

# A fully dynamic graph algorithm for recognizing proper interval graphs

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## Abstract

We present a fully dynamic graph algorithm to recognize proper interval graphs that runs in  $O(\log n)$  worst case time per edge update, where  $n$  is the number of vertices in the graph. The algorithm also maintains the connected components and supports connectivity queries in  $O(\log n)$  time.

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Dynamic graph algorithms

A dynamic graph algorithm maintains a solution to a graph problem as the graph undergoes a series of small changes, such as single edge deletions or insertions. For every change, the algorithm updates the solution faster than recomputing the solution from scratch, i.e., with no previously computed information. Typically, a dynamic graph algorithm has a preprocessing step to compute a solution for the initial graph, along with some auxiliary information. For example, the World Wide Web may be modeled by a dynamic graph whose vertices and edges represent network nodes and links that unpredictably may lose or gain functionality as the network becomes congested, equipment fails, or new equipment is introduced.

We consider dynamic graph algorithms that support the following two operations: a *query* is a question about the solution being maintained, e.g., “Are vertices  $u, v$  connected?” or “Is the graph planar?”, and an *update* is an edge deletion or edge insertion. A *fully* dynamic graph algorithm supports both deletions and insertions. A *deletions-only* or *insertions-only* dynamic graph algorithm supports only deletions or only insertions, respectively. Some problems are easier when only deletions or only insertions are allowed. For example, there is a fast insertions-only dynamic algorithm for connectivity that uses disjoint-set union [CLRS01], but fast fully dynamic algorithms are considerably more complicated [HdT01].

Fully dynamic algorithms have been developed for numerous problems on undirected graphs, including connectivity, biconnectivity, 2-edge connectivity, bipartiteness, minimum spanning trees, and planarity [EGI98, FK99]. There are also algorithms that support vertex insertions and vertex deletions, e.g., [HSS01].

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## 1.2 Previous work

Chordal graphs can be recognized in  $O(m + n)$  time using a graph search such as Lex-BFS or Maximum Cardinality Search [RTL76, TY84]. Several well-known NP-complete problems can be solved on chordal graphs in  $O(m + n)$  time [Joh85]. There is a fully dynamic algorithm that maintains a clique tree of a chordal graph in  $O(n)$  time per update [Iba08]. This algorithm supports updates that yield a chordal graph and queries that ask whether a particular update is supported. (All the running times in this paper are worst-case.)

Interval graphs can be recognized in  $O(m + n)$  time using PQ-trees [BL76], MPQ-trees [KM89], a substitution decomposition computed with Lex-BFS [HM99], or a vertex ordering computed with multiple passes of Lex-BFS [COS98]. Many well-known NP-complete graph problems can be solved on interval graphs in polynomial time [Joh85]. There is an incremental algorithm for interval graphs that runs in  $O(\log n)$  time per vertex insertion and  $O(m + n \log n)$  total time [Hsu96]. This algorithm supports vertex insertions that yield an interval graph and queries that ask whether a particular insertion is supported. There is a fully dynamic algorithm for recognizing interval graphs that runs in  $O(n \log n)$  time per update [Iba09b]. This algorithm supports updates that yield an interval graph and queries that ask whether a particular update is supported.

Proper interval graphs can also be recognized in  $O(m + n)$  time [CKN<sup>+</sup>95, DHH96]. There is a fully dynamic algorithm for recognizing a proper interval graph in  $O(\log n)$  time per edge update and  $O(d + \log n)$  time per vertex update, where  $d$  is the degree of the vertex [HSS01]. This algorithm supports updates that yield a proper interval graph and queries that ask whether a particular update is supported. The algorithm supports connectivity queries in  $O(\log n)$  time. There is a lower bound of  $\Omega(\log n / (\log \log n + \log b))$  amortized time per edge update in the cell probe model of computation with word-size  $b$  [HSS01].

The clique-separator graph of a chordal graph  $G$  is a graph  $\mathcal{G}$  whose nodes are the maximal cliques and minimal vertex separators of  $G$  and whose (directed) arcs and (undirected) edges represent the containment relations between the sets corresponding to the nodes [Iba09a]. The clique-separator graph reflects the structure of  $G$  and it has various structural properties when  $G$  is an interval graph, proper interval graph, or split graph. The clique-separator graph can be constructed in  $O(n^3)$  time if  $G$  is a chordal graph, in  $O(n^2)$  time if  $G$  is an interval graph, and in  $O(m + n)$  time if  $G$  is a proper interval graph [Iba09a].

## 1.3 Our results

Our algorithm for recognizing proper interval graphs runs in  $O(\log n)$  time per edge update. It also maintains the connected components and supports connectivity queries in  $O(\log n)$  time. This matches the running time of the algorithm in [HSS01] for edge updates and connectivity queries, but instead of maintaining a straight enumeration of a proper interval graph as in [HSS01], our algorithm maintains the clique-separator graph of a proper interval graph. The clique-separator graph of a proper interval graph  $G$  is a path  $\mathcal{P}$  closely related to the clique path  $P$  of  $G$ . Each vertex  $v$  is stored in the leftmost and rightmost nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$  that contain  $v$ ; these nodes specify an interval for  $v$ . Each node of  $\mathcal{P}$  has a balanced binary tree of the vertices that it stores. When  $\mathcal{P}$  is updated, a constant number of trees is moved to the left or right on  $\mathcal{P}$ , which extends or reduces the intervals for the corresponding vertices. Computing the data structure for a proper interval graph  $G$  requires  $O(m + n)$  time. Given the data structure, computing an interval representation of  $G$  requires  $O(n \log n)$  time.

The set of proper interval graphs is a proper subset of the set of interval graphs, which is a proper subset of the set of chordal graphs. Since we will use results for these graph classes, we review them and the clique-separator graph in Section 2. We present the data structure used by

the algorithm in Section 3. We present the insert operation in Section 4 and the delete operation in Section 5. We present conclusions in Section 6.

## 2 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple, undirected graph and let  $n = |V|$  and  $m = |E|$ . We also write  $V$  and  $E$  as  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$ , respectively. For a set  $S \subseteq V$ , the subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $S$  is  $G[S] = (S, E(S))$ , where  $E(S) = \{\{u, v\} \in E \mid u, v \in S\}$ . For a set  $S \subset V$ ,  $G - S$  denotes  $G[V - S]$ . A *clique* of  $G$  is a set of pairwise adjacent vertices of  $G$ . A *maximal clique* of  $G$  is a clique of  $G$  that is not properly contained in any clique of  $G$ . Figure 1a shows a graph with maximal cliques  $\{x, y, z\}$ ,  $\{y, z, w\}$ ,  $\{u, z\}$ , and  $\{v, z\}$ .

Let  $S \subset V$ . For  $u, v \in V$ ,  $S$  is a *uv-separator* of  $G$  if  $u, v$  are connected in  $G$  and not connected in  $G - S$ .  $S$  is a *minimal vertex separator* of  $G$  if for some  $u, v \in V$ ,  $S$  is a *uv-separator* of  $G$  that does not properly contain any *uv-separator* of  $G$ . Figure 1a shows a graph with minimal vertex separators  $\{z\}$  and  $\{y, z\}$ . For  $u, v \in V$ ,  $S$  *separates*  $u$  and  $v$  if  $S$  is a *uv-separator*.

A graph is *chordal* (or *triangulated*) if every cycle of length greater than 3 has a *chord*, which is an edge joining two nonconsecutive vertices of the cycle. A graph  $G$  is chordal if and only if  $G$  has a *clique tree*, which is a tree  $T$  on the maximal cliques of  $G$  with the *clique intersection property*: for any two maximal cliques  $K$  and  $K'$ , the set  $K \cap K'$  is contained in every maximal clique on the  $K$ - $K'$  path in  $T$  [BP93, Gol04]. The clique tree is not necessarily unique. Blair and Peyton [BP93] discuss various properties of clique trees, including the following correspondence between the edges of  $T$  and the minimal vertex separators of  $G$ . (In [BP93],  $G$  is a connected chordal graph and then the clique intersection property implies that  $K \cap K' \neq \emptyset$  for every  $\{K, K'\} \in E(T)$ .)

**Theorem 1 ([HL89, Lun90])** *Let  $G$  be a chordal graph with clique tree  $T$ . Let  $S \neq \emptyset$  be a set of vertices of  $G$ .*

1.  *$S$  is a minimal vertex separator of  $G$  if and only if  $S = K \cap K'$  for some  $\{K, K'\} \in E(T)$ .*
2. *If  $S = K \cap K'$  for some  $\{K, K'\} \in E(T)$ , then  $S$  is a minimal *uv-separator* for any  $u \in K - S$  and  $v \in K' - S$ , and furthermore,  $S$  is a *uv-separator* for any  $u \in \bar{K} - S$  and  $v \in \bar{K}' - S$ , where  $\bar{K}$  and  $\bar{K}'$  are in different subtrees of  $T - \{K, K'\}$ .*

It follows that for any clique tree  $T$  of a chordal graph  $G$ , the nodes and edges of  $T$  correspond to the maximal cliques and minimal vertex separators of  $G$ , respectively. A maximal clique corresponds to exactly one node of  $T$  and a minimal vertex separator may correspond to more than one edge of  $T$ . Furthermore, since a chordal graph  $G$  has at most  $n$  maximal cliques [FG65],  $G$  has at most  $n - 1$  minimal vertex separators. A clique tree can be computed in  $O(m + n)$  time [BP93, LPP89, TY84].

An *interval graph* is a graph where each vertex can be assigned an interval on the real line so that two vertices are adjacent if and only if their assigned intervals intersect; such an assignment is an *interval representation*. A graph is an interval graph if and only if it has a clique tree that is a path, which is a *clique path* [FG65]. Figure 1a shows an interval graph with clique path  $(\{x, y, z\}, \{y, z, w\}, \{u, z\}, \{v, z\})$ . Interval graphs are a proper subclass of chordal graphs. Since interval graphs model many problems involving linear arrangements, interval graphs have applications in many areas, including archeology, computational biology, file organization, partially ordered sets, and psychology [Gol04, MM99].

A *proper interval graph* (or *unit interval graph*) is an interval graph with an interval representation where no interval is properly contained in another. Proper interval graphs are a proper subclass of interval graphs. For example,  $K_{1,3}$  (the graph consisting of one vertex adjacent to three

pairwise nonadjacent vertices) is an interval graph but not a proper interval graph. In fact, an interval graph is a proper interval graph if and only if it has no induced  $K_{1,3}$  [Rob69].  $K_{1,3}$  is also called the *claw*. The interval graph in Figure 1a is not a proper interval graph because it has the induced claw  $\{u, v, y, z\}$ . Proper interval graphs have applications in physical mapping of DNA and in other areas [HSS01, MM99].

Golumbic [Gol04] and McKee and McMorris [MM99] discuss these classes in the context of perfect graphs and intersection graphs, respectively. Johnson [Joh85] discusses these classes with respect to the hardness of problems.

## 2.1 The clique-separator graph

Let  $G$  be a chordal graph. The *clique-separator graph*  $\mathcal{G}$  of  $G$  has the following nodes, (directed) arcs, and (undirected) edges.

- $\mathcal{G}$  has a *clique node*  $K$  for each maximal clique  $K$  of  $G$ .
- $\mathcal{G}$  has a *separator node*  $S$  for each minimal vertex separator  $S$  of  $G$ .
- Each arc is from a separator node to a separator node.  $\mathcal{G}$  has arc  $(S, S'')$  if  $S \subset S''$  and there is no separator node  $S'$  such that  $S \subset S' \subset S''$ .
- Each edge is between a separator node and a clique node.  $\mathcal{G}$  has edge  $\{S, K\}$  if  $S \subset K$  and there is no separator node  $S'$  such that  $S \subset S' \subset K$ .

Throughout this paper, we refer to the *vertices* of  $G$  and the *nodes* of  $\mathcal{G}$  and we use lower-case variables for vertices and uppercase variables for nodes. We identify “maximal clique” and “clique node” and identify “minimal vertex separator” and “separator node”. Figure 1 shows a chordal graph  $G$  and its clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ , which has clique nodes  $K_1 = \{x, y, z\}$ ,  $K_2 = \{y, z, w\}$ ,  $K_3 = \{u, z\}$ ,  $K_4 = \{v, z\}$  and separator nodes  $S_1 = \{y, z\}$  and  $S_2 = \{z\}$ .

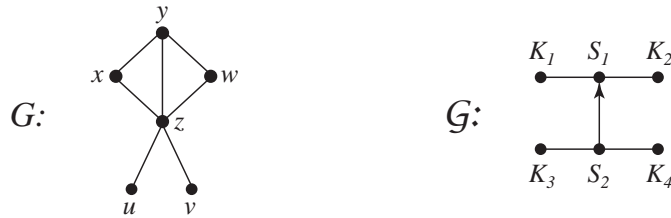


Figure 1: A chordal graph and its clique-separator graph.

The clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$  is unique.  $\mathcal{G}$  is *connected* if the underlying undirected graph of  $\mathcal{G}$  (obtained by replacing every arc with an edge) is connected.  $\mathcal{G}$  is connected if and only if  $G$  is connected. If  $\{S, K\}$  is an edge of  $\mathcal{G}$ , then  $S$  is a *neighbor* of  $K$  and  $S$  is *adjacent* to  $K$  and vice versa.

