# EFFICIENT FIRST-ORDER MODEL CHECKING WITH SHORT LABELS

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- Given a graph property of vertices, assign labels to each vertex for deciding the property by using only the labels.
- A label is a bit sequence and we want it to be "short" (say of size log<sup>O(k)</sup>(n), n = number of vertices).
- For adjacency we need labels of size at least  $\Omega(n)$  in general.
- Two possible questions:
  - Given a property for what classes of graphs can we achieve O(log(n)) ?
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FO Labeling

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## FORMALLY

## LABELING SCHEME

- Let  $P(x_1, \ldots, x_p, Y_1, \ldots, Y_q)$  be a graph property ( $Y_i$  are sets).
- An f(n)-labeling scheme for property P of graphs in a class C is a pair of algorithms (A, B) such that:
  - For all  $G \in C$ , A constructs a labeling  $J : V(G) \to \{0, 1\}^*$  such that  $|J(x)| \le f(n)$  for each  $x \in V(G)$ , n = |V(G)|. B checks whether G satisfies  $P(a_1, \ldots, a_p, U_1, \ldots, U_q)$  by using

 $J(a_1), \dots, J(a_p), J(U_1), \dots, J(U_q)$  where  $J(U) = \{J(x) \mid x \in U\}$ .

#### NOTE

J(x) determines x.

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- [Adjacency] There exist O(log(n))-labeling schemes for the classes: bounded arboricity (planar, bounded tree-width, ...), bounded clique-width, interval graphs (unbounded clique-width and unbounded arboricity).
- [Distance (static)] O(n) in general on *n*-vertex graphs.

 $O(\log^2(n))$  for trees, bounded-clique-width, bounded tree-width, between  $\Omega(n^{1/3})$  and  $O(n^{1/2})$  for planar graphs,  $O(\log(n))$  for interval graphs.

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# OUTLINE

CLIQUE-WIDTH

## 2 Logic

- 3 Locally Decomposable Graphs
- 4 Main Results

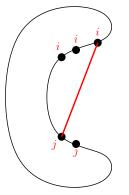


- Clique-width is defined in terms of few very simple graph operations.
- Graphs are simple, directed or not.
- *k*-graph = each vertex has one and only one color from {1,...,*k*}.
- several vertices may have the same color.
- One binary operation:  $\oplus$  = disjoint union of *k*-graphs.
- Notice that  $G \oplus G \neq G$ .

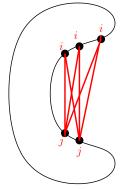
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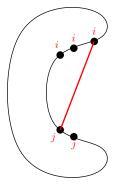
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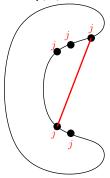


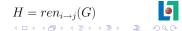


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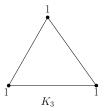
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- *k*-Basic graphs are *k*-graphs with a single vertex: (i for  $i \in [k]$ ).

#### DEFINITION

The clique-width of a graph *G*, denoted by cwd(G), is the minimum *k* such that *G* is constructed from *k*-basic graphs with the operations  $\oplus$ ,  $add_{i,j}$  and  $ren_{i\rightarrow j}$  for  $i, j \in [k]$ .

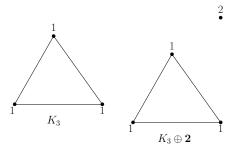
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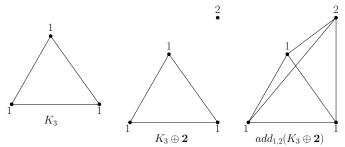




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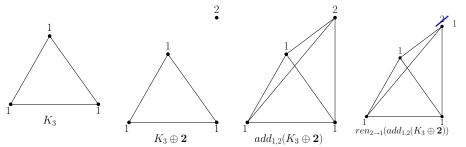


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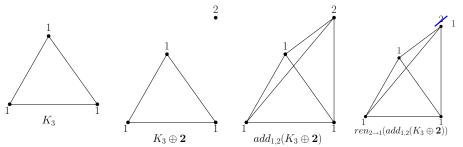
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• Cliques have clique-width 2:



- Distance hereditary graphs have clique-width  $\leq$  3.
- $cwd(G) \le 3 \cdot 2^{twd(G)-1}$ .
- Planar graphs, interval graphs have unbounded clique-width.

