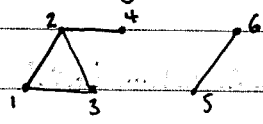


# 3503 Graph Theory and Combinatorics Notes

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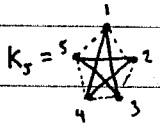


$G = (V, E)$   
 $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$   
 $E = \{\{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{4, 5\}, \{5, 6\}\}$

$V$  - vertices  
 $E$  - edges

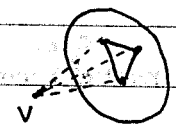
# number of  
 $k$  for complete

Extremal graph theory



between nodes (people)  
 --- strangers  
 — friends  
 no triangles  $\Rightarrow$  situation where you can avoid pairing with stranger

Ramsey Theory



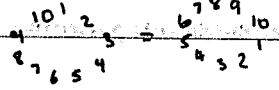
$b$  people

Intro to combinatorics:

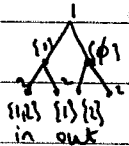
# edges in  $K_5 =$  # unordered pairs from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} = \binom{5}{2} = \frac{5 \times 4}{2} = 10$

$X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\}$

How many cyclic permutations of  $X$  are there?



# cyclic permutations =  $9! = \frac{10!}{10}$



- 1, 2, 3, ..., 10
- 2, 3, 4, ..., 10, 1
- ...
- 9, 10, ..., 1, 8
- 10, ..., 1, 9

$X = \{1, \dots, n\}$       $\mathcal{A} = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 4, n\}\}$

$\mathcal{A}$  family of subsets of  $X$  is intersecting i.f

$A, B \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A \cap B \neq \emptyset$

# all subsets of  $X = 2^n$

for each element two choices in/out  
 $\dots$   
 $n$  times  $\Rightarrow 2^n$

$|\mathcal{A}| \leq 2^{n-1}$  Because have at most one of each complementary pair:  $(B, X \setminus B)$

$B \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow X \setminus B \notin \mathcal{A}$

$\mathcal{A} = \{A \subseteq [n] : 8 \in A\}$  ( $n \geq 8$ )

$\uparrow$   
 notation for set  $X$   
 $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$|\mathcal{A}| = 2^{n-1} =$  # subsets of an  $(n-1)$  set

lemma 1.1

(i) #  $k$ -tuples from  $X = [n] = n^k$

Proof:  $n$  choices for each of  $k$  positions

e.g.  $X = [4]$   $k = 2$  2-tuples from  $X$  are

- (1,1) (2,1) (3,1) (4,1)
- (1,2) (2,2) (3,2) (4,2)
- (1,3) (2,3) (3,3) (4,3)
- (1,4) (2,4) (3,4) (4,4)

(ii) #  $k$ -tuples with distinct elements from  $X = n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1)$

Proof:  $n$  choices for 1<sup>st</sup> entry

$n-1$  " " 2<sup>nd</sup> "  
 etc

$n-(k-1)$  " "  $k$ <sup>th</sup> entry  $\square$

$$\binom{X}{k} = \{A \subseteq X : |A| = k\}$$

any set A size k in X <sup>subset</sup>

$$\binom{5}{2} = 10$$

$$\binom{[5]}{2} = \{1,2,3,4,5\} = \{\{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \dots, \{4,5\}\}$$

### Lemma 1.2

$$|X| = n \text{ and } 0 \leq k \leq n \text{ then } \left| \binom{X}{k} \right| = \binom{n}{k}$$

Each k-set of X corresponds to k! different k-tuples of distinct elements of X <sup>from</sup>

$$\text{Hence lemma 1.1 (ii)} \Rightarrow \left| \binom{X}{k} \right| = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1)}{k!}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

### Probabilistic Method

Idea: want an example of some mathematical object

Invent a probabilistic "experiment" where  $P_e(\text{That the experiment generates a good example}) > 0$

$$0! = 1 \Rightarrow \binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$$

$$\text{Define } \binom{n}{k} = 0 \text{ if } k < 0, k > n \text{ integer}$$

$$P(X) = \{A : A \subseteq X\}$$

### Lemma 1.3

$$(i) |P(X)| = 2^n : n \text{ elements in or out} \Rightarrow 2^n$$

$$(ii) \binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}, \quad \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!}$$

$B \mapsto X \setminus B$  is a bijection

from  $\binom{X}{k}$  to  $\binom{X}{n-k}$

$$(iii) \binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1} = \# \text{ subsets of } [n+1]$$

$$\left| \binom{[n+1]}{k} \right| = \# \text{ subsets of } [n+1] \text{ of size } k \text{ not containing } n+1 + \# \text{ subsets of } [n+1] \text{ of size } k \text{ containing } n+1$$

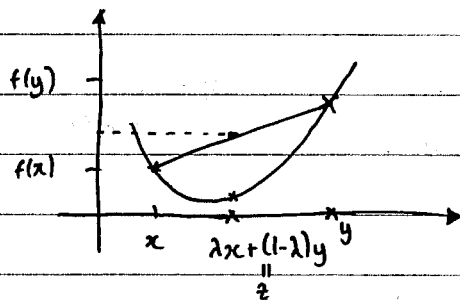
$x \in \mathbb{R}, s \geq 0$  integer

$$\binom{x}{s} = \begin{cases} \frac{x(x-1)\dots(x-s+1)}{s!}, & x \geq s-1 \\ 0, & x < s-1 \end{cases}$$

$f: (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  convex if  $\forall x,y \in (a,b) \quad \lambda \in [0,1]$

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$$f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$



#### Lemma 1.4

If  $f: (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  differentiable

$f'(x)$  non-decreasing on  $(a,b)$  then  $f$  is convex on  $(a,b)$

#### Proof

Let  $x,y \in (a,b) \quad \lambda \in [0,1], x < y$

If  $z = \lambda x + (1-\lambda)y$  apply Mean Value Theorem

MVT: there exist  $\xi_1 \in (x,z), \xi_2 \in (z,y)$  s.t.  $\frac{f(z) - f(x)}{z-x} = f'(\xi_1), \frac{f(y) - f(z)}{y-z} = f'(\xi_2)$

Rearrange to give (1) using  $f'(\xi_1) \leq f'(\xi_2)$   $\square$

#### Lemma 1.5

$s \geq 1, \varphi_s: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \varphi_s(x) = \binom{x}{s}$ , then  $\varphi_s(x)$  is convex

#### Proof

By induction on  $s$ , show  $\varphi_s'(x), \varphi_s''(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in (s-1, \infty)$

$$\varphi_1'(x), \varphi_1''(x) \geq 0 \quad \therefore \text{True for } s=1$$

Fact:  $s \varphi_s(x) = (x-s+1) \varphi_{s-1}(x)$

Differentiate:  $s \varphi_s'(x) = \varphi_{s-1}(x) + (x-s+1) \varphi_{s-1}'(x) \geq 0$  (by induction hypothesis on  $s-1$ )

Similarly for  $\varphi_s''(x)$ :

$$s \varphi_s''(x) = 2 \varphi_{s-1}'(x) + (x-s+1) \varphi_{s-1}''(x) \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \varphi_s'(x), \varphi_s''(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \text{(by Lemma 1.4)} \quad \varphi_s(x) \text{ is convex} \quad \square$$

#### Theorem 1.6

If  $\varphi: (a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex  $x_1, \dots, x_n \geq a$

$$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in [0,1], \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1 \text{ then } \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \varphi(x_i)$$

Proof

True for  $n=1$  ✓ (By induction)

$n=2$  ✓

Now suppose  $n \geq 3$ , assume  $\forall \lambda_i, \lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n > 0$

$$y_i = \begin{cases} x_i, & 1 \leq i \leq n-2 \\ \frac{\lambda_{n-1}x_{n-1} + \lambda_n x_n}{\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n}, & i = n-1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_i = \begin{cases} \lambda_i & 1 \leq i \leq n-2 \\ \lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n & i = n-1 \end{cases}$$

$y_1, \dots, y_{n-1} > 0$   $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{n-1} \in [0, 1]$   $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_i = 1$   $\therefore$  Apply induction hypothesis for  $n-1$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_i y_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_i \varphi(y_i)$$

$$\varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \lambda_i \varphi(x_i) + (\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n) \varphi\left(\frac{\lambda_{n-1}x_{n-1} + \lambda_n x_n}{\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n}\right)$$

convexity  $\Rightarrow$  result  $\square$

Corollary 1.7

Proof

Directly from Theorem 1.6 by convexity of  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $f(x) = \binom{x}{s}$   $\square$

Lemma 1.8

$$\frac{(n-s+1)^s}{s!} \leq \binom{n}{s} \leq \frac{n^s}{s!}$$

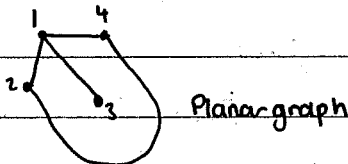
$\frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-s+1)}{s!}$   $\leftarrow$   $s$  terms  $\Rightarrow$  inequality

Graphs

$G = (V, E)$   
 $\uparrow$  vertices  $\uparrow$  edges

$G = (\{4\}, \{\{2,1\}, \{3,1\}, \{4,2\}\})$   
 order is 4 (4 vertices) size 3 (3 edges)

$$E \subseteq \binom{V}{2}$$



$\square(1) = \{2,3,4\}$  neighbourhood of 1

$d(1) = 3$  degree of 1 (number of things it's connected to)

Lemma 1.9 (Handshake Lemma)

$$G = (V, E) \quad \sum_{v \in V} d(v) = 2|E| \quad \text{---} \textcircled{*}$$

for above example  $3+1+1+1 = 2 \times |E| = 6$

Proof

Each edge has two endpoints so is counted twice in the LHS of  $\textcircled{*}$   $\square$

$G = (V, E)$   
 a graph  $\sum_{v \in V} d(v) = 2|E|$

lemma 1.10

In any graph the number of vertices of odd degrees is even

Proof

Take a graph  $G = (V, E)$

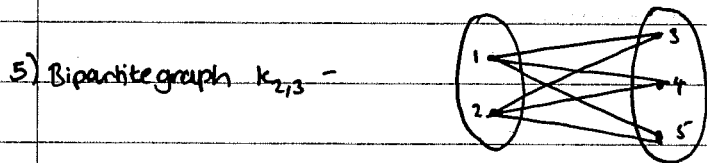
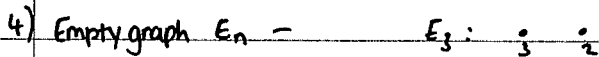
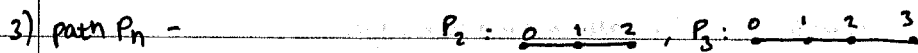
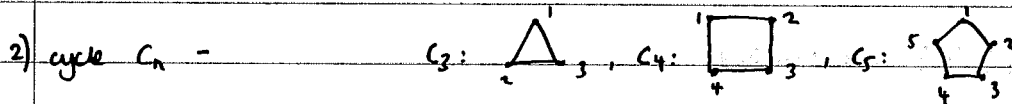
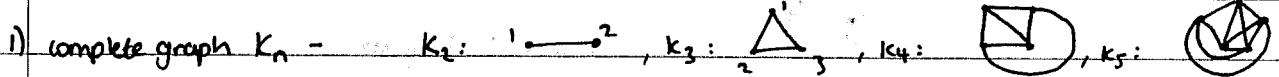
$V = A \dot{\cup} B$  where  $A = \{v : d(v) \text{ odd}\}$ ,  $B = \{v : d(v) \text{ even}\}$

$\sum_{v \in V} d(v) = 2|E|$  is even

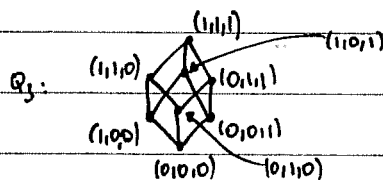
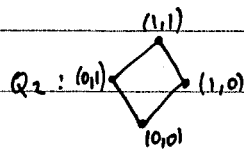
$\sum_{v \in B} d(v)$  is even since it is a sum of even numbers

Hence  $\sum_{v \in A} d(v) = 2|E| - \sum_{v \in B} d(v)$  is even

Hence  $|A|$  is even  $\square$



6)  $\{0,1\}^n$   $V(Q_n) = \{0,1\}^n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_i \in \{0,1\} \forall i\}$

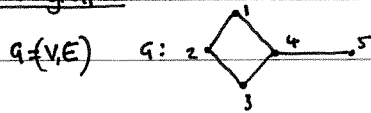


hypercube can relate to powerset

$\mathcal{P}([n]) = \{A : A \subseteq [n]\} \leftrightarrow \{0,1\}^n$

$A \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_n), x_i = 1 \text{ iff } i \in A$

### 1.5 Subgraphs



$H_1 =$  is a subgraph of  $G$   
 not induced (as we haven't taken the edge 3,4)

$H_2 =$  is an induced subgraph

$$H_2 = G[\{2, 3, 4, 5\}]$$

(graph is defined by edges and vertices, not diagram)

$H_3 =$   $H_3$  and  $G$  are isomorphic  
 can rename labels to become same as  $G$

$G$  contains a copy of  $H =$

### 1.6 components + connectedness

from  $G =$   $v_1, v_4, v_5$  is a path in  $G$   
 it is a  $v_1-v_5$ -path

$v_1, v_4, v_5, v_4, v_3$  is a walk in  $G$

$v_1, v_4, v_5, v_4, v_3, v_2, v_1$  is a closed walk in  $G$  (starts + finishes at same place)

$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  is a tour in  $G$  (not allowed to reuse edges)

#### lemma 1.11

There is an  $x$ - $y$ -path in  $G$  iff there is an  $x$ - $y$  walk in  $G$

#### Proof

( $\Rightarrow$ ) a path is a walk (trivial)

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Take the shortest walk from  $x$  to  $y$

If any vertex is revisited we could shorten this walk

Hence it is a path  $\square$

lemma 1.12

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Define a relation  $\sim$  on  $V(G)$  by  $v \sim w$  iff there is a walk from  $v$  to  $w$  in  $G$

There is an equivalence relation

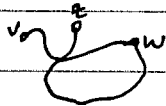
Proof

properties of equivalence relation

Reflexive  $v \sim v$  take walk  $v$

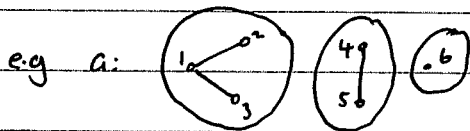
Symmetric  $v \sim w \Rightarrow \exists$  walk  $w$  to  $v$ , reverse it

Transitivity  $v \sim w$  and  $w \sim z$  then concatenate the  $v \sim w$  and  $w \sim z$  walks to give a  $v \sim z$  walk  $\square$



$\sim$  induces a partition of  $V(G) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots \cup V_k$

each  $V_i$  is a component



$G$  is connected iff there is a single component

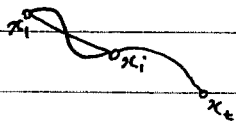
lemma 1.13

$P = x_1 x_2 \dots x_k$  is a path in  $G$

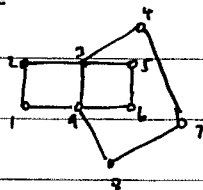
If  $P$  is a shortest  $x_1 - x_k$  path in  $G$  then  $x_1 \dots x_i$  and  $x_i \dots x_k$  are shortest  $x_1 - x_i$  and  $x_i - x_k$  paths respectively

Proof

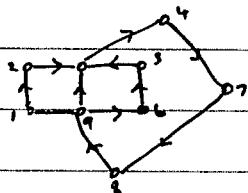
If not could shorten  $P$



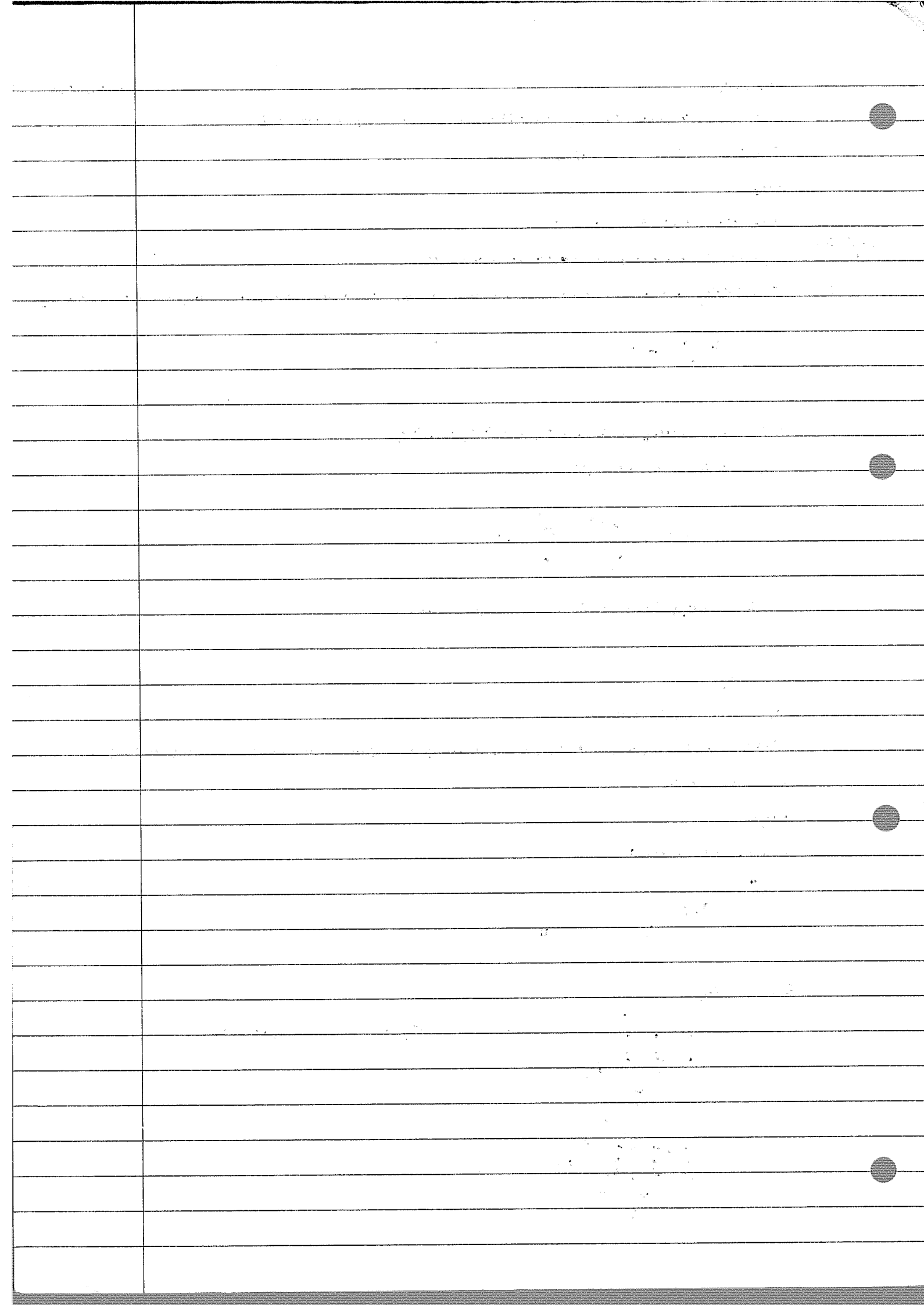
Euler circuits



can you find an EC (where we use edges only once)







1.7. Euler Circuits

An Euler circuit in a graph is a closed tour <sup>start-end</sup> containing all vertices and edges of  $G$  <sup>no repeated edges</sup>

Theorem 1.14

A graph  $G$  has Euler circuit iff it is connected and all vertices have even degree.

