# Permutation graphs - an introduction 

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## Permutation graphs



- Optimisation algorithms
use, as input, the intersection model (realizer)
- Recognition algorithms
output the intersection(s) model(s)


## Plan of the talk

1. Relationship with other graph classes
2. Optimisation problems : MaxIndependentSet/MaxClique/Coloring; Treewidth
3. Recognition algorithm
4. Encoding all realizers via modular decomposition
5. Conclusion

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## More intersection graph classes



Circle graphs


Trapezoid graphs

Books on graph classes : [Golumbic '80; Brandstädt, Le, Spinrad '99; Spinrad 2003]

## MaxIndependentSet via Dynamic Programming



- Dynamic programming from left to right :

$$
M I S[i]=1+\max _{j \text { left to } i} M I S[j]
$$

- MaxIndependentSet corresponds to the longest increasing sequence in a permutation - $O(n \log n)$
- MaxClique : longest decreasing sequence
- Coloring : chromatic number $=$ max clique (perfect graphs)


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## Recognition algorithm

Theorem ([Pnueli, Lempel, Even '71], see also [Golumbic '80]) $G$ is a permutation graph if and only if $G$ and $\bar{G}$ are comparability graphs.

Algorithm

1. Find a transitive orientation of $G$ and one of $\bar{G}$
2. Construct an intersection model for $G$

In $O(n+m)$ time by [McConnell, Spinrad '99]

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## A realizer of $G$

Permutations $\pi_{1}\left(E_{t r} \cup F_{t r}\right)$ and $\pi_{2}\left(\operatorname{rev}\left(E_{t r}\right) \cup F_{t r}\right)$ form a realizer of $G$.


Segments $x$ and $y$ intersect iff $(x y) \in E_{t r}$ and $(y x) \in \operatorname{rev}\left(E_{t r}\right)$ or vice-versa ; equivalently, iff $x y \in E$.

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## Encoding realizers

## Theorem ([Gallai '67])

A prime permutation graph has a unique realizer, up to reversals.

The modular decomposition tree + realizers of prime nodes encode all possible realizers of $G$, cf. [Crespelle, Paul 2010].


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