

Testing dense graphs

- bipartiteness

## Adjacency Matrix model:

$G$  represented by matrix  $A$   
s.t. can query  $A$  in one step



$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i,j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

## Distance from property $\mathcal{P}$ :

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

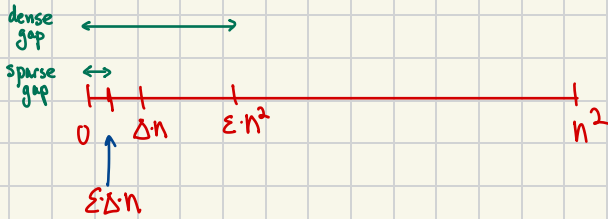
testing "sparse" properties e.g. connectivity:

all graphs  $\epsilon$ -close to connected in this model

$\Rightarrow$  trivial tester outputs "PASS" on all inputs  
satisfies requirements of tester

Graph type	max degree	natural representation	notion of distance (changed edges)
sparse	$\Delta$	adjacency list	$\leq \varepsilon \cdot \Delta \cdot n$
dense	$n$	adjacency matrix	$\leq \varepsilon \cdot n^2$

↑  
easier to detect?



## Bipartiteness definitions

• can color nodes red/blue st. no edge monochromatic

||| equivalent definitions!

• can partition nodes into  $(V_1, V_2)$  st.

$\exists e \in E$  st.  $u, v \in V_1$  } "violating edge"  
"  $(u, v)$  or  $u, v \in V_2$  }

not bipartite  $\Rightarrow \forall (V_1, V_2) \exists$  "violating edge"

$\epsilon$ -far from bipartite:

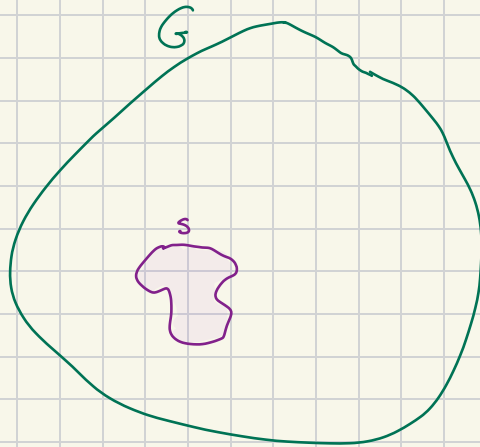
• must remove  $> \epsilon n^2$  edges to make bipartite

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•  $\forall$  partitions  $(V_1, V_2)$  at least  $\epsilon n^2$  violating edges

# Testing Algorithms

- Test exact bipartiteness: e.g. BFS  $\Theta(n)$
- Sparse graph testing  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$
- Proposed property testing algorithm (dense graphs):
  - pick  $O(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon})$  size sample of nodes  $S$
  - consider induced graph on  $S$   $\leftarrow$  only edges between  $u, v \in S$   
if bipartite output PASS  $\leftarrow$  e.g. BFS on tiny graph  
else output FAIL



Actually works!!

# A first attempt at a proof?

if  $G$  bipartite, induced graph on  $S$  bipartite, so algorithm passes ✓

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

must remove  $> \epsilon n^2$  edges to make it bipartite

equivalently:

$\forall$  partition  $V_1, V_2$  have  $> \epsilon n^2$  violating edges

( $> \epsilon$  fraction of adj matrix slots)

$\Rightarrow \forall (V_1, V_2)$  a sample of edges of size  $\geq \Theta(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\delta})$

hits a viol. edge for  $V_1, V_2$

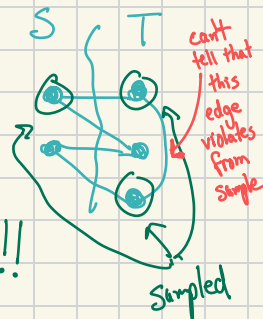
with prob  $\geq 1 - (1 - \epsilon)^{\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\delta}} \geq 1 - e^{-\log \frac{1}{\delta}} = 1 - \delta$

pick  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$  samples  
st.  $c=1$

Great!!! we hit violating edges!!!

Issue #1: how do you know that you will see  
the violation?

note: no single edge violates all partitions!!



Lets try to use "partition" defn of bipartiteness:

- horrible time complexity
- but maybe query complexity ok?

Algorithm 0

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

$\forall$  partitions  $(V_1, V_2)$  of  $V$ :

$\text{violating}_{(V_1, V_2)} \leftarrow \# \text{ violating edges in sample wrt } V_1, V_2$

If  $\forall (V_1, V_2) \text{ violating}_{(V_1, V_2)} > 0$  then output FAIL  
else output PASS

if  $G$  bipartite:

bipartition  $(V_1, V_2)$  will have  $\text{violating}_{(V_1, V_2)} = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  output PASS

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

will fail if see violations for all partitions.  
how many samples do we need??

