# Polynomial kernels for 3-leaf power graph modification problems

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#### **Edition - Motivation**

- Experimental errors.
- Graph modification problems.
- NP-hard (ex : CLUSTER EDITION).

#### Graph modification problems

 $\mathcal{F}$ -edition : transform a graph *G* with at most *k* edges modification into a graph that belongs to  $\mathcal{F}$ .

#### **Different techniques**

- Approximation algorithms
- Exact exponential algorithms
- Probabilistic algorithms
- Parameterized algorithms

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Let *T* be a tree. The *p*-leaf power of *T* is the graph  $T^p = (V, E)$  whose vertices are leaves of *T* and such that  $(x, y) \in E$  iff  $d_T(x, y) \leq p$ .

#### Properties

- Every leaf power is chordal.
- The *p*-LEAF POWER class of graphs is closed under induced subgraph and true twin addition.



## Recognition

- Polynomial for  $p \le 5$  (Brandstädt (05,06), Chang et Ko 07).
- Open for *p* > 5.

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## **FPT** results

- 3-LEAF POWER EDITION  $\in FPT$  (Dom et al., 05)
- 4-LEAF POWER EDITION  $\in$  *FPT* (Dom et al., 08)

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#### Lemma (Dom et al., 05)

One can always find an optimal 3-*leaf power edition* that does not break any critical clique.

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Given  $\mathcal{F}$  an hereditary graph family closed under true twin addition, there always exists an optimal edition that does not break any critical clique.

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#### Problem

**Question** : is there a polynomial kernel for the 3-LEAF POWER EDITION problem ? (Dom, Guo, Hüffner et Niedermeier., 05).

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#### Connected components and critical cliques

- Remove from *G* every connected component *C* such that *G*[*C*] is 3-leaf power.
- If G has a critical clique K of size |K| > k + 1, then remove |K| k 1 vertices of K from V(G).



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#### Notation

- An attachment point is a critical clique which has neighbors in G \ S.
- An *i*-branch is a branch *B* with *i* attachment points.



#### Rule: 1-branch

If *G* contains a 1-branch *B* with attachment point *P*, then remove from *G* the vertices of  $B \setminus P$  and add a new critical clique of size  $\min\{|N_B(P)|, k+1\}$  adjacent to *P*.



#### Rule : several 1-branches

**Idea.** If too many 1-branches are attached to the same neighborhood N in G, then transform N into a critical clique.



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## Rule : 2-branch

Let *B* be a 2-branch whose |path(B)| contains at least 8 critical cliques. It is safe to do the following :



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- Deduce the number of vertices of G<sub>S</sub> (|G<sub>S</sub>| ≤ |H<sub>S</sub>| + 4k (Protti et. al, 07)).
- Conclude by the rule which bound the number of vertices of every critical clique of *G*.

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#### Remark

For the 3-LEAF POWER COMPLETION problem, the 2-branch reduction rule is no longer safe. Thus, in order to build a cubic kernel for this problem, another reduction rule is needed.

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#### Rule : long cycle

If *G* has a clean 2-branch such that  $|path(B)| \ge k + 4$  then there is no 3-leaf power completion of size at most *k* for *G*.

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