

LECTURE 8

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MAX SAT

RAND SAT

BIASED SAT

LP SAT

0.5 approximation
 $\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$ approximation
 $(1 - \frac{1}{e})$ approximation
 ~ 0.632

BEST PERFORMANCE FOR
LONG CLAUSES

SHORT CLAUSES

Recall: clauses C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m

variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n

weights w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m

$l_j \dots$ length of C_j

for LP SAT: $\Pr[C_j \text{ satisfied}] \geq z_j^* (1 - (1 - \frac{1}{l_j})^{l_j})$

for RAND SAT: $\Pr[C_j \text{ satisfied}] \geq (1 - 2^{-l_j})$

BEST SAT

with prob. $\frac{1}{2}$, run RAND SAT

with prob. $\frac{1}{2}$, run LP SAT

Alternatively: run both, output the better solution

7.11: The approximation ratio of BEST SAT is $\frac{3}{4}$.

Proof: $W \dots$ sum of weights of clauses satisfied by

W_1 BEST SAT
 W_2 LP SAT
 RAND SAT

$$E[W] = E\left[\frac{1}{2} W_1 + \frac{1}{2} W_2\right] \geq$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m w_j \cdot z_j^* (1 - (1 - \frac{1}{l_j})^{l_j}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m w_j (1 - 2^{-l_j})$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m w_j \cdot z_j^* \left[(1 - (1 - \frac{1}{l_j})^{l_j}) + (1 - 2^{-l_j}) \right]$$

$z_j^* \leq 1$

$$\geq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\begin{cases} z_j = 1 & 1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \\ z_j = 2 & (1 - \frac{1}{4}) + (1 - \frac{1}{4}) = \frac{3}{2} \\ z_j \geq 3 & \geq (1 - \frac{1}{e}) + 0,875 \geq \frac{3}{2} \\ & \sim 0,632 \end{cases}$$

$$\geq \frac{3}{5} \sum_{j=1}^m w_j z_j \geq \frac{3}{5} \text{OPT}$$

DEFINITION OF RANDOM SAT

Notation: for $\sigma \in \{t, f\}^n$ $C_j(\sigma) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } C_j \text{ satisfied by } \sigma \\ 0 & \text{NOT} \end{cases}$

$$W(\sigma) = \sum_{j=1}^m w_j \cdot C_j(\sigma)$$

$W \dots$ random variable \dots sum of weights of clauses satisfied by RANDOM SAT

we know: $\frac{\text{OPT}}{2} \leq \mathbb{E}[W]$

Given $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m, w_1, \dots, w_m$
Can we compute $\mathbb{E}[W]$?

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{\sigma \in \{t, f\}^n} W(\sigma) = \sum_{j=1}^m w_j \cdot \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{\sigma \in \{t, f\}^n} C_j(\sigma) = \text{Pr}[C_j \text{ is satisfied by RANDOM SAT}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \left[\sum_{\sigma' \in \{t, f\}^{n-1}} [W(f\sigma') + W(t\sigma')] \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \sum_{\sigma' \in \{t, f\}^{n-1}} W(f\sigma') + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \sum_{\sigma' \in \{t, f\}^{n-1}} W(t\sigma') \right]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[W | x_1 = f] = \mathbb{E}[W | f] \quad \mathbb{E}[W | x_1 = t] = \mathbb{E}[W | t]$$

conditional expectation

$$E[W] = \frac{1}{2} [E[W|f] + E[W|t]] \quad \leftarrow$$

$$E[W] \leq \max \{E[W|f], E[W|t]\}$$

$\frac{OPT}{2} \leq$
 We have a way how to deterministically set X_1 in such a way that when setting all other variables randomly, we still get in expectation a solution of cost $\geq \frac{OPT}{2}$!

More generally

For $b_1, \dots, b_i \in \{t, f\}$ let

$$E[W|b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i] = \frac{1}{2^{n-i}} \sum_{b_{i+1}, \dots, b_n \in \{t, f\}^{n-i}} W(b_1, \dots, b_n)$$

1. $E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}] = \frac{1}{2} [E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, t] + E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, f]]$

2. $E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}] \leq \max \{E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, t], E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, f]\}$

Note: we can efficiently compute $E[W|b]$.

