

# Gallai-Ramsey Number of Graphs

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# Rainbow coloring

- A coloring of a graph is called **rainbow** if no two edges have the same color.
- Colorings of complete graphs that contain no rainbow triangle have very interesting and somewhat surprising structure.
- T. Gallai, Transitiv orientierbare Graphen, *Acta Math. Acad. Sci. Hungar* 18 (1967), 25–66 first examined this structure under the guise of transitive orientations.

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- The result was reproven in A. Gyárfás and G. Simonyi, Edge colorings of complete graphs without tricolored triangles, *J. Graph Theory* 46(3) (2004), 211–216 in the terminology of graphs and can also be traced to K. Cameron and J. Edmonds, Lambda composition, *J. Graph Theory* 26(1) (1997), 9–16.

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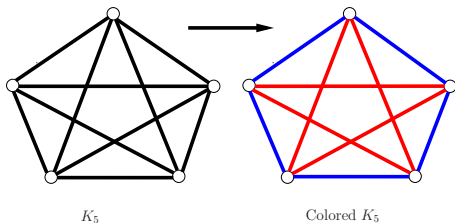
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# Classical Ramsey number

- Given two graphs  $G$  and  $H$ , the graph Ramsey number  $R(G, H)$  is the minimum integer  $n$  such that every (red/blue)-coloring of the edges of  $K_n$  contains either a red copy of  $G$  or a blue copy of  $H$ .





# Classical Ramsey number

- $R(K_3, K_3) = 6;$

$$R(K_4, K_4) = 18;$$

$$43 \leq R(K_5, K_5) \leq 49;$$

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- See the dynamic survey S. P. Radziszowski, Small Ramsey numbers, *Electron. J. Combin.*, Dynamic Survey 1, 30, 1994.

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# Gallai-Ramsey number

## Definition 1

Given two graphs  $G$  and  $H$  and an integer  $k$ , the **Gallai-Ramsey number**  $gr_k(G : H)$  is defined to be the minimum integer  $n$  such that any  $k$  coloring of the complete graph  $K_n$  contains either a **rainbow colored**  $G$  or a **monochromatic**  $H$ .

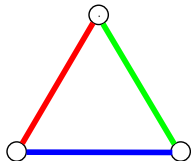
- We generally assume  $G = K_3$ , and therefore  $k \geq 3$ .
- Note that these numbers are bounded by multicolor Ramsey numbers so **existence is obvious**.

# Rainbow triangle free coloring

- For the following statement, a trivial partition is a partition into only one part.

## Theorem 1.1

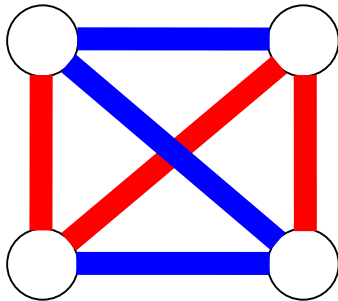
The vertices of *every rainbow triangle free coloring* of a complete graph can be *partitioned* such that all edges between a pair of parts have a single color and all edges between the parts come from only two colors.



- Here by “rainbow” we mean all different colors.

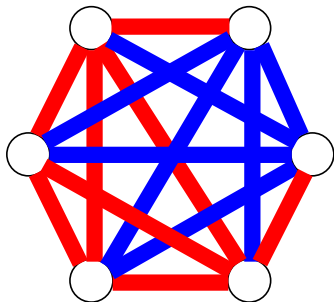
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- What a partition might look like.



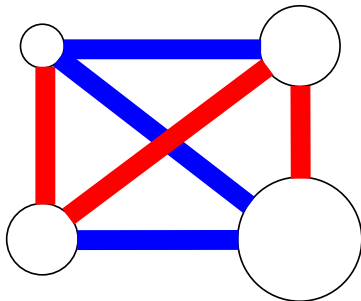
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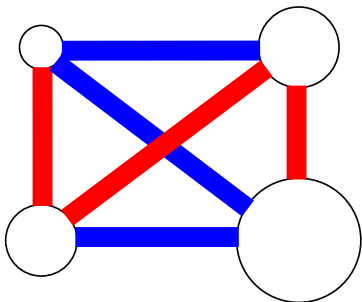
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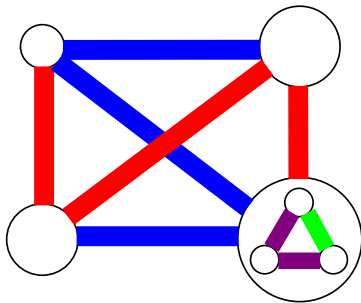
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# Gallai Partition under $K_3$ -coloring

- But we don't know how many parts there are... or big they are... or what happens inside the parts... but we do know the inside is rainbow triangle free.



