

SUPERHIGHNESS AND STRONG JUMP TRACEABILITY

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ABSTRACT. Let A be a c.e. set. Then A is strongly jump traceable if and only if A is Turing below each superhigh Martin-Löf random set. The proof combines priority with measure theoretic arguments.

1. INTRODUCTION

A lowness property of a set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ specifies a sense in which A is computationally weak.

(I) Usually this means that A has limited strength when used as an oracle. An example is superlowness, $A' \leq_{\text{tt}} \emptyset'$. Further examples are given by traceability properties of A . Such a property specifies how to effectively approximate the values of certain functions (partial) computable in A . For instance, A is *jump traceable* [12] if $J^A(n) \downarrow$ implies $J^A(n) \in T_n$ for some uniformly c.e. sequence $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of computably bounded size. Here J is the jump functional: If $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}$, we write $J^X(n)$ for $\Phi_n^X(n)$.

(II) A further way to be computationally weak is to be easy to compute. A lowness property of this kind specifies a sense in which many oracles compute A . For instance, consider the property to be a base for ML-randomness, introduced in [8]. Here the class of oracles computing A is large enough to admit a set that is ML-random relative to A . By [6] this property coincides with the type (I) lowness property of being low for ML-randomness.

As our main result, we show a surprising further coincidence of a type (I) and a type (II) lowness property. The type (I) property is strong jump traceability, introduced in [3], and studied in depth in [1]. We say that a computable function $h: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is an *order function* if h is nondecreasing and unbounded.

Definition 1.1. $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is strongly jump traceable (s.j.t.) if for each order function h , there is a uniformly c.e. sequence $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that

- $\forall n |T_n| \leq h(n)$
- $\forall n [J^A(n) \downarrow \rightarrow J^A(n) \in T_n]$.

Figueira, Nies and Stephan [3] built a promptly simple set that is strongly jump traceable. Cholak, Downey and Greenberg [1] showed that the strongly jump traceable c.e. sets form a proper subideal of the K -trivial c.e. sets under Turing reducibility.

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We say that a set $Y \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is *superhigh* if $\emptyset'' \leq_{\text{tt}} Y'$. This notion was first studied by Mohrherr [10] for c.e. sets. For more background see [11, 7]. The type (II) property is to be Turing below each superhigh ML-random set. Thus our main result is that *a c.e. set A is strongly jump traceable $\Leftrightarrow A$ is Turing below each superhigh Martin-Löf random set.*

The property to be Turing below each superhigh ML-random set can be put into a more general context. For a class $\mathcal{H} \subseteq 2^\omega$, we define the corresponding diamond class

$$\mathcal{H}^\diamond = \{A: A \text{ is c.e.} \ \& \ \forall Y \in \mathcal{H} \cap \text{MLR} [A \leq_T Y]\}.$$

Here MLR is the class of ML-random sets. Note that \mathcal{H}^\diamond determines an ideal in the c.e. Turing degrees. By a result of Hirschfeldt and Miller (see [11, 5.3.15]), for each null Σ_3^0 class, the corresponding diamond class contains a promptly simple set A . Their proof is a non-adaptive cost-function construction. As argued in [11, Section 5.3], this means that the construction of A can be viewed as injury-free. In contrast, the direct construction of a promptly simple strongly jump traceable set in [3] is a variant of Post's construction of a low simple set, which therefore has injury.

In [4] a result similar to our main result was obtained when \mathcal{H} is the class of superlow sets Y (namely, $Y' \leq_{\text{tt}} \emptyset'$). Both results derive from earlier work of Hirschfeldt and Nies who obtained such a coincidence for the class \mathcal{H} of ω -c.e. sets Y (namely, $Y \leq_{\text{tt}} \emptyset'$).

In all cases, to show that a c.e. strongly jump traceable set A is in the required diamond class, one finds an appropriate collection of benign cost functions; this key concept was introduced by Greenberg and Nies [5]. The set A obeys each benign cost function by the main result of [5]. This implies that A is in the diamond class.

It is harder to prove the converse inclusion: each c.e. set in \mathcal{H}^\diamond is s.j.t., suppose an order function h is given. For one thing, similar to proving the analogous inclusion in [4], we use a variant of the golden run method introduced in [2, 13]. One wants to restrict the changes of A to the extent that A is strongly jump traceable. To this end, one defines a “bad set” $Z \in \mathcal{H} \cap \text{MLR}$. It exploits the changes of A in order to avoid being Turing above A . The number of levels in the golden run construction is infinite, with the e -th level based on the Turing functional Φ_e . If the golden run fails to exist at level e , then $A \neq \Phi_e^Z$. Then, as $A \in \mathcal{H}^\diamond$, the golden run must exist. Since it is golden, it successfully builds the required trace for J^A with bound h .

