

# Theorems, Games, Proofs and Optimal Strategies

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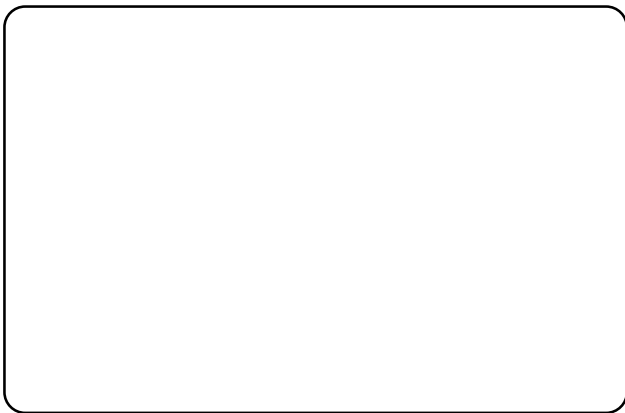


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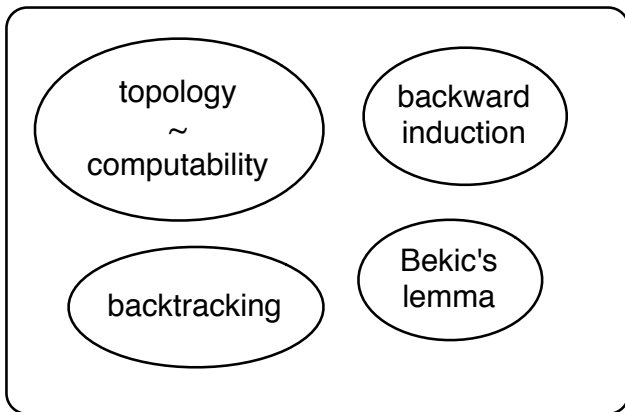
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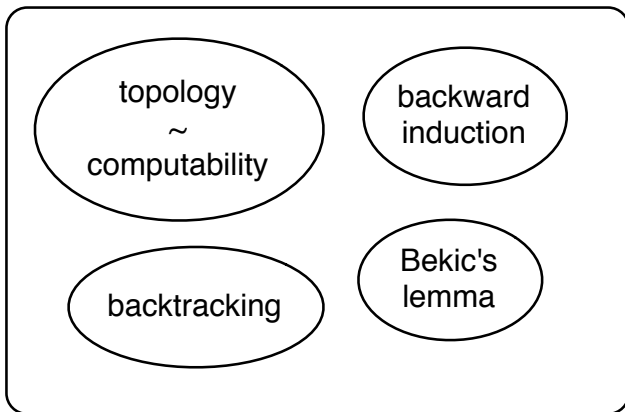
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**Other examples:**  $\exists, \forall, \sup, \int_0^1, \text{fix}, \dots$





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is the **strategic (optimal) play**

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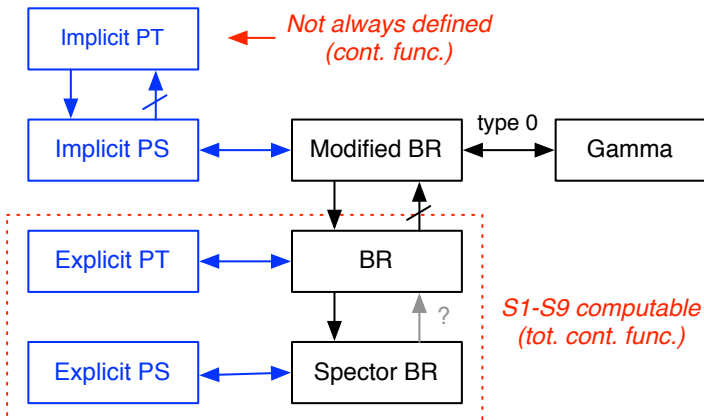
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# Bar recursion



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