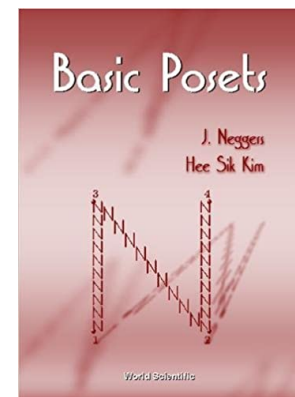
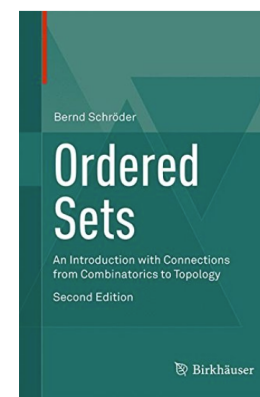
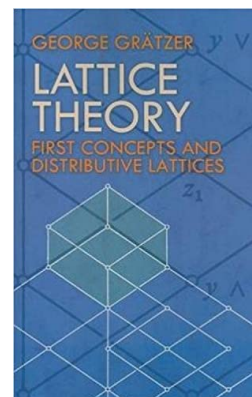
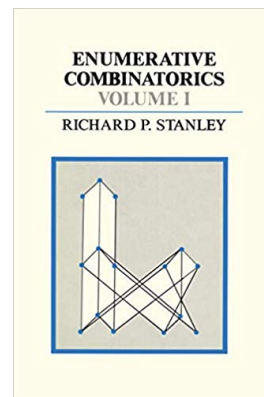
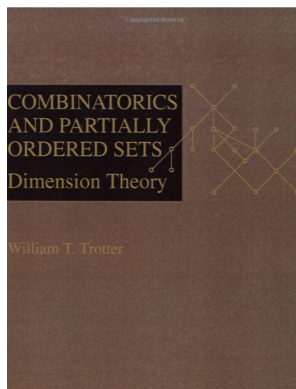


Combinatorial Theory (Math 206A)

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Zoom Lecture 1 (Oct 2, 2020)



What this class is about?

Assorted recent and classical results on *combinatorics of posets*.

Special emphasis on counting *linear extensions*.

Examples of subjects:

- Chain and antichain decomposition, Dilworth's theorem, applications to graph theory
- LYM and Sperner properties, Greene—Kleitman theorem, Bollobás's theorem
- Linear extensions, lower and upper bounds, Young tableaux, Stanley's P-partition theory
- Two poset polytopes, geometric inequalities, log-concavity properties
- $1/3$ – $2/3$ conjecture and variations, Linial and Kahn–Sacks theorems
- $1/3$ – $2/3$ conjecture for skew Young diagrams via [Olson–Sagan] and [Chan–P.–Panova]
- Random linear order, different models and analysis, after [Brightwell]
- Complexity of counting linear extensions, positive and negative results, after [Felsner–Manneville], [Brightwell–Winkler], [Dittmer–P.]
- FKG inequality, probabilistic applications to percolation
- Coupling from the past on posets, after [Propp–Wilson]

Chains & Anti-chains

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Def: $\mathcal{P} = (X, \preceq)$, $X \leftarrow$ finite set
 $\preceq \leftarrow$ partial order

poset = partially ordered set

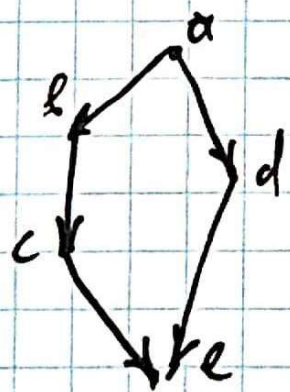
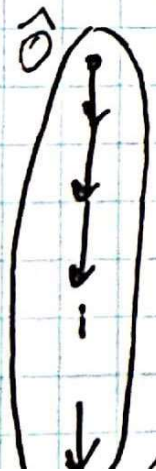
$$x \preceq y, y \preceq z \Rightarrow x \preceq z \quad \forall x, y, z \in X$$

Notation: $x \preceq x \quad \forall x \in X$

$\hat{0} \leftarrow$ global min $\hat{0} \preceq x \quad \forall x$

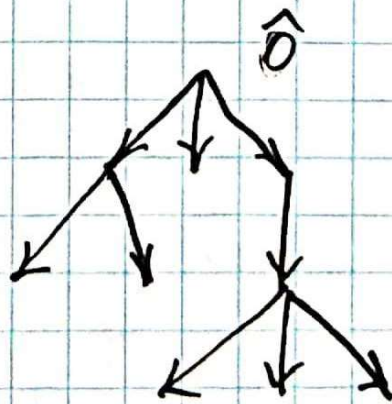
$\hat{1} \leftarrow$ global max $\hat{1} \succeq x \quad \forall x$

Examples:



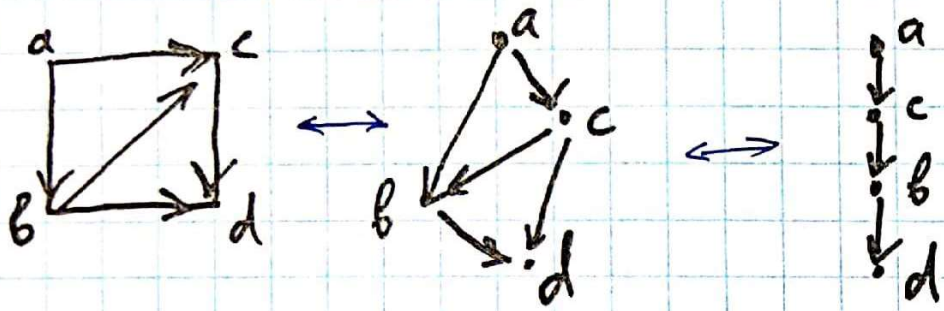
$a \preceq b \preceq c \preceq e$
 $a \preceq d \preceq e$

$P = (X, \preceq)$
 $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$



Origins of posets

① acyclic graphs, tournaments



$$P = (X, \preceq)$$

$$X = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

$\preceq \leftarrow$ linear order

② unfinished sorting

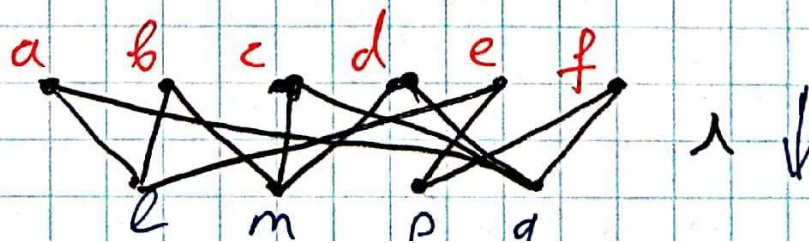
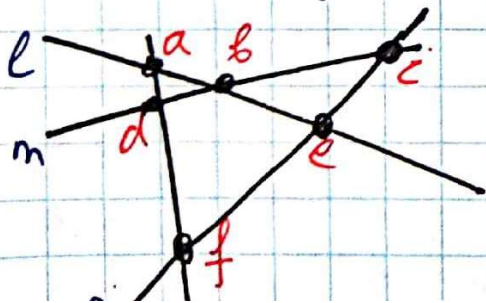
$$X = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$a_i \preceq a_j \Rightarrow a_i \leq a_j \quad / \text{ but } \underline{\text{not}} \Leftarrow /$$

③ inclusion relation

$$X = \{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n\}, \quad V_i \subseteq W \text{ subspaces, } W = \mathbb{k}^d$$

$$V_i \preceq V_j \Leftrightarrow V_i \subseteq V_j \quad \forall i, j$$



④ d-dim. data set

$$X = \{ \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \dots \} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\bar{x} = (x_1 \dots x_d)$$

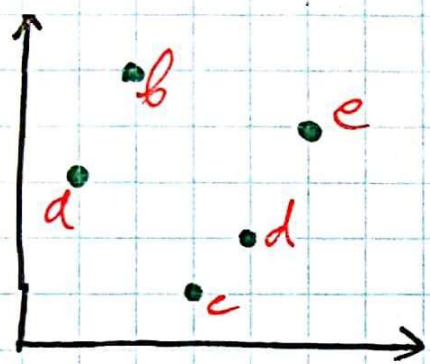
$$\bar{y} = (y_1 \dots y_d)$$

$$\bar{x} \succeq \bar{y} \iff$$

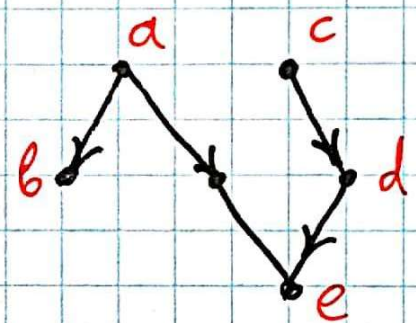
$$x_i \leq y_i$$

$$\forall i = 1 \dots d$$

\bar{x}
 $d=2$



- a = (1, 3)
- b = (2, 5)
- c = (3, 1)
- d = (4, 2)
- e = (5, 4)



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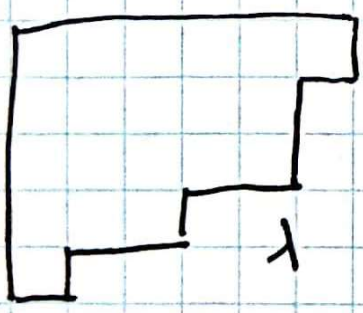
$$(35124) \in S_5$$

perm. posets
 $G \in S_n \rightarrow P_G = (X, \preceq)$
 $P_G \leftarrow 2\text{-dim}$

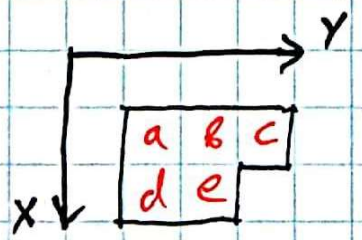
⑤ partitions, Young diagrams

$$\lambda = (\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_\ell) \vdash n, \quad \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_\ell = n, \quad \lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_\ell$$

$\mathcal{P}_\lambda \leftarrow 2\text{-dim. poset}$

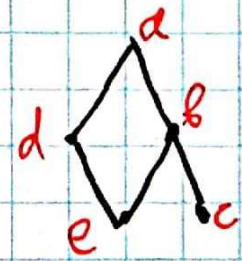


$$\lambda = (65531) \vdash 20$$



$$\lambda = (3, 2)$$

- a = (1, 1)
- b = (1, 2)
- c = (1, 3)
- d = (2, 1)
- e = (2, 2)



②

Def chain $\leftarrow x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n, x_i \in X$
 $P_2(X, <)$ antichain $\leftarrow A \subseteq X, A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$
 st. $a_i \not\leq a_j, a_j \not\leq a_i, \forall i, j$
independent elt's

Def $P = (X, <)$ \leftarrow fin. poset

height of P $\leftarrow \max |C|$
 C - chain

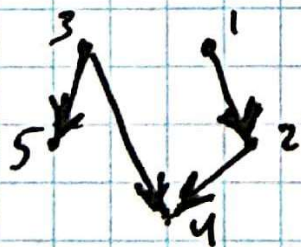
width of P $\leftarrow \max |A|$
 A - antichain

Ex $\sigma \in S_n, P_\sigma \leftarrow$ perm. poset

height of $P_\sigma = LIS(\sigma) \leftarrow$ size of longest increasing subs

width of $P_\sigma = LDS(\sigma) \leftarrow$ -||- deccreas. -||-

$\sigma = (35124)$



$LIS(\sigma) = 3 \leftarrow \underline{124}$

$LDS(\sigma) = 2 \leftarrow \underline{54}$

Dilworth Theorem

Prop $P=(X, \leq)$, height of $P = k$

[Dekna, Th 9.1]

Then

P can be partitioned into
 k antichains

$$X = A_1 \sqcup \dots \sqcup A_k \quad \begin{cases} A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \\ \bigcup A_i = X \end{cases}$$

\triangleright height of $x := \max |C|$, C - chain in P
 $C = \{x_1, \dots, x_n = x\}$

$$1 \leq \text{height}(x) \leq k$$

Let $A_i := \{x \in X, \text{height}(x) = i\}$, $1 \leq i \leq k$

observe: $A_i \leftarrow$ antichain

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} x \succ y, \quad x, y \in A_i \Rightarrow \text{height}(x) < \\ \text{height}(y) \end{array} \right. \quad \textcircled{X}$$

$\Rightarrow X = A_1 \sqcup \dots \sqcup A_k \leftarrow$ desired \square

Q: What about partitions into chains?

Th [Dilworth, 1950]

$P = (X, \leq)$, $\text{width}(P) = k$. Then

P can be partitioned into k chains

$$X = C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_k, \quad \begin{cases} C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset & \forall i, j \\ \cup C_i = X \end{cases}$$

Robert P. Dilworth

(1914-93)

B. Riverside Cnty

students: Al Hobbs

Curtis Greene

(Caltech)

L2 Chains & Antichains (part 2)

Oct 5, 2020

Last lecture: $P = (X, \leq)$

chains - $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n$

antichains - $A \subseteq X, \quad x \not\leq y \quad \forall x, y \in A$

height - max chain size

width - max antichain size

Prop $P = (X, \leq)$, $\text{height}(P) = k$

Then P can be partitioned into
 k antichains

①

Th [Dilworth, 1950]

$P = (X, \leq)$, $\text{width}(P) = k$. Then

P can be partitioned into k chains

$$X = C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_k, \quad \begin{cases} C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset & \forall i, j \\ \cup C_i = X \end{cases}$$

Proof [Perles, 1963]

Use induction
on $n = |X|$

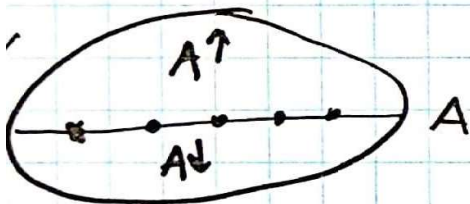
Base \checkmark
 $n=1$

[West, 12.1.8]

$n > 1$ $A \subset X$ \leftarrow largest antichain

$$A^\uparrow = \{x \in X, x \not\geq a \text{ some } a \in A\}$$

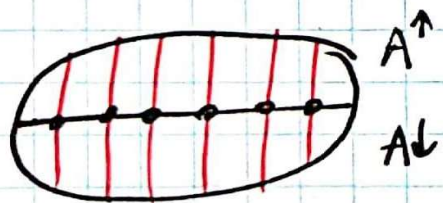
$$A^\downarrow = \{x \in X, x \not\leq a \text{ some } a \in A\}$$



Obs $X = A^\uparrow \cup A^\downarrow$ / oth A not largest,
 $A^\uparrow \cap A^\downarrow = A$

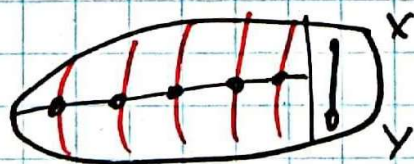
Case 1 $|A^\uparrow|, |A^\downarrow| < n$

Case 2 $x \leftarrow \text{min elt}$ in P
 $y \leftarrow \text{max elt}$ in P



$\leftarrow k$ chains

$\forall A$ either $|A^\uparrow| = n$ or $|A^\downarrow| = n$



$\Rightarrow \text{width}(P') \leq k-1$

$$P' := P - x - y$$

By ind. \checkmark

\checkmark



⑥

Cor 1 $\forall \sigma \in S_n : LIS(\sigma) \cdot LDS(\sigma) \geq n$

[Erdős-Szekeres theorem, 1935]

Cor 2 $\forall P = (X, \preceq) : width(P) \cdot height(P) \geq n$
where $n = |X|$

D (Cor 2) By Dilworth th $\exists C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_k = X$

$$\Rightarrow n = |X| \leq width(P) \cdot \max |C_i| \\ \leq width(P) \cdot height(P) \quad \square$$

/ Also follows from Prop /

Now Cor 2 \Rightarrow Cor 1 for $P = P_\sigma$

since $height(P_\sigma) = LIS(\sigma)$
 $width(P_\sigma) = LDS(\sigma)$

③

Cor 3 [= Hall's marriage thm, 1935]

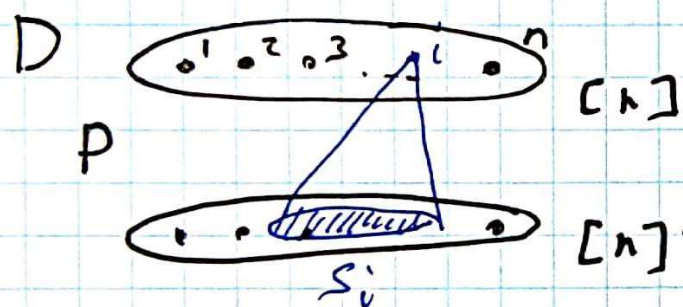
[Jukna, p. 98]

Let $S_1, \dots, S_n \subseteq [n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$

Suppose $\forall I \subseteq [n]$ we have:

$$\left| \bigcup_{i \in I} S_i \right| \geq |I|$$

Then \exists bij $\pi: [n] \rightarrow [n]$ s.t. $\pi(i) \in S_i \forall i$

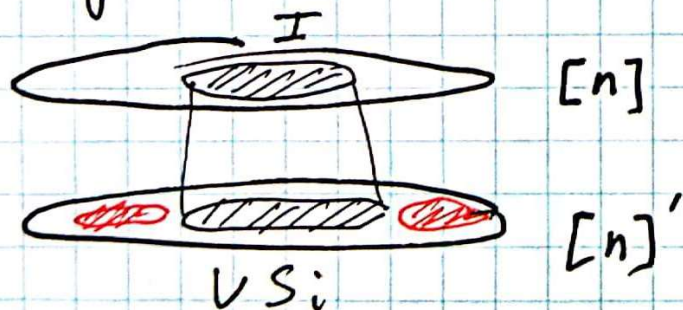


Γ - corresp. bipartite graph

Claim $\leftarrow \exists$ perfect matching in Γ

Obs width(P) $\geq n$ ✓

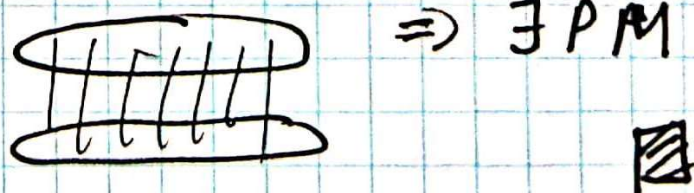
In fact width(P) = n



$$|I| = k \Rightarrow |A| \leq k$$

$$I = A \cap [n] \quad + \quad n - k = n$$

Now Dilworth Thm



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Ex Boolean lattice $B_n = (X, \subseteq)$

$X = 2^{[n]} \leftarrow$ all subsets of $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$

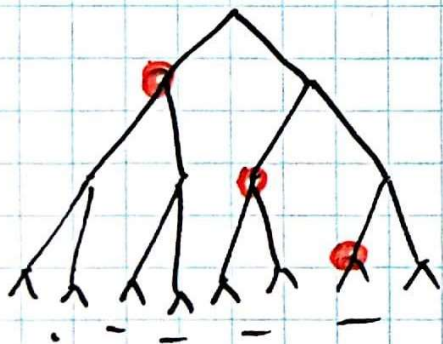
$\subseteq \leftarrow$ inclusion

height $(B_n) = n+1$

width $(B_n) \geq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$ / in fact \equiv /

Non-ex (infinite posets) X - countable

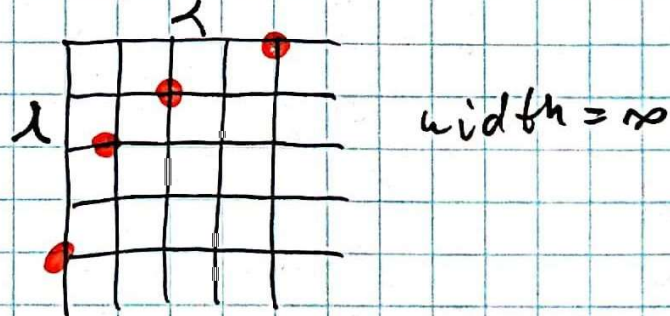
(1) inf. binary tree T_2



width $(T_2) = \infty$

$\exists \infty$ antichain

(2) quadrant \mathbb{N}^2



$\exists \infty$ anti chain

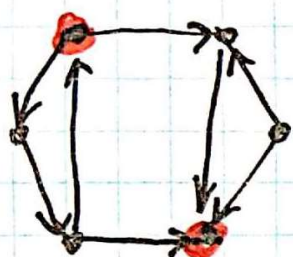
/ Hilbert's Basis Thm /

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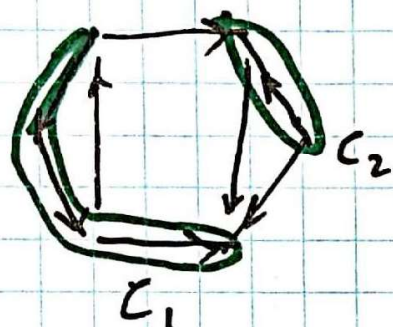
Graph Theory generalization

[West, p. 540]

$G = (V, E)$ - directed graph



$$\alpha(G) = 2$$



$\alpha(G) = \max$ size of
indep set in G

$$V = C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_m$$

directed path partition

/also path cover/

Th [Gallai-Milgram, 1960]

\forall directed $G = (V, E) \exists$ directed path
partition into $\leq \alpha(G)$ paths.

Obs: G-M thm \Rightarrow Dilworth thm.

D $P = (X, \preceq)$, take $G = (X, E)$
where $E = \{(x, y), x, y \in X, x \preceq y\}$. \square

/ comparability graph /

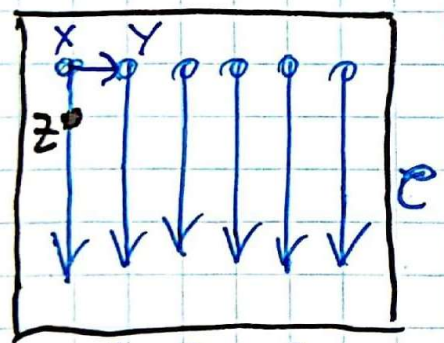
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[West, p. 546]

Proof of G-M thm (by ind.)

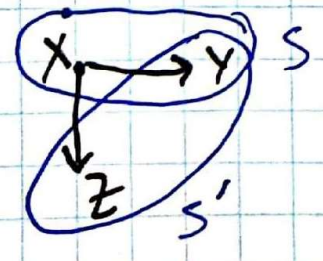
$\forall \mathcal{C} = \{C_1, \dots, C_k\} \leftarrow$ directed path part'n
 $\forall k > d(G) \quad S \leftarrow \{s(C_1), \dots, s(C_k)\}$
 set of sources of \mathcal{C}
 $\exists \mathcal{C}' = \{C'_1, \dots, C'_{k-1}\} \leftarrow$ directed path part'n
 s.t. $\{s(C'_1), \dots, s(C'_{k-1})\} \subset S$.
 /stronger ind. assumption/

$n = |V|$ | $n > 1$, $k > d(G) \Rightarrow \exists (xy) \in E$
 $x, y \in S$



Let $\mathcal{C}' = \{z \rightarrow, y \rightarrow, \dots\}$
 $S' = \{z, y, \dots\}$, $|S'| = k$
 dir. path part'n for $G' = G - x$

By $\ast \exists \mathcal{C}''$ w/ $S'' \subset S'$ and
 $|S''| < k \leftarrow d(G') \leq d(G)$



① y or $z \in S''$
 \rightarrow attach (xy)
 or (xz) ✓

② $y, z \notin S'' \Rightarrow |S''| \leq k-2$
 add (x) to \mathcal{C}''

⑦

Cor $G = (V, E) \leftarrow$ tournament (directed K_n)

Then G has a Hamiltonian path

D $d(b) = 1$ \square

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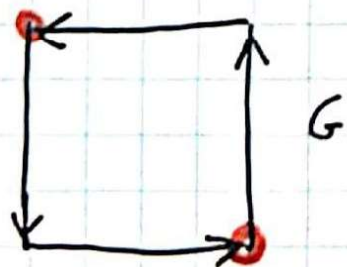
Recap: Th [Dilworth] $\mathcal{P} = (X, \leq)$, $\text{width}(\mathcal{P}) = k$
 $\Rightarrow \exists$ partition of \mathcal{P} into k chains

Th [Gallai-Milgram] $G = (V, E)$ digraph
 $d = d(G)$ - max size independent set
 $\Rightarrow \exists$ directed path partition of G
into $\leq d$ paths

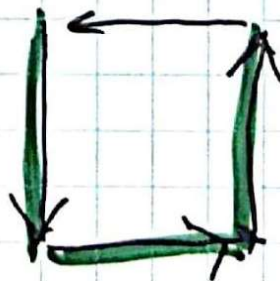
Cor G - tournament (orientation of K_n)
 $\Rightarrow G$ has a Hamiltonian path

Note: $d(G)$ is NOT always tight

Ex:



$$d(G) = 2$$



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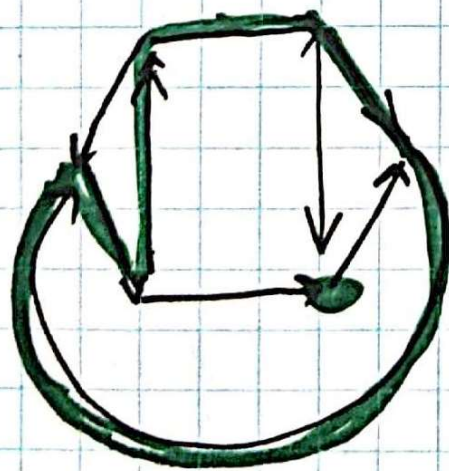
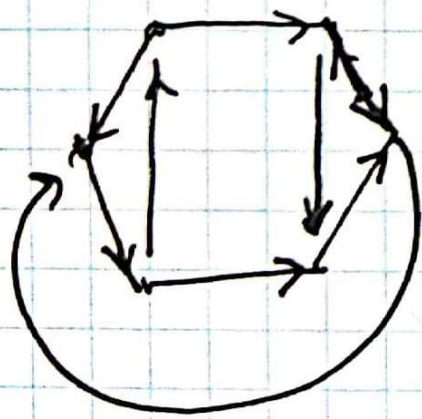
Application: [Gallai's conj., 1963]

Th. [Bessy - Thomasse', 2007]

$G = (V, E) \leftarrow$ strongly conn digraph, $k = d(G)$

\exists directed circuit cover w/ k circuits:

$G = C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_k$ \leftarrow not necess. disjoint



Proof: G-M ⊕ 3 pp.
/ see add. reading /
Cor Every strongly
conn. tournament
has a Ham. cycle

⑧

Def $\forall \mathcal{P} = (X, \prec)$ let

$G = (X, E)$, $E = \{ (x, y), x \prec y \mid x, y \in X \}$
comparability graph

GM \Rightarrow Dil.

$H = (X, E')$, $E' = \left\{ (x, y), x \prec y \mid \begin{array}{l} x, y \in X \\ \text{s.t. no } x \prec z \prec y \end{array} \right\}$

Hasse diagram

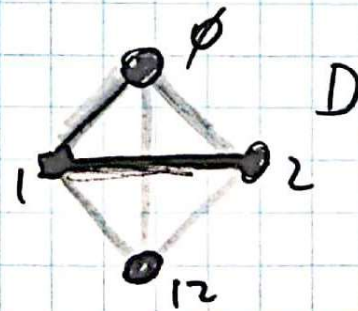
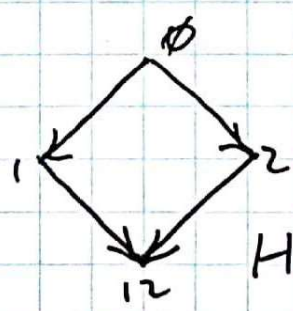
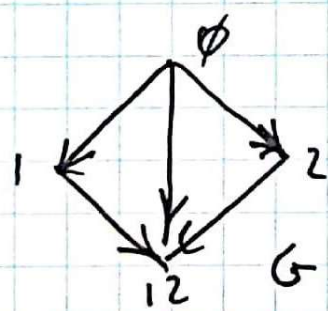
$D = (X, E'')$, $E'' = \left\{ (x, y), x, y \in X \mid \text{s.t. } x \not\prec y, y \not\prec x \right\}$

incomparability graph

Note: $G, H \in$ graphs, digraphs /not D/

$D = \bar{G} \leftarrow K_n = G \cup D, n = |X|$

Ex $\mathcal{P} = B_2$



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Chains & Antichains in Boolean lattice

$$B_n = (2^{[n]}, \subseteq)$$

$2^{[n]} \leftarrow$ all subsets of $[n]$
 $\subseteq = \subsetneq$

Obs

1) maximal chains := chains in B_n which cannot be enlarged

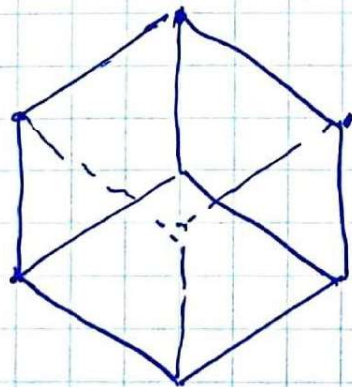
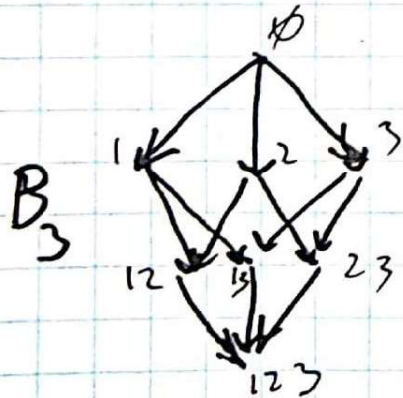
maximal chains \iff largest chains in B_n
 in $P \iff$ longest paths in Hasse diag

2) max chains in $B_n \iff S_n$, so that

$$\sigma = (\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(n)) \iff \left[\emptyset \rightarrow \{\sigma(1)\} \rightarrow \{\sigma(1), \sigma(2)\} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow [n] \right]$$

max chains in $B_n = n!$

3) Hasse diag of $B_n \cong$ graph of a hypercube $\{0,1\}^n$



Q: # chains = ??

all chains /

2, 4, 14, 76



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Chains in $B_n \Leftrightarrow [\emptyset \rightarrow S_1 \rightarrow S_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow S_e = [n]]$

$$S_i \subseteq [n], S_i \subsetneq S_{i+1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_e), Y_i \subseteq [n]$$

$$Y_i \cap Y_j = \emptyset, Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup \dots = [n]$$

$$Y_i = S_i \setminus S_{i-1}$$

Obs $\forall m_1 + \dots + m_e = n \quad \# \bar{Y} = \binom{n}{m_1, \dots, m_e}$

$$|Y_i| = m_i, \quad \bar{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_e)$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n := \# \text{chains in } B_n = \sum_{m_1 + \dots + m_e = n} \binom{n}{m_1, \dots, m_e}$$

Obs $\forall P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = N$, $\text{height}(X) = h$

$$\# \text{chains in } P \leq \# \text{max chains} \cdot 2^h$$

$$\Rightarrow P = B_n, N = 2^n, \# \text{max chains} = n!$$

$$h = n+1$$

$$n! \leq a_n \leq n! 2^{n+1}$$

$$a_n \leq \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \cdot 2^n \cdot \Theta(\sqrt{n}) \quad \Rightarrow a_n = e^{n \log n + O(n)}$$

$$\geq \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \cdot \Theta(\sqrt{n}) \quad \Rightarrow \log a_n = n \log n + O(n)$$

⑤

$$\frac{a_{n-1}}{n!} = \sum_{m_1 + \dots + m_\ell = n} \frac{1}{m_1! m_2! \dots m_\ell!} \quad n \geq 0, \ell \geq 0$$

$$m_i \geq 1 \forall i$$

non-empty chains

$$= [t^n] \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \prod_{i=1}^{\ell} \left(\frac{t}{1!} + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= [t^n] \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (e^t - 1)^\ell$$

$$= [t^n] \frac{1}{1 - (e^t - 1)} = [t^n] \frac{1}{2 - e^t}$$

$$A(t) = \sum \frac{a_n t^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{2 - e^t} \quad \text{e.g.f.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{comp. anal.} \quad a_n \sim \frac{n!}{2 (\log 2)^{n+1}}$$

$$a_n \sim \frac{1}{2 \log 2} n! (\log_2 e)^n \approx 1.44 \quad \text{Fubini numbers}$$

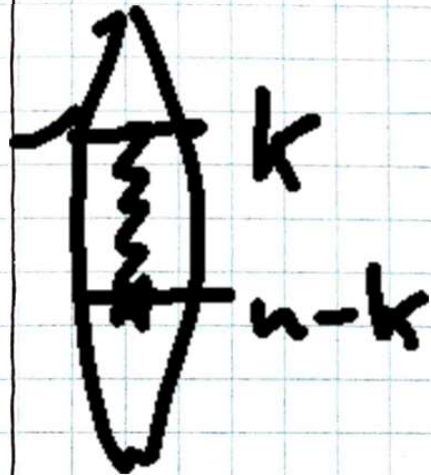
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$$\boxed{A' = 2A^2 - A} \quad \leftrightarrow \quad a_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n}{k} a_{n-k}$$

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Prop width(B_n) = $\approx \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\text{LYM ineq.}}$

Def $P = (X, \prec)$, $C = [x_1 \prec x_2 \prec \dots \prec x_\ell]$ chain
 $C \leftarrow \underline{\text{saturated}}$ if $C \leftarrow \text{max}$ between x_1 & x_ℓ
 $\Leftrightarrow C \leftarrow \text{directed path}$ in Hasse diag H of P



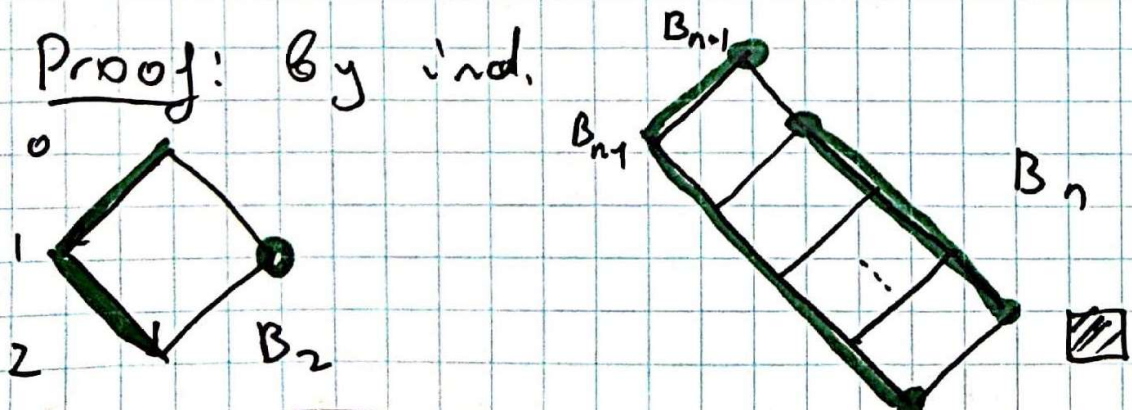
G-M Thm: $\forall P$ can be partitioned into $\text{width}(P)$ sat. chains

\leftarrow NOT $\text{width}(P) \leq \alpha(H)$ *not always*

Th [Greene-Kleitman, 1976] B_n can be part'd into $\binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$ symmetric saturated chains

symmetric \leftarrow from height k to $n-k$

Proof: By ind.



\Rightarrow Prop
 $\text{width} \leq ()$ by $\leq k$
 $\geq ()$ via middle level

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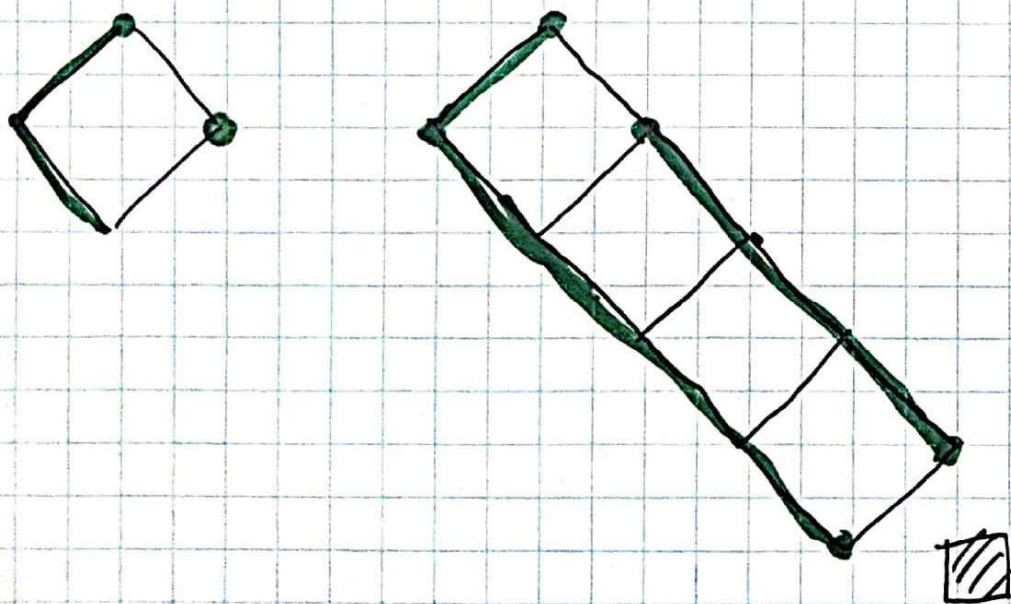
Last time:

Th [de Bruijn-Tengbergen-Krugswijk, 1951]

[West, p.546]

Boolean Lattice $B_n = (2^{[n]}, \subseteq)$ has
a symmetric saturated chain
decomposition

Proof: By induction



$$\Rightarrow \text{width}(B_n) \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$$

Q: can this
be made
efficient?
effective?

"poly-time computable?"