Proof

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume  $G$  has an Euler circuit  $T = v_0 v_1 \dots v_k$  ( $v_0 = v_k$ ).

So  $G$  is certainly connected. Follow  $T$  counting the contribution to the degree of each vertex we visit.

Add 2 each time (except at start + end). Hence all degrees are even.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) So suppose  $G$  is connected and all vertices have even degree.

Take a longest tour  $T = v_0 v_1 \dots v_k$  in  $G$ .

Claim:  $v_0 = v_k$  if not let  $k = \# \{i : v_i = v_k\}$

then if  $v_0 \neq v_k$  then we could have used  $2j - 2 + 1 = 2j - 1$  edges incident to  $v_k$

$\therefore$  An unused edge  $v_k v^* \Rightarrow T' = v_0 \dots v_k v^*$  is a longer tour ~~##~~

Hence  $v_0 = v_k$

If there is an unused edge say  $e = uv$ , there are two cases to consider

Case ①

$u$  or  $v$  is in  $T$ , say  $v = v_i$  :  $T' = uv_i v_{i+1} \dots v_k = v_0 v_1 \dots v_i v^*$  is a longer tour ~~##~~

Case ②

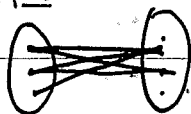
$u, v \notin T$ .  $G$  is connected so  $\exists$  a  $v_0$ - $u$ -path in  $G$ .

Consider the first edge in this path that leaves  $T$  but this gives us case ① again ~~##~~

All vertices have degree  $\geq 2$  so they are visited by  $T$   $\square$

1.8. Bipartite Graphs

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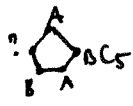
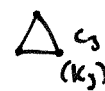


Bipartite -

$$V(G) = A \cup B \quad E(G) \subseteq \{ab : a \in A, b \in B\}$$

$$G = (A, B; E)$$

Examples



can't have bipartite



bipartite

(can't have edges in a set)

Theorem 1.15

A graph is bipartite iff it contains no odd cycles

Proof

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $G$  is bipartite with bipartition  $V = A \cup B$ . If  $C = v_1 \dots v_t$  is a cycle in  $G$  and wlog  $v_1 \in A$  then

$$v_3, v_5, \dots \in A$$

$$v_2, v_4, \dots \in B$$

Hence we must have  $t$  is even

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $G = (V, E)$  is connected (otherwise repeat this argument for each connected component)

For  $x, y \in V$  let  $d(x, y)$  = length of a shortest  $x$ - $y$  path

Fix a vertex  $w \in V$ .

Define  $A = \{v : d(v, w) \text{ is odd}\}$

$B = \{v : d(v, w) \text{ is even}\}$

Note  $V(G) = A \cup B$ . Need to check  $A$  and  $B$  do not contain any edges

Suppose there is an edge  $xy$  inside  $A$  (i.e.  $x, y \in A$ )

Let  $P_{wx}$  be a shortest  $w$ - $x$  path

Let  $P_{wy}$  be a shortest  $w$ - $y$  path

Let  $z$  be the last common vertex of  $P_{wx}$  and  $P_{wy}$

Then the path part of  $P_{wx}$  from  $w$  to  $z$  is a shortest  $w$ - $z$  path

" " "  $P_{wy}$  " " "  $w$ - $z$  path

Both have length  $d = d(w, z)$

Now suppose  $d(w, x) = 2i + 1, d(w, y) = 2j + 1$   $i, j$  integers.

Then the cycle that follows  $P_{wx}$  from  $z$  to  $x$ , then  $xy$ , then  $P_{wy}$  from  $y$  to  $z$  has length

$$\begin{aligned} \text{length} &= 2i + 1 - d + 1 + 2j + 1 - d \\ &= 2(i + j + 1 - d) + 1 \text{ is odd } \neq \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $G$  is bipartite  $\square$



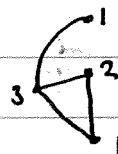
$w$ - $z$  must have same length.

A set  $A \subset V$  is independent iff it contains no edges

$$c: V(G) \rightarrow [k] \quad \forall v \in E \Rightarrow c(v) \neq c(w)$$

$k$ -colourable  $\equiv k$ -partite

2-colourable  $\equiv$  bipartite



$$\chi(G) = \min \{k : \exists k\text{-colouring of } G\}$$



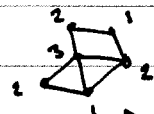
$$\chi(C_{2k}) = 2$$

$$\chi(C_{2k+1}) = 3$$

$H$  is a subgraph of  $G$  then  $\chi(H) \leq \chi(G)$

Theorem 1.16

If  $G$  is a graph then  $\chi(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$  ( $\Delta(G) = \max \{d(v) : v \in V(G)\}$ )



start here  
look at  
neighbours  
then colour  
with diff  
numbers

Proof

Let  $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ . Let  $k = \Delta(G) + 1$ .

Define a  $k$ -colouring  $c: V(G) \rightarrow [k]$  as follows

$c(v_1) = 1$ . If  $v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}$  have been coloured

Let  $C = \{c \in [k] : \exists j \in [i-1] \text{ s.t. } v_j \in N^+(v_i) \text{ and } c(v_j) = c\}$

Define  $c(v_i) = \min [k] \setminus C$ . This is well-defined since  $|C| \leq d(v_i) \leq \Delta(G) = k-1$ .

So  $[k] \setminus C \neq \emptyset$  "Greedy Algorithm"

1.10 Large girth + chromatic number

If  $G$  is a graph containing cycles, then the girth of  $G$  is the length of the shortest cycle.

Theorem 1.17 (Erdős)

For  $k, l \geq 3 \exists G$  a graph with  $\chi(G) \geq k = 10^6$

$$g(G) \geq l = 10^6$$

$$d(G) = \max \{|A| : A \subseteq V(G) \text{ is independent}\}$$

Lemma 1.18

$$\alpha(G) = \max \{|A|$$

For any graph  $G$ ,  $\chi(G) \geq n / \alpha(G)$   $n = |V(G)|$

Proof

If  $c: V(G) \rightarrow [k]$  is a  $k$ -colouring of  $G$

then each colour class  $c^{-1}(i) = \{v \in V(G) : c(v) = i\}$  is an independent set, so  $|c^{-1}(i)| \leq \alpha(G)$

But  $V(G) = c^{-1}(1) \cup c^{-1}(2) \cup \dots \cup c^{-1}(k)$

$$\text{so } \sum_{i=1}^k |c^{-1}(i)| = n$$

Hence  $\oplus \Rightarrow k \alpha(G) \geq n \Rightarrow k \geq n / \alpha(G)$

Thus  $\chi(G) \geq n / \alpha(G)$

□

colouring  $c$

notes  
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A die  $(\Omega, P_\omega)$   $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$   $P_\omega(i) = \frac{1}{6}$   $1 \leq i \leq 6$

$$X_1(y) = \begin{cases} 1, & y \in \{1, 3, 5\} \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases} \quad X_2(y) = \begin{cases} 1, & y \geq 4 \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = \sum_{z \in \Omega_X} z P(X=z)$$

$$\Omega_X = \{X(y) \mid y \in \Omega\}$$

Lemma 1.19 (Linearity of Expectation)

If  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are random variables then

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i]$$

Proof

Follows from def<sup>n</sup> of expectation  $\square$

Theorem 1.20

If  $G$  has  $e$  edges then  $G$  contains a bipartite subgraph with at least  $\lceil e/2 \rceil$  edges.  $\leftarrow \Gamma$   
(at most  $\lfloor e/2 \rfloor$  edges.)  $\leftarrow \Gamma$

Proof

Consider a random bipartition of  $V = A \cup B$

For each vertex  $v \in V$  flip an independent fair coin, if Heads then put  $v$  in  $A$   
if Tails then put  $v$  in  $B$

For an edge  $uv \in E$  let  $X_{uv} = \begin{cases} 1 & uv \text{ goes from } A \text{ to } B \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

Let  $X = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} X_{uv}$ , then  $E[X] = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} E[X_{uv}] = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} P(uv \text{ goes from } A \text{ to } B)$   
 $\uparrow$   
L. of  $E$

$$P(uv \text{ goes from } A \text{ to } B) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence } E[X] = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{e}{2}$$

Thus  $\exists$  a bipartition  $V = A \cup B$  with at least  $e/2$  edges between  $A$  and  $B$

Hence (since the number of edges is an integer) at least  $\lceil e/2 \rceil$  edges between  $A$  and  $B$   $\square$

**Definition** A path in a graph  $G$  is a subgraph isomorphic to  $P_t$  (the path of length  $t$ )  
 i.e. a sequence  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_t$  of distinct vertices with  $v_{i-1}, v_i$  an edge for  $1 \leq i \leq t$

**Definition**  $x$ - $y$  path: start at  $x \in V(G)$  end at  $y \in V(G)$

**Definition** A walk is a sequence of vertices in  $G$   $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_t$  (not necessarily distinct) with  $x_{i-1}, x_i \in E$  ( $1 \leq i \leq t$ )

**Definition** A walk with no repeated edges is called a tour.

**Lemma 1.1** There is an  $x$ - $y$  path in  $G$  iff there is a walk from  $x$  to  $y$  in  $G$

**Proof** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Trivial

( $\Leftarrow$ ) A shortest  $x$ - $y$  walk is an  $x$ - $y$  path.

**Lemma 1.2** Define  $\sim$  a relation on  $V(G)$  by  $x \sim y$  iff there is a walk from  $x$  to  $y$

Then  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation.

Check conditions of equivalence relation:

**Reflexive**:  $x \sim x$  Take walk from  $x$  with no edges

**Sym**:  $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$

Take an  $x$ - $y$  walk and reverse it

**Trans**:  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$

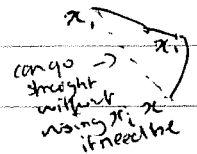
Take an  $x$ - $y$  walk and a  $y$ - $z$  walk and concatenate them  $\square$

So  $\sim$  partitions  $V(G) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots \cup V_k$ . We call each  $V_i$  a component.

**Definition** A graph  $G$  is connected iff it has a single component.

**Lemma 1.13** Let  $P = x_1, x_2, \dots, x_t$  be a shortest  $x_1$ - $x_t$  path in  $G$ . Then for any  $1 \leq i \leq t$ ,  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i$  and  $x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_t$  are shortest  $x_1$ - $x_i$  and  $x_i$ - $x_t$  paths respectively.

**Proof** If not could shorten the  $x_1$ - $x_t$ -path  $\square$



1.7 Euler Circuits

Start = end.

An Euler circuit is a closed tour that uses all vertices and edges of  $G$  with edges used exactly once.

**Theorem 1.4 (Euler)** A graph  $G$  has an Euler circuit iff  $G$  is connected and all vertex degrees are even.

Proof :  $(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose  $G$  has an Euler circuit.

The Euler circuit in  $G$  has a walk using all vertices hence  $G$  is connected.

Follow the circuit, counting the contribution to each vertex degree as we pass through it.

Except for the 1<sup>st</sup> vertex, we count 2 at each vertex. Since 1<sup>st</sup> vertex = final vertex, its degree is also even.

$(\Leftarrow)$  Suppose  $G$  is connected and all vertex degrees are even.

Let  $T = v_0 v_1 v_2 \dots v_k$  be a longest tour in  $G$ .

~~Claim~~ Claim  $T$  is a circuit i.e.  $v_0 = v_k$ .

If not  $v_0 \neq v_k$  then let  $j = \#\{1 \leq i \leq k-1 : v_i = v_k\}$

So  $T$  has used  $2j$  edges incident to  $v_k$

*credit = 2j*

Since  $d(v_k)$  is even, there is an unused edge say  $v_k w$  so can extend  $T$  ~~✗~~

We now claim  $T$  is an Euler circuit.

If not, there is an unused edge  $uw \in E(G)$

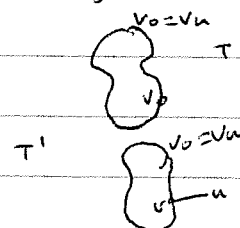
$T = v_0 v_1 \dots v_k$  (now  $v_k = v_0$ )

Suppose  $u$  or  $v$  lies in  $T$  say  $v = v_i$

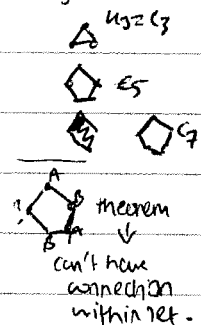
Define a new tour  $T' = u v_i v_{i+1} \dots v_k v_0 v_1 \dots v_i$

which is a longer tour ~~✗~~

Idea original tour

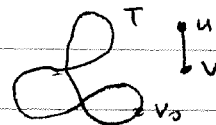


Aside:  
odd cycles

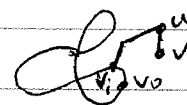


Final case is that neither  $u$  nor  $v$  lie on  $T$

Since  $G$  is connected, there is a  $v_0-u$  path, at some  $v_i$  this path leaves  $T$ .



Thus there is again an unused edge  $v_i w$  which we can deal with as in the previous case.  $\square$

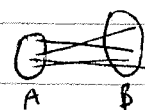


### 1.3 Bipartite graph

$G$  is bipartite iff  $V(G) = A \cup B$  and  $E(G) \subseteq \{ab : a \in A, b \in B\}$

We say  $A, B$  is a bipartition of  $G$

$G = (A, B; E)$  to emphasize a particular bipartition



**Theorem 1.15** A graph is bipartite iff it contains no odd cycles

Proof :  $(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose  $G$  is bipartite  $G = (A, B; E)$  and  $C = v_1 v_2 \dots v_k$  is a cycle <sup>next line</sup> [then  $v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots$  are all in one class, wlog  $A$ ,  $[v_2, v_4, v_6, \dots$  are all in one class  $B$

Then if  $k$  is odd,  $v_k$  and  $v_1$  are both in  $A$  ~~✗~~

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( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $G$  be a graph with no odd cycles.

Suppose wlog that  $G$  is connected (otherwise repeat for each component)

Let  $x, y \in V(G)$ . Define  $d(x, y) =$  length of a shortest  $x$ - $y$  path.

Fix  $w \in V$ , let  $A = \{v \in V : d(v, w) \text{ is odd}\}$

$B = \{v \in V : d(v, w) \text{ is even}\}$

So  $V = A \cup B$

Need to show that there are no edges inside  $A$  or inside  $B$

Suppose for a contradiction, there is an edge  $xy$  inside  $A$

Let  $P_{wx}$  be a shortest  $w$ - $x$  path

"  $P_{wy}$  " " "  $w$ - $y$  path

Let  $z$  be the last common vertex on  $P_{wx}$  and  $P_{wy}$

Let  $d(w, x) = 2i + 1$

Let  $d(w, y) = 2j + 1$

Following  $P_{wx}$  from  $z$  to  $x$  then  $x$  to  $y$  then  $P_{wy}$  back to  $z$  gives a cycle say  $C$

Note: Since  $P_{wx}$  and  $P_{wy}$  are both shortest paths, the path of each between  $w$  and  $z$  are both shortest  $w$ - $z$  paths of length  $d(w, z) =$

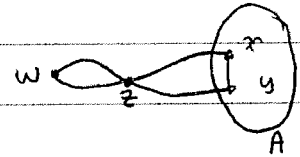
$C$  is a cycle of length  $= (i + 1 - d) + 1 + (j + 1 - d)$

$= 2(i + j + 1 - d) + 1$  is odd ~~is~~

$\therefore A$  contains no edges

Similarly  $B$  contains no edges.

$\therefore G$  is bipartite  $\square$



would have come at many times before including at w

### 1.9 Graph colouring

A set  $A \subseteq V(G)$  is independent if it contains no edges.

For any  $k \geq 1$ , a  $k$ -colouring of  $G$  is  $c: V(G) \rightarrow [k]$  s.t. if  $v, w \in E$  then  $c(v) \neq c(w)$

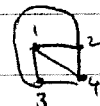
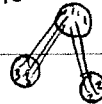
$G$  is  $k$ -colourable  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  a  $k$ -colouring of  $G$ .

$G$  is  $k$ -partite iff  $\exists$  a partition  $V(G) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots \cup V_k$  into independent sets.

i.e. 2-partite  $\equiv$  bipartite

3-partite graph

$k$ -partite  $\equiv k$ -colourable



chromatic number

$\chi(G) = \min \{k : G \text{ is } k\text{-colourable}\}$

$\chi(K_n) = n, \chi(C_{2k}) = 2, \chi(C_{2k+1}) = 3$

$H \subseteq G$  then  $\chi(H) \leq \chi(G)$

$\Delta(G) = \max_{v \in V(G)} d(v), \delta(G) = \min_{v \in V(G)} d(v)$



Theorem 11.6 If  $G$  is a graph, then  $\chi(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$

Proof  
 $k$  - number of  
colours

Define  $k = \Delta(G) + 1$

Define a  $k$ -colouring  $c: V(G) \rightarrow [k]$  as follows

let  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

let  $c(v_1) = 1$

Now suppose we have coloured vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{i-1}$

$\Gamma$ -neighbourhood  
of  $v_i$

let  $C = \{j \in [k] : \exists v \in \Gamma(v_i) \text{ s.t. } c(v) = j\}$

$d(v_i)$   $|C| \leq d(v_i) \leq \Delta(G) \leq k-1$

$\therefore [k] \setminus C \neq \emptyset$

So set  $c(v_i) = \min [k] \setminus C$   $\square$

"Greedy colouring algorithm"

Definition

Girth of  $G$  = length of a shortest cycle in  $G$

Theorem  
(Erdős 1959)

$\forall k, l \geq 3 \exists G$  a graph with  $\chi(G) \geq k$  and  $g(G) \geq l$

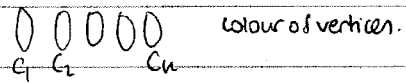
$g(G)$  = length of a smallest cycle in  $G$   
 $\chi(G) = \min \{k : \exists k\text{-colouring of } G\}$

Theorem 1.17 (Erdős)  
 $\forall k, l \geq 3 \exists \text{ graph } G \text{ st } \chi(G) \geq k \text{ and } g(G) \geq l$

$\alpha(G) = \max \{|A| : A \subseteq V(G) \text{ is an independent set}\}$

Lemma 1.18  $\chi(G) \geq \frac{|V(G)|}{\alpha(G)}$

Proof Take a  $k$ -colouring of  $G$



$C_i = \{v : c(v) = i\}$

$V(G) = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots \cup C_k$

coloured s.t no adjoining vertices have same colour.