A *box* of  $\mathcal{G}$  is a connected component of the undirected graph obtained by deleting the arcs of  $\mathcal{G}$ . A box of  $\mathcal{G}$  contains exactly one clique node  $K$  and no separator nodes if and only if  $K$  is a complete connected component of  $G$ . Every box is a tree with the clique intersection property [Iba09a]. (We extend the definition of the clique intersection property to a tree  $T$  on a set of nodes in the natural way: for any two nodes  $N$  and  $N'$  of  $T$ , the set  $N \cap N'$  is contained in every node on the  $N$ – $N'$  path in  $T$ .) For any separator node  $S$  with neighbors  $K$  and  $K'$ ,  $S = K \cap K'$  [Iba09a].

If  $G$  is a chordal graph or an interval graph,  $\mathcal{G}$  may have many boxes, arcs, and nodes with high degree. If  $G$  is a proper interval graph, however,  $\mathcal{G}$  has a much simpler structure, as the following

theorem shows. If the graph is not connected, the theorem can be applied to each of its connected components.

**Theorem 2 ([Iba09a])** *Let  $G$  be a connected chordal graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $G$  is a proper interval graph if and only if  $\mathcal{G}$  has exactly one box and this box is a path  $\mathcal{P}$  such that there do not exist vertices  $u \in K_1 \cap K_3$  and  $v \in K_2 - (K_1 \cup K_3)$  where  $(K_1, K_2, K_3)$  is a subsequence of  $\mathcal{P}$ .*

**Corollary 3 ([Iba09a])** *Let  $G$  be a connected chordal graph. Then  $G$  is a proper interval graph if and only if  $G$  has a unique clique tree and this tree is a path  $P$  such that there do not exist vertices  $u \in K_1 \cap K_3$  and  $v \in K_2 - (K_1 \cup K_3)$  where  $(K_1, K_2, K_3)$  is a subsequence of  $P$ .*

## 2.2 Observations

We will use the following observations in the correctness proofs. A *cut edge* is an edge whose removal increases the number of connected components of the graph. For a chordal graph  $G$ , we can readily prove that  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge of  $G$  if and only if  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a maximal clique of  $G$ . The forward direction is easy and the backwards direction uses the fact that in a chordal graph, the shortest cycle (if there is one) containing a given edge is a triangle.

For a connected proper interval graph  $G$ , its clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{P}$  is unique by definition and its clique path  $P$  is unique by Corollary 3. Then by deleting the separator nodes from  $\mathcal{P}$ , we obtain  $P$ , and by inserting separator node  $K \cap K'$  between every two consecutive clique nodes  $K$  and  $K'$  of  $P$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{P}$ . Thus, the clique nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$  are the maximal cliques of  $P$  in the same order and the separator nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$  are the minimal vertex separators corresponding to the edges of  $P$  in the same order. Then by Theorem 1-2, if separator node  $S$  is between clique nodes  $\bar{K}$  and  $\bar{K}'$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ , or equivalently, the  $\bar{K}$ - $\bar{K}'$  subpath of  $\mathcal{P}$  contains  $S$ , then  $S$  separates any  $u \in \bar{K} - S$  and any  $v \in \bar{K}' - S$ .

## 3 The data structure for the algorithm

The algorithm maintains the clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$  for the proper interval graph  $G$ . Each connected component of  $\mathcal{G}$  is a path  $\mathcal{P}$ . Intuitively, each vertex  $v$  is stored in the leftmost and rightmost nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$  that contain  $v$ ; by the clique intersection property, every node between these two nodes contains  $v$ . Each node  $N$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  has two balanced binary trees of the vertices that it stores: one tree stores the vertices whose leftmost node is  $N$  and the other tree stores the vertices whose rightmost node is  $N$ . If  $v$  is contained in exactly one node  $N$ , then  $v$  is stored in both trees of  $N$ . When  $G$  is updated,  $\mathcal{P}$  is updated by adding or deleting a constant number of nodes on  $\mathcal{P}$  and moving a constant number of trees to the left or right on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

A vertex is *simplicial* if the set of its neighbors is a clique. A vertex is simplicial if and only if it is contained in exactly one clique node [BP93]. A vertex is *complex* if it is contained in one or more separator nodes. By the clique intersection property, every vertex is either simplicial or complex.

### 3.1 The data structure

Let  $G$  be a proper interval graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . We will store sequences of vertices of  $G$  and sequences of nodes of  $\mathcal{G}$  in balanced binary trees. In a balanced binary tree such as a B-tree or red-black tree [CLRS01], the height is  $O(\log n)$  and an insert, delete, split, or join operation runs in  $O(\log n)$  time, where  $n$  is the number of leaves in the tree. We will not use the find operation.

Since  $G$  has  $n$  vertices and  $\mathcal{G}$  has at most  $n$  clique nodes and  $n - 1$  separator nodes, every balanced binary tree will have at most  $2n - 1$  leaves and  $O(\log n)$  height.

Each connected component of  $\mathcal{G}$  is a path  $\mathcal{P}$  and its nodes are stored in a balanced binary tree  $T_{\mathcal{P}}$ , which gives a left to right ordering of the nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$ . For each complex vertex  $v$ ,  $leftmost(v)$  and  $rightmost(v)$  are the leftmost and rightmost separator nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$  that contain  $v$ , respectively. Each clique node  $K$  has two balanced binary trees:  $T_a(K)$  and  $T_b(K)$  are identical trees and each contains the simplicial vertices in  $K$ . Each separator node  $S$  has two balanced binary trees:  $T_r(S)$  contains every complex vertex  $u$  with  $rightmost(u) = S$  and  $T_l(S)$  contains every complex vertex  $u$  with  $leftmost(u) = S$ . Thus, every vertex  $v$  is contained in exactly two trees: if  $v$  is simplicial, then  $v$  is in  $T_a(K)$  and  $T_b(K)$  for some  $K$ , and if  $v$  is complex, then  $v$  is in  $T_l(S)$  and  $T_r(S')$  for some  $S$  and  $S'$ , where  $S = S'$  exactly when  $v$  is contained in only one separator node.

The vertices in  $T_r(S)$  are sorted by the positions on  $\mathcal{P}$  of their  $leftmost$  nodes and the vertices in  $T_l(S)$  are sorted by the positions on  $\mathcal{P}$  of their  $rightmost$  nodes. For example, suppose the separator nodes of  $\mathcal{P}$  in left to right order are  $S_1, S_2, S, S_3, S_4$ . Then  $T_r(S)$  contains the vertices whose  $leftmost$  node is  $S_1$ , followed by the vertices whose  $leftmost$  node is  $S_2$ , followed by the vertices whose  $leftmost$  node is  $S$ , and  $T_l(S)$  contains the vertices whose  $rightmost$  node is  $S$ , followed by the vertices whose  $rightmost$  node is  $S_3$ , followed by the vertices whose  $rightmost$  node is  $S_4$ . A *block*  $B$  is a maximal contiguous sequence of vertices in a  $T_l$  or  $T_r$  tree such that every vertex in  $B$  has the same  $rightmost$  or  $leftmost$  value, respectively. The first vertex in every block is marked. Each internal node of a  $T_l$  or  $T_r$  tree is labeled if it is the ancestor of a marked vertex.

Every clique node  $K$  has a value  $count(K)$ , which is the number of vertices  $v$  such that the  $leftmost(v)$ – $rightmost(v)$  subpath of  $\mathcal{P}$  contains  $K$ , or equivalently,  $K$  is between  $leftmost(v)$  and  $rightmost(v)$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . Figure 2 shows the set of vertices of  $K$  when  $K$  is a leaf or an internal node of  $\mathcal{P}$ . The figure indicates the trees that contain the simplicial vertices and complex vertices of  $K$ . (If  $K$  is a leaf, then  $count(K) = 0$ . If  $K$  is an internal node with neighbors  $S$  and  $S'$ , then  $count(K) = |S \cap S'|$ . By Theorem 2, if  $count(K) > 0$ , then  $K$  contains no simplicial vertices.)

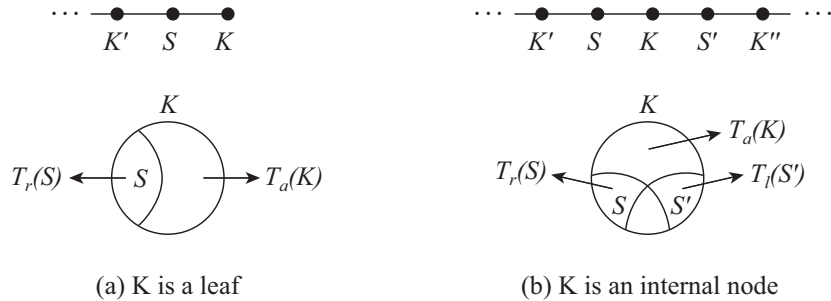


Figure 2: A clique node  $K$  on path  $\mathcal{P}$ .

Figure 6a shows a proper interval graph  $G$  and its clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{P}$ , where  $S_1 = \{u, v\}$ ,  $S_2 = \{w, v\}$ , and  $S_3 = \{x\}$ . The first row under  $\mathcal{P}$  shows the vertices in the  $T_a$  and  $T_l$  trees; the second row under  $\mathcal{P}$  shows the vertices in the  $T_b$  and  $T_r$  trees. The vertices are listed in the order in which they appear in each tree, with commas between the blocks. We have  $count(K_2) = 1$  and the other  $count$  values are 0.

For each connected component  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $\mathcal{G}$ , the algorithm maintains the data structure for  $\mathcal{P}$  and the data structure for its reversal  $\mathcal{P}^R$ . We will present the algorithm for updating  $\mathcal{P}$  and omit the algorithm for  $\mathcal{P}^R$  since it is symmetric. (Similarly, the algorithm in [HSS01] maintains the straight enumeration and its reversal for each connected component of  $G$ .) We will need  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{P}^R$  when

we insert an edge between vertices in different connected components of  $G$ .

For nodes  $N$  and  $N'$ ,  $N <_{\mathcal{P}} N'$  denotes that  $N$  is to the left of  $N'$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . The correctness proofs will use the following lemma, which follows from Theorem 2.

**Lemma 4** *Let  $S <_{\mathcal{P}} S'$ . For any  $u$  in  $T_r(S)$  and  $u'$  in  $T_r(S')$ ,  $\text{leftmost}(u) \leq_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(u')$ . For any  $v$  in  $T_l(S)$  and  $v'$  in  $T_l(S')$ ,  $\text{rightmost}(v) \leq_{\mathcal{P}} \text{rightmost}(v')$ .*

### 3.2 Basic computations with the data structure

For any vertex  $v$ , we decide whether  $v$  is simplicial or complex, and we find  $\text{leftmost}(v)$  and  $\text{rightmost}(v)$  if  $v$  is complex, by following parent pointers from  $v$  in the two trees containing  $v$ . For any complex vertices  $u$  and  $v$ , we decide whether  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v)$  by finding  $\text{leftmost}(u)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(v)$  and then following parent pointers from  $\text{leftmost}(u)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(v)$  in  $T_{\mathcal{P}}$ . We decide whether  $\text{rightmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{rightmost}(v)$  similarly. For any vertices  $x$  and  $y$ , we decide whether  $x$  and  $y$  are connected in  $G$  by following parent pointers from  $x$  and  $y$  in the trees containing  $x$  and  $y$  and then following parent pointers in the  $T_{\mathcal{P}}$  trees. Each of these computations runs in  $O(\log n)$  time.

For a vertex  $u$  in a  $T_l$  or  $T_r$  tree, let  $B$  be the block containing  $u$ . We can find the first or last vertex in  $B$  by following parent pointers from  $u$  until we find a labeled internal node and then following child pointers. We can swap  $u$  with the first or last vertex in  $B$  and adjust the marks in the appropriate way. We can use the split operation to obtain a tree containing the vertices  $v$  of  $T_l(S)$  with  $\text{rightmost}(v) = S$  and a tree containing the vertices  $v$  of  $T_l(S)$  with  $\text{rightmost}(v) \neq S$ . We denote these trees by  $\text{self}(T_l(S))$  and  $\text{nonself}(T_l(S))$ , respectively. Similarly, we can process  $T_r(S)$  to obtain the trees  $\text{self}(T_r(S))$  and  $\text{nonself}(T_r(S))$ . Note that  $\text{self}(T_l(S))$  and  $\text{self}(T_r(S))$  each contain the vertices  $v$  with  $\text{leftmost}(v) = \text{rightmost}(v) = S$ . Each of these computations runs in  $O(\log n)$  time.

We determine the number of vertices contained in a node in  $O(1)$  time, as follows. Let  $|T|$  denote the number of vertices stored in tree  $T$ . If  $K$  is a leaf clique node with left neighbor  $S$  (Figure 2a), then  $|K| = |T_a(K)| + |T_r(S)|$  and  $|S| = |T_r(S)|$ . If  $K$  is an internal clique node with left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$  (Figure 2b), then  $|K| = |T_a(K)| + |T_r(S)| + |T_l(S')| + \text{count}(K)$ ,  $|S| = |T_r(S)| + \text{count}(K)$ , and  $|S'| = |T_l(S')| + \text{count}(K)$ . These equations are straightforward to prove. For example, suppose  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$ . Then every vertex  $v \in K$  is a simplicial vertex in  $K$  (counted in  $|T_a(K)|$ ), or a complex vertex in  $S - S'$  (counted in  $|T_r(S)|$ ), or a complex vertex in  $S' - S$  (counted in  $|T_l(S')|$ ), or a complex vertex in  $S \cap S'$  (counted in  $\text{count}(K)$ ). (The vertices in  $T_l(S)$  or  $T_r(S')$  are in  $S \cap S'$ .)

