



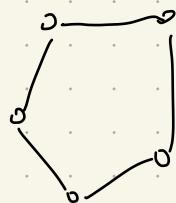
# Lecture 1



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- Graph  $(V, E)$

Vertices  $\uparrow$  edges (binary symm. on  $V$ )



5 vxs

5 edges



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- Basic graph families

. paths :

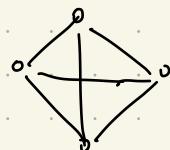
$P_9$

. cycle :

$C_8$

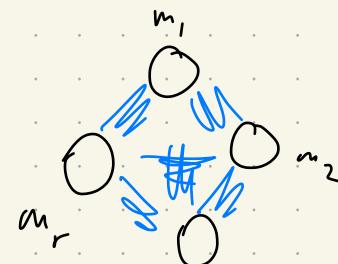
$P_k$  this  
is not vxs in path  
(order)

. complete graph  $K_t$



$t=4$

. complete multipartite graph  $K_{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r}$

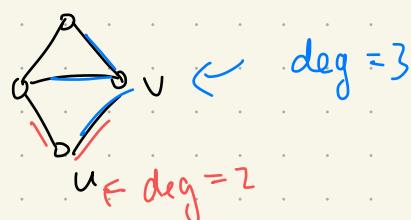


. r parts

. no edge in each part

. all edges between different parts

. degree of a vertex  $v$  :  $d(v) = \# \text{edges incident to } v$



Prop  $\forall G, 2e(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d(v)$

$\uparrow$

# edges in  $G$

- $\delta(G)$  min deg of  $G$
- $\Delta(G)$  max deg of  $G$

Def Subgraph containment

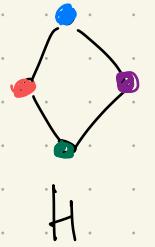
Given two graphs  $H$  &  $G$ , we say  $H$  is a subgraph

of  $G$ , denoted by  $H \subseteq G$ , if

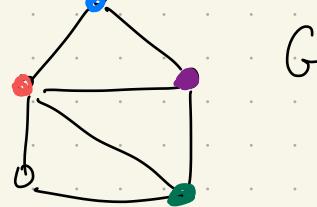
$\exists$  injective map  $\varphi : V(H) \rightarrow V(G)$  preserving adjacencies

i.e.  $\forall uv \in E(H) \Rightarrow \varphi(u)\varphi(v) \in E(G)$

Ex



$H$



$G$

If no such map :  $G$  is  $H$ -free

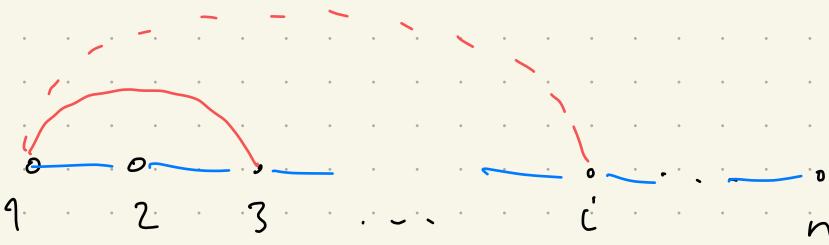
Prop  $\forall G$  w/ average deg  $d(G) = \frac{\sum_{v \in V(G)} d(v)}{|V(G)|}$

$d(G) \geq 2 \Rightarrow \exists \text{ cycle} \subseteq G$

Exer: Prove it  $\uparrow$

Exer Is this bound tight / optimal? (YES)

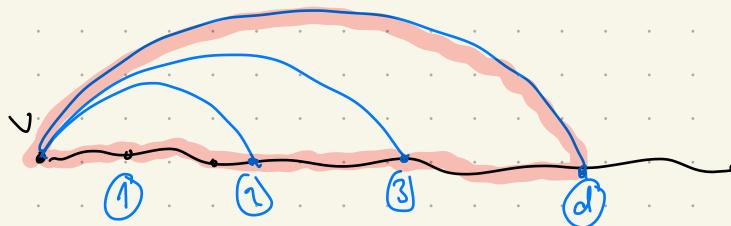
Rmk : We cannot say anything about this cycle  
(no control)



$$d(G) = 2 \Leftrightarrow e(G) = n = |V(G)|$$

Prop  $\forall G, \delta(G) \geq d \Rightarrow \exists$  cycle of length  $\geq d+1$  in  $G$

