

A step towards a general density Corrádi–Hajnal Theorem

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r -graph: A collection of r -subsets of some finite set V .

We identify an r -graph \mathcal{H} with its **edge set** and use $V(\mathcal{H})$ to denote its **vertex set**. The **size** of $V(\mathcal{H})$ is denoted by $v(\mathcal{H})$.

Given two r -graphs F and \mathcal{H} we use $v(F, \mathcal{H})$ to denote the maximum of $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that there exist k vertex-disjoint copies of F in \mathcal{H} . We call $v(F, \mathcal{H})$ the **F -matching number** of \mathcal{H} .

Turán problem

Fix an r -graph F , we say another r -graph \mathcal{H} is **F -free** if $v(F, \mathcal{H}) = 0$.

- **Turán number** $\text{ex}(n, F)$: the maximum number of edges in an F -free r -graph on n vertices
- $\text{EX}(n, F)$: the collection of all n -vertex F -free r -graphs with exactly $\text{ex}(n, F)$ edges
- **Turán density** $\pi(F)$:

$$\pi(F) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{ex}(n, F)}{\binom{n}{r}}$$

An r -graph F is called **nondegenerate** if $\pi(F) > 0$.

Problem 1

Given an r -graph F and integers $n, t \in \mathbb{N}$:

What kinds of constraints on an n -vertex r -graph \mathcal{H} force it to satisfy $v(F, \mathcal{H}) \geq t+1$?

Theorem 2 (Erdős–Gallai Theorem, 1959)

For all integers $n, t \in \mathbb{N}$ with $t+1 \leq n/2$ and for every n -vertex graph G ,

$$|G| > \max \left\{ \binom{2t+1}{2}, \binom{n}{2} - \binom{n-t}{2} \right\} \Rightarrow v(G) \geq t+1.$$

Conjecture 3 (Erdős, 1965)

Suppose that $n, t, r \in \mathbb{N}$ satisfy $r \geq 3$ and $t+1 \leq n/r$. Then for every n -vertex r -graph \mathcal{H} ,

$$|\mathcal{H}| > \max \left\{ \binom{r(t+1)-1}{r}, \binom{n}{r} - \binom{n-t}{r} \right\} \Rightarrow v(\mathcal{H}) \geq t+1.$$

Theorem 4 (Corrádi–Hajnal 1963)

Suppose that $n, t \in \mathbb{N}$ are integers with $t \leq n/3$. Then for every n -vertex graph G ,

$$\delta(G) \geq t + \left\lfloor \frac{n-t}{2} \right\rfloor \Rightarrow v(K_3, G) \geq t.$$

In particular, if $3 \mid n$, then every n -vertex graph G with $\delta(G) \geq 2n/3$ contains a K_3 -factor.

Theorem 5 (Hajnal–Szemerédi Theorem, 1970)

For all integers $n \geq \ell \geq 2$, $t \leq \lfloor n/(\ell+1) \rfloor$, and for every n -vertex graph G ,

$$\delta(G) \geq t + \left\lfloor \frac{\ell-1}{\ell} (n-t) \right\rfloor \Rightarrow v(K_{\ell+1}, G) \geq t.$$

Given two r -graphs \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{H} whose vertex sets are disjoint.

we define the **join** $\mathcal{G} \boxtimes \mathcal{H}$ of \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{H} to be the r -graph obtained from $\mathcal{G} \sqcup \mathcal{H}$ (the vertex-disjoint union of \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{H}) by adding all r -sets that have nonempty intersection with both $V(\mathcal{G})$ and $V(\mathcal{H})$.