When an operation inserts a vertex  $v$  into a balanced binary tree  $T$ , it tests whether  $v$  is in the same block as the vertex before or after  $v$  in  $T$  and adjusts the marks in the appropriate way. The operations use the following subroutines to move a vertex  $v$  in a balanced binary tree  $T$ .

*MoveLeft*( $v, T$ ):

In  $T$ , move  $v$  into the first position in the block containing  $v$  and mark the vertex after  $v$ . If  $v$  is in the same block as the vertex before  $v$ , then unmark  $v$ .

*MoveRight*( $v, T$ ):

In  $T$ , move  $v$  into the last position in the block containing  $v$  and mark  $v$ . If  $v$  is in the same block as the vertex  $w$  after  $v$ , then unmark  $w$ .

When we refer to both  $T_a(K)$  and  $T_b(K)$ , or perform the same operation on both  $T_a(K)$  and  $T_b(K)$ , for brevity we will write  $T_{a+b}(K)$ . Similarly, we will write  $T_{l+r}(S)$ . We denote the balanced binary tree operations as follows:  $\leftarrow$  is assignment,  $\cup$  is join,  $-$  is deletion, and  $\emptyset$  is an empty tree.

In a join  $T \cup T'$ , the vertices in  $T$  are placed before the vertices in  $T'$ . In a deletion  $T - v$ , the marks are adjusted in the appropriate way if  $v$  is a marked vertex.

### 3.3 Computing the data structure and an interval representation

There are several algorithms that decide whether  $G$  is a chordal graph, and if it is, compute a clique tree  $T$  of  $G$  [BP93, Gol04]. These algorithms produce a list of the vertices in each maximal clique of  $T$  and run in  $O(m + n)$  time. If we know  $G$  is a proper interval graph, then by Corollary 3, any of these algorithms computes the clique path of each connected component of  $G$ . We can verify that  $G$  is a proper interval graph in  $O(m + n)$  time [CKN<sup>+</sup>95, DHH96] and then compute the clique path of each connected component of  $G$ .

Given the clique path  $P$  of a connected proper interval graph  $G$  and the lists of the vertices in each maximal clique of  $P$ , we find the first and last maximal cliques that contain each vertex and thereby identify the simplicial vertices and the complex vertices of  $G$ . We compute the clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $G$  by inserting a separator node between every two consecutive clique nodes of  $P$ . For every clique node  $K$ , we make two lists of the simplicial vertices in  $K$ . For every separator node  $S$ , we make a list  $L_l$  of the vertices  $u$  with  $leftmost(u) = S$  and a list  $L_r$  of the vertices  $v$  with  $rightmost(v) = S$ . In one pass through  $\mathcal{P}$ , we sort the vertices in the  $L_l$  lists by their  $rightmost$  node, sort the vertices in the  $L_r$  lists by their  $leftmost$  node, and compute the *count* values. Each of these steps requires  $O(m + n)$  time. Then we build the  $T_a, T_b, T_l$ , and  $T_r$  trees in  $O(m + n)$  time. Lastly, we build the  $T_{\mathcal{P}}$  tree in  $O(n)$  time since there are at most  $2n - 1$  nodes in  $\mathcal{P}$ . Thus, we construct the data structure in  $O(m + n)$  time.

Given the data structure for a proper interval graph  $G$ , we compute an interval representation of  $G$  as follows. Let  $\mathcal{P}_1, \mathcal{P}_2, \dots, \mathcal{P}_k$  be the connected components of the clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$  of  $G$ . Let  $|\mathcal{P}_i|$  be the number of nodes in  $\mathcal{P}_i$ . Rank the nodes of  $\mathcal{P}_1$  from 1 to  $|\mathcal{P}_1|$ , the nodes of  $\mathcal{P}_2$  from  $|\mathcal{P}_1| + 1$  to  $|\mathcal{P}_1| + |\mathcal{P}_2|$ , and so on. Let  $rank(N)$  be the rank of node  $N$ . Every simplicial vertex in clique node  $K$  has the interval  $[rank(K) - 1/2, rank(K) + 1/2]$ . Every complex vertex  $v$  has the interval  $[rank(leftmost(v)) - 1, rank(rightmost(v)) + 1]$ . Then two vertices are adjacent in  $G$  if and only if their intervals intersect. Since computing  $leftmost$  and  $rightmost$  requires  $O(\log n)$  time for each vertex, computing the interval representation requires  $O(n \log n)$  time.

## 4 The insert operation

Let  $G$  be a chordal graph (not necessarily a proper interval graph). Throughout this section,  $\{v_1, v_2\} \notin E$ . We use  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  to denote  $(V, E \cup \{\{v_1, v_2\}\})$ .

**Theorem 5 ([Iba08])** *Let  $G$  be a chordal graph and let  $\{v_1, v_2\} \notin E(G)$ . Then  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is chordal if and only if  $G$  has a clique tree  $T$  and maximal cliques  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  such that  $v_1 \in K_1$  and  $v_2 \in K_2$  and  $\{K_1, K_2\} \in E(T)$ .*

Suppose  $v_1 \in K_1$  and  $v_2 \in K_2$  and  $\{K_1, K_2\} \in E(T)$ . Let  $S = K_1 \cap K_2$ . Then  $v_1 \in K_1 - S$  and  $v_2 \in K_2 - S$  (Figure 3). Then  $K = S \cup \{v_1, v_2\}$ , which is not a maximal clique in  $G$ , is a maximal clique in  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$ . Now  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  may or may not be maximal cliques in  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$ ; each  $K_i$  is a maximal clique in  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  if and only if  $K_i \supset S \cup \{v_i\}$ , or equivalently,  $|K_i - S| > 1$ . Furthermore,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are the only maximal cliques of  $G$  that can be destroyed by inserting  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  [Iba08]. For example, consider the chordal graph  $G$  in Figure 1. Inserting edge  $\{u, x\}$  yields a chordal graph because there is a clique path of  $G$  where the maximal cliques  $\{u, z\}$  and  $\{x, y, z\}$  are adjacent. Moreover,  $\{u, x, z\}$  and  $\{x, y, z\}$  are maximal cliques in  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$ , but  $\{u, z\}$  is not a maximal clique in  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$ .



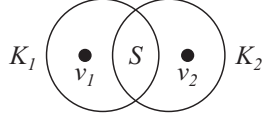


Figure 3: Inserting edge  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ .

Let  $G$  be a proper interval graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  be the edge to be inserted into  $G$ . Since  $\{v_1, v_2\} \notin E$ , no clique node or separator node contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . We have two main cases, depending on whether or not  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in the same connected component of  $G$ .

Suppose  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in different connected components of  $G$ . Then there is always a clique tree  $T$  of  $G$  such that  $v_1 \in K_1$  and  $v_2 \in K_2$  and  $\{K_1, K_2\} \in E(T)$ , where  $K_1 \cap K_2 = \emptyset$ . Then  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is a chordal graph but possibly not a proper interval graph. Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in connected components  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of  $G$  with clique-separator graphs  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , respectively. We will later show that  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is a proper interval graph if and only if  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are simplicial vertices of some clique nodes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  that are endpoints of  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , respectively. If  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  do not exist, the operation rejects the insertion. Otherwise, the operation merges  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$  by linking them with path  $(S_1, K, S_2)$  where  $S_1 = \{v_1\}$  and  $K = \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $S_2 = \{v_2\}$ . But if  $v_i$  is the only vertex in  $G_i$ , then  $K_i = \{v_i\}$  is not a maximal clique of  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  and so the operation deletes  $K_i$  and  $S_i$ . (We present the operation this way for brevity. The operation can be readily rewritten so that it creates only the nodes that are not deleted.)

Suppose  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in the same connected component of  $G$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the clique-separator graph of this connected component. By Theorem 5,  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is chordal if and only if  $\mathcal{P}$  has a separator node  $S$  with left neighbor  $K_1$  and right neighbor  $K_2$  (implying  $S = K_1 \cap K_2$ ) such that  $v_1 \in K_1 - S$  and  $v_2 \in K_2 - S$ . If  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is not a proper interval graph, the operation rejects the insertion. Otherwise, the operation replaces  $S$  with path  $(S_1, K, S_2)$  where  $S_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$  and  $K = S \cup \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $S_2 = S \cup \{v_2\}$ . But if  $K_i$  is not a maximal clique of  $G + \{v_1, v_2\}$ , the operation deletes  $K_i$  and does not add  $S_i$ .

When the operation creates a node, its two trees are initially empty and its *count* value (if it is a clique node) is initially 0.

*Insert*( $v_1, v_2$ ):

**$v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in different connected components of  $G$ :**

Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in connected components  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of  $G$  with clique-separator graphs  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , respectively. If  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are simplicial vertices of some clique nodes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  that are endpoints of  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , respectively, then continue, and otherwise, reject. Assume  $\mathcal{P}_1$  has right endpoint  $K_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$  has left endpoint  $K_2$  (Figure 4a). We will merge  $\mathcal{P}_1 + \mathcal{P}_2$  and merge  $\mathcal{P}_2^R + \mathcal{P}_1^R$ ; we describe only the former since the latter is symmetric. The other cases, e.g.  $\mathcal{P}_1$  has left endpoint  $K_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$  has left endpoint  $K_2$ , are similar.

Add path  $(S_1, K, S_2)$  and edges  $\{K_1, S_1\}$  and  $\{S_2, K_2\}$ , where  $S_1 = \{v_1\}$  and  $K = \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $S_2 = \{v_2\}$  (Figure 4b). If  $v_1$  is not the only vertex in  $G_1$ , move  $v_1$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$  into  $T_{l+r}(S_1)$ , and otherwise, move  $v_1$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$  into  $T_{a+b}(K)$  and delete  $K_1$  and  $S_1$  (Figure 4c). If  $v_2$  is not the only vertex in  $G_2$ , move  $v_2$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_2)$  into  $T_{l+r}(S_2)$ , and otherwise, move  $v_2$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_2)$  into  $T_{a+b}(K)$  and delete  $K_2$  and  $S_2$ .

**$v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in the same connected component of  $G$ :**

Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in a connected component of  $G$  with clique-separator

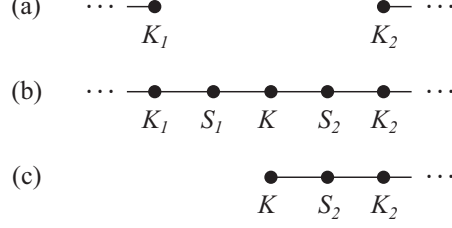


Figure 4:  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in different connected components of  $G$ .

graph  $\mathcal{P}$ . If there is a separator node  $S$  with left neighbor  $K_1$  and right neighbor  $K_2$  such that  $v_1 \in K_1$  and  $v_2 \in K_2$  (Figure 5a), then continue, and otherwise, reject. Note  $v_1$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$  or  $T_r(S'_1)$ , where  $S'_1$  is the left neighbor of  $K_1$  (if it exists), and  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_2)$  or  $T_l(S'_2)$ , where  $S'_2$  is the right neighbor of  $K_2$  (if it exists). If  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S'_1)$  and either  $|T_{a+b}(K_1)| > 0$  or  $leftmost(v_1) <_{\mathcal{P}} leftmost(u)$  for the last vertex  $u$  in  $T_r(S'_1)$ , then reject. If the symmetric condition holds with  $v_2$ , then reject. Let  $K = S \cup \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $S_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$  and  $S_2 = S \cup \{v_2\}$ .

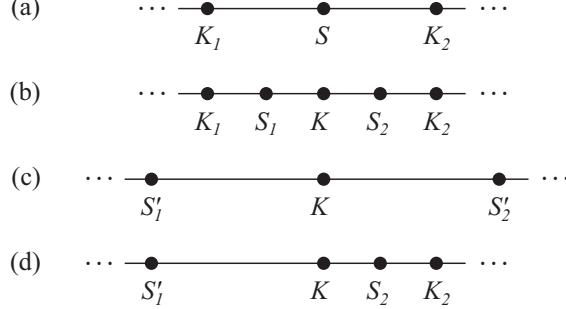


Figure 5:  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in the same connected component of  $G$ .

If  $|K_1 - S| > 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| > 1$ , then do the following.

1. Replace node  $S$  with path  $(S_1, K, S_2)$  (Figure 5b). Do  $T_l(S_1) \leftarrow T_l(S)$  and  $T_r(S_2) \leftarrow T_r(S)$ . Do  $count(K) \leftarrow count(K_1) + |T_l(S_1)|$ .
2. If  $v_1$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$ , move  $v_1$  to  $T_{l+r}(S_1)$  (make it the first vertex in  $T_l(S_1)$ ). If  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S'_1)$ , move  $v_1$  to  $T_r(S_1)$ , increment  $count(K_1)$ , and call  $MoveRight(v_1, T_l(leftmost(v_1)))$ .
3. If  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_2)$ , move  $v_2$  to  $T_{l+r}(S_2)$  (make it the last vertex in  $T_r(S_2)$ ). If  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S'_2)$ , move  $v_2$  to  $T_l(S_2)$ , increment  $count(K_2)$ , and call  $MoveLeft(v_2, T_r(rightmost(v_2)))$ .

