



# Lower-Stretch Spanning Trees

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# Introduction

- Graph Embedding on Tree Metrics

Average  $O(\log^2 n \log \log n)$  stretch.

$$\text{stretch}_T(u, v) = \frac{\text{dist}_T(u, v)}{d(u, v)}$$

$$\text{ave-stretch}_T(E) = \frac{1}{|E|} \sum_{(u, v) \in E} \text{stretch}_T(u, v)$$

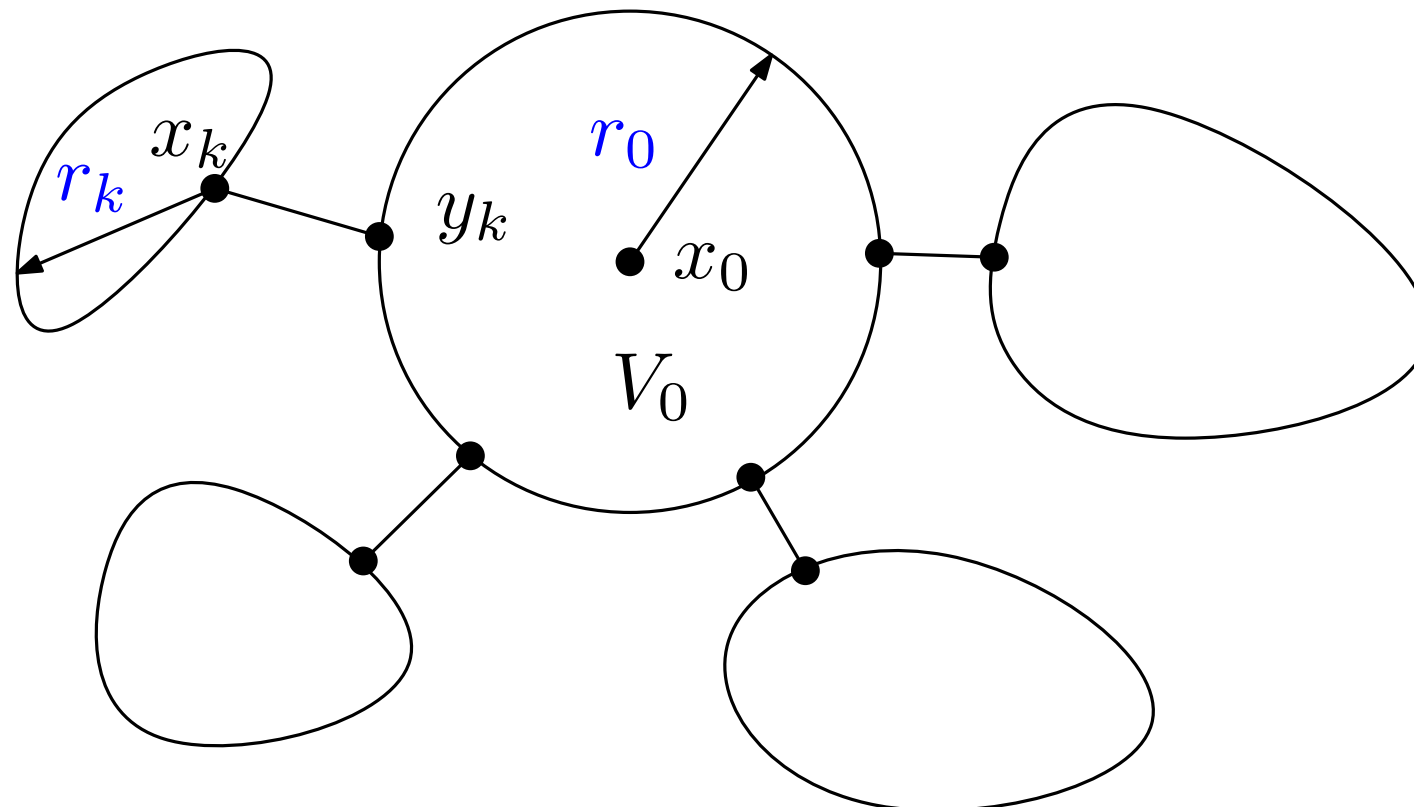
- Star Decomposition

# Notation

- The *boundary* of  $S$ ,  $\partial S$ : the set of edges with exactly one endpoint in  $S$ .
- The *volumn* of a set of edges  $F$ ,  $\text{vol}(F)$ : the size of the set  $F$ .
- The *volumn* of a set of vertices  $S$ ,  $\text{vol}(S)$ : the number of edges incident to  $S$ .
- The *ball shell* around a vertex  $v$ ,  $\text{BS}(r, v)$ : the set of vertices "right" outside  $B(r, v)$ .
- The *cost* (weight) of an edge, the length is  $d(e) = 1/w(e)$ .

# Low-Cost Star-Decomposition

- A multiway partition  $\{V_0, V_1, \dots, V_k\}$  with center  $x_0 \in V_0$  is a *star-decomposition*:
  - subgraphs induced by  $V_i$  are connected.
  - $x_i \in V_i$  is connected to a vertex  $y_i \in V_0$  by an edge  $(x_i, y_i) \in E$ . (*bridge*).



# Low-Cost Star-Decomposition

- ▣ Let  $r = \text{rad}_G(x_0)$ , and  $r_i = \text{rad}_{V_i}(x_i)$ . For  $\delta, \epsilon \leq 1/2$ , a star-decomposition is a  $(\delta, \epsilon)$ -star-decomposition if
  - ▣  $\delta r \leq r_0 \leq (1 - \delta)r$
  - ▣  $r_0 + d(x_i, y_i) + r_i \leq (1 + \epsilon)r$
- ▣ The *cost* of the star-decomposition is
$$\text{cost}(\partial(V_0, V_1, \dots, V_k)),$$
 the sum of cost of the edges between the sets.

# Low-Cost Star-Decomposition

- Let  $G = (V, E, w)$  be a connected weighted graph and  $x_0 \in V$ . For every positive  $\epsilon \leq 1/2$ ,

