

# Cutting Resillient Networks

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## k-cut on Paths and Some Trees

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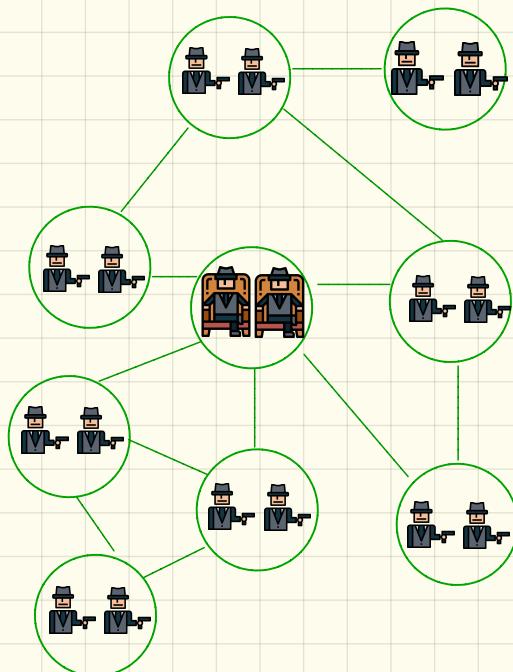
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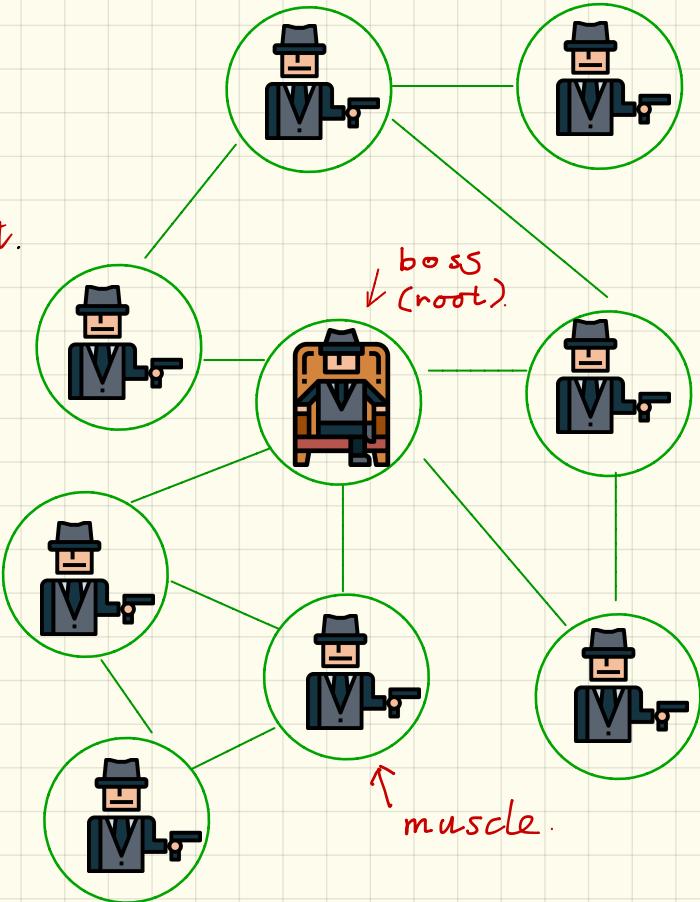
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# The Model



## Rooted Graph

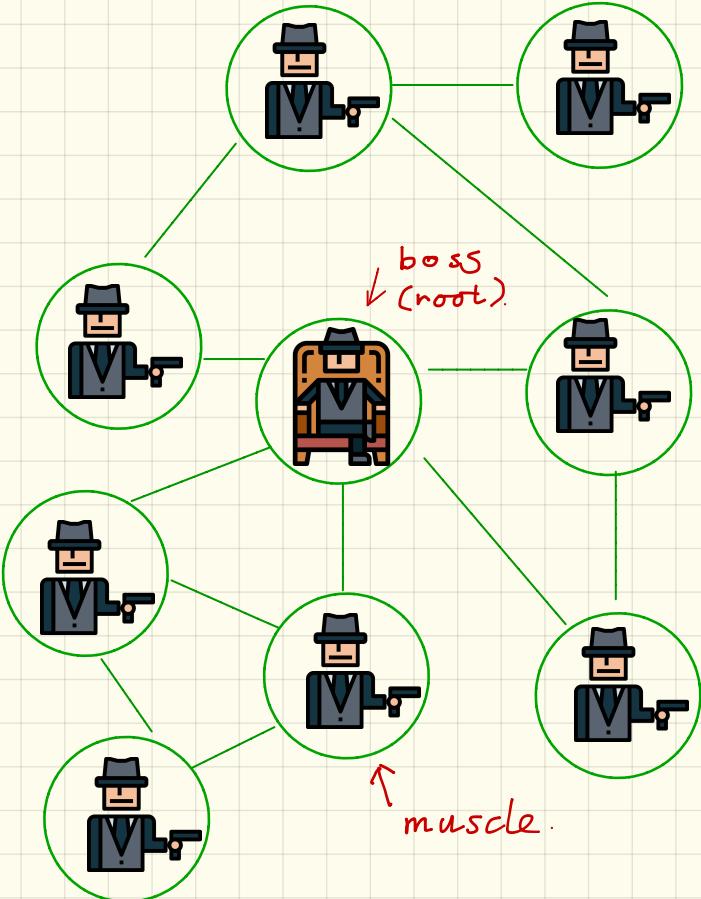
- A **rooted graph** has one node labelled as the **root**.
- Can be viewed as models for criminal networks, terrorist cells, or botnets (malicious P2P networks).



