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- Two classical problems of information dissemination in computer networks:
  - The broadcasting problem:
    - Distributing a particular message from a distinguished source node to all other nodes in the network
  - The gossiping problem:

Each node u in the network initially holds a message  $m_u$ , and it is required to distribute all messages  $m_u$  to all nodes in the network

- The model of the network:
  - An undirected connected graph *G* = (*V*, *E*), (*u*, *w*) ∈ *E* iff the transmissions of node *u* can directly reach node *w* and vice versa.
  - The number of neighbors of a node w is called its degree. the maximum degree of any node in the network is called the max-degree of the network and is denoted by Δ.
  - each node *u* either transmits or listens.
  - a node *w* adjacent to *u* successfully receives this message iff in this step *w* is listening and *u* is the only transmitting node among *w*'s neighbors.

- Part 1:
  - Deterministic schedule  $O(D + \Delta \log n)$  for the gossiping task Best known gossiping schedule  $O(D + {}^{i+2}\sqrt{D}\Delta \log {}^{i+1}n)$
  - Deterministic schedule  $D + O(\log^3 n)$  for the broadcast task Randomized schedule  $D + O(\log^2 n)$  for the broadcast task Best known broadcasting schedule  $D + O(\log^4 n)$

- Part 2:
  - Broadcasting schedule for planar graphs  $\geq 3D$ Best known broadcasting schedule  $D + O(\log^3 n)$

- The gossiping task can be performed in two consecutive stages.
  - First Stage: gather all individual messages in one (central) point of the graph.
  - Second Stage: the collection of individual messages is broadcast to all nodes in the network.

- We start this section with the presentation of a simple gathering procedure that works in time  $O((D + \Delta) \log n)$  in free trees.
- Later we show how to choose a spanning breadthfirst (BFS) tree in an arbitrary graph G in order to gather (along its branches) all messages in G also in time  $O((D + \Delta) \log n)$
- Finally, we show how the gathering process can be pipelined and sped up to time  $O(D + \Delta \log n)$

#### • Ranking procedure:

- Given an arbitrary tree, we choose as the root its central node *c*. The nodes in a tree rooted in *c* are partitioned into consecutive layers  $L_i = \{v \mid dist(c, v) = i\}$  for i = 0, ..., r where *r* is a radius of the tree. We denote the size of each layer  $L_i$  by  $|L_i|$
- Each leaf v has rank(v) = 1
- A non-leaf node determines its rank as  $rank(v) = r_{max}$  where  $r_{max}$  is the maximum rank of its children.
- If there are at least two children with the rank  $r_{max}$  then the rank of node v is set to rank $(v) = r_{max} + 1$

#### • Ranking procedure:

• Lemma 2.1. *The largest rank in a tree of size n is bounded by* [log n]



Figure 1: A ranked tree of size n = 37

- The schedule is now defined in stages using the ranked tree by partitioning the nodes into different rank sets  $R_i = \{v \mid rank(v) = i\}$  for  $1 \le i \le r_{max} \le \lceil \log n \rceil$
- The meaning of this partition is that the nodes in  $R_i$  are involved in transmissions only during the stage *i*.

• We now define two key subsets of nodes for each stage. The fast transmission set:

 $F_i^k = \{v \mid v \in L_k \cap R_i \text{ and } parent(v) \in R_i\}.$ Also define  $F_i = \bigcup_{k=1}^D F_i^k$  and  $F = \bigcup_{i=1}^{r_{max} \leq \lceil \log n \rceil} F_i.$ The slow transmission set:

 $S_i^k = \{ v \mid v \in L_k \cap R_i \text{ and } parent(v) \in R_j, j > i \}.$ Also define  $S_i = \bigcup_{k=1}^D S_i^k$  and  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^{r_{max} \le \lceil \log n \rceil} S_i.$ 

• Lemma 2.2. During the *i*th stage, all nodes in  $F_i^k$  can transmit to their parents simultaneously without any collisions, for  $i = 1, ..., r_{max} \leq \lceil \log n \rceil$  and k = 1, ..., D.