# **OUTLINE**





## NOTATIONS

- Graph G = ⟨V, E⟩ where V is the set of vertices and E(·, ·) is the adjacency relation.
- $\varphi(x_1, \ldots, x_m, Y_1, \ldots, Y_q)$ : free FO variables in  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_m\}$  and free set variables in  $\{Y_1, \ldots, Y_q\}$ .
- An FO sentence is an FO formula without free variables.

## FO LOGIC: EXAMPLES

DISTANCE AT MOST *t* in  $G \setminus Y$ :  $D_t(x, y, Y)$ 

$$(x = y) \lor \exists x_1 \cdots x_{t+1} \notin Y\left(\bigwedge_{1 \leq i \leq t} E(x_i, x_{i+1}) \land x = x_1 \land y = x_{t+1}\right).$$

COMMON NEIGHBOR OF x and y in Y:  $\varphi(x, y, Y)$ 

$$\exists z \in Y \ \Big( E(x,z) \land E(y,z) \Big).$$



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# CLIQUE-WIDTH AND MSO LOGIC

## MSO LOGIC

MSO logic = FO logic with quantifications over sets of vertices.

## THEOREM 1 (COURCELLE AND VANICAT)

Let  $P(x_1, \ldots, x_m, Y_1, \ldots, Y_q)$  be an *MSO*-definable property and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- There exists an  $O(f(k)\log(n))$ -labeling scheme  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  for graphs of clique-width at most k.
- A computes the labels in O(n<sup>3</sup>)-time or in O(n log(n))-time if the decomposition is given.



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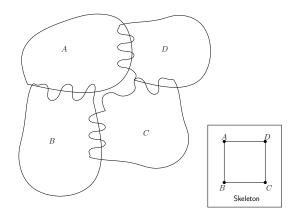
- Bounded clique-width is limited but is OK for MSO logic.
- MSO logic cannot be OK for unbounded clique-width unless P=NP (3-colorability is MSO-definable and NP-complete on planar graphs).
- Unbounded clique-width may work for FO logic.

## EXAMPLES

Planar Graphs, unit-interval graphs, graphs of bounded degree, ....

# MOTIVATION : NETWORKS BUILT BY COMBINING GRAPHS OF VARIOUS TYPES

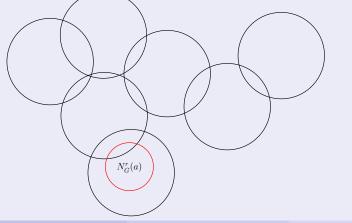
- A,B,C,D have clique-width  $\leq k$ .
- Planar Skeleton
- Skeleton of bounded degree (limited overlaps).
- Concretely ...



#### **CWD-COVER**

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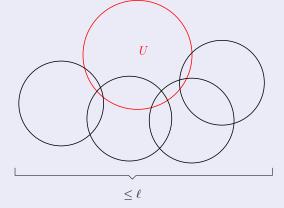
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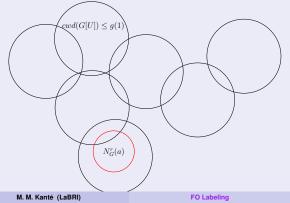
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## NICE CWD-COVER

An  $(r, \ell, g)$ -cwd cover is *nice* if condition 3 is replaced by:

For  $q \geq 1$  and all  $U_1, \ldots, U_q$  in  $\mathcal{T}$  we have

 $cwd(G[U_1\cup\cdots\cup U_q])\leq g(q).$ 

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# OUTLINE

Clique-Width









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## MAIN THEOREM

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#### USING SET ARGUMENTS

In a network, we may specify the failed or forbidden nodes in the formula by using set variables.

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# FO LOGIC

#### *t*-local formulas

An FO formula  $\varphi(x_1, \ldots, x_m, Y_1, \ldots, Y_q)$  is *t-local around*  $(x_1, \ldots, x_m)$  if for every *G* and, every  $a_1, \ldots, a_m \in V_G$ ,  $W_1, \ldots, W_q \subseteq V_G$  we have

$$\boldsymbol{G} \models \varphi(\boldsymbol{a}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{a}_m,\boldsymbol{W}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{W}_q)$$

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$$G[N] \models \varphi(a_1, \dots, a_m, W_1 \cap N, \dots, W_q \cap N)$$
  
here  $N = N_G^t(a_1, \dots, a_m) = \{y \in V_G \mid d(y, a_i) \le t \text{ for some } i = 1, \dots, m\}.$ 



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#### REMARK

The query  $d(x, y) \leq 2t$  is *t*-local.

