# Branching Elements in Rwtt/Mwtt.

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Abstract It is proved that every element  $[c] \in R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$  except the greatest and least elements is branching in  $R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$ , i. e., the greatest lower bound of some two elements greater than [c], where  $R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$  is the quotient of the r.e. wtt-degrees  $R_{wtt}$  modulo the cappable r.e. wtt-degrees  $M_{wtt}$ .

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#### 1 Introduction

Let **R** be the upper semilattice of the r.e. degrees, **M** the set of all the cappable r.e. degrees, and **NC** the set of all the noncappable r.e. degrees. Ambos-Spies, Jockusch, Shore and Soare<sup>[1]</sup> proved that **M** is an ideal in **R**. Hence, we have a new structure **R**/**M**, the quotient of the r.e. degrees **R** modulo the cappable r.e. degrees **M** (we shall use [a], [b],... to denote the elements of **R**/**M**). Schwarz<sup>[2]</sup> proved that **R**/**M** is downward dense. Ambos-Spies (quoted in Ref. [3]) commented that the downward density theorem in **R**/**M** follows from the Robinson's splitting theorem and the fact that **NC=LCu**, the set of all the r.e. degrees which cup to 0' by low r.e. degrees. Sui and Zhang<sup>[4]</sup> proved that the Shoenfield cupping conjecture holds in **R**/**M**, i.e., given any [a], b]  $\in$  **R**/**M** such that  $[0] \prec [a] \prec [b]$  there exists an r.e. degree c such that  $[c] \prec [b]$  and  $[b] = [a] \lor [c]$ . Sui<sup>[S]</sup> and Yi<sup>[6]</sup>, independently, proved that the Shoenfield conjecture does not hold in **R**/**M**. But we do not know whether there is a branching element in **R**/**M**.

In this paper we shall consider the quotient  $R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$ . In the following sections, we assume that every degree mentioned is an r.e. wtt-degree. We shall prove that for every  $[c] \in R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$  such that [0] < [c] < [0'] there are [a] and  $[b] \in R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$  such that [c] < [a], [b] and  $[c] = [a] \land [b]$ .

Our notation is standard, as described by Soare<sup>[1]</sup> with a minor change. A number x is unused at stage s+1 if  $x \ge s$  is greater than any number used so far in the construction. We use  $\Phi.\Psi.\Theta...$  to denote weak truth table functionals, as usual, which have recursive use functions  $\varphi, \psi, \theta, ...$ , respectively, increasing in argument. Before ending this section, we list some basic definitions and theorems that are used in the following sections.

**Definition 1.1.** (i) An r. e. degree **a** is *cappable* if there exists an r. e. degree b>0 such that  $a \cap b=0$ ; and

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a is noncappable, otherwise.

- (ii) Let M<sub>wtt</sub> denote the set of all the cappable degrees.
- (iii) Let  $NC_{vir} (= R_{vir} M_{vir})$  denote the set of all the noncappable r.e. degrees.

**Theorem 1.2.** [1] **M** is an ideal in **R**. Moreover,  $\{A \in \mathscr{E} : \deg_{\mathbb{T}}(A) \in \mathbf{M}\} = \{A \in \mathscr{E} : \deg_{\mathbb{W}^{\mathsf{T}}}(A) \in \mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{W}^{\mathsf{T}}}\}$ , where  $\mathscr{E}$  is the lattice of all the recursively enumerable sets. Therefore,  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{W}^{\mathsf{T}}}$  is an ideal in  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{W}^{\mathsf{T}}}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** (i) A coinfinite r.e. set A is *promptly simple* if there are a recursive function q and a recursive enumeration  $\{A_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  of A such that for every e,

$$|W_{\epsilon}| = \infty \rightarrow \exists x \exists s(x \in W_{\epsilon,\alpha}, \& x \in A_{\alpha(\alpha)}).$$

An r.e. degree a is promptly simple if there is a promptly simple r.e. set  $A \in a$ .

(ii) Let PSwii denote the set of all the promptly simple degrees.