## Destroying a Network

We do not know where is the **boss**. So we

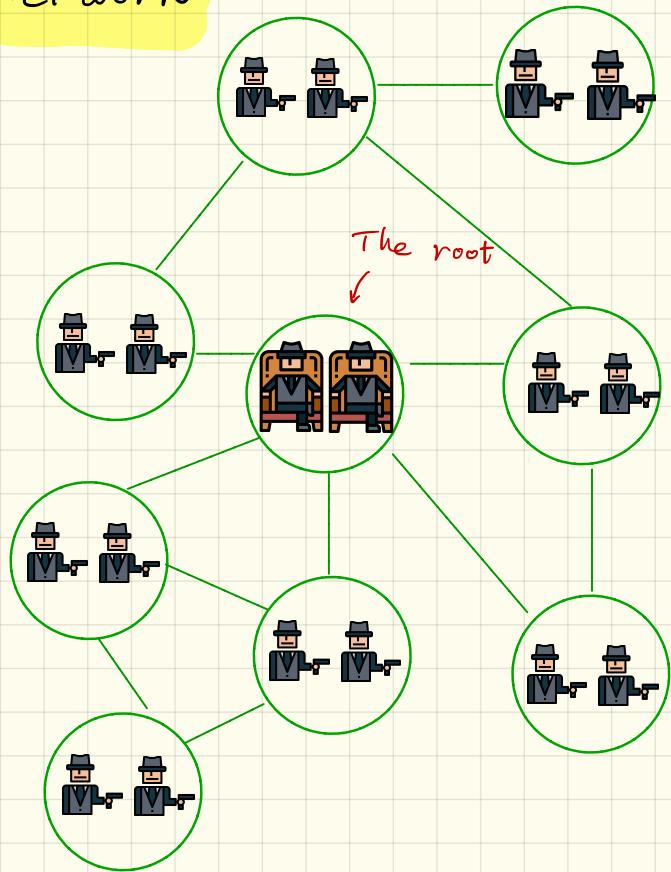
1. Choose a node unif. at random. Remove it.
2. If the graph becomes **disconnected**, keep only the component containing the **boss**.
3. Repeat until the **root** is removed.



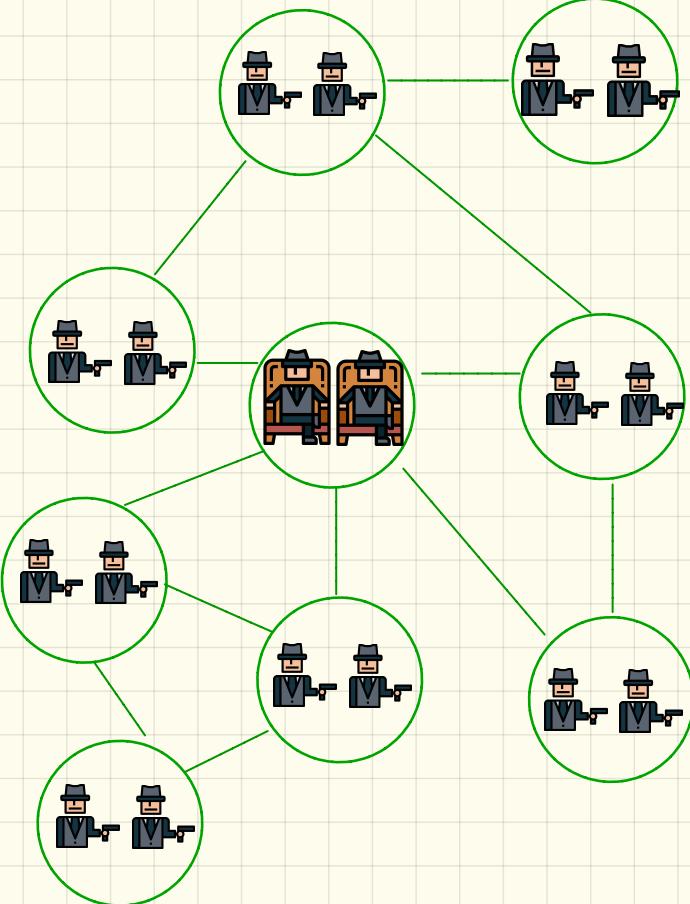
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Assume each node has  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  backups. We

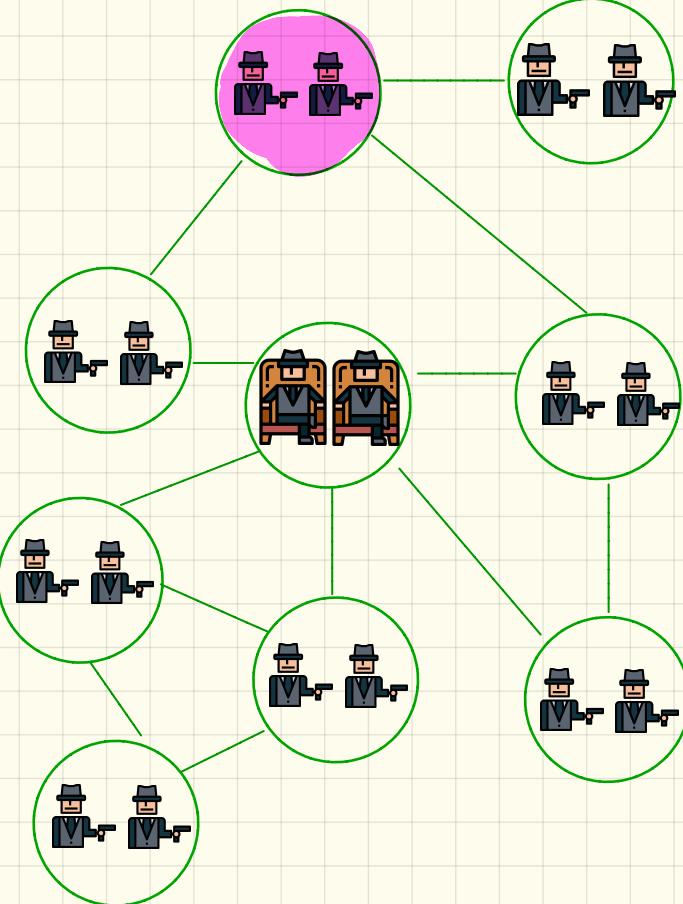
1. Choose a node uniformly at random. Remove one of its backups (cut it once)
2. Remove a node if all  $k$  backups are gone.
3. Keep only the component containing the root.
4. Repeat until the root is gone.



