

[RECAP]

Proof of RL (sketch)

arb. equipart'n $V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_{t_0}$ and refine

► "potential" of $V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_q$:

$$P(\{V_i\}) = q^{-2} \sum \sum d^2(V_i, V_j) \quad (\epsilon \in [0, 1])$$

$$[d(V_i, V_i) := 0 \text{ (irrelevant)}]$$

MAIN:

if # irreg pairs $> \epsilon \binom{q}{2}$, can refine so

(a) $q \leftarrow q/4$

(b) P increases by $> \epsilon^5$

→ # steps $< \epsilon^{-5}$

→ ϵ -reg. part'n \bar{w} $t \approx \underbrace{4^4 \dots 4^{t_0}}_{T} \left. \vphantom{4^4 \dots 4^{t_0}} \right\} \epsilon^{-5}$ (B)

ridiculous! (?) ... NO (!)

• Gowers '97: l.b. $\approx 2^{2^{\dots 2}} \left. \vphantom{2^{2^{\dots 2}}} \right\} \epsilon^{-1/16}$

• Conlon-Fox '12: ϵ^{-1}

• Fox-Lovász '17: $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-2})$ is the truth

L 28 (and a bit more)

"Pf" of MAIN

I. Gen'l $V_i = \bigcup_{k=1}^s V_{ik}$, $V_j = \bigcup_{l=1}^s V_{jl}$ equipartitions
 k, l unif $\in [s]$ (indep), $Z = d(V_{ik}, V_{jl})$ } \rightarrow

$$\textcircled{1} \mathbb{E} Z = s^{-2} \sum_k \sum_l d(V_{ik}, V_{jl}) \stackrel{!}{=} \underbrace{d(V_i, V_j)}_d$$

[law of t. P: u unif $\in V_i$
 v unif $\in V_j$] (indep) \rightarrow

$$d = \mathbb{P}(u \sim v) = \sum_k \sum_l \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(k, l)}_{s^{-2}} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(u \sim v | k, l)}_{d(V_{ik}, V_{jl})}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \mathbb{E} Z^2 = s^{-2} \sum_k \sum_l d^2(V_{ik}, V_{jl}) \geq d^2(V_i, V_j)$$

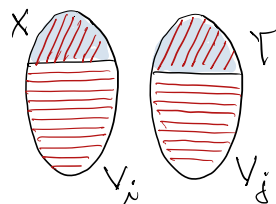
refinement doesn't decr. P

II. (V_i, V_j) irreg w "witness" (x, γ)

$[x \in V_i, \gamma \in V_j; |x|, |\gamma| \geq \epsilon |V_i|, d(x, \gamma) \neq d \pm \epsilon]$

$\{V_{ik}\}, \{V_{jl}\}$ as above refining $(x, V_i \setminus X), (\gamma, V_j \setminus \gamma)$

s TBA (will be large)



\Rightarrow Claim $s^{-2} \sum \sum d^2(V_{ik}, V_{j\ell}) \geq d^2(V_i, V_j) + \varepsilon^4$
 i.e. $\text{Var } Z \geq \varepsilon^4$

Pf $\text{Var } Z = \mathbb{E}(Z-d)^2$

$$= \mathbb{P}(X, \mathcal{T}) \mathbb{E}[(Z-d)^2 | X, \mathcal{T}] + \underbrace{(1 - \mathbb{P}(X, \mathcal{T})) \mathbb{E}[\dots]}_{\geq 0}$$

$\rightarrow V_{ik} \in X, V_{j\ell} \in \mathcal{T}$

$$\geq \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(X, \mathcal{T})}_{\geq \varepsilon^2} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}^2[|Z-d| | X, \mathcal{T}]}_{\geq |\mathbb{E}[Z-d | X, \mathcal{T}]|^2} = |d(X, \mathcal{T}) - d|^2 > \varepsilon^2 \quad \square$$

III. $\forall i \neq j: (V_i, V_j)$ irreg $\rightarrow (X_{ij}, X_{ji})$ "witness"
 (V_i, V_j) reg. $\rightarrow X_{ij} = V_i$

$\forall i: \{X_{ij} : i \neq j \in [q]\} \rightarrow \text{B.A. } \bar{w} \leq 2^q$ atoms
 $\bigcap_{j \in I} X_{ij} \cap \bigcap_{j \notin I} (V_i \setminus X_{ij})$

$\rightarrow s = 4^q$ (say); $\{V_{ik}\}_{k=1}^s$ equipart'n of V_i
 refining $(X_{ij}, V_i \setminus X_{ij}) \forall j \neq i$ (more or less)

\rightarrow potential gain:

$$q^{-2} \sum_i \sum_j \left[s^{-2} \sum \sum d^2(V_{ik}, V_{j\ell}) - d^2(V_i, V_j) \right]$$

$$[\dots] \geq \begin{cases} \varepsilon^4 & \text{if } (V_i, V_j) \text{ irreg} \\ 0 & \text{---} \end{cases}$$

\square

[1st appl:] $|V(G)| = n, \tau(G) = \# \text{ of } \Delta \text{'s in } G$

▶ Triangle removal Lemma (Ruzsa-Szemerédi '78)

$\tau(G) = o(n^2) \Rightarrow G$ $o(n^2)$ -close to Δ -free
↳ i.e.

