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POUR-EL'S LANDSCAPE

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Abstract. We study the effective versions of several notions related to incompleteness, undecidability and inseparability along the lines of Pour-El's insights. Firstly, we strengthen Pour-El's theorem on the equivalence between effective essential incompleteness and effective inseparability. Secondly, we compare the notions obtained by restricting that of effective essential incompleteness to intensional finite extensions and extensional finite extensions. Finally, we study the combination of effectiveness and hereditariness, and prove an adapted version of Pour-El's result for this combination.

§1. Introduction. Reflection on the meaning of incompleteness and undecidability results gave rise to notions like *essential undecidability* of theories and *computable inseparability* of theories: a consistent c.e. theory U is essentially undecidable iff all its consistent extensions V (in the same language) are undecidable, and a consistent c.e. theory U is computably inseparable iff its theorems and its refutable sentences are computably inseparable. We note that these notions have different flavours: *essential undecidability* looks at the relation of the given theory with other theories and *computable inseparability* looks at the relation of the theory with c.e. sets.

Such notions were studied in the period 1950–1970, see e.g. [16, 18]. Their various relations and non-relations were established. See the schema at the end of Section 2.4.

Marian Boykan Pour-El, in her ground-breaking paper [1], made an interesting discovery. Where there are examples of essentially incomplete theories that are not computably inseparable, the effective versions of these notions coincide. The present paper is a study of results along the lines of Pour-El's insight. We study effective versions of notions connected to incompleteness and undecidability and establish their interrelationships. See the schema at the end of Section 5 for an overview of our results.

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In the usual statements of incompleteness results, there is often a restriction to some specific formula class. For example: for all c.e. extensions U of the Tarski-Mostowski-Robinson theory R , we can effectively find a Σ_1^0 -sentence σ that is independent of U from an index of U . The Pour-El style results in this paper will reflect the possibility of such restrictions: we will add a parameter for the formula class from which the witnesses of e.g. incompleteness or creativity may be chosen.

Effective versions of incompleteness and undecidability results have unavoidably an intensional component. For example, a theory U is *effectively essentially incomplete* iff there is a partial computable function Φ such that, for all indices i , if the c.e. set W_i is a consistent extension of U , then $\Phi(i)$ converges to a sentence that is independent of W_i . We see that the function that provides the independent sentences operates on presentations rather than directly on the extensions of the given theory itself. Thus, our paper is as much a study of the consequences of intensionality as it is of effectiveness. In the case of finite extensions, we can operate more extensionally, since we can consider these as given not by an index but rather by a sentence. This fact enables us, in the special case of finite extensions, to compare the intensional and the extensional. In Section 4, we study the extensional finite case.

1.1. Overview of the Paper. In Section 2, we introduce the basic notions. We present an analysis of what the effectivisation of a notion is in Section 2.5. Section 3 gives our presentation and extension of Pour-El's work. Then, in Section 4, we study the extensional case for finite extensions. Section 5 is concerned with the combination of effectiveness and hereditariness. Among other things, we prove that for any consistent c.e. theory, effective essential hereditary creativity and strong effective inseparability are equivalent. The section is a sequel to the paper [28], where the non-effective case of hereditariness is studied.

Apart from reading the paper from A to Z, there are several other paths the reader may beneficially follow. Section 2 is more or less obligatory in order to understand the rest, but e.g. Section 2.2 can be read lightly to return to when the relevant notions are needed. Of Section 3, the presentation of Pour-El's original result in Section 3.1 should not be skipped, but the reader could cherry-pick from the rest. Then, the reader can choose between Section 4 and Section 5.

§2. Notions and Basic Facts. In this section, we introduce the various notions that we employ in this paper and present some basic facts.

2.1. Theories. A *theory* is given as a set of axioms in a given signature. We take the signature to be part of the data of the theory. Note that we do not take a formula representing the axiom set or an index

of the axiom set as part of the data. The same theory can have different enumerations. Moreover, these enumerations are enumerations of the axiom set and not of the theorems.

We write U_p for the set of theorems of U and U_r for the U -refutable sentences or anti-theorems of U , i.e. $U_r = \{\varphi \mid U \vdash \neg \varphi\}$.

We will also consider *mono-consequence*: $U \vdash_m \varphi$ iff there is a $\psi \in U$ such that $\psi \vdash \varphi$. We have the corresponding notion of mono-consistency, which was developed by Lindström (cf. [10]). We write U_m for the set of mono-theorems of U and U_n for the set of mono-refutable sentences.

Strictly speaking, there is no disjoint notion of *mono-theory*. A mono-theory is just a theory. However, sometimes we will still use the word to indicate that we intend to use the given set of sentences of the given signature with the notion of mono-consequence.

The notion of mono-theory plays a role in Theorem 2.9. Below we show the notion of mono-theory is connected to the idea of computable sequence of c.e. theories. There are heuristic differences between the notions. Sometimes it is better to think in terms of the ‘flatter’ notion of mono-theory, sometimes it is pleasant to visualise a sequence of theories.

We define \widehat{U} as the set of all non-empty finite conjunctions of elements of U . We have the following convenient insight.

THEOREM 2.1. *We have: $U \vdash \varphi$ iff $\widehat{U} \vdash_m \varphi$. As a consequence, $U_p = \widehat{U}_m$ and $U_r = \widehat{U}_n$.*

We note that we have $V \dashv U$ iff $V \dashv_m \widehat{U}$. So, $(\widehat{\cdot})$ is the right adjoint of the projection functor of theories (of a given signature) with \dashv into theories (of the given signature) with \dashv_m . We also note that, of course, $(\cdot)_p$ gives us an isomorphic functor. The advantage of $(\widehat{\cdot})$ is the fact that it does not raise the complexity of the given set for most measures of complexity.

A *computable sequence* $(T_i)_{i \in \omega}$ of c.e. theories is given by a c.e. relation $\mathcal{T}(i, \varphi)$. Here, of course, $T_i := \{\varphi \mid \mathcal{T}(i, \varphi)\}$. We demand that all T_i are in the same signature. We take this signature as part of the data of the sequence. A sequence of theories is consistent if each of its theories is.

Consider a computable sequence of c.e. theories, given by $\mathcal{T}(i, \varphi)$. We define $\mathcal{T}^m := \bigcup_{i \in \omega} \widehat{T}_i$. Clearly, \mathcal{T}^m is a c.e. mono-theory. It is easy to see that $\mathcal{T}^m \vdash_m \varphi$ iff $T_i \vdash \varphi$, for some i .

Conversely, given a c.e. mono-theory U we can associate a computable sequence $(T_i)_{i \in \omega}$ of c.e. theories as follows. Enumerate U in stages and, if, at stage i , a sentence φ is enumerated, put φ in T_i . Clearly, $U \vdash_m \varphi$ iff $T_i \vdash \varphi$, for some i .

Since metamathematical results on sequences of theories are mostly concerned with the relation $\exists i \in \omega T_i \vdash \varphi$, we can usually replace sequences of theories given by \mathcal{T} by mono-theories U and study $U \vdash_m \varphi$.

2.2. Theory-Extension. We may define various notions of *theory-extension*. The basic notion is simply $U \subseteq V$: the V -axioms extend the U -axioms. Here the V -language may extend the U -language. We have three ‘dimensions’ of variation.

- i. We can put restrictions on the V -language. We consider two possibilities. We use a superscript \mathfrak{s} , for ‘same’ or for ‘signature’, to indicate that the U - and the V -language coincide. We use a superscript \mathfrak{c} to indicate that the V -language extends the U -language by at most finitely many constants.
- ii. We do not compare the axiom sets but appropriate closures of the axioms sets. When we compare the theorems, we indicate this by a subscript \mathfrak{p} . We can also compare the mono-theorems. We indicate this by a subscript \mathfrak{m} .
- iii. We may put constraints on the cardinality of the extension. We use the subscript \mathfrak{f} for finite extensions.

So we will use, e.g. $U \subseteq_{\mathfrak{f}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$, for: V is a finite extension of U in the same language. If we use, e.g., $U \subseteq_{\mathfrak{pf}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$, this is of course intended to mean that the theorems of V are theorems of a finite extension of U . We will use $U \dashv V$ for $U \subseteq_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$ and $U \dashv_{\mathfrak{m}} V$ for $U \subseteq_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$.

We note that if $U_{\mathfrak{p}} = U'_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $V_{\mathfrak{p}} = V'_{\mathfrak{p}}$, then $U \subseteq_{\mathfrak{pf}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$ iff $U' \subseteq_{\mathfrak{pf}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V'$.

We will be looking at mono-extensions of non-mono theories. For this case the following notion of extension is a relevant one.

- $U \uplus V := \{\varphi \wedge \psi \mid \varphi \in U \text{ and } \psi \in V\}$.
- $U \Subset V$ iff $U \uplus V \subseteq_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$.

Let \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} be disjoint c.e. sets. Two sets \mathcal{Z} and \mathcal{W} *weakly biseparate* \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} iff $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{Z}$, $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{W}$, $\mathcal{Z} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$, and $\mathcal{W} \cap \mathcal{X} = \emptyset$. We say that \mathcal{Z} and \mathcal{W} *biseparate* \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} iff they weakly biseparate \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} and $\mathcal{Z} \cap \mathcal{W} = \emptyset$. We will not use the following theorem later, but we state it for the sake of understanding.

- THEOREM 2.2.** *a. If $U \Subset V$, then $\widehat{U} \subseteq^{\mathfrak{s}} U_{\mathfrak{p}} \subseteq_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}} U_{\mathfrak{p}} \uplus V \subseteq_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$.*
b. If $U \Subset V$ and V is mono-consistent, then $V_{\mathfrak{m}}$ and $V_{\mathfrak{n}}$ weakly biseparate $U_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $U_{\mathfrak{r}}$.
c. $U \Subset U$ iff $U_{\mathfrak{m}} = U_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

PROOF. (a). Suppose $U \Subset V$. The inclusions $\widehat{U} \subseteq^{\mathfrak{s}} U_{\mathfrak{p}} \subseteq_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}} U_{\mathfrak{p}} \uplus V$ are obvious. To prove $U_{\mathfrak{p}} \uplus V \subseteq_{\mathfrak{m}}^{\mathfrak{s}} V$, it suffices to show that for any k , $\varphi_0, \dots, \varphi_k \in U$, and $\psi \in V$, there exists a $\rho \in V$ such that $\rho \vdash \varphi_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k \wedge \psi$. We prove the statement by induction on k , and the case of $k = 0$ is immediate from $U \Subset V$. Assume that the statement holds for k and let $\varphi_0, \dots, \varphi_k, \varphi_{k+1} \in U$ and $\psi \in V$. By the induction hypothesis, there exists a $\rho \in V$ such that $\rho \vdash \varphi_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k \wedge \psi$. Since $U \Subset V$, there exists a $\rho' \in V$ such that $\rho' \vdash \varphi_{k+1} \wedge \rho$. We obtain $\rho' \vdash \varphi_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k \wedge \varphi_{k+1} \wedge \psi$.

(b). Suppose $U \in V$ and V is mono-consistent. Since $U_p \subseteq_m V$ by (a), we have $U_p \subseteq V_m$ and $U_r \subseteq V_n$. If $\xi \in U_p \cap V_n$ for some sentence ξ , then there would be a $\psi \in V$ such that $\psi \vdash \neg \xi$. Since $U_p \uplus V \subseteq_m^s V$, there would be a $\rho \in V$ such that $\rho \vdash \xi \wedge \psi$. Then, ρ is inconsistent. This contradicts the mono-consistency of V . Therefore, $U_p \cap V_n = \emptyset$. In a similar way, we can prove $U_r \cap V_m = \emptyset$.

(c). By (a), $U \in U$ is equivalent to $U_p \uplus U \subseteq_m^s U$, and to $U_p \subseteq_m^s U$. Also, $U_p \subseteq_m^s U$ is equivalent to $U_m = U_p$. \dashv

2.3. Interpretability. An interpretation K of a theory U in a theory V is based on a *translation* of the U -language into the V -language. This translation commutes with the propositional connectives. In some broad sense, it also commutes with the quantifiers but here there are a number of extra features.

- Translations may be more-dimensional: we allow a variable to be translated to an appropriate sequence of variables.
- We may have domain relativisation: we allow the range of the translated quantifiers to be some domain definable in the V -language.
- We may even allow the new domain to be built up from pieces of, possibly, different dimensions.

A further feature is that identity need not be translated to identity but can be translated to a congruence relation. Finally, we may also allow parameters in an interpretation. To handle these the translation may specify a parameter-domain. For details on the various kinds of translation, we refer the reader to [26].

We can define the obvious identity translation of a language in itself and composition of translations.

An *interpretation* is a triple $\langle U, \tau, V \rangle$, where τ is a translation of the U -language in the V -language such that, for all φ , if $U \vdash \varphi$, then $V \vdash \varphi^\tau$.¹

We write:

- $K : U \triangleleft V$ for: K is an interpretation of U in V .
- $U \triangleleft V$ for: there is a K such that $K : U \triangleleft V$. We also write $V \triangleright U$ for: $U \triangleleft V$.
- $U \triangleleft_{\text{loc}} V$ for: for every finitely axiomatisable sub-theory U_0 of U , we have $U_0 \triangleleft V$.
- $U \triangleleft_{\text{mod}} V$ for: for every V -model \mathcal{M} , there is a translation τ from the U -language in the V -language, such that τ defines an internal U -model $\mathcal{N} = \tilde{\tau}(\mathcal{M})$ of U in \mathcal{M} .