Each  $C_i$  is an independent set so  $|C_i| \leq \alpha(G)$

$|V(G)| = \sum_{i=1}^k |C_i| \leq k\alpha(G)$

Hence  $|V(G)| \leq \chi(G)\alpha(G) \quad \square$

Random variable  $X_i, \Omega_{X_i} = \{\chi(y) : y \in \Omega\}$

$X_i(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & y=1,3,5 \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

$E[X] = \sum_{z \in \Omega_{X_i}} z P(X=z)$

Lemma 1.19  $X_1, \dots, X_n \quad E[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i]$

Theorem 1.20  $G$  is a graph with  $e$  edges, then  $G$  has a bipartite subgraph with  $\geq \lceil \frac{e}{2} \rceil$  edges

Proof Assign each  $v \in V$  to  $A$  or  $B$

For  $u, v \in E$  let  $X_{uv} = \begin{cases} 1, & uv \text{ is good} \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

Say an edge is good if it joins vertices from different classes

Consider the bipartite subgraph of  $G$  given by the bipartition  $A \cup B$

$X = \# \text{ edges in the } H$

$X = \sum_{\substack{u,v \\ \in E(G)}} X_{uv}$

$E[X] \stackrel{1.19}{=} \sum_{u,v \in E} E[X_{uv}] = \sum_{u,v \in E(G)} P(uv \text{ is good})$

For any  $w \in E(G)$ ,  $P(w \text{ is good}) = \frac{1}{2}$

$$E[X] = \frac{e}{2}$$

LHS of ineq is integer.

$\therefore \exists$  bipartite subgraph with  $\geq \lfloor \frac{e}{2} \rfloor$  edges.  $\square$

Lemma 1.21  
(Markov)

$X$  non-negative random variable and  $\lambda > 0$  then  $P(X \geq \lambda) \leq \frac{E[X]}{\lambda}$

Proof

Suppose  $X$  takes value in  $O_X$

$$E[X] = \sum_{y \in O_X} y P(X=y) \geq \sum_{y \geq \lambda} \lambda P(X=y) = \lambda \sum_{y \geq \lambda} P(X=y) = \lambda P(X \geq \lambda) \quad \square$$

$$\Omega = \{G : V(G) = [n], E(G) \subseteq \binom{[n]}{2}\}$$

$\mathcal{G}(n, p)$ : Start with  $E_n$ . For each  $i, j \in \binom{[n]}{2}$

Flip an independent coin, with probability  $p$  it is heads in which case insert the edge  $ij$

Want  $G$  with  $\chi(G) \geq k$ ,  $g(G) \geq l$

Call a cycle short if it has length  $\leq l$

Let  $H$  be a random graph for  $\mathcal{G}(n, p)$

A: " $H$  has  $\geq \frac{n}{2}$  short cycles"

B: " $H$  has  $\alpha(H) > \frac{n}{2k}$ "

Claim: If  $H \in \mathcal{G}(n, p)$  then

$$P(A \text{ holds}) \leq \frac{1}{3}, P(B \text{ holds}) \leq \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(\text{neither A nor B holds}) \geq \frac{1}{3}$$

Assume this claim is true

Hence  $\exists$  a graph  $H$  for which neither A nor B hold.

Delete a single vertex from each short cycle in  $H$ .

This gives a graph  $G$  with no short cycles.  $\therefore g(G) > l$

Also  $\alpha(H) \leq \frac{n}{2k}$  (because B doesn't hold)

$$\text{so } \alpha(G) \leq \alpha(H) \leq \frac{n}{2k}$$

So  $G$  has  $|V(G)| \geq \frac{n}{2}$ ,  $g(G) > l$ ,  $\alpha(G) \leq \frac{n}{2k} \leq \frac{|V(G)|}{k}$  Lemma 1.18  $\Rightarrow \chi(G) \geq k \quad \square$

haven't proved claim yet.

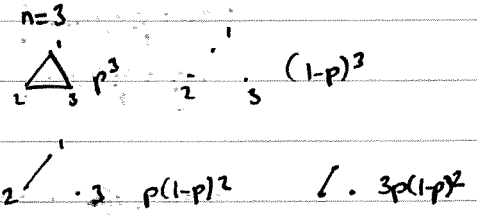
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Claim: If  $H \in G(n, p)$  ( $n, p$  given below) and

$A = "H \text{ has } \geq \frac{n}{2} \text{ short cycles}"$  short  $\equiv \leq 1$

$B = " \alpha(H) \geq \frac{n}{2k}"$

then  $P(A) \leq \frac{1}{3}$  and  $P(B) \leq \frac{1}{3}$



incl set  
length set with  
no vertices.

$G(n, p)$   
random  
graph  
model.

$n \geq ?$

$$p = \frac{1}{n^{1-\frac{1}{2k}}}$$

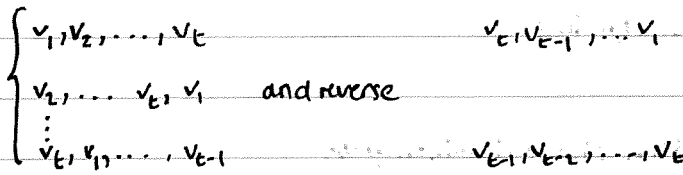
lemma 1.22 Let  $H \in G(n, p)$  and let  $X_t = \# t\text{-cycles in } H$  then

$$E[X_t] = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-t+1) p^t}{2t}$$

Proof For  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_t$  fixed



Probability they form a  $t$ -cycle in this order is  $p^t$



$\therefore 2t$  different  $t$ -tuples give rise to the same  $t$ -cycle

$$E[X_t] = \sum_{\text{potential } t\text{-cycle } T} P(T \text{ occurs}) = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-t+1) p^t}{2t} \quad \square$$

Now let  $H \in G(n, p)$ , then

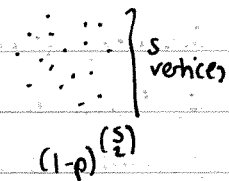
$$X = \# \text{ short cycles in } H = \sum_{t=3}^1 X_t$$

$$E[X_t] = \sum_{t=3}^1 E[X_t] = \sum_{t=3}^1 \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-t+1) p^t}{2t} \leq \sum_{t=3}^1 (np)^{\frac{t}{2}}$$

$$E[X] \leq \sum_{t=3}^1 n^{t/2} \leq n^{1/2} \leq \frac{n}{6} \text{ if } n \geq 36 \quad \leftarrow \text{calculated question mark.}$$

MARKOV:  $P(X \geq 3E[X]) \leq \frac{1}{3}$

so  $P(X \geq \frac{n}{2}) \leq \frac{1}{3}$



If  $W \subseteq V(H)$   $|W| = s$

then  $P(W \text{ is independent}) = (1-p)^{\binom{s}{2}}$

" $\alpha(H) \geq s$ " = "H has an independent set of size s"

$\rightarrow$  using  $P(C \cup D) \leq P(C) + P(D)$

$$P(\alpha(H) \geq s) = P(\exists W \subseteq V(H), |W|=s, W \text{ indep}) \leq \sum_{\substack{W \subseteq V(H) \\ |W|=s}} P(W \text{ is indep})$$

not set bigger than s, otherwise you can get a subset of s

$\binom{n}{s} \leq n^s$

using  $1-p \leq e^{-p}$

So  $P(X \geq s) \leq \binom{n}{s} (1-p)^{\binom{s}{2}} \leq \left( n e^{-p \frac{s-1}{2}} \right)^s = (n e^{-2 \log n})^s = \frac{1}{n^s} < \frac{1}{3}$

let  $s = \frac{4}{p} \log n + 1$   
 $\frac{s-1}{2} = \frac{2}{p} \log n$

want  $s \leq \frac{n}{2k}$

$\frac{4n \log n + 1}{n} \leq \frac{n}{2k}$  true for  $n$  large since LHS grows slower than RHS

$n^{-\frac{1}{2k} \log n} \leq 1$

□

2. Extremal Graph Theory

**Definition** A Hamilton cycle in a graph  $G$  is a cycle containing all the vertices of  $G$  (exactly once)

$\delta(G) = \min_{v \in V} d(v)$

**Definition**  $u, v \in V(G)$  are adjacent iff  $uv$  is an edge in  $G$

**Theorem 2.1** If  $G$  has order  $n \geq 3$  and  $\delta(G) \geq \frac{n}{2}$  then  $G$  has a Hamilton cycle (Dirac)

**Theorem 2.2** If  $G$  has order  $n \geq 3$  and  $d(u) + d(v) \geq n$  for every pair of non-adjacent vertices. (Ore)

**Proof (2.2)** By contradiction

Let  $G$  have order  $n \geq 3$  satisfy  $d(u) + d(v) \geq n \forall u, v$  non-adjacent

But suppose  $G$  doesn't contain a Hamilton cycle.

If there is a pair  $uv \notin E(G)$  which we can add to  $E(G)$  without creating a H.C., then add it

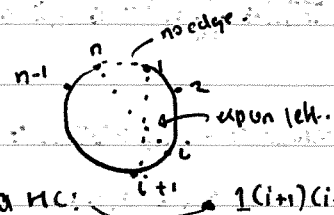
Repeat until no more pairs can be added.

Call the final graph  $G'$

$[n] = 1, \dots, n$

$G'$  let  $V(G') = [n]$

Then wlog  $G'$  contains a path  $123 \dots n$



$1(i+1)$   
from  $1$  to  $i+1$

If  $1(i+1)$  and  $in$  are both edges in  $G'$  then we have a H.C:  $1(i+1)(i+2) \dots n(i-1) \dots 21$

$G'$  certainly still satisfies the condition that  $d(u) + d(v) \geq n \forall u, v \in V(G')$  non-adjacent.

(consider  $d(1) + d(n)$ )

For  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n-2$

Have at most one edge from  $1(i+1)$  and  $in$

$13, 2n$   
 $14, 3n$   
 $\vdots$   
 $1(n-1), (n-2)n$   
 $12, (n-1)n$

Have at most  $n-3$  edges from these and 2 other edges:  $12, (n-1)n$   
 So  $d(i) + d(n) \leq n-3 + 2 = n-1$

$\#$   
 $\square$

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$$\sum_{b=0}^k \binom{a}{b} \binom{n-a}{k-b} = \binom{n}{k}$$

# k-sets from [n]

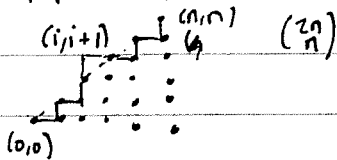
$123 \dots a+1 \dots n$   
 $\binom{a}{0} \binom{n-a}{k} = \#$  k-sets from [n] with 0 underlined elements  
 $\binom{a}{1} \binom{n-a}{k-1} = \dots$   
 $\binom{a}{b} \binom{n-a}{k-b} = \dots$

2 (a) # paths from (0,0) to (m,n)  $\binom{m+n}{n} = \#$  subsets of [m+n] of size n

then m+n steps needed to be taken

base 1 steps  $1 \sim 3$   
 $\uparrow \rightarrow \uparrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \uparrow \dots \uparrow^{m+n}$

(b) # paths (0,0) to (n,n) do not cross  $x=y$



Reflect the path from (i,j+1) to (n,n)

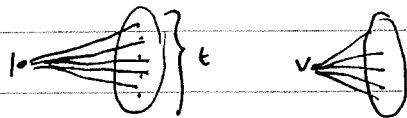
$\rightarrow$  gives a path to (n-1, n+1)

# bad paths = # paths (0,0) to (n-1, n+1) =  $\binom{2n}{n+1}$

Ans =  $\binom{2n}{n} - \binom{2n}{n+1} = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$  "nth catalan number"

4  $|V(G)| = n$   $|E(G)| = e$

# copies of  $K_{1,t}$   $\geq \left(\frac{2e/n}{t}\right) n$   $\frac{2e}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum d(v)$



# copies of  $K_{1,t}$  with v on the left =  $\binom{d(v)}{t}$

$$\# \text{ total copies of } K_{1,t} = \sum_{v \in V} \binom{d(v)}{t} \stackrel{\geq}{\neq} n \binom{\frac{1}{n} \sum d(v)}{t}$$

↑  
Jensen  
for Binomial  
coefficient

5  $|V(G)| = n \geq 2$

Assume false then degree sequence must be

$$\underbrace{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1}_{\neq}$$

6  $G$  connected all degree even except two say  $u, v$  odd degree  $\Rightarrow \exists$  walk using all edges exactly once

consider  $uv$ ,  $\exists uv \notin E(G)$  add it

If  $uv \in E(G)$



□

Forbidden Subgraphs

Let  $H$  be a graph and  $n \geq 1$

$$ex(n, H) = \max \{ |E(G)| : G \text{ is } H\text{-free}, |V(G)| = n \}$$

$G$  is  $H$ -free  $\Leftrightarrow G$  has no subgraph isomorphic to  $H$

e.g.  $G$  is  $K_3$ -free  $\Leftrightarrow \nexists u, v, w \in V(G)$  s.t.  $uv, uw, vw \in E(G)$   
distinct

$H = K_3 \quad \chi(H) = 3$

$G$  bipartite ( $\chi = 2$ )

$\Downarrow$   
 $G$  is  $K_3$ -free

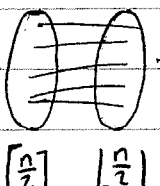
Lemma 2.3 If  $G$  and  $H$  are graphs and  $\chi(G) < \chi(H)$  then  $G$  is  $H$ -free

Proof If  $G$  contains a copy of  $H$  then  $\chi(G) \geq \chi(H)$  ~~✗~~

Theorem 2.4 If  $n \geq 2$  then  $ex(n, K_3) = \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$

(Mantel)

Proof Example: take  $G = K_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$

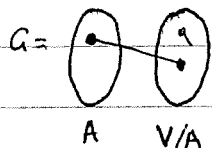


$|E(G)| = \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$ . So  $ex(n, K_3) \geq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$ .  $G$  is  $K_3$ -free.

Now show  $ex(n, K_3) \leq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$

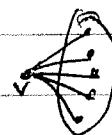
Let  $G$  have  $n$  vertices, be  $K_3$ -free with  $e$  edges

Let  $A \subseteq V(G)$  be a largest independent set



If  $v \in V(G)$  then  $\Gamma(v)$  is an independent set

So if  $|A| = a$  then  $d(v) \leq a$



$$e \leq \sum_{v \in V-A} d(v) \leq (n-a)a \leq \max_{0 \leq b \leq n} (n-b)b = \frac{n^2}{4}$$

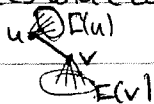
because every edge has at least one vertex in  $V-A$

so  $e \leq \frac{n^2}{4} \therefore e \leq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$

2nd proof:  $K_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$   $K_3$ -free  $\Rightarrow ex(n, K_3) \geq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$

Let  $G$   $K_3$ -free,  $n$  vertices and  $e$  edges

Let  $uv \in E(G)$



then  $G$  is  $K_3$ -free

$\Gamma(u) \cap \Gamma(v) = \emptyset$

otherwise we get triangle if overlap.



So  $d(u) + d(v) \leq n - 2 + 2 = n$

$\sum_{u,v \in E(G)} (d(u) + d(v)) \leq e n$

Fix a vertex  $x \in V(G)$ . How many times does " $d(x)$ " occur in the sum?

$\sum_{x \in V(G)} d(x)^2 \leq e n$

$\sum_{x \in V(G)} d(x) = 2e$

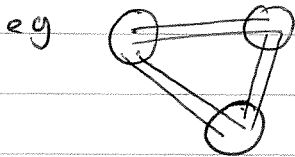
(Cauchy-Schwarz:  $\frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{x \in V} d(x) \right)^2 \leq \sum_{x \in V} d(x)^2 \leq e n$ )

$\frac{4e^2}{n} \leq e n \Rightarrow e \leq \frac{n^2}{4}$

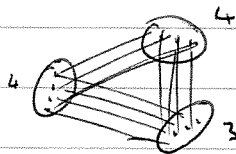
$H: ex(n, H) = ? \quad H = K_{r+1}$

Definition

A graph  $G$  is  $r$ -partite iff  $V(G) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots \cup V_r$ , each  $V_i$  is independent set



$H = K_4, n = 11$

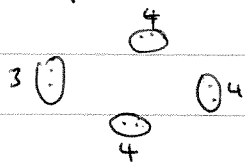


Definition

Turán graph:  $T_r(n)$  is the complete  $r$ -partite graph with  $n$  vertices and vertex classes as equal as possible in size.

$T_4(15)$

$T_4(15)$



$(3 \times 4) \times 3 + (4 \times 4) \times 3$

$= (9 \times 4) + (16 \times 3)$

$= 84 = t_4(15)$

Theorem (Turán)

$ex(n, K_{r+1}) = |E(T_r(n))| = t_r(n)$

Lemma 2.5

Amongst all  $r$ -partite graphs of order  $n$

$T_r(n)$  has the most edges

Moreover  $t_r(n) = t_r(n-r) + (r-1)(n-1) + \binom{n}{2}$

Proof

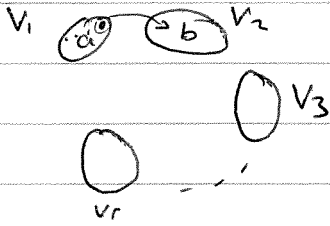
If  $G$  is  $r$ -partite order  $n$  with  $|E(G)|$  maximal then  $G$  is complete  $r$ -partite

If  $G \neq T_r(n)$  then  $\exists v_1, v_2$  vertex classes st  $|v_1| = a, |v_2| = b \quad a \geq b + 2$

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$a \geq b + 2$



Remove a vertex from  $V_1$  and insert it into  $V_2$

Keep  $G$  complete  $r$ -partite

Change in  $|E(G)| = -b + (a-1)$

$\geq 1$  ~~✗~~

can connect  
to different  
vertices since  
it's moved  
set.

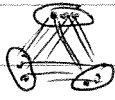


Lemma 2.5 Among all  $r$ -partite graphs on  $n$  vertices,  $T_r(n)$  has the most edges, moreover  $(n \geq r)$

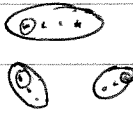
(b)  $|E(T_r(n))| = t_r(n) = t_r(n-r) + (r-1)(n-r) + \binom{n}{2}$

Proof (b) Take  $G = T_r(n)$

eg  $T_3(7)$



$T_3(10)$



like removing a clique from 3-partite graph

$G$  contains a copy of  $T_r(n-r)$  given by removing a vertex from each class.

