

# Relation of $\leq$ in $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$ and $\leq_{\tau}$ in $\mathbf{R}$

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**Abstract** It is proved that there are r. e. degrees  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  such that  $[\mathbf{c}] < [\mathbf{a}]$  and  $[\mathbf{b}] \neq [\mathbf{c}]$  for any r. e. degree  $\mathbf{b} \leq_{\tau} \mathbf{a}$ , where  $[\mathbf{a}]$  is an element of  $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$ , the quotient of the recursively enumerable degrees  $\mathbf{R}$  modulo the cappable degrees  $\mathbf{M}$ .

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## 1 Introduction

Ambos-Spies, Jockusch, Shore and Soare<sup>[1]</sup> proved that  $\mathbf{M}$ , the set of all the cappable r. e. degrees, is an ideal in  $\mathbf{R}$ ; that  $\mathbf{NC}$ , the set of all the noncappable r. e. degrees, is a filter in  $\mathbf{R}$ ; and that  $\mathbf{NC} = \mathbf{PS}$ , the set of all the promptly simple degrees. We have a quotient  $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$  of the r. e. degrees  $\mathbf{R}$  modulo the cappable degrees  $\mathbf{M}$ . An element in  $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$  is denoted by  $[\mathbf{a}]$ , the equivalence class of some r. e. degree  $\mathbf{a}$  under the equivalence relation  $\sim$ , where  $\mathbf{a} \sim \mathbf{b}$  iff

$$\exists c_1, c_2 \in \mathbf{M} (\mathbf{a} \cup c_1 = \mathbf{b} \cup c_2).$$

Given any  $[\mathbf{a}], [\mathbf{b}] \in \mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$ ,  $[\mathbf{a}] \leq [\mathbf{b}]$  if there is an r. e. degree  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbf{M}$  such that  $\mathbf{a} \leq \mathbf{b} \cup \mathbf{c}$ .  $[\mathbf{a}] < [\mathbf{b}]$  if  $[\mathbf{a}] \leq [\mathbf{b}]$  and  $[\mathbf{b}] \not\leq [\mathbf{a}]$ . Let  $[\mathbf{a}] \vee [\mathbf{b}]$  denote the least upper bound of  $[\mathbf{a}]$  and  $[\mathbf{b}]$ . It is easy to prove that  $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$  is an upper semilattice, and  $[\mathbf{a}] \vee [\mathbf{b}] = [\mathbf{a} \cup \mathbf{b}]$ . Schwarz<sup>[2]</sup> proved the downward density theorem in  $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$ . Ambos-Spies (quoted in Ref. [3]) commented that the downward density theorem in  $\mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$  follows directly from the Robinson's splitting theorem and the fact that  $\mathbf{NC} = \mathbf{LC}$ , the set of all the r. e. degrees which cup to  $\mathbf{0}'$  by low r. e. degrees.

By the definition of  $\leq$ , given any r. e. degrees  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$ , if  $\mathbf{c} \leq \mathbf{a}$  then  $[\mathbf{c}] \leq [\mathbf{a}]$ . Given any  $[\mathbf{a}]$  and  $[\mathbf{c}] \in \mathbf{R}/\mathbf{M}$  such that  $[\mathbf{c}] \leq [\mathbf{a}]$ , there is an r. e. degree  $\mathbf{b} \in [\mathbf{a}]$  such that  $\mathbf{c} \leq_{\tau} \mathbf{b}$ . In this paper, we shall show that there are r. e. degrees  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  such that  $[\mathbf{c}] < [\mathbf{a}]$  and for any r. e. degree  $\mathbf{b} \leq_{\tau} \mathbf{a}$ ,  $[\mathbf{b}] \neq [\mathbf{c}]$ .

Our notation is standard, as described by Soare<sup>[4]</sup>. A number  $x$  is *unused at stage  $s+1$*  if  $x \geq s$  is greater than any number used so far in the construction. If the oracle is a join of two sets, we assume that the use is computed on the two sets separately, i. e.,  $\Gamma(A \oplus E)(\gamma(x)+1; x) = \Gamma(A)(\gamma(x)+1) \oplus E(\gamma(x)+1; x)$ , where  $\gamma(x)$  is the use of  $\Gamma(A \oplus E; x)$ . If  $\gamma(x)$  moves to an unused number at stage  $s+1$ , then  $\gamma(x')$  moves for all  $x' \geq x$ , maintaining their order, to unused numbers. All use functions are assumed to be increasing in argument and nondecreasing in the stages.