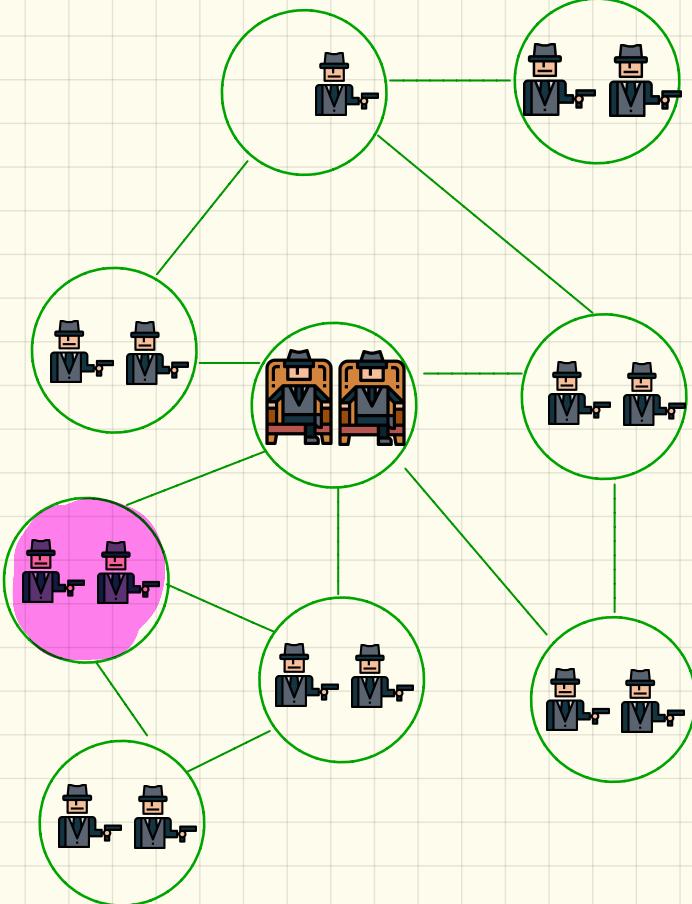
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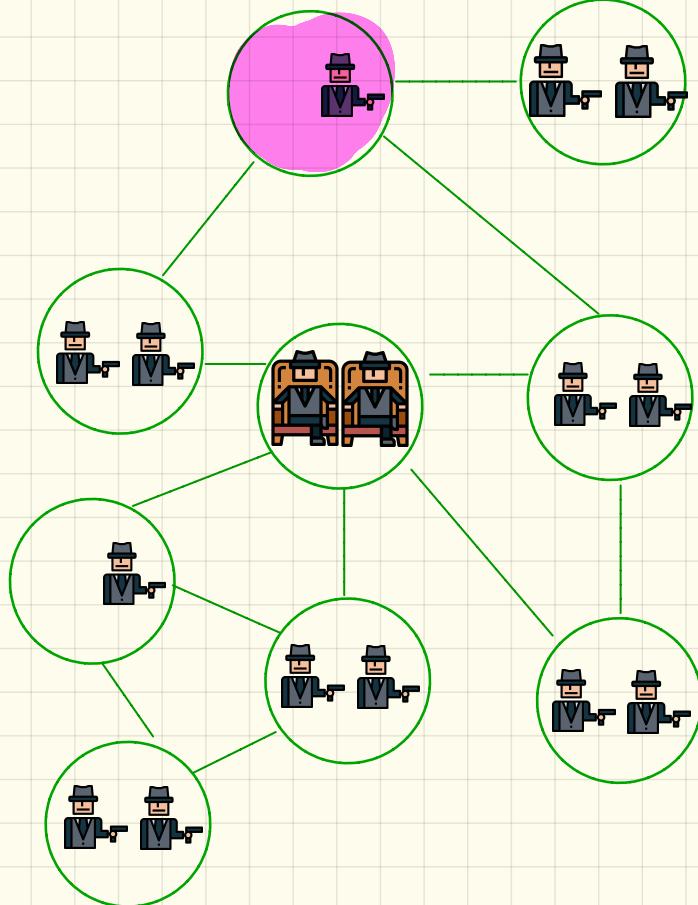
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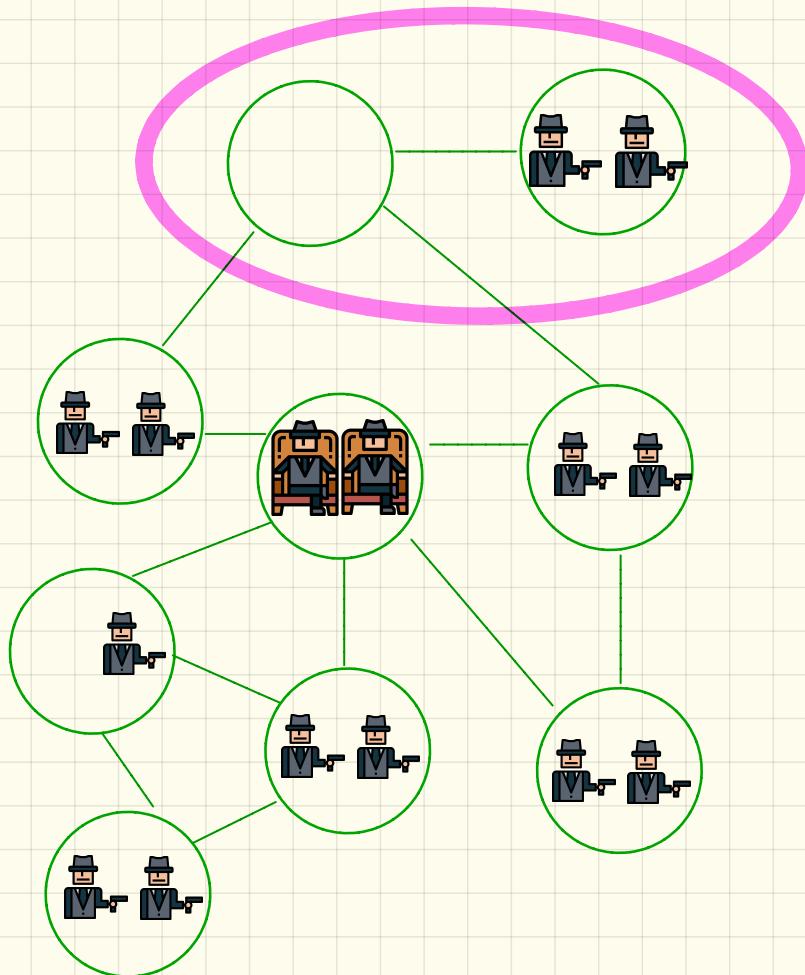
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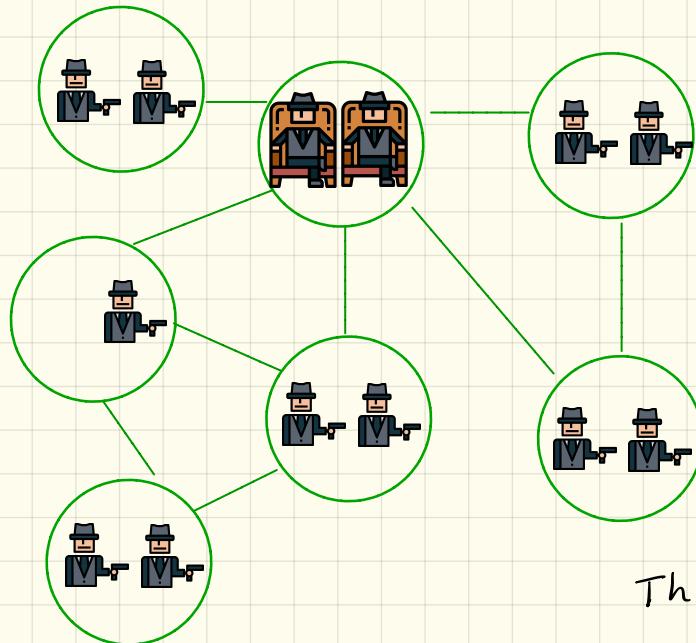
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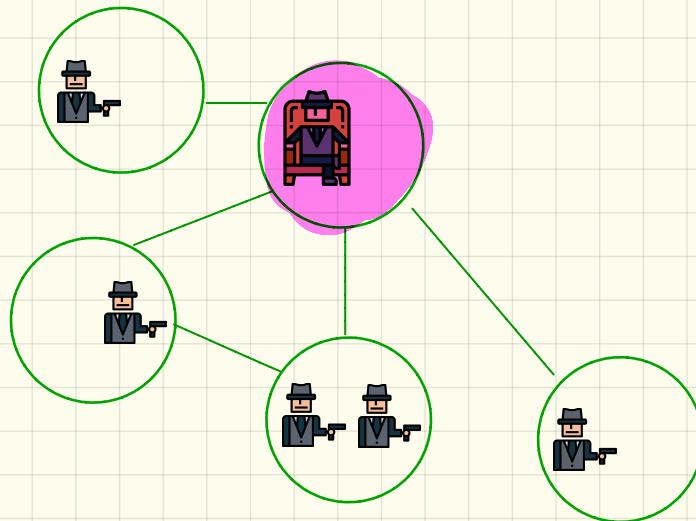


