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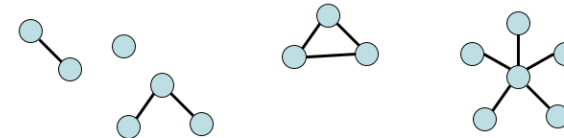
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- **Theorem:** If G is undirected and positively weighted, G has maximum conductance $\varphi(G)=1$ iff G is connected and has at most three nodes or is a star. (Proof: see [1])



• **Proof** ←

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=1
=0 if star or at most 3 nodes

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• **Second measure:** $f=0$ and

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• If using weighted edges → some modifications:

- For the **denominator, we need a maximum for the edge weights**; Take the max weight in G → Clusterings over different graphs are not comparable in quality. Better: Use weights normalized to 1 → Max weight $M = 1$

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- Calculating the **maximum of f+g is NP-hard** (In fact calculating the maximum of f+g would in essence be calculating the optimal clustering)
- Since there are $1/2 |V|(|V|-1)$ node pairs → upper bound for f+g is $|V|(|V|-1)$ → use $|V|(|V|-1)$ as denominator in quality measure

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- Problems with Performance:** when graph is sparse (example: planar graphs: $|E|$ is linear in $|V|$). Tendency: Performance delivers many small clusters



- If density measure π on graphs is available:

worst case: $\min_i \{ \pi(G[C_1]), \dots, \pi(G[C_k]) \}$

average case: $\frac{1}{k} \sum_i \pi(G[C_i])$

best case: $\max_i \{ \pi(G[C_1]), \dots, \pi(G[C_k]) \}$

- (especially suitable in metric spaces)





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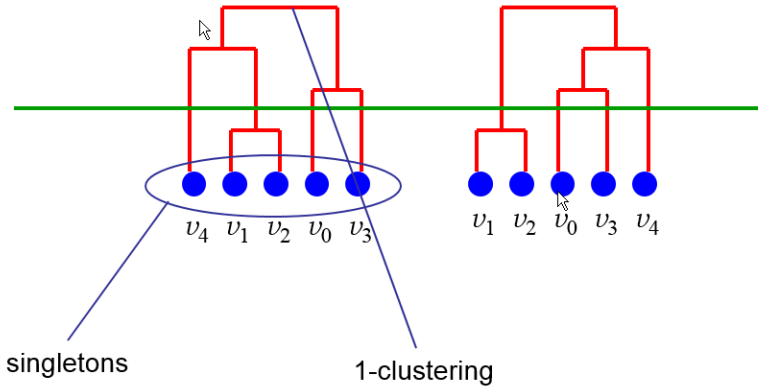
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- Advantage of **Dendrograms**: Can be “**cut**” at any desired number of clusters.



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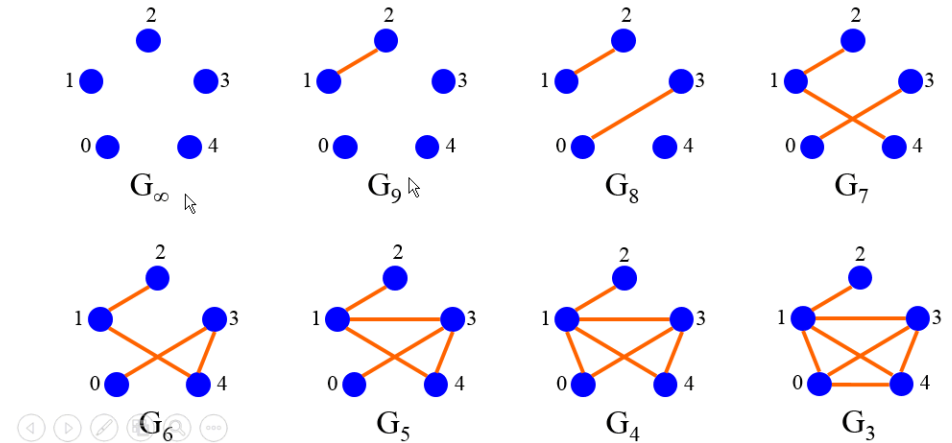


