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PRA - Final Chapter

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Last time:

$\Gamma(G, S)$ has Kazhdan's property (T) w/
 $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(G, S) > 0 \Rightarrow \text{mix} = O(\varepsilon^{-2} \log \Gamma)$
where $\Gamma \leftarrow$ Schreier graph, $S \leftarrow$ transitive

$\Gamma_k(H)$ is a Schreier graph of $\text{Aut}(F_k)$
 $\Rightarrow$ need bounds on $\varepsilon(\text{Aut}(F_k), \text{Nielsen's gen's})$

Today:

- graph theory methods
- semi-definite programming

Th [Gamburd - P. & Bourgain - Gamburd]

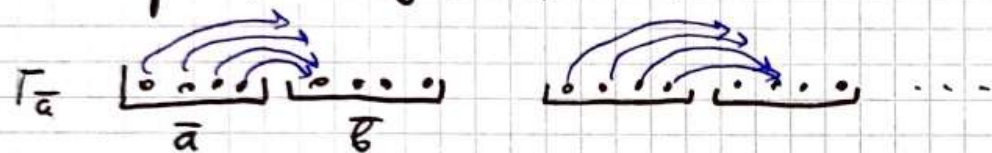
[BG]: $H = \text{SL}(2, P)$, $H = \langle S \rangle$, $|S| \leq 4 \Rightarrow \text{Cayley}(H, S)$ - expander
w $\varepsilon > 0$ universal

[GP]: $\Rightarrow \Gamma_k(H)$ - expander $\forall k \gg 0$ fixed

Proof of [GP]

Fix $k=8$. Recall $m(H) \leq 4$

Split $\Gamma_8(H)$ into union of products of Cayley graphs



$$\bar{a} = (h_1 h_2 h_3 h_4)$$

$$\bar{b} = (h_5 h_6 h_7 h_8)$$

$$\Gamma_{\bar{a}} = \text{Cayley}(H, \bar{a})^4$$

$$\Gamma'_{\bar{b}} = \text{Cayley}(H, \bar{b})^4$$

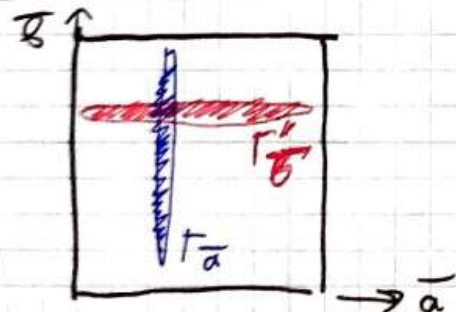


L1 $\langle \bar{a} \rangle = H \Rightarrow \Gamma_{\bar{a}}$ - expander.

L2 Γ, Γ' - expanders $\Rightarrow \Gamma \times \Gamma'$ - expander] L2 $\Rightarrow$ L1

L3 $\Gamma_8 = \bigsqcup_{\bar{a}} \Gamma_{\bar{a}} \sqcup_{\bar{b}} \Gamma'_{\bar{b}}$, each $\Gamma_{\bar{a}}$ - expander
(1-ε) fraction of $\Gamma'_{\bar{b}}$ - exp

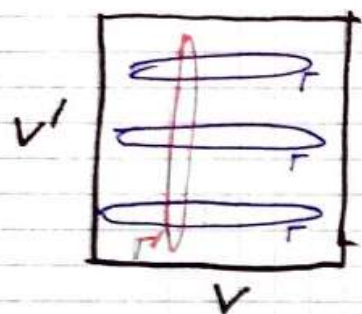
Then Γ_8 - expander



Idea

prove L2 which extends to proof of L3.

Proof of L2



$$\Gamma = (V, E) \quad , \quad \Gamma' = (V', E') \quad , \quad |V| = n$$

$$\hat{\Gamma} := \Gamma \times \Gamma' = (V \times V', \hat{E}) \quad , \quad |V'| = n'$$

$$\deg = d$$

$$A \subset V \times V' \quad , \quad |A| < |V| \cdot |V'| / 2 = \frac{nn'}{2}$$

$$\text{consider } A(v') = A \cap \{(x, v')\}, v' \in V'\}$$

$$\hat{E}(A, \bar{A}) \geq \sum_{v'} E(A(v'), \bar{A}(v'))$$

$$\geq \sum_{v'} d |A(v')| \phi(\Gamma) = d |A| \phi(\Gamma)$$

incorrect $\rightarrow$

Recall

$$\phi(\Gamma) = \min_{\substack{A \subset V, A \neq \emptyset \\ |A| \leq n/2}} \frac{E(A, \bar{A})}{d \cdot |A|} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Sometimes} \\ |A(v')| > \frac{n}{2} (!) \end{array} \right.$$

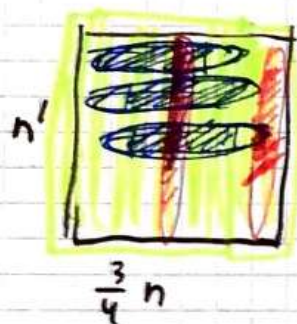
Real argument: two types of $A(v')$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad |A(v')| > \frac{3}{4} n \\ \textcircled{2} \quad |A(v')| \leq \frac{3}{4} n \end{array} \right\} \text{ one of the types has } > \frac{|A|}{2}$$

