

## Testing Properties of Dense Graphs

Previously - graphs sparse, degree bounded by  $d$ , adjacency list representation

Next two lectures - adjacency matrix representation, dense graphs, no degree bounds

### Adjacency Matrix Model

$G$  represented by matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} & \\ & A_{ij} \\ & \end{bmatrix}$   
 s.t. can query  $A_{ij}$  in one step

Distance from property  $P \leftarrow$  set of graphs closed under permutations (relabeling of node names)

def.  $G$  is  $\epsilon$ -far from  $P$   
 if must change  $\geq \epsilon n^2$  entries in  $A$   
 to turn  $G$  into a member of  $P$

Testing "sparse" properties in this model:

all graphs are  $\epsilon$ -close to connected  
 so trivial tester says "PASS" on all inputs

## Bipartiteness

- can color nodes red/blue s.t. no edge monochromatic
  - can partition nodes into  $(V_1, V_2)$  s.t.
- $\nexists e \in E$  s.t.  $u, v \in V_1$  or  $u, v \in V_2$  } "violating" edge  
 $(u, v)$
- i.e. not bipartite  $\Leftrightarrow$   $\nexists$  partitions  $V = (V_1, V_2)$   
 $\exists$  violating edge

## def. $\epsilon$ -far from bipartite

- must remove  $> \epsilon n^2$  edges to make bipartite
- $\nexists$  partitions  $V = (V_1, V_2)$ ,  $> \epsilon n^2$  violating edges

## Testing Algorithms

- testing exact bipartiteness (not sublinear)  
 BFS (linear time)

- Proposed property testing algorithm:

$\Theta(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon})$

Picks sample of nodes of size  $\Theta(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon})$   
 Consider induced subgraph on sample  
 If bipartite, output "Pass"  
 else output "Fail"

but does it fail far from bipartite graphs?

This actually works!

## A first attempt

Consider  $G$ ,  $\epsilon$ -far from bipartite

$\forall$  partitions  $(V_1, V_2)$  have  $\geq \epsilon n^2$  violating edges

$\Rightarrow$  sample  $\binom{V_1, V_2}$  of size  $m = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\delta}\right)$

will hit  $(V_1, V_2)$ -viol-edge with prob

$$\geq 1 - ((1-\epsilon))^{\frac{m}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\delta}} = 1 - e^{-c \log \frac{1}{\delta}} \geq 1 - \delta$$

for good choice of  $c$

so what is the problem?

- lets not worry about time, just query complexity

- but how do we know that  $e$  violates

$(V_1, V_2)$ ? + just because it violates

$(V_1, V_2)$  doesn't mean it violates all partitions!

- should we try all  $2^n$  partitions?

Algorithm 0 [horrible runtime, but maybe query complexity ok?]

Pick  $m = \Theta(?)$  random edgeslots & query

$\forall$  partitions  $(V_1, V_2)$

violating  $\nabla_{V_1, V_2} \leftarrow$  # violating edges in sample wrt  $V_1, V_2$

If all violating  $\nabla_{V_1, V_2} > 0$  output FAIL  
else PASS

How many queries needed?

- bipartite always passes

• if  $G$  is  $\varepsilon$ -far

$$\Rightarrow \forall V_1, V_2 \quad |E| \geq \varepsilon n^2 \text{ violating edges}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall V_1, V_2 \quad \Pr[\text{see violating edge for } V_1, V_2] \geq 1 - \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr[\forall V_1, V_2 \text{ see viol edge for } V_1, V_2] \geq 1 - 2^n \delta$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{1-2^n \delta}}_{\substack{\text{union} \\ \text{bound}}}$   
 depends  
on # samples

so need  $\delta < \frac{1}{2^n}$ ?  
 this would require  $m = \Theta(\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \log \frac{1}{\delta})$

$$\approx \Theta(\frac{n}{\varepsilon})$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{\approx \Theta(\frac{n}{\varepsilon})}}_{\substack{\text{sublinear in } n^2, \\ \text{but want better!}}}$

Problem do we really need a union bound?

or do we really need to try all partitions?

↑  
 many have similar #'s of violating edges,  
 can we just pick a few "representatives"  
 that are close to all partitions?

