

# On full-separating sets in graphs

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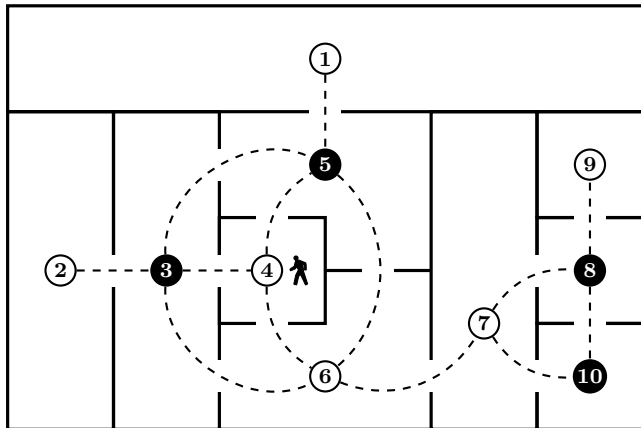
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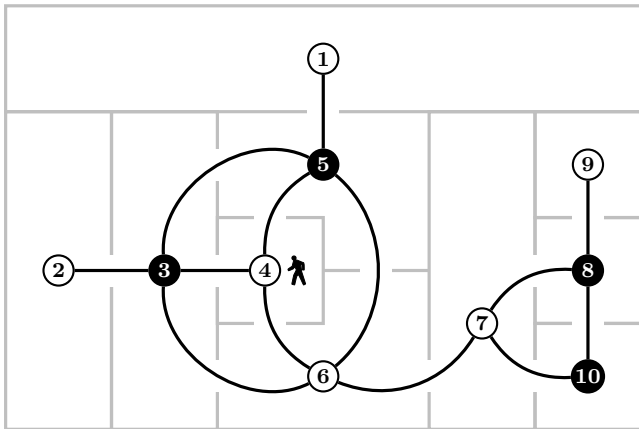
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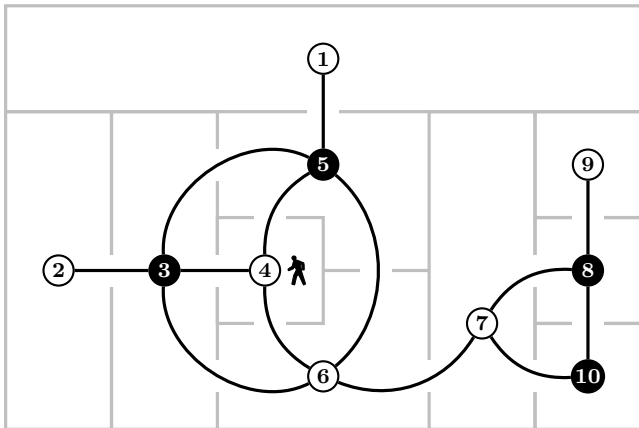


