

Bounding the identifying code number of a graph using its degree parameters

(a probabilistic approach)

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Definition - Identifying code of G (Karpovsky, Chakrabarty, Levitin, 1998)

Subset C of V such that:

- C is a **dominating set** in G : $\forall u \in V, N[u] \cap C \neq \emptyset$, and
- C is a **separating code** in G : $\forall u \neq v$ of $V, N[u] \cap C \neq N[v] \cap C$
Equivalently: $(N[u] \Delta N[v]) \cap C \neq \emptyset$ (covering symmetric differences)

Notation - Identifying code number

$\gamma^{\text{ID}}(G)$: minimum cardinality of an identifying code of G

Identifiable graphs

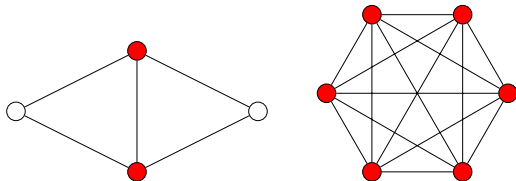
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Remark

Not all graphs have an identifying code!

Twins = pair u, v such that $N[u] = N[v]$.

A graph is **identifiable** iff it is **twin-free** (i.e. it has no twins).



Graph $G = (V, E)$, vertex $v \in V$.

- **degree** of v : number of edges it is incident to
- **minimum degree** δ of G : min. degree of a vertex in G
- **maximum degree** d of G : max. degree of a vertex in G
- **d -regular graph**: all vertices have degree d

Theorem (Karpovsky, Chakrabarty, Levitin, 1998 + Gravier, Moncel, 2007)

Let G be an identifiable graph with at least one edge, then

$$\lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil \leq \gamma^{\text{ID}}(G) \leq n-1$$

Theorem (Karpovsky, Chakrabarty, Levitin, 1998)

Let G be an identifiable graph with maximum degree d , then

$$\frac{2n}{d+2} \leq \gamma^{\text{ID}}(G)$$

Conjecture (F., Klasing, Kosowski, Raspaud, 2009+)

There exists a constant c , such that for every connected nontrivial identifiable graph G of max. degree d ,

$$\gamma^{\text{ID}}(G) \leq n - \frac{n}{d} + c$$

This would be tight. True for $d = 2$ and $d = n - 1$.

Technique initiated, among others, by Pál Erdős
used mainly in combinatorics (Ramsey theory, graph theory, ...)

- 1 Define a suitable **probability space**
- 2 Select some object from this space **using randomness**
- 3 Prove that with **nonzero probability**, certain "good" conditions hold
- 4 Conclusion: there **always exists** a "good" object

Classic reference: Noga Alon and Joel Spencer, *The probabilistic method*

$NF(G)$: proportion of **non** forced vertices of G

$$NF(G) = \frac{\# \text{non-forced vertices in } G}{\# \text{vertices in } G}$$

Theorem (F., Perarnau, 2011+)

There exists an integer d_0 such that for each identifiable graph G on n vertices having maximum degree $d \geq d_0$ and no isolated vertices,

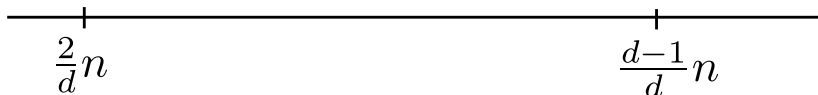
$$\gamma^{\text{ID}}(G) \leq n - \frac{n \cdot NF(G)^2}{85d}$$

Corollary

- In general, $NF(G) \geq \frac{1}{d+1}$ and $\gamma^{\text{ID}}(G) \leq n - \frac{n}{\Theta(d^3)}$
- If G is d -regular, $NF(G) = 1$ and $\gamma^{\text{ID}}(G) \leq n - \frac{n}{85d}$.
- If G has clique number bounded by k , $NF(G) \geq \frac{1}{c(k)}$ and $\gamma^{\text{ID}}(G) \leq n - \frac{n}{\Theta(d)}$.

