

# **Aspects of the Turing Jump**

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## The Turing Jump

**Definition 1** The *Turing Jump* is the function which maps a set  $X \subseteq \omega$  to  $X'$ , the halting problem relative to  $X$ .

$$X' = \left\{ e : \begin{array}{l} \text{The } e\text{th Turing machine} \\ \text{with oracle } X \text{ halts} \end{array} \right\}$$

The Turing degree of  $X'$  depends only on the Turing degree of  $X$ , so the jump induces a function on the Turing degrees  $\mathcal{D}$ .

## **Empirical Observation**

The degree  $0'$  is just as well represented by the set of validities in first order logic, the set of true existential statements in first order arithmetic, or any of a variety of other undecidable sets.

In fact, it seems that for every canonical recursively enumerable set  $W$ , if  $W$  is not recursive then  $W$  has degree  $0'$ .

## Topics to be Discussed

- Properties of the jump and of the hierarchy of definability which it generates.
- The jump's intrinsic role within any hierarchy of definability.
- A purely degree theoretic characterization of the jump.
- Recursive enumerability—examined in similar terms.

## Two Prototype Theorems

**Theorem 2 (Friedberg Inversion, 1957)** *Suppose that  $c \geq_T 0'$ . Then there is a  $g$  such that  $g' = c$ .*

Every sufficiently complicated degree is the jump of some degree.

**Theorem 3 (Posner and Robinson Join, 1981)**  
*Suppose that  $0 \not\leq_T x$ . Then there is a  $g$  such that  $x + g = g'$ .*

Every nontrivial degree is the jump *relative to* some other degree.

## The Arithmetic Hierarchy

**Definition 4** 1.  $\Sigma_0^0$  and  $\Pi_0^0$  denote the collection of formulas in first order arithmetic in which every quantifier is bounded.

2.  $\Sigma_{n+1}^0$  denotes the collection of formulas in first order arithmetic of the form  $(\exists n_1, \dots, n_k)\psi$  in which  $\psi \in \Pi_n^0$ .

3.  $\Pi_{n+1}^0$  denotes the collection of formulas in first order arithmetic of the form  $(\forall n_1, \dots, n_k)\psi$  in which  $\psi \in \Sigma_n^0$ .

**Definition 5** 1.  $X \subseteq \omega$  is  $\Sigma_n^0$  or  $\Pi_n^0$  if and only if it is definable in arithmetic by a formula in the corresponding class.

2.  $X \subseteq \omega$  is  $\Delta_n^0$  if and only if it is both  $\Sigma_n^0$  and  $\Pi_n^0$ .

## Correlation with the Jump

**Theorem 6 (Post)** 1. (a)  $X$  is  $\Delta_1^0$  if and only if it is recursive.

(b)  $X$  is  $\Sigma_1^0$  if and only if it is recursively enumerable.

2. (a)  $X$  is  $\Delta_{n+1}^0$  if and only if it is recursive in  $\emptyset^{(n)}$ .

(b)  $X$  is  $\Sigma_{n+1}^0$  if and only if it is recursively enumerable in  $\emptyset^{(n)}$ .

## The Hyperarithmetical Hierarchy

Davis (1950) extended the arithmetic hierarchy into the transfinite by iterating the jump along recursive wellorderings of  $\omega$ . At limits  $\lambda$ , he used the recursive presentation of  $\lambda$  to form the recursive join of the sets associated (by that presentation) to ordinals less than  $\lambda$ .

Spector (1955) showed that any two sets associated with the same ordinal have the same Turing degree. So we have robust notions of  $\Sigma_\alpha^0$ ,  $\Pi_\alpha^0$ , and  $\Delta_\alpha^0$ .

**Example 7**  $\{(n, m) : m \in \emptyset^{(n)}\}$  (the first order theory of arithmetic) represents the  $\omega$ th iteration of the jump.

## Correlation with Second Order Arithmetic

Kleene (1955) showed that a subset of  $\omega$  appears in the hyperarithmetical hierarchy if and only if it is  $\Delta_1^1$ . That is, it and its complement are definable in second order arithmetic by formulas of the form  $(\exists X \subseteq \omega)\psi$ , where  $\psi$  is  $\Pi_2^0$  relative to  $X$ .

So the hyperarithmetical hierarchy, based on iteration of the jump, resolves the class of  $\Delta_1^1$  subsets of  $\omega$ .

## Jockusch–Shore REA-Operators

**Definition 8 (Jockusch and Shore, 1984)** An *REA-operator* is a function  $J : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^\omega$  such that there is an  $e$  such that for all  $X$ ,  $J(X)$  is the join of  $X$  with the  $e$ th set which is recursively enumerable relative to  $X$ .  $J(X)$  is **Recursively Enumerable in and Above**  $X$ .

