

# On three domination-based identification problems on block graphs\*

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— joint work with

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# Basic notations & definitions

$G = (V(G), E(G))$  is a graph and  $v \in V(G)$ .

$\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{v})$ : the set of all neighbors of  $v$  in  $G$ .

$$\mathbf{N}[\mathbf{v}] = N(v) \cup \{v\}$$

$D \subset V(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is called a **Dominating set** of  $G$  if  
 $\forall v \in V(G), N[v] \cap D \neq \emptyset$ .

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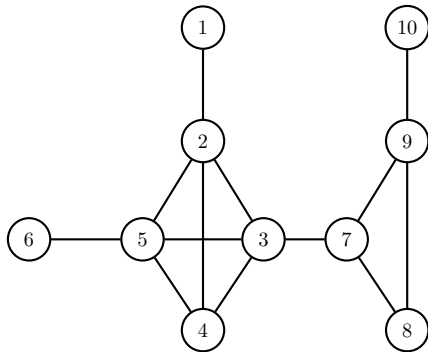
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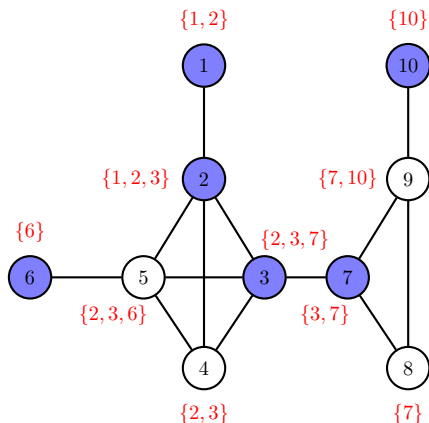
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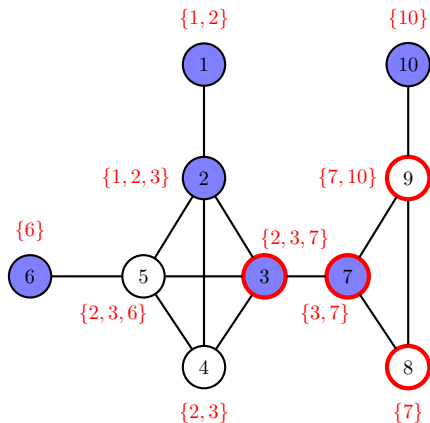
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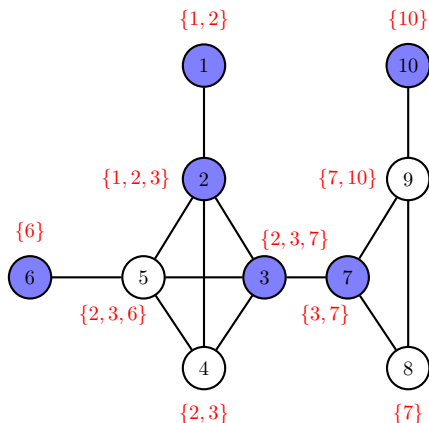
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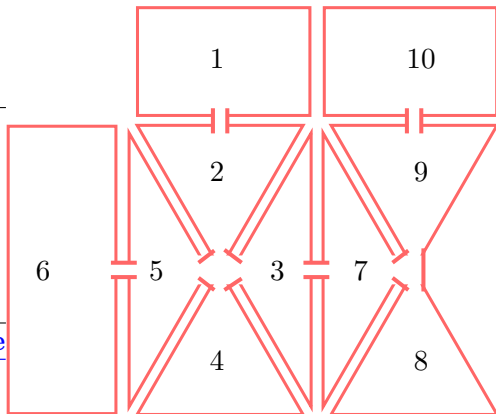
