

# Applied Proof Theory: Proof Interpretations and Their Use in Mathematics

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Corrected version Nov.20: a confused slide on the functional interpretation of weak compactness as well as a slide stating a bound on Browder's theorem have been deleted as the latter has been superseded meanwhile: weak compactness can be bypassed resulting in a primitive recursive bound.

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since this would solve the halting problem!

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## Herbrand's Theorem continued

Replacing in  $A^{H,D}$  all terms ' $g(s_i, t_j)$ ', ' $f(s_i)$ ', by new variables (treating larger terms first) results in another tautological disjunction  $A^D$  s.t.  $A$  can be inferred from  $A$  by a **direct proof**.

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- Herbrand's theorem immediately extends to first-order theories  $\mathcal{T}$  whose non-logical axioms  $G_1, \dots, G_n$  are all purely universal.



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The following upper bound on  $\#\{q : R(q)\}$  holds:

$$\#\{q : R(q)\} < \frac{7}{3}\varepsilon^{-1} \log N_\alpha + 6 \cdot 10^3 \varepsilon^{-5} \log^2 d \cdot \log(50\varepsilon^{-2} \log d),$$

where  $N_\alpha < \max(21 \log 2h(\alpha), 2 \log(1 + |\alpha|))$  and  $h$  is the logarithmic absolute homogeneous height and  $d = \deg(\alpha)$ .

Independently: Bombieri and van der Poorten 1988.

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From this definition it easily follows that

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Then the (partial) Herbrand normal form of this statement is

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Moreover, there exists an  $i < 2^k$  such that  $n$  can be taken as  $\tilde{g}^{(i)}(0)$ .

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## Corollary (T. Tao's finite convergence principle)

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \exists M \in \mathbb{N} \forall 1 \geq a_0 \geq \dots \geq a_M \geq 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \\ (N + g(N) \leq M \wedge \forall n, m \in [N, N + g(N)] (|a_n - a_m| \leq 2^{-k})).$$

One may take  $N := \Phi^*(g, k)$  as above.

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Theorem (Garrett Birkhoff 1939)

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Also relevant: **bounded functional interpretation** (F. Ferreira, P. Oliva)



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## Tao on a finitary approach to analysis

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(T. Tao: Soft analysis, hard analysis, and the finite convergence principle, 2007)

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Suppose there would exist an  $=_{\mathbb{R}}$ -extensional computable  $\Phi : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  producing such a  $n$ . Then  $\Phi$  would represent a **continuous** and hence **constant** function  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which gives a contradiction.



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Note that  $\Phi$  does not depend on  $U, v_0$  or  $X$ !

# Lecture III

# Applications to metric fixed point theory

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(Ishikawa I)

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Logical metatheorem applied to proof of Ishikawa's theorem yields computable  $\Psi, \Phi$  s.t. for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and n.e.  $f$

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# Known uniformity results in the bounded case

blue = hyperbolic, green = dir.nonex., red = both.

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- Ishikawa (1976): No uniformity
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- Goebel/Kirk (1982): Uniformity w.r.t.  $x_0$  and  $f$ . General  $\lambda_k$
- Kirk/Martinez (1990): Uniformity for unif. convex  $X$ ,  $\lambda := 1/2$
- Goebel/Kirk (1990): Conjecture: no uniformity w.r.t.  $C$
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$(K, d)$  **compact** metric space and  $f : K \rightarrow K$  continuous and generalized  $p$ -contractive for some  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $\xi$  and for every  $x \in K$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x) = \xi$ .

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$$\Phi(\varepsilon) := \begin{cases} p \lceil (b - \varepsilon) / \rho(\varepsilon) \rceil & \text{if } b > \varepsilon, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with

$$\rho(\varepsilon) := \min \left\{ \eta(\varepsilon), \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \eta\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega^p\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)\right) \right\}.$$

# Applications in Topological Dynamics

## Theorem (Multiple Birkhoff Recurrence)

Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space and  $T_1, \dots, T_k$  commuting homeomorphisms of  $X$ . Then there exists  $x \in X$  s.t.

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists n > 0 \bigwedge_{i=1}^k d(T_i^n(x), x) \leq \varepsilon.$$



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$$\varepsilon_1^{m+1} = \varepsilon/4, \quad \varepsilon_{i+1}^{m+1} = \omega^{\Phi_N^{m+1}(i) + \Phi_M^{m+1}(i)}(\varepsilon_i^{m+1}/2).$$

## Further applications of proof theory to mathematics

- Numerous further applications in metric fixed point theory (Briseid, Gerhardy, Lambov, Leustean, K.) published in:  
J.Math.Anal.Appl.(4), Nonlinear Analysis (2),  
Numer.Funct.Anal.Opt.(2), Trans AMS (2), J. EMS (1), Convex  
Analysis (1), Abstr.Appl.Anal.(1), Fixed Point Theory (1), Proc.  
Fixed Point Theory (1).
- New results on Hilbert's 17th problem (Delzell, Inventiones Math.  
etc.)
- Proof theory and Ramsey's theorem for pairs: see the talk by A.  
Kreuzer at this meeting (Wednesday 14.00).

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