

The strict terminal connection problem with a bounded number of routers

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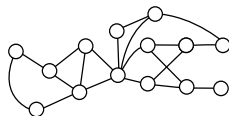
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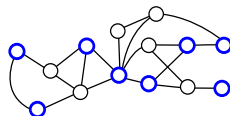
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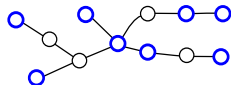
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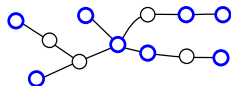
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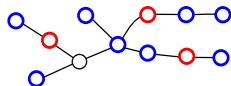
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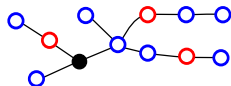
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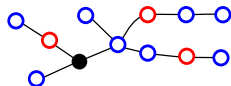
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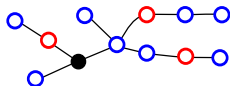
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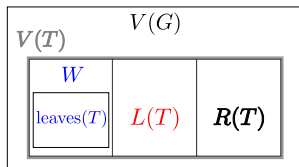
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- Motivated by applications in networks, Dourado et al. proposed the **TERMINAL CONNECTION PROBLEM**:

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S-TCP: computational complexity

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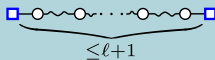
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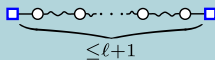


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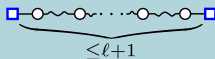
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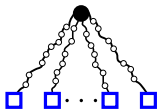
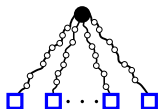


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- We prove that the S-TCP($r = 1$) is polynomial-time solvable by a **Turing reduction** to MIN-SUM st -DISJOINT PATHS:

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MIN-SUM st -DISJOINT PATHS (st -DP)

Instance: A graph G , two distinct vertices $s, t \in V(G)$ and two non-negative integers k and x .

Question: Are there k vertex-disjoint paths between s and t in G whose sum of their lengths is at most x ?

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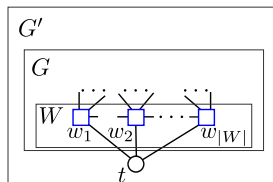
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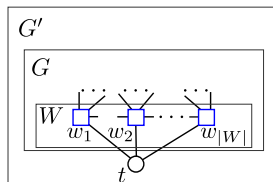
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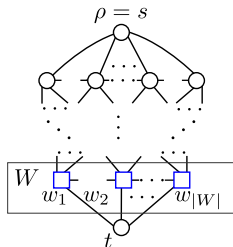
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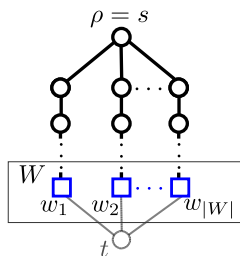
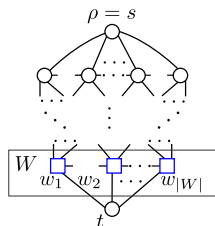


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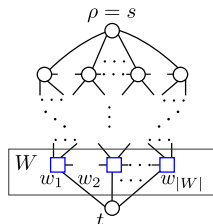
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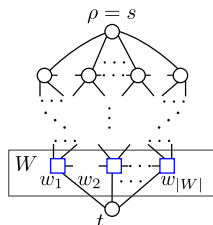


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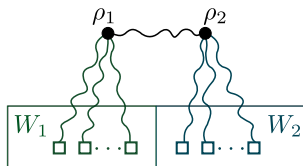
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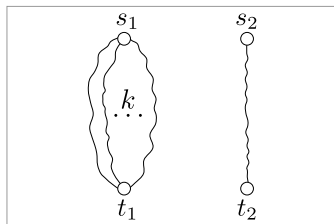
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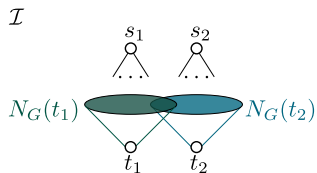
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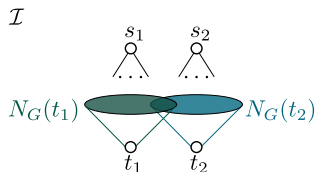
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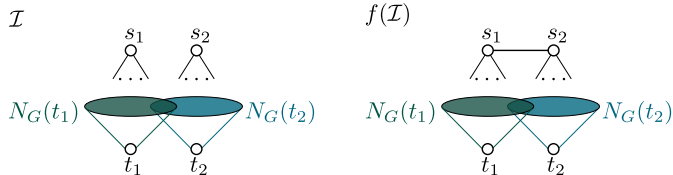
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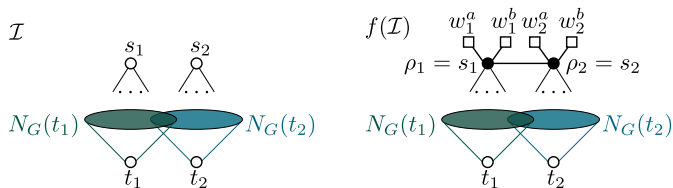
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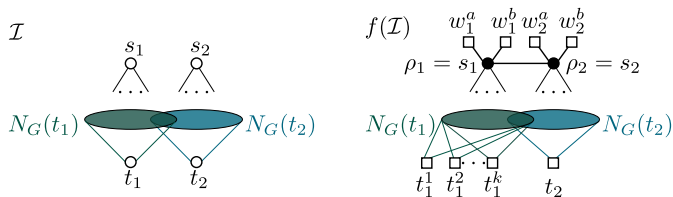
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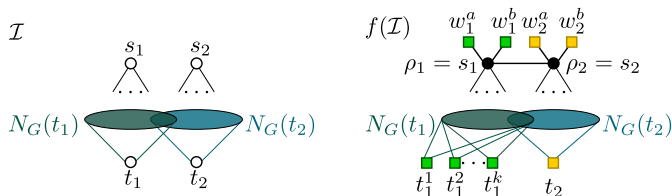
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Results:

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- The r -PARTITIONED S-TCP(r) is NP-complete, for all $r \geq 2$.

Open problem:

- The computational complexity of the S-TCP(r), for $r \geq 2$.

Thank you for your attention!

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