# Canonisation and Definability For Graphs of Bounded Rank Width

## Roadmap

A brief overview

#### Results

#### Machinery

- Foundation
- Logic Algorithm Game Theory
- Split and Flip

#### Proof Idea

The main ones at least...

#### Isomorphism Test:

• Runtime:  $n^{O(k)}$  from  $n^{f(k)}$ 

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#### Isomorphism Test

- General: quasi-polynomial
- Polynomial of graph classes:
  - Bounded degree, tree width, .... bounded rank width

#### Rank width almost invariant to complement

• Dense graphs can have small rank width

Detail

(3k+4)-dim Weisfeiler-Leman algorithm identifies

• *graphs rank width at most k* 

Isomorphism in  $O(n^{3k+5} \log n)$ ,  $rw(G) \le k$ 

Sentence from  $C^{3k+5}$  characterises,  $rw(G) \le k$ 

Canonisation algorithm in  $O(n^{3k+7} \log n)$ ,  $rw(G) \le k$ 

Graphs

#### Isomorphism

- $\varphi : V(G) \to V(H)$ , bijective and
- $vw \in E(G) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(v)\varphi(w) \in E(H)$

#### Coloured Graph

•  $(G, \chi)$  where  $\chi \colon V(G) \to \mathcal{C}$ 

Colourings

#### Colouring of k-tuple:

•  $\chi \colon V(G)^k \to \mathcal{C}$ 

For  $(G, \chi)$  and  $\overline{v} = (v_1, \ldots, v_k)$ 

- $\chi^{\bar{v}}:V\to\mathbb{N}$
- $v \mapsto i$  if  $v=u_i \land \forall j > i \ v \neq v_j$
- $v \mapsto \chi(v) + k$

Colourings

#### Refinement $\chi_1, \chi_2 : V(G)^k \to \mathcal{C}$ :

- $\chi_1 \preceq \chi_2$
- $\chi_1(\overline{\mathbf{v}}) = \chi_1(\overline{\mathbf{w}}) \Rightarrow \chi_2(\overline{\mathbf{v}}) = \chi_2(\overline{\mathbf{w}})$

#### Stable Colouring

•  $\chi_{\infty}$  stable  $\iff \forall \chi_2 \chi_2 \preceq \chi_{\infty}$ 

Colourings: Example

$$V := \{ \bullet \bullet \bullet \}$$

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Canonisation

#### Graph Canonisation for a class $\mathcal C$

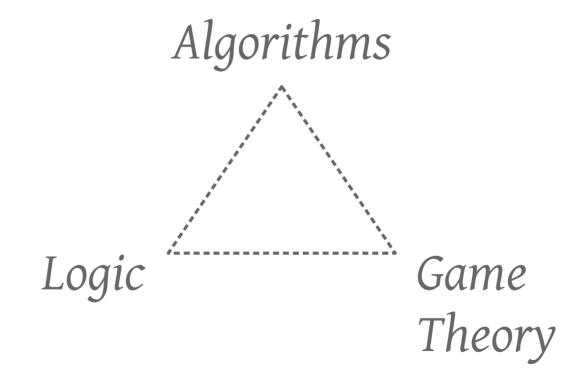
- $\kappa: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$
- $\forall G \in \mathcal{C}, \kappa(G) \cong G$
- $\forall G, H \in \mathcal{C}, G \cong H \Longrightarrow \kappa(G) = \kappa(H)$

#### Note that

• Graph isomorphism for  $\mathcal{C} \leq_{\mathtt{P}}$  graph canonisation for  $\mathcal{C}$ 