## Gallai-coloring under $K_3$ -coloring

- For ease of notation, we refer to a colored complete graph with no rainbow triangle as a **Gallai-coloring** and the partition provided by Theorem 1.1 as a **Gallai-partition**.
- The induced subgraph of a Gallai colored complete graph constructed by selecting a single vertex from each part of a Gallai partition is called the **reduced graph** of that partition.
- By Theorem 1.1, the reduced graph is a 2-colored complete graph.

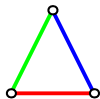
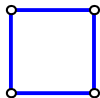
## Survey papers

- The theory of Gallai-Ramsey numbers has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years, especially for the case where  $G = K_3$ .
- We refer the interested reader to the survey S. Fujita, C. Magnant, K. Ozeki, Rainbow generalizations of Ramsey theory: a survey, *Graphs Combin.* 26(1) (2010), 1–30.
- An updated version at S. Fujita, C. Magnant, and K. Ozeki. Rainbow generalizations of Ramsey theory—a dynamic survey, *Theo. Appl. Graphs* 0(1), 2014 for more general information.

# Outline of a Simple Proof

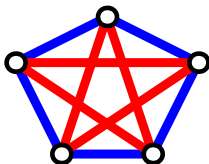
## Theorem 1.2

$$gr_k(K_3 : C_4) = k + 4.$$



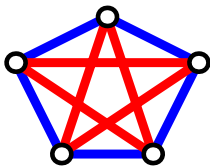
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- For the lower bound, consider the lex. coloring, starting at a 2-colored  $K_5$ .
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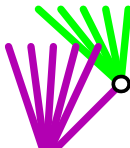
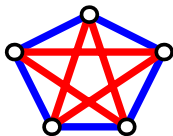
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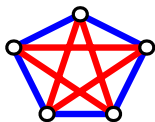
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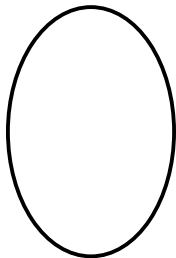
- $n = k + 3$ , no rainbow triangle, no monochromatic  $C_4$ .



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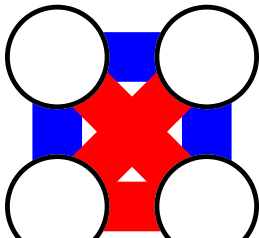
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- Now consider an arbitrary coloring of  $K_{k+4}$  using  $k$  colors with no rainbow triangle.



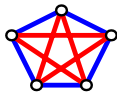
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- There is a Gallai partition, but we don't know how big the parts are.
- Recall: all one color between each pair.



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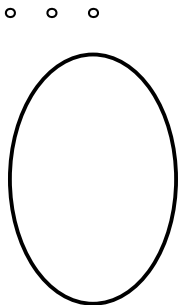
- If all parts are single vertices, then we simply have a 2-coloring with  $n \geq 6$ .
- Applying  $R(C_4, C_4) = 6$ , we have





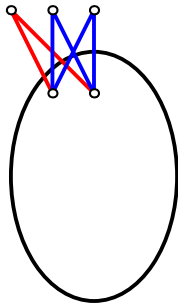
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- Then there must be at most one big part ( $\geq 2$ ), and all others are one vertex.



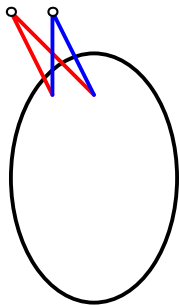
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- If there are three vertices outside, then pigeonhole gives us a  $C_4$ .



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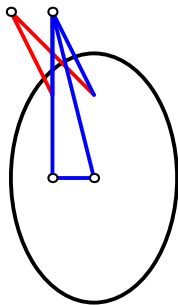
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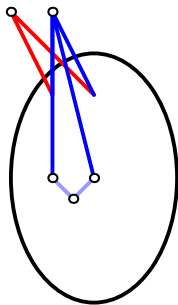
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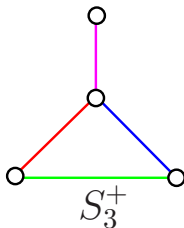
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# Gallai Partition under $S_3^+$ -coloring

- Let  $S_3^+$  be the graph on 4 vertices consisting of a triangle and a pendant edge.
- S. Fujita, C. Magnant, Extensions of Gallai-Ramsey results, *J. Graph Theory* 70(4) (2012), 404–426 proved a decomposition theorem for rainbow  $S_3^+$ -free colorings of a complete graph.



