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Efficient Amplification by repeating Critical Computation Parts

Introducing the method of amplification of the success probability as a method for the design of randomized algorithms.

MIN-CUT

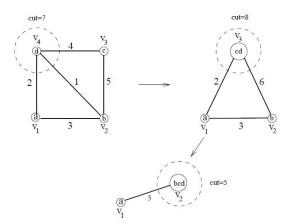
- Input: A multigraph G = (V, E, c), where $C: E \rightarrow N \{0\}$
- Constraints: The set of all feasible solutions for G is the set
 M(G) ={(V1, V2) |V1 ∪ V2=V, V1 ∩ V2=0}
- Costs: For every cut (V1, V2) \in M(G), cost((V1, V2),G) = \sum c(e) {i.e., cost((V1, V2),G) is equal to the number of edges between V1 and V2}
- Goal: minimum

MIN-CUT (deterministic algorothm)

• The best known deterministic algorithm for MIN-CUT runs in time $|V|^2$.

$$\mathbf{O}(|V|.|E|.log(\frac{|V|^2}{|E|}))$$

• in the worst case, is in $O(n^3)$ for n = |V|.



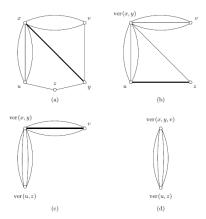
Contraction

Contract(G, e)

G = (V,E) and an edge $e = \{x,y\} \in E$

- 1 the vertices x and y are replaced by a new vertex ver(x, y),
- ② the multi-edge $e = \{x, y\}$ is removed (contracted).
- **3** each edge $\{r, s\}$ with an $r \in \{x, y\}$ and $s \in \{x, y\}$ is replaced by a new edge $\{ver(x, y), s\}$
- 4 all remaining parts of G remain unchanged.

MIN-CUT



- ① the effect of contracting the edges in F⊆ E does not depend on the order of contractions.
- (a) the multigraph in Figure 5.1(d) with a cost of 4.

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Randomized Algorithm

One contracts randomly chosen edges until one gets a multigraph with exactly two vertices ver(V1) and ver(V2).

Algorithm CONTRACTION

- Input: A connected multigraph G = (V, E, c)
- Step 1: Set label (v) :={ v } for every vertex v ∈ V .
- Step 2: while G has more than two vertices do begin

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choose an edge e = \{x, y\} \in E(G);
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$$G := Contract(G, e);$$

Set label (z) := label (x)
$$\cup$$
 label (y)

for the new vertex
$$z = ver(x, y)$$
;

end

• Step 3: if
$$G = (\{u, v\}, E(G))$$
 for a multiset $E(G)$ then

• output (label (u), label (v)) and
$$cost = |E(G)|$$

Algorithm CONTRACTION

Theorem 5.2.1

The algorithm CONTRACTION is a randomized polynomial-time algorithm that computes a minimal cut of a given multigraph G of n vertices with probability at least $\frac{2}{n.(n-1)}$

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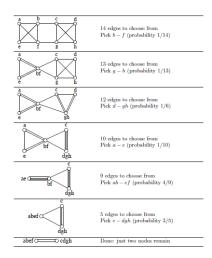
- The algorithm consists of n-2 contractions.
- time complexity of CONTRACTION is in $O(n^2)$
- Let G = (V, E, c) be a multigraph, and let (C - min) = (V1, V2) be a minimal cut of G with cost (C - min) = k for a natural number k.
- Every vertex of G has a degree of at least k.

G has at least
$$\frac{nk}{2}$$
 edges, i.e., $|E(G)| \ge \frac{nk}{2}$

Important observation is that

the algorithm CONTRACTION computes (C_{min}) if and only if no edge from $\mathbf{E}(C_{min})$ has been contracted.

CONTRACTION



Theorem 5.2.1

Probability

- Let S_{Con,G},G be the set of all possible computations of the algorithm CONTRACTION on G.
- Event_i = { all computations from S_{Con,G} in which no edge of E(C_{min}) is contracted in the i-th contraction step }

for
$$i = 1, 2, ..., n-2$$
.

