# Complexity of some orbit equivalence relations induced by homeomorphism groups 

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2) apply to objects in Topological Dynamics and Continuum Theory.

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There exists a natural mapping
$f: X=\{$ 2-dimensional compact orientable manifolds $\} \rightarrow Y=\{0,1, \ldots\}$ such that

- homeomorphic manifolds are mapped to equal numbers,
- non-homeomorphic manifolds are mapped to distinct numbers.


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We say that $E$ is Borel reducible to $F,\left(E \leq_{B} F\right)$, if there is a Borel measurable reduction from $E$ to $F$.
We say that $E$ is Borel bireducible with $F,\left(E \sim_{B} F\right)$, if $E \leq_{B} F$ and $F \leq{ }_{B} E$.

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- $f$ Borel?!


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- usually, there are more natural coding for essentially the same thing
- all known natural coding of the same thing turned out to be equivalent (with respect to $\sim_{B}$ )


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- denote by $E_{G}$ any such $E_{G}^{X}$ (unique up to $\sim_{B}$ )
- (Uspenskii) there is a universal Polish group $G_{\infty}$.
- Every orbit ER can be Borel reduced to $E_{G_{\infty}}$ (this follows by Hjorth-Mackey: extensions of group actions)
- We consider these groups $G_{\infty}, S_{\infty}, F_{2}\left(F_{\infty}\right)$


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- universal countable $\mathrm{ER}=F_{2}$-universal orbit ER : $E_{F_{2}}$
- the most complex Borel ER with countable orbits (Feldman-Moore)
- isometry ER of Heine-Borel complete metric spaces

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a) Conjugacy action

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\mathcal{H}(X) \curvearrowright C(X), \quad h \cdot f=h^{-1} \circ f \circ h
$$

b) 'Shift' (ambient homeomorphism) action

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## Classification results up to conjugacy

Theorem (Hjorth, 2000)

- Conjugacy $E R$ of invertible interval $D S \sim_{B} E_{S_{\infty}}$.
- Conjugacy $E R$ of invertible $D S$ on $[0,1]^{2}$ is $N O T \leq_{B} E_{S_{\infty}}$.


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2001 Camerlo-Gao: Conjugacy ER of (invertible) Cantor set DS
$\sim_{B} E_{S_{\infty}}$
2009 Clemens: Conjugacy of subshifts $\sim_{B} E_{F_{2}}$
2017 Kaya: Conjugacy ER of pointed invertible minimal Cantor DS
$\sim_{B} E_{=+}$
2017 Kaya: $E_{=+} \leq_{B}$ conjugacy of invertible minimal Cantor DS 2019 Kwietniak: Conjugacy $E R$ of shifts with specification is $\sim_{B} E_{F_{2}}$

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## Proof.

$\geq_{B}$ : Hjorth (even for homeos)
$\leq_{B}$ : tent map example

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- $C_{f}$ is countable, it is determined only by the dynamics of $f$.
- The closure of $C_{f}$ captures interesting dynamics of $f$.
- $D_{f} \ldots$ a countable invariant dense subset of $[0,1] \backslash \mathrm{CI}\left(C_{f}\right)$.
- $\left.\varphi: f \mapsto\left(C_{f} \cup D_{f},<\upharpoonright c_{f} \cup D_{f}, f \upharpoonright C_{f} \cup D_{f}\right)\right)$ is a reduction.
- Isomorphism ER of countable structures $\leq_{B} E_{S_{\infty}}$.


## Hjorth's conjecture

Every ER which is induced by a continuous action of the group $\mathcal{H}([0,1])$ is Borel reducible to $E_{S_{\infty}}$, i.e.

$$
E_{\mathcal{H}([0,1])} \sim_{B} E_{S_{\infty}} .
$$

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## Theorem (Bruin, V., 2019)

Conjugacy $E R$ of Hilbert cube $D S \sim_{B} E_{G_{\infty}}$.

## Proof.

- $\leq_{B}$ : by Rosendal, Zielinski 2018
- $\geq_{B}$ : Lemma: Let $K$ be compact. Then there is a compactification of $\mathbb{N}$ with remainder $K$. Every homeo of $K$ can be extended to a homeo of the whole compactification.


## Homeomorphism ER

'Shift' action $\mathcal{H}(X) \curvearrowright \mathcal{K}(X), \quad h \cdot K=h(K)$
The corresponding orbit equivalence relation is ambient homeomorphism.

## Theorem (Kechris, Solecki)

Homeo $E R$ on compacta $\leq_{B}$ orbit $E R$.

## Proof.

- $Q:=[0,1]^{\mathbb{N}}$
- $Z:=\left\{x \in Q: x_{1}=0\right\}$.
- $Z$ is so called Z-set in $Q$, thus for every compact $K, L \subseteq Z$, every homeo $h: K \rightarrow L$, can be extended to a homeo of $Q$
- id : $\mathcal{K}(Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(Q)$ is the desired reduction.


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## Theorem

2016 Zielinski: Homeo $E R$ on compacta $\sim_{B} E_{G_{\infty}}$
2017 Chang, Gao: Homeo $E R$ on continua $\sim_{B} E_{G_{\infty}}$
2018 Cieśla: Homeo $E R$ on LC continua $\sim_{B} E_{G_{\infty}}$
2018 Krupski, V.: Homeo $E R$ on $A R \sim_{B} E_{G_{\infty}}$

## Some methods

## Theorem (Krupski, V.)

Homeo $E R$ on compacta $\leq_{B}$ homeo $E R$ on $A R$.

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- $f: \mathcal{K}(Q) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(Q \times[0,1] \times[0,1])$


## Low-dimensional topological classes

## Definition

- 0-dimensional compacta
= closed subspaces of the Cantor set
- dendrites
= 1-dimensional AR
- rim-finite (RF) continua
$=$ have a base with finite boundaries
- rim-finite compacta
- $\operatorname{AR}\left(\mathbb{R}^{2}\right)=$ embeddable in the plane
a dendrite
a rim-finite continuum




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2018 Krupski, V.: rim-finite compacta $\not \chi_{B} E_{S_{\infty}}$ (Hjorth: turbulence)
rim-finite cases:

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A $C^{*}$-algebra $P \in \mathcal{M}$ is projective in class $\mathcal{M}$ if for every $B \in \mathcal{M}$, every quotient morphism $\pi: B \rightarrow B / J$ and $f: P \rightarrow B / J$ there is a morphism $\bar{f}: P \rightarrow B$ such that $f=\pi \bar{f}$.

- $X$ is $\mathrm{AR} \Longleftrightarrow C(X, \mathbb{C})$ is projective in the class of commutative unital $C^{*}$-algebras (follows simply by the Gelfand duality)
- $X$ is a dendrite $\Longleftrightarrow C(X, \mathbb{C})$ is projective in the class of unital C*-algebras (Chigogidze, Dranishnikov 2010)


## Questions

What is the exact complexity of conjugacy ER of

- triangular maps?
- transitive interval DS?
- minimal Cantor DS? ...


## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

