

1. Remove edges with length $> \frac{1}{4}B$.

2. Compute MSTs for each component.

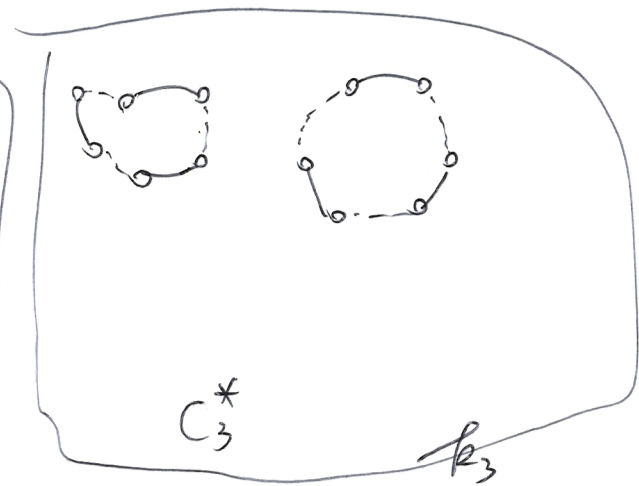
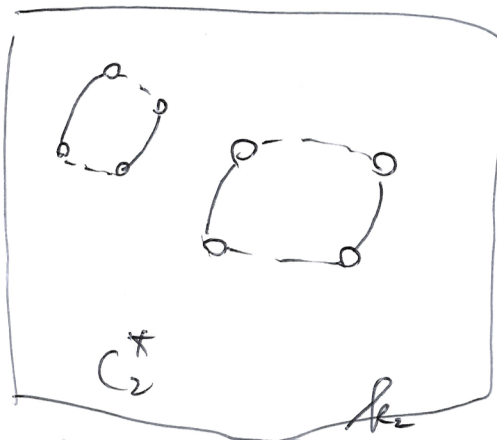
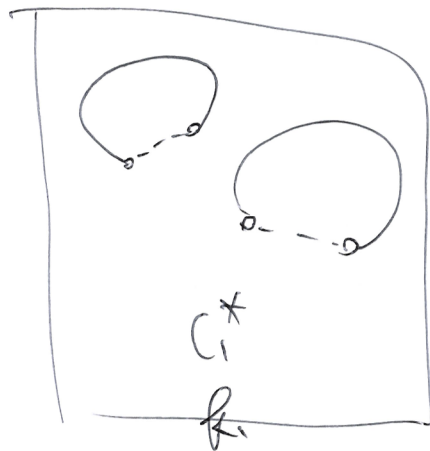
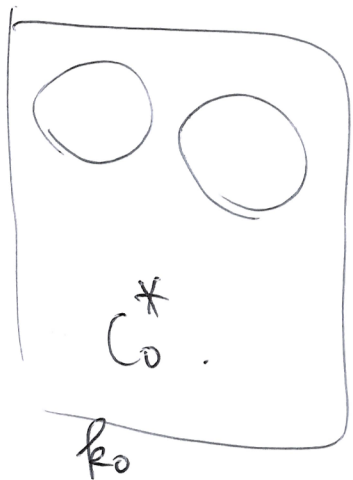
$T_1, \dots, T_g$.