Colour one vertex in each vertex class of  $T_r(n)$  red colour the rest black. Count edges according to colour of end vertices:-

# edges red-red =  $\binom{n}{2}$

# edges black-black =  $t_r(n-r)$

# edges red-black =  $(n-r)(r-1)$  (since each black vertex is joined to every red vertex except the one in the same class)

□

$T_r(n)$  is  $K_{r+1}$ -free.  $\chi(T_r(n)) = r \leq \chi(K_{r+1})$

Theorem 2.6 (Turán) If  $2 \leq r \leq n$  and  $G$  is  $K_{r+1}$ -free with  $ex(n, K_{r+1})$  edges and  $n$  vertices then  $G$  is  $T_r(n)$

Proof By induction on  $n$

$n \leq r$  then  $ex(n, K_{r+1}) = \binom{n}{2}$  and  $T_r(n) = K_n$

eg taking 4 edges avoids  $K_5$  so can take all edges.

So suppose  $n \geq r+1$

Let  $G$  have  $n$  vertices and  $ex(n, K_{r+1})$  edges and be  $K_{r+1}$ -free

if we had many edges as possible then if we don't have a  $K_4$  we would definitely find  $K_3$

By maximality of  $|E(G)|$ ,  $G$  contains a copy of  $K_r$  call this  $K$

$K = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$ . Consider  $G-K$

$|V(G-K)| = n-r$ ,  $G-K$  is  $K_{r+1}$ -free

Inductive hypothesis  $\Rightarrow |E(G-K)| \leq t_r(n-r)$

\* Also if  $v \in V(G-K)$  is joined to at most  $(r-1)$  vertices in  $K$



can't join to all as we would get a  $K_4$  i.e.  $K_4$  (copy of)

(otherwise we have a  $K_{r+1}$ )

fix one vertex in  $V$

from lemma (b) above.

$|E(G)| \leq \binom{n}{2} + t_r(n-r) + (n-r)(r-1) = t_r(n)$

# edges in  $K$    # edges in  $G-K$    # edges to  $G-K$

equality

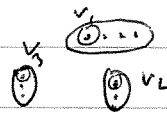
$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{know } t_r(n) \leq ex(n, K_{r+1}) = |E(G)| \leq t_r(n) \end{array} \right.$

Since  $|E(G)| = t_r(n)$

So every  $v \in V(G-K)$  is joined to exactly  $r-1$  vertices in  $K$ . (running statement)

Need to show  $G$  is  $r$ -partite.

$$V_i = \{v \in V(G) : v, v_i \notin E(G)\}$$



$v_i$ : different colored vertex

Since each  $v \in V(G-K)$  is joined to  $r-1$  vertices in  $K = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$  for each  $v \in V(G-K)$  there is a unique  $i$  st  $v, v_i \in E(G-K)$

$\therefore V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots \cup V_r = V(G)$  is a partition

Claim: each class  $V_i$  is independent

Proof: if  $u, v \in V_i, uv \in E(G)$

then  $u, v$  are both adjacent to every vertex in  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_r\}$

omitted

So  $\{u, v, v_1, v_2, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_r\}$  forms a copy of  $K_{r+1}$  ~~XXXX~~

□

Hence  $G$  is  $r$ -partite, so by Lemma 2.5  $G$  is  $T_r(n)$  □

Theorem 2.7 If  $G$  is a graph of order  $n$  and vertex degree  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$

$$\text{then } \alpha(G) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{d_i+1}$$

Proof  $V(G) = [n]$

Let  $S_n =$  permutations of  $[n]$

Let  $\pi \in S_n$  be chosen uniformly at random

$$A_i = \{\pi(j) > \pi(i) \forall j \in [i]\}$$

i.e.  $A_i$  holds iff vertex  $i$  comes before all of its neighbours in the ordering of  $[n]$  given by  $\pi$ .

$$\Pr[A_i] = \frac{1}{d_i+1}$$

since in a random permutation the chance that

$$\pi(i) < \pi(j) \forall j \in [i], \text{ is simply } \frac{1}{d_i+1}$$

$U = \{i : A_i \text{ holds}\}$  is an independent set

Since if  $x, y \in U, xy \in E(G)$  then  $A_x \Rightarrow \pi(x) < \pi(y)$   
 $A_y \Rightarrow \pi(y) < \pi(x)$  ~~XXXX~~

$$\text{So } \mathbb{E}[|U|] = \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{d_i+1}$$

$\therefore \exists$  an independent set of size  $\geq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{d_i+1}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(G) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{d_i+1}$$

□

$$\begin{aligned} \text{extra step: } U &= \{i \in [n] : A_i \text{ holds}\} \quad X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & A_i \text{ holds} \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases} \\ |U| &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[|U|] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i] \end{aligned}$$

$[i] \cup \{i\}$   
 $d_i+1$  (sized set)  
 considering if  $i$   
 comes before  
 its neighbours.

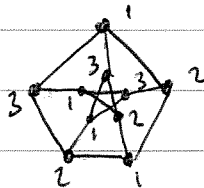
Misplaced vertices which  
 come before its  
 neighbours

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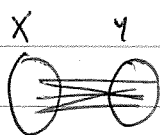
7)



$\Rightarrow \chi(G) \leq 3$

$C_5 \subset G \Rightarrow \chi(G) \geq \chi(C_5) = 3$

8)



$\sum_{v \in X} d(v) = |E| = \sum_{v \in Y} d(v)$

$x|X| = y|Y|$

9)

$\chi(G) = k \Rightarrow |E(G)| \geq \binom{k}{2}$

Take a k-colouring

Let  $V_i = \{v : d(v) = i\}$

If there is no edge from  $V_i$  to  $V_j$  for some  $i \neq j$   $i, j \in [k]$

then can colour all vertices in  $V_j$  with colour  $i$

$\Rightarrow \chi(G) \leq k-1$



All such edges are distinct  $\therefore \geq \binom{k}{2}$  such edges.

10)

$G$  has  $e$  edges  $\Rightarrow \exists$   $k$ -partite subgraph with  $\lfloor \frac{(k-1)e}{k} \rfloor$  edges.

Proof For  $v \in G$  assign  $v$  uniformly to  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k$

independently uniformly and etc randomly

Call an edge  $e \in E(G)$  "good" if it goes between two classes, "bad" otherwise

Fix  $uv \in E(G)$

$Pr(uv \text{ is bad}) = \frac{1}{k}$

$E[\# \text{ bad edges}] = \sum_{uv \in E} Pr(uv \text{ is bad}) = \frac{e}{k}$

$E[\# \text{ good edges}] = \frac{e(k-1)}{k}$

$\therefore \exists$  a  $k$ -partition with  $\geq \lfloor \frac{e(k-1)}{k} \rfloor$  good edges  $\square$

$n \geq 3$

ii)  $\delta(G) \geq \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow G$  has Hamiltonian cycle



$n = 2k+1$

$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1$   $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$

$a = k$   $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$

$k-1$

$k+1$

$n = 2k$

(need to alternate when going from vertex to vertex (set to set) to have Hamiltonian cycle the set sizes have to be equal.)



1)

$ex(n, K_{r+1}) = t_r(n) \leftarrow \# \text{ edges in } T_r(n)$

Then given  $H$ , what is  $ex(n, H)$ ?

$ex(n, H) = \max \{ |E(G)| : G \text{ is } H\text{-free}, |V(G)| = n \}$

$ex(n, C_5)$



odd cycle has  $\chi, 3$

to get graph without  $C_5$ , take bipartite graph  
no copy of  $C_5$

$K_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}$   
has  $\lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$  edges.

$ex(n, C_5) \geq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$

IF  $H$  has  $\chi(H) = 3$  then  $ex(n, H) \geq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor = t_2(n)$

"  $\chi(H) = r$  "  $\geq t_{r-1}(n)$

For a graph  $H$ , Turán density of  $H$  is

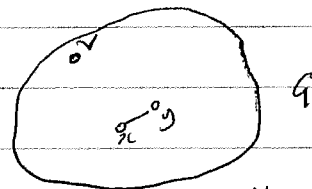
$\pi(H) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{ex(n, H)}{\binom{n}{2}}$

$0 \leq \frac{ex(n, H)}{\binom{n}{2}} \leq 1$

Lemma 2.8 (a) For a graph  $\pi(H)$  is well defined

(b)  $\pi(K_{r+1}) = 1 - \frac{1}{r}$

Proof a)  $\left\{ \frac{ex(n, H)}{\binom{n}{2}} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded



Let  $G$  be  $H$ -free with  $n$  vertices and  $ex(n, H)$  - max edges without  $H$

4b:  
don't count  $x, y$   
two times on  
 $G-x$  would not count  $x$   
 $G-y$  " " " "  $y$

$(n-2)ex(n, H) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} |E(G-v)| \leq \sum_{v \in V(G)} ex(n-1, H) = n ex(n-1, H)$

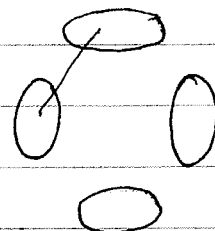
divide through.

$\frac{ex(n, H)}{\binom{n}{2}} = \frac{ex(n, H)}{n \binom{n-1}{2}} \leq \frac{ex(n-1, H)}{\binom{n-1}{2}} = \frac{ex(n-1, H)}{\binom{n-1}{2}}$

$\Rightarrow$  sequence is monotone decreasing  $\therefore$  converges

b)  $ex(n, K_{r+1}) = t_r(n)$

$\frac{\binom{n-r}{r} \binom{n}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}} \leq \frac{t_r(n)}{\binom{n}{2}} \leq \frac{\binom{n+r}{r} \binom{n}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}}$



$T_r(n)$   
 $r$  classes.



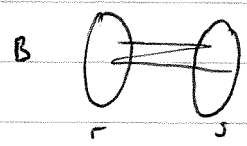
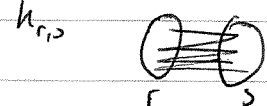
$$\frac{\binom{r-1}{r} \binom{n-r}{n(n-1)} \leq \frac{r(n)}{\binom{n}{2}} \leq \frac{(r-1)}{r} \frac{(n+r)^2}{n(n-1)}$$

$\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$   
 $1 - \frac{1}{r}$                        $1 - \frac{1}{r}$

so  $\pi(K_{r+1}) = 1 - \frac{1}{r}$

Theorem 2.11 If  $\pi(H) = r$  then  $\pi(H) = 1 - \frac{1}{r+1}$   
 (next week lecture)

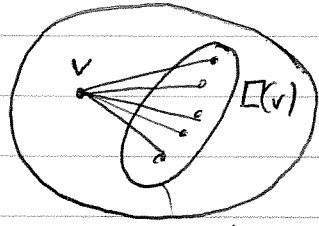
Theorem 2.9 If  $r, s \geq 2$ ,  $n$  is large  
 $ex(n, K_{r,s}) \leq \frac{1}{2}(r-1) \frac{1}{s} n^{2-\frac{1}{s}} + \frac{1}{2}(s-1)n$



$0 \leq \pi(B) \leq \pi(K_{r,s}) = 0$

Proof let  $G$  be  $K_{r,s}$ -free with  $n$  vertices  $ex(n, K_{r,s})$  edges  
 say a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  covers an  $s$ -set  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s\}$   
 it  $v_i \in E(G)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq s$

$\sum_{v \in V(G)} \binom{d(v)}{s}$ , counts pairs  $(v, S)$  where  $v$  covers  $S$



Since no  $s$ -set is covered by more than  $r-1$  vertices  
 (since  $G$  is  $K_{r,s}$ -free)

$$n \binom{\sum \frac{d(v)}{n}}{s} \leq \sum_{v \in V(G)} \binom{d(v)}{s} \leq (r-1) \binom{n}{s}$$

density & concavity of binomial coefficients

$$n \binom{2e/n}{s} \leq (r-1) \binom{n}{s}$$

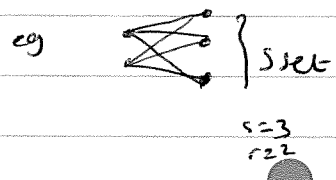
$e \leq \frac{n^2}{2}$  so we can say  $e = n^{2-\alpha}$

$$\frac{n (2n^{1-\alpha-s+1})^s}{s!} \leq n \binom{2n^{1-\alpha}}{s} \leq (r-1) \binom{n}{s} \leq (r-1) \frac{n^s}{s!}$$

$(2n^{1-\alpha-s+1})^s \leq (r-1)^s n^{1-\frac{1}{s}}$

$2n^{1-\alpha} \leq (r-1)^{\frac{1}{s}} n^{1-\frac{1}{s}} + s-1$

$e = n^{2-\alpha} \leq \frac{1}{2} (r-1)^{\frac{1}{s}} n^{2-\frac{1}{s}} + \frac{1}{2} (s-1)n$



②

Corollary 2.10  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $|X|=n$ , then at most

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$$\frac{n^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{n}{2} \text{ pairs of points are at unit distance}$$

Proof Take  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $|X|=n$

Form a graph  $G$  with  $V(G) = X$

$E(G) = \text{pairs from } X \text{ at unit distance.}$

$G$  is  $H$ -free  $\Rightarrow E(G) \leq ex(n, H)$

take  $H = K_{2,3}$

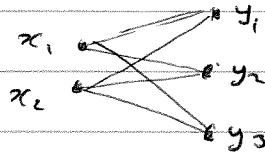
i.e. if  $K_{2,3} \subseteq G$

we have circles centre  $x_1, x_2$  that meet in 3 points ~~⊗~~

$$\therefore |E(G)| \leq ex(n, K_{3,2})$$

$r=3, s=2$  in theorem  $\Rightarrow$  result

□



all distances are 1

circles of radius 1 at  $x_1, x_2$  should have  $y_1, y_2, y_3$

but circles can't meet at 3 points

should be  $K_{3,2}$  but doesn't make diff



①

Theorem 2.11 (Erdős-Stone) If  $\chi(H) = r \geq 2$  then  $\pi(H) = 1 - \frac{1}{r-1}$

we know

$$\pi(H) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{ex(n, H)}{\binom{n}{2}}$$

≠

$$\pi(H) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{r-1} \quad \text{Because } \chi(H) = r \Rightarrow H \notin T_{r-1}(n)$$

$$\therefore ex(n, H) \geq t_{r-1}(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi(H) \geq \pi(K_r) = 1 - \frac{1}{r-1}$$

Need to show  $\pi(H) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{r-1}$

Note if  $\chi(H) = r$ , take an  $r$ -colouring of  $H$  and suppose no colour is used more than  $k$  times, then

$$H \subseteq K_r(k) = T_r(kt)$$

$K_r(k)$  = the complete  $r$ -partite graph with vertex classes all of size  $k$ .

So it is enough to show  $\pi(K_r(k)) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{r-1}$

need to prove this lemma before we finish proof.

Lemma 2.12: let  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ ,  $n \geq \frac{2}{\epsilon} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$

If  $G$  is a graph of order  $n$  with at least  $(c + \epsilon) \binom{n}{2}$ , then  $G$  has a subgraph  $G'$  of order  $n' \geq \epsilon \frac{1}{2} n$  with  $\delta(G') \geq cn'$

Proof.

We find  $G'$  as follows. let  $G_n = G$

If  $\delta(G_n) \geq cn$  then set  $G' = G$ , otherwise delete a vertex of min degree to give  $G_{n-1}$

If  $\delta(G_{n-1}) \geq c(n-1)$  then set  $G' = G_{n-1}$ , otherwise repeat: gives sequence of graphs  $G_n, G_{n-1}, \dots, G_k$ , where  $G_k$  has  $k$  vertices and  $G_{k-1}$  is obtained from  $G_k$  by deleting a vertex of min degree

We claim process terminates at some  $k \geq \epsilon \frac{1}{2} n$

Let's set  $s = \lceil \epsilon \frac{1}{2} n \rceil$

$$\text{Note: } \sum_{k=s+1}^n k = \binom{n+1}{2} - \binom{s+1}{2}$$

~~$|E(G_s)| \geq |E(G)| - c(n + (n-1) + \dots + (s+1))$~~

$$|E(G_s)| \geq |E(G)| - c(n + (n-1) + \dots + (s+1))$$

$$|E(G_s)| \geq (c + \epsilon) \binom{n}{2} - c \binom{n+1}{2} + c \binom{s+1}{2}$$

$$> \epsilon \binom{n}{2} - cn + c \binom{s+1}{2}$$

$r \geq 2$  for these theorems to make sense.

$$s = \lceil \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} n \rceil \quad \binom{s+1}{2} > \frac{s^2}{2} \geq \frac{\epsilon n^2}{2} > \binom{1+\frac{1}{c}}{2} n \quad \text{by stating assumption}$$

$$|E(G_s)| > \epsilon \binom{n}{2} + n$$

$$\text{But } |E(G_s)| \leq \binom{s}{2} \leq \frac{(\sqrt{\epsilon} n)(\sqrt{\epsilon} n + 1)}{2} = \frac{\epsilon n^2}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon} n}{2} \leq \epsilon \binom{n}{2} + \frac{n}{2} (\sqrt{\epsilon} - \epsilon) < \epsilon \binom{n}{2} + n$$

Theorem 2.13 (Erdős-Stone mindeg version)

let  $r \geq 2, t \geq 1, 0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{r}$   
 There is no  $(r, t, \epsilon)$  s.t if  $G$  has  $n \geq n_0$  vertices and  $\delta(G) \geq (1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon)n$  then  $G$  contains  $K_r(t)$

Proof of Thm 2.11

know  $\alpha(H) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{r-1}$   
 Need to show  $\alpha(K_r(t)) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{r-1}$  (\*)

$$\alpha(K_r(t)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{ex(n, K_r(t))}{\binom{n}{2}}$$

If (\*) fails to hold then  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  s.t

$$\alpha(K_r(t)) > 1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + 2\epsilon$$

Since  $\left\{ \frac{ex(n, K_r(t))}{\binom{n}{2}} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is nondecreasing

$$\text{we have } ex(n, K_r(t)) > \left(1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + 2\epsilon\right) \binom{n}{2} \quad \forall n$$

let  $n \geq \frac{n_0(r, t, \epsilon)}{\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}}$  ( $n_0$  given by Thm 2.13)

and let  $G$  be  $K_r(t)$ -free with  $n$  vertices and at least  $\left(1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + 2\epsilon\right) \binom{n}{2}$  edges.

lemma 2.12  $\Rightarrow \exists$  a subgraph  $G'$  of  $G$  with  $n' \geq \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} n$  vertices and  $\delta(G') \geq \left(1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon\right) n'$   
 (with  $\epsilon = \epsilon < 1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon$ )

Since  $n' \geq \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} n \geq n_0(r, t, \epsilon)$

Thm 2.13  $\Rightarrow$  there is a copy of  $K_r(t)$  in  $G'$  ~~///~~

Proof of Thm 2.13

(Induction on  $r$ )  
 $r=2: K_2(t) = K_{t,t}, ex(n, K_{t,t}) \leq \frac{1}{2}(t-1)^{\frac{1}{2}} n^{2-\frac{1}{t}} + \frac{1}{2}(t-1)n < \epsilon n^{2-\frac{1}{t}}$   
 from last lecture (KST7 Thm 2.9)

Given  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $t \geq 1$

let  $n_0 = \left\lceil \left(\frac{2t}{\epsilon}\right)^t \right\rceil$ , then for  $n \geq n_0$  we have  $\epsilon > \frac{2t}{n^{1/t}}$

If  $G$  has  $n \geq n_0$  vertices, and  $\delta(G) \geq \epsilon n$  then  $|E(G)| \geq \frac{\epsilon n^2}{2} > \epsilon n^{2-\frac{1}{t}} \geq ex(n, K_{t,t}) \therefore K_2(t) \subseteq G$

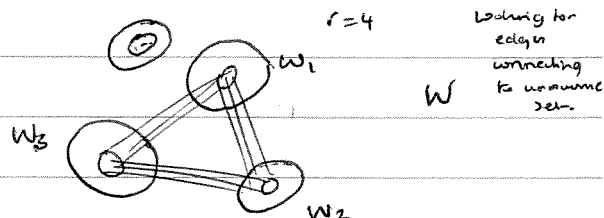
Let  $r \geq 3, t \geq 1, 0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{r}$  be given

Let  $G$  has  $n$  vertices  $\delta(G) \geq (1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon)n$

Need to show if  $n$  is sufficiently large then  $K_r(t) \subset G$

Let  $w = \lceil \frac{2t}{\epsilon} \rceil, n \geq n_0(r-1, w, \epsilon)$

Since  $1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon > 1 - \frac{1}{r-2} + \epsilon$



our ind hypothesis  $\Rightarrow K_{r-1}(w) \subseteq G$

Call the vertex set of  $K_{r-1}(w), W$

$$W = W_1 \cup \dots \cup W_{r-1}$$

each  $|W_i| = w$ , so  $|W| = (r-1)w$

\*  $S = \{v \in V \setminus W : v \text{ has } \geq (r-2)w + t \text{ neighbours in } W\}$

Want  $|S|$  to be big

Claim:  $|S| \rightarrow \infty$

So in particular for  $n$  sufficiently large.  $|S| > (t-1) \binom{w}{t}^{r-1}$

Proof of the counting claim

Let  $H$  be a copy of  $K_{r-1}(t)$  in  $W$

we say  $v \in S$  is "good" for  $H$  if  $v$  is adjacent to every vertex in  $H$ .

