

Today

- finish SDP rounding
3-coloring
- randomized online
bipartite matching

MAXCUT

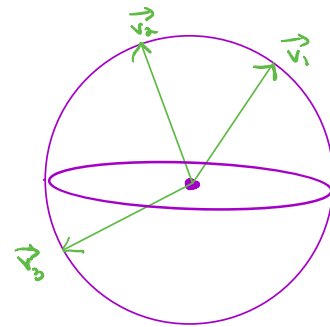
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Vector programming relaxation

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$$\vec{v}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



SDP rounding

Intro to semi-definite programming

linear programming where vars are entries in psd matrix

Defn

If A is a symmetric n by n matrix then A is a positive semidefinite (psd) matrix $\equiv A \succeq 0$ if any of the following equivalent conditions hold

① $\forall c \in \mathbb{R}^n, c^T A c \geq 0$

② A has nonnegative eigenvalues

③ $A = V^T V$ for some $m \times n$ matrix $V, m \geq n$

④ $A = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i x_i^T$ for some $\lambda_i \geq 0$ and orthonormal vectors $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Semidefinite program (SDP)

$$\max \text{ or } \min \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\text{subject to } \sum_{i,j} a_{ijk} x_{ij} = b_k$$

$$x_{ij} = x_{ji} \quad \forall i,j$$

$$X = (x_{ij}) \succeq 0$$

\equiv Vector program

$$\max \text{ or } \min \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} (v_i \cdot v_j)$$

$$\text{subject to } \sum_{i,j} a_{ijk} (v_i \cdot v_j) = b_k$$

$$v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{given } X \Rightarrow X = V^T V; \text{ set } v_i \text{ to be } i^{\text{th}} \text{ col of } V$$

Key fact:

SDPs can be solved to within additive error ϵ in time

$\text{poly}(\text{size of input}, \log(\frac{1}{\epsilon}))$

in our discussions, we ignore additive error ϵ

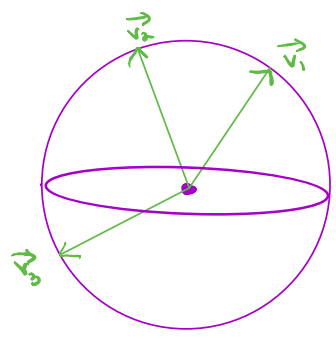
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Can solve SDP in poly time.

Claims

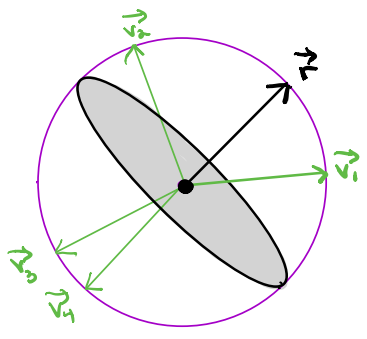
$$\text{MAXCUT OPT} \leq \text{SDP OPT}$$

But how to round? get large contribution to OPT when $\vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j$ very -ve

Random hyperplane rounding

Solve SDP $\rightarrow v_1^*, v_2^*, \dots, v_n^*$
pick random hyperplane thru origin
partition vertices based on which side of hyperplane

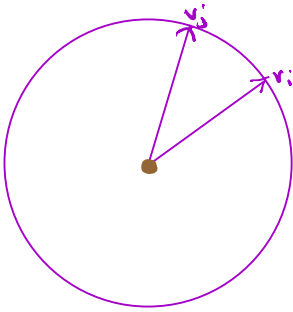
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Put } i \text{ into } S & \quad \text{if } v_i \cdot \vec{r} \geq 0 \\ i \text{ into } \bar{S} & \quad \text{if } v_i \cdot \vec{r} < 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow (z_1, \dots, z_n) \\ & z_i \sim N(0,1) \end{aligned}$$

$$E(\text{weight of resulting cut } (S, \bar{S})) = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \Pr((i,j) \text{ gets cut})$$

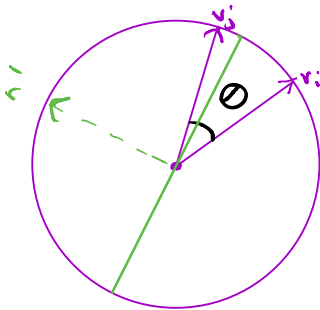
(i,j)



$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}' + \vec{r}''$$

\vec{r}' ← projects \vec{r} to this plane
 \vec{r}'' ← orthogonal.

