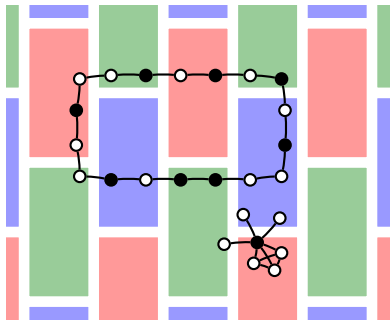


Local 3-approximation algorithms for weighted dominating set and vertex cover in quasi unit-disk graphs

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Introduction

Local algorithms: output at each node depends only on the constant-radius neighbourhood of the node

(Linial 1992, Naor and Stockmeyer 1995)

Assumptions:

- ▶ Unit-disk graph
- ▶ Each node knows its coordinates

Problems:

- ▶ Dominating set
- ▶ Vertex cover

Prior work

Dominating set:

- ▶ 15-approximation (Urrutia 2007)
- ▶ 5-approximation (Czyzowicz et al. 2008)
- ▶ $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximation (Wiese and Kranakis 2007)

Vertex cover:

- ▶ 12-approximation trivial
- ▶ $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximation (Wiese and Kranakis 2008)

Our contributions

Simple local algorithm

3-approximation

Small local horizon (locality distance):

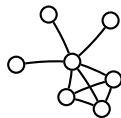
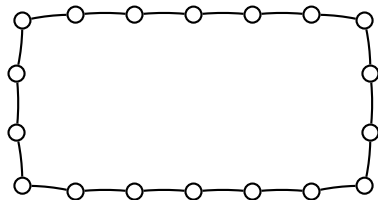
- ▶ Present algorithm: $r = 83$
- ▶ Wiese and Kranakis (2007):
 $r = 46814$ for 3-approximation

Quasi unit-disk graphs

Weighted versions

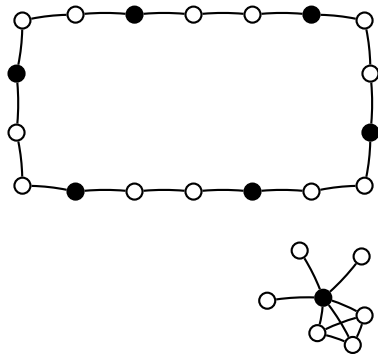
Dominating set

Input — assumed to be a unit-disk graph

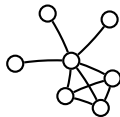
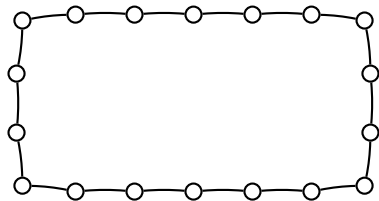


