

Maximum Motif Problem in Vertex-Colored Graphs

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Metabolic Network Analysis

Metabolic network analysis:

- interactions between chemical compounds
- decomposition of metabolic networks into independent functional parts
- understand the modularity and organization in the network

A **functional motif** is a subnetwork representing a given set of functionalities

GRAPH MOTIF

[Lacroix, Fernandes, Sagot, TCBB 2006] introduced a graph-based model:

- vertices \rightarrow reactions
- edges connect successive reactions
- colors of vertices \rightarrow reaction types

Motif: a multiset of colors

GRAPH MOTIF - Combinatorial Problem

Problem (GRAPH MOTIF)

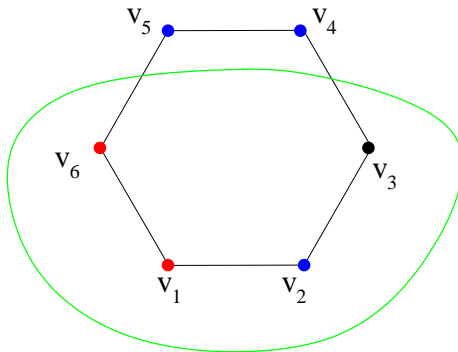
Input: a target vertex-colored graph G and a colored motif \mathcal{M} (a multiset of colors).

Output: a connected component $G' = (V', E')$ of G so that $\mathcal{C}(V') = \mathcal{M}$.

G' is an **occurrence** of \mathcal{M} in G

When \mathcal{M} is a set $\rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is **colorful**

GRAPH MOTIF



$$\mathcal{M} = \{blue, red, red, black\}$$

GRAPH MOTIF - Computational Complexity

GRAPH MOTIF is **NP**-complete:

- even if \mathcal{M} is colorful and the target graph G is a tree with maximum degree 3 [Fellows, Fertin, Hermelin, Vialette, ICALP 2007]
- even if \mathcal{M} consists of two colors, and the target graph is bipartite with maximum degree 4 [Fellows, Fertin, Hermelin, Vialette, ICALP 2007]

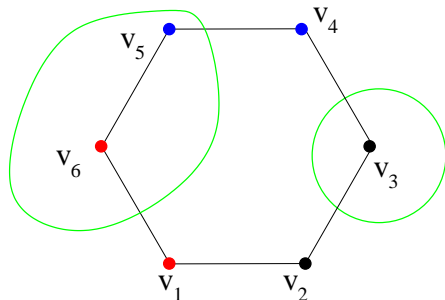
GRAPH MOTIF - Parameterized Complexity

- FPT algorithms for GRAPH MOTIF, when parameterized by $k = |\mathcal{M}|$:
 - time complexity $\mathcal{O}(87^k k \text{ poly}(n))$ [Fellows, Fertin, Hermelin, Vialette, ICALP 2007]
 - improved to $\mathcal{O}(4.32^k k^2 \text{ poly}(n))$ [Betzler, Fellows, Komusiewicz, Niedermeier, CPM 2008]
- GRAPH MOTIF is **W[1]**-hard, when parameterized by the number of colors in \mathcal{M} and the target graph is a tree [Fellows, Fertin, Hermelin, Vialette, ICALP 2007]

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Extensions of GRAPH MOTIF



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Due to measurement errors: the GRAPH MOTIF problem too stringent \rightarrow no occurrence of \mathcal{M} in G

Extensions of GRAPH MOTIF

Relaxations of the definition of occurrence of \mathcal{M} :

- connectivity of an occurrence \Rightarrow MIN-CC [Dondi, Fertin, Vialette, ICTCS 2007]: minimize the number of connected components of the occurrence of \mathcal{M}
- colors of an occurrence \Rightarrow MAXIMUM MOTIF

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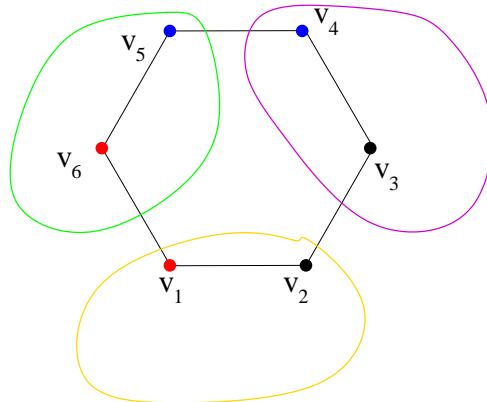
MAXIMUM MOTIF

Problem (MAXIMUM MOTIF)

Input: a target vertex-colored graph G and a colored motif \mathcal{M} .

Output: a connected subgraph $G' = (V', E')$ of G of maximum cardinality, so that $\mathcal{C}(V') \subseteq \mathcal{M}$.

MAXIMUM MOTIF



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MAXIMUM MOTIF - Approximation Complexity

Theorem

MAXIMUM MOTIF is **APX-hard**, even when the target graph is a tree T of degree 3, \mathcal{M} is colorful, each color has at most 2 occurrences in T .

Proof.

L -reduction from Max Independent Set on cubic graphs □

MAXIMUM MOTIF - Approximation Complexity

Theorem

For any constant $\delta < 1$, MAXIMUM MOTIF cannot be approximated within ratio $2^{\log^\delta n}$ unless $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{DTIME}[2^{\text{poly} \log n}]$, even when the target graph is a tree and \mathcal{M} is colorful.

Proof.

