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Naive chain rule algorithm

Input: $G = (V, E)$ and L_G^+
Output: Set of edges corresponding to a random spanning tree

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1 for  $e = (u, v) \in E$  do
2    $R_e^{\text{eff}} = (\chi_u - \chi_v)^T L_G^+ (\chi_u - \chi_v);$ 
3   if  $(X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(R_e^{\text{eff}})) = 1$  then
4     Add edge  $e$  to the spanning tree;
5      $G = G/e;$ 
6   else
7      $G = G \setminus e ;$ 
8   end
9   Update  $L_G^+ ;$ 
10 end
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Algorithm 1: Sampling uniform spanning tree using chain rule

5 Laplacian Paradigm

5.1 Kelner, Madry

6 Conclusion