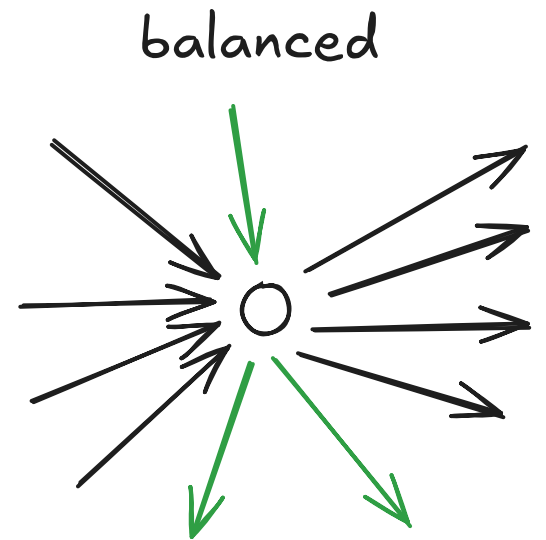
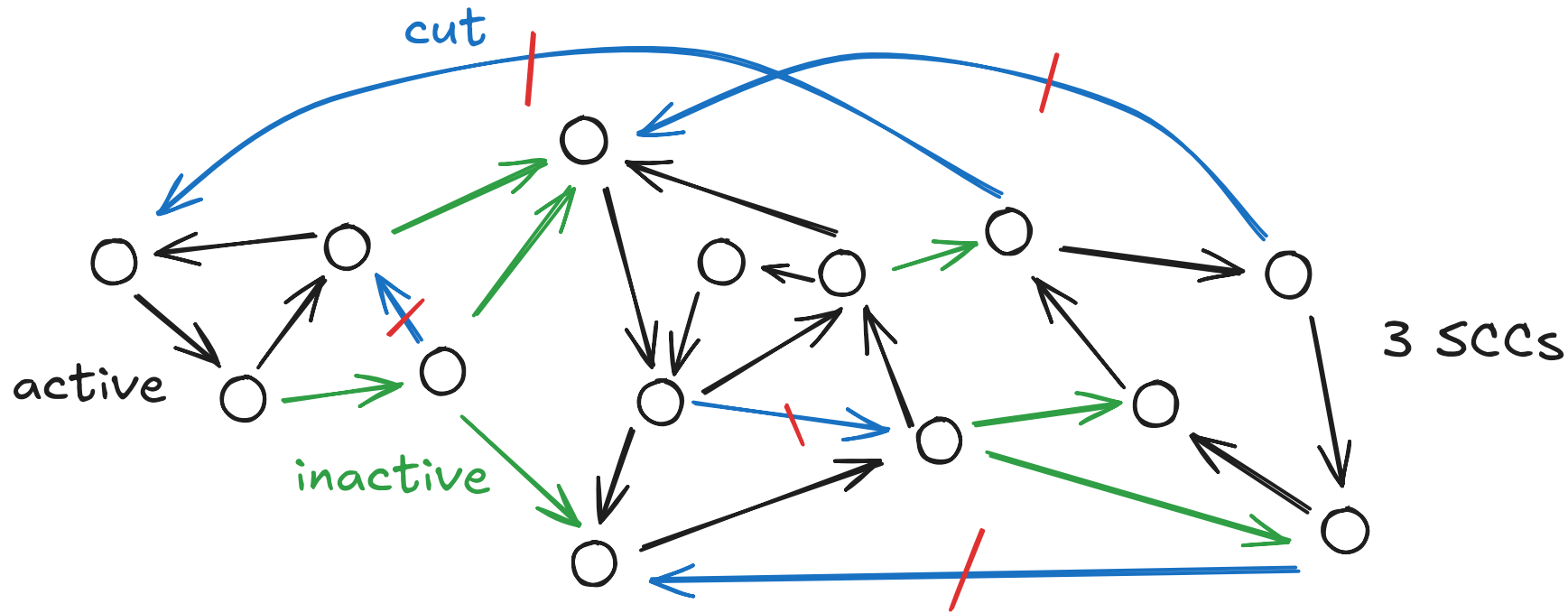


# ON THE PARAMETERIZED COMPLEXITY OF EULERIAN STRONG COMPONENT ARC DELETION

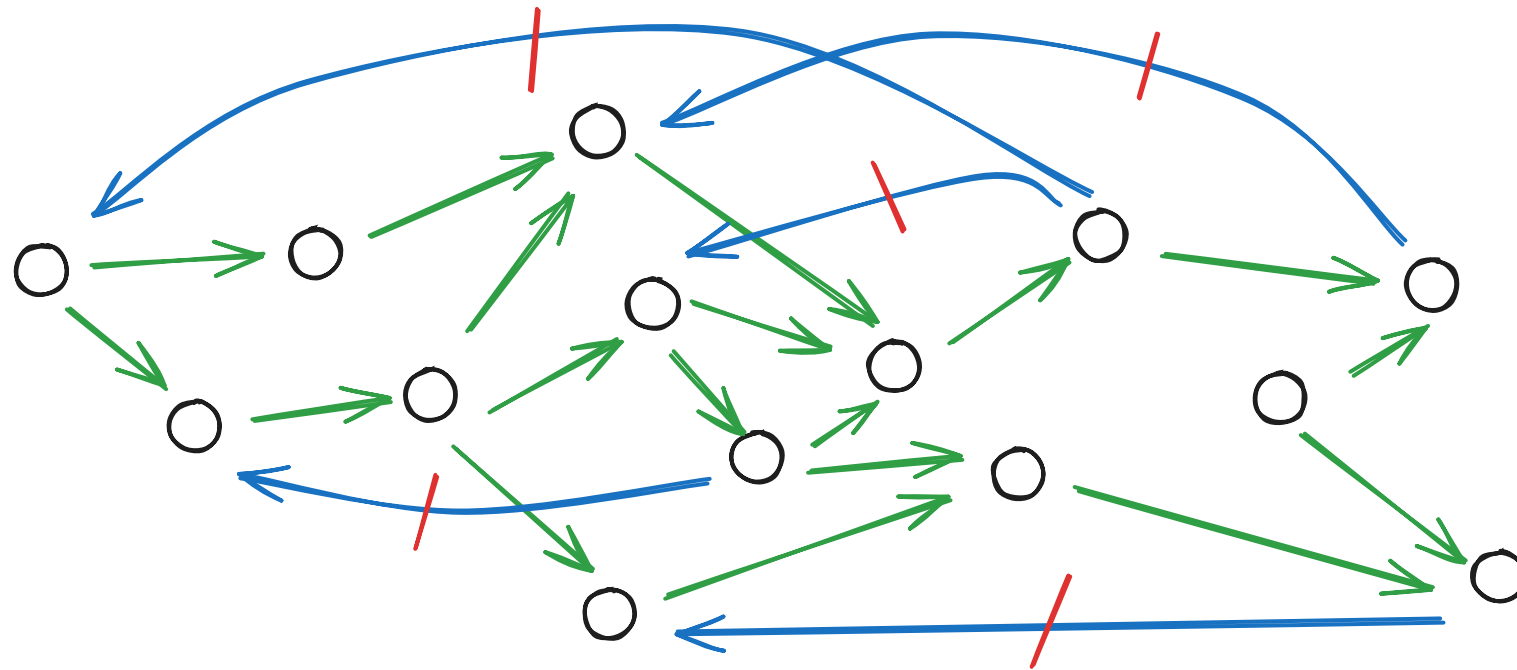
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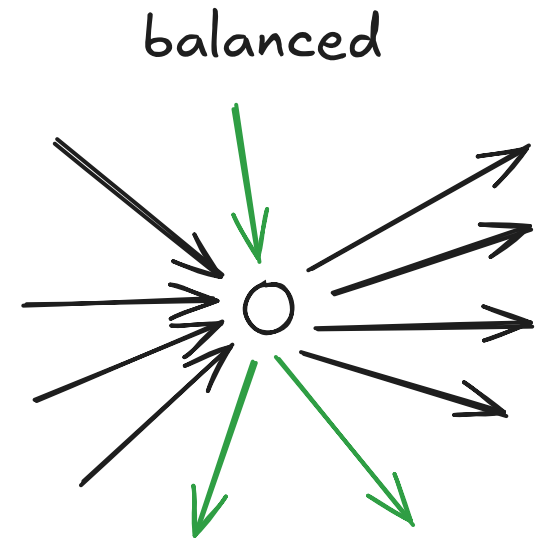
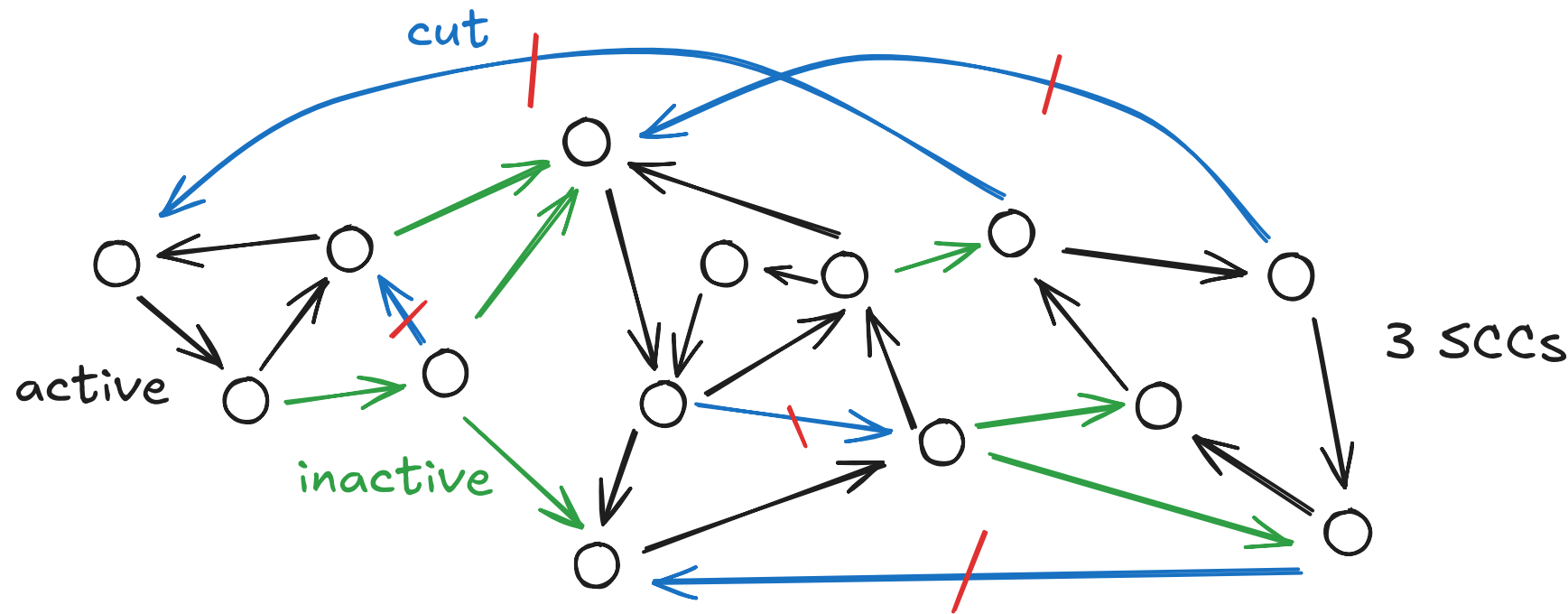
## FEEDBACK ARC SET

- **Input:** directed graph  $G$ , integer  $k$
- **Output:** Is there a set of arcs  $S$ ,  $|S| \leq k$ , such that every **strongly connected component** of  $G - S$  has size one?

