

# Lecture 12:

Succinct Data Structures (ctd.)

Distance Oracles

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# Sparse Bit Vectors

- remainder from last lecture:
- Bit-vector  $B[0,n-1]$  containing  $u$  1's can be stored in  $O(u \lg(n/u)) + o(n)$  bits such that
  - ▶  $B[i]$  : access to  $i$ 'th bit
  - ▶  $\text{rank}_1(B,i)$  : # 1's in  $B[0,i]$
  - ▶  $\text{select}_1(B,i)$  : pos. of  $i$ 'th 1 in  $B$
- all in  $O(1)$  time
- pioneers:  $u = n/\lg n \Rightarrow O(n \lg \lg n / \lg n) = o(n)$

# Simplification

- Already have  $\Theta(n)$ -bit DS for rank/select
  - ▶ assumes we can access a **chunk** of  $\lg n$  consecutive bits in  $B$  in  $O(1)$  time (table lookup!)
  - ▶ **strategy:** store  $B$  in compressed form such that  $C = O(\lg n)$  consecutive bits
$$B[i..i+C-1]$$
can be read in  $O(1)$  time
  - ▶ combine with  $\Theta(n)$  DS for "normal" rank/select

# Compressing $B$

- Divide  $B$  into **blocks**  $B_0, \dots, B_{n/s}$  of size  $s = \lg n/2$  (again!)
- For every block  $B_i$  store:
  - ▶  $u_i$  : # 1's in  $B_i$
  - ▶  $o_i$  : **index** in an **enumeration** of all length- $s$  bit-vectors with  $u_i$  1's
- **Universal table**  $\text{BlkContents}[\cdot][\cdot]$ :
  - ▶  $\text{BlkContents}[u][o] =$  bit-pattern describing block
  - ▶  $|\text{BlkContents}| = 2^s \cdot s \times s = o(n)$  bits (as usual!)

# Compressing $B$

- $u_i$ 's: stored in an **array**  $U[0, n/s]$ 
  - ▶  $|U| = O(n/s \lg s) = O(n \lg \lg n / \lg n)$  bits
- $o_i$ 's: stored as  $O=o_0 o_1 \dots o_{n/s}$  (variable lengths!)
- recovering  $o_i$  from  $O$ :
  - ▶ group  $s$  blocks into a **superblock**
  - ▶  $Sblk[i]$ : start of  $i$ 'th superblock in  $O$ 
    - $|Sblk| = O(n/s^2 s) = O(n/\lg n)$  bits
  - ▶  $Blk[i]$ : start of  $i$ 'th block, **relative** to superblock
    - $|Blk| = O(n/s \lg s) = O(n \lg \lg n / \lg n)$  bits

# Size of $O$

- important fact:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n/s} \lg \binom{s}{u_i} \leq \lg \binom{n}{u}$$