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### 2 Main Theorem, Its Requirements and the Priority Tree

**Theorem 2.1.** There exist r. e. degrees  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  such that  $[\mathbf{c}] < [\mathbf{a}]$ , and for any r. e. degree  $\mathbf{b} \leq_{\tau} \mathbf{a}$ ,  $[\mathbf{b}] \neq [\mathbf{c}]$ .

*Proof.* We shall construct r. e. sets  $A, C, B, E$  and define a recursive functional  $\Gamma$  such that  $B$  and  $E$  are a minimal pair,  $C = \Gamma(A \oplus E)$ , and the construction will satisfy for every  $e \in \omega$  the following requirements:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_e : B \neq \omega - W_e, \\ \mathcal{M}_e : \Sigma_e(B) = \Sigma_e(E) = f_e \text{ total} \rightarrow f_e \leq_{\tau} \emptyset, \\ \mathcal{R}_e : D_e = \Phi_e(A) \& C = \Psi_e(D_e \oplus U_e) \& D_e = \Theta_e(C \oplus V_e) \rightarrow \text{deg}_{\tau}(U_e) \in \text{NC} \vee \text{deg}_{\tau}(V_e) \in \text{NC}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{(D_e, U_e, V_e, \Phi_e, \Psi_e, \Theta_e)\}$  is a standard enumeration of all such sextuples  $(D, U, V, \Phi, \Psi, \Theta)$  that  $D, U, V$  are r. e. sets and  $\Phi, \Psi, \Theta$  are recursive functionals.

By  $\text{NC} = \text{PS}$  and the promptly simple degree theorem<sup>[1]</sup>, we can decompose  $\mathcal{R}_e$  into the following infinitely many subrequirements: for every  $i, j \in \omega$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{e,i} : D_e = \Phi_e(A) \& C = \Psi_e(D_e \oplus U_e) \& D_e = \Theta_e(C \oplus V_e) \\ \& |W_i| = \infty \rightarrow \exists x \exists s (x \in W_{i, \text{st}} \& U_{e,i}[x \neq U_{e,p_e(i)}[x]), \\ \mathcal{R}_{e,i,j} : \neg \mathcal{R}_{e,i} \& |W_j| = \infty \rightarrow \exists y \exists t (y \in W_{j, \text{st}} \& V_{e,i}[y \neq V_{e,q_{e,i}(t)}[y]), \end{aligned}$$

where  $p_e, q_{e,i}$  are recursive functions defined in the construction to show the prompt simplicity of  $U_e$  and  $V_e$ , respectively.

The *priority tree*  $T$  is a subtree of  $\Lambda^{<\omega}$ , where  $\Lambda = \{0, 1, s, g, w\}$ . We define an order  $<$  on  $T$  as follows:

$$\alpha < \beta \leftrightarrow \alpha \subseteq \beta \vee \exists \tau \subseteq_{\neq} \alpha, \beta \exists a, b \in \Lambda (\tau \hat{\ } a \subseteq \alpha \& \tau \hat{\ } b \subseteq \beta \& a <_{\Lambda} b),$$

where  $0 <_{\Lambda} 1, s <_{\Lambda} g <_{\Lambda} w$ .

Given any node  $\alpha \in T$ , let  $S_{\alpha}$  be the requirement assigned to  $\alpha$  and  $T_{\alpha}$  be the set of the remaining requirements that should be assigned to nodes  $\supseteq \alpha$ . Let  $S_{\alpha}$  be the requirement in  $T_{\alpha}$  with highest priority under a given linear order of all the requirements. We say that  $a$  is a *strategy* for  $S_{\alpha}$  or an *S-strategy*.  $T_{\alpha}$  is defined inductively as follows: Let  $T_{\alpha} = \{\mathcal{P}_e, \mathcal{M}_e, \mathcal{R}_e : e \in \omega\}$ .