A further ingredient in our proof stems from ideas that started in Kurtz [9] and were elaborated further, for instance, in Nies [13, 14]: mixing priority arguments and measure theoretic arguments. In contrast, the proof in [4] is not measure theoretic. (Indeed, they prove, more generally, that for *each* non-empty Π_1^0 class P , each c.e. set Turing below every superlow member of P must be strongly jump traceable.) Here we need to make the bad set Y superhigh. This is done by coding of \emptyset'' (see [11, 3.3.2]) in the style of Kučera, but not quite into Y : the coding strings change due to the activity of the tracing procedures. Their number of changes is computably bounded. So the coding merely yields $\emptyset'' \leq_{\text{tt}} Y'$.

Notation. Suppose f is a unary function and \tilde{f} is binary. We write

$$\forall n \, f(n) = \lim_s^{\text{comp}} \tilde{f}(n, s)$$

if there is a computable function $g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all n , the set

$$\{s > 0 : \tilde{f}(n, s) \neq \tilde{f}(n, s-1)\}$$

has cardinality less than $g(n)$, and $\lim_s \tilde{f}(n, s) = f(n)$.

We let $X' = \{n : J^X(n) \downarrow\}$, and $X'_t = \{n : J_t^X(n) \downarrow\}$.

2. BENIGN COST FUNCTIONS AND Shigh^\diamond

Note that a function f is d.n.c. relative to \emptyset' if $\forall x \neg f(x) = J^{\emptyset'}(x)$. Let P be the $\Pi_1^0(\emptyset')$ class of $\{0, 1\}$ -valued functions that are d.n.c. relative to \emptyset' . By [11, 8.5.12] relative to \emptyset' , the class $\{Z : \exists f \leq_T Z \oplus \emptyset' [f \in P]\}$ is null. Then, since $\text{GL}_1 = \{Z : Z' \equiv_T Z \oplus \emptyset'\}$ is conull, the following class, suggested by Simpson,

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{H} = \{Z : \exists f \leq_{\text{tt}} Z' [f \in P]\}$$

is also null. This class clearly contains Shigh .

Since \mathcal{H} is Σ_3^0 , by a result of Hirschfeldt and Miller (see [11, 5.3.15]) the class \mathcal{H}^\diamond contains a promptly simple set. We strengthen this:

Theorem 2.1. *Let A be a c.e. set that is strongly jump traceable. Then $A \in \mathcal{H}^\diamond$.*

Proof. For each truth table reduction Γ we define a benign cost function c such that for each Δ_2^0 set A , and each ML-random set Y ,

$$A \text{ obeys } c \text{ and } \Gamma^{Y'} \text{ is } \{0, 1\}\text{-valued d.n.c. relative to } \emptyset' \Rightarrow A \leq_T Y.$$

Let (I_e) be the sequence of consecutive intervals of length e . Thus $\min I_e = e(e+1)/2$. We define a function $\alpha \leq_T \emptyset'$. We are given a partial computable function p and think of p as a reduction function for α , namely, p is total, increasing, and $\forall x \, \alpha(x) \simeq J^{\emptyset'}(p(x))$.

At stage s of the construction we define the approximations $\alpha_s(x)$. Let $\alpha_s(x) = 0$ unless $p(y)$ is defined at stage s for each $y \in I_e$. In this case, let

$$\mathcal{C}_{e,s} = \{Y : \exists t \, v \leq t \leq s \, \forall x \in I_e [1 - \alpha_t(x) = \Gamma(Y'_t, p(x))]\},$$

where $v \leq s$ is greatest such that $v = 0$ or $\alpha_v \upharpoonright I_e \neq \alpha_{v-1} \upharpoonright I_e$. (Thus, $\mathcal{C}_{e,s}$ is the set of oracles Y such that Y' computes α correctly at some stage t after the last change of $\alpha \upharpoonright I_e$.)

Construction of α .

Stage $s > 0$. For each $e < s$, if $\lambda \mathcal{C}_{e,s-1} \leq 2^{-e+1}$ let $\alpha_s \upharpoonright I_e = \alpha_{s-1} \upharpoonright I_e$. Otherwise change $\alpha \upharpoonright I_e$: define $\alpha_s \upharpoonright I_e$ in such a way that $\lambda \mathcal{C}_{e,s} \leq 2^{-e}$.

Claim. $\alpha(x) = \lim_s \alpha_s(x)$ exists for each x .

We use a measure theoretic fact suggested by Hirschfeldt in a related context (see [11, 1.9.15]). Suppose $N, e \in \mathbb{N}$, and for $1 \leq i \leq N$, the class \mathcal{B}_i is measurable and $\lambda \mathcal{B}_i \geq 2^{-e}$. If $N > k2^e$ then there is a set $F \subseteq \{1, \dots, N\}$ such that $\#F = k+1$ and $\bigcap_{i \in F} \mathcal{B}_i \neq \emptyset$. For instance, if $N = 5$ classes of measure at least $1/2$ are given, then the intersection of three of them is non-empty.