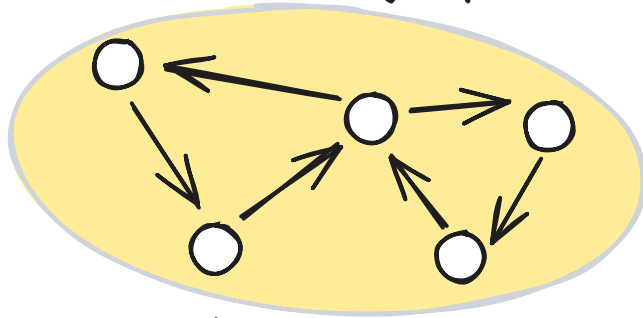


# EULERIAN STRONG COMPONENT ARC DELETION (ESCAD)

- **Input:** directed graph  $G$ , integer  $k$
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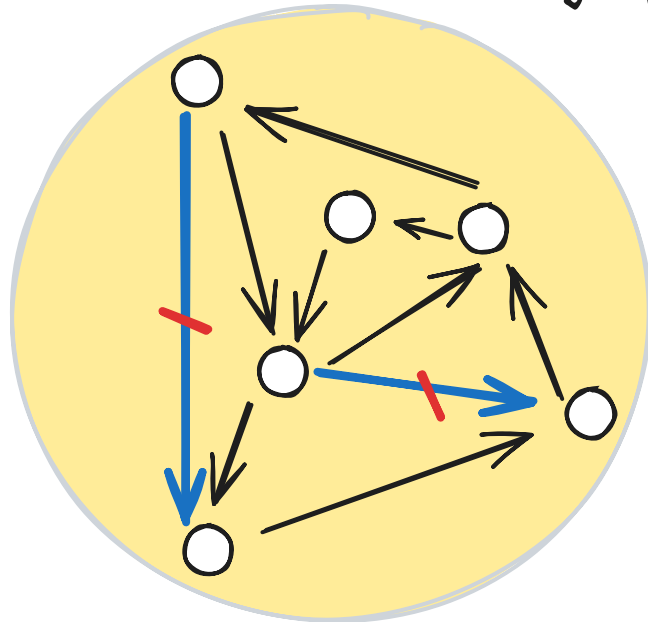


Eulerian graph



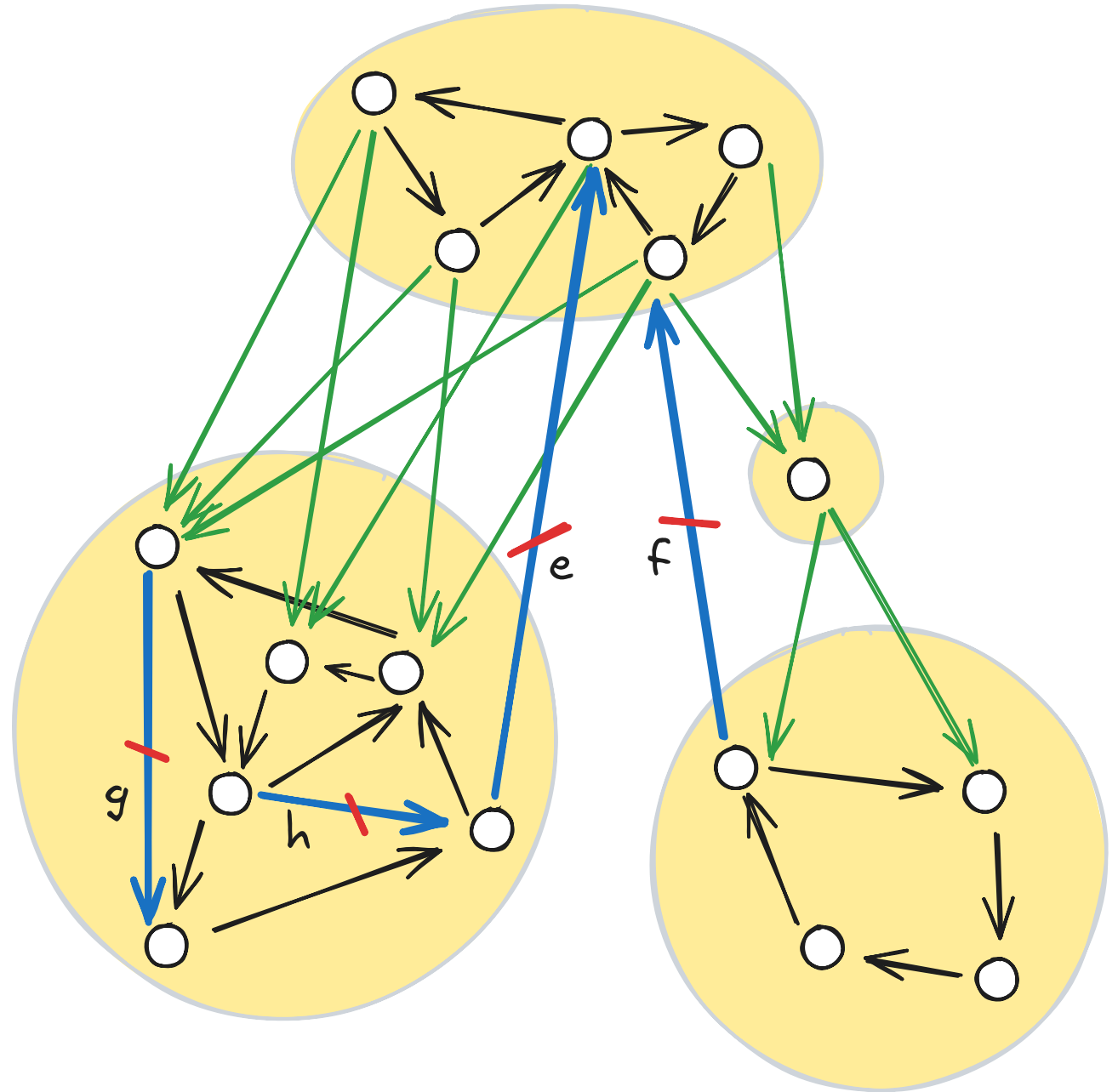
solution size 0

deletion to Eulerian graph



solution size 2

ESCAD



solution size 4

# PREVIOUS WORK

same problem but removing **vertices** instead

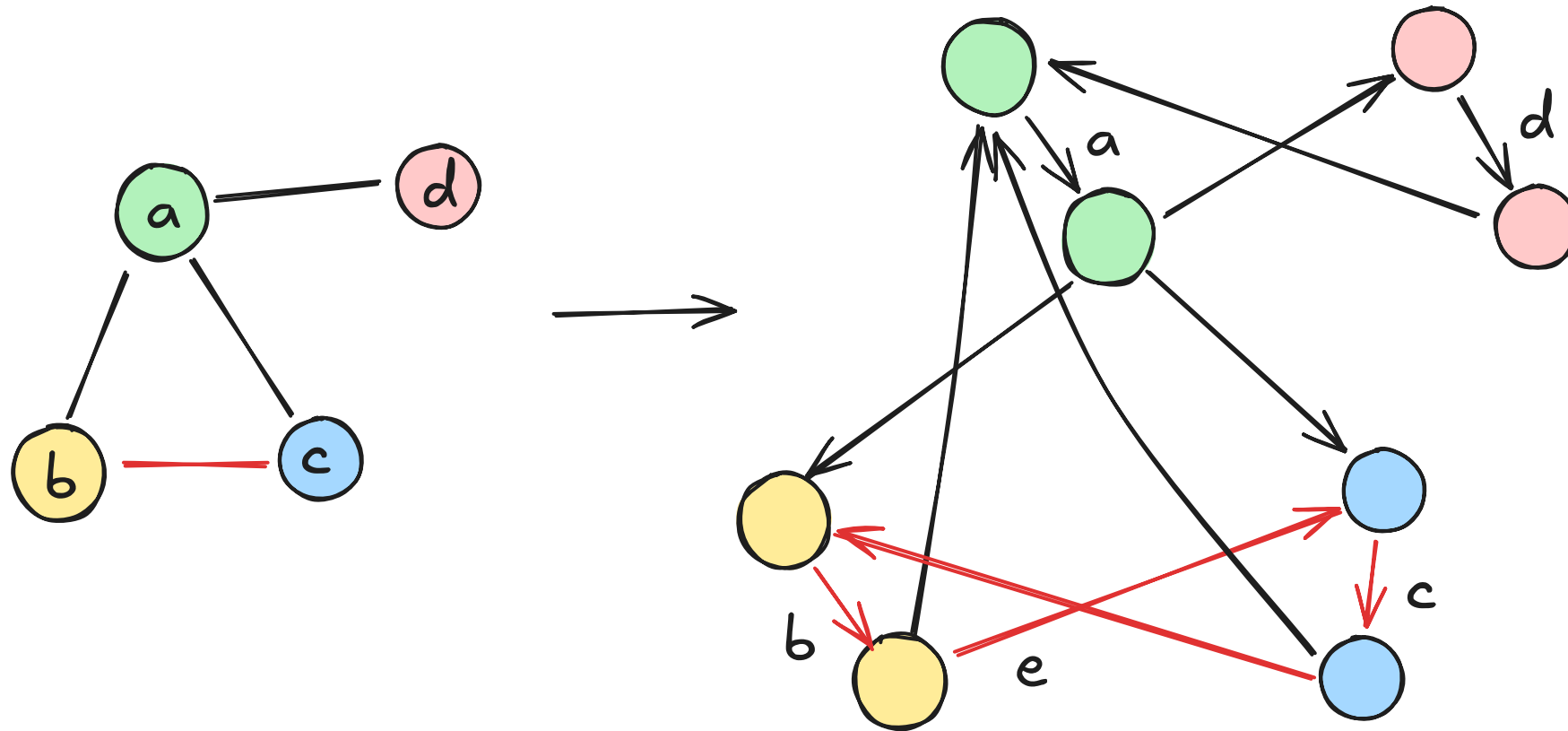
- Göke, Marx, Mnich; *Discret. Optim.* (2022)  
NP-hardness of the vertex deletion variant

requiring  $G - S$  to be Eulerian (balanced + **connected**)

