

Outline:

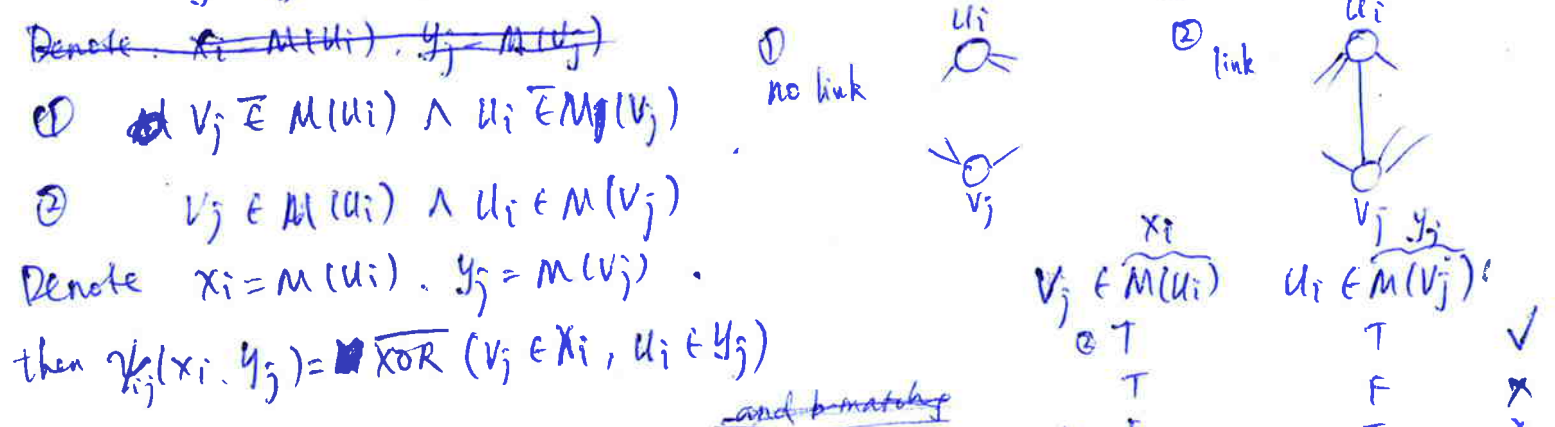
1. What problem it deals with: weighted b-matching bipartite, weights, degree  $b \geq 1$ , max. not restricted to  $\mathbb{R}^+$
  2. Approach: formulate weighted b-matching as a prob distribution function. Fig 1  
run BP <sup>can be parallel</sup> to find the MAP. Node state: Edge. why BP: parallel early stop for approximate real-time. edges uniform Capacity
  3. Significance: identifies another situation where BP on a loopy graphical model can provably and efficiently converge to the MAP (max-product) much faster. still  $b n^3$
  4. Application: Resource allocation:  $n$  supplier,  $n$  customer, ship  $b$  supplies btwn supplier. customers  
    - match bidders to sellers in auctions.
    - VLSI, Chinese Postman, shortest path in undirect graphs with negative cost (no negative cycles).
    - In machine learning: modified KNN, pruning weighted affinity graph & removing noisy edges.
- Not first attempt:  $b=1$  using BP, 2005; In NIPS 2006 describe use GM for Combi opt by blowing up state space, so standard BP is impractical.

Algo. Notation:  $U = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ ,  $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $E = U \times V$  (fully),  $A_{ij}$  for edge  $(u_i, v_j)$  can be <sup>asym</sup> negative.


b-matching  $M(u_i), M(v_j)$  return set of neighboring vertices in b-matching. In Fig 1. e.g.  $M(u_i) = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ ,  $b$  possibilities  $\binom{n}{b}$  Pick one only!  
So  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $|M(u_i)| = b$ , range  $\forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $|M(v_j)| = b$

$$\phi_j \max_{M(u_i), M(v_j)} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{v_k \in M(u_i)} A_{ik} + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{u_l \in M(v_j)} A_{lj} \leftarrow W(M)$$

Consistency: Eg.  $M(u_1) = \{v_2, v_3\}$ ,  $M(v_2) = \{u_2, u_3\}$  contradictory! need indicator



Now define MRF, s.t. MAP = max<sub>0</sub> b-match / still same graph. fully connected  $u_i$   
 but larger state space  $\binom{n}{b}$   $x_i$  can be. LOOPY

$\phi_i(x_i) = \exp(\sum_{v_j \in x_i} A_{ij})$ ,  $\phi_j(y_j) = \exp(\sum_{u_i \in y_j} A_{ij})$  

$P(x_i, y_j) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \phi_i(x_i) \prod_{j=1}^n \phi_j(y_j) \prod_{i,j=1}^n \psi_{ij}(x_i, y_j) \propto \exp(W(M))$  (b) large space

But edge pot has nice structure consistency, not smoothness.