Suppose now that $0 = v_0 < v_1 < \dots < v_N$ are consecutive stages at which $\alpha \upharpoonright I_e$ changes. Thus $p \upharpoonright I_e$ is defined. Then $\lambda \mathcal{B}_i \geq 2^{-e}$ for each $i \leq N$, where

$$\mathcal{B}_i = \{Y : Y'_{v_{i+1}} \upharpoonright_k \neq Y'_{v_i} \upharpoonright_k\},$$

and $k = \text{use } \Gamma(\max p(I_e))$, because $\lambda\mathcal{C}_e$ increased by at least 2^{-e} from v_i to v_{i+1} . Note that the intersection of any $k+1$ of the \mathcal{B}_i is empty. Thus $N \leq 2^e k$ by the measure theoretic fact. \diamond

Since α is Δ_2^0 , by the Recursion Theorem, we can now assume that p is a reduction function for α . Then in fact we have a computable bound g on the number of changes of $\alpha \upharpoonright I_e$ given by $g(e) = 2^e \text{use } \Gamma(\max p(I_e))$.

To complete the proof, let A be a c.e. set that is strongly jump traceable. We define a cost function c by $c(x, s) = 2^{-x}$ for each $x \geq s$; if $x < s$, and $e < x$ is least such that $\alpha_s \upharpoonright I_e \neq \alpha_{s-1} \upharpoonright I_e$ let

$$c(x, s) = \max(c(x, s-1), 2^{-e}).$$

Note that the cost function c is benign as defined in [5]: if $x_0 < \dots < x_n$ and $c(x_i, x_{i+1}) \geq 2^{-e}$ for each i , then $\alpha_s \upharpoonright I_e \neq \alpha_{s-1} \upharpoonright I_e$ for some s such that $x_i < s \leq x_{i+1}$. Hence $n \leq g(e)$ where g is defined after the claim.

By [5] fix a computable enumeration $(A_s)_{s \in \mathbb{N}}$ of A that obeys c . (The rest of the argument actually works for a computable approximation $(A_s)_{s \in \mathbb{N}}$ of a Δ_2^0 set A .)

We build a Solovay test \mathcal{G} as follows: when $A_{t-1}(x) \neq A_t(x)$, we put $\mathcal{C}_{e,t}$ into \mathcal{G} where e is largest such that $\alpha \upharpoonright I_e$ has been stable from x to t . Then $2^{-e} \leq c(x, t)$. Since $\lambda\mathcal{C}_{e,t} \leq 2^{-e+1} \leq 2c(x, t)$ and the computable approximation of A obeys c , \mathcal{G} is indeed a Solovay test.

Choose s_0 such that $\sigma \not\leq Y$ for each $[\sigma]$ enumerated into \mathcal{G} after stage s_0 . To show $A \leq_T Y$, given an input $y \geq s_0$, using Y as an oracle, compute $s > y$ such that $\alpha_s(x) = \Gamma(Y'_s; x)$ for each $x < y$. Then $A_s(y) = A(y)$: if $A_t(y) \neq A_{t-1}(y)$ for $t > s$, let $e \leq y$ be largest such that $\alpha \upharpoonright I_e$ has been stable from y to t . Then by stage $s > y$ the set Y is in $\mathcal{C}_{e,s} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_{e,t}$, so we put Y into \mathcal{G} at stage t , contradiction. \square

In the following we give a direct construction of a null Σ_3^0 class containing the superhigh sets. Note that the class \mathcal{H} defined in (1) is such a class. However, the proof below uses techniques of independent interest. For instance, they might be of use to resolve the open question whether superhighness itself is a Σ_3^0 property.

Proposition 2.2. *There is a null Σ_3^0 class containing the superhigh sets.*

Proof. For each truth-table reduction Φ , we uniformly define a null Π_2^0 class \mathcal{S}_Φ such that $\emptyset'' = \Phi(Y') \rightarrow Y \in \mathcal{S}_\Phi$.

We build a Δ_2^0 set D_Φ . Then, by the Recursion Theorem we have a truth-table reduction Γ_Φ such that $\emptyset'' = \Phi(Y') \rightarrow D_\Phi = \Gamma(Y')$. We define D_Φ in such a way that $\mathcal{S}_\Phi = \{Y : D_\Phi = \Gamma(Y')\}$ is null. Also, \mathcal{S}_Φ is Π_2^0 because

$$Y \in \mathcal{S}_\Phi \leftrightarrow \forall w \forall i > w \exists s > i D_\Phi(w, s) = \Gamma(Y'_s; w).$$

Claim. *For each string σ , the real number $r_\sigma = \lambda\{Z : \sigma \prec Z'\}$ is difference left-c.e. (see [11, 1.8.15]) uniformly in σ .*

To see this, note that for each finite set F the class $\mathcal{C}_F = \{Z : F \subseteq Z'\}$ is uniformly Σ_1^0 . Let $F(\sigma) = \{j < |\sigma| : \sigma(j) = 1\}$, then

$$r_\sigma = \lambda(\mathcal{C}_{F(\sigma)} - \bigcup_{r < |\sigma| \& \sigma(r)=0} \mathcal{C}_{\{r\} \cup F(\sigma)}).$$

This proves the claim. Now, for each τ let

$$b_\tau = \lambda\{Z: \tau \prec \Gamma(Z')\}.$$

Then $b_\tau = \sum_\sigma r_\sigma \llbracket \tau = \Gamma^\sigma \rrbracket$ is uniformly difference left-c.e.

