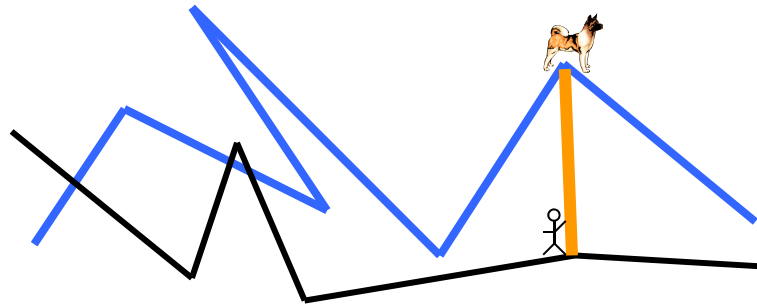


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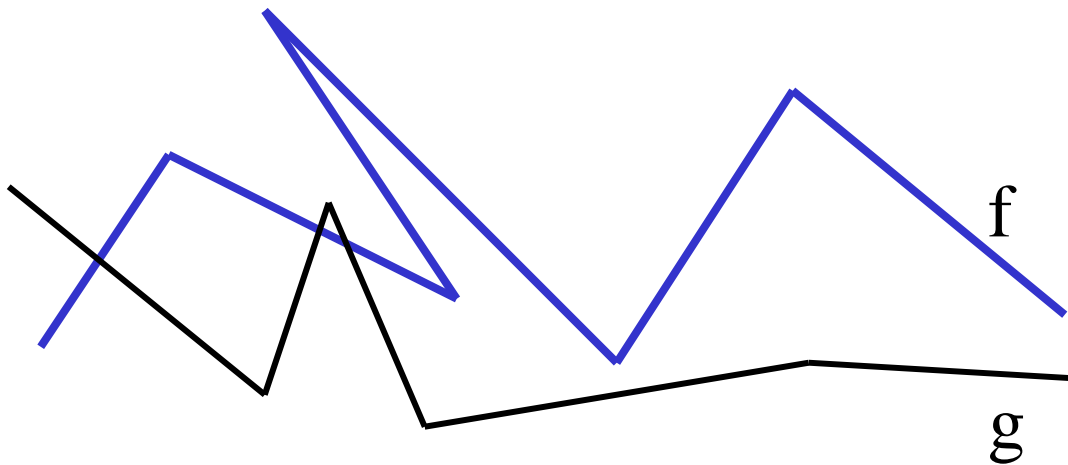


Fréchet Distance

Carola Wenk

Polygonal Curves

- Let $f, g: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ be two **polygonal curves** (i.e., piecewise linear curves)



- What are good distance measures for curves?
 - Hausdorff distance?
 - Fréchet distance?

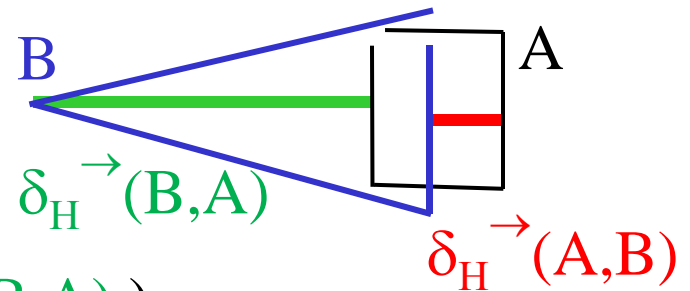
When Are Two Curves „Similar“?

- Directed Hausdorff distance

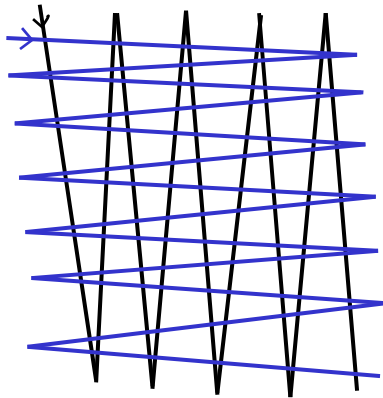
$$\delta_H^{\rightarrow}(A,B) = \max_{a \in A} \min_{b \in B} \| a-b \|$$

- Undirected Hausdorff-distance

$$\delta_H(A,B) = \max(\delta_H^{\rightarrow}(A,B), \delta_H^{\rightarrow}(B,A))$$



But:

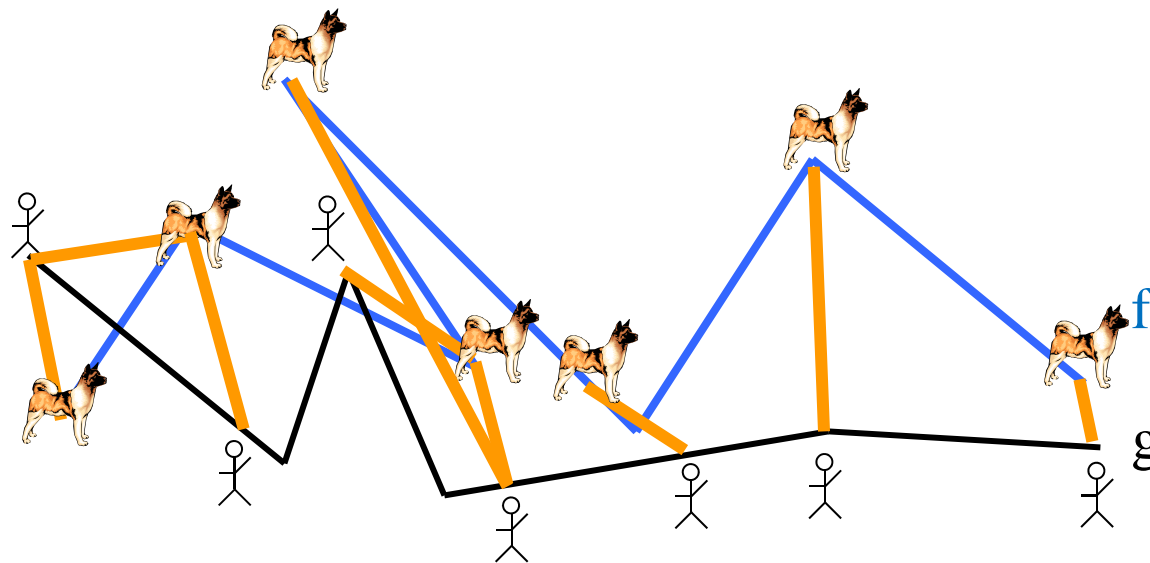


- Small Hausdorff distance
- When considered as curves the distance should be large
- The Fréchet distance takes the continuity of the curves into account

Fréchet Distance for Curves

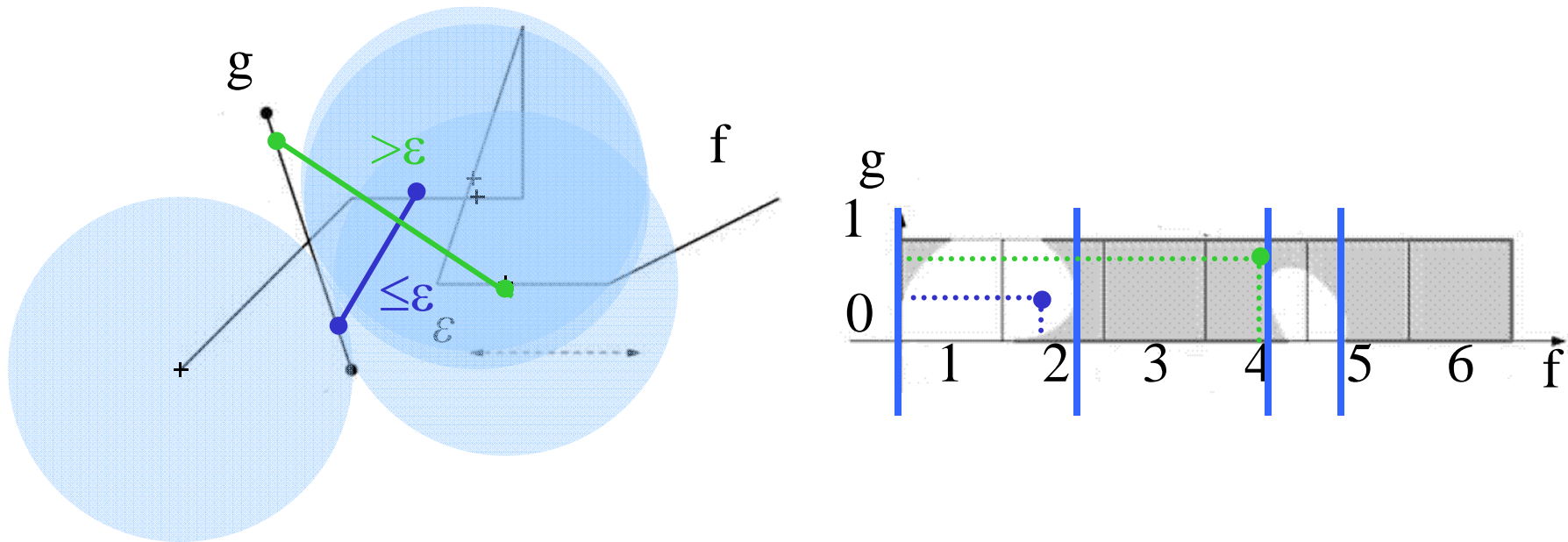
$$\delta_F(f,g) = \inf_{\alpha, \beta: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]} \max_{t \in [0,1]} \|f(\alpha(t)) - g(\beta(t))\|$$

where α and β range over continuous monotone increasing reparameterizations only.



