

*Toposes for Time Complexity Classes*

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## Summary

- aim: construct realizability toposes from complexity classes, and use internal logic and geometric arguments for analysis
- one possibly : number realizability style, restrict complexity of realizers
- works, but does not yield toposes
- instead use Krivine's **classical realizability**, and represent complexity class by the 'pole'

*Part I*  
*Categorical Krivine realizability*

# The Krivine Machine

Syntax:

Terms:  $t ::= x \mid \lambda x.t \mid tt \mid \mathbf{c} \mid k_\pi \mid \dots$  (*non-logical instructions*)

Stacks:  $\pi ::= \varepsilon \mid t \cdot \pi$  ( $t$  closed)

Processes:  $\rho ::= t \star \pi$  ( $t$  closed)

reduction relation on processes:

(push)  $tu \star \pi \succ t \star u \cdot \pi$

(pop)  $(\lambda x.t[x]) \star u \cdot \pi \succ t[u] \star \pi$

(save)  $\mathbf{c} \star t \cdot \pi \succ t \star k_\pi \cdot \pi$

(restore)  $k_\pi \star t \cdot \rho \succ t \star \pi$

- non-logical instructions necessary for non-trivial realizability models

## *Krivine's classical realizability – basic ideas*

Guiding intuitions:

- Combination of **Kleene realizability** and **negative translation**
- Syntax with **continuations** instead of **CPS translation**
- **Negation** replaced by  $(-)\Rightarrow R$ , for convenient  $R$  ('pole')
- different  $R$  give different **realizability models**

## Quasi-Proofs and Poles

### Notation, Terminology

- $\Lambda$  set of closed terms
- $\Pi$  set of stacks
- $\Lambda \star \Pi = \Lambda \times \Pi$  set of processes
- $QP \subseteq \Lambda$  set of **quasi-proofs** – ‘pure’ terms not containing any ‘non-logical instructions’ (continuations  $k_\pi$  allowed)

### Definition

A **pole** is a set  $\perp \subseteq \Lambda \star \Pi$  of processes closed under inverse reduction, i.e.

$$t \star \pi \succ u \star \rho, \quad u \star \rho \in \perp \quad \Rightarrow \quad t \star \pi \in \perp$$

- Different poles  $\perp$  give different realizability models
- Example: termination pole

*Example: The termination pole*

- constant **end** ('termination') as only non-logical instruction
- define

$$\begin{aligned}(t \star \pi) \downarrow &\Leftrightarrow \exists \rho. t \star \pi \succ^* \text{end} \star \rho. \\ \mathfrak{T} &= \{t \star \pi \in \Lambda \star \Pi \mid (t \star \pi) \downarrow\}\end{aligned}$$

## Truth values, ordering

- Fix a pole  $\perp\!\!\!\perp$
- **Truth values** are subsets  $P \subseteq \Pi$ , elements are ‘refutations’
- For  $t \in \Lambda$ ,  $P, Q \in \mathcal{P}(\Pi)$  define

$$\begin{aligned}t \Vdash P &\Leftrightarrow \forall \pi \in P. t \star \pi \in \perp\!\!\!\perp && \text{('}t \text{ realizes } P\text{'}) \\P^\perp &= \{t \in \Lambda \mid \forall \pi \in P. t \star \pi \in \perp\!\!\!\perp\} && \text{('realizers')} \\P \Rightarrow Q &= \{u \cdot \pi \mid u \Vdash P, \pi \in Q\}\end{aligned}$$

- For  $L \subseteq \Lambda$  define

$$L^\perp = \{\pi \in \perp\!\!\!\perp \mid \forall t \in L. t \star \pi \in \perp\!\!\!\perp\}$$

- Define **ordering** on set  $\mathcal{P}(\Pi)$  of truth values by

$$S \leq T \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \exists t \in QP. t \Vdash S \Rightarrow T$$

for  $S, T \subseteq \Pi$  (restriction to *quasi-proofs* to avoid degeneracy)



## Ordering on predicates

- **Predicates** are families of truth values, i.e. functions  $\varphi, \psi : J \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Pi)$
- Define **ordering** on set  $\mathcal{P}(\Pi)^J$  of predicates on  $J$  by

$$\varphi \leq \psi \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \exists t \in \mathbf{QP} \forall j \in J. t \Vdash \varphi(j) \Rightarrow \psi(j)$$

