An Open Markup Format for Mathematical Documents OMDOC [Version 1.6 (pre-2.0)]

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1 The OMDoc Format

In this chapter we will discuss issues that pertain to the general setup of the OMDoc format, before we present the respective modules in later chapters. OMDoc1.6 is the first step towards a second version of the OMDoc format.

1.1 Dimensions of Representation in OMDoc

Strict vs. Pragmatic The OM-Doc format is divided into two sublanguages: "Strict" OMDoc (in the lower half of Figure 1) and "Pragmatic" OMDoc (in the upper half²). first subset uses a minimal set of elements representing the meaning of a mathematical expression in a uniform structure, while the second one tries to strike a pragmatic balance between verbosity and formality. Both forms of content expressions are legitimate and have their role in representing mathematics. The strict OMDoc format features a minimal set of conceptually orthogonal representational primitives, resulting in expressions with canonical structure, which simplifies the implementation of OMDoc processors as well as the comparison of content expressions. The pragmatic OMDoc format provides a large representational infrastructure that aims at being intuitive for humans to understand, read, and write.³

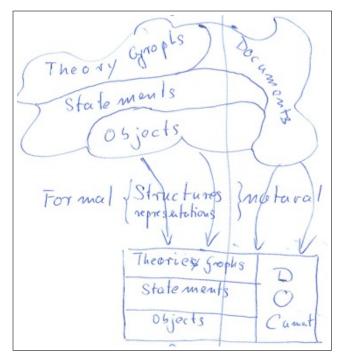


Figure 1: Dimensions of Representation in OMDoc

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In particular, the simplicity and conceptual clarity of strict OMDoc allow to express structural well-formedness constraints, whereas the vocabulary of pragmatic OMDoc is much nearer to mathematical practice and is thus easier to learn. It is a crucial design choice of the OMDoc format that the meaning fo pragmatic representations is defined entirely interms of strict representations¹. Note that there may be multiple "pragmatic vocabularies" defined in terms of the strict core catering to different communities and their tastes.

The introduction of strict OMDoc and the re-interpretation of pragmatic OMDoc in terms of it is radical redesign of the OMDoc format, which is new in OMDoc1.6. For this reason we consider OMDoc1.6 the first step into the direction of OMDoc2. With the development of strict OMDoc we aim to identify the representational primitives for representing mathematical documents, which can be given a simple and elegant semantics.

Formal vs. Informal One of the hallmarks of mathematical language is that it is very rigorous in structure and usage in an attempt to fix the meaning of (mathematical) objects and statements about them. Indeed, the first decades of the last century established that mathematical language

¹New Part: re-read and strengthen the argumentation

 $^{^2\}mathrm{Ed}\mathrm{Note}\colon$ add the words "strict" and "pragmatic" to the picture

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¹The strategy of dividing a markup format into a simple and structurally elegant core language and a larger set of pragmatic extensions which can be given a meaning by translating into the core was first pioneered by the author for content MathmL3 [Aus+10]

can in principle be expanded into logical form, where all objects and statements are fully identified by their syntactic form, and all reasoning steps are similarly justified by their form alone. we speak of "formal mathematics", when this is exercised and of "formal reasoning", when proofs are carried out in logical systems on this basis. In the last decades, significant parts of mathematical knowledge have been formalized and verified with the help of computers. But formalization and formal reasoning is still so costly and tedious that only a very small part of mathematics is formalized and verified in practice. Currently almost all mathematical documents consist of a mix of formal and informal (i.e. natural language) elements — certainly during the development of mathematical knowledge, but also in publications. Therefore representation formats for mathematical documents must allow this as well, consequently, OMDoc has two sub-languages, "formal OMDoc" (on the left side of Figure 1) and "natural OMDoc" (on the right side).

OMDoc offers markup at three levels: objects, statements, and context.

objects are usually represented as formulae or natural language phrases in mathematical documents. In formal OMDoc formulae are marked up according to their functional structure (as operator trees) and according to their layout in informal OMDoc (as layout trees). Note that any object can be represented in both ways and both ways of representation can be mixed at any level to account for mathematical practice, e.g. for mixed formulae like $\{n \in \mathbb{N} | n \text{ is prime and } n > 2\}$.

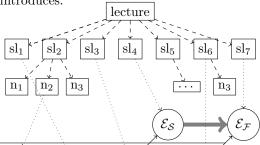
statements are usually represented as natural language sentences (with formulae)² in informal settings and as (closed, logical) formulae in formal ones. The discussion about the two ways of representation of objects applies analogously. Note that functional markup in formal OMDoc only addresses part of the requirements of formality, since their meaning depends on their context; we will explore this next.

theory graphs The context of objects (and the statements that contain them) is given by special statements (declarations). For conciseness and tractability, OMDoc groups declarations into "theories" and connects them by "theory morphisms" into "theory graphs". In a nutshell, every object (and thus every statement) has a "home theory", in which it is meaningful. Theory morphisms make objects and statements available in their target theories.

As statements, theories and theory graphs are large objects, their informal representations (as mathematical text fragments and documents) usually carry linguistic cues to their discourse structure⁴. We discuss the relation between the discourse structure of informal representations and the formal structure of statements and theory graphs next.

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Discourse vs. Content Structure Mathematical documents are very explicitly structured to help the reader grasp the complex objects, their relationships, and the flow of the argumentation in the proofs: Objects are often represented as formulae that reveal their structure, statements are labeled by indicators to their epistemic contribution to context (e.g. by labeling them as "definitions" or "theorems") and numbered for exact reference. The exposition of larger documents usually follows a topical structure with superimposed narrative structure driven by knowledge dependencies rather than e.g. a temporal dramaturgy driven by suspense. Even so, the structure of an informal document may be quite different from the formal structure of the knowledge it introduces.



For instance, when we introduce a new concept in a course, we often first introduce a naive reduced approximation \mathcal{N} of the real theory \mathcal{F} , only to show an example $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{N}}$ of where this is insufficient. Then we propose a first (straw-man) solution \mathcal{S} , and show an example $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{S}}$ of why this does not work. Based on the information we gleaned from this failed attempt, we build the eventual

200 even larger text fragments made up of sentences like paragraphs EAEDNOTE: change the Socuments" in Figure 1 to "discourse", at least in the strict box

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Figure 2: Content vs. Narrative Structures

version \mathcal{F} of the concept or theory and demonstrate that this works on $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{F}}$.

The structure with the solid lines and boxes at the bottom of Figure 2 represents the content structure, where the circles \mathcal{N} , $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{N}}$, \mathcal{E} , $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{S}}$, \mathcal{F} , and $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{F}}$ signify theories for the content of the respective concepts and examples. The arrows represent the theory inheritance structure, e.g. Theory \mathcal{F}

imports theory \mathcal{N} . The top part of the diagram with the dashed lines stands for the narrative structure, where the arrows mark up the document structure. For instance, the slides sl_i are grouped into a lecture. In the example in Figure 2, the second slide of "lecture" presents the first example: the text fragment n_1 introduces it, and n_2 presents $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{N}}$ and n_2 might say something like "this did not work in the current situation, so we have to extend the conceptualization...". In a conventional setting, the narrative structure on the top and the content structure would be represented in different documents: The lecture slides and the formalization, and the equivalences (e.g. that n_2 verbalizes $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{N}}$; we have visualized these relations as dotted arrows in Figure 2) could not be taken advantage of, since they are not explicitly represented.

But these equivalences can be utilized to render services to the reader, for instance the imports relation in the theory graph on the lower half of Figure 2 induces a dependency relation that can be used to generate a minimal explanation (without the motivation) of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{F}}$. For an example at the object level, consider for instance the formula $a(x+y^2)$, whose layout is ambiguous in two places: a could be a factor in a product (presented as juxtaposition) or a function that is applied to an argument. Likewise y^2 could be the variable y raised to the second power or the second element in the sequence y^1, y^2, \ldots, y^n . Humans can usually disambiguate this from the con-

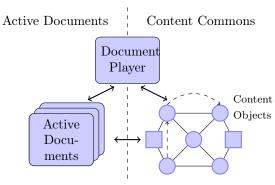


Figure 3: The Active Documents Paradigm

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text, but a screen reader service needs access to the operator tree to read this as "a times [pause] x plus y squared" or "a applied to [pause] x plus y two".

