

Visualization of Barrier Tree Sequences Revisited

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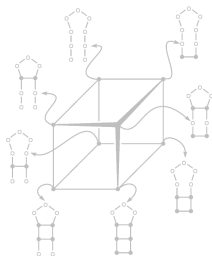
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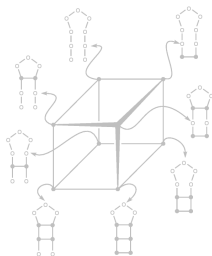
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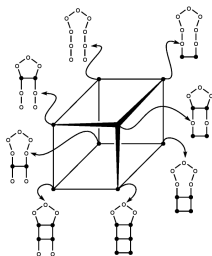
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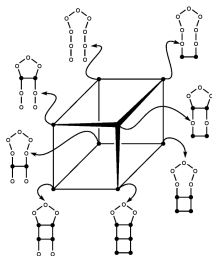
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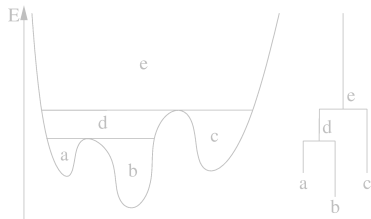
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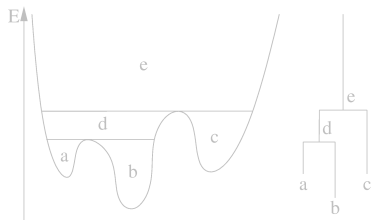
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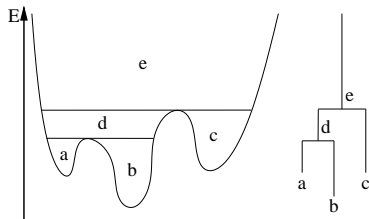
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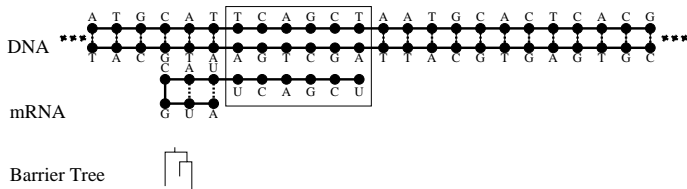
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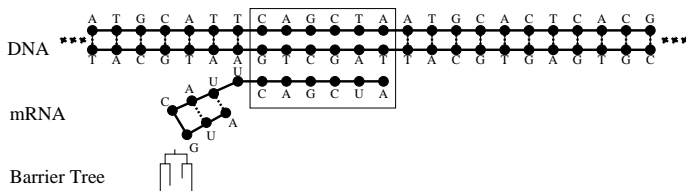
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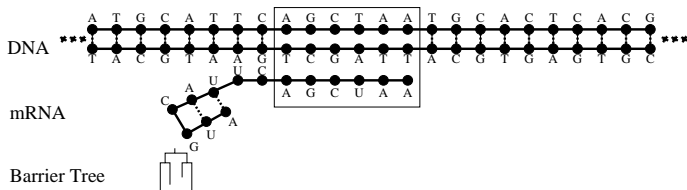
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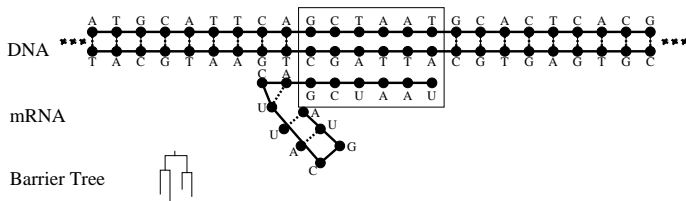
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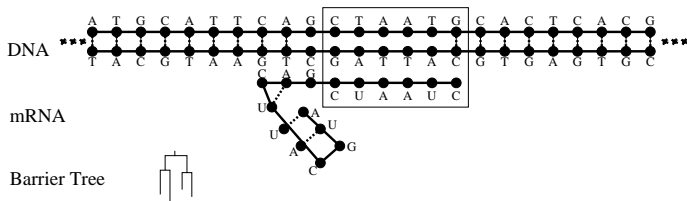
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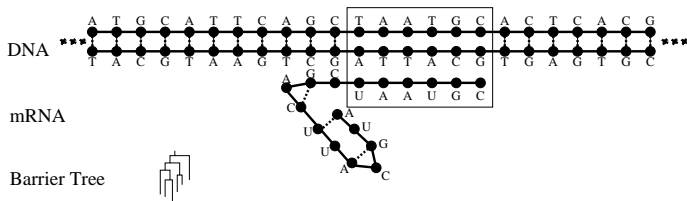
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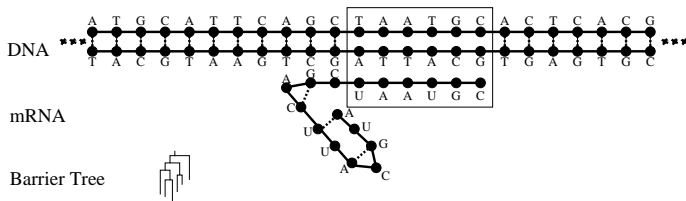
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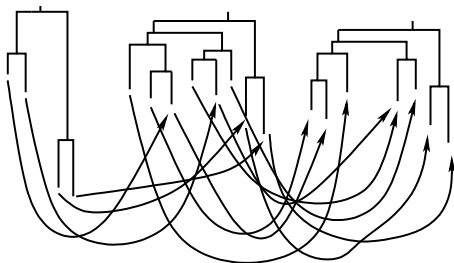
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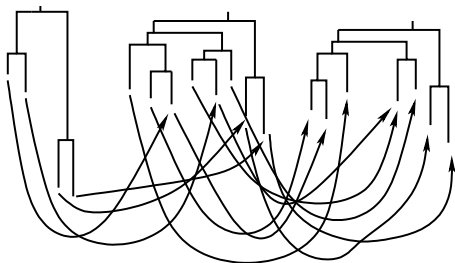
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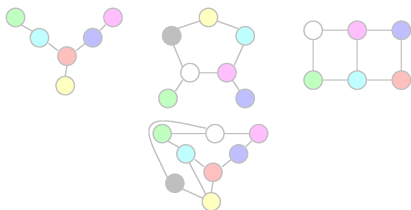