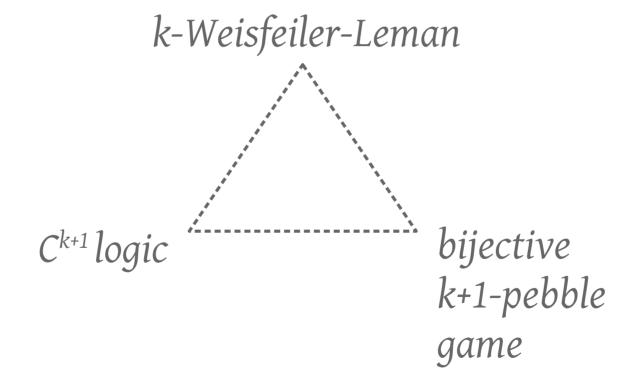
# Weisfeiler-Leman

## Correspondence



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Specific



k-Weisfeiler-Leman

#### k-dimensional Weisfeiler Leman

- Uses graph colouring
- Can establish non-isomorphism
- Not complete

#### Idea:

- Colour k-vertices
- Refine Colouring

k-Weisfeiler-Leman

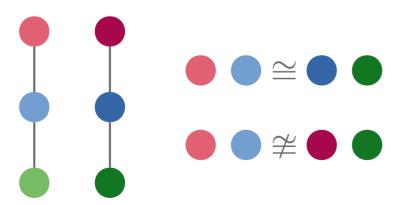
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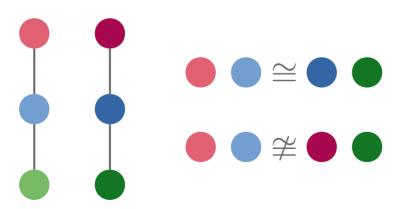
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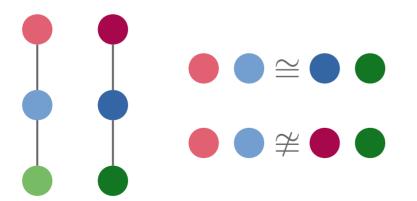
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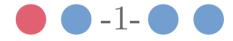


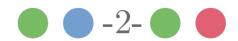
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k-Weisfeiler-Leman

#### Initialisation:

•  $\overline{v}$ ,  $\overline{w}$  different colours if  $\overline{v} \ncong \overline{w}$ 

#### Step:

- $\overline{v}$ ,  $\overline{w}$  different colours if
- $\exists i \leq k \; \exists \; c \in \mathcal{C}$  different number of i-neighbours of colour c
- $\Rightarrow$  (G,  $\chi_{\infty}$ ) stable, in O(n<sup>k+1</sup>log n)

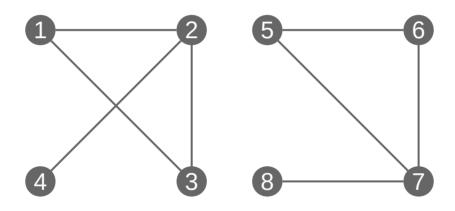
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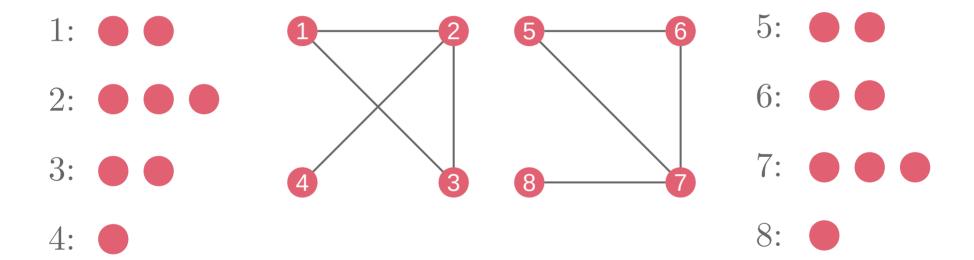
- $G_c := \{ \overline{v} \mid \overline{v} \in V^k(G), \chi_{\infty}(\overline{v}) = c \}$
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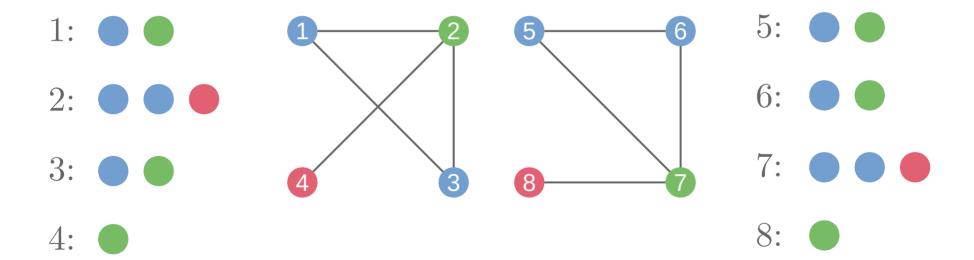
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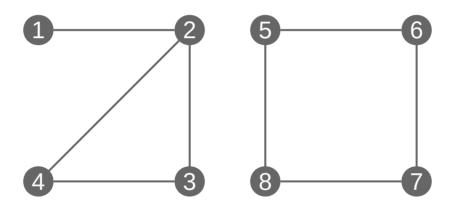
Identifies  $G :\iff \forall H, G \ncong H \Rightarrow G \not\simeq_k H$ 