OMDoc aims to reconcile the dichotomy between discourse structures (in informal mathematical documents which currently carry most of mathematical knowledge) and formal structures (that machines can operate upon) in one joint format. The central technique employed in OMDoc is that of "parallel markup": The technique comes from MathML, where the semantics element is used to accomodate equivalent layout (presentation MATHML) and operator trees (content MATHML) and possibly foreign representations. Equivalence of nested sub-structures are represented by special cross-references. The MATHML processor choses the one most adequate to its task — in the absence of distinguisthing information the first child.

OMDoc extends this to the document level: The document contains elements whose children are alternative representations of the same object/statement/theory.⁵ The significance of this is for that is Figure 3 shows the ⁶.

Just as for content-based systems on the formula level, there are now MKM systems that generate presentation markup from content markup, based on general presentation principles, also on this level. For instance, the ActiveMath system [Mel+03] generates a simple narrative structure (the presentation; called a personalized book) from the underlying content structure (given in OMDoc) and a user model.

⁵Ednote: implement this, and think about the cross-referencing, also need continuations to break tree overlaps, e.g. in content objects straddling slides.

e.g. in content objects straddling slides. $^{6}\mathrm{EdNote}$: talk about parallel markup, content documents and narrative documents and how to crosslink them and share structure

Coverage Currently our understanding of these primitives is largely limited to formal parts of mathematics, therefore strict OMDoc1.6 covers significantly less of informal mathematical documents than OMDoc1.2, so the meaning-giving translation from pragmatic OMDoc elements to strict OMDoc is partial. We plan to develop strict OMDoc into a system with greater coverage in the upcoming versions of OMDoc. OMDoc2.0 will be the first stable version where the coverage of strict OMDoc is complete.

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1.2 OMDoc as a Modular Format

A modular approach to design is generally accepted as best practice in the development of any type of complex application. It separates the application's functionality into a number of "building blocks" or "modules", which are subsequently combined according to specific rules to form the entire application. This approach offers numerous advantages: The increased conceptual clarity allows developers to share ideas and code, and it encourages reuse by creating well-defined modules that perform a particular task. Modularization also reduces complexity by decomposition of the application's functionality and thus decreases debugging time by localizing errors due to design changes. Finally, flexibility and maintainability of the application are increased because single modules can be upgraded or replaced independently of others.

The OMDoc vocabulary has been split by thematic role, which we will briefly overview in Figure 4 before we go into the specifics of the respective modules in Section 1 to ?spec@quiz?. To avoid repetition, we will introduce some attributes already in this chapter that are shared by elements from all modules. In ?spec@document-model? we will discuss the OMDoc document model and possible sub-languages of OMDoc that only make use of parts of the functionality (?spec@sub-languages?).

The first four modules in Figure 4 are required (mathematical documents without them do not really make sense), the other ones are optional. The document-structuring elements in module DOC have an attribute modules that allows to specify which of the modules are used in a particular document (see Section 4 and ?spec@sub-languages?).

1.3 The OMDoc Namespaces

The namespace for the OMDoc2 format is the URI http://omdoc.org/ns. Note that the OMDoc namespace does not reflect the versions³, this is done in the version attribute on the document root element omdoc (see Section 4). As a consequence, the OMDoc vocabulary identified by this namespace is not static, it can change with each new OMDoc version. However, if it does, the changes will be documented in later versions of the specification: the latest released version can be found at [OMDoc].

In an OMDoc document, the OMDoc namespace must be specified either using a namespace declaration of the form xmlns="http://omdoc.org/ns" on the omdoc element or by prefixing the local names of the OMDoc elements by a namespace prefix (OMDoc customarily use the prefixes omdoc: or o:) that is declared by a namespace prefix declaration of the form xmlns:o="http://omdoc.org/ns" on some element dominating the OMDoc element in question (see for an introduction). OMDoc also uses the following namespaces⁴:

Format	namespace URI	see
Dublin Core	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/	Subsection 1.5 and ?spec@dc-roles?
Creative Commons	http://creativecommons.org/ns	Subsection 1.6
МатнМL	http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML	Subsubsection 2.1.1
OpenMath	http://www.openmath.org/OpenMath	Subsubsection 2.1.0
XSLT	http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform	Subsection 2.6

Thus a typical document root of an OMDoc document looks as follows:

³The namespace is different from the OMDoc1 formats (versions 1.0, 1.1, and 1.2), which was http://www.mathweb.org/omdoc, but the OMDoc2 namespace will stay constant over all versions of the OMDoc2 format.

⁴In this specification we will use the namespace prefixes above on all the elements we reference in text unless they are in the OMDoc namespace.

ModuleTitleRequired?ChapterMOBJMathematical ObjectsyesSection 1					
yes section 1					
Formulae are a central part of mathematical documents; this module integrates					
the content-oriented representation formats OpenMath and MathML into					
OMDoc					
MTXT Mathematical Text yes Subsection 3.2					
Mathematical vernacular, i.e. natural language with embedded formulae					
DOC Document Infrastructure yes Section 4					
A basic infrastructure for assembling pieces of mathematical knowledge into					
functional documents and referencing their parts					
DC Metadata yes Subsection 1.5 and ?spec@dc-role	es?				
Contains bibliographical and licensing metadata ("data about data") which can					
be used to annotate many OMDoc elements by descriptive and administrative					
information that facilitates navigation and organization					
RT Rich Text Structure no Subsubsection 3.3.4					
Rich text structure in mathematical vernacular (lists, paragraphs, tables,)					
ST Mathematical Statements no Section 2					
Markup for mathematical forms like theorems, axioms, definitions, and ex-					
amples that can be used to specify or define properties of given mathematical					
objects and theories to group mathematical statements and provide a notion of					
context.					
PF Proofs and proof objects no Subsection 3.7					
Structure of proofs and argumentations at various levels of details and formal-					
ity					
ADT Abstract Data Types no ?spec@adt?					
Definition schemata for sets that are built up inductively from constructor					
symbols					
CTH Complex Theories no Subsection 4.1					
Theory morphisms; they can be used to structure mathematical theories					
DG Development Graphs no Subsubsection 4.2.4					
Infrastructure for managing theory inclusions, change management					
EXT Applets, Code, and Data no ?spec@ext?					
Markup for applets, program code, and data (e.g. images, measurements,)					
PRES Presentation Information no Subsection 2.6					
Limited functionality for specifying presentation and notation information for					
local typographic conventions that cannot be determined by general principles					
alone					
QUIZ Infrastructure for Assessments no ?spec@quiz?					
Markup for exercises integrated into the OMDoc document model					

Figure 4: The OMDoc Modules

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
 <omdoc xml:id="test.omdoc" version="1.6"
 xmlns="http://omdoc.org/ns"
 xmlns:cc="http://creativecommons.org/ns"
 xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
 xmlns:om="http://www.openmath.org/OpenMath"
 xmlns:m="http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML">
 ...
 </omdoc>

1.4 Common Attributes in OMDoc

Generally, the OMDoc format allows any attributes from foreign (i.e. non-OMDoc) namespaces on the OMDoc elements. This is a commonly found feature that makes the XML encoding of the OMDoc format extensible. Note that the attributes defined in this specification are in the default (empty) namespace: they do not carry a namespace prefix. So any attribute of the form na:xxx is allowed as long as it is in the scope of a suitable namespace prefix declaration.

Many OMDoc elements have optional xml:id attributes that can be used as identifiers to reference them. These attributes are of type ID, they must be unique in the document which is important, since many XML applications offer functionality for referencing and retrieving elements by ID-type attributes. Note that unlike other ID-attributes, in this special case it is the name xml:id [MVW05] that defines the referencing and uniqueness functionality, not the type declaration in the DTD or XML schema (see for a discussion).

Note that in the OMDoc format proper, all ID type attributes are of the form xml:id. However in the older OPENMATH and MATHML standards, they still have the form id. The latter are only recognized to be of type ID, if a document type or XMLschema is present. Therefore it depends on the application context, whether a DTD should be supplied with the OMDoc document.

For many occasions (e.g. for printing OMDoc documents), authors want to control a wide variety of aspects of the presentation. OMDoc is a content-oriented format, and as such only supplies an infrastructure to mark up content-relevant information in OMDoc elements. To address this dilemma XML offers an interface to Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) [Bos+98], which allow to specify presentational traits like text color, font variant, positioning, padding, or frames of layout boxes, and even aural aspects of the text.

