

## APPLICATIONS

- Streaming
- Property Testing
- game theory
- TIME/SPACE Turing Machine LBs
- Circuit Complexity
- Proof complexity
- Extension Complexity
- Clique/Coclique, Graph Theory, Learning Partial Functions  
Partition vs CC

# Partition Number vs Deterministic CC

Let  $F : \{0,1\}^n \times \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ .

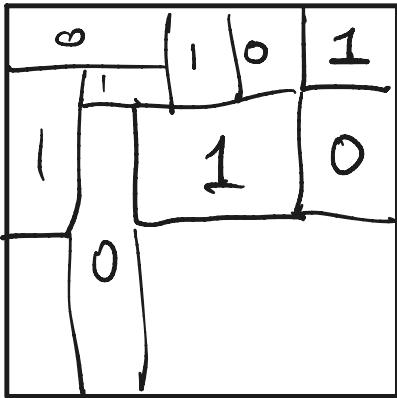
Defn (Partition Number of  $F$ ).

The Partition number of  $F$ ,  $\chi(F) \stackrel{d}{=} \chi_1(F) + \chi_0(F)$

where  $\chi_i(F) = \min$  number of  $i$ -monochromatic rectangles needed to partition  $F^{-1}(i)$

$M_F :$

↙ all Bob's inputs



rows with  
all inputs  
to Alice

$$CC(F) \leq \log(\chi(F)^2)$$

## Partition Number vs Deterministic CC

Open Question (Partition vs Det CC)  $P^{CC}(F) \stackrel{?}{=} \Theta(\log(Y(F)))$

Known  $\forall F \quad P^{CC}(F) \leq O(\log^2 Y(F))$

Theorem 1 [GPN'05, K'05]  $\exists f$  st.  $P^{CC}(F) = \tilde{\Omega}(\log^2 Y_1(F))$  (Q false)

Corollary:  $\exists F$  st.  $P^{CC}(F) = \tilde{\Omega}(\log^2 \text{rank}(F))$  since  $Y_1(F) \geq \text{rank}(F)$

Pf (theorem 1)

Prove query separation + deterministic lifting  
(last class)

# Clique vs Independent Set & Applications

$GIS_g$ :



Clique  $\alpha \subseteq [n]$



Independent set  $\beta \subseteq [n]$

$$GIS_g(\alpha, \beta) = 1 \text{ iff } \alpha \cap \beta = \emptyset$$

\* Note  $|\alpha \cap \beta|$  is 0 or 1, so  $UP^{CC}(GIS_g) = O(\log n)$

↑  
Nondet protocol where every 1 input has exactly one accepting path

$$* P^{CC}(GIS_g) = O(\log^2 n)$$



# Clique vs Independent Set & Applications

$CIS_g$ : Alice given clique  $\alpha$  in  $G$   
Bob given indep. set  $\beta$  in  $G$   
Output 1 iff  $\alpha \cap \beta \neq \emptyset$

Open Question (Clique vs Ind. Set)  $P^{CC}(CIS_g) \stackrel{?}{=} O(\log n)$   
 $CONP^{CC}(CIS_g) \stackrel{?}{=} O(\log n)$

Theorem 2 (gpw)  $\exists g \quad P^{CC}(CIS_g) = \Omega(\log^2 n) \leftarrow \text{deterministic}$

Theorem 3 (Göös, BBBJK)  $\exists g \quad CONP^{CC}(CIS_g) = \Omega(\log^2 n) \leftarrow \text{counded log}$

Corollaries of thm 3: ASS conjecture, learning partial functions

## Proofs via Lifting

Theorem 1 (gpw) <sub>[Kotlari]</sub>  $\exists f$  st.  $P^{cc}(f) = \tilde{\Omega}(\log^2 \chi(f))$

Theorem 2 (gpw)  $\exists g$   $P^{cc}(CIS_g) = \Omega(\log^2 n)$

Theorem 3 (göös, BBBJK)  $\exists g$   $coNP^{cc}(CIS_g) = \Omega(\log^2 n)$

$P^{cc}(f) \Rightarrow P^{dt}(f)$  = decision tree complexity

$NP^{cc}(f) \Rightarrow P^{ndt}(f)$  = min width DNF for  $f$

$\log \chi_1(f) \Rightarrow UP^{dt}(f)$  = min width of an unambiguous DNF for  $f$  (at most one term satisfied by  $\alpha$ )

$\log \chi_0(f) \Rightarrow coUP^{dt}(f) = UP^{dt}(\neg f)$

## ALON SAKS SEYMOUR CONV

Theorem [Graham-Pollak '72]

If  $G$  is an edge-disjoint union of  $K$  complete bipartite graphs  
then max-clique size is  $K+1$

Q: What is max chromatic number of a graph with bipartition number  $k$ ?

