

Variations on Δ_1^1 Determinacy and \aleph_{ω_1}

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ABSTRACT. We consider a seemingly weaker form of Δ_1^1 Turing determinacy.

Let $2 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ is the statement:

Every Δ_1^1 set of reals cofinal in the Turing degrees contains two Turing distinct, Δ_ρ^0 -equivalent reals.

We show in ZF^- :

$\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ implies: for every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$ there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$.

As a corollary:

If every cofinal Δ_1^1 set of Turing degrees contains both a degree and its jump, then for every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$.

- With a simple proof, this improves upon a well-known result of Harvey Friedman on the strength of Borel determinacy (though not assessed level-by-level).
- Invoking Tony Martin's proof of Borel determinacy, $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ implies Δ_1^1 determinacy.
- We show further that, assuming Δ_1^1 Turing determinacy, or Borel Turing determinacy, as needed:
 - Every cofinal Σ_1^1 set of Turing degrees contains a “hyp-Turing cone”: $\{x \in \mathcal{D} \mid d_0 \leq_T x \leq_h d_0\}$.
 - For a sequence $(A_k)_{k < \omega}$ of analytic sets of Turing degrees, each cofinal in \mathcal{D} , $\bigcap_k A_k$ is cofinal in \mathcal{D} .

INTRODUCTION

A most important result in the study of infinite games is Harvey Friedman's [3], where it is shown that a proof of determinacy, for Borel games, would require \aleph_1 iterations of the power set operation — and this is precisely what Tony Martin used in his landmark proof [7].

Our focus here is on the Turing determinacy results of [3], concentrating instead on the theory ZF^- , rather than Zermelo's Z . In the Δ_1^1 realm, Friedman essentially shows that the determinacy of Turing closed Δ_1^1 games — henceforth, $\text{Turing-Det}(\Delta_1^1)$ — implies the consistency of the theories $\text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$, for all $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$. He does produce a level-by-level analysis entailing, e.g., that the determinacy of Turing closed Σ_{n+6}^0 games implies the consistency of $\text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_n \text{ exists}"$.^{1,2}

Importantly, it was further observed by Friedman (unpublished) that these results extend to produce transitive models, rather than just consistency statements. See Martin's forthcoming book [9] for details, see also Van Wesep's [13].

We forgo in this paper the level-by-level analysis to provide in §3 a simple proof of the existence of transitive models of ZF^- with uncountable cardinals, from $\text{Turing-Det}(\Delta_1^1)$. In so doing, we show that the full force of Turing determinacy isn't needed. The main result is Theorem 3.1, with a simply stated corollary. For context, by Martin's Lemma (see 1.2), $\text{Turing-Det}(\Delta_1^1)$ is equivalent to:

- *Every cofinal Δ_1^1 set of Turing degrees contains a cone of degrees, i.e., a set $\{x \in \mathcal{D} \mid d_0 \leq_T x\}$.*

Theorem (3.1). *Let $2 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, and assume every Δ_1^1 set of reals, cofinal in the Turing degrees, contains two Turing distinct, Δ_ρ^0 -equivalent reals. For every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$.*

Corollary (3.2). *If every cofinal Δ_1^1 set of Turing degrees contains both a degree and its jump, then for every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$.*

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¹ Improved by Martin to Σ_{n+5}^0 .

² In [10] Montalbán and Shore greatly refine the analysis of the proof-theoretic strength of $\text{Det}(\Gamma)$, where $\Pi_3^0 \subseteq \Gamma \subseteq \Delta_4^0$.

In §4 several results are derived, showing that $\text{Turing-Det}(\Delta_1^1)$ imparts weak determinacy properties to the class Σ_1^1 , such as [4.4]:

- Every cofinal Σ_1^1 set of degrees includes a set $\{x \in \mathcal{D} \mid d_0 \leq_T x \ \& \ x \leq_h d_0\}$, for some $d_0 \in \mathcal{D}$. Or, from Borel Turing determinacy, [4.3]:
- If $(A_k)_{k < \omega}$ is a sequence of cofinal analytic subsets of \mathcal{D} , then $\bigcap_k A_k$ is cofinal in \mathcal{D} .

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1. PRELIMINARIES AND NOTATION

The effective descriptive set theory we shall need, as well as basic hyperarithmetic theory, is from Moschovakis' [11], whose terminology and notation we follow. For the theory of admissible sets, we refer to Barwise's [1]. Standard facts about the \mathbb{L} -hierarchy are used without explicit mention: see Devlin's [2], or Van Wesep's [13].

$\mathcal{N} = \omega^\omega = \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ denotes Baire's space (the set of *reals*), and \mathcal{D} the set of Turing degrees. Subsets of \mathcal{D} shall be identified with the corresponding (Turing closed) sets of reals. \leq_T , \leq_h , and \equiv_T , \equiv_h shall denote, respectively, Turing and hyperarithmetic (i.e. Δ_1^1) reducibility, and equivalence.

1.1. The ambient theories. Our base theory is ZF^- , ZERMELO-FRAENKEL set theory stripped of the Power Set axiom.³ \mathcal{N} or \mathcal{D} may be proper classes in this context, yet speaking of their 'subsets' (Δ_1^1 , Σ_1^1 , Borel or analytic) can be handled as usual, as these sets are codable by integers, or reals. Amenities such as \aleph_1 or \mathbb{L}_{ω_1} aren't available but, since our results here are global (i.e., Δ_1^1) rather than local, the reader may use instead the more comfortable $\text{ZF}^- + \mathcal{P}^2(\omega) \text{ exists}$.

