

# $L(p, 1)$ ラベリングのための固定パラメータアルゴリズム \*

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## Abstract

Given a graph, an  $L(p, 1)$ -labeling of the graph is an assignment  $f$  from the vertex set to the set of nonnegative integers such that for any pair of vertices  $(u, v)$ ,  $|f(u) - f(v)| \geq p$  if  $u$  and  $v$  are adjacent, and  $f(u) \neq f(v)$  if  $u$  and  $v$  are at distance 2. The  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING problem is to minimize the span of  $f$  (i.e.,  $\max_{u \in V} (f(u)) - \min_{u \in V} (f(u)) + 1$ ). It is known to be NP-hard even for graphs of maximum degree 3 or graphs with tree-width 2, whereas it is fixed-parameter tractable with respect to vertex cover number. Since vertex cover number is a kind of the strongest parameter, there is a large gap between tractability and intractability from the viewpoint of parameterization. To fill up the gap, in this paper, we propose new fixed-parameter algorithms for  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING by the twin cover number plus the maximum clique size and by the tree-width plus the maximum degree. These algorithms reduce the gap in terms of several combinations of parameters.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $G$  be an undirected graph, and  $p$  and  $q$  be constant positive integers. An  $L(p, q)$ -labeling of a graph  $G$  is an assignment  $f$  from the vertex set  $V(G)$  to the set of nonnegative integers such that  $|f(x) - f(y)| \geq p$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are adjacent and  $|f(x) - f(y)| \geq q$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are at distance 2, for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $V(G)$ . We call the former *distance-1 condition* and the latter *distance-2 condition*. A  $k$ - $L(p, q)$ -labeling is an  $L(p, q)$ -labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, \dots, k\}$ , where the labels start from 0 for conventional reasons. The  $k$ - $L(p, q)$ -LABELING problem determines whether given  $G$  has a  $k$ - $L(p, q)$ -labeling, or not, and the  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING problem asks the minimum  $k$  among all possible assignments. The minimum value  $k$  is called the  $L(p, q)$ -labeling number, and we denote it by  $\lambda_{p,q}(G)$ , or simply  $\lambda_{p,q}$ . Notice that we can use  $k + 1$  different labels when  $\lambda_{p,q}(G) = k$ .

The original notion of  $L(p, q)$ -labeling can be seen in the context of frequency assignment. Suppose that vertices in a graph represent wireless devices. The presence/absence of edges indicates the presence/absence of direct communication between the devices. If two de-

vices are very close, that is, they are connected in the graph, they need to use sufficiently different frequencies, that is, their frequencies should be apart at least  $p$ . If two devices are not very but still close, that is, they are at distance 2 in the graph, their frequencies should be apart at least  $q$  ( $\leq p$ ). Thus, the setting of  $q = 1$  as one unit and  $p \geq q = 1$  is considered natural and interesting, and the minimization of used range becomes the issue. Note that  $L(1, 1)$ -labeling on  $G$  is equivalent to the ordinary coloring on the square of  $G$ . From these,  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING for  $p > 1$  is intensively and extensively studied among several possible settings of  $p$ . In particular,  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is considered the most important. A reason is that it is natural and suitable as a basic step to consider, and another reason is that the computational complexity (e.g., hardness or polynomial-time solvability) tends to be inherited from  $L(2, 1)$  to  $L(p, 1)$  of  $p > 2$ ; for example, if  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is NP-hard in a setting, the hardness proof could be modified to  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING in the same setting. Designing a polynomial time algorithm is also. We can find various related results in surveys by Calamoneri [5]. See also [24] for algorithmic results.

The notion of  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING firstly appeared in [20] and [30]. Griggs and Yeh formally introduced the  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING problem [19]. They also show that  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is NP-hard in general. Furthermore,  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is shown to be NP-hard even for pla-

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nar graphs, bipartite graphs, chordal graphs [3], graphs with diameter of 2 [19] and graphs with tree-width 2 [12]. Moreover, for every  $k \geq 4$ ,  $k$ - $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING, that is the decision version of  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is NP-complete for general graphs [14] and even for planar graphs [8]. These results imply that  $k$ - $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is NP-complete for every  $\Delta \geq 3$ , where  $\Delta$  denotes the maximum degree. On the other hand,  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING can be solved in polynomial time for paths, cycles, wheels [19], but these are rather trivial. For non-trivial graph classes, only a few graph classes (e.g., co-graphs [6]) are known to be solvable in polynomial time. In particular, Griggs and Yeh conjectured that  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING on trees was NP-hard, which was later disproved (under  $P \neq NP$ ) by the existence of an  $O(n^{5.5})$ -time algorithm [6]. It is now known that  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING on trees can be solved in linear time [23].

