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# Operations Research

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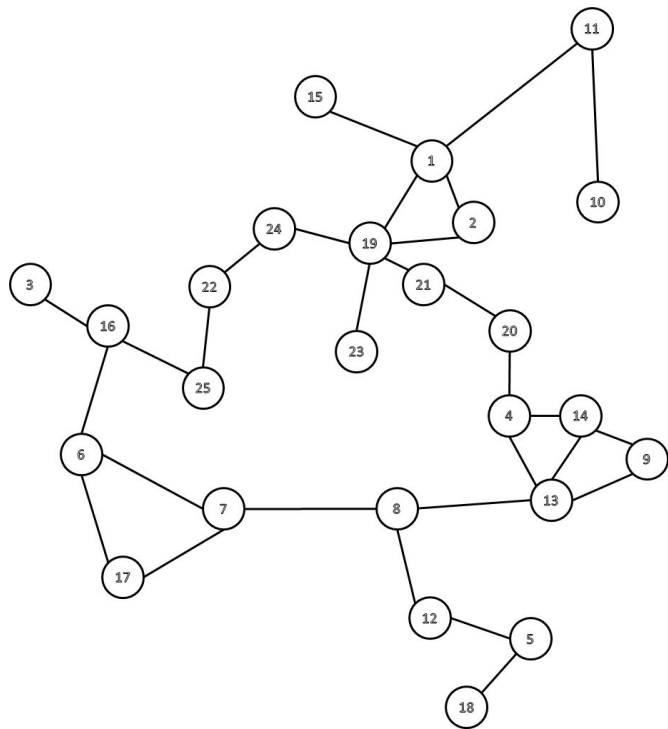
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# Agenda

- Research Topics
  - Traditional Allocation Problem
  - Allocation with connection : Articulation Point
- Operations Research (How we do it)
  - Data Input & Result Overview
  - Tarjan's Algorithm and Dilemmas
  - Improving the Model : Optimization Limit
  - Steps
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    - Iteration & Solution
- Takeaway : Future Thoughts to Generalize Model

# Traditional Allocation Problem



## Consider a City Network :

## How to build a logistic center plan?

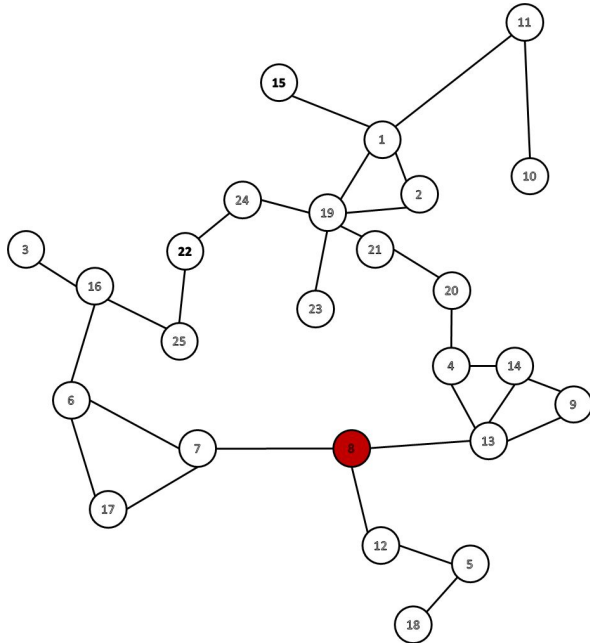
$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j \in N} \text{expected profit} - \text{costs under the plan} \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \text{Center Number} \leq \delta \\ & \text{Longest Distance} \leq \beta ; \forall \text{ every center} \\ & \vdots \\ & \vdots \\ & \text{Other Constraints ...} \end{aligned}$$



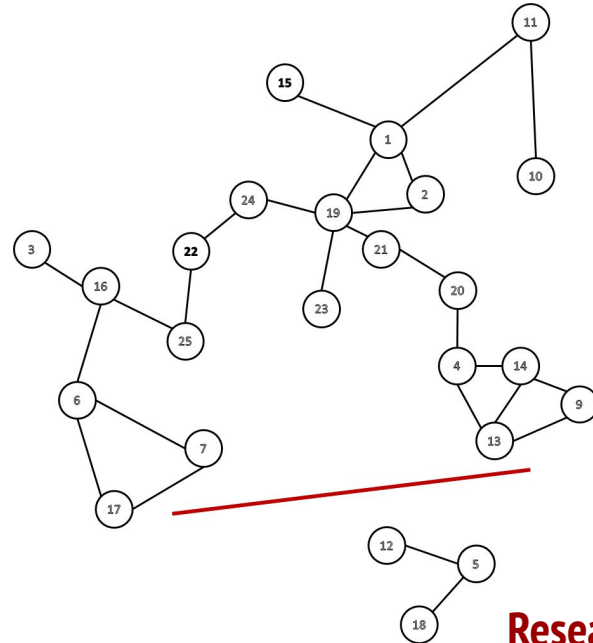
**Imagine a war is approaching....**

# Connections are first to consider

- Circles represent cities.
- Lines represent roads connecting cities.

