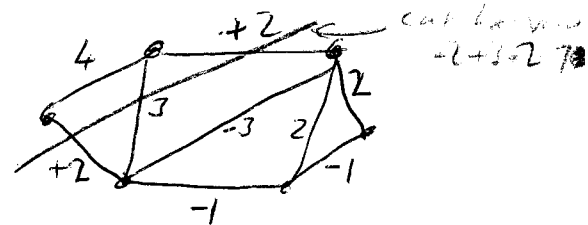


# SEMI DEFINITE PROGRAMMING.

EX: MAXCUT PROBLEM:

Given a graph  $G=(V,E)$  and edge weight  $c_e$ , both positive and negative, divide  $G$  into two parts  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  s.t.  $V_1 \cup V_2 = V, V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$

So as to maximize  $\sum_{e \text{ with one end in } V_1 \text{ and one end in } V_2} c_e$ .



Can model as an integer programming problem:

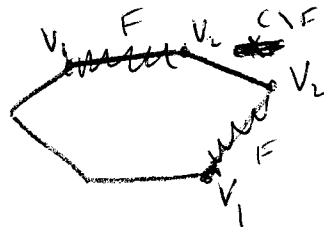
Let  $x$  be the incidence vector of a cut,

$$x_e = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } e \text{ is in the cut} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Solve:  $\max \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e$

s.t.  $x_e$  is the incidence vector of a cut

Cutting planes: Any cut and any cycle intersect in an even number of edges



Get constraints:

$$\sum_{e \in F} x_e - \sum_{e \in C \setminus F} x_e \leq |F| - 1$$

for every cycle  $C$  and every subset  $F \subseteq C$  of odd cardinality.



So, instead of maximizing  $\sum_{e \in \text{cut}} c_e$ ,

we can, instead

$$\min \sum c_{ij} x_i x_j$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_i = \pm 1$$

This is a nonconvex quadratic ~~programming~~ integer programming problem.

Look at relaxations:

$$\text{Let } X = x x^T, \text{ so } X_{ij} = x_i x_j$$

$$C = \{c_{ij}\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \text{trace}(CX) &= \sum_i (CX)_{ii} = \sum_i \left( \sum_j C_{ij} X_{ji} \right) \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j C_{ij} X_{ij} \quad \text{since } X \text{ symmetric} \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j c_{ij} x_i x_j \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So: } \begin{array}{l} \text{equivalent to max cut problem.} \\ \min \text{trace}(CX) \\ \text{s.t. } X = x x^T \\ x_i = \pm 1. \end{array}$$

Note: If  $x_i = \pm 1$  then  $X_{ii} = 1$ .

$$\text{So: } \begin{array}{l} \text{max cut equivalent to:} \\ \min (\text{trace}(CX)) \\ \text{s.t. } X = x x^T, \\ X_{ii} = 1, \forall i. \end{array}$$

$$\text{Equivalent to: } \min (\text{trace}(CX))$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{rank}(X) = 1, \\ X_{ii} = 1 \quad \forall i \\ X \text{ symmetric} \end{array}$$

Relax to:  $\min \text{trace}(CX)$

s.t.  $X$  is positive semi-definite

$$X_{ii} = 1 \quad \forall i.$$

This is a SEMI DEFINITE PROGRAMMING PROBLEM.

It can be solved by an interior point method.

Can show bound given by this is within 0.87856.

(ie, value of max cut  $\geq$  0.87856  $\times$  bound given by this) if all relaxation  $c \geq 0$ .

By contrast, LP relaxation can only prove a bound of 0.5.

(Classic thought was for hard version, but)  
 - graphs where only half the edges were a cut,  
 but all cycles are long (eg length at least 4),  
 so  $x_c = \frac{k-1}{k}$  satisfies all the cycle constraints.

Can get SDP relaxations for other problems.

Eg: There is an SDP relaxation of the node packing problem

that is stronger than the LP relaxations we've looked at, even with

all the families of facets. (I.e., Lovasz theorem).

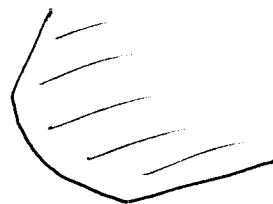
~~Positive~~

Think of elements of  $X$  as one long vector - eg, write the columns one after another.

Instead of having a constraint that the elements should be nonnegative, requires that  $X \succeq 0$ .