Assume  $G$  is  $K_r(t)$ -free.

Then each copy of  $K_{r-1}(t)$  has at most  $(t-1)$  good vertices in  $S$

$$\# \text{ copies of } K_{r-1}(t) \text{ in } W = \binom{w}{t}^{r-1}$$

Every vertex in  $S$  is good for at least one copy of  $K_{r-1}(t)$  in  $W$

(Since each  $v \in S$  has  $\geq t$  neighbours in each  $W_i$ )

Hence  $|S| \leq (t-1) \binom{w}{t}^{r-1}$  ~~by claim~~

Proof of the claim: Count edges from  $W$  to  $V \setminus W$

Denote this  $e(W, V \setminus W)$

$$e(W, V \setminus W) = \sum_{v \in V} d(v) - 2e(W)$$

$$\delta(G) \geq (1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon)n, \text{ and } e(W) \leq \frac{|W|^2}{2} < \frac{|W|^2}{2}$$

$$e(W, V \setminus W) \geq |W|n (1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon) - |W|^2$$

If  $v \in (V \setminus W) \setminus S$  then  $v$  has  $< (r-2)w + t$  neighbours in  $W$

\* If  $v \in S$  then  $v$  has  $\leq |W|$  neighbours in  $W$

$$\text{So } e(v, W, W) \leq ((r-2)w+t)(n-|W|-|S|) + |W||S|$$

$$= n((r-2)w+t) - |W|^2 + (w-t)|W| + |S|(w-t)$$

(using the fact  $|W| = (r-1)w = (r-2)w+t + (w-t)$ )

$$|W|n \left(1 - \frac{1}{r-1} + \epsilon\right) - |W|^2 \leq n((r-2)w+t) - |W|^2 + (w-t)|W| + |S|(w-t)$$

show working out

$$\Leftrightarrow |S| > n \left( \frac{\epsilon(r-1)w-t}{w-t} \right) - (r-1)w$$

$$\text{using } w = \left\lceil \frac{2t}{\epsilon} \right\rceil$$

$$w \geq \frac{2t}{\epsilon} \quad \epsilon(r-1)w \geq 2t(r-1) \\ \geq 4t$$

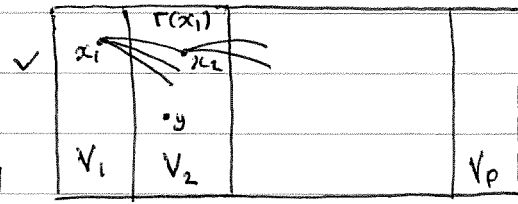
$$\text{So } |S| > \frac{3tn}{w-t} - (r-1)w \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$|S| > (t-1) \left(\frac{w}{t}\right)^{r-1} \text{ for } n \text{ suff large} \quad \square$$

Thm 2.14 (Füredi 2010)

If  $G$  is  $K_{r+1}$ -free, order  $n$ , with at least  $ex(n, K_{r+1}) - t$  edges for some  $t \geq 0$  then  $\exists H \subseteq G$  s.t.  $\chi(H) \leq r$  and  $|E(H)| \geq |E(G)| - t$

proof using the diagram.



have two type of edges in  $V_2$   
 $|V_2|$   $|V_2|$

Proof: Let  $x_1 \in V = V(G)$  have maximum degree

let  $V_1 = V \setminus \Gamma(x_1)$

Next find a vertex  $x_2 \in V \setminus V_1$  that has max degree in  $G[V \setminus V_1]$

$V_2 = V \setminus (V_1 \cup \Gamma(x_2))$

Continue in this way finding  $x_{i+1} \in V \setminus (V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_i)$  of max degree in  $G[V \setminus (V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_i)]$

set  $V_{i+1} = V \setminus (V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_i \cup \Gamma(x_{i+1}))$

Suppose this process finishes with  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_p$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_p$

By construction we know  $\{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$  forms a copy of  $K_p$

Hence, since  $G$  is  $K_{r+1}$ -free,  $p \leq r$ .

Let  $K(V_1, \dots, V_p)$  be the complete bipartite graph with vertex classes  $V_1, \dots, V_p$ .

Let  $G_i = G[V_i \cup V_{i+1} \cup \dots \cup V_p]$

$d_1 = |V_2| + \dots + |V_p|$

So if  $d_{G_i}(x_i) = d_i$ , then if  $y \in V_i$ ,  $d_{G_i}(y) \leq d_i$

$d_2 = |V_3| + \dots + |V_p|$

$\sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{y \in V_i} d_{G_i}(y) \leq \sum_{i=1}^p d_i |V_i| = |E(K(V_1, \dots, V_p))| \leq t_p(n) \leq t_p(n)$

Let  $k = \#$  edges in  $G$  that ~~are~~ <sup>lie</sup> inside a single  $V_i$  for ~~some~~ <sup>some</sup>  $i$

$|E(G)| + k = \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{y \in V_i} d_{G_i}(y) \leq t_p(n) = ex(n, K_{r+1})$

Now let  $H \subseteq G$  be obtained by deleting the  $k$  "internal" edges

Since  $|E(G)| \geq ex(n, K_{r+1}) - t$

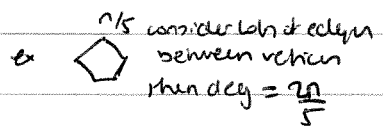
and  $|E(G)| \leq ex(n, K_{r+1}) - k$

so  $k \leq t$  and  $|E(H)| \geq |E(G)| - t$

Note:  $H$  is  $p$ -partite so  $\chi(H) = p \leq r$   $\square$

Theorem 2.15 (Andrásfai - Erdős - Sós)

If  $G$  is  $K_3$ -free and  $\delta(G) > \frac{2n}{5}$ , then  $G$  is bipartite

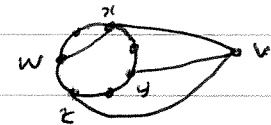


shows theorem is as strong as it could be

Proof: Suppose  $G$  is  $K_3$ -free,  $n$  vertices,  $\delta(G) > \frac{2n}{5}$ , not bipartite

Let  $C$  be a shortest odd cycle in  $G$  with  $n$  vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2k+1}\}$ ,  $k \geq 2$  ( $K_3$ -free)

Claim:  $v \in V(G)$  has at most 2 neighbours in  $C$



Proof: let  $v \in V(G) \setminus C$  have 3 neighbours  $x, y, t$  in  $C$

Since  $C$  has odd length wlog  $x, y$  are odd distance apart

$\therefore$  form a shorter odd cycle wlog  $v$

Same is true for  $w \in C$

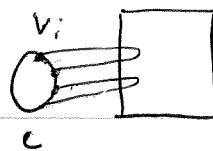
Let  $E^*$  be the edges of  $G$  from  $C$  to  $V(G) \setminus C$



By the claim  $|E^*| \leq (n-2k-1) \cdot 2$

shown this before.  $\leftarrow \leq 2n-10 \quad (k \geq 2)$

$$2n-10 \geq |E^*| = \sum_{i=1}^{2k+1} (d(v_i)-2) \geq \left(\frac{2n-2}{5}\right)(2k+1) \geq 2n-10 \quad \# \quad \square$$



$V(G) - C$

We will be working with

$$[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}, \quad |[n]| = n$$

Power set

$$P([n]) = \{A : A \subseteq [n]\}, \quad |P([n])| = 2^n$$

either in or out.

$$0 \leq k \leq n \quad \binom{[n]}{k} = \{A : A \subseteq [n], |A| = k\}$$

2 sets of same size  
neither can be subset of other

$$A \in P([n]) \quad A = \{123, 45, 37\}$$

(same size)

$$A = \{\{12, 3\}, \{4, 5\}, \{3, 7\}\}$$

3.1 chains and antichains

$A \in P([n])$  is a chain if and only if

$$\forall A, B \in A \quad A \subseteq B \text{ or } B \subseteq A$$

For example

$$A = \{\emptyset, 1, 13, 13457\}$$

$A \in P([n])$  is an antichain,  $\forall A, B \in A \quad A \subseteq B \Rightarrow A = B$

For example

$$A = \{123, 145, 245, 136\}$$

Lemma 3.1: If  $A$  is antichain and  $\mathcal{C}$  is a chain then

$$|\mathcal{C} \cap A| \leq 1$$

Proof: If  $A, B \in \mathcal{C} \cap A$  then  $A, B \in \mathcal{C}$

so wlog  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A, B \in A \Rightarrow A = B$

Hence  $|\mathcal{C} \cap A| \leq 1$

Question: If  $\mathcal{C} \in P([n])$ , how large can  $|\mathcal{C}|$  be?

Proposition 3.2: If  $\mathcal{C} \in P([n])$  is a chain then  $|\mathcal{C}| \leq n+1$

$$\text{Proof: } P([n]) = \binom{[n]}{0} \cup \binom{[n]}{1} \cup \binom{[n]}{2} \cup \dots \cup \binom{[n]}{n}$$

can be partitioned into  $n+1$  antichains

Hence by Lemma 3.1,  $\mathcal{C}$  can contain at most one set from each antichain

Therefore  $|\mathcal{C}| \leq n+1$

Theorem 3.3 (Sperner) If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}([n])$  is an antichain then

$$|\mathcal{A}| \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} = \binom{n}{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}$$

For example we can achieve this bound with

$$\mathcal{A} = \binom{[n]}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \text{ or } \mathcal{A} = \binom{[n]}{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}$$

Consider

$$\mathcal{P}([3]) = \{\emptyset, 1, 2, 3, 12, 13, 23, 123\}$$

Partition into three chains

$$\{\emptyset, 1, 12, 123\}, \{2, 23\}, \{3, 13\}$$

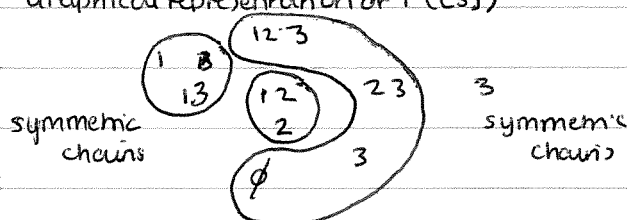
we would like to do this process for any  $n$ .

A chain  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{P}([n])$  is symmetric

$$(1) \mathcal{C} = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\} \quad |C_{i+1}| = |C_i| + 1 \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, k-1$$

$$(2) |C_1| + |C_k| = n$$

Graphical representation of  $\mathcal{P}([3])$



Lemma 3.4  $\mathcal{P}([n])$  can be ~~positive~~ partitioned into symmetric chains

Proof (Sperner)

If  $\mathcal{C} = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\}$  is a symmetric chain then

$$|C_1| \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, |C_k| \geq \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \quad (\text{from condition 2 of defn})$$

Hence  $\exists 1 \leq i \leq k$  such that  $|C_i| = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$

Let  $\mathcal{P}([n]) = \mathcal{C}_1 \cup \mathcal{C}_2 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{C}_t$  be a partition into symmetric chains

Each symmetric chain contains exactly one set from  $\binom{[n]}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$  and conversely

each  $A \in \binom{[n]}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$  belongs to exactly one of the symmetric chains

$$\text{Hence } t = \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$$

So if  $A \in \mathcal{P}([n])$  is an antichain

$$|A| = |A \cap \mathcal{P}([n])| = \sum_{i=1}^t |A \cap \mathcal{C}_i| \leq t = \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \quad \square$$

(split into symmetric chains, we know it must pass through the middle layer chain meets antichain once, There is a one to one correspondence between which meets which)

Proof (lemma 3.4)

By induction on  $n$

For  $n=1$ ,  $\mathcal{P}([1]) = \{\emptyset, 1\}$  is a symmetric chain

let  $n \geq 2$  and suppose  $\mathcal{P}([n-1])$  is partitioned into symmetric chains  $\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \dots, \mathcal{C}_t$

let  $\mathcal{C}_i = \{c_1^i, c_2^i, \dots, c_{k_i}^i\}$  then  $|c_1^i| + |c_{k_i}^i| = n-1$  (max)

Recall

$$\mathcal{P}([n]) = \mathcal{P}([n-1]) \cup \{A \cup \{n\} : A \in \mathcal{P}([n-1])\}$$

(Partition into set that contains  $n$ , and doesn't contain  $n$ )

$$\text{let } \mathcal{C}_i' = \{c_1^i \cup \{n\}, c_2^i \cup \{n\}, \dots, c_{k_i-1}^i \cup \{n\}\}$$

$$\text{Note } |c_1^i \cup \{n\}| + |c_{k_i-1}^i \cup \{n\}| = |c_1^i| + 1 + |c_{k_i-1}^i| - 1 + 1$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{\text{added } n} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{\text{stopped one added before the last. } n}$

Therefore  $\mathcal{C}_i'$  is a symmetric chain

$$\text{let } \mathcal{C}_i'' = \{c_1^i, c_2^i, \dots, c_{k_i}^i, c_{k_i}^i \cup \{n\}\}$$

$$|c_1^i| + |c_{k_i}^i \cup \{n\}| = |c_1^i| + |c_{k_i}^i| + 1 = n-1+1 = n$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{C}_i''$  is a symmetric chain

Since  $\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \dots, \mathcal{C}_t$  form a partition of  $\mathcal{P}([n-1])$  so  $\mathcal{C}_1', \mathcal{C}_2', \dots, \mathcal{C}_t', \mathcal{C}_1'', \dots, \mathcal{C}_t''$  form a partition of  $\mathcal{P}([n])$  into symmetric chains

Example from  $n=1$  to  $n=2$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}([1]) &= \{\emptyset, 1\} = \mathcal{C}_1 & \{2\} &= \mathcal{C}_1' \\ & & \{\emptyset, 1, 2\} &= \mathcal{C}_1'' \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.5 (Lym-inequality) If  $A \in \mathcal{P}([n])$  is an antichain then

$$\sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{\binom{n}{|A|}} \leq 1$$

$$\text{If } a_k = |A \cap \binom{[n]}{k}|$$

$$\text{Then } \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{a_k}{\binom{n}{k}} \leq 1$$

$$\text{Recall } \binom{n}{k} \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{a_k}{\binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} \leq \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{a_k}{\binom{n}{k}} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$$

(So LYM-inequality proves Sperner in exam, could prove LYM then deduce Sperner)

Proof let  $S_n$  be the permutation on  $[n]$

let  $A \subseteq P([n])$  be an antichain

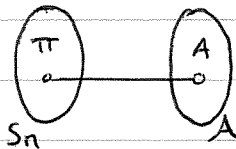
Form a bipartite graph  $G = (S_n, A; E)$

There is an edge in  $E$  from  $A \in A$  to  $\pi \in S_n$  if and only if the elements of  $A$  all appear before the elements of  $A^c$  in  $\pi$ .

Example  $A = 125$   $n=6$

$\pi_1 = \boxed{5} 1 2 3 4 6$   $\pi_1 A \in E$

$\pi_2 = \boxed{1 2 6} 5 3 4$   $\pi_2 A \notin E$



Now (double counting argument)

$$\sum_{\pi \in S_n} d(\pi) = |E| = \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} d(A)$$

How large can  $d(\pi)$  be?

Can  $d(\pi) \geq 2$ ?

If  $d(\pi) \geq 2$ , let  $A, B$  be neighbours of  $\pi$ ,  $A \neq B$

Then without loss of generality  $|A| \leq |B|$ , then the first  $|A|$  elements of  $\pi$  form the set  $A$  and this is a subset of  $B$  which forms the first  $|B|$  elements of  $\pi$ .

Hence  $A \subset B$ . This is a contradiction

because antichain

Hence  $d(\pi) \leq 1$  therefore  $|E| \leq n!$

Fix  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $|A| = k$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \underbrace{x \ x \ x \ x \ x}_{k} & \underbrace{x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ x}_{n-k} \\ A & A^c \end{array}$$

$k$  is fixed but we choose where elements go  
 $k!$  choices same with  $n-k$ ,  $(n-k)!$  choices.

