Introduction to Twin-Width

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- TU-matrices, perfect graphs, minor closed classes, bounded expansion, pattern-free permutations ...

Complexity of input (static) vs computation (dynamic)

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Often boils down to "Strict vs Full" class (minor closed, pattern-free, bounded VC-dimension)

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(Nearly) everything in this talk based on MT



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G approximated by a sequence G/P with few errors

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Sparse G: bounded tww $\approx A_G$ has no large grid minor

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Can we construct *H*-free graphs? Erdős-Hajnal??