

## Lecture 23

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(with uniformly bounded degree)

Example:

Suppose  $\Gamma$  plane graph s.t.  $\Gamma$  is uniformly  
embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e.  $\exists K > 0$

$$\frac{1}{K} \|z_1 - z_2\|_{\mathbb{R}^2} \leq d_{\Gamma}(z_1, z_2) \leq K \|z_1 - z_2\|_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

Then  $\Gamma$  roughly isometric  $\mathbb{R}^2 \sim \mathbb{Z}^2$

$\Rightarrow \Gamma$  recurrent.

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Thm  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  roughly isometric with bounded vertex degree.

Then  $\Gamma_1 \in \mathcal{O}_{HD} \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_2 \in \mathcal{O}_{HD}$ .

pf: Take  $\phi: \Gamma_1 \rightarrow \Gamma_2$  rough isometry,

$\exists k > 0$  s.t.  $\phi: \Gamma_1 \rightarrow \Gamma_2^k$  morphism.

$$\Gamma_1 \in \mathcal{O}_{HD} \Rightarrow \phi(\Gamma_1)^{\Gamma_2^k} \in \mathcal{O}_{HD}$$

True  
because of  
the following  
proposition.



$$\Gamma_2^k \in \mathcal{O}_{HD}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\Gamma_2 \in \mathcal{O}_{HD}$$

Prop Let  $\Gamma = (V, \mathcal{E})$  transient subgraph of  $\Lambda = (L, \mathcal{E})$

s.t.  $\Gamma \hookrightarrow \Lambda$  is rough isometry,

Then if  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{O}_{\text{HD}} \Rightarrow \Lambda \in \mathcal{O}_{\text{HD}}$ .

PS Let  $f \in \text{HD}(\Lambda)$ .

Rayden decomposition:  
for  $D(\Gamma)$

$$\mathcal{S}|_{\Gamma} = \underbrace{g}_{\in D(\Gamma)} + \underbrace{K}_{\in \text{HD}(\Gamma) = \{\text{const.}\}},$$

Want to show:  $\mathcal{S} \equiv K$ ,

Pick  $o \in V$

Define:  $P_o$  one-sided infinite paths <sup>in  $\Lambda$</sup>  starting from  $o$ ,

$P_o^\Gamma$  - - - - - infinite paths in  $\Gamma$  - - - - -

Know: For almost all  $p \in P_o$ ,  $f(p) := \lim_{\substack{x_n \in p \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} f(x_n)$  exists,

(\*) (Want to show, for almost all  $p \in P_o$ ,  $f(p) = \kappa$ .)

In other words:

$$P^I = \{p \in P_o \mid f(p) = \kappa\},$$

$$P^{II} = \{p \in P_o \mid f(p) \neq \kappa\},$$

$$P^{III} = \{p \in P_o \mid f(p) \text{ limit not exists}\},$$

$$P_0 = P^I \cup P^{\text{II}} \cup P^{\text{III}}$$

know:  $\lambda_1(P^{\text{III}}) = \infty$

(\*)  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_1(P^{\text{II}} \cup P^{\text{III}}) = \infty$

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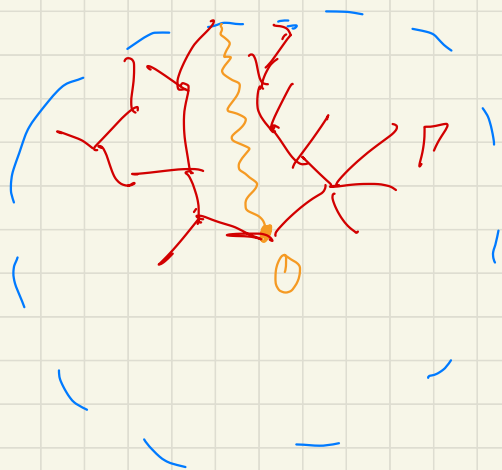
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know: For almost all path in  $P_0^{\text{I}}$ ,  $f(p) = \infty$

$\Leftrightarrow \lambda_1(P^{\text{II}} \cap P_0^{\text{I}}) = \infty$ ,

Claim:  $\lambda_1(P^{\text{II}} \cap P_0^{\text{I}}) = \infty \Rightarrow \lambda_1(P^{\text{II}}) = \infty$ ,

Sketch:



$$p \in \mathcal{P}_1(p^{\mathbb{H}})$$

$$\Gamma \leftrightarrow \Lambda \quad \text{rough isometry,}$$

We can project path  $p$   
to a path  $\tilde{p}$  on  $\Gamma$ .

s.t. <sup>||</sup> they are close <sup>||</sup>  $\forall x \in p$ .

$$\exists \tilde{x} \in \tilde{p} \text{ s.t.}$$

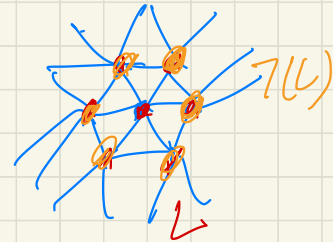
$$d(x, \tilde{x}) < c$$

With this projection, we estimate  $L(p)$  in terms of  $L(\tilde{p})$ .

(proofs skipped),  $\Rightarrow \lambda_1(P^d) = \infty$ .

