

A hierarchy of the countably computable functions

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Motivations

- 1 $\text{Continuous} = \text{Computable Relative to an Oracle}$
- 2 We want to obtain deep understanding of the behavior of discontinuous (nonuniform), but degree-preserving maps.

Question

How can we study the effective content of discontinuous functions?

Our Answer

Effectivize Luzin's idea concerning countable-decomposability!

- (N. Luzin) A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is countably continuous or σ -continuous if f is decomposable into countably many continuous functions, that is, there is a countable cover $\{X_i\}_{i \in \omega}$ of X such that $f|_{X_i}$ is continuous.
- A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is countably computable if f is decomposable into countably many computable functions.

Proposition

A function $f : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$ is countably computable if and only if $f(x) \leq_T x$ for every $x \in \omega^\omega$.

Definition

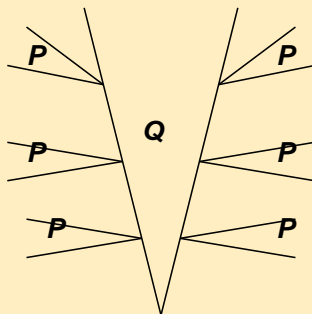
$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is Π_1^0 -finitely computable if there exists a finite increasing sequence $\{X_i\}_{i \leq k}$ of Π_1^0 sets with $X_k = X$ such that $f|_{X_{i+1} \setminus X_i}$ is computable for every i .

A set $P \subseteq 2^\omega$ is special if it is nonempty and it contains no computable element.

Anti-Cupping Theorem

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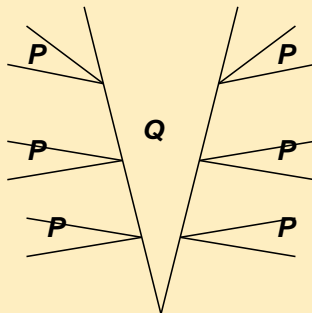
- there exists a computable function $f : P \rightarrow Q$,
- there exists a Π_1^0 -finitely computable function $g : Q \rightarrow P$,
- for every $R \neq \emptyset$, there exists **NO** computable function $h : Q \times R \rightarrow P$.



Definition (Concatenation)

For trees $P, Q \subseteq 2^{<\omega}$,

$$Q^P = \{\sigma \hat{\langle 2 \rangle} \tau : \sigma \in Q, \tau \in P\}.$$



$Q \wedge P$ represents the mass problem:

- “First we try to solve Q ”,
- “If we failed to solve Q , then next we try to solve P ”.

i.e., Solve “ P or Q ” *with a mind-change!*

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- \exists a Π_1^0 -finitely computable $g : [T \frown T] \rightarrow [T]$,
- $\forall R \neq \emptyset \rightarrow \exists$ computable $h : [T \frown T] \times R \rightarrow [T]$.

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Proposition (Upper Bound)

The following are equivalent for any Π_1^0 classes $P, Q \subseteq 2^\omega$:

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Collapsing Theorem

There exists a special Π_1^0 class $Q \subseteq 2^\omega$ such that for every Π_1^0 class $P \subseteq 2^\omega$, the following are equivalent:

- there exists a finitely computable function $f : P \rightarrow Q$.
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Separation Theorem I

There are Π_1^0 classes $P, Q \subseteq 2^\omega$ such that:

- There exists a computable function $f : Q \rightarrow P$.
- There exists a Δ_2^0 -finitely computable function $g : P \rightarrow Q$.
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Separation Theorem II

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We introduce the notion of “disjunction” of trees.

$\sigma = (0, 7, 1, 11, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 5, 1, 4, 1, 22, 0, 7, \dots)$.

- $\text{pr}_0(\sigma) = (7, 2, 1, 5, 7, \dots)$.
- $\text{pr}_1(\sigma) = (11, 4, 22, \dots)$.

