

Covering with Closed Sets

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Motivation

Very general dichotomies have emerged for Polish spaces which imply several old and new theorems in descriptive set theory.

General Aims:

- Versions of these dichotomies for generalized Baire spaces.
- Lift known applications to the uncountable setting.
- New applications.

The setting:

κ always denotes an **infinite** cardinal with $\kappa^{<\kappa} = \kappa$.

${}^\kappa d$ always has the **bounded topology** τ_b for any discrete topological space d , with basic open sets $N_t := \{x \in {}^\kappa d : t \subseteq x\}$, where $t \in <^\kappa d$.

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Theorem (Solecki)

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Theorem (Shlicht, Sz)

After a Lévy-collapse of λ to κ^+ , the following hold for all definable $X \subseteq {}^\kappa\kappa$:

- $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ if λ is Mahlo.
- $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X, \text{Def}_\kappa)$ if λ is inaccessible.

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Lemma

$\text{CCP}_\omega(X) \iff \text{CCP}_\omega^{\Sigma_1^1}(X)$ for all $X \subseteq {}^\omega\omega$.

Proof.

It suffices to show $\text{CCP}_\omega(\Sigma_1^1)$. Let X be an $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}$ -positive analytic set, and let $f : {}^\omega\omega \rightarrow X$ be a continuous surjection. For all $t \in {}^{<\omega}\omega$, take an infinite maximal antichain A_t of nodes u in ${}^{<\omega}\omega$ with $t \subseteq u$ and $f(N_u) \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}^+$.

Construct a strict order preserving map $\phi : {}^{<\omega}\omega \rightarrow {}^{<\omega}\omega$ such that $\langle \phi(t \smallfrown \langle i \rangle) : i < \omega \rangle$ enumerates $A_{\phi(t)}$ without repetitions for each $t \in {}^{<\omega}\omega$.

$[\phi](x) := \bigcup_{t \subseteq x} \phi(t)$ for all $x \in {}^\omega\omega$. Then $g := f \circ [\phi]$ is a continuous map from ${}^\omega\omega$ to X with $g(N_t) \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ for all $t \in {}^{<\omega}\omega$. □

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If $V = L$, then

- $\text{PSP}_\kappa(\Sigma_1^1)$ fails for all $\kappa = \kappa^{<\kappa} > \omega$ (Friedman, Hyttinen, Kulikov).
- $\text{PSP}_\kappa(\mathbb{C}_\kappa)$ fails for $\kappa = \omega_2$ (Lücke, Schlicht).

So $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X, \mathcal{F})$ is strictly weaker than both $\text{CCP}_\kappa^{\Sigma_1^1}(X, \mathcal{F})$ and $\text{CCP}_\kappa^{\mathbb{C}_\kappa}(X, \mathcal{F})$.

Example: the asymmetric κ -Baire property

$X \subseteq {}^\kappa\kappa$ has the κ -Baire property if there is an open set $U \subseteq {}^\kappa\kappa$ such that $X \Delta U$ is κ -meager (i.e. the union of κ -many nowhere dense sets).

The κ -Baire property holds for κ -Borel sets, but it fails for κ -analytic sets when $\kappa > \omega$:

Example (Halko, Shelah)

$\text{Club}_\kappa := \{x \in {}^\kappa\kappa : \{\alpha < \kappa : x(\alpha) > 0\} \text{ contains a club}\}$

does not have the κ -Baire property. In fact, it is not κ -meager or κ -comeager in any open set.

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The **Banach-Mazur game** $G_{\kappa}^{**}(X)$ of length κ is:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathbf{I} & t_0 & & t_2 & & \dots & & t_{2\alpha} & & \dots \\ \mathbf{II} & & t_1 & & t_3 & & \dots & & t_{2\alpha+1} & & \dots \end{array}$$

where $t_{\alpha} \in {}^{<\kappa}\kappa$. **I** wins if $\bigoplus_{\alpha < \kappa} t_{\alpha} := t_0 \frown t_1 \frown \dots \frown t_{\alpha} \frown \dots$ is in X .