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## Strong isoperimetric inequality



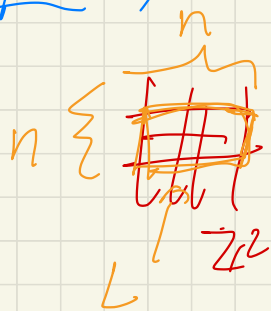
Def  $L$  finite subset of vertices in  $\Gamma$ .

Define  $T(L) \subset L$  s.t. each vertex in  $T(L)$  has a neighbouring vertex  $\notin L$ .

Call  $T(L)$  combinatorial boundary of  $L$ .

Def We say  $\Gamma$  locally finite graph satisfies  
a strong isoperimetric inequality if  $\exists K > 0$  st  
 $|\Gamma(L)| \geq K |L|$  for all finite subset  $L$   
and  $| \cdot |$  denotes cardinality.

Example (1)  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  fail strong isoperimetric inequality.



No constant  $K > 0$  satisfies

$$4n = |\Gamma(L)| \geq K |L| = n^2$$

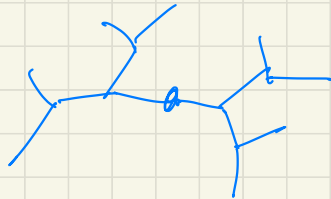
for all  $n$ .

(2) Infinite triangulation of disc st.  $\deg(x) > 7$   
for all  $x \in V$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow$  Strong iso, ineq  $\checkmark$ .

(3), Cayley graph of fundamental group of  
closed surfaces of genus  $g > 1$ .

$\Rightarrow$  strong iso, ineq  $\checkmark$ .

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$$|B_n| = 2^n$$

$$7B_n = B_n - B_{n-1} = 2^{n-1}$$

$$|7B_n| \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{1}{2} |B_n|$$

$\Rightarrow$  binary tree satisfy strong iso. ineq.

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Exercise If  $\Gamma$  satisfies strong inequality, then

$$\forall o \in V, \quad |B_n(o)| \geq (1+x)^n$$

$$\text{where } B_n(o) := \{x \in V \mid d(x,o) \leq n\},$$

$\Rightarrow$  number of vertices grow exponentially along distance.

$$\text{Sketch!} \quad B_{n+1} = B_n + (B_{n+1} - B_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |B_{n+1}| &\geq |B_n| + |7B_{n+1}| \\
 &\geq |B_n| + \kappa |B_{n+1}| \\
 &\geq |B_n| (1 + \kappa)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |B_n| \geq (1+\kappa)^n |B_0| = (1+\kappa)^n$$


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Thm Assume  $\Gamma$  <sup>(all  $c_{xy} = 1$ )</sup> has uniform bounded vertex degree,  
i.e.  $M := \sup_{x \in V} \deg(x) < \infty$ .

Then the following are equiv.

- (1).  $\Gamma$  satisfies strong iso. ineq.  
(2),  $\exists \gamma > 0$  st. for every function  $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
with finite support, we have

$$\|f\|_2^2 := \sum_{x \in V} c(x) |f(x)|^2 \leq \gamma D(f).$$

where  $c(x) = \deg(x)$ .

(Poincaré ineq., Sobolev-Dirichlet ineq.).

(3)  $P$  has operator norm  $\|P\| < 1$ .

(4),  $\exists \vartheta$  where  $0 < \vartheta < 1$  satisfies for some  $C > 0$   
 $P^n(x, y) = (P^n)_{(x, y)} < C \vartheta^n \quad \forall x, y \in V,$

(5)  $G := Id + P + P^2 + P^3 + \dots = (Id - P)^{-1}$  is  
a bounded operator.

(Recall:  $G(x, y) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n P^{(k)}(x, y)$ )

Message: (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5) proved from definitions.

Df: (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1),

Take  $L$  finite subset,

$$x_L(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in L \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma D(x_L) \geq \|x_L\|_2^2 = \sum_{x \in L} \deg(x) \cdot 1 \geq |L|.$$

1)

$$\sigma \sum_{\substack{x \in \Gamma(L) \\ y \sim x \\ \text{but } y \notin L}} |x_L(x) - x_L(y)|^2 \leq \sigma M |\Gamma(L)|$$

$y \sim x$   
but  $y \notin L$

$$\Rightarrow |\Gamma(L)| \geq \frac{1}{\sigma M} |L| \Rightarrow \text{strong iso, equality } K = \frac{1}{\sigma M}.$$

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2),

Let  $f$  any function with finite support,

It take values

$$\cancel{0} a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_k < \infty.$$

$$L_i := \{x \in V \mid f(x_i) \geq a_i\},$$

$$L_k \subset L_{k-1} \subset \dots \subset L_1 = \text{supp}(f),$$

$$\Rightarrow f = \sum a_i e_{L_i - L_{i+1}}$$

$$= \sum c_i e_{L_i} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{aligned} c_1 &= a_1 \\ c_i &= a_i - a_{i-1} \end{aligned}$$

Idea: strong iso. ineq.  $\Rightarrow$   $\| \gamma(L_i) \| > \kappa(L_i)$

$$\Rightarrow D(e_{L_i}) > \tilde{\kappa} \|e_{L_i}\|_2^2$$

$$\stackrel{(\text{Dex}_i^D)}{\Rightarrow} D(f) > \sigma \|f\|_2^2$$

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Remark: strong iso ineq.  $\Rightarrow$  ~~strongly~~ transient

because it satisfies (4),

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