

Weak cuts in models of PA

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Strong cuts play an important role in the model theory of arithmetic, dating back to work by Kirby and Paris on independence results [2] [3]. In this talk we study cuts satisfying weaker properties of cuts which have arisen in various ways. First, we study *separable* cuts, which arose in [1] as those cuts I in countable recursively saturated models of PA for which there exist truth predicates T that are correct for disjunctions of the form $\bigvee_c (0 = 1)$ for any $c \in I$. We compare these with *rational* and *superrational* cuts studied in [4] in connection with the automorphism group of models of PA. We study the arithmetical properties of these cuts, as well as those studied by Kirby and Paris in [2] and [3]. We close with some open questions about cuts definable from truth predicates in countable, recursively saturated models of PA.

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