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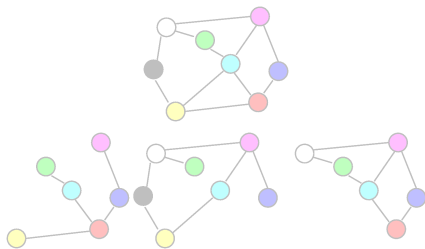


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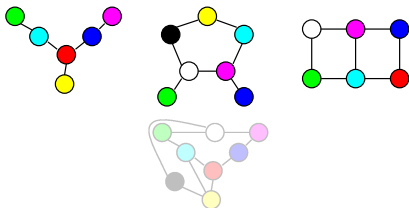
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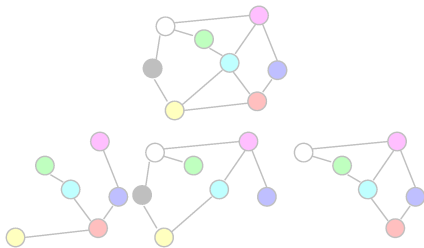


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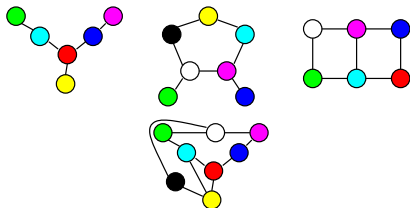
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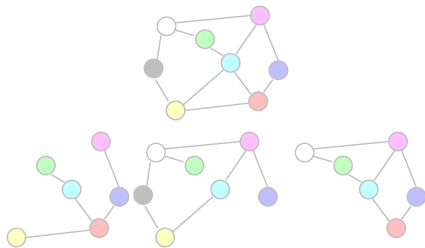


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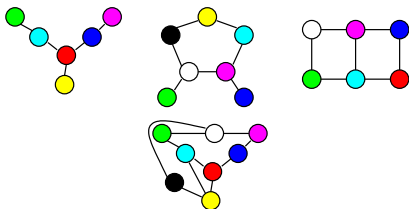
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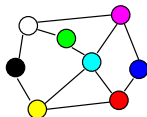


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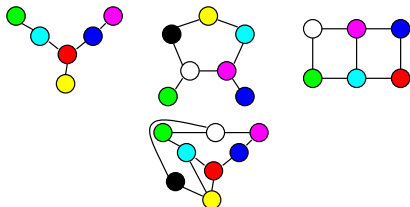