- Cygan, Marx, Pilipczuk, Pilipczuk, Schlotter; *Algorithmica* (2012)  
FPT algorithm for arc deletion to Eulerian graphs
- Goyal, Misra, Panolan, Philip, Saurabh; *J. Comput. Syst. Sci.* (2018)  
single-exponential FPT algorithm arc deletion to Eulerian graphs

# FEEDBACK ARC SET IS NP-HARD

by a reduction from vertex cover



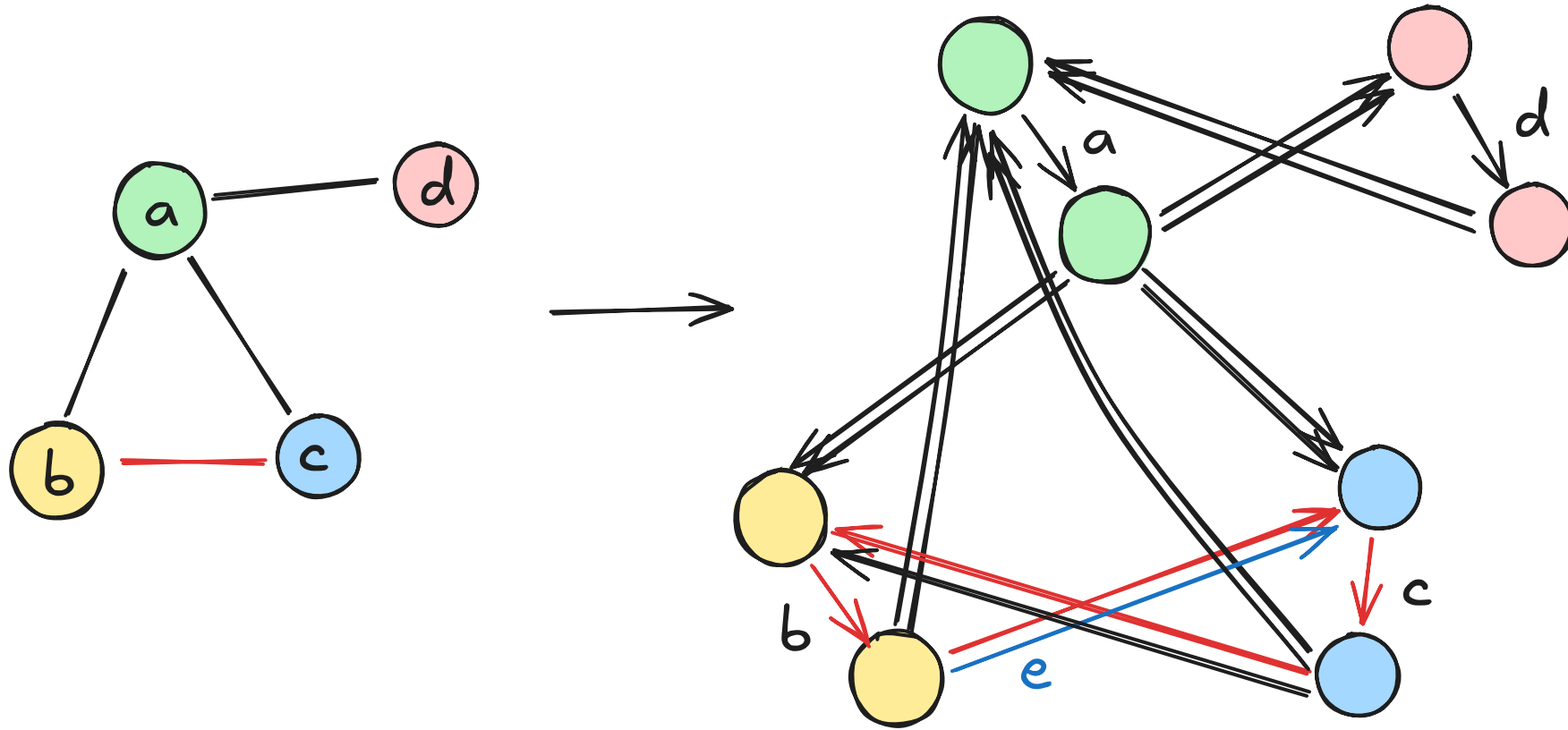
NODE COVER  $\propto$  FEEDBACK ARC SET

$$V = N' \times \{0,1\}$$

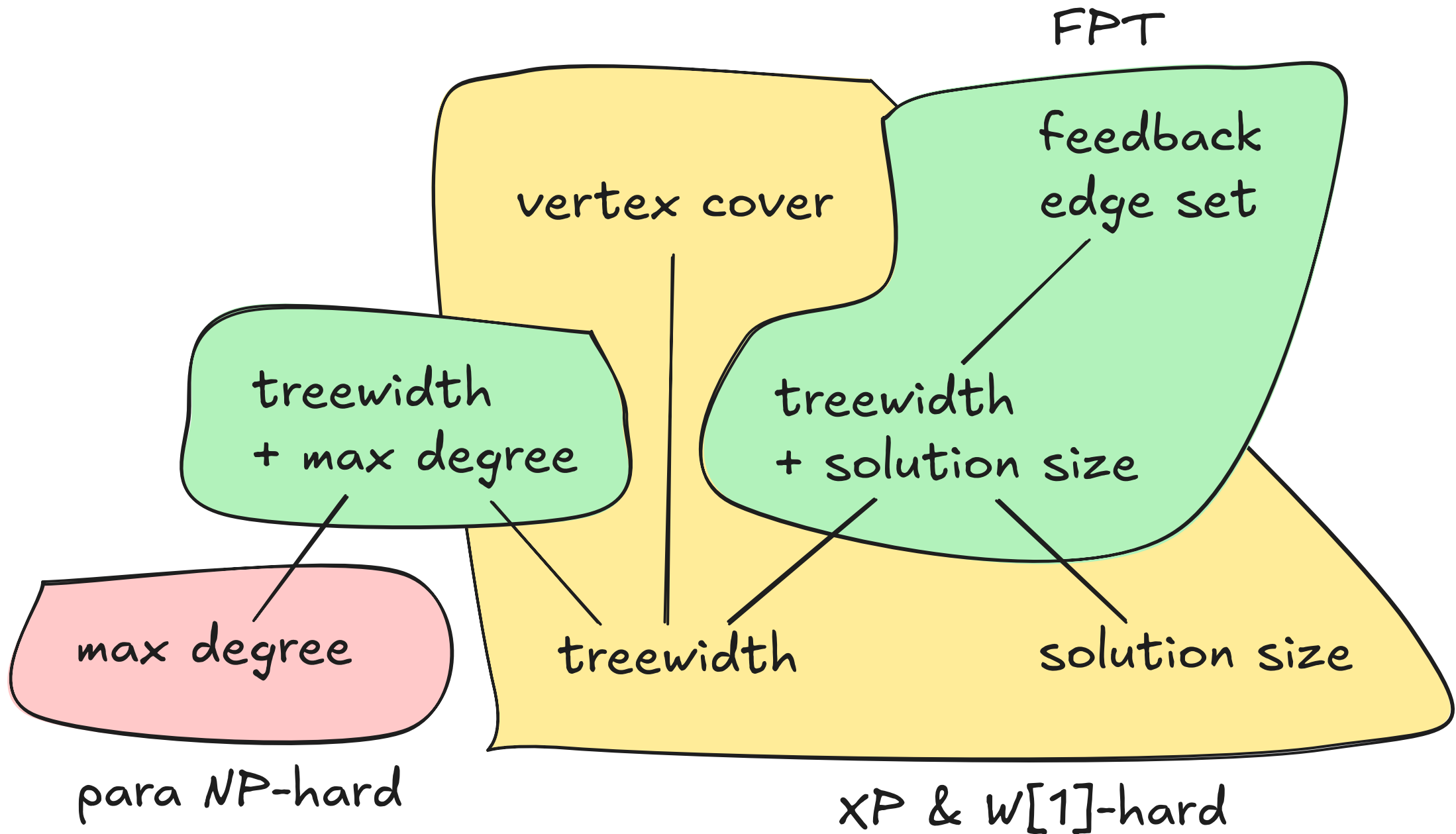
$$E = \{ \langle \langle u,0 \rangle, \langle u,1 \rangle \rangle \mid u \in N' \} \cup \{ \langle \langle u,1 \rangle, \langle v,0 \rangle \rangle \mid \{u,v\} \in A' \}$$

$$k = \ell.$$

# EULERIAN STRONG COMPONENT ARC DELETION IS NP-HARD FOR MAXIMUM DEGREE 7



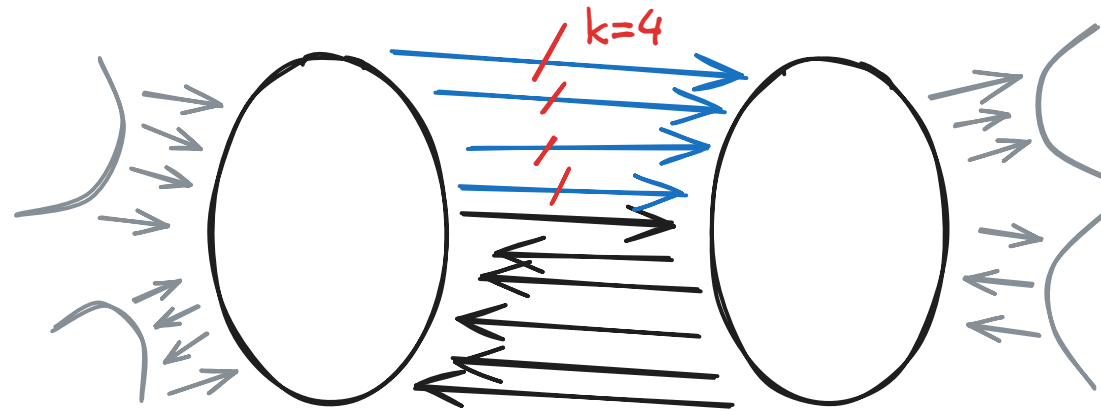
vertex cover is NP-hard for max degree 3