• The event that (C_{min}) is the output of the algorithm is exactly the event:

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{n-2} Event_i$$

$$\operatorname{Prob}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n-2} \operatorname{Event}_{i}\right) = \operatorname{Prob}(\operatorname{Event}_{1}) \cdot \operatorname{Prob}(\operatorname{Event}_{2} \mid \operatorname{Event}_{1})$$
$$\cdot \operatorname{Prob}\left(\operatorname{Event}_{3} \mid \operatorname{Event}_{1} \cap \operatorname{Event}_{2}\right) \cdot \dots$$
$$\cdot \operatorname{Prob}\left(\operatorname{Event}_{n-2} \mid \bigcap_{j=1}^{n-3} \operatorname{Event}_{j}\right)$$

To prove Theorem 5.2.1, we have to estimate lower bounds on

$$\operatorname{Prob}\left(\operatorname{Event}_{i} \;\middle|\; \bigcap_{j=1}^{i-1} \operatorname{Event}_{j}\right)$$

for i = 1, ..., n-2.

• Since G has at least $\frac{nk}{2}$ edges and the algorithm makes a random choice for edge contraction,

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Prob}(\operatorname{Event}_1) &= \frac{|E| - |E(C_{\min})|}{|E|} \\ &= 1 - \frac{k}{|E|} \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{k}{\frac{k \cdot n}{2}} = 1 - \frac{2}{n}. \end{split}$$

contraction

• In general, the multigraph G/Fi created after i-1 random contractions has exactly n-i+1 vertices. If

$$F_i \cap E(C_{\min}) = \emptyset$$
 (i.e., $\bigcap_{j=1}^{i-1} \text{Event}_j \text{ happens}$)

 \bullet Every vertex in G/Fi has still to have a degree of at least k, and so G/Fi has at least

$$\frac{k.(n-i+1)}{2}$$
 edges.

Contraction

Therefore

$$\operatorname{Prob}\left(\operatorname{Event}_{i} \middle| \bigcap_{j=1}^{i-1} \operatorname{Event}_{j}\right) \geq \frac{|E(G/F_{i}) - E(C_{\min})|}{|E(G/F_{i})|}$$
$$\geq 1 - \frac{k}{\frac{k \cdot (n-i+1)}{2}}$$
$$= 1 - \frac{2}{(n-i+1)}$$

• for i = 2, ..., n-1.

$$\operatorname{Prob}\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{n-2} \operatorname{Event}_{j}\right) \geq \prod_{i=1}^{n-2} \left(1 - \frac{2}{n-i+1}\right)$$
$$= \prod_{l=n}^{3} \left(\frac{l-2}{l}\right)$$
$$= \frac{2}{n \cdot (n-1)} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{2}}.$$

 Theorem 5.2.1 assures that the probability of discovering a particular minimal cut in one run is at least:

$$\frac{2}{n.(n-1)} > \frac{2}{n^2}$$

• One does not obtain a minimal cut with a probability of at most:

$$\left(1-\frac{2}{n^2}\right)^{n^2/2} < \frac{1}{e}$$

• Hence, the complementary probability of computing a minimal cut by $n^2/2$ runs of the algorithm is at least:

$$1-\frac{1}{e}$$

ullet The complexity of the algorithm $CONTRACTION_{n^2/2}$ is in $O(n^4)$.

 The probability of contracting an edge from Cmin grows with the number of contractions executed.

$$\frac{2}{n}, \frac{2}{n-1}, \frac{2}{n-2}, \frac{2}{n-3}, \frac{2}{n-4}, \dots$$

• The created multigraph G/F, is small enough to be searched for a minimal cut in a deterministic way.

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Algorithm DETRAN(I)

The size of G/F will still remain a free parameter of the algorithm.

Let $L: N \to N$ be a monotonic function such that 1 < I(n) < n for every $n \in N$.

- Input: A multigraph G = (V, E, c) of n edges, $n \in N$, $n \ge 3$.
- Step 1: Perform the algorithm CONTRACTION on G in order to get a multigraph G/F of I(n) vertices.
- Step 2: Apply the best known deterministic algorithm on G/F to compute an optimal cut D of G/F.
- Output: D

DETRAN(I)

- Analyze the influence of the exchange of CONTRACTION for DETRAN(I) on:
 - (i) the amplification of the success probability
 - (ii) the increase of the complexity.
- Consider I as a free parameter, i.e., the result of the analysis depends on I.