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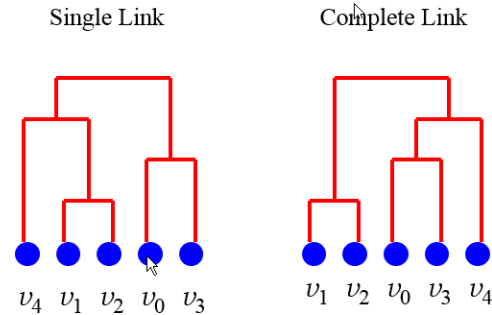
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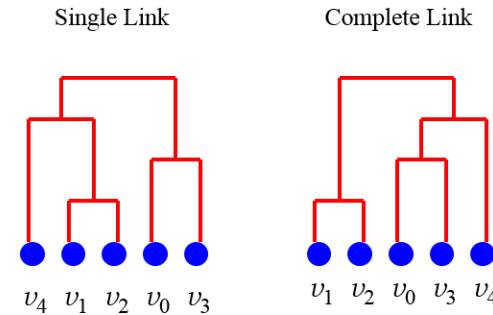
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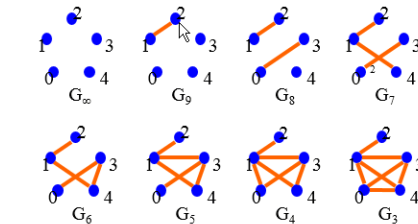


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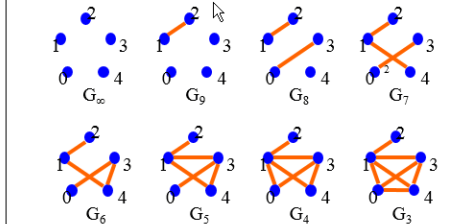
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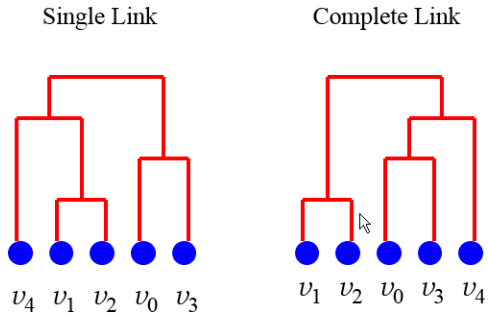