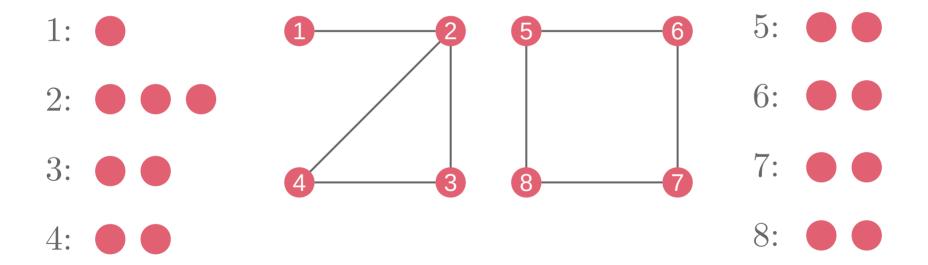


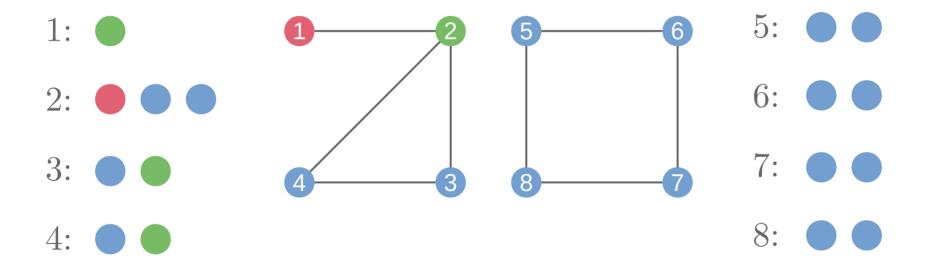
k-Weisfeiler-Leman: Example

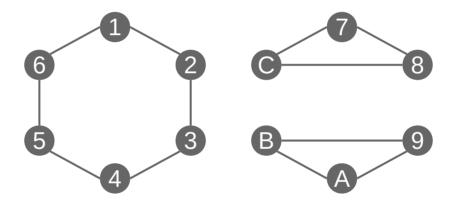












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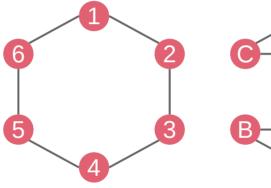
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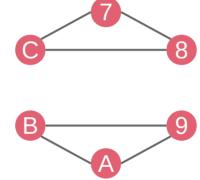
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A: •

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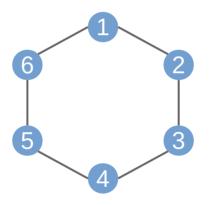
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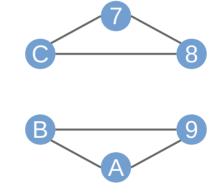
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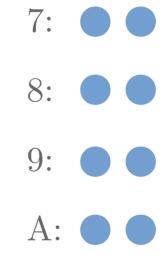
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Bijective k-pebble game

#### Setup:

- Spoiler and Duplicator
- Start Position:
  - -((),())
- Rounds:
  - $\overline{v} = (\overline{v}, \overline{w})$  where  $\overline{v} \in E(G)^l$  and  $\overline{w} \in E(H)^l$ ,  $0 \le l \le k$