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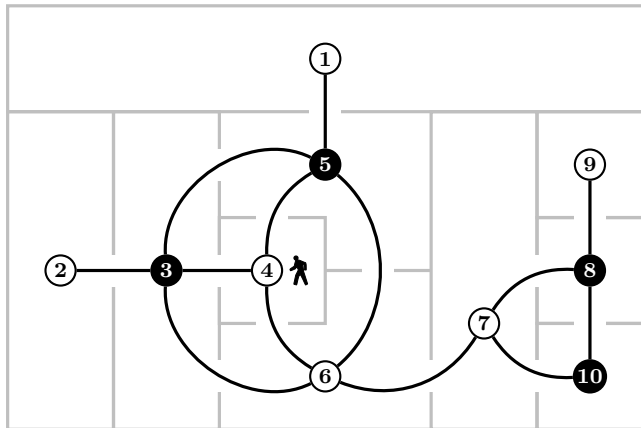
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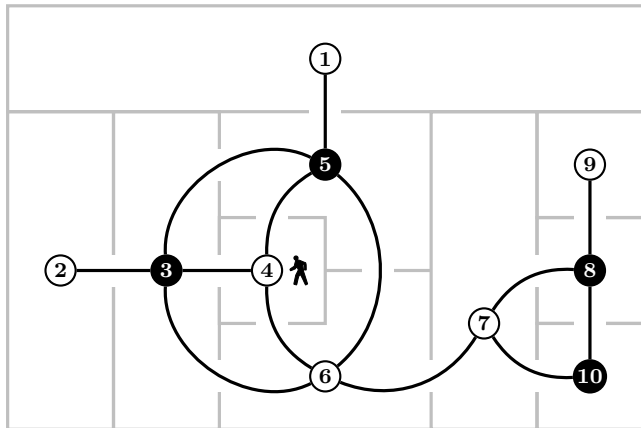
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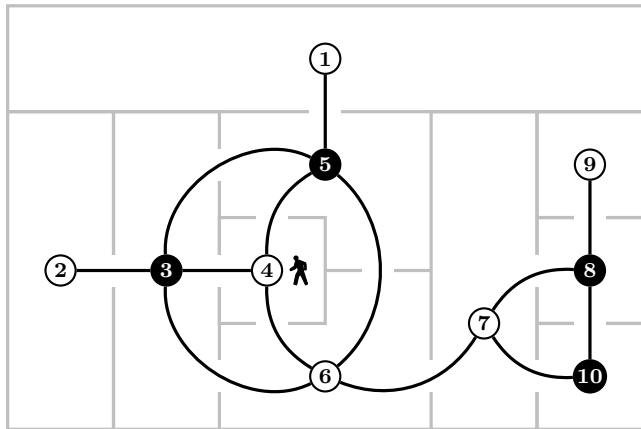
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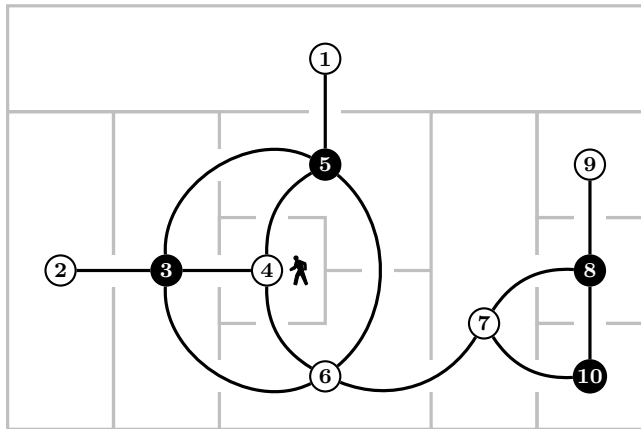
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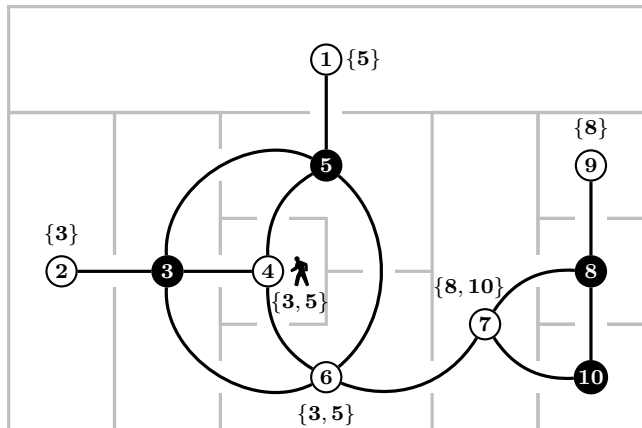
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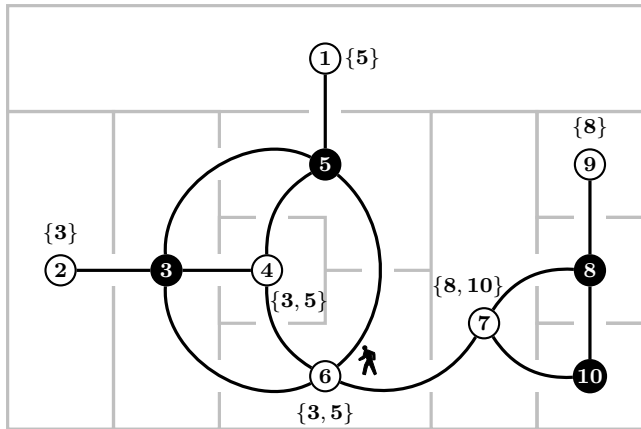
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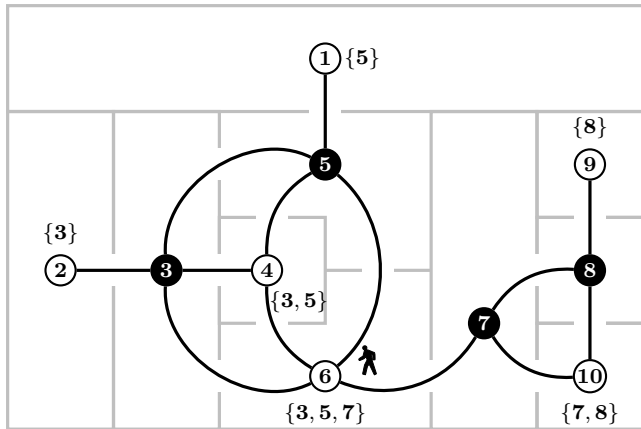
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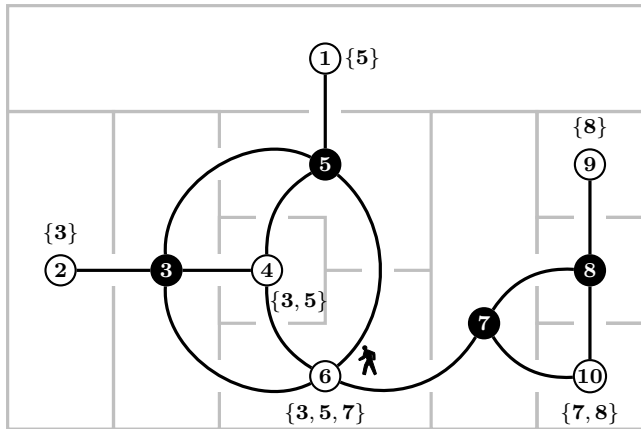
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**Separating set (locating):** A set  $C \subseteq V$  such that