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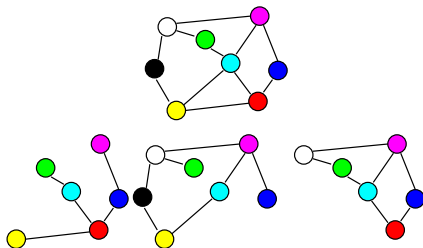


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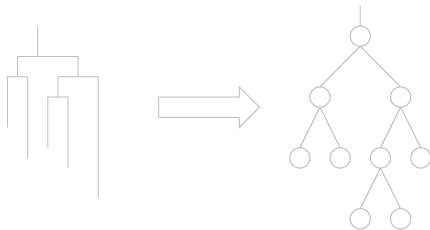


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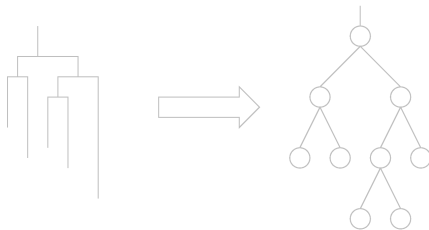
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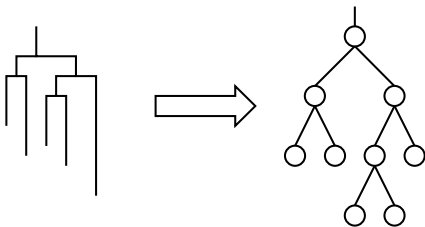
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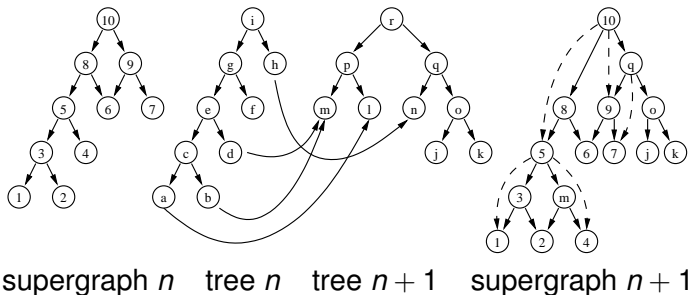
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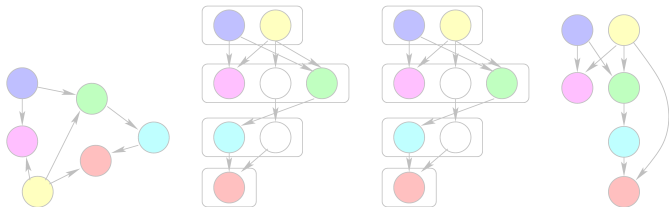
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- ▶ “set of leaves” heuristic (see Heine, Scheuermann, Flamm, Hofacker, and Stadler, *Visualization of Barrier Tree Sequences*, IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics, 12(5), 2006, 781-788.