An  $\alpha$ -REA-operator is an  $\alpha$ -length iteration of REA-operators.

**Example 9** The canonical 2-REA operator is the map  $A \mapsto A''$ .

## Extensions of the Prototypes

### **Theorem 10 (Jockusch and Shore Inversion, 1984)**

*Suppose that  $C \geq_T \emptyset^{(\alpha)}$  and  $J$  is an  $\alpha$ -REA operator. There is a  $G$  such that  $J(G) \equiv_T C$ .*

Every sufficiently complicated degree is in the range of  $J$ .

### **Theorem 11 (Shore and Slaman Join, 1999)**

*Suppose that  $J$  is an  $\alpha$ -REA operator and for all  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $\emptyset^{(\beta)} \not\leq_T X$ . There is a  $G$  such that  $X \oplus G \equiv_T J(G)$ .*

Every nontrivial set represents the value of  $J$  relative to some set.

## On the Proof of the Posner–Robinson Join Theorem

Suppose that  $\emptyset \not\leq_T X$ . Posner and Robinson constructed a set  $G$  with the following properties.

- Every atomic statement about  $G'$  is decided by a Cohen condition on  $G$ .
- The recursion used to construct  $G$  is recursive in  $X \oplus G$ .

The recursive enumerability of  $\emptyset'$  is used in the recovery of the construction of  $G$  from  $X \oplus G$ .

## Kumabe–Slaman Forcing

Kumabe and Slaman introduced the following notion of forcing in their join theorem for the  $\omega$ -jump.

- A *condition* is a pair  $p = (\Phi_p, X_p)$  consisting of a finite description of a partial Turing functional and a finite subset of  $2^\omega$ .
- $q$  *extends*  $p$ , if  $\Phi_q$  adds values to  $\Phi_p$ , but not relative to any of the elements of  $X_p$ , and  $X_p \subseteq X_q$ .

## On the Proof of the Shore–Slaman Join Theorem

Suppose that for all  $\beta$  less than  $\alpha$ ,  $\emptyset^{(\beta)} \not\leq_T X$ . By applying the Jockusch-Shore Inversion Theorem, it is enough to build a  $\Phi$  with the following properties.

- Every atomic statement about  $\Phi^{(\alpha)}$  is decided by a Kumabe-Slaman condition on  $\Phi$
- $\Phi(X) = \Phi^{(\alpha)}$ . Hence,  $X \oplus \Phi \geq_T \Phi^{(\alpha)}$ .

Compactness, in the form of the Jockusch and Soare (1972) Low Basis Theorem, provides the conditions to decide atomic statements about  $\Phi^{(\alpha)}$  without deciding any additional values of  $\Phi(X)$ .

## Summary

- Iteration of the jump generates a proper hierarchy which stratifies the class of  $\Delta_1^1$  subsets of  $\omega$ .
- For every  $J$  in the REA hierarchy of functions,
  - every sufficiently complicated set has Turing degree in the range of  $J$ ,
  - for every nontrivial set  $X$ , there is a  $G$  such that  $X \oplus G$  is equivalent to  $J(G)$ .

## Skepticism

- Is the jump intrinsic?
  - Is there a canonical way to produce nonrecursive sets and avoid the Turing jump?
  - Is there another hierarchy for the  $\Delta_1^1$  sets?
- Is the jump degree theoretic?
  - Is the function  $x \mapsto x'$  first order definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ ?

## Is It Intrinsic?

How could one argue that the hyperarithmetic hierarchy is *not intrinsic*?

**Excellent.** Give an alternate development of the continuum, and natural models of the metamathematics on which that development is based. Prove that for each  $X \subseteq \omega$  the sets of reals in the models associated with  $X$  give an alternate stratification of the  $\Delta_1^1(X)$  subsets of  $\omega$ .

**Good.** Give an alternate method which, for each  $X \subseteq \omega$ , stratifies the  $\Delta_1^1(X)$  subsets of  $\omega$ , but without an accompanying semantics.

**Poor.** Construct a function which avoids the hyperarithmetic hierarchy, maps each  $X$  to a proper subset  $M(X)$  of  $\Delta_1^1(X)$ , and resembles mapping  $X$  to a collection of sets definable from  $X$ .

## Abstract Closure Operators

**Definition 12** A *closure operator* is a map  $M : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^{2^\omega}$  with the following properties.

1. For all  $X \in 2^\omega$ ,  $X \in M(X)$ .
2. For all  $X$  and for all  $Z$ , if  $Z$  is recursive in finitely many elements of  $M(X)$  then  $Z \in M(X)$ .  $M(X)$  is closed under relative computation.
3. For all  $X$  and  $Y$  in  $2^\omega$ , if  $X$  is recursive in  $Y$  then  $M(X) \subseteq M(Y)$ .  $M$  is monotone.