Case 2.1.  $S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{M}_e$ . Then  $\alpha \hat{\ } 0, \alpha \hat{\ } 1 \in T$ , and set  $T_{\alpha \hat{\ } 0} = T_{\alpha} - \{S_{\alpha}\} = T_{\alpha \hat{\ } 1}$ ;

Case 2.2.  $S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_e$ . Then  $\alpha \hat{\ } 0, \alpha \hat{\ } 1 \in T$ , and set  $T_{\alpha \hat{\ } 0} = T_{\alpha} \cup \{\mathcal{R}_{e,i} : i \in \omega\} - \{S_{\alpha}\}, T_{\alpha \hat{\ } 1} = T_{\alpha} - \{S_{\alpha}\}$ ;

Case 2.3.  $S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_{e,i}$ . Then  $\alpha \hat{\ } s, \alpha \hat{\ } g, \alpha \hat{\ } w \in T$ , and set  $T_{\alpha \hat{\ } s} = T_{\alpha} \hat{\ } w = T_{\alpha} - \{S_{\alpha}\}, T_{\alpha \hat{\ } g} = T_{\tau(\alpha)} \cup \{\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j} : j \in \omega\} - (\{\mathcal{R}_{e,i'} : i' \in \omega\} \cup \{S_{\tau(\alpha)}, S_{\xi} : S_{\xi} \text{ is not an } \mathcal{R}\text{-strategy}\})$ ;

Case 2.4.  $S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{P}_e$ . Then  $\alpha \hat{\ } w, \alpha \hat{\ } s \in T$ , and set  $T_{\alpha \hat{\ } w} = T_{\alpha} \hat{\ } s = T_{\alpha} - \{S_{\alpha}\}$ ;

Case 2.5.  $S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$ . Then  $\alpha \hat{\ } s, \alpha \hat{\ } w \in T$ , and set  $T_{\alpha \hat{\ } s} = T_{\alpha} \hat{\ } w = T_{\alpha} - \{S_{\alpha}\}$ ,

where

$$\tau(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \max \beta \hat{\ } g \subseteq \alpha (S_{\beta} = \mathcal{R}_{e,i}) & \text{if } S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_{e,i,j} \\ \max \beta \subseteq \alpha (S_{\beta} = \mathcal{R}_e) & \text{if } S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_{e,i}. \end{cases}$$

Let  $\delta_{s+1}$  be the last node we visit at stage  $s+1$ . At any stage  $s+1$  we define the *length of agreement*:

$$l(\alpha, s) = \begin{cases} \max \{x : \forall y < x (\Sigma_{e,i}(E; y) = \Sigma_{e,i}(B; y) \downarrow)\} & \text{if } S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{M}_e \\ \max \{x : \forall y < x (D_{e,i}(y) = \Phi_{e,i}(A; y) \& C(y) = \Psi_{e,i}(D_{e,i} \oplus U_{e,i}; y) \& D_{e,i}(y) = \Theta_{e,i}(C \oplus V_{e,i}; y))\} & \text{if } S_{\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_e \end{cases}$$

We assume that  $l(\alpha, 0) = 0$  for every  $\alpha \in T$ .

$s+1$  is an  $\alpha$ -stage if  $\alpha \subseteq \delta_{s+1}$  and there is no open  $\xi$ -gap for any  $\xi$  with  $\tau(\xi) \subset \alpha \subset \xi$ ;  $s+1$  is  $\alpha$ -expansionary if  $s+1$  is an  $\alpha$ -stage and  $l(\alpha, s) > l(\alpha, t)$  for every  $\alpha$ -stage  $t+1 \leq s$ .  $\alpha$  is *initialized* at stage  $s+1$  if every parameter

associated with  $\alpha$  is set to be undefined.

### 3 Basic Modules

For every  $e, x, s$ , we shall use  $\varphi_{e,s}(x), \psi_{e,s}(x)$  and  $\theta_{e,s}(x)$  to denote  $u(A, e, x, s), u(D_{e,s} \oplus U_{e,s}, e, x, s)$  and  $u(C, \oplus V_{e,s}, e, x, s)$ , respectively.

To satisfy  $\mathcal{P}_e$ , let  $\eta$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{P}_e$ . At any  $\eta$ -stage  $s+1$ , if there is a follower  $z$  of  $\alpha$  such that  $z \in W_{e,s}$ , then we attempt to enumerate  $z$  in  $B$ .

