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## PROBLEM METRIČKE DIMENZIJE NA GRAFOVIMA

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## The metric dimension problem

- G=(V,E) is a simple connected undirected graph.
- For  $u, v \in V$ , let d(u, v) is the length of shortest path from u to v.
- Vertex x resolves two vertices u, v if  $d(x, u) \neq d(x, v)$ .
- Ordered set S={x<sub>1</sub>,...,x<sub>k</sub>}, (x<sub>i</sub>∈V, x<sub>i</sub>≠ x<sub>j</sub>) is a **resolving set** of G if every two u, v∈V (u≠v) are resolved by some t∈S.
- r(t,S)=(d(t,x<sub>1</sub>), ...,d(t,x<sub>k</sub>)), t∈V the vector of metric coordinates (metric vector) of t w.r.t. S
  - (S is a resolving set iff no two vertices of G have the same metric vectors w.r.t. S.)
- Metric basis of G is a resolving set of the minimal cardinality.
- Metric dimension  $\beta(G)$  is the cardinality of the metric basis.
- Metric dimension problem: finding the value of β(G) for graph G





- Vertices C and D are resoved by B, but not resolved by E: d(C,B)=1 ≠ d(D,B)=2, d(C,E)=d(D,E)=1.
- Set S={A,B} is a resolving set since the metric vectors for vertices w.r.t. S are : r(A,S)=(0,1), r(B,S)=(1,0), r(C,S)=(1,1), r(D,S)=(1,2), r(E,S)=(2,1).
- If set S is {A} or {C} or {D}, then r(B,S)=r(D,S)=1.
   If set S is {B} or {D}, then r(A,S)=r(E,S)=1.
- $\beta(G) = 2$  with a metric basis {A,B}.

## The metric dimension problem

 Introduced by: Slater, P.J. Leaves of trees, Congr. Numerantium 14 (1975) 549-559.
 Harary, F., Melter, R.A., On the metric dimension of a graph, Ars Combinatoria, 2 (1976), 191–195.
 1996. Proof of NP-hardness:

Khuller, S., Raghavachari, B., Rosenfeld, A., Landmarks in graphs, Discrete Applied Mathematics, 70 (1996), 217-229.

 Large number of theoretical papers devoted to exact values or upper and lower bounds of the metric dimension for some classes of graphs.

 Applications to: network discovery and verification, the robot navigation, chemistry, geographical routing protocols, etc.

## The metric dimension and their bounds for some classes of graphs

• Theoretically obtained exact values of  $\beta(G)$ :

name	path	cycle	$\operatorname{complete}$	bicomplete	wheel	hypercube
G	$P_n$	$C_n$	$K_n$	$K_{r,s}$	$W_{1,r}$	$Q_r = [K_2]^r$
V(G)	$n \ge 1$	$n \ge 3$	$n \ge 2$	$r+s \ge 3$	r + 1 = 4, 7	$2^r$
$\beta(G)$	1	2	n-1	n-2	3	$r \ (r \le 4)$

 for trees, the join and the Cartesian product of special graphs, for some of Petersen graphs, Hamming graphs, convex polytopes,...

• Theoretically obtained lower and upper bounds for  $\beta(G)$ :

• especially for the Cartesian product of graphs

Example

A metric basis need not uniquely determine graph G:



#### The minimal doubly resolving set problem

- **G**=(**V**,**E**) is a simple connected undirected graph.
- Vertices x, y doubly resolve two vertices u, v if  $d(x, u) d(y, u) \neq d(x, v) d(y, v)$ .
- Ordered set D={x<sub>1</sub>,...,x<sub>k</sub>}, (x<sub>i</sub>∈V, x<sub>i</sub>≠ x<sub>j</sub>) is a doubly resolving set of G if every two vertices u, v∈V (u≠v) are doubly resolved by some pair s, t∈D (s≠t).
- $(t,S) = (d(t,x_1), \dots, d(t,x_k)), t \in V$  the vector of metric coordinates (metric vector) of t w.r.t. D.
- $(D = \{x_1, ..., x_k\}$  is a doubly resolving set iff no two vertices uand v of G such that differences  $d(u, x_i) - d(v, x_i)$  are the same.)
- Minimal doubly resolving set of G is a doubly resolving set with the minimal cardinality  $\psi(G)$ .
- The minimal doubly resolving set problem: finding the value of ψ(G) for graph G.