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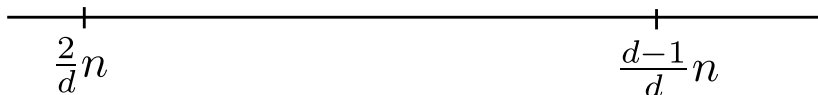


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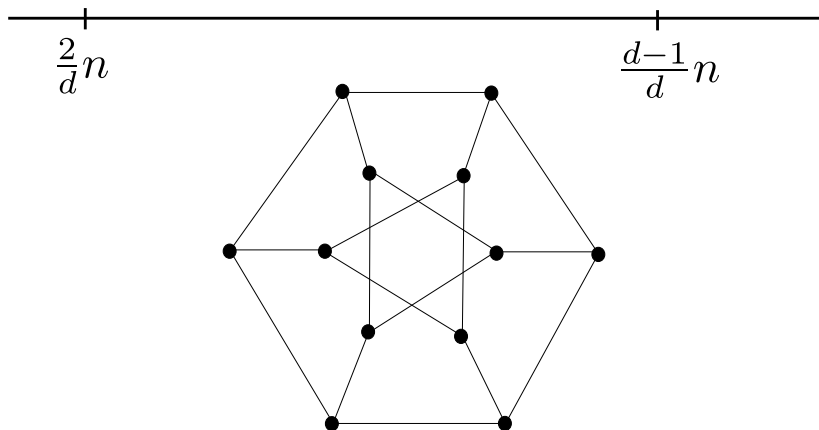


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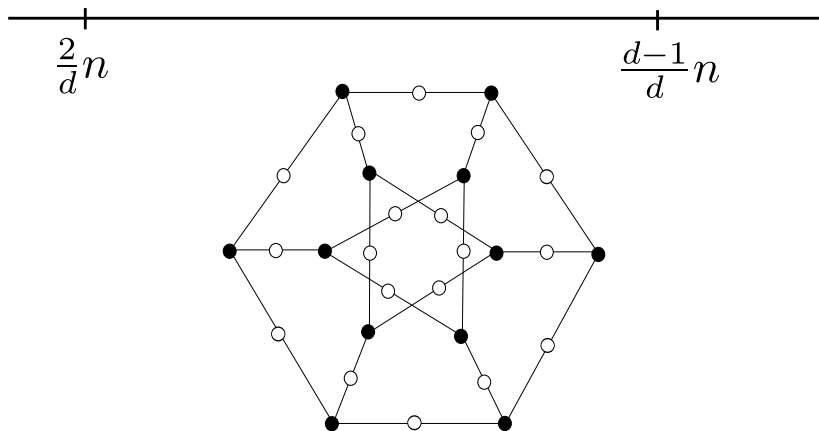
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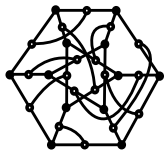
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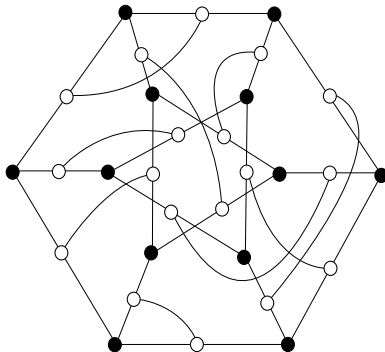
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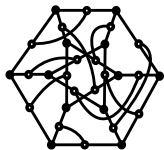
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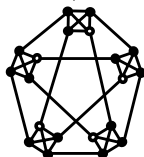


