

Let G be a tree with $\Delta \leq 4$.

Question: can G be a unit square graph? Let's call T_k the tree of depth k such that every vertex of G is of degree 4 except the leaves.

T_0 and T_1 are clearly unit square graphs. However, for $k \geq 2$, it is less obvious.

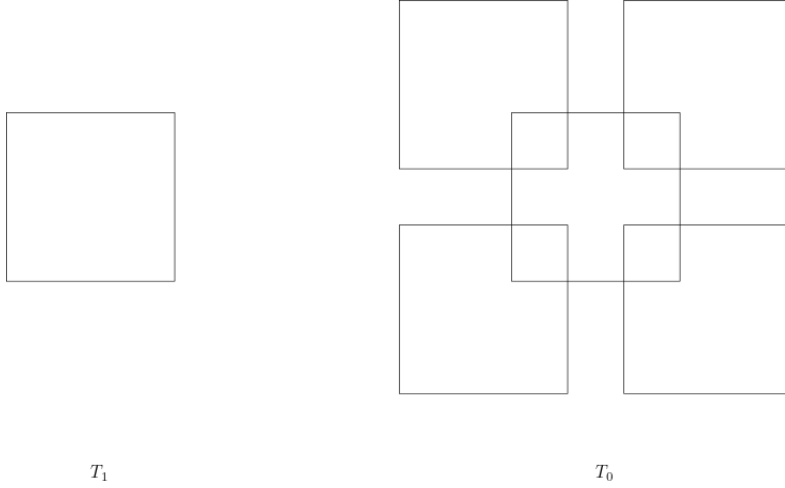


Figure 1: T_0 and T_1 are clearly unit square.

Let's observe that: $|T_k| = \sum_{i=0}^k 4^i$ meaning the number of vertices increase very fast. However, the maximum euclidean distance between the root vertex and any other vertex of the graph linearly depends on k . For instance, with $k = 5$, $|T_k| = 1365$; but a leaf is at most at distance 5 from the root. Therefore, we can