

Theorem: DLO is not κ -categorical for any uncountable cardinal κ . (2.20)

Proof: Consider $(\mathbb{Q}, <_{\mathbb{Q}})$ with the usual order $<_{\mathbb{Q}}$ on \mathbb{Q} .

Claim: Let $(L, <_L)$ be any linear order. Then

$<_{lex}$ on $(L, <_L) \times (\mathbb{Q}, <_{\mathbb{Q}})$ is dense, where $<_{lex}$

is defined by $(a, b) <_{lex} (a', b')$ iff

$a <_L a'$ or

$(a = a' \text{ and } b <_{\mathbb{Q}} b')$.

Easy to see.
 $<_{lex}$ is a linear order again.

Proof: Let $(a, b), (a', b') \in L \times \mathbb{Q}$ with $(a, b) <_{lex} (a', b')$.

If $a <_L a'$, pick some $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $b < q$.

Then $(a, b) <_{lex} (a, q) <_{lex} (a', b')$.

If $a = a'$ and $b <_{\mathbb{Q}} b'$, choose $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ with

$b <_{\mathbb{Q}} q <_{\mathbb{Q}} b'$. Then $(a, b) <_{lex} (a, q) <_{lex} (a', b')$. □

A similar argument shows that $<_{lex}$ has no endpoints as $<_{\mathbb{Q}}$ has no endpoints.

To prove the theorem let κ be the set of all ordinals $< \kappa$ with the usual linear order (in fact well-order).

Let $<^*$ be the reverse order on κ , i.e. $\alpha <^* \beta$ iff $\alpha > \beta$.

Now let $<_{lex}$ be the order on $(\kappa, <) \times (\mathbb{Q}, <_{\mathbb{Q}})$

and $<_{lex}^*$ the order on $(\kappa, <^*) \times (\mathbb{Q}, <_{\mathbb{Q}})$.

Then $(\kappa \times \mathbb{Q}, <_{lex})$ and $(\kappa \times \mathbb{Q}, <_{lex}^*)$ are both models of DLO of card. κ .

Want to show that they are not isomorphic:

\mathcal{A} contains a strictly increasing sequence of length κ , 2.21
e.g. $((\alpha, 0) \mid \alpha < \kappa)$.

if $\mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{B}$, then there is such a sequence in
 $(\kappa \times \mathbb{Q}, <_{lex}^*)$, call it $((\alpha_\beta, q_\beta) \mid \beta < \kappa)$.

By the def'n of $<_{lex}^*$ this means that
 $(\alpha_\beta \mid \beta < \kappa)$ is not increasing in the usual order $<_{on\kappa}$.

Since $<_{on\kappa}$ is a well-order, it cannot contain
an infinite decreasing sequence. That means there
is some $\beta_0 < \kappa$ s.t. $\alpha_{\beta_0} = \alpha_\gamma$ for all γ s.t.

$\beta_0 \leq \gamma < \kappa$. By the def'n of $<_{lex}^*$, this
implies that the sequence

$(q_\gamma \mid \beta_0 \leq \gamma < \kappa)$ is strictly decreasing
and uncountable. But \mathbb{Q} is countable. \square

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