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Paul Horn* (phorn@mathcs.emory.edu), **Václav Koubek** and **Vojtěch Rödl**. *Edge disjoint isomorphic subgraphs in uniform hypergraphs.*

We show that any k -uniform hypergraph with n edges contains two isomorphic, edge disjoint subgraphs of size $\tilde{\Omega}(n^{2/(k+1)})$ for $k = 4, 5$ and 6 . Our result is best possible up to a logarithmic factor due to an upper bound construction of Erdős, Pach, and Pyber who show there exist k -uniform hypergraphs with n edges and with no two edge disjoint isomorphic subgraphs with size larger than $\tilde{O}(n^{2/(k+1)})$. This furthermore extends earlier results of Erdős, Pach and Pyber who also established the lower bound for $k = 2$ (ie. for graphs) and of Gould and Rödl who established the lower bound for $k = 3$. (Received July 26, 2011)