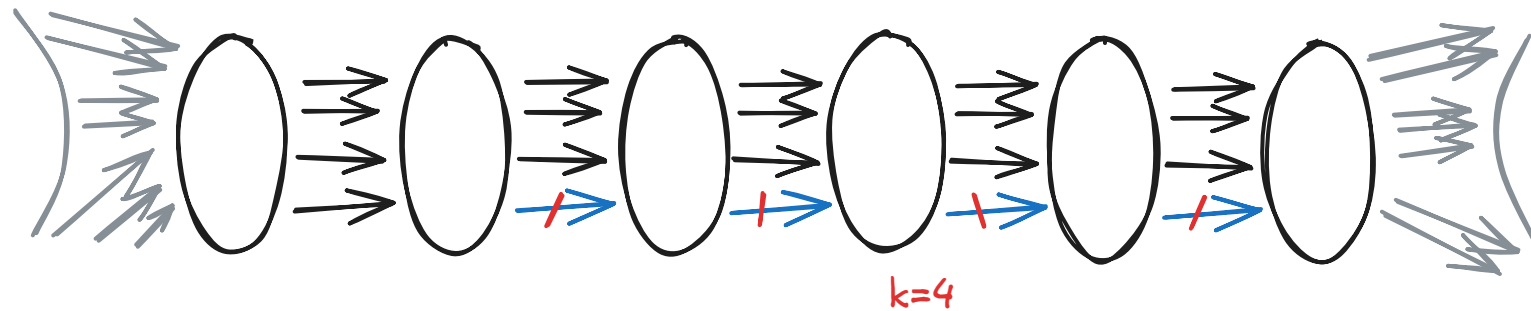
\* parameters of the underlying undirected graph