Bijective k-pebble game

Position 
$$(\overline{v}, \overline{w}) = ((v_1, \ldots, v_1), (w_1, \ldots, w_1))$$

- Spoiler chooses move
  - Remove pebble (if 1 > 0)
  - Add pebble (if l < k)

Bijective k-pebble game

#### Remove move:

- Spoiler picks  $i \in [1,...,l]$
- Next round starts with

$$-\overline{v} = (v_1, \ldots, v_{i-1}, v_{i+1}, \ldots, v_l)$$

$$-\overline{w} = (w_1, \ldots, w_{i-1}, w_{i+1}, \ldots, w_l)$$

Bijective k-pebble game

#### Add move:

- Duplicator picks bijection  $\phi : V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$
- Spoiler chooses  $v \in V(G)$  and sets  $w = \phi(v)$
- Next round starts with
  - $\overline{v} = (v_1, \ldots, v_l, v)$
  - $-\overline{\mathbf{w}} = (\mathbf{w}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w})$

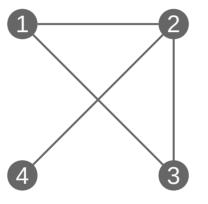
Bijective k-pebble game

Who wins  $((v_1, \ldots, v_1), (w_1, \ldots, w_1))$ :

- Spoiler wins if:
  - $\exists i \in [1,...,l] \ v_i = \bot \Leftrightarrow w_i = \bot$
  - $\exists i \in [1,...,l] \ \chi_G(v_i) \neq \chi_H(w_i)$
  - $-\exists i, j \in [1,...,l] \ v_i = v_j \Leftrightarrow w_i = w_j$
  - $\exists i, j \in [1,...,l] \ v_i v_j \in E(G) \Leftrightarrow w_i w_j \in E(H)$
- Duplicator wins if the game never ends

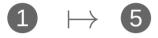


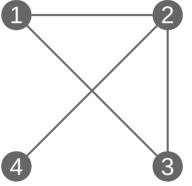
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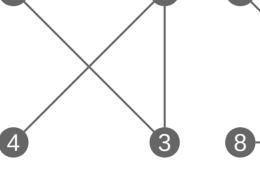






