

# Ramsey's theorem for pairs and program extraction

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$\text{RCA}_0^\omega$  is the finite type extension of  $\text{RCA}_0$ :

- Sorted into type 0 for  $\mathbb{N}$ , type 1 for  $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , type 2 for  $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}}$ ,  $\dots$ ,
- contains basic arithmetic  $(+, \cdot)$ ,  $\lambda$ -abstraction,
- quantifier-free axiom of choice for numbers, i.e. the statement that definable functions of natural numbers exist,
- and a recursor  $R_0$ , which provides primitive recursion (for numbers),
- $\Sigma_1^0$ -induction.

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- Howard's ordinal analysis of the bar recursor shows that  $t$  is provably total relative to  $\Pi_\infty^0$ -induction.

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*for terms  $t_i$  containing only  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  free. This  $g$  can be chosen such that it is the same for each application.*

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- Finitely nested uses of instances of  $\text{RT}_2^2$  are implied by a suitable single instance of  $\Pi_1^0\text{-CA}$  having the same parameters.

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Use a refinement of Howard's ordinal analysis. □



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Hence

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Moreover **primitive recursive** terms can be extracted for  $\forall\exists$  sentences.

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- $\text{RCA}_0$  proves that the strong cohesive principle ( $\text{COH} + B\Sigma_2^0$ ) is equivalent to our variant of the Bolzano-Weierstraß principle.
- $\text{ADS}$  is equivalent to the stronger statement that each sequence of real numbers contains a monotone subsequence.

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