since

$$\binom{n}{u} \geq \binom{s}{u_0} \times \cdots \times \binom{s}{u_{n/s}}$$

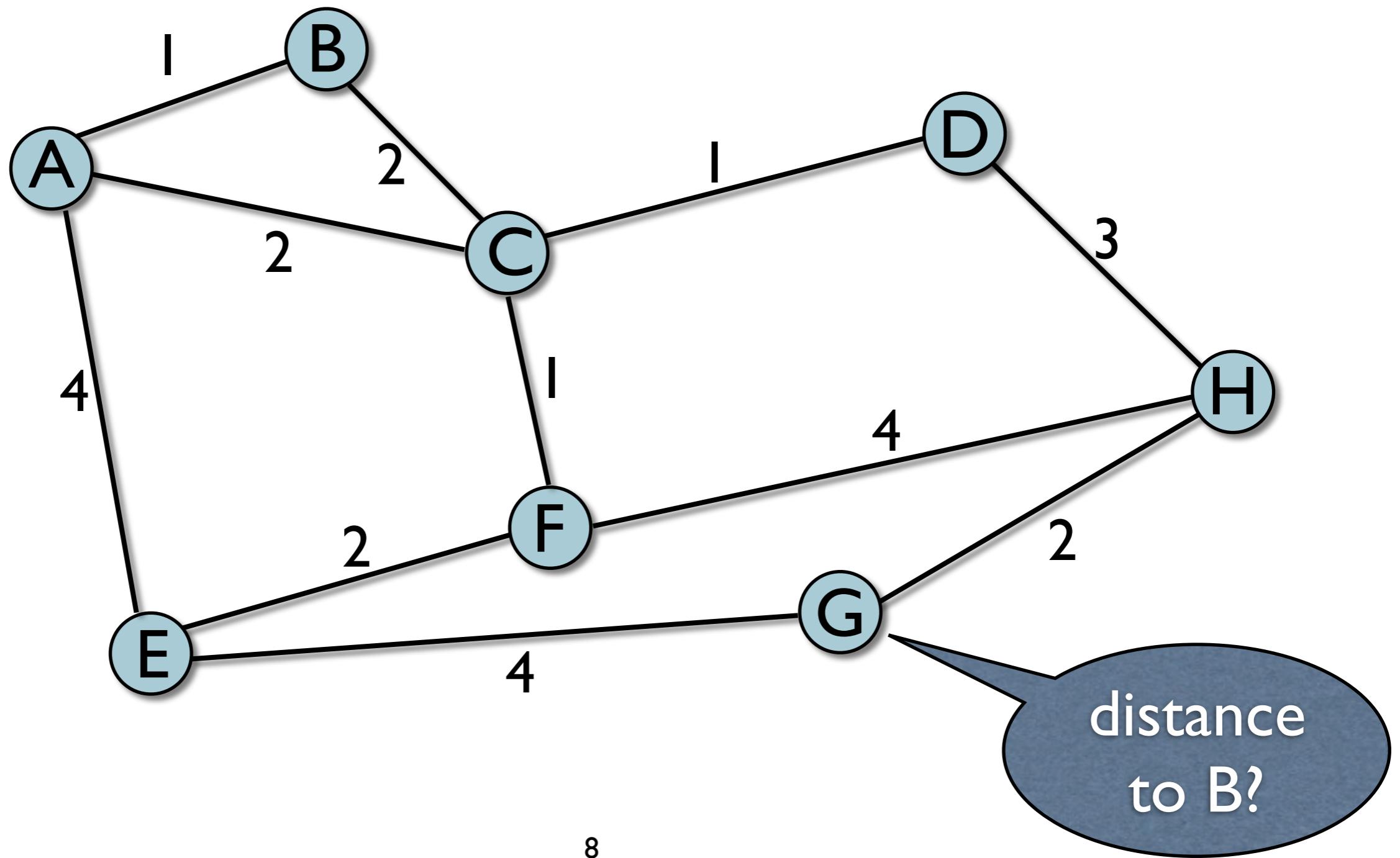
- rest of analysis: see blackboard

$$\Rightarrow |O| = O(u \lg(n/u) + n/\lg n) \text{ bits}$$

# Distance Oracles in Graphs

- M.Thorup, U. Zwick: *Approximate Distance Oracles*.  
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# Distance Oracles



# Basic Definitions

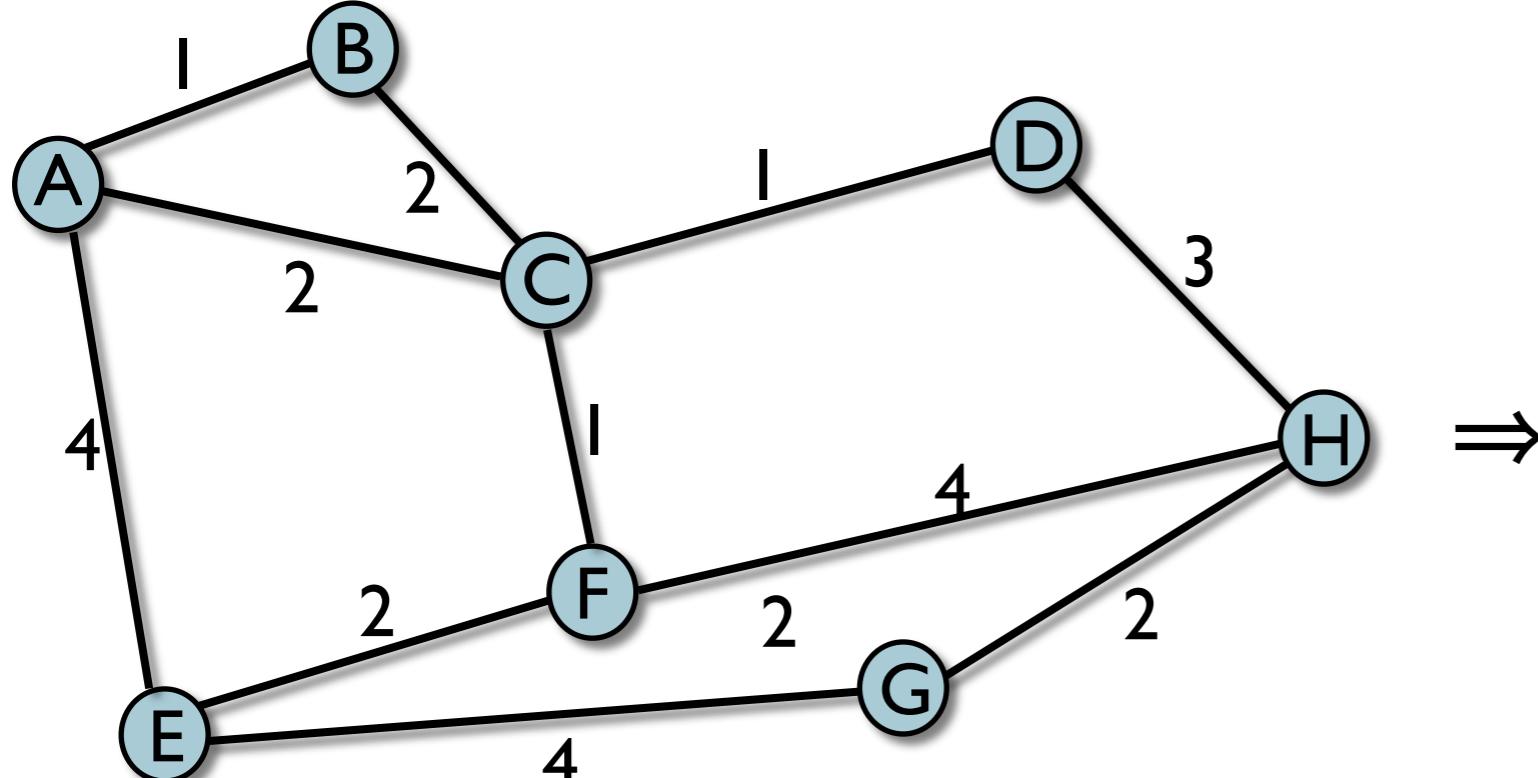
- $G=(V, E)$ : weighted undirected **graph**
  - ▶  $|V|=n, |E| = m$
  - ▶  $e \in E: \omega(e) \geq 0$  **edge weights**
  - ▶  $\delta(u,v)$ : **distance** from  $u$  to  $v$   
(length of shortest path)
  - ▶  $\delta(A,v)$ : **distance** from  $v$  to nearest  $a \in A \subseteq V$
- $d(u,v)$  **stretch- $t$**  approximation to  $\delta(u,v)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \delta(u,v) \leq d(u,v) \leq t \cdot \delta(u,v)$

