

Locally Self-Adjusting Tree Networks

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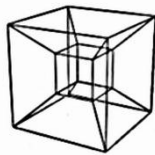
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From “Optimal” Networks to Self-Adjusting Networks

- Networks become more and more dynamic (e.g., flexible SDN control)
- Vision: go beyond classic “optimal” static networks
- Example (of this paper): Peer-to-peer

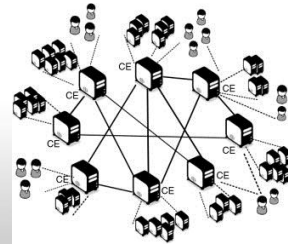
Chord, Pastry, SHELL

- Hypercubic
- Log diameter
- Log degree
- Log routing



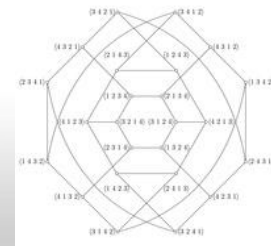
Koorde, ...

- Constant degree
- Log routing



Pancake

- Log/loglog degree and log/loglog routing



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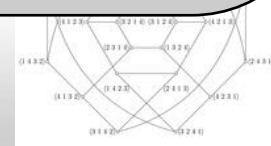
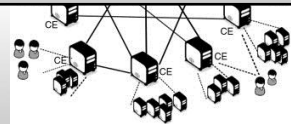
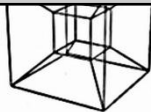
- Vision

- Example

What if networks could self-adjust depending on communication pattern?

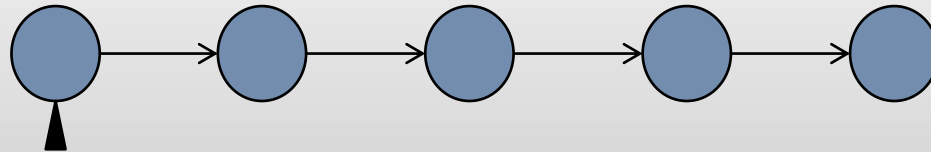
Challenges

- Hypothesis
- Log
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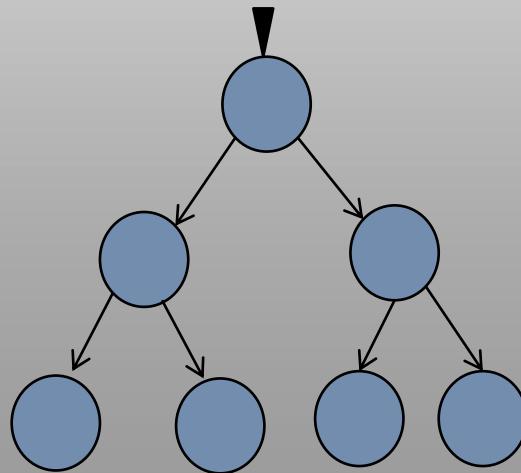


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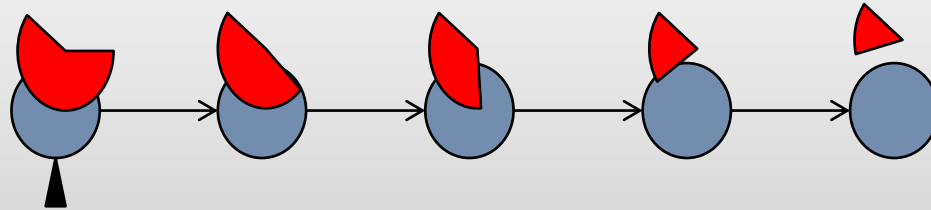


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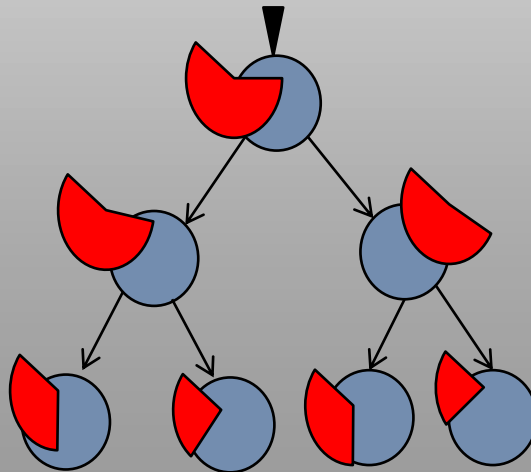


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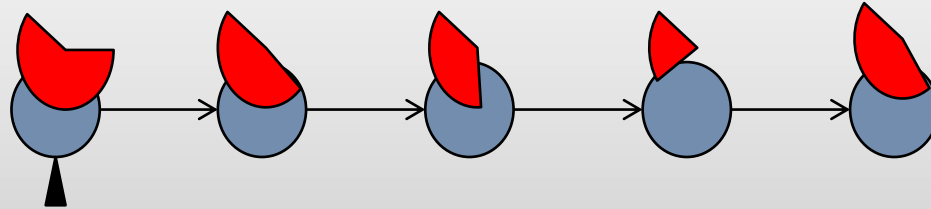


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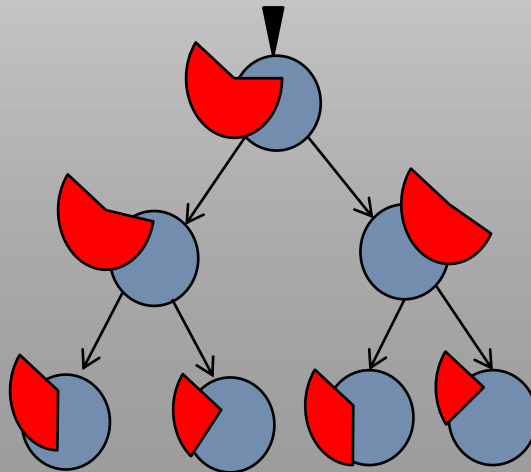


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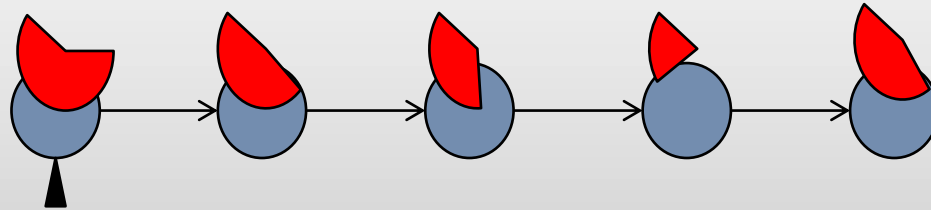


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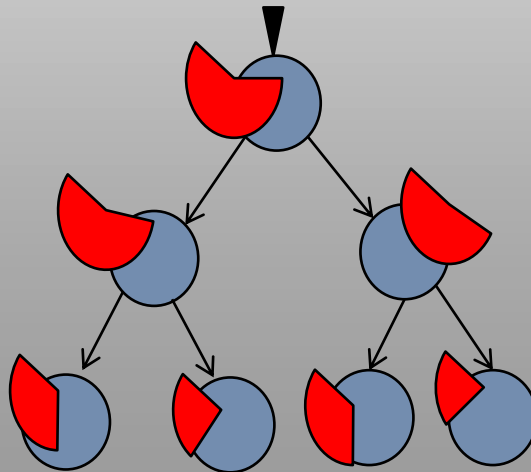