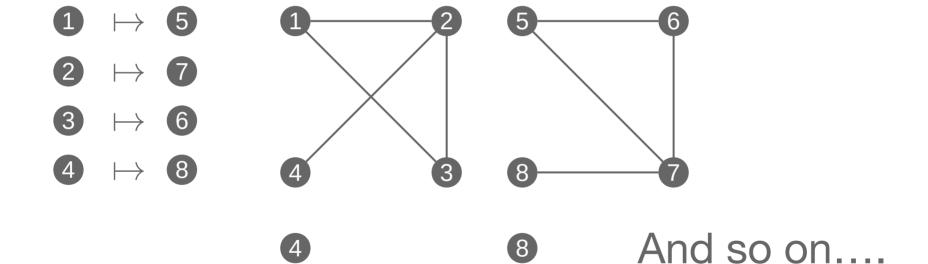


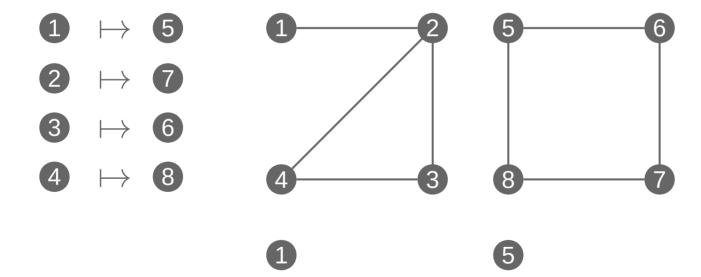






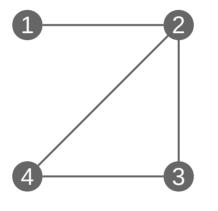




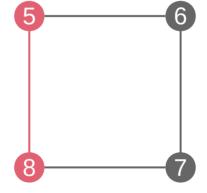




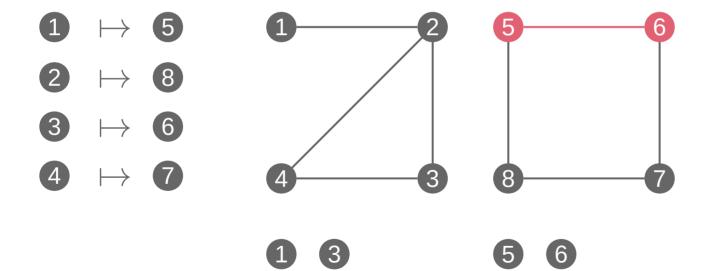
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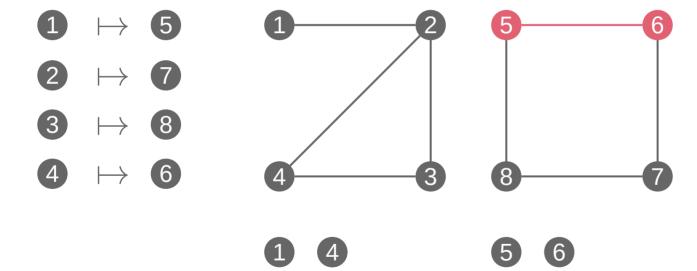


