

Analytic complete equivalence relations and their degree spectra

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Classification problems for countable structures

Let \mathcal{A} be a countable structure in language L and E be an equivalence relation on structures in L .

Question 1. How complicated is $M_E(\mathcal{A}) = \{\mathcal{B} : \mathcal{B} E \mathcal{A}\}$?

Question 2. How complicated is $I_E(\mathcal{A}) = \{e : \varphi_e = D(\mathcal{B}) \wedge \mathcal{B} E \mathcal{A}\}$?

$D(\mathcal{B})$ denotes the **atomic diagram** of \mathcal{B} in the language $L = (R_i)_{i \in I}$,

$$D(\mathcal{B}) = \bigoplus_{i \in I} R_i^{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Question 3. How complicated is the relation E in a specific class of structures?

To answer questions like Question 1 and 3 we consider the following setting:

Let L be a relational language with relation symbols $(R_i/a_i)_{i \in \omega}$, then

$$\text{Mod}(L) = \prod_{i \in \omega} 2^{\omega^{a_i}}$$

is a Polish space and we can develop the Borel hierarchy $(\Sigma_\alpha^0, \Pi_\alpha^0, \Delta_\alpha^0)$, projective hierarchy $(\Sigma_\alpha^1, \Pi_\alpha^1, \Delta_\alpha^1)$ in the usual way.

Theorem (Vaught)

A set $S \subseteq \text{Mod}(L)$ is Σ_α^0 (Π_α^0) if and only if it is definable by a Σ_α^0 (Π_α^0) formula in $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$.

Definition

Let E be a binary relation on a Polish space X and F be a binary relation on a Polish space Y , then E is **reducible** to F if there is a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that for all $x_1, x_2 \in X$

$$x_1 E x_2 \Leftrightarrow f(x_1) F f(x_2).$$

E is **Borel reducible** to F , $E \leq_B F$ if f is Borel.

If $X = \text{Mod}(L_1)$ and $Y = \text{Mod}(L_2)$, then E is **computably reducible** to F $E \leq_c F$ if there is a Turing operator Φ such that $\Phi^{D(S)} = D(f(S))$ for $S \in \text{Mod}(L_1)$.

Definition

E is a **Γ -complete** relation if $E \in \Gamma$ and every relation in Γ is Borel reducible to E .

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Theorem (Friedman, Stanley '89;folklore;Hjorth '00)

Isomorphism on graphs \cong_G is

- 1. complete among isomorphism on classes of structures,*
- 2. not Borel,*
- 3. not Σ_1^1 complete.*

Degree spectra

The isomorphism spectrum of a structure, the set of Turing degrees of its isomorphic copies is one of the classic notions studied in computable structure theory.

Fokina, Semukhin, and Turetsky; Montalbán; and Yu independently suggested to study degree spectra with respect to equivalence relations.

Definition

Given an equivalence relation E on $Mod(L)$ and $\mathcal{A} \in Mod(L)$, the **degree spectrum** of \mathcal{A} w.r.t E is

$$DgSp_E(\mathcal{A}) = \{X \in 2^\omega : \exists \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{B} E \mathcal{A} \ \& \ D(\mathcal{B}) \equiv_T X)\}$$

Observation: The complexity of the equivalence relation restricts the complexity of its degree spectra.

Proposition (folklore)

If E is Π_α^0 , then for every $\mathcal{A} \in Mod(L)$ $DgSp_E(\mathcal{A})$ is $\Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0$.

Let $\mathcal{A} \equiv_n \mathcal{B} \Leftrightarrow Th_n(\mathcal{A}) = Th_n(\mathcal{B})$.

Theorem (Fokina, Semukhin, Turetsky '19)

The class $high_n = \{X : X^{(n)} \geq_T \emptyset^{(n+1)}\}$ is not a \equiv_n spectrum, but it is a \equiv_{n+1} spectrum.

Proof idea. First, show that $high_n$ is not Σ_{n+2}^0 using forcing. Notice that \equiv_n is Π_{n+1}^0 . Thus, $high_n$ can not be a \equiv_n spectrum by Proposition.

But it is possible to construct a structure \mathcal{A} such that $DgSp_{\equiv_{n+1}}(\mathcal{A}) = high_n$.

Another related and important example arises from Scott's isomorphism theorem:

Proposition (folklore)

Every isomorphism spectrum is Borel.

Fokina, R., and San Mauro '19: Bi-embeddability spectra of structures.

Bi-embeddability does not allow coding.

Theorem (Knight '86)

Let $X \subseteq \omega$. Tfae:

1. X is c.e. in every isomorphic copy of \mathcal{A} .
2. X is enumeration reducible to $\exists - tp_{\mathcal{A}}(\bar{a})$ for some $\bar{a} \in A^{<\omega}$.

Example: Slaman; Wehner '98: There is a structure \mathcal{A} with

$DgSp_{\cong}(\mathcal{A}) = \{X : X >_T \emptyset\}$.

Bouquet graph of Wehner family $\{\{n\} \oplus D : D \text{ finite \& } W_n \neq D\}$

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However, it's hard to obtain negative results.