To make use of CSS, most OMDoc elements (all that have xml:id attributes) have style attributes that can be used to specify CSS directives for them. In the OMDoc fragment in Listing 1 we have used the style attribute to specify that the text content of the omtext element should be formatted in a centered box whose width is 80% of the surrounding box (probably the page box), and that has a 2 pixel wide solid frame of the specified RGB color. Generally CSS directives are of the form A:V, where A is the name of the aspect, and V is the value, several CSS directives can be combined in one style attribute as a semicolon-separated list (see [Bos+98] and the emerging CSS 3 standard).

Listing 1: Basic CSS Directives in a style Attribute

Note that many CSS properties of parent elements are inherited by the children, if they are not explicitly specified in the child. We could for instance have set the font family of all the children of the omtext element by adding a directive font-family:sans-serif there and then override it by a directive for the property font-family in one of the children.

Frequently recurring groups of CSS directives can be given symbolic names in CSS styles heets, which can be referenced by the class attribute. In Listing 1 we have made use of this with the class emphasize, which we assume to be defined in the style sheet style.css associated with the document in the "style sheet processing instruction" in the prolog⁵ of the XML document (see [Cla99a] for details). Note that an OMDoc element can have both class and style attributes, in this case, precedence is determined by the rules for CSS style sheets as specified in [Bos+98]. In our example in Listing 1 the directives in the style attribute take precedence over

⁵i.e. at the very beginning of the XML document before the document type declaration

the CSS directives in the style sheet referenced by the class attribute on the phrase element. As a consequence, the word "stylish" would appear in green, bold italics.

1.5 Metadata (Module DC)

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Metadata is "data about data" — in the case of OMDoc data about documents fragments, such as titles, authorship, language usage, or administrative aspects like modification dates, distribution rights, identifiers, or version information. OMDoc documents also contain data about realations between mathematical objects, statements, and theories, that other applications would consider as metadata. To ensure interoperability with such applications and the Semantic Web, OMDoc supports the extraction of OMDoc-specific metadata to the RDF format⁸ and the annotation of many OMDoc elements with web-ontology metadata.

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In this section we will introduce the metadata framework for strict omdoc, which provides a generic, extensible infrastructure for adding metadata based on the recently stabilized RDFa [Adi+08] a standard for flexibly embedding metadata into X(HT)ML documents. This design decision allows us to separate the syntax (which is standardized in RDFa) from the semantics, which we externalize in metadata ontologies, which can be encoded in OMDoc; see [Koh09a, Part III].

The OMDoc format will incorporate various concrete metadata vocabularies as part of the document format. These are given as documented ontologies encoded as OMDoc theories and are normative parts of the format specification. Note that these metadata theories⁹ can be thought of as the minimal specifications of the metadata: Refinements are admissible, if they are formulated as OMDoc theories that entertain views into the normative theories.¹⁰

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Element	Attributes	Content	
	Req.	Optional	
metadata			(meta link)*
meta	property, content	datatype	ANY
link	rel	href	(resource mlink meta)*
resource		typeof, about	(meta link)*

Figure 5: Metadata in OMDoc

Definition 1.1 The **metadta** element contains content encodings for RDF triples and resources.

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1.5.1 Pragmatic to Strict Translation

Every OMDoc element that admits a metadata child can serve as a metadata subject, so we can offer the following pragmatic (abbreviative) syntax:

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⁸EdNote: MK@CL write up something about processing in projects or processing and reference it here

 $^{^9\}mathrm{EdNote}\colon\mathsf{MK@MK}\colon\mathsf{reference}$ theory framework (probably the strict one)

¹⁰EDNOTE: MK@MK: dream up a framework how to include the ontologies into the spec (probably as the DC and CC chapters; but do not forget the assertion type ontology, see Ticket 1511 in the OMDoc TRAC).

 $^{^{11}{}m EdNote}$: **QCL**: need to verbalize this.

¹²EdNote: **@CL**: explain curies here.

 $^{^{13}\}mathrm{EdNote}\colon$ QCL: need a simple example here, best DC metadata that we can take up later.

pragmatic	strict equivalent
	$ \begin{array}{l} <\langle \langle elt \rangle \rangle \\ \\ \\ \end{array} $
$ \begin{array}{l} <\langle \langle elt \rangle \ rel="\langle r \rangle " \ href="\langle h \rangle "> \\ < metadata> \\ \langle meta \rangle \\ \\ \langle body \rangle \\ \\ \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} <\langle \langle elt \rangle \rangle \\ < \text{metadata} \rangle \\ < \text{link rel} = "\langle r \rangle " \text{ href} = "\langle h \rangle "/> \\ \langle meta \rangle \\ \\ \end{array} $

OMDoc1.2 had some descriptions of metadata inhertance for Dublin Core Metadata. In the new metadata framework we do not need to explicitly present this, since it is part of the metadata ontology: If a metadatum can be inferred it is defined to be present. 14

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1.6 Dublin Core Metadata in OMDoc

The most commonly used metadata standard is the Dublin Core vocabulary, which is supported in some form by most formats. OMDoc uses this vocabulary for compatibility with other metadata applications and extends it for document management purposes in OMDoc. Most importantly OMDoc extends the use of metadata from documents to other (even mathematical) elements and document fragments to ensure a fine-grained authorship and rights management.

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1.6.1 Dublin Core Ontology

1.6.2 Pragmatic Dublin Core Elements

In the following we will describe the variant of Dublin Core metadata elements used in OMDoc. Here, the metadata element can contain any number of instances of any Dublin Core elements described below in any order. In fact, multiple instances of the same element type (multiple dc:creator elements for example) can be interspersed with other elements without change of meaning. OMDoc extends the Dublin Core framework with a set of roles (from the MARC relator set [MR03]) on the authorship elements and with a rights management system based on the Creative Commons Initiative.

The descriptions in this section are adapted from [DCM03a], and augmented for the application in OMDoc where necessary. All these elements live in the Dublin Core namespace http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/, for which we traditionally use the namespace prefixdc:.

Definition 1.2 (Titles) The title of the element — note that OMDoc metadata can be specified at multiple levels, not only at the document level, in particular, the Dublin Core **dc:title** element can be given to assign a title to a theorem, e.g. the "Substitution Value Theorem".

dc:title

The dc:title element can contain mathematical vernacular (see Subsection 3.2). Multiple dc:title elements inside a metadata element are assumed to be translations of each other. 16

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Definition 1.3 (Creators) A primary creator or author of the publication. Additional contributors whose contributions are secondary to those listed in **dc:creator** elements should be named in dc:contributor elements. Documents with multiple co-authors should provide multiple dc:creator elements, each containing one author. The order of dc:creator elements is presumed to define the order in which the creators' names should be presented.

 ${\tt dc:creator}$

As markup for names across cultures is still un-standardized, OMDoc recommends that the content of a dc:creator element consists in a single name (as it would be presented to the user).

 $^{^{14}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: **@CL**, make a simple concrete example.

 $^{^{15}\}mathrm{New}$ Part: MK@CL, please discuss

 $^{^{16}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: do we still want this?

Element	Attributes		Content
	Req.	Optional	
dc:creator		xml:id, class, style, role	ANY
dc:contributor		xml:id, class, style, role	ANY
dc:title		xml:lang	⟨math vernacular⟩⟩
dc:subject		xml:lang	《math vernacular》
dc:description		xml:lang	《math vernacular》
dc:publisher		xml:id, class, style	ANY
dc:date		action, who	ISO 8601
dc:type			fixed: "Dataset" or "Text"
dc:format			fixed: "application/omdoc+xml"
dc:identifier		scheme	ANY
dc:source			ANY
dc:language			ISO 639
dc:relation			ANY
dc:rights			ANY
for $\langle\!\langle math\ vernacular \rangle\!\rangle$ see Subsection 3.2			

Figure 6: Dublin Core Metadata in OMDoc

The dc:creator element has an optional attribute dc:id so that it can be cross-referenced and a role attribute to further classify the concrete contribution to the element. We will discuss its values in ?spec@dc-roles?.

Definition 1.4 (Contributors) A party whose contribution to the publication is secondary to those named in dc:creator elements. Apart from the significance of contribution, the semantics of the dc:contributor is identical to that of dc:creator, it has the same restriction content and carries the same attributes plus a dc:lang attribute that specifies the target language in case the contribution is a translation.

dc:contributor

Definition 1.5 (Subjects) This element contains an arbitrary phrase or keyword, the attribute dc:lang is used for the language. Multiple instances of the dc:subject element are supported per dc:lang for multiple keywords.

dc:subject

Definition 1.6 (Descriptions) A text describing the containing element's content; the attribute dc:lang is used for the language. As description of mathematical objects or OMDoc fragments may contain formulae, the content of this element is of the form "mathematical text" described in Subsection 3.2.