Pf : Take a longest path, say starting at some vertex  $v$



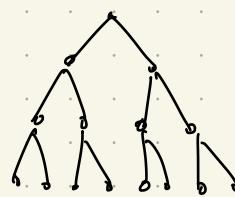
longest  $\Rightarrow N(v)$

$\nwarrow$  set of all neighbors of  $v$   $\Rightarrow$  desired cycle

Rmk Bound optimal: Consider  $G = K_{d+1}$

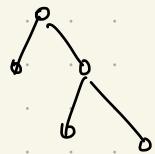
- (trees) A tree is a graph without any cycle (as a subgraph)  
acyclic

Ex.



Ex A tree on  $t$  vertices  $T$

$t=5$



$$\forall G \quad \delta(G) \geq t-1 \Rightarrow T \subseteq G$$

Rmk Optimal  $G = K_t$

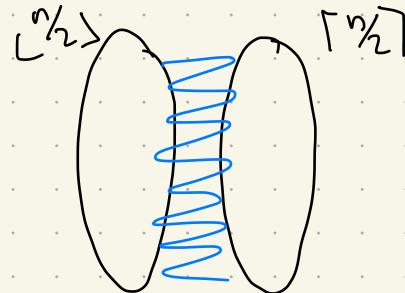
## Mantel's thm

Thm (Mantel)  $\forall G$

- $\Delta$ -free ( $K_3$ -free)
- $n$ -vertex

$$\Rightarrow e(G) \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \right\rfloor$$

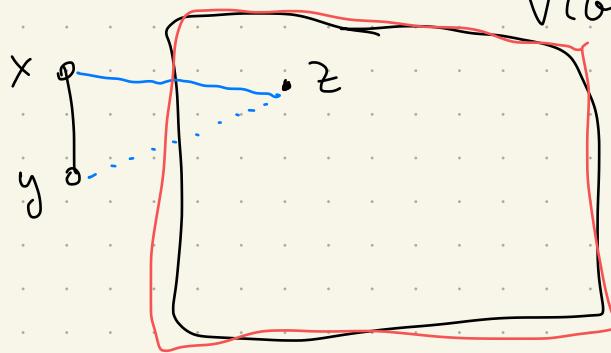
Rmk Optimal!



Pf 1 Induction on the number of vertices  $n$ .

• Base case : easy.

• Inductive step :



$$V(G) \setminus \{x, y\}$$

$\text{if } ux, z \neq x, y$

is adjacent to  $\leq 1$

vertex in  $\{x, y\}$

by  $\Delta$ -freeness

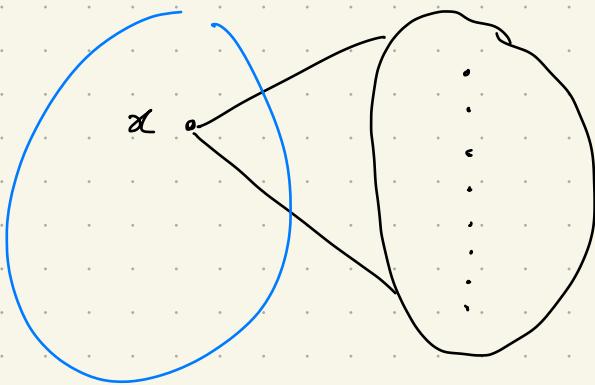
$$e(G) \leq 1 + n-2 + \left\lfloor \frac{(n-2)^2}{4} \right\rfloor \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \right\rfloor.$$

↑                      ↑                      X I.H.  
 xy edge          edges from  $V \setminus \{x, y\}$  to  $\{x, y\}$



