

## REALIZABILITY ALGEBRAS II : NEW MODELS OF ZF + DC

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ABSTRACT. Using the proof-program (Curry-Howard) correspondence, we give a new method to obtain models of ZF and relative consistency results in set theory. We show the relative consistency of ZF + DC + there exists a sequence of subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  the cardinals of which are strictly decreasing + other similar properties of  $\mathbb{R}$ . These results seem not to have been previously obtained by forcing.

### INTRODUCTION

The technology of *classical realizability* was developed in [15, 18] in order to extend the proof-program correspondence (also known as *Curry-Howard correspondence*) from pure intuitionistic logic to the whole of mathematical proofs, with excluded middle, axioms of ZF, dependent choice, existence of a well ordering on  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ , . . .

We show here that this technology is also a new method in order to build models of ZF and to obtain relative consistency results.

The main tools are :

- The notion of *realizability algebra* [18], which comes from combinatory logic [2] and plays a role similar to a set of forcing conditions. The extension from intuitionistic to classical logic was made possible by Griffin’s discovery [7] of the relation between the law of Peirce and the instruction `call-with-current-continuation` of the programming language SCHEME. In this paper, we only use the simplest case of realizability algebra, which I call *standard realizability algebra* ; somewhat like the *binary tree* in the case of forcing.
- The theory  $ZF_\varepsilon$  [13] which is a conservative extension of ZF, with a notion of *strong membership*, denoted as  $\varepsilon$ .

The theory  $ZF_\varepsilon$  is essentially ZF without the extensionality axiom. We note an analogy with the Fraenkel-Mostowski models with “urelements” : we obtain a non well orderable set, which is a Boolean algebra denoted  $\mathfrak{J}2$ , all elements of which (except 1) are empty. But we also notice two important differences :

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- The final model of  $\text{ZF} + \neg \text{AC}$  is obtained directly, without taking a suitable submodel.
- There exists an injection from the “pathological set”  $\mathfrak{J2}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ , and therefore  $\mathbb{R}$  is also not well orderable.

We show the consistency, relatively to the consistency of  $\text{ZF}$ , of the theory  $\text{ZF} + \text{DC}$  (dependent choice) with the following properties :

there exists a sequence  $(\mathcal{X}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of infinite subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ , the “cardinals” of which are strictly increasing (this means that there is an injection but no surjection from  $\mathcal{X}_n$  to  $\mathcal{X}_{n+1}$ ), and such that  $\mathcal{X}_m \times \mathcal{X}_n$  is equipotent with  $\mathcal{X}_{mn}$  for  $m, n \geq 2$  ;

there exists a sequence of infinite subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ , the “cardinals” of which are strictly decreasing.

More detailed properties of  $\mathbb{R}$  in this model are given in theorems 5.5 and 5.9.

As far as I know, these consistency results are new, and it seems they cannot be obtained by forcing. But, in any case, the fact that the simplest non trivial realizability model (which I call the *model of threads*) has a real line with such unusual properties, is of interest in itself. Another aspect of these results, which is interesting from the point of view of computer science, is the following : in [18], we introduce *read* and *write* instructions in a global memory, in order to realize a weak form of the axiom of choice (well ordering of  $\mathbb{R}$ ). Therefore, what we show here, is that these instructions are *indispensable* : without them, we can build a realizability model in which  $\mathbb{R}$  is not well ordered.

## 1. STANDARD REALIZABILITY ALGEBRAS

The structure of *realizability algebra*, and the particular case of *standard realizability algebra* are defined in [18]. They are variants of the usual notion of *combinatory algebra*. Here, we only need the *standard* realizability algebras, the definition of which we recall below :

We have a countable set  $\Pi_0$  which is the set of *stack constants*.

We define recursively two sets :  $\Lambda$  (the set of *terms*) and  $\Pi$  (the set of *stacks*). Terms and stacks are finite sequences of elements of the set :

$$\Pi_0 \cup \{B, C, E, I, K, W, \mathbf{cc}, \varsigma, \mathbf{k}, (, ), [, ], \cdot\}$$

which are obtained by the following rules :

- $B, C, E, I, K, W, \mathbf{cc}, \varsigma$  are terms (*elementary combinators*) ;
- each element of  $\Pi_0$  is a stack (*empty stacks*) ;
- if  $\xi, \eta$  are terms, then  $(\xi)\eta$  is a term (this operation is called *application*) ;
- if  $\xi$  is a term and  $\pi$  a stack, then  $\xi \cdot \pi$  is a stack (this operation is called *push*) ;
- if  $\pi$  is a stack, then  $\mathbf{k}[\pi]$  is a term.

A term of the form  $\mathbf{k}[\pi]$  is called a *continuation*. From now on, it will be denoted as  $\mathbf{k}_\pi$ .

A term which does not contain any continuation (i.e. in which the symbol  $\mathbf{k}$  does not appear) is called *proof-like*.

Every stack has the form  $\pi = \xi_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \xi_n \cdot \pi_0$ , where  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi_0 \in \Pi_0$ , i.e.  $\pi_0$  is a stack constant.

If  $\xi \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ , the ordered pair  $(\xi, \pi)$  is called a *process* and denoted as  $\xi \star \pi$  ;  $\xi$  and  $\pi$  are called respectively the *head* and the *stack* of the process  $\xi \star \pi$ .

The set of processes  $\Lambda \times \Pi$  will also be written  $\Lambda \star \Pi$ .

**Notation.**

For sake of brevity, the term  $(\dots((\xi)\eta_1)\eta_2)\dots\eta_n$  will be also denoted as  $(\xi)\eta_1\eta_2\dots\eta_n$  or  $\xi\eta_1\eta_2\dots\eta_n$ , if the meaning is clear. For example :  $\xi\eta\zeta = (\xi)\eta\zeta = (\xi\eta)\zeta = ((\xi)\eta)\zeta$ .

We now choose a recursive bijection from  $\Lambda$  onto  $\mathbb{N}$ , which is written  $\xi \mapsto \mathfrak{n}_\xi$ .

We put  $\sigma = (BW)(B)B$  (the characteristic property of  $\sigma$  is given below).

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define  $\underline{n} \in \Lambda$  recursively, by putting :  $\underline{0} = KI$  ;  $\underline{n+1} = (\sigma)\underline{n}$  ;  $\underline{n}$  is the  $n$ -th integer and  $\sigma$  is the *successor* in combinatory logic.

We define a preorder relation  $\succ$  on  $\Lambda \star \Pi$ . It is the least reflexive and transitive relation such that, for all  $\xi, \eta, \zeta \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi, \varpi \in \Pi$ , we have :

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi)\eta \star \pi &\succ \xi \star \eta \cdot \pi. \\ I \star \xi \cdot \pi &\succ \xi \star \pi. \\ K \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi &\succ \xi \star \pi. \\ E \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi &\succ (\xi)\eta \star \pi. \\ W \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi &\succ \xi \star \eta \cdot \eta \cdot \pi. \\ C \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi &\succ \xi \star \zeta \cdot \eta \cdot \pi. \\ B \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi &\succ (\xi)(\eta)\zeta \star \pi. \\ \mathbf{cc} \star \xi \cdot \pi &\succ \xi \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \pi. \\ \mathbf{k}_\pi \star \xi \cdot \varpi &\succ \xi \star \pi. \\ \varsigma \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi &\succ \xi \star \underline{\mathfrak{n}}_\eta \cdot \pi. \end{aligned}$$

For instance, with the definition of  $\underline{0}$  and  $\sigma$  given above, we have :

$$\underline{0} \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \succ \eta \star \pi ; \sigma \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi \succ (\xi\eta)(\eta)\zeta \star \pi.$$

Finally, we have a subset  $\perp$  of  $\Lambda \star \Pi$  which is a final segment for this preorder, which means that :  $\xi \star \pi \in \perp, \xi' \star \pi' \succ \xi \star \pi \Rightarrow \xi' \star \pi' \in \perp$ .

In other words, we ask that  $\perp$  has the following properties :

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi)\eta \star \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp. \\ I \star \xi \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \pi \notin \perp. \\ K \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \pi \notin \perp. \\ E \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow (\xi)\eta \star \pi \notin \perp. \\ W \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \eta \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp. \\ C \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \zeta \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp. \\ B \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow (\xi)(\eta)\zeta \star \pi \notin \perp. \\ \mathbf{cc} \star \xi \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \pi \notin \perp. \\ \mathbf{k}_\pi \star \xi \cdot \varpi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \pi \notin \perp. \\ \varsigma \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp &\Rightarrow \xi \star \underline{\mathfrak{n}}_\eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp. \end{aligned}$$

**Remark.** Thus, the only arbitrary elements in a standard realizability algebra are the set  $\Pi_0$  of stack constants and the set  $\perp$  of processes.

**c-terms and  $\lambda$ -terms.**

We call **c-term** a term which is built with variables, the elementary combinators  $B, C, E, I, K, W, \mathbf{cc}, \varsigma$  and the application (binary function). A closed **c-term** is exactly what we have called a proof-like term.

Given a **c-term**  $t$  and a variable  $x$ , we define inductively on  $t$ , a new **c-term** denoted by  $\lambda x t$ , which does not contain  $x$ . To this aim, we apply the first possible case in the following list :

1.  $\lambda x t = (K)t$  if  $t$  does not contain  $x$ .
2.  $\lambda x x = I$ .

3.  $\lambda x tu = (C\lambda x(E)t)u$  if  $u$  does not contain  $x$ .
4.  $\lambda x tx = (E)t$  if  $t$  does not contain  $x$ .
5.  $\lambda x tx = (W)\lambda x(E)t$  (if  $t$  contains  $x$ ).
6.  $\lambda x(t)(u)v = \lambda x(B)tuv$  (if  $uv$  contains  $x$ ).

In [18], it is shown that this definition is correct. This allows us to translate every  $\lambda$ -term into a  $\mathbf{c}$ -term. In the following, almost every  $\mathbf{c}$ -term will be written as a  $\lambda$ -term. The fundamental property of this translation is given by theorem 1.1, which is proved in [18] :

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $t$  be a  $\mathbf{c}$ -term with the only variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  ; let  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ . Then  $\lambda x_1 \dots \lambda x_n t \star \xi_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \xi_n \cdot \pi \succ t[\xi_1/x_1, \dots, \xi_n/x_n] \star \pi$ .*

**Remark.** The property we need for the term  $\sigma$  (the *successor*) is  $\sigma \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \zeta \cdot \pi \succ (\xi\eta)(\eta)\zeta \star \pi$  (to prove theorem 4.12). Therefore, by theorem 1.1, we could define  $\sigma = \lambda n \lambda f \lambda x (nf)(f)x$ . The definition we chose is much simpler.

## 2. THE FORMAL SYSTEM

We write formulas and proofs in the language of first order logic. This formal language consists of :

- *individual variables*  $x, y, \dots$  ;
- *function symbols*  $f, g, \dots$  ; each one has an arity, which is an integer ; function symbols of arity 0 are called *constant symbols*.
- *relation symbols* ; each one has an arity ; relation symbols of arity 0 are called *propositional constants*. We have two particular propositional constants  $\top, \perp$  and three particular binary relation symbols  $\neq, \notin, \subseteq$ .

The *terms* are built in the usual way with individual variables and function symbols.

**Remark.** We use the word “term” with two different meanings : here as a term in a first order language, and previously as an element of the set  $\Lambda$  of a realizability algebra. I think that, with the help of the context, no confusion is possible.

The *atomic formulas* are the expressions  $R(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ , where  $R$  is a  $n$ -ary relation symbol, and  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  are terms.

*Formulas* are built as usual, from atomic formulas, *with the only logical symbols*  $\rightarrow, \forall$  :

- each atomic formula is a formula ;
- if  $A, B$  are formulas, then  $A \rightarrow B$  is a formula ;
- if  $A$  is a formula and  $x$  an individual variable, then  $\forall x A$  is a formula.

### Notations.

The formula  $A_1 \rightarrow (A_2 \rightarrow (\dots (A_n \rightarrow B) \dots))$  will be written  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rightarrow B$ .

The usual logical symbols are defined as follows :

$$\neg A \equiv A \rightarrow \perp ; A \vee B \equiv (A \rightarrow \perp), (B \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp ; A \wedge B \equiv (A, B \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp ; \exists x F \equiv \forall x (F \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp.$$

More generally, we shall write  $\exists x \{F_1, \dots, F_k\}$  for  $\forall x (F_1, \dots, F_k \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp$ .

We shall sometimes write  $\vec{F}$  for a finite sequence of formulas  $F_1, \dots, F_k$  ;

Then, we shall also write  $\vec{F} \rightarrow G$  for  $F_1, \dots, F_k \rightarrow G$  and  $\exists x \{\vec{F}\}$  for  $\forall x (\vec{F} \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp$ .

$A \leftrightarrow B$  is the pair of formulas  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow A\}$ .

The rules of natural deduction are the following (the  $A_i$ 's are formulas, the  $x_i$ 's are variables of  $\mathbf{c}$ -term,  $t, u$  are  $\mathbf{c}$ -terms, written as  $\lambda$ -terms) :

1.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash x_i : A_i$ .
2.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : A \rightarrow B, \quad x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash u : A$   
 $\Rightarrow x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash tu : B$ .
3.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n, x : A \vdash t : B \Rightarrow x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash \lambda x t : A \rightarrow B$ .
4.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : A \Rightarrow x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : \forall x A$  where  $x$  is an individual variable which does not appear in  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ .
5.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : \forall x A \Rightarrow x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : A[\tau/x]$  where  $x$  is an individual variable and  $\tau$  is a term.
6.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash \mathbf{cc} : ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A$  (law of Peirce).
7.  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : \perp \Rightarrow x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : A$  for every formula  $A$ .

### 3. THE THEORY $ZF_\varepsilon$

We write below a set of axioms for a theory called  $ZF_\varepsilon$ . Then :

- We show that  $ZF_\varepsilon$  is a conservative extension of ZF.
- We define the *realizability models* and we show that each axiom of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  is realized by a proof-like  $\mathbf{c}$ -term, in every realizability model.

It follows that the axioms of ZF are also realized by proof-like  $\mathbf{c}$ -terms in every realizability model.

We write the axioms of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  with the three binary relation symbols  $\notin, \not\subseteq, \subseteq$ . Of course,  $x \varepsilon y$  and  $x \in y$  are the formulas  $x \notin y \rightarrow \perp$  and  $x \not\subseteq y \rightarrow \perp$ .

The notation  $x \simeq y \rightarrow F$  means  $x \subseteq y, y \subseteq x \rightarrow F$ . Thus  $x \simeq y$ , which represents the usual (extensional) equality of sets, is the pair of formulas  $\{x \subseteq y, y \subseteq x\}$ .

We use the notations  $(\forall x \varepsilon a)F(x)$  for  $\forall x(\neg F(x) \rightarrow x \notin a)$  and  $(\exists x \varepsilon a)\bar{F}(x)$  for  $\neg \forall x(\bar{F}(x) \rightarrow x \notin a)$ .

For instance,  $(\exists x \varepsilon y)t \simeq u$  is the formula  $\neg \forall x(t \subseteq u, u \subseteq t \rightarrow x \notin y)$ .

The axioms of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  are the following :

0. Extensionality axioms.

$$\forall x \forall y [x \in y \leftrightarrow (\exists z \varepsilon y)x \simeq z] ; \forall x \forall y [x \subseteq y \leftrightarrow (\forall z \varepsilon x)z \in y].$$

1. Foundation scheme.

$$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a (\forall x ((\forall y \varepsilon x)F[y, x_1, \dots, x_n]) \rightarrow F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]) \rightarrow F[a, x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

for every formula  $F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

The intuitive meaning of axioms 0 and 1 is that  $\varepsilon$  is a well founded relation, and that the relation  $\in$  is obtained by “collapsing”  $\varepsilon$  into an extensional binary relation.