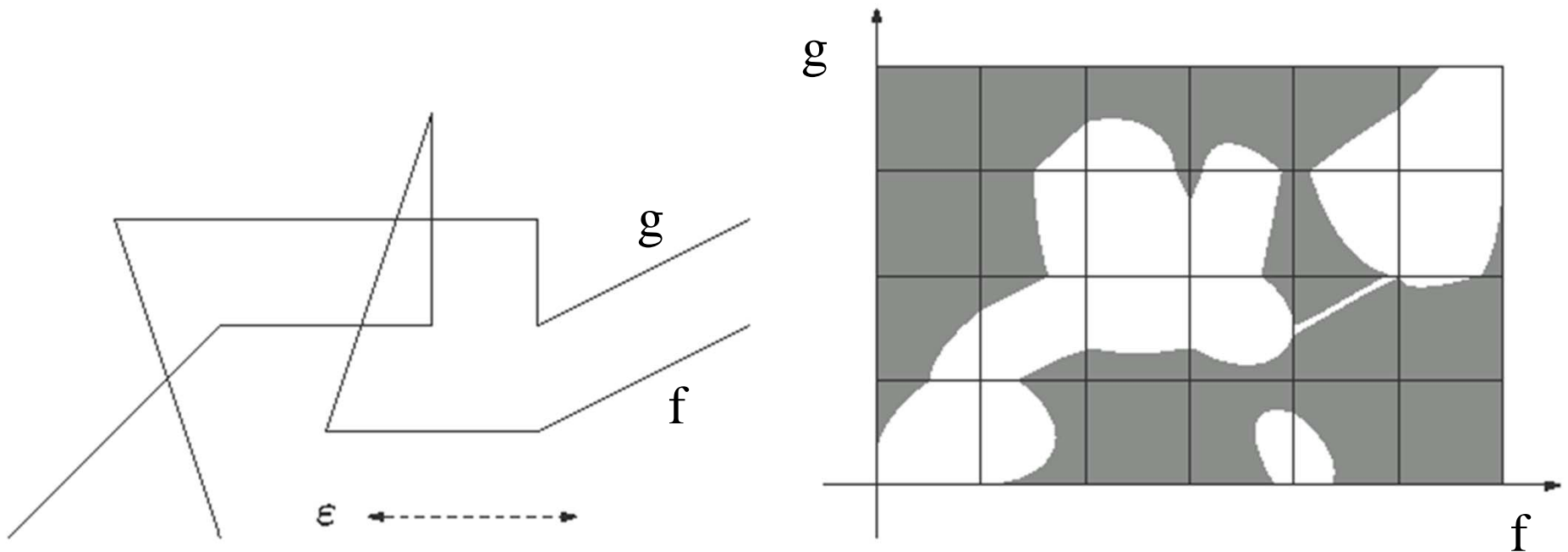
- Man and dog walk on one curve each
- They hold each other at a **leash**
- They are only allowed to go forward
- δ_F is the minimal possible leash length

Free Space Diagram



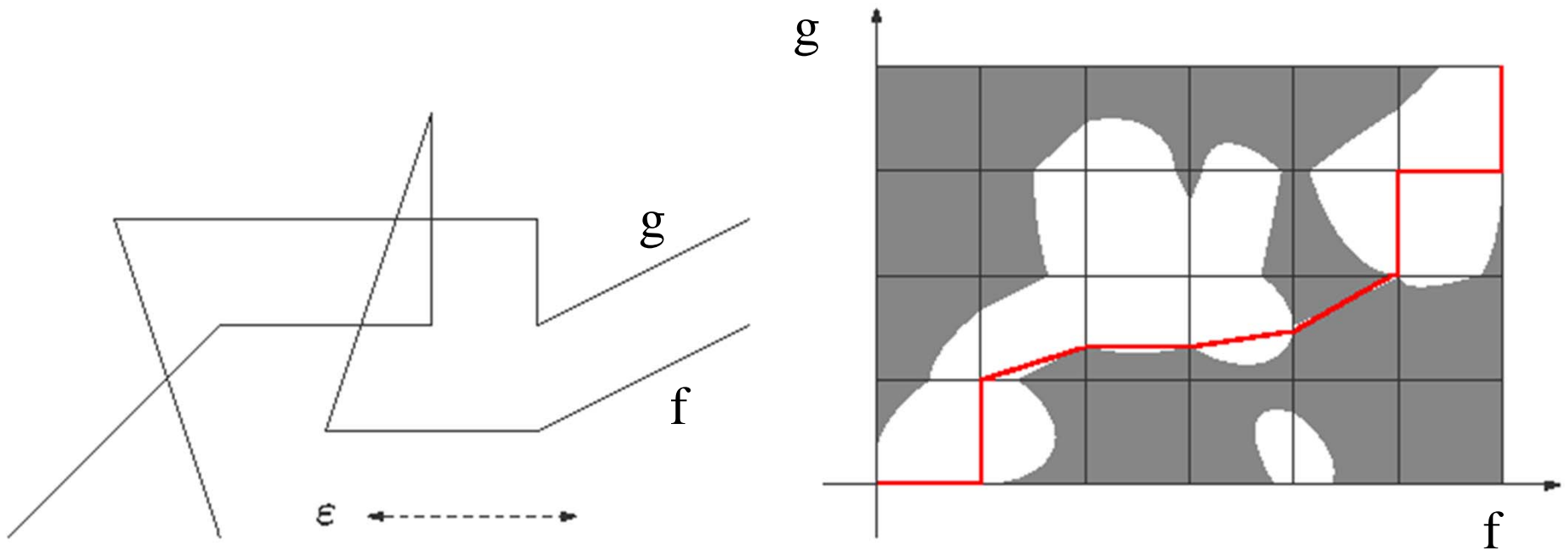
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- $F_\epsilon(f, g) = \{ (s, t) \in [0, 1]^2 \mid \| f(s) - g(t) \| \leq \epsilon \}$ *white points*
free space of f and g
- The free space in one cell is an ellipse.

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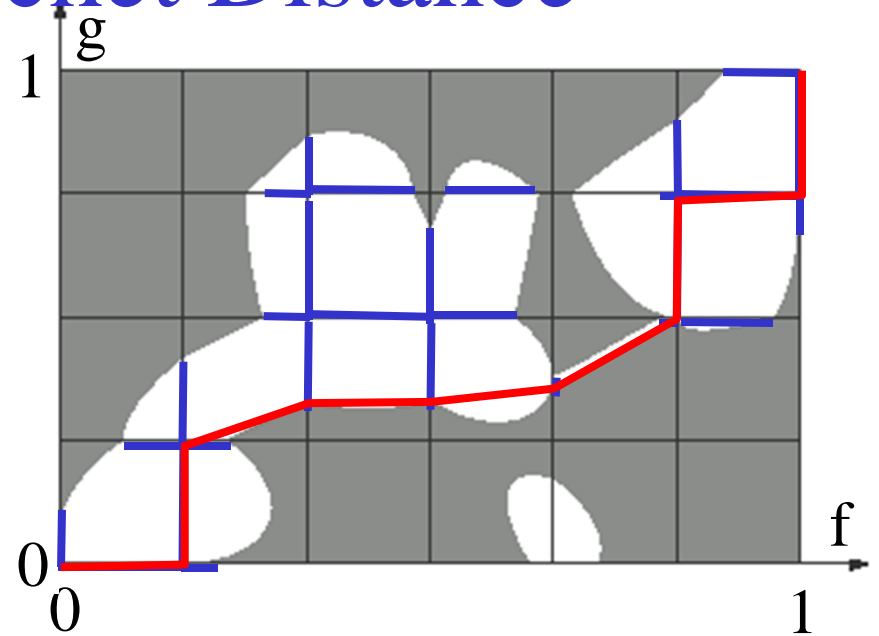
- Monotone path encodes reparametrizations of f and g
- $\delta_F(f,g) \leq \varepsilon$ iff there is a monotone path in the free space from $(0,0)$ to $(1,1)$

Compute the Fréchet Distance

- **Solve the decision problem**

$\delta_F(f,g) \leq \varepsilon$ in $O(mn)$ time:

- Find monotone path using DP:
- On each cell boundary compute the interval of all points that are reachable by a monotone path from $(0,0)$
- Compute a **monotone path** by backtracking



- **Solve the optimization problem**

- In practice in $O(mn \log b)$ time with binary search and b-bit precision
- In $O(mn \log mn)$ time [AG95] using parametric search (using Cole's sorting trick)
- In $O(mn \log^2 mn)$ expected time [CW09] with randomized red/blue intersections

[AG95] H. Alt, M. Godau, Computing the Fréchet distance between two polygonal curves, *IJCGA* 5: 75-91, 1995.

[CW10] A.F. Cook IV, C. Wenk, Geodesic Fréchet Distance Inside a Simple Polygon, *ACM TALG* 7(1), 19 pages, 2010.



GPS Trajectories for Dynamic Routing

- Navigation systems answer shortest path queries based on travel times on road segments
- How does one collect dynamic travel-time weights that are not just derived from speed limits?
- Use GPS trajectory data from large number of vehicles (vehicle fleets).



⇒ Need to map trajectories to graph (road map)

⇒ Map-matching

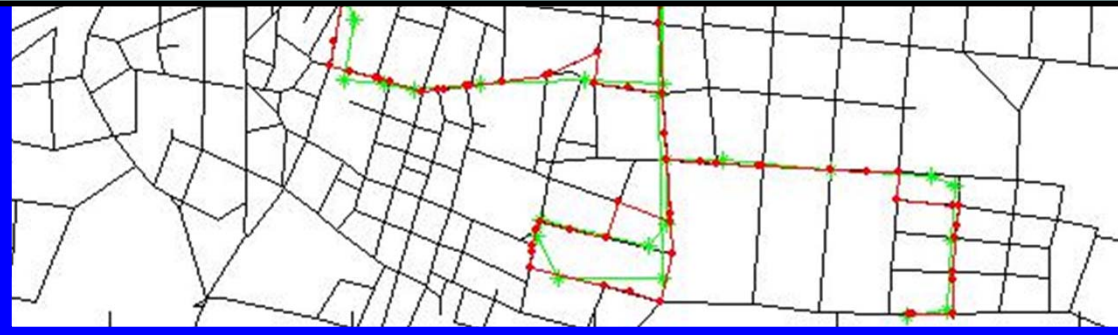
GPS Trajectories from Vehicles



Map matching:

Find a path in the graph which corresponds to the GPS trajectory (curve).

Find a path in the graph with minimal distance to the GPS curve (partial matching)



1) **Measurement error:**
GPS points

generally do not lie on the road map

Sampling error:

The GPS trajectory is a by-product and may be sampled just every 30s

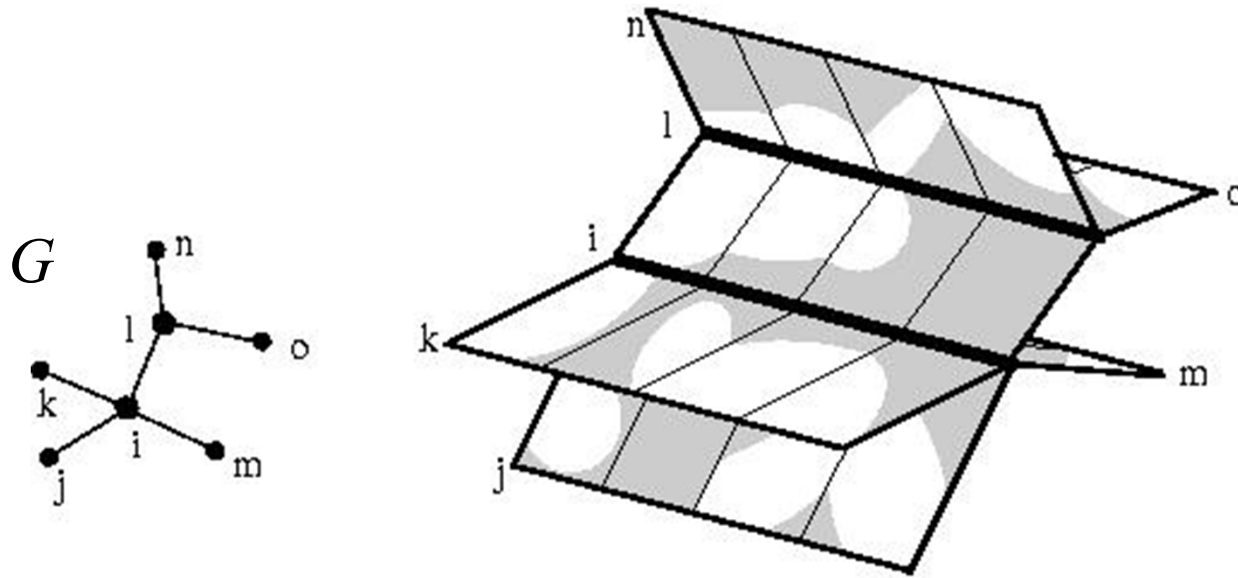
⇒ The GPS trajectory does not lie on the road map

