

Ramsey classes of trees

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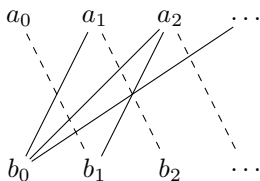
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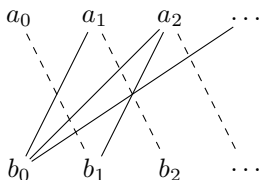
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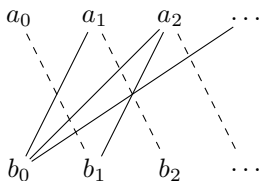
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Theorem ([Sco13])

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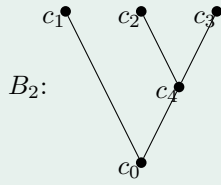
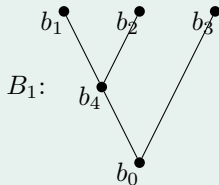
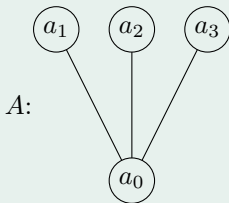
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- Removing \wedge destroys the Ramsey property.

$\mathcal{K} = \text{age}(\mathcal{I}_0 \upharpoonright \{\preceq, <_{\text{lex}}\})$ is not a Ramsey class *

Proof.

By [Neš05], if \mathcal{K} is a Ramsey class, then \mathcal{K} has the amalgamation property. However, an example analyzed in Takeuchi-Tsuboi provides a counterexample to amalgamation. Consider embeddings $a_i \mapsto b_i, c_i$.



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