# Gallai Partition under $S_3^+$ -coloring

## Theorem 1.3 (Fujita, Magnant)

*In any rainbow  $S_3^+$ -free coloring  $G$  of a complete graph, one of the following holds:*

- (1)  $V(G)$  can be partitioned such that there are 2 colors on the edges among the parts, and at most 2 colors on the edges between each pair of parts; or*
- (2) There are three (different colored) monochromatic spanning trees, and moreover, there exists a partition of  $V(G)$  with exactly 3 colors on edges between parts and between each pair of parts, the edges have only one color.*



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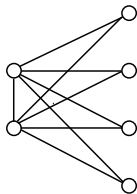
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# The book graph

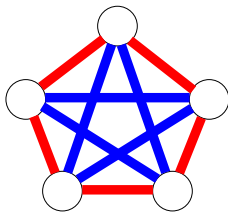
- The **book graph** with  $m$  pages is denoted by  $B_m$ , where  $B_m = K_2 + K_m$ .
- Note that  $B_1 = K_3$  and  $B_2 = K_4 \setminus \{e\}$  where  $e$  is an edge of the  $K_4$ .
- In this work, we prove bounds on the Gallai-Ramsey number of all books, with sharp results for several small books.



## Small graphs

### Theorem 2.1 (Gyarfas, Simonyi (2004))

*In any  $G$ -coloring of a complete graph, there is a vertex with at least  $\frac{2n}{5}$  incident edges in a single color.*



### Theorem 2.2 (Chvátal and Harary (1976), Rousseau and Sheehan (1978))

$$R(B_2, B_2) = 10, R(B_3, B_3) = 14, R(B_4, B_4) = 18, R(B_5, B_5) = 21.$$

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Theorem 2.3 (Zou, Mao, Wang, Magnant, Ye)

If  $B_m$  is the book with  $m$  pages,  $B_m = K_2 + \overline{K_m}$ , then for  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3 : B_m) \geq \begin{cases} (R(B_m, B_m) - 1) \cdot 5^{(k-2)/2} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ 2 \cdot (R(B_m, B_m) - 1) \cdot 5^{(k-3)/2} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

# General Upper Bound

- Let  $R_m = R(B_m : B_m)$  and define

$$R'_m = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} [R_{\lceil m/i \rceil} - 1].$$

This quantity provides a bound on a type of restricted Ramsey number as seen in the following lemma.

## Lemma 2

*For  $m \geq 2$ , the largest number of vertices in a  $G$ -coloring of a complete graph with no monochromatic  $B_m$  in which all parts of the  $G$ -partition have order at most  $m - 1$  is at most  $R'_m$ .*

# General Upper Bound

- Note that for  $m$  large, since  $R_m \sim (4 + o(1))m$  (see [Rousseau and Sheehan (1978)]), we get

$$R'_m \sim (4 + o(1))m \ln[(4 + o(1))m].$$

For small values of  $m$ , we compute  $R'_2 = 9$ ,  $R'_3 = 22$ , and  $R'_4 = 35$ .

- Call a color  *$m$ -admissible* if it induces a subgraph with maximum degree at least  $m$ , and  *$m$ -inadmissible* otherwise.

# General Upper Bound

## Lemma 3 (Zou, Mao, Wang, Magnant, Ye)

Given integers  $m \geq 2$  and  $k \geq 2$ , let  $n$  be the largest number of vertices in a  $k$ -coloring of a complete graph in which there is

- no rainbow triangle,
- no monochromatic  $B_m$ ,
- a  $G$ -partition with all parts having order at most  $m - 1$ , and
- only one  $m$ -admissible color.

Then

$$n \leq \begin{cases} 3m - 1 & \text{if } k = 2, \\ 5m - 5 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

# General Upper Bound

- Let  $\ell = \ell(m)$  be the number of colors that are  $m$ -inadmissible and define the quantity  $gr_{k,\ell}(K_3 : H)$  to be the minimum integer  $n$  such that every  $k$  coloring of  $K_n$  with at least  $\ell$  different  $m$ -inadmissible colors contains either a rainbow triangle or a monochromatic copy of  $H$ .
- We may now state our main result, which provides a general upper bound on the Gallai-Ramsey numbers for any book with any number of colors.