well connected  $\rightarrow$  unseparable

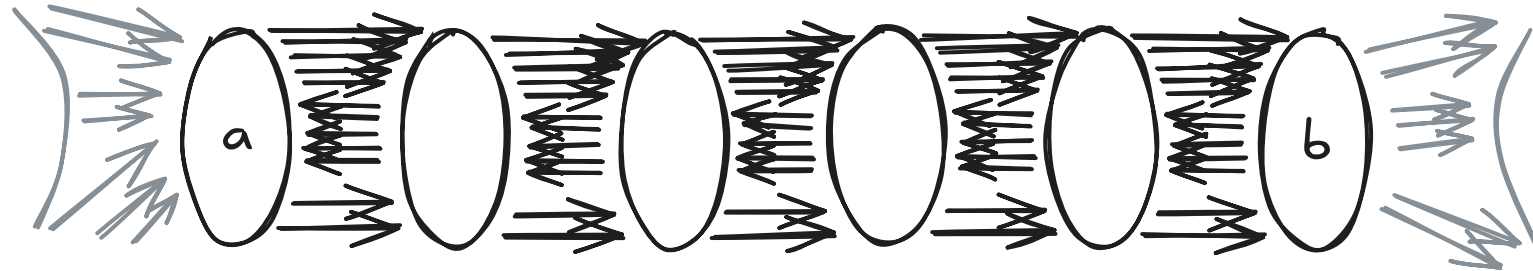


long paths  $\rightarrow$  cannot be thinned



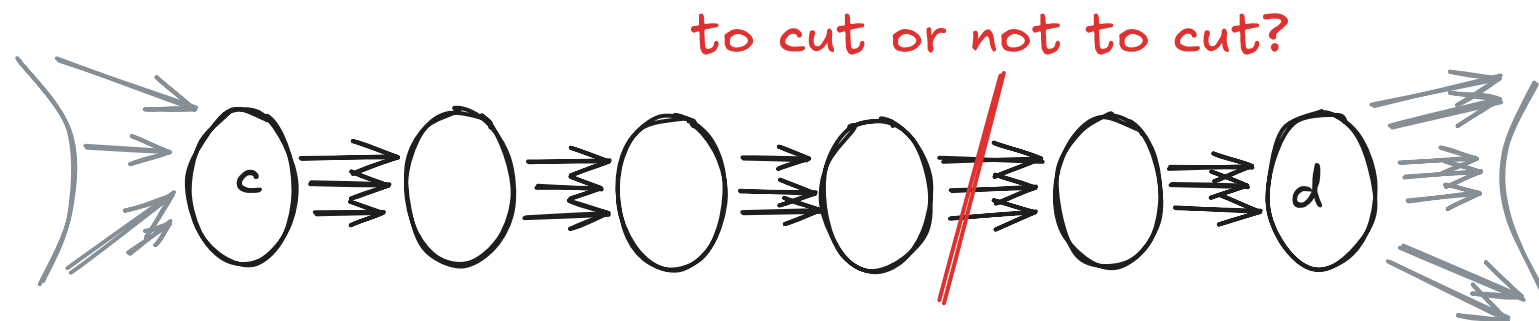
# UNDELETABLE EDGES

solution has none of its edges; creates imbalance

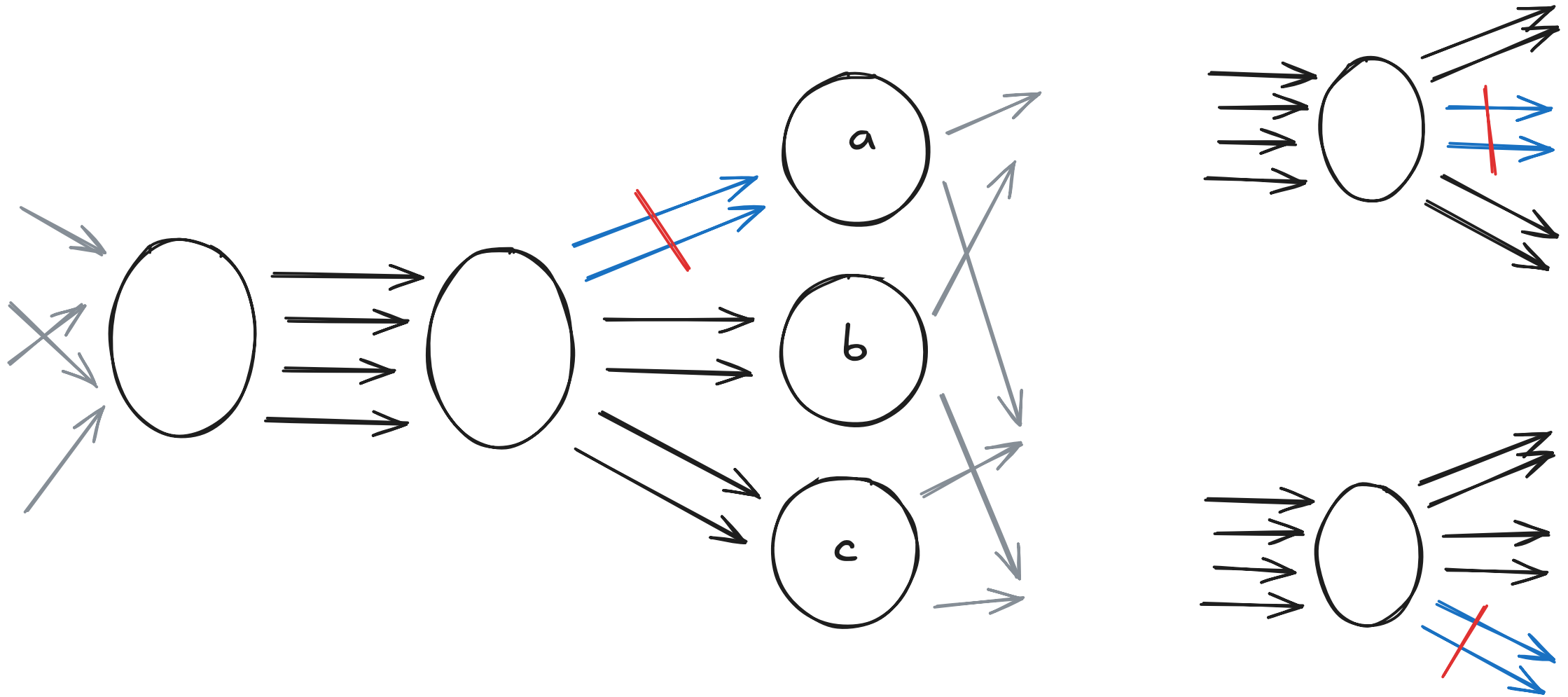


# CUT ALL-OR-NONE EDGES

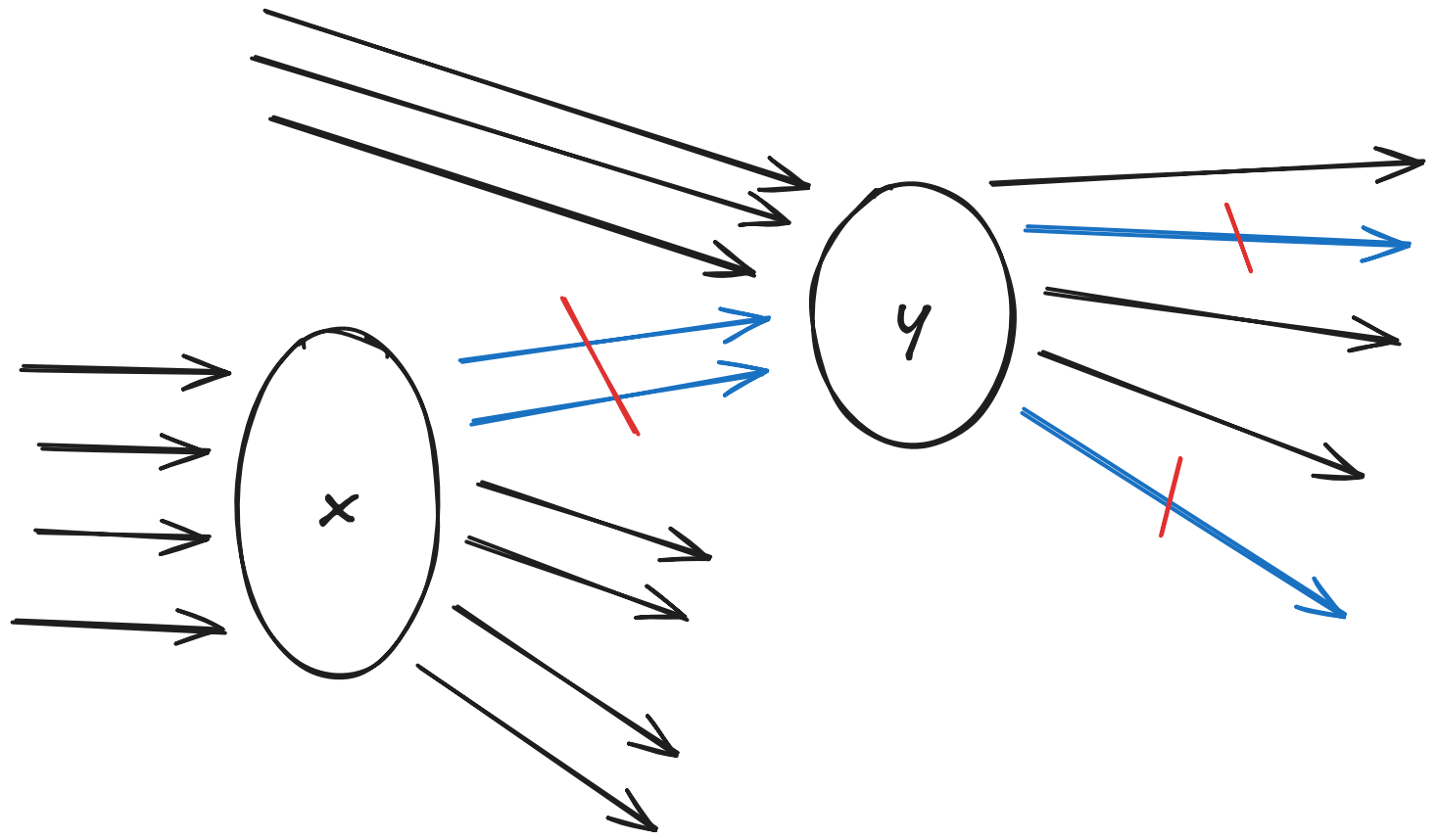
solution can only cut it



# CHOICE GADGET

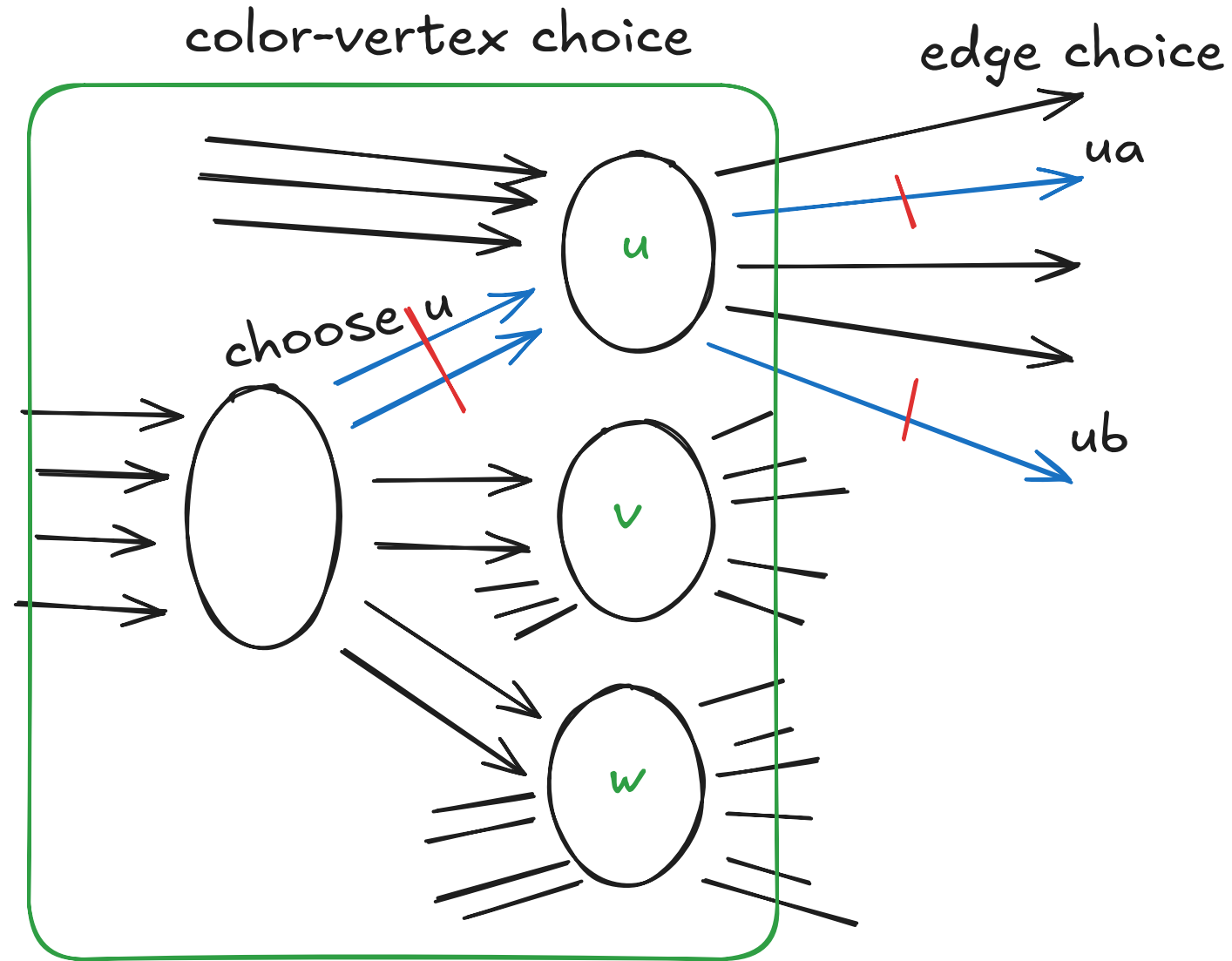


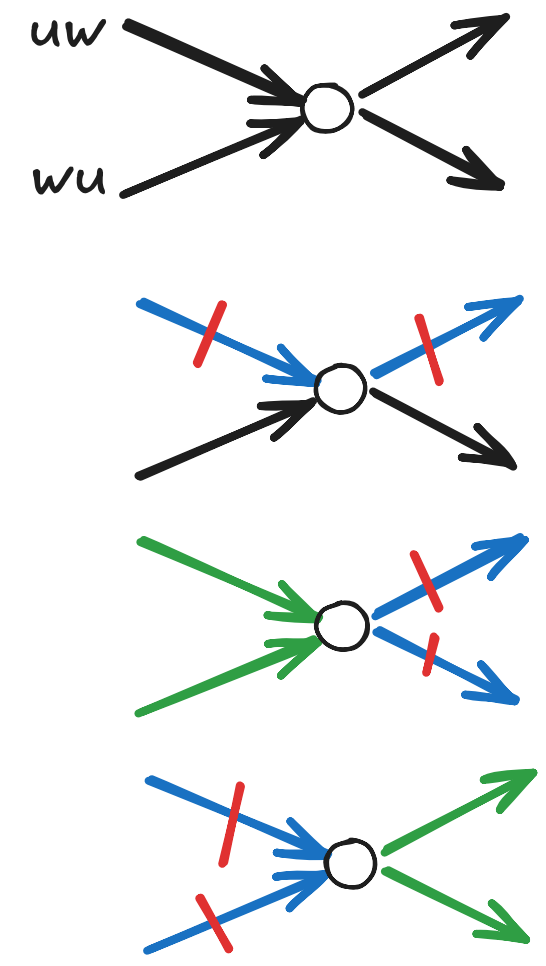
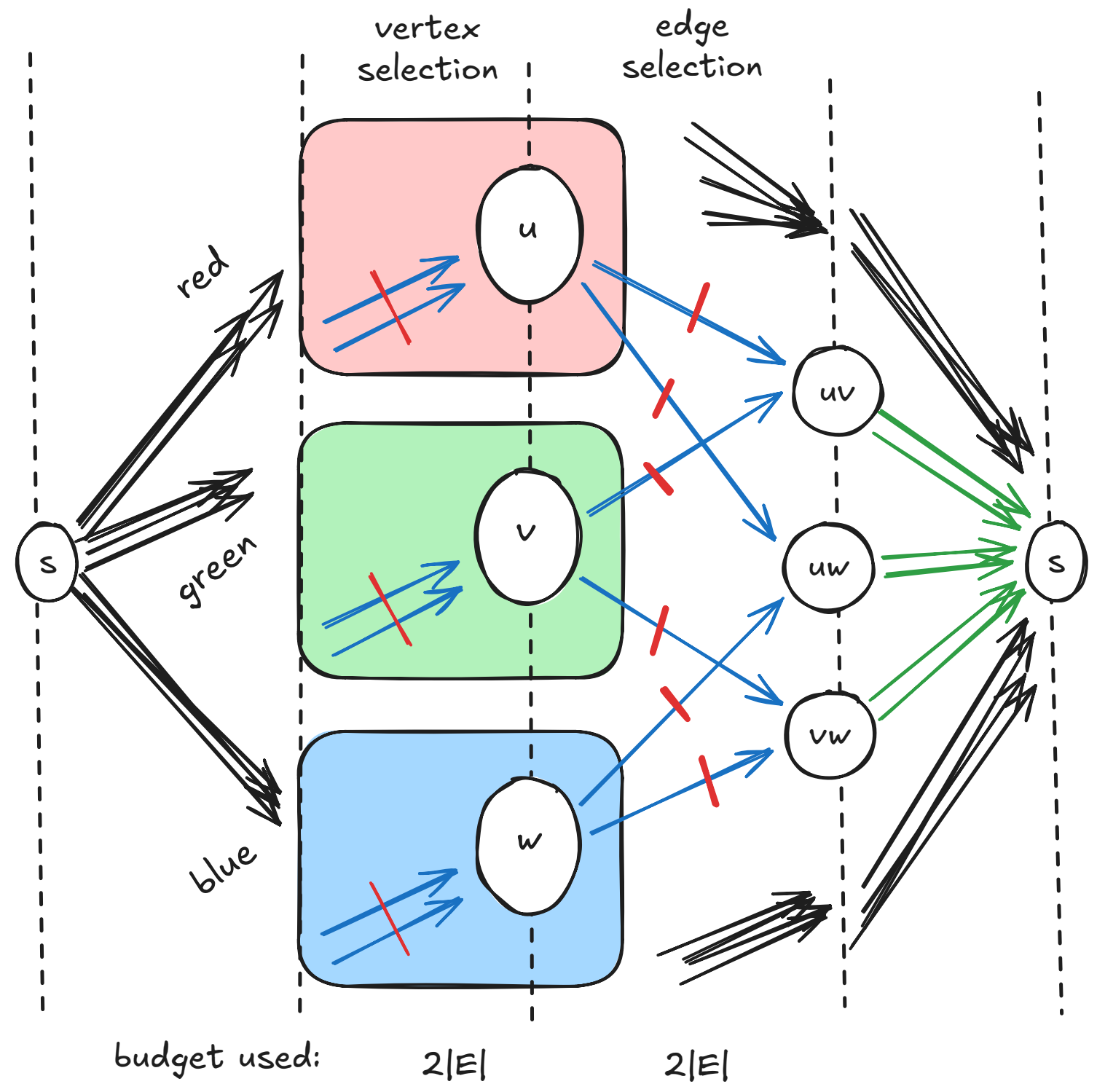
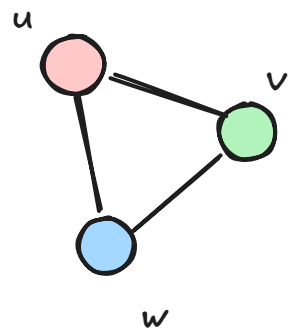
# PROPAGATING CHOICES

