Arrangements of Orthogonal Circles with many Intersections

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 Overlapping circles are not necessarily planar



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- Arc-RAC Drawings have at most 14n - 12 edges and there are some with $4.5n - O(\sqrt{n})$ edges (Chaplick, Förster, Kryven and Wolff (2020)).



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Definition

Two circles intersect orthogonally if and only if their tangents in their intersection points intersect at a right angle.



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The intersection graph of an arrangement of n orthogonal circles has at most 7n edges.

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Theorem (C, Schulz (2021))

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Lemma

No intersection graph of an orthogonal circle arrangement contains a K_4 or an induced C_4 .

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Theorem (C, Schulz (2021))

The embedded intersection graph of an acute nonnested circle arrangement is noncrossing.

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Image: A matrix



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Lemma

In the intersection graph of an arrangement of n orthogonal circles we can find a subset V that is incident to at most 5n' - 6 edges, where n' = |V|.

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The intersection graph of an arrangement of n orthogonal circles has at most $\left(4 + \frac{5}{11}\right)$ n edges.

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