- The following procedure moves messages from all nodes with rank *i* into their parents with ranks *i* + 1 or higher.
  - Procedure Gathering(*i*);
    - 1. Move messages from nodes in  $F_i$  to  $S_i$  from  $F_i^D$  down to  $F_i^1$  layer by layer.
    - 2. Move messages from nodes in  $S_i$  to their parents, all parents collect their messages from their children in  $S_i$  one by one.
- The time complexity of step 1 is O(D) due to Lemma 2.2.
  The time complexity of step 2 is bounded by O(Δ)

Theorem 2.3. In any tree of size n, diameter D and maximum degree  $\Delta$ , the gossiping task can be completed in time  $O((D + \Delta) \log n)$ .

- Gathering messages in arbitrary graphs:
  - Gathering spanning tree (GST)
    - In an arbitrary graph G = (V, E), any BFS spanning tree  $T_G$  of G s.t.
    - (1)  $T_G$  is rooted at the central node c of G,
    - (2)  $T_G$  is ranked, and
    - (3) all nodes in  $F_i^k$  of  $T_G$  are able to transmit their messages to their parents simultaneously without any collision, for all  $1 \le k \le D$  and  $1 \le i \le r_{max} \le \lceil \log n \rceil$

is called a gathering spanning tree, or simply GST

#### The construction of GST.

- In a graph G = (V, E), an arbitrary ranked BFS spanning tree rooted in the central node *c* is called a pre-gathering-tree  $T_{PGT} = (V, E_{PGT})$
- Function Check-collision(*i*, *j*): a pair of nodes;

(1) if  $\exists u, v \in F_j^i$  and  $(u, parent(v)) \in E$ , where  $u \neq v$  then return(u, v);

else return('null');



Original Graph



Pre-gathering-tree with ranks

#### • Procedure Gathering-Spanning-Tree:

(1) For $i := D$ down to 1 do
2) begin
(3) For $j := r_{max}$ down to 1 do
(4) begin
(5) While CHECK-COLLISION $(i, j) \neq 'null'$ do
(6) begin
(7) $\operatorname{rank}(parent(v)) = j + 1;$
(8) $F_j^i = F_j^i - \{v, u\};$
$S_j^i = S_j^i \cup \{v, u\};$
(10) $\check{E}_{PGT} = \check{E}_{PGT} - \{(u, parent(u))\};$
(11) $E_{PGT} = E_{PGT} \cup \{(u, parent(v))\};$
(12) re-rank $T_{PGT}$ only at the top BFS layers
from $i - 1$ down to 0;
(13) recompute sets in $F$ and $S$ in new $T_{PGT}$ ;
(14) end
(15) end
(16) end



Pre-gathering-tree with ranks



Lemma 2.4. After completing the pruning process at layer *i* in  $T_{PGT}$ , the structure of edges in  $T_{PGT}$  between layers *i* -1,...,*D* is fixed, i.e., the transmissions within layers *i*,...,*D* in all sets  $F_j$ , for  $j = 1,...,r_{max} \leq \lceil \log n \rceil$  are free of collisions.

• Theorem 2.5. *There exists an efficient polynomial time construction of a GST on an arbitrary graph G.* 

• Using the ranks of the GST nodes (constructed in the previous section), all nodes get partitioned into distinct rank sets  $R_i = F_i \bigcup S_i$ , where  $1 \le i \le r_{max} \le \lceil \log n \rceil$  Initially, all messages are gathered into the central node *c*, stage by stage, using the structure of the GST.

- During the ith stage, all messages from nodes in *F<sub>i</sub>* are first moved to the nodes in *S<sub>i</sub>*.
- We divide the sequence of transmission time slots into three separate (interleaved) subsequences of time slots. Specifically, the nodes in S<sub>i</sub> transmit in time slots: t ≡ 0 (mod 3) iff i ≡ 0 (mod 3); t ≡ 1 (mod 3) iff i ≡ 1 (mod 3); and t ≡ 2 (mod 3) iff i ≡ 2 (mod 3). Later, we move all messages from nodes in Si to their parents in GST.

• Lemma 2.6. In stage i, nodes in set  $S_i$  of the GST transmit their messages to the parents in time  $O(\Delta)$ .

