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998-05-346            **Hortensia Galeana-Sánchez\*** (hgaleana@math.unam.mx). *Kernels by monochromatic paths in tournaments and bipartite tournaments.*

We call the digraph  $D$  an  $m$ -coloured digraph if the arcs of  $D$  are coloured with  $m$  colours.

A set  $N \subseteq V(D)$  is said to be a kernel monochromatic paths if it satisfies the following two conditions:

- (i) for every pair of different vertices  $u, v \in N$  there is no monochromatic directed path between them and;
- (ii) for every vertex  $x \in (V(D) - N)$  there is a vertex  $y \in N$  such that there is an  $x, y$ -monochromatic directed path.

In this talk we survey sufficient conditions for an  $m$ -coloured tournament (or bipartite tournament) to have a kernel by monochromatic paths. (Received March 02, 2004)