KP_∞ is the theory KRIPKE-PLATEK + INFINITY. Much of the argumentation below involves ω -models of KP_∞ — familiarity with their properties is assumed.

1.2. Turing determinacy. A set of reals $A \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ is said to be *Turing-cofinal* if, for every $x \in \mathcal{N}$, there is $y \in A$, such that $x \leq_T y$. A *Turing cone* is a set $\text{Cone}(c) = \{x \in \mathcal{N} \mid c \leq_T x\}$, where $c \in \mathcal{N}$. For a class of sets of reals Γ , $\text{Det}(\Gamma)$ is the statement that infinite games $G_\omega(A)$ where $A \in \Gamma$ are determined, whereas $\text{Turing-Det}(\Gamma)$ stands for the determinacy of games $G_\omega(A)$ restricted to Turing closed sets $A \in \Gamma$. Recall the following easy, yet central:

Martin's Lemma [6]. *For a Turing closed set $A \subseteq \mathcal{N}$, the infinite game $G_\omega(A)$ is determined iff A or its complement contains a Turing cone.* \square

1.3. Constructibility and condensation. For an ordinal $\lambda > 0$, and $X \subseteq \mathbb{L}_\lambda$, $H^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}(X)$ denotes the set of elements of \mathbb{L}_λ definable from parameters in X , and $\bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}(X)$ its transitive collapse. For $X = \emptyset$, one simply writes $H^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}$ and $\bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}$. Gödel's Condensation Lemma is the relevant tool here. Note that, since $\mathbb{L}_\lambda = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}(\lambda) = H^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}(\lambda)$, all elements of \mathbb{L}_λ are definable in \mathbb{L}_λ from ordinal parameters.

1.4. Reflection. The following reflection principle will be used a few times, to make for shorter proofs.⁴ A property $\Phi(X)$ of subsets $X \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ is said to be " Π_1^1 on Σ_1^1 " if, for any Σ_1^1 relation $U \subseteq \mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{N}$, the set $\{x \in \mathcal{N} \mid \Phi(U_x)\}$ is Π_1^1 .

A simple example: let $A \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ be Σ_1^1 , and set: $\Theta(X) \Leftrightarrow X \cap A = \emptyset$. $\Theta(X)$ is a Π_1^1 on Σ_1^1 property.

Theorem. *Let $\Phi(X)$ be a Π_1^1 on Σ_1^1 property. For any Σ_1^1 set $S \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ such that $\Phi(S)$ there is a Δ_1^1 set $D \supseteq S$ such that $\Phi(D)$.*

Proof. See Kechris' [5, §35] for a boldface version, easily transcribed to lightface. \square

³ All implicit uses of Choice herein are ZF^- -provable.

⁴ Longer ones can always be produced using Δ_1^1 selection + Σ_1^1 separation.

2. WEAK-TURING-DETERMINACY

Examining what's needed to derive the existence of transitive models from Turing determinacy hypotheses, it is possible to isolate a seemingly weaker statement. For $1 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, let $x \equiv_\rho y$ denote Δ_ρ^0 -equivalence on \mathcal{N} , that is: $x \in \Delta_\rho^0(y)$ & $y \in \Delta_\rho^0(x)$. \equiv_1 is just Turing equivalence.

2.1. Definition. For a class Γ , and $2 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, define $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Gamma)$:

Every Turing-cofinal set of reals $A \in \Gamma$ has two Turing distinct elements $x, y \in A$ such that $x \equiv_\rho y$.

For any recursive $\rho \geq 2$, $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ will suffice to derive the existence of transitive models of ZF^- with uncountable cardinals (clearly, larger values for ρ yield formally weaker sentences). The property lifts from Δ_1^1 to Σ_1^1 — note that it is, *a priori*, asymmetric.

2.2. Theorem. Let $2 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1) \Rightarrow \text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Sigma_1^1)$.

Proof. Assume $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$. Let $S \in \Sigma_1^1$ and suppose there are no Turing distinct $x, y \in S$ such that $x \equiv_\rho y$, that is

$$\forall x, y (x, y \in S \ \& \ x \equiv_\rho y \Rightarrow x \equiv_1 y).$$

This is a statement $\Phi(S)$, where $\Phi(X)$ is easily checked to be a Π_1^1 on Σ_1^1 property. Reflection yields a Δ_1^1 set $D \supseteq S$ such that $\Phi(D)$. By $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$, D is not Turing-cofinal; *a fortiori*, S isn't either. \square

2.3. Remark. One may be tempted to substitute for $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ a simpler hypothesis:

Every Turing-cofinal Δ_1^1 set of reals has Turing distinct elements x, y , such that $x \equiv_h y$.

It turns out to be too weak and, indeed, provable in Analysis. (Tony Martin, private communication: building on his paper [8], he shows that every uncountable Δ_1^1 set of reals contains two Turing distinct reals, in every hyperdegree \geq Kleene's O .)

The simpler, weaker, condition does suffice however when asserted about the class Σ_1^1 , see Theorem 3.13, below.

3. TRANSITIVE MODELS FROM WEAK-TURING-DETERMINACY

We now state the main result, and a simple special case. The proof is postponed toward the end of the present section.

