# An Overview on Compact Routing <br> (in Discrete Domains) 

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Question: for a given family of graphs, find routing schemes with best space-stretch trade-off

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Other variants: random labeling, coordinate labeling based (geometric), ...

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Rem 1: All previous lower bounds for labeled case (Peleg, Upfal / G.,Pérennès / G., Gengler / Kranakis,Krizanc / Thorup,Zwick) are based on the construction of dense large girth graphs

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Erdös-Simonovits Conjecture: $\exists$ graph of girth $2 k+2$ with $\Omega\left(n^{1+1 / k}\right)$ edges (proved only for $k=1,2,3,5$ ). So, the extra $(\log n)^{1 / k}$ term cannot be obtained with a girth approach.

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Rem 2: It makes a clear separation between labeled and nameindependent routing, at least for the average stretch.

In the labelel model, schemes with polylog( $n$ ) space and constant average stretch do exsit for every graph! [Abraham, Bartal, Chan, Gupta, Kleinberg et al. (FOCS'05)]
In the name-indep model, if space is $\operatorname{polylog}(n)$, then the average stretch must be $\Omega(\log n / \log \log n)$ for some graphs.

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Rem: $\operatorname{dist}(u, v)+\operatorname{dist}(v, u)$ is now a distance function

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## [Roditty,Thorup,Zwick - SODA '02]

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[Arias, Cowen,Laing - PODC '03]

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