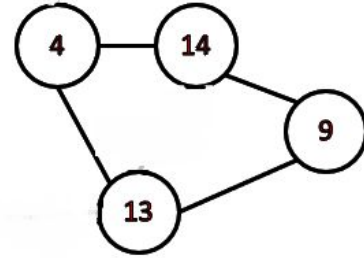
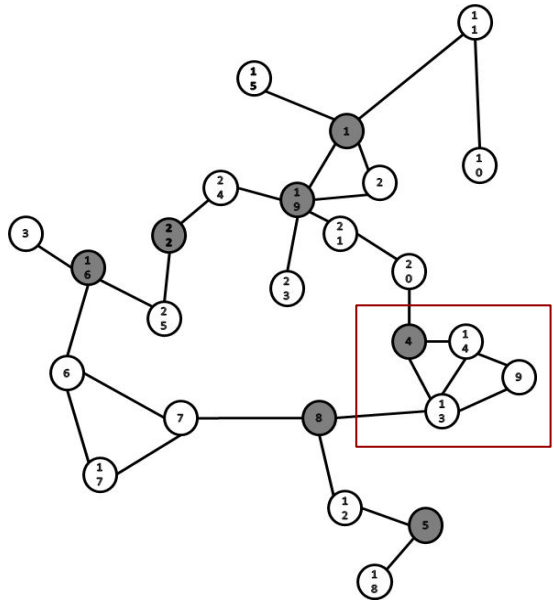


Articulation Point



# However we can't take all cities once because...

- **Capabilities** : We cannot build/explode in as many cities as we want



Stop when encountering cycle

# Research Goal

- Finding the articulation points, each with its own benefits defined by:
  - How many pieces it breaks the original graph?
  - How many total distance it can create?
- This is a **graph theory (a branch of operations research)** with **iterative searching solutions (DFS or BFS)** since whether the point is an articulation point will only be given at that state, we must iterate to find the optimization solution.

## Related fields [\[ edit \]](#)

Some of the fields that have considerable overlap with Operations Research and Management Science include<sup>[32]</sup>:

- |                                     |  |                              |
|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| • Business analytics                | • Forecasting                              | • Mathematical modeling      |
| • Data mining/Data science/Big data | • Game theory                              | • Mathematical optimization  |
| • Decision analysis                 | • Geography/Geographic information science | • Probability and statistics |
| • <b>Decision intelligence</b>      | • <b>Graph theory</b>                      | • Project management         |
| • Engineering                       | • Industrial engineering                   | • Policy analysis            |
| • Financial engineering             | • Logistics                                | • Simulation                 |

Source: wikipedia

# Data Overview

- Total number of cities : **25**
- Adjacency Matrix : **25\*25**
- Distance Matrix : **25\*25**
- Cost for each explode :  $\lambda$
- Maximum Explosion : 10

**Objective Function :**

**Pieces Number \* Total Distance**

- Connections

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# Mathematics Formulation

- Objective Function and Constraints

$$\max \sum_t (P_{tj} * D_{tj}) \quad t \in T, j \in \text{length}(A_t)$$

$$\text{s.t. } A_t = B(S(A_{t-1})) ; \forall t = 2, \dots, T$$

$$A_1 = B(G)$$

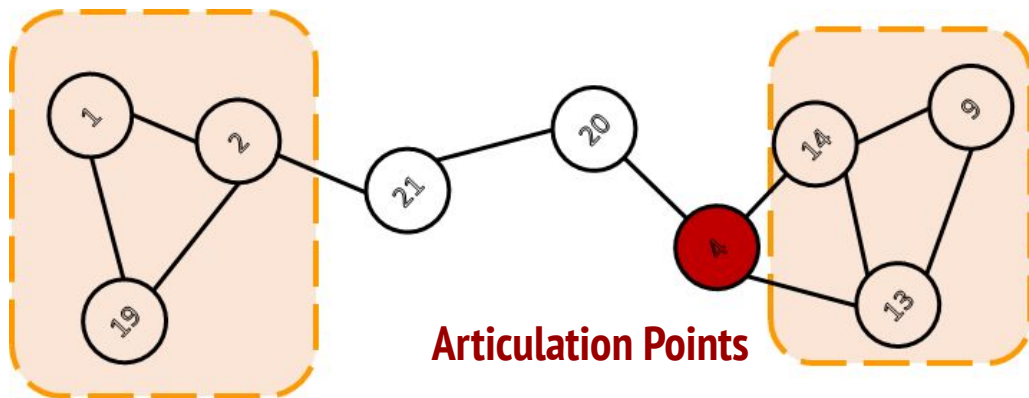
$$0 < t \leq T$$

$$j \in A_t$$

- $t$  = current level
- $A_t$  = articulation set at  $t$
- $j \in \{1, \dots, 25\}$ , index
- $S(A)$  = a function that generates subplots from the given articulation points
- $B(\text{Fragment})$  = a function that finds all articulation points
- $P_{tj}$  = number of pieces of articulation  $j$  at level  $t$
- $D_{tj}$  = total distance an articulation  $j$  at level  $t$
- $G$  = original graph
- $T$  = maximum iterations

