

PROOF TWO of the Finite Canonical Ramsey Theorem: Mileti's FIRST Proof

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These slides are the ONLY source for this material!

What We Use

- ▶ Use R_1 and ER_1 to prove graph version.
- ▶ Use R_{a-1} and ER_{a-1} to prove a -hypergraph version.

In Proof THREE we will get rid of use of R_{a-1} .

Lemma on Recurrences

We use the following Lemma on Recurrences in ALL of Miletì's proofs.

Lemma: Assume $0 < c < 1$, $0 < \delta \leq 1/2$ and $b \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Define a sequence as follows

$$\begin{aligned} b_0 &\geq b \\ b_i &\geq c(b_{i-1})^\delta \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$b_i \geq c^{1+\delta+\delta^2+\dots+\delta^{i-1}} b^{\delta^i} \geq c^{1/(1+\delta)} b^{\delta^i} \geq c^2 b^{\delta^i}.$$

Note: We may use this in a recurrence like

$$\begin{aligned} b_0 &\geq b \\ b_i &\geq \frac{c}{i} (b_{i-1})^\delta \end{aligned}$$

and take our value of c to be c/i . Note that this is still good for a lower bound— c/i is the smallest that coeff can go.

We refer to this as Rec Lemma.

Proof TWO of Can Ramsey Proof 2-ary case

Given $COL : \binom{[n]}{2} \rightarrow \omega$ define a sequence.

Stage 0: $X = \emptyset$, $A_0 = [n]$.

Stage s : Have $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_{s-1}\}$,

$COL' : X \rightarrow \omega \times \{\text{homog}, \text{rain}\}$, A_{s-1} defined.

Let x_s be least elt of A_{s-1} .

Case 1: $(\exists c)[|\{y \in A_{s-1} : COL(x_s, y) = c\}| \geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}]$.

$$COL'(x_s) = (c, \text{homog})$$

$$A_s = \{y \in A_{s-1} : COL(x_s, y) = c\}$$

Note: $|A_s| \geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}$.

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Case 2: $(\forall c)[|\{y \in A_{s-1} : COL(x_s, y) = c\}| < \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}]$.

Make all colors coming out of x_s to right diff:

Let A_s be set of all $x \in A_s$, x is LEAST with color $COL(x_s, x)$.

Formally A_s is $\{y \in A_{s-1} :$

$$COL(x_s, y) \notin \{COL(x_s, y') : x_s < y' < y \wedge y' \in A_{s-1}\}$$

Now have:

$$(\forall y, y' \in A_s)[COL(x_s, y) \neq COL(x_s, y')].$$

Note: $|A_s| \geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}$.

Want to make colors DIFF

Important note and convention: For the rest of Case 2 ($\forall x \in X$) means only those x with color $(-, \text{rain})$. Want to make the following true:

$$(\forall x \in X)(\forall y, y' \in A_s)[COL(x, y') \neq COL(x_s, y)]$$

Its OKAY if $COL(x, y) = COL(x_s, y)$.

For each $y \in A_s$ we thin out A_s so that:

- ▶ $(\forall x \in X)(\forall y' \in A_s - \{y\})[COL(x, y') \neq COL(x_s, y)]$.
- ▶ $(\forall x \in X)(\forall y' \in A_s - \{y\})[COL(x, y) \neq COL(x_s, y')]$.

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More to do!

$T = A_s$ (Current Version).

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while  $T \neq \emptyset$ 
   $y =$  least element of  $T$ .
   $T = T - \{y\}$ 
  If  $(\exists x \in X, y' \in T - \{y\})[COL(x, y') = COL(x_s, y)]$ 
    then  $T = T - \{y'\}$ ,  $A_s = A_s - \{y'\}$ 
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Note: At end $|A_s| \geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}/s$ (see next slide for why).

Analysis of while Loop

Recall: only looking at $x \in X$ colored $(-, \text{rain})$. Hence all of the $x \in X$ we consider have all DIFF colors coming out of it. Call this statement $DIFF(x)$.

Consider the statement:

If $(\exists x \in X, y' \in T - \{y\})[COL(x, y') = COL(x_s, y)]$

We think of x as tossing y' OUT.