¹In case we have parameters with parameter-domain α this becomes: $V \vdash \exists \vec{x} \alpha(\vec{x})$ and, for all φ , if $U \vdash \varphi$, then $V \vdash \forall \vec{x} (\alpha(\vec{x}) \rightarrow \varphi^{\tau, \vec{x}})$

In Appendix B, we will have a brief look at effective versions of local interpretability, essentially concluding that all such versions collapse either to ordinary local interpretability or, somewhat surprisingly, to global interpretability.

In [28], the relation of *essential tolerance* was studied since it has backwards preservation of essential hereditary undecidability. In Appendix C, we briefly consider *effective essential tolerance*. This relation has backwards preservation of effective essential hereditary undecidability.

2.4. The Non-Effective Notions. In this subsection, we introduce the non-effective notions. We will then discuss what the appropriate corresponding effective versions should be in the next subsection.

Our first building blocks are decidability, completeness and separability.

- A theory U is *decidable* if there is an algorithm that decides provability in U . In other words, U is decidable iff U_p is computable. A theory is *undecidable* if it is not decidable.
- A theory U is *complete* if, for every U -sentence φ , we have $U \vdash \varphi$ or $U \vdash \neg\varphi$. In other words, U is complete iff $U_p \cup U_t = \text{Sent}_U$. A theory is *incomplete* if it is not complete.

Suppose \mathcal{P} is a property of theories. We say that U is *essentially* \mathcal{P} if all consistent c.e. extensions (in the same language) of U are \mathcal{P} . We say that U is *hereditarily* \mathcal{P} if all consistent c.e. sub-theories of U (in the same language) are \mathcal{P} . We say that U is *potentially* \mathcal{P} if some consistent c.e. extension (in the same language) of U is \mathcal{P} .

We defined essential and potential and hereditary with respect to \subseteq^s . In this paper we also will consider these notions with respect to \subseteq_j^s .

If \mathcal{R} is a relation between theories the use of *essential* and *hereditary* and *potential* always concerns the first component aka the subject. Thus, e.g., we say that U *essentially tolerates* V meaning that U essentially has the property of tolerating V . Tolerance itself is defined as potential interpretation. So U essentially tolerates V if U essentially potentially interprets V . We will have a closer look at essential tolerance in Appendix C.

An important recursion theoretic notion is computable (in)separability. Two c.e. sets \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} are *computably separable* iff, there is a computable \mathcal{Z} such that $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{Z}$ and $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{Z}^c$. Two sets are *computably inseparable* iff they are not computably separable. We want to apply computable (in)separability to theories and pairs of theories by designating certain sets of sentences associated with the theories as candidates for computable (in)separability.

Let us say that a pair of theories (U, V) is *acceptable* iff U and V have the same signature and are jointly consistent. Let (U, V) be acceptable. We define:

- (U, V) is *computably (in)separable* iff U_p and V_τ are computably (in)separable.
- U is *computably (in)separable* iff (U, U) is computably (in)separable.
- U is *strongly computably (in)separable* iff $(U, 0_U)$ is computably (in)separable.

Here, 0_U denotes the pure predicate calculus in the language of U .

We define: $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) \leq_1 (\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W})$ iff there is an injective computable function f , such that $n \in \mathcal{X}$ iff $f(n) \in \mathcal{Z}$, and $n \in \mathcal{Y}$ iff $f(n) \in \mathcal{W}$. Our definition generalises [20, Definition 2.4.9, p40], which coincides with our definition when we restrict ourselves to disjoint pairs of sets. We have $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}) \leq_1 (\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Y})$ iff $\mathcal{X} \leq_1 \mathcal{Y}$. Clearly, if $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ and $(\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W})$ are disjoint pairs and if $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ is computably inseparable and $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) \leq_1 (\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W})$, then $(\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W})$ is computably inseparable.

We have the following simple insights:

THEOREM 2.3. (U, V) is *computably inseparable* iff (V, U) is *computably inseparable*.

PROOF. We note that negation witnesses that $(U_p, V_\tau) \leq_1 (U_\tau, V_p)$. So if (U_p, V_τ) is computably inseparable, then so is (V_p, U_τ) . \dashv

THEOREM 2.4 (Subtraction Theorem). *If $(U + \varphi, V + \varphi)$ is computably inseparable, then so is $(U + \varphi, V)$.*

PROOF. The function $\psi \mapsto (\varphi \wedge \psi)$ witnesses that

$$((U + \varphi)_p, (V + \varphi)_\tau) \leq_1 ((U + \varphi)_p, V_\tau). \quad \dashv$$

The computable inseparability of a theory is closely related to the undecidability and the incompleteness of the theory. Indeed, the computable inseparability of a theory U implies the essential undecidability of U . For example, the computable inseparability of the theory R of weak arithmetic follows from the work by Smullyan [14], and then the essential undecidability of R that was first established by Tarski, Mostowski and Robinson [21] immediately follows. It is well-known that, for any consistent c.e. theory, essential incompleteness and essential undecidability are equivalent, and so the computable inseparability of R also yields the essential incompleteness of R . Here, the essential incompleteness of R is also strengthened. Mostowski [11] proved that R is *uniformly essentially incomplete*, that is, for any computable sequence $(T_i)_{i \in \omega}$ of consistent c.e. extensions of R , there exists a sentence simultaneously independent of all theories in the sequence. Interestingly, Ehrenfeucht [4] proved that Mostowski's theorem is equivalent to the computable inseparability of R , namely, he proved that, for any consistent c.e. theory U , U is computably inseparable if and only if U is uniformly essentially incomplete.

Finitely axiomatisable theories sometimes behave well. Tarski, Mostowski and Robinson [21] showed that for a finitely axiomatisable theory, essential undecidability is equivalent to essential hereditary undecidability. Also, it follows from the Subtraction Theorem (Theorem 2.4) that for a finitely axiomatised theory, computable inseparability is equivalent to strong computable inseparability. Note that strong effective inseparability implies essential hereditary undecidability. So, the finitely axiomatised theory Q which is an extension of R is strongly computably inseparable and essentially hereditarily undecidable. Here, since R is not finitely axiomatisable, the essential hereditary undecidability of R is non-trivial. This was proved by Cobham, but his proof of the result was not published. Vaught [22] gave a proof of Cobham's theorem by proving the strong computable inseparability of R . For a detailed study of the notion of essential hereditary undecidability, see [28]. See [26] and [9] for new proofs of Cobham and Vaught's theorems.

Relating to these notions, we also introduce the following two notions:

- U is *f-essentially incomplete* iff, for any U -sentence φ , if $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is consistent, then $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is incomplete.
- U is *f-uniformly essentially incomplete* iff, for any $k \in \omega$, whenever U_0, \dots, U_{k-1} are consistent c.e. extensions of U in the same language, then there is a sentence independent of each of the U_0, \dots, U_{k-1} .

It is easy to see that a theory U is f-essentially incomplete iff the Lindenbaum algebra of U is atomless. For f-uniform essential incompleteness, we have:

PROPOSITION 2.5. *Every essentially incomplete theory is f-uniformly essentially incomplete.*

PROOF. We prove, by induction on k , that, if U_0, \dots, U_{k-1} are consistent c.e. extensions of U in the same language, then there is a sentence ρ_k independent of each of the U_0, \dots, U_{k-1} . We set $\rho_0 := \top$. In case $U_i \cup U_k$ is consistent for some $i < k$, we replace both U_i and U_k with $U_i \cup U_k$, and apply the induction hypothesis to the reduced sequence. Suppose all the $U_i \cup U_k$, for $i < k$, are inconsistent. We define ρ_{k+1} . For each $i < k$, there is a φ_i , such that $U_k \vdash \varphi_i$ and $U_i \vdash \neg \varphi_i$. Let φ be the conjunction of the φ_i . So, $U_k \vdash \varphi$ and, for each of the U_i , where $i < k$, we have $U_i \vdash \neg \varphi$. Suppose ρ is independent of U_k . We define $\rho_{k+1} := (\rho \wedge \varphi) \vee (\rho_k \wedge \neg \varphi)$. It is immediate that this does as promised. \dashv

The relationships between these non-effective notions are visualised in Figure 1. In [12], the existence of a decidable f-essentially incomplete theory was proved. Also, essential hereditary undecidability and computable inseparability are incomparable in general (cf. [28, Example 6]). Therefore, none of the implications in Figure 1 are reversible. Related to this figure, one could consider the notions such as f-essential undecidability

and f-essential hereditary undecidability etc., but we will not deal with these notions, as they are beside the main subject of this paper.

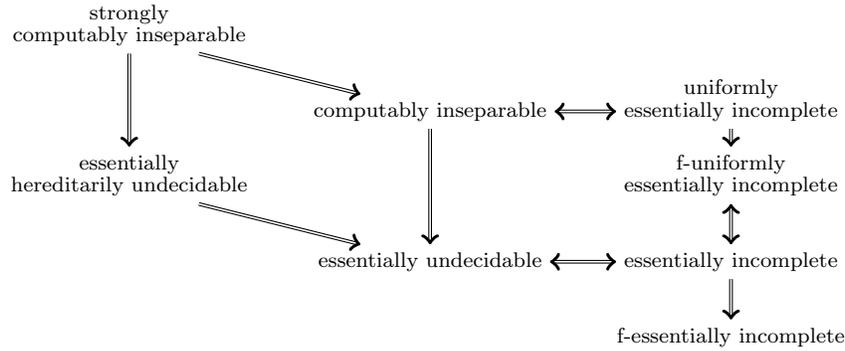


FIGURE 1. Implications between non-effective notions

In what follows, we explore the effectivisations of these notions of incompleteness, undecidability, and inseparability.

2.5. What is Effective? Notions like *essential* and *hereditary* operate extensionally on the notions they modify. The situation is not so simple for adding *effective*. Adding “effective” in front of an expression operates intensionally on *the definition* of the concept.

Suppose the definition of \mathcal{P} has the form $\forall \vec{x} \exists \vec{y} \varphi(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$, where φ does not start with an existential quantifier. We propose to say that *effectively* \mathcal{P} means that there are computable functions $\vec{\Phi}$ such that $\forall \vec{x} \varphi(\vec{x}, \vec{\Phi}(\vec{x}))$. If the given definition of \mathcal{P} has the form $\forall \vec{x} (\psi(\vec{x}) \rightarrow \exists \vec{y} \varphi(\vec{x}, \vec{y}))$, where φ does not start with an existential quantifier, then, *effectively* \mathcal{P} means that there are partial computable functions $\vec{\Phi}$ such that

$$\forall \vec{x} (\psi(\vec{x}) \rightarrow \exists \vec{z} (\vec{\Phi}(\vec{x}) \simeq \vec{z} \wedge \varphi(\vec{x}, \vec{z}))).$$

REMARK 2.6. An alternative proposal would be to suggest that *effectively* \mathcal{P} simply means the Kleene realisability of the salient definition of \mathcal{P} . However, this does not always deliver the desired outcomes.

2.5.1. Effective Undecidability. A c.e. set \mathcal{X} is decidable iff $\exists i ((\mathcal{X} \cap W_i) = \emptyset \wedge (\mathcal{X} \cup W_i) = \omega)$. So, \mathcal{X} is undecidable means:

$$\forall i (\exists y (y \in \mathcal{X} \wedge y \in W_i) \vee \exists x (x \notin \mathcal{X} \wedge x \notin W_i)).$$

Equivalently,

$$\forall i \exists x ((x \in \mathcal{X} \wedge x \in W_i) \vee (x \notin \mathcal{X} \wedge x \notin W_i)).$$

The constructivisation of this is: there is a computable Φ such that:

$$\forall i ((\Phi(i) \in \mathcal{X} \wedge \Phi(i) \in W_i) \vee (\Phi(i) \notin \mathcal{X} \wedge \Phi(i) \notin W_i)).$$

So this is the notion of *being constructively non-computable*. See [13, p162].

Alternatively, \mathcal{X} is *undecidable* also means:

$$\forall i \exists y ((\mathcal{X} \cap W_i) = \emptyset \Rightarrow (y \notin \mathcal{X} \wedge y \notin W_i)).$$

So, the effectivisation of this is: there is a computable Φ such that:

$$\forall i ((\mathcal{X} \cap W_i) = \emptyset \Rightarrow (\Phi(i) \notin \mathcal{X} \wedge \Phi(i) \notin W_i)).$$

This is exactly the notion of *being creative*.

Every constructively non-computable set is exactly a c.e. set whose complement is completely productive, which is a notion introduced by Dekker [3]. It is proved in [13, p183, Theorem VI] that productivity and complete productivity coincide, and hence creativity and constructive non-computability also coincide. So, these notions serve stable effectivisation of the notion of undecidability.