BP:  $M_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j) = \max_{x_i} \phi_i(x_i) \prod_{k: k \neq j} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$

$b_i(x_i) = \phi_i(x_i) \prod_k M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$

There're diff  $y_j$ :  $\alpha_{ij}(x_i, y_j)$

$x_i$  is an assignment of  $u_i$ , among the  $\binom{n}{b}$  choices

Efficient/compact, exploit structure of  $\gamma_{ij}$   
 For a particular  $y_j$ , ~~enumerate all  $x_i$~~

Motivation:  $y_j = \{ \gamma_{ij} \}$   
 Same row in  $\gamma_{ij}$ , then same msg  
 $y_j, y_j'$  both contain  $u_i$ , then  $\forall \gamma_{ij}(x_i, y_j) = \gamma_{ij}(x_i, y_j')$   
 same row

If  $u_i \in y_j$ , then ~~RHS of  $\alpha_{ij}(x_i, y_j) = 0$~~  if

if  $v_j \in x_i$  ~~sender is in receiver's matching list~~  
 Sender & receiver by  $y_j$  (receiver's assignment)

① If  $u_i \in y_j$  (~~if  $u_i, v_j$  connected~~) then ~~only need to consider  $x_i$  which~~ also  $u_i - v_j$  connect

for all  $x_i$ .  
 If  $v_j \in x_i$  ~~disconnected~~ then  $\gamma_{ij}(x_i, y_j) = 0$ .  ~~$\alpha_{ij}(x_i, y_j) = 0$~~

Else if  $\gamma_{ij}(x_i, y_j) = 1$   
 $M_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j) = \max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \phi_i(x_i) \prod_{k: k \neq j} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$  ← Independent of  $y_j$ !

② If  $u_i \notin y_j$   
 for all  $x_i$

If  $v_j \in x_i$ , then  $\gamma_{ij}(x_i, y_j) = 0$ .

Else if  $v_j \notin x_i$ , then  $\gamma_{ij} = 1$ .

∴  $M_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j) = \max_{x_i: v_j \notin x_i} \phi_i(x_i) \prod_{k: k \neq j} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$  set to 1

So the  $\binom{n}{b}$   $y_j$  are divided into two categories, and we only need to calculate two REAL numbers. ~~Further more~~ Normalize, so that  $\forall y_j: u_i \in U_j, M_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j) = 1$

In ①:  $\prod_{k: k \neq j} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) = \prod_{v_k \in x_i} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \prod_{v_k \notin x_i} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$

In ②:  $M_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j) = \prod_{k: k \neq j, v_k \in x_i} M_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$

Sender isn't in receiver's matching list. Sender & receiver are NOT conn.

But what should  $M_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j)$  be if  $i \sim j$  by  $y_j$ ?

Let's call the normalized message by  $\tilde{m}$ . So  $\tilde{m}_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j) = 1$   
 now can actually drop  $(y_j)$ .

But keeps for clarity

if  $u_i \in y_j$  (i.e.  $u_i - v_j$  i.e. sender isn't in receiver's matching list) otherwise, if connected then.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{m_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j)}{m_{u_i \rightarrow v_j}(y_j)} = \frac{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \phi_i(x_i) \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)}{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \cdot \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)} \\
 & = \frac{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)}{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)} \cdot \frac{1}{\prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)} \\
 & = \frac{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \cdot \prod_{k: k \neq j} 1}{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \cdot \prod_{k: k \neq j} 1} \quad \text{but } \left. \begin{matrix} v_j \in x_i \\ v_k \in x_i \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow k \neq j \\
 & = \frac{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} e^{A_{ij}} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)}{\max_{x_i: v_j \in x_i} \prod_{k: k \neq j} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)} \quad \text{product over the rest } b-1 \text{ elements in } x_i
 \end{aligned}$$

