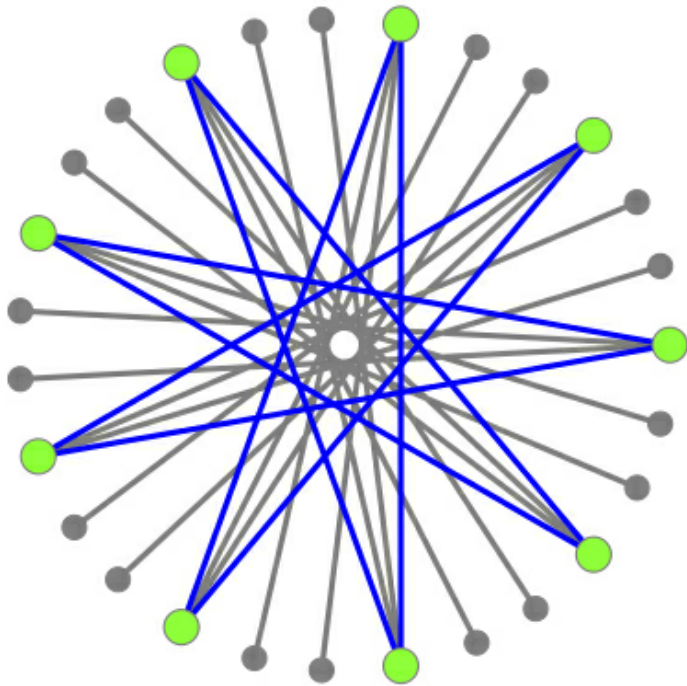


# The Utility of Untangling

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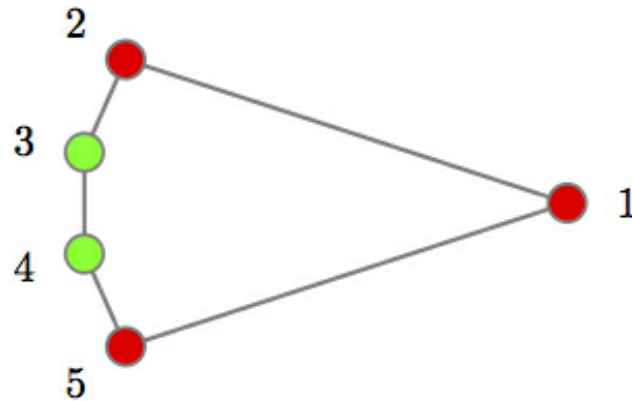
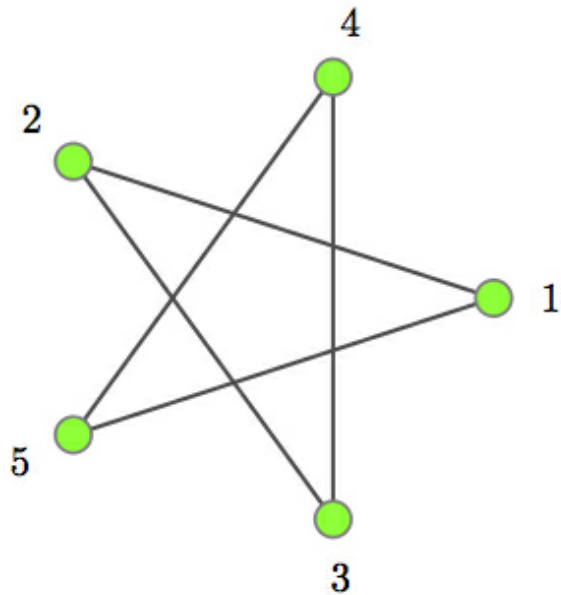
Dedicated to dearly missed  
Ferran Hurtado

what this talk  
is not about

## UNTANGLING

**GIVEN**: a geometric planar graph  $G$

**TASK**: move as few vertices as possible s.t.  
the resulting geom. planar graph  
is crossing-free i.e. **untangle**  $G$



fix: **1, 2, 5**

## AN OLD RESULT

th: Every  $n$ -vertex geom planar graph can be untangled while keeping  $\Omega(n^{1/4})$

