

Topological Ramsey spaces in creature forcing

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Motivation

Observation (Todorćevic). There are strong connections between creature forcing and topological Ramsey spaces deserving of a systematic study.

Question. Which creature forcings are essentially topological Ramsey spaces?

Topological Ramsey spaces dense in forcings make possible exact results for Rudin-Keisler and Tukey structures on ultrafilters forced by

- 1 \mathbb{P}_α , $\alpha < \omega_1$, of Laflamme in [D/Todorćevic 2014, 2015 TAMS];
- 2 Forcings of Baumgartner and Taylor, of Blass, and others in [D/Mijares/Trujillo AFML];
- 3 $\mathcal{P}(\omega^\alpha)/\text{Fin}^{\otimes \alpha}$, $2 \leq \alpha < \omega_1$ in [D 2015 JSL, 2016 JML].

Moreover, the forced ultrafilters have *complete combinatorics* over $L(\mathbb{R})$ in the presence of a supercompact cardinal [Di Prisco/Mijares/Nieto].

Some Results of Rosłanowski and Shelah

Partition theorems from creatures and idempotent ultrafilters, [Rosłanowski/Shelah 2013] seemed a good place to start this investigation.

\mathbf{H} denotes any function with $\text{dom}(\mathbf{H}) = \omega$ such that $\mathbf{H}(n)$ is a finite non-empty set for each $n < \omega$.

$$\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}} = \bigcup_{u \in \text{FIN}} \prod_{n \in u} \mathbf{H}(n).$$

pure candidates are certain infinite sequences \bar{t} of creatures (defined later in context). $\text{pos}(\bar{t})$ is a subset of $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}}$ determined by \bar{t} .

Thm. [R/S] Under certain hypotheses on a creature forcing, given a pure candidate \bar{t} and a coloring $c : \text{pos}(\bar{t}) \rightarrow 2$ there is a pure candidate \bar{s} stronger than \bar{t} such that c is constant on $\text{pos}(\bar{s})$.

Cor. [R/S] (CH) There is an ultrafilter \mathcal{U} on base set $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}}$ generated by $\{\text{pos}(\bar{t}_\alpha) : \alpha < \omega_1\}$ for a decreasing sequence of pure candidates $\langle \bar{t}_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$, moreover, satisfying the previous partition theorem: For any \bar{t} such that $\text{pos}(\bar{t}) \in \mathcal{U}$ and any partition of $\text{pos}(\bar{t})$ into finitely many pieces, there is a pure candidate $\bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ such that $\text{pos}(\bar{s})$ is contained in one piece of the partition and $\text{pos}(\bar{s}) \in \mathcal{U}$.

Remark. This is similar to the construction of a stable-ordered union ultrafilter on FIN using Hindman's Theorem.

Remark. The proofs in [R/S] use the Galvin-Glazer method extended to certain classes of creature forcings.

Thm. [D] Three examples of sets of pure candidates in $[R/S]$ contain dense subsets forming topological Ramsey spaces.

For two of these spaces, the pigeonhole principles rely on the following product tree Ramsey theorem.

New Product Tree Ramsey Theorem

For $p \leq n$, $[K_p]^k \times \prod_{j \in (n+1) \setminus \{p\}} K_j$ denotes

$$K_0 \times \cdots \times K_{p-1} \times [K_p]^k \times K_{p+1} \times \cdots \times K_n.$$

Thm. [D] Given $k \geq 1$, a sequence of positive integers (m_0, m_1, \dots) , sets K_j , $j < \omega$ such that $|K_j| \geq j + 1$, and a coloring

$$c : \bigcup_{n < \omega} \bigcup_{p \leq n} ([K_p]^k \times \prod_{j \in (n+1) \setminus \{p\}} K_j) \rightarrow 2,$$

there are infinite sets $L, N \subseteq \omega$ such that, enumerating L and N in increasing order, $l_0 \leq n_0 < l_1 \leq n_1 < \dots$, and there are subsets $H_j \subseteq K_j$, $j < \omega$, such that $|H_{l_i}| = m_i$ for each $i < \omega$, $|H_j| = 1$ for each $j \in \omega \setminus L$, and c is constant on

$$\bigcup_{n \in N} \bigcup_{l \in L \cap (n+1)} ([H_l]^k \times \prod_{j \in (n+1) \setminus \{l\}} H_j).$$

The proof of this theorem uses

- ① proof methods of a theorem of Di Prisco, Llopis, and Todorcevic to produce an augmented version of their theorem,
- ② prudent diagonalizations,
- ③ and a final application of the theorem of Di Prisco, Llopis, and Todorcevic to the stems after the diagonalizations.