$$(\{V_0, V_1, \dots, V_k\}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{starDecomp}(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{1/3}, \epsilon),$$

in time  $O(m + n \log n)$ , returns a  $(1/3, \epsilon)$ -star-decomposition of  $G$  with center  $x_0$  of cost

$$\text{cost}(\partial(V_0, V_1, \dots, V_k)) \leq \frac{6m \log_2(m + 1)}{\epsilon \cdot \text{rad}_G(x_0)}$$

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# $O(\log^3 m)$ Average Stretch Tree

## ■ Algorithm for Unweighted Graphs

Fix  $\alpha = (2 \log_{4/3}(\hat{n} + 6))^{-1}$ .

$T = \text{UnweightedLowStretchTree}(G, x_0)$

1. If  $|V| \leq 2$ , return  $G$ .
2. Set  $\rho = \text{rad}_G(x_0)$
3.  $(\{V_0, V_1, \dots, V_k\}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{StarDecomp}(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{1}/\mathbf{3}, \alpha)$
4. For each  $i$ ,  
set  $T_i = \text{UnweightedLowStretchTree}(G(V_i), x_i)$ .
5. Set  $T = \cup_i T_i \cup_i (y_i, x_i)$ .

# $O(\log^3 m)$ Average Stretch Tree

## ■ Analysis

Depth of recursion:  $O(\log_{4/3} n)$

$$\text{rad}_{R_t(G)}(x_0) \leq (1 + \alpha)^t \text{rad}_G(x_0) \leq \sqrt{e} \cdot \text{rad}_G(x_0).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(u,v) \in \partial(V_0, \dots, V_k)} \text{stretch}_T(u, v) &\leq \sum_{(u,v) \in \partial(V_0, \dots, V_k)} (\text{dist}_T(x_0, u) + \text{dist}_T(x_0, v)) \\ &\leq \sum_{(u,v) \in \partial(V_0, \dots, V_k)} 2\sqrt{e} \cdot \text{rad}_G(x_0) \\ &\leq 2\sqrt{e} \cdot \text{rad}_G(x_0) \frac{6m \log_2(\hat{m} + 1)}{\alpha \cdot \text{rad}_G(x_0)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{(u,v) \in E} \text{stretch}_T(u, v) = O(\hat{m} \log^3 \hat{m}).$$



