

# Ordinal Ranks on the Baire and non-Baire class functions

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**Caution:** Without mentioning, we always assume **AD** (axiom of determinacy).

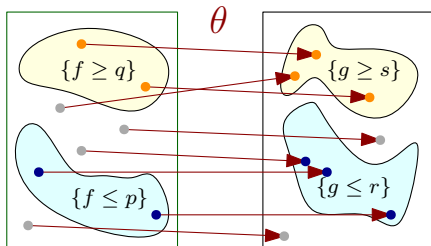
But, of course:

- If we restrict our attention to **Borel** sets and **Baire** functions, every result presented in this talk is provable within **ZFC**.
- If we restrict our attention to **projective** sets and functions, every result presented in this talk is provable within **ZF+DC+PD**.
- We even have  $L(\mathbb{R}) \models \mathbf{AD}^+$ , assuming that there are arbitrarily large Woodin cardinals.

## Day-Downey-Westrick's $m$ -reducibility

For  $f, g : 2^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , say  $f$  is  $m$ -reducible to  $g$  (written  $f \leq_m g$ ) if given  $p < q$ , there are  $r < s$  and continuous  $\theta : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^\omega$  s.t.

- If  $f(x) \leq p$  then  $g(\theta(x)) \leq r$ .
- If  $f(x) \geq q$  then  $g(\theta(x)) \geq s$ .



## Definition (Bourgain 1980)

Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p < q$ , and  $S \subseteq X$ .

Define the  $(f, p, q)$ -derivative  $D_{f,p,q}(S)$  of  $S$  as follows.

$$S \setminus \bigcup \{x \in S : (\exists U \ni x) f[U] \subseteq (-\infty, q) \text{ or } f[U] \subseteq (p, \infty)\},$$

where  $U$  ranges over open sets. Consider the derivation procedure

$$P_{f,p,q}^0 = X, P_{f,p,q}^{\xi+1} = D_{f,p,q}(P_{f,p,q}^{\xi}), P_{f,p,q}^{\lambda} = \bigcap_{\xi < \lambda} P_{f,p,q}^{\xi} \text{ for } \lambda \text{ limit}$$

The Bourgain rank  $\alpha(f)$  is defined as follows:

$$\alpha(f, p, q) = \min\{\alpha : P_{f,p,q}^{\alpha} = \emptyset\}; \quad \alpha(f) = \sup_{p < q} \alpha(f, p, q).$$

- $\alpha(f) = 1 \iff f$  is continuous.
- The rank  $\alpha(f)$  exists  $\iff f$  is a Baire-one function.  
( $f$  is Baire-one iff it is a pointwise limit of continuous functions)

(Bourgain introduced this notion to analyze the Odell-Rosenthal theorem in Banach space theory)

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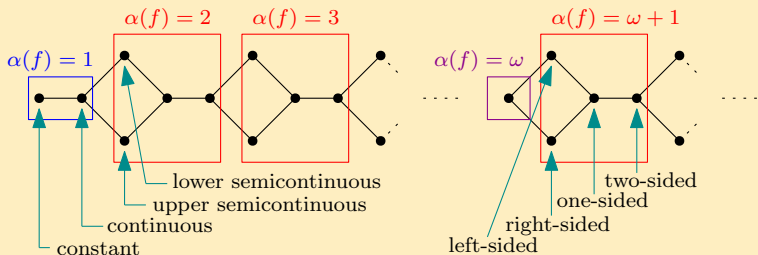
Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a Baire-one function.

