Embedding Theorem for the automorphism group of the α -enumeration degrees

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Abstract

It is a theorem of classical Computability Theory that the automorphism group of the enumeration degrees \mathcal{D}_e embeds into the automorphism group of the Turing degrees \mathcal{D}_T . This follows from the following three statements:

- 1. \mathcal{D}_T embeds to \mathcal{D}_e ,
- 2. \mathcal{D}_T is an automorphism base for \mathcal{D}_e ,
- 3. \mathcal{D}_T is definable in \mathcal{D}_e .

The first statement is trivial. The second statement follows from the Selman's theorem: $A \leq_e B \iff \forall X \subseteq \omega[B \leq_e X \oplus \overline{X} \implies A \leq_e X \oplus \overline{X}]$. The third statement follows from the definability of a Kalimullin pair in the α -enumeration degrees \mathcal{D}_e and the following theorem: an enumeration degree is total iff it is trivial or a join of a maximal Kalimullin pair.

Following an analogous pattern, this thesis aims to generalize the results above to the setting of α -Computability theory. The main result of this thesis is Embedding Theorem: the automorphism group of the α -enumeration degrees $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ embeds into the automorphism group of the α -degrees \mathcal{D}_{α} if α is an infinite regular cardinal and assuming the axiom of constructibility V = L. If α is a general admissible ordinal, weaker results are proved involving assumptions on the megaregularity.

In the proof of the definability of \mathcal{D}_{α} in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ a helpful concept of α -rational numbers Q_{α} emerges as a generalization of the rational numbers \mathbb{Q} and an analogue of hyperrationals. This is the most valuable theory development of this thesis with many potentially fruitful directions.

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Chapter 1

Conventions

We state global conventions sometimes locally violated.

1.1 Notational conventions

Facts and proofs

Facts do not have proofs. If a proof for some other logical statement such as a proposition, lemma, theorem, corollary is not included, the statement will be marked with a box \Box at the end.

Binding strength of arithmetical operators

 $\Sigma_i i + x \coloneqq (\Sigma_i i) + x.$

Binding strength of logical symbols

The equally strongest symbols are $\neg \forall \exists$. Then continued from the strongest to the weakest: $\land \lor \implies \iff$. Brackets override the binding strength. Thus for example $\forall x.\phi(x) \lor \psi \implies \chi \equiv ((\forall x.\phi(x)) \lor \psi) \implies \chi$.

Bounded quantifiers over several variables

A bounded quantifier over several variables bounds all of them. Thus $\forall a, b, c > 0.a + b + c = z$ abbreviates $\forall a > 0 \forall b > 0 \forall c > 0.a + b + c = z$ which is different from $\forall a \forall b \forall c > 0.a + b + c = z$ where only the third variable *c* is bounded.

Evaluation of the logic formulas

Brackets are used as a function [] : PROP \rightarrow 2 to give a valuation of a logic formula in PROP with the valuation for the atoms as [false] := 0 and [true] := 1.

Ordinals

In the context of α -Computability Theory, the ordinal α always denotes an admissible ordinal, i.e. L_{α} satisfies the axioms of Kripke-Platek set theory. Similarly, the ordinal β denotes a limit ordinal.

1.2 Metatheory

Proofs in this thesis are carried out in ZFC - Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory with the axiom of choice. See appendix A.1 for the list of ZFC axioms.

Chapter 2

Thesis summary

The central focus of this thesis is to generalize the embedding theorem 2.1.17 that the automorphism group of the enumeration degrees embeds into the automorphism group of the Turing degrees to the setting of α -Computability Theory.

The enumeration reducibility and degrees are a major research area in Computability Theory with first investigations at least as early as 1961 [19] and 1974 [3].

A generalized notion of α -enumeration degrees in α -Computability Theory has been investigated by the author for the first time¹. To generalize the major recent result meant on one hand the development of many notions and proving of many intermediate results. On the other hand this required a careful selection of the results and notions to be generalized.

2.1 Embedding Theorem in classical Computability Theory

We present some essential concepts first, including enumeration reducibility, semicomputability, Kalimullin pair and degree structures. Then we state and outline the proof of the embedding theorem in classical Computability Theory.

For a more detailed background in classical Computability Theory consult the Cooper's book Computability Theory [5] which includes the material on the following, but not limited to:

- Turing machines, computability, reducibility, degrees and jump,
- computably enumerable sets and degrees,
- Peano arithmetic, arithmetical hierarchy and sets,

¹The only publication that the author is aware of and which treats α -enumeration reducibility briefly is [6]. However, α -enumeration degrees remain there untouched.

- the enumeration reducibility, degrees and jump,
- total sets and degrees,
- many-one reducibility and degrees,
- priority arguments.

2.1.1 Basic notions

In remark 2.1.1 below we recall the classes of the formulas in the arithmetical hierarchy. For a full definition, see [5].

Remark 2.1.1. (Arithmetical hierarchy)

- A formula φ belongs to the classes Σ₀ and Π₀ iff it is equivalent to a formula with bounded quantifiers only.
- A formula φ belongs to the class Σ_{n+1} iff it is equivalent to a formula of the form ∃x₁∃x₂...∃x_nψ where ψ belongs to the class Π_n.
- A formula φ belongs to the class Π_{n+1} iff it is equivalent to a formula of the form ∀x₁∀x₂...∀x_nψ where ψ belongs to the class Σ_n.
- A formula ϕ belongs to the class Δ_n iff ϕ belongs to both Σ_n and Π_n .

We use remark 2.1.1 further to define the definability classes over some set M.

Definition 2.1.2. (Definability classes over *M*)

Let C be a class of first-order formulas in the language of ZF. Specifically, let $C \in {\Sigma_n, \Pi_n, \Delta_n}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let M be a set, e.g. the domain of the model of computation. Then C(M) denotes the subsets of M which are definable with some formula from C with parameters in M.

Note 2.1.3. For the subsequent concepts in classical Computability Theory, we use the least infinite ordinal ω in place of the natural numbers \mathbb{N} . This does not introduce any problems since $\omega = \mathbb{N}$ and has a benefit of an easier generalization of the notation to the context of α -Computability Theory introduced later.

Definition 2.1.4. (Computability and computable enumerability)

The set A ⊆ ω is *computable* iff A is definable over ω with some Δ₁ formula, i.e. A ∈ Δ₁(ω).

The set A ⊆ ω is computably enumerable (c.e.) iff A is definable over ω with some Σ₁ formula, i.e. A ∈ Σ₁(ω).

Definition 2.1.5. (Canonical index of a finite set)

Let $D \subseteq \omega$ be a finite set. Then its *canonical index* n is defined as $n \coloneqq \sum_{k \in D} 2^k$. Denote a finite set with the canonical index n as D_n . In other words, D_n is the set that contains an element $k < \omega$ iff the k^{th} digit of the binary expansion of n is 1.

Definition 2.1.6. (Reducibilities)

The set A ⊆ ω is *enumerable* from B ⊆ ω denoted as A ≤_e B iff there is a c.e. set W such that:

 $\forall a < \omega[a \in A \iff \exists n < \omega[\langle a, n \rangle \in W \land D_n \subseteq B]]$

where D_n is the finite set given by the canonical index n and $\langle a, b \rangle$ is a natural number coding the pair (a, b).

 The set A ⊆ ω is *computable* from B ⊆ ω denoted as A ≤_T B iff there is a Turing machine with an oracle B that computes the characteristic function of A.

A general r-reducibility such as the Turing or the enumeration reducibility gives rise to the ordered structure of the r-degrees as in definition 2.1.7 below.

Definition 2.1.7. (*r*-Degrees)

Let $\leq_r \in \{\leq_e, \leq_T\}$ be the enumeration or Turing reducibility. Then \leq_r induces the *equivalence relation* $\equiv_r \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega) \times \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ as follows:

$$A \equiv_r B \iff A \leq_r B \land B \leq_r A$$

for any sets A and B which are subsets of ω . The *r*-degree of the set $A \subseteq \omega$ denoted as $\deg_r(A)$ is its equivalence class given by the equivalence relation \equiv_r . In notation,

$$\deg_r(A) \coloneqq \{B \in \mathcal{P}(\omega) : A \equiv_r B\}.$$

The set of *r*-degrees denoted as \mathcal{D}_r is the set of the partitions of $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ partitioned by the equivalence relation \equiv_r induced by the reducibility relation \leq_r . In notation,

$$\mathcal{D}_r \coloneqq \{ \deg_d(A) : A \subseteq \omega \}.$$

The reducibility relation \leq_r induces the *order* \leq on the set of *r*-degrees \mathcal{D}_r as follows:

$$\forall A, B \in \mathcal{P}(\omega)[\deg_r(A) \le \deg_r(B) \iff A \le_r B]$$

Using the general definition definition 2.1.7, we can specifically define the structures of the enumeration and Turing degrees in definition 2.1.8.

Definition 2.1.8. (Degrees)

The enumeration degrees are D_e := P(ω) / ≡_e where ≡_e is the equivalence relation induced by the enumeration reducibility ≤_e. In detail,

$$\mathcal{D}_e \coloneqq \{ \deg_e(A) : A \subseteq \omega \} = \{ \{ B \in \mathcal{P}(\omega) : A \leq_e B \land B \leq_e A \} : A \subseteq \omega \}$$

The Turing degrees are D_T := P(ω) / ≡_T where ≡_T is induced by ≤_T. In detail,

$$\mathcal{D}_T \coloneqq \{ \deg_T(A) : A \subseteq \omega \} = \{ \{ B \in \mathcal{P}(\omega) : A \leq_T B \land B \leq_T A \} : A \subseteq \omega \}.$$

Definition 2.1.9. (Computable join)

Let $A, B \subseteq \omega$. Then the computable join of A and B is defined as

 $A \oplus B \coloneqq \{2a : a \in A\} \cup \{2b+1 : b \in B\}.$

Definition 2.1.10. (Set complement)

Let $A \subseteq \omega$. Then the complement of A in ω is $\overline{A} \coloneqq \omega - A$.

Fact 2.1.11. ² For any total functions $f, g : \omega \to \omega$ we have:

$$f \leq_e g \iff f \leq_T g.$$

Remark 2.1.12. (Correspondence between \mathcal{D}_T and \mathcal{D}_e)

• Using fact 2.1.11 for any $A, B \subseteq \omega$ we have:

$$A \leq_T B \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_e B \oplus \overline{B}.$$

- There is an embedding $\iota : \mathcal{D}_T \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_e$ from the Turing degrees into the enumeration degrees given by $A \mapsto A \oplus \overline{A}$.
- The set $\iota[\mathcal{D}_T] \subseteq \mathcal{D}_e$ is called *total enumeration degrees* and is denoted by \mathcal{TOT}_e .

Definition 2.1.13. (Semicomputability)

A set $A \subseteq \omega$ is *semicomputable* iff there is a computable function $s_A : \omega \times \omega \to \omega$ such that for all $x, y \in \omega$:

- $s_A(x,y) \in \{x,y\}$
- $x \in A \lor y \in A \implies s_A(x,y) \in A.$

Definition 2.1.14. (Kalimullin pair)

• Let $U \subseteq \omega$. The pair of sets $A, B \subseteq \omega$ is a *U*-Kalimullin pair denoted³ as $\mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$ iff there is a set $W \leq_e U$ such that $A \times B \subseteq W$ and $\overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W}$.

²[20] Corollary XXIV p153.

³Here the notation $\mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$ has two meanings: the first is the reference to the pair object (A, B), the second is the statement that this pair object (A, B) is a U-Kalimullin pair.

- The pair of sets A, B ⊆ ω is a Kalimullin pair denoted as K(A, B) iff there is a c.e. set W such that A × B ⊆ W and A × B ⊆ W.
- A Kalimullin pair $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ is *non-trivial* denoted as $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$ iff both A and B are not c.e.
- A Kalimullin pair K(A, B) is maximal denoted as K_{max}(A, B) iff for any Kalimullin pair K(C, D) if A ≤_e C and B ≤_e D, then A ≡_e C and B ≡_e D.

Example 2.1.15. Let $A \subseteq \omega$ be a semicomputable set. Then $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$.

Definition 2.1.16. (Kalimullin pair in the enumeration degrees \mathcal{D}_e) Let $a, b, u \in \mathcal{D}_e$ be some enumeration degrees.

• Then the pair of the degrees a and b is a u-Kalimullin pair denoted as $\mathcal{K}_u(a, b)$ iff

$$\exists A \in a \exists B \in b \exists U \in u.\mathcal{K}_U(A, B).$$

• The pair of the degrees a and b is a Kalimullin pair denoted as $\mathcal{K}(a, b)$ iff

 $\exists A \in a \exists B \in b.\mathcal{K}(A, B).$

2.1.2 Embedding Theorem

Induce \leq by \leq_e and \leq_T on \mathcal{D}_e and \mathcal{D}_T respectively.

Theorem 2.1.17. (Embedding theorem [24][10][25][2]⁴)

$$\exists \eta : \operatorname{Aut}(\langle \mathcal{D}_e, \leq \rangle) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\langle \mathcal{D}_T, \leq \rangle)$$

Proof. This follows from the following 3 statements:

- \mathcal{D}_T degrees are embeddable in \mathcal{D}_e , i.e. $\exists \iota : \mathcal{D}_T \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_e$, see remark 2.1.12.
- \mathcal{D}_T are an automorphism base for \mathcal{D}_e , i.e.

$$\forall f \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_e)[f_{|\iota(\mathcal{D}_T)} = 1_{\iota(\mathcal{D}_T)} \implies f = 1_{\mathcal{D}_e}]$$

This is implied by Selman's theorem 2.1.18 below.

• The total degrees $TOT_e := \iota[D_T]$ are definable in D_e (theorem 2.1.20).

Then $\eta(f) \coloneqq \iota^{-1} \circ f \circ \iota$ is the required embedding.

Theorem 2.1.18. (Selman's theorem[24])

$$A \leq_e B \iff \forall X \subseteq \omega[B \leq_e X \oplus X \implies A \leq_e X \oplus X].$$

⁴The last paper with which the proof of the Embedding Theorem was completed is [2]. See [2] p13.

Definability of the total degrees [10][25][2]

Theorem 2.1.19. (Definability of a Kalimullin pair [25])

The Kalimullin pair is definable in the enumeration degrees \mathcal{D}_e :

$$\forall a, b \in \mathcal{D}_e[\mathcal{K}(a, b) \iff \forall x \in \mathcal{D}_e.x = (a \lor x) \land (b \lor x)]$$

where \lor denotes lattice join and \land lattice meet.

Theorem 2.1.20. (Definability of the total degrees [10] [25] [2] ⁵) An enumeration degree total iff it is trivial or a join of a maximal Kalimullin pair,

i.e.

$$\forall d \in \mathcal{D}_e[d \in \mathcal{TOT}_e \iff d = 0 \lor \exists a, b \in \mathcal{D}_e[(d = a \lor b) \land \mathcal{K}_{\max}(a, b)]].$$

Proof. \Leftarrow direction follows from theorem 2.1.21. \Rightarrow direction follows from theorem 2.1.22.

Theorem 2.1.21. (Semicomputable cut existence [2])

Let $A, B \subseteq \omega$ and $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$. Then there is semicomputable cut $C \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ such that $A \leq_e C$ and $B \leq_e \overline{C}$.

Theorem 2.1.22. (Maximal Kalimullin pair for a total set [10] [25])

Suppose that $D \subseteq \omega$ is total, i.e. $D \equiv_e D \oplus \overline{D}$ and that $D >_T \emptyset$. Then there are sets $A, B \subseteq \omega$ such that $D \equiv_e A \oplus B$ and $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A, B)$.

2.1.3 Dependency tree

We provide a dependency tree of the Embedding Theorem.

A node in the dependency tree is a statement or a mathematical area of development which *depends* upon all of its children as follows. If a node is a statement, then the proof of this statement requires the assumption of all the statements at the child nodes and the assumption of some of the statements achieved within all the mathematical areas of development at the child nodes. If a node is a mathematical area, then it to develop this area it is essential to require the assumption of all the statements at the child nodes and the assumption of some of the statements achieved within all the mathematical areas of development at the child nodes.

If a node and all its children are mathematical statements, this simplifies to saying that a node in the dependency tree is a statement implied by the conjunction of all its children.

For example, the root node is the Embedding Theorem stating $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_e) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_T)$ which follows from the three statements at the child nodes (namely

⁵The last paper with which the proof of the definability of the total degrees was completed is [2].

 $\mathcal{D}_T \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_e, \mathcal{D}_T$ is definable in \mathcal{D}_e and \mathcal{D}_T is an automorphism base for \mathcal{D}_e) as shown in the proof of theorem 2.1.17.



2.2 Generalization to α -Computability Theory

We introduce intuitively α -Computability Theory, its methods and differences with classical Computability Theory. Then we present the main results of this thesis including the main result Embedding Theorem in α -Computability Theory. Finally, we provide a dependency tree of the Embedding Theorem which on one hand serves as a proof outline, on the other hand shows dependencies between the chapters of this thesis.

2.2.1 *α*-Computability Theory [23][4][17][6]

 α -Computability Theory is the study of the definability theory over Gödel's L_{α} where α is an admissible ordinal, i.e. L_{α} satisfies the axioms of Kripke-Platek set theory. One can think of equivalent definitions on Turing machines with transfinite tape and time [12] [13] [14] [15] or on generalized register machines [16].

The α -degrees \mathcal{D}_{α} are the generalization of the Turing degrees. The α enumeration degrees $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ are the generalization of the enumeration degrees. Note
that ω -Computability Theory coincides with the classical Computability Theory.
Similarly, the Turing degrees are the ω -degrees, the enumeration degrees are the ω -enumeration degrees.

In this summary we omit many basic definitions in α -Computability Theory. To get a glimpse of the next material, one should use the intuitions from ω -Computability Theory. For a proper introduction to α -Computability Theory, consult chapter 3.

2.2.2 Differences with classical Computability Theory and separation of notions

Limit stages

If $\alpha > \omega$, then limit stages of an algorithm for an extended Turing machine with the tape and time α have to be defined appropriately. Similarly, constructions and priority arguments at limit stages have to be specified.

Regularity and megaregularity

In α -Computability Theory one studies the definability properties of the subsets of α . In classical Computability Theory, the subsets of ω have nice properties - the central ones are regularity and megaregularity defined below.

Definition 2.2.1. (Regularity and megaregularity)

- A subset $A \subseteq \alpha$ is regular iff $\forall \gamma < \alpha . A \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$.
- A subset $A \subseteq \alpha$ is *megaregular* iff for every function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ which is Σ_1^0 definable over L_α with a parameter A we have:

$$\forall K \in L_{\alpha}.f[K] \in L_{\alpha}.$$

Enumeration and Turing reducibility

Another major difference is that the enumeration reducibility in a generalized setting can be one of the three different reducibilities: Σ_1 definability with a positive parameter, weak α -enumeration reducibility and α -enumeration reducibility denoted as $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$, $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$, $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ respectively for the parameters A and B.

Similarly the Turing reducibility corresponds to the following three notions: Δ_1 definability with a parameter, weak α -reducibility and α -reducibility, denoted as $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B)$, $A \leq_{w\alpha} B$, $A \leq_{\alpha} B$ respectively.

The exact relationship between the reducibilities is given below:



Projectum emerged

A well-known notion of a projectum in α -Computability Theory is a new concept relative to classical Computability Theory since in classical Computability Theory the notion of a projectum is trivial and thus not manifested.

Definition 2.2.2. (Projectum)⁶

 $\alpha^* \coloneqq \min\{\gamma < \alpha : \exists \text{ total injection } i : \alpha \rightarrowtail \gamma \text{ that is } \Sigma_1 \text{ definable over } L_\alpha\}$

Example 2.2.3. $\alpha = \omega_1^{CK}$ is an admissible ordinal. Its projectum is $\alpha^* = \omega$.

Note that α many requirements can be given indices from α^* instead. Hence one uses projectum α^* to carry out a construction in only α^* many stages to satisfy α -many requirements. This technique enables one to bypass some of the difficulties caused by the lack of the megaregular and regular sets.

Summary

In summary the following are the major obstacles in generalization:

- Existence of limit stages in algorithms and constructions.
- Existence of non-regular and non-megaregular sets.
- Multiple generalized notions of reducibility.

To tackle these, one uses new notions such as projectum α^* of α .

2.3 Results

Let $\deg_{\alpha e}(Y)$ denote an α -enumeration degree that contains a set $Y \subseteq \alpha$. Let K(U) denote an α -jump of U. The following are the major results presented in this thesis.

Theorem 4.3.6. (α -U-Kalimullin pair definability correspondence) Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Let $A, B, U \subseteq \alpha$. Then $\mathcal{K}_U(A, B) \iff \forall X \subseteq \alpha. \deg_{\alpha e}(X \oplus U) = \deg_{\alpha e}(A \oplus X \oplus U) \land \deg_{\alpha e}(B \oplus X \oplus U).$

Corollary 4.3.8. (Definability of an α -U-Kalimullin Pair) Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then

$$\forall a, b, u \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[\mathcal{K}_u(a, b) \iff \forall x \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}.(a \lor x \lor u) \land (b \lor x \lor u) = x \lor u].$$

⁶Definition 6.1 in [1] on p174 or Theorem 1.20 in [4].

Proof. Follows from theorem 4.3.6.

Corollary 4.4.2. (Maximal α -Kalimullin pair for a total set, see 2.1.22) Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then every nontrivial total degree is a join of a maximal \mathcal{K} -pair, i.e.

$$\forall a \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e} - \{0\} \exists b, c \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[(a = b \lor c) \land \mathcal{K}_{\max}(b, c)].$$

Proof. Follows from corollary 4.3.8 and the results on semicomputable sets in chapter 4. \Box

The proof of the next statement required a development of a new notion of α -rational numbers Q_{α} , see chapter 5.

Theorem 6.0.1. (Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem, see 2.1.21) Let A and B form a nontrivial α -Kalimullin pair, then there exists an α -semicomputable cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ such that $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$ and $B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$.

Theorem 6.3.7. (Definability of total degrees)

Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. A degree of $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is total iff it is trivial or a join of a maximal \mathcal{K} -pair.

Proof. Follows from corollary 4.3.8, corollary 4.4.2 and theorem 6.0.1. \Box

Theorem 7.1.5. (Selman's theorem, see 7.1.5)

Let α be an admissible ordinal. Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ and let $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$ be megaregular. Then

$$A \leq_{\alpha e} B \iff \forall X [X \equiv_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \land B \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X}].$$

The main result of this thesis is the embedding theorem in α -Computability Theory.

Theorem 7.3.1. (Embedding Theorem, see 2.1.17) Assume V = L. Let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha})$.

Proof. Follows from theorem 6.3.7 and theorem 7.1.5.

2.4 Dependency tree

We provide a dependency tree for the Embedding Theorem in α -Computability Theory.

A node in the dependency tree is a statement or a mathematical area of development which depends upon all of its children. If a node and all its children are

mathematical statements, this simplifies to saying that a node in the dependency tree is a statement implied by the conjunction of all its children.



2.5 Established and new material

In section 2.3 we presented the major new results in this thesis. Here we summarize in more detail which results and notions in this thesis are new and which ones were introduced prior to this thesis. The greatest detail about the first appearance of the results themselves can be found in the text.

2.5.1 Classical Computability Theory

The new results in this thesis in α -Computability Theory are well-established in classical Computability Theory. This thesis does not introduce anything new in classical Computability Theory. Most of the used material from classical Computability Theory can be found in [5, 2, 10, 24, 25].

2.5.2 Chapter **3**: *α*-Computability Theory

Section 3.1: Set Theory

The definition of the ordinal sum 3.1.7 and its related result proposition 3.1.28 are new. Other material is well-established and most of it can be found in [1][4][8][23].

Section 3.2: Basic concepts in α -Computability Theory

This section contains introductory material about α -Computability all of which can be found in [4] and [23]. Some statements without the references (i.e. 3.2.11,3.2.12,3.2.13,3.2.14) are usually considered too trivial to be even stated explicitly outside of this thesis, yet are widely used implicitly.

Section 3.3: Higher Order Definability

Well-established material discussed in [23].

Section 3.4: Relativization

The parametrized definability or the definability with a parameter is very common and widely used in [1][4][23] for example. On the other hand, the restriction to a positive or a negative parameter seems to be introduced in this thesis for the first time, although it is a very natural direction to explore.

This section contains some new results introduced in this thesis, however, not significant as they are usually a straight-forward generalization, adaptation or consequence of other well-established statements with a general parameter or without it.

Section 3.5: α -computable index of a set

The material in this section is wisely used, but usually implicitly assumed in α -Computability Theory on the grounds of a generalized Church-Turing thesis. See the remark in [4] at the bottom of the page 7 for example.

Section 3.6: Projectum

A projectum is a well-established notion in α -Computability Theory, see [4][23]. The statements about the projectum in section 3.6 are well-known and often implicitly assumed in the literature (without a proof or a reference) as they are trivial to prove. Explicit proofs were given for the statements for which no reference was found. However, nothing in this section is new in this thesis.

Section 3.7.1: Reducibility

This section generalizes to α -Computability Theory the enumeration reducibility and its relationships with the Turing reducibility which are well-known in classical Computability Theory.

The weak enumeration operator and reducibility were introduced in [6] and easily seen equivalent definitions used in this thesis. Definition 3.7.2 and definition 3.7.3 are new in this thesis, but equivalent. The definition of the α -enumeration reducibility (definition 3.7.7) is different from the definitions in [6] and the relationships were not investigated as the focus of this thesis was different from the focus in [6].

Although this section contains new material, it is usually straight-forward to prove and see from the existing results in classical Computability Theory or the results in α -Computability Theory about the α -reducibility. The later is true by realizing that the original definition of the (weak) α -reducibility just copies the new definition of the (weak) α -enumeration reducibility twice - once for the positive part of the set and once for the positive part of the complement of the set. See fact 3.7.16 for a formal correspondence.

Section 3.8: Regularity

This section investigates the following notions of the regularity: regularity, quasiregularity, hyperregularity, megularity; and compares them with the notions of α -finiteness, α -computability and boundedness. Regularity and hyperregularity are well-established and investigated notions in α -Computability Theory, see [4][23].

Quasiregularity is a new notion which is slightly weaker than regularity. Megaregularity is a new notion which is slightly stronger than hyperregularity. The material which concerns quasiregularity and megaregularity in this thesis is new. The remaining material can be considered as well-known and is often assumed and used implicitly in the literature. Some explicit proofs are given in this thesis.

Section 3.9: Reducibilities and definability

This section explores mostly the relations between the Σ_1 -definability with a positive parameter, weak α -enumeration reducibility and α -enumeration reducibility on general, regular and megaregular sets. An analogous exploration is present in [4] between the Δ_1 -definability with a general parameter, weak α -reducibility and α -reducibility on general, regular and hyperregular sets, see [4] propositions 1.15, 1.30, 1.32. Hence the general ideas of making such comparisons between the notions of the definability is not new. However, the exact results concerned with the Σ_1 -definability with a positive parameter and (weak) α -enumeration reducibility in this section are new. Their proof may be inspired by analogous results, but often differs as the definability with a positive parameter behaves quite differently from the definability with a general parameter.

Section 3.10: Degree Theory

The α -degrees are well-established and studied, see [4][23]. The α -enumeration degrees are newly introduced in this thesis. And so the results about them are new. Similarly, α -join operator is a new concept introduced in this thesis, but possibly general and useful enough to have been discovered somewhere before.

Section 3.11: Computability with infinite cardinal and assumption V = L

The well-established material of this section can be found in some standard texts on Set Theory that include material on regular cardinals, replacement axiom and constructive universe such as [21]. Some material in this section can be thought of as new, but it rather puts the well-established material from Set Theory into a perspective of α -Computability Theory through direct observations or simple proofs.

Section 3.12: α -enumeration jump

This section generalizes a well-known notion of the enumeration jump from classical Computability Theory (E.g. see [25].) unseen in α -Computability Theory before. Therefore all the material including definitions and results in this section is new.

Section 3.13: Simple construction

In this section a simple construction is presented which is new in this thesis.

2.5.3 Chapter 4: Kalimullin pair and semicomputability

All the material in this chapter except lemma 4.1.13 is new in α -Computability Theory and generalizes well-established material from classical Computability Theory. Section 4.1 generalizes the classical notion of semicomputability and some related results from [10]. Section 4.2 and section 4.4 generalize the results on the definability of a Kalimullin pair [25] and the results about maximal Kalimullin pairs [2] in classical Computability Theory.

2.5.4 Chapter **5**: α -rational numbers Q_{α}

An idea to extend or generalize rational or real numbers is not new. Conway's field of the surreal numbers is a good example which extends the field of the real numbers into transfinite. However, the definition of the β -rational numbers Q_{β} is new and is well-suited for the application within this thesis. Just as the real numbers can be defined in many different ways (e.g. through Dedekind cuts, equivalence classes of Cauchy sequences or infinite decimal representations), and each is better suited for a different application, so also β -rational numbers and their definition can turn out to be more suitable in some applications than other well-established concepts.

 Q_{β} is defined as a set of α -strings. An α -string is a new concept in this thesis which is a generalization of a string. A string is a well-known concept in the field of Computer Science. An α -rational is represented by a binary α -string. Binary representations are common in Computer Science. Transfinite binary representations are less common, but not new in this thesis, e.g. they are very useful (but usually implicit) in general priority arguments in α -Computability Theory.

As Q_{β} is a new concept in this thesis, also all results specific to it. The chapter uses a general well-known result from the model theory about the infinite countable dense orders (theorem 5.3.1).

2.5.5 Chapter 6: Semicomputable cut in Q_{α}

All the material in this chapter is new in α -Computability Theory and generalizes the labelling algorithm and the definability of the total enumeration degrees in the enumeration degrees from the classical Computability Theory [2]. The generalization is not straight-forward and it is claimed that the most creative and novel work of the thesis is present in this chapter.

2.5.6 Chapter 7: Embedding Theorem

All the material in this chapter is new in α -Computability Theory and generalized from classical Computability Theory. The Selman's Theorem is generalized from [24][30]. The Embedding Theorem is generalized from [2] p13.

Chapter 3

α -Computability Theory

 α -Computability Theory is the study of the definability theory over Gödel's L_{α} where α is an admissible ordinal. In this thesis, α always denotes an admissible ordinal. One can think of equivalent definitions on Turing machines with a transfinite tape and time [12] [13] [14] [15] or on generalized register machines [16]. Recommended references for α -Computability Theory are [23], [4], [17] and [6]. Classical Computability Theory is α -Computability Theory restricted to $\alpha = \omega$.

In this chapter we introduce key notions and topics in α -Computability Theory relevant to this thesis including admissibility, α -finiteness, α -computability, α -computable enumerability, relativization, projectum, regularity, quasiregularity, hyperregularity and megaregularity, α -enumeration reducibility and α reducibility, degrees and an α -enumeration jump. We observe that α -Computability Theory behaves more like classical Computability Theory when α is an infinite regular cardinal. Finally, we perform a simple construction involving a pattern central to more complex arguments presented later in this thesis.

A lot of content in this chapter is essential to read the main results in chapter 4, chapter 5, chapter 6 and chapter 7. Many statements in this chapter are invoked in later proofs so frequently that their use is often implicit.

3.1 Set Theory

We mainly introduce Gödel's constructible hierarchy, Kripke-Platek set theory and admissible ordinals. Background on Set Theory can found in [8]. The material on admissible sets is mainly in [1].

Everything in this section is well-known except the notion of the ordinal sum (definition 3.1.7).

3.1.1 Ordinals and cardinals

Definition 3.1.1. (Ordinal and cardinal [8])

- The relation <⊆ *X* × *X* is a *well-order* on *X* iff it is a total order and every non-empty subset of *X* has a least element wrt <.
- The set X is *transitive* iff $\forall Y \in X \forall Z \in Y.Z \in X$.
- An *ordinal* is a transitive set well-ordered by \in .
- A *cardinal* is an ordinal which is equal to its own cardinality.

Definition 3.1.2. (Cofinality of an ordinal [8])

The cofinality of an ordinal α is denoted as $cf(\alpha)$ and defined as:

- $cf(0) \coloneqq 0$,
- $cf(\gamma + 1) \coloneqq 1$,
- $\operatorname{cf}(\delta) \coloneqq \min\{\gamma \leq \delta : \exists f : \gamma \to \delta [\forall \epsilon < \delta \exists \beta < \gamma. f(\beta) > \epsilon]\}$ if $\lim(\delta)$.

Definition 3.1.3. (Regular and singular cardinal [8])

A *regular* cardinal is a cardinal that is equal to its own cofinality. Otherwise the cardinal is called *singular*.

Example 3.1.4. [8] \aleph_0 and $\aleph_{\gamma+1}$ are regular cardinals. \aleph_{ω_n} is a singular cardinal for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

3.1.2 Ordinal arithmetic

Fact 3.1.5. [8] An ordinal α is a limit ordinal iff there exists an ordinal β s.t. $\alpha = \omega \cdot \beta$.

Theorem 3.1.6. (Cantor Normal Form - CNF [8])

For every positive ordinal α there exist unique positive integers a_1, \ldots, a_k and ordinals $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k$ satisfying $\alpha_1 > \ldots > \alpha_k \ge 0$ s.t.

$$\alpha = \omega^{\alpha_1} \cdot a_1 + \ldots + \omega^{\alpha_k} \cdot a_k.$$

We define the ordinal sum. In α -Computability, the computations are performed within α time where α is an ordinal strong enough to be closed under the ordinal sum. This property is exploited in chapter 6.

Definition 3.1.7. (Ordinal sum¹)

For an ordinal γ we define the $\mathit{ordinal sum} \sum_{\beta < \gamma} \beta$ recursively:

¹Introduce in this thesis.

- $\sum_{\beta < 0} \beta \coloneqq 0$,
- $\sum_{\beta < \gamma + 1} \beta \coloneqq \left(\sum_{\beta < \gamma} \beta \right) + \gamma$,
- $\sum_{\beta < \delta} \beta := \sup\{\sum_{\beta < \gamma} \beta : \gamma < \delta\} \text{ if } \lim(\delta).$

Proposition 3.1.8. ² Let $\alpha = \omega^{\alpha_1} \cdot a_1 + \ldots + \omega^{\alpha_k} \cdot a_k$ be an ordinal greater than ω expressed in CNF where $\alpha_1 > \ldots > \alpha_k \ge 0$. Then

 $\text{i) } \forall \beta < \alpha (\beta + \alpha = \alpha) \iff \forall \beta, \gamma < \alpha (\beta + \gamma < \alpha) \iff \exists \delta (\alpha = \omega^{\delta}),$

ii)
$$\forall \beta < \alpha(\beta \cdot \alpha = \alpha) \iff \forall \beta, \gamma < \alpha(\beta \cdot \gamma < \alpha) \iff \exists \epsilon (\alpha = \omega^{\omega^{\epsilon}}),$$

- iii) $\sum_{\beta < \alpha} \beta = \alpha \iff \exists \delta(\lim(\delta) \land \alpha = \omega^{\delta}),$
- iv) $1 + \alpha = \alpha \iff \alpha_k \ge 1$,
- v) $\omega \cdot \alpha = \alpha \iff \alpha_k \ge \omega$,
- vi) $\lim(\delta) \implies \alpha \cdot \delta = \omega^{\alpha_1} \cdot \delta$.

3.1.3 Gödel's Constructible Universe

Definition 3.1.9. (Gödel's Constructible Universe [4][23])

Let Ord represent the class of all ordinals. *Gödel's constructible universe* is denoted by L and defined by transfinite recursion as follows:

- $L_0 \coloneqq \emptyset$,
- L_{γ+1} := Def(L_γ) := {x | x ⊆ L_γ and x is first-order definable over L_γ} for any γ ∈ Ord,
- $L_{\delta} \coloneqq \bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} L_{\gamma}$ for a limit ordinal $\delta \in \texttt{Ord}$,
- $L \coloneqq \bigcup_{\beta \in \texttt{Ord}} L_{\beta}$.

3.1.4 Kripke-Platek set theory

Definition 3.1.10. (Kripke-Platek set theory axioms [1])

- Extensionality: $\forall a, b[a = b \iff \forall x[x \in a \iff x \in b]]$
- Empty set: $\exists a \forall x.x \notin a$

²Some of these facts can be found as exercises to the course Axiomatic Set Theory taught by Peter Holy [7].

- Pairing: $\forall a \forall b \exists c.c = \{a, b\}$
- Union: $\forall a \exists b \forall x [x \in b \iff \exists y [x \in y \land y \in a]]$
- Induction: For any formula $\phi(x)$ the following holds:

 $\forall x [\forall y \in x.\phi(y) \implies \phi(x)] \implies \forall x.\phi(x).$

- Σ_0 -separation: For any Σ_0 formula $\phi(x)$ the following holds: $\forall a \exists b \forall x [x \in b \iff x \in a \land \phi(x)].$
- Σ_0 -collection: For any Σ_0 formula $\phi(x, y)$ the following holds:

 $\forall u [\forall x \in u \exists y. \phi(x, y) \implies \exists z \forall x \in u \exists y \in z. \phi(x, y)].$

3.1.5 Admissible ordinal

Definition 3.1.11. (Admissible ordinal [4][1])

An ordinal α is Σ_n admissible iff α is a limit ordinal and L_α satisfies Σ_n-collection:

 $\forall \phi(x,y) \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha). L_\alpha \models \forall u [\forall x \in u \exists y. \phi(x,y) \implies \exists z \forall x \in u \exists y \in z. \phi(x,y)]$ where L_α is the α -th level of the Gödel's Constructible Hierarchy (definition 3.1.9).

• An ordinal α is *admissible* iff α is Σ_1 admissible.

Throughout the rest of the thesis, the ordinal α is always an admissible ordinal unless a weaker assumption is made explicitly.

Definition 3.1.12. (Stable ordinal [1])

An ordinal β is stable iff $L_{\beta} \prec_{\Sigma_1} L$, i.e. L_{β} is a Σ_1 elementary substructure of L.

Example 3.1.13. (Examples of admissible ordinals [4] [31])

- ω_1^{CK} the Church-Kleene ordinal, the first non-computable ordinal,
- every stable ordinal α, e.g. δ₂¹ the least ordinal which is not an order type of a Δ₂¹ subset of N, 1st stable ordinal,
- every infinite cardinal in a transitive model of \mathbb{ZF}^3 .

Lemma 3.1.14. ⁴ Let α be an admissible ordinal. If $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$ and $A \subseteq K \in L_\alpha$, then $A \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha)$.

³[1] p53 Corollary 3.4.

⁴The relativization of lemma 3.1.14 is proposition 3.4.18.

Proof. This follows from the basic fact that $KP \vdash \Delta_1$ -separation.

Lemma 3.1.15. [1] Let α be an admissible ordinal. If $\delta \leq \alpha$, then $L_{\delta} \preceq_{\Sigma_0} L_{\alpha}$.

Proof. This follows from the fact that L_{δ} is transitive.

For a detailed proof of the relativized statement see proposition 3.4.21.

Lemma 3.1.16. [4] Let α be an admissible ordinal. If $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$ and $A \subseteq K \in L_\alpha$, then $A \in L_\alpha$.

Proof. Assume $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$ and $A \subseteq K \in L_\alpha$. By lemma 3.1.14 $A \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha)$. Note that since the formula defining A is finite, it uses only a finite number of parameters from L_α . Thus there is some $\delta < \alpha$ s.t. all these L_α parameters are in L_δ . As $L_\delta \preceq_{\Sigma_0} L_\alpha$ by lemma 3.1.15 and $A \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha)$, so $A \in \Delta_0(L_\delta)$ and $A \in \text{Def}(L_\delta)$. Therefore $A \in L_\alpha$ as required.

Definition 3.1.17. (Replacement axiom [8])

Let C be a class of formulas, e.g. Σ_n . Then L_α satisfies C-replacement axiom iff we have the following: for any total function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ definable with some formula in C and parameters from L_α and for any $K \in L_\alpha$ it is true that $f[K] \in L_\alpha$,

Lemma 3.1.18. If $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -collection, then $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement.

Proof. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -collection. Assume $f \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$, $K \in L_{\alpha}$ and $f[K] \subseteq \hat{K} \in L_{\alpha}$. Note $f[K] \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha})$. Thus $f[K] \in L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 3.1.16. Therefore $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement as required.

Proposition 3.1.19. (Equivalent notions of admissibility⁵) Let α be a limit ordinal. TFAE:

- α is admissible,
- L_{α} satisfies Σ_1 -collection,
- L_{α} satisfies Σ_0 -collection,
- $L_{\alpha} \models \text{KP}$ where KP is Kripke-Platek set theory,
- L_α ⊨ Σ₁-replacement for total functions: for any total Σ₁(L_α) definable function f : α → α and for any K ∈ L_α it is true that f[K] ∈ L_α,
- L_α ⊨ Σ₁-replacement for partial function: for any partial Σ₁(L_α) definable function f : α → α and for any K ∈ L_α: if f[K] is defined (i.e. ∀x ∈ K.f(x) ↓), then f[K] ∈ L_α.

⁵Uses [23] Chapter VII: Admissibility and Regularity, Section 1.1 and Proposition 1.5. More material on this can be also found in [1].

Proof. To prove the proposition note the following facts. By Proposition VII.1.5 of [23] we have: α is admissible iff $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_0$ -Collection. Note that $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -collection implies $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement by lemma 3.1.18.

If $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement, then imply that $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_0$ -collection by constructing a total function $f : \alpha \to \alpha \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ from $\Sigma_0(L_{\alpha})$ formula $\phi(x, y)$.

Admissibility and cofinality

Definition 3.1.20. $(\Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \text{ cofinality}^6)$ Let $\rho \le \alpha$. $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ cofinality of ρ is defined as

 $\sigma_n \mathrm{cf}_{\alpha}(\rho) \coloneqq \min\{\beta \leq \rho : \exists f : \beta \to \rho \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}) [\forall \delta < \rho \exists \gamma < \beta. f(\gamma) > \delta]\}.$ Abbreviate $\sigma_n \mathrm{cf}_{\alpha}(\alpha)$ as $\sigma_n \mathrm{cf}(\alpha)$.

The ordinal $\sigma_n cf(\alpha)$ measures the extend to which α is not admissible:

Proposition 3.1.21. ⁷ α is Σ_n admissible iff $\sigma_n cf(\alpha) = \alpha$.

Proof. α is Σ_n admissible iff $L_\alpha \models \Sigma_n$ -collection iff $\sigma_n cf(\alpha) = \alpha$.

Corollary 3.1.22. ⁸ If α is not admissible, then $\sigma_0 cf(\alpha) < \alpha$.

Proof. Assume that α is not admissible. Then α is not Σ_0 admissible by proposition 3.1.19. Hence $\sigma_0 cf(\alpha) < \alpha$ by proposition 3.1.21.

Computably inaccessible ordinal

Remark 3.1.23. A limit of admissible ordinals may not be an admissible ordinal. An ordinal which is admissible and a limit of admissible ordinals is called to be *computably inaccessible*.

Fact 3.1.24. ⁹ If $\alpha > \omega$ is admissible and $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -separation, then α is computably inaccessible.

Proposition 3.1.25. ¹⁰ Let $\alpha > \omega$ be an admissible ordinal.

- 1. If $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_2$ -replacement, then there exists $C \subseteq \alpha$ s.t. $\forall \beta \in C.L_{\beta} \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement and $\alpha = \sup(C)$.
- 2. Therefore if an admissible ordinal α has a maximal admissible predecessor, then L_{α} cannot satisfy Σ_2 -replacement.

⁶[4] Definition 1.24

⁷[**4**] 1.24

⁸This statement was discussed with Robert Lubarsky.

⁹Follows from [1] p175 Theorem 6.3. and p176 Theorem 6.8.

¹⁰The proof pointed out by Michael Rathjen.

Proof. As $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_2$ -replacement, so $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_1$ -separation. Hence α is computably inaccessible by fact 3.1.24. Therefore the statement 1 is true.

The statement 2 follows from the statement 1.

Closure under ordinal operations

The strength of an admissible ordinal reflects in the strength of its closure under ordinal operations. Every admissible ordinal $\alpha > \omega$, is also an ϵ ordinal, i.e. $\omega^{\alpha} = \alpha$. Hence proposition 3.1.8 implies proposition 3.1.26 below.

Proposition 3.1.26. ¹¹ Let α be an admissible ordinal and β , $\gamma < \alpha$, then

- i) $\beta + \gamma < \alpha$,
- ii) $\beta \cdot \gamma < \alpha$,
- iii) $\beta^{\gamma} < \alpha$.

Proposition 3.1.27. [9] If α is an admissible ordinal, then $\alpha = \omega$ or $\omega \cdot \alpha = \alpha$.

Proof. For $\alpha = \omega$ both statements clearly hold. So suppose that $\alpha > \omega$. By proposition 3.1.26 an admissible ordinal is closed under ordinal multiplication. Hence by the proposition 3.1.8ii there exists an ordinal ϵ s.t. $\alpha = \omega^{\omega^{\epsilon}}$.

The proposition 3.1.27 is true since $\omega^{\epsilon} \geq \omega$ and hence by the proposition 3.1.8v we have $\omega \cdot \alpha = \alpha$.

Proposition 3.1.28. ¹² If α is an admissible ordinal, then $\sum_{\beta < \alpha} \beta = \alpha$.

Proof. Recall the definition of the ordinal sum $\sum_{\beta < \alpha} \beta$ for an ordinal α (definition 3.1.7). Let $\delta := \omega^{\epsilon}$, then δ is a limit ordinal and $\alpha = \omega^{\delta}$ and so by the proposition 3.1.8iii we have $\sum_{\beta < \alpha} \beta = \alpha$.

3.2 Basic concepts in α -Computability Theory

The statements in this section are very common in α -Computability Theory and can be found or used in [4][23].

Assume that α is an admissible ordinal. In α -Computability Theory, sets in L_{α} play a similar role that finite sets play in the classical Computability Theory.

Definition 3.2.1. [4] A set $K \subseteq \alpha$ is α -finite iff $K \in L_{\alpha}$.

¹¹[1] p274 Corollary 3.5.

¹²Introduced in this thesis.

Proposition 3.2.2. [4] There exists a $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ definable bijection $b : \alpha \to L_\alpha$. \Box

Hence we can index α -finite sets with an index in α . Let K_{γ} denote an α -finite set $b(\gamma)$.

Proposition 3.2.3. [17][4] For every *n*, there is a $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ definable bijection

 $p_n: \alpha \to \alpha \times \alpha \times \ldots \times \alpha$ (n-fold product).

By proposition 3.2.3 we can also index pairs and other finite vectors from α^n by an index in α . Moreover, by proposition 3.2.3 one can consider a partial function $f : \alpha \times \alpha \times \ldots \times \alpha \rightharpoonup \alpha$ and its graph to be subsets of α .

Remark 3.2.4. [4] If K_1 and K_2 are α -finite subsets of α , then using the admissibility of α and proposition 3.2.3 the set $p_2^{-1}[K_1 \times K_2]$ is α -finite. Thus we can encode products of α -finite sets as α -finite subsets of α using p_n . This fact will be used implicitly.

Recall definition 2.1.2 that A is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ definable iff $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ iff A is definable with a Σ_1 formula with parameters in L_α .

Definition 3.2.5. (α -computability and computable enumerability [4])

- A function f : α → α is α-computable iff the graph of f is Σ₁(L_α) definable.
- A set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is α -computably enumerable (α -c.e.) iff $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$.
- A set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is α -computable iff $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$ iff $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $\alpha A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$.

Instead of using the definability over L_{α} , an alternative approach to α -Computability Theory studies computation on extended Turing machines.

Remark 3.2.6. (α -Computability on an extended Turing machine [14])) Let an α -machine be a Turing machine with time α and tape length α .

- $f: \alpha \to \alpha$ is α -computable iff f is α -machine computable,
- A is α -computable iff A is α -machine computable,
- A is α -c.e. iff A is α -machine c.e.

Proposition 3.2.7. ¹³ For every set $A \subseteq \alpha$ we have:

$$A \in L_{\alpha}$$
 iff $A \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha})$ and A is bounded by some $\beta < \alpha$.

¹³Proposition 1.12b in [4].

Proof. This follows from the fact that $L_{\alpha} \models \Delta_1$ -separation.

For a detailed proof of a more general result, see lemma 3.4.13.

Fact 3.2.8. ¹⁴ TFAE:

- i) A is α -c.e.,
- ii) $\exists f : \alpha \rightharpoonup \alpha \text{ s.t. } f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land A = \operatorname{dom}(f),$
- iii) $\exists f : \alpha \to \alpha \text{ s.t. } f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land A = \operatorname{rng}(f).$

Theorem 3.2.9. (Uniformization Theorem¹⁵)

Let $n \ge 1$. For each $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ relation R(x, y) there is a $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ function f satisfying

$$\forall x < \alpha [\text{ if } \exists y < \alpha. L_{\alpha} \models R(x, y), \text{ then } L_{\alpha} \models R(x, f(x))].$$

Proposition 3.2.10. (α -finite union of α -finite sets¹⁶) α -finite union of α -finite sets is α -finite, i.e. if $K \in L_{\gamma}$, then $\bigcup_{\gamma \in K} K_{\gamma} \in L_{\alpha}$.

Proof. Follows from lemma 3.5.4 i).

Proposition 3.2.11. Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha$. If A is unbounded and $B \in L_{\alpha}$, then $A - B \notin L_{\alpha}$.

Proof. As $B \in L_{\alpha}$, so B is bounded. Thus A - B has to be unbounded and hence cannot be α -finite.

Note 3.2.12. Suppose that $A \subseteq \alpha$ and $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ are α -computable. Is it true that f[A] is also α -computable?

Not in general using fact 3.2.8 and the fact that there are α -computably enumerable sets which are not α -computable.