- in Krivine's terminology, this would mean that the formula

$$\forall j : J. \varphi(j) \Rightarrow \psi(j)$$

is realized by a quasi-proof

- ordering **uniform** – compare with pointwise ordering

$$\varphi \leq \psi \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \forall j \in J \exists t \in \mathbf{QP} . t \Vdash \varphi(j) \Rightarrow \psi(j)$$

## Predicates form a Boolean tripos

- The assignment  $J \mapsto (\mathcal{P}(\Pi)^J, \leq)$  extends to an **indexed preorder**, i.e. a functor

$$\mathcal{K}_{\perp} : \mathbf{Set}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Ord}$$

### Theorem

$\mathcal{K}_{\perp}$  is a **Boolean tripos**, i.e.

- fibers  $\mathcal{K}_{\perp}(J)$  are Boolean prealgebra for all  $J \in \mathbf{Set}$
- reindexing maps  $\mathcal{K}_{\perp}(f) : \mathcal{K}_{\perp}(I) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}_{\perp}(J)$  preserve Boolean prealgebra structure for all  $f : J \rightarrow I$
- reindexing maps have right adjoints  $\mathcal{K}_{\perp}(f) \vdash \forall_f : \mathcal{K}_{\perp}(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}_{\perp}(I)$ , and

for all pullback squares 
$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xrightarrow{q} & K \\ p \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ J & \xrightarrow{f} & I \end{array}$$
 we have  $\mathcal{K}_{\perp}(g) \circ \forall_f \cong \forall_q \circ \mathcal{K}_{\perp}(p)$

- there exists  $\text{tr} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{Prop})$  such that for every  $I \in \mathbf{Set}$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(I)$  there exists  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbf{Prop}$  with  $\mathcal{K}_{\perp}(f)(\text{tr}) \cong \varphi$

## Internal logic of a tripos

We can use **(higher order) predicate logic** as notation and calculational tool for constructions in  $\mathcal{P}$ .

E.g. for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(A \times B), \psi \in \mathcal{P}(B \times C)$ , write

$$\theta(x, z) \equiv \exists y. \varphi(x, y) \wedge \psi(y, z)$$

instead of

$$\theta = \exists_{\partial_1} (\partial_2^* \varphi \wedge \partial_0^* \psi).$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & A \times B & \\ & \uparrow \partial_2 & \\ A \times B \times C & \xrightarrow{\partial_1} & A \times C \\ & \downarrow \partial_0 & \\ & B \times C & \end{array}$$

Given **predicates**  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n, \psi \in \mathcal{P}(A_1 \times \dots \times A_k)$ , say that the **judgment**

$$\varphi_1(\vec{x}), \dots, \varphi_n(\vec{x}) \vdash_{\vec{x}} \psi(\vec{x})$$

is **valid**, if

$$\varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_n \leq \psi \quad \text{in} \quad \mathcal{P}(A_1 \times \dots \times A_k).$$

More generally,  $\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n, \psi$  can be **formulas** instead of (atomic) predicates.

Validity relation closed under deduction rules for classical predicate logic.

Lawvere: Equality predicate on  $A$  is given by  $\exists_{\delta} \top$ , where  $\delta : A \rightarrow A \times A$

## The tripes-to-topos construction

For any tripos  $\mathcal{P} : \mathbf{Set}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Ord}$  we define a category  $\mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{P}]$  as follows.

### Definition

$\mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{P}]$  is the category where

- **objects** are pairs  $(A \in \mathbf{Set}, \rho \in \mathcal{P}(A \times A))$  such that

$$(sym) \quad \rho(x, y) \vdash \rho(y, x)$$

$$(trans) \quad \rho(x, y), \rho(y, z) \vdash \rho(x, z)$$

- **morphisms**  $(A, \rho) \rightarrow (B, \sigma)$  are (equivalence classes of) predicates  $\phi \in \mathcal{P}(A \times B)$  such that

$$(strict) \quad \phi(x, y) \vdash \rho x \wedge \sigma y \quad [\text{short for } \rho(x, x) \wedge \sigma(y, y)]$$

$$(cong) \quad \rho(x, x'), \phi(x', y), \sigma(y, y') \vdash \phi(x, y')$$

$$(sv) \quad \phi(x, y), \phi(x, y') \vdash \sigma(y, y')$$

$$(tot) \quad \rho x \vdash \exists y. \phi(x, y)$$

- $\phi, \phi' \in \mathcal{P}(A \times B)$  are identified as morphisms, if  $\phi \cong \phi'$
- composition is relational composition