In numerator, ~~to maximize~~  $x_i$  will be chosen among s.t. the feasible  $x_i$  are those which

①  $v_j \in x_i$  ②  $|x_i| = b$ . To maximize, the rest  $b-1$   $v_k$ 's will be the largest  $b-1$  candidates of  $e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$  over  $k \neq j$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & = \frac{e^{A_{ij}} \cdot \text{Product of } b-1 \text{ largest values of } e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \text{ over } k \neq j}{\text{Product of } b \text{ largest values of } e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \text{ over } k \neq j, k \neq j} \\
 & = \frac{e^{A_{ij}}}{\text{the } b\text{th largest } e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \text{ over } k \neq j}
 \end{aligned}$$

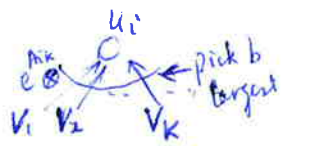
So only need to find the  $b$ th largest  $e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$  keep  $b$  largest  $O(b \cdot n)$  each takes  $b$

Finally, we can't efficiently reconstruct  $b_i(x_i)$ , but can efficiently find its argmax

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_i(x_i) &= \prod_{k: v_k \in x_i} e^{A_{ik}} \prod_{k: v_k \in x_i} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \prod_{k: v_k \in x_i} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \\
 &= \prod_{k: v_k \in x_i} e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i) \cdot \prod_{k: v_k \in x_i} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

So to maximize  $b_i(x_i)$  just pick the  $b$  largest values of  $e^{A_{ik}} \tilde{m}_{v_k \rightarrow u_i}(x_i)$  over  $b = 1 \dots N$

Nash Equili = best policy = LBP fixed point msg



direct motivation? like chinese restaurant process

# Proof of Convergence

Assumptions: 1. MAP is unique, denoted by  $M_G$ . given graph  $G$ . remember  $M$  near

2. Let  $\epsilon = W(M_G) - \max_{M \neq M_G} W(M) = \max W(M) - \text{sec max } W(M)$ .  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$  converge rate

By uniqueness, we can decode at every node individually (separately). So we look at  $u_i$  only i.e. converge to  $M(u_i)$  correct

Unwrapped graph: (one of the standard methods to prove LBP convergence in special cases)

~~Depth~~ Breadth First search with revisiting (backtracking) ~~except~~

$T$ : immediate backtracking. Example ~~graph~~ always a tree (first page book) one to many nodes and edges in  $T$  have same local connectivity & potential functions as the corresponding node in  $G$ .

Show PPT the original tree  $T$  (root node  $u_i$ , fully branched) Motivation: ~~want~~ want to simulate the LBP on  $G$  (with loops) by BP on  $T_d$  (without loop with depth  $d$ )

Key observation: The belief at iteration  $d$  of node  $u_i$  during LBP on  $G$  (i.e. all the msg  $u_i$  receives thus far) is equivalent to the ~~same~~ messages that  $u_i$  receives in the unwrapped tree  $T$  of depth  $d$ . show Ex 283 in PPT.

Given  $T_d$ , we can run max product on this tree and find  $M_{T_d}(\cdot)$  for every node in  $T_d$ . We are interested in  $M_{T_d}(r)$ . Due to simulation result,  $M_{T_d}(r) = \text{belief of } u_i \text{ after running LBP on } G \text{ for } d \text{ iterations}$

W.T.S.  $\exists d_0$ , s.t.  $\forall d > d_0$ .  $M_G(u_i) \neq M_{T_d}(r)$  correct optimal match for  $u_i$  in  $G$  MAP result of  $r$  on  $T_d$  (we care inter)

Proof by contradiction.  $\exists d_0$ .  $\exists d > d_0$   $\neq$  weird limit, finite = infinite

Now we prove by construction: find such  $d_0$ . To do this end, we need to check when does  $M_G(u_i) \neq M_{T_d}(r)$  can possibly hold. If it holds can hold only when  $d \leq \text{sth}$

we are done. So formally, w.t.s.  $M_G(u_i) \neq M_{T_d}(r) \Rightarrow d \leq \text{const}$ . then  $\exists d_0$  we are done.  $d > \text{const} \Rightarrow M_G(u_i) = M_{T_d}(r)$  So equivalent to showing