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## (t, s)-local sentences

An FO sentence is *basic* (t, s)-local if it is equivalent to a sentence of the form

$$\exists x_1 \cdots \exists x_s \left( \bigwedge_{1 \le i < j \le s} d(x_i, x_j) > 2t \land \bigwedge_{1 \le i \le s} \psi[x_i/x] \right)$$

where  $\psi(x)$  is *t*-local around its unique free variable *x*.

# GAIFMAN THEOREM

## THEOREM 2

Let  $\varphi(\bar{x})$  be a FO formula where  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$ . Then  $\varphi$  is logically equivalent to a Boolean combination  $B(\varphi_1(\bar{u}_1), \dots, \varphi_p(\bar{u}_p), \psi_1, \dots, \psi_h)$  where:

- each  $\varphi_i$  is a *t*-local formula around  $\bar{u}_i \subseteq \bar{x}$  (sub-tuple).
- each  $\psi_i$  is a basic (t', s)-local sentence.

*B* can be computed and, *t*, *t'* and *s* can be bounded in terms of *m* and the quantifier-rank of  $\varphi$ .

# VERIFICATION OF BASIC (t, s)-local sentences

#### LEMMA 1

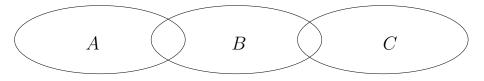
Let *G* be in a locally cwd-decomposable class. Every basic (t, s)-local sentence can be decided in polynomial time on *G*.

#### PROOF.

Adaptated from Frick and Grohe.

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## How to Check Distance at most t



- For each  $x, N_G^t(x) \subseteq A$  or B or C.
- Each A, B, C of clique-width  $\leq k$ .
- By Courcelle-Vanicat, labelings  $J_A$ ,  $J_B$ ,  $J_C$  for  $d(x, y) \le t$  in G[A], G[B], G[C] respectively.
- $L(x) = (J_A(x), J_B(x), J_C(x)) (J_A(x) =$ "undefined" if  $x \notin A$ ).
- $d(x, y) \le t$  iff some pair  $(J_U(x), J_U(y))$  says  $d_{G[U]}(x, y) \le t$  for  $U \in \{A, B, C\}$ .

# A *t*-Formula around one Free FO Variable



## $\varphi(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z})$ with set variables $\mathbf{Y}$ and $\mathbf{Z}$

- For  $\varphi(x, Y, Z)$  apply Courcelle-Vanicat to each U and get a labeling  $J_U$ .
- *x* may be in many  $U \in \{A, B, C\}$  and the same for  $N_G^t(x)$ .
- For simplicity, let each x in A, B and C.
- $L(x) = (J_A(x), J_B(x), J_C(x)).$
- Given L(x), L(Y) and L(Z) determine the U such that N<sup>t</sup><sub>G</sub>(x) ⊆ U and recover Y ∩ U and Z ∩ U.
- $G \models \varphi(x, Y, Z)$  iff  $J_U(x)$  says that  $G[U] \models \varphi(x, Y \cap U, Z \cap U)$ .

# *t*-local formulas (stronger statement)

## Lemma 2

There exists an  $O(\log(n))$ -labeling scheme for *t*-local formulas with set arguments on locally cwd-decomposable classes.

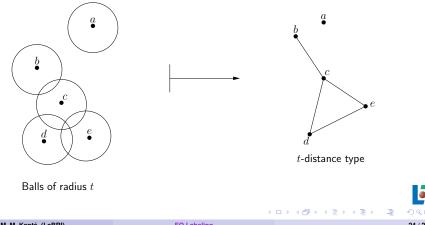
## PROOF.

- We will use a decomposition of *t*-local formulas by Frick.
- Recall that Gaifman Theorem extends to FO formulas with set arguments (handled as colors of vertices; distances do not depend on colors).

