## Coloring the Vertices of 9-pt and 27-pt Stencils with Intervals

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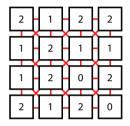
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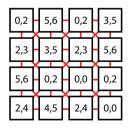
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# The Problem of Coloring Stencils with Intervals

2D Example (4x4)

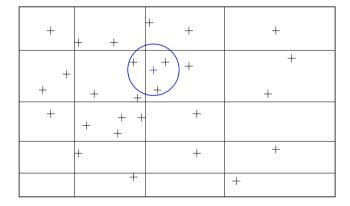


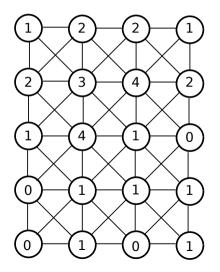
Example Solution



- A graph which is a
  - 2D 9-pt stencil
  - or 3D 27-pt stencil
- Each vertex has a weight w(v)
- Color each vertex with an interval larger than its weight
  - Intervals should have the form [start(v), start(v) + w(v))
- No adjacent vertices can have overlapping intervals
- maxcolors is the largest right endpoint in the set of intervals
- Objective is to minimize maxcolor

## Spatial Applications often Parallelize as Stencils



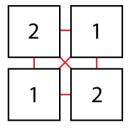




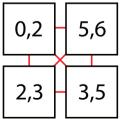
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# Cliques can be Colored in Linear Time

### K4 Example



K4 Solution



### Algorithm

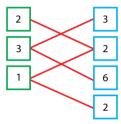
- No vertex can share any color with any other vertex in clique
- We must use at least  $\sum_{v \in K} w(v)$  colors
- Greedily color the interval with the lowest available start(v)
- Complexity  $\Theta(V)$

#### Implications

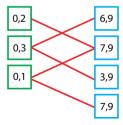
- Each square block of 4 vertices is a K4
  - Sum of weights of K4 is a lower bound of 2D 9-pt stencil
- Each square block of 8 vertices is a K8
  - Sum of weights of K8 is a lower bound of 3D 27-pt stencil

# Bipartite Graphs can be Colored in Linear Time

### Bipartite Example



**Bipartite Solution** 



## Algorithm

- Partition vertices into A, B, s.t,  $(i,j) \in E \implies i \in A, j, \in B$
- Compute  $maxcolor = \max_{(i,j) \in E} w(i) + w(j)$
- Color  $i \in A$  starting at 0 with [0; w(i))
- Color  $j \in B$  ending at maxcolor with [maxcolor w(j); maxcolor)
- Complexity  $\Theta(E)$

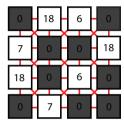
### Implications

Many subgraphs of a stencil are bipartite and induce lower bounds:

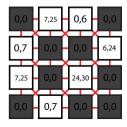
- Each edge in the graph
- 2D 5-pt stencils
- 3D 7-pt stencils
- Many cycles of even length

# Odd Cycles can be Colored in Linear Time

## Odd Cycle Example



## Odd Cycle Solution



#### Algorithm

- Let *maxpair* be the largest sum of any 2 consecutive vertices
- Let *minchain*3 is the smallest sum of 3 consecutive vertices
- We have *maxcolor* = *max*(*maxpair*, *minchain*3)
- Identify the *minchain*3 triplet: 0, 1, 2
  - Color 0 with [0; w(0))
  - Color 1 with [w(0); w(0) + w(1))
  - Color 2 with [w(0) + w(1); w(2))
  - Color the other alternatively with [0; w(v))
  - or [maxcolor w(v); maxcolor)
- Complexity  $\Theta(E)$

### Implications

Many odd cycles in 2D 9-pt stencils and 3D 27-pt stencils



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### NAE-3SAT: Not-All-Equal 3-SAT

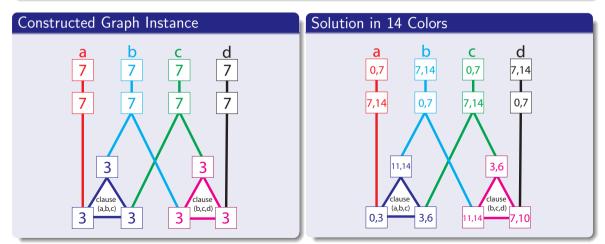
- *n* binary variables in *m* groups of 3 variables
- Assign true or false to each variable
- The instance is positive if every group has at least one variable that is true and at least one that is false

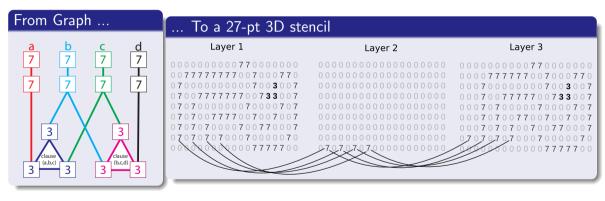
NAE-3SAT is known to be NP-Complete

## Solving NAE-3SAT by Coloring a Simple Graph with 14 Colors

### NAE-3SAT Instance

Variables:  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ ; Clauses:  $\{(a, b, c), (b, c, d)\}$ 







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## Greedy

### **Greedy Principles**

Any greedy coloring will color vertex v with an interval that ends before:  $\sum_{j \in \Gamma(v)} w(j) + (\Gamma(v) + 1)w(v) - \Gamma(v)$ 

