# Effective coding and decoding structures. <br> Logic Colloquium 2019 

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## Borel embedding

## Definition (Friedman-Stanley, 1989)

We say that a class $\mathcal{K}$ of structures is Borel embeddable in a class of structures $\mathcal{K}^{\prime}$, and we write $\mathcal{K} \leq_{B} \mathcal{K}^{\prime}$, if there is a Borel function $\Phi: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}^{\prime}$ such that for $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{B}$ iff $\Phi(\mathcal{A}) \cong \Phi(\mathcal{B})$.

## Theorem

The following classes lie on top under $\leq_{B}$.
(1) undirected graphs (Lavrov,1963; Nies, 1996; Marker, 2002)
(2) fields of any fixed characteristic (Friedman-Stanley; R. Miller-Poonen-Schoutens-Shlapentokh, 2018)
(3) 2-step nilpotent groups ( Mal'tsev, 1949; Mekler, 1981)
(9) linear orderings (Friedman-Stanley)

## Turing computable embeddings

## Definition (Calvert-Cummins-Knight-S. Miller, 2004)

We say that a class $\mathcal{K}$ is Turing computably embedded in a class $\mathcal{K}^{\prime}$, and we write $\mathcal{K} \leq_{\text {tc }} \mathcal{K}^{\prime}$, if there is a Turing operator $\Phi: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}^{\prime}$ such that for all $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{B}$ iff $\Phi(\mathcal{A}) \cong \Phi(\mathcal{B})$.

A Turing computable embedding represents an effective coding procedure.
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(0) 2-step nilpotent groups

- linear orderings


## Medvedev reducibility

A problem is a subset of $2^{\omega}$ or $\omega^{\omega}$.
Problem $P$ is Medvedev reducible to problem $Q$ if there is a Turing operator $\Phi$ that takes elements of $Q$ to elements of $P$.

## Definition

We say that $\mathcal{A}$ is Medvedev reducible to $\mathcal{B}$, and we write $\mathcal{A} \leq_{s} \mathcal{B}$, if there is a Turing operator that takes copies of $\mathcal{B}$ to copies of $\mathcal{A}$.

Supposing that $\mathcal{A}$ is coded in $\mathcal{B}$, a Medvedev reduction of $\mathcal{A}$ to $\mathcal{B}$ represents an effective decoding procedure.

## Effective interpretability

## Definition (Montlbán)

A structure $\mathcal{A}=\left(A, R_{i}\right)$ is effectively interpreted in a structure $\mathcal{B}$ if there is a set $D \subseteq \mathcal{B}^{<\omega}$, computable $\Sigma_{1}$-definable over $\emptyset$, and there are relations $\sim$ and $R_{i}^{*}$ on $D$, computable $\Delta_{1}$-definable over $\emptyset$, such that $\left(D, R_{i}^{*}\right) / \sim \cong \mathcal{A}$.

## Definition (R. Miller)

A computable functor from $\mathcal{B}$ to $\mathcal{A}$ is a pair of Turing operators $\Phi, \Psi$ such that $\Phi$ takes copies of $\mathcal{B}$ to copies of $\mathcal{A}$ and $\psi$ takes isomorphisms between copies of $\mathcal{B}$ to isomorphisms between the corresponding copies of $\mathcal{A}$, so as to preserve identity and composition.

## Equivalence

The main result gives the equivalence of the two definitions.
Theorem (Harrison-Trainor, Melnikov, R. Miller and Montalbán)
For structures $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{A}$ is effectively interpreted in $\mathcal{B}$ iff there is a computable functor $\Phi, \Psi$ from $\mathcal{B}$ to $\mathcal{A}$.

Corollary
If $\mathcal{A}$ is effectively interpreted in $\mathcal{B}$, then $\mathcal{A} \leq{ }_{s} \mathcal{B}$.

## Coding and Decoding

## Proposition (Kalimullin, 2010)

There exist $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{B}$ such that $\mathcal{A} \leq_{s} \mathcal{B}$ but $\mathcal{A}$ is not effectively interpreted in $\mathcal{B}$.

## Proposition

If $\mathcal{A}$ is computable, then it is effectively interpreted in all structures $\mathcal{B}$.