- 1  $f$  is *two-sided* if  $\exists p < q$  s.t.  $\alpha(f, p, q) = \alpha(f)$  and  $\forall v < \alpha(f) \exists x, y$  rank  $> v$  s.t.  $f(x) \leq p < q \leq f(y)$ .
- 2 If  $f$  is not two-sided, it is called *one-sided*.
- 3  $f$  is *left-sided* if  $\forall p < q$  with  $\alpha(f, p, q) = \alpha(f)$ ,  $\exists v < \alpha(f) \forall x$  rank  $> v$ ,  $f(x) < p$ .
- 4  $f$  is *right-sided* if  $\forall p < q$  with  $\alpha(f, p, q) = \alpha(f)$ ,  $\exists v < \alpha(f) \forall x$  rank  $> v$ ,  $f(x) > q$ .
- 5  $f$  is *free one-sided* if it is one-, but neither left- nor right-sided.

- Rank 2 and left-sided  $\iff$  lower semicontinuous
- Rank 2 and right-sided  $\iff$  upper semicontinuous

## Theorem (Day-Downey-Westrick)

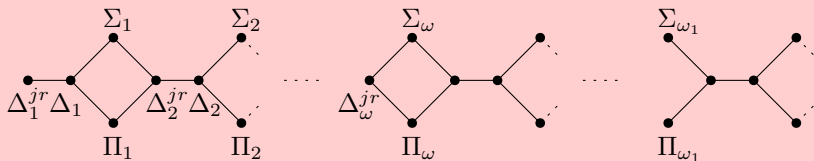
- For Baire-one functions,  $\alpha(f) \leq \alpha(g)$  implies  $f \leq_m g$ .
- The  $\alpha$ -rank **1** consists of **two**  $m$ -degrees.
- Each **successor**  $\alpha$ -rank  $> 1$  consists of **four**  $m$ -degrees.
- Each **limit**  $\alpha$ -rank consists of a **single**  $m$ -degree.



This gives a full description of the  $m$ -degrees of the Baire-one functions.

## 1st Main Theorem (K.)

The structure of the DDW- $m$ -degrees of real-valued functions looks like the following figure:



The DDW- $m$ -degrees form a [semi-well-order of height  \$\Theta\$](#) .

( $\Theta$  = the least ordinal  $\alpha > 0$  s.t. there is no surjection from  $\mathbb{R}$  onto  $\alpha$ .)

For a [limit ordinal](#)  $\xi < \Theta$  and finite  $n < \omega$ ,

- the DDW- $m$ -rank  $\xi + 3n + c_\xi$  consists of two incomparable degrees
- each of the other ranks consists of a single degree.

Here,  $c_\xi = 2$  if  $\xi = 0$ ;  $c_\xi = 1$  if  $\text{cf}(\xi) = \omega$ ; and  $c_\xi = 0$  if  $\text{cf}(\xi) \geq \omega_1$ .



## Theorem (K.-Montalbán; 201x)

The Wadge degrees  $\approx$  the “natural” **many-one** degrees.

DDW defined **T**-reducibility for  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued functions as **parallel continuous (strong) Weihrauch reducibility** ( $f \leq_T g$  iff  $f \leq_{SW}^c \widehat{g}$ ):

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## 2nd Main Theorem (K.)

The DDW **T**-degrees  $\approx$  the “natural” **Turing** degrees.

(Steel '82; Becker '88) The “natural” Turing degrees form a well-order of type  $\Theta$ . Hence, the DDW **T**-degrees (of nonconst. functions) form a well-order of type  $\Theta$ . (The DDW **T**-rank of a Baire class function coincides with  $2_+$  its Baire rank)

## More Theorems... (with Westrick)

There are many other characterizations of DDW **T**-degrees, e.g., relative computability w.r.t. point-open topology on the space  $\mathbb{R}^{(2^\omega)}$ .

## The 1st Main Theorem

- **Pointclass:**  $\Gamma \subseteq \omega^\omega$
- **Dual:**  $\check{\Gamma} = \{\omega^\omega \setminus A : A \in \Gamma\}$ .
- A pointclass  $\Gamma$  is **selfdual** iff  $\Gamma = \check{\Gamma}$ .
- For  $A, B \subseteq \omega^\omega$ ,  $A$  is **Wadge reducible** to  $B$  ( $A \leq_w B$ ) if  
 $(\exists \theta \text{ continuous})(\forall X \in \omega^\omega) X \in A \iff \theta(X) \in B$ .
- $A \subseteq \omega^\omega$  is **selfdual** if  $A \equiv_w \omega^\omega \setminus A$ .
- $A \subseteq \omega^\omega$  is selfdual iff  $\Gamma_A = \{B \in \omega^\omega : B \leq_w A\}$  is selfdual.

