

# Succinct Graph Structures

## Lecture 4 - Labeling Schemes

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### Introduction

High-level question: How to represent a graph?

Conventional approach:

- Give the vertices arbitrary  $O(\log n)$ -bit identifiers.  
Say, a unique num in  $[n]$
- Use some usually centralized representation (adjacency matrix/list...)

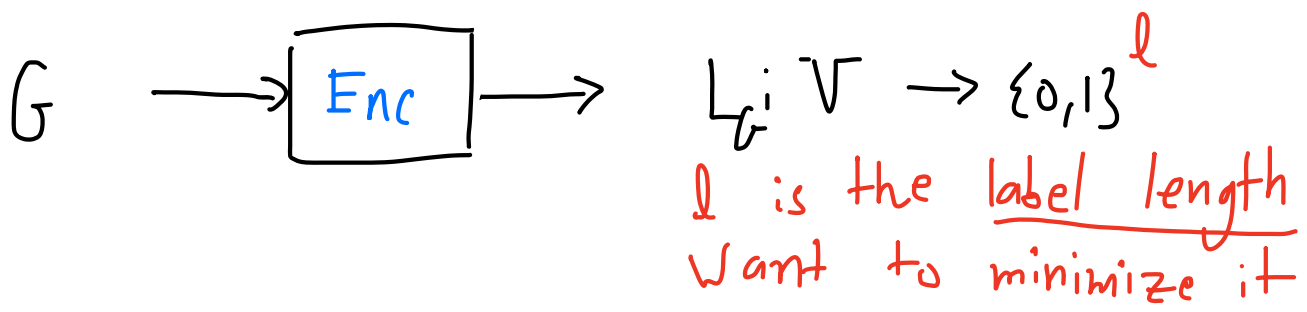
Vertex names  
are meaningless

Today: Labeling Schemes: "Meaningful names"  
("Distributed representation")

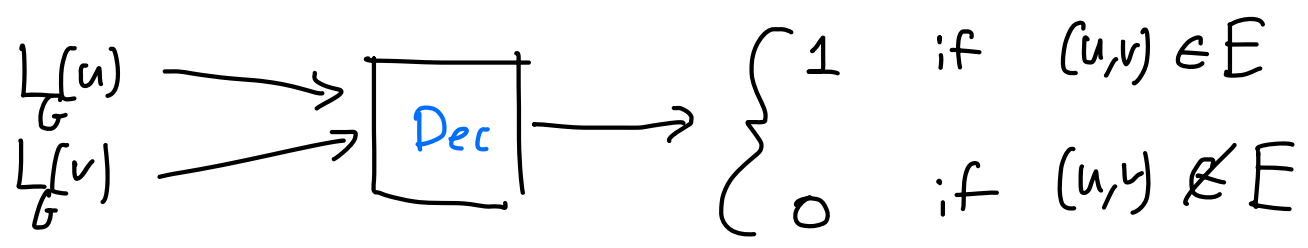
# Adjacency Labeling Schemes

Pair of algorithms:

① Encoder gets a graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $|V| = n$ .  
should assign a short label  $L_G(v)$  to each  $v \in V$ .



② Then, Decoder gets two labels  $L(u), L(v)$   
and should determine if  $u, v$  are adjacent in  $G$



Encoder	Decoder
- knows the graph	- <u>Doesn't know the graph</u> [but knows what is the encoder alg]
- Constructs labels	- Answers queries given labels

## General adjacency labels

Claim: A adjacency labeling scheme for general  $n$ -vertex graphs must have length  $l = \Omega(n)$ .

Proof: Let  $\mathcal{G}$  - family of graphs with  $V = [n]$


Define  $\varphi: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{l \cdot n}$

$$\varphi(G) = (L_G(1), L_G(2), \dots, L_G(n))$$

Given  $\varphi(G)$ , can reconstruct  $G$  using Decoder

$\Rightarrow \varphi$  is 1-1

$\Rightarrow 2^{l \cdot n} \geq |\mathcal{G}| = 2^{\binom{n}{2}}$

$\Rightarrow l = \Omega(n)$  

Exer: Show  $O(n)$ -bit adjacency labels.