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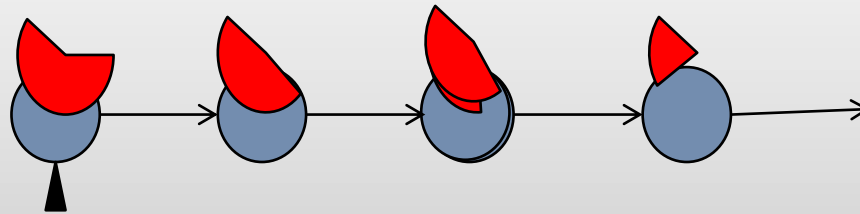


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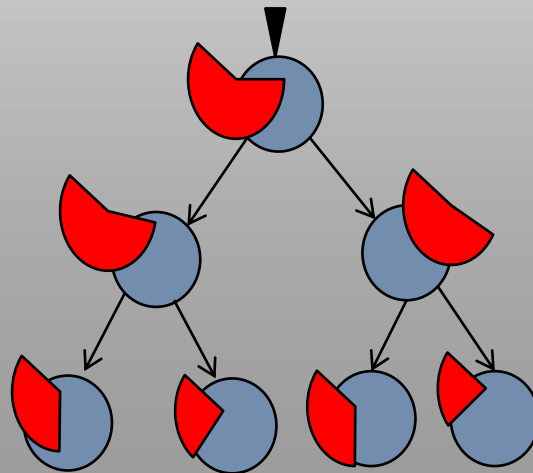


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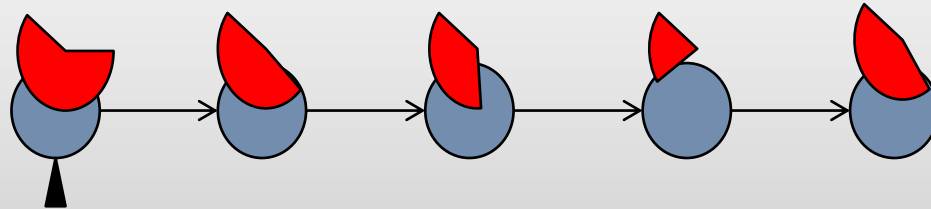


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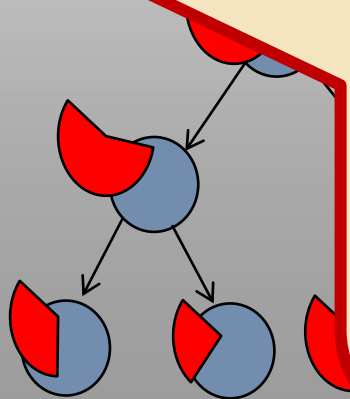


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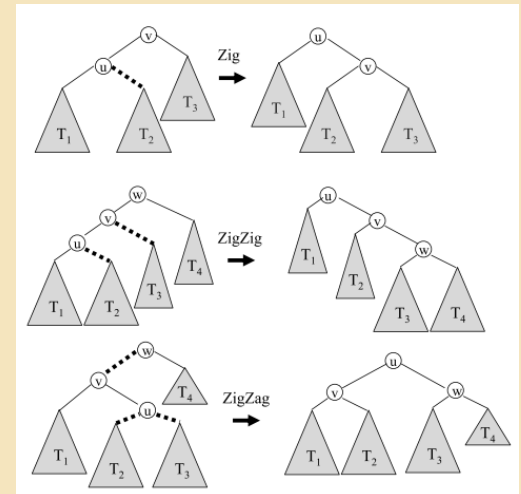
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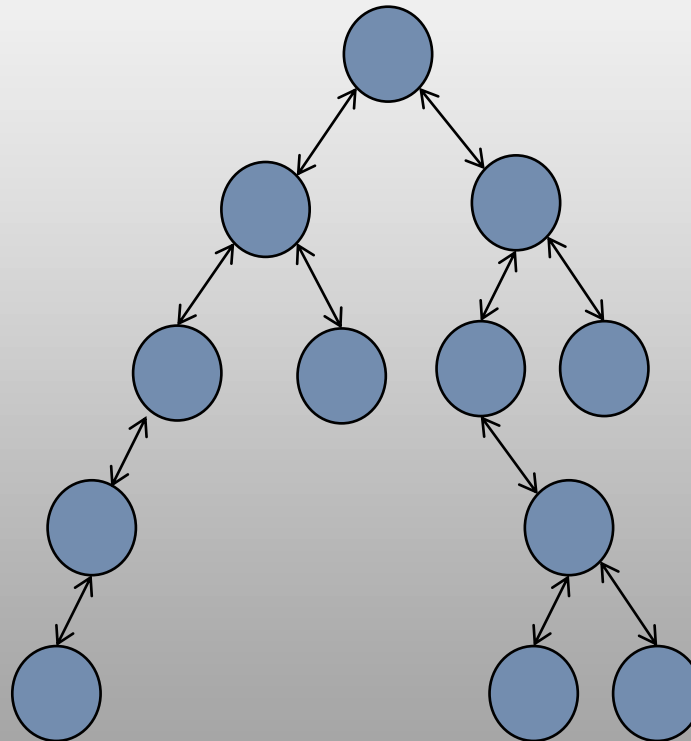


Splay Trees!



