

Completeness of infinitary intuitionistic logics

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- Completeness theorem proved using Boolean algebraic methods and thus relies heavily in the use of the excluded middle axiom.

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Definition (Makkai)

A κ -regular category is a regular category that has κ -limits (i.e., limits of κ -small diagrams) and satisfies further an exactness property of \mathcal{Set} corresponding to the axioms DC_γ of dependent choice up to γ for each $\gamma < \kappa$.

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Then the exactness condition reads that if all maps $h_{\beta,\alpha}$ are epimorphisms, so is $f_{\beta,0}$. Loosely speaking we say that the transfinite composition of epimorphisms is itself an epimorphism.

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for each cardinal $\gamma < \kappa$, where \mathbf{y}_i is the canonical context of ϕ_i , provided that, for every $i \in \gamma^{\beta+1}$, $FV(\phi_i) = FV(\phi_{i|_\beta}) \cup \mathbf{x}_i$ and $\mathbf{x}_{i|_{\beta+1}} \cap FV(\phi_{i|_\beta}) = \emptyset$ for any $\beta < \gamma$, as well as $FV(\phi_i) = \bigcup_{\alpha < \beta} FV(\phi_{i|_\alpha})$ for limit β . Note that we assume that there is a fixed well-ordering of γ^γ for each $\gamma < \kappa$.

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- Call κ a *Heyting cardinal* if κ -first-order theories of cardinality strictly less than κ are complete for κ -Kripke semantics. Determine its strength within the large cardinal hierarchy.

Thanks for your attention