

W10D3

Random Spanning Trees

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Next HW: +1 week. Back to MST:

G finite, $\forall e \in E$ $U(e)$ i.i.d. uniform on $(0, 1)$.

$e \in \text{MSF}$ if \exists path P in $G \setminus e$ $x \rightarrow y$ with all values $< U(e)$.

When G is infinite:

$e \in \text{FMSF}$ if \exists path $x \rightarrow y$ in $G \setminus e$ with all values $< U(e)$.

$e \in \text{WMSF}$ if \exists ex. path $x \rightarrow y$ in $G \setminus e$ with all values $< U(e)$.

~~$Z_f(e) := \inf_{\substack{P: x \rightarrow y \\ \text{in } G \setminus e \\ \text{path}}} \max \{U(e') | e' \in P\}$~~ , $e \in \text{FMSF}$ iff $U(e) < Z_f(e)$.

$Z_f(e)$ - same for ex. path (sup instead of max), $e \in \text{WMSF}$ iff $U(e) < Z_w(e)$.

Properties: 1) $\text{WMSF} \subseteq \text{FMSF}$ (trivial coupling).

(all a.s.) 2) No cycles in both.

3) Both spanning.

4) Infinite conn. components.

5) G conn. loc. fin. the "avg. deg." of WMSF, FMSF is 2.

~~If V_n exhausting sets s.t. $\frac{1}{|V_n|} |\partial V_n| = o(|V_n|)$,~~

$$\lim_n \frac{1}{|V_n|} \sum_{x \in V_n} \deg_{\text{W/FMSF}}(x) = 2 \text{ a.s. in expectation.}$$

This was true for every forest s.t. all components are infinite.

6) If both W/FMSF have same fin. num. of components

or $E \deg(x)$ is the same in both $\Rightarrow \text{FMSF} = \text{WMSF}$, since $\text{WMSF} \subseteq \text{FMSF}$.

7) If G transitive & amenable $\text{WMSF} = \text{FMSF}$.

8) If WMSF is conn. a.s., $\text{WMSF} = \text{FMSF}$.

9) If each component of ~~FMSF~~ has one end $\Rightarrow \text{WMSF} = \text{FMSF}$.

10) Both invariant under graph automorphisms.

We say G has almost-everywhere-uniqueness if Leb-a.e. $p \in [0, 1]$ \exists at most 1 int. conn. cluster in p -percolation on G .

Prop $FMSF = VMSF$ iff G has a.e. uniqueness.

pf. Fix $e \in E$, $p = u(e)$ and p -percolation on $G \setminus e$.

$A_e = \{e\text{ two end points of }e\text{ are in separate infinite components of } (G \setminus e)_p\}$. Then $A_e = \{e \in FMSF \setminus VMSF\}$, so

$VMSF = FMSF \Leftrightarrow P(A_e) = 0$, ($\forall e \in E$). Let $f(e, p) = P(\text{endpts in 2 clusters of } (G \setminus e)_p)$.

$P(A_e \cup e) = f(e, u(e))$. So, $P(A_e) = \int f(e, p) dp$. Let $B(e) \subseteq [0, 1]$ the set of pts. p s.t. $f(e, p) > 0$.

$P(A_e) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Leb}(B(e)) = 0$, $\forall e$ $P(A_e) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Leb}(\bigcup_{e \in E} B(e)) = 0$

The first is ~~VMSF = FMSF~~ and 2nd is a.e. uniqueness.

Transitive Graphs amenable \Rightarrow set of non-uniqueness = \emptyset

Question #2 eq. to non-amenable \Rightarrow set of non-uniqueness = interval.

Then G transitive, conn. $N_0 = \#\text{inf. clusters in } p\text{-perc}$,

Then N_0 is a.s. constant $\in \{0, 1, \infty\}$.

pf. Enough to show $P(N_0 \in \{0, 1, \infty\}) = 1$ since $\{N_0 = 0\}$ and $\{N_0 = \infty\}$ are tail events. N_0 measurable & invariant to Γ the group of isomorphism. Let A be a Γ -invariant event, and we'll prove $P(A) \in \{0, 1\}$.

~~EMBEDDING~~ of edges event B depending on finitely many edges st. $P(A) \leq P(B)$. Take $\gamma \in \Gamma$ such that

γB and B are independent. $P(\gamma A) = P(A) \leq P(\gamma B)$, so

$P(A) = P(\gamma A \cap A) \leq P(\gamma B \cap B) \leq P^2(A)$. Take $\epsilon \downarrow 0$ to get $P(A) = \{0, 1\}$. The result now follows from:

Insertion/Deletion tolerance

Given $w \in \{0, 1\}^{E(G)}$ and $e \in E(G)$ put $\pi_{ew} w = w \cup \{e\}$. If

$A \subseteq \{0, 1\}^{E(G)}$ define $\pi_e A = \{\pi_{ew} w \mid w \in A\}$. Then, in p -percolation

$P(\pi_e A) \geq p P(A)$ (similarly for removing e , replacing p with $1-p$).

Then G transitive & amenable \Rightarrow \exists at most 1 ∞ -cluster for $\forall p$.

Lemma Let T be a tree with all degrees ≥ 1 , $B = \{v \in V(T) \mid \deg(v) \geq 3\}$. Then, for any finite $K \subseteq V(T)$, $|\partial_E K| \geq |K \cap B| + 2$.

pf. By induction on $|K|$. $K=1$ trivial to make sure.
For general K , $K \cap T$ fin. tree - so \exists vertex v of deg.

1. Let $K' = K \setminus v$. By ind. hyp. $|\partial_E K'| \geq |K' \cap B| + 2$.

If $\deg v=2$ both sides won't change, if ≥ 3 both increase by 1, or w RHS stays the same but LHS increases even more.

$C(x)$: component of x in p -percolation

$B_R(x)$: set of edges in G with both endpoints at distance R to x .

x is a furcation if removing it splits $C(x)$ to ≥ 3 clusters.

pf. Assume by contradiction $P(N_\infty = \infty) = 1$. Let $\Lambda = \mathbb{N}^d$ ~~of thm.~~ $= \{\text{furcation pts}\}$. We'll prove (1) $\mathbb{P}(x \in \Lambda) > 0$ but (2) $\forall K \subset V$ finite $|\partial_E K| \geq c|K|$, contradicting amenability.

(1) Is just done by taking a large ball that intersects 3 if components x, y, z on the boundary s.t. \exists inf. paths from each of them to infinity. By independence $\exists p_0 > 0$ that the inside of the ball is $\boxed{\text{---}}$ and then v is a furcation point with probability ≥ 0 .

(2) $\forall K \subseteq V$, $E[|K \cap \Lambda|] = c|K|$. We claim $|\partial_E K| \geq |K \cap \Lambda|$.

Let $T(\eta)$ be a spanning tree of an ∞ cluster η .

Remove vertices of degree 1 and iterate. call

the resulting tree $T'(\eta)$. Every furcation point won't be removed and has $\deg \geq 3$ in $T'(\eta)$. So by

Lemma $|\partial_E K \cap T'(\eta)| = |\partial_{E(T(\eta))} K \cap T'(\eta)| \geq |K \cap \Lambda \cap T'(\eta)|$.

Sum over η 's - the LHS $\leq |\partial_E K|$ but RHS is $|K \cap \Lambda|$.