Theorem 2.7. In any graph G, the gossiping task can be completed in time  $O((D + \Delta) \log n)$ .

- In this section we show how to pipeline the transmissions of different stages.
- The pattern of transmissions of a node *v* at layer *i* and with rank *j* in GST depends on whether it belongs to the set *F* or to the set *S*, and it is as follows:

(1) if  $v \in F$ , then v transmits within the time block (D - i) + j  $\Delta$ 

(2) otherwise ( $v \in S$ ), v transmits within the time block (D - i) +  $j \varDelta$  + s(v),  $1 \le s(v) \le \varDelta$ 

Lemma 2.8. A node v transmits its message as well as all messages collected from its descendants towards its parent in GST successfully during the time block allocated to it by the pattern of transmissions.

• Theorem 2.9. In any graph G, the gossiping task can be completed in time  $O(D + \Delta \log n)$ .

• Corollary 2.10. The gossiping can be completed in time O(D) in all graphs with  $\Delta = O(D / \log n)$ .

- The deterministic algorithm B uses the concept of the ranked gathering spanning tree
- Let us start with an overview of the broadcast process from the point of view of a copy of the message that was eventually received at some leaf a of the tree.
- Let us denote that the message follow the shortest path p(a)

$$p(a) = \langle p_1^F(a), p_1^S(a), p_2^F(a), p_2^S(a), \dots, p_q^F(a), p_q^S(a) \rangle$$

- During the broadcasting process the nodes in the tree use the following pattern of transmissions:
  - Consider a node v of rank  $1 \le i \le r_{max}$  on BFS layer  $L_i$  with a child w of the same rank at the next BFS layer. Then v is set to perform a fast transmission to w in time steps t satisfying  $t \equiv i + 6j \pmod{6 r_{max}}$
  - The slow transmissions at the BFS layer  $L_i$  are performed in time steps t satisfying  $t \equiv i + 3 \pmod{6}$
  - For slow transmissions, algorithm B uses the O(log<sup>2</sup> n) transmission Procedure CW

• The total time required for the broadcast message to reach a leaf a in the tree can be bounded as follows. Let  $D_i$ , for  $1 \le i \le r_{max}$ , denote the length of  $p^F(a)$ , the ith fast segment of the route p(a) used by the broadcast message that has reached a. Thus the time required to communicate a is bounded by  $O(\log n) + D_1 + ::: + O(\log n) + Dr_{max} D +$  $O(\log^2 n)$  for the fast transmissions plus  $r_{max}$   $O(\log^2 n) =$  $O(\log^3 n)$  for the slow transmissions, yielding a total of  $D+O(\log^3 n).$ 

Theorem 3.1. There exists a deterministic polynomial time algorithm that constructs, for any n node radio network of diameter D, a broadcasting schedule of length  $D + O(\log^3 n)$ .

• Claim 3.2. Consider an uninformed node w in  $L_j+1$ . Suppose that at the beginning of the current activation of procedure RCW, w has some informed neighbors on layer  $L_j$ . Then w will get the message during the current activation of procedure RCW with constant probability  $p \ge 1/(4e)$ .

Theorem 3.3. There exists a randomized algorithm that for any known topology of n node radio network of diameter D and any source node s; following a polynomial preprocessing stage, broadcasts a message from s with high probability in time  $D + O(\log^2 n)$ .

• Corollary 3.4. For any known topology n nodes radio network of diameter D; there exists a broadcasting schedule of length  $D + O(\log^2 n)$ :



- In this section we sketch an algorithm for constructing a transmission schedule for performing broadcast from a given source s on a known planar radio network *G* in asymptotically optimal *O*(*D*) time. The schedule consists of *D* phases, each of up to 3 rounds.
- let  $L_p$  denote the set of vertices at distance p from s.
- Phase 1: Only s transmits, and by the end of this round, all the vertices of L<sub>1</sub> are informed.
- Assuming all the vertices of layer  $U = L_{p-1}$  are informed, let us now describe the algorithm for constructing the sub-schedule of phase p, designed to inform all the vertices of  $D = L_p$