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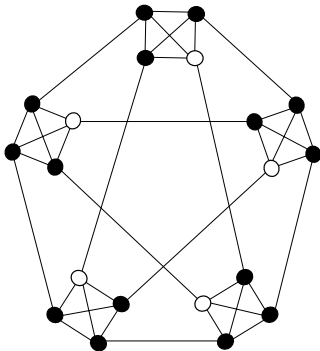
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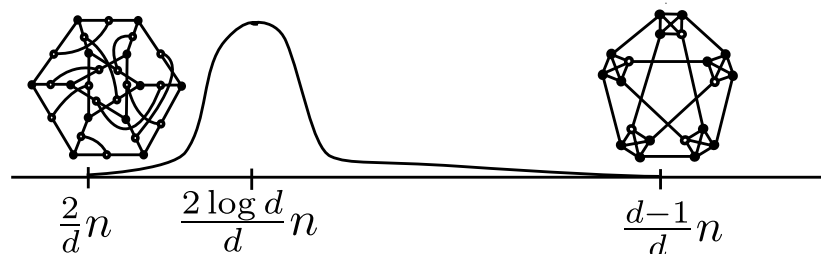


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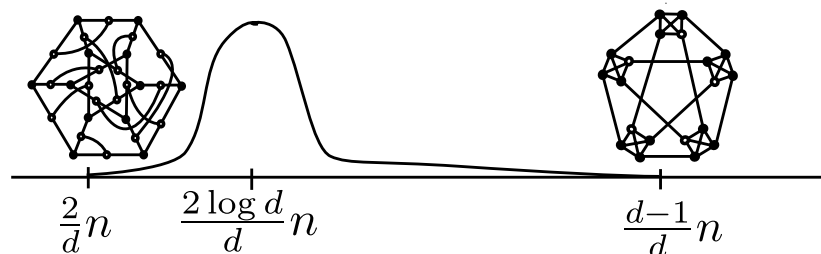
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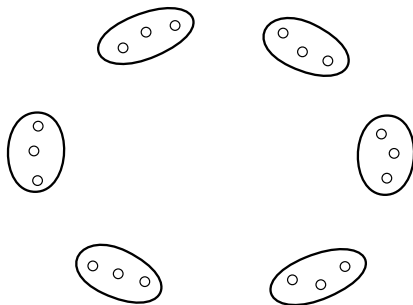
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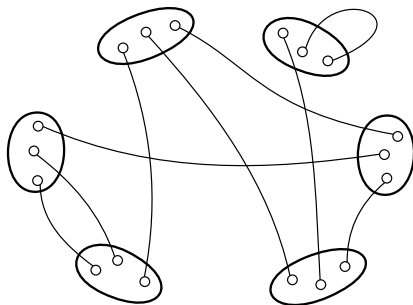
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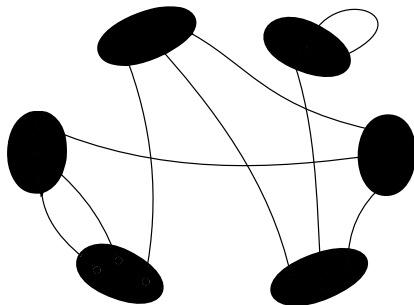
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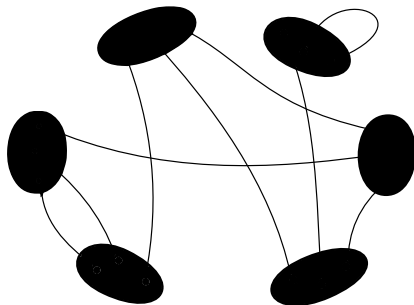
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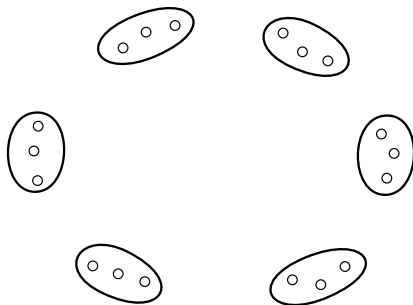


