# Semi-Constructive versions of the Rasiowa-Sikorski Lemma and Possibility Semantics for Intuitionistic Logic 

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## Motivation

- The following are well-known and important results about Boolean algebras and classical predicate logic (CPL):
- The Rasiowa-Sikorski Lemma for Boolean algebras
- Stone's representation theorem
- The completeness of CPL with respect to Tarskian semantics
- Over time, these results have been generalized in two different ways:
- By moving away from Boolean algebras, and extending the results to distributive lattices, Heyting algebras and intuitionistic logic (mathematical program);
- By moving away from classical mathematics, in particular working under fragments of the axiom of choice instead of the full $A C$ (metamathematical program).


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- In all three cases, the same idea will appear, namely that we have to work with pairs of filters and ideals rather than just with filters.


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## The Rasiowa-Sikorski Lemma

## Lemma (Rasiowa-Sikorski)

Let $B$ be a Boolean algebra and $Q$ a countable set of subsets of $B$ with meets existing in $B$. Then for any $a \in B$, if $a \neq 0$, then there is an ultrafilter $p$ over $B$ such that:

- $a \in p$;
- For any $X \in Q$, if $X \subseteq p$, then $\Lambda X \in p$.


## The Rasiowa-Sikorski Lemma

- Rasiowa and Sikorski's original proof was an application of the Baire Category Theorem for compact Hausdorff spaces (BCT) to the dual Stone space of a Boolean algebra.
- Rauszer-Sabalski(1975), Görnemann(1971), and more recently Goldblatt(2012) showed how to generalize this result to DL and HA.
- These proofs however are non-constructive, because they rely on the Boolean Prime Ideal Theorem (BPI) or the Prime Filter Theorem (PFT).


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- On the other hand, (Goldblatt 1985) remarks that the Rasiowa-Sikorski Lemma is equivalent to the conjunction of BPI and Tarski's Lemma:


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- for any $X \in Q$, either $\bigwedge X \in F$, or $\neg x \in F$ for some $x \in X$.
- Goldblatt also proves that Tarski's Lemma is equivalent over $Z F$ to several other statements, including BCT and the Axiom of Dependent Choices ( $D C$ ).


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## The $Q$-Lemma for Distributive Lattices

## Q-Lemma for DL

Let $L$ be a distributive lattice and $Q_{M}$ and $Q_{J}$ two countable sets of distributive meets and joins existing in $L$ respectively. Then for any $a, b \in L$ such that $a \not \leq b$, there exists a pair $(F, I)$ over $L$ such that:
i) $a \in F$ and $b \in I, F \cap I=\emptyset$;
ii) For any $\bigwedge X \in Q_{M}$, either $\bigwedge X \in F$, or there exists $x \in X \cap I$;
iii) For any $\bigvee Y \in Q_{J}$, either $\bigvee Y \in I$, or there exists $y \in Y \cap F$.

## Proof.

Recall first that L is distributive iff for any $a, b, c \in L$, if $a \leq b \vee c$ and $a \wedge c \leq b$ then $a \leq b$. Hence for any $X \in Q_{M}, Y \in Q_{J}, a, b \in L$, by distributivity if $a \not \leq b$, then either $a \not \leq x \vee b$ for some $x \in X$, or $a \wedge \wedge X \not \leq b$, and dually either $a \wedge y \not \leq b$ for some $y \in Y$, or $a \not \leq \bigvee Y \vee b$. Order all subsets in $Q_{M}$ and all subsets in $Q_{J}$, and...

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## Proof.

