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Graph Theoretic Notation

Given a graph G = (V, E), we recall the following notation.

- $\alpha(G)$ G's independence number.
- $\omega(G)$ G's clique number.
- $\chi(G)$ G's chromatic number.

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- The pentagon channel: $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $S_x = \{x, x + 1 \mod 5\}$ for all $x \in \mathcal{X}$.

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Open Question: Can $C^{(n)} = \gamma^{(n)}/n$ grow with n for fixed $\gamma^{(1)} = c$? If true, this would resolve an open question of Erdős, of whether $r_n(c')$ grows faster than any exponential in c'.

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A dual-source consists of a finite set \mathcal{X} , a set \mathcal{Y} and a support set $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$. The fan-out set $S_x = \{y : (x, y) \in \mathcal{S}\}$.

Definition (Dual-Source Instance)

In each dual-source instance sender $P_{\mathcal{X}}$ and receiver $P_{\mathcal{Y}}$ are given (before hand) symbols x and y, respectively, where $(x, y) \in S$.

We are interested in the minimum number of bits needed (irrespective of the starting instance), that $P_{\mathcal{X}}$ needs to send (noiselessly) for $P_{\mathcal{Y}}$ to learn x.

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Corollary

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Preliminaries of Proof

Definition

The vertices of the Kneser graph K(u,t) correspond to all the $\binom{u}{t}$ subsets of size t of $\{1, \ldots u\}$. Two vertices are connected iff they are disjoint.

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While, $\mathcal{X}(K^{\wedge n}(u,t)) \le n(\frac{u}{t})^n \ln \binom{u}{t} = m$

Proof.

Pick *m* colors uniformly and independently from $[u]^n$. Prob. of a color being representative for a vertex $v : (t/u)^n$. Prob. of no color being representative for $v : (1 - (t/u)^n)^m$. The claim follows by union bound over all $\binom{u}{t}^n$ vertices.

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A positive answer would have interesting applications to communication complexity.

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