

# Extremality of Gibbs Measure for Colorings on Trees

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- Broadcasting on Trees, Extremality and Reconstruction.
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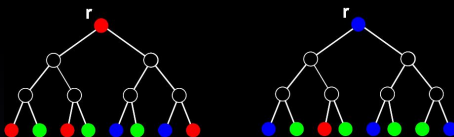
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- For which  $k$  is  $\mu$  extremal?  
(Not a convex combination of other Gibbs measures.)

# Extremality and Reconstruction

[Georgii '88]

Extremality of  $\mu$  is equivalent to decay of correlation between the root and the leaves in the limit.

- $\mu^i = \mu(\cdot | \sigma_r = i)$
- $\sigma_\ell$  the coloring at level  $\ell$ .



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- [Mossel '04], [Daskalakis-Mossel-Roch '06 ]  
Evolution of DNA, phylogenetic reconstruction.
- [Von Neumann '56], [Pippenger '88], [Evans-Schulman '93]  
Information theory, noisy computation.
- [Montanari-Gerschenfeld '07]  
Random CSP's. Sufficient conditions for equivalence of reconstruction on random graphs and the tree reconstruction. Equivalence for Potts model when  $\beta < \infty$ .

- [Hayes-Vera-Vigoda '07]  
 $O^*(n^4)$  mixing time of Glauber dynamics for planar graphs when  $k > C\Delta / \ln \Delta$ .
- [Martinelli-Sinclair-Weitz '03] Exponential decay of correlation on the tree implies  $O(n \ln n)$  mixing time for Glauber dynamics when uniqueness holds.
- [Berger-Kenyon-Mossel-Peres '05]  
 $O(n)$  relaxation time for Glauber dynamics implies extremality.



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- [Sly '08]  
Non-reconstruction for  $\Delta \leq k(\ln k + \ln \ln k + 1 + o(1))$ .  
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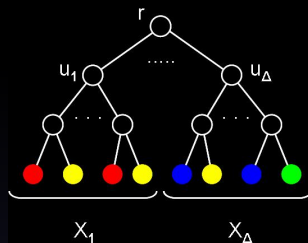
## Theorem (B-Vera-Vigoda)

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and  $\Delta > \Delta_\varepsilon$ . If  $k > \frac{(2+20\varepsilon)\Delta}{\ln \Delta}$ , there is a constant  $\alpha = \alpha_\varepsilon$  s.t.  $\forall c \in [k]$

$$\mathbb{P}[|\mu(\sigma_r = c|\sigma_\ell) - \mu(\sigma_r = c)| > \Delta^{-\alpha\ell}] < \Delta^{-2\alpha\ell}$$

# Translation Invariance

- $T_v \subseteq T$ , tree rooted at  $v$ .
- $\mu_v(\cdot)$ , the free Gibbs measure on  $T_v$ .
- $\mu(\cdot) = \mu_{u_i}(\cdot)$ .



- If  $X = (X_1, \dots, X_\Delta)$  where  $X \sim \sigma_l$ , then  $X_i \sim \sigma_{l-1}$ .

$X = (X_1, \dots, X_\Delta)$  coloring of the vertices at level  $\ell$ .

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Recall, non-reconstruction

$$\forall c \in [k], \quad \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[|\mu(\sigma_r = c | \sigma_\ell) - \frac{1}{k}|] \rightarrow 0$$

We show that whp for  $X \sim \sigma_\ell$ , the recurrence converges.

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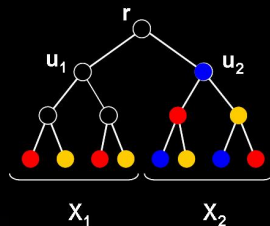
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- Trade off against  $\Delta^\ell$  possible differences. Concentration of  $\mu(\sigma_r = c|X)$  around its expectation  $\frac{1}{k}$ .

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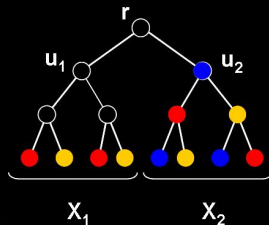
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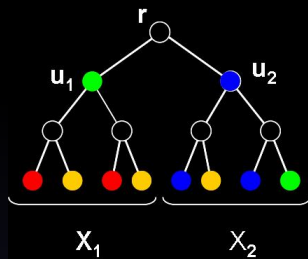
### Corollary

*If at most 2  $X_i$  are bad,  $X$  is good.*



# The $X_i$ are Good Independently

- $\mathcal{G}_i$ : event that  $X_i$  is good. The  $\mathcal{G}_i$  are independent.
- Condition on a proper coloring of  $u_i$ .

