

**A: Perturbation bound analysis**

1.

$$\|XY\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \|Xy_i\|_2^2 \leq \|X\|_2 \sum_{i=1}^k \|y_i\|_2^2 = \|X\|_2 \|Y\|_F^2 \quad (1)$$

Apply this to  $X = L^{-1}$  and  $Y = A = LL^\top$  to find

$$\|L^{-1}LL^\top\|_F = \|L^\top\|_F = \|L\|_F \leq \|L^{-1}\|_2 \|A\|_F \quad (2)$$

$$\|L^{-1}\|_2^{-1} \|L\|_F \leq \|A\|_F \quad (3)$$

This is the first inequality we wanted to show. For the second, we use the previous identity on  $\|A\|_F$  followed by the original identity on  $\|A^{-1}\|_2 \|L\|_F$  to find

$$\|A\|_F \|A^{-1}\|_2 \geq \|L^{-1}\|_2^{-1} \|L\|_F \|A^{-1}\|_2 \quad (4)$$

$$\geq \|L^{-1}\|_2^{-1} \|A^{-1}L\|_F \quad (5)$$

$$= \|L^{-1}\|_2^{-1} \|(L^{-1})^\top L^{-1}L\|_F = \|L^{-1}\|_2^{-1} \|L^{-1}\|_F \quad (6)$$

2. Expanding the square, applying triangle inequality, and using the original inequality

$$E = -A + (A + E) = LG^\top + GL^\top + GG^\top \quad (7)$$

$$\|E\|_F \leq 2\|LG^\top\|_F + \|GG^\top\|_F \leq 2\|L\|_2 \|G\|_F + \|G\|_F^2 \quad (8)$$

Applyin the quadratic formula to solve in terms of  $\|G\|_F$  and selecting solution by non-negativity gives

$$\|G\|_F \geq -\|L\|_2 + \sqrt{\|L\|_2^2 + \|E\|_F} \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{\|G\|_F}{\|L\|_2} \geq \sqrt{1 + \|E\|_F / \|L\|_2^2} - 1 \quad (10)$$

Noting that  $\|A\|_2 = \|LL^\top\|_2 \geq \|L\|_2^2$  by sub-multiplicativity of spectral norm, we have

$$\frac{\|G\|_F}{\|L\|_2} = \frac{\|E\|_F / \|A\|_2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + \|E\|_F / \|A\|_2}} \quad (11)$$

The second inequality with  $\kappa(A)$  comes from applying sub-multiplicativity of Frobenius norm instead to get

$$\|E\|_F \leq 2\|L\|_F\|G\|_F + \|G\|_F^2 \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{\|G\|_F}{\|L\|_F} \geq \sqrt{1 + \|E\|_F / \|L\|_F^2} - 1 \quad (13)$$

and noting by the second inequality in problem (1) applied to  $\kappa(A)$  and the first inequality in problem (1)

$$\kappa(A)\|A\|_F \geq \|L\|_F\|L^{-1}\|_2\|A\|_F \geq \|L\|_F^2 \quad (14)$$

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## B: Orthogonally invariant norms

1. Consider  $g(s(A)) = \|\text{diag}(s(A))\| = \|\Sigma\|$ . This is well defined by uniqueness of SVD and orthogonal invariance of  $\|\cdot\|$ . To see that this is a symmetric gauge function, any permutation matrix  $P$  is unitary hence

$$g(Ps(A)) = \|P\Sigma\| = \|\Sigma\| \quad (15)$$

again by orthogonal invariance.

2.  $g(\cdot)$  being an absolute vector norm gives us everything except the triangle inequality. If we let  $g_*$  denote the Fenchel dual to the vector norm  $g$ , then we have

$$g(s(A+B)) = g_{**}(s(A+B)) \quad (16)$$

$$= \sup_{z: g_*(z) \leq 1} \langle z, s(A+B) \rangle \quad (17)$$

$$= \sup_{C: g_*(s(C)) \leq 1} \text{Tr } C^\top (A+B) \quad (18)$$

$$\leq \sup_{C: g_*(s(C)) \leq 1} \text{Tr } C^\top A + \sup_{C: g_*(s(C)) \leq 1} \text{Tr } C^\top B \quad (19)$$

$$= g(s(A)) + g(s(B)) \quad (20)$$

Orthogonal invariance follows from noting that

$$g(s(A)) = g_{**}(s(A)) = \sup_{C: g_*(s(C)) \leq 1} \text{Tr } C^\top A = \sup_{C: g_*(s(C)) \leq 1} \sum_{i=1}^j \sigma_i(A) \sigma_i(C) \quad (21)$$

and hence the norm  $\|A\| = g(s(A))$  only depends on the singular values.

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## C: Maximum Clique

The task is to generalize from  $G(n, 1/2)$  to  $G(n, p)$ , where we show  $\frac{\omega(G_n)}{\log_2 n} \rightarrow 1/p$ .

The upper deviation bound

$$\Pr[\omega(G_n) \geq (1/p + \varepsilon) \log_2 n] \rightarrow 0 \quad (22)$$

follows from the first moment method using  $p^{\binom{k}{2}}$  in place of  $2^{-\binom{k}{2}}$ .

The lower deviation bound

$$\Pr[\omega(G_n) \geq k = (1/p - \varepsilon) \log_2 n] \rightarrow 1 \quad (23)$$

similarly follows by tracing the second moment method argument and replacing  $2^{-2\binom{k}{2} + \binom{l}{2}}$  with  $p^{2\binom{k}{2} - \binom{l}{2}}$ . ■

#### D: Weyl's inequality

1.

$$A = \sum_j \lambda_j(A) u_j u_j^\top \quad (24)$$

So any  $V$  will be spanned by a  $\dim(V) = i$  subset of the eigenvectors  $\{u_{V(j)}\}_{j=1}^i$  from which we find

$$\inf_{v \in V: \|v\|_2=1} v^\top A v = \inf_{v \in V: \|v\|_2=1} \sum_j \lambda_{V(j)}(A) \langle v, u_{V(j)} \rangle = \lambda_{V(i)}(A) \quad (25)$$

where the last equality is due to the infimum being attained when all of  $v$  is weighted on the smallest eigenvalue  $\lambda_{V(i)}(A)$ . To maximize the smallest eigenvalue,  $V$  must contain the top  $i$  eigenvalues (i.e.  $V(i) = i$ ) and  $\sup_{V: \dim(V)=i} \lambda_{V(i)} = \lambda_i$ .

2.

$$\|A - B\|_2 = \left| \sup_{\dim(V)=1} \inf_{v \in V: \|v\|_2=1} v^\top (A - B) v \right| \quad (26)$$

$$\geq \left| \sup_{\dim(V)=1} \inf_{v \in V: \|v\|_2=1} v^\top A v + \sup_{\dim(W)=1} \inf_{w \in W: \|w\|_2=1} (-w^\top B w) \right| \quad (27)$$

$$\geq \left| \sup_{\dim(V)=i} \inf_{v \in V: \|v\|_2=1} v^\top A v + \sup_{\dim(W)=n-i} \inf_{w \in W: \|w\|_2=1} (-w^\top B w) \right| \quad (28)$$

$$= \left| \lambda_i(A) - \inf_{\dim(W)=n-i} \sup_{w \in W: \|w\|_2=1} w^\top B w \right| \quad (29)$$

where the inequalities follow because we used a complement of the Courant-Fischer representation in the last line. ■

#### E: Experiments for planted clique