## General Upper Bound

Theorem 2.4 (Zou, Mao, Wang, Magnant, Ye)

Given positive integers  $k \geq 1$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , and  $0 \leq \ell \leq k$ , let

$$gr_{k,\ell,m} = \begin{cases} m + 2 - \ell & \text{if } k = 1, \\ R'_m \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 - (m-1)\ell & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ 2 \cdot R'_m \cdot 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} + 1 - (m-1)\ell & \text{if } k \geq 3 \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$gr_{k,\ell}(K_3 : B_m) \leq gr_{k,\ell,m}.$$

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### Lemma 4

Let  $k, \ell, m$  be integers with  $k \geq 3$ ,  $0 \leq \ell \leq k - 2$ , and  $2 \leq m \leq 5$ . If  $G$  is a  $G$ -coloring of  $K_p$  with

$$p \geq gr_{k,\ell,m}$$

using  $k$  colors in which all parts of a  $G$ -partition have order at most  $m - 1$  and  $\ell$  colors are  $m$ -inadmissible, then  $G$  contains a monochromatic copy of  $B_m$ .

## Some Small Cases

- For the values of  $m$  in question, we have

$$p \geq \begin{cases} 18 & \text{if } m = 2, \\ 25 & \text{if } m = 3, \\ 32 & \text{if } m = 4, \text{ and} \\ 37 & \text{if } m = 5. \end{cases}$$

- Let  $t$  be the number of parts in the partition. When  $m = 2$ , all parts of the assumed  $G$ -partition have order 1, meaning that  $G$  is simply a 2-coloring. Since  $|G| = p > 10 = R_2$ , the claim is immediate. We consider cases for the remaining values of  $m$ .

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# Gallai-Ramsey number for wheels

- Let  $W_n$  be a wheel of order  $n$ , that is,  $W_n = K_1 \vee C_{n-1}$  where  $C_{n-1}$  is the cycle on  $n - 1$  vertices.

Theorem 2.5 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

$$(1) R(W_5, W_5) = 15;$$

$$(2) R(W_6, W_6) = 17.$$

# Gallai-Ramsey number for wheels

- As far as we are aware, for  $n \geq 7$ , the classical diagonal Ramsey number for the wheel is yet unknown.
- We give upper and lower bounds for classical Ramsey number of the general wheel  $W_n$ .

## Theorem 2.6 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

For  $k \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 7$ ,

$$\begin{cases} 3n - 3 \leq R(W_n, W_n) \leq 8n - 10, & \text{if } n \text{ is even;} \\ 2n - 2 \leq R(W_n, W_n) \leq 6n - 8 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

# Gallai-Ramsey number for wheels

- We obtain the exact value of the Gallai Ramsey number for  $W_5$ .

Theorem 2.7 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

For  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3 : W_5) = \begin{cases} 5 & \text{if } k = 1, \\ 14 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ 28 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$



# Gallai-Ramsey number for wheels

- We provide general lower bounds on the Gallai-Ramsey numbers for all wheels.

## Theorem 5 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

For  $k \geq 2$  and  $n \geq 6$ , we have

$$gr_k(K_3 : W_n) \geq \begin{cases} (3n - 4)5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even and } k \text{ is even;} \\ (6n - 8)5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even and } k \text{ is odd;} \\ (2n - 3)5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd and } k \text{ is even;} \\ (4n - 6)5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd and } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

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Theorem 6 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

*For  $k \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 6$ , we have*

$$gr_k(K_3 : W_n) \leq (n - 4)^2 \cdot 30^k + k(n - 1).$$

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- Note that  $F_1 = K_3$  and  $F_2$  is a graph obtained from two triangles by sharing one vertex.

## Theorem 2.8

- (1)  $R(F_2, F_2) = 9$ ;
- (2)  $R(F_3, F_3) = 13$ ;
- (3)  $4n + 1 \leq R(F_n, F_n) \leq 6n$  for large sufficiently  $n$ ,  $6n < n^2 + 1$ .

# Gallai-Ramsey number for fans

- First our sharp result for  $F_2$ .

Theorem 2.9 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

$$gr_k(K_3; F_2) = \begin{cases} 9, & \text{if } k = 2; \\ \frac{83}{2} \cdot 5^{\frac{k-4}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } k \text{ is even, } k \geq 4; \\ 4 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + 1, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

## Gallai-Ramsey number for fans

- Next our general bounds (and sharp result for any even number of colors) for  $F_3$ .

