

# Classic Flag Algebra

Fix a family of graphs  $\mathcal{G}$  and some type  $\sigma$ . Take the vector space  $\mathbb{R}\mathcal{G}^\sigma$ . We then quotient this space by the span of vectors of the form

$$F - \sum_{F' \in \mathcal{G}_n^\sigma} p(F; F') F'$$

where  $n \geq |F|$ . Call this space  $\mathcal{A}^\sigma$ . To turn this space into an algebra we need to define a product: For  $\sigma$ -flags  $F, F'$  define

$$F \cdot F' = \left[ \sum_{H \in \mathcal{G}_n^\sigma} p(F, F'; H) H \right]$$

(where  $[\cdot]$  means the corresponding coset in the quotient space) for any  $n$  large enough s.t.  $F, F'$  fit in a  $\sigma$ -flag of size  $n$ . This turns  $\mathcal{A}^\sigma$  into an algebra after extending bilinearly to the whole space.

We call  $\mathcal{A}^\sigma$  **the (classic) flag algebra of type  $\sigma$** .

## 🕒 Todo

Is the classic algebra associative?

We extend our classic density function to this space bilinearly (in the first argument).

**Lemma:** *Densities in  $\mathcal{A}^\sigma$  are multiplicative in the limit. Meaning for any  $f, g \in \mathcal{A}^\sigma$  and  $\sigma$ -flag  $G$  we have:*

$$p((f \cdot g); G) = p(f; G)p(g; G) + O\left(\frac{1}{|G|}\right).$$

# Local Flag Algebra

Fix a family of graphs  $\mathcal{G}$  and some type  $\sigma$ . Take the vector space  $\mathbb{R}\mathcal{L}^\sigma$ , the span of local  $\sigma$ -flags.

NB: Unlike in the classic flag algebra we do not quotient the space.

## 🕒 Todo

Can we quotient by something? e.g.  $\text{ext}_i^\sigma - \text{ext}_j^\sigma$

Again we need to define a product. We actually adopt the product from classic algebras with 2 minor adjustments:

1. We don't need a coset as we aren't quotienting the space.
2. This means we need to pick a specific value of  $n$ . We choose  $n$  exactly large enough to fit both flags.

**Definition (Local Product):** Let  $F, F' \in \mathcal{L}^\sigma$  be given. Let  $n := |F| + |F'| - |\sigma|$ . Then define

$$F \cdot F' := \sum_{H \in \mathcal{L}_n^\sigma} p(F, F'; H) \cdot H.$$

#### Note

This is  $p$ , the classic density, not  $\rho$ . We've never defined  $\rho$  on more than one input flag.

Extend this product bilinearly to the space  $\mathbb{R}\mathcal{L}^\sigma$  to make it an algebra.

#### Todo

Is this associative?

We hope to achieve multiplicative local density in the limit as  $\Delta \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Lemma:** For fixed  $F, F', G \in \mathcal{L}^\sigma$  we have:

$$\rho(F \cdot F'; G) = \rho(F; G)\rho(F'; G) + O\left(\frac{1}{\Delta}\right).$$

Before proving this we prove a result about embedding pairs of local flags into larger flags.

**Lemma:** If  $F, F'$  are local  $\sigma$ -flags and  $G$  is a  $\sigma$ -flag of size  $n = |F| + |F'| - |\sigma|$  such that  $p(F, F'; G) > 0$  then  $G$  is also a local  $\sigma$ -flag.

*Proof:*

Let  $\theta, \theta'$  be the  $\sigma$  embeddings for  $F, F'$  and  $\eta$  the  $\sigma$  embedding for  $G$ .

To prove  $G$  is a local flag we first need to show that  $\rho(G; \cdot)$  is a bounded function. i.e.  $c(G; \cdot) \in O(\Delta^{|G| - |\sigma|})$ .

As  $p(F, F'; G) > 0$  there is some  $U, U' \subseteq V(G)$  such that  $U \cap U' = \text{im } \eta$  and  $F \cong G[U] \wedge F' \cong G[U']$  as  $\sigma$  flags.

Let  $(H, \zeta)$  be another  $\sigma$ -flag. If  $c(G; H) = 0$  we're done so assume otherwise and let  $\text{im } \zeta \subseteq V \subseteq V(H)$  be such that  $G \cong H[V]$  as  $\sigma$ -flags. In particular then this isomorphism  $\phi$  induces an embedding of  $U, U'$  into  $V(H)$  such that  $\text{im } \eta = \zeta(U) \cap \zeta(U')$  and  $H[\zeta(U)] \cong F \wedge H[\zeta(U')] \cong F'$  as  $\sigma$ -flags. Hence any choice of an instance of  $G$  in  $H$  and choice of instances  $U, U'$  of  $F, F'$  in  $G$  gives rise to a pair of instances of  $F$  and  $F'$  in  $H$ . There are at most some constant number  $C$  instances of  $F, F'$  in  $G$  (as the size of  $G$  is fixed).

Note then also that any choice of a pair of instances of  $F, F'$  in  $H$  can be derived from at most 1 instance of  $G$ , as the size of  $G$  was chosen to be the minimum possible such that both  $F, F'$  fit. If the two instances overlap (outside of the required intersection at  $\text{im } \zeta$ ) then they don't correspond to an instance of  $G$ . If they don't overlap then their union corresponds to a single possible instance of  $G$ .

In summary each instance of  $G$  gives rise to some non-zero but bounded number of pairs of instances of  $F, F'$  in  $H$ , and each pair of instances is induced by at most 1 instance of  $G$ . Therefore  $c(G; H) \leq \frac{1}{C} \cdot c(F; H) \cdot c(F'; H)$ .  $c(F; \cdot)$  and  $c(F', \cdot)$  are  $\in O(\Delta^{|F| - |\sigma|})$

and  $\in O(\Delta^{|F'| - |\sigma|})$  respectively as  $F, F'$  are local flags hence their product is  $\in O(\Delta^{|F| + |F'| - 2|\sigma|}) = O(\Delta^{|G| - |\sigma|})$  so  $c(G, \cdot) \in O(\Delta^{|G| - |\sigma|})$  showing  $\rho(G, \cdot)$  is a bounded function as required.

#### 🕒 Todo

Remains to prove that  $G$  still has bounded density after fixing any unlabelled vertices. This might not be needed though if we prove that this property is always implied by the bounded property.

(■)

The value of this lemma is that it tells us that our sum over local flags in the definition of the product does include all flags for which  $F, F'$  can be embedded.