From these results, we roughly understand the boundary between polynomial-time solvability and NP-hardness concerning graph classes, and studies are going to fixed-parameter (in)tractability. For a problem  $A$  with input size  $n$  and parameter  $t$ ,  $A$  is called *fixed-parameter tractable* with respect to  $t$  if there is an algorithm whose running time is  $g(t)n^{O(1)}$ , where  $g$  is a certain function. Such an algorithm is called a *fixed-parameter algorithm*. If problem  $A$  is NP-hard for a constant value of  $t$ , there is no fixed-parameter algorithm unless  $P=NP$ ; we say  $A$  is paraNP-hard. Unfortunately,  $L(2, 1)$ -LABELING is already shown to be paraNP-hard for several parameters such as  $\lambda_{2,1}$ , maximum degree and tree-width as seen above. For positive results, it is fixed-parameter tractable with respect to vertex cover number [13] or neighborhood diversity [11]. Note that vertex cover number is a stronger parameter than tree-width, which means that if the vertex cover number is bounded, the tree-width is also. There is still a gap on fixed-parameter (in)tractability between them. For such a situation, two approaches can be taken. One is to finely classify intermediate parameters and see fixed-parameter (in)tractability for them, and the other is to combine two or more parameters and see fixed-parameter (in)tractability under the combinations. In this paper, we take the latter approach.

### 1.1 Our contribution

In this paper, we present algorithms with combined parameters. The parameters that we focus on are clique-width ( $\text{cw}$ ), tree-width ( $\text{tw}$ ), maximum clique

size ( $\omega$ ), maximum degree ( $\Delta$ ) and twin cover number ( $\text{tc}$ ). These are selected in connection with aforementioned parameters,  $\lambda_{p,1}$ , maximum degree and tree-width. Maximum clique size and clique-width are well used parameters weaker than tree-width. Maximum degree itself is a considered parameter, which is strongly related to  $\lambda_{p,q}(G)$ . In fact, it is easy to see that  $\lambda_{p,1} \geq \Delta + p - 1$ , and  $\lambda_{p,1} \leq \Delta^2 + (p - 1)\Delta - 2$  [18]. Thus,  $\lambda_{p,1}$  and  $\Delta$  are parameters equivalent in terms of fixed-parameter (in)tractability. Twin cover number is picked up as a parameter that is moderately weaker than vertex cover number but stronger than clique-width and is also incomparable to neighborhood diversity.

These parameters are ordered in the following two ways: (1)  $(\text{vc} \succeq) \{\text{tw}, \text{tc}\} \succeq \text{cw}$  and (2)  $(\lambda_{p,1} \simeq) \Delta \succeq \omega$ . Here, for graph parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  $\alpha \succeq \beta$  represents that there is a positive function  $g$  such that  $g(\alpha(G)) \geq \beta(G)$  holds for any  $G$ , and we denote  $\alpha \simeq \beta$  if  $\alpha \succeq \beta$  and  $\beta \succeq \alpha$ . For combined parameters of one from (1) and another from (2), we design fixed-parameter algorithms. Note that some combination yields essentially one parameter. For example,  $\text{tw} + \omega$  is equivalent to  $\text{tw}$ , because  $\text{tw} \geq \omega - 1$  holds. The obtained results are listed below:

- $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable (FPT, for short) when parameterized by  $\text{cw} + \Delta$  for  $p \geq 1$ . The proof is based on the monadic second order logic ( $\text{MSO}_1$ ) and the Courcelle's theorem, which implies that the exponent part of the time complexity could be quite large.
- $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING can be solved in time  $\Delta^{O(\text{tw}\Delta)}n$  for  $p \geq 1$ . Note that the FPT result itself follows from the above FPT result with respect to  $\text{cw} + \Delta$ . We here give an explicit algorithm. This result also implies that  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is FPT when parameterized by band-width.
- $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is FPT when parameterized by  $\text{tc} + \omega$ . Since  $\text{tc} + \omega \leq \text{vc} + 1$  for any graph, it generalizes the fixed-parameter tractability with respect to vertex cover number in [13].
- $L(1, 1)$ -LABELING is FPT when parameterized by *only* twin cover number. This also yields a fixed-parameter  $p$ -approximation algorithm for  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING with respect to twin cover number.

Figure 1 illustrates the detailed relationship between graph parameters and the parameterized complexity of  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING.

