

Graph limits and their applications
in extremal combinatorics
(Part 4)

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FLAG ALGEBRAS

- algebra \mathcal{A} of formal linear combinations of graphs
addition and multiplication by a scalar
- homomorphism $f_W : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for a graphon W
 $f_W(\sum \alpha_i H_i) := \sum \alpha_i d(H_i, W)$
multiplication, elements always in $\text{Ker}(f_W)$
- algebra \mathcal{A}^R of R -rooted graphs
random homomorphism $f_W^R : \mathcal{A}^R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
multiplication, average operator $[\cdot]_R : \mathcal{A}^R \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$
 $\mathbb{E}_R f_W^R(x) = f_W([\cdot]_R)$ for every $x \in \mathcal{A}^R$

COMPUTING WITH FLAGS

- simple applications yields results such as
 $f_W(K_2) > 1/2 \Rightarrow f_W(K_3) > 0$ for every W
 $f_W(K_3 + \overline{K_3}) \geq 1/4$ for every W
- shorthand notation for $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$
 $x = y \Leftrightarrow \forall W f_W(x) = f_W(y)$
 $x \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \forall W f_W(x) \geq 0$
- What can we use in computations?
 $x^2 \geq 0$ for every $x \in \mathcal{A}$
 $\llbracket x^2 \rrbracket_R \geq 0$ for every $x \in \mathcal{A}^R$

GOODMAN'S THEOREM

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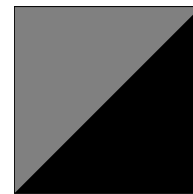
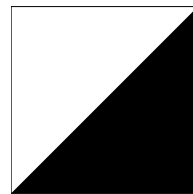
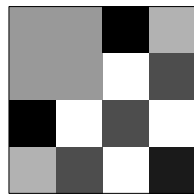
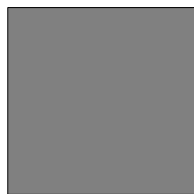
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Questions?

FINITELY FORCIBLE GRAPHONS

- a graphon W is **finitely forcible** if there exist H_1, \dots, H_k and d_1, \dots, d_k such that W is the only graphon with the expected density of H_i equal to d_i
- $W \equiv p$ is forced by densities of 4-vertex subgraphs
- Lovász, Sós (2008): **Step graphons are finitely forcible.**



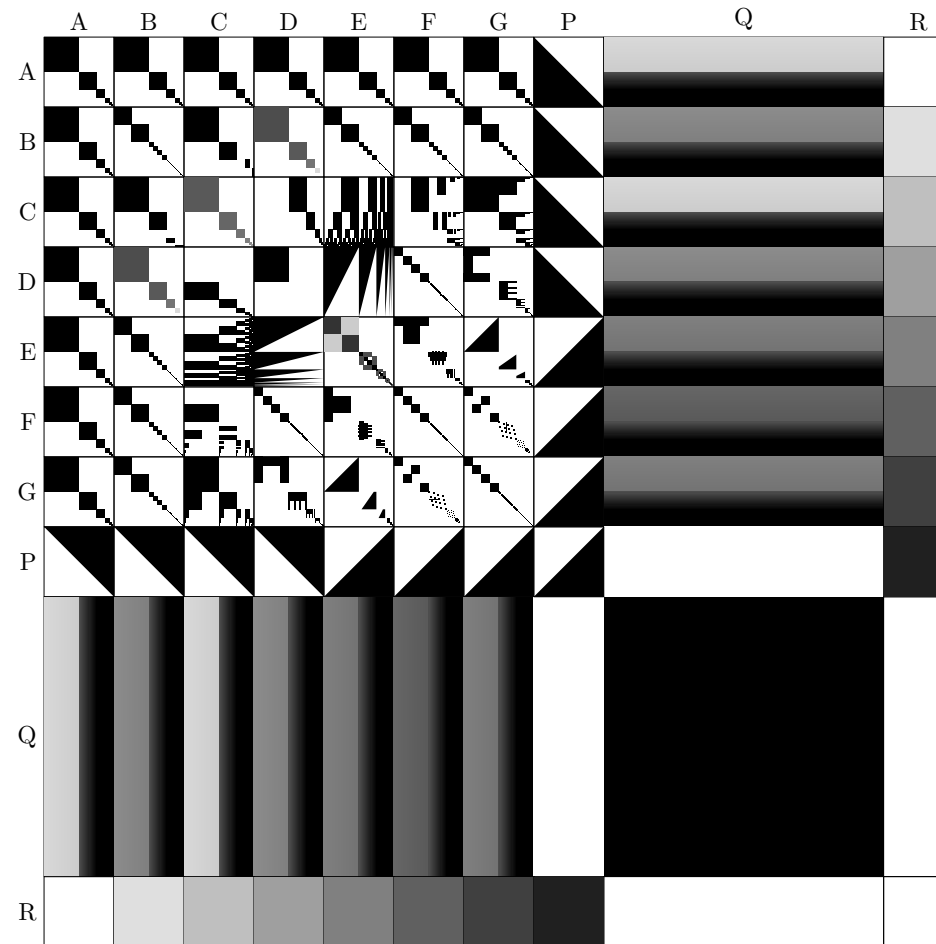
LINK TO EXTREMAL COMBINATORICS

- suppose W is forced by $d(H_i, W) = d_i$
density calculation: $\sum (H_i - d_i)^2 = \sum \alpha_j H'_j$
 W is the unique minimizer of $\sum \alpha_j d(H'_j, W)$
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NON-REGULAR GRAPHON