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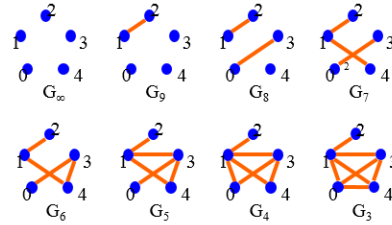
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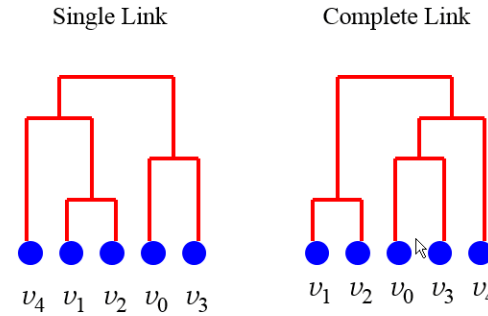
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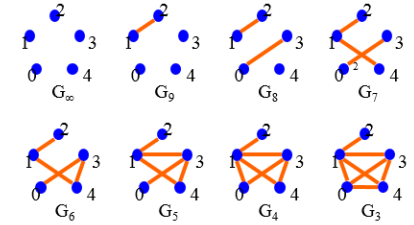
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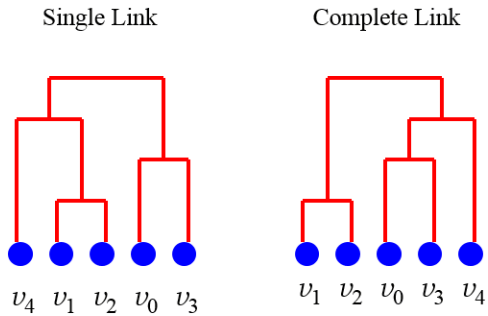
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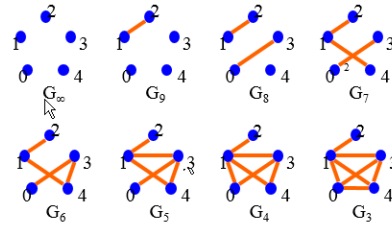
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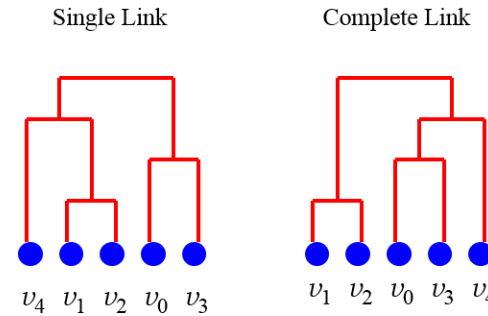
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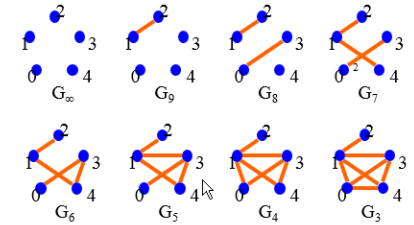
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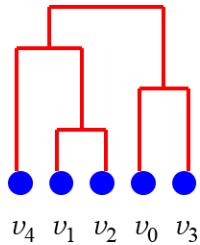


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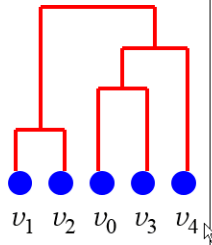
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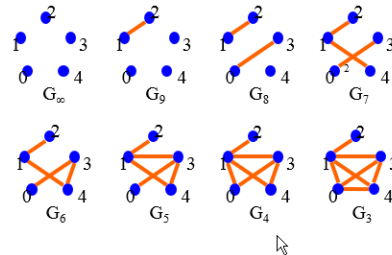


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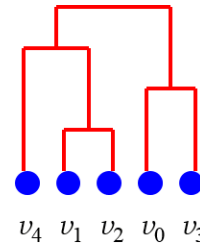
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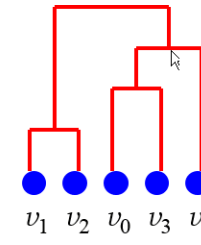


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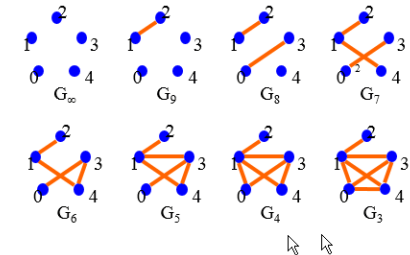


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C_x : one of the clusters one "half" of the split of C_x