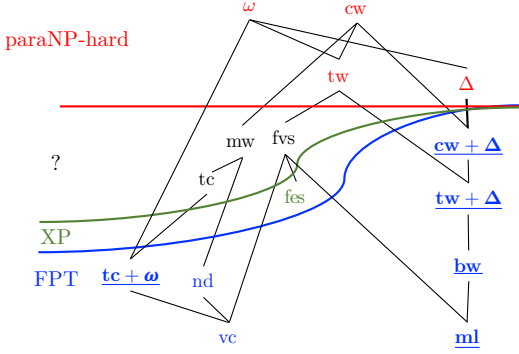


Figure 1. The relationship between graph parameters and the parameterized complexity of  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING. Let  $cw, \omega, \Delta, mw, nd, tc, tw, fvs, fes, bw, ml$ , and  $vc$  denote clique-width, maximum clique size, modular-width, neighborhood diversity, twin cover number, tree-width, feedback vertex set number, feedback edge set number, band-width, max leaf number, and vertex cover number, respectively. Connections between two parameters imply that the upper is bounded by a function of the lower. The underlines for parameters indicate that they are obtained in this paper.

## 1.2 Related work

As mentioned above,  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is NP-hard even on graphs of tree-width 2 [12]. Using stronger parameters than tree-width, Fiala et al. showed that  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by vertex cover [13] and neighborhood diversity [10]. Moreover, Fiala, Kloks and Kratochvíl showed that the problem is XP when parameterized by feedback edge set number [14]. For approximation, it is NP-hard to approximate  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING within a factor of  $n^{0.5-\varepsilon}$  for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , whereas it can be approximated within  $O(n(\log \log n)^2 / \log^3 n)$  [21]. For  $L(1, 1)$ -LABELING, it can be solved in time  $O(\Delta^{2^{8(tw+1)+1}} n + n^3)$ , and hence it is XP by tree-width [32]. This result is tight in the sense of fixed-parameter (in)tractability, because it is W[1]-hard with respect to tree-width [13]. Moreover, it can be solved in time  $O(cw^{32} 2^{6cw} n^{2^{4cw+2^{2cw}+1}})$  [31].

Apart from  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING, twin cover number is a relatively new graph parameter, which is introduced in [15] as a stronger parameter than vertex cover number. In the same paper, many problems are shown to be FPT when parameterized by twin cover number, and it is getting to be a standard parameter (e.g., [1, 9, 16, 25, 26]). Recently, for IMBALANCE, which is one of graph layout problems, a parameterized algorithm is presented [28]. It is interesting that they also adopt twin cover number plus maximum clique size as the parameters.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this paper, we use the standard graph notations. Suppose that  $G = (V, E)$  is a simple and connected graph with the vertex set  $V$  and the edge set  $E$ . We sometimes use  $V(G)$  or  $E(G)$  instead of  $V$  or  $E$  respectively, to specify graph  $G$ . For  $G = (V, E)$ , we denote the numbers of vertices and edges by  $n = |V|$  and  $m = |E|$ , respectively. For  $V' \subseteq V$ , we denote by  $G[V']$  the subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $V'$ . For two vertices  $u$  and  $v$ , the *distance*  $\text{dist}_G(u, v)$  is defined by the length of a shortest path between  $u$  and  $v$  where the length of a path is the number of edges of it. We denote the closed neighbourhood and the open neighbourhood of a vertex  $v$  by  $N_G[v]$  and  $N_G(v)$ , respectively. For a set  $S \subseteq V$ , let  $N_G(S) = \bigcup_{v \in S} N_G(v)$  and  $N_G[S] = \bigcup_{v \in S} N_G[v]$ . The degree of  $v$  is denoted by  $d_G(v) = |N_G(v)|$ . The maximum degree of  $G$  is denoted by  $\Delta(G)$ . For simplicity, we sometimes omit the subscript  $G$ .

The  $k$ -th power  $G^k = (V, E^k)$  of a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a graph such that the set of vertices is  $V$  and there is an edge  $(u, v)$  in  $E^k$  if and only if there is a path of length at most  $k$  between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$  [4]. In particular,  $G^2$  is called the *square* of  $G$ .

In the following, we introduce several graph parameters.

**Definition 1** (Tree Decomposition). A tree decomposition of a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is defined as a pair  $\langle \mathcal{X}, T \rangle$ , where  $T$  is a tree with node set  $I(T)$  and  $\mathcal{X} = \{X_i \mid i \in I(T)\}$  is a collection of subsets, called bags, of  $V$  such that:

1. (vertex condition)  $\bigcup_{i \in I(T)} X_i = V$ ;
2. (edge condition) For every  $\{u, v\} \in E$ , there exists an  $i \in I(T)$  such that  $\{u, v\} \subseteq X_i$ ;
3. (coherence property) For every  $u \in V$ ,  $I_u = \{i \in I(T) \mid u \in X_i\}$  induces a connected subtree of  $T$ .

