### Graph Reconstruction via Distance Oracles

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- Hidden: G = (V, E)
- QUERY oracle:  $\{u, v\} \mapsto \text{distance } d_{uv}$
- Output E
- Complexity: # queries

traceroute(n,k):  $n - \star - \star - \star - k$ traceroute(f,m):  $f - \star - \star - m$  O(n<sup>2</sup>) algorithm: Query every {u, v}. Output {{u, v} : d<sub>uv</sub> = 1}
Ω(n<sup>2</sup>) lower bound [Reyzin Srivastava 07]



- Randomized  $\tilde{O}(n^2/f)$  algorithm for approximate reconstruction:  $\widehat{d_{uv}} \leq d_{uv} \leq f \cdot \widehat{d_{uv}}$ , for every u and v
- $\Omega(n^2/f)$  lower bound for approximate reconstruction

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# Graphs of bounded degree: $\tilde{O}(n\sqrt{n})$ algorithm

- A : set of centers
- $D_a$ : region associated to  $a \in A$ including  $Voronoi_A(a)$
- Goal :  $\bigcup_A G[D_a]$  covers E



- **O** Construct A of expected size  $O(\sqrt{n})$  such that  $\max_A |D_a| = O(\sqrt{n})$
- **2** For every  $a \in A$ , reconstruct  $G[D_a]$  by querying  $D_a \times D_a$
- **③** Return  $\bigcup_a G[D_a]$

# Graphs of bounded degree: $\tilde{O}(n\sqrt{n})$ algorithm

Definition: 
$$D_a = \bigcup_b Voronoi_{A \cup \{b\}}(b)$$
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 $\uparrow$   
*a*, neighbor of *a*, or neighbor of neighbor of *a*

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Lemma: \bigcup_A G[D_a] covers E.
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- **③** Return  $\bigcup_{a} G[D_{a}]$

Idea [Thorup Zwick 2001]: keep adding to A random vertices b such that  $|Voronoi_{A\cup\{b\}}(b)| \ge \sqrt{n}$ , until every vertex b of V has  $|Voronoi_{A\cup\{b\}}(b)| < \sqrt{n}$ 

Invariant: if  $b \notin L$  then  $|Voronoi_{A \cup \{b\}}(b)| < \sqrt{n}$ 

- $A \leftarrow \emptyset$  and  $L \leftarrow V$
- While  $L \neq \emptyset$ :
  - $R \leftarrow \text{sample from } L \text{ of size } \tilde{O}(\sqrt{n})$
  - add R to A and query R imes V
  - for every  $b \in L$ , estimate  $|Voronoi_{A \cup \{b\}}(b)|$  using  $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{n})$  queries
  - remove from L vertices with estimates less than  $\sqrt{n}/10$

Query complexity:  $(\#iterations) \times \tilde{O}(n\sqrt{n}) = \tilde{O}(n\sqrt{n})$ 

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### An outerplanar graph



# Outerplanar graphs of bounded degree: $\tilde{O}(n)$ algorithm

- Use a well-chosen node x to decompose V into components
- If a component has size > 0.99n, decompose it into subcomponents
- 8 Recurse on each piece



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#### Main Algorithm

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# Why no subcomponent is huge (> 0.99n)?

Definition: x is well-chosen if at least  $0.02n^2$  u-to-v shortest paths go through x.

Lemma: If x is well-chosen then no subcomponent is huge.



 $ilde{O}(n)$  queries for decomposition, then divide-and-conquer. Above lemma  $\implies ilde{O}(n)$  queries overall

# How do we find a well-chosen vertex in $\tilde{O}(n)$ queries?

Definition: x is well-chosen if at least  $0.02n^2$  *u*-to-*v* shortest paths go through x.

Fact: There exists some well-chosen vertex.

#### Algorithm to find a well-chosen vertex

- $R \leftarrow \text{sample of } \log(n) \text{ pairs } (u, v) \text{ from } V^2$
- For each  $(u, v) \in R$ , compute the *u*-to-*v* shortest paths
- Select the vertex that belongs to the most shortest paths

# Thank you!