— Road map of Athens

— GPS trajectory

— Corresponding path in the road map

Free Space Surface



- Glue the free space diagrams $FD_{i,j}$ together according to adjacency information in G

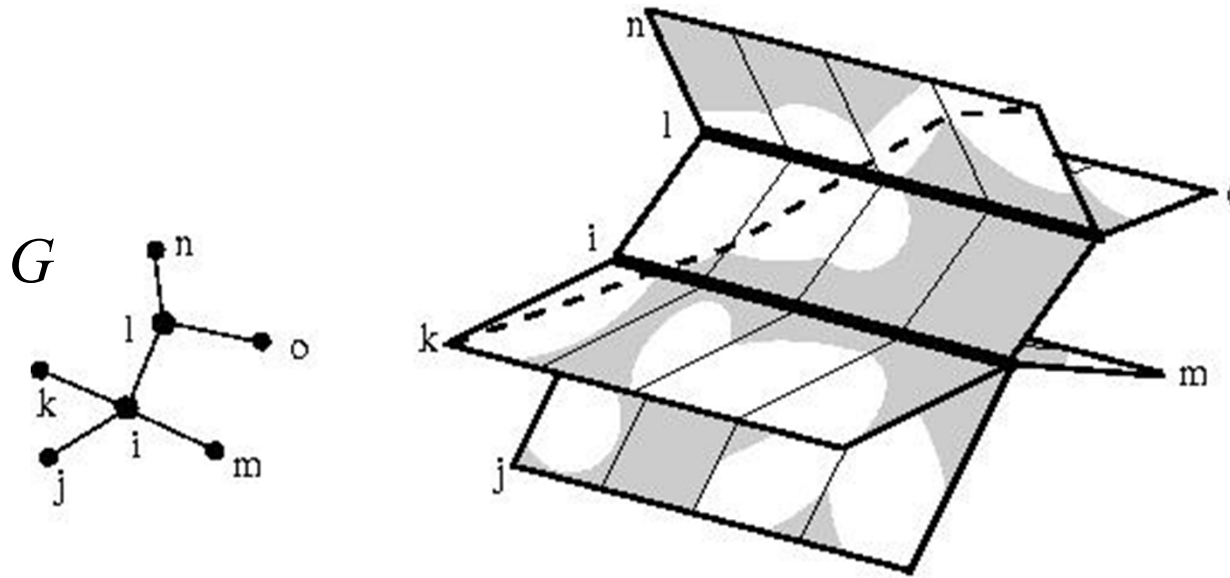
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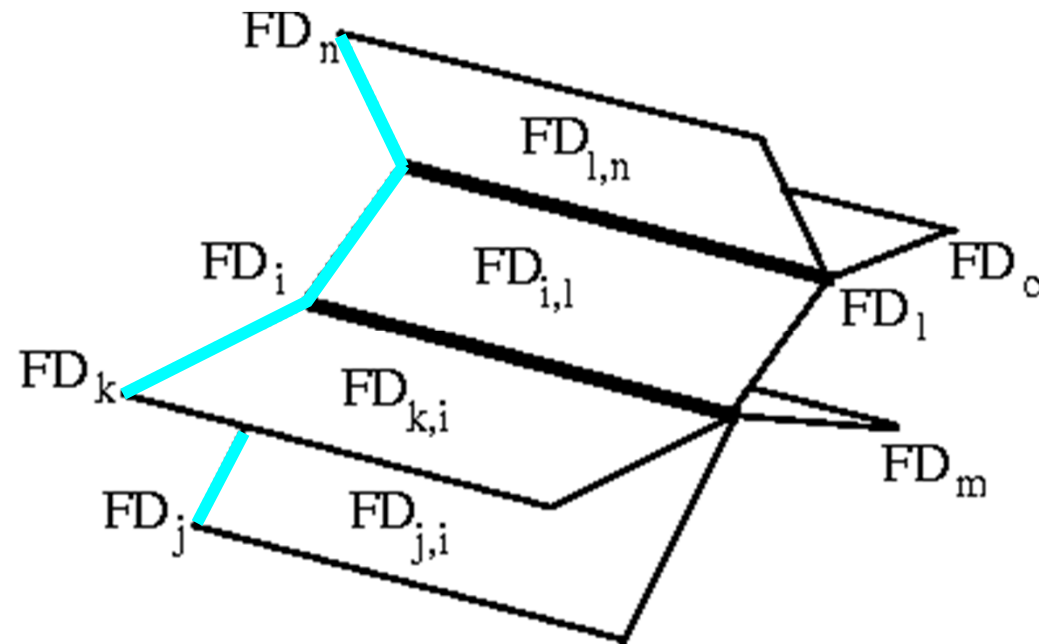
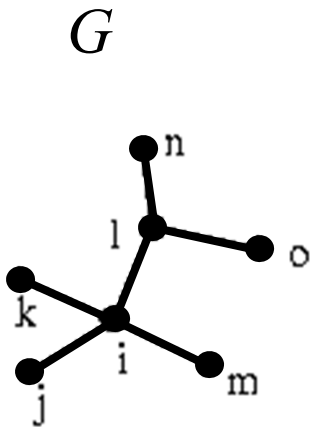
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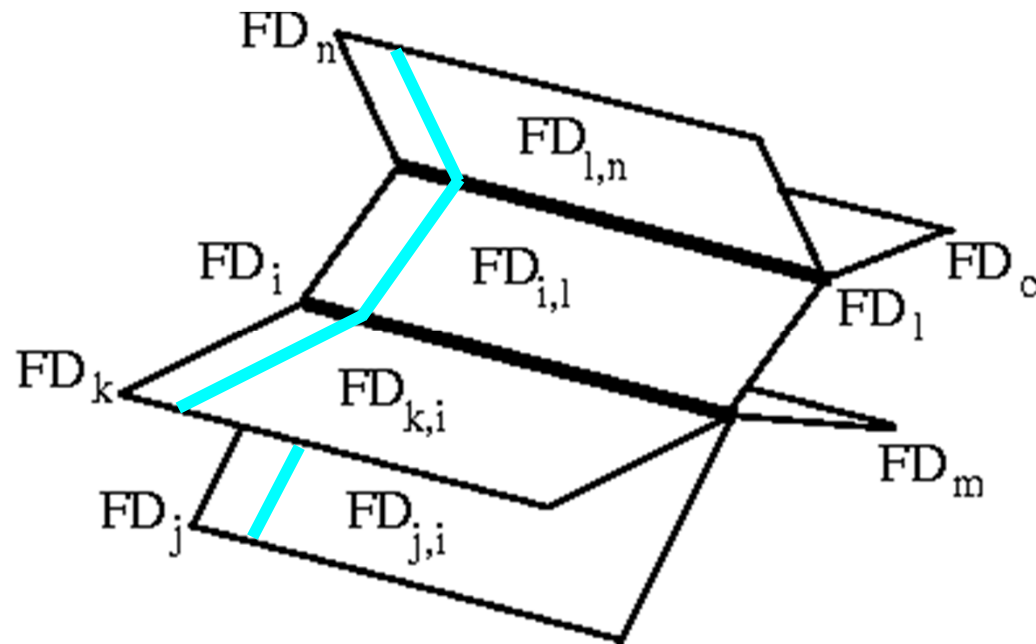
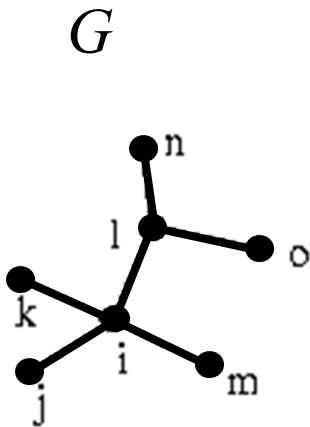