The following axioms essentially express that the relation  $\varepsilon$  satisfies the axioms of Zermelo-Fraenkel *except extensionality*.

2. Comprehension scheme.

$$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b \forall x (x \varepsilon b \leftrightarrow (x \varepsilon a \wedge F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]))$$

for every formula  $F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

3. Pairing axiom.

$$\forall a \forall b \exists x \{a \varepsilon x, b \varepsilon x\}.$$

4. Union axiom.

$$\forall a \exists b (\forall x \varepsilon a)(\forall y \varepsilon x) y \varepsilon b.$$

5. Power set axiom.

$$\forall a \exists b \forall x (\exists y \varepsilon b) \forall z (z \varepsilon y \leftrightarrow (z \varepsilon a \wedge z \varepsilon x)).$$

6. Collection scheme.

$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b (\forall x \varepsilon a) (\exists y F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow (\exists y \varepsilon b) F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n])$   
for every formula  $F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

7. Infinity scheme.

$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b \{a \varepsilon b, (\forall x \varepsilon b) (\exists y F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow (\exists y \varepsilon b) F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n])\}$   
for every formula  $F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

The usual Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory is obtained from  $ZF_\varepsilon$  by identifying the predicate symbols  $\notin$  and  $\subseteq$ . Thus, the axioms of ZF are written as follows, with the predicate symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$  (recall that  $x \simeq y$  is the conjunction of  $x \subseteq y$  and  $y \subseteq x$ ) :

0. Equality and extensionality axioms.

$\forall x \forall y [x \in y \leftrightarrow (\exists z \in y) x \simeq z] ; \forall x \forall y [x \subseteq y \leftrightarrow (\forall z \in x) z \in y]$ .

1. Foundation scheme.

$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a (\forall x ((\forall y \in x) F[y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]) \rightarrow F[a, x_1, \dots, x_n])$   
for every formula  $F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with the only relation symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

2. Comprehension scheme.

$\forall a \exists b \forall x (x \in b \leftrightarrow (x \in a \wedge F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]))$   
for every formula  $F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with the only relation symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

3. Pairing axiom.

$\forall a \forall b \exists x \{a \in x, b \in x\}$ .

4. Union axiom.

$\forall a \exists b (\forall x \in a) (\forall y \in x) y \in b$ .

5. Power set axiom.

$\forall a \exists b \forall x (\exists y \in b) \forall z (z \in y \leftrightarrow (z \in a \wedge z \in x))$ .

6. Collection scheme.

$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b (\forall x \in a) (\exists y F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow (\exists y \in b) F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n])$   
for every formula  $F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with the only relation symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

7. Infinity scheme.

$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \forall a \exists b \{a \in b, (\forall x \in b) (\exists y F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow (\exists y \in b) F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n])\}$   
for every formula  $F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with the only relation symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

**Remark.** The usual statement of the axiom of infinity is the particular case of this scheme, where  $a$  is  $\emptyset$ , and  $F(x, y)$  is the formula  $y \simeq x \cup \{x\}$ .

Let us show that  $ZF_\varepsilon$  is a conservative extension of ZF. First, it is clear that, if  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash F$ , where  $F$  is a formula of ZF (i.e. written only with  $\notin$  and  $\subseteq$ ), then  $ZF \vdash F$ ; indeed, it is sufficient to replace  $\notin$  with  $\notin$  in any proof of  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash F$ .

Conversely, we must show that each axiom of ZF is a consequence of  $ZF_\varepsilon$ .

**Theorem 3.1.**

- i)  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash \forall a (a \subseteq a)$  (and thus  $a \simeq a$ ).
- ii)  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash \forall a \forall x (x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \in a)$ .

*Proof.*

i) Using the foundation axiom, we assume  $\forall x (x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \subseteq x)$ , and we must show  $a \subseteq a$ ; therefore, we add the hypothesis  $x \varepsilon a$ . It follows that  $x \subseteq x$ , then  $x \simeq x$ , and therefore :  $\exists y \{x \simeq y, y \varepsilon a\}$ , that is to say  $x \in a$ . Thus, we have  $\forall x (x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \in a)$ , and therefore  $a \subseteq a$ .

ii) Just shown. □

**Corollary 3.2.**  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash \forall x(x \in a \rightarrow x \in b) \rightarrow a \subseteq b$ .

*Proof.* We must show  $x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \in b$ , which follows from  $x \in a \rightarrow x \in b$  and  $x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \in a$  (theorem 3.1(ii)).  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.**  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash a \subseteq b, \forall x(x \in b \rightarrow x \in c) \rightarrow a \subseteq c$ .

*Proof.* We must show  $x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \in c$ , which follows from  $x \varepsilon a \rightarrow x \in b$  and  $x \in b \rightarrow x \in c$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.**  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash \forall y \forall z(y \simeq a, a \in z \rightarrow y \in z)$  ;  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash \forall y \forall z(a \subseteq y, z \in a \rightarrow z \in y)$ .

*Proof.* Call  $F(a), F'(a)$  these two formulas. We show  $F(a)$  by foundation : thus, we suppose  $(\forall x \varepsilon a)F(x)$  and we first show  $F'(a)$  : by hypothesis, we have  $a \subseteq y, z \in a$  ; thus, there exists  $a'$  such that  $z \simeq a'$  and  $a' \varepsilon a$ , and thus  $F(a')$ . From  $a' \varepsilon a$  and  $a \subseteq y$ , we deduce  $a' \in y$ . From  $z \simeq a'$  and  $a' \in y$ , we deduce  $z \in y$  by  $F(a')$ . Then, we show  $F(a)$  : by hypothesis, we have  $y \simeq a, a \in z$ , thus  $a \simeq y'$  and  $y' \varepsilon z$  for some  $y'$ . In order to show  $y \in z$ , it is sufficient to show  $y \simeq y'$ . Now, we have  $y \simeq a, a \simeq y'$ , and thus  $y' \subseteq a, a \subseteq y$ . From  $F'(a)$ , we get  $\forall z(z \in a \rightarrow z \in y)$  ; from  $y' \subseteq a$ , we deduce  $y' \subseteq y$  by lemma 3.3. We have also  $y \subseteq a, a \subseteq y'$ . From  $F'(a)$ , we get  $\forall z(z \in a \rightarrow z \in y')$  ; from  $y \subseteq a$ , we deduce  $y \subseteq y'$  by lemma 3.3.  $\square$

With corollary 3.2, we obtain :

**Corollary 3.5.**  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash b \subseteq c \leftrightarrow \forall x(x \in b \rightarrow x \in c)$ .  $\square$

It is now easy to deduce the equality and extensionality axioms of ZF :

$\forall x(x \simeq x)$  ;  $\forall x \forall y(x \simeq y \rightarrow y \simeq x)$  ;  $\forall x \forall y \forall z(x \simeq y, y \simeq z \rightarrow x \simeq z)$  ;  
 $\forall x \forall x' \forall y \forall y'(x \simeq x', y \simeq y', x \notin y \rightarrow x' \notin y')$  ;  $\forall x \forall y(\forall z(z \notin x \leftrightarrow z \notin y) \rightarrow x \simeq y)$  ;  
 $\forall x \forall y(x \subseteq y \leftrightarrow \forall z(z \notin y \rightarrow z \notin x))$ .

**Remark.** This shows that  $\simeq$  is an equivalence relation which is compatible with the relations  $\in$  and  $\subseteq$  ; but, in general, it is *not compatible with*  $\varepsilon$ . It is the equality relation for ZF ; it will be called *extensional equivalence*.

**Notation.** The formula  $\forall z(z \notin y \rightarrow z \notin x)$  will be written  $x \subset y$ . The ordered pair of formulas  $x \subset y, y \subset x$  will be written  $x \sim y$ .

By theorem 3.1, we get  $ZF_\varepsilon \vdash \forall x \forall y(x \subset y \rightarrow x \subseteq y)$ . Thus  $\subset$  will be called *strong inclusion*, and  $\sim$  will be called *strong extensional equivalence*.

• Foundation scheme.

Let  $F[x]$  be written with only  $\notin, \subseteq$  and let  $G[x]$  be the formula  $\forall y(y \simeq x \rightarrow F[y])$ . Clearly,  $\forall x G[x]$  is equivalent to  $\forall x F[x]$ . Therefore, from axiom scheme 1 of  $ZF_\varepsilon$ , it is sufficient to show :  $\forall b(\forall x(x \in b \rightarrow F[x]) \rightarrow F[b]) \rightarrow (\forall x(x \varepsilon a \rightarrow G[x]) \rightarrow G[a])$ , i.e. :

$\forall b(\forall x(x \in b \rightarrow F[x]) \rightarrow F[b]), \forall x \forall y(x \varepsilon a, y \simeq x \rightarrow F[y]), a \simeq b \rightarrow F[b]$ .

Therefore, it is sufficient to prove :  $\forall x \forall y(x \varepsilon a, y \simeq x \rightarrow F[y]), a \simeq b \rightarrow \forall x(x \in b \rightarrow F[x])$ .

From  $x \in b, a \simeq b$ , we deduce  $x \in a$  and therefore (by axiom 0),  $x' \varepsilon a$  for some  $x' \simeq x$ . Finally, we get  $F[x]$  from  $\forall x \forall y(x \varepsilon a, y \simeq x \rightarrow F[y])$ .

• Comprehension scheme :  $\forall a \exists b \forall x(x \in b \leftrightarrow (x \in a \wedge F[x]))$

for every formula  $F[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

From the axiom scheme 2 of  $ZF_\varepsilon$ , we get  $\forall x(x \varepsilon b \leftrightarrow (x \varepsilon a \wedge F[x]))$ . If  $x \in b$ , then  $x \simeq x', x' \varepsilon b$  for some  $x'$ . Thus  $x' \varepsilon a$  and  $F[x']$ . From  $x \simeq x'$  and  $x' \varepsilon a$ , we deduce  $x \in a$ . Since  $\subseteq$  and  $\in$  are compatible with  $\simeq$ , it is the same for  $F$  ; thus, we obtain  $F[x]$ .

Conversely, if we have  $F[x]$  and  $x \in a$ , we have  $x \simeq x'$  and  $x' \varepsilon a$  for some  $x'$ . Since  $F$  is compatible with  $\simeq$ , we get  $F[x']$ , thus  $x' \varepsilon b$  and  $x \in b$ .

- Pairing axiom :  $\forall x \forall y \exists z \{x \in z, y \in z\}$ .

Trivial consequence of axiom 3 of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ , and theorem 3.1(ii).

- Union axiom :  $\forall a \exists b \forall x \forall y (x \in a, y \in x \rightarrow y \in b)$ .

From  $x \in a$  we have  $x \simeq x'$  and  $x' \varepsilon a$  for some  $x'$ ; we have  $y \in x$ , therefore  $y \in x'$ , thus  $y \simeq y'$  and  $y' \varepsilon x'$  for some  $y'$ . From axiom 4 of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ ,  $x' \varepsilon a$  and  $y' \varepsilon x'$ , we get  $y' \varepsilon b$ ; therefore  $y \in b$ , by  $y \simeq y'$ .

- Power set axiom :  $\forall a \exists b \forall x \exists y \{y \in b, \forall z (z \in y \leftrightarrow (z \in a \wedge z \in x))\}$

Given  $a$ , we obtain  $b$  by axiom 5 of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ ; given  $x$ , we define  $x'$  by the condition :

$\forall z (z \varepsilon x' \leftrightarrow (z \varepsilon a \wedge z \in x))$  (comprehension scheme of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ ). By definition of  $b$ , there exists  $y \varepsilon b$  such that  $\forall z (z \varepsilon y \leftrightarrow z \varepsilon a \wedge z \varepsilon x')$ , and therefore  $\forall z (z \varepsilon y \leftrightarrow z \varepsilon a \wedge z \in x)$ .

It follows easily that  $\forall z (z \in y \leftrightarrow z \in a \wedge z \in x)$ .

- Collection scheme :  $\forall a \exists b (\forall x \in a) (\exists y F[x, y] \rightarrow (\exists y \in b) F[x, y])$

for every formula  $F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with the only relation symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

From  $x \in a$  and  $\exists y F[x, y]$ , we get  $x \simeq x'$ ,  $x' \varepsilon a$  for some  $x'$ , and thus  $\exists y F[x', y]$  since  $F$  is compatible with  $\simeq$ . From axiom scheme 6 of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ , we get  $(\exists y \varepsilon b) F[x', y]$ , and therefore  $(\exists y \in b) F[x, y]$ , by theorem 3.1(ii), again because  $F$  is compatible with  $\simeq$ .

- Infinity scheme :  $\forall a \exists b \{a \in b, (\forall x \in b) (\exists y F[x, y] \rightarrow (\exists y \in b) F[x, y])\}$

for every formula  $F[x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  written with the only relation symbols  $\notin, \subseteq$ .

Same proof.

#### 4. REALIZABILITY MODELS OF $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$

As usual in relative consistency proofs, we start with a model  $\mathcal{M}$  of ZFC, called *the ground model* or *the standard model*. In particular, the integers of  $\mathcal{M}$  are called *the standard integers*.

The elements of  $\mathcal{M}$  will be called *individuals*.

In the sequel, the model  $\mathcal{M}$  will be our universe, which means that every notion we consider is defined in  $\mathcal{M}$ . In particular, the realizability algebra  $(\Lambda, \Pi, \perp)$  is an individual of  $\mathcal{M}$ .

We define a *realizability model*  $\mathcal{N}$ , with the same set of individuals as  $\mathcal{M}$ . But  $\mathcal{N}$  is not a model in the usual sense, because its truth values are subsets of  $\Pi$  instead of being 0 or 1. Therefore, although  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  have the same domain (the quantifier  $\forall x$  describes the same domain for both), the model  $\mathcal{N}$  may (and will, in all non trivial cases) have much more individuals than  $\mathcal{M}$ , because it has individuals which are *not named*. In particular, it will have *non standard integers*.

**Remark.** This is a great difference between *realizability* and *forcing* models of ZF. In a forcing model, each individual is named in the ground model; it follows that integers, and even ordinals, are not changed.

For each closed formula  $F$  with parameters in  $\mathcal{M}$ , we define two truth values :

$\|F\| \subseteq \Pi$  and  $|F| \subseteq \Lambda$ .

$|F|$  is defined immediately from  $\|F\|$  as follows :

$$\xi \in |F| \Leftrightarrow (\forall \pi \in \|F\|) \xi \star \pi \in \perp.$$

**Notation.** We shall write  $\xi \Vdash F$  (read “ $\xi$  realizes  $F$ ”) for  $\xi \in |F|$ .



$\|F\|$  is now defined by recurrence on the length of  $F$  :

- $F$  is atomic ;

then  $F$  has one of the forms  $\top$ ,  $\perp$ ,  $a \neq b$ ,  $a \subseteq b$ ,  $a \not\subseteq b$  where  $a, b$  are parameters in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

We set :

$$\|\top\| = \emptyset ; \quad \|\perp\| = \Pi ; \quad \|a \neq b\| = \{\pi \in \Pi; (a, \pi) \in b\}.$$

$\|a \subseteq b\|, \|a \not\subseteq b\|$  are defined simultaneously by induction on  $(\text{rk}(a) \cup \text{rk}(b), \text{rk}(a) \cap \text{rk}(b))$  ( $\text{rk}(a)$  being the rank of  $a$ ).

$$\|a \subseteq b\| = \bigcup_c \{\xi \cdot \pi; \xi \in \Lambda, \pi \in \Pi, (c, \pi) \in a, \xi \Vdash c \not\subseteq b\} ;$$

$$\|a \not\subseteq b\| = \bigcup_c \{\xi \cdot \xi' \cdot \pi; \xi, \xi' \in \Lambda, \pi \in \Pi, (c, \pi) \in b, \xi \Vdash a \subseteq c, \xi' \Vdash c \subseteq a\}.$$

- $F \equiv A \rightarrow B$  ; then  $\|F\| = \{\xi \cdot \pi ; \xi \Vdash A, \pi \in \|B\|\}$ .