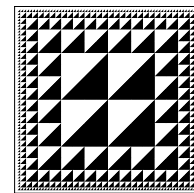
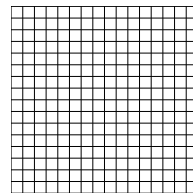
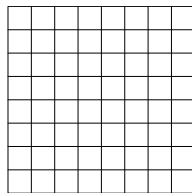
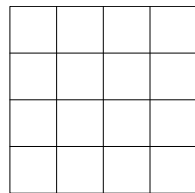
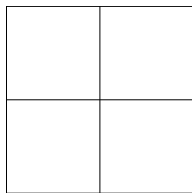
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- Theorem (Cooper, K., Lopes Martins)

If W is a computable graphon, then there exists a finitely forcible graphon W_0 such that

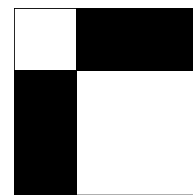
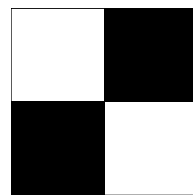
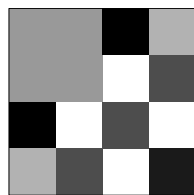
$$W_0(x/100, y/100) = W(x, y) \text{ for every } (x, y) \in [0, 1]^2.$$

- methods developed by Glebov, Klimošová, K., Volec
non-regular graphon due to Cooper, Kaiser, K., Noel



STEP GRAPHONS

- Lovász, Sós (2008): **Step graphons are finitely forcible.**
- **step graphon W** : k parts, i.e. $[0, 1] = J_1 \cup \dots \cup J_k$
 W is equal to D_{ij} on every $J_i \times J_j$, $i, j \in [k]$
- we prove the theorem under two additional assumptions
all parts have the same size, say $J_i = [(i-1)/k, i/k)$
 $D_{i_1} + \dots + D_{i_k} \neq D_{i'_1} + \dots + D_{i'_k}$ for $i \neq i'$



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- graphon W_0 , k parts, equal to D_{ij} on $J_i \times J_j$
 $f_W(H) = f_{W_0}(H)$ for all $(8k + 4)$ -vert. $H \Rightarrow W = W_0$
- degree in the i -th part: $\delta_i = (D_{i1} + \dots + D_{ik})/k$
 we have assumed that $\delta_i \neq \delta_j$ for $i \neq j$
- let $e \in \mathcal{A}^\bullet$ be the rooted K_2
 $\mathbb{E}_x f_W^x \left(\prod_{i=1}^k (e - \delta_i)^2 \right) = 0 \Rightarrow f_W^x(e) \in \{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_k\}$ a.s.
 $\int W(x, z) dz \in \{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_k\}$ for a.e. $x \in [0, 1]$

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 $J_i = \{x \text{ s.t. } f_W^x(e) = \delta_i\}$
- $\mathbb{E}_x f_W^x \left(\prod_{i=1, i \neq j}^k (e - \delta_i)^2 \right) = \frac{1}{k} \prod_{i=1, i \neq j}^k (\delta_j - \delta_i)^2 \Rightarrow$
the measure of J_i is $1/k$, w.l.o.g. $J_i = [(i - 1)/k, i/k)$
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- 4-vertex **decorated** graph H
the i -th vertex must belong to part ℓ_i
- the density $d(H, W)$ is equal to **normalization factor** \times

$$\int_{J_{\ell_1} \times \cdots \times J_{\ell_4}} \prod_{v_i v_j} W(x_i, x_j) \prod_{\overline{v_i v_j}} (1 - W(x_i, x_j)) dx_1 \cdots dx_4$$

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- 4-vertex decorated graph H with ℓ_1, \dots, ℓ_4

- $H_0 =$ the graph H with all vertices roots

$H_i =$ sum of 5-vert. H_0 -rooted graphs with the i -th root adjacent to the non-root vertex

- $$d(H, W) = \frac{\mathbb{E}_{H_0} f_W^{H_0} \left(\prod_{i=1}^4 \prod_{j=1, j \neq \ell_i}^k (H_i - \delta_j)^2 \right)}{\prod_{i=1}^4 \prod_{j=1, j \neq \ell_i}^k (\delta_{\ell_i} - \delta_j)^2}$$

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