So now assume  $M_G(u_i) \neq M_{T_d}(r) \Rightarrow d \leq \text{const}$

we upper bound  $d$  from above. show it we ~~from above~~ transplant the result of  $M_G$  to  $M_{T_d}$  then compared with original weight by  $M_{T_d}$  gives better weight linear to  $d$ , at the price of some constant. office

Basic idea, ~~higher~~ higher reward start from  $\neq$ ,  $kd = c$

See illustrative example  $\exists G, M_G \rightarrow T_d$  denote as  $M_G^{G \rightarrow T_d}$

1. Map  $M_G$  from  $G$  to  $T_d$ .  $\checkmark$  Since  $G \rightarrow T$  is one-to-many <sup>preserving</sup> ~~keeping~~ local ~~connectivity~~ connectivity.
2. Find an alternating path btw  $M_{T_d}$  &  $M_G^{G \rightarrow T_d}$ .   
~~degree constantly b~~ ~~red blue~~ ~~blue red~~   
 $M_{T_d}$  MAP on  $T_d$ .   
 $M_G$  mapped to  $T_d$ .

- ①  $P_r$  At root, pick one red & not blue, and one blue & not red.
- ② Possible because  $M_G(u_i) \neq M_{T_d}(r)$ .   
 $M_{T_d}(r)$

③ degree constantly b, so red edge can find a blue & not red child.   
 left, right - go to root We get a path  $P_T$  on  $T$  from one leaf to another leaf via the root, and its edges alternate between  $M_{T_d}(l)$  &  $M_{T_d}$  (2d-1 hence)

Now you may imagine how the transplant  $\alpha$  is performed, toggle the edges

Now map  $P_T$  back to  $G$ , since  $G$  only has  $2n$  nodes, there must be cycles.   
 $V_2 U_4 V_1 U_1 V_3 U_4 V_1 \rightarrow V_2 U_4 V_1$    
 cycles, so at least  $2n$ .   
 The longest cycle is  $2n$ .   
~~so at least~~ ~~at least~~ ~~edges in  $P_T$~~    
 $\#$  edges in  $P_T$    
 $2n$    
 $\frac{d-1}{n}$    
 with some remainder edges   
 constant!   
 pessimistic estimation

show PPT on cycle finding!   
 Suppose there are cycles  $C = \{C_1, \dots, C_k\}$

For  $C_k$  toggle the edges, the new  $M_G^{C_k}$  is still a  $b$ -matching, but no longer optimal

$$W(C_k \cap M_G) + W(M_G \setminus C_k) - W(C_k \cap M_G) - W(M_G \setminus C_k) > W(M_G) + \epsilon$$

$$W(C_k \cap M_G) - W(C_k \cap M_G) \geq \epsilon$$

$$W(C \cap M_G) - W(C \cap M_G) \geq \epsilon \geq \frac{d-1}{n} \epsilon$$

Finally, the remainder  $P$ .  $P$  must be of even length. wlog.  $P$  starts with edge  $e_i$  in  $M_G$ , ends with edge in  $M_{T_d}$ . To create a cycle  $C_p$ , remove last edge  $e_f$  (from  $M_{T_d}$ ) and replace it with an edge back to the first node  $e_f$ . So

$$W(C_p \cap M_G) - W(C_p \cap M_G) \geq \epsilon$$

Compensate the charge of edge  $(C_p \setminus e_i) \cap M_{T_d} \cup e_f \geq \epsilon$

$$W(P \cap M_G) - W(P \cap M_G^c)$$

$$\geq -\max_{e \in M_T} W(e) + \min_{e \in E} W(e)$$

$$W(C_P \cap M_G) - W(P \cap M_G) \geq 0$$

$$W(P \cap M_G) - W(P \cap M_{Td})$$

$$\geq W(C_P)$$

$$\geq W(P' \cap M_G) - W((P' \cap M_{Td}) \cup e_i)$$

$$= W((P' \cup e_f) \cap M_G)$$

$P_G, P_T, e_i \in M_{Td}, e_f$  forms a cycle

$$W(P_G) - W(P_T) - W(e_f) \geq \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow W(P_G) - W(P_T) - W(e_i)$$

$$= W(P_G) - W(P_T) - W(e_f) + W(e_f) - W(e_i)$$

$$\geq \epsilon \quad \geq -\max_{e \in M_T} W(e)$$

For  $C_k$ , originally  $C_k^G, C_k^T$  are from  $G$  and  $M_{Td}$  resp. Now toggle the edges