If  $|K_1 - S| = 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| = 1$ , then do the following.

1. Replace path  $(K_1, S, K_2)$  with node  $K$  (Figure 5c). Do  $T_{a+b}(K) \leftarrow self(T_{l+r}(S))$  and  $count(K) \leftarrow count(K_1) - |nonself(T_r(S))|$ .
2. If  $K_1$  was an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ , add  $v_1$  to  $T_{a+b}(K)$ . Otherwise, do  $T_r(S'_1) \leftarrow T_r(S'_1) \cup nonself(T_r(S))$  and call  $Check(x, T_l(leftmost(x)))$  for the first vertex  $x$  in the old  $nonself(T_r(S))$ .
3. If  $K_2$  was an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ , add  $v_2$  to  $T_{a+b}(K)$ . Otherwise, do  $T_l(S'_2) \leftarrow nonself(T_l(S)) \cup T_l(S'_2)$  and call  $Check(x, T_r(rightmost(x)))$  for the first vertex  $x$  in the old  $T_l(S'_2)$ .

If  $|K_1 - S| = 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| > 1$ , then do the following. Rename  $K_1$  to  $K$  and rename  $S$  to  $S_2$  (Figure 5d). If  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_2)$ , move  $v_2$  to  $T_{l+r}(S_2)$

(make it the first vertex in  $T_l(S_2)$  and the last vertex in  $T_r(S_2)$ ). If  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S'_2)$ , move  $v_2$  to  $T_l(S_2)$  (make it the last vertex), increment  $\text{count}(K_2)$ , and call  $\text{MoveLeft}(v_2, T_r(\text{rightmost}(v_2)))$ .

If  $|K_1 - S| > 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| = 1$ , then this is symmetric to the previous case.

*Check*( $x, T$ ):

Let  $w$  be the rightmost marked vertex in  $T$  such that  $w \leq x$  in the vertex order of  $T$ . If the vertex before  $w$  is in the same block as  $w$ , then unmark  $w$ .

*End Insert*

We show how the operation inserts three edges individually into the graph  $G$  in Figure 6a. (a) In  $\text{Insert}(v, y)$ ,  $S_3$  has neighbors  $K_3$  and  $K_4$  where  $v \in K_3$  and  $y \in K_4$ ;  $v$  is in  $T_r(S_2)$  and  $y$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_4)$ . Since  $\text{leftmost}(v) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(w)$  and  $w$  is the last vertex in  $T_r(S_2)$ , the operation rejects. Note  $G + \{v, y\}$  is not a proper interval graph since it has the claw  $\{v, t, w, y\}$ . (b) In  $\text{Insert}(w, z)$ ,  $S_3$  has neighbors  $K_3$  and  $K_4$  where  $w \in K_3$  and  $z \in K_4$ ;  $w$  is in  $T_r(S_2)$  and  $z$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_4)$ . Since  $|K_3 - S_3| > 1$  and  $|K_4 - S_3| > 1$ , the operation replaces  $S_3$  with path  $(S', K, S'')$ , where  $S' = \{w, x\}$  and  $K = \{w, x, z\}$  and  $S'' = \{x, z\}$  (Figure 6b), and sets  $\text{count}(K) = \text{count}(K_3) + |T_l(S')| = 0 + 1 = 1$ . The operation moves  $w$  from  $T_r(S_2)$  into  $T_r(S')$ , sets  $\text{count}(K_3) = 1$ , calls  $\text{MoveRight}(w, T_l(\text{leftmost}(w)))$ , and moves  $z$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_4)$  into  $T_{l+r}(S'')$ . (c) In  $\text{Insert}(u, x)$ ,  $S_2$  has neighbors  $K_2$  and  $K_3$  where  $u \in K_2$  and  $x \in K_3$ ;  $u$  is in  $T_r(S_1)$  and  $x$  is in  $T_l(S_3)$ . Since  $|K_2 - S_2| = 1$  and  $|K_3 - S_2| = 1$ , the operation replaces path  $(K_2, S_2, K_3)$  with node  $K = \{u, v, w, x\}$  (Figure 6c) and sets  $\text{count}(K) = \text{count}(K_2) - |\text{nonsel}(T_r(S_2))| = 1 - 1 = 0$ . Since  $K_2$  was not an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ , the operation does the join with  $\text{nonsel}(T_r(S_2)) = \{v\}$  and calls  $\text{Check}(v, T_l(\text{leftmost}(v)))$ . Since  $K_3$  was not an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\text{nonsel}(T_l(S_2)) = \emptyset$ , the operation is done.

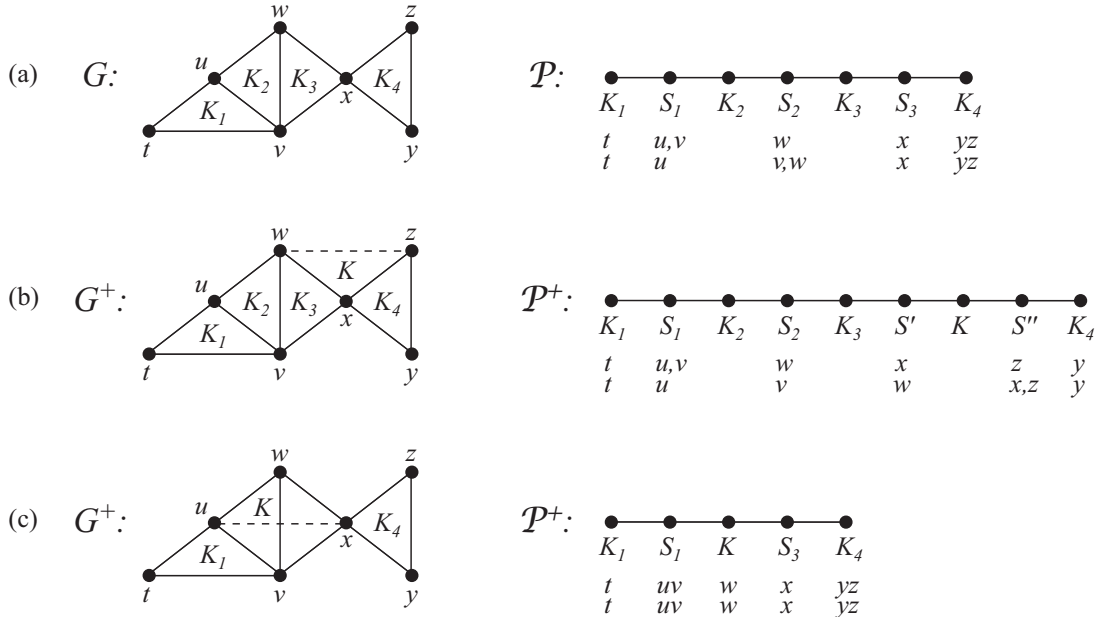


Figure 6: Inserting edges into a proper interval graph  $G$ .

For a more complicated example, we show how the operation inserts an edge into the graph  $G$  in Figure 7a. We have  $S_1 = \{u, v, w\}$ ,  $S_2 = \{w, x\}$ ,  $\text{count}(K_2) = 1$ , and the other  $\text{count}$  values are 0. In  $\text{Insert}(v, y)$ ,  $S_2$  has neighbors  $K_2$  and  $K_3$  where  $v \in K_2$  and  $y \in K_3$ ;  $v$  is in  $T_r(S_1)$  and

$y$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_3)$ . Since  $|K_2 - S_2| > 1$  and  $|K_3 - S_2| > 1$ , the operation replaces  $S_2$  with path  $(S', K, S'')$ , where  $S' = \{v, w, x\}$  and  $K = \{v, w, x, y\}$  and  $S'' = \{w, x, y\}$ , does  $T_l(S') \leftarrow T_l(S_2)$  and  $T_r(S'') \leftarrow T_r(S_2)$ , and sets  $\text{count}(K) = \text{count}(K_2) + |T_l(S')| = 1 + 1 = 2$ . The operation moves  $v$  from  $T_r(S_1)$  to  $T_r(S')$ , sets  $\text{count}(K_2) = 2$ , calls  $\text{MoveRight}(v, T_l(\text{leftmost}(v)))$ , and moves  $y$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_3)$  to  $T_{l+r}(S'')$ , making  $y$  the last vertex in  $T_r(S'')$ .

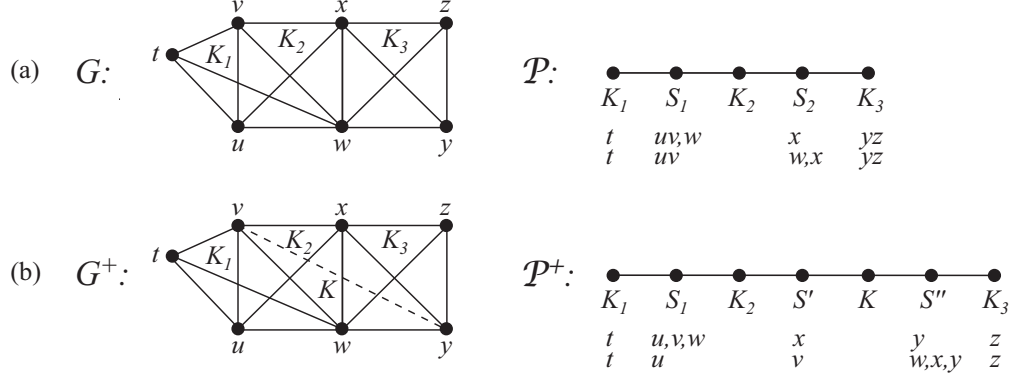


Figure 7: Inserting edge  $\{v, y\}$  into a proper interval graph  $G$ .

The *Insert* operation uses a constant number of the computations discussed in Subsection 3.2 so it runs in  $O(\log n)$  time, where  $n$  is the number of vertices of  $G$ . In the correctness proofs, we will implicitly use the fact that if a separator node  $S$  is between clique nodes  $\bar{K}$  and  $\bar{K}'$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $S$  separates any  $u \in \bar{K} - S$  and any  $v \in \bar{K}' - S$ , which implies that  $u$  and  $v$  are not adjacent.

**Theorem 6** *Let  $G$  be a proper interval graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in different connected components of  $G$ . If  $G^+ = G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is a proper interval graph, the *Insert* operation computes its clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}^+$ , and otherwise, the operation rejects.*

**Proof** Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in connected components  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of  $G$  with clique-separator graphs  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , respectively. Suppose the operation rejects because  $v_1$  is not a simplicial vertex; the  $v_2$  case is symmetric. Then  $v_1 \in S$  for at least one separator node  $S$  of  $\mathcal{P}_1$ . Then  $S$  has neighbors  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  in  $\mathcal{P}_1$ . Let  $w_1 \in K_1 - S$  and  $w_2 \in K_2 - S$  be any vertices. Then  $v_1$  is adjacent to nonadjacent vertices  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  in  $G$ . Then  $\{v_1, v_2, w_1, w_2\}$  is an induced claw in  $G^+$ . Thus,  $G^+$  is not a proper interval graph.

Suppose the operation rejects because  $v_1$  is a simplicial vertex of a clique node  $K'$  that is not an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}_1$ ; the  $v_2$  case is symmetric. Then  $\mathcal{P}_1$  has a subpath  $(K_1, S_1, K', S_2, K_2)$ . Since  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are neighbors of  $K$ ,  $S_1 \not\subset S_2$  and  $S_2 \not\subset S_1$ . Then there exist vertices  $u_1 \in S_1 - S_2$  and  $u_2 \in S_2 - S_1$  (Figure 4a). Let  $w_1 \in K_1 - S_1$  and  $w_2 \in K_2 - S_2$  be any vertices. Then  $v_1, u_1, u_2$  are pairwise adjacent and  $v_2, w_1, w_2$  are pairwise nonadjacent in  $G^+$ . Then  $\{v_1, u_1, u_2, v_2, w_1, w_2\}$  is an induced net in  $G^+$  (Figure 8b). Since the net is not an interval graph [MM99],  $G^+$  is not an interval graph. (If  $H$  is an interval graph, then every induced subgraph of  $H$  is an interval graph.)

Suppose the operation does not reject. Then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are simplicial vertices of some clique nodes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  that are endpoints of  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , respectively. Assume  $\mathcal{P}_1$  has right endpoint  $K_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$  has left endpoint  $K_2$  (Figure 4a); the other cases are similar. We will show that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^+$ . Recall the relationship between the clique path of  $G$  and the clique-separator graph of  $G$  (see Subsection 2.2). Since  $K = \{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge in  $G^+$ ,  $K$  is a maximal clique in  $G^+$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$  be the clique paths of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ . Suppose  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are not the only vertices in  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ . Then  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are also maximal cliques in  $G^+$ . Link  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and

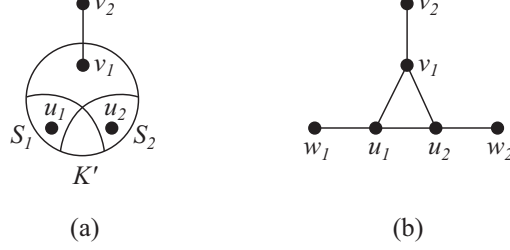


Figure 8: (a) Clique node  $K'$  and (b) the net.

