RAMSEY GOODNESS OF BOUNDED DEGREE TREES

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Theorem (B., Pokrovskiy, Sudakov 2016): The above theorem holds for $n_0 = \Omega(|H| \log^4 |H|)$.

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(this is where the pesky \log^4 comes from)



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What Else?				

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