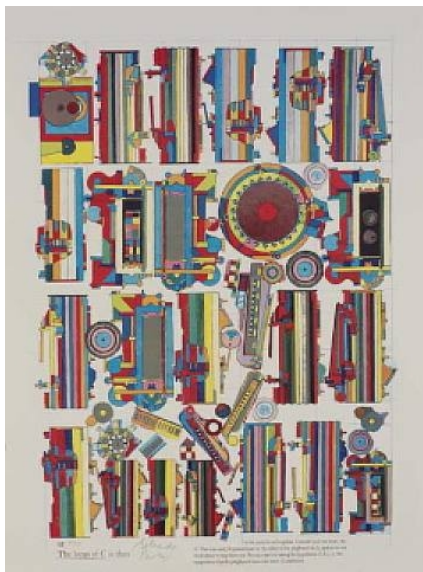


# Generalised transfinite Turing machines and

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• As a corollary one derives the Normal Form Theorem and:

## Corollary

$$H_0 \equiv \Sigma_1\text{-Th}(L_\lambda).$$

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A sample theorem of what is known:

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$ZFC + Det(\Gamma_2) \Rightarrow$  *There is an inner model with a proper class of strong cardinals*<sup>6</sup>.

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