Definition (Asymmetric κ -Baire property)

$\text{ABP}_{\kappa}(X)$ states that $G_{\kappa}^{**}(X)$ is determined.

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A strict order preserving map $\phi : {}^{<\kappa}\kappa \rightarrow {}^{<\kappa}\kappa$ is **dense** if $\{\phi(t \smallfrown \langle i \rangle) : i < \kappa\}$ is dense above $\phi(t)$ for all $t \in {}^{<\kappa}\kappa$.

Lemma (Kovachev; Schlicht)

$\text{ABP}_\kappa(X)$ holds if and only if either

- X is κ -meager, or
- there exists a **dense** strict order preserving map $\phi : {}^{<\kappa}\kappa \rightarrow {}^{<\kappa}\kappa$ with $\text{ran}([\phi]) \subseteq X$.

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In more detail:

Lemma (Kovachev; Schlicht)

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- X is κ -meager.
- **II** has a winning strategy in $G_{\kappa}^{**}(X)$.
- There exists a **dense continuous** strict order preserving map $\phi : <{}^\kappa\kappa \rightarrow <{}^\kappa\kappa$ with $\phi(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ and $\text{ran}([\phi]) \subseteq {}^\kappa\kappa \setminus X$.

Lemma (Schlicht)

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Proof sketch. (1) \Rightarrow (2): $f := [\phi]$.

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The construction:

If $\iota(t)$ and $\phi(t)$ have been constructed, let $u := \begin{cases} \phi(s) \smallfrown r & \text{if } t = s \smallfrown \langle r \rangle, \\ \bigcup_{s \subsetneq t} \phi(s) & \text{if } \text{lh}(t) \in \text{Lim}. \end{cases}$

Since $f(N_{\iota(t)}) \subseteq N_u$ is somewhere dense, take $\phi(t) \supseteq u$ such that $f(N_{\iota(t)})$ is dense in $N_{\phi(t)}$. Find $\iota(t \smallfrown \langle r \rangle)$ using that $f(N_{\iota(t)}) \cap N_{\phi(t) \smallfrown \langle r \rangle} \neq \emptyset$ and the continuity of f .

□

Example: the asymmetric κ -Baire property

Example (continued)

$ABP_{\kappa}(\text{Club}_{\kappa})$ holds, but $CCP_{\kappa}^{\text{Borel}_{\kappa}}(\text{Club}_{\kappa}, \mathcal{F})$ fails: If Club_{κ} contained an $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}$ -positive κ -Borel subset, then it would be κ -comeager in some open set since κ -Borel sets have the κ -Baire property.

This shows that $CCP_{\kappa}(X, \mathcal{F}')$ does not always imply $CCP_{\kappa}^{\Pi_2^0}(X, \mathcal{F}')$ or even $CCP_{\kappa}^{\text{Borel}_{\kappa}}(X, \mathcal{F}')$.

Kechris introduced a general class of games of length ω which encompasses many of the classical games characterizing dichotomies for subsets of ${}^\omega\omega$. We consider the versions of length κ for subsets of the κ -Baire space.

Aim: Obtain their determinacy from CCP.

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Theorem (Kovachev)

- **I** wins $G_{\kappa}^*(X) \iff X$ has a κ -perfect subset.
- **II** wins $G_{\kappa}^*(X) \iff |X| \leq \kappa$.

Hence $G_{\kappa}^*(X)$ is determined $\iff \text{PSP}_{\kappa}(X)$ holds.

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S is **nontrivial** if for all $i \in d$, there exists $r \in R$ such that $t(0) \neq i$ for all $t \in S(r)$.

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Example: the Hurewicz dichotomy

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Example

Let $R := \kappa$ and $S(r) := \{t \in <^\kappa \kappa \mid t(0) \geq r\}$. Then $G_\kappa^S(X)$ is equivalent to the κ -superperfect set game, so its determinacy is equivalent to the following variant of the Hurewicz dichotomy:

$\text{HD}_\kappa(X)$: Either $X \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} [T_\alpha]$ for $<^\kappa$ -splitting trees T_α or X contains a κ -superperfect subset (i.e., $[T] \subseteq X$ for a cofinally κ -splitting $<^\kappa$ -closed tree T .)

