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Parameterized Complexity of Simultaneous Planarity

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[Gassner et al. '06]

[Schaefer '13]





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Proof: • combination bounds size of *G* (except for isolated vertices)

- brute-force all embeddings of G
- SEFE solvable in O(n²) if every conn. [Bläsius et al. '13] component of G has fixed embedding



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