

Shorter Labeling Schemes for Planar Graphs

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Representation of a Graph



adjacency list

1	2,5
2	1,3
3	2,4,5
4	3
5	1,3

matrix

	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	1	0	0	1
2	1	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	0	1	1
4	0	0	1	0	0
5	1	0	1	0	0

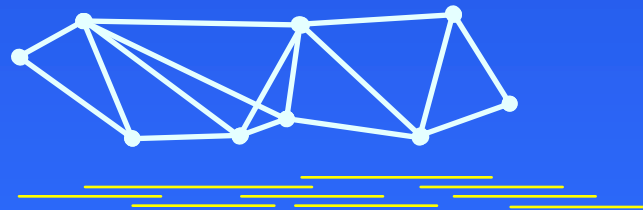
1 node = 1 pointer in the data-structure
(it does not carry any specific information)

Implicit Representation

To associate with the nodes more information, typically adjacency, and to remove the data-structure.

Interval graphs: $u \mapsto I(u) \subseteq [1, 2n]$

Edges: $u-v \Leftrightarrow I(u) \cap I(v) \neq \emptyset$



Compact representation: $O(\log n)$ bits/node

Possibly time $O(n)$ algorithms vs. $O(n+m)$

Labeling Schemes

P = a graph property defined on pairs of nodes

F = a graph family

A P -labeling scheme for F is a pair (λ, f) such that $\forall G \in F, \forall u, v \in V(G)$:

- [labeling] $\lambda(u, G)$ is a binary string
- [decoder] $f(\lambda(u, G), \lambda(v, G)) = P(u, v, G)$

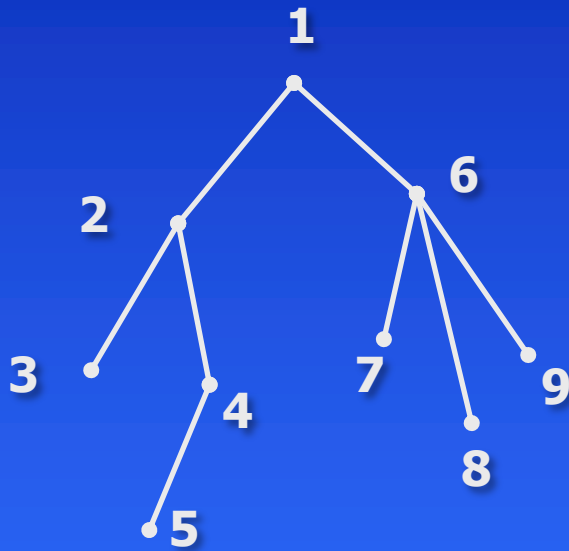
Goal: to minimize the maximum label size