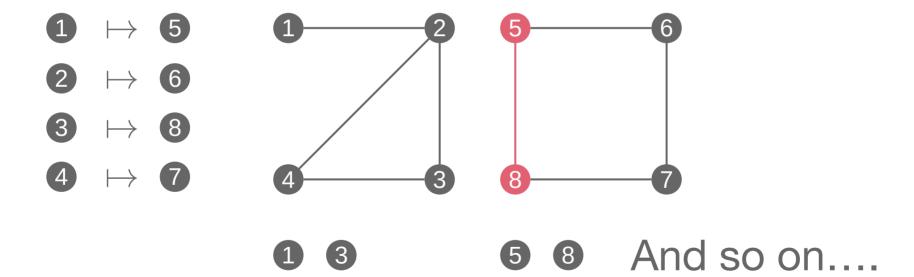


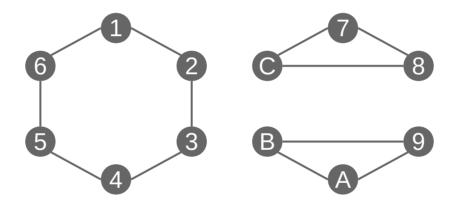


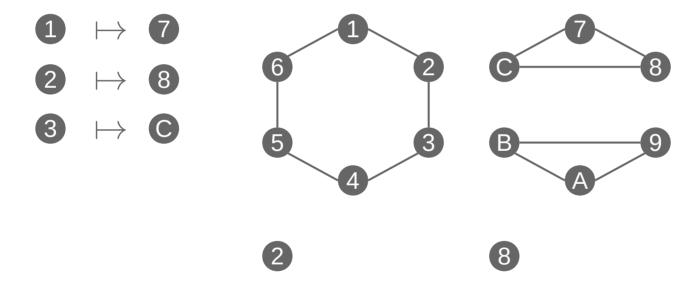


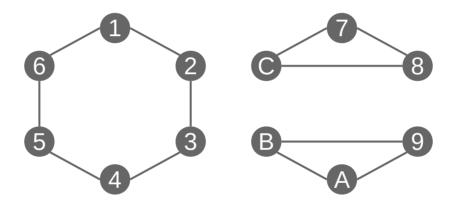


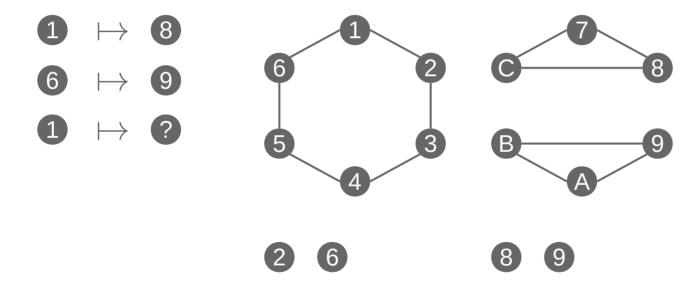












## Logic Ck+1 logic

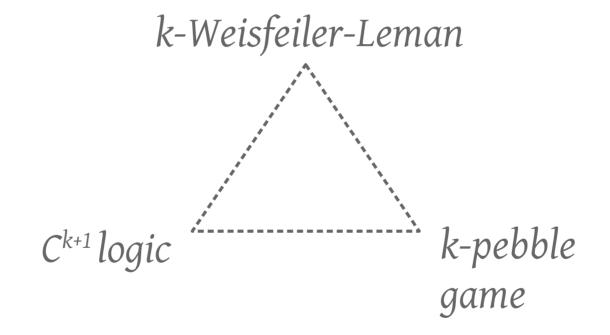
#### Ck+1 logic

- first-order Logic
- Counting quantifier, e.g.  $\exists^{\geq i} x \ \phi(x)$
- k-variable fragment

$$G \equiv_{C^{k+1}} H :\iff \forall \phi \in C^{k+1} G \models \phi \Leftrightarrow H \models \phi$$

### Correspondence

Specific



#### Correspondence

Theorems

#### For the graphs G and H

- $G \simeq_k H \iff Duplicator wins BP_{k+1}(G,H)$ .
- $G \simeq_k H \iff G \equiv_{C^{k+1}} H$
- G (k)-identified  $\Longrightarrow \varphi_G \in C^{k+1}$  characterises G

## Split and Flip



#### For $l \in O(k)$ , l-WLA identifies G if $rw(G) \le k$

- For  $X \subseteq V(G)$ , s.t.  $\rho_G(X) \leq k$
- Pebbling splits G in C
  - $C \subseteq X$  or  $C \subseteq \overline{X}$
  - independent

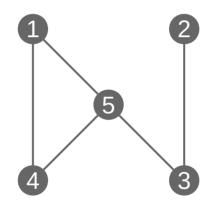
## Split Pair Definition

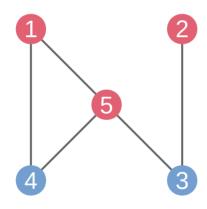
(A,B) (ordered) split pair for  $X \subseteq V(G)$ 

- $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq \overline{X}$  (A,B tuple)
- $\operatorname{vec}_{X}(A)$  basis of  $\langle \operatorname{vec}_{X}(X) \rangle$
- $\operatorname{vec}_{\overline{X}}(B)$  basis of  $\langle \operatorname{vec}_{\overline{X}}(\overline{X}) \rangle$

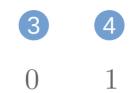
#### And

•  $v \in X$ ,  $vec_X(v) = (a_{vw})_{w \in \overline{X}}$  with  $a_{vw} = 1 \Leftrightarrow vw \in E(G)$ 



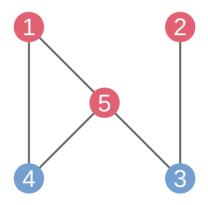


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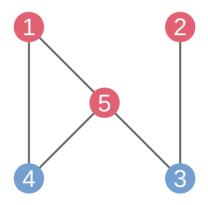














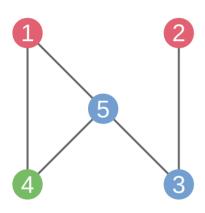
Definition

For  $\chi: V \to \mathcal{C}$ ,  $f: \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \to \{0,1\}$  is a flip function

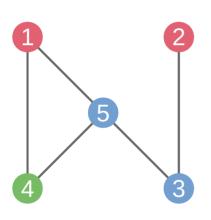
• If  $f(c_1, c_2) = f(c_2, c_1)$  for all  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathcal{C}$ 