## Example



This continues ...

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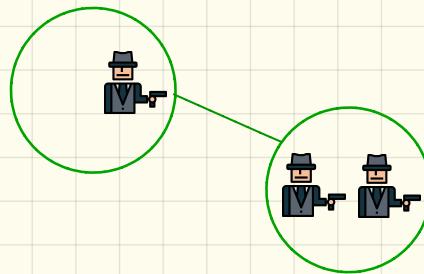
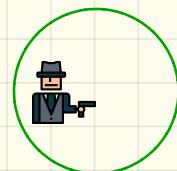


until the **root** is gone.

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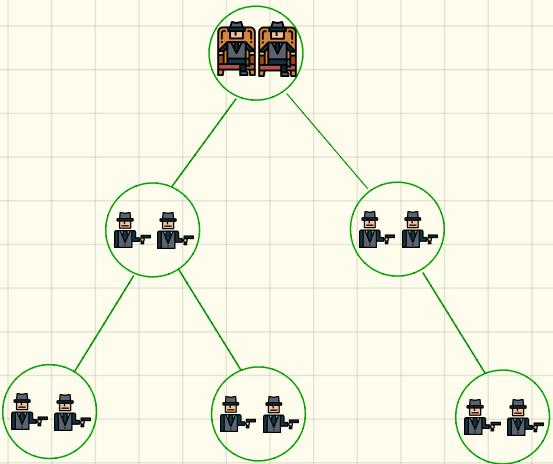
We mostly care  $K(G_n)$  —

the number of cuts needed to  
for the process to end.