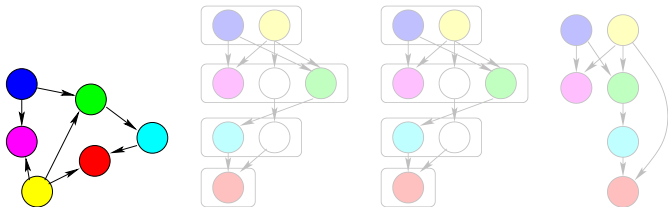
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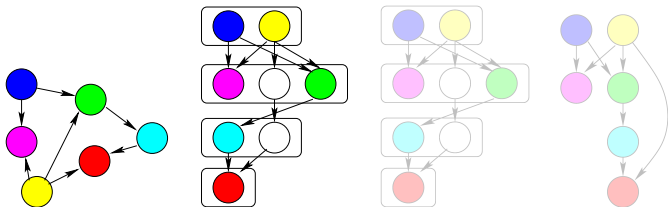
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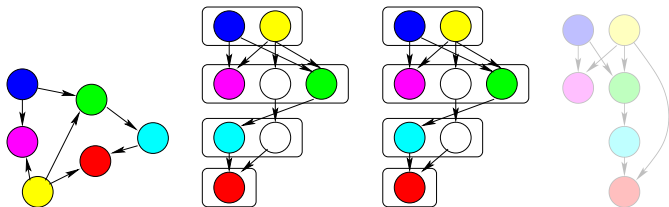
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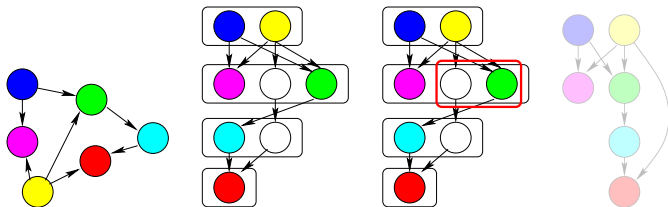
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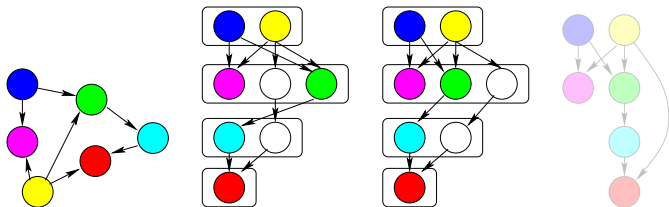
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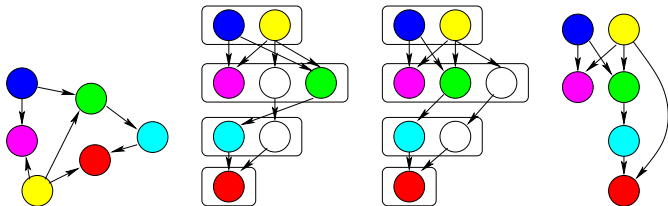
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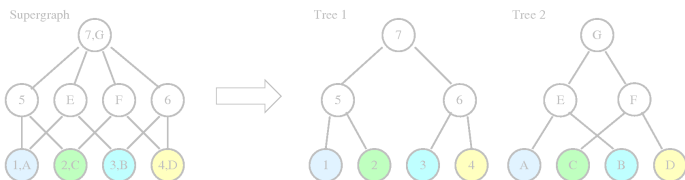


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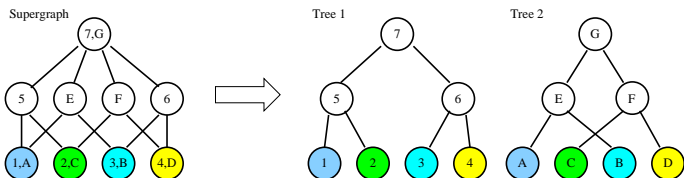
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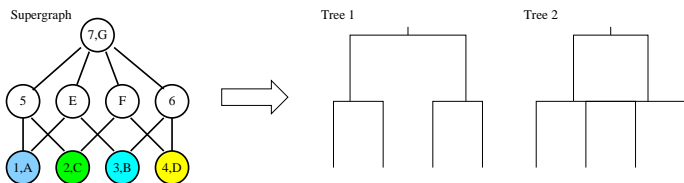
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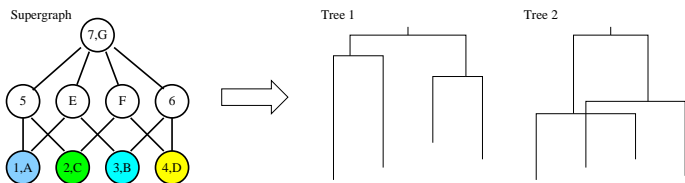
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New Layout Algorithm

- ▶ identification of equivalent vertices using “set of leaves” approach
- ▶ find a permutation of the equivalence classes that makes all trees of the sequence “nice”, formally:

$$\sigma = \underset{O}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^N (\alpha \cdot \operatorname{crossings}(T_i, O_{V_i}) + \beta \cdot \operatorname{localorder}(T_i, O_{V_i}))$$

New Layout Algorithm

- ▶ find the solution by repetition of the following:
 - ▶ randomly switching two vertices in the permutation,
 - ▶ reevaluation cost function $C(\sigma)$
 - ▶ keep new permutation with

$$p = \begin{cases} 1 & \Delta C < 0 \\ \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\Delta C T_t^{-1})} & \Delta C \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad T_t = \frac{n_t - t}{t}$$

- ▶ just reducing crossings is not enough
- ▶ nice side effect: distribute vertices more uniformly on the screen

Results

- ▶ runtime and quality improved greatly for HOK and LEPTO datasets

	equivalence classes	runtime old (1000 iterations)	runtime new (100000 iteration)
ATT	381	37s	27s
LEPTO	1531	3462s	79s
HOK	3793	16790s	182s

Conclusions and Future Work

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- ▶ strong improvement quality- and runtime-wise over old method

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