

Maximum Matchings in Geometric Intersection Graphs

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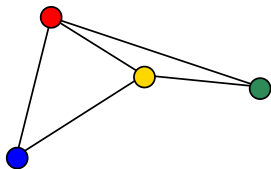
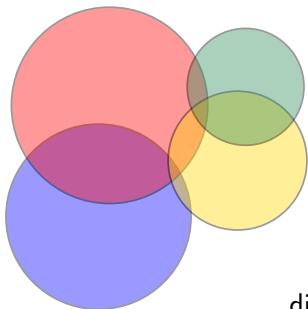
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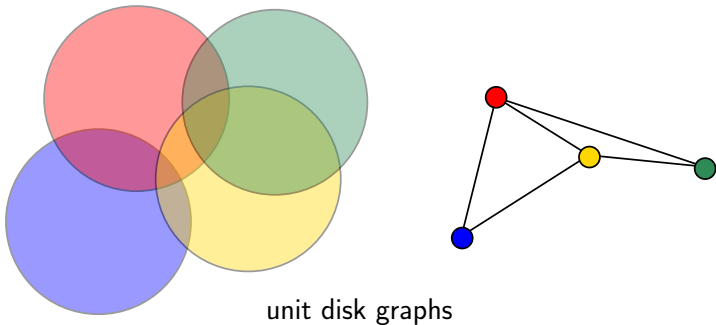


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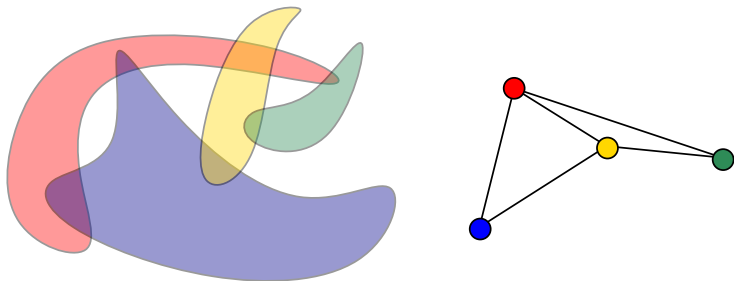


disk graphs

Unit disk intersection graphs



Fat object intersection graphs



Not necessarily pseudo-disks, but constant description complexity

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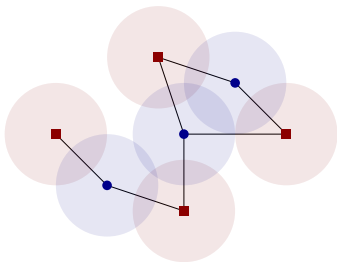
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- ▶ Use geometry to speed up
 - Use geometric data structures (← previous work)
 - Use the structure of the graph (← our focus)

Previous works

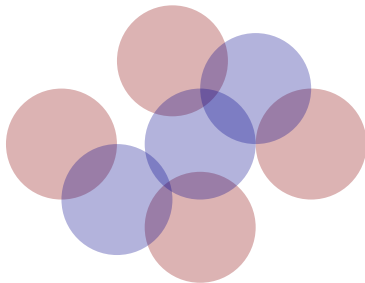
- ▶ maximum matching **bicolored** (unit) disk graph in $\tilde{O}(n^{3/2})$ time
[Efrat, Itai, Katz '01]



- ▶ improving the $\tilde{O}(n^{3/2})$ for **bicolored** case would be great; remains **open**, even for unit squares
- ▶ max matching (unit) disk graph – nothing specialized known

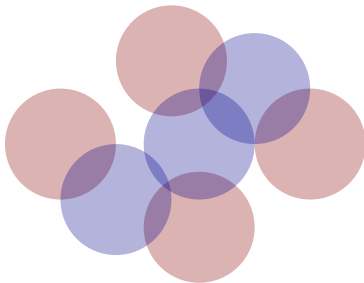
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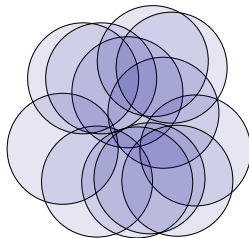
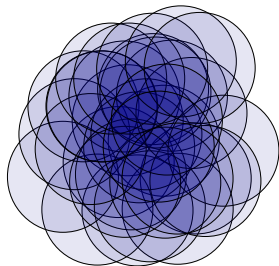
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- ▶ maximum matching in $O(\rho^{3\omega/2} n^{\omega/2}) = O(\rho^{3.56} n^{1.19})$
 - improvement when $\rho = O(n^{0.113})$
- ▶ bicolored, unicolored; actually any given subgraph
- ▶ works for *fat shapes* or *low-density* scenarios

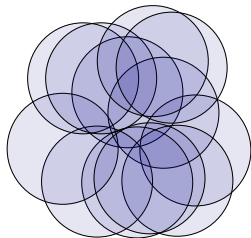
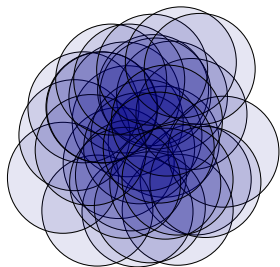
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- ▶ $O(n \text{ polylog } n)$ time reduction
- ▶ using semi-dynamic data structures for nearest neighbors
- ▶ **only** works for unicolored *full* intersection graph
- ▶ works for fat shapes of comparable sizes