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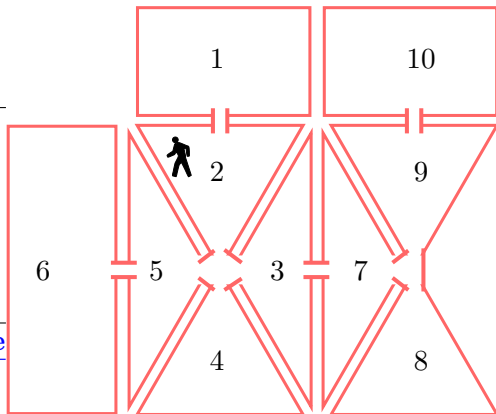
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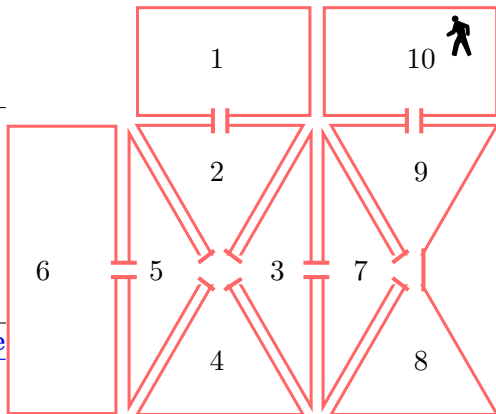
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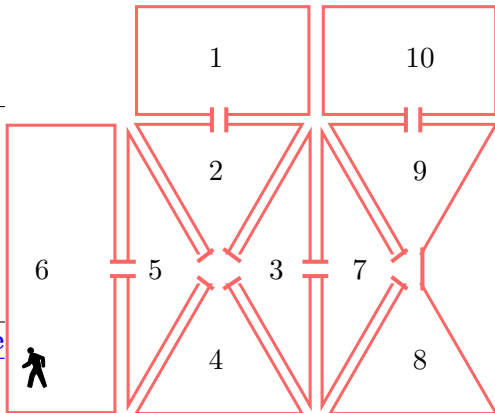
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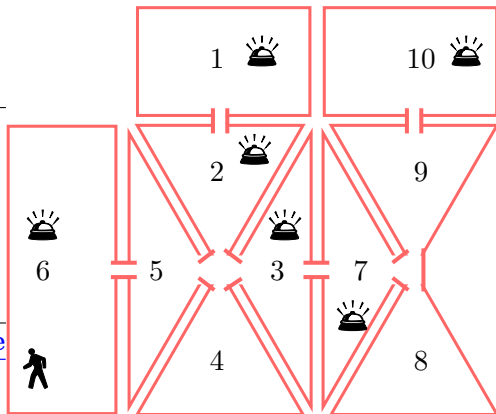
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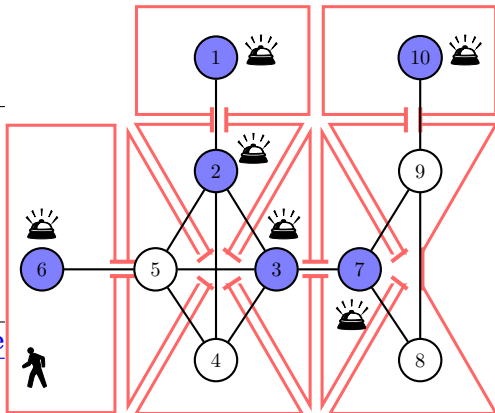
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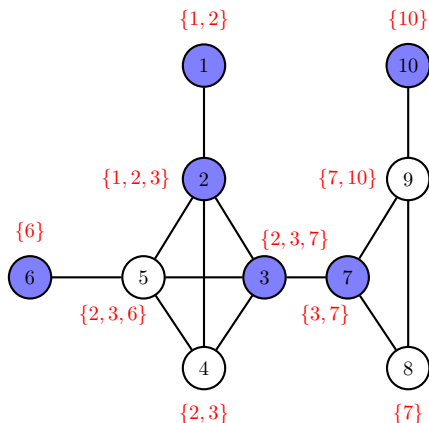
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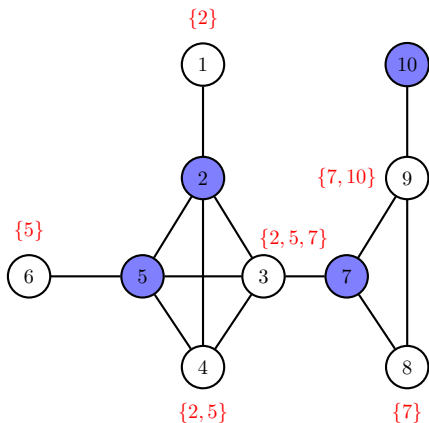
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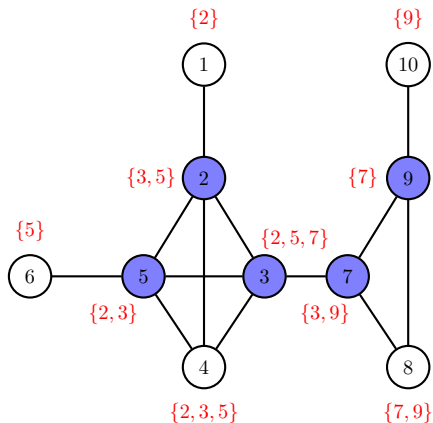
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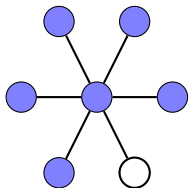
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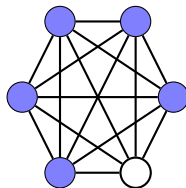
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Exists only if  $G$  is open twin-free  
and has no isolated vertices.