Theorem (Slicht, Sz)

$\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ implies that $G_\kappa^S(X)$ is determined for all nonempty sets R of size $\leq \kappa$ and all nontrivial $S : R \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(<^\kappa d)$.

Proof sketch.

$A \subseteq <^\kappa d$ is called S -dense above $t \in {}^\kappa d$ if $(\forall r \in R)(\exists s \in S(r))t \frown s \in A$.

A is S -nowhere dense if it is not S -dense above any $t \in {}^\kappa d$.

$\mathcal{F}_S := \{[T] : T \text{ is an } S\text{-nowhere dense subtree of } <^\kappa d\}$.

Members of $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}_S}$ are called (κ, S) -meager.

CCP and Kechris's games

Lemma

X is (κ, S) -meager \iff **II** has a winning strategy in $G_\kappa^S(X)$.

Proof.

\Rightarrow : Suppose $X \subseteq \bigcup_{i < \kappa} T_i$ where each T_i is S -nowhere dense. The strategy of **II** is to play r_i in each round $i < \kappa$ in such a way that **I** is forced to avoid T_i in all further rounds. This is possible since T_i is S -nowhere dense.

\Rightarrow : Fix a winning strategy σ for **II** and let Run_σ denote the set of those positions $p := \langle t_\beta, r_\beta : \beta < \alpha \rangle$ which follow σ . A position $p \in Run_\sigma$ is **good** for $x \in X$ if $(\bigoplus_{\beta < \alpha} t_\beta) \frown s \subseteq x$ for some $s \in S(r_\alpha)$.

$$X_p := \{x \in X : p \text{ is maximal good for } x\}.$$

Then $X = \bigcup_{p \in Run_\sigma} X_p$ and each $T(X_p)$ is S -nowhere dense. □

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A strict order preserving map $\phi : {}^{<\kappa}R \rightarrow {}^{<\kappa}d$ is *S-dense* if $\{\phi(t \smallfrown \langle r \rangle) : r \in R\}$ is *S-dense* above $\phi(t)$ for all $t \in {}^{<\kappa}R$.

Lemma

The following are equivalent:

- 1 **I** has a winning strategy in $G_{\kappa}^S(X)$.
- 2 There exists an *S-dense* strict order preserving map $\phi : {}^{<\kappa}R \rightarrow {}^{<\kappa}d$ with $\text{ran}([\phi]) \subseteq X$,
- 3 There exists a continuous map $f : {}^{\kappa}R \rightarrow X$ with $f(N_t) \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ for all $t \in {}^{<\kappa}\kappa$.

Hence $\text{CCP}_{\kappa}(X, \mathcal{F}_S) \iff (G_{\kappa}^S(X) \text{ is determined}).$



Proof of the Lemma. (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) and (2) \Rightarrow (3) are clear.

(1) \Leftrightarrow (2) is analogous to the corresponding lemma about ABP from CCP:

Construct strict order preserving maps $\phi : {}^{<\kappa}R \rightarrow {}^{<\kappa}d$ and $\iota : {}^{<\kappa}R \rightarrow {}^{<\kappa}R$ and $s_r^t \in S(r)$ for each $t \in {}^{<\kappa}R$ and $r \in R$ such that

- $\phi(t \smallfrown \langle r \rangle) \supseteq \phi(t) \smallfrown s_r^t$,
- $f(N_{\iota(t \smallfrown \langle r \rangle)}) \subseteq N_{\phi(t) \smallfrown s_r^t}$

and ι is continuous. Then ϕ will be an S -dense map since each $S(r)$ is upwards closed, so $\phi(t \smallfrown \langle r \rangle) \setminus \phi(t) \in S(r)$. Moreover, $[\phi] = f \circ [\iota]$.