Looks like:

Eg:



like piecewise linear boundary with quadratic and linear parts.  
 Feasible region is convex.

Geometric & Williamson Algorithm for ~~SDP~~ Max Cut.

1. Solve the SDP relaxation,  $\min \text{trace}(CX)$   
 obtaining  $X^*$ .  $\text{st. } X \text{ is positive semidefinite, symmetric.}$   
 $X_{ii} = 1 \quad \forall i.$

2. Form a ~~Cholesky~~ factorization  ~~$X^* = LL^T$~~ .  $X^* = VV^T.$

~~(eg, if  $X^*$  is pos definite, choose Cholesky factorization.)~~  
~~Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be rows of  $V$ .~~  
~~Since  $X_{ii} = 1$ , we have  $v_i^T v_i = 1 \quad \forall i.$~~

$V$  is a  $d \times n$  matrix. (If soln to SDP is rank 1, then  $d=1$ )

Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be the ~~rows~~ <sup>columns</sup> of  $V$ .

Note that  $v_i^T v_j = X_{ij}^* = 1$  if  $i=j$ , so all the vectors are unit vectors

3. Generate a random vector  ~~$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$~~   $r \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , on the unit sphere.

4. If  $v_i^T r > 0$ , place vertex  $i$  on side 1 of the cut  
 $< 0$ , place vertex  $i$  on ~~the~~ side 2 of the cut.

Eg: If soln to SDP is  $X^* = xx^T$  for some  $\pm 1$  vector  $x$ ,  
 then we have n vector scalars  $v_i$ , each equal to  $\pm 1$ .

~~If~~ The assignment in ~~Step 4~~ will ~~just~~ ~~the~~ divide the vertices up  
 as specified by  $x$ .

Thm <sup>Assume  $d \geq 0$  and  $n \geq 2$</sup>  Let  $Z_{OPT}$  be the optimal value for the maxcut problem, ~~and let~~  
~~RELAX be the upper bound on the value of the maxcut problem given by the optimal~~  
~~RELAX be the value of the SDP relaxation, and let~~ ~~RELAX~~ <sup>RELAX</sup> be the value of the SDP relaxation, and let  
 $Z_{SDP}$  be the value of the solution returned by this algorithm. Then

$$Z_{SDP} \geq \frac{0.87856(Acc_{max})}{(Acc_{max})} \geq 0.87856(Z_{OPT}).$$

Proof uses properties of Arccos function.

Note: The value of the SDP relaxation is an upper bound on  $Z_{OPT}$ .

In Step 3, the algorithm picks a random vector  $r$ .

With a poor choice of  $r$ , the algorithm may perform worse.

However: (1) The expected value is at least this good.

~~(2) The algorithm can be~~

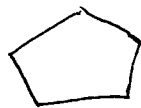
(2) In practice, many vectors  $r$  can be chosen, and the best resulting cut selected.

(3) The algorithm can be DERANDOMIZED, that is, there is a deterministic way to pick  $r$  that is guaranteed to be at least as good as the average.

Theorem (Kåstner) It is NP-hard to approximate MAXCUT with  $\frac{16}{17} + \epsilon \approx 0.94117$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ .

Let RELAX be the upper bound

Conjecture The worst case <sup>ratio</sup>  $\frac{Z_{SDP}}{RELAX}$  of Goemans-Williamson algorithm is 0.88446, given by the 5-cycle.



Value of MAXCUT = 2.

(See, eg, Feige & Schechman, 2002)

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Footnote Note: A similar approach can be used to give a 0.87856 algo for MAX2SAT. Can be extended to a 0.931-approx algo for MAXLSAT. Also to a 0.758-approx algo for MAXSAT.

Strengthening the relaxation.

If  $X = xx^T$  and  $x_i = \pm 1$ , then  $X_{ij} = x_i x_j$  and

$$X_{ij} + X_{jk} + X_{ik} = x_i x_j + x_i x_k + x_j x_k \geq -1$$

Since:  $x_i = x_j = x_k = 1 \Rightarrow x_i x_j + x_i x_k + x_j x_k = 3$   
 or  $x_i = x_j = x_k = -1$

~~$x_i = x_j$~~   
 If exactly one of  $x_i, x_j, x_k = -1$ , others are  $+1$ , then

$$x_i x_j + x_i x_k + x_j x_k = -1$$

If exactly two of  $x_i, x_j, x_k = -1$ , others are  $+1$ , then

$$x_i x_j + x_i x_k + x_j x_k = -1.$$

Similarly:  $X_{ij} - X_{jk} - X_{ik} \geq -1$

Adding these constraints as cutting planes helps computationally  
 (although the theoretical bound is not strengthened.)