Theorem 2.10 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

For  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{cases} gr_k(K_3; F_3) = 14 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} - 1, & \text{if } k \text{ is even;} \\ gr_k(K_3; F_3) = 33 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}}, & \text{if } k = 3, 5; \\ 33 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} \leq gr_k(K_3; F_3) \leq 33 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} + \frac{3}{4} \cdot 5^{\frac{k-5}{2}} - \frac{3}{4}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd, } k \geq 7. \end{cases}$$

# Gallai-Ramsey number for fans

- In particular, we conjecture the following, which claims that the lower bound in above theorem is the sharp result.

## Conjecture 2.1 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

For  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3; F_3) = \begin{cases} 14 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} - 1, & \text{if } k \text{ is even;} \\ 33 \cdot 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

# Gallai-Ramsey number for fans

- Finally our general bound for all fans.

Theorem 2.11 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

For  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{cases} 4n \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3; F_n) \leq 10n \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} - \frac{5}{2}n + 1, & \text{if } k \text{ is even;} \\ 2n \cdot 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3; F_n) \leq \frac{9}{2}n \cdot 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} - \frac{5}{2}n + 1, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$



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# Stars with extra independent edges

- Let  $S_t^r$  be a star of order  $t$  by adding extra  $r$  independent edges for  $0 \leq r \leq \frac{t-1}{2}$ .
- For  $r = 0$  we obtain  $S_t^r = K_{1,t-1}$ , which are called **stars**.
- For  $r = \frac{t-1}{2}$  if  $t$  is odd we obtain  $S_t^r = F_{\frac{t-1}{2}}$ , which are called *fans*.

# Results for Ramsey number

- We deal with those graphs  $S_t^r$ , where  $0 < r < \frac{t-1}{2}$ , i.e. where  $S_t^r$  is neither a star nor a fan.

Theorem 2.12 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

- (1) For  $t \geq 7$ ,  $R(S_t^2, S_t^2) = 2t - 1$ .
- (2) For  $t \geq 15$ ,  $R(S_t^3, S_t^3) = 2t - 1$ .
- (3) For  $t \geq 6r - 5$ ,  $R(S_t^r, S_t^r) = 2t - 1$ .

# Results for Ramsey number

- For graph  $S_t^2$ , we have the following.

Theorem 2.13 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

(1) For  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3; S_6^2) = \begin{cases} 2 \times 5^{\frac{k}{2}} + \frac{1}{4} \times 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + \frac{3}{4}, & \text{if } k \text{ is even;} \\ \lceil \frac{51}{10} \times 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \rceil, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

(2) For  $k \geq 3$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3; S_8^2) = \begin{cases} 14 \times 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \times 5^{\frac{k-4}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } k \text{ is even;} \\ 7 \times 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + \frac{1}{4} \times 5^{\frac{k-3}{2}} + \frac{3}{4}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

# Results for Gallai-Ramsey number

- For graph  $S_t^2$ , we have the following.

Theorem 2.14 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

(3) For  $k \geq 1$  and  $t \geq 6$ ,

$$\begin{cases} 2(t-1) \times 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3; S_t^2) \leq 2t \times 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}}, & \text{if } k \text{ is even;} \\ (t-1) \times 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3; S_t^2) \leq t \times 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

# Results for Gallai-Ramsey number

- For graph  $S_t^r$ , we have the following.

Theorem 2.15 (Mao, Wang, Magnant, Schiermeyer)

*For  $t \geq 6r - 5$ , if  $k$  is even, then*

$$2(t-1) \times 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3; S_t^r) \leq [2t + 8(r-1)] \times 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} - 4(r-1);$$

*If  $k$  is odd, then*

$$(t-1) \times 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3; S_t^r) \leq [t + 4(r-1)] \times 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} - 4(r-1).$$

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# Upper and lower bound

- S. Fujita, C. Magnant, Gallai-Ramsey numbers for cycles, *Discrete Math.* 311(13)(2011), 1247–1254 and M. Hall, C. Magnant, K. Ozeki, and M. Tsugaki. Improved upper bounds for Gallai-Ramsey numbers of paths and cycles, *J. Graph Theory* 75(1)(2014), 59–74 derived the following result.

## Theorem 2.16

$$\ell 2^k + 1 \leq gr_k(K_3 : C_{2\ell+1}) \leq \ell(2^{k+3} - 3) \log \ell.$$

- Sadly, we were not clever enough to get closer. We believe the lower bounds to be the truth...