The construction: If $\iota(t)$, $\phi(t)$ and s_r^v have been constructed for all $v \subsetneq t$, let

$$u := \begin{cases} \phi(v) \smallfrown s_r^v & \text{if } t = v \smallfrown \langle r \rangle, \\ \bigcup_{s \subsetneq t} \phi(s) & \text{if } \text{lh}(t) \in \text{Lim}. \end{cases}$$

Since $T(f(N_{\iota(t)}))$ is somewhere S -dense, take $\phi(t) \supseteq u$ such that $T(f(N_{\iota(t)}))$ is S -dense above $\phi(t)$. Choose $s_r^t \in S(r)$ for each $r \in R$ so that $\phi(t) \smallfrown s_r^t \in T(f(N_{\iota(t)}))$, and find $\iota(t \smallfrown \langle r \rangle)$ using the continuity of f . \square

Further applications of CCP

$\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ implies each of the following:

- The **topological Hurewicz dichotomy**: either X is covered by κ -many κ -compact sets, or X contains a closed subset of ${}^\kappa\kappa$ which is homeomorphic to ${}^\kappa\kappa$.

$\mathcal{F} := \{\kappa\text{-compact sets}\}$.

- The **Kechris-Louveau-Woodin dichotomy**: For all $Y \subseteq {}^\kappa\kappa \setminus X$, either there is a Σ_2^0 set separating X from Y , or $X \cup Y$ contains a closed subset C which is homeomorphic to ${}^\kappa 2$ such that $C \cap Y$ is a dense subset of C of size κ .

$\mathcal{F} := \{\text{closed sets which are disjoint from } Y\}$.

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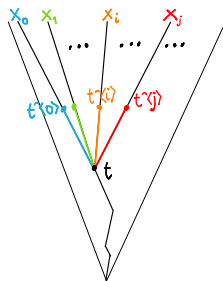
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Aim: $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ is equivalent to a generalization of the open graph dichotomy for infinite dimensional directed dihypergraphs.

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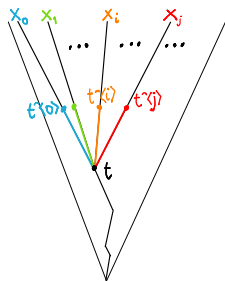
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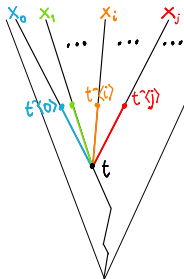


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Theorem (Schlicht, Sz 2023)

After a Lévy collapse of λ to κ^+ , the following hold for all definable subsets X of ${}^{\kappa}\kappa$:

- $\text{ODD}_{\kappa}^{\kappa}(X)$ if λ is Mahlo.
- $\text{ODD}_{\kappa}^{\kappa}(X, \text{Def}_{\kappa})$ if λ is inaccessible.

Theorem (Schlicht, Sz)

For any $X \subseteq {}^\kappa \kappa$:

- $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X) \iff \text{ODD}_\kappa^\kappa(X)$.
- $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X, \text{Def}_\kappa) \iff \text{ODD}_\kappa^\kappa(X, \text{Def}_\kappa)$.

Hence $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ holds for all definable sets X after a Lévy-collapse of a Mahlo cardinal, and an inaccessible suffices for $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X, \text{Def}_\kappa)$.

Proof sketch.

Lemma

Suppose H is a box-open κ -dihypergraph on X . Let \mathcal{F} be the family of all closed H -independent subsets of ${}^{\kappa}\kappa$.

- 1 $Y \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}} \iff H \upharpoonright Y$ has a κ -coloring, for all $Y \subseteq X$.
- 2 The existence of the following objects is equivalent:
 - a continuous homomorphism from $\mathbb{H}_{\kappa\kappa}$ to H ,
 - a continuous map $f : {}^{\kappa}\kappa \rightarrow X$ with $f(N_t) \notin \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}$ for all $t \in <{}^{\kappa}\kappa$.

Hence $\text{CCP}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}(X) \iff \text{ODD}_{\kappa}^{H \upharpoonright X}$.