- $F \equiv \forall x A$  : then  $\|F\| = \bigcup_a \|A[a/x]\|$ .

The following theorem is an essential tool :

**Theorem 4.1** (Adequacy lemma).

Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, A$  be closed formulas of  $ZF_\varepsilon$ , and suppose that  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n \vdash t : A$ .

If  $\xi_1 \Vdash A_1, \dots, \xi_n \Vdash A_n$  then  $t[\xi_1/x_1, \dots, \xi_n/x_n] \Vdash A$ .

In particular, if  $\vdash t : A$ , then  $t \Vdash A$ .

We need to prove a (seemingly) more general result, that we state as a lemma :

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, A_n[\vec{z}], A[\vec{z}]$  be formulas of  $ZF_\varepsilon$ , with  $\vec{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_k)$  as free variables, and suppose that  $x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash t : A[\vec{z}]$ .

If  $\xi_1 \Vdash A_1[\vec{a}], \dots, \xi_n \Vdash A_n[\vec{a}]$  for some parameters (i.e. individuals in  $\mathcal{M}$ )

$\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_k)$ , then  $t[\xi_1/x_1, \dots, \xi_n/x_n] \Vdash A[\vec{a}]$ .

*Proof.* By recurrence on the length of the derivation of  $x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash t : A[\vec{z}]$ .

We consider the last used rule.

1.  $x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash x_i : A_i[\vec{z}]$ . This case is trivial.

2. We have the hypotheses :

$$x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash u : B[\vec{z}] \rightarrow A[\vec{z}] ; \quad x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash v : B[\vec{z}] ; \quad t = uv.$$

By the induction hypothesis, we have  $u[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash B[\vec{a}/\vec{z}] \rightarrow A[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  and  $v[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash B[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$ .

Therefore  $(uv)[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash A[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  which is the desired result.

3. We have the hypotheses :

$$x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}], y : B[\vec{z}] \vdash u : C[\vec{z}] ; \quad A[\vec{z}] \equiv B[\vec{z}] \rightarrow C[\vec{z}] ; \quad t = \lambda y u.$$

We want to show that  $(\lambda y u)[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash B[\vec{a}/\vec{z}] \rightarrow C[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$ . Thus, let :

$\eta \Vdash B[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  and  $\pi \in \|C[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]\|$ . We must show :

$$(\lambda y u)[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \star \eta \cdot \pi \in \perp \quad \text{or else} \quad u[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}, \eta/y] \star \pi \in \perp.$$

Now, by the induction hypothesis, we have  $u[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}, \eta/y] \Vdash C[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$ ,

which gives the result.

4. We have the hypotheses :

$$x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash t : B[\vec{z}] ; \quad A[\vec{z}] \equiv \forall z_1 B[\vec{z}] ; \quad \xi_i \Vdash A_i[a_1/z_1, a_2/z_2, \dots, a_k/z_k] ;$$

the variable  $z_1$  is not free in  $A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, A_n[\vec{z}]$ .

We have to show that  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash \forall z_1 B[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  i.e.  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash \forall z_1 B[a_2/z_2, \dots, a_k/z_k]$ . Thus, we

take an arbitrary set  $b$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  and we show  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash B[b/z_1, a_2/z_2, \dots, a_k/z_k]$ .

By the induction hypothesis, it is sufficient to show that  $\xi_i \Vdash A_i[b/z_1, a_2/z_2, \dots, a_k/z_k]$ .

But this follows from the hypothesis on  $\xi_i$ , because  $z_1$  is not free in the formulas  $A_i$ .

5. We have the hypotheses :

$x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash t : \forall y B[y, \vec{z}] ; A[\vec{z}] \equiv B[\tau[\vec{z}]/y, \vec{z}] ; \xi_i \Vdash A_i[\vec{a}]$ .

By the induction hypothesis, we have  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash \forall y B[y, \vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  ; therefore  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash B[b/y, \vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  for every parameter  $b$ . We get the desired result by taking  $b = \tau[\vec{a}]$ .

6. The result follows from the following :

**Theorem 4.3.** *For every formulas  $A, B$ , we have  $\mathbf{cc} \Vdash ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\xi \Vdash (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow A$  and  $\pi \in \|A\|$ . Then  $\mathbf{cc} \star \xi \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \pi$  which is in  $\perp$ , because  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \Vdash A \rightarrow B$  by lemma 4.4.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.4.** *If  $\pi \in \|A\|$ , then  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \Vdash A \rightarrow B$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed, let  $\xi \Vdash A$  ; then  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \star \xi \cdot \pi' \succ \xi \star \pi \in \perp$  for every stack  $\pi' \in \|B\|$ .  $\square$

7. We have the hypothesis  $x_1 : A_1[\vec{z}], \dots, x_n : A_n[\vec{z}] \vdash t : \perp$ .

By the induction hypothesis, we have  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash \perp$ . Since  $\|\perp\| = \Pi$ , we have  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \star \pi \in \perp$  for every  $\pi \in \|A[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]\|$ , and therefore  $t[\vec{\xi}/\vec{x}] \Vdash A[\vec{a}/\vec{z}]$  which is the desired result.

This completes the proof of lemma 4.2 and theorem 4.1.  $\square$

*Realized formulas and coherent models.* In the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ , we interpret the formulas of the *language of ZF* : this language consists of  $\notin, \subseteq$  ; we add some function symbols, but these functions are always defined, in  $\mathcal{M}$ , by some formulas written with  $\notin, \subseteq$ . We suppose that this ground model satisfies ZFC.

The value, in  $\mathcal{M}$ , of a closed formula  $F$  of the language of ZF, with parameters in  $\mathcal{M}$ , is of course 1 or 0. In the first case, we say that  $\mathcal{M}$  *satisfies*  $F$ , and we write  $\mathcal{M} \models F$ .

In the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , we interpret the formulas of the *language of  $ZF_\varepsilon$* , which consists of  $\notin, \in, \subseteq$  and the same function symbols as in the language of ZF. The domain of  $\mathcal{N}$  and the interpretation of the function symbols are the same as for the model  $\mathcal{M}$ .

The value, in  $\mathcal{N}$ , of a closed formula  $F$  of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  with parameters (in  $\mathcal{M}$  or in  $\mathcal{N}$ , which is the same thing) is an element of  $\mathcal{P}(\Pi)$  which is denoted as  $\|F\|$ , the definition of which has been given above.

Thus, we can no longer say that  $\mathcal{N}$  satisfies (or not) a given closed formula  $F$ . But we shall say that  $\mathcal{N}$  *realizes*  $F$  (and we shall write  $\mathcal{N} \Vdash F$ ), if there exists a proof-like term  $\theta$  such that  $\theta \Vdash F$ . We say that two closed formulas  $F, G$  are *interchangeable* if  $\mathcal{N} \Vdash F \leftrightarrow G$ . Notice that, if  $\|F\| = \|G\|$ , then  $F, G$  are interchangeable (indeed  $I \Vdash F \rightarrow G$ ), but the converse is far from being true.

The model  $\mathcal{N}$  allows us to make relative consistency proofs, since it is clear, from the adequacy lemma (theorem 4.1), that the class of formulas which are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  is closed by deduction in classical logic. Nevertheless, we must check that the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$  is *coherent*, i.e. that it does not realize the formula  $\perp$ . We can express this condition in the following form :

*For every proof-like term  $\theta$ , there exists a stack  $\pi \in \Pi$  such that  $\theta \star \pi \notin \perp$ .*

When the model  $\mathcal{N}$  is coherent, it is not *complete*, except in trivial cases. This means that there exist closed formulas  $F$  of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  such that  $\mathcal{N} \not\Vdash F$  and  $\mathcal{N} \not\Vdash \neg F$ .

**The axioms of  $\mathbf{ZF}_\varepsilon$  are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$ .**

- Extensionality axioms.

We have  $\|\forall z(z \notin b \rightarrow z \notin a)\| = \bigcup^c \{\xi \cdot \pi; \xi \Vdash c \notin b, \pi \in \|c \notin a\|\}$

by definition of the value of  $\|\forall z(z \notin b \rightarrow z \notin a)\|$  ;

and  $\|a \subseteq b\| = \bigcup^c \{\xi \cdot \pi; (c, \pi) \in a, \xi \Vdash c \notin b\}$  by definition of  $\|a \subseteq b\|$ .

Therefore, we have  $\|a \subseteq b\| = \|\forall z(z \notin b \rightarrow z \notin a)\|$ , so that :

$I \Vdash \forall x \forall y (x \subseteq y \rightarrow \forall z (z \notin y \rightarrow z \notin x))$  and  $I \Vdash \forall x \forall y (\forall z (z \notin y \rightarrow z \notin x) \rightarrow x \subseteq y)$ .

In the same way, we have :

$\|\forall z(a \subseteq z, z \subseteq a \rightarrow z \notin b)\| = \bigcup^c \{\xi \cdot \xi' \cdot \pi; \xi \Vdash a \subseteq c, \xi' \Vdash c \subseteq a; \pi \in \|c \notin b\|\}$

by definition of the value of  $\|\forall z(a \subseteq z, z \subseteq a \rightarrow z \notin b)\|$  ;

and  $\|a \notin b\| = \bigcup^c \{\xi \cdot \xi' \cdot \pi; (c, \pi) \in b, \xi \Vdash a \subseteq c, \xi' \Vdash c \subseteq a\}$  by definition of  $\|a \notin b\|$ .

Therefore, we have  $\|a \notin b\| = \|\forall z(a \subseteq z, z \subseteq a \rightarrow z \notin b)\|$ , so that :

$I \Vdash \forall x \forall y (x \notin y \rightarrow \forall z (x \subseteq z, z \subseteq x \rightarrow z \notin y))$  ;

$I \Vdash \forall x \forall y (\forall z (x \subseteq z, z \subseteq x \rightarrow z \notin y) \rightarrow x \notin y)$ .

**Notation.** We shall write  $\vec{\xi}$  for a finite sequence  $(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$  of terms. Therefore, we shall write  $\vec{\xi} \Vdash \vec{A}$  for  $\xi_i \Vdash A_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ).

In particular, the notation  $\vec{\xi} \Vdash a \simeq b$  means  $\xi_1 \Vdash a \subseteq b, \xi_2 \Vdash b \subseteq a$  ;

the notation  $\vec{\xi} \Vdash A \leftrightarrow B$  means  $\xi_1 \Vdash A \rightarrow B, \xi_2 \Vdash B \rightarrow A$ .

- Foundation scheme.

**Theorem 4.5.** *For every finite sequence  $\vec{F}[x, x_1, \dots, x_n]$  of formulas, we have :*

$\mathbf{Y} \Vdash \forall x (\forall y (\vec{F}[y] \rightarrow y \notin x), \vec{F}[x] \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \forall x (\vec{F}[x] \rightarrow \perp)$

with  $\mathbf{Y} = AA$  and  $A = \lambda a \lambda f (f)(a)af$  (Turing fixed point combinator).

*Proof.* Let  $\xi \Vdash \forall x (\forall y (\vec{F}[y] \rightarrow y \notin x), \vec{F}[x] \rightarrow \perp)$ . We show, by induction on the rank of  $a$ , that :

$\mathbf{Y} \star \xi \cdot \vec{\eta} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , for every  $\pi \in \Pi$  and  $\vec{\eta} \Vdash \vec{F}[a]$ .

Since  $\mathbf{Y} \star \xi \cdot \vec{\eta} \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \mathbf{Y} \xi \cdot \vec{\eta} \cdot \pi$ , it suffices to show  $\xi \star \mathbf{Y} \xi \cdot \vec{\eta} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

Now,  $\xi \Vdash \forall y (\vec{F}[y] \rightarrow y \notin a), \vec{F}[a] \rightarrow \perp$ , so that it suffices to show  $\mathbf{Y} \xi \Vdash \forall y (\vec{F}[y] \rightarrow y \notin a)$ ,

in other words  $\mathbf{Y} \xi \Vdash \vec{F}[b] \rightarrow b \notin a$  for every  $b$ . Let  $\vec{\zeta} \Vdash \vec{F}[b]$  and  $\varpi \in \|b \notin a\|$ . Thus, we

have  $(b, \varpi) \in a$ , therefore  $\text{rk}(b) < \text{rk}(a)$  so that  $\mathbf{Y} \star \xi \cdot \vec{\zeta} \cdot \varpi \in \perp$  by induction hypothesis.

It follows that  $\mathbf{Y} \xi \star \vec{\zeta} \cdot \varpi \in \perp$ , which is the desired result.  $\square$

It follows from theorem 4.5 that the axiom scheme 1 of  $\mathbf{ZF}_\varepsilon$  (foundation) is realized.

- Comprehension scheme.

Let  $a$  be a set, and  $F[x]$  a formula with parameters. We put :

$b = \{(x, \xi \cdot \pi); (x, \pi) \in a, \xi \Vdash F[x]\}$  ; then, we have trivially  $\|x \notin b\| = \|F(x) \rightarrow x \notin a\|$ .

Therefore  $I \Vdash \forall x (x \notin b \rightarrow (F(x) \rightarrow x \notin a))$  and  $I \Vdash \forall x ((F(x) \rightarrow x \notin a) \rightarrow x \notin b)$ .

- Pairing axiom.

We consider two sets  $a$  and  $b$ , and we put  $c = \{a, b\} \times \Pi$ . We have  $\|a \notin c\| = \|b \notin c\| = \|\perp\|$ ,

thus  $I \Vdash a \varepsilon c$  and  $I \Vdash b \varepsilon c$ .

**Remark.**

Except in trivial cases,  $c$  has many other elements than  $a$  and  $b$ , which have no name in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

• Union axiom.

Given a set  $a$ , let  $b = \text{Cl}(a)$  (the transitive closure of  $a$ , i.e. the least transitive set which contains  $a$ ). We show  $\|y \notin b \rightarrow x \notin a\| \subseteq \|y \notin x \rightarrow x \notin a\|$  :

indeed, let  $\xi \cdot \pi \in \|y \notin b \rightarrow x \notin a\|$ , i.e.  $\xi \Vdash y \notin b$  and  $(x, \pi) \in a$ .

Therefore,  $x \subseteq \text{Cl}(a)$ , i.e.  $x \subseteq b$  and thus  $\|y \notin b\| \supseteq \|y \notin x\|$ .

Thus, we have  $\xi \Vdash y \notin x$ , which gives the result.

It follows that  $I \Vdash \forall x \forall y ((y \notin x \rightarrow x \notin a) \rightarrow (y \notin b \rightarrow x \notin a))$ .

• Power set axiom.

Given a set  $a$ , let  $b = \mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}(a) \times \Pi) \times \Pi$ . For every set  $x$ , we put :

$y = \{(z, \xi \cdot \pi); \xi \Vdash z \varepsilon x, (z, \pi) \in a\}$ . We have  $y = \{(z, \xi \cdot \pi); \xi \Vdash z \varepsilon x, \pi \in \|z \notin a\|\}$ , and

therefore  $\|z \notin y\| = \|z \varepsilon x \rightarrow z \notin a\|$ . Thus :

$I \Vdash \forall z (z \notin y \rightarrow (z \varepsilon x \rightarrow z \notin a))$  and  $I \Vdash \forall z ((z \varepsilon x \rightarrow z \notin a) \rightarrow z \notin y)$ .

Now, it is obvious that  $y \in \mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}(a) \times \Pi)$ , and therefore  $(y, \pi) \in b$  for every  $\pi \in \Pi$ .