The basic module for  $\mathcal{M}_e$  is the usual minimal pair strategy. Let  $\xi$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{M}_e$ . We shall preserve at least one side of these computations  $\Sigma_{e,s}(B) \upharpoonright l(\xi, s), \Sigma_{e,s}(E) \upharpoonright l(\xi, s)$  for any  $\xi$ -expansionary stage  $s+1$ .

To satisfy  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$ , let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$ . Then there is a strategy  $\beta$  for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  such that  $\tau(\alpha) = \beta \hat{=} g \subset \alpha$ . We shall define a recursive function  $p_{\tau(\beta)}$  to show the prompt simplicity of  $U_e$  and a recursive function  $p_{\tau(\alpha)}$  to show the prompt simplicity of  $V_e$ .

At any  $\tau(\beta)$ -stage  $s+1$ , if there is an  $x$  such that  $x \in W_{i,s} - W_{i,s'}$ , and there is no  $\beta$ -gap at the last  $\beta$ -stage, where  $s'+1 \leq s$  is the last  $\tau(\beta)$ -stage, then open a  $\beta$ -gap, and if there is a  $y$  and a follower  $z_\alpha$  of  $\alpha$  such that

- (3.1)  $y \in W_{j,s} - W_{j,s'}$ , where  $s'+1 \leq s$  is the last  $\beta \hat{=} g$ -stage,
- (3.2) there is no  $\alpha$ -gap at the last  $\alpha$ -stage, and
- (3.3)  $l(\tau(\beta), s) \triangleright z_\alpha, \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha) < x, z_\alpha \notin C$ , and  $\theta_{e,s}(\psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)) < y$ ,

then open an  $\alpha$ -gap. Enumerate  $\gamma_i(z_\alpha)$  in  $A$ , and move  $\gamma_{i+1}(z_\alpha)$  to an unused number.

Wait for the next  $\tau(\beta)$ -expansionary stage, say  $t+1 > s$ . If  $D_{e,t} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,t}(z_\alpha) = D_{e,s} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)$ , then enumerate  $z_\alpha$  in  $C$ , enumerate  $\gamma_i(z_\alpha)$  in  $E$  and wait for the next  $\tau(\beta)$ -expansionary stage  $u+1 > t$ . Then close the  $\beta$ -gap,  $U_{e,t} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,t}(z_\alpha) \neq U_{e,u} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,u}(z_\alpha)$ , define  $p_{\tau(\beta)}(s) = u$ , and  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\beta)$  unless  $\tau(\beta)$  is initialized afterwards. In this case,  $\alpha$  is initialized.

If  $D_{e,t} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,t}(z_\alpha) \neq D_{e,s} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)$ , then close the  $\alpha$ -gap and the  $\beta$ -gap, define  $p_{\tau(\alpha)}(s) = t, p_{\tau(\beta)}(s) = t$ , and  $V_{e,s} \upharpoonright \theta_{e,s}(\psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)) \neq V_{e,t} \upharpoonright \theta_{e,t}(\psi_{e,t}(z_\alpha))$ , i. e.,  $V_{e,s} \upharpoonright \gamma \neq V_{e,t} \upharpoonright \gamma$ ; and  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$  unless  $\tau(\alpha)$  is initialized afterwards.

If there is a  $\beta$ -stage at stage  $s+1$  and there are no such a  $y$  and a  $z_\alpha$ , then at the next  $\tau(\beta)$ -expansionary stage, say  $t+1 > s$ , close the  $\beta$ -gap, and define  $p_{\tau(\beta)}(s) = t$ .

There is a conflict between strategies. Let  $\xi$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{M}_e$ , let  $\beta$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  such that  $\tau(\beta) \subset \xi \hat{=} 0 \subseteq \beta$ . To satisfy a  $\mathcal{P}$ -strategy  $\eta \supset \beta \hat{=} g$ , at any  $\eta$ -stage  $s+1$ , if  $\eta$  attempts to enumerate a follower  $z$  of  $\eta$  in  $B$ , then there is a  $\beta$ -gap and  $s+1$  may not be a  $\xi$ -expansionary stage. To cope with it, at any  $\eta$ -stage  $s+1$ , if there is a follower  $z$  of  $\eta$  such that  $z \in W_{e,s}$  and  $s+1$  is  $\xi$ -expansionary then enumerate  $z$  in  $B$ ; otherwise, define an auxiliary function  $k: T \rightarrow T$  as follows:  $k(\eta) = \xi$ . At the next  $\xi$ -expansionary stage  $t+1 > s$ , enumerate  $z$  in  $B$ .

