

Recall (CIP) $\min \{c^T x : Fx \geq b, 0 \leq x \leq d, x \text{ int}\}$

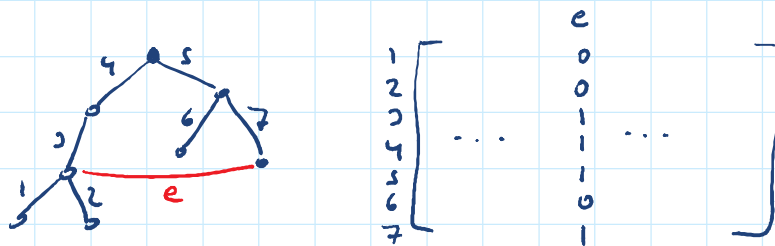
(CCIP) $\min \{c^T x : F[S]x \geq b, 0 \leq x \leq d, x \text{ int}\}$

Thm 1 CCIP has $O(n+G)$ -apx if underlying $0,1$ -CIP and PCIP have int. gap δ and G , respectively.

Remaining Q Suppose A is $m \times n$ $0,1$ network matrix. Can CCIP be approx. well?

Def: Call A a tree-fundamental cycle (TFC) matrix if $\exists G=(V,E)$ and tree $T \subseteq E$ s.t. A has row for each $e \in T$ and G . for each $e \in E \setminus T$ and

$$A_{e,e'} = \begin{cases} 1 & : e \text{ on fund cycle in } T+e' \\ 0 & : \text{othw.} \end{cases}$$



note: every $0,1$ -netw. matrix is a TFC matrix (not converse)

Thm 2 [Chan, Grant, K., Sharpe '12]

A TFC matrix \Rightarrow underlying PCIP has $O(1)$

integrality gap

\Rightarrow [CGK'15] O(1)-apx for CCIP when Γ TFC matrix

Thm 2 is proved using geometric ideas. Canonical problem

X : collection of points in a fixed dim Euclidean space

\mathcal{S} : collection of objects - disks, squares, half-spaces...

Goal: find min-card (min-cut) collection $C \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ that covers all of X

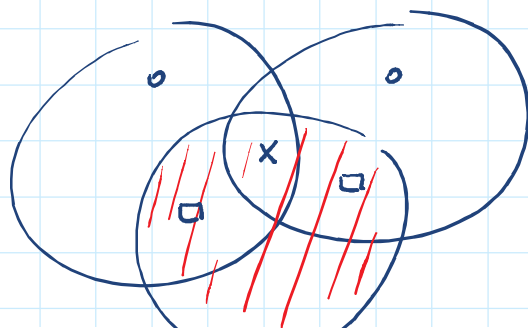
Lot's of work here. Key insights:

int-gap of canonical set-cover LP linked to existence of small ϵ -nets

Call a point $p \in X$ L -deep if p is in L sets in \mathcal{S} .

Let $|\mathcal{S}| = N$ and $L \in \mathbb{N}$, $L \leq N$. Then $C \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ is an L/N -net if C covers all $\geq L$ -deep points in X .


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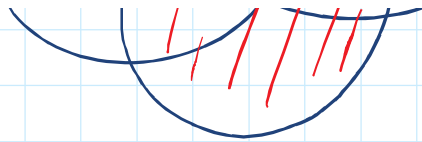



x : 3-deep

\square : 2-deep

\circ : 1-deep

 $\frac{2}{3}$ -net



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[Brönniman & Goodrich '95]

Standard set cover LP has integrality gap $O(h(\tau^*))$ if there are L/N -nets of size $O(N/L \cdot h(N/L))$ for some function h .

$$\tau^* = \min \{ \mathbb{1}^T x : Ax \geq \mathbb{1}, x \geq 0, x \text{ int} \}$$

⇒ Central idea to approx. geometric problems is to find small ϵ -nets

[Clarkson '87] [Hanslov, Ural '87]

L/N -nets of size $O(N/L \log N/L)$ exists for many set families (e.g.: triangles, rectangles, disks)

Union Complexity

Combinatorial complexity of the union of n objects in \mathcal{S}

Combinatorial complexity \equiv # simple regions in a canonical decomposition of exterior of union of n objects needs to be at most its **union complexity** $f(n) \Rightarrow$ [Clarkson, Shar '89]