$$N(u) \cap C \neq N(v) \cap C \iff (N(u) \Delta N(v)) \cap C \neq \emptyset \text{ for all } u, v \in V \setminus C$$

A vertex subset  $C$  of a graph  $G$  is called...

**Locating set:** if  $(N(u) \Delta N(v)) \cap C \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u, v \in V \setminus C$

*No faults in detectors: Detectors can distinguish between its vertex and its neighbor*  
(Slater, 1988)

**Closed-separating set:** if  $(N[u] \Delta N[v]) \cap C \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u, v \in V$

*Detector fault type 1: Detector cannot distinguish between itself and its neighbors*  
(Karpovsky et al., 1998)

**Open-separating set:** if  $(N(u) \Delta N(v)) \cap C \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u, v \in V$

*Detector fault type 2: Detector is completely disabled / destroyed*  
(Honkala et al., 2002 and Seo et al., 2010)

**C. and Wagler, 2024:**

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*Detector fault type 1 and detector fault type 2*

## Full-separating dominating code (FD-code):

A set with full-separating property + dominating property

## Full-separating total-dominating code (FTD-code):

A set with full-separating property + total-dominating property

Sep	C-Sep		O-Sep		L-Sep		F-Sep	
Code	CD	CTD	OD	OTD	LD	LTD	FD	FTD
adj	$N[u] \triangle N[v]$		$N(u) \triangle N(v)$		$N(u) \triangle N(v)$		$N[u] \triangle N[v]$	
non-adj					$N[u] \triangle N[v]$		$N(u) \triangle N(v)$	
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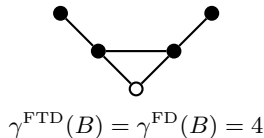
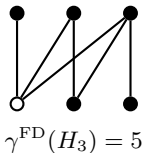
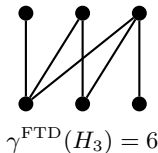


## Existence of full-separating sets:

The graph must be twin-free = open-twin-free + closed-twin-free

$X \in \text{CODES} = \{\text{LD}, \text{LTD}, \text{ID}, \text{ITD}, \text{OD}, \text{OTD}, \text{FD}, \text{FTD}\}$

**X-number** of a graph  $G$ :  $\gamma^X(G) = \min\{|C| : C \text{ is an X-code of } G\}$

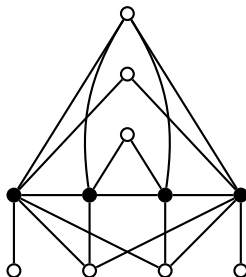


# Our results...

# General (tight) bounds...

A twin-free graph  $G$  on  $n$  vertices with an FD-code  $C$  implies

- $n \leq 2^{|C|} - |C|$ .
- $\gamma^{\text{FD}}(G) \geq 1 + \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$ .