3.1. Theorem. Let $2 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, and assume $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$. For every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$.

3.2. Corollary. If every cofinal Δ_1^1 set of Turing degrees contains both a degree and its jump, then for every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$. \square

• TERM MODELS.

Given a complete theory⁵ $U \supseteq \text{KP}_\infty + (\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{L})$, one constructs its term model. To be specific: owing to the presence of the axiom $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{L}$, to every formula $\psi(v)$ is associated $\bar{\psi}(v)$ such that $U \vdash \exists v \psi(v) \Leftrightarrow \exists! v \bar{\psi}(v)$, just take for $\bar{\psi}(v)$ the formula: $\psi(v) \wedge (\forall w <_{\mathbb{L}} v) \neg \psi(w)$.

Let now $(\varphi_n(v))_{n < \omega}$ be a recursive in U enumeration of the formulas $\varphi(v)$, in the single free variable v , having $U \vdash \exists! v \varphi(v)$. Using, as metalinguistic device, $(\iota v)\varphi(v)$ for "the unique v such that $\varphi(v)$ " set:

$$M_U = \{n \in \omega \mid \forall \ell < n, U \vdash (\iota v)\varphi_n \neq (\iota v)\varphi_\ell\},$$

and define on M_U the relation \in_U :

$$m \in_U n \Leftrightarrow U \vdash (\iota v)\varphi_m \in (\iota v)\varphi_n.$$

⁵ Complete theories are meant here to be *consistent*, and *deductively closed*.

(M_U, \in_U) is a prime model of U and, U being complete, $(M_U, \in_U) \leq_T U$. Using the canonical 1-1 enumeration $\omega \rightarrow M_U$, substitute ω for M_U and remap \in_U accordingly. The resulting model $\mathcal{M}_U = (\omega, \in^{\mathcal{M}_U})$ shall be called the *term model* of U . The function $U \mapsto \mathcal{M}_U$ is recursive.

Whenever \mathcal{M}_U is an ω -model, we say that $a \subseteq \omega$ is realized in \mathcal{M}_U if there is $\hat{a} \in \omega$ such that $a = \{k \in \omega \mid \mathbf{k}^{\mathcal{M}_U} \in^{\mathcal{M}_U} \hat{a}\}$. We state, for later reference, a couple of standard facts.

3.3. Proposition. *Let U be as above. If \mathcal{M}_U is an ω -model, and $a \subseteq \omega$ is realized in \mathcal{M}_U , then:*

- (1) *For all $x \leq_h a$, x is realized in \mathcal{M}_U .*
- (2) *$a \leq_T U$.*
- (3) *Thus U is not realized in \mathcal{M}_U , lest its Turing jump U' be realized in \mathcal{M}_U , causing $U' \leq_T U$. \square*

Note that if $U = \text{Th}(\mathbb{L}_\alpha)$, where α is admissible, then \mathcal{M}_U is a copy of $H^{\mathbb{L}_\alpha}$. Hence $\mathcal{M}_U \cong \mathbb{L}_\beta$, for some $\beta \leq \alpha$. The following easy proposition is quite familiar.

3.4. Proposition. *Assume $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{L}$. For cofinally many countable admissible α 's, $\mathbb{L}_\alpha = H^{\mathbb{L}_\alpha}$, equivalently: $\mathcal{M}_{\text{Th}(\mathbb{L}_\alpha)} \cong \mathbb{L}_\alpha$.*

Proof. Suppose not. Let λ be the sup of the admissible α 's having $\mathbb{L}_\alpha = H^{\mathbb{L}_\alpha}$, and let $\kappa > \lambda$ be the first admissible such that λ is countable in \mathbb{L}_κ . Since λ is definable and countable in \mathbb{L}_κ , $\lambda \cup \{\lambda\} \subseteq H^{\mathbb{L}_\kappa}$. It follows readily that $\mathbb{L}_\kappa = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\kappa} = H^{\mathbb{L}_\kappa}$, a contradiction. \square

• CARDINALITY IN THE CONSTRUCTIBLE LEVELS.

Set theory within the confines of \mathbb{L}_λ , λ an arbitrary limit ordinal, imposes some contortions. For technical convenience, the notion of cardinal needs to be slightly twisted—for a time only.

3.5. Definition. (1) For an ordinal α , $\text{Card}^*(\alpha) = \min_{\xi \leq \alpha} (\text{there is a surjection } \xi \rightarrow \alpha)$.

(2) α is a cardinal* if $\alpha = \text{Card}^*(\alpha)$.

(3) $\text{Card}_\lambda^* \subseteq \mathbb{L}_\lambda$ is the class of infinite cardinal*'s as computed in \mathbb{L}_λ .

3.6. Note that, for λ limit, from a surjection $g: \gamma \rightarrow \alpha$ in \mathbb{L}_λ , one can extract $a \subseteq \gamma$ and $\triangleleft \subseteq a \times a$ such that $g \upharpoonright a: (a, \triangleleft) \cong (\alpha, \in)$, and both (a, \triangleleft) , $g \upharpoonright a$ are in \mathbb{L}_λ . Further, if λ is admissible, in \mathbb{L}_λ the altered notion of cardinality and the standard one coincide.