## Issue #2 :

Wait! how small should  $\delta$  be?

Recall all partitions are bad

But if any partition "looks" good, the algorithm outputs PASS

$\Pr$ [any partition "looks" good]: i.e. avoids violating edge

for one partition  $(V_1, V_2)$ ,  $\Pr[(V_1, V_2) \text{ looks good}] \leq \delta$

for all partitions  $(V_1, V_2)$ ,  $\Pr[\text{any } (V_1, V_2) \text{ looks good}] \leq 2^n \cdot \delta$

$\Rightarrow$  need  $\delta \ll 2^{-n}$

union bnd  
over  
 $2^n$  partitions

so need # samples of nodes

$$S = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\delta} \log \frac{1}{\delta}\right) = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\delta} \log 2^n\right) = \Theta\left(\frac{n}{\delta}\right)$$

$\uparrow$  query edges =  $O(S^2) = \Theta\left(\frac{n^2}{\delta^2}\right)$  not sublinear

do we need union bnd?

do we need to check all partitions?

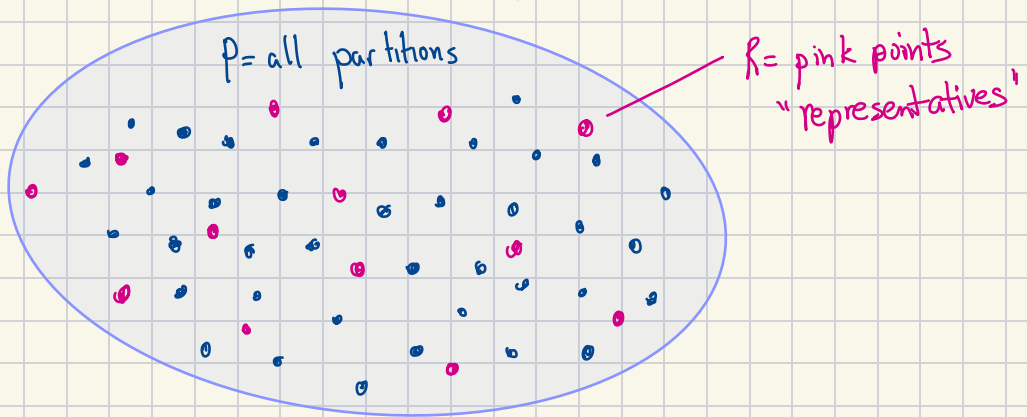
idea find (fewer) "representative" partitions



# Approach for issue #2:

Plan Consider small set of representative partitions

$$|P| = 2^n$$



Useful  $R$ :

- $R \subseteq P$
- $|R| \ll |P|$  ← allows to union bound over much smaller set
- every  $p \in P$  close to some  $r \in R$ :  
 $\forall p \in P, \exists r \in R \text{ st. } \text{dist}(p, r) \leq \epsilon'$  ← this property allows us to show that smaller set is still "meaningful"

What does this give us:

- (1) if  $p \in P$  is bipartition,  $\exists r \in R$  with few ( $\leq \epsilon'$ ) violations
- (2) if  $\forall p \in P$ ,  $p$  is  $\epsilon$ -far from bipartition then, since  $R \subseteq P$ ,  
 $\forall r \in R$ ,  $p$  is  $\epsilon$ -far from bipartition

## Plan (continued)

Find "representative" partitions  $R$  st. all partitions in  $\mathcal{P}$  are  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ -close to some representative in  $R \subseteq \mathcal{P}$

- if  $G$   $\varepsilon$ -far from bipartite then  $\forall$  partitions there are  $> \varepsilon n^2$  violating edges

$\Rightarrow \forall$  representative partitions, have  $> \varepsilon n^2$  violating edges (since  $R \subseteq \mathcal{P}$ )

- if  $G$  bipartite then  $\exists$  partition with 0 violating edges

$\Rightarrow \exists$  representative partition with  $< 0 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} n^2$   
 $= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} n^2$  violating edges

# Approach for issue #2: test the partition!

## Algorithm 1

1. Pick  $U, U'$  randomly from  $V$

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

use to define  $R$ , set of partitions

use to test partitions  
think of  $U' = \{u_1, v_1, u_2, v_2, \dots\}$

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

if  $U$  not bipartite, FAIL  $\leftarrow O(|W|)$  queries

2.  $\forall$  bipartitions of  $U$  into  $U_1, U_2$ :

$\leq 2^{|U|}$  of these but not  $2^n$

• define oracle (see below) which partitions graph into  $Z_1, Z_2$  based on  $U_1, U_2$