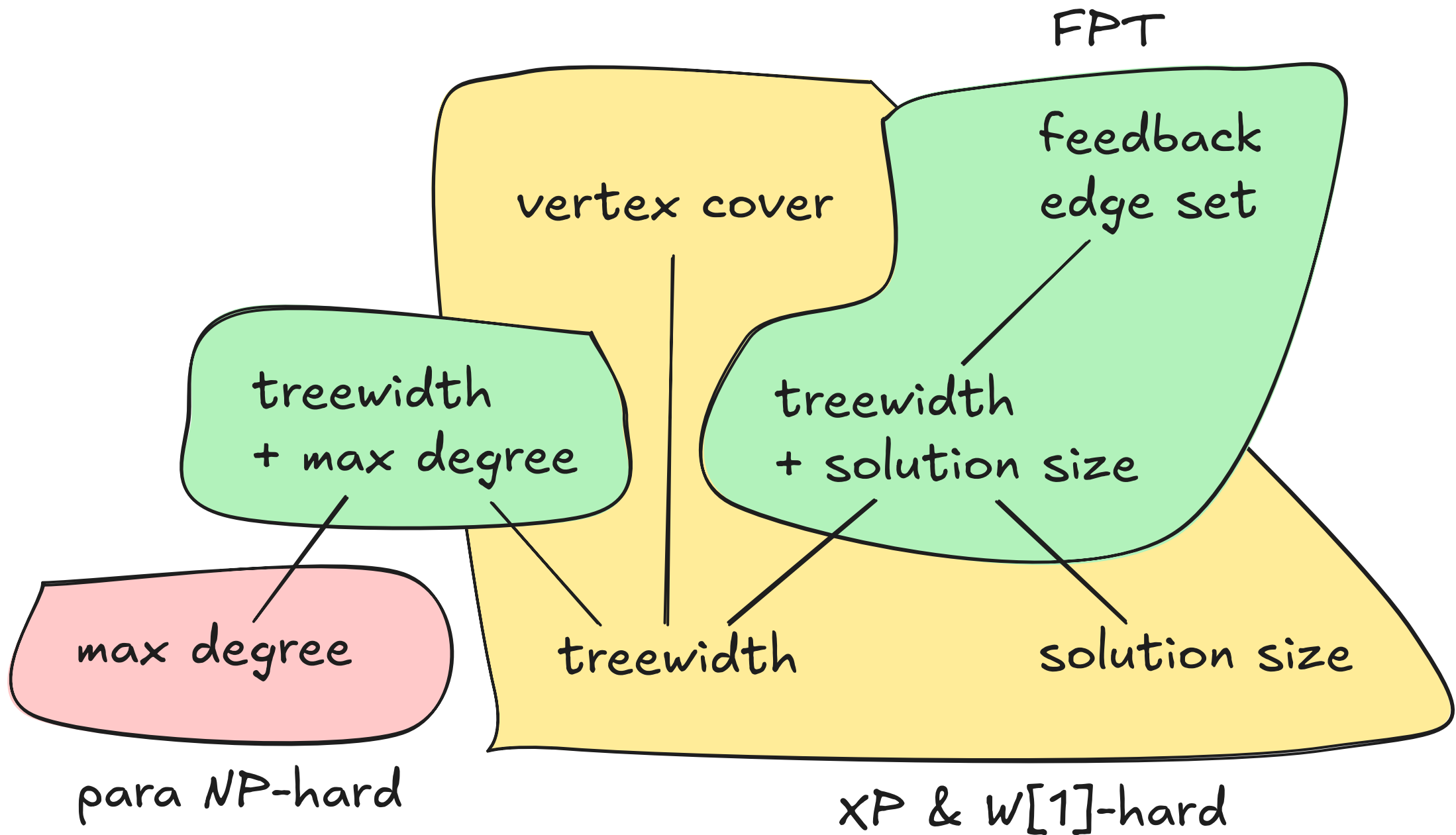


# ESCAD IS $W[1]$ -HARD BY THE SOLUTION SIZE

by a reduction from multicolored clique







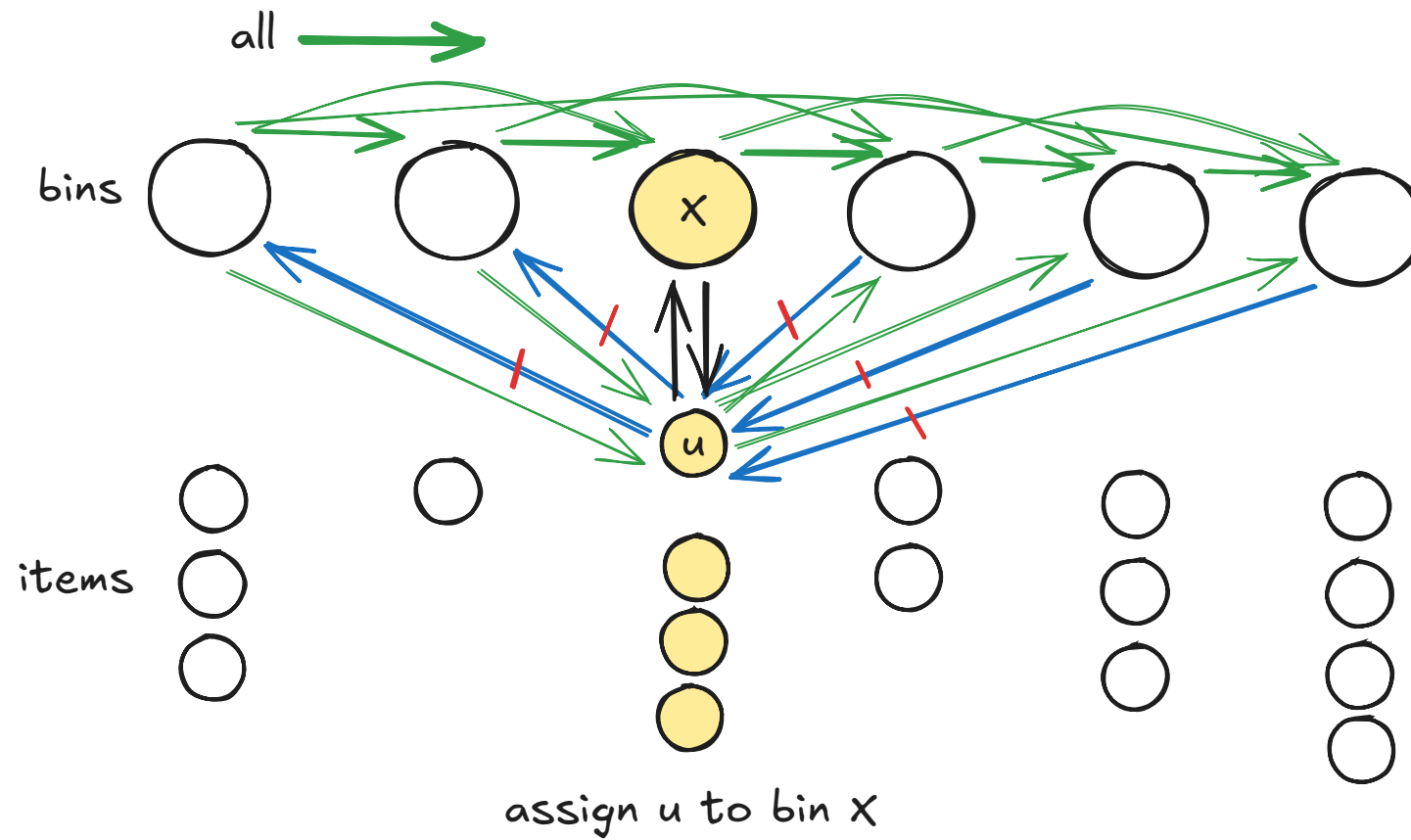
## ESCAD IS $W[1]$ -HARD BY VERTEX COVER

### Unary Bin Packing

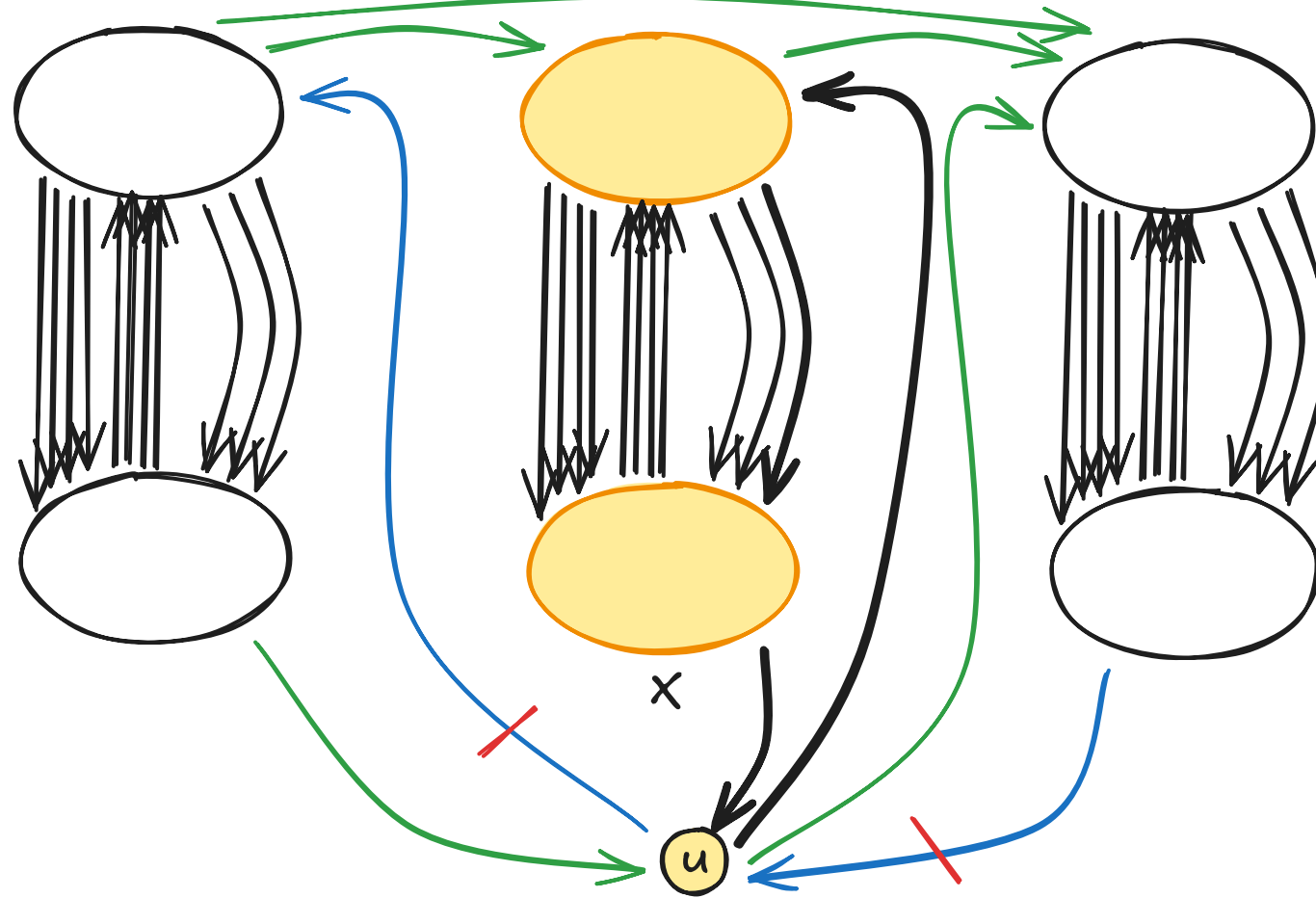
- **input:** A set of positive integer item sizes  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  encoded in unary, a pair of integers  $h$  and  $b$ .
- **output:** Is there a partition of  $[n]$  into  $h$  sets  $J_1, \dots, J_h$  such that  $\sum_{\ell \in J_j} x_\ell \leq b$  for every  $j \in [h]$ ?
- Jansen, Kratsch, Marx, and Schlotter; *Comput. Syst. Sci.*, (2013)  
Unary Bin Packing is  $W[1]$ -hard by the number of bins  $b$