Fact 3.2.13. For any $A \subseteq \alpha$, it must hold $[A \notin L_{\alpha} \lor \overline{A} \notin L_{\alpha}]$.

Proposition 3.2.14. $\forall f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)[\operatorname{dom}(f) \in L_\alpha \implies f \in L_\alpha].$

Proof. Define $g: x \mapsto \langle x, f(x) \rangle$. Note $g \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ since

$$z \in g \iff \exists x \exists y [z = \langle x, \langle x, y \rangle \rangle \land (x, y) \in f]$$

and $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. But then $f = g[\operatorname{dom}(f)] \in L_\alpha$ as required since $\operatorname{dom}(f) \in L_\alpha$, $g \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and α is admissible.

The computable join turns out to be very useful to encode within one set the information from two sets.

¹⁴From Proposition 1.12a in [4].

¹⁵Theorem 1.27 in [4].

¹⁶From [23] p162.

Definition 3.2.15. ¹⁷ The *computable join* of sets $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ denoted $A \oplus B$ is defined to be

 $A \oplus B \coloneqq \{2a : a \in A\} \cup \{2b+1 : b \in B\}.$

The computable join satisfies the usual properties of the case $\alpha = \omega$.

3.3 Higher Order Definability

Recall that L_{α} is defined using the first order definability possibly transfinitely many times. The first order definability over such L_{α} relates to the higher order definability for a suitable α . Thus α -Computability Theory in one way is a study of the higher order definability too.

Let HYP denote the class of the hyperarithmetic sets. Recall Σ_n^1 , Π_n^1 , Δ_n^1 are second order definable classes. Let $n : \mathcal{O} \rightharpoonup \omega_1^{CK}$ take a computable notation in Kleene's $\mathcal{O} \subseteq \omega$ to the ordinal represented by it. Then:

Theorem 3.3.1. (Correspondence with second-order definability[4][23])

i) $\forall A \subseteq \omega[A \in \mathrm{HYP} \iff A \in \Delta_1^1 \iff A \in L_{\omega_1^{CK}}],$

ii)
$$\forall A \subseteq \omega_1^{CK} [A \in L_{\omega_1^{CK}} \iff n^{-1}[A] \in \Delta_1^1],$$

- $\text{iii)} \ \forall A \subseteq \omega_1^{CK} [A \in \Sigma_1^0(L_{\omega_1^{CK}}) \iff n^{-1}[A] \in \Pi_1^1],$
- iv) $\forall A \subseteq \omega[A \in L_{\delta_2^1} \iff A \in \Delta_2^1],$
- v) $\forall A \subseteq \omega[A \in \Sigma_1^0(L_{\delta_2^1}) \iff A \in \Sigma_2^1].$

3.4 Relativization

We study the definability over L_{α} with a parameter $B \subseteq \alpha$. This can be thought of as an analogue of the oracle computation with the oracle B. Once we generalize the Turing and enumeration reducibilities later in section 3.7.1, we will compare them in section 3.9 with this parametrized definability of section 3.4 in a useful way.

The definability with a parameter is very common and widely used in [1][4][23] for example. Hence the results with a general parameter in this section are not new.

On the other hand, the restriction to a positive or a negative parameter seems to be introduced in this thesis for the first time, although it is a very natural direction to explore. Consequently, the results concerned with the definability with a positive parameter are assumed to be new in this thesis.

¹⁷From [4] p8.
3.4.1 Model with a parameter

We parametrize the arithmetical hierarchy and define a model L_{α} with a parameter $B \subseteq \alpha$.

Definition 3.4.1. (Arithmetical hierarchy with a parameter¹⁸)

Let $B \subseteq \alpha$. We call the expression B^+ a *positive parameter* and the expression B^- a *negative parameter*. Let $QF(\mathcal{A})$ denote the class of quantifier free formulas with parameters from \mathcal{A} . We define recursively $QF(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ - the class of quantifier free formulas with $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$ as a parameter as follows:

- if $K, M \in L_{\alpha}$, then $x_i = x_j, x_i = M, K = x_j$ and K = M are in $QF(L_{\alpha})$,
- if $K \in L_{\alpha}$, then $x \in K$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha})$,
- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha})$, then $\neg \phi(\overline{x})$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha})$,
- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha})$, then $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ for $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$,
- $x \in B$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$,
- $\neg x \in B$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha}, B^{-})$,
- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$ or in $QF(L_{\alpha}, B^-)$, then $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $QF(L_{\alpha}, B)$,
- if φ(x̄) and ψ(x̄) are both in QF(A), then both φ(x̄) ∧ ψ(x̄) and φ(x̄) ∨ ψ(x̄) are in QF(A).

We define $\Delta_0(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ - the class of formulas with bounded quantifiers with $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$ as a parameter as follows:

- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in QF(L_{α}, \mathcal{B}), then $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Delta_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$,
- if $K \in L_{\alpha}$ and $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Delta_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$, then both $\exists x_i \in K.\phi(\overline{x})$ and $\forall x_i \in K.\phi(\overline{x})$ are in $\Delta_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$.
- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Delta_0(L_\alpha, B^+)$ or in $\Delta_0(L_\alpha, B^-)$, then $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Delta_0(L_\alpha, B)$.

Let $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}) \coloneqq \Pi_0(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}) \coloneqq \Delta_0(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$. Then $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ is the class of formulas with an existential quantifier and with \mathcal{B} as a parameter. More precisely we define $\Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ as follows:

• if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Pi_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$, then $\forall x_i . \phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Pi_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ and $\exists x_i . \phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$,

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¹⁸Introduced in this thesis.

- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$, then $\exists x_i.\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ and $\forall x_i.\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Pi_{n+1}(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$,
- if φ(x̄) is in Θ_n(L_α, B⁺) or in Θ_n(L_α, B⁻), then φ(x̄) is in Θ_n(L_α, B) for Θ ∈ {Σ, Π},
- close the classes Σ_n, Π_n under the equivalence of the formulas.

Finally, define $\Delta_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ as follows:

- $\Delta_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}) \coloneqq \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}) \cap \Pi_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}),$
- if $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Delta_n(L_\alpha, B^+)$ or in $\Delta_n(L_\alpha, B^-)$, then $\phi(\overline{x})$ is in $\Delta_n(L_\alpha, B)$,
- close the classes Δ_n under the equivalence of the formulas.

Proposition 3.4.2. ¹⁹ Let f be a partial function. Let $A \subseteq \alpha$. Then

- i) $\operatorname{dom}(f) \in \Pi^0_n(L_\alpha, A) \implies [f \in \Sigma^0_n(L_\alpha, A) \iff f \in \Delta^0_n(L_\alpha, A)],$
- $\text{ii) } \operatorname{dom}(f) \in \Delta^1_n \implies [f \in \Sigma^1_n \iff f \in \Pi^1_n \iff f \in \Delta^1_n].$

Proof. As *f* is a function,

$$f(x) = y \iff \forall z[y = z \lor f(x) \neq z] \land x \in \operatorname{dom}(f).$$

Proposition 3.4.3. ²⁰ The following are true:

- i) if $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$, then $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$,
- ii) If $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$, then $\phi(x, K) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ for $K \in L_\alpha$.

Proof. The statement i is clearly true as the definability with the positive parameter B^+ is just the definability with the parameter B with some additional restrictions on what reference to B can be made.

To prove the statement ii, note that if $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$, then for any Kwe have $\phi(x, K) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, K)$ by applying syntactic substitution of B with K. However, if in addition $K \in L_\alpha$, then $\phi(x, K) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as K is included as a parameter in L_α already.

Proposition 3.4.4. (Properties of arithmetic definability²¹)

i) $\Theta_n(L_{\alpha}, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+) = \Theta_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$ where $\Theta \in \{\Delta, \Sigma, \Pi\}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$,

¹⁹Adapted from proposition 1.7 in [23].

²⁰Introduced in this thesis.

²¹Introduced in this thesis.

- ii) $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B) \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B) \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, B).$
- *Proof.* i) We would like to show that for any formula ϕ and for any $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have

$$\phi \in \Theta_n(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+) \iff \phi \in \Theta_n(L_\alpha, B)$$

up to the equivalence of ϕ . By expressing the formula ϕ in a prenex form we reduce the problem to proving only the following two statements for any formula ϕ :

$$\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+) \iff \phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B), \tag{3.1}$$

$$\phi \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+) \iff \phi \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, B).$$
(3.2)

Assume $\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+)$ and let $\phi \equiv \exists \overline{x} \phi'$ for $\phi' \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+)$. Obtain the formula ϕ'' from the formula ϕ' by replacing every atom $x \in B \oplus \overline{B}$ for every variable x with the equivalent α -computable subformula $\exists y \leq x[(x = 2y \land y \in B) \lor (x = 2y + 1 \land y \notin \overline{B})]$. Observe $\phi' \equiv \phi''$. Note that $\phi'' \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B)$ and so $\phi \equiv \exists \overline{x} \phi'' \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$. Hence $\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+) \implies \phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ up to the equivalence of ϕ .

For the other direction, assume $\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ and let $\phi \equiv \exists \overline{x} \phi'$ for $\phi' \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, B)$. Use De Morgan's law to move the negations to the literals. To obtain the formula ϕ'' from ϕ' , replace every literal $\neg x \in B$ with the subformula $2x + 1 \in B \oplus \overline{B}$ and afterwards every literal $x \in B$ with the subformula $2x \in B \oplus \overline{B}$. Observe $\phi' \equiv \phi''$. Note that $\phi'' \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+)$ and so $\phi \equiv \exists \overline{x} \phi'' \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+)$. Hence $\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B) \implies \phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+)$ up to the equivalence of ϕ . Thus statement (3.1) is true. Statement (3.2) follows from a similar proof where Σ_1 and \exists are replaced by Π_1 and \forall respectively. Therefore $\Theta_n(L_\alpha, (B \oplus \overline{B})^+) = \Theta_n(L_\alpha, B)$ where $\Theta \in \{\Delta, \Sigma, \Pi\}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ as required.

ii) Note
$$A \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \iff A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \land A \in \Pi_1(L_{\alpha})$$

 $\iff A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \land \overline{A} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B).$
Similarly, $A \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \iff A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \land A \in \Pi_1(L_{\alpha})$
 $\iff \overline{A} \in \Pi_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \land A \in \Pi_1(L_{\alpha}, B) \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Pi_1(L_{\alpha}, B).$

Remark 3.4.5. (Model with a parameter²²)

If $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^-, B^+\}$ is a parameter in a formula $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$, we face a difficulty of interpreting the literal $x \in B$ (or $x \notin B$) in the model L_{α} if $B \notin L_{\alpha}$.

²²This should not be confused with a relativized model $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle$ in [4] p18 with the same notation.

For this purpose we define an extended model $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ which is a pair of L_{α} and a set $B \subseteq \alpha$. The language of the interpretable formulas over the model $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ is extended by a predicate B and has restrictions on the formulas depending on \mathcal{B} to comply with definition 3.4.1.

Note the definability over L_{α} with a parameter \mathcal{B} is equivalent to the definability over $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$. Hence we use them interchangeably.

3.4.2 Bounded quantifier rearrangement

When having a formula with bounded quantifiers in front of the unbounded quantifiers, it is possible to rearrange it to an equivalent formula where the bounded quantifiers are behind the unbounded quantifiers. This rearrangement is the source of many statements in this subsection about the arithmetical hierarchy of the formulas with the unbounded quantifiers.

Proposition 3.4.6. [23] Assume that $\phi(x, y, z)$ is a $\Delta_0(L_\alpha)$ -formula. Then the formula $\forall y \in K \exists z. \phi(x, y, z)$ is equivalent to some $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ formula.

Proof. It is sufficient to prove the claim

$$\forall y \in K \exists z.\phi(x,y,z) \iff \exists H \forall y \in K \exists z \in H.\phi(x,y,z).$$

The \Leftarrow direction is clear. For the \implies direction assume $\forall y \in K \exists z.\phi(x, y, z)$. Define a partial function

$$f = \{(y, z) \in \alpha \times \alpha : y \in K \land \phi(x, y, z) \land \forall z' < z. \neg \phi(x, y, z')\}.$$

The function f is Δ_0 definable with K as a parameter from L_{α} . Thus f is Σ_1 definable over L_{α} . By the admissibility of α and the α -finiteness of K, the set H := f[K] must by α -finite. Furthermore, note that $\forall y \in K \exists z \in H.\phi(x, y, z)$.
Hence $\exists H \forall y \in K \exists z \in H.\phi(x, y, z)$ as required.

We generalize proposition 3.4.6 to proposition 3.4.7 and proposition 3.4.9.

Proposition 3.4.7. ²³ Let $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ collection. Assume that $\phi(x, y, z)$ is a $\Delta_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ formula. Then the formula $\forall y \in K \exists z. \phi(x, y, z)$ is equivalent to some $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ formula.

Proof. It is sufficient to prove the claim

 $\forall y \in K \exists z.\phi(x,y,z) \iff \exists H \forall y \in K \exists z \in H.\phi(x,y,z).$

The \Leftarrow direction is clear. For the \implies direction assume $\forall y \in K \exists z.\phi(x, y, z)$. Note $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection and $\phi(x, y, z) \in \Delta_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$. Therefore $\exists H \forall y \in K \exists z \in H.\phi(x, y, z)$ as required.

²³Introduced in this thesis.

Fact 3.4.8. Suppose that the collection axiom holds for the formula ϕ . Then:

- i) $\forall y_1 \in K_1 \exists y_2.\phi(y_1, y_2) \iff \exists K_2 \forall y_1 \in K_1 \exists y_2 \in K_2.\phi(y_1, y_2)$
- ii) $\exists y_1 \in K_1 \forall y_2. \neg \phi(y_1, y_2) \iff \forall K_2 \exists y_1 \in K_1 \forall y_2 \in K_2. \neg \phi(y_1, y_2)$

Proposition 3.4.9. (Bounded quantifier rearrangement²⁴)

Let $B \subseteq \alpha$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $K \in L_{\alpha}$. Define $\Pi_{-1} \coloneqq \emptyset$. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Pi_{n-1}$ -collection or $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection. Then:

- i) $\phi \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, B) \implies \exists \psi \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, B) [\psi \equiv \forall y \in K.\phi(y)]$
- ii) $\phi \in \Pi_n(L_\alpha, B) \implies \exists \psi \in \Pi_n(L_\alpha, B)[\psi \equiv \exists y \in K.\phi(y)]$

Proof. First note that $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection or $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Pi_{n-1}$ -collection implies $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Pi_m$ -collection for any m < n.

We prove the statements by the induction on $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The base case when n = 0is trivial. For the inductive case, assume IH that the statements hold for some n. Let $\phi \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, B)$. Then $\phi \equiv \exists y' . \phi'(y, y')$ for some $\phi'(y, y') \in \Pi_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$. We have

$$\forall y \in K \exists y'. \phi'(y, y') \iff \exists K' \forall y \in K \exists y' \in K'. \phi'(y, y')$$

by $\Pi_n(L_\alpha, B)$ -collection and fact 3.4.8i. By IH the formula $\exists y' \in K'.\phi'(y, y')$ is equivalent to some $\Pi_n(L_\alpha, B)$ formula. Hence $\exists K' \forall y \in K \exists y' \in K'.\phi'(y, y')$ is equivalent to some formula $\psi \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha, B)$. Therefore using the equivalence,

$$\forall y \in K.\phi(y) \equiv \forall y \in K \exists y'.\phi'(y,y') \equiv \exists K' \forall y \in K \exists y' \in K'.\phi'(y,y') \equiv \psi$$

as required.

The second statement for the formula $\phi \in \Pi_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, B)$ holds by applying the first statement on the formula $\neg \phi$ which is $\Sigma_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, B)$ up to equivalence. This completes the induction.

3.4.3 Transitivity for the arithmetical definability

If A is definable from the parameter B and B is definable from the parameter C, then A is definable from the parameter C. This subsection explorers the exact first-order definability class of A with the parameter C given the definability class of A with the parameter B and the definability class of B with the parameter C.

Proposition 3.4.10. (Transitivity for the arithmetical definability²⁵) Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, C \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection. Then:

i) $\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B), B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C) \implies \exists \psi [\phi \equiv \psi \text{ and } \psi \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)].$

²⁴Introduced in this thesis.

²⁵No reference known. Possibly new in this thesis.

- ii) $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B), B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C) \implies A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)$
- $\text{iii)} \ \phi \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, B), B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C) \implies \exists \psi [\phi \equiv \psi \text{ and } \psi \in \Pi_n(L_\alpha, C)].$
- iv) $A \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, B), B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C) \implies A \in \Pi_n(L_\alpha, C)$
- v) $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B), B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C) \implies A \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$

Proof. As $B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$, so $x \in B \iff \theta(x, C)$ for some formula $\theta(x, C) \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$.

For the first statement, let $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ be a formula where \overline{x} is a list of variables. WLOG let $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ be in a prenex normal form, i.e. have all the negations, conjunctions and disjunctions in its quantifier-free subformula. Replace an atom $x' \in B$ in the formula $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ by the subformula $\theta(x', C)$. Denote the new formula by $\psi(\overline{x}, C)$. We will prove by the structural induction on the formula that $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)$. Note that $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ and $\psi(\overline{x}, C)$ are equivalent. This implies $\phi \equiv \psi$ and $\psi \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)$ as required.

For the second statement, let $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ be a formula defining A. Note that $\phi(x, B)$ and $\psi(x, C)$ define the same set A. This implies $A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)$ as required.

The third and the fourth statements follow by the duality from the first and the second respectively.

The statement v follows from the statements ii and iv.

Proof of $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$ if $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in QF(L_\alpha, B)$ by induction

- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in QF(L_{\alpha})$, then $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}, C)$ trivially.
- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = x_i \in B$, then $\psi(\overline{x}, C) = \theta(x_i, C) \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$.
- If φ(x̄, B) = ¬φ'(x̄, B), then by IH φ'(x̄, B) ≡ ψ'(x̄, C) for some formula ψ'(x̄, C) ∈ Δ_n(L_α, C). Thus ψ(x̄, C) = ¬ψ'(x̄, C) ≡ φ(x̄, B) and ψ(x̄, C) ∈ Δ_n(L_α, C) as required.
- Let φ(x̄, B) = φ₀(x̄, B) ♦ φ₁(x̄, B) where ♦ ∈ {∧, ∨} and φ_i(x̄, B) ∈ Σ₁(L_α, B). Then ψ(x̄, C) = ψ₀(x̄, C) ♦ ψ₁(x̄, C). By IH ψ_i(x̄, C) ∈ Δ_n(L_α, C). Hence ψ(x̄, C) ∈ Δ_n(L_α, C).

Proof of $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)$ by induction

• If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in QF(L_{\alpha}, B)$, then $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}, C)$ by the argument above. Thus $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}, C)$.

• Let $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = \forall y \in K.\phi'(\overline{x}, y, B)$. By IH $\phi'(\overline{x}, y, B) \equiv \psi'(\overline{x}, y, C)$ for some $\psi'(\overline{x}, y, C) \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, C)$. Then

 $\psi(\overline{x}, y, C) = \forall y \in K. \psi'(\overline{x}, y, C) \equiv \phi(\overline{x}, y, C).$

Since $\langle L_{\alpha}, C \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection, so $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}, C)$ up to equivalence by proposition 3.4.9.

If φ(x̄, B) = ∃y.φ'(x̄, y, B) or φ(x̄, B) = ∃y ∈ K.φ'(x̄, y, B), then φ'(x̄, y, B) ≡ ψ'(x̄, y, B) for some formula ψ'(x̄, B) ∈ Σ_n(L_α, C) by IH. Thus ψ(x̄, C) ∈ Σ_n(L_α, C) trivially as required.

As all induction steps are covered, this concludes the proof.

Corollary 3.4.11. ²⁶ Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, C \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection. If $B \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}, C)$, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Delta_1$ -collection.

Proof. Let $\phi \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B)$ and let $B \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$. Then by proposition 3.4.10v $\phi \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$ up to equivalence using $\langle L_\alpha, C \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection. As $\langle L_\alpha, C \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection and $\phi \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, C)$ up to equivalence, so the collection holds for $\phi \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B)$. Therefore $\langle L_\alpha, B \rangle \models \Delta_1$ -collection. \Box

3.4.4 Relativized Uniformization Theorem

We prove the relativization of theorem 3.2.9 for the case n = 1.

Lemma 3.4.12. ²⁷ If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection.

Proof. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement. Let $\phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\alpha}, B)$. Define f by

$$(x, y) \in f \iff \phi(x, y) \land \forall y' < y. \neg \phi(x, y).$$

Then $f \in \Sigma_0(L_\alpha, B)$ up to equivalence trivially.

Let $K \in L_{\alpha}$ and assume $\forall x \in K \exists y.\phi(x, y)$. Then $f[K] \in L_{\alpha}$ as $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement. Furthermore, $\forall x \in K \exists y \in f[K].\phi(x, y)$. Therefore $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection as required.

Lemma 3.4.13. ²⁸ Let $A \subseteq \alpha, B \subseteq \alpha, \mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

i) Assume that $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement. Then

 $A \in L_{\alpha}$ iff $A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ and $\exists \beta < \alpha. A \subseteq \beta$.

²⁶No reference known. Possibly new in this thesis.

²⁷A straight-forward generalization of a well-known statement without a parameter, found in [23]VII for example.

²⁸Introduced in this thesis.

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ii) Assume that $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement. Then

$$A \in L_{\alpha}$$
 iff $A \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$ and $\exists \beta < \alpha . A \subseteq \beta$.

Proof. We prove the statement i. The direction \implies is clear. For the other direction, assume that $A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ and $A \subseteq \beta < \alpha$ for some β . WLOG let $A \neq \emptyset$ and let $a \in A$. Define a function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ by

 $f(x) = y \iff (x \in A \land x = y) \lor (x \notin A \land y = a).$

Since $A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$, the function f is $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ definable. As $\langle L_\alpha, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement and β is α -finite, so we have that $A = f[\beta] \in L_\alpha$ as required.

The statement ii follows from the statement i since

$$A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha, B) \iff A \in \Delta_n(L_\alpha, B).$$

Lemma 3.4.14. ²⁹ Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement. Let $W \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$. Then there is a function $\widehat{W} : \alpha \to L_{\alpha} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ s.t.:

i) $\forall \gamma, \delta < \alpha [\gamma < \delta \implies \widehat{W}(\gamma) \subseteq \widehat{W}(\delta)].$

ii)
$$W = \bigcup_{\gamma < \alpha} \widehat{W}(\gamma).$$

iii)
$$\forall x < \alpha [x \in W \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha . x \in \widehat{W}(\gamma)].$$

Proof. As $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement, so $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection by lemma 3.4.12. As $W \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$, so there is a binary relation $P \in \Sigma_0(L_{\alpha}, B)$ s.t. $x \in W \iff \exists y < \alpha . P(x, y)$. Define

$$\widehat{W}(\gamma) \coloneqq \pi_1[\{z \in p_2[\gamma] : P(z)\}] = \pi_1[p_2[\gamma] \cap P]$$

where $p_2 : \alpha \to \alpha \times \alpha$ is an α -computable bijection and $\pi_2 : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ is an α -computable projection. Thus $\widehat{W} : \alpha \to L_{\alpha} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ by proposition 3.4.7 as $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection. The set $A := \{z \in p_2[\gamma] : P(z)\}$ is bounded as $A \subseteq p_2[\gamma] \in L_{\alpha}$. Since $P(z) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\alpha}, B)$, so $A \in \Sigma_0(L_{\alpha}, B)$. As $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement, so $A \in L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 3.4.13. Therefore $\widehat{W}(\gamma) := \pi_1[A] \in L_{\alpha}$ and so W is well-defined. Also observe that the function $\widehat{W} : \alpha \to L_{\alpha}$ satisfies the properties i-iii as required. \Box

Proposition 3.4.15. (Relativized Σ_1 Uniformization Theorem³⁰)

Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement. Let $R \subseteq \alpha \times \alpha$ be a binary $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ definable relation. Then there is a partial function $f \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ s.t. $\forall x \in \operatorname{dom}(R).R(x, f(x))].$

²⁹Introduced in this thesis.

³⁰Introduced in this thesis.

Proof. As $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement, so $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection by lemma 3.4.12. Using lemma 3.4.14, there is a $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ function $\alpha \to L_{\alpha}, t \mapsto R_t$ s.t. $(x, y) \in R \iff \exists t < \alpha.(x, y) \in R_t$. Let $\pi_1 : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ be the α -computable projection to the first parameter. Define $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ by

$$(x,y) \in f \iff \exists t < \alpha[(x,y) \in R_t \land \forall s < t \forall z \in R_s.\pi_1 z \neq x].$$

Then $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ using proposition 3.4.7 and the fact that $\langle L_\alpha, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection. Also $\forall x \in \text{dom}(R).R(x, f(x))$ as required.

3.4.5 Axioms in a parameterized model

We investigate a relationship between separation, replacement and collection in a parameterized model $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ for $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$.

Separation

Remark 3.4.16. (Power of relative separation for bounded parameter)

The relative separation is too strong to be useful for bounded parameters. Let $B \subseteq \beta < \alpha$. Let $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+\}$ and let $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -separation, i.e. if $\phi(x) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$ and $K \in L_{\alpha}$, then $\{x \in K : \phi(x)\} \in L_{\alpha}$. If $\phi(x) \coloneqq x \in B$, then $\phi(x) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B})$. Also $\beta \in L_{\alpha}$. Thus $B = \{x \in \beta : x \in B\} \in L_{\alpha}$. Therefore the definability over $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ is just the definability over L_{α} .

Proposition 3.4.17. ³¹ Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $B \subseteq \alpha$. If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -separation.

Proof. Let $K \in L_{\alpha}$ and $\phi(x) \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$. Define $A := \{x \in K : \phi(x)\}$. Then clearly $A \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$. Also $A \subseteq K$. Therefore $A \in L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 3.4.13ii as required.

Replacement and collection

We show that $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement implies $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection. We outline a difficulty in stating $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection implies $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement where \mathcal{B} is a general parameter.

Proposition 3.4.18. ³² Let $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^-, B^+\}$. Assume $\langle L_\alpha, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection. If $A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ and $A \subseteq K \in L_\alpha$, then $A \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$.

Proof. Since $A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$, we have:

³¹No reference known. Possibly new in this thesis.

³²New in this thesis.

- $x \in A \iff \exists \overline{y}.\phi(x,\overline{y}) \text{ for some } \phi(x,\overline{y}) \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha,\mathcal{B}),$
- $x \notin A \iff \exists \overline{y}.\psi(x,\overline{y}) \text{ for some } \psi(x,\overline{y}) \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha,\mathcal{B}).$

Recall \leq denotes exclusive logic or. As $A \subseteq K \in L_{\alpha}$, we have:

- $\forall x \in K \exists \overline{y}[\phi(x,\overline{y}) \lor \psi(x,\overline{y})]$ where $\phi(x,\overline{y}) \lor \psi(x,\overline{y}) \in \Sigma_0(L_\alpha,\mathcal{B})$.
- $\exists I \in L_{\alpha} \forall x \in K \exists \overline{y} \in I[\phi(x, \overline{y}) \lor \psi(x, \overline{y})]$ since $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection.

Hence we can define A with formulas with bounded quantifiers:

- $x \in A \iff x \in K \land \exists \overline{y} \in I.\phi(x,\overline{y}),$
- $x \notin A \iff x \notin K \lor \exists \overline{y} \in I.\psi(x,\overline{y}).$

Any of the two formulas implies $A \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B})$ as required.

Proposition 3.4.19. ³³ Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement, then $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -collection.

Proof. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement. Let $\phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha})$, $K \in L_{\alpha}$. Assume $\forall x \in K \exists y.\phi(x, y)$. By Uniformization Theorem 3.2.9, there is a function $f \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha})$ s.t. $\forall x \in K.\phi(x, f(x))$. By the Σ_n -replacement, we have $\hat{K} \coloneqq f[K] \in L_{\alpha}$. Furthermore, $\forall x \in K \exists y \in \hat{K}.\phi(x, y)$. Therefore $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -collection.

Proposition 3.4.20. ³⁴ Let $n \in \{0,1\}$. If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -collection.

Proof. The case n = 0 is implied by lemma 3.4.12.

For the other case, assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement. So $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection. Let $\phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$. As $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection and $\phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$, so there is $f \in \Sigma_n(L_{\alpha}, B)$ s.t. $\forall x [\exists y. \phi(x, y) \implies \phi(x, f(x))]$ using proposition 3.4.15.

Let $K \in L_{\alpha}$ and assume $\forall x \in K \exists y.\phi(x,y)$. Then $f[K] \in L_{\alpha}$ as $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement. Furthermore, $\forall x \in K \exists y \in f[K].\phi(x,y)$. Therefore $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_n$ -collection.

Proposition 3.4.21. ³⁵ (Σ_0 -elementary substructure of $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$) Let $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^-, B^+\}$. If $\delta \leq \alpha$, then $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \preceq_{\Sigma_0} \langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$, i.e. $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ is a Σ_0 elementary substructure of $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$.

³³A straight-forward consequence of Uniformization Theorem from [4].

³⁴Introduced in this thesis.

³⁵Introduced in this thesis.

Proof. By definition $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \preceq_{\Sigma_0} \langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ iff for every formula $\phi(\overline{x}) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B})$ we have: $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x})$ iff $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x})$. Let $K \in L_{\delta}$, then trivially for any $x < \delta$ we have: $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models x \in K$ iff $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models x \in K$. Clearly $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models x \in B$ iff $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models x \in B$. Also clearly, $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models x = y$ iff $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models x = y$. Hence $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \phi(x)$ iff $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \phi(x)$ for any atom $\phi(x) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\delta})$. Inductive steps for \wedge, \vee, \neg are clear. Inductive steps for the bounded quantifiers follow from the fact that each quantifier is bounded in some $K \in L_{\delta}$. Hence by the induction on the structure of the formula $\phi(\overline{x}) \in \Sigma_0(L_{\delta})$ we conclude $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x})$ iff $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x})$. Therefore $\langle L_{\delta}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \preceq_{\Sigma_0} \langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$ as required. \Box

Remark 3.4.22. The definability with a predicate $x \in B$ is different from the definability with a set parameter B over L_{δ} if $B \not\subseteq L_{\delta}$. Whereas with the set parameter B we can access all the elements of B, possibly even the ones not in L_{δ} , when using the definability with the predicate $x \in B$, only the elements within the chosen model such as L_{δ} can be accessed. Therefore we cannot use proposition 3.4.18 and proposition 3.4.21 to generalize lemma 3.1.18 to prove that $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection implies $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement.

3.5 α -computable index of a set

We study indexing functions and α -computable operations on such indices. The results of this section are important for later constructions where stage-dependent indexing and α -computability of the construction are important.

Lemma 3.5.1. (Pseudosupremum³⁶)

The function $psup : L_{\alpha} \to \alpha$ defined by

$$psup(K) = \begin{cases} 0 & K = \emptyset\\ sup(K) & K \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

is α -computable.

Proof. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{psup}(K) &= s \iff [s = 0 \land K \subseteq \{0\} \lor \\ s &> 0 \land s \in K \land \forall x \in K. x \leq s \lor \\ s &> 0 \land s \notin K \land \forall x \in K. x < s \land \forall y < s \exists x \in K. y < x\} \end{aligned}$$

from which we deduce that the function psup is α -computable because the quantifiers inside the brackets are bounded.

³⁶Introduced in this thesis.

i)
$$\forall K \in L_{\alpha} \cap \mathcal{P}(\alpha) \exists \eta < \alpha \forall x < \alpha [x \in K \iff i(\eta, x) = 1],$$

ii) $\forall \eta < \alpha.i(\eta) \coloneqq \{x < \alpha : i(\eta, x) = 1\} \in L_{\alpha},$
iii) $\forall \eta < \alpha.s_i(\eta) = \begin{cases} 0 & i(\eta) = \emptyset \\ \sup(i(\eta)) & i(\eta) \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$

Proof. Using the bijection $b : \alpha \to L_{\alpha} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ from proposition 3.2.2 and the function psup from lemma 3.5.1 respectively, define the functions *i* and *s_i*:

$$\begin{split} i(\eta, x) &\coloneqq [x \in b(\eta)], \\ s_i(\eta) &\coloneqq \{s < \alpha : \exists K \in L_\alpha[b(\eta) = K \land \texttt{psup}(K) = s]\}. \end{split}$$

Clearly, *i* and s_i are both the required functions and *i* is α -computable. The function s_i is α -computable because the front quantifier is existential and functions *b* and psup are both α -computable.

Therefore we can label α -finite subsets of α by indices $\eta < \alpha$. Let K_{η} denote an α -finite set $i(\eta)$ with an index η .

Lemma 3.5.3. ³⁸ There exists an α -computable function $g : \alpha \times \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$D_{\eta} := \{ x | g(\eta, x, 1) = 1 \} \in L_{\alpha},$$
$$E_{\eta} := \{ x | g(\eta, x, 2) = 1 \} \in L_{\alpha}$$

and for every pair (\hat{D}, \hat{E}) of α -finite subsets of α there is an index $\eta < \alpha$ s.t. $D_{\eta} = \hat{D}$ and $E_{\eta} = \hat{E}$.

Therefore we can α -effectively number the pairs of the α -finite subsets of α by the indices of α .

Proof. Note that there are α -computable bijections $b : \alpha \to L_{\alpha}$ and $p_2 : \alpha \to \alpha \times \alpha$. Let π_1 and π_2 be the projections. Define $g(\eta, x, k) := [x \in b \circ \pi_k \circ p_2(\eta)]$. Then g is the required α -computable function.

Lemma 3.5.4. ³⁹ Let $i, j, k : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ be any α -computable numberings of α -finite subsets of α with their respective α -computable supremum functions $s_i, s_j, s_k : \alpha \to \alpha$ in a sense of proposition 3.5.2. Then

i) There is an α -computable function $u : \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha. \bigcup_{x \in j(\gamma)} i(x) = k(u(\gamma)).$$

³⁷From proposition 1.7 in [4].

³⁸Introduced in this thesis.

 $^{^{39}}$ Frequently used, yet usually implicitly assumed facts in $\alpha\text{-Computability Theory.}$

ii) There is an α -computable function $v : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$orall \gamma, \delta < lpha.k(v(\gamma,\delta)) = i(\gamma) \oplus j(\delta).$$

iii) There exist α -computable functions $i_{\pi_1}, i_{\pi_2} : \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall l \in \{1, 2\} \forall \gamma < \alpha. k(i_{\pi_l}(\gamma)) = \{x_l : \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in i(\gamma)\}.$$

iv) There exists an α -computable function $i_{p_2} : \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha. k(i_{p_2}(\gamma)) = i(\gamma) \times j(\gamma).$$

v) There exists an α -computable function $w : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t. if $\gamma, \delta < \alpha$, then

$$k(w(\gamma, \delta)) = \{ \langle x, y \rangle : x \in j(\delta) \land y \in j(\gamma) \land y \in i(x) \}$$

vi) There exists an α -computable function $t_{i,j} : \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha. i(\gamma) = j(t_{i,j}(\gamma))$$

vii) Let $K(\gamma) \coloneqq \bigcup_{x \in j(\gamma)} i(x)$. Then there exists an α -computable function $s_{i,j} : \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha. s_{i,j}(\gamma) = \begin{cases} 0 & K(\gamma) = \emptyset \\ \sup(K(\gamma)) & K(\gamma) \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Proof. To ensure that the following relations are functions, if there are multiple possible output values (resulting from the duplicate indices of α -finite subsets of α) in α , take the least one. To prove that the following formulas are $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$, proposition 3.4.6 is used to rearrange the bounded quantifiers from the outside to inside and remark 3.2.4 is used to encode the products.

i) Using the part vii) we have

 $u(\gamma) = \delta \iff \forall y \leq s_{i,j}(\gamma) [\exists x \leq s_j(\gamma)[j(\gamma, x) \cdot i(x, y) = 1] \iff k(\delta, y) = 1]$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. To prove that the function $u : \alpha \to \alpha$ is also total, we need to prove that the α -finite union of α -finite sets is α -finite, i.e. if $K \in L_\alpha$, then $A \coloneqq \bigcup_{\gamma \in K} K_\gamma \in L_\alpha$. By the part vii), A is bounded. Also $x \in A \iff \exists \gamma \in K.x \in K_\gamma$ and $x \in \overline{A} \iff \forall \gamma \in K.x \notin K_\gamma$. Since the quantifiers are bounded, so A is α -computable. Thus A is α -finite. Therefore $u : \alpha \to \alpha$ is a total α -computable function as required.

ii) Note that $v(\gamma, \delta) = \epsilon \iff$

 $\forall x \leq \max\{s_i(\gamma), s_j(\delta), s_k(\epsilon)\}[k(\epsilon, 2x) = i(\gamma, x) \land k(\epsilon, 2x + 1) = j(\delta, x)]$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ as required.

iii) Note $i_{\pi_l}(\gamma) = \delta \iff k(\delta) = \pi_l[i(\gamma)] \iff \forall x_l \le s_k(\delta)[k(\delta, x_l) = 1 \iff \exists z \le s_i(\gamma).x_l = \pi_l z] \land \forall y \le s_i(\gamma)[k(\delta, \pi_l y) = 1 \iff \exists z \le s_i(\gamma).\pi_l y = \pi_l z]$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as required.

- iv) Note $i_{p_2}(\gamma) = \delta \iff \forall x < \alpha.k(\delta, x) = i(\gamma, \pi_1 x) \cdot j(\gamma, \pi_2 x) \iff \forall x \le s_k(\delta).k(\delta, x) = i(\gamma, \pi_1 x) \cdot j(\gamma, \pi_2 x) \land \forall x_1 \le s_i(\gamma) \forall x_2 \le s_j(\gamma).k(\delta, \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle) = i(\gamma, x_1) \cdot j(\gamma, x_2)$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as required.
- v) Note $w(\gamma, \delta) = \epsilon \iff$ $\forall x, y < \alpha.k(\epsilon, \langle x, y \rangle) = j(\delta, x) \cdot j(\gamma, y) \cdot i(x, y) \iff$ $\forall z \le s_k(\epsilon).k(\epsilon, z) = j(\delta, \pi_1 z) \cdot j(\gamma, \pi_2 z) \cdot i(\pi_1 z, \pi_2 z) \land$ $\forall x \le s_j(\delta) \forall y \le \max\{s_j(\gamma), s_i(x)\}.k(\epsilon, \langle x, y \rangle) = j(\delta, x) \cdot j(\gamma, y) \cdot i(x, y)$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ as required.
- vi) Note $t_{i,j}(\gamma) = \delta \iff i(\gamma) = j(\delta) \iff$ $\exists s_{\gamma}[s_i(\gamma) = s_{\gamma} \land \forall x < s_{\gamma}.i(\gamma, x) = j(\delta, x)] \land$ $\exists s_{\delta}[s_j(\delta) = s_{\delta} \land \forall x < s_{\delta}.i(\gamma, x) = j(\delta, x)]$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ as required.
- vii) Using the function psup from lemma 3.5.1 we have $s_{i,j}(\gamma) = \text{psup}(s_i[j(\gamma)])$ where $s_i[j(\gamma)]$ is an α -finite set by the admissibility of α , $j(\gamma)$ being an α -finite set and s_i being α -computable. Therefore $s_{i,j}$ is α -computable as required.

We can index α -c.e., α -computable sets by an index in α .

Note 3.5.5. (Index for α -c.e. set)

Note that every $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ set is a domain of some function which is Σ_1 -definable with a finite number of parameters (WLOG just one parameter $K \in L_\alpha$) over L_α with some first order formula ϕ . As the language (excluding the parameter from $K_\gamma \in L_\alpha$) where ϕ is defined is countable, we can encode the finite formula ϕ by some index $d < \omega$. The α -finite parameter K_γ of ϕ has index $\gamma < \alpha$. Hence we can encode the $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ function by a pair $e := \langle d, \gamma \rangle < \alpha$. Note that the encoding/decoding of the index can be done in an α -computable way. Hence we can denote an α -c.e. set as W_e where e is its α -computable index.

Note 3.5.6. (Index for α -computable set)

Let A be an α -computable set. Then there exist $c, d < \alpha$ s.t. $A = W_c$ and $\alpha - A = W_d$ by note 3.5.5. Using this, we can assign an α -computable index for an α -computable set A as $e := \langle c, d \rangle$.

3.6 Projectum

The projectum α^* of α is defined below. We can index all α -c.e. sets with an index in α^* , see proposition 3.6.8. This turns out to be a useful property in constructions

in α -Computability Theory as demonstrated in section 3.13.

We state an alternative definition of the projectum in definition 3.6.1 and then provide its equivalence with definition 2.2.2 in proposition 3.6.2.

Definition 3.6.1. (Projectum⁴⁰)

The Σ_1 projectum (projectum for short) of α is

$$\alpha^* \coloneqq \min\{\gamma \le \alpha : \exists A \subseteq \gamma [A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land A \notin L_\alpha] \}.$$

Proposition 3.6.2. ⁴¹ The following ordinals are equal:

- i) $\alpha^* \coloneqq \min\{\gamma < \alpha : \exists A \subseteq \gamma [A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land A \notin L_\alpha]\}$
- ii) $\min\{\gamma \leq \alpha : \exists \text{ partial surjection } p_1 : \gamma \rightharpoonup \alpha \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)\}$
- iii) $\min\{\gamma \leq \alpha : \exists \text{ total injection } i : \alpha \rightarrow \gamma \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)\}.$

Example 3.6.3. (Examples of a projectum)

- The projectum of an infinite regular cardinal α is $\alpha^* = \alpha$.
- The projectum of ω_1^{CK} is ω .⁴²

Fact 3.6.4. (Admissibility of the projectum⁴³)

If α is admissible, then the projectum α^* of α is also admissible.

Proposition 3.6.5. ⁴⁴ Suppose that $\alpha^* < \alpha$, then α is not Σ_2 admissible.

Proof. Let $\alpha^* < \alpha$ and $p_1 : \alpha^* \rightarrow \alpha$ be a partial surjection which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ definable. Let $A := \operatorname{dom}(p_1)$. Extend p_1 to a total function $f : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} p_1(x) & \text{if } x \in A, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

As $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, so the total function $f \in \Sigma_2(L_\alpha)$. But $\alpha^* \in L_\alpha$ and $f[\alpha^*] = \alpha \notin L_\alpha$. Hence α is not Σ_2 admissible.

Proposition 3.6.6. ⁴⁵ Let $\alpha^* < \alpha$ and let $i : \alpha \to \alpha^*$ be a total α -computable injection. If i[A] is α -computable, then $A \in L_{\alpha}$.

⁴⁰Definition 1.19 in [4].

⁴¹Theorem 1.20 in [4].

⁴²[4] p10 Remark 1.21a.

⁴³[1] section V.7. p184 Corollary 7.13.

⁴⁴Usually assumed implicitly. No reference known.

⁴⁵Usually assumed implicitly. No reference known.

Proof. Let $p_1 : \alpha^* \rightharpoonup \alpha$ be an α -computable projection, i.e. $p_1 := i^{-1}$. Let K := i[A]. K is α -computable by the assumption. But K is also bounded by $\alpha^* < \alpha$. Thus $K \in L_{\alpha}$ by proposition 3.2.7.

Note that $p_1[K] = A$. Hence $A \in L_{\alpha}$ by the α -computability of p_1 , α -finiteness of K and by the admissibility of α .

Proposition 3.6.7. ⁴⁶ Let $A \subseteq \delta < \alpha^*$ and $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Then $A \in L_\alpha$.

Proposition 3.6.8. (Indexing α -c.e. sets with a projectum⁴⁷)

We can index all α -c.e. sets just with indices from α^* .

Proof. Let W_d be an α -c.e. set with an index in α . Let $p_1 : \alpha^* \rightarrow \alpha$ be an α -computable projection (partial surjection). Let W_e^* denote an α -c.e. set with an index in α^* , i.e.

$$W_e^* \coloneqq \{ x < \alpha : \exists d < \alpha [p_1(e) = d \land x \in W_d] \}.$$

Note that W_e^* is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. As p_1 is a surjection, so every α -c.e. set W_d is represented by some set W_e^* where $p_1(e) = d$ as required.

Lemma 3.6.9. ⁴⁸ Suppose that $i : \alpha \to \alpha$ is an α -computable injection and $A \subseteq \alpha$. Then $A \equiv_{\alpha e} i[A]$.

Proof. Let B := i[A]. Then $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ via $V := \{\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : i[K_{\gamma}] = K_{\delta}\}$ where $V \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ since $i \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ and $i[K_{\gamma}] \in L_{\alpha}$ by the admissibility of α and α -computability of i. Similarly, $B \leq_{\alpha e} A$ via

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : K_{\gamma} \subseteq \operatorname{rng}(i) \land i^{-1}[K_{\gamma}] = K_{\delta} \} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

Therefore $A \equiv_{\alpha e} i[A]$ as required.

Proposition 3.6.10. ⁴⁹ $\forall A \subseteq \alpha \exists B \subseteq \alpha^* . A \equiv_{\alpha e} B.$

Proof. Let $i : \alpha \to \alpha^*$ be the α -computable injection and define $B \coloneqq i[A]$. Then $B \subseteq \alpha^*$ and $A \equiv_{\alpha e} B$ by lemma 3.6.9 as required.

3.7 Reducibility

In this section the generalizations of the enumeration, Turing and many-one reducibilities in α -Computability Theory are introduced.

Each of the enumeration and Turing reducibility from the classical Computability Theory generalizes to several non-equivalent notions in α -Computability Theory. The correspondence between these different notions is introduced in section 3.9.

⁴⁶From [23] p157.

⁴⁷Usually assumed implicitly as in [4] theorem 3.5. p52. No reference known.

⁴⁸Usually assumed implicitly. No reference known.

⁴⁹Usually assumed implicitly. No reference known.

3.7.1 Enumeration reducibility

The generalization of the enumeration reducibility and operator to the context of α -Computability Theory is briefly investigated in [6] by Di Paola for the first time. The set A is weakly α -enumeration reducible to the set B denoted as $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ iff

$$\exists \epsilon < \alpha^* \forall x < \alpha [x \in A \iff \exists \eta [\langle x, \eta \rangle \in W^*_{\epsilon} \land K_{\eta} \subseteq B]]$$
(3.3)

where W^*_ϵ is an α -c.e. set with an index from the projectum

$$\alpha^* \coloneqq \min\{\gamma \le \alpha : \exists A \subseteq \gamma [A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land A \notin L_\alpha] \}.$$

Similarly, the set A is α -enumeration reducible to the set B denoted as $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ iff

$$\exists \epsilon < \alpha^* \forall \delta < \alpha [K_\delta \subseteq A \iff \exists \eta [\langle \delta, \eta \rangle \in W^*_\epsilon \land K_\eta \subseteq B]]$$
(3.4)

After these definitions, Di Paola studies the theory of α -enumeration operators which diverts from our goals. Hence unless stated otherwise, the definitions and results concerned with the enumeration reducibility and degrees in this thesis are new.

We provide three natural notions of the weak α -enumeration reducibility prove their equivalence in proposition 3.7.4. We also provide a suitable definition of the α -enumeration reducibility equivalent to 3.3.

Weak α -enumeration reducibility

Definition 3.7.1. (Weak α -enumeration reducibility⁵⁰)

The set A is weak α -enumeration reducible to B denoted as $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ iff there is a weak α -enumeration operator $\Phi^w \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $A = \Phi^w(B)$ where

$$\Phi^w(B) \coloneqq \{ x < \alpha : \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^w \land K_\delta \subseteq B] \}.$$

Definition 3.7.2. (Very weak α -enumeration reducibility⁵¹)

The set A is very weak α -enumeration reducible to B denoted as $A \leq_{vw\alpha e} B$ iff there is a very weak α -enumeration operator $\Phi^{vw} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $A = \Phi^{vw}(B)$ where

$$\Phi^{vw}(B) \coloneqq \bigcup \{ K_{\gamma} : \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^{vw} \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B].$$

Definition 3.7.3. (Feeble α -enumeration reducibility⁵²)

The set A is feeble α -enumeration reducible to B denoted as $A \leq_{f\alpha e} B$ iff there

⁵⁰Definition 3.7.1 is clearly equivalent to 3.3. The difference is that we do not require the α -c.e. set Φ^w to have an index from α^* .

⁵¹Introduced in this thesis.

⁵²Introduced in this thesis.

is a feeble α -enumeration operator $\Phi^f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $A = \Phi^f(B)$ where

$$\Phi^f(B) \coloneqq \{ x < \alpha : \exists \gamma, \delta < \alpha [\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^f \land x \in K_\gamma \land K_\delta \subseteq B] \}.$$

Proposition 3.7.4. (Equivalence of weak α -enumeration reducibilities⁵³) The following three statements are equivalent for $A, B \subseteq \alpha$:

- i) $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$,
- ii) $A \leq_{f\alpha e} B$,
- iii) $A \leq_{vw\alpha e} B$.

In other words: $\leq_{w\alpha e} = \leq_{f\alpha e} = \leq_{vw\alpha e}$.