Pf 2 ( $\max \deg v_x$ )

Consider a vertex of maximum deg  $d(v_x) = \Delta(G)$



$$Y = V \setminus X$$

- $\Delta$ -free

$X = N(v)$   $\Rightarrow$  no edge in  $X$

$\Rightarrow$  every edge in  $G$  is incident a vertex in  $Y$

$$\Rightarrow e(G) \leq \sum_{y \in Y} d(y) \leq |X| |Y| \leq \frac{(|X| + |Y|)^2}{2}$$

$\uparrow$   
 Choice of  $x$        $= \frac{n^2}{4}$



Ex 1 Prove that  $K_{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil, \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}$  is the unique maximizer (extremal graph).

# Sets

- Odd town even town problem

Setup : • A town of  $n$  ppl

$$\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\} =: [n]$$

• form into clubs  $C_1, C_2, \dots$

$$C_i \subseteq [n]$$

Need  $\forall$  distinct clubs  $C_i, C_j$

$$|C_i \cap C_j| \text{ even number}$$

Q1 If each club  $C_i$  admits even # ppl,

then max # clubs there can be?

A: We can have exponentially many even

Group ppl into pairs  $\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \dots, \{n-1, n\}$

$$\# \text{ pairs} = \frac{n}{2}$$

Clubs = all possible combinations of pairs

$$2^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

Q2 What if each club has odd size?

Try  $C_i = \{i\}$       # clubs = n

$$|C_i \cap C_j| = 0 \text{ even}$$

Thm  $\forall F \subseteq \underline{2^{[n]}}$  power set of  $[n]$  : family of all subsets of  $[n]$ .      # sets in  $F$

①  $\forall F \in F$ ,  $|F|$  odd

②  $\forall$  distinct  $F, F' \in F$        $\Rightarrow |F| \leq n$

$$|F \cap F'| \text{ even}$$

PF

Consider  $1_F$  for each  $F \in F$

$$n=5$$

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

$$F = \{2, 4, 5\}$$

$$1_F = (0, 1, 0, 1, 1)$$

①  $\Rightarrow \langle 1_F, 1_F \rangle = 1 \quad (\text{in } F_2)$

②  $\Rightarrow |F \cap F'| = \langle 1_F, 1_{F'} \rangle$

$$= 0 \quad (\text{in } F_2)$$

$\Rightarrow \{1_F : F \in F\}$  pairwise orthogonal

$$\subseteq F_2^n$$

$\Rightarrow |F| = |\{1_F : F \in F\}| \leq \dim F_2^n = n$



# Ramsey

Philosophy: No complete disorder

$\exists$  highly ordered substructure in any suff. large system.

blue / red

Consider two edge-coloring of complete graphs.

Goal: find large

monochromatic complete subgraphs

Def Ramsey number  $R(s, t) = \min n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  
 $s, t \in \mathbb{N}$

$\forall$  2 edge-coloring of  $K_n \Rightarrow \exists$  either a blue  $K_s$   
blue / red or a red  $K_t$