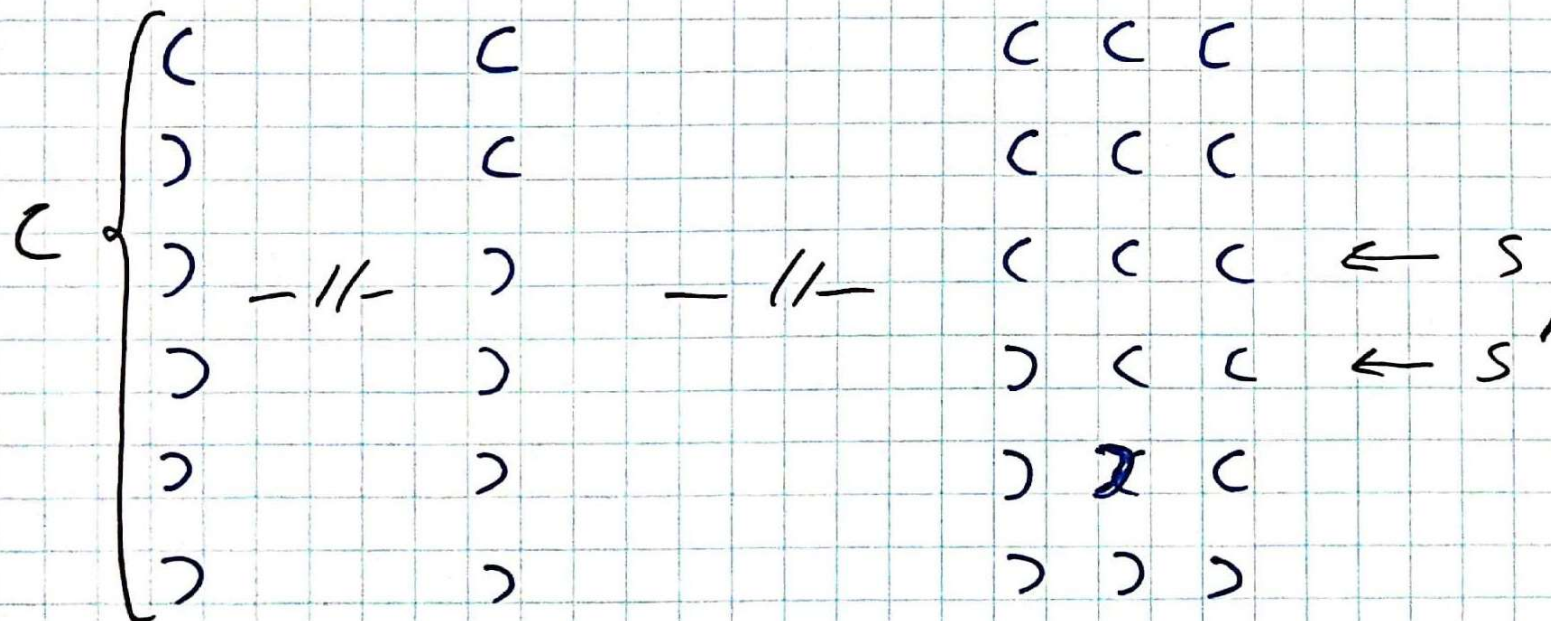
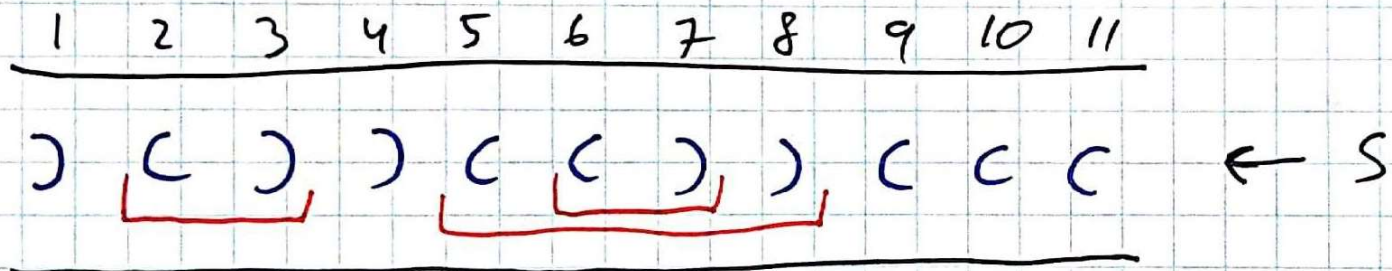
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Formal Q: can one compute $S \rightarrow S' \forall S \subseteq 2^{[n]}$
 in poly time?

Th [Greene-Kleitman, 1976] yes

[GK, p 30]

D $S = \{1, 3, 4, 7, 8\} \subseteq 2^{[11]}$, $n=11$



②

Cor Binomial coeff are unimodal:

$$\binom{n}{0} \leq \binom{n}{1} \leq \binom{n}{2} \leq \dots \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \geq \dots \geq \binom{n}{n}$$

Def $P = (X, \leq)$ is ranked if
 $\forall x, y \in X, (x, y) \in H, \text{height}(x) = \text{height}(y) - 1$

/ usually $\text{rk}(\hat{0}) = 0$, so $\text{rk}(x) = \text{height}(x) - 1$ /

Def $P = (X, \leq)$ has Sperner property

if $\max \text{rk} = \text{width}(P)$

/ $\Leftrightarrow |\{x \in X, \text{rk}(x) = k\}| = \text{width}(P)$ some k

$\Leftrightarrow \{x \in X, \text{rk}(x) = k\}$ - largest antichain /

Def $P = (X, \leq)$ ranked has strong Sperner property

if [later]



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Def $P = (X, \leq)$ - P ranked poset, ~~max rank~~
 $P_k := \{x \in X, rk(x) = k\}$ level set
 $m = \max_k |P_k|$ middle rank

Def $P \leftarrow$ symmetric chain order if
 $\exists P = C_1 \sqcup C_2 \sqcup \dots \sqcup C_d, d = \text{width}(P)$
 $C_i \leftarrow$ symmetric saturated chain
 $C_i = \{x_0 \leq x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_e\}$ s.t.
 $rk(x_0) = \underline{m} - k, rk(x_e) = \underline{m} + k$
 some k

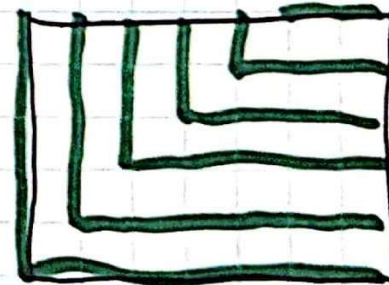
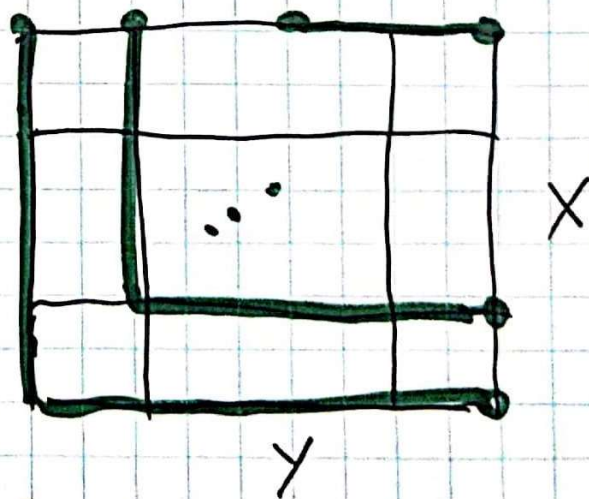
Th $P, Q \leftarrow$ symmetric chain orders
 [Katona '72] \Rightarrow so is $P \times Q$.

$P = (X, \leq), Q = (Y, \leq')$

$P \times Q := (X \times Y, \leq \times \leq')$

$(x, y) \leq (x', y')$

$\left. \begin{matrix} \text{if } x \leq x' \\ y \leq' y' \end{matrix} \right\}$



④

Cor $\forall m_1, \dots, m_e$ $\prod_{i=1}^e (1+t+\dots+t^{m_i-1})$ is unimodal
 $\ll [m_i]_t$

unimodal: $f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \dots + a_n t^n$
 $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_e \geq a_{e+1} \geq \dots \geq a_n$

Cor $(n!)_q = \prod_{i=1}^n (1+q+\dots+q^{i-1}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} q^{\text{inv}(\sigma)}$
 is unimodal

Exc - Generalize GK bracket sequences

- Find a combin. interpretation

for $\left[\begin{array}{l} \#\{\sigma \in S_n, \text{inv}(\sigma) = k+1\} \\ - \#\{\sigma \in S_n, \text{inv}(\sigma) = k\} \end{array} \right] k \leq \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{2}$

Def int seq has a comb. interpretation
 if $\exists A, |A| = a, A \subseteq \{0,1\}^N \leftarrow$ effective

Def int. seq. $\{a_n\}$ $\left. \begin{array}{l} - |A_n| \\ \text{if } \exists A_n, |A_n| = a_n \end{array} \right\} \oplus$ membership $x \in A_n$
 can be done in poly-time

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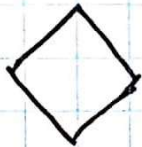
Counting Antichains in B_n

$a_n := \#$ antichains in $B_n = (2^{[n]}, \subset)$

$n=0$ $\{ \emptyset \}$

$a_0 = 2$

$n=2$



$a_2 = 6$

$n=1$ $\{ \emptyset, \{x\} \}$

$a_1 = 3$

n - even

Obs

$a_n \leq 2^{2^n}$, $a_n \geq 2^{\binom{n}{n/2}}$
 $\log a_n \leq 2^n (\log 2)$, $\log a_n \geq \frac{2^n}{\sqrt{n}} \Theta(1)$

Prop $(\log a_n) = 2^n O\left(\frac{\log n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$

\triangleright By Dilworth th $\Rightarrow B_n = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^N C_i$, $N = \binom{n}{n/2}$

each chain C_i has $|C_i| + 1$ choices

$\Rightarrow a_n \leq \prod_{i=1}^N (|C_i| + 1) \leq (n+2)^{\binom{n}{n/2}}$

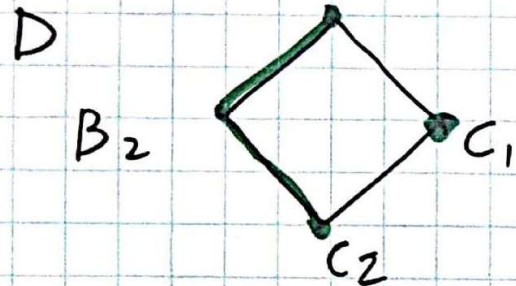
$\log a_n \leq \binom{n}{n/2} \log(n+2) = 2^n O\left(\frac{\log n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$ \square

⑥

Th [Hansel, 1966]

$$a_n \leq 3^{\binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log a_n = 2^n O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$



2 choices for C_1
3 choices for C_2

$$\frac{a_2 \leq 6}{< 3^2} \checkmark$$

In general

$$a_n \leq 3 a_{n-1}$$

Take GK bracket seq for B_n

C $(((\dots (\rightarrow) ((\dots (\rightarrow)) \dots (\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow)) \dots)$

C^* $() (\dots (\rightarrow ()) \dots (\rightarrow \dots)$

C^{**} $(((\dots () \rightarrow) ((\dots () \rightarrow \dots)$

known choices for C^* , $C^{**} \Rightarrow$ at most 3 choices for C



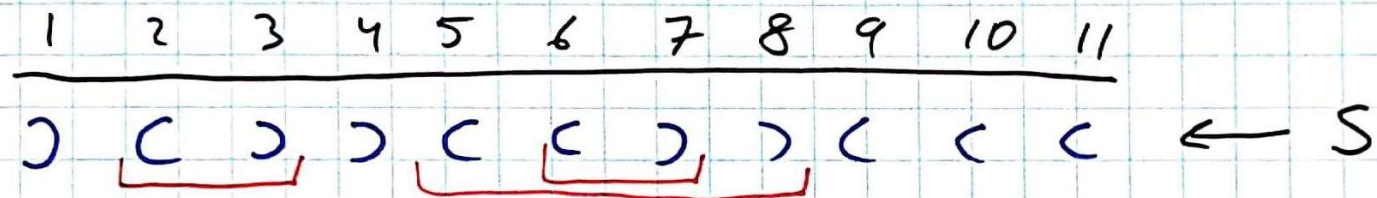
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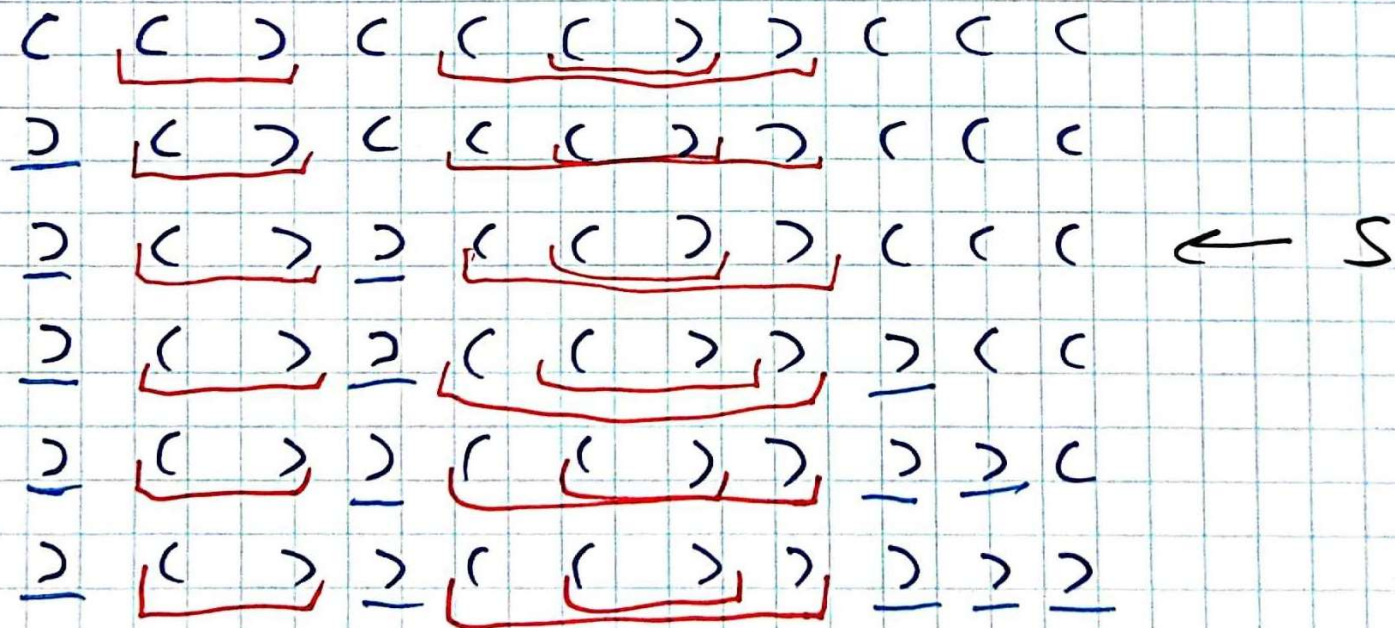
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Greene - Kleitman Bracket sequences

$$S = \{13478\} = [11], n=11$$



$S \in C \leftarrow \text{chain}$



①

\sqsubseteq [B-K] Chains formed by bracket sequences
give a symm. sat. chain partition of B_n

D (sketch)

- 1) every $S \in$ some chain
- 2) no two chains intersect
- 3) every chain is sym & sat \square

Prop Antichains in B_n are in bijection

w/ $f: B_n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ s.t. $f(x) \leq f(y) \forall x \leq y$

D $\forall f$ as -||- let $A_f := \{x \in B_n \text{ s.t. } f(x)=0, f(y)=1 \forall x \leq y\}$

then $A_f \leftarrow$ antichain.

$\forall A \leftarrow$ antichain in B_n let $f: B_n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

$f(x) = 0$ if $\exists y \in A, x \leq y$

$f(x) = 1$

oth.



Note $x = * * \dots C \dots *$
 $y = * * \dots) \dots *$ } $xy \in H_n$
 Hasse diag of B_n

Th [Hansel, 1966]

$$z_n := \# \text{ antichains in } B_n \leq 3^{\binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}}$$

[Kest, ^{Thm} 12.2.14]

D (by induction) Base ✓

$n > 1$ $a_n \leq 3 a_{n-1}$

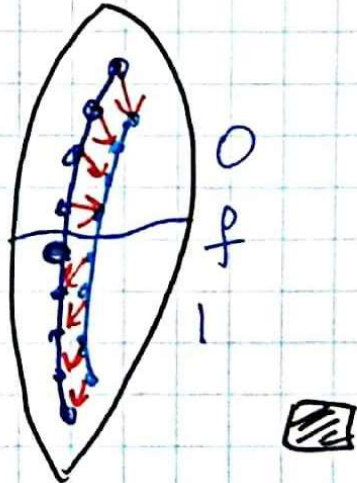
Claim \forall chain C in GK bracket construction
 there are ≤ 3 choices of f given all
 f values of f on smaller chains C'

D (by ind)

$$C = \{) \dots) \rangle \langle \dots \langle C \}$$

$$C' = \{) \dots) \langle \rangle \langle \dots \langle C \}$$

f on C' det half of f on C



③

LYM property [L = Lubell, 1966]
 [Y = Yamamoto, 1954]
 [M = Meshalkin, 1963]

Th $A \subset B_n$ antichain

then $\sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} \binom{n}{|A|}^{-1} \leq 1 \leftarrow \underline{\text{LYM inequality}}$

$\triangleright \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ let $\mathcal{C}_A = \{ C \leftarrow \text{max chain in } B_n \mid A \subset C \}$

clearly $\forall A, A' \in \mathcal{A} \quad \mathcal{C}_A \cap \mathcal{C}_{A'} = \emptyset$
 $|\mathcal{C}_A| = \frac{n!}{|A|! (n-|A|)!}$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} |A|! (n-|A|)! \leq n! \quad \square$

Obs $\text{LYM Th} \Rightarrow \text{width}(B_n) \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$

$\triangleright \binom{n}{|A|} \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \Rightarrow \sum_A \binom{n}{|A|}^{-1} \geq \text{width}(B_n) \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}^{-1} \quad \square$

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Cor $\text{width}(B_n) = \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$ ✓ Sperner property

Lattice of subspaces of $V = \mathbb{F}_q^n$

$$\mathcal{F}_n := (\mathcal{K} \subseteq V, \subseteq)$$

Th \mathcal{F}_n has Sperner property

$$\text{width} = \#\{W \subseteq V, \dim W = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$$

Prop 1 $\#$ k -subspaces of $V = \binom{n}{k}_q = \frac{(n!)_q}{(k!)_q (n-k!)_q}$ [Stanley, §1.7]

where $(n!)_q = (1)_q (2)_q \cdots (n)_q$

and $(m)_q = \frac{q^m - 1}{q - 1} = 1 + q + \dots + q^{m-1}$

Prequel: $\#$ k -subsets of $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\} = \binom{n}{k}$

$\triangleright S_k \times S_{n-k}$ act on $S_n = \{\sigma = (\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n))\}$

action \leftarrow free, orbits \leftrightarrow k -subsets $\Rightarrow \# \frac{|S_n|}{|S_k \times S_{n-k}|}$ \square

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Proof of Prop 1 $G_n = GL(n, \mathbb{F}_q)$

$$|G_n| = (q^n - 1)(q^n - q) \dots (q^n - q^{n-1})$$

$|G_n| = \#$ n -subspaces w/ marked basis
 $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

$\times \times \dots \times$	v_1
$\times \times \dots \times$	v_2
\dots	
$\times \times \dots \times$	v_n

$G_n(k)$:= k -subspaces w/ marked basis

$$|G_n(k)| = (q^n - 1)(q^n - q) \dots (q^n - q^{k-1})$$

G_k acts freely on $G_n(k)$
orbits \leftrightarrow k -subspaces of V

$$\Rightarrow \# k\text{-subspaces} = \frac{|G_n(k)|}{|G_k|} = \frac{(q^n - 1)(q^n - q) \dots (q^n - q^{k-1})}{(q^k - 1)(q^k - q) \dots (q^k - q^{k-1})}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{(q^n - 1) \dots (q^n - q^{k-1})} (q^n - q^k) \dots (q^n - q^{n-1})}{(q^k - 1) \dots (q^k - q^{k-1})} = \frac{\quad}{1}$$

$$= \frac{(n!)_q}{(k!)_q (n-k)_q} = \binom{n}{k}_q$$

⑧

Prop 2 \forall antichain $A \subset \mathcal{F}_n$

$$\sum_{A \in A} \binom{n}{|A|}_q^{-1} \leq 1$$

D max chains \leftrightarrow complete flags of subspaces $V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \dots \subset V$

$$\# \text{ max chains} = (n!)_q$$

max chains containing $\star V$, $\dim V = k$

$$= (k!)_q (n-k)!_q$$

\Rightarrow q-LYM

$$\sum_{A \in A} |A|!_q (n-|A|)!_q \leq (n!)_q$$

□

Prop 3 $\forall q \geq 2$

$$\binom{n}{0}_q \leq \binom{n}{1}_q \leq \dots \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}_q$$

D $\binom{n}{k}_q = \binom{n}{k-1}_q \cdot \frac{(n-k)_q}{(k)_q} \geq \binom{n}{k-2}_q$ □

⑦

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Applications of Chains & Antichains

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① Gray codes & Universal sequences

Def A cyclic seq $\bar{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$, $a_i \in \{0,1\}$
is a n -Gray code if $\forall (d_1, \dots, d_n) \in \{0,1\}^n$
 \bar{a} contains (d_1, \dots, d_n)

cf de Bruijn sequences

Obs 1) trivial Gray code has length $N = n2^n$
2) every Gray code $\implies N \geq 2^n$

Th/Prop \exists Gray code of length $N = 2^n$

$\Gamma_n = (V, E)$, $V = \{0,1\}^{n-1}$, $E = \{(v, v')\}$

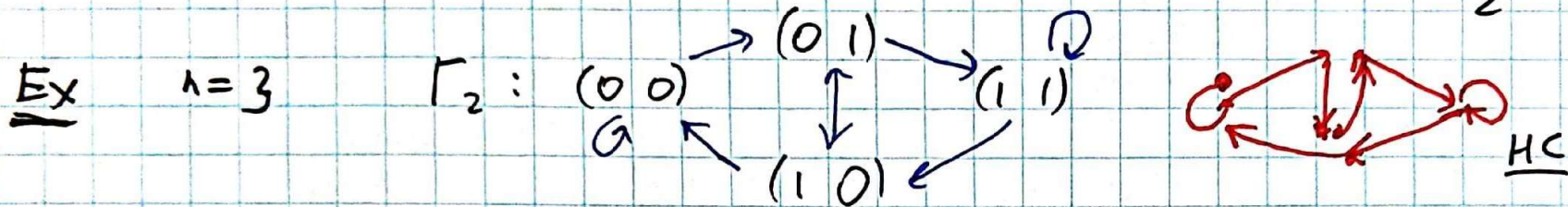
$v = (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_{n-1})$, $v' = (d_1, \dots, d_{n-1}, d_n) \in V$

Obs 1 $\text{indeg}(v) = \text{outdeg}(v) = 2 \quad \forall v \in V$

Euler th $\implies \Gamma_n$ has a Hamiltonian circuit



Obs 2 Ham. circuits in $\Gamma_n \leftrightarrow n$ -Gray code of length 2^n



(comp. aspects)

3-Gray code 00010111



Note Using BEST thm #n-Gray codes = product formula

Def Seq $\bar{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is n-universal if $[Dukna \S 9.1.2]$
 $a_i \in [n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$ and \bar{a} contains every subset $X \in 2^{[n]}$

Ex $\bar{a} = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 2, 4)$ is 5-universal
 $N=13$, e.g. $X = \{1, 3, 4\} \in 2^{[5]}$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n k \binom{n}{k} = n 2^{n-1}$$

Obs 1) $N \geq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$ since $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ -elt subsets must start at diff place $(\sim \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi n}} 2^n)$

2) $N = \underline{2^{n-1} n}$ works ✓

②

Th [Łopuski, 1978]

\exists n -univ. sequence of length $N \leq \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right) 2^n$

\triangleright $n = 2k$ $[n] = S \cup T$, $S = \{1 \dots k\}$, $T = \{k+1 \dots 2k\}$

$B_S = (2^S, \subseteq)$, $B_T = (2^T, \subseteq) \leftarrow$ Boolean lattices

$B_S = C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_m$, $B_T = D_1 \cup \dots \cup D_m$, $m = \binom{k}{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor}$

st. $C_i, D_j \leftarrow$ sym, saturated. \leftarrow BKT (or GK)

$C_i: \{x_1, x_2 \dots x_a\} \rightarrow \{x_1, x_2 \dots x_{a+1}\} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \{x_1, x_2 \dots x_b\}$

$\rightarrow \vec{C}_i := (x_1, x_2 \dots x_b)$ seq in $[S]^*$

$D_j: \{y_1, y_2 \dots y_a\} \rightarrow \{y_1, y_2 \dots y_{a+1}\} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \{y_1, y_2 \dots y_b\}$

$\leftarrow \overleftarrow{D}_j := (y_b \dots y_2, y_1)$ seq in $[T]^*$

Let $\vec{a} := \overleftarrow{D}_1 \vec{C}_1 \overleftarrow{D}_1 \vec{C}_2 \dots \overleftarrow{D}_j \vec{C}_i \dots \overleftarrow{D}_m \vec{C}_m$

obs every XUY , $X \in 2^S$, $Y \in 2^T$ is in some

$\overleftarrow{D}_j \vec{C}_i$. Also $|\vec{a}| \leq km^2 \sim \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right) 2^n$ \square

③

② Extremal combinatorics

Th [Littlewood - Offord '1943, Kleitman '1970]

$v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $\|v_i\| \geq 1$ ← vectors

$K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ← open region s.t. $\text{diam } K < 2$

Then $\# \{ \varepsilon_1 v_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n v_n \in K, \varepsilon_i \in \{0, 1\} \} \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$

[Aigner - Ziegler, Proof from the book]

cf. random subproducts
[Math 285, Spring '20]

Obs $K = \{0\}$, $n = 2k$, $v_1 = \dots = v_n = 1$, $a > 0$, $d = 1$

$\Rightarrow \# \{ \} = \binom{n}{n/2} \Rightarrow$ Th is tight.

Prop Th holds for $K = \{0\}$, $\forall d \geq 1$, $a, w_i > 0$

▷

Obs $\{ \bar{\varepsilon} = (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \text{ s.t. } \varepsilon_1 w_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n w_n = 0 \}$

is an antichain in $B_n \Rightarrow \# \{ \} \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$ ◻

Note $\|v_i\| \geq 1$ & $\text{diam } K < 2$ is a geom. generalization
of width $B_n = \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$

④

Th [Bollobás, 1965]

Let $A_1, \dots, A_m, B_1, \dots, B_m \subseteq [n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$

s.t. $A_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$ if and only if $i = j$

Then
$$\sum_{i=1}^m \binom{|A_i| + |B_i|}{|A_i|}^{-1} \leq 1 \quad (*)$$

Cor $|A_i| = a, |B_j| = b \Rightarrow m \leq \binom{a+b}{a}$

Note Cor has LA proof even under weaker

[Babai-Frankel]
Book

assumpt: $A_i \cap B_i = \emptyset \forall i, A_i \cap B_j \neq \emptyset \forall i < j$

D (Bollobás thm) $a_i := |A_i|, b_j := |B_j|$

[Jukna, §9.2.2]

induction on n $n = 1 \checkmark$

$n \geq 1$ $\mathcal{F}_k \leftarrow \{(A_i, B_i - k), k \in A_i, i \in [m]\} \subsetneq [n]$

$\Rightarrow \forall k$ we have $(*)$. Sum them over $[n]$.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_k \sum_i \underbrace{(n - a_i - b_i)}_{k \notin A_i \cup B_i} \binom{a_i + b_i}{a_i}^{-1} + \sum_i \underbrace{b_i \binom{a_i + b_i - 1}{a_i}^{-1}}_{k \in B_i} \leq n$$

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$$\Rightarrow \sum_k \sum_i = \sum_i n \binom{a_i + b_i}{a_i}^{-1} \leq n \Rightarrow \text{thm.} \quad \square$$

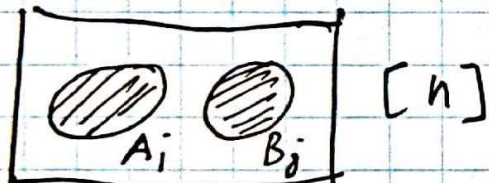
Obs [Tuza, 1984]

Bollobás thm \Rightarrow LYM inequality.

$\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\}$, $A_i \in \mathcal{B}_2^{[n]}$ antichain

~~the~~ Let $B_i := [n] \setminus A_i$,

$$\Rightarrow A_i \cap B_i = \emptyset, \quad A_i \cap B_j \neq \emptyset \quad \forall i \neq j$$



$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{a_i + b_i}{a_i}^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{n}{a_i}^{-1} \leq 1 \quad \square$$

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L7

Perfect graphs

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Def $G = (V, E)$ simple graph (undirected, no loops, multiple edges)

$\chi(G)$ \leftarrow chromatic number $\stackrel{:=}{\text{min \# of colors of proper coloring}}$

$\omega(G)$ \leftarrow clique number $\stackrel{:=}{\text{max size of a clique } K_n \text{ in } G}$

$\alpha(G)$ \leftarrow independence number $\stackrel{:=}{\text{max size of an empty } O_p \text{ in } G}$

Obs $\omega(G) = \alpha(\bar{G})$, where $\bar{G} = (V, \binom{V}{2} \setminus E)$ complement graph

Ex 1 $\bar{K}_5 = O_5$, $\chi(K_5) = 5$, $\omega(K_5) = 5$
 $\alpha(K_5) = 1$

Ex 2 $G := C_5 \leftarrow$ 5-cycle, $\omega(C_5) = 2$

$\alpha(C_5) = 2$ since $\bar{C}_5 = C_5$

$\chi(C_5) = 3$



Prop $\forall G = (V, E)$

$\chi(G) \geq \omega(G)$

$\exists K_n \text{ in } G$

$\Rightarrow \chi \geq n$ \square

①

Exc $\forall k \exists G$ s.t. $w(G) = 2$, $\chi(G) > k$

Def $G = (V, E)$ is perfect if $\chi(H) = w(H)$

\forall induced subgraph H of G

$H = (V', E')$, s.t. $V' \subseteq V$, $E' = E|_{V'}$

Ex G - bipartite $\Rightarrow G$ - perfect $\chi = w = 2$

Prop 1 $P = (X, \leq)$ - poset, $G = (X, \{(xy), xx, yy\})$
comparability graph
 $\Rightarrow G$ is perfect

D $h = \text{height of } P \Rightarrow \underbrace{w(G) = h}_{\text{def}}$, $\underbrace{\chi(G) = h}_{\text{antichain partition}} \quad \square$

Prop 2 $P = (X, \leq)$ - poset, $G = (X, \{(xy), xx, yy, yx\})$
in comparability graph
 $\Rightarrow G$ is perfect.

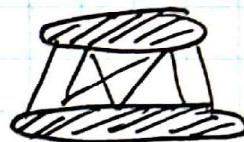
D $w = \text{width of } P \Rightarrow \underbrace{w(G) = w}_{\text{def}}$, $\underbrace{\chi(G) = w}_{\text{chain part, Dilworth Thm}} \quad \square$

(2)

Th1 [Lovász, 1972] ← Weak perfect graph conjecture [Berge, 1961]

G is perfect $\Leftrightarrow \bar{G}$ is perfect

Cor G -bipartite $\Rightarrow \bar{G}$ is perfect



[König Th.]

Cor \exists antichain part $\Rightarrow \exists$ chain part [Dilworth Th]
in P in P

/ WPGG = Lovász's Th \Rightarrow Dilworth Th /

Th2 [Chudnovsky-Robertson-Seymour-Thomas, 2003]

[Berge, 1961]

/ ← Strong perfect graph conjecture /

/150 pp. proof/

G is perfect $\Leftrightarrow G$ contains no $C_{2\ell+1}, \overline{C_{2\ell+1}}$
as induced subgraphs, $\ell \geq 2$

Note SPGC \Rightarrow WPGG

Cor G is chordal $\Rightarrow G$ is perfect

[Dirac, 1961]

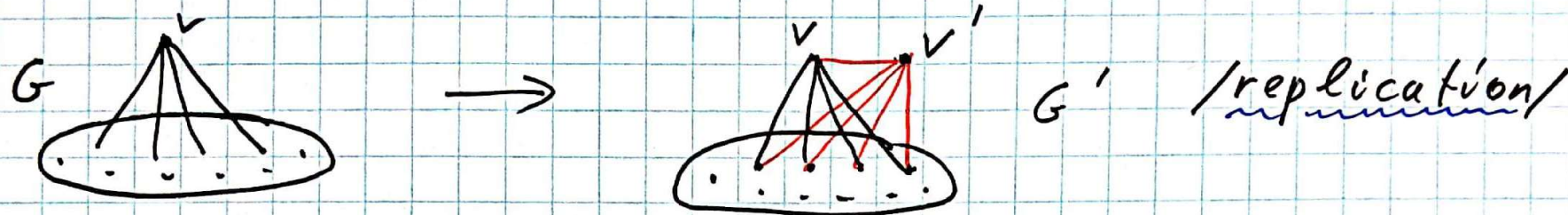
/ chordal \Leftrightarrow no induced C_k , $k \geq 4$ /

③

Proof of Weak Perfect Graph Theorem

[Diestel, §5.5]

Def $G = (V, E)$, $G' = (V + V', E \cup \{v'w : vw \in E\} + (V, V'))$



Replication Lemma [Lovász, 1972]

G is perfect $\Rightarrow G'$ is perfect

D (induction on $n = |V|$) $n=1$ \checkmark / $G = K_1, G' = K_2$

$n > 1$ G -perfect $\Rightarrow \chi(H) = \omega(H) \quad \forall$ induced H in G

\Rightarrow suffices to show $\chi(G') = \omega(G')$

since every induced H' in G' is

either in G or replication of some H in G

now induction gives \Rightarrow

Obs $\omega(G') \in \{\omega, \omega + 1\}$, where $\omega = \omega(G)$

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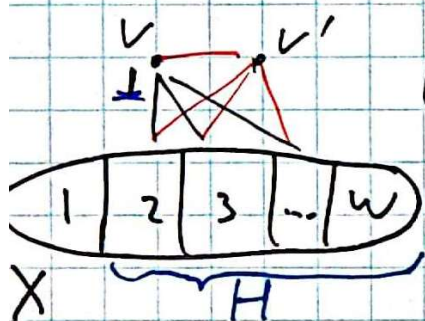
Case 1 $w(G') = w + 1 \Rightarrow \chi(G') \geq w + 1$
Prop

OTOH $\chi(G') \leq \chi(G) + 1 = w(G) + 1 = w + 1$ ✓

Case 2 $w(G') = w \Rightarrow v \notin K_w \text{ in } G$

otherwise $K_w + v' = K_{w+1}$ /

Fix $f: V \rightarrow [w] = \{1, \dots, w\}$ proper coloring of G



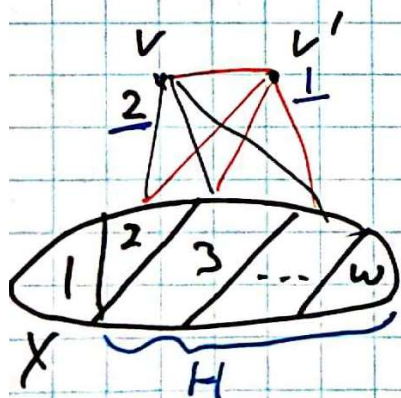
(f) $f(v) = 1, X = f^{-1}(1) - v$
 $H := G - X \quad / \quad v \in H \quad /$

G -perfect $\Rightarrow w(H) = \chi(H)$

Obs: every K_w in G intersects X

$\Rightarrow w(H) \leq w - 1 \Rightarrow \chi(H) \leq w - 1$

← By □



(g) Fix $g: V \setminus X \rightarrow \{2, \dots, w\}$ prop. coloring

Since $X + v' \ll X + v$ - indep sets

let $\hat{g}: V + v' \begin{cases} \hat{g}(x) = g(x), x \in H \\ g(x) = 1, x \in X \cup \{v' \} \end{cases}$

□

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Replication Lemma \Rightarrow WPGG

\triangleright (by induction on $n = |V|$) $n=1$ \checkmark

$n > 1$ $\alpha := \alpha(G)$, $\mathcal{A} = \{ \text{indep sets } A \text{ of size } \alpha \}$

G -perfect $\Rightarrow \chi(H) = \omega(H) \quad \forall$ induced H in G

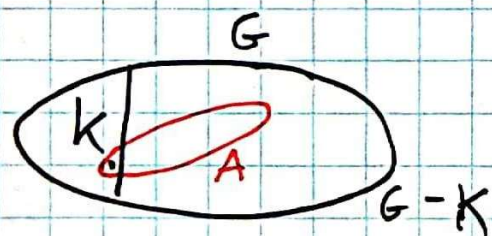
$\Rightarrow H$ perfect $\quad \forall$ induced H $\psi / \leq n-1$

$\Rightarrow \bar{H}$ perfect $\quad \forall$ ind \bar{H} of \bar{G} $\text{vert } -1$

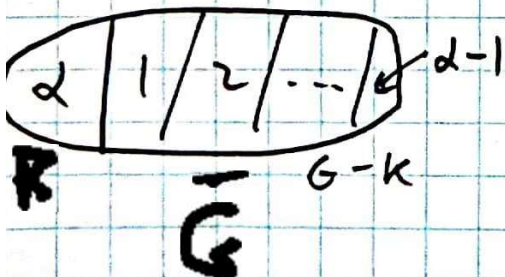
Thus we need $\chi(\bar{G}) = \omega(\bar{G}) = \alpha$

Claim \exists clique K st. $K \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$

Claim $\Rightarrow \omega(\bar{G} - K) = \alpha(G - K) < \alpha = \omega(\bar{G})$



$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \chi(\bar{G}) &\leq \chi(\bar{G} - K) + 1 && \text{ind} \\ &\leq \omega(\bar{G} - K) + 1 \\ &\leq \omega(\bar{G}) = \alpha \end{aligned}$$



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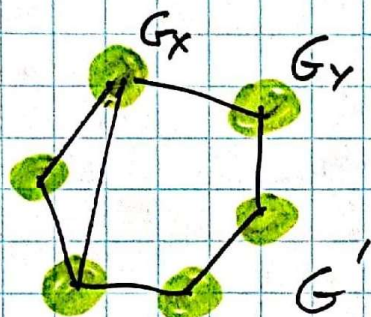
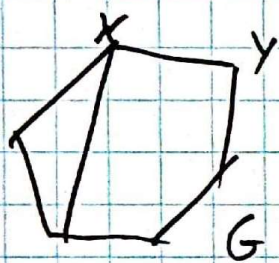
Proof of claim (by contr.)

