## Introdução sobre complexidade parametrizada

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Message In many applications, not only the total size of the instance matters, but also the value of an additional parameter.

## The area of parameterized complexity

Idea Measure the complexity of an algorithm in terms of the input size and an additional integer parameter.

This theory started in the late 80's, by Downey and Fellows:


Today, it is a well-established area with hundreds of articles published every year in the most prestigious TCS journals and conferences.

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These three problems are NP-hard, but are they equally hard?

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Working hypothesis of parameterized complexity: k-CLIQUE is not FPT (in classical complexity: 3-SAT cannot be solved in poly-time)

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## Theorem (Bodlaender, Downey, Fellows, Hermelin. 2009)

Deciding whether a graph has a PATH with $\geq k$ vertices is FPT but does not admit a polynomial kernel, unless NP $\subseteq$ coNP/poly.

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Construction suggests the notion of tree decomposition: small separators.

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