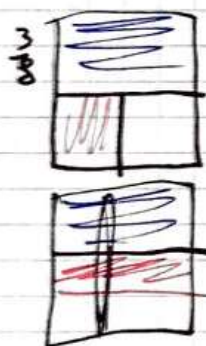
$$\text{case } \textcircled{2} \quad \hat{E} \geq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) d \phi(\Gamma) |A| \geq \frac{\phi(\Gamma)}{8} (2d) |A| \Rightarrow \phi(\hat{\Gamma}) \geq \frac{\phi(\Gamma)}{8}$$

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Case 1

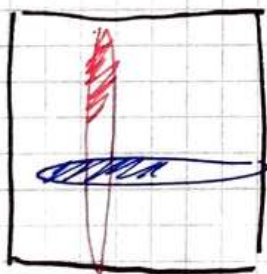


In summary



For L3

Some idea



Consider now

$$A'(v) = A \cap \{ (v, x) \} \quad , v \in V$$

* $A(v')$ w/ $\geq (\frac{3}{4}n)$ elts take up $> \frac{|A|}{2}$ elts

we have $< \frac{|A|}{2} < \frac{nn'}{4}$ elts remain ~~remaining~~

$$A'(v) \text{ have } \leq \frac{3}{4} |A|/n \leq \frac{3}{8} n'$$

④ $\frac{1}{4} nn'$ distributed outside of $[A(v') \text{ w/ } \geq \frac{3}{4}n]$

$$(\frac{1}{4} nn') / (\frac{5}{8} n') = \frac{2}{5} n \text{ best case}$$

$$(\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4}) n' = \frac{5}{8} n' \text{ worst case}$$

$\Rightarrow$ same as case ① w/ $\frac{3}{4} \leftarrow \frac{5}{8}$

Key obs: ① never used row/column is a
 ② proof robust to ignore ϵ -fractions of columns. $\Rightarrow$

④

Th [Kalauba-Nowak-Ozawa '18]

$\text{Aut}(F_5)$ has (T) w/ $\varepsilon > 0.18$

Cor all $\Gamma_k(H)$, $k \geq 5$ are expanders

Proof idea

$$\Gamma_k = \bigsqcup_{5\text{-subsets } B} \left(\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_k \right)$$


Now apply similar argument + symmetrization.
graph theoretic

$$\Rightarrow \phi(\Gamma_k(H)) \asymp \Omega\left(\frac{1}{k^2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{mix } \Gamma_k(H) = O(k^5 \log H) \quad \square$$

Th [Kalauba-Kielak-Nowak '18]

$$G = \text{Aut}(F_k) \text{ has } (T) \text{ w/ } \varepsilon(G, R) > \sqrt{\frac{1.398(k-2)}{6(k^2-k)}} \\ = \Omega\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{mix } \Gamma_k(H) = O(k^3 \log |H|) \quad \square$$

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Proof idea of (T) $\leftarrow$ SDP argument by Bzawa '16

Th [Netzer-Thom '15]

$G = SL(3, \mathbb{Z})$ has (T) w/ $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(G, R) > \frac{1}{6}$

Cor $\max \Gamma(SL(3, p), R) = O(\log p)$ and $O(1)$
can be computed now: $1 - \frac{1}{p} \geq \frac{1}{72}$ (via P-Z)
improving $1/15,000 \leftarrow$ Burgu + PZ

Idea $G = \langle R \rangle$

Consider $\mathbb{R}[G] \leftarrow$ $*$ -algebra $(\sum c_g g)^* = \sum c_g g$
 $R =$ usual transvections $\{E_{i,j}^{\pm}\}$, $|R| = 12$

$$\Delta := 12 - \left[\sum_{M \in R} M \right] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{M \in R} (1 - M)^*(1 - M)$$

Let $A_\varepsilon := \Delta^2 - \varepsilon \Delta \quad \leq 1 \quad \varepsilon = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow A_\varepsilon = \sum_{i=1}^n B_i^* B_i$
for $n = 121$

L2 $(\approx) \Rightarrow (\geq)$ (6)

Making S_N into expanders

Q [Lubotzky, 1980s] $\exists \langle R_N \rangle = S_N$ s.t.
Cayley (S_N, R_N) are expanders $|R_N| = O(1)$

Non-example. $R = \{(12), (1 \dots n)^{\pm 1}\}$, $\langle R \rangle = S_N$
 $\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda_1) = \Theta(\frac{1}{n^2})$

Positive indication: $\exists R$ s.t. $\text{diam} = O(n \log n)$
/ we proved long ago /

Prop [Lubotzky-Pil] $\text{Aut}(F_k)$ has (T) some k
 $\Rightarrow \{S_N\}$ can be made into expanders
w/ $|R_N| \leq 4k(k-1)$

Proof $H \leftarrow$ simple group, e.g. $\text{PSL}(2, p)$, $A_n, n \geq 5, \dots$

$G := H^m$, where $m = |H|^k \varphi_k(H)$ / as in Hall thm /

$\Gamma := \Gamma_k(H^m)$. Gilman thm says $\text{Aut}(F_k)$ acts as S_m

/ $k=5$ we have $4 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 = 80$ generators /

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Prop + Th [Kaluza] $\Rightarrow$ S_N can be made into expanders

Th [Kassabov, '07]

$$N = (2^{3K} - 1)^6, \quad S_N \text{ --- } \text{w/ } |R| < 156$$

Proof uses: $\begin{cases} S_N \text{-character estimates} \\ \text{Kazhdan const for } SL(3K, \mathbb{F}_2) \\ \text{random walk estimates.} \end{cases}$

vs. $\begin{cases} \text{Gilman's proof is algebraic} \\ \text{+ Th [Kaluza] computational.} \end{cases}$