

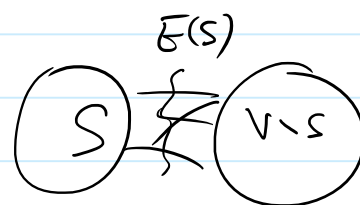
Graph Sparsification II: Cut Sparsifiers

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Graph $G=(V,E)$ undirected

For $S \subseteq V : 1 \leq |S| < n : (S, V \setminus S)$ is called a cut

Let us define $E(S)$ as the set of edges across the cut



Size of a cut $(S, V \setminus S) : e(S) = |E(S)|$

(if G is weighted $e(S)$ is the sum of the weights in $E(S)$)

Minimum cut size : $\lambda(G)$ (a cut of size $\lambda(G)$ is called a minimum cut)

Cut Sparsifier: Goal

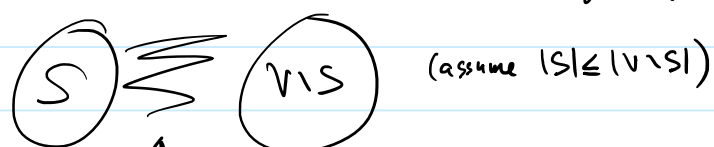
Given an undir. and unweighted graph $G=(V,E)$, find a weighted graph $H=(V,E')$ with $E' \subseteq E$ and weights $w: E' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ s.t. for all cuts $(S, V \setminus S)$:

$$(1-\varepsilon) \cdot e_G(S) \leq \underset{\uparrow \text{weighted}}{e_H(S)} \leq (1+\varepsilon) \cdot e_G(S)$$

Warm-up example : $G = K_n$

Sample each edge with prob. $p = \frac{c \cdot \ln n}{\varepsilon^2 n}$ (for c suff. large)

weight of sampled edges : $1/p$



\uparrow #edges = $|S| \cdot |V \setminus S| \geq \frac{1}{2} n |S| \Rightarrow X(S) : \# \text{ sampled edges}$

$$\mathbb{E}[X(S)] = p \cdot |S| \cdot |V \setminus S| \geq \frac{1}{2} p n |S|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(|X(S) - \mathbb{E}[X(S)]| > \varepsilon \cdot \mathbb{E}[X(S)]) &\leq 2 \cdot e^{-\varepsilon^2 \mathbb{E}[X(S)]/3} \\ &\leq 2 \cdot e^{-\frac{\varepsilon^2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{c \ln n}{\varepsilon^2} |S|} \end{aligned}$$

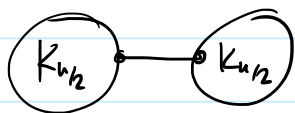
#cuts where the smaller side
is $|S|$ is $\leq n^{|S|}$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{n^{\frac{\varepsilon}{6} |S|}}$$

General graphs?

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Uniform edge sampling does not work



→ We will see that non-uniform independent edge sampling works

Edge sampling in general graphs

Sample each edge e with prob p_e , how do the cuts behave?

Cut Counting

Lemma: In every weighted graph, the number of min. cuts $\leq \binom{n}{2} \leq \frac{n^2}{2}$
and the number of cuts of size $\leq \alpha \cdot \lambda(G)$ is at most $n^{2\alpha}$

Proof: Follows from the properties of the random contraction alg. (see algorithm theory lec.)

Define $q_{\epsilon, d} := \frac{3(d+4)}{\epsilon^2} \cdot \ln n = O\left(\frac{\log n}{\epsilon^2}\right)$ (for $d = O(1)$)

Lemma: Let $G = (V, E)$ be an unweighted graph and let p_e be an assignment of edge prob. and let $H = (V, E')$ to be the graph where each edge $e \in E$ is cont. in E' indep. with prop. p_e

If for all cuts $(S, V \setminus S)$: $p(S) := \sum_{e \in E(S)} p_e \geq q_{\epsilon, d}$, then

the prob. that $|e_H(S) - p(S)| \leq \epsilon p(S)$ for all cuts $(S, V \setminus S)$ is at least $1 - \frac{1}{n^d}$.

