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*Degrees of nontrivial self-embeddings of computable linear orderings.*

The Dushnik–Miller Theorem states that every infinite countable linear ordering has a nontrivial self-embedding. We study the degrees of nontrivial self-embeddings of computable linear orderings of  $\omega$ . We show that there is a discrete computable linear ordering  $L$  of  $\omega$  such that every computable nontrivial self-embedding of  $L$  has degree  $\mathbf{a} \gg \mathbf{0}'$ . (Here  $\mathbf{a} \gg \mathbf{0}'$  means that every infinite  $\mathbf{0}'$ -computable tree of binary strings has an infinite  $\mathbf{a}$ -computable path.) In the other direction, we show that if  $L$  is a computable linear ordering of  $\omega$  and the set of elements of  $L$  which have a successor is  $\Delta_2^0$ , then  $L$  has an  $\mathbf{a}$ -computable self-embedding for every degree  $\mathbf{a} \gg \mathbf{0}'$ . Finally, we use a  $0'''$ -argument to show that there is a computable linear ordering  $L$  of  $\omega$  such that every block of  $L$  is finite and  $L$  has no  $\Delta_2^0$  nontrivial self-embedding.

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