Lemma 5.2.3

Let $L: N \to N$ be a monotonic function such that 1 < I(n) < n for every $n \in N$.

• The algorithm DETRAN(I) works in time:

$$O(n^2 + (I(n))^3)$$

• and it finds an optimal solution with probability at least:

$$\frac{\binom{l(n)}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}}$$

Lemma 5.2.3

Complexity of DETRAN(I)

• In step 1, (n-l)(n) contractions are performed, and each contraction can be executed in time O(n).

Hence, step 1 can be executed in:

$$O((n-l(n)).n) = O(n^2)$$

Deterministic algorithm can compute an optimal cut of G/F in time:

$$((I(n))^3)$$

Altogether, the complexity of DETRAN(I) is in:

$$O(n^2 + (I(n))^3)$$

Success probability of DETRAN(I)

- Let (C_{min}) be a minimal cut of G.
- lower bound on the probability of having (C_{min}) in the multigraph G/F after executing step 1:

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{n-l(n)} \mathrm{Event}_i$$

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Prob} \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n-l(n)} \operatorname{Event}_i \right) &\geq \prod_{i=1}^{n-l(n)} (1 - \frac{2}{n-i+1}) \\ &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-2} (1 - \frac{2}{n-i+1})}{\prod_{j=n-l(n)+1}^{n-2} (1 - \frac{2}{n-j+1})} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{\binom{n}{2}}}{\frac{1}{\binom{l(n)}{2}}} = \frac{\binom{l(n)}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}}. \end{split}$$

Time complexity and Success probability of DETRAN(I)

Since

$$\frac{n^2}{(l(n))^2} \ge \frac{\binom{n}{2}}{\binom{l(n)}{2}}$$

• $\frac{n^2}{(I(n))^2}$ independent runs of DETRAN(I) provide a randomized algorithm that works in time:

$$O\bigg((n^2 + (l(n))^3) \cdot \frac{n^2}{(l(n))^2}\bigg) = O\bigg(\frac{n^4}{(l(n))^2} + n^2 \cdot l(n)\bigg)$$

• Computes a minimal cut of G with probability at least:

$$1 - \frac{1}{6}$$

• The best possible choice of I with respect to the time complexity is:

$$l(n) = \left \lfloor n^{2/3} \right \rfloor$$

DETRAN(I)

Theorem 5.2.4.

 \bullet The algorithm DETRAN($\lfloor n^{2/3} \rfloor_{n^2/\lfloor n^{2/3} \rfloor})$ works in time:

$$O(n^{8/3})$$

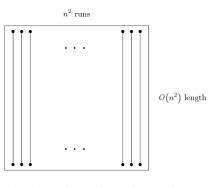
Computes a minimal cut with probability at least:

$$1 - e^{-1}$$

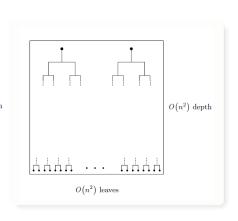
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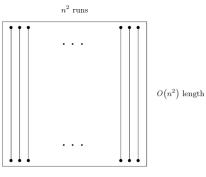
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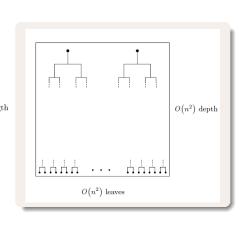
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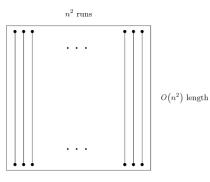
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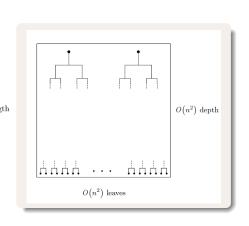
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Algorithm REPTREE(G)

- Input: A multigraph $G = (V, E, c), |V| = n, n \in N, n \ge 3.$ Procedure:
- if n ≤ 6 then: compute a minimal cut deterministically else begin
- h:= $\lceil 1 + \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} \rceil$ Perform two independent runs of CONTRACTION in order to get two multigraphs G/F1 and G/F2 of size h; REPTREE(G/F1); REPTREE(G/F2) end
- output the smaller of the two cuts computed by REPTREE(G/F1) and REPTREE(G/F2)

Algorithm REPTREE

Theorem 5.2.5.

