

Classifying homomorphism-homogeneous structures

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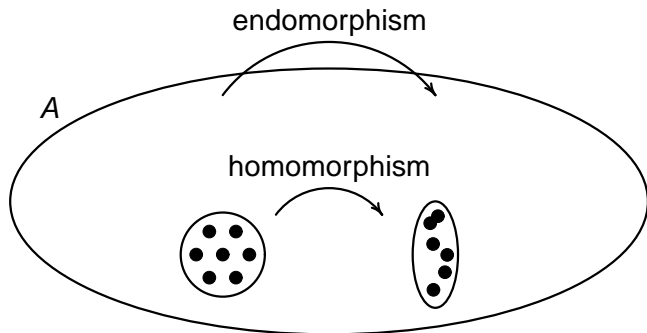
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Homomorphism-homogeneity



Cameron, P. J., Nešetřil, J., *Homomorphism-homogeneous relational structures*, *Combinatorics, Probability and Computing* 15, 91–103 (2006)

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The General Classification Problem.

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Graphs

Objects: finite graphs (X, \sim) , no loops

Subobjects: induced subgraphs

Morphisms: $x \sim y \Rightarrow f(x) \sim f(y)$

Theorem. [Cameron, Nešetřil 2006]

A finite graph G is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if $G \cong k \cdot K_m$ for some positive integers k and m .

Irreflexive structures

Objects: finite structures (X, ρ) where ρ is binary, irreflexive

Subobjects: induced substructures

Morphisms: $x \rho y \Rightarrow f(x) \rho f(y)$

Theorem. [DM, Nenadov, Škorić 2010]

A finite irreflexive binary relational structure (X, ρ) is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is one of the following:

- 1 $k \cdot K_m$ for some positive integers k and m ,
- 2 $k \cdot C_3$ for some positive integer k , where C_3 denotes the oriented 3-cycle.

Posets

Objects: posets

Subobjects: subposets

Morphisms: $x \leq y \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(y)$

Theorem. [DM 2007]

A poset (X, \leq) is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is one of the following:

- 1 every connected component of X is a chain,
- 2 X is a tree or a dual tree,
- 3 X splits into a tree and a dual tree,
- 4 X is locally bounded and dense in the following sense:
whenever $a, b, c, d \in X$ satisfy $\{a, b\} \leq \{c, d\}$, there exists
an $m \in X$ such that $\{a, b\} \leq m \leq \{c, d\}$
(the Riesz Interpolation Property)

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- 4 X is a lattice.

Tournaments with loops

Objects: finite tournaments, vertices may have loops

Subobjects: induced subtournaments

Morphisms: $x \rightarrow y \Rightarrow f(x) \rightarrow f(y)$

Theorem. [Ilić, DM, Rajković 2008]

A finite tournament with loops is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is one of the following:

- 1 C_3 or C_3° , where C_3° denotes C_3 with all loops,
- 2 acyclic tournaments with precisely one loopless vertex,
- 3 acyclic tournaments with two consecutive loopless vertices where both the initial and the final vertex have a loop,
- 4 acyclic tournaments dense in the following sense:
 - ▶ there exist $0, 1 \in V(T)$ such that $0 \Rightarrow x \Rightarrow 1$ for all $x \in V(T)$, and
 - ▶ for all $x, y \in V(T)$ such that $x \rightarrow y$ there is a $z \in V(T)$ such that $z \rightarrow z$ and $x \rightarrow z \rightarrow y$.

Digraphs with loops

Objects: finite digraphs, vertices may have loops

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Theorem. [DM (submitted)]

Let D be a finite digraph with loops which is disconnected or uniform (= all loops, or no loops). Then D is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is one of the following:

- 1 $L + k \cdot \mathbf{1}$ for some integer $k \geq 0$ and some finite homomorphism-homogeneous partially ordered set L ;
- 2 $n \cdot C_3 + m \cdot C_3^\circ + k \cdot \mathbf{1}^\circ$ for some $n, m, k \geq 0$;
- 3 $n \cdot C_3^\circ + m \cdot \mathbf{1}^\circ + k \cdot \mathbf{1}$ for some $n, m, k \geq 0$;
- 4 $n \cdot C_3^\circ + m \cdot \mathbf{1}^\circ + k \cdot A_2^\circ(1)$ for some $n, m, k \geq 0$;
- 5 $n \cdot C_3^\circ + m \cdot \mathbf{1}^\circ + k \cdot A_2^\circ(2)$ for some $n, m, k \geq 0$;
- 6 every connected component of D is a dense tournament;