Proof: Consider a cut $(S, V \setminus S)$, define $\alpha_S := \frac{p(S)}{\mu}$, where $\mu := \min_S p(S) \geq q_{\epsilon, d}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(|e_H(S) - p(S)| > \epsilon \cdot p(S)) &\leq 2 \cdot e^{-\epsilon^2 \cdot p(S)/3} \quad (\text{using Chernoff}) \\ &= 2 e^{-\alpha_S \cdot \epsilon^2 \cdot \mu / 3} \\ &\leq 2 e^{-\alpha_S \cdot \frac{\epsilon^2}{3} \cdot \frac{3(d+4)}{\epsilon^2} \ln n} \\ &= 2 \cdot n^{-\alpha_S (d+4)} \\ &\leq n^{-\alpha_S (d+3)} \end{aligned}$$

Union bound over all cuts

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}(\exists S : |e_H(S) - p(S)| > \varepsilon p(S)) &\leq \sum_S n^{-\alpha_S(d+3)} \\
&= \sum_{\alpha_S} \sum_{S: \substack{p(S) = \alpha_S \cdot n \\ \text{cut counting: } \leq n^{2\alpha_S} \text{ such cuts}}} n^{-\alpha_S(d+3)} \\
&= \sum_{\alpha_S} n^{-\alpha_S(d+1)} \\
&\leq n^{-d} \quad \underline{\text{\# possible } \alpha_S \text{ is polyn. in } n} \quad (D)
\end{aligned}$$

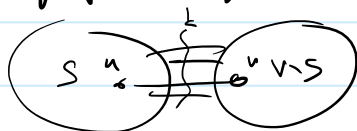
Strong Connectivity

Def: G is called k -connected if every cut is of size $\geq k$

Def: A k -strong component of a graph G is a maximal k -connected vertex-induced subgraph of G

Def: The strong connectivity k_e of an edge e is the maximum k s.t. e is in some k -strong component

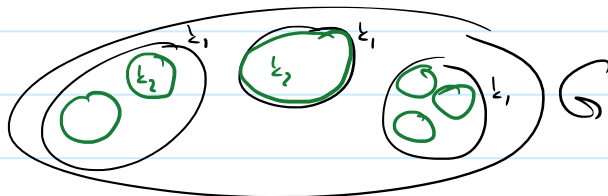
Remark: The (standard) connectivity of an edge $\{u, v\}$ is the size of smallest cut separating u & v .



std. connectivity \geq strong connectivity

Lemma: The following holds for k -strong components

- (1) k_e is uniquely defined for each edge e
- (2) For any k , the k -strong components are disjoint
- (3) For $k_1 < k_2$, the k_2 -strong comp. are a refinement of the k_1 -strong comp.

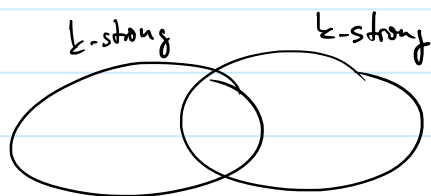


$$(4) \sum_{e \in E} \frac{1}{k_e} \leq n-1$$

Proof:

(1) by def. ✓

(2) suppose not:



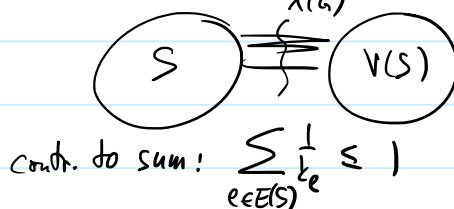
union is k -connected
 \Rightarrow contr. to maximality

(3) refinement ($k_1 < k_2$)

comp. k_2 -conn. $\rightarrow k_1$ -conn \rightarrow subset of a maximal k_1 -conn. component

$$(4) \sum_{e \in E} \frac{1}{k_e} \leq n-1$$

min cut of G



$k_e \geq \lambda(G)$ for all $e \in E$

remove edges $E(S) \rightarrow$ recurse over comp.

