# Improved Distance Sensitivity Oracles via Tree Partitioning

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Define n = |V|, m = |E|; assume  $\text{Im}(\omega) = \{1, 2, \cdots, M\}$ .

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The set-intersection conjecture [PRT12] implies any reachability oracle with constant query time has space  $\tilde{\Omega}(n^2)$ . So it is not clear if our space upper bound is tight.

#### Notations

#### Definition

On shortest path  $s \rightsquigarrow t$ , for any h > 0, define  $s \oplus h$  to be the vertex which is h hops after s, and define  $t \ominus h$  to be the vertex which is h hops before t. Also, for any u, v, define interval [u, v] in the natural way.



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#### Partition single-source shortest paths trees

**Data structure:** For every  $s \in V$ , let  $T_s$  be the single-source shortest paths tree rooted at s, and apply Tree-partition Lemma on  $T_s$  with parameter n/L.



An SSSP tree.



Blue squares are selected vertices.

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 $u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_k$  are selected in SSSP tree T<sub>s</sub>.  $v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_l$  are selected in **reverse** SSSP tree  $\widehat{\mathsf{T}}_t$ .

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If  $L = \log^2 n$ , then the data structure so far occupies space  $O(n^2)$ .

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Analysis from [DT02] still works!

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Two-level partition: Tree

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# Thanks for listening

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