Proof. Note that

$$x \in \Phi^{vw}(B) \iff \exists \gamma, \delta < \alpha[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^{vw} \land x \in K_{\gamma} \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B].$$

So the definition of a very weak α -enumeration operator is equivalent to the definition of a feable α -enumeration operator, i.e. $\forall e < \alpha.\Phi_e^{vw}(B) = \Phi_e^f(B)$. Thus ii) iff iii). Next i) implies ii) since given an element $x < \alpha$, we can use the $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ bijection $\alpha \to L_\alpha$ to retrieve the index γ of the α -finite set $K_\gamma = \{x\}$. To prove that ii) implies i), we assume that we have $A = \Phi^f(B)$. Define

$$\Phi^w \coloneqq \{ \langle x, \delta \rangle \in \alpha \times \alpha : \exists \gamma < \alpha [\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^f \land x \in K_{\gamma}] \}.$$

As Φ^f is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, so is Φ^w . Then we have $x \in \Phi^w(B) \iff$

$$\exists \delta < \alpha[\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^w \land K_\delta \subseteq B] \iff$$

 $\exists \gamma, \delta < \alpha[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \Phi^f \land x \in K_\gamma \land K_\delta \subseteq B] \iff x \in \Phi^f(B)$. So given Φ^f operator, we can construct Φ^w such that $\Phi^w(B) = \Phi^f(B)$. Hence ii) implies i). Therefore i) iff ii) iff iii) as required.

The proposition above establishes the equivalence of the three notions defined. Therefore we will only talk about the weak α -enumeration reducibility and use any definition of the reducibility and its enumeration operator as convenient. We shorten *weak* α -enumeration operator to just α -enumeration operator and equip it with the index from α to obtain the following updated definitions widely used in this thesis.

Definition 3.7.5. (α -enumeration operator)

An α -enumeration operator is an α -c.e. set Φ . For a set $B \subseteq \alpha$, define

 $\Phi(B) \coloneqq \{ x \in \alpha : \exists \delta < \alpha(\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B) \}.$

Let Φ_{γ} denote an α -c.e. set with an index γ .

Definition 3.7.6. (Weak α -enumeration reducibility)

A is weakly α -enumeration reducible to B denoted as $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ iff there exists an α -enumeration operator $\Phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $A = \Phi(B)$.

⁵³Introduced in this thesis.

α -enumeration reducibility

Definition 3.7.7. (α -enumeration reducibility⁵⁴)

The set A is α -enumeration reducible to B denoted as $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ iff $\exists W \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha [K_{\gamma} \subseteq A \iff \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B]].$$

Denote the fact that A reduces to B via W as A = W(B).

Properties

Lemma 3.7.8. ⁵⁵ $A \leq_{\alpha e} B \oplus C \land B \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}) \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} C$

Proof. As $A \leq_{\alpha e} B \oplus C$, so there is some $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha . [K_{\gamma} \subseteq A \iff \exists \delta[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B \oplus C]].$$

We want to find $W_d \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t.

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha . [K_{\gamma} \subseteq A \iff \exists \epsilon [\langle \gamma, \epsilon \rangle \in W_d \land K_{\epsilon} \subseteq C]].$$

Define

$$W_d \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \epsilon \rangle : \exists \delta \exists K [\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_\delta = K \oplus K_\epsilon \land \forall x \in K. x \in B] \}$$

which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ by proposition 3.4.6 since $B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as required.

Note 3.7.9. ⁵⁶ If $A \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{A}$, is it true that $\overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} A$?

No, consider the halting set H. Then $H \leq_e \overline{H}$, but $\overline{H} \not\leq_e H$.

Note 3.7.10. ⁵⁷ Is it true that for any $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ we have: $A \leq_{\alpha e} B \iff \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{B}$?

No. For example, take A = H and $B = \overline{H}$.

It is trivial to observe the following.

Fact 3.7.11. (Properties of an α -enumeration operator) Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ and $\gamma < \alpha$. Then Φ_{γ} satisfies:

- i) Closure under reducibility: $\Phi_{\gamma}(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$,
- ii) Monotonicity: $A \subseteq B \implies \Phi_{\gamma}(A) \subseteq \Phi_{\gamma}(B)$,
- iii) Witness property: if $x \in \Phi_{\gamma}(A)$, then $\exists K \subseteq A[K \in L_{\alpha} \land x \in \Phi_{\gamma}(K)]$.

Proposition 3.7.12. ⁵⁸ If $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and $B \leq_{\alpha e} C$, then $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$.

⁵⁴Definition 3.7.7 is clearly equivalent to 3.7.1. The difference is that we do not require the α -c.e. set W to have an index from α^* .

⁵⁵Introduced in this thesis.

⁵⁶Well-known from classical Computability Theory.

⁵⁷Well-known from classical Computability Theory.

⁵⁸Introduced in this thesis.

Proof. Assume $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$. So there is an α -enumeration operator Φ s.t. $A = \Phi(B)$. In detail, for any $x < \alpha$ we have

$$x \in A \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha[\langle x, \gamma \rangle \in \Phi \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq B].$$
(3.5)

Similarly, we assume $B \leq_{\alpha e} C$ and so there is $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. for any $\gamma < \alpha$ we have

$$K_{\gamma} \subseteq B \iff \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq C].$$
(3.6)

Putting statement (3.5) and statement (3.6) together we get

$$x \in A \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha[\langle x, \gamma \rangle \in \Phi \land \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq C]]$$
$$\iff \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \widehat{\Phi} \land K_{\delta} \subseteq C]$$
$$\iff x \in \widehat{\Phi}(C).$$

where $\widehat{\Phi} := \{ \langle x, \delta \rangle : \exists \gamma, \delta < \alpha [\langle x, \gamma \rangle \in \Phi \land \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W] \} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Hence $A = \widehat{\Phi}(C)$ and so $A \leq_{w \alpha e} C$ as required. \Box

3.7.2 Total reducibility

The Turing reducibility can be thought of as a total reducibility wrt the enumeration reducibility. In this section we introduce total reducibilities in α -Computability Theory which are the generalizations of the Turing reducibility.

Definition 3.7.13. (Weak α -reducibility⁵⁹)

The set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is *weakly* α -*reducible* to the set $B \subseteq \alpha$ denoted as $A \leq_{w\alpha} B$ iff there is α -c.e. set $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. for any $x < \alpha$:

$$x \in A \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle x, \gamma, \delta, 1 \rangle \in W \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq B \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B],$$
$$x \in \overline{A} \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle x, \gamma, \delta, 0 \rangle \in W \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq B \land K_{\delta} \subseteq \overline{B}].$$

Definition 3.7.14. (α -reducibility⁶⁰)

The set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is α -reducible to the set $B \subseteq \alpha$ denoted as $A \leq_{\alpha} B$ iff there is α -c.e. set $W \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ s.t. for any $\beta < \alpha$:

$$K_{\beta} \subseteq A \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle \beta, \gamma, \delta, 1 \rangle \in W \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq B \land K_{\delta} \subseteq \overline{B}],$$

$$K_{\beta} \subseteq \overline{A} \iff \exists \gamma < \alpha \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle \beta, \gamma, \delta, 0 \rangle \in W \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq B \land K_{\delta} \subseteq \overline{B}].$$

3.7.3 Total and enumeration reducibilities

We state the correspondence between the total and enumeration reducibilities and their shared properties.

⁵⁹[**4**] p6 definition 1.13.

⁶⁰[4] p7 definition 1.14.

Correspondence

We state relations between the total and enumeration reducibilities which elucidate the use of the word *total* for total reducibilities.

Definition 3.7.15. (Total set⁶¹) A subset $A \subseteq \alpha$ is total iff $\overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} A$ iff $A \equiv_{\alpha e} A \oplus \overline{A}$.

The following fact 3.7.16 provides alternative definitions of the total reducibilities \leq_{α} and $\leq_{w\alpha}$ in terms of the enumeration reducibilities on the total sets. Fact 3.7.16 follows from the definitions of the α -reducibilities (definition 3.7.13 and definition 3.7.14) and α -enumeration reducibilities (definition 3.7.6 and definition 3.7.7) provided in this section.

From definition 3.7.13 and definition 3.7.14 it is easy to see that $A \leq_{\alpha} B$ (or $A \leq_{w\alpha} B$) can be also interpreted as saying that the set A and its complement \overline{A} can be (weakly) α -enumerated from the set B and its complement \overline{B} . We state this observation formally in the following fact.

Fact 3.7.16. (Total and enumeration reducibilities correspondence)

- i) $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha [A \leq_{w\alpha} B \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_{w\alpha e} B \oplus \overline{B}].$
- ii) $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha [A \leq_{\alpha} B \iff A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} B \oplus \overline{B}].$

Selman's Theorem gives a characterization of the α -enumeration reducibility for arbitrary sets in terms of the α -enumeration reducibility on the total sets.

Corollary 7.1.6. (Selman's theorem⁶²)

Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then for all $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ we have

 $A \leq_{\alpha e} B \iff \forall X [X \equiv_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \land B \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X}].$

We defer the use of corollary 7.1.6 and its proof until chapter 7.

Shared properties

The following facts are easy to see for the (weak) α -reducibility and commonly implicitly assumed in α -Computability Theory. As the definitions of the enumeration reducibilities are simpler than those of the total reducibilities, the facts are even simpler to observe for the enumeration reducibilities.

⁶¹A well-known definition in classical Computability Theory, see [2] Definition 1.4. The generalized version introduced in this thesis.

⁶²Generalized to α -Computability Theory in this thesis.

Fact 3.7.17. (Properties of total and enumeration reducibilities) Let $\leq_r \in \{\leq_{\alpha e}, \leq_{\alpha}\}$. Then

- i) \leq_r induces a partial order \leq (i.e. \leq is reflexive, antisymmetric, transitive) on the *r*-Degrees \mathcal{D}_r which are the equivalence classes induced by \leq_r ,
- ii) In general weak reducibilities $\leq_{w\alpha e}$ and $\leq_{w\alpha}$ are not transitive [26],
- iii) \leq_r has a unique minimal degree denoted 0 containing \emptyset and α ,
- iv) invariance under α -finite changes: if $A \leq_r B$, $A \triangle \hat{A} \in L_{\alpha}$, $B \triangle \hat{B} \in L_{\alpha}$, then $\hat{A} \leq_r \hat{B}$, where \triangle denotes a set theoretic difference.
- v) $A_0 \cup A_1 \leq_r A_0 \oplus A_1$,
- vi) $A_0 \leq_r B \land A_1 \leq_r B \iff A_0 \oplus A_1 \leq_r B$,
- vii) $\chi_A \equiv_{\alpha} A \oplus \overline{A}$ where χ_A is the characteristic function of A.

3.7.4 Many-one reducibility

We generalize many-one reducibility to the setting of α -Computability Theory.

Definition 3.7.18. (Many-one reducibility⁶³)

The set A is α -many-one reducible to the set B denoted as $A \leq_{\alpha m} B$ iff there exists a total α -computable function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ satisfying

$$\forall x \in \alpha [x \in A \iff f(x) \in B].$$

It is easy to see the following.

Fact 3.7.19. (Many-one reducibility properties)

- $A \leq_{\alpha m} B \iff \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{B},$
- If $A_1 \leq_{\alpha m} B_1$ and $A_2 \leq_{\alpha m} B_2$, then $A_1 \oplus A_2 \leq_{\alpha m} B_1 \oplus B_2$.

Proposition 3.7.20. ⁶⁴ Assume $A \leq_{\alpha m} B$, then:

- $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$
- $\overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{B}$

Proof. We prove the first statement. Assume that $A \leq_{\alpha m} B$ via the α computable function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$. Hence $x \in A \iff f(x) \in B$ and so $K_{\gamma} \subseteq A \iff f[K_{\gamma}] \subseteq B$. Therefore $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ via α -c.e. set

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : f[K_{\gamma}] = K_{\delta} \}.$$

The second statement follows from the first statement and fact 3.7.19.

⁶³Introduced in this thesis.

⁶⁴Introduced in this thesis.

3.8 Regularity

A notion of a regularity measures how close a set behaves like a set in classical Computability Theory from the definability perspective. Many theorems and statements invoke assumptions on the regularity, e.g. Shore's Splitting Theorem 3.8.5.

We investigate different notions of regularity: regularity, quasiregularity, hyperregularity and megaregularity. We consider their closure under reducibilities and definability, degree invariance, relative strength and relation to totality.

3.8.1 Regularity and quasiregularity

We define regularity and quasiregularity. Regularity is a well-established notion in α -Computability Theory, see [23] or [4]. Quasiregularity was introduced in this thesis.

Definition 3.8.1. (Regularity and quasiregularity)

- A subset $A \subseteq \alpha$ is α -regular iff $\forall \gamma < \alpha . A \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$.
- A subset $A \subseteq \alpha$ is α -quasiregular iff $\forall \gamma < \sup(A) . A \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$.

If clear from the context, we just say *regular* and *quasiregular* instead of α -regular and α -quasiregular respectively.

The fact below follow directly from the definitions.

Fact 3.8.2. (Regularity and quasiregularity)

- i) Every regular set is quasiregular.
- ii) If $\sup(A) = \alpha$ and A is quasiregular, then A is regular.

Proposition 3.8.3. (Regularity closure under operations⁶⁵)

i) $\forall A \subseteq \alpha [A \text{ regular} \iff \overline{A} \text{ regular}],$

- ii) $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha[A \text{ regular } \land B \text{ regular } \Longrightarrow A \oplus B \text{ regular }],$
- iii) $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha[A \text{ regular } \land B \text{ regular } \Longrightarrow A \cup B \text{ regular }].$

Proof. The statements follow from the following observations respectively:

- i) If $A \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$, then $\overline{A} \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$.
- ii) If $A \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$ and $B \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$, then $(A \oplus B) \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$.

⁶⁵Usually assumed implicitly. No reference known.

iii) If $A \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$ and $B \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$, then $(A \cup B) \cap \gamma \in L_{\alpha}$.

Theorem 3.8.4. (Sack's Theorem on regular set existence⁶⁶)

Let A be α -computably enumerable. Then there exists a regular, α -c.e. set B of the same α -degree as A.

Theorem 3.8.5. (Shore's Splitting Theorem [27])

Let C be α -c.e and regular. Let D be non- α -computable and α -c.e. Then there exist regular α -c.e. sets A and B s.t. $C = A \sqcup B$, $A \leq_{\alpha} C$, $B \leq_{\alpha} C$ and also $D \not\leq_{\alpha} A$ or $D \not\leq_{\alpha} B$.

3.8.2 Megaregularity

We introduce in this thesis the notion of megaregularity. In remark 3.8.27 this will turn out to be much stronger than the notion of regularity.

Definition 3.8.6. (Megaregularity)

Let $B \subseteq \alpha$ and add B as a predicate to the language for the structure (L_{α}, B) .

Then B is α -megaregular iff the structure $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle$ satisfies the axiom of $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ -replacement:

$$\forall f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B) \forall K \in L_\alpha. f[K] \in L_\alpha.$$

If the ordinal α is clear from the context, we just say *megaregular* instead of α -megaregular.

Remark 3.8.7. A person familiar with the notion of *hyperregularity* shall note that a set is megaregular iff it is regular and hyperregular (proposition 3.8.31).

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Lemma 3.8.8. ⁶⁷ If $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$ and $K \in L_\alpha$, then $f[K] \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, A)$.

Proof. As $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$, so $f \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, A)$ by proposition 3.4.2. Note that $y \in f[K] \iff \exists x \in K.(x, y) \in f.$

So clearly $f[K] \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$. As $f \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, A)$, so $f[K] \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, A)$ by proposition 3.4.9. As $f[K] \in \Sigma_1 \cap \Pi_1(L_\alpha, A)$, so $f[K] \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, A)$ as required.

Proposition 3.8.9. ⁶⁸ If $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement and $A \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha})$, then A is megaregular.

⁶⁶Sacks [23], theorem 4.2.

⁶⁷Generalized from [4] proposition 1.12b.

⁶⁸Introduced in this thesis.

Proof. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement. Hence $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -collection by proposition 3.4.19. Let $A \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha})$. Let $f \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, A)$ and $K \in L_{\alpha}$ be arbitrary. Then $f[K] \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha}, A)$ by lemma 3.8.8. By $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -collection and proposition 3.4.10v we have $f[K] \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha})$. Thus f[K] has to be bounded since $\sigma_n cf(\alpha) = \alpha$ by the Σ_n admissibility of α (proposition 3.1.21). As $f[K] \in \Delta_n(L_{\alpha}), f[K]$ is bounded and $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_n$ -replacement, so $f[K] \in L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 3.4.13ii. Therefore A is megaregular as required. \Box

Megaregularity closure

We prove that the megaregularity is closed downwards under the weak α -reducibility and thus α -degree invariant.

Lemma 3.8.10. ⁶⁹ Assume $B \leq_{w\alpha e} C$ and $\langle L_{\alpha}, C^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection. Then:

- i) $\phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+) \implies \exists \psi [\phi \equiv \psi \text{ and } \psi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)].$
- ii) $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+) \implies A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+).$

Proof. As $B \leq_{w\alpha e} C$, so

$$x \in B \iff \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle x, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq C] \iff \theta(x, C)$$

for some $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$.

For the first statement, let $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ be a formula where \overline{x} is a list of variables. Replace an atom $x' \in B$ in the formula $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ by the expression $\theta(x', C)$. Denote the new formula by $\psi(\overline{x}, C)$. We will prove by the structural induction on the formula that $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$. Note that $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ and $\psi(\overline{x}, C)$ are equivalent. This implies $\phi \equiv \psi$ and $\psi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$ as required.

For the second statement, let $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ be a formula defining A. Note that $\phi(x, B)$ and $\psi(x, C)$ define the same set A. This implies $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$ as required.

Proof of $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$ by induction

Note $\theta(x, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$. Hence express $\theta(x, C)$ as $\exists \overline{y}.R(x, \overline{y}, C)$ where $R(x, \overline{y}, C) \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, C^+)$.

- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in QF(L_{\alpha})$, then $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, C^+)$ trivially.
- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = x_i \in B$, then $\psi(\overline{x}, C) = \theta(x_i, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$.

⁶⁹Introduced in this thesis.

• Let $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = \phi_0(\overline{x}, B) \blacklozenge \phi_1(\overline{x}, B)$ where $\blacklozenge \in \{\land, \lor\}$ and $\phi_i(\overline{x}, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$. Then $\psi(\overline{x}, C) = \psi_0(\overline{x}, C) \blacklozenge \psi_1(\overline{x}, C)$. By IH $\psi_i(\overline{x}, C) \equiv \exists \overline{y_i}.R_i(\overline{x}, \overline{y_i}, C)$ where $R_i(\overline{x}, \overline{y_i}, C) \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, C^+)$. Note that

$$\psi(\overline{x}, C) \equiv \exists \overline{y_0}, \overline{y_1}[R_0(\overline{x}, \overline{y_0}, C) \blacklozenge R_1(\overline{x}, \overline{y_1}, C)].$$

Hence $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$.

• Let $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = \forall y \in K.\phi'(\overline{x}, y, B)$. Then by IH we have $\psi(\overline{x}, C) = \forall y \in K \exists \overline{z} R'(\overline{x}, y, \overline{z}, C)$

where $R'(\overline{x}, y, \overline{z}, C) \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, C^+)$. Since $\langle L_\alpha, C^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection, so $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C^+)$ by proposition 3.4.7.

If φ(x̄, B) = ∃y.φ'(x̄, y, B) or φ(x̄, B) = ∃y ∈ K.φ'(x̄, y, B), then it can be verified easily using IH that also ψ(x̄, C) ∈ Σ₁(L_α, C⁺).

As all induction steps are covered, this concludes the proof.

Lemma 3.8.11. ⁷⁰ Let $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$, $B \leq_{w\alpha} C$ and $\langle L_\alpha, C \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection. Then $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C)$.

Proof. Since $B \leq_{w\alpha} C$, so there are α -computably enumerable sets $W_0, W_1 \subseteq \alpha$ s.t.:

$$x \notin B \iff \exists \gamma, \delta < \alpha[\langle x, \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W_0 \land K_\gamma \subseteq C \land K_\delta \subseteq \overline{C}] \iff \theta_0(x, C),$$
$$x \in B \iff \exists \gamma, \delta < \alpha[\langle x, \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W_1 \land K_\gamma \subseteq C \land K_\delta \subseteq \overline{C}] \iff \theta_1(x, C),$$

where θ_0 and θ_1 are the abbreviations for the stated longer equivalent formulas. As $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$, so $A = \{x < \alpha : \phi(x, B)\}$ where $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$. Using De Morgan's laws, WLOG let the negations in the formula $\phi(x, B)$ occur only at the level of literals. Construct a new formula $\psi(x, C)$ from the formula $\phi(x, B)$ by replacing the literals: $x \notin B$ by $\theta_0(x, C)$ and $x \in B$ by $\theta_1(x, C)$. Note $\theta_i(x, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C)$.

Note that $\phi(x, B)$ and $\psi(x, C)$ define the same set A. Moreover, one can prove by the induction on the structure of the formula with a similar proof as in the proof of lemma 3.8.10 that $\psi(x, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C)$. Here we use the assumption $\langle L_\alpha, C \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection in the following case. Suppose

$$\psi(\overline{x}, C) = \forall y \in K \exists \overline{z} R'(\overline{x}, y, \overline{z}, C)$$

where $R'(\overline{x}, y, \overline{z}, C) \in \Delta_0(L_\alpha, C)$ by IH and $K \in L_\alpha$. Since $\langle L_\alpha, C \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection, so $\psi(\overline{x}, C) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C)$ by proposition 3.4.7 as required.

Therefore $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, C)$ as required.

⁷⁰Introduced in this thesis.

Proposition 3.8.12. (Axiom closure under $\leq_{w\alpha e}^{71}$) Assume that $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$. Then:

- i) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection $\wedge \Sigma_1$ -replacement, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, A^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement.
- ii) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, A^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection.
- iii) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection $\wedge \Sigma_1$ -separation, then $\langle L_{\alpha}, A^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -separation.
- *Proof.* i) Let $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A^+)$. Since $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and $\langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection, so $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ by lemma 3.8.10ii. So if $K \in L_\alpha$, then $f[K] \in L_\alpha$ since $\langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement. Therefore $\langle L_\alpha, A^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement.
- ii) Let $\phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A^+)$. Since $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and $\langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection, so $\phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ up to equivalence by lemma 3.8.10i. So if $K \in L_\alpha$ and $\forall x \in K \exists y. \phi(x, y)$, then there is $\hat{K} \in L_\alpha$ s.t. $\forall x \in K \exists y \in \hat{K}. \phi(x, y)$ since $\langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection. Therefore $\langle L_\alpha, A^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection.
- iii) Let $K \in L_{\alpha}$ and $\phi(x) \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, A^+)$. Define $\hat{K} := \{x \in K : \phi(x)\}$. We need to show that $\hat{K} \in L_{\alpha}$. Since $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection, so $\phi(x) \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$ up to equivalence by lemma 3.8.10i. Thus $\hat{K} \in L_{\alpha}$ as required since $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -separation.

Proposition 3.8.13. (Megaregularity closure and degree invariance⁷²)

- i) If $A \leq_{w\alpha} B$ or $A \leq_{\alpha} B$ and B is megaregular, then A is megaregular.
- ii) If $A \equiv_{w\alpha} B$ or $A \equiv_{\alpha} B$, then [A is megaregular iff B is megaregular].
- iii) If $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$, then A is megaregular.

Proof. Statements ii) and iii) follow from i). We prove i) as follows. A is megaregular iff every $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, A)$ definable function f satisfies the replacement axiom.

Let $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$. As $A \leq_{w\alpha} B$ and B is megaregular, so $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ by lemma 3.8.11. Hence f satisfies the replacement axiom as B is megaregular.

Therefore $\langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement and so A must be megaregular.

Often we will use proposition 3.8.13 implicitly.

⁷¹Introduced in this thesis.

⁷²Introduced in this thesis.

3.8.3 Hyperregularity

We investigate two different notions of hyperregularity used in [23] and [4].

Definition 3.8.14. (Constructible hierarchy with a parameter⁷³)

Introduce to the language a predicate $x \in A$ to define the constructive hierarchy for a parameter $A \subseteq \alpha$:

- $L[A]_0 \coloneqq \emptyset$,
- $L[A]_{\gamma+1} \coloneqq \operatorname{Def}(L[A]_{\gamma}),$
- $L[A]_{\delta} \coloneqq \bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} L[A]_{\gamma}$ if $\lim(\delta)$,
- $L[A] \coloneqq \bigcup_{\gamma \in \operatorname{Ord}} L[A]_{\gamma}.$

Lemma 3.8.15. ⁷⁴ Assume $A \subseteq \alpha$. Then A is regular iff $L_{\alpha} = L[A]_{\alpha}$.

Proof. By induction $\forall \gamma. L[A]_{\gamma} = L[A \cap \gamma]_{\gamma}$. Hence A is regular iff $\forall \gamma < \alpha. L[A]_{\gamma} = L_{\alpha}$.

Definition 3.8.16. (Sacks hyperregular⁷⁵)

A set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is Sacks hyperregular iff $\forall f \leq_{w\alpha} A \forall \gamma < \alpha \exists \delta < \alpha. f[\gamma] \subseteq \delta$.

Proposition 3.8.17. ⁷⁶ If $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and A is Sacks hyperregular, then A is regular.

Proposition 3.8.18. ⁷⁷ α is Σ_2 -admissible iff $\forall A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. *A* is Sacks hyperregular.

It is easy to see that every α -computable set is Sacks hyperregular. By theorem 3.8.19 below the converse is not true which separates the notions of α computability from the Sack's hyperregularity.

Theorem 3.8.19. ⁷⁸ There exists a non- α -computable, Sacks hyperregular, α -c.e. set.

Definition 3.8.20. (Chong hyperregular⁷⁹)

A set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is Chong hyperregular iff $L[A]_{\alpha}$ is an admissible structure - $L[A]_{\alpha}$ satisfies Σ_1 -Collection, i.e. $\forall \phi(x, y) \in \Sigma_1(L[A]_{\alpha}, A) \forall K \in L[A]_{\alpha}$

$$\left[L[A]_{\alpha} \models \forall x \in K \exists y.\phi(x,y) \implies \exists \hat{K} \forall x \in K \exists y \in \hat{K}.\phi(x,y) \right].$$

⁷³From [23] VII.3.5 Regularity p164.

⁷⁴From [23] Proposition VII.3.6 p164.

⁷⁵From [23] VI Hyperregularity and Priority p135.

⁷⁶From [23] Prop VII.5.1. p167.

⁷⁷From [23] Exercise VII.5.6. p174

⁷⁸From [23] Theorem VII.5.3. p169

⁷⁹From [4] Definition 1.32 p20

Proposition 3.8.21. ⁸⁰ Assume $A \subseteq \alpha$ is regular. Then A is Sacks hyperregular iff A is Chong hyperregular.

Proof. First note that as A is regular, so $L[A]_{\alpha} = L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 3.8.15.

⇒: Assume that A is regular and Sacks hyperregular. Let $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$, $K \in L_\alpha$ and $K \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$. As A is regular, so $f \leq_{w\alpha} A$. As $K \in L_\alpha$, so $K \subseteq \gamma$ for some $\gamma < \alpha$. As A is Sacks hyperregular, so there is $\delta < \alpha$ s.t. $f[K] \subseteq f[\gamma] \subseteq \delta \in L_\alpha$.

⇐: Chong hyperregular implies Sacks hyperregular clearly.

3.8.4 Projectum and regularity

The projectum α^* can be thought of as a Σ_1 -projectum. We generalize the Σ_1 -projectum α^* to a Σ_n -projectum and relate a projectum with regularity.

Definition 3.8.22. (Σ_n -projectum⁸¹)

The Σ_n projectum of α is

 $\sigma_n p(\alpha) \coloneqq \min\{\gamma \le \alpha : \exists A \subseteq \gamma [A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \land A \notin L_\alpha] \}.$

Proposition 3.8.23. (Projectum and regularity⁸²)

- $A \subseteq \alpha^* \land A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \implies A$ quasiregular,
- $\alpha^* = \alpha \land A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \implies A$ regular.
- $A \subseteq \sigma_n p(\alpha) \land A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \implies A$ quasiregular,
- $\sigma_n p(\alpha) = \alpha \land A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \implies A$ regular.

Proof. All four statements are implied by the statement

$$A \subseteq \sigma_n p(\alpha) \land A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \implies \forall \beta < \sup(A) . A \cap \beta \in L_\alpha$$

which is true. For suppose not, then

$$\exists \beta < \sup(A) \le \sigma_n p(\alpha) [A \cap \beta \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \land A \cap \beta \notin L_\alpha]$$

which is a contradiction to definition 3.8.22.

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⁸⁰Introduced in this thesis.

⁸¹Definition 1.19 in [4].

⁸²From [23] Proposition VII.2.1. p157.

3.8.5 Notions of regularity by strength

We inspect relation between α -finiteness, computability and different notions of regularity: quasiregularity, regularity, hyperregularity and megaregularity.

Proposition 3.8.24. ⁸³ Every α -computable subset of α is regular.

Proof. Follows from proposition 3.2.7.

Example 3.8.25. Let $\alpha = \omega_1^{CK}$. Then the set of the ordinal notations, Kleene's $\mathcal{O} \subseteq \omega$ is quasiregular, but not regular. As $\mathcal{O} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, so by theorem 3.8.4 there is $B \subseteq \alpha$ s.t. $\mathcal{O} \equiv_\alpha B$ and B is regular.

Let $p_0 : \omega \to \alpha$ be a partial α -computable function taking a computable notation to its ordinal, i.e. p_0 is the α -computable projection constructed from \mathcal{O} using proposition 3.6.2. Using \mathcal{O} as an oracle, complete p_0 to a total surjective function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$. Then $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{O}), \omega \in L_\alpha$, but $f[\omega] \notin L_\alpha$. Hence neither \mathcal{O} nor B is megaregular.

Example 3.8.26. ⁸⁴ Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then every subset of α is megaregular. But there are subsets of α which are not α -computable.

Remark 3.8.27. Hence using results from section 3.8 (statements 3.8.2, 3.8.24, 3.8.25, 3.8.26) we have the following *strict* separation of the notions where α -finiteness is the strongest condition and quasiregularity is the weakest:

 α -finite $\implies \alpha$ -computable \implies megaregular \implies regular \implies quasiregular.

Proposition 3.8.28. (Computability, regularity, megaregularity⁸⁵) Let $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+\}$. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement. Then:

- i) $A \oplus \overline{A} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}) \implies A$ regular,
- ii) $\neg A$ regular $\implies A \oplus \overline{A} \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}),$
- iii) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement and $A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} B$, then A regular,
- iv) If B megaregular, then B regular,
- v) If B megaregular and $A \leq_{\alpha} B$, then A regular,
- vi) $\forall \beta < \alpha. A \cap \beta \oplus \overline{A \cap \beta} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, \mathcal{B}) \iff A$ regular.

⁸³From Proposition 1.12b in [4].

 $^{^{84}}$ See corollary 3.11.4 for details.

⁸⁵Introduced in this thesis. Some parts might have been used elsewhere implicitly, no reference known.

- vii) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement and B total, then B regular,
- viii) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^{+} \rangle \models \Sigma_{1}$ -replacement, B total and $A \in \Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}, B)$, then $A \in \Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}, B^{+})$.
- ix) If $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement and B total, then B megaregular,

Proof. The statements i-vi follow from lemma 3.4.13.

We show statement vii. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^{+} \rangle \models \Sigma_{1}$ -replacement and *B* total. So $B \oplus \overline{B} \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Clearly, $B \cap \beta \leq_{\alpha} B$ for any $\beta < \alpha$. Hence $B \cap \beta \oplus \overline{B \cap \beta} \leq_{\alpha e} B \oplus \overline{B} \leq_{\alpha e} B$. So $B \cap \beta \oplus \overline{B \cap \beta} \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Hence $B \cap \beta \oplus \overline{B \cap \beta} \in \Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}, B^{+})$. As $\beta < \alpha$ was arbitrary, we have

$$\forall \beta < \alpha . B \cap \beta \oplus \overline{B \cap \beta} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+).$$

So *B* has to be regular using statement vi.

We show statement viii. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^{+} \rangle \models \Sigma_{1}$ -replacement and let B be total, i.e. $B \oplus \overline{B} \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Hence B is also regular by statement vii. Assume that $A \in \Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}, B)$. As B is regular, so $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B \oplus \overline{B}$. So $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B \oplus \overline{B} \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Hence $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and so $A \in \Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}, B^{+})$.

We show statement ix. Assume that $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$. Then $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ by statement item viii. Thus f satisfies the replacement axiom as $\langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement. Since we started with $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$, so B is also megaregular as required. \Box

Since every megaregular set is also regular, we see directly from the definition of the regularity the following.

Fact 3.8.29. Let $A \subseteq \alpha$ be bounded. If A is regular or megaregular, then $A \in L_{\alpha}$.

Lemma 3.8.30. ⁸⁶ A is regular and Sacks hyperregular iff

$$\forall \delta < \alpha \forall f [f \leq_{w\alpha} A \implies f \upharpoonright \delta \in L_{\alpha}].$$

Proposition 3.8.31. ⁸⁷ A is regular and Sacks hyperregular iff A is megaregular.

Proof. \Rightarrow : As A is Sacks hyperregular and regular, so

$$\forall \delta < \alpha \forall f [f \leq_{w\alpha} A \implies f \upharpoonright \delta \in L_{\alpha}]$$

by lemma 3.8.30. Let $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$ and $K \in L_\alpha$. As A is regular, so $f \leq_{w\alpha} A$. As $K \in L_\alpha$, so $K \subseteq \delta$ for some $\delta < \alpha$. Note that $f[K] = f \upharpoonright \delta[K] \in L_\alpha$ since both $f \upharpoonright \delta$ and K are α -finite. Therefore $\langle L_\alpha, A \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement and so A is megaregular.

⁸⁶From [23] Lemma VII.5.2 p168.

⁸⁷Introduced in this thesis.

 \Leftarrow : Assume that A is megaregular. Then A is regular by proposition 3.8.28iv. So $L[A]_{\alpha} = L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 3.8.15. Note $\langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement. Thus $\langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection by proposition 3.4.20. So $\langle L[A]_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -collection. Thus A is Chong hyperregular. As A is Chong hyperregular and regular, so A is Sacks hyperregular by proposition 3.8.21 as required.

3.9 Reducibilities and definability

We state a correspondence between different notions of reducibility and definability. See section 3.9 for details.

We establish a correspondence between the weak α -enumeration reducibility $\leq_{w\alpha e}$, α -enumeration reducibility $\leq_{\alpha e}$ and Σ_1 definability with a positive parameter. This propagates to the correspondence between the α -reducibility, weak α -reducibility and Δ_1 definability with a parameter. At the end, we prove some results relating to the transitivity of the arithmetic definability.

3.9.1 Relation between $\leq_{\alpha e}$ and $\leq_{w\alpha e}$

We investigate the relation between the weak α -enumeration reducibility $\leq_{w\alpha e}$ and the α -enumeration reducibility $\leq_{\alpha e}$.

Lemma 3.9.1. ⁸⁸ Let $B \subseteq \alpha$ and assume at least one of the following conditions:

- i) $\langle L_{\alpha}, B \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement.
- ii) $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -collection $\wedge \Sigma_1$ -separation.

Then for any α -enumeration operator $\Phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ there exists set $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $\Phi(B) = W(B)$, i.e. W satisfies

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha[K_{\gamma} \subseteq \Phi(B) \iff \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B]].$$

Proof. Construct W_{ζ} from an α -enumeration operator Φ_{η} . Define

$$W_{\zeta} \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \alpha \times \alpha : \exists K_{\epsilon} [(K_{\delta} = \bigcup_{\beta \in K_{\epsilon}} K_{\beta}) \land \forall x \in K_{\gamma} \exists \beta \in K_{\epsilon} . \langle x, \beta \rangle \in \Phi_{\eta}] \}.$$

The set W_{ζ} is $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ by proposition 3.4.6 since it is defined using bounded quantifiers and α -c.e. set Φ_{η} . Note that the index ζ is uniformly α -computable from the index η .

Now let $\gamma < \alpha$ be arbitrary. By proposition 3.2.10 an α -finite union of α -finite sets is α -finite. Thus $K_{\gamma} \subseteq W_{\zeta}(B) \iff \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W_{\zeta} \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B] \iff \exists \delta < \alpha[[\exists K_{\epsilon}[(K_{\delta} = \bigcup_{\beta \in K_{\epsilon}} K_{\beta}) \land \forall x \in K_{\gamma} \exists \beta \in K_{\epsilon}.\langle x, \beta \rangle \in \Phi_{\eta}]] \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B] \iff$

⁸⁸Introduced in this thesis.

 $\exists K_{\epsilon} [\forall x \in K_{\gamma} \exists \beta \in K_{\epsilon} . [\langle x, \beta \rangle \in \Phi_{\eta} \land K_{\beta} \subseteq B] \land \forall \beta \in K_{\epsilon} . K_{\beta} \subseteq B] \iff (*)$ $\forall x \in K_{\gamma} \exists \beta [\langle x, \beta \rangle \in \Phi_{\eta} \land K_{\beta} \subseteq B] \iff \forall x \in K_{\gamma} . x \in \Phi_{\eta}(B) \iff K_{\gamma} \subseteq \Phi_{\eta}(B).$ Hence $W_{\zeta}(B) = \Phi_{\eta}(B)$ as required.

* Assume condition i). Define the relation

 $R(x,\beta) \iff \langle x,\beta \rangle \in \Phi \land K_{\beta} \subseteq B.$

Note that $R \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$. Using $\langle L_\alpha, B \rangle \models \Sigma_0$ -replacement there is $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ s.t. $\forall x \in \operatorname{dom}(R).R(x, f(x))$ by proposition 3.4.15. The direction \Leftarrow holds by taking $K_\epsilon \coloneqq f[K_\gamma]$ which is α -finite using $\langle L_\alpha, B \rangle \models \Sigma_1$ -replacement.

* Assume condition ii). Given

$$\forall x \in K_{\gamma} \exists \beta [\langle x, \beta \rangle \in \Phi_{\eta} \land K_{\beta} \subseteq B],$$

we have

$$\exists K'_{\epsilon} \forall x \in K_{\gamma} \exists \beta \in K'_{\epsilon} [\langle x, \beta \rangle \in \Phi_{\eta} \land K_{\beta} \subseteq B]$$

using $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$ -collection. Then the direction \Leftarrow holds by taking $K_{\epsilon} := \{\beta \in K'_{\epsilon} : K_{\beta} \subseteq B\} \in L_{\alpha} \text{ using } \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$ -separation. \Box

Proposition 3.9.2. (Correspondence between $\leq_{w\alpha e}$ and $\leq_{\alpha e}$ reducibilities⁸⁹)

- i) If $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$, then $A \leq_{w \alpha e} B$,
- ii) If $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and B is megaregular, then $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$.

Proof. i) is true by taking an α -enumeration operator Φ^w to be W from $\leq_{\alpha e}$.

To prove that ii), assume first $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$. So $A \leq_{vw\alpha e} B$ by proposition 3.7.4. Define W from Φ^{vw} using lemma 3.9.1 and $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ -replacement true by the megaregularity of B. We have $A = W(B) = \Phi^{vw}(B)$ and

$$\forall \gamma < \alpha [K_{\gamma} \subseteq A \iff \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W \land K_{\delta} \subseteq B]]$$

and so $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$.

Corollary 3.9.3. ⁹⁰ Let $e < \alpha$. Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ and let B be megaregular. Then $A \leq_{\alpha e} \Phi_e(B) \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} B$.

Proof. By fact 3.7.11i and proposition 3.9.2ii we have $A \leq_{\alpha e} \Phi_e(B) \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Then $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ by the transitivity of $\leq_{\alpha e}$ as required.

Corollary 3.9.4. (Correspondence between $\leq_{w\alpha}$ and \leq_{α} reducibilities)

- i) $A \leq_{\alpha} B \implies A \leq_{w\alpha} B$,
- ii) $A \leq_{w\alpha} B \implies A \leq_{\alpha} B$ if B is megaregular.

Proof. Follows from fact 3.7.16 and proposition 3.9.2.

 ⁸⁹Introduced in this thesis. Analogous to [4] Proposition 1.15 and Proposition 1.33.
 ⁹⁰Introduced in this thesis.

3.9.2 Weak reducibilities and definability

We investigate the relationship between the weak α -enumeration reducibility and the Σ_1 definability with a positive parameter.

Definition 3.9.5. (Witness property⁹¹)

We say that $\phi(x, B)$ has a *witness property* in a parameter B iff for an arbitrary $x < \alpha$: if $L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, B)$, then there is $K \subseteq B$ s.t. $L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, K)$ and $K \in L_{\alpha}$.

Lemma 3.9.6. (Bounded usage of a positive parameter⁹²) Let $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ and $A := \{x < \alpha : \langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \phi(x, B)\}$. Then $\forall x \in A \exists \delta < \alpha [\langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \phi(x, B \cap \delta)].$

Moreover uniformly δ is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ definable from the formula ϕ .

Proof. Extend $\phi(x, B)$ to $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ where \overline{x} is a list of parameters in order to enable the proof by the structural induction. In the end, $\phi(x, B)$ can be thought of as $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ with x as one free variable in \overline{x} and other variables in the list \overline{x} fixed. For every formula $\phi(\overline{x}, B)$ we construct a total α -computable bounding function $\delta_{\phi}(\overline{x})$ s.t. if $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x}, B)$, then also $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^+ \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x}, B \cap \delta_{\phi}(\overline{x}))$.

- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) \in QF(L_{\alpha})$, then $\delta_{\phi}(\overline{x}) \coloneqq 0$.
- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = x_i \in B$, then $\delta_{\phi}(\overline{x}) \coloneqq x_i$.
- If $\phi(\overline{x}, B) = \phi_1(\overline{x}, B) \blacklozenge \phi_2(\overline{x}, B)$ where $\blacklozenge \in \{\land, \lor\}$, then $\delta_{\phi}(\overline{x}) \coloneqq \max(\delta_{\phi_1}(\overline{x}), \delta_{\phi_2}(\overline{x})).$
- Let φ(x̄, B) = ∃y.ψ(x̄, y, B). If ⟨L_α, B⁺⟩ ⊨ φ(x̄, B), then there is some y < α s.t. ⟨L_α, B⁺⟩ ⊨ ψ(x̄, y, B). Define

$$R \coloneqq \{ \langle \overline{x}, \delta_y \rangle : \delta_y = \delta_\psi(\overline{x}, y) \land y < \alpha \land \psi(\overline{x}, y, B) \}.$$

Note that $R \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$. So by the relativized Uniformization Theorem 3.4.15 there is function $\delta_\phi \subseteq R$ which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B)$ definable and hence the function required.

Let φ(x̄, B) = ∀y ∈ K.ψ(x̄, y, B) or φ(x̄, B) = ∃y ∈ K.ψ(x̄, y, B) for some K ∈ L_α. Define δ_φ(x̄) := sup(δ_ψ[{x̄} × K]). By the admissibility of α, the supremum is computed on an α-finite set, hence δ_φ(x̄) is well-defined.

It is easy to verify assuming the induction hypothesis that the bounded functions constructed are $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B)$ definable, cover all the inductive

⁹¹Introduced in this thesis, but a general idea of a witness common in mathematics. ⁹²Introduced in this thesis.

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steps and satisfy the condition: if $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^{+} \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x}, B)$, then $\delta_{\phi}(\overline{x}) \downarrow$ and $\langle L_{\alpha}, B^{+} \rangle \models \phi(\overline{x}, B \cap \delta_{\phi}(\overline{x}))$. Hence $\forall x \in A \exists \delta < \alpha[\langle L_{\alpha}, B^{+} \rangle \models \phi(x, B \cap \delta)]$ using the $\Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}, B)$ definable function δ_{ϕ} as required.

Proposition 3.9.7. (Witness property⁹³)

Let $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$, $A \coloneqq \{x < \alpha : \langle L_\alpha, B^+ \rangle \models \phi(x, B)\}$ and B be a regular set. Then

 $\forall x \in A \exists K \in L_{\alpha}[L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, K) \text{ and } K \subseteq B].$

Proof. This follows from lemma 3.9.6 and the regularity of *B* as $K \coloneqq B \cap \delta \in L_{\alpha}$ for $\delta < \alpha$.

Definition 3.9.8. (Monotonicity of a formula⁹⁴)

A formula $\phi(x, B)$ is *monotone* in a parameter B iff for every $B, C \subseteq \alpha$:

if $B \subseteq C$, then $\{x < \alpha : L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, B)\} \subseteq \{x < \alpha : L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, C)\}.$

Proposition 3.9.9. ⁹⁵ Let $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$. Then $\phi(x, B)$ is monotone in a parameter B.

Proof. The proof follows from the structural induction on the formula $\phi(x, B)$, carried out in a similar way like in the proof of lemma 3.9.6.

Proposition 3.9.10. (Σ_1 definability and $\leq_{w\alpha e}$ reducibility correspondence⁹⁶)

- i) $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B \implies A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+),$
- ii) $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+) \wedge B$ regular $\implies A \leq_{w \alpha e} B$.

Proof. i) Assume $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$. So

$$A = \{x < \alpha : L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, B)\}$$

where

$$\phi(x,B) \equiv \exists \gamma < \alpha[\langle x,\gamma \rangle \in \Phi \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq B]$$

for some weak α -enumeration operator $\Phi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Note that $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ and $\phi(x, B)$ defines A. Hence $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$.

ii) Assume $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$. So

$$A = \{x < \alpha : L_{\alpha} \models \phi(x, B)\}$$

⁹³Introduced in this thesis.

⁹⁴Introduced in this thesis. The idea taken from the general monotonicity property of the enumeration operators in classical Computability Theory.

⁹⁵Introduced in this thesis.

⁹⁶Introduced in this thesis. Analogous to [4] Proposition 1.30.

for some $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ where $\phi(x, B)$ has a witness property by the regularity of *B* and by proposition 3.9.7. Hence

$$\forall x < \alpha [x \in A \iff \exists \beta < \alpha . [\phi(x, K_{\beta}) \land K_{\beta} \subseteq B]].$$

So define a weak α -enumeration operator $\Phi := \{\langle x, \beta \rangle : \phi(x, K_{\beta})\}$. As $\phi(x, B) \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$, so $\phi(x, K_{\beta}) \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ by proposition 3.4.3. Note $A = \Phi(B)$. Hence $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$.

Proposition 3.9.11. ⁹⁷ The following are true:

i) A ≤_{wα} B ⇒ A ∈ Δ₁(L_α, B),
ii) A ∈ Δ₁(L_α, B) ⇒ A ≤_{wα} B if B is a regular set. *Proof.* The statements follow from proposition 3.9.10 and fact 3.7.16.

Proposition 3.9.12. ⁹⁸ If $A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$, then $C \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$.

Proof. Assume
$$A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$$
 and $C \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Then $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$.

3.9.3 Conclusions

We summarize the relations between the definability and reducibilities from this section in implication diagrams.

Proposition 3.9.13. (Σ_1 definability and α -enumeration reducibilities correspondence)

We have the following implication diagram:



Proposition 3.9.14. (Δ_1 definability and α -reducibilities correspondence) We have the following implication diagram:

⁹⁷From Proposition 1.30 and Proposition 1.33 in [4].

⁹⁸Introduced in this thesis.


Corollary 3.9.15. ⁹⁹ We have the following implication diagrams:



Proof. Follows from proposition 3.4.2, proposition 3.9.13 and proposition 3.9.14.

3.10 Degree Theory

The generalizations of the Turing and the enumeration degrees are introduced briefly as the α degrees \mathcal{D}_{α} and the α -enumeration degrees $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ respectively.

Definition 3.10.1. (Degrees¹⁰⁰)

A degree structure is a set of equivalence classes induced by an equivalence relation induced by a reducibility relation. In particular:

- $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \coloneqq \mathcal{P}(\alpha) / \equiv_{\alpha} \text{ is a set of } \alpha\text{-degrees.}$
- $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e} \coloneqq \mathcal{P}(\alpha) / \equiv_{\alpha e}$ is a set of α -enumeration degrees.

Induce \leq on \mathcal{D}_{α} and $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ by \leq_{α} and $\leq_{\alpha e}$ respectively.

3.10.1 Total degrees

Definition 3.10.2. (Total degrees¹⁰¹)

A degree $d \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is *total* iff $\exists D \in d.D \equiv_{\alpha e} \overline{D}$. The set of the total degrees of $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is denoted by $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$.

⁹⁹Adapted from the Corollary 1.31 in [4].

¹⁰⁰The α -degrees are well-established, see [4][23]. The α -enumeration degrees are introduced in this thesis.

¹⁰¹The total α -enumeration degrees introduced and studied in this thesis.

Theorem 3.10.3. ¹⁰² Let χ_A be the characteristic function of A. Then

 $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha[A \leq_{\alpha} B \iff \chi_A \leq_{\alpha e} \chi_B].$

Corollary 3.10.4. (Degree embedding¹⁰³)

The map $\iota : \mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \to \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ given by $\iota : \deg_{\alpha}(A) \mapsto \deg_{\alpha e}(A \oplus \overline{A})$ is an embedding whose image are the total degrees $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$.

Proof. Use the fact $\chi_A \equiv_{\alpha e} A \oplus \overline{A}$ and theorem 3.10.3.

From corollary 3.10.4 and definition 3.10.2 we can see directly the following fact.

Fact 3.10.5. (Equivalent definition of total degrees)

Let $\iota : \mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ be the embedding from above. The total α -enumeration degrees $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$ are the image of ι , i.e. $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e} := \iota[\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}]$.

3.10.2 Unboundedness of $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$

Proposition 3.10.6. (Set not α -enumerable from a given set¹⁰⁴)

Given a set $A \subseteq \alpha$, there is a set $C \subseteq \alpha$ s.t. C is not α -enumerable from A, i.e. $C \not\leq_{\alpha e} A$.

Proof. We must satisfy $\forall e < \alpha.C \neq \Phi_e(A)$. So define $C := \{e < \alpha : e \notin \Phi_e(A)\}$. Then $C \not\leq_{\alpha e} A$ as required.