In this talk: $P(u, v, G)$ is TRUE $\Leftrightarrow uv \in E(G)$

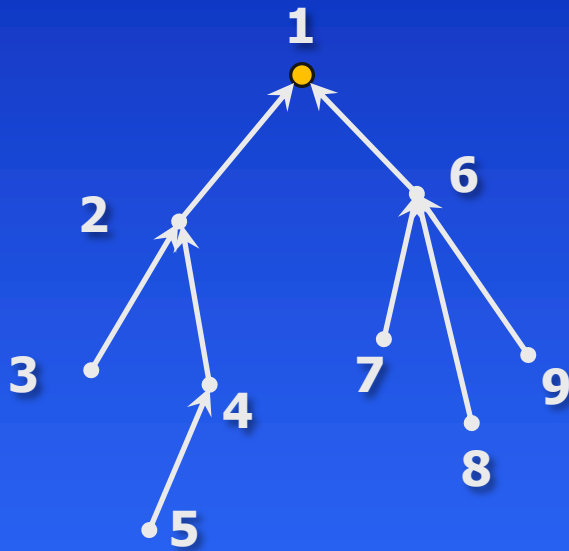
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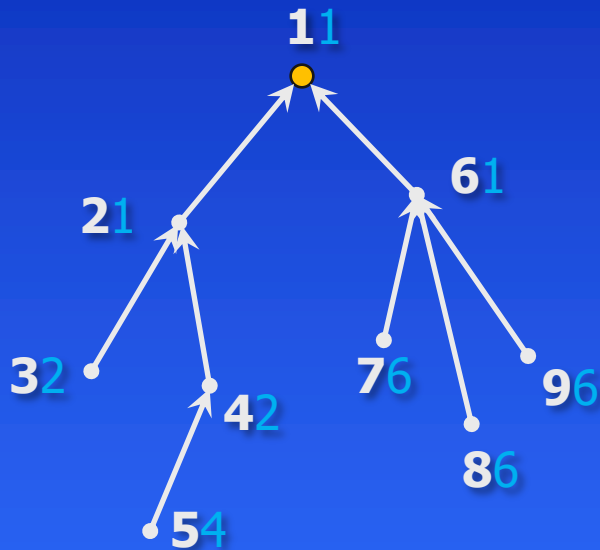
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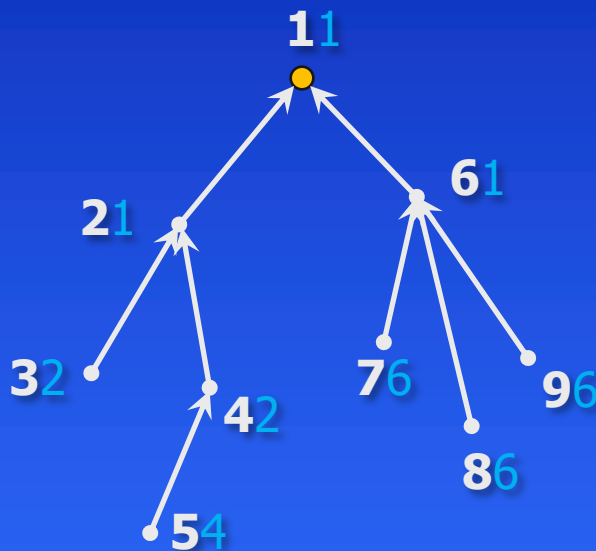
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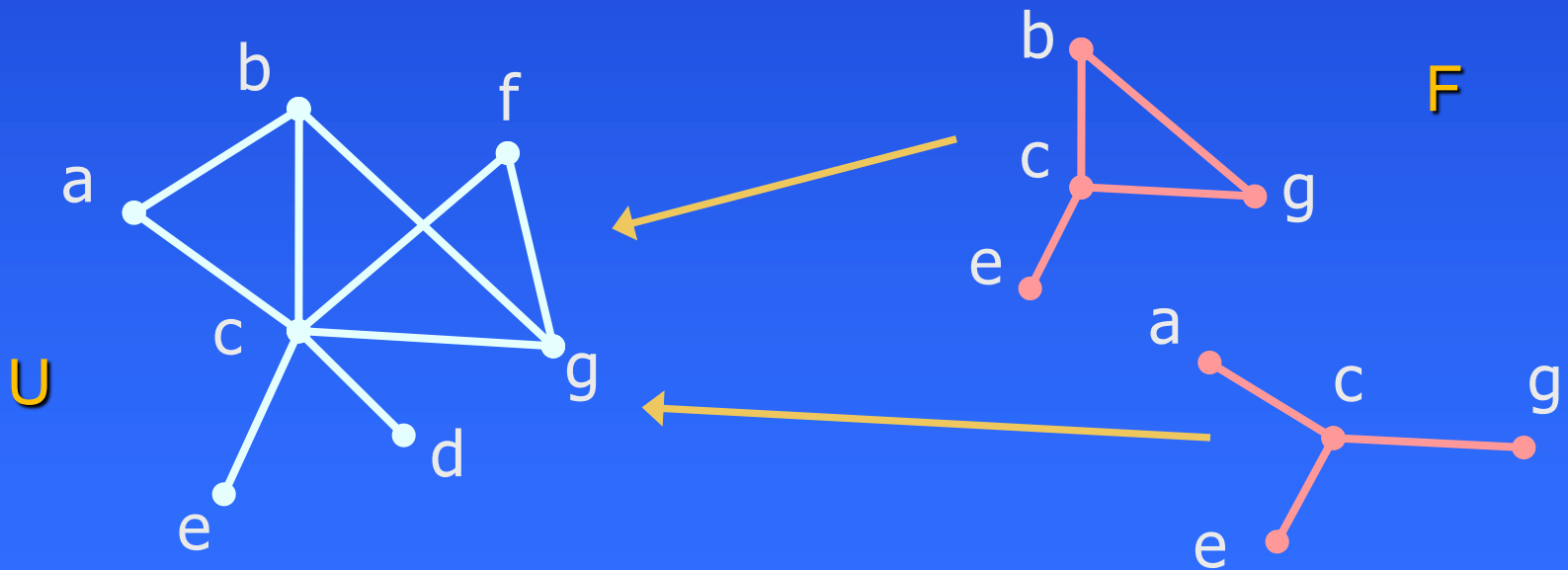
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For trees with n nodes: $\sim 2 \log n$ bits/node
(the constant does matter [Abiteboul et al. - SICOMP '06])