## *t*-DISTANCE TYPE

## **DEFINITION 1**

Let *m*, *t*  $\geq$  1. The *t*-distance type of an *m*-tuple  $\bar{a}$  is the undirected graph  $\epsilon = ([m], edg_{\epsilon})$  where  $edg_{\epsilon}(i, j)$  iff  $d(a_i, a_j) \leq 2t + 1$ .



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## SATISFACTION

The satisfaction of a *t*-distance type by an *m*-tuple can be expressed by a *t*-local formula:

$$\rho_{t,\epsilon}(x_1,\ldots,x_m) := \bigwedge_{(i,j)\in edg_{\epsilon}} d(x_i,x_j) \leq 2t+1 \land \bigwedge_{(i,j)\notin edg_{\epsilon}} d(x_i,x_j) > 2t+1.$$



# Decomposition of t-local formulas

## Lemma 3

Let  $\varphi(\bar{x}, Y_1, \ldots, Y_q)$  be a *t*-local formula around  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_m)$ . For each *t*-distance type  $\epsilon$  with  $\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_p$  as connected components, one can compute a Boolean combination  $F^{t,\epsilon}(\varphi_{1,1}, \ldots, \varphi_{1,j_1}, \ldots, \varphi_{p,1}, \ldots, \varphi_{p,j_p})$  of formulas  $\varphi_{i,j}$  such that:

- The FO free variables of each φ<sub>i,j</sub> are among x
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  to ε<sub>i</sub>) and the set arguments remains in {Y<sub>1</sub>,..., Y<sub>q</sub>}.
- $\varphi_{i,j}$  is *t*-local around  $\bar{x} \mid \epsilon_i$ .
- For each *m*-tuple  $\bar{a}$ , each *q*-tuple of sets  $W_1, \ldots, W_q$ :

 $\boldsymbol{G} \models \rho_{t,\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\bar{a}}) \land \varphi(\boldsymbol{\bar{a}}, \boldsymbol{W}_1, \ldots, \boldsymbol{W}_q)$ 

iff

$$G \models \rho_{t,\epsilon}(\bar{a}) \land F^{t,\epsilon}(\ldots,\varphi_{i,j}(\bar{a} \mid \epsilon_i, W_1,\ldots, W_q),\ldots).$$

- Let T be an  $(r, \ell, g)$ -cwd cover of G where r = m(2t + 1).
- Label each vertex with a label K(x) of length  $O(\log(n))$  for deciding if  $d(x, y) \le 2t + 1$  (Distance at most *t* Slide 21).
- Let  $\epsilon$  be a fixed *t*-distance type and call the algorithm of Frick (Lemma 3).
- For each  $\varphi_{i,j}^{\epsilon}$ , there exists a labeling  $J_{i,j,U}^{\epsilon}$  in G[U] (Courcelle-Vanicat).
- For each x we append all these labels J<sup>ε</sup><sub>i,i,U</sub> in order to get a label J<sub>ε</sub>.
- There exists at most  $k' = 2^{k(k-1)/2} t$ -distance types, we let

$$J(x) = \{ \ulcorner x \urcorner, K(x), J_{\epsilon^1}, \ldots, J_{\epsilon^{k'}} \}.$$

• It has length  $O(\log(n))$  (Huge Constants).

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- Let  $J(a_1), \ldots, J(a_m)$  and  $J(W_1), \ldots, J(W_q)$ .
- By using K(a<sub>i</sub>) we can construct the *t*-distance type ε satisfied by a<sub>1</sub>,..., a<sub>m</sub>. We can then recover J<sub>ε</sub>(a<sub>i</sub>).
- We let  $\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_p$  be the connected components of  $\epsilon$ .
- For each ā | ǫ<sub>i</sub> there exists at least one U ∈ T such that N<sup>t</sup><sub>G</sub>(ā | ǫ<sub>i</sub>) ⊆ U. (There are less than ℓ.)
- We can now decide whether *G* satisfies  $\varphi$  by Lemma 3.

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- Sizes of labels: a<sub>φ,T</sub> · log(n). Decrease a<sub>φ,T</sub> by concrete constructions avoiding logic.
- Better understanding of locally cwd-decomposable classes.
- Extension to larger classes of graphs.
- Can we extend the logic, or give at least specific constructions for interesting properties like connectivity ?
- Thank you !