Similarly, to solve the conflict between strategies for  $\mathcal{R}_e$  and  $\mathcal{M}_e$ , enumerate some  $\gamma_i(z_\alpha)$  in  $E$  by a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_e$ .

### 4 Construction

**Stage  $s=0$ :** Set  $A_0 = B_0 = \emptyset$  and initialize every node  $\alpha \in T$ .

**Stage  $s+1$ :** Stage  $s+1$  consists of at most  $s$ -many substages,  $s_1, \dots, s_s, \dots$ . At substage  $s_n$  we visit node  $\alpha$  and do the following actions according to what strategy  $\alpha$  is, and either  $\delta_{s+1}$  is defined at  $s_n$  or the next node we shall visit at the next substage is defined, say  $n(\alpha)$ . If  $|n(\alpha)| < s$ , then go to substage  $s_{n(\alpha)}$ . If  $\delta_{s+1}$  is defined or  $|n(\alpha)| = s$ , then  $s_n$  is the last substage of stage  $s+1$ . At the end of stage  $s+1$ , initialize every strategy  $\gamma' \triangleright \delta_{s+1}$ .

with  $\gamma' \triangleright \delta_{s+1}$  and go to stage  $s+2$ .

**Substage  $s_a$ :** The procedure runs according to what strategy  $\alpha$  is.

Case 4.1. Let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{D}_e$ . If  $\mathcal{D}_e$  is satisfied, i.e., there is a follower  $y$  of  $\alpha$ , such that  $y \in W_{e,s} \cap B$ , then go to  $\alpha \hat{ } s$ ; otherwise, if there is no follower of  $\alpha$ , then assign the least unused number to be a follower of  $\alpha$ , go to  $\alpha \hat{ } w$ ; if there is a follower  $y$  of  $\alpha$  such that  $y \notin W_{e,s}$ , then go to  $\alpha \hat{ } w$ ; if there is a follower  $y$  of  $\alpha$  such that  $y \in W_{e,s}$ , then let  $\delta_{s+1} = \alpha$ . Initialize every strategy  $\gamma' > \alpha$  and see whether  $s+1$  is  $\beta$ -expansionary for every  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\beta$  with  $\beta \hat{ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$ . If yes, then enumerate  $y$  in  $B$ ; otherwise, define  $k(\alpha) = \beta$  for the largest  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\beta$  such that  $\beta \hat{ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$  and  $s+1$  is not  $\beta$ -expansionary.

Case 4.2. Let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_e$ . If  $s+1$  is  $\alpha$ -expansionary and there is a strategy  $\beta$  for some  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  such that  $\tau^2(\beta) = \alpha$  and  $\beta$  enumerated some element  $\gamma_i(z_\beta)$  in  $A$  at the last  $\beta$ -stage  $t+1$ , where  $z_\beta$  is a follower of  $\beta$ , then let the  $\beta$ -gap be opened via some  $y \in W_{j,t}$  and the  $\tau(\beta)$ -gap be opened via some  $x \in W_{i,t}$ . If  $D_{e,s} \uparrow \psi_{\beta,i}(z_\beta) = D_{e,s} \uparrow \psi_{\beta,i}(z_\beta)$ , then let  $\delta_{s+1} = \beta$ , and see whether  $s+1$  is  $\xi$ -expansionary for every  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\xi$  with  $\xi \hat{ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$ . If yes, then enumerate  $z_\beta$  in  $C$ ; enumerate  $\gamma_i(z_\beta)$  in  $E$ , move  $\gamma_{s+1}(z_\beta)$  to the least unused number; otherwise, define  $k(\alpha) = \xi$  for the largest  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\xi$  such that  $\xi \hat{ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$  and  $s+1$  is not  $\xi$ -expansionary. If  $D_{e,s} \uparrow \psi_{\beta,i}(z_\beta) \neq D_{e,s} \uparrow \psi_{\beta,i}(z_\beta)$ , then close the  $\tau(\beta)$ -gap and the  $\beta$ -gap, define  $p_\alpha(t') = s$  for every  $t' \leq t$  with  $p_{\alpha,s}(t') \uparrow$  and  $p_{\tau(\beta)}(t'') = s$  for any  $t'' \leq t$  with  $p_{\tau(\beta),s}(t'') \uparrow$ . If  $V_{e,s} \uparrow y \neq V_{e,s} \uparrow y$ , then  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\beta)$  unless  $\tau(\beta)$  is initialized.

