

Problem set 4

Due: 11:59PM, October 6, 2020

**Problem 1.** Consider a *hypergraph*  $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$  of rank  $r$  s.t. each *hyperedge*  $e = (u_1, \dots, u_r) \in \mathcal{E}$  connects exactly  $r$  vertices  $u_1, \dots, u_r \in \mathcal{V}$  together (a hypergraph of rank 2 is a simple graph). A *hypermatching*  $\mathcal{M}$  in  $\mathcal{G}$  is a collection of hyperedges that do not share any vertices. In the semi-streaming setting for hypergraphs, we again assume  $\mathcal{V} := [n]$  and each hyperedge  $e$  in  $\mathcal{E}$  arrives in the stream; we require the algorithm to use space  $O(n \cdot \text{polylog}(n))$  as before—note that this space is in particular enough to write down all edges of a hypermatching as its size can only be  $O(n/r)$  and each can be represented in  $O(r)$  space.

- (i) Design a semi-streaming  $r$ -approximation algorithm for the problem of finding a *maximum cardinality* hypermatching.
- (ii) Design a semi-streaming  $O(r^2)$ -approximation algorithm for the problem of finding a *maximum weight* hypermatching.
- (iii) Design a semi-streaming  $(1+\varepsilon)r$ -approximation algorithm for the problem of finding a *maximum weight* hypermatching.

*Note:* If you solved the last part (even if it is an  $O(r)$ -approximation algorithm) you do not need to solve either of the previous two parts. Also, you may assume that the weights of edges are  $\text{poly}(n)$ -bounded.