Corollary 3.10.7. (Unboundedness of α -enumeration degrees¹⁰⁵) For every set $A \subseteq \alpha$, there is a set $B \subseteq \alpha$ s.t. $A <_{\alpha e} B$.

Proof. Let $C \subseteq \alpha$ s.t. $C \not\leq_{\alpha e} A$ using proposition 3.10.6. Then $A <_{\alpha e} B = A \oplus C$ as required.

3.10.3 Properties of \mathcal{D}_{α} and $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$

Proposition 3.10.8. (Properties of the degrees \mathcal{D}_{α} and $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}^{106}$)

- transitivity: $\forall a, b, c [a \leq b \land b \leq c \implies a \leq c]$,
- unboundedness: $\forall a \exists b.a < b$,
- cardinality of a degree: $\forall a. \#a = \#\alpha$.

¹⁰²Theorem 2 in [6].

¹⁰³Follows from Theorem 2 in [6]

¹⁰⁴Introduced in this thesis.

¹⁰⁵Introduced in this thesis.

¹⁰⁶Introduced in this thesis for $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$. Usually assumed implicitly for \mathcal{D}_{α} .

• cardinality of the structure: $\#\mathcal{D}_{\alpha} = \#\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e} = \#\mathcal{P}(\alpha)$.

Proof. The transitivity is induced by the transitivity of $\leq_{\alpha e}$ and \leq_{α} (fact 3.7.17). The unboundedness of $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ follows from corollary 3.10.7 which also implies the unboundedness of \mathcal{D}_{α} . Any two sets in the same degree are reducible to each other by some reduction procedure with an index from α and hence the cardinality of a degree is the cardinality of α and there have to be $\#\mathcal{P}(\alpha)$ many degrees.

As an α -enumeration operator itself is an α -c.e. set, we have directly the following fact.

Fact 3.10.9. The least degree 0 of $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is the set of $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ subsets of α .

3.10.4 α -join operator

We introduce an α -join operator which is used to prove a degree theoretic statement corollary 3.10.12.

Definition 3.10.10. (α -join and α -join operator¹⁰⁷)

Let $A_{\gamma} \subseteq \alpha$ denote a set with an index $\gamma < \alpha$. For an index set $I \subseteq \alpha$ define the α -join of the set $\{A_{\gamma}\}_{\gamma \in I}$ to be

$$\bigoplus_{\gamma \in I} A_{\gamma} = \{i(\gamma, x) : \gamma \in I \land x \in A_{\gamma}\}$$

where $i: \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ is an α -computable bijection. Call $\bigoplus_{\gamma \in I}$ an α -join operator.

Clearly, for $\forall \delta \in I[A_{\delta} \leq_{\alpha e} \bigoplus_{\gamma \in I} A_{\gamma}].$

Proposition 3.10.11. ¹⁰⁸ Let $\deg_{\alpha e}(A_0)$, $\deg_{\alpha e}(A_1)$, $\deg_{\alpha e}(A_2)$,... be a β sequence of strictly increasing α -enumeration degrees and $\beta \leq \alpha$. Then there is
an α -enumeration degree $\deg_{\alpha e}(A)$ which is greater than any other degree in the
sequence.

Proof. Let A be an α -join of all the degrees in the β -sequence. Then A is strictly greater than any other A_{γ} in the sequence as required since the sequence is strictly increasing.

Corollary 3.10.12. ¹⁰⁹ Any subset of α -enumeration degrees whose cardinality is at most $\#\alpha$ has an upper bound in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$.

¹⁰⁷Introduced in this thesis.

¹⁰⁸Introduced in this thesis.

¹⁰⁹Introduced in this thesis.

3.11 Computability with infinite cardinal and assumption V = L

Many notions in α -Computability Theory trivialize and simplify if we assume the axiom of constructibility V = L and α is taken to be an infinite cardinal, even more when α is an infinite regular cardinal.

Throughout this section assume that V = L.

Fact 3.11.1. ¹¹⁰ Let α be an infinite cardinal. Let $A \subseteq \alpha$. Then:

- i) A is regular,
- ii) $A \in L_{\alpha} \iff \exists \beta < \alpha . A \subseteq \beta$.

3.11.1 Computability with infinite regular cardinal

Proposition 3.11.2. (α -finiteness of subsets of smaller cardinality¹¹¹) Let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Let $A \subseteq \alpha$ and $\#A < \alpha$. Then $A \in L_{\alpha}$.

Proof. As $\#A < \alpha$, so A cannot be cofinal in α . Thus it has to be bounded by some $\beta < \alpha$. Hence $A \in L_{\alpha}$ by fact 3.11.1.

Proposition 3.11.3. (Superadmissibility of infinite regular cardinal¹¹²) Let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then L_{α} satisfies the full replacement axiom:

$$\forall f : \alpha \to \alpha \forall K \in L_{\alpha}. f[K] \in L_{\alpha}.$$

Proof. As α is an infinite regular cardinal, so if $K \in L_{\alpha}$, then $\#K < \alpha$. Also $\#f[K] \leq \#K$ by f being a single-valued function. Hence $f[K] \in L_{\alpha}$ by proposition 3.11.2.

Corollary 3.11.4. ¹¹³ If α is an infinite regular cardinal, then every subset of α is megaregular.

Proof. Follows from proposition 3.11.3.

Corollary 3.11.5. ¹¹⁴ If α is an infinite regular cardinal, then $\leq_{\alpha e} = \leq_{w\alpha e}$.

¹¹⁰Follows from [4]p5 part (d).

¹¹¹Usually assumed implicitly in α -Computability Theory. Parts present in standard Set Theory texts, see [21].

¹¹²Usually assumed implicitly in α -Computability Theory. Parts present in standard Set Theory texts, see [21].

¹¹³Introduced in this thesis. A direct consequence of well-established facts.

¹¹⁴Introduced in this thesis. A direct consequence of well-established facts.

Proof. By proposition 3.9.2 if $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$, then $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$. Also by proposition 3.9.2 if $A \leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and B is megaregular, then $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$. As α is an infinite regular cardinal, so B is megaregular by corollary 3.11.4. Therefore $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha [A \leq_{w\alpha e} B \iff A \leq_{\alpha e} B]$ and so $\leq_{\alpha e} = \leq_{w\alpha e}$ as required. \Box

Remark 3.11.6. Fact 3.11.1 and corollary 3.11.4 imply that every subset of an infinite regular cardinal is regular and megaregular. This reveals that the computability on an infinite regular cardinal κ behaves similar to classical Computability Theory. A further comparison can be summarized as follows:

	classical CT	α -CT	κ -CT
computation domain	\mathbb{N}	L_{α}	L_{κ}
computable	$\Delta_1(\mathbb{N})$	$\Delta_1(L_{lpha})$	$\Delta_1(L_\kappa)$
c.e.	$\Sigma_1(\mathbb{N})$	$\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$	$\Sigma_1(L_\kappa)$
finite	bounded	bounded and Δ_1	bounded
replacement strength	full replacement	Σ_1 -replacement	full replacement

Proposition 3.11.7. ¹¹⁵ Assume that α is an infinite regular cardinal. Let $A := \bigcup_{\gamma \in I} K_{\gamma}$ where $\#I < \alpha$ and $I \subseteq \alpha$. Then A is α -finite.

Proof. If α is an infinite regular cardinal, then A is not cofinal in α as it is a union of #I subsets of α for $s < \alpha$ and each subset has a cardinality less than α . Hence $\#A < \alpha$ and so A is bounded in $\beta < \alpha$. Consequently $A = A \cap \beta \in L_{\alpha}$ by fact 3.11.1.

Alternatively, $\#I < \alpha$ and so $I \in L_{\alpha}$ by fact 3.11.1. By then A is an α -finite union of α -finite sets. Hence A is α -finite by proposition 3.2.10 as required. \Box

3.12 α -enumeration jump

We define a weak α -enumeration jump and an α -enumeration jump, then prove that they are equivalent under the weak α -enumeration reducibility. Thus if megaregular both jumps are in the same α -enumeration degree. We investigate several properties of an α -enumeration jump including totality, monotonicity and Σ_n -completeness of the $n^{\text{th}} \alpha$ -enumeration jump. The properties are established under assumptions such as Σ_n -replacement axiom or megaregularity. At the end we prove that any megaregular jump can be used equivalently as an oracle in constructions and priority arguments.

This section generalizes a well-known notion of the enumeration jump from classical Computability Theory unseen in α -Computability Theory before.

¹¹⁵Introduced in this thesis.

3.12.1 Jump definitions

We consider $K(A) := \{x < \alpha : x \in \Phi_x(A)\}$ as a weak α -jump of A and define its α -enumeration counterpart.

Definition 3.12.1. (Weak α -enumeration jump)

A weak α -enumeration jump of a set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is the set $J_{w\alpha e}(A)$ defined as follows:

- $K(A) \coloneqq \{x < \alpha : x \in \Phi_x(A)\},\$
- $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \coloneqq K(A) \oplus \overline{K(A)}.$

Definition 3.12.2. $(\alpha$ -enumeration jump)¹¹⁶

An α -enumeration jump of a set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is the set $J_{\alpha e}(A)$ defined as follows:

- $H^+(A) \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : K_\gamma \subseteq \Phi_\delta(A) \},\$
- $H^{-}(A) \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : K_{\gamma} \subseteq \overline{\Phi_{\delta}(A)} \},\$
- $J_{\alpha e}(A) \coloneqq H^+(A) \oplus H^-(A).$

The $n^{\text{th}} \alpha$ -enumeration jump of the set A is defined inductively as follows:

• $J^{(0)}_{\alpha e}(A) \coloneqq A$

•
$$J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(A) \coloneqq J_{\alpha e}(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A))$$

Definition 3.12.3. (Halting set)

The halting set of $A \subseteq \alpha$ is defined as $H(A) \coloneqq \{\langle x, y \rangle : x \in \Phi_y(A)\}.$

3.12.2 Equivalence of jump definitions

We investigate the relations and reductions between different jump definitions.

Lemma 3.12.4. $\exists e \forall x \forall y [x \in \Phi_y \iff \langle x, y \rangle \in \Phi_e].$

Proof. The index e is defined by

$$\Phi_e \coloneqq \{z : \exists x, y | z = \langle x, y \rangle \land x \in \Phi_y \} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$$

as required.

Lemma 3.12.5. There is an α -computable function $g : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall x, y [x \in \Phi_y \iff g(x, y) \in \Phi_{g(x, y)}].$$

¹¹⁶Generalized from [25].

Proof. The function g takes parameters x and y and produces the index z = g(x, y) of an α -c.e. set Φ_z which behaves as follows. The enumeration of the α -c.e. set Φ_y is simulated. If x is enumerated by Φ_y , then Φ_z enumerates all of α , enumerating the least unenumerated element first, so $\Phi_z = \alpha$. If x is never enumerated by Φ_y , then Φ_z does not enumerate any elements and so $\Phi_z = \emptyset$. Note that g is α -computable and

$$x \in \Phi_y \iff \alpha = \Phi_z \iff g(x, y) \in \Phi_{g(x, y)}$$

as required.

Proposition 3.12.6. (Reductions between jumps and halting sets)

1. $A \leq_{\alpha m} K(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H^+(A)$, 2. $H^+(A) \leq_{w \alpha e} H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} K(A) \leq_{w \alpha e} A$ and $H(A) \leq_{w \alpha e} A$, 3. $\overline{A} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} H^-(A)$, 4. $H^-(A) \leq_{w \alpha e} \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)}$.

Proof. Note that A is α -many-one reducible to K(A) as

$$a \in A \iff f(a) \in K(A)$$

where f is an α -computable function defined by

$$\Phi_{f(a)} \coloneqq \{ \langle y, \gamma \rangle : K_{\gamma} = \{a\} \land y \in \alpha \},\$$

Thus $A \leq_{\alpha m} K(A)$. Next $K(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A)$ via $x \mapsto \langle x, x \rangle$. Finally, $H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H^+(A)$ via

$$g = \{(\langle x, y \rangle, \langle \gamma, y \rangle) : K_{\gamma} = \{x\}\}.$$

Therefore $A \leq_{\alpha m} K(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H^+(A)$ and the statement 1 holds.

To prove $H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} K(A)$, given $x, y < \alpha$, define

$$\Phi_z \coloneqq \{ \langle q, \delta \rangle : \langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi_y \land \gamma \in \alpha \land q \in \alpha \}.$$

Note that the index z is uniformly α -computable from the indices x, y and $\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi_y \iff \langle z, \delta \rangle \in \Phi_z$, so $x \in \Phi_y(A) \iff z \in \Phi_z(A)$. Thus $\langle x, y \rangle \in H(A) \iff z(x, y) \in K(A)$. Hence $H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} K(A)$ as required.

To prove $H^+(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} H(A)$ notice that

 $\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in H^+(A) \iff \forall x \in K_{\gamma}[x \in \Phi_{\delta}(A)] \iff \forall x \in K_{\gamma}[\langle x, \delta \rangle \in H(A)]$ and so $H^+(A) \leq_{wae} H(A)$ via

$$\Phi \coloneqq \{ \langle \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle, \epsilon \rangle \in \alpha : \forall x \in K_{\gamma} . \langle x, \delta \rangle \in K_{\epsilon} \} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

To prove $K(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$, let *e* be the index s.t. $\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi_x \iff \langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi_e$ for any pair $\langle x, \delta \rangle$ using lemma 3.12.4. Then

$$x \in K(A) \iff x \in \Phi_x(A) \iff x \in \Phi_e(A).$$

Thus $K(A) = \Phi_e(A)$ and so $K(A) \leq_{w \alpha e} A$ via Φ_e .

Similarly, to prove $H(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$, let \hat{e} be the index s.t.

 $\langle x, \delta \rangle \in \Phi_y \iff \langle \langle x, \delta \rangle, y \rangle \in \Phi_{\hat{e}}$

for any $x, y, \delta < \alpha$ using lemma 3.12.4. Then

$$\langle x, y \rangle \in H(A) \iff x \in \Phi_y(A) \iff \langle x, y \rangle \in \Phi_{\hat{e}}(A).$$

Thus $H(A) = \Phi_{\hat{e}}(A)$ and so $H(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$ via $\Phi_{\hat{e}}$.

Therefore $H^+(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} K(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$ and $H(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$, so the statement 2 holds.

As $A \leq_{\alpha m} K(A)$, so $\overline{A} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)}$. As $K(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A)$, so $\overline{K(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(A)}$. Also $\overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} H^{-}(A)$ via g. Therefore $\overline{A} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} H^{-}(A)$ and the statement 3 holds.

By symmetry we have $H^{-}(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)}$ and the statement 4 holds as required.

Proposition 3.12.7. (Equivalence of the α -enumeration jump definitions) For any admissible ordinal α and $A \subseteq \alpha$ we have:

1.
$$J_{w\alpha e}(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} J_{\alpha e}(A),$$

2. $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \equiv_{\alpha m} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \equiv_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A) \text{ and } J_{w\alpha e}(A) \equiv_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A),$

3. $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \equiv_{\alpha e} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \equiv_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ if $J_{w\alpha e}(A)$ is megaregular.

Proof. By proposition 3.12.6 we have $K(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H^+(A)$ and $\overline{K(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} H^-(A)$. So $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ and the statement 1 holds.

By proposition 3.12.6 we have $H_{\alpha e}^+(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} H(A) \leq_{\alpha m} K(A)$ and $H_{\alpha e}^-(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)}$, so $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \geq_{\alpha m} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \geq_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ and hence $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \equiv_{\alpha m} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \equiv_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ and $J_{w\alpha e}(A) \equiv_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ using the statement 1.

The statement 3 follows from the statement 2 and the megaregularity of $J_{w\alpha e}(A)$.

Therefore if $J_{w\alpha e}(A)$ is megaregular, we can use any of the definitions of an α -enumeration jump as convenient.

3.12.3 Totality

Clearly, by definition the degree of $J_{w\alpha e}(A)$ is a total degree. We investigate the totality of the α -enumeration jump $J_{\alpha e}(A)$.

Proposition 3.12.8. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)} \leq_{w \alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A).$

Proof. Let $\triangle \in \{-,+\}$ and $\nabla \in \{-,+\} - \{\triangle\}$. Then $\overline{H^{\triangle}(A)} \leq_{w \alpha e} H^{\nabla}(A)$ via

$$\Phi = \{ \langle \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle, \epsilon \rangle : \exists \beta < \alpha [K_{\beta} \neq \emptyset \land K_{\beta} \subseteq K_{\gamma} \land \{ \langle \beta, \delta \rangle \} = K_{\epsilon}] \}$$

since

$$\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in \overline{H^{\vartriangle}(A)} \iff \exists \beta < \alpha [K_{\beta} \neq \emptyset \land K_{\beta} \subseteq K_{\gamma} \land \langle \beta, \delta \rangle \in H^{\nabla}(A)].$$

Thus

$$\overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)} = \overline{H^+(A) \oplus H^-(A)} = \overline{H^+(A)} \oplus \overline{H^-(A)} \leq_{w \alpha e} H^-(A) \oplus H^+(A) = J_{\alpha e}(A).$$

Therefore $J_{\alpha e}(A) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)} \leq_{w \alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ as required. \Box

The following definition will be useful in proposition 3.12.10 below.

Definition 3.12.9. (Pointclass union)

We define the *pointclass union* of the pointclasses θ_A and θ_B to be the pointclass θ by defining $\theta(D, C) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(D)$ from $\theta_A(D, C) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(D)$ and $\theta_B(D, C) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(D)$ for an arbitrary set of parameters D and a parameter $C \subseteq D$ as follows:

$$\theta_A \cup \theta_B(D,C) := \{ E \subseteq D : \exists A, B \subseteq D \\ [E \in \Delta_0(D,C,B,A) \land A \in \theta_A(D,C) \land B \in \theta_B(D,C)] \}.$$

Proposition 3.12.10. (Definability class of the $n^{\text{th}} \alpha$ -enumeration jump) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume $\langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models \Delta_n$ -collection. Then:

1. $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A) \in \Sigma_n \cup \Pi_n(L_\alpha, A)$

2.
$$J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A) \in \Delta_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, A)$$

Proof. The second statement follows from the first. We prove the first statement by the induction.

BC: If n = 0, then trivially $J_{\alpha e}^{(0)}(A) = A \in QF(L_{\alpha}, A) \subset \Sigma_0 \cup \Pi_0(L_{\alpha}, A)$.

IC: Assume III that $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A) \in \Delta_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, A)$. As $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A) \in \Delta_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}, A)$ and $\langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models \Delta_{n+1}$ -collection, so $\langle L_{\alpha}, J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A) \rangle \models \Delta_{1}$ -collection by corollary 3.4.11. By definition

$$J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(A) = J_{\alpha e}(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) = H^+(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \oplus H^-(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)).$$

Note that $H^+(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A))$ and $H^-(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A))$ by proposition 3.4.9 using $\langle L_\alpha, J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A) \rangle \models \Delta_1$ -collection. IH and $H^+(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A))$ imply $H^+(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha, A)$ by $\langle L_\alpha, A \rangle \models \Delta_{n+1}$ -collection and proposition 3.4.10ii. $H^-(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha, J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A))$ and IH imply $H^-(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)) \in \Pi_{n+1}(L_\alpha, A)$ by $\langle L_\alpha, A \rangle \models \Delta_{n+1}$ -collection and proposition 3.4.10iv. Hence $J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(A) \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha, A) \cup \Pi_{n+1}(L_\alpha, A)$ as required. \Box

Corollary 3.12.11. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -replacement. Then $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular.

Proof. As $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -replacement, so $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -collection by proposition 3.4.19. Thus $L_{\alpha} \models \Delta_n$ -collection. Hence $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset) \in \Delta_{n+1}(L_{\alpha})$ by proposition 3.12.10. As $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -replacement and $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset) \in \Delta_{n+1}(L_{\alpha})$, so $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular by proposition 3.8.9.

Corollary 3.12.12. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -replacement. Then $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ is a total set.

Proof. This follows from corollary 3.12.11 and proposition 3.12.8.

3.12.4 Monotonicity

Proposition 3.12.13. (Jump monotonicity)

Assume $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Then:

- i) $H(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} H(B)$,
- ii) $\overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(B)}$,
- iii) $H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \leq_{w\alpha e} H(B) \oplus \overline{H(B)},$
- iv) $J_{\alpha e}(B)$ is megaregular, then $J_{\alpha e}(A) \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(B)$.

Proof. The statement i: We have $H(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A \leq_{\alpha e} B \leq_{\alpha e} H(B)$ using proposition 3.12.6. Thus $H(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} H(B)$.

The statement ii: As $K(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} A$ by proposition 3.12.6 and $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$, so $K(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} B$. As $K(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} B$, so $\exists y \forall x [x \in K(A) \iff \langle x, y \rangle \in H(B)]$. Hence $K(A) \leq_{\alpha m} H(B)$. So $\overline{K(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(B)}$. Thus $\overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{K(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(B)}$ using proposition 3.12.6. Hence $\overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha m} \overline{H(B)}$.

The statement iii follows from the statements i and ii.

The statement iv: If $J_{\alpha e}(B)$ is megaregular, then $J_{\alpha e}(B) \equiv_{\alpha e} H(B) \oplus H(B)$ by proposition 3.12.7. By the statement iii and the megaregularity closure (proposition 3.8.13) we have

$$J_{\alpha e}(A) \equiv_{\alpha e} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \leq_{\alpha e} H(B) \oplus \overline{H(B)} \equiv_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(B)$$

and so $J_{\alpha e}(A) \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(B)$ as required.

3.12.5 Σ_n -completeness

We investigate the relativized Σ_1 completeness and non-relativized Σ_n completeness of the α -enumeration jump.

Proposition 3.12.14. (Σ_1 -completeness of a jump) Let $A, W \subseteq \alpha$ be arbitrary. Then:

- 1. $W \leq_{w\alpha e} A \implies W \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}(A).$
- 2. $\overline{W} \leq_{w\alpha e} A \implies W \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}(A).$
- 3. A regular $\wedge W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A^+) \implies W \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}(A).$
- 4. A regular $\wedge \overline{W} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A^+) \implies W \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}(A).$

Proof. To prove the first statement, note $\Phi_{\delta}(A) = W$ for some $\delta < \alpha$ as $W \leq_{w\alpha e} A$. Thus

$$K_{\gamma} \subseteq W \iff K_{\gamma} \subseteq \Phi_{\delta}(A) \iff \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in H^+(A)$$

and so $W \leq_{\alpha e} H^+(A)$. Also

$$K_{\gamma} \subseteq \overline{W} \iff K_{\gamma} \subseteq \overline{\Phi_{\delta}(A)} \iff \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in H^{-}(A)$$

and so $\overline{W} \leq_{\alpha e} H^{-}(A)$. Hence

$$W \oplus \overline{W} \leq_{\alpha e} H^+(A) \oplus H^-(A) = J_{\alpha e}(A).$$

Therefore $W \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ as required.

To imply the second statement, use the first statement as follows:

$$\overline{W} \leq_{w\alpha e} A \implies \overline{W} \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}(A) \implies W \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}(A).$$

The third and the fourth statement follow from the first the first and the second statements respectively and the regularity of A.

Lemma 3.12.15. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}[A \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}) \implies \exists B \in \Pi_n(L_{\alpha}).A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B^+)].$

Proof. By the definition of $\Sigma_{n+1}(L_{\alpha})$ class we have that $x \in A \iff \exists y.(x,y) \in B$ for some $B \in \prod_n(L_{\alpha})$. Clearly, $A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, B^+)$ as required. \Box

Proposition 3.12.16. (Σ_n -jump completeness)

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $A \subseteq \alpha$. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -replacement. Then

$$A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \implies A \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset).$$

Proof. We prove the statement by induction. Note that $J_{\alpha e}^{(0)}(B) \coloneqq B$. So the base case when n = 0 holds since $A \in \Sigma_0(L_\alpha) \implies A \leq_\alpha \emptyset$ trivially.

For the inductive case assume IH that $A \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha) \implies A \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ for any $A \subseteq \alpha$. We prove $\forall A \subseteq \alpha [A \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha) \implies A \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)]$. Let $A \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha)$ be arbitrary. Then $\exists B \in \Pi_n(L_\alpha).A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ by lemma 3.12.15. As $L_\alpha \models \Sigma_{n+1}$ -replacement and $B \in \Delta_{n+1}(L_\alpha)$, so B is megaregular by proposition 3.8.9 and thus regular. As $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B^+)$ and B is regular, so $A \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}(B)$ by proposition 3.12.14. As $\overline{B} \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$, so $\overline{B} \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ by IH. Thus $B \leq_\alpha J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$.

Note that $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ and $J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$ are megaregular by corollary 3.12.11 and $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_{n+2}$ -replacement. As $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular, so it is total by proposition 3.12.8. Using $B \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ and the totality of $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$, we have $B \oplus \overline{B} \leq_{\alpha e}$

 $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$. Hence $B \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$. As $B \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)$ and $J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset) = J_{\alpha e}(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset))$ is megaregular, so $J_{\alpha e}(B) \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(\emptyset)) = J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$ by proposition 3.12.13.

Since $J_{\alpha e}(B) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(B)} \leq_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(B)$ by proposition 3.12.8 and $J_{\alpha e}(B) \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$, so $J_{\alpha e}(B) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(B)} \leq_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$. As $J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular, so $J_{\alpha e}(B) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(B)} \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$. As $J_{\alpha e}(B) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(B)}$ is total, so $J_{\alpha e}(B) \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$. Since $A \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}(B)$ and $J_{\alpha e}(B) \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$, so $A \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)$.

Therefore

$$\forall A \subseteq \alpha [A \in \Sigma_{n+1}(L_{\alpha}) \implies A \leq_{\alpha} J_{\alpha e}^{(n+1)}(\emptyset)]$$

as required.

3.12.6 Usage in oracle constructions

We may use the following proposition 3.12.17 implicitly in the oracle constructions and definability statements.

Proposition 3.12.17. Assume that K(A) is megaregular, then

$$S \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, J_{\alpha e}(A)) \implies S \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, K(A)).$$

Proof. (Of proposition 3.12.17)

1. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \leq_{w\alpha e} H(A) \oplus \overline{H(A)} \leq_{w\alpha e} J_{w\alpha e}(A) = K(A) \oplus \overline{K(A)}$ by proposition 3.12.7. 2. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)} \leq_{w\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A)$ by proposition 3.12.8. 3. K(A) megaregular by assumption. 4. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \leq_{\alpha e} K(A) \oplus \overline{K(A)}$ by 1, 3. 5. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)} \leq_{w\alpha e} K(A) \oplus \overline{K(A)}$ by 2, 4. 6. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)} \leq_{\alpha e} K(A) \oplus \overline{K(A)}$ by 3, 5. 7. $J_{\alpha e}(A) \leq_{\alpha} K(A)$ by 6. 8. $J_{\alpha e}(A)$ megaregular by 3, 7. 9. $S \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha}, J_{\alpha e}(A))$ by assumption. 10. $S \oplus \overline{S} \leq_{\alpha e} J_{\alpha e}(A) \oplus \overline{J_{\alpha e}(A)}$ by 8, 9. 11. $S \oplus \overline{S} \leq_{\alpha e} K(A) \oplus \overline{K(A)}$ by 10, 6. 12. $S \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha}, K(A))$ by 11.

3.13 Simple construction

We provide a simple construction that demonstrates the use of a projectum and an assumption on megaregularity in α -Computability Theory.

Proposition 3.13.1. ¹¹⁷ For a set $A \subseteq \alpha$ let $A \not\equiv_{w\alpha e} \emptyset$. Assume that the projectum of α is $\alpha^* = \omega$ or that $K(\emptyset) \oplus A$ is megaregular where $K(C) := \{x < \alpha : x \in \Phi_x(C)\}$ represents a weak α -jump¹¹⁸ of C. Then there is $B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$.

One could simply take B to be \emptyset to prove the statement above. Instead we make a generic proof by constructing B from A given $A \not\equiv_{w\alpha e} \emptyset$. Later statements extend this proof by adding additional requirements, so it is important to present a simple construction first for better comprehension of later results.

Proof. (Of proposition 3.13.1)

Construction

To imply $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$, we would like to construct B in such way so that for each $\gamma < \alpha$ we satisfy the requirement:

$$R_{\gamma}: A \neq \Phi_{\gamma}(B).$$

We construct B in α^* stages. At the stage $\gamma < \alpha^*$, given B_{γ} , we construct $B_{\gamma+1}$ from B_{γ} . In the end $B = \bigcup_{\gamma < \alpha^*} B_{\gamma} \subseteq \alpha$. To satisfy R_{γ} for every $\gamma < \alpha$ in only α^* many stages, we index the requirements and α -computably enumerable sets with the indices from the projectum α^* by using the partial α -computable surjection $p_1 : \alpha^* \rightharpoonup \alpha$ from proposition 3.6.2.

During the construction we prove by induction that at every stage $\gamma < \alpha^*$, the set B_{γ} is α -finite by proving $B_{\gamma+1} \in L_{\alpha}$ at the stage $\gamma < \alpha^*$ and assuming the following IH at that stage:

$$B_{\gamma} \in L_{\alpha}.$$

Using the α -finiteness of B_{γ} , we also prove that B_{γ} is uniformly α -computable from the index γ by the α -computable function $f : \alpha^* \to L_{\alpha}, f : \gamma \mapsto B_{\gamma}$. We use this function $f \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ to conclude that $B \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$.

Let $B_0 := \emptyset$. Clearly, $B_0 \in L_\alpha$ and so the BC of the induction holds. Define $B_{\gamma+1}$ given B_γ at the stage γ below.

Stage γ : satisfy $A \neq \Phi_{\gamma}(B)$

Using the oracle $K(\emptyset)$ check if $\gamma \in \text{dom}(p_1)$. If $\gamma \notin \text{dom}(p_1)$, then set $B_{\gamma+1} := B_{\gamma}$ and proceed to the next stage $\gamma + 1$. Otherwise, proceed as follows. As $A \not\equiv_{w\alpha e} \emptyset$, so $\Phi_s(\alpha) \neq A$. Hence one of the following must hold:

¹¹⁷Introduced in this thesis.

 $^{^{118}}$ See section 3.12 for more details.

- Φ_γ(α) ⊂ A: As B ⊆ α, so Φ_γ(B) ⊂ A by the monotonicity of an α-enumeration operator Φ. Thus define B_{γ+1} := B_γ. The set B_{γ+1} is α-finite as B_γ ∈ L_α by IH. Note that R_γ is satisfied by B as Φ_γ(B) ⊂ A.
- ∃x ∈ Φ_γ(α) s.t. x ∉ A: Then take any x < α s.t. x ∈ Φ_γ(α) and x ∉ A. We must have some witness K ⊆ α in L_α s.t. x ∈ Φ_γ(K). Thus define B_{γ+1} := B_γ ∪ K. The set B_{γ+1} is α-finite as B_γ ∈ L_α by IH and K ∈ L_α. Note that R_γ is satisfied by B as B_{γ+1} ⊆ B.

Limit construction

If $\alpha^* = \omega$, then this construction is not needed.

Otherwise, let $\delta < \alpha$ be a limit ordinal. Define $B_{\delta} \coloneqq \bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} B_{\gamma}$. We prove B_{δ} is α -finite using the megaregularity of $K(\emptyset) \oplus A$.

Let $f : \alpha^* \to L_{\alpha}$ be the function $\gamma \mapsto B_{\gamma}$ which is defined as follows:

•
$$f(0) \coloneqq \emptyset$$
,

•
$$f(\gamma+1) \coloneqq \begin{cases} f(\gamma) & \text{if } \Phi_{\gamma}(\alpha) \subset A, \\ f(\gamma) \cup K_{\delta} & \text{if } \exists x [x \in \Phi_{\gamma}(\alpha) \land x \notin A] \text{ where} \\ \delta \coloneqq \mu \beta [x \in \Phi_{\gamma}(K_{\beta}) \land x \notin A]. \end{cases}$$

•
$$f(\delta) = \bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} f(\gamma)$$
 if $\lim(\delta)$.

Note that $f \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, K(\emptyset) \oplus A)$ since f is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ definable with the oracles A and $K(\emptyset)$ as seen from its definition above.

Trivially $f(0) \in L_{\alpha}$ and if $f(\gamma) \in L_{\alpha}$, then $f(\gamma + 1) \in L_{\alpha}$. Assume by the IH that f is total and well-defined on the domain δ where δ is a limit ordinal. Recall the α -computable bijection $b : \alpha \to L_{\alpha}$. Note that $I = b^{-1} \circ f[\delta] \in L_{\alpha}$ as $f \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, K(\emptyset) \oplus A), \delta \in L_{\alpha}$ and $K(\emptyset) \oplus A$ is megaregular. Therefore $B_{\delta} = f(\delta) = \bigcup_{\beta \in I} K_{\beta} \in L_{\alpha}$ as required.

Conclusion

Note that B constructed in α^* stages satisfies $\forall \gamma < \alpha^* A \neq \Phi_{\gamma}(B)$. So $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$. Furthermore, note that $B \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ since $f \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ and

$$B = \{ x < \alpha : \exists \gamma < \alpha^* . x \in f(\gamma) \}.$$

Hence $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$ and $B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as required.

Chapter 4

Kalimullin pair and semicomputability

A Kalimullin pair is an important relation in classical Computability Theory. The enumeration jump was defined in the enumeration degrees using a Kalimullin pair in [25]. Total degrees were defined in the enumeration degrees using a Kalimullin pair in [2].

There is a close connection between Kalimullin pairs and semicomputability. If A is semicomputable, then $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$, i.e. A and its complement \overline{A} are a Kalimullin pair.

We define an α -Kalimullin pair and show that it is definable in the α enumeration degrees $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal (corollary 4.3.8). We generalize some needed results on semicomputability by Jockusch [10] to conclude that every nontrivial total degree is a join of a maximal α -Kalimullin pair if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal (corollary 4.4.2).

The work of this chapter is used in chapter 6 to prove that if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal, then the total α -enumeration degrees $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$ are definable in the α -enumeration degrees $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ (theorem 6.3.7):

an α -enumeration degree is total iff it is trivial or a join of a maximal α -Kalimullin pair.

4.1 Semicomputability

We lift some needed results of Jockusch [10] on semicomputable sets from the level ω to a level α .

4.1.1 Definition and closure

Definition 4.1.1. A set $A \subseteq \alpha$ is α -semicomputable iff there exists a total α computable function $s_A : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$ called a selector function satisfying:

- i) $\forall x, y \in \alpha . s_A(x, y) \in \{x, y\},\$
- ii) $\forall x, y \in \alpha[\{x, y\} \cap A \neq \emptyset \implies s_A(x, y) \in A].$

Denote by $sc(L_{\alpha})$ the class of α -semicomputable sets.

We just say semicomputable instead of α -semicomputable if clear from the context.

Fact 4.1.2. (Semicomputability closure)

- i) $A \in \operatorname{sc}(L_{\alpha}) \iff \overline{A} \in \operatorname{sc}(L_{\alpha}),$
- ii) $A \oplus B \in \operatorname{sc}(L_{\alpha}) \implies A \in \operatorname{sc}(L_{\alpha}) \land B \in \operatorname{sc}(L_{\alpha}).$

4.1.2 Binary ordering

Definition 4.1.3. (Binary ordering)

Define $<_b \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\alpha) \times \mathcal{P}(\alpha)$ and $\leq_b \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\alpha) \times \mathcal{P}(\alpha)$ to be numerical orderings on the binary representation of the compared sets:

- $A <_{b} B : \iff \exists \beta \in \alpha [\beta \notin A \land \beta \in B \land A \cap \beta = B \cap \beta],$
- $A \leq_b B : \iff A <_b B \lor A = B.$

Remark 4.1.4. The restrictions of the orderings $<_b$ and \leq_b to α -finite sets are first-order definable and α -computable since an α -finite set is bounded.

Proposition 4.1.5. (Properties of binary ordering)

Let $\triangleleft \in \{<, \leq\}$, then:

- i) $<_b$ is a strict total order,
- ii) \leq_b is a total order,
- iii) $A \triangleleft_b B \iff \overline{B} \triangleleft_b \overline{A}$.

Proof. i) and ii) are trivial. Next we prove iii). Assume $A <_b B$. Then there is $\beta < \alpha$ s.t. $\beta \notin A$, $\beta \in B$, $A \cap \beta = B \cap \beta$. So $\beta \notin \overline{B}$, $\beta \in \overline{A}$, $\overline{A} \cap \beta = \overline{B} \cap \beta$. Thus $\overline{B} <_b \overline{A}$ and by symmetry $A <_b B \iff \overline{B} <_b \overline{A}$. Similarly, $A \leq_b B \iff \overline{B} \leq_b \overline{A}$. Therefore $A \triangleleft_b B \iff \overline{B} \triangleleft_b \overline{A}$ and iii) as required. It is easy to see the following.

Fact 4.1.6. (Binary and subset ordering)

- i) $A \subset B \implies A <_b B$,
- ii) $A \subseteq B \implies A \leq_b B$,
- iii) $A = B \iff A \equiv_b B.$

Note 4.1.7. If $A \leq_b C$ and $B \leq_b C$, is it true that $A \cup B \leq_b C$?

No. Consider $A = 011 \dots, B = 100 \dots, C = 110 \dots$ Then $A \cup B = 111 \dots$ Thus $A \leq_b C$ and $B \leq_b C$, but $\neg A \cup B \leq_b C$.

4.1.3 Left and right sets

Definition 4.1.8. Given a set A define $l_A \coloneqq \{x \in \alpha : K_x \leq_b A\}, r_A \coloneqq \overline{l_A}$.

Remark 4.1.9. If $A \notin L_{\alpha}$, then:

- $l_A = \{x < \alpha : K_x <_b A\}$ are α -finite sets *left* of A,
- $r_A = \{x < \alpha : A <_b K_x\}$ are α -finite sets right of A.

Proposition 4.1.10. (Properties of left/right α -finite sets) Let $A \subseteq \alpha$ and $\beta, \gamma, \delta < \alpha$. Then:

i) $K \in L_{\alpha} \wedge K_{\delta} = \bigcup_{\gamma \in K} K_{\gamma} \wedge \delta \in l_A \implies K \subseteq l_A$,

 $\gamma \in l_A$ and so $K \subseteq l_A$ as required.

- ii) $\beta \in l_A \land \gamma \in r_A \land K_\beta \cap \delta = K_\gamma \cap \delta \implies K_\beta \cap \delta \subseteq A.$
- *Proof.* i) Assume $K \in L_{\alpha}$, $K_{\delta} = \bigcup_{\gamma \in K} K_{\gamma}$, $\delta \in l_A$. So $K_{\delta} <_b A$. Assume $\gamma \in K$. Then $K_{\gamma} \subseteq K_{\delta} <_b A$ by fact 4.1.6i. So $K_{\gamma} \leq_b K_{\delta} <_b A$. Hence $K_{\gamma} <_b A$ by the transitivity of \leq_b (proposition 4.1.5). Therefore
 - ii) Assume $\beta \in l_A$, $\gamma \in r_A$, $K_\beta \cap \delta = K_\gamma \cap \delta$. So $K_\beta <_b A$ and $A <_b K_\gamma$. As $K_\beta <_b A <_b K_\gamma$ and $K_\beta \cap \delta = K_\gamma \cap \delta$, so $K_\beta \cap \delta = A \cap \delta = K_\gamma \cap \delta$. Thus $K_\beta \cap \delta \subseteq A \cap \delta \subseteq A$ as required.

Proposition 4.1.11. For any $A \subseteq \alpha$ the sets l_A, r_A are α -semicomputable.

Proof. l_A is α -semicomputable since it has an α -computable selector function

$$s := \{(x, y, x) : K_x \leq_b K_y\} \cup \{(x, y, y) : K_x >_b K_y\}$$

by remark **4**.**1**.**4**.

Proposition 4.1.12. Let $A \subseteq \alpha$ be a quasiregular set, then $A \equiv_{\alpha} l_A \equiv_{\alpha} r_A$.

Proof. If $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$, then trivially $A \equiv_\alpha l_A \equiv_\alpha r_A$. Hence WLOG assume that $A \notin L_\alpha$ and use remark 4.1.9. Also WLOG $A \notin \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$ and so in the proof implicitly use the property

$$\forall x \in A \exists y, z [x < y < \alpha \land x < z < \alpha \land y \notin A \land z \in A].$$

Note that $\bigcup_{x \in K_{\alpha}} K_x \in L_{\alpha}$. Hence for any $\gamma < \alpha$ we have

$$K_{\gamma} \subseteq l_A \iff \exists \beta < \alpha [K_{\beta} <_{b} A \land \forall x \in K_{\gamma}.K_{x} <_{b} K_{\beta}]$$

Thus $l_A \leq_{\alpha e} A$ via

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : \exists \beta < \alpha [K_{\delta} = \{\beta\} \land \forall x \in K_{\gamma}. K_{x} <_{b} K_{\beta}] \} \in \Sigma_{1}(L_{\alpha}).$$

By symmetry $r_A \leq_{\alpha e} A$. Hence $l_A \oplus r_A \leq_{\alpha e} A$.

Let \widehat{A} denote A or \overline{A} . Then $K_{\gamma} \subseteq \widehat{A} \iff$

 $\exists \beta_L, \beta_R < \alpha [\forall x \in K_{\gamma} \forall y \le x [y \in K_{\beta_L} \iff y \in K_{\beta_R}] \land K_{\gamma} \subseteq \widehat{K_{\beta_L}} \land \beta_L \in l_A \land \beta_R \in r_A]$ for any $\gamma < \alpha$ using the quasiregularity of A and proposition 4.1.10ii. Hence define

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : \exists \beta_L, \beta_R < \alpha \big[\forall x \in K_\gamma \forall y \le x [y \in K_{\beta_L} \iff y \in K_{\beta_R}] \land K_\gamma \subseteq \widehat{K_{\beta_L}} \land K_\delta = \{ \beta_L \} \oplus \{ \beta_R \} \big] \}.$$

Note that $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and so $\widehat{A} \leq_{\alpha e} l_A \oplus r_A$ via W. Hence $A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} l_A \oplus r_A$.

Therefore $A \oplus \overline{A} \equiv_{\alpha e} l_A \oplus r_A = l_A \oplus \overline{l_A} = r_A \oplus \overline{r_A}$ and so $A \equiv_{\alpha} l_A \equiv_{\alpha} r_A$ as required.

4.1.4 Semicomputable set existence

Lemma 4.1.13. ¹ If $A_0 \cap A_1 = \emptyset$ and $\forall i \in \{0, 1\}$. $A_i \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A_0 \sqcup A_1)$, then $A_0 \sqcup A_1 \equiv_\alpha A_0 \oplus A_1$.

Proof. We have $A_0 \sqcup A_1 \leq_{\alpha} A_0 \oplus A_1$ trivially. Let $i \in \{0, 1\}$. For $A_0 \oplus A_1 \leq_{\alpha} A_0 \sqcup A_1$: $x \in A_i$ recognizable by $A_i \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, A_0 \sqcup A_1)$. Also $x \notin A_i$ is recognizable since $x \notin A_i \iff x \in A_{1-i} \lor x \notin A_0 \sqcup A_1$ by disjointness and both $x \in A_{1-i}, x \notin A_0 \sqcup A_1$ are recognizable from $A_0 \sqcup A_1$. Hence $A_0 \sqcup A_1 \equiv_{\alpha} A_0 \oplus A_1$.

The lemma implies that if A_0 , A_1 are disjoint α -incomparable α -computably enumerable sets, then $A_0 \sqcup A_1 \equiv_{\alpha} A_0 \oplus A_1^2$.

Lemma 4.1.14.³

 $B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land B >_\alpha 0 \implies \exists A [A \text{ regular } \land A \equiv_\alpha B \land l_A \notin \Pi_1(L_\alpha) \land l_A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)].$

¹From lemma 6 in [22] on p66.

²Proposition 3.3 in [29].

³Adapted from Lemma 5.5 in [10] for $\alpha = \omega$

Proof. By theorem 3.8.4 every $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ set is α -equivalent to some regular set, so WLOG assume that B is regular. By Shore's Splitting Theorem 3.8.5, $\exists C_0, D_0 \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)[B = C_0 \sqcup D_0 \land C_0|_\alpha D_0]$ where $C_0|_\alpha D_0$ means that C_0 and D_0 are incomparable wrt α -reducibility. Using theorem 3.8.4 again, let C, D be α -c.e. regular sets s.t. $C \equiv_\alpha C_0$ and $D \equiv_\alpha D_0$. Define $A := C \oplus \overline{D}$.

Note $A = C \oplus \overline{D} \equiv_{\alpha} C_0 \oplus \overline{D_0}$. Hence $A \equiv_{\alpha} B$ by lemma 4.1.13 as required. As D is regular, so \overline{D} is regular. As C and \overline{D} are regular, so $A = C \oplus \overline{D}$ is regular as required.

Next we prove $l_A \notin \Pi_1(L_\alpha) \wedge l_A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. For suppose to the contrary that $\neg (l_A \notin \Pi_1(L_\alpha) \wedge l_A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha))$. Then $l_A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \vee l_A \in \Pi_1(L_\alpha)$.

• Case $l_A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$: Note that $\overline{D} \leq_{\alpha e} C \oplus \overline{C}$ via $W \coloneqq \{\langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : \beta = \min\{\epsilon < \alpha : K_\gamma \cap \epsilon = K_\gamma\} \land \exists \zeta \in l_A \forall x < \beta[$ $(2x \in K_\delta \iff 2x + 1 \notin K_\delta \iff 2x \in K_\zeta) \land$ $(x \in K_\gamma \implies 2x + 1 \in K_\zeta) \land$ $(2x + 1 \notin K_\zeta \implies x \in D)]\}.$

The set W is α -c.e. since l_A and D are α -c.e. The condition $2x \in K_{\delta} \iff 2x + 1 \notin K_{\delta}$ ensures that K_{δ} contains the initial segment $C \cap \beta$ of C. The conditions $2x \in K_{\delta} \iff 2x \in K_{\zeta}$ and $2x + 1 \notin K_{\zeta} \implies x \in D$ ensure that K_{ζ} contains the initial segment $(C \cap \beta) \oplus (\overline{D} \cap \beta)$ of $C \oplus \overline{D}$. Finally, the condition $x \in K_{\gamma} \implies 2x + 1 \in K_{\zeta}$ verifies that K_{γ} is a subset of \overline{D} , or more precisely a subset of its initial segment $\overline{D} \cap \beta$.

As D is α -c.e., so this gives us $D \leq_{\alpha} C$ which is a contradiction to the case $l_A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$.

Case l_A ∈ Π₁(L_α): Note that r_A = l_A ∈ Σ₁(L_α). Hence similarly C ≤_α D using the fact that r_A and C are both α-c.e. by applying a symmetric argument to the one above. This is a contradiction to the case l_A ∈ Π₁(L_α).

So by the two cases

$$l_A \notin \Pi_1(L_\alpha) \wedge l_A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha).$$

Therefore given $B >_{\alpha} 0$, there is a regular set A s.t.

$$A \equiv_{\alpha} B \land l_A \notin \Pi_1(L_{\alpha}) \land l_A \notin \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$$

as required.

Theorem 4.1.15. Let $B \subseteq \alpha$ be quasiregular and $B >_{\alpha} 0$. Then there exists an α -semicomputable set A s.t.

$$A \equiv_{\alpha} B \land A \notin \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}) \land A \notin \Pi_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

Proof. If $\deg_{\alpha}(B)$ is α -c.e. degree, then WLOG let $B \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$. Then by lemma 4.1.14 there is C s.t. C is quasiregular and

$$B \equiv_{\alpha} C \wedge L_C \notin \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}) \wedge L_C \notin \Pi_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

By proposition 4.1.12 and quasiregularity of C we have that $C \equiv_{\alpha} L_C$ and so $B \equiv_{\alpha} L_C$. Hence $A := L_C$ is the required α -semicomputable set by proposition 4.1.11.

Otherwise $\deg_{\alpha}(B)$ is not an α -c.e. degree and so

 $\forall C \in \deg_{\alpha}(B)[C \notin \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}) \land C \notin \Pi_1(L_{\alpha})].$

Note that $A := l_B \equiv_{\alpha} B$ by the quasiregularity of B and by proposition 4.1.12 and so $A \notin \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}) \land A \notin \Pi_1(L_{\alpha})$. Finally, A is α -semicomputable by proposition 4.1.11 as required.

4.2 Kalimullin pair

We define an α -Kalimullin pair and establish some basic properties about it.

Definition 4.2.1. (Kalimullin pair⁴)

Sets $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ are an α -U-Kalimullin pair denoted by $\mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$ iff

 $\exists W \leq_{\alpha e} U[A \times B \subseteq W \land \overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W}].$

If clear, we omit the prefix α and say U-Kalimullin pair (or just U- \mathcal{K} -pair) and denote it by $\mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$. Similarly, if $U \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, then we say that A, B are a Kalimullin pair (or just \mathcal{K} -pair) and denote it as $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$.

The set W is called a witness to the U-Kalimullin pair.

Proposition 4.2.2. ⁵ If $A \leq_{\alpha e} U$, then $\forall B \subseteq \alpha.K_U(A, B)$.

Proof. Take the witness $W \coloneqq A \times \alpha$.

Proposition 4.2.3. If A is α -semicomputable, then $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$.

Proof. Define the witness $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ to the Kalimullin pair $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$ to be

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle x, y \rangle \in \alpha : s_A(x, y) = x \}$$

where s_A is an α -computable selector function for an α -semicomputable set A.

Definition 4.2.4. $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ are a *trivial* Kalimullin pair iff $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ and $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \lor B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. If A, B are a not a trivial Kalimullin pair, they form a *nontrivial* Kalimullin pair, denoted by $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$.