Dominating set

An optimal solution

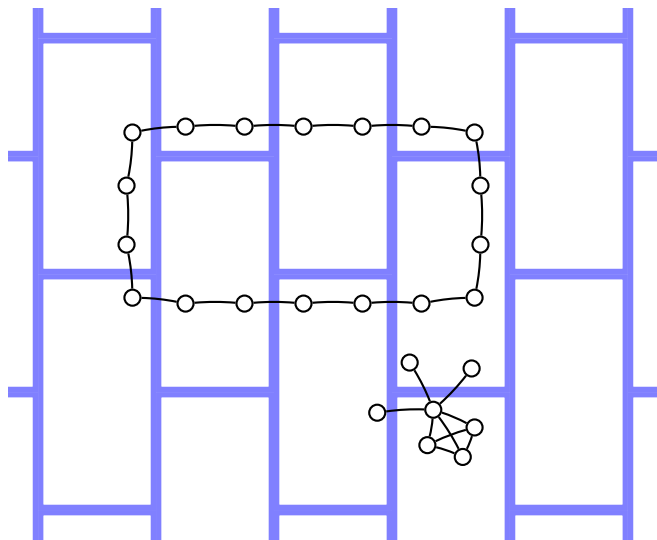


Dominating set: local algorithm



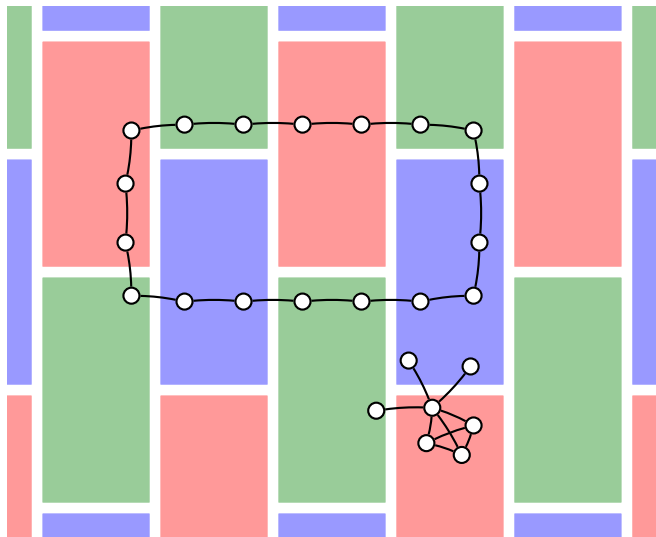
Dominating set: local algorithm

Tile the plane with 2×4 rectangles



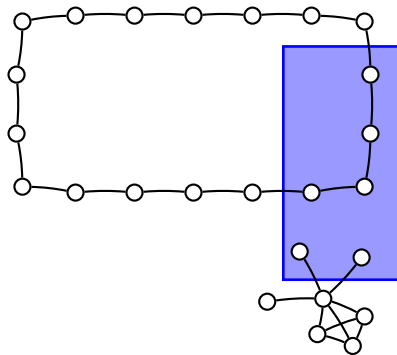
Dominating set: local algorithm

3-colour the rectangles



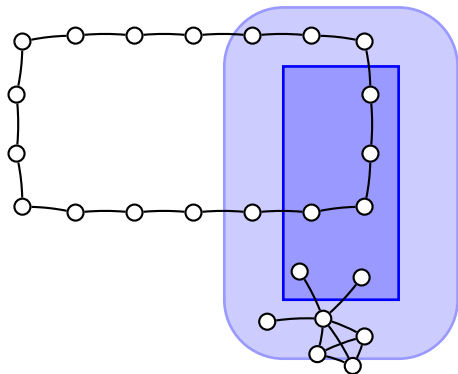
Dominating set: local algorithm

For each rectangle...