[Bose, Dujmović, Hurtado, Langerman, Morin, Wood] 2007

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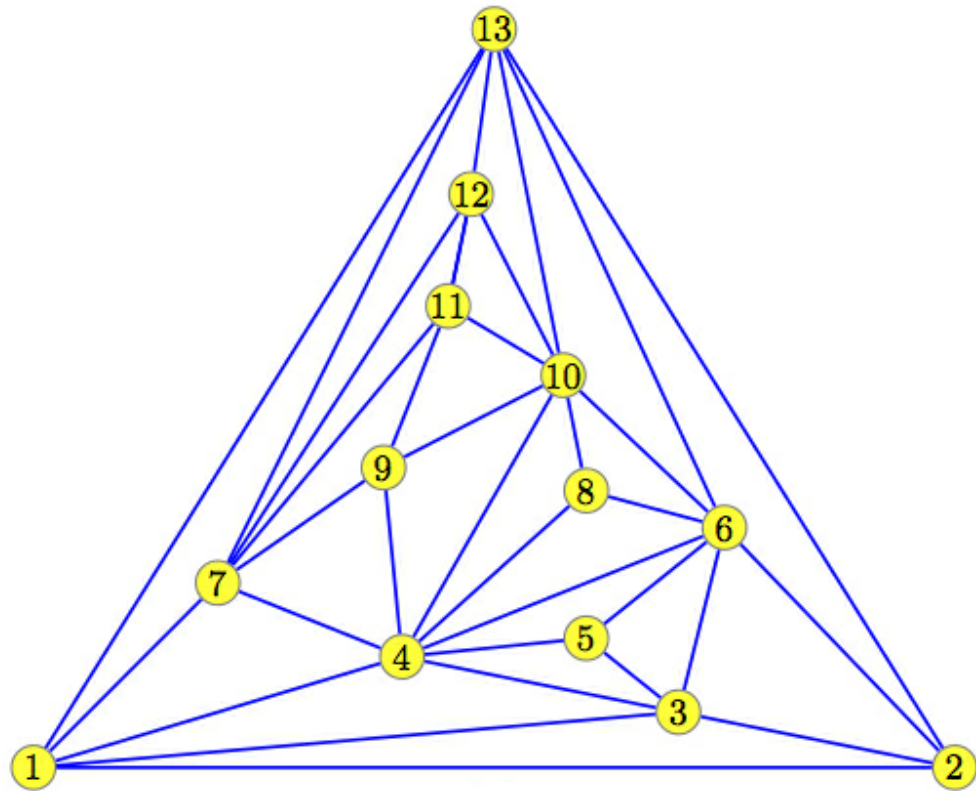
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Tools developed by do attack that problem implicitly give 2 lemmas that can be used to answer open problems in several new GD models.

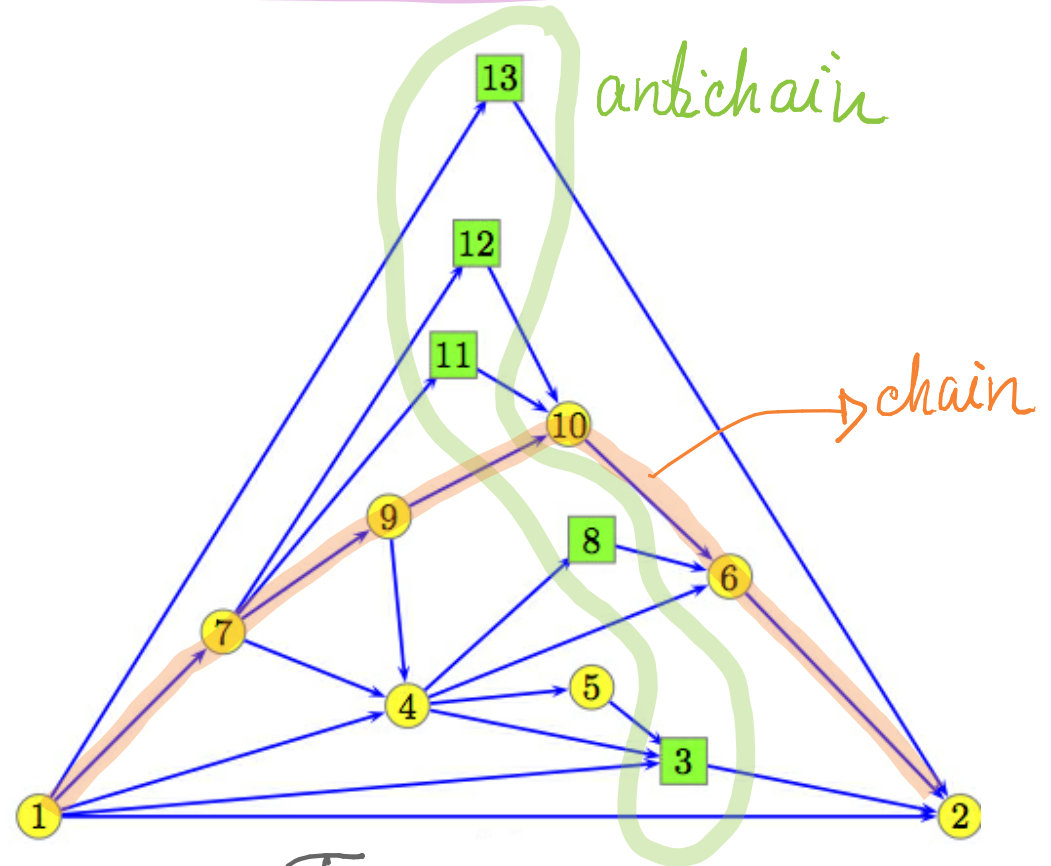
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# Tools

