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Borel equivalence relations

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A *Borel equivalence relation* is an equivalence relation E on a standard Borel space X, which is Borel as a subset of $X \times X$.

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A Borel equivalence relation E on a standard Borel space X is *countable*, if all E-classes are countable. Abbr.: CBER

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Let X, Y be standard Borel spaces. An equivalence relation $E \subseteq X \times X$ is said to be *Borel reducible* to an equivalence relation $F \subseteq Y \times Y$, denoted $E \leq_B F$, if there exists a Borel map $\varphi : X \to Y$ such that $x_1 E x_2 \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x_1) F \varphi(x_2)$.



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The following are equivalent for a Borel equivalence relation E on a standard Borel space X:

- E is hyperfinite
- E is induced by a Borel action of \mathbb{Z}
- $E \leq_B \mathbb{E}_0$ and E is countable

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A set \mathcal{X} of infinite objects is *Ramsey* if for every infinite object A and finite approximation b there is some $B \in [b, A]$ such that $[b, B] \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ or $[b, B] \cap \mathcal{X} = \emptyset$. A set \mathcal{N} of infinite objects is *Ramsey null* if for every infinite object A and finite approximation b there is some $B \in [b, A]$ such that $[b, B] \cap \mathcal{N} = \emptyset$.

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Theorem (B.-Vidnyánszky [1])

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Suppose A_n is given, let t be the set of n smallest elements of it. Let $A = A_n \setminus t$, the following lemma gives some $A' \subseteq A$, take $A_{n+1} = t \cup A'$.

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But this means that $B, C \in [t \cup A']^{\mathbb{N}}$ cannot be *G*-related, unless $B \setminus t = C \setminus t$, yielding $B\mathbb{E}_0C$.

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By this theorem it suffices to find f(n)-separated sets B_n such that $\{x : \exists^{\infty} n \ (x \in B_n)\}$ is Ramsey positive

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Question (Wang-Panagiotopoulos [6])

Characterize those topological Ramsey spaces on which any CBER is smooth on some positive set.

Thank you!

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