### Lemma

For any tripos  $\mathcal{P} : \mathbf{Set}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Ord}$ ,  $\mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{P}]$  is a topos with a **natural numbers object**

## The constant objects functor

### Definition

For a tripos  $\mathcal{P}$ , define the **constant objects functor**

$$\Delta : \mathbf{Set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{P}]$$

by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \mapsto & (A, =) \\ \downarrow f & \mapsto & \downarrow [\phi] \\ B & \mapsto & (B, =) \end{array} \quad \text{where } \phi(x, y) \equiv f(x) = y$$

The natural numbers object (NNO) of  $\mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{P}]$  is given by the subobject of  $\Delta(\mathbb{N})$  corresponding to the predicate

$$\text{nat}(x) \equiv \forall X : P(\mathbb{N}). X(0) \Rightarrow (\forall y. X(y) \Rightarrow X(y + 1)) \Rightarrow X(x)$$

For **Grothendieck toposes**, the natural numbers object is simply  $\Delta(\mathbb{N})$  (since  $\Delta$  is a left adjoint)

## Consistency

- Falsity is the set  $\perp$  of *all* stacks
- $\mathcal{K}_{\perp}$  is **consistent**, if there is no quasi-proof realizing  $\perp$

$$\begin{aligned} & \neg \exists t \in QP . t \Vdash \perp \\ \Leftrightarrow & \neg \exists t \in QP \forall \pi \in \Pi . t \star \pi \in \perp \\ \Leftrightarrow & \forall t \in QP \exists \pi \in \Pi . t \star \pi \notin \perp \end{aligned}$$

### Theorem

$\perp \subseteq \Lambda \star \Pi$  is consistent iff every  $t \star \pi \in \perp$  contains a non-logical instruction.

### Proof.

If all elements of  $\perp$  contain non-logical instructions, then  $t \star \varepsilon \notin \perp$  for any quasi-proof  $t$ .

Conversely, if  $t \star \pi \in \perp$  is 'pure', then  $k_{\pi}t$  is a quasi-proof-realizing  $\perp$ . □

- $\perp$  is inconsistent iff **Set** $[\mathcal{K}_{\perp}]$  is equivalent to the terminal category **1**
- termination pole  $\mathfrak{T}$  is consistent

*Part II*  
*Poles from complexity classes*

- idea: represent complexity class (say PTIME) by the pole, i.e. take  $\perp$  to be set of processes of 'polynomial complexity'
- to make asymptotic statements about a single process, need input/arguments/data
- first approach was to use I/O instructions
- simpler approach leads to models that are easier to analyze



## The PTIME pole

- syntax comprises non-logical constant **end**, and a special variable  $\alpha$  representing input

Terms:  $t ::= x \mid \lambda x.t \mid tt \mid \alpha \mid k_\pi \mid \mathbf{end} \mid \alpha$   
Stacks:  $\pi ::= \varepsilon \mid t \cdot \pi$   $t$  closed  
Processes:  $p ::= t \star \pi$   $t$  closed

- ‘closed’ means ‘no free vars except  $\alpha$ ’
- $QP = \{t \in \Lambda \mid \mathbf{end} \notin t\}$  ( $\alpha$  may appear in quasi-proofs)
- For  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^*$ , let  $\bar{\sigma}$  be the System F encoding of  $\sigma$
- PTIME pole given by

$$\mathfrak{P} = \left\{ p \mid \exists P \in \mathbb{N}[X] \forall \sigma \in \{0, 1\}^* . p[\bar{\sigma}/\alpha] \downarrow^{\leq P(|\sigma|)} \right\}$$

- relation to computational complexity since the Krivine machine is a *reasonable model*

## Truth values from sets of strings

For  $U \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  define truth value

$$A_U = \left\{ t \cdot \varepsilon \in \Pi \mid \exists P \in \mathbb{N}[X] \forall \sigma \in U. (t \star \varepsilon)[\bar{\sigma}/\alpha] \downarrow^{\leq P(|\sigma|)} \right\} \subseteq \Pi$$

### Theorem

For  $U \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$ , we have

- ①  $A_{U^c} \leq \neg A_U$
  - ②  $\neg A_U \leq A_{U^c}$  iff  $U$  is decidable in polynomial time.
- in  $(P(\mathfrak{F}), \leq)$ .

