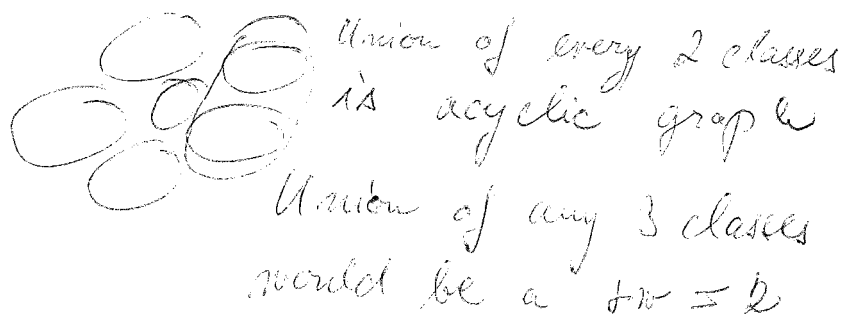


P-tree depth colouring

Last time, we said that P-centered colouring is equal to tree depth (or tree-width?)

Notation: colouring  $\chi$   $\xrightarrow{\text{partition } \chi_i}$  acyclic colouring



From here, we can go to P-tree-width colouring  $\chi_{P-tw}$ .

Def:  $\chi_{P-tw}$  colouring of  $G$  = minimal  $c$  such that there is partition  $(X_1 \dots X_c)$  of  $V(G)$  such that  $\exists I \subseteq \{1 \dots c\}, |I| \leq P, G[\cup_{i \in I} X_i]$  has  $tw \leq |I|-1$ .

~~This~~ This reads as  $\overset{I \rightarrow \gamma}{\text{any } \gamma \text{ classes induce colouring of tree-width at most } |\gamma|-1}$ .

Why is it useful? For local properties!

Another motivation (Nešetřil):

colouring  $\chi$   $\rightarrow$  star colouring  $\chi^*$ ,  $\chi_{sd}$

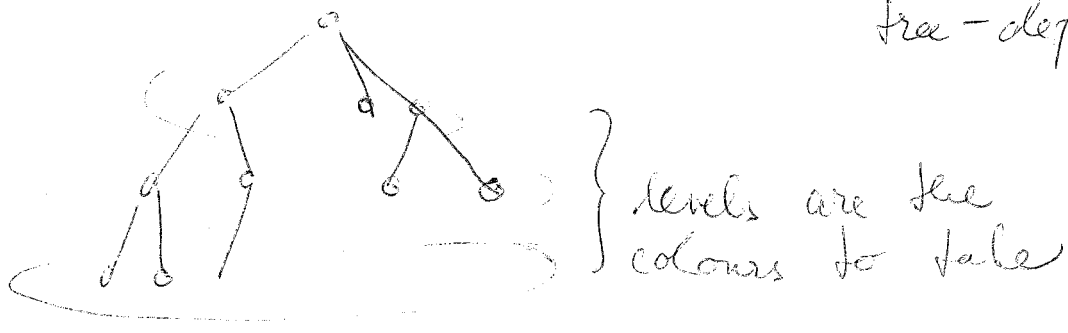
Union of any two classes  
is a forest of stars  
 $\rightarrow$  more restricted  $\equiv$

$\hookrightarrow$  also definable as no path in form  
Red-Blue-Red-Blue (length 4).

Stars have tree-depth = 2, i.e. we  
can generalize to  $p$ -tree-depth colouring  $\chi^p$ .

Def.:  $\chi_p(G) = \min c$  such that  
 $G[\cup X_i]$  has  $td \leq |Y|$ .

Proposition  $\chi(G) = \chi_1(G) \leq \chi_2(G) \leq \dots \leq \chi_{td}(G)(G)$   
 $\downarrow$  every class is independent  $\uparrow$  this is the tree-depth



Question: Is the sequence of  $\chi_p$  bounded on the whole class of graphs? (instead of a single graph).

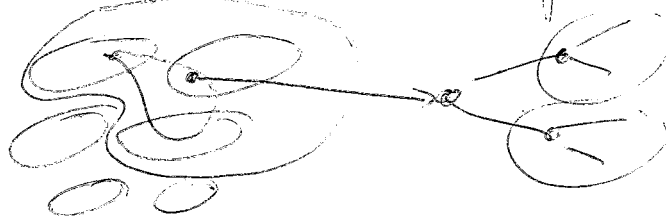
Def:  $p$ -centered colouring - in every  $\neq$  connected subgraph, ~~every~~ at least one colour is used only once.

Def:  $p$ -centered colouring of  $G_{\neq}$  is a proper colouring such that in any connected subgraph  $H \subseteq G$ , either  $H$  has  $\geq p$  colours or some colour occurs exactly once in  $H$ .