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- 7 for every connected component S of D there is a $k \geq 1$ such that $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ$ or $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ(1)$;
- 8 for every connected component S of D there is a $k \geq 1$ such that $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ$ or $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ(k)$;
- 9 for every connected component S of D there exist j and k such that $k \geq 1$ and $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ$, or $1 < j < k$ and $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ(j)$, or $1 < j < j + 1 < k$ and $D[S] \cong A_k^\circ(j, j + 1)$.

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Another interpretation: there is no “reasonable” classification of finite homomorphism-homogeneous graphs with loops allowed.

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Groups

Objects: finite groups

Subobjects: subgroups

Morphisms: homomorphisms of groups

Bertholf D., Walls D.: *Finite quasi-injective groups*.

Glasgow Math. J. 20(1979), 29–33

(NB: finite quasi-injective = finite homomorphism-homog.)

Lattices

Objects: lattices as algebras (L, \wedge, \vee)

Subobjects: sublattices as subalgebras

Morphisms: homomorphisms of lattices as algebras

Theorem. [Dolinka, DM 2011]

(a) A lattice L is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is either a chain or every interval of L is a boolean lattice.

(b) A finite lattice L is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is either a chain or a direct power of $0 < 1$.

Semilattices

Objects: semilattices as algebras (S, \wedge)

Subobjects: subsemilattices as subalgebras

Morphisms: homomorphisms of semilattices as algebras

Theorem. [Dolinka, DM 2011]

- (a) A finite homomorphism-homogeneous semilattice is either a tree or the \wedge -semilattice reduct of a lattice.
- (b) Every tree is a homomorphism-homogeneous semilattice.
- (c) The \wedge -semilattice reduct of a distributive lattice is homomorphism-homogeneous.
- (d) (M_3, \wedge) and (N_5, \wedge) are homomorphism-homogeneous.

Universal algebras

Objects: algebras (A, \mathcal{F})

Subobjects: subalgebras

Morphisms: homomorphisms

Theorem. [*Jungábel, DM (to appear)*]

A monounary algebra \mathcal{A} is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if \mathcal{A} belongs to one of the following classes:

- 1 every branch in \mathcal{A} is infinite;
- 2 every connected component in \mathcal{A} is regular, and for any two connected components $S_1, S_2 \subseteq A$, if $\text{cn}(S_1) | \text{cn}(S_2)$ then $\text{ht}(S_1) \geq \text{ht}(S_2)$ or $\text{ht}(S_1) = 0$.

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Theorem. *[DM (submitted)]*

Let \mathcal{K} be the class of all finite algebras whose signature contains at least one at least binary operation. Deciding whether an algebra from \mathcal{K} is homomorphism-homogeneous is a coNP-complete problem.

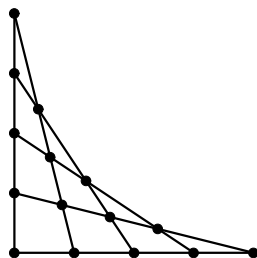
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Point-line geometries

Definition. A *point-line geometry* is an ordered pair (X, \mathcal{L}) where X is a set of *points*, $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a set of *lines* and the following is satisfied:

- ▶ every line contains at least two points, and
- ▶ every pair of points is contained in at most one line.



Objects: point-line geometries

Subobjects: induced subgeometries $(Y, \mathcal{L}|_Y)$ where

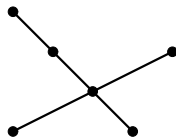
$$\mathcal{L}|_Y = \{l \cap Y : l \in \mathcal{L}, |l \cap Y| \geq 2\}$$

Morphisms: functions that map collin. points to collin. points

$$\forall l \in \mathcal{L} \exists m \in \mathcal{L} (f(l) \subseteq m)$$

Point-line geometries

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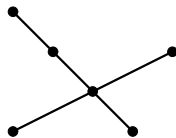


Theorem. [Jungábel, DM (in preparation)]

Deciding whether a finite connected improper point-line geometry which is not a graph is homomorphism-homogeneous is a coNP-complete problem.

