On Robust Temporal Structures in Highly Dynamic Networks

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 \rightarrow How about infinite time? The relation must hold infinitely often!

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(based on time-varying graphs)

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Building temporal covering structures?

 $\rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\mathcal{R}}$: "easy" $\rightarrow \mathcal{TC}^{\mathcal{R}}$: this talk

Exploiting regularities within $\mathcal{TC}^{\mathcal{R}}$

 $\mathcal{TC}^{\mathcal{R}} := \text{Temporal connectivity is recurrently achieved} \qquad (\mathcal{TC}^{\mathcal{R}} := \forall t, \mathcal{G}_{[t, +\infty)} \in \mathcal{TC})$

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→ Robustness: New form of heredity asking that a property or solution holds in all connected spanning subgraphs

EX: MINIMALDOMINATINGSET (MDS) and MAXIMALINDEPENDENTSET (MIS)

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- \rightarrow Question: characterizing graphs/footprints in which
 - 1. all MISs are robust: $(\mathcal{RMIS}^{\forall})$
 - 2. at least one MIS is robust: $(\mathcal{RMIS}^{\exists})$
 - 3. all MDSs are robust: $(\mathcal{RMDS}^{\forall})$
 - 4. at least one MDS is robust: $(\mathcal{RMDS}^{\exists})$

Overview of technical results

1. \mathcal{RMDS}^{\forall} = Sputniks

- 2. \mathcal{RMIS}^{\forall} = Complete bipartite \cup Sputniks
- 3. $\mathcal{RMDS}^{\exists} \supseteq$ bipartite + test algo
- 4. $\mathcal{RMIS}^{\exists} \supseteq \text{bipartite} + \text{test algo}$

Locality:

- 1. \mathcal{RMDS}^{\forall} and \mathcal{RMIS}^{\forall}
 - \rightarrow Robust solutions can be computed locally!
- 2. \mathcal{RMIS}^{\exists}
 - → Robust solutions cannot be computed locally!



Local algo for robust MIS in Sputniks





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Lower bound on the non-locality of robust MIS

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Centralized algorithm to find RMISs in general (in P)

Objective: Finds a RMIS if one exists, rejects otherwise.



Polynomial-time algorithm to find RMISs (2)



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