

On Notions of Distortion and an Almost Minimum Spanning Tree with Constant Average Distortion

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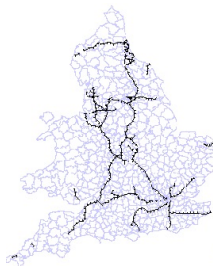
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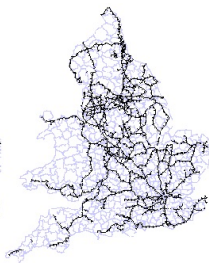
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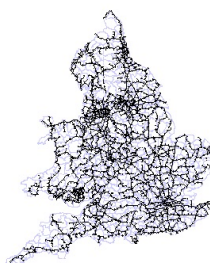
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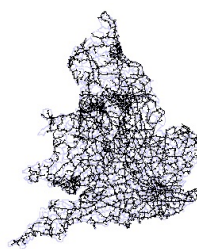
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Average Distortion = $O(1)$.

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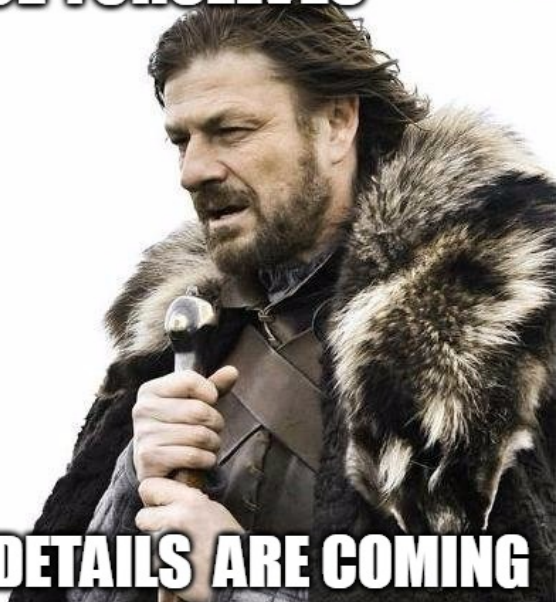
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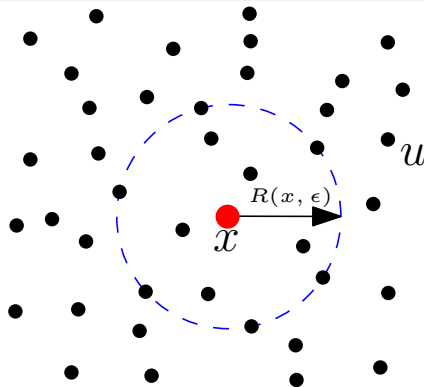
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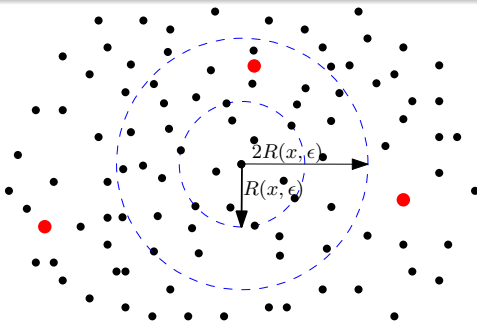
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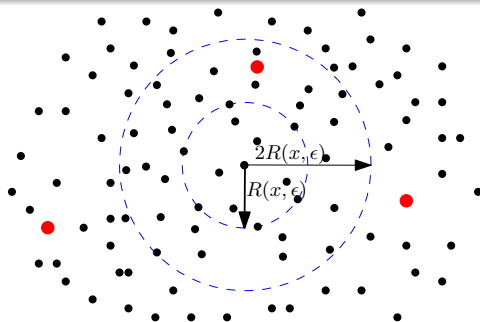
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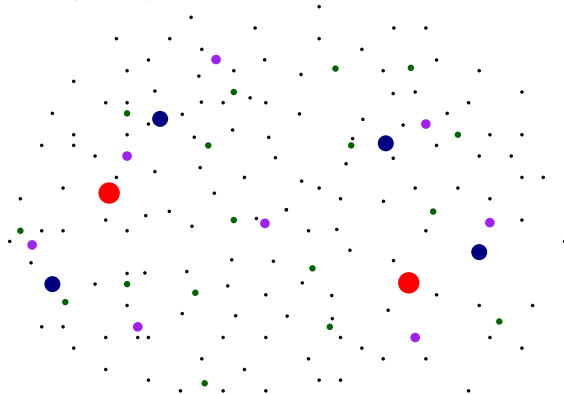
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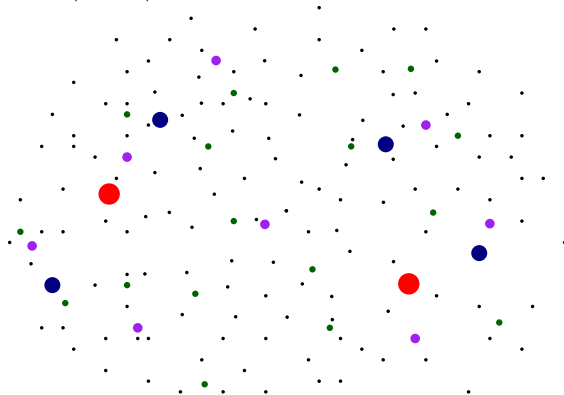
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