

The strong degrees of categoricity above \aleph_0

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Example 1: Consider the standard model of arithmetic \mathcal{N} and $\mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{B} \cong \mathcal{N}$. We can compute an isomorphism between \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} by $\mathbf{n}^{\mathcal{A}} \mapsto \mathbf{n}^{\mathcal{B}}$ ($\mathbf{n}^{\mathcal{A}}$ is the value of the term representing n in \mathcal{A} .)

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Observation:

- Classification up to computable isomorphism ensures equal algorithmic properties.
- Degree of categoricity \implies measure of complexity. Least degree such that modulo \mathbf{d} , all computable copies are algorithmically equivalent.

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All the examples we considered had a good copy \mathcal{G} and a bad copy \mathcal{B} such that the isomorphisms between \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{B} witness the minimality of its degree of categoricity.

Definition

A degree of categoricity \mathbf{d} is *strong* if there is \mathcal{A} with $dgcat(\mathcal{A}) = \mathbf{d}$ and copies \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{B} such that for every isomorphism $f : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ $f \geq_T \mathbf{d}$.

Question 2: Is every degree of categoricity strong?

EVERY C.E. DEGREE IS A DEGREE OF CATEGORICITY

Fix c.e. $D \subseteq \omega$. We will construct two copies \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{B} of a graph.

They are the disjoint unions of the following connected components for all $n \in \omega$.

	\mathcal{G}	\mathcal{B}	
$n \notin D$			$a_n \mapsto a_n$ $b_n \mapsto b_n$
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Proposition

Every c.e. degree is a degree of categoricity.

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- Every Δ_2^0 degree is a degree of categoricity. (Csimá, Ng '21)

All of these examples use similar coding ideas to the one for c.e. degrees. The codings get more and more complicated and are then combined with Marker extensions (Pairs of structures).

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\mathcal{A}_2 is obtained from \mathcal{A}_1 by a coding trick.

Idea to obtain \mathcal{A}_1 :

- (1) Given a computable tree T build a computable structure \mathcal{A} such that $aut(\mathcal{A}) - id \equiv_w [T]$
- (2) Force \mathcal{A} to have degree of categoricity $\mathbf{0}$
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If we were able to get rid of the $\mathbf{0}''$, then we would get that every treeable degree is a degree of categoricity using the structure \mathcal{A}_2 .

This seems to be difficult:

- All natural structures have computable dimension $\mathbf{1}$ or ω .
- Producing something with finite computable dimension seems to rely on infinite injury.
- (Goncharov) If a structure has degree of categoricity $\leq \mathbf{0}'$, then it has computable dimension $\mathbf{1}$ or ω .

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Can we obtain new examples using this characterization?

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The following degrees are degrees of function singletons:

- (folklore) For all computable ordinals α , $\mathbf{0}^{(\alpha)}$ is the degree of a function singleton.
- (Jockusch, MacLaughlin '69) If \mathbf{d} contains a function singleton, then so does every \mathbf{c} with $\mathbf{d} \leq \mathbf{c} \leq \mathbf{d}'$.
- (Harrington '76) There is a non-arithmetical function singleton h such that $h^{(n)} \not\leq \mathbf{0}^{(\omega)}$ for all $n \in \omega$.

Corollary

- (1) For every computable $\alpha \geq 2$, every degree $\mathbf{d} \in [\mathbf{0}^{(\alpha)}, \mathbf{0}^{(\alpha+1)}]$ is a degree of categoricity.
- (2) There is a degree \mathbf{d} such that for every $n \in \omega$, $\mathbf{c} \in [\mathbf{d}^{(n)}, \mathbf{d}^{(n+1)}]$ is a non-arithmetic degree of categoricity.

Proposition (Csimá, R.)

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Eliminating $\mathbf{0}''$ could be possible but will require new techniques:

1. (Goncharov) If a structure has degree of categoricity less than $\mathbf{0}'$, then it has computable dimension $\mathbf{1}$ or ω .
2. (Bazhenov, Yamaleev) There is a d-c.e. degree that is not the degree of categoricity of a rigid structure.

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There is a degree $\mathbf{d} \in (\mathbf{0}', \mathbf{0}'')$ that is not the degree of categoricity of a rigid structure.

We do not even know whether every function singleton is the degree of categoricity of a structure.

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Theorem (Franklin, Turetsky '19)

A degree \mathbf{d} is low for isomorphism if and only if it is low for paths.

All known(★) examples of hyperarithmetic degrees that are not degrees of categoricity can also be shown not to be treeable.

Definition

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A pointclass $X \subseteq \omega^\omega$ is Π_n^0 -definable if there is a Π_n^0 -formula in the language of arithmetic with an additional function variable defining membership in X .

Proposition (Csimá, R. 22)

Every treeable degree is a Π_4^0 singleton.

Question (Gerdes): Is there a characterization of the self-moduli in terms of arithmetic definability?

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