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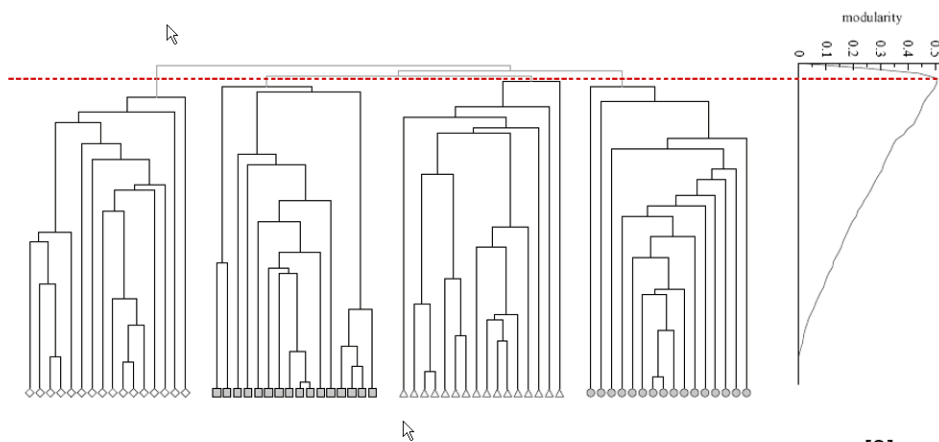
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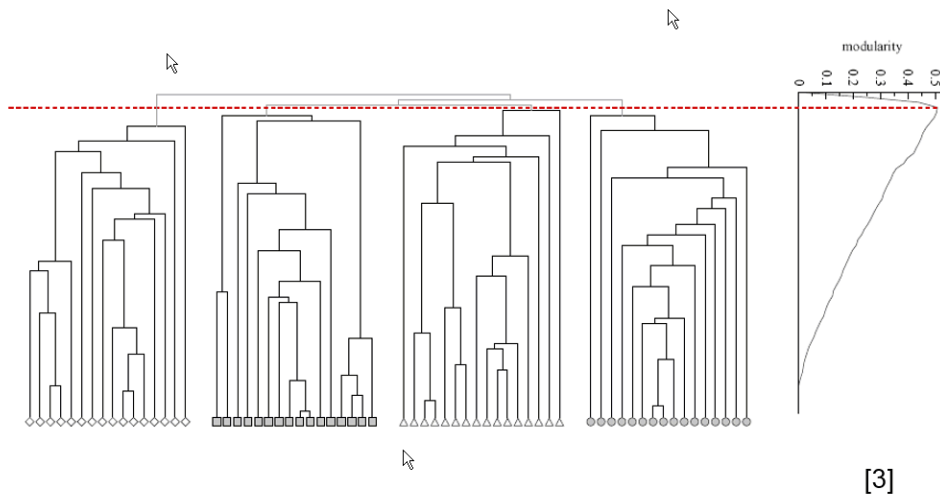
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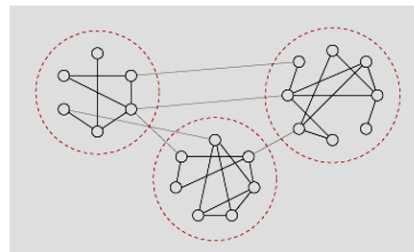
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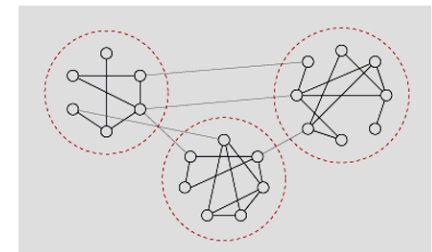
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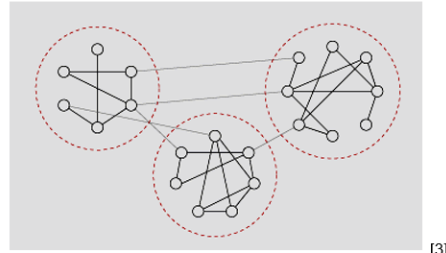
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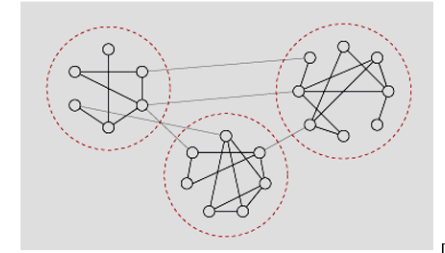
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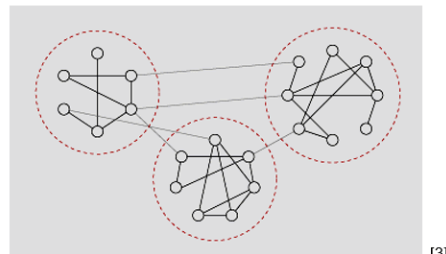
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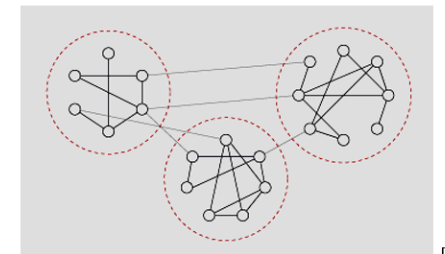
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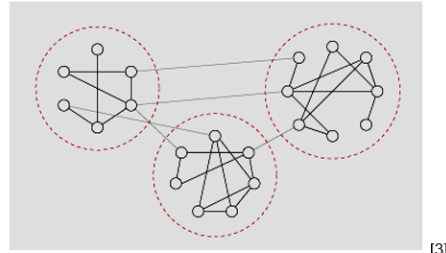
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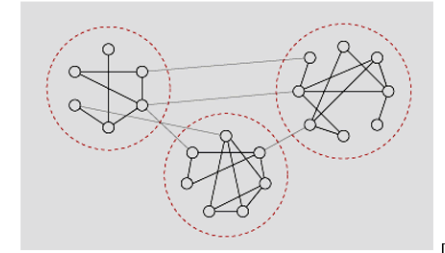
