# Forbidden subgraphs characterization of clustering graphs. Hereditary systems and matroids.

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## Hereditary system

*U* is nonempty finite set,  $A \subseteq 2^{U}$  is nonempty indexed family of subsets with *hereditary axiom* 

$$A_1 \in \mathbf{A}, A_2 \subseteq A_1 \Rightarrow A_2 \in \mathbf{A}.$$

A is independent subsets.

Set  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{2}^{\mathbf{U}} \setminus \mathbf{A}$  is satisfied

$$D_1 \in \mathbf{D}, D_1 \subseteq D_2 \Rightarrow D_2 \in \mathbf{D}.$$

**D** is dependent subsets.

**B** is *bases* or maximal independent subsets.

C is *circuities* or minimal dependent subsets.

 $S = (U, \mathbf{A}), S = (U, \mathbf{B}), S = (U, \mathbf{C})$  and  $S = (U, \mathbf{D})$  are equals *hereditary system*.

## Matroids

 $S = (U, \mathbf{A})$  is hereditary system and  $W \subseteq U$ . Base of W – each maximal independent subset of W.

*S* is a *matroid* if bases' cardinalities of each  $W \subseteq U$  are equals. Bases' cardinality of *U* is *matroid rank*.

**Theorem.** *S* is a matroid  $\Leftrightarrow$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{A}) A_1, A_2 \in \mathbf{A}, |A_2| = |A_1| + 1 \Rightarrow \exists a \in A_2 \setminus A_1 : A_1 \cup \{a\} \in \mathbf{A}; \\ (\mathbf{B}) B_1, B_2 \in \mathbf{B}, b_1 \in B_1 \setminus B_2 \Rightarrow b_2 \in B_2 \setminus B_1 : (B_1 \setminus \{b_1\}) \cup \{b_2\} \in \mathbf{B}; \\ (\mathbf{C}) C_1, C_2 \in \mathbf{C}, C_1 \neq C_2, c \in C_1 \cap C_2 \Rightarrow \exists C \in \mathbf{C} : C \subseteq (C_1 \cup C_2) \setminus \{c\}; \end{array}$ 

(D)  $D_1, D_2 \in \mathbf{D}, D_1 \cap D_2 \notin \mathbf{D}, d \in D_1 \cap D_2 \Rightarrow (D_1 \cup D_2) \setminus \{d\} \in \mathbf{D}.$ 

## Matroids and closure operator

- *U* is nonempty set. cl:  $2^{U} \rightarrow 2^{U}$  is *closure operator* if (cl1)  $X \subseteq cl(X)$ , (cl2)  $X \subseteq Y \Rightarrow cl(X) \subseteq cl(Y)$ , (cl3) cl(cl(X)) = cl(X)*U* and cl:  $2^{U} \rightarrow 2^{U}$  are *combinatorial geometry* then for each  $u, v \in U$ and  $X \subseteq U$ :
- (cl4)  $v \notin cl(X), v \in cl(X \cup \{u\}) \Rightarrow u \in cl(X \cup \{v\}),$ (cl5)  $cl(\emptyset) = \emptyset, cl(\{u\}) = \{u\}$  for each  $u \in U$ .

## Matroids and closure operator

#### Theorem.

1) Let  $M = (U, \mathbf{A})$  be a matroid. Then operator cl:  $2^{\mathbf{U}} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{U}}$  with  $\mathbf{cl}(X) = X \cup \{v \in U \mid \exists A \subseteq X : A \in \mathbf{A}, A \cup \{v\} \notin \mathbf{A}\}$  (1) satisfies (cl1) – (cl4) and

 $\mathbf{A} = \{ A \subseteq U \mid a \notin \mathbf{cl}(A \setminus \{a\}) \text{ for each } a \in A \} (2).$ 

2) Let M = (U, cl) defined with (1) be a *combinatorial pregeometry*. Then A defined with (2) is indexed family of independent subsets of matroid.

## Matroids and rank function

 $M = (U, \mathbf{A})$  is matroid.  $\mathbf{r}: \mathbf{2}^{\mathbf{U}} \to \mathbb{Z}_+$  is *rank function* that for each  $X \in U$  matches  $\mathbf{r}(X)$  – cardinality of arbitrary base  $B \subseteq X$ . Wherein  $\mathbf{A} = \{A \subseteq U \mid \mathbf{r}(A) = |A|\}$  (1).