# Main Result

- $k$ : arbitrary parameter
- Preprocess  $G$  in  $O(kn^{1/k} (n \lg n + m))$  time
  - ▶ DS of size  $O(kn^{1+1/k})$  (**words** from now on)
  - ▶ distance **queries**  $\text{dist}_k(u,v)$  in  $O(k)$  time
  - ▶ stretch  $\leq 2k-1$
  - ▶ report **path** of length  $\leq \text{dist}_k(u,v)$  in  $O(1)$  time per edge
- e.g.  $k=2$ 
  - ▶  $O(n^{3/2})$  space,  $O(1)$  query time, stretch 3

# Part I: Metric Spaces

- Assume metric as distance matrix



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
A	0	1	2	3	4	3	8	6
B		0	2	3	5	3	8	6
C			0	1	3	1	6	4
D				0	4	2	5	3
E					0	2	4	6
F						0	6	4
G							0	2
H								0

# Random Samples

- construct **randomly**

$$V = A_0 \supseteq A_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A_{k-1} \supseteq A_k = \emptyset$$

- **Rule:**

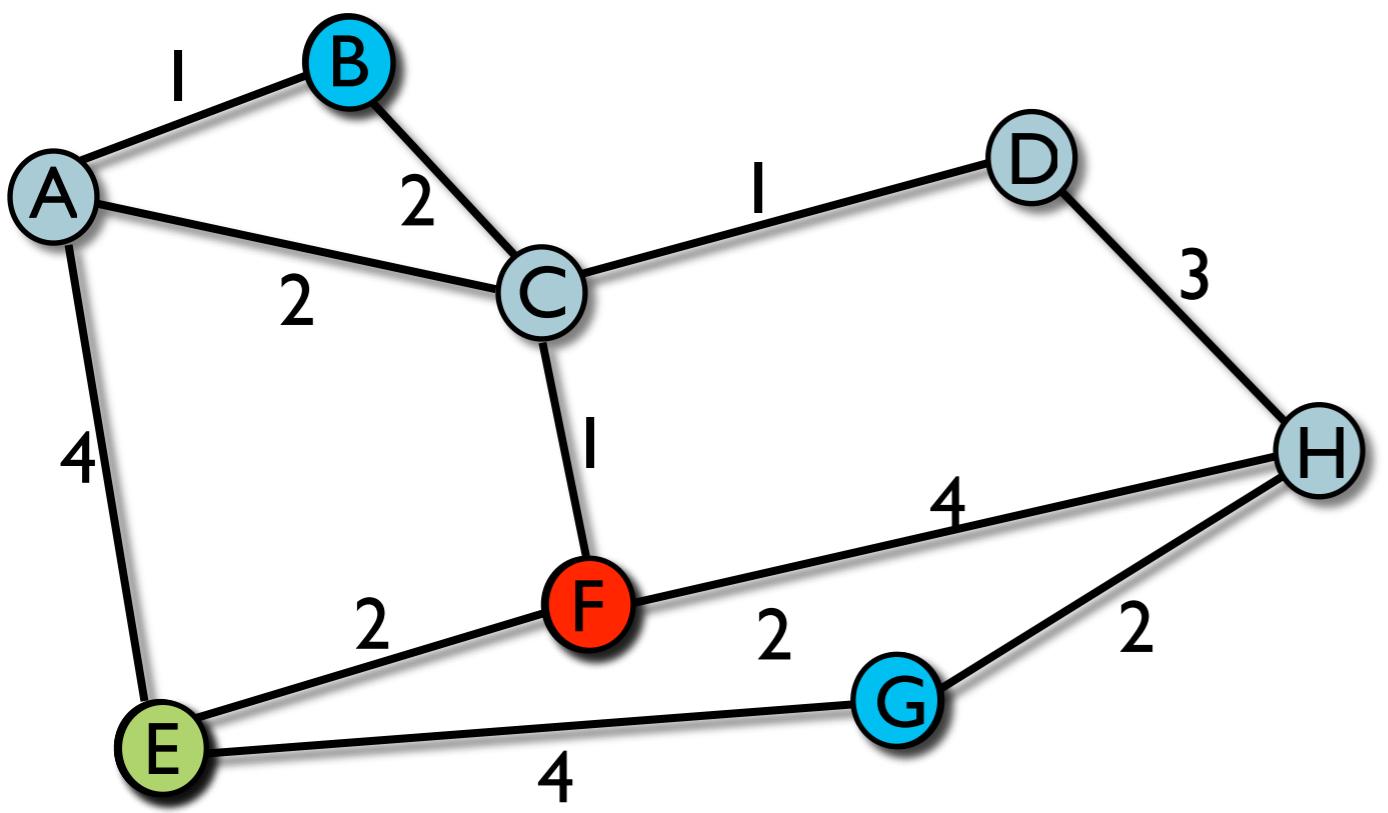
"Place  $v \in A_{i-1}$  in  $A_i$ , independently, with probability  $n^{-1/k}$ ."

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \text{Exp}[|A_i|] &= |V| \times \text{Prob}[v \in A_j \ \forall \ 1 \leq j \leq i] \\ &= n \times n^{-1/k} \cdot n^{-1/k} \cdot \dots \cdot n^{-1/k} \ (\text{i times}) \\ &= n^{1-i/k}\end{aligned}$$

- **compute and store**  $\forall v, \forall k$ :

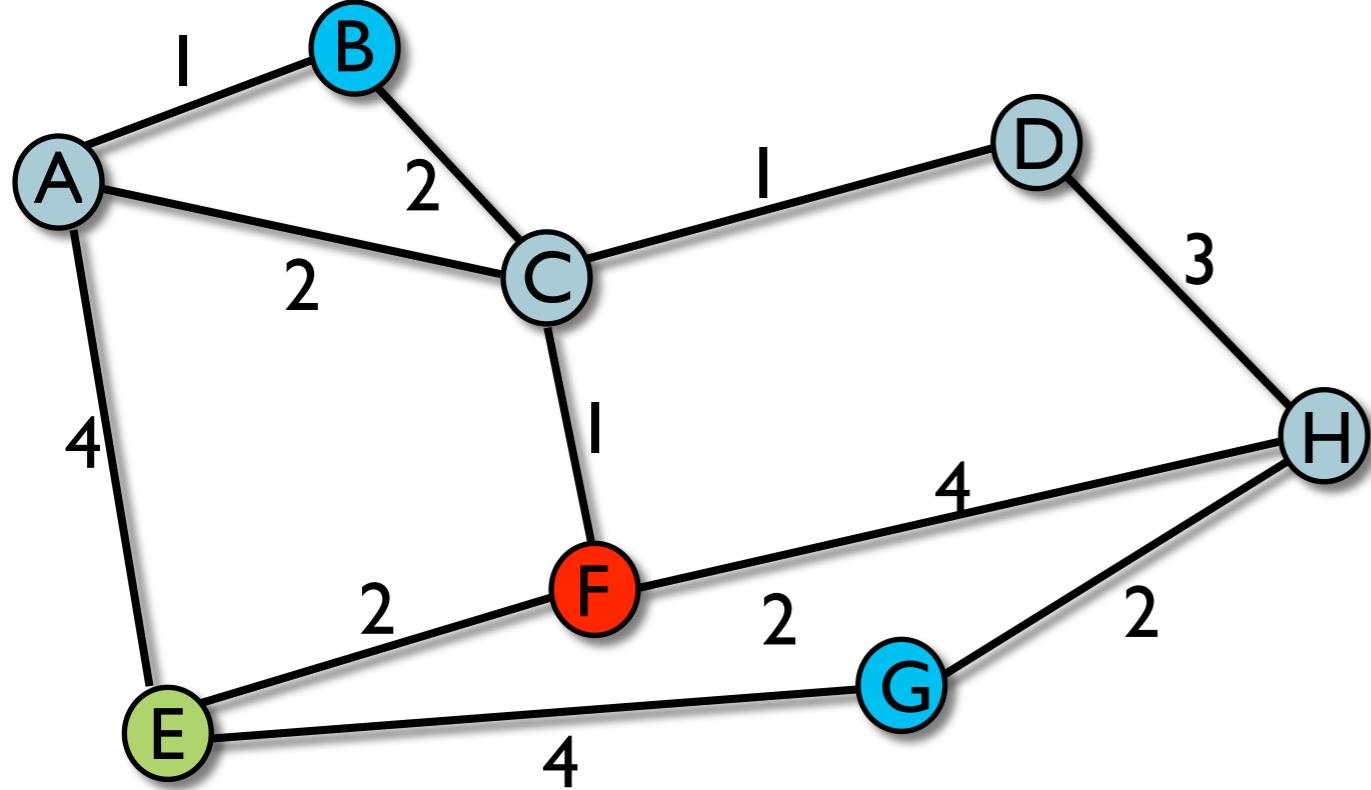
►  $\delta(A_i, v)$  and  $p_i(v)$  with  $\delta(p_i(v), v) = \delta(A_i, v)$  ("witness")