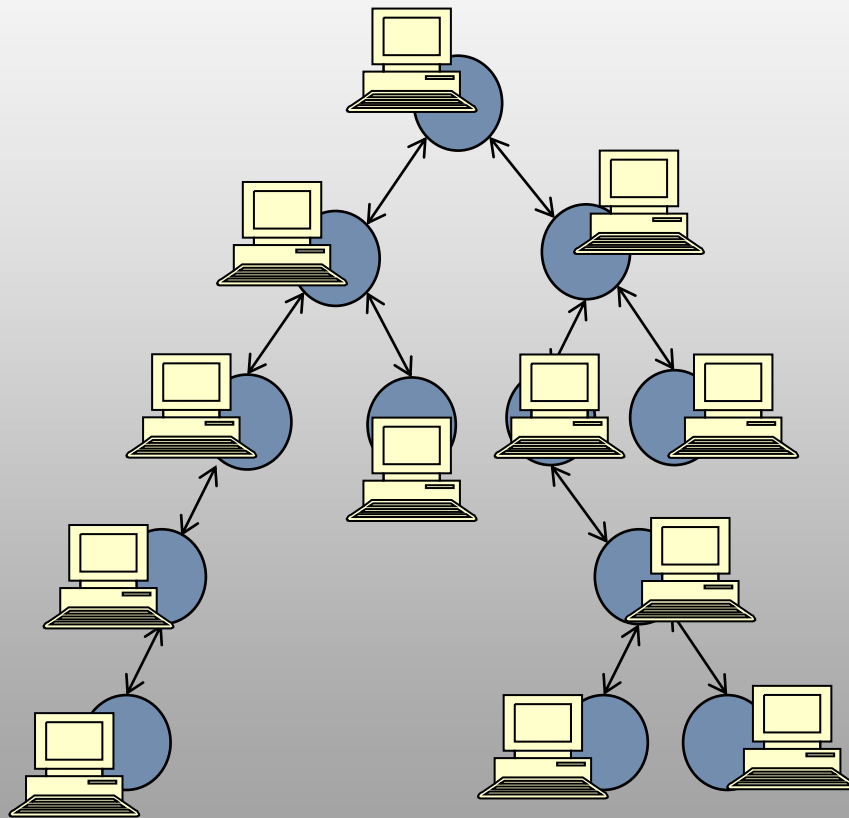
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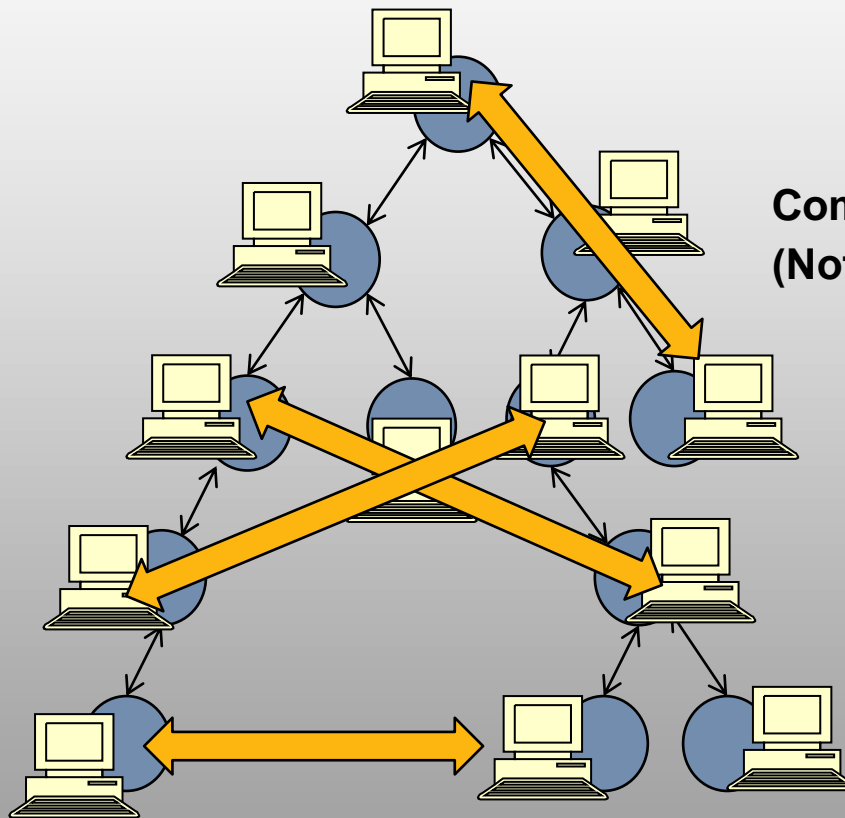
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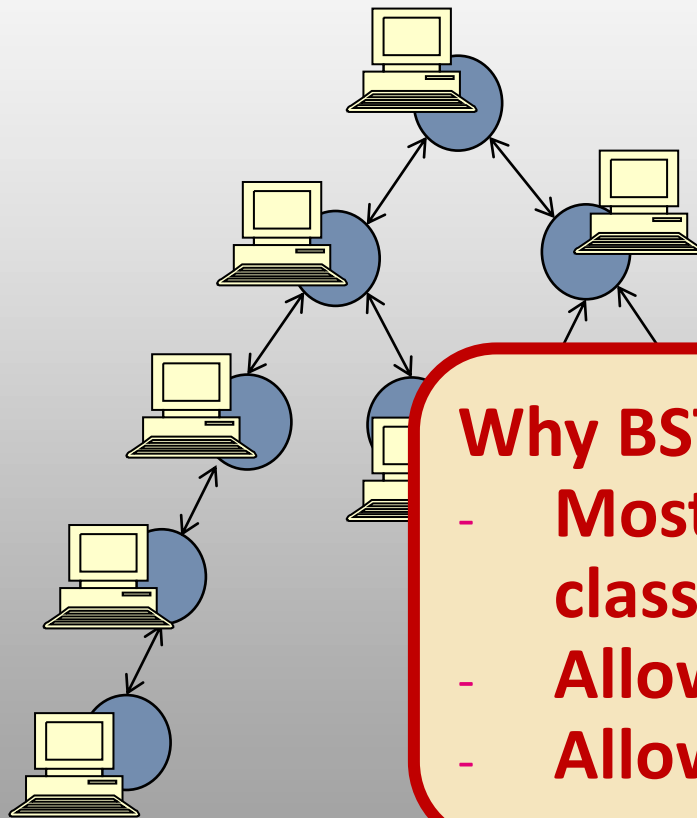
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**Communication between peer pairs!
(Not only lookups from root...)**

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Why BST?!

- Most simple generalization of classic data structure
- Allows for local routing!
- Allows for algebraic gossip

Model: Self-Adjusting SplayNets

Input:

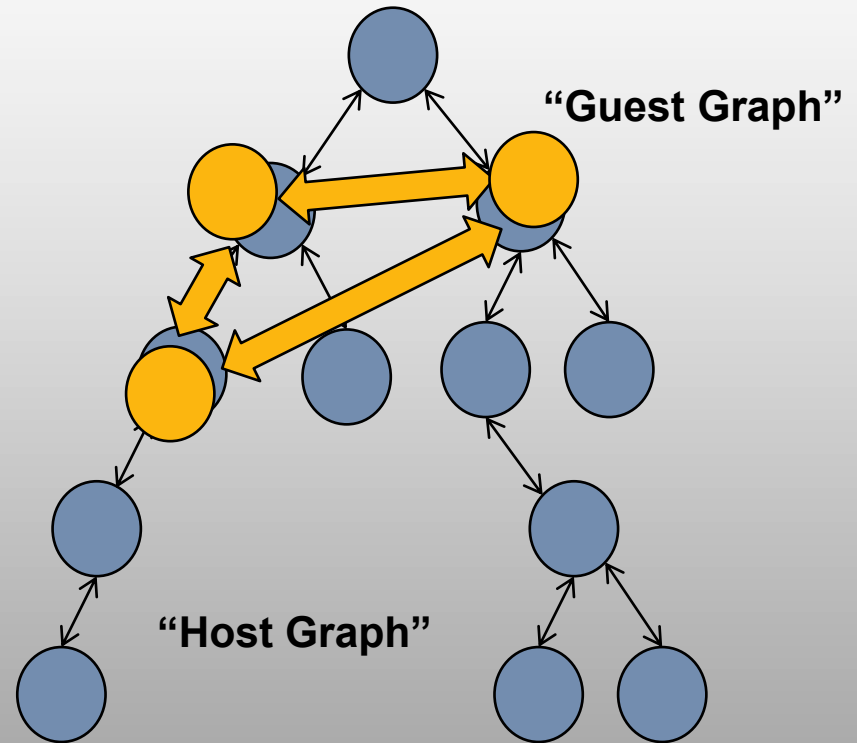
- communication pattern:
(static or dynamic) graph

Output:

- sequence of network adjustments

Cost metric:

- expected path length
- # (local) network updates



Our Contribution

SplayNets

- “Online algorithm” for self-adjusting distributed trees
- Optimal offline algorithm (polynomial time, for large class of graphs!)

