Uniformization results and Feldman-Moore Theorem in generalized descriptive set theory

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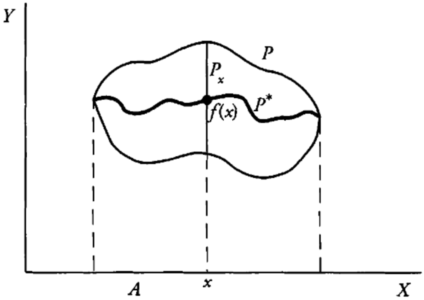
Uniformization theorems

Given $P \subseteq X \times Y$, a **uniformization** of P is a subset $P^* \subseteq P$ such that for all $x \in X$

$$\exists y\, P(x,y) \iff \exists! y\, P^*(x,y).$$

Equivalently, P^* is the graph of a function f (called **uniformizing function**) with domain $\mathrm{proj}_X(P)$ such that $f(x) \in P_x$ for every $x \in A$.



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The importance of this theorem in descriptive set theory cannot be underestimated!

[Study of CBERs, Borel combinatorics, definable paradoxical decompositions, ...]

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Weiss' conjecture

Any Borel action of a countable amenable group on a standard Borel space induces a hyperfinite CBER.

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We first consider the second option and look at λ-Borel sets with countable vertical sections, or with compact vertical sections.

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Generalized Feldman-Moore Theorem

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