Until now, the only examples of sets that can not be bi-embeddability spectra are sets that are not upwards closed.

Two structures \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are elementary bi-embeddable if either is isomorphic to an elementary substructure of the other.

R. '18: Elementary bi-embeddability (\cong) spectra

- Bi-embeddability spectra allow coding: If $\mathcal{A} \preceq \mathcal{B}$, then for all $\bar{a} \in A^{<\omega}$
 $\exists - tp_{\mathcal{A}}(\bar{a}) = \exists - tp_{\mathcal{B}}(\bar{a})$.
- Most examples of isomorphism spectra carry over.
- \cong -spectra, \approx -spectra, and \cong -spectra have not been separated.
- The complexity of elementary bi-embeddability and elementary embeddability seems to be poorly understood.

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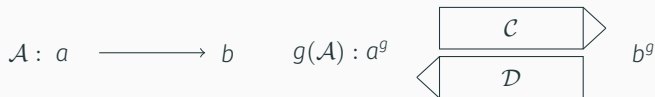
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Let \mathcal{G} be a graph, then there exists a graph $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$ such that

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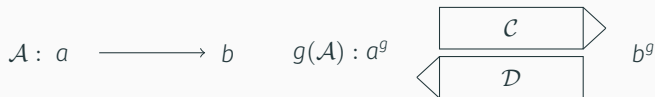
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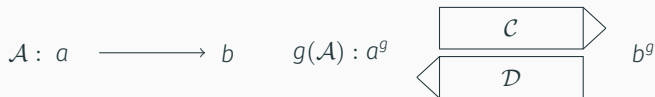


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That $\mathcal{G}_1 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{G}_2$ iff $f(\mathcal{G}_1) \preceq f(\mathcal{G}_2)$ it is sufficient that

1. $\mathcal{C} \not\equiv \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{C} \equiv \mathcal{D}$,
2. $\mathcal{C} \not\preceq \mathcal{D} \wedge \mathcal{D} \not\preceq \mathcal{C}$.

In particular, $\mathcal{G}_1 \approx \mathcal{G}_2$ iff $f(\mathcal{G}_1) \approx f(\mathcal{G}_2)$. We can code the structures $f(\mathcal{G})$ into a graph using standard codings.

For $DgSp_{\approx}(f(\mathcal{G})) = \{X : X' \in DgSp_{\approx}(\mathcal{G})\}$ it is sufficient that

1. for all $\mathcal{A} \approx \mathcal{G}$ $\mathcal{A} \geq_T f(\mathcal{A})$,
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(2)(a) is essential and non-trivial, e.g. take $\mathcal{C} = (\omega, \omega + \zeta)$, $\mathcal{D} = (\omega + \zeta, \omega)$.

Then we would get that $f(\mathcal{G})' \geq_T \hat{\mathcal{G}} \cong \mathcal{G}$ but the structure obtained if we use $\mathcal{C} = (\omega, \omega) = \mathcal{D}$ would elementary embed into $f(\mathcal{G})$.

1. $\mathcal{C} \equiv \mathcal{D}$,
- 2'. for every $\mathcal{A} \not\equiv \mathcal{C}$, $\mathcal{A} \not\leq \mathcal{C}$,
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Question (Vaught): What is the number of minimal models a theory can have?

Theorem (Fuhrken '66)

There is a theory with 2^{\aleph_0} minimal models.

Theorem (Shelah '71)

For every $\kappa \leq \aleph_0$, there is a theory with κ minimal models.

Shelah's theory

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Shelah used T and variations of T to prove his theorem. It is easy to see that

1. T has quantifier elimination,
2. the substructure $\langle \sigma \rangle$ generated by $\sigma \in 2^\omega$ is an elementary substructure of \mathcal{A} ,
3. $\langle \sigma \rangle$ is minimal,
4. if $\exists^\infty i \sigma(i) \neq \tau(i)$, then there is a Σ_2^c sentence distinguishing $\langle \sigma \rangle$ and $\langle \tau \rangle$.

$$\exists x \bigwedge_{\nu \preceq \sigma} R_\nu(x)$$

Lemma

Let X be $\Delta_2^0(Y)$ for a set Y , then there exists a sequence of structures $(C_i)_{i \in \omega}$, uniformly computable in Y , such that

$$C_i \cong \begin{cases} \langle \bar{0} \rangle & \text{if } i \in X, \\ \langle \bar{1} \rangle & \text{if } i \notin X. \end{cases}$$

We do a Marker extension with $\langle \bar{0} \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{1} \rangle$ to obtain the result that for every graph \mathcal{G} , there is a graph $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$ such that

$$DgSp_{\cong}(\hat{\mathcal{G}}) = \{X : X' \in DgSp_{\approx}(\mathcal{G})\}.$$

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Question: Let \mathfrak{F} be a \approx , \cong , or \equiv spectrum, is $\{X' : X \in \mathfrak{F}\}$?

Question: Examples of upwards closed sets of Turing degrees that are Σ_1^1 and not Borel?

Thank you!