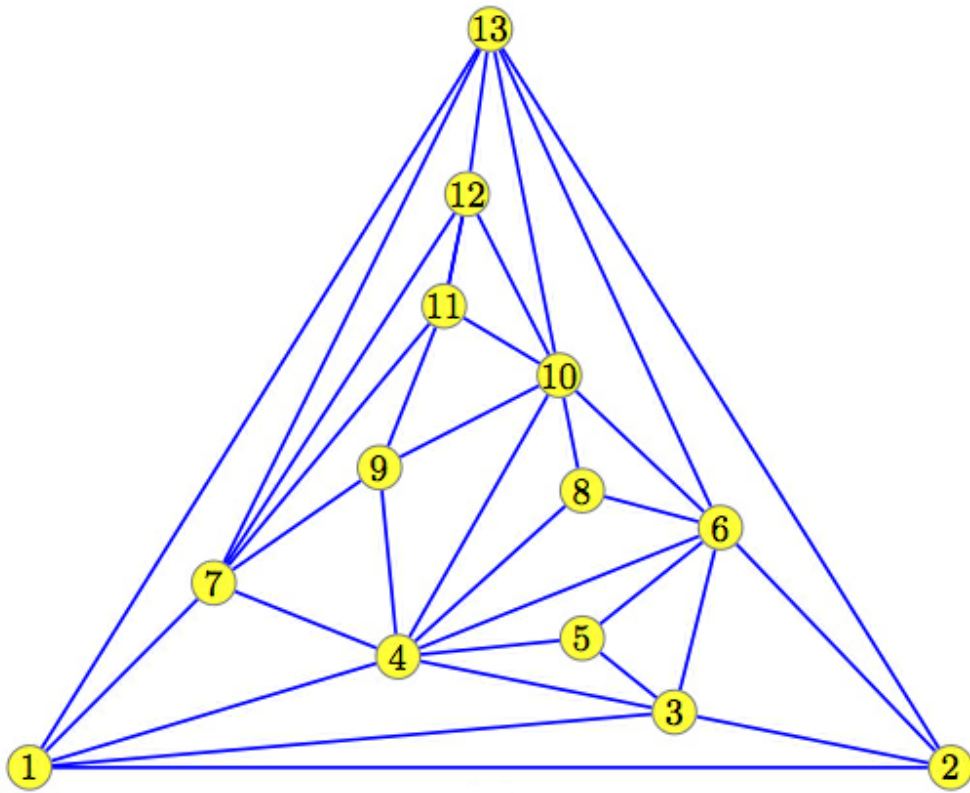


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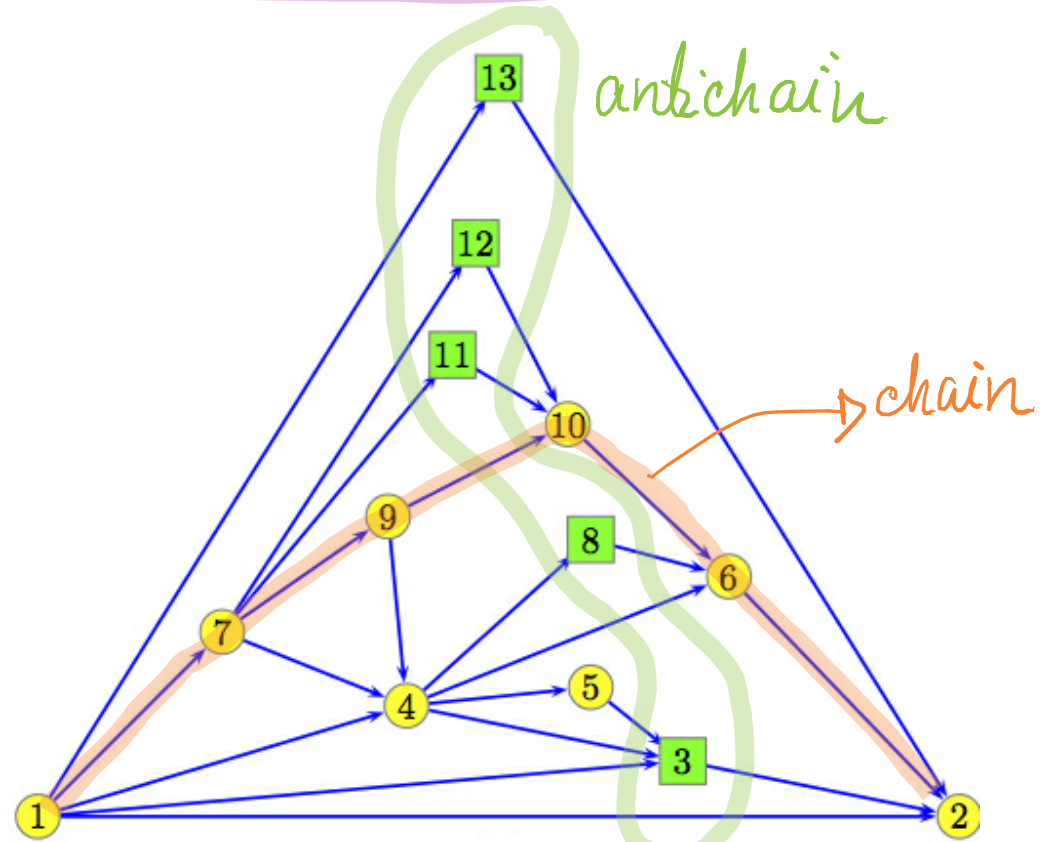


Frame

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Frame  $\mathcal{F}$

is also a union of 2 trees in Schnyder 3-tree decomposition with edge directions in one of the trees reversed as observed by [Giacomo, Liotta, Mchedlishvili 2012]

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$\exists$  an independent set  $I \subseteq V(H)$  where  $|I| \in \Omega(|V(H)|)$   
s.t. given any set of points  $P$ , where  $|P| = |I|$   
every mapping from  $I$  to  $P$  can be extended  
to a straight-line drawing of  $G$ , as long as

$\forall v, w \in I, x(v) < x(w) \iff v \prec_{\mathcal{F}} w$

$\hookrightarrow$  x-coord  $\hookrightarrow$  crossing-free



## Tools : Lemma 2

$G$  plane triangulation  
 $\prec_0$  canonical ordering used to derive  $\mathcal{F}$

[Bose, Dujmović, Hurtado, Langerman, Morin, Wood]  
2007

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Let  $A \subseteq V(G)$  induce an antichain in  $\mathcal{F}$

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## ONE APPLICATION

