# PROPOSITIONAL GEOMETRIC TYPE THEORY HOTT/UF 2025

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#### **SETTING & IDEA**

Kind of Space	Geometric Int. Lang	Full Int. Lang
Top <sub>sob</sub>	prop. geom. logic	compl. Heyting alg.
Loc	prop. geom. logic	compl. Heyting alg.
Topos	geom. logic	MLTT
$\infty$ -Topos	∞-geom. logic?	HoTT

ightharpoonup Toposes classify geometric theories  $\mathbb{T}$ :

$$Topos(\mathcal{E}, [\mathbb{T}]) \cong Mod_{\mathbb{T}}(\mathcal{E}).$$

- ▶ Geometric logic is incomplete, so we need to study models in all toposes.
- Some topos-valid constructions, such as Π-types, are not geometric/continuous, i.e. not preserved by inverse image functors.
- ► There are still toposes classifying arbitrary objects or maps, so geometric reasoning should suffice.
- ► This suggests treating toposes as types (cf. [Vic07]).

#### **MOTIVATION**

- Recognition of geometric statements
- ▶ Transfer of results: *geometric* consequences of non-geometric statements are preserved
- ▶ Unification of external and internal perspective
- Unification of synthetic mathematics (SAG, SDG, STC)
- ► General treatment of modalities
- ► Recognition of classified geometric theories
- ► Synthetic Morita equivalences/bridges
- ▶ Definition of ∞-geometric logic
- ► Formalisation

#### RELATED WORK

There are lots of related ideas. None of them talk faithfully about *all* toposes, use the universal property of toposes as classifying spaces, and are an extension of HoTT.

- ► Topos-theoretic Multiverse [Ble]
- ► Multimodal Adjoint Type Theory [Shu23]
- ► Continuous Truth [Fou13]
- ► Abstract Stone Duality [Tay11]
- ► Synthetic Topology [Esc04]
- ► Synthetic Topos Theory [Uem]
- ► Arithmetic Type Theory [Vic08]

#### SKETCH OF INTENDED SEMANTICS

GTT should<sup>3</sup> be modeled by

$$Sh_{\infty}(Topos^1_{(2,1)},J_{\acute{e}tale})$$

with base type O = [FinSet, Set] classifying étale spaces (a.k.a. internal types)

$$T(X) \longrightarrow \dot{\mathbf{O}}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{X} \mathbf{O}$$

letting us recover the Sierpinski space

$$\mathbf{S} = \sum_{X:\mathbf{O}} isProp(\mathbf{T}(X)).$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>up to strictness and size issues, and a good choice of Grothendieck topology

**INTENDED SEMANTICS** 

▶ Approximate above setting using semantics in the category

$$Sh_0(Loc,J_{opencover}) \\$$

of sheaves of sets on the category of localic toposes with the subcanonical open cover topology.

► The Sierpinski space classifies open subtypes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\Gamma(p) & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{1} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
A & \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} & \mathbf{S}
\end{array}$$

#### **SYNTAX**

- ► Intensional MLTT
- ► Tarski-style universe

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash p : \mathbf{S}}{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{T}(p) \text{ type}}$$

- ▶ Bottom and top elements  $\bot$ ,  $\top$  : S with  $\mathbf{T}(\bot) \equiv \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{T}(\top) \equiv \mathbf{1}$ .
- ▶ Primitive binary conjunctions  $\land$  :  $S \rightarrow S \rightarrow S$
- ▶ Order relation  $p \le q :\equiv (p \land q =_{\mathbf{S}} p)$
- ► Meet-semilattice axioms

#### **OVERT DISCRETE SPACES**

▶  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is open if

$$f^*: (B \to S) \to (A \to S)$$

has a left adjoint  $f_!$ .

▶ *I* is *overt* if  $!: I \rightarrow \mathbf{1}$  is open, yielding

$$\bigvee: (I \to \mathbf{S}) \to \mathbf{S}.$$

- ▶ *A* is *discrete* if  $\Delta : A \rightarrow A \times A$  is open
- ▶ Assume **N** is overt discrete, **S**,  $\mathbf{T}(p)$  overt.
- ▶ Being overt discrete is closed under positive type formers.

$$(\mathbf{T}(p) \to \mathbf{S}) \to \sum_{q:\mathbf{S}} (q \le p)$$
  
$$\varphi \mapsto p \land \bigvee_{x:\mathbf{T}(p)} \varphi(x)$$

is an equivalence.

#### DIRECTED UNIVALENCE

For A and B overt discrete we should have directed univalence

$$(A \to B) \tilde{\to} \sum_{\gamma: \mathbf{S} \to \mathrm{ODisc}} (\gamma(\bot) = A) \times (\gamma(\top) = B)$$
$$f \mapsto \lambda p. \sum_{b: B} \mathbf{T}(p) \star \mathrm{fib}_f(b),$$

just like in Condensed Type Theory [Bar24, Com24].

#### **CURRENT WORK**

- ► Characterise the topology of function spaces
- ▶ Use synthetic quasi-coherence and local choice
- ▶ Justify usability of our theory by proving (cf. [Hyl81])

$$\big((N\to 2)\to 2\big)\simeq N$$

- ► Extend simplicial aspects
- ► Extend to full Geometric Type Theory

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