$P_2$  by adding  $K$  and edges  $\{K_1, K\}$  and  $\{K, K_2\}$ . Then the new path  $P^+$  is a clique path of  $G^+$ , which implies  $G^+$  is an interval graph. Since  $v_1$  is a simplicial vertex of  $G$ , any two neighbors of  $v_1$  in  $G$  are adjacent. Then  $G^+$  has no induced claw and thus  $G^+$  is a proper interval graph. Since  $S_1 = \{v_1\} = K_1 \cap K$  and  $S_2 = \{v_2\} = K \cap K_2$  are minimal vertex separators of  $G^+$ , the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^+$  (Figure 4b). Now  $v_1$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K_1$  in  $G$  and a complex vertex in  $G^+$ . Since  $v_1$  is contained in  $S_1$  and no other separator node of  $\mathcal{G}^+$ , the operation moves  $v_1$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$  into  $T_{l+r}(S_1)$ . The  $v_2$  argument is symmetric.

If  $v_1$  is the only vertex in  $G_1$ , then  $K_1 = \{v_1\}$  is not a maximal clique in  $G^+$  and  $S_1 = \{v_1\}$  is not a separator in  $G^+$ . Therefore, the operation deletes  $K_1$  and  $S_1$  and moves  $v_1$  from  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$  into  $T_{a+b}(K)$  because  $v_1$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K$  in  $G^+$  (Figure 4c). If  $v_2$  is the only vertex in  $G_2$ , the operation does the symmetric action. If  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are the only vertices in  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , respectively, then  $K$  is a connected component of  $G^+$  and  $K$  is an isolated clique node of  $\mathcal{G}^+$ . Thus, in every case the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^+$  and correctly updates the balanced binary trees.  $\square$

**Theorem 7** *Let  $G$  be a proper interval graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in the same connected component of  $G$ . If  $G^+ = G + \{v_1, v_2\}$  is a proper interval graph, the Insert operation computes its clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}^+$ , and otherwise, the operation rejects.*

**Proof** Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in a connected component of  $G$  with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{P}$ . Suppose  $S$  does not exist. Then  $G^+$  is not a chordal graph by Theorem 5 and the operation rejects. Suppose  $S$  exists (Figure 5a). Then  $G^+$  is a chordal graph. We will show that the operation rejects if and only if  $G^+$  has an induced claw.

Suppose the operation rejects. Assume  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S'_1)$ ; the  $v_2$  case is symmetric. Suppose  $|T_{a+b}(K_1)| > 0$ . Let  $v'_1$  be a simplicial vertex of  $K_1$ . Then  $v'_1 \notin S$  and thus  $v'_1$  is not adjacent to  $v_2$ . Let  $v''_1 \in K'_1 - S'_1$  where  $K'_1$  is the left neighbor of  $S'_1$ . Then  $v''_1$  is adjacent to neither  $v'_1$  nor  $v_2$ . Now  $v_1$  is adjacent to  $v''_1$  and  $v'_1$  (since  $v_1 \in S'_1$ ) and adjacent to  $v_2$  in  $G^+$ . Therefore,  $\{v_1, v''_1, v'_1, v_2\}$  is an induced claw in  $G^+$ . Suppose  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) <_P \text{leftmost}(u)$  for the last vertex  $u$  in  $T_r(S'_1)$ . Let  $\hat{K}$  be the left neighbor of  $\hat{S} = \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ . Let  $\hat{v} \in \hat{K} - \hat{S}$ . Then  $\hat{v}$  is adjacent to neither  $u$  nor  $v_2$ . Moreover,  $u$  is not adjacent to  $v_2$ . Now  $v_1$  is adjacent to  $\hat{v}, u$ , and  $v_2$  in  $G^+$ . Therefore,  $\{v_1, \hat{v}, u, v_2\}$  is an induced claw in  $G^+$ .

Conversely, suppose  $G^+$  has an induced claw. Since  $G$  has no induced claw,  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  must be adjacent vertices in the claw in  $G^+$ . Assume  $v_1$  is the degree-3 vertex in the claw; the  $v_2$  case is symmetric. Then  $\{v_1, v_2, u, u'\}$  is the induced claw for some  $u$  and  $u'$ . Since  $v_1$  has nonadjacent neighbors  $u$  and  $u'$ ,  $v_1$  is not in  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$ . Then  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S'_1)$ . Let  $\hat{K}$  be the left neighbor of  $\hat{S} = \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ . Note  $S'_1 = \text{rightmost}(v_1)$ . Since  $u$  and  $u'$  are adjacent to  $v_1$  in  $G$ ,  $u$  and  $u'$  are contained in nodes to the left of  $S$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . (Since  $u$  and  $u'$  are not adjacent to  $v_2$ , neither is contained in  $S$ .) Since  $G$  satisfies Theorem 2,  $u$  is not a simplicial vertex of any clique node

between  $\hat{S}$  and  $S'_1$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ , although  $u$  may be a simplicial vertex of  $\hat{K}$  or  $K_1$ . Similarly,  $u$  is not a complex vertex such that  $\hat{S} <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(u)$  and  $\text{rightmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} S'_1$ . The same is true for  $u'$ . Since  $u$  and  $u'$  are adjacent to  $v_1$ , it follows that  $u \in \hat{K}$  and  $u' \in K_1$ , or vice versa. Suppose the former holds. If  $u'$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K_1$ , then the operation rejects. Otherwise,  $u'$  is a complex vertex in  $T_r(S'_1)$ . Then since  $u'$  is not adjacent to  $u$ ,  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(u')$ . Then  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(w)$  for the last vertex  $w$  in  $T_r(S'_1)$ . Therefore, the operation rejects.

Assuming the operation does not reject, we next show that it correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^+$ . Recall the relationship between the clique path of  $G$  and the clique-separator graph of  $G$  (see Subsection 2.2). If  $|K_1 - S| > 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| > 1$ , then  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are maximal cliques of  $G^+$ . Modify  $P$  by inserting  $K$  between  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . Then the modified path  $P^+$  is a clique path of  $G^+$ . Then  $G^+$  is an interval graph, and since  $G^+$  has no induced claw,  $G^+$  is a proper interval graph. Then by inserting the separator node  $K' \cap K''$  between every two consecutive clique nodes  $K'$  and  $K''$  on  $P^+$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{P}^+$ . Since  $S_1 = K_1 \cap K$  and  $S_2 = K \cap K_2$ , the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{P}^+$  (Figure 5b). If  $|K_1 - S| = 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| = 1$ , then  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are not maximal cliques of  $G^+$ . Modify  $P$  by replacing  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  with  $K$ . Then the modified path  $P^+$  is a clique path of  $G^+$  and as above, we can readily show that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{P}^+$  (Figure 5c). If  $|K_1 - S| = 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| > 1$ , or vice versa, similar arguments show that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{P}^+$ .

We next show that in every case the operation correctly updates the balanced binary trees. Suppose  $|K_1 - S| > 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| > 1$  (Figure 5b). Recall that  $S_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$  and  $K = S \cup \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $S_2 = S \cup \{v_2\}$ . Then for every vertex  $u$  in  $T_l(S)$ ,  $\text{leftmost}(u) = S$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\text{leftmost}(u) = S_1$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ . Therefore, step 1 does  $T_l(S_1) \leftarrow T_l(S)$ , and likewise,  $T_r(S_2) \leftarrow T_r(S)$ . Since  $K$  has no simplicial vertices,  $T_{a+b}(K) = \emptyset$ . Then after step 1, the vertices are stored correctly except for  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , which we consider shortly.

The value  $\text{count}(K)$  is the number of vertices  $v$  such that  $\text{leftmost}(v) <_{\mathcal{P}^+} K <_{\mathcal{P}^+} \text{rightmost}(v)$ . This equals the sum of (1) the number of vertices in  $T_l(S_1)$  plus the number of vertices in  $T_r(S_2)$  minus the number of vertices in both  $T_l(S_1)$  and  $T_r(S_2)$ , and (2) the number of vertices  $u$  such that  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} K_1$  and  $K_2 <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{rightmost}(u)$ . Let  $\text{self}(S)$  be the number of vertices  $v$  with  $\text{leftmost}(v) = \text{rightmost}(v) = S$  in  $\mathcal{P}$ . Then (1) equals  $|T_l(S_1)| + |T_r(S_2)| - \text{self}(S)$  because every vertex in both  $T_l(S)$  and  $T_r(S)$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  becomes a vertex in both  $T_l(S_1)$  and  $T_r(S_2)$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ . And (2) equals  $\text{count}(K_1) - (|T_r(S)| - \text{self}(S))$  because  $|T_r(S)| - \text{self}(S)$  is the number of vertices  $w$  such that  $\text{leftmost}(w) <_{\mathcal{P}} K_1$  and  $\text{rightmost}(w) = S$ . Now  $|T_r(S)|$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  equals  $|T_r(S_2)|$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ . Then  $\text{count}(K) = |T_l(S_1)| + |T_r(S_2)| - \text{self}(S) + \text{count}(K_1) - (|T_r(S_2)| - \text{self}(S)) = \text{count}(K_1) + |T_l(S_1)|$ . (By symmetry, this equals  $\text{count}(K_2) + |T_r(S_2)|$ .)

If  $v_1$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_1)$ , then step 2 moves  $v_1$  to  $T_{l+r}(S_1)$  because it is a complex vertex with  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) = \text{rightmost}(v_1) = S_1$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ . If  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S'_1)$ , then step 2 moves  $v_1$  to  $T_r(S_1)$  because it is a complex vertex with  $\text{rightmost}(v_1) = S_1$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ ; since  $\text{rightmost}(v_1)$  changed, we may need to move  $v_1$  in  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$  to maintain the sorted order. This is done by the *MoveRight* call. Since  $\text{rightmost}(v_1)$  changed from  $S'_1$  to  $S_1$ ,  $v_1$  is moved to the immediate right of its former block in  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$ . Moreover, since  $v_1$  is the only vertex with  $\text{rightmost}(v_1) = S_1$ ,  $v_1$  forms a new block and  $v_1$  is marked. Therefore, *MoveRight* correctly updates  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$ . The argument for  $v_2$  is symmetric. Thus, the balanced binary trees are updated correctly in this case. In the remaining cases, we will use the following claim.

**Claim** Suppose  $|K_i - S| = 1$  for  $i = 1$  or  $i = 2$ . Then  $v_i$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K_i$  if and only if  $K_i$  is an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

**Proof** Suppose  $|K_1 - S| = 1$ ; the other case is symmetric. Then  $K_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$ . ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $K_1$  is an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ , i.e.,  $K_1$  has no left neighbor. Since  $v_1 \in K_1 - S$ , it follows by the clique intersection property that  $v_1$  is simplicial. ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $v_1$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K_1$ . Then  $K_1$  is the only clique node that contains  $v_1$ . It follows that if  $K_1$  has a left neighbor  $S'$ , then  $S' \subset S$ ,



which implies that  $\mathcal{G}$  has at least one arc. But by Theorem 2, each connected component of  $\mathcal{G}$  has exactly one box and thus  $\mathcal{G}$  has no arcs, a contradiction. Thus,  $K_1$  is an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ .  $\square$

Suppose  $|K_1 - S| = 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| = 1$  (Figure 5c). Then  $K_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$  and  $K_2 = S \cup \{v_2\}$ . Then every vertex  $v$  with  $leftmost(v) = rightmost(v) = S$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ , so the operation does  $T_{a+b}(K) \leftarrow self(T_{l+r}(S))$ . The value  $count(K)$  equals the number of vertices  $u$  such that  $leftmost(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} K_1$  and  $K_2 <_{\mathcal{P}} rightmost(u)$ . This equals  $count(K_1) - (|T_r(S)| - self(S)) = count(K_1) - |nonself(T_r(S))|$ . If  $K_1$  was an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ , then by the claim  $v_1$  was a simplicial vertex of  $K_1$  and  $v_1$  becomes a simplicial vertex of  $K$ , so the operation adds it to  $T_{a+b}(K)$ . Otherwise,  $v_1$  was a complex vertex in  $T_r(S'_1)$  and so  $v_1$  does not need to be moved. Now for every vertex  $u$  in  $nonself(T_r(S))$ ,  $rightmost(u) = S$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $rightmost(u) = S'_1$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ , so the operation does  $T_r(S'_1) \leftarrow T_r(S'_1) \cup nonself(T_r(S))$ . By Lemma 4, the new  $T_r(S'_1)$  is sorted properly. Now for every vertex  $v$  in the old  $nonself(T_r(S))$ , we may need to update  $T_l(leftmost(v))$ .

Let  $x$  be the first vertex in the old  $nonself(T_r(S))$ . Since  $rightmost(x)$  changed from  $S$  to  $S'_1$ , we may need to update  $T_l(leftmost(x))$ . This is done by the *Check* call. Let  $w$  be the rightmost marked vertex in  $T_l(leftmost(x))$  such that  $w \leq x$ . Then  $w$  was the first vertex in the old block of  $T_l(leftmost(x))$  that contained  $x$  and so  $w$  was in the old  $nonself(T_r(S))$ . Then  $rightmost(w)$  changed from  $S$  to  $S'_1$  and now  $rightmost(w) = S'_1$ . Then we should unmark  $w$  if the vertex  $w'$  before  $w$  has  $rightmost(w') = S'_1$ , i.e.,  $w'$  and  $w$  are in the same block. (If  $w'$  is in the same block as  $w$ , then  $w'$  was in the old  $T_r(S'_1)$ .) No other changes are needed in  $T_l(leftmost(x))$ , so *Check* correctly updates  $T_l(leftmost(x))$ .