- Vertices C and D are doubly resolved by A and B: d(C,A)-d(C,B)=0 ≠ -1=d(D,A)-d(D,B).
- Vertices C and D are not doubly resolved by A and E: d(C,A)-d(C,E)=d(D,A)-d(D,E)=0.
- Set S={A,B,C} is a doubly resolving set since the metric vectors for vertices w.r.t. S are : r(A,S)=(0,1,1), r(B,S)=(1,0,1), r(C,S)=(1,1,0), r(D,S)=(1,2,1), r(E,S)=(2,1,1).
- Set S={A,B} is not a doubly resolving set: r(A,S)=(0,1), r(D,S)=(1,2).
- Set {A,B,C} is a minimal doubly resolving set, so  $\Psi(G) = 3$ .

### The minimal doubly resolving set problem

- Introduced by:
  - Caceres, J., at al., On the metric dimension of Cartesian products f graphs, SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics, 21 (2007), 423–441.
- 2009. Proof of NP-hardness:
  - Kratica J., Čangalović M., Kovačević-Vujčić V., Computing minimal doubly resolving sets of graphs, Computers & Operations Research, 36 (2009) 2149-2159
- Every doubly resolving set is a resolving set, so  $\beta(G) \leq \psi(G)$ .
- The main theoretical result:

For arbitrary graphs G and  $H \neq K_1$ 

 $max\{\beta(G),\beta(H)\} \le \beta(G\Box H) \le \beta(G) + \psi(H) - 1$ 

 Applications to: finding upper bounds of metric dimension for the Cartesian products of graphs

## The strong metric dimension problem

- G = (V, E) is a simple connected undirected graph.
- Vertex w strongly resolves vertices u, v if there exists some shortest u-w path containing v or some shortest v-w path containing u.
- Set W of vertices is a strong resolving set of G if every two u, v∈V (u≠v) are strongly resolved by some t∈W.
- Strong metric basis of G is a strong resolving set of the minimal cardinality.
- Strong metric dimension sdim(G) is the cardinality of the strong metric basis.
- Strong metric dimension problem: finding sdim(G) for graph G.
- If *S* is a strong resolving set, then metric vectors r(v,S),  $v \in V$ , uniquely determinates graph *G*: if for a graph *G'*  V(G') = V(G), *S* strongly resolves *G'* and for all vertices *v*  $r_{G'}(v,S) = r_G(v,S)$ , then G = G'.

## Examples

• A metric basis need not uniquely determine graph G:

$$M = \{a, 1, 2\}$$

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## The strong metric dimension problem

#### Introduced by:

**Sebo, A., Tannier, E.,** *On metric generators of graphs,* Mathematics & Operations Research 29(2) (2004) 383-393.

#### • 2007. Proof of NP-hardness:

Oellermann, O., Peters- Fransen, j., *The strong metric dimension of graphs and digraphs*, Discrete Applied Mathematics, 155 (2007), 356-364.

Every strong resolving set is a resolving set, so
 β(G) ≤ sdim(G).

Increasing number of theoretical papers.

## Solution techniques

- The first papers with metaheuristic approaches:
  - Kratica J, Kovačević-Vujčić V, Čangalović M., Computing the metric dimension of graphs by genetic algorithms, Computational Optimization and Applications, 44 (2009), 343-361
  - Kratica J., Čangalović M., Kovačević-Vujčić V., Computing minimal doubly resolving sets of graphs, Computers & Operations Research, 36 (2009) 2149-2159
  - Kratica J, Kovačević-Vujčić V, Čangalović M., Computing strong metric dimension of some special classes of graphs by genetic algorithms, Yugoslav Journal of Operations Research, Vol 18, No. 2, (2008) 143-151.
  - Mladenovic, N., Kratica, J., Kovacevic-Vujcic, V., Cangalovic, M., Variable neighborhood search for metric dimension and minimal doubly resolving set problems, European Journal of Operational Research, 220(2)(2012) 328-337
  - Nikolić N., Cangalovic, M., Grujičić I., Symmetry properties of resolving sets and metric bases in hypercubes, Optim. Letters, DOI 10.1007/s11590-014-0790-2 (2015)

## Solution techniques

Meta heuristic solution approaches:

- Genetic algorithm, 2009,
- Variable neighborhood search (VNS), 2012.
- Special heuristic for hypercubes, 2015.
- Special VNS for hypercube, 2016.
- Experimentally obtained exact values or upper bounds for  $\beta(G), \psi(G), sdim(G)$  for:
  - Some ORLIB instances (crew scheduling, graph coloring) up to 1534 nodes.
  - Hamming graphs up to 4913 nodes.
  - Hypercubes with the dimension up to 25.