For  $C_3$ 

- For the triangle  $C_3 = K_3$ , M. Axenovich, P. Iverson, Edge-colorings avoiding rainbow and monochromatic subgraphs, *Discrete Math.* 308(20)(2008), 4710–4723 and F. R. K. Chung, R. L. Graham. Edge-colored complete graphs with precisely colored subgraphs, *Combinatorica* 3(3-4)(1983), 315–324 and A. Gyárfás, G. Sárközy, A. Sebő, S. Selkow, Ramsey-type results for gallai colorings, *J. Graph Theory* 64(3)(2010), 233–243 obtained the following result.

## Theorem 2.17

For  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3 : K_3) = \begin{cases} 5^{k/2} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ 2 \cdot 5^{(k-1)/2} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

For  $C_5$ 

- For  $C_5$ , S. Fujita, C. Magnant, Gallai-Ramsey numbers for cycles, *Discrete Math.* 311(13)(2011), 1247–1254 obtained the following result.

## Theorem 2.18

For any positive integer  $k \geq 2$ , we have

$$gr_k(K_3 : C_5) = 2^{k+1} + 1.$$

## Our Main Result

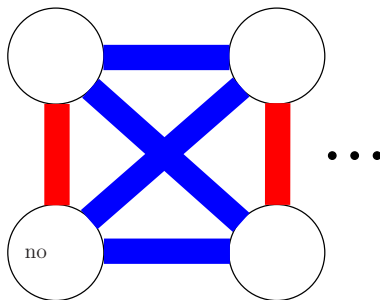
Theorem 2.19 (Wang, Mao, Magnant, Schiermeyer, Zou)

For integers  $\ell \geq 3$  and  $k \geq 1$ , we have

$$gr_k(K_3 : C_{2\ell+1}) = \ell \cdot 2^k + 1.$$

- The lower bound is sharp for odd cycles!

# General Lower Bound for Odd Cycles

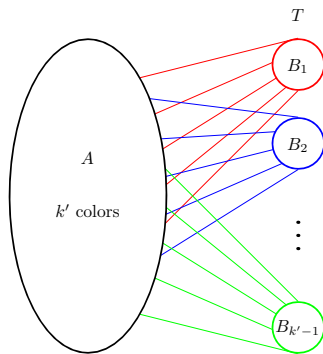


# Proof Outline - Setup

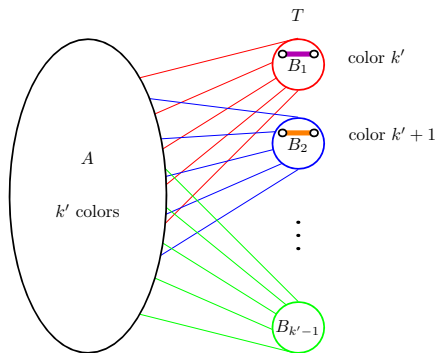
Upper bound proof setup:

- Induction on the number of colors  $k$ .
- First set aside vertices with (almost) all one color on their incident edges, call the set  $T$ .
- Claim:  $T$  is not too big.
- If  $T$  is big, then there is a large set of vertices  $B_i \subseteq T$  (say  $|B_i| \geq \ell$ ) with all color  $i$  to what remains ( $A$ ).
- That color must be missing from  $A$ , so apply induction.

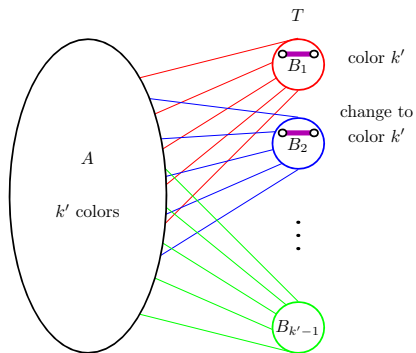
# Main Lemma Preview



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## Proof Outline - Main Lemma

## Lemma 7

Let  $k \geq 3$ ,  $2 \leq k' \leq k$  and let  $G$  be a Gallai coloring of the complete graph  $K_n$  containing no monochromatic copy of  $C_{2\ell+1}$ .

If  $G = A \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \dots \cup B_{k'-1}$  where  $A$  uses at most  $k'$  colors,  $|B_i| \leq 2\ell$  for all  $i$ , and all edges between  $A$  and  $B_i$  have color  $i$ , then  $n \leq gr_{k'}(K_3 : H) - 1$ .

- Note that this lemma uses the assumed structure to provide a bound on  $|G|$  even if  $G$  itself uses more than  $k'$  colors.

