# Mixed minors, compact representations and $\chi$-boundedness 

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## PART 1

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- $G$ has a $d$-mixed free adjacency matrix $\Longrightarrow \operatorname{tww}(G) \leq 2^{2^{O(d)}}$.


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Number of mixed zones: linear instead of quadratic!

## PART 2

## COMPACT REPRESENTATIONS

Pilipczuk, Sokołowski, Zych-Pawlewicz,
Compact Representation for Matrices of Bounded Twin-Width

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Inspired by a work of Chudnovsky, Penev, Scott, Trotignon (Substitution and $\chi$-boundedness, JCTB, 2013).

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This resolves to $f_{d}(\omega)=2^{\beta_{d} \cdot \log ^{d} \omega}$.

## Thank you!