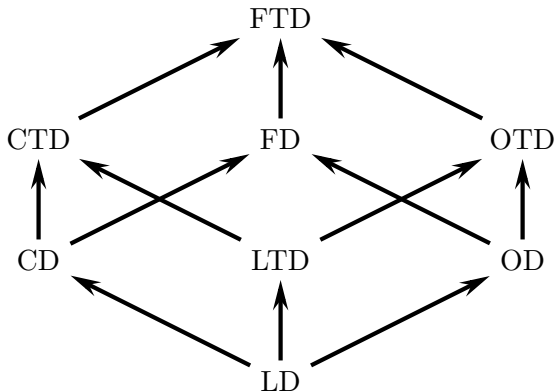
A twin-free and isolate-free graph  $G$  on  $n$  vertices with an FTD-code  $C$  implies

- $n \leq 2^{|C|} - |C| - 1$ .
- $\gamma^{\text{FTD}}(G) \geq 1 + \lfloor \log_2(n + 1) \rfloor$ .

Example of a graph whose FD- and FTD-numbers attain their logarithmic lower bounds.

**(NOTE: This is not an example of  $n = 2^{|C|} - |C|$ , where  $C$  is an FD-code)**

## Relations to other codes...



$X' \longrightarrow X$  stands for  $\gamma^{X'}(G) \leq \gamma^X(G)$

# An interesting result...

Theorem (C. and Wagler, 2024)

*For a twin-free and isolate-free graph  $G = (V, E)$ , we have*

$$\gamma^{\text{FTD}}(G) - 1 \leq \gamma^{\text{FD}}(G) \leq \gamma^{\text{FTD}}(G).$$

## Proof sketch.

Clearly,  $\gamma^{\text{FD}}(G) \leq \gamma^{\text{FTD}}(G)$  since any FTD-code is also an FD-code.

To prove the other inequality, take a minimum FD-code  $C$  of  $G$ .

Notice that there exists at most one  $v \in V$  such that  $N(v) \cap C = \emptyset$ . Thus  $C$  is “almost” total-dominating.

To turn  $C$  into an FTD-code, we may have to include in  $C$  one neighbor of  $v$ . This implies  $\gamma^{\text{FTD}}(G) \leq |C| + 1 = \gamma^{\text{FD}}(G) + 1$ .