## Tree adjacency labels

What if restrict attention to family of trees?

There are  $n^{n-2}$  trees on  $[n]$  (Cayley's formula)

$\Rightarrow$  label length LB of  $\frac{\log(n^{n-2})}{n} = (1-o(1)) \log n$

What about UB?

Claim: There is an adj. labeling scheme for trees with label length  $2 \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$ .

Proof: Encoder: gets  $T = ([n], E)$  and chooses arbitrary root.

- For vertex  $i \in [n]$ , let  $p(i)$  be its parent. (for the root  $r$  we can define  $p(r) = r$ ).
- Label of  $i$  is  $L(i) = (i, p(i))$

Decoder: given  $L(i), L(j)$

return "adjacent"  $\Leftrightarrow i = p(j)$  or  $j = p(i)$   $\square$

Why pay attention to constants?

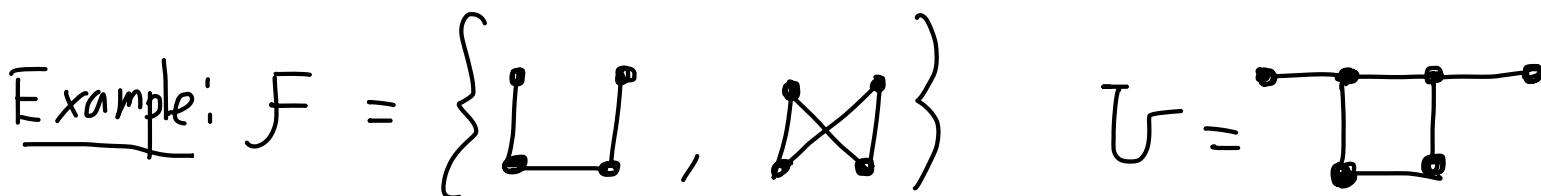
# Universal graphs

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Def: Graph  $U=(V,E)$  is universal for graph family  $\mathcal{F}$  if:

$\forall G \in \mathcal{F}, \exists$  induced subgraph of  $U$  that is isomorphic to  $G$ .

induced subgraph: choosing some vertex-subset  $X \subseteq V$   
take all  $X$ -to- $X$  edges from  $U$   
(can't discard  $X$ -to- $X$  edges)



Thm [Kannan, Naor, Rudich, '88]

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a graph family.

$\mathcal{F}$  has adj. labeling scheme with length  $l \iff \mathcal{F}$  has a universal graph  $U$  with  $2^l$  vertices

[that assigns unique labels to the vertices of any  $G \in \mathcal{F}$ ]

The arboricity of planar graphs is 3

Corollaries:

- $O(n^2)$ -vertex universal graph for  $n$ -vertex trees
- Fact: the edges of a planar graph can be partitioned to 3 forests  
 $\Rightarrow$   $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil$ -bit adj. labels (Exercise: why?)  
 $\Rightarrow$   $O(n^4)$ -vertex universal graph for planar graphs
- $O(n^{a+1})$ -vertex universal graph for  $n$ -vertex graph of arboricity  $a$

Proof:

( $\Rightarrow$ ) vertices of  $\mathcal{U}$  are  $\{0,1\}^l$   
 put edge between  $x, y \in \{0,1\}^l$  iff the decoder  
 outputs "adjacent" when supplied with  $x, y$  as input.  
 For  $G \in \mathcal{F}$ , the subgraph induced on  $\{L_G(v) \mid v \in V(G)\}$  is isom.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Encoder: given  $G \in \mathcal{F}$   
 - find isomorphic induced subgraph  $G'$  of  $\mathcal{U}$   
 - label each vertex of  $G$  by the name  
 of its corresponding vertex from  $G'$

Decoder: given  $L_G(u), L_G(v)$   
 - return adjacent  $\Leftrightarrow$  vertices  $x=L_G(u), y=L_G(v)$   
 are adjacent in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

Note: Decoder knows  $\mathcal{U}$  (part of the scheme)  
 doesn't know  $G$ !

