

Partition functions: complex zeros and algorithms

Part 2

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Recipe for FPTAS

- Identify zero-free region of p containing z (inc. non-disks).
- Efficiently compute $f^{(k)}(0)$ for $k = 0, \dots, O(\ln n/\varepsilon)$.

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Theorem

We have $Z_G(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in D$ and $\Delta(G) \leq \Delta$ where

- (1) $D = \{z : |z| \leq \lambda^*\}$ *(Dobushin, Shearer)*
- (2) $D = \text{open region containing } [0, \lambda_c)$ *(Peters, Regts)*
- (3) $D = \{z : \Re(z) \geq 0, |z| \leq \frac{7}{8} \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2(\Delta-1)}\right)\}$ *(Csikvári, Bencs)*

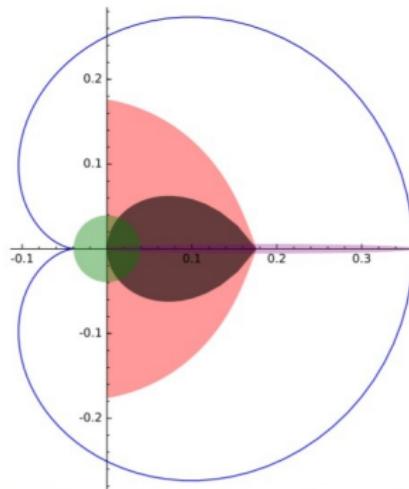
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Remark Here $\lambda^*(\Delta)$ is best possible since

Zeros of $Z_{T_{\Delta,r}}$ converge to $-\lambda^*(\Delta)$.



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Induction on $|U|$. $|U|=0$ $Z_{\text{Gauß}}(\lambda)=1 \neq 0$

(ii) Vacuum

Bore core ✓

$$|u| \geq 1 \quad |R_{G[u]}, u| = |\lambda| \prod_{i=1}^d \left| \left(1 + R_{G[u] - \{u_0, \dots, u_{i-1}\}}, u_i \right) \right|^{-1} \\ < \frac{(\Delta-1)^{\Delta-1}}{\Delta^\Delta} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\Delta} \right)^{-(\Delta-1)} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \quad \text{proves (i)}$$

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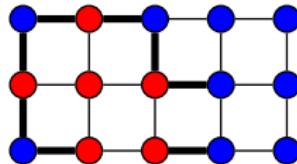
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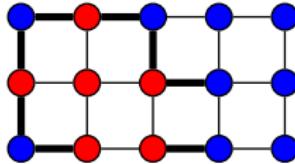
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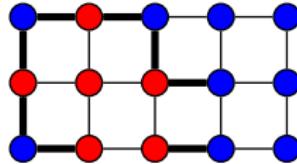
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Pf induction on $n = \# \text{variables}$

For $n=1$ $f = a + bz$ and $g = c + dz$ \mathbb{D} -stable

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|a|}{|b|} > 1 \quad \frac{|c|}{|d|} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|ac|}{|bd|} > 1 \Rightarrow ac + bdz \text{ is } \checkmark \text{ } \mathbb{D}\text{-stable}$$

Assume $n \geq 1$ and f, g as given. Assume ID-stable.

$$f = \sum_{S \subseteq [n-1]} (a_S + a_{S \cup \{n\}} z_n) z^S$$

$$g = \sum_{S \subseteq [n-1]} (b_S + b_{S \cup \{n\}} z_n) z^S$$

For any $u, v \in \mathbb{P}$ let

$$f_u(z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}) = f(z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}, u) \in C[z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}]$$

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 $\in \mathbb{Q}[u, v]$

p is \mathbb{D} -stable since $f_u * g_v \neq 0 \quad \forall u, v \in \mathbb{D}$

$$\begin{aligned} p(u, v) &= \sum_{S \subseteq [n]} a_S b_S z^S + \sum_{S \subseteq [n-1]} b_S a_{S \cup \{n\}} z^S u \\ &\quad + \sum_{S \subseteq [n-1]} a_S b_{S \cup \{n\}} z^S v + \sum_{S \subseteq [n-1]} a_{S \cup \{n\}} b_{S \cup \{n\}} z^S u v \end{aligned}$$