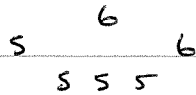
$$d(A) = k! (n-k)! = |A|! (n-|A|)!$$

$$\text{Hence } n! \geq |E| = \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} |A|! (n-|A|)!$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{\binom{n}{|A|}} \leq 1$$

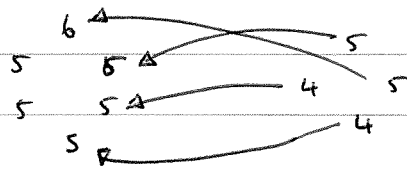
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13) a)  $T_6(32)$



- 3 cases
- 5-5 :  $6 \times 25$
  - 5-6 :  $8 \times 30$
  - 6-6 :  $1 \times 36$

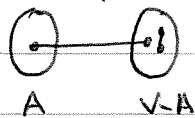
b)



$T_4(18)$

Isomorphic as each node class of  $T_6(32)$  is larger than  $T_4(18)$

14) Take an independent set of max size  $A$



$$\sum_{v \in V-A} d(v) = |E| + \text{internal}$$

$$|E| + \text{internal} = \sum_{v \in V-A} d(v) \leq a(n-a) \leq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$$

↓

$$\lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor - t + \text{internal} \text{ with } |A|=a$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{internal} \leq t$$

$$|E| = \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor - t$$

Therefore  $G[A, V-A]$  is the graph  $G$  induced by  $A$  and  $V-A$  is a bipartite subgraph with

$$\geq \lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor - 2t \text{ edges}$$

Induced bipartite induced by bipartition  $A$  and  $V-A$

15)  $\pi(H) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{\Delta(H)}$

$$\chi(H) \leq \Delta(H) + 1$$

$$\pi(H) = 1 - \frac{1}{\chi(H)-1} \quad (E-5)$$

$$16) \pi(K_{1,t}) = 0$$

IF  $G$  is  $K_{1,t}$  free then  $\Delta(G) \leq t-1$

$$2|E| = \sum_{v \in G} d(v) \leq 2(t-1)n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|E|}{\binom{n}{2}} \leq \frac{(t-1)n}{\binom{n}{2}} \rightarrow 0$$

3.2 Intersecting Families

$\mathcal{A}$  is intersecting iff  $A, B \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A \cap B \neq \emptyset$

eg  $\mathcal{B} = \{12, 13, 23\}$   $\cap B = \emptyset$   
 $B \in \mathcal{B}$

Theorem 3.6 If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}([n])$  is intersecting then  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq 2^{n-1}$

Proof If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}([n])$  is intersecting and  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A^c \notin \mathcal{A}$   $\square$

eg  $\mathcal{A}^* = \{A \subseteq [n] : 1 \in A\}$  Fix an integer, eg 1

odd  $\mathcal{B} = \{B \subseteq [n] : |B| > \frac{n}{2}\}$   $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$

$\mathcal{C} = \{C \subseteq [n] : |C \cap [3]| \geq 2\}$

# sets in  $\mathcal{C}$  s.t.  $C \cap [3] = \{1, 2\}$  is  $2^{n-3}$   
 $= \{1, 3\}$  " " "

$\{12, 13, 23, 123\}$   
 $\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \nearrow$

$2^{n-3} + 2^{n-3} + 2^{n-3} + 2^{n-3} = 2^{n-1}$

$\mathcal{C}_t = \{C \subseteq [n] : |C \cap [2t-1]| \geq t\}$

$\frac{2^{2t-1}}{2} 2^{n-(2t-1)} = 2^{n-1}$

If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$  is intersecting then:  $n \leq 2k \Rightarrow$  all such families are intersecting

so  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \binom{n}{k}$

$n = 2k$   $\Rightarrow |\mathcal{A}| \leq \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1}$  if  $n = 2k$ .

Theorem 3.7. ~~with~~ If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$  is intersecting and  $n \geq 2k$  then  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \binom{n-1}{k-1} = |\{A \in \binom{[n]}{k} : 1 \in A\}|$

Proof Let  $\mathcal{C}_n$  the set of cyclic permutations of  $[n]$ .

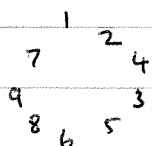
i.e.  $\mathcal{C}_n$  consists of permutations of  $[n]$  where two permutations are considered equal if when written around a circle we can obtain one from the other by rotation.

$\pi = 124356897$

$\tau = 5689712435$

eg. interval: 234  
568

$n=9$



$\pi = \tau$  in  $\mathcal{C}_n$

$|\mathcal{C}_n| = (n-1)!$

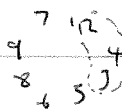
not interval: 389

Given  $\pi \in \mathcal{C}_n$  and  $A \subseteq [n]$ , we say  $A$  is an interval in  $\pi$  if the elements of  $A$  appear consecutively in  $\pi$

eg



fixed  
 can only have  
 217 or 435  
 243 or 727

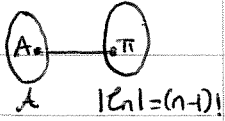


$\frac{243}{127 \text{ or } 345}$   
 $124 \text{ or } 356$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{n} \binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1}$$

Define a bipartite graph with  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$  our intersecting family, as one vertex class and  $\mathcal{L}_n$  as the other. Insert an edge from  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  to  $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_n$  iff  $A$  is an interval in  $\pi$ .



$$\sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} d(A) = |\mathcal{E}| = \sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{L}_n} d(\pi)$$

Lemma 3.8 If  $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_n$ ,  $n \geq 2k$  and  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$  is an intersecting family of intervals in  $\pi$  then  $|\mathcal{I}| \leq k$

Lemma 3.8  $\Rightarrow \forall \pi \in \mathcal{L}_n, d(\pi) \leq k$ . So  $|\mathcal{E}| \leq k \cdot (n-1)!$

If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , what is  $d(A)$ ?

$k!$  ways of ordering the  $k$  elements in any order

$$d(A) = k! \cdot (n-k)!$$

$(n-k)!$  other elements to rearrange

$$\therefore |\mathcal{E}| = |\mathcal{A}| k! (n-k)! \leq k \cdot (n-1)!$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mathcal{A}| \leq \binom{n-1}{k-1}$$

□

Lemma 3.8 If  $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_n, n \geq 2k$  and  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$  is an intersecting family of intervals in  $\pi$  then  $|\mathcal{I}| \leq k$

Proof Let  $\pi = c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$ . Let  $I \in \mathcal{I}$

So  $I = \{c_i, c_{i+1}, \dots, c_{i+k-1}\}$

Define  $I+j = \{c_{i+j}, c_{i+j+1}, \dots, c_{i+j+k-1}\}$  where all subscripts are modulo  $n$

$I$  is disjoint from all but  $2k-2$  other intervals from  $\pi$

Namely:  $I+j, -(k-1) \leq j \leq (k-1) j \neq 0$

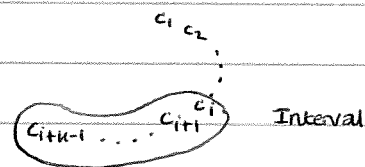
But  $I+j$  and  $I+j-k, j=1, 2, \dots, k-1$  are pairwise disjoint

Therefore have at most one interval in  $\mathcal{I}$  from each pair:  $I+1, I+1-k$

$I+2, I+2-k$

$\vdots$

$I+k-1, I-1$



Therefore  $|\mathcal{I}| \leq 1 + (k-1) = k$   $\square$

Compressions

$A \subseteq [n]$   $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ ,  $ij$ <sup>th</sup> compression of  $A$  is:  $c_{ij}(A) = \begin{cases} A \setminus \{j\} \cup \{i\}, & \text{if } j \in A, i \notin A \\ A & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Examples

$c_{14}(235) = 235$

$c_{14}(145) = 145$

$c_{14}(245) = 125$

If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}([n])$  then  $c_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) = \{c_{ij}(A) : A \in \mathcal{A}\} \cup \{A \in \mathcal{A} : c_{ij}(A) \in \mathcal{A}\}$

We get  $c_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$  as follows: Take each set  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  in turn

Now apply  $c_{ij}$  to  $A$ . If  $c_{ij}(A) \in \mathcal{A}$  then take it, otherwise take  $A$ .

Example

$\mathcal{A} = \{135, 235, 125, 346, 146\}$

$c_{13}(\mathcal{A}) = \{135, 235, 125, 346, 146\}$

$c_{23}(\mathcal{A}) = \{135, 235, 125, 246, 146\} = \mathcal{A}'$

$c_{12}(\mathcal{A}') = \{135, 235, 125, 246, 146\} = \mathcal{A}'$

$c_{26}(\mathcal{A}') = \{135, 235, 125, 246, 124\} = \mathcal{A}''$

Lemma 3.9  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$ ,  $\forall i, j, 1 \leq i < j \leq n$

(i)  $C_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$

(ii)  $|C_{ij}(\mathcal{A})| = |\mathcal{A}|$

(iii) If  $\mathcal{A}$  is intersecting then so is  $C_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$

(iv) If we repeatedly apply  $ij$ -compressions to a family  $\mathcal{A}$ , for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ , we will eventually obtain a left-compressed family, where  $\mathcal{A}$  is left-compressed  $\Leftrightarrow C_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{A} \quad \forall 1 \leq i < j \leq n$

Proof (i) Obvious from defn.

(ii) Obvious from defn.

(iii)  $A, B \in C_{ij}(\mathcal{A})$

Case 1: If  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$

Case 2: If  $A, B \in C_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \setminus \mathcal{A}$  then  $i \in A \cap B$

Case 3: So suppose  $A \in C_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \setminus \mathcal{A}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{A}$

For a contradiction, suppose  $A \cap B = \emptyset$

Since  $A \in C_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \setminus \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\exists D \in \mathcal{A}$  s.t.  $A = D \setminus \{j\} \cup \{i\}$

Now  $D, B \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow D \cap B \neq \emptyset$  but  $A \cap B = \emptyset$

Therefore  $D \cap B = \{j\}$

So  $j \in B$  and  $i \notin B$  since  $i \in A$

Since  $B \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $j \in B, i \notin B$ ,  $B \setminus \{j\} \cup \{i\} = E$  must also belong to  $\mathcal{A}$

But then  $D \cap E = \emptyset$  since  $D, E \in \mathcal{A}$  are an intersecting family.

(iv) Define weight (potential) function

$$s(\mathcal{A}) = \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} \sum_{i \in A} a_i$$

If  $C_{ij}(\mathcal{A}) \neq \mathcal{A}$  then  $s(C_{ij}(\mathcal{A})) \leq s(\mathcal{A}) - (j-i)$

$$\leq s(\mathcal{A}) - 1$$

$s(\mathcal{A}) \geq 0$  and originally  $s(\mathcal{A}) < \infty$ , so this ends after a finite number of steps.

2<sup>nd</sup> proof of E-k-R Proof by induction on  $n \geq 2$

Trivial if  $n=2$

If  $n=2k$ , let  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{k}$  be intersecting then for each  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $A^c \in \binom{[n]}{k} \setminus \mathcal{A}$

Therefore  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{k} = \frac{1}{2} \binom{2k}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1}$

Therefore we can suppose  $n \geq 2k+1$  and the result holds for smaller  $n$  and  $k$

By lemma 3.9, we can prove the result for  $\mathcal{A}$  left-compressed.

So let  $\mathcal{A} = \binom{[n]}{k}$  be intersecting and left-compressed

$\mathcal{B} = \{B \in \mathcal{A} : n \notin B\}$  ← sets not containing  $n$ .

$\mathcal{C} = \{C \in \mathcal{A} : n \in C\}$  ← sets containing  $n$ .

So  $|A| = |B| + |C|$

$B \subseteq \binom{[n-1]}{k}$  intersecting

Since  $n-1 \geq 2k$  our inductive hypothesis  $\Rightarrow |B| \leq \binom{n-2}{k-1}$

Claim:  $C$  is intersecting

Assuming this, we have  $C \subseteq \binom{[n-1]}{k-1}$  is intersecting

Therefore  $|C| \leq \binom{n-2}{k-2}$  by our inductive hypothesis

So  $|A| \leq \binom{n-2}{k-1} + \binom{n-2}{k-2} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} \quad \square$

Proof (of Claim): Suppose  $\exists C, D \subseteq C$  s.t.  $C \cap D = \emptyset$

Then if  $A = C \cup \{n\}$ ,  $B = D \cup \{n\}$

then  $A \cap B = \{n\}$

$|A \cap [n-1]| = k-1 = |B \cap [n-1]|$

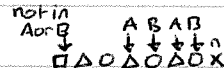
Therefore  $A \cup B$  contain  $2k-2$  elements from  $[n-1]$

Therefore  $\exists i \in [n-1] \setminus (A \cup B)$

But  $A$  left-compressed  $\Rightarrow C_{in}(A) = A$

So  $E = A \setminus \{n\} \cup \{i\} \in A$  and  $B \cap E = \emptyset \quad \#$

$\square$





18.  $P(\{5\}) = \binom{5}{2} = \binom{5}{3} = 10$

$\binom{5}{2}, \binom{5}{3}$

{1,2,3,1,2,4,1,3,4,2,3,4,1,5,2,5,3,5,4,5}

19.  $P(\{1\}) = \{\emptyset, 1\}$

$P(\{2\}) = \{\emptyset, 1, 2\}$

$P(\{3\}) = \{\emptyset, 1, 2, 3\}$

$P(\{4\}) = \{\emptyset, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1,2, 1,3, 1,2,3, 1,2,3,4\}$   
smaller + larger = 4

20.  $x_1, \dots, x_n \geq 1, A \in \mathcal{A}$

$s(A) = \sum_{i \in A} x_i$

$A \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \quad |s(A) - s(B)| < 1$

Prove  $\mathcal{A}$  uncountable

If  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A \subset B, A \neq B$

then  $|s(A) - s(B)| = s(B \setminus A) \geq 1$  ~~✗~~

$\therefore \mathcal{A}$  uncountable  $\square$

21.  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  intersecting

$A_1, A_1^c \quad B_1, B_1^c$   
 $A_2, A_2^c \quad \vdots$  things not in  $\mathcal{A}$   
 $\vdots$

$A_n, A_n^c \quad B_{2^{n-1}}, B_{2^{n-1}}^c$

where  $B \notin \mathcal{A} \cup \{A^c : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$

$\therefore B^c \notin \mathcal{A} \cup \{A^c : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$

$B, B^c$  - show can add one of them

suppose can't add either of them.

so suppose  $\mathcal{A} \cup \{B\}$  not intersecting

" — "  $\mathcal{A} \cup \{B^c\}$  " — "

$\exists A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  st  $A \cap B = \emptyset$

$$D \cap B^c = \emptyset \Rightarrow D \subseteq B$$

$\therefore C \cap D \subseteq C \cap B = \emptyset \neq C$  and  $D$  were in family  $\mathcal{A}$ .

□

22.  $t \geq 1$   $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \binom{[n]}{n}$ ,  $|A \cap B| \geq t$ ,  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{A}$   
 For  $n$  large  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \binom{n-t}{n-t}$

$\mathcal{A} = \{A \in \binom{[n]}{n} : [t] \subseteq A\}$  shows sharp.

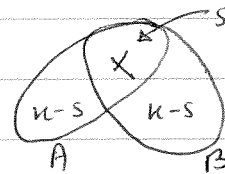
Let  $s = \min_{A, B \in \mathcal{A}} |A \cap B| \geq t$

$$\binom{n-s}{n-s} \leq \binom{n-t}{n-t}$$

Show  $\mathcal{A}$  at most this size (is enough)

Let  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  st  $|A \cap B| = s$ ,  $A \cap B = X$

Either every set in  $\mathcal{A}$  contains  $X$  or not

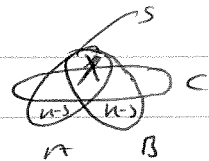


if contain X

If former holds, then  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \binom{n-s}{k-s}$

not contain X

So suppose latter: so  $\exists C \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $|C \cap X| \leq s-1$



For  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, s$

Let  $\mathcal{A}_j = \{D \in \mathcal{A} : |D \cap X| = j\}$

$$|\mathcal{A}| = \sum_{j=0}^s |\mathcal{A}_j|$$

$$|\mathcal{A}_j| \leq \binom{s}{j} \binom{n-s}{s-j}^2 \binom{n-s}{n-j-2(s-j)} = \binom{s}{j} \binom{n-s}{s-j}^2 \binom{n-s}{n-2s+j}$$

↑ choice of  $j$  ph. in  $X$ 
↑ choice of  $s-j$  ph. from  $A$  and  $B$ 
↑ choice of remaining  $n-2s+j$  ph.

$$|\mathcal{A}_j| \leq 2^s 2^{2(n-s)} \binom{n-s}{n-2s+(s-1)}$$

$$= 2^s 2^{2(n-s)} \binom{n-s}{k-s-1} \text{ for } j = 0, 1, \dots, s-1 \text{ (taking max)}$$

$$\text{So } \sum_{j=0}^{s-1} |\mathcal{A}_j| \leq s 2^{n-s} \binom{n-s}{n-s-1} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$|\mathcal{A}_s|?$

④

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If  $D \in \mathcal{A}_s$  then  $|C \cap D| \geq s$

$\Rightarrow D$  meets  $C \setminus X$

by defn  
within  
elements  
of  $X$

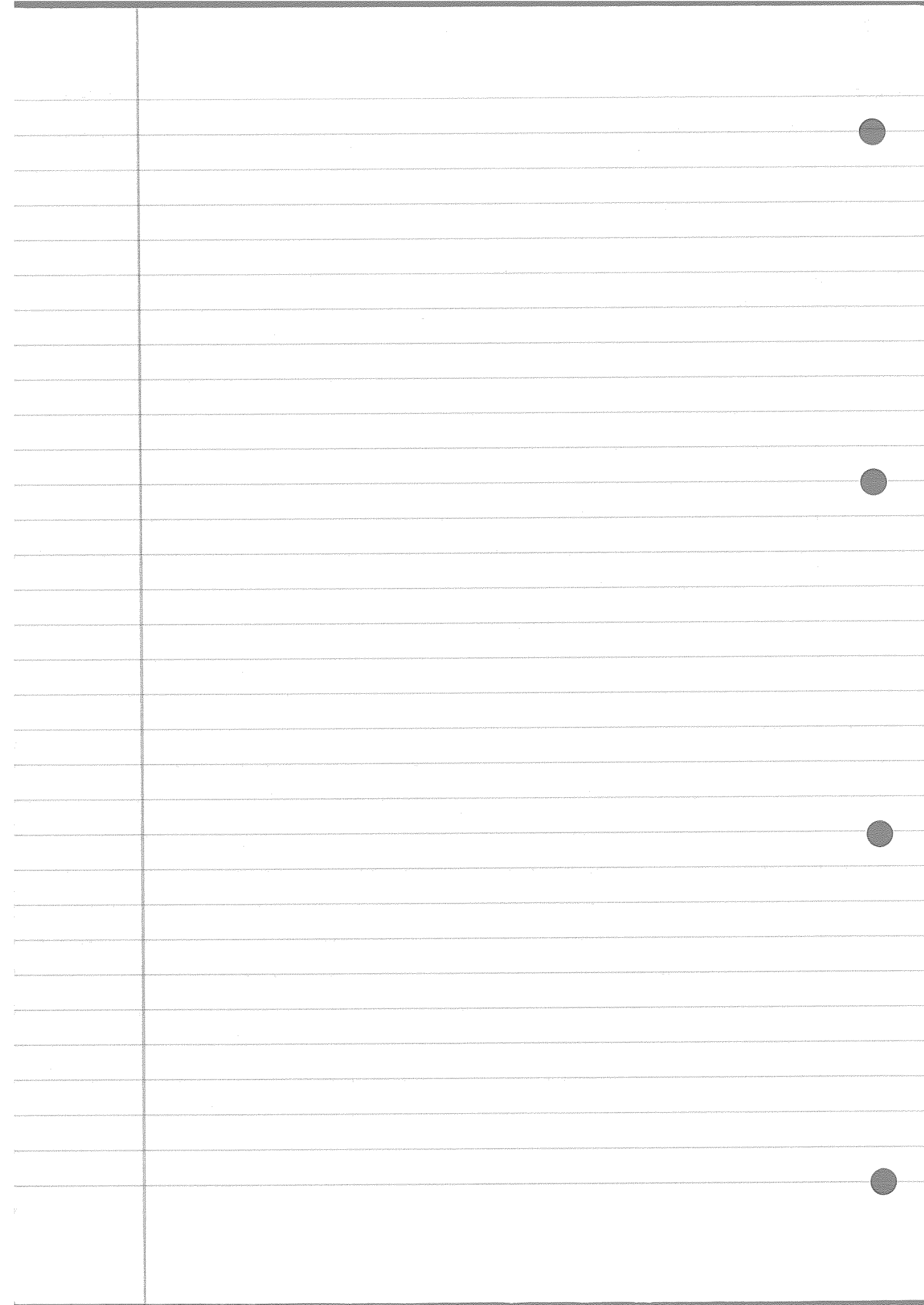
$$|A_s| \leq k \binom{n-s}{k-(s+1)} \quad (2)$$

choice of element in  $C \setminus X$

fix  $s+1$   
elements

$$|A| \leq (1) + (2) \leq (k+s) 2^{n-s} \binom{n-s}{k-s-1} < \binom{n-s}{k-s} \text{ if } n \text{ large.}$$