If  $s+1$  is  $\alpha$ -expansionary and there is a strategy  $\beta$  such that  $\tau(\beta) = \alpha$ , there is a  $\beta$ -gap via some  $x$  and there is no element enumerated in  $A$  by any strategy  $\eta$  with  $\tau(\eta) = \beta$  at the last  $\beta$ -stage  $t+1$ , then close the  $\beta$ -gap, define  $p_\alpha(t') = s$  for any  $t' \leq t$  with  $p_{\alpha,s}(t') \uparrow$ . If  $U_{e,s} \uparrow x \neq U_{e,s} \uparrow x$ , then  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is satisfied at  $\alpha$  unless  $\alpha$  is initialized.

If there is a strategy  $\beta$  for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  such that  $\tau(\beta) = \alpha$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is not satisfied at  $\alpha$ ; there is an  $x$  such that  $x \in W_{i,s} - W_{i,s'}$ , where  $s'+1 \leq s$  is the last  $\alpha$ -stage; there is no strategy  $\xi$  with  $\alpha \subset k(\xi) \subset \beta \subset \xi$ ; and there is no  $\beta$ -gap at the last  $\beta$ -stage, then let  $\beta$  be the least one and open a  $\beta$ -gap. If there is a strategy  $\eta$  for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  such that  $\tau(\eta) = \beta \hat{ } g$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is not satisfied at  $\tau(\eta)$  and there are a  $y$  and a follower  $z_\eta$  of  $\eta$  such that

- (4.1)  $y \in W_{j,s} - W_{j,s'}$ , where  $s'+1 \leq s$  is the last  $\beta \hat{ } g$ -stage,
- (4.2) there is no  $\eta$ -gap at the last  $\eta$ -stage,
- (4.3) there is no strategy  $\xi$  such that  $\beta \subset k(\xi) \subset \eta \subset \xi$ ,
- (4.4)  $l(\alpha, s) > z_\eta$ ,  $z_\eta \notin C_s$ , and
- (4.5)  $\psi_{e,s}(z_\eta) < x$ ,  $\theta_{e,s}(\psi_{e,s}(z_\eta)) < y$ ,

then let  $\eta$  be the least one, open an  $\eta$ -gap; enumerate  $\gamma_s(z_\eta)$  in  $A$ ; move  $\gamma_{s+1}(z_\eta)$  to the least unused number and initialize every strategy  $\gamma' > \eta$ . If there is no such  $\eta$ , then go to  $\beta \hat{ } g$ .

If  $s+1$  is  $\alpha$ -expansionary and there is no such  $\beta$ , then go to  $\alpha \hat{ } 0$ ; otherwise, go to  $\alpha \hat{ } 1$ .

Case 4.3. Let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$ . If  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ , then go to  $\alpha \hat{ } s$ ; otherwise, go to  $\alpha \hat{ } w$ .

Case 4.4. Let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$ . If  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ , then go to  $\alpha \hat{ } s$ ; otherwise, if there is no follower of  $\alpha$ , then assign the least unused number to be a follower of  $\alpha$ , go to  $\alpha \hat{ } w$ .