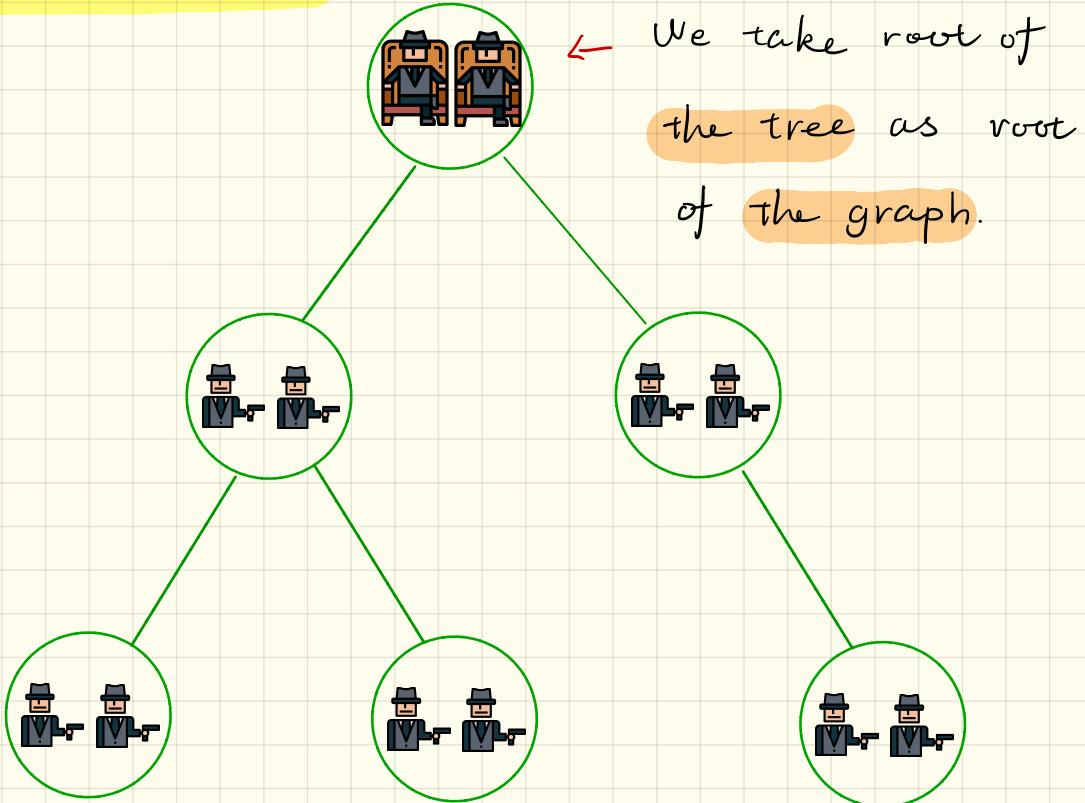


This measures how hard it is to  
destroy the network.

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## The case $k=1$

- Let  $T_n$  be a rooted tree with  $n$  vertices.
- Let  $K(T_n)$  be the num. of cuts needed to destroy  $T_n$ .
- $K(T_n)$  has been studied for  $k=1$  in
  - Cayley trees Meir and Moon (1970)
  - Complete Binary trees Janson (2004).
  - Conditional Galton-Watson trees Janson (2006).

Addario-Berry, Broutin, Holmgren (2014).

- Binary Search Trees and Split Trees Holmgren (2011, 2012).
- RRT Meir and Moon (1974) Drmota et al. (2009).

An equivalent model

$k=1$

- We give each node  $v$  a time stamp

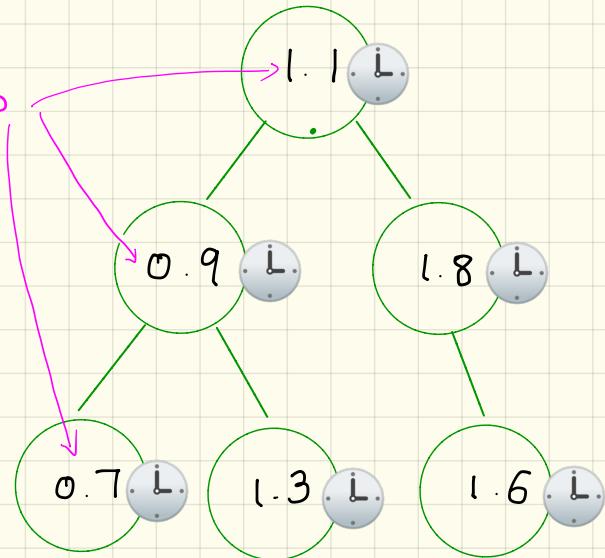
$$T_v \sim \text{Exp}(1) \text{ iid}$$

- We cut a node  $v$  at time

$T_v$  if  $v$  is still in the tree.

- Each time we are still cutting a uniform random node.

Idea comes from Svante (2004).

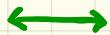


## Records

$v$  is in tree at time  $T_v$



No ancestor of  $v$  died before  $T_v$

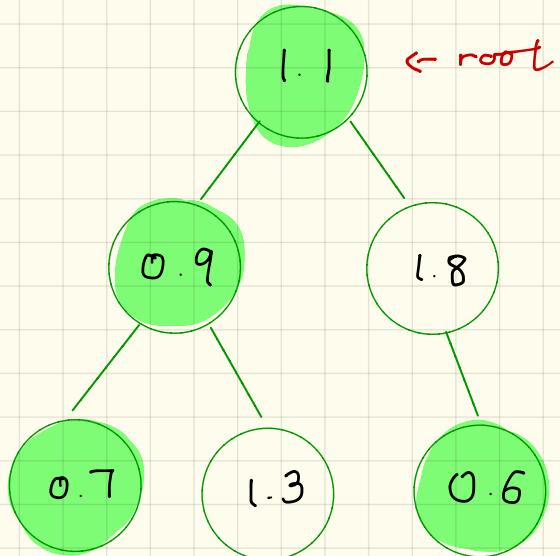


$$T_v < \min_{u: u \prec v} T_u.$$

Janson call  $T_v$  or (simply  $v$ )

a record.

$$\# \text{ of records} = \# \text{ of cuts}$$



Generalize to  $k \geq 1$ .

- Each node  $v$  get timestamps

$$T_{1v}, T_{2v}, \dots \sim \text{Exp}(1) \text{ iid}.$$

- Let  $G_{rv} = \sum_{i=1}^r T_{iv} \sim \text{Gam}(k, 1)$

- Cut  $v$  at time  $G_{rv}$  if  $v$  is still in

tree  $\longleftrightarrow$

Time  $w$  dies.

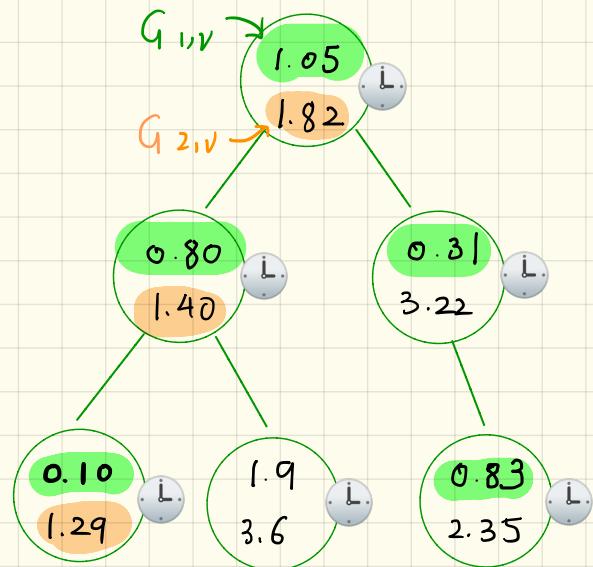
$$G_{rv} < \min_{w: w \prec v} G_{rw}$$

- Call such  $G_{rv}$  or (simply  $v$ )

an  $r$ -record.

$$\text{cuts} \rightarrow K(\mathbb{I}_n) = \sum_{r=1}^k K_r(\mathbb{I}_n)$$

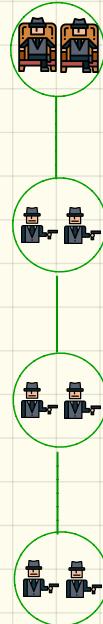
Number of  $r$ -records.