Definition 1.7 (Publishers) The entity for making the document available in its present form, such as a publishing house, a university department, or a corporate entity. The **dc:publisher** element only applies if the metadata is a direct child of the root element (omdoc) of a document.

dc:publisher

Definition 1.8 (Dates) The date and time a certain action was performed on the element that contains this. The content is in the format defined by XML Schema data type dateTime (see [BM04] for a discussion), which is based on the ISO 8601 norm for dates and times.

Concretely, the format is $\langle\!\langle YYYY\rangle\!\rangle - \langle\!\langle MM\rangle\!\rangle - \langle\!\langle DD\rangle\!\rangle T\langle\!\langle hh\rangle\!\rangle : \langle\!\langle mm\rangle\!\rangle : \langle\!\langle ss\rangle\!\rangle$ where $\langle\!\langle YYYY\rangle\!\rangle$ represents the year, $\langle\!\langle MM\rangle\!\rangle$ the month, and $\langle\!\langle DD\rangle\!\rangle$ the day, preceded by an optional leading "-" sign to indicate a negative number. If the sign is omitted, "+" is assumed. The letter "T" is the date/time separator and $\langle\!\langle hh\rangle\!\rangle$, $\langle\!\langle mm\rangle\!\rangle$, $\langle\!\langle ss\rangle\!\rangle$ represent hour, minutes, and seconds respectively. Additional digits can be used to increase the precision of fractional seconds if desired, i.e the format $\langle\!\langle ss\rangle\!\rangle$. $\langle\!\langle sss\rangle\!\rangle$. $\rangle\!\langle sss\rangle$. $\rangle\!\rangle$ with any number of digits after the decimal point is supported. The **dc:date** element has the attributes action and who to specify who did what: The value of who is a reference to a dc:creator or dc:contributor element and action is a keyword for the action undertaken. Recommended values include the short forms updated, created, imported, frozen, review-on, normed with the obvious meanings. Other actions may be specified by URIs pointing to documents that explain the action.

dc:date

Definition 1.9 (Types) Dublin Core defines a vocabulary for the document types in [DCM03b]. The best fit values for OMDoc are

Dataset defined as "information encoded in a defined structure (for example lists, tables, and databases), intended to be useful for direct machine processing."

Text "a resource whose content is primarily words for reading. For example – books, letters, dissertations, poems, newspapers, articles, archives of mailing lists. Note that facsimiles or images of texts are still of the genre text."

Collection defined as "an aggregation of items. The term collection means that the resource is described as a group; its parts may be separately described and navigated".

The more appropriate should be selected for the element that contains the **dc:type**. If it consists mainly of formal mathematical formulae, then <code>Dataset</code> is better, if it is mainly given as text, then <code>Text</code> should be used. More specifically, in OMDoc the value <code>Dataset</code> signals that the order of children in the parent of the <code>metadata</code> is not relevant to the meaning. This is the case for instance in formal developments of mathematical theories, such as the specifications in Subsection 4.1.

dc:type

Definition 1.10 (Formats) The physical or digital manifestation of the resource. Dublin Core suggests using MIME types [FB96]. Following [MSK01] we fix the content of the **dc:format** element to be the string application/omdoc+xml as the MIME type for OMDoc.

dc:format

Definition 1.11 (Identifiers) A string or number used to uniquely identify the element. The **dc:identifier** element should only be used for public identifiers like ISBN or ISSN numbers. The numbering scheme can be specified in the scheme attribute.

dc:identifier

Definition 1.12 (Sources) Information regarding a prior resource from which the publication was derived. We recommend using either a URI or a scientific reference including identifiers like ISBN numbers for the content of the **dc:source** element.

dc:source

Definition 1.13 (Relations) Relation of this document to others. The content model of the **dc:relation** element is not specified in the OMDoc format.

dc:relation

Definition 1.14 (Languages) If there is a primary language of the document or element, this can be specified here. The content of the **dc:language** element must be an ISO 639 norm two-letter language specifier, like $en \cong English$, $de \cong German$, $fr \cong French$, $n1 \cong Dutch$,

dc:language

Definition 1.15 (Rights) Information about rights held in and over the document or element content or a reference to such a statement. Typically, a dc:rights element will contain a rights management statement, or reference a service providing such information. dc:rights information often encompasses Intellectual Property rights (IPR), Copyright, and various other property rights. If the dc:rights element is absent (and no dc:rights information is inherited), no assumptions can be made about the status of these and other rights with respect to the document or element.

dc:rights

OMDoc supplies specialized elements for the Creative Commons licenses to support the sharing of mathematical content. We will discuss them in Subsection 1.6.

Note that Dublin Core also defines a Coverage element that specifies the place or time which the publication's contents addresses. This does not seem appropriate for the mathematical content of OMDoc, which is largely independent of time and geography.

Roles in Dublin Core Elements Because the Dublin Core metadata fields for dc:creator and dc:contributor do not distinguish roles of specific parties (such as author, editor, and illustrator), we will follow the Open eBook specification [Gro99] and use an optional role attribute for this purpose, which is adapted for OMDoc from the MARC relator code list [MR03].

aut (author) Use for a person or corporate body chiefly responsible for the intellectual content of an element. This term may also be used when more than one person or body bears such responsibility.

ant (bibliographic/scientific antecedent) Use for the author responsible for a work upon which the element is based.

- clb (collaborator) Use for a person or corporate body that takes a limited part in the elaboration of a work of another author or that brings complements (e.g., appendices, notes) to the work of another author.
- edt (editor) Use for a person who prepares a document not primarily his/her own for publication, such as by elucidating text, adding introductory or other critical matter, or technically directing an editorial staff.
- ths (thesis advisor) Use for the person under whose supervision a degree candidate develops and presents a thesis, memoir, or text of a dissertation.
- trc (transcriber) Use for a person who prepares a handwritten or typewritten copy from original material, including from dictated or orally recorded material. This is also the role (on the dc:creator element) for someone who prepares the OMDoc version of some mathematical content.
- trl (translator) Use for a person who renders a text from one language into another, or from an older form of a language into the modern form. The target language can be specified by dc:lang.

As OMDoc documents are often used to formalize existing mathematical texts for use in mechanized reasoning and computation systems, it is sometimes subtle to specify authorship. We will discuss some typical examples to give a guiding intuition. Listing 2 shows metadata for a situation where editor R gives the sources (e.g. in \LaTeX) of an element written by author A to secretary S for conversion into OMDoc format.

Listing 2: A Document with Editor (edt) and Transcriber (trc)

```
< metadata > \\ < dc:title > The Joy of Jordan <math>C^* Triples</dc:title>  < dc:creator role = "aut" > A < /dc:creator> \\ < dc:contributor role = "edt" > R < /dc:contributor> \\ < dc:contributor role = "trc" > S < /dc:contributor> < /metadata>
```

In Listing 3 researcher R formalizes the theory of natural numbers following the standard textbook B (written by author A). In this case we recommend the first declaration for the whole document and the second one for specific math elements, e.g. a definition inspired by or adapted from one in book B.

Listing 3: A Formalization with Scientific Antecedent (ant)

ENP:15

1.7 Managing Rights by Creative Commons Licenses

The Dublin Core vocabulary provides the dc:rights element for information about rights held in and over the document or element content, but leaves the content model unspecified. While it

is legally sufficient to describe this information in natural language, a content markup format like OMDoC should support a machine-understandable format. As one of the purposes of the OMDoC format is to support the sharing and re-use of mathematical content, OMDoC provides markup for rights management via the Creative Commons (CC) licenses. Digital rights management (DRM) and licensing of intellectual property has become a hotly debated topic in the last years. We feel that the Creative Commons licenses that encourage sharing of content and enhance the (scientific) public domain while giving authors some control over their intellectual property establish a good middle ground. Specifying rights is important, since in the absence of an explicit or implicit (via inheritance) dc:rights element no assumptions can be made about the status of the document or fragment. Therefore OMDoC adds another child to the metadata element.