2.5.2. Effective Essential Undecidability. Let us assume the definition of the essential undecidability of U is:

$$\forall i \forall j \left((W_i \vdash U \text{ and } \text{con}(W_i)) \Rightarrow \exists x ((x \notin W_{ip} \wedge x \notin W_j) \vee (x \in W_{ip} \wedge x \in W_j)) \right).$$

Here $\text{con}(W_i)$ is an abbreviation of the statement ‘ W_i is consistent’. So our recipe gives: there is a partial computable Ψ such that:

$$\forall i \forall j \left((W_i \vdash U \text{ and } \text{con}(W_i)) \Rightarrow (\Psi(i, j) \downarrow \wedge ((\Psi(i, j) \notin W_{ip} \wedge \Psi(i, j) \notin W_j) \vee (\Psi(i, j) \in W_{ip} \wedge \Psi(i, j) \in W_j))) \right).$$

By the usual argument, we can always choose Ψ total. Moreover, our definition is equivalent to: there is a total computable Θ such that:

$$\forall i ((W_i \vdash U \text{ and } \text{con}(W_i)) \Rightarrow (\lambda j. \Theta(i, j) \text{ witnesses that } W_{ip} \text{ is creative}))$$

So this gives us that effective essential undecidability is the same thing as effective essential creativity. We will work with the last notion. This notion was suggested in Feferman’s paper [5, Footnote 11] and investigated by Smullyan [15].

In the rest of the paper, we will simply stipulate the effective versions of the relevant notions. The reader may amuse herself by deriving the definitions following our recipe. We briefly discuss why there is not separate notion of effective local interpretability in Appendix B.

2.5.3. Constraining the Witness. Effective notions usually have a partial computable function Φ that chooses some (counter)example. In many cases, it is interesting to put a constraint on the (counter)examples, i.e., on the range of witness providing function Φ . For example, consider effective essential incompleteness. One usually specifies that the witnesses

can be chosen to be Σ_1^0 (or, equivalently, Π_1^0). In this case we will speak of effective essential Σ_1^0 -incompleteness. We will see that there are other interesting restriction than this familiar one.

More generally, if the constraint \mathcal{X} is a set of numbers coding sentences-of-the-given-signature, and \mathcal{P} is the property of theories under consideration, we will speak about *effective \mathcal{X} - \mathcal{P}* . Note that we do not demand that \mathcal{X} is c.e..

We can make this even more general. Let \mathcal{F} be a function from sets of sentences to sets of sentences (all of the given signature). We do not put any effectivity constrains on \mathcal{F} . Moreover, we allow \mathcal{F} to be empty on some arguments. For example, U is effectively essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete iff, for every i such that W_i axiomatizes a consistent extension of U , there is a $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}(W_i)$, such that φ is independent of W_i . We note that if \mathcal{F} has constant value \mathcal{X} , we are back in the simpler case.

2.6. Effective Inseparability. Two disjoint c.e. sets \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} are said to be *effectively inseparable* iff, there exists a partial computable function Φ such that for any c.e. sets W_i and W_j , if W_i and W_j weakly bi-separate \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} , then $\Phi(i, j)$ converges and $\Phi(i, j) \notin W_i \cup W_j$. Let (U, V) be acceptable pair of theories. We define:

- (U, V) is *effectively inseparable* iff U_p and V_t are effectively inseparable.
- U is *effectively inseparable* iff (U, U) is effectively inseparable.
- U is *strongly effectively inseparable* iff $(U, 0_U)$ is effectively inseparable.

We define witness comparison notation. For every c.e. relation $R(\vec{x})$, we can effectively find a primitive computable relation $R^*(\vec{x}, y)$ such that $R(\vec{x})$ iff $\exists y R^*(\vec{x}, y)$. For all pairs of c.e. relations $R_0(\vec{x})$ and $R_1(\vec{x})$, we define:

- $R_0(\vec{x}) \leq R_1(\vec{x}) :\leftrightarrow \exists y (R_0^*(\vec{x}, y) \wedge \forall z < y \neg R_1^*(\vec{x}, z))$,
- $R_0(\vec{x}) < R_1(\vec{x}) :\leftrightarrow \exists y (R_0^*(\vec{x}, y) \wedge \forall z \leq y \neg R_1^*(\vec{x}, z))$.

We note that the witness comparison notation is *intensional*. The procedure to find R^* given R operates on a presentation of R and gives a presentation of R^* as output.

PROPOSITION 2.7. *In the definition of effective inseparability, restricting weakly bi-separating sets to bi-separating sets yields an equivalent notion.*

PROOF. This is because if W_i and W_j weakly bi-separate \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} , then we can effectively find k_0 and k_1 such that $W_{k_0} \cup W_{k_1} = W_i \cup W_j$, and W_{k_0} and W_{k_1} bi-separate \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} . Such k_0 and k_1 are obtained by letting

- $W_{k_0} = \{n \mid (n \in W_i) \leq (n \in W_j)\}$ and

- $W_{k_1} = \{n \mid (n \in W_j) < (n \in W_i)\}$.

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Smullyan analyzed the notion of effective inseparability extensively, and in particular various notions related to effective inseparability are discussed in his [17, 18]. For more information on this topic, see the recent paper by Yong Cheng [2].

The effective inseparability of the theory R follows from a result established by Smullyan [15]. Smullyan mentioned that effective inseparability implies effective essential creativity. Also, for any consistent c.e. theory, effective essential creativity clearly implies effective essential incompleteness. Ehrenfeucht [4] provided an essentially incomplete theory that is not computably inseparable, but, in the effective case, such an example cannot exist. Namely, for any consistent c.e. theory, effective essential incompleteness implies effective inseparability. This result was established by Pour-El. Actually, Pour-El proved more. We say that a theory U is *effectively if-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete* iff there is a partial computable function Φ such that for any i , if W_i is a consistent finite extension of U , then $\Phi(i)$ converges, $\Phi(i) \in \mathcal{F}(W_i)$, and $\Phi(i)$ is independent of W_i . Here, ‘if’ stands for ‘intensional finite extensions’. The notion of effective ef-essential \mathcal{F} -incompleteness is studied in Section 4, where ‘ef’ stands for ‘extensional finite extensions’. Pour-El called effective essential incompleteness *effective extensibility*. She called effective if-essential incompleteness *weak effective extensibility*. Pour-El’s theorem is stated as follows:

THEOREM 2.8 (Pour-El [1, Theorem 1]). *For any consistent c.e. theory U , the following are equivalent:*

- U is effectively inseparable.
- U is effectively essentially creative.
- U is effectively essentially incomplete.
- U is effectively if-essentially incomplete.

In the next section, we prove a slightly strengthened version of Pour-El’s theorem (Theorem 3.1). Furthermore, our proof is slightly simpler than the original one. For completeness, we describe Pour-El’s original argument in Appendix A.

We say that a theory U is *effectively uniformly essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete* iff, there is a partial computable function Φ such that for any j , if j is the index of a computable sequence of consistent c.e. extensions $(T_i)_{i \in \omega}$ of U , then we have that $\Phi(j)$ converges, $\Phi(j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and $\Phi(j)$ is independent of T_i for all $i \in \omega$. For any consistent c.e. theory, effective inseparability easily implies effective uniform essential incompleteness. So, one could say that, in the effective case, Ehrenfeucht’s result on the equivalence between computable inseparability and uniform essential incompleteness

is superseded by Pour-El's work. However, we do think it is instructive to include the effective analogues of Ehrenfeucht's theorem here, also since these results have entirely self-reference free proofs. We also present the effective version of Ehrenfeucht's results from the mono-perspective.

THEOREM 2.9. *Let U be a consistent c.e. theory. Let \mathcal{X} be a set of sentences. The following are equivalent.*

- a. U is effectively \mathcal{X} -inseparable, i.e., there is a partial computable function Φ , such that for all pairs of sets W_i, W_j that weakly bi-separate U_p and U_t , we have $\Phi(i, j)$ converges, $\Phi(i, j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and $\Phi(i, j) \notin W_i \cup W_j$.
- b. U is effectively uniformly essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete, i.e., there is a partial computable function Ψ_0 , such that, for every computable sequence of consistent c.e. extensions U'_i of U with index j , we have that $\Psi_0(j)$ converges, $\Psi_0(j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and, for all i , $U'_i \not\vdash \Psi_0(j)$ and $U'_i \not\vdash \neg \Psi_0(j)$.
- c. There is a partial computable function Ψ_1 , such that, for every computable sequence of U -sentences ν_0, ν_1, \dots with index j , such that each ν_i is consistent with U , $\Psi_1(j)$ converges, $\Psi_1(j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and, for all i , we have $U \not\vdash \nu_i \rightarrow \Psi_1(j)$ and $U \not\vdash \nu_i \rightarrow \neg \Psi_1(j)$.
- d. There is a partial computable function Ψ_2 , such that, for every computable sequence of U -sentences χ_0, χ_1, \dots with index j , such that each χ_i is consistent with U , we have $\Psi_2(j)$ converges, $\Psi_2(j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and, for all i , we have $0_U \not\vdash \chi_i \rightarrow \Psi_2(j)$ and $0_U \not\vdash \chi_i \rightarrow \neg \Psi_2(j)$.
- e. U is effectively \in -essentially \mathcal{X} -m-incomplete, i.e., there is a partial computable function Ψ_3 , such that for every mono-consistent $W_j \ni U$, we have $\Psi_3(j)$ converges, $\Psi_3(j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and, $\Psi_3(j) \notin W_{jm} \cup W_{jn}$.
- f. There is a partial computable function Ψ_4 such that, for any W_j such that $\widehat{U} \sqcup W_j$ is mono-consistent, we have $\Psi_4(j)$ converges, $\Psi_4(j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and, $\Psi_4(j) \notin W_{jm} \cup W_{jn}$.

Moreover, each of (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) is equivalent to a version, say (a'), (b'), (c'), (d'), (e'), (f') where the witnessing function is total.

PROOF. “(a) to (b)”. Consider a computable sequence $(U'_i)_{i \in \omega}$ of consistent c.e. extensions of U . Say our sequence has index j . Let $V := \bigcup_{i \in \omega} U'_{ip}$ and let $W := \bigcup_{i \in \omega} U'_{it}$. We can find indices k and ℓ for V and W effectively from j . Clearly, V and W weakly bi-separate U_p and U_t . We take $\Psi_0(j) := \Phi(k, \ell)$. It follows that $\Psi_0(j)$ is in \mathcal{X} and is independent of each U'_i .

“(b) to (c)”. We can effectively transform an index j of the sequence $(\nu_i)_{i \in \omega}$ into an index j' of the sequence of theories $(U + \nu_i)_{i \in \omega}$. We set $\Psi_1(j) := \Psi_0(j')$.

“(c) to (d)”. We can take $\Psi_2 := \Psi_1$.

“(d) to (e)”. Suppose $W_j \ni U$ and W_j is mono-consistent. We can effectively find an index k of an enumeration $(\chi_s)_{s \in \omega}$ of the elements of

W_j from j . Since W_j and U_τ are disjoint, we have that χ_s is consistent with U for each $s \in \omega$. We obtain that $\Psi_2(k)$ converges, $\Psi_2(k) \in \mathcal{X}$, and for all s , $0_U \not\vdash \chi_s \rightarrow \Psi_2(k)$ and $0_U \not\vdash \chi_s \rightarrow \neg\Psi_2(k)$. We then have $\Psi_2(k) \notin W_{j_m} \cup W_{j_n}$. We take $\Psi_3(j) := \Psi_2(k)$.

“(e) to (f)”. Consider any c.e. W_j such that $W := \widehat{U} \uplus W_j$ is mono-consistent. It is easy to see that $W \ni U$. We can easily find an index k of W from j . We take $\Psi_4(j) := \Psi_3(k)$.

“(f) to (a)”. Suppose W_i and W_j weakly bi-separate U_p and U_τ . Let

$$V := W_i \cup \{\chi \mid (\neg\chi) \in W_j\}.$$

If $\widehat{U} \uplus V$ were mono-inconsistent, there would be a $\nu \in V$ and $U \vdash \neg\nu$. The second conjunct tells us that $\nu \notin W_i$ and $(\neg\nu) \notin W_j$. A contradiction. So, $\widehat{U} \uplus V$ is mono-consistent. We clearly can find an index k of V effectively from i and j . We take $\Phi(i, j) := \Psi_4(k)$.

We prove the equivalence between (a) and (a'). The (a')-to-(a) direction is trivial. We assume (a). Consider any pair of indices i, j . We define Φ^* . We can effectively find indices i', j' of $U_p \cup W_i$ and $U_\tau \cup W_j$. We compute $\Phi(i', j')$ and, simultaneously, we seek a counterexample to the claim that $W_{i'}, W_{j'}$ weakly bi-separate U_p and U_τ . If we find a value of $\Phi(i', j')$ first then we give that as output of $\Phi^*(i, j)$. If we find a counterexample first, we give that as output (or, alternatively, we give some fixed chosen sentence as output). It is easy to see that Φ^* is total and satisfies our specification.

The equivalences of (b) and (b'), (c) and (c'), (d) and (d'), (e) and (e'), and (f) and (f') are proved in an analogous way. \dashv

§3. Pour-El's Theorem. In this section, we prove Pour-El's Theorem in a slightly stronger version (Section 3.1). We give a variant (Section 3.2) and describe some sample applications (Sections 3.3 and 3.4). In Section 5, we present an adaptation of the argument that applies to effective hereditary creativity.

3.1. The Theorem. In this subsection, we give our version of Pour-El's result.

THEOREM 3.1. *Suppose U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete. Then, U is effectively $\mathcal{F}(U)$ -inseparable.*

PROOF. Let U be effectively if-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete with partial computable witness Φ . Suppose W_i and W_j weakly bi-separate U_p and U_τ .

