## Navigating in a graph by aid of its spanning tree

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## Navigating in a graph

- Rules to advance in a graph from a given vertex towards a target vertex along a path close to shortest.
- Communication networks: a mechanism that can deliver packets of information from any vertex of a network to any other vertex.


## Routing from $v$ to $y$.

- A vertex $v$ needs to decide:
- If the packet has reached its destination $y$.
- And if not, to which of its neighbors $v^{*}$ forward the packet.
- Information locally available at $v$.
- Full knowledge of its neighborhood.
- A piece of global information; A sense of direction to each destination.
- Address of the destination vertex $y$.


## Routing Strategies

- Full-tables.
- For each destination $y$ the next vertex $v^{*}$ is known.
- Routing is along shortest paths.
- O(n log(A)) local memory requierement.
- Routing along shortest needs $\Omega(n \log (\Delta))$.
- Low local memory requires
- Restricted classes of graphs.
- Routing along sub-optimal paths.


## Routing Strategies

- (greedy) Geographic routing from $v$ to $y$
- $v^{*}$ is chosen as the geographically closest to $y$.
- Coordinates in the underlying physical space are known.
- No delivery guarantee (existence of lakes).


## Routing Strategies

- Virtual geographic routing in a metric space ( $X, d$ ).
- Delivery guaranted when G admits a greedy embedding:
- a function $f$ such that for every $x$ and $y$, there is a neighbor $u$ of $x$ such that $d(f(u), f(y))<d(f(x), f(y))$.
- Routing using suboptimal paths.


## Routing Strategies

## Greedy embedding in a metric space (X,d)

X a d-dimensional normed vector spaces.

- Euclidean plane: some simple graphs have not g.e.
- $d=c \log (n)$ allows greedy embedding for all graph on $n$ vertices (tight up to a mutiplicative factor).
$X$ the Hyperbolic plane.
- Every graph admits a greedy embedding.


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## Greedy routing by aid of a spanning tree

- Greedy routing by aid of a spanning tree is a virtual geographic routing in the metric space $\left(V(G), d_{T}\right)$, where $d_{T}$ is the distance defined by the spanning tree $T$ of $G$.


## Greedy routing by aid of a spanning tree

- Delivery is guarantee:
- Canonical injection is a greedy embedding.
- Full local knowledge:
- Each vertex knows its whole neighborhood.
- Global (metric) information:
- Distances in a spanning tree.


# Greedy routing by aid of a spanning tree 

- Definition: Greedy Routing Path (T-GRP)
- A path generated by greedy routing by aid of a spanning tree $T$.
- Properties:
- T-GRPs are induced paths.
- A tale of a $T-G R P$ is a $T-G R P$.


## Greedy routing by aid of a spanning tree

- Definition: Greedy length: $\operatorname{gr} r_{T}(x, y)$.
- Length of a longest T-GRP from $x$ to $y$ using tree $T$.
- Property:
- $\operatorname{gr}(v, y) \leq d_{T}(v, y)$, for every $v, y$ : Not worse than $T$.


## Carcasses

- Definition: An spanning tree $T$ is a $r$-additive carcass if

$$
g r_{T}(x, y) \leq d_{G}(x, y)+r \text {, for every pair } x \text { and } y \text {. }
$$

When $r=0$ the tree $T$ is an optimal carcass.

## Carcasses

- Theorem

The following classes of graphs admits additive r-carcass.

- Chordal bipartite graphs: $r=4$.
- 3-sun-free chordal graphs: $r=4$.
- Chordal graphs:
- $r=w(G)+1, w(G)$ size of the maximum clique of $G$.
- In particular, $k$-trees: $r=k+2$.


## Carcasses

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The following classes of graphs admits an optimal carcass.

- Distance-hereditary graphs.
- Grids.
- Hypecubes.
- Dually chordal.


## Distance Hereditary graphs

## Theorem

Every spanning tree is an optimal carcass for a distance hereditary graph G.

Proof

- In G every induced path is a shortest path.
- GRPs are induced paths.


## Grids

## Two special Hamiltonian paths



By columns


By rows

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Theorem: row and column Hamiltonian paths are optimal carcasses for a grid.

Proof (Row Hamiltonian path)
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## Dually chordal graphs and locally connected spanning trees

Definition: A graph is dually chordal if it is the intersection graph of maximal cliques of a chordal graph.

Theorem: A graph is dually chordal if and only if it admits a locally connected spanning tree.

Corollary: Dually chordal graphs admit optimal carcass.

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## THANKS!