The width of a tree decomposition is defined as  $\max_{i \in I} |X_i| - 1$  and the tree-width of  $G$ , denoted by  $\text{tw}(G)$ , is defined as the minimum width among all possible tree decompositions of  $G$ .

Two vertices  $u, v$  are called *twins* if both  $u$  and  $v$  have the same neighbors. Moreover, if twins  $u, v$  have edge  $\{u, v\}$ , they are called *true twins* and the edge is called a *twin edge*. Then a *twin cover* of  $G$  is defined as follows.

**Definition 2** (Twin Cover, [15]). A set of vertices  $X$  is a twin cover of  $G$  if every edge  $\{u, v\} \in E$  satisfies either (1)  $u \in X$  or  $v \in X$ , or (2)  $u, v$  are true twins. The twin cover number of  $G$ , denoted by  $\text{tc}(G)$ ,

is defined as the minimum size of twin covers in  $G$ .

An important observation is that the complement  $V \setminus X$  of a twin cover  $X$  induces disjoint cliques. Moreover, for each clique  $Z$  of  $G[V \setminus X]$ ,  $N(u) \cap X = N(v) \cap X$  for every  $u, v \in Z$  [15].

A *vertex cover*  $X$  is the set of vertices such that for every edge, at least one endpoint is in  $X$ . The *vertex cover number* of  $G$ , denoted by  $\text{vc}(G)$ , is defined as the minimum size of vertex covers in  $G$ . Since every vertex cover of  $G$  is also a twin cover of  $G$ ,  $\text{tc}(G) \leq \text{vc}(G)$  holds. Also, for any graph  $G$ , we have  $\text{tc}(G) + \omega(G) \leq \text{vc}(G) + 1$ .

### 3 Parameterization by $\text{cw} + \Delta$

As  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is paraNP-hard for tree-width, so is for clique-width. In this section, as a complement, we show that  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING (actually,  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING for any constant  $p$  and  $q$ ) is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by  $\text{cw} + \Delta$ .

To show this, we give a one-sorted monadic-second order logic ( $\text{MSO}_1$ ) representation of  $k$ - $L(p, q)$ -LABELING. We first define the following formula  $\text{dist}_{=2}(u, w)$ , which is true if the distance between  $u$  and  $w$  is exactly 2:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dist}_{=2}(u, w) := & (u \neq w) \wedge \neg \text{adj}(u, w) \\ & \wedge (\exists v \in V : (u \neq v) \\ & \wedge (v \neq w) \wedge (\text{adj}(u, v) \wedge \text{adj}(v, w))). \end{aligned}$$

Then the formula  $\varphi_k$  such that  $G \models \phi_k$  if and only if  $(G, k)$  is a yes instance of  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_k := & \exists V_0, \dots, V_k : \left( \forall v : \bigvee_{0 \leq i \leq k} (v \in V_i \wedge \bigwedge_{0 \leq j \neq i \leq k} v \notin V_j) \right) \\ & \wedge (\forall u, v : \text{adj}(u, v) \Rightarrow \bigvee_{0 \leq i \leq k} (u \in V_i \wedge \bigwedge_{i-p+1 \leq j \leq i+p-1} v \notin V_j)) \\ & \wedge \left( \forall u, v : (\text{dist}_{=2}(u, v)) \Rightarrow \bigvee_{0 \leq i \leq k} (u \in V_i \wedge \bigwedge_{i-q+1 \leq j \leq i+q-1} v \notin V_j) \right). \end{aligned}$$

For a graph  $G$  of clique-width at most  $\text{cw}$  and for an  $\text{MSO}_1$  formula  $\psi$ , it can be checked whether  $G \models \psi$  in time  $O(g(|\psi|, \text{cw}) \cdot n^3)$ , where  $g$  is some computable function [7, 29]. Because the length of  $\text{MSO}_1$  formula  $\varphi_k$  depends on  $k, p$ , and  $q$ ,  $k$ - $L(p, q)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by  $k + \text{cw}$ . Thus, we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *For any fixed  $p, q$ ,  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by  $\lambda_{p,q} + \text{cw}$ .*

As for the labeling number, since the degree of  $G^2$  is  $\Delta^2$ ,  $\lambda_{1,1}(G) \leq \Delta(G)^2$  holds. This and  $\lambda_{cp,cq} = c\lambda_{p,q}$  ([17]) imply that  $\lambda_{p,q} \leq \max\{p, q\}\Delta^2$  holds. For  $q = 1$ ,

a better bound  $\lambda_{p,1} \leq \Delta^2 + (p-1)\Delta - 2$  is known [18]. Thus we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 1.** *For any positive constant  $p$  and  $q$ ,  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by  $\Delta + \text{cw}$ .*

### 4 Parameterization by $\text{tw} + \Delta$

In previous section, we show that  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by  $\text{cw} + \Delta$ . However, it is shown by using the  $\text{MSO}_1$  representation and the Courcelle's theorem. Thus, the exponent part of the running time of the algorithm might be quite large. In this section, we give an explicit fixed-parameter algorithm for  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING parameterized by  $\text{tw} + \Delta$ . The running time is  $\Delta^{O(\text{tw}\Delta)}n$ .