ALGORITHM - Deterministic RAND SAT

- (1) $i := 1$
- (2) if $E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, t] \geq E[W|b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, f]$
 set $X_i = t$ otherwise set $X_i = f$
- (3) $i := i + 1$, if $i \leq n$ go to (2)
- (4) output $b_1 b_2 \dots b_n$.

THM: The Deterministic RAND SAT is $\frac{1}{2}$ -approx. algorithm.

Proof: by 2, applied repeatedly. ▣

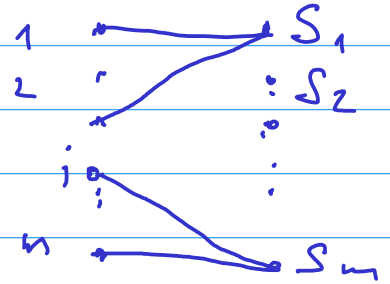
SET COVER

INPUT: sets $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$$c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m \geq 0$$

OUTPUT: $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, m\}$ s.t. $\bigcup_{j \in I} S_j = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

OBJECTIVE: minimize $\sum_{j \in I} c_j$



Parameters: $f = \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} |\{j \mid i \in S_j\}|$

$$\rightarrow g = \max_{j \in \{1, \dots, m\}} |S_j|$$

VERTEX COVER

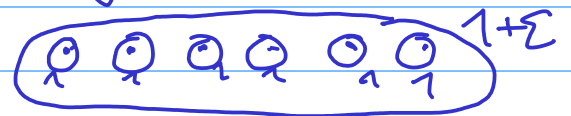
IN: $G = (V, E)$, $c_v \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in V$

OUT: $W \subseteq V$ s.t. $(\forall e \in E) e \cap W \neq \emptyset$

Note: $f = 2$ $g = \max. \text{degree}$

GREEDY ALGORITHM FOR SC

Ideas: λ select the cheapest set
 λ select the largest set \downarrow does not work



✓ iteratively select the set covering the elements as cheap as possible per element

(1) $I := \emptyset$, $E := \emptyset$

(2) while $E \neq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ do

for $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ s.t. $S_j \not\subseteq E$, define $p_j = \frac{c_j}{|S_j \setminus E|}$

$l = \arg \min p_j$

$I := I \cup \{l\}$, $E := E \cup S_l$, $z_e := p_j \quad \forall e \in S_j \setminus E$

(3) OUTPUT I

LP Relaxation for SET COVER

(P) $\min \sum_{j=1}^m c_j x_j$ for each $S_j \dots$ -binary x_j

$\sum_{j: e \in S_j} x_j \geq 1 \quad \forall e \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$x_j \geq 0 \quad j=1, \dots, m$

(D) $\max \sum_{e=1}^n y_e$

$\sum_{e \in S_j} y_e \leq c_j \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$

$y_e \geq 0 \quad e=1, \dots, n$

Define $z^1 = \frac{1}{H_g} z$ $H_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \sim \ln n$

z^1 is a feasible solution of (D).

proof: $z_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e$

Consider a set S_j : $\sum_{e \in S_j} z^1_e \leq c_j$

let $k = |S_j|$

order the elements of S_j by their "covering time"

$S_j = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\}$

\uparrow covered last

\uparrow covered first

Note: for each $e_i \in S_j$ in the iteration in which e_i was covered, it was possible to cover it also by the set S_j at the cost $\leq \frac{c_j}{k}$ per element i

by greediness: $z_{e_i} \leq \frac{c_j}{k}$

$\sum_{e \in S_j} z^1_e = \frac{1}{H_g} \sum_{e \in S_j} z_e \leq \frac{1}{H_g} \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{c_j}{k} = \frac{1}{H_g} \cdot c_j \cdot H_k \leq c_j \quad \square$

