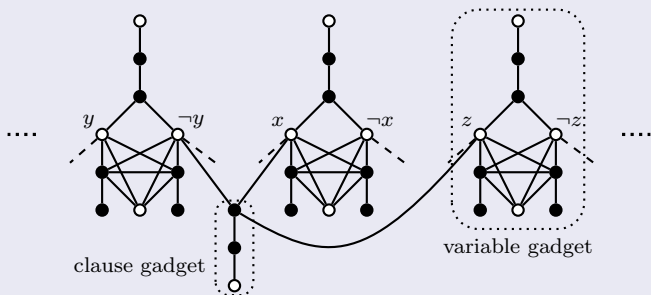
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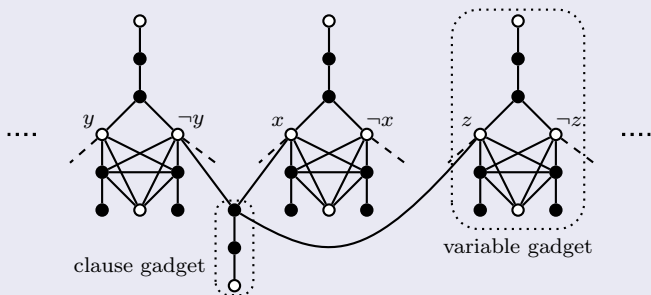
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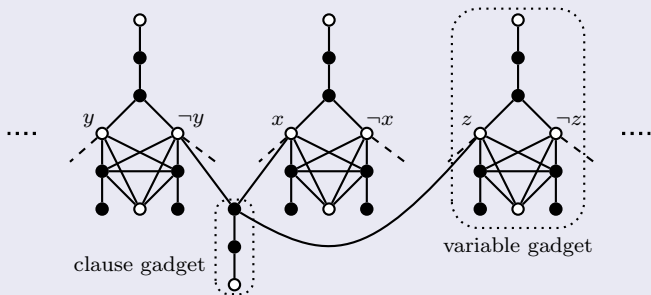
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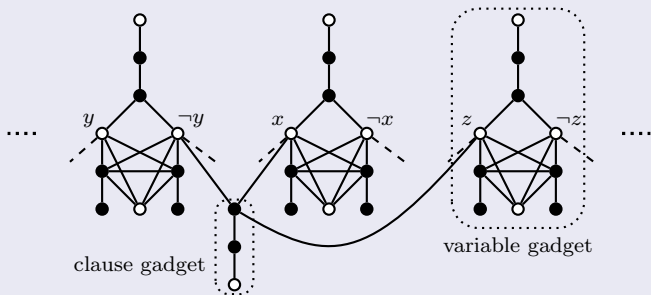
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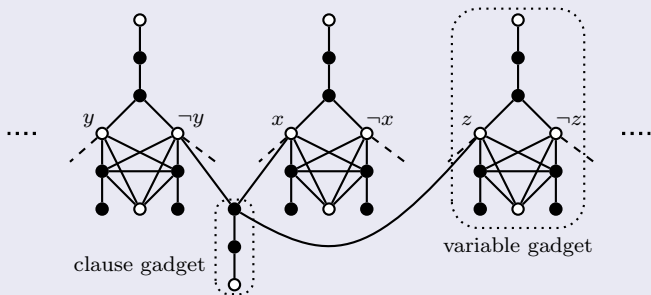
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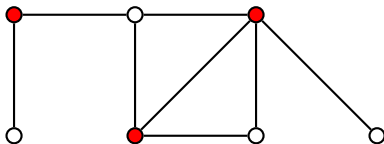
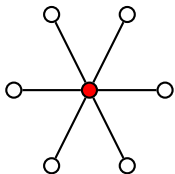
FPT algorithms for locating dominating code

— joint work with Florent Foucaud, Diptapriyo Majumdar and Prafullkumar Tale

(Université Clermont Auvergne / IIIT Delhi / IISER Bhopal)

Vertex cover: A set $S \subset V$ such that $V \setminus S$ is an independent set.