The algorithm REPTREE works in time $O(n^2.logn)$ and finds a minimal cut with a probability of at least:

$$\frac{1}{\Omega(\log_2^n)}$$

Reptree

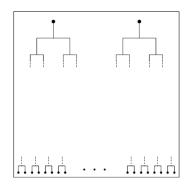
Time complexity

- Depths = number of recursion calls of Reptree.
- 2 Size is reduced by: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- 3 Number of recursion calls:

$$\log_{\sqrt{2}}^n \in O(\log_2^n)$$

4 Number of leaves:

$$2^{\left(\log_{\sqrt{2}}^{(n-2)}\right)} \in O(n^2)$$



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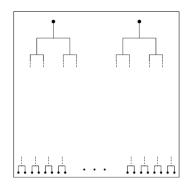
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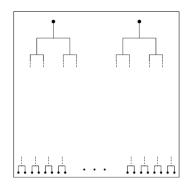
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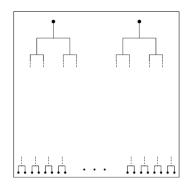
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Time Complexity Algorithm REPTREE

- TimeREPTREE(n) $\in O(1)$ for $n \le 6$
- TimeREPTREE(n) = 2 TimeREPTREE $([1 + \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}]) + O(n^2)$
- TimeREPTREE(n) = $\Theta(n^2 \cdot \log_2^n)$

Lower bound on the Success Probability

• Let p_i be the probability that G/Fi (i = 1, 2) still contains C_{min} .

$$p_{l} \geq \frac{\binom{\left\lceil 1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rceil}{2}}{\binom{l}{2}} = \frac{\left\lceil 1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rceil \cdot \left(\left\lceil 1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rceil - 1 \right)}{l \cdot (l - 1)} \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

Probability that RepTree finds C_{min} for i=1,2.

$$p_l \cdot \operatorname{Prob}\left(\left\lceil 1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}\right\rceil\right)$$

Probability that RepTree does not find C_{min}.
 G/F has contained C_{min}.

$$\left(1 - p_l \cdot \operatorname{Prob}\left(\left[1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}\right]\right)\right)^2$$

Probability of RepTree

• So the following recurrence for Prob(n) is obtained.

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Prob}(2) &= 1, \text{ and} \\ \operatorname{Prob}(l) &\geq 1 - \left(1 - p_l \cdot \operatorname{Prob}\left(\left\lceil 1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}\right\rceil\right)\right)^2 \\ &\geq 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{Prob}\left(\left\lceil 1 + \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}\right\rceil\right)\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

• Prob satisfying the recurrence is in:

$$\Theta \frac{1}{\log_2^n}$$

 O(log₂ⁿ) repetitions of the algorithm REPTREE are sufficient in order to compute a minimal cut with a constant probability.

Algorithm RepTree

Complexity

- $O((\log_2^n)^2)$ repetitions suffice to reduce the non-success probability to a function tending to 0 with growing n and one can consider this algorithm applicable.
- So, The complexity of $REPTREE_{(\log_2^n)^2}$ is in:

$$O(n^2.(\log_{2} n)^3)$$

Algorithm RepTree

complexity Comparison

• The complexity of $REPTREE_{(\log_2^n)^2}$ is in:

$$O(n^2.(\log_{2^n})^3)$$

which is substantially better than the complexity

$$O(n^3)$$

of the best deterministic algorithm and the complexity

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Repeated Random Sampling and Satisfiability

Combination amplification and random sampling

- Combine amplification and random sampling with local search in order to design:
- A randomized algorithm that can solve the 3-satisfiability problem (3SAT).

