Property Testing of Graphs and the Role of Neighborhood Distributions

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time complexity: $\Omega(|V|)$

















complexity: # queries to data structure













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 Π constant-query testable iff freq_k(G) indicates membership

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Benjamini, Schramm, Shapira, STOC'08











remove *cdn* edges for any $\epsilon > 0$ $\rho(\epsilon)$ for some ρ **Theorem (informal) [BSS'08]**

If graph *G* is $\rho(\epsilon)$ -hyperfinite, then any graph *H* with freq(*G*) \approx freq(*H*) is $\rho'(\epsilon)$ -hyperfinite for some $\rho' \approx \rho$.

 Π is $\rho\text{-hyperfinite}$

 Π has constant query complexity









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Every non-trivial, constant-query testable property of boundeddegree graphs contains an infinite hyperfinite subproperty.

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Theorem (informal) [with CPS]

Every constant-query property tester for general graphs that queries adjacency lists can be reduced to (multiple) random BFS.

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One-sided error constant-query testers that query adjacency lists admit a $O(\log n)$ -space random-order streaming tester.

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