$X \cdot X \leftarrow 1\text{-record}$

$X \cdot X \leftarrow 2\text{-record}$

k-cut on a path



## The simplest graph - path

Let  $P_n$  be a path on  $n$  nodes.

For all graphs  $G_n$  of  $n$  nodes,

$$K(P_n) \leq K(G_n)$$

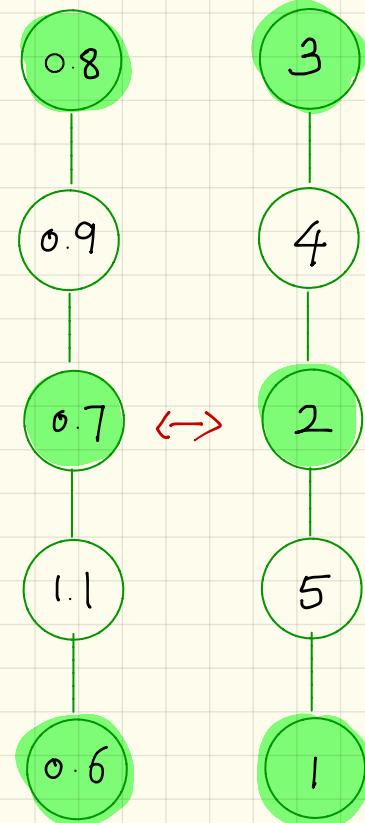
i.e., a path is the easiest to cut.

Quiz: Which graph is the hardest to cut?

For  $k=1$ ,  $K(P_n) \sim \# \text{ of records}$

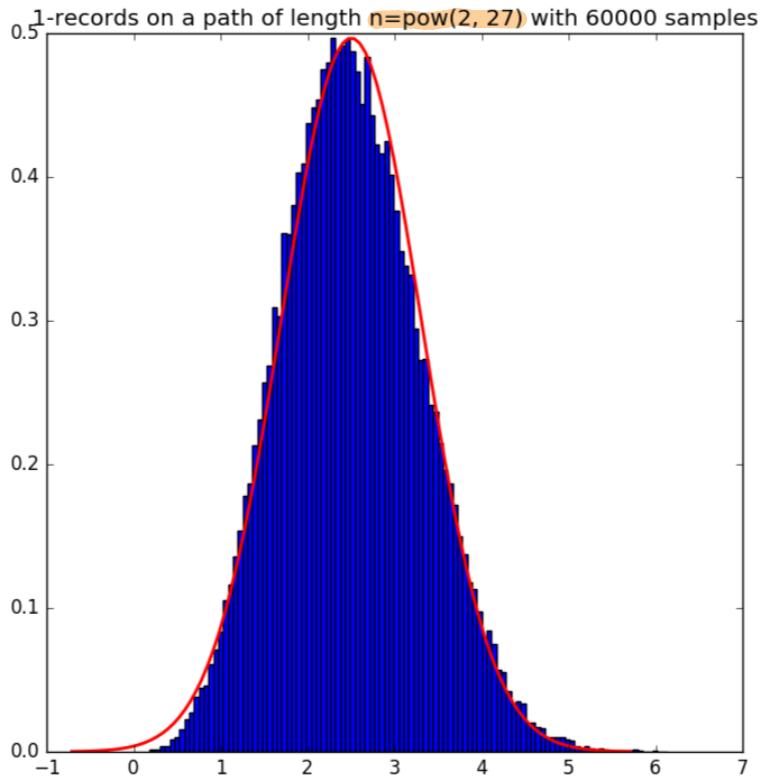
in unif. rand. permutation.

$$\frac{K(P_n) - \log(n)}{\sqrt{\log(n)}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1) \quad (\text{normal})$$



$$\begin{aligned} E(K(P_n)) &= \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \\ &= H_n \sim \log n \end{aligned}$$

Simulation for  $k=2$ .



$$2^{27} \approx 10^8$$

Looks like a normal.

Tried to prove.

But failed !



More simulations.

$k=2$

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Analysis 30000 samples for path length 536870912 ( $2^{29}$ )  
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$\approx 10^9$

Mean 58141.156467

Mean divided by  $\sqrt{n}$  2.509278

Variance 358057278.161121

Variance divided by  $n$  0.666934

The 3 moment divided by variance $^{(3/2)}$  is 0.238525

The 4 moment divided by variance $^{(4/2)}$  is 2.919119

The 5 moment divided by variance $^{(5/2)}$  is 2.326212

The 6 moment divided by variance $^{(6/2)}$  is 14.591784

- This cannot be a normal distribution.

- The expectation is order  $\sqrt{n}$

- The variance is order  $n$ .

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Can we find the constant?



## The moment - Expectation.

- Let  $I_{r,i+1}$  be the indicator that  $i+1$  is a  $r$ -record.