Easy: maximum  $\leq k^{O(\log k)}$

Counterexample: [Huang, Sudakov]  $\exists$  graph w/ chromatic #  $k^{\Theta(k)}$

ASS conjecture: Max chrom # is  $\text{poly}(k)$

# CIS CC EQUIVALENT TO ALON-SAKS-SEMOUR

## Theorem

$$\exists g \text{ coNP}^{\text{cc}}(\text{CIS}_g) = \Omega(\log n)^2$$

Theorem 3



$\exists H$  a union of  $n$  disjoint bipartite cliques, and  $\log[X(H)] = \Omega(\log n)^2$

ASS conjecture false

# ALON SARKS SEYMOUR CONJECTURE

Claim  $\exists g \text{ CONP}^{\text{cc}}(\text{CIS}_g) = \Omega(\log^2 n)$  ← THEOREM 3



$\forall k \exists H$  st.  $H$  has bipartition number  $k$ , and chromatic number  $k^{\log k}$

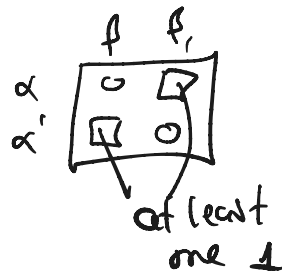
Proof Let  $g = (V, E)$ ,  $|V| = n$  witness Theorem 3.

So  $\text{CONP}^{\text{cc}}(\text{CIS}_g) = \Omega(\log^2 n)$ .

Constructing  $H$ :

$V(H) = \{ (\alpha, \beta) \mid \begin{array}{l} \alpha \text{ a clique in } g \\ \beta \text{ an IS in } g \end{array}, \alpha \cap \beta = \emptyset \}$

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$$\text{Let } A_i = \{ (\alpha, \beta) \in V \mid i \in \alpha \}$$
$$B_i = \{ (\alpha, \beta) \in V \mid i \in \beta \}$$

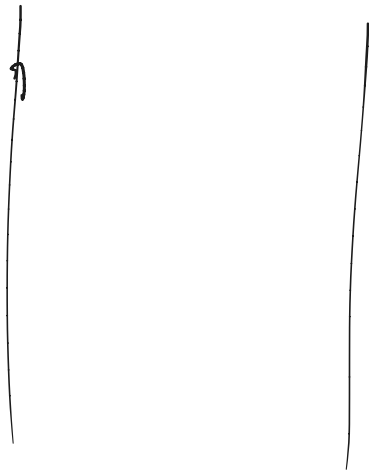
①  $A_i \times B_i$  is a complete bipartite subgraph in  $H$

② every edge in  $H$  is covered by 1 or 2 edges of  $\bigcup_i (A_i \times B_i)$   
(an edge can't appear in both  $(A_i \times B_i) + (A_j \times B_j)$ )

$\alpha$ 

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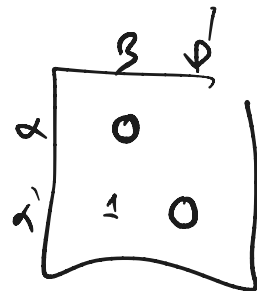
$$B_i = \{(\alpha, \beta) \mid i \in \beta\}$$



$$\underbrace{(\alpha, \beta)}_{\text{in } A_i}, \quad \underbrace{(\alpha', \beta')}_{\text{in } B_i}$$

$i \in \alpha$  and  $i \in \beta'$

$(\alpha, \beta), (\alpha', \beta')$  is an edge so  
 $\exists i$  st.  $\alpha \cap \beta' = i$  ←  
 or  $\alpha' \cap \beta = i$



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∴  $H$  has  $bp_2$  number  $n$

↖ covering by  $n$  complete bipartite subgraphs, each edge appears twice



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Want to show: For any proper coloring of  $H$ , the colors correspond a separator family  $\mathcal{F}$  for  $g$ .