Using the Recursion Theorem with parameters (cf. [19, Theorem 3.5]), we effectively find a k^* (depending of i and j) such that

$$W_{k^*} = U \cup \{\varphi \mid \Phi(k^*) \simeq \varphi \text{ and } \varphi \in W_i\} \cup \{\psi \mid \exists \varphi (\Phi(k^*) \simeq \varphi \text{ and } \varphi \in W_j \text{ and } \psi = \neg \varphi)\}.$$

We note that we have:

$$W_{k^*} = \begin{cases} U \cup \{\Phi(k^*)\} & \text{if } \Phi(k^*) \text{ converges and } \Phi(k^*) \in W_i, \\ U \cup \{\neg \Phi(k^*)\} & \text{if } \Phi(k^*) \text{ converges and } \Phi(k^*) \in W_j, \\ U & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let $U^* := W_{k^*}$.

- Suppose $\Phi(k^*)$ converges to, say, $\varphi^* \in W_i$. It follows that $U^* = U \cup \{\varphi^*\}$. Since $\varphi^* \notin U_r$, we have that U^* is consistent and, hence, φ^* is independent of U^* . A contradiction.
- Suppose $\Phi(k^*)$ converges to, say, $\varphi^* \in W_j$. It follows that $U^* = U \cup \{\neg \varphi^*\}$. Since $\varphi^* \notin U_p$, we have that U^* is consistent, and, hence, φ^* is independent of U^* . A contradiction.

We may conclude that $U^* = U$. Hence, $\Phi(k^*)$ converges, say to φ^* . We have $\varphi^* \notin W_i \cup W_j$.

Clearly, our argument delivers a total computable Ψ , such that, whenever W_i and W_j weakly biseparate U_p and U_r , we have $\Psi(i, j) \notin W_i \cup W_j$.

Finally, we note that the W_{k^*} are all equal to U and, thus $\Psi(i, j) = \Phi(k^*) \in \mathcal{F}(U)$. ⊥

As a consequence of Theorem 3.1, we obtain the following corollary showing the equivalence of several relating notions. For each formula class \mathcal{X} and theory U , let $[\mathcal{X}]_U$ be the closure of \mathcal{X} under U -provable equivalence.

COROLLARY 3.2. *For any consistent c.e. theory U and set of sentences \mathcal{X} , the following are equivalent:*

- a. U is effectively \mathcal{X} -inseparable.
- b. U is effectively essentially \mathcal{X} -creative.
- c. U is effectively essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete.
- d. U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete.

Moreover, in case \mathcal{X} is c.e., each of (a), (b), (c), (d) is equivalent to a version, say (a'), (b'), (c'), (d') where \mathcal{X} is replaced by $[\mathcal{X}]_U$.

PROOF. The implications “(a) to (b)”, “(b) to (c)”, and “(c) to (d)” are obvious.

“(d) to (a)”. Immediate from Theorem 3.1 by letting \mathcal{F} to be the function having the constant value \mathcal{X} .

Suppose \mathcal{X} is c.e. It suffices to show the equivalence of (c) and (c'). The implication “(c) to (c'”) is trivial because $\mathcal{X} \subseteq [\mathcal{X}]_U$. We treat

“(c′) to (c)”. Suppose that U is effectively essentially $[\mathcal{X}]_U$ -incomplete, as witnessed by a partial computable function Φ . Note that if T is a consistent extension of U and φ is independent of T , then each element of $[\{\varphi\}]_U$ is also independent of T . Let Ψ be a partial computable function such that for each i , if $\Phi(i)$ converges, then $\Psi(i)$ is in $[\{\Phi(i)\}]_U \cap \mathcal{X}$. Then, it is shown that Ψ witnesses the effective \mathcal{X} -incompleteness of U . \dashv

COROLLARY 3.3. *If U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete, then U is effectively $\mathcal{F}(U)$ -inseparable and effectively if-essentially $\mathcal{F}(U)$ -incomplete*

3.2. A Variant: Double Generativity. In Smullyan’s book [18], many notions that are equivalent to effective inseparability were introduced (see also [2]). As a sample of variants of the argument in Subsection 3.1, we focus on double generativity among them as the double analogue of constructive non-computability, and discuss its witness constraining version.

We say that a theory U is *doubly \mathcal{X} -generative* iff there exists a total computable function Φ such that for any $i, j \in \omega$, if $W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$, then

- $\Phi(i, j) \in U_p$ iff $\Phi(i, j) \in W_j$,
- $\Phi(i, j) \in U_r$ iff $\Phi(i, j) \in W_i$,
- if $\Phi(i, j) \notin W_i \cup W_j$, then $\Phi(i, j) \in \mathcal{X}$.

We obtain a *prima facie* less constrictive notion if we demand that the W_i, W_j are the V_p, V_r of some theory V . A consistent c.e. theory U is *\mathcal{X} -theory-generative* iff, there is a total computable function Ψ , such for every consistent theory V in the U -language with index i , we have:

- $\Psi(i) \in U_p$ iff $\Psi(i) \in V_r$,
- $\Psi(i) \in U_r$ iff $\Psi(i) \in V_p$,
- if $\Psi(i) \notin V_p \cup V_r$, then $\Psi(i) \in \mathcal{X}$.

THEOREM 3.4. *For any consistent c.e. theory U and set of sentences \mathcal{X} , the following are equivalent:*

- a. U is doubly \mathcal{X} -generative.
- b. U is \mathcal{X} -theory-generative.
- c. U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete.

PROOF. “(a) to (b)”. Suppose that a total computable function Φ witnesses the double \mathcal{X} -generativity of U . Let V be any consistent c.e. theory with index i . We can effectively find k_0 and k_1 from i such that $W_{k_0} = V_p$ and $W_{k_1} = V_r$. Let $\Psi(i) := \Phi(k_0, k_1)$. It is immediate that Φ witnesses that U is \mathcal{X} -theory-generative.

“(b) to (c)”. Suppose Φ witnesses that U is \mathcal{X} -theory-generative and let V be a consistent c.e. theory that if-extends U with index i . Since the first two cases of \mathcal{X} -theory-generativity cannot be active, it follows that $\Phi(i) \notin V_p \cup V_r$ and $\Phi(i) \in \mathcal{X}$.

“(c) to (a)”. Suppose that U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete. Let Φ be a partial computable function that witnesses the effective if-essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness of U . We may assume that $\Phi(k)$ converges if W_k is an if-extension of U , whether W_k is consistent or not. By the Recursion Theorem with parameters, there exists a computable function $\Psi(x, y)$ such that, setting $\Phi^*(x, y) := \Phi(\Psi(x, y))$, we have:

$$W_{\Psi(x,y)} = \begin{cases} U \cup \{\Phi^*(x, y)\} & \text{if } (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (U_p \cup W_x)) \leq (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (U_r \cup W_y)), \\ U \cup \{\neg \Phi^*(x, y)\} & \text{if } (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (U_r \cup W_y)) < (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (U_p \cup W_x)), \\ U & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since $W_{\Psi(i,j)}$ is an if-essential extension of U for all i and j , we find that $\Phi^*(i, j)$ is a total computable function.

We show that Φ^* witnesses the double \mathcal{X} -generativity of U . Let i and j be such that $W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$ and let $\varphi^* := \Phi^*(i, j)$

- Suppose $(\varphi^* \in (U_p \cup W_i)) \leq (\varphi^* \in (U_r \cup W_j))$ holds. Then, $W_{\Psi(i,j)} = U \cup \{\varphi^*\}$. Since $W_{\Psi(i,j)} \vdash \Phi(\Psi(i, j))$, we have that $W_{\Psi(i,j)} = U \cup \{\varphi^*\}$ is inconsistent. So, $\varphi^* \in U_r$. Since $U_p \cap U_r = \emptyset$ and $\varphi^* \in U_p \cup W_i$, we obtain $\varphi^* \in U_r \cap W_i$.
- Suppose $(\varphi^* \in (U_r \cup W_j)) < (\varphi^* \in (U_p \cup W_i))$ holds. As above, it is shown that $\varphi^* \in U_p \cap W_j$.
- Otherwise, $\varphi^* \notin U_p \cup W_j$ and $\varphi^* \notin U_r \cup W_i$. Since $W_{\Psi(i,j)} = U$ is a consistent if-essential extension of U , we have $\varphi^* = \Phi(\Psi(i, j)) \in \mathcal{X}$.

A simple exercise in propositional logic now shows that Φ^* witnesses the double \mathcal{X} -generativity of U . ◻

3.3. Orey-Sentences of Extensions of Peano Arithmetic. In this subsection we treat Orey-sentences for extensions of PA. The results of Section 3.4 will extend these results, but it is nice to see the simple case first.

Let U be any consistent c.e. extension of Peano Arithmetic. An *Orey-sentence* of U is a sentence O , such that $U \triangleright (U + O)$ and $U \triangleright (U + \neg O)$. Clearly, an Orey sentence O of U is independent of U . We also note that the Orey property is extensional in the sense that it only depends on the theorems of the given theory.

Here is one way to construct an Orey-sentence for U . Let W_i be an enumeration of the axioms of U . We define $W_{i,n}$ as the theory axiomatised by the first n axioms enumerated in W_i . We define $\Delta_i \varphi := \exists x (\Box_{W_{i,x}} \varphi \wedge \Diamond_{W_{i,x}} \top)$. Here $\Box_{W_{i,x}}$ stands for provability in $W_{i,x}$ and \Diamond stands for $\neg \Box \neg$, so, $\Diamond_{W_{i,n}} \top$ arithmetizes the consistency of $W_{i,n}$. We write ∇ for $\neg \Delta \neg$. We find that Δ_i satisfies the modal laws of K. Moreover, we have the seriality axiom D, i.e. $\nabla_i \top$. Finally, we can prove $\nabla_i \varphi \triangleright_U \varphi$. See [6] or [27].

We find γ_i with $\text{PA} \vdash \gamma_i \leftrightarrow \neg \Delta_i \gamma_i$. We claim that γ_i is an Orey-sentence of U . We have, temporarily omitting the subscripts i and U :

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &\vdash \neg \Delta \gamma \\ &\vdash \nabla \neg \gamma \\ &\triangleright \neg \gamma \\ \neg \gamma &\vdash \Delta \gamma \\ &\vdash \nabla \gamma \\ &\triangleright \gamma \end{aligned}$$

Since, we have $\gamma \triangleright \neg \gamma$ and $\neg \gamma \triangleright \neg \gamma$, we find, using a disjunctive interpretation, $\top \triangleright \neg \gamma$. Similarly, we find $\top \triangleright \gamma$. Thus, γ_i is an Orey-sentence of U as promised.

REMARK 3.5. The Orey-sentences γ_i produced in our example are all known to be true. We can also use Δ_i to build U -internally a Henkin interpretation of U . This interpretation comes with a truth predicate H_i . The Liar sentence λ_i of H_i is also an Orey-sentence of U . However, in this case, it is unknown whether λ_i or $\neg \lambda_i$ is true.

We note that, in the real world, the Henkin construction just depends on the theorems of the given theory, not on the axiomatisation. It *does* depend on the chosen enumeration of sentences. Thus, as long as we keep the enumeration fixed, the truth-value of λ_i remains the same when we run through i that enumerates axiom sets of PA .

Let \mathbb{O} be the function that assigns to sets of sentences \mathcal{A} in the signature of arithmetic the Orey-sentences of the theory axiomatised by \mathcal{A} . Note that it is possible that there are no such Orey-sentences, so the empty set will be in the range of this function. We have shown:

THEOREM 3.6. *PA is effectively essentially \mathbb{O} -incomplete.*

Applying Corollary 3.3, we find:

THEOREM 3.7. *PA is effectively $\mathbb{O}(\text{PA})$ -inseparable and, thus, effectively essentially $\mathbb{O}(\text{PA})$ -incomplete.*

Theorem 3.7 illustrates the important insight that *independence*, per se, *has nothing to do with strength*. Of course, we are familiar with this point e.g. from the well-known results on, e.g., the continuum hypothesis which is an Orey-sentence of ZF that is independent of many extensions that have to do with strength. However, Theorem 3.7 has a somewhat different flavor in that it presents a systematic construction of such sentences for a wide range of theories.

3.4. Consistency and Conservativity. We say a formula $\alpha(x)$ is a *binumeration* of a theory U iff for any U -sentence φ , if $\varphi \in U$, then $U \vdash \alpha(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$; and if $\varphi \notin U$, then $U \vdash \neg \alpha(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$. For each binumeration $\alpha(x)$ of U , we can naturally construct a formula $\text{Prf}_\alpha(x, y)$ saying that y is the code of a proof of a formula with the code x in the theory defined by α (cf. [6]). Let Con_α be the consistency statement $\neg \exists y \text{Prf}_\alpha(\ulcorner \perp \urcorner, y)$ of U , where \perp is some U -refutable sentence. Let \mathbb{C} be the function that assigns to sets of sentences \mathcal{A} in the signature of arithmetic the set of all sentences of the form Con_α , where α is a binumeration of some computable axiomatisation of an extension A of PA axiomatised by \mathcal{A} . It is known that PA is effectively essentially \mathbb{C} -incomplete (cf. Lindström [10, Theorem 2.8]). Thus, PA is effectively $\mathbb{C}(\text{PA})$ -inseparable and effectively essentially $\mathbb{C}(\text{PA})$ -incomplete.

