

On *additive detour subgraphs*

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Abstract

A spanning subgraph G of a graph H is a *k-detour subgraph* of H if for each pair of vertices $x, y \in V(H)$, the distance, $\text{dist}_G(x, y)$, between x and y in G exceeds that in H by at most k . Such subgraphs sometimes also are called *additive spanners*.

Construction of spanners with few edges and/or low maximum degree has attracted considerable attention in computer science lately.

We study k -detour subgraphs of the n -dimensional cube, Q^n , with few edges or with moderate maximum degree.