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**Rumen D. Dimitrov** ([rumen@gwu.edu](mailto:rumen@gwu.edu)), Department of Mathematics, The George Washington University, Washington, DC 20052. *Prescribed Degree Lattice Embedding into  $\mathcal{L}^*(V_\infty)$ .*

Every finite distributive lattice can be embedded as a principal filter in  $\mathcal{L}^*(V_\infty)$ . Nerode and Smith used this result to show the undecidability of the theory of  $\mathcal{L}^*(V_\infty)$ . We study the relationship between  $\mathcal{L}^*(V_\infty)$  and the upper semilattice of c.e. degrees by incorporating a prescribed degree structure into a principal filter of  $\mathcal{L}^*(V_\infty)$ .

Let  $\langle T, 0 \rangle$  be a finite upgrowing tree of c.e. degrees and  $\langle T1, 1 \rangle$  be a downgrowing tree reverse isomorphic to  $\langle T, 0 \rangle$ . Let  $\langle L, 0, 1 \rangle$  be a finite distributive lattice with a substructure of meet irreducible elements isomorphic to  $\langle T1, 1 \rangle$ . We show that  $\langle L, 0, 1 \rangle$  is embeddable in a principal filter ( $V$ ) of  $\mathcal{L}^*(V_\infty)$  preserving the least and biggest elements. This embedding maps the meet irreducible elements of  $\langle L, 0, 1 \rangle$  into spaces of degrees and dependence degrees corresponding to the structure  $\langle T, 0 \rangle$  of c.e. degrees.

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