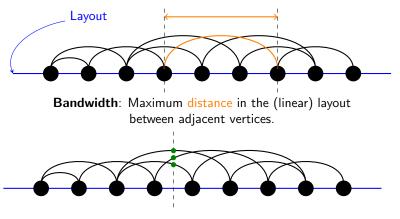
On a tree-based variant of bandwidth and forbidding simple topological minors

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joint work with William Lochet and Christophe Paul



Graph layouts

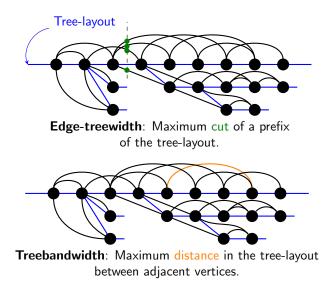


Cutwidth: Maximum cut of a layout prefix.

Relation and hardness

- ▶ Both problems are NP-complete.
- ▶ CUTWIDTH is FPT but BANDWIDTH is W[t]-hard for every *t*.
- ► CUTWIDTH approximates TOPOLOGICAL BANDWIDTH

Graph tree-layouts



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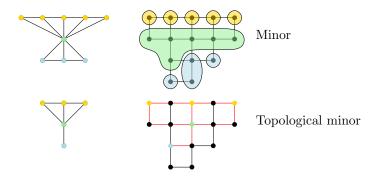
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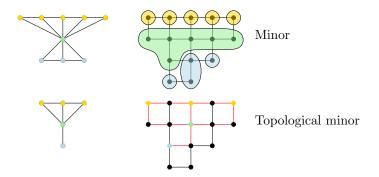
Question

What is the structure of graphs that have bounded treebandwidth?

Topological minors



Topological minors

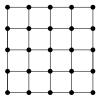


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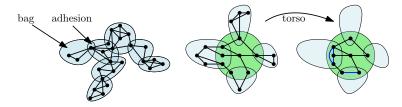
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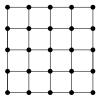
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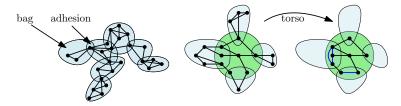
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Useful vocabulary:



Treewidth can also be characterised in terms of tree-layouts.

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Tree-layouts and tree decompositions

From tree decomposition to tree-layout:

- Root the tree decomposition arbitrarily.
- Vertices introduced in current bag are linearly ordered arbitrarily.
- Branch according to tree decomposition.

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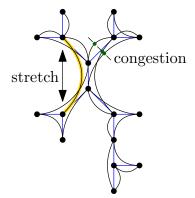
- One bag per vertex of the tree-layout:
- This vertex and its ancestors which are adjacent to vertices in its subtree.

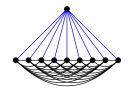
Generalising layouts

Layout problems such as ${\rm CUTWIDTH}$ and ${\rm BANDWIDTH}$ can be seen as path embedding problems.

In particular, one can generalise bandwidth and cutwidth as embedding problems in trees.

Definitions





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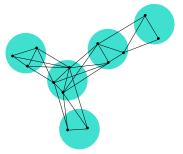
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Definition (Domino tree decomposition)

A tree decomposition such that each vertex appears in at most two bags.

Tree-partition-width



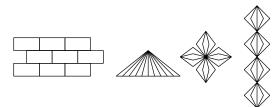
An example of tree-partition.

Tree-partition-width is also known as strong treewidth.

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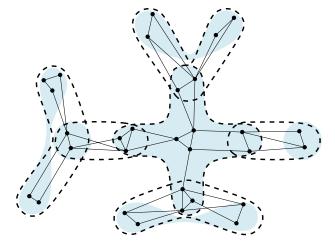
Theorem (Ding and Oporowski)

A graph has bounded tree-partition-width if and only if there exists k such that it contains no k-wall, k-fan, k-multiple of k-star, nor k-multiple of k-path as a topological minor.



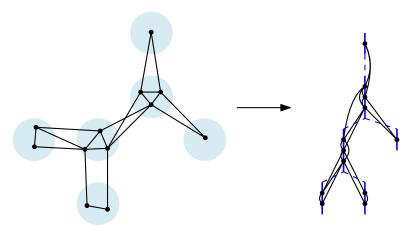
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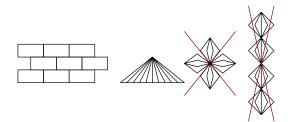
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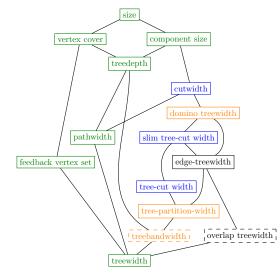
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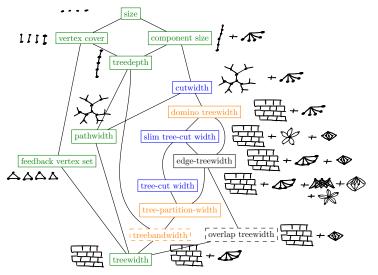
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Parameter hierarchy



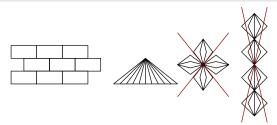
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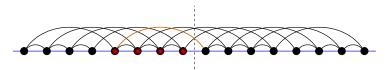


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Walls (\mathcal{W}) admit only tree-layouts with large separators. The figure below illustrates how large separators imply large bandwidth. For simplicity, the drawn graph is a grid instead of a wall.