CLAIM: x can only toss out ONE y' .

PROOF: If $COL(x, y') = COL(x, y'') = COL(x_s, y)$ then $DIFF(x)$ is false. Contradiction.

So it now *seems* that each $x \in X$ could toss out an element, and hence you could toss $s - 1$ elements. But NO- see next slide.

Analysis of while loop

CLAIM: If x, x' toss out y', y'' then $y' = y''$.

PROOF: Recall again that we are only looking at $x \in X$ colored $(-, rain)$. Inductively we know that

$(\forall x \neq x' \in Y)(\forall y' \neq y'' \in A_s)[COL(x, y') \neq COL(x', y'')]$.

Hence the only way that $COL(x, y') = COL(x', y'')$ is if $y' = y''$.

BOTTOMLINE: This first clause can only toss out ONE element.

Analysis of while loop

By the construction x_s has all DIFF colors coming out of. Call this statement $DIFF(x_s)$.

Consider the statement:

If $(\exists x \in X, y' \in T - \{y\})[COL(x, y) = COL(x_s, y')]$

If this happens we think of x as tossing y' out.

CLAIM: x can only toss out ONE y' .

PROOF: If x tosses out y' and y'' then

$COL(x, y) = COL(x_s, y') = COL(x_s, y'')$. This violates $DIFF(x_s)$.

BOTTOMLINE: Each $x \in X$ dumps at most one element per stage. Hence this second IF statement dumps at most $|X| \leq s - 1$ elements.

BOTTOMBOTTOMLINE: Each stage A_s declares one element IN (namely y) and declares at most s elements OUT.

So how big is A_{s+1} after all of this?

In stage i we KEEP y_i in A_s and we DUMP a set of elements $|Y_i|$ from A_s . We know $|Y_i| \leq s$. Let b be the number of elements in A_s after the while loop.

We begin with the set $\{y_1, \dots, y_b\} \cup Y_1 \cup \dots \cup Y_b$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{|A_{s-1}|} &\leq b + bs = (b+1)s \\ (b+1)s &\geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|} \\ b &\geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}/s\end{aligned}$$

To Reiterate:

Note: At end $|A_s| \geq \sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}/s$.

OKAY- What is $COL'(x_s)$?

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- ▶ $(\forall y, y' \in A_s)[COL(x_s, y) \neq COL(x_s, y')]$.
- ▶ $(\forall x \in X)(\forall y, y' \in A_s)[COL(x_s, y) \neq COL(x, y')]$

$f(s)$ TBD. $t = |A_s| \geq \frac{\sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}}{s}$.

Case 2.1: $(\exists i < s)[|\{y \in A_s : COL(x_i, y) = COL(x_s, y)\}| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)}]$.

$$\begin{aligned} COL'(x_s) &= COL'(x_i) \\ A_s &= \{y \in A_s : COL(x_i, y) = COL(x_s, y)\} \end{aligned}$$

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Case 2.2: $(\forall i < s)[|\{y \in A_s : COL(x_i, y) = COL(x_s, y)\}| < \frac{t}{f(s)}]$.

$$\begin{aligned} COL'(x_s) &= (\ell, \text{rain}) \ell \text{ is least-unused-rain-number} \\ A_s &= A_s - \{y : (\exists i)[COL(x_i, y) = COL(x_s, y)]\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note: If (say) $COL'(x_s) = (19, \text{rain})$ then the 19 has no real meaning except that its NOT $1, 2, \dots, 18$.

Note: $|A_s| \geq t - (s-1)\frac{t}{f(s)} \geq t(1 - \frac{(s-1)}{f(s)})$.

Recurrence for $|A_s|$

Case 1 yields: $|A_s| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)}$

Case 2 yields: $|A_s| \geq t(1 - \frac{s-1}{f(s)})$

Take $f(s) = 1 + (s - 1) = s$ to obtain that in both cases get:

$$|A_s| \geq \frac{t}{s} \geq \frac{\sqrt{|A_{s-1}|}}{s^2}$$

Let $a_s = |A_s|$.

$$a_0 = n$$

$$a_s \geq \frac{\sqrt{a_{s-1}}}{s^2}$$

By Rec Lemma with $b = n$, $c = \frac{1}{s^2}$, $\delta = 1/2$, $i = s$ we get

$$a_s \geq \frac{n^{1/2^s}}{s^2}$$

Will later see how far we need to go.