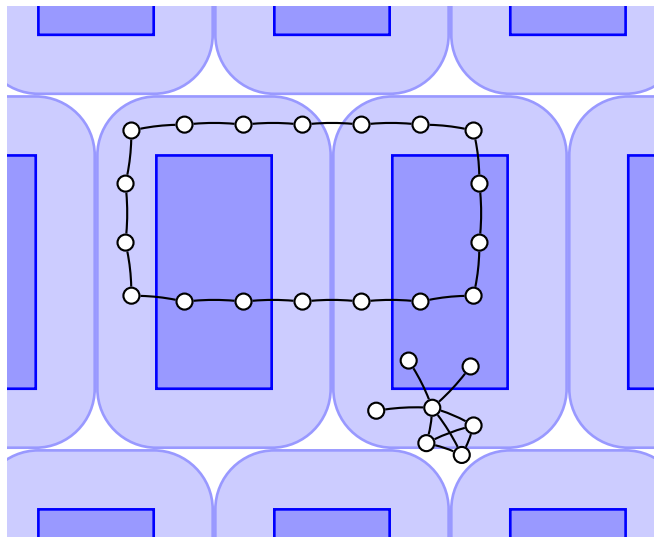
Dominating set: local algorithm

For each rectangle construct an extended rectangle



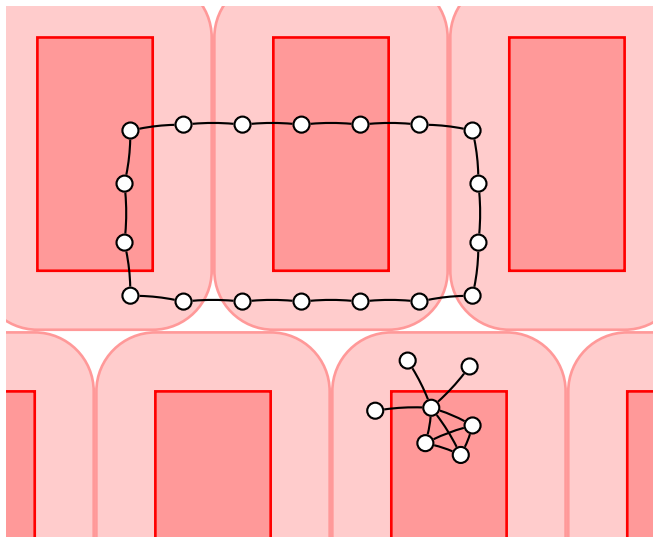
Dominating set: local algorithm

Extended rectangles are non-intersecting for each colour



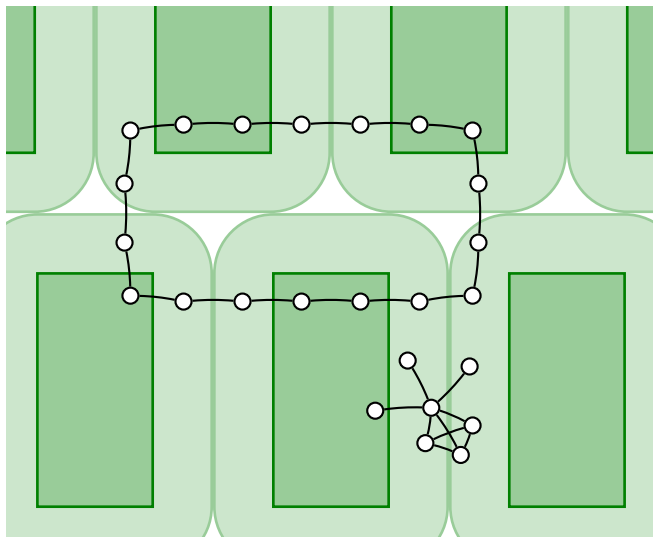
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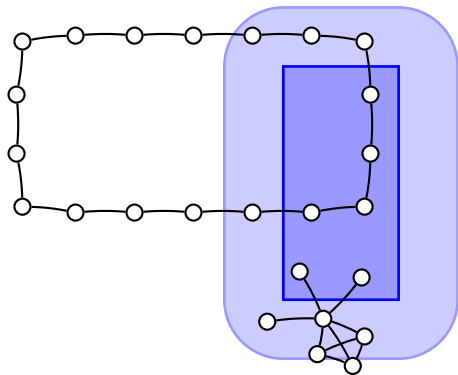
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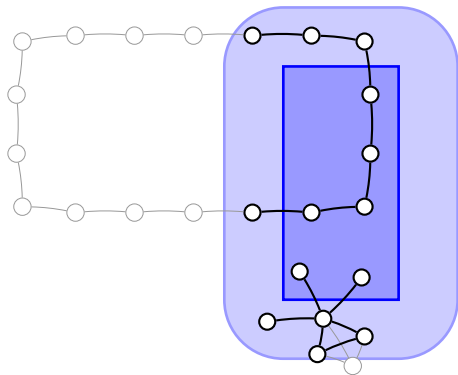
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For each extended rectangle...



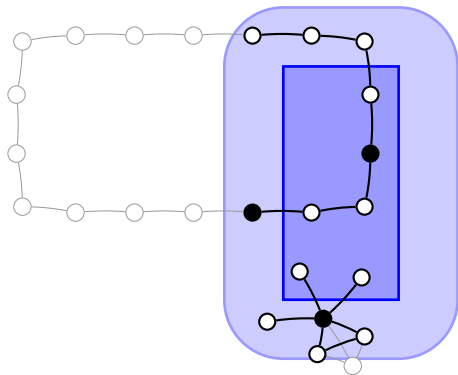
Dominating set: local algorithm

For each extended rectangle, form a subproblem. . .



