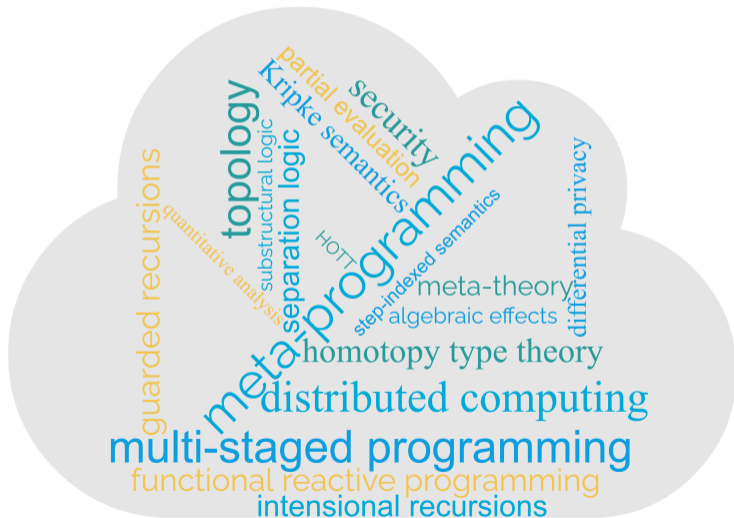


Foundations and Applications of Modal Type Theories

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Proposal Examination





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