

Arithmetical theories and the automation of induction

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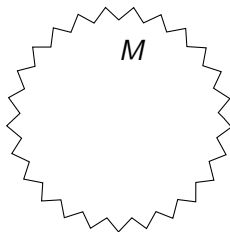
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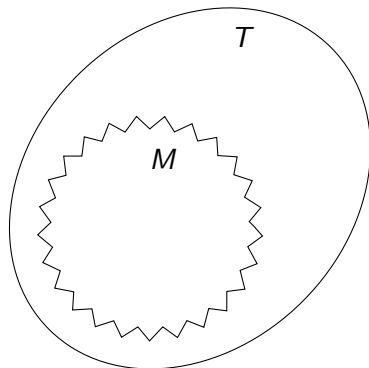
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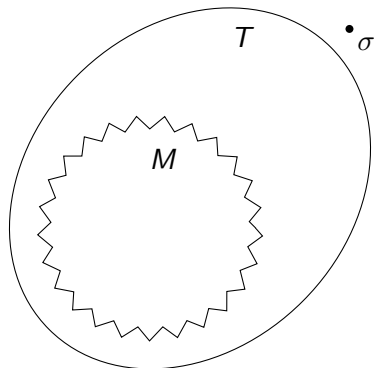
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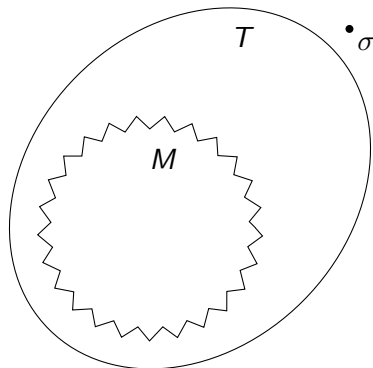
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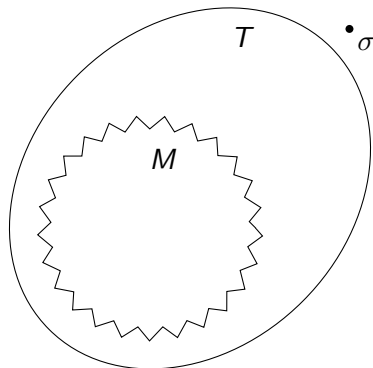
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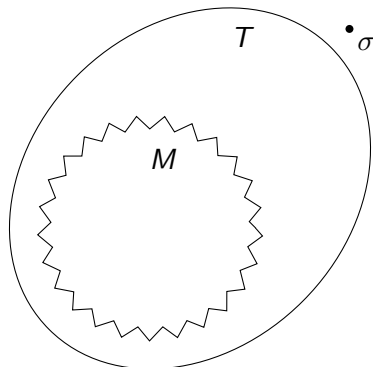
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$$s(x) \neq 0$$

$$x + 0 = x$$

$$p(0) = 0$$

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open induction is equivalent to

$$x + y = y + x$$

$$x = 0 \vee x = s(p(x))$$

$$(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$$

$$x + y = x + z \rightarrow y = z$$

- Shepherdson '60ies: systematic study

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- **Theorem.** [H, Vierling]

$$T + \text{Open-IND} \not\vdash Y \frown X = Z \frown X \rightarrow Y = Z.$$

- **Project.** Systematic picture of subsystems of open induction
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 - for numbers (in various signatures)
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