Thus, we have  $\|y \notin b\| = \Pi = \|\perp\|$ . It follows that :

$\lambda f(f)II \Vdash \forall x (\forall y (\forall z (z \notin y \rightarrow (z \varepsilon x \rightarrow z \notin a)), \forall z ((z \varepsilon x \rightarrow z \notin a) \rightarrow z \notin y) \rightarrow y \notin b) \rightarrow \perp)$ .

• Collection scheme.

Given a set  $a$ , and a formula  $F[x, y]$  with parameters, let :

$b = \bigcup \{\Phi(x, \xi) \times \text{Cl}(a); x \in \text{Cl}(a), \xi \in \Lambda\}$  with

$\Phi(x, \xi) = \{y \text{ of minimum rank}; \xi \Vdash F[x, y]\}$  or  $\Phi(x, \xi) = \emptyset$  if there is no such  $y$ .

We show that  $\|\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow x \notin a)\| \subseteq \|\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow y \notin b)\|$  :

Suppose indeed that  $\xi \cdot \pi \in \|\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow x \notin a)\|$ , i.e.  $(x, \pi) \in a$  and  $\xi \Vdash F[x, y]$  for some  $y$ . By definition of  $\Phi(x, \xi)$ , there exists  $y' \in \Phi(x, \xi)$ . Moreover, we have :

$x \in \text{Cl}(a)$ ,  $\pi \in \text{Cl}(a)$ , and therefore  $(y', \pi) \in b$ ; it follows that  $\pi \in \|y' \notin b\|$ . But, since  $y' \in \Phi(x, \xi)$ , we have  $\xi \Vdash F[x, y']$  and thus  $\xi \cdot \pi \in \|F[x, y'] \rightarrow y' \notin b\|$ , which gives the result. We have proved that  $I \Vdash \forall x (\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow y \notin b) \rightarrow \forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow x \notin a))$ .

• Infinity scheme.

Given a set  $a$ , we define  $b$  as the least set such that :

$\{a\} \times \Pi \subseteq b$  and  $\forall x (\forall \pi \in \Pi) (\forall \xi \in \Lambda) ((x, \pi) \in b \Rightarrow \Phi(x, \xi) \times \{\pi\} \subseteq b)$

where  $\Phi(x, \xi)$  is defined as above.

We have  $\{a\} \times \Pi \subseteq b$ , thus  $\|a \notin b\| = \|\perp\|$ , and therefore  $I \Vdash a \varepsilon b$ .

We now show that  $\|\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow x \notin b)\| \subseteq \|\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow y \notin b)\|$  :

Suppose indeed that  $\xi \cdot \pi \in \|\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow x \notin b)\|$ , i.e.  $(x, \pi) \in b$  and  $\xi \Vdash F[x, y]$  for some  $y$ . By definition of  $\Phi(x, \xi)$ , there exists  $y' \in \Phi(x, \xi)$ . By definition of  $b$ , we have

$(y', \pi) \in b$ , i.e.  $\pi \in \|y' \notin b\|$ . Now, since  $y' \in \Phi(x, \xi)$ , we have  $\xi \Vdash F[x, y']$  and thus :

$\xi \cdot \pi \in \|F[x, y'] \rightarrow y' \notin b\|$ , which gives the result.

We have proved that  $I \Vdash a \varepsilon b$  and  $I \Vdash \forall x (\forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow y \notin b) \rightarrow \forall y (F[x, y] \rightarrow x \notin b))$ .

**Function symbols and equality.**

According to our needs, we shall add to the language of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ , some *function symbols*  $f, g, \dots$  of any arity. A  $k$ -ary function symbol  $f$  will be interpreted, in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , by a *functional relation*, which is defined in the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$  by a formula  $F[x_1, \dots, x_k, y]$  of ZF. Thus, we assume that  $\mathcal{M} \models \forall x_1 \dots \forall x_k \exists! y F[x_1, \dots, x_k, y]$

( $\exists! y F[y]$  is the conjunction of  $\forall y \forall y' (F[y], F[y'] \rightarrow y = y')$  and  $\exists y F[y]$ ).

The axiom schemes of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ , written in the extended language, are still realized in the model  $\mathcal{N}$ , because the above proofs remain valid.

On the other hand, in order to make sure that the axiom schemes of ZF, which use a  $k$ -ary function symbol  $f$ , are still realized, one must check that this symbol is *compatible with*  $\simeq$ , i.e. that the following formula is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  :

$$\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_k (x_1 \simeq y_1, \dots, x_k \simeq y_k \rightarrow f x_1 \dots x_k \simeq f y_1 \dots y_k).$$

We now add a new rule to build formulas of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$  :

If  $t, u$  are two terms and  $F$  is a formula of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ , then  $t = u \leftrightarrow F$  is a formula of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ .

The formula  $t = u \leftrightarrow \perp$  is denoted  $t \neq u$ .

The formula  $t \neq u \rightarrow \perp$ , i.e.  $(t = u \leftrightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp$  is denoted  $t = u$ .

The truth value of these new formulas is defined as follows, assuming that  $t, u, F$  are closed, with parameters in  $\mathcal{N}$  :

$$\|t = u \leftrightarrow F\| = \emptyset \text{ if } t \neq u ; \|t = u \leftrightarrow F\| = \|F\| \text{ if } t = u.$$

It follows that :

$$\begin{aligned} \|t \neq u\| &= \emptyset = \|\top\| \text{ if } t \neq u ; \|t \neq u\| = \Pi = \|\perp\| \text{ if } t = u ; \\ \|t = u\| &= \|\top \rightarrow \perp\| \text{ if } t \neq u ; \|t = u\| = \|\perp \rightarrow \perp\| \text{ if } t = u. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 4.6 shows that  $t = u \leftrightarrow F$  and  $t = u \rightarrow F$  are interchangeable.

**Proposition 4.6.**

- i)  $\lambda x(x)I \Vdash (t = u \rightarrow F) \rightarrow (t = u \leftrightarrow F) ;$
- ii)  $\lambda x \lambda y(\mathbf{cc}) \lambda k(y)(k)x \Vdash (t = u \leftrightarrow F), t = u \rightarrow F.$

*Proof.*

i) Let  $\xi \Vdash t = u \rightarrow F$  and  $\pi \in \|t = u \leftrightarrow F\|$ . Thus, we have  $t = u$  and  $\pi \in \|F\|$ .

We must show  $\lambda x(x)I \star \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , that is  $\xi \star I \cdot \pi \in \perp$ . This is immediate, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , since  $I \Vdash t = u$ .

ii) Let  $\xi \Vdash t = u \leftrightarrow F$ ,  $\eta \Vdash t = u$  and  $\pi \in \|F\|$ . We must show that :

$$\lambda x \lambda y(\mathbf{cc}) \lambda k(y)(k)x \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \in \perp, \text{ soit } \eta \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp.$$

If  $t \neq u$ , then  $\eta \Vdash \top \rightarrow \perp$ , hence the result.

If  $t = u$ , then  $\xi \Vdash F$ , thus  $\xi \star \pi \in \perp$ , therefore  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \Vdash \perp$ .

But we have  $\eta \Vdash \perp \rightarrow \perp$ , and therefore  $\eta \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ . □

Proposition 4.7 shows that the formulas  $t = u$  and  $\forall x(u \neq x \rightarrow t \neq x)$  (*Leibniz equality*) are interchangeable.

**Proposition 4.7.**

- i)  $I \Vdash t = u \leftrightarrow \forall x(u \neq x \rightarrow t \neq x) ;$
- ii)  $I \Vdash \forall x(u \neq x \rightarrow t \neq x) \rightarrow t = u.$

*Proof.*

i) It suffices to check that  $I \Vdash \forall x(u \neq x \rightarrow t \neq x)$  when  $t = u$ , which is obvious.

ii) We must show that  $I \Vdash \forall x(u \neq x \rightarrow t \neq x), t \neq u \rightarrow \perp$ . Thus let  $\xi \Vdash \forall x(u \neq x \rightarrow t \neq x)$ ,

$\eta \Vdash t \neq u$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$  ; we must show that  $\xi \star \eta \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

We have  $\xi \Vdash u \neq a \rightarrow t \neq a$  for every  $a$  ; we take  $a = \{t\} \times \Pi$ , thus  $\|t \neq a\| = \Pi$ , hence  $\pi \in \|t \neq a\|$ .

If  $t = u$ , we have  $\eta \Vdash \perp$ , thus  $\eta \Vdash u \neq a$ , hence the result.

If  $t \neq u$ , we have  $\|u \neq a\| = \emptyset = \|\top\|$ , thus  $\eta \Vdash u \neq a$ , hence the result.  $\square$

We now show that the axioms of equality are realized.

**Proposition 4.8.**  $I \Vdash \forall x(x = x)$  ;  $I \Vdash \forall x \forall y(x = y \leftrightarrow y = x)$  ;

$I \Vdash \forall x \forall y \forall z(x = y \leftrightarrow (y = z \leftrightarrow x = z))$  ;

$I \Vdash \forall x \forall y(x = y \leftrightarrow (F[x] \rightarrow F[y]))$  for every formula  $F$  with one free variable, with parameters.

*Proof.* Trivial, by definition of  $\leftrightarrow$ .  $\square$

*Conservation of well-foundedness.* Theorem 4.9 says that every well founded relation in the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ , gives a well founded relation in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ .

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $f$  be a binary function such that  $f(x, y) = 1$  is a well founded relation in the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ . Then, for every formula  $F[x]$  of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  with parameters in  $\mathcal{M}$  :

$\mathbf{Y} \Vdash \forall x(\forall y(f(y, x) = 1 \leftrightarrow F[y]) \rightarrow F[x]) \rightarrow \forall x F[x]$

with  $\mathbf{Y} = AA$  and  $A = \lambda a \lambda f(f)(a)af$ .

*Proof.* Let us fix  $a$  and let  $\xi \Vdash \forall x(\forall y(f(y, x) = 1 \leftrightarrow F[y]) \rightarrow F[x])$ . We show, by induction on  $a$ , following the well founded relation  $f(x, y) = 1$ , that  $\mathbf{Y} \star \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$  for every  $\pi \in \|F[a]\|$ .

Thus, suppose that  $\pi \in \|F[a]\|$  ; since  $\mathbf{Y} \star \xi \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \mathbf{Y} \xi \cdot \pi$ , we need to show that  $\xi \star \mathbf{Y} \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ . By hypothesis, we have  $\xi \Vdash \forall y(f(y, a) = 1 \leftrightarrow F[y]) \rightarrow F[a]$ .

Thus, it suffices to show that  $\mathbf{Y} \xi \Vdash f(y, a) = 1 \leftrightarrow F[y]$  for every  $y$ .

This is clear if  $f(y, a) \neq 1$ , by definition of  $\leftrightarrow$ .

If  $f(y, a) = 1$ , we must show  $\mathbf{Y} \xi \Vdash F[y]$ , i.e.  $\mathbf{Y} \star \xi \cdot \rho \in \perp$  for every  $\rho \in \|F[y]\|$ . But this follows from the induction hypothesis.  $\square$

**Sets in  $\mathcal{M}$  give type-like sets in  $\mathcal{N}$ .**

We define a unary function symbol  $\mathfrak{J}$  by putting  $\mathfrak{J}(a) = a \times \Pi$  for every individual  $a$  (element of the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ ).

For each set  $E$  of the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ , we also introduce the unary function  $1_E$  with values in  $\{0, 1\}$ , defined as follows :

$1_E(a) = 1$  if  $a \in E$  ;  $1_E(a) = 0$  if  $a \notin E$ .

The formula  $1_E(x) = 1 \leftrightarrow A$  will also be denoted as  $x \varepsilon \mathfrak{J}E \leftrightarrow A$ .

In particular,  $a \notin \mathfrak{J}E$  is identical with  $a \varepsilon \mathfrak{J}E \leftrightarrow \perp$  that is  $1_E(a) \neq 1$ .

We shall write  $\forall x^{\mathfrak{J}E} A[x]$  for  $\forall x(x \varepsilon \mathfrak{J}E \leftrightarrow A[x])$ .

Proposition 4.6 shows that  $x \varepsilon \mathfrak{J}E \leftrightarrow A$  and  $x \varepsilon \mathfrak{J}E \rightarrow A$  are interchangeable.

Therefore  $\forall x^{\mathfrak{J}E} A[x]$  and  $\forall x(x \varepsilon \mathfrak{J}E \rightarrow A[x])$  are also interchangeable. We have :

$$\|\forall x^{\mathfrak{J}E} A[x]\| = \bigcup_{a \in E} \|A[a/x]\| \quad \text{and} \quad \|\forall x \mathfrak{J}E A[x]\| = \bigcap_{a \in E} \|A[a/x]\|.$$

As already said, we shall add to the language of  $ZF_\varepsilon$ , some function symbols of any arity, which will be interpreted in the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$  by some functional relations. Then every formula of the form  $\forall \vec{x}(t_1[\vec{x}] = u_1[\vec{x}], \dots, t_k[\vec{x}] = u_k[\vec{x}] \rightarrow t[\vec{x}] = u[\vec{x}])$  which is satisfied in the model  $\mathcal{M}$ , is *realized* in the model  $\mathcal{N}$  ( $t_1, u_1, \dots, t_k, u_k, t, u$  are terms of the language). Indeed, we verify immediately that :

$$I \Vdash \forall \vec{x}(t_1[\vec{x}] = u_1[\vec{x}] \leftrightarrow (\dots \leftrightarrow (t_k[\vec{x}] = u_k[\vec{x}] \leftrightarrow t[\vec{x}] = u[\vec{x}])) \dots).$$

It follows that if, for instance,  $t[x_0, x_1]$  sends  $E_0 \times E_1$  into  $D$  in the model  $\mathcal{M}$ , then it sends  $\mathbb{1}E_0 \times \mathbb{1}E_1$  into  $\mathbb{1}D$  in the model  $\mathcal{N}$ . Indeed, we have then :

$$\mathcal{M} \models \forall x_0 \forall x_1 (1_{E_0}(x_0) = 1, 1_{E_1}(x_1) = 1 \rightarrow 1_D(t[x_0, x_1]) = 1) \text{ and therefore, we have :}$$

$$I \Vdash \forall x_0 \forall x_1 (1_{E_0}(x_0) = 1 \leftrightarrow (1_{E_1}(x_1) = 1 \leftrightarrow 1_D(t[x_0, x_1]) = 1)), \text{ in other words :}$$

$$I \Vdash \forall x_0 \overset{\mathbb{1}E_0}{\forall} x_1 \overset{\mathbb{1}E_1}{\forall} (t[x_0, x_1] \varepsilon \mathbb{1}D).$$

Notice, in particular, that the characteristic function  $1_E$ , which takes its values in the set  $\mathbf{2} = \{0, 1\}$  in the model  $\mathcal{M}$ , sends  $\mathbb{1}E$  into  $\mathbb{1}\mathbf{2}$  in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ .

We shall denote  $\wedge, \vee, \neg$  the (trivial) Boolean algebra operations in  $\{0, 1\}$  (they should not be confused with the logical connectives  $\wedge, \vee, \neg$ ). In this way, we have defined three function symbols of the language of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  ; thus, in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , they define a *Boolean algebra structure* on the set  $\mathbb{1}\mathbf{2}$ .

**Remarks.**

i) A set of the form  $\mathbb{1}E$  behaves somewhat like a *type*, in the sense of computer science, because any function of the model  $\mathcal{M}$  with domain (resp. range)  $E_1 \times \dots \times E_k$  becomes a function of the model  $\mathcal{N}$  with domain (resp. range)  $\mathbb{1}E_1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{1}E_k$ .

ii) The Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{1}\mathbf{2}$  is, in general, non trivial i.e. it has  $\varepsilon$ -elements  $\neq 0, 1$ . Notice that they are all empty : indeed, it is easy to check that  $I \Vdash \forall x \overset{\mathbb{1}\mathbf{2}}{\forall} y (x \neq 1 \rightarrow y \notin x)$ .