3.7. Convention. For simplicity's sake, the assertion " \aleph_ν exists in \mathbb{L}_λ " should be understood as:

There is an isomorphism $\nu + 1 \cong J$, where J is an initial segment of Card_λ^ .*

Note that its negation is equivalent in KP_∞ to: *There is $\kappa \leq \nu$ such that $\text{Card}_\lambda^* \cong \kappa$.* The notation $\aleph_\nu^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}$ carries here the obvious meaning.

We shall need the following result, readily proved using the Jensen fine structure techniques of [4]. A direct proof is provided in the Appendix.

3.8. Proposition. *For λ a limit ordinal, if $\mathbb{L}_\lambda \models \mu > \omega$ is a successor cardinal*" then $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \text{ZF}^-$.*

• THE THEORIES T_ν .

Let \mathcal{M} be an ω -model of KP_∞ . The wellfounded part of $\text{On}^{\mathcal{M}}$ 'includes' ω_1^{CK} . For $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, pick e_ν a recursive index for a wellordering $<_{e_\nu}$ of a subset of ω , of length ν . Using e_ν , statements about ν can tentatively be expressed in KP_∞ . In \mathcal{M} , the truth of such statements is independent of the choice of e_ν . Indeed, $<_{e_\nu}$ is realized in \mathcal{M} , and its realization is isomorphic in \mathcal{M} to the \mathcal{M} -ordinal of order-type ν , to be denoted $\nu^{\mathcal{M}}$. For a formula $\varphi(\nu, \dots)$, we write $\mathcal{M} \models \varphi(\underline{\nu}, \dots)$, instead of a 'translated' $\mathcal{M} \models \bar{\varphi}(e_\nu, \dots)$.

3.9. Definition. For $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, T_ν is the theory

$$\text{KP}_\infty + (\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{L}) + \text{"for all limit } \lambda, \aleph_{\nu+1} \text{ doesn't exist in } \mathbb{L}_\lambda\text{"}.$$

This definition is clearly lacking: a recursive index e_ν coding the ordinal ν is not made explicit. This is immaterial, as we shall be interested only in ω -models of T_ν . They possess the following rigidity property.

3.10. Lemma. *Let $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, and $\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2$ be ω -models of T_ν . Let $u \in \text{On}^{\mathcal{M}_1}$, and $w, w_* \in \text{On}^{\mathcal{M}_2}$, for any two isomorphisms $f: \mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1} \cong \mathbb{L}_w^{\mathcal{M}_2}$ and $f_*: \mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1} \cong \mathbb{L}_{w_*}^{\mathcal{M}_2}$, $f = f_*$.*

Proof. By an easy reduction, it suffices to prove this for u , a limit \mathcal{M}_1 -ordinal.

Let $<_1$ denote the ordering of $\text{On}^{\mathcal{M}_1}$ in \mathcal{M}_1 , and set $C_u = \{c <_1 u \mid \mathcal{M}_1 \models c \in \text{Card}_u^*\}$. The relevant claim here is that $(C_u, <_1)$ is wellordered. Indeed, since $\mathcal{M}_1 \models T_\nu$,

$$\mathcal{M}_1 \models \text{"}\aleph_{\nu+1} \text{ doesn't exist in } \mathbb{L}_u\text{"}.$$

Hence, as observed in 3.7, there is $o \in \text{On}^{\mathcal{M}_1}$ with

$$\mathcal{M}_1 \models o \leq \nu + 1 \ \& \ \text{Card}_u^* \cong o.$$

The isomorphism in \mathcal{M}_1 induces an actual $<_1$ -isomorphism: $C_u \cong \{x \mid x <_1 o\}$. Since \mathcal{M}_1 is an ω -model, $\nu^{\mathcal{M}_1}$ and o are in its wellfounded part, thus the claim.

First, one checks that f and f_* agree on the \mathcal{M}_1 -ordinals $o <_1 u$, using induction on C_u . Clearly, for $o \leq_1 \omega^{\mathcal{M}_1}$, $f(o) = f_*(o)$. Set $\kappa_u(o) = \text{Card}^*(o)$, as evaluated in $\mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1}$, and show by induction on $c \in C_u$:

$$\text{for all } o <_1 u, \ \kappa_u(o) = c \implies f(o) = f_*(o).$$

Assume the inductive hypothesis for $c' <_1 c$. Whenever $o <_1 c$, $\kappa_u(o) < c$, hence $f(o) = f_*(o)$. It follows easily that $f(c) = f_*(c)$. Let now $o <_1 u$ have $\kappa_u(o) = c$. Inside $\mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1}$, (o, \in) is isomorphic to an ordering ' $s = (a, \triangleleft)$ ', where $a \subseteq c$ and $\triangleleft \subseteq c \times c$, (see 3.6). Since f and f_* agree on the \mathcal{M}_1 -ordinals up to c , one readily checks $f(s) = f_*(s)$. In \mathcal{M}_2 now, the common value $f(s)$ is isomorphic to both the ordinals $f(o)$ and $f_*(o)$, hence $f(o) = f_*(o)$.

This entails $w = w_*$ and $\mathbb{L}_w^{\mathcal{M}_2} = \mathbb{L}_{w_*}^{\mathcal{M}_2}$. Now, any $x \in \mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1}$ is definable in $\mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1}$ from \mathcal{M}_1 -ordinals (see 1.3), thus $f(x)$ and $f_*(x)$ satisfy in $\mathbb{L}_w^{\mathcal{M}_2}$ the same definition from equal parameters, hence $f(x) = f_*(x)$. \square

- PSEUDO-WELLFOUNDED MODELS.