**Theorem 1.4.** (Promptly Simple Degree Theorem<sup>[1]</sup>) Let A be an r.e. set. Then A has promptly simple degree iff there are a recursive function q and an enumeration  $\{A_s\}_{s\in\omega}$  of A such that for all  $s,q(s)\geqslant s$  and for all  $e\in\omega$ ,

$$|W_{\epsilon}| = \infty \rightarrow \exists x \exists s (x \in W_{\epsilon, \text{at } s} \& A_{s} \lceil x \neq A_{\sigma(s)} \lceil x), \tag{1.1}$$

namely, A promptly permits some element  $x \in W_{\epsilon}$ .

Theorem 1.5. [1] NC=PS.

**Lemma 1.6.** (Slowdown Lemma) Let  $\{G_{e,s}\}$  be a strong array of finite sets such that  $G_{e,s} \subseteq G_{e,s+1}$  and  $G_e = \bigcup_s G_{e,s}$ . Then there is a recursive function h such that for all e and s,  $W_{h(e)} = G_e$  and  $W_{h(e),s} \cap G_{e,st,s} = \emptyset$ .

### 2 Main Theorem and Its Requirements

Theorem 2.1. Given any noncappable r.e. degree c < 0', there are r.e. degrees a, b such that  $c < a \cdot b$ ; [c] < [a], [b], and  $a \cap b = c$ .

By the distributivity of Rwn, we have the following.

Corollary 2. 2. [c] is branching in  $R_{wt}/M_{wt}$  for any [c] such that [0] < [c] < [0'].

Proof. Given any [0] < [c] < [0'], let  $c \in [c]$  be an r.e. degree. Then c is incomplete and noncappable. By Theorem 2.1, there are r.e. degrees a and b such that  $c < a \cdot b$ ;  $[c] < [a] \cdot [b]$  and  $a \cap b = c$ . We now show that  $[c] = [a] \wedge [b]$ . Let d be an r.e. degree such that  $[d] \le [a] \cdot [b]$ . We prove that [d] < [c]. Since  $[d] \le [a] \cdot [b]$ , by the definition of relation  $\le$ , there exist r.e. degrees  $a_0 \cdot b_0 \in M_{wr}$  such that  $d \le a \cup a_0$ ,  $b \cup b_0$ . By the distributivity of  $R_{wr}$ , there exist r.e. degrees  $a_0 \cdot a_0 \cdot b_0 \cdot a_0$ ,  $b_0 \cdot a_0 \cdot b_0 \cdot a_0$  such that  $d = a_0 \cup a_0 \cdot a_0 \cdot b_0 \cdot a_0$ . Then  $a_0 \cdot b_0 \cdot a_0 \cdot b_0$ 

Corollary 2. 3. Ross/Most is upper-ward dense.

To prove Theorem 2.1, we fix an r.e. set C such that  $[0] < [\deg_{wt}(C)] < [0']$ . By Theorems 1.4 and 1.5, assume that C is promptly simple via a recursive function p and fix an enumeration  $\{C_n\}$  of C such that for every e,

$$|W_{\epsilon}| = \infty \rightarrow \exists x \exists s (x \in W_{\epsilon,\text{st},s} \& C_s [x \neq C_{\rho(s)} [x)].$$

We shall recursively construct sets  $A \cdot B$  such that  $A \not \leq_{\text{wit}} C \oplus W$ , for any cappable r.e. set  $W_e$ ;  $B \not \leq_{\text{wit}} C \oplus V_e$  for any cappable r.e. set  $V_e$ , and C is the infimum of  $A \oplus C$  and  $B \oplus C$ . Namely the construction will satisfy for every e the following requirements:

$$\mathcal{R}_{s}: A = \Phi_{s}(C \oplus U_{s}) \rightarrow \deg_{\mathsf{wrt}}(U_{s}) \in \mathbf{NC}_{\mathsf{wrt}};$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_{s}: B = \Psi_{s}(C \oplus V_{s}) \rightarrow \deg_{\mathsf{wrt}}(V_{s}) \in \mathbf{NC}_{\mathsf{wrt}};$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{s}: \Theta_{s}(A \oplus C) = \Theta_{s}(B \oplus C) = f_{s} \text{ total} \rightarrow f_{s} \leqslant_{\mathsf{wrt}}C.$$

By Theorems 1.4 and 1.5, we decompose R, into the following infinitely many subrequirements: for every

 $i \in \omega$ 

$$\mathscr{R}_{\epsilon,i}: A = \Phi_{\epsilon}(C \oplus U_{\epsilon}) \& |W_i| = \infty \rightarrow \exists x \exists s(x \in W_{i,\text{et}}, \& U_{\epsilon,\epsilon} \lceil x \neq U_{\epsilon,\rho_{\epsilon}(s)} \lceil x),$$

where  $p_{\epsilon}$  is a recursive function defined in the construction such that if  $\Lambda = \Phi_{\epsilon}(C \oplus U_{\epsilon})$ , then  $p_{\epsilon}$  is total and shows the prompt simplicity of  $U_{\epsilon}$ .

