

Distinguishing Balls in Graphs

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Part I: Sample Compression Schemes

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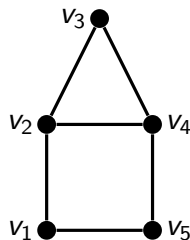
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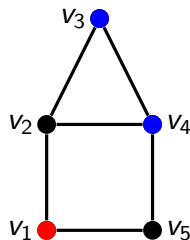
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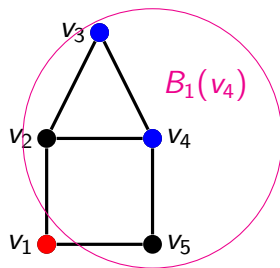
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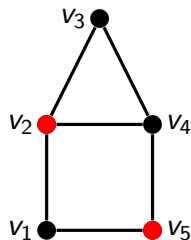
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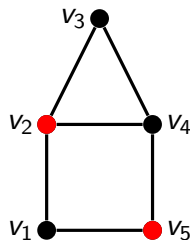
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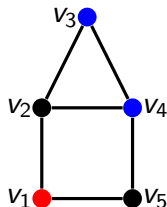
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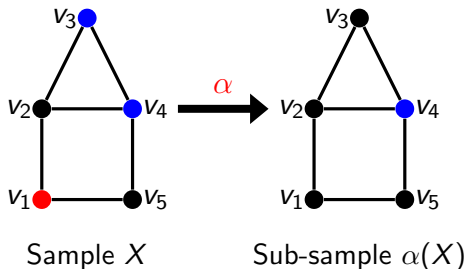
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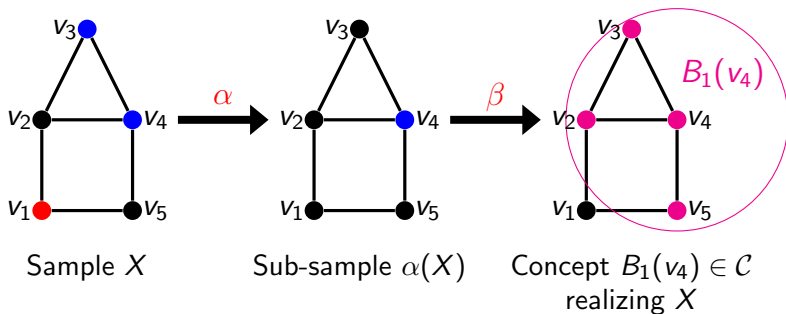


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 - Ample sets admit LSCS of **size d** [Moran & Warmuth, 2016].
 - Unlabelled SCS (USCS) of **size d** exist for maximum families and were characterized for ample sets [Chalopin et al., 2019].
 - There's a family whose VC-dim $\leq d$ but **does not admit** USCS of size at most d [Pálvölgyi & Tardos, 2020].

Results Included in Part I

$\mathcal{B}(G)$: family of balls of any radius in a graph G .

$\mathcal{B}_r(G)$: family of balls of radius r in a graph G .

We show:

- USCS of size 2 for $\mathcal{B}(T)$ for **trees** T ;
- LSCS (with extra information) of size 2 for $\mathcal{B}_r(T)$ for **trees** T ;
- LSCS of size 3 for $\mathcal{B}(G)$ for **interval graphs** G .