[Clarkson & Varadarajam '87]

union complexity $O(n h(n)) \Rightarrow$

$\exists L/N$ -nets of size $O(N/L \cdot h(N/L))$

[Varadarajam '89] improvement to $O(N/L \log h(N/L))$

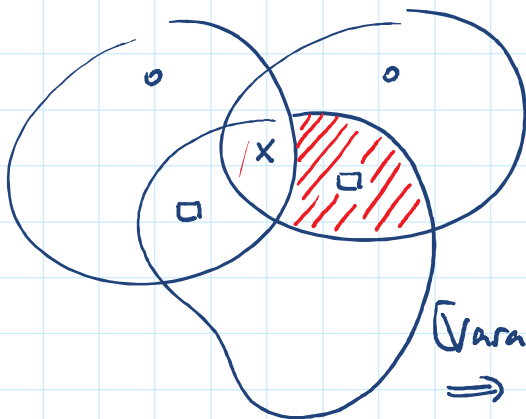
ex: • a triangle is δ -fat if radius of smallest
encl. circle to largest innr circle is $\leq \delta$
 δ -fat triangles for $\delta = O(1)$ have
 $O(n \log \log n)$ union bound
 $\Rightarrow \frac{L}{N}$ nb of st $O(\frac{N}{L} \log \log \frac{N}{L})$
 (improv to $O(\frac{N}{L} \log \log \log N$ [Va'09]
 and further in Ezra et al. '11)

- Axis parallel unit cubes in \mathbb{R}^3
have union complexity $O(n)$
 $\Rightarrow O(1)$ -apk
- n disks in \mathbb{R}^2 have union complexity $O(n)$
 $\Rightarrow O(1)$ -apk

[Varadaraj ~ '10] Extend to weighted setting

We use ideas for V10 to prove Thm 2.

Cell Complexity a cell is a collection of points
that are covered by the
same sets.



Depth of a cell: # sets
covering its points

[Varadaraj ~ '10] low union complexity
 \Rightarrow small number of cells of
large depth
crucial in his algo

Details Combinatorial view

Let A be 0,1-matrix. Rows A_i, A_j are equivalent if $A_i = A_j$.

Cells of A : equivalence classes.

cell 2 \rightarrow $\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 11 & 00 & & \\ 00 & 11 & & \\ 11 & 00 & & \\ 00 & 11 & & \end{array} \right]$ cell 1

Depth of a cell is #1s in its row.

Def: $f(n, k)$ non-decreasing function in n and k
 A $M \times N$ 0,1-matrix

A has shallow cell complexity (SCC) f if $\forall 1 \leq k \leq n \leq N$ and for all submatrix A^* of A with n columns the number of cells of depth $\leq k$ is $\leq f(n, k)$.

An instance of set cover has SCC f iff its set-element inc. matrix does.

Examples (i) general binary matrices have SCC $\binom{n}{k}$

(ii) matrices with $[0, 1]$ as submatrix have SCC $k+1$
(0,1 strings of len k with $01 = k+1$)

Lemma 1 TFC matrices have SCC $O(n)$

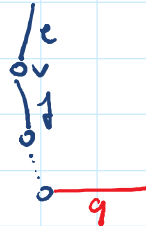
Pf: Suppose G has a vertex v of $\deg = 2$.

(I) $\deg_T(v) = \deg_{EIT}(v) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow v$ leaf of T and e -row of A has
 single '1' in \downarrow -column

(II) $\deg_T(v) = 1, \deg_{EIT}(v) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow e$ -row of A is 0

(III) $\deg_T(v) = 2, \deg_{EIT}(v) = 0$

\Rightarrow non-tree edge q
 contains e iff it contains
 \downarrow \rightarrow fundamental cycle.



\Rightarrow rows for e, \downarrow have same
 0 -pattern

Propose

While G has $\deg = 2$ vertex v
 \rightarrow contract one of its inc. edges $e \in T$
 (i.e.: delete e -row in A)

effect: decrease # vert of G by 1
 delete 0 -row, 1 -row or duplicate row

Resulting graph \tilde{G} has only $\deg \geq 3$ nodes.

$$\Rightarrow 3|V(\tilde{G})| \leq 2|E(\tilde{G})|$$

$$\Rightarrow (|V(\tilde{G})| - 1) \leq 2 \underbrace{(|E(\tilde{G})| - (|V(\tilde{G})| - 1))}_{\text{non-tree edges}} - 3$$

$$= 2n - 3$$

Each iteration of preproc step decreases #vot by 1 and deletes at most one distinct row (Case I & II).