# Articulation Points & Biconnected Components

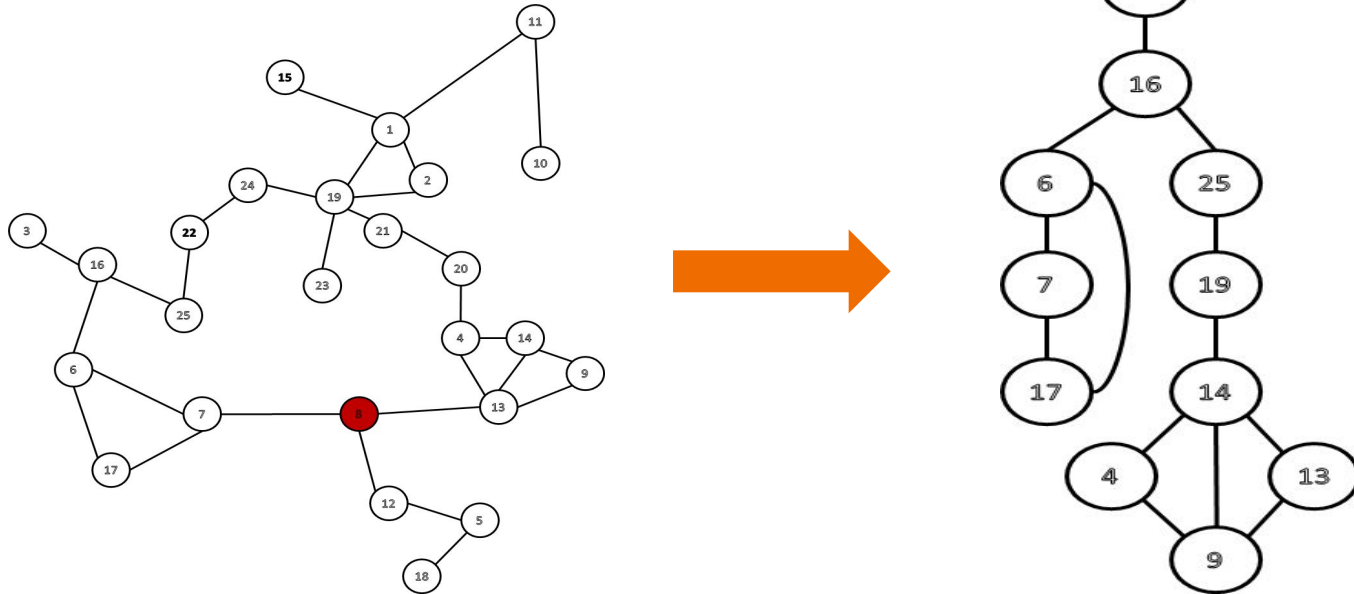
- Articulation Point disconnects an undirected graph
- Biconnected Component does not generate articulation points



**Biconnected  
Component**

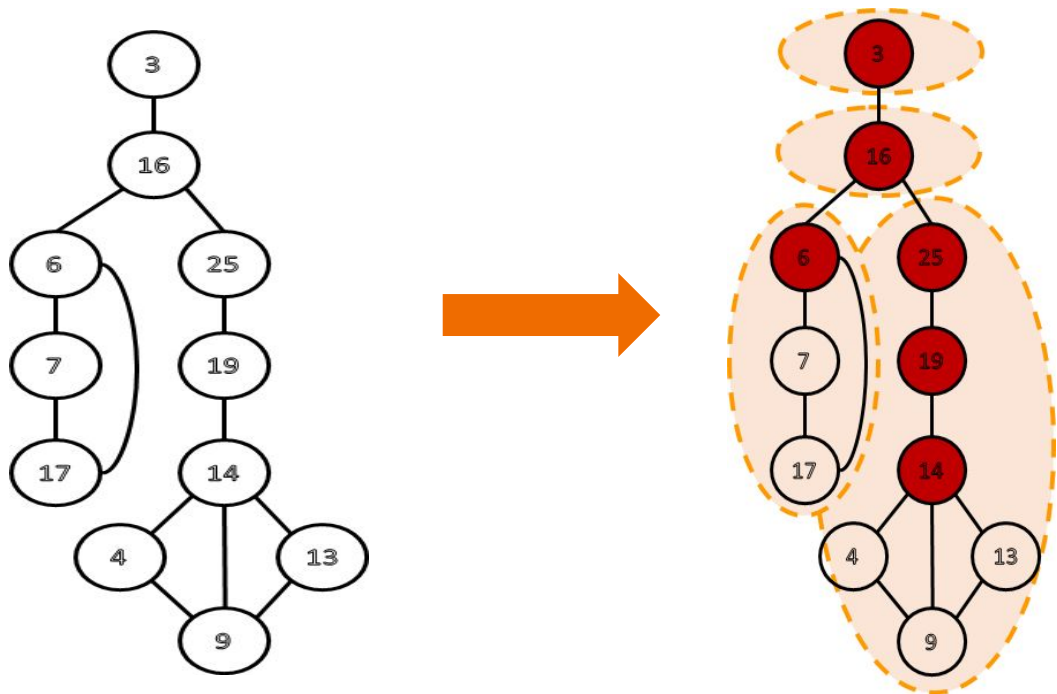
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- The algorithm is to find all **Biconnected Components** and thus we have all the **Articulation Points**