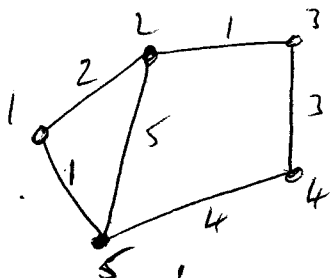
# Branching

Branch using original variables:

~~Eg~~ Split into:  $x_i = x_j$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $i$  and  $j$  on same side of cut  
 $\downarrow$   
~~replace  $c_{ij}$~~   
 remove vertex  $j$ ,  
 replace edges from  $i$  to other vertices with edges with cost  $c_{ik} + c_{jk}$

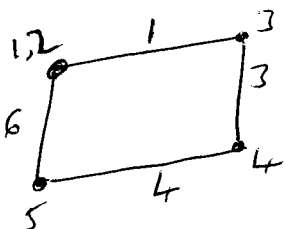
vs  $x_i \neq x_j$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $i$  and  $j$  on opposite sides of the cut.  
 $\downarrow$   
 remove vertex  $j$ ,  
 replace edges from  $i$  to other vertices with edges with cost  $c_{ik} - c_{jk}$   
 add  $\sum_k c_{ij}$  to value of cut.

Eg:



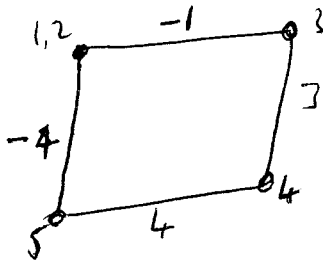
Branch so 1 & 2 on same side of cut.

Get new graph:



Branch so 1 & 2 on opposite sides of cut.

Get new graph:



Add  $1+2+5=8$  to side of cut.

Works since:  $\bar{i}$  = super vertex

$$\sum_k \hat{c}_{ik} x_{ik} = \sum_k (c_{ik} - c_{jk}) (x_{ik}) \quad \text{since } i \text{ is on same side as } \bar{i}$$

$$= \sum_{k \neq i, j} (c_{ik} x_{ik}) - \sum_{k \neq i, j} c_{jk} (1 - x_{jk}) \quad \text{since } x_{jk} = 1 - x_{\bar{i}k}$$

$$= \sum_{k \neq i} c_{ik} x_{ik} + \sum_{k \neq i, j} c_{jk} x_{jk} - \sum_{k \neq i} c_{jk}$$

Handling other problems.

Eg: Equipartition problem:

Need equal numbers of vertices on each side of the cut.

So  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0$ , since half of  $x_i$  are +1  
and half of  $x_i$  are -1.

Write this as  $e^T x = 0$

$$\text{Then } e^T x x^T e = 0$$

ie,  $e^T X e = 0$ , a linear constraint on the elements of  $X$ ,  
namely,  $\sum_{i,j} x_{ij} = 0$ .

Any linear constraint:

$$a^T x = b \quad (b \text{ is a scalar, } a \text{ is a vector})$$

$$\Rightarrow a^T x x^T a = b^2 \quad \Rightarrow a^T X a = b^2. \quad \text{Again, a linear constraint on the elements of } X.$$

LOUASZ  $\theta$  - Number.

Semidefinite programming relaxation for node packing (unweighted)

$$G = (V, E), \quad |V| = n. \quad \text{IP formulation: } \max \sum_{i \in V} x_i$$

st.  $x_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall (i, j) \in E$   
 $x_i$  binary

$X$  is  $n \times n$ .

Assume we have a packing of size  $p$ . Define  $\bar{x}_i = \begin{cases} 1/p & \text{if } i \text{ in packing} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Let  $\bar{X} = \bar{x} \bar{x}^T$

So  $\bar{X}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1/p^2 & \text{if } i, j \text{ both in packing} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$\bar{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{p^2} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} \right\} p \text{ nodes in packing} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} \right\} \text{remaining nodes} \end{matrix}$$

block of  $\frac{1}{p^2}$ 's

# nonzero in  $\bar{X} = p^2$

(records row elements, if nec.)