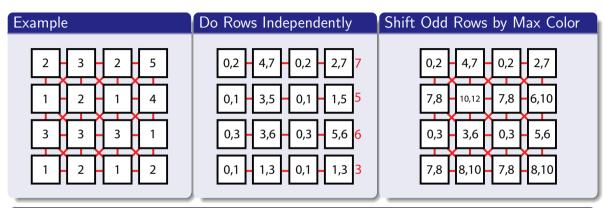
#### By Vertex

- Greedy Largest First
- Greedy Line by Line
- Greedy Z-Order

### By Set

- Greedy Largest Clique First
  - Schedule vertices in the largest clique first; order within clique uses vertex id
- Smart Greedy Largest Clique First
  - Permute each clique and use the order with least maxcolor

## Bipartite Decomposition is a 2-approx. in 2D (and 4-approx. in 3D)



### Bipartite Decomposition with Post Optimization

- Sort K4 or K8 (in 3D) by non-increasing order by the sum total of their weights
- Sort vertices within K4 by increasing order of lowest value in their scheduled interval
- Recolor each vertex one at a time using a greedy principle



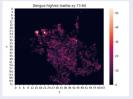
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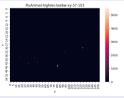
## **Experimental Settings**

### Instances from an Application

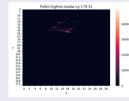
## (lat,long) projection of (lat,long,time) instances



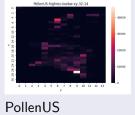




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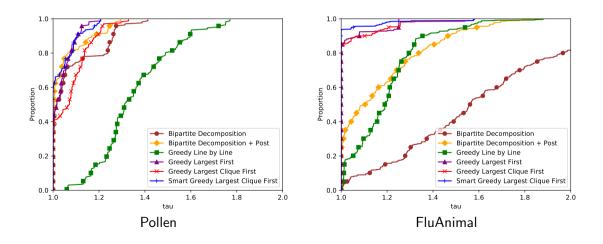
### Software

- Algorithms written in Python
- ILP modeled in python-mip
  - Solved with Gurobi

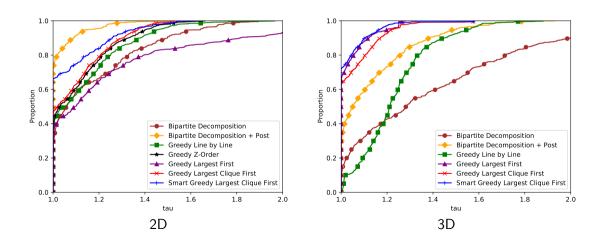
### Machine

- Intel i9-9900K
- Windows 10
- CPython 3.9.4

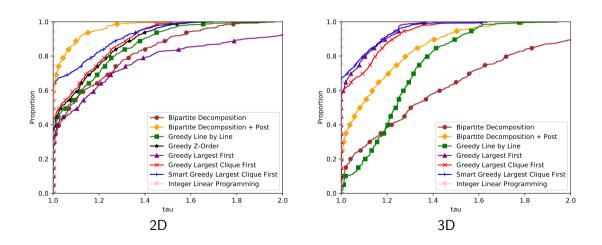
## Instance Structure Impacts Algorithm Performance Significantly



## Bipartite Decomposition is Particularly Good in 2D



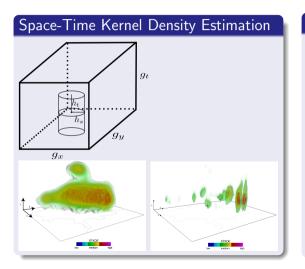
## Heuristics find Solutions Close to Optimal



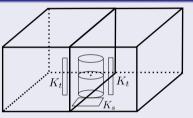


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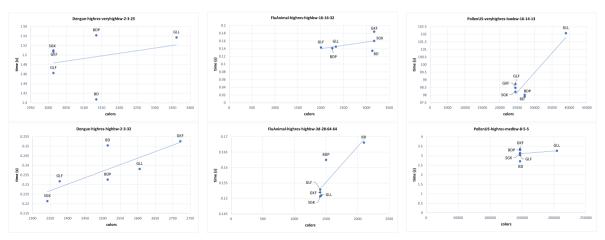


#### Parallelizing over Distant Boxes



When parallelizing boxes, the points in a box can spill to neighboring boxes. This creates the constraint that two neighboring boxes can't be processed at the same time. Hence the stencil structure.

## Number of Colors Correlate with Runtime





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## Conclusion

## Work Accomplished

- Load balancing some spatial applications as interval coloring of stencil graphs
- Solved sub-problems
  - Clique
  - Bipartite graphs
  - Odd cycles
- Proved that interval coloring of 3D 27-pt stencil is NP-Complete
- Designed heuristics, including
  - 2-approximation for 2D 9-pt stencil
  - 4-approximation for 3D 27-pt stencil
- Evaluated heuristics
- Confirmed model validity on the STKDE application

#### **Open Problems**

- Can we find the odd cycles of highest number of colors in polynomial time?
- Is interval coloring 2D of 9-pt stencil NP-Complete?
- Are there better approximation algorithms than BDP for 3D 27-pt stencil?

#### **Future Works**

- Study cost of coloring vs benefit of coloring in STKDE application
- Use interval coloring in other applications