

- The **unit-distance graph** $G(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|)$: fix $\|\cdot\|$ on \mathbb{R}^n .
Let $G = (V, E)$ with $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\{x, y\} \in E \Leftrightarrow \|x - y\| = 1$.
 $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is **1-avoiding** if it is an **independent set** in G .
- **Question**: What is the supreme density $m_1(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|)$ achieved by a 1-avoiding set in \mathbb{R}^n ?

- **Motivation**: lower bound for the **chromatic number** of \mathbb{R}^n .

- **The Euclidean plane**:

Best construction: $m_1(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2) \geq 0.229$.

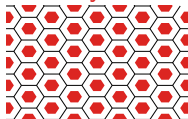
Erdős Conjecture: $m_1(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2) < 1/4$.

Best upper bound: $m_1(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2) < 0.258795$.



- Let $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{P}}$ such that the **unit ball** \mathcal{P} **tiles** \mathbb{R}^n by translation.

Then $m_1(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{P}}) \geq \frac{1}{2^n}$.



- **Bachoc and Robins Conjecture**: in this situation, $m_1(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{P}}) = \frac{1}{2^n}$.

- Results:

- $n=2$:



- Voronoi region of A_n .

- Voronoi region of D_n : $m_1(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p) \leq \frac{1}{(3/4)^{2^n+n-1}}$.

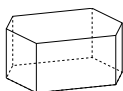
- $n=3$:



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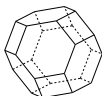
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These results are obtained with **combinatorial methods**, by solving **packing problems in discrete subgraphs**.

- Open Questions:

- Settle dimension 3, improve the bound for D_n .
Is there a standard induced subgraph leading to the $1/2^n$ bound?
- Bounds coming from other methods, for instance involving **Fourier transform** of measures supported by the surface of the polytope.
Asymptotic bounds?
- What about other polytopes? (upper bounds and lower bounds)