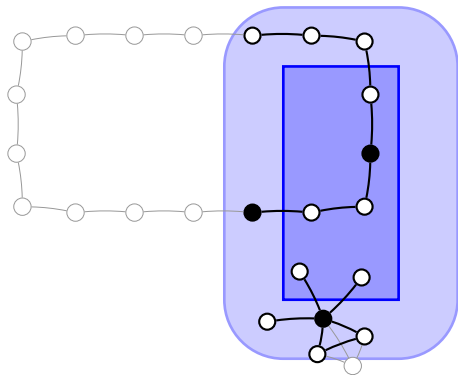
Dominating set: local algorithm

... and solve the subproblem optimally



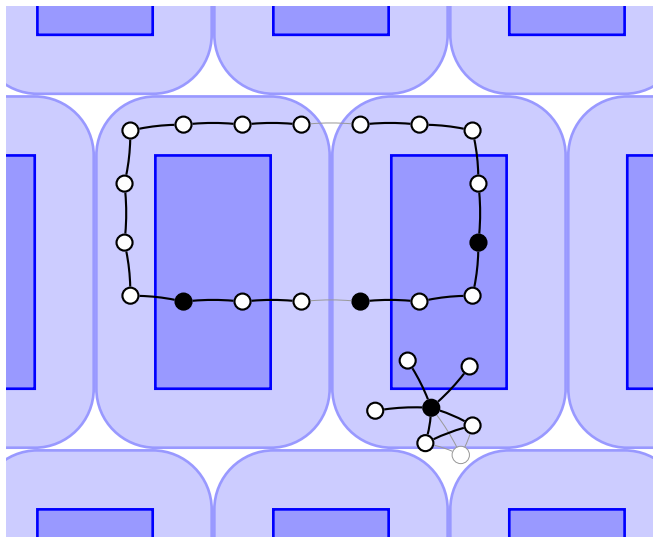
Dominating set: local algorithm

Only inside needs to be dominated



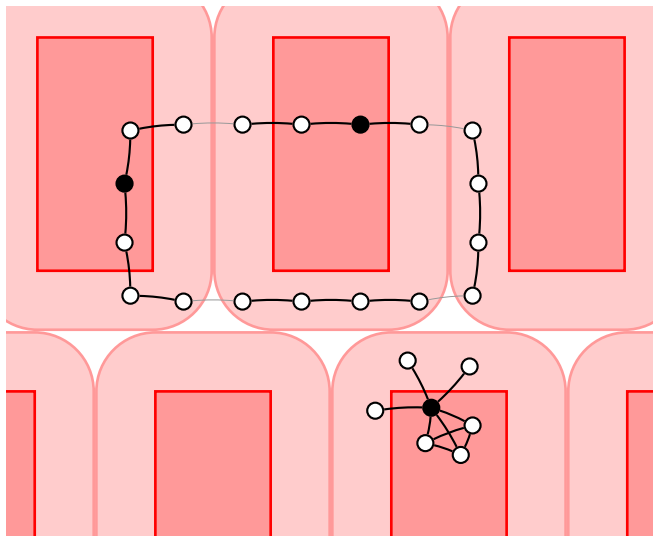
Dominating set: local algorithm

Repeat for each rectangle



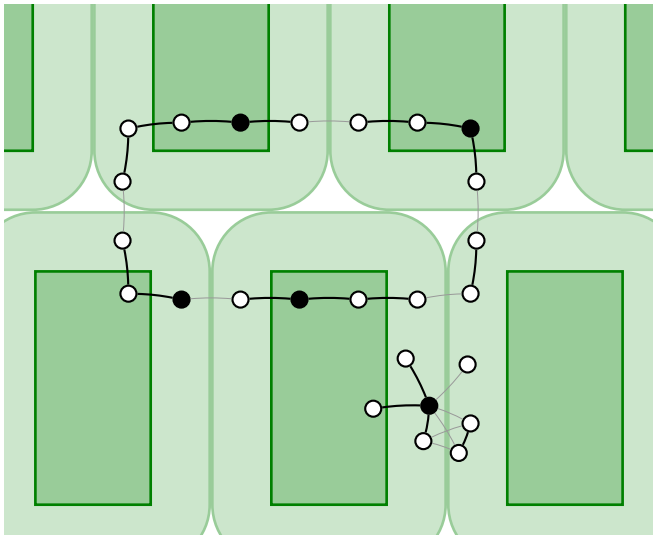
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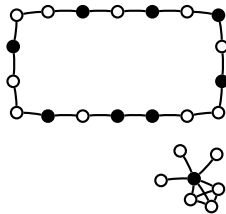