The disjunction of trees \mathbf{S} and \mathbf{T} is defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{S} \nabla_{\infty} \mathbf{T} = \{\sigma : \text{pr}_0(\sigma) \in \mathbf{S} \text{ and } \text{pr}_1(\sigma) \in \mathbf{T}\}.$$

Definition (Disjunction)

For $\sigma \in (2 \times \omega)^{<\omega}$, and $i < 2$,

- \mathbf{z}_n^i = the n -th least element of $\{m : (\exists k) \sigma(m) = \langle i, k \rangle\}$.
- $\mathbf{pr}_i(\sigma)(n) = k$ if $\mathbf{z}_n^i \downarrow$ and $\sigma(\mathbf{z}_n^i) = \langle i, k \rangle$.
- $\mathbf{mc}(\sigma) = \#\{n : (\exists i, k, l) \sigma(n) = \langle i, k \rangle \& \sigma(n+1) = \langle 1-i, l \rangle\}$

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- $\mathbf{mc}(\sigma) \geq 4$ (the number of times of mind-changes).

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$$\mathbf{S}_0 \nabla_n \mathbf{S}_1 = \{\sigma : (\forall i < 2) \text{pr}_i(\sigma) \in \mathbf{S}_i \text{ and } \text{mc}(\sigma) < n\}.$$

- $\mathbf{S}_0 \nabla_1 \mathbf{S}_1 \approx \mathbf{S}_0 \oplus \mathbf{S}_1.$
- $\mathbf{S}_0 \nabla_2 \mathbf{S}_1 \approx \mathbf{S}_0 \hat{\ } \mathbf{S}_1.$

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- $\neg \exists$ a Π_1^0 -finitely computable function $h : [T \nabla_\omega T] \rightarrow [T]$.

Separation Theorem II

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$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is Γ -countably computable if there exists a uniform Γ covering $\{X_i\}_{i \in \omega}$ of X such that $f|_{X_i}$ is computable uniformly in i .

Π_α^0 -countably computable iff $\Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0$ -countably computable.

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- there exists a computable function $f : P \rightarrow Q$,
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- there exists **NO** finitely computable function $h : Q \rightarrow P$.

Definition

$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is Σ_2^0 -excluded-middle computable if there exists a Σ_2^0 formula $\exists m \forall n \varphi(m, n, \alpha)$ and a computable sequence of computable functions $\{g_m\}_{m \in \omega}$ and h such that for every $\alpha \in X$,

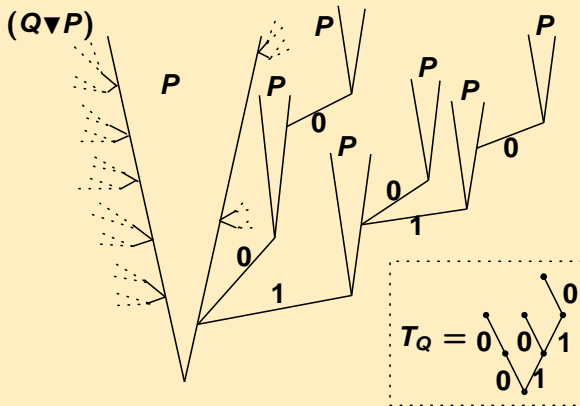
- $f(\alpha) = g_m(\alpha)$ if $\forall n \varphi(m, n, \alpha)$ is true.
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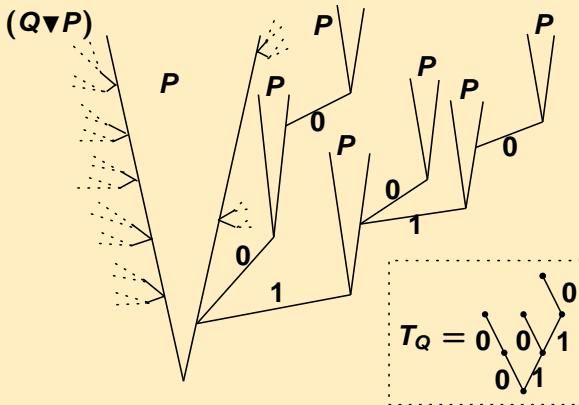
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- One can iterate the concatenation $\hat{\sim}$ such as $T \hat{\sim} T \hat{\sim} T \hat{\sim} T$.
- Indeed, one can iterate $\hat{\sim}$ along any well-founded tree.
- The [hyperconcatenation](#) $Q \nabla P$ is obtained by iterating $\hat{\sim}$ along an ill-founded tree T_Q .