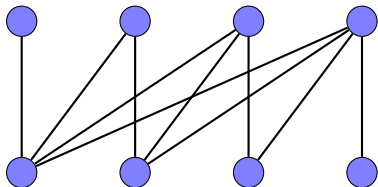
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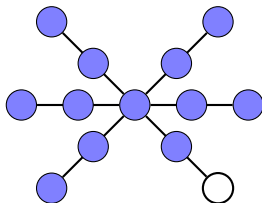
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(b)  $\gamma^{LD}(K_6) = \gamma^{OLD}(K_6) = 5$

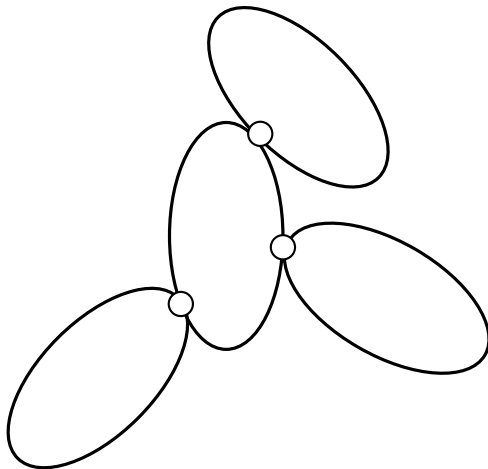


(a)  $\gamma^{OLD}(HG) = 8$

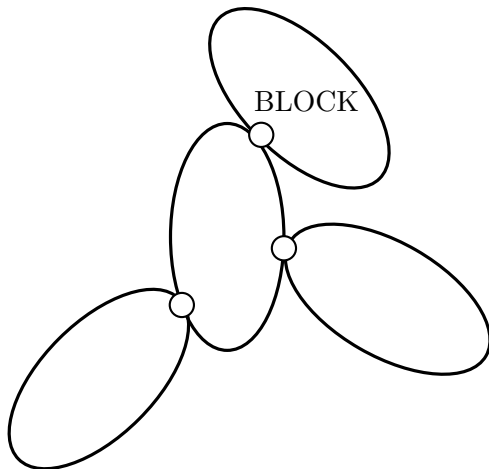


(b)  $\gamma^{OLD}(SSt_6) = 12$

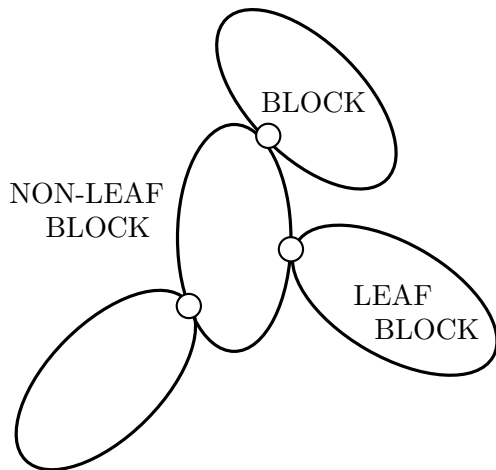
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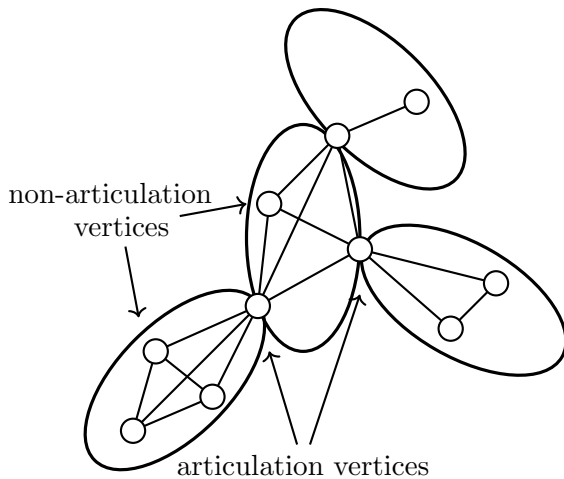
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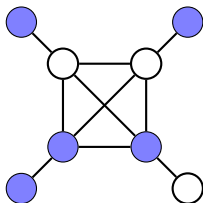
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Theorem (Conjecture. Argirosso et. al. (2018))

Let  $G$  be a closed twin-free block graph. Then  $\gamma^{ID}(G) \leq n_Q(G)$ , where  $n_Q(G)$  is the number of blocks of  $G$ .





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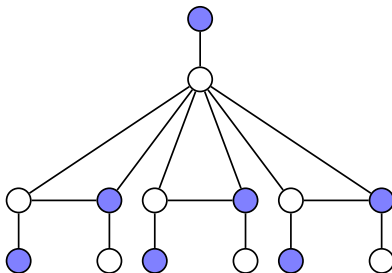