## Algorithm 1

- Pick  $U, U'$  randomly from  $V$ 
  - $\Theta(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon})$  nodes
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used to define a set of partitions

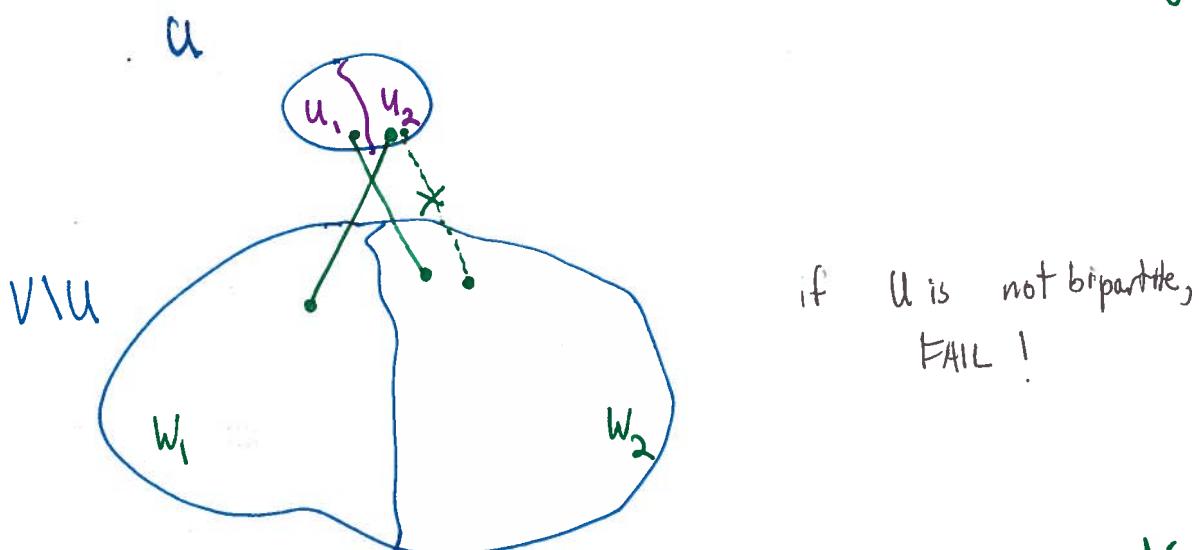
↑ Pair off + think of as edges

$$U = \{u_1, v_1, u_2, v_2, \dots\}$$

$$P = \{(u_1, v_1), (u_2, v_2), \dots\}$$
 pairs

- If  $U$  not bipartite, FAIL
- If partitions of  $U$  into  $U_1, U_2$ 
  - induce partition on rest of graph

Consider only  $2^{|U|}$  partitions, is this enough?



Partition:  $\forall v \in V$  (including  $v \in U$ )

- if  $v$  has nbr in  $U_2$ , put in  $W_1$
- if " " " "  $U_1$  " "  $W_2$
- " " " " both  $\Rightarrow$  bad partition  
(Continue to next partition)
- " " " " neither, put in  $W_1$

$\forall v$   
this can  
be computed  
in  $O(|U|)$   
time!

- Count how many  $(u, v) \in P$  violate  $W_1, W_2$
- Pass if fraction  $\leq \frac{3}{4} \cdot \epsilon$
- o.w. Continue to next partition

- Fail

Dont need to compute for all  $v \in V$ , just for all  $v \in U'$

Why pass if any violation?  
because we aren't checking all  $W_1, W_2$

## Analysis

- if  $G$  bipartite:

not immediate that it passes!

the "right" partition might not be one that we try!

let  $V = (Y_1, Y_2)$  be bipartite partition (no violating edges)

For sample  $U$ ,

$$U_1 \leftarrow Y_1 \cap U \quad (\text{note: } U_1, U_2 \text{ is partition of } U)$$

$$U_2 \leftarrow Y_2 \cap U$$

Now, use  $U_1, U_2$  to partition  $V$  as in step 2:  $W_1^{U_1, U_2} W_2^{U_1, U_2}$

Main Question How close is  $W_1^{U_1, U_2} W_2^{U_1, U_2}$  to  $Y_1, Y_2$ ?  $\leftarrow$  how many extra violating edges can it have?

how can it differ?

only for  $v$  without nbr in  $U$

$\cdot v$  with small degree ( $< \frac{\epsilon}{4} n$ ) = A

$\cdot v$  with high degree ( $\geq \frac{\epsilon}{4} n$ ) = B

note, if  $v$  has edge to both  $W_1, W_2$   
then contradicts that  $Y_1, Y_2$  is a bipartition