- Preprocessing stage: Constructs a bipartite graph consisting only of the nodes of the two layers *U* and *D* and the edges connecting them.
  - Construct a planar embedding of *G* with *s* at the top (on the outer face) and all other vertices below it.
  - Erase from the graph all the vertices of layers L<sub>j</sub> for j > p and their edges, as well as all the edges connecting vertices of D
  - mark on the graph a shortest paths tree *T* rooted at s and leading to all the vertices of *U*
  - Next, erase from the graph all the vertices of layers other than *D* and *U* that do not participate in this tree



- Next, we replace the tree *T* by a star connecting *s* directly to the vertices of layer *U*.
- Next, we modify the embedding so that the vertices of layer *U* occur on a straight horizontal line and the vertices of layer *D* occur below this line.



- We now assign depth values to the vertices of *D*. This is done recursively as follows. Let *d* = 1. Assign each vertex *v* ∈ *D* on the outer face a depth value depth(*v*) = *d*. Now erase all the vertices of *D* on the outer face and their edges, and increase *d* by 1. If *D* is still nonempty then recurse.
- For each vertex v ∈ D, denote its leftmost U neighbor by left(v), its rightmost U neighbor by right(v), and the list of its remaining neighbours (if any) by rest(v), taken from left to right.
- Finally, the schedule is defined as follows. The three time slots of the current phase *p* are  $t_1 = 3p 4$ ,  $t_2 = 3p 3$  and  $t_3 = 3p 2$ .

- Stage *l* starts with the depth 1 vertices, kept in the ordered list D<sub>1</sub> = <v<sub>1</sub>,..., v<sub>κ</sub>>. Construct the ordered list of "breakpoint vertices"
- $B = \langle \operatorname{left}(v_1), \operatorname{right}(v_1), \ldots, \operatorname{left}(v_{\kappa}), \operatorname{right}(v_{\kappa}) \rangle$
- Assign time slots  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  alternately to the vertices of the list *B*.
- Next, for each  $v_i$  with nonempty list rest $(v_i)$ , assign time slots to the vertices of that list as follows.
- If left(v<sub>i</sub>) was assigned the time slot t<sub>1</sub> (hence right(v<sub>i</sub>) was assigned the time slot t<sub>2</sub>), then assign the time slots t<sub>3</sub> and t<sub>1</sub> alternately to the nodes of rest(v<sub>i</sub>) from left to right.



- Let us now describe stage *l* ≥ 2, showing how to assign time slots to some *U* neighbors of vertices in *D<sub>l</sub>* so as to ensure that they get the message during the current phase. The inductive hypotheses we rely on at the beginning of stage *l* are the following:
  - (P1) At the end of stage *l*-1, all the neighbors of vertices of *D<sub>k</sub>* for *k* < *l* were already assigned time slots,
  - (P2) these previously made assignments ensure that all the vertices of  $D_k$  for k < l receive the message during the phase, and
  - (P3) at the end of stage *l*-1, every two consecutive vertices in U<sub>assigned</sub> are assigned different time slots



Let *A* be the rightmost *U* vertex to the left of left(*v*) that has already been assigned a time slot  $t_A$  previously. (A can possibly be left(*v*) itself.) Similarly, let *B* be the leftmost *U* vertex to the right of right(*v*) (possibly right(*v*) itself) that has already been assigned a time slot  $t_B$  previously.



Note that left(v) and right(v) may have already been assigned a time slot previously, but the vertices of rest(v) (if any exist) are necessarily still unassigned at the beginning of stage l. Moreover, if both left(v) and right(v) have been assigned a time slot previously then these time slots must be different [(P3)], as A and B occur consecutively in  $U_{assigned}$ .



Now assign time slots to all unassigned U neighbors of v as follows. Let  $t_C \in \{t_1, t_2, t_3\}$  be a time slot different from  $t_A$  and  $t_B$ . Go over the unassigned U neighbors of v from left to right, and assign them the time slots  $t_C$  and  $t_A$  alternately.



: Final assignment of transmission times in D.

# CONCLUSION

- We proposed here new efficient (polynomial time) construction of the deterministic schedule that performs the gossiping task in time  $O(D + \Delta \log n)$ .
- The new gossiping schedule is asymptotically optimal if  $\Delta = O(D/\log n)$