$\nexists K \Rightarrow \forall \text{ clique } K \quad \exists A_K \in \mathcal{A}, K \cap A_K = \emptyset$

Replace $\forall \text{ vertex } x \in V \text{ w/ clique } G_x = K_{k(x)}$

$k(x) = \#\{K \text{ cliques in } G \text{ s.t. } x \in A_K\}$

by repeated replication \rightarrow graph G'



By RL \Rightarrow

$$\chi(G') = w(G')$$

Note/Obs: every max clique in G'
 $= \bigcup_{x \in X} G_x$, $x \in$ some clique in G

$$\Rightarrow w(G') = \sum_{x \in X} k(x) = \#\{(x, K), x \in X, K \text{ clique in } G, x \in A_K\}$$

$$= \sum_{K \text{ cliques in } G} |X \cap A_K| \leq (\# \text{ cliques in } G) - 1$$

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Here $(5) \Leftrightarrow |X \cap A_K| \leq 1 \quad \forall K, X \text{ cliques}$
and $|X \cap A_x| = 0 \quad \text{by def of } A_x$

OTOH $|G'| = \sum_{x \in V} k(x) = \# \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x, K), x \in V \\ K\text{-clique}, x \in A_K \end{array} \right\}$
 $= \sum_{K\text{-clique in } G} |A_K| = (\# \text{ cliques in } G) \alpha$

Since $\alpha(G') \leq \alpha \quad \text{by def of } G'$

$$\Rightarrow \chi(G') \geq \frac{|G'|}{\alpha(G')} \geq \frac{|G'|}{\alpha} = (\# \text{ cliques in } G)$$

We conclude

$$\omega(G') \leq (\# \text{ cliques in } G) \leq \chi(G')$$

a contradiction w/ $\omega(G') = \chi(G')$



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Linear Algebra Methods

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① Perfect graphs

Recall $G = (V, E)$ simple graph, \bar{G} - compl.

$\chi(G) \leftarrow$ chromatic number

$\omega(G) \leftarrow$ clique number

$\alpha(G) = \omega(\bar{G}) \leftarrow$ indep number

Prop $\chi(G) \geq \omega(G)$

Def G - perfect $\Leftrightarrow \chi(H) = \omega(H) \quad \forall$ induced H
of G

Th [Lovász] Weak Perfect Graph Conj

G is perfect $\Leftrightarrow \bar{G}$ is perfect

Ex 1) G - bipartite

2) G - comparability graph of $P = (X, \leq)$

3) \bar{G} - incomparability — \parallel — \parallel

①

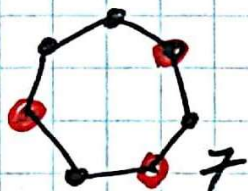
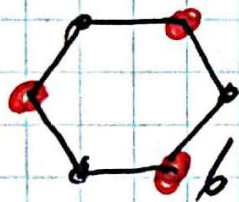
Th [Lovász, 1972] \Rightarrow WPG Conj /

G -perfect \Leftrightarrow $|H| \leq \Delta(H) \omega(H) \quad \forall$ induced H of G

[Diestel, Th 5.5.6]

Ex H - 6-cycle, $\Delta(H) = 3, \omega(H) = 2 \quad \checkmark$

H - 7-cycle, $\Delta(H) = 3, \omega(H) = 2 \quad \times$



Note: used heavily in the proof of Strong Perfect Graph Conj

Proof

\Rightarrow $\forall H$ induced $\chi(H) = \omega(H) \leftarrow$ perfect

$\Rightarrow \exists$ coloring w/ $\omega(H)$ colors
each class coloring has $\leq \Delta(G)$

$\Rightarrow |H| \leq \omega(H) \Delta(H) \quad \checkmark$

\Leftarrow

Use induction on $n = |G|$

If \square holds $\forall H \Rightarrow$ by ind.
all H s.t. $|H| < n$ are perfect.

\Rightarrow suffices to show $\chi(G) = \omega(G)$

assume \square is false

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Obs 1 $\chi(G-U) = \textcircled{1} \omega(G-U) = \textcircled{2} \omega$, $\omega = \omega(G)$

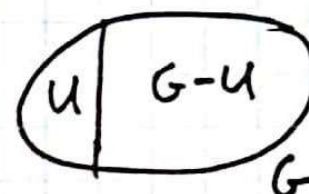
∇ indep. set $U \subset V$, $|U| \geq 1$

Indeed $\textcircled{1} \leftarrow G-U$ is perfect

$\textcircled{2} \leq \leftarrow \checkmark$

$\textcircled{3} < \Rightarrow \chi(G-U) < \omega \Rightarrow \chi(G) \leq \omega$

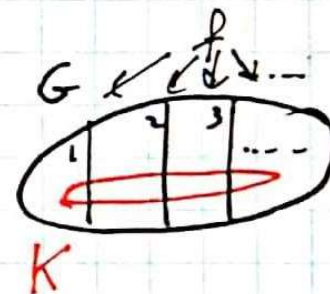
$\Rightarrow G$ -perfect \times \square



Obs 2 $U = \{u\}$, $u \in V$, $f \leftarrow \omega$ -coloring of $G-U$
 $K \leftarrow \omega$ -clique in G

Then

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u \in K \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} K \text{ intersects every color class of } f \text{ except one} \\ u \notin K \Rightarrow \textcircled{2} K \text{ intersects every color class of } f \end{array} \right.$



Let $A_0 = \{u_1, \dots, u_d\} \leftarrow \underline{d}$ -indep. set in G
 $d = d(G)$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_1, \dots, A_w \leftarrow \text{color classes of } \omega\text{-col. of } G-u_1 \\ A_{w+1}, \dots, A_{2w} \leftarrow \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \vdots \end{array} \right.$

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\Rightarrow we have $A_0 A_1 A_2 \dots A_{d+1} \leftarrow$ indep sets in G

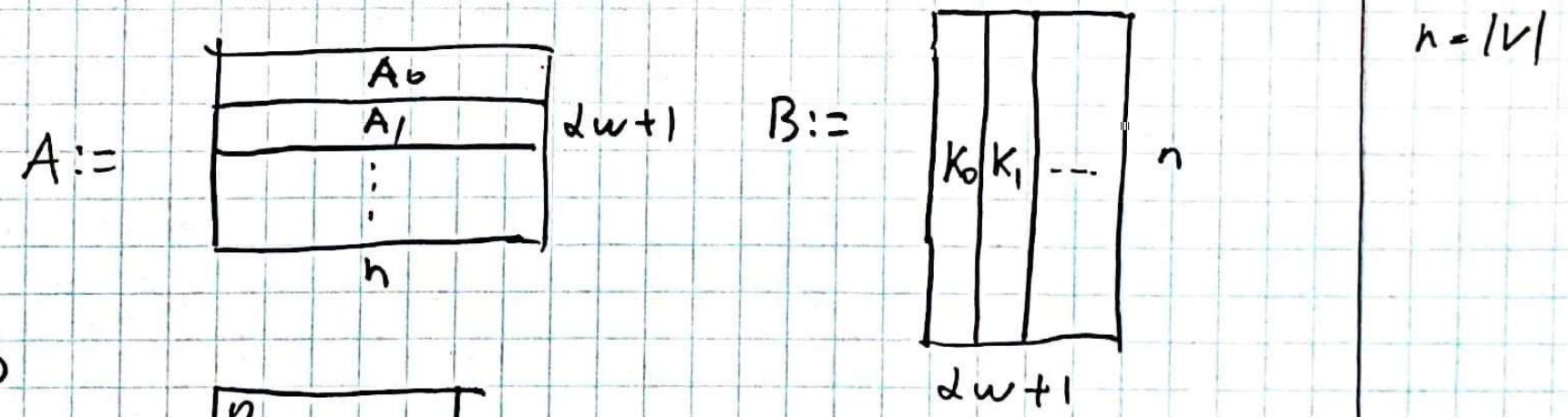
Let $K_i \leftarrow$ ω -clique in G corr by \square to A_i
(in obs)

Summary: \forall ω -clique K in G we have

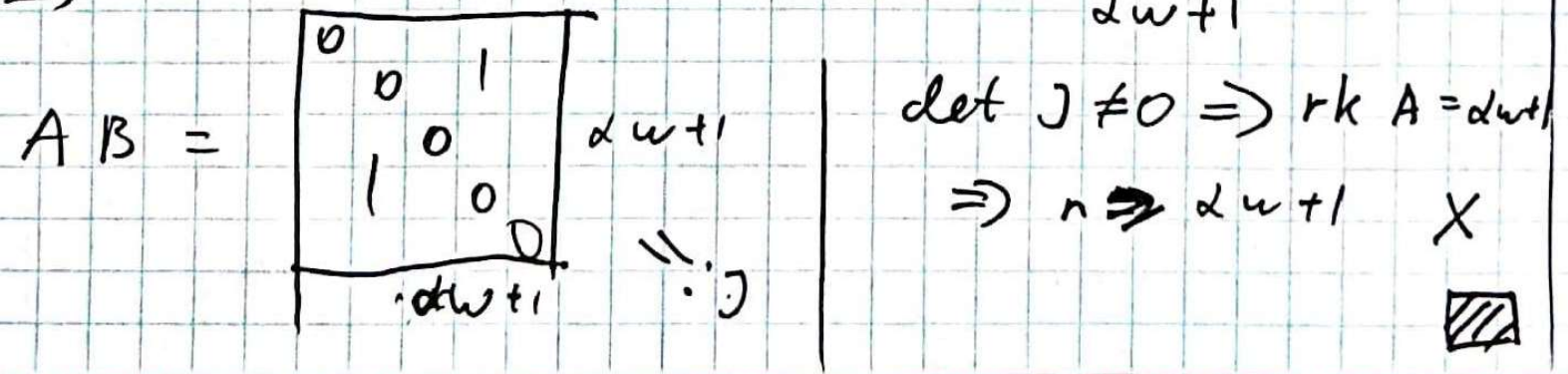
$K \cap A_i = \emptyset$ for exactly one $i \in \{0, \dots, d+1\}$

Indeed $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K \cap A_0 = \emptyset \Rightarrow K \cap A_i \neq \emptyset \text{ by } \square_2 \\ K \cap A_0 = \{u_j\} \Rightarrow K \cap A_i \neq \emptyset \text{ by } \square_1 \end{array} \right.$
 $\forall i \neq j$

Now LA:



Summary \Rightarrow



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② Sets with many equal subset sums

Recall: Prop1 [weak Littlewood-Offord]

$$\forall A \subset \mathbb{R}_+, \quad |A| = n, \quad \forall k > 0$$

$$\#\{S \subseteq A : \sum_{a \in S} a = k\} \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$$

Prop2 $\forall A \subset \mathbb{R}, \quad |A| = n, \quad \forall k$
-/-

$$\triangleright A = \{a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_\ell < 0 \leq a_{\ell+1} \leq \dots \leq a_n\}$$

$$\sum_{a_i \in S} a_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \varepsilon_i a_i + \sum_{i=\ell+1}^n \varepsilon_i a_i, \quad \varepsilon_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\pi: (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_\ell, \varepsilon_{\ell+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \rightarrow (1-\varepsilon_1, \dots, 1-\varepsilon_\ell, \varepsilon_{\ell+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$$

\uparrow
 B_n

Obs $\sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i a_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i' a_i$

$\Rightarrow \pi(\bar{\varepsilon})$ and $\pi(\bar{\varepsilon}')$ are indep in B_n

$$\Rightarrow \#\{\dots\} \leq \text{width}(B_n) = \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \quad \square$$

⑤

Prop 2 \Leftrightarrow worst case $A = \{1, \dots, 1\}$, $k = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$
when $\# \{ S \subseteq A : \sum_{a \in S} a = k \} = \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$

\leftarrow multiset

Th [Stanley, 1980] \neq Erdős-Moser Conj /

Let $c(n) := \# \{ S \subseteq [n] : \sum_{s \in S} s = \lfloor \frac{1}{2} \binom{n+1}{2} \rfloor \}$

Then $\forall A \subset \mathbb{R}_+$ set $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, $\forall x$

$$\# \{ S \subseteq A : \sum_{s \in S} s = x \} \leq c(n)$$

\Leftrightarrow set $\{1, \dots, n\}$
is the worst!

Note: Stanley's original proof uses
Hard Lefschetz Theorem

We present: LA proof of [Proctor, 1982]

⑥

L9 Proof of Erdős-Moser Conjecture

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Th [Stanley, 1980] \neq Erdős-Moser Conj /

$$\text{Let } c(n) := \# \left\{ S \subseteq [n] : \sum_{s \in S} s = \left\lfloor \frac{1}{2} \binom{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor \right\}$$

Then $\forall A \subset \mathbb{R}_+$ set $A = \{a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_n\}$, $\forall x$

$$\# \left\{ S \subseteq A : \sum_{s \in S} s = x \right\} \leq c(n)$$

Note: Stanley's original proof uses
Hard Lefschetz Theorem

We present: LA proof of [Proctor, 1982]

Proof ① ε -M Conj \Leftrightarrow Sperner property
of some poset M_n

② Proof of Sperner property of M_n

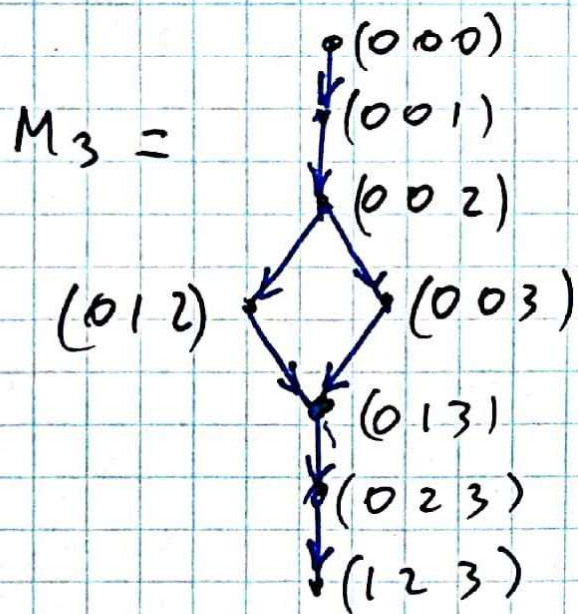
①

Def $M_n = (X_n, \leq)$

$X_n = \{ (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \text{ s.t. } 0 \leq b_i \leq n \ \forall i$
and $0 = b_1 = \dots = b_e < b_{e+1} < \dots < b_n \leq n \}$

Ex $n = 3$

$X_3 = \{ (000), (001), (002), (003),$
 $(012), (013), (023), (123) \}$



Bijection $\pi: 2^{[n]} \rightarrow X_n$

$S = \{s_1, \dots, s_r\} \subset [n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$

$\pi(S) := (00 \dots 0 s_1 \dots s_r)$

$\Rightarrow |X_n| = 2^n$

$\perp \sum \varepsilon_i a_i = \sum \varepsilon'_i a_i \Rightarrow \pi(\bar{\varepsilon}) \& \pi(\bar{\varepsilon}') \text{ indep}$

$\triangleright \begin{pmatrix} \dots & 10 \dots 0 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{\varepsilon}$
 $\begin{pmatrix} \dots & 10 \dots 0 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{\varepsilon}' \leftarrow \text{max, etc.}$

[Lindström, 1970]

②

$$\underline{L} \Rightarrow \# \{ S \subseteq A : \sum_{s \in A} s = x \} \leq \text{width}(M_n)$$

$$\underline{\text{Sperner}} \Rightarrow \text{width}(M_n) = \text{max rk size of } M_n$$

of M_n

Note: $f_n := \sum r_i t^i = \prod_{k=1}^n (1+t^k)$

$r_i = |i\text{-th rank in } M_n|$
 $= \# \{ \bar{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n) : \sum b_j = i \} = R_n(i)$

rank generating function

Sperner property of M_n vs.

$(r_0, r_1, \dots, r_{\binom{n}{2}})$ is symmetric & unimodal

$$r_0 \leq r_1 \leq r_2 \leq \dots \leq r_{\binom{n}{2}/2} \geq \dots \geq r_{\binom{n}{2}}$$

Note: No injection is known!

$$R_n(i-1) \rightarrow R_n(i)$$

Note: We will not construct
 sym. sat. chain decomp, $R_n \stackrel{!}{\leq} \binom{n}{2}$
 just sat chains cont R_n

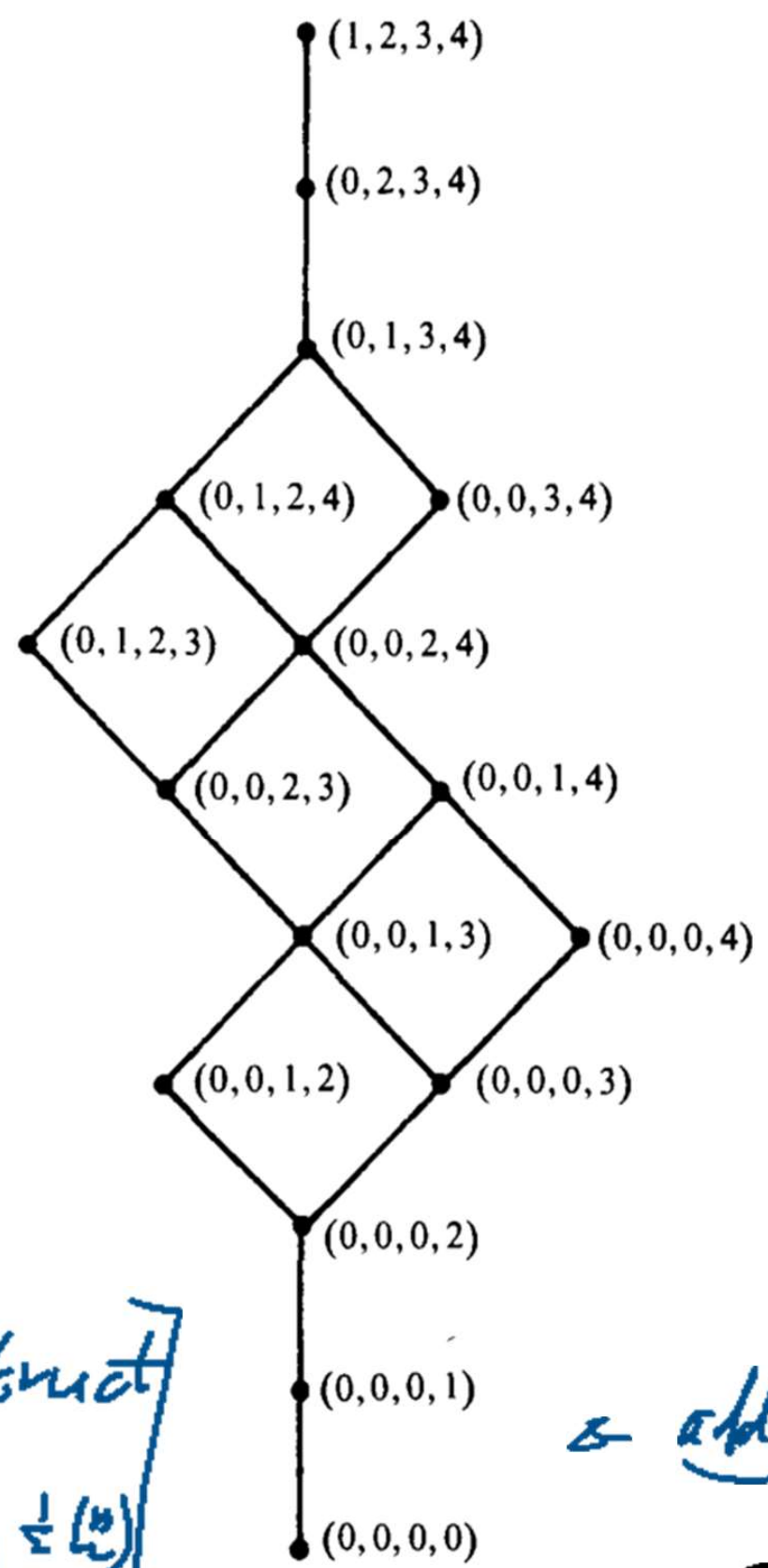


FIG. 5. $M(4)$.

& added

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$$\underline{L} \Rightarrow \#\{S \subseteq A : \sum_{s \in A} s = x\} \leq \text{width}(M_n)$$

$$\underline{\text{Sperner}} \Rightarrow \text{width}(M_n) = \max \text{rk size of } M_n \text{ of } M_n$$

Main Lemma rk sized of M_n are symmetric & unimodal.

$$r_0 \leq r_1 \leq \dots \leq r_N \geq \dots \geq r_{(2)} \quad , \quad r_i = \binom{n}{2} - i$$

where $r_i = \#\{\bar{B} \in X_n, b_1 + \dots + b_n = i\}$

Summary

$$\underbrace{ML + \text{Sperner} + \underline{L}}_{\text{now!}} \Rightarrow \text{Stanley Th } \textcircled{1} \checkmark$$

ε-M Conj

Linear Algebra Approach

[Stanley-slides]

$$V_n := \bigoplus V_n^{(i)}, \quad V_n^{(i)} = \mathbb{C}\langle R_n(i) \rangle, \quad \dim V_n^{(i)} = r_i$$

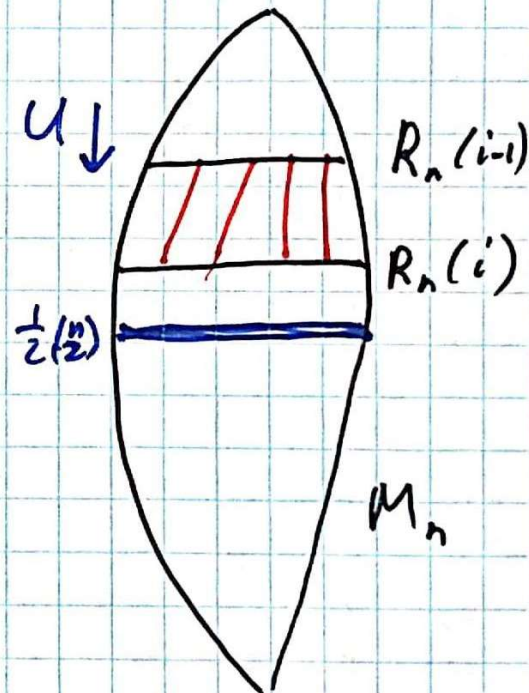
$$U: V_n^{(i-1)} \rightarrow V_n^{(i)}, \quad U \bar{b} := \sum_{\bar{b}' > \bar{b}, \bar{b}' \in R_n^{(i+1)}} \bar{b}'$$

raising operator

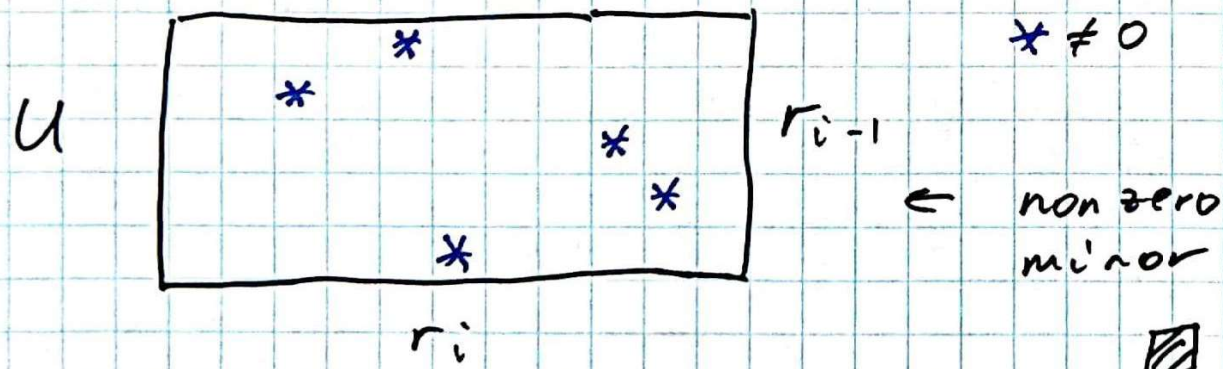
Suppose: U injective $\forall i \leq \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow r_0 \leq r_1 \leq r_2 \leq \dots \leq r_{\frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{2}}$$

Claim $\Rightarrow \exists$ matching P
 $P \leftarrow$ perfect matching in $[M_n |_{i, i-1}]$
 graph $(R_n(i-1) \cup R_n(i), E_n)$



Proof of claim



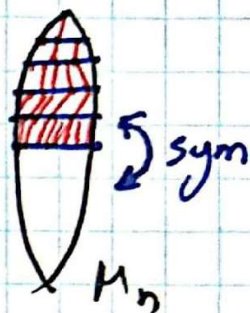
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L1 Raising operator U is injective $\forall i \leq \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{2}$

$L + \text{Claim} \Rightarrow$ ~~symmetric~~ sat. chain decomposition

$\Rightarrow M_n$ has Sperner, rank-unim.

$\Rightarrow E-M$ conj



Def Lowering operator $D: V_n^{(i+1)} \rightarrow V_n^{(i)}$

Let $\bar{b} \in R_n(i)$, $\bar{b}' \in R_n(i+1)$, $\bar{b} < \bar{b}'$

$k :=$ unique index st. $b_k < b'_k$

$$D \bar{b}' := \sum_{\bar{b} < \bar{b}', \bar{b} \in R_n(i)} \underbrace{(n-b_k)(n-b_k+1)}_{c(\bar{b}, \bar{b}')} \bar{b}$$

L2 $D_{i+1} U_i - U_{i-1} D_i = \left[\binom{n+1}{2} - z_i \right] I_i$

I = Identity

/ index \leftarrow level at which operators act /

Proof \leftarrow Exc
of L2

\leftarrow [Proctor]

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Proof of L1

Obs1 $A: V \rightarrow W$, $B: W \rightarrow V$ linear op.

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^{\dim W} \det(1 - \lambda BA) = \lambda^{\dim V} \det(1 - \lambda AB)$$

$\Rightarrow AB$ & BA have same non-zero eig's.

← check this

Obs2 $D_i U_0 = (1) \leftarrow$ positive eig's

$$D_{i+1} U_i - U_{i-1} D_i = \left[\binom{n+1}{2} - z_i \right] I_i$$

Obs1 $\Rightarrow U_{i+1} D_i$ has non-negative eig's.

$$\Rightarrow \forall i \text{ s.t. } [] > 0$$

$\text{eigs}(D_{i+1} U_i) \geq \text{eigs}(U_{i+1} D_i)$ by []*

$$\Rightarrow \text{eig}(D_{i+1} U_i) \text{ are } > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U_i \text{ injective} \quad \square$$

[stanley-slides]

What is going on???

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Recall $sl_2(\mathbb{C})$ Lie algebra $\Leftrightarrow M \in Mat_2(\mathbb{C})$
 $tr(M) = 0$

$$e = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad f = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad h = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[e, f] = h, \quad [h, f] = -2f, \quad [h, e] = 2e$$

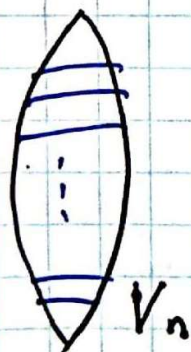
Irreps of $sl_2(\mathbb{C})$: $-\lambda \xrightarrow{e} \dots \xrightarrow{e} \lambda$

/characterized by the highest weight/

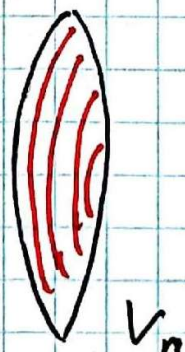
We have $e \leftarrow U$, $f \leftarrow D$
 $h \leftarrow \left[\begin{pmatrix} h+1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - 2i \right] I_i$

L_2 $\leftarrow [e, f] = h$, other rel. similar

Thus (e, f, h) define $sl_2(\mathbb{C})$ -rep on V_n



\Rightarrow



$V_n = \oplus$ irreps

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Def $P = (X, \preceq)$ fin. poset

$$a_k(P) := \max |A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k|$$

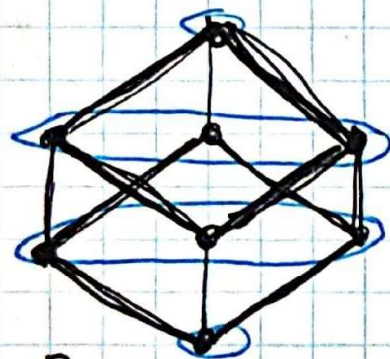
union of k disjoint antichains

$$b_k(P) := \max |C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_k|$$

union of k disjoint chains

so $a_1(P) = \text{width}(P)$, $b_1(P) = \text{height}(P)$

Ex



B_3

$$a_1 = 3$$

$$a_2 = 6$$

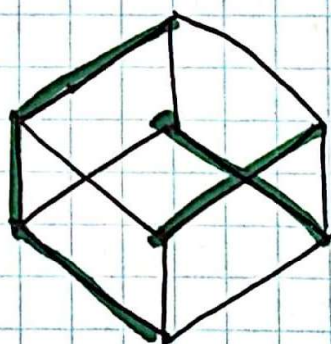
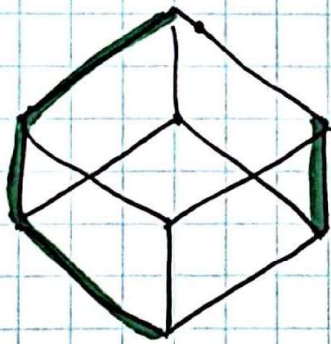
$$a_3 = 7$$

$$a_4 = 8$$

$$b_1 = 4$$

$$b_2 = 6$$

$$b_3 = 8$$



Def $\alpha(P) := (\alpha_1 \triangleright \alpha_2 \triangleright \dots)$

$$\alpha_i = a_i(P) - a_{i-1}(P)$$

$\beta(P) := (\beta_1 \triangleright \beta_2 \triangleright \dots)$

$$\beta_i = b_i(P) - b_{i-1}(P)$$

Ex $\alpha = (3311) \vdash 8$, $\beta = (422) \vdash 8$

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Greene - Kleitman Theory (1976)

Th1 (antichains) $\forall P = (X, \leq)$, $k \leq \text{height}(P)$

$$a_k(P) = \min \sum_i \min\{k, |C_i|\}$$

$$C = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots$$

partition of P into chains

Th2 (chains) $\forall P = (X, \leq)$, $k \leq \text{width}(P)$

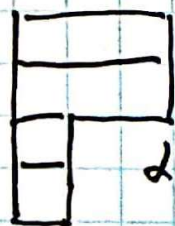
$$b_k(P) = \min \sum_i \min\{k, |A_i|\}$$

$$A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots$$

partition of P into antichains

Th3 $\forall P = (X, \leq)$, $\alpha(P) = \beta(P)'$ conjugate partitions

Ex



$\alpha = (3311)$



$\beta = (422)$

Note

$k=1$

Th1 \leftarrow Dilworth Th

Th2 \leftarrow Prop

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Permutation Posets

$$\sigma \in S_n, \quad P_\sigma = ([n], \prec) \leftarrow i \prec j \Leftrightarrow \underline{i < j, \sigma(i) < \sigma(j)}$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_k(P_\sigma) = \text{max size of } k \text{ increasing subs} \\ \beta_k(P_\sigma) = \text{--- // --- // --- decreasing ---} \end{cases}$$

Th [Greene, 1974] $\alpha(P_\sigma) = \beta(P_\sigma)' = \alpha(P_{\sigma^{-1}}) = \lambda$

where λ is given by RSK: $S_n \xleftrightarrow{\text{RSK}} \bigcup_{\lambda \vdash n} \text{SYT}(\lambda)^2$

$$\text{RSK}(\sigma) = (A, B), \quad \text{shape}(A) = \text{shape}(B) = \lambda$$

RSK =
Robinson-Schensted
(-Knuth) corresp.

Ex $n = 9, \quad \sigma = (5 2 7 3 6 1 9 4 8)$

RSK $5 \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 7 \\ 5 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 \\ 5 \end{matrix}$

$\rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 7 \\ 5 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 9 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 \\ 5 & 7 \end{matrix} \quad A$

$\begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \\ 6 & 8 \end{matrix} \quad B$

$\lambda = (4 3 2)$

Note $a_1 = \lambda_1 = \text{LIS}(\sigma)$

[Schensted, 1961]

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Combinatorial Optimization Proof of Th 1

[Schrijver, §14.6]

/ proofs by Fomin (1974) and Frank (1986) /

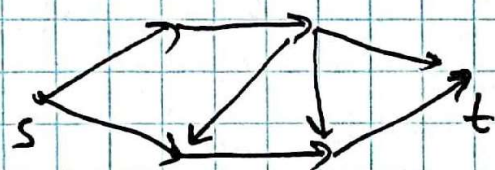
① min-cost circulation problem

Def $D = (V, E)$ digraph $\tau: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ cost function

$\forall f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{cost}(f) := \sum_{e \in E} \tau(e) f(e)$$

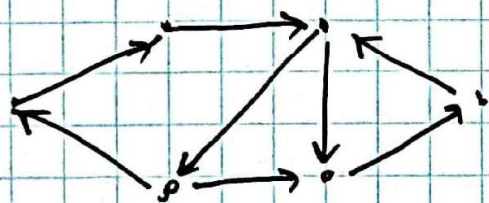
I min-cost s-t flow problem



cost function τ
capacity function c

Want: $\min \text{cost}(f)$, $f \leq c$, s-t flow f

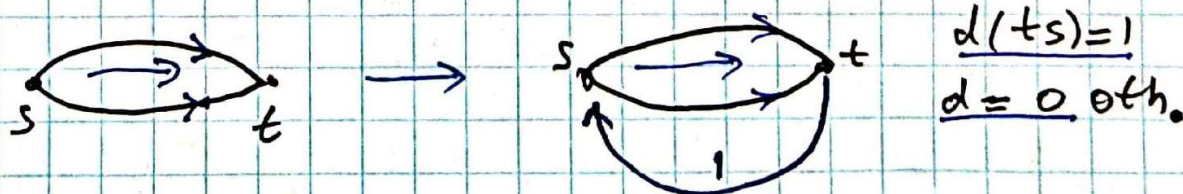
II min-cost circulation problem



cost function τ
capacity function c
demand function d

Want: $\min \text{cost}(f)$, $d \leq f \leq c$
feasible circulation f

Note: I \subset II



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Note min flow \leftarrow [Ford-Fulkerson, 1956]

min circulation \leftarrow [Dinitz, 1970]

[Edmonds-Karp, 1972]

RAND, Santa Monica

MSU, Moscow

Uwaterloo, Berkeley

Def $D = (V, E)$ digraph, $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$D_f := (V, E_f)$ residual digraph

$E_f := \{ e \in E, f(e) < c(e) \} \cup \{ e^{-1}, e \in E, f(e) > d(e) \}$

$e = (uv) \leftrightarrow e^{-1} = (vu), u, v \in V, \xi(e^{-1}) := -\xi(e)$

Def $C \leftarrow$ directed circuit in D_f

$$\chi^C(e) := \begin{cases} 1, & e \in C \\ -1, & e^{-1} \in C \\ 0, & \text{oth.} \end{cases}$$

Th $D = (V, E)$ digraph, $d, c, \xi: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$f \leftarrow$ feasible circulation. Then

f - min cost \Leftrightarrow cost $(\chi^C) \geq 0 \quad \forall C \in D_f$

[Schrijver, §12.2]

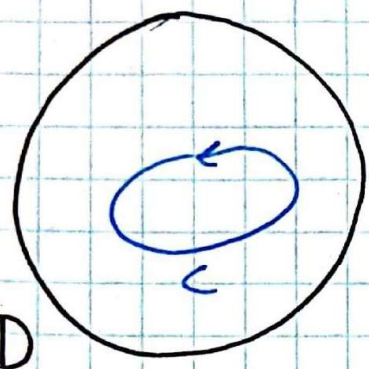
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Proof \Rightarrow

By contradiction, suppose $\exists C \subseteq D_f$

$$\text{s.t. } \text{cost}(\chi^C) < 0$$

Let $f' := f + \varepsilon \chi^C$. Then
 f' -circulation, feasible, $\text{cost}(f') < \text{cost}(f)$ \square



\Leftarrow

Suppose ~~exists~~ $\forall C \subseteq D_f$ directed circuit
 $\text{cost}(\chi^C) \geq 0$. Let $f' \leftarrow$ feasible circulation

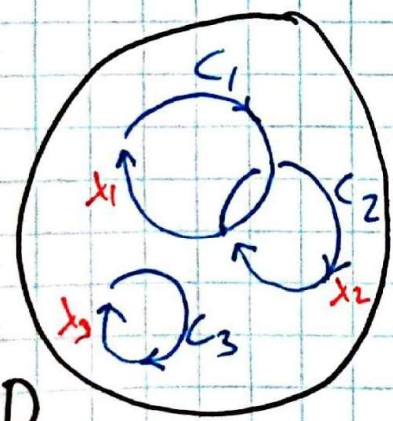
Then $f' - f \leftarrow$ circulation

$$f' - f = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \chi^{C_i}, \quad \lambda_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i$$

$$\text{cost}(f') = \text{cost}(f) = \text{cost}(f' - f)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \text{cost}(\chi^{C_i})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \sum_{e \in C_i} \chi^{C_i}(e) \geq 0$$



\square

(6)

Next time : Proof of Th1 (antichains) ⊕

Th2 (chains) ← analogous ⊖

Th3 (conjugation) ← long accounting ⊖

RSK ← last year, next year

Greene Th ← —|—

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Greene - Kleitman Theory

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Th [G-K, 1976] (antichains) $\forall P = (X, \leq)$

$$a_k(P) := \max |A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k|$$

~~$A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \leftarrow \text{antichains } (i \neq j)$~~

(!)