**The set  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  of integers in  $\mathcal{N}$ .**

We add to the language of  $ZF_\varepsilon$  a constant symbol  $0$  and a unary function symbol  $s$ . Their interpretation in the model  $\mathcal{M}$  is as follows :

$$0 \text{ is } \emptyset ; s(a) \text{ is } \{a\} \times \Pi \text{ for every set } a, \text{ in other words } s(a) = \mathbb{1}(\{a\}).$$

In the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ ,  $s(a)$  is the singleton of  $a$ . Indeed, we have trivially :

$$\|b \notin s(a)\| = \|b \neq a\| \text{ (i.e. } \emptyset \text{ if } a \neq b \text{ and } \Pi \text{ if } a = b) \text{ and it follows that :}$$

$$I \Vdash \forall x \forall y (y \notin sx \rightarrow x \neq y) ; I \Vdash \forall x \forall y (x \neq y \rightarrow y \notin sx).$$

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the term  $s^n 0$  will also be written  $n$ .

**Remark.** In the definition of the set of integers in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , we prefer to use the singleton as the successor function  $s$ , instead of the usual one  $x \mapsto x \cup \{x\}$ , which is more complicated to define. It would give :  $s(a) = \{(a, K \cdot \pi) ; \pi \in \Pi\} \cup \{(x, \underline{0} \cdot \pi) ; (x, \pi) \in a\}$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** *The following formulas are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  :*

- i)  $\forall x \forall y (sx = sy \leftrightarrow x = y) ;$
- ii)  $\forall x (sx \neq 0) ;$
- iii)  $\forall x \forall y (x \simeq y \rightarrow sx \simeq sy) ;$
- iv)  $\forall x \forall y (sx \simeq sy \rightarrow x \simeq y).$

This shows, in particular, that the function  $s$  is *compatible with the extensional equivalence*  $\simeq$ .

*Proof.*

- i) We check that  $I \Vdash sa = sb \leftrightarrow a = b$ . We may suppose  $sa = sb$ , because  $\|sa = sb \leftrightarrow a = b\| = \emptyset$  if  $sa \neq sb$ . But, in this case, we have  $a = b$ , by definition of  $sa, sb$ .
- ii) We have  $\|a \notin 0\| = \|\forall x(x \simeq a \rightarrow x \notin 0)\| = \emptyset$ , since  $\|x \notin 0\| = \emptyset$ . Now  $\|a \notin sa\| = \Pi$  and therefore we have, for any  $\xi \in \Lambda$ ,  $\lambda x(x)\xi \Vdash (a \notin \emptyset \rightarrow a \notin sa) \rightarrow \perp$ ; thus :  $\lambda x(x)\xi \Vdash \forall x(x \notin \emptyset \rightarrow x \notin sa) \rightarrow \perp$ . But this means exactly that  $\lambda x(x)\xi \Vdash sa \subseteq 0 \rightarrow \perp$ , and therefore  $\lambda x\lambda y(x)\xi \Vdash sa \simeq 0 \rightarrow \perp$ .
- iii) We show that the formula  $a \simeq b \rightarrow sa \simeq sb$  is realized ; it suffices to realize the formula  $a \simeq b \rightarrow sa \subseteq sb$ . We prove it by means of already realized sentences. We need to prove  $a \simeq b, x \notin sb \rightarrow x \notin sa$ . But  $x \notin sa$  has the same truth value as  $x \neq a$ . Thus, we simply have to prove  $a \simeq b \rightarrow a \in sb$ . But  $a \in sb$  follows from  $b \varepsilon sb$  and  $a \simeq b$ .
- iv) In the same way, we prove the formula  $sa \simeq sb \rightarrow a \simeq b$  and, in fact  $sa \subseteq sb \rightarrow a \simeq b$ . The formula  $sa \subseteq sb$  is  $\forall x(x \notin sb \rightarrow x \notin sa)$ ; but  $x \notin sa$  is the same as  $x \neq a$ . Thus, from  $sa \subseteq sb$  we obtain  $a \in sb$ , i.e.  $(\exists x \varepsilon sb)x \simeq a$ . But  $x \varepsilon sb$  is the same as  $x = b$ , so that we obtain  $a \simeq b$ .  $\square$

The individuals  $s^n 0$  are obviously distinct, for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, we can define :

$$\tilde{\mathbb{N}} = \{(s^n 0, \underline{n} \cdot \pi); n \in \mathbb{N}, \pi \in \Pi\}$$

and we have :

$\|a \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\| = \emptyset$  if  $a$  is not of the form  $s^n 0$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  ;

$\|s^n 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\| = \{\underline{n} \cdot \pi; \pi \in \Pi\}$ .

The formula  $x \varepsilon \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  will also be written  $\text{ent}(x)$ .

In the sequel, we shall use the restricted quantifier  $\forall x^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}$ , which we also write  $\forall x^{\text{ent}}$ , with the following meaning :

$\|\forall x^{\text{ent}} F[x]\| = \|\forall x^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} F[x]\| = \{\underline{n} \cdot \pi; n \in \mathbb{N}, \pi \in \|F[s^n 0]\|\}$ .

The restricted existential quantifier  $\exists x^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}$  or  $\exists x^{\text{ent}}$  is defined as :

$\exists x^{\text{ent}} F[x] \equiv \exists x^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} F[x] \equiv \neg \forall x^{\text{ent}} \neg F[x]$ .

Proposition 4.11 shows that these quantifiers have indeed the intended meaning : the formulas  $\forall x^{\text{ent}} F[x]$  and  $\forall x(x \varepsilon \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow F[x])$  are interchangeable.

**Proposition 4.11.**

- i)  $\lambda x\lambda y\lambda z(y)(x)z \Vdash \forall x^{\text{ent}} F[x] \rightarrow \forall x(\neg F[x] \rightarrow x \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  ;  
 ii)  $\lambda x\lambda y(\mathbf{cc})\lambda k(x)ky \Vdash \forall x(\neg F[x] \rightarrow x \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}) \rightarrow \forall x^{\text{ent}} F[x]$ .

*Proof.*

i) Let  $\xi \Vdash \forall x^{\text{ent}} F[x]$ ,  $\eta \Vdash \neg F[a]$  and  $\varpi \in \|a \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\|$ . Thus, we have  $a = s^n 0$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  (else  $\|a \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\| = \emptyset$ ) and  $\varpi = \underline{n} \cdot \pi$ . We must show that  $\eta \star \xi \underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

Now, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have  $\xi \star \underline{n} \cdot \rho \in \perp$  for any  $\rho \in \|F[s^n 0]\|$ ; thus  $\xi \underline{n} \Vdash F[s^n 0]$ . Since  $\eta \Vdash \neg F[s^n 0]$ , we have  $\eta \star \xi \underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , which is the desired result.

ii) Let  $\xi \Vdash \forall x(\neg F[x] \rightarrow x \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  and  $\underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \|\forall x^{\text{ent}} F[x]\|$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\pi \in \|F[s^n 0]\|$ . We have :  $\lambda x\lambda y(\mathbf{cc})\lambda k(x)ky \star \xi \cdot \underline{n} \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \underline{n} \cdot \pi$ .

Now, we have  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \Vdash \neg F[s^n 0]$  and  $\underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \|s^n 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\|$ . Therefore  $\xi \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.12** (Recurrence scheme). *For every formula  $F[\vec{x}, y]$  :*

- i)  $I \Vdash \forall \vec{x} \forall n^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} (\forall y(F[\vec{x}, sy] \rightarrow F[\vec{x}, y]), F[\vec{x}, n] \rightarrow F[\vec{x}, 0])$ .  
 ii)  $I \Vdash \forall \vec{x} \forall n^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} (\forall y(F[\vec{x}, y] \rightarrow F[\vec{x}, sy]), F[\vec{x}, 0] \rightarrow F[\vec{x}, n])$ .



*Proof.*

i) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\vec{a}$  a sequence of individuals,  $\xi \Vdash \forall y(F[\vec{a}, sy] \rightarrow F[\vec{a}, y])$ ,  $\pi \in \|F[\vec{a}, 0]\|$ .

We must show that, for every  $\alpha \Vdash F[\vec{a}, n]$ , we have  $I \star \underline{n} \cdot \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

In fact, we show, by recurrence on  $n$ , that  $\underline{n} \star \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

This is immediate if  $n = 0$ . In order to go from  $n$  to  $n + 1$ , we suppose now  $\alpha \Vdash F[\vec{a}, sn]$  ;

we have  $\underline{n+1} \star \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \succ \sigma \underline{n} \star \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \succ \sigma \star \underline{n} \cdot \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \succ \underline{n} \star \xi \cdot \xi \alpha \cdot \pi$ .

But, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have  $\xi \Vdash F[\vec{a}, sn] \rightarrow F[\vec{a}, n]$  ; thus  $\xi \alpha \Vdash F[\vec{a}, n]$ .

Hence the result, by the recurrence hypothesis.

ii) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\vec{a}$  a sequence of individuals,  $\xi \Vdash \forall y(F[\vec{a}, y] \rightarrow F[\vec{a}, sy])$ ,  $\alpha \Vdash F[\vec{a}, 0]$  and  $\pi \in \|F[\vec{a}, 0]\|$ . We must show that  $I \star \underline{n} \cdot \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \in \perp$  ; this follows from lemma 4.13, with  $k = 0$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.13.** *Let  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\xi \Vdash \forall y(F[y] \rightarrow F[sy])$ ,  $\alpha \Vdash F[s^k 0]$  and  $\pi \in \|F[s^k n]\|$ .*

*Then  $\underline{n} \star \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is done for all integers  $k$ , by recurrence on  $n$ . This is immediate if  $n = 0$ .

In order to go from  $n$  to  $n + 1$ , we suppose now  $\pi \in \|F[s^k(n+1)]\|$ , i.e.  $\pi \in \|F[s^{k+1}n]\|$ .

We have  $\underline{n+1} \star \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \succ \sigma \underline{n} \star \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \succ \sigma \star \underline{n} \cdot \xi \cdot \alpha \cdot \pi \succ \underline{n} \star \xi \cdot \xi \alpha \cdot \pi$ .

But, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have  $\xi \Vdash F[s^k 0] \rightarrow F[s^{k+1} 0]$  ; thus  $\xi \alpha \Vdash F[s^{k+1} 0]$ .

Hence the result, by the recurrence hypothesis.  $\square$

**Definition.** We denote by  $\text{int}(n)$  the formula  $\forall x(\forall y(sy \notin x \rightarrow y \notin x), n \notin x \rightarrow 0 \notin x)$ .

Theorem 4.15 shows that the formulas  $\text{int}(n)$  and  $n \varepsilon \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  are interchangeable, i.e. the formula  $\forall n(\text{int}(n) \leftrightarrow n \varepsilon \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  is realized by a proof-like term : this is the *storage theorem for integers*.

**Lemma 4.14.**  $\lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x \Vdash \forall y(sy \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow y \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ .

*Proof.* We show that  $\lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x \Vdash sb \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow b \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  for every individual  $b$ .

This is obvious if  $b$  is not of the form  $s^n 0$ , since then  $\|b \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\| = \emptyset$ . Thus, it remains to show :

$\lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x \Vdash s^{n+1} 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow s^n 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$ . Thus, let  $\xi \Vdash s^{n+1} 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  ; we must show :

$\lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x \star \xi \cdot \underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , i.e.  $\xi \star \sigma \underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , which is clear, since  $\sigma \underline{n} = \underline{n+1}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.15** (Storage theorem).

i)  $I \Vdash \forall x^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} \text{int}(x)$ .

ii)  $T \Vdash \forall x(\text{int}(x), x \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \perp)$  with  $T = \lambda n \lambda f((n) \lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x) f \underline{0}$ .

*Proof.*

i) It is theorem 4.12(i), if we take for  $F[x, y]$  the formula  $y \notin x$ .

ii) Let  $\nu \Vdash \text{int}(a)$ ,  $\phi \Vdash a \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ . We must show  $T \star \nu \cdot \phi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , that is :

$\nu \star \lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x \cdot \phi \cdot \underline{0} \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

By hypothesis, we have  $\nu \Vdash \forall y(sy \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow y \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ ,  $a \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$ .

But we have  $\underline{0} \cdot \pi \in \|0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}\|$  by definition of  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  and, by lemma 4.14 :

$\lambda g \lambda x(g)(\sigma)x \Vdash \forall y(sy \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow y \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ . Hence the result.  $\square$

From theorem 4.12(ii), it follows immediately that the *recurrence scheme of ZF* is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  ; it is the scheme :

$\forall \vec{x}(\forall y(F[\vec{x}, y] \rightarrow F[\vec{x}, sy]), F[\vec{x}, 0] \rightarrow (\forall n \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}})F[\vec{x}, n])$  for every formula  $F[\vec{x}, y]$  of ZF (i.e.

written with  $\notin, \subseteq, 0, s$ ).

Then, indeed, the formula  $F$  is compatible with the extensional equivalence  $\simeq$ .

Since the function  $s$  is compatible with  $\simeq$ , we deduce from lemma 4.14 that the formula :  $\forall y(y \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow sy \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  ; the formula  $0 \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  is also obviously realized.

From the recurrence scheme just proved, we deduce that :

$\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  is the set of integers of the model  $\mathcal{N}$ , considered as a model of ZF.

**Theorem 4.16.**

i) Let  $f : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be a recursive function. Then, the formula :

$\forall x_1^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} \dots \forall x_k^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}(f(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$ .

ii) Let  $g : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow 2$  be a recursive function. Then, the formula :

$\forall x_1^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} \dots \forall x_k^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}(g(x_1, \dots, x_k) = 1 \vee g(x_1, \dots, x_k) = 0)$  is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$ .

i) This can be written  $\forall x_1^{\text{ent}} \dots \forall x_k^{\text{ent}} \text{ent}(f(x_1, \dots, x_k))$ . The proof is done in [18, 15].

ii) We have  $\mathcal{N} \Vdash (\forall x_1 \in \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}) \dots (\forall x_k \in \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}) g(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \mathbb{J}2$ .

Now, since  $g$  is recursive, we have, by (i) :

$\mathcal{N} \Vdash (\forall x_1 \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}) \dots (\forall x_k \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}) g(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$ .

Hence the result, by lemma 4.17. □

**Lemma 4.17.**  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda f(f)xy \Vdash \forall x^{\mathbb{J}2}(x \neq 1, x \neq 0 \rightarrow x \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ .

*Proof.* We have to show :

$\lambda x \lambda y \lambda f(f)xy \Vdash \top, \perp \rightarrow 0 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda f(f)xy \Vdash \perp, \top \rightarrow 1 \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$ .

Thus let  $\xi \Vdash \top$  (i.e.  $\xi \in \Lambda$  arbitrary) and  $\eta \Vdash \perp$ . We have to show :

$\lambda x \lambda y \lambda f(f)xy \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \underline{0} \cdot \pi \in \underline{\perp}$  and  $\lambda x \lambda y \lambda f(f)xy \star \eta \cdot \xi \cdot \underline{1} \cdot \pi \in \underline{\perp}$

which is trivial. □

**Remarks.** i) In the present paper, theorem 4.16 is used only in trivial particular cases.

ii) Let us recall the difference between  $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  (the set of integers in the model  $\mathcal{N}$ ) ; we have :

$\xi \Vdash \forall x^{\mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}} F[x]$  iff  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})(\forall \pi \in \|F[s^n 0]\|) \xi \star \pi \in \underline{\perp}$ .

$\xi \Vdash \forall x^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} F[x]$  iff  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})(\forall \pi \in \|F[s^n 0]\|) \xi \star \underline{n} \cdot \pi \in \underline{\perp}$ .