This cc:license element is a symbolic representation of the Creative Commons legal framework, adapted to the OMDoc setting: The Creative Commons Metadata Initiative specifies various ways of embedding CC metadata into documents and electronic artefacts like pictures or MP3 recordings. As OMDoc is a source format, from which various presentation formats are generated, we need a content representation of the CC metadata from which the end-user representations for the respective formats can be generated.

Element	Attributes		Content
	Req. Optional		
cc:license		jurisdiction	permissions, prohibitions, requirements,h:p*
cc:permissions		reproduction,	h:p*
		distribution,	
		derivative_works	
cc:prohibitions		commercial_use	h:p*
cc:requirements		notice,	h:p*
		copyleft,	
		attribution	

Figure 7: The OMDoc Elements for Creative Commons Metadata

Definition 1.16 The Creative Commons Metadata Initiative [CCL] divides the license characteristics in three types: **permissions**, **prohibitions** and **requirements**, which are represented by the three elements, which can occur as children of the **cc:license** element. After these, a a natural language explanation of the license grant in a math text (see Subsection 3.2). The **cc:license** element has two optional arguments:

cc:license

jurisdiction which allows to specify the country in whose jurisdiction the license will be enforced⁶. It's value is one of the top-level domain codes of the "Internet Assigned Names Authority (IANA)" [TLD]. If this attribute is absent, then the original US version of the license is assumed.

version which allows to specify the version of the license. If the attribute is not present, then the newest released version is assumed (version 2.0 at the time of writing this book)

The following three elements can occur as children of the cc:license element; their attribute specify the rights bestowed on the user by the license. All these elements have the namespace http://creativecommons.org/ns, for which we traditionally use the namespace prefix cc:. All three elements can contain a natural language explanation of their particular contribution to the license grant in a sequence of h:p elements.

Definition 1.17 (Permissions) cc:permissions are the rights granted by the license, to model them the element has three attributes, which can have the values permitted (the permission is granted by the license) and prohibited (the permission isn't):

cc:permissions

⁶The Creative Commons Initiative is currently in the process of adapting their licenses to jurisdictions other than the USA, where the licenses originated. See [CCW] for details and to check for progress.

Attribute	Permission	Default
reproduction	the work may be reproduced	permitted
distribution	the work may be distributed, publicly displayed,	permitted
	and publicly performed	
derivative_works	derivative works may be created and reproduced	permitted

Definition 1.18 (Prohibitions) cc:prohibitions are the things the license prohibits.

Attribute	Prohibition	Default
commercial_use	stating that rights may be exercised for commer-	permitted
	cial nurnoses	

Definition 1.19 (Requirements) cc:requirements are restrictions imposed by the license.

Attribute	Requirement	Default
notice	copyright and license notices must be kept intact	required
attribution	credit must be given to copyright holder and/or au-	required
	thor	
copyleft	derivative works, if authorized, must be licensed un-	required
	der the same terms as the work	

This vocabulary is directly modeled after the Creative Commons Metadata [CCM] which defines the meaning, and provides an RDF [LS99] based implementation. As we have discussed in Subsection 5.1, OMDoc follows an approach that specifies metadata in the document itself; thus we have provided the elements described here. In contrast to many other situations in OMDoc, the rights model is not extensible, since only the current model is backed by legal licenses provided by the creative commons initiative.

Listing 4 specifies a license grant using the Creative Commons "share-alike" license: The copyright is retained by the author, who licenses the content to the world, allowing others to reproduce and distribute it without restrictions as long as the copyright notice is kept intact. Furthermore, it allows others to create derivative works based on the content as long as it attributes the original work of the author and licenses the derived work under the identical license (i.e. the Creative Commons "share-alike" as well).

Listing 4: A Creative Commons License

cc:prohibitions

cc:requirements

2 Mathematical Objects (Module MOBJ)

A distinguishing feature of mathematics is its ability to represent and manipulate ideas and objects in symbolic form as mathematical formulae. OMDoc uses the OpenMath and Mathml formats to represent mathematical formulae and objects. Therefore, the OpenMath standard [Bus+04] and the Mathml 3 recommendation [Aus+03] are part of this specification. OpenMath and Mathml 3 are well-aligned: the Content-Mathml sublanguage directly encodes OpenMath objects. Mathml additionally has a sublanguage for expressing the layout of formulae: Presentation-Mathml, which can be mixed with Content-Mathml; therefore we prefer Mathml syntax for OMDoc and will use it throughout this specification. But we stress that OpenMath syntax is supported in OMDoc as well.

We will review OPENMATH objects in Subsubsection 2.1.0 and Content-MATHML in Subsubsection 2.1.1, and specify an OMDoc element for entering mathematical formulae (element legacy) in Subsection 2.5. ¹⁷

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2.1 Content Representation of Mathematical Objects

We will now recapitulate the representational core of OPENMATH and Content-MATHML. Both represent mathematical objects as expressions made up from

- 1. **symbols** which reference previously declared mathematical objects, these are identified by referencing a content dictionary (see Definition 2.1).
- 2. applications of function or relation operators to a sequence of arguments
- 3. binding structures that represent functional objects with the help of bound variables.
- 4. **identifiers** for objects that are known locally (usually bound variables).

In Figure 10 we have put the OPENMATH and strict Content-MATHMLencodings of the law of commutativity for the real numbers side by side to show the similarities and differences. There is an obvious line-by-line similarity for the tree constructors and token elements. The main difference is the treatment of annotation, which we will describe in 'Subsection 2.1.

Definition 2.1 A **content dictionary** (**CD**) is a machine-readable document that defines the meaning of mathematical concepts expressed by OPENMATH/MATHML symbols.

The OPENMATH 2 standard provides a minimal data model and XML encoding for content dictionaries. We will not review the OPENMATH content dictionary format there, since OMDoc theories fill that role in the OMDoc universe – see Subsubsection 4.1.1 for details.

The central idea is that symbols are identified by a triple:

- 1. the URI of the file containing the CD (called the **content dictionary base**),
- 2. the the name of the CD, called the **content dictionary name**, and
- 3. the local name in the CD, called the **symbol name**.

2.1.1 The Representational Core of OpenMath

OPENMATH is a markup language for mathematical formulae that concentrates on the meaning of formulae building on an extremely simple kernel (markup primitive for syntactical forms of content formulae), and adds an extension mechanism for mathematical concepts, the content dictionaries.

We will only review the XML encoding of OPENMATH objects here, since it is most relevant to the OMDoc format. All elements of the XML encoding live in the namespace http://www.openmath.org/OpenMath, for which we traditionally use the namespace prefix om:.

Definition 2.2 The **om:OMA** element contains representations of the function and its argument in "prefix-" or "Polish notation", i.e. the first child is the representation of the function and all the subsequent ones are representations of the arguments in order.

om:OMA

Element	Attributes		Content
	Required	Optional	
om:OMS	cd, name	id, cdbase, class, style	EMPTY
om: OMV	name	id, class, style	EMPTY
om:OMA		id, cdbase, class, style	⟨⟨OMel⟩⟩*
om:OMBIND		id, cdbase, class, style	$\langle\!\langle OMel \rangle\!\rangle$,OMBVAR, $\langle\!\langle OMel \rangle\!\rangle$
om:OMBVAR		id, class, style	(OMV OMATTR)+
om:OMFOREIGN		id, cdbase, class, style	ANY
om:OMATTR		id, cdbase, class, style	((OMel))
om:OMATP		id, cdbase, class, style	(OMS, ($\langle\!\langle OMel \rangle\!\rangle$ OMFOREIGN))+
om:OMI		id, class, style	[0-9]*
om:OMB		id, class, style	#PCDATA
om:OMF		id, class, style, dec, hex	#PCDATA
om:OME		id, class, style	$\langle\!\langle OMel \rangle\!\rangle$?
om:OMR	href		$\langle\!\langle OMel \rangle\!\rangle$?
where $\langle\!\langle OMel \rangle\! angle$ is (OMS OMV OMI OMB OMSTR OMF OMA OMBIND OME OMATTR)			

Figure 8: OPENMATH Objects in OMDoc

Definition 2.3 Objects and concepts that carry meaning independent of the local context (they are called **symbols**) in OPENMATH) are represented as **om:OMS** elements, where the value of the name attribute gives the name of the symbol. The cd attribute specifies the relevant content dictionary, the optional cdbase on an om:OMS element contains a URI that can be used to disambiguate the content dictionary. Alternatively, the cdbase attribute can be given on an OPENMATH element that is a parent to the om:OMS in question: The om:OMS inherits the cdbase of the nearest ancestor (inducing the usual XML scoping rules for declarations).

om:OMS

Definition 2.4 Variables are represented as **om:OMV** element. As variables do not carry a meaning independent of their local content, **om:OMV** only carries a **name** attribute (see ?spec@semvar? for further discussion).

om:OMV

Example 2.5 The formula sin(x) would be modeled as an application of the sin function (which in turn is represented as an OPENMATH symbol) to a variable:

```
<OMA xmlns="http://www.openmath.org/OpenMath"
    cdbase="http://www.openmath.org/cd">
    <OMS cd="transc1" name="sin"/>
    <OMV name="x"/>
    </OMA>
```

In our case, the function sin is represented as an om:OMS element with name sin from the content dictionary transc1. The om:OMS inherits the cdbase-value http://www.openmath.org/cd, which shows that it comes from the OPENMATH standard collection of content dictionaries from the om:OMA element above. The variable x is represented in an om:OMV element with name-value x.