Similarly we decompose  $\mathscr{Q}_i$  into the following infinitely many subrequirements: for every  $i \in \omega$ ,

$$\mathcal{Q}_{e,i}: B = \Psi_{e}(C \oplus V_{e}) \& |W_{e}| = \infty \rightarrow \exists x \exists s(x \in W_{i,si} \& V_{e,s} [x \neq V_{e,g,(s)} [x)],$$

where  $q_e$  is a recursive function defined in the construction such that if  $\mathcal{B} = \Psi_e(C \bigoplus V_e)$ , then  $q_e$  is total and shows the prompt simplicity of  $V_e$ .

At any stage s+1, we define the length of agreement:

$$l^{\mathcal{R}}(e,s) = \max\{x: \forall y < x(A_s(y) = \Phi_{e,s}(C_s \ominus U_{e,s}; y))\},$$
  
$$l^{\mathcal{B}}(e,s) = \max\{x: \forall y < x(B_s(y) = \Psi_{e,s}(C_s \ominus V_{e,s}; y))\},$$

A stage s+1 is  $e^{\mathfrak{A}}$ -expansionary if  $t^{\mathfrak{A}}(e,s)>t^{\mathfrak{A}}(e,t)$  for every t< s.

To satisfy  $\mathscr{R}_{\epsilon,i}$ , at any stage s+1, if there exist x and y such that  $y \in K_s$ ,  $t^{\mathscr{R}}(e,s) > \langle e,i,y \rangle$ ,  $x \in W_{\epsilon,i} - W_{\epsilon,i-1}$ , and  $x > \varphi(\langle e,i,y \rangle)$ , then enumerate  $\langle e,i,y \rangle$ , in A, and wait for the next  $e^{\mathscr{R}}$ -expansionary stage t+1 > s+1. At t+1, define  $p_e(s) = t$ . If  $C_s \lceil \varphi(\langle e,i,y \rangle) = C_t \lceil \varphi(\langle e,i,y \rangle)$ , then  $U_{\epsilon,s} \lceil \varphi(\langle e,i,y \rangle) \neq U_{\epsilon,t} \lceil \varphi(\langle e,i,y \rangle)$ , and  $\mathscr{R}_{\epsilon,t}$  is satisfied.

To satisfy  $\mathcal{M}_s$ , at any stage s+1, we define the length of agreement:

$$l(e,s) = \max\{x: \forall y < x(\Theta_{e,s}(A_s \oplus C_s; y) = \Theta_{e,s}(B_s \oplus C_s; y) \downarrow )\}.$$

s+1 is e-expansionary if l(e,s)>l(e,t) for every t < s. At any e-expansionary stage t+1, let s+1 < t be the last e-expansionary stage. For any x < l(e,s), if  $A_s \lceil \theta_e(x) \neq A_t \lceil \theta_e(x) \rceil$  and  $B_s \lceil \theta_e(x) \neq B_t \lceil \theta_e(x) \rceil$ , then we shall ensure that  $C_s \lceil \theta_e(x) \neq C \lceil \theta_e(x) \rceil$ .

## 3 The Priority Tree and the Basic Module

The priority tree  $T=2^{<\omega}$ . We define an order  $<_L$  on T as follows; for any  $\alpha,\beta\in T$ ,

$$\alpha <_{L} \beta \leftrightarrow \alpha \subset \beta \lor \exists \ \tau \subseteq \alpha, \beta (\tau ^{\circ} \ 0 \subseteq \alpha \& \tau ^{\circ} \ 1 \subseteq \beta).$$

We assign  $\mathcal{M}_e$  to  $\alpha$  if  $|\alpha| = 3e$ ;  $\mathcal{R}_e$  to  $\alpha$  if  $|\alpha| = 3e+1$ ;  $\mathcal{Q}_e$  to  $\alpha$  if  $|\alpha| = 3e+2$ ;  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  to  $\alpha$  if  $|\alpha| = 3\langle e, i \rangle + 1$ ;  $\mathcal{Q}_{e,i}$  to  $\alpha$  if  $|\alpha| = 3\langle e, i \rangle + 2$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is a strategy for the requirements assigned to it.