For each $n \geq 1$, let \mathbb{D}_n be the function that assigns to sets of sentences \mathcal{A} in the signature of arithmetic the set of all sentences φ such that φ and $\neg \varphi$ are both Π_n -conservative over the theory axiomatised by \mathcal{A} . It is well-known that for any consistent c.e. extension U of PA, $\mathbb{D}_1(U) = \mathbb{O}(U)$ (cf. [10, Theorem 6.6]). For every pair of functions \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} from sets of sentences to sets of sentences, let $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$ be the function defined by $(\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G})(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}) \cap \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{A})$.

For each binumeration α of an extension U of PA, the formula $\text{Prf}_\alpha^{\Sigma_n}(x, y)$ is defined as

$$\exists u \leq y (\Sigma_n(u) \wedge \text{true}_{\Sigma_n}(u) \wedge \text{Prf}_\alpha(u \dot{\rightarrow} x, y)).$$

Then, we have the following:

PROPOSITION 3.8 (The small reflection principle (cf. [10, Lemma 5.1(ii)]).
Let U be any computable extension of PA and α be a binumeration of U . Then, for any sentence φ and natural number m , we have

$$U \vdash \exists y < \underline{m} \text{Prf}_\alpha^{\Sigma_n}(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner, y) \rightarrow \varphi.$$

THEOREM 3.9. *For each $n \geq 1$, PA is effectively essentially $\mathbb{C} \cap \mathbb{D}_n$ -incomplete.*

PROOF. Suppose that W_i is a consistent c.e. extension of PA. By Craig's trick, we can effectively find a k from i such that W_k is a primitive computable axiomatisation of W_i . Let $\beta(x)$ be an effectively found primitive computable binumeration of W_k . We can effectively find a formula $\alpha(x)$ such that:

$$\text{PA} \vdash \alpha(x) \leftrightarrow \left((\beta(x) \vee \exists y < x \text{Prf}_\beta^{\Sigma_n}(\ulcorner \text{Con}_\alpha \urcorner, y)) \wedge \forall z < x \neg \text{Prf}_\beta^{\Sigma_n}(\ulcorner \neg \text{Con}_\alpha \urcorner, z) \right).$$

We show that Con_α is Π_n -conservative over W_k . Let π be any Π_n sentence such that $W_k \cup \{\text{Con}_\alpha\} \vdash \pi$. Then, $W_k \cup \{\neg \pi\} \vdash \neg \text{Con}_\alpha$. There exists a number q such that $\text{PA} \cup \{\neg \pi\} \vdash \text{Prf}_\beta^{\Sigma_n}(\ulcorner \neg \text{Con}_\alpha \urcorner, q)$. Thus, $\text{PA} \cup \{\neg \pi\} \vdash$

$\alpha(x) \rightarrow x \leq \underline{q}$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PA} \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \forall y < \underline{q} \neg \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, y) &\rightarrow \left(\alpha(x) \rightarrow (x \leq \underline{q} \wedge \right. \\ &\quad \left. \forall y < x \neg \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, y)) \right) \\ &\rightarrow (\alpha(x) \rightarrow (\beta(x) \wedge x \leq \underline{q})) \\ &\rightarrow (\text{Con}_{\beta \leq \underline{q}} \rightarrow \text{Con}_{\alpha}). \\ &\rightarrow \text{Con}_{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

The last step uses the fact that $\beta(x)$ is a binumeration of W_k in combination with the essential reflexivity of PA. By combining this with the small reflection principle, we obtain $W_k \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \text{Con}_{\alpha}$. Since $W_k \cup \{\text{Con}_{\alpha}\} \vdash \pi$, we conclude $W_k \vdash \pi$.

We show that $\neg \text{Con}_{\alpha}$ is also Π_n -conservative over W_k . Let π be any Π_n sentence such that $W_k \cup \{\neg \text{Con}_{\alpha}\} \vdash \pi$. Then, $W_k \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \text{Con}_{\alpha}$. There exists a number p such that $\text{PA} \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, p)$. For each $q > p$, we have $\text{PA} \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \exists y < \underline{q} \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, y)$. We obtain

$$\text{PA} \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \forall z < \underline{q} \neg \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \neg \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, z) \rightarrow \alpha(\underline{q}).$$

So, for a sufficiently large $q > p$, we have

$$\text{PA} \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \forall z < \underline{q} \neg \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \neg \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, z) \rightarrow \neg \text{Con}_{\alpha}.$$

By combining this with the small reflection principle, we have $W_k \cup \{\neg\pi\} \vdash \neg \text{Con}_{\alpha}$. Since $W_k \cup \{\neg \text{Con}_{\alpha}\} \vdash \pi$, we conclude $W_k \vdash \pi$.

We have proved that $\text{Con}_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{D}_n(W_i)$. Consequently, we have that Con_{α} is independent of W_i .

By Π_n -conservativity, we obtain that for each $m \in \omega$,

- $W_k \vdash \forall y < \underline{m} \neg \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, y)$ and
- $W_k \vdash \forall z < \underline{m} \neg \text{Prf}_{\beta}^{\Sigma_n}(\Gamma \neg \text{Con}_{\alpha} \neg, z)$.

Hence, we have $W_k \vdash \alpha(\underline{m}) \leftrightarrow \beta(\underline{m})$. This means that $\alpha(x)$ is also a binumeration of W_k , and, thus, $\text{Con}_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{C}(W_i)$. We take $\Phi(i) := \text{Con}_{\alpha}$. Then, Φ witnesses the effective essential $\mathbb{C} \cap \mathbb{D}_n$ -incompleteness of PA. \dashv

COROLLARY 3.10. *PA is effectively $(\mathbb{C} \cap \mathbb{D}_n)(\text{PA})$ -inseparable and effectively essentially $(\mathbb{C} \cap \mathbb{D}_n)(\text{PA})$ -incomplete.*

§4. Effective ef-essential Incompleteness. Effective forms of incompleteness employ presentations of the extensions considered. This is necessitated by the fact that our witnessing partial computable functions need finite objects to operate on. In the finite case, we do have an alternative available to presenting an extension by a c.e. index. We can simply specify the sentence we extend with. In this section, we study this

notion of effective incompleteness for finite extensions and a variant. We consider the relation of these two notions to if-essential incompleteness.

DEFINITION 4.1. Consider a c.e. theory U . We define:

- U is *effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete* iff there exists a computable function Φ , such that, for any sentence φ , if $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is consistent, then $\Phi(\varphi)$ is independent of $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ and $\Phi(\varphi) \in \mathcal{F}(U \cup \{\varphi\})$.
- U is *effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ* iff N is an interpretation of \mathbf{R} in U and, for any sentence φ , if $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is consistent, then $\xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$ is independent of $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ and $\xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner) \in \mathcal{F}(U \cup \{\varphi\})$. Here the numerals are the numerals provided by N . To avoid heavy notation, we pretend that N is one-dimensional. Of course, this is inessential.

The notion of effective ef-essential incompleteness was studied by Jones [7] as the name *effective nonfinite completability*. We have the following simple insight.

THEOREM 4.2. *Every effectively if-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete theory is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{F} -incomplete.*

PROOF. This is immediate seeing that, given φ , we can effectively find an index of $U \cup \{\varphi\}$. ◻

However, an effectively ef-essentially incomplete theory can be decidable as we show in the following example. So, the converse of Theorem 4.2 does not generally hold.

EXAMPLE 4.3. We consider the theory Succ° in the language of zero and successor. The theory is axiomatised by: zero is not a successor; successor is injective; every number is either zero or a successor; for every n , there is at most one successor-cycle of size n .

One can show that Succ° is decidable and that every sentence is equivalent to a Boolean combination of sentences C_n saying ‘there is a cycle of size n ’. See, e.g., [12, Appendix A]. We note that, over Succ° , the C_n are mutually independent.

Let φ be any Succ° -sentence. We can effectively find a sentence ψ , equivalent to φ , which is a Boolean combination of the C_n . Let k be the smallest number so that C_k does not occur in ψ . We set $\Phi(\varphi) := C_k$. It is easily seen that Φ witnesses the effective ef-essential incompleteness of Succ° .

We can say more about the difference of the two notions. The following two theorems reveal an intrinsic difference between *if-* and *ef-*.

THEOREM 4.4. *Suppose \mathcal{X} is c.e. and Φ is a partial computable witness that U is an effectively if-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete c.e. theory. Then, we*

can find, effectively from an index of Φ , a $\varphi \in \mathcal{X}$, such that $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is inconsistent. In particular, $U_{\mathfrak{p}} \cup \mathcal{X}$ is not mono-consistent.

PROOF. By the Recursion Theorem, we find an i such that

$$W_i = \begin{cases} U \cup \{\Phi(i)\} & \text{if } \Phi(i) \text{ converges and } \Phi(i) \in \mathcal{X}, \\ U & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If the second clause would obtain, W_i would be a consistent if-extension of U . So, $\Phi(i)$ would converge to an element of \mathcal{X} . *Quod non*. Thus, only the first clause can be active. Hence, $\Phi(i)$ converges to an element φ of \mathcal{X} . Then, $W_i = U \cup \{\varphi\}$ and $W_i \vdash \Phi(i)$. By the effective if-essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness of U , we have that $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is inconsistent. \dashv

THEOREM 4.5. *Suppose U is a consistent effectively ef-essentially incomplete c.e. theory. Then, there is a c.e. set \mathcal{X} such that U is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete and every φ in \mathcal{X} is consistent with U , i.o.w., $U_{\mathfrak{p}} \cup \mathcal{X}$ is mono-consistent.*

PROOF. Suppose U is effectively ef-essentially incomplete as witnessed by Φ . We take:

$$\Psi(\varphi) := \begin{cases} (\varphi \rightarrow \Phi(\varphi)) & \text{if } \Phi(\varphi) \text{ converges,} \\ \text{undefined} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let \mathcal{X} be the range of Ψ .

If φ is inconsistent with U and $\Phi(\varphi)$ converges, then $U \vdash \varphi \rightarrow \Phi(\varphi)$ and, thus, $\Psi(\varphi)$ is consistent with U . If φ is consistent with U , then $\Phi(\varphi)$ converges and $\Phi(\varphi)$ is independent of $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ and, *a fortiori*, consistent with U . \dashv

Combining Theorems 4.4 and 4.5, we immediately find the following corollary:

COROLLARY 4.6. *Suppose U is a consistent effectively ef-essentially incomplete c.e. theory. Then, there is a c.e. set \mathcal{X} such that U is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete but not effectively if-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete.*

The next theorem gives a condition under which effective ef-essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness w.r.t. some N and ξ implies effective essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness.

THEOREM 4.7. *Let U be a consistent c.e. theory and suppose U is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ . Then, U is effectively essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete via a witnessing function Φ , where $\Phi(i)$ is of the form $\xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$.*

PROOF. We assume the conditions of the theorem. Suppose that W_i is a consistent extension of U . We construct formulas γ_0 and γ_1 with some desired properties as follows. Our construction is an adaptation of a solution to [10, Exercise 3.4].

- Stage 1. We start with Σ_1 -formulas α_0 and α_1 , where α_0 represents W_{ip} and α_1 represents W_{it} . We arrange it so that the α_i start with a single existential quantifier followed by a Δ_0 -formula.
- Stage 2. Let $\beta_0 := \alpha_0 \leq \alpha_1$ and $\beta_1 := \alpha_1 < \alpha_0$. We note that the β_i represent the same sets as the α_i . Moreover, if $n \in W_{ip}$, then $\beta_0(\underline{n})$ is true, and, hence $R \vdash \beta_0(\underline{n}) \wedge \neg \beta_1(\underline{n})$. Also, if $n \in W_{it}$, then $R \vdash \beta_1(\underline{n}) \wedge \neg \beta_0(\underline{n})$.
- Stage 3. Let $\eta(x)$ be a Σ_1 -formula with one existential quantifier followed by a Δ_0 -formula that is equivalent in predicate logic with $(\beta_0(x) \vee \beta_1(x))$. By the Fixed Point Lemma, we find a ρ , such that, for every n , we have $R \vdash \rho(\underline{n}) \leftrightarrow \eta(\underline{n}) \leq \alpha_0(\ulcorner \rho^N(\underline{n}) \urcorner)$. By the reasoning of the FGH Theorem (see, e.g., [24, Section 3] or [8]), we have: $W_i \vdash \rho^N(\underline{n})$ iff $\rho(\underline{n})$ is true iff $n \in W_{ip} \cup W_{it}$. We define $\gamma_i(x) := (\beta_i(x) \wedge \rho(x))$. We find:
- A. The γ_0 and γ_1 represent W_{ip} and W_{it} , respectively.
 - B. If $W_i \vdash (\gamma_0(\underline{n}) \vee \gamma_1(\underline{n}))^N$, then $n \in W_{ip} \cup W_{it}$.
 - C. If $n \in W_{ip}$, then $R \vdash \gamma_0(\underline{n}) \wedge \neg \gamma_1(\underline{n})$.
 - D. If $n \in W_{it}$, then $R \vdash \gamma_1(\underline{n}) \wedge \neg \gamma_0(\underline{n})$.

We can effectively find a sentence σ from i satisfying the following equivalence:

$$U \vdash \sigma \leftrightarrow \left((\gamma_0(\ulcorner \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \urcorner))^N \rightarrow \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \right) \wedge \left(\gamma_1(\ulcorner \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \urcorner))^N \rightarrow \neg \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \right).$$

Suppose, towards a contradiction, that $\xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \in W_{ip} \cup W_{it}$.

