Jozsef Balogh, Hong Liu* (hliu36@illinois.edu) and Maryam Sharifzadeh. Subdivisions of a large clique in C₆-free graphs.

Mader conjectured that every C_4 -free graph has a subdivision of a clique of order linear in its average degree. We show that every C_6 -free graph has such a subdivision of a large clique.

We also prove the dense case of Mader's conjecture in a stronger sense, i.e., for every c, there is a c' such that every c_4 -free graph with average degree $cn^{1/2}$ has a subdivision of a clique K_ℓ with $\ell = \lfloor c' n^{1/2} \rfloor$ where every edge is subdivided exactly 3 times.

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