Sum of entries in  $\bar{X} = p^2 \left(\frac{1}{p^2}\right) = p$ .

$$\text{trace}(\bar{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{X}_{ii} = p \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) + (n-p)(0) = 1.$$

Suggests:  $\max \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}$

st.  $X_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \in E \quad (P\theta)$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ii} = 1$$

$$X \succeq 0.$$

$\bar{X}$  is feasible in this problem, with value  $p$ .

Why does this give a good bound?

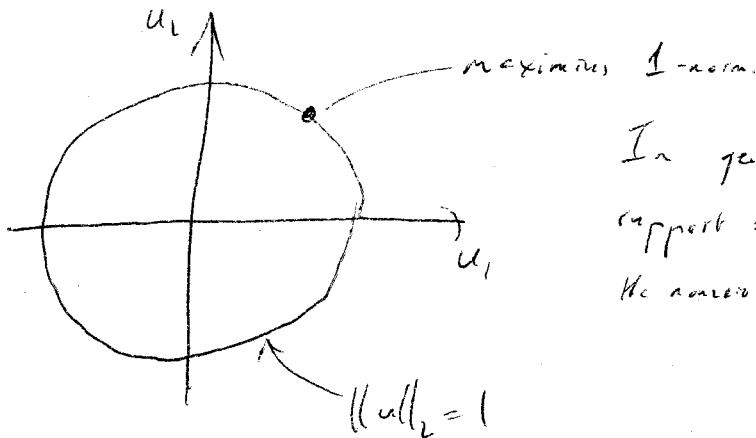
If  $X$  is rank one, so  $X = uu^T$ :

Now,  $X_{ij} = 0$  if  $(i,j) \notin E$ , so the support of  $u$  defines a node packing.

Also,  $\text{trace}(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ii} = \sum u_i^2$ , so  $\|u\|_2 \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n u_i u_j \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

So, we want to maximize the 1-norm of  $u$ ,  
subject to the 2-norm  $\|u\|_2 \leq 1$   
and the support of  $u$  gives a node packing.



In general, if the cardinality of the support of  $u$  is  $p$ , then we want to have the nonzero elements of  $u$  all equal to  $1/p$ .

Dual problem:

A semidefinite program has a dual program that is also an SDP.

$$\text{Eg: } \max \sum_i \sum_j c_{ij} X_{ij} \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_i \sum_j a_{ij}^k X_{ij} = b_k \quad k=1, \dots, m \quad (P) \\ X \succeq 0$$

$$\text{has dual: } \max \sum_k b_k y_k \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_k y_k a_{ij}^k + s_{ij} = c_{ij} \quad \forall i, j \quad (D) \\ S \succeq 0$$

Can write these in matrix terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} X_{ij} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} X_{ji} \quad \text{since } X \text{ symmetric} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (CX)_{ii} \\ &= \text{trace}(CX) \\ &=: C \bullet X \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \sum_i \sum_j a_{ij}^k X_{ij} = \text{trace}(A_k X) = A_k \bullet X$$

S. (P) & (D) are:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & C \bullet X \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A_k \bullet X = b_k \quad k=1, \dots, m \quad (P) \\ & X \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & b^T y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_k y_k A_k + S = C \quad (D) \\ & S \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Look at dual of (P0)

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \min & \tau \\
 \text{s.t.} & \tau \sum_{i,j} s_{ij} = 1 \\
 & y_{ij} - s_{ij} = 1 \quad \text{if } (i,j) \in E \\
 & -s_{ij} = 1 \quad \text{if } (i,j) \notin E \\
 & s_{ij} \geq 0
 \end{array} \quad (D0)$$

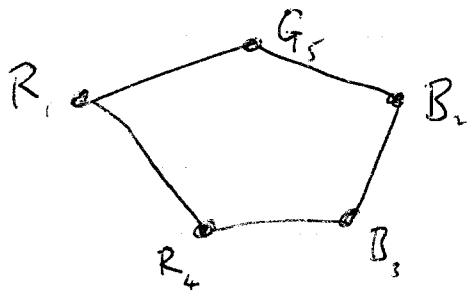
Look at vertex colouring (really, in the complement):

Given a node packing, assign each node a different colour.

For remaining nodes: pick a colour so that if  $(i,j) \notin E$  then  $i$  and  $j$  have different colours.