VNS approach overcomes GA aproach.

## Hamming graphs

• The Hamming graph  $H_{r,k}$ :  $H_{r,k} = \underbrace{K_k \Box K_k \Box \cdots \Box K_k}_{r \text{ times}}$ 

Number of vertices: k<sup>r</sup> ; Number of edges: k<sup>r</sup> \*r\*(k-1)/2

Theoretical result:

$$\beta(H_{2,k}) = \lfloor (4k-2)/3 \rfloor$$

#### Experimental results:

- GA and VNS applied to  $H_{2,k}$ ,  $3 \le k \le 30$ : exact values of the metric dimension has been found for all instances.
- For instances  $H_{3,k}$ ,  $3 \le k \le 17$ ,  $H_{4,k}$ ,  $3 \le k \le 8$ ,  $H_{5,k}$ ,  $3 \le k \le 5$ ,  $H_{6,k}$ ,  $3 \le k \le 4$ ,  $H_{7,3}$ , new upper bounds for the metric dimension has been calculated.

## Hamming graphs

 Kratica J., Kovacevic-Vujcic V., Cangalovic M., Stojanovic M., Minimal doubly resolving sets and the strong metric dimension of Hamming graphs, Applicable Analysis and Discrete Mathematics, 6(1) (2012) 63-71.

**Theorem 3.** 
$$\psi(H_{2,k}) = \begin{cases} 3, & k = 2, 3 \\ 5, & k = 4 \\ \lfloor \frac{4k-2}{3} \rfloor, & k \ge 5. \end{cases}$$

 $sdim(H_{n,k}) = (k-1) k^{n-1}$ 

#### **Generalized Petersen graphs**

• The generalized Petersen graph GP(n,k),  $(n \ge 3, 1 \le k < n/2)$ :

- vertex set  $V = \{ u_i, v_i \mid 0 \le i \le n 1 \}$  and
- edge set  $E = \{\{u_i, u_{i+1}\}, \{u_i, v_i\}, \{v_i, v_{i+k}\} \mid 0 \le i \le n-1\},\$ where vertex indices taken modulo *n*.







GP(5,1)

Petersen graph GP(5,2)

GP(7,3)

#### Generalized Petersen graphs

• The metric dimension of GP(n, 1):

$$GP(n,1) \cong C_n \square P_2 \implies \beta(GP(n,1)) = \beta(C_n \square P_2) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \\ 3 & \text{if } n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

• The metric dimension of GP(n,k),  $k \ge 2$ :

- For  $k \ge 2 \beta(GP(n,k)) \ge 3$ .
- $\beta(GP(n,2)) = 3.$

## Prism graphs



Prism graph  $Y_n \cong GP(n, 1)$ 

Cangalovic M., Kratica J., Kovacevic-Vujcic V., Stojanovic M., *Minimal doubly resolving sets of prism graphs*, Optimization, 62(8), (2013) 1037-1043

THEOREM 2.1 For  $n \ge 3$ ,  $\psi(Y_n) = 3$  if n is odd and  $\psi(Y_n) = 4$  if n is even.

## Convex polytopes D<sub>n</sub>



**Fig. 2.** The graph of convex polytope  $D_n$ .

Metric dimension of  $D_n$  : 3

## Convex polytopes D<sub>n</sub>

 Kratica, J., Kovacevic-Vujcic, V., Cangalovic, M., & Stojanovic, M., *Minimal doubly resolving sets and the strong metric dimension of some convex polytopes*, Applied Mathematics and Computation, 218(19), (2012) 9790-9801.

**Theorem 1.** For every convex polytope  $D_n$  it follows that  $\psi(D_n) = 3$ .

For any  $D_n$ , sdim  $(D_n)=2n$  for n odd and  $n \ge 5$ , and sdim  $(D_n)=5n/2$  for n even and  $n \ge 10$ .

## Convex polytopes T<sub>n</sub>



**Fig. 3.** The graph of convex polytope  $T_n$ .

#### Metric dimension of $T_n$ : 3

## Convex polytopes T<sub>n</sub>

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**Theorem 3.** For every convex polytope  $T_n$  it follows

$$\psi(T_n) = \begin{cases} 3, & n \neq 7, \\ 4, & n = 7. \end{cases}$$

■ For any  $T_n$  and  $n \ge 5$ , sdim  $(T_n)=2n$  for n odd, and sdim  $(T_n)=5n/2$  for n even.