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SCHONING

Algorithm SCHONING

- Input: A formula F in 3CNF over n Boolean variables.
- Step 1: NUMBER := 0; ATMOST := X; FOUND := FALSE;
- Step 2: while NUMBER < ATMOST and FOUND = FALSE do begin

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NUMBER := NUMBER + 1; Generate at random an assignment \alpha \in \{0, 1\}^n;
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if F is satisfied by then FOUND := TRUE;

Algorithm SCHONING Cont

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• M := 0;
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• while M < 3.n and FOUND = FALSE do

begin

M := M + 1; Find a clause C that is not satisfied by α .

Pick one of the literals of C at random, and flip the value of its variable.

if α satisfies F then

FOUND := TRUE;

end

end

Step 3: if FOUND = TRUE then

output: F is satisfiable.

output: F is not satisfiable. else

Algorithm SCHONING

SCHONING is a 1MC algorithm for 3SAT

Let F be not satisfiable. Then, the algorithm SCHONING does not find any assignment that satisfies F and outputs the correct answer:

F is not satisfiable with certainty.

2 Let F be satisfiable.

To prove a lower bound on the success probability of SCHONING; we analyze the probability of finding a certain assignment α^* that satisfies F. Let α and β be two assignments.

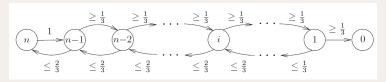
 $Dist(\alpha, \beta)$ between α and β as the number of bits in which they differ.

Class(j) = {
$$\beta \in \{0,1\}^n | Dist(\alpha^*,\beta) = j$$
}.

$$|Class(j)| = \binom{n}{j}$$

SCHONING

Algorithm SCHONING



 \bullet The probability of moving from vertex j to vertex j-1 in one local search step is at least $\frac{1}{3}$

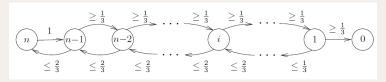
$$Class(j) = \{\beta \in \{0,1\}^n | Dist(\alpha^*,\beta) = j\}.$$

$$|Class(j)| = \binom{n}{j}$$

The probability $q_{j,i}$ that the algorithm SCHONING starting in the Class (j) (in the vertex j) reaches α^* (the vertex 0) in exactly j + 2i local steps.

SCHONING

Algorithm SCHONING



• j +i steps toward α^* and i steps in the opposite direction (toward the vertex n). Since:

$$j + 2i \leq 3.n$$

- The movement of the algorithm during the j+2i steps on the graph by a word (string) in $\{+, -\}^{j+2i}$.
- The number of words over $\{+, -\}$ of length j + 2i with exactly i symbols is

$$\binom{j+2.i}{i}$$

 Only those words correspond to possible runs for which every suffix contains at least as many + symbols as - symbols.

$$\frac{j}{j+2i} \cdot \binom{j+2.i}{i}$$

 Since the symbol + occurs with a probability of at least 1/3 and the symbol occurs with a probability of at most 2/3,

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\operatorname{Event}(w)) \ge \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{j+i} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{i}$$

So

$$q_{j,i} \ge \frac{1}{j+2i} \cdot {j+2 \cdot i \choose i} \cdot {1 \choose 3}^{j+i} \cdot {2 \choose 3}^{i}$$

• q_j be the probability of reaching α^* from an $\alpha \in \text{Class}(j)$ in at most 3n local steps.

$$q_j \ge \sum_{i=0}^j q_{j,i}$$

$$q_{j} \geq \sum_{i=0}^{j} \left[\frac{1}{j+2i} \cdot {j+2 \cdot i \choose i} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{j+i} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{i} \right]$$
$$> \frac{1}{3} \cdot {3 \cdot j \choose j} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2 \cdot j} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{j}$$

Stirling formula

$$r! = \sqrt{2\pi r} \left(\frac{r}{e}\right)^r \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{12r} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^2}\right)\right) \sim \sqrt{2\pi r} \cdot \left(\frac{r}{e}\right)^r$$