 $G^f = (V, E^f, \chi)$  is a flipped graph of G where

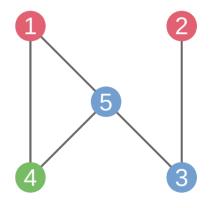
•  $E^f := \{vw \mid vw \in E(G) \land f(\chi(v), \chi(w)) = 0\} \cup \{vw \mid v \neq w \land vw \notin E(G) \land f(\chi(v), \chi(w)) = 1\}$ 



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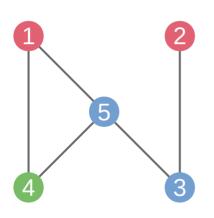


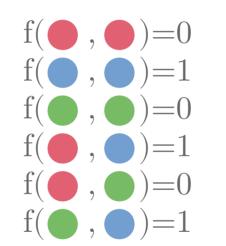
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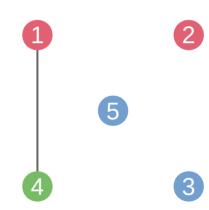


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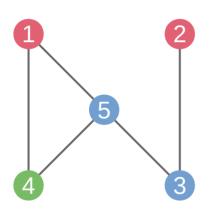




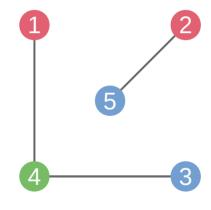


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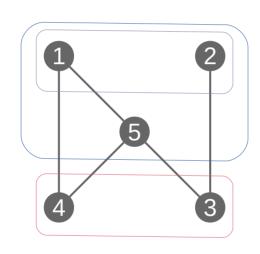
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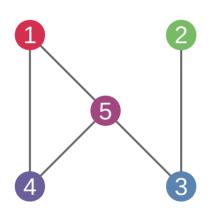
There exists a flip function f for  $G':=(G, \chi_{\infty}^{(\bar{a},\bar{b})})$ 

•  $C \in Comp(G',f)$  s.t.  $C \subseteq X$  or  $C \subseteq \overline{X}$ 



$$\mathbf{X}^{((1,2),(3,4)} \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}_{\infty}^{((1,2),(3,4))}$$

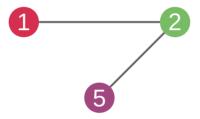
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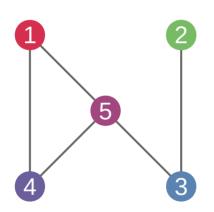


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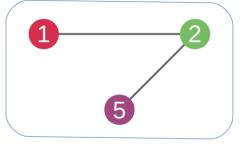
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Theorem

 $\varphi \colon V(G) \mapsto V(H)$ , bijection

•  $\phi$ :  $G \cong H \Leftrightarrow G^f \cong H^f$ 

#### Similarly,

- Stable colouring
- Game
  - Wins from the same position

# Proof (Idea)

Idea

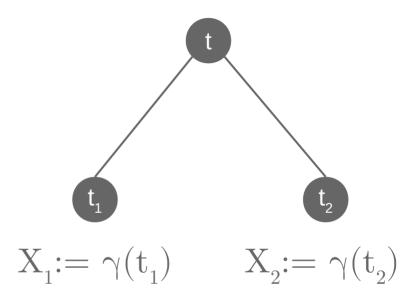
#### Rank decomposition

- Play along
- For X (small rank) find C's

– 
$$C \subset X$$
 or  $C \subset \overline{X}$ 

• Can be treated independently

#### $X = X_1 \uplus X_2$



Can remove pebbles from parent!

Induction Hypothesis

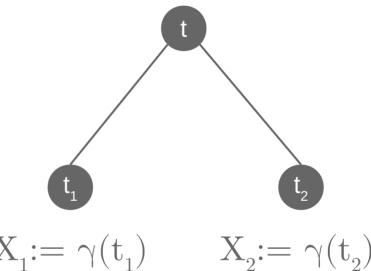
#### Position $((\overline{a}, \overline{b}, v), (\overline{a}', \overline{b}', v')) \Rightarrow$ Spoiler wins

