

Subgraph and Supergraph Problems in r -tournaments

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- Clearly by this definition, a 1-tournament is a tournament and a connected directed graph on n vertices is an n -tournament.

Feedback vertex set and c -dominating set in r -tournaments

Theorem

An algorithm to test if a 2-tournament has a FVS of size at most k in $O^(c^k)$ time can be used to test if a directed graph has a FVS of size at most k in $O^*(c^k)$ for some constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$*

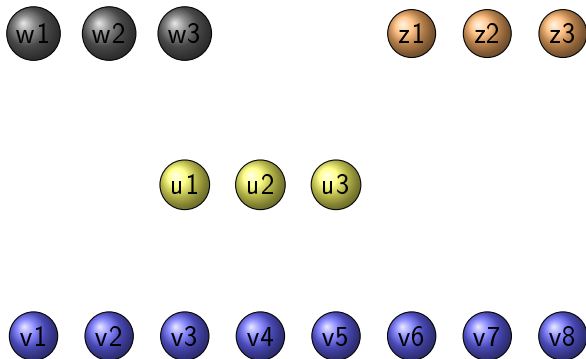
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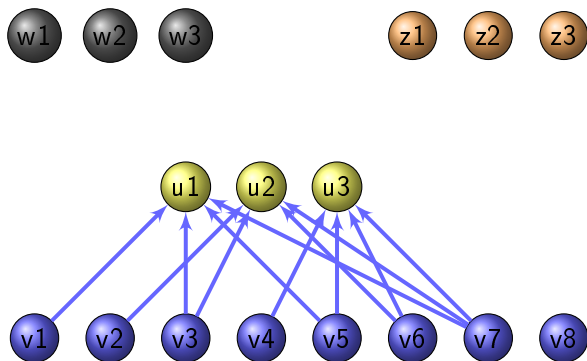
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- For every element u_i , we add an edge from u_i a vertex v of G if the i^{th} element of the latter's binary representation is 0. Otherwise we add an edge from v to u_i . Remaining connections are as shown in following example.

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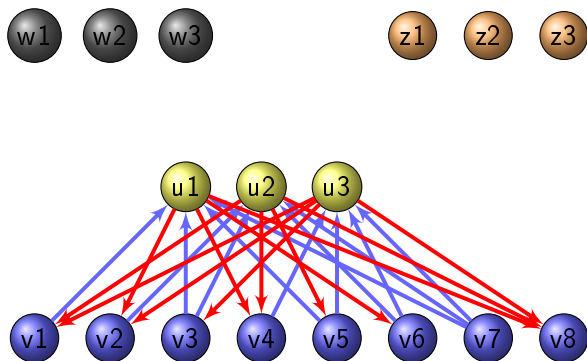
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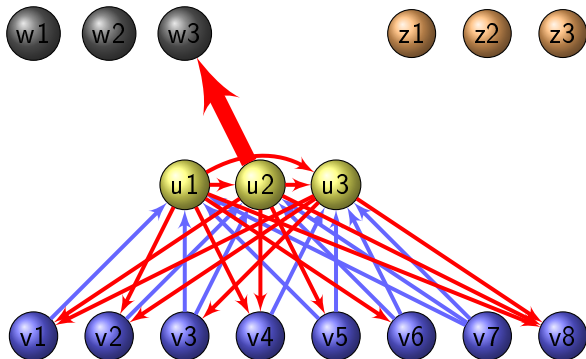
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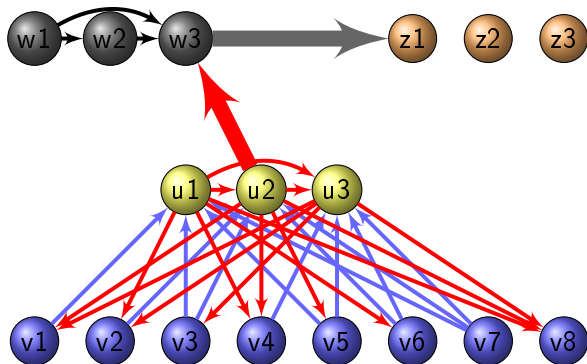
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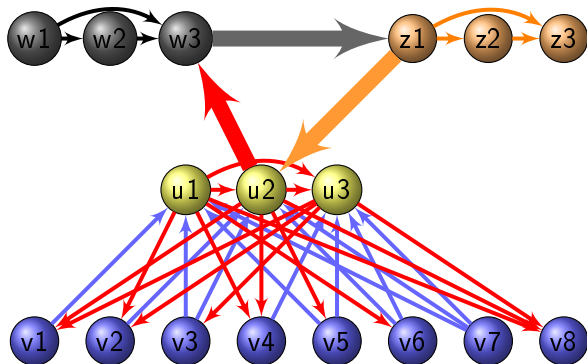
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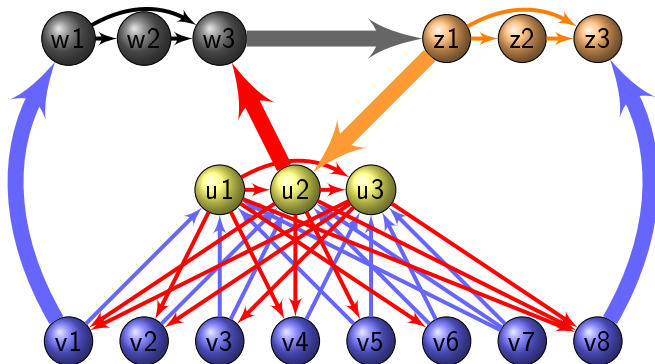
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- If there is an algorithm to solve for FVS of size k in 2-tournament, running in time $O^*(c^k)$ the said procedure will yield an algorithm to test FVS of size k in general digraphs , with running time $O^*(c^{k+\log_2 n}) = O^*(c^k)$