We define the Δ_2^0 set $D = D_\Phi$ in such a way that $b_{D \upharpoonright n+1} \leq b_{D \upharpoonright n}/2$ for each n . Then $2^{-n} \geq \lambda\{Y: D_\Phi \upharpoonright n = \Gamma(Y') \upharpoonright n\}$ for each n , so \mathfrak{S}_Φ is null. \square

3. EACH SET IN Shigh^\diamond IS STRONGLY JUMP TRACEABLE

Theorem 3.1. *Let A be a c.e. set that is Turing below all ML-random superhigh sets. Then A is strongly jump traceable.*

Proof. Let h be an order function. We will define a ML-random superhigh set Z such that $A \leq_T Z$ implies that A is jump traceable via bound h . In fact for an arbitrary given set G we can define Z such that $G \leq_{tt} Z'$. If also $G \geq_{tt} \emptyset''$, then Z is superhigh.

Preliminaries. We will need a lower bound on the measure of a non-empty Π_1^0 class of ML-random sets. This bound is given uniformly in an index for the class (Kuřera; see [11, 3.3.3]). Let $Q_0 \subseteq \text{MLR}$ be the complement $2^\omega - \mathcal{R}_1$ of the second component of the standard universal ML-test.

Lemma 3.2. *Given an effective listing $(P^v)_{v \in \mathbb{N}}$ of Π_1^0 classes, $P^v \subseteq Q_0$, there is a constant c_0 such that $\lambda P^v \leq 2^{-K(v)-c_0} \rightarrow P^v = \emptyset$.*

We assume an indexing of all the Π_1^0 classes. Given an index for a Π_1^0 class P we have an effective approximation $P = \bigcap_t P_t$ where P_t is a clopen set ([11, Section 1.8]).

The basic set-up. For each e , a procedure R^e (with further parameters to be discussed later) builds a c.e. trace $(T_x)_{x \in \mathbb{N}}$ with bound h . Either for almost all x , $J^A(x) \downarrow$ implies $J^A(x) \in T_x$, or R^e shows that $A \neq \Phi_e^Z$. Since Z is superhigh, the first alternative must hold for some e .

When a new computation $w = J^A(x) \downarrow$ with use u appears, R^e activates a sub-procedure S_x^e . This sub-procedure waits for evidence that $A \upharpoonright_u$ is stable before putting w into the trace set T_x . By first waiting long enough, it makes sure that an $A \upharpoonright_u$ change after this tracing can happen for at most $h(x)$ times, so that $\#T_x \leq h(x)$. S_x^e also calls an instance of the next procedure R^{e+1} . Thus, during the construction we can have many runs of each of the procedures R^e and S_x^e .

The environment of a procedure. Each R^e has as further parameters a Π_1^0 class P and a number $r \in \mathbb{N}$. It assumes that $Z \in P$ and $2^{-r} < \lambda P$. Each S_x^e activated by $R^e(P, r)$ will specify an appropriate subclass $Q \subseteq P$ and a number $q \in \mathbb{N}$, and call $R^{e+1}(Q, q)$.

Initially we call $R^0(Q_0, 2)$

The two phases of S_x^e . A procedure S_x^e alternates between Phases I, and II. When changing phases it returns control to R^e . In our first approximation to describing the construction, once a computation $w = J^A(x) \downarrow$ with use u appears, S_x^e enters Phase I. It considers the Σ_1^0 class $C = \{Z: \Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u = A \upharpoonright_u\}$.

It calls $R^{e+1}(Q, q)$ where $Q = P - C$ and q is obtained by Lemma 3.2. If it stays here then, because $Z \in Q$, its outcome is that $\Phi_e^Z \neq A$.

For a threshold δ depending only on r and x , once $\lambda(P_s \cap C_s) > \delta$ at stage s it lets $D = C_s$ and puts w into T_x . Now the outcome is that $J^A(x)$ has been traced. So S_x^e can return and stay inactive unless $A \upharpoonright_u$ changes.

Once $A \upharpoonright_u$ has changed, S_x^e enters Phase II by calling $R^{e+1}(Q, q)$ where now $Q = P \cap D$ and q is obtained by Lemma 3.2. Its outcome is again that $\Phi_e^Z \neq A$, this time because $\Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u$ is the previous value of $A \upharpoonright_u$ (here we use that A is c.e.).

If, later on, $P \cap D$ becomes empty, then S_x^e returns. It is now turned back to the beginning and may start again in Phase I when a new computation $J^A(x)$ appears. Note that P has now lost a measure of δ . So S_x^e can go back to Phase I for at most $1/\delta$ times.