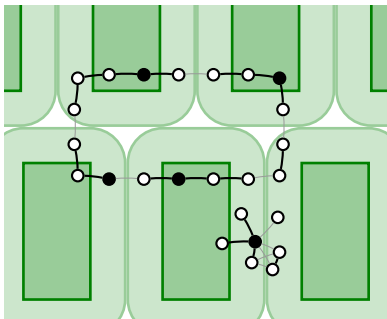
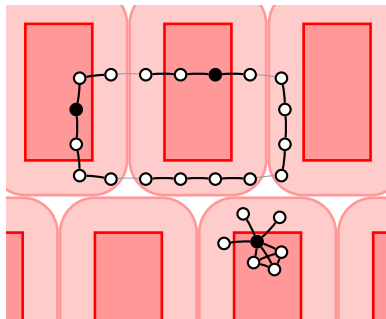
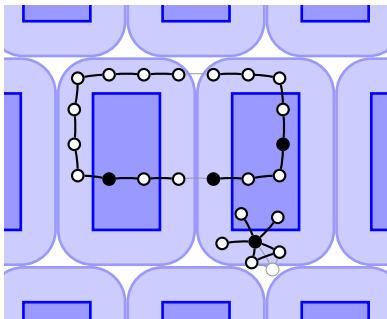
Repeat for each rectangle



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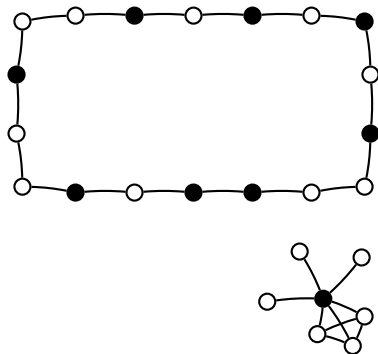
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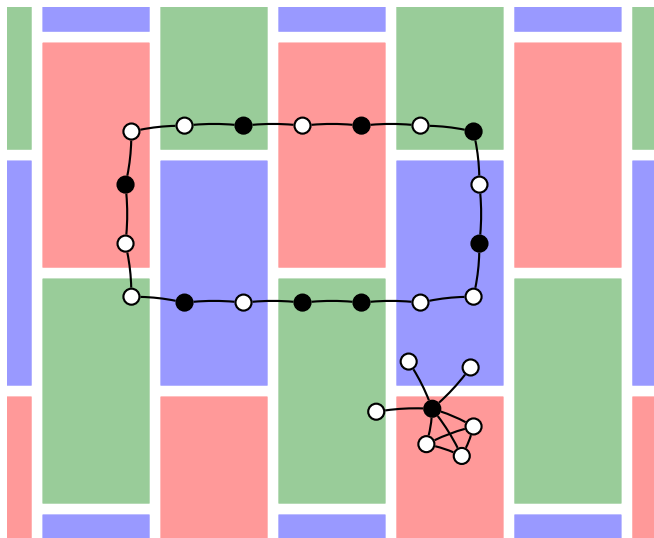
Dominating set: local algorithm