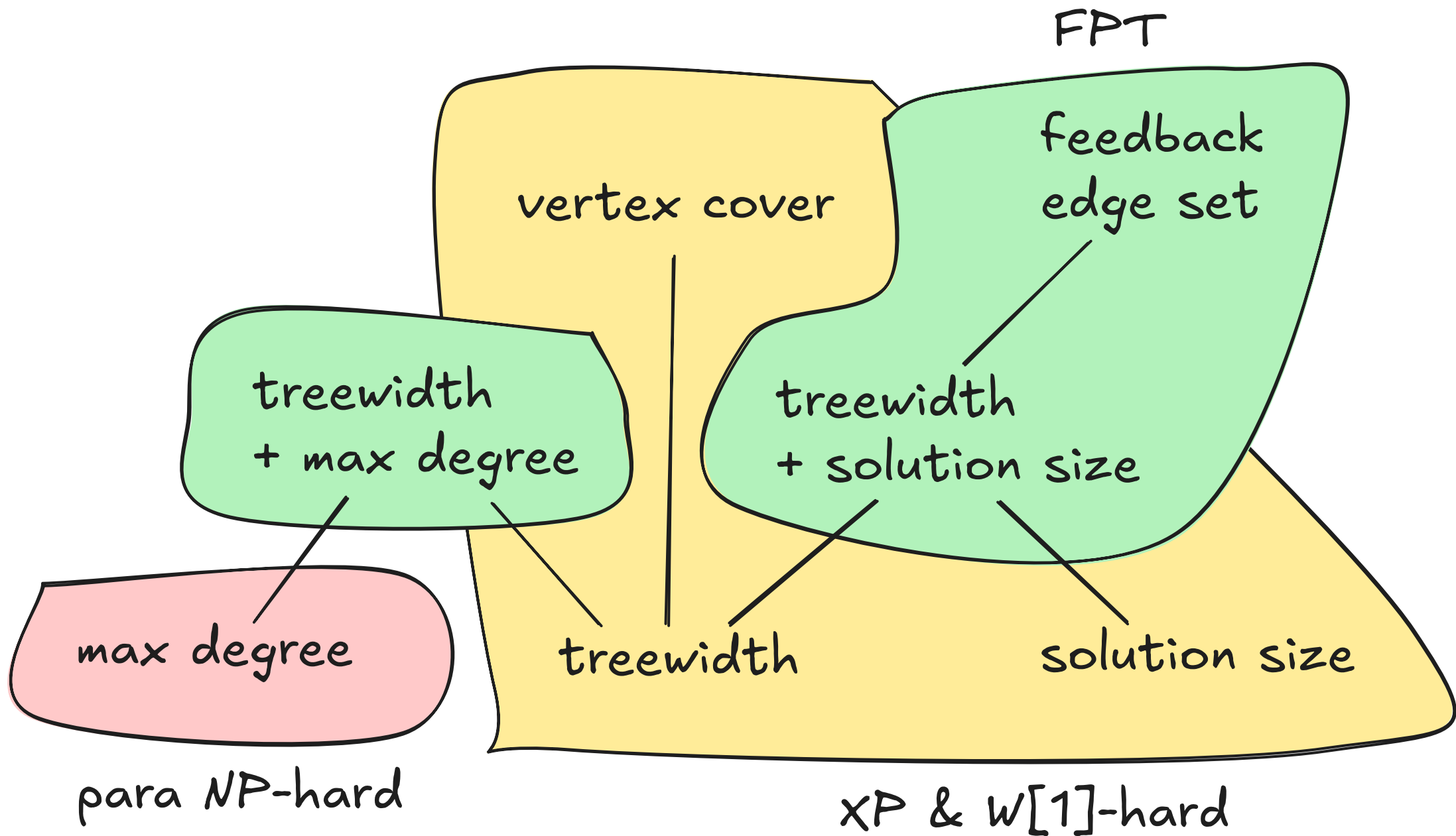


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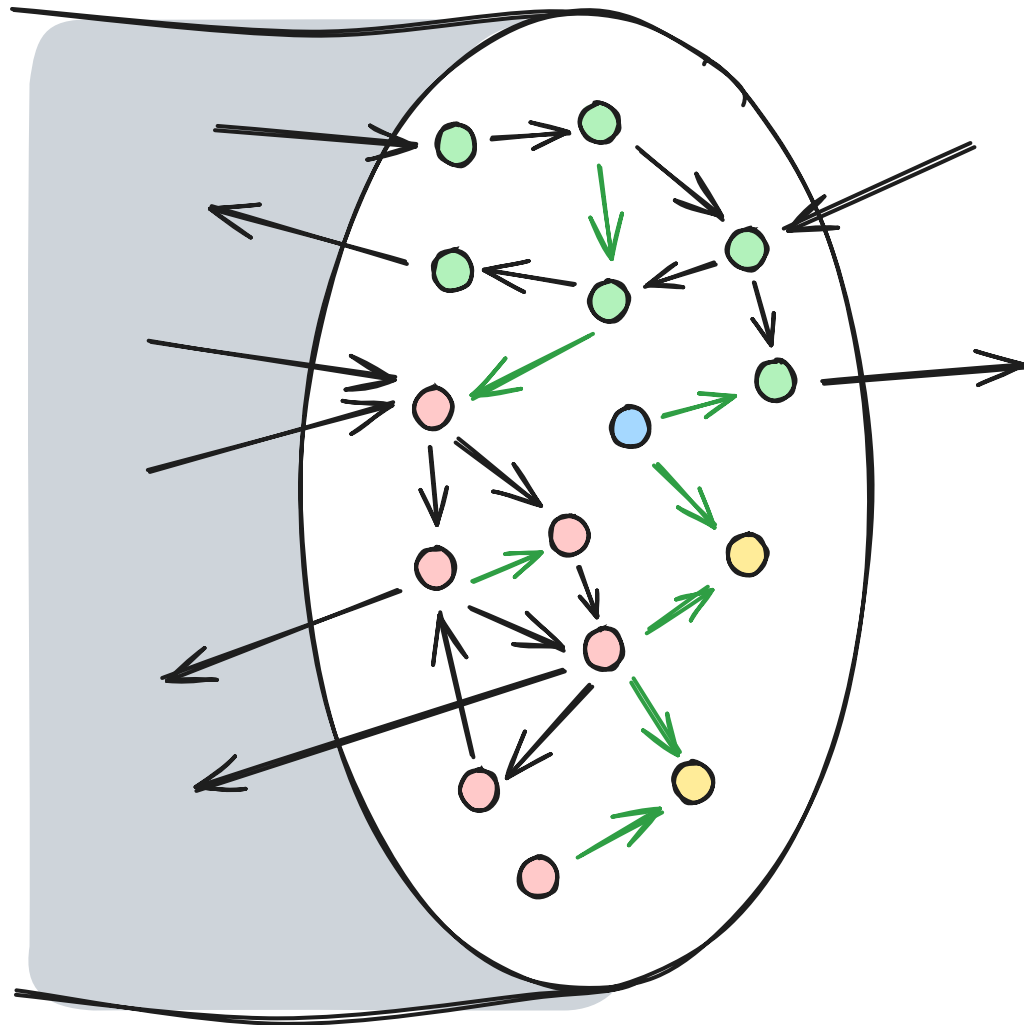


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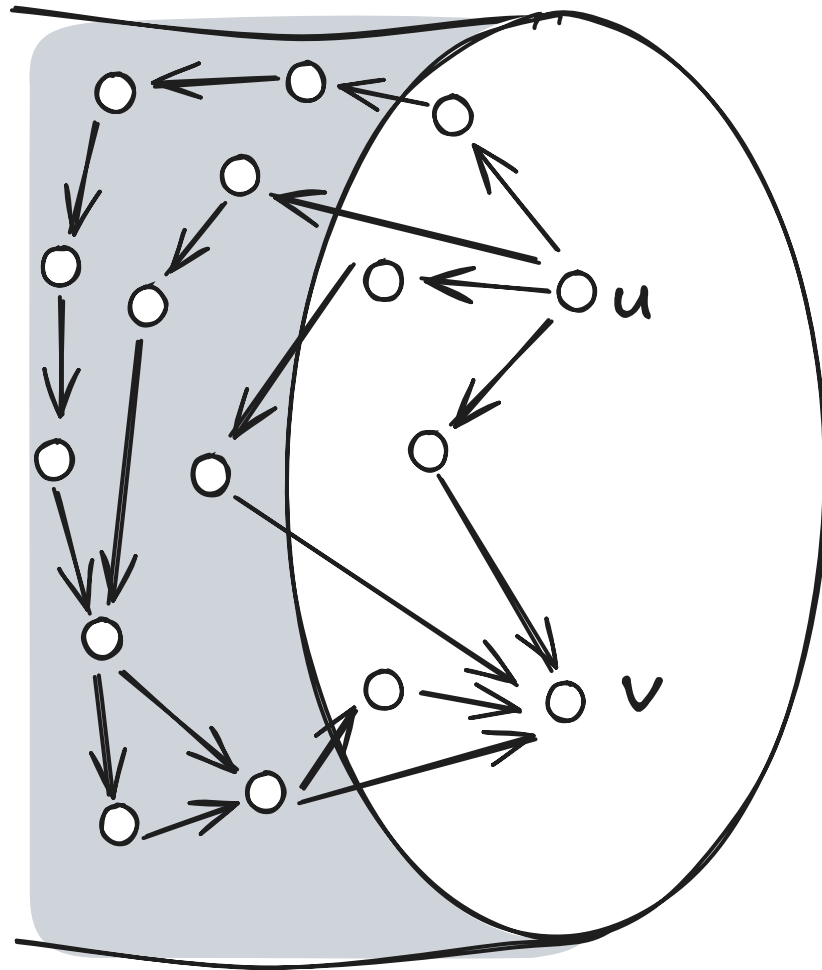
# XP TREEWIDTH DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING ALGORITHM



