

Upper bounds on the kissing number via copositive programming

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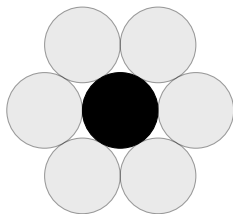
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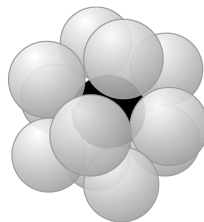
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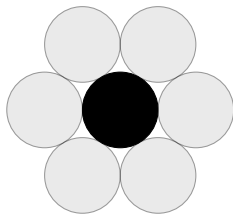
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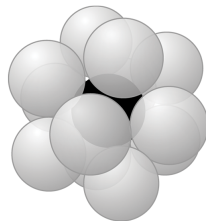
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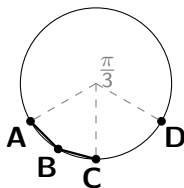
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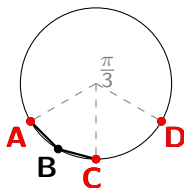
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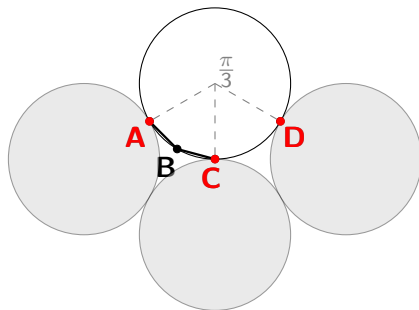
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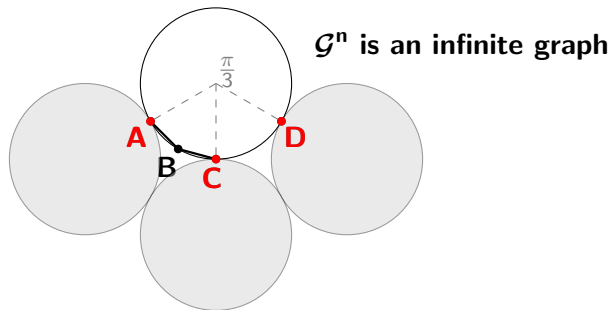
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chromatic number, 3-partitioning, **stability number**

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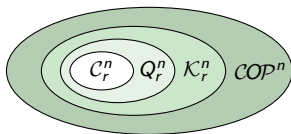
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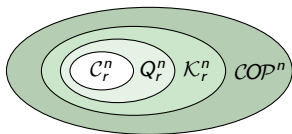
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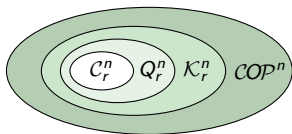
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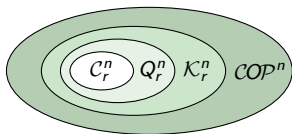


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Thank you for your attention!



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Inner approximations for COP^n

- ▶ Parrilo, 2000:

$$\mathcal{K}_r^n = \left\{ K \in \mathbb{S}^n : \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right)^r \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n K_{ij} x_i^2 x_j^2 \text{ is a sum of squares} \right\}$$

- ▶ De Klerk and Pasechnik, 2002:

$$\mathcal{C}_r^n = \left\{ K \in \mathbb{S}^n : (e^\top x)^r (x^\top K x) \text{ has nonnegative coefficients} \right\}$$

- ▶ Peña, Vera, Zuluaga, 2007:

$$\mathcal{Q}_r^n = \left\{ K \in \mathbb{S}^n : \left[(e^\top x)^r (x^\top K x) - \sum_{|\beta|=r} x^\beta (x^\top S_\beta x) \right] \right.$$

has nonnegative coefficients, $S_\beta \succeq 0$ for all $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^n, |\beta|=r$ $\left. \right\}$

Notation: $e = (1, \dots, 1)$, $|\beta| := \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_n$, $x^\beta := x_1^{\beta_1} \cdots x_n^{\beta_n}$

Write the coefficients explicitly

$$Q_r^n = \left\{ K \in \mathbb{S}^n : (e^\top x)^r (x^\top K x) - \sum_{|\beta|=r} x^\beta (x^\top S_\beta x) \right\}$$

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- ▶ **Lifting operator** \oplus^r applied to a kernel K

$$K^{\oplus r}(v_1, v_2, u_1, \dots, u_r) := K(v_1, v_2), \text{ for all } u_1, \dots, u_r \in V$$

- ▶ **Symmetrization** σ applied to the $(r+2)$ -variate function $K^{\oplus r}$

$$\sigma(K^{\oplus r})(v_1, \dots, v_{r+2}) := \frac{1}{(r+2)!} \sum_{\pi \in \text{permut.}(1, \dots, r+2)} K^{\oplus r}(\pi(v_1, \dots, v_{r+2}))$$

- ▶ **Coefficient** of the monomial $(x_{v_1} \cdots x_{v_{r+2}})$ in $(e^\top x)^r (x^\top K x)$ is

$$\sigma(K^{\oplus r})(v_1, \dots, v_{r+2})$$

2-psd condition, the case $n \geq r > 0$

► For $x, y, z_1, \dots, z_r \in S^{n-1}$ define:

$$Z = [z_1, \dots, z_r]^\top [z_1, \dots, z_r], \quad \chi = [z_1, \dots, z_r]^\top x, \quad v = [z_1, \dots, z_r]^\top y$$

Theorem 4

Let $K : (S^{n-1})^{r+2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function invariant under O_n . Define Z, χ, v as above. Then K is 2-psd iff

$$K(x, y, z_1, \dots, z_r) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} c_i(\chi, v, Z) Q_i \left(\frac{x^\top y - \chi^\top Z^{-1} v}{\sqrt{(1 - \chi^\top Z^{-1} \chi)(1 - v^\top Z^{-1} v)}} \right),$$

where $Q_i(t) = |Z|^i ((1 - \chi^\top Z^{-1} \chi)(1 - v^\top Z^{-1} v))^{\frac{i}{2}} P_i^{\frac{n-r-3}{2}}(t)$ and $c_i(\chi, v, Z)$ are continuous functions, PSD w.r.t. χ, v