On the Power of Choice

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Realizer

Definition

A multi-valued function $f :\subseteq X \Rightarrow Y$ on represented spaces (X, δ_X) and (Y, δ_Y) is realized by a function $F :\subseteq \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \to \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ if

 $\delta_Y F(p) \in f \delta_X(p)$

for all $p \in \text{dom}(f \delta_X)$. We write $F \vdash f$ in this situation.



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Choice and Limit Computability



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