Then

$$a_k(P) = \min_{C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots = X} \sum_i \min\{k, |C_i|\}$$

$C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset \leftarrow \text{chains}$

Last time :

$D = (V, E)$ digraph, $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$D_f := (V, E_f)$ residual digraph

$$E_f := \{e \in E, f(e) < c\} \cup \{e^{-1}, f(e) > d(e)\}$$

$c, d: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
capacity demand } functions



Th $\forall D = (V, E)$, $d, c, \gamma: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $d \leq f \leq c$
circulation

f - min cost
 $\sum \gamma(e) f(e) = \text{cost}(f)$ \iff cost of every directed circuit in D_f is ≥ 0

(1)

Th2 $D=(V, E)$ acyclic digraph, $B \subseteq E$, $k \geq 1$

Then $\max |B \cap [\cup C_i]| = \min [|B \setminus [\cup P_i]| + k |J|]$

where $\mathcal{C} = \{C_i\} \leftarrow$ at most k directed cuts in D
 $\mathcal{J} = \{P_i\} \leftarrow$ directed paths / can n /

Proof of Th2 $\textcircled{\leq}$ $\Gamma := \cup C_i$, $\Pi := \cup P_i$ Then

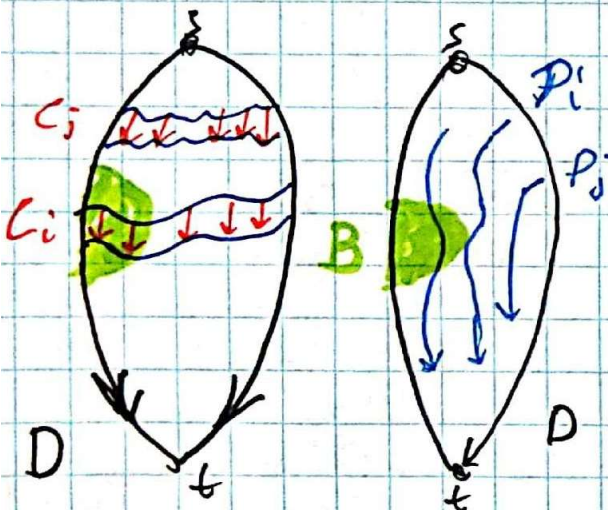
$$|B \cap \Gamma| \leq |B \setminus \Pi| + |\Gamma \cap \Pi|$$

$$\leq |B \setminus \Pi| + k |J|$$

/ since every $|P_i \cap C_j| \leq 1$ /

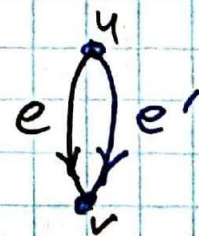
$\textcircled{\geq}$ Assume unique source s & sink t

/ add them otherwise /



Define $\tilde{D} = (V, \tilde{E})$
 $\tilde{E} = E \cup E'$

$$\begin{cases} c(e) = \infty \\ z(e) = 0 \\ \forall e \in E \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} c(e') = 1 \\ z(e') = -1 \\ \forall e' \in B \end{cases}$$



$\textcircled{\oplus}$ $\begin{cases} c(ts) = \infty \\ z(ts) = k \end{cases}$

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Let $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, $0 = d \leq f \leq c$
 /non-negative feasible circulation/

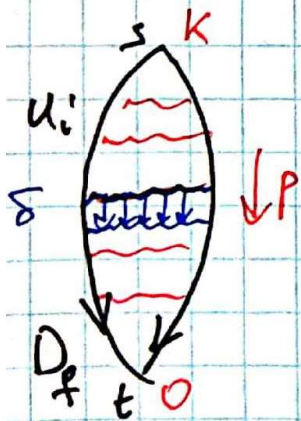
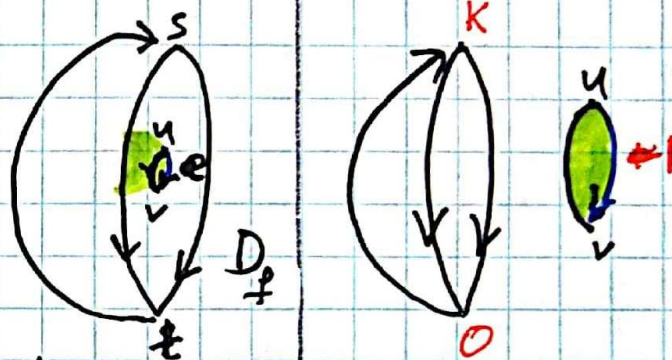
By Th1 $\Rightarrow D_f$ has no negative cost circuits /easy part of \Leftarrow /

$\Rightarrow \exists p: V \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $\forall e = (uv) \in E$

$p(v) \leq p(u)$ w/ \ominus if $f(e) \geq 1$, and

$\begin{cases} p(v) \leq p(u) - 1 & f(e) = 0 \\ p(v) \geq p(u) - 1 & f(e) = 1 \end{cases} \quad \forall e = (uv) \in E$

$\begin{cases} p(t) = 0 \\ p(s) \leq p(t) + k \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 \leq p(s) \leq k \\ p(s) = k \Leftrightarrow f(t,s) \geq 1 \quad \forall \end{cases}$



$U_i := \{v \in V : p(v) \geq i\}$

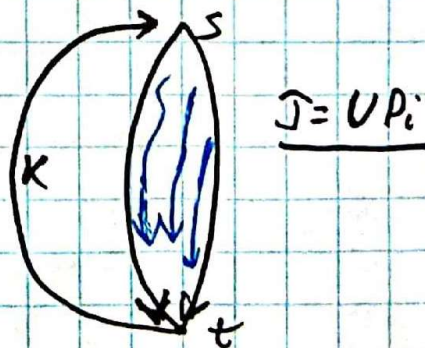
$\Rightarrow \delta_E^{\text{out}}(U_i) \leftarrow$ s-t cut / $s \in U_i, t \notin U_i$ /

$C_i := \delta_E^{\text{out}}(U_i)$, $C := C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots \cup C_k$

$e := \{c_1, c_2, \dots\}$

$f = f_1 + f_2 + \dots$ sum over circuits

remove $(t,s) \Rightarrow P_1, P_2, \dots$



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Obs $\Pi := \cup P_i \Rightarrow B \setminus \Pi = (B \cap \Gamma) \setminus \Pi$ / all action is on Π and Γ

Bookkeeping:

balance eq.

$$e = (u, v) \in B \setminus \Pi \Rightarrow f(e) = 0 \Rightarrow p(v) \leq p(u) - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow e \in \delta^{out}(u, i), i = p(u) \Rightarrow e \in \Gamma \quad \square$$

$$k \cdot |\mathcal{D}| = [p(s) - p(t)] f(t, s)$$

$$= \sum_{e=(u,v) \in E} [p(u) - p(v)] f(e) + \sum_{e'=(u,v) \in B} [p(u) - p(v)] f(e')$$

$$= \sum_{e'} [p(u) - p(v)] f(e') \quad \text{/ either } f(e) = 0 \text{ or } p(u) = p(v) \text{/}$$

$$= |B \cap \Gamma \cap \Pi|$$

$$\Rightarrow |B \setminus \Pi| + k |\mathcal{D}| = |B \setminus \Pi| + |B \cap \Gamma \cap \Pi|$$

$$= |B \cap \Gamma \setminus \Pi| + |B \cap \Gamma \cap \Pi|$$

$$= |B \cap \Gamma| \quad \square$$

/cf. $\textcircled{5}$ in reverse /

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Proof of G-K Th

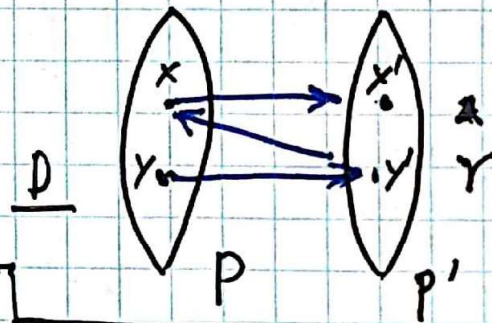
$P = (X, \leq)$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. We want:

$$\max_A |A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k| = \min_C \sum_i \min\{k, |C_i|\}$$

$X = \{x\}$, $X' := \{x'\}$ copy of X , $D := (V, E)$

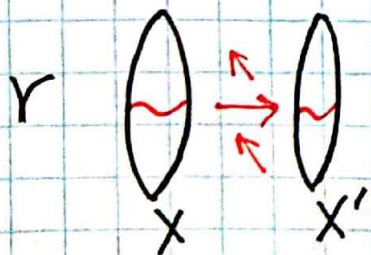
$$\begin{cases} V := X \cup X' \\ E := \{(x, x')\} \cup \{(y', x), y \geq x\} \end{cases}$$

$B := \{(x, x')\}$

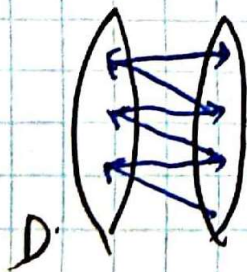


Cuts in D

$B \cap [\cup \text{cuts}] = \cup A_i$ union of max antichains



max antichains A_i



paths in $D \Leftrightarrow$ chains in P
 $(x, x') \Leftrightarrow C = \{x\}$

Exc check \Rightarrow \square

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Poset Theory

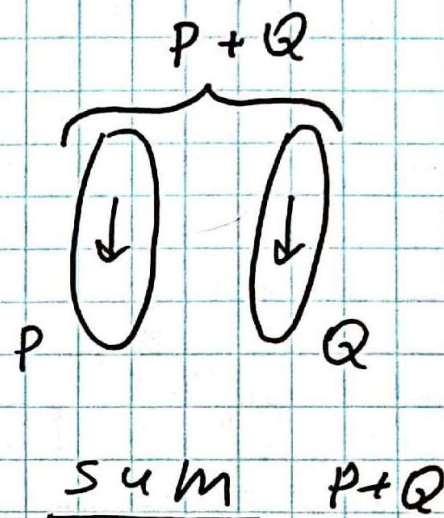
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Operations on posets

(1) $P = (X, \leq)$, $Q = (Y, \leq')$

$P + Q := (X \sqcup Y, \Delta)$

s.t. $\begin{cases} x \Delta x' \quad \forall x \leq x', x, x' \in X \\ y \Delta y' \quad \forall y \leq' y', y, y' \in Y \\ x \not\Delta y \quad \forall x \in X, y \in Y \end{cases}$

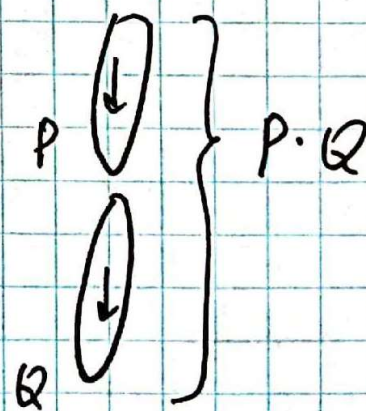


[Trotter survey]

(2) $P = (X, \leq)$, $Q = (Y, \leq')$

$P \cdot Q := (X \sqcup Y, \Delta)$ s.t.

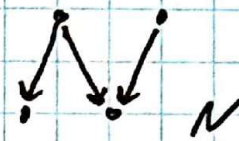
$\begin{cases} x \Delta x' \quad \forall x \leq x', x, x' \in X \\ y \Delta y' \quad \forall y \leq' y', y, y' \in Y \\ x \Delta y \quad \forall x \in X, y \in Y \end{cases}$



Def Posets obtained from \mathbb{P}_1 using
 sum & product operations are series-parallel

Th [HAI, Problem V]

P - series-parallel $\Leftrightarrow P$ is N -free

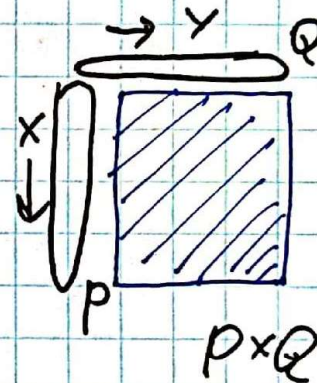


(3) $P = (X, \leq)$, $Q = (Y, \leq')$

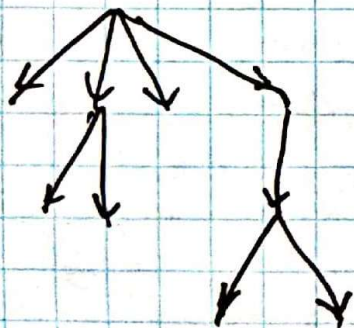
$P \times Q := (X \times Y, \Delta)$ s.t.

$(x, y) \Delta (x', y') \Leftrightarrow x \leq x' \text{ and } y \leq' y'$

cartesian product



Ex



tree posets are series-parallel

(by induction)

Boolean lattice $B_n = \underbrace{P_2 \times P_2 \times \dots \times P_2}_n$

where $P_2 = \textcircled{1}$

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$$(4) \quad P = (X, \leq) \quad , \quad Q = (Y, \leq') \quad , \quad |X| = m \quad , \quad |Y| = n$$

$$Q^P := (F, \triangleleft) \quad \text{where}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F = \{ f: X \rightarrow Y \mid f(x) \leq' f(x') \quad \forall x \leq x', x, x' \in X \} \\ \text{and} \quad f \triangleleft g \Leftrightarrow f(x) \leq' g(x) \quad \forall x \in X \\ f, g \in F \end{array} \right.$$

power poset

Exc/Prop

$$P \times (Q + R) = (P \times Q) + (P \times R)$$

$$P^{Q+R} = P^Q \times P^R$$

Ex

$$B_n = P_2^{A_n}$$

$$P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2-chain

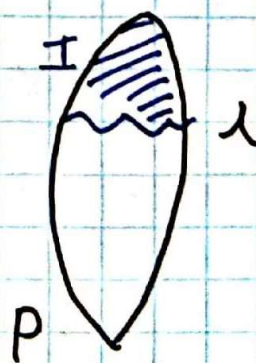
$$A_n = \begin{array}{c} \overset{n}{\text{---}} \\ \bullet \dots \bullet \end{array}$$

n-antichain

$$(5) \quad P = (X, \leq)$$

$$J(P) := (I(P), \triangleleft) \quad \text{where}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} I(P) := \{ I \subseteq X \text{ order ideal} \} \\ \text{s.t. } \forall x \leq x', x' \in I \Rightarrow x \in I \\ \text{and } I \triangleleft I' \Leftrightarrow I \subset I' \end{array} \right.$$



Ex $B_n = J(A_n)$

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Lattices

[Stanley, §3.3]

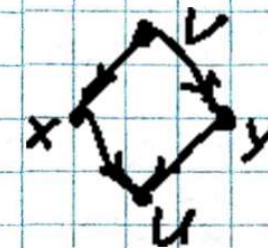
$$P = (X, \leq), \quad x, y \in X$$

Def u - upper bound for $x, y \Leftrightarrow u \geq x, u \geq y$

v - lower bound $\Leftrightarrow v \leq x, v \leq y$

u - least upper bound (join) $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} u \geq x, u \geq y \text{ and} \\ \forall u' \geq x, u' \geq y \Rightarrow u' \geq u \end{cases}$

v - greatest lower bound (meet) $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} v \leq x, v \leq y \text{ and} \\ \forall v' \leq x, v' \leq y \Rightarrow v' \leq v \end{cases}$



$$u = x \vee y$$

$$v = x \wedge y$$

Def $P = (X, \leq)$ s.t. meet & join are well-defined.
is called a lattice

Ex/Prop

$\forall P = (X, \leq) \Rightarrow \mathcal{J}(P)$ is a lattice s.t.
 $I \wedge I' := I \cap I', \quad I \vee I' := I \cup I'$

Ex B_n is a lattice $\boxed{v \leftarrow \cup, \wedge \leftarrow \cap}$

$\mathcal{F}_n(q) = (\{\text{subspaces of } \mathbb{F}_q^n\}, \subseteq)$ is a lattice

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Exc/Prop $P = (X, \perp) \leftarrow$ lattice

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} X \vee (Y \vee Z) = (X \vee Y) \vee Z \\ X \wedge (Y \wedge Z) = (X \wedge Y) \wedge Z \end{cases} \quad \forall X, Y, Z \in X$$

associative
law

Def $P = (X, \perp) \leftarrow$ distributive lattice

if $P \leftarrow$ lattice and

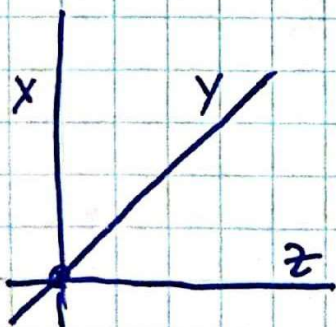
$$\begin{aligned} X \vee (Y \wedge Z) &= (X \vee Y) \wedge (X \vee Z) \\ X \wedge (Y \vee Z) &= (X \wedge Y) \vee (X \wedge Z) \end{aligned} \quad \forall X, Y, Z \in X$$

distributive
law

Exc/Prop $\forall P = (X, \perp) \Rightarrow J(P)$ is a distributive lattice

Ex $B_n = J(A_n)$ is distributive

$\mathcal{F}_n(q)$ is NOT distributive



$x, y, z \in \{ \text{lines in } V/F_q^2 \}$

$$(X \vee Y) = (X \vee Z) = V, \quad Y \wedge Z = \{0\}$$

$$X \vee (Y \wedge Z) = X \neq (X \vee Y) \wedge (X \vee Z) = V$$

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Question:

For vector spaces, $\dim(U + V) = \dim U + \dim V - \dim(U \cap V)$, so

$$\dim(U + V + W) = \dim U + \dim V + \dim W - \dim(U \cap V) - \dim(U \cap W) - \dim(V \cap W) + \dim(U \cap V \cap W),$$

right?

Answer: No, take 3 lines in the plane as in the Example above.

Th [= Fundamental Theorem for Distributive Lattices] [Stanley, §3.4]

$\forall L$ finite distributive lattice

$\exists P = (X, \leq)$ s.t. $L = J(P)$

Def $P = (X, \leq)$, $I \in \mathcal{I}(P)$ order ideal

$I \leftarrow$ principal if $I = \{y \leq x, y \in X\}$
for some $x \in X$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists x$ s.t. $\{y \in X : y \leq x\} = I$

Def $L = (Y, \Delta)$ lattice

$y \in Y \leftarrow$ join-irreducible if

$\nexists s, t \in Y$ s.t. $\begin{cases} s, t \Delta y \\ \text{and } s \wedge t = y \end{cases}$, $s \neq y, t \neq y$

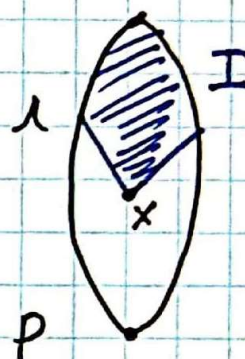
Sketch of proof of FTDL $L = (Y, \Delta)$

(1) $X :=$ set of join-irreducible elts, $P := (X, \Delta)$

(2) check that $J(P) = L$



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Linear Extensions

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Last time: $P = (X, \leq)$

$J(P) := (\mathcal{I}(P), \Delta)$, where

$\mathcal{I}(P) = \left\{ I \subseteq X \text{ order-ideal} \right\}$, $\Delta = "\subseteq"$
(closed under \leq)

Prop: $J(P)$ is a distributive lattice

$$I \wedge I' := I \cap I', \quad I \vee I' := I \cup I'$$

Th [FTFDL = Fundamental Th Finite Distr. Lattices]

$\forall L \in$ finite distr. lattice

$\exists P = (X, \leq)$ s.t. $L = J(P)$

Proof idea: look at join irreducibles
they form desired P

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Def [Linear Extensions]

$P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$

$\mathcal{L}(P) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f: X \rightarrow [n] = \{1, \dots, n\} \\ \text{and} \\ f(x) < f(y) \quad \forall x, y \in X \end{array} \right\}$ s.t. f -bijective

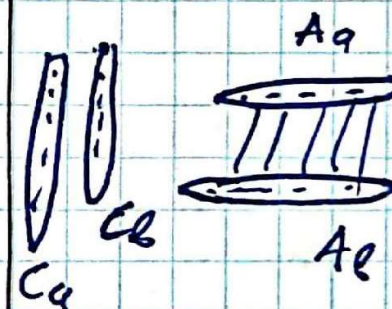
$e(P) := |\mathcal{L}(P)|$ number of linear extensions

Ex 1) $P = A_n \leftarrow$ antichain $\Rightarrow e(P) = n!$

2) $P = \mathbb{I}_n \leftarrow$ chain $\Rightarrow e(P) = 1$

3) $P = C_a + C_b \Rightarrow e(P) = \binom{a+b}{a}$

4) $P = A_a \cdot A_b \Rightarrow e(P) = a! b!$



Prop 1 $e(P \cdot Q) = e(P) e(Q)$, $\forall P = (X, \prec)$
 $Q = (Y, \prec')$

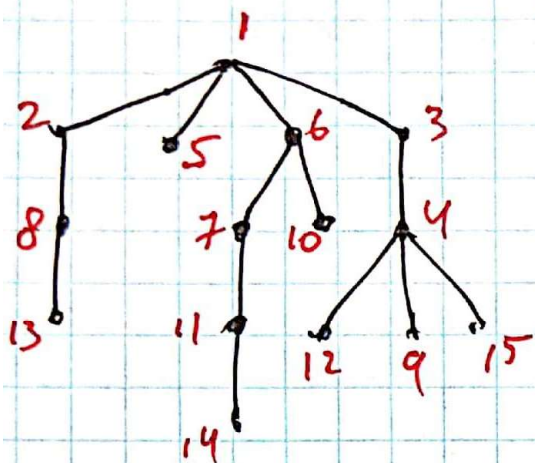
Prop 2 $e(P + Q) = e(P) e(Q) \binom{a+b}{a}$, $|X| = a$, $|Y| = b$

$\Rightarrow e(P)$ can be computed in poly time $\forall P = (X, \prec)$
 $P \leftarrow$ series-parallel.

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EX/EXC

$P \leftarrow$ tree poset (on tree T)



$L(P) =$ increasing trees
of shape T

$e(P) = \# \text{ ——— }$

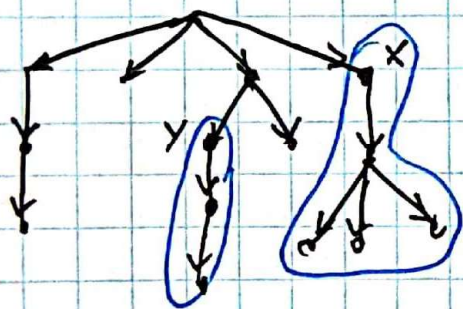
tree T , $n = 15$

Th/Exc $P \leftarrow$ tree poset

$$\text{Then } e(P) = n! \prod_{x \in T} \frac{1}{b(x)}$$

where $b(x) = |I^*(x)|$

Size of the principal order ideal in reverse poset P^*



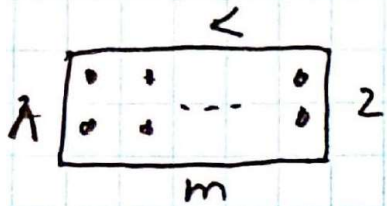
Proof idea: recall that trees are series-parallel

Obs $L(P) = \{ I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_n \mid |I_j| = j \}$ order ideals in P

$=$ maximal chains in $J(P)$

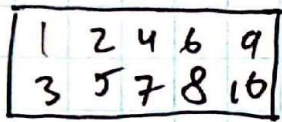
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Ex $P = (X, \prec) \leftarrow 2\text{-dim poset}, X = \{(1i), (2i)\} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m\}$



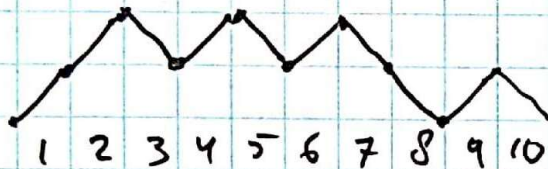
$$n = |X| = 2m$$

Prop $e(P) = \frac{1}{m+1} \binom{2m}{m}$ Catalan number.



$$m=5$$

D (by bijection)



$f(1i) = k \Rightarrow k\text{-th step UP}$

$f(2i) = k \Rightarrow k\text{-step DOWN}$

Ex $P =$  zigzag poset Z_n

$$\Rightarrow e(P) = \# \{ \sigma \in S_n : \sigma(1) < \sigma(2) > \sigma(3) < \sigma(4) > \dots \}$$

$$a_n := e(Z_n)$$

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
a_n	1	1	2	5	16	61	272
C_n	1	2	5	14	42	132	429

Prop / Ex

$$C_n \leq a_{n+1} \quad \forall n$$

Th $a_n \sim \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi}} n! \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^n \quad \left| \quad C_n \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} n^{-3/2} 4^n \right.$

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$$\underline{\mathcal{L}} \quad A(t) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{t^n}{n!} \in EGF, \quad a_0 = 1$$

Then $A(t) = \sec(t) + \tan(t) = \frac{1 + \sin(t)}{\cos(t)}$

$$D \quad a_{n+1} = \sum_{i \text{ even}} \binom{n}{i} a_i a_{n-i} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \frac{\binom{\dots | \dots}{(i+1)}}{\binom{\dots | \dots}{(i+1)}}$$

$$= \sum_{i \text{ odd}} \binom{n}{i} a_i a_{n-i} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \frac{\binom{\dots | \dots}{(i+1)}}{\binom{\dots | \dots}{(i+1)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a_{n+1} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a_i a_{n-i}$$

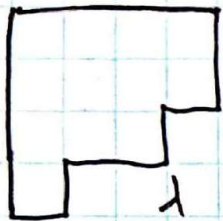
$$\Rightarrow 2A' = 1 + A^2, \quad A(0) = 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{ODE}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1 + \sin(t)}{\cos(t)} \quad \square$$

$\mathcal{L} + \text{complex analysis} \Rightarrow Th$

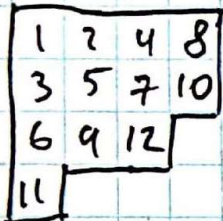
Obs $\Rightarrow a_n$ can be computed in poly time.

Young diagrams



$$\lambda = (4431)$$

$$|\lambda| = 12$$



$A \in \text{SYT}(\lambda)$

$\lambda = (\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots)$ integer part.

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots = n, \quad \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$$

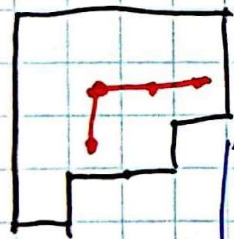
$$|\lambda| = n \quad \leftarrow \text{notation}$$

$\mathcal{P}_\lambda \leftarrow$ partition poset

$\mathcal{P}_\lambda = ([\lambda], <)$ \leftarrow 2-dim poset on Young diag $[\lambda]$

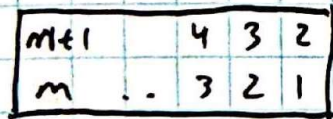
$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}_\lambda) \leftrightarrow \text{SYT}(\lambda)$$

Hook numbers (lengths)



$$h(22) = 4$$

$$h(i,j) = \lambda_i + \lambda_j' - i - j + 1$$



$$\lambda = (m, m)$$

standard Young tableaux of shape λ

$$e(\lambda) := e(\mathcal{P}_\lambda) = |\text{SYT}(\lambda)|$$

f^{λ} in [Stanley] [Segan]

The hook-length formula

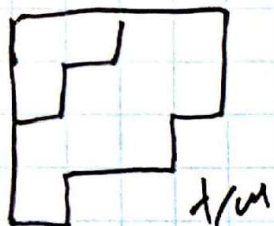
HLF

$$e(\lambda) = n! \prod_{(i,j) \in \lambda} \frac{1}{h(i,j)}$$

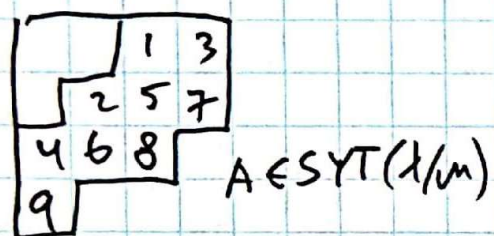
$\Rightarrow e(\lambda)$ can be computed in poly time

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Skew Young diagrams



$\lambda/\mu \leftarrow$ skew Young diag, $\lambda \supseteq \mu$
 $\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i \geq \mu_i \forall i$



$\lambda = (4431)$

$\mu = (21)$

Th [Feit] $|\lambda/\mu| = n! = |\lambda| - |\mu|$

Then $e(\lambda/\mu) = n! \det \left(\frac{1}{(\lambda_i - \mu_j - i + j)!} \right)$

$\Rightarrow e(\lambda/\mu)$ can be computed in poly-time

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Counting Linear Extensions

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Recall $P = (X, \leq)$ finite poset, $|X| = n$

$\mathcal{L}(P) = \{f: X \rightarrow [n] \text{ order preserving bij}\}$

linear extensions

$e(P) = |\mathcal{L}(P)| \leftarrow$ number of linear ext.

Ex

P - series parallel $\Rightarrow e(P)$ has a product formula
/e.g. tree poset P_T

P_λ - poset of squares of Young diagram $\lambda \Rightarrow$ — || —

$P_{\lambda/\mu}$ - — || — skew $\lambda/\mu \Rightarrow e(P)$ has a det formula

$\lambda/\mu \in$ zigzag MM... \Rightarrow EGF

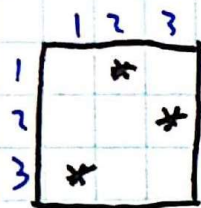
Today: more on $e(P)$ in special cases
estimates on $e(P)$

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Permutation & 2-dim posets

$$\sigma \in S_n, P_\sigma = ([n], \leq), i < j \Leftrightarrow i < j, \sigma(i) < \sigma(j)$$

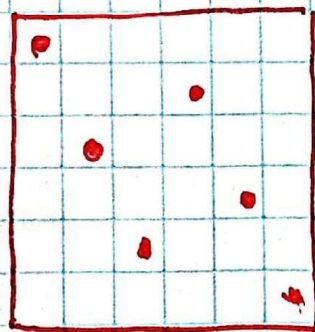
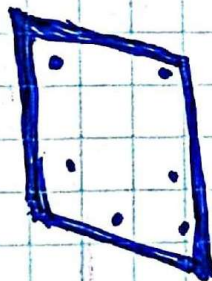
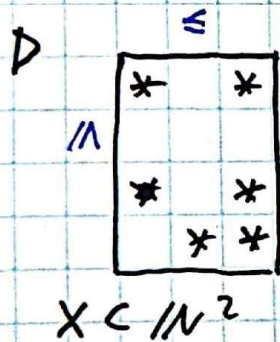
Obs Every P_σ is 2-dim.



$$\sigma = (231)$$

$$\text{so } 1 < 2 \Leftrightarrow \sigma(1) < \sigma(2)$$

Prop Every 2-dim poset $\cong P_\sigma$ some $\sigma \in S_n$



$$\sigma \in S_n$$

$$n = |X|$$



Def Bruhat order on S_n (weak B.o.)

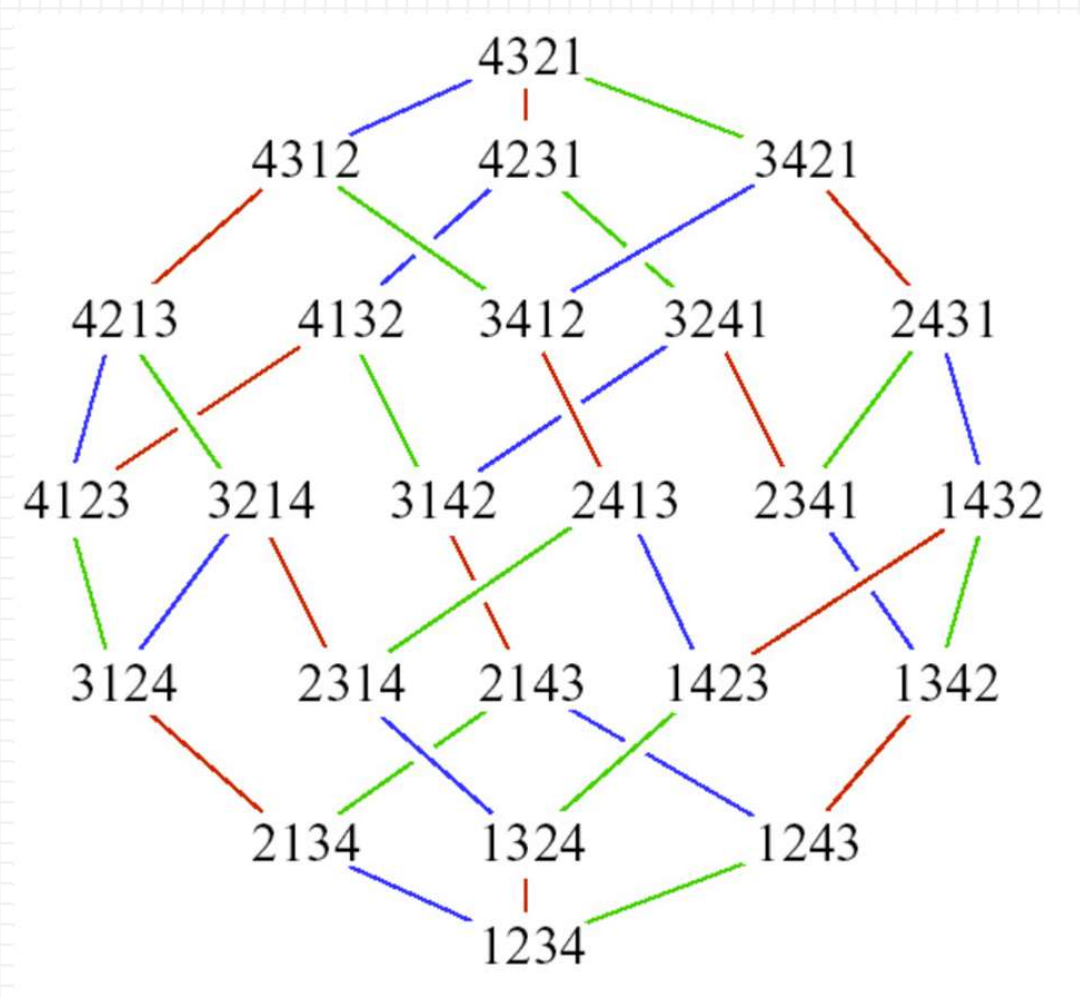
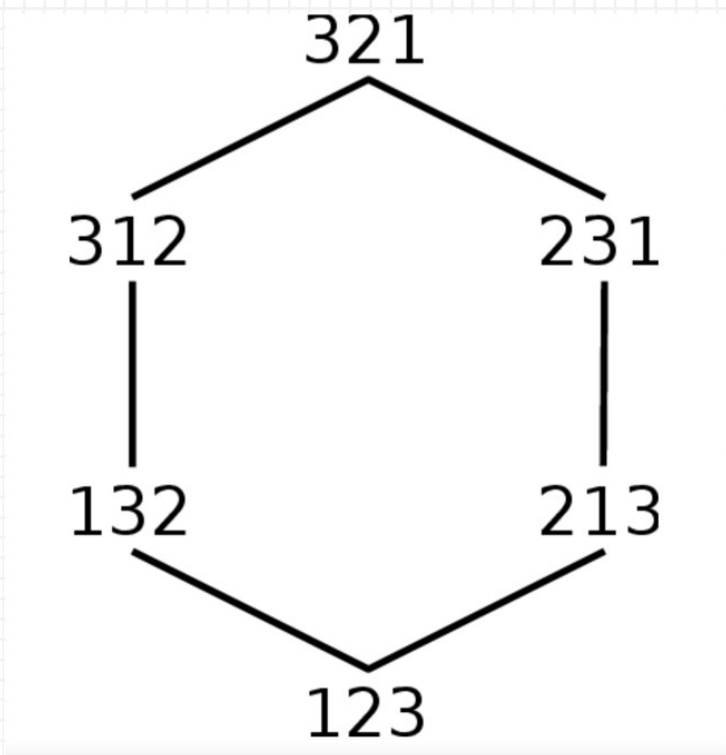
$$\text{Bruhat}_n := (S_n, <_B) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \sigma <_B \tau \iff$$

$$\tau = \sigma (i_1 i_1+1) (i_2 i_2+1) \dots (i_\ell i_\ell+1)$$

$$\text{and } \text{inv}(\tau) = \text{inv}(\sigma) + \ell$$

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Weak Bruhat order examples (upside down)



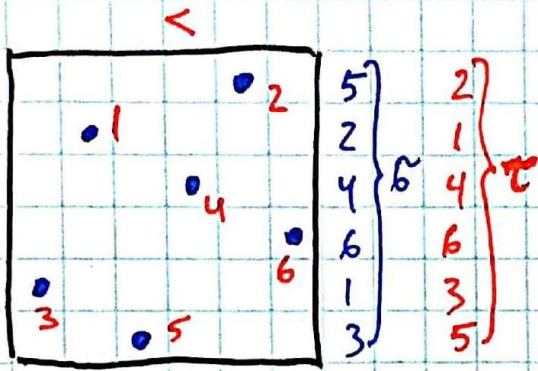
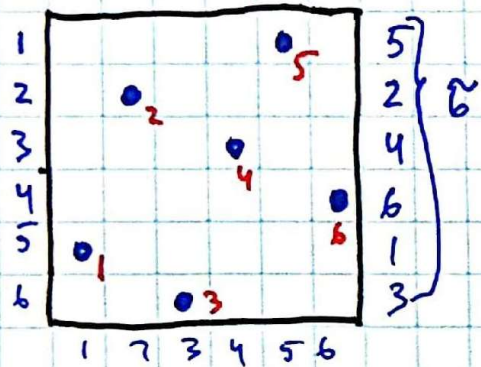
$$\text{inv}(\sigma) = \# \{ (i, j), i < j, \sigma(i) > \sigma(j) \}$$

e.g. $\text{inv}(2413) = 3$

Th $\forall \sigma \in S_n \quad e(P_\sigma) = \# \{ \tau \in S_n, \tau \leq_B \sigma \}$
 /size of the principal order ideal in Bruhat/

$\triangleright \sigma = (524613)$

$(214635) = \tau$



$\text{rest} \in \text{Exc}$

$(315426) = \tau'$



Th [Brightwell-Winkler, 1991]

computing $e(P)$ is #P-complete

Th [Dittmer-P., 2018]

computing $e(P_\sigma)$ is #P-c $\iff \dim(P) = 2$

Th [—|—]

computing $e(P)$ is #P-c, $\text{height}(P) = 2$

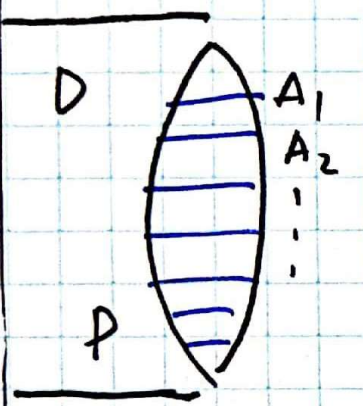
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Bounds on $e(P)$

Prop 1 $P = (X, \prec)$, $\mathcal{A} = (A_1, A_2, \dots)$ anti chain partition

Suppose $A_i \prec A_j \forall i < j$

Then $e(P) \geq |A_1|! |A_2|! \dots$

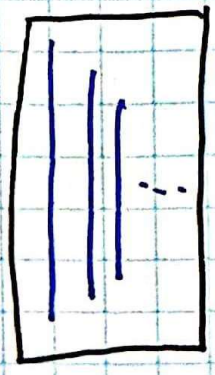


all permutations of A_i can be concatenated into LE of P



Prop 2 $P = (X, \prec)$, $\mathcal{C} = (C_1, C_2, \dots)$ chain partition

Then $e(P) \leq \frac{n!}{|C_1|! |C_2|! \dots}$



$C_1 + C_2 + \dots$

$$e(P) \leq e(C_1 + C_2 + \dots)$$

$$\leq \frac{n!}{|C_1|! |C_2|! \dots}$$

/series-parallel poset/



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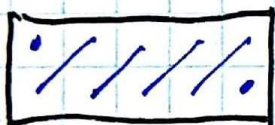
Th [Bochkov - Petrov, 2019]

$P = (X, <)$, $|X| = n$, $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots) \in \underline{Gk\ part}$

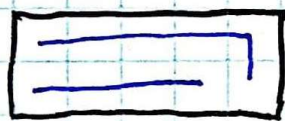
Then $e(P) \leq \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \lambda_2! \dots}$, $e(P) \approx (\lambda_1')! (\lambda_2')! \dots$

and these ineq are stronger than Prop 1, Prop 2

Ex $P_{(m,m)} \leftarrow$ Catalan poset, $n = 2m$, $e(P) = \frac{1}{m+1} \binom{2m}{m}$



