
Zbl 577.05007**Brown, T.C.; Erdős, Paul; Chung, F.R.K.; Graham, Ronald L.***Quantitative forms of a theorem of Hilbert.* (In English)**J. Comb. Theory, Ser. A 38, 210-216 (1985). [0097-3165]**

For positive integers m , a and a_k , $1 \leq k \leq m$ define an m -cube Q_m to be the set $\{a + \sum_{k=1}^m \epsilon_k a_k : \epsilon_k = 0 \text{ or } 1, 1 \leq k \leq m\}$. Hilbert proved that for any positive integers m and r there exists a least integer $h(m, r)$ such that if the set $\{1, 2, \dots, h(m, r)\}$ is arbitrarily partitioned into r classes C_k , $1 \leq k \leq r$, some C_i must contain an m -cube. Schur proved that for any r , there is an $s(r)$ so that in any partition of $\{1, 2, \dots, s(r)\}$ into r classes some class contains a projective 2-cube $Q_2^*(a, a_1, a_2) - \{0\}$ with $a = 0$. This was extended by Rado for projective m -cubes and further extended by Hindman to infinite projective cubes i.e. for $\{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_k a_k : \epsilon_k = 0 \text{ or } 1 \text{ with } 0 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_k < \infty\}$.

In this article the authors have investigated the function $h(m, r)$ and several related ones. For the first interesting case $m = 2$ it is proved that $H(2, r) = (1 + o(1))r^2$. This result is closely related to Ramsey numbers for 4-cycles. Bounds are also obtained for deleted 2-cubes.

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