

The global structure of countable equivalence relations

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The complexity of equivalence relations received much attention in the literature. The main tool for such endeavour is the following reducibility: given equivalence relations R and S , R is *computably reducible* to S if there is a computable function $f : \omega \rightarrow \omega$ that injectively maps R -classes to S -classes. So far the systematic study of c -degrees has been limited to equivalence relations of low (i.e., c.e. or Δ_2^0) complexity.

In this work, we initiate the study of **ER**, the degree structure generated by computable reducibility on *all* equivalence relations with domain ω . We prove that the first-order theory of **ER** is as rich as possible, being computably isomorphic to second-order arithmetic.