# violating edges in  $W_1^{U_1, U_2} W_2^{U_1, U_2}$ :

$$\leq 0 + \frac{\epsilon}{4} n \cdot n + n \cdot \square$$

$\uparrow$  # violating edges of  $Y_1, Y_2$   
 $\uparrow$  max degree of  $v \in A$   
 $\uparrow$  max degree of  $v \in B$   
 $\uparrow$   $|B|$

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Lemma  $\Pr_{\text{choice of } u} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{4}n \text{ high degree nodes in } V \\ \text{with no nbr in } u \end{array} \right] \geq 7/8$

Pf

$\forall v \text{ of degree } \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{4}n$

$$\delta_v = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } u \text{ has no nbr of } v \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$\forall \text{ other } v, \delta_v = 0$

for high degree  $v: E[\delta_v] = \Pr[\delta_v = 1]$

$$= \left( \Pr_{\substack{i \in \text{high degree } v \\ u}} [\text{ith node of } u \text{ isn't nbr of } v] \right)^{|u|}$$

$$\leq \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \right)^{|u|} = \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \right)^{\frac{4}{\varepsilon} \log^{32/\varepsilon}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{32}$$

for low degree  $v: E[\delta_v] = 0$

↑ since  $u$  is high degree

$$E[\sum_{v \in V} \delta_v] \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{32} n$$

$$\Pr[\sum \delta_v \geq \underbrace{8 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{32} n}_{\frac{\varepsilon n}{4}}] \leq \frac{1}{8} \text{ by Markov's } \blacksquare$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon n}{4}$$

so # violating edges in  $W_1^{u_1 u_2} W_2^{u_1 u_2}$ : (whp)

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{4} n^2 + n \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\varepsilon n}{4}}$$

with prob  $\geq 7/8$  from lemma

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon n^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[\text{fraction of } (u, v) \in P \text{ violating } W_1^{u_1 u_2} W_2^{u_1 u_2}] \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{so } \Pr[" \dots " \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \geq \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon] \leq \frac{1}{8}$$

↑ use Chernoff + # samples to show this

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } \Pr[\text{output fail}] &\leq \Pr[\text{output fail} \mid \text{too many high degree nodes}] \cdot \Pr[\text{too many high degree nodes}] \stackrel{\leq 1}{=} \frac{1}{8} \\
 &+ \Pr[\text{output fail} \mid \text{not too many high degree nodes}], \Pr[\text{not too many high degree nodes}] \\
 &\stackrel{\leq 1}{=} \frac{1}{8} \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

if  $G$   $\epsilon$ -far from bipartite:

all partitions  $Y_1, Y_2$  have  $\geq \epsilon n^2$  violating edges

in particular so does  $W_1^{u_1 u_2} W_2^{u_1 u_2} \notin U_1, U_2$

$$\Pr[\text{fraction of } (u, v) \in E \text{ violating } W_1^{u_1 u_2} W_2^{u_1 u_2} \leq \frac{3}{4} \epsilon n^2] \leq \frac{1}{8 \cdot 2} \|u\|$$

$$\Pr[\text{all partitions of } U \text{ have } \geq \frac{3}{4} \epsilon n^2 \text{ violations}] \geq 1 - \frac{1}{8}$$

↑ use Chernoff  
+ # samples

$$\therefore \Pr[\text{output pass}] < \frac{1}{8}$$



### Comments

1) can improve runtime to  $\text{poly}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$

2) proposed testing algorithm actually works

3) in adjacency list model (sparse graphs), need  $\mathcal{O}(f_n)$  queries

## Other problems: Partition properties

Similar ideas work:

Use random sample to implement oracle  
 which tells you how to do a global partition

← actually several oracles

so pick oracle giving best global result

### Idea for Max Cut

like greedy 2-approx for maxcut!

pick random sample  $S$   
 for each partition of  $S$ , create oracle  $(S_1, S_2)$ :  
 put  $v \in V \setminus S$  on side  $U_1^{S, S_2}$  if  $e(v, S_2) \geq e(v, S_1)$   
 + side  $U_2^{S, S_2}$  o.w.

then estimate # edges between  $(S_1 \cup U_1^{S, S_2}) \cup (S_2 \cup U_2^{S, S_2})$

Output max value

Analysis is a bit more complicated...

More:

Can ask "Given  $p_{ij}$ 's for  $1 \leq i < j \leq k$   
 is there a partition of  $V$  into  $k$  sets  $S_1, \dots, S_k$   
 s.t. edge density bet  $S_i \cup S_j$  is  $p_{ij}$ ?"