## Maximum colorful cycles in vertex-colored graphs

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Figure: Reduction of the MAX SAT problem to MCCP for interval graphs.

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- Key lemma: Let $K$ be a maximum colorful cycle of $G^{c}$, then there exists another maximum colorful cycle $K^{\prime}$ where $V\left(K^{\prime}\right)=\left\{x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{m}\right\} \cup X_{m, n}^{\ell} \cup$ $\left\{y_{1}, y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\right\} \cup Y_{m, n}^{\ell^{\prime}}$ with $1 \leq m \leq|X|, 1 \leq n \leq|Y|$ and $0 \leq \ell=\left|X_{K}\right|-m, 0 \leq \ell^{\prime}=\left|Y_{K}\right|-n$.


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    for \(C_{m} \geq C_{c} \geq C_{m}-2\) do
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        Denote \(\mathcal{C}\left(X_{m, n}\right):=\left\{c_{11}, c_{12}, \ldots, c_{1 k_{1}}\right\}\) and \(\mathcal{C}\left(Y_{m, n}\right):=\left\{c_{21}, c_{22}, \ldots, c_{2 k_{2}}\right\}\).
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& \cup\left\{v_{\min \left[c_{11}\right], V_{\text {min }\left[c_{12}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\text {min }}\left[c_{1}\right]}\right] \text { where } \ell=C_{m}-|X| \text { and } \\
& t=|V(K)|-k_{2}-C_{m}+|X| .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Case 2: $C_{c}=C_{m}-1$

- Easily construct a cycle with $C_{m}-1$ colors from any maximum colorful matching based on the order of dominating vertices



## Algorithm for threshold graphs

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Algorithm 1 Maximum colorful cycle in vertex-colored threshold graphs.
    \(C_{m} \leftarrow\) the number of colors of a maximum colorful matching (using algorithm [5])
    \(\mathcal{C}_{1}:=\mathcal{C}(Y) \backslash \mathcal{C}(X)=\left\{c_{11}, c_{12}, \ldots, c_{1 k_{1}}\right\}\) and \(\mathcal{C}_{2}:=\mathcal{C}(X)=\left\{c_{21}, c_{22}, \ldots, c_{2 k_{2}}\right\}\)
    if \(\exists\) a Hamiltonian cycle \(K\) of \(V(X) \cup\left\{v_{\min \left[c_{11}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\min \left[c_{1 k_{1}}\right]}\right\}\) then \# Case 1.1
        return \(K\) as the maximum colorful cycle \# Lemma 4
    else \# Case 1.2
        \(v^{*} \leftarrow\) the unique vertex satisfying \(\left|X^{+}\left(v^{*}\right)\right|+\left|C\left(X^{+}\left(v^{*}\right)\right)\right|=C_{m}+1\)
        \(X^{+}\left(v^{*}\right) \leftarrow\) set of dominating vertices added to the graph after \(v^{*}\)
        \(\left\{c_{11}^{\prime}, c_{12}^{\prime}, \ldots, c_{1 k^{\prime}}^{\prime}\right\} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}(Y) \backslash \mathcal{C}\left(X^{+}\left(v^{*}\right)\right)\)
        if \(\exists\) a Hamiltonian cycle \(K\) of \(X^{+}\left(v^{*}\right) \cup\left\{v_{\min \left[c_{11}\right]}, v_{\min \left[c_{12}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\min \left[c_{1 k_{1}}\right]}\right\}\) then
            return \(K\) as the maximum colorful cycle \# Lemma 6
        end if
    end if
    for \(v^{* *} \in V\left(G^{c}\right)\) do \# Case 2.1
        \(\left\{c_{11}^{\prime}, c_{12}^{\prime}, \ldots, c_{1 k^{\prime}}^{\prime}\right\} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}(Y) \backslash \mathcal{C}(X) \cup\left\{c\left(v^{* *}\right)\right\}\) and \(\ell \leftarrow C_{m}-|\mathcal{C}(X)|+1\)
        if \(\exists\) a Hamiltonian cycle \(K\) of \(V(X) \backslash\left\{v^{* *}\right\} \cup\left\{v_{\min \left[c_{11}^{\prime}\right]}, v_{\min \left[c_{12}^{\prime}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\min \left[c_{1}^{\prime}\right]}\right\}\)
        then
            return \(K\) as the maximum colorful cycle \# Lemma 8
        end if
    end for
    for \(0 \leq t \leq\left|V(X) \backslash\left\{v_{\max \left[c_{21}\right]}, v_{\max \left[c_{22}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\max \left[c_{2 k_{2}}\right]}\right\}\right|\) do \# Case 2.2
        \(X_{t}\left(G^{c}\right) \leftarrow t\) last vertices in \(V(X) \backslash\left\{v_{\max \left[c_{21}\right]}, v_{\max \left[c_{22}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\max \left[c_{2 k_{2}}\right]}\right\}\)
        if \(\exists\) a Hamiltonian cycle \(K\) of \(X_{t}\left(G^{c}\right) \cup\left\{v_{\max \left[c_{21}\right]}, v_{\max \left[c_{22}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\max \left[c_{2 k_{2}}\right]}\right\}\)
        \(\cup\left\{v_{\min \left[c_{11}\right]}, v_{\min \left[c_{12}\right]}, \ldots, v_{\min \left[c_{1}\right]}\right\}\) where \(\ell=C_{m}-|\mathcal{C}(X)|\) then
            return \(K\) as the maximum colorful cycle \# Lemma 9
        end if
    end for
    return \(K\) as a maximum colorful cycle constructed from any maximum colorful
    matching based on Lemma 1
                                \# Case 3
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Thank you for your attention!