For a family \mathcal{F} of r -graphs, $\mathcal{H} \boxtimes \mathcal{F} := \{\mathcal{H} \boxtimes \mathcal{G} : \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}\}.$

Theorem 6 (Erdős, 1962)

Suppose that $n, t \in \mathbb{N}$ and $t \leq \sqrt{n/400}$. Then

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)K_3) = \{K_t \boxtimes T(n-t, 2)\}.$$

Theorem 7 (Moon, 1968)

Suppose that integers $n, t, \ell \in \mathbb{N}$ satisfy $\ell \geq 2$, $t \leq \frac{2n-3\ell^2+2\ell}{\ell^3+2\ell^2+\ell+1}$, and $\ell \mid (n-t)$. Then

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)K_{\ell+1}) = \{K_t \boxtimes T(n-t, \ell)\}.$$

Definition 8 (Boundedness)

Let $f_1, f_2: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two nonnegative functions. An r -graph F is (f_1, f_2) -bounded if every F -free r -graph \mathcal{H} on n vertices with

$$d(\mathcal{H}) \geq \frac{r \cdot \text{ex}(n, F)}{n} - f_1(n) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta(\mathcal{H}) \leq \frac{r \cdot \text{ex}(n, F)}{n} + f_2(n).$$

Definition 9 (Smoothness)

Let $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a nonnegative function. The Turán function $\text{ex}(n, F)$ of an r -graph F is g -smooth if

$$\left| \text{ex}(n, F) - \text{ex}(n-1, F) - \frac{r \cdot \text{ex}(n-1, F)}{n-1} \right| \leq g(n) \quad \text{holds for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Theorem 10

Fix integers $m \geq r \geq 2$ and a nondegenerate r -graph F on m vertices. Suppose that there exists a constant $c > 0$ such that for all sufficiently large $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

- (1) F is $\left(c \binom{n}{r-1}, \frac{1-\pi(F)}{4m} \binom{n}{r-1}\right)$ -bounded, and
- (2) $\text{ex}(n, F)$ is $\frac{1-\pi(F)}{8m} \binom{n}{r-1}$ -smooth.

Then there exists N_0 such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \leq \min \left\{ \frac{c}{4erm} n, \frac{1-\pi(F)}{64rm^2} n \right\}$, we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)F) = K_t^r \boxtimes \text{EX}(n-t, F),$$

and, in particular,

$$\text{ex}(n, (t+1)F) = \binom{n}{r} - \binom{n-t}{r} + \text{ex}(n-t, F).$$

Theorem 11

Suppose that F is an edge-critical graph with $\chi(F) \geq 3$. Then there exist constants N_0 and $c_F > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, c_F n]$ we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)F) = \{K_t \boxtimes T(n-t, \chi(F)-1)\}.$$

Theorem 12

There exist constants N_0 and $c_{\mathbb{F}} > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, c_{\mathbb{F}}n]$ we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)\mathbb{F}) = \left\{ K_t^3 \boxtimes B_3(n-t) \right\}.$$

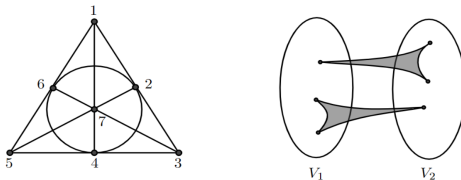


Figure: The Fano plane and the complete bipartite 3-graph $B_3(n)$.

Theorem 13

There exist constants N_0 and c_{T_3} such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, c_{T_3}n]$ we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)T_3) = \left\{ K_t^3 \boxtimes T_3(n-t, 3) \right\}.$$

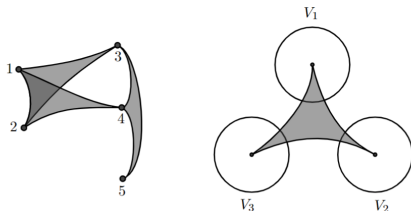


Figure: The generalized triangle T_3 and the Turán 3-graph $T_3(n, 3)$.