# Example



- $A_0 = \{A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H\}$
- $A_1 = \{B, E, F, G\}$
- $A_2 = \{E, F\}$
- $A_3 = \{E\}$
- $A_4 = \emptyset$

# Example

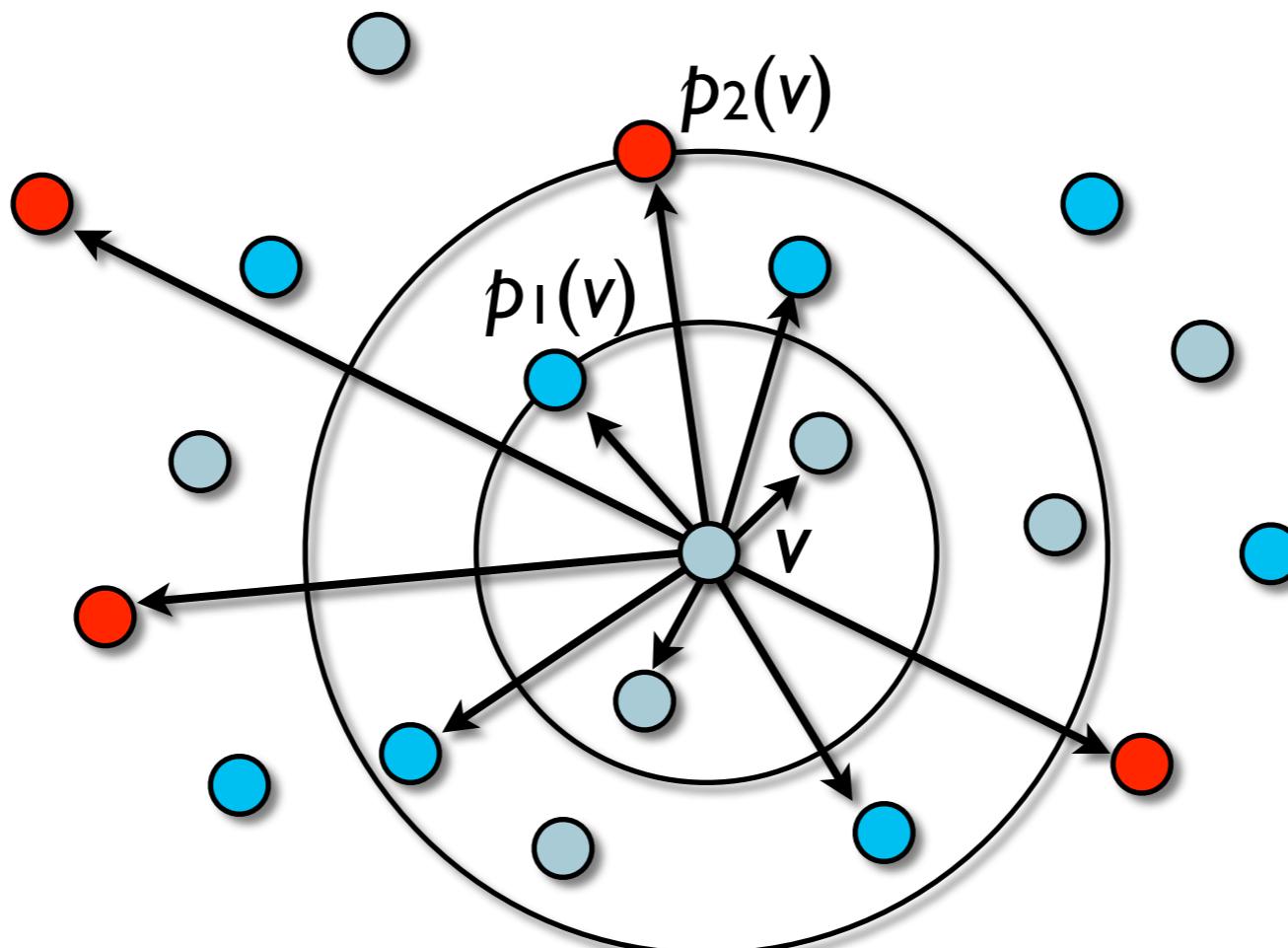


	$\delta(A_i, v)$					$p_i(v)$				
	0	1	2	3	4	0	1	2	3	4
A	0	1	3	4	$\infty$	A	B	F	E	$\perp$
B	0	0	3	5	$\infty$	B	B	F	E	$\perp$
C	0	1	1	3	$\infty$	C	F	F	E	$\perp$
D	0	2	2	4	$\infty$	D	F	F	E	$\perp$
E	0	0	0	0	$\infty$	E	E	E	E	$\perp$
F	0	0	0	2	$\infty$	F	F	F	E	$\perp$
G	0	0	4	4	$\infty$	G	G	E	E	$\perp$
H	0	2	4	6	$\infty$	H	G	F	E	$\perp$