Vertex cover number: $vc = \min\{|S| : S \text{ is a vertex cover of } G\}$



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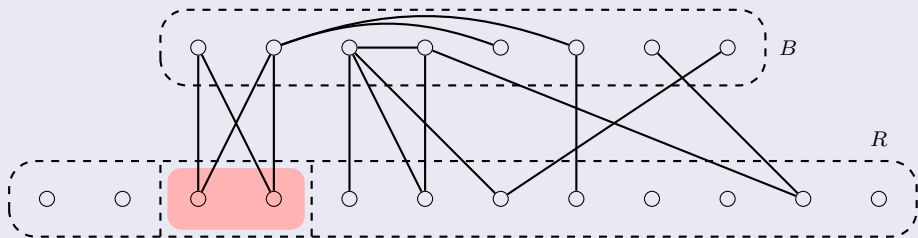
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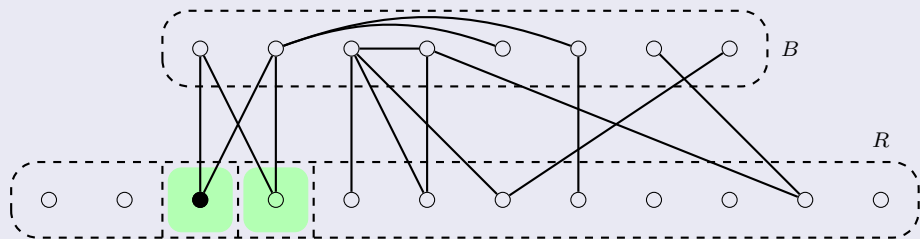
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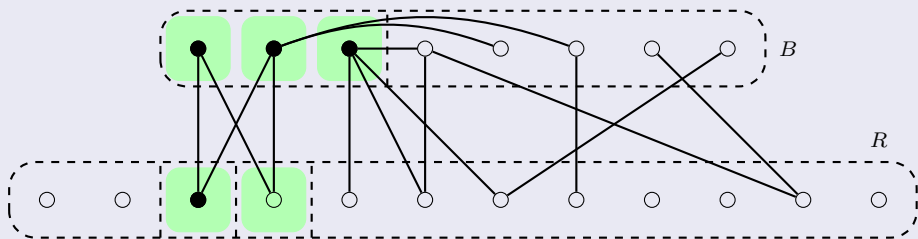
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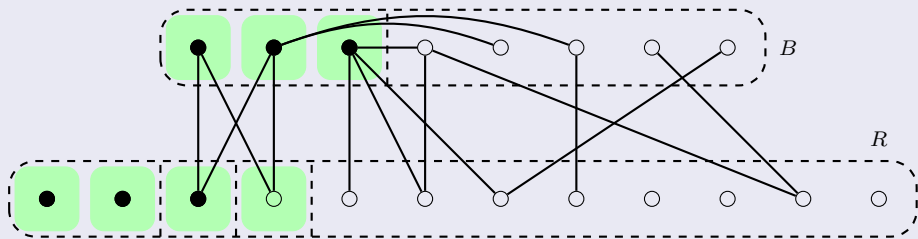
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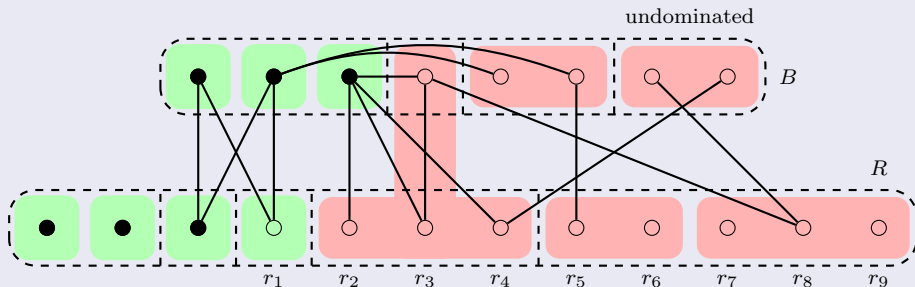
