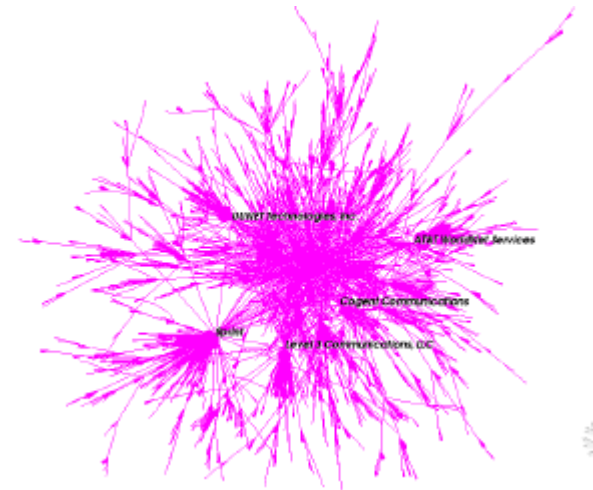
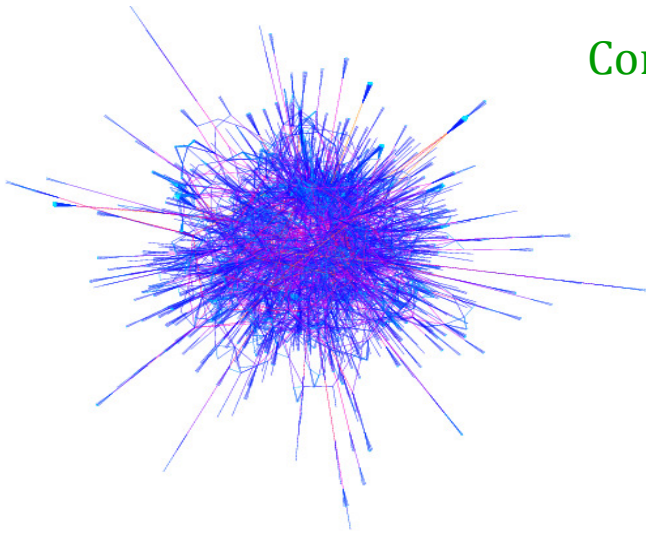


Tree-like Structures in Graphs: a Metric Point of View

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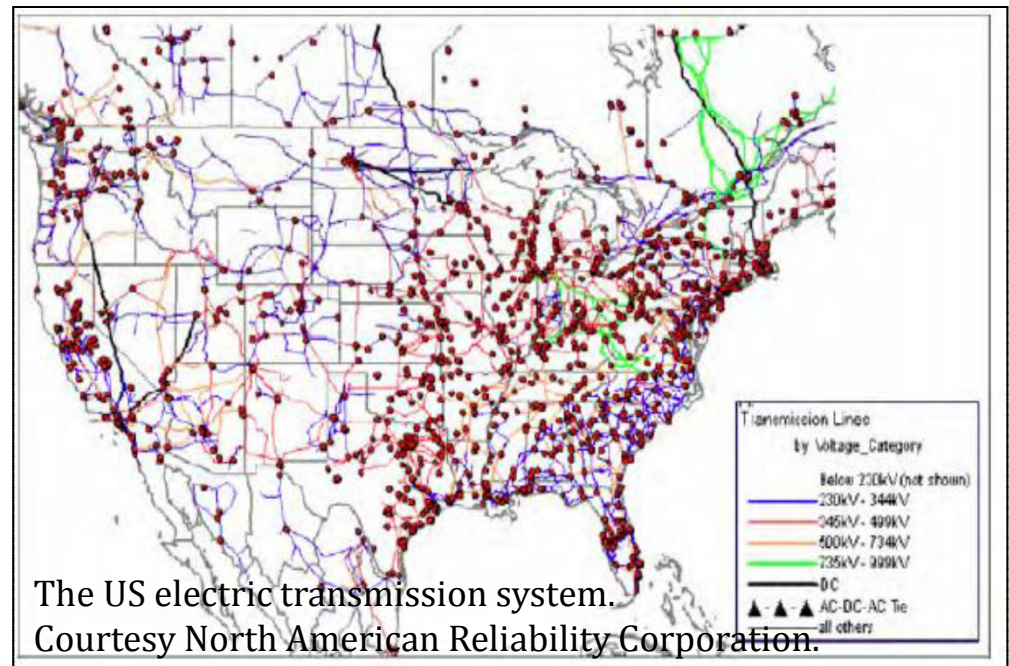
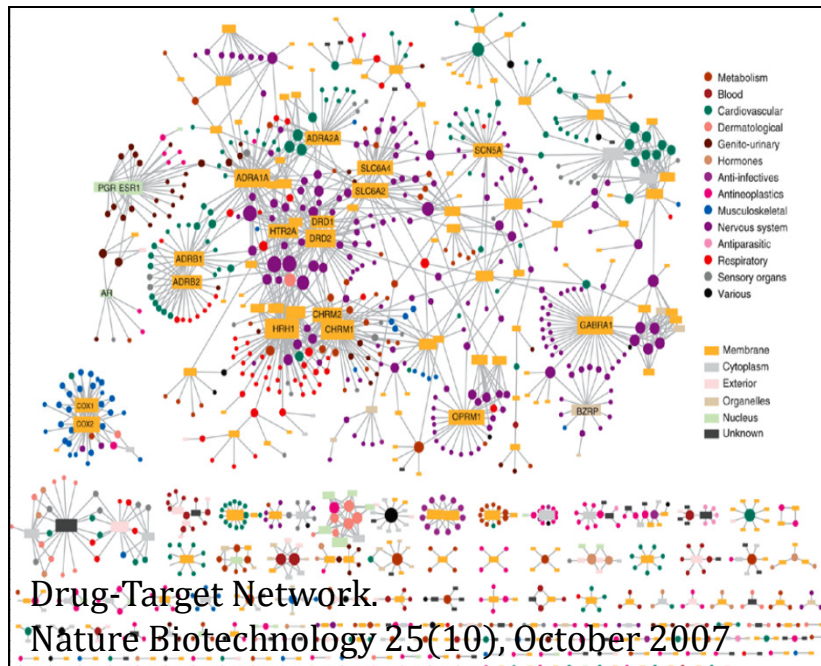
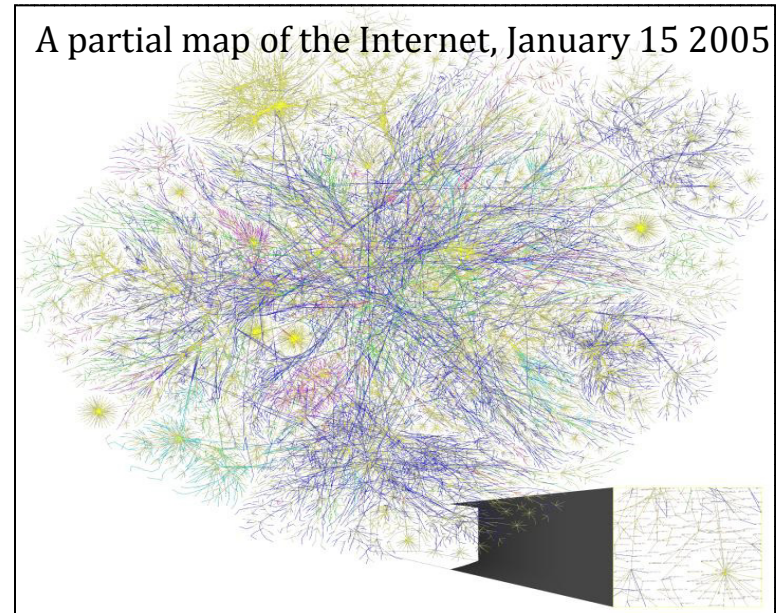
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Real-life networks and graphs

- Large networks are everywhere
- Can we understand their structure and exploit it?

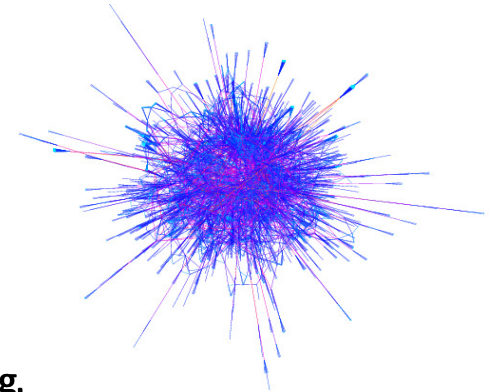
A partial map of the Internet, January 15 2005



Tree-like networks and graphs

Recent empirical and theoretical work has suggested that many real-life complex networks and graphs arising in Internet applications, in biological and social sciences, in chemistry and physics

have tree-like structures from a metric point of view.



Some prior empirical evidence

- **The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Tree-Based Theory for Networks with Clustering**, Melnik, Hackett, Porter, Mucha, Gleeson. Physical Review E, Vol. 83, No. 3 (2010).
- **Fast computation of empirically tight bounds for the diameter of massive graphs**, Magnien, Latapy, Habib. ACM J. of Experimental Algorithmics 13 (2008)
- “It was noted in recent years that **the Internet structure has a highly connected core and long stretched tendrils, and that most of the routing paths between nodes in the tendrils pass through the core.** Therefore, we suggest to embed the Internet distance metric in a hyperbolic space where routes are bent toward the center” Shavitt, Tankel. 2008. Hyperbolic embedding of internet graph for distance estimation and overlay construction. IEEE/ACM Trans. Netw. 16, 1 (2008).
- **Finding Hierarchy in Directed Online Social Networks**, Gupta, Shankar, Li, Muthukrishnan, Iftode. WWW2011.

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What do you mean, “tree-like” metrically?