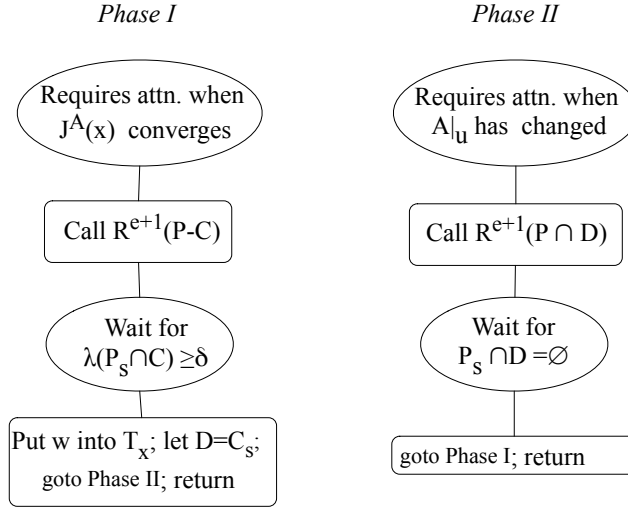


FIGURE 1. Diagram for the procedure S_x^e

The golden run. For some e we want a run of R^e such that each sub-procedure S_x^e it calls returns. For then, the c.e. trace $(T_x)_{x \in \mathbb{N}}$ this run of R^e builds is a trace for J^A . If no such run R^e exists then each run of R^e eventually calls some S_x^e which does not return, and therefore permanently runs a procedure R^{e+1} . If $Y \in \bigcap P_e$ where P_e is the parameter of the final run of a procedure R^e , then $A \not\leq_T Y$. So we have a contradiction if we can define a set $Z \in \bigcap_e P_e$ such that $G \leq_{tt} Z'$.

Ensuring that $G \leq_{tt} Z'$. For this we have to introduce new parameters into the procedures S_x^e .

Note that $G \leq_{tt} Z'$ iff there is a binary function $f \leq_T Z$ such that $\forall x G \upharpoonright_x = \lim_s^{\text{comp}} f(x, s)$ (namely, the number of changes is computably bounded). We will define Z such that Z' encodes G . We use a variant of Kučera's method to code into ML-random sets. We define strings $z_\gamma = \lim_s^{\text{comp}} z_{\gamma, s}$ and let $Z = \bigcup_{\gamma \prec G} z_\gamma$. The strings $z_{\gamma, s}$ are given effectively, and for each s they are

pairwise incomparable. Then we let $f(x, s) = \gamma$ if $z_{\gamma, s} \prec Z$, and $f(x, s) = \emptyset$ if there is no such γ .

Firstly, we review Kučera's coding into members of a Π_1^0 -class of positive measure.

Lemma 3.3 (Kučera; see [11], 3.3.1). *Suppose that P is a Π_1^0 class, x is a string, and $\lambda(P|x) \geq 2^{-l}$ where $l \in \mathbb{N}$. Then there are at least two strings $w \succeq x$ of length $|x| + l + 1$ such that $\lambda(P|w) > 2^{-l-1}$. We let w_0 be the leftmost and w_1 be the rightmost such string.*

In the following we code a string β into a string y_β on a Π_1^0 class P .

Definition 3.4. Given a Π_1^0 class P , a string z such that $P \subseteq [z]$, and $r \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $2^{-r} < \lambda P$, we define a string

$$y_\beta = \text{kuc}(P, r, z, \beta)$$

as follows: $y_\emptyset = y$; if $x = y_\beta$ has been defined, let $l = r + |\beta|$, and let $y_{\beta \smallfrown b} = w_b$ for $b \in \{0, 1\}$, where the strings w_b are defined as in Lemma 3.3.

Note that for each β we have $\lambda(P | y_\beta) \geq 2^{-r-|\beta|}$ and

$$(2) \quad |y_\beta| \leq |z| + |\beta|(r + |\beta| + 1).$$

At stage s we have the approximation $y_{\beta, s} = \text{kuc}(P_s \cap [z], r, z, \beta)$. While $y_{\beta, s}$ is stable, the string w_b in the inductive definition above changes at most 2^l times. Thus, inductively, $y_{\beta, s}$ changes at most $2^{|\beta|(r+|\beta|+1)}$ times.

For each e, η we may have a version of R^e denoted $R^{e, \eta}(P, r, z_\eta)$. It assumes that η has already been coded into the initial segment z_η of Z , and works within $P \subseteq [z_\eta]$. It calls procedures $S_x^{e, \eta \alpha}(P, r, z)$ for certain x, α . In this case we let $z_{\eta \alpha} = y_\alpha = \text{kuc}(P, r, z_\eta, \alpha)$.

For each x , once $J^A(x) \downarrow$, $R^{e, \eta}$ wishes to run $S^{e, \eta \alpha}$ for all α of a certain length m defined in (4) below, which increases with $h(x)$. Thus, as x increases, more and more bits beyond η are coded into Z . The trace set T_x will contain all the numbers enumerated by procedures $S_x^{e, \eta \alpha}$ where $|\alpha| = m$. We ensure that m is small enough so that $\#T_x \leq h(x)$.

Formal details. Some ML-random set $Y \not\leq_T \emptyset'$ is superhigh by [11, 3.4.13]. Since $A \leq_T Y$ and A is c.e., A is a base for ML-randomness by [11, 5.1.18], and therefore superlow. Hence there is an order function g and a computable enumeration of A such that $J^A(x)[s]$ becomes undefined for at most $g(x)$ times.