- Then

$$\mathbb{E}(I_{r,i+1}) = \int_0^\infty \underbrace{\frac{e^{-x} x^{r-1}}{r!}}_{\text{Density of } G_{r,i+1}} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(G_{\text{Gam}(k)} > x)^i}_{\text{Every node above } i+1 \text{ dies after } x} \approx \underbrace{\frac{(k!)^{\frac{k}{r}}}{k} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r}{k})}{\Gamma(r-i)}}_{\text{constant}} i^{-\frac{r}{k}}$$

- Summing this up

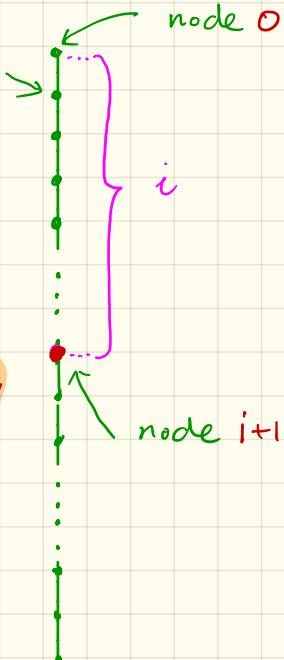
$$\mathbb{E}(K_r(\mathbb{P}_n)) = \sum_{i=0}^n \mathbb{E}(I_{r,i}) \approx \eta_{k,r} \cdot n^{1-r/k}$$

Only 1-records matter.

- For  $k=2$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}(K_1(\mathbb{P}_n)) \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \approx 2.5066\sqrt{n}$$

$2.50\sqrt{n}$  by simulation



## The moment - Variance

- We only care about 1-records.
- Similar to expectation

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}(K_1(\mathbb{P}_n)^2)}{n^{2-\frac{2}{kn}}} \sim \frac{\Gamma(\frac{2}{k})(k!)^2}{k-1} + \frac{\pi \cot(\frac{\pi}{k}) \Gamma(\frac{2}{k})(k!)^{\frac{2}{k}}}{2(k-2)(k-1)}$$

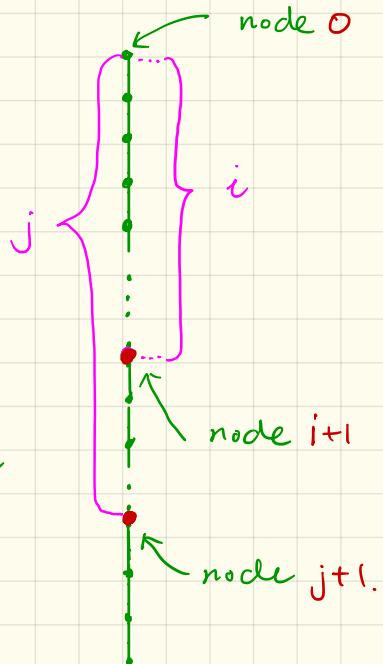
Rather complicated constant

- When  $k=2$

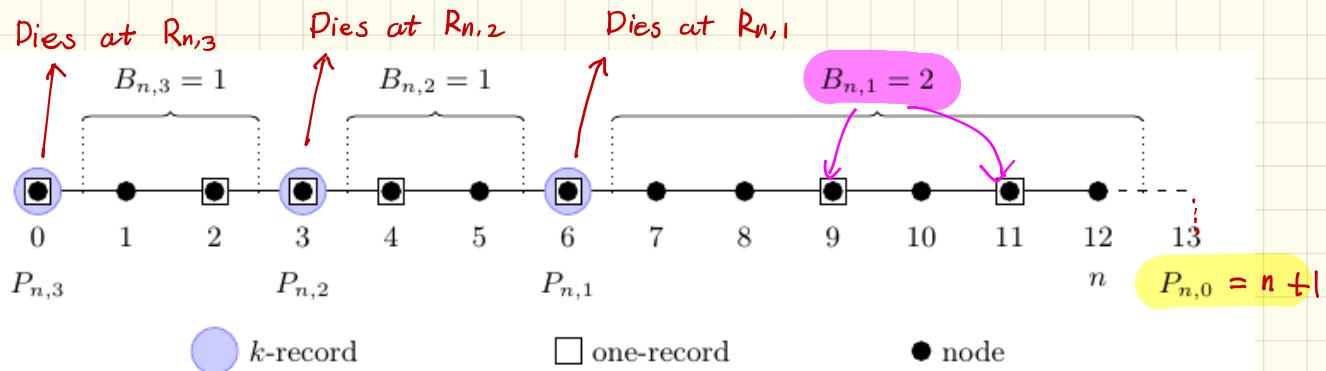
$0.66 n$  by simulation

$$\text{Var}(K_1(\mathbb{P}_n)) \sim (\frac{\pi^2}{2} + 2 - 2\pi)n \approx 0.651n.$$

- Higher moments seem to be harder!



## The limit distribution



- Let  $P_{n,1}, P_{n,2}, \dots$  be the position of  $k$ -records. (where the path breaks).
- Let  $R_{n,1}, R_{n,2}, \dots$  be the time they die
- Conditioning on  $P_{n,1}, P_{n,2}, \dots, R_{n,1}, R_{n,2}, \dots$



$$B_{n,j} \approx \text{Bin} \left( \underbrace{P_{n,j-1} - P_{n,j}}_{\text{One-records between } P_{n,j-1}, P_{n,j}}, \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(\text{Exp}(1) < R_{n,j})}_{\# \text{ of nodes}} \right).$$

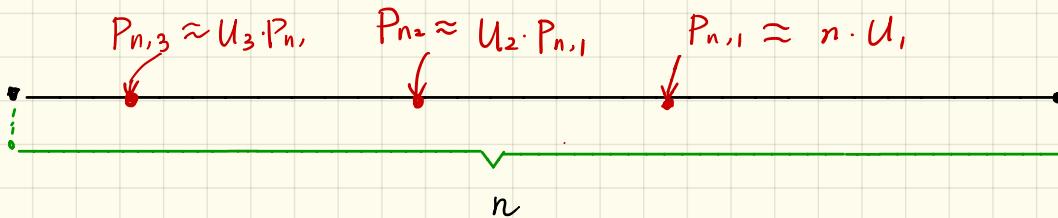
Time segment breaks off.

↑  
One-records between  $P_{n,j-1}, P_{n,j}$

Prob of being a 1-record.