- $(\overline{a}, \overline{b})$  ordered split pair  $t \in V(T)$  (i.e.  $\gamma(t)$ )
- $v \in \gamma(t)$
- f flip function wrt.  $X = \gamma(t)$ 
  - $-C \in Comp((G, \chi_{\infty}^{(\overline{a},\overline{b})}),f)$  s.t.  $v \in C$
  - $-C' \in Comp((H, \chi_{\infty}(\overline{a}',\overline{b}')),f) \text{ s.t. } v' \in C'$
- $(G[C], \chi_{\infty}^{(\overline{a},\overline{b},v)}) \ncong (H[C'], \chi_{\infty}^{(\overline{a}',\overline{b}',v')})$

Induction Step: Idea

$$|\gamma(t)|>1 \Rightarrow children$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}_1 \uplus \mathbf{X}_2$$



$$\mathbf{X_1}\!\!:=\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\mathbf{t_1}) \qquad \mathbf{X_2}\!\!:=\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\mathbf{t_2})$$

#### Spoiler moves to:

$$(\alpha,\alpha')\!:=\!((\overline{a},\!\overline{b},\!\overline{a}_1,\!\overline{b}_1,\!\overline{a}_2,\!\overline{b}_2,\!v),\!(\overline{a}',\!\overline{b}',\!\overline{a}_1',\!\overline{b}_1',\!\overline{a}_2',\!\overline{b}_2',\!v'))$$

Induction Step: Idea

#### From:

$$(\alpha,\alpha')\!:=\!((\overline{a},\overline{b},\overline{a}_1,\overline{b}_1,\overline{a}_2,\overline{b}_2,v),(\overline{a}',\overline{b}',\overline{a}_1',\overline{b}_1',\overline{a}_2',\overline{b}_2',v'))$$

#### Goal:

$$((\overline{a}_1, \overline{b}_1, z), (\overline{a}_1', \overline{b}_1', z')) \text{ or } ((\overline{a}_2, \overline{b}_2, z), (\overline{a}_2', \overline{b}_2', z'))$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathsf{IH}$$

Induction Step: Idea Case 1

#### Can find

- $C_1 \in Comp((G, \chi_{\infty}^{(\overline{a}1,\overline{b}1)}), f_1),$
- $C_1' \in Comp((H, \chi_{\infty}^{(\overline{a}_1, \overline{b}_1)}), f_1)$
- $(G[C_1], \chi_{\infty}^{(\alpha)}) \ncong (H[C_1'], \chi_{\infty}^{(\alpha')})$

#### Can find z, z'

- z = v, z' = v'
- $z = w, z' = \sigma(w)$

Induction Step: Idea Case 1

Obtain 
$$(G[C_1], \chi_{\infty}^{(\alpha,z)}) \ncong (H[C_1'], \chi_{\infty}^{(\alpha',z')})$$

- $C_1$  connected component in  $G^{f1}$
- $C_1$ ' connected component in  $H^{f1}$
- $\Rightarrow$  can remove pebbles outside  $C_1$  without worry
  - without effecting the colouring restricted to  $\mathrm{C}_1$

$$\Rightarrow \left(G[C_1],\,\chi_{\infty^{(\overline{a1},b\overline{1},z)}}\right) \not\cong \left(H[C_1'],\,\chi_{\infty^{(\overline{a1}',b\overline{1}',z')}}\right) \Rightarrow \mathsf{IH}$$

What about the rank width?

$$(\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (\overline{a}_1, \overline{b}_1) \text{ and } (\overline{a}_2, \overline{b}_2)$$

• Linear basis of  $\gamma(t)$ ,  $\gamma(t)$  and  $\gamma(t)$ 

$$rw(G) = k \Rightarrow size smaller k \Rightarrow 6k$$

• actually 6k + 5

Can be improved to 3k + 5

## Contributions

Detail

(3k+4)-dim Weisfeiler-Leman algorithm identifies

• *graphs rank width at most k* 

Isomorphism in  $O(n^{3k+5} \log n)$ ,  $rw(G) \le k$ 

Sentence from  $C^{3k+5}$  characterises,  $rw(G) \le k$ 

Canonisation algorithm in  $O(n^{3k+7} \log n)$ ,  $rw(G) \le k$ 

# Thank you.