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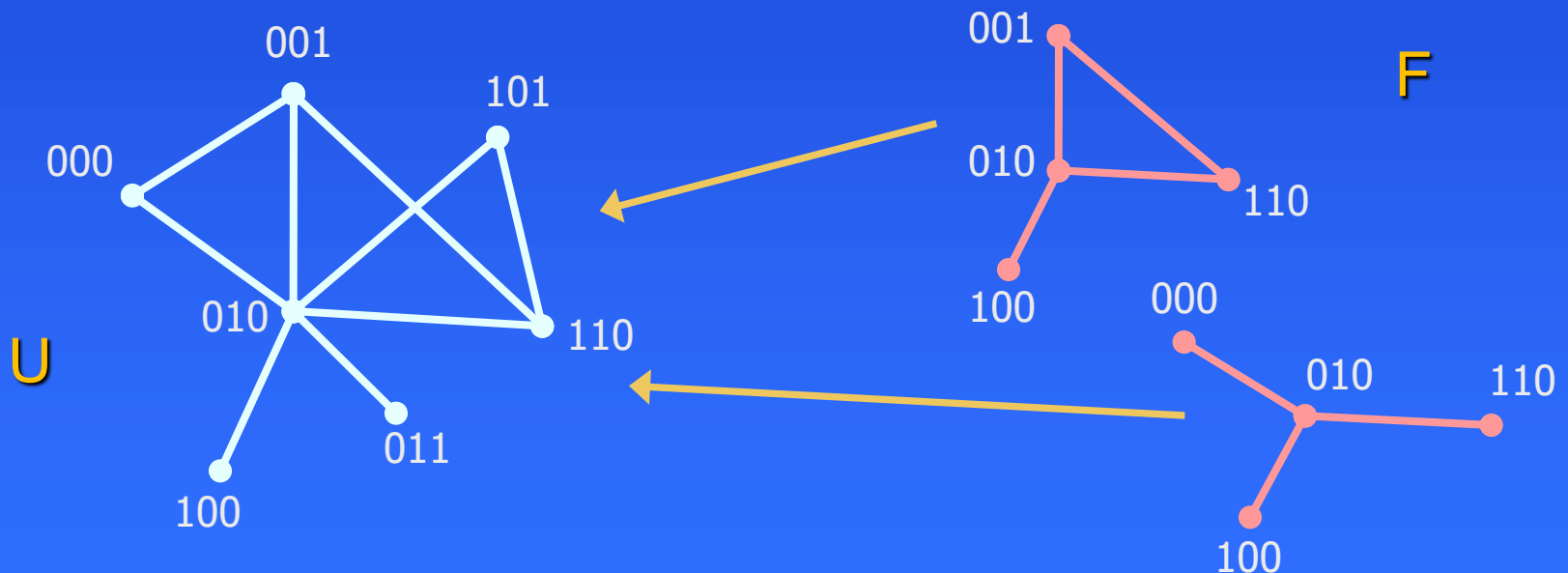
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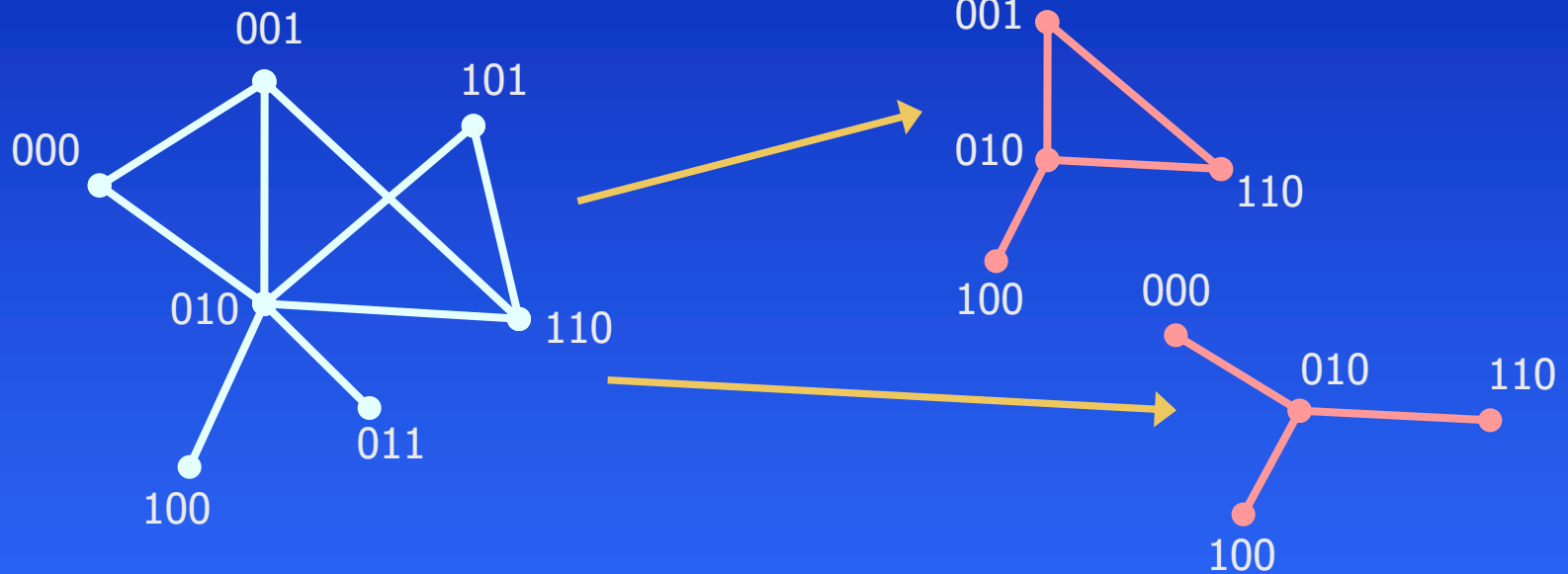
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induced-universal graph U