⁴Adapted from [25] Definition 2.1.

⁵Proposition 2.2 in [25] for $\alpha = \omega$.

Definition 4.2.5. (Maximal Kalimullin pair)

A Kalimullin pair $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ is maximal denoted by $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A, B)$ iff

 $\forall C, D[A \leq_{\alpha e} C \land B \leq_{\alpha e} D \land \mathcal{K}(C, D) \implies A \equiv_{\alpha e} C \land B \equiv_{\alpha e} D].$

Remark 4.2.6. Note that in the definition of a maximal Kalimullin pair we use α -enumeration reducibility instead of a weak α -enumeration reducibility since we want that a maximal Kalimullin pair is definable (given that a Kalimullin pair is definable) in the structure $\langle D_{\alpha e}, \leq \rangle$ where \leq is induced by $\leq_{\alpha e}$.

Proposition 4.2.7. ⁶ Assume

$$A, B \subseteq \alpha \land A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land \mathcal{K}(A, B)$$

where the witness of $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ is W. Then

- i) $A = \{a < \alpha : \exists b [b \notin B \land (a, b) \in W]\},\$
- ii) $B = \{ b < \alpha : \exists a [a \notin A \land (a, b) \in W] \}.$
- *Proof.* i) Assume $A, B \subseteq \alpha, A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha), B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$. Define $A_2 := \{a : \exists b[b \notin B \land (a, b) \in W]\}$. We prove $A = A_2$ which implies part i.
 - We prove that $A \subseteq A_2$. Let $a \in A$. We prove that $a \in A_2$. For suppose not, then $a \notin A_2$ and so $\forall b [\neg (b \notin B \land (a, b) \in W)]$. This implies $\forall b [b \in B \lor (a, b) \notin W]$. Hence $\forall b [(a, b) \in W \implies b \in B]$. As $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$, so $A \times B \subseteq W$ where W is the witness of the Kalimullin pair. Note that $B = \{b : \exists a \in \alpha.(a, b) \in W\}$ and so $B \leq_{\alpha e} W$. As $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $B \leq_{\alpha e} W$, so $B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. But at the beginning we assumed that $B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. This is a contradiction. Hence $a \in A_2$ as needed and so $A \subseteq A_2$.
 - We prove that A₂ ⊆ A. Assume a ∈ A₂. So there is some b ∉ B s.t. (a, b) ∈ W. We prove that a ∈ A. For suppose not, then a ∉ A and so b ∉ B ∧ a ∉ A. As K(A, B), so A × B ⊆ W. Hence (a, b) ∈ W. As both (a, b) ∈ W and (a, b) ∈ W, this is a contradiction. Hence a ∈ A as needed as so A₂ ⊆ A.

As both $A \subseteq A_2$ and $A_2 \subseteq A$, so $A = A_2$ and part i is true.

ii) The proof of part ii is symmetric.

Corollary 4.2.8. Assume

$$A, B \subseteq \alpha \land A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land \mathcal{K}(A, B).$$

Then

⁶From [25] and proposition 1.8 in [2].

- i) $A \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{B}$ and $B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{A}$,
- ii) $A \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{B}$ if B is megaregular, $B \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{A}$ if A is megaregular.

Proof. Follows from proposition 4.2.7.

Lemma 4.2.9. (Kalimullin pair distributivity)

Suppose that $\bigwedge_{i \in 2} A_i \neq \emptyset$. Then

$$\bigwedge_{i\in 2} \mathcal{K}(A_i, B) \iff \mathcal{K}(\bigoplus_{i\in 2} A_i, B) \iff \mathcal{K}(\prod_{i\in 2} A_i, B)$$

Proof. Suppose $\bigwedge_{i \in 2} \mathcal{K}(A_i, B)$. For any $i \in 2$ let $A_i \times B \subseteq U_i \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $\overline{A_i} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{U_i}$. Define the sets V, W, U_i^* as follows:

$$V := \{ (2a + i, b) : (a, b) \in U_i, i \in 2 \},$$
$$W := \{ ((a_0, a_1), b) : \forall i \in 2. (2a_i + i, b) \in V \},$$
$$U_i^* := \{ (a_i, b) : \exists (a_0, a_1). ((a_0, a_1), b) \in W \}.$$

The equivalences of lemma 4.2.9 follow from the following implications:

$$\begin{split} & \bigwedge_{i\in 2} A_i \times B \subseteq U_i \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land \overline{A}_i \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{U}_i \implies \\ & \left(\bigoplus_{i\in 2} A_i\right) \times B \subseteq V \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land \overline{\bigoplus_{i\in 2} A_i} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{V} \implies \\ & \left(\prod_{i\in 2} A_i\right) \times B \subseteq W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land \overline{\prod_{i\in 2} A_i} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W} \implies (\text{by } \bigwedge_{i\in 2} A_i \neq \emptyset) \\ & \bigwedge_{i\in 2} A_i \times B \subseteq U_i^* \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \land \overline{A}_i \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{U}_i^*. \end{split}$$

4.3 Definability of an α **-Kalimullin pair**

We prove that the set of the Kalimullin pairs is definable in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ if $\alpha^* = \alpha$ or if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal. For any $U \subseteq \alpha$ we prove that the set of the U-Kalimullin pairs is definable in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal. The main part of the proof is the construction in section 4.3.1.

For this section let D_x , E_x be a pair of α -finite sets indexed by $x < \alpha$ according to lemma 3.5.3. For any $x < \alpha$ define

$$V_x \coloneqq \{ y < \alpha : D_x \subseteq D_y \land E_x \subseteq E_y \}$$

4.3.1 Key theorem and construction

Theorem 4.3.1. ⁷ Let $A, B, U \subseteq \alpha$. Let one of the conditions hold:

⁷Theorem 2.5 in [25] for $\alpha = \omega$.

- i) the projectum of α is $\alpha^* = \omega$ and U is megaregular.
- ii) $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$ is megaregular.

Suppose $\neg \mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$. Then

 $\exists X, Y \subseteq \alpha [Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A \land Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus B \land Y \not\leq_{w \alpha e} X \oplus U].$

The following proof is a generalization of the proof for the case when $\alpha = \omega$ in [25].

Proof. This proof depends on lemmas 4.3.2 to 4.3.5 which are proved in section 4.3.2.

We perform a construction in α^* stages and define sets X, Y s.t. $\forall x < \alpha$:

$$x \in Y \iff x \in X \land D_x \subseteq A \iff x \in X \land E_x \subseteq B$$
(4.1)

which guarantees $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A$ and $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus B$ by lemma 4.3.2 underneath.

Lemma 4.3.2. Let X, Y, A be any subsets of α . Assume that for any $x < \alpha$ we have

$$x \in Y \iff x \in X \land D_x \subseteq A$$

where D_x is an α -finite set with a uniformly α -computable index x. Then $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A$.

Index the requirements and α -enumeration operators by indices in α^* using proposition 3.6.8. Aim to meet for all $e < \alpha^*$ the requirements

$$R_e: Y \neq \Phi_e(X \oplus U)$$

Let $s < \alpha^*$ be a stage during the construction. We use the following sets to help to ensure the conditions stated just after them:

- X_s which is used to define the desired set X in the end as $X := \bigcup_{s < \alpha^*} X_s$.
- M_s which is used to put an extra condition (4.4) on X_s to ensure $Y \not\leq_{w\alpha e} X \oplus U$ (see Final verification).
- N_s := {e < α : 2e < s} which just stores the indices e of the enumeration operators used at the stage 2e + 2 and together with I_s it is used to define M_{s+1}.
- I_s which is used to define M_{s+1} together with N_s and stores the indices x ∈ M_s s.t. D_x ⊆ A ∧ E_x ⊆ B ∧ x ∉ Φ_e((X_s ∪ (M_s ∩ V_x)) ⊕ U). This is used to ensure the condition 4.5 which is an essential property of the set M_s.
- V_x := {y < α : D_x ⊆ D_y ∧ E_x ⊆ E_y} which is also used in the definition of M_s, see 4.9.

At each stage $s < \alpha^*$ of the construction aim to define an α -finite set X_s and an α -computable set M_s so that for all $s < \alpha^*$ they satisfy:

$$X_s \subseteq X_{s+1} \tag{4.2}$$

$$M_{s+1} \subseteq M_s \tag{4.3}$$

$$X_{s+1} - X_s \subseteq M_{s+1} \tag{4.4}$$

 $\forall D, E \in L_{\alpha}[D \subseteq A \land E \subseteq B \implies \exists x \in M_s[D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B]]$ (4.5)

$$X_s \in L_\alpha \tag{4.6}$$

$$N_s \in L_\alpha \tag{4.7}$$

$$I_s \in L_\alpha \tag{4.8}$$

$$M_s \coloneqq \left(\bigcap_{x \in I_s} V_x\right) - N_s = V_z - N_s \tag{4.9}$$

$$M_s \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha) \tag{4.10}$$

Pre-construction

Note that $N_s := \{e < \alpha : 2e < s\}$ and so it is α -finite as it is α -computable and bounded. Thus statement (4.7) is true.

Next we will use lemma 4.3.4 underneath.

Lemma 4.3.4. Let $I \in L_{\alpha}$. Then exists an index $z < \alpha$ which is uniformly α -computable from I s.t.

$$V_z = \bigcap_{x \in I} V_x.$$

By statement (4.9), the set M_s is defined at every stage $s < \alpha^*$ by the sets N_s and I_s . Since the set I_s is α -finite at the stage s by statement (4.8), so by lemma 4.3.4 there is an index z which is uniformly α -computable from I_s and $V_z = \bigcap_{x \in I_s} V_x$. Hence the equality

$$\left(\bigcap_{x\in I_s} V_x\right) - N_s = V_z - N_s$$

holds at every stage s where $I_s \in L_{\alpha}$. Consequently also the set V_z is α -computable at such stage s.

Since the set N_s is α -finite by statement (4.7) and V_z is α -computable at the stage s, so the set M_s has to be α -computable at the stage s, hence statement (4.10) holds.

When proving at the stage $s < \alpha^*$ that statement (4.5) holds, we use the fact that A and B are not α -finite by proposition 4.2.2 since $\neg \mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$. This given

 α -finite sets D, E, enables us to find arbitrarily large α -finite supersets of D, E contained in A and B respectively.

Constructing *X*

The set X will be constructed in α^* -many stages.

- Stage s = 0. Set X₀ ≔ Ø, I₀ ≔ Ø. Observe statement (4.5) is true for M₀ = α. Clearly, statements (4.6) to (4.8) are satisfied.
- Stage s + 1 = 2e + 1. By induction hypothesis let X_s, I_s be given and α-finite by statements (4.6) to (4.8). Define X_{s+1} := X_s, I_{s+1} := I_s. Trivially, statements (4.6) to (4.8) hold at the stage s + 1 by IH at the stage s.

Note $M_{s+1} = M_s - \{e\}$ by statement (4.9). We claim that the set M_{s+1} satisfies statement (4.5). Let $D, E \in L_{\alpha} \land D \subseteq A \land E \subseteq B$. By IH on M_s there is $x \in M_s$ s.t.

$$D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B.$$

Note $D_x \in L_{\alpha}$, but by proposition 4.2.2 $A \notin L_{\alpha}$, hence $D_x \subset A$. Let $z \in A - D_x$. Then $\hat{D} \coloneqq D_x \cup \{z\} \in L_{\alpha}$. By IH on M_s there is $y \in M_s$ s.t.

$$D \subseteq D_y \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_y \subseteq B.$$

If $x \neq e$, then $x \in M_{s+1} \coloneqq M_s - \{e\}$. Otherwise $x = e \neq y$ and

$$y \in M_{s+1} \land D \subseteq D_x \subset \hat{D} \subseteq D_y \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_y \subseteq B.$$

Therefore in any case the set M_{s+1} satisfies statement (4.5).

- Stage s + 1 = 2e + 2. Aim to find $x \in M_s$ s.t. one of the two following statements is true:
 - 1: $D_x \not\subseteq A \land E_x \not\subseteq B \land x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U)),$
 - 2: $D_x \subseteq A \land E_x \subseteq B \land x \notin \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U).$

First we prove the existence of such $x \in M_s$. Assume that $\forall x \in M_s$ the statement 2 is false. Define

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle a, b \rangle : \exists x \in M_s [a \in D_x \land b \in E_x \land x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U)] \}$$

Then $W \leq_{\alpha e} U$ by the megaregularity of U, lemma 4.3.3, statement (4.10) and statement (4.6) where lemma 4.3.3 is given below.

Lemma 4.3.3. Assume $M_s \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $X_s \in L_\alpha$. Let $W := \{ \langle a, b \rangle : \exists x \in M_s [a \in D_x \land b \in E_x \land x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U)] \}.$ Assume U is megaregular. Then $W \leq_{\alpha e} U.$ We prove $A \times B \subseteq W$. Let $(a, b) \in A \times B$. By statement (4.5) for M_s it follows

$$\exists x \in M_s [a \in D_x \subseteq A \land b \in E_x \subseteq B].$$

Since statement 2 is false, we have

$$x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U).$$

Thus $(a,b) \in W$. Since $\neg \mathcal{K}_U(A,B)$, there is a pair $(a,b) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$ s.t. $(a,b) \in W$. Thus there is $x \in M_s$ s.t. $a \in D_x, b \in E_x$ and

$$x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cap (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U).$$

Hence $D_x \not\subseteq A$, $E_x \not\subseteq B$ and statement 1 is true for $x \in M_s$. Therefore there is $x \in M_s$ s.t. statement 1 or statement 2 is true. Choose such an element $x \in M_s$ using the oracle $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$.

Case 1: If statement 1 is true for x, then

$$x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x) \oplus U))$$

By fact 3.7.11ii and fact 3.7.11iii there is $F \subseteq X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)$ s.t.

$$F \in L_{\alpha} \land x \in \Phi_e(F \oplus U).$$

Thus define $X_{s+1} \coloneqq X_s \cup F$, $I_{s+1} \coloneqq I_s$. Note that $M_{s+1} \coloneqq M_s$. The set F is α -finite, by IH X_s is α -finite and so the union $X_{s+1} = X_s \cup F$ is α -finite satisfying statement (4.6). Statement (4.8) is true by IH.

Case 2: Otherwise if statement 2 is true for x, then define $X_{s+1} := X_s \cup \{x\}$, $I_{s+1} := I_s \cup \{x\}$. Trivially, the sets X_{s+1}, I_{s+1} are α -finite using IH, hence satisfying statements (4.6) to (4.8). Note $M_{s+1} = M_s \cap V_x$ by statement (4.9). M_{s+1} satisfies statement (4.5): if $D \subseteq A, E \subseteq B, D \in L_{\alpha}, E \in L_{\alpha}$, then by the hypothesis on M_s , there is $y \in M_s$ s.t.:

$$D \cup D_x \subseteq D_y \subseteq A,$$
$$E \cup E_x \subseteq E_y \subseteq B.$$

Therefore

$$y \in M_s \cap V_x = M_{s+1}.$$

Note in both cases $X_{s+1} - X_s \subseteq M_{s+1}$, statement (4.4) being satisfied.

Stage s = 2e > 0, 2e is a limit ordinal. If α^{*} = ω, then this stage does not arise. Hence assume that A ⊕ B ⊕ K(U) is megaregular.

Define $X_s := \bigcup_{r \le s} X_r, I_s := \bigcup_{r \le s} I_r$. We claim that these sets are α -finite.

Define a partial function $f: \alpha \rightharpoonup \alpha$ on the ordinals smaller than s by

$$f(r) \coloneqq \{\gamma < \alpha : K_{\gamma} = X_r\}.$$

Note that by IH for all r < s, the set X_r is α -finite using statement (4.6). Also during the construction we only use the oracle $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$. Thus the index f(r) of an α -finite set X_r is also $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$ -computable. Consequently, the function f is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus B \oplus K(U))$ definable. As $s < \alpha^*$, so s as a limit ordinal is an α -finite set. Therefore by the megaregularity of $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$, the set f[s] is also α -finite. But then $X_s = \bigcup_{\gamma \in f[s]} K_{\gamma}$ is α -finite by proposition 3.2.10. So statement (4.6) holds at the stage s as required. Applying similar reasoning, using the veracity of statement (4.8) for all r < s by IH, we conclude that statement (4.8) holds at the stage s too.

Note $M_s := \bigcap_{r < s} M_r$ by statement (4.9). We prove that statement (4.5) holds at the stage s. Note that $M_s = V_z - N_s$ by statement (4.9) for some $z < \alpha$ satisfying both $D_z \subseteq A$ and $E_z \subseteq B$. Fix α -finite sets D and E s.t. $D \subseteq A$ and $E \subseteq B$. WLOG let $D_z \subseteq D$ and $E_z \subseteq E$. Define

 $Z \coloneqq \{x < \alpha : D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B\}.$

As $\neg \mathcal{K}(A, B)$ by the assumption, so $A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ by proposition 4.2.2. Note that $A \oplus B$ is megaregular. Hence Z is unbounded by lemma 4.3.5 below.

Lemma 4.3.5. Let $D \subseteq A \subseteq \alpha$ and $E \subseteq B \subseteq \alpha$ satisfying $A, B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $D, E \in L_\alpha$. Define

$$Z \coloneqq Z_{D,E} \coloneqq \{ x < \alpha : D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B \}.$$

Then:

- i) $Z \equiv_{\alpha e} A \oplus B$,
- ii) $\overline{Z} \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{B}$,
- iii) $Z \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$,
- iv) Z is unbounded if $A \oplus B$ is megaregular.

On the other hand $N_s \subseteq s$. Thus $Z - N_s \neq \emptyset$. Note

$$\{x \in M_s : D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B\} =$$
$$\{x \in V_z - N_s : D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B\} =$$
$$Z - N_s \neq \emptyset$$

Therefore

 $\forall D, E \in L_{\alpha} [D \subseteq A \land E \subseteq B \implies \exists x \in M_s [D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B]]$ and so the statement statement (4.5) is satisfied at the limit stage *s*.

Finally, define $X \coloneqq \bigcup_{s < \alpha^*} X_s$.

Defining Y

To define Y, first prove

$$\forall z \in X [D_z \subseteq A \iff E_z \subseteq B] :$$

Let $z \in X$. Then there is a stage s + 1 = 2e + 2 s.t. $z \in X_{s+1} - X_s$. In case 2 we have $D_z \subseteq A$ and $E_z \subseteq B$. In case 1 there is x s.t. $X_{s+1} - X_s \subseteq V_x$, $D_x \not\subseteq A$ and $E_x \not\subseteq B$. As $z \in X_{s+1} - X_s \subseteq V_x$, so $D_x \subseteq D_z$ and $E_x \subseteq E_z$. Thus $D_z \not\subseteq A$ and $E_z \not\subseteq B$. Define the set

$$Y \coloneqq \{z \in X : D_z \subseteq A\} = \{z \in X : E_z \subseteq B\}.$$

Final verification

Note $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A$ and $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus B$ as proved under statement (4.1).

We prove $Y \not\leq_{w\alpha e} X \oplus U$ by showing $Y \neq \Phi_e(X \oplus U)$ for an arbitrary $e < \alpha^*$. Consider a stage s + 1 = 2e + 2. In case 1 we have $X_{s+1} = X_s \cup F$ and there is x s.t. $x \in \Phi_e(F \oplus U), D_x \not\subseteq A$ and $E_x \not\subseteq B$. Hence

$$x \in \Phi_e(X \oplus U) - Y.$$

In case 2 there is x s.t. $X_{s+1} = X_s \cup \{x\}, M_{s+1} = M_s \cap V_x, D_x \subseteq A, E_x \subseteq B$ and

$$x \notin \Phi_e((X_s \cup M_{s+1}) \oplus U).$$

Let $z \in X$. Then $\exists t.z \in X_{t+1} - X_t \subseteq M_{t+1}$ by statement (4.4). If $t \ge s$, then $z \in M_{s+1}$ by statement (4.3). If t < s, then $z \in X_s$ by statement (4.2). Hence $z \in X_s \cup M_{s+1}$ and thus $X \subseteq X_s \cup M_{s+1}$.

Hence $x \in Y - \Phi_e(X \oplus U)$ by fact 3.7.11ii. Therefore in both cases $Y \neq \Phi_e(X \oplus U)$ and so $Y \not\leq_{w\alpha e} X \oplus U$.

4.3.2 Construction lemmas proved

We prove some lemmas used in the construction in section 4.3.1.

Lemma 4.3.2. Let X, Y, A be any subsets of α . Assume that for any $x < \alpha$ we have

$$x \in Y \iff x \in X \land D_x \subseteq A$$

where D_x is an α -finite set with a uniformly α -computable index x. Then $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A$.

Proof. Recall $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A \iff$ $\exists W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \forall \gamma < \alpha [K_\gamma \subseteq Y \iff \exists \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W.K_\delta \subseteq X \oplus A].$ Note $K_\gamma \subseteq Y \iff \forall x \in K_\gamma.x \in Y \iff \forall x \in K_\gamma [x \in X \land D_x \subseteq A] \iff$ $K_\gamma \subseteq X \land \bigcup_{x \in K_\gamma} D_x \subseteq A \iff \text{(By lemma 3.5.4i)}$ $K_\gamma \subseteq X \land K_{u(\gamma)} \subseteq A \iff \text{(By lemma 3.5.4ii)}$ $K_{v(\gamma,u(\gamma))} \subseteq X \oplus A.$

Hence define

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle < \alpha : \delta = v(\gamma, u(\gamma)) \}.$$

As $u, v \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, so $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Moreover,

$$K_{\gamma} \subseteq Y \iff \exists \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in W.K_{\delta} \subseteq X \oplus A.$$

Therefore $Y \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus A$.

Lemma 4.3.3. Assume $M_s \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $X_s \in L_\alpha$. Let $W \coloneqq \{ \langle a, b \rangle : \exists x \in M_s [a \in D_x \land b \in E_x \land x \in \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U)] \}.$ Assume U is megaregular. Then $W \leq_{\alpha e} U.$

Proof. Let

$$S_e \coloneqq \Phi_e((X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U).$$

We first prove $W \leq_{\alpha e} S_e$. Note $K_{\gamma} \subseteq W \iff \forall \langle a, b \rangle \in K_{\gamma} \cdot \langle a, b \rangle \in W \iff$

$$\forall \langle a, b \rangle \in K_{\gamma} . \exists x \in M_s [a \in D_x \land b \in E_x \land x \in S_e] \iff$$
$$\forall \langle a, b \rangle \in K_{\gamma} . \exists x \in M_s [\langle a, b \rangle \in P_x \land x \in S_e]$$

where $i_P : \alpha \to \alpha \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ is a function of lemma 3.5.4iv and $P_x := K_{i_P(x)}$. Define ϕ and V:

$$\phi(\gamma, \delta) \iff \forall y \in K_{\gamma} \exists x \in K_{\delta}. y \in P_x.$$
$$V \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : K_{\delta} \subseteq M_s \land \phi(\gamma, \delta) \}.$$

Then continuing we have $K_{\gamma} \subseteq W \iff \forall y \in K_{\gamma} \exists x \in M_s [y \in P_x \land x \in S_e] \iff$

$$\exists \delta [K_{\delta} \subseteq M_s \land K_{\delta} \subseteq S_e \land \phi(\gamma, \delta)] \iff \exists \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle \in V.K_{\delta} \subseteq S_e$$

where $K_{\delta} \in L_{\alpha}$ has to exist as an image of an α -computable function restricted to an $K_{\gamma} \in L_{\alpha}$ by the admissibility of α . Note

$$\phi(\gamma, \delta) \iff \exists H[H = w(\gamma, \delta) \land \forall y \in K_{\gamma} \exists x \in K_{\delta}. \langle x, y \rangle \in H]$$

where $w : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ with

$$K_{w(\gamma,\delta)} \coloneqq \{ \langle x, y \rangle : x \in K_{\delta} \land y \in K_{\gamma} \land y \in P_x \}$$

is a function of lemma 3.5.4v. Hence $\phi(\gamma, \delta) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. As $M_s \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$ by $M_s \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha)$, so $V \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Therefore $W \leq_{w\alpha e} S_e$.

Note $V_x \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. By the assumptions $M_s \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $X_s \in L_s$ it is true that $M_s \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $X_s \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Thus

$$(X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha).$$

Hence

$$S_e \leq_{w\alpha e} (X_s \cup (M_s \cap V_x)) \oplus U \leq_{\alpha e} U$$

by fact 3.7.11i and lemma 3.7.8 respectively. Hence $S_e \leq_{w\alpha e} U$ by proposition 3.7.12.

As U is megaregular, so $S_e \leq_{\alpha e} U$ by proposition 3.9.2. Hence $W \leq_{w \alpha e} U$ by proposition 3.7.12. Finally, $W \leq_{\alpha e} U$ by the megaregularity of U again. \Box

Lemma 4.3.4. Let $I \in L_{\alpha}$. Then exists an index $z < \alpha$ which is uniformly α -computable from I s.t.

$$V_z = \bigcap_{x \in I} V_x.$$

Proof. Define f as follows

$$f(I) = z \iff D_z = \bigcup_{x \in I} D_x \wedge E_z = \bigcup_{x \in I} E_x.$$

By lemma 3.5.4i the function f is total and α -computable. Also

$$\bigcap_{x \in I} V_x = \{ y < \alpha : \bigcup_{x \in I} D_x \subseteq D_y \land \bigcup_{x \in I} E_x \subseteq E_y \} = V_{f(I)} = V_z$$

as required.

Lemma 4.3.5. Let $D \subseteq A \subseteq \alpha$ and $E \subseteq B \subseteq \alpha$ satisfying $A, B \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $D, E \in L_\alpha$. Define

$$Z \coloneqq Z_{D,E} \coloneqq \{ x < \alpha : D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A \land E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B \}.$$

Then:

- i) $Z \equiv_{\alpha e} A \oplus B$,
- ii) $\overline{Z} \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{B}$,
- iii) $Z \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$,
- iv) Z is unbounded if $A \oplus B$ is megaregular.
- *Proof.* i) First note that for all α -finite sets K_{γ}, K_{δ} there is some $x < \alpha$ s.t. $D_x = K_{\gamma}, E_x = K_{\delta}$. Hence if we require that D_x (or E_x) is fixed to some α -finite set $K \in L_{\alpha}$, still the remaining sets E_x (or D_x) include all α -finite sets. Note $A \leq_{\alpha e} Z$ via

$$W \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : \exists x < \alpha [D \cup K_{\gamma} \subseteq D_x \land K_{\delta} = \{x\}] \} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

Similarly, $B \leq_{\alpha e} Z$. Consequently, $A \oplus B \leq_{\alpha e} Z$. Define $I_{D,A}$ and $I_{E,B}$: $I_{D,A} \coloneqq \{x < \alpha : D \subseteq D_x \subseteq A\},\$

$$I_{E,B} \coloneqq \{ x < \alpha : E \subseteq E_x \subseteq B \}.$$

Note $I_{D,A} \leq_{\alpha e} A$ via

$$W_A \coloneqq \{ \langle \gamma, \delta \rangle : \forall x \in K_{\gamma}. D \subseteq D_x \land \bigcup_{x \in K_{\gamma}} D_x = K_{\delta} \} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

Similarly $I_{E,B} \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Note that $Z = I_{D,A} \cap I_{E,B}$. Thus

$$Z \leq_{\alpha e} I_{D,A} \oplus I_{E,B} \leq_{\alpha e} A \oplus B.$$

Therefore $A \oplus B \equiv_{\alpha e} Z$.

ii) Note that $\overline{I_{D,A}} \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{A}$ via $\Phi^{vw} \coloneqq \{\langle x, \delta \rangle : \exists y < \alpha [y \notin D_x \land y \in D \land K_\delta = \emptyset \lor y \in D_x \land K_\delta = \{y\}\}.$ Similarly, $\overline{I_{E,B}} \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{B}$. Hence

$$\overline{Z} = \overline{I_{D,A}} \cup \overline{I_{E,B}} \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{B}$$

as required.

- iii) If $Z \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, then $Z \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $A \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, $B \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ which contradicts the assumption. Hence $Z \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$.
- iv) From ii) and megaregularity of $A \oplus B$, we have $\overline{Z} \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{A} \oplus \overline{B}$. Note $\overline{A \oplus B} = \overline{A} \oplus \overline{B}$. Combining this with i) it yields $Z \leq_{\alpha} A \oplus B$. Hence $Z \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha}, A, B)$. If Z was bounded, then by lemma 3.4.13 using the megaregularity of $A \oplus B$, Z is α -finite. This contradicts iii). Hence Z has to be unbounded.

4.3.3 Conclusions and definability

Theorem 4.3.6. ⁸ Let A, B, U be arbitrary subsets of α . The statements i) - iv) are equivalent. Moreover if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal, then all the statements i) - v) are equivalent.

- i) $\mathcal{K}_U(A, B)$, i.e. $\exists W \leq_{\alpha e} U[(A \times B \subseteq W) \land (\overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W})]$,
- ii) $\exists f(x,y) \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha) . \forall X \subseteq \alpha \forall x, y \in \alpha$ $[\Phi_x(A \oplus X) \cap \Phi_y(B \oplus X) \subseteq \Phi_{f(x,y)}(X \oplus U) \subseteq \Phi_x(A \oplus X) \cup \Phi_y(B \oplus X)],$
- $\text{iii)} \ \exists f(x,y) \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha) \forall x, y < \alpha [\Phi_x(A) = \Phi_y(B) \implies \Phi_{f(x,y)}(U) = \Phi_x(A)],$

⁸From theorem 2.6 in [25] for \mathcal{D}_e . Thanks to Iskander Kalimullin for explaining the classical case $\alpha = \omega$, part ii) implies v).

- iv) $\forall V_1, V_2 \subseteq \alpha [V_1 \leq_{\alpha e} A \land V_2 \leq_{\alpha e} B \implies \exists W \leq_{\alpha e} U[V_1 \cap V_2 \subseteq W \subseteq V_1 \cup V_2]],$
- v) $\forall X \subseteq \alpha[\deg_{\alpha e}(X \oplus U) = \deg_{\alpha e}(A \oplus X \oplus U) \land \deg_{\alpha e}(B \oplus X \oplus U)].$
- Proof. First we prove that the statements i) to iv) are equivalent. The implications ii) ⇒ iii), ii) ⇒ iv), iv) ⇒ i) are trivial. It remains to prove the implications i) ⇒ ii) and iii) ⇒ i).
 - i) \implies ii):

Assume

$$\exists W \leq_{\alpha e} U.A \times B \subseteq W \land \overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W}$$

and let $W = \Phi(U)$ for some α -enumeration operator Φ .

Define f s.t. for any $X \subseteq \alpha, x, y \in \alpha$:

$$\Phi_{f(x,y)}(X \oplus V) \coloneqq \{ z \in \alpha : \exists D, E \in L_{\alpha} \\ [z \in \Phi_x(D \oplus X) \cap \Phi_y(E \oplus X) \land D \times E \subseteq \Phi(V)] \}.$$

Then f is α -computable and satisfies the condition ii).

iii) ⇒ i): Suppose that A and B satisfy the condition iii) with f being computable. Define a computable function g s.t. for every Y ⊆ α and y < α:

$$\Phi_{g(y)}(Y) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } y \in Y, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then A, B are a U-Kalimullin pair with a witness

$$W = \{(m, n) : \Phi_{f(g(m), g(n))}(U) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

- Hence we proved that the statements i) to iv) are equivalent. Next we prove that the statements i) to v) are equivalent under the following assumption. Assume that V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal. Hence every subset of α is megaregular. The statement v) ⇒ i) is the contrapositive of theorem 4.3.1 which follows from the assumption that both U and A ⊕ B ⊕ K(Ø) are megaregular. Now we prove that ii) ⇒ v).
- ii) \implies v): Given ii) we would like to show that

$$X \oplus U \equiv_{\alpha e} (A \oplus X \oplus U) \land (B \oplus X \oplus U).$$

where \wedge is the meet induced by $\leq_{\alpha e}$. Given some order relation \leq , recall the definition of its induced meet \wedge that $C = A \wedge B$ iff

$$(A \geq C) \land (B \geq C) \land \forall D[(A \geq D) \land (B \geq D) \implies C \geq D].$$

Trivially, $A \oplus X \oplus U \ge_{\alpha e} X \oplus U$ and $B \oplus X \oplus U \ge_{\alpha e} X \oplus U$. Let $D \subseteq \alpha$ be arbitrary and assume $A \oplus X \oplus U \ge_{\alpha e} D$ and $B \oplus X \oplus U \ge_{\alpha e}$ D. Thus $\exists x, y < \alpha$ s.t. $\Phi_x(A \oplus X \oplus U) = D = \Phi_y(B \oplus X \oplus U)$. Thus using ii), we have $D \subseteq \Phi_{f(x,y)}((X \oplus U) \oplus U) \subseteq D$ and so $D = \Phi_{f(x,y)}((X \oplus U) \oplus U)$ and $X \oplus U \ge_{w\alpha e} D$. As $X \oplus U$ is megaregular, so $X \oplus U \ge_{\alpha e} D$. Therefore $X \oplus U \equiv_{\alpha e} (A \oplus X \oplus U) \land (B \oplus X \oplus U)$ as required.

Hence i) ⇔ ii) ⇔ iii) ⇔ iv) ⇒ v) for any admissible α. Therefore i) ⇔ ii) ⇔ iii) ⇔ iv) ⇔ v) if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal.

The statement i) iff v) establishes the definability of a U-Kalimullin pair.

Proposition 4.3.7. ⁹ Let $B \subseteq \alpha$. The set of all A s.t. $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ is closed downwards under α -enumeration reducibility as well as closed under join.

Proof. Suppose $\mathcal{K}(A_0, B)$ and $A_1 \leq_{\alpha e} A_0$. Hence

 $\exists W_0 \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) . A_0 \times B \subseteq W_0 \wedge \overline{A}_0 \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W}_0.$

Let $V_1 \coloneqq A_1 \times \alpha$, $V_2 \coloneqq \alpha \times B$. As $A_1 \leq_{\alpha e} A_0$, so $V_1 \leq_{\alpha e} A_0 \wedge V_2 \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Hence by theorem 4.3.6 (i implies iv), $\exists W_1 \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $V_1 \cap V_2 \subseteq W_1 \subseteq V_1 \cup V_2$. Therefore $V_1 \cap V_2 = A_1 \times B \subseteq W_1$. Also

$$W_1 \subseteq V_1 \cup V_2 \iff \overline{V}_1 \cap \overline{V}_2 \subseteq \overline{W}_1$$

and so

$$\overline{V}_1 \cap \overline{V}_2 = (\overline{A}_1 \times \alpha) \cap (\alpha \times \overline{B}) = \overline{A}_1 \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W}_1.$$

Hence $\mathcal{K}(A_1, B)$.

Let $\mathcal{K}(A_0, B) \wedge \mathcal{K}(A_1, B)$. If $A_i = \emptyset$ for $i \in 2$ then $A_0 \oplus A_1 \equiv_{\alpha e} A_{1-i}$ and so $\mathcal{K}(A_0 \oplus A_1, B)$. Otherwise $\mathcal{K}(A_0 \oplus A_1, B)$ by lemma 4.2.9.

Corollary 4.3.8. (Definability of an U-Kalimullin Pair¹⁰)

Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then

$$\forall a, b, u \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[\mathcal{K}_u(a, b) \iff \forall x \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}. (a \lor x \lor u) \land (b \lor x \lor u) = x \lor u].$$

Proof. Note that since α is an infinite regular cardinal, so $A \oplus B \oplus K(U)$ is megaregular. Thus the statement above follows from $(i \iff v)$ in theorem 4.3.6 and from the \mathcal{K} -pair being a degree theoretic property by its invariance under the αe -reducibility by proposition 4.3.7.

⁹Proposition 1.7 in [2] for $\alpha = \omega$.

¹⁰The case for $\alpha = \omega$ proved in [25].

4.4 Maximal Kalimullin pair and total degrees

In this section we conclude that every nontrivial total degree is a join of a maximal Kalimullin-pair if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal (corollary 4.4.2).

Proposition 4.4.1. (Maximality of semicomputable megaregular \mathcal{K} -pairs)¹¹ Let $A \subseteq \alpha$ be megaregular. If $\mathcal{K}(A,\overline{A}) \wedge A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha) \wedge A \notin \Pi_1(L_\alpha)$, then $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A,\overline{A})$.

Proof. Suppose $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$ and $\mathcal{K}(C, D)$, $A \leq_{\alpha e} C, \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} D$. By proposition 4.3.7 $\mathcal{K}(A, D)$. By corollary 4.2.8 and the megaregularity of A we have $D \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{A}$. Similarly, $\mathcal{K}(C, \overline{A})$ and thus $C \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{\overline{A}} = A$ by corollary 4.2.8 and the megaregularity of A.

Corollary 4.4.2. Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then every nontrivial total degree is a join of a maximal \mathcal{K} -pair, i.e.

 $\forall a \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e} - \{0\} \exists b, c \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[(a = b \lor c) \land \mathcal{K}_{\max}(b, c)].$

Proof. Since α is an infinite regular cardinal, thus the set of the (maximal) Kalimullin pairs is definable by corollary 4.3.8.

Suppose $a \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e} - \{0\}$. Note that a is a megaregular degree (at least one or equivalently every set in a is megaregular). Then by theorem 4.1.15, there is $A \subseteq \alpha$ s.t. A is α -semicomputable, $A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$, $\overline{A} \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $A \oplus \overline{A} \in a$ by the totality of a. As A is α -semicomputable, so $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$ by proposition 4.2.3. $\mathcal{K}(A, \overline{A})$ is nontrivial since $A \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ and $\overline{A} \notin \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Thus by proposition 4.4.1 and the megaregularity of A we have $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A, \overline{A})$.

By inspecting whether a degree which is not quasiregular could be a join of a maximal Kalimullin pair, one may establish the following:

Proposition 4.4.3. If $\deg_{\alpha}(B)$ is not a quasiregular degree, then there is C s.t. $0 <_{\alpha} C <_{\alpha} B$ and $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(C, \overline{C})$.

Proof. Since $\deg_{\alpha}(B)$ is not a quasiregular degree, then D is not quasiregular for any $D \equiv_{\alpha} B$. So B is not quasiregular.

Let $\beta < \alpha$ be the least ordinal s.t. $B \cap \beta \notin L_{\alpha}$. Define $A \coloneqq B \cap \beta$. Then $A \subset B$ by B not being quasiregular. By the minimality of β , the set A is quasiregular. A is bounded, but not α -finite, hence A cannot be α -computable. Thus $A >_{\alpha} \emptyset$. By theorem 4.1.15 there is α -semicomputable set C s.t. $A \equiv_{\alpha} C$, $C \notin \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ and $C \notin \Pi_1(L_{\alpha})$. As C is α -semicomputable, so $\mathcal{K}(C, \overline{C})$. By proposition 4.4.1 we have that $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(C, \overline{C})$.

¹¹Generalized from Maximal \mathcal{K} -pairs in [2] for $\alpha = \omega$.

Chapter 5

α -rational numbers Q_{α}

In classical Computability Theory the definability of the total enumeration degrees was established by constructing a cut in the rational numbers \mathbb{Q} . We generalize this result in chapter 6, but for that we first need an analogue of rational numbers in α -Computability Theory.

Let α denote an admissible ordinal and let β denote a limit ordinal. A rational number can be represented by a bounded binary string. Thus the analogue, β -rational numbers Q_{β} , may be $\{\triangleleft, \triangleright\}^{<\beta}$, binary strings of order type less than β .

In this chapter we define β -rational numbers Q_{β} . We investigate Q_{β} briefly and Q_{α} with a little more detail covering the areas of representability, computability, dense total orders and analysis.

5.1 Basic concepts

Using strings we define β -rational numbers Q_{β} with its ordering and show how to represent them in L_{β} . We define a β -real number interval which is used later in section 5.4 to analyse Q_{β} further. We show that the ordering of Q_{α} is α computable and an order type of an α -rational is uniformly α -computable.

5.1.1 Strings

We define strings of transfinite length and explain the notation involved.

Definition 5.1.1. (Language signature, character and string¹) Let \mathcal{L} be a set that contains the element λ .

• The set \mathcal{L} is called the *language signature*.

¹Strings are a common concept in the field of Computer Science. α -strings were introduced in this thesis.

- An element in \mathcal{L} is called a *character*.
- The element λ is called the *empty character*.
- For an ordinal α ∈ Ord an α-string σ is a total function σ : α → L satisfying the following property:

$$\forall \gamma, \delta < \alpha [\gamma < \delta \land \sigma(\gamma) = \lambda \implies \sigma(\delta) = \lambda].$$

If σ(0) = λ, then σ is called the *empty string* and denoted also by λ, i.e. σ = λ.

If the ordinal α is clear from the context, we just use the term *string* for an α -string.

Note 5.1.2. (Notation for strings)

We avoid complex definitions of the concepts and notation below and instead provide simple clarifying examples of α -strings for some ordinal α .

• *abc* is the *compact string notation* for the string

 $\{(0, a), (1, b), (2, c)\} \cup \{(\gamma, \lambda) \in \alpha \times \mathcal{L} : 2 < \gamma\}.$

E.g. $abc\lambda = abc$. Here we make a convention to grow a string from the left to the right.

- σ(γ) is the γth character of the string σ. E.g. abc(0) = a, abc(1) = b, abc(2) = c, abc(3) = λ.
- σ[γ, δ], σ[γ, δ), σ(γ, δ], σ(γ, δ) denote string intervals. E.g. abcd[1, 3] = bcd, abcd[1, 3) = bc, abcd[1, 5] = bcdλλ = bcd = abcd[1, 3].
- $\sigma \cdot \tau$ denotes the *concatenation* of the strings σ and τ . E.g. if $\sigma = 000$ and $\tau = abc$, then $\sigma \cdot \tau = 000abc$.
- x^{γ} is the concatenation of γ many characters or strings x. E.g. $(bc)^3 = bcbcbc, 0^4 \cdot a^2 = 0000aa.$
- σ ↾ δ denotes the restriction of the string σ to the characters at the position less than δ, i.e.

 $\forall c \in \mathcal{L} \forall \gamma < \alpha [c = (\sigma \restriction \delta)(\gamma) \iff \gamma < \delta \land c = \sigma(\gamma) \lor \delta \le \gamma \land c = \lambda].$ E.g. $(abcde) \upharpoonright 3 = abc.$

• The *order type* of the string σ denoted as $ot(\sigma)$ is defined as

$$ot(\sigma) \coloneqq min(\{\gamma \le \alpha : \sigma(\gamma) = \lambda\}).$$

E.g. $\operatorname{ot}(\lambda) = 0$, $\operatorname{ot}(ab) = 2$, $\operatorname{ot}(abc \cdot d^{\omega} \cdot ad) = 3 + \omega + 2 = \omega + 2$.
Let S ⊆ L - {λ} and β < Ord. Then S^{<β} are the strings of an order type less than β that consist of the characters in S, i.e.

 $S^{<\beta} \coloneqq \{\sigma : \beta \to S \cup \{\lambda\} | \sigma \text{ is a } \beta \text{-string} \}.$ E.g. $\{a, b\}^{<3} = \{\lambda, a, aa, ab, b, ba, bb\}.$

5.1.2 β -rationals Q_{β} with ordering

Definition 5.1.3. (β -rational numbers²)

- Let β be a limit ordinal. Then β -rational numbers Q_{β} is a set of binary β -strings, i.e. $Q_{\beta} := \{\triangleleft, \triangleright\}^{<\beta}$.
- The ordering on Q_β is the total lexicographical ordering induced by the ordering on the substrings ⊲, λ, ▷ where ⊲ < λ < ▷: for σ, τ ∈ Q_β define < as following:

$$\sigma < \tau \iff \exists \gamma < \beta [\sigma \upharpoonright \gamma = \tau \upharpoonright \gamma \land (\sigma(\gamma), \tau(\gamma)) \in \{ (\triangleleft, \lambda), (\triangleleft, \triangleright), (\lambda, \triangleright) \}]$$

Remark 5.1.4. (Order type of β -rational)

Recall note 5.1.2. As every β -rational is a β -string, the order type of the β -rational σ is the order type of the β -string σ . Specifically,

$$ot(\sigma) \coloneqq \min\{\gamma < \beta : \sigma(\gamma) = \lambda\}.$$

Proposition 5.1.5. ³ Let β be a limit ordinal and let $\delta < \beta$ be 0 or a limit ordinal. Let $\pi \in Q_{\beta}$ be a β -string of order type δ . Let S be a set of β -rationals of order type in the interval $[\delta, \delta + \omega)$ for which π is a substring. In notation,

$$S \coloneqq \{ \rho \in Q_{\beta} : \pi \subseteq \rho \land \operatorname{ot}(\rho) \in [\delta, \delta + \omega) \}.$$

Then

$$(S,<) \cong (Q_{\omega},<).$$

Proof. Note

$$S = \{\pi \cdot \sigma \in Q_{\beta} : \operatorname{ot}(\pi \cdot \sigma) \in [\delta, \delta + \omega)\} = \{\pi \cdot \sigma : \sigma \in Q_{\omega}\}.$$

5.1.3 β -real number unit interval I_{β}

Definition 5.1.6. (β -real number unit interval⁴)

Let β be a limit ordinal. Then β -real number unit interval I_{β} is a set of binary strings of an order type less than or equal to β , i.e. $I_{\beta} := \{\triangleleft, \triangleright\}^{\leq \beta}$.

²Introduced in this thesis.

³Introduced in this thesis.

⁴Introduced in this thesis.

One could establish that the β -real numbers in the unit interval are a completion of the β -rational numbers in a natural sense.

Remark 5.1.7. (Greatest and the least element)

The β -real number unit interval I_{β} has the least element \triangleleft^{β} and the greatest element \triangleright^{β} . Hence one should not think of I_{β} as being analogous to the generalization of all of \mathbb{R} , but only the interval $[0, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

Similarly, the β -rational numbers Q_{β} are analogous to the generalization of the open unit interval $(0,1) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$.

However, the rational interval ((0,1), <) and $(\mathbb{Q}, <)$ are models of the same theories and thus are indistinguishable. Hence, for the sake of the simplicity, we call Q_{β} as β -rational numbers.

One way to define β -real numbers R_{β} is as the set I_{β} without the greatest and the least element, i.e. $R_{\beta} \coloneqq I_{\beta} - \{ \triangleleft^{\beta}, \triangleright^{\beta} \}.$

5.1.4 Representation of Q_{α} in L_{α}

Definition 5.1.8. (Binary representation of a subset by a string⁵)

A binary representation of a subset $A \subseteq \beta$ for any ordinal β is a string σ of order type β consisting of symbols 0, 1 satisfying the conditions:

- $\forall \gamma < \beta[\sigma(\gamma) = 0 \iff \gamma \notin A],$
- $\forall \gamma < \beta[\sigma(\gamma) = 1 \iff \gamma \in A].$

Example 5.1.9. The set $A = \{1, 2, 4\}$ is represented by a string 011010000...

Note 5.1.10. (Representation of a β -rational)

We represent every string $\sigma \in Q_{\beta}$ as the set $S \subseteq \beta$ defined as follows:

- \triangleleft character in σ is represented by 01 string in S.
- \triangleright character in σ is represented by 11 string in S.
- λ character (the termination of the string σ) is represented by 00 symbol in S. We conceive 00 substring in the binary representation of an β-rational as a termination marker since all the characters afterwards will be 0s in the representation.
- the set S is defined by its binary representation which is the concatenation of the representations of the characters of σ .

⁵Binary representations of various objects are very common in the field of Computer Science.

If σ ∈ Q_β is represented by S ⊆ β, then we may identify σ with S and thus have:

$$\sigma \in L_{\beta} \iff S \in L_{\beta}.$$

Remark 5.1.11. Every string $\sigma \in Q_{\alpha}$ is bounded. Therefore if we assume V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal, then $Q_{\alpha} \subseteq L_{\alpha}$.

5.2 Computability on Q_{α}

Proposition 5.2.1. ⁶ There exists an α -computable injection $i: Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} \rightarrow \alpha$.

Proof. As $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ is an α -computable set and there exists an α -computable injection $L_{\alpha} \rightarrow \alpha$, so its restriction $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} \rightarrow \alpha$ has to be also an injection and α -computable.

Proposition 5.2.2. ⁷ The ordering < in $(Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}, <)$ is α -computable.

Proof. The equality on Q_{α} is clearly α -computable. From definition 5.1.3 < is $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$, by symmetry also $\Pi_1(L_{\alpha})$ using the totality of <. Therefore < is $\Delta_1(L_{\alpha})$, thus α -computable.

Proposition 5.2.3. (Computability of an order type⁸)

The order type of a β rational ρ is uniformly $\Pi_0(L_\beta, \rho)$ -definable.

Proof. Note that

$$\operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \delta \iff \forall \gamma \leq \delta[\rho(\gamma) = \triangleleft \lor \rho(\gamma) = \triangleright] \land \rho(\delta) = \lambda$$

which is Π_0 over L_β with ρ as a parameter.

5.3 $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ as order

The classic result states that any infinite countable unbounded dense total orders are isomorphic, see theorem 5.3.1 below.

Theorem 5.3.1. ⁹ Suppose that (A, <) and (B, <) are both infinite countable unbounded dense total orders. Then $(A, <) \cong (B, <)$, i.e. (A, <) is order isomorphic to (B, <).

We use theorem 5.3.1 to conclude corollary 5.3.3 that $(Q_{\omega}, <) \cong (\mathbb{Q}, <)$. This result provides us with more intuition about the β -rational numbers Q_{β} by inspecting the case when $\beta = \omega$.

⁶Introduced in this thesis.

⁷Introduced in this thesis.

⁸Introduced in this thesis.

⁹Follows from theorem 2.4.1. in [18] proved by Back and Forth method.