We build a sequence of Π_1^0 classes $(P^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ as in Lemma 3.2. If $n = \langle e, \gamma, x, i \rangle$, then since $K(n) \leq^+ 2 \log \langle e, \gamma \rangle + 2 \log x + 2 \log i$, we have

$$(3) \quad P^{\langle e, \gamma, x, i \rangle} \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \lambda P^{\langle e, \gamma, x, i \rangle} \geq 2^{-q}$$

where $q = 2 \log \langle e, \gamma \rangle + 2 \log x + 2 \log i + c$ for some fixed $c \in \mathbb{N}$. By the Recursion Theorem we may assume that we know c in advance.

The construction starts off by calling $R^{0, \emptyset}(Q_0, 3, \emptyset)$.

Procedure $R^{e, \eta}(P, r, z)$, where $z \in 2^{<\omega}$, $P \subseteq \text{MLR} \cap [z]$ is a Π_1^0 class and $r \in \mathbb{N}$. This procedure enumerates a c.e. trace $(T_x)_{x \in \mathbb{N}}$. (It assumes that $2^{-r} < \lambda P$.)

For each string α of length at most s , see whether some procedure $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}(P)$ requires attention or is at (b), (e) and no procedure $S_y^{e,\eta\beta}(P)$ for $\beta \prec \alpha$ satisfies the same condition. If so, choose x least for α and activate $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}(P)$. (This suspends any runs $S_z^{e,\delta}$ for $\eta\alpha \preceq \delta$. Such a run may be resumed later.)

Procedure $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}(P, r, z)$, where $|\alpha|$ is the greatest m such that, if $n = m(r + m + 1)$, we have

$$(4) \quad 2^{|\eta\alpha|} 2^{2n+r+2} \leq h(x).$$

There only is such a procedure if x is so large that m exists.

Let $y_{\alpha,s} = \text{kuc}(P_s, \alpha, r, z)$. Let

$$\delta = 2^{-|y_{\alpha,s}| - m - r - 1}.$$

(Comment: $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}(P, r, z)$ cannot change $y_{\alpha,s}$. It only changes “by itself” as P_s gets smaller. This makes the procedure go back to the beginning. So in the following we can assume y_α is stable.)

Phase I.

- (a) $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ requires attention if $w = J^A(x) \downarrow$ with use u . Let

$$C = [y_\alpha] \cap \{Z : \Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u = A \upharpoonright_u\},$$

a Σ_1^0 class. Let $C_s = [y_{\alpha,s}] \cap \{Z : \Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u = A \upharpoonright_u[s]\}$ be its approximation at stage s , which is clopen.

- (b) WHILE $\lambda(P_s \cap C_s) < \delta$ run in case $e < s$ the procedure

$$R^{e+1,\eta\alpha}(Q, q, y_{\alpha,s});$$

here Q is the Π_1^0 class $P \cap [y_{\alpha,s}] - C$, and

$$q = 2 \log \langle e, \eta\alpha \rangle + 2 \log x + 2 \log i + c,$$

where i is the number of times $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ has called $R^{e+1,\eta\alpha}$ (the constant c was defined after (3) at the beginning of the formal construction). Then $2^{-q} < \lambda Q$ unless $Q = \emptyset$. Meanwhile, if $y_{\alpha,s} \neq y_{\alpha,s-1}$ put w into T_x , cancel all sub-runs, GOTO (a), and RETURN. Otherwise, if $A_s \upharpoonright_u \neq A_{s-1} \upharpoonright_u$ cancel all sub-runs, GOTO (a) and RETURN. (Comment: if the run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ stays at (b) and $Z \in Q$, then $A \upharpoonright_u = \Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u$ fails, so we have defeated Φ_e .)

- (c) Put w into T_x , let $D = C_s$, GOTO (d), and RETURN. (Thus, the next time we call $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}(P)$ it will be in Phase II.)

Phase II.

- (d) $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ requires attention again if $A \upharpoonright_u$ has changed.

- (e) WHILE $P_s \cap D \neq \emptyset$ RUN in case $e < s$

$$R^{e+1}(P \cap D, q, y_{\alpha,s})$$

where $q \in \mathbb{N}$ is defined as in (b). Meanwhile, if $y_{\alpha,s} \neq y_{\alpha,s-1}$ cancel all sub-runs, GOTO (a), and RETURN.

(Comment: if the run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ stays at (e) and $Z \in Q$ then again $A \upharpoonright_u = \Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u$ fails, this time because $Z \in D$ and $\Phi_e^Z \upharpoonright_u$ is an old version of $A \upharpoonright_u$.)

- (f) GOTO (a) and RETURN.

Verification. The function g was defined at the beginning of the formal proof. First we compute bounds on how often a particular run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ does certain things.