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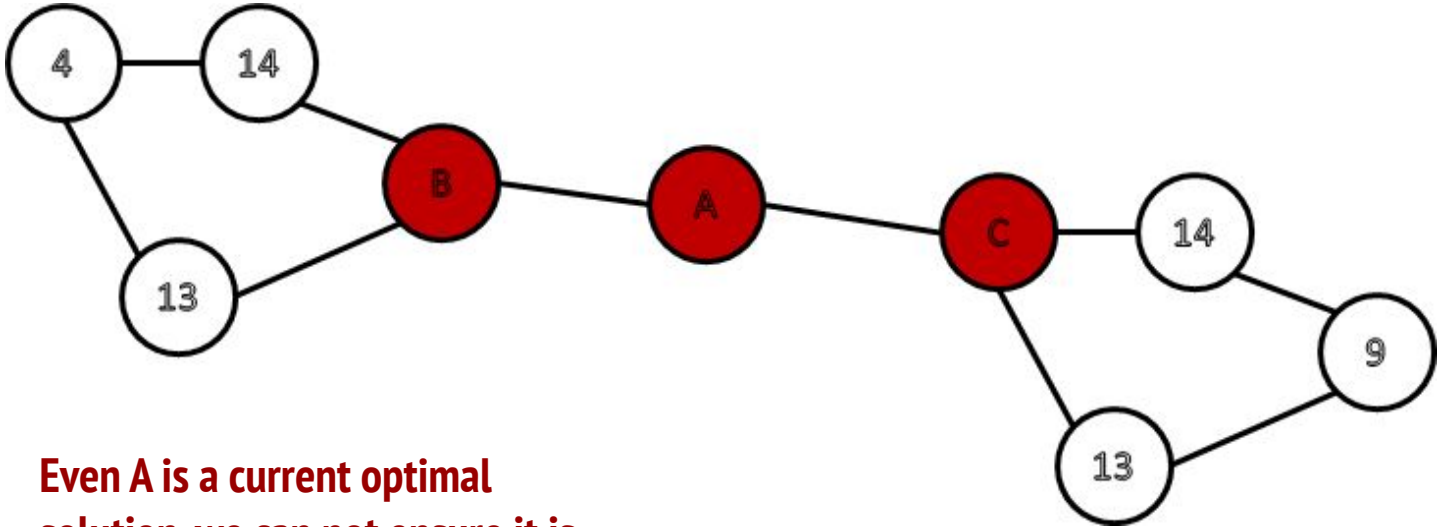
- Step 2 : DFS each point and find highest ancestor for each point



If the ancestor of a point is itself, it's a biconnected component

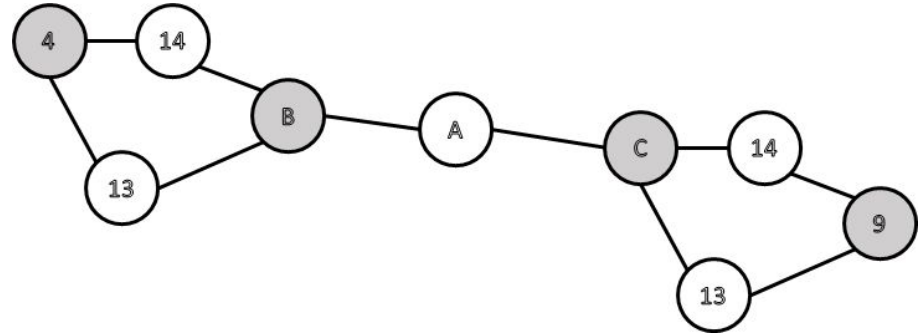
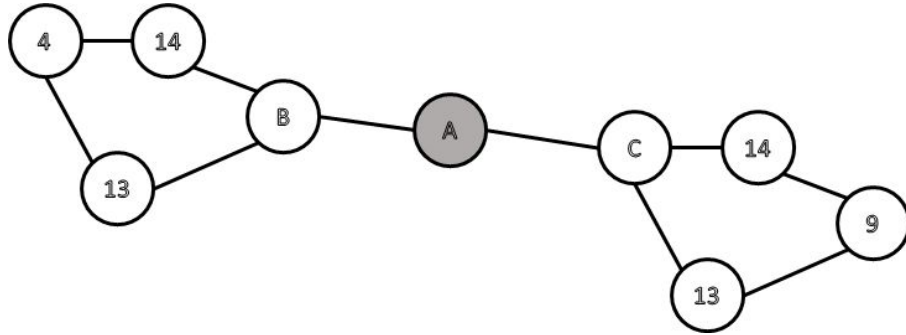
The overlapping part of each BCC is an articulation point

# Algorithm Dilemma : Not optimization solution



Even A is a current optimal solution, we can not ensure it is also a global solution.