Inserting the Stirling formula

$$q_{j} \geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{(3 \cdot j)!}{(2 \cdot j)! \cdot j!} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2 \cdot j} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{j}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 3j} \cdot \left(\frac{3 \cdot j}{e}\right)^{3 \cdot j}}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 2j} \cdot \left(\frac{2 \cdot j}{e}\right)^{2 \cdot j} \cdot \sqrt{2\pi j} \cdot \left(\frac{j}{e}\right)^{j}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2 \cdot j} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{j}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2 \cdot \sqrt{\pi j}} \cdot \frac{3^{3 \cdot j}}{2^{2 \cdot j}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2 \cdot j} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{j}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \cdot \sqrt{3\pi j}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j}.$$

•
$$p_j = \binom{n}{j}/2^n$$
, $q_j \ge \frac{1}{2.\sqrt{3\pi j}}.(\frac{1}{2})^j$

• Probability of SCHONING finds α^* by a random sample followed by a local search of at most 3n steps $\geq \sum_{i=0}^{n} p_i \cdot q_i$

$$p > \sum_{j=0}^{n} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n} \cdot \binom{n}{j} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot \sqrt{3\pi j}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{j} \right) \right]$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2 \cdot \sqrt{3\pi n}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n} \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{n} \left[\binom{n}{j} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{j} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \cdot \sqrt{3\pi n}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{n}$$

$$\bullet = \frac{1}{2.\sqrt{3\pi n}}.\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n = \tilde{p}$$

The probability that the algorithm does not find any assignment satisfying
 F by one random sample followed by the considered local search is at most:

$$1 - \tilde{p}$$

 The error probability after t independent attempts of the algorithm is at most:

$$(1-\tilde{p})^t \leq e^{-\tilde{p}.t}$$

• Since :
$$\tilde{p} = \frac{1}{2.\sqrt{3\pi n}}.\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$$

• Taking t = ATMOST = $20.\sqrt{3\pi n}.\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^n$ and inserting it into $(1-\tilde{p})^t \leq e^{-\tilde{p}.t}$:

$$Error_{SCHONING}(F) \le (1 - \tilde{p})^t \le e^{-10} < 5.10^{-5}$$

Thus, we have proved that the algorithm SCHONING is a one-sided-error Monte Carlo algorithm for 3SAT.

Algorithm SCHONING

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Time Complexity

 The algorithm SCHONING is a 1MC algorithm for the 3SAT-problem that runs in time:

$$O(|F|.n^{3/2}.(\frac{4}{3})^n)$$

for any instance F of n variables.

Proof

- Step $2 \Rightarrow X = ATMOST = 20.\sqrt{3\pi n}.\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^n$
- Each local search consists of at most 3n steps.
- Each step can be performed in time O(|F|). So \Longrightarrow Time Complexity of Algorithm SCHONING is:

$$O(|F|.n^{3/2}.(\frac{4}{3})^n)$$

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Appendix

Lemma A.3.69

- Word (i, j) denote the set of all strings (words) over the alphabet $\{+, -\}$ of length j + 2i > 0, j > 0, that have the following properties:
 - (i) The number of symbols 1 is exactly j +i (i.e., the number of 0s is exactly i)
 - (ii) every suffix of the string contains more 1s than 0s.

Then:
$$|Word(i,j)| = {j+2i \choose i} \cdot \frac{j}{j+2i}$$

Lemma A.3.69

proof by induction

- (i) We prove the claim for $n \le 3$:
- Word (0, j):

$$\binom{j}{0} \cdot \frac{j}{j} = 1$$

• Word $(1, 1) = \{011\}$

$$\binom{j}{0} \cdot \frac{j}{j} = 1$$

$$\binom{3}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

(ii) Let
$$n > 3$$
.

• Word (i, j) beginning with the symbol 1 is exactly

$$|Word(i, j-1)| = {j-1+2i \choose i} \cdot \frac{j-1}{j-1+2i}$$

• The number of words in Word (i, j) that start with 0 is:

$$|Word(i-1,j+1)| = {j+1+2(i-1) \choose i-1} \cdot \frac{j+1}{j+1+2(i-1)}$$

• Now, we distinguish two cases, namely j = 1 and j > 1.

(ii).1 Let
$$j = 1$$
.

