

✱ 以下千篇, 探討 marriage problem (bilateral preference lists), Roommates problem (不再具 bipartite 性質) 中, popular matching 的相關議題

[補充]

Stable Marriage Problem (SM)

complete 版 ■ 所有 instances 都有 stable matching 解, 可在 $O(n^2)$ time 找出

incomplete 版 ■ $=$ 同 size 版 $=$, $= O(m)$ $=$

with tie 版 ■ 所有 instances 都有 stable matching 解, 但 size 不定, 欲求出 max/min size 的 stable matching 解是 NP-hard

Stable Roommates Problem (SR)

complete 版 ■ 未必所有 instance 皆有 stable matching, 若有, 可在 $O(n^2)$ time 找出。

with tie 版 ■ 欲辨別 某 instance 是否具 stable matching, 屬 NP-complete.

15. [CIAC 2010] Popular matchings in the Marriage and Roommates problems by Biro, Irving, and Manlove

本文探討 popularity 和 stability 的關係, 並證明「分辨一個 with tie 的 Roommate / Marriage instance 是否具有 popular matching, 屬於 NP-hard」

④ Without tie 時

對 RP instance I 而言

strongly popular $\Rightarrow$ stable $\Rightarrow$ popular $\Rightarrow$ maximal

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▲ 本文 gives 一個 $O(m)$ algorithm 來「determine if I 具 strongly popular matching

▲ = $O(\sqrt{\ln x(n, m)} m \log^{\frac{3}{2}} n)$ = popular =

▲ Given I , 求出一個任意 size 的 popular matching, if exists, 仍 open

對 MP instance I 而言

因 MP 為 RP 的 special case, 故亦具同性質。

▲ 本文 gives 一個 $O(m \log m)$ time 算法, 「determine if I 具 popular 解」

▲ Given I , 求出 max-cardinality popular matching 解, 仍 open

④ with ties 時

透過 reduction to Exact-Maximal-Matching problem, 證明 MPT 及 RRT 均為 NP-complete problem.

16. [ESA 2011] Near-popular matchings in the Roommates problem

在上文中已证明, 欲判断一个 RP instance 存在 popular matching 是否是 NP-hard, 故本文退求其次, 找一个 I 中必定存在的配对 = least unpopularity factor matching.

定义 $\Delta(M_0, M_1) = \frac{\text{支持 } M_1 \text{ 人数}}{\text{支持 } M_0 \text{ 人数}}$

unpopularity factor of M : $u(M) = \max_{M'} \Delta(M, M')$

即 $u(M)$ 象徵 M 最惨烈的一仗

而所有 matchings 中最小 $u(M)$ 者, 即不曾惨败的, 即为所求 (必存在)

▲ 可惜的是, 虽然定义显示 least unpopularity factor matching 必存在, 但要找到它亦十分困难, 连想求一个 $\frac{1}{3}$ 倍逼近的解都被证明是 NP-hard.

▲ 所幸, 本文证明, 任何 instance 皆有 unpopularity factor 在 $O(\log n)$ 以内的 matching, 且提出 linear time method 找出它

17. [ICALP 2011] Popular Matchings in the Stable Marriage Problem by Huang, Telikepalli

在第15篇论文中提到

①. Given MP instance, 求 max-cardinality popular matching 解, 仍 open

⇒ 本文提出一个 $O(mn_0)$ time 方法, where $n_0 = \min(|A|, |B|)$

② 一个在 $O(\sqrt{n}m)$ time 分辨 I 是否有 popular matching 的方法

⇒ 本文提出一个 linear time 解法

18. [SODA 2012] Popularity vs Maximum Cardinality in the stable marriage setting by Telikepalli

⇒ 再改进第17篇①的 time complexity 到 $O(m)$

△ 另外提出一个 local-popular 的问题, 希望在 max-cardinality matchings 所成集合 M 中, 找到一个 popular than M 中其他配对的 solution M^* . (其实 M^* 未必 popular with all matchings in G) ^{or equal to}

⇒ 提出一个 $O(mn_0)$ time 方法

[SODA 2005] Popular Matchings

Assume I is a popular matching instance,

Given a not popular matching M_0 ,

try to give an efficient algorithm for computing a shortest-length path $\langle M_0, M_1, M_2, \dots, M_k \rangle$ such that

" M_i is more popular than M_{i-1} , and M_k is a popular matching"

[ICALP 2006] Weighted Popular Matchings

原 popular 的定義:

" M_1 is more popular than M_2 " $\Leftrightarrow$ "prefer M_1 的人比 prefer M_2 的多"

新定義

" M_1 is more popular than M_2 " $\Leftrightarrow$ " M_1 中所有 applicant 配到對象的意願序
總和較 M_2 為大"

try to find an efficient algorithm.

[ESA 2006] Popular Matchings in the capacitated House Allocation Problem

Capacitated House Allocation problem (CHA) 及 CHA with ties (CHAT) problem 的 complexity 為何?

是 $O(nm)$ / $O((J+n_1)m)$ 的解 so far

[Journal of Discrete Algorithms 2010] Popular Matchings in the Weighted Capacitated House Allocation Problem

Weighted Capacitated House Allocation problem (with ties)
即 WCHAT, 是否存在 polynomial time algorithm 可 give
a popular matching if exists, or report that none exists.

[CIAC 2010] Popular Matchings in the Marriage and Roommates Problem

① Given "J Marriage problem instance without tie,
what is the complexity of finding a max-cardinality popular matching
⇒ [ICALP 2011] 解掉了

② "finding a popular matching or reporting that none exists for an
instance of Roommates Problem" 是否可在 polynomial time 完成

③ 同 ②, 但限定 max-cardinality popular matching

[ESA 2011] Near-popular matchings in the Roommates Problem

design an algorithm with approximation better than $O(\log V)$
to compute a least unpopularity factor matching.