*Part III*

*Functors between classical realizability toposes*

- Idea: construct functor  $\mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{T}] \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}[\mathcal{P}]$  from inclusion of terms w/o  $\alpha$  in terms with  $\alpha$

$$\Lambda \subset \Lambda_\alpha$$

- mapping on truth values given by

$$\Delta : P(\Pi) \rightarrow P(\Pi), \quad S \mapsto (S^\alpha)_{\mathcal{P}}.$$

- problem: monotonicity of construction relies on following conjecture

### *Conjecture*

For all  $K, L \subseteq \Lambda_\alpha$  and  $S \subseteq \Pi_\alpha$  we have  $K \perp_{\mathcal{P}} L \cdot S \Leftrightarrow K \perp_{\mathcal{P}} (L_{\mathcal{P}})_{\mathcal{P}} \cdot S$ .

- conjecture remains unresolved, but problem disappears when using a different syntax!

# The CPS target language

## Expressions:

Terms:  $s, t, u ::= x \mid \langle \ell_1(x.p_1), \dots, \ell_n(x.p_n) \rangle$

Programs:  $p, q ::= t_\ell u \mid \dots$  (non-logical instructions)

## Reduction:

$$\langle \ell_1(x.p_1), \dots, \ell_n(x.p_n) \rangle_{\ell_i} t \succ p_i[t/x] \quad \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

## Types:

$$A ::= X \mid \langle \ell_1(A_1), \dots, \ell_n(A_n) \rangle \quad n \geq 0$$

## Typing rules:

$$\text{(Var)} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash x_i : A_i} \quad \Gamma \equiv x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$
$$\text{(Intro)} \quad \frac{\Gamma, y : B_1 \vdash p_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma, y : B_m \vdash p_m}{\Gamma \vdash \langle \ell_1(y.p_1), \dots, \ell_m(y.p_m) \rangle : \langle \ell_1(B_1), \dots, \ell_m(B_m) \rangle}$$
$$\text{(Elim)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t : \langle \ell_1(B_1), \dots, \ell_m(B_m) \rangle \quad \Gamma \vdash u : B_i}{\Gamma \vdash t_{\ell_i} u} \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

## Negative & CPS translation

Fix shorthands

$$\top \equiv \langle \rangle \quad \neg A \equiv \langle k(A) \rangle \quad \neg(A, B) \equiv \langle l(A), r(B) \rangle$$

Define classical conjunction

$$A \wedge B \equiv \neg(\neg A, \neg B)$$

- For formulas  $A$  in  $(\neg, \wedge)$ -fragment of prop. logic define  $A^\top$  by expanding connectives according to above
- Translate classical into CPS sequents

$$(A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash B_1, \dots, B_m)^\top = (A_1^\top, \dots, A_n^\top, \neg B_1^\top, \dots, \neg B_m^\top \vdash)$$

- $(\Gamma \vdash \Delta)$  provable in classical logic iff  $(\Gamma \vdash \Delta)^\top$  provable in CPS logic

## Classical realizability in the CPS target language

- $\mathbb{T}$  set of closed terms,  $\mathbb{T}_0$  set of *pure* closed terms
- $\mathbb{P}$  set of closed programs
- $\perp \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  closed under inverse  $\gamma$
- Truth values are sets  $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathbb{T}$  of closed terms
- For labels  $l_1, \dots, l_n$  and truth values  $\mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_n$  set

$$\langle l_1(\mathcal{S}_1), \dots, l_n(\mathcal{S}_n) \rangle = \{t \in \mathbb{T} \mid \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \forall s \in \mathcal{S}_i . t_{l_i} s \in \perp\}.$$

Thanks for your attention!