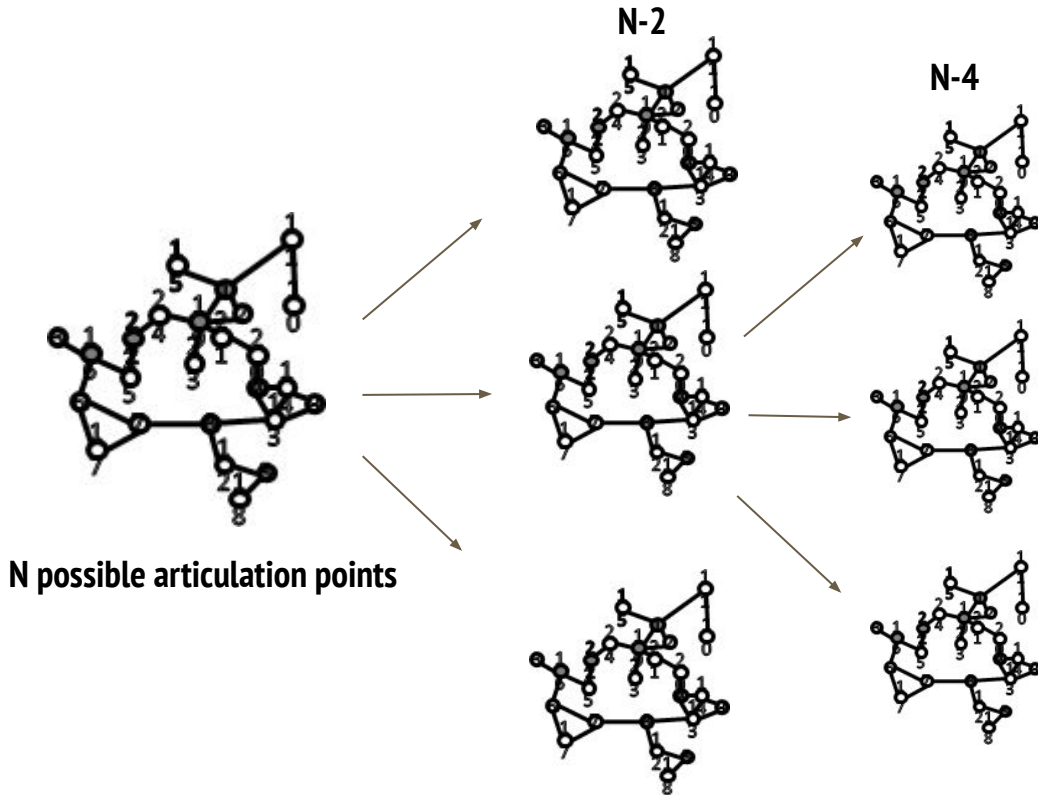
# Algorithm Dilemma : Not optimization solution



No one knows which division is better considered pieces and distance

➡ Iteration Solutions

# Another Dilemma : Is it solvable?



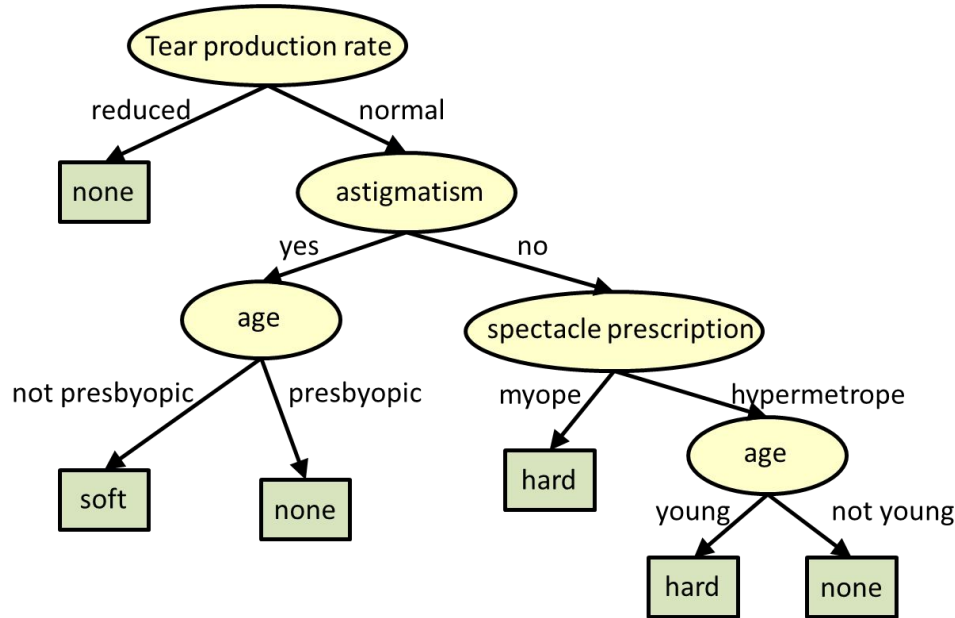
Time Complexity?

$$2N * (2n - 2) * \dots 2 = O(2^n n!)$$



... TSP only  $O(n!)$

# Improving Model : Tree-model Adjustment



**Solving This is Like a Decision Tree**

- **Max Depth** : Stop if tree depth larger than this number (we can launch infinite missiles)
- **Min Leaf Split** : Do not accept the solution if profit less than this number (cost of each launch)
- **Tolerance** : If profit increase less than this number, stop generating new solution (cost of each launch)