Case 4.5. Let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{M}_e$ . If  $s+1$  is  $\alpha$ -expansionary and there is a strategy  $\eta$  such that  $k(\eta) = \alpha$ , then

(4.6) if  $s+1$  is  $\xi$ -expansionary for every  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\xi$  with  $\xi \hat{ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$ , then if  $\eta$  is a  $\mathcal{D}$ -strategy and  $\eta$  attempted to enumerate some  $y$  in  $B$  at the last  $\eta$ -stage, then enumerate  $y$  in  $B$ ; if  $\eta$  is an  $\mathcal{R}$ -strategy and  $\eta$  attempted to enumerate  $\gamma_i(z_\beta)$  in  $E$  for some  $z_\beta$  at the last  $\eta$ -stage, then enumerate  $\gamma_s(z_\beta)$  in  $E$ ;

(4.7) otherwise, let  $\delta_{s+1} = \alpha$ , define  $k(\eta) = \xi$ , where  $\xi$  is the largest  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy such that  $\xi \hat{ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$  and  $s+1$  is not  $\xi$ -expansionary.

If  $s+1$  is  $\alpha$ -expansionary and there is no such  $\eta$ , then go to  $\alpha \hat{ } 0$ ; otherwise, go to  $\alpha \hat{ } 1$ .

This ends the description of the construction.

### 5 Verification

Let  $\delta = \liminf \delta$ , be the true path. We prove the following lemmas inductively on  $\alpha \subset \delta$ .

**Lemma 5.1.** If  $\alpha$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  and  $\beta$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  such that  $\tau(\alpha) = \beta \hat{\ } \mathbf{g} \subset \alpha \subset \delta$ , then  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$  eventually, and  $\alpha$  enumerates finitely many elements in  $A$ .

*Proof.* Let  $s_0$  be the least  $\alpha$ -stage after which  $\alpha$  is not initialized. Let  $z_\alpha$  be a follower of  $\alpha$  at  $s_0$ .

Assume that  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is not satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ . Then  $W_i$  and  $W_j$  are infinite, and  $\Phi_e(A), \Psi_e(D_e \oplus U_e)$  and  $\Theta_e(C \oplus V_e)$  are total. Since there are infinitely many  $\tau(\beta)$ -stages and  $\tau(\alpha)$ -gaps, we know that there are  $x, y$  and a stage  $s+1 > s_0$  such that (4.1)~(4.5) are satisfied and  $\gamma_i(z_\alpha)$  is enumerated in  $A$ .

At the next  $\tau(\beta)$ -expansionary stage  $t+1, D_{e,s} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha) \neq D_{e,t} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)$ ; otherwise,  $z_\alpha$  is enumerated in  $C$  eventually before the next  $\tau(\beta)$ -expansionary stage, say  $u+1 > t$ . And by the initialization there is no element  $\langle \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha) \rangle$  enumerated in  $D_e$ , so  $U_{e,s} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha) \neq U_{e,u} \upharpoonright \psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)$ , i. e.,  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  would be satisfied at  $\tau(\beta)$  and  $\beta \hat{\ } \mathbf{s} \subset \delta$ , a contradiction. By the initialization, there is no element  $\langle \theta_{e,s}(\psi_{e,s}(z_\alpha)) \rangle$  enumerated in  $C$  between  $s$  and  $t$ , so  $V_{e,s} \upharpoonright y \neq V_{e,t} \upharpoonright y$ , and  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ , a contradiction.

Therefore,  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i,j}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$  eventually and  $\alpha$  enumerates at most one element in  $A$  after  $s_0$ .

**Lemma 5.2.** If  $\alpha \subset \delta$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{P}_e$ , then  $\mathcal{P}_e$  is satisfied eventually.

*Proof.* Let  $s_0$  be the least  $\alpha$ -stage after which  $\alpha$  is not initialized. Let  $y$  be the follower of  $\alpha$  at  $s_0$ .

Assume that  $\mathcal{P}_e$  is not satisfied, i. e.,  $B = \omega - W_e$ . If  $y \notin W_e$ , then  $\mathcal{P}_e$  is satisfied, a contradiction. Assume that there exists an  $\alpha$ -stage  $s+1 \geq s_0$  such that  $y \in W_{e,s}$ . If  $s+1$  is  $\xi$ -expansionary for every  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\xi$  with  $\xi \hat{\ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$ , then  $y$  is enumerated in  $B$  at  $s+1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_e$  is satisfied, a contradiction; otherwise, for every  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\xi$  with  $\xi \hat{\ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$ , there is a  $\xi$ -expansionary stage  $s_\xi+1$  such that no element is enumerated in  $E$  by any  $\eta \supset \xi$  between  $s_\xi+1$  and the stage when  $y$  is enumerated in  $B$ . Then,  $y$  is enumerated in  $B$  at  $s_\xi+1$  for the  $\mathcal{M}$ -strategy  $\xi$  with least length and  $\xi \hat{\ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$  and  $\mathcal{P}_e$  is satisfied. A contradiction.