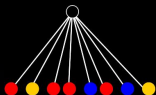


$$\begin{aligned} & \mu(\mathcal{G}_1 | \mathbf{u}_1, u_2, \mathcal{G}_2) \\ &= \frac{N_\ell(\mathcal{G}_1, \mathbf{u}_1, u_2, \mathcal{G}_2)}{N_\ell(\mathbf{u}_1, u_2, \mathcal{G}_2)} \\ &= \frac{N_{\ell-1}(\mathcal{G}_1, \mathbf{u}_1) N_{\ell-1}(\mathcal{G}_2, u_2)}{N_{\ell-1}(\mathbf{u}_1) N_{\ell-1}(\mathcal{G}_2, u_2)} \\ &= \mu(\mathcal{G}_1 | \mathbf{u}_1) \\ &= \mu(\mathcal{G}_1) \end{aligned}$$

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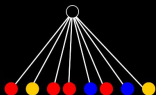
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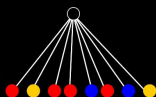


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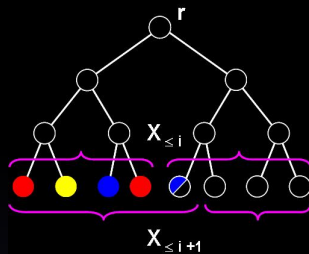


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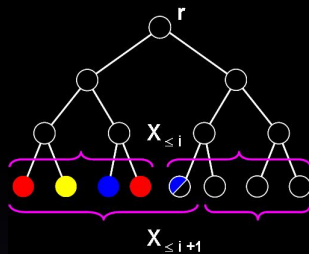
Taking  $\Delta$  s.t.  $(1 - \varepsilon)ke^{-\Delta/k} \geq \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ ,  $X$  is good by definition.

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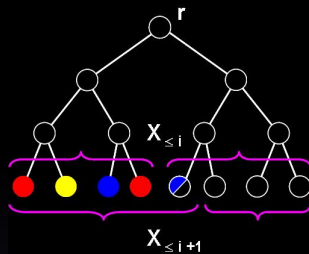
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## Theorem (Chung-Lu)

Let  $Y$  be a martingale and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the event that  $\exists i$  s.t.  $|Y_i - Y_{i+1}| > d_i$ . Then,

$$\mathbb{P}[|Y - \mathbb{E}[Y]| \geq \delta] \leq 2 \exp\left(-\frac{\delta^2}{2 \sum_i (d_i)^2}\right) + \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{B})$$



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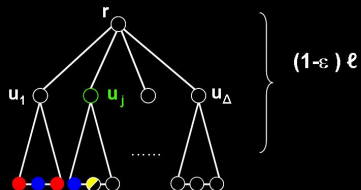
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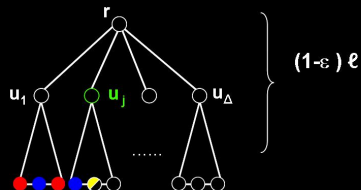
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- [Sly '08]  
Closing the gap between reconstruction and non-solvability.
- [Martinelli-Sinclair-Weitz '03]  
In uniqueness region, decay of correlations implies rapid mixing on the tree. Rapid mixing below uniqueness for the free boundary?
- [Montanari-Gerschenfeld '07] Reconstruction on  $G(n, \frac{\Delta}{n})$  and tree reconstruction?

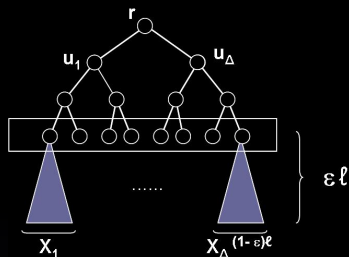






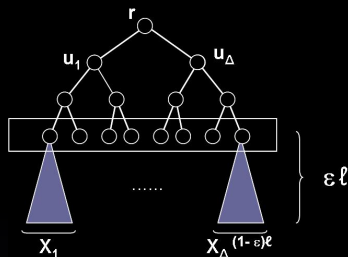
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- W.p.  $1 - 2^{\varepsilon\ell/2}$ ,  $X$  is extra good.
- By the Lemma,  $\forall v$  above level  $\varepsilon\ell$ ,  $\mu(\sigma_v = c | X_v) \leq \frac{1}{\Delta^{\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon}}$

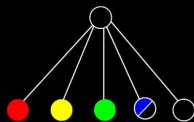
If  $X$  is good, so are each of the colorings  $X_{\leq i}$ .

**Proof.**

By induction. In the base case, freeing can only make  $X$  good.

$|X|$  = number of distinct colors.

$$P[c] = 0 \text{ or } \frac{1}{k-|X|}$$

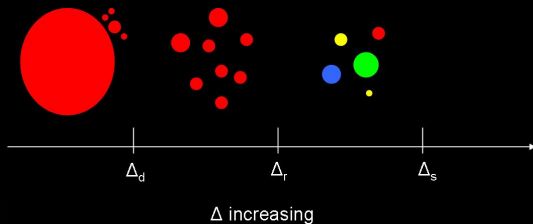


## Corollary

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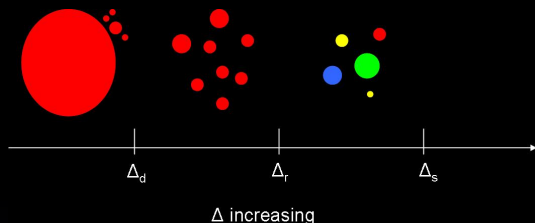
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Conjectured

- $\Delta_d = k(\ln k + \ln \ln k + \alpha + o(1))$ ,  $\alpha \in [1 - \ln 2, 1]$ .
- $\Delta_d$  is the same as the reconstruction threshold for trees.
- [Montanari-Gerschenfeld '07] give sufficient conditions, and show equivalence for Potts model when  $\beta > 0$ .