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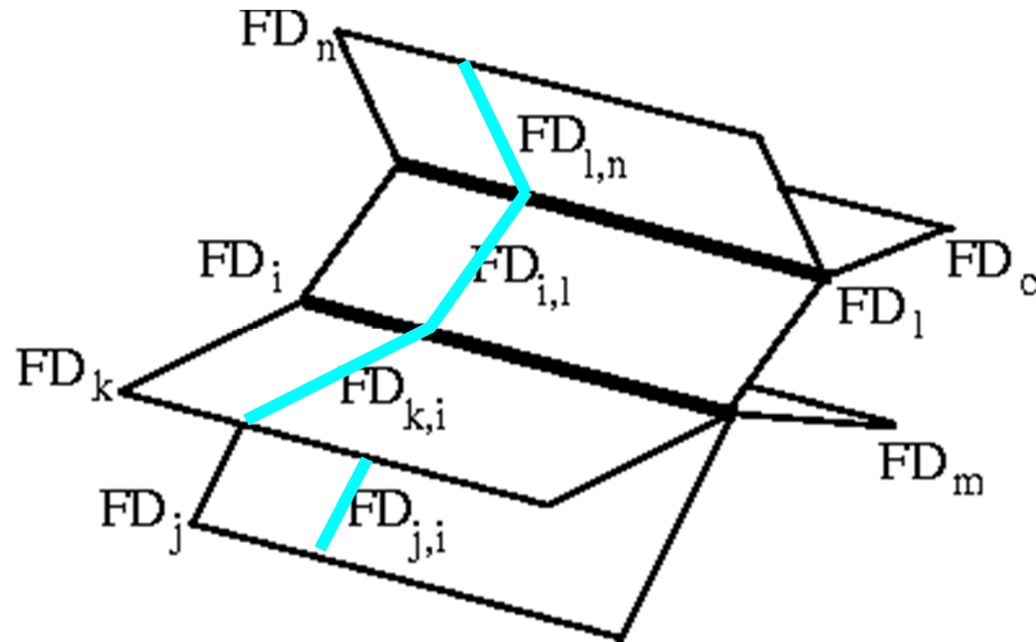
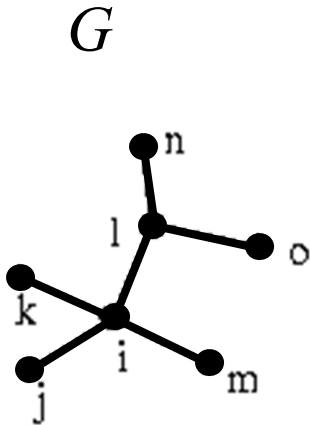
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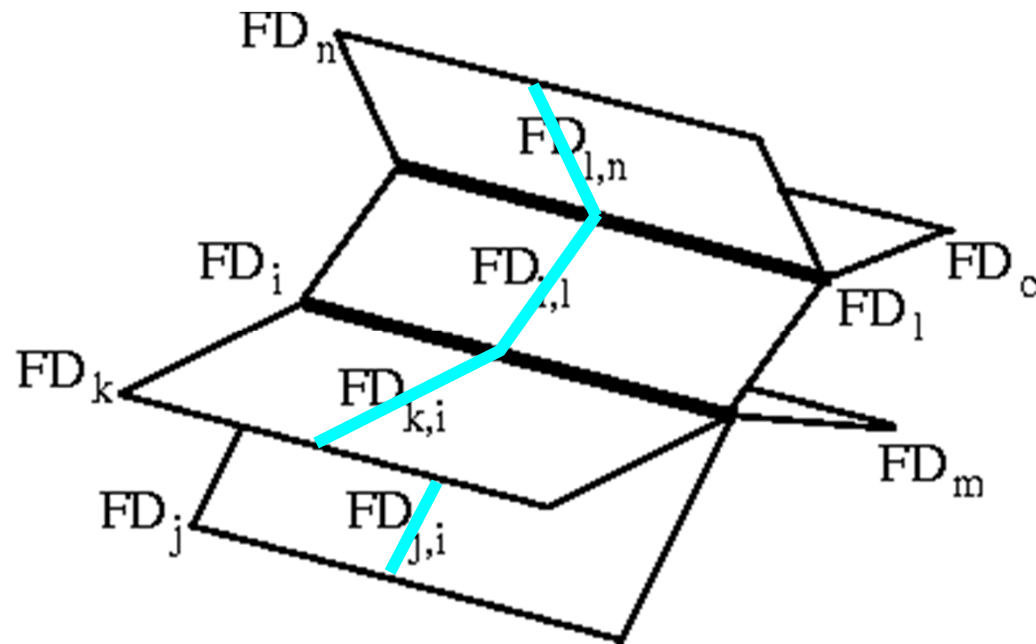
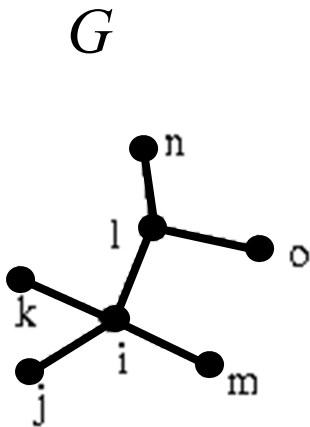
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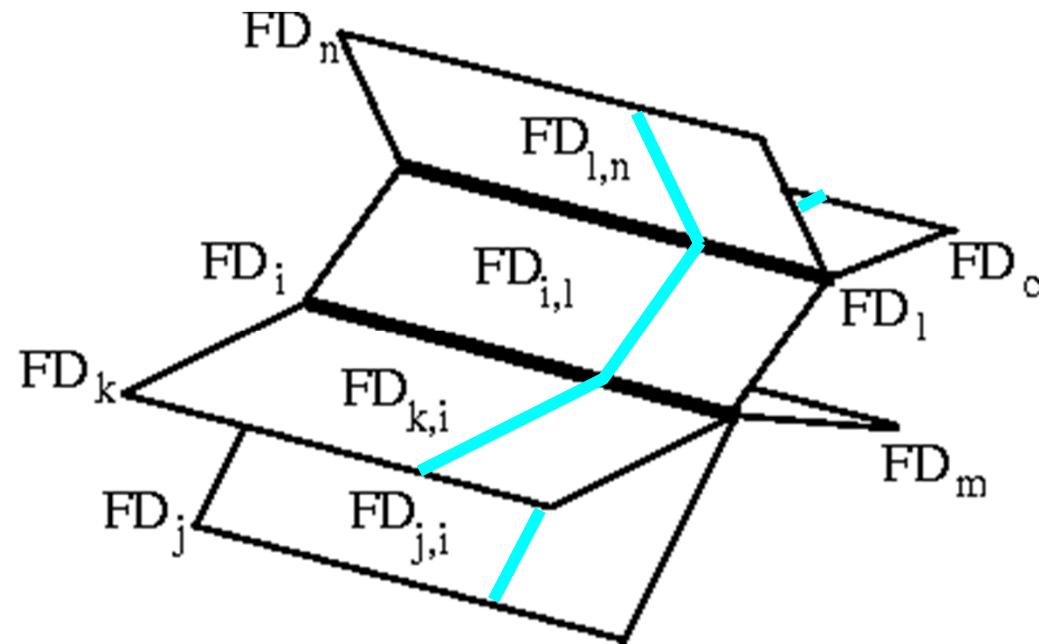
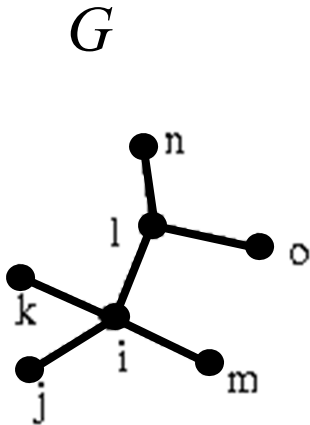
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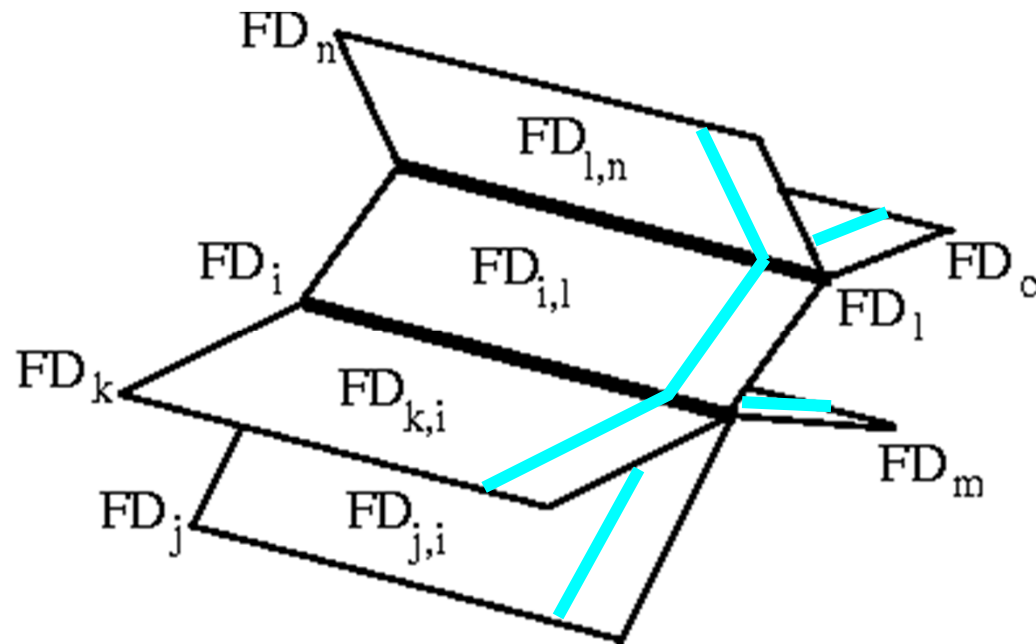