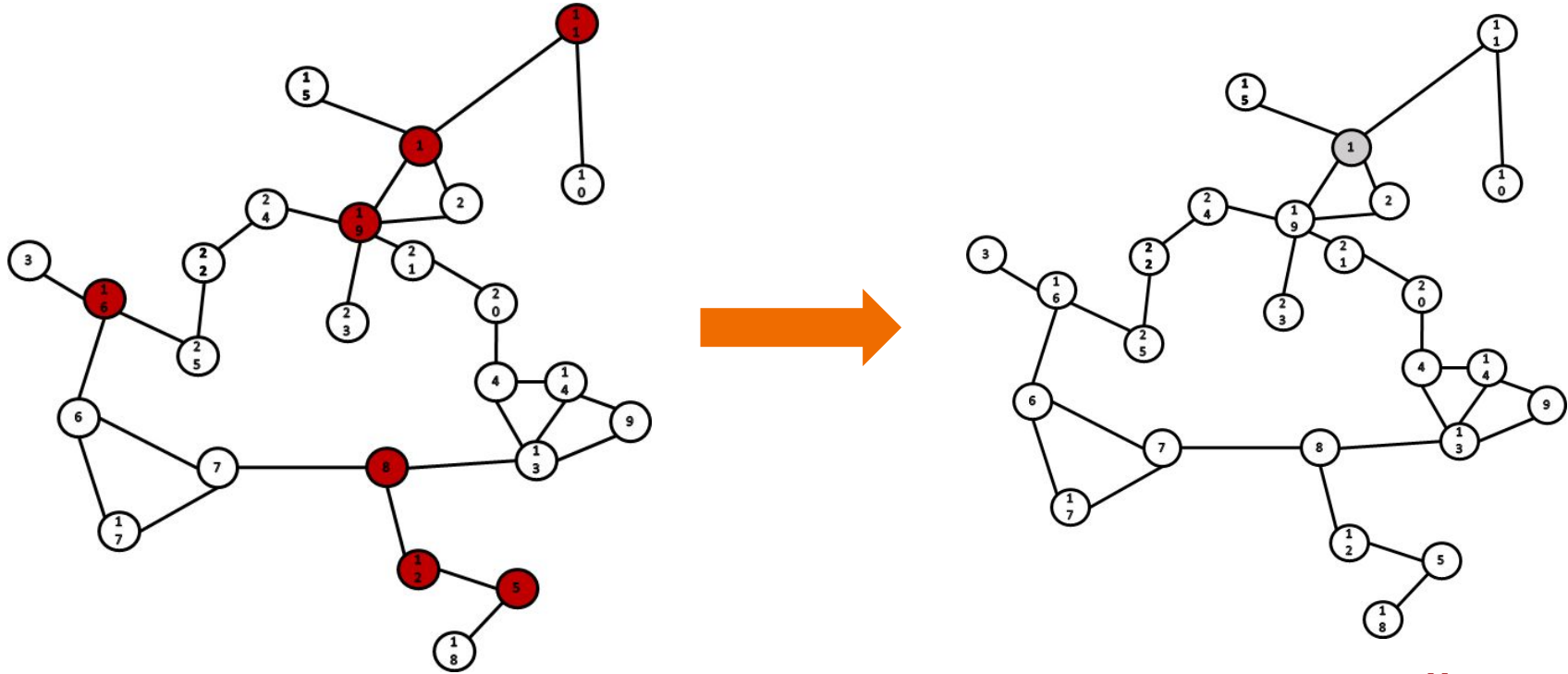
**Solvable when data is small but not satisfying**



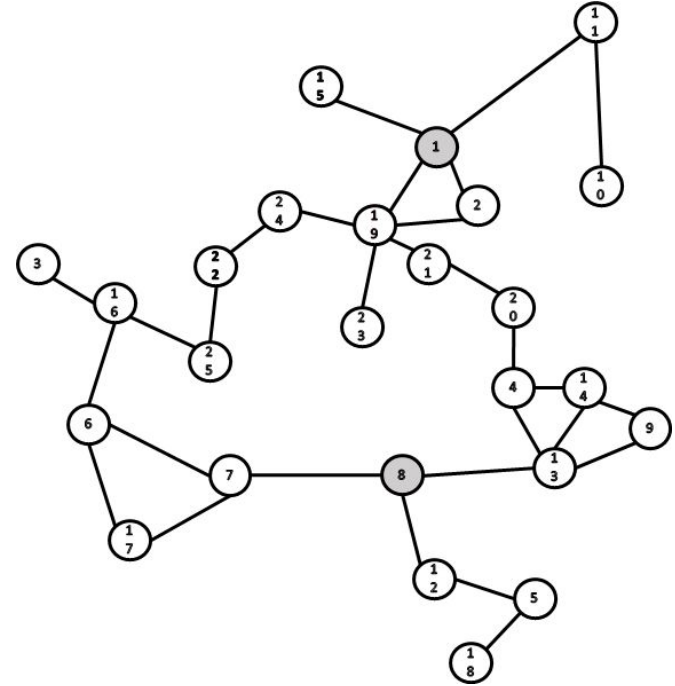
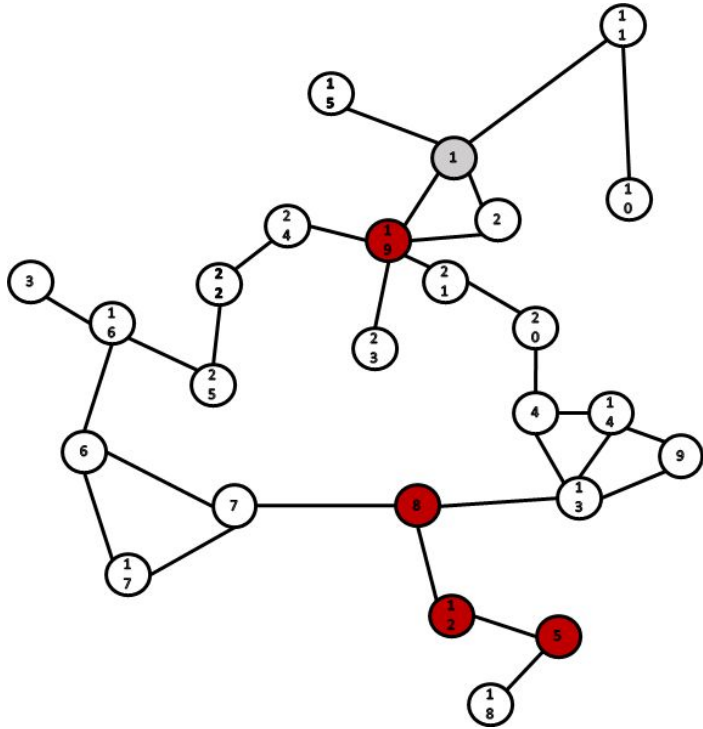
# Steps : Virtual Code

