

- ANDREY MOROZOV, JAMALBEK TUSSUPOV, *On minimal elements in the  $\Delta$ -reducibility on families of predicates.*

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Fix some countable set  $U$ . By *predicate* here we mean an arbitrary subset of an arbitrary finite Cartesian power of  $U$ . We study two kinds of reducibilities on finite families of predicates.

We say that a predicate  $R$  is  $\Delta$ -definable over the predicates  $P_1, \dots, P_k$  if  $R$  itself and its complement can be defined in the structure  $\langle U; P_1, \dots, P_k \rangle$  by means of  $\exists$ -formulas with parameters.

Let  $S_0 = \{P_0, \dots, P_{k-1}\}$  and  $S_1$  be two finite families of predicates. We say that  $S_0$  is  $\Delta$ -definable in  $S_1$ , if all the predicates in  $S_0$  are  $\Delta$ -definable in  $S_1$  and we denote this fact as  $S_0 \leq_{\Delta}^0 S_1$ . If  $S_0 \leq_{\Delta}^0 S_1$  and  $S_1 \leq_{\Delta}^0 S_0$  then we denote this fact as  $S_0 \equiv_{\Delta}^0 S_1$ . The relation  $\leq_{\Delta}^0$  is a preordering,  $\equiv_{\Delta}^0$  is an equivalence and the quotient  $\leq_{\Delta}^0 / \equiv_{\Delta}^0$  defines an upper semilattice in which the least upper bound of elements  $S_0 / \equiv_{\Delta}^0$  and  $S_1 / \equiv_{\Delta}^0$  equals to  $(S_0 \cup S_1) / \equiv_{\Delta}^0$  and  $\perp_{\Delta}^0 = \emptyset / \equiv_{\Delta}^0$  is the smallest element. Denote this semilattice by  $D_{\Delta}^0$ .

If we consider families of predicates up to isomorphism, we arrive at the notion of  $\Delta$ -reducibility on families of predicates. We say that a finite family of predicates  $S_0$   $\Delta$ -reduces to a finite family  $S_1$  (and denote this as  $S_0 \leq_{\Delta} S_1$ ), if there exists a finite family of predicates  $S'$  such that  $S'_0 \leq_{\Delta}^0 S_1$  and  $S'_0$  is a conjugate of  $S_0$  by means of some permutation on  $U$ .

If  $S_0 \leq_{\Delta} S_1$  and  $S_1 \leq_{\Delta} S_0$  then we denote this fact as  $S_0 \equiv_{\Delta} S_1$ . The quotient  $\leq_{\Delta} / \equiv_{\Delta}$  defines a structure  $D_{\Delta}$ , which is a partial order with smallest element  $\perp_{\Delta} = \emptyset / \equiv_{\Delta}$ .

**Theorem 1**

1. The structure  $D_{\Delta}$  fails to be an upper semilattice.
2. The families consisting of unary predicates define in  $D_{\Delta}$  an ideal of order type  $\omega$ .

**Theorem 2** Each of the structures  $D_{\Delta}^0 \setminus \{\perp_{\Delta}^0\}$  and  $D_{\Delta} \setminus \{\perp_{\Delta}\}$  contains  $2^{\omega}$  minimal elements.

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