$\Delta^1_\alpha$  is selfdual, but  $\Sigma^1_\alpha$  and  $\Pi^1_\alpha$  are nonselfdual.

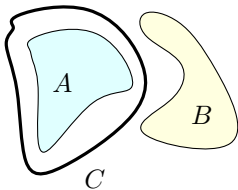
**Theorem (Wadge; Martin-Monk 1970s)**

The Wadge degrees are semi-well-ordered.

In particular, nonselfdual pairs are well-ordered, say  $(\Gamma_\alpha, \check{\Gamma}_\alpha)_{\alpha < \Theta}$  where  $\Theta$  is the height of the Wadge degrees.

A pointclass  $\Gamma$  has the **separation property** if

$$(\forall A, B \in \Gamma) [A \cap B = \emptyset \implies (\exists C \in \Gamma \cap \check{\Gamma}) A \subseteq C \text{ \& } B \cap C = \emptyset]$$



Example (Lusin 1927, Novikov 1935, and others)

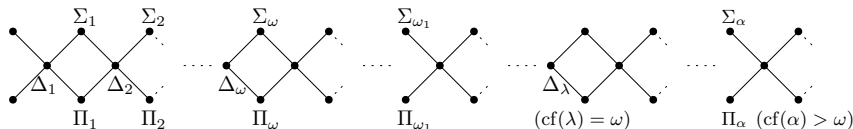
- $\Pi_{\sim \alpha}^0$  has the separation property for any  $\alpha < \omega_1$ .
- $\Sigma_{\sim 1}^1$  and  $\Pi_{\sim 2}^1$  have the separation property.
- (PD)  $\Sigma_{\sim 2n+1}^1$  and  $\Pi_{\sim 2n+2}^1$  have the separation property.

Nonselfdual pairs are well-ordered, say  $(\Gamma_\alpha, \check{\Gamma}_\alpha)_{\alpha < \Theta}$ .

Theorem (Van Wasep 1978; Steel 1981)

Exactly one of  $\Gamma_\alpha$  and  $\check{\Gamma}_\alpha$  has the **separation** property.

- $\Pi_\alpha$ : the one which has the **separation** property
- $\Sigma_\alpha$ : the other one
- $\Delta_\alpha = \Sigma_\alpha \cap \Pi_\alpha$



Example

$\Delta_1 = \text{clopen } (\Delta_1^0)$ ;  $\Sigma_1 = \text{open } (\Sigma_1^0)$ ;  $\Pi_1 = \text{closed } (\Pi_1^0)$ ;

$\Delta_\alpha, \Sigma_\alpha, \Pi_\alpha$  ( $\alpha < \omega_1$ ): the  $\alpha^{\text{th}}$  level of the Hausdorff difference hierarchy

$\Sigma_{\omega_1} = F_\sigma (\Sigma_2^0)$ ;  $\Pi_{\omega_1} = G_\delta (\Pi_2^0)$