In the algorithm, we first construct the square  $G^2$  of  $G$  and then compute  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING of  $G$  by dynamic programming on a nice tree decomposition  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T' \rangle$  of  $G^2$ . Actually, the algorithm runs for  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING though the running time depends on  $\lambda$ . One can obtain the square of  $G^2$  in time  $O(m\Delta(G)) = O(\Delta(G)^2n)$ . We then prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.** *Given a tree decomposition of a graph  $G$  of width  $t$  with  $\ell$  bags, one can construct a tree decomposition of  $G^2$  of width at most  $(t+1)\Delta(G) + t$  with  $\ell$  bags in time  $O(t\Delta(G)\ell)$ .*

**Proof.** We are given a tree decomposition  $\langle \mathcal{X}, T \rangle$  of  $G$  of width  $t$ . Let  $X'_i = X_i \cup N(X_i)$  and  $\mathcal{X}' = \{X'_i \mid i \in I(T)\}$  be the set of bags. We here define  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T' \rangle$  as a tree decomposition of  $G^2$ , where  $T'$  and  $T$  are identical;  $T$  and  $T'$  has the same node set and the same structure, where each  $i \in I(T')$  corresponds to  $i \in I(T)$ . In the following, we denote  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T \rangle$  instead of  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T' \rangle$ .

We can see that  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T \rangle$  is really a tree decomposition of  $G^2$  with width  $(t+1)\Delta(G) + t$ . It satisfies the properties of tree decomposition indeed: Since  $\bigcup_{i \in I} X'_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} (X_i \cup N(X_i)) = V(G) = V(G^2)$ , the vertex condition is satisfied. We next see edge condition. For each  $e \in E$ , there is  $X_i$  containing  $e$ , so  $e \in X'_i$ . For each  $\{u, v\} \in E^2 \setminus E$ , there is a vertex  $v' (\neq u, v)$  such that  $\{u, v'\} \in E$  and  $\{v', v\} \in E$ . Thus there is  $X_i$  satisfying  $\{u, v'\} \subseteq X_i$ , which implies  $\{u, v\} \subseteq X_i \cup \{v\} \subseteq X_i \cup N(\{v'\}) \subseteq X'_i$ . These show that the edge condition is satisfied.

Finally, we check coherent property: we show that for every  $u \in V$ ,  $I'_u = \{i \in I(T) \mid u \in X'_i\}$  induces a

connected subtree of  $T$ . Note that

$$I'_u = \{i \in I(T) \mid u \in X'_i\} = \{i \in I(T) \mid u \in X_i\} \\ \cup \bigcup_{v \in N(u)} \{i \in I(T) \mid v \in X_i\}.$$

Here, the subgraph  $T_v$  of  $T$  induced by  $\{i \in I(T) \mid u \in X_i\}$  is connected by the coherent property of  $\langle \mathcal{X}, T \rangle$ . Also for each  $v \in N(u)$ , the subgraph  $T_v$  of  $T$  induced by  $\{i \in I(T) \mid v \in X_i\}$  is connected. By  $\{u, v\} \in E$ , the edge condition of  $\langle \mathcal{X}, T \rangle$  implies that there exists a bag  $X_j$  containing both  $u$  and  $v$ . Since  $T_u$  and  $T_v$  has a common node  $j$ , the subgraph of  $T$  induced by  $\{i \in I(T) \mid u \in X_i\} \cup \{i \in I(T) \mid v \in X_i\}$  is also connected, which leads that the subgraph of  $T$  induced by  $I'_u$  is also connected.

Hence,  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T \rangle$  is a tree decomposition of  $G^2$ . Since the size of bag  $X'_i$  is  $|X'_i| = |X_i \cup N(X_i)| = |\bigcup_{u \in X_i} N[u]| \leq (t+1)(\Delta(G)+1)$ , the width is at most  $(t+1)(\Delta(G)+1) - 1 = (t+1)\Delta(G) + t$ . The construction of  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T \rangle$  is done by preparing each  $X'_i$ , which takes  $O(t\Delta(G))$  steps for each  $i$ . Thus it can be done in time  $O(t\Delta(G)\ell)$  in total.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.**  $\text{tw}(G^2) \leq (\text{tw}(G) + 1)\Delta(G) + \text{tw}(G)$  holds.