At any stage s+1, we shall define a sequence  $\delta$ , of nodes accessible at stage s+1 as follows. Let

$$l(\alpha,s) = \begin{cases} l(e,s) & \text{if } |\alpha| = 3e, \\ l^{\mathcal{R}}(e,s) & \text{if } |\alpha| = 3e+1, \\ l^{\mathcal{Q}}(e,s) & \text{if } |\alpha| = 3e+2. \end{cases}$$

We assume that  $l(\alpha,0)=0$  for every  $\alpha \in T$ . For  $\alpha \in T$ , a stage s+1 is an  $\alpha$ -stage if  $\alpha \subseteq \delta_s$  or s=0. s+1 is  $\alpha$  expansionary if s=0 or s+1 is an  $\alpha$ -stage and  $l(\alpha,s)>l(\alpha,t)$  for every  $\alpha$ -stage  $t+1 \leqslant s$ .

We define an auxiliary function  $\tau: T \rightarrow T$  as follows:

$$\tau(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \beta \subseteq \alpha(|\beta| = 3e + 1) & \text{if } \alpha \text{ is a strategy for } \mathscr{R}_{e,i}, \\ \beta \subseteq \alpha(|\beta| = 3e + 2) & \text{if } \alpha \text{ is a strategy for } \mathscr{Q}_{e,i}. \end{cases}$$

Now we define  $\delta_s(n)$  by induction on n for n < s. Suppose that  $\alpha = \delta_s \lceil n \rceil$ ,  $\delta_s(n) = 0$  if s + 1 is an s-expansionary stage, and  $\delta_s(n) = 1$ , otherwise. The true path  $\delta$  is defined by

$$\delta = \lim \inf \delta_s$$
.

During the construction some node  $\alpha \in T$  will be initialized at certain stage.  $\alpha \in T$  is initialized at stage s-1 if every parameter associated with  $\alpha$  is set to be undefined.

Let  $\alpha$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{s,i}$ . We assign a number  $z_{\alpha}$  to be a follower of  $\alpha$ . At any  $\tau(\alpha)$ -stage s+1, if there are an x and a  $y \geqslant z_{\alpha}$  such that

- (3.1)  $x \in W_{i,s} W_{i,s'}$ , where  $s' + 1 \le s$  is the last  $\tau(\alpha)$ -stage,
- (3.2)  $y \in K_i$ ,  $\langle e, i, y \rangle \notin A_i$ ,  $l(\tau(\alpha), s) > \langle e, i, y \rangle$ , and
- $(3.3) \varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y\rangle) < x,$

then enumerate  $\langle e,i,y \rangle$  in A and wait for the next  $\tau(\alpha)$ -expansionary stage, say u+1. At u+1, define  $p_{\tau(\alpha)}(s) = u$ . If  $C_s \lceil \varphi_e(\langle e,i,y \rangle) = C_u \lceil \varphi_e(\langle e,i,y \rangle)$ , then it must be that  $U_{e,s} \lceil \varphi_e(\langle e,i,y \rangle) \neq U_{e,u} \lceil \varphi_e(\langle e,i,y \rangle)$ . We say that  $\mathscr{R}_{e,s}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ , and  $\alpha$  never enumerates any element in A unless if  $\tau(\alpha)$  is initialized.

We use a similar basic module for  $\mathcal{Q}_{\ell,\ell}$ .

Let  $\beta$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{M}_i$ ,  $\xi$  be a strategy for  $\mathcal{Q}_{\ell,i'}$ . Assume that  $\beta \cap 0 \subset \tau(\alpha)$ . Then some  $\langle e,i,y \rangle$  is enumerated in  $\Lambda$  only at  $\beta$ -expansionary stages. Hence, if  $f_j(z)$  is defined at some  $\beta$ -expansionary stage s+1 for some z, then  $f_j(z)$  does not change because of enumerating  $\langle e,i,y \rangle$  in  $\Lambda$ .