# $O(\log^3 m)$ Average Stretch Tree

## Algorithm for Weighted Graphs

Fix  $\beta = (2 \log_{4/3}(\hat{n} + 32))^{-1}$ .  $T = \text{LowStretchTree}(G, x_0)$

1. If  $|V| \leq 2$ , return  $G$ .
2. Set  $\rho = \text{rad}_G(x_0)$
3. Let  $\tilde{G} = (\tilde{V}, \tilde{E})$  be the graph by contracting all edges in  $G$  with length less than  $\beta\rho/\hat{n}$ .
4.  $(\{\tilde{V}_0, \dots, \tilde{V}_k\}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{StarDecomp}(\tilde{G}, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{1}/\mathbf{3}, \beta)$
5. For each  $i$ , let  $V_i$  be the preimage of  $\tilde{V}_i$ , and  $(x_i, y_i)$  be one of the preimage of  $(\tilde{x}_i, \tilde{y}_I)$ .
6. For each  $i$ ,  
set  $T_i = \text{LowStretchTree}(G(V_i), x_i)$ .
7. Set  $T = \cup_i T_i \cup_i (y_i, x_i)$ .

# $O(\log^3 m)$ Average Stretch Tree

## ■ Analysis

Let  $t = 2 \log_{4/3}(\hat{n} + 32)$  and  $\rho_t = \text{rad}_{R_t(G)}(x_0)$

$$\rho_t \leq \sqrt{e} \cdot \text{rad}_G(x_0)$$

Each component has radius at most  $\rho(3/4)^t \leq \rho/n^2$ .

Each edge appears at most  $\log_{4/3}((2\hat{n}/\beta) + 1)$  recursion depths.

The total contribution to the stretch at level  $t$  is

$$O(\text{vol}(E_t) \log^2 \hat{m})$$

# Star Decomposition

## ▣ Concentric System

A family of vertex sets  $\mathcal{L} = \{L_r \subseteq V : r \in R^+ \cup \{0\}\}$ .

1.  $L_0 \neq \emptyset$ ,
2.  $L_r \subseteq L_{r'}$  for all  $r \leq r'$ ,
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▣ Property: For every two reals  $0 \leq \lambda \leq \lambda'$ , there exists a real  $r \in [\lambda, \lambda')$  such that

$$\text{cost}(\partial(L_r)) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(L_r)}{\lambda' - \lambda} \max \left[ 1, \log_2 \left( \frac{m}{\text{vol}(E(L_r))} \right) \right]$$

# Star Decomposition

□ Proof of the property:

$$\text{cost}(\partial(L_r)) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(L_r)}{\lambda' - \lambda} \max \left[ 1, \log_2 \left( \frac{m}{\text{vol}(E(L_r))} \right) \right]$$

Sort the vertices according to the distances to the center.

Let  $\mu_i = \text{vol}(E(B_i)) + \sum_{(v_j, v_k) \in E: j \leq i < k} \frac{r_i - r_j}{r_k - r_j}$ .

$$\mu_{i+1} = \mu_i + \text{cost}(\partial(B_i))(r_{i+1} - r_i)$$

Let  $r_{a-1} \leq \lambda < \lambda' \leq r_{b+1}$ , and  $\eta = \log_2 \left( \frac{m}{\text{vol}(E(B_{a-1}))} \right)$

Prove there exists  $i \in [a-1, b]$  such that

$$\text{cost}(\partial(B_i)) \leq \mu_i \eta / (\lambda' - \lambda).$$

# Star Decomposition

▣  $r = \text{BallCut}(G, x_0, \rho, \delta)$

1. Set  $r = \delta\rho$
2. While  $\text{cost}(\partial(B(r, x_0))) > \frac{\text{vol}(B(r, x_0)) + 1}{(1 - 2\delta)\rho} \log_2(m + 1)$ ,  
Find the next vertex  $v$  and set  $r = \text{dist}(x_0, v)$ .