The functions mapping  $X$  to the collection of subsets of  $\omega$  recursive in  $X$ , recursive in  $X'$ , or arithmetically definable from  $X$  are closure operators.

## Comparing Closure Operators

**Definition 13** If  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are closure operators, then  $M_1 \leq M_2$  if there is a set of natural numbers  $B$ , such that for all  $X$ , if  $B$  is recursive in  $X$ , then  $M_1(X) \subseteq M_2(X)$ .

In other words,  $M_1 \leq M_2$  if for all sufficiently complicated  $X$ ,  $M_1(X) \subseteq M_2(X)$ . Say  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are *equivalent* if for all sufficiently complicated  $X$ ,  $M_1(X) = M_2(X)$ .

**Remark 14** This notion is a  $2^\omega \rightarrow 2^{2^\omega}$  variation on Martin's ordering of degree invariant functions on reals.

## The Hyperarithmetical Hierarchy is Intrinsic

**Theorem 15** *If  $M$  is a closure operator such that the relation  $Y \in M(X)$  is Borel, then one of the following conditions holds.*

- 1. There is a countable ordinal  $\alpha$  such that  $M$  is equivalent to the map  
 $X \mapsto \{Y : Y \text{ is recursive in } X^{(\alpha)}\}.$*
- 2. There is a countable ordinal  $\alpha$  such that  $M$  is equivalent to the map  
 $X \mapsto \{Y : (\exists \beta < \alpha)[Y \text{ is recursive in } X^{(\beta)}]\}.$*
- 3.  $M$  is equivalent to the map  $X \mapsto 2^\omega.$*

## Proof for a Special Case: The Jump

(Slaman and Steel, 1988) Suppose that  $M$  is a Borel closure operator such that for all  $X$ ,  $F(X)$  has an element which is not recursive in  $X$ .

1. Let  $A$  be a nonrecursive element of  $F(\emptyset)$ .
2. By the Posner–Robinson Join Theorem, fix  $G$  so that  $A \oplus G \equiv_T G'$ .
3. Then  $A \in F(\emptyset) \subseteq F(G)$ ,  $G \in F(G)$ , and so  $A \oplus G \equiv_T G' \in F(G)$ .
4. Relativizing (1)–(3) yields, for arbitrarily complicated  $G$ ,  $G' \in F(G)$ .
5. Apply Martin’s (1975) Borel Determinacy to conclude that for all sufficiently complicated  $X$ ,  $X' \in F(X)$ .

## Is It Degree Theoretic?

- Cooper (1990) claimed that the jump  $x \mapsto x'$  is first order definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ . Cooper's proof relied on the claim that there is a Lachlan-style priority construction to produce a d-r.e. degree with a nonsplitting property.
- Shore and Slaman (2000) proved that there is no d-r.e. degree as claimed. Shore and Slaman (1999) provided a different route to the definability of the jump, described in the next few slides.
- Cooper (2000) claimed that a variation on the 1990 approach can be used to define the jump.

We will say more about the d-r.e. approach when we turn from the jump to the relation of relative recursive enumerability.

## Automorphisms of $\mathcal{D}$

Consider this mathematically specious but plausible argument: Suppose that  $\pi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

**Fact 1.** (Jockusch and Shore, 1984) For every  $x$ ,  $\pi(x)$  is arithmetically definable relative to  $x$ .

**Plausibility 2.** There is one arithmetic definition  $\Pi$ , such that for all generic  $G \in 2^\omega$ ,  $\Pi(G)$  is an element of  $\pi(\text{degree}(G))$ .

**Fact 3.** (Jockusch and Posner, 1981) The degrees of any comeager subset of  $2^\omega$  generate  $\mathcal{D}$  by meet and join.

**Plausible conclusion.**  $\pi$  is induced by an arithmetic function on  $2^\omega$ .

## Slaman and Woodin Analysis of $\mathcal{D}$

**Theorem 16 (Slaman and Woodin, 1990)** *Suppose that  $\pi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathcal{D}$ .*

- 1.  $\pi$  is represented by an arithmetic function on  $2^\omega$ .  
(Hence the automorphism group of  $\mathcal{D}$  is countable.)*
- 2.  $\pi$  is the identity on all degrees greater than or equal to  $0''$ .*

## Definability in General and in Particular

**Theorem 17 (Slaman and Woodin, 1990)**  *$\mathcal{D}$  is rigid if and only if every degree invariant relation on  $2^\omega$  which is definable in second order arithmetic is definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ .*

**Question 18** Is there a nontrivial automorphism of  $\mathcal{D}$ ?

Cooper has claimed that the answer is yes.

**Theorem 19 (Slaman and Woodin, 1990)** *The function  $x \mapsto x''$  is definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ .*

## Defining the Turing Jump

**Theorem 20 (Shore and Slaman, 1999)**  $0'$  is defined in  $\mathcal{D}$  as the greatest degree  $z$  such that there is no  $g$  such that  $z + g = g''$ .