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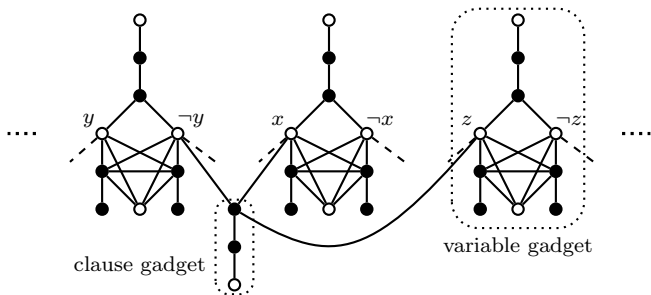
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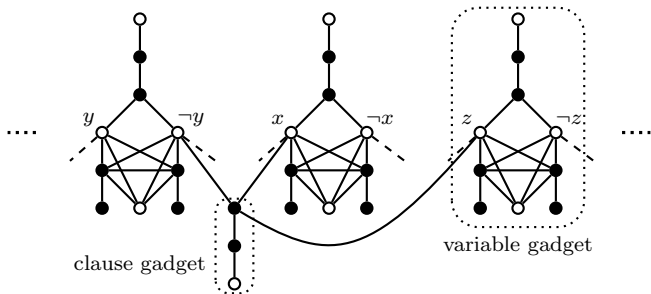
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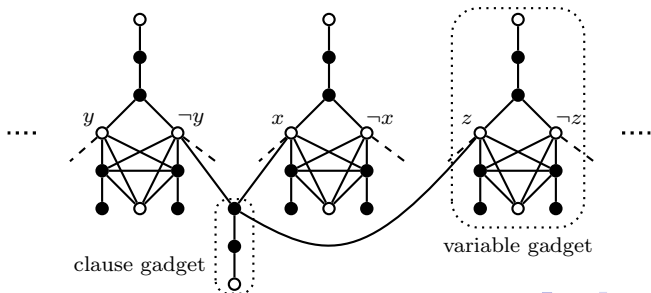
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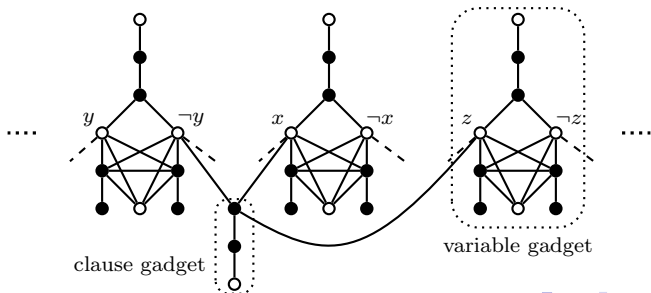
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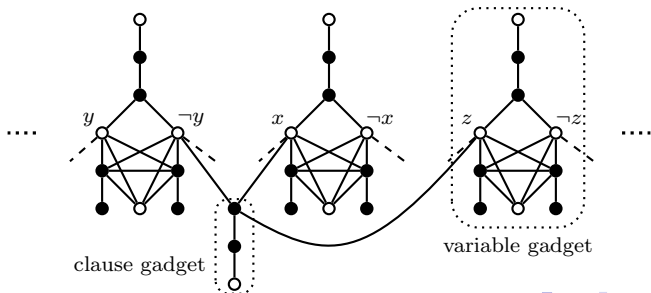
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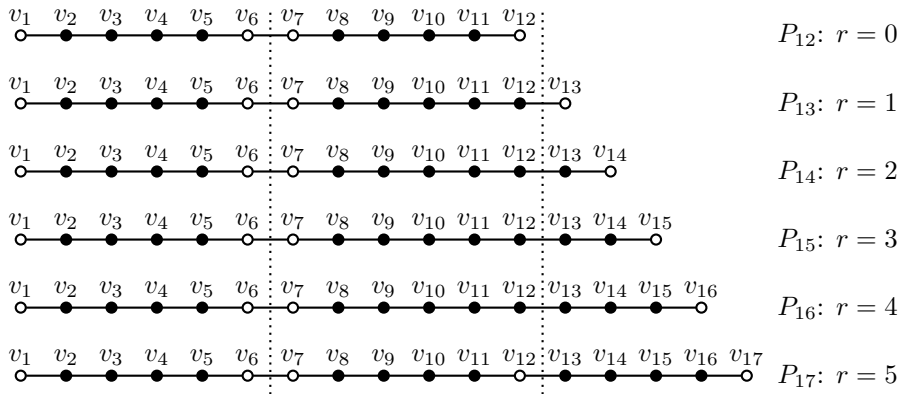
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# Theorem (C. and Wagler, 2024)

Let  $G$  be either a path  $P_n$  for  $n \geq 4$  or a cycle  $C_n$  for  $n \geq 5$ . Moreover, let  $n = 6q + r$  for non-negative integers  $q$  and  $r \in [0, 5]$ . Then

$$\gamma^{\text{FD}}(G) = \gamma^{\text{FTD}}(G) = \begin{cases} 4q + r, & \text{if } r \in [0, 4]; \\ 4q + 4, & \text{if } r = 5. \end{cases}$$

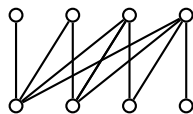


# Results on some other selected graph classes...

## A subclass of bipartite graphs:

For a half-graph  $H_k$  with  $k \geq 3$ , we have

$$\gamma^{\text{FTD}}(H_k) = 2k \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma^{\text{FD}}(H_k) = 2k - 1.$$



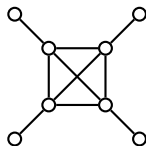
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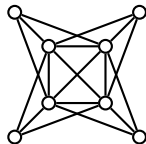
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- Study bounds and other combinatorial aspects of the FD- and FTD-codes on other well-known graphs classes.
- Study the new code numbers ( $\gamma^{\text{FD}}(\cdot)$  and  $\gamma^{\text{FTD}}(\cdot)$ ) with respect to other previously introduced code numbers like  $\gamma^{\text{LD}}(\cdot)$ ,  $\gamma^{\text{OTD}}(\cdot)$  etc.
- Explore the algorithmic aspects of FD-CODE and FTD-CODE more.



Thank you!