How far out do we need to go?

We determine r later.

Have $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r\}$, $COL' : X \rightarrow \omega \times \{\text{homog}, \text{rain}\}$.

Case 1: There are $r/2$ colors of the form $(-, \text{homog})$.

Case 1a: There are $\sqrt{r/2}$ that are the same. HOMOG.

Case 1b: There are $\sqrt{r/2}$ that are the different. MIN-HOMOG

Case 2: There are $r/2$ colors of the form $(-, \text{rain})$.

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Case 1b: There are $\sqrt{r/2}$ that are the different. RAINBOW

Need $r = 2k^2$.

Estimate n

Need: $a_r \geq 2$ where $r = 2k^2$.

Have: $a_s \geq \frac{n^{1/2^s}}{s^2}$

Let $s = 2k^2$. Need

$$\frac{n^{1/2^s}}{s^2} \geq 1$$

$$n^{1/2^s} \geq s^2$$

$$n \geq s^{2^{s+1}}$$

Suffice to take $n = 2^{2^{2s}} = \Gamma_2(4k^2)$

UPSHOT: $ER_2(k) \leq \Gamma_2(4k^2)$.

1. GOOD-Proof reminiscent of Ramsey Proof.
2. BAD-Proof complicated(?).
3. GOOD- $ER_2(k) \leq \Gamma_2(4k^2)$. (We've seen worse).

PROOF TWO: 3-ary CASE

JUST LIKE 2-ary case!

Will use R_2 and ER_2 .

Theorem: For all k there exists n such that for all
 $COL : \binom{[n]}{3} \rightarrow \omega$ there exists $I \subseteq [3]$ and an I -homog set of size k .

Proof in the Style of Ramsey

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Stage 1 $a_1 = 1$, $X = \{x_1\}$, $A_1 = [n] - X$.

Stage s : Have $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_{s-1}\}$,

$COL' : \binom{X}{a-1} \rightarrow \omega \times \{\text{homog}, \text{rain}\}$, and A_{s-1} .

Let $A_s^0 = A_{s-1}$ and x_s be least element of A_{s-1} .

For all $0 \leq L \leq s-1$ we define $COL'(x_L, x_s)$ and thin out A ,

Form $A_{s,0}, A_{s,1}, \dots, A_{s,s}$.

Assume have $A_{s,L-1}$ and $COL'(x_1, x_s), \dots, COL'(x_{L-1}, x_s)$.

Notation: We denote $A_{s,L}$ by A_L throughout.

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More to do!

Use C for COL for space

$T = A_L$ (elements to process)

while $T \neq \emptyset$

$y =$ least element of T .

$T = T - \{y\}$ (but y stays in A_L)

If $(\exists Z \in \binom{X}{2}, y' \in T)[C(x_L, x_s, y) = C(Z, y')]$ then

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Note: This will be a color of the form $(-, \text{rain})$.

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$COL'(x_L, x_s) = (\ell, \text{rain})$ ℓ is least not-used-for-rain color.

$$A_L = A_{L+1} - \{y : (\exists Z \in \binom{X}{2})[COL(Z, y) = COL(x_L, x_s, y)]\}.$$

Note: $|A_L| \geq t - \binom{s-1}{2} \frac{t}{f(s)} \geq t(1 - \binom{s-1}{2} \frac{1}{f(s)})$

Picking $f(s)$

Case 1 yields: $|A_L| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)}$.

Case 2 yields: $|A_L| \geq t(1 - \binom{s-1}{2} \frac{1}{f(s)})$

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$$|A_L| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)} \geq \frac{2\sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}}{s^2} \frac{2}{s^2} \geq \frac{\sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}}{s^4}.$$

We do this process s times.

