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Simonovits** and **J. Skokan**. *The Ramsey number for hypergraph cycles I.*

Let \mathcal{C}_t denote the 3-uniform hypergraph *loose cycle*, that is the hypergraph with vertices v_1, \dots, v_t and edges $v_1v_2v_3, v_3v_4v_5, v_5v_6v_7, \dots, v_{t-1}v_tv_1$. The *Ramsey number* for \mathcal{C}_t is the smallest N such that every red-blue colouring of the edges of the complete 3-uniform hypergraph with N vertices contains a monochromatic copy of \mathcal{C}_t . We prove that the Ramsey number for \mathcal{C}_t is asymptotically equal to $5t/4$. (Received August 30, 2004)