Performance evaluation:

- General bounds on amortized costs
- Lower bounds (empirical entropy)
- Analysis of convergence times for important static comm. patterns
- Optimality of online algorithm for special patterns (e.g., matchings)
- Simulation study (Facebook data)

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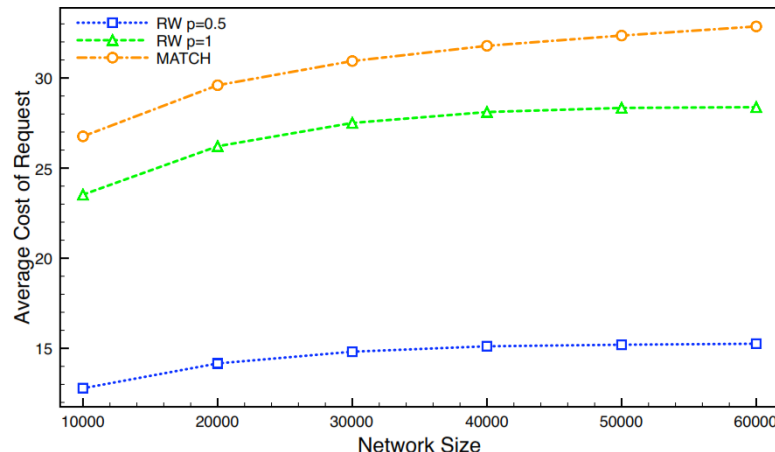
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Abstract—This paper initiates the study of self-adjusting networks (or distributed data structures) whose topologies dynamically adapt to a communication pattern σ . We present a fully decentralized self-adjusting solution called *SplayNet*. A *SplayNet* is a distributed generalization of the classic splay tree concept. It ensures short paths (which can be found using local-greedy routing) between communication partners while minimizing topological rearrangements. We derive an upper bound for the amortized communication cost of a *SplayNet* based on empirical entropies of σ , and show that *SplayNets* have several interesting convergence properties. For instance, *SplayNets* features a

more frequently should become topologically closer to each other (i.e., the routing distance is reduced). This contrasts with most of today's structured peer-to-peer overlays whose topology is often optimized in terms of static global properties only, such as the node degree or the longest shortest routing path.

This paper focuses on a most fundamental network, a distributed binary search tree (BST) network. Such networks are a natural first extension of classic data structures. Moreover, they facilitate simple and local



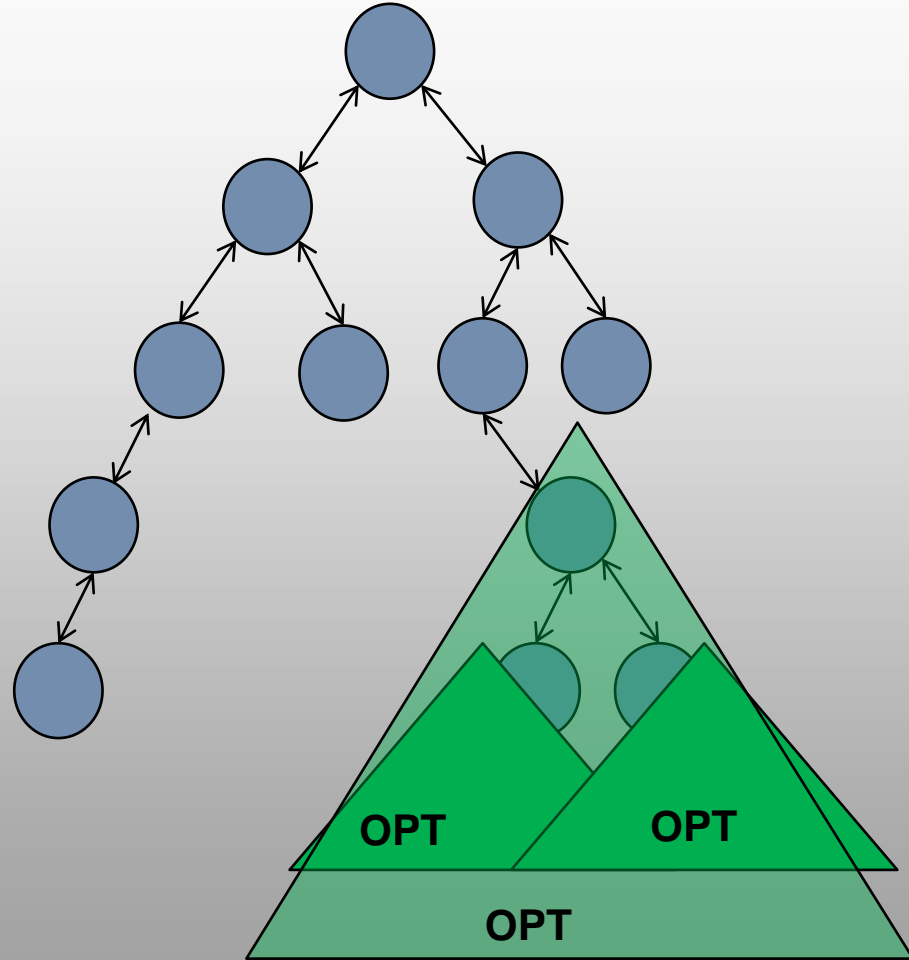
The Optimal Offline Solution

Dynamic program

- Binary search:
decouple left from right!
- Polynomial time
(unlike MLA!)
- So: solved M"BST"A

See also:

- Related problem of
phylogenetic trees

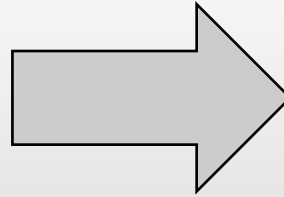
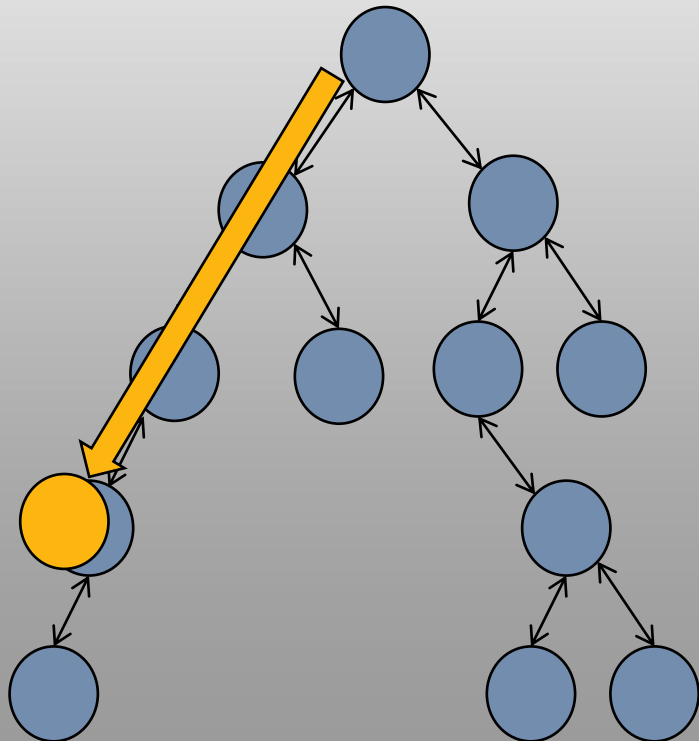