Prove Theorem 20 by combining Shore-Slaman Join Theorem with the definability of the double-jump.

**Theorem 21 (Shore and Slaman, 1999)** For each  $x$ ,  $x'$  is defined from  $x$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  as the greatest degree  $z$  such that there is no  $g \geq_T x$  such that  $z + g = g''$ .

## Recursive Enumerability

The relation  $W$  is recursively enumerable in  $X$  generates a finer hierarchy of degrees.

**Definition 22 (Ershov, 1968)** The *Difference Hierarchy*:

1. A set  $X$  is  $n$ -recursively enumerable if it has a recursive approximation  $X(k) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \psi(k, s)$  such that there are at most  $n$  many numbers  $s$  such that  $\psi(k, s + 1) \neq \psi(k, s)$ .
2.  $X$  is  $\alpha$ -recursively enumerable relative to a recursive system  $S$  of notations for  $\alpha$  if and only if there is a partial recursive function  $\psi$  such that for all  $k$ ,  $X(k)$  is equal to  $\psi(k, z)$ , where  $z$  is the  $S$ -least notation  $b$  such that  $\psi(k, b)$  converges.

The 2-r.e. sets are also called the d-r.e. sets.

## Correlation with $\Delta_2^0$

Jockusch and Shore (1984) showed that every  $\alpha$ -r.e. set is  $\alpha$ -REA. The converse fails, as every  $\alpha$ -re set is  $\Delta_2^0$ .

**Theorem 23 (Ershov, 1968)** *For every path  $S$  through  $\mathcal{O}$ , Kleene's complete set of notations for recursive ordinals, and for every set  $X \in \Delta_2^0$ ,  $X$  is  $\alpha$ -recursively enumerable relative to  $S$ .*

So the difference hierarchy resolves the class of  $\Delta_2^0$  subsets of  $\omega$ .

## Inversion and Join

**Inversion.** The Jockusch-Shore Inversion Theorem for  $\alpha$ -REA operators applies to  $\alpha$ -r.e. operators.

**Join.** It is not possible to strengthen the join theorem to apply to the sets whose degrees are not recursively enumerable.

**Theorem 24** *There is a 2-r.e. operator*

*$D : Z \mapsto D(Z) \geq_T Z$  and a 2-r.e. set  $X$  with the following properties.*

- 1.  $X$  is not of recursively enumerable degree.*
- 2. For all  $G \subseteq \omega$ ,  $X \oplus G \not\equiv_T D(G)$ .*

## Skepticism

- Is it intrinsic?
  - Is there a canonical way to produce nonrecursive  $\Delta_2^0$  sets which avoids recursive enumerability?
  - Is there another hierarchy for the  $\Delta_2^0$  sets?
- Is it degree theoretic?
  - Is the relation *w is recursively enumerable in x* first order definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ ?

## $\Sigma$ -Closure Operators

**Definition 25** A  $\Sigma$ -closure operator is a map  $M : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^{2^\omega}$  with the following properties.

1. For all  $X \in 2^\omega$ ,  $X \in M(X)$ .
2. For all  $X \in 2^\omega$  and all  $\{Z_1, \dots, Z_k\} \subseteq M(X)$ , every set which is Turing equivalent to the join  $\bigoplus_{i \leq k} Z_i$  is an element of  $M(X)$ .
3. For all  $X$  and  $Y$  in  $2^\omega$ , if  $X$  is recursive in  $Y$  then  $M(X) \subseteq M(Y)$ .

The maps sending  $X$  to the collection of sets with degree recursively enumerable in  $X$  or the collection of sets with degree 2-r.e. in  $X$  are  $\Sigma$ -closure operators which are not closure operators.

## REA is Intrinsic to Not Recursive

**Theorem 26** *For any Borel  $\Sigma$ -closure operator  $M$ , if there is a cone of  $X$ 's for which  $M(X) \not\subseteq \Delta_1^0(X)$ , then there is a cone of  $X$ 's such that  $M(X)$  contains all of the sets which are REA in  $X$ .*

Shore has pointed out that the REA and difference hierarchies give different resolutions of  $\Delta_2^0$ , so there is no classification as simply presented as the one for full closure operators.

## Is it Degree Theoretic?

Cooper (2000) claimed that the relation  $w$  is *recursively enumerable relative to  $x$*  is definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ , but his proof relied on a join principle for 2-r.e. operators which is contradicted by Theorem 24. Cooper has since claimed to use additional properties of specific 2-r.e. operators to circumvent this problem.

**Question 27** Is the relation  $w$  is *recursively enumerable relative to  $x$*  first order definable in  $\mathcal{D}$ ?