Therefore,  $\mathcal{P}_e$  is satisfied eventually.

**Lemma 5.3.** If  $\alpha \subset \delta$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{M}_e$ , then  $\mathcal{M}_e$  is satisfied.

*Proof.* Let  $s_0$  be the least  $\alpha$ -stage after which  $\alpha$  is not initialized.

Assume that  $f_e$  is total. To recursively compute  $f_e(x)$  for any given  $x$ , find the least  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage  $s+1 \geq s_0$  such that  $l(\alpha, s) > x$ , and we claim that  $f_e(x) = f_{e,s}(x)$ .

We now claim that at any stage  $t+1 > s$ , at least one of the two computations holds.

For a contradiction, suppose this fails at some least stage  $t+1 > s$ , say, via a number  $z$  entering  $E$  or  $B$ . Then there is a stage  $< t$  after the last  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage when an element is enumerated in  $B$  or  $E$ , and one of the two computations is destroyed. Let  $t_\alpha+1 \leq t$  be the last  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage.

If  $z$  enters  $E$  and destroys the remaining computation, then  $z$  enters  $E$  by an  $\mathcal{R}$ -strategy  $\tau^2(\beta)$  and  $z = \gamma_i(z_\beta)$ , where  $z_\beta$  is a follower of  $\beta$  at stage  $t+1$ . If  $\tau^2(\beta) \supseteq \alpha \hat{\ } 0$ , then by the definition of  $k$ , there is no element  $< t_\alpha$  enumerated in  $B$  between  $t_\alpha+1$  and  $t+1$ , a contradiction; if  $\tau^2(\beta) > \alpha \hat{\ } 0$  and  $\tau^2(\beta) \not\supseteq \alpha \hat{\ } 0$ , then by the initialization,  $z > t_\alpha+1 \geq \sigma_{e,t_\alpha}(x)$ , a contradiction. If  $\tau^2(\beta) \hat{\ } 0 < \alpha$  and  $\tau^2(\beta) \hat{\ } 0 \not\subseteq \alpha$ , then  $\alpha$  is initialized after  $s_0$ , a contradiction to the choice of  $s_0$ . The last possibility is that  $\tau^2(\beta) \hat{\ } 0 \subseteq \alpha$ . In this case, at the last  $\beta$ -stage, say  $t''+1, \gamma_{r'}(z_\beta)$  was enumerated in  $A$  and  $t+1$  is the next  $\tau^2(\beta)$ -expansionary stage, i. e.,  $t'' \geq t_\alpha$ . Hence,  $\gamma_i(z_\beta) > t_\alpha$ , since  $\gamma_{r'}(z_\beta)$  moved to an unused number at  $t''+1$ . A contradiction.

If  $z$  enters  $B$  and destroys the remaining computation, then  $z$  enters  $B$  by a  $\mathcal{P}$ -strategy  $\beta$ . By the initialization and the choice of  $s_0, \beta \supseteq \alpha \hat{\ } 0$ . By the definition of the auxiliary function  $k, z$  is enumerated in  $B$  at  $t+1$  only if there is no element  $< t_\alpha$  enumerated in  $E$  between  $t_\alpha+1$  and  $t+1$ . Therefore,  $z$  cannot be enumerated in

$B$  by  $\beta$  at  $t+1$ , a contradiction.

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### $R/M$ 中的 $\leq$ 与 $R$ 中的 $\leq_T$ 的关系

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**摘要** 证明存在递归可枚举图灵度  $a$  和  $c$  使得  $c \leq a$ , 并且对每个递归可枚举图灵度  $b \leq_T a$ ,  $b \neq c$ , 其中  $a$  是  $R/M$  中的一个元素,  $R/M$  是递归可枚举图灵度集  $R$  模可盖图灵度集  $M$  的商.

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