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$\mathcal{B}_n = \text{poset of } P([n])$

Thm (Sperner, 1928)

Every antichain has size  $\leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$

Pf (from Jukna):  $\mathcal{F} = \{A_i \mid A_i \subseteq [n]\}$  antichain

Pick  $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$  + look at all max chains in  $[n]$

containing  $A_i$ .  $|A_i| = k \Rightarrow \# \text{ chains is } k!(n-k)!$

Also none of the max chains in  $\mathcal{B}_n$  meet  $\mathcal{F}$  more than

once, so  $n! \geq \sum_i |A_i|! (n - |A_i|)! \geq |\mathcal{F}| \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil!$

$\Rightarrow |\mathcal{F}| \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \checkmark$

Thm (Mahtel, 1907)

$|V(G)| = 2n \quad |E(G)| \geq n^2/4$

$\Rightarrow \Delta \leq G$

Pf: (from Jukna Ch 4) induction base  $n=1 \checkmark$

step:  $2n+2$  vertices, pick  $(xy) \in E$   $H = G - x-y$

$|E(H)| \geq n^2/4 \Rightarrow \checkmark \quad |E(H)| < n^2/4 \Rightarrow$

$|N(x)| + |N(y)| \geq 2n+1 \Rightarrow N(x) \cap N(y) \neq \emptyset \checkmark$

Second proof is more lively:

$A \subseteq V(G)$  largest indep set (i.e.  $A$  indep,  $|A| = \alpha(G)$ )

$B = V - A \quad \forall x \in B \quad N(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and

$|N(x)| \leq \alpha(G) = |A|$  c/w  $\exists \text{ } u \times v \in A$

$|E| \leq \sum_{x \in B} \deg x \leq \sum_{x \in B} |A| = |B| \cdot |A| \leq \left(\frac{|A| + |B|}{2}\right)^2 = n^2 \checkmark$   
 $\checkmark$  b/c every edge has at least one vertex in B

Thm (Graham-Kleitman 1973)

$\alpha: E(K_n) \leftrightarrow \left[ \binom{[n]}{2} \right]$  labelling of edges

Then the longest increasing trail has length  $\geq (n-1)$

(trail: oriented path that can go through the same vertex more than once)

pf: Let  $w_x$  = length of longest inc. trail ending at  $x$   
ETST  $\sum w_x \geq n(n-1)$

Start:  $\sum w_x = 0$   $i^{\text{th}}$  step: look at  $e_i = xy$

this increases  $w_x$  by  $w_y$ , makes

$$w_x' = \max\{w_x, w_y + 1\} \quad w_y' = \max\{w_y + 1, w_y\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  every edge addition increases weight sum by 2

$$\Rightarrow \sum w_x \geq \binom{n}{2} 2 \quad \checkmark$$