# Constant-Round Near-Optimal Spanners in Congested Clique 

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Multiplicative stretch:
- Size: $|H|=O\left(n^{1+1 / k}\right)$
- Approximation: $\forall s, t \in V, \operatorname{dist}_{G}(s, t) \leq \operatorname{dist}_{H}(u, v) \leq(2 k-1) \operatorname{dist}_{G}(s, t)$
- Optimal under the girth conjecture


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| Parter, Yogev <br> 2018 | $2 k-1$ | $O\left(n^{1+1 / k} \log ^{2} n\right)$ | $O(\log k)$ | unweighted |
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Success probability?
Each path is found with probability at least $1-\left(1-n^{-0.2}\right)^{n^{0.3}}>1-n^{-10}$


Communication?

- Receive: $O(n)$
- Send:

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n^{0.3} \cdot(\operatorname{deg})^{0.01 k} \leq n^{0.5}
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## Further questions

Optimal spanners in weighted graphs in congested clique? In our work, either $(1+\epsilon)(2 k-1)$ stretch or $k n^{1+1 / k}$ edges

1. Greedy spanner, highly sequential
2. $O\left(k n^{2+1 / k}\right)$ sequential runtime [Roditty \& Zwick, 2004]