$\lambda = (m, m)$



LB = 2^{m-1} , UB = $\frac{2m!}{(m+1)! (m-1)!}$

$e(P) \sim C \frac{4^m}{m^{3/2}}$

Prop 3 $e(P) \leq \text{width}(P)^n$

\triangleright By induction, $\exists \leq w = \text{width of } P$ ways to place n (\Leftrightarrow assign $f(n)$)



Ex For P_{mm} Catalan poset $\Rightarrow e(P) \leq 2^n = 4^m$

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Ex $P = Z_n$ zigzag poset 

$$e(Z_n) \sim C n! \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^n \quad \text{Euler numbers} \quad n=2m$$

LB: $e(Z_n) \gg \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)!^2 = m!^2 = n! \binom{n}{n/2}^{-1} \approx n! \cdot 2^{-n} \Theta(\sqrt{n})$
Prop1

UB Prop2 $\Rightarrow e(Z_n) \leq n! 2^{-m} = n! \left(\sqrt{2}\right)^{-n}$

Prop3 $\Rightarrow e(Z_n) \leq m^n = \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^n, \quad n! \leq \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^n$

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Counting Linear Extensions

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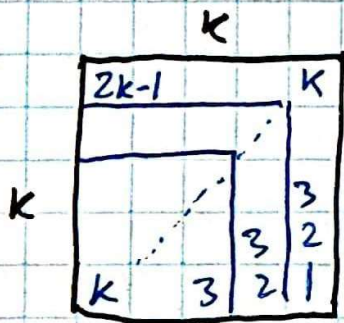
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Best time: $P = (X, \lambda)$, $|X| = n$

$$P = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots \Rightarrow e(P) \leq \frac{n!}{|C_1|! |C_2|! \dots}$$

$$P = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \Rightarrow e(P) \geq |A_1|! |A_2|! \dots$$

Ex $\lambda = (k^k) = (\underbrace{k, \dots, k}_k)$, $n = k^2$



$$\text{HLF} \Rightarrow e(\mathcal{P}_\lambda) = \frac{n!}{\prod h(i,j)} = \frac{n!}{(1 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 3^3 \dots k^k) \times (k+1)^{k-1} \dots (2k-1)}$$

$$= \frac{n! \Phi(k-1)^2}{\Phi(2k-1)}$$

where $\Phi(m) = 1! \cdot 2! \cdot \dots \cdot m!$

superfactorial

Stirling

$$\log n! = n \log n - n + O(\log n)$$

Barnes

$$\log \Phi(m) = m^2 \log m - \frac{3}{4} m^2 + O(m \log m)$$

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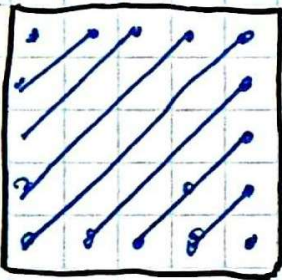
\Rightarrow log HLF

$$\log e(k^k) = \log n! \frac{\Phi(-k+1)^2}{\Phi(2k-1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} n \log n + \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \log 2\right) n + O(\sqrt{n} \log n)$$

-0.8863

LB

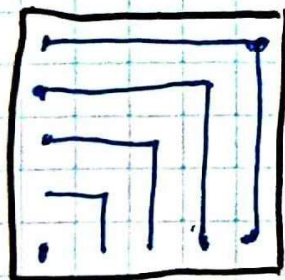


$$e(k^k) \geq \Phi(k) \Phi(k-1)$$

$$\log e(k^k) \geq \frac{1}{2} n \log n - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) n + O(\sqrt{n} \log n)$$

-1.5

UB



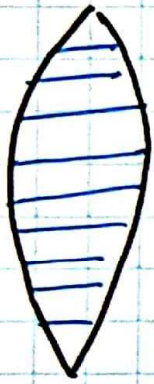
$$e(k^k) \leq \binom{n}{2k-1, 2k-3, \dots, 1} = \frac{n!}{(2k-1)! (2k-3)! \dots}$$

$$\log e(k) \leq \frac{1}{2} n \log n + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \log 2\right) n + O(\sqrt{n} \log n)$$

-0.1931

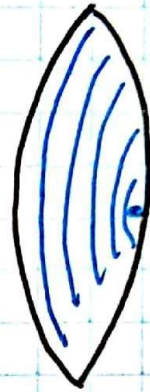
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Boolean Lattice example



$$e(B_n) \geq \prod_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}! \quad \leftarrow \text{LB}$$

$$e(B_n) \leq n! \left[\prod_{k=1}^m (2k-1)! \binom{n}{2k} \binom{n}{2k-1} \right]^{-1}$$



$n = 2m - 1$

$$\Rightarrow \log e(B_n) = (n+1) 2^n \log 2 - 2^{n-1} \log(2\pi n)$$

[Kleitman-Sha]
1987

$$+ \underbrace{O(1)}_c 2^n + \underline{\underline{O(1)}}$$

where

$$\text{LB} \Rightarrow c \geq -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{UB} \Rightarrow c \leq -\frac{1}{2}$$

Th [Brightwell-Tetali, 2003]

$$c = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Moreover [Kahn-Kim, 1995] + [B-T] \Rightarrow

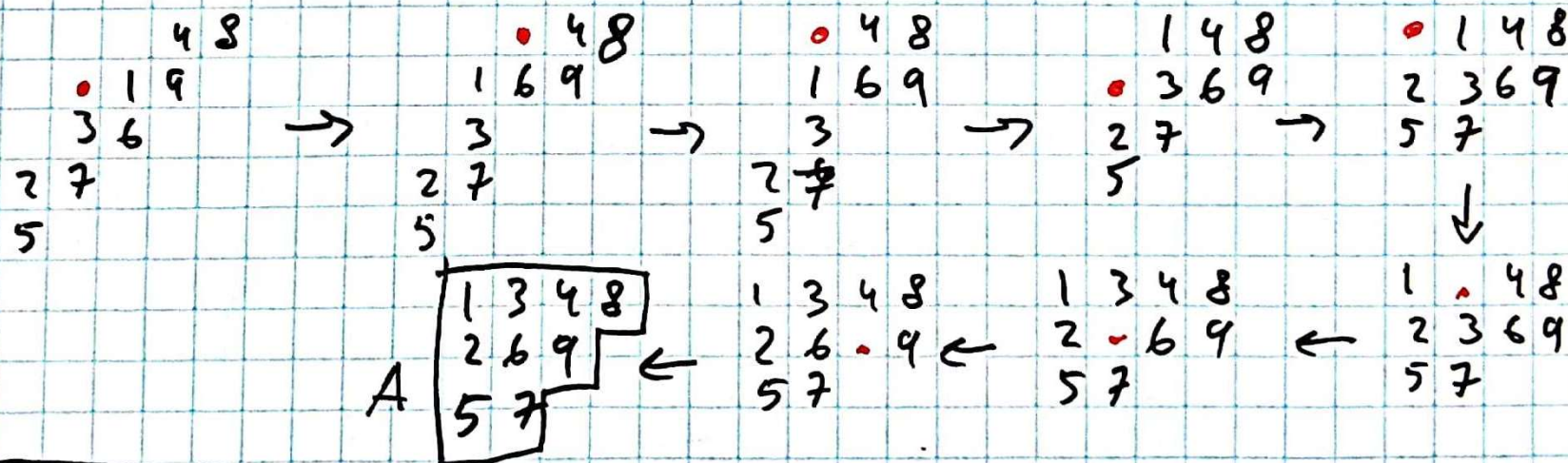
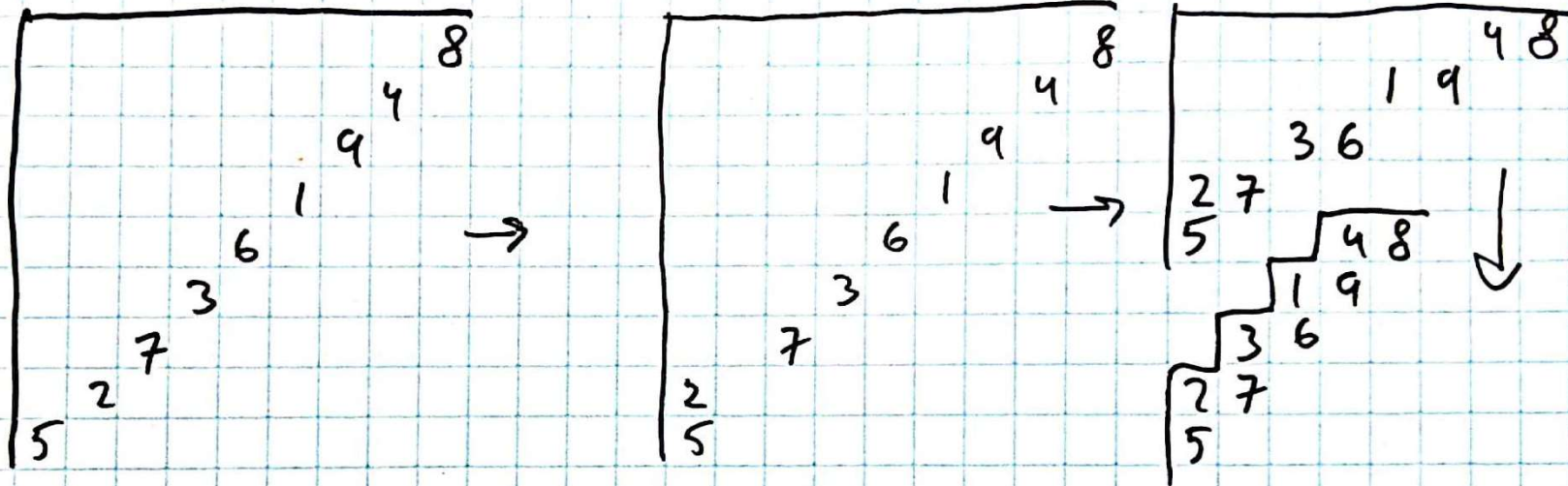
$$e(P) \leq \prod r_i^{r_i} \quad \forall P \text{ w/ LYM and IR: } r_i$$

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Schützenberger's Promotion

(1) Jeu-de-taquin

$$G = (527361948)$$



Th [Schützenberger, 1980] $RSK(G) = (A, B)$

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Permutation Posets

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$$\sigma \in S_n, \quad P_\sigma = ([n], \prec) \leftarrow i \prec j \Leftrightarrow \underline{i < j, \sigma(i) < \sigma(j)}$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_k(P_\sigma) = \text{max size of } k \text{ increasing subs} \\ \beta_k(P_\sigma) = \text{---} \text{ // --- } \text{ // --- decreasing \text{---} \text{ // ---} \end{cases}$$

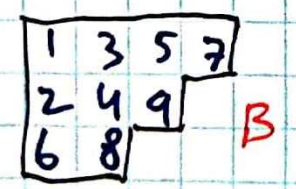
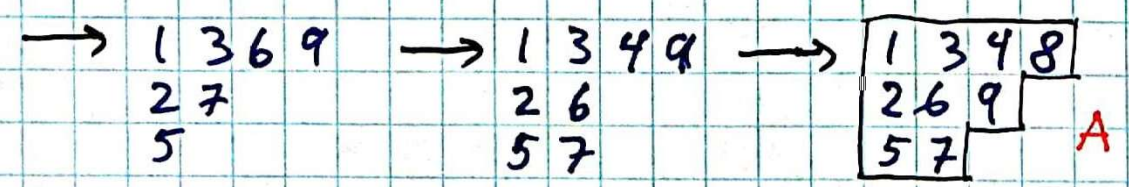
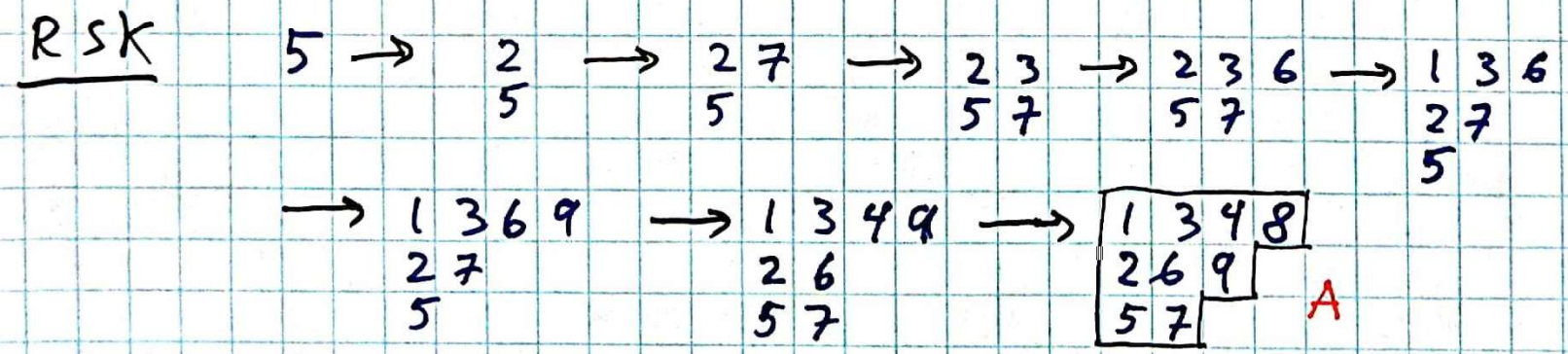
Th [Greene, 1974] $\alpha(P_\sigma) = \beta(P_\sigma)' = \alpha(P_{\sigma^{-1}}) = \lambda$

where λ is given by RSK: $S_n \xleftrightarrow{\text{RSK}} \bigcup_{\lambda \vdash n} \text{SYT}(\lambda)^2$

$$\text{RSK}(\sigma) = (A, B), \quad \text{shape}(A) = \text{shape}(B) = \lambda$$

RSK =
Robinson-Schensted
(= Knuth) corresp.

Ex $n = 9, \quad \sigma = (5 2 7 3 6 1 9 4 8)$



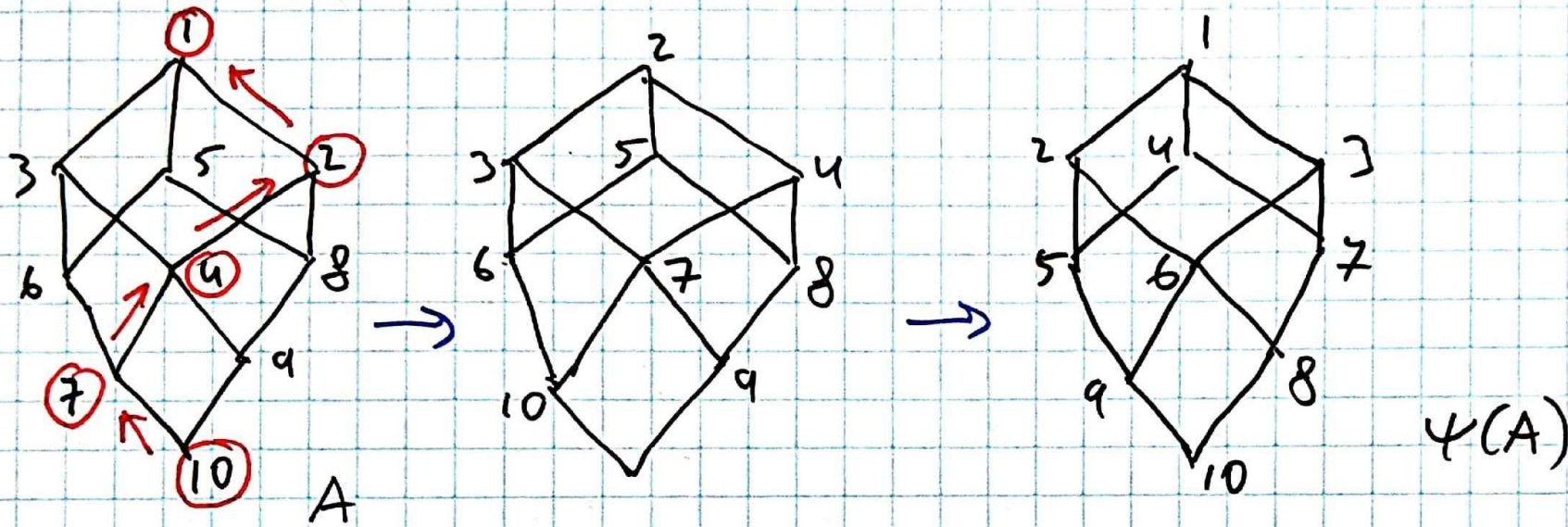
$$\lambda = (4 3 2)$$

Note $a_1 = \lambda_1 = \text{LIS}(\sigma)$
[Schensted, 1961]

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(2) General LE of posets

Promotion [Schützenberger, 1968] Ψ



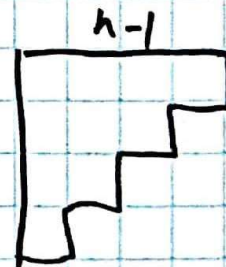
Th [Lascoux-Schützenberger]

[max chains in Bruhat_n] = # SYT of

= # reduced factorizations

of $(n \ n-1 \ \dots \ 2 \ 1) = (i_1 \ i_1+1) (i_2 \ i_2+1) \dots (i_n \ i_n+1)$

$n = \binom{n}{2} = \text{inv}(n \ n-1 \ \dots \ 1)$



[Stanley, 1980]

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$$A = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & \\ 4 & & \end{matrix}$$

$$\psi(A) = \begin{matrix} 2 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & \sqcup & \\ 4 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & \\ 3 & & \end{matrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & \\ 3 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & \\ \sqcup & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & \\ 6 & & \end{matrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & \\ 6 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & \sqcup & \\ 6 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 & \\ 5 & & \end{matrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 & \\ 5 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 3 & \sqcup \\ 4 & 6 & \\ 5 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & \\ 4 & & \end{matrix} \quad (3)$$

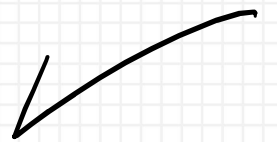
$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & \\ 4 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & \sqcup & \\ 4 & & \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & \\ 3 & & \end{matrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{l} 145 \\ 26 \\ 3 \end{array} & \rightarrow & \begin{array}{l} 245 \\ 36 \\ \sqcup \end{array} & \rightarrow & \begin{array}{l} 134 \\ 25 \\ 6 \end{array} & \textcircled{1}
 \end{array}$$

\Rightarrow reduced factorization

$$\underline{212321}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\rightarrow (23)(12)(23)(34)(23)(12) \\
 &= (32145)(34)(23)(12) \\
 &= (54321)
 \end{aligned}$$

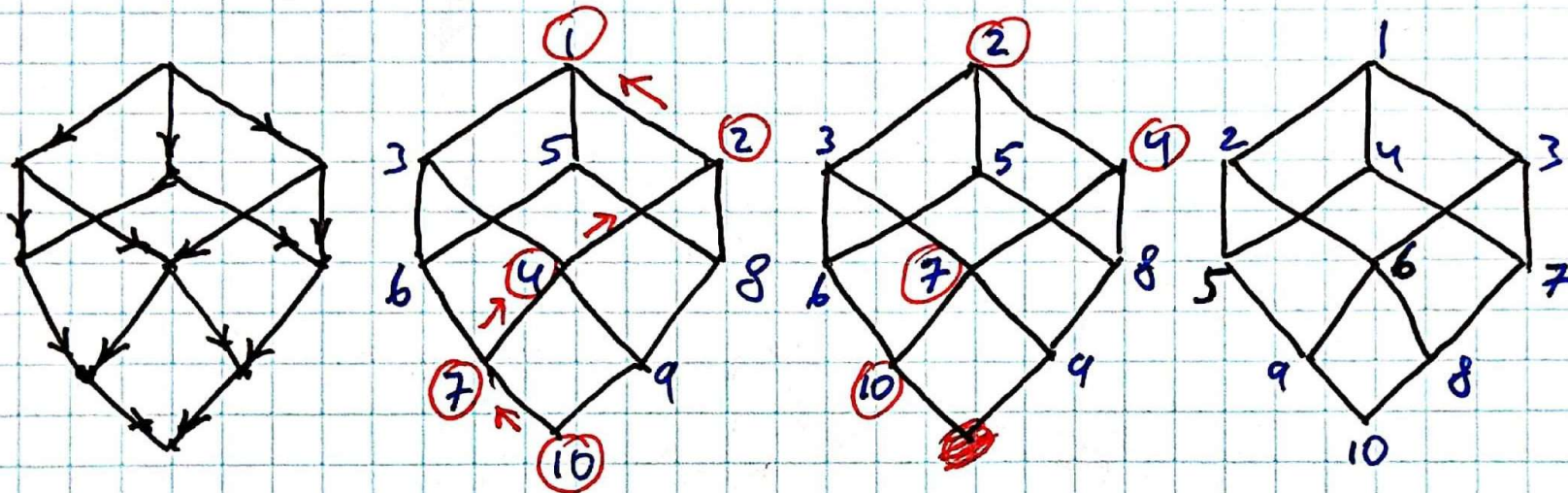


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Linear Extensions & Actions

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Recall: promotion [Schützenberger, 1972] Ψ



$$P = (X, \prec), \quad \Psi: LE(P) \rightarrow LE(P) \text{ bij}$$

Last time: iterated promotion was used
 to obtain a bijection
 of $SYT(n-1, n-2, \dots, 2, 1)$ and
 max chains in $Bruhat_n$

/ Lascoux - Schützenberger bijection /

[see Ex in L15
/no proof/

[Edelman - Greene,
[Garsia]

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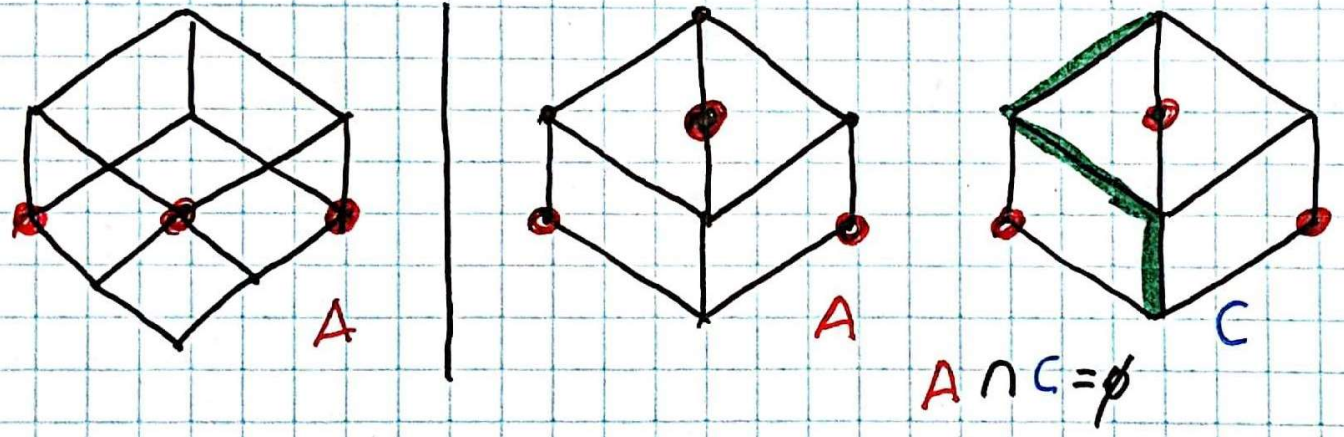
Th [Edelman-Hibi-Stanley, 1989]

Let $P = (X, \leq)$, $A \subseteq X$ max antichain

Further, suppose A intersects every max chain in P . Then

$$e(P) = \sum_{x \in A} e(P-x)$$

Ex



Obs

$A = \{ \text{min elts in } P \}$

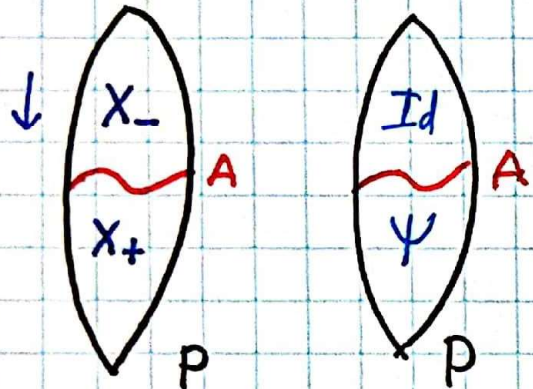
\Rightarrow A intersects every max chain C in P

$\Rightarrow e(P) = \sum_{x \in A} e(P-x) \leftarrow \text{obvious}$

Proof of E-H-S Thm

Construct a bijection

$$\Phi: LE(P) \leftrightarrow \bigcup_{x \in A} LE(P-x)$$



$$X = X_- \sqcup X_+, \text{ where}$$

$$X_- = \{x \in X : x \prec a, a \in A\}$$

$$X_+ = \{x \in X : x \succ a, a \in A\}$$

Let

$$Q \in LE(P-x), x \in A$$

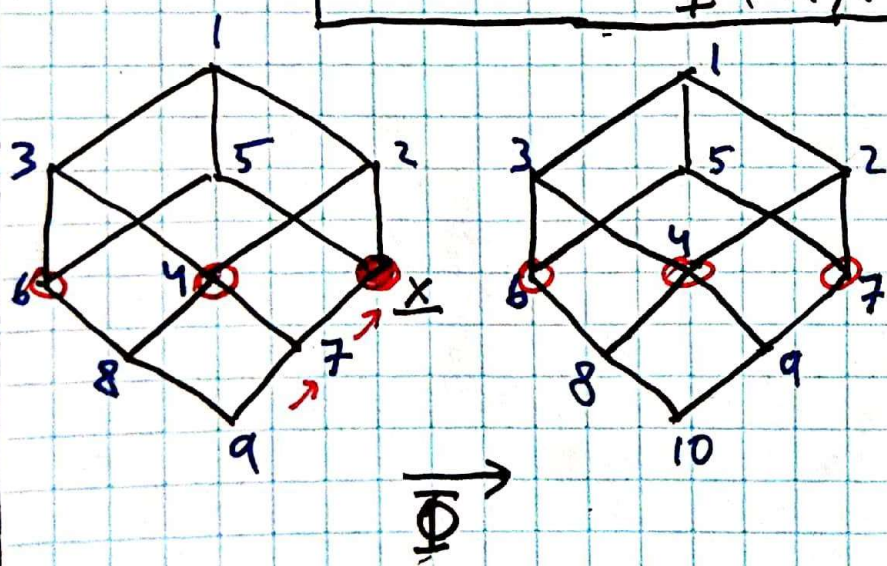
$$\Phi(Q) := Q|_{X_-} + \tilde{\Psi}(Q|_{X_+})$$

Claim 1) Φ is valid

2) Φ is invertible

For 2) use $\tilde{\Psi}^{-1}|_{X_+ \cup A}$

← no relabeling



$x \in A$

Note: algorithmically useless

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Th $P = (X, \leq)$, $P' = (X', \leq')$

$\Gamma = \text{com}(P)$, $\Gamma' = \text{com}(P')$ comparability graphs

Then $\Gamma \cong \Gamma' \Rightarrow e(P) = e(P')$

D In Γ we have:

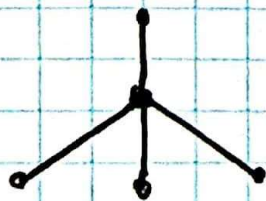
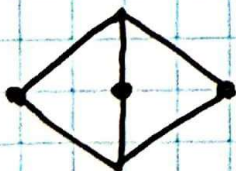
antichains \leftrightarrow indep sets } max
chains \leftrightarrow cliques


\Rightarrow assumptions in EHS Th are graph theoretic / depend only on Γ /

Obs: $\text{com}(P-x) = \text{com}(P) |_{X-x}$
/induced subgraph/

\Rightarrow Th follows by induction \square

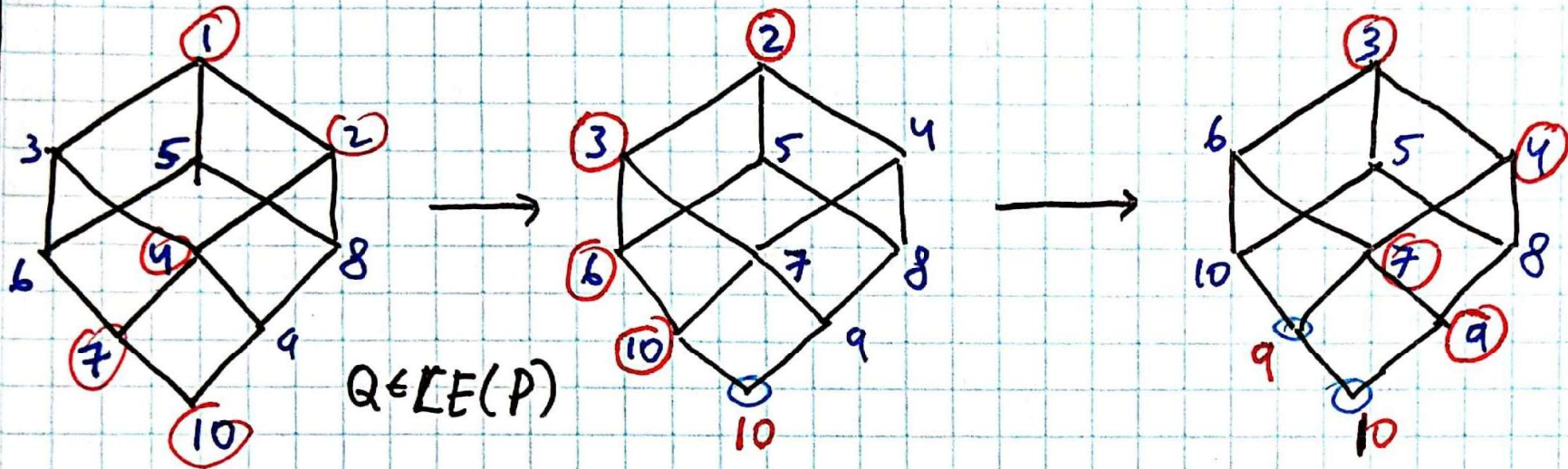
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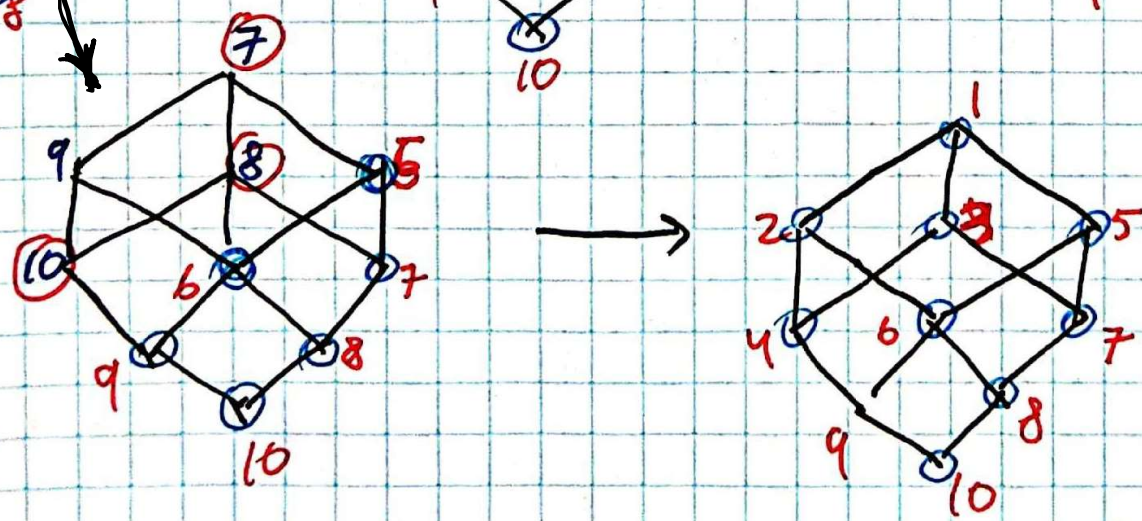
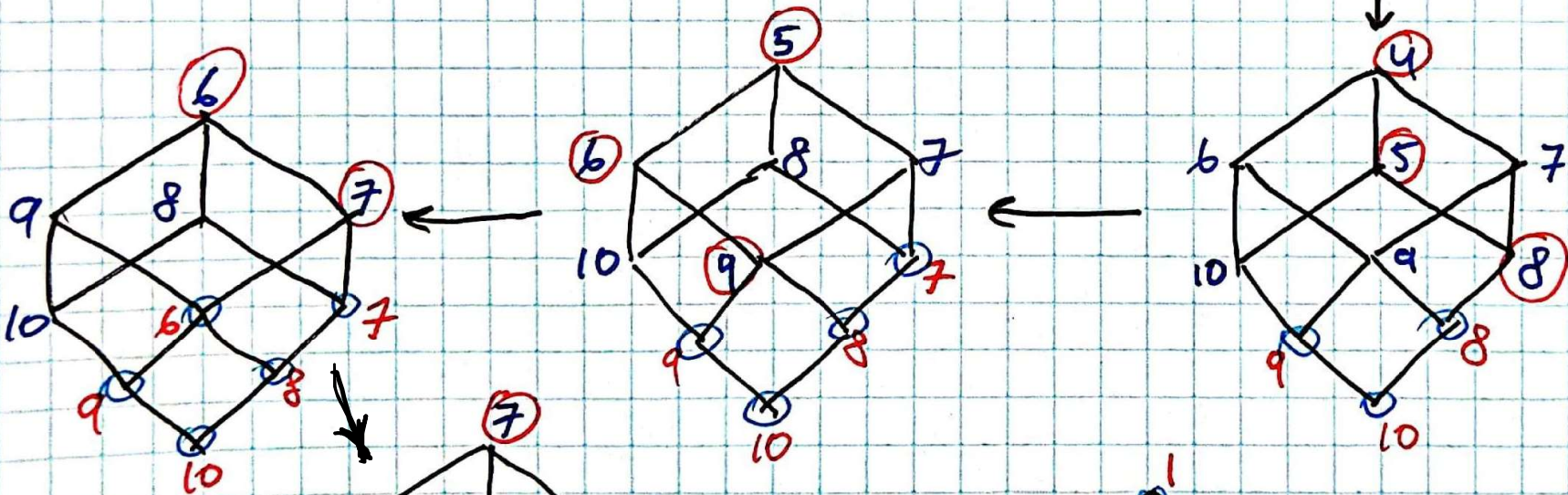
$\bar{\Gamma} = \text{incomp of } P, P'$
 $=$  $\cong K_3 + K_2$

④

Evacuation [Schützenberger, 1972] 2



$Q \in LE(P)$



$Z(Q) \in LE(P)$

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Th [Schützenberger, 1972] $P = (X, *)$, $|X| = n$

[Stanley survey]

Let ψ - promotion on P

ψ^* - dual promotion on $P \leftarrow [\psi(P^*)]^*$

η - evacuation on P

η^* - dual evacuation on $P \leftarrow [\eta(P^*)]^*$

Then 1) $\psi^* = \psi^{-1}$

2) $\eta^2 = (\eta^*)^2 = 1$

3) $\psi^n = \eta \eta^*$

4) $\psi \eta = \eta \psi^{-1}$

Proof idea

$S_n = \langle \tau_1, \dots, \tau_{n-1} \rangle$

$\tau_i = (i, i+1)$

$\delta := \tau_1 \dots \tau_{n-1}$

Coxeter element

$\delta := (\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_{n-1}) (\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_{n-2}) \dots (\tau_1 \tau_2) \tau_1$

$\delta^* := (\tau_{n-1} \dots \tau_2 \tau_1) (\tau_{n-2} \dots \tau_3 \tau_2) \dots (\tau_1 \tau_{n-2}) \tau_{n-1}$

$G = \langle \tau_1, \dots, \tau_{n-1} \rangle / \tau_i^2 = (\tau_i \tau_j)^2 = 1, |i-j| > 1$

Coxeter group

Note:

$S_n = G / \langle (\tau_i \tau_{i+1})^2 = 1 \rangle$

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L [Harman, Mulvenuto-Reutenauer]

In G we have:

$$(a) \delta^2 = (\delta^*)^2 = 1$$

$$(b) \delta^n = \delta \delta^*$$

$$(c) \delta \delta = \delta \delta^{-1}$$

$$\triangleright \delta^2 = (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_1) (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_1)$$

$$= \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_1 \tau_3 \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_1$$

$$= \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_1 \tau_3 \tau_3 \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_1$$

$$= \tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_2 \tau_1$$

$$= 1 \quad /n=4/$$

⊕ more of the same ▣

\triangleright (of Sch. Thm) $\tau_i: LE(P) \rightarrow LE(P)$, $X=[n]$

$\tau_i(Q) = Q'$, where $Q' = Q|_{[n] \setminus \{i, i+1\}}$ $\tau_i: i \leftrightarrow i+1$
if possible ▣

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Domino Tableaux

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[Schützenberger]
[Stanley]

Recall: $G_n = \langle \tau_1, \dots, \tau_{n-1} \rangle / \left(\begin{array}{l} \tau_i^2 = (\tau_i \tau_j)^2 = 1 \\ \forall |i-j| \geq 2 \end{array} \right)$
 $\pi: G_n \rightarrow S_n, \tau_i \rightarrow (i \ i+1)$ Coxeter group

$\delta := \tau_1 \dots \tau_{n-1}$ $\pi: \delta \rightarrow (1 \ 2 \ \dots \ n)$ Coxeter
el't

$\delta := (\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_{n-1}) (\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_{n-2}) \dots (\tau_2 \tau_1) \tau_1$

$\delta^* := (\tau_{n-1} \dots \tau_2 \tau_1) (\tau_{n-1} \dots \tau_3 \tau_2) \dots (\tau_{n-1} \tau_{n-2}) \tau_{n-1}$

$\pi(\delta) = \pi(\delta^*) = (n \ n-1 \ \dots \ 2 \ 1)$ max el't

G_n acts on $LE(P)$, $P = (X, \lambda), |X| = n$

$\tau_i: Q \rightarrow Q'$, $Q' \leftarrow$ switch (i) and $(i+1)$ in Q
if possible, $Q, Q' \in LE(P)$

L [Haiman, Malvenuto-Reutenauer] $\forall P = (X, \lambda), |X| = n$

δ, δ^{-1} act on $LE(P)$ as promotion, dual prom.

