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Theorem 1. *There is an algorithm $A(\epsilon)$ which given an n -vertex weighted graph G computes a partition \mathcal{S}_ϵ such that*

$$w(\mathcal{S}_\epsilon) \leq w(\mathcal{S}^*) + \epsilon\mu(V). \quad (1)$$

Here \mathcal{S}^ is the minimum normalized cut partition, and G can be embedded in a (D, β) -quasi-random graph [1].*

Algorithm $A(\epsilon)$ runs in time polynomial...

Proof. We go along with the way in [2], let V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k be the ϵ -regular partition for G , denote $d_{ij} = \frac{\rho(V_i, V_j)}{\mu(V_i)\mu(V_j)}$, for all partition $\mathcal{S} = \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_l\}$, let $S_{i,r} = V_i \cap S_r, T_{i,r} = V_i \setminus S_{i,r}$, then

$$\text{NCut}(\mathcal{S}) = \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\rho(S_r, \bar{S}_r)}{\mu(S_r)}. \quad (2)$$

Since we have

$$\left| \frac{\rho(S_{ir}, T_{jr})}{\mu(S_{ir})\mu(T_{jr})} - \frac{\rho(V_i, V_j)}{\mu(V_i)\mu(V_j)} \right| \leq \epsilon, \quad (3)$$

for all i, j . Hence we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\rho(S_r, \bar{S}_r)}{\mu(S_r)} &\leq \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\sum_{i,j=1}^k (\epsilon + d_{ij}) \mu(S_{ir}) \mu(T_{jr})}{\mu(S_r)} \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\epsilon}{\mu(S_r)} \sum_{i,j=1}^k \mu(T_{jr}) \mu(S_{ir}) + \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{i,j=1}^k \frac{d_{ij} \mu(S_{ir}) \mu(T_{jr})}{\mu(S_r)} \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\epsilon}{\mu(S_r)} (l-1) (\mu(S_r))^2 + \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{i,j=1}^k \frac{d_{ij} \mu(S_{ir}) \mu(T_{jr})}{\mu(S_r)} \\ &= \epsilon(l-1)\mu(V) + \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{i,j=1}^k \frac{d_{ij} \mu(S_{ir}) \mu(T_{jr})}{\mu(S_r)}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Suppose $V_r := \{v_{1r}, v_{2r}, \dots\}$ and $\bar{\mu}_{tr} = \sum_{k=1}^t v_{kr}$, we define

$$\eta_{sr} := \inf\{\bar{\mu}_{tr} : \bar{\mu}_{tr} - \bar{\mu}_{s-1,r} \geq \epsilon\mu(V_r)\}, \quad (5)$$

and notice that for all r , there are at most $1/\epsilon$ such η_{sr} . For every S_{ir} , we choose the nearest η_{ir} such that $|\mu(S_{ir}) - \eta_{ir}| < \epsilon\mu(V_r)$, denote $\tilde{\eta}_{jr} := \mu(V_r) - \eta_{jr}$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{ij=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}\mu(S_{ir})\mu(T_{jr})}{\mu(S_r)} - \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{ij=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}\eta_{ir}\tilde{\eta}_{jr}}{\mu(S_r)} \right| \\
& \leq \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{ij=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}|\mu(S_{ir})\mu(T_{jr}) - \eta_{ir}\tilde{\eta}_{jr}|}{\mu(S_r)} \\
& = \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{ij=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}}{\mu(S_r)} |\mu(S_{ir})\mu(T_{jr}) - \mu(S_{ir})\tilde{\eta}_{jr} + \mu(S_{ir})\tilde{\eta}_{jr} - \eta_{ir}\tilde{\eta}_{jr}| \\
& \leq \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{ij=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}}{\mu(S_r)} (\mu(S_{ir})|\mu(T_{jr}) - \tilde{\eta}_{jr}| + \tilde{\eta}_{jr}|\mu(S_{ir}) - \eta_{ir}|) \\
& \leq \sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{ij=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}}{\mu(S_r)} (\mu(S_{ir})\epsilon\mu(V_r) + \tilde{\eta}_{jr}\epsilon\mu(V_r)) \\
& = \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\epsilon\mu(V_r)}{\mu(S_r)} \sum_{ij=1}^k (\mu(S_{ir}) + \tilde{\eta}_{jr}) \\
& = \sum_{r=1}^l \frac{\epsilon\mu(V_r)}{\mu(S_r)} l\mu(S_r) \\
& = \epsilon l\mu(V).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus to find a cut which maximizes $\text{NCut}(\mathcal{S})$ to within $3\epsilon\mu(V)$ we need only find one which maximizes

$$\sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{d_{ij}\eta_{ir}\tilde{\eta}_{jr}}{\mu(S_r)}. \quad (6)$$

This is a simple matter as η_{ir} takes one of at most $1/\epsilon$ values. \square

Lemma 2. *There is an algorithm $P(\epsilon)$ which given an ϵ -regular partition of graph G in time polynomial where G can be embedded in a (D, β) -quasi-random-graph.*

References

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