Facebook: Caltech Network



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Autonomous Systems

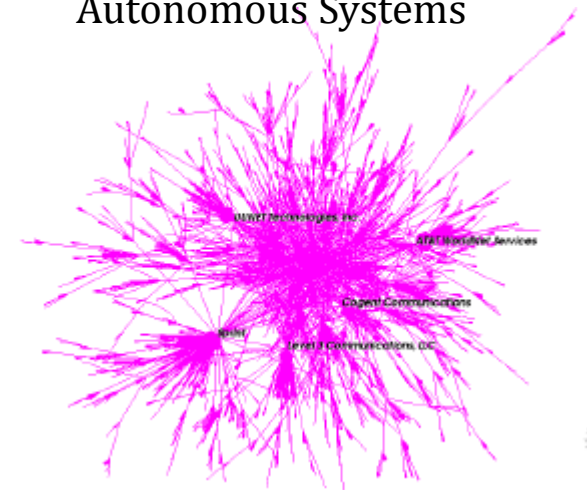


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Arxiv GR-QC collaboration

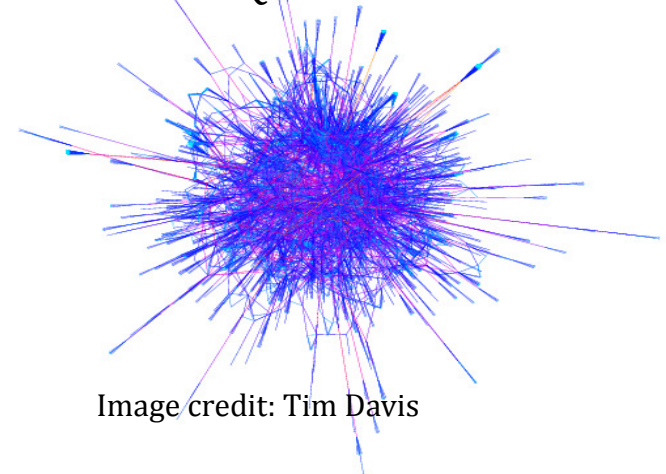


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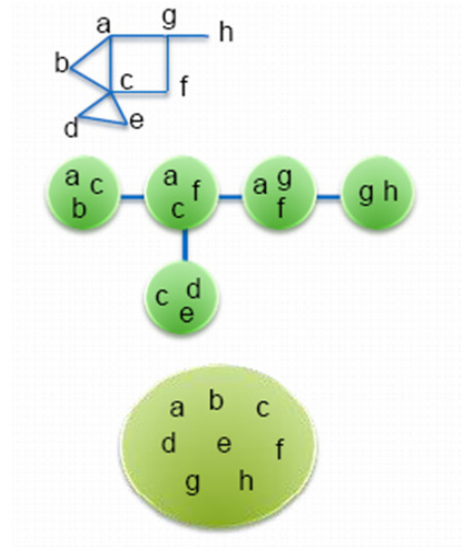
- no consensus has been reached on defining and measuring this tree-like structure

Graph parameters capturing “Tree-like”-ness

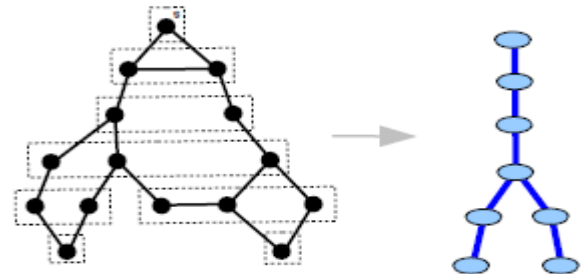
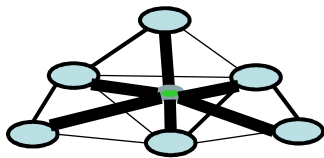
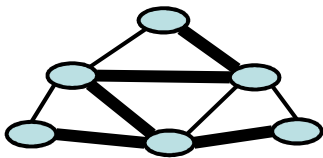
We consider here only unweighted and undirected graphs

Although, some results extend to weighted graphs as well

- Tree-width $tw(G)$ (combinatorial)
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- Tree-breadth $tb(G)$
- Tree-stretch $ts(G)$
- Tree-distortion $td(G)$ (metric)
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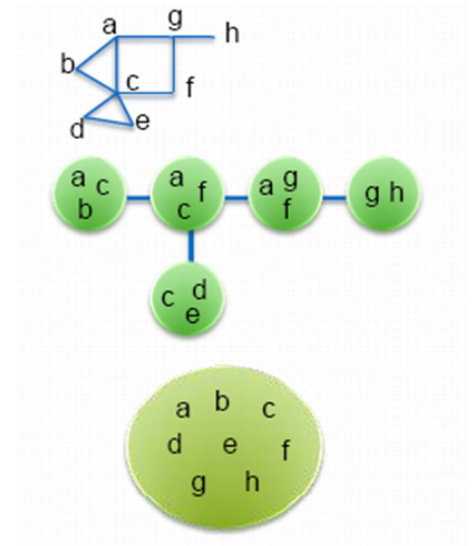
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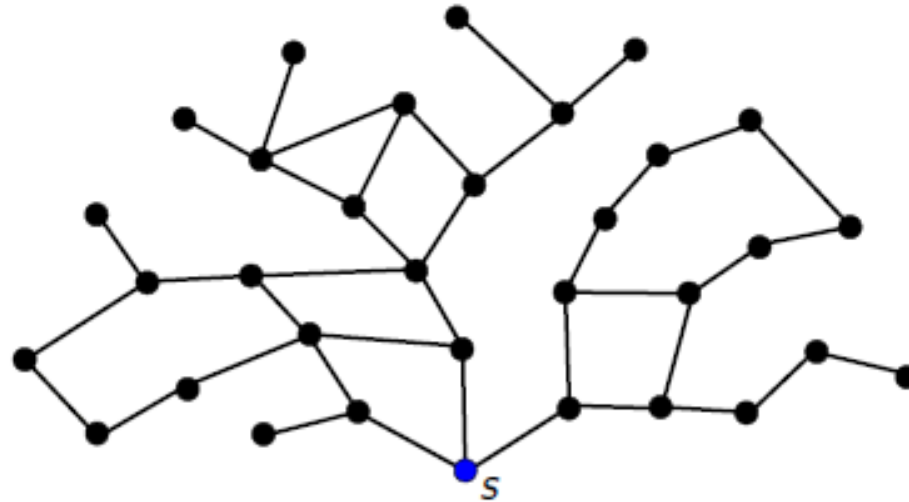
This talk:

- Discussion of these parameters
- Relations between them; their approximations
- Resulting approximation algorithms for optimization problems

Layering partition of a graph

[Brandstädt, Chepoi, Dragan: *J. Algorithms* (1999)]

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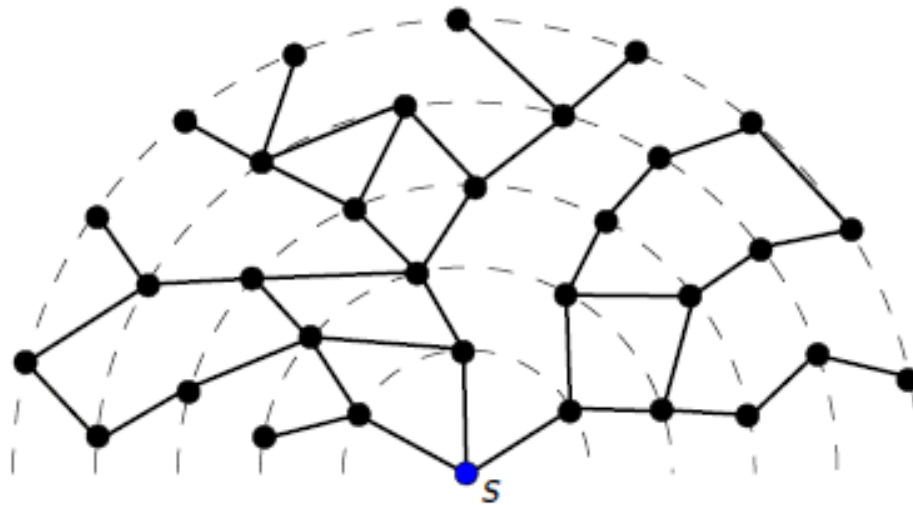


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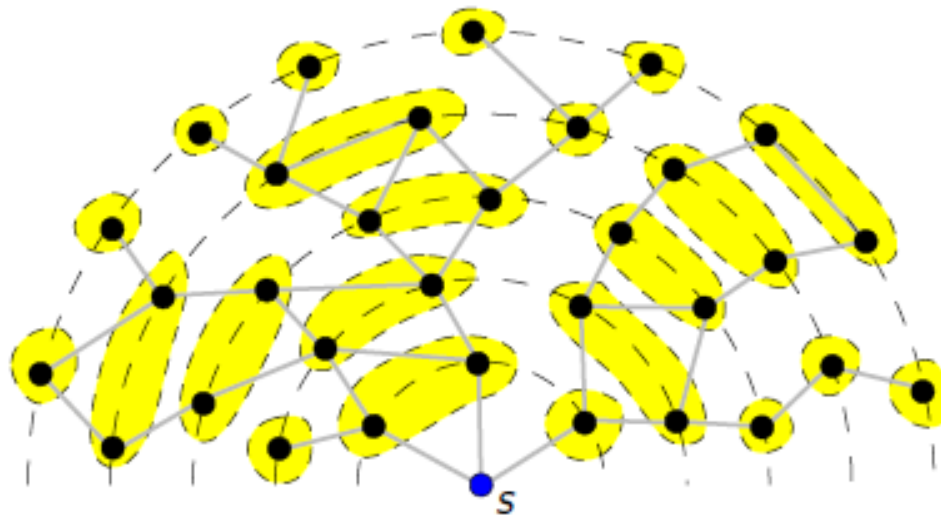


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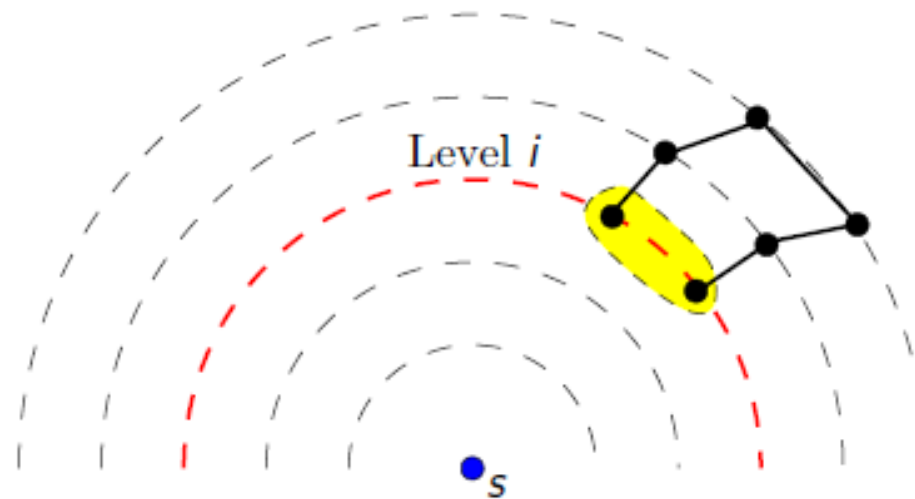