## Hypercubes

• The hypercube  $Q_n$  of dimension *n*:

$$Q_n = \underbrace{K_2 \times K_2 \times \ldots \times K_2}_n$$

- Vertices are all *n*-dimensional binary vectors.
- Number of vertices:  $2^n$ . Number of edges:  $n^*2^{n-1}$ .
- Two vertices are adjacent if they differ in exactly one coordinate.
- Distance between two vertices: number of different coordinates.



## **Previous results**

• Exact values of  $\beta(Q_n)$  found by the computer search:

 $\beta(Q_2) = 2, \ \beta(Q_3) = 3, \ \beta(Q_4) = 4, \ \beta(Q_5) = 4, \ \beta(Q_6) = 5, \ \beta(Q_7) = 6, \ \beta(Q_8) = 6, \ \beta(Q_9) = 7, \ \beta(Q_{10}) = 7.$ 

The best known upper bounds for 11 ≤ n ≤ 17 obtained by a special version of VNS (Q<sub>18</sub> has 262144 nodes!!):

 $\beta(Q_{11}) \le 8, \ \beta(Q_{12}) \le 8, \ \beta(Q_{13}) \le 8, \ \beta(Q_{14}) \le 9, \ \beta(Q_{15}) \le 9, \ \beta(Q_{16}) \le 10, \ \beta(Q_{17}) \le 11.$ 

## **Previous results**

The best known upper bounds for 18 ≤ n ≤ 90 by a dynamic programming approach based on the cardinality ψ(Q<sub>m</sub>) of the minimal doubly resolving set:

 $\beta(Q_n) = \beta(Q_{n-m} \times Q_m) \le \beta(Q_{n-m}) + \psi(Q_m) - 1, \text{ and}$  $\beta(Q_n) \le 2^n, \text{ for each } n: (k-1) \cdot 2^{k-2} < n \le k \cdot 2^{k-1}.$ 

- Upper bounds for  $\psi(Q_m)$ ;  $m \le 17$ , and exact values of  $\beta(Q_n)$ ;  $n \le 8$ , obtained by GA.
- Theoretical results:
  - $\beta(Q_n) \leq n$ ,
  - $\beta(Q_n) \leq n-6$ , for  $n \geq 15$ ,
  - $\beta(Q_{k\cdot 2}^{k-1}) \leq 2^k$ , for  $k \geq 1$ ,
  - Asymptotic behavior of  $\beta(Q_n)$ :  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \beta(Q_n) \cdot \frac{\log n}{n} = 2$ .

## Symmetry properties

• Nikolić N., Cangalovic, M., Grujičić I., Symmetry properties of resolving sets and metric bases in hypercubes, Optim. Letters, DOI 10.1007/s11590-014-0790-2 (2015)

•  $V_i = \{ x = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) : \sum x_i = i \} :$ 

**Property 1:** There is a metric basis *S* of  $Q_n$  such that  $S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=0}^{m-1} V_i$ . **Property 2:** There is a metric basis *S* of  $Q_n$  such that  $(0,0,...,0) \in S$ . **Property 3:** If *S* is a subset of  $V(Q_n)$  such that  $(0,0,...,0) \in S$ , then *S* is a resolving set of  $Q_n$  if and only if *S* resolves every two distinct vertices  $u, v \in V_{[n/2]}$ 

**Reduction in the search process:** The number of vertex candidates for a metric basis is 2<sup>n-1</sup>

**Reductions in checking the resolving condition:** The complexity of checking is reduced  $\binom{2^n}{2} / \binom{|V_{[n/2]}|}{2}$  times.

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## New bounds for hypercubes

- Greedy heuristic and VNS algorithm for hypercubes based on symmetry properties.
- For 2≤n≤17 VNS reaches the best bounds for shorter time than general VNS.
- For 18≤n≤22 VNS reaches the best bounds obtained by greedy heuristic.
- For 23≤n≤25 VNS directly reaches the best bounds obtained by DP.
- VNS does not have the memory space problems up to n=30.

#### Further research

- Experiments with some other interesting families of graphs with the corresponding theoretical hypotheses.
- Further work on hypercubes on dimensions greater than 25 (improve VNS and test on more powerful and/or parallel computers, implement some other types of reductions, etc)
- Considering new problems related to the metric dimension problem (the min connected resolving set, min independent resolving set)

# Thank you for your attention!!!