Prop:  $\chi_p(G) \leq \min \# \text{colours in a } (p+1)\text{-centered colouring.}$  ( $p$  is number of classes, not colours)

Proof: Take  $(p+1)$ -centered colouring. Take at most  $p$  classes. Take every connected component,

this has  $p$  colours and



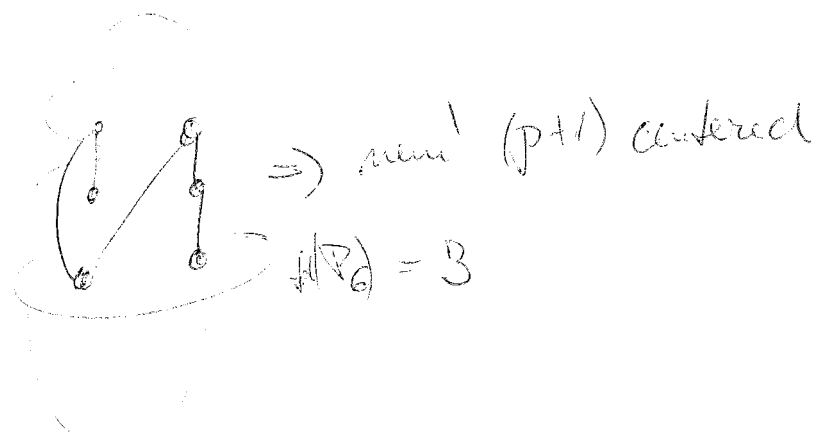
thus it has some colour only once.

Recursively branch,  $i+1 \leq j$ .

On the other hand, take  $p$ -tree-depth colouring.

~~If it has more than  $p$  classes~~

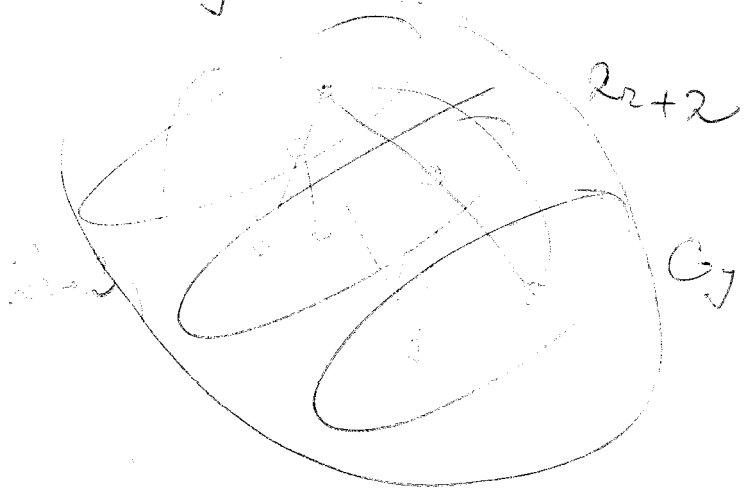
Example!



We want to relate these numbers to bounded expansion and grad:

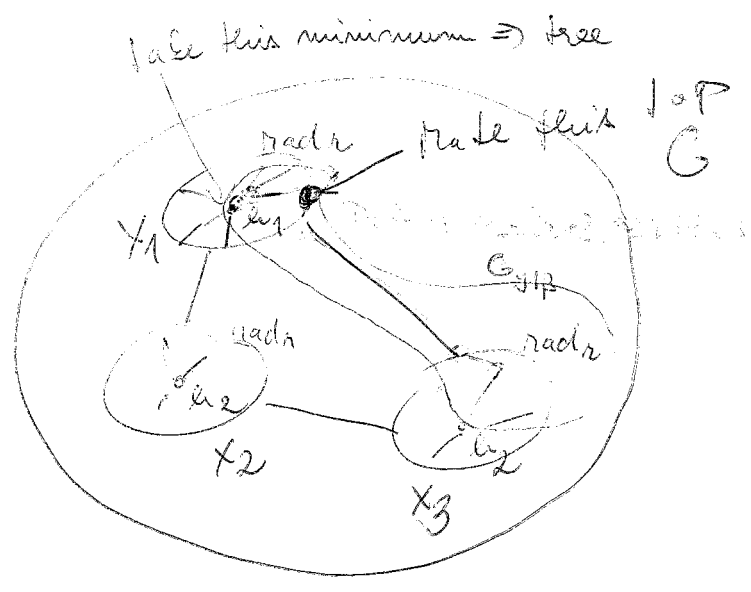
Prop:  $\nabla_n(G) \leq (2r+1) \left( \frac{\chi_{2r+2}(G)}{2r+2} \right)$  | If this is bounded in every  $n$ , then the grad is bounded.

Proof: Use  $\chi_{2r+2}(G)$  colours on  $G$ . Denote by  $G_y$ , for  $y \subseteq \{1 \dots \chi_{2r+2}\}$  and  $|y| = 2r+2$ ,  $G_y$  is the union of these classes, and  $G_y$  is a subseq of closure  $\mathcal{Y}_y$   $\mathcal{Y}_y$ -model of id decomposition.