#### Theorem.

1)  $M = (U, \mathbf{A})$  is matroid. Then rank function  $\mathbf{r}: \mathbf{2}^{U} \to \mathbb{Z}_{+}$  defined with  $\mathbf{r}(X) = \max\{|A| : A \subseteq X, A \in \mathbf{A}\}\)$  (2). for each  $X, Y \subseteq U$  satisfies: (r1)  $\mathbf{r}(X) \leq |X|$ , (r2)  $X \subseteq Y \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}(X) \leq \mathbf{r}(Y)$ , (r3)  $\mathbf{r}(X \cup Y) + \mathbf{r}(X \cap Y) \leq \mathbf{r}(X) + \mathbf{r}(Y)$ .

2) **r** is rank function satisfied (r1)-(r3). Then **A** defined with (1) is indexed family of independent subsets of matroid.

## Cluster graph

Graph G = (V, E) is cluster graph if each of its component is clique (*cluster*).

For each graph G = (V, E) lets define 3 classes of cluster graphs.

**Class 1.** Cluster graphs C with no more than |V| clusters.

**Class 2.** Cluster graphs  $C_{\leq k}$  with no more than  $2 \leq k \leq |V|$  clusters. **Class 3.** Cluster graphs  $C_k$  with  $2 \leq k \leq |V|$  clusters.

## Hereditary system of graph

 $S_G = (V, \mathbf{A}_G)$  is hereditary system of a graph G = (V, E) if  $\mathbf{A}_G$  is a set of *independent sets*. Circuities of  $S_G$  is edges of the G. **Theorem.** Hereditary system  $S_G = (V, \mathbf{A}_G)$  of a graph G = (V, E) is a matroid  $\Leftrightarrow G$  is a cluster graph.

C = (V, E) is a cluster graph of **Class 1**. Each  $u, v, w \in E$  cannot form *induced subgraph*  $P_2$ .



**Theorem.** C = (V, E) is a cluster graph of **Class 1**  $\Leftrightarrow$  *C* is  $P_2$  free graph. **Proof.** => Obviously.

<= Lets proof that  $(u,v) \notin E \Rightarrow u$  and v belongs to different components of C.

If  $\exists w \in V: (u,w) \in E$  and  $(v,w) \in E \Rightarrow u,v,w$  is  $P_2$ . Contradiction. If  $\exists (u = w_1, w_2, ..., w_n = v)$  is a shortest simple chain  $\Rightarrow \exists i, i + 1, i + 2$  such that  $w_i, w_{i+1}, w_{i+2}$  is  $P_2$  (or else  $(u = w_1, ..., w_i, w_{i+2}, ..., w_n = v)$  is shorter. Contradiction.

## Boolean programming

 $x_{ij} = 0$  if *i* and *j* belongs to the same cluster and  $x_{ij} = 1$  otherwise.

$$\sum_{ij \in E} x_{ij} + \sum_{ij \notin E} (1 - x_{ij}) \to \min$$
$$x_{ir} \le x_{ij} + x_{jr}, i, j, r \in \{1, ..., n\}$$
$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, i, j \in \{1, ..., n\}$$

C = (V, E) is a cluster graph of **Class 2**. Each  $u,v,w \in E$  cannot form induced subgraph  $P_2$ . Each  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_k$  cannot form induced subgraph  $O_{k+1}$ .



**Theorem.** C = (V, E) is a cluster graph of **Class 2**  $\Leftrightarrow$  *C* is  $P_2$  free and  $O_{k+1}$  free graph.

$$\begin{split} \sum_{ij \in E} x_{ij} + \sum_{ij \notin E} (1 - x_{ij}) &\to \min \\ x_{ir} \leq x_{ij} + x_{jr}, \, i, j, r \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ x_{i_1 i_2} + \dots + x_{i_{k-1} i_k} \leq \frac{(k+2)(k-1)}{2}, \, i_1, \dots, \, i_k \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, \, i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \end{split}$$

## Open questions

- 1. Forbidden subgraphs characterization of Class 3.
- 2. Rank function for hereditary systems.

Thank you for your attention!