# Dimension Métrique des Graphes Orientés 

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Precisely locate using few information How to generalize to graph metric?

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Metric Dimension $M D(G)$ : min. size of a resolving set in $G . \quad(M D(G) \leq|V|)$ example : for any tree $T, M D(T)=$ \#leaves - \#" branching nodes"

Computing $\operatorname{MD}(G)$ [Harary, Melter 76, Slater 75] is NP-c in planar graphs [Díaz et al. 17], W[2]-hard [Hartung,Nichterlein 13], FPT in tree-length [Belmonte et al. 17]...

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Localization of a moving target in a graph $G$ :
$\zeta(G)$ : min. number of probes per turn to locate the target moving in $G$ ?

- $\zeta(T) \leq 2$ for any tree $T$. Characterization of trees with $\zeta(T)=2$ [Seager 14]
- Deciding if $\zeta(G) \leq k$ is NP-hard ; [Bosek et al. 18]
- $\zeta(G) \leq p w(G)$ for any graph $G$, but $\zeta(G)$ unbounded in the class of graphs with treewidth $\leq 2$;
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- $\zeta(G) \leq 2$ for any outerplanar graph $G$.


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$M D(D)$ : min. size of a resolving set in a strong oriented graph $D$.

## Few related work

- upper bounds [Chartrand et al 00]
- NP-complete in strong oriented graphs [Rajan et al. 14]
- complete graphs [Lozano 13], Cayley digraphs [Fehr et al. 06], de Bruijn and Kautz [Rajan et al. 14]


## Worst/Best Oriented Metric Dimension (WOMD/BOMD)

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- tournaments: $\operatorname{WOMD}\left(K_{n}\right)=1 / 2$
- $\mathcal{H}_{n}$, class of Hamiltonian $n$-node graphs: $\operatorname{BOMD}\left(\mathcal{H}_{n}\right)=1 / n$. Every Hamiltonian graph has an orientation $D$ with $M D(D)=1$.



## Our contributions

Focus on Worst Orientations (WOMD) for various graph classes.
$\mathcal{G}_{\Delta}$ : class of graphs with maximum degree $\leq \Delta$.

- $\frac{2}{5} \leq W O M D\left(\mathcal{G}_{3}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- $\frac{1}{2} \leq W O M D\left(\mathcal{G}_{4}\right) \leq \frac{6}{7}$
- $\lim _{\Delta \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{WOMD}\left(\mathcal{G}_{\Delta}\right)=1$


## Grids : class of cartesian grids.

- $\frac{1}{2} \leq W O M D($ Grids $) \leq \frac{2}{3}$

WOMD* defined as WOMD but over Eulerian orientations
(in-degree=out-degree).

## Tori : class of cartesian tori.

- WOMD $^{*}($ Tori $)=\frac{1}{2}$


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## Upper bound : $D=(V, A)$ be any strong oriented graph

$G_{a u x}$ undirected graph with vertex-set $V$

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\{u, v\} \in E\left(G_{a u x}\right) \Leftrightarrow N_{D}^{-}(u) \cap N_{D}^{-}(v) \neq \emptyset \text { (intersecting in-neighborhoods). }
$$

Lemma : Every (non-empty) vertex cover of $G_{a u x}$ is a resolving set for $D$
Application : If $G_{a u x}$ has max. degree $\Delta^{\prime}$, then $\chi\left(G_{a u x}\right) \leq \Delta^{\prime}+1$ (chromatic number), so $\alpha\left(G_{\text {aux }}\right) \leq \frac{\Delta^{\prime}}{\Delta^{\prime}+1} n$, and so $M D(D) \leq \frac{\Delta^{\prime}}{\Delta^{\prime}+1} n$ for any strong orientation $D$ of $G$.

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## Do the maths :

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& \lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M D}{|V|} \geq \frac{2}{5} \text { for } \Delta=3 \\
& \lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M D}{|V|} \geq \frac{1}{2} \text { for } \Delta=4 \\
& \lim _{\Delta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M D}{|V|}=1
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## Lower Bounds for Grids and Tori

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Lemma: For $\mathcal{G} \in\{$ Grids, Tori $\}, \operatorname{WOMD}(\mathcal{G}) \geq \frac{1}{2}$


## Upper Bound for Tori : ad-hoc proof

Thm : Eulerian orientation $\vec{T}$ of the torus $\left(d^{+}=d^{-}=2\right) \Rightarrow M D(\vec{T}) \leq n / 2$
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Replace $n_{v}$ by $u$ in $X$, sequentially in all "bad squares", makes $X$ a resolving set (proof by case analysis).


## Upper Bound for Grid : another ad-hoc proof :(

Thm : Any orientation $\vec{G}$ of a grid $\Rightarrow M D(\vec{G}) \leq 2 n / 3$
Start with a set $X$ (in black), local modifications till resolving set of same size.


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