SOME VC-DENSITY COMPUTATIONS IN SHELAH-SPENCER GRAPHS

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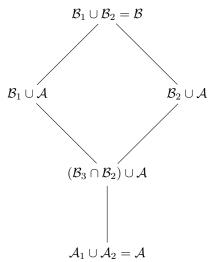
ABSTRACT. We compute vc-densities of minimal extension formulas in Shelah-Spencer random graphs.

We fix the density of the graph α .

Lemma 0.1. For any $A \in K_{\alpha}$ and $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an \mathcal{B} such that (A, \mathcal{B}) is minimal and $\delta(\mathcal{B}/A) < \epsilon$.

Proof. Let m be an integer such that $m\alpha < 1 < (m+1)\alpha$. Suppose \mathcal{A} has less than m+1 vertices. Make a construction $\mathcal{A}_0 = \mathcal{A}$ and \mathcal{A}_{i+1} is \mathcal{A}_i with one extra vertex connected to every single vertex of A_i . Stop when the total number of vertices is m+1. Proceed as in [1] 4.1. Resulting construction is still minimal.

Lemma 0.2. Let $A_1 \subset \mathcal{B}_1$ and $A_2 \subset \mathcal{B}_2$ be K_α structures with (A_2, \mathcal{B}_2) a minimal pair. Let M be some ambient structure. Fix embeddings of A_1, \mathcal{B}_1, A_2 into M. Consider an embedding $f: \mathcal{B}_2 \to M$ over A_1 . Let $A = A_1 \cup A_2$ and $\mathcal{B}_f = \mathcal{B}_1 \cup f(\mathcal{B}_2)$ with $\delta_f = \delta(\mathcal{B}_f/A)$. Then δ_f is maximum when $f(B_2)$ is disjoint from \mathcal{B}_1 over A.



Let $\phi(x,y)$ be a formula in a random graph with |x|=|y|=1 saying that there exists a minimal extension M over $\{x,y\}$ of relative dimension ϵ . Let n be such that $n\epsilon < 1 < (n+1)\epsilon$. Then we argue that $vc(\phi) = n$.

Fix a m-strong (for any m > |M|) set of non-connected vertices B. Fix some a. We investigate the trace of $\phi(x,a)$ on B. Suppose we have b_1, \ldots, b_k satisfying $\phi(b_i,a)$ as witnessed by M_j . Relative dimension of $M_1 \cup M_2 \cup \ldots \cup M_j \cup a$ is

minimized when all M_j are disjoint (by minimality). Thus for that dimension to be positive we can have at most n extensions.

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