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part 1

# Maximum Flow (undirected)

1) Unit capacities

2)  $G = (V, E), s, t \in V \quad |V| = n \text{ \& \ } |E| = m$

$$\mathcal{B}_{\infty}^m = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \forall i, -1 \leq y_i \leq 1\}$$

$$3) e_{ts} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} s \\ \\ \\ t \end{matrix}$$

The Max flow prob  $\max_{F \geq 0} \exists f \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ (s.t. } f = F e_{ts} \text{ \& \ } f \in \mathcal{B}_{\infty}^m)$

We will do binary search for  $F$ .

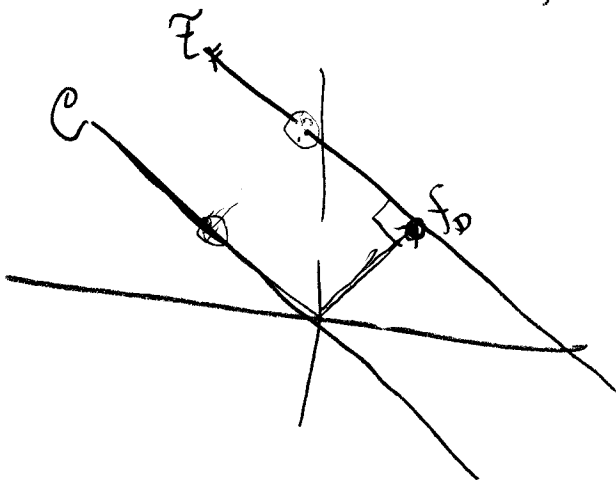
$$\underline{\text{Def}} \quad C = \{f : d, f = 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_F = \{f : df = F e_{ts}\}$$

Thompson Min energy flow is a potential flow.

$$d, f_p = F e_{ts} \quad \text{st} \quad \exists v \quad f_p = d, v$$

Since circulation  $\perp$  potential flow (unit weight)



Projecting onto  $\mathcal{Z}_F \equiv \text{Proj}_{\mathcal{Z}_F}(f)$

Write  $f = f_c + f_p'$  return  $f_c + f_p = \bar{f}$

to show 1)  $\bar{f} \in \mathcal{Z}_F$  clear

$$a) f - \bar{f} \perp \bar{f} - f_p$$

$$2) f_c + f'_p - f_c + f_p = f'_p - f_p \in \text{Potential}$$

$$\bar{f} - f_p = f_c - f_p + f_p = f_c \in \text{Cycle}$$

Find potential part:

$$d_1^T v = f? \quad d_1 d_1^T v = d_1 f$$

$$v = (d_1 d_1^T)^+ d_1 f$$

$$f_p = \underbrace{d_1^T (d_1 d_1^T)^+ d_1}_{\Pi} f$$

$$f_c = (I - \Pi) f$$

Thus  $\bar{f}$  is  $L_2$  closest point to  $\mathcal{Z}_F$

What is closest point to  $B_\infty^m$ ?

More general  $K$  convex set

$$\text{Proj}_K(x) = \underset{y \in K}{\text{argmin}} \|x - y\|_2$$

Lemma (Proj onto convex set)

(i)  $\text{Proj}_K$  is 1-Lipschitz

ie  $\| \text{Proj}_K(x) - \text{Proj}_K(y) \|_2 \leq \|x - y\|_2$

(ii)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|x - \text{Proj}_K(x)\|_2^2$

a) convex

b) Gradient  $\nabla f(x) = x - \text{Proj}_K(x)$

1-Lipschitz

Note (hw)

$\text{Proj}_\infty^n(f) \equiv$  remove overflow.

# Natural alg (POCS)

Input  $G, s, t, F$

Init:  $f_p = F \prod e_{ts}; f = f_p$

Repeat

$\bar{f}$  = remove overflow ( $f$ )

$f_c = (I - \Pi) \bar{f}$

$f = f_c + f_p$

