

Refutation of Ishihara's tricks and (seemingly) impossible theorems in constructive mathematics

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Abstract: The precise definition of LPO and Ishihara's tricks as rendered in four equations are *not* tautologous. This refutes LPO and Ishihara's tricks. What follows is that (seemingly) impossible theorems in constructive mathematics are denied as theorems. Therefore those conjectures are *non* tautologous fragment of the universal logic $\forall\exists 4$.

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/ $\forall\exists 4$ with Tautology as the designated proof value, **F** as contradiction, **N** as truthity (non-contingency), and **C** as falsity (contingency). The 16-valued truth table is row-major and horizontal, or repeating fragments of 128-tables, sometimes with table counts, for more variables. (See ersatz-systems.com.)

LET \sim Not, \neg ; + Or, \vee , \cup , \sqcup ; - Not Or; & And, \wedge , \cap , \square , $;$; \ Not And;
 $>$ Imply, greater than, \rightarrow , \Rightarrow , \mapsto , $>$, \supset , \rightsquigarrow ;
 $<$ Not Imply, less than, \in , $<$, \subset , \prec , \neq , \ll , \leq ;
 $=$ Equivalent, \equiv , $:=$, \Leftrightarrow , \leftrightarrow , \triangleq , \approx , \simeq ; @ Not Equivalent, \neq ;
 $\%$ possibility, for one or some, \exists , \diamond , **M**; # necessity, for every or all, \forall , \square , **L**;
 $(z=z)$ **T** as tautology, **T**, ordinal 3; $(z@z)$ **F** as contradiction, \emptyset , Null, \perp , zero;
 $(\%z>\#z)$ **N** as non-contingency, Δ , ordinal 1;
 $(\%z<\#z)$ **C** as contingency, ∇ , ordinal 2;
 $\sim(y < x)$ ($x \leq y$), ($x \subseteq y$); $(A=B)$ ($A\sim B$); $(B>A)$ ($A\neq B$); $(B>A)$ ($A\neq B$).
 Note for clarity, we usually distribute quantifiers onto each designated variable.

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We make frequent reference to two classically valid "omniscience principles", the limited principle of omniscience (LPO) [equivalent to the existence of strongly existensional discontinuous function f] and the weak limited principle of omniscience (WLPO) [equivalent to the existence of discontinuous function f].

The following lemma is very much folklore, at least the WLPO part, however we were unable to find it in the literature. ... Here and in the following a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ between two metric (X, σ) and (Y, ρ) is called *strongly extensional* if $\forall x, y \in X: f(x) \neq f(y) \Rightarrow x \neq y$, or to be more precise, $\forall x, y \in X: \rho(f(x), f(y)) > 0 \Rightarrow \sigma(x, y) > 0$. (2.3.1)

$$((r\&((p\&x)\&(p\&y)))>(p@p))>((s\&(x\&y))>(p@p)); \text{"or to be more precise"}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{TTTT TTTT TTTT TTTT (16),} \\ \text{TTTT TTTT } \mathbf{FFFF} \mathbf{FTFT} \text{ (16)} \end{array} \quad (2.3.2)$$

Proposition 3 (Ishihara's first trick). *For all positive reals $\alpha < \beta$,*
 $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}: \rho(f(xn), f(x)) > \alpha \vee \forall n \in \mathbb{N}: \rho(f(xn), f(x)) < \beta$. (3.1.1)

Remark 3.1.1: The expression *for all positive reals* $\alpha < \beta$ is mapped as (3.1.1.1)

$\alpha < \beta$ and $\alpha * \beta > 0$ to $\#((p < q) \& ((p \& q) > (p @ p))) = (p = p)$ for an antecedent result of **FNEF FNEF FNEF FNEF**. (3.1.1.2)

$$\begin{aligned} \#((p < q) \& ((p \& q) > (p @ p))) > ((\%u < v) > ((r \& ((s \& (x \& u)) \& (s \& x))) < \#q)) + \\ ((\#u < v) > ((r \& ((s \& (x \& u)) \& (s \& x))) < \#p)) &); \\ &TTTT \quad TTTT \quad TTTT \quad TTTT \quad (2) , \\ &TCTT \quad TCTT \quad TCTT \quad TCTT \quad (2) , \\ &TTTT \quad TTTT \quad TTTT \quad TTTT \quad (4) \end{aligned} \quad (3.1.2)$$

Proposition 4 (Ishihara's second trick). *For all positive reals* $\alpha < \beta$, *either we have* $\rho(f(xn), f(x)) < \beta$ *eventually, or* $\rho(f(xn), f(x)) > \alpha$ *infinitely often*. (4.1.1)

Remark 4.1.1: The terms *eventually* and *infinitely often* are mapped respectively as possibly and necessarily.

$$\begin{aligned} \#((p < q) \& ((p \& q) > (p @ p))) > (\%((r \& ((s \& (x \& u)) \& (s \& x))) < \#q)) + \\ (\#(r \& ((s \& (x \& u)) \& (s \& x))) < \#p) &); \\ &TCTT \quad TCTT \quad TCTT \quad TCTT \quad (2) , \\ &TCTT \quad TCTT \quad TCTT \quad TTTT \quad (2) \end{aligned} \quad (4.1.2)$$

There are various results that improve, generalise, or modify Ishihara's tricks ...

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