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{Word}\,(i,1)\,| &= |\text{Word}\,(i-1,2)\,| \\ &= \binom{2+2(i-1)}{i-1} \cdot \frac{2}{2(i-1)+2} \\ &= \binom{2i}{i-1} \cdot \frac{1}{i} = \frac{(2i)!}{(i-1)! \cdot (i+1)!} \cdot \frac{1}{i} \\ &= \frac{(2i)! \cdot (2i+1)}{i! \cdot (i+1)! \cdot (2i+1)} = \binom{2i+1}{i} \cdot \frac{1}{2i+1} \\ &= \binom{j+2i}{i} \cdot \frac{1}{j+2i} \end{aligned}$$

(ii).2 Let j > 1.

$$\begin{split} |\text{Word}\,(i,j)\,| &= |\text{Word}\,(i,j-1)\,| + |\text{Word}\,(i-1,j+1)\,| \\ &= \binom{j-1+2i}{i} \cdot \frac{j-1}{2i+j-1} \\ &\quad + \binom{j+1+2(i-1)}{i-1} \cdot \frac{j+1}{2(i-1)+j+1} \\ &= \binom{j-1+2i}{j-1+i} \frac{j-1}{2i+j-1} \\ &\quad + \binom{j+2i-1}{i-1} \cdot \frac{j+1}{2i+j-1} \\ &= \frac{j}{2i+j} \cdot \binom{j+2i}{j+i} \\ &\quad \cdot \left(\frac{(j-1)(j+i)}{j\cdot(2i+j-1)} + \frac{(j+1)\cdot i}{j\cdot(2i+j-1)} \right) \\ &= \frac{j}{2i+j} \cdot \binom{j+2i}{j+i} \\ &= \binom{j+2i}{i} \cdot \frac{j}{j+2i}. \end{split}$$

Random Sampling and Generating Quadratic Nonresidues

Some Problem

- (1) One does not know any deterministic polynomial-time algorithm, and
- 2 There are no proofs presenting their NP-hardness.

Designing an efficient Las Vegas algorithm for a problem with properties (1) and (2).

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quadratic nonresidue

• A quadratic residue in the field \mathbb{Z}_p is any element $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ such that:

$$a \equiv x^2 \mod p$$

for an $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$.

• A quadratic nonresidue is any number $b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ such that:

$$d^2 \not\equiv b \mod p$$

for all $d \in \mathbb{Z}_p$.

modulus	quadratic residues	quadratic non-residues
2	0,1	(none)
3	0,1	2
4	0,1	2,3
5	0,1,4	2,3
6	0,1,3,4	2,5
7	0,1,2,4	3,5,6
8	0,1,4	2,3,5,6,7

Generation of a quadratic nonresidue

- Input: A prime p > 2.
- Output: A quadratic nonresidue modulo p.

Quadratic nonresidue

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Theorem 5.4.14.Eulers Criterion

Let p, with p > 2, be a prime. For every a \in {1,2,...,p-1},

• (i) if a is a quadratic residue modulo p, then

$$a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

• (ii) if a is a quadratic nonresidue modulo p, then

$$a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv p - 1 \pmod{p}$$

Theorem 5.4.15.

For every odd prime p, exactly half of the nonzero elements of \mathbb{Z}_p are quadratic residues modulo p.

Solve the problem by random sampling

(A)

 For every prime p and every a ∈ Z_p, one can efficiently decide (in a deterministic way) whether a is a quadratic residue or a quadratic nonresidue modulo p.

(B)

• For every prime p exactly half of the elements of $\mathbb{Z}_p - \{0\}$ are quadratic nonresidues, i.e., a random sample from $\{1, 2, ..., p-1\}$ provides a quadratic nonresidue with probability 1/2.

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Algorithm NQUAD

- Input: A prime p.
- Step 1: Choose uniformly an a $\in \{1, 2, ..., p-1\}$ at random.
- Step 2: Compute:

$$A := a^{(p-1)/2} \bmod p$$

by the method of repeated squaring.

Step 3:
 if A = p - 1 then output a else output ?

The above proved claims (A) and (B) imply that

- (i) NQUAD does not make any error, and
- (ii) NQUAD finds a quadratic nonresidue with the probability 1/2.

THE **END**