Thm. [DiPrisco/Llopis/Todorčević 2004] There is an $R : (\mathbb{N}^+)^{<\omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^+$ such that for every infinite sequence $(m_j)_{j<\omega}$ of positive integers and for every coloring

$$c : \bigcup_{n<\omega} \prod_{j \leq n} R(m_0, \dots, m_j) \rightarrow 2,$$

there exist $H_j \subseteq R(m_0, \dots, m_j)$, $|H_j| = m_j$, for $j < \omega$, such that c is constant on the product

$$\prod_{j \leq n} H_j$$

for infinitely many $n < \omega$.

Remark. The difference is that we need sets of size k to be able to move up and down indices of the product.

As an intermediate step we prove

Thm. [D] Let $L, N \in [\omega]^\omega$ such that $l_0 \leq n_0 < l_1 \leq n_1 < \dots$. Let $k, m_0 \geq 1$, and let K_j ($j \geq l_0$) be nonempty sets with $|K_{l_0}| = R_k(m_0)$, $|K_{l_i}| \geq i$ ($i \geq 1$), and $|K_j| = 1$ for each $j \in (l_0, \omega) \setminus L$. Then for each coloring

$$c : \bigcup_{n \in N} ([K_{l_0}]^k \times \prod_{j \in (l_0, n]} K_j) \rightarrow 2,$$

and each $r < \omega$, there are infinite $L' \subseteq L$, $N' \subseteq N$ with $l'_0 = l_0 \leq n'_0 < l'_1 \leq n'_1 < \dots$, and there are $H_j \subseteq K_j$ such that $|H_{l_0}| = m_0$, $|H_{l'_i}| = r + i$ for each $i \geq 1$, $|H_j| = 1$ for each $j \in (l_0, \omega) \setminus L'$, and c is constant on

$$\bigcup_{n \in N'} ([H_{l_0}]^k \times \prod_{j \in (l_0, n]} H_j).$$

Then diagonalize to make the k -size subsets range over all indices, and apply Theorem [DLT] to finite stems obtain our theorem.

We now look at a specific example of a creature forcing.

Example 2.10 in [Roslanowski/Shelah 2013]

$\mathbf{H}_1(n) = n + 1$, for each $n < \omega$.

$\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}_1} = \{\text{functions } f : \text{dom}(f) \text{ is finite and } \forall n \in \text{dom}(f)(f(n) \leq n)\}$.

$K_1 = \text{set of all creatures } t = (\mathbf{nor}[t], \mathbf{val}[t], \mathbf{dis}[t], m_{\text{dn}}^t, m_{\text{up}}^t) \text{ such that}$

- $\mathbf{dis}[t] = (u^t, i^t, A^t)$, where $u^t \subseteq [m_{\text{dn}}^t, m_{\text{up}}^t)$, $i^t \in u^t$, $\emptyset \neq A^t \subseteq \mathbf{H}_1(i^t) = i^t + 1$,
- $\mathbf{nor}[t] = \log_2(|A^t|)$,
- $\mathbf{val}[t] \subseteq \prod_{j \in u} \mathbf{H}_1(j) = \prod_{j \in u} (j + 1)$ s.t. $\{f(i^t) : f \in \mathbf{val}[t]\} = A^t$.

The Sub-Composition Operation: For $t_0, \dots, t_n \in K_1$ with $m_{\text{up}}^{t_l} = m_{\text{dn}}^{t_{l+1}}$ for all $l \leq n$,

$\Sigma_1^*(t_0, \dots, t_n)$ is all $t \in K_1$ such that $m_{\text{dn}}^t = m_{\text{dn}}^{t_0}$, $m_{\text{up}}^t = m_{\text{up}}^{t_n}$, and

$$u^t = \bigcup_{j \leq n} u^{t_j}, \quad i^t = i^{t_l}, \quad A^t \subseteq A^{t_l} \text{ for some } l \leq n,$$

and $\mathbf{val}[t] \subseteq \{f_0 \cup \dots \cup f_n : (f_0, \dots, f_n) \in \mathbf{val}[t_0] \times \dots \times \mathbf{val}[t_n]\}$.

$\text{PC}_{\infty}^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ denotes the set of all **pure candidates** $\bar{t} = (t_0, t_1, \dots)$ such that for each $n < \omega$, $t_n \in K_1$ and $m_{\text{up}}^{t_n} = m_{\text{dn}}^{t_{n+1}}$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{nor}[t_n] = \infty$.