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Prf if $g(x_1, x_2) = a + bx_1 + cx_2 + dx_1x_2$ is D -stable

$\Rightarrow \hat{g}(x) = a + dx$ is D -stable

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① $p_{ij} \neq 0$ provided $|z_i| < 1 \forall i$

② $\underset{i < j}{*} p_{ij} = \text{Cut}(\emptyset, \mathbf{z})$

③ $1 + a z_1 + a z_2 + z_1 z_2 = 0$

$$z_2 = - (1 + a z_1) / a + z_1$$

This is a Möbius transformation
that maps unit circle to
itself, but maps inside to
outside so if $|z_1| < 1$ then
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$$\textcircled{2} \text{ Coefficient of } z^s \text{ in } P_{ij} = \begin{cases} B_{ij} & \text{if } i \in S, j \notin S \\ B_{ij} & \text{if } i \notin S, j \in S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Not in lecture:

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$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\rho \rightarrow 1^-} q^\rho \neq 0 \quad \text{Whenever } |z_i| < 1 \quad \forall i \\ \text{by Hurwitz theorem}$$

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Show by induction (on # vertices) that for all $G = (V, E)$

(a) D_G has only real roots;

(b) $\forall u \in V$ if $\operatorname{Im}(z) > 0$, then $\operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{D_G(z)}{D_{G-u}(z)}\right) > 0$.



Solution

All roots of D_G real \Rightarrow All roots of M_G are real and negative.

Suppose M_G has root $x \in \mathbb{C}$

Then D_G has root z where $-z^2 = x$

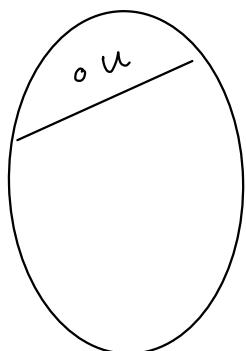
$$\text{i.e. } z = (-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Since z is real then $-x$ is positive.

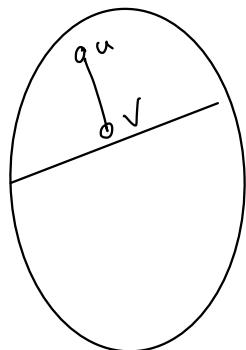
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$$D_G(z) = \sum_M (-1)^{|M|} z^{n-2|M|}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{M \text{ has } n_u \\ \text{edge incident} \\ \text{to } u}} (-1)^{|M|} z^{n-2|M|} + \sum_{v \in N(u)} \sum_{\substack{M: uv \in M}} (-1)^{|M|} z^{n-2|M|}$$



$$= z D_{G-u}(z) - \sum_{v \in N(u)} D_{G-\{u, v\}}(z)$$



Assume $|G|=n$ and (a), (b) hold for all smaller graphs.

(ii) Fix $u \in V$ and $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Im}(z) > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D_G}{D_{G-u}} &= \frac{z D_{G-u} - \sum_{v \in N(u)} D_{G-\{u,v\}}}{D_{G-u}} \\ &= z - \sum_{v \in N(u)} \left(\frac{D_{G-u}}{D_{G-\{u,v\}}} \right)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{D_G}{D_{G-u}}\right) > 0$ So (b) holds for G

This shows if $\operatorname{Im}(z) > 0$ then $D_G(z) \neq 0$
 (Note $D_{G-u}(z) \neq 0$ by induction)

If $\operatorname{Im}(z) < 0$ then $\operatorname{Im}(-z) > 0$ and

$D_G(z) = \pm D_G(-z)$ so $\operatorname{Im}(D_G(z)) \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} 0 \Rightarrow$ for G