

Large bipartite subgraph

Every graph with e edges contains bipartite subgraph with at least $\frac{1}{2}e$ edges.

Proof: expected value.

Diagonal Ramsey lower bound (Erdős, 1947)

For any integer k and n if $\binom{n}{k} 2^{1-\binom{k}{2}} < 1$, then any edge coloring of K_n contains monochromatic K_k .

Hence $R(k, k) > n - \binom{n}{k} 2^{1-\binom{k}{2}} \approx \left(\frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{2}}} + o(1)\right) k 2^{\frac{k}{2}}$

Proof: By Union-Bound such coloring exists.

There exists a coloring with at most $\binom{n}{k} 2^{1-\binom{k}{2}}$ monochromatic K_k , hence there is a graph with at least $n - \binom{n}{k} 2^{1-\binom{k}{2}}$ vertices without monochromatic K_k .

Dependency graph

Set of events A_1, \dots, A_n in probability space.

Graph on $[n]$ is dependency graph if A_i is independent of events indexed by $[n] \setminus N(i)$.

Lovász Local Lemma (symmetric)

Let A_i be a family of events s.t. $\mathbb{P}[A_i] \leq p$ and each of them is dependent on at most d others.

If $p(d+1)e \leq 1$ then there exist an event that none of these events occur.

$R(k, k)$ lower bound (Spencer, 1977)

If $\left(\binom{k}{2} \binom{n}{k-2} + 1\right) 2^{1-\binom{k}{2}} e \leq 1$ then there exists monochromatic K_k -free graph on n vertices.

In particular: $R(k, k) > \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{e} + o(1)\right) k 2^{\frac{k}{2}}$

Proof: LLL-events are dependent if they share an edge.

Lovász Local Lemma (Erdős-Lovász, 1975)

Let B_1, \dots, B_n be family of bad events.

If there exist real numbers x_1, \dots, x_n s.t.

$$\mathbb{P}[B_i] \leq x_i \prod_{j \in N(i)} (1 - x_j) \quad \forall i \in [n]$$

Then the event avoiding all bad events has probability at least $\prod (1 - x_i)$

Proof: We will show by induction that for each $S \subseteq [n]$:

$$\mathbb{P}[B_i \mid \bigcap_{j \in S} \bar{B}_j] \leq x_i \quad \text{if } i \notin S$$

We proceed by induction on $|S|$. $|S|=0$ is trivial.

$$S_1 := S \cap N(i), \quad S_2 := S \setminus S_1$$

$$\mathbb{P}[B_i \mid \bigcap_{j \in S} \bar{B}_j] = \frac{\mathbb{P}[B_i \cap \bigcap_{j \in S_1} \bar{B}_j \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j]}{\mathbb{P}[\bigcap_{j \in S_1} \bar{B}_j \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j]} = \frac{\mathbb{P}[B_i \cap \bigcap_{j \in S_1} \bar{B}_j \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j]}{\mathbb{P}[\bigcap_{j \in S_1} \bar{B}_j \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j]}$$

$$\mathbb{P}[B_i \cap \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j] \leq \mathbb{P}[B_i \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j] = \mathbb{P}[B_i] \leq x_i \prod_{j \in N(i)} (1 - x_j)$$

$$\mathbb{P}[\bigcap_{j \in S_1} \bar{B}_j \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j] = \mathbb{P}[\bar{B}_{j_1} \mid \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j] \cdot \mathbb{P}[\bar{B}_{j_2} \mid B_{j_1} \cap \bigcap_{j \in S_2} \bar{B}_j] \dots$$

$$\geq (1 - x_1)(1 - x_2) \dots (1 - x_{|S_1|}) \geq \prod_{j \in N(i)} (1 - x_j)$$

$$\text{Hence } \mathbb{P}[\prod \bar{B}_i] = \mathbb{P}[\bar{B}_1] \cdot \mathbb{P}[\bar{B}_2 \mid \bar{B}_1] \dots \leq \prod (1 - x_i).$$