

## Distributed Load Balancing on Graphs

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How should we generate the matchings?

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## Matching Model

+ less communication
+ monotone
- matchings have to be specified



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Crucial Properties:

- An edge $\{u, v\} \in E$ is included with prob. $\approx \frac{1}{\text { maxdeg }}$
- Matchings in different rounds are generated independently


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## Random Matching

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- convergence captured by the spectral gap of the graph



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## Discrete vs. Continuous Load Balancing

What is the relation between the discrete and continuous case?

Subramannian and Scherson 1994, Ghosh, Leighton, Maggs, Muthukrishnan, Plaxton, Rajaraman, Richa, Tarjan and Zuckerman 1995, Lovasz and Winkler 1995, Muthukrishnan, Ghosh and Schultz 1996, Rabani, Sinclair and Wanka 1998.

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Question
How to minimize the gap between the discrete and continuous case?

## Asynchronous Execution (Smoothing Networks)

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- load vector is never changed
- discrepancy remains 3 (or more generally, $d=\log _{2} n$ )


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Average Case Input (Friedrich, S., Vilenchik, 2011)
Even if the initial load at a node is chosen i.u.r. in $\{0,1, \ldots, n-1\}$, then the discrepancy is at least $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \log _{2} \log _{2} n-2$ w.p. $1-n^{-1}$.
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- focus on the last phase ( $D$ drops from 3 to 2 )


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