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Random Spanning Trees

G Cayley $f: G \times G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ invariant [$f(x,y) = f(\sigma x, \sigma y)$] then
 $\sum_{x \in G} f(x,0) = \sum_{x \in G} f(x,0)$. Consider a prob. measure P on $2^{E(G) \cup V(G)}$ that is
invariant [$P(A) = P(\sigma A)$].

Ex 1. Can P on $2^{V(G)}$ be concentrated on 1 vxs? If $X \subseteq V$ is
the random subset, can $P(|X|=1) = 1$? No, since
 $f_P(x=v) > 0$ then it's equal for any $v \in G$. If $P(|X|=1)$
 $P(x \ni v \mid x \ni u) = 0$ so $\sum P(x=v) = \infty > 1$.

Ex 2. Can $P(|X|=k) = 1$? No, create P' by choosing X by P , then
choosing $v \in X$ u.a.r. - P' contradicts ex. 1.

Ex 3 P inv. on $2^{E(G)}$. ~~This is a contradiction if removing it~~
fin. clusters is 0 or ∞ , since o/w we can choose v
uniformly at random from the union of those clusters,
contradicting ex. 1.

Ex 4. Recall $w \in E$ is a furcation of $w \in 2^E$ if removing it
splits the component of x to ≥ 3 components. # of such
points in 0 or ∞ with probability 1.

Ex 5 Each cluster has ∞ or 0 furcation points: Let
 $N(x,w) = \#$ of furcations in $C(x)$. Let $F(x,y,w) = \begin{cases} 0 & N(x,w) \in \{0, \infty\} \\ \frac{1}{N(x,w)} & 0 < N(x,w) < \infty \end{cases}$
 $f(x,y) = \mathbb{E}_P[F(x,y,w)]$ is a mass transport. Then
 $\sum_{y \in G} f(x,y) \leq 1$ but $\sum_{y \in G} f(y,0) \in \{0, \infty\}$, so $P(0 \text{ furcation in a}$
cluster with $0 < \# \text{ furcation} < \infty) = 0$ - this is true for
adj vertex x so $P(\text{the above happens anywhere in } G) = 0$.

Prop P inv. on 2^E s.t. W is a.s. a spanning forest with $< \infty$ all trees.

Then $\mathbb{E}[\deg_w 0] < 2$.

pf. $x \rightarrow y$ mass $\frac{\deg_w(x)}{|E(x)|}$. Mass out - $\mathbb{E} \deg_w 0$. Mass in ~~cluster~~
~~cluster~~ is $\mathbb{E}[\text{avg deg. in } x\text{'s cluster}] < \infty$.

1) If a.s. every tree has ≤ 2 ^{ends} then $\mathbb{E}[\deg_w | \mathcal{F}] = 2$.

2) If a.s. some tree has ≥ 3 ends $\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[\deg_w | \mathcal{F}] > 2$.

pf. Let $f(x, y, F)$ be the indicator that $\exists \infty$ ray $x \xrightarrow{\text{single edge}} y \rightarrow \infty$ in F .

$$F(x, y, F) = \begin{cases} 2f(x, y, F) & \text{if } f(y, x, F) = 0 \\ f(x, y, F) & \text{o/w} \end{cases}, \quad f(x, y) = \mathbb{E} \text{ of that.}$$

For $x \in F$, $\sum_y F(x, y, F) = F(x, \emptyset, F) = 2 \deg_F(x) \cdot [(\rightarrow + \leftarrow) - 2]$.

By mass transport, $\mathbb{E}[\deg_F^0 | \mathcal{F}] = \sum_x f(0, x)$. If all comps.

are 1 or 2 ended the mass out is 2, o/w > 2 .
 $\frac{2}{2/P(x \in F)} \quad \frac{> 2}{> 2/P(x \in F)}$

Back to WMSF -

Prop G cayley, $\mathbb{E} \deg_{\text{WMSF}} = 2$ and therefore each tree has at most 2 ends.

pf. Recall $e \in \text{WMSF} \Leftrightarrow U(e) < Z_w(e) = \inf_{P: e \in P} \sup_{e' \in P} U(e')$.

For $p < 1$, let $\eta_p = \{e \mid U(e) \leq p Z_w(e)\}$. η_p is a collection of trees with ≤ 1 end. So $\mathbb{E} \deg_{\eta_p} \leq 2$. But $\text{WMSF} = \bigcup_p \eta_p$

and by dominated convergence $\mathbb{E} \deg_{\text{WMSF}} \leq 2$. By prev.

thm $\forall$ comp. are 1 or 2 ended $\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} \deg_{\text{WMSF}} = 2$.

Thm G cayley graph with $\Theta(p_c) = 0$. Then a.s. each comp. of WMSF is 1-ended.

pf. Let $e_1, e_2, \dots$ be the invasion tree of x . Since $\Theta(p_c) = 0$, $\forall k \sup_{n \geq k} U(e_n) > p_c$. Also, recall we proved - a.s. $\forall p > p_c$

$\forall x \in V$, $I(x)$ intersects some ∞ p -cluster, so $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(e_n) = p_c$.

So, $\exists \infty$ many k values s.t. $U(e_k) = \sup_{n \geq k} U(e_n)$. For each such

k , $\forall n \geq k$ $U(e_n) < U(e_k)$. So U_k separates x from $\{e_n\}_{n \geq k}$,

so $I(x)$ is 1-ended a.s. For any x, y , either $I(x) \cap I(y) = \emptyset$

or $|I(x) \cap I(y)| < \infty$. Now, $F = \bigcup_x I(x)$ so for each $x \in F$

$\exists$ uniquely chosen ray. If with $P > 0$ $o \in$ component with two

ends, $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the bi-int. path. $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(x_n, x_{n+1}) = p_c$, so $\mathbb{E} \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$.