

# Combinatorics

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### Lecture 24

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I originally missed this class.

### Lecture 23: Quasi-Random Graphs (6)

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We prove the preservation of Regularity and Quasi-Randomness and provide a counterexample for SRG from last time.

*Proof.* First, we prove regularity. If  $G$  is  $k$ -regular, then we see all rowsums are  $k$ . Hence, we find all row sums of  $G'$  to  $2k$ , so  $G'$  is  $2k$ -regular.

For quasi-randomness, denote our adjacency matrix of  $G'$  to be  $B = J_2 \otimes A$  and recall the eigenvalues of this product are simply the products of the eigenvalues of the factors. Hence, our eigenvalues are  $2\lambda_1, 2\lambda_2, \dots, 2\lambda_n, 0, \dots, 0$ . Furthermore, as  $G$  is quasi-random, we have that  $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}n + o(n)$  and  $|\lambda_i| = o(n)$  for  $n \geq 2$ . Applying this yields  $2\lambda_1 = n + o(n)$  and  $|2\lambda_i| = o(n)$ ,  $i \geq 2$ . Hence,  $G'$  is quasirandom.  $\square$

**Remark.** In general  $J_i \otimes A$  preserves regularity and quasi-randomness of  $A$  by the same argument.

**Proposition 0.1.** If  $G, H$  are quasi-random graphs with adjacency matrices  $A, B$  we have  $A \otimes B$  induces a quasi-random graph.

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  be the eigenvalues of  $G$  and  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n$  to be the eigenvalues of  $H$ . Then, the eigenvalues of  $A \otimes B$  would have eigenvalues  $\lambda_i \mu_j$  and we see  $\lambda_1 \mu_1$  is the largest eigenvalue. For the second largest (in magnitude) eigenvalues, we see there are four potential candidates,  $\lambda_1 \mu_2, \lambda_1 \mu_n, \mu_1 \lambda_2, \mu_1 \lambda_n$ . Then, we know  $\lambda_1 \leq n - 1$  and  $\mu_2 = o(m)$ , hence  $|\lambda_1 \mu_2| = o(nm)$ . Similar constructions follow for the other candidates to prove that  $G \otimes H$  is in fact quasi-random.  $\square$

**Proposition 0.2.** Let  $A_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq k$  be the adjacency matrices of quasi-random graphs of order  $n$  and  $e(A_{ij}) = \frac{1}{4}n^2 + o(n^2)$  with  $A_{ij} = A_{ji}$ . We arrange these matrices in a  $kn \times kn$  matrix

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1k} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{k1} & A_{k2} & \dots & A_{kk} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, we find the graph induced by  $B$  to be quasi-random.

**Definition 0.1** (Bipartite Quasi-Random Graph). A bipartite graph,  $G(A, B)$  with  $|A| = |B|$  and density  $p$ , is **Bipartite Quasi-Random** if it obeys one of the following (equivalent) tweaked quasi-random properties

- $(P_2)$ .  $e(G) \geq pn^2 + o(n^2)$  and  $\#CW_4 \leq p^4n^4 + o(n^4)$ .
- $(P_3)$ .  $e(G) \geq pn^2 + o(n^2)$  and  $\lambda_1 = pn + o(n)$  and  $\lambda_2 = o(n)$ .
- $(P_4)$ . For all  $X \subseteq A$ ,  $Y \subseteq B$ , we find  $|e(X, Y) - p|X||Y|| \leq o(n^2)$ .

**Recall.**  $G$  is bipartite on two sets of size  $k$  if and only if the eigenvalues of  $G$  are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k, -\lambda_k, -\lambda_{k-1}, \dots, -\lambda_1$ .

**Definition 0.2** (Bipartite Double). We define the **Bipartite Double** of a graph  $G$  with adjacency matrix  $A$  to be the graph induced by

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{n \times n} & A \\ A & 0_{n \times n} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Essentially, this splits  $G$  into two graphs  $G, G'$  such that a vertex  $x \in G$  is connected to all of its neighbors, but in  $G'$  and similarly, a  $x' \in G'$  will be connected to all of its neighbors, but in  $G$ . Hence, this induces a bipartite graph yielding some interesting properties.

**Example.** If  $G$  is regular, we find the bipartite double of  $G$  to be regular.

Furthermore, the bipartite double of  $C_3$  is  $C_6$ .

Similarly, the bipartite double of  $K_3$  is  $K_{3,3}$ .

The bipartite double of a graph which is already bipartite is simply 2 independent of the original graph.

For example, the double of  $K_{2,2}$  is  $2K_{2,2}$ . ◇

Using the bipartite double we can construct new bipartite quasi-random graphs.

**Proposition 0.3.** If  $G$  is quasi-random and  $A$  is its adjacency matrix, then the bipartite double induced by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & A \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is bipartite quasi-random.

**Problem.** Prove that  $P_3$  (for a general quasi-random graph) implies the existence of a subgraph isomorphic to  $C_k$  with  $k \geq n + o(n)$ .