5.3.1 $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ as an unbounded dense total order

Proposition 5.3.2. ¹⁰ $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ is an unbounded dense total order.

Proof. Let σ, τ be β -rational numbers. If σ and τ are not equal, then let $p < \beta$ be the least position on which σ and τ disagree, i.e.

$$p \coloneqq \min\{\gamma < \beta : \sigma(\gamma) \neq \tau(\gamma)\}.$$

If $\sigma(p) = \triangleleft$ or both $\sigma(p) = \lambda$ and $\tau(p) = \triangleright$, then $\sigma <_{Q_{\beta}} \tau$, otherwise $\tau <_{Q_{\beta}} \sigma$. Hence $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ is a total order.

Assume $\sigma < \tau$. Then $(\sigma(p), \tau(p)) \in \{(\triangleleft, \lambda), (\triangleleft, \triangleright), (\lambda, \triangleright)\}$. If $\sigma(p) = \triangleleft$, then define $\rho \coloneqq \sigma \cdot \triangleright$. If $\sigma(p) = \lambda$, then define $\rho \coloneqq \tau \cdot \triangleleft$. As $\sigma, \tau \in Q_{\beta}$, so the order type of σ and τ is bounded in β . Thus also the order type of ρ is bounded in β and so $\rho \in Q_{\beta}$. Note that $\sigma < \rho < \tau$ and so $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ is a dense order.

If $\sigma \in Q_{\beta}$, then $\sigma \cdot \triangleleft < \sigma < \sigma \cdot \triangleright$ and $\sigma \cdot \triangleleft, \sigma \cdot \triangleright \in Q_{\beta}$. Hence $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ is unbounded.

Therefore $(Q_{\beta}, <)$ is an unbounded dense total order.

Corollary 5.3.3. ¹¹ $(Q_{\omega}, <) \cong (\mathbb{Q}, <)$

Proof. The rational numbers \mathbb{Q} are a countable infinite dense unbounded total order. Similarly, the ω -rationals Q_{ω} are an unbounded dense total order by proposition 5.3.2. Clearly, $\#Q_{\omega} = \aleph_0$. Therefore $(Q_{\omega}, <) \cong (\mathbb{Q}, <)$ by theorem 5.3.1 as required.

5.4 Analysis on Q_β

We study density and weak forms of completeness of the β -rational numbers Q_{β} .

Proposition 5.4.1. (Infimum existence¹²) Every subset of Q_{β} has an infimum in I_{β} .

Proof. Let $S \subseteq Q_{\beta}$ and bounded below by $\tau \in Q_{\beta}$, i.e. $\forall \sigma \in S.\tau \leq \sigma$. We construct the infimum $\rho \in I_{\beta}$ of S in β stages. Start with the stage $\gamma = 0$. At the stage $\gamma < \beta$ assume that $\rho[0, \gamma)$ has been defined and define $\rho(\gamma)$ according to the following rules:

If there is σ ∈ S s.t. σ[0, γ) = ρ[0, γ) and σ(γ) = ⊲, then set ρ(γ) = ⊲ and go to the stage γ + 1.

¹⁰Introduced in this thesis.

¹¹Introduced in this thesis.

¹²Introduced in this thesis.

- If there is σ ∈ S s.t. σ[0, γ) = ρ[0, γ) and σ(γ) = λ, then set ρ(γ) = λ and go to the stage γ + 1. Note that σ is the minimum of the set S and so in the end ρ := σ.
- Otherwise set $\rho(\gamma) = \triangleright$ and go to the stage $\gamma + 1$.

From the construction it is clear that ρ is equal or smaller than any other element of S. Also ρ is the maximal possible element. Hence ρ is the infimum of S as required.

Proposition 5.4.2. ¹³ Every set bounded in order type $\delta < \beta$ is bounded by some β -rationals of the order type δ , i.e.

$$\forall S \subseteq Q_{\beta} \big[\exists \delta < \beta \forall \sigma \in S. \operatorname{ot}(\sigma) \le \delta \implies \exists \tau_0, \tau_1 \in Q_{\beta} \\ [\operatorname{ot}(\tau_0) = \delta \wedge \operatorname{ot}(\tau_1) = \delta \wedge \forall \sigma \in S. \tau_0 \le \sigma \le \tau_1] \big].$$

Proof. Take $\tau_0 = \triangleleft^{\delta}$ and $\tau_1 = \triangleright^{\delta}$. Then $\forall \sigma \in S. \tau_0 \leq \sigma \leq \tau_1$ as required.

Definition 5.4.3. (Set parameter infimum/supremum¹⁴) Let (S, \leq) be an ordered set and let $A, B \subseteq S$.

• The *A*-infimum of the set *B* is defined as

 $\inf_{A}(B) \coloneqq \max\{a \in A : \forall b \in B.a \le b\}.$

• The A-supremum of the set B is defined as

 $\sup_{A}(B) \coloneqq \min\{a \in A : \forall b \in B.b \le a\}.$

Remark 5.4.4. In other words, A-infimum of the set B is the greatest lower bound of B which is in A. Similarly, A-supremum of the set B is the least upper bound of B which is in A.

Proposition 5.4.5. (Order type δ infimum existence and computability¹⁵) Let $S \subseteq Q_{\beta}$ be bounded in order type $\delta < \beta$. Define

$$Q \coloneqq \{\rho \in Q_{\beta} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \delta\}.$$

Then the Q-infimum of S exists and is uniformly $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, S, \delta)$ -definable.

Proof. Let v be the infimum of the set S as constructed in proposition 5.4.1. Let γ be the order type of v, i.e. $\gamma \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(v)$. Set $\rho_1 \coloneqq v \triangleright$, i.e. the string v padded with the characters \triangleright so that $\operatorname{ot}(\rho_1) = \delta$. Set $\rho_2 \coloneqq v \triangleleft \triangleright$ so that $\operatorname{ot}(\rho_2) = \delta$. Note that if $\gamma = \delta$, then $\rho_1 = \rho_2 = v$.

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¹⁵Introduced in this thesis.

If $\forall \sigma \in S.\rho_1 \leq \sigma$, then set $\rho \coloneqq \rho_1$, otherwise set $\rho \coloneqq \rho_2$. Now by definition $\forall \sigma \in S.\rho \leq \sigma$. Also ρ is the maximum such β -rational number of the order type δ . As $ot(\rho) = \delta$, so $\rho \in Q \subseteq Q_{\beta}$.

Hence ρ is the Q-infimum of the set S. Therefore the Q-infimum of the set S exists.

Next using proposition 5.2.3 we observe that $\inf_Q(S)$ is uniformly definable with bounded quantifiers from the parameters S and δ only since

$$\rho = \inf_Q(S) \iff \forall \sigma \in S. \rho \le \sigma \land \forall \tau \le \triangleright^{\delta}$$
$$[\operatorname{ot}(\tau) = \delta \land \forall \sigma \in S. \tau \le \sigma \implies \tau \le \sigma].$$

Therefore $\inf_Q(S)$ is uniformly $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, S, \delta)$ -definable as required.

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Proposition 5.4.6. ¹⁶ Let $S \subseteq Q_{\alpha}$ be bounded in order type $\delta < \alpha$ and let S be α -finite. Define

$$\hat{Q} \coloneqq \{ \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \delta \}.$$

Then the \hat{Q} -infimum of S denoted as $\inf_{\hat{Q}}(S)$ exists and is uniformly α computable from S and δ .

Proof. Define

$$Q \coloneqq \{\rho \in Q_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \delta\}$$

By proposition 5.4.5 the α -rational $\rho \coloneqq \inf_Q(S)$ exists and is uniformly $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, S)$ -definable. As S is α -finite, ρ is $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha)$ -definable and hence α computable. As $\operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \delta$, so ρ is also bounded. Hence ρ is α -finite by the
admissibility of α . Thus $\rho \in \hat{Q}$. Given that $\rho \in \hat{Q}$ and $\hat{Q} \subseteq Q$, we have $\rho = \inf_Q(S) = \inf_{\hat{Q}}(S)$. Therefore $\inf_{\hat{Q}}(S)$ exists.

Using $\inf_Q(S) = \inf_{\hat{Q}}(S)$, the uniform α -computability of $\inf_{\hat{Q}}(S)$ from Sand δ follows from the uniformly α -computability of $\inf_Q(S)$ from the parameters S and δ by proposition 5.4.5.

Proposition 5.4.7. (Setwise density of Q_{β} for sets bounded in order type¹⁷) Let $A, B \subseteq Q_{\beta}$ and $\gamma < \beta$. Define

$$Q \coloneqq \{\rho \in Q_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \gamma\}.$$

Assume that

$$\forall \sigma \in A \forall \tau \in B. \sigma < \tau \land \operatorname{ot}[A \sqcup B] \subseteq \gamma.$$

Then

i) there is uniformly $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, A)$ -definable $\rho \in Q_\beta$ satisfying

$$\operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \gamma \land \forall \sigma \in A \forall \tau \in B. \sigma < \rho < \tau,$$

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e.g. $\rho = \sup_{Q}(A)$,

ii) there is uniformly $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, B)$ -definable $\rho \in Q_\beta$ satisfying

$$ot(\rho) = \gamma \land \forall \sigma \in A \forall \tau \in B. \sigma < \rho < \tau,$$

e.g. $\rho = \inf_Q(B)$.

Proof. Let $\rho \coloneqq \inf_Q(B)$. Clearly, $\operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \gamma$. As

$$\forall \sigma \in A \forall \tau \in B. \sigma < \tau \land \operatorname{ot}[A \sqcup B] \subseteq \gamma,$$

so

$$\forall \sigma \in A \forall \tau \in B. \sigma < \rho < \tau].$$

Also ρ is uniformly $\Sigma_0(L_\alpha, B)$ -definable by proposition 5.4.5. Therefore the statement ii holds as required.

The statement i is true by the dual proof of ii.

5.5 Further directions

We investigated α -rational numbers Q_{α} as an α -computability theory analogue of the rational numbers \mathbb{Q} in ω -computability theory. We proved the basic statements about Q_{α} sufficient for our purpose to construct an α -semicomputable cut. However, there are many further directions out of the scope of this thesis which may yield fruitful investigations:

- interactions between different notions of continuity on Q_{α} , e.g. ϵ - δ continuity, α -sequential continuity, limit continuity, uniform continuity,
- relations between Q_{α} , hyperreals and surreals,
- generalizations of the real numbers, e.g. the completion of Q_α under α-Cauchy sequences, Dedekind cuts, subsets of α,
- continuity of a function $f: Q_{\alpha} \to Q_{\alpha}$ and the α -computability of its representation,
- α -metric spaces, α -Polish spaces and Higher Descriptive Set Theory.

Chapter 6

Semicomputable cut in Q_{α}

In this chapter we prove Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem 6.0.1 below. This theorem is used in section 6.3 to obtain results about the definability of the total α -enumeration degrees $TOT_{\alpha e}$ in the enumeration degrees $D_{\alpha e}$.

Theorem 6.0.1. (Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem) Let A and B form a nontrivial \mathcal{K} -pair. Then there exists an α -semicomputable cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ s.t. $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$ and $B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$.

The proof of theorem 6.0.1 generalizes the proof of Theorem 2.3 in [2] for $\alpha = \omega$ to an admissible ordinal α . The main ingredient of the proof is the labelling algorithm provided in section 6.1 which involves a priority argument. In this thesis we mainly focus on the new parts arising from the generalization.

This chapter is organized as follows. Section 6.1 explains the labelling algorithm. The labelling algorithm outline is given in section 6.1.1 with some concepts presented intuitively. The formal definitions of the intuitive concepts are given in section 6.1.2. The rest of the section provides formal framework and steps of the labelling algorithm with some of its properties. Section 6.2 defines the cut C using the labelling algorithm and proves theorem 6.0.1. Section 6.3 concludes that the total α -enumeration degrees are definable in the α -enumeration degrees.

6.1 Labelling algorithm

In this section a labelling algorithm is used to construct an α -computable sequence of the labelling functions $q_s : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \to Q_\alpha$ for $s < \alpha$ to prove lemma 6.1.1 below. Later in section 6.2.4 this sequence of the labelling functions is used to define a semicomputable cut C in Q_α in order to prove Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem 6.0.1. **Lemma 6.1.1.** Let A and B form a nontrivial \mathcal{K} -pair, then there exist an α computable sequence $q = \{q_s\}_{s < \alpha}$ of the α -computable partial labelling functions
and an α -semicomputable cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ s.t.

$$A = A_C := \{a \in \alpha_A : \exists s < \alpha.q_s(a) \in C\}$$
$$B = B_C := \{b \in \alpha_B : \exists s < \alpha.q_s(b) \in \overline{C}\}.$$

6.1.1 Algorithm outline

Constructing the cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ from the witness W of $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$

We use the witness W to the \mathcal{K} -pair $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ to construct the α -computable sequence q trying to satisfy two conditions for any $s < \alpha$:

$$(a,b) \in A \times B \implies q_s(a) < q_s(b), \tag{6.1}$$

$$(a,b) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B} \implies q_s(b) < q_s(a). \tag{6.2}$$

Therefore at the beginning the elements from α_A are on the right of an α -rational line Q_{α} , the elements from α_B are on the left of the α -rational line Q_{α} . Hence if $\{a, b\} \subseteq \operatorname{dom}(q_s)$ and (a, b) has not entered the α -enumeration W at the stage syet (i.e. $(a, b) \notin W_s$), then we have $q_s(b) < q_s(a)$. When (a, b) enters W, then we try to move a as much to the left and b as much to the right as possible so that $q_t(a) < q_t(b)$ at some stage t > s. This is not possible if there are some labels between b and a through which b and a cannot move as the conditions 6.1 and 6.2 would be violated. For example if $(a', b) \notin W_s$, $(a, b') \notin W_s$ and

$$q_s(b) < q_s(a') < q_s(b') < q_s(a),$$

then the label b cannot be moved to the right of the label a', similarly, the label a cannot be moved to the left of the label b'.

If it is not possible to have the label a to the left of the label b, then for such labels a and b we introduce a notion of a *dead zone* interval $[q_t(b), q_t(a)]$, see definition 6.1.13. We allow other labels to move out of the dead zone, but not inside it (unless the labels are of a higher priority).

To get rid of the dead zone intervals as much as possible, we have to introduce a *priority ordering* on the pairs $(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$. If (a_1, b_1) is of a higher priority than (a_2, b_2) , then it is more important to remove the dead zone $[q_t(b_1), q_t(a_1)]$ before removing the dead zone $[q_t(b_2), q_t(a_2)]$.

If $(a_1, b) \in W$, $(a_2, b) \notin W$ and $a_2 \in A$, then $a_1 \in A$. Therefore the main idea in defining the cut C to meet the conditions $A = A_C$ and $B = B_C$ is to place the labels $a_1 \in \alpha_A$ to the left of the labels $a_2 \in \alpha_A$ if a_1 label is witnessed by pairs in W of some fixed higher priority than the pairs in W witnessing a_2 . The case of the labels $b \in \alpha_B$ is symmetric, where labels start on the left and with new witnessing pairs in W move towards right.

Moving the label *a* to the left of *b* for $(a, b) \in W$

Recall from the previous subsubsection that the goal of the labelling algorithm is to move labels in such a way that the conditions 6.1 and 6.2 are satisfied. Now we outline in a little more detail some related scenarios and steps of the labelling algorithm to resolve them.

Permanent dead zone Let $W = \{(a_0, b_0), (a_1, b_1), \ldots\}$ be a witness to $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$. Let q_0 be the initial labelling function, we have:

$$\ldots < q_0(b_2) < q_0(b_1) < q_0(b_0) < q_0(a_0) < q_0(a_1) < q_0(a_2) < \ldots$$

First (a_0, b_0) is enumerated and the labelling algorithm places a_0 to the left of b_0 , i.e. $q_1(a_0) < q_1(b_0)$ using $W_1 := \{(a_0, b_0)\}$. Next (a_1, b_1) is enumerated and the labelling algorithm would like to place a_1 to the left of b_1 . However, as $(a_0, b_1) \notin W_2$, $(a_1, b_0) \notin W_2$ where $W_2 := \{(a_0, b_0), (a_1, b_1)\}$, so we will instead have the labelling function q_2 s.t.

$$q_2(b_1) < q_2(a_0) < q_2(b_0) < q_2(a_1).$$

The label a_0 cannot be moved to the left of the label b_1 as $(a_0, b_1) \notin W_2$ and we need to satisfy the condition 6.2. Here the label b_1 is an *obstacle* for the label a_0 . As a_1 and b_1 cannot satisfy the condition 6.1, so the interval $[q_2(b_1), q_2(a_1)]$ is a *dead zone*. If $(a_0, b_1) \notin W$, $(a_1, b_0) \notin W$, then a_1 will never be to the left of b_1 and such an interval $[q_2(b_1), q_2(a_1)]$ is called a *permanent dead zone*.

Strategy, its run and termination For each pair of the labels $(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ there is part of the labelling algorithm called *strategy* for the pair (a, b) which tries to move the labels a and b in such a way that the conditions 6.1 and 6.2 are satisfied.

When the strategy for the pair of labels (a, b) of the priority $p < \alpha$ runs at the stage $s < \alpha$, we call this a *strategy run* (s, p).

In lemma 6.2.6 we prove that such a strategy does not move labels forever, but eventually stops acting. Let $(a, b) \in W$. The termination of each strategy for some pair (a, b) is ensured by the following. If ever $q_s(a) < q_s(b)$ for some $s < \alpha$, then the condition 6.1 is satisfied and the strategy will never act again. Otherwise the interval $[q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ is a permanent dead zone. The labels inside the dead zone have to be of a higher priority (otherwise they would have to be moved out) and so using the induction hypothesis that the strategies of the higher priority have stopped acting we conclude that also the strategy for the pair (a, b)has to stop acting as it has nothing more to do. **Label clearing** The goal of the strategy for the pair $(a, b) \in W$ is to ensure 6.1, i.e. $q_s(a) < q_s(b)$. If this is not possible, then the interval $[q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ is a dead zone. In order to satisfy 6.1 it is important to shrink the dead zone as much as possible. This may not be always possible with moving the labels a and b alone. Hence after the labels a and b have been moved as much as possible, other labels are attempted to be cleared out of the dead zone. This is called *label clearing* and we demonstrate its importance in the following scenario.

Consider we have the following ordering of the labels:

$$q_s(b_2) < q_s(a_3) < q_s(b_1) < q_s(a_0) < q_s(a_2) < q_s(b_0) < q_s(a_1),$$

the following memberships $(a_0, b_1) \notin W$, $(a_3, b_2) \notin W$, $(a_2, b_2) \notin W$, $(a_1, b_0) \notin W$, $(a_2, b_1) \in W$, $(a_1, b_1) \in W$, with the following priority ordering:

$$p(a_1, b_1) > p(a_0, b_2) > p(a_2, b_1).$$

Then the strategy for the pair (a_1, b_1) would like to move the label a_1 to left of the label b_1 , but it cannot do so as $(a_0, b_1) \notin W$ and $(a_1, b_0) \notin W$. However, we have $(a_2, b_1) \in W$ and so a_2 can be put to the left of b_1 and so the dead zone for the pair (a_1, b_1) can be shrunk by one label as desired. This is the label clearing of the strategy for the pair (a_1, b_1) .

Note that the label clearing of the label a_2 is necessary as it cannot be done by the strategy (a_2, b_1) since $[q_s(b_2), q_s(a_0)]$ is a dead zone of the higher priority than the dead zone $[q_s(b_1), q_s(a_2)]$.

6.1.2 Formalizing the concepts

In subsection 6.1.1 we outlined the labelling algorithm and introduced intuitively some concepts as a label, labelling function, obstacle, dead zone, permanent dead zone, priority. In this subsection we formalize these and some more concepts including adjacent labels, left of an interval, connectedness since their precise meaning in the proof of Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem 6.0.1 is crucial.

Labelling function, label, obstacle

Definition 6.1.2. (Labelling function and label)

- A *labelling function* is a total injection q̂ : α_A ⊔ α_B → Q_α from two disjoint copies of α to α-rationals.
- If $c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ and $\hat{q}(c) = \rho \in Q_\alpha$, then c is the *label* for ρ in \hat{q} .

Definition 6.1.3. (Labels inside/outside of the cut in Q_{α})

Given a set $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha}$ and an α -sequence of partial labellings $q_s : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \rightarrowtail Q_{\alpha}$

for $s < \alpha$, define

$$A_C \coloneqq \{a \in \alpha_A : \exists s < \alpha.q_s(a) \in C\},\$$
$$B_C \coloneqq \{b \in \alpha_B : \exists s < \alpha.q_s(b) \in \overline{C}\}.$$

Definition 6.1.4. (α -computable sequence of functions)

A sequence of partial functions $q_s : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ is α -computable iff the partial α computable function $q : \alpha \times \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ defined by $q = \lambda sc.q_s(c)$ is α -computable.

Recall definition 6.1.2 that a labelling function is total.

Definition 6.1.5. (Label obstacle)

Let $q_{s,p} : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \to Q_\alpha$ be an input labelling function of the labelling algorithm for the strategy run (s, p). A label b_o is a (left) *obstacle* for the label a (at the stage s and priority p) iff $q_{s,p}(b_o) < q_{s,p}(a)$ and $(a, b_o) \notin W_s$. Define the right obstacles for the labels in α_B symmetrically.

Definition 6.1.6. (Labelling function consistency)

A labelling function $\hat{q} : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \rightarrow Q_\alpha$ is *consistent* with respect to the set of pairs $W \subseteq \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ iff

$$\forall (a,b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B[\hat{q}(a) < \hat{q}(b) \implies (a,b) \in W].$$

Adjacency

The labelling algorithm has to be able to determine if two labels are next to each other, i.e. adjacent.

Definition 6.1.7. (Label adjacency)

Let $\hat{q} : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \to Q_\alpha$ be a labelling function and $c, d \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ be labels satisfying the condition $\hat{q}(c) < \hat{q}(d)$. We say that the two labels c and d are *adjacent* iff for every other label $e \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ either $\hat{q}(e) < \hat{q}(c)$ or $\hat{q}(d) < \hat{q}(e)$. We say that c is adjacent to d from the left and that d is adjacent to c from the right.

It is important to position and determine an exact position of a label wrt to some set of labels (which can be all the labels in some interval for example).

Definition 6.1.8. (Adjacency from the right/left)

Let $\hat{q} : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \rightarrow Q_\alpha$ be a labelling function and $d \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ be a label and $C \subseteq \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ be a set of labels. Then the label *d* is *adjacent* (from the right) to the labels *C* iff:

i) $\forall c \in C.\hat{q}(c) < \hat{q}(d),$

ii)
$$\forall e \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B [\forall c \in C. \hat{q}(c) < \hat{q}(e) \land d \neq e \implies \hat{q}(d) < \hat{q}(e)].$$

We say that d is adjacent to c (from the right) iff d is adjacent to a set $\{c\}$. Define adjacency from the left symmetrically. If c and is adjacent to d from the left, then we say that the labels c and d are adjacent.

We have the following relation between definition 6.1.7 and definition 6.1.8.

Remark 6.1.9. Let $c, d \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ be labels. Then the label c is adjacent to the label d from the left/right iff the label c is adjacent to the set $\{d\}$ from the left/right respectively.

Priority

The priority ordering on the label pairs determines the order in which the strategies act and the order in which the dead zones are cleared out. The priority ordering prevents that a dead zone is cleared out of the labels and then new labels are added into it again. Ultimately, this guarantees that each strategy would stop acting eventually (lemma 6.2.6) which is essential to construct a static semicomputable cut to prove lemma 6.1.1.

Definition 6.1.10. (Priority on pairs)

The *priority* for a pair $(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ is given by an α -computable bijection $\alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$. Denote this bijection as $p : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$.

Lemma 6.1.11. (Computability of priority) There is an α -computable bijection $p : \alpha \times \alpha \to \alpha$.

Proof. Take the inverse of the α -computable bijection $p_2 : \alpha \to \alpha \times \alpha$ in proposition 3.2.3.

Priority in definition 6.1.10 inherits the ordering from the ordinal ordering. If $p_1 < p_2$, then the ordinal p_1 is smaller than the ordinal p_2 and p_2 is greater than p_1 . For lower and higher priority terms, the meaning is reversed.

Definition 6.1.12. (Lower and higher priority) Let $p_1 < p_2$. Then:

- p_1 is a *higher* priority than p_2 .
- p_2 is a *lower* priority than p_1 .

Dead zone

Definition 6.1.13. (Dead zone - DZ)

An interval $[q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ is a *dead zone* of a priority p iff $(a, b) \in W_s$, $q_s(b) < q_s(a)$ and p(a, b) = p.

Definition 6.1.14. (Permanent dead zone - PDZ)

A dead zone $Z = [q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ is permanent iff

 $\forall t < \alpha [s < t \implies q_s^{-1} \upharpoonright Z = q_t^{-1} \upharpoonright Z].$

Connectedness of α **-rationals**

 α -rational numbers can be connected through some set of intervals such as dead zones. Connected dead zones of a higher priority are treated as one dead zone. Hence it is important for a labelling algorithm to know if two α -rationals are connected.

Definition 6.1.15. (Connectedness through the set of intervals)

Let $\rho, \sigma \in Q_{\alpha}$. Let \mathcal{I} be a^{1} set of intervals in Q_{α} . Denote ρ is connected to σ through \mathcal{I} as $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$. Define $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ inductively:

- $\exists I \in \mathcal{I}[\rho \in I \land \sigma \in I] \implies \operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$
- $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I}) \wedge \operatorname{conn}(\sigma, \tau, \mathcal{I}) \implies \operatorname{conn}(\rho, \tau, \mathcal{I})$

Lemma 6.1.16. Suppose that $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$. Then there is $\mathcal{I}_f \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ s.t. $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I}_f)$ and $\#\mathcal{I}_f < \aleph_0$.

Proof. Suppose that ρ and σ are connected through \mathcal{I} . Then there is a finite proof of this statement. As the proof is finite, so it refers to only finitely many intervals from \mathcal{I} . Let \mathcal{I}_f be the set of these intervals. Then $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I}_f)$ and $\#\mathcal{I}_f < \aleph_0$ as required.

Lemma 6.1.17. Define the predicate $fin(K) : \iff \#K < \aleph_0$. Then fin is α -computable on an α -finite domain.

Proof. Note

$$fin(K) \iff \exists n < \omega \exists f \in L_{\alpha}[\pi_1[f] = n \land \pi_2[f] = K]$$

where π_1, π_2 represent α -computable projections, $f : n \to K$ is a partial surjection. Clearly fin : $L_{\alpha} \to \{0, 1\} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ as required.

Lemma 6.1.18. The predicate conn is α -computable on an α -finite domain, i.e.

$$\operatorname{conn}: (Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}) \times (Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}) \times L_{\alpha} \to \{0,1\}$$

is α -computable.

Proof. First observe that $conn(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I}_f)$ is clearly α -computable on the domain where \mathcal{I}_f is finite, i.e. just try all the possible arrangements of the intervals in \mathcal{I}_f in a finite time to test the connectedness of ρ and σ through \mathcal{I}_f . Recall

$$\texttt{fin}(K) \iff \#K < \aleph_0$$

 $^{{}^{1}\}mathcal{I}$ does not necessarily contain all the intervals in Q_{α} .

Using lemma 6.1.16 we have

 $\operatorname{conn}(\rho,\sigma,\mathcal{I}) \iff \exists \mathcal{I}_f \in L_{\alpha}[\mathcal{I}_f \subseteq \mathcal{I} \wedge \operatorname{fin}(\mathcal{I}_f) \wedge \operatorname{conn}(\rho,\sigma,\mathcal{I}_f)].$

Hence $\operatorname{conn}(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ is α -computable by the observation, α -finiteness of \mathcal{I} and α -computability of fin (lemma 6.1.17).

The labelling function q_{α} and label connectedness

Remark 6.1.19. (Labels in PDZ and their labelling function q_{α}) By definition 6.1.14, for every PDZ there is some stage $s < \alpha$ s.t. every label $c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ in PDZ stops moving by that stage s, i.e. $\forall t < \alpha[s \le t \implies q_s(c) = q_t(c)]$. Therefore we can define a partial labelling function $q_{\alpha} : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \rightharpoonup Q_{\alpha}$ on the domain of stationary labels by:

$$\forall c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \forall \rho \in Q_\alpha \big[(c, \rho) \in q_\alpha \iff \exists s < \alpha \big]$$
$$[q_s(c) = \rho \land \forall t < \alpha \big(s \le t \implies q_s(c) = q_t(c) \big) \big].$$

The function q_{α} could be extended in a compatible way with the definition of a limit function in section 6.1.7, but its codomain and image would have to contain elements outside of the α -rationals Q_{α} .

Definition 6.1.20. (Connectedness of labels)

Let $c, d \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$. The labels c, d are *connected* iff $q_\alpha(c)$ and $q_\alpha(d)$ are connected through PDZs according to definition 6.1.15.

6.1.3 The labelling function construction

A label a (or b) with a subscript if applicable is in α_A (or α_B). Index the enumeration of W as $W = \{(a_0, b_0), (a_1, b_1), \ldots\}$ and define

$$W_s \coloneqq \{(a_t, b_t) : t < s\}.$$

We construct the labelling sequence $q : \alpha \times (\alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B) \rightarrow Q_\alpha$ also denoted as $\{q_s\}_{s < \alpha}$ in α stages by constructing the labelling sequence

 $\{q_{s,p,u}\}_{0 \le s < \alpha, 0 \le p \le s+1, -1 \le u \le s+1}$ first in definition 6.1.24. The construction of $q_{s,p,u}$ depends on whether (s, p, u) is an initial, strategy, clearing or a limit triple as defined below in definition 6.1.21.

Using the triple indexing for the labelling function enables us to track the detailed changes of the labelling function which simplifies the proofs of the properties about the labelling function later. The first index s determines which α -finite subset of the set W is used by the labelling algorithm. At the stage s = r + 1 the set W_r is used. At the stage s where s is a limit ordinal, the set W_s is used. The second index p represents the priority of the pair (a, b) that is passed to the part of the labelling algorithm called the strategy run which attempts to move the label a to the left of the label b. The clearing of the labels is executed after each strategy run. The third index u represents the stage within the algorithm for the clearing of the labels. At the stage u the pair (c, d) with the priority u is attempted to be cleared.

Definition 6.1.21. (Initial, strategy, clearing and limit triple) Assume $0 \le s < \alpha, 0 \le p \le s + 1, -1 \le u \le s + 1$. Then

- (s, p, u) is an *initial triple* iff u = -1.
- (s, p, u) is a strategy triple iff u = 0.
- (s, p, u) is a *clearing triple* iff u > 0 and $\neg \lim(u)$.
- (s, p, u) is a *limit triple* iff $\lim(u) \vee \lim(p) \wedge u = -1 \vee \lim(s) \wedge p = 0 \wedge u = -1.$

Note that the definition definition 6.1.21 allows for a triple to be both an initial and a limit triple.

Remark 6.1.22. (Equality relation on triples)

We extend the equality relation on triples by identifying

$$(s, p, s + 1) = (s, p + 1, -1),$$

 $(s, s + 1, s + 1) = (s + 1, 0, -1).$

In other words, $(s_1, p_1, u_1) = (s_2, p_2, u_2) \iff s_1 = s_2 \land p_1 = p_2 \land u_1 = u_2 \lor$

$$\exists s, p < \alpha[(s_1, p_1, u_1) = (s, p, s+1) \land (s_2, p_2, u_2) = (s, p+1, -1)] \lor \\ \exists s < \alpha[(s_1, p_1, u_1) = (s, s+1, s+1) \land (s_2, p_2, u_2) = (s+1, 0, -1)].$$

Remark 6.1.23. (Ordering on triples)

The ordering on the triples $(s, p, u) \in \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \sqcup \alpha)$ is a usual alphanumerical ordering: $(s_1, p_1, u_1) < (s_2, p_2, u_2) \iff$

$$s_1 < s_2 \lor s_1 = s_2 \land p_1 < p_2 \lor s_1 = s_2 \land p_1 = p_2 \land u_1 < u_2$$

Definition 6.1.24. (Labelling sequence construction)

Construct the labelling sequence $\{q_{s,p,u}\}_{0 \le s < \alpha, 0 \le p \le s+1, -1 \le u \le s+1}$ as follows:

- $q_{0,0,-1} \coloneqq \emptyset$.
- $q_{s,p+1,-1} \coloneqq q_{s,p,s+1}$.
- *q*_{t,r,v} := lim_{(s,p,u)<(t,r,v)}(*q*_{s,p,u}) if (*t*, *r*, *v*) is a limit triple where lim_{(s,p,u)<(t,r,v)}(*q*_{s,p,u}) is the limit function defined in section 6.1.7.
- $q_{s,p,0}$ is the output of the strategy run (s, p) on the input function $q_{s,p,-1}$ for a pair (a, b) of a priority p using W_{s+1} . See section 6.1.5 on a strategy run.

 q_{s,p,u+1} where −1 ≤ u ≤ s is the output of clearing labels of the pair (c, d) ∈ α_A ⊔ α_B of the priority u from the the dead zone [q_{s,p,u}(b), q_{s,p,u}(a)] where (a, b) is a label pair of a priority p. See section 6.1.6 on label clearing.

Using the sequence with triple indices define abridged sequences $\{q_{s,p}\}_{s<\alpha,p\leq s+1}$ and $\{q_s\}_{s<\alpha}$ by the assignment $q_s \coloneqq q_{s,0} \coloneqq q_{s,0,-1}$.

In the end, we have an α -computable sequence of α -computable partial labelling functions $q_s : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \to Q_\alpha$ for $s < \alpha$ as required. Note that if $t < \alpha$ is a limit ordinal, then $q_t = \lim_{s < t} q_s$. Also note that for any $s < \alpha$ the function q_s is constructed from W_s .

6.1.4 Label order type at the substage (s, p, u)

The strategy for the pair (a, b) moves the labels a and b first. Next if $[q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ is a dead zone, then it tries to move other labels out of this dead zone. Recall the order type $ot(\rho)$ of an α -rational ρ is the order type of the binary string representing this α -rational. As ρ is an α -rational, so $ot(\rho) < \alpha$. Every label moved has to be moved to an α -rational Q_{α} of a certain order type dependent on the stage s, priority p and the label itself. This is to guarantee that at every stage there is enough space for new adjacent labels which is made precise later, see proposition 6.2.3i.

Here we define an order type function $\operatorname{ot} : \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) \to \alpha$ which is used to specify a label order type during the strategy run in section 6.1.5 and during the label clearing in section 6.1.6. We also define a limit order type function $\operatorname{otLim} : \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) \to \alpha$ which is used to specify a label order type during the limit function construction in section 6.1.7.

Definition 6.1.25. (Order type functions)

The domain of the order type function ot is

$$\operatorname{dom}(\operatorname{ot}) \coloneqq \{(s, p, u) \in \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) : 0 \le s < \alpha, 0 \le p \le s, -1 \le u \le s\}.$$

The domain of the *limit order type function* otLim is

dom(otLim) := { $(s, p, u) \in \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) : (s, p, u)$ is a limit triple}.

Let $t, r, v < \alpha$ be limit ordinals. We define the order type function ot : $\alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha$ and the limit order type function otLim : $\alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha$ inductively:

- $ot(0,0,-1) \coloneqq 0$,
- $\operatorname{ot}(s, p, u+1) \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(s, p, u) + 2$,

- $\operatorname{ot}(s, p+1, -1) \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(s, p, s) + 2$,
- $\operatorname{ot}(s+1,0,-1) \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(s,s,s) + 2$,
- $\operatorname{otLim}(s, p, v) \coloneqq \sup_{u < v} \operatorname{ot}(s, p, u),$
- $\operatorname{otLim}(s, r, 0) \coloneqq \sup_{p < r} \operatorname{ot}(s, p, 0),$
- $\operatorname{otLim}(t, 0, -1) \coloneqq \sup_{s < t} \operatorname{ot}(s, 0, 0)$,
- $\operatorname{ot}(s, p, v) \coloneqq \operatorname{otLim}(s, p, v) \cdot 2$,
- $\mathsf{ot}(s, r, 0) \coloneqq \mathsf{otLim}(s, r, 0) \cdot 2$,
- $\operatorname{ot}(t, 0, -1) \coloneqq \operatorname{otLim}(t, 0, -1) \cdot 2.$

Lemma 6.1.26. (Properties of order type functions)

- ot is well-defined on all triples.
- otLim is well-defined on the limit triples.
- ot is α -computable.
- otLim is α -computable.

Proof. The proof is performed by the transfinite induction on the triple

$$\gamma = (s, p, u) \in \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha)$$

where $p, u \leq s + 1$.

The base case is clear: ot is well-defined and α -computable on the domain $\{(0,0,-1)\}$.

For the inductive case when $\gamma + 1$ is not a limit triple, by IH assume that ot is well-defined and α -computable on the domain $\gamma + 1$. Then clearly $ot(\gamma + 1) \coloneqq ot(\gamma) + 2$ is well-defined and α -computable uniformly from $\gamma + 1$. Hence ot is well-defined and α -computable on the domain $\gamma + 2$.

For the inductive case when δ is a limit triple, by IH assume that ot is welldefined and α -computable on the domain $D := \delta$. Note $D \in L_{\alpha}$. Hence $K := \operatorname{ot}[D] \in L_{\alpha}$. Note that $\operatorname{otLim}(\delta) := \operatorname{psup}(K)$ where psup is α -computable by lemma 3.5.1. Also $\operatorname{ot}(\delta) := \operatorname{otLim}(\delta) \cdot 2$. Hence $\operatorname{otLim}(\delta)$ and $\operatorname{ot}(\delta)$ are well-defined and uniformly α -computable from δ . Hence ot is well-defined and α -computable on the domain $\delta + 1$, and otLim is well-defined and α -computable on the domain $\{\gamma \leq \delta : \lim(\gamma)\}$.

Therefore the function ot is well-defined and α -computable on the domain α , and the function otLim is well-defined and α -computable on the domain $\{\delta < \alpha : \lim(\delta)\}.$

6.1.5 Strategy for (a, b) of the priority p at the stage s

Strategy for (a, b) of the priority p executes a strategy run (s, p) trying to satisfy the condition

 $(a,b) \in W_{s+1} \implies q_{s+1}(a) < q_{s+1}(b).$

Strategy run notation and order of execution

Definition 6.1.27. (Strategy run notation)

If a strategy runs at the stage $s < \alpha$ and for the pair (a, b) of an priority $p \le s$, then denote this strategy run by the pair (s, p).

By the above the first strategy runs are the following:

 $(0,0), (1,0), (1,1), (2,0), (2,1), (2,2), (3,0), \dots$

Definition 6.1.28. (Order of execution notation)

The function oe(s, p) denotes the *order of the execution* of the strategy run (s, p) and it is formally defined inductively as follows:

$$dom(oe) \coloneqq \{(s, p) : s \in \alpha, p \in s\}$$
$$oe(0, 0) \coloneqq 0$$
$$oe(s, p + 1) \coloneqq oe(s, p) + 1$$
$$oe(s, r) \coloneqq \sup\{oe(s, p) : p < r\} \text{ if } \lim(r)$$
$$oe(s + 1, 0) \coloneqq oe(s, s) + 1$$
$$oe(t, 0) \coloneqq \sup\{oe(s, 0) : s < t\} \text{ if } \lim(t)$$

Example 6.1.29. For example (0,0) is executed first, so oe(0,0) = 0 (starting from 0). For others, oe(1,0) = 1, oe(1,1) = 2, ..., $oe(n,p) = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1) + p$, ..., $oe(\omega, 0) = \omega$, etc.

Note that $\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$ is a triangular number.

Remark 6.1.30. Let δ be 0 or a limit ordinal. Let $n < \omega$ be a finite ordinal. Note that $oe(\delta, 0) = \sum_{\beta < \delta} \beta$. More generally, the order of execution of a strategy run $(\delta + n, p)$ is

$$oe(\delta + n, p) = (\sum_{\beta < \delta} \beta) + \delta \cdot n + n + p.$$

Strategy run (s, p) for the pair (a, b)

• Inputs:

- W_{s+1} (α -finite as $W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$)
- **-** s
- **-** p
- Output: $q_{s,p,0} \coloneqq q_{\text{out}}$
- Goal: $(a, b) \in W_{s+1} \implies q_{out}(a) < q_{out}(b)$ (possibly unsatisfiable)

Given as input the partial labelling function q_{in} , use the strategy underneath to modify q_{in} . Once the strategy run completed, copy the updated q_{in} into q_{out} .

Before the label clearing, the strategy for the pair (a, b) moves the labels a and b only and is allowed to label only two α -rationals of an order type θ and $\theta + 1$ where $\theta \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(s, p, -1)$ specified in definition 6.1.25.

If no rational is labelled by $a \in \alpha_A$, i.e. $q_{in}(a) \uparrow$, then put the label a to the right of all the defined labels in dom (q_{in}) , i.e. $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \triangleright^{\theta}$. Similarly, if $q_{in}(b) \uparrow$, then let $q_{in}(b) \coloneqq \triangleleft^{\theta}$ be left of all rationals in dom (q_{in}) .

At the stage $s < \alpha$, if (a, b) has not entered W_{s+1} , do nothing. If the current labels of q_{in} satisfy the condition $q_{in}(a) < q_{in}(b)$, do nothing. Otherwise, try to move the label a to the left of the label b. This may not always be possible: if $b_o \in \alpha_B$, $(a, b_o) \notin W$ and $q_{in}(b) < q_{in}(b_o) < q_{in}(a)$, then moving the label aleft of the label b would cause $q_{in}(a) < q_{in}(b_o)$ which may prevent the conditions $A = A_C$ and $B = B_C$ from being satisfied.

Hence the label b_o is an obstacle for the label a to be moved left of the label b at the stage s and priority p, see definition 6.1.5. Define

 $B_o \coloneqq \{b_o \in \alpha_B \cap \operatorname{dom}(q_{\operatorname{in}}) : q_{\operatorname{in}}(b_o) < q_{\operatorname{in}}(a) \land (a, b_o) \notin W_{s+1}\}$

to be the set of the *obstacles* for the label a.

Hence try to move the label a to the left of the label b according to the following rules:

- 1. follow the rules below iff $q_{in}(b) < q_{in}(a)$.
- 2. if $B_o = \emptyset$, then put the label *a* to the left of all the labels in q_{in} , i.e. $q_{in}(a) := \triangleleft^{\theta+1}$.
- 3. if no label on the right of B_o is in a dead zone of a higher priority with some label in B_o , then place the label *a* adjacent to the set B_o from the right.
- 4. if $q_{in}(a)$ is inside an interval protected by higher priority strategies and which contains some label from B_o , then do not move the label a.

5. otherwise do the following. First define the set Y.

 $Y := \{\hat{a} \in \alpha_A : \exists \hat{b} \in \alpha_B.(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in S\} \cup \{\hat{b} \in \alpha_B : \exists \hat{a} \in \alpha_A.(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in S\} \text{ where } S := \{(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B : (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1} \land p(\hat{a}, \hat{b})$

In a similar way move the label b as far right as possible.

Now copy the result q_{in} into the output labelling function q_{out} . This completes the strategy run (s, p) for the pair (a, b).

Pseudocode

The function *strategy_run* takes as an input the labelling function $q_{in} \coloneqq q_{s,p,-1}$ and the output is assigned to the function $q_{s,p,0}$.

1: function $strategy_run(q_{in}, W_{s+1}, s, p)$

Require: $q_{in} \in L_{\alpha}$ by IH

2: $\theta \coloneqq \mathsf{ot}(s, p, -1)$

3:
$$(a,b) \coloneqq p^{-1}(p)$$

- 4: **if** $a \notin \operatorname{dom}(q_{in})$ **then**
- 5: $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \triangleright^{\theta}$
- 6: **end if**
- 7: **if** $b \notin \operatorname{dom}(q_{in})$ **then**

8:
$$q_{in}(b) \coloneqq \triangleleft^{\theta}$$

- 9: **end if**
- 10: **if** $(a, b) \notin W_{s+1} \lor q_{in}(a) < q_{in}(b)$ then
- 11: return q_{in}
- 12: **end if**

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13: B_o \coloneqq \{b_o \in \alpha_B \cap \operatorname{dom}(q_{\operatorname{in}}) : q_{\operatorname{in}}(b_o) < q_{\operatorname{in}}(a) \land (a, b_o) \notin W_{s+1}\}
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14: q_{in} := move\_label\_a(q_{in})  \triangleright Move the label a as much left as possible
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15: q_{in} := move\_label\_b(q_{in})  \triangleright Move the label b as much right as possible
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- 16: return q_{in}
- 17: end function

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19: function $move_label_a(q_{in})$ if $B_o = \emptyset$ then 20: $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \triangleleft^{\theta+1}$ 21: return q_{in} 22: 23: end if $\hat{Q} \coloneqq \{\rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \theta + 1\}$ 24: $\mathbf{if} \; \forall (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \; \in \; W_{s+1}[\mathbf{p}(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \; < \; p \; \implies \; (\neg \exists b_o \; \in \; B_o.q_{\mathtt{in}}(\hat{b}) \; \le \; q_{\mathtt{in}}(b_o) \; < \;$ 25: $q_{in}(\hat{a}))$] then $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \sup_{\hat{O}}(B_o)$ 26: **return** q_{in} 27: end if 28: $Z \coloneqq \{ d \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{\mathtt{in}}) : \exists (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1}[\mathtt{p}(\hat{a}, \hat{b})$ 29: $q_{\mathtt{in}}(\hat{a})]\}$ $\mathbf{if} \ a \in Z \land \exists b_o \in B_o \cap Z \big[\forall c \in \mathrm{dom}(q_{\mathtt{in}}) [q_{\mathtt{in}}(b_o) < q_{\mathtt{in}}(c) < q_{\mathtt{in}}(a) \implies$ 30: $c \in Z$] then 31: return q_{in} end if 32: $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \sup_{\hat{O}}(q_{in}[Y])$ 33: 34: return q_{in} 35: end function

The function *move_label_b* is symmetric to the function *move_label_a* defined above. In particular, *move_label_b* uses the following sets:

$$A_{o} \coloneqq \{a_{o} \in \alpha_{A} \cap \operatorname{dom}(q_{\mathtt{in}}) : q_{\mathtt{in}}(b) < q_{\mathtt{in}}(a_{o}) \land (a_{o}, b) \notin W_{s+1}\},$$

$$Y_{b} \coloneqq \{\hat{a} \in \alpha_{A} : \exists \hat{b} \in \alpha_{B}.(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in S_{b}\} \cup \{\hat{b} \in \alpha_{B} : \exists \hat{a} \in \alpha_{A}.(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in S_{b}\}, \text{ where}$$

$$S_{b} \coloneqq \{(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in \alpha_{A} \times \alpha_{B} : (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1} \land \mathtt{p}(\hat{a}, \hat{b})$$

where A_o is the set of the obstacles for the label b and Y_b is the set of the labels in the maximal set for the label b. The function *move_label_b* is defined as follows.

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1: function move_label_b(q<sub>in</sub>)
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2:if A_o = \emptyset then3:q_{in}(b) \coloneqq \rhd^{\theta+1}4:return q_{in}
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5: **end if**

6:
$$\hat{Q} := \{ \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \theta + 1 \}$$

7: **if**
$$\forall (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1}[p(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) then$$

8:
$$q_{in}(b) \coloneqq \sup_{\hat{Q}}(A_o)$$

9: return
$$q_{in}$$

10: **end if**

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{11:} & Z \coloneqq \{d \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{\operatorname{in}}) : \exists (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1}[\operatorname{p}(\hat{a}, \hat{b})$

Properties

We assume the hypothesis that the input function q_{in} is α -finite.

Lemma 6.1.31. The set of the obstacles B_o is α -finite and uniformly α computable from the parameters q_{in} , a and W_{s+1} .

Proof. The set B_o is α -finite as $q_{in} \in L_\alpha$, dom $(q_{in}) \in L_\alpha$ by IH and $W_{s+1} \in L_\alpha$. By the definition of B_o , it is clearly uniformly α -computable from the parameters q_{in} , a and W_{s+1} as required.

Lemma 6.1.32. The set Z of the labels in the dead zones of a priority higher than p (or a set protected by strategies of a higher priority) in the function *move_label_a* is α -finite and uniformly α -computable from the parameters q_{in} , p and W_{s+1} .

Proof. Z is α -finite as dom $(q_{in}) \in L_{\alpha}$ and $q_{in} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ by IH, $W_{s+1} \in L_{\alpha}$ and $p \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$. The uniform α -computability of Z is follows from its definition as required.

Lemma 6.1.33. The set Y of the labels in the maximal set is α -finite and uniformly α -computable from the parameters q_{in} , a, p and W_{s+1} .

Proof. Recall $Y \coloneqq \pi_1[S] \cup \pi_2[S]$ where π_i is an α -computable projection and $S \coloneqq \{(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B : (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1} \land p(\hat{a}, \hat{b})$

The set S is α -computable from the parameters q_{in} , a, p and W_{s+1} using the uniform α -computability of the set B_o from the parameters q_{in} , a and W_{s+1} . S is bounded as $S \subseteq W_{s+1}$. Hence S is α -finite. As π_i is α -computable, so $\pi_i[S] \in L_\alpha$, hence $Y \in L_\alpha$. The uniform α -computability of Y follows from the uniform α -computability of S.

Lemma 6.1.34. The α -rationals $q_{out}(a)$ and $q_{out}(b)$ defined in the function *strat-egy_run* are computed in a uniform way, exist and are α -finite given that q_{in} is α -finite.

Proof. The statement is clear for the assignments on the lines 5, 8 and 21 as $\theta < \alpha$.