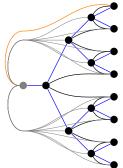


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Paths (\mathcal{P}) admit no tree-layout of constant depth. Fans (\mathcal{F}) admit no tree-layout of small bandwidth



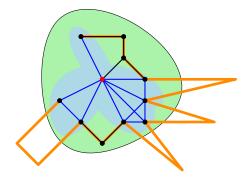
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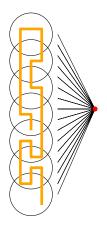
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What are graphs which do not contain a k-fan?

Fan models





Structure theorem

Theorem

If a graph G excludes F_k as a topological minor, then there exist integers a, b, c depending only on k and a tree decomposition (T, β) of G such that:

- ▶ adhesion size is at most *a*,
- \blacktriangleright each vertex v of G has at most b neighbours in the torso at each bag, and

• the bags containing v induce a subtree of T of diameter at most c. Such a decomposition can be computed in time $f(k) \cdot n$.

Conversely, if such a decomposition exists, G excludes $F_{k'}$ as a topological minor for some k' depending only on a, b, c.

Fan models

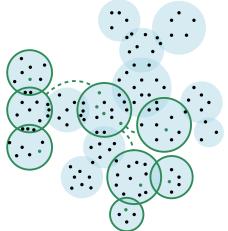
The size of the largest fan model is functionally equivalent to the 'neighbourhood treedepth':

 $\max_{v \in V(G)} \operatorname{td}(G, N[v])$

It is easy to build elimination trees certifying a bound on $\mathbf{td}(G, N[v])$ given the tree decomposition from the structure theorem.

Extracting structure from forbidden fans

Structure of sets of bounded treedepth in good tree decompositions of bounded adhesion:



- Bounded number of green vertices per bag
- Green tree decomposition has bounded diameter.
- Green bags have bounded size or bounded degree in green tree decomposition.

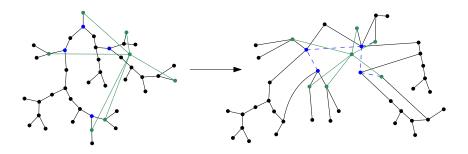
Exploiting structure from forbidden fans

Neighbourhoods have an underlying 'small diameter' structure in good tree decompositions.

We will translate this into an explicit diameter bound by <u>folding</u> the tree decomposition.

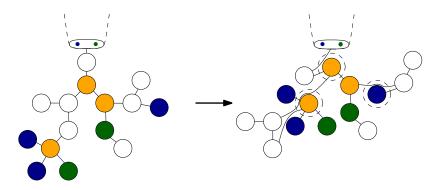
Exploiting structure from forbidden fans

Folding a tree.



Exploiting structure from forbidden fans

Folding a tree decomposition.



Deducing an approximation algorithm

Observation

Folding preserves boundedness of bags.

Bounded treewidth		Decomposition of bounded width
and	\rightarrow	and
forbidden fan		bounded 'vertex diameter'

Theorem

In time $f(k) \cdot n$, we can either deduce the existence of a large fan/wall or construct a tree-layout of bandwidth at most g(k).

Hardness of exact algorithm

BANDWIDTH is XNLP-complete. The tree-like analogue of BANDWIDTH is complete for the tree-like analogue of XNLP:

Theorem

TREEBANDWIDTH *is XALP-complete*.

This implies a deterministic algorithm running in XP time and XP space which is likely to be qualitatively optimal.

Hardness holds even when parameterised by treewidth plus degree.

A linear bound on p-centered colourings

Definition

A <u>p-centered colouring</u> of G is a colouring $\lambda : V(G) \to \mathbb{N}$ such that for every connected subgraph H of G, either λ uses more than p colours on H (i.e. $|\lambda(V(H))| > p$), or there is a colour assigned to a unique vertex in H.

An example of application:

Theorem (Pilipczuk and Siebertz)

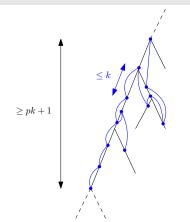
SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM can be solved in time $O(c^p \cdot p^{O(p)} \cdot n^{O(1)})$ and space $n^{O(1)}$ with p the size of the subgraph H, c the number of colours of a p-centered colouring.

For treewidth at most k, there is a p-centered colouring using ${\cal O}(p^k)$ colours and a matching lower bound.

A linear bound on p-centered colourings

Theorem

If a graph G has treebandwidth at most k, it has p-centered colourings with pk + 1 colours.



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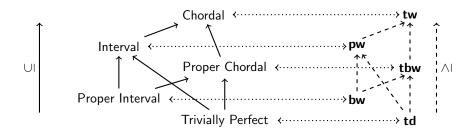
Conclusion

Open questions

- ▶ A $k^{O(1)}$ approximation ratio for TREEBANDWIDTH?
- Are there natural problems that become FPT when parameterised by treebandwidth?
- Can TREEBANDWIDTH be computed in FPT (or even polynomial) time on planar graphs?
- Is it necessary to ask for monotonicity in the graph searching characterisation for treebandwidth?

About equivalent characterisations

Chordal classes



About equivalent characterisations

Graph searching

	Cop number	Occupation time
Agile invisible	Pathwidth	Bandwidth
Lazy invisible	Treewidth	Treespan
Agile visible	Treewidth	Treebandwidth

Agile: The fugitive can always move.

Lazy: The fugitive moves only when about to be captured.