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Theorem (Extension of Landau's theorem)

Let T be a c -tournament and v a vertex with a maximum number of vertices at a directed distance at most c . Then $\{v\}$ is a $(2c)$ -dominating set of T .

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- The resultant graph CT is a c -tournament and has a c -dominating set of size k iff T has a dominating set of size k .

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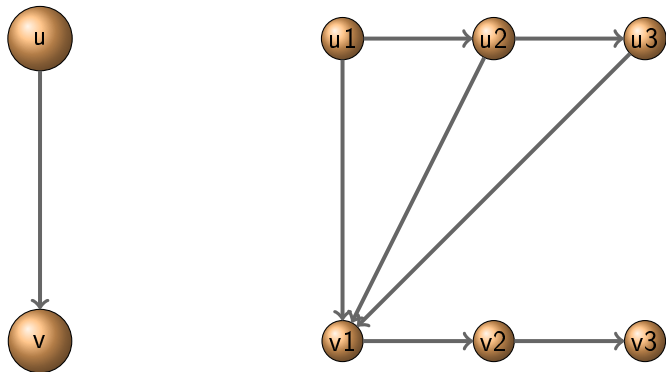
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- To see that D is indeed the dominating set of T , observe that if D does not dominate a vertex $v \in T$ CD does not dominate v_c .

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Graph Modification Problems

- A graph modification problem asks for an optimum number of modifications to a graph to obtain another one which satisfies some required property (A property is a class of graphs closed under isomorphism), example: the cluster editing problem .
- We study two problems requiring modifications (edge addition and deletions) to obtain 2-tournaments (a cluster of 2-tournaments in the first problem and a single 2-tournament in the second case).

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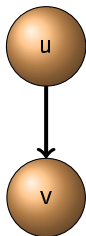
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We prove that both 2-tournament clustering and 2-tournament completion are NP-Complete. We also prove that while 2-tournament clustering is FPT, 2-tournament completion is $W[2]$ -hard.

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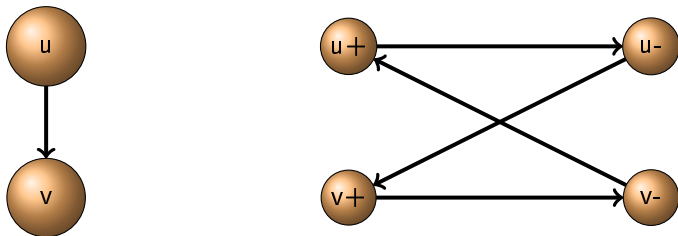


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Outline of Proof

The following is the series of steps involved in proving the NP-Hardness:

- Any subgraph of G' which is a 2-tournament must have atmost one +ve signed vertex without a pair and atmost one -ve vertex without a pair.
- There is a minimum solution M for the problem of 2-tournament edge clustering such that every vertex of G' has its pair in one component.
- For each $k \geq 0$, an undirected graph G has a clique clustering edge set of size atmost k if and only if G' has a 2-tournament clustering edge set of size $2k$.