Assume that  $\tau(a) \cap 0 \subseteq \beta \cap 0 \subseteq \alpha, \xi$ . Assume that at some  $\tau(a)$ -stage s+1, there is an element  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  to be enumerated in A. Then s+1 may not be a  $\beta$ -expansionary stage. If there is some element enumerated in B after the last  $\beta$ -expansionary stage, then  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  enumerated in A may result in  $f_j(z)$  changing for some z. Precisely, let  $s_{\beta}+1 \leq s$  be the last  $\beta$ -expansionary stage, assume that there are  $\langle e',i',y'\rangle \in B_s - B_{i_{\beta}}$  and a z such that l  $(\beta,s_{\beta})>z$ ,  $\theta_j(z)>\langle e',i',y'\rangle$ . If there are x and y such that  $(3,1)\sim(3,3)$  hold and  $\theta_j(z)>\langle e,i,y\rangle$ , then we cannot enumerate  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  in A directly. To cope with it, at any  $\tau(a)$ -stage s+1, if there are x and  $y\geqslant z$ , such that  $(3,1)\sim(3,3)$  hold, then define an auxiliary function:

$$z(\alpha,s) = \min\{\theta_j(z), z < l(\beta,s_\beta), \theta_j(z) > \langle e,i,y \rangle, \exists y'(\theta_j(z) > \langle e',i',y' \rangle \in B_s - B_{s_\beta})\},\$$

where  $s_{\beta}+1 \le s$  is the last  $\beta$ -expansionary stage. If  $z(\alpha,s)$  does not exist, then enumerate  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  in A. Otherwise, firstly enumerate  $z(\alpha,s)$  in  $G_{\alpha}$ , secondly enumerate  $W_{h(\alpha)}$  until a stage  $t \ge s$  such that  $z(\alpha,s) \in W_{h(\alpha),stt}$ , and then compute p(t), where h is the recursive function whose existence is guaranteed by the Slowdown lemma. If  $C_s \lceil z(\alpha,s) \rangle = C_{p(t)} \lceil z(\alpha,s) \rangle$ , then do nothing; if  $C_t \lceil z(\alpha,s) \neq C_{p(t)} \lceil z(\alpha,s) \rangle$ , then we say that C promptly permits  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$ , enumerate  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  in A and wait for the next  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage u+1 > s. At u+1, define  $p_{\alpha}(s) = u$ . If  $C_s \lceil \varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y\rangle) \rangle = C_s \lceil \varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y\rangle) \rangle$ , then  $\Re_{\epsilon,t}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$  unless if  $\tau(\alpha)$  is initialized afterwards.

Fix any  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  such that  $y\geqslant z_a$ . If  $\alpha$  is on the true path and  $|W_i|=\infty$ , then there are infinitely many  $\alpha$ -stages s+1 such that there are x and y satisfying  $(3,1)\sim(3,3)$  at s+1. Hence, if  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is not satisfied at  $\tau(a)$ , then the range of  $z(\alpha,s)$ , as a function of s, is infinite. By the prompt simplicity of C, there is a stage when  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  is promptly permitted by C and enumerated in A.

If for every y, C changes to below  $\varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y\rangle)$  after  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  is enumerated in A, then we could show that  $K \leq_{\text{wtt}} C$ , a contradiction to the assumption that C is incomplete.

### 4 Construction

A strategy  $\alpha$  for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  requires attention at stage s+1 if  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is not satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ ,  $z_{\alpha}$  is defined,  $\tau(\alpha) = 0$  of  $\alpha$ ,  $\tau(\alpha) = 0$ , and there exist  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma \gg z_{\alpha}$  such that

- (4.1)  $x \in W_{i,s} W_{i,s'}$ , where  $s' + 1 \le s$  is the last  $\tau(a)$ -stage,
- $(4.2) y \in K_{i}, \langle e, i, y \rangle < l(\tau(a), s), \langle e, i, y \rangle \in A_{s},$
- $(4.3) \varphi(\langle e,i,v \rangle) \leq x$ , and
- (4.4) there is an  $\alpha$ -stage  $\leq s$  after the last  $\alpha$ -stage when  $\alpha$  received attention.

It is similar to defining a strategy  $\alpha$  for  $\mathcal{Q}_{e,i}$  requiring attention at stage s+1.