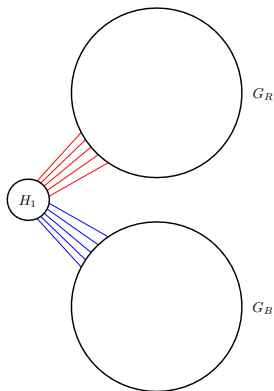
# Proof Outline - Reductions

## Proof outline:

- Claims: The largest part of partition is small ( $|H_1| \leq \ell/2$ ).
- This means  $k = 3$  since no  $C_{2\ell+1}$  could fit inside a part, so  $n = 8\ell + 1$ .
- Finally consider structure of  $H_1$  relative to the rest of  $G$ .

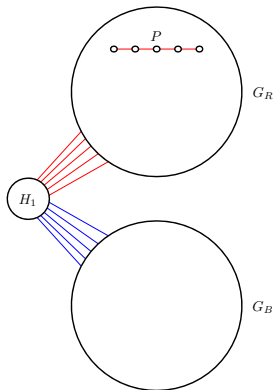
## Sketch of the Proof

- Broad structure of  $G$ . Suppose  $G_R$  is the larger side.



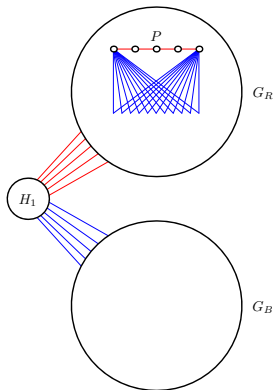
# Sketch of the Proof

- Let  $P$  be a longest red path within  $G_R$ .



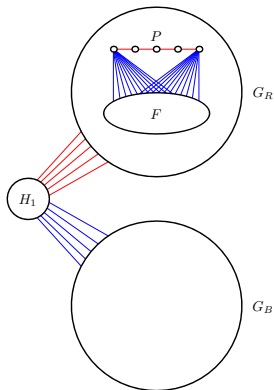
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- The ends cannot have more red edges to the rest of  $G_R$ .



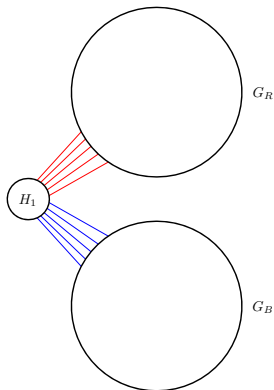
# Sketch of the Proof

- Within this remaining set  $F$ , there can be no long red path and no long blue path.



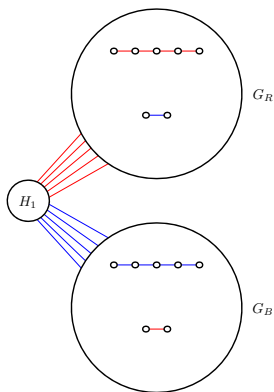
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- The two sides are roughly balanced:  $|G_R| \sim |G_B|$ .



# Sketch of the Proof

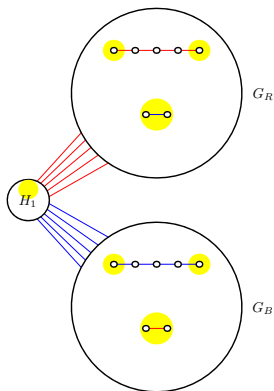
- Symmetry and similar ideas show we have this structure.





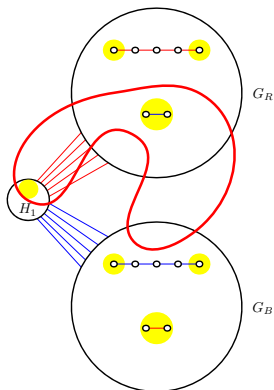
# Sketch of the Proof

- Reserve several key vertices for later use. (Absorbing argument)



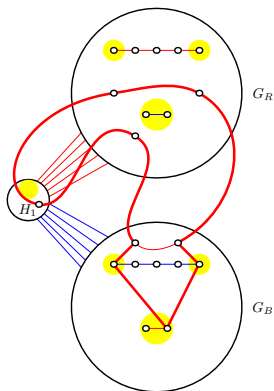
# Sketch of the Proof

- Apply the known even cycles result to obtain a mono-chromatic copy of  $C_{2\ell-2}$  avoiding the reserved set.



# Sketch of the Proof

- Construct a monochromatic copy of  $C_{2\ell+1}$  using the reserved set.



