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## Towards a classification of 1-homogeneous graphs with positive intersection number $a_1$

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Let  $\Gamma$  be a graph with diameter at least two. Then  $\Gamma$  is said to be 1-homogeneous (in the sense of Nomura) whenever for every pair of adjacent vertices x and y in  $\Gamma$ , the distance partition of the vertex set of  $\Gamma$  with respect to both x and y is equitable, and the parameters corresponding to equitable partitions are independent of the choice of x and y. Assume  $\Gamma$  is 1-homogeneous distance-regular with intersection number  $a_1>0$  and diameter D

geqslant5. Define  $b = b_1/(\theta_1 + 1)$ , where  $b_1$  is the intersection number and  $\theta_1$  is the second largest eigenvalue of  $\Gamma$ . In this talk, we show that if intersection number  $c_2$  geqslant2, then b

geqslant1 and one of the following (i)–(vi) holds: (i)  $\Gamma$  is a regular near 2D-gon, (ii)  $\Gamma$  is a Johnson graph J(2D,D), (iii)  $\Gamma$  is a halved  $\ell$ -cube where  $\ell \in \{2D,2D+1\}$ , (iv)  $\Gamma$  is a folded Johnson graph  $\bar{J}(4D,2D)$ , (v)  $\Gamma$  is a folded halved (4D)-cube, (vi) the valency of  $\Gamma$  is bounded by a function of b. Moreover, we characterize 1-homogeneous graphs with classical parameters and  $a_1>0$ , as well as tight distance-regular graphs. This is a joint work with J. Koolen, M. Abdullah, B. Gebremichel.

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