Effective coding and decoding structures. 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  $\mathcal{K}'$ , and we write  $\mathcal{K} \leq_B \mathcal{K}'$ , if there is a Borel function  $\Phi : \mathcal{K} \to \mathcal{K}'$  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  $\leq_B$ .

- undirected graphs (Lavrov, 1963; Nies, 1996; Marker, 2002)
- fields of any fixed characteristic (Friedman-Stanley; R. Miller-Poonen-Schoutens-Shlapentokh, 2018)
- 2-step nilpotent groups (Mal'tsev, 1949; Mekler, 1981)
- linear orderings (Friedman-Stanley)

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# Turing computable embeddings

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

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

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## 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 A is coded in B, a Medvedev reduction of A to B represents an effective decoding procedure.

## Effective interpretability

### Definition (Montlbán)

A structure  $\mathcal{A} = (A, R_i)$  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  $(D, R_i^*)/_{\sim} \cong \mathcal{A}$ .

#### 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.

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# 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  $\overline{b} \sim \overline{c}$  if  $\overline{b}, \overline{c}$  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  $R^*(\overline{b}, \overline{c})$  for all  $\overline{b}$  of length m and  $\overline{c}$  of length n. Thus,  $(D, R^*)/_{\sim} \cong \mathcal{A}$ .

## Borel interpretability

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

#### Definition

- For a Borel interpretation of  $\mathcal{A} = (A, R_i)$  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.

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#### 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  $\mathcal{A}$ .

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# 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?

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# 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 2n + 3 if  $n \in S$  and 2n + 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  $\mathcal{B}'$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ . Note that the relations definable in  $\mathcal{B}'$  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,  $G \not\leq_s L'$ .

### 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' (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  $G \leq_s L''$ . 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  $S \leq_s L''$ . 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  $L: G \to L(G)$ , where L(G) is a sub-ordering of  $\mathbb{Q}^{<\omega}$  under the lexicographic ordering.

- Let  $(A_n)_{n \in \omega}$  be an effective partition of  $\mathbb{Q}$  into disjoint dense sets.
- e Let (t<sub>n</sub>)<sub>1≤n</sub> 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  $r_0q_1r_1 \ldots r_{n-1}q_nr_nk \in \mathbb{Q}^{<\omega}$  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  $\omega_1^{CK}$  is not interpreted in  $L(\omega_1^{CK})$  using computable infinitary formulas.
- 2 For all X,  $\omega_1^X$  is not interpreted in  $L(\omega_1^X)$  using X-computable infinitary formulas.

# Proof of (1)

The Harrison ordering H has order type  $\omega_1^{CK}(1+\eta)$ . It has a computable copy.

Let I be the initial segment of H of order type  $\omega_1^{CK}$ . 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  $\omega_1^{CK}$  in  $L(\omega_1^{CK})$ . 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

- For any  $\overline{b} \in L(I)$ , and  $c \in L(I)$  there is an automorphism of L(I) taking  $\overline{b}$  to a tuple  $\overline{b}'$  entirely to the right of c.
- For any b
   ∈ L(I), and c ∈ L(I) there is also an automorphism taking b
   to a tuple b
   " entirely to the left of c.

#### Lemma

Suppose that we have computable  $\Sigma_{\gamma}$  formulas D,  $\bigotimes$  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  $\alpha < \omega_1^{CK}$ .

We arrive at a contradiction by producing tuples  $\bar{b}, \bar{b}', \bar{c}$  in  $D^{L(I)}, \bar{b}$  and  $\bar{b}'$  are automorphic,  $\bar{b}, \bar{c}$  and  $\bar{c}, \bar{b}'$  satisfy the same  $\Sigma_{\gamma}$  formulas, and the ordinal represented by  $\bar{b}$  and  $\bar{b}'$  is smaller than that represented by  $\bar{c}$ . Then  $\bar{b}, \bar{c}$  should satisfy  $\bigotimes$ , while  $\bar{c}, \bar{b}'$  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 :

- There is a structure A with no computable copy such that T(A) has a computable copy.
- Prove the computable ordinal α there is a structure A such that the Friedman and Stanley Borel interpretation L(A) is computable but A has no Δ<sup>0</sup><sub>α</sub> 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

$$h(a, b, c) = \left(egin{array}{ccc} 1 & a & b \ 0 & 1 & c \ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}
ight)$$

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  $u = h(u_1, u_2, u_3)$  and  $v = h(v_1, v_2, v_3)$ , let

$$\Delta_{(u,v)} = \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Theorem

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

## Morozov's isomorphism

### Lemma (Morozov)

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

Note that  $\Delta_{(u,v)}$  is the multiplicative identity in  $F_{(u,v)}$ . Let  $g(x) = y \iff x = \Delta_{(u,v)} \cdot_{(u',v')} y$ .

## Computable functor

#### Theorem

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

- For G ≃ H(F), Φ(G) is the copy of F obtained by taking the first non-commuting pair (u, v) in G and forming (D; +; ·(u,v)).
- Take  $(G_1, f, G_2)$ , where  $G_i = H(F)$ , and  $G_1 \cong_f G_2$ . Let (u, v), (u', v') be the first non-commuting pairs in  $G_1, G_2$ , respectively.
  - Let h be the isomorphism from F<sub>(f(u),f(v))</sub> onto F<sub>(u',v')</sub> defined in G<sub>2</sub> with parameters f(u), f(v), u', v'.
  - Let f' be the restriction of f to the center of  $G_1$ .

• Then 
$$\Psi(G_1, f, G_2) = h \circ f'$$
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# Finitely existential interpretation and generalizing

Corollary (Alvir, Calvert, Harizanov, Knight, Miller, Morozov, S, Weisshaar) F is effectively interpreted in H(F).

 $(u, v, x) \sim (u', v', x')$  holds if Morozov's isomorphism from  $F_{(u,v)}$  to  $F_{(u',v')}$  takes x to x'.

### 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  $\psi(\bar{b}, \bar{b}', u, v)$  that, for any tuples  $\bar{b}$ ,  $\bar{b}'$  satisfying  $\varphi(\bar{x})$ , defines a specific isomorphism  $f_{\bar{b},\bar{b}'}$  from  $\mathcal{A}_{\bar{b}}$  onto  $\mathcal{A}_{\bar{b}'}$ . We suppose that for each  $\bar{b}$  satisfying  $\varphi$ ,  $f_{\bar{b},\bar{b}}$  is the identity isomorphism, and for any  $\bar{b}$ ,  $\bar{b}'$ , and  $\bar{b}''$  satisfying  $\varphi$ ,  $f_{\bar{b},\bar{b}} = f_{\bar{b},\bar{b}''}$ . Then there is an effective interpretation of  $\mathcal{A}$  in  $\mathcal{B}$ .

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