The Online SplayNets Algorithm

From Splay tree to SplayNet:

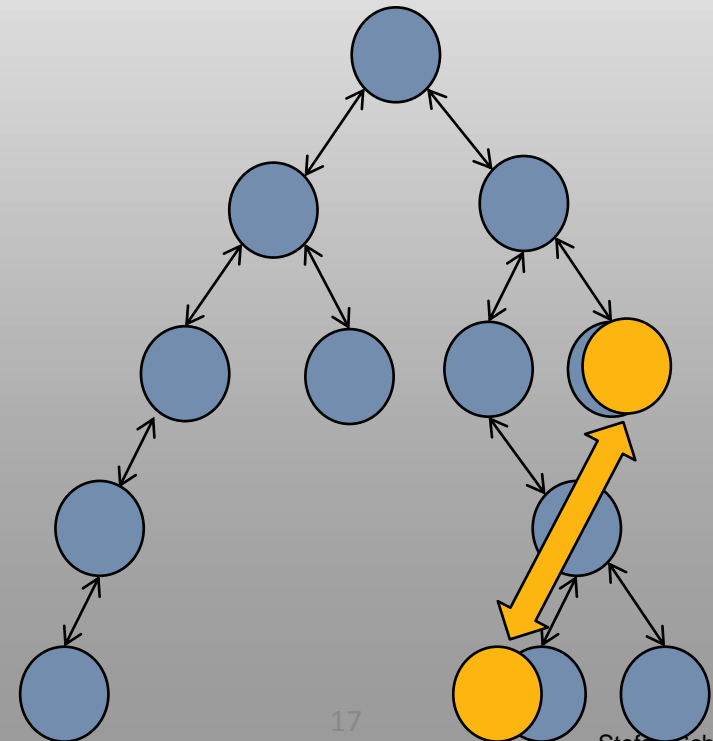
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- 1: (* upon lookup (u) *)
- 2: **splay** u to root of T



Algorithm 2 Double Splay Algorithm DS

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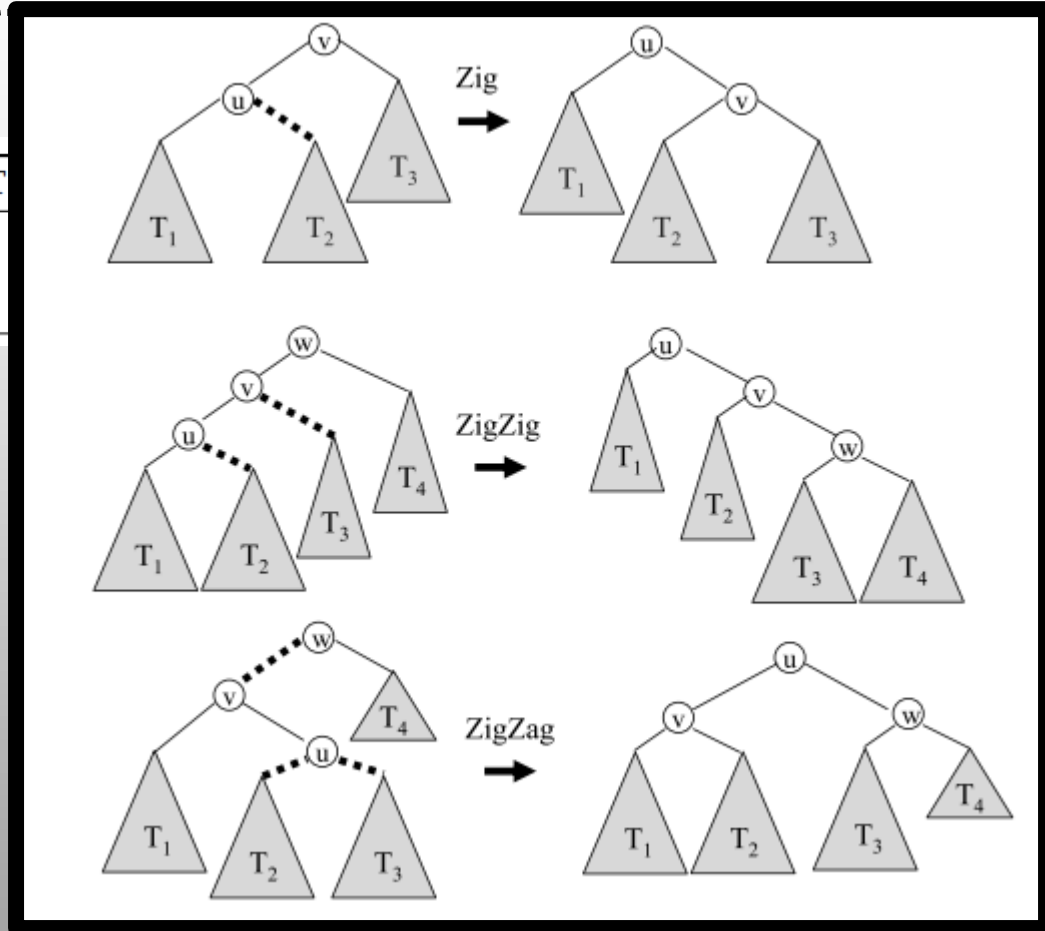
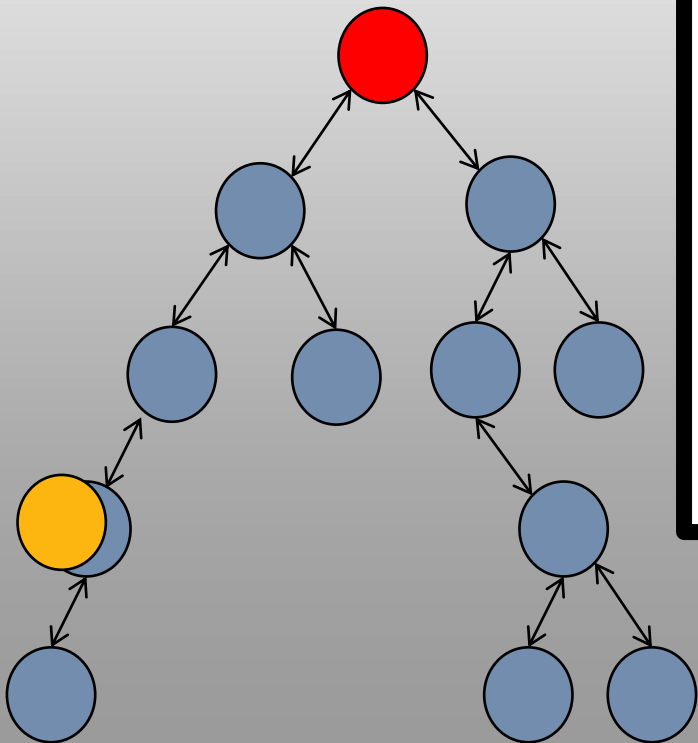


