

Maxcut SDP

maxcut: Given $G = (V, E)$

find S, \bar{S} s.t. $\max |E(S, \bar{S})|$

Last time: - trivial approx $1/2$

- LP doesn't beat $1/2$

- Spectral $9/8$

Vector embedding

$$x_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{s.t. } \max \frac{1}{4} \sum_E \|v_i - v_j\|^2 \quad \|v_i\|^2 = 1$$

Relaxation: $\text{SDP} \geq \text{maxcut}$

for any cut S we can build

$$V_i^{(S)} = \begin{cases} 1 & i \in S \\ -1 & i \in \bar{S} \end{cases}$$

$$\max \sum_E \|v_i - v_j\|^2 = |E(S, \bar{S})|$$

Spectral: $\max \frac{1}{4} \sum \|v_i - v_j\|^2$

has n constraints. Could
relax to

$$\sum d_i \|v_i\|^2 = 2|E|$$

Goemmic Williamson Relaxation

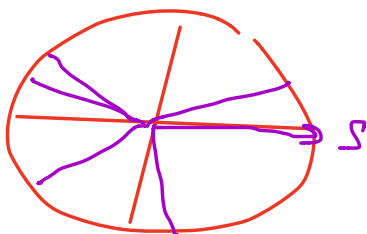
& rounding.

rounding

Claim: GW relaxation can be rounded
to obtain a $0.87856\dots$
approx to max cut

Rounding

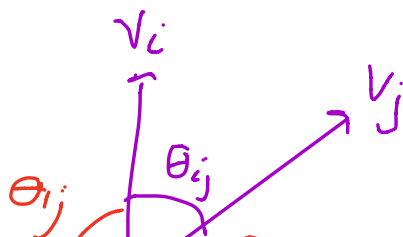
pick a uniform direction at
random



Rule: $i \in S$ if $\langle v_i, s \rangle \geq 0$

Pf: Take any pair i, j .

$P(i, j \text{ cut})$



~~$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \theta_{ij} d\theta_{ij}$$~~

$$= \frac{2\theta_{ij}}{2\pi} = \frac{\theta_{ij}}{\pi}$$

$$\cos \theta_{ij} = \langle v_i, v_j \rangle$$

$$\theta_{ij} = \arccos \langle v_i, v_j \rangle$$

$$\# [|E(S, \bar{S})|] = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_E \arccos (\langle v_i, v_j \rangle)$$

must be compared to SDP value.

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_E \|v_i - v_j\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_E 1 - \langle v_i, v_j \rangle$$

↑ expand

Consider:

$$\frac{|E(S, \bar{S})|}{SDP} = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\sum \arccos \langle v_i, v_j \rangle}{\sum 1 - \langle v_i, v_j \rangle}$$

$$\min_{-1 \leq x \leq 1} \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\arccos x}{1 - x} \geq 0.878 \dots$$

Theorem: There are matching integrality gaps.

Minimum Conductance

$$\bar{\phi}_G = \min_{S \subseteq V} \frac{|E(S, \bar{S})|}{Vol(S) Vol(\bar{S})} Vol(G)$$

Cheeger $\lambda_2 \leq \bar{\phi}_G \leq 2\sqrt{2\lambda_2}$

Spectral Relaxation:

$$\min \sum_E \|v_i - v_j\|^2$$

$$\sum \frac{d_i d_j}{\text{Vol}(G)} \|v_i - v_j\|^2 = 4$$

$$\xLeftrightarrow{\text{SDP}}$$

$$\min x^T L x$$

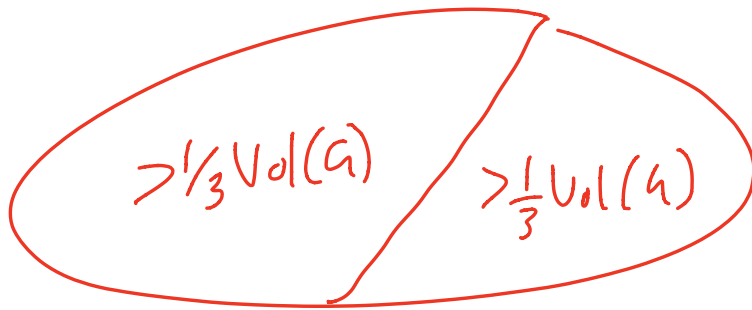
$$x^T L(k_u) = 4$$

Balanced Min Conductance

Divide & Conquer to have

$\log N$ depth we want

balanced cut



- Spectral properties won't provide this

b-balanced min cut ($0 \leq b < \frac{1}{2}$)

$$\overline{\Phi}_{2b} = \min_{\substack{S \subseteq V \\ \text{Vol}(S) \geq b \text{Vol}(G)}} \overline{\Phi}(S)$$