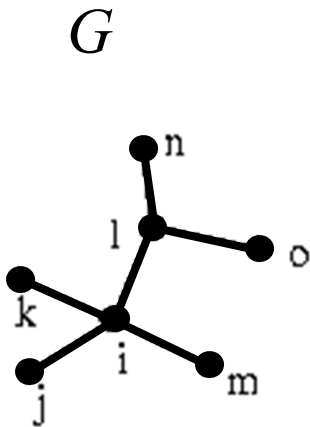
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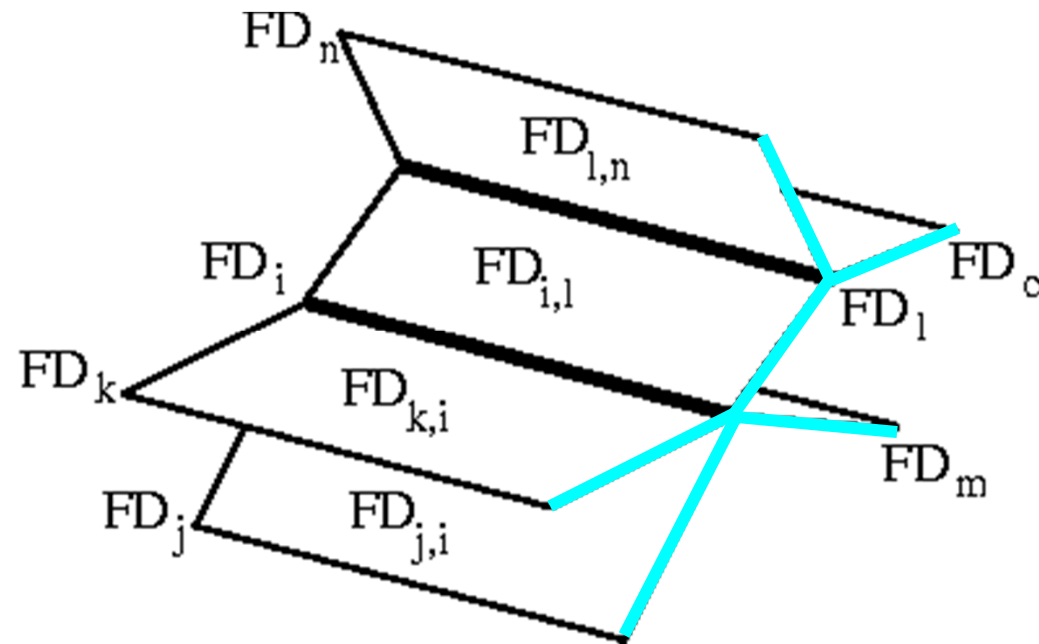
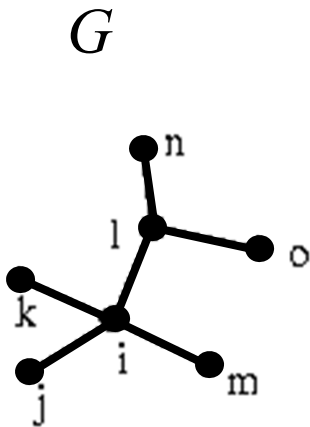
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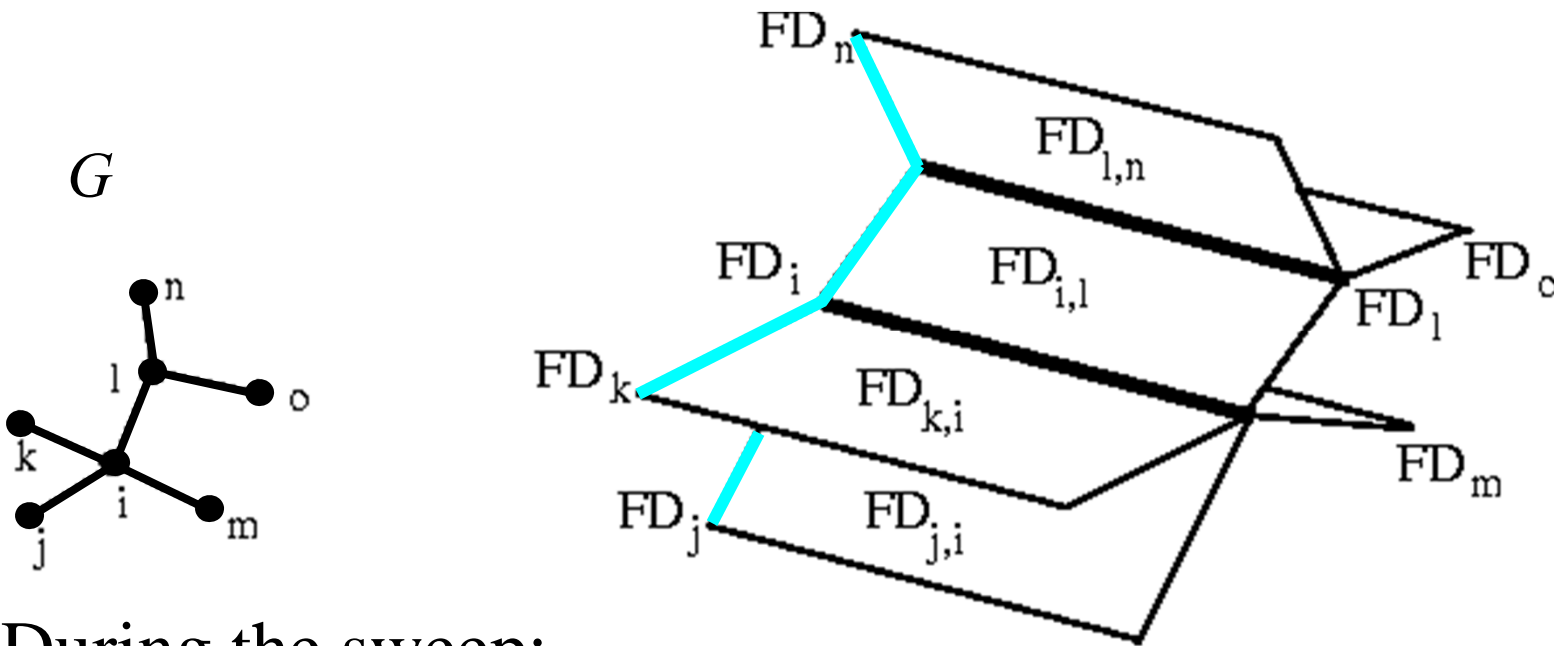
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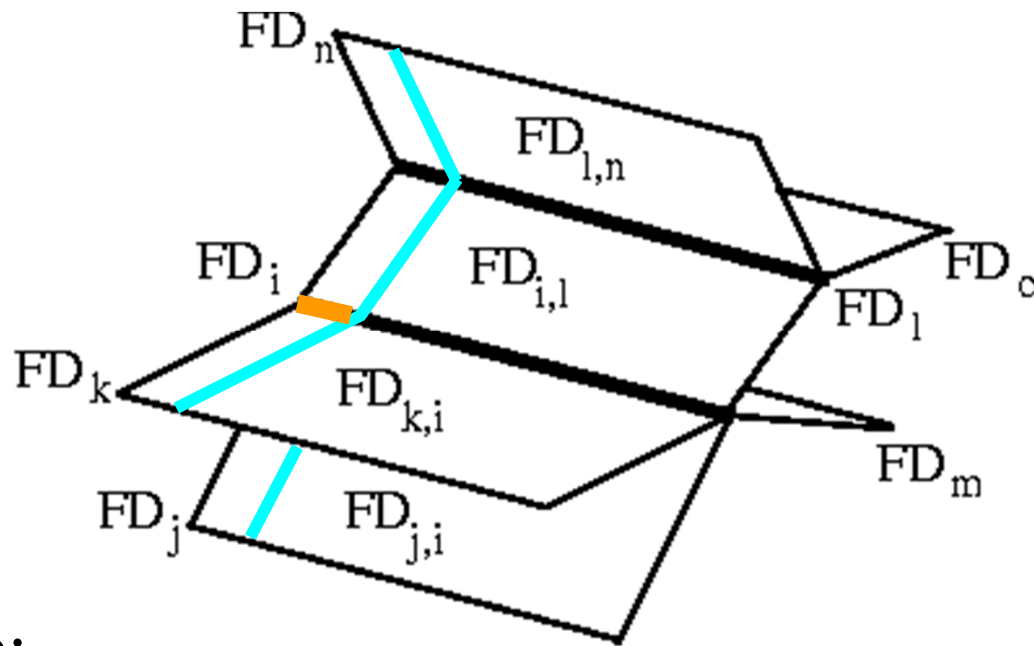
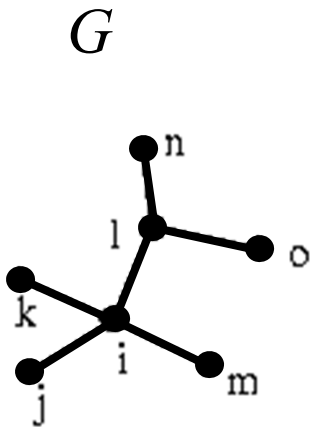
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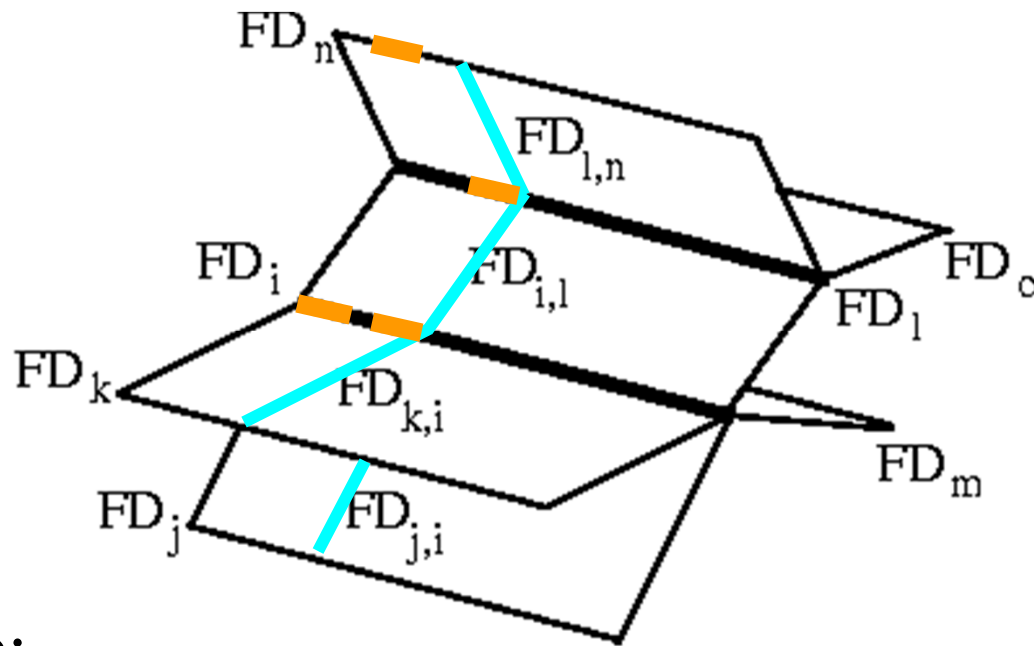