3. Compute Min-cost matching for odd-degree vertices. M^0 .

4. Short-cut components in $UT_i \cup M^0$ to get Tours. $C_1, \dots, C_g$.

5. Short-cut tours to get cycles of length $\leq B$.

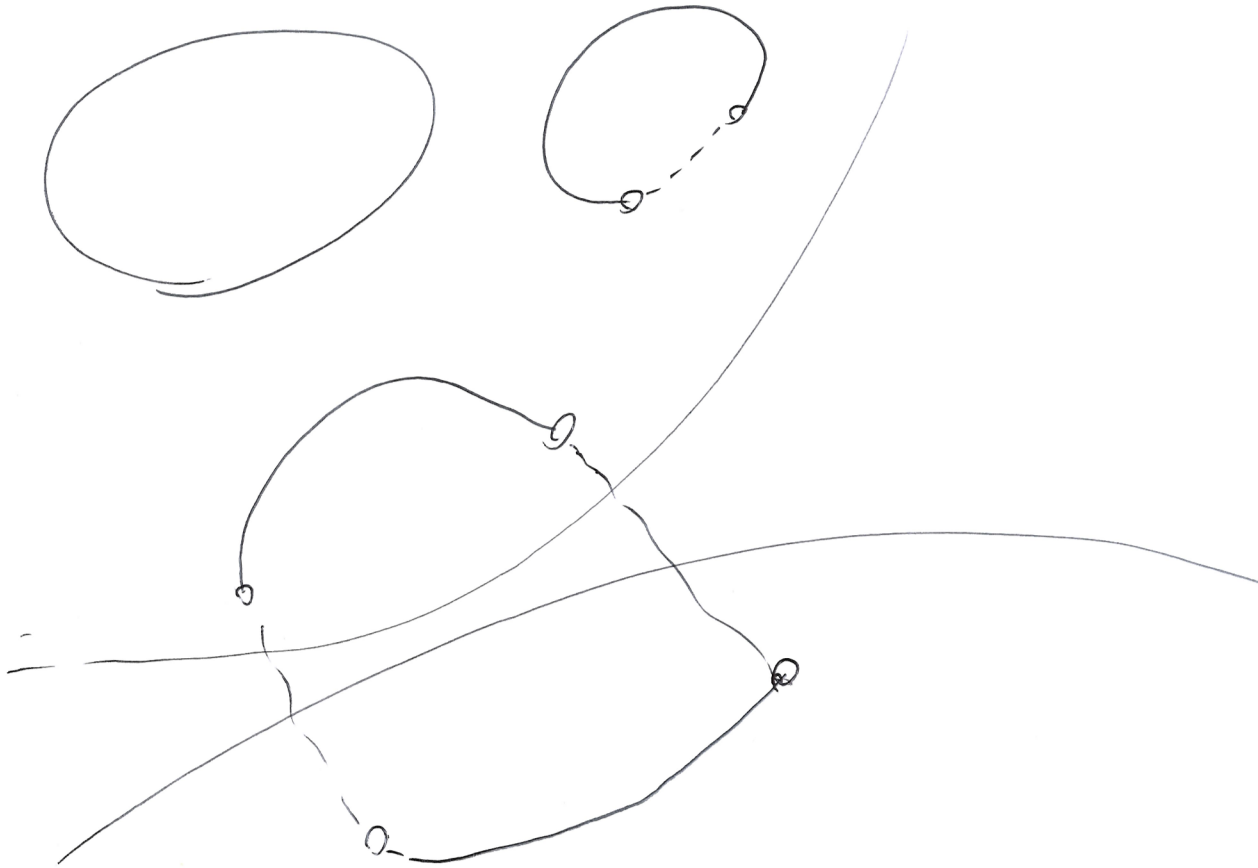
C_i^* = cycles in opt that contain i edges with length $> \frac{1}{4}B$.



Consider an opt solution in each connected component

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$\mathcal{C} = \#$ of connected components.



$$F = MSTs.$$

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$$w(F) = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq 8} w(T_j)$$

$$= k_0 \cdot B + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq 3} k_j \cdot \frac{4-j}{4} \cdot B + \left(k_0 + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq 3} j \cdot k_j - 8 \right) \cdot \frac{B}{4}$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} k_0 \cdot B + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq 3} k_j \cdot B - \frac{1}{4} 8 \cdot B.$$

of edges joining
sets into 8 components.

To form a ~~lower~~-band for M^0 .

cost. $k_0 \cdot B$
 $k_1 \cdot B$

for C_i^* . add the deleted edge back.

C_2^* . join the two end-points of the paths. $\sum_{3 \leq j \leq 4} 2 \cdot k_j \cdot \frac{4-j}{4} \cdot B$
 C_3^* .

$$w(M^0) \leq \frac{1}{2}(w(M_1^0) + w(M_2^0))$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(k_0 B + k B + 2 \cdot \sum_{3 \leq j \leq 4} k_j \cdot \frac{4-j}{4} \cdot B + 2 \cdot \left(k_0 + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq 3} j \cdot k_j - 8 \right) \cdot \frac{B}{4} \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{3}{4} k_0 B + \frac{3}{4} k \cdot B + \sum_{3 \leq j \leq 4} k_j \cdot B - \frac{1}{4} 8 \cdot B.$$

$$\Rightarrow w(\text{Tours}) \leq 2 \cdot k_0 B + \frac{7}{4} k \cdot B + 2 \sum_{3 \leq j \leq 4} k_j \cdot B - \frac{1}{2} 8 \cdot B.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{w(\text{Tours})}{\frac{B}{2}} + 8 \leq 4 \cdot \sum_j k_j \leq 4 K^*.$$