## Proof.

Let $D=\mathcal{B}^{<\omega}$. Let $\bar{b} \sim \bar{c}$ if $\bar{b}, \bar{c}$ are tuples of the same length. For simplicity, suppose $\mathcal{A}=(\omega, R)$, where $R$ is binary. If $\mathcal{A} \models R(m, n)$, then $R^{*}(\bar{b}, \bar{c})$ for all $\bar{b}$ of length $m$ and $\bar{c}$ of length $n$. Thus, $\left(D, R^{*}\right) / \sim \cong \mathcal{A}$.

## Borel interpretability

Harrison-Trainor, Miller and Montlbán, 2018, defined Borel versions of the notion of effective interpretation and computable functor.

## Definition

(1) For a Borel interpretation of $\mathcal{A}=\left(A, R_{i}\right)$ in $\mathcal{B}$ the set $D \subseteq \mathcal{B}^{<\omega}$ the relations $\sim$ and $R_{i}^{*}$ on $D$, are definable by formulas of $L_{\omega_{1} \omega}$.
(2) For a Borel functor from $\mathcal{B}$ to $\mathcal{A}$, the operators $\Phi$ and $\Psi$ are Borel.

Their main result gives the equivalence of the two definitions.
Theorem (Harrison-Trainor, Miller and Montlbán)
A structure $\mathcal{A}$ is interpreted in $\mathcal{B}$ using $L_{\omega_{1} \omega}$-formulas iff there is a Borel functor $\Phi, \Psi$ from $\mathcal{B}$ to $\mathcal{A}$.

## Graphs and linear orderings

Graphs and linear orderings both lie on top under Turing computable embeddings.

Graphs also lie on top under effective interpretation.
Question: What about linear orderings under effective interpretation?
And under using $L_{\omega_{1} \omega}$-formulas?

## Interpreting graphs in linear orderings

## Proposition

There is a graph $G$ such that for all linear orderings $L, G \not \leq_{s} L$.

## Proof.

Let $S$ be a non-computable set. Let $G$ be a graph such that every copy computes $S$.
We may take $G$ to be a "daisy" graph", consisting of a center node with a "petal" of length $2 n+3$ if $n \in S$ and $2 n+4$ if $n \notin S$.
Now, apply:

## Proposition (Richter)

For a linear ordering $L$, the only sets computable in all copies of $L$ are the computable sets.

## Interpreting a graph in the jump of linear ordering

We are identifying a structure $\mathcal{A}$ with its atomic diagram. We may consider an interpretation of $\mathcal{A}$ in the jump $\mathcal{B}^{\prime}$ of $\mathcal{B}$. Note that the relations definable in $\mathcal{B}^{\prime}$ by computable $\Sigma_{1}$ relations are the ones definable in $\mathcal{B}$ by computable $\Sigma_{2}$ relations.

## Proposition

There is a graph $G$ such that for all linear orderings $L, G \not \leq_{s} L^{\prime}$.

## Proof.

Let $S$ be a non- $\Delta_{2}^{0}$ set. Let $G$ be a graph such that every copy computes $S$. Then apply:

## Proposition (Knight, 1986)

For a linear ordering $L$, the only sets computable in all copies of $L^{\prime}$ (or in the jumps of all copies of $L$ ), are the $\Delta_{2}^{0}$ sets.

## Interpreting a graph in the second jump of linear ordering

## Proposition

For any set $S$, there is a linear ordering $L$ such that for all copies of $L$, the second jump of $L$ computes $S$.

## Proof.

We may take $L$ to be a "shuffle sum" of $n+1$ for $n \in S \oplus S^{c}$ and $\omega$.

## Proposition

For any graph $G$, there is a linear ordering $L$ such that $G \leq_{s} L^{\prime \prime}$. In fact, $G$ is interpreted in $L$ using computable $\Sigma_{3}$ formulas.

## Proof.

Let $S$ be the diagram of a specific copy $G_{0}$ of $G$ and let $L$ be a linear order such that $S \leq_{s} L^{\prime \prime}$. We have computable functor that takes the second jump of any copy of $L$ to $G_{0}$, and takes all isomorphisms between copies of $L$ to the identity isomorphism on $G_{0}$.

## Friedman-Stanley embedding of graphs in orderings

Friedman and Stanley determined a Turing computable embedding $L: G \rightarrow L(G)$, where $L(G)$ is a sub-ordering of $\mathbb{Q}^{<\omega}$ under the lexicographic ordering.
(1) Let $\left(A_{n}\right)_{n \in \omega}$ be an effective partition of $\mathbb{Q}$ into disjoint dense sets.
(2) Let $\left(t_{n}\right)_{1 \leq n}$ be a list of the atomic types in the language of directed graphs.

