

Instructions:

Do all six problems.¹

If you think that a problem has been stated incorrectly, mention this to the proctor and indicate your interpretation in your solution. In such cases, do not interpret the problem in such a way that it becomes trivial.

If you are unable to solve a problem completely, you may receive partial credit by weakening a conclusion or strengthening a hypothesis. In this case, include such information in your solution, so the graders know that you know that your solution is not complete.

If you want to ask a grader a question during the exam, write out your question on an $8\frac{1}{2}$ by 11 sheet of paper. Give it to the proctor. The proctor will contact one of the logic graders who will retrieve your written question, write a response, copy the sheet of paper, and return it to the proctor.

E1. Consider a countable family $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^\omega$. We say that $A \subseteq \omega \times \omega$ is a *listing* of \mathcal{F} if $\mathcal{F} = \{A^{[n]} : n \in \omega\}$, where $A^{[n]} = \{m : \langle n, m \rangle \in A\}$ is the n th column of A .

- (a) Construct a graph \mathcal{G} such that a Turing degree *enumerates* a listing of \mathcal{F} if and only if it computes a presentation of \mathcal{G} .
- (b) Construct a graph \mathcal{H} such that a Turing degree *computes* a listing of \mathcal{F} if and only if it computes a presentation of \mathcal{H} .

E2. Let \mathcal{L} be an uncountable language for first-order logic consisting only of function symbols. Let \mathfrak{A} be an uncountable structure for \mathcal{L} . If $X \subseteq A$, let $\text{cl}(X)$ be the closure of X under all the functions of the model. Call $S \subseteq A$ *nice* iff there is a countable $X \subseteq S$ such that $S \subseteq \text{cl}(X)$.

Assume that $S \subseteq A$ is not nice (so it is clearly uncountable). Prove that there is an uncountable $T \subseteq S$ so that no uncountable subset of T is nice.

E3. Let G be a computable Gödel numbering of all Σ_1 formulas in the language of PA, so every integer represents a Σ_1 -formula. Define the equivalence relation on ω given by $G(\phi) \sim G(\psi)$ if $\text{PA} \vdash \psi \leftrightarrow \phi$. We say that a c.e. equivalence relation is *precomplete* if it is non-trivial (i.e. there are two numbers which are not equivalent) and for any partial computable function f there is a total computable function g so that $f(n) \downarrow \Rightarrow f(n) \sim g(n)$. Show that \sim is a precomplete c.e. equivalence relation.

¹Note that this is different from exams up until two years ago.

Computability Theory

C1. Assume that a countable family $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^\omega$ contains all finite sets. Show that a Turing degree \mathbf{d} computes a listing of \mathcal{F} if and only if it computes a unique listing of \mathcal{F} , i.e., one in which each set in \mathcal{F} appears exactly once.

C2. We say that a c.e. equivalence relation E is universal if whenever R is any other c.e. equivalence relation, there is a total computable function $h : \omega \rightarrow \omega$ so that $nRm \Leftrightarrow h(n)Eh(m)$.

a) Show that there is a universal c.e. equivalence relation.

b) Show that the set of e so that W_e is a c.e. equivalence relations which is universal is a Σ_3^0 -complete set.

C3. Prove that for any $i \in \omega$ and any B such that $0' \leq_T B$, there exists A such that $A \oplus W_i^A \equiv_T A \oplus 0' \equiv_T B$.

Sketchy Answers or Hints

E1 ans. The graphs will be “daisy graphs”. The connected components of a daisy graph are “daisies”, which are graphs consisting of loops (the petals) that are disjoint except that they all share one point. Say that a daisy *codes* a set $B \subseteq \omega$ if it has exactly one loop of size $n + 3$ for each $n \in B$, and no other loops. Note that it is equally hard to enumerate B as it is to compute a presentation of the daisy that codes B . For (a), let \mathcal{G} be the daisy graph consisting of countably many daisies coding B for each $B \in \mathcal{F}$, and no other daisies. It is easy to see that a presentation of \mathcal{G} allows us to enumerate a listing of \mathcal{F} , and vice versa. For (b), note that it is equally hard to compute B as it is to compute a presentation of the daisy that codes $B \oplus \overline{B}$, where \overline{B} is the complement of B . So let \mathcal{H} be the daisy graph consisting of countably many daisies coding $B \oplus \overline{B}$ for each $B \in \mathcal{F}$, and no other daisies.

E2 ans. Choose $t_\xi \in S$ for $\xi < \omega_1$ such that $t_\xi \notin \text{cl}(\{t_\eta : \eta < \xi\})$. Then, let $T = \{t_\xi : \xi < \omega_1\}$.

E3 ans. Let $D(x, y)$ be a first-order formula defining the function which sends $G(\phi)$ to the (usual) Gödel code for $G^{-1}(f(G(\phi)))$. Then consider the function $g(n) = \exists m(G(D(n, m)) \wedge \text{Tr}_{\exists_1}(m))$. Check this works.

C1 ans. The result is folklore. The proof sketch below is taken from “Generic Muchnik reducibility and presentations of fields” by Downey, Greenberg, and Miller.