...construct a descending sequence $\left\{a_{n}\right\}_{n \in \omega}$ and an increasing sequence $\left\{b_{n}\right\}_{n \in \omega}$ such that $a_{0}=a, b_{0}=b, a_{i} \not \leq b_{i}$ for all $i \in \omega$, and for $X_{i} \in Q_{M}$, either $a_{2 i} \leq \bigwedge X_{i}$ or $b_{2 i} \geq x$ for some $x \in X_{i}$, and for $Y_{j} \in Q_{J}$, either $b_{2 i+1} \geq \bigvee Y_{j}$ or $a_{2 j+1} \leq y$ for some $y \in Y_{j}$. The upward and downward closure of $\left\{a_{n}\right\}_{n \in \omega}$ and $\left\{b_{n}\right\}_{n \in \omega}$ respectively yield the required pair.

## The Q-Lemma for Heyting Algebras

## Q-Lemma for HA

Let $A$ be a Heyting algebra, and $Q_{M}$ and $Q_{J}$ two countable $(\bigwedge, \rightarrow)$-complete sets of distributive meets and joins existing in $A$ respectively. Then for any $Q$-pair $(F, I)$ over $A$ and any $a, b \in A$, if $a \rightarrow b \notin F$, then there exists a $Q$-pair $\left(F^{\prime}, I^{\prime}\right)$ such that $F \cup\{a\} \subseteq F^{\prime}$ and $b \in I^{\prime}$.

## Proof.

This is an "internalized" version of the previous one.

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## Non-constructive representation theorems

- It is well-known that every Boolean algebra can be represented as a subalgebra of the powerset of its dual Stone space. (Stone representation theorem).
- This result generalizes to distributive lattices and Heyting algebras: every distributive lattice can be represented as a subalgebra of the upsets of its dual Priestley (resp. Esakia) space. (Priestley (resp. Esakia) representation theorem).
- Those results are non-constructive: they provide prime-filter based representations and therefore rely on the Prime Filter Theorem.


## Constructive representation for Boolean algebras

- There exists however an elegant choice-free representation theorem for Boolean algebras: the filter space construction.


## Definition (Filter-space)

Let $B$ be a Boolean algebra. The filter-space of $B$ is the topological space $\left(S_{B}, \tau\right)$, where $S_{B}$ is the set of all proper filters over $B$, and $\tau$ is the upset topology induced by the inclusion ordering.

## Lemma

Let $B$ be a Boolean algebra and $\left(S_{B}, \tau\right)$ its filter space. Then the Stone map $|\cdot|: B \rightarrow \mathscr{P}\left(S_{B}\right)$ is an embedding of $B$ into the regular opens $\mathrm{RO}\left(S_{B}\right)$ of $\left(S_{B}, \tau\right)$.

- In fact, $\mathrm{RO}\left(S_{B}\right)$ is the canonical extension of $B$.


## Constructive representation for Boolean algebras

- This result relies on the well-known topological fact that the regular opens of any topological space form a complete Boolean algebra.
- In point-free topological terms: the IC operator (Interior-Closure) is the double negation nucleus on the frame of opens of any topological space.
- Can we follow a similar strategy for all distributive lattices?


## Refined bi-topological spaces

## Definition

A refined bi-topological space is a bi-topological space $\left(X, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right)$ such that $\tau_{1} \subseteq \tau_{2}$

## Lemma

Let $\left(X, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right)$ be a refined bi-topological space. Then the operator $I_{1} C_{2}$ (Interior in $\tau_{1}$, Closure in $\tau_{2}$ ) is a nucleus on the frame of opens in $\tau_{1}$.

## Corollary

Let $\left(X, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right)$ be a refined bi-topological space. Then $\mathrm{RO}_{12}(X)$ is a $c H A$.

## Constructive representation theorem for distributive lattices

## Definition

Let $L$ be a lattice. A pseudo-complete pair over $L$ is a pair $(F, I)$ such that:

- $F$ is a filter, $I$ is an ideal, and $F \cap I=\emptyset$ (compatible pair);
- For any $a \in F, b \in I$ and $c \in L$, if $a \wedge c \leq b$, then $c \in I$ (Right Meet Property);
- For any $a \in F, b \in I$ and $c \in L$, if $a \leq b \vee c$, then $c \in F$ (Left Join Property).