By the above lemma, the tree-width of  $G^2$  is bounded if  $\text{tw}(G)$  and  $\Delta(G)$  are bounded. Thus we can design a dynamic programming algorithm on a nice tree decomposition of  $G^2$ , although we omit the detail.

**Lemma 2.** *Given a nice tree decomposition of  $G^2$  of width at most  $t$ , one can compute  $k$ - $L(p, q)$ -LABELING on  $G$  in time  $O((k+1)^{t+1}t^2n)$ .*

Here, one can construct a tree decomposition  $\langle \mathcal{X}, T \rangle$  of  $G$  of width  $5\text{tw}(G) + 4$  with  $O(n)$  bags in time  $2^{O(\text{tw}(G))}n$  [2]. By Lemma 1, we can obtain a tree decomposition  $\langle \mathcal{X}', T \rangle$  of  $G^2$  of width  $(5\text{tw}(G) + 4 + 1)\Delta(G) + 5\text{tw}(G) + 4 = O(\text{tw}(G)\Delta(G))$  from  $\langle \mathcal{X}, T \rangle$  in time  $O(\text{tw}(G)\Delta(G)n)$ . By Lemma 2 and  $\lambda_{p,q} \leq \max\{p, q\}\Delta^2$ , we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** *For any positive constant  $p$  and  $q$ ,  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING can be solved in time  $\Delta^{O(\text{tw}\Delta)}n$ .*

Since  $\text{tw}(G) \leq \text{bw}(G)$  and  $\Delta(G) \leq 2\text{bw}(G)$ , we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.** *For any positive constant  $p$  and  $q$ ,  $L(p, q)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by band-width.*

## 5 Parameterization by twin cover number

### 5.1 $L(p, 1)$ -Labeling parameterized by $\text{tc} + \omega$

We design a fixed-parameter algorithm for  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING with respect to  $\text{tc} + \omega$ . Notice that for a twin cover  $X$  of  $G = (V, E)$ , each of the connected components of  $G[V \setminus X]$  forms a clique. We categorize vertices in  $V \setminus X$  with respect to the neighbors in  $X$ . Let  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_s$  be the sets of vertices having common neighbors in  $X$ , called *types* of vertices in  $V \setminus X$ , where  $s$  is the number of types. Moreover, we say that a clique  $C \subseteq V \setminus X$  is of type  $T_i$  if  $C \subseteq T_i$ . Note that  $V \setminus X = \bigcup_{i=1}^s T_i$ . Let  $n_i = |T_i|$  and  $\omega_i$  be the maximum clique size in  $T_i$ .

We first see a general property about cliques with a common neighbor: Suppose that a graph  $G$  consists of only cliques and common neighbors  $Y$  of all the vertices in the cliques. That is, all the vertices are within distance 2. Also suppose that vertices in  $Y$  has some labels  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{|Y|}$  and  $L$  is a set of labels that are at least  $p$  apart from  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{|Y|}$ . Then the following lemma holds.

**Lemma 3.** *Suppose that a graph  $G$  and a label set  $L$  are defined as above, and let  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_h$  be the set of the cliques, in the descending order of the size. If  $|L| \geq \sum_j |C_j|$  and  $\sum_j |C_j| \geq p|C_1|$  hold, there exists an  $L(p, 1)$ -labeling of  $C_1, \dots, C_h$  using only labels in  $L$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $n' = \sum_j |C_j|$  and  $\omega = |C_1|$ . The statement of the lemma is rewritten as “if  $|L| \geq n'$  and  $n' \geq p\omega$ , all the cliques can be properly labeled with  $L$ ”. Let us assume  $L = \{l_1, l_2, \dots, l_{n'}\}$ . Since we can use distinct labels for vertices in  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_h$ , only the distance-1 condition inside of a same clique matters. If  $n' \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , we label the vertices in  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_{n'}$  in this order by using labels in order of  $l_1, l_{p+1}, l_{2p+1}, \dots, l_{n'}, l_2, l_{p+2}, l_{2p+2}, \dots, l_{n'-p+2}, l_3, \dots, l_p, l_{2p}, \dots, l_{n'-1}$ . Note that the vertices in  $C_1$  are labeled by  $l_1, l_{p+1}, \dots, l_{p(\omega-1)+1}$  (note that  $p\omega \leq n'$ ). Since the difference between  $l_{\alpha p+i}$  and  $l_{(\alpha+1)p+i}$  for each  $i$  and  $\alpha$  is at least  $p$ , the labeling for cliques does not violate the distance-1 condition. We can choose similar orderings for the other residuals.  $\square$