A relation $\triangleleft \subseteq \omega \times \omega$ is said to be *pseudo-wellfounded* if every nonempty $\Delta_1^1(\triangleleft)$ subset of ω has a \triangleleft -minimal element. By the standard computation, this is a Σ_1^1 property.⁶ Indeed, we may define it, for $E \subseteq \omega \times \omega$, as:

$$\text{pseudo-WF}(E) \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} (\forall X \leq_h E)(X \neq \emptyset \implies (\exists k \in X)(\forall m \in X) \neg (m E k)).$$

3.11. Definition. For $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, \mathcal{S}_ν is the set of theories:

$$\mathcal{S}_\nu = \{U \mid U \text{ is a complete extension of } T_\nu, \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_U \text{ is pseudo-wellfounded}\}.$$

Easily, \mathcal{S}_ν is Σ_1^1 . Indeed, the first clause in its definition is arithmetical, while the second reads "pseudo-WF($\in^{\mathcal{M}_U}$)", where the function $U \mapsto \in^{\mathcal{M}_U}$ is recursive.

Note further: for $U \in \mathcal{S}_\nu$, \mathcal{M}_U is an ω -model. The sets \mathcal{S}_ν play a central role in the proof. They are sparse, in the following sense.

3.12. Proposition. *For $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, no two distinct members of \mathcal{S}_ν have the same hyperdegree.*

Proof. Let $U_1, U_2 \in \mathcal{S}_\nu$ have $U_1 \equiv_h U_2$, and let $\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2$ stand for $\mathcal{M}_{U_1}, \mathcal{M}_{U_2}$. We'll obtain $U_1 = U_2$ by showing $\mathcal{M}_1 \cong \mathcal{M}_2$. Define a relation between 'ordinals' $u \in \mathcal{M}_1$ and $w \in \mathcal{M}_2$:

$$u \simeq w \iff \exists f(f: \mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1} \cong \mathbb{L}_w^{\mathcal{M}_2}).$$

Set $\mathbb{I}_1 = \text{Dom}(\simeq)$, and $\mathbb{I}_2 = \text{Im}(\simeq)$. \mathbb{I}_1 and \mathbb{I}_2 are initial segments of $\text{On}^{\mathcal{M}_1}$ and $\text{On}^{\mathcal{M}_2}$, respectively. Using Lemma 3.10, the relation " $u \simeq w$ " defines a bijection $\mathbb{I}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{I}_2$ which is, indeed, the restriction of an isomorphism:

$$F: \bigcup_{u \in \mathbb{I}_1} \mathbb{L}_u^{\mathcal{M}_1} \cong \bigcup_{w \in \mathbb{I}_2} \mathbb{L}_w^{\mathcal{M}_2}.$$

⁶ We shall use, in complexity computations, the classic result of Kleene: *Given a Σ_1^1 predicate $S(x, y, -)$, the predicate $(\forall y \leq_h x) S(x, y, -)$ is Σ_1^1 , and dually for Π_1^1 .* See [11, §4D.3] for a more general result.

Note that, by the same lemma,

$$u \simeq w \iff \exists! f (f: \mathbb{L}_u^{M_1} \simeq \mathbb{L}_w^{M_2}).$$

The RHS here reads: $\exists! f \mathcal{I}(f, U_1, u, U_2, w)$, where \mathcal{I} is a Δ_1^1 predicate, hence:

$$u \simeq w \iff \exists f \leq_h U_1 \oplus U_2 (f: \mathbb{L}_u^{M_1} \simeq \mathbb{L}_w^{M_2}).$$

By the standard computation, the relation " $u \simeq w$ " is $\Delta_1^1(U_1 \oplus U_2)$ [= $\Delta_1^1(U_1) = \Delta_1^1(U_2)$]. Consequently, \mathbb{I}_1 and \mathbb{I}_2 are also $\Delta_1^1(U_1)$ [= $\Delta_1^1(U_2)$]. $\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2$ being pseudo-wellfounded, $\mathbb{O}n^{M_1} - \mathbb{I}_1$ and $\mathbb{O}n^{M_2} - \mathbb{I}_2$ each, if nonempty, has a minimum. Denote m_1, m_2 the respective potential minima, and consider the cases:

- $\mathbb{O}n^{M_1} - \mathbb{I}_1$ and $\mathbb{O}n^{M_2} - \mathbb{I}_2$ are both nonempty. This isn't possible, as F would be the isomorphism $F: \mathbb{L}_{m_1}^{M_1} \simeq \mathbb{L}_{m_2}^{M_2}$, entailing $m_1 \in \mathbb{I}_1$ and $m_2 \in \mathbb{I}_2$.
- $\mathbb{I}_1 = \mathbb{O}n^{M_1}$ and $\mathbb{O}n^{M_2} - \mathbb{I}_2 \neq \emptyset$. Here $\mathcal{M}_1 = \bigcup_{u \in \mathbb{I}_1} \mathbb{L}_u^{M_1}$, and thus $F: \mathcal{M}_1 \simeq \mathbb{L}_{m_2}^{M_2}$. U_1 is now the theory of $\mathbb{L}_{m_2}^{M_2}$, hence it is realized in \mathcal{M}_2 . Since $U_2 \equiv_h U_1$, by Prop. 3.3(1), U_2 is also realized in \mathcal{M}_2 (that's \mathcal{M}_{U_2}). This contradicts (3) of the same proposition.
- The third case, symmetric of the previous one, is equally impossible.
- The remaining case: $\mathbb{I}_1 = \mathbb{O}n^{M_1}$ and $\mathbb{I}_2 = \mathbb{O}n^{M_2}$. Here $\mathcal{M}_1 = \bigcup_{u \in \mathbb{I}_1} \mathbb{L}_u^{M_1}$ and $\mathcal{M}_2 = \bigcup_{w \in \mathbb{I}_2} \mathbb{L}_w^{M_2}$, thus $F: \mathcal{M}_1 \simeq \mathcal{M}_2$ is the desired isomorphism. \square

Proof of Theorem 3.1. Our hypothesis is $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$, and we may work entirely in \mathbb{L} .