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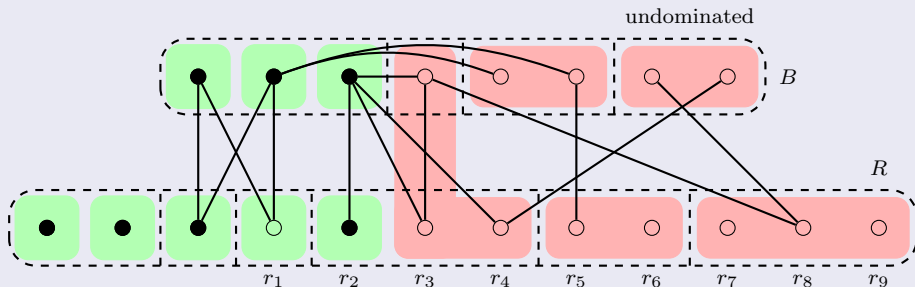
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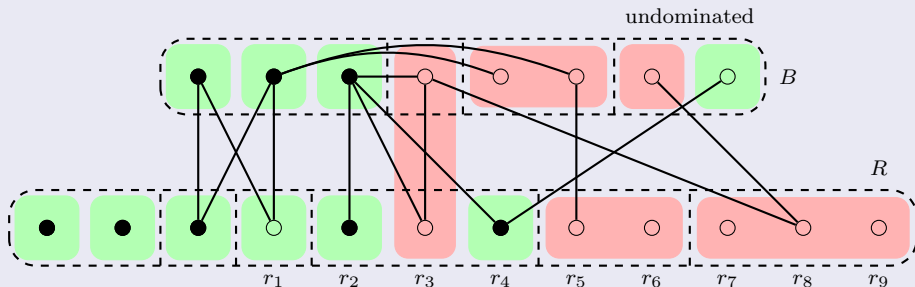
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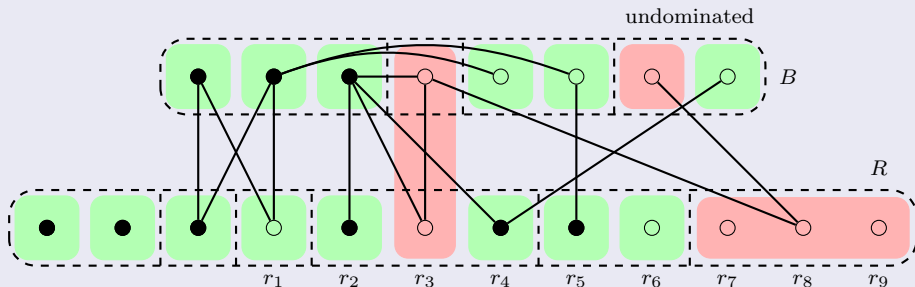
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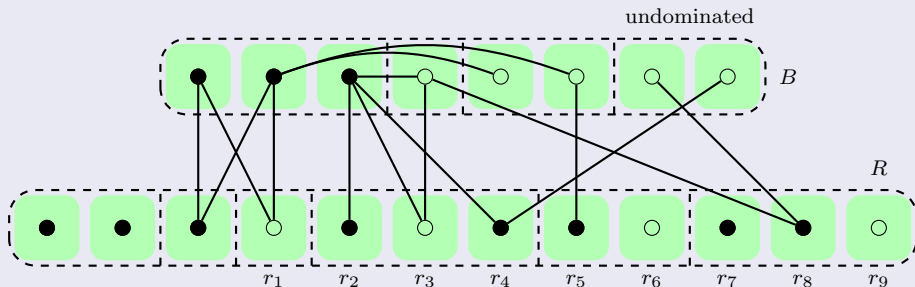
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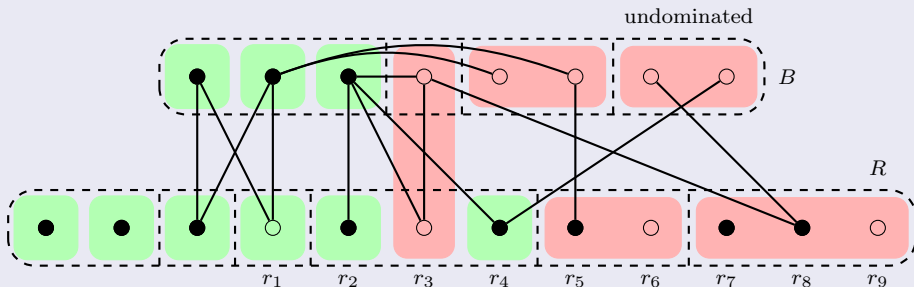
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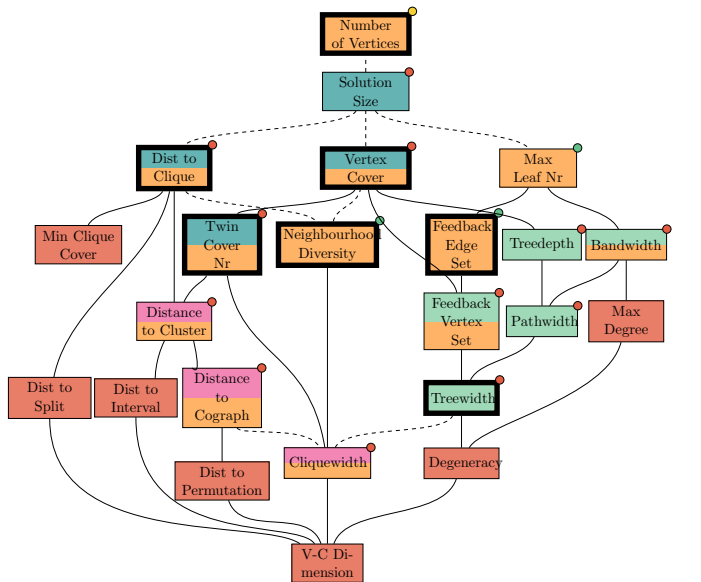
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Conclusion