$\bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ iff $\exists (n_j)_{j < \omega}$ strictly increasing s.t. $\forall j, s_j \in \Sigma_1^*(t_{n_j}, \dots, t_{n_{j+1}-1})$.

The set of *possibilities* on the pure candidate \bar{t} is

$$\text{pos}^{\text{tt}}(\bar{t}) = \bigcup \{f_0 \cup \dots \cup f_n : n \in \omega \wedge \forall i \leq n (f_i \in \mathbf{val}[t_i])\}. \quad (1)$$

Thm. [R/S] Given $\bar{t} \in \text{PC}_{\infty}^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$, $l \geq 1$, $d_k : \text{pos}^{\text{tt}}(\bar{t} \upharpoonright k) \rightarrow l$, $k < \omega$, $\exists \bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ in $\text{PC}_{\infty}^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ and a $l' < l$ such that for each $i < \omega$, if k is such that $s_i \in \Sigma_1^*(\bar{s} \upharpoonright k)$ and $f \in \text{pos}^{\text{tt}}(\bar{s} \upharpoonright i)$, then $d_k(f) = l'$.

$\bar{t} \upharpoonright n$ denotes (t_n, t_{n+1}, \dots) .

Remark. This theorem will be recovered from showing that there is a topological Ramsey space dense in $\text{PC}_{\infty}^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$.

A dense subset of $\text{PC}_\infty^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ forming a tRs

Recall: $\mathbf{H}_1(n) = n + 1$.

Creatures $t \in K_1$ are determined by $m_{\text{dn}}^t < m_{\text{up}}^t$, $u^t \subseteq [m_{\text{dn}}^t, m_{\text{up}}^t)$, $i^t \in u^t$, $A^t \subseteq \mathbf{H}_1(i^t)$, $\mathbf{val}[t] \subseteq \prod_{j \in u^t} \mathbf{H}_1(j)$ satisfying $\{f(i^t) : f \in \mathbf{val}[t]\} = A^t$.

$\mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1)$ is the set of $\bar{t} = (t_n : n < \omega) \in \text{PC}_\infty^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ such that $\forall n$,

- 1 $|A^{t_n}| = n + 1$ and
- 2 for each $a \in A^{t_n}$, there is exactly one function $g_a^{t_n} \in \mathbf{val}[t_n]$ such that $g_a(i^{t_n}) = a$.

Thus, $\mathbf{val}[t_n] = \{g_a^{t_n} : a \in A^{t_n}\}$ and $|\mathbf{val}[t_n]| = |A^{t_n}| = n + 1$.

A dense subset of $\text{PC}_{\infty}^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ forming a tRs

For $k < \omega$ and $\bar{s} = (s_0, s_1, \dots) \in \mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$, $r_k(\bar{s}) = (s_0, \dots, s_{k-1})$.

Thm. [D] $(\mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*), \leq, r)$ is a topological Ramsey space which is dense in $\text{PC}_{\infty}^{\text{tt}}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$.

Cor. [D] Given $\bar{t} \in \mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ and $c_k : \mathcal{AR}_k | \bar{t} \rightarrow I$ for each $k \geq 1$, there is an $\bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ in $\mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$ and an $I' < I$ such that for each k , c_k is constantly I' on $r_k[k-1, \bar{s}]$.

Using the fact that for $\bar{t} \in \mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$, $|\text{pos}^{\text{tt}}(t_n)| = n+1$ for each n , we can quickly derive Rosłanowski and Shelah's result for this example, and hence obtain an ultrafilter on $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}_1}$ which satisfies the partition theorem of [R/S].

The proof that $(\mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*), \leq, r)$ is a topological Ramsey space hinges on proving the pigeonhole principle **Axiom A.4**:

Given $\bar{t} \in \mathcal{R}(K_1, \Sigma_1^*)$, $k \geq 1$, and $c : r_k[k-1, \bar{t}] \rightarrow 2$, there is an $\bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ such that c is constant on $r_k[k-1, \bar{s}]$.

Members (t_0, \dots, t_{k-2}, x) of $r_k[k-1, \bar{t}]$ are completely determined by the triple $(i^x, A^x, m_{\text{up}}^x)$. So c is really coloring

$$\bigcup_{n \geq k-1} \bigcup_{k-1 \leq p \leq n} A^{t_{k-1}} \times \dots \times A^{t_{p-1}} \times [A^{t_p}]^k \times A^{t_{p+1}} \times A^{t_n}.$$

Applying our Product Tree Ramsey Theorem yields the pigeonhole principle.