Whats Really Going on?

$$\begin{aligned}b_0 &= b = a_{s-1} \\ b_L &\geq \frac{\sqrt{b_{L-1}}}{s^4}\end{aligned}$$

By Rec Lemma with $c = 1/s^4$, $\delta = 1/2$, $i = L$ we get

$$b_L \geq \frac{m^{1/2^L}}{s^8}.$$

In stage s do this for s times. Hence

$$a_s \geq b_s \geq \frac{a_{s-1}^{1/2^s}}{s^8}.$$

Bound on A_s

Let $a_s = |A_s|$.

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= n \\ a_s &\geq \frac{a_{s-1}^{1/2^s}}{s^8} \end{aligned}$$

By Rec Lemma with $b_i = a_i$, $c = 1/s^8$, $\delta = 1/2^s$, $i = s$, we get

$$a_s \geq \frac{n^{1/2^{s^2}}}{s^{16}}$$

We later see how far we need to go.

Now CASES

We determine r later

Have $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r\}$, $COL' : \binom{X}{2} \rightarrow \omega \times \{\text{homog}, \text{rain}\}$.

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What to do?

Use **RAMSEY'S THEOREM ON PAIRS** JUST 2 COLORS!

$COL''(x, y) = \Pi_2(COL'(x, y))$.

Let $r = R_2(m)$. Let H be the homog set of size m rel to COL'' .

We determine m later.

Homog of color homog

Case 1: All pairs in H colored homog (real colors). Have

$$(\forall x < y < z_1 < z_2)[COL(x, y, z_1) = COL(x, y, z_2)].$$

$$COL'''(x, y) = \Pi_1(COL'(x, y)) = COL(x, y, -)$$

Get an I -homog set where $I \subseteq [2]$.

$$COL(y_1, y_2, y_3) = COL(z_1, z_2, z_3) \text{ iff}$$

$$COL'''(y_1, y_2) = COL'''(z_1, z_2) \text{ (def of } COL''' \text{ iff)}$$

$$(\forall i \in I)[y_i = z_i] \text{ (def of } I\text{-homog)}$$

Get I -homog set.

Homog of color rain

Case 2: All pairs in H colored rain.

Have

$$(\forall x < y < z_1 < z_2)[COL(x, y, z_1) \neq COL(x, y, z_2)].$$

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$$y_3 = z_3 \wedge COL'''(y_1, y_2) = COL'''(z_1, z_2) \text{ (from the construction)}$$

$$\text{iff } y_3 = z_3 \wedge (\forall i \in I)[y_i = z_i] \text{ (def of } I\text{-homog)}.$$

Get $I \cup \{3\}$ -homog.

Estimate n

NEED: $m = ER_2(k) = k^2$ for COL''' .

NEED $r = R_2(m)$ Note that $r \leq$

$$\Gamma_1(2ER_2(k)) \leq \Gamma_1(2\Gamma_2(4k^2)) \leq \Gamma_1(\Gamma_2(8k^2)) \leq \Gamma_3(8k^2)$$

Note $r^2 \leq \Gamma_3(16k^2)$.

Need construction to run r steps. Need n such that

$$\frac{n^{1/2^{r^2}}}{r^{16}} \geq 1$$

$$n \geq r^{16 \times 2^{r^2}}$$

Suffices to take

$$n = 2^{2^{r^2}} = \Gamma_2(r^2) \leq \Gamma_2(\Gamma_3(16k^2)) \leq \Gamma_5(16k^2).$$

So

PROS and CONS

1. GOOD-Proof reminiscent of Ramsey Proof.
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Can Ramsey Proof

Case 2: $(\forall c)[|\{x \in A_{L-1} : COL(X_L, x_s, x) = c\}| < \sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}]$.

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Its OKAY if $COL(Z, y) = COL(X_L, y)$.

For each $y \in A_L$ we thin out A_L so that:

- ▶ $(\forall Z \in \binom{X}{a-1})(\forall y' \in A_L - \{y\})[COL(Z, y') \neq COL(X_L, x_s, y)]$.
- ▶ $(\forall Z \in \binom{X}{a-1})(\forall y' \in A_L - \{y\})[COL(Z, y) \neq COL(X_L, x_s, y')]$.

BILL- SHOW AT BOARD

More to do!

Use C for COL for space

$T = A_L$ (elements to process)

while $T \neq \emptyset$

$y =$ least element of T .

