

# What to do with the missing Moore graph?

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## The problem

Does there exist

1. a regular 57-valent graph of order 3250 and diameter 2?
2. a strongly regular graph with parameters  $(3250, 57, 0, 1)$ ?
3. a regular 57-valent graph of order 3250 and girth 5?
4. a regular 57-valent graph of girth 5 and diameter 2?

(Hoffman & Singleton 1960)

## Progress in 50+ years?

- Exoo & Jajcay: Dynamic Cage Survey.

116 references, 3.5 of them about the problem.

- Miller & Širáň: Moore Graphs and Beyond: A survey of the Degree/Diameter Problem.

356 references, 2.5 of them about the problem.

## No papers – why is it bad?

- No grants.
- No promotions.
- No tenure.

## **No papers – why is it really bad?**

- No propagation of ideas.
- Necessity to begin from scratch.
- No combination of ideas.

## **Alternatives**

- Internet: blogs, web pages, forums.
- Students.
- Papers.

## What to look for?

- more information,
- additions assumptions,
- relations to other object,
- estimates on necessary resources,
- . . . .

## More information

- Group actions
- Equitable partitions
- Other



## Additional assumptions

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independent set of size 400		●	
number of Petersen subgraph			●
11 HoSi graphs sharing a pentagon	●		
(induced) 15 disjoint HoSi graphs	●	●	●

## Related objects

- Rank 3 groups of degree 3250 and subdegree 57.
- Two distance sets in  $\mathbb{R}^f$ .
- Other cages.
- System of 400 packings of  $PG(3, 7)$  .
- Geometric objects in characteristics 2, 3, 5, 11, 13, 19?
- Something else?

## Resources

- Search space.
- CPU years.
- Comparison to other problems (factorization, Ramsey numbers, Fermat primes, etc.).
- Quantum computing?

Thank You