

Realizability models and the axiom of choice

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What is Realizability?

Realizability aims at extracting the computational content of mathematical proofs.

A short history

Kleene 1945

Correspondence between formulas of Heyting arithmetic and (sets of indexes of) recursive functions.

Curry Howard 1958

Isomorphism between proofs in [intuitionistic logic](#) and simply typed lambda-terms.

Griffin 1990

Correspondence between [classical logic](#) and lambda-terms plus control operators.

Krivine 2000-2004

Realisability models of [set theory](#) (ZF+DC)

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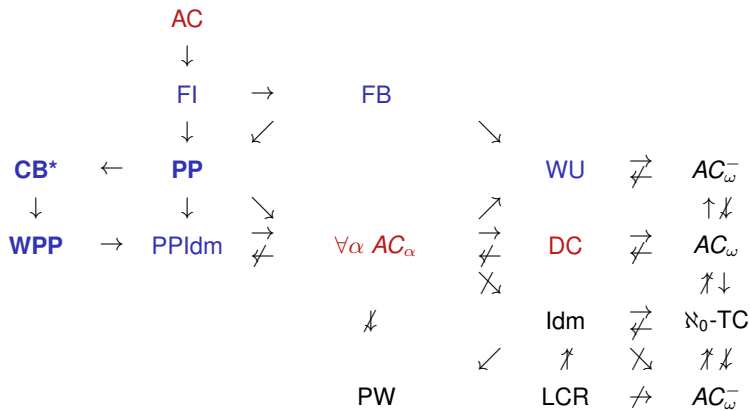
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Variants of the Axiom of Choice



Krivine's realizability models

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Forcing vs. realizability

Forcing	Realizability
\mathbb{B} : set of conditions (Boolean algebra)	Λ : the 'programs' ; Π : the 'stacks'
$\ \varphi\ \in \mathbb{B}$	$ \varphi \subseteq \Lambda$; $(\varphi) \subseteq \Pi$
$\mathbb{1}$ maximal condition	$I, K, W, C, B, cc \in \Lambda$ 'instructions'
$\{\mathbb{1}\}$	$\Lambda^* \subseteq \Lambda$: the 'trustful' programs. Contains the instructions
\wedge \vee	$()$ 'application' ; \cdot 'push' ; \star 'process' k_π 'continuation'
\leq partial order on $\mathbb{B} \setminus \{0\}$	\succ preorder on $\Lambda \star \Pi$
$\perp \subseteq \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B}$	$\perp \subseteq \Lambda \star \Pi$ final segment
V 'ground model' $V^{\mathbb{B}}$ the Boolean-valued model	\mathcal{M} 'ground model' \mathcal{N} 'realizability model'
$V^{\mathbb{B}} \models \varphi$ if $\ \varphi\ = \mathbb{1}$ $\mathbb{1} \Vdash \varphi$ reads " $\mathbb{1}$ forces φ "	$\mathcal{N} \models \varphi$ if $\exists \theta \in \Lambda^*$ ($\theta \in \varphi $) $\theta \Vdash \varphi$ reads " θ realizes φ "

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\succ is the least preorder on $\Lambda \star \Pi$ such that for all $\xi, \eta, \zeta \in \Lambda$ and $\pi, \sigma \in \Pi$,

- $\xi(\eta) \star \pi \succ \xi \star \eta \cdot \pi$
- $I \star \xi \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \pi$
- $K \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \pi$
- $E \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \succ \xi(\eta) \star \pi$
- $W \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \eta \cdot \eta \cdot \pi$
- $C \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \zeta \cdot \eta \cdot \pi$
- $B \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi \succ \xi(\eta(\zeta)) \star \pi$
- $CC \star \xi \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star k_\pi \cdot \pi$
- $k_\pi \star \xi \cdot \sigma \succ \xi \star \pi$

Non extensional set theory ZF_ε

$\mathcal{L} = \{\varepsilon, \in, \subseteq\}$.

$x \simeq y$ is the formula $x \subseteq y \wedge y \subseteq x$

- Extensionality: $\forall x \forall y (x \in y \iff \exists z \varepsilon y (x \simeq z))$;
 $\forall x \forall y (x \subseteq y \iff \forall z \varepsilon x (z \in y))$
- Foundation:
 $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a (\forall x (\forall y \varepsilon x F[y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \Rightarrow F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]) \Rightarrow F[a, x_1, \dots, x_n])$
- Pairing: $\forall a \forall b \exists x (a \varepsilon x \wedge b \varepsilon x)$
- Union: $\forall a \exists b \forall x \varepsilon a \forall y \varepsilon x (y \varepsilon b)$
- Powerset: $\forall a \exists b \forall x \exists y \varepsilon b \forall z (z \varepsilon y \iff (z \varepsilon a \wedge z \varepsilon x))$
- Replacement: $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b \forall x \varepsilon a (\exists y F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \Rightarrow (\exists y \varepsilon b F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]))$
- Infinity $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b [a \varepsilon b \wedge \forall x \varepsilon b (\exists y F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \Rightarrow \exists y \varepsilon b F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n])]$

ZF_ε is a conservative extension of ZF .

The realizability relation

We define the two truth values $|\varphi| \subseteq \Lambda$ and $\langle\!\langle\varphi\rangle\!\rangle \subseteq \Pi$.

$$\xi \in |\varphi| \iff \forall \pi \in \langle\!\langle\varphi\rangle\!\rangle (\xi \star \pi \in \perp)$$

$\xi \Vdash \varphi$ means $\xi \in |\varphi|$

- $\langle\!\langle\top\rangle\!\rangle = \emptyset$, $\langle\!\langle\perp\rangle\!\rangle = \Pi$,
- $\langle\!\langle a \notin b \rangle\!\rangle = \{\pi \in \Pi; (a, \pi) \in b\}$
- $\langle\!\langle a \subseteq b \rangle\!\rangle = \{\xi \cdot \pi; \exists c(c, \pi) \in a \text{ and } \xi \Vdash c \notin b\}$
- $\langle\!\langle a \not\subseteq b \rangle\!\rangle = \{\xi \cdot \xi' \cdot \pi; \exists c(c, \pi) \in b \text{ and } \xi \Vdash a \subseteq c \text{ and } \xi' \Vdash c \subseteq a\}$
- $\langle\!\langle \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \rangle\!\rangle = \{\xi \cdot \pi; \xi \Vdash \varphi \text{ and } \pi \in \langle\!\langle\psi\rangle\!\rangle\}$
- $\langle\!\langle \forall x \varphi \rangle\!\rangle = \bigcup_a \langle\!\langle \varphi[a/x] \rangle\!\rangle$

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Let A_1, \dots, A_n, A be closed formulas of ZF_ε and suppose $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : A$.
If $\xi_1 \Vdash A_1, \dots, \xi_n \Vdash A_n$, then $t[\xi_1/x_1, \dots, \xi_n/x_n] \Vdash A$.

Corollary

If $\vdash t : A$, then $t \Vdash A$

Theorem

The axioms of ZF_ε are realized.

Non extensional choice

Non extensional functions

$$\varepsilon - \text{Func}(f) \equiv \forall x, y, y' ((x, y) \varepsilon f \wedge (x, y') \varepsilon f \Rightarrow y = y')$$

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$$\forall z \exists f (f \subseteq z \wedge \varepsilon - \text{Func}(f) \wedge \forall x, y \exists y' ((x, y) \varepsilon z \Rightarrow (x, y') \varepsilon f))$$

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