Note:  $G'$  being induced subgraph is crucial  
 for correctness!

$$x, y \text{ adj. in } \mathcal{U} \Leftrightarrow x, y \text{ adj. in } G' \Leftrightarrow u, v \text{ adj. in } G$$

$\downarrow$   $G'$  induced subgraph                       $\downarrow$   $L_G$  isomorphism



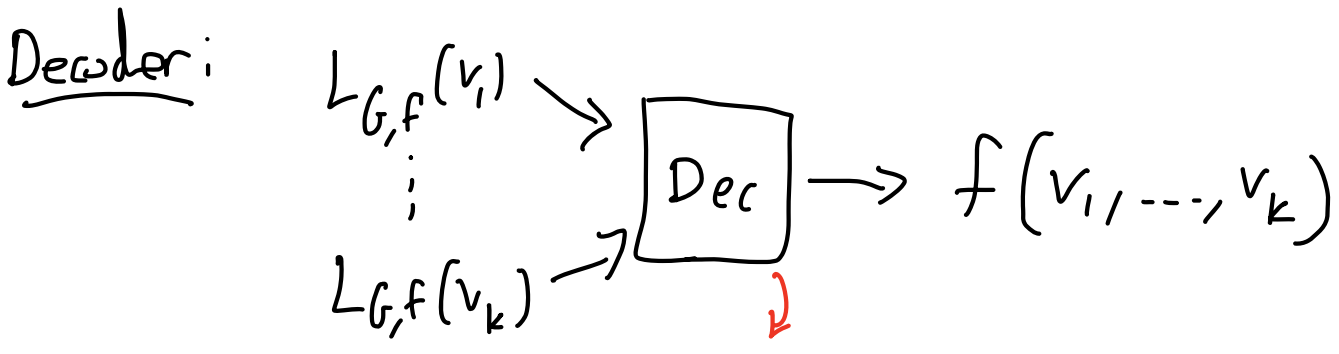
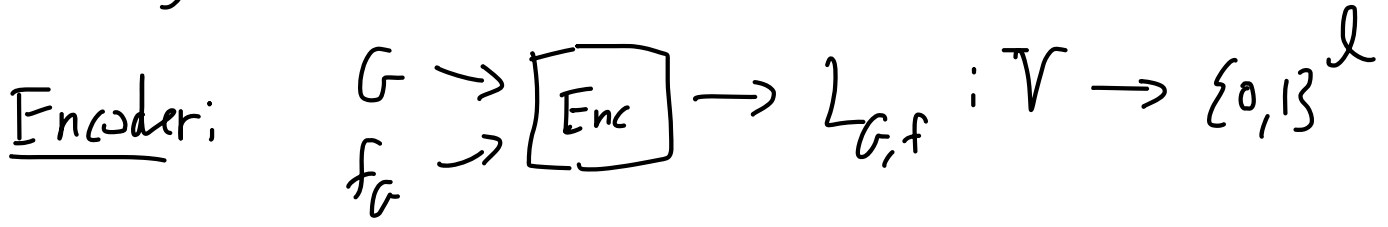
# Informatile Labeling Schemes

Suppose we have graph  $G = (V, E)$   
and some function of interest  $f_G: V^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$

Examples:  $k=2$

- distance:  $f_G(u, v) = \text{dist}_G(u, v)$
- adjacency:  $f_G(u, v) = \begin{cases} 1 & (u, v) \in E \\ 0 & (u, v) \notin E \end{cases}$
- flow:  $f_G(u, v) := \max \# \text{ of edge-disjoint } u-v \text{ paths}$   
 $[ := \min \# \text{ edges in a } uv\text{-cut} ]$

