Discrete Mathematics Seminar

Illinois State University

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On regular set systems containing regular subsystems

Let X,Y be finite sets, $r,s,h,\lambda\in\mathbb{N}$ with $s\geq r,\,X\subset Y$. By $\lambda\binom{X}{h}$ we mean the collection of all h-subsets of X where each subset occurs λ times. A coloring of $\lambda\binom{X}{h}$ is r-regular if in every color class each element of X occurs r times. A one-regular color class is a perfect matching. We are interested in the necessary and sufficient conditions under which an r-regular coloring of $\lambda\binom{X}{h}$ can be embedded into an s-regular coloring of $\lambda\binom{Y}{h}$ and nearly settle the case h=4.

