

Chapter XII

Initial Segments of $\mathcal{D}[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}']$

Having embedded minimal degrees below $\mathbf{0}'$, it is natural to try to embed other uppersemilattices as initial segments of $\mathcal{D}[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}']$. We prove such embedding theorems in this chapter. In the first four sections, we present a detailed proof of the embeddability of an arbitrary finite lattice as an initial segment of $\mathcal{D}[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}']$. Extensions of this result to other usls or to embeddings below degrees other than $\mathbf{0}'$ are discussed in Sec. 5. These results are applied to prove theorems about \mathcal{D} and $\mathcal{D}[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}']$.

1. Weakly Uniform Trees

Let \mathcal{L} be a fixed finite lattice, with elements $0 = u_0, u_1, \dots, u_n = 1$. Fix a weakly homogeneous sequential table Θ for \mathcal{L} as in Appendix B.2. Θ is then the union of an increasing sequence $\Theta_0 \subseteq \Theta_1 \subseteq \dots$ of finite sets of $n + 1$ -tuples. Θ gives rise to a recursive function f defined by $f(k) = |\Theta_k|$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and hence to the set of strings $\mathcal{S}_f = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{S} : \forall i \in \mathbb{N} (\sigma(i) < f(i))\}$.

It is tempting to try to embed \mathcal{L} as an initial segment of $\mathcal{D}[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}']$ by combining the proofs of Theorems VII.4.1 and IX.2.1, and so, to use partial uniform trees to construct the desired initial segment. There are severe problems, however, in carrying out such a program. For suppose that an attempt is being made to construct a uniform (binary) e -splitting partial subtree of Id_2 . Let us suppose that $T(\emptyset)$, $T(0)$ and $T(1)$ have been defined. The partial trees of Chap. IX now require

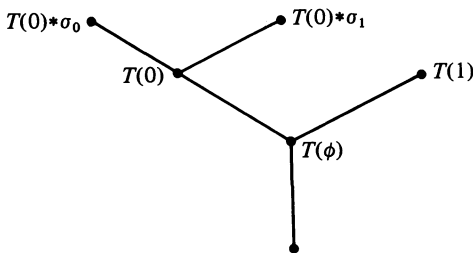


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