K-gons and Circles

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Fall School: Order and Geometry

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ABOUT:

The school is addressed to advanced undergraduate and graduate students of Mathematics or Computer Science with interest in Discrete Mathematics and in particular in Partially Ordered Sets and Discrete Geometry. Basic knowledge in discrete mathematics is assumed. The fall school consists of four introductory courses. Each course consists of lectures and exercises.

LOCATION:



The fall school will take place at <u>Gutshof Sauen</u>, a remote manor 70 km southeast of Berlin. The costs per participant are EURO 150 and includes full board during the fall school.

Fall School Order and Geometry

LECTURES

- Jean Cardinal, (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium) Topics on flip graphs
- Bartosz Walczak, (Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland)
- Vida Dujmović, (University of Ottawa, Canada)
- Oswin Aichholzer, (Technische Universität Graz, Austria) Crossing numbers of complete and complete bipartite graphs

APPLICATION

• Open until July 31, 2018

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Order Dimension of Planar Graphs – Revisited Contact Representations with Pentagons Primal–Dual Contact Representations with Circles

Brightwell-Trotter Theorem I



Theorem [Brightwell+Trotter '93]. If G is a 3-connected plane graph with a face F, then

• $\dim(P_{VEF}(G \setminus F)) = 3$ • $\dim(P_{VEF}(G)) = 4$

Brightwell-Trotter Theorem II





Theorem [Brightwell+Trotter '97]. If G is a plane multi-graph with loops, then

 $\dim(P_{VEF}(G)) \leq 4.$

Splits and Dimension

The split of P = (X, <) is split $(P) = (X' \cup X'', <_s)$ with

$$x' <_s y''$$
 iff $x \le y$



Theorem [Kimble 78].

 $\dim(P) \leq \dim(\operatorname{split}(P)) \leq \dim(P) + 1.$

Bipartite Orders

A bipartite Graph can be viewed as a height 2 order.



• We can talk about $\dim(G)$ when G is bipartite.

Grid Intersection Graphs

A GIG is an intersection graphs of horizontal and vertical segments (no two on a common line).



• GIGs are bipartite.

Dimension of GIGs



 In each projection minimals (vert) are taken early, maximals (hor) are taken late.

Theorem. G a GIG, then $\dim(G) \leq 4$.

Theorem [generalization]. If a bipartite graph G = (X, Y; E) has a representation as intersection graphs of objects from a *t*-separable class, then dim(G) $\leq 2t$.

Planar Bipartite Graphs

Theorem. Every planar bipartite graph H admits a contact representation with interiorly disjoint horizontal and vertical segments.





Angle Graphs of Planar Graphs



• Angle graphs are planar bipartite.

The First Step

G 2-connected plane multi-graph (no loops).



 The order dimension of P_{VF}(G), the incidence order of vertices and faces of a planar multigraph G (no loops) is at most four, moreover dim(split(P_{VF}(G)) ≤ 4.

Adding the Edges



Theorem. If G is a 2-connected and plane multigraph, then $\dim(\operatorname{split}(P_{VEF}(G)) \leq 4.$

Loops

Break loops by inserting a new vertex. split(P_{VEF}(G)) is a suborder of split(P_{VEF}(G⁺))

Cut Vertices

• Use induction: break G into G_1 and G_2 at a cut vertex:



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Pentagon contact representations

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Regular Pentagon Contact Representations



Triangulation G of 5-gon a_1, \ldots, a_5

- no multiple edges
- no loops
- no chords

Questions:

- Existence
- Uniqueness

- Combinatorial structure
- Computation



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The combinatorial structure: five color forests

Definition (Five color forest)

Orientation and coloring of inner edges of inner triangulation of 5-gon a_1, \ldots, a_5 , s.t.



► no incoming edge of color i ⇒ outgoing edge of color i - 2 or i + 2 exists

Theorem

Regular pentagon contact representation induces five color forest on its contact graph.



Five color forests $\,\leftrightarrow\,\alpha\text{-orientations}$





outdeg(●) = 5
 outdeg(○) = 2

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Theorem

There is a bijection between the five color forests and α -orientations of a graph *G*.