Notice that we have  $K \Vdash \forall x(x \notin \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} \rightarrow x \notin \tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ , in other words  $K \Vdash \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \subset \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}$ . This means that, in  $\mathcal{N}$ , the set  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  of integers is strongly included in  $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}$ . In the particular realizability model considered below (and, in fact, in every non trivial realizability model), the formula  $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} \not\subseteq \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  is realized.

**Non extensional and dependent choice.**

For each formula  $F(x, y_1, \dots, y_m)$  of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$ , we add a function symbol  $f_F$  of arity  $m + 1$ , with

the axiom :  $\forall \vec{y}(\forall k^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}} F[f_F(k, \vec{y}), \vec{y}] \rightarrow \forall x F[x, \vec{y}])$

or else :  $\forall \vec{y}(\forall k^{\text{ent}} F[f_F(k, \vec{y}), \vec{y}] \rightarrow \forall x F[x, \vec{y}])$ .

It is the *axiom scheme of non extensional choice*, in abbreviated form NEAC.

**Remarks.** i) The axiom scheme NEAC does not imply the axiom of choice in ZF, because we do not suppose that the symbol  $f_F$  is compatible with the extensional equivalence  $\simeq$ . It is the reason why we speak about *non extensional* axiom of choice. On the other hand, as we show below, it implies DC (the axiom of dependent choice).

ii) It seems that we could take for  $f_F$  a  $m$ -ary function symbol and use the following simpler (and logically equivalent) axiom scheme NEAC' :  $\forall \vec{y}(F[f_F(\vec{y}), \vec{y}] \rightarrow \forall x F[x, \vec{y}])$ .

But this axiom scheme cannot be realized, even though the axiom scheme NEAC is realized by a

very simple proof-like term (theorem 4.18), *provided the instruction  $\varsigma$  is present*.

More precisely, we can define a function  $f_F$  in  $\mathcal{M}$ , such that NEAC is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$ , but this is impossible for NEAC'.

**Theorem 4.18** (NEAC).

*For each closed formula  $\forall x \forall \vec{y} F$ , we can define a  $(m+1)$ -ary function symbol  $f_F$  such that :*  
 $\lambda x(\varsigma)xx \Vdash \forall \vec{y} (\forall k^{\text{ent}} F[f_F(k, \vec{y})/x, \vec{y}] \rightarrow \forall x F[x, \vec{y}])$ .

*Proof.* For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  we put  $P_k = \{\pi \in \Pi; \xi \star \underline{k} \cdot \pi \notin \perp, k = \mathfrak{n}_\xi\}$ .

For each individual  $x$ , we have :  $\|\forall x F[x, \vec{y}]\| = \bigcup_a^x \|F[a, \vec{y}]\|$ .

Therefore, there exists a function  $f_F$  such that, given  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\vec{y}$  such that  $P_k \cap \|\forall x F[x, \vec{y}]\| \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $P_k \cap \|F[f_F(k, \vec{y}), \vec{y}]\| \neq \emptyset$ .

Now, we want to show  $\lambda x(\varsigma)xx \Vdash \forall k^{\text{ent}} F[f_F(k, \vec{y}), \vec{y}] \rightarrow F[x, \vec{y}]$ , for every individuals  $x, \vec{y}$ .

Thus, let  $\xi \Vdash \forall k^{\text{ent}} F[f_F(k, \vec{y}), \vec{y}]$  and  $\pi \in \|F[a, \vec{y}]\|$ ; we must show  $\lambda x(\varsigma)xx \star \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

If this is false, we have  $\varsigma \star \xi \cdot \xi \cdot \pi \notin \perp$  and therefore  $\xi \star \underline{j} \cdot \pi \notin \perp$  with  $j = \mathfrak{n}_\xi$ .

It follows that  $\pi \in P_j \cap \|F[a, \vec{y}]\|$ ; thus, there exists  $\pi' \in P_j \cap \|F[f_F(j, \vec{y}), \vec{y}]\|$ .

Now, we have  $\underline{j} \cdot \pi' \in \|\forall k^{\text{ent}} F[f_F(k, \vec{y}), \vec{y}]\|$ , and therefore, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have :  $\xi \star \underline{j} \cdot \pi' \in \perp$ . This is in contradiction with  $\pi' \in P_j$ .  $\square$

*NEAC implies DC.* Let us call DCS (dependent choice scheme) the following axiom scheme :  
 $\forall \vec{z} (\forall x \exists y F[x, y, \vec{z}] \rightarrow \forall n^{\text{ent}} \exists ! y S_F[n, y, \vec{z}] \wedge \forall n^{\text{ent}} \exists y \exists y' \{S_F[n, y, \vec{z}], S_F[sn, y', \vec{z}], F[y, y', \vec{z}]\})$ .

where  $F$  is a formula of  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$  with free variables  $x, y, \vec{z}$ ; the formula  $S_F$  is written below.

In the following, we omit the variables  $\vec{z}$  (the parameters), for sake of simplicity.

The usual axiom of dependent choice DC is obtained by taking for  $F[x, y, z_0, z_1]$  the formula  $y \varepsilon z_0 \wedge (x \varepsilon z_0 \rightarrow \langle x, y \rangle \varepsilon z_1)$ .

We now show how to define the formula  $S_F$ , so that  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon, \text{NEAC} \vdash \text{DCS}$ ; we shall conclude that DC is realized.

So, let us assume  $\forall x \exists y F[x, y]$ . By NEAC, there is a function symbol  $f$  such that :

$\forall x \exists k^{\text{ent}} F[x, f(k, x)]$ . We define the formula  $R_F[x, y]$  as follows :

$R_F[x, y] \equiv \exists k^{\text{ent}} \{F[x, f(k, x)], \forall i^{\text{ent}} (i < k \rightarrow \neg F[x, f(i, x)]), y = f(k, x)\}$ .

This means : “ $y = f(k, x)$  for the first integer  $k$  such that  $F[x, f(k, x)]$ ”.

Therefore,  $R_F$  is functional, i.e. we have  $\forall x \exists ! y R_F(x, y)$ .

$S_F$  is defined so as to represent a sequence obtained by iteration of the function given by  $R_F$ , beginning (arbitrarily) at 0 :

$S_F(n, x) \equiv \forall z [\forall m \forall y \forall y' (\langle m, y \rangle \varepsilon z, R_F(y, y') \rightarrow \langle sm, y' \rangle \varepsilon z), \langle 0, 0 \rangle \varepsilon z \rightarrow \langle n, x \rangle \varepsilon z]$ .

It should be clear that, with this definition of  $S_F$ , we obtain :

$\forall n^{\text{ent}} \exists ! y S_F[n, y]$  and  $\forall n^{\text{ent}} \exists y \exists y' \{S_F[n, y], S_F[sn, y'], F[y, y']\}$ .

Thus, DCS is provable from  $\text{ZF}_\varepsilon$  and NEAC.

**Remark.** We have used the binary function symbol  $\langle x, y \rangle$  which is defined, in the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ , in the usual way :  $\langle a, b \rangle = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ . Then, the formulas :

$\forall x \forall x' \forall y \forall y' (\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x', y' \rangle \leftrightarrow x = x', \forall x \forall x' \forall y \forall y' (\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x', y' \rangle \leftrightarrow y = y'))$ ,

are trivially realized by  $I$ .

### Properties of the Boolean algebra $\mathbb{J}2$ .

Let  $(x < y)$  be the binary recursive function defined as follows in  $\mathcal{M}$  :

$(m < n) = 1$  if  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m < n$  ; else  $(m < n) = 0$ .

**Theorem 4.19.** *For every choice of  $\perp$ , the relation  $(x < y) = 1$  is, in  $\mathcal{N}$ , a strict well founded partial order, which is the usual order on integers (i.e. on  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$ ).*

*Proof.* Indeed, the formulas :

$\forall x((x < x) \neq 1)$  and  $\forall x \forall y \forall z((x < y) = 1 \leftrightarrow ((y < z) = 1 \leftrightarrow (x < z) = 1))$

are trivially realized.

Moreover, since the relation  $(x < y) = 1$  is well founded, we have (theorem 4.9) :

$\Upsilon \Vdash \forall x(\forall y((y < x) = 1 \leftrightarrow F[y]) \rightarrow F[x]) \rightarrow \forall x F[x]$

for every formula  $F[x]$  with parameters and one free variable.

By theorem 4.16(ii), the binary recursive function  $(x < y)$  sends  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}^2$  into  $\{0, 1\}$ , in the model  $\mathcal{N}$ . Therefore, it suffices to check that the following formulas are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  :

$\forall x \tilde{\forall} y \tilde{\forall} y'(y \leq x \rightarrow (x < y) \neq 1)$  ;  $\forall x \tilde{\forall} y \tilde{\forall} y'(x < y \rightarrow (x < y) = 1)$ .

Now the following formulas are trivially realized :

$\forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall z \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}(x = y + z \rightarrow (x < y) \neq 1)$  ;  $\forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall z \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}(y = x + z + 1 \rightarrow (x < y) = 1)$ .  $\square$

In the ground model  $\mathcal{M}$ , we put, for each integer  $n$  :

$$\mathbf{n} = \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\} = \{0, s0, \dots, s^{n-1}0\}.$$

The functions  $n \mapsto \mathbf{n}$  and  $n \mapsto \mathbb{J}\mathbf{n}$  are defined in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , with domain  $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}$ .

### Theorem 4.20.

*The following formulas are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  :*

- i)  $\forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}((x < m) = 1 \leftrightarrow x \in \mathbb{J}\mathbf{m})$  ;
- ii)  $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall n \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}((m < n) = 1 \rightarrow \mathbb{J}\mathbf{m} \subset \mathbb{J}\mathbf{n})$  ;
- iii)  $\forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}((x < m) = 1 \leftrightarrow \exists y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}(m = x + y + 1))$ .

*Proof.* Remember that  $x \subset y$  is the formula  $\forall z(z \notin y \rightarrow z \notin x)$ .

- i) We have trivially  $\|(a < m) \neq 1\| = \|a \notin \mathbb{J}\mathbf{m}\|$  for every  $a, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- ii) By transitivity of the relation  $(m < n) = 1$  (theorem 4.19).
- iii) We observe that  $\|(a < m) \neq 1\| = \|(\forall y \varepsilon \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N})(m \neq a + y + 1)\|$  for every  $a, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\square$

For each  $n \varepsilon \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}$  (and, in particular, for each  $n \varepsilon \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$ , i.e. for each integer of  $\mathcal{N}$ ), the set defined, in  $\mathcal{N}$ , by  $(x < n) = 1$  (the strict initial segment defined by  $n$ ) is therefore extensionally equivalent to  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{n}$ .

**Theorem 4.21.** *In  $\mathcal{N}$ , the application  $(x, y) \mapsto my + x$  is a bijection from  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{m} \times \mathbb{J}\mathbf{n}$  onto  $\mathbb{J}(\mathbf{mn})$ . Indeed, the following formulas are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  by  $I$  :*

- i)  $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall n \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} \forall y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{n}}((my + x) \varepsilon \mathbb{J}(\mathbf{mn}))$  ;
- ii)  $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall n \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} \forall x' \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} \forall y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{n}} \forall y' \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{n}}(my + x = my' + x' \leftrightarrow x = x')$  ;  
 $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall n \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} \forall x' \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} \forall y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{n}} \forall y' \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{n}}(my + x = my' + x' \leftrightarrow y = y')$  ;
- iii)  $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall n \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} \forall z \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{mn}} \exists x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} \exists y \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{n}}(z = my + x)$ .

*Proof.*

- i) and ii) We simply have to replace  $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}}$  with their definitions, which are :  
 $\forall m \mathbb{J}^{\mathbb{N}} F \equiv \forall m(1_{\mathbb{N}}(m) = 1 \leftrightarrow F)$  ;  $\forall x \mathbb{J}^{\mathbf{m}} F \equiv \forall x((x < m) = 1 \leftrightarrow F)$ .
- We see immediately that these two formulas are realized by  $I$ .

iii) We show that :

$I \Vdash \forall m \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} \forall n \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} \forall z \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} (\forall x \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} \forall y \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} ((x < m) = 1 \leftrightarrow ((y < n) = 1 \leftrightarrow z \neq my + x)) \rightarrow (z < mn) \neq 1)$ .

Thus, we consider :

$m, n, z_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  ;  $\xi \in \Lambda$ ,  $\xi \Vdash \forall x \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} \forall y \mathbb{J}\mathbb{N} ((x < m) = 1 \leftrightarrow ((y < n) = 1 \leftrightarrow z \neq my + x))$

and  $\pi \in \|(z_0 < mn) \neq 1\|$ . We must show  $I \star \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , that is  $\xi \star \pi \in \perp$ .

We have  $\|(z_0 < mn) \neq 1\| \neq \emptyset$ , therefore  $z_0 < mn$ .

Thus, there exist  $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{N}, x_0 < m, y_0 < n$  such that  $z_0 = mx_0 + y_0$ .

Now, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have :

$\xi \Vdash (x_0 < m) = 1 \leftrightarrow ((y_0 < n) = 1 \leftrightarrow z_0 \neq my_0 + x_0)$ , in other words  $\xi \Vdash \perp$ .  $\square$

*Injection of  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{n}$  into  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ .* Remember that we have fixed a recursive bijection :  $\xi \mapsto \mathbf{n}_\xi$  from  $\Lambda$  onto  $\mathbb{N}$ . The inverse bijection will be denoted  $n \mapsto \xi_n$ .

This bijection is used in the execution rule of the instruction  $\varsigma$ , which is as follows :

$$\varsigma \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \succ \xi \star \mathbf{n}_\eta \cdot \pi.$$

We define, in  $\mathcal{M}$ , a function  $\Delta : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow 2$  by putting  $\Delta(n) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \xi_n \Vdash \perp$ .

In this way, we have defined a function symbol  $\Delta$ , in the language of  $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{F}_\varepsilon$ . In the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , the symbol  $\Delta$  represents a function from  $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{N}$  into  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$ . In particular, the function  $\Delta$  sends the set  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  of integers of the model  $\mathcal{N}$  into the Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$ .

**Theorem 4.22.** *Let us put  $\theta = \lambda x \lambda y (\varsigma) y x x$  ; then, we have :*

$$\theta \Vdash \forall x \mathbb{J}\mathbf{2} (x \neq 0 \rightarrow \exists n^{\text{ent}} \{\Delta(n) \neq 0, \Delta(n) \leq x\})$$

where  $\leq$  is the order relation of the Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$  :  $y \leq x$  is the formula  $x = (y \vee x)$ .

*Proof.* We must show  $\theta \Vdash \forall x \mathbb{J}\mathbf{2} (x \neq 0, \forall n^{\text{ent}} (\Delta(n) \neq 0 \rightarrow x \neq \Delta(n) \vee x) \rightarrow \perp)$ .

Thus, let  $a \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $\xi \Vdash a \neq 0$ ,  $\eta \Vdash \forall n^{\text{ent}} (\Delta(n) \neq 0 \rightarrow a \neq \Delta(n) \vee a)$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ .

We must show  $\theta \star \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \in \perp$  that is  $\varsigma \star \eta \cdot \xi \cdot \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , or else  $\eta \star \mathbf{n}_\xi \cdot \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

By hypothesis on  $\eta$ , it suffices to show  $\mathbf{n}_\xi \cdot \xi \cdot \pi \in \|\forall n^{\text{ent}} (\Delta(n) \neq 0 \rightarrow a \neq \Delta(n) \vee a)\|$ , that is, by definition of the quantifier  $\forall n^{\text{ent}}$  :  $\xi \cdot \pi \in \|\Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \neq 0 \rightarrow a \neq \Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \vee a\|$ .

This amounts to show  $\xi \Vdash \Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \neq 0$  and  $a = \Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \vee a$ .

- Proof of  $\xi \Vdash \Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \neq 0$  : if  $\Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) = 1$ , this is trivial, because  $\|\Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \neq 0\| = \emptyset$  ; if  $\Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) = 0$ , then  $\xi \Vdash \perp$ , by definition of  $\Delta$ .