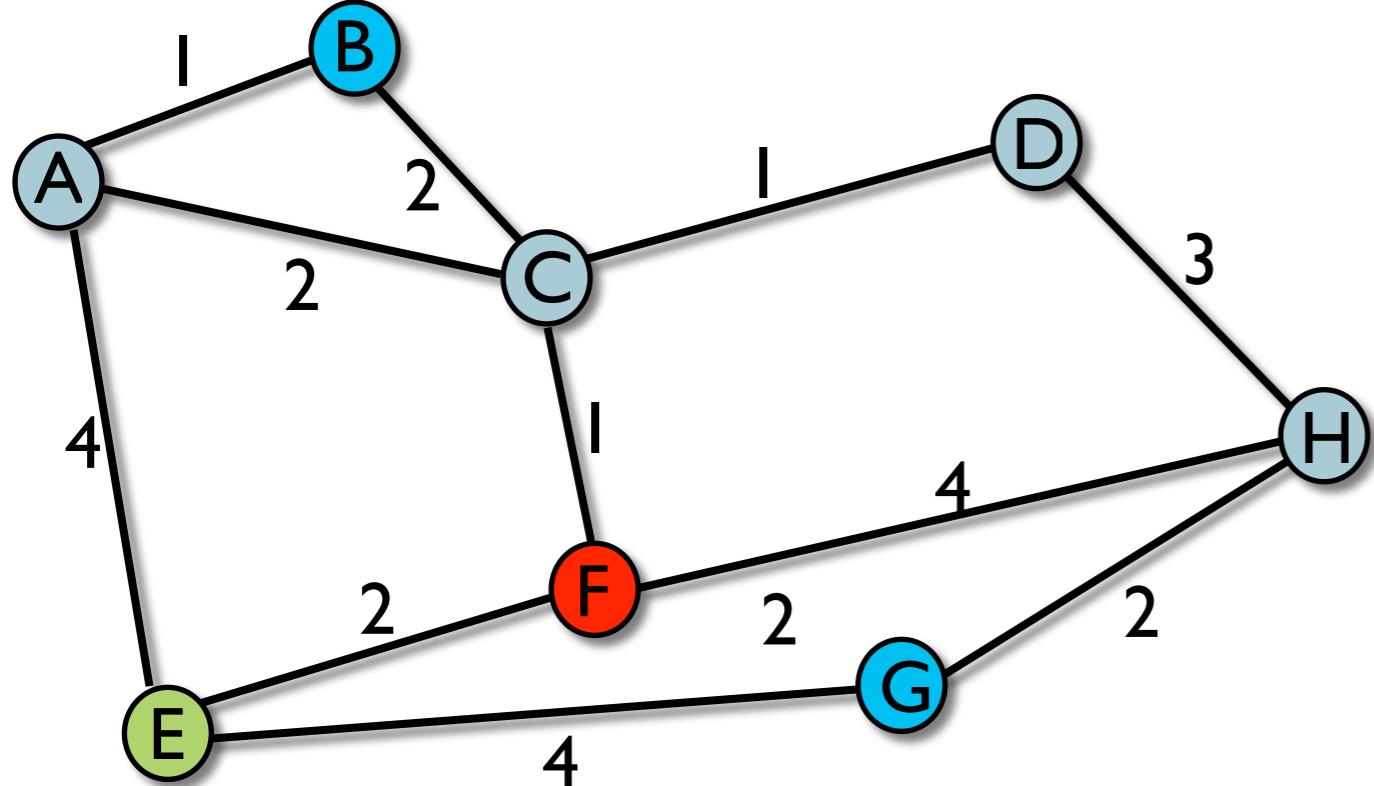
size  $O(kn)$

# Bunches

- **bunch**  $B(v)$  of  $v \in V$ :
  - $w \in B(v) \Leftrightarrow \exists i : w \in A_i \setminus A_{i+1}$  and  $\delta(w, v) < \delta(A_{i+1}, v)$



# Example



$$B(A)=\{A, B, F, E\}$$

$\downarrow$

$| = \delta(A, B) < \delta(A_2, A) = 3$

	$\delta(A_i, v)$					$p_i(v)$				
	0	1	2	3	4	0	1	2	3	4
A	0	1	3	4	$\infty$	A	B	F	E	$\perp$
B	0	0	3	5	$\infty$	B	B	F	E	$\perp$
C	0	1	1	3	$\infty$	C	F	F	E	$\perp$
D	0	2	2	4	$\infty$	D	F	F	E	$\perp$
E	0	0	0	0	$\infty$	E	E	E	E	$\perp$
F	0	0	0	2	$\infty$	F	F	F	E	$\perp$
G	0	0	4	4	$\infty$	G	G	E	E	$\perp$
H	0	2	4	6	$\infty$	H	G	F	E	$\perp$

# Bunches

- Store bunches in **perfect hash table**

  - ▶ can tell in  $O(1)$  time if  $w \in B(v) \dots$

  - ▶ ...and if so, what is  $\delta(w, v)$

- $\text{Exp}[|B(v)|] \leq kn^{1/k}$

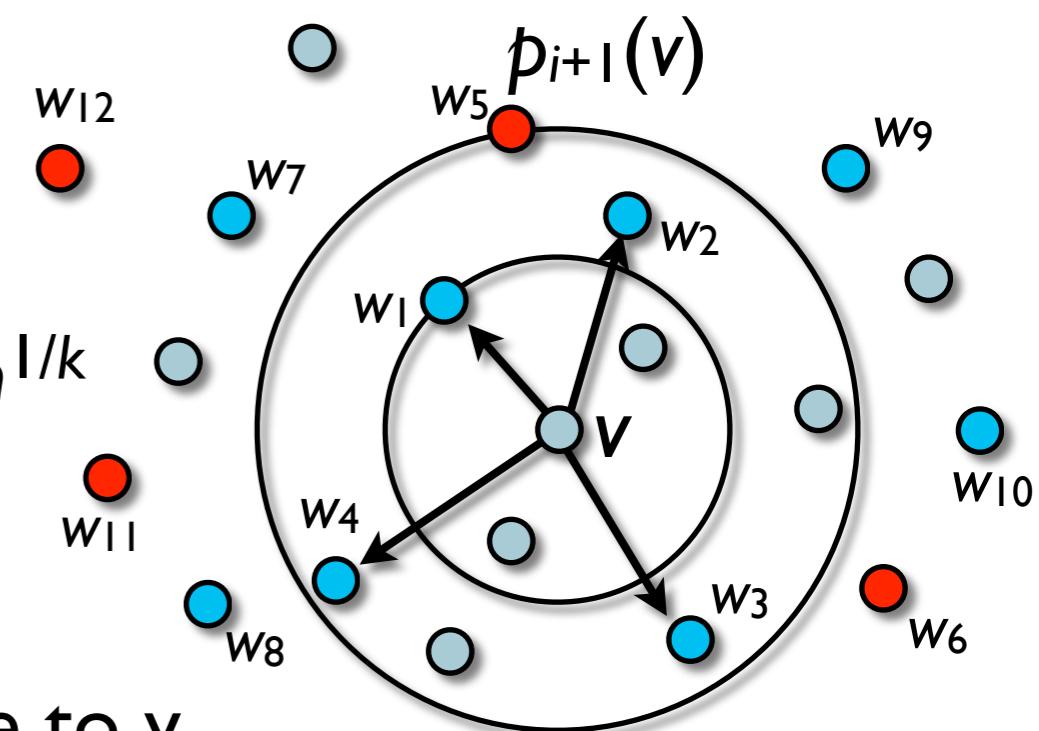
  - ▶ show  $\text{Exp}[|B(v) \cap (A_i \setminus A_{i+1})|] \leq n^{1/k}$

  - ▶ Trivial for  $i=k-1$ . For  $i < k-1$ :

    - $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_x$  ordered by distance to  $v$

