

DEGREES OF NONRECURSIVE PRESENTABILITY

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ABSTRACT. We prove that every $0'$ -recursive binary relation of natural numbers is isomorphic to a recursive relation restricted to a co-r.e. subset of its domain. We use this result to define and discuss "degrees of nonrecursive presentability."

1. Introduction. We assume that the reader is familiar with the notation and terminology of [6]. A denumerable structure is said to be *recursive* (X -recursive, r.e., Π_1^0 , tt -reducible to X , etc.) if and only if its universe is a recursive (X -recursive, r.e., Π_1^0 , tt -reducible to X , etc.) subset of the natural numbers, and its relations and operations¹ are recursive (X -recursive, r.e., Π_1^0 , tt -reducible to X , etc.). Let \mathcal{K} be a class of structures. One might wish to discuss the Turing (tt , many-one) degrees of those members of \mathcal{K} which have no recursive isomorph. It turns out that such a discussion, for the cases \mathcal{K} = linear orderings, and \mathcal{K} = Boolean algebras, respectively, leads to a solution of two homogeneity problems; namely it shows that there is no jump-preserving isomorphism from $\{\text{Turing degrees } \geq 0^{(6)}\}$ to $\{\text{Turing degrees}\}$, and there is no isomorphism from the lattice of ϕ' -r.e. sets to the lattice of r.e. sets. (See [1] and [2].)

In this paper, we prove some results for the general case. Toward this end, we define the following partial orderings on 2^N . If \mathcal{K} is a class of denumerable structures of a given finite similarity type, and if $X, Y \subseteq N$, then we write $X \leq_{\approx_T(\mathcal{K})} Y$, ($X \leq_{\approx_{tt}(\mathcal{K})} Y$, $X \leq_{\approx_m(\mathcal{K})} Y$) if and only if every X -recursive (tt -reducible to X , many-one reducible to X) member of \mathcal{K} has a Y -recursive (tt -reducible to Y , many-one reducible to Y) isomorph. In this paper, we show that, for any class \mathcal{K} , as defined above,

- (i) $\leq_{tt} \subseteq \leq_{\approx_{tt}(\mathcal{K})}$,
- (ii) $\leq_m \subseteq \leq_{\approx_m(\mathcal{K})}$; and, for \mathcal{K} = denumerable groups, denumerable fields, permutations of N , denumerable binary relations,
- (iii) $\leq_{\approx_T(\mathcal{K})} = \leq_T$.

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¹ If $f: N^2 \rightarrow N$ is a function, we say that f is, for example, Π_1^0 if and only if $\{\langle x, y, z \rangle \mid z = f(x, y)\}$ is Π_1^0 .

We actually prove the results for the case $\mathcal{K} = \{\text{denumerable binary relations}\}$ but the proofs easily generalize.

Notation. Let \mathbf{B} be the theory of one binary relation. Let

$$\leq_{\approx T} (\leq_{\approx tt}, \leq_{\approx m}) \text{ be } \leq_{\approx T}(\mathcal{K}) (\leq_{\approx tt}(\mathcal{K}), \leq_{\approx m}(\mathcal{K})),$$

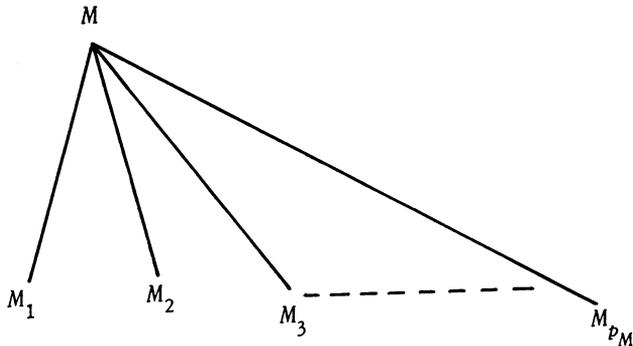
where $\mathcal{K} = \{\text{denumerable models of } \mathbf{B}\}$.

2. A universal binary relation. Let R be a binary relation and B be a subset of the universe of R . Then $R \upharpoonright B$ will denote the restriction of R to B . If $M = \{A, R\}$ is a model of \mathbf{B} and $B \subseteq A$, then $M \upharpoonright B = \{B, R \upharpoonright B\}$. If $\{M_\mu\}_{\mu \in I} = \{A_\mu, R_\mu\}_{\mu \in I}$ is a collection of models of \mathbf{B} , then

$$\bigcup_{\mu} M_{\mu} = \left\{ \bigcup_{\mu} A_{\mu}, \bigcup_{\mu} R_{\mu} \right\}.$$

If $M_1 = M_2 \upharpoonright A$, for some set A , then we write $M_1 \subseteq M_2$. If $M \subseteq M_1$, and $M \subseteq M_2$, then $M_1 \cong_M M_2$ means that there is an isomorphism from M_1 to M_2 which is the identity on the universe of M .

We now define a tree, \mathcal{T} , each of whose vertices is a finite model of \mathbf{B} and whose branches are linearly ordered by \subseteq . The initial vertex of \mathcal{T} is the empty model. If M is a vertex of \mathcal{T} then we have the following situation:



where M_1, \dots, M_{p_M} are all the one element extensions of M . (Where two one-element extensions M' and M'' of M are identified if and only if $M' \cong_M M''$.)

Let $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{M \in \mathcal{T}} M$.

