# There is no strong minimal pair 

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- A set $A$ is recursively enumerable (r.e. ) if $A=\operatorname{dom} f$ for some partical recursive function $f$.
- $K=\left\{e \mid \Phi_{e}(e) \downarrow\right\}$ is an example of non-recursive complete r.e. set.
- 1944 Post's Problem: Is there a non-recursive incomplete r.e. degrees?
- 1957,1956 Friedberg-Muchnik Theorem: Yes (By a priority argument).
- 1964 Sacks' Density Theorem: Between any two comparable r.e. degrees, there is a third one. (By another priority argument)


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Requirements:
(i) $G_{W}: W=\Phi^{A}$,
(ii) $P_{W}(\Delta): W \neq \Delta$ for all $\Delta$,
(iii) $N_{W}(\Gamma): A \neq \Gamma^{B \oplus W}$ for all $\Gamma$.

## $G_{W}, P_{W}(\Delta)$ and $N_{W}(\Gamma)$



## All together!