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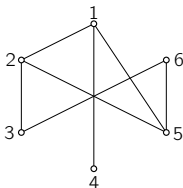
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Same ideas (sparsification + bounded depth case), other data structures

- ▶ disks of radius in $[1, \Psi]$ in time $O(\Psi^6 n \text{polylog } n + \Psi^{12\omega} n^{\omega/2})$ whp
- ▶ translates of $O(1)$ convex shapes in \mathbb{R}^2 in time $O(n^{\omega/2})$ whp

Low density case – Outline

- ▶ adapt [Mucha, Sankowski '06] for planar graphs in $O(n^{\omega/2})$
- ▶ adapt [Yuster, Zwick '07] for H -minor-free $O(n^{3\omega/(\omega+3)})$
- ▶ rank of an “incidence” matrix [Lovász '79, Rabin, Vazirani '89]
- ▶ Gaussian elimination, nested dissection [Lipton, Rose, Tarjan '79]
- ▶ geometric small balanced separators [Har-Peled, Quanrud '17]
- ▶ get **explicit dependency on ρ** .



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Skew-symmetric matrix or Tutte matrix:

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Theorem (Lovász '79)

The rank of $\tilde{A}(G)$ is twice the size of a maximum matching in G .

$A(G)$ = replace every entry $x_{i,j}$ of $\tilde{A}(G)$ by a random element of \mathbb{Z}_p

By DeMillo-Lipton-Zippel-Schwartz lemma,

$\det(A(G)) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \det(\tilde{A}(G)) \neq 0$ wp $\geq 1 - n/p$

→ randomized $O(n^\omega)$ -algorithm to decide a perfect matching

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$A_{i,j}^{-1} \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow G - \{v_i, v_j\}$ has a perfect matching, whp

If $v_i v_j \in E(G)$, it is *allowed* as being extendible to a perfect matching

Theorem (Mucha and Sankowski '04)

Find a maximum matching in $O(n^\omega)$, whp

Batching *allowed edges* and *lazy elimination*

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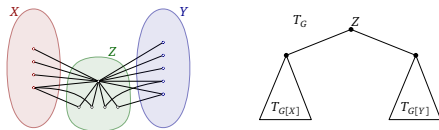
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(γ, β, α) -separator tree: T_G rooted at an α -balanced separator Z of size $\leq \gamma|V(G)|^\beta$, sep. X from Y , with children $T_{G[X]}$ and $T_{G[Y]}$



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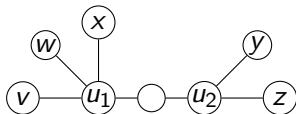
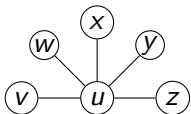
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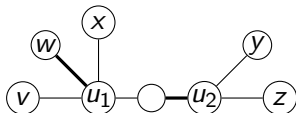
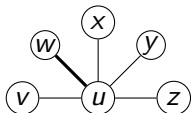
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A post-order traversal of a separator-tree gives a low fill-in

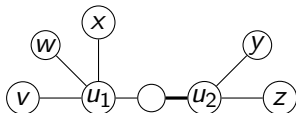
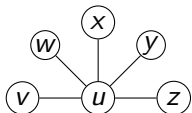
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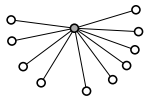
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In both cases, the max matching size increases by exactly 1



Reduction to constant degree

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Lemma (Smith and Wormald '98, Har-Peled and Quanrud '17)

A set of n objects with density ρ in \mathbb{R}^2 admits an α -balanced separator of size $O(\sqrt{\rho n})$.

Take the vertices intersected by a randomly scaled "balanced" circle

Processing the input (2)

\mathbb{G}_ρ = class of the subgraphs of intersection graphs with density ρ

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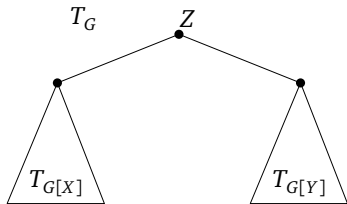
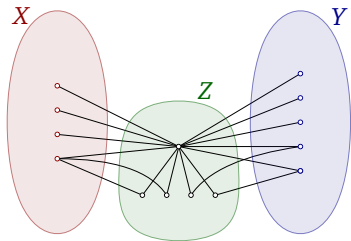
For every $G \in \mathbb{G}_\rho$, we can compute in expected $O(\rho n \log n)$ a pair (G', T') s.t.