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Corollary

computing a regular pentagon repr. can be done by finding a five color forest F s.t. $A_{F}x = e_1$ has nonnegative solution

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- change orientation of these cycles
- ▶ restart with new α -orientation, resp. five color forest



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Number of iterations















Open problems

Conjecture

The heuristic terminates for each graph and each five color forest to start with.

Conjecture

Regular pentagon contact representations can be computed in polynomial time.

Conjecture

Regular pentagon contact representations are unique.

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Coin Graphs



1985 - Ringel's coin graph conjecture.

Circle Packing – History

- Koebe 1936
- Andreev 1970
- Thurston 1978
- Sachs 1991
- Colin de Verdière 1989
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- Brightwell and Scheinerman 1993
- Pulleyblank and Rote 1992
- Mohar 1997

Primal-Dual Circle Representation – The Statement

G = (V, E, F) 3-connected plane.

 $(C_x : x \in V)$ and $(D_y : y \in F)$ families of circles.

Properties:

- (i) primal contact structure.
- (ii) dual contact structure.
- (iii) orthogonality of two straight-line drawings.

Theorem.

G 3-con. plane \implies G has a primal-dual circle representation.

• The representation is unique up to Möbius transformations.

Primal Contact Structure



Dual Contact Structure



Orthogonality



Primal and Dual



Kites

• A kite for each incidence (x, y) with $x \in V$, $y \in F \setminus f_o$.



Making the Outer Face a Triangle

- Stereographic projections map between primal-dual circle representation of *G* in plane and on sphere.
- G or G^* has a vertex of degree 3.



Counting Lemma

• Every subset $S \subseteq V \cup F \setminus f_o$ supports at most 2|S| - 5 kites.



Target Angles

- wlog. the outer triangle equilateral (Möbius transformation).
- target angles:

$$\beta(u) = \begin{cases} \pi/3 & \text{if } u \text{ is an outer vertex of } G\\ 2\pi & u \text{ some other vertex or face } \neq f_o. \end{cases}$$
$$\sum_{u} \beta(u) = \left((|V| - 3) + (|F| - 1) \right) 2\pi + 3\frac{\pi}{3} = |K|\pi.$$

For any choice of radii the target angles are attained on average

$$\alpha(u) = \sum_{w: uw \in K} \alpha_{uw} \implies \sum_{u} \alpha(u) = \sum_{xy \in K} \pi = |K|\pi$$

The Iteration

- Start with any radii $r: U \to \mathbb{R}_+$.
- $U_+ = \{u \in U : \alpha(u) > \beta(u)\}$
- If $U_+ = \emptyset$ then $\alpha(u) = \beta(u)$ for all $u \in U$.
- iterate

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repeat forever:

for all u \in U:

if u \in U_+ then

increase r_u to make \alpha(u) = \beta(u)
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Radii Converge I

Radii are only increased \implies if bounded then convergent.

- Let $D \subset U$ be the divergent set.
- If $u \in D$ and $w \in U \setminus D$, then $\alpha_{uw} \to 0$.
- For $\varepsilon > 0$ iterate until for each $u \in D$: $\sum_{w \in U \setminus D: uw \in K} \alpha_{uw} \le \frac{\varepsilon}{|U|}$.

$$\sum_{u \in D} \alpha(u) \leq \varepsilon + \sum_{\text{kite with } x, y \in D} (\alpha_{xy} + \alpha_{yx})$$
$$\leq \varepsilon + (2|D| - 5)\pi$$

Radii Converge II

$$\sum_{u \in D} \alpha(u) = \sum_{u \in D \cap U_+} \alpha(u) > \sum_{u \in D} \beta(u) = 2\pi |D| - \frac{5|D_o|}{3}\pi.$$

• $2\pi |D| - \frac{5|D_o|}{3}\pi < \varepsilon + (2|D| - 5)\pi$

From this we get:

- $|D_o| = 3.$
- 2|D| 5 supported kites.

 \implies D = U this contradicts $D \subset U$.

Laying Out The Kites