Fix any $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, towards a transitive model of $\text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$.

CLAIM. There is a limit ordinal λ , such that: $\aleph_{\nu+1}$ exists in \mathbb{L}_λ .

Suppose no such λ exists. It follows that for all admissible $\alpha > \omega$, $\mathbb{L}_\alpha \models T_\nu$. This entails that \mathcal{S}_ν is Turing-cofinal: indeed, since $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{L}$, using Prop. 3.4, given $x \subseteq \omega$ there is an $\alpha > \omega$, admissible, such that $x \in \mathbb{L}_\alpha$ and $\mathcal{M}_{\text{Th}(\mathbb{L}_\alpha)} \cong \mathbb{L}_\alpha$. Thus $x \leq_T \text{Th}(\mathbb{L}_\alpha)$ and, $\mathcal{M}_{\text{Th}(\mathbb{L}_\alpha)}$ being wellfounded, $\text{Th}(\mathbb{L}_\alpha) \in \mathcal{S}_\nu$.

Invoking now $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ and Theorem 2.2, $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Sigma_1^1)$ holds. Hence, there are distinct $U_1, U_2 \in \mathcal{S}_\nu$ such that $U_1 \equiv_\rho U_2$, contradicting the previous proposition. \square_{CLAIM}

Let now λ be as claimed, and set $\mu = \aleph_{\nu+1}^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}$. In \mathbb{L}_λ , μ is a successor cardinal* hence, by Prop. 3.8, $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \text{ZF}^-$. Further, for $\xi \leq \nu$, $\aleph_\xi^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda} < \mu$ and $\aleph_\xi^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}$ is an \mathbb{L}_μ -cardinal (now in the usual sense), hence $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$. \square

Note the following byproduct of the previous proposition, and the proof just given (substituting $U_1 \equiv_h U_2$ for $U_1 \equiv_\rho U_2$, in the proof) — in contradistinction to Remark 2.3.

3.13. Theorem. Assume every Turing-cofinal Σ_1^1 set of reals has two Turing distinct elements x, y , such that $x \equiv_h y$. For every $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, there is a transitive model: $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$. \square

An easy consequence of the main result: $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ implies full Δ_1^1 determinacy. The proof proceeds via Martin's Borel determinacy theorem: no direct argument is known for this sort of implication — apparently first observed by Friedman for $\text{Turing-Det}(\Delta_1^1)$.

3.14. Theorem. For $2 \leq \rho < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$, $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$ implies $\text{Det}(\Delta_1^1)$.

Proof. Assume $\text{Weak-Turing-Det}_\rho(\Delta_1^1)$. Let $A \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ be Δ_1^1 , say $A \in \Sigma_\nu^0$ where $\nu < \omega_1^{\text{CK}}$. Applying Theorem 3.1, there is a transitive $M \models \text{ZF}^- + "\aleph_\nu \text{ exists}"$. Invoking (non-optimally) Martin's main result from [8] inside M , Σ_ν^0 games are determined. The statement "*the game $G_\omega(A)$ is determined*" is Σ_2^1 . By Mostowski's absoluteness theorem, being true in M , it holds in the universe: $G_\omega(A)$ is indeed determined. \square

4. Δ_1^1 DETERMINACY AND PROPERTIES OF Σ_1^1 SETS

We proceed now to show that Δ_1^1 determinacy imparts weak determinacy properties to the class Σ_1^1 . In view of Theorem 3.14, there is no point, here, in working from weaker hypotheses.

4.1. Definition. The hyp-Turing cone with vertex $d \in \mathcal{D}$ is the set of degrees

$$\text{Cone}_h(d) = \text{Cone}(d) \cap \Delta_1^1(d) = \{x \in \mathcal{D} \mid d \leq_T x \text{ \& } x \leq_h d\}.$$

Hyp-Turing-Det(Γ) is the statement: *Every cofinal set of degrees $A \in \Gamma$ contains a hyp-Turing cone.*

4.2. Theorem. Assume Turing-Det(Δ_1^1). If $(S_k)_{k < \omega}$ is a Σ_1^1 sequence of Turing-cofinal sets of degrees, then $\bigcap_k S_k \neq \emptyset$ — and, indeed, $\bigcap_k S_k$ contains a hyp-Turing cone.