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## Lemma (ZF)

Let $L$ be a lattice. Then $L$ is distributive iff for any compatible pair $(F, I)$ over $L$, there exists a pseudo-complete pair $\left(F^{*}, I^{*}\right)$ such that $F \subseteq F^{*}$ and $I \subseteq I^{*}$.

## Constructive representation theorem for distributive lattices

## Definition

Let $L$ be a distributive lattice. The canonical filter-ideal space is the refined bitopological space $\left(S_{L}, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right)$, where $S_{L}$ is the set of all pseudo-complete pairs over $L$, and $\tau_{1}$ and $\tau_{2}$ are the upset topologies induced by the filter inclusion ordering and the filter-ideal inclusion ordering respectively.

## Theorem

Let $L$ be a distributive lattice, and $\left(S_{L}, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right)$ its canonical filter-ideal space. Then the Stone map: $|\cdot|: L \rightarrow \mathscr{P}\left(S_{L}\right)$ defined by $|a|=\left\{(F, I) \in S_{L} ; a \in F\right\}$ is a DL-embedding of $L$ into $\mathrm{RO}_{12}\left(S_{L}\right)$. Additionally, if $L$ is a Heyting algebra, then $|\cdot|$ is a HA-embedding.

## A note on completions

- For any distributive lattice $L$ with canonical filter-ideal space $\left(S_{L}, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right), \mathrm{RO}_{12}\left(S_{L}\right)$ is the canonical extension of $L$.
- But one can also slightly modify the canonical filter-ideal space ( $S_{L}, \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}$ ) of a distributive lattice $L$ in order to realize various kind of completions as $\mathrm{RO}_{12}\left(S_{L}\right)$.
- For example, letting $\tau_{+}$and $\tau_{-}$be the topologies generated by the bases $\{|a| ; a \in L\}$ and $\left\{|a|^{-} ; a \in L\right\}$ respectively, we have that $\mathrm{RO}_{+-}\left(S_{L}\right)$ is the MacNeille completion of $L$.
- Alternatively, for $Q_{M}$ and $Q_{J}$ as above, letting $Q_{L}$ be the set of all pseudo-complete $Q$-pairs, we have that $\mathrm{RO}_{12}\left(Q_{L}\right)$ is a completion of $L$ that preserves precisely all infinite meets in $Q_{M}$ and all infinite joins in $Q_{J}$. The proof requires the $Q$-Lemma.


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## Completeness results

- Rasiowa and Sikorski applied their lemma to the Lindenbaum-Tarski algebra of CPL and gave a new proof of the completeness of CPL with respect to Tarskian models.
- Similarly, a combination of the Rasiowa-Sikorski Lemma for Heyting algebras and Esakia representation theorem yields a very similar proof of the Kripke completeness of Intuitionistic Predicate Logic with Constant Domains (IPL).
- But semi-constructive methods can also be used to prove the completeness of CPL with respect to possibility semantics.


## Possibility semantics

## Definition (Regular map)

Let $\left(P, \leq_{1},\right)$ and $\left(Q, \leq_{2}\right)$ be posets. A map $f: P \rightarrow Q$ is regular if for every $x \in P$ and $a \in Q$, if for all $y \geq_{1} x$ there is $z \geq_{1} y$ such that $a \leq 2 f(z)$, then $a \leq 2 f(x)$.

## Definition (First-order Possibility model)

A (first-order) possibility model is a tuple $(X, \leq, D, h, I)$ such that $\leq$ is a partial order on $X, D$ is a domain of individuals, $h$ is an assignment from $\operatorname{Var}(I P L)$ to $D$ and for each $R^{n} \in \operatorname{Re}\left((I P L), I\left(R^{n}\right)\right.$ is a monotone and regular map from $X$ to $\mathscr{P}\left(D^{n}\right)$.

