

A. Here are ten different matrices, one of which represents a structure.

$$H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	6-cycle	8-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	2	1	2.0588
$v_4$	1	1	0.5090
$v_6$	0	0	0.1870

Variable node  $v_1$  is in an 8-cycle and two 6-cycles,  $v_4$  is in an 8-cycle and a 6-cycle and  $v_6$  is not in any cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 2.0588, D(P||Q)_4 = 0.5090, D(P||Q)_6 = 0.1870.$$

$$H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	8-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	3	1.5363
$v_2$	2	0.2969
$v_6$	0	0.1514

Variable node  $v_1$  is in three 8-cycles,  $v_2$  is in two 8-cycles, and  $v_6$  is not in any cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 1.5363, D(P||Q)_2 = 0.2969, D(P||Q)_6 = 0.1514.$$

$$H_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0; \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0; \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0; \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0; \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0; \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	6-cycle	8-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	2	1	1.6660
$v_4$	1	1	0.4278
$v_8$	0	0	0.2221

Variable node  $v_1$  is in an 8-cycle and two 6-cycles,  $v_4$  is in an 8-cycle and a 6-cycle, and  $v_8$  is not in any cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 1.6660, D(P||Q)_4 = 0.4278, D(P||Q)_8 = 0.2221.$$

$$H_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	4-cycle	6-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_2$	1	2	3.6788
$v_3$	0	2	3.6707
$v_5$	0	0	0.1215

Variable node  $v_2$  is in two 6-cycles and a 4-cycle,  $v_3$  is in two 6-cycles, and  $v_5$  is not in any cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_2 = 3.6788, D(P||Q)_3 = 3.6707, D(P||Q)_5 = 0.1215.$$

$$H_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	4-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	3	8.2688
$v_5$	0	0.3679

Variable node  $v_1$  is in three 4-cycles, and  $v_5$  is not in any cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 8.2688, D(P||Q)_5 = 0.3679.$$

$$H_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	4-cycle	8-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	0	2	0.3482
$v_3$	1	2	1.7059
$v_5$	0	0	0.1474

Variable node  $v_1$  is in two 8-cycles,  $v_3$  is in two 8-cycles and a 4-cycle, and  $v_5$  is not in any cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 0.3482, D(P||Q)_3 = 1.7059, D(P||Q)_5 = 0.1474.$$

$$H_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	6-cycle	8-cycle	10-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	0	1	1	0.2398
$v_2$	0	0	0	0.1974
$v_3$	1	1	1	1.0050
$v_5$	1	0	1	0.3990

Variable node  $v_1$  is in an 8-cycle and a 10-cycle,  $v_2$  is not in any cycle,  $v_3$  is in a 10-cycle, an 8-cycle, and a 6-cycle, and  $v_5$  is in a 10-cycle and a 6-cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 0.2398, D(P||Q)_2 = 0.1974,$$

$$D(P||Q)_3 = 1.0050, D(P||Q)_5 = 0.3990.$$

$$H_8 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	4-cycle	6-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	2	1	1.7526
$v_2$	0	0	0.4380
$v_3$	1	1	0.5541

Variable node  $v_1$  is in a 6-cycles and two 4-cycles,  $v_2$  is not in any cycle, and  $v_3$  is in a 6-cycle and a 4-cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 1.7526, D(P||Q)_2 = 0.4380, D(P||Q)_3 = 0.5541.$$

$$H_9 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	4-cycle	6-cycle	8-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	2	2	1	2.8381
$v_2$	0	0	0	0.3855
$v_3$	0	2	1	0.6957
$v_6$	1	2	0	1.1791
$v_7$	1	1	1	0.7878

Variable node  $v_1$  is in two 4-cycles, two 6-cycles and an 8-cycle,  $v_2$  is not in any cycle,  $v_3$  is in two 6-cycles and an 8-cycle,  $v_6$  is in a 4-cycle and two 6-cycles, and  $v_7$  is in a 4-cycle, a 6-cycle and an 8-cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 2.8381, D(P||Q)_2 = 0.3855, D(P||Q)_3 = 0.6957,$$

$$D(P||Q)_6 = 1.1791, D(P||Q)_7 = 0.7878.$$

$$H_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$$

VNs	4-cycle	6-cycle	8-cycle	K-L divergence
$v_1$	1	0	1	1.4210
$v_2$	0	1	1	0.3473
$v_3$	0	0	0	0.2434
$v_6$	1	1	1	2.6271

Variable node  $v_1$  is in a 4-cycle and an 8-cycle,  $v_2$  is in a 6-cycle and an 8-cycle,  $v_3$  is not in any cycle,  $v_6$  is in a 4-cycle, a 6-cycle, and an 8-cycle. The corresponding K-L divergences are

$$D(P||Q)_1 = 1.4210, D(P||Q)_2 = 0.3473,$$

$$D(P||Q)_3 = 0.2434, D(P||Q)_6 = 2.6271.$$

### B. Comparison of Kullback-Leibler Divergence.

The Kullback-Leibler Divergences are compared in the following table. We can see that compared with BP decoding, the damping factor BP decoding can effectively reduce the K-L divergence, that is, the decoding result is closer to the MAP decoding result.

Matrices	variable nodes	$D(P  Q)$	$D(S  Q)$
$H_1$	$v_1$	2.0588	0.9181
	$v_4$	0.5090	0.3706
$H_2$	$v_1$	1.5363	0.5529
	$v_2$	0.2969	0.2527
$H_3$	$v_1$	1.6660	0.9181
	$v_4$	0.4278	0.3706
$H_4$	$v_2$	3.6788	0.7018
	$v_3$	3.6707	0.3241
$H_5$	$v_1$	8.2688	5.6401
$H_6$	$v_1$	0.3482	0.2864
	$v_3$	1.7059	0.9370
$H_7$	$v_1$	0.2398	0.1964
	$v_3$	1.0050	0.3295
	$v_5$	0.3990	0.2733
$H_8$	$v_1$	1.7526	1.3598
	$v_3$	0.5541	0.3564
$H_9$	$v_1$	2.8381	1.4505
	$v_3$	0.6957	0.3192
	$v_6$	1.1791	0.4141
	$v_7$	0.7878	0.3044
$H_{10}$	$v_1$	1.4210	0.4890
	$v_2$	0.3473	0.2178
	$v_6$	2.6271	1.4536