Proof. Let the S_k 's be given as the sections of a Σ_1^1 relation $S \subseteq \omega \times \mathcal{N}$, and assume $\bigcap_k S_k$ contains no hyp-Turing cone: $\forall x \in \mathcal{N} (\text{Cone}_h(x) \not\subseteq \bigcap_k S_k)$, i.e.,

$$\forall x \in \mathcal{N} \exists y \leq_h x (x \leq_T y \text{ \& } y \notin \bigcap_k S_k).$$

This is a statement $\Phi(S)$, where $\Phi(X)$ is a Π_1^1 on Σ_1^1 property of subsets $X \subseteq \omega \times \mathcal{N}$. Reflection yields a Δ_1^1 relation $D \supseteq S$ such that $\Phi(D)$. Shrink D , if need be, to ensure that its sections D_k are Turing closed, preserving $\Phi(D)$ and $D \supseteq S$. Now, $D_k \supseteq S_k$ and $\bigcap_k D_k$ contains no hyp-Turing cone. A contradiction ensues using Turing-Det(Δ_1^1) + Martin's Lemma: each D_k , being cofinal in \mathcal{D} , contains a Turing cone hence, easily, so does $\bigcap_k D_k$. \square

The converse is immediate. Indeed, if Turing-Det(Δ_1^1) fails, by Martin's Lemma there is a Δ_1^1 set $A \subseteq \mathcal{D}$, such that both A and $\sim A$ are cofinal in \mathcal{D} , and the Δ_1^1 'sequence' $\langle A, \sim A \rangle$ has empty intersection. Relativizing 4.2, one readily gets:

4.3. Corollary. Assume Borel Turing determinacy. If $(A_k)_{k < \omega}$ is a sequence of cofinal analytic sets of Turing degrees, then $\bigcap_k A_k$ is cofinal in \mathcal{D} . \square

An interesting special case of 4.2, where the 'sequence' $(S_k)_{k < 1}$ is a single Σ_1^1 term.

4.4. Theorem. Turing-Det(Δ_1^1) implies Hyp-Turing-Det(Σ_1^1). \square

In view of Theorem 3.14, the implication is an equivalence. A similar result obtains for full determinacy, as well:

4.5. Definition. For a game $G_\omega(A)$, a strategy σ for Player I is called a hyp-winning strategy if $\forall \tau \leq_h \sigma (\sigma * \tau \in A)$, i.e., applying σ , Player I wins against any $\Delta_1^1(\sigma)$ sequence of moves by Player II.

4.6. Theorem. Assume Det(Δ_1^1). For $S \in \Sigma_1^1$, one of the following holds for $G_\omega(S)$,

- (1) Player I has a hyp-winning strategy.
- (2) Player II has a winning strategy.

Proof. Say $S \in \Sigma_1^1$, and Player I has no hyp-winning strategy for $G_\omega(S)$: $\forall \sigma \exists \tau \leq_h \sigma (\sigma * \tau \notin S)$. Much as in the proof of 4.2, Reflection yields a Δ_1^1 set $D \supseteq S$ such that Player I has no hyp-winning strategy for $G_\omega(D)$, hence no winning strategy. Invoking Det(Δ_1^1), Player II has a winning strategy for $G_\omega(D)$ which is, *a fortiori*, winning for $G_\omega(S)$. \square

5. APPENDIX

The point of the present section is to sketch a proof of Proposition 3.8, without dissecting the \mathbb{L} construction — albeit with a recourse to admissible sets. Finer results most certainly hold.

\mathcal{F} is the set of formulas, $\mathcal{F} \in \mathbb{L}_{\omega+1}$, and $\models_{\mathbb{L}_\alpha}$ is the satisfaction relation for \mathbb{L}_α ,

$$\models_{\mathbb{L}_\alpha}(\varphi, \vec{s}) \Leftrightarrow \varphi \in \mathcal{F} \text{ \& } \vec{s} \in \mathbb{L}_\alpha^{<\omega} \text{ \& } \mathbb{L}_\alpha \models \varphi[\vec{s}].$$

Apart from the classic Condensation Lemma (see 1.3), we shall need the following familiar result:

(*) For any limit $\lambda > \omega$, and $\beta < \lambda$, $\models_{\mathbb{L}_\beta} \in \mathbb{L}_\lambda$. See [13, §7.1].

5.1. Notation. Let $X \gg^l Y$ abbreviate $\exists f \in \mathbb{L}_\lambda (f: X \rightarrow Y)$, where ‘ \rightarrow ’ stands for surjective map.

Recall: Here, “ μ is an \mathbb{L}_λ -cardinal*” means: “for no $\xi < \mu$, does $\xi \gg^l \mu$ ” (see 3.5).

5.2. Lemma. Let $\lambda > \omega$ be limit. For $0 < \alpha \leq \gamma < \lambda$, if $\mathbb{L}_\beta = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\gamma}(\alpha)$, then $\alpha^{<\omega} \gg^l \beta$.

Proof. Observe that $\mathbb{L}_\beta = H^{\mathbb{L}_\beta}(\alpha)$, and $\beta < \lambda$. In \mathbb{L}_β , every $\xi < \beta$ is the unique solution of some formula $\varphi(v, \vec{\eta})$, where $\vec{\eta} \in \alpha^{<\omega}$. Thus, using $\models_{\mathbb{L}_\beta} \in \mathbb{L}_\lambda$, per (*) above, one readily derives $\mathcal{F} \times \alpha^{<\omega} \gg^l \beta$. Using an injection $\mathcal{F} \times \alpha^{<\omega} \rightarrow \alpha^{<\omega}$ in \mathbb{L}_λ , one gets $\alpha^{<\omega} \gg^l \beta$. \square

5.3. Proposition. Let $\lambda > \omega$ be a limit ordinal, and $\omega < \mu < \lambda$, an \mathbb{L}_λ -cardinal*.

- (1) For $0 < \alpha < \mu \leq \gamma < \lambda$, and $\mathbb{L}_\beta = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\gamma}(\alpha)$: $\beta < \mu$ (this is a \downarrow -Löwenheim-Skolem property).
- (2) μ is admissible.