SDP Relaxation

Integral Solution to Spu. Relax.

$$(S, \bar{S})$$

$$\hookrightarrow v_i^{(S)} = \begin{cases} c & i \in S \\ 0 & i \in \bar{S} \end{cases}$$

$$\sum \frac{d_i d_j}{\text{Vol}(G)} \|v_i^{(S)} - v_j^{(S)}\|^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{\text{Vol}(S) \text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(G)} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(G)}{\text{Vol}(S) \text{Vol}(\bar{S})}}$$

also want $\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(G)} > b$

$$\frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(G)} < 1 - b$$

Would like to add the constraint

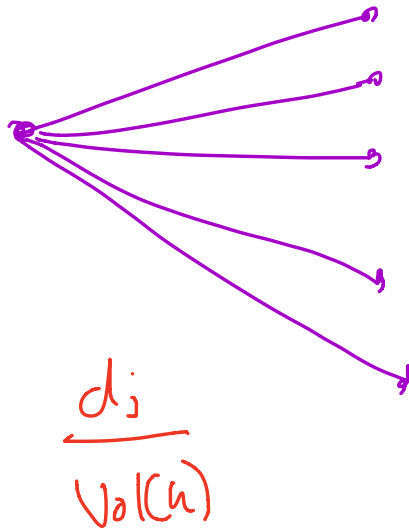
$$\|v_i\|^2 \leq \sqrt{\text{Vol}(G)} \frac{1}{b}$$

* not trans.
invariant

perhaps a better way to think
about this

$$K_G = \frac{1}{2} \sum_v d_v \cdot S_v^G$$

S_v^G :



$$d_i \sum_{j \in V} \frac{d_j}{\text{Vol}(G)} \|v_i - v_j\|^2 \rightarrow$$

$$L(d_i s_i)$$

$$\|v_i\|^2 \leq \frac{\text{Vol}(G)}{b}$$

SDP Relaxation

$$\min L \cdot X$$

$$\text{s.t. } L(K_G) \cdot X = 1 \quad (\alpha)$$

$$d_i(L(s_i)) \cdot X \leq c = \frac{d_i}{b} \text{Vol}(G)$$

Finding c

$$d_i \sum_{j \in V(G)} \frac{d_j}{\text{Vol}(G)} \|v_i^{(s)} - v_j^{(s)}\|^2$$

$$= d_i \frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(G)} \frac{\text{Vol}(G)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S}) \text{Vol}(S)}$$

$$= d_i - d_i \dots \dots \dots (\alpha)$$

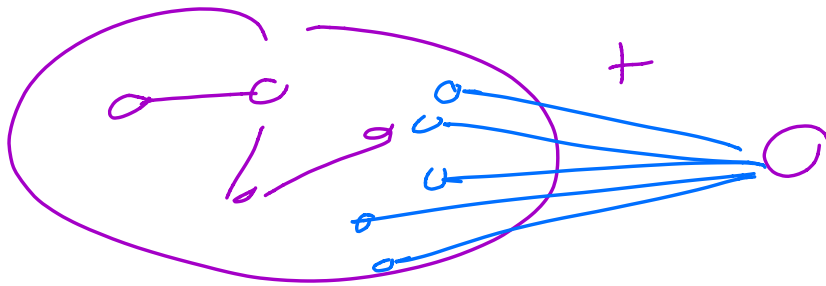
$$\frac{a_i}{\text{Vol}(s)} \approx \frac{a_i}{b} \text{Vol}(u) (\beta_i)$$

Dual:

$$\max \alpha \text{Vol}(u) - \sum \frac{d_i \beta_i}{b}$$

s.t.

$$L + \underbrace{\sum d_i \beta_i L(s_i)}_{\text{adding stars}} \geq \alpha L(k_u)$$



moves $\lambda_2 \nearrow$ so that

we remove trivial cuts

but wants to maximize
things so we can't
need too many stars.