Self-Improvement



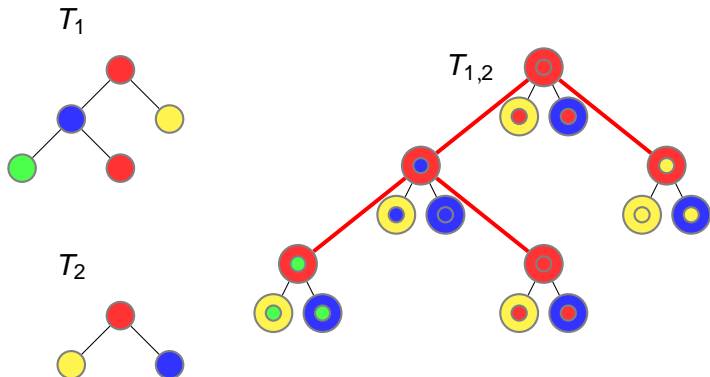
MAXIMUM MOTIF - Self-Improvement

Definition

Let $I_1 = (\mathcal{M}_1, T_1)$, $I_2 = (\mathcal{M}_2, T_2)$ be two instances of MAXIMUM MOTIF, the **product** $I_1 \times I_2 = (T_{1,2}, \mathcal{M}_{1,2})$

- $T_{1,2}$ is a vertex-colored tree
- $\mathcal{M}_{1,2} = \{c_{a,b} : c_a \in \mathcal{M}_1, c_b \in \mathcal{M}_2\}$

MAXIMUM MOTIF - Self-Improvement



MAXIMUM MOTIF - Self-Improvement

Self-improvement:

- Self-product $I^k = I^{k-1} \times I$

Lemma

Let T_k be a solution for MAXIMUM MOTIF over instance I^k , then we can compute in polynomial time a solution T for MAXIMUM MOTIF over instance I , so that $|T|^k \geq |T_k|$

Lemma

Let T be a solution for MAXIMUM MOTIF over instance I , then there exists a solution T_k for MAXIMUM MOTIF over instance I^k , so that $|T_k| \geq |T|^k$

MAXIMUM MOTIF - Parameterized Complexity

Lemma

MAXIMUM MOTIF is in **FPT** when parameterized by the size of the solution.

Two fixed-parameter algorithms based on **color-coding** technique:

- when the target graph is a tree: time complexity $\mathcal{O}(k2^k n^3 \log n)2^{\mathcal{O}(k)}$
- for general graphs: time complexity $\mathcal{O}(k2^{5k} n^2 \log n)4^{\mathcal{O}(k)}$

MAXIMUM MOTIF- Parameterized Algorithms

Perfect Hash Family - PHF

Definition

A family \mathcal{F} of functions from S to $\{1, \dots, k\}$ is **perfect** if for any subset $S' \subseteq S$ of k elements, there is an $f \in \mathcal{F}$ which is one-to-one on S' .

$|\mathcal{F}| = \mathcal{O}(2^{\mathcal{O}(k)} \log n)$ [Alon, Yuster, Zwick, J. ACM 1995]

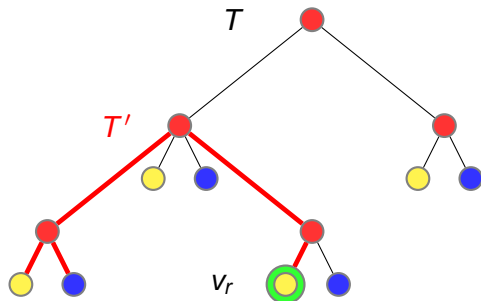
MAXIMUM MOTIF - Parameterized Algorithms

When the target graph tree is a **tree** T :

Definition

Let T' be a subtree of T , then a vertex $v \in T'$ is defined as the **rightmost** vertex of T' iff:

- v has no child in T' ;
- there is no vertex in T' which is a right sibling of a vertex on the path from r to v



v_r is the rightmost vertex of T'

MAXIMUM MOTIF - Parameterized Algorithms

Fixed-parameter algorithm when the target graph tree is a **tree**
 T :

- 1 PHF from \mathcal{M} to $\{1, \dots, k\}$
- 2 dynamic programming to compute

$$P_r[v, K]$$

where v is the rightmost vertex of a tree $T' = (V', E')$ and $\mathcal{C}(V')$ is labeled by set $K \subseteq \{1, \dots, k\}$

MAXIMUM MOTIF - Parameterized Algorithms

For **general graphs**:

- 1 combining two PHFs:
 - PHF from \mathcal{M} to $\{1, \dots, k\}$
 - PHF from V to $\{1, \dots, k\}$
- 2 dynamic programming similar to [Fellows, Fertin, Hermelin, Vialette, ICALP 2007]

MAXIMUM MOTIF - Exponential-time Algorithms

Theorem

MAXIMUM MOTIF *for trees of size n can be solved in $\mathcal{O}(1.62^n \text{ poly}(n))$ time. In case \mathcal{M} is colorful, the time complexity reduces to $\mathcal{O}(1.33^n \text{ poly}(n))$.*

Exact branch-and-bound algorithms

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Future Directions

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- More efficient fixed-parameter algorithms
- Efficient heuristics
- New formulations of the problem

Conclusion

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- GRAPH MOTIF and biological motivations
- Extensions of GRAPH MOTIF \Rightarrow MAXIMUM MOTIF
- Hardness results for MAXIMUM MOTIF
- MAXIMUM MOTIF is in FPT
- Exponential-time algorithms for MAXIMUM MOTIF
- Future directions