

Homework 1

Morally Due Tue Feb 1 at 3:30PM

COURSE WEBSITE:

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1. (0 points) What is your name? Write it clearly. When is the take-home midterm due? **Learn LaTeX if you don't already know it**
2. (20 points)
 - (a) (9 points) Prove that for every c , for every c coloring of $\binom{N}{2}$, there is a infinite homogenous set USING a proof similar to what I did in class.
 - (b) (9 points) Prove that for every c , for every c coloring of $\binom{N}{2}$, there is an infinite homogenous set USING induction on c .
 - (c) (2 points) Which proof do you like better? Which one do you think gives better bound when you finitize it?

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3. (20 points) Prove the following theorem rigorously (this is the infinite c -color a -ary Ramsey Theorem):

Theorem For all $a \geq 1$, for all $c \geq 1$, and for all c -colorings of $\binom{\mathbb{N}}{a}$, there exists an infinite set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ such that $\binom{A}{a}$ is monochromatic (A is an infinite homogeneous set).

End of Statement of Theorem

The proof should be by induction on a with the base cases being $a = 1$. You need to prove the base case.

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4. (20 points) Lets apply Ramsey Theory!

(a) (20 points) Let

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots,$$

be an infinite sequence of distinct reals.

Consider the following coloring of $\binom{N}{2}$. Let $i < j$.

$$COL(i, j) = \begin{cases} RED & \text{if } x_i < x_j \\ BLUE & \text{if } x_i > x_j \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

If you apply Ramsey Theory to this coloring you get a theorem.

State that theorem cleanly.

- (b) (0 points, but REALLY try to do it) Prove the theorem you stated in Part a WITHOUT USING Ramsey Theory.
- (c) (0 points, but REALLY do it) Which proof do you prefer, the one that use Ramsey Theory or the one that didn't?

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5. (20 points) Lets apply Ramsey Theory!

(a) (9 points) Let

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots,$$

be an infinite sequence of points in \mathbb{R}^2 . (NOTE- these are points in \mathbb{R}^2 , not reals. So this is a different setting from the prior problem.) Consider the following coloring of $\binom{N}{2}$.

$$COL(i, j) = \begin{cases} RED & \text{if } d(x_i, x_j) > 1 \\ BLUE & \text{if } d(x_i, x_j) < 1 \\ GREEN & \text{if } d(x_i, x_j) = 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

If you apply Ramsey Theory to this coloring you get a theorem. State that theorem cleanly.

- (b) (9 points) Prove the theorem you stated in Part a WITHOUT USING Ramsey Theory.
- (c) (2 points) Which proof do you prefer?

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6. (Extra Credit- NOT towards your grade but towards a letter I may one day write for you)

Definition A *bipartite* graph is a graph with vertices $A \cup B$ and the only edges are between vertices of A and vertices of B . A and B can be the same set. We denote a bipartite graph with a 3-tuple (A, B, E) .

Notation $K_{n,m}$ is the bipartite graph $([n], [m], [n] \times [m])$.

Notation $K_{\mathbf{N},\mathbf{N}}$ is the bipartite graph $(\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{N})$.

Definition If COL is a c -coloring of the edges of $K_{\mathbf{N},\mathbf{N}}$ then (H_1, H_2) is a *homog set* if c restricted to $H_1 \times H_2$ is constant.

And now FINALLY the problem.

Prove or disprove:

For every 2-coloring of the edges of $K_{\mathbf{N},\mathbf{N}}$ there exists H_1, H_2 infinite such that (H_1, H_2) is a homog set.

7. (Extra Credit- NOT towards your grade but towards a letter I may one day write for you) Recall that the infinite Ramsey Theorem for 2-coloring the edges of a graph:

For all colorings $COL : \binom{\mathbb{N}}{2} \rightarrow [2]$ there exists an infinite homogenous set $H \subseteq \mathbb{N}$.

What if we color \mathbb{Z} instead of \mathbb{N} ? If all we want is an *infinite homogenous set* then the exact same proof works—or you could just restrict the coloring to $\binom{\mathbb{N}}{2}$. But what if we want an infinite $H \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ that has *the same order type as \mathbb{Z}* ?

Definition If $(L_1, <_1)$ and $(L_2, <_2)$ are ordered sets then they are *order-equivalent* if there is a bijection f from L_1 to L_2 that preserves order. That is, $x <_1 y$ iff $f(x) <_2 f(y)$.

And now FINALLY the problem:

Prove or disprove:

For all colorings $COL : \binom{\mathbb{Z}}{2} \rightarrow [2]$ there exists a set $H \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ that is order-equiv to \mathbb{Z} and is homogenous.