May need to introduce more colours.

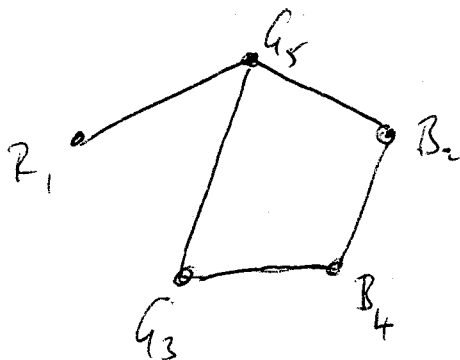
So  $(i,j) \notin E \Rightarrow i, j$  have different colours.



Need three colours here.

Best node packing has size 2.

(odd cycle)



Need three colours.

Best node packing also has three colours.

minimum number of cliques required to cover all the nodes of  $G$ .

So min number of colours  $\geq$  max node packing.

Given a colouring:

Let  $\tau =$  number of colours

Let  $S_{ii} = \tau - 1$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$

Let  $S_{ij} = -1$  if  ~~$(i,j) \in E$~~   $i, j$  have different colors

Let  $S_{ij} = \tau - 1$  if  ~~$(i,j) \in E$~~   $i, j$  have same colors

and  $y_{ij} = \tau$  if  ~~$(i,j) \in E$~~   $i, j$  have same colors

and  $y_{ij} = 0$  if  $i, j$  have different colors.

Let  $\Gamma$  denote the matrix of all ones. (Size may vary)

Write  $S$  as:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} (\tau-1)\Gamma & -\Gamma & & -\Gamma \\ -\Gamma & (\tau-1)\Gamma & & -\Gamma \\ & & \ddots & \\ -\Gamma & -\Gamma & & (\tau-1)\Gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{colour 1} \\ \text{colour 2} \\ \vdots \\ \text{colour } \tau \end{matrix}$$

= sum of  ~~$\binom{\tau}{2}$~~   $\binom{\tau}{2}$  matrices of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & & 0 & \\ & \Gamma & & -\Gamma \\ & & 0 & \\ -\Gamma & & & \Gamma \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Each off-diagonal block shows up once in the sum. Each diagonal block shows up  $(\tau-1)$  times, in combination with each other block on the row)

= sum of  $\binom{\tau}{2}$  psd matrices

$\succeq 0$ .

$S_0 \succeq \tau$  gives an upper bound on the max cut of a node packing.

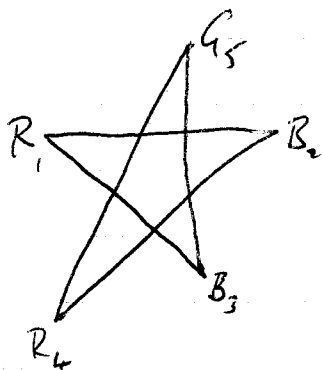
OK since  $i, j$  have same different colors  $\Rightarrow (i,j) \notin \text{complement of } E \Rightarrow (i,j) \in E$ .

## Complementary graphs

$G = (V, E)$  has a complement  $\bar{G} = (V, \bar{E})$ ,  
 where  $(i, j) \in E \Leftrightarrow (i, j) \notin \bar{E}$ .

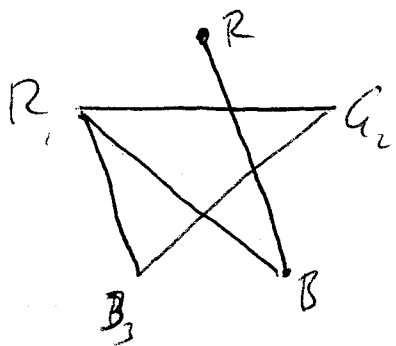
A node packing in  $G$  corresponds to a clique in  $\bar{G}$ .

The colouring we defined in the discussion of (DP) corresponds to the standard node colouring in  $\bar{G}$ .



No clique of size  $> 2$   
 The colouring has size 5

(odd number)



Clique of size 3  
 Colouring with three colours.

Defn A graph  $G = (V, E)$  is PERFECT if the cardinality of the maximum clique  $\omega(G)$  is equal to the minimum number of colours in a colouring of the graph and no two adjacent nodes have the same colour.

Thm A graph is perfect if and only if its complement is perfect (try 59, page 578)

Stronger version: GRAPHS CONJECTURE.