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Theorem. [DM (to appear)]

A finite connected proper point-line geometry is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if it is one of the following:

- 1 a pencil of lines,
- 2 the Fano plane,
- 3 a subdivision of the triangular space $T(n)$, $n \geq 1$,
- 4 a particular trivial projective point-line geometry with only two proper lines.

Metric spaces

Objects: metric spaces with rational distances

Subobjects: subspaces

Morphisms: nonexpansive maps

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq d(x, y)$$

Fact. Deciding whether a finite metric space with rational distances is homomorphism-homogeneous is a coNP-complete problem.

Theorem. [Dolinka 2012]

The rational Urysohn space (the Fraïssé limit of the class of all finite metric spaces with rational distances) is homomorphism-homogeneous.

Traditional metric spaces

Fix a “traditional” normed space $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$, $n \geq 1$, $p \in [1, \infty]$

Morphisms: nonexpansive (1-Lipschitz) maps

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\|_p \leq \|x - y\|_p$$

Theorem.

$(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ is homomorphism-homogeneous if and only if $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ has the $(n + 1)$ -Kirschbraun Intersection Property.

Proof. Transfinite induction + Helly's theorem + Closed balls in $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ are convex and compact. \square

Traditional metric spaces

The m -Kirszbraun Intersection Property (m -KIP).

Let $\bar{B}(x_i, r_i)$, $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, be a collection of m closed balls in a Banach space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ such that:

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^m \bar{B}(x_i, r_i) \neq \emptyset,$$

and let $y_1, \dots, y_m \in X$ be such that, for all i and j :

$$\|y_i - y_j\| \leq \|x_i - x_j\|.$$

Then we also have:

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Theorem. [*Kirszbraun 1934*]

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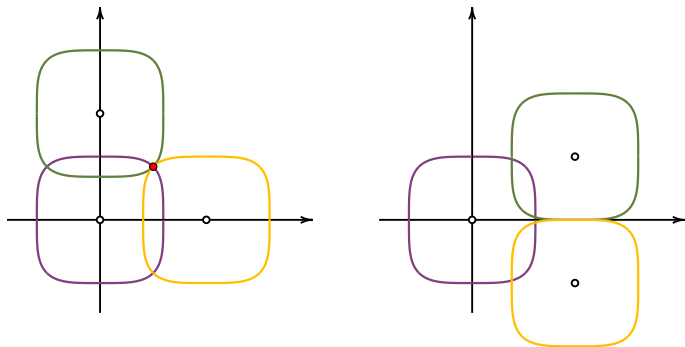
These are the only homomorphism-homogeneous
“traditional” metric spaces!

Traditional metric spaces

Example. [J. T. Schwartz 1969]

$(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ doesn't have 3-KIP for $p \in (1, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$, $n \geq 2$:
there exist $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and an $r > 0$ such that

$\|y_i - y_j\|_p \leq \|x_i - x_j\|_p$ for all i and j , and $\bigcap_{i=1}^3 \bar{B}(x_i, r) \neq \emptyset$, but
 $\bigcap_{i=1}^3 \bar{B}(y_i, r) = \emptyset$.



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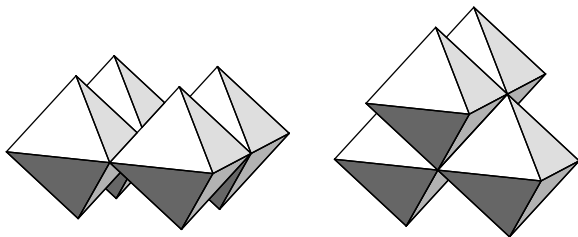
Example.