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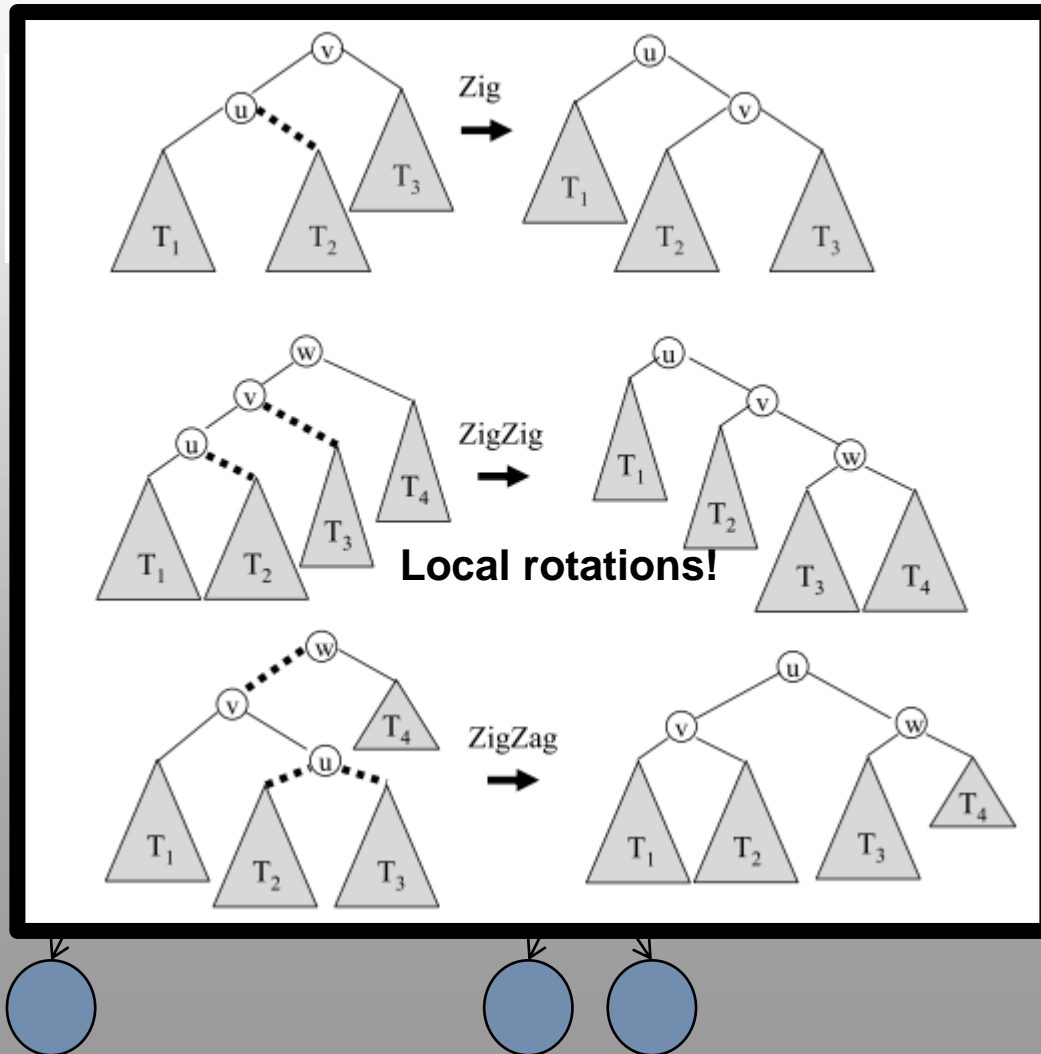
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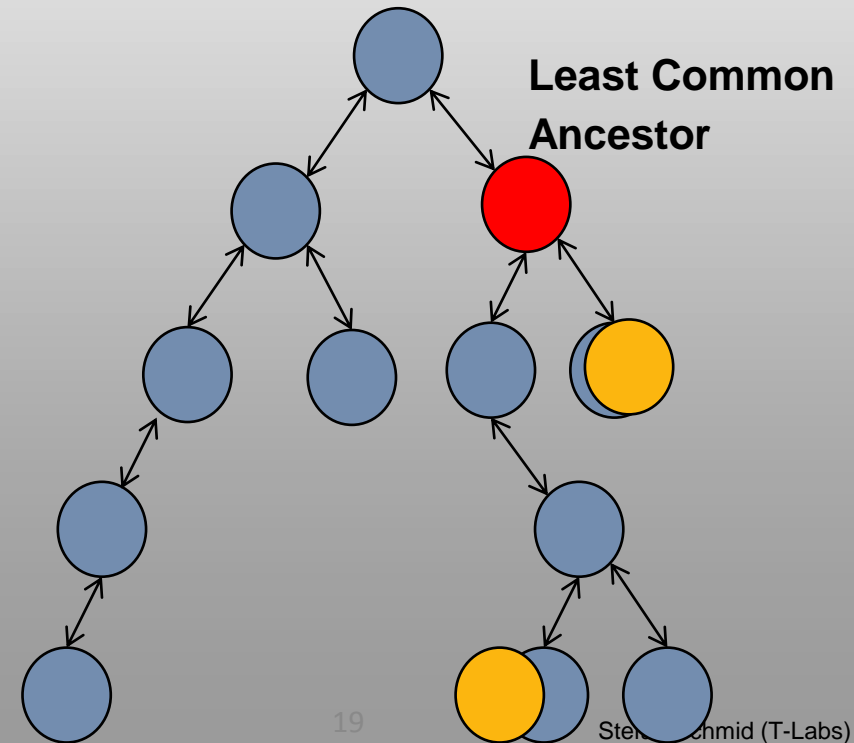
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Analysis: Basic Lower and Upper Bounds

Upper Bound

$$\mathbf{A\text{-}Cost} < H(X) + H(Y)$$

where $H(X)$ and $H(Y)$ are
empirical entropies of sources
resp. destinations

Adaption of Tarjan&Sleator

Lower Bound

$$\mathbf{A\text{-}Cost} > H(X|Y) + H(Y|X)$$

where $H(\cdot | \cdot)$ are conditional
entropies.

