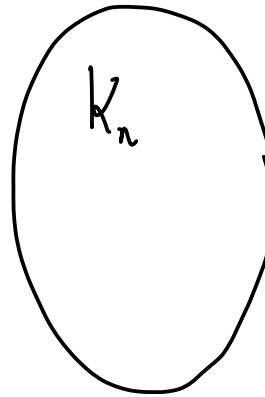


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$$R(k, 1) = R(1, k) = 1$$

$$R(2, k) = R(k, 2) = k$$

$K_1$  ← every edge of  $K_1$  is Red  
" " " " " Blue



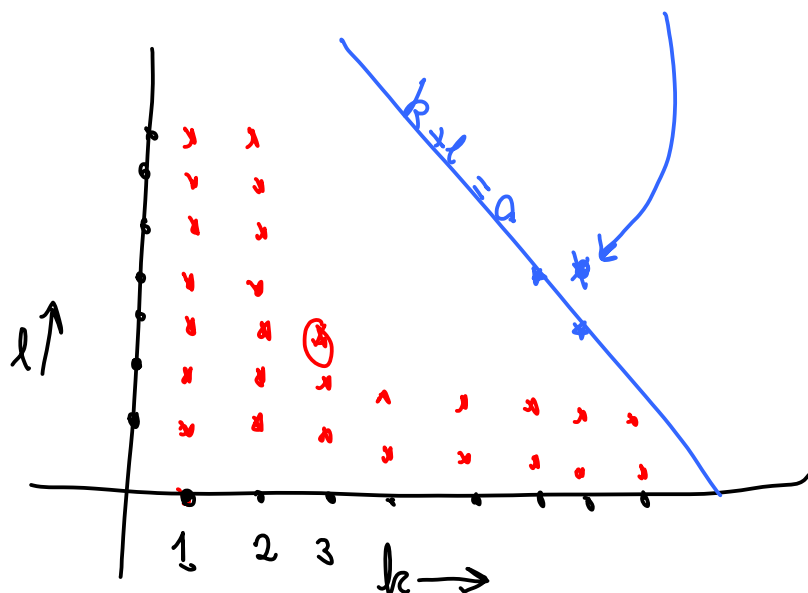
$n < k$ : color every edge blue

$$\Rightarrow R(2, k) > k-1$$

$n \geq k$  (i) Only use blue ✓  
= (ii) Use red - red  $K_2$  ✓

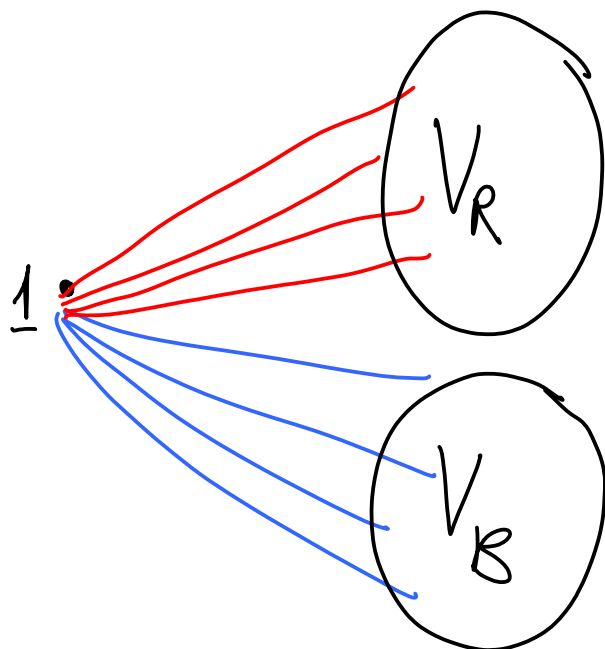
Theorem  $R(k, l) \leq R(k, l-1) + R(k-1, l)$

We know  
 $x \equiv R(k, l)$  exists



Existence proof by  
 induction on  $k+l$

$$n \geq R(k, l-1) + R(k-1, l)$$



$$|V_R| + |V_B| = n - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |V_R| \geq R(k-1, l) \quad (a)$$

or

$$|V_B| \geq R(k, l-1) \quad (b)$$

(a)  $\exists$  Red  $K_{k-1}$  or Blue  $K_l$  inside  $V_R$



✓

$$R(k, l) \leq \binom{k+l-2}{k-1}$$

$$R(k, k) < 2^{2k} = 4^k$$

Proof Induction on  $k+l$

$$R(k, l) \leq R(k, l-1) + R(k-1, l) \quad \text{just proved}$$

$$\leq \binom{k+l-3}{k-1} + \binom{k+l-3}{k-2} \quad \text{induction}$$

$$= \binom{k+l-2}{k-1} \quad \text{Pascal } \triangle$$

Current knowledge  $R(k, k) \leq 4^k$   
 $\phi(k) = \Theta^*(k)$   $\phi(k) \rightarrow \infty$  with  $k$

$$R(k, k) > 2^{k/2} = (\sqrt{2})^k$$


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$$\sqrt{2} + o(1) \leq \frac{\log_2 R(k, k)}{k} \leq 4 - o(1)$$

$$k \rightarrow \infty$$

Probabilistic method:

If  $n \leq 2^{k/2}$  then  $\exists$  a 2-coloring of

$K_n$  without a Red  $K_k$  or a Blue  $K_k$ .

We color randomly and show  $P(\exists \overset{\text{mono}}{K}_n) < 1$ .

$E_R = \{ \exists \text{ a Red } k\text{-clique} \}$  Want to show

$E_B = \{ \exists \text{ a Blue } k\text{-clique} \}$   $P(E_R \cup E_B) < 1$

$C_1, C_2, \dots, C_N$ ,  $N = \binom{n}{k}$  be the set of all  $k$ -cliques.

$E_{R,i} = \{ C_i \text{ is Red} \}$ ,  $E_{B,i} = \{ C_i \text{ is Blue} \}$

$$P_r(\mathcal{E}_R \cup \mathcal{E}_B) \leq P_r(\mathcal{E}_R) + P_r(\mathcal{E}_B)$$

$$= P_r\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^N \mathcal{E}_{R,j}\right) + P_r\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^N \mathcal{E}_{B,j}\right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=1}^N P_r(\mathcal{E}_{R,j}) + \sum_{j=1}^N P_r(\mathcal{E}_{B,j})$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\binom{k}{2}} + \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\binom{k}{2}}$$

$$= 2 \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k(k-1)/2}$$

$$< 2 \frac{n^k}{k!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k(k-1)/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \nearrow < 1 \text{ for } k \geq 4 \\ & = \frac{2^{1+k/2}}{k!} \\ & \nearrow = \frac{2^{1+\frac{k^2}{2}-k(k-1)/2}}{k!} \end{aligned}$$