Let  $R_k^G = M_G \setminus C_k^G$ , then  $R_k^G \cup C_k^T$  is still a  $b$ -matching.

$$\text{But } W(R_k^G \cup C_k^G) - W(R_k^G \cup C_k^T) \geq \epsilon \Rightarrow W(C_k^G) - W(C_k^T) \geq \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow W\left(\sum_{k=1}^I C_k^G\right) - W\left(\sum_{k=1}^I C_k^T\right) \geq I\epsilon \geq \frac{(d-1)\epsilon}{N}$$

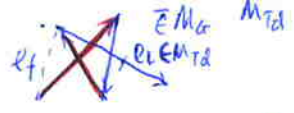
For remainder, 先讲清楚

$$\text{Sum up } W(P_T \cap M_G) - W(P_T \cap M_{Td}) \geq \frac{d+n-1}{n} \epsilon + \min_{e \in E} W(e) - \max_{e \in M_T} W(e)$$

So in tree  $T$ , replace  $P_T \cap M_{Td}$  (blue, crossed edges) by  $P_T \cap M_G$  (red, crossed edges) will give higher weight.

contradicts that  $M_{Td}$  is the max-weight tree.

$$P = \bigoplus_{e_i \in M_{Td}} (c_p \cup e_i) \setminus e_f \quad \text{if } P = P' \cup e_i$$



$$C_P = P' \cup e_f$$

$$P \cap M_G = (c_p \cup e_i) \cap e_f \cup e_i$$

$$= (c_p \cup e_i) \cap e_f \cap M_G^c \cup e_i \quad e_i \in M_G, e_i \in M$$

$$\geq (c_p \cup e_i) \cap M_G^c$$

$$\geq C_P \cap M$$

$$= (c_p \cap e_f^c \cap M_G^c) \cup (e_i \cap e_f^c \cap M_G^c)$$

$$= (c_p \cap e_f^c \cap M_G^c) \cup (e_i \cap e_f^c) \quad \text{if } e_i \neq e_f$$

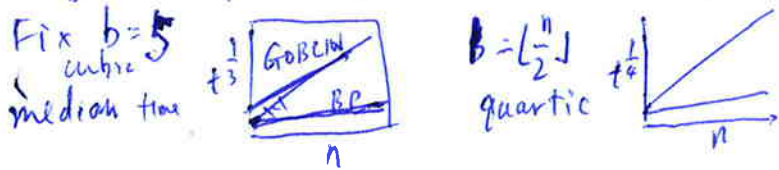
$$\geq (c_p \cap M_G^c \cup e_i) \cap e_f^c$$

$$\geq (c_p \cap e_f^c \cap M_G^c) \cup e_i$$

# Experimental Results

1. Running time. Classical b-matching algo. such as balanced network flow used in GOBLI takes  $O(bn^3)$  time. BP.  $O(bn)$  to compute msg for each node,  $O(n)$  ~~for each~~ <sup>to cover, 2n</sup> nodes and  $O(n)$  iterations to converge. so overall  $O(bn^3)$ . But with much smaller const factor in experiment.

Settings. Randomly generated bipartite graphs with  $n \in [10, 100]$ ,  $b \in [1, \frac{n}{2}]$ , weights independently picked at random from uniform distribution in  $[0, 1]$ . Code in C.



## 2. For classification.

In KNN, some nodes may serve as hub nodes and labeling too many unknown examples while other training points are never used as neighbors.

Using b-matching, each training point will contribute to the labelling of  $b$  testing points only. (assuming #train = #test) downsample testing, run multiple folds

Useful if test data is transformed in some way that preserves the shape of the distribution, but is translated or scaled to confuse KNN.