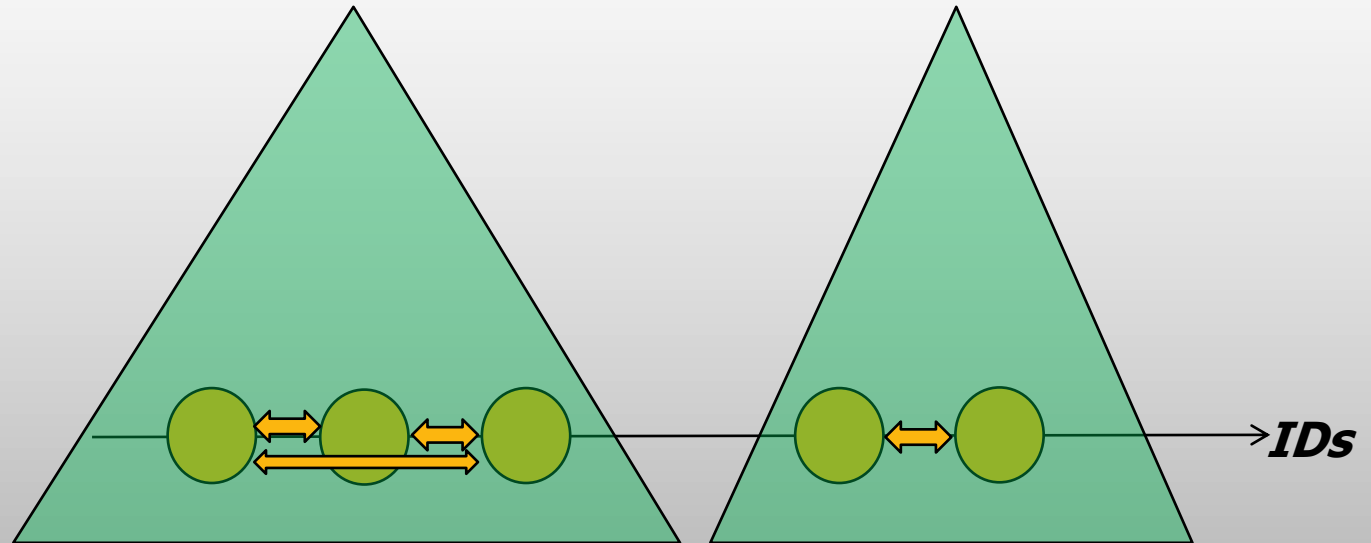
Assuming that each node is
the root for “its tree”

Therefore, our algorithm is optimal, e.g., if communication pattern describes a product distribution!

Properties: Convergence

Cluster scenario:

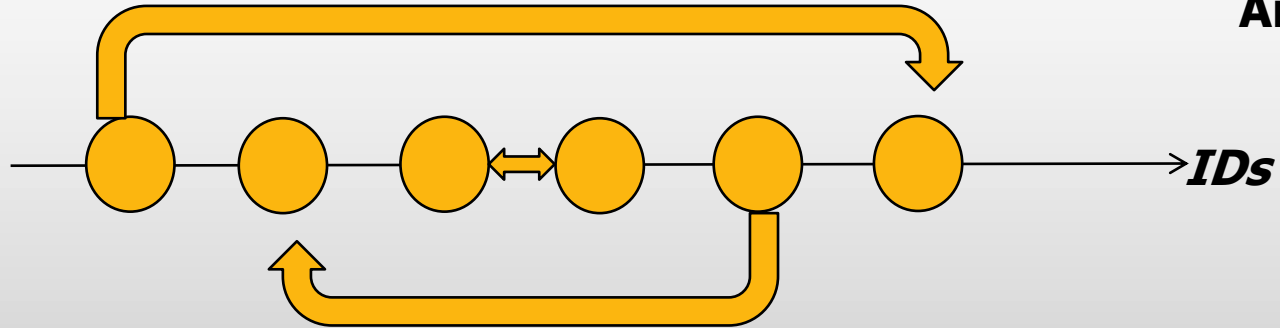
Nodes communicate within local clusters only!



Over time, nodes will form clusters in BST! No paths “outside”.

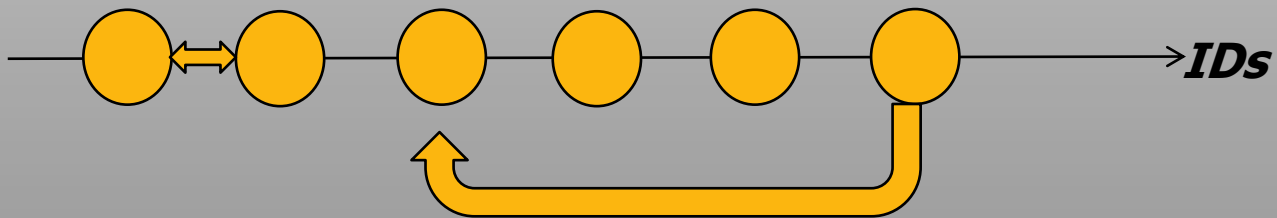
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Laminated scenario:



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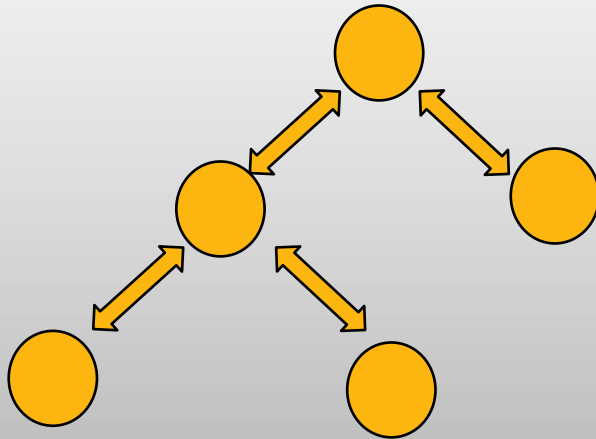
Non-crossing matching (= “no polygamy”) scenario:



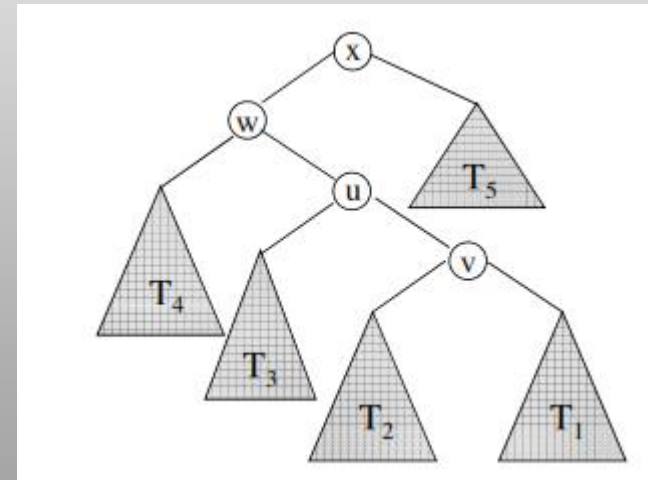
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Multicast scenario (BST): Example

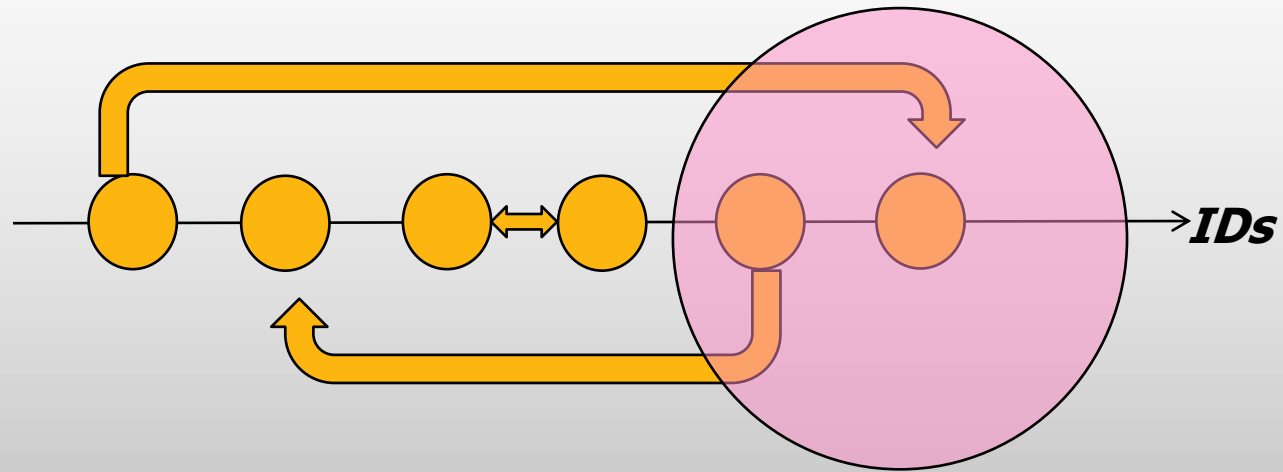


Invariant over “stable” subtrees
(from right):