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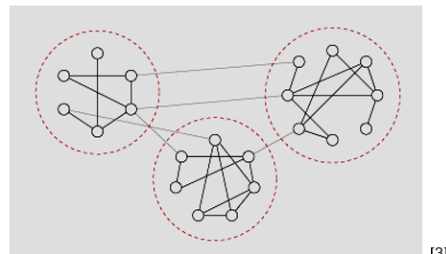
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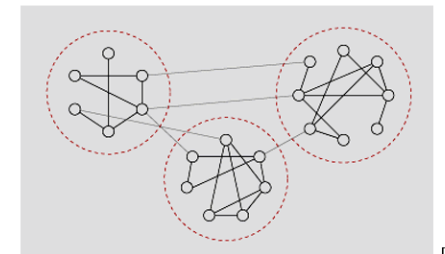
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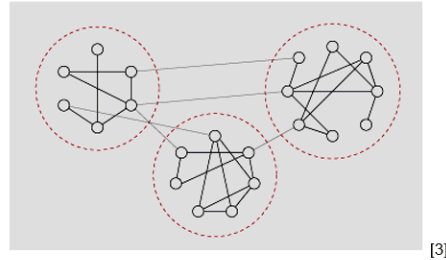
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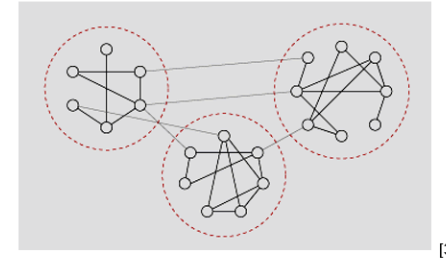
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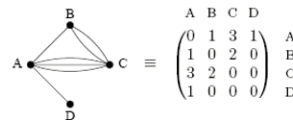
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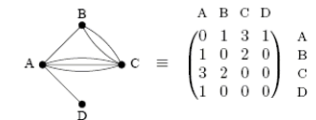
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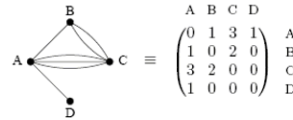


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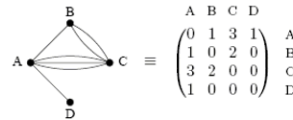


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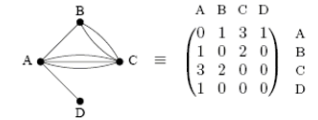


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