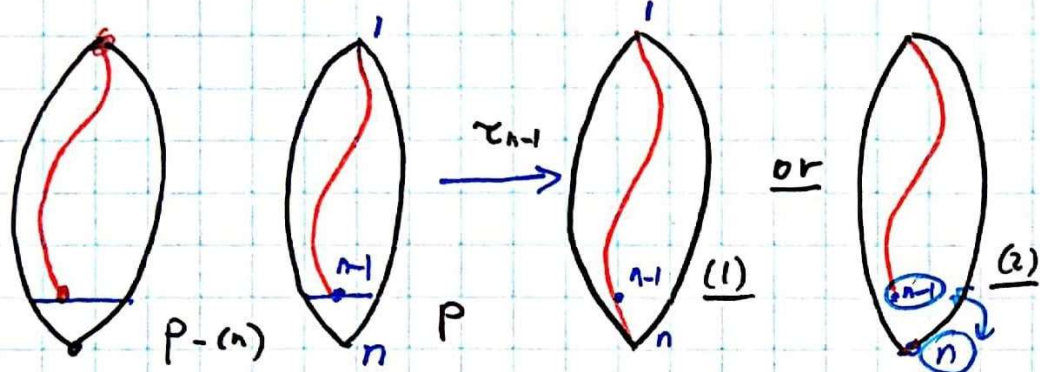
ψ, ψ^*

δ, δ^* act on $LE(P)$ as evacuation, dual
evac.

z, z^*

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Proof idea (By induction)



2 cases

(1) $(n-1) \prec (n)$

(2) $(n-1) \succ (n)$

$$\checkmark \begin{cases} \delta_{n-1} (12 \dots n-1) \leftarrow \text{promotion w/o relabeling / by ind /} \\ \text{on } P-(n) \\ \Rightarrow \delta_n (12 \dots n) \leftarrow -1k \text{ on } P \end{cases}$$

+ some for evac, dual evac. ▣

Th [Schützenberger, 1972] $P = (X, \lambda)$, $|X| = n$, ψ, ψ^* prom
 η, η^* evac

Then $\psi^* = \psi^{-1}$, $\eta^2 = (\eta^*)^2 = 1$

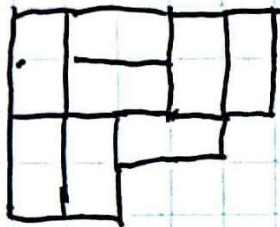
$\psi^n = \eta \eta^*$, $\psi \eta = \eta \psi^{-1}$

$D \prec L \Rightarrow$ Th via identities in \mathfrak{S}_n ▣

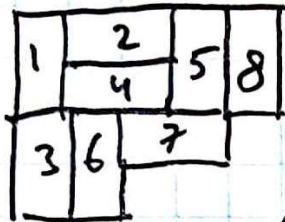
Note/Exc $(\tau_i \tau_{i+1})^6 = 1$ vis $i, i+1$ [Berenstein-Kirillov] 2000

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Domino tilings and domino tableaux



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$A \in DT(\lambda)$

$$\lambda \vdash n = 2k$$

$A \in$ increasing labeling $1 \dots k$

Q1: $\#DT(\lambda) = ??$

Q2: What are $DT(P)$, $P = (X, \lambda)$?

Def $Q \in LE(P)$, $|X| = 2k$ is a P-domino (tableau)

iff Q -label $(1) < (2)$, Q -label $(3) < (4)$, ...

Th $LE_2(P) = \{P\text{-dominoes}\}$, $e_2(P) := \#LE_2(P)$

Then $e_2(P) = \#\{Q \in LE(P) : \eta(Q) = Q\}$

Note $Th \in$ [Stanley], direct generalization
of [B-K], [Stembridge]
and [van Leeuwen, 1996]

$\left. \begin{array}{l} SYT \rightarrow LE \\ DT \rightarrow LE_2 \end{array} \right\}$

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$$\triangleq \delta_i := \tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_i, \quad \delta_i^* = \tau_i \dots \tau_2 \tau_1, \quad u, v \in G_n$$

Then $u \tau_1 \tau_3 \dots \tau_{2j-1} = v \iff$
 $u(\delta_1^* \delta_3^* \dots \delta_{2j-1}^*) = v(\delta_1^* \delta_3^* \delta_{2j-1}^*) (\delta_{2j-1} \dots \delta_2 \delta_1)$

\triangleright (sketch) [By ind]

$\underline{j=1}$ $u \tau_1 = v \tau_1 \tau_1 \iff u \tau_1 = v \leftarrow \tau_1^2 = 1$

$\underline{j=2}$

$$u \tau_1 (\tau_3 \tau_2 \tau_1) = v \cancel{\tau_1} (\cancel{\tau_3 \tau_2 \tau_1}) (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3) (\tau_1 \tau_2) \tau_1$$

$$= v \tau_2 \tau_1$$

$$\iff u \tau_1 \tau_3 = v$$



Proof of Th $w \in LE(P), \quad \eta(w) = w$

$$\Leftrightarrow w = w (\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_{n-1}) (\tau_1 \dots \tau_{n-1}) \dots (\tau_2 \tau_1) \tau_1$$

$\boxed{L \Rightarrow (u=v=w)}$

$u \in LE_2(P)$

$$w \tau_{2k-1} \tau_{1k-3} \dots \tau_3 \tau_1 = w$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{w} := w (\tau_1) (\tau_3 \tau_2 \tau_1) \dots (\tau_n \dots \tau_1)$$

$$\tilde{w} \delta = \tilde{w}$$

$\Rightarrow w \rightarrow \tilde{w}$ is a bij

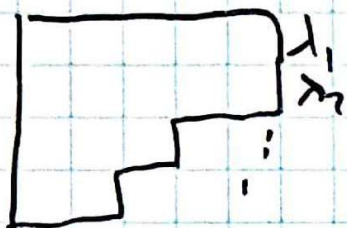


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Young Lattice $\mathbb{Y} = (\lambda, \subseteq)$

$\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^2$

partition $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$



$\lambda \prec \mu \iff \lambda \subset \mu$

$\mathcal{P}_\lambda \leftarrow$ principal order ideal in \mathbb{N}^2

$e(\mathcal{P}_\lambda) = \# \text{SYT}(\lambda) = \# \text{max chains } \emptyset \rightarrow \lambda \text{ in } \mathbb{Y}$

$e_2(\mathcal{P}_\lambda) = \# \text{DT}(\lambda)$

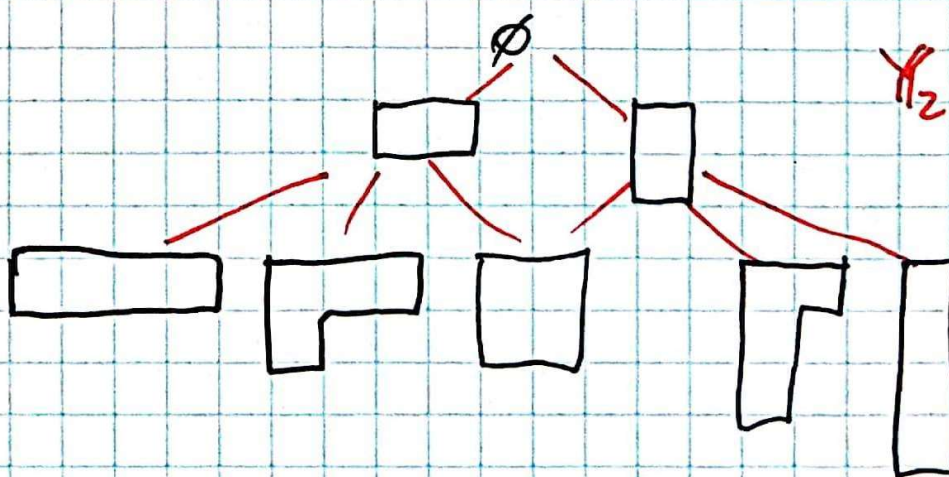
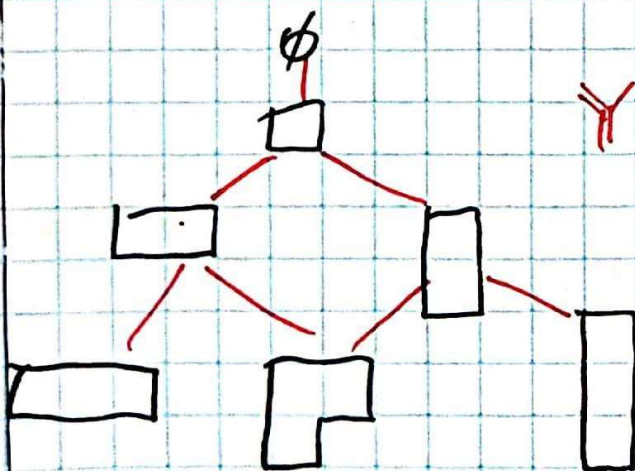
domino tableaux

$= \# \text{LE}_2(\mathcal{P}_\lambda)$

$= \# \text{chains}$

$\emptyset \rightarrow \mu^{(1)} \rightarrow \mu^{(2)} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mu^{(k)} = \lambda$

s.t. $\mu^i \prec_2 \mu^{i+1}$ and $\mu^{(i)} \setminus \mu^{(i-1)} = \text{domino}$



Th [Fomin-Stanton, 1997] / also [Stanton-White] 1985

$$Y_2 = Y \times Y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \lambda \in Y_2 \quad \exists \mu, \nu \in Y$$

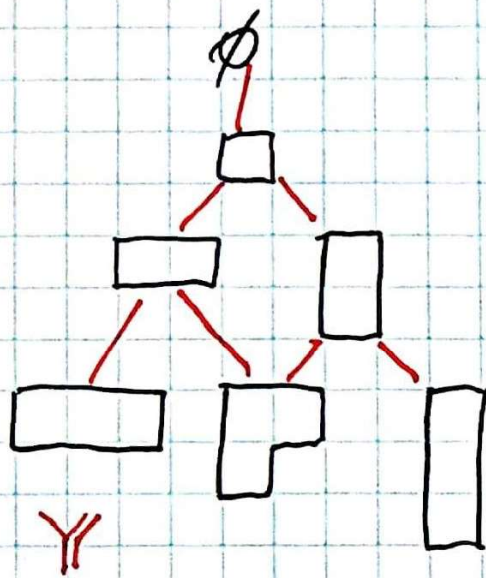
$$DT(\lambda) = \binom{|\mu|+|\nu|}{|\mu|} \underbrace{\#SYT(\mu)}_{HLF} \underbrace{\#SYT(\nu)}_{HLF}$$

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Domino tableaux & the HLF

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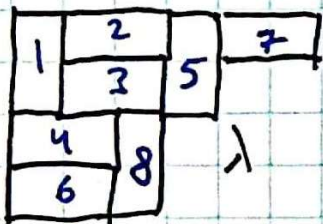


Recall: Young Lattice Υ

$$\Upsilon = (\{\lambda, |\lambda| \geq 0\}, \subset)$$

$$\Upsilon = \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{N}^2)$$

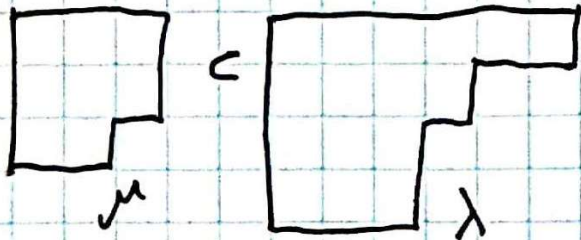
Domino tableaux - domino tiling of λ w/ labeling increasing \downarrow and \rightarrow



increasing \downarrow and \rightarrow

Domino Lattice $ID = \Upsilon_2 \subset \Upsilon$

$$ID = (\{\lambda\text{-tileable w/ dominoes, } |\lambda| \geq 0 \text{ or even}\}, \subset)$$



Th [Fomin-Stanton, 1997]

$$ID = \Upsilon^2$$

Note $\mu \subset \lambda, \mu, \lambda \in ID$

$\Rightarrow \lambda/\mu$ is tileable w/ dominoes

$$e_2(\lambda) := \#LE_{ID}(\lambda) \in FP$$

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Summary: $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{N}^2)$, $ID = \mathcal{Y}^2 \Rightarrow ID = \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{N}^2 + \mathbb{N}^2)$

$$e_2(\lambda) = \#DT(\lambda) = \#LE(I_\lambda \text{ in } ID)$$

principal order ideal

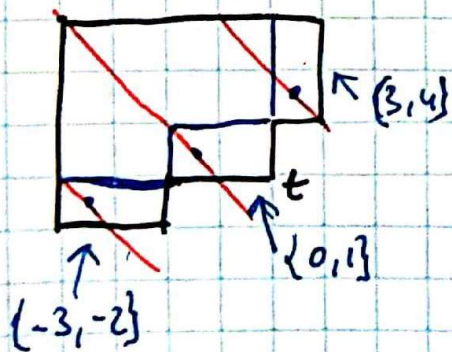
Prop $P = Q + R$ ← posets of size a and b

$$\Rightarrow e(P) = \binom{a+b}{a} e(Q) e(R) \quad | \quad \text{Proof} \leftarrow \text{Exc} \quad \blacksquare$$

Proof of F-S Thm $ID = \{ \lambda \in \text{tileable w/ dominos} \}$

Bijection $\phi: ID \rightarrow \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Y}$

(By induction) $\phi: \emptyset \rightarrow (\emptyset, \emptyset) \quad \checkmark$



$\lambda \in ID$, $t = \text{domino}$, $\lambda - t \in ID$

$$\phi(\lambda - t) = (\mu, \nu)$$

$$\phi(\lambda) := \begin{cases} (\mu + \square_i, \nu) \\ (\mu, \nu + \square_i) \end{cases} \quad \text{where}$$

$$\begin{cases} t \in \{ (2i), (2i+1) \text{ diagonals in } \lambda \} \\ t \in \{ (2i-1), (2i) \text{ diagonals in } \lambda \} \end{cases}$$

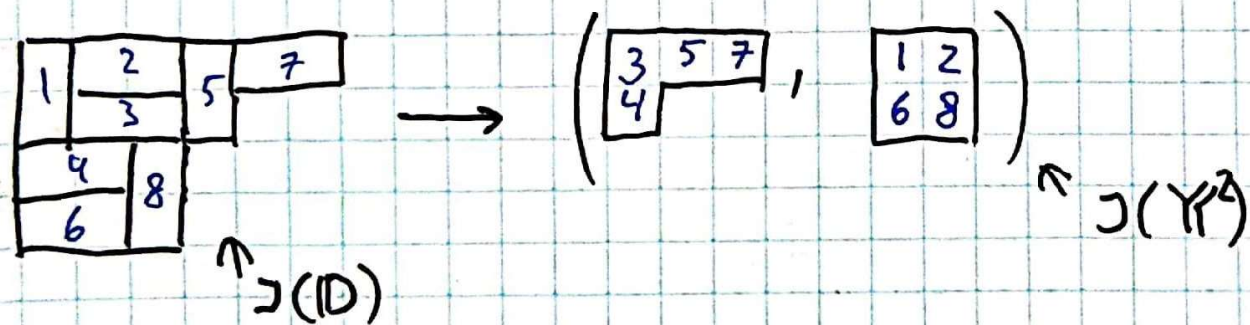
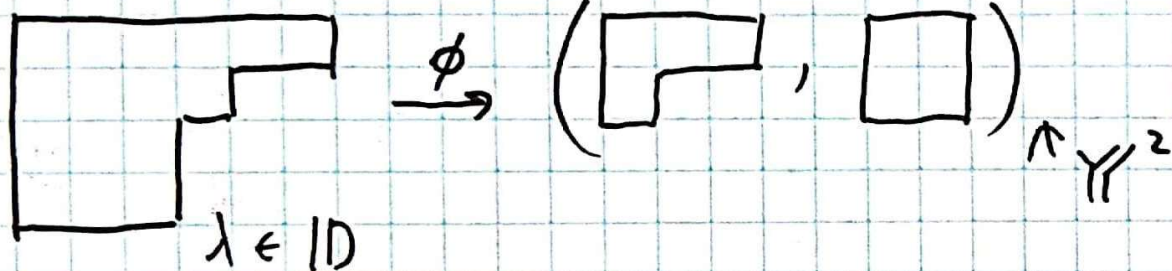
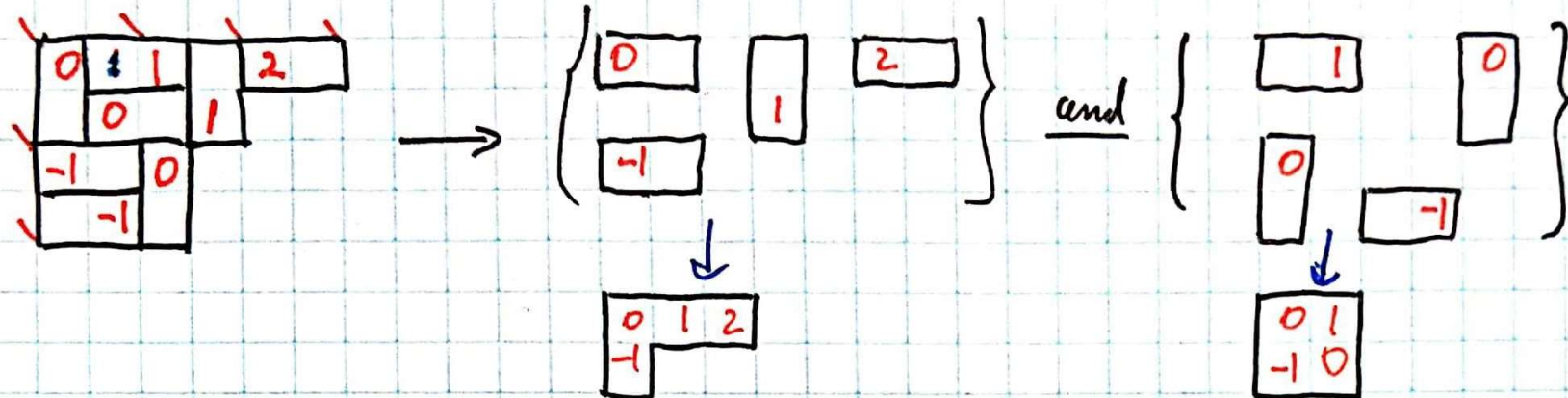
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mu, \nu + \square_2) \\ (\mu + \square_0, \nu) \\ (\mu, \nu + \square_{-1}) \end{array} \right\}$$

i -th diagonal
 $= \{ (x, y) : x - y = i \}$



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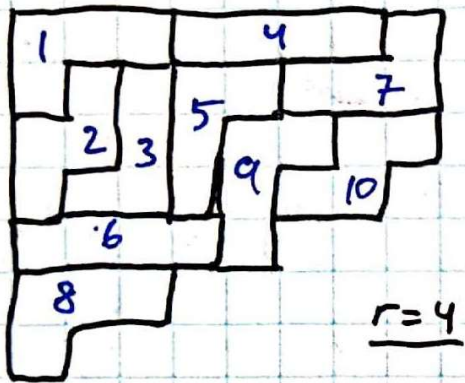
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Cor $\phi(\lambda) = (\mu, \nu) \Rightarrow e_2(\lambda) = \binom{a+b}{a} e(\mu) e(\nu)$
 $\Leftrightarrow \#DT(\lambda) = \binom{a+b}{a} \#SYT(\mu) \cdot \#SYT(\nu)$

③

Note:



More generally F-S Th proves

that Lattice of r-ribbon tileable diagrams $\cong \mathbb{Y}^r$

[Fomin-Stanton]
[Pak]

Proof: same idea, mod r

Poset Sorting

$P = (X, \leq)$ finite poset, $T \in LE(P)$ fixed labelling

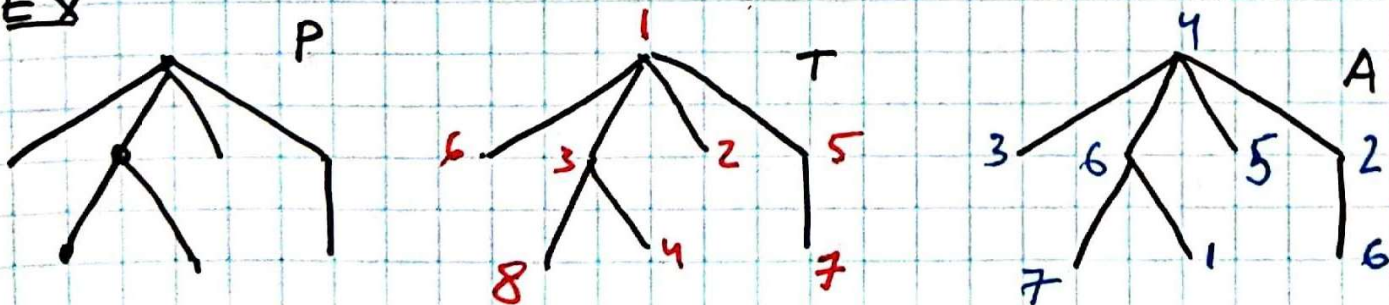
Alg $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$, $A \in \Sigma(P)$, $B := A$

For $i = n \dots 1$

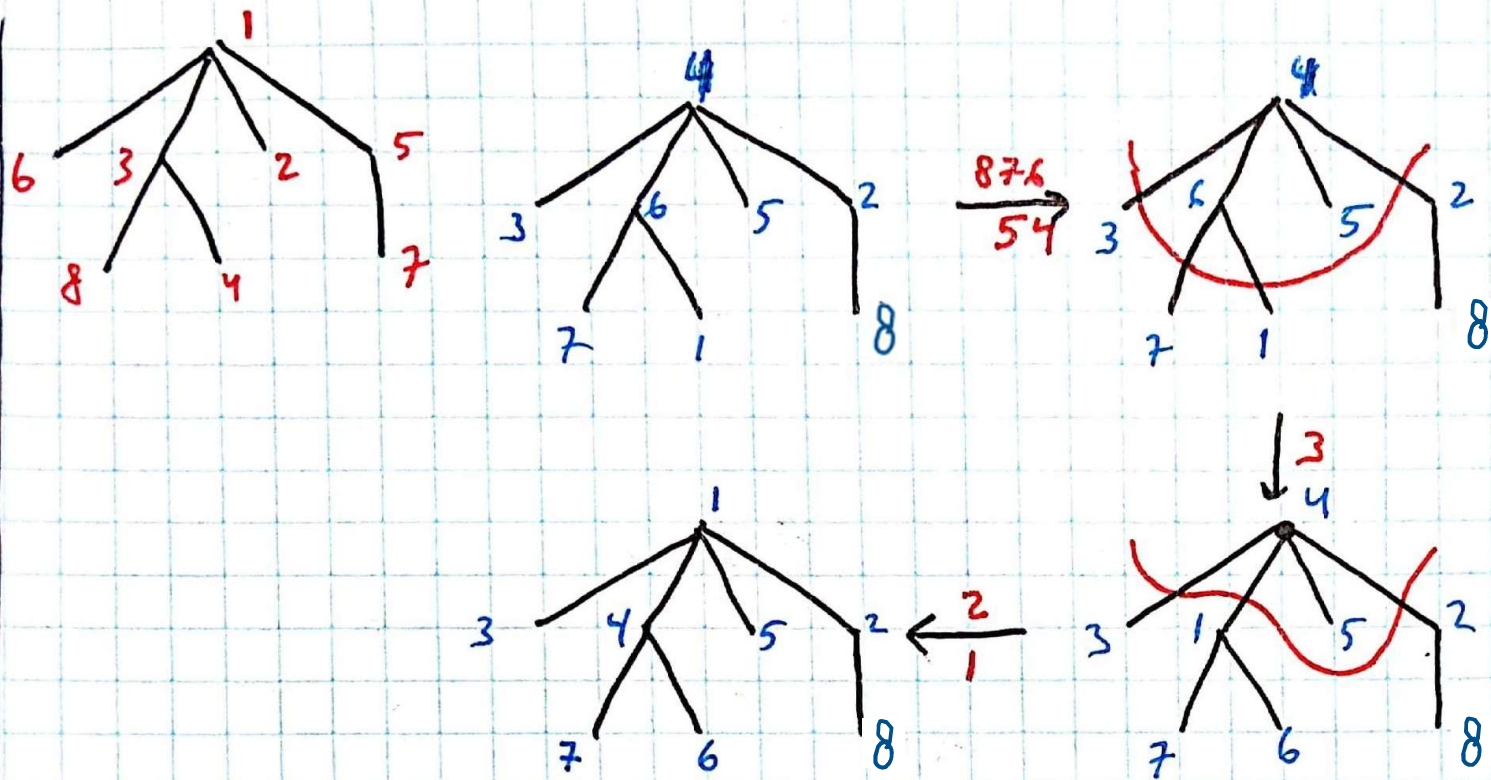
Demote-Promote in B elements in $\{T^{-1}(n), \dots, T^{-1}(i)\}$

Output B

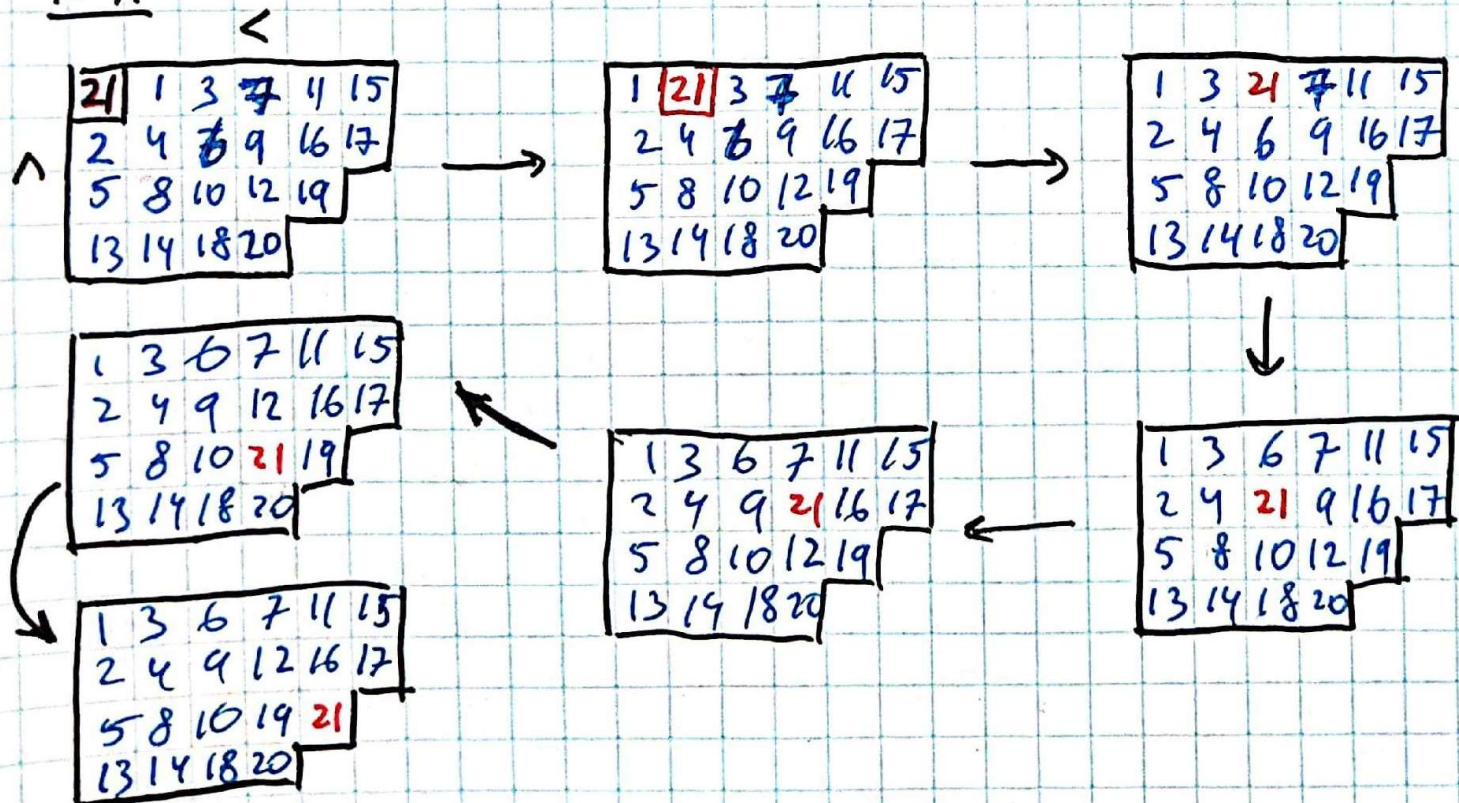
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Th Alg is equinumerous for

- (1) partitions λ , $T \in \text{SYT}(\lambda)$ column ordering
- (2) shifted partitions λ , $-|\lambda|$
- (3) tree posets, $\forall T$

[P.-Stoyanovsky]
1994

[Fischer]
2001

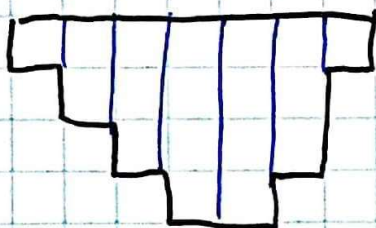
[Beata, 2012]

Def $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ equinumerous

$$\text{if } \forall y, y' \in Y \quad |\pi^{-1}(y)| = |\pi^{-1}(y')|$$

1	5	9	12	14
2	6	10	13	15
3	7	11		
4	8			

column
ordering



shifted
partition

Note:

(3) \leftarrow Exc

(2) \leftarrow hard extension of (1)

(1) \leftarrow proof via bijection

Bij

$\varphi: S_n \rightarrow$

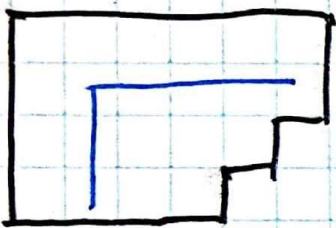
$\text{SYT}(\lambda) \times H(\lambda)$

$$\#H(\lambda) = \prod_{(i,j) \in \lambda} h(i,j)$$

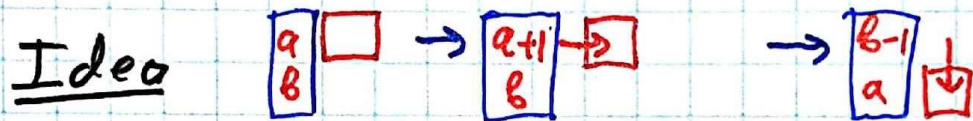
Bijective Proof of the HLF

$$\varphi: \begin{matrix} \mathcal{S} \\ \uparrow \\ S_n \end{matrix} \rightarrow (B, \mathcal{G}) \quad , \quad \mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{G}(i,j))_{i \leq j} \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \text{SYT}(\lambda) \quad H(\lambda)$$

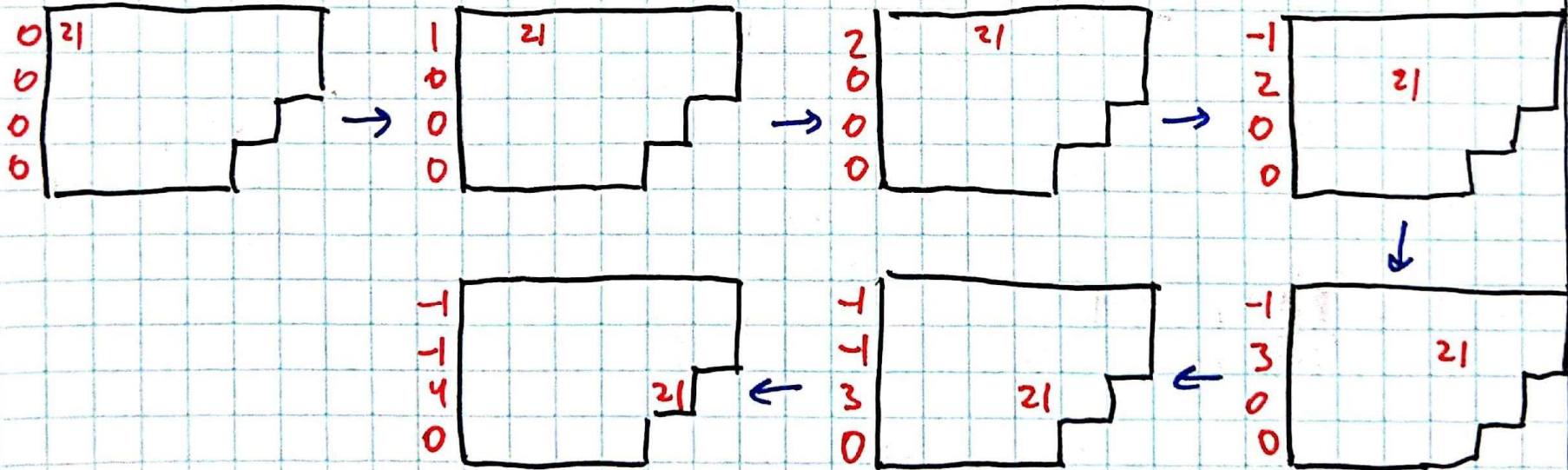
$$j - \lambda_j' \leq \mathcal{G}(i,j) \leq \lambda_i - i$$



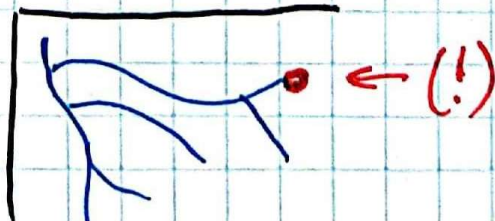
$$h(2,2) = 7 \Rightarrow -2 = 2 - 4 \leq \mathcal{G}(2,2) \leq 6 - 2 = 4$$



Ex



Proof idea: backtrack!



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P-partitions

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Q: Why do LE of posets play major role?

