## Combinatorics

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## Lecture 20: Quasi-Random Graphs (3)

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We complete the proof from last time.

*Proof.* Take m values  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m$  and let  $\overline{x}$  be their arithmetic mean. Then, recall that  $\sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \overline{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i^2 - n\overline{x}^2$  This is simply the definition of variance.

Then, letting  $m = \binom{n}{2}$ ,  $\hat{d}_{ij} = x_k$  and the mean codegree to be  $\operatorname{mcd} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{2}} \sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \hat{d}_{ij} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{8} n^3 + o\left(n^3\right) \right) = \frac{n}{4} + o\left(n\right)$ . Then, we have

$$\sum_{1 \le i,j \le n} \left( \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right)^2 = \sum_{1 \le i,j \le n} \hat{d}_{ij}^2 - \binom{n}{2} \operatorname{mcd}$$
$$= \frac{1}{32} n^4 + o\left(n^4\right) - \frac{1}{32} n^4 + o\left(n^4\right)$$
$$= o\left(n^4\right).$$

Hence, we obtain  $\sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \left( \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right)^2 = o\left(n^4\right)$ . Then, letting  $y_i = \left| \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right|$  we see by cauchy shwartz that  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}$ , hence  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq \sqrt{m \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}$ . Hence, we have  $\sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \left| \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right| \leq \sqrt{\binom{n}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \left( \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right)^2} = o\left(n^3\right)$ . Hence,

$$\sum_{1 \le i,j \le 2} \left| \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right| = o\left(n^3\right).$$

Then triangle inequality yields

$$\sum_{1 \le i,j \le n} \left| \hat{d}_{ij} - \frac{n}{4} \right| \le \sum_{1 \le i,j \le n} \left| \hat{d}_{ij} - \operatorname{mcd} \right| + \left| \operatorname{mcd} - \frac{n}{4} \right|$$

$$= o(n^{3}) + o(n^{3})$$

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Now, we proceed to prove some more implications, but first we state a lemma.

**Lemma 0.1.** Let  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$  be an orthornormal basis with associated eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n$ . Then for  $j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \ldots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , we find  $|x_1 - j|_2 = o(1)$ .

*Proof.*  $(P_3 \Rightarrow P_5)$ . Let  $x_1$  be a unit eigenvector of G corresponding to  $\lambda_1$ . Then, let  $j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then by lemma we have  $|x_1 - j|_2 = o(1)$ .

## Lecture 21: Quasi-Random Graphs (4)

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We complete the proof from last time. Recall our lemma that for orthornormal basis containing  $x_1$  we have  $|x_1 - j|_2 = o(1)$ . We proceed

*Proof.* WLOG assume G to be a random graph of even order and  $|S| = \frac{n}{2}$ . Then,

we define a vector  $\vec{S}$  with  $s_i = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, & i \in S \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, & i \in V \setminus S \end{array} \right.$  It is clear  $|S|_2 = 1$  and we see

$$\langle S, j \rangle = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}}_{\frac{n}{n} \text{ times}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{-\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}}_{\frac{n}{n} \text{ times}} = 0.$$

Then, we note  $\langle S, x_1 \rangle = \langle S, j \rangle + \langle S, x_1 - j \rangle = \langle S, x_1 - j \rangle$  and applying cauchy-shwartz yields

$$\langle S, x_1 \rangle = \langle S, x_1 - j \rangle \le |S|_2 |x_1 - j|_2 = 1 \cdot o(1) = o(1).$$

Now, define  $Z = S - \langle S, x_1 \rangle x_1$ ). Then, we see

$$\langle Z, x_1 \rangle = \langle S, x_1 \rangle - \langle S, x_1 \rangle |x_1|_2^2 = 0.$$

So, Z is orthogonal to  $x_1$ . Hence, there is a n-1 dimensional space, M, generated by  $x_2, \ldots, x_n$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_n$  with largest eigenvalue  $\max\{\lambda_2, |\lambda_n|\}$ . Then, we find by the rayleigh quotient that  $|\langle Ay, y \rangle| \leq \lambda_1 (M) |y|_2^2 = \sigma_2 |y|_2^2$  for all  $y \in M$ . Similarly, we find

$$\lambda_n |y|_2^2 \le \langle Ay, y \rangle \le \lambda_2 |y|_2^2$$

for all  $y\in M$ . From this we get  $\lambda_n |Z|_2^2 |\langle AZ,Z\rangle| \leq \lambda_2 |Z|_2^2$ , and recalling  $|Z|_2 \leq |S|_2 + |\langle S,x_1\rangle| \, |x_1|_2 = 1 + o\,(1)\,1 \leq 2$ 

$$|\langle AZ, Z \rangle| \le \sigma_2 |Z|_2^2 \le \sigma_2 |2|_2^2 = 4\sigma_2 = o(n).$$

Finally, we see

$$\begin{split} \langle AS,S\rangle &= \langle A\left(Z+\langle S,x_1\rangle\,x_1\right),Z+\langle S,x_1\rangle\,x_1\rangle \\ &=\underbrace{\langle AZ,Z\rangle}_{o(n)} +\underbrace{\langle S,x_1\rangle}_{o(1)}\underbrace{\langle AZ,x_1\rangle}_{=0} +\underbrace{\langle S,x_1\rangle}_{o(1)}\underbrace{\langle Ax_1,Z\rangle}_{0} +\underbrace{\langle S,x_1\rangle^2}_{o(1)}\langle Ax_1,x_1\rangle \\ &= o\left(n\right)+\langle S,x_1\rangle^2\,\langle Ax_1,x_1\rangle \\ &= o\left(n\right)+\lambda_1 \\ &= o\left(n^2\right) \end{split}$$

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Recall we also know

$$\langle AS, S \rangle = 2e(S) + 2e(G \setminus S) - 2e(S, G \setminus S).$$

and  $2e\left(S\right)+2e\left(G\setminus S\right)+2e\left(S,G\setminus S\right)=e\left(G\right)\geq\frac{1}{4}n^2+o\left(n^2\right)$ . Then, adding and dividing yields these identities yields  $e\left(S\right)+e\left(G\setminus S\right)=\frac{n^2}{8}+o\left(n^2\right)$ . Furthermore,  $\sum_{i\in S}d_i==\frac{n^2}{4}+o\left(n^2\right)2e\left(S\right)+e\left(S,G\setminus S\right)$  and  $\sum_{i\in G\setminus S}d_i=\frac{n^2}{4}+o\left(n^2\right)=2e\left(G\setminus S\right)+e\left(S,G\setminus S\right)$ . Adding all of the identities thus far yields that  $2e\left(S\right)-2e\left(G\setminus S\right)=o\left(n^2\right)$ , hence  $e\left(S\right)=\frac{1}{16}n^2+o\left(n^2\right)$ .

We are nearing the end of quasi-random graphs, but note we have always assumed a quasi-random graph to have density  $\frac{1}{2}$ . These properties are easily generalized to one of density p. We list the generalized properties.

**Definition 0.1.** 1.  $(P_2)$ . A graph is  $P_2$  if

- $e(G) \ge \frac{pn^2}{2} + o(n^2)$
- $\#CW_4 \le p^4 n^4 + o(n^4)$ .
- 2.  $(P_3)$ . A graph is  $P_3$  if
  - $e(G) \ge \frac{pn^2}{2} + o(n^2)$
  - $\lambda_1(G) = pn + o(n)$
  - $\sigma_2(G) = o(n)$ .
- 3.  $(P_7)$  . A graph is  $P_7$  if
  - $\sum_{1 \le i,j \le n} \left| \hat{d}_{ij} p^2 n \right| = o(n^2)$ .