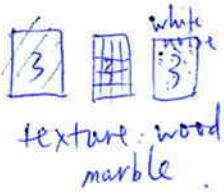
② MNIST.  $28 \times 28$  greyscale. 

train	300	500	800
test	100	100	100

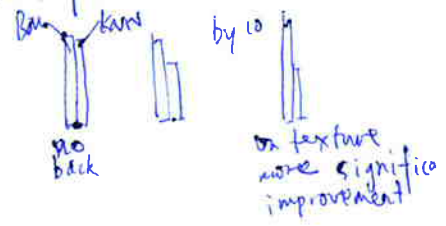
 Cross validate  $b$  &  $k$  in  $[1, 300]$

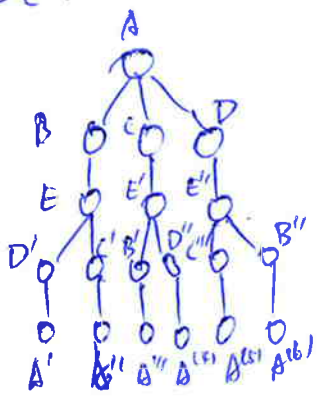
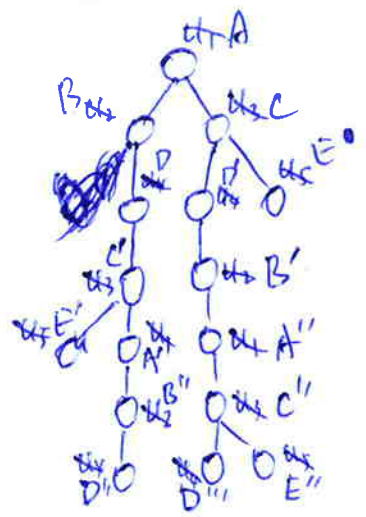
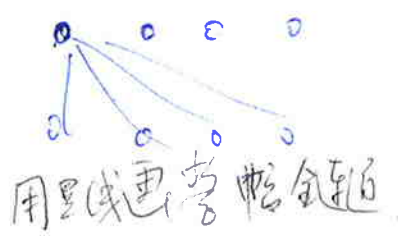
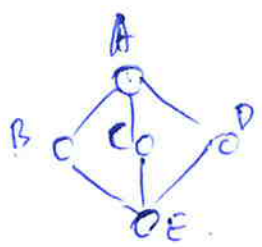
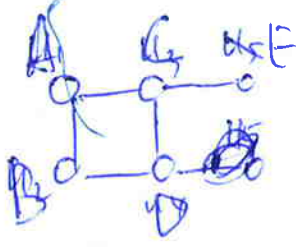
average accuracy over 20 random samplings

testing data are printed against various backgrounds (no longer iid)  
 (in training data, the background is just white)



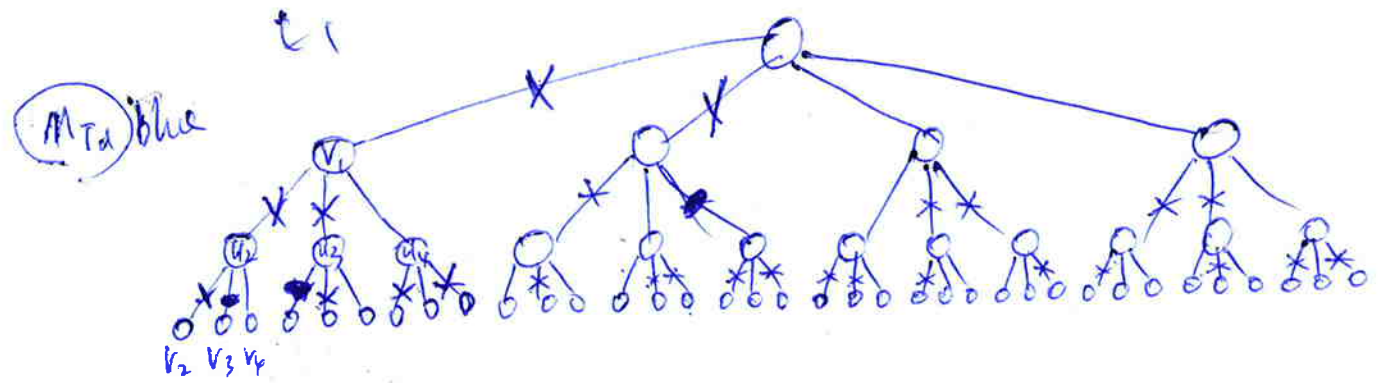
Background replacement is like a translation of image vectors that preserves the general shape of distribution.