This is a finite injury construction. Let B list the sets in \mathcal{F} , possibly with repetitions. We compute a unique listing A of the same collection of sets. At any given stage in the construction of A , only finitely many values (of finite columns) of the listing will have been determined. Uniqueness will be a global requirement. In addition, we have requirements of the form

$$R_n: (\exists m) A^{[m]} = B^{[n]}.$$

To meet R_0 , we let $A^{[0]}$ copy $B^{[0]}$ and restrain lower priority strategies from affecting $A^{[0]}$. For $n > 0$, the strategy for R_n is initialized with a list

$A^{[0]}, \dots, A^{[r]}$ of columns of the listing A that are restrained by higher priority requirements. The strategy waits for a stage at which it sees that $B^{[n]}$ is different from how each of $A^{[0]}, \dots, A^{[r]}$ have been defined. Say that such a stage is found. The strategy for R_n acts as follows: Let m be large enough that $A^{[m]}$ is currently undefined on all values. The strategy declares that $A^{[m]}$ will copy $B^{[n]}$ (which will happen unless R_n is later injured). It restrains $A^{[0]}, \dots, A^{[m]}$ and reinitializes all lower priority requirements (ensuring that they will respect this restraint and injuring any that have already acted). Finally, the strategy declares each of $A^{[r+1]}, \dots, A^{[m-1]}$ to be distinct finite sets (hence in \mathcal{F}) different from each of $A^{[0]}, \dots, A^{[r]}$ and $A^{[m]}$.

C2 ans. Fix a computable enumeration $\{R_i\}_{i \in \omega}$ of all c.e. equivalence relations by making R_i the reflexive, symmetric, transitive closure of W_i .

a) E.g., define a universal c.e. equivalence relation $\langle i, x \rangle R \langle j, y \rangle$ by $i = j$ and $x R_i y$.

b) Let $I = \{x \mid R_x \text{ is universal}\}$. An easy calculation, using the fact that a ceer R is universal if and only if $E \leq R$, for a fixed universal ceer E , shows that $I \in \Sigma_3^0$, namely,

$$x \in I \Leftrightarrow (\exists e)[\phi_e \text{ is total and } \phi_e \text{ reduces } E \text{ to } R_x].$$

Next, we show that for every $S \in \Sigma_3^0$, we have $S \leq_m I$. Given S , fix a universal ceer E and a c.e. class $\{X_{\langle i, j \rangle} : i, j \in \omega\}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} i \in S &\Rightarrow (\exists j)[X_{\langle i, j \rangle} = \omega], \\ i \notin S &\Rightarrow (\forall j)[X_{\langle i, j \rangle} \text{ finite}], \end{aligned}$$

Uniformly in i , build a ceer R such that, denoting by $R^{[j]}$ the ceer

$$x R^{[j]} y \Leftrightarrow \langle j, x \rangle R \langle j, y \rangle,$$

we have that

$$\begin{aligned} i \in S &\Rightarrow (\exists j)[R^{[j]} = E], \\ i \notin S &\Rightarrow R \text{ yields a partition into finite sets.} \end{aligned}$$

This is enough to prove the claim, since a universal ceer has always (infinitely many) infinite equivalence classes; indeed, if E, T are ceers such that $E \leq T$

via a computable function f , and $[x]_E$ is an undecidable equivalence class, then so is $[h(x)]_T$, as $[x]_E = f^{-1}[[h(x)]_T]$.

Construction Let $\{E_s\}_{s \in \omega}$ be a computable approximation to E as a c.e. set, with each E_s finite, and consider a computable approximation $\{X_{\langle i, j \rangle, s}\}_{s \in \omega}$ to $\{X_{\langle i, j \rangle}\}_{i, j \in \omega}$ via finite sets: We say that $s + 1$ is $\langle i, j \rangle$ -*expansionary* if

$$X_{\langle i, j \rangle, s+1} - X_{\langle i, j \rangle, s} \neq \emptyset.$$

Stage by stage we define, uniformly in i , a finite set R^s so that, eventually, $R = \bigcup_s R^s$ is our desired ceer.

Stage 0 Let $R^0 = \emptyset$.

Stage $s + 1$ Let j be the least number $\leq s$, if any, such that $s + 1$ is $\langle i, j \rangle$ -expansionary. Then carry out the following, with the understanding that if there is no such j , then only item (1) applies:

1. For every $k \neq j$, $k \leq s$, and $x \leq s$, let $\langle \langle k, x \rangle, \langle k, x \rangle \rangle \in R^{s+1}$.
2. Let $\langle \langle j, x \rangle, \langle j, y \rangle \rangle \in R^{s+1}$ for every $\langle x, y \rangle \in E_s$.

It is straightforward to verify that if $i \notin S$ then every j has only finitely many $\langle i, j \rangle$ -expansionary stages, so the equivalence classes of R are finite, hence R is not universal. Otherwise, for the least j such that there are infinitely many $\langle i, j \rangle$ -expansionary stages, we have that $R^{[j]} = E$, hence $E \leq R$, i.e., R is universal.

C3 ans. Proceed as in the proof of the Friedberg Jump Inversion Theorem, but instead of forcing conditions of the form

$$(\exists \sigma \subset A)[\{e\}^\sigma(e) \downarrow \vee (\forall \tau \supseteq \sigma)[\{e\}^\tau(e) \uparrow]],$$

use conditions of the form

$$(\exists \sigma \subset A)[e \in W_i^\sigma \vee (\forall \tau \supseteq \sigma)[e \notin W_i^\tau]].$$