Proof. We check (1) and (2) simultaneously, by induction on μ .

(1) Set $\bar{\mu} = \min_{\eta \leq \mu} (\eta^{<\omega} \gg^l \mu)$. Note that, for $\eta < \bar{\mu}$, $(\eta \gg^l \bar{\mu} \Rightarrow \eta^{<\omega} \gg^l \bar{\mu}^{<\omega} \gg^l \mu)$, it follows that $\bar{\mu}$ is an \mathbb{L}_λ -cardinal*, and clearly $\omega < \bar{\mu} \leq \mu$.

We claim that $\bar{\mu} = \mu$. If $\mu = \aleph_1^{\mathbb{L}_\lambda}$, then $\bar{\mu} = \mu$. Else, if $\bar{\mu} < \mu$ then, by induction, $\bar{\mu}$ is admissible, yielding an $\mathbb{L}_{\bar{\mu}}$ -definable map $\bar{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\mu}^{<\omega}$. Whence $\bar{\mu} \gg^l \bar{\mu}^{<\omega} \gg^l \mu$, and thus $\bar{\mu} \gg^l \mu$, contradicting “ μ is an \mathbb{L}_λ -cardinal*”.

Now, given $0 < \alpha < \mu \leq \gamma < \lambda$, and $\mathbb{L}_\beta = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\gamma}(\alpha)$, the previous lemma yields $\alpha^{<\omega} \gg^l \beta$. Hence, since $\alpha < \bar{\mu} = \mu$, $\beta < \mu$.

(2) To show that μ is admissible, only Δ_0 COLLECTION needs checking.

Say $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \forall x \in \mathbf{a} \exists y \varphi(x, y, \vec{p})$, where φ is Δ_0 , and $a, \vec{p} \in \mathbb{L}_\mu$. Pick $\alpha < \mu$ with $a, \vec{p} \in \mathbb{L}_\alpha$ and set $\mathbb{L}_\beta = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\mu}(\alpha)$: $\mathbb{L}_\beta \models \forall x \in \mathbf{a} \exists y \varphi(x, y, \vec{p})$. Applying (1), $\beta < \mu$, thus $b \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{L}_\beta \in \mathbb{L}_\mu$. By Δ_0 absoluteness, $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \forall x \in \mathbf{a} \exists y \in \mathbf{b} \varphi(x, y, \vec{p})$. \square

3.8. Proposition. For λ limit, $\mathbb{L}_\lambda \models “\mu > \omega$ is a successor cardinal*” $\Rightarrow \mathbb{L}_\mu \models \text{ZF}^-$.

Proof. Set π = the cardinal* preceding μ in \mathbb{L}_λ . We argue that π is the largest cardinal* in \mathbb{L}_μ . Indeed, for $\pi \leq \eta < \mu$, pick $\gamma < \lambda$ such that $\exists f \in \mathbb{L}_\gamma (f: \pi \rightarrow \eta)$, and set $\mathbb{L}_\beta = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\gamma}(\eta + 1)$. We get $\exists f \in \mathbb{L}_\beta (f: \pi \rightarrow \eta)$ and, invoking 5.3(1), $\beta < \mu$. Hence $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \exists f (f: \pi \rightarrow \eta)$.

Next: μ is regular in \mathbb{L}_λ . The usual ZFC proof for the regularity of infinite successors goes through here: for each nonzero $\eta < \mu$, using $<_{\mathbb{L}_\mu}$, select $f_\eta \in \mathbb{L}_\mu$, $f_\eta: \pi \rightarrow \eta$, and note that the sequence $(f_\eta)_{0 < \eta < \mu}$ is in $\mathbb{L}_{\mu+1} \subseteq \mathbb{L}_\lambda$, etc.

Finally, to show $\mathbb{L}_\mu \models \text{ZF}^-$: since by 5.3(2) μ is admissible, using the standard definable bijection $\mu \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_\mu$, it suffices to verify REPLACEMENT for class-functions $\mu \rightarrow \mu$ in \mathbb{L}_μ .

Let therefore $F: \mu \rightarrow \mu$ be \mathbb{L}_μ -definable, from parameters \vec{p} . Given a set of ordinals $S \in \mathbb{L}_\mu$, S is bounded in μ . By regularity of μ in \mathbb{L}_λ , $F[S]$ is bounded as well. Pick $\alpha < \mu$, with $F[S] \subseteq \alpha$ and $S, \vec{p} \in \mathbb{L}_\alpha$: $F[S]$ is definable over \mathbb{L}_μ from $S, \vec{p} \in \mathbb{L}_\alpha$, and $\mathbb{L}_\alpha \subseteq H^{\mathbb{L}_\mu}(\alpha) < \mathbb{L}_\mu$. Set $\mathbb{L}_\beta = \bar{H}^{\mathbb{L}_\mu}(\alpha)$, applying 5.3(1), $\beta < \mu$, and thus $F[S] \in \mathbb{L}_{\beta+1} \subseteq \mathbb{L}_\mu$. \square

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