

# **The Structure, the Whole Structure, and Not Nothing But The Structure**

A symposium on the occasion of  
Patrick Suppes' 90th birthday  
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Thomas Ryckman

**“One of the besetting sins of philosophers of science is to oversimplify the structure of science”**

Patrick Suppes, “Models of Data” (1962)

**“the structure of science”**

**“besetting sin”**

**“oversimplifying”**

**set-theoretic structures**

**the so-called Semantic View**

# Data Models



**the sins of the children:**

**“Structural Realism”**