- ▶ G' is obtained from G by a series of vertex-splits
- ▶ G' has degree 4 and $O(\rho n)$ vertices and edges
- ▶ T' is a $(O(\rho), 1/2, \alpha)$ -separator tree of G'

Follow [Yuster and Zwick '07] tracking the dependency in ρ

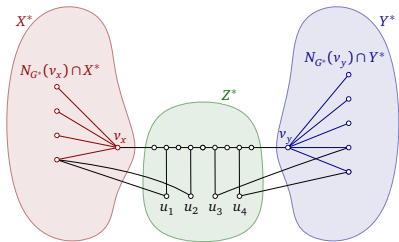
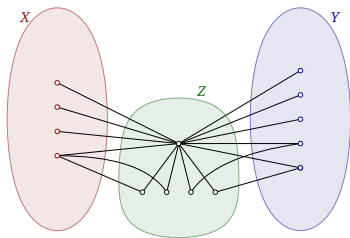
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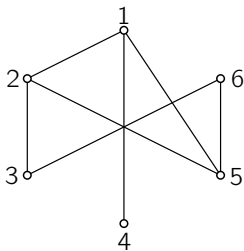
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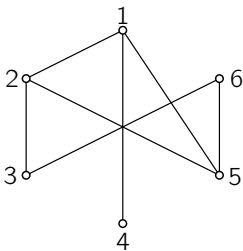
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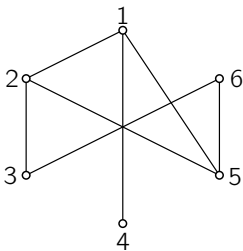


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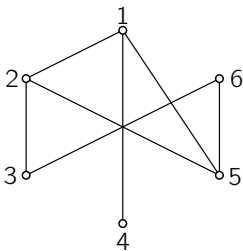


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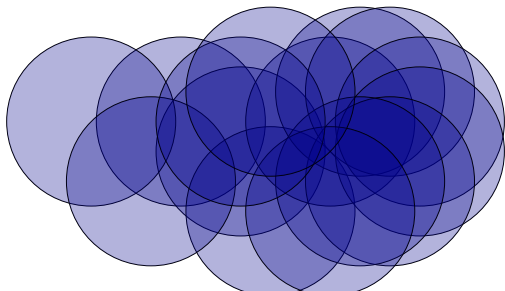
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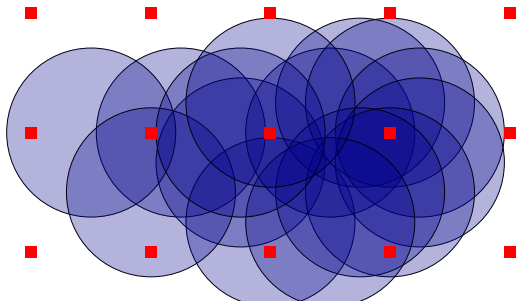
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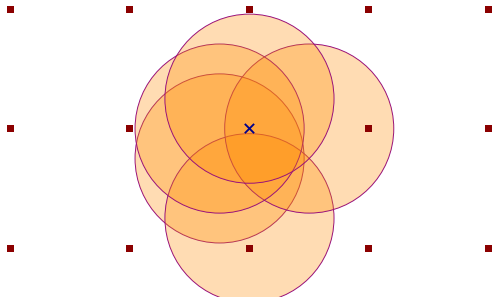
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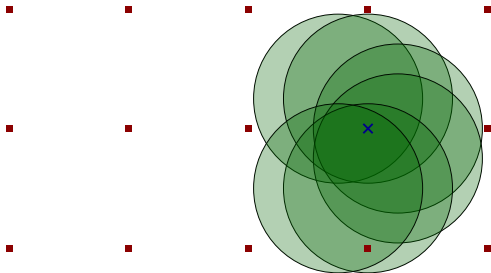
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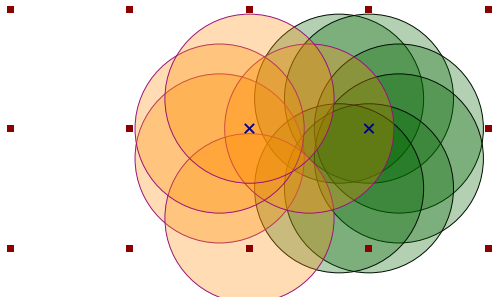
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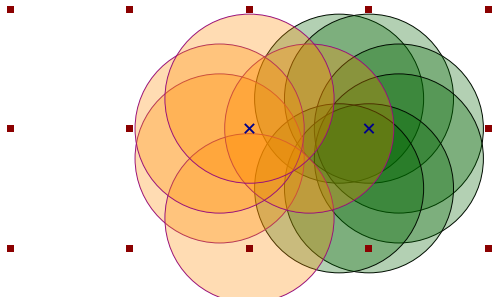
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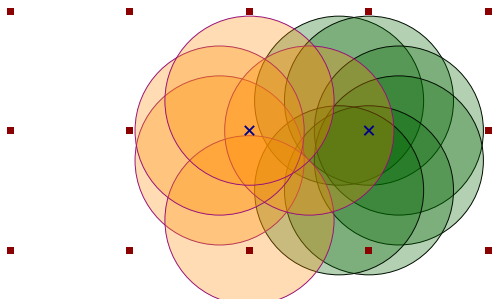
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- ▶ data structures (shape dependent) for maximal matching



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