

Ramsey simplicity of random graphs

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A graph G is q -Ramsey for another graph H if in any q -edge-colouring of G there is a monochromatic copy of H , and the classic Ramsey problem asks for the minimum number of vertices in such a graph. This was broadened in the seminal work of Burr, Erdős, and Lovász to the investigation of other extremal parameters of Ramsey graphs, including the minimum degree.

It is not hard to see that if G is minimally q -Ramsey for H we must have $\delta(G) \geq q(\delta(H) - 1) + 1$, and we say that a graph H is q -Ramsey simple if this bound can be attained. Grinshpun showed that this is typical of rather sparse graphs, proving that the random graph $G(n, p)$ is almost surely 2-Ramsey simple when $\frac{\log n}{n} \ll p \ll n^{-2/3}$. In this talk, we explore this question further, asking for which pairs $p = p(n)$ and $q = q(n, p)$ we can expect $G(n, p)$ to be q -Ramsey simple. We resolve the problem for a wide range of values of p and q ; in particular, we uncover some interesting behaviour when $n^{-2/3} \ll p \ll n^{-1/2}$.

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