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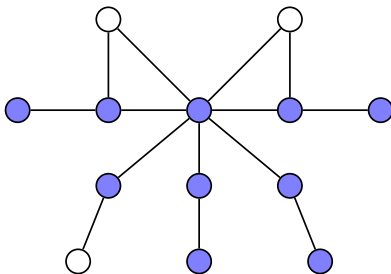
**In general:** For an open twin-free graph  $G$ ,  $\gamma^{OLD}(G) \leq |V(G)| - 1$ .

**Foucaud et. al. (2021):** Unless  $G$  is a half-graph, in which case,  
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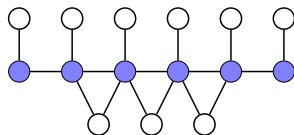
General lower bound:  $\gamma^{ID}(G), \gamma^{LD}(G), \gamma^{OLD}(G) \geq \lceil \log_2(|V(G)| + 1) \rceil$ .

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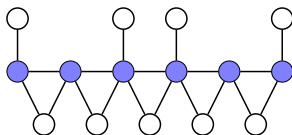
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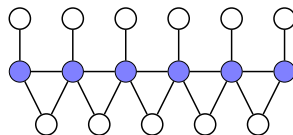
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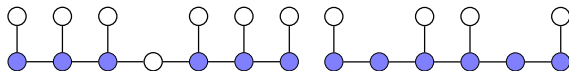
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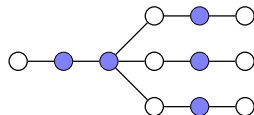
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(c)  $\gamma^{LD}(G) = 5$ ,  $|V(G)| = 12$

Thank you!