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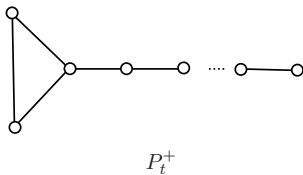
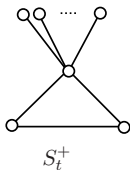
## Two Classes of Unicyclic Graphs

In this work, we consider the Gallai-Ramsey numbers for finding either a rainbow triangle or monochromatic graph coming from two classes of unicyclic graphs:

- a star with an extra edge that forms a triangle, and
- a path with an extra edge from an end vertex to an internal vertex forming a triangle.

Graphs  $S_t^+$  and  $P_t^+$ 

- Let  $S_t^+$  denote graph consisting of the star  $S_t$  with the addition of an edge between two of the pendant vertices, forming a triangle.
- Let  $P_t^+$  denote the graph consisting of the path  $P_t$  with the addition of an edge between one end and the vertex at distance 2 along the path from that end, forming a triangle.



## Two Classes of Unicyclic Graphs

- These graphs are particularly interesting because although they are not bipartite, they are very close to being a tree (and therefore bipartite).
- The dichotomy between bipartite and non-bipartite graphs is critical in the study of Gallai-Ramsey numbers in light of the following result.

# General Upper Bound

- A. Gyárfás, G. Sárközy, A. Sebő, and S. Selkow. Ramsey-type results for gallai colorings, *J. Graph Theory* 64(3)(2010), 233–243 obtained the following result.

## Theorem 2.20

Let  $H$  be a fixed graph with no isolated vertices. If  $H$  is not bipartite, then  $gr_k(K_3 : H)$  is *exponential in  $k$* . If  $H$  is bipartite, then  $gr_k(K_3 : H)$  is *linear in  $k$* .



## Two Classes of Unicyclic Graphs

- In order to produce sharp results for the Gallai-Ramsey numbers of these graphs, we first proved the 2-color Ramsey numbers for these graphs.

Theorem 2.21 (Wang, Mao, Magnant, Zou)

For  $t \geq 3$ ,

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Theorem 2.22 (Wang, Mao, Magnant, Zou)

For  $t \geq 4$ ,

$$R(P_t^+, P_t^+) = 2t - 1.$$

Gallai-Ramsey number for  $S_t^+$ 

- The precise Gallai-Ramsey number for  $S_t^+$  are obtained.

Theorem 2.23 (Wang, Mao, Magnant, Zou)

For  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3 : S_t^+) = \begin{cases} 2(t-1) \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ (t-1) \cdot 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

## Gallai-Ramsey number for path with an extra edge

- The precise Gallai-Ramsey number for  $P_t^+$  are also obtained.

Theorem 2.24 (Wang, Mao, Magnant, Zou)

For  $t \geq 4$  and  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3 : P_t^+) = \begin{cases} 2(t-1) \cdot 5^{\frac{k-2}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ (t-1) \cdot 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

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## Stars

- S. Fujita, C. Magnant, Extensions of Gallai-Ramsey results, J. Graph Theory 70(4) (2012), 404–426 proposed the following conjecture for star graphs.

**Conjecture 2.2**

For  $k \geq 4$ ,

$$gr_k(S_3^+; K_{1,t}) = 3t - 2k + 4.$$

## A tree of order five

## Theorem 2.25

For  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$gr_k(K_3; T_1) = k + 4,$$

where  $T_1$  is a tree obtained from a path  $P_4$  by adding a pendant edge on one of the internal vertices in  $P_4$ .

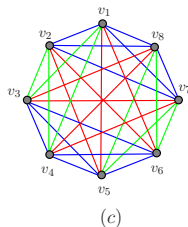
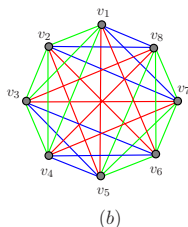
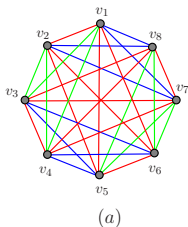
## Theorem 2.26 (Mao, Su, Wang, Magnant)

For  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$gr_k(S_3^+; T_1) = \begin{cases} k + 4, & \text{if } k \neq 3; \\ 9, & \text{if } k = 3, \end{cases}$$

## Sketch of the Proof

- To show  $gr_3(S_3^+; T_1) \geq 9$ , we have the following examples.





The End

Thank you for your  
attention !