The assignments on the lines 26 and 33 use the function $\sup_Q(S)$. The function $\sup_Q(S)$ can compute using the same algorithm for any arguments Q and S where Q contains all the α -rationals of the same order type $\delta = \theta + 1$ and $\operatorname{ot}[S] \subseteq \delta$, see proposition 5.4.6. Hence an α -rational $\sup_Q(S)$ is computed in a uniform way.

Furthermore $S \in \{B_o, q_{in}[Y]\}$ and both B_o and Y are α -computable uniformly from the parameters q_{in} , a, p and W_{s+1} . Hence $q_{in}(a) := \sup_{\hat{Q}}(S)$ is computed uniformly from q_{in} , a, p, W_{s+1} and δ .

The α -finiteness of $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \sup_{\hat{Q}}(S)$ where $S \in \{B_o, q_{in}[Y]\}$ follows from the fact that the set \hat{Q} contains only α -finite α -rationals.

By lemma 6.1.31, the set B_o is α -finite. By lemma 6.1.33, the set Y is α -finite. As q_{in} is also α -finite by the assumption, so $q_{in}[Y]$ is α -finite. Hence S is α -finite and by proposition 5.4.6 the α -rational $q_{in}(a) \coloneqq \sup_{\hat{Q}}(S)$ exists, i.e. is well-(first-order)-defined. By duality $q_{in}(b) \coloneqq \inf_{\hat{Q}}(S_b)$ also exists for an appropriate S_b .

In the end q_{in} is copied to q_{out} . Therefore $q_{out}(a) \in L_{\alpha}$ and $q_{out}(b) \in L_{\alpha}$ as required.

Lemma 6.1.35. If the input function q_{in} is α -finite, then the output function

$$q_{\texttt{out}} \coloneqq strategy_run(q_{\texttt{in}}, W_{s+1}, s, p)$$

is also α -finite.

Proof. The function q_{out} is different from the α -finite function q_{in} on at most two labels in the label pair (a, b) of a priority p. By lemma 6.1.34 $q_{out}(a)$ and $q_{out}(b)$ have to be α -finite if changed. This change is α -finite and so q_{out} has to be α -finite too.

Remark 6.1.36. (Object types²)

Let M be the domain of some model. Then an element in M is a type-0 object. A function from M to M is a type-1 object. A function from M^M to M^M is a type-2 object (called a functional), etc.

In α -Computability Theory, the domain M of the model of the computation is α . For the purpose of this thesis we also consider a composition of a type-1 object with an α -computable bijection from/to α (e.g. $\alpha \rightarrow L_{\alpha}, \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \times \alpha$) to be a type-1 object. We do this since ultimately we are interested in assessing if a function is first-order definable over L_{α} and at what level of the arithmetical hierarchy.

²Consult a general book on Computability Theory, e.g. for a general idea see [5] Chapter 11, subsection The Scott model for lambda calculus.

Remark 6.1.37. (Type of the strategy run function)

We assume that the argument q_{in} to the function *label_clearing* which clears out the labels from the dead zone is always α -finite by IH, proposition 6.2.3iv. By lemma 6.1.35, the output of the function *label_clearing* has to be also α -finite. Therefore we can express the function with the type as

 $label_clearing: L_{\alpha} \times L_{\alpha} \times \alpha \times \alpha \times \alpha \to L_{\alpha}.$

Hence *label_clearing* is clearly a type-1 function.

Proposition 6.1.38. The procedure *move_label_a* is α -computable.

Proof. The procedure *move_label_a* is α -computable since:

- B_o is α -finite by lemma 6.1.31,
- W_{s+1} is α -finite,
- p is α -computable by lemma 6.1.11,
- Z is α -finite and uniformly α -computable by lemma 6.1.32,
- the instructions on the lines 26 and 33 are α-computable (by the uniformity of sup_Q(S) and S), an α-rational q_{in}(a) is well-defined and α-finite by lemma 6.1.34.

Proposition 6.1.39. The function *strategy_run* is α -computable.

Proof. By remark 6.1.37 the function *label_clearing* is a type-1 function, so it makes sense to talk about it being first-order definable over L_{α} . The function *strategy_run* is α -computable since:

- q_{in} is α -finite by IH proposition 6.2.3iv,
- p^{-1} is α -computable by lemma 6.1.11,
- ot is α -computable by lemma 6.1.26,
- B_o is α -finite and uniformly α -computable by lemma 6.1.31,
- the procedures *move_label_a* and *move_label_b* are α -computable by proposition 6.1.38 and its dual.

Next strategy runs

If $q_{out}(a) < q_{out}(b)$, then the strategy for (a, b) has satisfied its condition and never runs again. Otherwise it runs again later and prevents the strategies of lower priorities from placing labels in the interval $[q_{out}(b), q_{out}(a)]$ until the condition becomes satisfied (if that happens). We say the interval is marked as a *dead zone*.

6.1.6 Label clearing from DZ for a pair (a, b)

If $q_{in}(b) < q_{in}(a)$ and $(a, b) \in W$, then the interval $[q_{in}(b), q_{in}(a)]$ is a dead zone (DZ). See definition 6.1.13.

After the strategy run (s, p) for the pair (a, b) concludes, we would like to move labels out of the DZ interval $[q_{in}(b), q_{in}(a)]$ as much as possible. Let M be the set of labels in the maximum interval that contains the DZ $[q_{in}(b), q_{in}(a)]$ and other higher priority DZs connected to it.

See section 6.1.3 to recall that the sequence $q_{s,p,u}$ for $u \leq s + 1$ is used to construct $q_{s,p+1}$ after the strategy run (s,p) concludes and outputs $q_{s,p,-1}$. Also recall that $q_{s,p,v} := \lim_{u < v} q_{s,p,u}$.

Let $u < \alpha$ where $0 \le u \le s$. We construct the function $q_{s,p,u+1}$ given the function $q_{s,p,u}$. For every u < s starting from 0 do the following in order: If p = u, then do nothing, i.e. $q_{s,p,u+1} \coloneqq q_{s,p,u}$. Otherwise let $(c, d) \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ be a pair of the priority u, i.e. p(c, d) = u. Let η be the order type $\eta \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(s, p, u)$. If $q_{s,p,u}(b) < q_{s,p,u}(c) < q_{s,p,u}(a)$ and it is consistent to move c left of M, then move c to the left of M to an α -rational ρ_c of an order type η , i.e. define $q_{s,p,u+1}(c) \coloneqq \rho_c$. If $q_{s,p,u}(b) < q_{s,p,u}(d) < q_{s,p,u}(a)$ and it is consistent to move d right of M, then move d to the right of M to an α -rational ρ_d of an order type $\eta + 1$, i.e. define $q_{s,p,u+1}(d) \coloneqq \rho_d$. If $q_{s,p,u+1}(e)$ has not been defined for a label $e \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{s,p,u})$, let $q_{s,p,u+1}(e) \coloneqq q_{s,p,u}(e)$.

Pseudocode

The function *label_clearing* takes as an input the labelling function $q_{in} \coloneqq q_{s,p,u}$ and the output is assigned to the function $q_{s,p,u+1}$.

1: function $label_clearing(q_{in}, W_{s+1}, s, p, u)$

Require: $q_{in} \in L_{\alpha}$ by IH

- 2: $(a,b) \coloneqq \mathbf{p}^{-1}(p)$
- 3: **if** $q_{in}(a) < q_{in}(b) \lor (a, b) \notin W_{s+1} \lor p = u$ then
- 4: return q_{in}
- 5: **end if**
- 6: $(c,d) \coloneqq \mathbf{p}^{-1}(u)$

 $\eta \coloneqq \mathsf{ot}(s, p, u)$ 7: if $q_{in}(b) < q_{in}(c) < q_{in}(a) \land \forall \hat{b} \in \alpha_B \cap M.(c, \hat{b}) \in W_{s+1}$ then 8: $Q_c \coloneqq \{\rho \in Q_\alpha \cap L_\alpha : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \eta\}$ 9: $\rho_c \coloneqq \inf_{O_c}(q_{in}[M])$ 10: $q_{\texttt{in}}(c) \coloneqq \rho_c$ 11: end if 12: if $q_{in}(b) < q_{in}(d) < q_{in}(a) \land \forall \hat{a} \in \alpha_A \cap M.(\hat{a}, d) \in W_{s+1}$ then 13: $Q_d \coloneqq \{\rho \in Q_\alpha \cap L_\alpha : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \eta + 1\}$ 14: $\rho_d \coloneqq \sup_{Q_d}(q_{\texttt{in}}[M])$ 15: $q_{\texttt{in}}(d) \coloneqq \rho_d$ 16: end if 17: return q_{in} 18: 19: end function

Properties

We assume the hypothesis that the input function q_{in} is α -finite.

Lemma 6.1.40. The set M of the labels in the maximal interval extending the dead zone $[q_{in}(b), q_{in}(a)]$ is α -finite and uniformly α -computable from the parameters a, b and W_{s+1} .

Proof. Define

$$\mathcal{I} \coloneqq \{ [q_{in}(c), q_{in}(d)] : (c, d) \in W_{s+1} \land p(c, d) \le p(a, b) \}$$

to be the set of the DZs of the priority p(a, b) or higher. Clearly, \mathcal{I} is uniformly α -computable from W_{s+1} , a, b as p is α -computable (lemma 6.1.11). The set \mathcal{I} is α -finite as it is bounded up to α -computable encoding by W_{s+1} and $W_{s+1} \in L_{\alpha}$.

Recall definition 6.1.15: $conn(\rho, \sigma, \mathcal{I})$ iff ρ and σ are connected through \mathcal{I} . So we have

$$M \coloneqq \{ e \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{\operatorname{in}}) : \operatorname{conn}(q_{\operatorname{in}}(a), q_{\operatorname{in}}(e), \mathcal{I}) \}.$$

The set M is uniformly α -computable from a, b and W_{s+1} since:

- \mathcal{I} is α -finite,
- \mathcal{I} is uniformly α -computable from a, b and W_{s+1} ,
- conn is α -computable on the domain where \mathcal{I} is α -finite (lemma 6.1.18).

Finally M is α -finite since it is α -computable and bounded by $\operatorname{dom}(q_{in}) \in L_{\alpha}$ assuming the hypothesis that q_{in} is α -finite.

Thus M is α -finite and uniformly α -computable from a, b and W_{s+1} as required.

Lemma 6.1.41. The α -rationals ρ_c and ρ_d defined in the function

label_clearing are computed in a uniform way, exist and are α -finite given that q_{in} is α -finite.

Proof. The functions $\inf_Q(S)$ and $\sup_Q(S)$ can compute using the same algorithm for any arguments Q and S where Q contains all the α -rationals of the same order type δ and $\operatorname{ot}[S] \subseteq \delta$, see proposition 5.4.6. Furthermore, $S = q_{\operatorname{in}}[M]$ is uniformly α -computable since M is uniformly α -computable by lemma 6.1.40. Hence the α -rationals ρ_c and ρ_d are computed in a uniform way.

The α -finiteness of ρ_c and ρ_d follows from the fact that Q_c and Q_d contain only α -finite α -rationals.

By lemma 6.1.40, the set M is α -finite. Hence $q_{in}[M]$ has to be α -finite. By proposition 5.4.6 $\rho_c := \inf_{Q_c}(q_{in}[M])$ exists, i.e. is well-(first-order)-defined. By duality $\rho_d := \sup_{Q_d}(q_{in}[M])$ exists too.

Therefore $\rho_c \in L_{\alpha}$ and $\rho_d \in L_{\alpha}$ as required.

Lemma 6.1.42. If the input function q_{in} is α -finite, then the output function

$$q_{\texttt{out}} \coloneqq label_clearing(q_{\texttt{in}}, W_{s+1}, s, p, u)$$

is also α -finite.

Proof. The function q_{out} is different from the α -finite function q_{in} on at most two labels in the label pair (c, d) of a priority u. By lemma 6.1.41 $q_{out}(c)$ and $q_{out}(d)$ have to be α -finite if changed. This change is α -finite and so q_{out} has to be α -finite too.

Remark 6.1.43. (Type of the label clearing function)

We assume that the argument q_{in} to the function *label_clearing* is always α -finite. By lemma 6.1.42, the output of the function *label_clearing* has to be also α -finite. Therefore we can express the function with the type as

 $label_clearing: L_{\alpha} \times L_{\alpha} \times \alpha \times \alpha \times \alpha \to L_{\alpha}.$

Hence *label_clearing* is clearly a type-1 function.

Proposition 6.1.44. The function *label_clearing* is α -computable.

Proof. By remark 6.1.43 the function *label_clearing* is a type-1 function, so it makes sense to talk about it being first-order definable over L_{α} . The function *label_clearing* is α -computable since:

- q_{in} is α -finite by IH proposition 6.2.3iv,
- p^{-1} is α -computable by lemma 6.1.11,
- ot is α -computable by lemma 6.1.26,

- M is α -finite and uniformly α -computable by lemma 6.1.40,
- instructions on the lines 10 and 15 are α-computable (by the uniformity of inf_Q(S), sup_Q(S) and S) and the α-rationals ρ_c and ρ_d are well-defined and α-finite by lemma 6.1.41.

6.1.7 Limit labelling function

We define a function q_{δ} where $\delta = (t, r, v)$ is a limit triple.

The main idea in defining q_{δ} is that if some label $c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ stops moving at some triple stage $\gamma < \delta$, then $q_{\delta}(c) \coloneqq q_{\gamma}(c)$. Otherwise, the label c keeps moving and so it converges to some α -real point which is close to some α -rational ρ of an order type $\operatorname{otLim}(\delta)$, see definition 6.1.25. However, there could be more labels that converge to the same α -real point. In such case, put the labels from α_A on the right of ρ and the labels from α_B on the left of ρ . This is to make sure that $q_{\delta}(b) < q_{\delta}(a)$ if still $(a, b) \notin W_h$ where h = t if $\lim(t)$ and h = t + 1 otherwise. The idea is made precise and formal as follows.

Definition 6.1.45. (Limit of a labelling function)

Given a sequence of the labelling functions q_{γ} for a triple $\gamma < \delta$, we define the limit of this sequence as a function $q_{\delta} := \lim_{\gamma < \delta} q_{\gamma}$ as follows:

- Let $S(c) := \{q_{\gamma}(c) \in Q_{\alpha} : q_{\gamma}(c) \downarrow \land \gamma < \delta\} = \{\sigma \in Q_{\alpha} : \exists \gamma < \delta \exists c \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{\gamma}).q_{\gamma}(c) = \sigma\}.$
- Let $\hat{Q} \coloneqq \{ \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \operatorname{otLim}(\delta) \}.$
- $q_{\delta}(c) \coloneqq q_{\gamma}(c)$ for $c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ if

$$\exists \beta < \delta \forall \gamma [\beta \le \gamma < \delta \implies q_{\beta}(c) = q_{\gamma}(c)].$$

Otherwise:

• $q_{\delta}(a) \coloneqq \max\{\rho \in Q_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \operatorname{otLim}(\delta) \land \forall \gamma < \delta.\rho \le q_{\gamma}(c)\} \cdot \triangleright^{k} = \sup_{\hat{O}}(S(a)) \cdot \triangleright^{k} \text{ if } a \in \alpha_{A} \text{ where}$

$$k \coloneqq \min\{k < t : \exists b \in \alpha_B . \mathbf{p}(a, b) = k\} = \min\{k < t : \exists x \in W_h[\mathbf{p}(x) = k \land \pi_1(x) = a]\}$$

and π_1 is a projection to the first coordinate,

• $q_{\delta}(b) \coloneqq \min\{\rho \in Q_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \operatorname{otLim}(\delta) \land \forall \gamma < \delta.q_{\gamma}(b) \le \rho\} \cdot \triangleleft^{l} = \inf_{\hat{O}}(S(b)) \cdot \triangleleft^{l} \text{ if } b \in \alpha_{B} \text{ where}$

$$l \coloneqq \min\{l < t : \exists a \in \alpha_A . \mathbf{p}(a, b) = l\} = \min\{l < t : \exists x \in W_h[\mathbf{p}(x) = l \land \pi_2(x) = b]\}$$

and π_2 is a projection to the second coordinate.

Properties

Lemma 6.1.46. (Uniform α -computability of the indices k and l) Let $(a, b) = p^{-1}(t)$.

- The index k is uniformly α -computable from a and W_h .
- The index l is uniformly α -computable from b and W_h .

Proof. The index k is uniformly α -computable from the parameters a and W_h as it is well-defined for a label a by the following formula:

$$\phi(a,k) := \exists x \in W_h[\mathbf{p}(x) = k \land \pi_1(x) = a] \land$$
$$\forall s < k \forall x \in W_h[\mathbf{p}(x) < k \implies \pi_1(x) \neq a]$$

which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as W_h is α -finite and both p and π_1 are α -computable.

The uniform α -computability of the index l follows by a dual argument. \Box

Lemma 6.1.47. Let γ be any triple. Let δ be a limit triple. Then:

- i) ot[Im (q_{γ})] \subseteq ot (γ) ,
- ii) ot[$\bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} \operatorname{Im}(q_{\gamma})$] $\subseteq \operatorname{otLim}(\delta)$.

Proof. The statement i follows directly from the design of the labelling algorithm - to construct q_{γ} the algorithm places labels only on the α -rationals of an order type less than $ot(\gamma)$. In particular, this is follows from the proof by induction using the following four observations:

• The strategy run (s, p) moves the labels to the order type

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{ot}}(s,p,-1)+1 < \operatorname{\mathsf{ot}}(s,p,0)$$

at most to construct the labelling function $q_{s,p,0}$: see the function *strag-egy_run* lines 2, 5, 8; its subroutine *move_label_a* lines 21, 24, 26, 33 and its subroutine *move_label_b* lines 3, 6, 8, 15.

- The label clearing which constructs the function q_{s,p,u+1} moves the labels to the order type ot(s, p, u) + 1 < ot(s, p, u + 1) at most: see the function label_clearing lines 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16.
- otLim(δ) ≔ sup{ot(γ) : γ < δ} and ot(δ) = otLim(δ) · 2 by definition 6.1.25.
- The limit labelling function q_δ moves the labels to the order type ot(δ) = otLim(δ) · 2 at most by definition 6.1.45.

To see the statement ii, use the statement i and definition 6.1.25 to observe respectively that

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{ot}[\bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} \operatorname{Im}(q_{\gamma})] \subseteq \sup\{\operatorname{ot}(\gamma) : \gamma < \delta\}, \\ & \operatorname{otLim}(\delta) \coloneqq \sup\{\operatorname{ot}(\gamma) : \gamma < \delta\}, \end{split}$$

which implies $\operatorname{ot}[\bigcup_{\gamma < \delta} \operatorname{Im}(q_{\gamma})] \subseteq \operatorname{otLim}(\delta)$ as required.

Lemma 6.1.48. S(c) is bounded in the order type:

$$\forall c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \forall \gamma < \delta[c \in \operatorname{dom}(q_\gamma) \implies \operatorname{ot}(q_\gamma(c)) < \operatorname{otLim}(\delta)].$$

Proof. Follows from lemma 6.1.47.

For the remaining statements in this subsection we assume hypothesis 6.1.49 below. This is in fact the induction hypothesis for the proof of proposition 6.2.3v. The statements below are used to prove the inductive cases of the statements in proposition 6.2.3 assuming this IH.

Hypothesis 6.1.49. The function $q = \lambda \gamma c.q_{\gamma}(c)$ is a partial α -computable function with the domain $\{(\gamma, c) : \gamma < \delta \land c \in \text{dom}(q_{\gamma})\}$.

Fact 6.1.50. Hypothesis 6.1.49 implies that S(c) is uniformly α -computable from the parameters c and δ .

Lemma 6.1.51. (Uniform α -computability of an α -rational $q_{\delta}(c)$) Let $(a, b) = p^{-1}(t)$. Assume hypothesis 6.1.49 about $q = \lambda \gamma c.q_{\gamma}(c)$. Then:

- $q_{\delta}(a)$ is α -finite and uniformly α -computable from δ , a and W_h .
- $q_{\delta}(b)$ is α -finite and uniformly α -computable from δ , b and W_h .

Proof. Note $q_{\delta}(a) := \inf_{\hat{Q}}(S(a)) \cdot \triangleright^k$. By lemma 6.1.48, the set S(a) is bounded in order type, i.e. $\operatorname{ot}[S(a)] \subseteq \operatorname{otLim}(\delta)$. By hypothesis 6.1.49 and fact 6.1.50, S(a) is α -computable. Thus S(a) is α -finite. So the α -rational $\inf_{\hat{Q}}(S(a))$ exists and is uniformly α -computable from S(a) and δ by proposition 5.4.6 and by the α -computability of otLim (lemma 6.1.26). The index k is uniformly α computable from a and W_h by lemma 6.1.46. Hence $q_{\delta}(a)$ exists and is uniformly α -computable from S(a), δ , a and W_h . But S(a) is uniformly α -computable from a and δ by hypothesis 6.1.49 and fact 6.1.50. Hence $q_{\delta}(a)$ is uniformly α computable from a, δ and W_h . Moreover $\inf_{\hat{Q}}(S) \in L_{\alpha}$ as $\hat{Q} \subseteq L_{\alpha}$. Hence as $k < \alpha$, so $q_{\delta}(a) \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$.

The α -finiteness and the uniform α -computability of $q_{\delta}(b)$ follows by a dual argument.

Proposition 6.1.52. (α -computability of $q = \lambda \gamma c.q_{\gamma}(c)$ for $\gamma \leq \delta$) Assume hypothesis 6.1.49 about $q = \lambda \gamma c.q_{\gamma}(c)$. Then q_{δ} is α -computable and q is α -computable on the domain where $\gamma \leq \delta$ and $c \in \text{dom}(q_{\gamma})$.

Proof. Define $\hat{Q} := \{ \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \operatorname{ot}(\rho) = \operatorname{otLim}(\delta) \}$. Note that S(c) is uniformly α -computable from the parameters c and δ by hypothesis 6.1.49 and fact 6.1.50. Also S(c) is bounded as all α -rationals within are bounded in order type by $\operatorname{otLim}(\delta) < \alpha$ by lemma 6.1.48. Thus S(c) is α -finite and we have a type-1 α -computable function $c \mapsto S(c)$ mapping a label $c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B$ to its set S(c)defined above. Similarly, we have α -computable functions $k : \alpha_A \cap \operatorname{dom}(q_{\delta}) \to h$ and $l : \alpha_B \cap \operatorname{dom}(q_{\delta}) \to h$ defined by the $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ formula $\phi(a, k)$ and its dual above in lemma 6.1.46. Note that the function $\inf_Q : \alpha \to \alpha$ taking an index of an α -finite set and returning an index of an α -finite rational is α -computable by proposition 5.4.5. Dually, the function $\sup_Q : \alpha \to \alpha$ is also α -computable. Using these functions express the function $q_{\delta} = q_{t,r,v}$ as follows:

$$q_{t,r,v}(c) = \begin{cases} q_{\beta}(c) & \exists \beta < \delta \forall \gamma < \delta[\beta \le \gamma \implies q_{\beta}(c) = q_{\gamma}(c)] \\ \inf_{\hat{Q}}(S(c)) \cdot \triangleright^{k(c)} & c \in \alpha_A \\ \sup_{\hat{Q}}(S(c)) \cdot \triangleleft^{l(c)} & c \in \alpha_B \end{cases}$$

From this definition we see that q_{δ} is α -computable by hypothesis 6.1.49 on q and the α -computability of the functions S, k, l, \inf_Q, \sup_Q and otLim (lemma 6.1.26) whose index (or program) is α -computable from the triple $\delta = (t, r, v)$. Note that

$$\forall c \in \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B.q(t, r, v, c) = q_{t,r,v}(c).$$

Therefore q can compute the output for any input (γ, c) where $\gamma \leq \delta$ and $c \in \text{dom}(q_{\gamma})$ as required.

6.2 **Proof and verification**

First we establish some properties and lemmas about the constructed labelling sequence $q = \{q_s\}_{s < \alpha}$. Next we define a semicomputable cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha}$ using the constructed sequence q. Finally we complete the proof of lemma 6.1.1 and Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem 6.0.1 using such cut C.

6.2.1 Labelling function properties

Remark 6.2.1. (Domain of the labelling function)

- dom $(q_s) = \{(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B : \mathbf{p}(a, b) < s\} = \mathbf{p}^{-1}[s],$
- dom $(q_{s,p}) = \{(a,b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B : \mathbf{p}(a,b) < \max(s,p)\} = \mathbf{p}^{-1}(\max(s,p)),$

• dom $(q_{s,p,u})$ = { $(a,b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B : u = -1 \wedge p(a,b) < s \lor u \ge 0 \wedge p(a,b) < \max(s,p)$ } = { $(a,b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B : p(a,b) < \max(s,p+\min(u,0))$ } = $p^{-1}[\max(s,p+\min(u,0))].$

Lemma 6.2.2. (α -finiteness of the domain of the labelling function)

The set dom $(q_{s,p,u})$ is α -finite for any triple (s, p, u) for which $q_{s,p,u}$ is defined, i.e.

$$0 \le s < \alpha, 0 \le p \le s+1, -1 \le u \le s+1.$$

Proof. The domain of $q_{s,p,u}$ is given explicitly in remark 6.2.1 above as $dom(q_{s,p,u}) = p^{-1}[t]$ for $t = max(s, p + min(u, 0)) < \alpha$. As t is an α -finite set, α admissible and p α -computable, so $dom(q_{s,p,u})$ has to be α -finite as required. \Box

Proposition 6.2.3. (Properties of the labelling function)

For any triple (s, p, u) for which $q_{s,p,u}$ is defined, the partial labelling function $q_{s,p,u} : \alpha_A \times \alpha_B \rightharpoonup Q_\alpha$ satisfies the following conditions:

- i) $q_{s,p,u}$ is well-defined on its domain (explicitly given in remark 6.2.1),
- ii) $\operatorname{Im}(q_{s,p,u}) \subseteq L_{\alpha}$,
- iii) $q_{s,p,u}$ is a type-1 function,
- iv) $q_{s,p,u} \in L_{\alpha}$,
- v) The function

 $q: \alpha \times \alpha \times (\{-1\} \cup \alpha) \times (\alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B) \rightharpoonup Q_\alpha$

defined using the λ -term as $q \coloneqq \lambda spuc.q_{s,p,u}(c)$ is α -computable.

Proof. (Of proposition 6.2.3)

$q_{s,p,u}$ as a type-1 function - property iii

In order to be able to talk about the α -computability and α -finiteness of the labelling function $q_{s,p,u}$, we need that it is a type-1 function, i.e. both its domain and codomain is a type-1 object, i.e. a subset of α up to the α -computable coding. The domain of $q_{s,p,u}$ is α -finite by lemma 6.2.2, so dom $(q_{s,p,u}) \subseteq \alpha$ as required. The codomain of the function $q_{s,p,u}$ is α -rationals Q_{α} . Q_{α} coincides with L_{α} (which is just α up to α -computable coding) for an infinite regular cardinal α , but in other cases, $Q_{\alpha} \supset L_{\alpha}$. For example, Kleene's $\mathcal{O} \in Q_{\omega_1^{CK}}$, but $\mathcal{O} \notin L_{\omega_1^{CK}}$. However, the statement ii) states that $\operatorname{Im}(q_{s,p,u}) \subseteq L_{\alpha}$. Hence we can impose implicitly codomain $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} = L_{\alpha}$ on the labelling function $q_{s,p,u}$ to make it type-1. Therefore whenever the statement ii) holds for $q_{s,p,u}$, so does the statement iii).

Induction and base case - properties i, ii, iv, v

The rest of the proof is done by an induction on the triple (s, p, u). For the base case, when (s, p, u) is the first initial triple (0, 0, -1), then $q_{0,0,-1} = \emptyset$. Hence trivially all conditions i) - iv) are satisfied.

For the inductive case, we have to prove that the properties hold at strategy, clearing and limit triples. We do not need to prove that the properties hold at initial triples because every initial triple is equivalent to clearing, limit or the first initial triple. See definition 6.1.21.

The function $q = \lambda spc.q_{s,p,u}(c)$ under the statement v) is α -computable as it is given by an algorithm consisting of the strategies (section 6.1.5), label clearing (section 6.1.6) and the limit function construction (section 6.1.7) which do not use any oracle, but only an α -finite part of the α -computably enumerable set W for particular values of s, p, u and c. We clarify by induction that q indeed computes the value $q_{s,p,u}(c)$ for any label $c \in \text{dom}(q_{s,p,u})$ assuming that q computes the values for all predecessor triples (s', p', u') < (s, p, u).

Inductive case for a strategy triple - properties i, ii

Assume that (s, p, 0) is a strategy triple. The predecessor of (s, p, 0) is the initial triple (s, p, -1). By IH, let the statements i) and ii) hold for the labelling function $q_{s,p,-1}$. We have to show that they hold for the labelling function $q_{s,p,0}$. The labelling function $q_{s,p,0}$ is constructed by a strategy run (s, p) on the input function $q_{s,p,-1}$. This strategy run is associated with some pair of labels, say $(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$. Only these two labels a and b can be moved by the strategy run (s, p).

Hence by IH $q_{s,p,0}$ is well-defined on dom $(q_{s,p,0}) - \{a, b\}$ and Im $(q_{s,p,0} - \{a, b\}) \subseteq L_{\alpha}$. Thus we need to show that $q_{s,p,0}$ is well-defined on a and b to conclude i) and that $q_{s,p,0}(a) \in L_{\alpha}$ and $q_{s,p,0}(b) \in L_{\alpha}$ to conclude ii). In other words, we have to show that for every strategy run for the pair (a, b) there exist α -rationals onto which the labels a and b can be placed and that these α -rationals are α -finite and satisfy the required conditions mentioned in section 6.1.5. By this follows from lemma 6.1.34 and IH property iv) that $q_{in} = q_{s,p,-1} \in L_{\alpha}$.

Hence the conditions i) and ii) hold for the labelling function $q_{s,p,0}$.

Inductive case for a clearing triple - properties i, ii

Let (s, p, u + 1) be a clearing triple. Let p(c, d) = u. By IH $q_{s,p,u}$ is well-defined on its domain and $\text{Im}(q_{s,p,u}) \subseteq L_{\alpha}$. Note that $q_{s,p,u+1}$ can be different from $q_{s,p,u}$ on at most two labels c and d. In particular $q_{s,p,u+1}(c) \in \{q_{s,p,u}(c), \rho_c\}$ and $q_{s,p,u+1}(d) \in \{q_{s,p,u}(c), \rho_d\}$ where ρ_c and ρ_d are well-defined α -finite α -rationals by lemma 6.1.41 and α -finiteness of $q_{s,p,u}$ (IH property iv)). Hence the properties i) and ii) hold for the labelling function $q_{s,p,u+1}$ as required.

Inductive case for a strategy triple - property iv

Let (s, p, 0) be a strategy triple. By IH $q_{s,p,-1}$ is α -finite. But $q_{s,p,0}$ is different from $q_{s,p,-1}$ on at most two labels a and b since every strategy run can move only two labels. Hence the strategy run (s, p) can make at most only an α -finite change to $q_{in} = q_{s,p,-1}$ and so $q_{out} = q_{s,p,0}$ has to be α -finite too. Hence the property iv) holds for the function $q_{s,p,0}$ as required.

Inductive case for a clearing triple - property iv

Let (s, p, u + 1) be a clearing triple. By IH the function $q_{s,p,u}$ is α -finite. The function $q_{s,p,u+1}$ is different from $q_{s,p,u}$ on at most one label pair (the one of a priority u), see section 6.1.6. As this is an α -finite change, $q_{s,p,u+1}$ has to be α -finite too.

Inductive case for a strategy triple - property v

Let (s, p, 0) be a strategy triple. By IH assume that $q = \lambda spuc.q_{s,p,u}(c)$ can compute the output for any input tuple (s', p', u', c) where (s', p', u') < (s, p, 0) and $c \in \text{dom}(q_{s',p',u'})$.

By the α -finiteness of $q_{in} = q_{s,p,-1}$ (IH property iv)) and by proposition 6.1.39 all the instructions for a strategy run (s, p) for some pair $(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ are *uni*formly α -computable from q_{in} , W_{s+1} , s and p. Hence q can compute the output for an input tuple (s, p, 0, c) where $c \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ is any label in the domain dom $(q_{s,p,0})$. Therefore the property v) on q holds at the strategy triple (s, p, 0) as required.

Inductive case for a clearing triple - property v

Let (s, p, u + 1) be a clearing triple. By IH assume that $q = \lambda spuc.q_{s,p,u}(c)$ can compute the output for any input tuple (s', p', u', c) where (s', p', u') < (s, p, u+1) and $c \in \text{dom}(q_{s',p',u'})$.

By the α -finiteness of $q_{in} = q_{s,p,u}$ (IH property iv)) and by proposition 6.1.44 all the instructions for label clearing are *uniformly* α -computable from q_{in} , W_{s+1} , s, p and u. Hence q can compute the output for an input tuple (s, p, u+1, c) where $c \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ is any label in the domain dom $(q_{s,p,u+1})$. Therefore the property v) on q holds at the clearing triple (s, p, u+1) as required.

Inductive case for a limit triple - properties i, ii, v

Let $\delta = (t, r, v)$ be a limit triple. Let

$$S(c) \coloneqq \{q_{\gamma}(c) \in Q_{\alpha} : q_{\gamma}(c) \downarrow \land \gamma < \delta\}$$
$$= \{\sigma \in Q_{\alpha} : \exists \gamma < \delta \exists c \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{\gamma}).q_{\gamma}(c) = \sigma\}.$$

By IH property v) the function $q = \lambda \gamma c.q_{\gamma}(c)$ is α -computable on the domain where $\gamma < \delta$ and $c \in \text{dom}(q_{\gamma})$. Hence hypothesis 6.1.49 is true.

By hypothesis 6.1.49 and lemma 6.1.51 $q_{\delta}(c)$ is α -finite and well-defined for any $c \in \{a, b\}$ where p(a, b) < t. Therefore the labelling function $q_{\delta} : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \to Q_{\alpha}$ is well-defined on its domain and $\text{Im}(q_{\delta}) \subseteq L_{\alpha}$. Hence i) and ii) hold for $q_{\delta} = q_{t,r,v}$ as required.

By hypothesis 6.1.49, IH property v) and proposition 6.1.52, the function $q = \lambda \gamma c.q_{\gamma}(c)$ is α -computable on the domain where $\gamma \leq \delta$ and $c \in \text{dom}(q_{\gamma})$. Therefore the property v) holds for q at the limit triple $\delta = (t, r, v)$ as required.

Inductive case for a limit triple - property iv

Let (t, r, v) be a limit triple. Note that $q_{t,r,v} = \lambda c.q(t, r, v, c)$. So the labelling function $q_{t,r,v}$ is α -computable since $\lambda c.q(t, r, c)$ is α -computable by the property v) proved above. Furthermore dom $(q_{t,r,v}) \in L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 6.2.2. Hence $q_{t,r,v} \in L_{\alpha}$ by proposition 3.2.14 and thus the property iv) holds for the limit triple (t, r, v).

This completes the proof of proposition 6.2.3.

Lemma 6.2.4. (Consistency of the labelling function)

For any triple γ , the labelling function q_{γ} is consistent:

$$\forall (a,b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B[q_\gamma(a) < q_\gamma(b) \implies (a,b) \in W].$$

Proof. This follows directly from the labelling function construction in sections 6.1.5 to 6.1.7.

Lemma 6.2.5. (Monotonicity of the label movement)

- $\forall s, t < \alpha \forall a \in \alpha_A [s \le t \implies q_s(a) \ge q_t(a)]$
- $\forall s, t < \alpha \forall b \in \alpha_B[s \le t \implies q_s(b) \le q_t(b)]$

Proof. For the label $a \in \alpha_A$, if some strategy moves, then only more left on the α -rational line Q_{α} . For the limit construction, the label a is moved to a generalized infimum of the sequence $q_s(a)$. This is also to the left as required.
6.2.2 Strategy termination

Lemma 6.2.6. (Strategy termination)

Every (a, b)-strategy stops acting within α -finite time.

Proof. If $(a, b) \notin W$, then the strategy never acts. If there ever exists a stage t s.t. $q_t(a) < q_t(b)$, then the strategy does not act again by lemma 6.2.5. Hence let s be large enough that $(a, b) \in W_s$ and by induction all strategies of a higher priority have stopped acting, yet $q_s(b) < q_s(a)$.

The only way that the (a, b)-strategy could act is that it would move either the label a or the label b. The cases for moving the label b are symmetric to moving the label a, hence let us consider only the case that the label a may be moved.

Let B_o be the set of obstacles for the label a. If the (a, b)-strategy acts and B_o ever gets empty, then it will move a to the left of all labels and afterwards $q_{s+1}(b) < q_{s+1}(a)$ and the strategy will never act again.

So suppose that $B_o \neq \emptyset$.

If $q_s(a)$ is inside an interval protected by higher priority dead zones, then it cannot be moved and will not be moved since the higher priority strategies have stopped acting.

If $q_s(a)$ is adjacent to the right endpoint of the maximal set Y that contains some label $b_o \in B_o$ and every other label in B_o that is right of b_o where the interval is protected by higher priority strategies, then $q_s(a)$ will not be moved again since the maximal set will not shrink as all higher priority strategies have stopped acting and nothing will be placed between the right endpoint and the label $q_s(a)$ since the (a, b)-strategy will protect the interval $[q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ from lower priority strategies placing the label inside.

Hence the only way that the (a, b)-strategy could act is that it would place a adjacent to B_o from the right. Therefore B_o , the set of obstacles for a, has to be shrinking and the label a advancing more towards left.

Define

 $B_{o'} \coloneqq \{b_o \in \alpha_B : b_o \in \operatorname{dom}(q_s) \land q_s(b_o) \in [q_s(b), q_s(a)] \land (a, b_o) \notin W_{s+1}\}$

to be the set of the obstacles to a that are in the dead zone. Note that as dom (q_s) is α -finite by lemma 6.2.2, so $B_{o'}$ is bounded by some $t < \alpha$, i.e. $B_{o'} \subseteq t \in \alpha_B$. Hence if the strategy (a, b) continues acting, $B_{o'}$ gets emptied by the stage t, then $q_t(a) < q_t(b)$ and the strategy does not act again.

Therefore by the induction on the priority of the pairs $(a, b) \in \alpha_A \times \alpha_B$ all the strategies terminate within an α -finite number of the steps as required.

6.2.3 Dead Zone Lemma

Recall definition 6.1.20: two labels are connected iff they are in a connected union of PDZs.

Lemma 6.2.7. (Dead Zone Lemma)

Assume

$$A \times B \subseteq W \wedge \overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{W} \wedge W \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha).$$

Then

- If a_1 and b_1 are connected, then $a_1 \in A \iff b_1 \notin B$,
- If a_1 and a_2 are connected, then $a_1 \in A \iff a_2 \in A$,
- If b_1 and b_2 are connected, then $b_1 \notin B \iff b_2 \notin B$.

Proof. Let *HPPDZ* abbreviate *higher priority permanent dead zone* and HPPDZs its plural form.

Intersecting dead zones share a label, hence it is sufficient to prove the lemma under the assumptions that the labels a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 are contained in the same PDZ since the conclusion follows by transitivity.

We prove the lemma by induction on the priority of a PDZ. Suppose that a_1, b_1 are in a PDZ $[q_{\alpha}(b), q_{\alpha}(a)]$ declared by the strategy (a, b). Hence $(a, b) \in W$. Redefine the sets

$$A_o \coloneqq \{a_o \in \alpha_A : q_\alpha(b) < q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(a) \land (a_o, b) \notin W\},\$$
$$B_o \coloneqq \{b_o \in \alpha_B : q_\alpha(b) < q_\alpha(b_o) < q_\alpha(a) \land (a, b_o) \notin W\},\$$

where A_o (B_o resp.) is the set of obstacles to b (to a resp.) that are in the PDZ $[q_\alpha(b), q_\alpha(a)]$. The interval $[q_\alpha(b), q_\alpha(a)]$ is a dead zone, hence both $A_o \neq \emptyset$ and $B_o \neq \emptyset$.

Let $\phi(a_1, b_2)$ denote the statement

 $a_1 \in A \iff b_2 \notin B \iff a \in A \iff b \notin B.$

To prove Dead Zone Lemma we show for arbitrary labels $a_1 \in \alpha_A$ and $b_2 \in \alpha_B$ that if $\{q_\alpha(a_1), q_\alpha(b_2)\} \subseteq [q_\alpha(b), q_\alpha(a)]$, then $\phi(a_1, b_2)$.

Unlike for $\alpha = \omega$, in general the leftmost α_A -obstacle to b and the rightmost α_B -obstacle to a may not be defined, i.e. it may be the case that $\min(q_{\alpha}[A_o]) \uparrow \text{ or } \max(q_{\alpha}[B_o]) \uparrow$. Hence we have to reason in general with quantifiers over the obstacle sets. There are 2 cases to consider:

Case 1: $\forall a_o \in A_o \forall b_o \in B_o.q_\alpha(b_o) < q_\alpha(a_o)$

There has to be a HPPDZ interval I_a (possibly an infinite union of HPPDZs) on the left of the label a. Let I_a denote the maximal possible such interval. There cannot be any label between I_a and a. Otherwise (a, b) strategy would have moved the label a to the left of such label not in I_a . The set I_a has to contain at least one B_o obstacle. Otherwise (a, b) strategy would have moved the label a to the right of B_o , i.e. between B_o and A_o .

Similarly, there is a maximal HPPDZ interval I_b on the immediate right of the label b and I_b contains some A_o obstacle.

Hence $I_a \cap I_b \neq \emptyset$ and the labels in the open interval $(q_\alpha(b), q_\alpha(a))$ are connected by HPPDZs. All such labels are more specifically in the interval $I = (I_a \cup I_b) \cap (q_\alpha(b), q_\alpha(a))$. Thus by IH for arbitrary labels a_1 and b_2 in I we have $a_1 \in A \iff b_2 \notin B$. Note that $A_o \cup B_o \subseteq I$. Let $a_o \in A_o \cap I$ and let $b_o \in B_o \cap I$. Then

$$a \in A \implies b_o \notin B \implies a_o \in A \implies b \notin B \implies a \in A$$

using the facts $(a, b_o) \notin W$, IH, $(a_o, b) \notin W$, $(a, b) \in W$ respectively. Thus

$$a \in A \iff b_o \notin B \iff a_o \in A \iff b \notin B$$

and so $\phi(a_o, b_o)$.

Let a_1 and b_2 be any labels in the PDZ $[q_{\alpha}(b), q_{\alpha}(a)]$. WLOG let $a_1 \neq a$ and $b_2 \neq b$. As $\{a_1, a_o, b_2, b_o\} \subseteq q_{\alpha}^{-1}[I]$ and I is a HPPDZ interval, so the labels a_1, a_o, b_2, b_o are connected and

$$a_1 \in A \iff b_o \notin B \iff a_o \in A \iff b_2 \notin B$$

by IH. Combining this with the statement $\phi(a_o, b_o)$ above we get

$$a \in A \iff b_2 \notin B \iff a_1 \in A \iff b \notin B$$

and so $\phi(a_1, b_2)$ as required.

Case 2: $\exists a_o \in A_o \exists b_o \in B_o.q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_o)$

Let $a_o \in A_o$ and $b_o \in B_o$ s.t. $q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_o)$. So $(a_o, b_o) \in W$. Note we have $q_\alpha(b) < q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_o) < q_\alpha(a)$.

Thus

 $a \in A \implies b_o \notin B \implies a_o \in A \implies b \notin B \implies a \in A$

using $(a, b_o) \notin W$, $(a_o, b_o) \in W$, $(a_o, b) \notin W$ and $(a, b) \in W$ respectively. Hence the following statement $\phi(a_o, b_o)$ is true:

$$a \in A \iff b_o \notin B \iff a_o \in A \iff b \notin B \tag{6.3}$$

Next extend PDZ $[q_{\alpha}(b), q_{\alpha}(a)]$ to the maximum possible interval I by HP-PDZs since we cannot move the labels to HPPDZs anyway. Then an arbitrary label $a_1 \in q_{\alpha}^{-1}[[q_{\alpha}(b), q_{\alpha}(a)]]$ cannot be moved out of I since there is its mutual obstacle $b_1 \in q_{\alpha}^{-1}[I]$ (i.e. $(a_1, b_1) \notin W$) that prevents a_1 being moved out of $[q_{\alpha}(b), q_{\alpha}(a)]$. Depending on where a_1 and b_1 are, we prove case by case $\phi(a_1, b_1)$.

Below follows the proof of $\phi(a_1, b_1)$ where a_1 is arbitrary and b_1 depends on a_1 . To prove $\phi(a_1, b_2)$ for arbitrary labels a_1 and b_2 , first apply a symmetric proof to prove $\phi(a_2, b_2)$ for an arbitrary label b_2 and a_2 dependent on b_2 . Once we have $\phi(a_1, b_1)$ and $\phi(a_2, b_2)$ for arbitrary labels a_1 and b_2 , we can conclude $\phi(a_1, b_2)$ as required.

Case 2.1: $q_{\alpha}[B_o] \cap [q_{\alpha}(a_1), q_{\alpha}(a)] = \emptyset$

The label a_1 has to be in a HPPDZ interval I_1 . Otherwise the strategy (a, b) would have moved the label a to the left of the label a_1 . Let I_1 be the maximum such possible interval. The label a cannot be put to the left of the interval I_1 as I_1 contains some obstacle $b_o \in B_o$. WLOG choose $a_o \in A_o$ and b_o so that they satisfy $q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_o)$. Also a_1 is not moved out of I_1 , hence using the maximality of I_1 for the label a_1 there is some obstacle $b_1 \in I_1$, i.e. $(a_1, b_1) \notin W$ and $q_\alpha(b_1) < q_\alpha(a_1)$. But then b_o and a_1 are already connected through I_1 . Hence by IH $b_o \notin B \iff a_1 \in A$. Using this and statement (6.3) we get

 $a \in A \iff b_1 \notin B \iff a_1 \in A \iff b \notin B$

and so $\phi(a_1, b_1)$ as required.

Case 2.2: $q_{\alpha}[B_o] \cap [q_{\alpha}(a_1), q_{\alpha}(a)] \neq \emptyset$

There is $b_o \in B_o$ s.t. $q_\alpha(b_o) \in [q_\alpha(a_1), q_\alpha(a)]$. So $q_\alpha(a_1) < q_\alpha(b_o) < q_\alpha(a)$ and $(a_1, b_o) \in W$. WLOG choose $a_o \in A_o$ and b_o so that they satisfy $q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_o)$.

Case 2.2.1: $\exists a_o \in A_o.q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_1)$

WLOG let a_o satisfy the condition $q_\alpha(a_o) < q_\alpha(b_1)$. So $(a_o, b_1) \in W$. Note we have

$$q_{\alpha}(b) < q_{\alpha}(a_o) < q_{\alpha}(b_1) < q_{\alpha}(a_1) < q_{\alpha}(b_o) < q_{\alpha}(a)$$

Hence

 $a_1 \in A \implies b_1 \notin B \implies a_o \in A \implies b_o \notin B \implies a_1 \in A$

using $(a_1, b_1) \notin W$, $(a_o, b_1) \in W$, statement (6.3) and $(a_1, b_o) \in W$ respectively. Thus

 $a_1 \in A \iff b_1 \notin B \iff a_o \in A \iff b_o \notin B.$

Therefore by statement (6.3) again we conclude $\phi(a_1, b_1)$ as required.

Case 2.2.2: $\forall a_o \in A_o.q_\alpha(b_1) < q_\alpha(a_o)$

Note that

$$q_{\alpha}(b), q_{\alpha}(b_1) < q_{\alpha}(a_o) < q_{\alpha}(a_1) < q_{\alpha}(b_o) < q_{\alpha}(a).$$

We claim $b \notin B \iff b_1 \notin B$.

 Subcase q_α(b) < q_α(b₁): Note

$$q_{\alpha}(b) < q_{\alpha}(b_1) < q_{\alpha}(a_o) < q_{\alpha}(a_1) < q_{\alpha}(b_o) < q_{\alpha}(a)$$

By symmetry of Case 2.1 we have $\phi(a_2, b_1)$ for the given b_1 and a_2 dependent upon it. Hence $b \notin B \iff b_1 \notin B$.

Note that $\phi(a_1, b_1)$ does not follow immediately by symmetry since in Case 2.1 we show the existence of such b_1 satisfying the necessary conditions implying $\phi(a_1, b_1)$. But here we first start with a_1 and fix it. On the other hand, the symmetry proof starts from b_1 first.

Subcase q_α(b) = q_α(b₁):
 Note

$$q_{\alpha}(b) = q_{\alpha}(b_1) < q_{\alpha}(a_o) < q_{\alpha}(a_1) < q_{\alpha}(b_o) < q_{\alpha}(a).$$

So $b = b_1$ and $b \notin B \iff b_1 \notin B$.

 Subcase q_{\alpha}(b) > q_{\alpha}(b₁): Note

$$q_{\alpha}(b_1) < q_{\alpha}(b) < q_{\alpha}(a_o) < q_{\alpha}(a_1) < q_{\alpha}(b_o) < q_{\alpha}(a).$$

As $b, b_1 \in q_{\alpha}^{-1}[I]$, the labels b and b_1 have to be connected by HPPDZs and so $b \notin B \iff b_1 \notin B$ by IH.

In all subcases above we have $b \notin B \iff b_1 \notin B$. Combining this with statement (6.3) we have $b_1 \notin B \iff b_o \notin B$. Notice $q_\alpha(a_1) < q_\alpha(b_o)$, so $(a_1, b_o) \in W$. Thus

 $a_1 \in A \implies b_1 \notin B \implies b_o \notin B \implies a_1 \in A$

using $(a_1, b_1) \notin W$, $b_1 \notin B \iff b_o \notin B$ and $(a_1, b_o) \in W$ respectively. Hence $a_1 \in A \iff b_1 \notin B \iff b_o \notin B$.