Proof of (2) in the Lemma.

↓: Suppose $f : {}^\kappa\kappa \rightarrow X$ is a continuous homomorphism from $\mathbb{H}^{\kappa\kappa}$ to X .

Claim. $f(N_t) \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ for all $t \in <^\kappa\kappa$.

Proof. Suppose $f(N_t) \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} X_\alpha$ where each $X_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$. Construct a continuous increasing sequence $\langle t_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa \rangle$ such that $t_0 = t$ and for each $\alpha < \kappa$,

- $t_{\alpha+1}$ is an immediate successor of t_α
- $f(N_{t_{\alpha+1}}) \cap X_\alpha = \emptyset$.

This is possible since otherwise, there exists x_i in $f(N_{t_\alpha \smallfrown \langle i \rangle}) \cap X_\alpha$ for each $i < \kappa$. Since f is a homomorphism, $\langle x_i : i < \kappa \rangle \in H \upharpoonright X_\alpha$. So $X_\alpha \notin \mathcal{F}$. \square

Proof of (2) in the Lemma.

↑: Suppose $f : {}^\kappa\kappa \rightarrow X$ is continuous with $f(N_t) \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ for all $t \in <{}^\kappa\kappa$. Construct continuous strict order preserving maps $\phi, \iota : <{}^\kappa\kappa \rightarrow <{}^\kappa\kappa$ such that for all $t \in <{}^\kappa\kappa$,

- $\prod_{i < \kappa} N_{\phi(t \smallfrown \langle i \rangle)} \cap X \subseteq H$,
- $f(N_{\iota(t)}) \subseteq N_{\phi(t)}$.

Then $[\phi] = f \smallfrown [\iota]$ will be a continuous homomorphism from \mathbb{H}_{κ_d} to H . □

Form ODD to CCP

Let \mathcal{F} be a family of closed subsets of ${}^\kappa\kappa$. We may assume $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}} \cap \mathbf{\Pi}_1^0 = \mathcal{F}$.

Let H consist of all κ -sequences $\langle x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa \rangle \in {}^\kappa\kappa$ with $\overline{\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}} \notin \mathcal{F}$.

Lemma

A closed subset C of ${}^\kappa\kappa$ is H -independent if and only if $C \in \mathcal{F}$.

Proof. \Rightarrow : Take a κ -sequence $\langle x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa \rangle \in {}^\kappa\kappa$ whose range is dense in C . Then $C = \overline{\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}}$ is not in \mathcal{F} , so it is $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}$ -positive.

\Leftarrow : If $H \upharpoonright C$ has a hyperedge $\langle x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa \rangle \in {}^\kappa\kappa$ then $C \notin \mathcal{F}$ since C is a superset of the $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}$ -positive set $\overline{\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}}$. □

Hence $\text{CCP}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}(X) \iff \text{ODD}_{\kappa}^{H \upharpoonright X}$ by the previous slide. □

Open questions

Question

What is the consistency strength of $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ for all definable subsets $X \subseteq {}^\kappa\kappa$?

It is at least an inaccessible cardinal. A Mahlo cardinal is needed for the proof.

Question

Is $\text{CCP}_\kappa(X)$ equivalent to $\text{CCP}_\kappa^{\mathbf{C}}(X)$ for $\mathbf{C} = \Sigma_1^1$ or $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}_\kappa$ when $\kappa > \omega$?

In the countable setting, DiPrisco and Todorčević have obtained some further applications of CCP, such as:

- $\text{CCP}_\omega(X)$ implies the **Transitive Coloring Axiom** in dimensions $n < \omega$: any open reflexive transitive n -hypergraph on X has either a countable coloring or a **perfect complete subgraph**.
- For every non-atomic **P -ideal** \mathcal{I} on ω , $\text{CCP}_\omega(\mathcal{I})$ implies that there is a monotonic map from \mathcal{I} into a cofinal subset of ${}^\omega\omega$ ordered by *everywhere* dominance.

Can these be lifted to the uncountable setting?

Thank you!