•  $\forall u \in U'$  call oracle to see if  $u \in Z_1$  or  $Z_2$

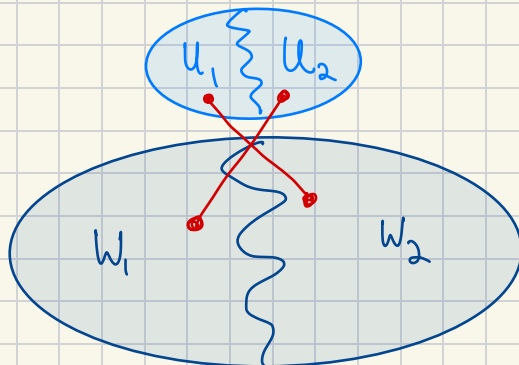
• count  $\# \{(u, v) \in W \text{ violating } Z_1, Z_2\}$

if  $\leq \frac{3}{4} \epsilon$  fraction output PASS

else continue to next partition

$\leftarrow$  why pass if  $\geq 0$  violations?  
note we don't check all partitions.

3. FAIL



Given partition of  $U$  into  $U_1, U_2$ , define ORACLE  
to partition whole graph:

Query: node  $v$

Oracle answer:  $Z_1$  or  $Z_2$  or "bad partition"

Oracle algorithm:

output  $Z_1$  if

$v \in U_1$

$v$  has nbr in  $U_2$  but not in  $U_1$

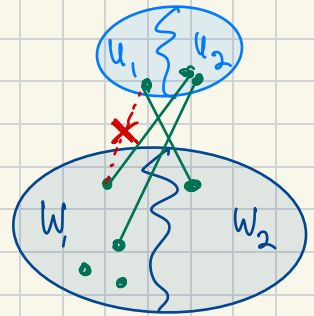
$v$  has no nbr in  $U_1$  or  $U_2$

else output  $Z_2$  if

$v \in U_2$

$v$  has nbr in  $U_1$  but not  $U_2$

else output "bad partition"  $\leftarrow$  only get here if have nbr  
to both  $U_1$  &  $U_2$



$Z_1 = U_1 \vee W_1$

$Z_2 = U_2 \vee W_2$

oracle runtime =  $O(|U|)$  per query

algorithm 1 queries =  $O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} \cdot \frac{1}{\epsilon} 2 \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$

algorithm 1 runtime =  $O\left(2^{\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}} \times \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$

no dependence on  $n$   
can improve dependence on  $\epsilon$

(can reuse same queries for each partition)

(since need to try every partition)

## Behavior

need to show that if  $G$  bipartite, likely to pass  
+ if  $G$   $\varepsilon$ -far from bipartite, likely to fail

if  $G$   $\varepsilon$ -far from bipartite: does it fail?

- all partitions  $z_1, z_2$  including those tested by algorithm have  $> \varepsilon n^2$  violating edges
- $\forall z_1, z_2$   $\Pr$ [fraction of violating edges in  $W \leq \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon]$   
 $\ll \frac{1}{8 \cdot 2^{|U|}}$   
(Chernoff bnd)

$$\Pr[\text{Pass}] = \Pr[\text{any } z_1, z_2 \text{ passes}]$$
$$\leq 2^{|U|} \cdot \frac{1}{8 \cdot 2^{|U|}} \ll \frac{1}{8} \quad (\text{since } |U| \gg |U|)$$

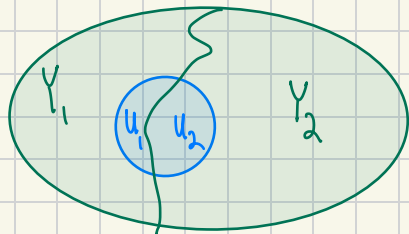
union bound over much smaller set

If  $G$  bipartite: does it pass?

Let  $(Y_1, Y_2)$  be bipartite partition

#violating edges = 0

Given sample  $U$ ,  
partition according to  $Y_1, Y_2$



$$U_1 \leftarrow U \cap Y_1$$

$$U_2 \leftarrow U \cap Y_2$$

Use  $(U_1, U_2)$  to define partition of  $V$  into  $Q_1^{(U_1, U_2)}, Q_2^{(U_1, U_2)}$   
don't actually compute it, but can access it  
(similar to LCA)

Question how similar is  $(Y_1, Y_2)$  to  $(Q_1^{(U_1, U_2)}, Q_2^{(U_1, U_2)})$   
↑  
#violating edges  
get from oracle to be defined soon

Given partition of  $U$  into  $U_1, U_2$ ,

define Oracle to partition whole graph:

Query node  $v$

Oracle answer  $Z_1, Z_2$  or  
"bad partition"