A1: Max chains in corr distributive lattices

A2: P-partition theory

Def $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$

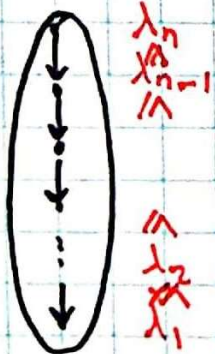
$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ is called P-partition if $f(x) \leq f(x')$ $\forall x \leq x', x, x' \in X$

\mathbb{N}^P

$$\mathcal{F}_P(t) := \sum_{f \in \mathbb{N}^P} t^{|f|}$$

$$|f| := \sum_{x \in X} f(x)$$

Ex (1) $P = C_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_P(t) = \sum_{\substack{(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \\ \lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n}} t^{|\lambda|} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-t^i}$



(2) $P = A_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_P(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t^n)}$



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Th [Stanley, 1968]

Let $P = (X, \mathcal{L})$ we have

$$F_P(t) = \frac{L_P(t)}{(1-t)(1-t^2)\dots(1-t^n)} \quad \text{where}$$

$$L_P(t) := \sum_{A \in LE(P)} t^{d(A)}$$

some explicit d
 $d: LE(P) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

Ex (1) $P = C_n$, $e(C_n) = 1$, $d(A) = 0$, $LE(C_n) = \{A\}$

so $F_P = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(1-t^i)}$

(2) $P = A_n$, $e(A_n) = n!$, $LE(A_n) = S_n$

so $F_P = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-t^i} = \frac{L_P(t)}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1-t^i)}$ where

$$\begin{aligned} L_P(t) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1-t^i}{1-t} = \prod_{i=1}^n (1+t+\dots+t^{i-1}) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} t^{\text{inv}(\sigma)} \end{aligned}$$

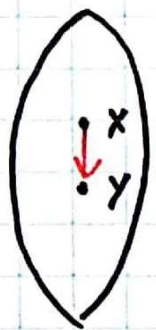
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Prop $F_P(t) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} a_P(N) t^N$

$\Rightarrow a_P(N) \sim e(P) \frac{n \cdot N^{n-1}}{(n!)^2}$

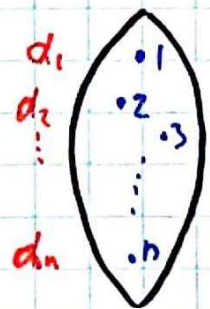
$\triangleright f \in \mathbb{N}^P$, $f(x) \leq M$ random, $M \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow f(x) < f(y)$ $\forall x \neq y$ whp



Same for $|f| \leq N$ random, $N \rightarrow \infty$

$X = \{1, \dots, n\} \Rightarrow$ such f define $A_f \in LE(P)$



$\Rightarrow a_P(N) \sim e(P) a_{C_n}(N)$

$F_{C_n} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-t^i} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{\substack{d=(d_1, \dots, d_n) \\ 0 \leq d_1 \leq \dots \leq d_n \\ d_1 + \dots + d_n = N}} t^N \right]$

Cone $C_n = \{0 \leq d_1 \leq \dots \leq d_n\}$

Simplex $\Delta_n = C_n \cap \sum d_i = 1$

$\Rightarrow \text{vol } \Delta_n = \frac{1}{n!} \det \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \dots & \frac{1}{n} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{n-1} & \dots & \frac{1}{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \Rightarrow a_{C_n}(N) \sim \frac{N^n}{(n!)^2}$

$a_{C_n}(0) = a_{C_n}(1) = \dots$



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Proof of Stanley's Thm

[Stanley, ECI] §3.15

Fix $L \in LE(P)$ ← poset labeling $[n]$

We have $\mathbb{N}^P = \bigcup_{A \in LE(P)} \mathbb{N}^{C_A}$

$C_A := \left\{ f \in \mathbb{N}^P : f(x) \leq f(y) \right\}$
 $\forall A(x) \leq A(y)$

We want $\mathbb{N}^P = \sum_{A \in LE(P)} \mathbb{N}^{C_A} + \mathbb{N}^{C_n}$

\mathbb{R}^P ← vector space of $f: P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Ex $P = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \square & \square & \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix}$ $L \in LE(P)$ $n = 6$

$L = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix}$	$x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \leq x_4 \leq x_5 \leq x_6$	$d(L) = 0$	$A_n = \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix}$
$A_1 = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix}$	$x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_4 \leq x_3 \leq x_5 \leq x_6$ ⊗	$d(A_1) = 3$	$x_1 \leq x_4 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \leq x_5 \leq x_6$ ⊗
$A_2 = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 6 \end{matrix}$	$x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_4 \leq x_5 \leq x_3 \leq x_6$ ⊗	$d(A_2) = 2$	$d(A_n) = 4$
$A_3 = \begin{matrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{matrix}$	$x_1 \leq x_4 \leq x_2 \leq x_5 \leq x_3 \leq x_6$ ⊗ ⊗ 2 2	$d(A_3) = 6$	$d_P = 1 + t^2 + t^3 + t^4 + t^6$

In general

$$L \leftrightarrow (12 \dots n), \quad w_L = (0 \dots 0), \quad d(L) = 0$$

$$A \leftrightarrow \sigma \in S_n, \quad \sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n)$$

$$w_A = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) \quad \text{where}$$

$$s_i = \# \{j : j < i, \sigma(j) > \sigma(i)\}$$

$$d(A) = s_1 + \dots + s_n$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathcal{L}_A + w_A) \cap (\mathcal{L}_B + w_B) = \emptyset \quad \left. \vphantom{\Rightarrow} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \forall A, B \in LE(P) \\ A \neq B \end{array}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \mathcal{N}^P = \bigsqcup_{B \in LE(P)} \mathcal{L}_B + w_B$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_P(t) &= \sum_{B \in LE(P)} t^{|w_B|} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{L}_B} t^{|f|} \\ &= \left[\sum_{B \in LE(P)} t^{d(B)} \right] \frac{1}{(1-t)(1-t^2) \dots (1-t^n)} \\ &= d_P(t) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-t^i} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

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Cor [MacMahon, 1915]

$$\text{maj}(\sigma) := \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \begin{cases} i & \sigma(i) > \sigma(i+1) \\ 0 & \text{oth.} \end{cases} \quad \text{Major index}$$

$\forall \sigma \in S_n$

Then

$$\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} t^{\text{maj}(\sigma)} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} t^{\text{inv}(\sigma)} = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + t + \dots + t^{i-1})$$

$\triangleright P = A_n$ antichain, $\text{Rest} \leftarrow \text{Exc.}$ \square

Th [Stanley, 1972]

$P := P_\lambda$, $\lambda \vdash n$ partition poset

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_P = \prod_{(i,j) \in \lambda} \frac{1}{1 - t^{h(i,j)}} = t^{-n(\lambda)} \underbrace{S_\lambda(1, t, t^2, \dots)}_{\text{Schur function}}$$

where $n(\lambda) := \sum_{(i,j) \in \lambda} (i-1)$

$\Rightarrow \text{HLF}$

{ bijective proof in [Hillman-Grassl] 1976 }

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Poset Polytopes

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① Order polytope

Def $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$

$$\mathcal{O}_P := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } 0 \leq f(x) \leq 1 \quad \forall x \in X \\ \text{and } f(x) \leq f(y) \quad \forall x \leq y \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_P \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \dim \mathcal{O}_P = n, \quad \mathcal{O}_P \cong [0, 1]^P$$

subset of \mathbb{R}^n

Note: suffices

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \leftarrow \text{min elt in } P \\ f(y) \leq 1 \quad \forall y \leftarrow \text{max elt in } P \\ f(x) \leq f(y) \quad \forall x \leq y, (x, y) \in \Gamma(P) \end{array} \right.$$

← Hasse diag

Prop Facets of \mathcal{O}_P / = faces of $\dim = n - 1$ /

are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(x) = 0, \quad x \in \text{min}(P) \\ f(y) = 1, \quad y \in \text{max}(P) \\ f(x) = f(y), \quad (x, y) \in \Gamma(P) \end{array} \right.$$



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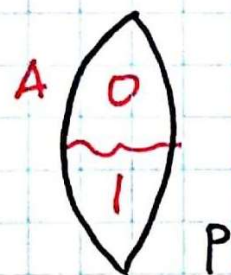
[Stanley, Two
poset polytopes]
1986

Prop 2 Vertices of \mathcal{O}_P are $\{1 - \chi_A\}$ where

A - order ideal in P / $\leftarrow a \in A, b \prec a \Rightarrow b \in A$ /

$$\chi_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & a \in A \\ 0, & \text{oth.} \end{cases}$$

$\triangleright g \in \mathcal{O}_P$, g - vertex $\Rightarrow g \in \bigcap$ of $\approx n$ facets
 $\Rightarrow g(x) \in \{0, 1\}$ / otherwise extra facet can be added /



$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} g(x) = 0 & \text{on some } A, \text{ i.e. } \forall x \in A \\ & A\text{-order ideal} \\ g(x) = 1, & x \notin A \end{cases} \quad \square$$

Th $\text{vol } \mathcal{O}_P = \frac{e(P)}{n!}$

$\triangleright \mathcal{O}_P = \bigsqcup_{Q \in \text{LE}(P)} \Delta_Q$ where $\Delta_Q \subseteq \mathcal{O}_P$ simplex

$$\text{vol } \Delta_Q = \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$\Delta_Q := \left\{ 0 \leq f(x_1) \leq f(x_2) \leq \dots \leq f(x_n) \leq 1 \right\}$$

where $f(x_i) = i$

$$\Rightarrow \text{vol } \mathcal{O}_P = \sum_{Q \in \text{LE}(P)} \frac{1}{n!} = \frac{e(P)}{n!} \quad \square$$

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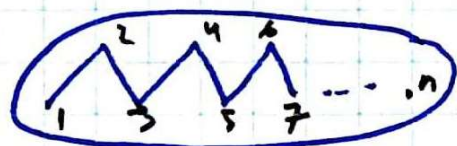
Ex (1) $P = A_n$ antichain $\Rightarrow P = [0, 1]^n$

$$\text{vol } \mathcal{O}_P = \frac{e(A_n)}{n!} = \frac{n!}{n!} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

(2) $P = C_n$ chain $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_P = \Delta_n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{vol } \mathcal{O}_P = \frac{1}{n!} \quad \checkmark$$

(3) $P = Z_n$ zigzag poset, $\mathcal{O}_P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$



$$\mathcal{O}_P = \{x_1 \leq x_2 \geq x_3 \leq \dots, 0 \leq x_i \leq 1\}$$

Vertices of \mathcal{O}_P are $\{0-1 \text{ seq } x_1 \leq x_2 \geq x_3 \leq \dots\}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \{0-1 \text{ seq } y_1 \leq 1-y_2 \geq y_3 \leq 1-y_4 \geq \dots\}$$

$$= \{0-1 \text{ seq } (y_1, y_2, \dots), y_i + y_{i+1} \leq 1\}$$

= Fib. sequences

$$\Rightarrow |V(\mathcal{O}_P)| = F_n \sim c \phi^n, \quad \phi = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\text{vol } \mathcal{O}_P = \frac{e(Z_n)}{n!} \sim c' \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^n$$

since $e(Z_n) = \#\{\sigma(1) < \sigma(2) > \sigma(3) < \dots \in S_n\}$
- number of alt. permutations

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II Chain Polytope

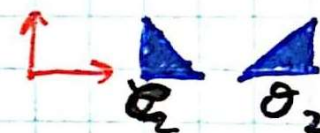
Def $P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$

$$\mathcal{C}_P := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in X \\ \text{and} \quad f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_k) \leq 1 \quad \forall \text{chain } \{x_1 - x_k\} \\ \text{in } P \end{array} \right\}$$

Ex (1) $P = A_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_P = \mathcal{O}_P = [0, 1]^n$

(2) $P = C_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_P = [0, 1]^n \cap \{x_1 + \dots + x_n \leq 1\}$

(3) $P = Z_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_P = \{y_i + y_{i+1} \leq 1, y_i \geq 0\}$
 $\mathcal{C}_P \cong \mathcal{O}_P$ in this case



Note: suffices to take $\{f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_k) \leq 1, f(x) \geq 0\}$
 \forall max chains in P

Prop 3 vertices $V(\mathcal{C}_P) = \{ \chi_A, A\text{-antichain in } P \}$

Th 2 $\text{vol } \mathcal{C}_P = \frac{e(P)}{n!}$

▷ Def $\Phi: \mathcal{O}_P \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_P$ transfer map

$$[\Phi f](X) := \min \{ f(Y) - g(X), X \prec Y, X \in X \}$$

$\forall f \in \mathcal{O}_P$ Obs: Th 2 follows from:

⊆ Φ is a continuous, piecewise-linear vol-preserving bijection.

▷ 1) Φ -continuous ✓ / by def /

2) $\mathcal{O}_P = \bigsqcup_{Q \in LE(P)} \Delta_Q$, Φ is linear on $\Delta_Q \forall Q$
 $\Rightarrow \Phi$ is PL ✓

3) $X = [n], P = C_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_P = \Delta_n \Rightarrow \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\Rightarrow \Phi$ is vol-preserving on each Δ_Q
 $\Rightarrow \Phi$ is vol-preserving ✓

4) $\Psi: \mathcal{C}_P \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_P$ def by $[\Psi g](X) := \max \{ g(Y_1) + \dots + g(Y_k) \}$
 $Y_1 \prec \dots \prec Y_k = X$

Obs $\Phi \Psi = \Psi \Phi = I \Rightarrow \Phi$ is a bij ✓



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Cor 1 $e(P)$ depends only on the comparability graph $\text{Com}(P)$

□ By def of \mathcal{E}_P or Prop 3
polytope \mathcal{E}_P depends only on $\text{Com}(P)$

Since $e(P) = (\text{vol } \mathcal{E}_P) n! \Rightarrow \text{claim} \quad \square$

Note Cor 1 was first proved via promotion

L21 Poset Polytopes

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Recall $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$

$$\mathcal{O}_P := [0, 1]_x^P = \{f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq f(x) \leq 1, f(x) \leq f(y) \forall x, y \in X\} \quad \text{Order polytope}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_P := \{g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) \geq 0 \forall x \in X, \sum_{x \in C} g(x) \leq 1 \forall \text{chain } C \text{ in } P\} \quad \text{Chain polytope}$$

Th $\text{vol } \mathcal{O}_P = \text{vol } \mathcal{C}_P = \frac{e(P)}{n!}$

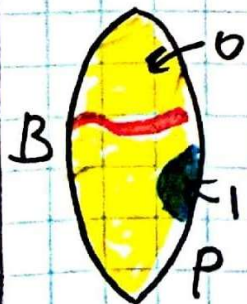
Cor $e(P)$ depends only on $\text{Com}(P) \leftarrow$ comparability graph

Prop Vertices $V(\mathcal{C}_P) = \{\chi_A, A \in \text{antichain in } P\}$

D $\textcircled{2}$ All $\chi_A \in \mathcal{C}_P$ and $\chi_A \in V([0, 1]^n) \Rightarrow \checkmark$

$\textcircled{\subseteq}$ Fix $g \in V(\mathcal{C}_P)$, $B := \{x \in X : 0 < g(x) < 1\}$

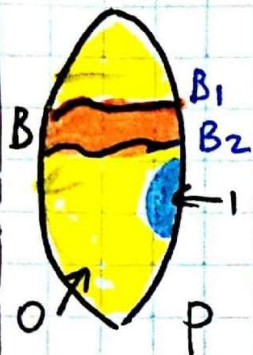
$$\underline{\varepsilon} := \min \{g(x), 1 - g(x), x \in B\} \leftarrow \boxed{\varepsilon \leq g(x) \leq 1 - \varepsilon}$$



Case 1 B -antichain $\Rightarrow g = \frac{1}{2}(g_1 + g_2)$ where

$$g_1 = g + \varepsilon \chi_B \quad , \quad g_2 = g - \varepsilon \chi_B \quad \times$$

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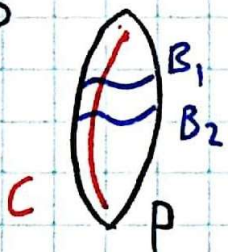


Case 2 B - not antichain

$B_1 := \{ \text{min elt's in } B \}$

$B_2 := \{ \text{min elt's in } B \setminus B_1 \}$

two antichains
in B



$$\left. \begin{aligned} g_1 &:= g + \varepsilon \chi_{B_1} - \varepsilon \chi_{B_2} \\ g_2 &:= g - \varepsilon \chi_{B_1} + \varepsilon \chi_{B_2} \end{aligned} \right\} \in \mathcal{C}_p$$

$$\Rightarrow g = \frac{1}{2}(g_1 + g_2) \notin V(\mathcal{C}_p) \quad \times \quad \square$$

Plan for today: using geometry to understand combinatorics of posets

Let $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ convex polytope, $\dim(Q) = n$

Q is integral if $V(Q) \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$

Th [Ehrhart, Macdonald '71]

$Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ integral, $\dim(Q) = n$. Then $L_Q(N) := |NQ \cap \mathbb{Z}^n|$

is a polynomial $\in \mathbb{Q}[N]$ w/ deg $= n$ and lead coeff $= \text{vol}(Q)$

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Ex $Q = [0, 1]^n \Rightarrow L_Q(N) = (N+1)^n \quad \checkmark \quad \underline{\text{vol } Q = 1}$

$Q = \{0 \leq x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_n \leq 1\} = \Delta \Rightarrow L_Q(N) = \binom{N+1+n}{n} \quad \checkmark$
 $\underline{\text{vol } Q = \frac{1}{n!}}$

Def $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$

$a_P(m) := \# [m]^P = \# \left\{ f: X \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\} \text{ s.t. } 1 \leq f(x) \leq m \right.$
 $\left. \text{and } f(x) \leq f(y) \forall x < y \right\}$

Prop [Stanley, 1970] $a_P(m)$ is a polynomial in m

$a_P(m) \in \mathbb{Q}[m]$, lead coeff = $e(P) / (m-1)!$

Obs $a_P(m+1) = |\mathcal{O}_{P, m+1}| = L_{Q_P}(m) \quad \square$

Th [Stanley, 1986] $a_P(m)$ depends only on $\text{Com}(P)$ [Stanley, Two poset polytopes]

Recall $\Phi: \mathcal{O}_P \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_P$ transfer map $\in \underline{PL}$, vol-pres, cont, bij

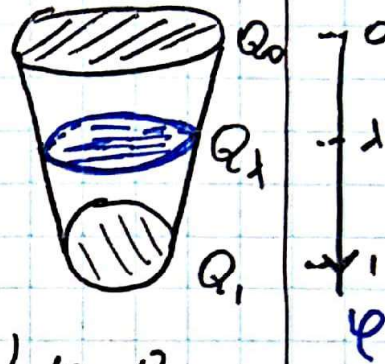
$\Rightarrow m\Phi: m\mathcal{O}_P \cap \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow m\mathcal{C}_P \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$ is a bijection

$\Rightarrow a_P(m+1) = |m\mathcal{O}_P \cap \mathbb{Z}^n| = \underbrace{|m\mathcal{C}_P \cap \mathbb{Z}^n|}_{\text{depends only on } \text{Com}(P)} \quad \square$

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Alexandrov - Fenchel inequalities

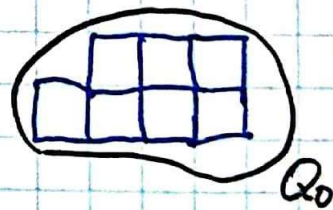
$$\begin{cases} Q_0, Q_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^n & \text{convex polytopes} \\ Q := \text{conv} \{ Q_0, Q_1 \}, \varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ linear} \\ \text{s.t. } \text{dist} \{ \varphi=0, \varphi=1 \} = 1 \\ Q_\lambda := Q \cap \{ \varphi = \lambda \}, \quad Q_0 = \{ \varphi=0 \}, \quad Q_1 = \{ \varphi=1 \} \end{cases}$$



Prop $\forall 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ $\text{vol}_{n-1}(Q_\lambda) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{i} \underbrace{V_i(Q_0, Q_1)}_{\text{mixed volume}} \lambda^i (1-\lambda)^{n-i-1}$

/ i.e. $\exists V_i(\cdot) \geq 0$ s.t. —||— /

Proof idea: use additivity & continuity
via partitioning Q_0, Q_1 into boxes



Th [A'37, '38, F'36]

$\forall Q_0, Q_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ as above, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$

$$\Rightarrow V_i(Q_0, Q_1)^2 \geq V_{i-1}(Q_0, Q_1) V_{i+1}(Q_0, Q_1)$$

special case
of general A-F

Proof idea ← hard use of convexity / additivity fails /

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A-F for order polytopes

$P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$, $\mathcal{O}_P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$x \in X$ fixed elt

$d_j(x) := \# \{ A \in LE(P) : A(x) = j \}$

Th [Stanley, 1981] $\forall P = (X, \leq)$, $\forall x \in X$, $|X| = n$

$d_j(x)^2 \geq d_{j-1}(x) d_{j+1}(x)$, $2 \leq j \leq n-1$

[Stanley, Two applications of A-F inequalities]

$\mathcal{O}_P = \{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq f(x) \leq 1, f(x) \leq f(y) \forall x \leq y \}$

Def

$Q_\lambda := \mathcal{O}_P \cap \{ f(x) = \lambda \}$ $\forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$

$\Delta_A := \{ 0 \leq f(x_1) \leq f(x_2) \leq \dots \leq f(x_n) \leq 1 \}$ where
 $x_i = A^{-1}(i)$, $A: X \rightarrow \{1, \dots, n\} \in LE(P)$

$\Rightarrow \text{vol}_{n-1} \Delta_A \cap \{ f(x_i) = \lambda \} = \text{vol} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq f(x_1) \leq \dots \leq f(x_i) = \lambda \leq \\ \leq f(x_{i+1}) \leq \dots \leq f(x_n) \end{array} \right\}$

$\Rightarrow \text{vol}_{n-1} \Delta_A \cap \{ f(x_i) = \lambda \} = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda^{i-1} (1-\lambda)^{n-i}}{(i-1)! (n-i)!} & , A(i) = x_i \\ & / = x / \\ 0, \text{ oth.} & \end{cases}$

(5)

$$\Rightarrow \text{vol}_{n-1} Q_\lambda = \sum_{A \in LE(P)} \text{vol}_{n-1} (\Delta_A \cap Q_\lambda)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} d_{i+1}(x) \binom{n-1}{i} \lambda^i (1-\lambda)^{n-1-i}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{i+1}(x) = (n-1)! \cdot V_i(Q_0, Q_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{i+1}(x)^2 \geq d_i(x) d_{i+2}(x) \quad \forall 0 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Cor [Rivest, Chung-Fishburn-Graham conjecture]

[Stanley '81] $\{d_i(x)\} \leftarrow$ unimodal

$$/ 0 \leq d_1 \leq d_2 \leq \dots \leq d_k \geq d_{k+1} \geq \dots \geq d_n \geq 0 /$$

\square log-concavity \Rightarrow unimodality \square seq \square

Th [Kahn-Saks, 1984] $P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$

$$\beta_i(u, v) := \# \{A \in LE(P) : A(u) - A(v) = i\}$$

Then $\{\beta_i(u, v), 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ is log-concave
 $\forall u, v \in X$

similar
proof

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L22 Applications of Poset Polytopes

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Recall: $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$

$$O_P := \{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq f(x) \leq 1 \ \forall x \in X, f(x) \leq f(y) \ \forall x \leq y \}$$

order polytope

$$C_P := \{ g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) \geq 0 \ \forall x \in X, \sum_{x \in C} g(x) \leq 1 \ \forall C \text{ chain in } P \}$$

chains polytope

Th [Stanley] $\text{vol } O_P = \text{vol } C_P = e(P)/n!$

Prop [-11-] Vertices $V(C_P) = \{ \chi_A, A \text{ - antichain in } P \}$

Th [Stanley] $\forall x \in X$ fixed: $d_i(x)^2 \geq d_{i-1}(x) d_{i+1}(x)$
 $\forall 2 \leq i \leq n-1$, where $d_i(x) := \# \{ A \in LE(P), A(x) = i \}$

Th [Kahn-Saks] $\forall x, y \in X$ fixed: $\beta_i(x, y)^2 \geq \beta_{i-1}(x, y) \beta_{i+1}(x, y)$
 $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n-1$, where $\beta_i(x, y) := \# \{ A \in LE(P), A(x) - A(y) = i \}$

Cor Both $\{ d_i(x) \}$ and $\{ \beta_i(x, y) \}$ are unimodal

Ex (1) $P = A_n \Rightarrow d_i = \frac{1}{n} n! \checkmark \quad \beta_i = \frac{\binom{n}{i}}{n(n-1)} \frac{n!}{i!} \checkmark$

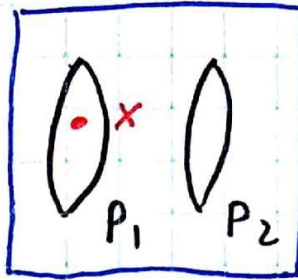
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Ex (cont'd)

$$(2) \hat{P} = P_1 + P_2, \quad P_1 = (X_1, d), \quad P_2 = (X_2, d)$$

$$\hat{\alpha}_i(x) = \sum_k \alpha_k(x) \binom{i-1}{k} e(P_2)$$

\hat{P}



$$\frac{\hat{\alpha}_i(x)}{(i-1)!} = \sum_k \frac{\alpha_k(x)}{k!} \frac{1}{(i-k)!} e(P_2)$$

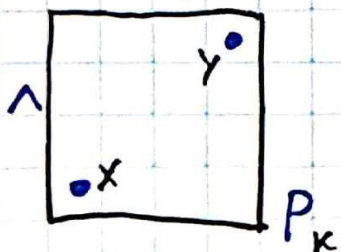
Def $\{a_j, 0 \leq j \leq n\}$ is ultra-log-concave
 if $\{a_j / \binom{n}{j}\}$ is log-concave.

Th [Liggett, 1997] $\{a_j\}, \{b_r\} \in$ ultra-log-concave

\Rightarrow so is $\{c_n\}$, $c_n = \sum_k \binom{n}{k} a_k b_{n-k}$ (convolution)

Cor $P \leftarrow$ series parallel $\Rightarrow \{\alpha_{i-1}(x)\}$ ultra-log-concave

Ex (3) $P_k := [k \times k] \in$ 2-dim poset w/ $n = k^2$ elt's

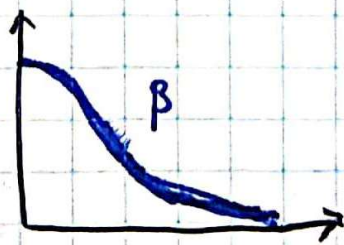
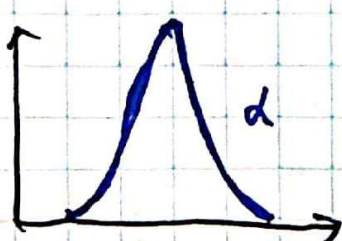


$$x = (k, 1)$$

$$y = (1, k)$$

$$\alpha_i(x) = \# \text{SYT } A \text{ s.t. } A(k, 1) = i, \quad k \leq i \leq k^2 - k$$

$$\beta_i(x, y) = \# \text{SYT } B \text{ s.t. } B(k, 1) - B(1, k) = i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq k^2 - 2k$$



(2)

Th [Brightwell-Totard, 2003] $P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$

Let $h: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t. $\sum_{x \in A} h(x) \leq 1 \quad \forall \text{ antichain } A \text{ in } P$

Then $e(P) \leq \prod_{x \in X} \frac{1}{h(x)}$

D Let $Q_h := \{g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \text{ s.t. } g \cdot h := \sum_{x \in X} g(x)h(x) \leq 1\}$

\subseteq $\mathcal{E}_P \subseteq Q_h$ $\forall h$ as in the Th.

D $\forall g \in \mathcal{E}_P$ by Prop on vertices of \mathcal{E}_P

$$g = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} w_k \chi_{A_k}, \quad \sum w_k = 1, \quad A_k \in \text{antichains in } P$$

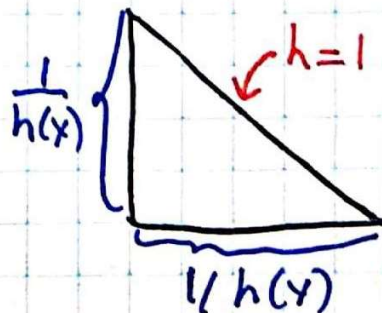
$$\Rightarrow g \cdot h = \sum_k (\chi_{A_k} \cdot h) w_k \leq \sum_k w_k = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow gh \in Q_h \quad \square$$

By $\subseteq \Rightarrow \text{vol } \mathcal{E}_P \leq \text{vol } Q_h$

Obs $\text{vol } Q_h = (n!)^{-1} \prod_{x \in X} \frac{1}{h(x)}$

since $\text{vol } \mathcal{E}_P = e(P)/n! \Rightarrow \checkmark$



(3)

LYM property $P = (X, \leq)$ ranked w/ $r_i \in$ rank numbers (see L15)

Def (LYM) Suppose \forall antichain A in P , $h = \text{height}(P)$
$$\sum_{x \in A} \frac{1}{r(x)} \leq 1, \quad r(x) = r_i \text{ if } \text{rk}(x) = i$$

Th [Kahn-Kim, 1995] \forall ranked P w/ LYM
$$e(P) \leq \prod_{k=0}^h (r_k)^{r_k}$$

D In B-T Thm take $h(x) := \frac{1}{r(x)}$
$$\Rightarrow e(P) \leq \prod_{x \in X} r(x) = \prod_{k=0}^h (r_k)^{r_k} \quad \square$$

Ex [Boolean Lattice] $P = B_n = (2^{[n]}, \subseteq)$
$$\Rightarrow e(B_n) \leq \prod_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^{\binom{n}{k}} \Rightarrow \text{upper bounds in L15}$$

Ex [subspaces of \mathbb{F}_q^n] L By q -LYM \Rightarrow upper bound on $e(L)$

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Back to Perfect Graphs

$G = (V, E)$, $\mathcal{K}_G := \{ \text{cliques in } G \}$, $|V| = n$

$S_G := \{ \text{conv hull of } \chi_K, K \in \mathcal{K}_G \} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$
stable set polytope

$FS_G := \{ f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \text{ s.t. } \sum_{v \in K} f(v) \leq 1 \ \forall K \in \mathcal{K}_G \}$
fractional stable set polytope

Ex $P = (X, \lambda)$, $|X| = n$, $G := \overline{\text{com}(P)}$ incomp graph

Then $S_G = \mathcal{C}_P$ (by Prop)

$FS_G = S_G = \mathcal{C}_P$ by def of \mathcal{C}_P / cliques in $\overline{G} = \text{chains in } P$

Th [Lovász] $S_G = FS_G$ if and only if G -perfect

Obs $S_G \subseteq FS_G \ \forall G$ since $|K \cap A| \leq 1$

Ex $G = C_5 \Rightarrow FS_G$ contains $(\frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{2}) \leftarrow$ not

in convex hull of $(0 \dots 1 \dots 0) \in \mathbb{R}^5$ and $(0 \dots 0)$

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Correlation Inequalities

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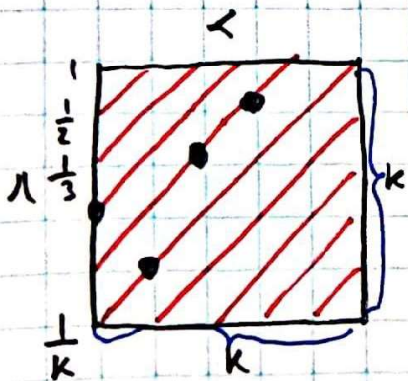
Th [B-T] $P = (X, <)$, $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t. $\sum_{a \in A} f(a) \leq 1$
 \forall antichain $A \Rightarrow e(P) \leq \prod_{x \in X} f(x)$

Th [Kahn-Kim] P - ranked w/ rank sizes r_1, r_2, \dots

Suppose P has \bar{F} -LYM w/ $f(x) = \frac{1}{rk(x)}$

$$\Rightarrow e(P) \leq \prod_{i=1}^{h(P)} r_i^{r_i}$$

Ex $P_k = [k \times k] \leftarrow$ 2-dim poset $\bar{F} = (1, 2, \dots, k-1, k, k-1, \dots, 1)$



Obs/Ex P_k has LYM w/ $f(x) = \frac{1}{rk(x)}$

$$\Rightarrow e(P_k) \leq [1^1 2^2 \dots (k-1)^{k-1}]^2 k^k$$

Compare w/ $e(P_k) \approx [1! 2! \dots (k-1)!]^2 k!$

$$UB/LB = \exp O(n), \quad n = k^2$$

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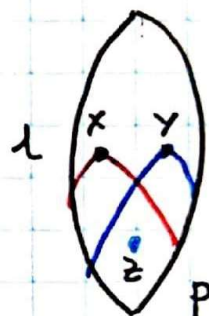
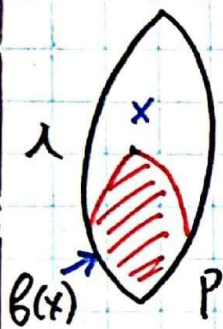
Note: $P_k \leftarrow 2\text{dim}$ is unimportant here
 For general posets [k-k] define entropy
 w/ similar $\exp O(n)$ approx

Th [Hammett-Pattel, 2008]

$$P = (X, \preceq), \quad |X| = n$$

Then
$$e(P) \approx \frac{n!}{\prod_{x \in X} b(x)}$$

where
$$b(x) = \#\{y \succeq x, y \in X\}$$

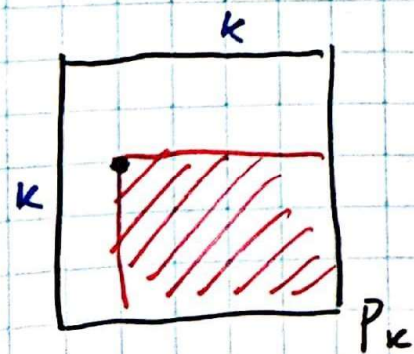


$P(b(x) \leq b(y))$
 $\Rightarrow P(-1 \leq b(y) \leq b(x))$
 /positive corr./

Ex (1) \Leftrightarrow for trees

(2) \Leftrightarrow for series-parallel poset $1 \Rightarrow$ (1) /

(3) weak for P_k



HP \Rightarrow
$$e(P_k) = (n!)^\epsilon \text{ for some } \epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$$

Hint: high correlation!

(2)

Classical Correlation Inequalities

Motivational Thm

$$G = (V, E), \quad V = [n]$$

G -random graph w/ prob. of $e \in E = p > 0$

Then

$$P[G \text{ - planar and Hamiltonian}] \\ \leq P[G \text{ - planar}] \cdot P[G \text{ - Hamiltonian}]$$

Hint: negative corr follows from

planarity \leftarrow down-closed property / $G \subseteq H, H \text{ - planar} \Rightarrow G \text{ - planar}$

Hamiltonicity \leftarrow up-closed property / $G \supseteq H, H \text{ - Hamiltonian} \Rightarrow G \text{ - Hamiltonian}$

Th [Kleitman, 1966] $B_n = (2^{[n]}, \subseteq)$

$\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{L} \subseteq 2^{[n]}$ s.t. $\forall A \in \mathcal{U}, B \supseteq A \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{U}$

$\forall A \in \mathcal{L}, B \subseteq A \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{L}$

Then $|\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{L}| \cdot 2^n \leq |\mathcal{U}| \cdot |\mathcal{L}|$

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Proof (by induction) $n=1$ ✓

$n \Rightarrow (n+1)$

$$a := (n+1)$$

$$U_a := \{A \in U, a \in A\}$$

$$U'_a := \{A \in U, a \notin A\}$$

$$d_a := \{B \in d, a \in B\}$$

$$d'_a := \{B \in d, a \notin B\}$$

$$U = U_a \sqcup U'_a$$

$$d = d_a \sqcup d'_a$$

$$a \leq b$$

$$c \leq d$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} ac + bd \\ \geq ad + bc \end{aligned} \right\}$$

By ind. $\Rightarrow |U'_a \cap d'_a| \cdot 2^n \leq |U'_a| \cdot |d'_a|$

Let $U''_a := \{A - a, A \in U_a\}$, $d''_a := \{B - a, B \in d_a\}$

Since (U''_a, d''_a) satisfy ind. assumption

$$\Rightarrow |U_a \cap d_a| \cdot 2^n = |U''_a \cap d''_a| \cdot 2^k \leq \frac{|U''_a| \cdot |d''_a|}{|U''_a| \cdot |d_a|}$$

Thus

$$2^{n+1} |U \cap d| = 2^{n+1} [|U_a \cap d_a| + |U'_a \cap d'_a|]$$

$$\leq 2 [|U_a| \cdot |d_a| + |U'_a| \cdot |d'_a|]$$

$$\leq |U_a| \cdot |d_a| + |U_a| \cdot |d'_a| + |U'_a| \cdot |d_a| + |U'_a| \cdot |d'_a| = |U| \cdot |d| \quad \square$$

$$|U_a| \geq |U'_a|$$

$$|d_a| \leq |d'_a|$$

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Th [Ahlsvede-Daykin, 1978] Four functions thm

[Alon-Spencer]
§ 6.1

Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta : 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t.

$$\alpha(A) \beta(B) \leq \gamma(A \cup B) \delta(A \cap B) \quad \forall A, B \subseteq [n]$$

Then $\alpha(A) \beta(B) \leq \gamma(\underline{A \cup B}) \delta(\underline{A \cap B})$

$\forall A, B \subseteq 2^{[n]}$ where

$$\underline{A \cup B} := \{A \cup B, A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

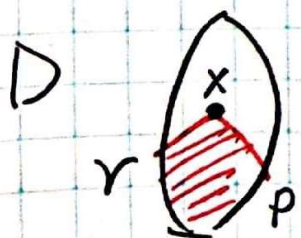
$$\underline{A \cap B} := \{A \cap B, A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

Proof \leftarrow essentially same induction as in KleitmanTh

Cor 1 $L \leftarrow$ distributive lattice, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$

s.t. $\alpha(x) \beta(y) \leq \gamma(x \vee y) \delta(x \wedge y) \quad \forall x, y \in X$

Then $\forall A, B \subseteq X \quad \alpha(A) \beta(B) \leq \gamma(A \vee B) \delta(A \wedge B)$



$L = J(P)$

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Cor 2 $L = (X, \leq)$ - distributive lattice

$$A, B \subseteq X \Rightarrow |A| \cdot |B| \leq |A \vee B| \cdot |A \wedge B|$$

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More correlation inequalities

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Last time: $\mathcal{A} \subseteq 2^{[n]}$, $\varphi: 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $\varphi(\mathcal{A}) := \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}} \varphi(A)$

Def $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \subseteq 2^{[n]} \Rightarrow \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B} := \{A \cup B, A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$
 $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} := \{A \cap B, \text{---} \text{---} \}$

Th [A-D, Four functions theorem]

Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta: 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t. $\alpha(A)\beta(B) \leq \gamma(A \cup B)\delta(A \cap B)$
 $\forall A, B \in 2^{[n]}$

Then $\alpha(\mathcal{A}) \cdot \beta(\mathcal{B}) \leq \gamma(\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}) \cdot \delta(\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B}) \quad \forall \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \subseteq 2^{[n]}$

Def $L = (X, \wedge, \vee) \leftarrow$ distributive lattice

$A, B \subseteq X \Rightarrow A \vee B := \{a \vee b, a \in A, b \in B\}$
 $A \wedge B := \{a \wedge b, \text{---} \text{---} \}$

Th $L = (X, \wedge, \vee)$ distributive, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t.
 $\forall a, b \in X: \alpha(a)\beta(b) \leq \gamma(a \vee b)\delta(a \wedge b)$

Then $\forall A, B \subseteq X$

$$\alpha(A)\beta(B) \leq \gamma(A \vee B)\delta(A \wedge B)$$

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Cor 1 $L = (X, \wedge, \vee)$ - distributive, $A, B \subseteq X$

$$\Rightarrow |A| \cdot |B| \leq |A \vee B| \cdot |A \wedge B|$$

Ex (1) $L \leftarrow$ lattice of subgraphs of K_n , $L \cong B_{\binom{n}{2}}$

$A = \{ \text{forests} \}$, $B = \{ \text{Ham subgraphs} \}$

$\Rightarrow A \vee B = B$, $A \wedge B = A$, $\textcircled{\leq}$ holds trivially.

(2) $A = \{ \text{planar subgraphs} \}$, $B = \{ \text{---} \}$. $\textcircled{\leq}$ is hard

Cor 2 $\mathcal{A} \subseteq 2^{[n]}$, $\mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A} := \{ A \setminus A', A, A' \in \mathcal{A} \}$

then $|\mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}| \geq |\mathcal{A}|$

$D \ L := B_n$. By Cor 1 $\Rightarrow B := \{ \bar{A}, A \in \mathcal{A} \}$

$$|\mathcal{A}|^2 = |\mathcal{A}| \cdot |B| \stackrel{\text{Cor 1}}{\leq} \underbrace{|\mathcal{A} \cup B|}_{\#\{A \cup \bar{A}'\}} \cdot \underbrace{|\mathcal{A} \cap B|}_{\#\{A \cap \bar{A}'\}} = |\mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}|^2 \quad \square$$

Note: Partly motivated by Arithmetic Combinatorics

/ Bounds on $|A+B|$, $|A-B|$, $|A \cdot B|$ via $|A|$, $|B|$,

where $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ /

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FKG inequality

[A-S, § 6.2]

Def $L = (X, \wedge, \vee)$ - distributive lattice

$\mu: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is log-supermodular if
 $\mu(x)\mu(y) \leq \mu(x \wedge y)\mu(x \vee y) \quad \forall x, y \in X$

$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is increasing if $f(x) \leq f(y) \quad \forall x \leq y$
decreasing if $f(x) \geq f(y) \quad \forall x \leq y$

order-preserving

Th [Fortuin-Kasteleyn-Ginibre, 1971]

Let $L = (X, \wedge, \vee)$ - distributive, $\mu, f, g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$

s.t. $\mu \leftarrow$ log-super mod, $f, g \leftarrow$ increasing

Then

$$\underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) f(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, f \rangle} \underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) g(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, g \rangle} \leq \underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) f(x) g(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, fg \rangle} \underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, 1 \rangle}$$

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D Def $\alpha, \beta, \delta: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ as follows

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha(x) = \mu(x) f(x) \\ \beta(x) = \mu(x) g(x) \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma(x) = \mu(x) f(x) g(x) \\ \delta(x) = \mu(x) \end{array} \right.$$

4F assumption: $\alpha(x) \beta(y) = \underbrace{\mu(x)}_{\mu(y)} f(x) g(y) \leq \overset{\text{supermod}}{\mu(x \wedge y) \mu(x \vee y)} f(x) g(y)$

$\leq \overset{\text{incr}}{\mu(x \wedge y) \mu(x \vee y)} \underline{f(x \vee y) g(x \vee y)} = \gamma(x \vee y) \underline{\delta(x \wedge y)}$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{4F Thm} \\ A=B=X \end{array} \right\} \quad \alpha(X) \beta(X) \leq \gamma(X) \delta(X) \quad \square$

Th' f -incr, g -decreasing \Rightarrow (-||-) (-||-) \geq (-||-) (-||-)

D $g' := N - g$ where N -suff. large \square

Cor [Kleitman's Thm] $A, B \subseteq 2^{[n]}$

1) A -up-closed, B -down-closed $\Rightarrow |A \cap B| \cdot 2^n \leq |A| |B|$ usual intersection

2) A, B -up-closed $\Rightarrow 2^n |A \cap B| \geq |A| |B|$

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D For 2) $f: 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $g: 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $\mu_i = 1$

$$f(A) := \begin{cases} 1, & A \in \mathcal{A} \\ 0, & \text{oth.} \end{cases}$$

$$g(B) := \begin{cases} 1, & B \in \mathcal{B} \\ 0, & \text{oth.} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mu, 1 \rangle = 2^n, \quad \langle \mu, f \rangle = |\mathcal{A}|, \quad \langle \mu, g \rangle = |\mathcal{B}|$$

$$\text{and } \langle \mu, fg \rangle = |\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B}| \Rightarrow \checkmark \quad \square$$

Note: probab. interpretation of Cor = Kleitman

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1) \mathbb{P}[A \cap B] \leq \mathbb{P}[A] \cdot \mathbb{P}[B] \\ 2) \text{---} \gg \text{---} \end{array} \right\} \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \text{-events}$$

By taking $\mu(A) := \prod_{i \in A} p_i \prod_{i \notin A} (1-p_i)$

$$X = [n], \quad \bar{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \leftarrow \text{probab of } (i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} 1) \mathbb{P}_{\bar{p}}[A \cap B] \leq \mathbb{P}_{\bar{p}}[A] \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\bar{p}}[B] \\ 2) \text{---} \gg \text{---} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \mathcal{A} \text{-Ham} \\ \mathcal{B} \text{-planar}$$

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Th [Shepp, 1982] \leftarrow XYZ Theorem

$P = (X, \preceq)$, $|X| = n$

$x, y, z \in X$ \leftarrow incomparable elt's

Then $P_{LE} [A(x) \leq A(y), A(x) \leq A(z)]$

$$\geq P_{LE} [A(x) \leq A(y)] \cdot P_{LE} [A(x) \leq A(z)]$$

Note $\Leftrightarrow P_{LE} [A(x) \leq A(y)] \leq P_{LE} [A(x) \leq A(y) \mid A(y) \leq A(z)]$ conditional probab.