Thm A graph is perfect iff it contains no odd holes and no odd antiholes (CHRISTENSEN, SEYMOUR, ROBERTSON, THORNTON, 2002)

Another SDP relaxation of node packing:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum x_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_i + x_j \leq 1 \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & x_i \text{ binary} \quad \forall i \in V \end{aligned}$$

Multiply each constraint by each  $x_k, 1-x_k$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum x_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_i (x_i + x_j) \leq x_i \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & (1-x_i) (x_i + x_j) \leq 1-x_i \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & x_k (x_i + x_j) \leq x_k \quad \forall (i,j) \in E, \forall k \in V \setminus \{i,j\} \\ & (1-x_k) (x_i + x_j) \leq 1-x_k \quad \forall (i,j) \in E, \forall k \in V \setminus \{i,j\} \\ & x_i \text{ binary} \quad \forall i \in V \end{aligned}$$

Let  ~~$x_i, x_j$~~   $Z = xx^T$ .

Note that  $x_i^2 = x_i$  and  $Z_{ii} = x_i^2, Z_{ij} = x_i x_j$ .

Write problem in terms of  $Z$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum z_{ii} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & z_{ij} \leq 0 \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & z_{ii} + z_{jj} \leq 1 + z_{ij} \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \\ & z_{ik} + z_{jk} \leq z_{kk} \quad \forall (i,j) \in E, \forall k \in V \setminus \{i,j\} \\ & z_{ii} + z_{jj} + z_{kk} \leq 1 + z_{ik} + z_{jk} \quad \forall (i,j) \in E, \forall k \in V \setminus \{i,j\} \\ & Z \succeq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Could also add:  $z_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \forall i, j \in V$   $z_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall (i,j) \in V$   $z_{ii} + z_{jj} \leq 1 + z_{ij} \quad \forall i, j \in V$  (from  $(1-x_i)(1-x_j) \geq 0$ ).

Solving SDPsUse barrier function:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & C \bullet X - \mu \ln \det X & \mu > 0. \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A_k \bullet X = b_k & k = 1, \dots, m \\ & X \succ 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mu \rightarrow 0_+$ .Gradient of objective is  $C - \mu X^{-1}$ .The barrier function is self-concordant, so Newton's method can lead to a solution in  $O(\sqrt{n})$  iterations.

# Duality

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & C \cdot X \\ \text{st.} \quad & A_i \cdot X = b_i, \quad i=1, \dots, m \\ & X \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Lagrangian relaxation:

$$\theta(y) = \min_{X \succeq 0} C \cdot X + \sum_i y_i (b_i - A_i \cdot X)$$

$$\text{or: } \min_{X \succeq 0} b^T y + (C - \sum_i y_i A_i) \cdot X$$

Gives a lower bound for any  $y$ .  
Try to get best lower bound.

$$\max \theta(y) \equiv \max b^T y + \min_{X \succeq 0} (C - \sum_i y_i A_i) \cdot X$$

If  $C - \sum_i y_i A_i$  is psd then  $(C - \sum_i y_i A_i) \cdot X \geq 0 \quad \forall X \succeq 0$ ,  
so min value is zero.

If  $C - \sum_i y_i A_i$  is not psd then  $\exists X \succeq 0$  so that  $(C - \sum_i y_i A_i) \cdot X < 0$ .  
So can drive min to  $-\infty$ .

Thus, Lagrangian dual is:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & b^T y \\ \text{st.} \quad & \sum_i y_i A_i + S = C \\ & S \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Quadratically Constrained Quadratic Programs.

$$\begin{array}{l} \min \frac{1}{2} x^T Q_0 x + c^T x \\ \text{st. } \frac{1}{2} x^T Q_i x + a_i^T x \leq b_i \quad i=1, \dots, m \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \min \\ \text{st.} \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} Q_i \text{ can be} \\ \text{nonconvex.} \end{array}$$

Eg: Max Cut:

$x_i = \pm 1$  can be represented as the constraint  $x_i^2 = 1$ .

Eg: Binary variables  $x_i$  can be represented by  $x_i = x_i^2$ .