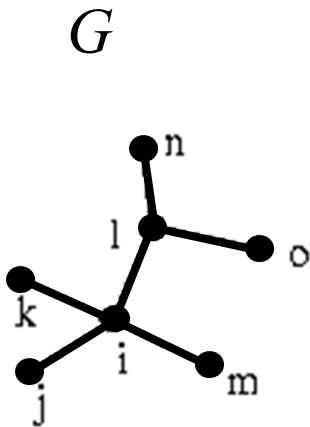
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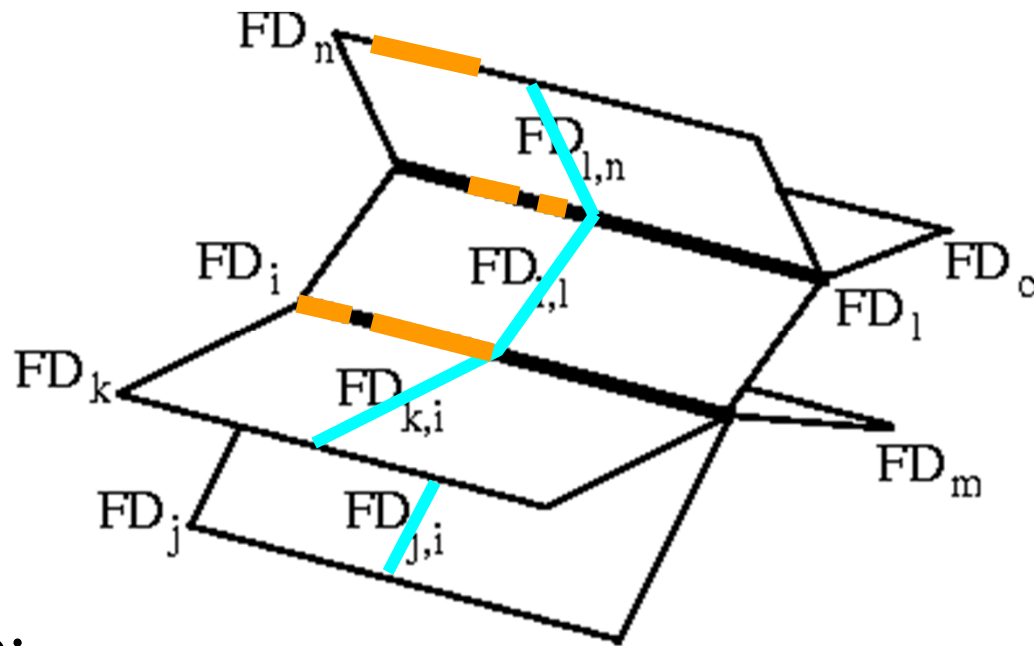
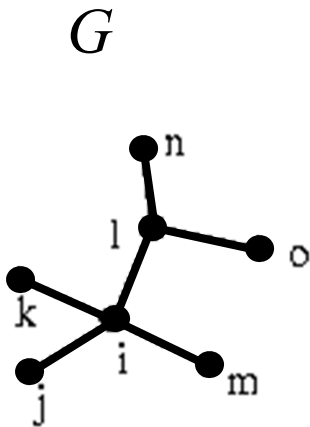
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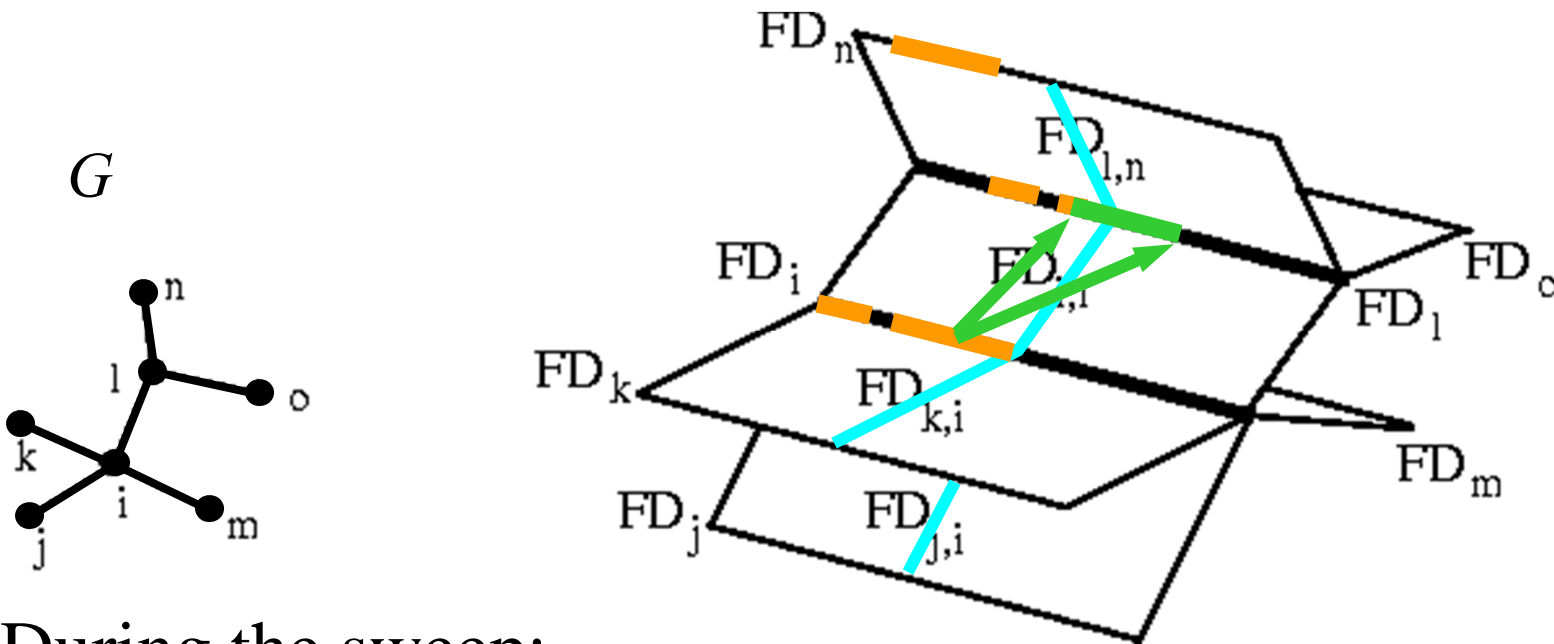
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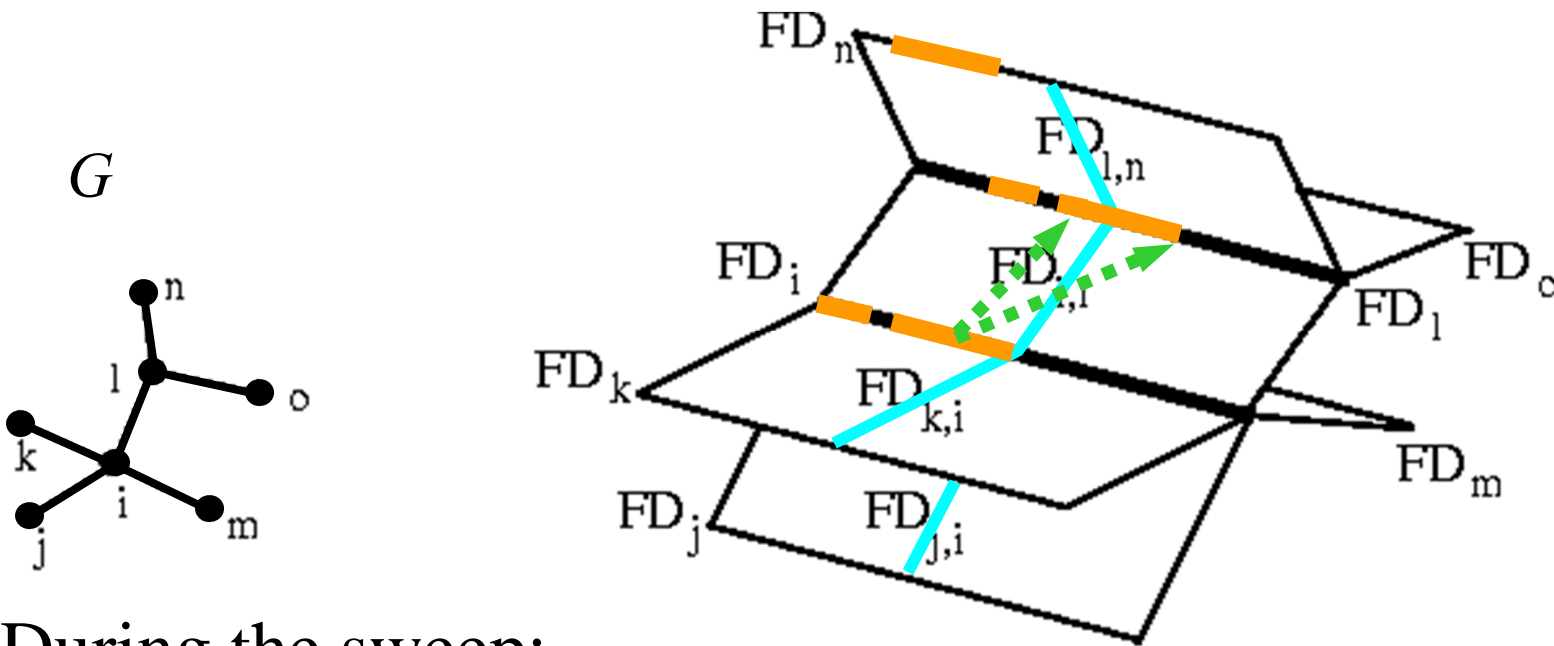
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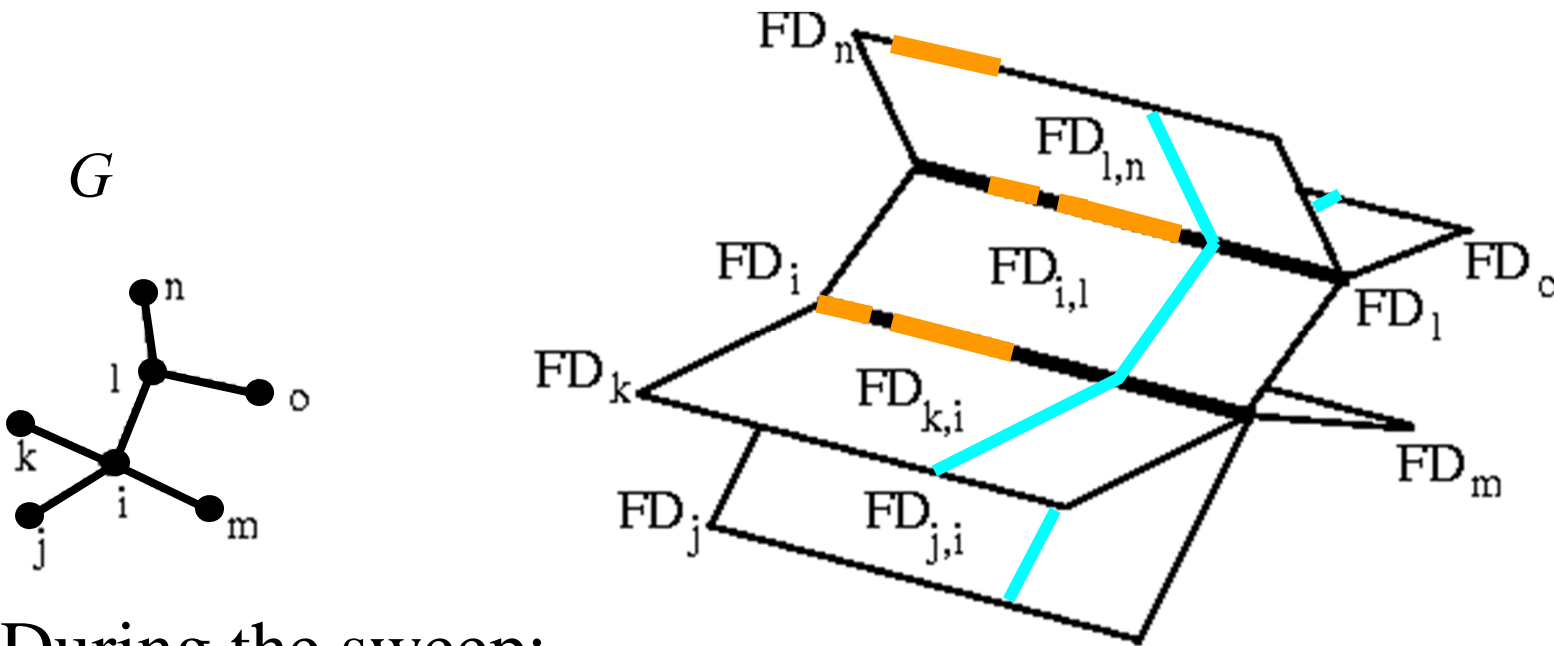