Let  $y$  be any vertex in the old  $nonself(T_r(S))$  such that  $leftmost(x) \neq leftmost(y)$ . By the choice of  $x$ ,  $leftmost(x) <_{\mathcal{P}} leftmost(y)$  (Figure 9). Note  $rightmost(y)$  changed from  $S$  to  $S'_1$ . Suppose there is a vertex  $w$  in  $T_l(leftmost(y))$  such that  $rightmost(w) = S'_1$  before the operation. Then  $leftmost(x) <_{\mathcal{P}} leftmost(y) = leftmost(w)$  and  $rightmost(w) <_{\mathcal{P}} rightmost(x)$  before the operation, which contradicts Lemma 4. Therefore,  $w$  does not exist. Then after  $rightmost(y)$  changed from  $S$  to  $S'_1$ , we do not need to update  $T_l(leftmost(y))$ . We conclude that the operation correctly processes  $K_1$ . The argument for  $K_2$  is symmetric except that in the *Check* call,  $x$  is the first vertex in the old  $T_l(S'_2)$ ,  $w$  is the rightmost marked vertex in  $T_r(rightmost(w))$  such that  $w \leq x$ , and if the vertex  $w'$  before  $w$  is in the same block as  $w$ , then  $w'$  was in the old  $nonself(T_l(S))$ . It follows that in each of the four cases for  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  ( $K_1$  was an endpoint and  $K_2$  was an endpoint, etc.), the balanced binary trees are updated correctly.

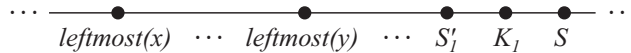


Figure 9: Path  $\mathcal{P}$ .

Suppose  $|K_1 - S| = 1$  and  $|K_2 - S| > 1$  (Figure 5d); the opposite case is symmetric. Then  $K_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$ . Since  $K = K_1 \cup \{v_2\}$  and  $S_2 = S \cup \{v_2\}$ , the algorithm renames  $K_1$  to  $K$  and  $S$  to  $S_2$  and then moves  $v_2$ . Since  $v_2$  is a complex vertex with  $leftmost(v_2) = S_2$  in  $\mathcal{P}^+$ , the operation moves  $v_2$  to  $T_l(S_2)$ . Consider  $v_1$ . If  $K_1$  was an endpoint of  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $v_1$  was a simplicial vertex of  $K_1$ , and otherwise,  $v_1$  was a complex vertex in  $T_r(S'_1)$ . In either case,  $v_1$  does not need to be moved. Moreover,  $count(K)$  does not need to be changed because it equals the old  $count(K_1)$ . Thus, the balanced binary trees are updated correctly in this case, and hence, in every case.  $\square$

## 5 The delete operation

Let  $G$  be a chordal graph (not necessarily a proper interval graph). Throughout this section,  $\{v_1, v_2\} \in E$ . We use  $G - \{v_1, v_2\}$  to denote  $(V, E - \{\{v_1, v_2\}\})$ .

**Theorem 8 ([Iba08])** *Let  $G$  be a chordal graph and let  $\{v_1, v_2\} \in E(G)$ . Then  $G - \{v_1, v_2\}$  is chordal if and only if  $G$  has exactly one maximal clique that contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .*

Suppose  $K$  is the unique maximal clique of  $G$  that contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Then  $K$  is not a maximal clique in  $G - \{v_1, v_2\}$ , and  $K - \{v_1\}$  and  $K - \{v_2\}$ , which are not maximal cliques in  $G$ , may be maximal cliques in  $G - \{v_1, v_2\}$ . Furthermore,  $K - \{v_1\}$  and  $K - \{v_2\}$  are the only maximal cliques that can be created by deleting  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  [Iba08]. For example, consider the chordal graph  $G$  in Figure 1. Deleting edge  $\{y, z\}$  yields a non-chordal graph because two maximal cliques of  $G$  contain both  $y$  and  $z$ . Deleting edge  $\{x, y\}$  yields a chordal graph because  $\{x, y, z\}$  is the unique maximal clique of  $G$  that contains both  $x$  and  $y$ . Moreover,  $\{x, z\}$  but not  $\{y, z\}$  is a maximal clique in  $G - \{x, y\}$ .

Let  $G$  be a proper interval graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  be the edge to be deleted from  $G$ . Since  $\{v_1, v_2\} \in E$ , at least one clique node contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . The operation decides whether  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are simplicial or complex vertices and then determines which of a number of cases applies. We omit the symmetric cases. If  $G - \{v_1, v_2\}$  is not a proper interval graph, then the operation rejects the deletion, and otherwise, the operation computes the clique-separator graph of  $G - \{v_1, v_2\}$ . Keep in mind that  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge of  $G$  if and only if  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a maximal clique of  $G$  (see Subsection 2.2).

*Delete*( $v_1, v_2$ ):

Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be vertices in a connected component of  $G$  with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{P}$ . If  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge of  $G$ , then  $\mathcal{P}$  splits into  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ , and the reversal  $\mathcal{P}^R$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  splits into  $\mathcal{P}_2^R$  and  $\mathcal{P}_1^R$ .

**$v_1$  is simplicial and  $v_2$  is simplicial:** Then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in  $T_{a+b}(K)$  for some  $K$ .

We have three cases. If  $K$  has at least one neighbor in  $\mathcal{P}$ , then reject. If  $K$  has no neighbors in  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $|K| > 2$ , then replace  $K$  with path  $(K_1, \bar{S}, K_2)$  and do  $T_{a+b}(K_1) \leftarrow \{v_1\}$  and  $T_{a+b}(K_2) \leftarrow \{v_2\}$  and  $T_{l+r}(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_{a+b}(K) - \{v_1, v_2\}$ . If  $K$  has no neighbors in  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $|K| = 2$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge; replace  $K$  with clique nodes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  and do  $T_{a+b}(K_1) \leftarrow \{v_1\}$  and  $T_{a+b}(K_2) \leftarrow \{v_2\}$ .

**$v_1$  is complex and  $v_2$  is simplicial:** Then  $v_1$  is in  $T_l(\hat{S})$  and  $T_r(S)$  for some  $\hat{S}$  and  $S$  and  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K)$  for some  $K$ . If  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$  or right neighbor  $\hat{S}$ , and  $K$  is a leaf of  $\mathcal{P}$ , then continue, and otherwise, reject. Assume  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$ .

If  $|T_a(K)| > 1$ , then do Case 1a.

If  $|T_a(K)| = 1$  and  $|K| > 2$ , then do Case 1b.

If  $|T_a(K)| = 1$  and  $|K| = 2$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge. Insert  $v_1$  into  $T_{a+b}(K')$ , where  $K'$  is the left neighbor of  $S$ , and delete  $S$  from  $\mathcal{P}$ .

**$v_1$  is complex and  $v_2$  is complex:** Then  $v_1$  is in  $T_l(\hat{S})$  and  $T_r(S)$  for some  $\hat{S}$  and  $S$  and  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S')$  and  $T_r(S'')$  for some  $S'$  and  $S''$ . If there is a clique node  $K$  with left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$ , or left neighbor  $S''$  and right neighbor  $\hat{S}$ , then continue, and otherwise, reject. Assume  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$ .

If  $|T_a(K)| > 0$ , then do Case 2a.

If  $|T_a(K)| = 0$  and  $|K| > 2$ , then do Case 2b.

If  $|T_a(K)| = 0$  and  $|K| = 2$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge. Insert  $v_1$  into  $T_{a+b}(K')$  and insert  $v_2$  into  $T_{a+b}(K'')$ , where  $K'$  is the left neighbor of  $S$  and  $K''$  is the right neighbor of  $S'$ , and delete  $S, K$ , and  $S'$  from  $\mathcal{P}$ .



We have considered all the cases where  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge, so henceforth we assume  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is not a cut edge. Then  $|K| > 2$ . Let  $K_1 = K - \{v_2\}$ ,  $K_2 = K - \{v_1\}$ , and  $\bar{S} = K - \{v_1, v_2\}$ .

**Case 1:  $K$  is a leaf with left neighbor  $S$**

Figure 2a shows  $\mathcal{P}$  in Case 1. Figure 10 shows  $\mathcal{P}^-$  in each subcase of Case 1.

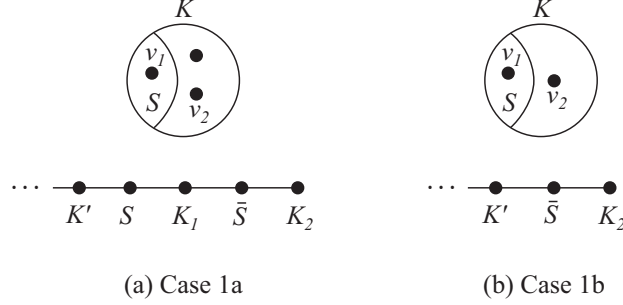


Figure 10:  $K$  is a leaf with left neighbor  $S$ .

**Case 1a:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K)$ , and  $|T_a(K)| > 1$  (Figure 10a). If  $u$  is the first vertex in  $T_r(S)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ , then reject. Replace  $K$  with path  $(K_1, \bar{S}, K_2)$ . Intuitively, the complex vertices with *rightmost* node  $S$  become complex vertices with *rightmost* node  $\bar{S}$  and the simplicial vertices in  $K$  become complex vertices with *leftmost* and *rightmost* node  $\bar{S}$ .

1.  $T_{a+b}(K_1) \leftarrow \emptyset$  and  $\text{count}(K_1) \leftarrow |T_r(S)| - 1$ .  
 $T_{a+b}(K_2) \leftarrow \{v_2\}$  and  $\text{count}(K_2) \leftarrow 0$ .
2.  $T_r(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_r(S) \cup (T_a(K) - v_2)$ .  
 $T_l(\bar{S}) \leftarrow (T_b(K) - v_2)$ .
3. Move  $v_1$  from  $T_r(\bar{S})$  to  $T_r(S)$ . Call  $\text{MoveLeft}(v_1, T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1)))$ .

**Case 1b:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K)$ , and  $|T_a(K)| = 1$  (Figure 10b). If  $u$  is the first vertex in  $T_r(S)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ , then reject. Rename  $S$  to  $\bar{S}$  and rename  $K$  to  $K_2$ . Intuitively,  $S$  becomes  $\bar{S}$  and  $K$  becomes  $K_2$  when  $v_1$  is removed. Let  $K'$  be the left neighbor of  $S$  and let  $S^l$  be the left neighbor of  $K'$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) = \bar{S}$ , move  $v_1$  from  $T_{l+r}(\bar{S})$  to  $T_{a+b}(K')$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) \neq \bar{S}$ , move  $v_1$  from  $T_r(\bar{S})$  to  $T_r(S^l)$  (make it the last vertex in  $T_r(S^l)$ ), decrement  $\text{count}(K')$ , and call  $\text{MoveLeft}(v_1, T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1)))$ .

**Case 2:  $K$  is an internal node with left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$**

Figure 2b shows  $\mathcal{P}$  in Case 2. Figure 11 shows  $\mathcal{P}^-$  in each subcase of Case 2.

**Case 2a:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S')$ , and  $|T_a(K)| > 0$  (Figure 11a). If  $u$  is the first vertex in  $T_r(S)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ , or if  $u$  is the last vertex in  $T_l(S')$  and  $\text{rightmost}(v_2) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{rightmost}(u)$ , then reject. Replace  $K$  with path  $(K_1, \bar{S}, K_2)$ . Intuitively, the complex vertices with *rightmost* node  $S$  or *leftmost* node  $S'$  become complex vertices with *rightmost* node  $\bar{S}$  or *leftmost* node  $\bar{S}$ , respectively, and the simplicial vertices in  $K$  become complex vertices with *leftmost* and *rightmost* node  $\bar{S}$ .

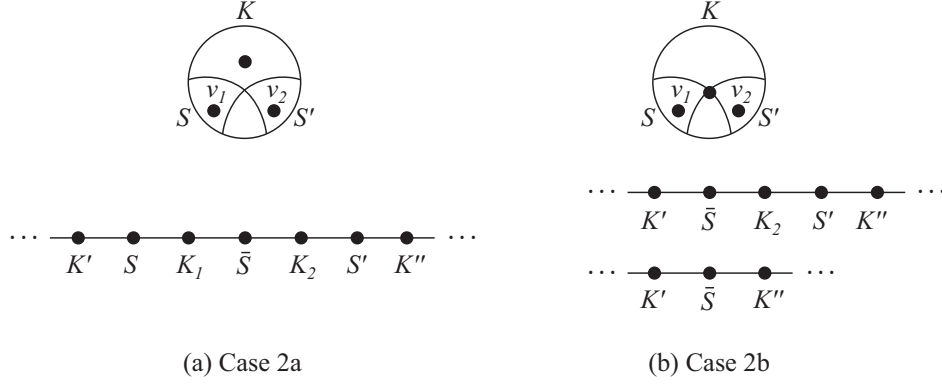


Figure 11:  $K$  is an internal node with left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$ .