## Example

- $\Sigma_{\sim 2}^0, \Pi_{\sim 2}^0$ : Wadge-rank  $\omega_1$ .
- $\Sigma_{\sim 3}^0, \Pi_{\sim 3}^0$ : Wadge-rank  $\omega_1^{\omega_1}$ .
- $\Sigma_{\sim n}^0, \Pi_{\sim n}^0$ : Wadge-rank  $\omega_1 \uparrow\uparrow n$  (the  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of the superexp hierarchy)
- $\varepsilon_0[\omega_1] := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\omega_1 \uparrow\uparrow n)$ : Its cofinality is  $\omega$ .  
Hence, the class of rank  $\varepsilon_0[\omega_1]$  is selfdual.  
Moreover,  $\Delta_{\varepsilon_0[\omega_1]}$  is far smaller than  $\Delta_{\sim \omega}^0$ .
- (Wadge)  $\varepsilon_{\omega_1}[\omega_1]$ : the  $\omega_1^{\text{th}}$  fixed point of the exp. of base  $\omega_1$ .  
 $\Sigma_{\sim \omega}^0, \Pi_{\sim \omega}^0$ : Wadge-rank  $\varepsilon_{\omega_1}[\omega_1]$ .

## Example

- (Wadge) The **Veblen hierarchy** of base  $\omega_1$ :  
 $\phi_\alpha(\gamma)$ : the  $\gamma^{\text{th}}$  ordinal closed under  $+$ ,  $\sup_{n \in \omega}$ , and  $(\phi_\beta)_{\beta < \alpha}$ .
- $\phi_0$  enumerates  $1, \omega_1, \omega_1^2, \omega_1^3, \dots, \omega_1^{\omega+1}, \omega_1^{\omega+2}, \dots$
- $\phi_1$  enumerates  $1, \varepsilon_{\omega_1}[\omega_1], \dots$
- $\sum_{\sim \omega^\alpha}^0, \prod_{\sim \omega^\alpha}^0$ : Wadge-rank  $\phi_\alpha(1)$  ( $0 < \alpha < \omega_1$ ).
- $\sum_{\sim 1}^1, \prod_{\sim 1}^1$ : Wadge-rank  $\sup_{\xi < \omega_1} \phi_\xi(1)$ .

$\mathbb{T} = \{0, 1, \perp\}$ : Plotkin's order;  $\perp < 0, 1$ . For  $A, B : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ ,  $A$  is  $\mathbb{T}$ - $m$ -Wadge reducible to  $B$  ( $A \leq_{mw}^{\mathbb{T}} B$ ) if for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there are  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and a continuous function  $\theta : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  such that

$$(\forall X \in \omega^\omega) A(n \frown X) \leq B(m \frown \theta(X)).$$

$A$  is  $\sigma$ -join-reducible if  $A \upharpoonright n <_w A$  for any  $n \in \omega$ .

For a function  $f : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , define  $Lev_f : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$  as follows:  
For any  $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $p < q$

$$Lev_f(\langle p, q \rangle \frown X) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } q \leq f(X), \\ 0 & \text{if } f(X) \leq p, \\ \perp & \text{if } p < f(X) < q. \end{cases}$$

A pair  $\langle p, q \rangle$  is identified with a natural number in an effective manner.

Remark:  $f \leq_m g$  iff  $Lev_f \leq_{mw}^{\mathbb{T}} Lev_g$ .



## Main Lemma

$\forall f : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \exists \xi < \Theta$  s.t. exactly one of the following holds.

- $Lev_f$  is  $\Sigma_\xi$ -complete.
- $Lev_f$  is  $\Pi_\xi$ -complete.
- $Lev_f$  is  $\Delta_\xi$ -complete and  $\sigma$ -join-reducible.
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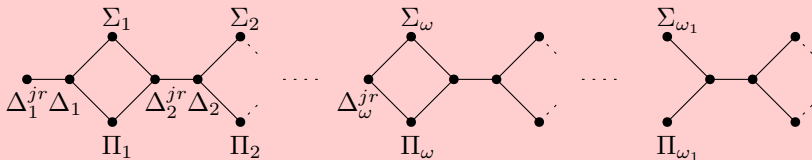
Moreover, each of the above class contains exactly one  $\mathbb{T}$ - $m$ -W-degree.

This is NOT trivial because there are many more  $\mathbb{T}$ - $m$ -W-degrees:

The [separation property](#) plays a key role to show that the other degrees cannot be realized by functions of the form  $Lev_f$ .