## Labeling scheme for function f:



Decoder doesn't know G

# Distance labeling in trees

Thm1: There is an  $O(\log^2 n)$ -bit distance labeling scheme for trees

Reminder: Heavy-Light Decomp. of <sup>rooted</sup> tree  $T$

- The heavy child  $h(v)$  of vertex  $v$  is the child with most vertices in its subtree
- Edges of the form  $(v, h(v))$  are heavy edges  
The remaining edges are light edges
- Key property: every (simple) tree path contains only  $O(\log n)$  light edges

Encoder: for vertex  $v$ , let  $\pi(r, v)$  be the path from the root  $r$  to  $v$ .

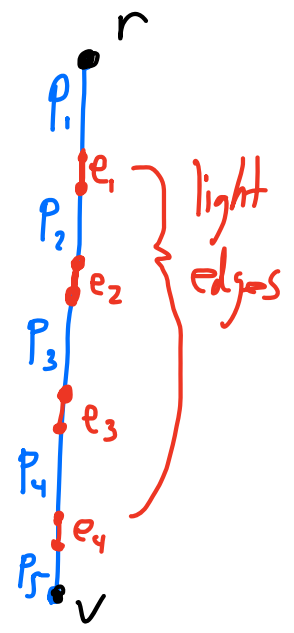
- Partition it to segments of only heavy edges with interleaving light edges

$$\pi(r, v) = P_1 \circ e_1 \circ P_2 \circ e_2 \circ P_3 \circ e_3 \circ \dots \circ P_k$$

The label  $L_T(v)$  is the "compressed"  $\pi(r, v)$ :  
→ each  $P_i$  is replaced with its length  $|P_i|$

$$L_T(v) = (|P_1|, e_1, |P_2|, e_2, \dots, |P_k|)$$

By "key property",  $k = O(\log n) \Rightarrow$  length  $O(\log^2 n)$





Decoder: given  $L_T(u), L_T(v)$

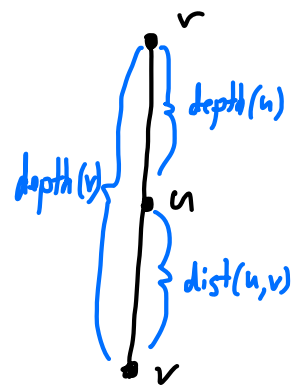
Obs 1: can compute  $depth(u) = |\Pi(r, u)|$  and  $depth(v) = |\Pi(r, v)|$

Obs 2:  $u$  is an ancestor of  $v$  iff

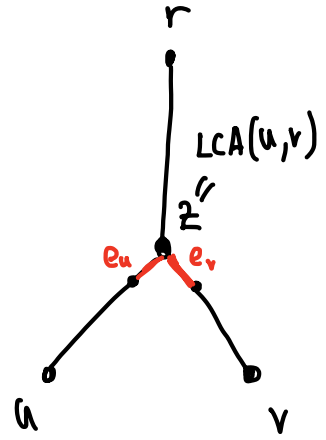
- \*  $depth(u) \leq depth(v)$ , and
- \*  $\{light\ edges\ in\ \Pi(r, u)\} \subseteq \{light\ edges\ in\ \Pi(r, v)\}$

→ Can detect if  $u, v$  have ancestry relations

→ if they do, return  $|depth(v) - depth(u)|$



Assume now that  $u, v$  don't have ancestry relations



⇒

①  $dist(u, v) = depth(u) + depth(v) - 2 \cdot depth(z)$

depth of  $LCA(u, v)$   
also called  $SepLevel(u, v)$

② at least one of  $e_u, e_v$  is light!