- Suppose $\xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \in W_{ip}$. Then, by (C), we obtain $U \vdash \sigma \leftrightarrow \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$. Since $U \cup \{\sigma\} \vdash \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$, we have that $U \cup \{\sigma\}$ is inconsistent because U is ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ . Thus, $U \vdash \neg \sigma$, and, hence, $U \vdash \neg \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$. This contradicts the consistency of W_i .
- Suppose $\xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \in W_{it}$. Then, by (D), we obtain $U \vdash \sigma \leftrightarrow \neg \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$. Since $U \cup \{\sigma\} \vdash \neg \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$, we have that $U \cup \{\sigma\}$ is inconsistent. Thus, $U \vdash \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$. This contradicts the consistency of W_i .

We have shown that $\xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$ is independent of W_i . By (B), we find that $U \not\vdash (\gamma_0(\ulcorner \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \urcorner) \vee \gamma_1(\ulcorner \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \urcorner))^N$. Since

$$U \vdash \neg \sigma \rightarrow (\gamma_0(\ulcorner \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \urcorner) \vee \gamma_1(\ulcorner \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \urcorner))^N,$$

we have that $U \cup \{\sigma\}$ is consistent. Hence, $\xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner) \in \mathcal{X}$. We take $\Phi(i) := \xi(\ulcorner \sigma \urcorner)$. Thus, Φ witnesses the effective essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness of U . ⊥

We show that the converse of Theorem 4.7 does not generally hold. For this, as compared with Corollary 3.2, we prove the following proposition stating that the notion of effective ef-essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness w.r.t. N and ξ is not equivalent to the one obtained by replacing \mathcal{X} with $[\mathcal{X}]_U$.

PROPOSITION 4.8. *If U is effectively ef-essentially incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ , then there exists a computable set \mathcal{X} of formulas such that U is effectively ef-essentially $[\mathcal{X}]_U$ -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ , but U is not effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete w.r.t. N and η for all η .*

PROOF. Suppose that U is effectively ef-essentially incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ . Let \mathcal{X} be the computable set defined by

$$\mathcal{X} := \{\xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^{\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner} (0 = 0)^N \mid \varphi \text{ is a } U\text{-sentence}\}.$$

Since each $\xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$ is U -provably equivalent to some element of \mathcal{X} , we have that U is effectively ef-essentially $[\mathcal{X}]_U$ -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ . On the other hand, since there are unboundedly many U -sentences φ in the sense of Gödel numbers such that $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is consistent, it is shown that there is no single formula η such that U is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete w.r.t. N and η . ⊣

REMARK 4.9. Suppose U is a c.e. theory that interprets \mathbf{R} via N . Then, we can find a ρ such that U is essentially ef-incomplete w.r.t. N and ρ . This is a variant of Rosser’s Theorem. It follows, by Theorem 4.7, that U is effectively if-essentially incomplete. Moreover, this can be relativised to \mathcal{X} , for any \mathcal{X} that contains all the $\rho(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$ ’s. From the results presented in this section, we have the following observations.

- By Theorem 4.4, we can effectively find a σ , such that $U \cup \{\rho(\sigma)\}$ is inconsistent.
- By Corollary 4.6, we can find a c.e. set \mathcal{Y} , such that U is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{Y} -incomplete, but not effectively if-essentially \mathcal{Y} -incomplete.
- Finally, by Theorem 4.8, we can find a computable \mathcal{Z} such that U is effectively ef-essentially $[\mathcal{Z}]_U$ -incomplete w.r.t. N and ρ , but not effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{Z} -incomplete w.r.t. N and η for all η . By Theorem 4.7, U is effectively if-essentially $[\mathcal{Z}]_U$ -incomplete, and so by Corollary 3.2, we find that U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{Z} -incomplete.

We provide some versions of the converses of Theorems 4.2 and 4.7 when U and \mathcal{X} satisfy a certain condition.

THEOREM 4.10. *Let U be a consistent c.e. theory and let N be an interpretation of \mathbf{R} in U . Let \mathcal{X} be a c.e. set of sentences. Suppose that we have a U -formula \mathbf{true} such that $U \vdash \mathbf{true}(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner) \leftrightarrow \varphi$, for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{X}$. Then, the following are equivalent:*

- a. *U is effectively ef-essentially $[\mathcal{X}]_U$ -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ for some ξ .*
- b. *U is effectively if-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete.*
- c. *U is effectively ef-essentially \mathcal{X} -incomplete.*

PROOF. “(a) to (b)”. This follows from Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 3.2.

“(b) to (c)”. By Theorem 4.2.

“(c) to (a)”. Let Φ witness the effective ef-essential \mathcal{X} -incompleteness of U . By the representability theorem, we find a formula $G_\Phi(x, y)$ representing Φ in R . Define

$$\xi(x) := \exists y \in \delta_N (G_\Phi^N(x, y) \wedge \text{true}(y)).$$

We show that U is effectively ef-essentially $[\mathcal{X}]_U$ -incomplete w.r.t. N and ξ . Suppose that $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ is consistent and, thus, $\Phi(\varphi) \in \mathcal{X}$ and $\Phi(\varphi)$ is independent of $U \cup \{\varphi\}$. We get:

$$\begin{aligned} U \vdash \xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner) &\leftrightarrow \exists y \in \delta_N (G_\Phi^N(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner, y) \wedge \text{true}(y)) \\ &\leftrightarrow \text{true}(\ulcorner \Phi(\varphi) \urcorner) \\ &\leftrightarrow \Phi(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$ is also independent of $U \cup \{\varphi\}$ and we find $\xi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner) \in [\mathcal{X}]_U$. \dashv

REMARK 4.11. One might wonder whether there is an infinitary version for the ef-notions. It seems that this will be non-trivial to attain. The reason is that we can use Craig’s trick to transform every index i effectively to an index i^* , so that $(U + W_i)_p = (U + W_{i^*})_p$ and W_{i^*} is computable. We can even make W_{i^*} p-time decidable. In case U is a pair theory, we can even make W_{i^*} a scheme. See [23] or [25]. So, we would have to look for some really different notion of extension.

§5. Heredity. In this section, we study what happens when we consider effective notions combined with hereditariness. Our main insight here is that an adapted version of Pour-El’s result also holds in this case.

DEFINITION 5.1. A consistent c.e. theory U is *effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative* iff there exists a partial computable function Φ such that for any $i, j, k \in \omega$, if W_k is a consistent extension of U , W_i is a subtheory of W_k , and $W_{ip} \cap W_j = \emptyset$, then $\Phi(i, j, k)$ converges, $\Phi(i, j, k) \in \mathcal{X}$, and $\Phi(i, j, k) \notin W_{ip} \cup W_j$.

LEMMA 5.2. *For any consistent c.e. theory U , the following are equivalent:*

- i. U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative.
- ii. There exists a partial computable function Ψ such that for any $i, j \in \omega$, if W_i is a theory consistent with U and $W_{ip} \cap W_j = \emptyset$, then $\Psi(i, j)$ converges, $\Psi(i, j) \in \mathcal{X}$, and $\Psi(i, j) \notin W_{ip} \cup W_j$.

PROOF. “(i) to (ii)”. Let $\Phi(i, j, k)$ be a partial computable function witnessing the effective essential hereditary creativity of U . We define a partial computable function Ψ by $\Psi(i, j) := \Phi(i, j, k)$, where k is an

effectively found index of $(U \cup W_i)_p$. It is easy to see that Ψ witnesses condition (ii).

“(ii) to (i)”. Let Ψ be a partial computable function that witnesses condition (ii). We define a partial computable function Φ by $\Phi(i, j, k) := \Psi(i, j)$ for all k . It is easy to see that Φ witnesses the effective essential hereditary \mathcal{X} -creativity of U . \dashv

THEOREM 5.3. *For any consistent c.e. theory U and set \mathcal{X} of sentences, the following are equivalent:*

- a. U is strongly effectively \mathcal{X} -inseparable.
- b. U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative.

PROOF. “(a) to (b)”. Let Φ be a partial computable function that witnesses the strong effective \mathcal{X} -inseparability of U . Suppose that $U \cup W_i$ is consistent and $W_{ip} \cap W_j = \emptyset$. we can effectively find numbers k_0 and k_1 from i and j such that $W_{k_0} = W_{ip}$ and $W_{k_1} = U_\tau \cup W_j$. Clearly, W_{k_0} and W_{k_1} biseperate 0_{U_p} and U_τ . By strong effective \mathcal{X} -inseparability, $\Phi(k_0, k_1)$ converges, $\Phi(k_0, k_1) \in \mathcal{X}$, and $\Phi(k_0, k_1) \notin W_{k_0} \cup W_{k_1}$. We take $\Psi(i, j) := \Phi(k_0, k_1)$. Then, Ψ satisfies Condition (ii) of Lemma 5.2, and, hence, U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative.

“(b) to (a)”. Suppose that U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative. Let Ψ be a partial computable function that witnesses Condition (ii) of Lemma 5.2. Suppose that W_i and W_j biseperate 0_{U_p} and U_τ . By the Double Recursion Theorem with parameters (cf. [19, Exercise 3.15.(b)]), we can effectively find numbers k_0 and k_1 from i and j such that

- $W_{k_0} = \begin{cases} \{\varphi\} & \text{if } \Psi(k_0, k_1) \simeq \varphi \text{ and } \varphi \in W_i, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- $W_{k_1} = \begin{cases} \{\neg\varphi\}_\tau & \text{if } \Psi(k_0, k_1) \simeq \varphi \text{ and } \varphi \in W_j, \\ 0_{U_\tau} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Suppose, towards a contradiction, that $\Psi(k_0, k_1) \simeq \varphi$ and $\varphi \in W_i \cup W_j$.

- If $\varphi \in W_i$, then $W_{k_0} = \{\varphi\}$ and $W_{k_1} = 0_{U_\tau}$. Since $W_i \cap U_\tau = \emptyset$, we have $\varphi \notin U_\tau$, and hence $U \cup W_{k_0}$ is consistent. If $\xi \in W_{k_0p} \cap W_{k_1}$ for some ξ , then $\varphi \vdash \xi$ and $0_U \vdash \neg\xi$. This contradicts $\varphi \notin U_\tau$. Hence, $W_{k_0p} \cap W_{k_1} = \emptyset$, so we obtain $\varphi = \Psi(k_0, k_1) \notin W_{k_0p} \cup W_{k_1}$. This contradicts $\varphi \in W_{k_0p}$.
- If $\varphi \in W_j$, then $W_{k_0} = \emptyset$ and $W_{k_1} = \{\neg\varphi\}_\tau$. If $\xi \in W_{k_0p} \cap W_{k_1}$ for some ξ , then $0_U \vdash \xi$ and $\neg\varphi \vdash \neg\xi$. We obtain $\varphi \in 0_{U_p}$, and this contradicts $W_j \cap 0_{U_p} = \emptyset$. Thus, we have $W_{k_0p} \cap W_{k_1} = \emptyset$. Since $U \cup W_{k_0} = U$ is consistent, we obtain $\varphi \notin W_{k_0p} \cup W_{k_1}$. This contradicts $\varphi \in W_{k_1}$.

We have shown $W_{k_0} = \emptyset$ and $W_{k_1} = 0_{U_\tau}$. Since $U \cup W_{k_0}$ is consistent and $W_{k_0p} \cap W_{k_1} = \emptyset$, we obtain that $\Psi(k_0, k_1)$ converges and $\Psi(k_0, k_1) \in \mathcal{X}$.

We have also shown $\Psi(k_0, k_1) \notin W_i \cup W_j$. We take $\Phi(i, j) := \Psi(k_0, k_1)$. Thus, Φ witnesses the strong effective \mathcal{X} -inseparability of U . \dashv

We note that the proof in the (b) to (a) direction only employs finitely axiomatised theories.

We also study an adapted version of the result established in Subsection 3.2. We say that a theory U is *strongly doubly \mathcal{X} -generative* iff there exists a total computable function Φ such that for any $i, j \in \omega$, if $W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$, then

- $\Phi(i, j) \in 0_{U_p}$ iff $\Phi(i, j) \in W_j$,
- $\Phi(i, j) \in U_\tau$ iff $\Phi(i, j) \in W_i$,
- if $\Phi(i, j) \notin W_i \cup W_j$, then $\Phi(i, j) \in \mathcal{X}$.

THEOREM 5.4. *For any consistent c.e. theory U , the following are equivalent:*

- a. U is strongly doubly \mathcal{X} -generative.
- b. U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative.

PROOF. “(a) to (b)”. Suppose that a total computable function Φ witnesses the strong double \mathcal{X} -generativity of U . Suppose that W_i is a theory consistent with U and $W_{ip} \cap W_j = \emptyset$. We can effectively find k from i such that $W_k = W_{ip}$. Since $W_k \cap W_j = \emptyset$, we have that $\Phi(k, j) \in 0_{U_p}$ iff $\Phi(k, j) \in W_j$; and $\Phi(k, j) \in U_\tau$ iff $\Phi(k, j) \in W_{ip}$. Since $0_{U_p} \cap W_j = U_\tau \cap W_{ip} = \emptyset$, we obtain $\Phi(k, j) \notin W_{ip} \cup W_j$ and $\Phi(k, j) \in \mathcal{X}$. We take $\Psi(i, j) := \Phi(k, j)$. Thus, Ψ satisfies Condition (ii) of Lemma 5.2. So, U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative.

