## Near-Optimal Approximate **Dual-Failure Replacement Paths**

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### **Today's focus:**

- 1. Recover shortest paths info
- 2. **Precompute** all answers, so recovery time is poly-log

### **Other settings:**

- 1. Connectivity / reachability
- 2. Preprocessing vs. recovery

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- Total size of output  $\leq n^f$  (exercise: why not  $m^f$ )
- Trivial algorithm takes time  $mn^f \leq n^{f+2}$
- Main question: How to save the quadratic overhead?

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- Trivial algorithm takes cubic runtime  $mn \leq n^3$
- [VW, 2010] showed this is the best possible under a widely believed conjecture
- $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximations in runtime  $m \le n^2$  [Bernstein, 2010]
- **Corollary:**  $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximations for f-failures in  $mn^{f-1} \le n^{f+1}$  time

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- Optimal exact algorithm in runtime  $n^3$  [VWX, 2022]
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### **Our result** [CZ, 2024]

- $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximations in runtime  $n^2$ , optimal runtime
- **Corollary:**  $(1 + \epsilon)$ -approximations for f-failures in  $n^f$  time when  $f \ge 2$
- **Open:** exact solutions for 3-failures in  $n^3$  time?

## Summary of results



	f = 2	$f \geq 3$
	n <sup>3</sup> [VWX, 2022] [VW, 2010]	n <sup>f+1</sup> [VWX, 2022]
0]	n <sup>2</sup> New	n <sup>f</sup> New

# Different variants of RP (exact)



### Single-failure single-source RP

- Unweighted single-source RP in  $m\sqrt{n}$  time [CM, 2020]
- Small edge weights single-source RP in  $W^{0.805}n^{2.496}$  time [GPWX, 2021]

### Single-failure all-pairs RP

• All-pairs RP in  $Wn^{2.58}$  time [GR, 2021]



# Today's plan

- Review of single-failure approximate st-RP [Bernstein, 2010]
- Two main cases for dual-failure approximate st-RP
  - Only one failure is on the st-path
  - Both failures are on the st-path

Single-Failure Approx-RP [Bernstein'10]

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- Total runtime =  $n^2 \log_{1+\epsilon}(nW)$



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Two overlapping detours, two failures on two intervals

# A Simplified Setting



### Simplifying assumption:

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### **Simplified goal:**

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Enumerate pairs of failures in both intervals, and compute dual-failure RP

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Apply progressive Dijkstra for this part



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- How about approximate single-source RP?

• Quadratic time for approximate dual-failure st-shortest paths

Approximate single-failure single-source RP in linear time?