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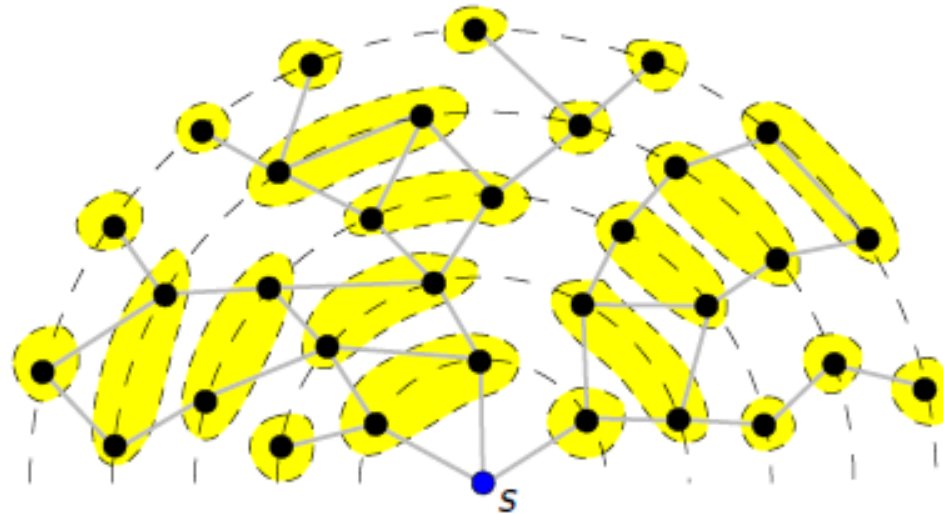
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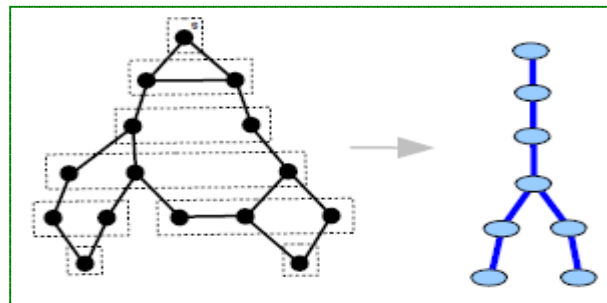
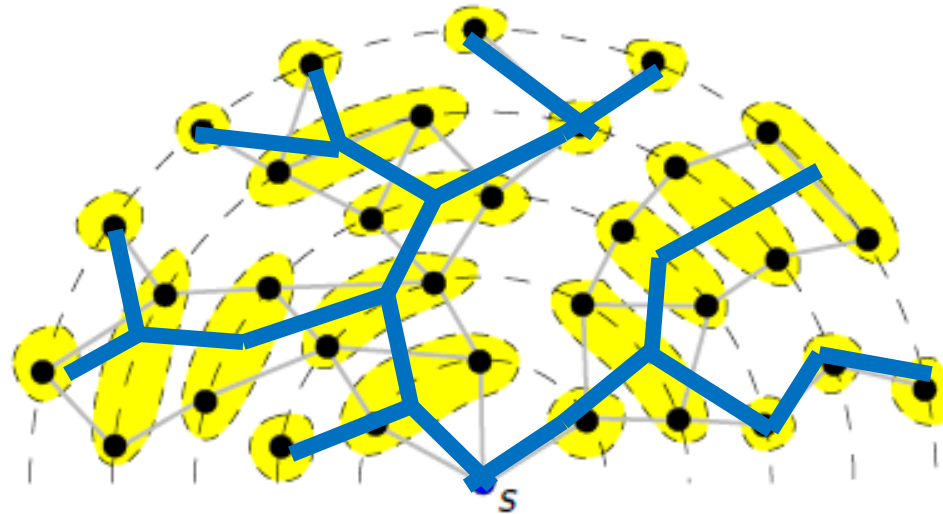
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Γ -Tree of a layering partition

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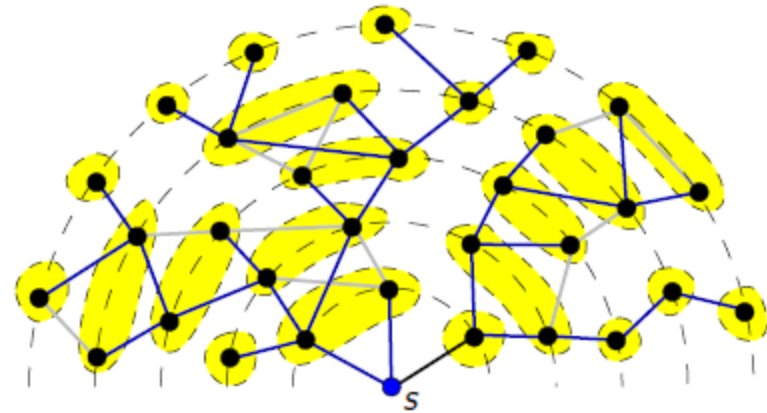
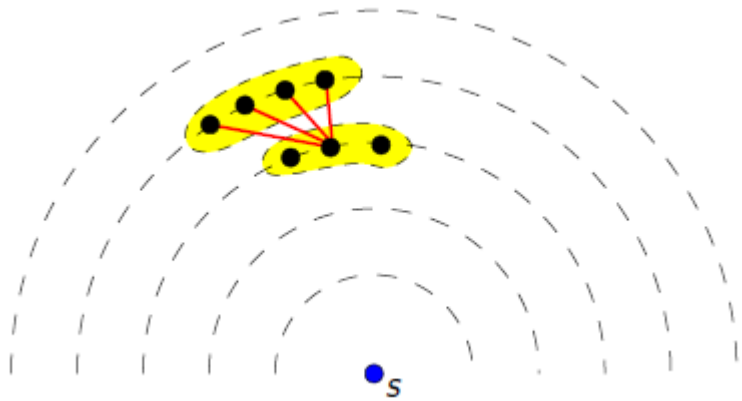
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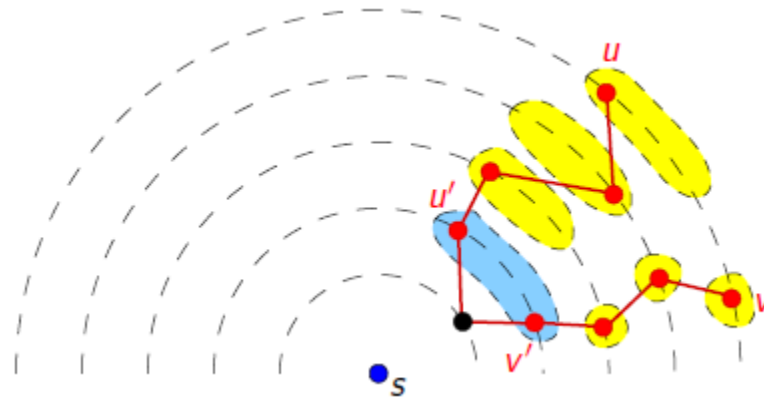
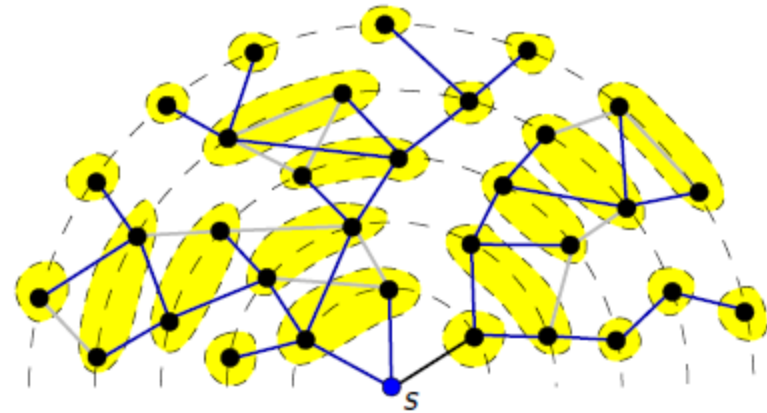
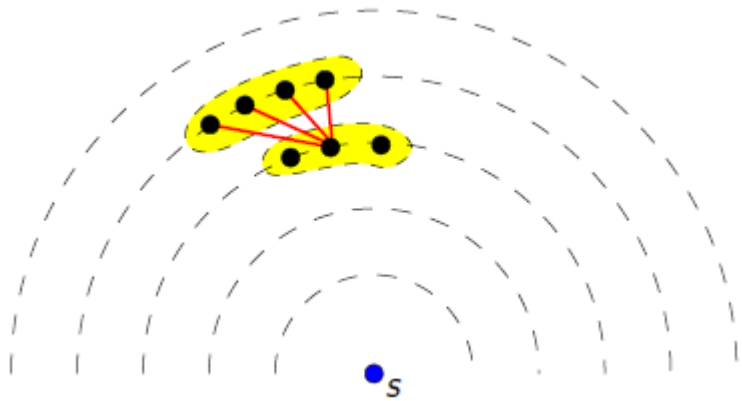
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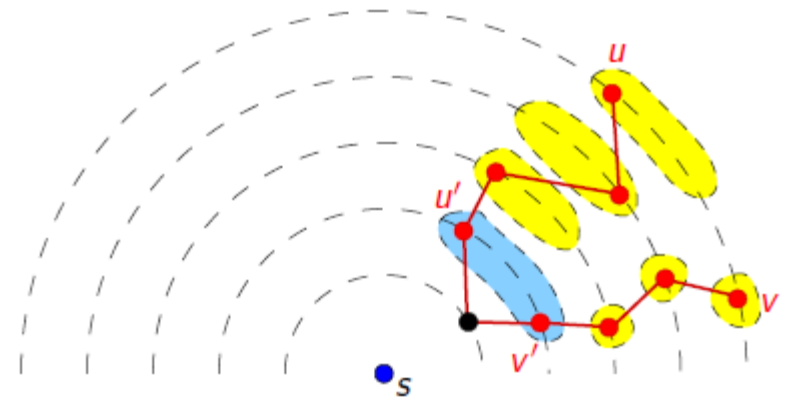
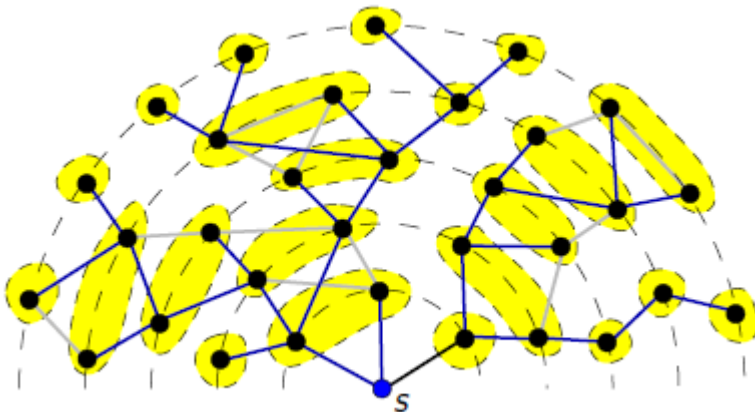
- Cluster-diameter $\Delta_s(G)$ of a layering partition

$$\Delta_s(G) = \max\{d_G(u, v) : u, v \text{ are in the same cluster}\}$$

- Cluster-radius $\rho_s(G)$ of a layering partition

$$\rho_s(G) = \min \{r : \forall \text{ cluster } C_i \exists v_i \text{ with } C_i \subseteq B_r(v_i)\}$$