## Possibility semantics

## Definition (Valuation)

Let $(X, \leq, D, h, I)$ be a first-order possibility model. The valuation $I^{*}: F m(I P L) \rightarrow \mathrm{RO}(X)$ is defined inductively as follows:

- $s \vDash T$ always, $s \vDash \perp$ never;
- $s \vDash R^{n}\left(v_{1}, \ldots, v_{n}\right)$ iff $\left(h\left(v_{1}\right), \ldots, h\left(v_{n}\right)\right) \in I\left(R^{n}\right)(x)$ for any $R^{n} \in \operatorname{Rel}(I P C), v_{1}, \ldots, v_{n} \in \operatorname{Var}(I P L)$;
- $s \vDash \phi \wedge \psi$ iff $s \vDash \phi$ and $s \vDash \psi$;
- $s \vDash \phi \vee \psi$ iff for all $y \geq s$ there is $z \geq y$ such that $z \vDash \phi$ or $z \vDash \psi$;
- $s \vDash \phi \rightarrow \psi$ iff for all $y \geq s$, if $y \vDash \phi$, then $y \vDash \psi$;
- $s \vDash \forall x \phi(x)$ iff $s \vDash \phi(x)[a / x]$ for all $a \in D$;
- $s \vDash \exists x \phi(x)$ iff for all $y \geq s$ there is $z \geq y$ such that $z \vDash \phi(x)[a / x]$ for some $a \in D$.

A formula $\phi$ is valid on a possibility model $(X, \leq, D, h, I)$ if $I^{*}(\phi)=X$.

## Possibility semantics

- Classical Predicate Logic (CPL) is sound and complete with respect to first-order possibility models.
- The completeness proof involves the construction of a term model based on the filter space of the Lindenbaum-Tarski algebra of CPL, restricted to the set of Q-filters, for $Q=\{\{\phi(x) ; x \in \operatorname{Var}\} ; \phi \in F m /\}$, and uses Tarski's Lemma.


## Intuitionistic Possibility semantics

## Definition (Refined regular map)

Let $(P, \preccurlyeq 1, \preccurlyeq 2)$ be a refined preorder and $(Q, \leq)$ a poset. A map $f: P \rightarrow Q$ is refined regular if for every $x \in P$ and $a \in Q$, if for all $y \succcurlyeq_{1} x$ there is $z \succcurlyeq_{2} y$ such that $a \leq f(z)$, then $a \leq f(x)$.

## Definition (First-order Possibility model)

A (first-order) intuitionistic possibility model (IP-model) is a tuple $\left(X, \preccurlyeq_{1}, \leq_{2}, D, h, I\right)$ such that $\left(X, \preccurlyeq_{1}, \leq_{2}\right)$ is a refined bi-preorder, $\leq_{2}$ is a partial order on $X, D$ is a domain of individuals, $h$ is an assignment from $\operatorname{Var}(I P L)$ to $D$ and for each $R^{n} \in \operatorname{Re}\left((I P L), I\left(R^{n}\right)\right.$ is a monotone and refined regular map from $X$ to $\mathscr{P}\left(D^{n}\right)$.

## IP semantics

## Definition (Valuation)

Let $\left(X, \preccurlyeq_{1}, \leq_{2}, D, h, I\right)$ be a first-order IP model. The valuation $I^{*}: F m(I P L) \rightarrow \mathrm{RO}_{12}(X)$ is defined inductively as follows:

- $s \Vdash \top$ always, $s \Vdash \perp$ never;
- $s \Vdash R^{n}\left(v_{1}, \ldots, v_{n}\right)$ iff $\left(h\left(v_{1}\right), \ldots, h\left(v_{n}\right)\right) \in I\left(R^{n}\right)(x)$ for any $R^{n} \in \operatorname{Rel}(I P C), v_{1}, \ldots, v_{n} \in \operatorname{Var}(I P L) ;$
- $s \Vdash \phi \wedge \psi$ iff $s \Vdash \phi$ and $s \Vdash \psi$;
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- $s \Vdash \phi \rightarrow \psi$ iff for all $y \geq s$, if $y \Vdash \phi$, then $y \Vdash \psi$;
- $s \Vdash \forall x \phi(x)$ iff $s \Vdash \phi(x)[a / x]$ for all $a \in D$;
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A formula $\phi$ is valid on an IP model $\left(X, \preccurlyeq_{1}, \leq_{2}, D, h, I\right)$ if $I^{*}(\phi)=X$.