“(b) to (a)”. Suppose that U is effectively essentially hereditarily \mathcal{X} -creative. Let Ψ be a partial computable function that witnesses Condition (ii) of Lemma 5.2. We may assume that Ψ is a total function. By the Recursion Theorem with parameters, there exist total computable functions Θ_0 and Θ_1 such that, setting $\Phi^*(x, y) := \Psi(\Theta_0(x, y), \Theta_1(x, y))$, we have:

$$W_{\Theta_0(x,y)} = \begin{cases} \{\Phi^*(x, y)\} & \text{if } (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (0_{U_p} \cup W_x)) \leq (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (U_\tau \cup W_y)), \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$W_{\Theta_1(x,y)} = \begin{cases} \{\neg \Phi^*(x, y)\}_\tau & \text{if } (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (U_\tau \cup W_y)) < (\Phi^*(x, y) \in (0_{U_p} \cup W_x)), \\ 0_{U_\tau} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We show that Φ^* witnesses the strong double \mathcal{X} -generativity of U . Let i and j be such that $W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$. We set $\varphi^* := \Phi^*(i, j)$.

- Suppose $(\varphi^* \in (0_{U_p} \cup W_i)) \leq (\varphi^* \in (U_\tau \cup W_j))$ holds. Then, $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)} = \{\varphi^*\}$ and $W_{\Theta_1(i,j)} = 0_{U_\tau}$. Since,

$$\Psi(\Theta_0(i, j), \Theta_1(i, j)) = \varphi^* \in W_{\Theta_0(i,j)_p} \subseteq W_{\Theta_0(i,j)_p} \cup W_{\Theta_1(i,j)},$$

by Condition (ii) of Lemma 5.2, we have that (I) $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)}$ is inconsistent with U or (II) $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)_p} \cap W_{\Theta_1(i,j)} \neq \emptyset$. If (I) holds, then

$\varphi^* \in U_\tau$. If (II) holds, then $\varphi^* \vdash \xi$ and $0_U \vdash \neg \xi$, for some ξ , and hence $\varphi^* \in 0_{U_\tau} \subseteq U_\tau$. Therefore, in either case, $\varphi^* \in U_\tau$. Since, $0_{U_p} \cap U_\tau = W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$ and $\varphi^* \in W_i \cup 0_{U_p}$, we obtain $\varphi^* \notin 0_{U_p} \cup W_j$ and $\varphi^* \in U_\tau \cap W_i$.

- Suppose $(\varphi^* \in (U_\tau \cup W_j)) < (\varphi^* \in (0_{U_p} \cup W_i))$ holds. Then, $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)} = \emptyset$ and $W_{\Theta_1(i,j)} = \{\neg \varphi^*\}_\tau$. Since $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)}$ is consistent with U and

$$\Psi(\Theta_0(i,j), \Theta_1(i,j)) = \varphi^* \in W_{\Theta_1(i,j)} \subseteq W_{\Theta_0(i,j)_p} \cup W_{\Theta_1(i,j)},$$

by Condition (ii) of Lemma 5.2, we have that $\xi \in W_{\Theta_0(i,j)_p} \cap W_{\Theta_1(i,j)}$ for some ξ . Then $0_U \vdash \xi$ and $\neg \varphi^* \vdash \neg \xi$, and hence $\varphi^* \in 0_{U_p}$. Since, $0_{U_p} \cap U_\tau = W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$ and $\varphi^* \in U_\tau \cup W_j$, we obtain $\varphi^* \in 0_{U_p} \cap W_j$ and $\varphi^* \notin U_\tau \cup W_i$.

- Otherwise, $\varphi^* \notin 0_{U_p} \cup W_j$ and $\varphi^* \notin U_\tau \cup W_i$. In this case, $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)} = \emptyset$ and $W_{\Theta_1(i,j)} = 0_{U_\tau}$. Since $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)}$ is consistent with U and $W_{\Theta_0(i,j)_p} \cap W_{\Theta_1(i,j)} = \emptyset$, we obtain $\varphi^* = \Psi(\Theta_0(i,j), \Theta_1(i,j)) \in \mathcal{X}$.

Thus, Φ^* witnesses the strong double \mathcal{X} -generativity of U . ◻

We prove a closure property for strong effective inseparability. For a theory U and formula classes \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} , we write:

- $\mathcal{X} \wedge \mathcal{Y}$ for $\{(\varphi \wedge \psi) \mid \varphi \in \mathcal{X} \text{ and } \psi \in \mathcal{Y}\}$.
- $U \prec \mathcal{X}$ iff, for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{X}$, we have $\varphi \vdash U$.

THEOREM 5.5. *Suppose $U \prec \mathcal{X}$. Suppose further that U is \mathcal{X} -creative and effectively \mathcal{Y} -inseparable. Then, U is strongly effectively $\mathcal{X} \wedge \mathcal{Y}$ -inseparable.*

PROOF. Suppose $U \prec \mathcal{X}$. Let U be \mathcal{X} -creative and effectively \mathcal{Y} -inseparable. Suppose W_i and W_j bi-separate U_p and 0_{U_τ} .

Let $\mathcal{W} := \{\psi \mid \exists \varphi \in W_j \ U \cup \{\psi\} \vdash \varphi\}$. Suppose $\psi \in U_p \cap \mathcal{W}$. Then, for some $\varphi \in W_j$, we have $U \cup \{\psi\} \vdash \varphi$ and $U \vdash \psi$. So, $U \vdash \varphi$. *Quod non.* By \mathcal{X} -creativity, we can effectively find a $\varphi^* \in \mathcal{X}$ such that $\varphi^* \notin U_p \cup \mathcal{W}$. We claim that $(\dagger) \ \{\varphi^*\}_p \cap W_j = \emptyset$. If not, $\varphi^* \vdash \chi$, for some $\chi \in W_j$. So, *a fortiori*, $\varphi^* \in \mathcal{W}$. *Quod non.*

Let $W_{i^*} := \{\psi \mid (\varphi^* \wedge \psi) \in W_i\} \cup \{\varphi^*\}_p$ and $W_{j^*} := \{\psi \mid (\varphi^* \wedge \psi) \in W_j\}$. Suppose $\psi \in W_{i^*} \cap W_{j^*}$. Then $\varphi^* \vdash \psi$ and $(\varphi^* \wedge \psi) \in W_j$. It follows that $(\varphi^* \wedge \psi) \in \{\varphi^*\}_p \cap W_j$. *Quod non*, by (\dagger) . Since $\varphi^* \in \mathcal{X}$, we find that $U_p \subseteq \{\varphi^*\}_p \subseteq W_{i^*}$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi \in U_\tau &\Rightarrow \varphi^* \vdash \neg \varphi \\ &\Rightarrow 0_U \vdash \neg(\varphi^* \wedge \varphi) \\ &\Rightarrow (\varphi^* \wedge \varphi) \in 0_{U_\tau} \\ &\Rightarrow (\varphi^* \wedge \varphi) \in W_j \\ &\Rightarrow \varphi \in W_{j^*} \end{aligned}$$

So $U_{\tau} \subseteq W_{j^*}$.

We can effectively find a $\psi^* \in \mathcal{Y}$, such that $\psi^* \notin W_{i^*} \cup W_{j^*}$. So, $(\varphi^* \wedge \psi^*) \notin W_i \cup W_j$ and $(\varphi^* \wedge \psi^*) \in \mathcal{X} \wedge \mathcal{Y}$. \dashv

EXAMPLE 5.6. The strong effective inseparability of the theory R was proved by Vaught [22, 5.2]. In [9, Theorem 2.4], the authors provided new proofs of this fact. Here, we give a proof of this fact in terms of Theorem 5.5, based on the method developed in [9]. In [9, Generalised Certified Extension Theorem], it is proved that for any Σ_1 -sentence σ , we can effectively find a sentence $[\sigma]$ satisfying the following conditions:

- i. $[\sigma] \vdash \sigma$,
- ii. if σ is true, then $R \vdash [\sigma]$,
- iii. if σ is false, then $[\sigma] \vdash R$.

Let $\mathcal{X} = \{\varphi \mid \varphi \vdash R\}$, then $R \prec \mathcal{X}$. Since R is not finitely axiomatisable, we have $R_p \cap \mathcal{X} = \emptyset$. We show that R is \mathcal{X} -creative. Let W_i be any c.e. set disjoint from R_p . From i , we effectively find a Σ_1 sentence ρ satisfying

$$R \vdash \rho \leftrightarrow [\rho] \in W_i.$$

If ρ were true, then $[\rho] \in W_i$. Also by (ii), $[\rho] \in R_p$, a contradiction. Thus, ρ is false, which implies $[\rho] \notin W_i$. By (iii), we get $[\rho] \vdash R$, and so we find $[\rho] \in \mathcal{X}$. Since $R_p \cap \mathcal{X} = \emptyset$, we also have $[\rho] \notin R_p$. Then, the partial computable function Φ defined by $\Phi(i) := [\sigma]$ witnesses the \mathcal{X} -creativity of R .

Since R is effectively sent-inseparable, by Theorem 5.5, we have that R is strongly effectively $(\mathcal{X} \wedge \text{sent})$ -inseparable.

It is known that there exists a consistent c.e. theory which is effectively inseparable but is not essentially hereditarily undecidable ([28, Example 6]). Relating to this example, we propose the following problem.

PROBLEM 5.7. For any effectively inseparable consistent c.e. theory U , can we find a formula class \mathcal{X} such that U is effectively \mathcal{X} -inseparable but not strongly effectively \mathcal{X} -inseparable?

The relationships between effective notions we have considered so far are visualised in Figure 2.

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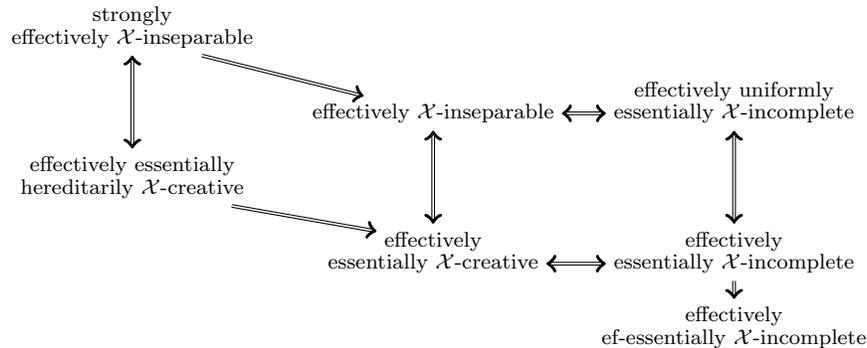


FIGURE 2. Implications between effective notions

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Appendix A. Pour-El's Original Proof. For the sake of completeness, we reproduce Pour-El's original argument here. Where our argument in Section 3.1, is a direct diagonal argument, Pour-El's argument proceeds by embedding disjoint pairs of c.e. sets in the given theory.

We say that $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle \leq_s \langle \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W} \rangle$, or $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$ is *semi-reducible* to $\langle \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W} \rangle$, iff there is a computable Φ such that, for all n , if $n \in \mathcal{X}$, then $\Phi(n) \in \mathcal{Z}$, and, if $n \in \mathcal{Y}$, then $\Phi(n) \in \mathcal{W}$. (As far as we can trace it, this notion is due to Smullyan (cf. [15, 18, 2].))

LEMMA A.1. *Suppose U is effectively if-essentially incomplete as witnessed by a partial computable function Φ . Let \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} be disjoint c.e. sets. Then $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle \leq_s \langle U_p, U_r \rangle$. An index of a witness for the semi-reducibility can be effectively obtained from an index of Φ and the indices of \mathcal{X} , and \mathcal{Y} .*

The argument is an adaptation of Smullyan's argument that every disjoint pair of c.e. sets is 1-reducible to any given effectively inseparable pair. See [13, Exercise 11.29] or [20, Exercise 2.4.18]. We work with semi-reducibility rather than one-one reducibility to keep the argument as simple as possible.

PROOF. We may assume that $\Phi(i)$ converges if W_i is an inconsistent theory. By the Recursion Theorem with a parameter, there exists a total computable function $\Psi(x)$ such that, setting $\Phi^*(x) := \Phi(\Psi(x))$,

$$W_{\Psi(x)} = \begin{cases} U \cup \{\Phi^*(x)\} & \text{if } \Phi^*(x) \text{ converges and } x \in \mathcal{Y}, \\ U \cup \{\neg\Phi^*(x)\} & \text{if } \Phi^*(x) \text{ converges and } x \in \mathcal{X}, \\ U & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We show that Φ^* witnesses the semi-reducibility of $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$ to $\langle U_p, U_r \rangle$.

For any n , $W_{\Psi(n)}$ is either a finite consistent extension of U or an inconsistent theory, and so $\Phi^*(n) = \Phi(\Psi(n))$ converges. Thus, Φ^* is a total computable function.

Suppose $n \in \mathcal{X}$. Then, $W_{\Psi(n)} = U \cup \{\neg\Phi^*(n)\}$. Since, $W_{\Psi(n)} \vdash \neg\Phi(\Psi(n))$, we find, by our assumption on Φ , that $W_{\Psi(n)}$ is inconsistent. It follows that $U \vdash \Phi^*(n)$.