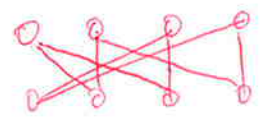


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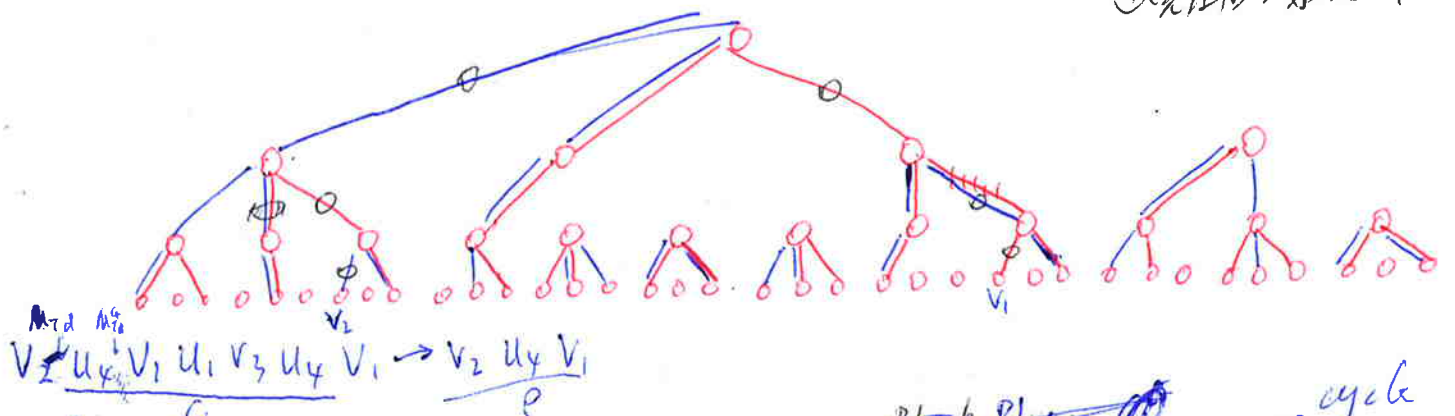
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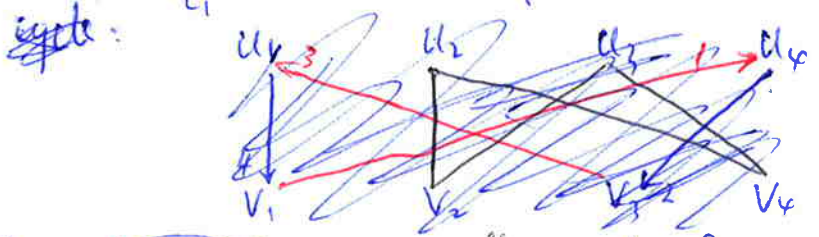
~~M\_G~~ red  $M_{Td}^G$  from  $M_G$  mapped onto  $T, M_G$  is like Foyl!  $M_G$ .



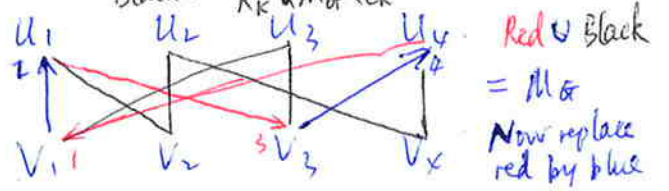
画完以后，最后  $P_T$  用  $X$  表示了



$M_{Td} M_G$   
 $V_1 U_1 V_1 U_1 V_3 U_4 V_1 \rightarrow V_2 U_4 V_1$



Black Blue ~~cycle~~  
 Red:  $C_k^G$  from  $M_{Td}^G$  (from  $G$ )  
 Blue:  $C_k^T$  from  $M_{Td}$   
 Black:  $R_k^G \setminus M_G \setminus C_k^G$



Red  $\cup$  Black =  $M_G$   
 Now replace red by blue