\Rightarrow A has at most $(2n-1) + (n-1) = 3n-4$ distinct rows. \square

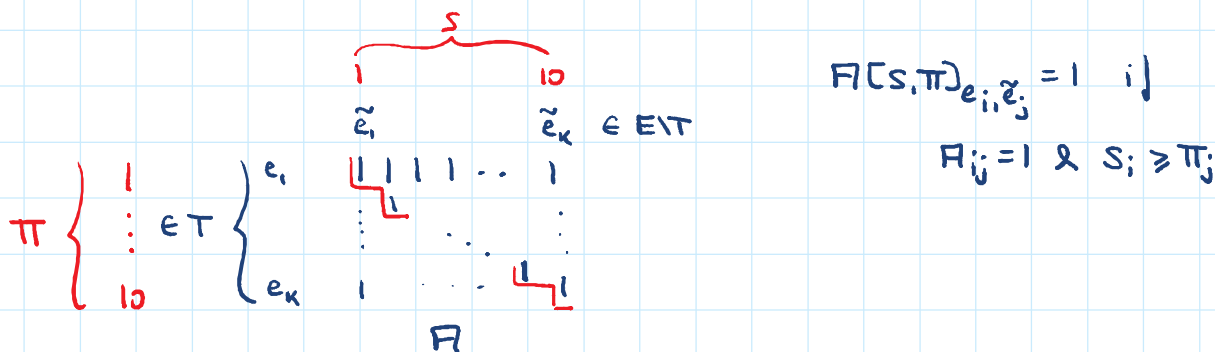
\uparrow paper says $3n-2$?

Lemma 2 TFC matrix A . $A[C_s, \pi]$ has SCC $O(nk)$

Pf: Suppose columns of $A[C_s, \pi]$ are ordered by non-increasing prio s_j .

Effect of adding prio: 0-out a suffix of each row

\Rightarrow Consider a cell of depth $\leq k$ defined by edges $\tilde{e}_1, \dots, \tilde{e}_k \in EIT$ spanning tree edges e_1, \dots, e_k (intersection of fundamental cycles of $\tilde{e}_1, \dots, \tilde{e}_k$)



cell gives rise to $\leq k$ different cells in $A[C_s, \pi]$ \square

Main thm $\phi(n)$ non-decr. function, c constant
Let \mathcal{I} be set conv instances of SCC

$f(n, k) = n \phi(n) k^c$
 $\Rightarrow \exists$ randomized polynomial-time
 $O(\max\{1, \log \phi(n)\})$ -approx for

$$\textcircled{\text{SC}} \min \{ c^T x : Ax \geq \mathbb{1}, x \geq 0, x \text{ int} \}$$

$\uparrow M \times N$

\Rightarrow CCIP with TFC matrices has $\phi(n) = 1, c = 1$
 and hence $O(1)$ -approx.

Pf of main thm

- ① Compute extreme pt sol- x^* to LP relax of $\textcircled{\text{SC}}$
Standard x^* has $\leq M$ positive components

Create set multifamily S^*
 by including $\lfloor 2M x_j^* \rfloor$ copies of each
 "set" j with $x_j^* \geq \frac{1}{2M}$.

note $\forall i \in [M]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\substack{j: x_j^* \geq \frac{1}{2M} \\ A_{ij} = 1}} \underbrace{\lfloor 2M x_j^* \rfloor}_{\geq M x_j^*} &\geq M \cdot \sum_{\substack{j: x_j^* \geq \frac{1}{2M} \\ A_{ij} = 1}} x_j^* \\
 &> M \left(1 - M \cdot \frac{1}{2M} \right) \\
 &= M/2
 \end{aligned}$$

Every element $i \in [M]$ is $L := M/2$ deep in S^* .

- ② Find randomized algo that always produces a correct cover of $[M]$ and includes each

Quasi-uniform sampling

Find randomized algo that always produces a correct cov of $[M]$ and includes each set $j \in S^*$ with

$$p_{\text{incl}} = O\left(\frac{\ell(N)}{L}\right)$$

$$\text{Expected Gro Cost} = O\left(\frac{\ell(N)}{L}\right) \cdot \sum_{j \in S^*} c_j \cdot L^{2M} x_j^*$$

$$\stackrel{L=M/2}{=} O(\ell(N)) \cdot c^T x^*$$

□

Missing Piece: Quasi-uniform Sampling