Union of local solutions



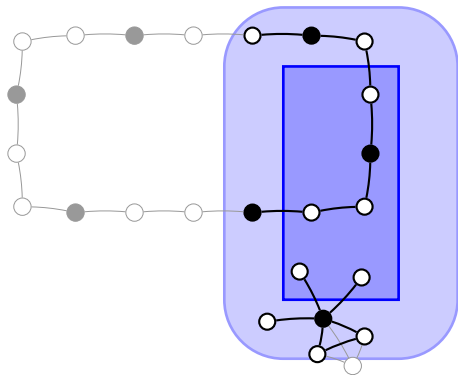
Dominating set: feasibility

Each node is dominated in at least one subproblem



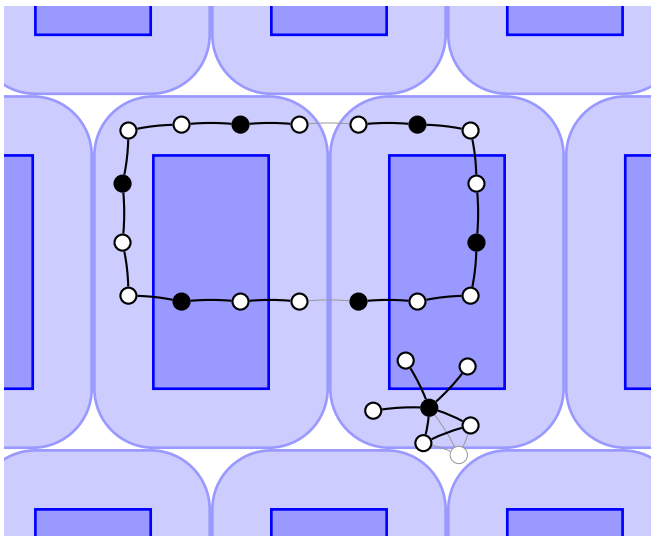
Dominating set: approximation ratio

OPT is a feasible solution to each subproblem



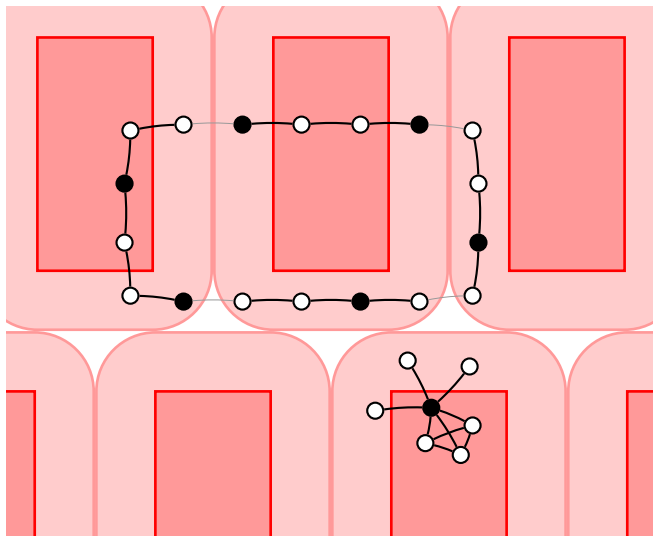