[can be made Δ -free by removing $o(n^2)$ edges
 \equiv can cover Δ 's w $o(n^2)$ edges]

equiv: $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$\tau(G) < \delta n^2 \Rightarrow G$ (εn^2) -close to Δ -free

▶ This is not obvious; e.g.:

① why not: $\Omega(n^2)$ edges, each in δn Δ 's \rightarrow
 $\Omega(\delta n^3)$ Δ 's $\rightarrow \Omega(n^2)$ edges to cover ?

② how large can we make δ ($= \delta_\varepsilon$)?

• orig. pf (via RL): $\delta^{-1} \approx 2^{2^{\dots^2}} \} \varepsilon^{-c}$

▶ Fox '11: $\delta^{-1} \approx 2^{2^{\dots^2}} \} \log \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ (Ann. Math.)

... NS. upper bd: Behrend '46: $\delta < \varepsilon^{c \log(1/\varepsilon)}$ (!)
↳ $r_3(N)$ (mentioned earlier)

[also: Graph RL (Erdős-Frankl-Rödl '86)

ref: Conlon-Fox: Graph removal lemmas]

Proof (ε given)

- δ TBA; assume $\chi(G) < \delta n^3$
- RL $\rightarrow V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_t$ α -reg. part'n ($\alpha \because \varepsilon$ is taken)
 α TBA; $\tau_\alpha = \alpha^{-1}$ (unimp., convenient)
- define regularity graph $H: V(H) = [t]$
 $i \sim_H j \iff (V_i, V_j)$ reg, density $> d$ TBA

MP: H is Δ -free

why? [think first, then see below]

[MP: H is Δ -free (why?)]

PLAN:

▶ Counting Lemma →

H Δ -free (or too many Δ 's in G)

→ can just delete edges in $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_i \text{'s} \\ (V_i, V_j) \text{'s } ij \notin H \end{array} \right\}$

DETAILS: $d = \varepsilon \gg \alpha$ — minor

$$\alpha^{-1} = t_0 \leq t \leq T = T(\alpha, t_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta n^3 &> \overset{\text{given}}{\downarrow} \tau(G) \stackrel{\text{CL}}{\approx} \tau(H) \cdot d^3 \left(\frac{n}{T}\right)^3 \\ &= \tau(H) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{T}\right)^3 n^3 \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow$$

Now choosing $\delta = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d}{T}\right)^3$ (tiny ∵ T from RL)

makes H Δ -free →

$$\# \text{ of deletions (at } \otimes) < \frac{1}{t} \binom{n}{2} + \alpha \binom{n}{2} + \varepsilon \binom{n}{2} < \varepsilon n^2$$

edges in → V_i 's irreg. pairs low density pairs



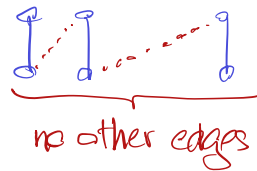
applications of TRL (still R-Sz)

ref: Tao-Vu

[orig. motivation for TRL was hypergraphic
 ("G₃ problem" of Brown-Erdős-Sós), RUT:]

Cor 1 G (on n) \cup of $O(n)$ induced matchings

$\implies e_G = o(n^2)$

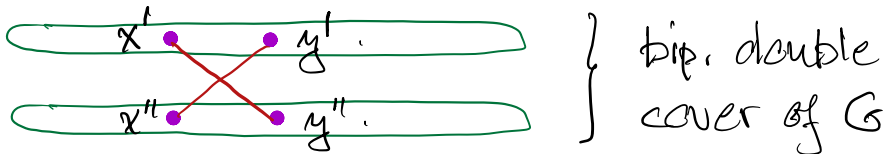


Cor 2 $r_3(n) = o(n)$ (! & unexpected by R-Sz)

$P(G) := \#$ of edges to cover Δ 's

Pf of Cor 1:

$G = M_1 \cup \dots \cup M_t$ { M_i 's disjoint I.M.'s
{ $t = O(n)$ \rightarrow WMA



$v_i \sim$ copies of vertices used in M_i

$\{\Delta$'s of $G^*\} = \{v_i x' y'' : xy \in M_i\}$

▶ Δ 's are edge-disjoint

$$\longrightarrow \chi(G^*) = 2e_G < n^2 \ll n^3$$

$$\stackrel{\text{TRL}}{\implies} \rho(G^*) \ll n^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \square$$

$$[\Delta\text{'s e-d} \implies \rho(G^*) = \chi(G^*) (=2e_G)]$$

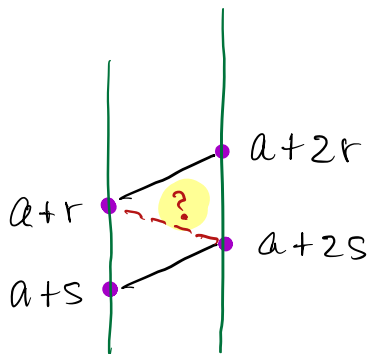
(where did we use $t = O(n)$?)

Pf of Cor 2: $A \subseteq [n]$ no 3-t. AP

bigraph G on $[2n] \cup [3n]$:

$$a+r \sim a+2r \quad \forall a \in [n], r \in A$$

▶ OBS: $\{(a+r, a+2r) : r \in A\}$ I.M. ($\forall a \in [n]$)



Pf Else \exists

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a+r = c+t \\ a+2s = c+2t \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} r, s, t \in A \\ c \in [n] \end{array}$$

$$\longrightarrow r+t = 2s \quad (\text{A.P.}) \quad \square$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Cor 1}}{\implies} e_G = o(n^2)$$

$$(\text{but } e_G = n|A|) \quad \square$$