$T = T - \{y\}$ (but y stays in A_L)

If $(\exists Z \in \binom{X}{a-1}, y' \in T)[C(X_L, x_s, y) = C(Z, y')]$ then

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Can show that for each $y \in T$ that is considered:

- 1) There is at most ONE Z such that there is a $y' \in T$ such that $C(X_L, x_s, y) = C(Z, y')$.
- 2) For each $Z \in \binom{X}{a-1}$ there is at most one $y' \in T$ such that $C(X_L, x_s, y') = C(Z, y)$.

Begin with $T = A_L$. Every iteration we

- ▶ Ensure one element stays in A_L .
- ▶ Remove at most $\binom{s}{a-1} + 1 \leq s^{a-1}$ elements of A_L .

$c_0 = \sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}$ (initial size of A_L)

$c_i = c_{i-1} - s^{a-1}$.

Can show $c_i = c_0 - is^{a-1}$.

New $|A_L| \geq \text{Numb of iterations} \geq c_0/s^{a-1} \geq \sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}/s^{a-1}$.

Also: At end

$(\forall Z \in \binom{X}{a-1}, y' \in A_L)[\text{COL}(X_L, x_s, y) \neq \text{COL}(Z, y')]$.

OKAY- What is $COL'(X_L, x_s)$?

RECAP:

- ▶ $(\forall y, y' \in A_L)[COL(X_L, x_s, y) \neq COL(X_L, x_s, y')]$
- ▶ $(\forall y, y' \in A_L)(\forall Z \in \binom{X}{a-1})[COL(X_L, x_s, x) \neq COL(Z, y')]$

$f(s)$ TBD. Let $t = |A_L| \geq \frac{\sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}}{s^{a-1}}$

Case 2.1:

$(\exists Z \in \binom{X}{a-1})[|\{y : COL(X_L, x_s, y) = COL(Z, y)\}| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)}]$.

$$\begin{aligned} COL'(X_L, x_s) &= COL(X_i, x_s) \\ A_L &= \{y \in A_L : COL(X_L, x_s, y) = COL(Z, y)\} \end{aligned}$$

Note: This will be a color of the form $(-, \text{rain})$.

Note: $|A_L| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)}$.

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Case 2.2:

$$(\forall Z \in \binom{X}{a-1}) [|\{y \in A_L : COL(X_L, x_s, y) = COL(Z, y)\}| < \frac{t}{f(s)}].$$

$COL'(X_L, x_s) = (\ell, \text{rain})$ (ℓ is least not-used-for-rain color.)

$$A_L = A_L - \{y : (\exists Z \in \binom{X}{a-1}) [COL(X_L, x_s, y) = COL(Z, y)]\}.$$

Note: $|A_L| \geq t - \binom{s-1}{a-1} \frac{t}{f(s)} \geq t(1 - \binom{s-1}{a-1} \frac{1}{f(s)})$

Picking $f(s)$

Case 1 yields $|A_L| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)}$.

Case 2 yields $|A_L| \geq t(1 - \binom{s-1}{a-1} \frac{1}{f(s)})$

Take $f(s) = 1 + \binom{s-1}{a-1} \leq s^a/a!$. Both cases yield:

$$|A_L| \geq \frac{t}{f(s)} \geq \frac{\sqrt{|A_{L-1}|} a!}{s^{a-1} s^a} \geq \frac{\sqrt{|A_{L-1}|}}{s^{2a}}.$$

(We could have kept the $a!$ and have denom s^{2a-1} but what we do is simpler and does not lose much.)

We do this process $\binom{s-1}{a-1} \leq s^{a-1}$ times.

Whats Really Going on?

$$\begin{aligned}b_0 &= b = a_{s-1} \\ b_L &\geq \frac{\sqrt{b_{L-1}}}{s^{2(a-1)}}\end{aligned}$$

By Rec Lemma with $\delta = 1/2$, $c = s^{2a-2}$, $i = L$ we get

$$b_L \geq \frac{b^{1/2^L}}{s^{4a-4}}.$$

In stage s do this for $\leq s^{a-1}$ times. Hence

$$a_s \geq b_{s^{a-1}} \geq \frac{a_{s-1}^{1/2^{s^{a-1}}}}{s^{4a-4}}.$$

Bound on A_s

Let $a_s = |A_s|$.