- state contains:
- reachability among vertices
  - does not exist
  - was realized
  - is realized
  - will be realized
  - complexity  $4^{k^2}$
- vertex balance
  - its in-degree within SCC
  - its out-degree in SCC
  - complexity  $n^k$
- balance  $\leq$  max degree:  $\Delta^k$

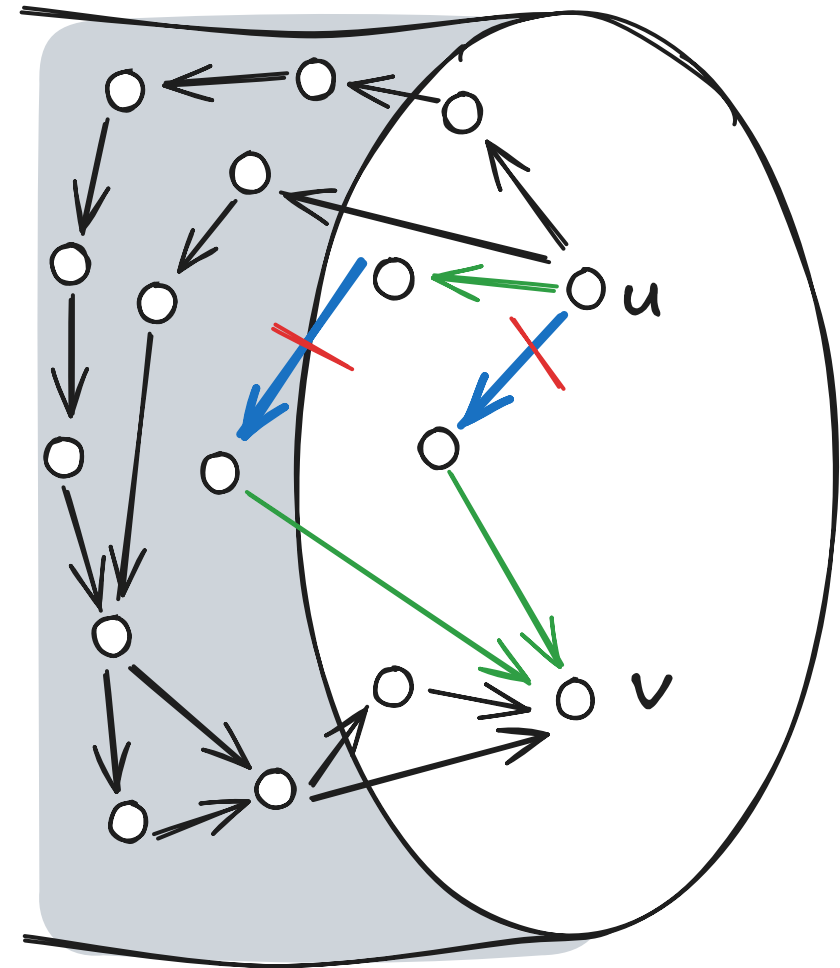
# FPT BY TREEWIDTH + SOLUTION SIZE

input

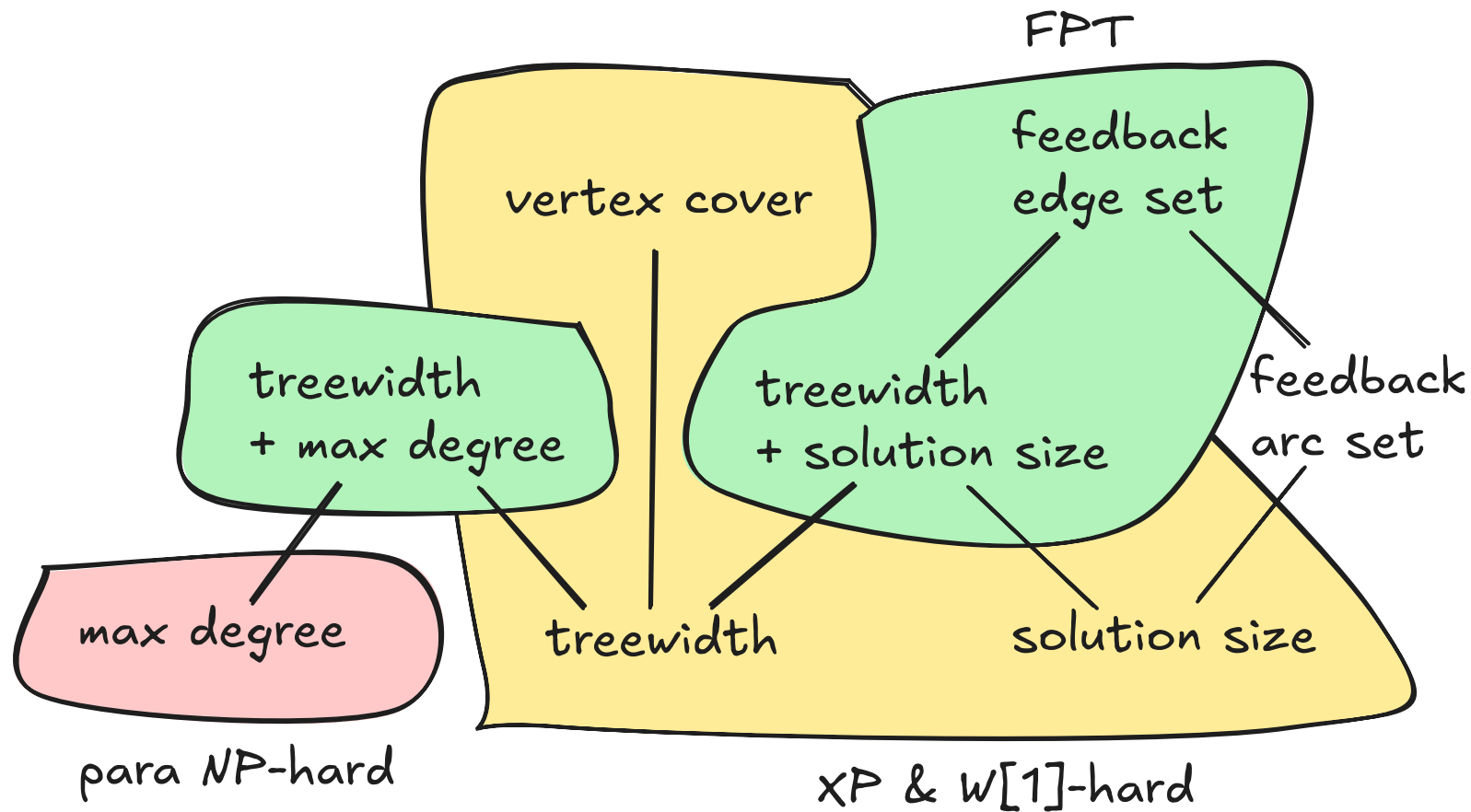


max uv flow at most  $2+k$

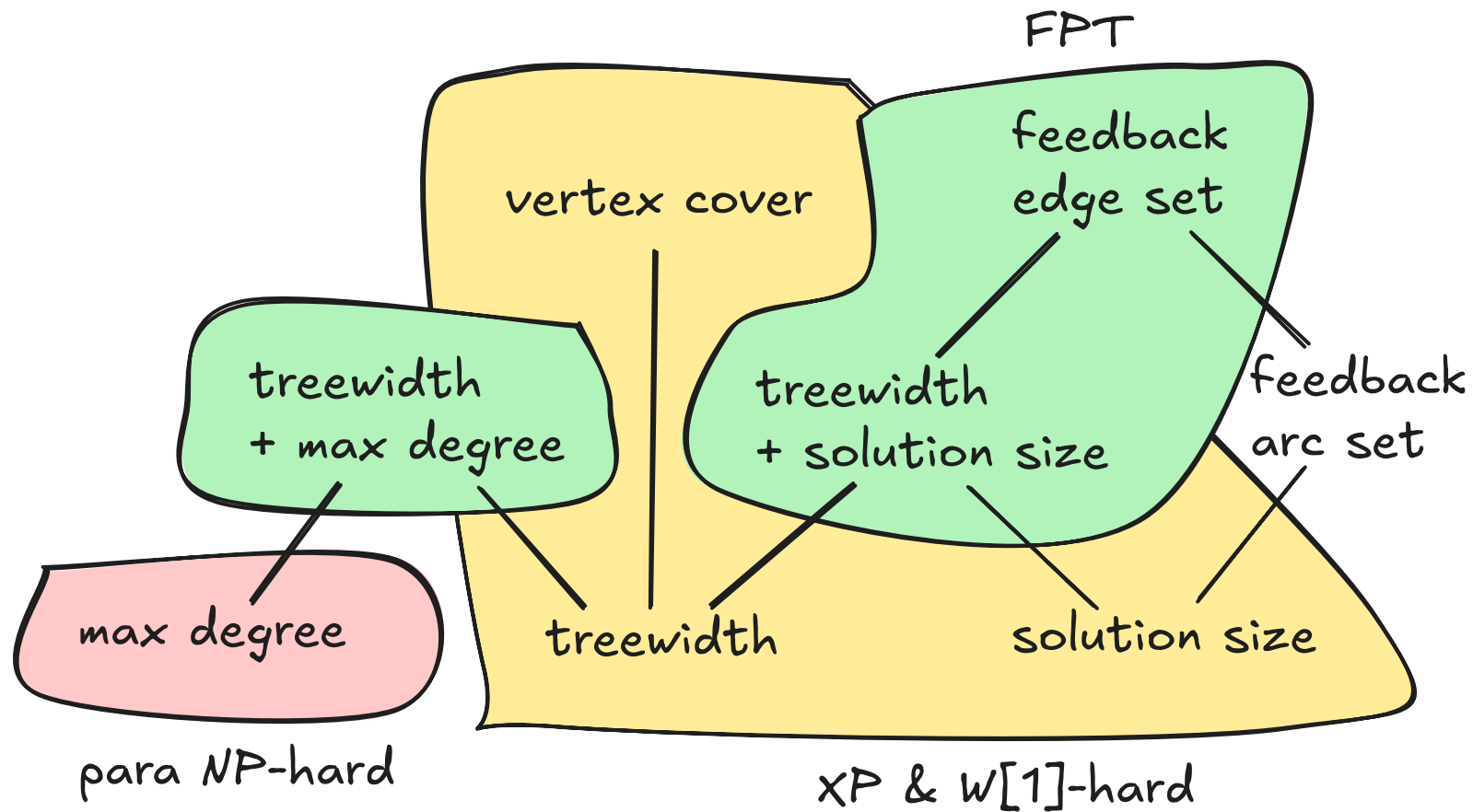
solution



max uv flow is 2



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Thank you!