Parameters $\Delta_s(G), \rho_s(G)$ can be computed in $O(nm)$ time for any graph



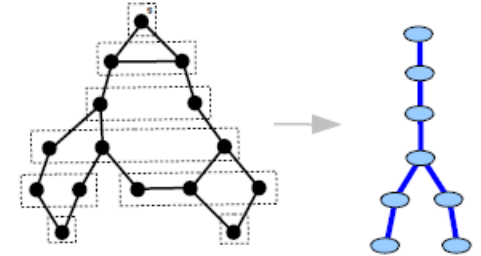
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Particular graph classes

$$\forall G, s, \exists T, \forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + \Delta_s(G)$$

the smaller parameter $\Delta_s(G)$, the closer graph to a tree metric



- **Chordal graphs:** $\Delta_s(G) \leq 3, \rho_s(G) \leq 2$ ($\forall G, s$)

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$$\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + 2$$

- **k-Chordal graphs:** $\Delta_s(G) \leq k/2 + 2$ ($\forall G, s$)

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$$\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + k/2 + 2$$

- **More graph classes to come...**

The length of largest induced cycles is 3

The length of largest induced cycles is k

Real-life graphs / networks

$$\forall G, s, \exists T, \forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + d_G(u', v')$$

$\Delta_s(G)$

By Muad Abu-Ata, PhD student at Kent State University

Data set	V	E	diam(G)	# of clusters	$\Delta_s(G)$	Average cluster diam	% of ≤ 2
Yeast	2,224	6,609	11	1,037	6	0.119575699	98%
Homo Sapiens	16,711	115,406	10	6,817	5	0.03432595	99%
PPI	1,458	1,948	19	1,017	8	0.118977384	98%
DBLB-coauthors	317,080	1,049,866	22	99,828	11	0.45350002	98%
Amazon	334,863	925,872	44	72,278	21	0.489056144	95%
Dutch_Elite	3,621	4,311	22	2,934	10	0.070211316	99%
ITDK0304	190,914	607,610	26	89,856	11	0.270377048	97%
Aqualab 12/2007- 09/2008	31,845	143,383	9	16,287	6	0.05826733	99%
Dimes 3/2010	26,424	90,267	8	16,065	4	0.056582633	99%
Routeview	10,515	21,455	10	6,702	6	0.063264697	99%
AS_CAIDA	26,475	53,381	17	17,067	6	0.056424679	99%

Yeast has 981 clusters of diameter 0

18	1
23	2
6	3
5	4
2	5
2	6

PPI has 966 clusters of diameter 0

21	1
14	2
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1	5
4	6
0	7
1	8

AS_CAIDA has 16459 clusters of diameter 0

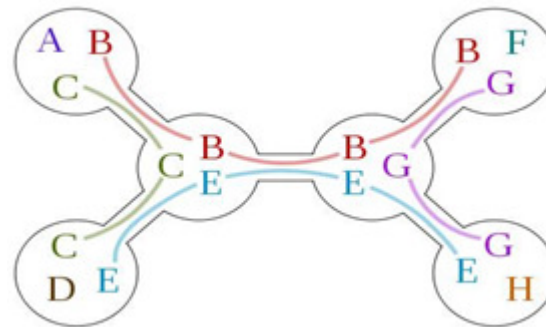
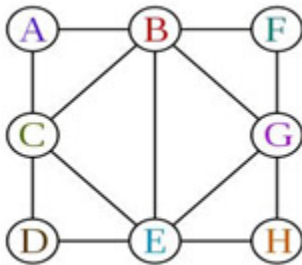
361	1
174	2
46	3
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Tree-Decomposition

[Robertson, Seymour]

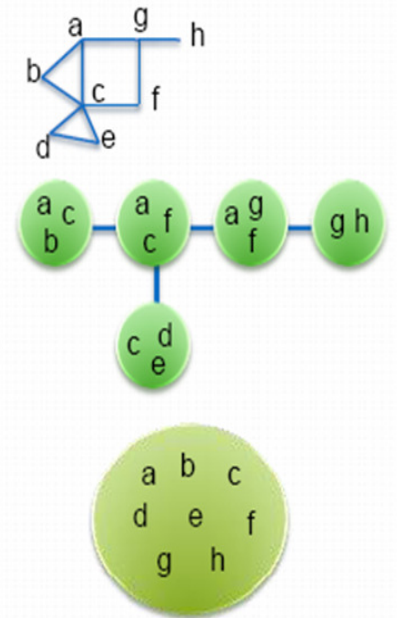
- **Tree-decomposition** $T(G)$ of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a pair $(\{X_i : i \in I\}, T = (I, F))$ where $\{X_i : i \in I\}$ is a collection of subset of V (bags) and T is a tree whose nodes are the bags satisfying:

- 1) $\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i = V$
- 2) $\forall uv \in E, \exists i \in I \text{ s.t. } u, v \in X_i$
- 3) $\forall v \in V, \text{ the set of bags } \{i \in I, v \in X_i\} \text{ form a subtree } T_v \text{ of } T$



Tree-Decomposition and Graph Parameters

- Tree-width $tw(G)$:
 - Width of $T(G)$ is $\max_{i \in I} |X_i| - 1$
 - $tw(G)$: minimum width over all tree-decompositions
- Tree-length $tl(G)$:
 - Length of $T(G)$ is $\max_{i \in I} \max_{u, v \in X_i} d_G(u, v)$
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Tree-length was introduced in [Dourisboure, Gavaille: *DM*(2007)] and [Dragan, Lomonosov: *DAM*(2007)]

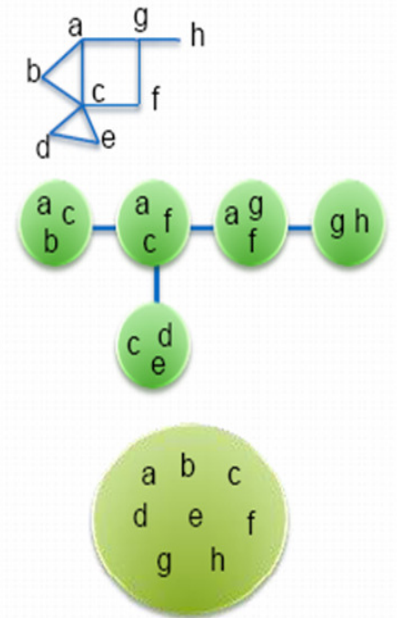
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(R,D)-acyclic clustering

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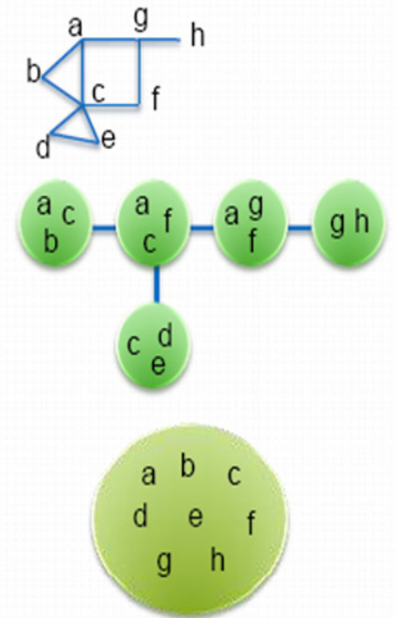


$$tw(C_{3k}) = 2, \quad tl(C_{3k}) = k$$

$$tw(K_n) = n - 1, \quad tl(K_n) = 1$$

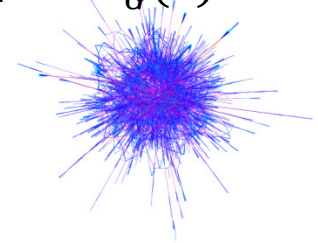
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Many real-life networks (e.g., with a highly connected core) have a large tree-width but still exhibit a tree-like structure



Particular graph classes / networks

the smaller parameters $tl(G)$, $tb(G)$, the closer graph to a tree

- Chordal graphs: $tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq 1$ (via clique tree) $\Delta_s(G) \leq 3$
- Chordal bipartite graphs: $tb(G) \leq 1$ [Dragan, Lomonosov: *DAM*(2007)]
- k-Chordal graphs: $tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq k/2$ [Dourisboure, Gavoille: *DM*(2007)] $\Delta_s(G) \leq k/2 + 2$

From Michel
Habib's
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Real Data ? from CAIDA project

M. Soto, PhD student at Paris Diderot, has computed graph invariants on some real networks

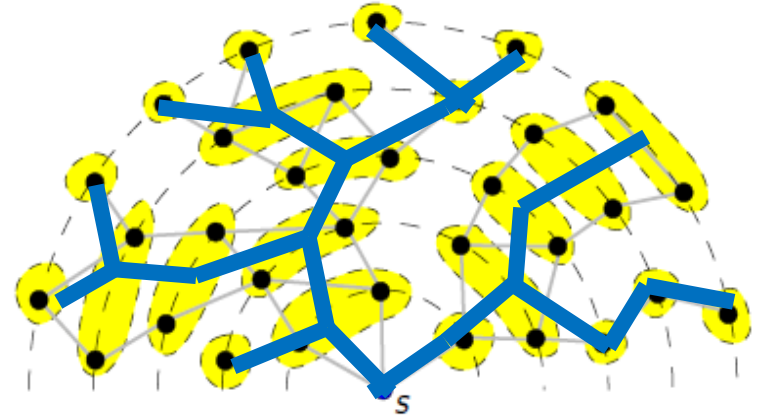
2 graphs with normal graph distance

Internet Topology Data Kit (ITDK) graph of the routing machines
Treedwidth ≥ 234 , Treelength ≤ 10 , Diameter=19,
 δ -hyperbolicity=3 (but for 96 % of the computed quadruplets the value is 1)

Autonomous System Internet Topology (AS-level) graph, a smaller graph

Treedwidth ≥ 82 , Treelength ≤ 6 , Diameter=10, δ -hyperbolicity=2
(but for 98 % of the computed quadruplets the value is 1)