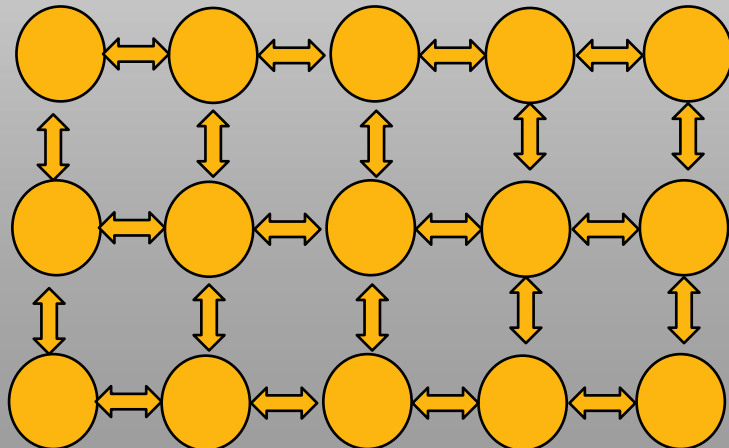


Improved Lower Bounds (and More Optimality)

Via interval cuts or conductance entropy:

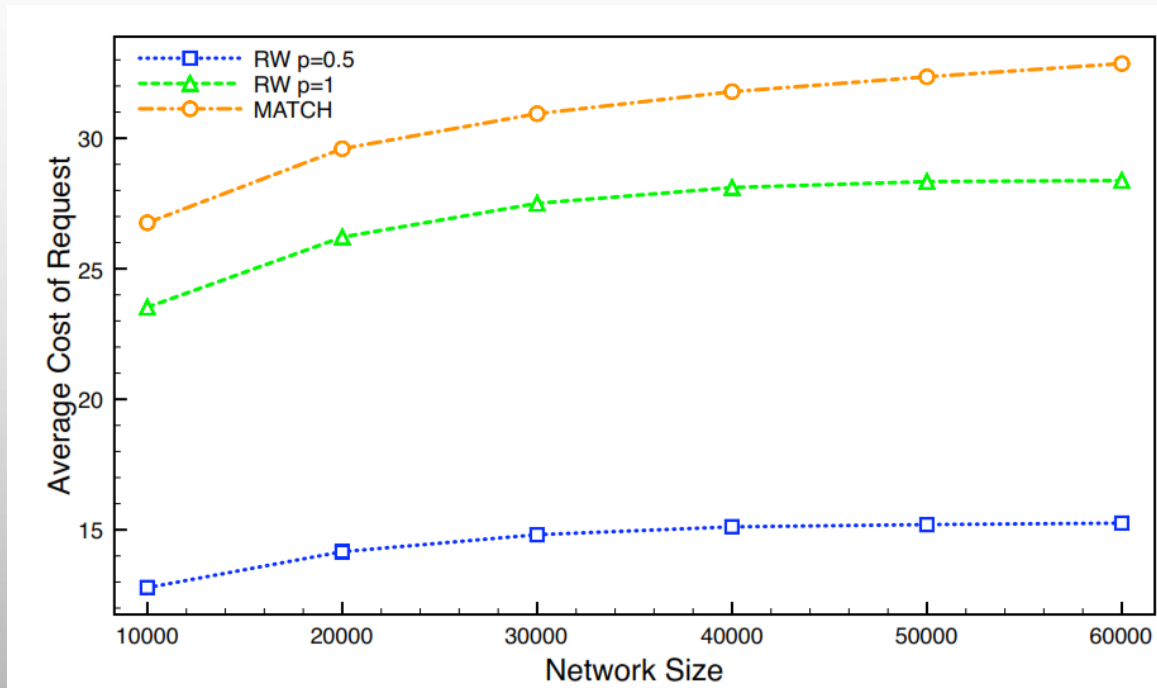


Grid:



**Cut of interval: entropy
yields amortized costs!**

Simulation Results

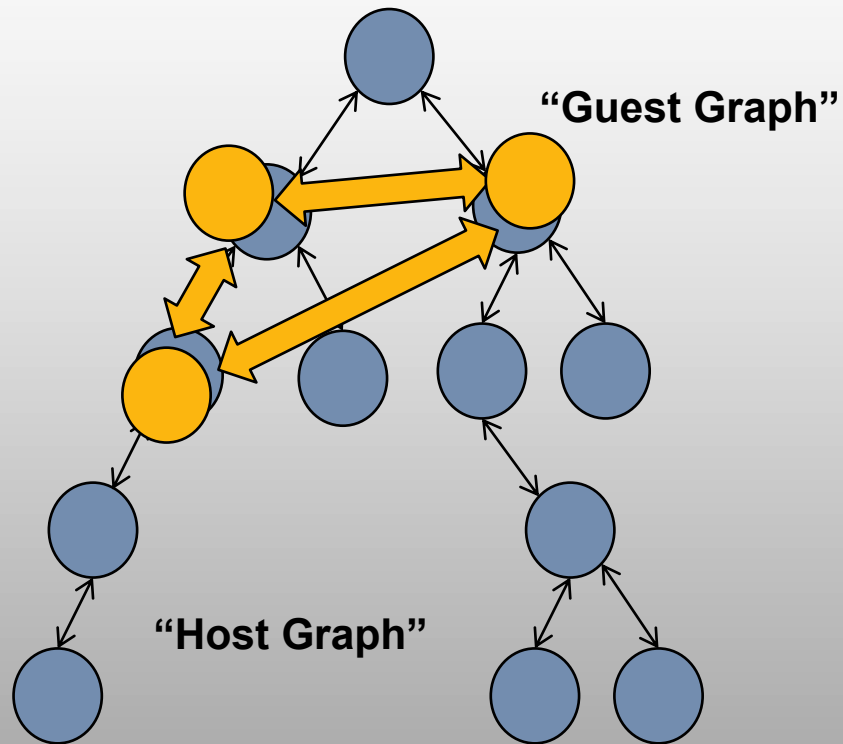


- Facebook component with 63k nodes and 800k edges
- SplayNet exploit random walk locality, to less extent also matching

Conclusion

- Vision: self-adjusting networks
- Interesting generalization of Splay trees
- SplayNets
 - Formal analysis reveals nice properties
 - Amortized costs good: but tight?
 - Competitive ratio remains open
- Future work? Yes 😊

Thank you! Questions?



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