Claim 1. *Consider a run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}(P, r, z)$ called by $R^{e,\eta}(P, r, z)$. As in the construction, let $m = |\alpha|$ and $n = m(r + m + 1)$.*

- (i) *While $y_{\alpha,s}$ does not change, the run passes (f) for at most 2^{m+r+1} times.*
- (ii) *The run enumerates at most 2^{2n+r+2} elements into T_x .*
- (iii) *It calls a run $R^{e+1,\eta\alpha}$ at (b) or (e) for at most $2^{n+1}g(x)$ times.*

To prove (i), as before let $\delta = 2^{-|y_\alpha|-m-r-1}$. Note that each time the run passes (f), the class $P \cap [y_\alpha]$ loses $\lambda D \geq \delta$ in measure. This can repeat itself at most 2^{m+r+1} times. (This argument allows for the case that the run of $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ is suspended due to the run of some $S_z^{e,\eta\beta}$ for $\beta \prec \alpha$. If $S_z^{e,\eta\beta}$ finishes then $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$, with the same parameters, continues from the same point on where it was when it was suspended.)

(ii) There are at most 2^n values for y_α during a run of $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ by the remarks after Definition 3.4. Therefore this run enumerates at most $2^n 2^{n+r+1} + 2^n$ elements into T_x where at most 2^n elements are enumerated when y_α changes.

(iii): for each value y_α there are at most $2g(x)$ calls, namely, at most two for each computation $J^A(x)$ (g is defined at the beginning of the formal proof). \diamond

Note that $\#T_x \leq h(x)$ by (ii) of Claim 1 and (4).

The strings $z_{\gamma,s}$, $\gamma \in 2^{<\omega}$ are used for coding the given set G into Z' . Let $z_{\emptyset,s} = \emptyset$.

- If $z_{\eta,s}$ has been defined and $R^{e,\eta}(P, r, z_\eta)$ is running at stage s , then for all β such that no procedure $S^{e,\eta\alpha}$ is running for any $\alpha \prec \beta$, let $z_{\eta\beta} = \text{kuc}(P, r, z_\eta, \beta)$.
- If α is maximal under the prefix relation such that $z_{\eta\alpha,s}$ is now defined, it must be the case that $R^{e+1,\eta\alpha}(Q, q, z_{\eta\alpha})$ runs. So we may continue the recursive definition.

Claim 2 *For each γ , $z_\gamma = \lim_s z_{\gamma,s}$ exists, with the number of changes computably bounded in γ .*

We say that a run of $S_x^{e,\delta}$ is a k -run if $|\delta| \leq k$. For each number parameter p we will let $\bar{p}(k, v)$ denote a computable upper bound for p computed from k, v . Such a function is always chosen nondecreasing in each argument.

To prove Claim 2, we think of k as fixed and define by simultaneous recursion on $v \leq k$ computable functions $\bar{r}(k, v), \bar{x}(k, v), \bar{b}(k, v), \bar{c}(k, v)$ with the following properties:

- (i) $\bar{r}(k, v)$ bounds r in any call $R^{e,\eta}(Q, r)$ where $|\eta| \leq k$ and $e \leq v$.
- (ii) $\bar{x}(k, v)$ bounds the largest x such that some k -run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ is started where $e \leq v$.
- (iii) For each x , $\bar{b}(k, v)$ bounds the number of times a k -run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ for $e \leq v$ requires attention.
- (iv) For each x , $\bar{c}(k, v)$ bounds the number of times a run $R^{e+1,\eta\alpha}$ is started by some k -run $S_x^{e,\eta\alpha}$ for $e \leq v$.

Fix γ such that $|\gamma| = k$. In the following we may assume that $\eta\alpha \preceq \gamma$, because then the actual bounds can be obtained by multiplying with 2^k .

Suppose now $k \geq v \geq 0$ and we have defined the bounds in (i)–(iv) for $v-1$ in case $v > 0$. We define the bounds for v and verify (i)–(iv). We may assume $e = v$, because then the required bounds are obtained by adding the bounds for $k, v-1$ to the bounds now obtained for $e = v$.

(i). First suppose that $v = 0$. Then $\eta = \emptyset$, so let $\bar{r}(k, 0) = 3$. If $v > 0$, we define a sequence of Π_1^0 classes as in Lemma 3.2: if for the i -th time a run $S_x^{e-1, \delta}$ calls a run $R^{e, \delta}(Q, q)$ we let $P^{(e, \delta, x, i)} = Q$. By the inductive hypothesis (iii) and (iv) for $v-1$ we have a bound $\bar{i}(v, x)$ on the largest i such that a class $P^{(v, \eta\alpha, x, i)}$ is defined (when $S_x^{v-1, \eta}$ in (b) or (e) starts a run $R^{v, \eta}$). Thus let $\bar{r}(k, v) = 2 \log \langle v, \gamma \rangle + 2 \log \bar{x}(k, v-1) + 2 \log \bar{i}(v, \bar{x}(k, v-1)) + c$. To prove (ii) and (iii), suppose $R^{e, \eta}(Q, r)$ calls $S_x^{e, \eta\alpha}$. Let $m = |\alpha|$ and $n = m(r + m + 1)$. Then $n \leq k(\bar{r}(k, v) + k + 1)$.

(ii) We have $h(x) < 2^{k+2k(\bar{r}(k, v)+k+1)+3}$ because m is chosen maximal in (4). Since h is an order function, this gives the desired computable bound $\bar{x}(k, v)$ on x .