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

Stage s+1: The construction will proceed by performing the following steps.

Step 1. For every strategy  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha \cap \mathbb{O} \subset \delta_i$ , if  $\alpha$  is a strategy for  $\mathscr{R}_{\epsilon}(\text{or } \mathscr{Q}_{\epsilon})$ , then define  $p_{\alpha}(s') = s$  for every  $s' \leq s$  with  $p_{\alpha,i}(s') \uparrow$ , and if there is a strategy  $\beta$  for  $\mathscr{R}_{\epsilon,i}(\text{or } \mathscr{Q}_{\epsilon,i})$  such that  $\tau(\beta) = \alpha$  and some  $\langle e,i,y \rangle$  was enumerated in A (or B) after the last  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage t+1 and  $C_t \lceil \varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y \rangle) = C_t \lceil \varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y \rangle) \rangle$  (or  $C_t \lceil \psi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y \rangle) = C_t \lceil \varphi_{\epsilon}(\langle e,i,y \rangle) \rangle$ ), then  $\mathscr{R}_{\epsilon,i}(\text{or } \mathscr{Q}_{\epsilon,i})$  is satisfied at  $\alpha$  unless  $\alpha$  is initialized afterwards.

Step 2. Find the least  $\alpha$  requiring attention at stage s+1.

Case 1. If  $\alpha$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{\epsilon,i}$ , then let y be the least one satisfying (4.1)  $\sim$  (4.3). If for every  $\mathcal{M}$ strategy  $\beta$  with  $\tau(\alpha) \subset \beta^{\wedge}$   $0 \subseteq \alpha$ , there is no element enumerated in B by any  $\hat{\epsilon} \supset \beta$  after the last  $\beta$ -expansionary
stage, then go to step 2. Otherwise, firstly define

$$z(\alpha, s) = \min\{\theta_{\beta}(z): r(\alpha) \subset \beta \cap 0 \subseteq \alpha, z < l(\beta, s_{\beta}), \langle e, i, y \rangle < \theta_{\beta}(z), \exists y'(\theta_{\beta}(z) > y' \in B_s - B_{s_{\beta}})\},$$

where  $s_{\beta}+1 \leq s$  is the last  $\beta$ -expansionary stage and  $\theta_{\beta}(y)$  is the recursive use function of  $\Theta_{j}(A \oplus C)$  if  $\beta$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{M}_{i}$ ; secondly enumerate  $z(\alpha, s)$  in  $G_{\alpha}$ , enumerate  $W_{h(\alpha)}$  until a stage  $t \geq s$  such that  $z(\alpha, s) \in W_{h(\alpha), at i}$ , and then compute p(t). If  $C_{i}[z(\alpha, s) \neq C_{p(i)}[z(\alpha, s)]$ , then go to step 3, otherwise, go to step 4.

Case 2. If  $\alpha$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{Q}_{\epsilon,i}$ , then proceed as in case 1 replacing A by B and B by A.

Step 3. Enumerate  $\langle e,i,y\rangle$  in A if  $\alpha$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$ ; enumerate in B if  $\alpha$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{Q}_{e,i}$ ; and initialize every node  $Y >_L \alpha$ .

Step 4. For every  $a \subset \delta_i$ , if  $z_a$  is undefined, then assign the least unused number to be  $z_a$ .

Step 5. Initialize every node  $\gamma >_L \delta_r$ .

This ends the description of the construction.

#### 5 Verification

Let  $\delta$ =liminf  $\delta_i$  be the *true path*. We prove the following lemmas by induction on  $\alpha \subset \delta$ .

**Lemma 5.1.** If  $\alpha \subset \delta$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{R}_{r,i}$ , such that  $\tau(\alpha) \cap \emptyset \subset \delta$ , then  $\mathcal{R}_{e,i}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$  eventually and  $\alpha$  enumerates only finitely many elements in A.

*Proof.* Let  $s_0$  be the least  $\sigma$ -stage such that  $\alpha$  is not initialized after  $s_0$ . Let  $z_\alpha$  be the follower of  $\alpha$  at the end of stage  $s_0$ . Since  $\tau(\alpha) \cap 0 \subset \delta$ , we have  $A = \Phi_{\epsilon}(C \oplus U_{\epsilon})$ .

