Extremal graphs for domination-based identification

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# Location-domination in graphs

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Motivation: fault-detection in networks.

 $\rightarrow$  The set D of grey processors is a set of fault-detectors.



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**Notation.** location-domination number LD(G), smallest size of a locating-dominating set of G

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#### Remark:

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- twins have a trivial behaviour w.r.t. location-domination

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Conjecture true if G has independence number  $\ge n/2$ . (in particular, if bipartite)

Proof: every vertex cover is a locating-dominating set





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#### Question

Are there twin-free (cubic) graphs with  $LD(G) > \alpha'(G)$ ?

(if not, conjecture is true)

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Conjecture true if G is split graph or complement of bipartite graph.

Line graph of G: intersection graph of the edges of G.



Proof: By induction on the order, using edge-locating-dominating sets



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# **Open neighbourhood location-domination**

#### Open neighbourhood locating-dominating sets

G: undirected graph N(u): set of neighbours of v

Definition - OLD set (Seo, Slater, 2010 🗟 🗟)

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**Notation.** OLD(G): OLD number of G, minimum size of an OLD-set in G





Total domination number:  $\gamma_t(P_n) \approx \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil$ 





OLD-number:  $OLD(P_n) \approx \left\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \right\rceil$ 

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By induction, G' is a half-graph. We can conclude that G is a half-graph too.

# Identifying codes in graphs

#### Identifying codes

G: undirected graph N[u]: set of vertices v s.t.  $d(u, v) \leq 1$ 

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

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**Closed twins =** pair u, v such that N[u] = N[v].





A graph is identifiable if and only if it has no closed twins.

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 $\rightarrow f$  forced by u, v.







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Two graphs  $A_k$  and  $A_{k'}$ 



Join: add all edges between them



Join the new graph to two non-adjacent vertices  $(\overline{K_2})$ 



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Proposition

At each step, the constructed graph has ID = n - 1

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# A characterization

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- Put *v* back ⇒ contradiction:



#### no counterexample exists!

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### Definition - Interval graph

Intersection graph of intervals of the real line.



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### Typically bounded for geometric hypergraphs:

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Corollary

G graph of order n, LD(G) = k, V-C dimension  $\leq d$ . Then  $n = O(k^d)$ .

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