graphs of F

$c \log n$ -bit labeling \Leftrightarrow induced-universal graph of n^c nodes

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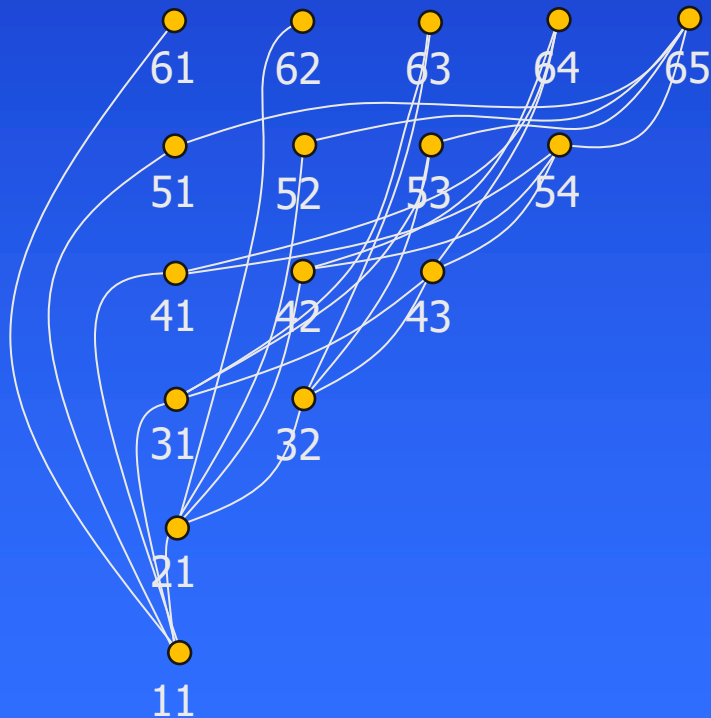
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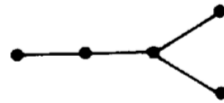
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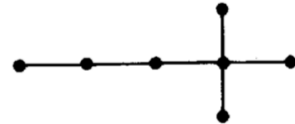
$n = 2$:



$n = 3$:



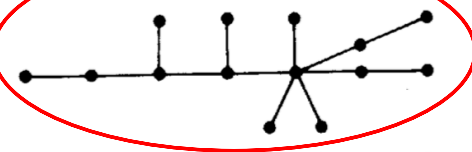
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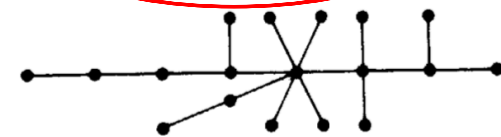
$n = 5$:



$n = 6$:



$n = 7$:



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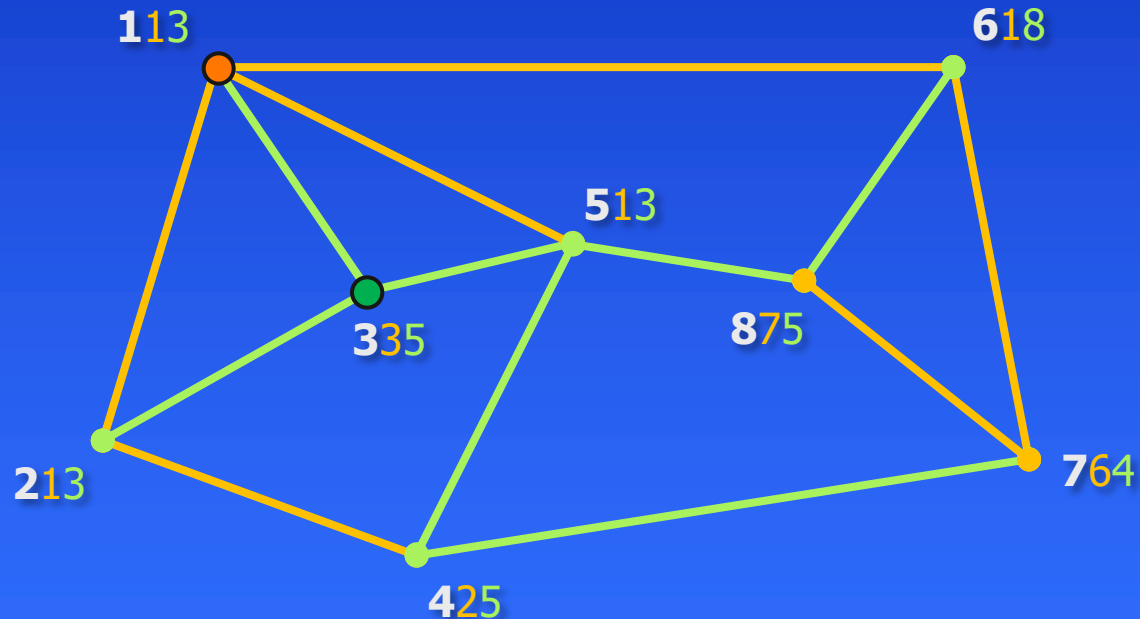
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14 nodes

Labeling Schemes for Planar Graphs

Edge partition: combining schemes



Arboricity- k graphs: $(k+1)\log n$ bits

\Rightarrow Planar ($k=3$): **4** $\log n$ bits [KNR - STOC'88]

Better Labeling Schemes

For trees: $\log n + O(\log^* n)$, $\log n + O(1)$

[Alstrup,Rauhe – FOCS'02]

[Alstrup,Dahlgaard,B.T.Knudsen – FOCS'15 & JACM'17]

⇒ Arboricity- k : $k \log n + O(1)$

⇒ Planar: **3** $\log n + O(1)$

For treewidth- k : $\log n + O(k \log \log n)$

[G.,Labourel – ESA'07]