Now we go back to the algorithm parameterized by  $\text{tc} + \omega$ . Given a twin cover  $X$ , we say that a  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -labeling is *good* for  $X$  if it uses only labels in  $\{0, 1, \dots, (2p-1)|X| - p\} \cup \{k - (2p-1)|X| + p, \dots, k\}$

for  $X$ . The following lemma is also important. It can be shown by repeatedly applying Lemma 3 though we omit the detail.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $X$  be a twin cover in  $G$  such that each  $T_i$  satisfies  $\omega_i \leq n_i/p$ . If  $G$  has a  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -labeling, then  $G$  also has a good  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -labeling for  $X$ .*

Thus, we consider to find a good  $L(p, 1)$ -labeling. Using the lemma, we show that  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable with respect to  $\mathbf{tc} + \omega$ .

**Theorem 3.**  *$L(p, 1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by  $\mathbf{tc} + \omega$ .*

**Proof.** We present an algorithm to solve  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING instead of  $L(p, 1)$ -LABELING. We first compute a minimum twin cover  $X$  in time  $O(1.2738^{\mathbf{tc}} + \mathbf{tc}n + m)$  [15]. For twin cover  $X$ , we define  $T_i$ 's. Then, we define another twin cover of  $X' = X \cup \bigcup_{i:\omega_i > n_i/p} T_i$ . Since  $X$  is a twin cover,  $X'$  is also. The size of  $X'$  is at most  $\mathbf{tc} + 2^{\mathbf{tc}} \cdot p \cdot \omega$ , because the number of types is at most  $2^{\mathbf{tc}}$  and the size of  $T_i$  joining  $X$  is at most  $p \cdot \omega$ . Let  $\mathbf{tc}' = |X'|$ .

We are now ready to present the core of the algorithm. We classify an instance into two cases. If  $k$  is small enough, we can apply a brute-force type algorithm. Otherwise, we try to find a good  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -labeling.

(**Case:**  $k < 8ptc'$ ) For each type  $T_i$ , the distance between two vertices in  $T_i$  is at most 2. Thus, the labels of vertices in  $T_i$  must be different each other. Due to  $k < 8ptc'$ , if  $|T_i| \geq 8ptc'$ , we conclude that the input is a no-instance. Otherwise,  $n = |X'| + \sum |T_i| \leq \mathbf{tc}' + 8ptc'2^{\mathbf{tc}}$  holds, because the number of  $T_i$ 's is at most  $2^{\mathbf{tc}}$ . Thus we check all the possible labelings in time  $O((8ptc')^{8ptc'2^{\mathbf{tc}}})$ .

(**Case:**  $k \geq 8ptc'$ ) Let  $\mathcal{C}_0, \mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_t$  be the family of all possible set systems on  $\{T_1, \dots, T_s\}$  such that whenever two distinct  $T_j$  and  $T_{j'}$  are in  $\mathcal{C}_i$  then  $N(T_j) \cap N(T_{j'}) = \emptyset$ . Here,  $\mathcal{C}_0$  is the empty set. These are introduced to describe a set of  $T_j$ 's that can use a same label. For each  $\mathcal{C}_i$ , we prepare a set  $L_i$  of labels, which will be used during the execution of the algorithm to represent the set of labels that could be used for vertices in  $T_j \in \mathcal{C}_i$ . Note that  $L_0, L_1, \dots, L_t$  must be disjoint each other, and a label in  $L_i$  is used exactly once per  $T_j$ . We also define  $L_0$  as the set of labels not used in  $V \setminus X'$ . Each  $L_i$  can be empty.

By Lemma 4, there is a good  $k$ - $L(2, 1)$ -labeling for  $X$  such that vertices in  $X$  only use labels in

$\{0, 1, \dots, 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) - p\} \cup \{k - 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) + p, \dots, k\}$  if the input is an yes-instance. Thus we try all the possible partial labelings for  $X$ , each of which uses only labels in  $\{0, 1, \dots, 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) - p\} \cup \{k - 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) + p, \dots, k\}$ . Since the number of labels is  $2(2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) - p + 1) \leq 4ptc'$ , there are at most  $(4ptc')^{\mathbf{tc}'}$  possible labelings of  $X$ . For each of them we further try all the possible placement of labels in  $\{0, 1, \dots, 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) - 1\} \cup \{k - 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) + 1, \dots, k\}$  into  $L_0, L_1, \dots, L_t$ , which is a little wider than above. The number of possible placements is at most  $t^{4ptc'}$  due to the disjointness of  $L_i$ 's. Therefore, the total possible nonisomorphic partial labelings is at most  $(4ptc')^{\mathbf{tc}} \cdot t^{4ptc'}$ . Note that no vertex will be labeled by a label in  $\{0, 1, \dots, 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) - 1\} \cup \{k - 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) + 1, \dots, k\}$  hereafter. Thus we consider how we use labels in  $\{2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1), \dots, k - 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1), \dots, k\}$  for  $V \setminus X$ , which does not yield any conflict with  $X$ .

