

Lecture - 12

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→ Topics:

- Algebraic Graph Theory
- Approximation algorithms
- Applications (Machine Learning)

→ Today

- Goemans - Williamson Max-cut 0.878 approx
- Bin packing Intro

CONVEX OPTIMIZATION

- Linear Programming (Vertex cover)
- Semi-definite programs
- More-convex programs

QUADRATIC PROGRAM formulation for max-cut

$$\max \sum_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{(1 - y_i y_j)}{2}$$

$y_i^2 = 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$

indicator (-1 or 1)

cleaner version

$$\max \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{(1 - y_i y_j)}{2}$$

$y_i^2 = 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$

{Relaxation} $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$
 $y_i \rightarrow y_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ lift y in dimension.
 (instead of just being a number, it represents n numbers)

SDP formulation

$$\max \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{(1 - v_i^T v_j)}{2}$$

$$\text{s.t. } v_i^T v_i = 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{Let } x_{ij} = v_i^T v_j$$

$$\max \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{(1 - x_{ij})}{2}$$

{Need to encode that the x_{ij} 's are dot products of some n -dimensional vectors}

Can solve in polynomial time.

$$\text{s.t. } x_{ii} = 1$$

$$X \succeq 0 \iff \exists V \text{ s.t. } X = V^T V$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Let } X = [x_{ij}]$$

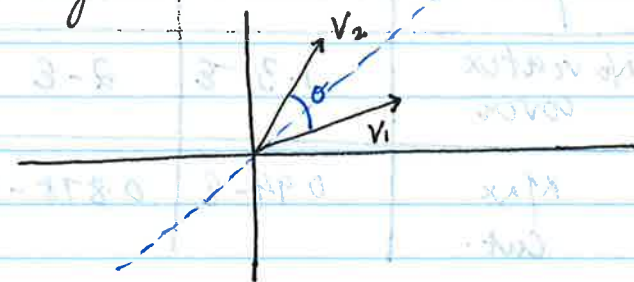
$$X = V^T V$$

make it positive definite

Solve it!

- Get X .
- Do Cholesky factorization on X to get the v_i 's back.
 $X = V^T V$ to get v_i 's.

- Round using random hyperplanes through the origin.



Probability

$$Pr [i \text{ is separated from } j] = \frac{\angle(i,j)}{\pi} = \frac{\arccos(v_i^T v_j)}{\pi}$$

$$v_i^T v_j = |v_i| |v_j| \cos \theta$$

$$E[\text{Cut}] = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} Pr[(i,j) \text{ is cut}] =$$

$$= \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{\arccos(x_{ij})}{\pi}$$

(SDP OPT \geq OPT)

$$\frac{E[\text{Cut}]}{\text{OPT}} \geq \frac{E[\text{Cut}]}{\text{SDP OPT}} = \frac{\sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{\arccos(x_{ij})}{\pi}}{\sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} \frac{(1 - x_{ij})}{2}}$$

$$\geq \min_{-1 \leq x \leq 1} \frac{\text{Arccos}(x)}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1-x}{2}$$

this number
0.878

→ Unique Games conjecture:

assumption:	$P = NP$	UGC
No vertex cover	$1.3 - \epsilon$	$2 - \epsilon$
Max Cut	$0.94 - \epsilon$	$0.878 - \epsilon$