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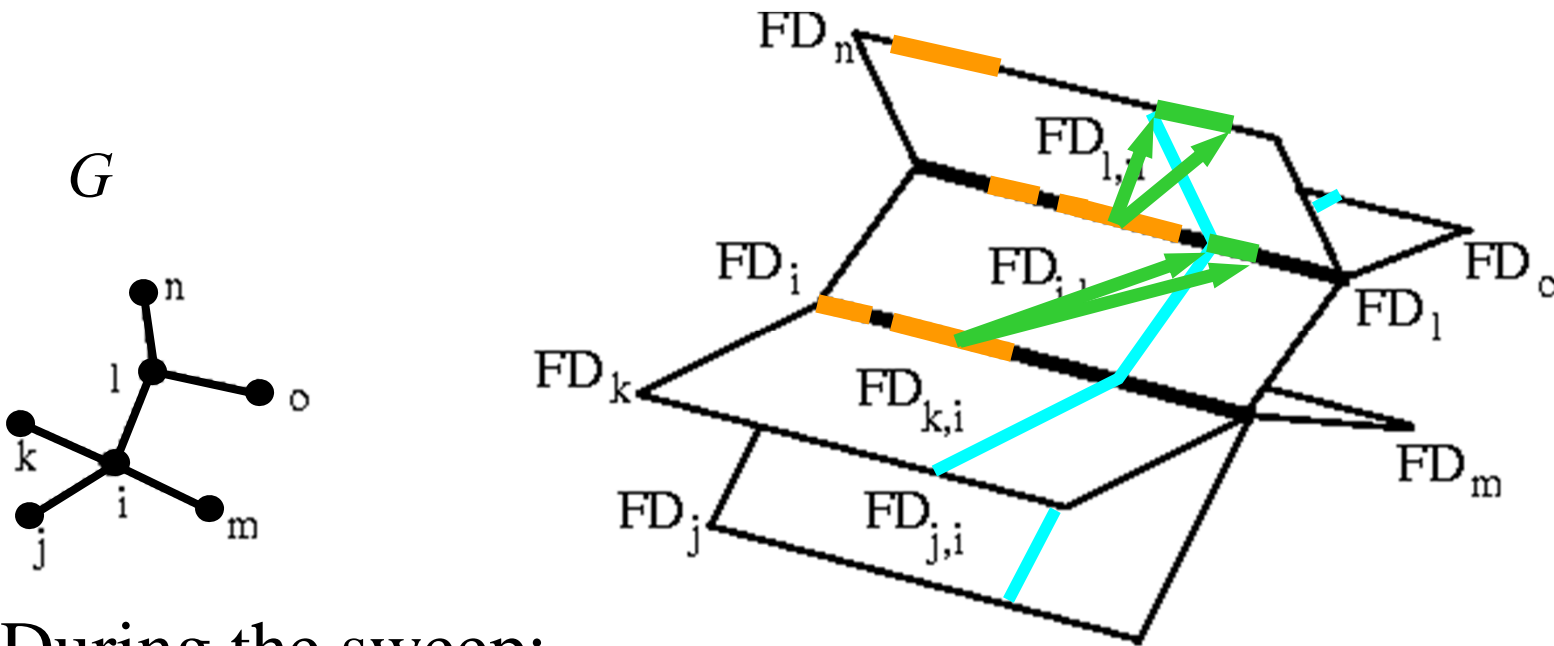
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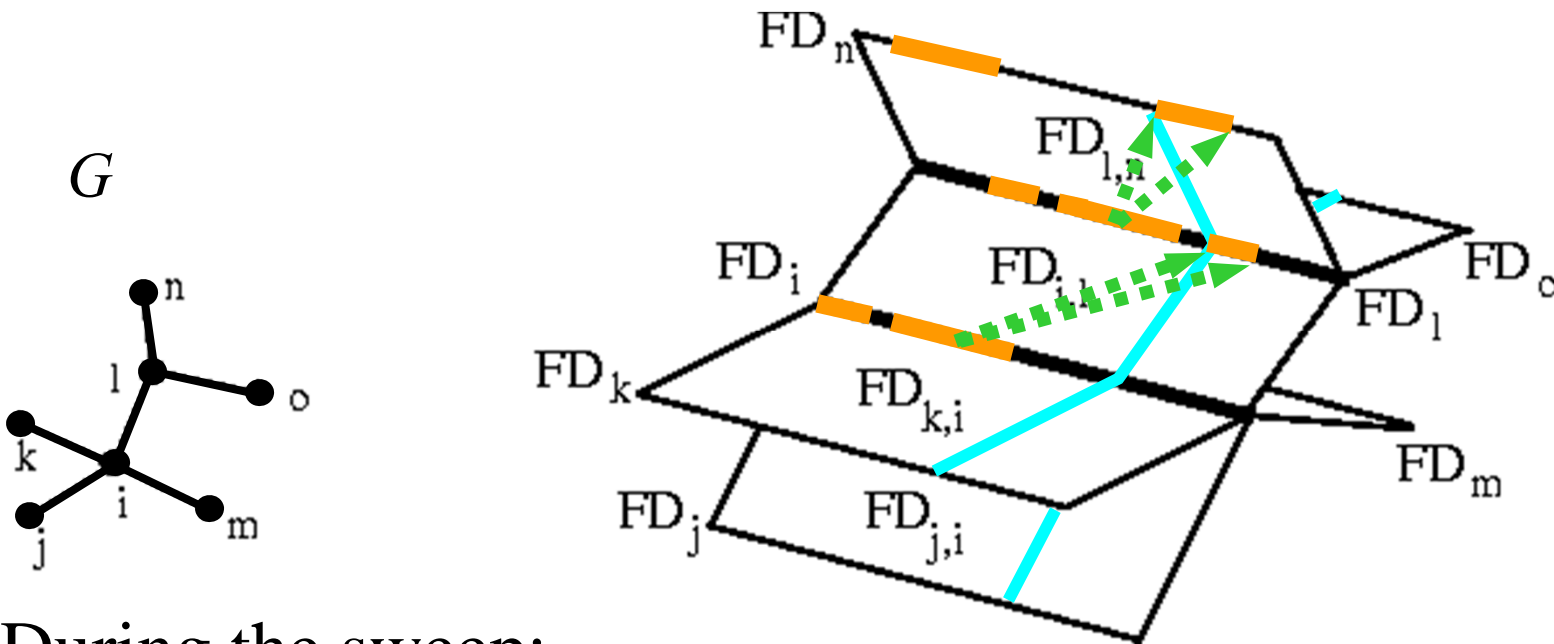
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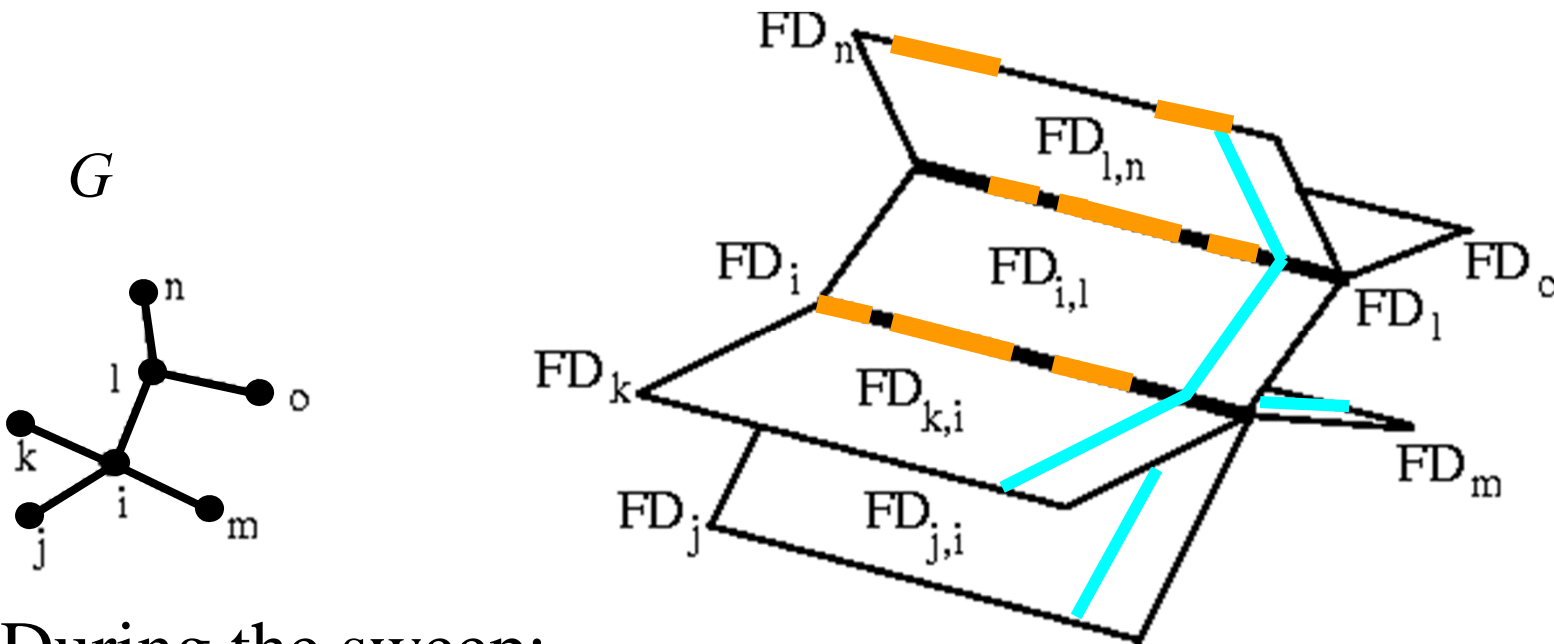
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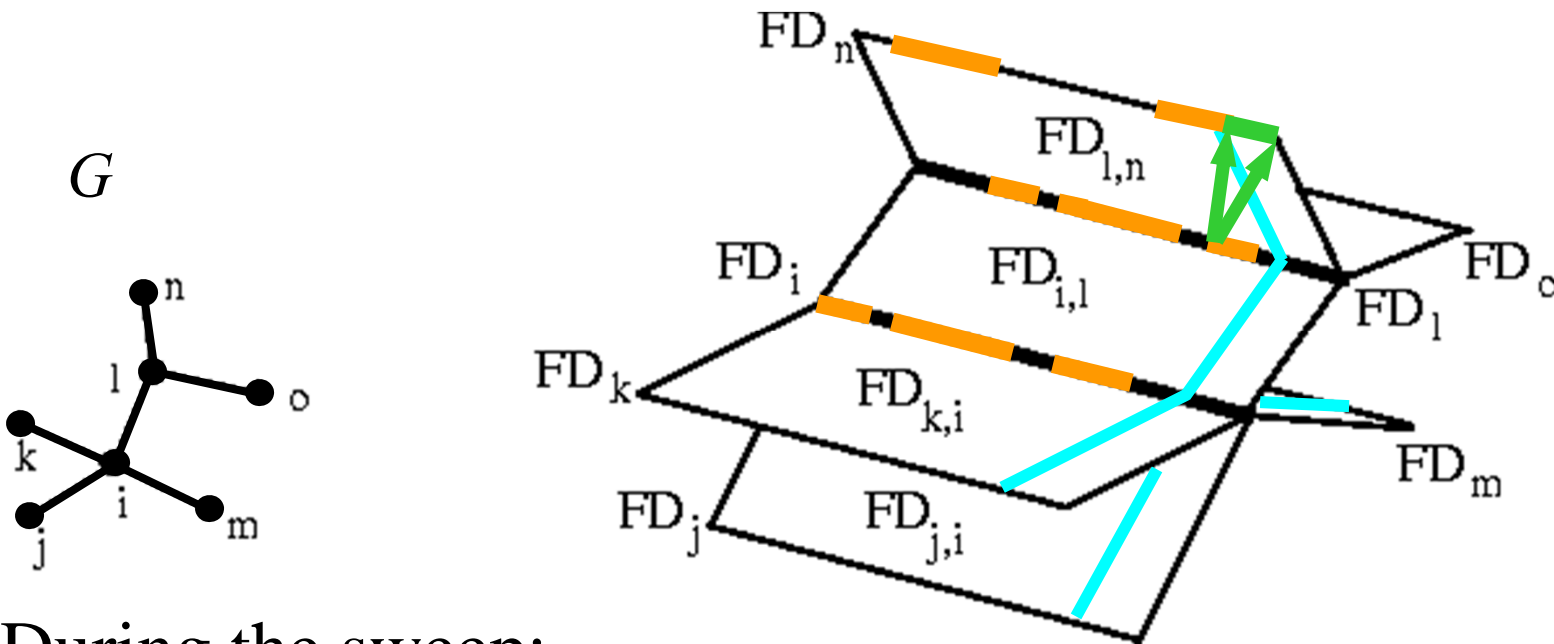
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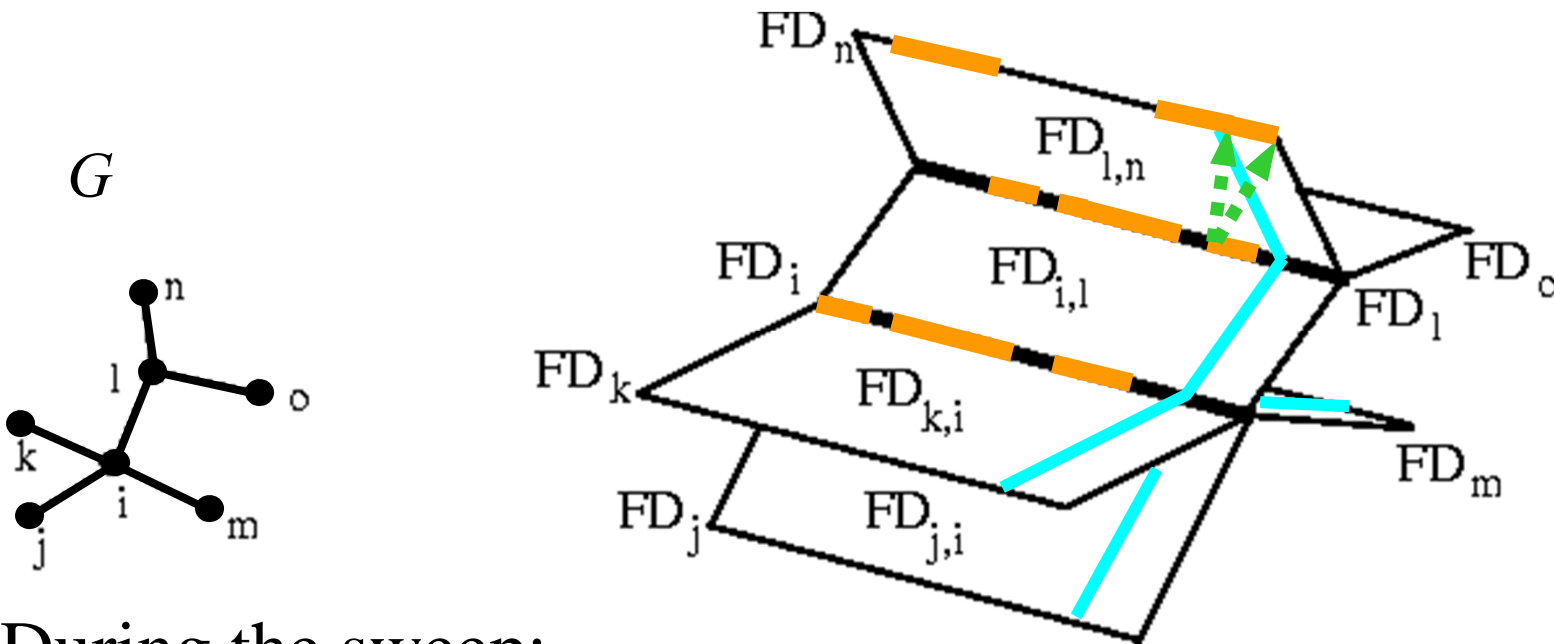