We then formulate as Integer Linear Programming how many labels should be placed in  $L_0, L_1, \dots, L_t$  for one partial labeling using  $\{0, 1, \dots, 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) - p\} \cup \{k - 2p(\mathbf{tc}' - 1) + p, \dots, k\}$ . For a fixed partial labeling, let  $a_i$  be the number of labels that have been already assigned to  $L_i$  there, and  $x_i$  be a variable representing the number of labels used in  $L_i$  in the desired labeling.

The following is the ILP formulation.

$$\begin{cases} x_0 + \dots + x_t \leq k + 1 \\ x_i \geq a_i, & \text{for } i \in \{0, \dots, t\} \\ \sum_{i:T_j \in \mathcal{C}_i} x_i = |T_j|, & \text{for } j \in \{1, \dots, s\} \end{cases}$$

The first constraint shows that the total number of labels is at most  $k + 1$ . Note that the number of unused labels is  $x_0$ . The second one is for consistency to the partial labeling. The last one, which is the most important, guarantees that every vertex in  $T_j$  can receive a label; the number of usable labels is  $|\{i \mid T_j \in \mathcal{C}_i\}|$ , because a label in  $L_i$  is used exactly once per  $T_j$ .

If the above ILP has a feasible solution, it is possible to assign labels to all the vertices in  $V \setminus X$  if we ignore the distance-1 condition inside of each clique. Actually, we can see that the information is sufficient to give a proper  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -labeling. At the beginning of the algorithm, we take twin cover  $X'$ , which means that for every  $T_i \subseteq V \setminus X$ ,  $n_i \geq p\omega_i$  holds. Since cliques in  $G[T_i]$  have common neighbors and  $n_i \geq p\omega_i$ , only the number of available labels matters by Lemma 3. Since the existence of an ILP solution guarantees this, we can decide whether a partial labeling can be extended to a proper  $k$ - $L(p, 1)$ -Labeling, or not.

Because  $s \leq 2^{tc}$  and  $t \leq 2^{2^{tc}}$ , the number of variables of the ILP is at most  $2^{2^{tc}}$ ; it can be solved in FPT time with respect to  $tc$  [27]. Since  $tc' \leq tc + 2^{tc} \cdot p \cdot \omega$ , the total running time is FPT time with respect to  $tc + \omega$ .  $\square$

## 5.2 $L(1,1)$ -Labeling parameterized by twin cover number

Unlike  $L(p,1)$ -labeling with  $p \geq 2$ , the distance-1 condition of  $L(1,1)$ -labeling requires just that the labels between adjacent vertices are different. Thus,  $L(1,1)$ -LABELING seems to be easier than  $L(p,1)$ -LABELING with  $p \geq 2$ . Actually, we can show that  $L(1,1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable parameterized only by twin cover number.

**Lemma 5.** *For a graph  $G$ , let  $u$  and  $v$  be twins with edge  $\{u, v\}$ . For  $G' = (V, E')$  with  $E' = E \setminus \{\{u, v\}\}$ , any  $L(1,1)$ -labeling on  $G'$  is also an  $L(1,1)$ -labeling on  $G$  and vice versa.*

**Corollary 4.** *For  $G'$  defined as above,  $\lambda_{1,1}(G') = \lambda_{1,1}(G)$  holds.*

Let  $X$  be a twin cover again, and then each connected component in  $G[V \setminus X]$  forms a clique, each of the edges in which are twin edges. Lemma 4 implies that graph  $G'$  obtained by removing all the edges in  $G[V \setminus X]$  has the same  $L(1,1)$ -labeling number of  $G$ . The above deletion shows that  $X$  is also a vertex cover of  $G'$ . Since  $L(1,1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by vertex cover number [13], we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.**  *$L(1,1)$ -LABELING is fixed-parameter tractable when parameterized by twin cover number.*

Since  $\lambda_{1,1}(G) \leq \lambda_{p,1}(G) \leq \lambda_{p,p}(G) = p\lambda_{1,1}(G)$  holds, an  $L(1,1)$ -labeling gives an approximation for  $L(p,1)$ -LABELING. In fact, by replacing the labels of an optimal  $L(1,1)$ -labeling of  $G$  with multiples of  $p$ , we obtain an  $L(p,1)$ -labeling whose approximation factor is at most  $p$ .

**Corollary 5.** *For  $L(p,1)$ -LABELING, there is a fixed-parameter  $p$ -approximation algorithm with respect to twin cover number.*

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