$(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_1)$ doesn't have 4-KIP for $n \geq 3$:

there exist $x_1, \dots, x_4, y_1, \dots, y_4 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and an $r > 0$ such that

$\|y_i - y_j\|_1 \leq \|x_i - x_j\|_1$ for all i and j , and $\bigcap_{i=1}^4 \bar{B}(x_i, r) \neq \emptyset$, but

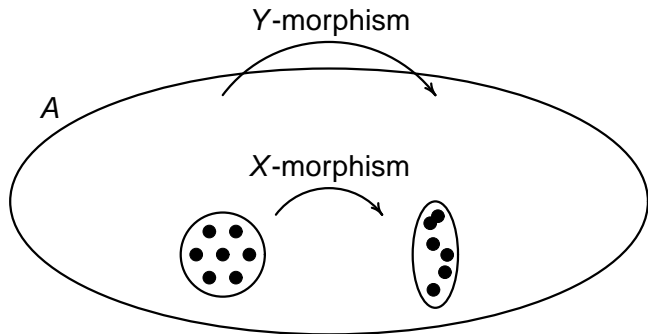
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⌋ *homomorphism-homogeneity*

HH-homogeneity: homomorphism \rightsquigarrow homomorphism

MH-homogeneity: monomorphism \rightsquigarrow homomorphism

IH-homogeneity: isomorphism \rightsquigarrow homomorphism

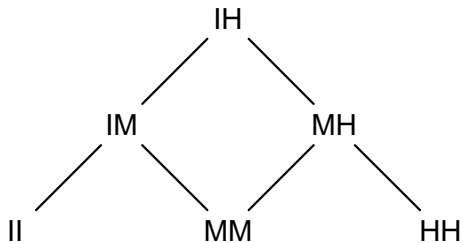
MM-homogeneity: monomorphism \rightsquigarrow monomorphism

IM-homogeneity: isomorphism \rightsquigarrow monomorphism

II-homogeneity: isomorphism \rightsquigarrow isomorphism

⌋ *(ultra)homogeneity*

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Theorem. [Cameron, Lockett 2010]

$$IH = MH = HH$$

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$$IM = MM$$

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II

Countably infinite posets

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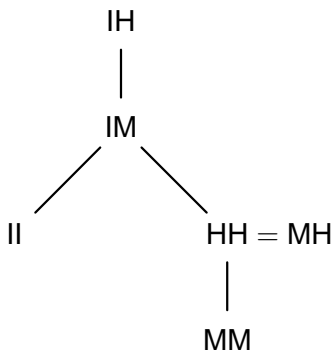
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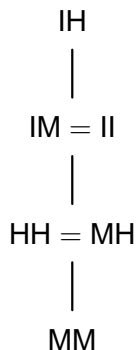
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Theorem. [Rusinov, Schweitzer 2010]



Countably infinite graphs



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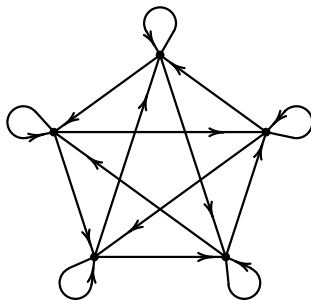
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Answer. [Hartman, Hubička, DM (submitted)]

NO.

Example 1. Digraphs with loops.



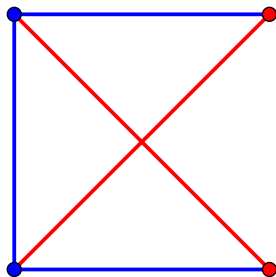
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Example 2. Colored graphs.



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Theorem. [DM, Nenadov, Škorić 2011; Ilić, DM, Rajković 2012]

\mathcal{B} = all finite structures (X, ρ) where $\rho \subseteq X^2$.

$X' = \{x \in X : x \rho x\}$, $\rho' = \rho|_{X'}$.

\mathcal{C} = all $(X, \rho) \in \mathcal{B}$ such that (X', ρ') is \leftrightarrow -connected.

\mathcal{D} = all $(X, \rho) \in \mathcal{B}$ such that (X', ρ') is \leftrightarrow -disconnected.

- 1 Deciding whether a structure from \mathcal{D} is homomorphism-homogeneous is in P (\Leftarrow we have explicit descriptions).
- 2 Deciding whether a structure from \mathcal{C} is homomorphism-homogeneous is coNP-complete.

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A feeling (Hypothesis?)

For the class of finite relational structures where vertices with “loops” form a “connected” substructure, deciding homomorphism-homogeneity is coNP-complete. Otherwise it is in P.