1.  $T_{a+b}(K_1) \leftarrow \emptyset$  and  $\text{count}(K_1) \leftarrow \text{count}(K) + |T_r(S)| - 1$ .  
 $T_{a+b}(K_2) \leftarrow \emptyset$  and  $\text{count}(K_2) \leftarrow \text{count}(K) + |T_l(S')| - 1$ .
2.  $T_r(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_r(S) \cup T_a(K)$ .  
 $T_l(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_b(K) \cup T_l(S')$ .
3. Move  $v_1$  from  $T_r(\bar{S})$  to  $T_r(S)$ . Call  $\text{MoveLeft}(v_1, T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1)))$ .  
Move  $v_2$  from  $T_l(\bar{S})$  to  $T_l(S')$ . Call  $\text{MoveRight}(v_2, T_r(\text{rightmost}(v_2)))$ .

**Case 2b:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S')$ , and  $|T_a(K)| = 0$  (Figure 11b). If  $u$  is the first vertex in  $T_r(S)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ , or if  $u$  is the last vertex in  $T_l(S')$  and  $\text{rightmost}(v_2) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{rightmost}(u)$ , then reject. To shorten the presentation, we will create several nodes and then, in certain cases, delete some of them. The operation can be readily rewritten so that it creates only the nodes that are not deleted. Do Case 2a. Note  $T_a(K) = \emptyset$  and  $T_b(K) = \emptyset$ . If  $|S' - S| > 1$  and  $|S - S'| > 1$ , then stop. Let  $K'$  be the left neighbor of  $S$  and let  $S^l$  be the left neighbor of  $K'$  (if it exists).

If  $|S' - S| = 1$ , then do the following. Intuitively,  $v_1$  is removed from  $S$ , which is then deleted. If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) = S$ , move  $v_1$  from  $T_{l+r}(S)$  to  $T_{a+b}(K')$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) \neq S$ , move  $v_1$  from  $T_r(S)$  to  $T_r(S^l)$  (make it the last vertex in  $T_r(S^l)$ ), decrement  $\text{count}(K')$ , and call  $\text{MoveLeft}(v_1, T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1)))$ . Delete  $S$  and  $K_1$  and add edge  $\{K', \bar{S}\}$ . Do  $T_l(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_l(S)$ . If  $|S - S'| = 1$ , then do the symmetric action with  $S'$ ,  $K_2$ , and  $v_2$ .

In Figure 11b, the top path shows the case  $|S' - S| = 1$  and  $|S - S'| > 1$ , and the bottom path shows the case  $|S' - S| = 1$  and  $|S - S'| = 1$ .

### End Delete

We show how the operation deletes four edges individually from the graph  $G$  in Figure 12a. (a) In  $\text{Delete}(y, z)$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  are simplicial vertices of  $K_4$ . Since  $K_4$  has a neighbor in  $\mathcal{P}$ , the operation rejects. Note  $G - \{y, z\}$  is not a proper interval graph since it has the claw  $\{x, y, z, w\}$ . (b) In  $\text{Delete}(x, z)$ ,  $x$  is complex and  $z$  is simplicial;  $x$  is in  $T_r(S_3)$  and  $z$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K_4)$ , where  $K_4$  has left neighbor  $S_3$ . Since  $|T_a(K_4)| > 1$ , the operation does Case 1a. It replaces  $K_4$  with the path  $(K'_1, \bar{S}, K'_2)$ , where  $K'_1 = \{x, y\}$ ,  $\bar{S} = \{y\}$ , and  $K'_2 = \{y, z\}$  (Figure 12b), and sets  $\text{count}(K'_1) = 1 - 1 = 0$  and  $\text{count}(K'_2) = 0$  (c) In  $\text{Delete}(v, x)$ ,  $v$  is complex and  $x$  is complex;  $v$  is in  $T_r(S_2)$  and  $x$  is in  $T_l(S_3)$ , where  $K_3$  has neighbors  $S_2$  and  $S_3$ . Since  $|T_a(K_3)| = 0$  and  $|K_3| > 2$ , the operation does Case 2b. Since  $|S_2 - S_3| > 1$  and  $|S_3 - S_2| = 1$ ,  $K'_1 = \{w, v\}$  is not a maximal clique and

(a)  $G$ :

(b)  $G^+$ :

(c)  $G^+$ :

$\mathcal{P}$ :

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As additional examples, we can delete the edges that were inserted in the examples for the *Insert* operation. Deleting  $\{w, z\}$  from  $G^+$  in Figure 6b, we have Case 2b with  $|S' - S| = 1$  and  $|S - S'| = 1$ . Deleting  $\{u, x\}$  from  $G^+$  in Figure 6c, we have Case 2a. In both deletions, we obtain the clique-separator graph in Figure 6a.

**Theorem 9** *Let  $G$  be a proper interval graph with clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}$ . If  $G^- = G - \{v_1, v_2\}$  is a proper interval graph, the Delete operation computes its clique-separator graph  $\mathcal{G}^-$ , and otherwise, the operation rejects.*

**Case 3a:**  $v_1 \notin S$  and  $v_2 \notin S$  (Figure 13a). Let  $u \in S$  and  $v_3 \in K' - S$  be any vertices. Then  $\{u, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an induced claw in  $G^-$ .

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**Case 3c:**  $v_1 \in S \cap S'$  and  $v_2 \notin S \cup S'$  (Figure 13c). Let  $u \in S - S'$  and let  $u' \in S' - S$ . Then  $\{u, u', v_1\}$  and  $\{u, u', v_2\}$  are triangles. Let  $w' \in K' - S$  and let  $w'' \in K'' - S$ . Since  $v_2$  is adjacent to neither  $w'$  nor  $w''$ ,  $\{u, u', v_1, v_2, w', w''\}$  is an induced Hajós-graph in  $G^-$ . Since the Hajós-graph is not an interval graph [MM99],  $G^-$  is not an interval graph.

**Case 3d:**  $v_1 \in S - S'$  and  $v_2 \notin S \cup S'$  (Figure 13d). Let  $u \in S' - S$  and  $v_3 \in K'' - S'$  be any vertices. Then  $\{u, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an induced claw in  $G^-$ .

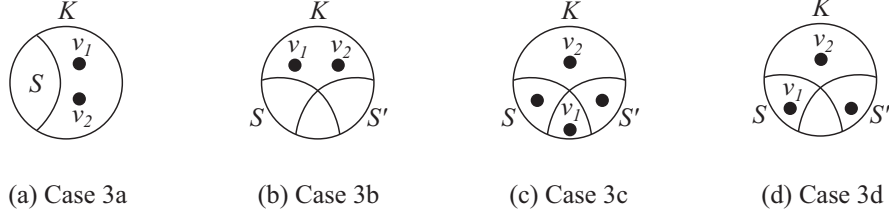


Figure 13: The rejection cases.

Next we consider the first part of the operation and show that it either correctly identifies the correct case or rejects because  $G^-$  is not a proper interval graph.

**$v_1$  is simplicial and  $v_2$  is simplicial:** If  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are simplicial vertices of different clique nodes, then no clique node contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , a contradiction. Then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in  $T_{a+b}(K)$  for some  $K$ . In the first case, we have Case 3a or Case 3b so the operation rejects. In the second case,  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is not a cut edge and  $K$  is a connected component of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $K_1 = K - \{v_2\}$  and  $K_2 = K - \{v_1\}$  are maximal cliques of  $G^-$  and their intersection is  $\bar{S} = K - \{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then  $K$  is replaced by clique nodes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ , which are adjacent to separator node  $\bar{S}$ . In the third case,  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge and  $K$  is a connected component of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $K$  is replaced by clique nodes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  that contain only  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , respectively.

**$v_1$  is complex and  $v_2$  is simplicial:** Suppose  $K$  is between  $\hat{S}$  and  $S$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . Then  $v_1$  is contained in both neighbors of  $K$  and we have Case 3c, so the operation rejects. Suppose  $K$  is not between  $\hat{S}$  and  $S$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . Since  $K$  is the only clique node that contains  $v_2$ ,  $K$  must also contain  $v_1$ . Then by the clique intersection property,  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$  or right neighbor  $\hat{S}$ . Assume  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$ . If  $K$  is an internal node, then we have Case 3d and the operation rejects. If  $K$  is a leaf, then we have Case 1a or Case 1b or  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge.

Suppose  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge. Then  $K = \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $S = \{v_1\}$  (Figure 14). If  $\hat{S} \neq S$ , then  $v_1$  is contained in at least two separator nodes of  $\mathcal{G}$ , which implies  $\{v_1\}$  is properly contained in at least one separator node of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $\mathcal{G}$  has an arc, contradicting Theorem 2. Thus,  $\hat{S} = S$ . Then  $S$  is the only separator node of  $\mathcal{G}$  that contains  $v_1$ . Then  $v_1$  is a simplicial vertex of  $K'$  in  $\mathcal{G}^-$  and  $\text{count}(K') = 0$ . Therefore, the operation inserts  $v_1$  into  $T_{a+b}(K')$  and deletes  $S$  from  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $K$  is an isolated node of  $\mathcal{G}^-$  and  $v_2$  is the only vertex in  $T_{a+b}(K)$ , which is correct since  $v_2$  is an isolated vertex in  $G^-$ . Thus, the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . (Note that if  $\hat{S} \neq S$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  cannot be a cut edge.)

**$v_1$  is complex and  $v_2$  is complex:** If the  $\hat{S}$ - $S$  and  $S'$ - $S''$  subpaths of  $\mathcal{P}$  are not vertex-disjoint, then there is at least one separator node that contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , which means there are at least two clique nodes that contain both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Then  $G^-$  is not chordal by Theorem 8. In this case, the operation rejects because it doesn't find  $K$ . Suppose the  $\hat{S}$ - $S$  and  $S'$ - $S''$  subpaths of  $\mathcal{P}$  are vertex-disjoint. There exists a clique node  $K$  that contains both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ,

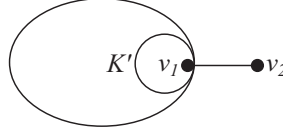


Figure 14:  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge of  $G$  and  $K$  is a leaf of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

and by the clique intersection property,  $K$  is a neighbor of  $S$  and  $S'$ , or a neighbor of  $S''$  and  $\hat{S}$ . Assume  $K$  has left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$ . Then the operation finds  $K$  and we have Case 2a or Case 2b or  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge.

Suppose  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge. Then  $K = \{v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $S = \{v_1\}$ , and  $S' = \{v_2\}$  (Figure 15). If  $\hat{S} \neq S$  or  $S' \neq S''$ , then an argument similar to the one above shows that  $\{v_1\}$  or  $\{v_2\}$  is a separator node properly contained in at least one separator node of  $\mathcal{G}$ , respectively. Then  $\mathcal{G}$  has an arc, contradicting Theorem 2. Thus,  $\hat{S} = S$  and  $S' = S''$ . Then  $S$  is the only separator node of  $\mathcal{G}$  that contains  $v_1$  and  $S'$  is the only separator node of  $\mathcal{G}$  that contains  $v_2$ . Then  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are simplicial vertices of  $K'$  and  $K''$  in  $\mathcal{G}^-$ , respectively, and  $\text{count}(K') = \text{count}(K'') = 0$ . Therefore, the operation inserts  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  into  $T_{a+b}(K')$  and  $T_{a+b}(K'')$ , respectively. The operation deletes  $S, K$ , and  $S'$  from  $\mathcal{G}$ , so  $K'$  and  $K''$  are leaves in  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . Thus, the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . (Note that if  $\hat{S} \neq S$  or  $S' \neq S''$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  cannot be a cut edge.)

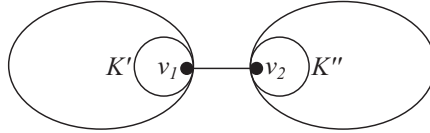


Figure 15:  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a cut edge of  $G$  and  $K$  is an internal node of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

Next we consider the second part of the operation. In each case, we show that if  $G^-$  is a proper interval graph, then the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ , and otherwise, the operation rejects. Recall that  $|K| > 2$  and  $K_1 = K - \{v_2\}$ ,  $K_2 = K - \{v_1\}$ , and  $\bar{S} = K - \{v_1, v_2\}$ .

**Case 1:  $K$  is a leaf with left neighbor  $S$**

Let  $K'$  be the left neighbor of  $S$  (Figure 2a).

**Case 1a:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K)$ , and  $|T_a(K)| > 1$  (Figure 10a). Suppose the operation rejects. Then  $u$  is the first vertex in  $T_r(S)$  and  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ . Let  $\hat{K}$  be the left neighbor of  $\hat{S} = \text{leftmost}(u)$ . Let  $v_3 \in \hat{K} - \hat{S}$ . Then  $v_3$  is adjacent to  $u$  but adjacent to neither  $v_1$  nor  $v_2$ . Then  $\{u, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an induced claw in  $G^-$ . Conversely, suppose  $G^-$  has an induced claw. Since  $G$  has no induced claw,  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  must be two of the three pairwise nonadjacent vertices in the claw. Let  $\{u, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  be the induced claw for some  $u$  and  $v_3$  such that  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_1, v_2$ , and  $v_3$ . Since  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_3 \notin K$ ,  $u$  is not a simplicial vertex of  $K$ . Since  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_2$ ,  $u \in S$  and so  $u$  is in  $T_r(S)$ . Now since  $v_3$  is not adjacent to  $v_1$ ,  $v_3$  is contained only in nodes to the left of  $\text{leftmost}(v_1)$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . Then since  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_3$ ,  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ . Then by the sorted order of  $T_r(S)$ , the operation rejects.