Example 2.6 For the om: OMBIND element consider the following representation of the formula $\forall x.\sin(x) \leq \pi$.

```
<OMBIND xmlns="http://www.openmath.org/cd">
<OMS cd="quant1" name="forall"/>
<OMBVAR><OMV name="x"/></OMBVAR>
<OMA>
<OMS cd="arith1" name="leq"/>
<OMA><OMS cd="transc1" name="sin"/><OMV name="x"/></OMA>
<OMS cd="nums1" name="pi"/>
</OMA></OMBND>
```

Definition 2.7 The om:OMBIND element has exactly three children, the first one is a "binding

om:OMBIND

¹⁷Ednote: discuss MathML3 and the relation between MathML and OpenMath and what that means for OMDoc ⁷Note that while the cdbase inheritance mechanism described here remains in effect for OpenMath objects embedded in to the OMDoc format, it is augmented by one in OMDoc. As a consequence, OpenMath objects in OMDoc documents will usually not contain cdbase attributes; see Subsubsection 4.1.1 for a discussion.

operator"⁸ — in this case the universal quantifier, the second one is a list of bound variables that must be encapsulated in an **om:OMBVAR** element, and the third is the body of the binding object, in which the bound variables can be used. OpenMath uses the om:OMBIND element to unambiguously specify the scope of bound variables in expressions: the bound variables in the om:OMBVAR element can be used only inside the mother om:OMBIND element, moreover they can be systematically renamed without changing the meaning of the binding expression. As a consequence, bound variables in the scope of an om:OMBIND are distinct as OpenMath objects from any variables outside it, even if they share a name.

om: OMBVAR

2.1.2 Strict Content MathML

Content-MathMLis a content markup format that represents the abstract structure of formulae in trees of logical sub-expressions much like OpenMath: the MathML 3 recommendation [Aus+10] identifies a sublanguage: strict Content-MathMLthat is isomorphic to OpenMath 2.

Element	Attributes		Content
	Required	Optional	
m:math		id, xlink:href	$\langle\!\langle CMel \rangle\!\rangle +$
m:apply		id, xlink:href	m:bvar?, \(CMel \) *
m:csymbol	definitionURL	id, xlink:href	EMPTY
m:ci		id, xlink:href	#PCDATA
m:cn		id, xlink:href	([0-9] , .)(* e([0-9] , .)*)?
m:bvar		id, xlink:href	m:ci m:semantics
m:semantics		id, xlink:href,	$\langle\!\langle CMel \rangle\!\rangle$, (m:annotation
		definitionURL	m:annotation-xml)*
m:annotation		definitionURL,	#PCDATA
		encoding	
m:annotation-xml		definitionURL,	ANY
		encoding	
where $\langle\!\langle CMel \rangle\!\rangle$ is m:apply m:csymbol m:ci m:cn m:semantics			

Figure 9: Content-MATHML in OMDOC

Definition 2.8 The top-level element of MATHML is the **m:math** element it contains an functional expression composed

m:math

m:ci

- 1. identifiers (element m:ci) corresponding to variables. The content of the m:ci element is a unicode string used as the name of the identifier.
- 2. symbols (element m:csymbol) for arbitrary symbols. The content of the m:csymbol element is the name of the symbol, its meaning is dermined by the csymbol attribute that contains a content dictionary name.
- m:csymbol

- 3. applications (elementm:apply)
- 4. binding structures (element m:bind with m:bvars).

m:bind

m:apply

m:bvars

2.2 Annotating Mathematical Objects

OPENMATH offers an element for annotating (parts of) formulae with external information (e.g. MATHML or LATEX presentation):

Definition 2.9 The om:OMATTR element that pairs an OPENMATH object with an attribute-value list. To annotate an OPENMATH object, it is embedded as the second child in an om:OMATTR element. The attribute-value list is specified by children of the preceding om:OMATP (Attribute value Pair) element, which has an even number of children: children at odd positions must be

om:OMATTR

om:OMATP

⁸The binding operator must be a symbol which either has the role binder assigned by the OpenMath content dictionary (see [Bus+04] for details) or the symbol declaration in the OMDoc content dictionary must have the value binder for the attribute role (see Subsubsection 3.4.0).

OPENMATH

```
<OMBIND>
<OMS cd="quant1" name="forall"/>
<OMBVAR>
 <OMATTR>
  <OMATP>
   <OMS cd="sts" name="type"/>
   <OMS cd="setname1" name="R"/>
  </OMATP>
  <OMV name="a"/>
 </OMATTR>
 <OMATTR>
  <OMATP>
   <OMS cd="sts" name="type"/>
   <OMS cd="setname1" name="R"/>
  </OMATP>
  <OMV name="b"/>
 </OMATTR>
</OMBVAR>
 <OMA>
  <OMS cd="relation" name="eq"/>
  <OMA>
<OMS cd="arith1" name="plus"/>
   <OMV name="a"/>
   <OMV name="b"/>
  </OMA>
  <OMA>
   <OMS cd="arith1" name="plus"/>
   <OMV name="b"/>
   <OMV name="a"/>
  </OMA>
</ÓMA>
</OMBIND>
```

MATHML

```
<m:apply>
<m:forall/>
<m:bvar>
 <m:semantics>
  <m:ci>a</m:ci>
  <m:annotation-xml
    definitionURL="http://www.openmath.org/cd/sts#type">
   <m:csymbol cd="setname1">R</m:csymbol>
  </m:annotation-xml>
 </m:semantics>
</m:bvar>
<m:bvar>
 <m:semantics>
  <m:ci>a</m:ci>
  <m:annotation-xml
    definitionURL="http://www.openmath.org/cd/sts#type">
   <m:csymbol cd="setname1">R</m:csymbol>
  </m:annotation-xml>
 </m:semantics>
</m:bvar>
<m:apply>
 <m:csymobl cd="relation1">eq</m:csymbol>
 <m:apply>
  <m:csymbol cd="arith1">plus</m:csymbol>
  <m:ci>a</m:ci>
  <m:ci>b</m:ci>
 </m:apply>
 <m:apply>
  <m:csymbol cd="arith1">plus</m:csymbol>
  <m:ci>b</m:ci>
  <m:ci>a</m:ci>
 </m:apply>
</m:apply>
</m:apply>
```

Figure 10: OpenMath vs. C-MathML for Commutativity

om: OMS (specifying the attribute, they are called **keys** or **features**)⁹, and children at even positions are the **values** of the keys specified by their immediately preceding siblings. In the OPENMATH fragment in Listing 5 the expression $x + \pi$ is annotated with an alternative representation and a color.

A special application of the om:OMATTR element is associating non-OPENMATH objects with OPENMATH objects.

Definition 2.10 For this, OPENMATH2 allows to use an **om:OMFOREIGN** element in the even positions of an om:OMATP. This element can be used to hold arbitrary XML content (in our example above SVG: Scalable Vector Graphics [JFF02]), its required **encoding** attribute specifies the format of the content.

We recommend a MIME type [FB96] (see ?spec@pres-bound? for an application).

Example 2.11 Here we use the om:OMATTR element to associate various other representationsn with an application.

Listing 5: Associating Alternate Representations with an OpenMath Object

```
<OMATTR>
<OMATP>
<OMS cd="alt-rep" name="ascii"/>
```

om:OMFOREIGN

⁹There are two kinds of keys in OpenMath distinguished according to the role value on their symbol declaration in the content dictionary: attribution specifies that this attribute value pair may be ignored by an application, so it should be used for information which does not change the meaning of the attributed OpenMath object. The role is used for keys that modify the meaning of the attributed OpenMath object and thus cannot be ignored by an application.