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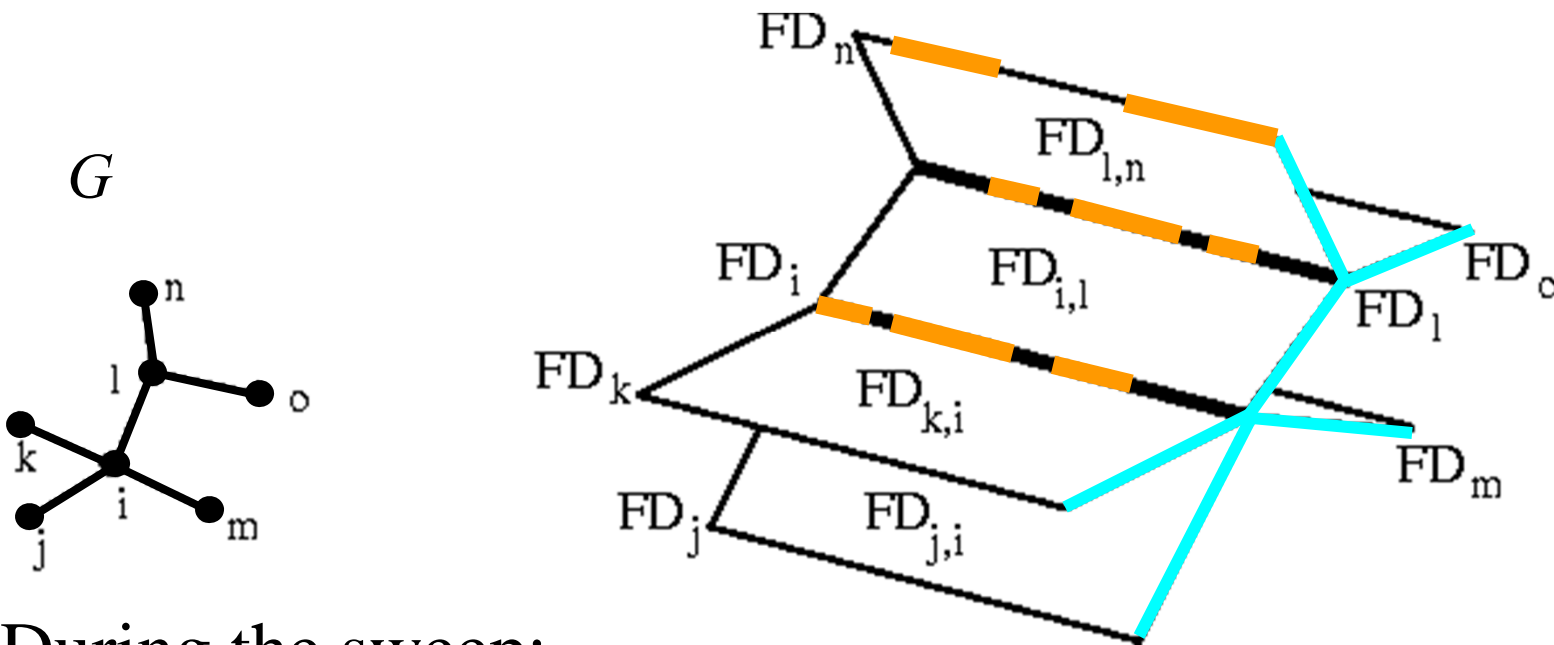
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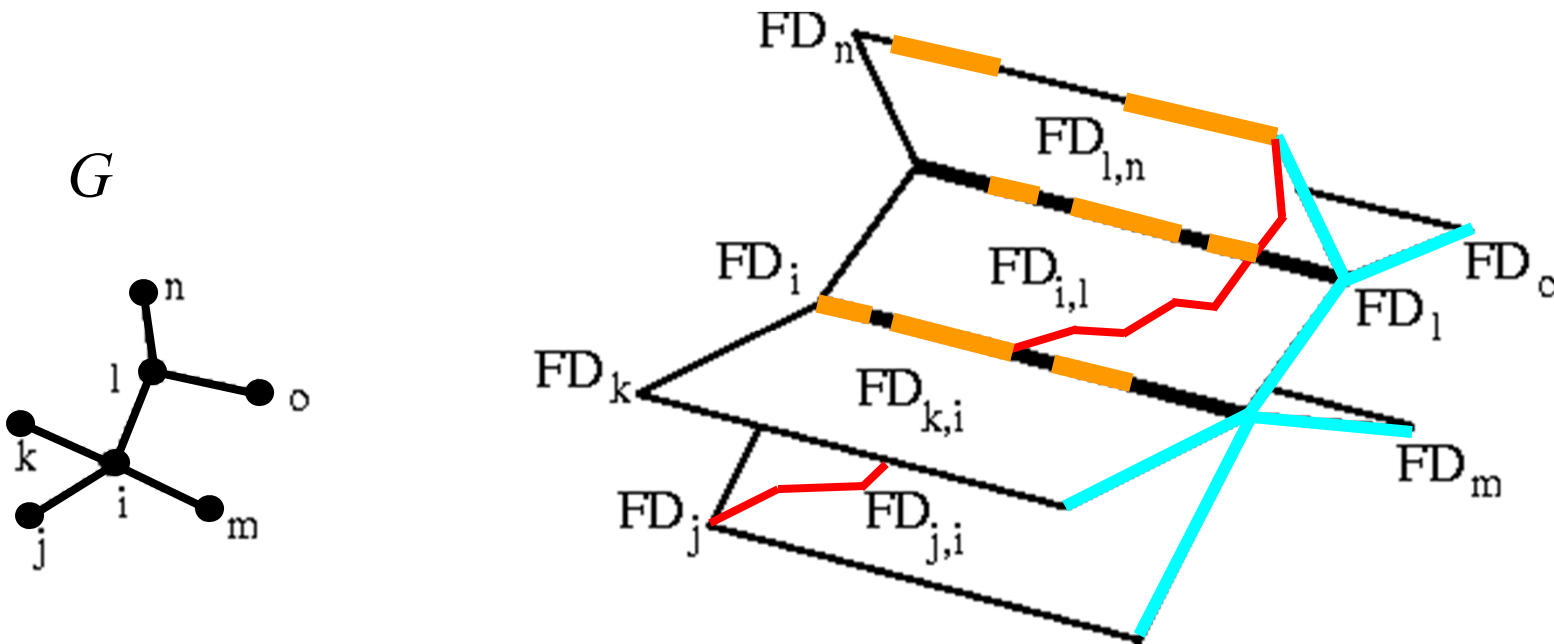
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Backtracking



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Map-Matching

- Algorithm for decision problem takes $O(mn \log(mn))$ time and $O(mn)$ space.
- Optimization problem with parametric search:
 $O(mn \log^2(mn))$ time

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