
Graph Theory in Quantum Information

Lecture 3



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Graph Isomorphism

- solved in practice (nauty)
- $P < \text{graph isom.} < \text{NP-complete}$
- graph isom. for graphs of bounded valency $\in P$ (E. Luks)

X_1 X_2

1-2-3

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

n

1-3-2

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

A $n \times n$

X, Y
 $v(x), v(y)$

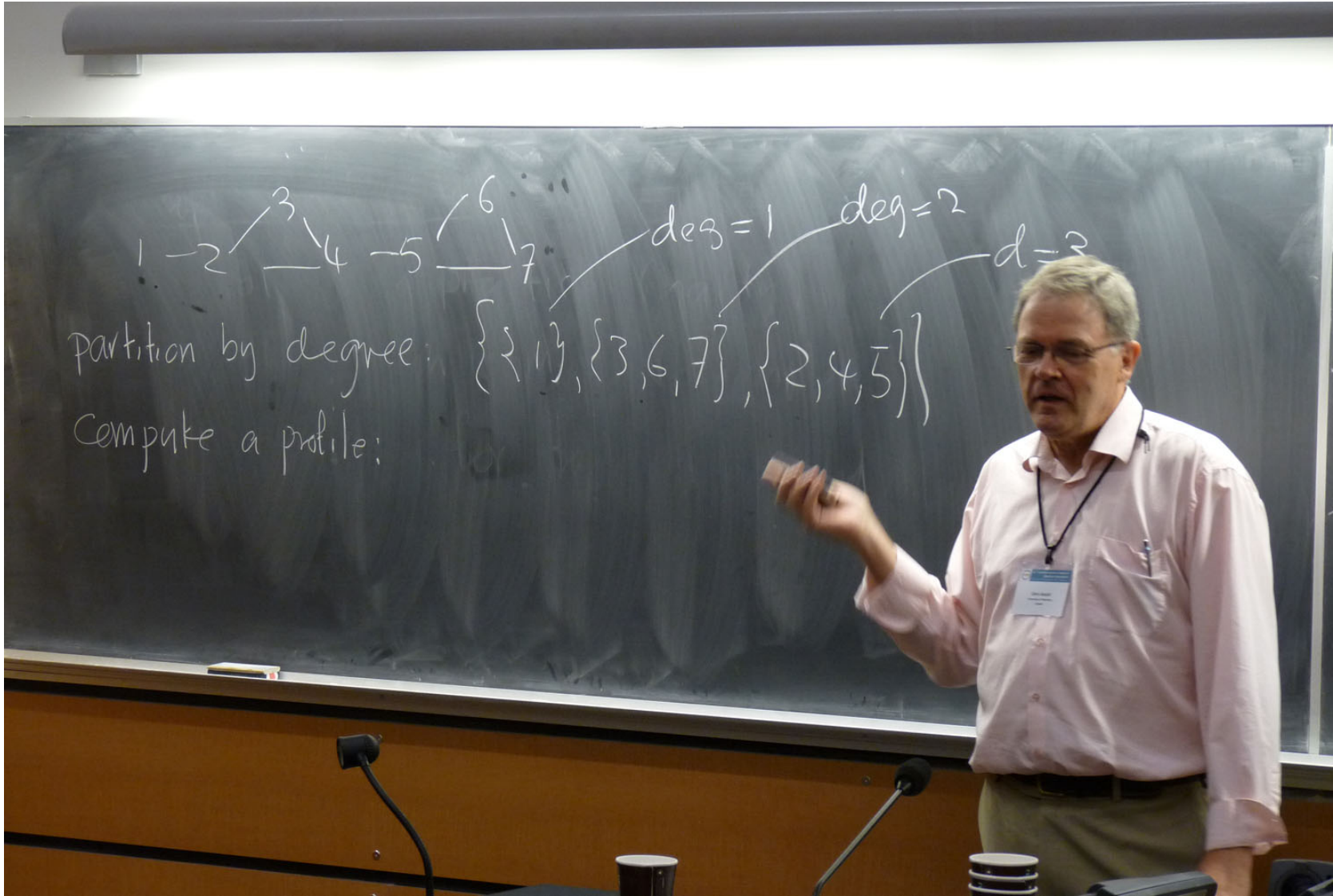
$$P^T A(X) P = A(Y)$$

perm. matrix

Quantum methods

- hidden subgroup problem

- 'walks' — continuous or discrete quantum walks
bosonic Hubbard model. — symmetric pairs