Say its  $e_u$

→ Can detect  $e_u$  in  $L_T(u)$  (look for first point of difference from  $L_T(v)$ )

→ Can compute the length of the common prefix of  $\Pi(r, v)$  and  $\Pi(r, u)$  :

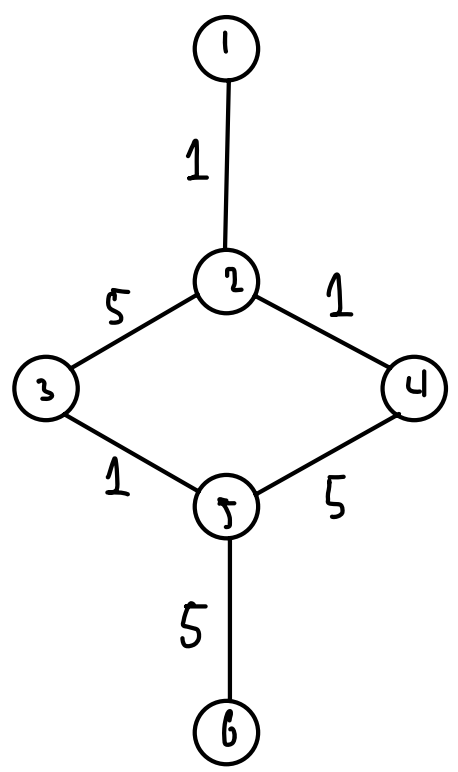
This is  $SepLevel(u, v)$ !

Corollary: An  $O(\log^2 n)$ -bit labeling scheme for separation level in trees

# Flow labeling scheme

We now focus on  $n$ -vertex graphs  $G$  with integral edge capacities (multiplicities) in  $\{1, 2, \dots, W\}$

Recall: the flow between two vertices  $u, v$   
= max # edge-disj.  $u-v$  paths



	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	$\infty$	1	1	1	1	1
2		$\infty$	6	2	2	2
3			$\infty$	2	2	2
4				$\infty$	6	5
5					$\infty$	5
6						$\infty$

*Symmetric*

Thm: There is an  $O(\log^2(nW))$  labeling scheme for flow.

Lemma: For any  $k \geq 0$ ,

$R_k = \{ (x, y) \in V \times V \mid \text{flow}_G(x, y) \geq k \}$   
is an equivalence relation.

Proof: Reflexive + Symmetric: trivial.

Transitive: Suppose  $\text{flow}(x, y) \geq k$  and  $\text{flow}(y, z) \geq k$ .

By way of contradiction, assume  $\text{flow}_G(x, z) < k$ .

By min-cut max-flow thm, there is a cut  $(S, V \setminus S)$  of capacity  $< k$  with  $x \in S, z \in V \setminus S$ .

- if  $y \in S$ , then  $(S, V \setminus S)$  is an  $y, z$ -cut,

so by min-cut max-flow thm,  $\text{flow}(y, z) < k$  - contradiction.