Theorem 14

Fix integers $\ell \geq r \geq 2$. There exist constants N_0 and $c = c(\ell, r) > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, cn]$ we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)H_{\ell+1}^r) = \{K_t^r \boxtimes T_r(n-t, \ell)\}.$$

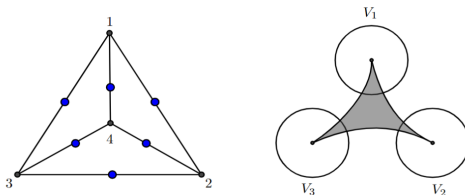


Figure: The expansion H_4^3 of K_4 and the Turán 3-graph $T_3(n, 3)$.

Theorem 15

For every integer $r \geq 2$ there exist constants N_0 and $c > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, cn]$, we have

$$\text{EX} \left(n, (t+1) \mathcal{C}_3^{2r} \right) \subset K_t^{2r} \boxtimes \left\{ B_{2r}^{\text{odd}}(n-t, m) : m \in \left[0, \sqrt{2r(n-t)} \right] \right\}.$$

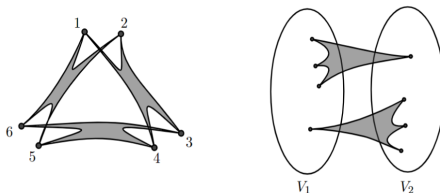


Figure: The 4-graph \mathcal{C}_3^4 (expanded triangle) and the 4-graph $B_4^{\text{odd}}(n)$.

Theorem 16

There exist constants N_0 and $c > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, cn]$, we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)F_7) = \left\{ K_t^4 \boxtimes B_4^{\text{even}}(n-t) \right\}.$$

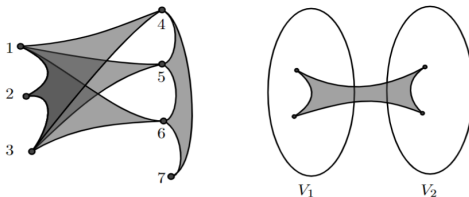


Figure: The 4-graph F_7 (4-book with 3 pages) and the 4-graph $B_4^{\text{even}}(n)$.

Theorem 17

There exist constants N_0 and $c > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, cn]$, we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)\mathbb{F}_{4,3}) \subset K_t^4 \boxtimes \left\{ B_4^{\text{odd}}(n-t, m) : m \in [0, \sqrt{4(n-t)}] \right\}.$$

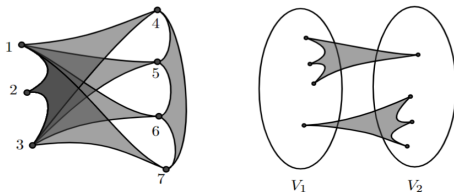


Figure: The 4-graph $\mathbb{F}_{4,3}$ and the 4-graph $B_4^{\text{odd}}(n)$.

Theorem 18

There exist constants N_0 and $c > 0$ such that for all integers $n \geq N_0$ and $t \in [0, cn]$, we have

$$\text{EX}(n, (t+1)\mathbb{F}_{3,2}) = \{K_t^r \boxtimes S_3(n-t)\}.$$

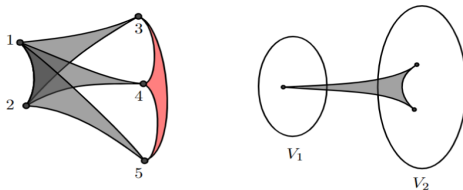


Figure: The 3-graph $\mathbb{F}_{3,2}$ and the semibipartite 3-graph $S_3(n)$.

Problem 19

Let $r \geq 2$ be an integer and F be a nondegenerate r -graph with m vertices. For large n determine $\text{ex}(n, (t+1)F)$ for all $t \leq n/m$.

Problem 20

Let $r \geq 2$ be an integer and F be an r -graph with m vertices. For large n determine the maximum value of $s(n, F)$ such that

$$\text{ex}(n, (t+1)F) = \binom{n}{r} - \binom{n-t}{r} + \text{ex}(n-t, F)$$

holds for all $t \in [0, s(n, F)]$.