Using this and statement (6.3) we conclude $\phi(a_1, b_1)$ for Case 2.2.2 as required.

In all possible cases we have $\phi(a_1, b_2)$ as needed. This completes the proof of Dead Zone Lemma.

6.2.4 Defining the cut

Definition 6.2.8. (Cut C in $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$)

Define the cut C in the α -finite α -rationals and its complement³ D by:

- C := {ρ ∈ Q_α ∩ L_α : ∃b ∈ B∃s < α[ρ ≤ q_s(b) ↓ or {ρ, q_α(b)} is a subset of a PDZ]}.
- D := {ρ ∈ Q_α ∩ L_α : ∃a ∈ A∃s < α[q_s(a) ↓≤ ρ or {ρ, q_α(a)} is a subset of a PDZ]}.

The following lemma establishes that C is a cut in $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$.

Lemma 6.2.9. (Closure of C and D under $<_{Q_{\alpha}}$)

• C is downwards closed in $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$:

$$\forall \sigma, \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}[\sigma < \rho \in C \implies \sigma \in C].$$

• *D* is upwards closed in $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$:

$$\forall \sigma, \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}[\sigma > \rho \in D \implies \sigma \in D].$$

Proof. Let $\sigma, \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ and $\sigma < \rho \in C$. If $\exists b \in \overline{B} \exists s < \alpha.\rho \leq q_s(b) \downarrow$, then clearly $\sigma \leq q_s(b) \downarrow$ and so $\sigma \in C$. If $\exists b \in \overline{B}$ s.t. $\{\rho, q_{\alpha}(b)\}$ is a subset of a PDZ, then $\sigma < q_{\alpha}(b)$ or $q_{\alpha}(b) \leq \sigma < \rho$. If $\sigma < q_{\alpha}(b)$, then $\sigma \in C$. If $q_{\alpha}(b) \leq \sigma < \rho$, then σ is in the PDZ with $q_{\alpha}(b)$ and so $\{\sigma, q_{\alpha}(b)\}$ is a subset of the PDZ. Hence $\sigma \in C$. In all cases $\sigma \in C$. Therefore C is downwards closed.

The proof that D is upwards closed in $Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ is symmetric.

Lemma 6.2.10. $C \cap D = \emptyset$

Proof. Assume for a contradiction that $\exists \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cdot \rho \in C \cap D$. As $\rho \in C$, so $\exists b \in \overline{B} \exists s < \alpha [\rho \leq q_s(b) \downarrow \text{ or } \{\rho, q_\alpha(b)\}$ is a subset of a PDZ]. As $\rho \in D$, so $\exists a \in \overline{A} \exists s < \alpha [q_s(a) \downarrow \leq \rho \text{ or } \{\rho, q_\alpha(a)\}$ is a subset of a PDZ]. WLOG let s be large enough so that $q_s(a) \downarrow \land q_s(b) \downarrow$. Since $a \in \overline{A} \land b \in \overline{B}$, we have $(a, b) \in \overline{W}$. Therefore $q_s(b) < q_s(a)$ by construction. There are four cases:

- 1. Case $q_s(a) \le \rho \le q_s(b)$: this is impossible since $q_s(b) < q_s(a)$.
- Case {ρ, q_α(b)} is a subset of a PDZ and q_s(a) ≤ ρ: since (a, b) ∉ W we have q_α(b) ≤ q_α(a) ≤ q_s(a) ≤ ρ. Thus q_α(a) is in the same PDZ as q_α(b), so a and b are connected, but a ∉ A∧b ∉ B which leads to the contradiction of lemma 6.2.7.

³For the proof, see proposition 6.2.15.

- Case ρ ≤ q_s(b) and {ρ, q_α(a)} is a subset of a PDZ: this is symmetric to the case above.
- 4. Case {ρ, q_α(a)} is a subset of a PDZ and {ρ, q_α(b)} is a subset of a PDZ: thus q_s(a) and q_s(b) are connected and by lemma 6.2.7 a ∈ A ⇔ b ∉ B which leads to the contradiction.

Lemma 6.2.11. Assume $C \subseteq E \land D \subseteq \overline{E}$. Then $A = A_E \land B = B_E$.

Proof. We show

$$A = A_E \coloneqq \{a \in \alpha_A : \exists s < \alpha. q_s(a) \in E\}.$$

If $a \notin A$, then

$$\forall s < \alpha(q_s(a) \downarrow \Longrightarrow q_s(a) \in D \subseteq \overline{E}),$$

and thus $a \notin A_E$.

If $a \in A$, then since $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$, we have $\exists b \notin B.(a, b) \in W$ by proposition 4.2.7. By lemma 6.2.6, let s be a stage s.t. (a, b) strategy and all other strategies of a higher priority have stopped acting. Two cases are possible: $q_s(a) < q_s(b)$ or $[q_s(b), q_s(a)]$ is a PDZ. Each implies $q_s(a) \in C \subseteq E$ and thus $a \in A_E$. Therefore $A = A_E$ as required.

By a symmetric proof $B = B_E$.

6.2.5 **Proof completion**

We complete the proof of Semicomputable Cut Existence Theorem 6.0.1.

Proof. (Of lemma 6.1.1) We use the labelling algorithm in section 6.1 to construct a labelling sequence

$$q = \{q_s : \alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B \mapsto Q_\alpha \cap L_\alpha\}_{s < \alpha}.$$

This sequence is α -computable by proposition 6.2.3v. Using this sequence q, the cut C is defined in definition 6.2.8. Since the ordering on Q_{α} is α -computable, C is α -semicomputable. Taking E := C by lemma 6.2.10 we have $C \subseteq E \land D \subseteq \overline{E}$. Therefore by lemma 6.2.11 it follows that $A = A_C$ and $B = B_C$ which completes the proof of lemma 6.1.1.

Lemma 6.2.12. $A_C \leq_{w\alpha e} C$ and $B_C \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$.

Proof. Note $A_C \leq_{\alpha e} C$ via

 $W \coloneqq \{ \langle a, \delta \rangle : \exists s < \alpha . \{ q_s(a) \} = K_\delta \}$

which is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$ as $q : \alpha \times (\alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B) \to Q_\alpha$ is α -computable by proposition 6.2.3v. Similarly, $B_C \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$ as required.

Proof. (Of theorem 6.0.1) Assume $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$. Then there is a semicomputable cut $C \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ by lemma 6.1.1 s.t. $A = A_C$ and $B = B_C$. Applying lemma 6.2.12 we get $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$ and $B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$ as required.

6.2.6 More about the cut C

We establish some additional properties about the constructed semicomputable cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ which are not necessary for the proof of theorem 6.0.1.

Proposition 6.2.13. The cut $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ is a proper cut. In particular,

- $C \neq \emptyset$,
- $C \neq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$.

Proof. Suppose that $C = \emptyset$ or that $C = Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$. Then $C \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha})$. Remember that by theorem 6.0.1 we have $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C$ and $B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$. As $C \in \Delta_1(L_{\alpha})$, so $A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ and $B \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$. But by the assumption in theorem 6.0.1, $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ is nontrivial which is a contradiction.

Lemma 6.2.14. $C \cup D = Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$

Proof. Assume not, then there is an α -finite α -rational $\rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} - C \cup D$. Define $E := \{\pi \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \pi < \rho\}$. Then $C \subseteq E$ and $D \subseteq \overline{E}$ and so $A = A_E$ by lemma 6.2.11. Hence $A = A_E \leq_{w\alpha e} E$ by lemma 6.2.12. But note that $E \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$ and so $A \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$. But $\mathcal{K}(A, B)$ is nontrivial which is a contradiction.

Proposition 6.2.15. $D = \overline{C} := Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} - C$

Proof. Remember definition 6.2.8 that $C \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$ and $D \subseteq Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$. Hence $D = \overline{C}$ follows from lemma 6.2.10 stating $C \cap D = \emptyset$ and lemma 6.2.14 stating $C \cup D = Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$.

6.3 \mathcal{D}_{α} definable in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$

We prove that the total degrees $TOT_{\alpha e}$ are definable in the α -enumeration degrees $D_{\alpha e}$ if V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal (theorem 6.3.7).

Lemma 6.3.1. The following are true about the function q_{α} :

- dom $(q_{\alpha}) \in \Sigma_2(L_{\alpha})$,
- $q_{\alpha} \in \Sigma_2(L_{\alpha}).$

Proof. Note that the labelling sequence $q : \alpha \times (\alpha_A \sqcup \alpha_B) \to Q_\alpha$ is α -computable by proposition 6.2.3v.

So $\operatorname{dom}(q_{\alpha}) \in \Sigma_{2}(L_{\alpha})$ since $c \in \operatorname{dom}(q_{\alpha}) \iff \exists s < \alpha \forall t < \alpha[s \leq t \implies q_{s}(c) = q_{t}(c)].$ And $q_{\alpha} \in \Sigma_{2}(L_{\alpha})$ since $q_{\alpha}(c) = \rho \iff \exists s < \alpha \forall t < \alpha[s \leq t \implies \rho = q_{t}(c)].$

Lemma 6.3.2. Let $\sigma, \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha}$. Then the statement

" σ and ρ are together in a PDZ"

is $\Sigma_2(L_\alpha)$ definable.

Proof. Note $\{\sigma, \rho\} \subseteq$ a PDZ \iff $\exists (a, b) \in W \exists t < \alpha [\forall u < \alpha (u \ge t \implies q_u(b) = q_t(b) \le \sigma, \rho \le q_u(a) = q_t(a))].$ As the labelling sequence q is α -computable by proposition 6.2.3v, so by looking at the quantifier arrangement the statement has to be $\Sigma_2(L_\alpha)$ definable as required.

Recall section 3.12 that $J_{\alpha e}^{(n)}(A)$ denotes the $n^{\text{th}} \alpha$ -enumeration jump of A.

Lemma 6.3.3. (Definability of *C* and \overline{C}) Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_3$ -replacement, then:

- 1. $C \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)),$
- 2. $\overline{C} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)),$
- 3. $C \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus B \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)).$

Proof. Note $C = \{ \rho \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} : \exists b \in \alpha_B \exists s < \alpha \exists \sigma \in Q_{\alpha} \cap L_{\alpha} \}$

 $[b \in \overline{B} \land (\rho \leq q_s(b) \downarrow \text{ or } \sigma = q_\alpha(b) \land \{\rho, \sigma\} \text{ is a subset of a PDZ })]\}.$

The statement " $\sigma = q_{\alpha}(b)$ " is $\Sigma_2(L_{\alpha})$ by lemma 6.3.1. The statement " $\{\rho, \sigma\}$ is a subset of a PDZ" is $\Sigma_2(L_{\alpha})$ by lemma 6.3.2. The statement " $\rho \leq q_s(b) \downarrow$ " is α -computable by the α -computability of the labelling sequence q, see proposition 6.2.3v. Hence the formula

" $\rho \leq q_s(b) \downarrow$ or $\sigma = q_\alpha(b) \land \{\rho, \sigma\}$ is a subset of a PDZ"

is $\Sigma_2(L_\alpha)$ definable. Using the Σ_n -completion of the $n^{\text{th}} \alpha e$ -jump (proposition 3.12.16) and $L_\alpha \models \Sigma_3$ -replacement the set defined by such formula is α -reducible to the set $J_{\alpha e}^{(2)}(\emptyset)$. So clearly the set defined by the formula

"
$$b \in \overline{B} \land (\rho \le q_s(b) \downarrow \text{ or } \sigma = q_\alpha(b) \land \{\rho, \sigma\} \text{ is a subset of a PDZ})$$
"

is α -reducible to the set $B \oplus J_{\alpha e}^{(2)}(\emptyset)$. Thus C is $\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, B \oplus J_{\alpha e}^{(2)}(\emptyset))$ definable and the statement 1 holds.

Similarly, \overline{C} is $\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, A \oplus J_{\alpha e}^{(2)}(\emptyset))$ definable. Hence the statement 2 is true. By the statements 1 and 2 we have

$$C \in \overline{C} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}, A \oplus B \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)).$$

Therefore

$$C \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus B \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset))$$

and thus the statement 3 is true.

Remark 6.3.4. The reason that the Σ_1 definition of C and \overline{C} needs only one of the sets B and A respectively, not both, is corollary 4.2.8 which says $A \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{B}$ and $B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{A}$ for a non-trivial Kalimullin pair $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$.

Theorem 6.3.5. Suppose that A and B form a non-trivial maximal \mathcal{K} -pair, then there exists an α -semicomputable set C s.t. $C \equiv_{\alpha e} A$, $\overline{C} \equiv_{\alpha e} B$ and $\mathcal{K}(C, \overline{C})$. Furthermore, if $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_3$ -replacement and $A \oplus B \oplus J_{\alpha e}^{(2)}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular, then $\deg_{\alpha e}(A \oplus B)$ is a total degree.

Proof. (Of theorem 6.3.5)

- 1. Assume $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A, B)$.
- 2. Assume $\mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$.
- 3. $\exists C \in sc(L_{\alpha})[A \leq_{w \alpha e} C \land B \leq_{w \alpha e} \overline{C}]$ by 2 and theorem 6.0.1.
- 4. $\mathcal{K}(C, \overline{C})$ by 3.
- 5. $A \leq_{w\alpha e} C \land B \leq_{w\alpha e} \overline{C}$ by 3.
- 6. Assume $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_3$ -replacement and $A \oplus B \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular.

7. C and \overline{C} are megaregular by 6, lemma 6.3.3 and proposition 3.8.13.

- 8. $A \leq_{\alpha e} C \land B \leq_{\alpha e} \overline{C}$ by 5 and 7.
- 9. $A \equiv_{\alpha e} C \land B \equiv_{\alpha e} \overline{C}$ by 1, 4, 8.
- 10. Define $T \coloneqq C \oplus \overline{C}$.
- 11. *T* is total and $T \in A \oplus B$ by 9, 10.

Corollary 6.3.6. Assume V = L and let α be an infinite regular cardinal. If a and b are α -enumeration degrees that form a non-trivial maximal \mathcal{K} -pair, then there exists an α -semicomputable set C s.t. $C \in a$, $\overline{C} \in b$ and $\mathcal{K}(C, \overline{C})$. Hence $a \oplus b$ is a total degree.

Proof. As α is an infinite regular cardinal, so \mathcal{K} -pair is definable in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ by corollary 4.3.8. Thus assume $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(a, b) \wedge \mathcal{K}_{nt}(a, b)$ and let $A \in a$ and $B \in b$. We have $\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A, B) \wedge \mathcal{K}_{nt}(A, B)$. If α is an infinite regular cardinal, then every subset of α is megaregular. Hence $A \oplus B \oplus J^{(2)}_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)$ is megaregular. As α is an infinite regular cardinal, so $L_{\alpha} \models \Sigma_3$ -replacement. Next apply theorem 6.3.5 to conclude $a \oplus b = \deg_{\alpha e}(A \oplus B)$ is total as required.

 \square

Theorem 6.3.7. (Definability of total degrees)

Assume V = L. Let α be an infinite regular cardinal. A degree of $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is total iff it is trivial or a join of a maximal \mathcal{K} -pair.

Proof. (Of theorem 6.3.7) Assume that α is an infinite regular cardinal. So \mathcal{K} -pair is definable in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ by corollary 4.3.8. Thus the proposed definition makes a sense in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$.

The \implies direction follows from corollary 4.4.2.

Clearly, the trivial α -enumeration degree $\deg_{\alpha e}(\emptyset)$ is total.

The rest of \Leftarrow direction follows from corollary 6.3.6 implied by theorem 6.3.5 and theorem 6.0.1.

Chapter 7

Embedding Theorem for $Aut(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e})$

In this chapter we first prove Selman's theorem 7.1.6 in α -Computability Theory assuming V = L and α being an infinite regular cardinal. Finally, we use this theorem to prove the main result of this thesis, Embedding Theorem 7.3: the automorphism group of the α -enumeration degrees $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ embeds into the automorphism group of the α degrees \mathcal{D}_{α} assuming V = L and α being an infinite regular cardinal.

7.1 Selman's theorem

Selman's theorem is generalized to the setting of α -Computability Theory from classical Computability Theory [24][30].

Definition 7.1.1. (Odd enumeration and α -finite part)

- Let B ⊆ α. The total function f : α → α is an odd enumeration of B iff
 f[{2γ + 1 < α : γ < α}] = B.
- B odd α -finite part is a function $\tau : [0, 2s) \rightarrow \alpha$ for $s < \alpha$ s.t.

$$\forall x < \alpha[2x+1 \in \operatorname{dom}(\tau) \implies \tau(2x+1) \in B].$$

• Let $|\tau|$ denote the order type of dom (τ) , i.e. $|\tau| \coloneqq \operatorname{ot}(\operatorname{dom}(\tau))$.

If dom(τ) is an initial segment of α , we have $|\tau| = \text{dom}(\tau)$. If $\tau : [0, 2s) \to \alpha$ is a function, then dom(τ) = 2s and so $|\tau| = 2s$. If τ is a B odd α -finite part, then there is an odd enumeration $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ of B s.t. $\tau \subseteq f$.

Lemma 7.1.2. Let $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ be an odd enumeration of B. Then $B \leq_{w\alpha e} f$.

Proof. We have $B \leq_{w\alpha e} f$ via

$$\Phi \coloneqq \{ \langle b, \delta \rangle : \exists \gamma < \alpha [2\gamma + 1 < \alpha \land K_{\delta} = \{ (2\gamma + 1, b) \}] \}.$$

Lemma 7.1.3. Assume that $A \leq_{w\alpha e} f$. Then $f^{-1}[A] \leq_{w\alpha e} f$.

Proof. Note $f^{-1}[A] \coloneqq \{x < \alpha : f(x) \in A\}$. Let $A \leq_{w\alpha e} f$ via $\Psi \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha)$. Then $f^{-1}[A] \leq_{w\alpha e} f$ via

$$\Phi \coloneqq \{ \langle x, \delta \rangle : \exists y < \alpha [K_{\delta} = K_{\epsilon} \cup \{ (x, y) \} \} \land \langle y, \epsilon \rangle \in \Psi] \} \in \Sigma_1(L_{\alpha}).$$

Proposition 7.1.4. ¹ Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ and $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$. Assume that $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$ is megaregular. Then there exists an odd enumeration $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ of B s.t. $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} f$ and $B \leq_{\alpha e} f$.

Proof. Construction

Since $B \equiv_{\alpha e} B \cup (\alpha - \sup(B))$, WLOG redefine B to be $B \cup (\alpha - \sup(B))$ so that it is unbounded. We construct a sequence of B odd α -finite parts in α many stages s.t.:

 $\tau_0 \subseteq \tau_1 \subseteq \ldots \subseteq \tau_s \subseteq \ldots$

In the end, the desired function $f : \alpha \to \alpha$ is defined as $f = \bigcup_{s < \alpha} \tau_s$.

Let $\tau_0 = \emptyset$. If s is a limit ordinal, then let $\tau_s := \bigcup_{r < s} \tau_r$. Now assume that τ_s has been constructed, then at the stage s construct τ_{s+1} :

• Stage s = 2e:

Set $\tau_{s+1} \coloneqq \tau_s \cdot 0 \cdot b$ where

 $b = \mu y \{ y < \alpha : y \in B \land y \notin \tau_s [\{ 2\gamma + 1 < |\tau_s| : \gamma < \alpha \}] \}$

and $0 \cdot b$ is the concatenation of 0 and b. E.g. if $\tau = a \cdot b$, then $\tau(0) = a, \tau(1) = b$. Note that b is well-defined since B is unbounded.

• Stage s = 2e + 1:

Use e and τ_s to define the set C as

 $C := \{x < \alpha | \exists \rho \supseteq \tau_s[\rho \text{ is a } B \text{ odd } \alpha \text{-finite part and } x = \rho(|\tau_s|) \land |\tau_s| \in \Phi_e(\rho)]\}.$ Since $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$ by assumption and $C \leq_{w\alpha e} B$, we have $C \neq A$. Thus we have two cases:

- Case ∃x < α[x ∈ C ∧ x ∉ A]: Then let τ_{s+1} be the minimal ρ from C.
 Note τ_{s+1} = τ_s · x · b · σ for some b ∈ B where σ is a B odd α-finite part.
- Case $\exists x < \alpha [x \notin C \land x \in A]$: Then let $\tau_{s+1} \coloneqq \tau_s \cdot x \cdot b$ for some $b \in B$.

¹Generalized from [30] for $\alpha = \omega$.

Verification

By the two cases above we have for all $e, s, x < \alpha$:

$$s = 2e + 1 \land x = \tau_{s+1}(|\tau_s|) \implies x \in C \land x \notin A \lor x \notin C \land x \in A$$
(7.1)

Note that $f = \bigcup_{s < \alpha} \tau_s$ is an odd enumeration of B. This is ensured by stages $s = 2e < \alpha$. If $b \in B$, then a pair $(2\gamma + 1, b)$ is added to f for some $2\gamma + 1 < \alpha$ at the stage $s = 2b < \alpha$ at latest.

Moreover, $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} f$. For suppose not, then $A \leq_{w\alpha e} f$. Hence $f^{-1}[A] \leq_{w\alpha e} f$ by lemma 7.1.3 and so there is $e < \alpha$ s.t. $f^{-1}[A] = \Phi_e(f)$ and thus:

$$\forall l < \alpha[f(l) \in A \iff l \in f^{-1}[A] \iff l \in \Phi_e(f)]$$
(7.2)

Consider the stage s = 2e + 1. Let $l = |\tau_s|$. Note $\tau_s \subseteq f$.

Case 1: l ∈ f⁻¹[A] ⇒ f(l) ∈ A ⇒ l ∈ Φ_e(f) using statement (7.2). By the witness property of an α-enumeration operator there exists B odd α-finite part ρ of f s.t. ρ ⊇ τ_s ∧ l ∈ Φ_e(ρ) ∧ ρ(l) = f(l). So f(l) ∈ C. Hence f(l) ∈ C ∩ A. Also by statement (7.1) we have

$$(f(l) \in C \land f(l) \notin A) \lor (x \notin C \land f(l) \in A).$$

This is a contradiction.

Case 2: l ∉ f⁻¹[A] ⇒ f(l) ∉ A ⇒ l ∉ Φ_e(f) using statement (7.2). By the monotonicity of an α-enumeration operator there is no B odd α-finite part ρ of f s.t. ρ ⊇ τ_s ∧ l ∈ Φ_e(ρ). So f(l) ∉ C. Hence f(l) ∉ A ∧ f(l) ∉ C. By statement (7.1) we have

$$(f(l) \in C \land f(l) \notin A) \lor (x \notin C \land f(l) \in A).$$

This is a contradiction.

Hence in any case $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} f$ as required.

Let $g : \alpha \to \alpha$ be defined by $g : s \mapsto \gamma$ where $K_{\gamma} = \tau_s$. During the construction we use the oracle $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$, hence $g \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset))$. We show that g is well-defined and that τ_s is α -finite at a limit stage s. Let $s < \alpha$ be a limit stage and $g_{|s}$ be a restriction of g to the subdomain $s \subseteq \alpha$. Then $g[s] = I \in L_\alpha$ since $s \in L_\alpha$, $g_{|s} \in \Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset))$ and by the megaregularity of the oracle $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$. Hence $\tau_s = \bigcup_{r < s} \tau_r = \bigcup_{\gamma \in I} K_\gamma$ is α -finite as required. Therefore $\forall s < \alpha.\tau_s \in L_\alpha$, as needed.

Note that $f \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset))$ since the construction of f uses the oracle $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$. By that and the megaregularity of $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$, also f must be megaregular. By lemma 7.1.2 we have $B \leq_{w\alpha e} f$. By the megaregularity of f, we have $B \leq_{\alpha e} f$ as required.

Theorem 7.1.5. (Selman's theorem for admissible ordinals)

Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ and let $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$ be megaregular. Then

 $A \leq_{\alpha e} B \iff \forall X[X \equiv_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \land B \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X}].$

Part of the following proof is adapted from the classical case present in [30].

Proof. \Rightarrow direction is by the transitivity of $\leq_{\alpha e}$.

For the \Leftarrow direction assume that

$$\forall X[X \equiv_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \land B \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X}].$$

We want to show that $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$. Assume not, then $A \not\leq_{\alpha e} B$ and so $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} B$ as $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$ is megaregular. Then by proposition 7.1.4 and the megaregularity of $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$ there exists a total function f s.t. $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} f$, but $B \leq_{\alpha e} f$. But f is total and so $A \leq_{\alpha e} f$ which is a contradiction to the statement $A \not\leq_{w\alpha e} f$. Hence $A \leq_{\alpha e} B$ as required.

Corollary 7.1.6. (Selman's theorem for regular cardinals)

Assume V = L. Let α be an infinite regular cardinal. Then for any $A, B \subseteq \alpha$ we have:

 $A \leq_{\alpha e} B \iff \forall X [X \equiv_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \land B \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X} \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} X \oplus \overline{X}]$

Proof. If α is a regular cardinal, then every subset of α is megaregular. Hence $A \oplus B \oplus K(\emptyset)$ is megaregular. The remaining proof of the corollary follows from theorem 7.1.5.

7.2 $TOT_{\alpha e}$ as an automorphism base for $D_{\alpha e}$

We use Selman's theorem to conclude that $TOT_{\alpha e}$ are an automorphism base for $D_{\alpha e}$ under some assumptions.

Definition 7.2.1. (Automorphism base [11]) TFAE:

• The subset $B \subseteq \operatorname{dom}(\mathcal{M})$ is an automorphism base of the model \mathcal{M} .

•
$$\forall f, g \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{M})[f_{|B} = g_{|B} \implies f = g]$$

• $\forall f \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{M})[f_{|B} = 1_{|B} \implies f = 1]$

Theorem 7.2.2. ² Assume V = L. Let α be an infinite regular cardinal. The total degrees $TOT_{\alpha e}$ are an automorphism base for $D_{\alpha e}$.

²For α -Computability Theory introduced in this thesis. A well-known result in classical Computability Theory concluded by the work in [24].

Proof. 0. Assume α is a regular cardinal.

1. $\forall a, b \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[a \leq b \iff \forall x \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}(b \leq x \implies a \leq x)]$ by 0 and corollary 7.1.6. 2. $\forall a, b \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[a = b \iff \forall x \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}(b \leq x \iff a \leq x)]$ by 1. 3. Assume $f \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e})$. 4. $\forall a, b \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}[a \leq b \iff f(a) \leq f(b)]$ by 3. 5. Assume $\forall x \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}.f(x) = x$. 6. Assume $\forall x \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}.f(x) = x$. 6. Assume $y \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$. 7. $\forall x \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}.(f(y) \leq f(x) \iff y \leq x)$ by 4. 8. $\forall x \in \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}.(f(y) \leq x \iff y \leq x)$ by 5, 7. 9. f(y) = y by 2, 8. 10. $\forall y \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}.f(y) = y$ by 6, 9. 11. $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$ is an automorphism base for $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ by 3, 5, 10.

7.3 Embedding Theorem

The main result of this thesis is:

Theorem 7.3.1. (*Embedding Theorem*³)

Assume V = L. Let α be an infinite regular cardinal, then the automorphism group of the α -enumeration degrees is embeddable in the automorphism group of the total α -enumeration degrees: Aut $(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e})$.

Proof. (Of theorem 7.3.1) The embedding theorem is implied by 3 statements:

- 1. There exists an embedding $\iota : \mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ where $\operatorname{Im}(\iota) = \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$,
- 2. $TOT_{\alpha e}$ are an automorphism base for $D_{\alpha e}$,
- 3. $TOT_{\alpha e}$ are definable in $D_{\alpha e}$.

The first statement follows from theorem 3.10.4 where the embedding $\iota : \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is given by $\iota : \deg_{\alpha}(A) \mapsto \deg_{\alpha e}(A \oplus \overline{A})$. The second statement is theorem 7.2.2 which is the generalization of a result by Selman [24]. The third statement is theorem 6.3.7 which is the generalization of the definability of the total degrees in the enumeration degrees [2].

By the 3 statements we can define an injective group homomorphism $\eta : \operatorname{Aut}(D_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}), \eta : f \mapsto \iota^{-1} \circ f \circ \iota$. As $\operatorname{Im}(\iota) = \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$ and $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$ definable and hence invariant under an automorphism f so $\operatorname{Im}(f \circ \iota) = \mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e}$.

³For α -Computability Theory introduced in this thesis. A well-known result in classical Computability Theory concluded by the work in [2]. The proof of this result outlined in [2] p13.

Thus the composition of ι^{-1} : $\mathcal{TOT}_{\alpha e} \to \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}$ (where ι injective) with $f \circ \iota : \mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \to \mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is well-defined. Since

 $\eta(f)\circ\eta(g)=(\iota^{-1}\circ f\circ\iota)\circ(\iota^{-1}\circ g\circ\iota)=\iota^{-1}\circ f\circ g\circ\iota=\eta(f\circ g),$

so η is a group homomorphism. If $\eta(f) = \eta(g)$ then $\forall a \in TOT_{\alpha e}.f(a) = g(a)$, since $TOT_{\alpha e}$ is an automorphism base for $D_{\alpha e}$ so f = g and hence η injective. This η is the required embedding.

7.4 Further directions

Embedding theorem 7.3.1 establishes for a certain class of admissible ordinals α that $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha})$. One of the obstacles to prove the Embedding theorem for all admissible α is a difficulty in proving the definability of a Kalimullin pair and the total degrees in the enumeration degrees. We proved that a Kalimullin pair is definable in $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ if all subsets of α are megaregular (theorem 4.3.6). This condition seems to be necessary. The lack of the megaregularity of the sets is a consequence of the lack of the admissibility on L_{α} . This gives us the following intuition:

The less admissibility L_{α} has, the less definability $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is expected to have.

Slaman and Woodin [28] proved that the Turing degrees have a trivial automorphism group iff they are biinterpretable with second order arithmetic. Also every automorphism in a structure has to preserve all definable relations. This gives us another intuition:

The less definability a structure has, the more non-trivial automorphism group it is expected to have.

Combining the two intuitions above into the third one we have:

The less admissibility L_{α} has, the more non-trivial automorphism group $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}$ is expected to have.

Chapter 8

Open problems

We present several open problems in Higher Computability Theory at a various level of difficulty, where the number of stars \star marking the problem is proportional to the level of the difficulty guessed by the author. For comparison, Embedding Theorem 7.3.1, the main result of this thesis stands at the difficulty level of about three stars ($\star \star \star$).

8.1 α -Computability Theory

8.1.1 General

Does the following relativization of the Uniformization Theorem 3.2.9 hold?

Conjecture 8.1.1. (*) (Relativized Uniformization Theorem)

Let $n \ge 1$ and $A \subseteq \alpha$. Then for each $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha, A)$ relation R(x, y) there is a $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha, A)$ function f satisfying:

 $\forall x < \alpha [\text{if } \exists y < \alpha . \langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models R(x, y), \text{ then } \langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle \models R(x, f(x))].$

Note that conjecture 8.1.1 in the case of n = 1 was established by proposition 3.4.15. Likely, the cases n > 1 require additional assumptions on the structure $\langle L_{\alpha}, A \rangle$. Using a stronger Relativized Uniformization Theorem we could strengthen proposition 3.4.20.

Conjecture 8.1.2. (*) Let $A_{\delta} := \{\gamma < \alpha : K_{\gamma} \subseteq K_{\delta}\}$. Then $A_{\delta} \in L_{\alpha}$.

Conjecture 8.1.2 could simplify many of the proofs in this thesis, especially the ones where indices of α -finite sets are used, e.g. section 3.5. Trivially, A_{δ} is α -computable. However, it does not seem to be clear that A_{δ} is also bounded. This seems to depend on the function used to index α -finite sets.

Fact 3.6.4 states that the projectum of an admissible ordinal is admissible. Proposition 3.1.21 gives a relation between the admissibility and the cofinality. How can we relate the projectum and the cofinality? Can we do so in the following way?

Conjecture 8.1.3. (**) (Projectum and cofinality)

1. If $\delta = \sigma_n p(\alpha)$, then there is a partial surjection $s : \delta \rightarrow \alpha \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ s.t.

$$\forall y < \alpha \exists x < \delta. y < s(x),$$

2. $\sigma_{n+1} \operatorname{cf}(\alpha) \leq \sigma_n p(\alpha)$.

Proof. (Of 2 assuming 1.)

Let $\delta = \sigma_n p(\alpha)$. So there is a partial surjection $s : \delta \rightharpoonup \alpha \in \Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ s.t. $\forall y < \alpha \exists x < \delta.y < s(x)$. Define $s'(x) = s(\mu z [x \le z \land s(z) \downarrow])$. Note that $s' : \delta \twoheadrightarrow \alpha$ is a total $\Sigma_{n+1}(L_\alpha)$ definable surjection and $\forall y < \alpha \exists x < \delta.y < s'(x)$. Therefore $\sigma_{n+1} cf(\alpha) \le \delta$ as required.

We ask the next question in order to understand the relation between different levels of the definability.

Question 8.1.4. (**) Suppose that α_1 and α_2 are admissible ordinals and that $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$. Let $A, B \subseteq \alpha_1$. If $A \leq_{\alpha_1 e} B$, is it then true that $A \leq_{\alpha_2 e} B$?

8.1.2 Totality

Question 8.1.5. (**) Recall section 3.12. If $J_{\alpha e}(A)$ is a megaregular set, then $J_{\alpha e}(A)$ is total. In general, is $J_{\alpha e}(A)$ a total set for any $A \subseteq \alpha$?

The next question asks if it is sufficient to define the totality with the weaker reducibility instead. If that is the case, then one could conclude the totality using the weaker reducibility without invoking the requirement of megaregularity.

Question 8.1.6. (**) Assume that $A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_{w\alpha e} A$. Is it true that $A \oplus \overline{A} \leq_{\alpha e} A$?

8.1.3 Regularity

Proposition 3.8.13 already implies that megaregularity is closed under the Δ_1 definability. The next conjecture states that also regularity is closed under the Δ_1 definability.

Conjecture 8.1.7. (*) If $A \in \Delta_1(L_\alpha, B)$ and B is regular, then A is regular.

Megaregularity seems as a too strong notion in the context of positive definability and enumeration reducibilities. Moreover, it does not even have the desired properties. The next question asks if there is a better notion in this context. **Question 8.1.8.** $(\star\star)$ (Natural notion of positive megaregularity)

Let α be a general admissible ordinal, not necessarily an infinite regular cardinal. Does there exists a relation $R \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\alpha)$ satisfying the following properties?

- 1. $\forall A \subseteq \alpha$ [if A megaregular, then $R(A) \land R(\overline{A})$].
- 2. $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha[A \leq_{w\alpha e} B \land R(B) \implies A \leq_{\alpha e} B].$
- 3. $\forall A, B \subseteq \alpha[A \leq_{w\alpha e} B \land R(B) \implies R(A)].$

8.1.4 Automorphisms

Megaregularity emerged as a very important notion. It would be good to know some of its degree theoretic properties. The negative answer to the next question would imply that it cannot be definable in a degree structure in question.

Question 8.1.9. $(\star\star)$ Does an automorphism preserve megaregularity?

The next question seems a very natural one to ask after proving in this thesis that $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha})$ for an infinite regular cardinal assuming V = L.

Question 8.1.10. $(\star \star \star \star)$ (Embedding Conjecture for admissible ordinals) Let α be a general admissible ordinal. Is it true that $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha})$?

There is already a classical conjecture that the Turing degrees are rigid [28]. In remark 3.11.6 we saw that the computability on the infinite regular cardinals behaves much like the classical computability theory. Thus it may be natural to conjecture in general that the α -degrees \mathcal{D}_{α} are rigid if α is an infinite regular cardinal and V = L. Together with the main result of this thesis $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha})$ it can imply the following conjecture characterizing $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e})$.

Conjecture 8.1.11. $(\star \star \star \star)$ If V = L and α is an infinite regular cardinal, then the automorphism group of the α -enumeration degrees is trivial.

8.2 Transfer principle

Question 8.2.1. $(\star \star \star)$ (Transfer principle for infinite regular cardinals) Assume V = L. In remark 3.11.6 we observed that the α -Computability with infinite regular cardinals behaves similarly to the classical Computability Theory. Also all the main results of this thesis (section 2.3) are the generalizations of the classical results which hold for infinite regular cardinals α .

Is there some general transfer principle that would enable us to conclude that any result of a certain form which holds in classical Computability Theory is true also in α -Computability Theory if α is an infinite regular cardinal?

8.3 ϵ, ζ - Computability Theory

In remark 3.2.6 it was stated that Δ_1 definability over L_{α} behaves like the computability on the extended Turing machine with a tape of an order type α and the computational time α . Can we generalize this further?

Definition 8.3.1. For $A \in L$ define its powerset to be

$$\mathcal{P}(A) \coloneqq \{B \in L : B \subseteq A\}.$$

Definition 8.3.2. (ϵ , ζ -Constructible Hierarchy)

Let δ, ϵ and ζ be limit ordinals or ∞ (i.e. Ord) and $\epsilon \geq \zeta$. Let $\gamma < \infty$. Define the ϵ, ζ -level of the constructible hierarchy recursively:

$$\begin{split} L_{\zeta,\zeta} &\coloneqq L_{\zeta}, \\ L_{\zeta+\gamma+1,\zeta} &\coloneqq \operatorname{Def}(L_{\zeta+\gamma,\zeta}) \cap \mathcal{P}(\zeta), \\ L_{\zeta+\delta,\zeta} &\coloneqq (\bigcup_{\gamma<\delta} L_{\zeta+\gamma,\zeta}) \cap \mathcal{P}(\zeta). \end{split}$$

Definition 8.3.3. A function $f : \zeta \to \zeta$ is ϵ, ζ -computable iff f is $\Sigma_1(L_{\epsilon,\zeta})$ -definable.

Question 8.3.4. $(\star\star)$ Is a function $f : \zeta \to \zeta \epsilon, \zeta$ -computable iff it is a computable on a Turing machine with a tape of an order type ζ and time ϵ ?

Appendix A

Axioms

A.1 Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory with choice

Definition A.1.1. (Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory with choice)

Zermelo-Frankel set theory with choice (ZFC) is the theory specified by the following axioms:

- extensionality: $\forall x \forall y [x = y \iff \forall z (z \in x \iff z \in y)],$
- foundation: $\forall x [x \neq \emptyset \implies \exists y \in x . x \cap y = \emptyset],$
- schema of separation: for any formula $\phi(a)$ in which y is not free we have

$$\forall x \exists y \forall z [z \in y \iff z \in x \land \phi(z)],$$

- pairing: $\forall x \forall y \exists z [x \in z \land y \in z]$,
- union: $\forall x \exists y \forall v \forall w [v \in w \land w \in x \implies v \in y],$
- schema of replacement: for any formula $\phi(x, y)$ we have $\forall K [\forall x \in K \exists ! y. \phi(x, y) \implies \exists I \forall x \in K \exists y \in I. \phi(x, y)],$
- infinity: $\exists x [\emptyset \in x \land \forall y \in x. y \cup \{y\} \in x],$
- powerset: $\forall x \exists y \forall z [z \subseteq x \implies z \in y],$
- choice: $\forall x [\emptyset \notin x \implies \exists f : x \to \bigcup x (\forall y \in x. f(y) \in y)]$

Appendix B

Abbreviations

iff	if and only if
s.t.	such that
wrt	with respect to
BC	base case
IC	inductive case
IH	inductive hypothesis
TFAE	the following are equivalent
WLOG	without the loss of generality
QED	quod erat demonstrandum, i.e. that which was to be demonstrated
KP	Kripke-Platek set theory
AC	the axiom of choice
ZF	Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory
ZFC	Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory with AC
CK	Church-Kleene
CNF	Cantor normal form
c.e.	computably enumerable
K-pair	Kalimullin pair
DZ	dead zone
PDZ	permanent dead zone
HPPDZ	higher priority permanent dead zone

Appendix C

Notation

C.1 General

\mathbb{N}	natural numbers, i.e. $\mathbb{N} \coloneqq \{0, 1, 2, \ldots\}$
\mathbb{Q}	rational numbers
\sum	sum
Π	product
$\min(A)$	the minimum of the set A
$\max(A)$	the maximum of the set A
$\inf(A)$	the infimum of the set A
$\sup(A)$	the supremum of the set A
$x\coloneqq y$	assignment, x is defined to be y
≡	equivalence relation
\cong	isomorphism

C.2 Functions

$A \rightarrow B$	total function from A to B
$A \rightharpoonup B$	partial function from A to B
$A \hookrightarrow B$	embedding from A to B
$A \twoheadrightarrow B$	epimorphism from A to B , i.e. surjection
$A \rightarrowtail B$	monomorphism from A to B , i.e. injection
$f: x \mapsto y$	the function f maps x to y
f[A]	the image of the function f on the set A
$\operatorname{dom}(f)$	the domain of the function f , i.e. $dom(f : A \rightarrow B) = A$
$\operatorname{dom}(R)$	the domain of the relation R ,
	e.g. if $R \subseteq X \times Y$, then dom $(R) \coloneqq \{x \in X : \exists y \in Y . (x, y) \in R\}$
$\operatorname{cod}(f)$	the codomain of the function f , i.e. $cod(f : A \rightarrow B) = B$

$\operatorname{Im}(f)$	the image of the function f ,
	i.e. $\operatorname{Im}(f) \coloneqq \{y \in \operatorname{cod}(f) : \exists x \in \operatorname{dom}(f).f(x) = y\}$
$\operatorname{rng}(f)$	the range of the function f , i.e. $rng(f) \coloneqq Im(f)$,
	e.g. $\operatorname{rng}(\operatorname{id} : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{Z}$
f^{-1}	the inverse of the function f
$f\restriction D$	the restriction of the function f to the domain D
$f(x)\downarrow$	the function f is defined on x , i.e. $x \in \text{dom}(f)$

C.3 Logic

-	logic negation
\wedge	logic and / lattice meet
\vee	logic or / lattice join
$\underline{\vee}$	exclusive logic or, i.e. $A \buildrel B \equiv A \land \neg B \lor \neg A \land B$
\implies	implies
\iff	if and only if
Ξ	existential quantifier
\forall	universal quantifier
$\phi(\overline{x})$	formula ϕ with the list of free parameters \overline{x}
$\phi\equiv\psi$	the formula ϕ is equivalent to the formula ψ
$\mathcal{M} \models \phi$	the formula ϕ is true in the model \mathcal{M}
$T \models \phi$	the formula ϕ is true in every model of the theory T
$T\vdash \phi$	the formula ϕ is provable from the theory T
$\mathcal{M} \preceq_{\Sigma_n} \mathcal{N}$	\mathcal{M} is a Σ_n elementary substructure (or submodel) of \mathcal{N}

C.4 Set Theory

the empty set
set membership relation
set intersection
set union
disjoint set union
set difference, i.e. $A \setminus B \coloneqq A - B$
symmetric difference, i.e. $A \triangle B \coloneqq A \cup B - A \cap B$
strict subset relation
subset relation
complement of the set A
the Cartesian product of the set A and B

$\mathcal{P}(A)$	the powerset of the set A
#A	the cardinality of the set A, i.e. $#A = A $
ω	the first infinite ordinal
ω_1^{CK}	the Church-Kleene ordinal, i.e. the first uncomputable ordinal
$\operatorname{cf}(\alpha)$	the cofinality of an ordinal α
$\sigma_n \mathrm{cf}_\alpha(\delta)$	the $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ cofinality of δ
$\sigma_n \mathrm{cf}(\alpha)$	the $\Sigma_n(L_\alpha)$ cofinality of α
α	admissible ordinal
α^*	the projectum of α
$\sigma_n p(\alpha)$	the Σ_n -projectum of α
$\lim(\beta)$	β is a limit ordinal
\aleph_0	the first infinite cardinal
\aleph_{lpha}	$(1+\alpha)^{\text{th}}$ infinite cardinal
$\operatorname{Def}(\mathcal{M})$	the first-order definable sets over the model $\mathcal M$
L_{γ}	$\gamma^{\rm th}$ level of Gödel's constructible hierarchy
$L[A]_{\gamma}$	$\gamma^{\rm th}$ level of Gödel's constructible hierarchy with a parameter A
L	Gödel's constructible universe
V	von Neumann's universe
\mathcal{O}	Kleene's \mathcal{O} - the set of ordinal notations in \mathbb{N}
	for computable ordinals
Ord	the class of all ordinals
∞	element of order type Ord
$[\gamma, \delta)$	half-closed, half-open ordinal number interval, i.e. $[\gamma,\delta)\coloneqq\delta\setminus\gamma$
$[\gamma,\delta]$	closed ordinal number interval, i.e. $[\gamma, \delta] \coloneqq (\delta \setminus \gamma) \cup \{\delta\}$

C.5 β -rational numbers and strings

Q_{eta}	set of β -rational numbers
R_{eta}	set of β -real numbers
I_{β}	the β -real number unit interval
λ	the empty string
$\sigma \cdot au$	the concatenation of the string σ with the string τ
\triangleleft^γ	the concatenation of γ zero characters
$ ho, \sigma, \tau, \upsilon$	strings bounded in β , β -rational numbers
$\operatorname{ot}(\sigma)$	order type of a string σ , e.g. $\operatorname{ot}(\operatorname{ded}) = 4$, $\operatorname{ot}(\operatorname{ded}) = \omega + 2$
$\sigma\restriction\gamma$	restriction of a string σ to the characters
	at the position less than γ , e.g. $\triangleleft \triangleleft \triangleright \triangleleft \uparrow 3 = \triangleleft \triangleleft \triangleright$
$\sigma[\gamma]$	the character at the position γ of the string σ , e.g. $(\triangleright \triangleleft)[1] = \triangleleft$
$\sigma[\gamma, \delta]$	the closed interval of the string σ from $\sigma[\gamma]$ to $\sigma[\delta]$,

e.g. $(\operatorname{ADAA})[1,3] = \operatorname{DAA}$

 $\inf_A(B) \quad A$ -infimum of the set B, see 5.4.3

 $\sup_A(B)$ A-supremum of the set B, see 5.4.3

C.6 α -Computability Theory

A	complement of A, i.e. $\overline{A} \coloneqq \alpha - A$
$A \oplus B$	α -computable join of sets A and B
π_l	projection, i.e. $\pi_l(\langle x_1, \ldots, x_n \rangle) = x_l$
λ	λ operator in α -calculus, e.g. $\lambda x.x = id : x \mapsto x$
μ	μ operator, i.e. $\mu x[x \in A] = \min(A)$
Φ_e	(weak) α -enumeration operator
W_e	α -computably enumerable set
K_{γ}	β -finite set, i.e. $K_{\gamma} \in L_{\beta}$
\leq_T	Turing reducibility
\leq_e	enumeration reducibility
$\leq_{w\alpha}$	weak α -reducibility
\leq_{α}	α -reducibility
$\leq_{w\alpha e}$	weak α -enumeration reducibility
$\leq_{\alpha e}$	α -enumeration reducibility
$A _r B$	sets A and B are incomparable wrt r -reducibility,
	i.e. $A \not\leq_r B$ and $A \not\geq_r B$
$\mathcal{D}_{T}=\mathcal{P}\left(\omega\right)/\equiv_{T}$	set of Turing degrees
$\mathcal{D}_{e}=\mathcal{P}\left(\omega ight)/\equiv_{e}$	set of the enumeration degrees
\mathcal{TOT}_e	set of the total enumeration degrees
$\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}=\mathcal{P}\left(\alpha\right)/\equiv_{\alpha}$	set of α -degrees
$\mathcal{D}_{\alpha e}=\mathcal{P}\left(\alpha\right)/\equiv_{\alpha e}$	set of the α -enumeration degrees
${\cal TOT}_{lpha e}$	set of the total α -enumeration degrees
$\deg_{\alpha}(A)$	α -degree of a set A
$\deg_{\alpha e}(A)$	α -enumeration degree of a set A
K(A)	weak α -jump of a set A
$J_{w\alpha e}(A)$	weak α -enumeration jump of a set A
$J_{\alpha e}(A)$	α -enumeration jump of a set A
$J^{(n)}_{\alpha e}(A)$	$n^{\mathrm{th}} \alpha$ -enumeration jump of a set A
A^+	enumeration of a set A
A^-	enumeration of a set \overline{A}
$\mathrm{QF}(\mathcal{A})$	the class of quantifier free formulas
	with parameters from \mathcal{A}
$\Delta_n^0, \Sigma_n^0, \Pi_n^0$	definability classes of the arithmetical hierarchy

$\Delta_n, \Sigma_n, \Pi_n$	definability classes of the arithmetical hierarchy
$\Delta_n^1, \Sigma_n^1, \Pi_n^1$	definability classes of the analytical hierarchy
$\Sigma_1(L_{\alpha})$	the class of Σ_1^0 formulas with parameters in L_{lpha}
	or sets definable with such formulas
$\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A)$	the class of Σ_1^0 formulas over L_{α} with A as a param.
$\Sigma_1(L_\alpha, A^+)$	the class of Σ_1^0 formulas over L_{α} with A as
	a positive parameter
$\langle L_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$	extended model with a parameter $\mathcal{B} \in \{B, B^+, B^-\}$,
	see 3.4.5
$\operatorname{sc}(L_{\alpha})$	the class of α -semicomputable sets
$\mathcal{K}_U(A,B)$	U -Kalimullin pair, U - \mathcal{K} -pair
$\mathcal{K}(A,B)$	Kalimullin pair, \mathcal{K} -pair
$\mathcal{K}_{\mathrm{nt}}(A,B)$	nontrivial Kalimullin pair
$\mathcal{K}_{\max}(A,B)$	maximal Kalimullin pair
psup	pseudosupremum function, see 3.5.1
fin	finiteness predicate, i.e. $fin(A) \iff #A < \aleph_0$

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