# On cliques in diameter graphs

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#### Diameter graph

A graph G = (V, E) is a diameter graph in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  (or on  $S_r^d$ ) if  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  $(S_r^d)$ , V is finite, diam V = 1 and

$$E \subseteq \{(x,y), x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d(S^d_r), |x-y|=1\},\$$

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where |x - y| denotes the Euclidean distance between x and y.

**Borsuk's problem**: is it true that any bounded set in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  can be partitioned into d + 1 parts of strictly smaller diameter?

The finite version of Borsuk's problem

Is it true that any diameter graph G in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  satisfies  $\chi(G) \leq d+1$ ?

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- 1955, H. Eggleston, true for d = 3.
- 1993, J. Kahn, G. Kalai, false for  $d = 1325, d \ge 2016$ .
- 2013, A. Bondarenko, false for  $d \ge 65$ .
- 2013, T. Jenrich, false for  $d \ge 64$ .

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- Case 2. One vertex of  $K_2$  lies outside *S*, all the rest lie inside *S*. What to do: rotate  $K_1$  and reduce to the inductive assumption.

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**Remark:**  $\lfloor \frac{d+1}{2} \rfloor + 1$  can't be replaced by  $I = \lfloor \frac{d+1}{2} \rfloor$  in Conjecture 2.

#### Reuleaux simplex

A **Reuleaux simplex**  $\Delta$  in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is a set formed by the intersection of the balls  $B_i = B_1^d(v_i)$  of unit radius with centers in  $v_i$ , i = 1, ..., d + 1, where  $v_i$  are the vertices of a unit simplex in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

Example to the remark: Consider midpoints of some *I* pairwise disjoint arcs that connect the vertices of the Reuleaux simplex.

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Conjecture 2 holds for d = 4.

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