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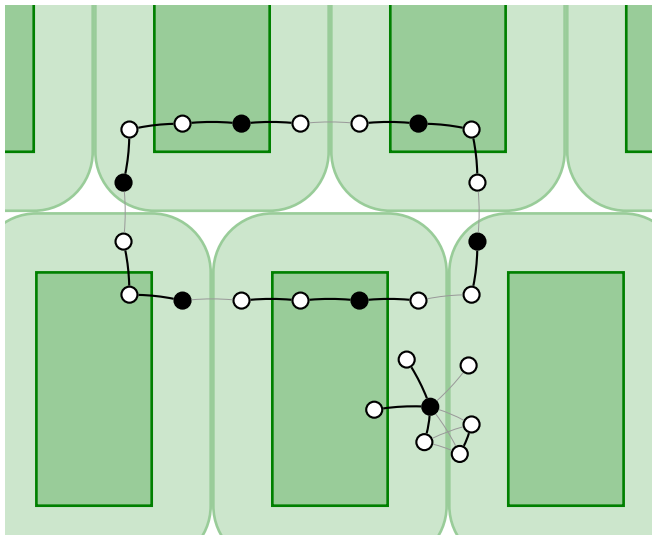
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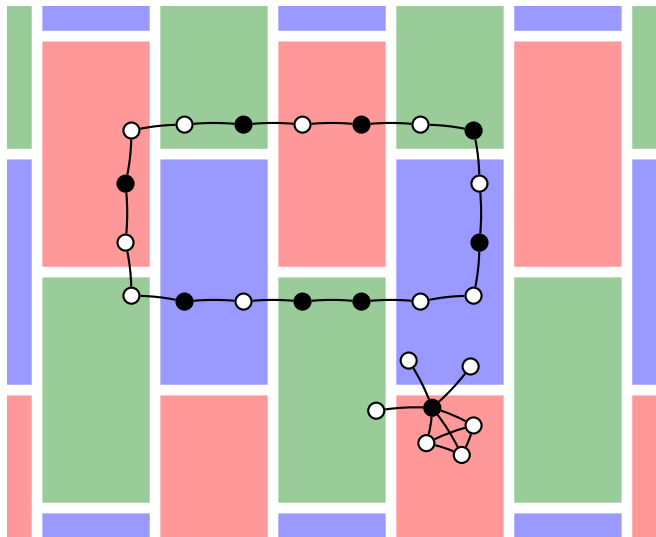
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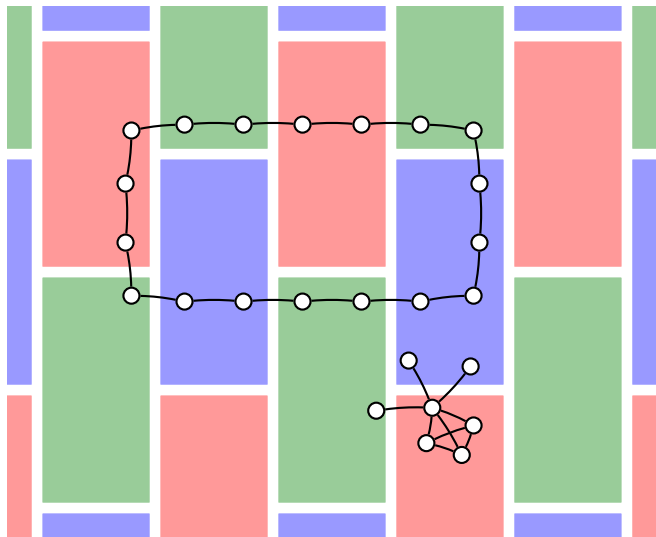
Dominating set: approximation ratio