THEOREM 2.1. *Every denumerable model of \mathbf{B} is embeddable in \mathcal{U} .*

PROOF. Let $M = \{\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}, R\}$ be a denumerable model of \mathbf{B} . Let $M_n = M \upharpoonright \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$. The sequence $\{M_1, M_2, M_3, \dots\}$ corresponds,

in an obvious fashion, to a branch, β , of \mathcal{T} . It is easily seen that M is isomorphic to $\bigcup_{M \in \beta} M \subseteq \mathcal{U}$. \square

It is clear that, despite its highly nonconstructive definition, $\mathcal{U} \cong \{N, R_{\mathcal{U}}\}$ where $R_{\mathcal{U}}$ is recursive, and, where $\{N, R_{\mathcal{U}}\}$ is “constructively universal” in the following sense.

COROLLARY 2.2. *If $X \subseteq N$, then any X -recursive model of B is X -recursively embeddable in $\{N, R_{\mathcal{U}}\}$.*

$$3. \leq \approx_{tt}$$

LEMMA 3.1. *Any Σ_2^0 subset of N can be expressed in the form*

$$\{n \mid (\exists! x)(\forall y)Q(x, y, n)\}$$

where $Q(x, y, n)$ is recursive.

PROOF. Straightforward.

THEOREM 3.2. *Any ϕ' -recursive model² of B is isomorphic to a Π_1^0 model.³*

PROOF. Let $M = \{A, R\}$ be a ϕ' -recursive model of B .

Let $f: M \rightarrow \{N, R_{\mathcal{U}}\}$ be a ϕ' -recursive embedding. (f exists by 2.2.) The Range of f is Σ_2^0 , and, by 3.1, $\text{Range}(f) = \{n \mid (\exists! x)(\forall y)Q(x, y, n)\}$, where $Q(x, y, n)$ is recursive. Let $\mathcal{U}' = \{N^2, R_{\mathcal{U}'}\}$ where

$$\langle \langle s, t \rangle, \langle s', t' \rangle \rangle \in R_{\mathcal{U}'} \leftrightarrow_{\text{df.}} \langle s, s' \rangle \in R_{\mathcal{U}}.$$

Let $B \subseteq N^2$ be $\{\langle s, t \rangle \mid (\forall y)Q(t, y, s)\}$. B is Π_1^0 . Finally, if $z \in A$, let $g(z)$ be the unique $\langle s, t \rangle$ such that $s = f(z)$ and $\langle s, t \rangle \in B$. $g: M \rightarrow \{B, R_{\mathcal{U}'} \upharpoonright B\}$. Since f is 1-1, so is g . g is onto by 3.1. By the definition of $\{N^2, R_{\mathcal{U}'}\}$, g is a homomorphism. To complete the proof, we observe that

$$\{B, R_{\mathcal{U}'} \upharpoonright B\} \text{ is a } \Pi_1^0 \text{ model of } B.$$

COROLLARY 3.3. (i) $\leq \approx_{tt} \neq \leq_{tt}$, (ii) $\leq \approx_m \neq \leq_m$.

PROOF. By 3.2 and [6, 82] every ϕ' -recursive set is $\leq \approx_{tt} N - \phi'$. (i) now follows from the existence of an ϕ' -recursive set which is not tt -reducible to $N - \phi'$, [6, p. 127, Theorem I]. (ii) is proved similarly.

$$4. \leq \approx_T$$

THEOREM 4.1. *If $X, Y \subseteq N$, then $X \leq_T Y$ if and only if $X \leq \approx_T Y$.*

² X' is the jump of X , \emptyset is the empty set.

³ If we require that the universe of a Π_1^0 model be N , then this theorem is false [5]. However, it seems natural to allow the universe of a model to be a proper subset of N , so that one could, for example, say that ω_1^{Kleene} is isomorphic to a Π_1^1 linear ordering [4].

PROOF. \Rightarrow . Obvious. Suppose $X \leq_{\approx T} Y$. Let \mathcal{P} be the theory of one permutation. Let M_X be an X -recursive model of \mathcal{P} such that M_X has cycle of size $2n$ iff $n \in X$, and M_X has a cycle of size $2n+1$ iff $n \notin X$. It is easily seen that X is recursive in any isomorph of M_X . Since M_X has a Y -recursive isomorph, $X \leq_T Y$. \square

5. Concluding remarks.

REMARK 1. One can use the methods of 3.2 to show that any ϕ' -recursive linear ordering is isomorphic to a Π_1^0 subset of the rational numbers.

REMARK 2. It turns out that for \mathcal{K} =linear orderings [1], Boolean algebras [2], equivalence relations [3], rings, groups, fields ϕ' non- $\leq_{\approx T}(\mathcal{K})\phi$. The only general result we have been able to obtain along these lines is the following:

HIERARCHY THEOREM. *If \mathcal{K} is an arithmetically axiomatizable class of models, and if there is an infinite, arithmetic set, S , of sentences such that $Th(\mathcal{K}) \cup S'$ is consistent where S' contains ψ or $\neg\psi$ for each $\psi \in S$, then $(\forall n)(\phi^{(\omega)} \text{ non-} \leq_{\approx T}(\mathcal{K})\phi^{(n)})$. (Where $\phi^{(\omega)} = \{\langle x, n \rangle \mid x \in \phi^{(n)}\}$.)*

PROOF (unpublished). A diagonalization argument very similar to [2, §3] together with a Henkin procedure. \square

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