

Combinatorics, 2020 Fall, USTC  
Homework 12

- The due is on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2021, at beginning of the class.
1. Prove that among any  $2^{k-1} + 1$  vectors in  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$ , there are  $k$  vectors which are linearly independent.
  2. Let  $L \subseteq \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  be a set. Let  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$  be an  $L$ -intersecting family of subsets of  $[n]$ , where each  $A_i$  is of a constant size, say  $k$ . Prove that  $m \leq \binom{n}{|L|}$ .
  3. Suppose  $R_1, \dots, R_m \subseteq [n]$  satisfy that  $|R_i| \not\equiv 0 \pmod 6$  for every  $i$ , and  $|R_i \cap R_j| \equiv 0 \pmod 6$  for every  $i \neq j$ . Prove that  $m \leq 2n$ .
  4. Derive the following result from Bollobás's theorem. Let  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  be subsets of size  $a$  and  $B_1, \dots, B_m$  be subsets of size of  $b$  such that  $|A_i \cap B_i| = t$  for all  $i$  and  $|A_i \cap B_j| > t$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Then  $m \leq \binom{a+b-t}{a-t}$ .
  5. Let  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  and  $B_1, \dots, B_m$  be finite subsets such that  $A_i \cap B_i = \emptyset$  for all  $i$  and  $A_i \cap B_j \neq \emptyset$  for all  $i < j$ . Prove that if  $|A_i| \leq a$  and  $|B_i| \leq b$  for all  $i$ , then  $m \leq \binom{a+b}{a}$ .