

# Variants of Constructions of Noncuppable Degrees

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# Computably enumerable sets and degrees

- Halting problem and Post problem, early structural results on c.e. degrees
- Shoenfield Conjecture — Lachlan and Yates' work
- Cuppable degrees and cappable degrees
- Noncuppable degrees (Yates) and noncappable degrees (Lachlan)
- Harrington' work:
  - Every high c.e. degree bounds a high noncuppable degree.
  - cups or caps — all noncuppable degrees are cappable.

# Low-Cuppable=Noncuppable

- Low<sub>*n*</sub> cuppable degrees,  $LC_n$
- (Ambos-Spies, Jockusch, Shore and Soare 1984)  
Low-cuppable degrees, noncuppable, promptly simple degrees coincide with each other.
- (Li, Wu and Zhang 2000)  
There is a c.e. degree, cuppable and low<sub>2</sub>-cuppable. Thus,  $LC$  is a proper subset of  $LC_2$ .
- **Question:** Is it true that for each  $n$ , there is a c.e. degree low <sub>$n+1$</sub> -cuppable, but not low <sub>$n$</sub> -cuppable?

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- **Theorem:** (Stephan and W.)

The witness  $\mathbf{c}$  can be  $\text{high}_2$ . So

- There is a  $\text{high}_2$  nonbounding degree (Downey, Lempp and Shore).
  - There is a  $\text{high}_2$  plus-cupping degree, in terms of Harrington (Li).
  - There is a  $\text{high}_2$  degree bounding no bases of Slaman triples (Leonardi).
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- (Fang, Wang and W.) For any nonzero and incomplete c.e. degree  $\mathbf{a}$ , there are two c.e. degrees  $\mathbf{c}_1$  and  $\mathbf{c}_2$  above  $\mathbf{a}$  such that  $\mathbf{c}_1 \cup \mathbf{c}_2$  is high. As a corollary, we can have that
    - nonbounding degrees do not form an ideal (Li and Wang).
    - plus-cupping degrees do not form an ideal (Li and Wang).

Li-Wang's two results were proved by two separated arguments.

# High degrees, i.e. $H' \equiv_T K'$

- A function is dominant if it dominates all computable functions.
- (Tennenbaum 1963, Martin 1966) If  $A$  is maximal then  $p_A$  is dominant.
- (Martin) A set  $X$  is high iff there is a dominant function  $f \leq_T X$ .
- (Martin) For c.e. degrees, **a** say, **a** has high degree iff **a** contains a maximal c.e. set  $A$  iff  $p_A$  is dominant.
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  - Cooper: Every high c.e. degree bounds a minimal pair.
  - Shore and Slaman: every high c.e. degree bounds a Slaman triple.

- Superhigh and superlow sets are proposed by Mohrherr in her thesis.
  - 1 incomplete superhigh c.e. degrees.
  - 2 high, but not superhigh, c.e. degrees.
- Ng (Shore, unpublished): a minimal pair of superhigh degrees
- Jockusch and Mohrherr: the diamond lattice embedding into the c.e.  $tt$ -degrees: 0 and 1 with two atoms (super)low.
- Cenzer, Johanna, Liu and W.: **two atoms can be superhigh.**



# Almost everywhere dominating degrees

## Definition:

(Dobrinen and Simpson)

A set  $A$  is almost everywhere dominating (a.e.d. for short) if for almost all sets  $X$  and all functions  $g \leq_T X$ , there is a function  $f \leq_T A$  such that  $f$  dominates  $g$ .

- Kurtz:  $\emptyset'$  has this property.
- Cholak, Greenberg and Miller (2004): an incomplete c.e. set with almost everywhere dominating property.
- Simpson 2007: almost everywhere dominating sets are superhigh.
- Simpson 2007: a superhigh c.e. set without almost everywhere dominating property.
- **Question:** Are there a minimal pair of two c.e. sets with almost everywhere dominating property?

# Superlow sets and jump traceability

- Superlow sets can have joint  $\emptyset'$ , and  $K$ -trivial sets are superlow.
- Over c.e. sets, “superlow” and “jump traceable” coincide.

A set  $A$  is  **$h$ -jump traceable** for a computable order  $h$  if there is a uniformly c.e. sets

$$T_0, T_1, T_2, \dots,$$

such that  $|T_n| \leq h(n)$  and that if  $\Phi_e^{(\cdot)}$  converges,  $\Phi_e^{(\cdot)}$  is in  $T_e$  for each  $e$ .

A set  $A$  is jump traceable if it is  $h$ -jump traceable for some computable function  $h$ .

- (Diamondstone) There is a low-cuppable degree, which is not cuppable to  $\emptyset''$  by any superlow c.e. set.

- (Downey, Jockusch and Stob) A degree is **array noncomputable** (anr) if and only if there is a function  $f \leq_{wtt} \emptyset'$  that dominates all **a**-computable functions. A degree is array computable if it is not anr.
- Fact: all array computable degrees are  $\text{low}_2$ .
- (Downey, Jockusch and Stob) There is a low c.e. anc degree. So array computable c.e. degrees form a proper subclass of  $\text{low}_2$  c.e. degrees.

A set  $A$ , and the degree of  $A$ , are **c.e. traceable** if there is a computable function  $p$  (called a bound) such that for each function  $f \leq_T A$ , there is a computable function  $h$  (called a trace of  $f$ ) such that for all  $n$ ,

- 1  $|W_{h(n)}| \leq p(n)$  and
- 2  $f(n) \in W_{h(n)}$ .

- A c.e. degree is **array computable** if and only if it is **c.e. traceable** if and only if **it has a strong minimal cover**.
- (Ishmukametov) If the c.e. degrees are definable in the global structure of degrees, then so are the anc degrees.

# Tracing $wtt$ degrees

Similarly, we can say that a weak truth-table degree  $\mathbf{a}$  is **c.e. traceable** if there is a computable order  $h$  such that for each function  $f \leq_{wtt} \mathbf{a}$ , there is a computable collection  $\{W_{g(x)} : x \in \omega\}$  with

- 1  $|W_{g(n)}| \leq h(n)$  and
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## Theorem (Franklin, Greenberg, Stephan and W.)

For a set  $A$ , the following are equivalent:

- 1 The  $wtt$  degree of  $A$  is c.e. traceable;
- 2  $A$  is  $wtt$ -reducible to a Schnorr trivial set;
- 3  $A$  is anti-complex.

That is, for every computable order  $h$ ,  $C(A \upharpoonright h(n)) \leq n$  for almost all  $n$ .

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This result shows the minimal pair exists in the quotient  $\mathbf{R}/\mathcal{N}Cup$ .

Recall that the quotient  $\mathbf{R}/\mathcal{M}$  does not have minimal pairs.

## Theorem (Greenberg, Ng and W.)

There is a cuppable c.e. degrees  $\mathbf{a}$  such that all the c.e. degrees cupping  $\mathbf{a}$  to  $\mathbf{0}'$  are high.

This result says that  $\bigcup_n LC_n$  does not exhaust all cuppable degrees, refuting a claim of Li in 2000 that any cuppable degree is  $\text{low}_3$ -cuppable.

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$$TOT(i) = \lim_x \Delta_e^{W_e}(i, x).$$

- Again, there is a direct conflict between diagonalization and the highness strategies.

# Thanks!