

# Locally checkable problems parameterized by treewidth, clique-width and mim-width

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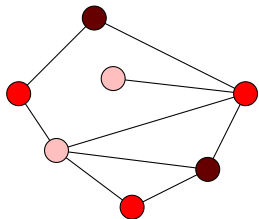
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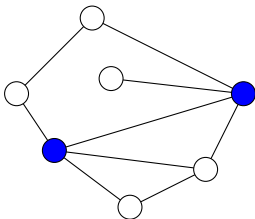
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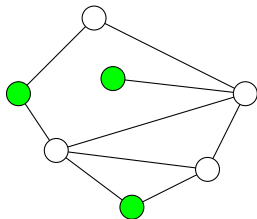
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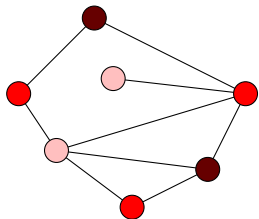
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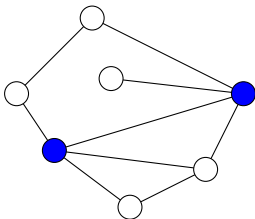
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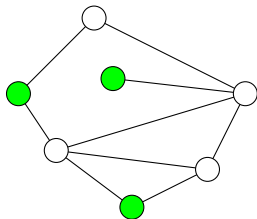
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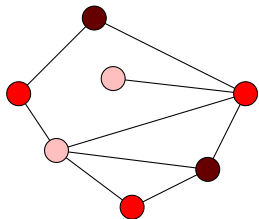


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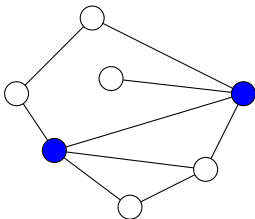
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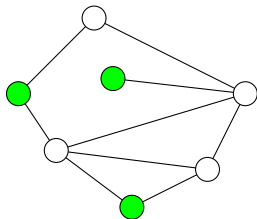
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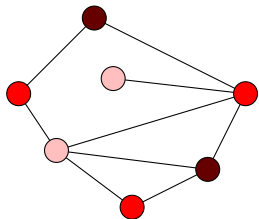
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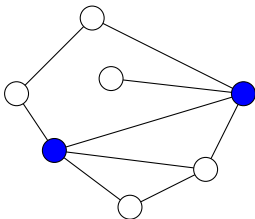
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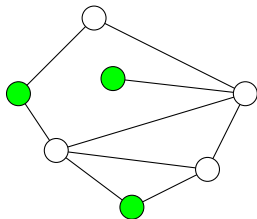
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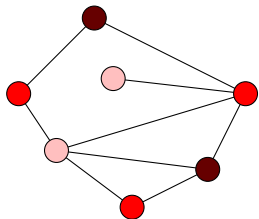
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## Related work

- Monadic Second Order Logic (Courcelle's theorem)  
[B. Courcelle 1990]
- DN-logic  
[B. Bergougnoux, J. Dreier and L. Jaffke 2022]
- Locally Checkable Vertex Partitioning (LCVP) problems  
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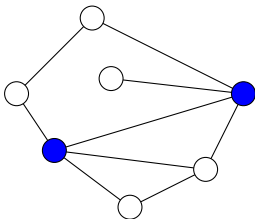
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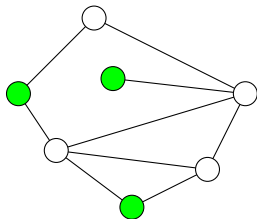
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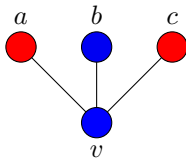
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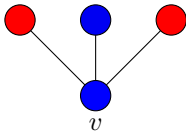
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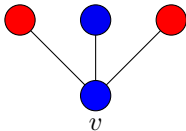
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Dynamic programming algorithm based on [B.M. Bui-Xuan, J.A. Telle and M. Vatshelle 2013].

Alternative: modeling with DN-logic.

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[R. Adhikary, K. Bose, S. Mukherjee, B. Roy 2020]

# Adding global properties

- Treewidth: size, connectivity, acyclicity
- Clique-width: size, connectivity
- Mim-width: size, connectivity and any other expressible in DN-logic

# Applications

Using this framework we proved that:

Problem	clique-width	mim-width
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mimw	Constant	No	$d$ -stable	Size, connectivity and any other expressible in DN-logic