## IP semantics

- "Intuitive" picture of an IP-model $\left(X, \preccurlyeq_{1}, \leq_{2}, D, h, I\right)$ : $X$ represents a set of (partial) states of information.
- Two agents, Eloise and Abelard, order these states of information as possible developments of one another.
- Namely, for any $x, y \in X$ :
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- Eloise and Abelard are in an asymmetric Student / Instructor relation: Abelard knows at least as much as Eloise (i.e. $\leq_{2} \subseteq \preccurlyeq 1$ ).
- In particular, Eloise may fail to distinguish two different states of information, while Abelard doesn't. (i.e. $\preccurlyeq 1$ is a preorder vs. $\leq_{2}$ is a partial order)


## IP semantics

- Idea behind the forcing relation: Abelard is testing Eloise's knowledge of some formula at a given state of information.
- Eloise knows $\phi$ iff for every question asked by Abelard, Eloise can reply $\phi$ in a way that is satisfactory to Abelard.
- Formally: $s \Vdash \phi$ iff $\forall y \succcurlyeq_{1} s \exists z \geq_{2} y: z \Vdash \phi$.


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- Intuitionistic Predicate Logic with Constant Domains (IPL) is sound and complete with respect to first-order possibility models.
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## Kripke and possibility frames as degenerate IP-frames

## Lemma

- Let $M_{1}:=\left(X, \leq_{1}\right)$ be a Kripke model. Then $M_{2}:=\left(X, \leq_{1}, \Delta_{X}\right)$, where $\Delta_{X}$ is the identity on $X$, is an IP-model. Moreover, for any formula $\phi \in F m_{I P C}$ and any $x \in X, M_{1}, x \Vdash \phi$ iff $M_{2}, x \Vdash \phi$.
- Let $M_{1}:=\left(X, \leq_{1}\right)$ be a possibility model. Then $M_{2}:=\left(X, \leq_{1}, \leq_{1}\right)$, is an IP-model. Moreover, for any formula $\phi \in F m_{I P C}$ and any $x \in X$, $M_{1}, x \Vdash \phi$ iff $M_{2}, x \Vdash \phi$.
- Intuitively: Kripke frames are those IP-frames in which Abelard knows much more than Eloise. Possibility frames are those IP-frames in which Eloise knows as much as Abelard.


## The semantic hierarchy for intuitionistic logic

- The following hierarchy of semantics for IPC is well-known:

Kripke frames $\prec$ Topological spaces $\prec$ Heyting algebras

## Lemma

For any complete Heyting algebra $A$, there exists an IP-frame $\left(X, \preccurlyeq_{1}, \leq_{2}\right)$ such that $A$ is isomorphic to $\mathrm{RO}_{12}(X)$.

- This means that we can complete the hierarchy as follows:

Kripke frames $\prec$ Topological spaces $\prec$ IP-frames $\prec$ Heyting algebras

- In fact, the propositional fragment of IP-semantics is equivalent to Dragalin semantics (Bezhanishvili and Holliday 2016), and a restriction of FM-frames for lax logic (Fairtlough-Mendler 1997).


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## Open problems

- Can we generalize the $Q$-Lemma to varieties of non-distributive lattices?
- What kind of completions of DL and HA are realized as refined regular opens of filter-ideal spaces with bitopologies in the interval $\left[\left(\tau_{+}, \tau_{-}\right),\left(\tau_{1}, \tau_{2}\right)\right]$ ?
- Weakening of Kuznetsov's problem: Is every intermediate logic complete with respect to some class of IP-frames?


## Thank You!