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= n \\ a_s &\geq \frac{a_{s-1}^{1/2^{s^{a-1}}}}{s^{4a-4}}. \end{aligned}$$

by Rec Lemma with $\delta = 1/2^{s^{a-1}}$, $c = 1/s^{4a-4}$, $b = a_0 = n$, $i = s$, we get

$$a_s \geq \frac{n^{1/2^{s^a}}}{s^{8a-8}}$$

We later see how far we need to go.

Now CASES

We determine r later

Have $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r\}$, $COL' : \binom{X}{a} \rightarrow \omega \times \{\text{homog}, \text{rain}\}$.

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What to do?

Use **RAMSEY'S THEOREM ON $(a - 1)$ -tuples** JUST 2 COLORS!

$COL''(W) = \Pi_2(COL'(W))$.

Let $r = R_{a-1}(m)$. Let H be the homog set of size m rel to COL'' .

We determine m later.

Homog of color homog

Case 1: Color is homog (real colors). Have

$$(\forall Y \in \binom{H}{a-1}, z_1, z_2)[COL(Y, z_1) = COL(Y, z_2)].$$

$$COL'''(Y) = \Pi_1(COL'(Y)) = COL(Y, -)$$

Get an I -homog set where $I \subseteq [a-1]$.

$$COL(y_1, \dots, y_a) = COL(z_1, \dots, z_a) \text{ iff}$$

$$COL'''(y_1, \dots, y_{a-1}) = COL'''(z_1, \dots, z_{a-1}) \text{ (def of } COL''') \text{ iff}$$

$$(\forall i \in I)[y_i = z_i] \text{ (def of } I\text{-homog)}$$

So get I -homog set.

Homog of color rain

Case 2: Color is rain.

Have

$$(\forall Y \in \binom{H}{a-1}, z_1, z_2)[COL(Y, z_1) \neq COL(Y, z_2)].$$

$$COL'''(Y) = \Pi_1(COL'(Y))$$

Get an I -homog set where $I \subseteq [a-1]$.

$$COL(y_1, \dots, y_a) = COL(z_1, \dots, z_a) \text{ iff}$$

$$y_a = z_a \wedge COL'''(y_1, \dots, y_{a-1}) = COL'''(z_1, \dots, z_{a-1}) \text{ (from const.)}$$

$$\text{iff } y_a = z_a \wedge (\forall i \in I)[y_i = z_i] \text{ (def of } I\text{-homog)}.$$

Get $I \cup \{a\}$ -homog set.

Need $m = ER_{a-1}(k)$ for COL''' .

Estimate n

NEED $m = ER_{a-1}(k)$ for COL''' .

NEED $r = R_{a-1}(m)$.

$$r = R_{a-1}(ER_{a-1}(k)) \leq \Gamma_{a-2}(ER_{a-1}(k)).$$

Need construction to run r steps. Need n such that

$$\frac{n^{1/2^r}}{r^{8a-8}} \geq 1$$

$$n \geq r^{8a \times 2^r}$$

Suffices to take $n = 2^{2^{2ar}} = \Gamma_2(2ar)$

$$n \leq \Gamma_2(2ar) = \Gamma_2(2a\Gamma_{a-2}(ER_{a-1}(k))) \leq \Gamma_a(ER_{a-1}(2ak)).$$

So

$$ER_a(k) \leq \Gamma_a(ER_{a-1}(2ak))$$

$$\begin{aligned}ER_1(k) &\leq \Gamma_0(k^2) \\ ER_a(k) &\leq \Gamma_a(ER_{a-1}(2ak))\end{aligned}$$

Can show

$$ER_a(k) \leq \Gamma_{f(a)}(4ak^2) \text{ where } f(a) = \frac{a^2+a-2}{2}.$$

PROS and CONS

1. GOOD-Proof reminiscent of Ramsey Proof.
2. GOOD-Seemed to be able to avoid alot of cases.
3. BAD-Proof complicated(?).
4. GOOD?- $ER_a(k) \leq \Gamma_{f(a)}(4ak^2)$ where $f(a) = \frac{a^2+a-2}{2}$. An improvement!