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Cutting a graph into two dissimilar halves. (In English)

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Given a graph G and a subset S of the vertex set of G, the discrepancy of Sis defined as the difference between the actual and expected numbers of the edges in the subgraph induced on S. We show that for every graph with nvertices and e edges, u < e < n(n-1)/4, there is an n/2-element subset with the discrepancy of the order of magnitude of \sqrt{n} . For graphs with fewer than n edges, we calculate the asymptotics for the maximum guaranteed discrepancy of an n/2-element subset. We also introduce a new notion called "bipartite discrepancy" and discuss related results and open problems.

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