Intersection Graphs of Non-crossing Paths

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Definition

For a collection \mathbb{S} of sets $S_1, ..., S_n$, the *intersection graph* $G(\mathbb{S})$ of \mathbb{S} has vertex set \mathbb{S} and edge set $\{S_iS_j : i, j \in \{1, ..., n\}, i \neq j, \text{ and } S_i \cap S_j \neq \emptyset\}.$ We call \mathbb{S} an *intersection representation* of $G(\mathbb{S})$.



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/e/e9/Intersection_
graph.gif

Crossing

Two connected sets cross if their difference is disconnected.



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 [Corneil, Kamula 1987; Deng, Hell, Huang 1996]

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Note: this implies every clique tree of a Claw-free Graph is an NC Path-tree!

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Theorem (Wenger 1967)

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By forbidding Nets we further forbid any node in T to have degree \geq 3.

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Idea: Mark the "3-suns" in the clique tree T. Root it at a leaf. Process T "bottom-up" computing some MDSs on the parts of T between the "3-suns".

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- 2. "cut" *G* on the separator *xy* to make the Rooted representations.



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Open Questions:

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- 2. What about NC Tree-Grid graphs?

Thank you!