## **MAX CUT Problem**

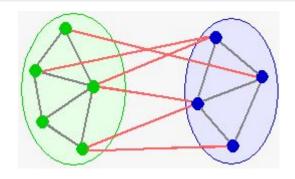
Max Cut: maximize total weight of edges between sets

SDP: solve semidefinite programming problem

Decompose solution X with Cholesky decomposition

Round the solution by introducing random hyperplane

Get the approximate Max Cut solution



$$\max_{x_i^2=1} x^{\top} A x \leq$$

$$\leq \max_{\substack{X \succeq 0 \\ diag(X) = 1_n}} \operatorname{Tr}(AX) =$$

$$=\min_{\mathrm{Diag}(\lambda)\succeq A}\mathrm{Tr}\,\mathrm{Diag}(\lambda)$$