W<sub>m</sub>  $R(2, 3) = 3$

Lower bound: by construction

$$R(2, 3) > 2$$

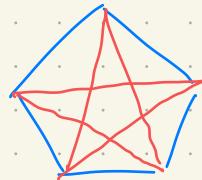


Upp bd

$$R(2, 3) \leq 3$$

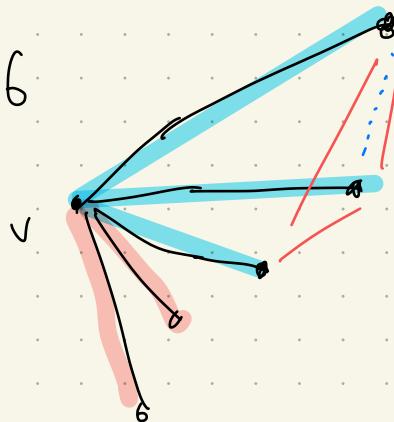


- $R(3,3) = 6$
- $R(3,3) > 5$



$$R(3,3) \leq 6$$

PF

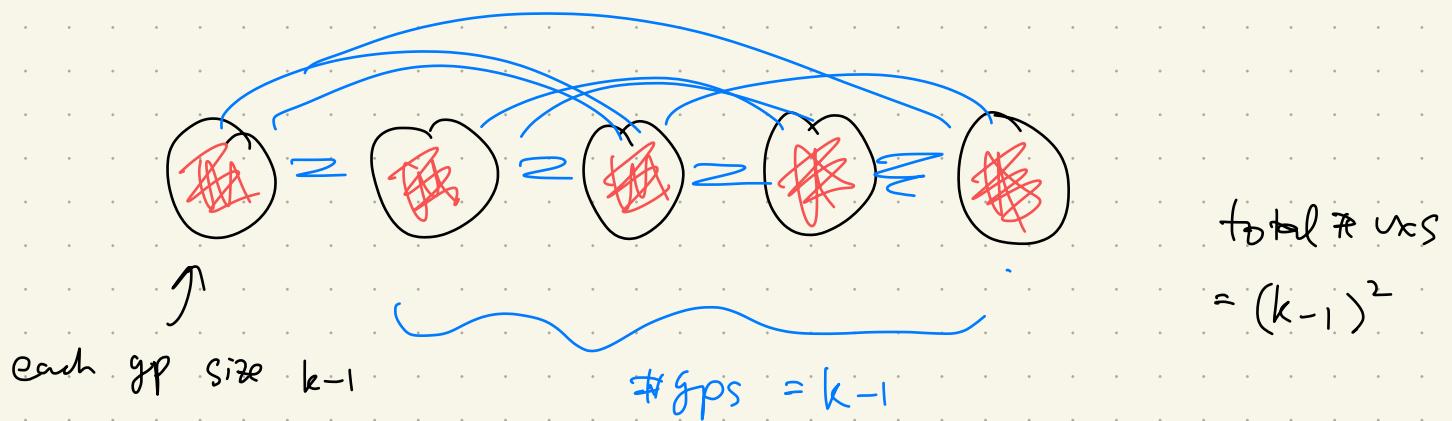


Pigeonhole  $\Rightarrow \geq 3$  edges  
Same color

Lower bound on

$R(k,k) > n$  : Need to find a 2-coloring of  
 $K_n$  w./ no red/blue  $K_k$ .

Ex  $R(k,k) > (k-1)^2$



- Use probabilistic method to prove lower bound on  $R(k,k)$

( Implicit construction )

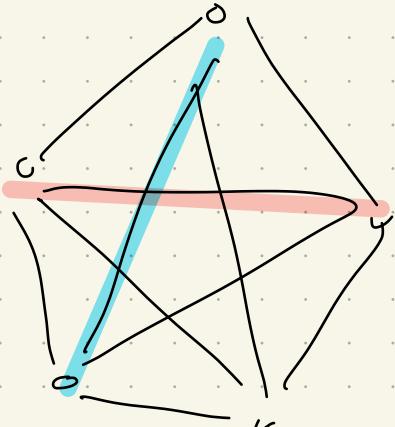
Thm (Erdős)  $R(k, k) > n = (1 + o(1)) \frac{k}{\sqrt{2}e} \cdot 2^{\frac{k(k-1)}{2}}$

Pf. Consider a random edge-coloring of  $K_n$

$\forall$  edge  $ij \in \binom{[n]}{2}$

$\xrightarrow{\text{all pairs in } [n]}$

Color  $ij \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{red} & \text{w./ prob } \frac{1}{2} \\ \text{blue} & \text{---} \end{array} \right.$



(independent of all other edges)

$\mathbb{E}$  # monochromatic  $K_k$

linearity of expectation

=

$\binom{n}{k} \cdot \Pr(\text{a fixed } k\text{-set is monochromatic})$

$$= \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\binom{k}{2}}$$

$\leq 1$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  a 'good' coloring