Assume that  $\mathscr{R}_{s,i}$  is not satisfied at  $\tau(a)$ , then  $|W_i| = \infty$ . There are infinitely many  $\tau(a)$ -stages s+1 when  $\alpha$  requires attention. Given any  $y \geqslant z_a$  with  $y \in K$ , if  $\langle e, i, y \rangle \in A$ , then there are infinitely many  $\tau(\alpha)$ -stages s+1 when  $\alpha$  requires attention via y, and so the range of  $z(\alpha,s)$ , as a function of s, is infinite. By the prompt simplicity of C, there exist an x and a stage  $s+1 \geqslant s_0$  such that  $\alpha$  requires attention via x,  $\langle e, i, y \rangle$  is enumerated in A at s+1, a contradiction. Hence,  $\langle e, i, y \rangle$  is enumerated in A at some  $\tau(\alpha)$ -stage, say s+1, and  $C_s \lceil \varphi_s(\langle e, i, y \rangle) \neq C_t \lceil \varphi_s(\langle e, i, y \rangle)$ , otherwise  $\mathscr{R}_{e,i}$  would be satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$ , where  $t+1 \geqslant s$  is the next  $\tau(\alpha)$ -expansionary stage. Now we show that  $K \leqslant_{wi} C$ . To decide whether  $y \in K$  for any given  $y \geqslant z_\alpha$ , find a stage  $s+1 > s_0$  such that  $C_s \lceil \varphi_s(\langle e, i, y \rangle) = C \lceil \varphi_s(\langle e, i, y \rangle)$ , then  $y \in K$  iff  $y \in K_s$ . This is a contradiction to the assumption that C is incomplete. Hence,  $\mathscr{R}_{e,i}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(\alpha)$  eventually, and  $\alpha$  enumerates finitely many elements in A.

Similarly we can prove the following.

**Lemma 5.2.** If  $a \subset \delta$  is a strategy for  $\mathcal{Q}_{\epsilon,i}$  such that  $\tau(a) \cap 0 \subset \delta$ , then  $\mathcal{Q}_{\epsilon,i}$  is satisfied at  $\tau(a)$  eventually and a enumerates only finitely many elements in B.

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

*Proof.* Let  $s_0$  be the stage as defined in Lemma 5.1. If  $\alpha \cap 0 \not\subset \delta$ , then  $\mathscr{M}_{\epsilon}$  is satisfied; otherwise,  $f_{\epsilon}$  is total. To C-recursively compute  $f_{\epsilon}(y)$  for any given y, find an  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage  $s+1 \geqslant s_0$  such that

$$C_s[\theta_{\epsilon}(y) = C[\theta_{\epsilon}(y),$$

then  $f_{\epsilon}(y) = f_{\epsilon,i}(y)$ . We now show that at any  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage t+1 > s, if  $A_t \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \neq A_{t'} \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \rceil$  and  $B_t \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \neq B_t \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \rceil$ , where t'+1 > t is the next  $\alpha$ -expansionary stage, then  $C_t \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \neq C \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \rceil$ . By the construction, we assume that some  $z < \theta_{\epsilon}(y)$  is enumerated in A at t+1. Then by the initialization, another  $z' < \theta_{\epsilon}(y)$  is enumerated in B by any  $\mathcal{Q}$ -strategy  $\mathcal{E}$  at any stage  $u+1 \leq t'$ , which  $\geq t$  only if  $\tau(\mathcal{E}) \subset a^{\wedge} 0 \subset \mathcal{E}$  and C promptly permits  $\theta_{\epsilon}(y)$  at u+1, i. e.,  $C_t \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \neq C \lceil \theta_{\epsilon}(y) \rceil$ , a contradiction to the choice of s. Hence,  $f_{t,t'}(y) = f_{t,t'}(y)$ .

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## Rwtt/Mwtt中的枝点元素

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摘要 该文证明了在  $R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$ 中除了最大元和最小元外,每个元 c 是枝点元素,即为某两个大于 c 的元素的最大下界,其中  $R_{wtt}/M_{wtt}$ 是递归可枚举弱真值表归约度集  $R_{wtt}$ 模可盖递归可枚举弱真值表归约度集  $M_{wtt}$ 的商. 关键词 递归可枚举度,弱真值表归约.

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