- Introduction of new codes: **OD**, **FD** and **FTD**.
- Proving several **combinatorial conjectures** and **results on bounds** of all eight code numbers of graphs.
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Some questions...

Question (Conjecture: Garijo, González & Márques, 2014)

Can the n -half conjecture ($\gamma^{\text{LD}}(G) \leq \frac{n}{2}$) be proven in general?

Question (Conjecture: Foucaud & Henning, 2016)

Can the n -two-thirds conjecture ($\gamma^{\text{LTD}}(G) \leq \frac{2}{3}n$) be proven in general?

Question

What is the characterization of (twin-free) (sub)cubic graphs for which the above conjectures are tight?

Some questions...

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Can the $FD = FTD - 1$ problem be polynomial-time solvable on some graph classes? For example, for trees?

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Can the $OD = OTD - 1$ problem be polynomial-time solvable on some graph classes?

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FPT-algorithms for other codes (especially, the newer ones) in terms of graph parameters like vertex cover number, treewidth, etc?

A code must intersect the following sets...

Sep Code	L-Sep		C-Sep		O-Sep		F-Sep	
	LD	LTD	CD	CTD	OD	OTD	FD	FTD
adj	$N(u) \triangle N(v)$		$N[u] \triangle N[v]$		$N(u) \triangle N(v)$		$N[u] \triangle N[v]$	
non-adj	$N[u] \triangle N[v]$						$N(u) \triangle N(v)$	
D/TD	$N[u]$	$N(u)$	$N[u]$	$N(u)$	$N[u]$	$N(u)$	$N[u]$	$N(u)$

A code must intersect the following sets...

Sep Code	L-Sep		C-Sep		O-Sep		F-Sep	
	LLD	LLTD	CD	CTD	OD	OTD	FD	FTD
adj	$N(u) \triangle N(v)$		$N[u] \triangle N[v]$		$N(u) \triangle N(v)$		$N[u] \triangle N[v]$	
non-adj	V						$N(u) \triangle N(v)$	
D/TD	$N[u]$	$N(u)$	$N[u]$	$N(u)$	$N[u]$	$N(u)$	$N[u]$	$N(u)$

subset	Abbvr.	dist-1 separators	dist-2+ separators	nbhd
1	V. subset	$\{V(G)\}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$\{V(G)\}$
2	D-set	$\{V(G)\}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$N[u]$
3	TD-set	$\{V(G)\}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$N(u)$
4	CS-set	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$
5	OS-set	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$
6	LS-set	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$
7	FS-set	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$
8	LCS-set	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$\{V(G)\}$
9	LOS-set	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$\{V(G)\}$
10	NLCS-set	$\{V(G)\}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$
11	NLOS-set	$\{V(G)\}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$
12	CD-code	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$
13	OD-code	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N[u]$
14	LD-code	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N[u]$
15	FD-code	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N[u]$

	Abbrv.	dist-1 separators	dist-2+ separators	nbhd
16	CTD-code	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$
17	OTD-code	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$
18	LTD-code	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$
19	FTD-code	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$
20	LCD-code	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$N[u]$
21	LLD-code	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$N[u]$
22	LCTD-code	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$N(u)$
23	LLTD-code	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ adj}$	$\{V(G)\}$	$N(u)$
24	NLCD-code	$\{V(G)\}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N[u]$
25	NLOD-code	$\{V(G)\}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N[u]$
26	NLCTD-code	$\{V(G)\}$	$N[u] \triangle N[v], u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$
27	NLOTD-code	$\{V(G)\}$	$N(u) \triangle N(v), u, v \text{ non-adj}$	$N(u)$

Thank You!