Lemma  $H$  has chromatic number  $\Omega(n^{\log n})$

Defn Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{V^1, V^2, \dots, V^t\}$ ,  $V^i \subseteq V(G) \forall i$

$\mathcal{F}$  is a **separator** for  $G$  if  $\forall (A, B)$  s.t.  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ ,  $\exists i$  such that  $V^i$  separates  $A$  from  $B$

Yannakakis showed:  $\text{CONP}^{\text{cc}}(\text{CS}_G) = \log(\text{min size of separator for } G)$   
 $\therefore$  any separator for  $G$  has size  $\Omega(n^{\log n})$ .

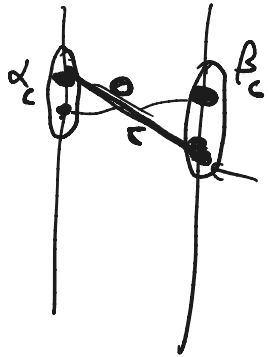
Claim A proper coloring of  $H$  with  $C$  colors implies a separator  $\mathcal{F}$  for  $G$  of size  $C$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a coloring of  $H$

For each color  $c$ , let  $\alpha_c =$  all  $d$ 's s.t.  $\exists \beta$   
s.t.  $\mathcal{C}(d, \beta) = c$

$\beta_c$  similar

there can be  
~~\*~~ No edges between  $\alpha_c$  &  $\beta_c$  in  $H$  so  $c$  separates  
these  $d$ 's from  $\beta$ 's



Claim Let  $d_c = \{\alpha \mid \exists \beta \text{ st } (\alpha, \beta) \text{ colored } c\}$   
 $\beta_c = \{\beta \mid \exists \alpha \text{ st } (\alpha, \beta) \text{ " } c\}$

Then  $\forall$  pairs  $(\alpha, \beta)$  such that  $\alpha \in d_c, \beta \in \beta_c$ ,  $\alpha + \beta$  are disjoint

Let  $(\alpha, \beta), (\alpha', \beta')$  both be colored by  $c$ .

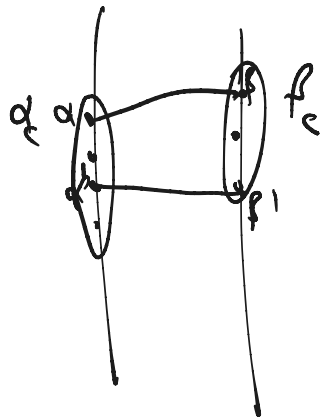
Then there is no edge in  $H$  between  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $(\alpha', \beta')$ .

$\therefore$  (by defn of when an edge is in  $H$ )

this means  $\alpha \cap \beta = \emptyset, \alpha \cap \beta' = \emptyset, \alpha' \cap \beta = \emptyset, \alpha' \cap \beta' = \emptyset$

$\therefore d_c \cup d_c'$  is disjoint from  $\beta_c \cup \beta_c'$

$\therefore \bigcup_{d \in d_c} d$  separates  $d_c$  from  $\beta_c$



A separator  $\mathcal{A}$  for  $g$  of size  $m$  implies a  $\text{comp}^{\text{cc}}$  protocol for  $\text{CIS}_g$  of cost  $\log m$ :

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Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a separator for  $g$   $\mathcal{A} = V^1, V^2, \dots, V^t$

Claim ① if  $\text{CIS}_g(\alpha, \beta) = 0$  then  $\exists i$  that separates  $\alpha$  from  $\beta$

② If  $\text{CIS}_g(\alpha, \beta) = 1$  then  $\forall i$   $V^i$  does not separate  $\alpha$  from  $\beta$ .

Given  $\mathcal{A}$  ~~an~~  $\text{NP}^{\text{cc}}$  protocol for  $\overline{\text{CIS}_g}$  on input  $(\alpha, \beta)$ :

guess some  $i \in [t]$  (~~assume  $i \in V$~~ )

Alice + Bob check if  $V^i$  separates  $\alpha$  from  $\beta$   
(constant # of bits)

If  $V^i$  separates  $\alpha, \beta$  output 1  
else 0

# PAC LEARNING + VC DIMENSION [Alon, Hueteke, Holzman, Moran]

Concept class  $\mathcal{H}$  = set of functions  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

typical:  $X = \{0,1\}^n$ ,  $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{R} = \{0,1\}$

$\mathcal{H}$  is  $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -PAC learnable with sample complexity  $m$  if:

there is a learning alg  $A$  s.t.  $\forall \mathcal{D}$  over  $X$ ,  $\forall h \in \mathcal{H}$

