

# 2-Closure of $\frac{3}{2}$ -transitive permutation groups in polynomial time

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### Liebeck-Praeger-Saxl, 2015

The classification of  $\frac{3}{2}$ -transitive permutation groups and  $\frac{1}{2}$ -transitive linear groups.

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2-Closure problem

Given a permutation group  $G$ , find a set of generators of  $G^{(2)}$ .

2-Closure problem can be reduced to the Graph Isomorphism Problem

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