# Making the Infinite Finite: Polymorphisms on Ramsey structures

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#### **Outline**

#### Part I

The global picture

#### ■ Part II

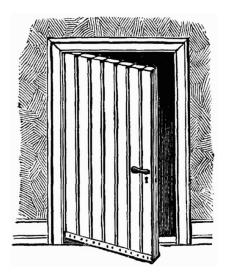
Infinite template CSPs are natural Homogeneous structures

#### ■ Part III

Infinite polymorphisms  $\rightarrow$  finite polymorphisms Ramsey theory

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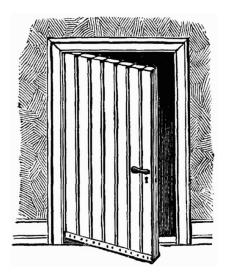
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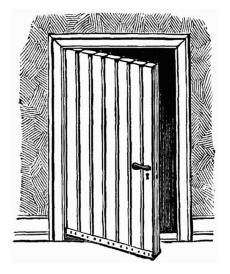




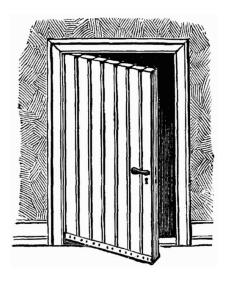
"I liked the doors ... I do not know what they mean, and they confused me, but they look nice."







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- the dichotomy conjecture

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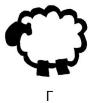


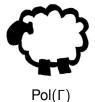
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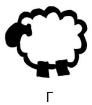
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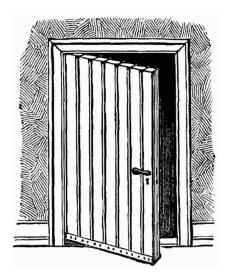
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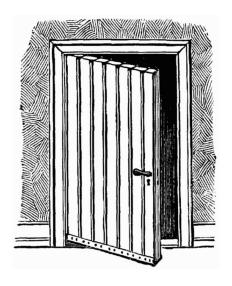
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(We pass on to the next part.)

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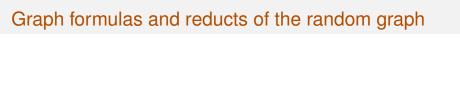
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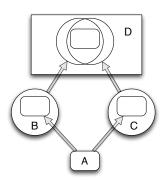
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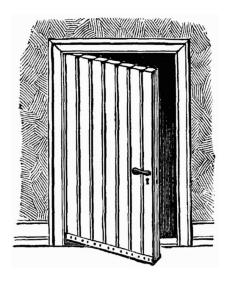
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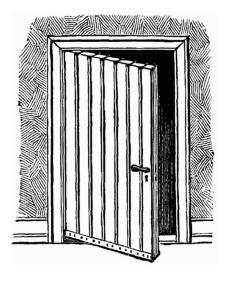
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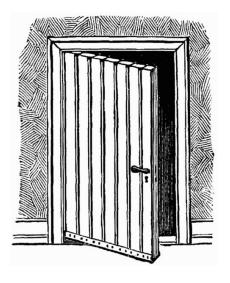
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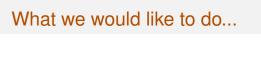
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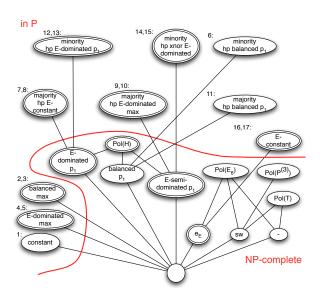
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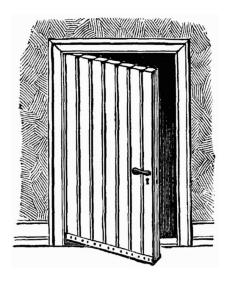
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Abstract cloning  $\rightarrow$  Manuel's talk