▣ Result:

$$\rho/3 \leq r \leq 2\rho/3$$

$$\text{cost}(\partial(V_0)) > \frac{3(\text{vol}(V_0) + 1) \log_2(|E| + 1)}{\rho}$$

# Star Decomposition

## ▣ Ideals and Cones

For set  $S \subseteq V$ ,

$$F(S) = \{(u \rightarrow v) : (u, v) \in E, \text{dist}(u, S) + d(u, v) = \text{dist}(v, S)\}$$

- ▣ The *ideal* of  $v$ ,  $I_S(v)$ , induced by  $S$ , is the set of vertices that reachable from  $v$  in  $F(S)$
- ▣ The *cone* of width  $l$  around  $v$  induced by  $S$ ,  $C_S(l, v)$ , is the set of vertices in  $V$  that can be reached from  $v$  by a path, the sum of lengths of whose edges not in  $F(S)$  is at most  $l$ .

# Star Decomposition

- Cones are concentric

$$r = \text{ConeCut}(G, v, \lambda, \lambda', S)$$

1. Set  $r = \lambda$  if  $\text{vol}(E(C_S(\lambda, v))) = 0$ ,  
Set  $\mu = (\text{vol}(C_S(r, v)) + 1) \log_2(m + 1)$ .  
otherwise,  
Set  $\mu = \text{vol}(C_S(r, v)) \log_2(m / \text{vol}(E(C_S(\lambda, v))))$ .
2. While  $\text{cost}(\partial(C_S(r, v))) > \mu / (\lambda' - \lambda)$ ,  
Find the next vertex  $w$  minimize  $\text{dist}(w, C_S(r, v))$  and set  
 $r = r + \text{dist}(w, C_S(r, v))$ .

$$r \in [\lambda, \lambda')$$

$$\text{cost}(\partial(C_S(r, v))) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(C_S(r, v))}{\lambda' - \lambda} \max \left[ 1, \log_2 \frac{m}{\text{vol}(E(C_S(r, v)))} \right]$$



# Star Decomposition

## Final Algorithm

$(\{V_0, \dots, V_k\}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{StarDecomp}(G, x_0, \delta, \epsilon)$

1. Set  $\rho = \text{rad}_G(x_0)$ ;  $r_0 = \text{BallCut}(G, x_0, \rho, \delta)$  and  $V_0 = B(r_0, x_0)$ .
2. Let  $S = BS(r_0, x_0)$ ;
3. Set  $G' = (V', E', w') = G(V - V_0)$ .
4. Set  $(\{V_1, \dots, V_k, \mathbf{x}\}) = \text{ConeDecomp}(G', S, \epsilon\rho/2)$ ;
5. For each  $i \in [1 : k]$ , set  $y_k$  to be a vertex in  $V_0$  such that  $(x_k, v_k) \in E$  and  $y_k$  is on a shortest path from  $x_0$  to  $x_k$

$(\{V_1, \dots, V_k, \mathbf{x}\}) = \text{ConeDecomp}(G, S, \Delta)$

1. Set  $G_0 = G, S_0 = S, k = 0$ .
2. While  $S_k$  is not empty
  - (a)  $k = k + 1; x_k \in S_k; r_k = \text{ConeCut}(G_{k-1}, x_k, 0, \Delta, S_{k-1})$ .
  - (b) Set  $V_k = C_{S_{k-1}}(r_k, x_k); G_k = G(V - \cup_{i=1}^k V_k), S_k = S_{k-1} - V_k$ .
3. Set  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$ .

# Star Decomposition

## □ Cost

$$\text{cost}(\partial(V_0)) > \frac{3(\text{vol}(V_0) + 1) \log_2(|E| + 1)}{\rho}$$

$$\text{cost}(E(V_j, V - \cup_{i=0}^j V_i)) \leq \frac{2(1 + \text{vol}(V_j)) \log_2(m + 1)}{\epsilon \rho}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cost}(\partial(V_0, \dots, V_K)) &\leq \sum_{j=0}^k \text{cost}(E(V_j, V - \cup_{i=0}^j V_i)) \\ &\leq \frac{2 \log_2(m + 1)}{\epsilon \rho} \sum_{j=0}^k (\text{vol}(V_j) + 1) \\ &\leq \frac{6m \log_2(m + 1)}{\epsilon \rho} \end{aligned}$$