Get SDP relaxation:

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c^T \\ c & Q_0 \end{bmatrix} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & X \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{st. } \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -2b_i & a_i^T \\ a_i & Q_i \end{bmatrix} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & X \end{bmatrix} \leq 0 \quad i=1, \dots, m$$

$$X = x x^T.$$

Relax " $X = x x^T$ " to  $X \succeq x x^T$ , which is

equivalent to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & X \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$  (Schur complement)

(Proof: Assume  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & X \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} v_0 \\ v \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & X \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_0 \\ v \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \Rightarrow v_0^2 + 2v_0 v^T x + v^T X v \geq 0$ .

For given  $v$ , LHS is minimized by  $v_0 = -v^T x$ . So  $v^T X v \geq (v^T x)^2$ .

Other direction is similar.)

# Completely Positive Programs.

(Burer, MP 120,  
pp 479-495, 2009.)

DEFN

Closed, full-dimensional convex cone of  $n \times n$  COPOSITIVE MATRICES is

$$C_n := \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : X = X^T, v^T X v \geq 0 \ \forall v \in \mathbb{R}_+^n\}$$

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$$C_n^* := \left\{ X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : X = \sum_{k \in K} z^k (z^k)^T \text{ for some } \right. \\ \left. \text{finite } \{z^k\}_{k \in K} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_+^n \right\}$$

LEMMA

$C_n$  and  $C_n^*$  are dual cones, under the Frobenius inner product.

$$(S_o, C_n^* = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : X \circ Y \geq 0 \ \forall Y \in C_n\},$$

and vice versa.)

(No proof)

$$C_n^* \subseteq S_n \subseteq C_n, \quad S_n = \text{cone of psd } n \times n \text{ matrices.}$$

A completely positive program is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & C \circ X \\ \text{st.} \quad & A_i \circ X = b_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & X \in C_n. \end{aligned}$$

Assume we have a problem of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & c^T x + \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & a_i^T x = b_i, \quad i=1, \dots, m \\ & x \geq 0 \\ & x_j \in \{0, 1\}, \quad \forall j \in B. \end{aligned} \quad (P)$$

Any nonconvex quadratic program with a mixture of binary and continuous variables can be put in this form.

Deleg. this to the theorem  $\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Assume the constraints } a_i^T x = b_i \text{ include the constraints} \\ x_j + s_j = 1 \quad \forall j \in B, \text{ with } s_j \text{ restricted to be nonnegative.} \end{array} \right)$

We can relax (P) by introducing a  $n \times n$  matrix  $X$ .  
Initially set  $X = xx^T$ , and then relax the assumption that  $X$  is rank one

(P) is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & c^T x + \frac{1}{2} Q \bullet X \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & a_i^T x = b_i \quad i=1, \dots, m \\ & a_i^T X a_i = b_i^2 \quad i=1, \dots, m \\ & X = xx^T \\ & x \geq 0 \\ & x_j \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall j \in B \end{aligned}$$

With the relaxation, get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & c^T x + \frac{1}{2} Q \bullet X \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & a_i^T x = b_i \quad \forall i \\
 & x_i^T X a_i = b_i^2 \quad \forall i \\
 & X_{jj} = x_j \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{R} \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & X \end{pmatrix} \in C_{n+1}^*
 \end{aligned} \tag{C}$$

Thm

Under the assumption, (C) is equivalent to (P).

In particular, (i)  $\text{opt}(C) = \text{opt}(P)$

(ii) if  $(x^*, X^*)$  is optimal for (C) then  $x^*$  is in the convex hull of optimal solutions for (P).

(Proof uses convex analysis, looking at recession cones for (P) and (C).)

Corollary Problem (C) is NP-hard.

Proof Nonconvex quadratic programming is NP-Complete.



Example

- ① Standard quadratic programming, i.e.,  

$$\min \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x$$

$$\text{st. } e^T x = 1, x \geq 0$$

Equivalent to 
$$\min \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x$$

$$\text{st. } e^T x x^T e = 1, x \geq 0$$

Let equivalent CFP: 
$$\min Q_0 X$$

$$\text{st. } e^T X e = 1, X \in C_n^*$$

- ② Node packing:

(can show maximum stable set number is

$$\max \{ x^T e e^T x : x \geq 0, \|x\|^2 = 1, x_i x_j = 0 \forall (i,j) \in E \}.$$

Let CFP: 
$$\max e e^T \bullet X$$

$$\text{st. } I \bullet X = 1$$

$$X_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall (i,j) \in E$$

$$X \in C_n^*$$