Relationship between $tl(G)$, $tb(G)$ and $\Delta_s(G)$, $\rho_s(G)$



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 $tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq 1$ and $\Delta_s(G) \leq 3$
- k-Chordal graphs:
 $tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq k/2$ and $\Delta_s(G) \leq k/2 + 2$

General graphs

- $\forall G, s, tl(G) - 1 \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq 3 tl(G)$ [Dourisboure, Gavaille: *DM*(2007)]
- $\forall G, s, \rho_s(G) \leq 2 tl(G)$ [Dourisboure, Dragan, Gavaille, Yan: *TCS*(2007)]
- $\forall G, s, tb(G) - 1 \leq \rho_s(G) \leq 3 tb(G)$ [Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX*(2011)]
- To test if $tl(G) \leq \lambda$ is NP-complete for each $\lambda > 1$ [Lokshtanov: *DAM*(2010)]
- A tree-decomposition of length $\Delta_s(G) + 1 \leq 3 tl(G) + 1$ can be obtained in linear time from the Γ -Tree of a layering partition. [Dourisboure, Gavaille: *DM*(2007)]

Consequences for bounded tree-length graphs

- For any graph G there is a tree T , constructible in linear time, such that $\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + \Delta_s(G)$

$\uparrow 3 \text{tl}(G)$

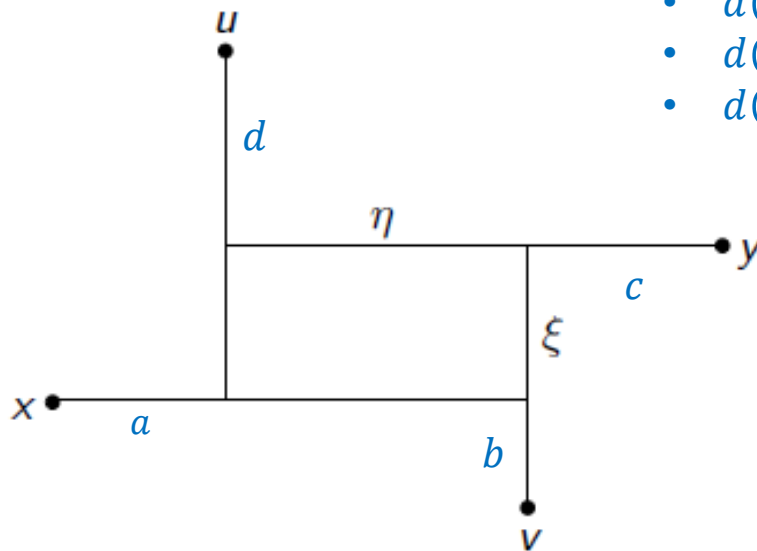
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- More results from [Dourisboure, Dragan, Gavoille, Yan: *TCS*(2007)] that employ inequalities $\Delta_s(G) \leq 3 \text{tl}(G)$ and $\rho_s(G) \leq 2 \text{tl}(G)$
 - Every n -vertex graph G has an additive $(4 \text{tl}(G))$ -spanner with at most $(2 \text{tl}(G) + 1)(n - 1)$ edges constructible in polynomial time
 - Every n -vertex graph G has an additive $(2 \text{tl}(G))$ -spanner with at most $(\text{tl}(G) + \log n)(n - 1)$ edges constructible in polynomial time
- More results from [Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX*(2011)] after few more slides

Hyperbolicity

δ -Hyperbolicity (M. Gromov, 1987)

for any four points u, v, w, x of a metric space (X, d) , the two larger of the distance sums $d(u, v) + d(w, x)$, $d(u, w) + d(v, x)$, $d(u, x) + d(v, w)$ differ by at most 2δ .



- $d(x, y) + d(u, v) = a + b + d + c + 2\eta + 2\xi$
- $d(x, v) + d(u, y) = a + b + d + c + 2\eta$
- $d(x, u) + d(y, v) = a + b + d + c + 2\xi$

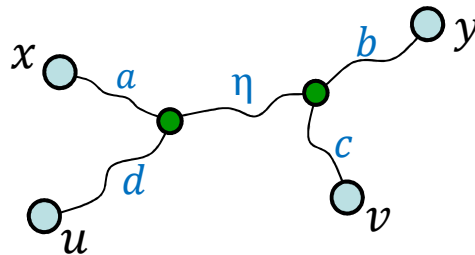
$$\min\{\eta, \xi\} \leq \delta$$

δ -Hyperbolicity measures the local deviation of a metric from a tree metric: a metric is a tree metric iff it is 0-hyperbolic.

Hyperbolicity of a graph

- The hyperbolicity $hb(G)$ of a graph G is the smallest number δ such that $(V(G), d_G)$ is δ -hyperbolic.

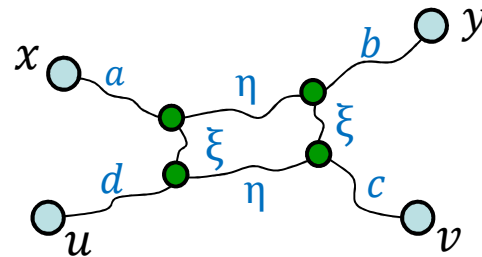
in tree metric



- $d_T(x, v) + d_T(u, y) = a + b + c + d + 2\eta$
- $d_T(x, y) + d_T(u, v) = a + b + c + d + 2\eta$
- $d_T(x, u) + d_T(y, v) = a + b + c + d$

Subspace
formed by
four points

in graph metric



- $d_G(x, v) + d_G(u, y) = a + b + d + c + 2\eta + 2\xi$
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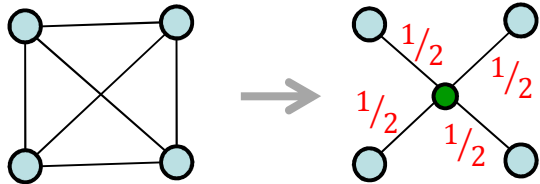
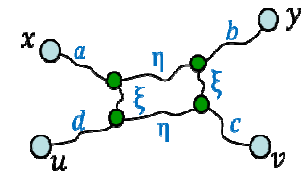
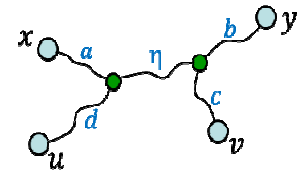
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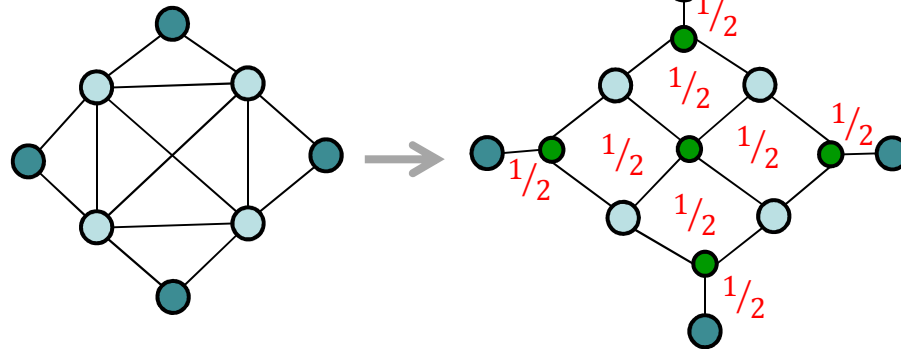
Particular graph classes

the smaller parameters $hb(G)$, the closer graph to a tree metrically

- $hb(G)$ can be computed naively in $O(n^4)$ time
- $hb(G)$ is a half integer ($1/2, 1, 3/2, 2, \dots$) for unweighted graphs



$hb(K_n) = 0$ (is a tree metrically)



$hb(S_4) = 1$ (is not a tree metrically)

- $hb(G) = 0$ iff G is a **block graph** (metrically a tree)
- **Chordal graphs**: $hb(G) \leq 1$ $\Delta_s(G) \leq 3, tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq 1$
[Brinkmann, Koolen, Moulton: *Annals of Combinatorics* (2001)]
- **k-Chordal graphs** ($k > 3$): $hb(G) \leq k/4$ $\Delta_s(G) \leq k/2 + 2, tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq k/2$
[Wu, Zhang: *E.J. on Combinatorics* (2011)]
- More graph classes to come...

Real-life graphs / networks

By Muad Abu-Ata, PhD student at Kent State University

Data set	V	E	diam(G)	$\Delta_s(G)$	hyperbolicity	% of ≤ 1
Yeast	2,224	6,609	11	6	2.5	99%
Homo Sapiens	16,711	115,406	10	5	-	
PPI	1,458	1,948	19	8	3.5	98%
DBLB-coauthors	317,080	1,049,866	22	11	-	
Amazon	334,863	925,872	44	21	-	
Dutch_Elite	3,621	4,311	22	10	4	96%
ITDK0304	190,914	607,610	26	11	-	
Aqualab 12/2007- 09/2008	31,845	143,383	9	6	-	
Dimes 3/2010	26,424	90,267	8	4	-	
Routeview	10,515	21,455	10	6	-	
AS_CAIDA	26,475	53,381	17	6	2.5	97%

PPI

hyperbolicity	relative frequency
0	0.4831
0.5	0.3634
1	0.1336
1.5	0.0179
2	0.0019
2.5	3.55E-05
3	1.65E-06
3.5	3.79E-09

Montgolfier, Soto, Viennot: *NCA* (2011)

Graph	Avg deg	Max deg	β	Hyp.	tw
CAIDA AS	6.31	1,815	2.19	2.0	$\in [82, 473]$
Erdős-Rényi	6.34	18	-	2.5	≥ 135
Barabási	6.00	283	2.92	2.0	≥ 130
AS degree dist.	6.31	1,815	2.19	1.5	≥ 110
Power Law	8.97	1,507	2.19	1.5	≥ 150

M. Soto (2009)

Internet Topology Data Kit (ITDK) graph of the routing machines
 Treewidth ≥ 234 , Treelength ≤ 10 , Diameter=19,
 δ -hyperbolicity=3 (but for 96 % of the computed quadruplets the value is 1)
Autonomus System Internet Topology (AS-level) graph, a smaller graph
 Treewidth ≥ 82 , Treelength ≤ 6 , Diameter=10, δ -hyperbolicity=2
 (but for 98 % of the computed quadruplets the value is 1)

Relationship between $tl(G)$, $\Delta_s(G)$ and $hb(G)$

- Chordal graphs:

$$hb(G) \leq 1 \text{ and } tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq 1 \text{ and } \Delta_s(G) \leq 3$$