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Consider  ~~$H \in G$~~   $H \in G \nabla r$  which may be bad (very dense). We want to show that  $H$  does not have too many edges. Focus on how  $H$  resides in  $G$ .



$$V(H) = \{l_{1,1}, l_{2,1} - \}$$

The red path is contained in corresponding  $G_{y_1}$ , i.e.  $G_{y_{13}}$ . This  $G_{y_{13}}$  is in a tree  $T_{1,3}$ , it is not a subpath, but surely one vertex is the top one as this cannot happen  $\neq$



Make the top vertex ~~Top~~

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Top is an ancestor of  $h_i$   $\|H\| \leq |H| \cdot \nabla_r(G) \leq |H| \cdot \frac{\|H\|}{|H|} =$

↑  
upper bound for  
edge density

$$\leq \sum_{I, |I|=2r+2} \sum_{i: h_i \in I} \# \text{ancestors of } h_i$$

↑  
belonging to  $I \cap X_y$

$$\leq \sum_{I, |I|=2r+2} \sum_{i=1}^{|H|} \# \text{of ancestors of } x_i \text{ in } I$$

$$\leq \binom{\chi_{2r+2}(G)}{2r+2} \cdot |H| \cdot (2r+1)$$

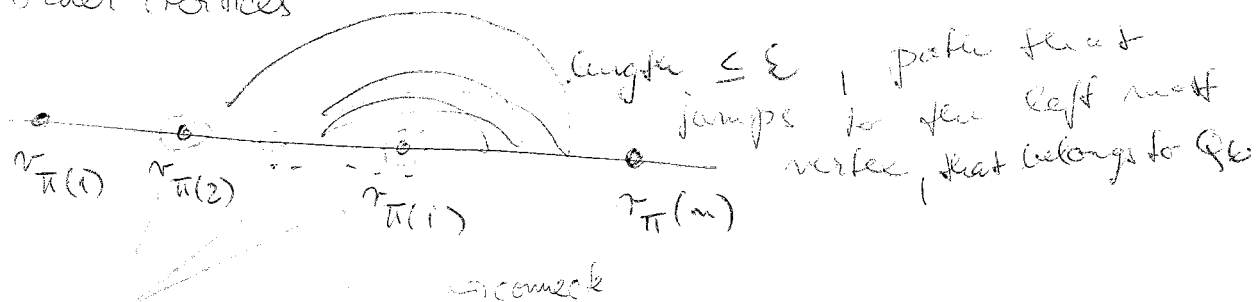
throw away, we have the grad

□

Now, you would like to have the opposite  
- low ~~grad~~ grad implies low ~~tot~~-colouring.

Def.: Weak colouring of  $G$  with  $m$  colours  $\{c_1, \dots, c_m\}$   
 $\text{weak}_\epsilon(G) = 1 + \min_{\pi \in S_m} \max_i |Q_\epsilon(G, \pi, i)|$   
 where  $\pi$  is a permutation and  $i$  is a position.

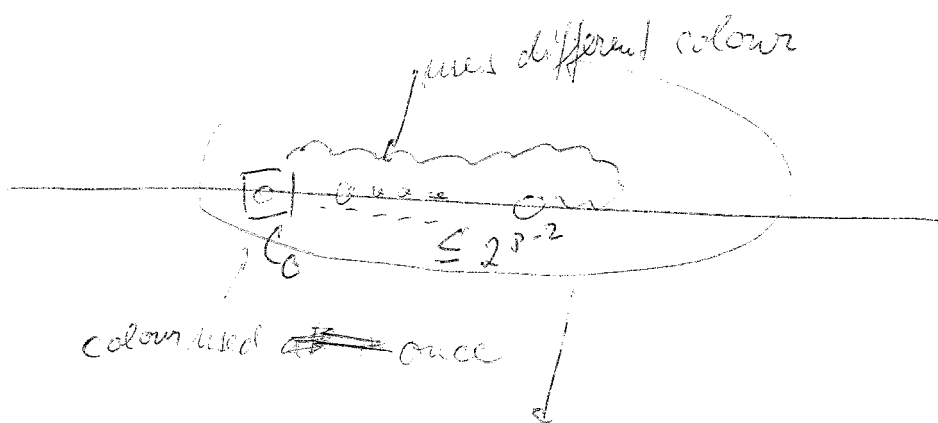
$Q_\epsilon$ : order vertices



vertices - set of vertices on the left of  $v_{\pi(i)}$  are called "nearly accessible from  $v_{\pi(i)}$ "

THM:  $\text{weak}_{2^{p-2}}(G) \leq m$ , then there is  $p$ -centered colouring of  $m$  colours.

Proof



By taking half of the path, do binary search, all vertices have weak access, thus different colours.