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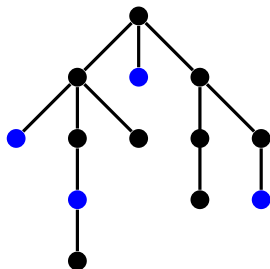
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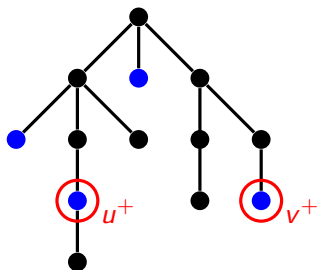
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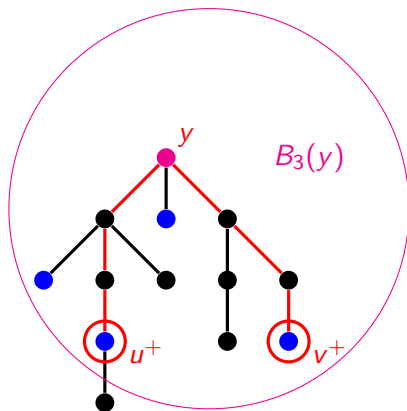
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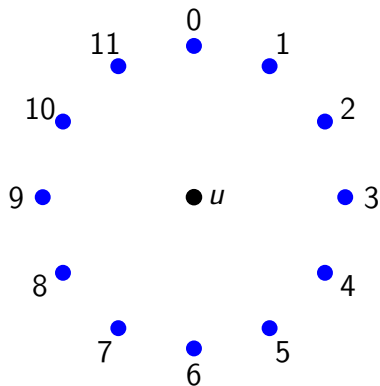
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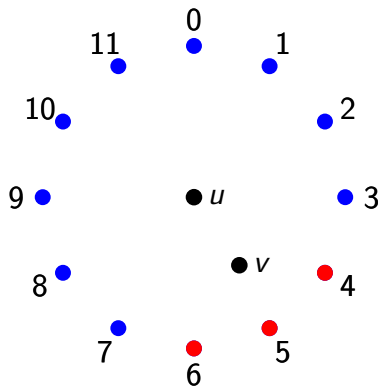


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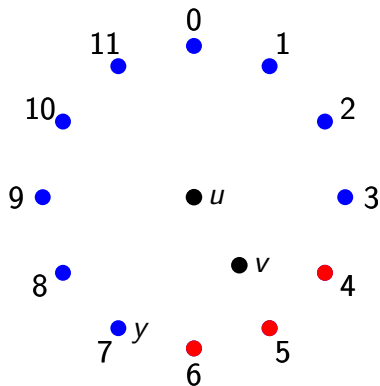
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Two key lemmas for $\mathcal{B}_r(T)$

Lemma 1

Any ball containing a diametral pair of X^+ , also contains X^+ .

Lemma 2

Either there is a center designator or any ball containing a diametral pair of X^+ realizes X .

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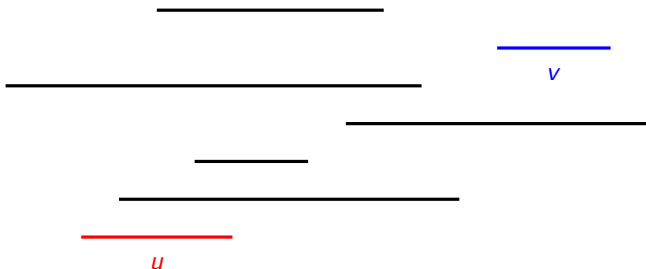
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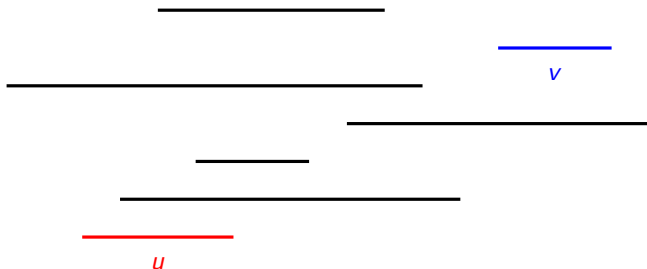
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Part II: Representation Maps

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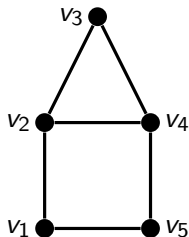
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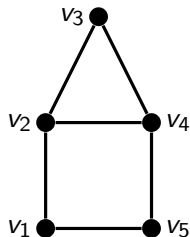
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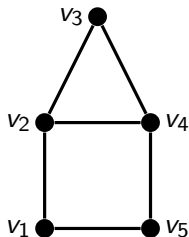
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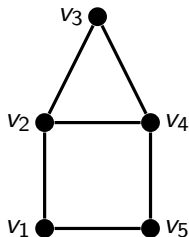
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Interval graphs G :

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Further Work

- We are studying SCS and Rep. maps for balls in graphs for **cycles** and **cacti**.
- Also, balls of radius 1 for SCS for **planar** graphs.
- Other graph classes would be interesting.
- **Does every family of balls of VC-dimension d admit SCS of size $O(d)$?**

Graph Class	Rep. map	USCS	LSCS
Trees ($\mathcal{B}(T)$)	≤ 2	≤ 2	
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Cacti ($\mathcal{B}(G)$)	≤ 4	?	?

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