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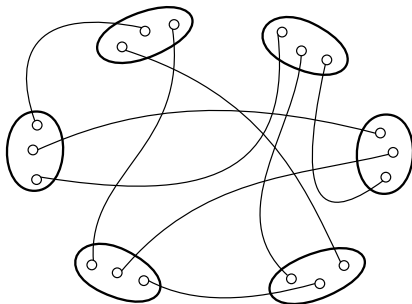
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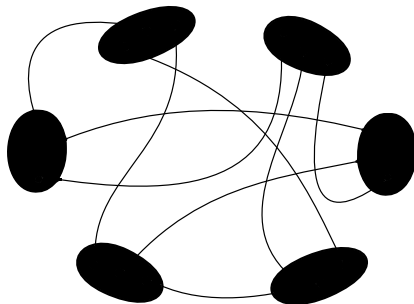
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$L_d(n)$: # labelled d -regular graphs on n vertices, $U_d(n)$: # UNlabelled d -regular graphs.

$$\text{Bollobás, 1982: } U_d(n) \sim \frac{L_d(n)}{n} \sim \frac{(rn)! e^{(1-d^2)/4}}{(\frac{rn}{2})! 2^{rn/2} (r!^{rn})}$$

(Note: no exact formula is known!)

Corollary: any property which holds a.a.s. for labelled d -regular graphs also does for unlabelled ones.

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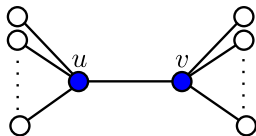
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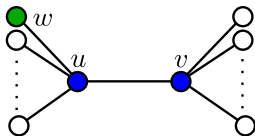
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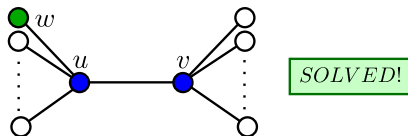
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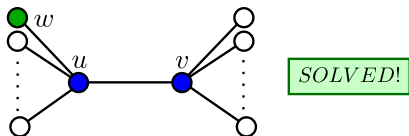


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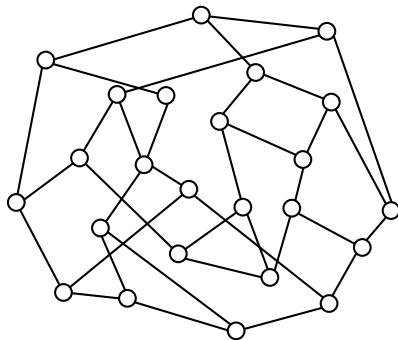
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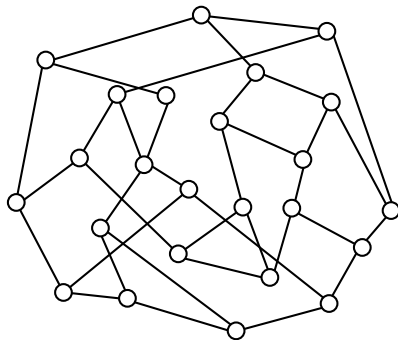
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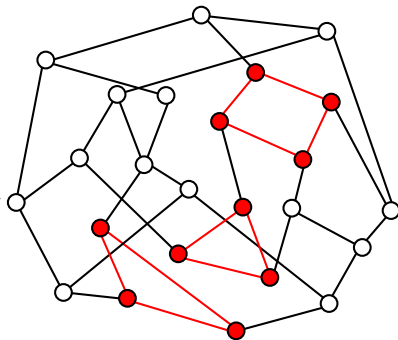
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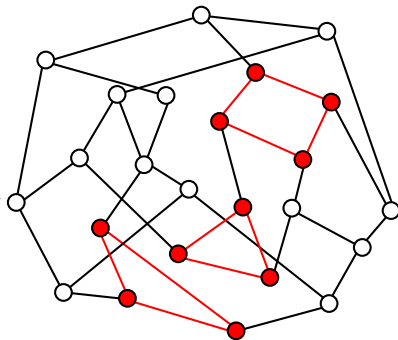
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