$\frac{\vec{r}'}{\|\vec{r}'\|}$ is uniformly dist'd around circle



$\Pr((i,j) \text{ gets cut})$

= $\Pr(\text{unif random diam cuts between them})$

$$= \frac{\theta}{\pi} = \frac{\arccos(\vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j)}{\pi}$$

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$$\forall x \in [-1, 1] \quad \frac{\arccos(x)}{\pi} \geq \frac{1-x}{2} \geq \alpha$$

$$= \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{\arccos(\vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j)}{\pi} \geq \alpha \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{(1 - \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j)}{2}$$

Obj of SDP

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

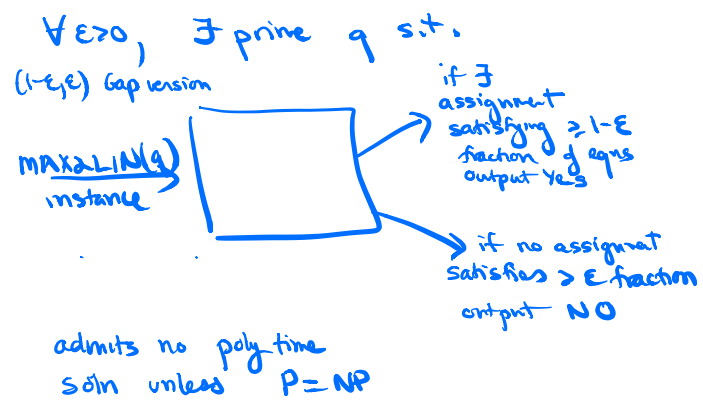
$$E(\text{wt of cut produced by alg}) \geq 0.878 \text{OPT}_{\text{SDP}} \geq 0.878 \text{OPT}$$

Hardness

① If \exists approx alg for MAXCUT with approx ratio ≥ 0.941 , then $P=NP$.

② If the "unique games conjecture" is true, there is no approx alg for MAXCUT with approx ratio better than 0.878....

Unique Games Conjecture



MAX2LIN(q)

q prime
 input: linear equations mod q w/ unknowns
 $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \{0, 1, \dots, q-1\}$
 (form $x_i - x_j = c$)

$x_3 - x_{11} \equiv 87 \pmod{97}$
 $x_7 - x_{22} \equiv 3 \pmod{97}$
 \vdots
 $x_7 - x_{11} \equiv 56 \pmod{97}$

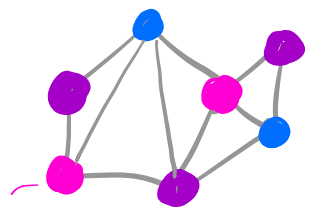
Problem: Find assignment of x_i 's that satisfies max possible # of eqns

③ Int gap of the [GW] SDP = 0.878...

③ Every poly sized LP relaxn of MAXCUT has integrality gap of $\frac{1}{2}$.

3-Coloring a 3-colorable graph

Given graph $G=(V,E)$
 & promise that it is 3-colorable



What is min k s.t. we can find a k -coloring of G in poly time?