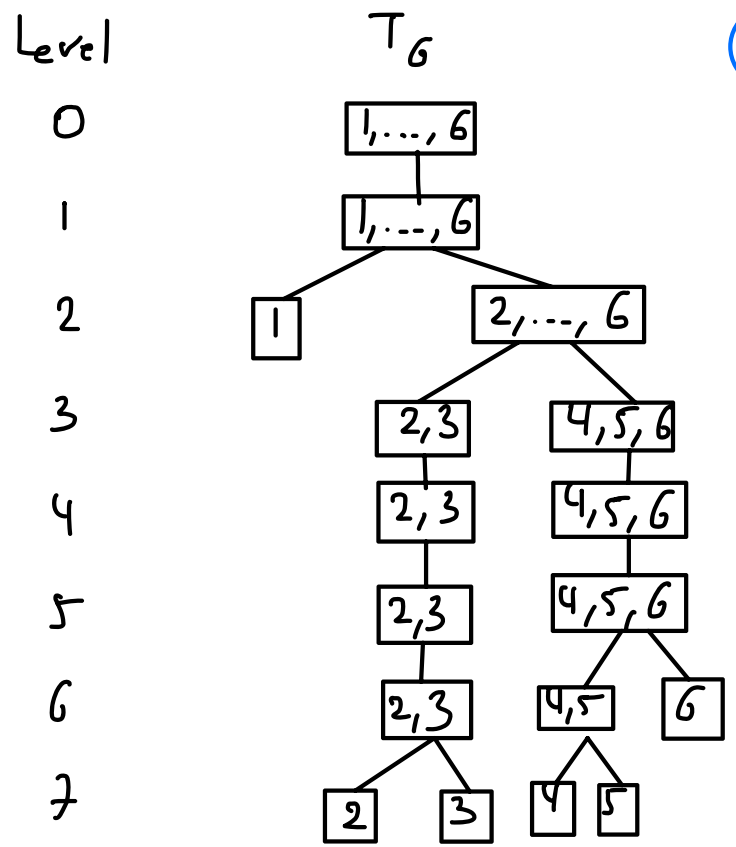
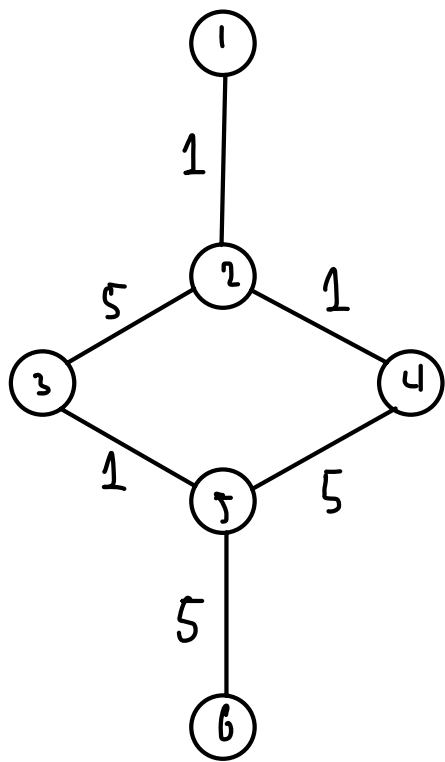
- the case  $y \in V \setminus S$  is similar.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{C}_k$  be the equivalence classes of  $R_k$

Note that  $\mathcal{C}_{k+1}$  is a refinement of  $\mathcal{C}_k$

Construct tree  $T_G$ :

- nodes in level  $k$  are the classes in  $\mathcal{C}_k$
- parent of node  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{k+1}$  is  $C' \in \mathcal{C}_k$  s.t.  $C \subseteq C'$ .
- leaves correspond to singletons
- only  $O(n^2 W)$  levels (as  $x$  cannot have larger flows)



Obs :  $flow_G(x, y) = SepLevel_{T_G}(leaf_{T_G}(x), leaf_{T_G}(y))$

Can use labels  $L_G(x) = L_{T_G}(leaf_{T_G}(x))$   
 $\Rightarrow$  where  $L_{T_G}(\cdot)$  are SepLevel labels!

length:  $O(\log^2 |V(T_G)|) = O(\log^2(nw))$

# Distance Labeling and Separators

Def: A separator of a graph  $G=(V,E)$ ,  $|V|=n$  is a vertex subset  $S \subseteq V$  such that removing  $S$  from  $G$  breaks it into connected components each of size  $\leq \frac{2}{3}n$ .

Claim: Every tree has a separator of size 1.

Proof: The following alg finds the separator:

$v \leftarrow$  the root  
 while  $h(v)$  has  $> \frac{n}{2}$  vertices in its subtree:  
      $v \leftarrow h(v)$   
 return  $v$

heavy child  $\leftarrow$

Thm (Planar Separator): Every planar graph on  $n$  vertices has a separator of size  $O(\sqrt{n})$ .

Def: A family of graphs  $\mathcal{F}$  has  $r(n)$ -separators if every  $G \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $n$  vertices has a separator of size  $\leq r(n)$ .