⇒ Planar & Minor-free: **2** $\log n + O(\log \log n)$

A New Bound

For planar & bounded genus: $\frac{4}{3} \log n + O(\log \log n)$

⇒

**Induced-universal graph of $n^{4/3+o(1)}$
nodes for n -node planar graphs
(and bounded genus graphs)**

Labeling the nodes is polynomial
Decoding adjacency takes constant time

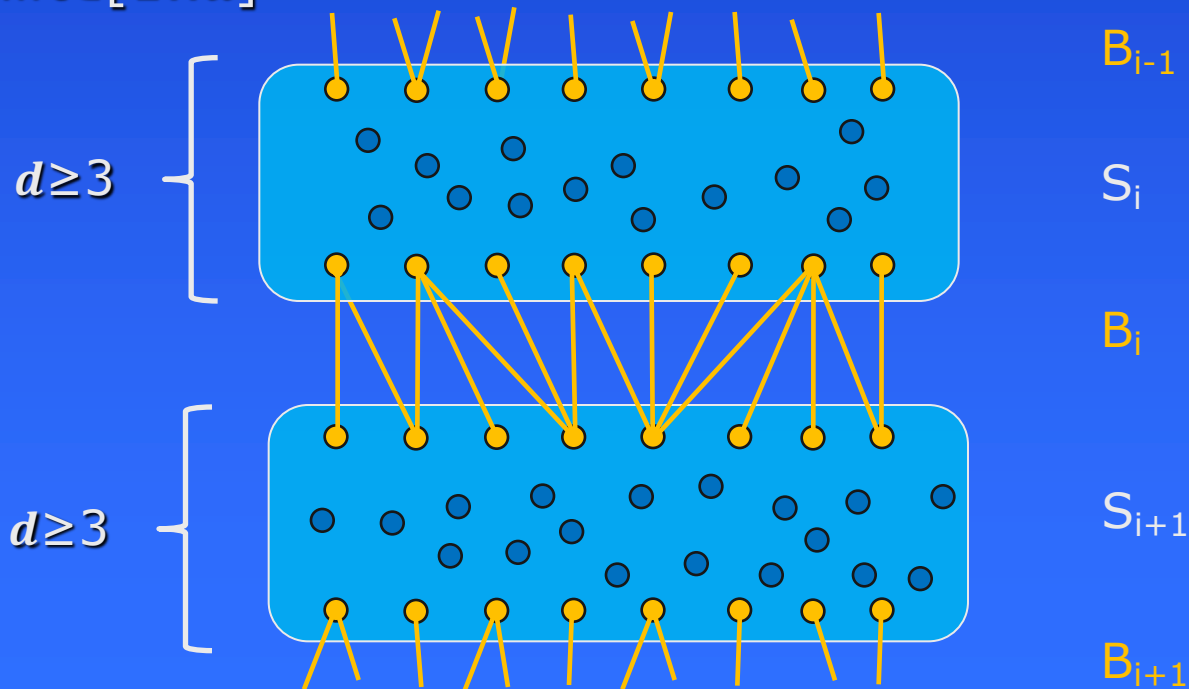
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Edge partition: $G = S \cup B$ (Strips & Border)

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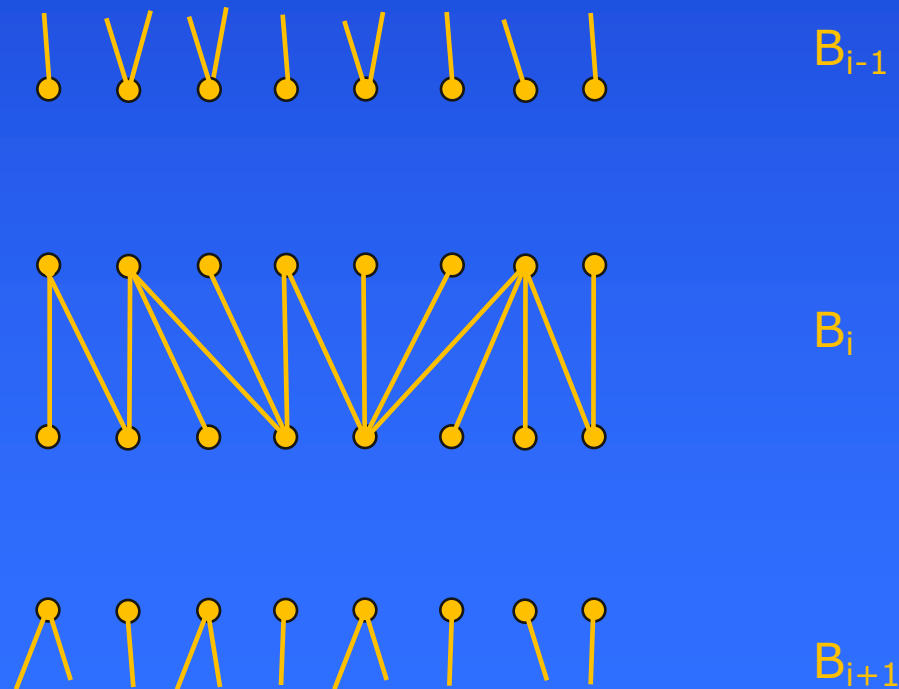
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Sketch of Proof (2/2)

Labeling for B: $\log(n/d)$



Labeling for S: $\log n + \log d$

new!