Assuming the operation does not reject, we next show that it correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . Recall the relationship between the clique path of  $G$  and the clique-separator graph of  $G$  (see Subsection 2.2). Since  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  each contain at least one simplicial vertex of  $G$ ,  $K_1$  and

$K_2$  are maximal cliques in  $G^-$ . Modify  $P$  by replacing  $K$  with path  $(K_1, K_2)$ . Then the modified path  $P^-$  is a clique path of  $G^-$ , which implies that  $G^-$  is an interval graph. Since  $G^-$  has no induced claw,  $G^-$  is a proper interval graph. Then by inserting the separator node  $K'' \cap K'''$  between every two consecutive clique nodes  $K''$  and  $K'''$  on  $P^-$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . Since  $S = K' \cap K_1$  and  $\bar{S} = K_1 \cap K_2$ , it follows that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ .

Next we show that the operation correctly updates the balanced binary trees. We consider each step in turn. 1. Since  $v_2$  is the only simplicial vertex of  $K$  that is a simplicial vertex in  $G^-$ , we have  $T_{a+b}(K_1) \leftarrow \emptyset$  and  $T_{a+b}(K_2) \leftarrow \{v_2\}$ . Since  $|T_r(S)| - 1$  vertices change their *rightmost* node from  $S$  to  $\bar{S}$  (see below), we have  $\text{count}(K_1) \leftarrow |T_r(S)| - 1$ . 2. Since  $\bar{S} = K - \{v_1, v_2\}$ , the following holds. For every  $v \neq v_1$  in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $\text{rightmost}(v)$  changes from  $S$  to  $\bar{S}$ . For every  $v \neq v_2$  in  $T_a(K)$ ,  $v$  becomes a complex vertex with  $\text{leftmost}(v) = \text{rightmost}(v) = \bar{S}$ . Thus, we have  $T_r(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_r(S) \cup (T_a(K) - v_2)$  and  $T_l(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_b(K) - v_2$ . 3. Since  $\text{rightmost}(v_1) = S$ ,  $v_1$  is moved from  $T_r(\bar{S})$  to  $T_r(S)$ . Every vertex  $v$  with  $\text{leftmost}(v) = S$  still has  $\text{leftmost}(v) = S$ , so  $T_l(S)$  is unchanged. Lastly, we consider the sorted order of the  $T_l$  trees. Since every vertex in  $T_r(S)$  was moved to  $T_r(\bar{S})$  and then  $v_1$  was moved to  $T_r(S)$ , we need to update the sorted order of only  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$ . This is done by the *MoveLeft* call, which moves  $v_1$  to the immediate left of its former block in  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$  and marks  $v_1$ .

**Case 1b:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_{a+b}(K)$ , and  $|T_a(K)| = 1$  (Figure 10b). By the same argument as the previous case, the operation rejects if and only if  $G^-$  has an induced claw. Assuming the operation does not reject, we will show that it correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . First,  $K_1$  is not a maximal clique of  $G^-$  because  $K_1 = S \subset K'$ . Second,  $K_2$  is a maximal clique of  $G^-$  because  $v_2$  is a simplicial vertex of  $G$ . Modify the clique path  $P$  of  $G$  by replacing  $K$  with  $K_2$ . Then the modified path is a clique path of  $G^-$ . Then as in the previous case,  $G^-$  is a proper interval graph. Since  $\bar{S} = K' \cap K_2$ , it follows that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ .

Next we show that the operation correctly updates the balanced binary trees. Since  $v_2$  was the only simplicial vertex in  $K$ ,  $v_2$  is the only simplicial vertex in  $K_2$  and no changes to  $T_{a+b}(K_2)$  are necessary. We have two cases for  $v_1$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) = \bar{S}$ , then  $v_1$  is moved from  $T_{l+r}(\bar{S})$  to  $T_{a+b}(K')$  because  $v_1$  becomes a simplicial vertex of  $K'$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) \neq \bar{S}$ , then  $v_1$  is moved from  $T_r(\bar{S})$  to  $T_r(S')$  because  $\text{rightmost}(v_1)$  becomes  $S'$ ;  $v_1$  is made the last vertex in  $T_r(S')$  and by Lemma 4, the new  $T_r(S')$  is sorted properly. The *MoveLeft* call moves  $v_1$  to the immediate left of its former block in  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$  and unmarks  $v_1$  if it is in the same block as the vertex before  $v_1$  in  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$ .

**Case 2:**  $K$  is an internal node with left neighbor  $S$  and right neighbor  $S'$

Let  $K'$  be the left neighbor of  $S$  and let  $K''$  be the right neighbor of  $S'$  (Figure 2b).

**Case 2a:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S')$ , and  $|T_a(K)| > 0$  (Figure 11a). Suppose the operation rejects. Then an argument similar to the one in Case 1a shows that  $G^-$  has an induced claw. Conversely, suppose  $G^-$  has an induced claw. Since  $G$  has no induced claw,  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  must be two of the three pairwise nonadjacent vertices in the claw. Let  $\{u, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  be the induced claw for some  $u$  and  $v_3$  such that  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_1, v_2$ , and  $v_3$ . Since  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_3 \notin K$ ,  $u$  is not a simplicial vertex of  $K$ . Since  $v_3$  is not adjacent to  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , it follows that  $v_3$  is contained only in nodes (1) to the left of  $\text{leftmost}(v_1)$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ , or (2) to the right of  $\text{rightmost}(v_2)$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . Assume (1) holds. Then since  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_3$ ,  $\text{leftmost}(u) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{leftmost}(v_1)$ . If  $u \in S'$ , then  $\text{rightmost}(v_1) <_{\mathcal{P}} \text{rightmost}(u)$ , which contradicts Lemma 4. Therefore,  $u \notin S'$ . Since  $u$  is adjacent to  $v_2$ ,  $u \in S$  and thus  $u$  is in

$T_r(S)$ . Then by the sorted order of  $T_r(S)$ , the operation rejects. Assume (2) holds. Then the symmetric argument shows that the operation rejects.

Assuming the operation does not reject, we next show that it correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . Since  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  each contain at least one simplicial vertex of  $G$ ,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are maximal cliques in  $G^-$ . Let  $P$  be the clique path of  $G$ . Modify  $P$  by replacing  $K$  with path  $(K_1, K_2)$ . Then the modified path is a clique path of  $G^-$ , which implies that  $G^-$  is an interval graph. Since  $G^-$  has no induced claw,  $G^-$  is a proper interval graph. Since  $S = K' \cap K_1$ ,  $\bar{S} = K_1 \cap K_2$ , and  $S' = K_2 \cap K''$ , it follows that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ .

Next we show that the operation correctly updates the balanced binary trees. We consider each step in turn. 1. Since  $K_1 = \bar{S} \cup \{v_1\}$ ,  $K_1$  contains no simplicial vertices of  $G^-$ . Thus, we have  $T_{a+b}(K_1) \leftarrow \emptyset$ . Since  $|T_r(S)| - 1$  vertices change their *rightmost* node from  $S$  to  $\bar{S}$  (see below), we have  $\text{count}(K_1) \leftarrow \text{count}(K) + |T_r(S)| - 1$ . The  $K_2$  argument is symmetric. 2. Since  $\bar{S} = K - \{v_1, v_2\}$ , the following holds. For every  $v \neq v_1$  in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $\text{rightmost}(v)$  changes from  $S$  to  $\bar{S}$ . For every  $v$  in  $T_a(K)$ ,  $v$  becomes a complex vertex with  $\text{leftmost}(v) = \text{rightmost}(v) = \bar{S}$ . For every  $v \neq v_2$  in  $T_l(S')$ ,  $\text{leftmost}(v)$  changes from  $S'$  to  $\bar{S}$ . Thus, we have  $T_r(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_r(S) \cup T_a(K)$  and  $T_l(\bar{S}) \leftarrow T_b(K) \cup T_l(S')$ . 3. Since  $\text{rightmost}(v_1) = S$ ,  $v_1$  is moved from  $T_r(\bar{S})$  to  $T_r(S)$ . Then the *MoveLeft* call moves  $v_1$  to the immediate left of its former block in  $T_l(\text{leftmost}(v_1))$  and marks  $v_1$ . The  $v_2$  argument is symmetric.

**Case 2b:**  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S)$ ,  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S')$ , and  $|T_a(K)| = 0$  (Figure 11b). By the same argument as in Case 2a, the operation rejects if and only if  $G^-$  has an induced claw. Assuming the operation does not reject, we will show that it correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$ . If  $|S' - S| = 1$ , then  $K_1$  is not a maximal clique in  $G^-$  because  $K_1 = S \subset K'$ . If  $|S' - S| > 1$ , then there exists  $v'_2 \in S' - S$  such that  $v'_2 \neq v_2$  and then  $K_1$  is a maximal clique in  $G^-$  because  $K$  is the only maximal clique in  $G$  that contains both  $v_1$  and  $v'_2$ . Thus,  $|S' - S| > 1$  if and only if  $K_1$  is a maximal clique in  $G^-$ . Similarly,  $|S - S'| > 1$  if and only if  $K_2$  is a maximal clique in  $G^-$ .

Suppose  $|S' - S| > 1$  and  $|S - S'| > 1$ . Then  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are maximal cliques of  $G^-$ . Then the same argument as in Case 2a shows that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$  and correctly updates the balanced binary trees.

Suppose  $|S' - S| = 1$  and  $|S - S'| > 1$ . Then  $K_2$ , but not  $K_1$ , is a maximal clique in  $G^-$ . Then modifying the clique path of  $G$  by replacing  $K$  with  $K_2$  yields the clique path of  $G^-$ . Since  $G^-$  has no induced claw,  $G^-$  is a proper interval graph. Now  $\bar{S} = K' \cap K_2$  because  $\bar{S} \cup \{v_1\} = S \subset K'$  and  $\bar{S} \cup \{v_2\} = K_2$ . Therefore, the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$  (see the top path in Figure 11b). Consider the balanced binary trees. After Case 2a is done,  $T_r(S) = \{v_1\}$ ,  $T_r(\bar{S}) = T_r(S) - v_1$ ,  $T_l(\bar{S}) = T_l(S') - v_2 = \emptyset$  (since  $|S' - S| = 1$ ), and  $T_l(S') = \{v_2\}$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) = S$ , then  $v_1$  is moved from  $T_{l+r}(S)$  to  $T_{a+b}(K')$  because  $v_1$  becomes a simplicial vertex of  $K'$ . If  $\text{leftmost}(v_1) \neq S$ , then  $v_1$  is moved from  $T_r(S)$  to  $T_r(S^l)$  because  $\text{rightmost}(v_1)$  becomes  $S^l$ ; as before the new  $T_r(S^l)$  is sorted properly. Then at the end of Case 2b,  $T_r(\bar{S}) = T_r(S) - v_1$ ,  $T_l(\bar{S}) = T_l(S) - v_1$  ( $v_1$  may not have been in  $T_l(S)$ ), and  $T_{a+b}(K_2) = \emptyset$ . Now  $|S' - S| = 1$  implies  $S - \{v_1\} = \bar{S}$ . Since  $v_1$  is in  $T_r(S')$  or  $T_{a+b}(K')$ , and  $v_2$  is in  $T_l(S')$ , it follows that the operation correctly updates the balanced binary trees. If  $|S' - S| > 1$  and  $|S - S'| = 1$ , the argument is symmetric.

Suppose  $|S' - S| = 1$  and  $|S - S'| = 1$ . Then neither  $K_1$  nor  $K_2$  are maximal cliques in  $G^-$ . Then modifying the clique path of  $G$  by replacing the subpath  $(K', K, K'')$  with  $(K', K'')$  yields a clique path of  $G^-$ . Since  $G^-$  has no induced claw,  $G^-$  is a proper interval graph. Since  $\bar{S} = K' \cap K''$ , it follows that the operation correctly computes  $\mathcal{G}^-$  (see the bottom path

in Figure 11b). Consider the balanced binary trees. After Case 2a is done,  $T_r(S) = \{v_1\}$ ,  $T_r(\bar{S}) = T_r(S) - v_1 = \emptyset$ ,  $T_l(\bar{S}) = T_l(S') - v_2 = \emptyset$ , and  $T_l(S') = \{v_2\}$ . An argument similar to the one above shows that at the end of Case 2b,  $T_r(\bar{S}) = T_r(S) - v_1$  and  $T_l(\bar{S}) = T_l(S) - v_1$ . Therefore, the operation correctly updates the balanced binary trees.  $\square$

## 6 Conclusions

We have presented a fully dynamic graph algorithm for proper interval graphs. Its running time matches the running time of the algorithm in [HSS01] and it maintains the proper interval graph's clique-separator graph instead of its straight enumeration as in [HSS01]. One advantage of the clique-separator graph is that we can compute a Hamiltonian cycle of a proper interval graph from its clique-separator graph; this algorithm has the same  $O(m + n)$  running time as previous algorithms but it is simpler and shorter [Iba09c].

It would be interesting to extend the algorithm and data structure to handle interval graphs. The clique path of an interval graph is not unique, however, so it would probably be necessary to use a more complicated data structure such as the PQ-tree [BL76] or the train tree [Iba09b]. The algorithm in [Iba09b] maintains the clique-separator graph and the train tree of an interval graph in  $O(n \log n)$  per edge insertion or deletion. It may be possible to speed up that algorithm by maintaining the intervals of the vertices as done by the algorithm in this paper.

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