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Fact: every Polish  $\mathcal{X}$  admits an open continuous surjection  $\delta : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ .

### Corollary (Polish version of DDW)

$f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Baire-one;  $\delta : \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  open continuous surjection

- 1  $\alpha(f) = \xi + 1$  and either  $f$  is left- or right-sided  
 $\iff Lev_{f \circ \delta}$  is either  $\Sigma_\xi$ - or  $\Pi_\xi$ -complete.
- 2  $\alpha(f) = \xi$  and  $f$  is two-sided  
 $\iff Lev_{f \circ \delta}$  is  $\Delta_\xi^0$ -complete and  $\sigma$ -join-irreducible.
- 3 For successor  $\xi$ ,  $\alpha(f) = \xi$  and  $f$  is free one-sided  
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- 4 For limit  $\xi$ ,  $\alpha(f) = \xi$  and  $f$  is one-sided  
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Note that  $\Delta_\xi^0$ ,  $\Sigma_\xi^0$ , and  $\Pi_\xi^0$  are the corresponding pointclasses in the  $\xi$ -th rank of the Hausdorff difference hierarchy.

## The 2nd Main Theorem

- Natural Solution to Post's Problem:  
Is there a "*natural*" intermediate c.e. Turing degree?
- Natural degrees should be **relativizable** and **degree invariant**:
  - (Relativizability) It is a function  $f : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^\omega$ .
  - (Degree-Invariance)  $X \equiv_T Y$  implies  $f(X) \equiv_T f(Y)$ .
- (Sacks 1963) Is there a **degree invariant** c.e. **operator** which always gives us an intermediate Turing degree?
- (Lachlan 1975) There is no **uniformly degree invariant** c.e. **operator** which always gives us an intermediate Turing degree.
- (The **Martin Conjecture**; a.k.a. the 5<sup>th</sup> Victoria-Delfino problem)
  - **Degree invariant** increasing **functions** are well-ordered,
  - and each successor rank is given by the Turing jump.
- (Cabal) The VD problems 1-5 appeared in 1978; the VD problems 6-14 in 1988.  
Only the 5<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> are still unsolved (the 14<sup>th</sup> asks whether  $\mathbf{AD}^+ = \mathbf{AD}$ ).
- (Steel 1982) The Martin Conjecture holds true for **uniformly degree invariant functions**.

(Hypothesis) Natural degrees are **relativizable** and **degree-invariant**.

- $f : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^\omega$  is **uniformly degree invariant (UI)** if there is a function  $u : \omega^2 \rightarrow \omega^2$  such that for all  $X, Y \in 2^\omega$ ,

$$X \equiv_T Y \text{ via } (i, j) \implies f(X) \equiv_T f(Y) \text{ via } u(i, j).$$

- $f : 2^\omega \rightarrow 2^\omega$  is **uniformly order preserving (UOP)** if there is a function  $u : \omega \rightarrow \omega$  such that for all  $X, Y \in 2^\omega$ ,

$$X \leq_T Y \text{ via } e \implies f(X) \leq_T f(Y) \text{ via } u(e).$$

- $f$  is **Turing reducible to  $g$  on a cone** ( $f \leq_T^\nabla g$ ) if

$$(\exists C \in 2^\omega)(\forall X \geq_T C) f(X) \leq_T g(X) \oplus C.$$

**Theorem (Steel 1982; Slaman-Steel 1988; Becker 1988)**

- The  $\equiv_T^\nabla$ -degree of UI functions form a well-order of length  $\Theta$ .
- Every UI function is  $\equiv_T^\nabla$ -equivalent to a UOP function.

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## 2nd Main Theorem (K.)

The identity map gives an isomorphism between the  $\equiv_{\mathbf{T}}^{\forall}$ -degrees of UOP functions and the DDW  $\mathbf{T}$ -degrees of real-valued functions.