Cut Sparsifier Algorithm

$$\text{Set } p_e := \frac{1}{k_e} \cdot q_{\varepsilon, d+2} = O\left(\frac{\log n}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{k_e} \quad (d = O(1))$$

Output $H = (V, E')$, where E' cont. every edge $e \in E$ indep. with prob. p_e and weight $1/p_e$

Theorem: W.h.p., $|E'| = O\left(\frac{n \log n}{\varepsilon^2}\right)$ and for every cut $(S, V \setminus S)$

$$(1-\varepsilon) e_G(S) \leq e_{H'}(S) \leq (1+\varepsilon) e_G(S)$$

Proof: $E[|E'|] = \sum_{e \in E} p_e = q_{\varepsilon, d+2} \cdot \sum_{e \in E} \frac{1}{k_e} \leq (n-1) \cdot q_{\varepsilon, d+2} = O\left(\frac{n \log n}{\varepsilon^2}\right)$

Sampling prob. $P_e = \frac{q_{E,d+2}}{k_e} \quad (q := q_{E,d+2})$

Let $k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_s$ all the different edge strengths

Consider G as a weighted graph with edge weights

$$w_e = \frac{1}{P_e} = \frac{k_e}{q}$$

Define unweighted F_1, \dots, F_s , $F_i = (V, E_i)$, $E_i := \{e \in E : k_e \geq k_i\}$

Observations:

- for all $i \in \{1, \dots, s\}$ and all $e \in E_i$, strength of e in F_i is k_e

- $F_1 = G$, F_{i+1} is a subgraph of F_i

- If we define $k_0 = 0$, we can write G as

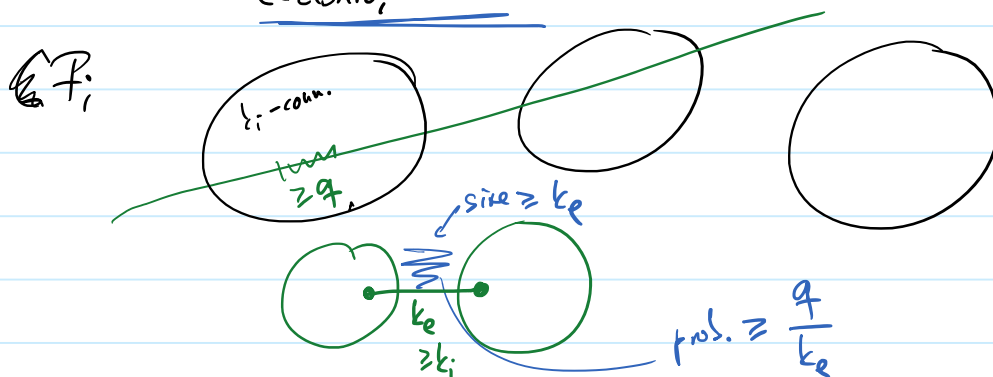
$$G = \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{k_i - k_{i-1}}{q} \cdot F_i \quad \leftarrow$$

need to show that weight of e in G is $\frac{k_e}{q} = \frac{\overbrace{k_1 - k_0 + k_2 - k_1 + k_3 - k_2 + \dots + k_i - k_{i-1}}^{k_i = k_e}}{q}$
where $k_i = k_e$

\Rightarrow if all cuts are close to their exp. size in all F_i

Need to show that in all F_i , for all cuts $(S, V \setminus S)$

$$\sum_{e \in E(S) \cap E_i} P_e \geq q_{E,d+2}$$



in each F_i , all cuts are within $(1 \pm \epsilon)$ -factor of exp. with prob. $1 - \frac{1}{n^{d+2}}$

\Rightarrow union bound over $F_i \Rightarrow$ all cuts in all F_i are good w. pr. $\geq 1 - \frac{1}{n^d}$

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