In Content-MATHML, the same effect can be achieved by the m:semantics element whose first child is the annotated object and subsequent m:annotation and m:annotation-xml and children carry the annotations.

Definition 2.12 The m:semantics element provides a way to annotate Content-MATHML elements with arbitrary information. The first child of the m:semantics element is annotated with the information in the m:annotation-xml (for XML-based information) and m:annotation (for other information) elements that follow it. These elements carry definitionURL attributes that point to a "definition" of the kind of information provided by them. The optional encoding is a string that describes the format of the content.

m:semantics

m:annotation-xml

m:annotation

Example 2.13 To express the content of Example 2.11 in Content-MATHML, we use the m:semantics, m:annotation, and m:annotationxml elements.

Listing 6: Associating Alternate Representations in Content-MATHML

```
<m:semantics>
  <m:apply>
   <m:csymbol cd="arith1">plus</m:csymbol>
   <m:ci>x</m:ci>
    <m:csymbol cd="nums1">pi</m:csymbol>
  <m:annotation definitionURL="http://omdoc.org/cds/alt-rep#ascii">
  </m:annotation>
  <m:annotation_xml definitionURL="http://omdoc.org/cds/alt-rep#svg"</pre>
    encoding="application/svg+xml">
   <svg xmlns='http://www.w3.org/2000/svg'>...</svg>
  </m:annotation-xml>
  m:annotation—xml definitionURL="http://omdoc.org/cds/pres#color"
    encoding="application/openmath+xml">
  <OMS cd="pres" name="red"/>
  </m:annotation-xml>
</m:semantics>
```

2.3 Parallel Markup

The idea of parallel markup has been pioneered in the MathML language [Aus+10]. For parallel markup of a formula, MathML combines the presentation and content trees in a single XML tree and marks up corresponding subtrees by cross-references. Parallel markup supports two workflows:

- 1. formalization: the annotation of presentation formulae with (multiple) formalizations and
- 2. presentation: the annotation of content formulae with (multiple) presentations.

Let us look at an well-known example: The (presentation) formula f(a+b) can be interpreted in two ways: as the application of the function f to the sum a+b or as the product of a scalar f with the sum a+b. Consequently, we can annotate the presentation tree of f(a+b) with two content trees to arrive at the situation depicted in Figure 11. In MathML, parallel markup is implemented by the semantics element, which has the central element as the first child and the annotations in subsequent annotation—xml children. We will disregard this technical level here and concentrate on the concepts here.

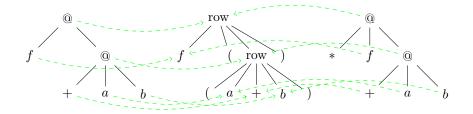


Figure 11: A presentation tree (center) with content annotations

Conversely for the presentation workflow, the product of f with a+b can be presented as f(a+b) (as above) but also with $f \cdot (a+b)$, so that we arrive in the situation in Figure 12. In both situations, there is a central tree annotated with further representations in the respective other language. Which of the situations is used depends on the context. In the content commons we would expect to see content trees annotated with presentations (as in Figure 12) and in the document commons the other way around (as in Figure 11). Note also that the direction of the arrows is always from the (possibly multiple) annotations into the center.

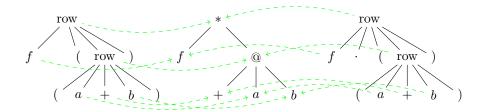


Figure 12: A content tree (center) with presentation annotations

2.4 Mixing Formal and Informal Markup in Objects

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Example 2.14 The formula $\{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid | x \text{ is prime and } x > 2\}$ can be represented as

```
<m:bind>
     <m:apply>
      <m:csymbol cd="sets">setst</m:csymbol>
      <m:csymbol cd="numbersets">N</m:csymbol>
     </m:apply>
     <m:bvars><m:ci>x<m:ci></m:bvars>
     <m:semantics>
      <m:apply id="a">
       <m:ci id="ip">ipa</m:ci>
<m:ci id="x1">x<m:ci>
10
       <m:apply id="xgt2">
        <m:csymbol cd="relation1" id="gt">greater</m:csymbol>
        <m:ci id="x2">x<m:ci>
        <m:cn id="n3">2</m:cn>
15
       </m:apply>
      </m:apply>
      <m:annotation-xml encoding="pMathML">
       <m:mrow xref="#a">
        <m:mi xref="#x1">x</m:mi>
        <m:mtext xref="#ip">is prime and</m:mtext>
20
        <m:mrow xref="#xgt3">
         <m:mi xref="#x2">x</m:mi>
         <m:mo xref="gt">\&gt;</m:mo>
         <m:mn xref="n2">2</m:mn>
25
        </m:mrow>
       </m:mrow>
```

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```
</m:annotation—xml>
<m:semantics>
</m:bind>
```

We use content markup for the set construct and then use parallel markup for its body: x is prime. The content part is partially opaque to Content-MathML¹⁹, so we represent its as an application of an unspecified predicate $_{ipa}$ applied to the content-regognizable parts x and x>2. On the presentation side, we have the obvious markup, which cross-references into the content for parallel markup. Note that we are not assuming any fancy natural language processing here, which might have spotted the fact that we have a conjunction of two atomic requirements "x is prime" and "x>2, which would have led to a more strutured Content-MathMLexpression. Instead the cross-references are established in a bottom-up manner; referencing corresponding sub-expressions and defaulting to the unspecified predicate $_{ipa}$ in doubt.

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2.5 Programming Extensions of for Mathematical Objects

Definition 2.15 For representing objects in computer algebra systems OPENMATH also provides other basic data types: **om:OMI** for integers, **om:OMB** for byte arrays, **om:OMSTR** for strings, and **om:OMF** for floating point numbers. These do not play a large role in the context of OMDOC, so we refer the reader to the OPENMATH standard [Bus+04] for details.

om:OMI

om:OMSTR

 $\mathtt{om:OMF}$

m:cn

om:OME

Definition 2.16 Content-MATHMLuses the **m:cn** element for number expressions. The attribute type can be used to specify the mathematical type of the number, e.g. complex, real, or integer. The content of the m:cn element is interpreted as the value of the number expression.

Definition 2.17 The **om:OME** element is used for in-place error markup in OpenMath objects, it can be used almost everywhere in OpenMath elements. It has two children; the first one is an error operator¹⁰, i.e. an OpenMath symbol that specifies the kind of error, and the second one is the faulty OpenMath object fragment. Note that since the whole object must be a valid OpenMath object, the second child must be a well-formed OpenMath object fragment.

As a consequence, the om: OME element can only be used for "semantic errors" like non-existing content dictionaries, out-of-bounds errors, etc. XML-well-formedness and DTD-validity errors will have to be handled by the XML tools involved. In the following example, we have marked up two errors in a faulty representation of $\sin(\pi)$. The outer error flags an arity violation (the function sin only allows one argument), and the inner one flags the typo in the representation of the constant π (we used the name po instead of pi).

```
<OME>
<OMS cd="type-error" name="arity-violation"/>
<OMA>
<OMS cd="transc1" name="sin"/>
<OME>
<OMS cd="error" name="unexpected_symbol"/>
<OMS cd="nums1" name="po"/>
</OME>
<OMV name="x"/>
</OMA>
</OME>
```

As we can see in this example, errors can be nested to encode multiple faults found by an OPEN-MATH application.

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¹⁰An error operator is like a binding operator, only the symbol has role error.

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2.6 Legacy Representation for Migration

²¹ Sometimes, OMDoc is used as a migration format from legacy texts (see [Koh09a, Part I] for an example). In such documents it can be too much effort to convert all mathematical objects and formulae into OPENMATH or Content-MATHML form.

Element	Attributes		Content
	Required	Optional	
legacy	format	xml:id, formalism	#PCDATA

Figure 13: Mathematical Objects in OMDoc

Definition 2.18 For this situation OMDoc provides the **legacy** element, which can contain arbitrary math markup¹¹. The **legacy** element can occur wherever an OPENMATH object or Content-MATHML expression can and has an optional xml:id attribute for identification. The content is described by a pair of attributes:

legacy

- format (required) specifies the format of the content using URI reference. OMDoc does not restrict the possible values, possible values include TeX, pmml, html, and qmath.
- formalism is optional and describes the formalism (if applicable) the content is expressed
 in. Again, the value is unrestricted character data to allow a URI reference to a definition
 of a formalism.

For instance in the following legacy element, the identity function is encoded in the untyped λ -calculus, which is characterized by a reference to the relevant Wikipedia article.

