Prior work on the (full/sparse) triangle finding problem


Figure 1: Graphical depiction of the historical overview of triangle finding algorithms

| Author(s) | Year | Title | Query complexity |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| Szegedy | 2003 | On the query complexity of <br> finding triangles in graphs | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{10 / 7}\right)$ |
| Magniez, Santha, Szegedy | 2003 | Algorithms for quantum <br> triangle finding | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{13 / 10}\right)$ |
| Belovs | 2011 | Span programs for functions <br> with constant 1-sized certificates | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{35 / 27}\right)$ |
| Lee, Magniez, Santha | 2012 | Improved quantum query <br> algorithms for triangle finding <br> and associativity testing | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{9 / 7}\right)$ |
| Jerrey, Kothari, Magniez | 2012 | Nested quantum walks with <br> quantum data structures | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{9 / 7}\right)$ |
| Le Gall | 2014 | Improved quantum algorithm <br> for triangle finding via <br> combinatorial arguments | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{5 / 4}\right)$ |

Table 1: Historical overview of algorithms for full triangle finding, i.e., without assumptions on the number of edges.

| Author(s) | Year | Title | Query complexity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Buhrman, Dürr, Heiligman, Høyer, Magniez, Santha, de Wolf | 2000 | Quantum algorithms for element distinctness | $\mathcal{O}(n+\sqrt{n m})$ |
| Le Gall, Nakajima | 2015 | Quantum triangle finding in sparse graphs | $\begin{cases}\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}(n+\sqrt{n m}), & \text { if } 0 \leq m \leq n^{7 / 6} \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n m^{1 / 14}\right), & \text { if } n^{7 / 6} \leq m \leq n^{7 / 5} \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{1 / 6} m^{2 / 3}\right), & \text { if } n^{7 / 5} \leq m \leq n^{3 / 2} \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{23 / 30} m^{4 / 15}\right), & \text { if } n^{3 / 2} \leq m \leq n^{13 / 8} \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{59 / 60} m^{2 / 15}\right), & \text { if } n^{13 / 8} \leq m \leq n^{2}\end{cases}$ |
| Carette, Laurière, Magniez | 2016 | Extended learning graphs for triangle finding | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(n^{11 / 12} m^{1 / 6}\right)$, if $m \geq n^{5 / 4}$ |

Table 2: Historical overview of algorithms for sparse triangle finding, i.e., with assumptions on the number of edges.

| Author(s) | Year | Title | Parameter | Query complexity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Magniez, Santha, Szegedy | 2003 | Algorithms for quantum triangle finding | None | $\mathcal{O}\left(n^{2 / 3}\right)$ |
| Jeffery, Kothari, Magniez | 2012 | Improving quantum query complexity of boolean matrix multiplication using graph collision | Number of non-edges in the graph, $\ell$ | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}(\sqrt{n}+\sqrt{\ell})$ |
| Belovs | 2012 | Learning graph-based quantum algorithm for $k$-distinctness | Size of the largest independent set, $\alpha$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{n} \alpha^{1 / 6}\right)$ |
| Gavinsky, Ito | 2012 | A quantum query algorithm for the graph collision problem | Maximum total degree of any independent set, $\alpha^{*}$ | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(\sqrt{n}+\sqrt{\alpha^{*}}\right)$ |
|  |  |  | Random graphs with each edge independently being present with fixed probability | $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}(\sqrt{n})$ |
| Ambainis, Balodis, Iraids, Ozols, Smotrovs | 2013 | Parametrized quantum query complexity of graph collision | Treewidth, $t$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{n} t^{1 / 6}\right)$ |
|  |  |  | $\alpha^{* *}$ - definition below | $\mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{n}+\sqrt{\alpha^{* *}}\right)$ |

Table 3: Overview of (parametrized) algorithms for graph collision, mainly based on Ambainis' survey presented in the paper stated above.

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\alpha^{* *}=\min _{\substack{V C \subseteq V \\ V C \text {-vertex } \subseteq \text { cover of } G}} \max _{\substack{I \subseteq V C \\ I-\text { independent set }}} \sum_{v \in I} \operatorname{deg}(v)
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