

Underlying shortest paths in timetables

Podkladové najkratšie cesty v cestovných poriadkoch

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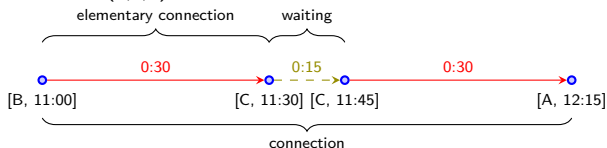
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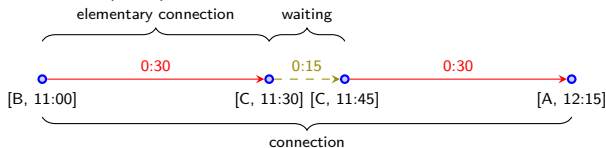
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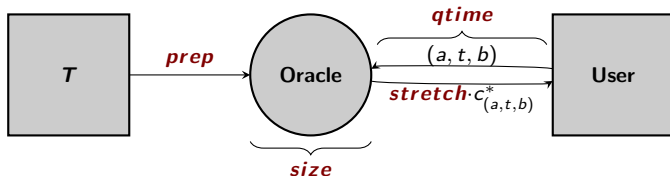


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- Motivation: large-scale timetable search engines (*cp.sk*, *imhd.sk*...)
- Approach: (distance) oracle-based approach [TZ05] - pre-computation



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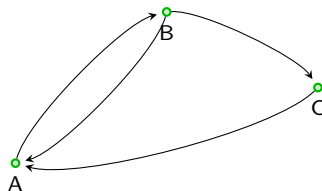


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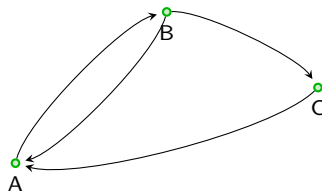


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 - Devise methods to tackle optimal connection problem
 - Analyse properties of real-world timetables

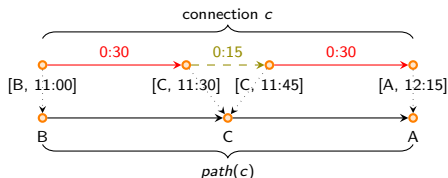
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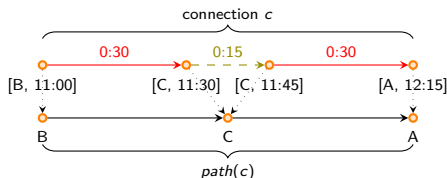
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- δ - the density of UG

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Table : Daily, 200 station timetable subsets.

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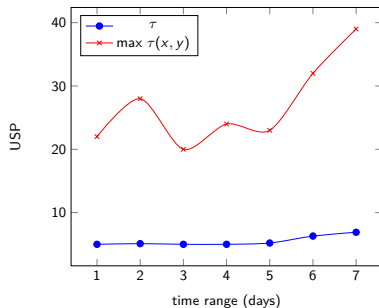
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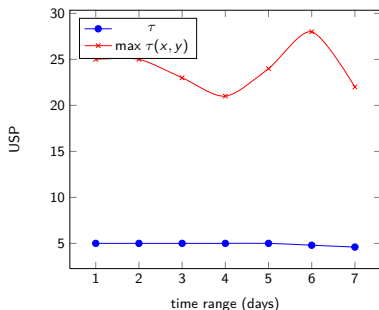
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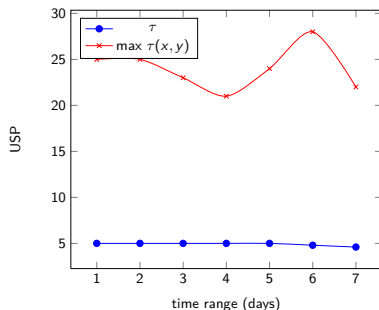
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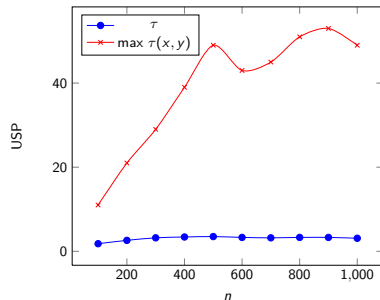


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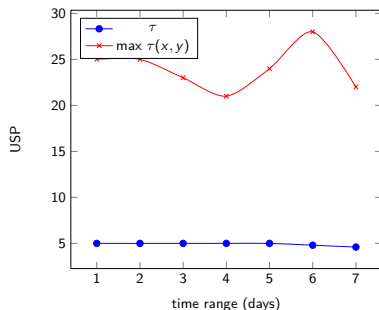
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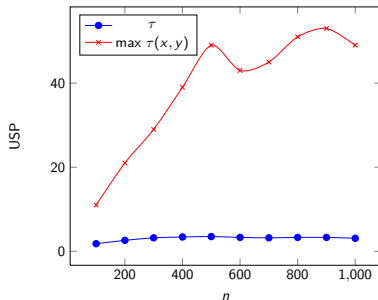