3.4 The linear algebra method (via combinatorics)

Lemma 3.10 If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_t \in V$  are LI (linearly independent) vectors and  $\dim(V) = d$ , then  $t \leq d$

Theorem 3.11 If  $A = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(G)$  satisfy

- (i)  $|A_i|$  is odd  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq m$
  - (ii)  $|A_i \cap A_j|$  is even  $\forall 1 \leq i \neq j \leq m$
- $\Rightarrow m \leq n$

(involves parity so consider  $\mathbb{F}_2$  for proof)

$\mathbb{F}_2 = \{0, 1\}$

add/mult mod 2

Proof Want to associate to each  $A_i \in A$  a vector  $v_i \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$  called the incidence vector of  $A_i$ ,  $v_i = \begin{pmatrix} v_{i1} \\ v_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ v_{in} \end{pmatrix}$

$$v_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & j \in A_i \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases} \quad \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$$

Let  $\langle, \rangle$  be the standard inner product.

$$\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^n v_{ik} v_{jk} = |A_i \cap A_j| = \begin{cases} 1, & i=j \\ 0, & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

= 0 when  $v_{ik} = v_{jk} = 1$

$\therefore \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$  is orthogonal  $\therefore$  LI  $\therefore m \leq \dim(\mathbb{F}_2^n) = n \quad \square$

Theorem 3.12 (Fisher)  $A = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(G)$ , satisfy  $|A_i \cap A_j| = k$  for some fixed  $k \geq 1$  and every  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq m$

Then  $|A| = m \leq n$

Proof Let  $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be the incidence vector for  $A_i$

$$v_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & j \in A_i \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases} \quad \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$$

$$\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^n v_{ik} v_{jk} = |A_i \cap A_j| = \begin{cases} k, & i \neq j \\ |A_i|, & i=j \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$  are not LI so  $\exists \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \in \mathbb{R}$  not all zero st  $\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i v_i = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \langle 0, 0 \rangle &= \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i v_i, \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j v_j \right\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^2 \langle v_i, v_i \rangle + \sum_{\substack{i, j \\ 1 \leq i \neq j \leq m}} \lambda_i \lambda_j \langle v_i, v_j \rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^2 (|A_i|) + \sum_{\substack{i, j \\ 1 \leq i \neq j \leq m}} \lambda_i \lambda_j k \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^2 (|A_i| - k) + k \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|A_i \cap A_j| \geq k$ ,  $|A_i| \geq k \forall i$  with equality at most once.

So  $\lambda_i^2 (|A_i| - k) \geq 0 \forall i$ , clearly ①  $\geq 0$

① + ② = 0  $\Rightarrow$  ① = 0 ② = 0

Each  $\lambda_i^2 (|A_i| - k) = 0$  since  $|A_i| - k = 0$  at most once, we have  $\lambda_i = 0$  for all but at most one value of  $i$

But if all but one  $\lambda_i$  are zero then ②  $\neq 0$

Thus all  $\lambda_i$ 's are zero and  $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$  is LI. Hence  $m \leq \dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n \quad \square$

Let  $L \subseteq \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, n\})$ . We say  $\mathcal{A}$  is L-intersecting iff  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}, A \neq B$  then  $|A \cap B| \in L$ .

e.g.  $L = \{1, \dots, n\}$  L-intersecting  $\equiv$  intersecting

$L = \{t, \dots, n\}$  L-intersecting  $\equiv$  t-intersecting i.e.  $|A \cap B| \geq t \forall A, B$

Theorem  
(Ray-Chaudhuri  
- Wilson)  
1975

If  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, n\})$  is L-intersecting then  $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \sum_{i \in L} \binom{n}{i}$

Example

$$\mathcal{A} = \binom{[n]}{0} \cup \binom{[n]}{1} \cup \dots \cup \binom{[n]}{l}$$

where  $L = \{0, \dots, l-1\}, |L| = l$

$\mathcal{A}$  is L-intersecting

Proof  $L = \{l_1, \dots, l_s\}, |L| = s$

Let  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, n\})$  be L-intersecting

$\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\}, |A_1| \leq |A_2| \leq \dots \leq |A_m|$

Let  $v_i$  be the incidence vector of  $A_i$ , so  $v_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & j \in A_i \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , define  $x \cdot y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$

$$v_i \cdot v_j = \sum_{k=1}^n v_{ik} v_{jk} = |A_i \cap A_j|$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , define a polynomial  $P_i$  in  $n$  variables  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  by:

dot prod.

$$P_i(x) = \prod_{k: l_k < |A_i|} ((v_i \cdot x) - l_k)$$

Continuing proof of theorem 3.13...

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , define a polynomial in  $n$  variables

$$p_i(x) = \prod_{k: l_k \in A_i} (\langle v_i, x \rangle - l_k), \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$p_i(v_j) = ?$  for  $j < i$

if  $j < i$ , then  $|A_j| \leq |A_i|$ ,  $A_i \cap A_j \in L$

$|A_i \cap A_j| = l_k \in A_i$ . Corresponding term in  $p_i(v_j)$  is:

$$\langle v_i, v_j \rangle - l_k = 0 \text{ so } p_i(v_j) = 0$$

$p_i(v_i) \neq 0$  each term in  $\langle v_i, v_i \rangle - l_k, l_k \in A_i$

$$\text{so } (|A_i| - l_k) > 0 \Rightarrow p_i(v_i) \neq 0$$

$|L| = 5$ . Let  $q_i(x)$  be the polynomial obtained from  $p_i(x)$  by replacing

each term  $x_j^\alpha, \alpha \geq 2$  by  $x_j$ . This does not change

value on  $x \in \{0,1\}^n$ . So  $q_i(v_j) = 0$  for  $j < i$

$$q_i(v_i) \neq 0$$

Let  $\mathcal{Q}$  be the vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  spanned by  $q_1, \dots, q_m$

Claim:  $\{q_1, \dots, q_m\}$  are L.I.

zero polynomial  $\rightarrow$  Suppose  $\lambda_1 q_1 + \dots + \lambda_m q_m = 0$

$$\lambda_1 q_1(v_1) + \dots + \lambda_m q_m(v_1) = 0$$

$\neq 0$        $\underbrace{\quad}_{=0}$        $\leftarrow q_i(v_1) = 0 \quad i \geq 2$

$$\Rightarrow q_1(v_1) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 0$$

Repeat  $\lambda_2 q_2(v_2) + \dots + \lambda_m q_m(v_2) = 0 \leftarrow q_i(v_2) = 0 \quad i \geq 3$

$$\lambda_2 q_2(v_2) = 0, q_2(v_2) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 0$$

Repeat, hence  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_m = 0$   $\square$  for claim.

Now that  $m \leq \dim \mathcal{Q}$ .

Consider  $q_i(x)$  expressed as a sum of monomials

$\leftarrow$  expand par brackets and collect terms and non-constant products replaced by  $x_1^2, x_1^3, \dots$

$$q_i(x) = \sum_j c_j x_{j_1} x_{j_2} \dots x_{j_n}$$

at most  $s$  terms.

Define  $M_s = \{1, x_1, \dots, x_n, x_1 x_2, x_1 x_3, \dots, x_{n-1} x_n, x_1 x_2 x_3, x_{n-2} x_{n-1} x_n, \dots\}$

$$= \{x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_j} : 1 \leq j \leq s, \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_j\} \in \binom{[n]}{j}\} \cup \{1\}$$

$\mathcal{Q}$  is clearly in the span of  $M_s \therefore \dim \mathcal{Q} \leq |M_s|$

$$|M_s| = \sum_{i=0}^s \binom{n}{i} \quad \square$$

eg.  $L$ -intersecting (to help understand proof)

$$A = \{13, 123, 124, 345\}$$

$L = \{1, 2\}$  everything meets at either 1 or 2 pts.

incidence vectors:

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, v_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_4(x) = \prod_{k: l_k \in A_4} (\langle v_4, x \rangle - l_k)$$

$$= (\langle v_4, x \rangle - 1) (\langle v_4, x \rangle - 2)$$

$$= (x_3 + x_4 + x_5 - 1) (x_3 + x_4 + x_5 - 2)$$

$$\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = |A_i \cap A_j| : p_4(v_1) = 0 \times (-1) = 0$$

$$p_4(v_2) = 0 \times (-1) = 0, p_4(v_3) = 0 \times (-1) = 0$$

$$p_4(v_4) = 2 \times 1 = 2 \neq 0$$

$$p_4(x) = x_3^2 + x_4^2 + x_5^2 + 2(x_3 x_4 + x_3 x_5 + x_4 x_5) - 3(x_3 + x_4 + x_5) + 2$$

$$R(2,t) = t \quad R(s,2) = s$$

$$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$$

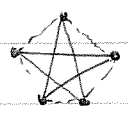
$$k_2 \quad k_t$$

### Ramsey Theory

Let  $s, t \geq 2$ , let  $R(s,t)$  be the smallest integer  $n$  st every red-blue edge colouring of  $K_n$  either contains a red  $K_s$  or a blue  $K_t$ .

Proposition 4.1:  $R(3,3) = 6$  (to prove need to show  $R(3,3) \leq 6$  and  $R(3,3) > 5$ )

dash-blue  
line - red

$R(3,3) > 5$ :  No red or blue  $K_3 \Rightarrow R(3,3) > 5$

can use  
this for  
general  
instead of  
6

Take a red/blue colouring of  $K_6$

Let  $v \in V(K_6)$ ,  $\Gamma_{\text{red}}(v) = \{w : vw \text{ is red}\}$

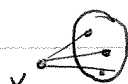
$\Gamma_{\text{blue}}(v) = \{w : vw \text{ is blue}\}$

$d_{\text{red}}(v) = |\Gamma_{\text{red}}(v)|$ ,  $d_{\text{blue}}(v) = |\Gamma_{\text{blue}}(v)|$

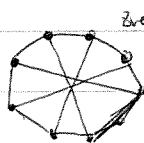
$5 = d(v) = d_{\text{red}}(v) + d_{\text{blue}}(v)$

Either  $d_{\text{red}}(v) \geq 3$  or  $d_{\text{blue}} \geq 3$ , so wlog  $d_{\text{red}}(v) \geq 3$

- red

 Either there is a red edge inside  $\Gamma_{\text{red}}(v) \Rightarrow$  red  $K_3$   
or  $\Gamma_{\text{red}}(v)$  has all edges blue  $\Rightarrow$  blue  $K_3$   $\square$

Proposition 4.2:  $R(3,4) = 9$



Example

$\Rightarrow R(3,4) > 8$

between  
red edges drawn  
blue edges missing

No red  $K_3$ , no blue  $K_4$

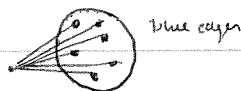
Now show  $R(3,4) \leq 9$

Take a red/blue colouring of  $K_9$ . Let  $v \in V(K_9)$ . If  $d_{\text{red}}(v) \geq 4$



either  $\Gamma_{\text{red}}(v)$  contains a red edge  $\Rightarrow$  red  $K_3$ , or  $\Gamma_{\text{red}}(v)$  has all edges blue  $\Rightarrow$  blue  $K_4$ . So wlog  $d_{\text{red}}(v) \leq 3$

If  $d_{\text{red}}(v) \leq 2 \Rightarrow d_{\text{blue}}(v) \geq 6$



$R(3,3) = 6 \Rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{blue}}(v)$  contains a red  $K_3$  or blue  $K_3$ . In latter case have a blue  $K_4$  together with  $v$

Final case:  $d_{\text{red}}(v) = 3$  for all  $v \in V(K_9)$

So the  $\sum_{v \in V(K_9)} d_{\text{red}}(v) = 3 \times 9 = 27$

"  
"  $2 \# \text{red edges} = 27$   $\times$

Theorem 4.3: Let  $s, t \geq 2$ , then  $R(s,t)$  is well defined and satisfies  $R(s,t) \leq \binom{s+t-2}{s-1}$

Proof (By induction on  $s+t$ )

$R(2,t) = t$ ,  $R(s,2) = s$ . Theorem holds <sup>if</sup> for  $s=2$  or  $t=2$ . True for  $s+t=4$

Let  $s+t > 4$  with  $s > 2, t > 2$

Let  $n = R(s-1,t) + R(s,t-1)$ , which exists by our inductive hypothesis

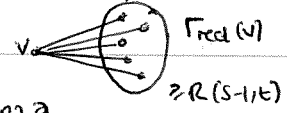
Want to show  $R(s,t) \leq n$

Take a red/blue colouring of  $K_n$

For  $v \in V(K_n)$   $\Gamma_{red}(v) = \{w : vw \text{ is red}\}$   $d_{red}(v) = |\Gamma_{red}(v)|$   
 $\Gamma_{blue}(v) = \{w : vw \text{ is blue}\}$   $d_{blue}(v) = |\Gamma_{blue}(v)|$

$n-1 = d(v) = d_{red}(v) + d_{blue}(v) = R(s-1, t) + R(s, t-1) - 1$

Either  $d_{red}(v) \geq R(s-1, t)$  or  $d_{blue}(v) \geq R(s, t-1)$

WLOG suppose  $d_{red}(v) \geq R(s-1, t)$  

By definition of  $R(s-1, t)$ ,  $\Gamma_{red}(v)$  contains a red  $K_{s-1}$  or a blue  $K_t$ , in the latter case we are done, in the former case the red  $K_{s-1}$  together with  $v$  forms a red  $K_s$ .

Hence  $R(s, t) \leq n = R(s-1, t) + R(s, t-1)$  (\*)

and so  $R(s, t) \leq \binom{s+t-3}{s-2} + \binom{s+t-3}{s-1} = \binom{s+t-2}{s-1}$   $\square$

$R(s, s) = \binom{2s-2}{s-1} \leq 2^{2s-2} \approx 4^s$

Proposition 4.4  $R(4, 4) = 18$

Proof Theorem  $\Rightarrow R(4, 4) \leq R(3, 4) + R(4, 3) = 18$   $\square$   
 $R(4, 4) > 17$  ... Google.

Theorem 4.6 (Erdős 1947) If  $n \geq s \geq 2$  then  $R(s, s) > n$  if  $\binom{n}{s} 2^{1-\binom{s}{2}} < 1$

Proof Let  $n, s$  satisfy  $\binom{n}{s} 2^{1-\binom{s}{2}} < 1$  (i.u.a.r)

Take  $K_n$  and colour each edge red or blue independently uniformly at random.

Fix  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s \in V(K_n)$  distinct vertices

$P(v_1, \dots, v_s \text{ form } K_s) = \frac{1}{2^{\binom{s}{2}}}$   
 $E[\# \text{red } K_s \text{ in } K_n] = \binom{n}{s} \frac{1}{2^{\binom{s}{2}}}$  (linearity of expectation)  
 " blue " = " " " "

$E[\# \text{monochromatic } K_s \text{ in } K_n] = \binom{n}{s} 2^{1-\binom{s}{2}} < 1$

$\therefore \exists$  a colouring of  $K_n$  with no red or blue  $K_s$   
 $\therefore R(s, s) > n$

Corollary 4.7 For  $s \geq 2$ ,  $R(s, s) \geq 2^{\frac{s}{2}}$  ( $\approx \sqrt{2}^s$ )

Proof  $R(2, 2) = 2$  works,  $R(3, 3) = 6$  works

so suppose  $s \geq 4$

Let  $n = \lceil 2^{\frac{s}{2}} \rceil$

For  $s \geq 4$ ,  $s! \geq 2^s$

$$\binom{n}{s} \frac{2}{2^{\binom{s}{2}}} < \frac{n^s}{2^s} \frac{2}{2^{\frac{s^2-s}{2}}} \leq \frac{2^{\frac{s^3}{2}+1}}{2^{s^2+s/2}} = \frac{1}{2^{\frac{s}{2}-1}} \leq \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

$\therefore$  Theorem 4.6  $\Rightarrow R(s, s) \geq 2^{\frac{s}{2}}$   $\square$

we end up with  $(\sqrt{2})^s \leq R(s, s) \leq 4^s$

Theorem 4.8 There are no trivial integer solutions to  $x^n + y^n = z^n$  for  $n \geq 3$

(Fermat's last theorem)

Theorem 4.9 For every  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\exists$  prime  $p_n$  st for all primes  $p \geq p_n$ ,  $x^n + y^n = z^n \pmod p$  has a non-trivial soln.

we've defined  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k)$

now we have  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k)$  - this is ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> smallest integer  $n$  st every colouring of the edges of  $K_n$  with the colours  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  contains a  $c_i$ -coloured copy of  $K_{s_i}$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq k$

Theorem 4.12  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k)$  is well defined.