The other case is similar. ⊢

LEMMA A.2 (Smullyan [15, Proposition 1]). *Suppose $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$ is effectively inseparable and $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle \leq_s \langle \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W} \rangle$. Then, $\langle \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W} \rangle$ is effectively inseparable.*

PROOF. Suppose Θ witnesses the effective inseparability of \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} . Suppose further that Ψ witnesses the semi-reducibility of $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$ to $\langle \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W} \rangle$.

Suppose the pair $\langle \mathcal{Z}', \mathcal{W}' \rangle$ separates $\langle \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{W} \rangle$. Say, the indices of \mathcal{Z}' and \mathcal{W}' are i and j . Let $\mathcal{X}' := \{n \mid \Psi(n) \in \mathcal{Z}'\}$ and $\mathcal{Y}' := \{m \mid \Psi(m) \in \mathcal{W}'\}$. Clearly, $\langle \mathcal{X}', \mathcal{Y}' \rangle$ separates $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$.

We can effectively find indices k and ℓ for \mathcal{X}' and \mathcal{Y}' from i and j . Let $s := \Psi(\Theta(k, \ell))$. Suppose $s \in \mathcal{Z}'$. In that case $\Theta(k, \ell)$ is in \mathcal{X}' . *Quod non.* Similarly, $s \notin \mathcal{W}'$. ⊢

THEOREM A.3. *Suppose U is effectively if-essentially incomplete. Then, U is effectively inseparable.*

PROOF. Suppose U is essentially if-effectively incomplete. Let $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$ be any effectively inseparable pair of sets. We find, by Lemma A.1, that $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle \leq_s \langle U_p, U_r \rangle$. So, by Lemma A.2, also $\langle U_p, U_r \rangle$ will be effectively inseparable. ⊢

Inspecting our argument, we see that, if Φ is a witness of the effective essential incompleteness, then the witnesses of essential inseparability are in the range of Φ .

REMARK A.4. The function Φ^* of the proof of Lemma A.1 is actually a witness of many-one reducibility. We can see the other direction as follows.

Let Φ^* be as in the proof of Lemma A.1. If $U \vdash \Phi^*(n)$, then, *a fortiori*, $W_{\Psi(n)} \vdash \Phi(\Psi(n))$ and, thus, that $W_{\Psi(n)}$ is inconsistent. It follows that

$n \in \mathcal{X}$ or $n \in \mathcal{Y}$, since otherwise $W_{\Psi(n)}$ would be the supposedly consistent theory U . But if $n \in \mathcal{Y}$, we find that $U \vdash \neg \Phi^*(n)$, *quod non*, since we assumed that $U \vdash \Phi^*(n)$ and that U is consistent. So $n \in \mathcal{X}$. The other case is similar.

By padding we can assure that Φ^* is injective, thus witnessing one-one reducibility. However, this construction will not preserve the fact that the range of Φ^* is contained in the range of Φ . (It still will be so modulo provable equivalence in predicate logic.)

Appendix B. Effective Local Interpretability? All formulations of *what effective local interpretability is* that we could think of either collapse to ordinary local interpretability or to interpretability. Let id_V denote the conjunction of the equality axioms of a theory V . We define:

- $U \triangleright_{\text{A-loc}} V$ iff there is a partial computable Φ , such that, whenever $V \vdash \varphi$, we have $\Phi(\varphi)$ converges, say to τ , and $U \vdash (\text{id}_V \wedge \varphi)^\tau$.
- $U \triangleright_{\text{B-loc}} V$ iff there is a partial computable Ψ , such that, whenever $W_i = \{\psi\}$ and $V \vdash \psi$, we have $\Psi(i)$ converges, say to ν , and $U \vdash (\text{id}_V \wedge \psi)^\nu$.
- $U \triangleright_{\text{C-loc}} V$ iff there is a partial computable Θ , such that, whenever $W_j = \{\theta_0, \dots, \theta_{k-1}\}$ and $V \vdash \theta_s$, for all $s < k$, we have $\Theta(j)$ converges, say to ρ , and $U \vdash \text{id}_V^\rho$ and $U \vdash \theta_s^\rho$, for $s < k$.

We show that A-local and B-local coincide with local and that C-local coincides with global.

It is immediate that, if $U \triangleright_{\text{B-loc}} V$, then $U \triangleright_{\text{A-loc}} V$. It is equally immediate that if $U \triangleright_{\text{A-loc}} V$, then $U \triangleright_{\text{loc}} V$. Suppose $U \triangleright_{\text{loc}} V$. We show $U \triangleright_{\text{B-loc}} V$. Consider any index i . We enumerate W_i . As soon as we find any ψ in W_i , we run through the U -proofs to find a conclusion of the form $(\text{id}_V \wedge \psi)^\nu$. If we find such, we take $\Psi(i) := \nu$. It is easy to see that Ψ witnesses $U \triangleright_{\text{B-loc}} V$.

Clearly $U \triangleright V$ implies $U \triangleright_{\text{C-loc}} V$. We prove the converse direction. Suppose v_0, v_1, \dots enumerates the theorems of V . Let Θ be given as a witness of $U \triangleright_{\text{C-loc}} V$. Using the Recursion Theorem we find j^* such that W_{j^*} is given as follows. We first compute $\Theta(j^*)$. As long as it does not converge, we put nothing in W_{j^*} . As soon as $\Theta(j^*)$ converges, say to ρ^* , we add v_0 to W_{j^*} and search for a U -proof of $v_0^{\rho^*}$. As long as we don't find such, we add nothing more to W_{j^*} . As soon as we do find such a proof, we add v_1 to W_{j^*} . Etcetera. It is now easy to see that $\Theta(j^*)$ converges, $W_{j^*} = V_{\mathbf{p}}$, and ρ^* witnesses $U \triangleright V$.

Appendix C. Effective Essential Tolerance. In [28], Albert Visser studies *essential tolerance*, a reduction relation that backwards preserves essential hereditary undecidability. The results of that paper have precise

effective counterparts. The reduction relation *effective essential tolerance* backwards preserves effective essential hereditary creativity.

DEFINITION C.1. U *effectively essentially tolerates* V or $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$ iff there are partial computable functions Φ_0 and Φ_1 , such that, whenever W_i is a consistent extension of U , $\Phi_0(i)$ and $\Phi_1(i)$ converge and $W_{\Phi_0(i)}$ is a consistent extension of W_i and $\Phi_1(i)$ codes a translation τ that witnesses $W_{\Phi_0(i)} \triangleright V$.

We can always assume that the witnesses of effective essential tolerance are total. Let U be given with some index j . We start with the partial witnesses Φ_k for $k = 0, 1$. Say, the total ones will be Ψ_k . Consider any index i . We can, from i , effectively find an index i^* of $U \cup W_i$. We now compute in parallel $\Phi_0(i^*)$, $\Phi_1(i^*)$ and we search, again in parallel, for a contradiction in $U \cup W_i$. If we find a value of a $\Phi_k(i^*)$ first, we set $\Psi_k(i)$ to that value. If we find an inconsistency in $U \cup W_i$, we set the $\Psi_k(i)$ that do not have a value yet to some random value.

We first verify some basic properties of $\triangleright_{\text{eff}}$.

THEOREM C.2. *The relation $\triangleright_{\text{eff}}$ extends \triangleright .*

PROOF. Suppose $U \triangleright V$ as witnessed by τ_0 . We take $\Phi_0(i) := i$ and $\Phi_1(i) := \tau_0$. →

THEOREM C.3. *The relation $\triangleright_{\text{eff}}$ is reflexive and transitive.*

PROOF. Reflexivity is trivial. (It also follows from Theorem C.2.) We prove transitivity. Suppose $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V \triangleright_{\text{eff}} W$ and let Φ_0, Φ_1 witness $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$ and Ψ_0, Ψ_1 witness $V \triangleright_{\text{eff}} W$. Let W_i be any consistent extension of U . Let $j := \Phi_0(i)$ and $\tau := \Phi_1(i)$, then W_j is a consistent extension of W_i and τ witnesses $W_j \triangleright V$. Let $Y := \{\varphi \mid W_j \vdash \varphi^\tau\}$. We can effectively find an index p of Y from j and τ . Let $k := \Psi_0(p)$ and $\mu := \Psi_1(p)$. Then, W_k is a consistent extension of Y and μ witnesses $W_k \triangleright W$. Let $Z := W_j \cup \{\varphi^\tau \mid W_k \vdash \varphi\}$. It follows from the consistency of W_k that Z is a consistent extension of W_i . Since τ witnesses $Z \triangleright W_k$, the composition $\tau \circ \mu$ witnesses $Z \triangleright W$. We can effectively find an index q of Z from j , k and τ . We define $\Theta_0(i) := q$ and $\Theta_1(i) := \tau \circ \mu$. Thus, Θ_0, Θ_1 witness $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} W$. →

In [28], it is shown that the non-effective version \triangleleft is strictly between model-interpretability and local interpretability. Since, of course, $V \triangleleft_{\text{eff}} U$ implies $V \triangleleft U$ and $V \triangleleft U$ implies $V \triangleleft_{\text{loc}} U$, we find that $V \triangleleft_{\text{eff}} U$ implies $V \triangleleft_{\text{loc}} U$. As we have seen, in Appendix B, we can view local interpretability as its own effective version. So this result can be viewed as an implication between effective notions. Regrettably, we are not aware of a good effective version of model interpretability, so the implication from $V \triangleleft_{\text{mod}} U$ to $V \triangleleft U$ seems to have no good effective analogue.

We proceed to show the retro-transmission of salient properties.

THEOREM C.4. *Let U be c.e. and consistent.*

- i. Suppose V is an effectively essentially incomplete c.e. theory and $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$. Then, U is effectively essentially incomplete.*
- ii. Suppose V is an effectively essentially hereditarily creative c.e. theory and $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$. Then, U is effectively essentially hereditarily creative.*

PROOF. Ad (i). Let Φ witness that V is an effectively essentially incomplete and let Ψ_0, Ψ_1 witness that $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$. Let W_i be a consistent extension of U . Let $j := \Psi_0 i$ and $\tau := \Psi_1 i$. Then W_j is a consistent extension of W_i and τ witnesses that $W_j \triangleright V$. Let $\mathcal{Z} := \{\psi \mid W_j \vdash \psi^\tau\}$. We can clearly effectively find an index k of \mathcal{Z} from j and τ . Let $\chi := \Phi(k)$. Then $\xi := \chi^\tau$ is independent of W_j and, *a fortiori*, of W_i . Inspecting the argument, we see that ξ can be effectively found from i .

Ad (ii). Suppose V is an effectively essentially hereditarily creative c.e. theory and $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$. Let Φ witness the effective essential hereditary creativity of V and let Ψ_0, Ψ_1 witness $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} V$. We are looking for a witness Θ of the effective essential hereditary creativity of U .

Suppose W_i is a c.e. theory in the language of U and $U' := U \cup W_i$ is consistent. Suppose further that $W_{ip} \cap W_k = \emptyset$. We need that $\Theta(i, k) \notin W_{ip} \cup W_k$.

Let s be an index of U' and let $j := \Psi_0 s$ and let $\tau := \Psi_1 s$. So, W_j is consistent and extends U' . Moreover, τ witnesses that W_j interprets V .

- Let $\mathcal{Z} := \{\psi \mid W_i + \text{id}_V^\tau \vdash \psi^\tau\}$. Let p be an index of \mathcal{Z} . We have $\mathcal{Z} \vdash \psi$ iff $W_i + \text{id}_V^\tau \vdash \psi^\tau$. Moreover, since W_j is a consistent extension of $W_i + \text{id}_V^\tau$, we find that \mathcal{Z} is consistent with V .
- Let $\mathcal{X} := \{\varphi \mid (\text{id}_V^\tau \rightarrow \varphi^\tau) \in W_k\}$. Let q be an index of \mathcal{X} . Suppose $\varphi \in \mathcal{Z}_p \cap \mathcal{X}$. Then, $(\text{id}_V^\tau \rightarrow \varphi^\tau) \in W_{ip}$ and $(\text{id}_V^\tau \rightarrow \varphi^\tau) \in W_k$. *Quod non.*

We may conclude that $\chi := \Phi(p, q) \notin \mathcal{Z}_p \cup \mathcal{X}$. We find $(\text{id}_V^\tau \rightarrow \chi^\tau) \notin W_{ip} \cup W_k$. We found p and q effectively from i and j . So, we can set $\Theta(i, j) := (\text{id}_V^\tau \rightarrow \Phi(p, q)^\tau)$. ⊖

In [28], the notion of Σ_1^0 -friendliness was developed. Inspecting the proof of [28, Theorem 35] and what is said directly below the proof, we see that if U is Σ_1^0 -friendly, then $U \triangleright_{\text{eff}} R$. This provides a nice source of examples of theories that are effectively essentially hereditarily creative. Specifically, the theory $\text{PA}_{\text{scatt}}^-$ studied in [28] is effectively essentially hereditarily creative.

In Appendix A of [28] it is shown that we can extend essential tolerance by considering theory extensions that allow addition of finitely many constants. This notion yields earlier results by Vaught in his [22]. We did not

pursue this avenue yet, but, *prima facie*, there seem to be no obstacles to extend the results of this appendix to this wider notion.

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