Factor 3 approximation from 3-colouring



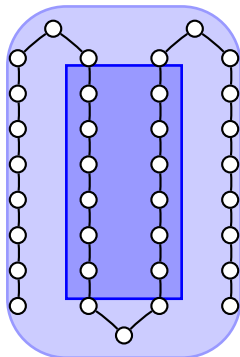
Vertex cover

The same basic approach applies here as well



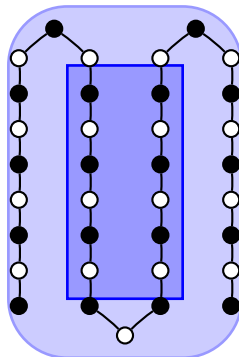
Local horizon: worst case

Consider a shortest path within an extended rectangle



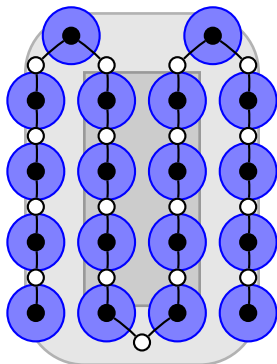
Local horizon: worst case

Pick even nodes — distance between any pair > 1



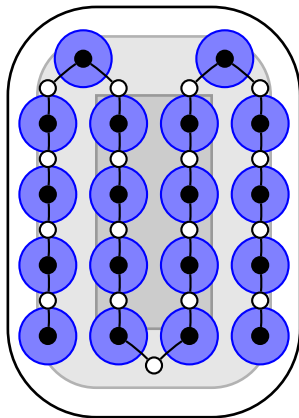
Local horizon: worst case

Place disks of radius $1/2$ on even nodes — non-intersecting

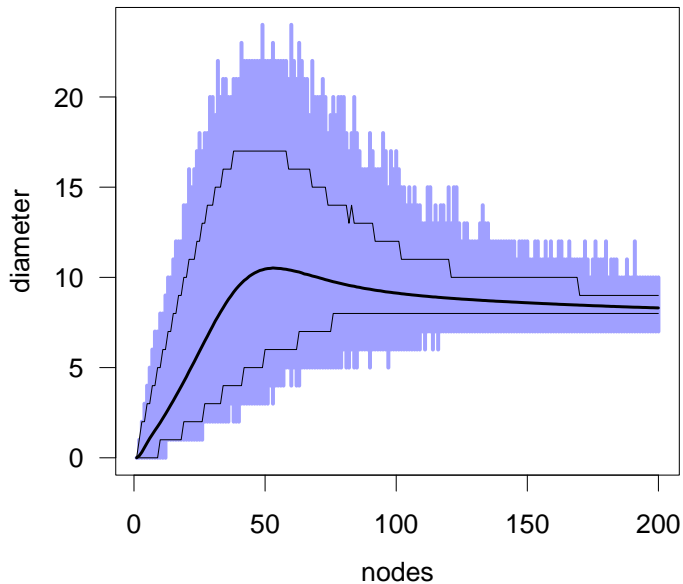


Local horizon: worst case

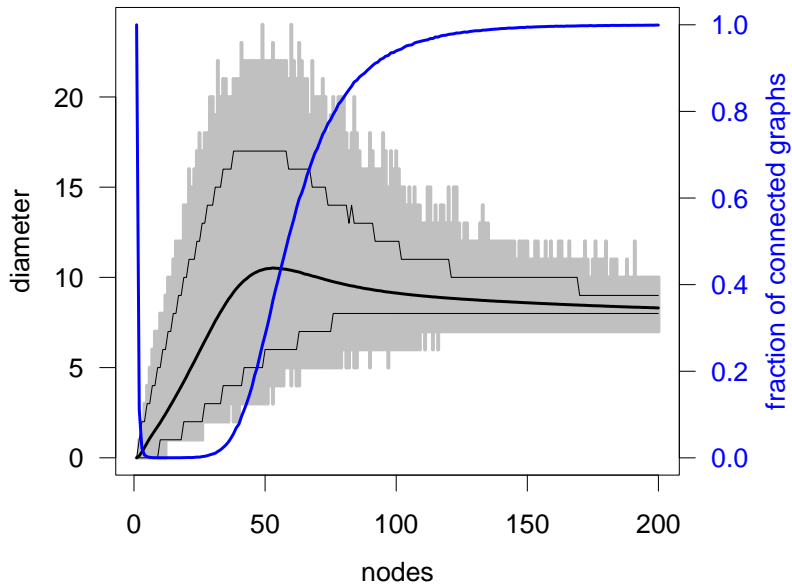
Area bound: at most 42 such disks \implies at most 83 edges



Local horizon: average case



Local horizon: average case



Conclusions

Local 3-approximation algorithm for dominating set and vertex cover

Assumptions: (quasi) unit-disk graphs, coordinates known

Unweighted case: local and poly-time

Weighted case: local — but not necessarily poly-time!

- ▶ Other complexity measures for local algorithms besides the local horizon?

Challenge: apply the same idea to other problems!

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