Definition (Hyperconcatenation)

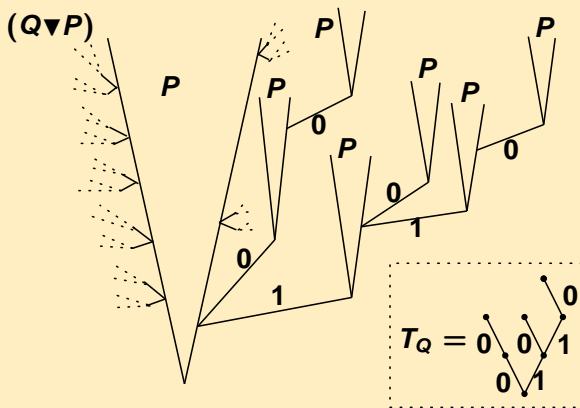
$$Q \nabla P = \{ \sigma_0 \hat{2} m_0 \hat{2} \sigma_1 \hat{2} m_1 \dots \sigma_i : \\ (\forall j \leq i) \sigma_j \in P \text{ and } \langle m_0 \dots m_{i-1} \rangle \in Q \}.$$



The proof structure of Jockusch's Theorem (1987) is essentially the hyperconcatenation ∇ in the following sense.

Theorem

There exists a ([uniform](#)) computable function
 $f : \text{DNR}_{k \cdot k} \rightarrow \text{DNR}_k \nabla \text{DNR}_k$.



Proof of Jockusch's Theorem

- \exists comp. $(a, b) \mapsto a \circ b$ s.t. $\Phi_{a \circ b}(a \circ b) = \langle \Phi_a(a), \Phi_b(b) \rangle$.
- Fix $g = \lambda n. \langle g_0(n), g_1(n) \rangle \in \text{DNR}_{k \cdot k}$, where $g_0, g_1 \in k^\omega$.
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$$\psi \equiv (\exists a)(\forall b) \Phi_b(b) \downarrow \rightarrow g_1(a \circ b) \neq \Phi_b(b).$$

- 1 $\psi \Rightarrow$ we eventually construct $g_a = \lambda b. g_1(a \circ b) \in \text{DNR}_k$.
- 2 $\neg\psi \Rightarrow$ we eventually construct $h = \lambda a. g_0(a \circ b_a) \in \text{DNR}_k$,
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- In other words, (\exists computable Φ)($\forall g \in \text{DNR}_{k \cdot k}$)
 $\Phi(g) = \tau_0 * h(0) * \tau_1 * h(1) * \dots * \tau_{n+1} * h(n+1) * \dots$;
- ① $\psi \Rightarrow \Phi(g) = \tau_0 * h(0) * \tau_1 * h(1) * \dots * \tau_{a-1} * h(a-1) * g_a$;
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We say that f is Σ_2^0 -EM* computable if it is of the form

$$f = g_1 \circ g_2 \circ \cdots \circ g_k,$$

where each g_i is Σ_2^0 -excluded-middle computable.

Separation Theorem IV

Let $P \subseteq 2^{\mathbb{N}}$ be a special Π_1^0 set. Then there exists a Π_1^0 set $Q \subseteq 2^{\mathbb{N}}$ such that:

- There exists a computable function $f : P \rightarrow Q$.
- There exists a Π_2^0 -countably computable function $g : Q \rightarrow P$.
- There exists **NO** Σ_2^0 -EM* computable function $h : Q \rightarrow P$.

- The notion of countable-decomposability has been an important notion in [Descriptive Set Theory](#).
- The notion of countable-decomposability is also related to some notion of [Algorithmic Learning](#).
- Perhaps, it is also related to the hierarchy of [Excluded-Middle](#).

Further Work

Borel/hyperarithmetic version of countable-decomposability, etc.

Measurability Characterizations

Theorem (K., Gregoriades-K.)

The following are equivalent:

- f is Π_{α}^0 countably continuous.
- f is $\Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0$ countably continuous.
- If $A \in \Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0$ then $f^{-1}[A] \in \Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0$.
- $A \in \Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0 \mapsto f^{-1}[A] \in \Sigma_{\alpha+1}^0$ is continuous.

Theorem (K.)

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Learnability Characterizations

Theorem (de Brecht-Yamamoto, Higuchi-K.)

- f is Π_1^0 countably computable.
- f is Σ_2^0 countably computable.
- f is the discrete limit of a sequence of computable functions.
- f is identifiable in the limit.

Theorem (de Brecht-Yamamoto, Higuchi-K.)

- f is Π_1^0 finitely computable if and only if it is identifiable in the limit with bounded mind changes.
- f is Δ_2^0 finitely computable if and only if it is identifiable in the limit with bounded errors.