- k-Chordal graphs:

$$hb(G) \leq k/4 \text{ and } tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq k/2 \text{ and } \Delta_s(G) \leq k/2 + 2$$

General graphs

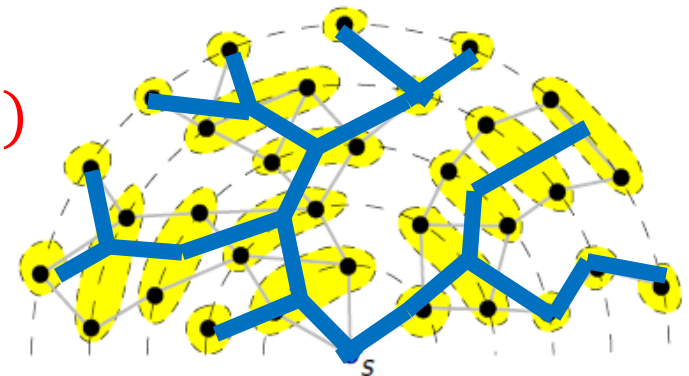
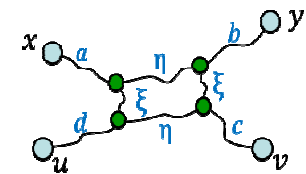
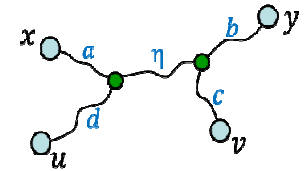
[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes: *SoCG* (2008)]

[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes, Xiang: *Algorithmica* (2012)]

- $\forall G, hb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq O(hb(G) \log n)$
- $\forall G, s, hb(G) \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq O(hb(G) \log n)$

Recall:

- $\forall G, s, tl(G) - 1 \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq 3 tl(G)$



Distance approximating trees

[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes: *SoCG* (2008)]

[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes, Xiang: *Algorithmica* (2012)]

- $\forall G, s, hb(G) \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq 4 + 12 hb(G) + 8 hb(G) \log_2 n$

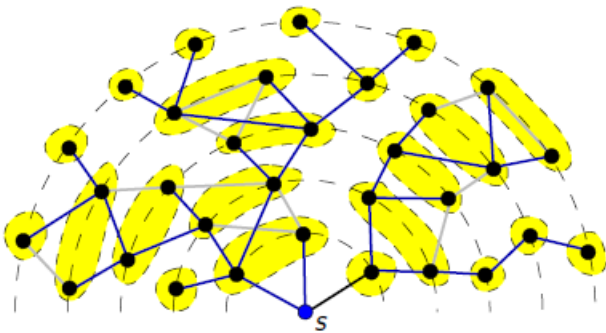
↓
• For any graph G there is a tree T , constructible in **linear time**, such that

$$\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + \cancel{\Delta_s(G)} \leftarrow O(hb(G) \log n)$$

equivalently,

$$\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) - O(hb(G) \log n) \leq d_T(u, v) \leq d_G(u, v) + 2$$

(notice, T is unweighted and without Steiner points)



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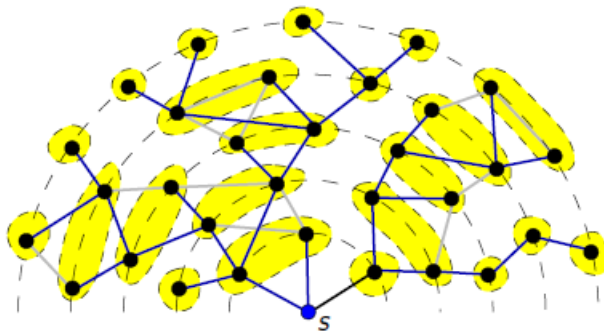
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$O(hb(G) \log n)$

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(notice, T is unweighted and without Steiner points)



Can be made non-expanding like in Gromov's case by allowing Steiner points and edge weights $\{0,1\}$ in T .

Theorem (Gromov, 1987)

For any δ -hyperbolic metric space (X, d) on n points and any fixed basepoint $s \in X$, there a tree T and a map $\varphi : X \rightarrow T$ such that

- $d_T(\varphi(s), \varphi(x)) = d(s, x)$ pour tout $x \in X$,
- $d(x, y) - 2\delta \log_2 n \leq d_T(\varphi(x), \varphi(y)) \leq d(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$.

The tree T can be constructed using $O(n^2)$ distance computations.

Easy to show:

- If for a graph G there is a tree T with $d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) \leq d_G(u, v) + r \quad \forall u, v \in V$ then G is r -hyperbolic
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More algorithmic results

Known algorithmic results about δ -hyperbolicity

The **internet topology** embeds with better accuracy into low-dimensional hyperbolic space than into Euclidian space of comparable dimension. PTAS for the **Traveling Salesman Problem**, efficient **nearest neighbor search**, **distance labeling schemes** and **routing schemes**, and approximation algorithms for **covering and packing by balls**.

Sparse additive spanners



[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes, Xiang: *Algorithmica* (2012)]

Our results

(i) We show that approximating the **diameter** $diam(S)$, the **radius** $rad(S)$, and the **center** $C(S)$ of a subset S in a δ -hyperbolic geodesic space or graph with an $O(\delta)$ -**additive error** can be done in the same way as for trees. This leads to very simple algorithms for fast approximating (and in some cases, for computing in **linear time**) of $diam(S)$, $rad(S)$, and $C(S)$.

(ii) We present a simple linear-time construction of distance **approximating trees** of δ -hyperbolic graphs with n vertices having the same additive **distortion** $O(\delta \log n)$ as Gromov's construction.

(iii) We establish that several classes of geometrically defined graphs have bounded hyperbolicity.

[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes: *SoCG* (2008)]

Recall:

- **The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Tree-Based Theory for Networks with Clustering**, Melnik, Hackett, Porter, Mucha, Gleeson. *Physical Review E*, Vol. 83, No. 3 (2010).
- **Fast computation of empirically tight bounds for the diameter of massive graphs**, Magnien, Latapy, Habib. *ACM J. of Experimental Algorithmics* 13 (2008)

Diameter, Radius, Center

Diameter

Let S be a finite set of points of a metric space (X, d) .

Diameter: $diam(S) = \max\{d(u, v) : u, v \in S\}$.

Diametral pair: any pair of points $x, y \in S$ such that $d(x, y) = diam(S)$.

Furthest neighbors

The set $F(x)$ of **furthest neighbors** of a point $x \in X$ in S consists of all points of S at the maximum distance from x . The **eccentricity** $ecc(x)$ of $x \in X$ is the distance from x to any point of $F(x)$.

Center and radius

The **center** $C(S)$ of S is the set of points of X with minimum eccentricity. The **radius** $rad(S)$ of S is the eccentricity of central points, i.e., $rad(S)$ is the smallest radius of a ball of (X, d) enclosing all points of S (a **ball** $B(c, r) = \{x \in X : d(c, x) \leq r\}$ consists of all points $x \in X$ at distance at most r to c).

Fast computation of diameter, radius, and center

is a basic algorithmic problem in **computational geometry** and **graph theory** with applications in operation research, data clustering, location theory, and analysis of complex networks.

Tree-Folklore

C. Jordan (1869)

C. Jordan established that the center of a tree is a single point (and of a graphic tree is a vertex or an edge).

Diameter

The diameter $diam(S)$ of a set S in a tree T can be found in linear time by running the following folklore algorithm:

Algorithm 2FP

- 1 Pick an arbitrary point u of T
- 2 Find a furthest neighbor v of u in S
- 3 Find a furthest neighbor w of v in S
- 4 Return $d(v, w)$ as $diam(S)$ and v, w as a diametral pair of S

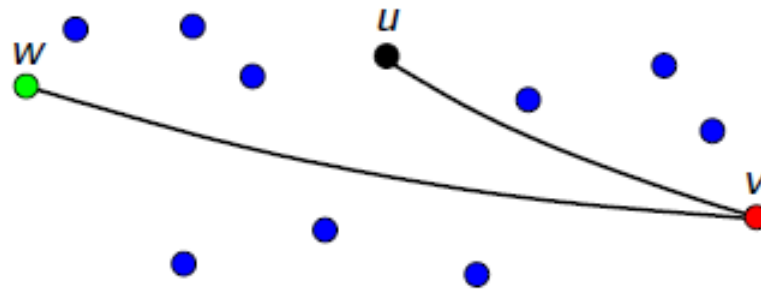
Center

To find the center of S it suffices to add the following step:

- 5 Return the midpoint c of the unique (v, w) -path of T

Diameter and Radius

[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes: *SoCG*(2008)]



Proposition 1

For a finite subset S of a δ -hyperbolic space (X, d) and any $u \in X$, if $v \in F(u)$ and $w \in F(v)$, then $d(v, w) \geq \text{diam}(S) - 2\delta$. The pair $\{v, w\}$ can be computed using $O(|S|)$ distance calculations.

Proposition 2

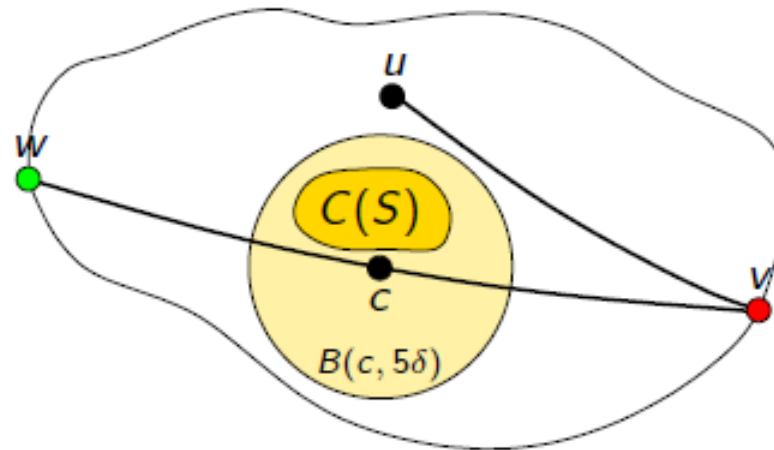
For a finite set S of a δ -hyperbolic geodesic space,
 $2\text{rad}(S) \geq \text{diam}(S) \geq 2\text{rad}(S) - 4\delta$.

Corollary 1

For a finite set S of a δ -hyperbolic geodesic space,
 $\text{rad}(S) \leq d(v, w)/2 + 3\delta$.

Center

[Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes: *SoCG*(2008)]



Proposition 3

For a finite set S of a δ -hyperbolic geodesic space, $\text{diam}(C(S)) \leq 4\delta$.

Let c be the middle of a geodesic $[v, w]$ between v and w .