Example 2.11 in [Roslanowski/Shelah 2013]

$\mathbf{H}_2(n) = 2$ for $n < \omega$. $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}_2} = \{f : \text{dom}(f) \in \text{FIN} \text{ and } f : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow 2\}$.

$K_2 =$ set of all creatures $t = (\mathbf{nor}[t], \mathbf{val}[t], \mathbf{dis}[t], m_{\text{dn}}^t, m_{\text{up}}^t)$ such that

- $\emptyset \neq \mathbf{dis}[t] \subseteq [m_{\text{dn}}^t, m_{\text{up}}^t)$,
- $\mathbf{val}[t] \subseteq \mathbf{dis}[t]2$,
- $\mathbf{nor}[t] = \log_2(|\mathbf{val}[t]|)$.

For $t_0, \dots, t_n \in K_2$ with $m_{\text{up}}^{t_l} \leq m_{\text{dn}}^{t_{l+1}}$ for all $l \leq n$, $\Sigma_2(t_0, \dots, t_n)$ consists of all creatures $t \in K_2$ such that

$$m_{\text{dn}}^t = m_{\text{dn}}^{t_0}, \quad m_{\text{up}}^t = m_{\text{up}}^{t_n}, \quad \mathbf{dis}[t] = \mathbf{dis}[t_l], \quad \mathbf{val}[t] \subseteq \mathbf{val}[t_l], \quad \text{for some } l \leq n.$$

$PC_\infty(K_2, \Sigma_2)$ denotes the set of all **pure candidates** $\bar{t} = (t_0, t_1, \dots)$ such that for each $i < \omega$, $t_i \in K_2$ and $m_{\text{up}}^{t_i} \leq m_{\text{dn}}^{t_i}$, and $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \text{nor}[t_i] = \infty$.

$\bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ iff $\exists (j_n)_{n < \omega}$ strictly increasing s.t. $\forall n, s_n \in \Sigma_2(t_{j_{2n}}, \dots, t_{j_{2n+1}})$.

The set of *possibilities* on the pure candidate \bar{t} is

$$\text{pos}(\bar{t}) = \bigcup \{ \text{val}[t_n] : n < \omega \}. \quad (2)$$

Thm. [R/S] Given $\bar{t} \in PC_\infty(K_2, \Sigma_2)$, $l \geq 1$, and $d_k : \text{pos}(\bar{t} \upharpoonright k) \rightarrow l$, $k < \omega$, there exist $\bar{s} \leq \bar{t}$ in $PC_\infty(K_2, \Sigma_2)$ and $l' < l$ such that for each $i < \omega$, if k is such that $s_i \in \Sigma_2(\bar{t} \upharpoonright k)$ and $f \in \text{pos}(\bar{s} \upharpoonright i)$, then $d_k(f) = l'$.

This theorem will be recovered by showing that there is a topological Ramsey space dense in $PC_\infty(K_2, \Sigma_2)$.

A dense subsets forming a topological Ramsey space

$$\mathcal{R}(K_2, \Sigma_2) = \{\bar{s} \in PC_\infty(K_2, \Sigma_2) : \forall l < \omega, |\mathbf{val}[t_l]| = l + 1\},$$

with its inherited partial ordering.

Thm. [D] $(\mathcal{R}(K_2, \Sigma_2), \leq, r)$ is a topological Ramsey space which is dense in $PC_\infty(K_2, \Sigma_2)$.

Remark. The proof of the pigeonhole again relies on the new product tree Ramsey theorem. The application, though, is slightly different.

The generic filter

Since $\mathcal{R}(K_2, \Sigma_2)$ is a topological Ramsey space, it forces a generic filter \mathcal{G} which is selective for $\mathcal{R}(K_2, \Sigma_2)$, hence has complete combinatorics over $L(\mathbb{R})$ in the presence of a supercompact cardinal.

The generic filter induces an ultrafilter \mathcal{U} on \mathcal{AR}_1 .

$$\mathcal{AR}_1 = \{(m, n, f) : m < n, \text{ dom}(f) \subseteq [m, n) \text{ and } \text{ran}(f) \subseteq 2\}$$

This filter induces an ultrafilter on $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{H}_2} = \{f : \text{dom}(f) \in \text{FIN} \text{ and } f : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow 2\}$ generated by possibilities on pure candidates and satisfying the partition theorem of [R/S].

Questions

- 1 What other creature forcings are essentially (topological) Ramsey spaces? Extend this study to streamline approaches to certain classes of creature forcings.
- 2 What other forced ultrafilters in the literature, or new ones, have complete combinatorics?
- 3 What other pigeonhole principles and Ramsey theorems will emerge from this investigation?

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