Proof  $R(s_1, s_2, s_3) \leq R(s_1, R(s_2, s_3)) = N$

Take a  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  colouring of  $K_N$

Either have  $c_1$ -coloured  $K_{s_1}$  or have  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  coloured  $K_{R(s_2, s_3)}$  which contains a  $c_2$ -coloured  $K_{s_2}$  or a  $c_3$ -coloured  $K_{s_3}$

By the same argument  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k) \leq R(s_1, R(s_2, \dots, s_k))$  is well defined by induction.  $\square$

Theorem 4.10 For any  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\exists S(k)$  st for any  $k$ -colouring of the integers  $\{1, 2, \dots, S(k)\}$  we have  $x, y, z \in [S(k)]$

(Schröder) st  $x+y=z$  and  $c(x)=c(y)=c(z)$

If  $s_1 = s_2 = \dots = s_k$  then  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k) = R_k(s)$

Proof Given  $k$ , let  $N = R_k(3)$

(of thm 4.10)

Now suppose  $[N]$  are  $k$ -coloured with colour of  $x$  as  $c(x)$ .  $\swarrow$   $ij$ -edge ( $j-i$  at least one)

Define a  $k$ -colouring of the edges of  $K_N$  with  $V(K_N) = [N]$  by  $\hat{c}(ij) = c(j-i)$ ,  $j > i$

Since  $N = R_k(3)$ ,  $\exists i < j < k$  st  $\hat{c}(ij) = \hat{c}(ik) = \hat{c}(jk)$

$$\therefore \frac{c(j-i)}{y} = \frac{c(k-i)}{z} = \frac{c(k-j)}{x}$$

$$x = (k-j), y = (j-i), z = (k-i)$$

$$x+y = z \text{ and } c(x) = c(y) = c(z)$$

Hence define  $S(k) = R_k(3)$

$\square$



Lemma 4.11 If  $p$  is prime then  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  is cyclic

eg  $p=7$   
 $g=3$

$$\begin{array}{ll} 3^1 \equiv 3 & 3^4 \equiv 4 \\ 3^2 \equiv 2 & 3^5 \equiv 5 \\ 3^3 \equiv 6 & 3^6 \equiv 1 \end{array}$$

Proof  
(of Thm 4.9)

Let  $n \geq 1$  be given

Let  $p_n \geq S(n)+1$

Let  $p$  be a prime  $\geq S(n)$ , with generator  $g$

If  $1 \leq x \leq p-1$ , then  $x = g^{a_x n + b_x} \pmod p$

[~~where~~  $x = g^{c_x}$ ,  $c_x = a_x n + b_x$ ,  $0 \leq b_x \leq n-1$ ]

Call  $b_x$  the colour of  $x$

Note there are  $n$  different possible ~~values~~ colours

Since  $p-1 \geq S_n$ , we have coloured at least  $S(n)$  integers with  $n$  colours.

So by Schur's theorem,  $\exists x, y, z$  that all receive the same colour  $b$  and  $x+y=z$

$$x = g^{a_x n + b}, y = g^{a_y n + b}, z = g^{a_z n + b} \quad (x+y=z)$$

$$\text{Take } X = g^{a_x}$$

$$x+y = (g^{a_x n} + g^{a_y n}) g^b = g^{a_z n} g^b = z$$

$$Y = g^{a_y}$$

$$\text{then } X^n + Y^n = Z^n \pmod p$$

$$Z = g^{a_z}$$

□

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Theorem 4.8 There are no trivial integer solutions to  $x^n + y^n = z^n$  for  $n \geq 3$

Theorem 4.9 For every  $n \geq 1$   $\exists$  prime  $p_n$  st for all primes  $p \geq p_n$ ,  $x^n + y^n = z^n \pmod p$  has a non trivial soln.

$R(s_1, \dots, s_k)$ ;  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k)$  is smallest integer  $n$  st every colouring of the edges of  $K_n$  with the colours  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  contains a  $c_i$ -coloured copy of  $K_{s_i}$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq k$

Theorem 4.12  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k)$  is well defined.

Proof  $R(s_1, s_2, s_3) \leq R(s_1, R(s_2, s_3)) = N$

Take a  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  colouring of  $K_N$ . Either have  $c_1$ -coloured  $K_{s_1}$  or have  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  coloured  $K_{R(s_2, s_3)}$  which contains a  $c_2$ -coloured  $K_{s_2}$  or a  $c_3$ -coloured  $K_{s_3}$

By the same argument  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k) \leq R(s_1, R(s_2, \dots, s_k))$  is well defined by induction  $\square$

Theorem 4.10 (Schur) For any  $k \geq 1$   $\exists S(k)$  st for any  $k$ -colouring of the integers  $\{1, 2, \dots, S(k)\}$  we have  $x, y, z \in [S(k)]$  s.t.  $x+y=z$  and  $c(x) = c(y) = c(z)$

If  $s_1 = s_2 = \dots = s_k = s$  then  $R(s_1, \dots, s_k) = R_k(s)$

(Schur) Proof Given  $k$ , let  $N = R_k(3)$

Now suppose  $[N]$  are  $k$ -coloured with ~~distinct~~ colour of  $x$  is  $c(x)$   $j-i$  at least one.

Define a  $k$ -colouring of the edges of  $K_N$  with  $V(K_N) = [N]$  by  $\hat{c}(ij) = c(j-i)$ ,  $j > i$  edge

$x, y, z$  distinct vertices

Since  $N = R_k(3)$ ,  $\exists$  inj  $\hat{c}$  st  $\hat{c}(ij) = \hat{c}(ik) = \hat{c}(jk)$

$$\hat{c} \Rightarrow \frac{c(j-i)}{y} = \frac{c(k-i)}{z} = \frac{c(k-j)}{x}$$

$$x = kj, y = j-i, z = k-i$$
$$x + y = z \text{ and } c(x) = c(y) = c(z)$$

Hence define  $S(k) = R_k(3)$   $\square$

Lemma 4.11 If  $p$  is prime then  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  is cyclic

e.g.  $p=7, g=3$

$$\begin{matrix} 3^1 = 3 & 3^5 = 5 \\ 3^2 = 9 \equiv 2 & 3^6 = 1 \\ 3^3 = 6 & \\ 3^4 = 4 & \end{matrix}$$

Thm 4.9 Proof

Let  $n \geq 1$  be given

Let  $p_n \geq S(n+1)$  given by prev theorem. (4.10)

Let  $p$  be a prime  $\geq S(n)$ , with generator  $g$

If  $1 \leq x \leq p-1$ , then  $x = g^{a_x n + b_x} \pmod p$

[ $x = g^{a_x n + b_x}$ ,  $0 \leq b_x \leq n-1$ ]

(all  $b_x$  the colour of  $x$ . Note there are  $n$  different possible colours.)

Since  $p-1 \geq S(n)$ , we have coloured at least  $S(n)$  integers with  $n$  colours.

So by Schur's theorem,  $\exists x, y, z$  that all receive the same colour  $p$  and  $x+y=z$ .

$$x = g^{a_x n + b_x}, y = g^{a_y n + b_y}, z = g^{a_z n + b_z}$$

$$x+y=z$$

$$x+y = (g^{a_x n} + g^{a_y n}) g^b = g^{a_z n} g^b = z$$

$$\text{Take } X = g^{a_x n}$$

$$Y = g^{a_y n}$$

$$Z = g^{a_z n}$$

$$\text{then } X^n + Y^n = Z^n \pmod p \quad \square$$

lectures 25+26 were missed because of strike

26)  $A = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}([n])$

①  $\forall i \ 6 \nmid |A_i|$

②  $\forall i \neq j \ 6 \nmid |A_i \cap A_j|$

$\Rightarrow m \leq 2n$

①  $\Rightarrow \forall i$  either  $2 \nmid |A_i|$  or  $3 \nmid |A_i|$

②  $\Rightarrow \forall i \neq j \ 2 \nmid |A_i \cap A_j|$  and  $3 \nmid |A_i \cap A_j|$

lemma 3.10  
by theorem 3.11, for  $\geq \frac{m}{2}$  sets either  $2 \nmid |A_i|$  or  $3 \nmid |A_i|$

former case apply theorem

latter case, theorem holds for  $\mathbb{F}_3$

$R(3,5) \leq R(2,5) + R(3,4)$

$= 5 + 9 = 14$

$R(5,5) \leq R(4,5) + R(5,4)$

$= 2R(4,5)$  shown  $R(4,5) \leq 32$  here

$\leq 2(R(3,5) + R(4,4))$

$\leq 2(14 + 18) = 32 \times 2 = 64$

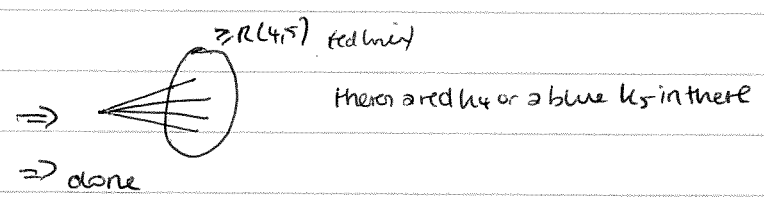
$R(5,5) \leq 63$

proof: take  $K_{63}$ , 2-colour edges

take  $v \in V(K_{63})$ ,  $d(v) = 62$

$d_R(v) + d_B(v) = 62$

either  $d_R(v) \geq 32$



or  $d_B(v) \geq 32$

$\forall v \in V(K_{63}), d_R(v) = d_B(v) = 31$

$31 \times 63 = \sum_{v \in V} d_R(v) = 2 \times \# \text{ red edges}$

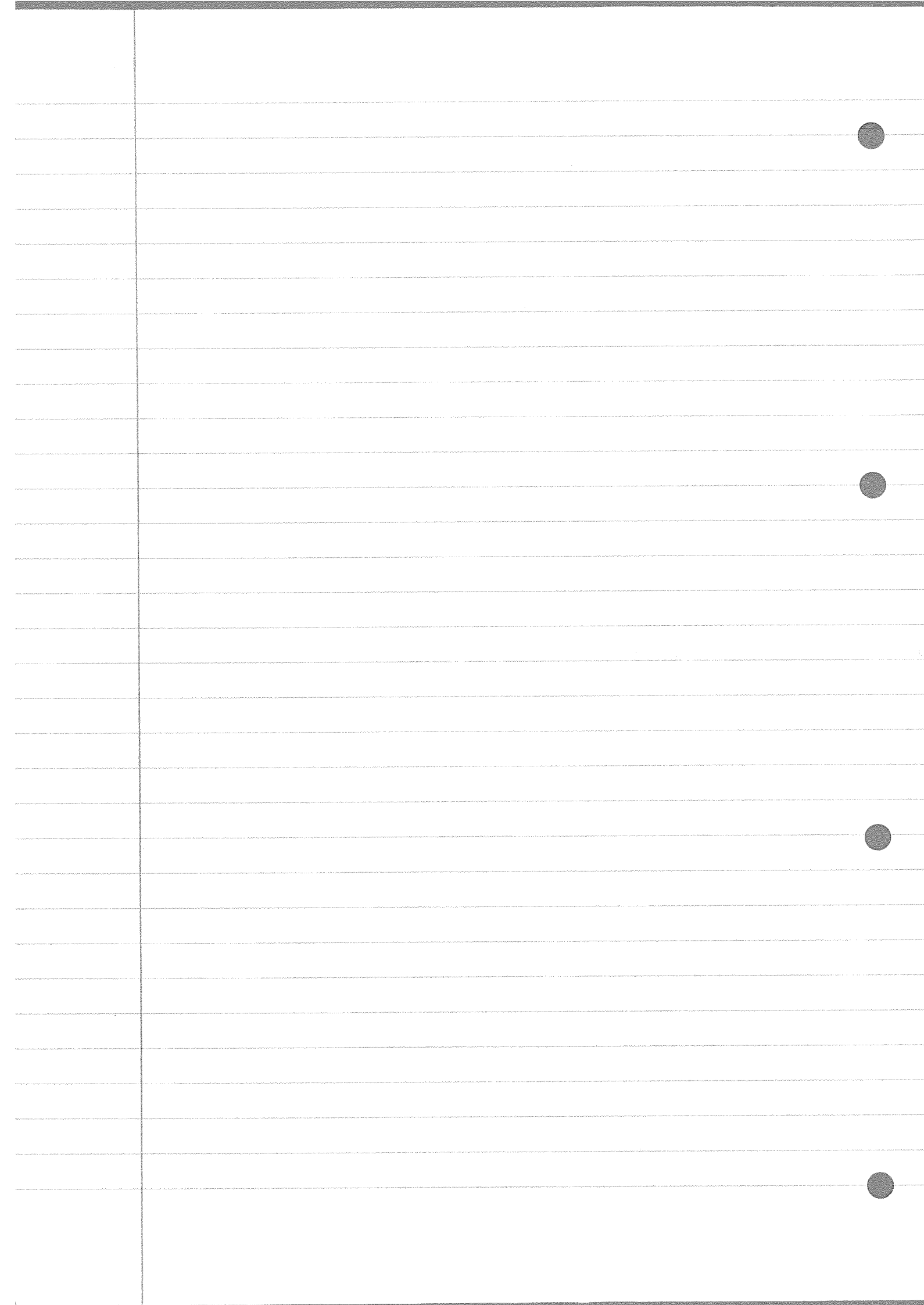
Red/Blue colour edges of  $K_n$ , either Red or Blue graph is connected.

Suppose red isn't connected

let  $V(K_n) = V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_t$

Decompose into red connected components so  $t \geq 2$

Blue graph contains  $K(V_1, \dots, V_t)$  - the complete  $t$ -partite graph with parts  $V_1, \dots, V_t$



①

Conjecture (Erdős-Turan)

If  $\{a_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$  diverges then  $\{a_n\}$  contains arbitrarily long arithmetic progression (AP's)

Theorem (Green-Tao 2004)

The primes contain arbitrarily long AP's. (24 is longest one found)

lead up  
up to Thm 4.13

Theorem (Szemerédi 1970's)

If  $\delta > 0, k \geq 1$  then  $\exists N_{\delta, k} \in \mathbb{N}$  st if  $A \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, N_{\delta, k}\}$  and  $|A| \geq \delta N_{\delta, k}$  then  $A$  contains a  $k$ -length AP

Thm 4.13 (Van der Waerden 1927)

If  $k, t \geq 1 \exists W(k, t)$  st if  $[W(k, t)]$  is  $k$ -coloured then there is a monochromatic arithmetic progression (MAP) of length  $t$

AP  $a, a+d, a+2d, \dots, a+(t-1)d$  is an AP length  $t$

Coloured  $[N]$  with  $k$ -colours then a MAP  $\equiv$  monochromatic AP  $\equiv$  AP with  $t$  elements same colour

$P_1 = \{1, 4, 7\}$  red  
 $P_2 = \{2, 8, 9\}$  blue  
 $P_3 = \{3, 6, 8\}$  blue

We say AP's  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r$  are focused st  $\forall f \in \mathbb{N}$  if the 'next' potential number of each  $P_i$  is  $f$



1 6 11 red  
13 14 15 blue  
4 8 12 black

eg

We say that AP's  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r$  are colour focused if each  $P_i$  is monochromatic, all the colours are different and they are focused.

Proof Induction on  $t$

$t=1: w(1, k) = 1$

Assume for  $t \geq 2, w(t-1, k)$  exists for  $2 \leq k \leq t$

Claim: For all  $1 \leq r \leq k \exists n_r(t, k)$  st if  $[n_r(t, k)]$  is  $k$ -coloured then either (A)  $\exists$  a MAP of length  $t$

Assume claim holds. let  $W(t, k) = 2n_k(t, k)$

(B)  $\exists$  colour-focused AP's of length  $t-1$

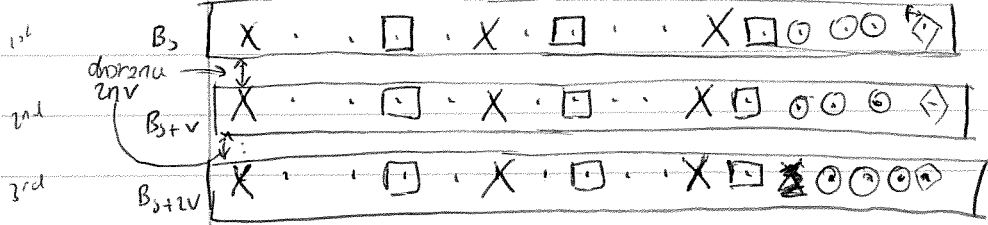
Now if we  $k$ -colour  $[W(t, k)]$ , well claim  $\Rightarrow [n_k(t, k)]$  contains either (A) MAP length  $t$

or (B) contains  $k$  colour focused AP's of length  $t-1; P_1, \dots, P_k$  with common focus  $f$ .

Now since wlog assume colour of  $P_i$  is colour  $i$ ,

then whichever  $P_i$  has the same colour as  $f$  can be extended (wlog  $f$ ) to give a MAP length  $t$ .

$\therefore w(t, k)$  is well-defined.



Shapes  
 X - black  
 □ - red  
 ○ - blue  
 ◇ - colorful  
 color dot green

} for proof

Proof of claim (Induction on r)

$n_1(t, k) = W(t-1, k)$  exist by ind hyp for  $t$

Now suppose  $2 \leq r \leq h$  and  $n_{r-1}(t, k)$  exist

let  $n = n_{r-1}(t, k)$

Set  $n_r(t, k) = W(t-1, k^{2n}) 2n$

So suppose  $k$ -colour  $[n_r(t, k)]$

$[n_r(t, k)] = B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots \cup B_{W(t-1, k^{2n})}$

each  $B_i$  is an interval of length  $2n$  eg  $B_1 = \{1, \dots, 2n\}$

~~$B_2 = \{2n+1, \dots, 4n\}$~~

How many different ways can a block ~~of size  $2n$~~  be coloured?  $(k^{2n})$

$2n$  size block  $k$  different ways of colouring each one

So by defn of  $W(t-1, k^{2n})$ ,  $\exists B_s, B_{s+1}, B_{s+2}, \dots, B_{s+(t-1)v}$  coloured identically

(now look at diagram above)

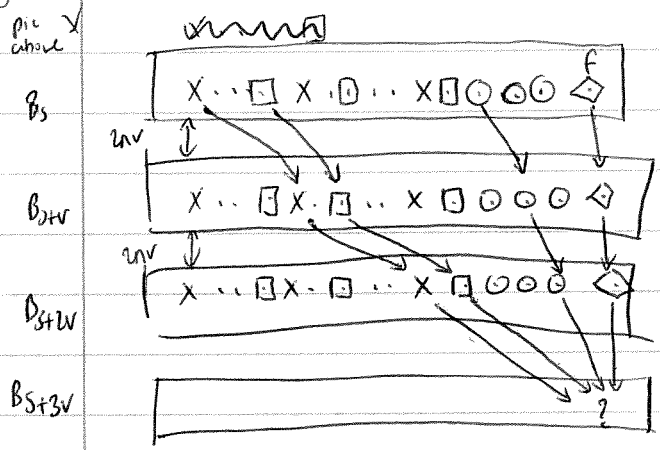
Now  $B_s$  has size  $2n = 2n_{r-1}(t, k)$

By defn of  $n_{r-1}(t, k)$ , this either contains MAP length  $t$  or  $\exists r-1$  colour focused APs length  $t-1$ .

if in 1<sup>st</sup> case we're done

$P_1, \dots, P_{r-1}$  with focus  $f$ ,  $P_i = \{a_i, a_i + d_i, \dots, a_i + (t-2)d_i\}$

finish proof by  
 smulating pic above



$P'_i = \{a_i, a_i + (d_i + 2nv), a_i + 2(d_i + 2nv), \dots, a_i + (t-2)(d_i + 2nv)\}$

$P'_1, \dots, P'_{r-1}$  are colour focused APs length  $t-1$  with focus  $f + (t-1)2nv$

Moreover  $P'_r = \{f, f + 2nv, f + 4nv, \dots, f + (t-2)2nv\}$  is another MAP length  $t-1$  and has 2 different colours

$P'_1, \dots, P'_{r-1}$  (otherwise we would already have MAP of length  $t$ ).  $\therefore$  Have  $r$  colour focused APs length  $t-1$