

SATZ. Für Ultrafilter $\mathcal{U} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ sind die folgenden Aussagen äquivalent:

- (a) \mathcal{U} ist Ramsey.
- (b) Für jede absteigende Folge $y_0 \supseteq y_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq y_n \supseteq \dots$ von Mengen aus \mathcal{U} existiert eine Funktion $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ so dass $f[\omega] \in \mathcal{U}$, $f(0) \in y_0$, und für alle $k \in \omega$ gilt $f(k+1) \in y_{f(k)}$.
- (c) Ist $\{u_n : n \in \omega\}$ eine Partition von ω , so gilt entweder $u_{n_0} \in \mathcal{U}$ für ein $n_0 \in \omega$, oder es existiert ein $x \in \mathcal{U}$, so dass für alle $n \in \omega$ gilt $|x \cap u_n| \leq 1$.
- (d) \mathcal{U} ist sowohl ein P-point wie auch ein Q-point.

Proof. (c) \Rightarrow (b) If $y = \bigcap_{n \in \omega} y_n \in \mathcal{U}$, then the function $f_y \in {}^\omega\omega$ has the required properties. So, let us assume that $\bigcap_{n \in \omega} y_n \notin \mathcal{U}$ and without loss of generality let us further assume that for all $n \in \omega$, $y_n \setminus y_{n+1} \neq \emptyset$. Consider the partition $\{y_0^c \cup \bigcap_{n \in \omega} y_n\} \cup \{y_n \setminus y_{n+1} : n \in \omega\}$ and notice that none of the pieces are in \mathcal{U} . By (b), there exists a set $x = \{a_n : n \in \omega\} \in \mathcal{U}$ such that for all $n \in \omega$, $x \cap (y_n \setminus y_{n+1}) = \{a_n\}$, in particular, $x \cap \bigcap_{n \in \omega} y_n = \emptyset$. Let $g \in {}^\omega\omega$ be a strictly increasing function such that $g(0) > 0$, $g[\omega] \subseteq x$, and for all $n \in \omega$, $x \setminus g(n) \subseteq y_n$. For $k \in \omega$ let $g^{k+1}(0) := g(g^k(0))$, where $g^0(0) := 0$. Now, since \mathcal{U} is an ultrafilter, either

$$u_0 = \bigcup_{k \in \omega} [g^{2k}(0), g^{2k+1}(0)) \quad \text{or} \quad u_1 = \omega \setminus u_0$$

belongs to \mathcal{U} —recall that $[a, b] = \{i \in \omega : a \leq i < b\}$. Without loss of generality we may assume that $u_0 \in \mathcal{U}$, and consequently $x \cap u_0 \in \mathcal{U}$. By (b) and since \mathcal{U} is an ultrafilter, there exists a set $z = \{c_k : k \in \omega\} \subseteq x$ such that $z \in \mathcal{U}$ and for all $k \in \omega$,

$$z \cap [g^{2k}(0), g^{2k+1}(0)) = \{c_k\}.$$

By construction, for each $k \in \omega$ we have $c_{k+1} > g(c_k)$. To see this, notice that

$$c_{k+1} \in [g^{2k+2}(0), g^{2k+3}(0))$$

which implies $c_{k+1} \geq g^{2k+2}(0)$. On the other hand,

$$c_k \in [g^{2k}(0), g^{2k+1}(0))$$

which implies $g^{2k+1}(0) > c_k$, and because g is strictly increasing, we get $g^{2k+2}(0) > g(c_k)$; hence, $c_{k+1} > g(c_k)$. Finally, by the definition of g we have $x \setminus g(c_k) \subseteq y_{c_k}$, and since $c_{k+1} > g(c_k)$ and $c_{k+1} \in x$, for all $k \in \omega$ we have:

$$c_{k+1} \in y_{c_k}$$

Thus, if we define the function $f \in {}^\omega\omega$ by stipulating $f(k) := c_k$, then f has the required properties. \dashv