

Formally representable functions from $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ to \mathbb{N}

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Remark. We work constructively (intuitionistically and predicatively), allowing some constructive choice principles (i.e. countable choice).

Neighbourhood functions $\alpha: \mathbb{N}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

The class $K \subseteq \mathbb{N}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ of **neighbourhood functions** is inductively generated by the following clauses:

$$\frac{n \in \mathbb{N}}{\lambda a.n + 1 \in K}, \quad \frac{\alpha(\langle \rangle) = 0 \quad (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \lambda a. \alpha(\langle n \rangle * a) \in K}{\alpha \in K}.$$

Remark. A neighbourhood function $\alpha \in K$ can be identified with a well-founded tree labelled by \mathbb{N} .

1. $\lambda a.n + 1$ corresponds to a single node tree $\{(\langle \rangle, n + 1)\}$ labelled by $n + 1$.
2. if $\alpha(\langle \rangle) = 0$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda a. \alpha(\langle n \rangle * a)$ corresponds to a labelled tree T_n , then α corresponds to a tree $T = \{(\langle \rangle, 0)\} \cup \{(\langle n \rangle * a, L) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, (a, L) \in T_n\}$.

The leaves of tree corresponding to $\alpha \in K$ determines a bar

$$P_\alpha = \{a \in \mathbb{N}^* \mid \alpha(a) > 0 \ \& \ (\forall a' \prec a) \alpha(a') = 0\},$$

so that $(\forall \beta \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}) (\exists k \in \mathbb{N}) \bar{\beta}k \in P_\alpha$.

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Proposition

*A function $f: \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is realizable iff there exists $\alpha \in K$ such that for all $a \in P_\alpha$ the composition $f \circ \text{cons}_a$ is constant, where $\text{cons}_a: \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is a mapping $\beta \mapsto a * \beta$.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Obvious.

(\Leftarrow) If $\alpha \in K$ satisfies the condition, replace all the labels of the leaf nodes $(a, \alpha(a))$ of the tree determined by α with values $f(a * 0^\omega) + 1$. The resulting tree represents $\alpha' \in K$, which realizes f .

Formal topologies

A **formal topology** is a triple $\mathcal{S} = (S, \triangleleft, \leq)$ where (S, \leq) is a preorder and \triangleleft is a relation $\triangleleft \subseteq S \times \text{Pow}(S)$ such that

$$\frac{a \leq b}{a \triangleleft b}, \quad \frac{a \in U}{a \triangleleft U}, \quad \frac{a \triangleleft U \quad U \triangleleft V}{a \triangleleft V}, \quad \frac{a \triangleleft U \quad a \triangleleft V}{a \triangleleft U \downarrow V}.$$
$$U \triangleleft V \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} (\forall a \in U) a \triangleleft V, \quad U \downarrow V \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \downarrow U \cap \downarrow V$$

A morphism (**formal topology map**) between formal topologies \mathcal{S} to \mathcal{S}' is a relation $r \subseteq S \times S'$ such that

1. $S \triangleleft r^{-1} S'$,
2. $r^{-1} \{a\} \downarrow r^{-1} \{b\} \triangleleft r^{-1} (a \downarrow b)$,
3. $a \triangleleft' U \implies r^{-1} \{a\} \triangleleft r^{-1} U$

for all $a, b \in S'$ and $U \subseteq S'$. Two formal topology maps $r_1, r_2 : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}'$ are defined to be equal if

$$\mathcal{A}r_1^{-1} \{a\} = \mathcal{A}r_2^{-1} \{a\}$$

for all $a \in S'$, where $\mathcal{A}U = \{a \in S \mid a \triangleleft U\}$.

A **point** of a formal topology \mathcal{S} is a subset $\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ such that

1. $(\exists a \in \mathcal{S}) a \in \alpha$,
2. $a, b \in \alpha \implies (\exists c \in a \downarrow b) c \in \alpha$,
3. $a \triangleleft' U \ \& \ a \in \alpha \implies (\exists a \in U) a \in \alpha$.

$\text{Pt}(\mathcal{S})$ denotes the collection of points of \mathcal{S} .

A formal topology map $r : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}'$ determines a point map $\text{Pt}(r) : \text{Pt}(\mathcal{S}) \rightarrow \text{Pt}(\mathcal{S}')$ given by

$$\text{Pt}(r)(\alpha) = r\alpha$$

for all $\alpha \in \text{Pt}(\mathcal{S})$.

Formal Baire space $\mathcal{B} = (\mathbb{N}^*, \triangleleft_{\mathcal{B}}, \leq)$ is defined by

$$a \leq b \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} b \preceq a$$

and $\triangleleft_{\mathcal{B}}$ is the smallest covering relation satisfying

$$a \triangleleft_{\mathcal{B}} \{a * \langle n \rangle \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

for all $a \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

Formal natural numbers \mathcal{N} is a structure $(\mathbb{N}, \in, =)$.

There are homeomorphisms:

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathcal{B}} : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} &\rightarrow \text{Pt}(\mathcal{B}), & \beta &\mapsto \{\bar{\beta}k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}, \\ i_{\mathcal{N}} : \mathbb{N} &\rightarrow \text{Pt}(\mathcal{N}), & n &\mapsto \{n\}. \end{aligned}$$

A function $f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is **FT-continuous** if there exists $r : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$ such that $f = i_{\mathcal{N}}^{-1} \circ \text{Pt}(r) \circ i_{\mathcal{B}}$.

Proposition

There exists a bijective correspondence between the FT-continuous functions $f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ and the formal topology maps $r : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$.

Remark. This is an instance of a more general result about complete metric spaces using the technique of localic completion due to S. Vickers.

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Proof.

(\Rightarrow) Use the fact that Cov is a presentation of \mathcal{B} .

(\Leftarrow) Define $r : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$ by $a r n \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} a \in U \ \& \ f(a * 0^\omega) = n$. \square

Lemma

For any $U \in \text{Pow}(\mathbb{N}^*)$, we have

$$U \in \text{Cov}(\langle \rangle) \iff (\exists \alpha \in K) P_\alpha = U.$$

Proof. Induction on Cov and K . □

Theorem

A function $f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is realizable iff f is FT-continuous.

Corollary

There exists a bijective correspondence between the formal topology maps $r : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$ and the realizable functions $f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$.

A function $f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is **realizable** if $\pi_n \circ f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is realizable for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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A function $f : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is realizable iff f is uniformly continuous with respect to the covering uniformity $\text{Cov}(\langle \rangle)$, i.e. for any $V \in \text{Cov}(\langle \rangle)$ there exists $U \in \text{Cov}(\langle \rangle)$ such that

$$(\forall a \in U) (\exists b \in V) \left(\forall \beta \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \right) \beta \in a \implies f(\beta) \in b.$$



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