## Definition

For a graph $G$, the elements of $L(G)$ are the finite sequences $r_{0} q_{1} r_{1} \ldots r_{n-1} q_{n} r_{n} k \in \mathbb{Q}^{<\omega}$ such that for $i<n, r_{i} \in A_{0}, r_{n} \in A_{1}$, and for some $a_{1}, \ldots, a_{n} \in G$, satisfying $t_{m}, q_{i} \in A_{a_{i}}$ and $k<m$.

No uniform interpretation of $G$ in $L(G)$

Theorem
There are not $L_{\omega_{1} \omega}$ formulas that, for all graphs $G$, interpret $G$ in $L(G)$.
The idea of Proof: We may think of an ordering as a directed graph. It is enough to show the following.

## Proposition

$1 \omega_{1}^{C K}$ is not interpreted in $L\left(\omega_{1}^{C K}\right)$ using computable infinitary formulas.
2 For all $X, \omega_{1}^{X}$ is not interpreted in $L\left(\omega_{1}^{X}\right)$ using $X$-computable infinitary formulas.

## Proof of (1)

The Harrison ordering $H$ has order type $\omega_{1}^{C K}(1+\eta)$. It has a computable copy.

Let $I$ be the initial segment of $H$ of order type $\omega_{1}^{C K}$. Thinking of $H$ as a directed graph, we can form the linear ordering $L(H)$. We consider $L(I) \subseteq L(H)$.

## Lemma

$L(I)$ is a computable infinitary elementary substructure of $L(H)$.

## Proposition (Main)

There do not exist computable infinitary formulas that define an interpretation of $H$ in $L(H)$ and an interpretation of $I$ in $L(I)$.

To prove (1), we suppose that there are computable infinitary formulas interpreting $\omega_{1}^{C K}$ in $L\left(\omega_{1}^{C K}\right)$. Using Barwise Compactness theorem, we get essentially $H$ and $I$ with these formulas interpreting $H$ in $L(H)$ and $I$ in $L(I)$.

## Proof of the Proposition(Main)

## Lemma

(1) For any $\bar{b} \in L(I)$, and $c \in L(I)$ there is an automorphism of $L(I)$ taking $\bar{b}$ to a tuple $\bar{b}^{\prime}$ entirely to the right of $c$.
(2) For any $\bar{b} \in L(I)$, and $c \in L(I)$ there is also an automorphism taking $\bar{b}$ to a tuple $\bar{b}^{\prime \prime}$ entirely to the left of $c$.

## Lemma

Suppose that we have computable $\Sigma_{\gamma}$ formulas $D, \otimes$ and $\sim$, defining an interpretation of $H$ in $L(H)$ and $I$ in $L(I)$. Then in $D^{L(I)}$ there is a fixed $n$, and there are $n$-tuples, all satisfying the same $\Sigma_{\gamma}$ formulas, and representing arbitrarily large ordinals $\alpha<\omega_{1}^{C K}$.

We arrive at a contradiction by producing tuples $\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime}, \bar{c}$ in $D^{L(I)}, \bar{b}$ and $\bar{b}^{\prime}$ are automorphic, $\bar{b}, \bar{c}$ and $\bar{c}, \bar{b}^{\prime}$ satisfy the same $\Sigma_{\gamma}$ formulas, and the ordinal represented by $\bar{b}$ and $\bar{b}^{\prime}$ is smaller than that represented by $\bar{c}$. Then $\bar{b}, \bar{c}$ should satisfy $\theta$, while $\bar{c}, \bar{b}^{\prime}$ should not.

## Conjecture

We believe that Friedman and Stanley did the best that could be done.
Conjecture. For any Turing computable embedding $\Theta$ of graphs in orderings, there do not exist $L_{\omega_{1} \omega}$ formulas that, for all graphs $G$, define an interpretation of $G$ in $\Theta(G)$.
M. Harrison-Trainor and A. Montlbán came to a similar result very recently by a totally different construction. Their result is that there exist structures which cannot be computably recovered from their tree of tuples. They proved:
(1) There is a structure $\mathcal{A}$ with no computable copy such that $T(\mathcal{A})$ has a computable copy.
(2) For each computable ordinal $\alpha$ there is a structure $\mathcal{A}$ such that the Friedman and Stanley Borel interpretation $L(\mathcal{A})$ is computable but $\mathcal{A}$ has no $\Delta_{\alpha}^{0}$ copy.