- Trees:  $r(n) = 1$
- planar graphs:  $r(n) = O(\sqrt{n})$

Thm: Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a subgraph-closed family with  $r(n)$  separators.

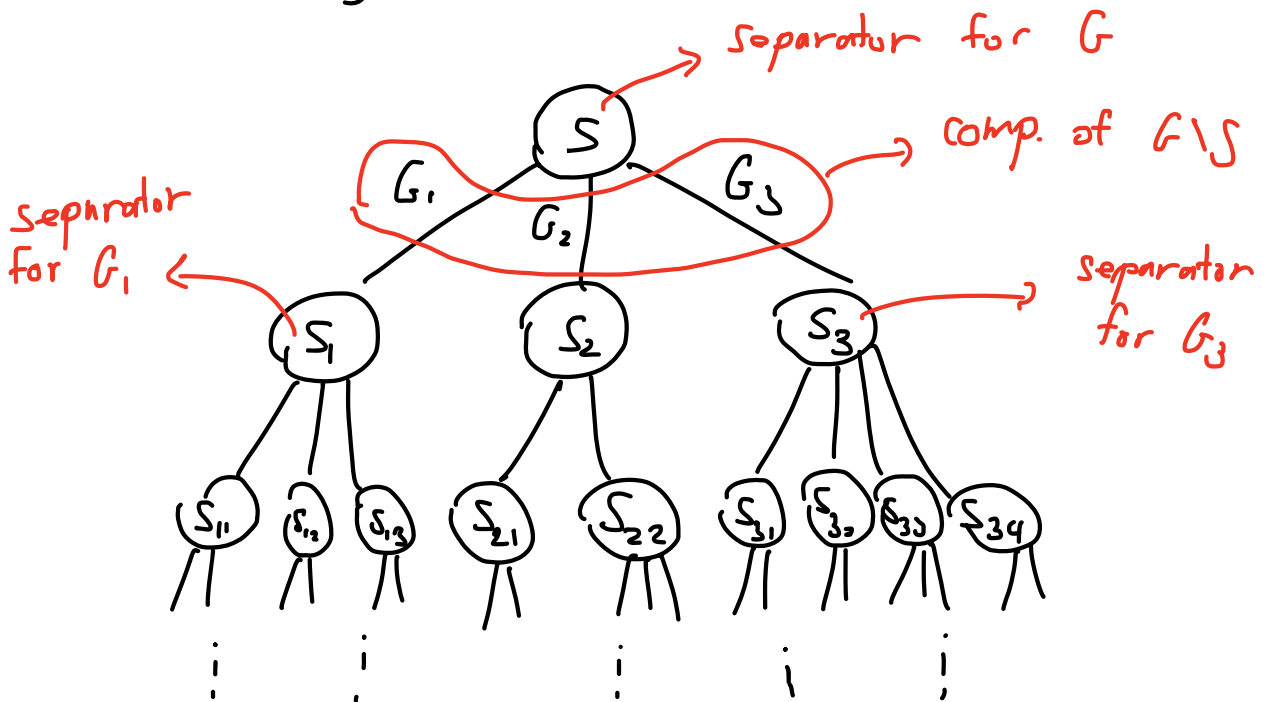
Then  $\mathcal{F}$  has a distance labeling scheme with length

$$O(R(n) \log n + \log^2 n), \quad R(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} r\left(\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^i n\right)$$

$R(n) = 1$  for  $\mathcal{F} = \{\text{trees}\}$   
 $R(n) = O(\log n)$  for  $\mathcal{F} = \{\text{planar graphs}\}$

Idea: construct a "tree of separators":

- root node contains separator  $S$  for  $G$
- create an edge for each connected comp. of  $G \setminus S$
- recursively apply tree construction on each such component



⊛ Nodes partition  $V$ ;

Denote  $\text{node}(v)$  for the one containing  $v \in V$