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void CityPlanning (adj matrix : graph, distance) {  
    /* Articulation Set = [Articulation Point, Sub_graph, Layer] */  
    Articulation_Set = Get_articulation_points(graph);  
    while Articulation_Set not empty { /* BFS Find Solution */  
        sub_graph = Articulation Set.top()[1];  
        solution_set = Get_articulation_points(sub_graph);  
        Articulation_Set.pop() ; Articulation Set.push(solution set)  
    }  
}
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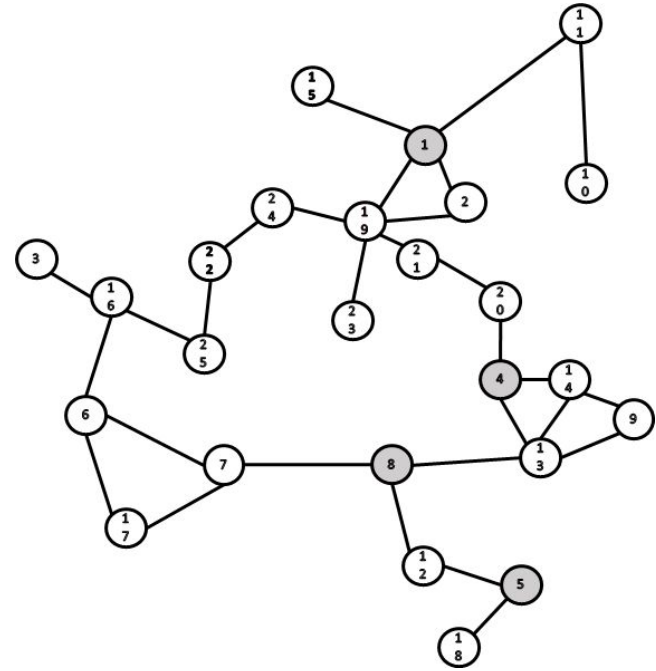
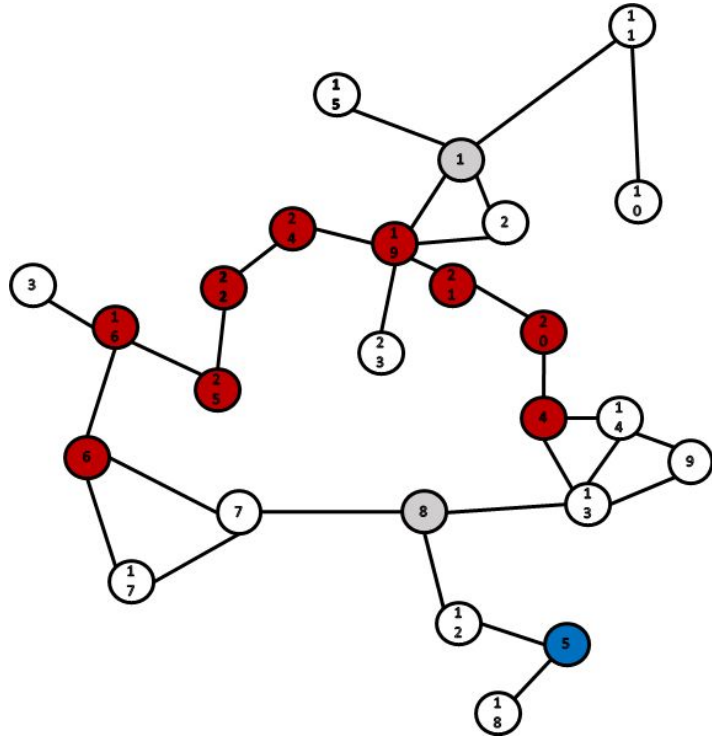
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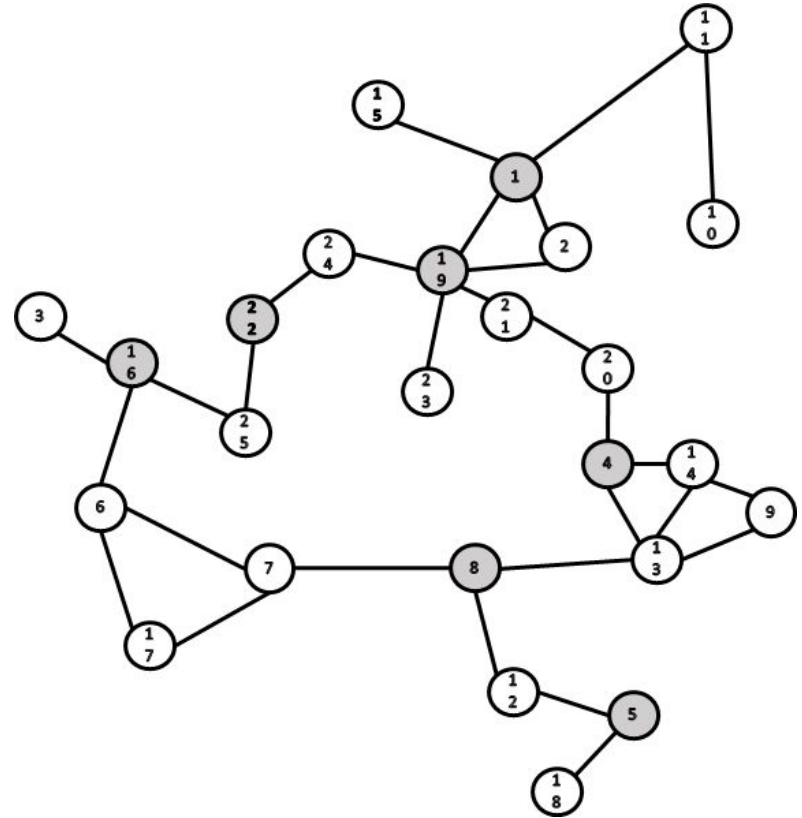