## Mal'tsev embedding of fields in groups

If $F$ is a field, we denote by $H(F)$ the multiplicative group of matrices of kind

$$
h(a, b, c)=\left(\begin{array}{lll}
1 & a & b \\
0 & 1 & c \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right)
$$

where $a, b, c \in F$. Note that $h(0,0,0)=1$.
Groups of kind $H(F)$ are known as Heisenberg groups.
Theorem (Mal'tsev)
There is a copy of $F$ defined in $H(F)$ with parameters.

## Natural isomorphisms

For a non-commuting pair $(u, v)$, where $u=h\left(u_{1}, u_{2}, u_{3}\right)$ and $v=h\left(v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}\right)$, let

$$
\Delta_{(u, v)}=\left|\begin{array}{ll}
u_{1} & u_{2} \\
v_{1} & v_{2}
\end{array}\right|
$$

Theorem
The function $f$ that takes $x \in F$ to $h\left(0,0, \Delta_{(u, v) \cdot F} x\right)$ is an isomorphism.

## Morozov's isomorphism

## Lemma (Morozov)

Let $(u, v)$ and $\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right)$ be non-commuting pairs in $G=H(F)$. Let $F_{(u, v)}$ and $F_{\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right)}$ be the copies of $F$ defined in $G$ with these pairs of parameters. There is an isomorphism $g$ from $F_{(u, v)}$ onto $F_{\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right)}$ defined in $G$ by an existential formula with parameters $u, v, u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}$.

Note that $\Delta_{(u, v)}$ is the multiplicative identity in $F_{(u, v)}$.
Let $g(x)=y \Longleftrightarrow x=\Delta_{(u, v)} \cdot\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right) y$.

## Computable functor

## Theorem

There is a computable functor $\Phi, \Psi$ from $H(F)$ to $F$.

- For $G \cong H(F), \Phi(G)$ is the copy of $F$ obtained by taking the first non-commuting pair $(u, v)$ in $G$ and forming $(D ;+; \cdot(u, v))$.
- Take $\left(G_{1}, f, G_{2}\right)$, where $G_{i}=H(F)$, and $G_{1} \cong_{f} G_{2}$. Let $(u, v),\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right)$ be the first non-commuting pairs in $G_{1}, G_{2}$, respectively.
- Let $h$ be the isomorphism from $F_{(f(u), f(v))}$ onto $F_{\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right)}$ defined in $G_{2}$ with parameters $f(u), f(v), u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}$.
- Let $f^{\prime}$ be the restriction of $f$ to the center of $G_{1}$.
- Then $\Psi\left(G_{1}, f, G_{2}\right)=h \circ f^{\prime}$.


## Finitely existential interpretation and generalizing

Corollary (Alvir,Calvert,Harizanov, Knight,Miller,Morozov,S,Weisshaar) $F$ is effectively interpreted in $H(F)$.
$(u, v, x) \sim\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}, x^{\prime}\right)$ holds if Morozov's isomorphism from $F_{(u, v)}$ to $F_{\left(u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}\right)}$ takes $x$ to $x^{\prime}$.

## Proposition

Suppose $\mathcal{A}$ has a copy $\mathcal{A}_{\bar{b}}$ defined in $(\mathcal{B}, \bar{b})$, using computable $\Sigma_{1}$ formulas, where the orbit of $\bar{b}$ is defined by a computable $\Sigma_{1}$ formula $\varphi(\bar{x})$. Suppose also that there is a computable $\Sigma_{1}$ formula $\psi\left(\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime}, u, v\right)$ that, for any tuples $\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime}$ satisfying $\varphi(\bar{x})$, defines a specific isomorphism $f_{\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime}}$ from $\mathcal{A}_{\bar{b}}$ onto $\mathcal{A}_{\bar{b}^{\prime}}$. We suppose that for each $\bar{b}$ satisfying $\varphi, f_{\bar{b}, \bar{b}}$ is the identity isomorphism, and for any $\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime}$, and $\overline{b^{\prime \prime}}$ satisfying $\varphi$, $f_{\bar{b}^{\prime}, \bar{b}^{\prime \prime}} \circ f_{\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime}}=f_{\bar{b}, \bar{b}^{\prime \prime}}$. Then there is an effective interpretation of $\mathcal{A}$ in $\mathcal{B}$.

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