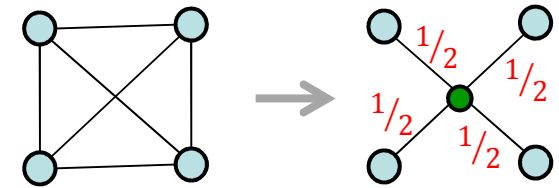
Proposition 4

The inequality $\text{ecc}(c) \leq \text{rad}(S) + 5\delta$ holds for all δ -hyperbolic geodesic spaces and graphs. Moreover $C(S) \subseteq B(c, 5\delta)$ ($C(G) \subseteq B(c, 5\delta + 1)$ for δ -hyperbolic graphs).

Tree-distortion $td(G)$

- Tree-distortion $td(G)$ of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is the smallest number α such that G admits a (not necessarily spanning, possibly weighted and having Steiner points) tree $T = (V \cup S, U)$ with

$$\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) \leq \alpha d_G(u, v).$$



$td(K_n) = 1$ (is a tree metrically)

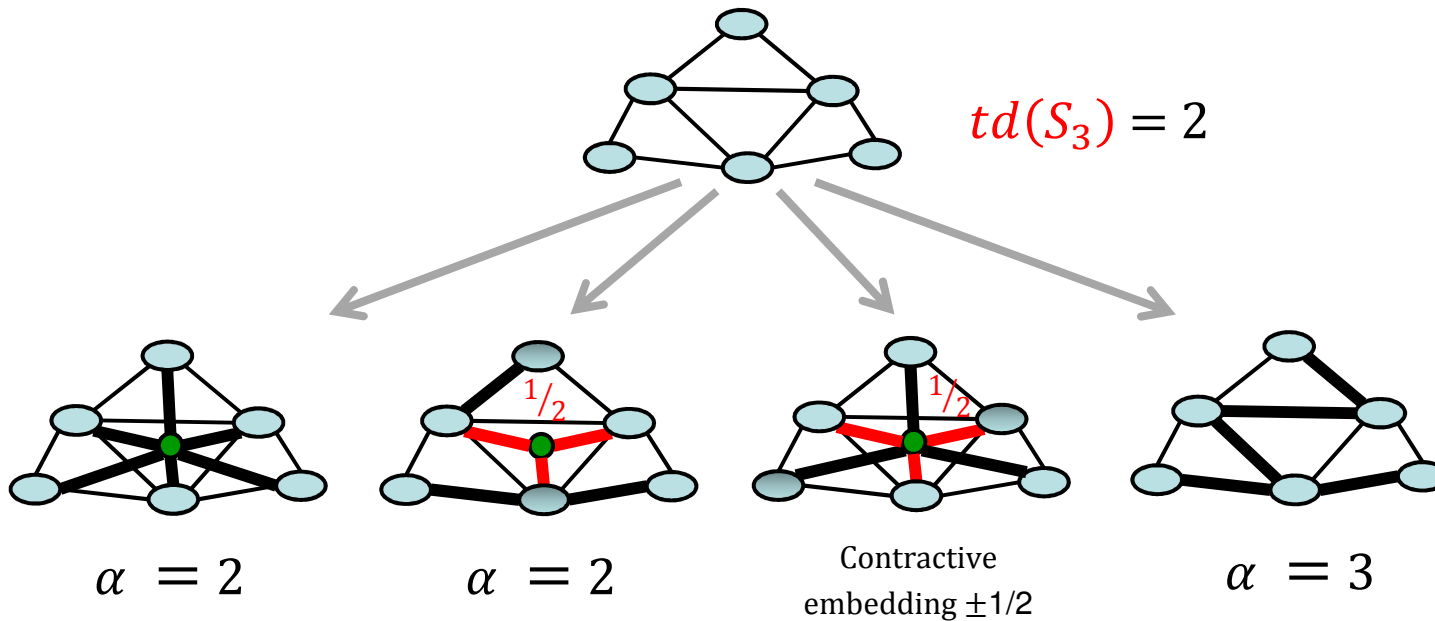
- the smaller α , the closer graph to a tree

- The problem is known also as

“non-contractive minimum distortion embedding into trees”

(most popular among different embeddings into trees)

$td(S_3) = 2$



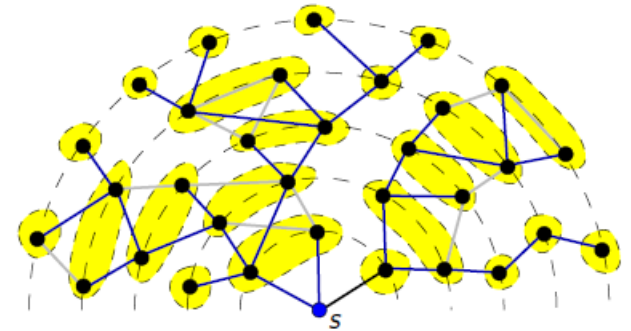
Variations of earlier results

(to reach the form $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) \leq \alpha d_G(u, v)$)

[Chepoi, Dragan, Newman, Rabinovich, Vaxes: *Discr.&Comput.Geom.* (2012)]

We had:

- For any graph G there is a tree T , constructible in **linear time**, such that $\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + \Delta_s(G)$
(notice, T is unweighted and without Steiner points)



- Assigning uniformly weight $\Delta_s(G) + 1$ to all edges of T we get T_w with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T_w}(u, v) \leq (\Delta_s(G) + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 2)$

(non-contractive)

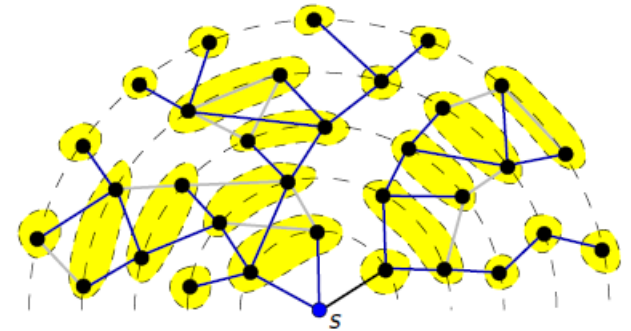
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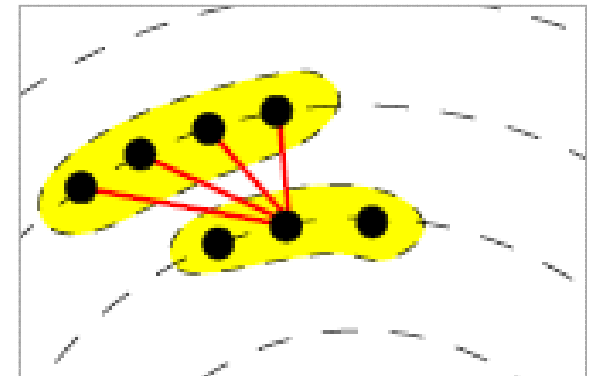
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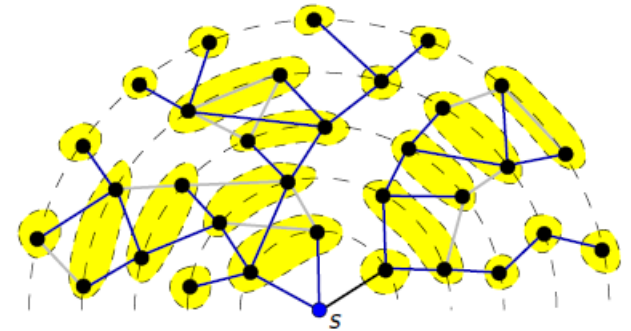
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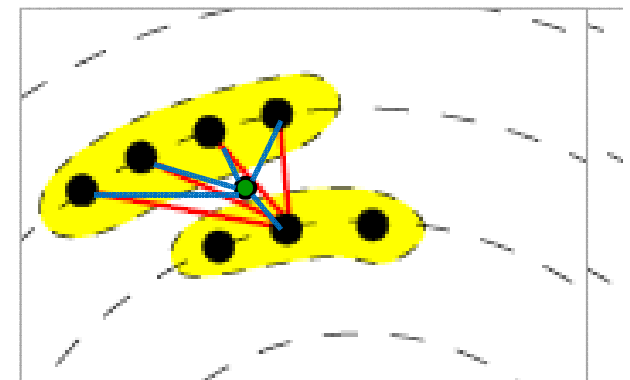
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(notice, T is unweighted and without Steiner points)



- Assigning uniformly weight $\Delta_s(G) + 1$ to all edges of T we get T_w with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T_w}(u, v) \leq (\Delta_s(G) + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 2)$

(non-contractive)



- Introducing Steiner points and assigning uniformly weight $(\Delta_s(G) + 1)/2$ to all edges of T we get T'_w with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T'_w}(u, v) \leq (\Delta_s(G) + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 1)$

Relations between $td(G)$ and $\Delta_s(G)$

- For any graph G there is a tree T , constructible in **linear time**, such that $\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + \Delta_s(G)$
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[Chepoi, Dragan, Newman, Rabinovich, Vaxes: *Discr.&Comput.Geom.* (2012)]

$$\bullet \quad \forall G, s, \Delta_s(G)/3 \leq td(G) \leq 2 \Delta_s(G) + 2$$

Hence:

- For any graph G there is a tree T , constructible in **linear time**, such that $\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + 3td(G)$
- Assigning uniformly weight $\Delta_s(G) + 1$ to all edges of T we get T_w with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T_w}(u, v) \leq (3td(G) + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 2)$
- Introducing Steiner points and assigning uniformly weight $(\Delta_s(G) + 1)/2$ to all edges of T we get T'_w with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T'_w}(u, v) \leq (3td(G) + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 1)$

Consequences for minimum distortion embedding into trees

[Chepoi, Dragan, Newman, Rabinovich, Vaxes: *Discr.&Comput.Geom.* (2012)]

- $\forall G, s, \Delta_s(G)/3 \leq td(G) \leq 2 \Delta_s(G) + 2$

If G admits a tree H with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_H(u, v) \leq \alpha d_G(u, v)$ then:

- there is a tree T , constructible in **linear time**, such that
 $\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + 3\alpha$

(multiplicative distortion turned into an additive distortion; T is unweighted and no Steiner points)

- assigning uniformly weight $\Delta_s(G) + 1$ to all edges of T we get T_w with
 $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T_w}(u, v) \leq (3\alpha + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 2) \leq 12\alpha d_G(u, v)$
(a 12-approximation algorithm for minimum distortion embedding into trees)
- introducing Steiner points and assigning uniformly weight $(\Delta_s(G) + 1)/2$ to all edges of T we get T'_w with
 $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T'_w}(u, v) \leq (3\alpha + 1)(d_G(u, v) + 1) \leq 8\alpha d_G(u, v)$
(an 8-approximation algorithm for minimum distortion embedding into trees)