    - $w_j \in B(v) \Rightarrow \delta(w_j, v) < \delta(A_{i+1}, v) \Rightarrow w_1, \dots, w_{j-1} \notin A_{i+1}$

    - $\text{Prob}[w_j \in B(v)] \leq (1 - \eta^{-1/k})^j \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \text{Exp}[|B(v)|] \leq kn^{1/k}$



# Query Algorithm

**function**  $\text{dist}_k(u,v)$ :

$w \leftarrow u; i \leftarrow 0;$

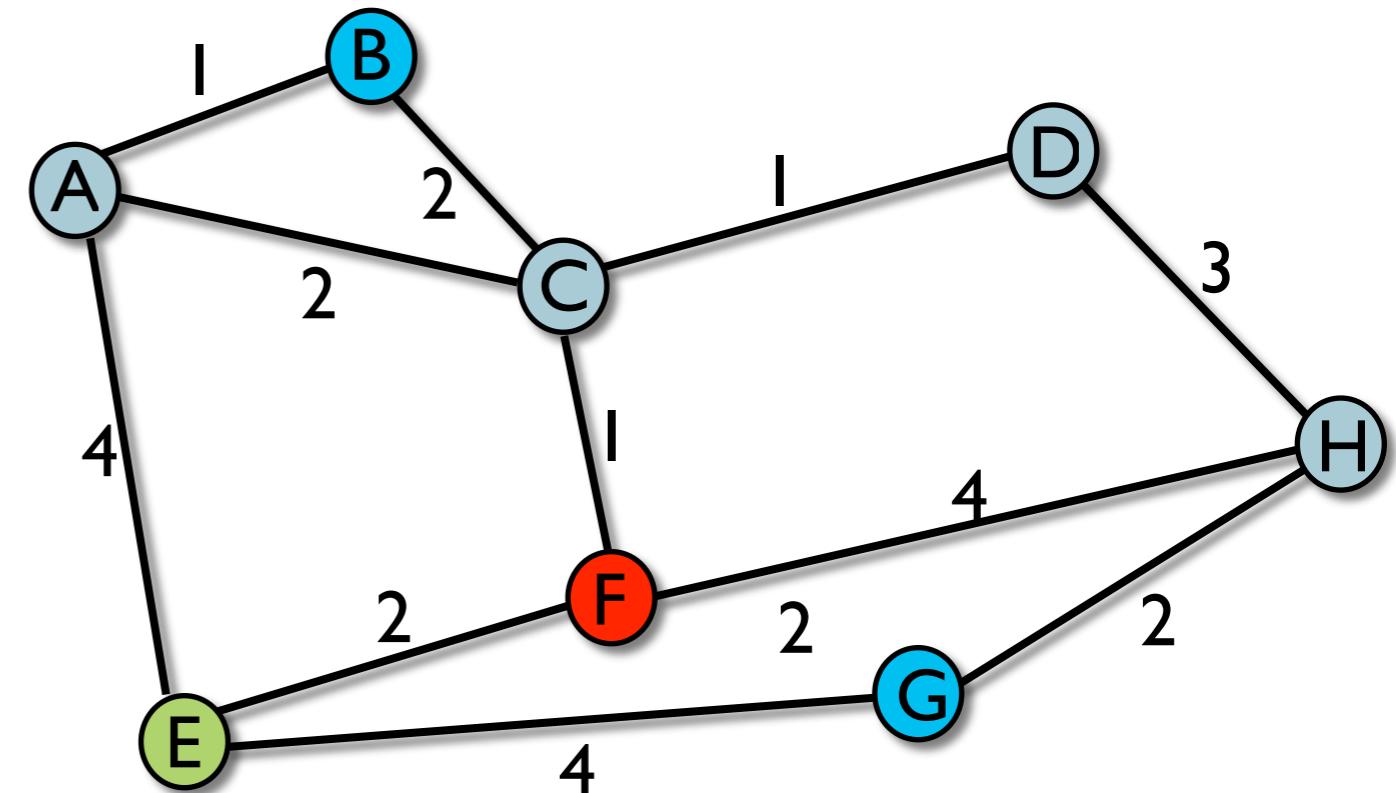
**while** ( $w \notin B(v)$ )

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

$w \leftarrow p_i(v)$

$(u,v) \leftarrow (v,u)$

**return**  $\delta(w,u) + \delta(w,v)$



- **prove**  $\text{dist}_k(u,v) \leq (2k-1) \cdot \delta(v,u)$

► every iteration increases  $\delta(w,u)$  by  $\leq \delta(v,u) = \Delta$

►  $\Rightarrow \delta(w,u) \leq (k-1) \cdot \Delta \Rightarrow \text{dist}_k(u,v) = \delta(w,u) + \delta(w,v) \Rightarrow \checkmark$