Th [Winkler, 1983]

Let $P = (X, \preceq)$, $Q = (X, \preceq')$ s.t. $\forall xy \in X$

$$P_{A \in LE(P)} [A(x) \leq A(y)] \leq P_{B \in LE(Q)} [B(x) \leq B(y)]$$

universally correlated

Then Q can be obtained from P by adding valid \preceq

\Leftrightarrow Shepp's thm is optimal

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L25 The XYZ Theorem

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Th [Shepp, 1982] ← XYZ theorem

$P = (X, <)$, $|X| = n$, $x, y, z \in X$ incomparable.

Then $\mathbb{P}_{LE(P)}[A(x) < A(y), A(x) < A(z)]$
 $\geq \mathbb{P}_{LE(P)}[A(x) < A(y)] \cdot \mathbb{P}_{LE(P)}[A(x) < A(z)]$

Proof Let $L_N := \{f: X \rightarrow [N] \text{ s.t. } f(u) \leq f(v) \forall u < v\}$

[A-S, § 6.4]

$L_N \neq [N]^P$ ← poset of order-preserving maps

Define $<$ on L_N as follows

$f \leq g \iff f(x) \geq g(x)$ and $f(x') - f(x) \leq g(x') - g(x)$
 $\forall x' \in X$

Define $[f \wedge g](u) = \min \{ f(u) - f(x), g(u) - g(x) \} + \max \{ f(x), g(x) \}$

$[f \vee g](u) = \max \{ \text{---} | \text{---} \} + \min \{ \text{---} | \text{---} \}$

Main Lemma L_N is a distributive lattice

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$D(\text{of } ML)$ Obs 1 L_N is a lattice

Indeed

$$\begin{cases} f \wedge g \leq f, g \leq f \vee g \\ f \vee (f \wedge g) = f, f \wedge (f \vee g) = f \end{cases} \quad \forall f, g \in L_N$$

Obs 2

$$\min\{a, \max\{b, c\}\} = \max\{\min\{a, b\}, \min\{a, c\}\}$$

$\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ ④ Obs 2' $\min \leftrightarrow \max$

$$\text{!} \Leftrightarrow ([\mathbb{N}], \leq) = ([\mathbb{N}], \wedge = \min, \vee = \max) \leftarrow \text{distributive!}$$

Obs 3

$\forall f, g, h \in L_N$ we have

$$\boxed{f \wedge (g \vee h) = (f \wedge g) \vee (f \wedge h)}$$

Indeed

$\forall u, x \in X$

$$\begin{aligned} [f \wedge (g \vee h)](u) &= \min\{f(u) - f(x), [g \vee h](u) - [g \vee h](x)\} \\ &\quad + \max\{f(x), [g \vee h](x)\} \\ &= \min\{f(u) - f(x), \max\{g(u) - g(x), h(u) - h(x)\}\} \\ &\quad + \max\{f(x), \min\{g(x), h(x)\}\} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

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$$[(f \wedge g) \vee (f \wedge h)](u) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [f \wedge g](u) - [f \wedge g](x) \\ [f \wedge h](u) - [f \vee g](x) \end{array} \right\},$$

$$+ \min \{ [f \wedge g](x), [f \wedge h](x) \}$$

$$= \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min \{ f(u) - f(x), g(u) - g(x) \} \\ \min \{ f(u) - f(x), h(u) - g(x) \} \end{array} \right\} +$$

$$+ \min \{ \max \{ f(x), g(x) \}, \max \{ f(x), h(x) \} \}$$

Use Obs 2 w/

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a = f(u) - f(x) \\ b = g(u) - g(x) \\ c = f(u) - h(x) \end{array} \right.$$

and Obs 2' w/

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a = f(x) \\ b = g(x) \\ c = h(x) \end{array} \right.$$

$\Rightarrow L_N$ is distributive (Obs 3) \square

Now use FKG

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FKG inequality

[A-S, § 6.2]

Def $L = (X, \wedge, \vee)$ - distributive lattice

$\mu: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is log-supermodular if
 $\mu(x)\mu(y) \leq \mu(x \wedge y)\mu(x \vee y) \quad \forall x, y \in X$

$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is increasing if $f(x) \leq f(y) \quad \forall x \leq y$
decreasing if $f(x) \geq f(y) \quad \forall x \leq y$

order-preserving

Th [Fortuin-Kasteleyn-Ginibre, 1971]

Let $L = (X, \wedge, \vee)$ - distributive, $\mu, f, g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$

s.t. $\mu \leftarrow$ log-super mod, $f, g \leftarrow$ increasing

Then

$$\underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) f(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, f \rangle} \underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) g(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, g \rangle} \leq \underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) f(x) g(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, fg \rangle} \underbrace{\left(\sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) \right)}_{\langle \mu, 1 \rangle}$$

Back to P

$$\mu: L_N \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

$$\mu(f) = \begin{cases} 1, & f \leftarrow \text{order-preserving} \\ 0, & \text{oth.} \end{cases}$$

Obs 4

$$f, g \in [N]^P \Rightarrow f \vee g, f \wedge g \in [N]^P$$

$\not\Rightarrow \mu$ - log-supermodular, since

$$\mu(f) = \mu(g) = 1 \Rightarrow \mu(f \wedge g) = \mu(f \vee g) = 1 /$$

Indeed

$$\forall u \preceq v, u, v \in X,$$

suppose

$$f(u) \leq f(v), \quad g(u) \leq g(v)$$

Then

$$[(f \vee g)](u) = \max \{ f(u) - f(x), g(u) - g(x) \} \\ + \min \{ f(x), g(x) \}$$

$$\leq \max \{ f(v) - f(x), g(v) - g(x) \}$$

$$+ \min \{ f(x), g(x) \} = [(f \vee g)](v)$$

Same argument for

$$[(f \wedge g)](u) \leq [(f \wedge g)](v)$$

Back

to FKG

and

xyz

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Def $F, G: L_N \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ $\forall f \in L_N$

$$F(f) = \begin{cases} 1, & f(x) \leq f(y) \\ 0, & \text{oth} \end{cases}$$

$$G(f) = \begin{cases} 1, & f(x) \leq f(z) \\ 0, & \text{oth} \end{cases}$$

Obs 5 F, G are increasing

Indeed $\forall f, g \in L_N$ s.t. $f \leq g$, $F(f) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq f(y) - f(x) \leq g(y) - g(x) \Rightarrow F(g) = 1 \quad \square$$

Conclusion of XYZ proof: $\Delta_N := [N]^P \subset L_N$

$$IP_{\Delta_N} [f(x) \leq f(y), f(x) \leq f(z)] \geq (FKG)$$

$$\geq IP_{\Delta_N} [f(x) \leq f(y)] \cdot IP_{\Delta_N} [f(x) \leq f(z)]$$

Let $N \rightarrow \infty$, $\tilde{f} := \frac{1}{N} f \rightarrow$ uniform in $\mathcal{O}_P \rightarrow$ unif LEP

$$IP_{\mathcal{O}_P} [\tilde{f}(x) < \tilde{f}(y), \tilde{f}(x) \leq \tilde{f}(z)] \geq IP_{\mathcal{O}_P}[-1] \cdot IP_{\mathcal{O}_P}[-1] \quad \square$$

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Note: $\textcircled{7} \rightarrow \textcircled{7}$ in XYZ th. [Fishburn, 1984]

[Brigtwell-Trotter, 2002] ← proof via counting, ≈ 12 pp.

[Suee-Hong Chan, 2020]: XYZ \Rightarrow Hammett-Pottel

$$e(P) \geq n! \prod_{x \in X} b(x)^{-1}$$

Winkler's canonical linear ordering [social choice]

$$f_P(x) := \frac{1}{e(P)} \sum_{A \in LE(P)} A(x), \quad f_P: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$$

$P = (X, \leq)$ poset

$f_P \rightarrow$ some LE, $A \in LE(P)$

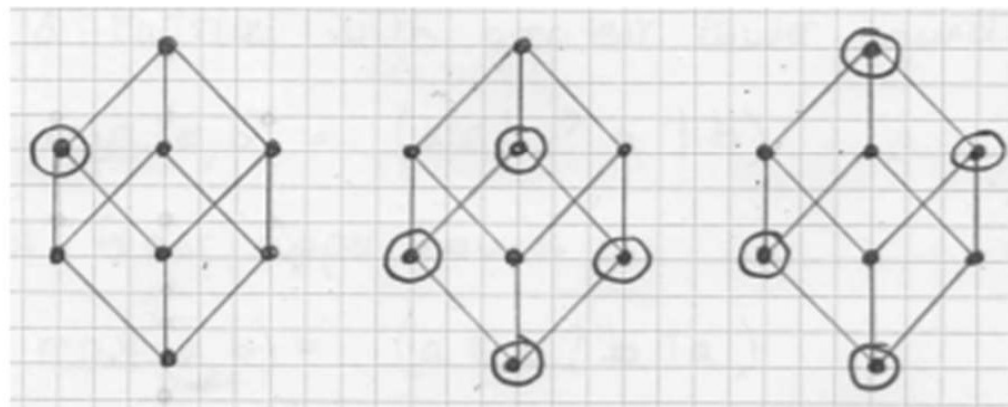
Note: The sublattice \implies lattice assertion is true indeed!

Sublattices

- Let $\langle L, \leq, \sqcup, \sqcap \rangle$ be a lattice. $S \subseteq L$ is a sublattice of L if and only if

$$\forall x, y \in S : x \sqcup y \in S \wedge x \sqcap y \in S$$

- Examples:



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Th [Shepp, 1982] \leftarrow XYZ theorem

$P = (X, <)$, $|X| = n$, $x, y, z \in X \leftarrow$ incomp

$$\Rightarrow P_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y), A(x) < A(z)] \geq |RE(P) [A(x) < A(y)]| \cdot P_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(z)]$$

Def [Winkler, 1982] $h_p: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \leftarrow$ canonical ordering

$$h_p(x) := \frac{1}{e(P)} \sum_{A \in LE(P)} \underline{A(x) - 1} = |E_{LE(P)} [A(x)] - 1| \geq 0$$

Th [Winkler, 1982] $P = (X, <)$, $x, y \in X$ incomp

Let $P' := P \cup (x \# y)$, $P'' := P \cup (x \# y)$

Then $h_{P'}(x) \geq h_P(x)$. Moreover $h_{P'}(x) \geq$

$$1 + h_{P''}(x)$$

Obs Let $p = P_{LE}(A(x) \# A(y))$

Then $h_P(x) = h_{P'}(x) \cdot p + h_{P''}(x) \cdot (1-p) \leq h_{P'} \cdot p + (h_{P'} - 1) \cdot (1-p)$
 $\leq h_{P'} (p + (1-p)) - (1-p) \leq h_{P'}$

Moreover
 \Rightarrow Then

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D (cont'd)

Let $Z_y = \begin{cases} 1, & A(x) > A(y) \\ 0, & \text{oth.} \end{cases} \leftarrow \text{r.v.}$

$$\Rightarrow h_p(x) = \mathbb{E}_x[A(x) - 1] = \sum_{z \neq x} \mathbb{E}_x[Z_z] = \sum_{z \in X} \mathbb{P}_{LE} [A(x) > A(z)]$$

Similarly

$$h_{p'}(x) = \sum_{z \in X} \mathbb{P}_{LE} [A(x) > A(z) \mid A(x) > A(y)]$$

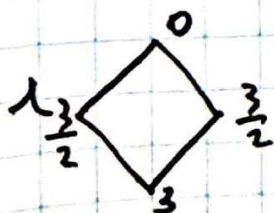
$$h_{p''}(x) = \sum_{z \in X} \mathbb{P}_{LE} [A(x) > A(z) \mid A(x) < A(y)]$$

XYZ theorem $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{LE(p)} [A(x) > A(z) \mid A(x) > A(y)]$
 $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{LE(p)} [A(x) > A(z) \mid A(x) < A(y)]$

$$\Rightarrow h_{p'}(x) = \sum_{z \neq x, y} \mathbb{P}[>|>] + \mathbb{P}[z=y] + \mathbb{P}[z=x]$$
$$\Rightarrow \sum_{z \neq x, y} \mathbb{P}[>|<] + 1 + 0 = h_{p''}(x) + 1 \quad \square$$

Note $h_p: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is not always linear

but at least it's well-defined!



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Social Choice Def [preferential ordering]

$P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$, $x, y \in X$ incomp.

Let $x \triangleleft y$ if $IP_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] > \frac{1}{2}$

Th [Fishburn, 1974] $\exists P = (X, \prec)$ s.t.

$x \triangleleft y, y \triangleleft z, z \triangleleft x$ for some $x, y, z \in X$

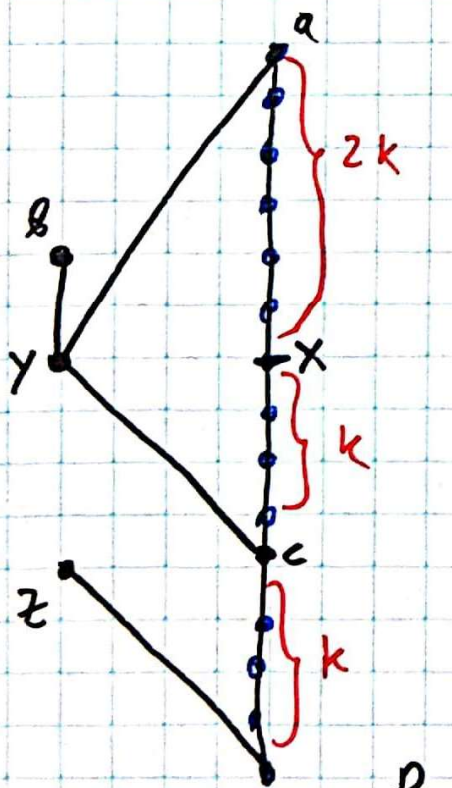
D (sketch)

$$e(P_k) \sim c \binom{4k}{3} = \Theta(k^3)$$

$$IP [A(x) > A(y)] \sim \frac{5}{9}$$

$$IP [A(y) > A(z)] \sim \frac{1}{2} +$$

$$IP [A(z) > A(x)] \sim \frac{1}{2} +$$



Note: $k=6$ works \checkmark

Q: Why?

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Intransitive dice

Def Die A beats die B if $A \triangleright B$

$$IP[A > B] > \frac{1}{2}$$

Obs / Th \exists dice A, B, C st. $A \triangleright B, B \triangleright C, C \triangleright A$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A := [2 \ 2 \ 4 \ 4 \ 9 \ 9] \\ B := [1 \ 1 \ 6 \ 6 \ 8 \ 8] \\ C := [3 \ 3 \ 5 \ 5 \ 7 \ 7] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow IP[A > B] = IP[B > C] \\ = IP[C > A] = \frac{5}{9} \quad \square$$

Ex [Efron's Dice] \leftarrow W. Buffett vs. Bill Gates

$$A := [4 \ 4 \ 4 \ 0 \ 0]$$

$$B := [3 \ 3 \ 3 \ 3 \ 3 \ 3]$$

$$C := [6 \ 6 \ 2 \ 2 \ 2 \ 2]$$

$$D := [5 \ 5 \ 5 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A \triangleright B \triangleright C \triangleright D \\ D \triangleright A \end{array} \right\}$$

Th [P.J. Polymath, 2017] $A, B, C \in$ random n -sided

dice w/ sides $\in [N, \oplus = \binom{n}{2}]$, Then $IP[A \triangleright C | A \triangleright B \triangleright C] \sim \frac{1}{2}$

Th [Hazle-Kossel-Ross-Zheng, 2020] sides $\in \mathcal{N}(0, 1), \oplus = 0$

$\Rightarrow IP[\] = 0$ a.s.

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$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ Conjecture

Conj ($\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$) $P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$, $P \neq C_n$
 $\exists x, y \in X$ s.t. $\mathbb{P}_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}]$

History: Kislitsyn (1968), Fredman (1976)

Motivation: Sorting w/ partial information

Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $f(x) < f(y) \nleftrightarrow x \prec y$
and $f(x) \neq f(y) \nleftrightarrow x, y \in X$

Find $LE(P) \ni A$ defined by f

Conj known for

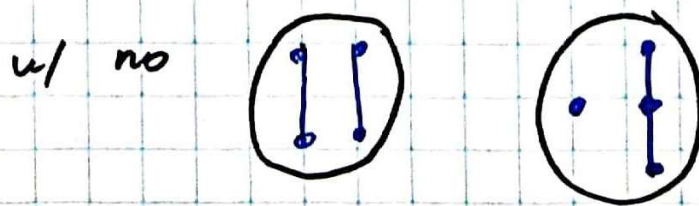
1) $\text{width}(P) \leq 2$

2) $\text{height}(P) \leq 2$

3) series-parallel posets

4) $n \leq 11$

5) semiorders := posets

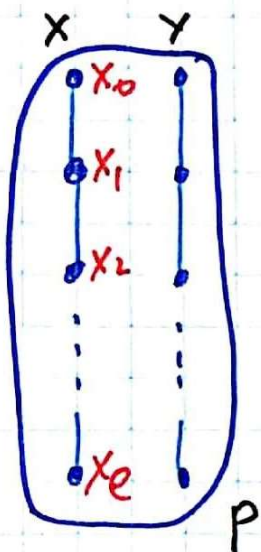


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Th [Linial, 1984]

$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ conj holds for posets of width 2

$\triangleright P = (X, \leq)$, $|X| = n$, \exists partition $P = \underbrace{C_1 \sqcup C_2}_{\text{chains}}$



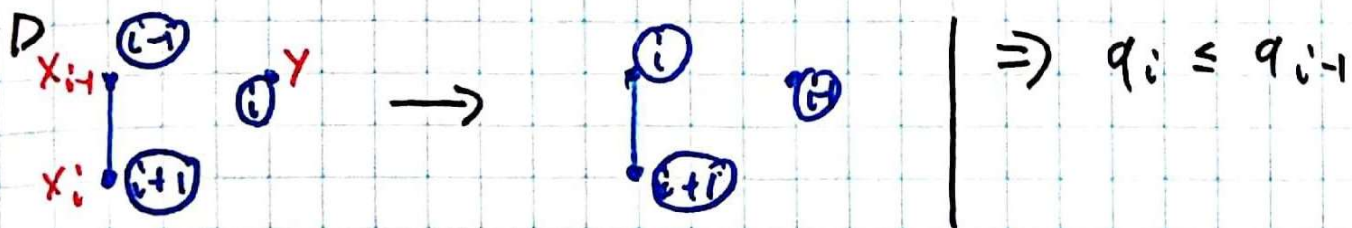
$x \leftarrow \min$ in $C_1 := \{x = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_e\}$
 $y \leftarrow \min$ in C_2

I f $IP[A(x) < A(y)] \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}] \checkmark$

Assume $IP[] < \frac{1}{3}$ / relabel oth. /

Let $q_0 := IP[A(y) < A(x_0)] < \frac{1}{3}$
 $q_1 := IP[A(x_0) < A(y) < A(x_1)]$
 \vdots
 $q_i := IP[A(x_{i-1}) < A(y) < A(x_i)]$

Obs 1 $q_0 + q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_e = 1 \checkmark$ } \Rightarrow some $q_0 + \dots + q_i \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}]$
Obs 2 $q_0 \geq q_1 \geq q_2 \geq \dots \geq q_e \geq 0$



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Next time

Th [Kahn-Saks, 1984] $\exists \varepsilon > 0 \neq \frac{3}{11} /$

s.t. $\forall P = (X, \preceq) \exists x, y \in X$

$\mathbb{P}_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \in [\varepsilon, 1 - \varepsilon]$

Note: this can be made effective + fast
[Cardinal et al., 2010]

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L27 $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ Conjecture

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Conj [$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ Conj]

$P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$. Then $\exists x, y \in X$ s.t.

$$\frac{1}{3} \leq \mathbb{P}_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

Th [Linial, 1984]

$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ Conj holds for posets of width 2

Th [Kahn-Saks, 1984]

$P = (X, \prec)$, $|X| = n$. Then $\exists x, y \in X$ s.t.

$$\frac{3}{11} \leq \mathbb{P}_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \leq \frac{8}{11}$$

Today: we prove $\mathbb{P}[-1-] \in [\varepsilon, 1-\varepsilon]$
for some $\varepsilon > 0$.

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Recall poset polytope $\mathcal{O}_P \subseteq [0,1]^n$

$$\mathcal{O}_P := \{ f: X \rightarrow [0,1] \text{ s.t. } f(x) \leq f(y) \quad \forall x \prec y, x, y \in X \}$$

Vertices of \mathcal{O}_P are $\chi^U(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in U \\ 0, & \text{oth} \end{cases}$ where

$U \subset X$ upper order ideal

$$/ x \in U \Rightarrow y \in U \quad \forall y \succ x /$$

$$\text{Vol}_n(\mathcal{O}_P) = \frac{e(P)}{n!}$$

$$h_P: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+, \quad h_P(x) := \frac{1}{e(P)} \sum_{A \in LE(P)} A(x)$$

$$1 \leq h_P(x) \leq n \quad \forall x \in X$$

$$\underline{\quad} \text{center of mass} \quad \text{cm}(\mathcal{O}_P) = \frac{1}{n+1} h_P$$

\triangleright Recall $\mathcal{O}_P = \bigsqcup_{A \in LE(P)} \Delta_A$

For $P = C_n$ we have $\mathcal{O}_P = \Delta = \text{conv}\{(0, \dots, 1, \dots, 1)\}$

and $\text{cm}(\mathcal{O}_P) = \text{cm}(\Delta) \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \frac{1}{n+1} (1, 2, \dots, n) = \frac{1}{n+1} h_{C_n}$

$$\Rightarrow \forall P \quad \text{cm}(P) = \frac{1}{e(P)} \sum_{A \in LE(P)} \text{cm}(\Delta_A) = \frac{1}{n+1} \left[\frac{1}{e(P)} \sum h_{A_i} \right]$$

order polytope

\leftarrow def.

\leftarrow vertices
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\leftarrow Vol L20

\leftarrow Winkler's
canonical ordering

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\leftarrow Exc

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Obs $\exists x, y \in X$ s.t. $|h_p(x) - h_p(y)| \leq 1$

D Indeed $|X| = n$ but $h_p(x) \in [1 \dots n] \forall x \in X$ \square

Main Lemma $\forall x, y \in X$ s.t. $|h_p(x) - h_p(y)| < 1$

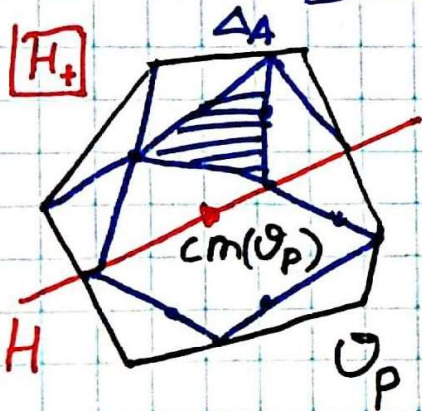
$\mathbb{P}_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \in [\varepsilon, 1 - \varepsilon]$ / Some $\varepsilon > 0$ we make explicit/

Case $h_p(x) = h_p(y)$

$H := H_{xy} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ hyperplane

$= \{f(x) = f(y), f \in \mathcal{O}_P\}$

$\Rightarrow \text{cm}(\mathcal{O}_P) \in H$



$$\mathcal{O}_P = \bigcup_{A \in LE(P)} \Delta_A$$

Obs $\forall A \in LE(P)$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta_A \in H_+ & \Leftrightarrow A(x) > A(y) \\ \Delta_A \in H_- & \Leftrightarrow A(x) < A(y) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] = \frac{\#\{A \in LE(P) : A(x) < A(y)\}}{e(P)}$$

$$= \frac{\text{vol}(\mathcal{O}_P \cap H_-)}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{O}_P)}$$

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Th [Grünbaum, 1960]

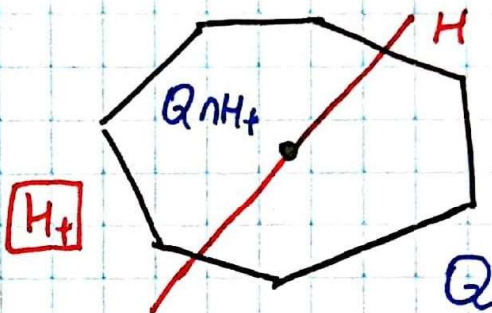
$Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ convex body,

$H \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ hyperplane

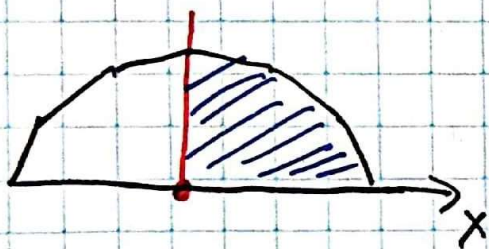
Then

$$\frac{\text{vol}(Q \cap H_+)}{\text{vol}(Q)} > \frac{1}{e}$$

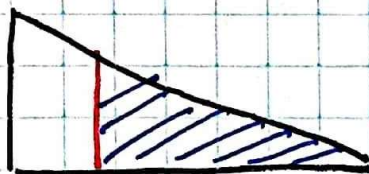
$$\text{cm}(Q) \in H$$



Proof idea: project onto x -coordinate $\perp H$

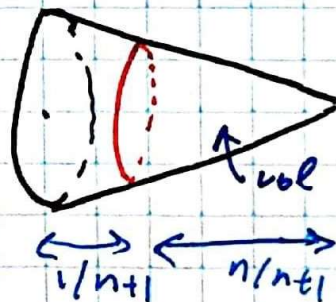


Better ratio \Rightarrow



Brun-Minkowski

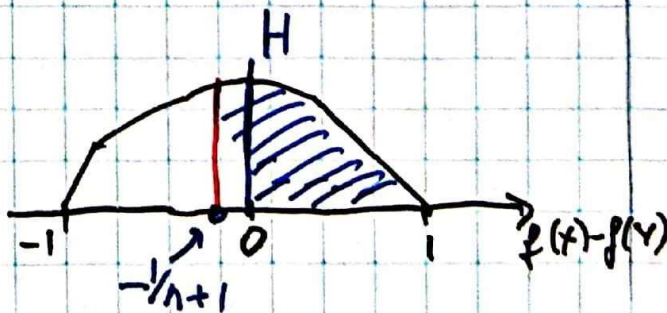
\Rightarrow



worst case ratio = $\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n > \frac{1}{e}$ \square

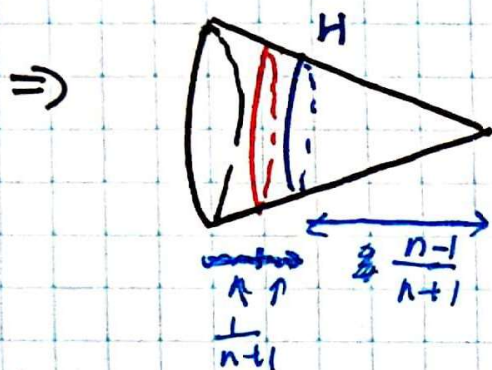
$$\Rightarrow \text{IP} = \frac{\text{vol}(Q_p \cap H_+)}{\text{vol}(Q_p)} \in \left[\frac{1}{e}, 1 - \frac{1}{e}\right] \quad \checkmark$$

General case: $\text{cm}(Q_p) \notin H$



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Now similar B-M - type argument



$$\frac{\text{vol}(Q \cap H_+)}{\text{vol}(Q)} > \left(1 - \frac{2}{n+1}\right)^n > \frac{1}{e^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow IP = \frac{\text{vol}(\mathcal{O}_P \cap H_+)}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{O}_P)} \in \left[\frac{1}{e^2}, 1 - \frac{1}{e^2}\right] \quad \checkmark$$

Best known: $IP \in \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}\right]$

[Brightwell - Felsner
- Trotter, 1995]

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Conj [Kahn-Saks] $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists k = k(\varepsilon)$

s.t. $\forall P = (X, \prec)$, $\text{width}(P) > k$

$$IP_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \in \left[\frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon, \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon\right]$$

for some $x, y \in X$

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Final chapter

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What else is known about $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ conj?

Conj $[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}] \quad \forall P = (X, \mathcal{L}), |X| = n \quad \exists x, y \in X$
s.t. $\frac{1}{3} \leq P_{LE(P)} [A(x) < A(y)] \leq \frac{2}{3} \quad / P \neq C_n /$

Def $\delta(P) := \min_{x, y \in X} |P_{LE} [A(x) < A(y)] - P_{LE} [A(x) > A(y)]|$

Conj [Kahn-Saks, 1984]

$\forall \{P_n\}, \text{width}(P_n) \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \delta(P_n) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$

Th [Komlós, 1990]

$\exists g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+, g(n) \rightarrow \infty$ s.t. $\forall \{P_n\}$ with
 $[\# \text{min elt's of } P_n > \frac{n}{g(n)}] \Rightarrow \delta(P_n) \rightarrow 0$
as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Note: Probably works for $[\text{width}(P_n) > \frac{n}{g(n)}]$

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Special Cases

Th [Chan-P.-Panova] Fix $d \geq 2$, $\epsilon > 0$

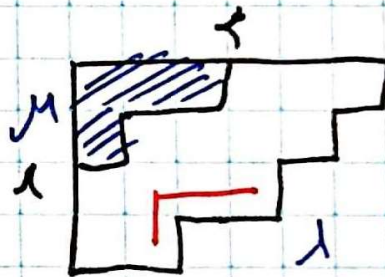
$\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d) \leftarrow$ partition of n s.t. $\lambda_d \geq \epsilon n$.

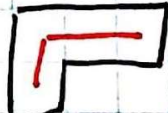
then $\delta(P_\lambda) = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$ / i.e. $\leq \frac{C(d, \epsilon)}{\sqrt{n}}$ /

Proof uses some ideas by Linial + asymptotic AC

Th [Olson-Sagan] (2018)

$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ conj holds $\forall P_{\lambda/m}$



Proof idea: use Linial th for  + case analysis

Th [Trotter-Gehrlein-Fishburn, 1992]

$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ conj holds $\forall P$ w/ $\text{height}(P) = 2$

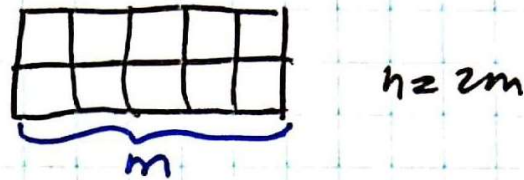
Proof idea: use Komlós th + case analysis.

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Th [Chan-P. - Panova, 2020]

$P_n =$ Catalan poset

$$\Rightarrow \delta(P_n) = O\left(\frac{1}{n^{5/4}}\right)$$



Proof idea: delicate asymptotic analysis

(oh): $5/4$ cannot be improved.

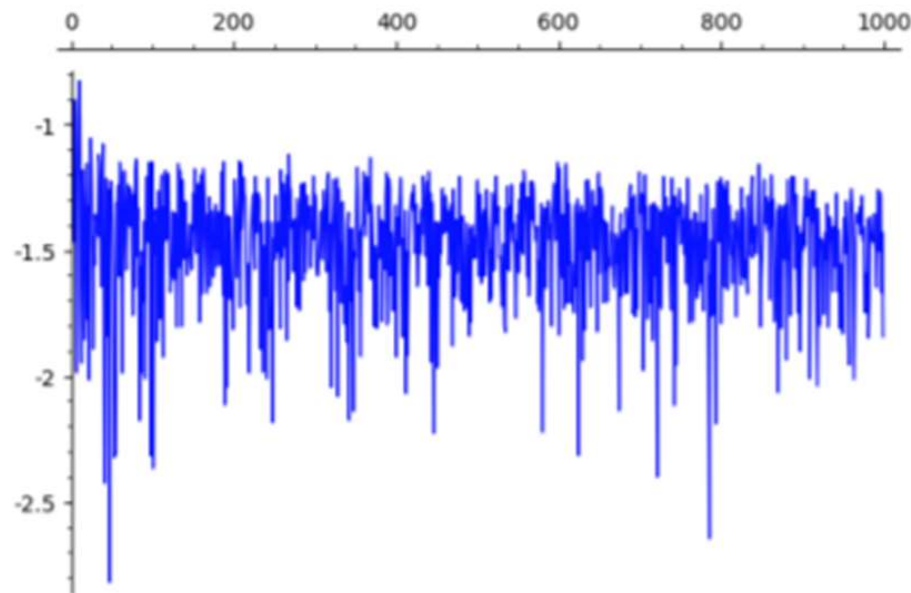
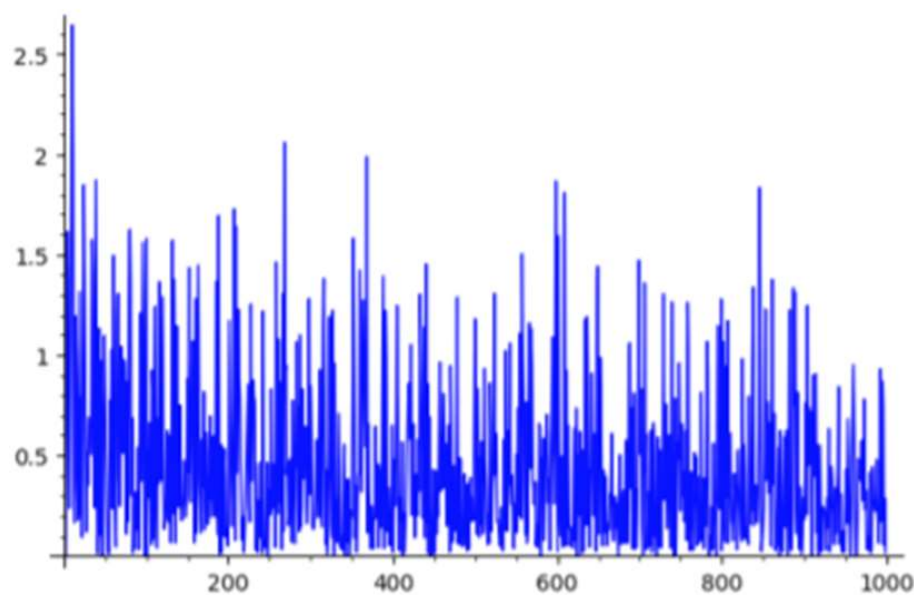


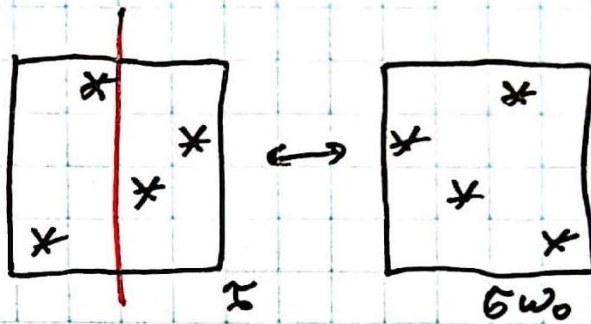
FIGURE 6. Graphs of $\delta(P_n) n^{5/4}$ and $\log_n \delta(P_n)$, for $3 \leq n \leq 1000$.

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Def (duality) $P = (X, \mathcal{L})$, $P^* = (X, \mathcal{L}')$ s.t.

$$\text{com}(P^*) = \overline{\text{com}(P)}$$

Obs: $P_G^* = P_{Gw_0}$, $w_0 = (n, n-1, \dots, 1)$



Th [Sidorenko, 1981]

$$e(P_G) e(P_G^*) \geq n!$$

First proof idea: use chain polytopes

Second —||— : special case of Mahler Conj

$$\text{Vol}(B) \text{Vol}(B^*) \geq \frac{4^n}{n!} \quad \forall \text{ c-s. convex body } B \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$[0,1]^n$ extreme example

where $B^* = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : |y \cdot x| \leq 1 \quad \forall x \in B\}$

For B - corner + reflections = symmetric w.r.t. $(\pm x_i)$

this was proved by Saint-Raymond (1980)

Th [Balogás - Brightwell - Sidorenko, 1999]

$$e(P_G) e(P_G^*) \leq C \cdot n! \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^n$$

Proof: Santaló inequality

unit ball extreme ex

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Complexity issues

Th [Brightwell-Winkler, 1991]

Computing $e(P)$ is #P-complete.

Note: No parsimonious bij i.e. no bij proof

$LE(P) \leftrightarrow 3SAT(F)$ / Because $e(P) \geq 1$ /

Th $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ convex polytope given by facets

\Rightarrow vol(Q) is #P-hard to compute

/ Linial obs + BW Th /

Proof of BW uses mod p argument + CRT

Th [Karzanov-Khachiyan, Matthews, 1991]

RW on Γ_p (\leftarrow graph of n on $LE(P)$ w/ 2-flips /

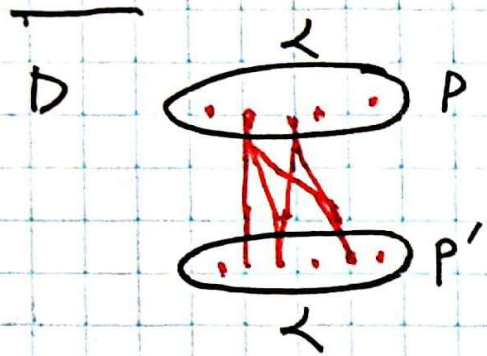
mixes in poly time.

\Rightarrow $e(P)$ can be approx $(1 \pm \epsilon)e(P)$ in poly time.

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Th [Dittmer-P, 2019]

$e(P)$ is $\#P-C$ for $\text{height}(P)=2$



$P=P' \leftarrow B \setminus \text{poset}$


+ CRT argument

+ Wilson's th $(p-1)! = -1 \pmod{p}$



Th [Dittmer-P, 2019]

$e(P_\sigma)$ is $\#P-C$, $\sigma \in S_n$

D Again CRT + gadget constructions
via heavy algebraic computation 

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