

- 1. (0 points) Give your name! What kind of final will we have? When is it due?
- 2. (40 points) In this problem you may assume that, for all k, for all c, there exists N = N(k, c) such that for all c-colorings of $[N] \times [N]$ there exists a monochromatic regular $k \times k$ grid.

Show that there exists M such that, for all 2-colorings of $[M] \times [M] \times [M]$, there exists four points that are the same color of the following form:

 (x, x_2, x_3) $(x + \lambda, x_2, x_3)$ $(x, x_2 + \lambda, z)$ $(x, x_2, x_3 + \lambda)$

 3. (60 points) Consider the following problem in communication complexity: Let $k \ge 3$ be a constant and n is large. k people each have an *n*-bit number on their forehead. We denote these numbers x_1, \ldots, x_k . They want to know if

$$x_1 + \dots + x_k = 2^n$$

In class we showed that if k = 3 they can do this in $O(n^{1/2})$ bits of communication. Find a sequence $\alpha_3 \ge \alpha_4 \ge \alpha_5 \ge \cdots$ such that

- k people can do this problem with $O(n^{\alpha_k})$ bits of communication.
- $\lim_{k\to\infty} \alpha_k = 0$

(Hint1: Follow the proof of the same problem for 3 people trying to determine $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2^n$.

Hint2: You will need k-free sets. Look at the course website for a paper on k-free sets. Use the main theorem of this paper.

Advice: Use the theorem that turns k-free sets into colorings [n] (later [kn]) that have no mono k-AP's.

Terminology to make Erik's grading easier: A k-Ajeet is a set of k points in N^{k-1} of the following form:

$$(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})$$

$$(x_1 + \lambda, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1})$$

$$(x_1, x_2 + \lambda, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1})$$

$$\vdots$$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k-1} + \lambda)$$