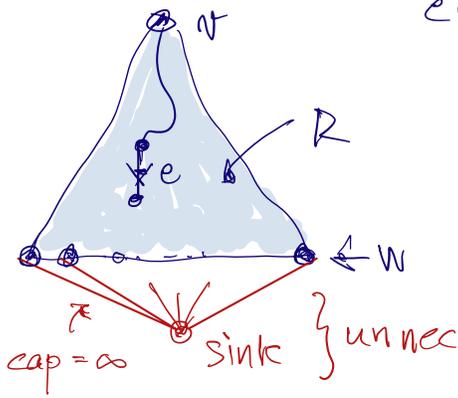


network:



$$e \in R \rightarrow \text{cap}(e) = C q^{|e|}$$

[ref: Diestel or any book on GT]

$\otimes + \text{mfm}^* \rightarrow \exists (v, W)$ -flow  $\varphi$  s.t.

(i)  $\varphi(e) \leq C p^{|e|}$

\* max-flow min-cut

(ii) strength = 1

a.k.a. "value" =  $\sum_{e \in R} \varphi(e) = \sum_{y \in W} \varphi(e_y)$

Now  $\mu$ : define on all of  $R$   $\neq$  think = implementing "ROUGH"

$\mu(w) = 1$

$w \neq y \in R \rightarrow \mu(y) = \varphi(e_y) \leq C p^{|y|}$

flow { into / out of }  $y$

[small if  $|y|$  large (see below)]

$\rightarrow \sum_{y \in V_k} \mu(y) = 1 \quad \forall k \leq n$

(remark: same  $w \in V_k \leftarrow$  any min'l cut in  $R$ , but not needed)

L14

$(\mathbb{E}X^2) = \sum \sum \mu(y) \mu(z) q^{-|y \wedge z|}$

[always:  $y, z \in W$ ,  $w \in R$ ]

$= \sum_w \sum_{y \wedge z = w} \mu(y) \mu(z) q^{-|w|}$

$\leq \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} \sum_{w \in V_k} \sum_{y, z \in W} \mu(y) \mu(z)$

$\rightarrow$  SAC minor  $\circ \circ \dots$

$= \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} \sum_{w \in V_k} \left[ \sum_{y \in W} \mu(y) \right]^2 \rightarrow \mu(w)$

cf. "implementing"

why?  $\leq \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} C p^k \leq C \sum_{k \geq 0} (p/q)^k =: K (< \infty)$



# Lovász Local Lemma (briefly; see also A-S, Zhao)

framework (cf. "Poisson Par"):

$A_1, \dots, A_m$  "bad" events,  $P_i := P(A_i)$

think  $\begin{cases} P_i \text{ small} \\ m \text{ large} \end{cases}$

hope  $A_i$ 's approx. ind (= ???)  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\cap \bar{A}_i) > 0$

⊗ vs U-bd, where typ.  $\mathbb{P} \rightarrow 1$

e.g. indep  $\rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\cap \bar{A}_i) = \prod (1 - P_i) > 0$  but maybe tiny

▷ e.g.  $\mathcal{H}$  hypergraph (on  $V$ )  $\rightarrow$  discrepancy: [A-S, Ch. 13]

$$\text{disc}(\mathcal{H}) = \min_{\sigma: V \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}} \max_{H \in \mathcal{H}} |\sigma(H)|$$

$$\left( = \min_{V=R \cup B} \max_{H \in \mathcal{H}} |H \cap R| - |H \cap B| \right)$$

e.g.   $\text{disc} = 3$  (not 2-colorable)

▷  $f(t) := \max \{ \text{disc}(\mathcal{H}) : t\text{-unif, } t\text{-reg} \}$   $\approx ?$

e.g.  $f(3) = 3$

$\rightarrow$  color at random?

$$\mathbb{P}(\underbrace{|\sigma(H)|}_{A_H} > \lambda) < 2e^{-\lambda^2/2t} \quad \text{small if } \lambda \gg \sqrt{t}$$

• want  $\mathbb{P}(\cap \bar{A}_H) > 0$  ( $\Leftrightarrow \text{disc}(\mathcal{H}) \leq \lambda$ )

$\bar{\omega}$   $\lambda$  as small as poss.

• U bd? useless

•  $A_H$ 's  $\approx$  indep ??? ...

Def  $G$  on  $[m]$  (or e.g.  $\mathcal{A}$ )

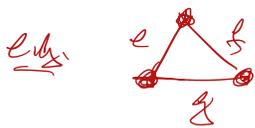
dependency graph for  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  is

$\forall i, A_i$  indept of  $\{A_j : j \in I\}$   $\leftarrow$  in  $G$

$A$  ind of  $\{A_j : j \in J\}$  if

$$\forall I \subseteq J \quad \mathbb{P}(A | \bigcap_{j \in I} A_j \cap \bigcap_{j \in J \setminus I} \bar{A}_j) = \mathbb{P}(A)$$

N.B. stronger than  $A_i, A_j$  ind  $\forall j \in J$



$G: V \rightarrow \{R, B\}$  unif

$A_e = \{e \text{ monochromatic}\}$

$A$ 's pairwise indept but  $A_e A_f \Rightarrow A_g$

e.g.  $A_H$ 's above  $\rightarrow H \sim H' \Leftrightarrow H \cap H'$  low. gph on  $\mathcal{A}$

[most common source of low. gph:  $X_i$ 's indept  $\rightarrow$

$A$  det by  $(X_i : i \in I)$  ind. of all events det'd by  $(X_j : j \notin I)$

- "Mutual Independence Princ" in Markov-Reed  $\downarrow$

LLL (in Erdős-Lovász '55)  $\bar{w}$  not, as above

if ①  $P_i \leq p \forall i$

②  $\exists$  low. gph. w  $\Delta \leq d$

③  $e_p(d+n) \leq 1$

then  $\mathbb{P}(\bigcap \bar{A}_i) > (1 - e_p)^m$

$> 0$

$\rightarrow$  if  $d > 0$ ;  $d = 0 \rightarrow A_i$ 's ind.

$\otimes$  EL:  $4pd < 1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\bigcap \bar{A}_i) > (1 - 2p)$  - diff a.a. unimp.

persp:  $\bullet$  e.g.  $m=d+1$ ,  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  disjoint,  $P_i = 1/d+1$ ,  $G = K_m$

$\rightarrow pd < 1 \Rightarrow \bigcap \bar{A}_i = \emptyset \rightarrow$

can't relax  $\textcircled{3}$  by much in fact, Shearer '85: can't shrink  $\epsilon$

$\bullet$  or U bd:  $G = K_{d+1} \frac{1}{t}$  aim for  $(d+1)p < 1$

back to discrep:  $d \leq t(t-1) \rightarrow$

want  $e(t^2-t+1)e^{-\lambda^2/2t} \leq 1 \leadsto f(t) < (2+\epsilon)\sqrt{t \ln t}$

$2+\epsilon \leftrightarrow$  slightly large  $t$  (anyway, don't care)

Conj (Beck (?)  $\sim 84$ )  $\Delta_{\mathcal{A}} \leq t$   $\Rightarrow$  disc( $\mathcal{A}$ ) =  $O(\sqrt{t})$

$\bullet$  is it obv.  $\exists$  bd.?

$\rightarrow$  Beck-Fiala Thm '81:  $\text{disc} \leq 2t-1$ ; AS §13.5

see also Komlós Conj. (Zhao C 5.1.5)