# Definability and isolation from side in the local degree theory

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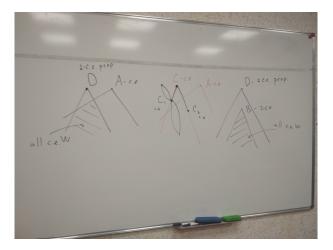
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## Q1. Isolation from side and definability

- Is any properly 2-c.e. degree either isolated or isolated from side nontrivially? Namely, given 2-c.e. set D with a proper 2-c.e. Turing degree. Do there exist a c.e. A such that D ≰<sub>T</sub> A and for any c.e. W ≤<sub>T</sub> D we have W ≤<sub>T</sub> A?
- Is any properly 2-c.e. degree either isolated or pseudoisolated (by G. Wu, 2005)? Namely, given 2-c.e. set D with a proper 2-c.e. Turing degree. Do there exist a 2-c.e.  $B \leq_T D$  such that  $D \not\leq_T B$  and for any c.e.  $W \leq_T D$  we have  $W \leq_T B$ ?

• Is nontrivial isolation from side and pseudoisolation equivalent? Note that c.e. degrees never can be nontrivially isolated from side or pseudoisolated.

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## Q2. Lowness and the CEA hierarchy

### Theorem (Arslanov, Batyrshin, Yamaleev)

There exists noncomputable low c.e. degree c such that any 2-c.e. degree, which is CEA(c), must be c.e.

#### Theorem (Soare, Stob, 1982)

Given noncomputable low c.e. degree  ${\bf c},$  there exists a non-c.e. degree  ${\bf d}$  which is  $CEA({\bf c})$ 

#### Question

Does the construction guarantee that the degree  $CEA(\mathbf{c})$  belongs the least possible level of the Ershov hierarchy?

#### Question

Given low, but non-superlow, c.e. degree c. Do there exists  $CEA(\mathbf{c})$  degree which is not of 2-c.e. degree?

# Q3\*. The Ershov hierarchy below the halting problem

#### Question

Given a c.e. degree c. When exactly it contains sets with from all proper levels of the Ershov hierarchy?

For example, superlow degrees can be only  $\omega$ -c.e. On the other hand, below any high c.e. set H one can construct a set of any proper level of the Ershov hierarchy.