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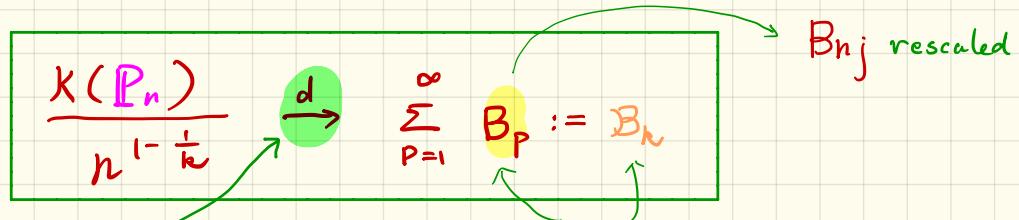
- Let  $U_1, U_2, U_3, \dots$  be iid  $\text{Unif}[0, 1]$ .



- Let  $E_1, E_2, E_3, \dots$  be iid  $\text{Exp}(1)$ . We can also approximate

$$R_{n,1} \approx n^{-\frac{1}{k}} (k! E_1)^{\frac{1}{k}}, \quad R_{n,2} \approx (P_{n,1})^{-\frac{1}{k}} (k! E_2 U_1 + k! E_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \dots$$

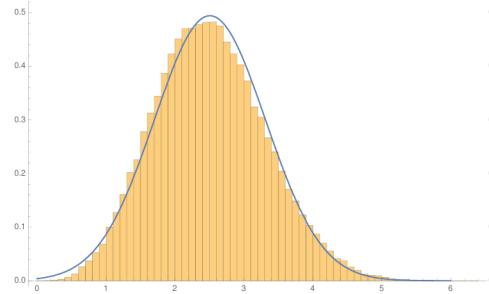
When  $P_{n,1}$  dies                                  When  $P_{n,2}$  dies.



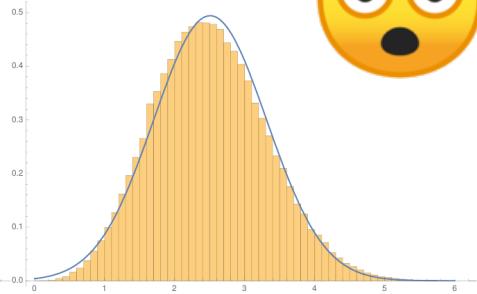
All moments complicated function of  $U_1, U_2, \dots, E_1, E_2, \dots$   
also converge.

## The simulation

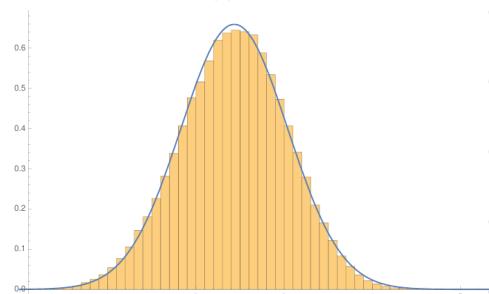
- We do not have the density function of  $B_k$ .
- But simulation suggests that it's close to a normal distribution.
- Not everything that looks **normal** is **normal**!



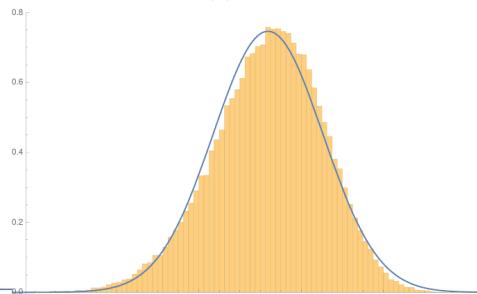
(a)  $k = 2$



(b)  $k = 3$



(c)  $k = 4$

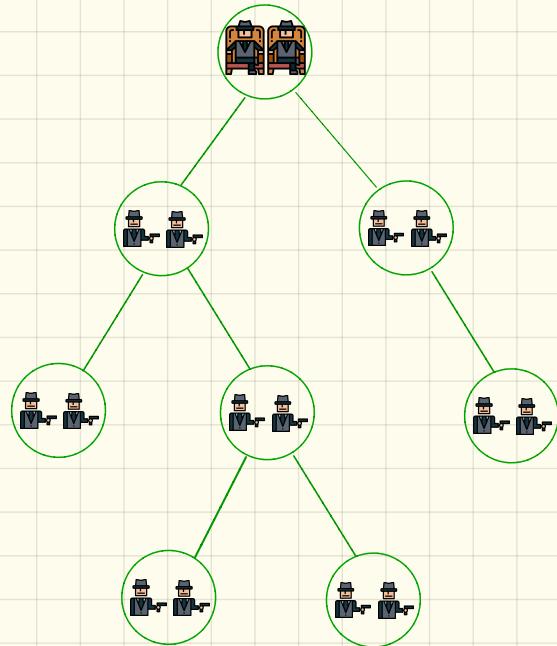


(d)  $k = 5$



Complete Binary Trees,  
Conditional Galton - Watson  
Trees, and many more

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The current landscape for  $k \geq 2$ .

Cai, Devroye, Holmgren, Skerman 2019. EJP

Cutting resilient networks — complete binary trees. Cai, Holmgren. 2018, arxiv

The  $k$ -cut model in deterministic and random trees. Berzunza,



Cai, Holmgren. (would have been on arxiv if not for the boat trip).

▀ A note on the asymptotic

expansion the Lerch's

Transcendent. Cai, J.L. Lopez.

2019. Integral Transforms and

Special functions.

Graph	LLL	Moments	CLT
Paths	😊	😊	😊
Complete graphs	😊	😊	😊
Complete binary trees	😊	😊	😊
Conditional GW trees	😊	😊	😊
Preferential attachment	😊	😊	😊
Random recursive trees	😊	😊	😊
Split trees	😊	😊	😊

## The challenge

- Can even 1-cut be studied in **any** random graph?
- **Cannot** use record any more.
- Possible candidate:  $G_{n,p}$  with  $p = n^{-1} + n^{-4/3}$
- The giant is almost a **GW** tree, plus  $O_p(1)$  edges. We choose **root** in the giant **unit. rand.**
- Simulation suggest, on average it takes ( $k=1$ )

$$1.42 \cdot \sqrt{\text{giant size}}$$

to cut the giant.

- Can we prove this?

should be **1.25** for  
GW trees.



Thanks for listening !