2-tournament clustering is FPT

Lemma

Let G be a directed graph which is not a 2-tournament such that the underlying directed graph is connected. There exist two vertices for which the distance in the undirected graph is at most 3 but are not at directed distance 2 in G .

Proof.

- Let S be the set of pairs of vertices not having a directed path of length 2 connecting them. Let u, v be a pair of vertices having least undirected distance among all pairs of S . Let the shortest undirected path connecting them be $P(u, v) = \{u, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v\}$.
- Let if possible $|P(u, v)| \geq 4$. This means that $v_3 \neq v$ and (u, v_3) does not belong to S . Hence there is a 2-path connecting u, v_3 which would imply P is not the shortest path.



- A simple search tree algorithm is based on the following observation:
If there given graph is not a cluster of 2-tournament the earlier lemma gives us a pair of vertices which are not in the at a directed distance 2 but are at an undirected distance atmost 3.
- These vertices cannot be in the same component of the solution graph. Hence atleast one of the edges on the path connecting u, v must be included in the final solution. Branching on each of these solutions yields a $O^*(3^k)$ algorithm.

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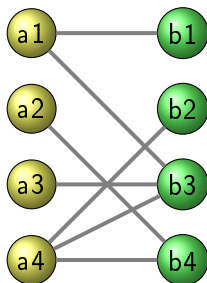
We prove the NPCompleteness and $W[2]$ hardness of the following problem:

Problem (Single Vertex Satisfaction)

Given a directed graph $G = (V, E)$ and a vertex $v \in V$ add at most k edges to G such that in the resultant graph every vertex of G is either at directed distance at most 2 from v or has it at a directed distance at most 2.

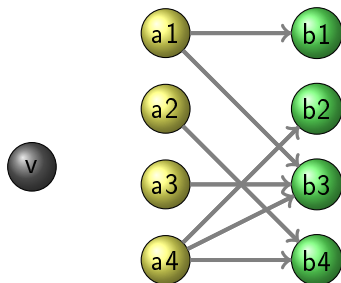
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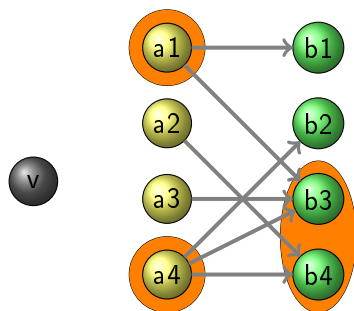
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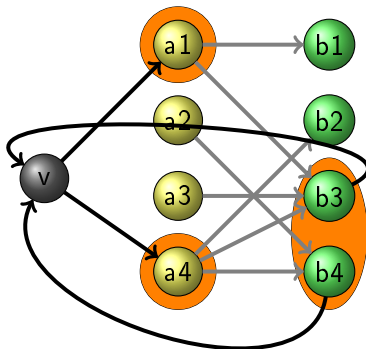
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- Let $M = M_G \cup M_v$, where M_G edges whose end points are in G and M_v has edges incident on v .
- Let $D_{G'}$ be the minimum dominating set of (underlying undirected graph) G' and D_G be the minimum dominating set of G .

- Adding k edges to graph G reduces the dominating set size by k atmost:

$$D_{G'} \geq DG - |M_G| \quad (3)$$

- Since v is at distance 2 from all the vertices in the underlying undirected graph and M_v is its neighborhood, the latter is a dominating set of G' .

$$D_{G'} \leq |M_v| \quad (4)$$

- From the above equations we have:

$$|M_G| + |M_v| = k \geq D(G) \quad (5)$$

2-tournament completion is NPC and $W[2]$ hard: Reduction from Single Vertex Satisfaction

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ we construct $G' = (V', E')$ in the following way. G' has an SVS edge set of size k iff G has a 2-tournament completion edge set of size k :



$$\begin{aligned}V' &= V \cup V_1 \cup \{v_{ex}\} \\V_1 &= \{v_{u,w} : \forall \{u, w\} \in V - \{v\}\}\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$



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