1083-13-204 Tài Hà and Russ Woodroofe* (rwoodroofe@math.msstate.edu), Department of Mathematics & Statistics, 175 President Circle, Starkville, MS 39762. Regularity of clutters with collages.
Hà and Van Tuyl showed that if I is an edge ideal of a graph, then the regularity of R/I is at most the matching number of the graph. Indeed, the regularity of R/I is bounded by the minimum size of a maximal matching of the graph. In joint work with Tài Hà, we give an extension of this bound from graphs to clutters (hypergraphs). A main step is to find the correct generalization of matching, the collages of the title. (Received August 28, 2012)