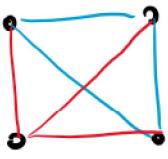
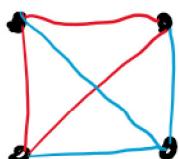


## PROBABILISTIC METHOD

### Ramsey number

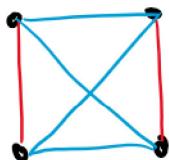
Ramsey number  $R(k, t)$  is the smallest number  $n$ , such that each 2-coloring of edges of  $K_n$  (complete graph of  $n$  vertices) has a red subgraph  $K_k$  or blue subgraph  $K_t$ .

### $R(3,3)$

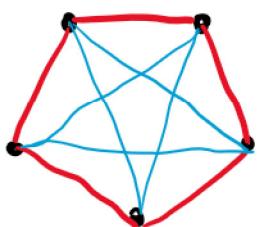


How many colorings does  $K_4$  have?

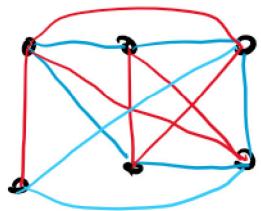
$$2^6 = 64$$



$\Rightarrow$  no red or blue triangle  $\Rightarrow R(3,3) > 4$



$\Rightarrow R(3,3) > 5$



How many colorings are there?

$$\binom{6}{2} \text{-edges } \frac{6!}{2!4!} = \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2} = 15 \text{ edges}$$

$2^{15} \approx 32 \text{ million colorings}$

$$R(3,3) = 6$$

## PROBABILISTIC ARGUMENT

→ Color the graph "randomly" and if probability of a counterexample is larger than 0, the counterexample must exist  $\Rightarrow$  Lower bounds on Ramsey number.

Thm. from slides

$$\binom{n}{\ell} \cdot 2^{1 - \binom{\ell}{2}} < 1 \Rightarrow R(\ell, \ell) > n$$

Let us consider the following coloring experiment:

Color every edge of  $K_n$

red	w.p.	$\frac{1}{2}$
blue	w.p.	$\frac{1}{2}$

Choose  $S \subset V$ ,  $|S| = \ell$

$r_S = 1$  if graph induced by  $S$  is all red

$b_S = 1$  if graph induced by  $S$  is all blue

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr_{S \in \binom{V}{\ell}} (r_S = 1) &= \prod_{S \in \binom{V}{\ell}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\binom{\ell}{2}} \\ &\rightarrow (1 - \frac{1}{2})^{\binom{V}{\ell}} = \frac{1}{2}^{\binom{V}{\ell}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Pr}(b_s=1) = \frac{1}{2}^{\binom{k}{2}}$$

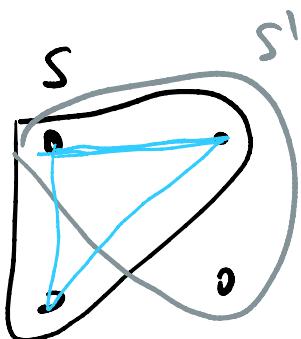
$$\Pr(r_s \vee b_s) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}^{\binom{k}{2}} = 2^{1 - \binom{k}{2}}$$

$\hookrightarrow S$  is either red or blue (monocolored)

What is the probability of some  $S \subset V, |S| = \ell$  to be monocolored?

$$\Pr\left(\bigvee_{S \subset V, |S|=\ell} r_s \vee b_s\right) < \binom{n}{\ell} \cdot 2^{1 - \binom{\ell}{2}}$$

because  $r_s$  and  $r_{s'}$  are generally not independent



$1 - \Pr\left(\bigvee_{S \subset V, |S|=\ell} r_s \vee b_s\right)$  is a probability that graph contains no monocolored subgraph of size  $\ell$   
 = COUNTEREXAMPLE

We need

$$1 - P(V_{r_s \cup b_s}) > 0$$

↳

$$P(V_{r_s \cup b_s}) < 1$$

$$\underbrace{P(V_{r_s \cup b_s})}_{<} < \underbrace{\binom{n}{\ell} 2^{1-\frac{\ell}{2}}}_{<} < 1$$

If  $n = \lfloor 2^{\frac{k}{2}} \rfloor$  then  $R(\ell, \ell) \geq n$

Plugging  $\lfloor n = 2^{\frac{k}{2}} \rfloor$  into our theorem and see if  $\binom{n}{\ell} 2^{1-\frac{\ell}{2}} < 1$