(iii). By Claim 1(i), for each value of y_α , the run can pass (f) for at most $2^{k+\bar{r}(k, v)+1}$ times. Further, it can require attention $2^n + g(\bar{x}(k, v))$ more times because y_α changes or because $J^A(x)$ changes. This allows us to define $\bar{b}(k, v)$.

(iv). By Claim 1(iv) a run $R^{v+1, \eta\alpha}$ is started for at most $\bar{b}(k, v)2^{k+1}g(\bar{x}(k, v))$ times.

This completes the recursive definition of the four functions.

Now, to obtain Claim 2, fix γ . One reason that z_γ changes is that

(A) some run $S_y^{e, \delta}$ for $\delta \preceq \gamma$, calls $R^{e+1, \delta}$ in (e). This run is a k -run for $k = |\gamma|$. By (ii) and (iii), the number of times this happens is computably bounded by $\bar{b}(k, k)\bar{x}(k, k)$. While it does not happen, z_γ can also change because

(B) for some $\eta\alpha \preceq \gamma$ as in the construction, y_α changes because some P_s , which defines y_α , decreases. Since there is a computable bound $\bar{l}(k)$ on the length of z_γ by (i) of this claim and (2), while (A) does not apply this can happen for at most $2^{\bar{l}(k)}$ times. Thus in total z_γ changes for at most $\bar{b}(k, k)\bar{x}(k, k)2^{\bar{l}(k)}$ times. \diamond

Now let $Z = \bigcup_{\gamma \prec G} z_\gamma$. By Claim 2 we have $G \leq_{\text{tt}} Z'$.

Claim 3 (Golden Run Lemma) *For some $\eta \prec G$ and some e , there is a run $R^{e, \eta}(P, r)$ (called a golden run) that is not cancelled such that, each time it calls a run $S_x^{e, \eta\alpha}$ where $\eta\alpha \prec G$, that run returns.*

Assume the claim fails. We verify the following for each e .

- (i) There is a run $R^{e, \eta}$ that is not cancelled; further, $S_x^{e, \eta\alpha}(P)$ is running for some x , where $\eta\alpha \prec G$, and eventually does not return.
- (ii) $A \neq \Phi_e^Z$.

(i) We use induction. For $e = 0$ clearly the single run of $R^{0, \emptyset}$ is not cancelled. Suppose now that a run of $R^{e, \eta}$ is not cancelled. Since we assume the claim fails, some run $S_x^{e, \eta\alpha}$, $\eta\alpha \prec G$, eventually does not return. From then on

the computation $J^A(x)$ it is based on and y_α are stable. So the run calls R^{e+1, η^α} and that run is not cancelled.

(ii) Suppose the run $S_x^{e, \eta^\alpha}(P, r, z)$ that does not return has been called at stage s . Suppose further it now stays at (b) or (e), after having called $R^{e, \eta^\alpha}(Q, q, y_\alpha)$. Since y_{η^α} is stable by stage s , we have $Z \in Q$. Hence $A \neq \Phi_e^Z$ by the comments in (b) or (e). \diamond

Let $(T_x)_{x \in \mathbb{N}}$ be the c.e. trace enumerated by this golden run.

Claim 4 (T_x) is a trace for J^A with bound h .

As remarked after Claim 1, we have $\#T_x \leq h(x)$. Suppose x is so large that m in (4) exists. Suppose further that the final value of $w = J^A(x)$ appears at stage t . Let $\eta^\alpha \prec G$ such that $|\alpha| = m$.

As the run is golden and by Claim 1(i), eventually no procedure $S_y^{e, \eta^\beta}(P)$ for $\beta \prec \alpha$ is at (b) or (e). Thus, from some stage $s > t$ on, the run S_x^{e, η^α} is not suspended. If y_α has not settled by stage s then w goes into T_x . Else $\lambda(P \upharpoonright y_{\alpha, s}) > 2^{-r-|\alpha|}$. Since S_x^{e, η^α} returns each time it is called, the run is at (a) at some stage after t . Also, $P_s \cap C_s$ must reach the size $\delta = 2^{-|y_\alpha| - |\alpha| - r - 1}$ required for putting w into T_x . \square

As a consequence, we separate highness properties within the ML-random sets. See [11, Def. 8.4.13] for the weak reducibility \leq_{JT} , and [5] for the highness property “ \emptyset' is c.e. traceable by Y ”. Note that JT-hardness implies both this highness property and superhighness.

Corollary 3.5. *There is a ML-random superhigh Δ_3^0 set Z such that \emptyset' is not c.e. traceable by Z . In particular, Z is not JT-hard.*

Proof. By [11, Lemma 8.5.19] there is a benign cost function c such that each c.e. set A that obeys c is Turing below each ML-random set Y such that \emptyset' is c.e. traceable by Y . By [11, Exercise 8.5.8] there is an order function h such that some c.e. set A obeys c but is not jump traceable with bound h . Then by the proof of Theorem 3.1 there is a ML-random superhigh set $Z \leq_T \emptyset''$ such that $A \not\leq_T Z$. Hence Z is not JT-hard. \square

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