Oracle algorithm

output  $Z_1$  if

$v \in U_1$

$v$  has a nbr in  $U_2$  but not  $U_1$

$v$  has no nbr in  $U$

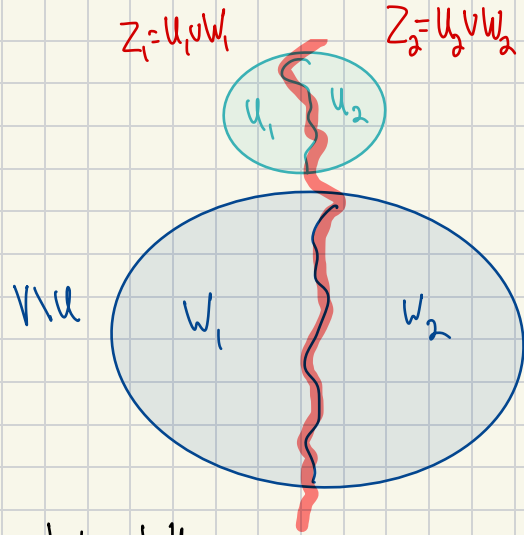
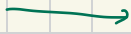
else output  $Z_2$  if

$v \in U_2$

$v$  has nbr in  $U_1$  but not  $U_2$

else output "bad partition"

only place  
where  
 $Y_1 + Y_2$   
can  
differ



Runtime:  $O(|U|)$  per query

# violating edges in  $(Q_1^{(u_1, u_2)}, Q_2^{(u_1, u_2)})$

$\leq 0$  + # edges adjacent to any  $v$  that has no nbr in  $U$

*# violating edges in  $(Y_1, Y_2)$*

*divide into 2 groups:*

$A = \{v \text{ st. } \deg(v) < \frac{\epsilon}{4} n\}$  "small degree"

$B = V \setminus A$  "high degree"

$\leq \frac{\epsilon}{4} n \cdot n$  +  $n \cdot \boxed{\epsilon n / 4}$

*max deg in A*      *upper bound on size of A*

*max degree in B*      *upper bound on size of B*

*see below for  $\epsilon n / 4$*

$\otimes$



recall:  $U$  is random sample of size  $\Theta(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon})$

$$B_u = \{v \text{ st. } \deg(v) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{4}n \text{ \& } v \text{ has no nbr in } U\}$$

Lemma  $\Pr_u [ |B_u| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{4}n ] \geq 7/8$

Proof  $\forall v$  of  $\deg \geq \frac{\epsilon}{4}n$  set  $b_v \leftarrow \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v \in B_u \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} E[b_v] &= \Pr[b_v = 1] \\ &= \left( \Pr[\textit{i}^{\text{th}} \text{ node of } U \text{ isn't nbr of } v] \right)^{|U|} \\ &\leq \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{4} \right)^{|U|} \\ &\quad \text{\color{red} \small \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \text{by high degree} \\ \text{of } v \end{array}} \\ &\leq \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{4} \right)^{\Theta(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log \frac{1}{\epsilon})} \leq \frac{\epsilon}{32} \end{aligned}$$

$$E[\sum_{\substack{v \text{ st.} \\ \deg(v) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{4}n}} b_v] \leq \frac{\epsilon n}{32} \quad \text{so} \quad \Pr[\sum b_v \geq \underbrace{\frac{8\epsilon n}{32}}_{\frac{\epsilon n}{4}}] \leq \frac{1}{8} \quad \text{by Markov's}$$

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Recap:

# violating edges in  $(Q_1, Q_2)$  in  $(u_1, u_2)$

$\leq 0$  + # edges adjacent to any  $v$

# violating edges in  $(Y_1, Y_2)$

that has no nbr in  $U$

divide into 2 groups:

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$$\leq \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon}{4} n}_{\text{max deg in A}} \cdot \underbrace{n}_{\text{upper bound on size of A}} + n \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon n}{4}}_{\text{max degree in B}} \underbrace{\text{(from above)}}_{\text{upper bound on size of B (with prob } \geq 7/8)} \leq \frac{\epsilon n^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[\text{fraction of edges in } Q \text{ violating } W_1, W_2] \leq \epsilon/2$$

So (using Chernoff + samples)

$$\Pr[\text{fraction of edges in } Q \text{ violating } W_1, W_2 \geq \frac{3\epsilon}{4}] << 1/8$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr[\text{output fail}]$$

$$\leq \Pr_u[\text{output fail} \mid |B_u| > \frac{\epsilon}{4}n] \cdot \Pr_u[|B_u| > \frac{\epsilon}{4}n]$$

$$+ \Pr_u[\text{output fail} \mid |B_u| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{4}n] \cdot \Pr_u[|B_u| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{4}n]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$$



Comment

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