1 — 2 / 3 \ 4 — 5 / 6 \ 7

deg=1 deg=2 d=3

partition by degree: $\{1\}, \{3, 6, 7\}, \{2, 4, 5\}$

Compute a profile:



partition by degree: $\{1, 7\}, \{3, 6, 7\}, \{2, 4, 5\}$

compute a profile:

$v_x \backslash d_{xy}$	1	2	3
1	0	0	1
3	0	0	2
6	0	1	1
7	0	1	1

2	1	1	1
4	0	1	2
5	0	2	1

new partition

$\{1\}$ $\{6,7\}$ $\{3\}$ $\{2\}$ $\{4\}$ $\{5\}$

equitable partition



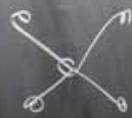
regular, degree k

$$\{1\} \quad \{V(X) \setminus 1\}$$

Spectrum

X graph with adjacency matrix A

$$\phi(X, t) = \det(tI - A) \quad \text{characteristic polynomial}$$



Trees



Schwenk The proportion of trees on n vertices that are determined by their char. poly $\rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Complement



Continuous Quantum Walk on a Graph

$$U_X(t) = \exp(iAt) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{i^n t^n}{n!} A^n$$

$$W(X,t) = (\mathbb{I} - tA)^{-1} = \sum_{n \geq 0} t^n A^n \quad \text{— walk generating fn}$$

A walk in a graph is a sequence of vertices

v_0, \dots, v_m

Such that $v_{i-1} \sim v_i$ for $i=1, \dots, m-1$.

Claim $(A^r)_{i,j} = \# \text{walks from } i \text{ to } j \text{ in } X \text{ with length } r.$

$$t^i \frac{\phi(X_{i,t})}{\phi(X,t)} = (W(X,t))_{ii} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n (A^n)_{ii}$$

$\phi(X_{i,t})$, $\phi(X,t)$ determine the i th diagonal entry of $W(X,t)$ & $H_X(t)$.

$\phi(X, t)$, $\phi(X \setminus i, t)$, $\phi(X \setminus j, t)$, $\phi(X \setminus ij, t)$

determine the ij -entry of $W(X, t)$ & $H_X(t)$

Latin square graphs

mult. table of a finite group.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

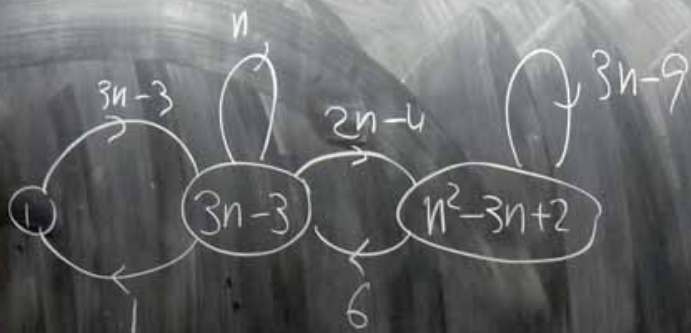
$$\{(i, j, L_{ij}) : 1 \leq i, j \leq n\}$$

VS -

$$(8) \quad 2.8 \times 10^5$$

$$(9) \quad 1.9 \times 10^{10}$$

$$(10) \quad 3.5 \times 10^{16}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3n-3 & 0 \\ 1 & n & 2n-4 \\ 0 & 6 & 3n-9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 3n-3 \\ n-3 \\ -3 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} (i) \\ 3n-3 \\ n^2-3n+2 \end{array}$$