$A$  gets as input a set  $S$  of random labelled pairs,  $|S|=m$

$(x, h(x))$ ,  $x \sim \mathcal{D}$  and outputs some function  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t. w.p.  $\geq 1-\delta$

$$\text{Error}(\mathcal{D}, f) = \Pr_{x \sim \mathcal{D}} [f(x) \neq h(x)] \leq \epsilon$$

$\mathcal{H}$  has poly sample complexity if  $m = \text{poly}(n, \frac{1}{\epsilon}, \frac{1}{\delta})$

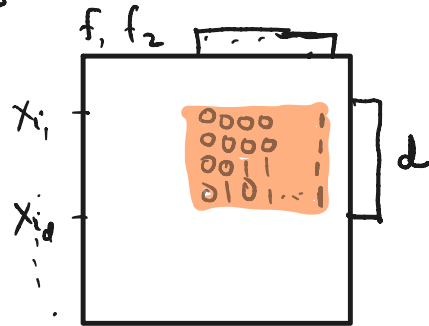
$\mathcal{H}$  is polytime  $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -PAC learnable if further,  $A$  runs  
in time  $\text{poly}(n, \frac{1}{\epsilon}, \frac{1}{\delta})$

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VC-DIM ( $\mathcal{H}$ ): Max  $d$  st.  $\exists x_1, \dots, x_d$  st  
 $\forall \alpha \in \{0,1\}^d \exists f_i \in \mathcal{H}$  st  $f_i|_{x_1, \dots, x_d} = \alpha$



Thm A (total) concept class  $\mathcal{H}$  is PAC-learnable  
iff VC-dim ( $\mathcal{C}$ ) is finite

further, any  $A$  that outputs concept  $f$  that is  
consistent with samples suffices.

## Partial concept classes

$$f_i: X \rightarrow \{0, 1, *\}$$

↑  
don't  
care

	$f_1$	$f_2$	$f_3$	$f_4$	$f_5$	...	...	
$x_1$	1	*	0	0	*	1	0	1
$x_2$	0	0	1	1	1	*	*	1
$x_3$	0	0	*	*	*	0	0	1
$x_4$	1	0	*	0	0	*	1	1

Theorem  $\exists$  a partial concept class  $\mathcal{H}$  of VC Dim 1  
but such that any total class extending  $\mathcal{H}$  has infinite  
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all  
inputs  
 $x \in X$



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$x_1$	1	0	0	1
$x_2$	0	0	1	1
$x_3$	1	1	1	0
...	0	1	1	1
...				...

← all concepts in  $\mathcal{H}$



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Proof

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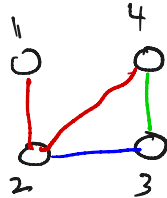
$|V| = N$

$N$  rows /  $i$  x  $N$ s for all  $v \in H$

$k$  columns

$M(v, i) = 1$  if  $v$  on LHS of  $H_i$   
 $0$  if  $v$  on RHS " "  
 $*$   $\emptyset \omega$

Ex



$M:$

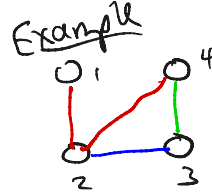
	$H_1$	$H_2$	$H_3$
1	0	x	x
2	1	0	*
3	*	1	0
4	0	x	1

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Let  $g = (V, E)$  be disj union of  $k$  complete bipartite

$$M(v, i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v \text{ on LHS of } H_i \\ 0 & \text{if } v \text{ on RHS " " } \\ * & \text{OW} \end{cases}$$



$$A: \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & * & * \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & * \\ 3 & * & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & * & 1 \end{matrix}$$

• VC Dim of  $A$  is 1 (for every 2 bipartite graphs we have at most 1 vertex in common)

• For any extension of  $A$  to total matrix  $M'$ :

view distinct row vectors as colors. It will give a proper coloring of  $g$

(any edge  $(u, v)$  in  $H$  is covered by some bipartite clique,  $H_i$ )

So entries  $(u, i), (v, i)$  either 0/1 or 1/0 so different colors

$\therefore k^{\log k}$  distinct rows in  $M'$

$\therefore$  by Sauer's Lemma VC Dim  $\geq \log k$

$$\left( n^d \text{ distinct cols} \Rightarrow \text{VC dim} \geq d \right)$$