- Proof of  $a = \Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) \vee a$  : this is obvious if  $a = 1$  ; if  $a = 0$ , then  $\xi \Vdash \perp$ , by hypothesis on  $\xi$ . Therefore  $\Delta(\mathbf{n}_\xi) = 0$  by definition of  $\Delta$ , hence the result.  $\square$

By theorem 4.22, the set  $\{\Delta(n) ; n \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}, \Delta(n) \neq 0\}$  is, in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , a countable dense subset of the Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$  : this means that each element  $\neq 0$  of this Boolean algebra has a lower bound of the form  $\Delta(n)$ , with  $n \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\Delta(n) \neq 0$ .

It follows that the application of  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$  into  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  given by :

$$x \mapsto \{n \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}} ; \Delta(n) \leq x, \Delta(n) \neq 0\}$$

is one to one : indeed, if  $a, b \in \mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$  with  $a \neq b$ , then  $a + b \neq 0$  ; thus, there exists an integer  $n \in \tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\Delta(n) \neq 0$  and  $\Delta(n) \leq a + b$ . Therefore, we have  $\Delta(n) \leq a$  iff  $(b \wedge \Delta(n)) = 0$ .

But, since  $\Delta(n) \neq 0$ , we get :  $\Delta(n) \leq a$  iff  $\Delta(n) \not\leq b$ .

We have shown :

**Theorem 4.23.**

*The formula : “there exists an injection of  $\mathbb{J}\mathbf{2}$  into  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ ” is realized in the model  $\mathcal{N}$ .  $\square$*

**Corollary 4.24.** *The formula : “for every integer  $n$  there exists an injection of  $\mathfrak{J}n$  into  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ ” is realized in the model  $\mathcal{N}$ .*

*Proof.* Using theorem 4.21 we see, by recurrence on  $m$ , that the model  $\mathcal{N}$  realizes the formula :

“ $\forall m^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}((\mathfrak{J}2)^m \text{ is equipotent to } \mathfrak{J}(2^m))$ ” ; and therefore also the formula :

“ $\forall m^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}(\text{there exists an injection of } \mathfrak{J}(2^m) \text{ into } \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}}))$ ”.

Finally, by theorem 4.20(ii), we see that the following formula is realized :

“ $\forall n^{\tilde{\mathbb{N}}}(\text{there exists an injection of } \mathfrak{J}n \text{ into } \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}}))$ ”.

□

## 5. REALIZABILITY MODELS IN WHICH $\mathbb{R}$ IS NOT WELL ORDERED

### $\mathfrak{J}2$ atomless.

**Theorem 5.1.** *We suppose there exist two proof-like terms  $\omega_0, \omega_1$  such that, for every  $\pi \in \Pi$ , we have  $\omega_0 \mathbf{k}_\pi \Vdash \perp$  or  $\omega_1 \mathbf{k}_\pi \Vdash \perp$ . Then, the Boolean algebra  $\mathfrak{J}2$  is non trivial. Indeed :  $\theta \Vdash \forall x(x \neq 1, x \neq 0 \rightarrow x \notin \mathfrak{J}2) \rightarrow \perp$  with  $\theta = \lambda f(\mathbf{cc})\lambda k((f)(\omega_1)k)(\omega_0)k$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\xi \Vdash \forall x(x \neq 1, x \neq 0 \rightarrow x \notin \mathfrak{J}2)$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ . We must show :

$\theta \star \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , that is  $\xi \star \omega_1 \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \omega_0 \mathbf{k}_\pi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

But, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have  $\xi \Vdash \top, \perp \rightarrow \perp$  and  $\xi \Vdash \perp, \top \rightarrow \perp$ . Hence the result, by hypothesis on  $\omega_1, \omega_0$ . □

**Remark.** When the Boolean algebra  $\mathfrak{J}2$  is non trivial, there are necessarily non standard integers in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , i.e. integers which are not in  $\mathcal{M}$ . Indeed, let  $a \in \mathfrak{J}2, a \neq 0, 1$  ; by theorem 4.22, there is an integer  $n$  such that  $\Delta(n) \neq 0, \Delta(n) \leq a$  ; thus  $\Delta(n) \neq 1$ . The integer  $n$  cannot be standard, since  $\Delta(m) = 0$  or  $1$  if  $m$  is in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

**Theorem 5.2.** *We suppose that there exists three proof-like terms  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$  such that, for every  $\xi \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ , we have  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_0 \Vdash \perp$  or  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_1 \Vdash \perp$  or  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_2 \Vdash \perp$ .*

*Then, the Boolean algebra  $\mathfrak{J}2$  is atomless. Indeed :*

$\theta \Vdash \forall x[\forall y(x \wedge y \neq 0, x \wedge y \neq x \rightarrow y \notin \mathfrak{J}2), x \neq 0 \rightarrow x \notin \mathfrak{J}2]$

*with  $\theta = \lambda x \lambda y(\mathbf{cc})\lambda k((x)(k)y\alpha_0)((x)(k)y\alpha_1)(k)y\alpha_2$ .*

*Proof.* By a simple computation, we see that we must show :

i)  $\theta \Vdash (\perp, \perp \rightarrow \perp), \perp \rightarrow \perp$ .

ii)  $\theta \Vdash |\top, \perp \rightarrow \perp| \cap |\perp, \top \rightarrow \perp|, \top \rightarrow \perp$ .

Proof of (i) : let  $\eta \in |\perp, \perp \rightarrow \perp|$  and  $\xi \in |\perp|$ . We must show  $\theta \star \eta \cdot \xi \cdot \pi \in \perp$ , that is :

$\eta \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_0 \cdot ((\eta)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_1)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_2 \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

But, from  $\xi \Vdash \perp$ , we deduce  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \zeta \Vdash \perp$  for every  $\zeta \in \Lambda_c$ .

Since  $\eta \Vdash \perp, \perp \rightarrow \perp$ , we have  $((\eta)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_1)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_2 \Vdash \perp$  and therefore :

$\eta \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_0 \cdot ((\eta)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_1)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_2 \cdot \pi \in \perp$ .

Proof of (ii) : let  $\eta \in |\top, \perp \rightarrow \perp| \cap |\perp, \top \rightarrow \perp|$  and  $\xi \in \Lambda_c$ . Again, we must show that :

$\eta \star \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_0 \cdot ((\eta)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_1)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_2 \cdot \pi \in \perp$ . If this is false, then :

$\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_0 \not\Vdash \perp$  (because  $\eta \Vdash \perp, \top \rightarrow \perp$ ) and

$((\eta)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_1)(\mathbf{k}_\pi)\xi \alpha_2 \not\Vdash \perp$  (because  $\eta \Vdash \top, \perp \rightarrow \perp$ ).

But, since  $\eta \Vdash \perp, \top \rightarrow \perp$  (resp.  $\top, \perp \rightarrow \perp$ ), we have  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_1 \not\Vdash \perp$  (resp.  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \alpha_2 \not\Vdash \perp$ ).

This contradicts the hypothesis of the theorem. □

$\mathbb{R}$  not well orderable.

**Theorem 5.3.**

We suppose that there exists a proof-like term  $\omega$  such that, for every  $\xi, \xi' \in \Lambda$ ,  $\xi \neq \xi'$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$ , we have  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \Vdash \perp$  or  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi' \Vdash \perp$ .

Then we have, for every formula  $F$  with three free variables :

$$\theta \Vdash \forall m \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} n \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} z [(m < n) = 1 \leftrightarrow (\forall x \forall y \forall y' (F(x, y, z), F(x, y', z), y \neq y' \rightarrow \perp), \forall y \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\exists} x \neg \forall x \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\exists} F(x, y, z) \rightarrow \perp)]$$

with  $\theta = \lambda x \lambda x' (\mathbf{CC}) \lambda k (x') \lambda z (x z z) (\omega) k z$ .

**Remark.** This shows that, if  $(m < n) = 1$ , then  $(\mathbb{J}m \subset \mathbb{J}n)$  and there is no surjection of  $\mathbb{J}m$  onto  $\mathbb{J}n$  : indeed, it suffices to take, for  $F(x, y, z)$ , the formula  $\langle x, y \rangle \varepsilon z$ .

*Proof.* Assume this is false ; then, there exist  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m < n$ , an individual  $c$ , two terms  $\xi, \xi' \in \Lambda$  and a stack  $\pi \in \Pi$  such that :

$$\begin{aligned} &\theta \star \xi \cdot \xi' \cdot \pi \notin \perp ; \\ &\xi \Vdash \forall x \forall y \forall y' [F(x, y, c), F(x, y', c), y \neq y' \rightarrow \perp] ; \\ &\xi' \Vdash \forall y \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\exists} x \neg \forall x \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\exists} F(x, y, c). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have  $\xi' \star \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp$  with  $\eta = \lambda z (\xi z z) (\omega) \mathbf{k}_\pi z$ . By hypothesis on  $\xi'$  we have, for every integer  $i < n$  :  $\eta \not\Vdash \forall x \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\exists} F(x, i, c)$ . Thus, there exists an integer  $m_i < m$  such that  $\eta \not\Vdash \neg F(m_i, i, c)$ . It follows that there exist  $\xi_i \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi_i \in \Pi$  such that  $\xi_i \Vdash F(m_i, i, c)$  and  $\eta \star \xi_i \cdot \pi_i \notin \perp$ . By definition of  $\eta$ , we get  $\xi \star \xi_i \cdot \xi_i \cdot \omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi_i \cdot \pi_i \notin \perp$ . By hypothesis on  $\xi$ , it follows that  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi_i \not\Vdash i \neq i$  ; in other words, we have  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi_i \not\Vdash \perp$  for every integer  $i < n$ .

By the hypothesis of the theorem, it follows that we have  $\xi_i = \xi_j$  for every  $i, j < n$ .

But, since  $m_i < m < n$  and  $i < n$ , there exist  $i, j < n$ ,  $i \neq j$  such that  $m_i = m_j = k$ .

Then,  $\xi_i = \xi_j \Vdash F(k, i, c), F(k, j, c)$  and  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi_i \Vdash i \neq j$  since  $\|i \neq j\| = \emptyset$ .

Therefore, by hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have  $\xi \star \xi_i \cdot \xi_i \cdot \omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi_i \cdot \pi_i \in \perp$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

Now, we see that, with the hypothesis of theorem 5.3, there is no surjection from  $\mathbb{J}2$  onto  $\mathbb{J}2 \times \mathbb{J}2$ . Indeed, by theorem 4.21, there exists a bijection from  $\mathbb{J}2 \times \mathbb{J}2$  onto  $\mathbb{J}4$  and, by theorem 5.3, there is no surjection from  $\mathbb{J}2$  onto  $\mathbb{J}4$ . But, by theorem 5.2,  $\mathbb{J}2$  is infinite ; it follows that  $\mathbb{J}2$  cannot be well ordered.

Now, by theorem 4.23,  $\mathbb{J}2$  is equipotent with a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ . Therefore, the hypothesis of theorems 5.2 and 5.3 are sufficient in order that the following formula be realized in the model  $\mathcal{N}$  :

*There is no well ordering on the set of reals.*

In fact, the hypothesis of theorem 5.3 is sufficient : this follows from theorem 5.4.

**Theorem 5.4.** *Same hypothesis as theorem 5.3 : there exists a proof-like term  $\omega$  such that, for every  $\pi \in \Pi$  and  $\xi, \xi' \in \Lambda$ ,  $\xi \neq \xi'$ , we have  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi \Vdash \perp$  or  $\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi \xi' \Vdash \perp$ .*

*Then we have, for every formula  $F$  with three free variables :*

$$\theta \Vdash \forall z \{ \forall x [ \forall n \overset{ent}{\forall} F(n, x, z) \rightarrow x \notin \mathbb{J}2 ], \forall n \forall x \forall y [ \neg F(n, x, z) \neg F(n, y, z), x \neq y \rightarrow \perp ] \rightarrow \perp \}$$

with  $\theta = \lambda x \lambda x' (\mathbf{CC}) \lambda k (x) \lambda n (\mathbf{CC}) \lambda h (x' h h) (\omega k) \lambda f (f) h n$ .

**Remark.** This formula means that, in the realizability model  $\mathcal{N}$ , there is no surjection from the set of integers  $\tilde{\mathbb{N}}$  onto  $\mathbb{J}2$  : it suffices to take for  $F(x, y, z)$  the formula  $\langle x, y \rangle \notin z$  (the graph of an hypothetical surjection being  $\langle x, y \rangle \varepsilon z$ ).

*Proof.* Reasoning by contradiction, we suppose that there is an individual  $c$ , a stack  $\pi \in \Pi$ , and two terms  $\xi, \xi'$  such that :

$\xi \Vdash \forall x[\forall n^{\text{ent}} F(n, x, c) \rightarrow x \notin \mathbf{J2}]$  ;  $\xi' \Vdash \forall n \forall x \forall y [\neg F(n, x, c) \neg F(n, y, c), x \neq y \rightarrow \perp]$  and  $\theta \star \xi \cdot \xi' \cdot \pi \notin \perp$ .

Therefore, we have  $\xi \star \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp$ , with  $\eta = \lambda n(\mathbf{cc})\lambda h(\xi' h h)(\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi)\lambda f(f)h n$ .

By hypothesis on  $\xi$ , we have  $\eta \not\vdash \forall n^{\text{ent}} F(n, 0, c)$  and  $\eta \not\vdash \forall n^{\text{ent}} F(n, 1, c)$ . Thus, we see that there exist  $n_0, n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\pi_0 \in \|F(n_0, 0, c)\|$  and  $\pi_1 \in \|F(n_1, 1, c)\|$  such that  $\eta \star \underline{n}_0 \cdot \pi_0 \notin \perp$  and  $\eta \star \underline{n}_1 \cdot \pi_1 \notin \perp$ . By performing these two processes, we obtain :

$\xi' \star \mathbf{k}_{\pi_0} \cdot \mathbf{k}_{\pi_0} \cdot \zeta_0 \cdot \pi_0 \notin \perp$  et  $\xi' \star \mathbf{k}_{\pi_1} \cdot \mathbf{k}_{\pi_1} \cdot \zeta_1 \cdot \pi_1 \notin \perp$ ,

with  $\zeta_0 = (\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi)\lambda f(f)\mathbf{k}_{\pi_0}\underline{n}_0$  and  $\zeta_1 = (\omega \mathbf{k}_\pi)\lambda f(f)\mathbf{k}_{\pi_1}\underline{n}_1$ .

By hypothesis on  $\xi'$ , we have  $\xi' \Vdash \neg F(n_0, 0, c), \neg F(n_0, 0, c), 0 \neq 0 \rightarrow \perp$ .

Since  $\mathbf{k}_{\pi_0} \Vdash \neg F(n_0, 0, c)$ , we see that  $\zeta_0 \not\vdash \perp$  and, in the same way,  $\zeta_1 \not\vdash \perp$ .

Thus, by the hypothesis of the theorem, we have :

$\lambda f(f)\mathbf{k}_{\pi_0}\underline{n}_0 = \lambda f(f)\mathbf{k}_{\pi_1}\underline{n}_1$ , and therefore  $n_0 = n_1$  and  $\pi_0 = \pi_1$ .

But, we have  $\xi' \Vdash \neg F(n_0, 0, c), \neg F(n_0, 1, c), 0 \neq 1 \rightarrow \perp$ . Moreover, we have :

$\pi_0 \in \|F(n_0, 0, c)\|$  and  $\pi_1 \in \|F(n_1, 1, c)\|$ , thus  $\pi_0 \in \|F(n_0, 1, c)\|$  since  $n_0 = n_1, \pi_0 = \pi_1$ .

