New Geometric Representations and Domination Problems on Tolerance and Multitolerance Graphs

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- \implies we want to treat several genomic parts non-uniformly.

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- In a multitolerance graph G = (V, E), $uv \in E$ whenever:
 - there exists a tolerance-interval $Q_u \in \tau_u$ such that $Q_u \subseteq I_v$, or
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- It seems to be essential to assume (some) given representation:
 - Tolerance graphs are NP-complete to recognize [Mertzios, Sau, Zaks, *STACS*, 2010; *SIAM J. Comp.*, 2011]
 - Recognition of multitolerance graphs: Open !

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- These representations enabled the design of algorithms:
 - for clique, coloring, independent set, ...
 - in most cases with (optimal) $O(n \log n)$ running time

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- both these problems are:
 - NP-complete on weakly chordal graphs [Booth, Johnson, *SIAM J. Computing*, 1982] [Müller, *Discr. Math*, 1996]
 - polynomial on bounded (multi)tolerance (and cocomparability) graphs [Kratsch, Stewart, SIAM J. Discr. Math, 1993]
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- the known models do not provide (enough) insight for these problems
- \Rightarrow new models are needed !

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- Applications of these new models:
 - Dominating Set is APX-hard on multitolerance graphs (i.e. no PTAS unless P = NP)
 - Dominating Set is polynomially solvable on tolerance graphs
 - Independent Dominating Set is polynomially solvable on multitolerance graphs (by a sweep-line algorithm)

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- Implications of the new representations:
 - we can reduce optimization problems on these graphs
 → to problems in computational geometry
 - Dominating Set is the first problem with different complexity in tolerance & multitolerance graphs
 - \longrightarrow surprising dichotomy result
 - useful for sweep-line algorithms

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- \Rightarrow dynamic programming, using the position of the unbounded vertices

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Separate dynamic programming: "bounded" dominating set

- use only bounded vertices to dominate the (sub)graph
- specifying the "leftmost" and "rightmost" bounded vertices
- ightarrow not always possible to find a feasible solution !

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In contrast to dominating set:

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