$\binom{n}{\ell} 2^{1-\frac{\ell}{2}} \leq \frac{n^\ell}{\ell!} 2^{1-\frac{\ell(\ell-1)}{2}}$   
over estimate

$$\leq \frac{(2^{\frac{k}{2}})^\ell}{\ell!} \cdot \frac{2}{2^{\frac{\ell(\ell-1)}{2}}} \\ = \frac{2^{\frac{\ell k}{2}}}{\ell!} \cdot \frac{2}{2^{\frac{\ell k}{2}} \cdot 2^{-\frac{\ell}{2}}} \\ = \frac{2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\ell k}{2}}}{\ell!} = \frac{2^{1+\frac{\ell}{2}}}{\ell!}$$

$k=3$

$$\frac{2^{1+\frac{3}{2}}}{6} = \frac{2^{3/2}}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3} \approx 0.9\dots$$

$$\frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{3} \approx 0.9\dots$$

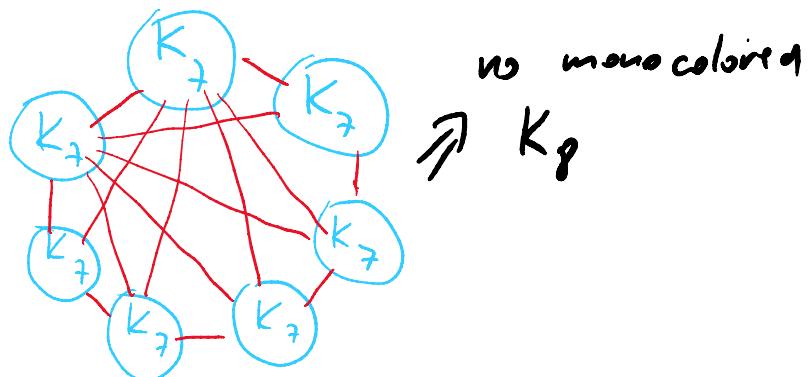
$$K=4 \quad \frac{2^{1+2}}{4!} = \frac{8}{24} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$R(3,3) > \lfloor 2^{\frac{3}{2}} \rfloor = \lfloor \sqrt{8} \rfloor = 2 \quad (\text{real } R(3,3)=6)$$

$$R(4,4) > \lfloor 2^{\frac{4}{2}} \rfloor = 4$$

$$R(8,8) > \lfloor 2^4 \rfloor = 16$$

$$R(8,8) > 49$$



$$R(\ell, \ell) > (\ell-1)^2 \quad \text{constructive} \uparrow \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} k \text{ blue } K_{\ell-1} \text{ simple connected} \\ \text{by red edges} \end{array} \right)$$

$$> 2^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \quad \text{probabilistic}$$

Slides

$$R(3,3)=6$$

$$R(4,4)=18$$

$$43 \leq R(5,5) \leq 49$$

Thm

$$\dots \quad \dots \quad \binom{\ell}{i} \quad \dots \quad \binom{\ell}{i}$$

if  $\underline{\binom{n}{\ell} p^{\binom{\ell}{2}} + \binom{n}{t} (1-p)^{\binom{t}{2}}} < 1$   
then  $R(\ell, t) \geq n \quad (0 \leq p \leq 1)$

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RE: color each edge blue w.p.  $p$   
red w.p.  $1-p$

$$B \subset V, |B|=k$$

$$\Pr(B \text{ is all blue}) = \underline{p^{\binom{k}{2}}}$$

$$\Pr(\text{some subset of size } \ell \text{ is all blue}) < \underline{\binom{n}{\ell} p^{\binom{\ell}{2}}}$$

$$R \subset V, |R|=\ell$$

$$\Pr(R \text{ is all red}) = \underline{(1-p)^{\binom{\ell}{2}}}$$

$$\Pr(\text{some subset of size } t \text{ is all red}) < \underline{\binom{n}{t} (1-p)^{\binom{t}{2}}}$$

Probability of a counterexample for  $R(\ell, t)$

$$1 - \underline{\binom{n}{\ell} p^{\binom{\ell}{2}}} - \underline{\binom{n}{t} (1-p)^{\binom{t}{2}}}$$

We need this to be larger than 0.

$$R(4, t)$$

$$\binom{n}{4} p^6 + \dots$$

$$\frac{n^4}{4!} p^6$$

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$$\left( p = n^{-\frac{2}{3}} \right)$$