Def<sup>o</sup>  $\rightarrow$  bigger one

$G_1, G_2$  s.t.  $|V(G_1)| \geq |V(G_2)|$  have

geom. simultaneous embedding with no mapping (GSEnoM)  
if  $\exists$  a pointset  $P$  of size  $|V(G_1)|$  such that both  
 $G_1$  &  $G_2$  have a straight-line cross-face drawing on  $P$ .

Q: [Angelini, Evans, Frati, Gudmundsson,] 2013

What is the largest  $k$  s.t. every  $n$ -vertex planar graph and every  $k$ -vertex planar graph have GSEnoM?

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Proof sketch

- $\rightarrow$  Fáry Th  $\rightarrow$  straight-line crossing-free
1.  $G_2$  has SLCF drawing on some pointset  $P$  where  $|P| = k \leq \sqrt{n/2}$
  2. A frame of  $G_1$  has either a chain or an antichain of size  $\sqrt{n}$

$Lm 1$  or  $Lm 2 \Rightarrow G_1$  has a SLCF drawing where each point of  $P$  is taken by some vertex of  $G_1$ . QED

## OTHER APPLICATIONS

- Column planar sets
- Universal point subsets
- Other variants of Simultaneous Geometric Embeddings  
with or without mappings

- 
- anything else?

Thank you Patrizio!



↳ not a hat but  
a chocolate cake

All the mistakes  
are made by Lida

..... Enjoy the dinner