Simple results:

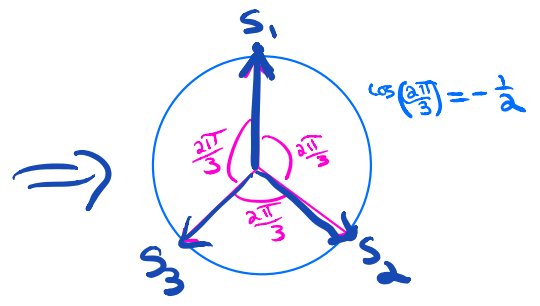
- ① A graph with max degree Δ can be colored with $\leq \Delta+1$ colors
- ② A 3-colorable graph can be colored with $O(\sqrt{n})$ colors.

Find a vertex of $\text{deg} \geq \sqrt{n}$
 Use 3 colors to color it & its neighbors
 (neighborhood 2-colorable)
 Remove it & its neighbors from graph

An SDP-based alg.

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \lambda \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j \leq \lambda \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_i = 1 \quad \forall i \in V \\ & \vec{v}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned}$$

Claim:
 if graph is 3-colorable
 $\lambda \leq -\frac{1}{2}$



$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \lambda \\ \text{st.} \quad & \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j \leq \lambda \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_i = 1 \quad \forall i \quad (*) \\ & \vec{v}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall i \end{aligned}$$

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Aside: If G has a triangle, then optimal soln to SDP has $\lambda^* \geq -\frac{1}{2}$

Proof: Suppose 

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq (\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3) &= \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_3 \\ &+ \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_3 + \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3 + \vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall G \\ \min \quad & \lambda \\ & \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j \leq \lambda \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_i = 1 \quad \forall i \\ & \vec{v}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned}$$

If G k -colorable $\lambda^* \leq -\frac{1}{k-1}$
 If G has k -clique $\lambda^* \geq -\frac{1}{k-1}$

Defn $\Theta(G) = 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda^*}$

called Lovasz Theta fn
 (= k if G is k -colorable & has k -clique)

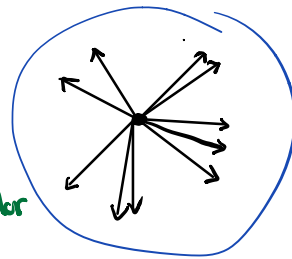
$$\text{clique \# of } G \leq \Theta(G) \leq \text{chromatic \# of } G$$

Back to coloring 3-colorable graphs

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & \lambda \\
 (*) \quad & v_i \cdot v_j \leq \lambda \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\
 & v_i \cdot v_i = 1 \quad \forall i \\
 & v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n
 \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm

- ① Solve SDP (*) $\Rightarrow v_i^* \quad i=1, \dots, n$
- ② Choose t random hyperplanes thru origin
- ③ Color vertices in each region w/ diff color
- ④ remove any edges properly colored
- ⑤ Repeat steps 2-4 until have proper coloring



One execution of step 2 uses 2^t colors.

Goal: produce semi-coloring w.p. $\geq \frac{1}{2}$ (**)

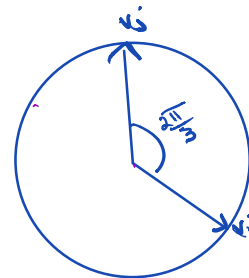
coloring of nodes s.t.
 $\leq \frac{n}{4}$ edges have same color at both
 endpoints
 \Rightarrow at least $\frac{n}{2}$ vertices properly colored.

Observation: if k -colors sufficient to get semi-coloring,
 \Rightarrow graph can be properly colored with $O(k \log n)$ colors

What should t be to guarantee (**)?

Fix $(i,j) \in E$

$\Pr(i \& j \text{ get same color})$



$\Rightarrow E(\# \text{ edges with same color})$

Let Δ^* be a parameter

1. Pick a vertex of $\deg \geq \Delta^*$ & 3-color it & neighbors
2. Repeat step 1 until all vertices have degree $\leq \Delta^*$
3. Run SDP-based alg to color rest

Current best: $O(n^{0.199})$

NP-hard to color with 4 colors

Huge open problem: Is there an alg for 3-coloring a 3-colorable graph that uses $\text{poly} \log n$ colors?