# Steps : Visualization



# Solution Interpretation

- Order : [1, 8, 19, 5, 4, 14, 20]
- Total Profit : 32714
- Interpretation : We follow the order to explode each city, and we do not run out all of our missiles because launching eighth missiles do not benefit in our planning.



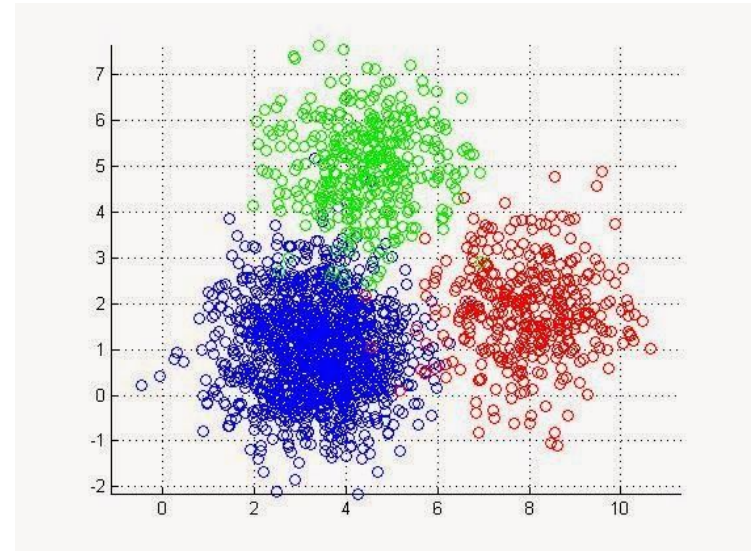
# Takeaway : Future Improvement

- The model is not generalized enough, especially for big data
- Idea of the planning is like K-Means, which have :

$$l(G_1, \dots, G_n) = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i \in G_j} \|x_i - \mu_j\|_2^2$$

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^k G_j = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}; G_j \cap G_{j'} = \phi$$

$$\mu_j = \frac{1}{|G_j|} \sum_{i \in G_j} x_i$$



# Takeaway : Apply Community Detection

- A Community is a subgraph that contains nodes more densely linked

$$Q = \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \left( \frac{l_c}{m} - \left( \frac{D_c}{2m} \right)^2 \right)$$

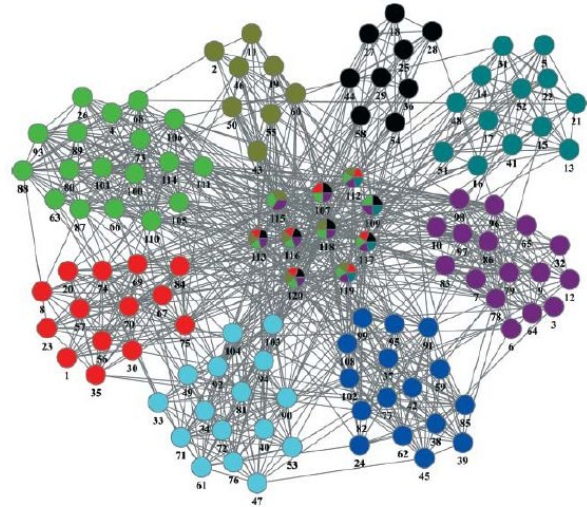
$m$  = number of edges

$l_c$  = number of edges in community  $c$

$D_c$  = sum of degree of all vertex in community

By BMLPA Algorithm, it could  
be done in  $O(n \log n)$

overlapping communities



# Takeaway : Simulated Annealing (Other Searching)

- SA algorithm can somewhat improve the TSP dilemma.

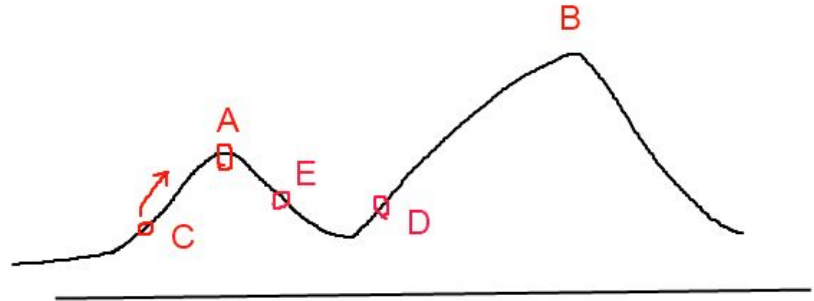
Accept new state by a specific probability (not definitely optimized solution)

if  $\Delta E > 0$  :

*Accept new state*

else :

*Accept by probability  $e^{\frac{\Delta E}{T}}$*



More possible searching methods



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# Thank You!

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