H may be weighted and may have Steiner points

Previous approximation bounds and final 6-approximation

- The problem of minimum distortion embedding into trees is NP-hard
- 100 - approximation [Badoiu, Indyk, Sidiropoulos: *SODA* (2007)]
- 27 - approximation [Badoiu, Demaine, Hajiaghayi, Sidiropoulos, Zadimoghaddam: *APPROX*(2008)]

[Chepoi, Dragan, Newman, Rabinovich, Vaxes: *APPROX*(2010) and *Discr.&Comput.Geom.* (2012)]

- $\forall G, s, \Delta_s(G)/3 \leq td(G) \leq 2 \Delta_s(G) + 2$
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- 8 - approximation by a weighted tree with Steiner points
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$$\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T'}(u, v) \leq 3\alpha(d_G(u, v) + 1) \leq 6\alpha d_G(u, v)$$



(the larger the distance $d_G(u, v)$, the smaller the distortion)

$d_G(u, v) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{distortion} \leq 6;$
 $d_G(u, v) = 2 \Rightarrow \text{distortion} \leq 4.5;$
 $d_G(u, v) \geq 3 \Rightarrow \text{distortion} \leq 4; \dots$

Real-life graphs / networks

- For any graph G there is a tree T , constructible in **linear time**, such that $\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + 3td(G)$

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Data set	V	Avg error left (d_G/d_T)	max error left (d_G/d_T)	% of left pairs ($d_G > d_T$)	Avg error right (d_T/d_G)	max error right (d_T/d_G)	% of right pairs ($d_T > d_G$)	Avg. relative error ($ d_G - d_T /d_G$)	% of pairs $d_T = d_G$
Yeast	2,224	1.48714	5	56.3%	1.48714	3	12.2%	0.219268	31.5%
Homo Sapiens	16,711	1.533	4	2.8%	1.17564	3	25.2%	0.180092	72.0%
PPI	1,458	1.50159	7	70.5%	1.10486	3	9.1%	0.24669	20.4%
DBLB-coauthors	317,080	1.77416	9	95.8%	1.03535	3	0.6%	0.383101	3.6%
Amazon	334,863	2.48301	19	99.1%	1.04929	3	0.3%	0.536656	0.6%
Dutch_Elite	3,621	1.54045	7	73.0%	1.05818	3	3.9%	0.252341	23.1%
ITDK0304	190,914	1.60077	8	94.8%	1.02828	3	0.6%	0.331656	4.6%
Aqualab 12/2007- 09/2008	31,845	1.42269	4	31.7%	1.21947	3	35.8%	0.241815	32.5%
Dimes 3/2010	26,424	1.53666	3	5.7%	1.17552	3	44.4%	0.184767	49.9%
Routeview	10,515	1.40636	4	24.3%	1.18259	3	33.4%	0.205375	42.3%
AS_CAIDA	26,475	1.48085	4	21.4%	1.16106	3	35.4%	0.192302	43.2%

PPI		Yeast		AS_CAIDA		Homo Sapiens	
error	relative frequency	error	relative frequency	error	relative frequency	error	relative frequency
[7,6]	0.000030	[5,4]	0.000127	[4,3]	0.000015	[4,3]	0.000013
(6,5)	0.000069	(4,3)	0.000708	(3,2)	0.029115	(3,2)	0.004992
(5,4)	0.000214	(3,2)	0.080864	(2,1)	0.185172	(2,1)	0.023258
(4,3)	0.007091	(2,1)	0.481600	(1,2)	0.771621	(1,2)	0.884653
(3,2)	0.081369	[1,2]	0.428692	[2,3]	0.014077	[2,3]	0.087083
(2,1)	0.616643	[2,3]	0.008009				
[1,2]	0.290158						
[2,3]	0.004456						

90% (PPI), 90% (Yeast), 95% (AS_CAIDA), 90% (Homo Sapiens)

Tree-stretch $ts(G)$

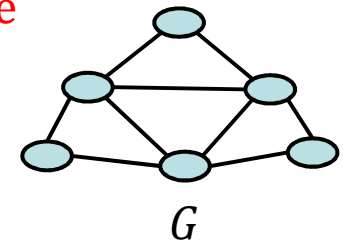
- Tree-stretch $ts(G)$ of an unweighted undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ is the minimum number t such that G has a **spanning tree** $T = (V, E')$ with $d_T(u, v) \leq t$ for every edge $uv \in E$.
- Tree shape mimics graph shape: the smaller t the closer graph to a tree

Corresponding decision problem: Tree t -Spanner Problem

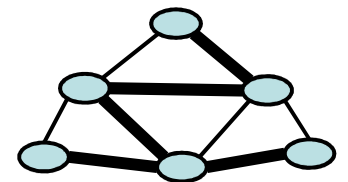
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$$\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) \leq t d_G(u, v)$$

(a **multiplicative tree t -spanner** of G)



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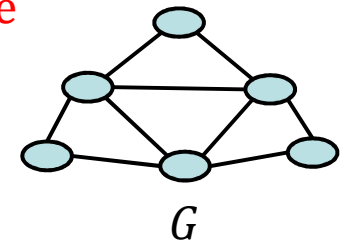
Given unweighted undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and integers t, r .
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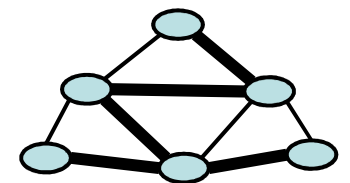
or

$\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) \leq d_G(u, v) + r$
(an **additive tree r -spanner** of G)?

minimum r is called **tree-surplus $tp(G)$**



$$ts(G) = 3$$



Some previously known results

General unweighted graphs

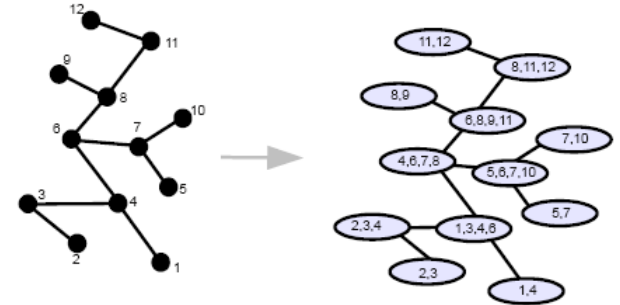
- NP-complete for $t > 3$, linear for $t = 1, 2$, open for $t = 3$
[Cai, Corneil: *SIAM J. Discrete Math.* (1995)]
- NP-hard to 2-approximate
[Liebchen, Wünsch: *Discrete Appl. Math.* (2008)]
- $O(\log n)$ -approximation
[Emek, Peleg: *SIAM J. Comput.* (2008)]

Special graph classes

- Linear time for **planar graphs** and **their generalizations** for any fixed t
[Dragan, Fomin, Golovach: *J. of Computer and System Sciences* (2011)]
- $ts(G)$ is constant for **AT-free, strongly chordal, dually chordal**, etc...
[Kratsch, Le, Müller, Prisner, Wagner: *SIAM J. Discrete Math.* (2003)]
[Brandstädt, Chepoi, Dragan: *J. Algorithms* (1999)] ...
- $ts(G)$ is $\theta(\log n)$ for **chordal graphs**
[Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX* (2011)]

Relations between $ts(G)$ and $tb(G)$ and consequences

[Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX*(2011)]



- $\forall G, tb(G) \leq \lceil ts(G)/2 \rceil$ and $tl(G) \leq ts(G)$
- Any connected n -vertex, m -edge graph G admits a tree $(2tb(G) \log_2 n)$ -spanner constructible in $O(nm \log^2 n)$ time from scratch.
- Any connected n -vertex, m -edge graph G admits a tree $(6tl(G) \log_2 n)$ -spanner constructible in $O(m \log n)$ time from scratch.
- $\forall G, ts(G) \leq 2tb(G) \log_2 n \leq 2tl(G) \log_2 n$

↓ Hence, $O(\log n)$ -approximation for $ts(G)$

- One can construct from scratch for any graph G
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Compare with [Emek, Peleg: *SIAM J. Comput.* (2008)]

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Hence, if a graph is embeddable into a tree with distortion α then it is embeddable to a spanning tree with stretch at most $2\alpha \log_2 n$.

The bound is sharp (**chordal graphs**):

• $ts(G)$ is $\theta(\log n)$ [Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX*(2011)]

• $td(G)$ is $\theta(1)$ [Brandstädt, Chepoi, Dragan: *J. Algorithms* (1999)]

$$\exists T, \forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + 2$$

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Recall,

If G admits a tree H with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_H(u, v) \leq \alpha d_G(u, v)$ then

- there is a tree T , constructible in linear time, such that

$$\forall u, v \in V, d_T(u, v) - 2 \leq d_G(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) + 3\alpha$$

- there is a easily constructible tree T'_l with $\forall u, v \in V, d_G(u, v) \leq d_{T'_l}(u, v) \leq 3\alpha(d_G(u, v) + 1) \leq 6\alpha d_G(u, v)$

Hence, if a graph admits a tree t -spanner then it is embeddable to a tree with distortion at most $6t$. Furthermore, tree t -spanner can be turned into additive distortion tree.

Relationships between parameters

- $\forall G, \quad tb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq 2tb(G)$ [folklore]
- $\forall G, s, \quad \rho_s(G) \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq 2\rho_s(G)$ [folklore]
- $\forall G, s, \quad tl(G) - 1 \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq 3 tl(G)$ [Dourisboure, Gavoille: *DM*(2007)]
- $\forall G, s, \quad \rho_s(G) \leq 2 tl(G)$ [Dourisboure, Dragan, Gavoille, Yan: *TCS*(2007)]
- $\forall G, s, \quad tb(G) - 1 \leq \rho_s(G) \leq 3 tb(G)$ [Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX*(2011)]
- $\forall G, \quad hb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq O(hb(G) \log n)$ [Chepoi, Dragan, Estellon, Habib, Vaxes: *SoCG* (2008)]
- $\forall G, s, \quad hb(G) \leq \Delta_s(G) \leq O(hb(G) \log n)$ (2008)]
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- $\forall G, \quad tl(G) \leq td(G) \leq ts(G)$ and $tb(G) \leq \lceil ts(G)/2 \rceil$ [Dragan, Köhler: *APPROX*(2011)]
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$$hb(G) \leq tl(G) \leq td(G) \leq ts(G) \leq 2tb(G) \log_2 n \leq O(hb(G) \log^2 n)$$

Thank You

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