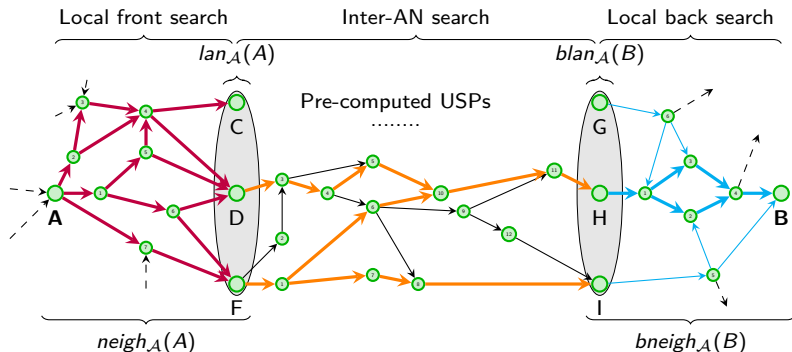
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 - Small size: $|\mathcal{A}| \leq r_1 \cdot \sqrt{n}$
 - Small node neighbourhoods: $\text{avg}(|\text{neigh}(x)|)^2 \leq r_2 \cdot n$
 - Few local access nodes: $\text{avg}(|\text{lan}_{\mathcal{A}}(x)|)^2 \leq r_3$



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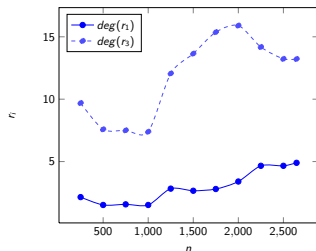
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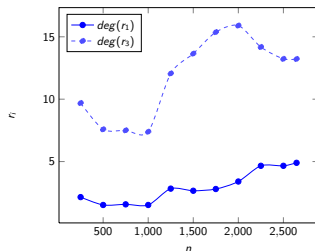
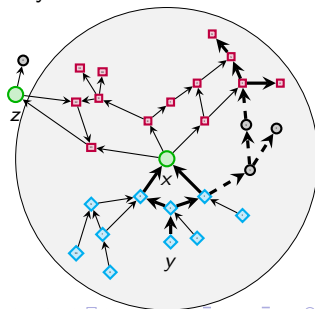
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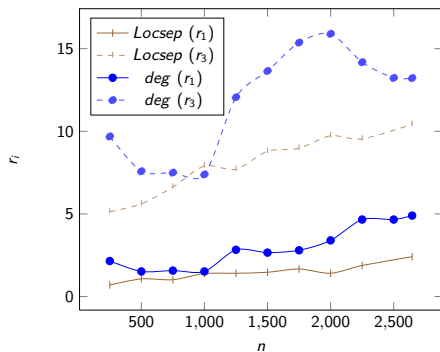


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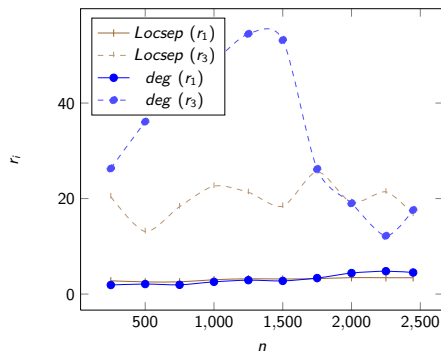


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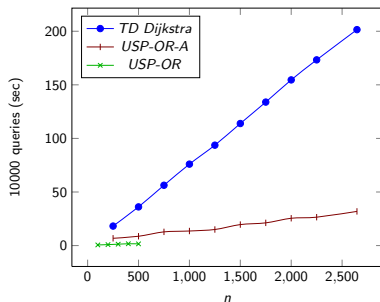


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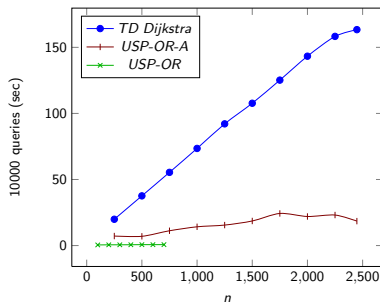


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 - *USP-OR*: Exact and very quick answers (speed-up \approx) but high space
 - *USP-OR-A*: Exact and quick answers (speed-up \approx) less space-consuming
 - *NN*: Problem too challenging for NN/try different types of network

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