[up to $+O(\log \log n)$ terms]

Problem: nodes in $V(B)$ pay both labels

$\Rightarrow \log(n/d) + \log n + \log d = 2 \log n$ ☹️

Improved labeling for S: nodes in $V(B)$ pay only $\log |B| = \log(n/d)$ bits!

\Rightarrow nodes in $S \setminus V(B)$: $\log n + \log d = \frac{4}{3} \log n$ 😊

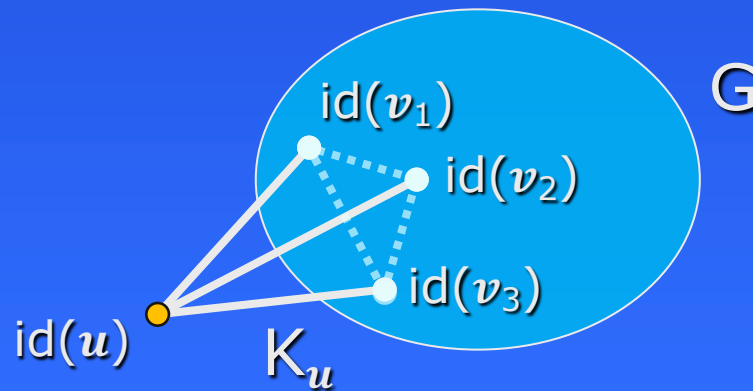
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Improved Scheme for Treewidth- k

$G = \text{treewidth-}k$, $V(G) = V_1 \cup V_2$, $K_u = N[u] =$ simplicial complex of u , $|K_u| \leq k+1$.

Lemma. G has a scheme providing, for each u , $\text{id}(u)$ and $\lambda(u)$ st. $\forall v \in K_u$ $\text{id}(v)$ can be extracted from $\lambda(u)$. Moreover, for $u \in V_i$

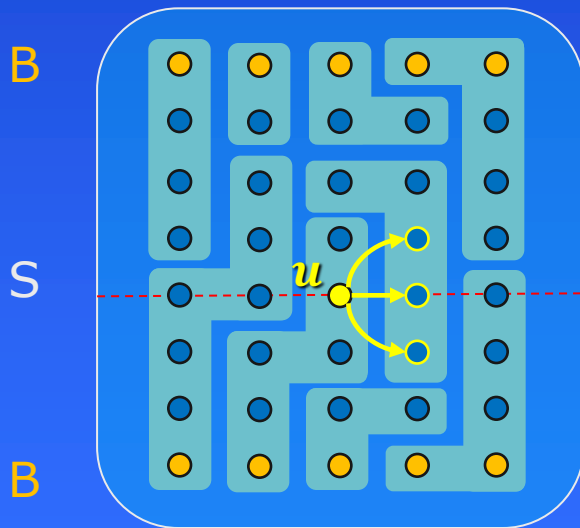
$$|\lambda(u)| = \log |V_i| + O(k \log \log |V(G)|).$$



$$u-v \Leftrightarrow \text{id}(v) \in \{\text{id}(K_u)\} \text{ or } \text{id}(u) \in \{\text{id}(K_v)\}$$

Labeling Scheme for S

Key lemma. [2018,2019] If G is planar, there is a node partition into monotone paths taken from any given BFS such that contracting each one leads to a treewidth-8 graph.



Label $\lambda(u)$ consists of:

- the treewidth-8 scheme
- the depth of u in S (unless $u \in B$)
- 3 bits/path in the treewidth-8 scheme, i.e., $3 \times 8 = 24$ extra bits

[Extend to genus- g graphs]

Open Problems

1. Improve to $c \log n$ with $c < 4/3$ for planar
2. Extend to minor-free graphs
3. Improve to $\log n + \theta(k)$ for treewidth- k
4. Prove lower bounds for planar or minor-free

Best lower bound for planar: $\log n + \Omega(1)$ 😞

No hereditary family with $n! 2^{O(n)}$ labeled graphs (trees, planar, bounded genus, bounded treewidth, minor-free ...) is known to require labels of $\log n + \omega(1)$ bits.



THANK YOU!