Therefore  $\mathbf{k}_{\pi_0} \Vdash \neg F(n_0, 0, c)$  and  $\neg F(n_0, 1, c)$ . Moreover, we have obviously  $\zeta_0 \Vdash 0 \neq 1$ , since  $\|0 \neq 1\| = \emptyset$ . Therefore, we have  $\xi' \star \mathbf{k}_{\pi_0} \cdot \mathbf{k}_{\pi_0} \cdot \zeta_0 \cdot \pi_0 \in \perp$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

Theorems 5.3 and 5.4 show that  $\mathbf{J2}$  is infinite and not equipotent with  $\mathbf{J2} \times \mathbf{J2}$ , thus not well orderable. Since  $\mathbf{J2}$  is equipotent with a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  (theorem 4.23), we have shown that  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  is not well orderable, with the hypothesis of theorem 5.3.

More precisely, by corollary 4.24, we know that  $\mathbf{Jn}$  is equipotent with a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  for each integer  $n$ . Therefore, we have :

**Theorem 5.5.** *With the hypothesis of theorem 5.3, the following formula is realized :*

“ There exists a sequence  $\mathcal{X}_n$  of infinite subsets of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  such that, for every integers  $m, n \geq 2$  :

- there is an injection from  $\mathcal{X}_n$  into  $\mathcal{X}_{n+1}$  ;
- there is no surjection from  $\mathcal{X}_n$  onto  $\mathcal{X}_{n+1}$  ;
- $\mathcal{X}_m \times \mathcal{X}_n$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{mn}$  are equipotent ”.  $\square$

For each integer  $n \geq 2$ , the set  $\mathbf{n} = \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$  is a ring : the ring of integers modulo  $n$  ; the Boolean algebra  $\{0, 1\}$  is a set of idempotents in this ring. These ring operations extend to the realizability model, giving a ring structure on  $\mathbf{Jn}$ , and  $\mathbf{J2}$  is a set of idempotents in  $\mathbf{Jn}$ .

For each  $a \in \mathbf{J2}$ , the equation  $ax = x$  defines an ideal in  $\mathbf{Jn}$ , which we denote as  $a\mathbf{Jn}$ .

The application  $x \mapsto ax$  is a retraction from  $\mathbf{Jn}$  onto  $a\mathbf{Jn}$ .

**Proposition 5.6.** *The following formulas are realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  :*

- i)  $\forall n^{\mathbf{JN}} \forall a^{\mathbf{J2}}$  (the application  $x \mapsto (ax, (1-a)x)$  is a bijection  
from  $\mathbf{Jn}$  onto  $a\mathbf{Jn} \times (1-a)\mathbf{Jn}$ ).
- ii)  $\forall m^{\mathbf{JN}} \forall n^{\mathbf{JN}} \forall a^{\mathbf{J2}}$  (the application  $(x, y) \mapsto my + x$  is a bijection  
from  $a\mathbf{Jm} \times a\mathbf{Jn}$  onto  $a\mathbf{J}(mn)$ ).

*Proof.*

i) Trivial : the inverse is  $(y, y') \mapsto y + y'$ .

ii) By theorem 4.21, this application is injective ; clearly, it sends  $a\mathbf{Jm} \times a\mathbf{Jn}$  into  $a\mathbf{J}(mn)$ .

Conversely, if  $z \in a\mathbf{J}(mn)$ , then there exists  $x \in \mathbf{Jm}$  and  $y \in \mathbf{Jn}$  such that  $z = my + x$  ;

thus, we have  $z = az = may + ax$  with  $ax \in a\mathbf{Jm}$  and  $ay \in a\mathbf{Jn}$ .  $\square$



**Theorem 5.7.** *We suppose that, for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ,  $\pi \in \Pi$ , and every distinct  $\zeta_0, \zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Lambda$ , we have  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \alpha \zeta_0 \Vdash \perp$  or  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \alpha \zeta_1 \Vdash \perp$  or  $\mathbf{k}_\pi \alpha \zeta_2 \Vdash \perp$ .*

*Then, for each formula  $F(x, y, z)$  with three free variables, we have :*

$$\theta \Vdash \forall z \forall m \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} n \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} a \overset{\mathbb{J}2}{\forall} [(2m < n) = 1 \leftrightarrow (a \neq 0, \forall x \forall y \forall y' (F(x, y, z), F(x, y', z), y \neq y' \rightarrow \perp), \forall y \overset{\mathbb{J}n}{\exists} x \overset{\mathbb{J}m}{\forall} F(x, ay, z) \rightarrow \perp)]$$

*with  $\theta = \lambda a \lambda x \lambda y (\mathbf{cc}) \lambda k (y) \lambda z (x z z) (k) a z$ .*

**Remark.** This formula means that, if  $n > 2m$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{J}2$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , then there is no surjection from  $\mathbb{J}m$  onto  $a \mathbb{J}n$  : it suffices to take  $F(x, y, z) \equiv \langle x, y \rangle \varepsilon z$ .

*Proof.* Reasoning by contradiction, let us consider  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n > 2m$ ,  $a \in \{0, 1\}$ , an individual  $c$ , three terms  $\alpha, \xi, \eta \in \Lambda$  and  $\pi \in \Pi$  such that :

$$\theta \star \alpha \cdot \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \notin \perp, \quad \alpha \Vdash a \neq 0, \quad \xi \Vdash \forall x \forall y \forall y' (F(x, y, c), F(x, y', c), y \neq y' \rightarrow \perp), \\ \eta \Vdash \forall y \overset{\mathbb{J}n}{\exists} x \overset{\mathbb{J}m}{\forall} \neg F(x, ay, c).$$

We have  $\theta \star \alpha \cdot \xi \cdot \eta \cdot \pi \succ \eta \star \theta' \cdot \pi$  and therefore  $\eta \star \theta' \cdot \pi \notin \perp$  with  $\theta' = \lambda z (\xi z z) (\mathbf{k}_\pi) \alpha z$ . It follows that, for every  $y \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ , we have  $\theta' \not\Vdash \forall x \overset{\mathbb{J}m}{\forall} \neg F(x, ay, c)$ .

Thus, there exist two functions  $y \mapsto x_y$  (resp.  $y \mapsto \zeta_y$ ) from  $\{0, \dots, n-1\}$  into  $\{0, \dots, m-1\}$  (resp. into  $\Lambda$ ), such that  $\zeta_y \Vdash F(x_y, ay, c)$  and  $\theta' \star \zeta_y \cdot \varpi_y \notin \perp$  (for some suitable stacks  $\varpi_y$ ).

Now, we have  $\theta' \star \zeta_y \cdot \varpi_y \succ \xi \star \zeta_y \cdot \zeta_y \cdot \kappa_y \cdot \varpi_y$  with  $\kappa_y = \mathbf{k}_\pi \alpha \zeta_y$ ; therefore, we have :  $\xi \star \zeta_y \cdot \zeta_y \cdot \kappa_y \cdot \varpi_y \notin \perp$  for each  $y \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ .

By hypothesis on  $\xi$  (with  $y = y'$ ), it follows that  $\kappa_y \not\Vdash \perp$  for every  $y < n$ .

It follows first that  $\alpha \not\Vdash \perp$  and therefore, we have  $a = 1$ ; thus  $\zeta_y \Vdash F(x_y, y, c)$ .

Moreover, since  $n > 2m$ , there exist  $y_0, y_1, y_2 < n$  distinct, such that  $x_{y_0} = x_{y_1} = x_{y_2}$ .

But, following the hypothesis of the theorem, the terms  $\zeta_{y_0}, \zeta_{y_1}, \zeta_{y_2}$  cannot be distinct, because  $\kappa_{y_0}, \kappa_{y_1}, \kappa_{y_2} \not\Vdash \perp$ . Therefore we have, for instance,  $\zeta_{y_0} = \zeta_{y_1}$ ; then, we apply the hypothesis on  $\xi$  with  $y = y_0, y' = y_1$ , which gives  $\xi \star \zeta_{y_0} \cdot \zeta_{y_1} \cdot \kappa \cdot \varpi \in \perp$  for every  $\kappa \in \Lambda$  and  $\varpi \in \Pi$ . But it follows that  $\xi \star \zeta_{y_0} \cdot \zeta_{y_0} \cdot \kappa_{y_0} \cdot \varpi_{y_0} \in \perp$  which is a contradiction.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.8.** *With the hypothesis of theorem 5.7, the following formulas are realized :*

- i)  $\forall n \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} a \overset{\mathbb{J}2}{\forall} (a \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{there is no surjection from } \mathbb{J}n \text{ onto } a \mathbb{J}(n+1)).$
- ii)  $\forall n \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} a \overset{\mathbb{J}2}{\forall} b \overset{\mathbb{J}2}{\forall} (a \wedge b = 0, b \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{there is no surjection from } a \mathbb{J}n \text{ onto } b \mathbb{J}2).$
- iii)  $\forall n \overset{\mathbb{N}}{\forall} a \overset{\mathbb{J}2}{\forall} b \overset{\mathbb{J}2}{\forall} (a \wedge b = a, a \neq b \rightarrow \text{there is no surjection from } a \mathbb{J}n \text{ onto } b \mathbb{J}2).$

*Proof.*

i) Suppose that there is a surjection from  $\mathbb{J}n$  onto  $a \mathbb{J}(n+1)$ . Then, by the recurrence scheme (theorem 4.12(ii)), we see that, for each integer  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a surjection from  $(\mathbb{J}n)^k$  onto  $(a \mathbb{J}(n+1))^k$ ; and, by proposition 5.6(ii) and the recurrence scheme, it follows that there is a surjection from  $\mathbb{J}(n^k)$  onto  $a \mathbb{J}((n+1)^k)$ .

But, for  $k > n$ , we have  $(n+1)^k > 2n^k$  and this contradicts theorem 5.7.

ii) Since  $a \wedge b = 0$ , the rings  $(a+b) \mathbb{J}n$  and  $a \mathbb{J}n \times b \mathbb{J}n$  are isomorphic. Reasoning by contradiction, there would exist a surjection from  $(a+b) \mathbb{J}n$  onto  $b \mathbb{J}2 \times b \mathbb{J}n$ , thus also onto  $b \mathbb{J}(2n)$  (proposition 5.6(ii)), thus a surjection from  $\mathbb{J}n$  onto  $b \mathbb{J}(2n)$ , which contradicts (i).

iii) Otherwise, there would exist a surjection from  $a \mathbb{J}n$  onto  $(b-a) \mathbb{J}2$ , which contradicts (ii).  $\square$

### Applications.

i) By DC, since  $\mathbb{J}2$  is atomless, there exists in  $\mathbb{J}2$  a strictly decreasing sequence. Hence, by

corollary 5.8(iii) and theorem 4.23, there exists a sequence of infinite subsets of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ , the “cardinals” of which are strictly decreasing.

ii) Applying corollary 5.8(ii) with  $n = 2$ , we see that there exist two subsets of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  the “cardinals” of which are incomparable ; which means that there is no surjection of one of them onto the other.

More precisely, let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the image of  $\mathbf{J2}$  by the injection in  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  given by theorem 4.23 ; then we have :

**Theorem 5.9.** *With the hypothesis of theorem 5.7, the following formula is realized in  $\mathcal{N}$  : “There exists a subset  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$  (the real line of the model  $\mathcal{N}$ ), such that  $\mathcal{B}$  is an atomless Boolean algebra for the usual order  $\subseteq$  on  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathbb{N}})$ , with  $\emptyset, \tilde{\mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{B}$  ;  $a, b \in \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow a \cap b \in \mathcal{B}$ .*

*If  $a \in \mathcal{B}, a \neq \emptyset$  then  $a\mathcal{B}$  is infinite and there is no surjection from  $\mathcal{B}$  onto  $a\mathcal{B} \times a\mathcal{B}$  (where  $a\mathcal{B}$  means  $\{x \in \mathcal{B}; x \subseteq a\}$ ).*

*If  $a, b \in \mathcal{B}, a, b \neq \emptyset$  and  $a \cap b = \emptyset$ , then there is no surjection from  $a\mathcal{B}$  onto  $b\mathcal{B}$  (the “cardinals” of  $a\mathcal{B}, b\mathcal{B}$  are incomparable).*

*If  $a, b \in \mathcal{B}, a \subseteq b$  and  $a \neq b$ , then there is no surjection from  $a\mathcal{B}$  onto  $b\mathcal{B}$  (the “cardinal” of  $a\mathcal{B}$  is strictly less than the “cardinal” of  $b\mathcal{B}$ ”).  $\square$*

In other words, for  $a, b \in \mathcal{B}$ , we have :  $a \subseteq b \Leftrightarrow$  there exists a surjection from  $b\mathcal{B}$  onto  $a\mathcal{B}$ . The order, in the atomless Boolean algebra  $\mathcal{B}$ , is the order on the “cardinals” of its initial segments.

**The model of threads.** This model is the canonical instance of a non trivial coherent realizability model. It is defined as follows :

Let  $n \mapsto \pi_n$  be an enumeration of the *stack constants* and let  $n \mapsto \theta_n$  be a recursive enumeration of the *proof-like terms*. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the *thread with number  $n$*  is the set of processes which appear during the execution of the process  $\theta_n \star \pi_n$ . In other words, it is the set of all processes  $\xi \star \pi$  such that  $\theta_n \star \pi_n \succ \xi \star \pi$ .

Note that every term which appears in the  $n$ -th thread contains the only stack constant  $\pi_n$ .

We define  $\perp^c$  (the complement of  $\perp$ ) as the union of all threads. Thus, a process  $\xi \star \pi$  is in  $\perp^c$  iff  $(\exists n \in \mathbb{N}) \theta_n \star \pi_n \succ \xi \star \pi$ .

Therefore, we have  $\xi \star \pi \in \perp$  iff the process  $\xi \star \pi$  never appears in any thread.

For every term  $\xi$ , we have  $\xi \Vdash \perp$  iff  $\xi$  never appears in head position in any thread.

If  $\xi$  is a proof-like term, we have  $\xi = \theta_n$  for some integer  $n$ , and therefore  $\xi \star \pi_n \notin \perp$ , by definition of  $\perp$ . It follows that *the model of threads is coherent*.

If  $\xi \in \Lambda$ ,  $\xi \not\Vdash \perp$  then  $\xi$  appears in head position in at least one thread. This thread is unique, unless  $\xi$  is a proof-like term, because it is determined by the number of any stack constant which appears in  $\xi$ .

**Theorem 5.10.** *The hypothesis of theorems 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.7 are satisfied in the model of threads.*

*Proof.* The hypothesis of theorems 5.3 and 5.1 are trivially satisfied if we take :

$\omega = (\lambda x xx)\lambda x xx$ ,  $\omega_0 = (\omega)\underline{0}$ , and  $\omega_1 = (\omega)\underline{1}$ .

Moreover, the hypothesis of theorem 5.7 is obviously stronger than the hypothesis of theorem 5.2.

We check the hypothesis of theorem 5.7 by contradiction :

Suppose that  $\mathbf{k}_\pi\alpha\zeta_0 \not\ll \perp$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_\pi\alpha\zeta_1 \not\ll \perp$  and  $\mathbf{k}_\pi\alpha\zeta_2 \not\ll \perp$ . Therefore, these three terms appear in head position, and moreover in the same thread : indeed, since they contain the stack  $\pi$ , this thread has the same number as the stack constant of  $\pi$ .

Let us consider their first appearance in head position, for instance with the order 0, 1, 2.

Therefore we have, in this thread :  $\mathbf{k}_\pi\alpha\zeta_0 \star \rho_0 \succ \alpha \star \pi \succ \dots \succ \mathbf{k}_\pi\alpha\zeta_1 \star \rho_1 \succ \alpha \star \pi \succ \dots$

But, at the second appearance of  $\alpha \star \pi$ , the thread enters into a loop, and the term  $\mathbf{k}_\pi\alpha\zeta_2$  can never arrive in head position, since  $\zeta_1 \neq \zeta_2$ .  $\square$

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