

Types in Proof Mining

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By E. Specker 1949 there exist **computable** such sequences (a_n) even in $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$ **without computable bound** on ' $\exists n$ ' in (1).

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Generalized (variable length) Herbrand disjunction!

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Special Hilbert case: treated prior by Avigad/Gerhardy/Towsner
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Related problem: bad behavior w.r.t. modus ponens!

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PA^ω = **HA^ω** + $(A \vee \neg A)$.

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an explicit effective functional Φ realizing A^G , i.e.

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- All proofs of this celebrated theorem use **weak sequential compactness**. A particular simple proof is due to Brézis and Browder (1976).
- **Strong convergence in general fails** (counterexample by Baillon).
- In important **special cases** (see talk on Friday) **strong convergence** can be established.

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Based on the detailed construction of Ω^* and results of W.A. Howard it follows that $\Phi(\varepsilon, b, g) := \varphi(\Omega^*, \varepsilon, b, g)$ is definable in Gödel's T_4 (note that Φ has type level 2).

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Hence: Metatheorem applicable!

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$$L(k, g)(n) := n + P_0(k, F(k, g, n)) + \tilde{g}((n + P_0(k, F(k, g, n))) \cdot b \cdot 2^{k+1}),$$

$$N(k, g) := (L(k, g))^{(b^2 2^{k+2})}(0),$$

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