```
\label{lem:calculus} $$ \end{align*} $$ \end
```

2.7 Notation and Presentation (Module PRES)

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As we have seen, OMDoc is concerned mainly with the content and structure of mathematical documents, and offers a complex infrastructure for dealing with that. However, mathematical texts often carry typographic conventions that cannot be determined by general principles alone. Moreover, non-standard presentations of fragments of mathematical texts sometimes carry meanings that do not correspond to the mathematical content or structure proper. In order to accommodate this, OMDoc provides a limited functionality for embedding style information into the document.

Element	Attributes		Content
	Required	Optional	
omstyle	element	for, xml:id, xref, class, style	(style xslt)*

Figure 14: The OMDoc Elements for Notation Information

The normal (but of course not the only) way to generate presentation from XML documents is to use XSLT style sheets (see for other applications). XSLT [Cla99b] is a general transformation language for XML. XSLT programs (often called style sheet s) consist of a set of templates

 $^{^{21}\}mathrm{EdNote}$ we should fold in the MMT literals here. Maybe all legacy is is literals in some way. Maybe also we can use om:OMFOREIGN and m:mtext

 $^{^{11}}$ If the content is an XML-based, format like Scalable Vector Graphics [JFF02], the DTD must be augmented accordingly for validation.

 $^{^{22}{}m OLD}$ PART: All the material in this chapter is obsolete and will be replaced by the new notation definition system presented in [KMR08]

(rules for the transformation of certain nodes in the XML tree). These templates are recursively applied to the input tree to produce the desired output.

The general approach to presentation and notation in OMDoc is not to provide generalpurpose presentational primitives that can be sprinkled over the document, since that would distract the author from the mathematical content, but to support the specification of general style information for OMDoc elements and mathematical symbols in separate elements.

In the case of a single OMDoc document it is possible to write a specialized style sheet that transforms the content-oriented markup used in the document into mathematical notation. However, if we have to deal with a large collection of OMDoc representations, then we can either write a specialized style sheet for each document (this is clearly infeasible to do by hand), or we can develop a style sheet for the whole collection (such style sheets tend to get large and unmanageable).

The OMDoc format allows to generate specialized style sheets that are tailored to the presentation of (collections of) OMDoc documents. The mechanism will be discussed in , here we only concern ourselves with the OMDoc primitives for representing the necessary data. In the next section, we will address the specification of style information for OMDoc elements by omstyle elements, and then the question of the specification of notation for mathematical symbols in presentation elements.

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2.7.1 Defining Notations

We propose to encode the presentational characteristics of mathematical objects declaratively in notation definitions ²³, which are part of the representational infrastructure and consist of "prototypes" ²⁴ (patterns that are matched against content representations) and "renderings" (that are used to construct the corresponding presentations). Note that since we have reified the notations, we can now devise a flexible management process for notations. For example, we can capture the notation preferences of authors, aggregators, and readers and adapt documents to these. We propose an elaborated mechanism to collect notations from various sources and specify notation preferences below.

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Syntax of Notation Definitions We will now present an abstract version of the presentation starting from the observation that in content markup formalisms for mathematics formulae are represented as "formula trees". Concretely, we will concentrate on OpenMath objects, the conceptual data model of OpenMath representations, since it is sufficiently general, and work is currently under way to unify the semantics of MathML with the one of OpenMath. Furthermore, we observe that the target of the presentation process is also a tree expression: a layout tree made of layout primitives and glyphs, e.g., a presentation MathML or IATEX expression. ²⁵

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To specify notation definitions, we use the one given by the abstract grammar from Figure 1. Here $|, [-], -^*$, and $-^+$ denote alternative, bracketing, and non-empty and possibly empty repetition, respectively. The non-terminal symbol ω is used for patterns ϕ that do not contain jokers. Throughout this article, we will use the non-terminal symbols of the grammar as meta-variables for objects of the respective syntactic class.

 $^{^{23}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: TODO: change "notation specification" to "notation definition" in the whole paper

 $^{^{24}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: This is the only occurrence of the term "prototype" in the theoretical part. This doesn't match our implementation well. I'd use the term "prototype" more often. ... we use two terms ("pattern" and "prototype"). Using two terms might confuse the reviewers/readers. –CL

FR: I think "prototype" is the wrong word anyway and should be replaced with, e.g., "pattern" everywhere. I think it's OK for the paper though.

CM: I agree with Florian (for the first submission)

 $^{^{25}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: @FR: We should not mention LATEX if our implementations don't support it. -CL; but we can support in in theory, can't we? Isn't it rather a question of input data? -CM

See JOMDoc mailing list –CL FR: JOMDoc is supposed to support it; the theory does. Anyway I need an ASCII based language to give readable examples.

Notation declarations	ntn	::=	$\phi^+ \vdash [(\lambda \colon \rho)^p]^+$
Patterns	ϕ	::=	
Symbols			$\sigma(n,n,n)$
Variables			v(n)
Applications			$@(\phi[,\phi]^+)$
Binders			$eta(\phi,\Upsilon,\phi)$
Attributions			$\alpha(\phi, \sigma(n, n, n) \mapsto \phi)$
Symbol/Variable/Object/I	list jokers		$\underline{s} \mid \underline{v} \mid \underline{o}[\phi] \mid \underline{o} \mid \underline{l}(\phi)$
Variable contexts	Υ	::=	ϕ^+
Match contexts	M	::=	$[q \mapsto X]^*$
Matches	X	::=	$\omega^* S^* (X)$
Empty match contexts	μ	::=	$[q \mapsto H]^*$
Holes	H	::=	"" (H)
Context annotation	λ	::=	C^*
Renderings	ρ	::=	
XML elements			$\langle S \rangle \rho^* \langle / \rangle$
XML attributes			$S = "\rho^*"$
Texts			S
Symbol or variable names			q
Matched objects			\overline{q}^p
Matched lists			$\begin{array}{c} \underline{q} \\ \underline{q}^p \\ \mathtt{for}(\underline{q}, I, \rho^*) \{\rho^*\} \\ -\infty \overline{I} \infty \end{array}$
Precedences	p	::=	$-\infty \overline{I} \infty$
Names	n,s,v,l,o	::=	C^+
Integers	I	::=	integer
Qualified joker names	q	::=	l/q s v o l
Strings	S	::=	C^*
Characters	C	::=	character except /

Table 1: The Grammar for Notation Definitions

Intuitions The intuitive meaning of a notation definition $ntn = \phi_1, \ldots, \phi_r \vdash (\lambda_1 : \rho_1)^{p_1}, \ldots, (\lambda_s : \rho_s)^{p_s}$ is the following: If an object matches one of the patterns ϕ_i , it is rendered by one of the renderings ρ_i . Which rendering is chosen, depends on the active rendering context, which is matched against the context annotations λ_i ; context annotations are usually lists of key-value pairs and their precise syntax is given in Section ??. The integer values p_i give the output precedences of the renderings, which are used to dynamically determine the placement of brackets.

The patterns ϕ_i are formed from a formal grammar for a subset of OPENMATH objects extended with named jokers. The jokers $\underline{o}[\phi]$ and $\underline{l}(\phi)$ correspond to $\backslash(\phi\backslash)$ (or $\backslash(.\backslash)$ if ϕ is omitted) and $\backslash(\phi\backslash)^+$ in Posix regular expression syntax ([PO8888]) – except that our patterns are matched against the list of children of an OPENMATH object instead of against a list of characters. Here underlined variables denote names of jokers that can be referred to in the renderings ρ_i . We need two special jokers \underline{s} and \underline{v} , which only match OPENMATH symbols and variables, respectively. The renderings ρ_i are formed by a formal syntax for simplified XML extended with means to refer to the jokers used in the patterns. When referring to object jokers, input precedences are given that work together with the output precedences of renderings. ²⁶

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Match contexts are used to store the result of matching a pattern against an object. Due to list jokers, jokers may be nested; therefore, we use qualified joker names in the match contexts (which are transparent to the user). Empty match contexts are used to store the structure of a

 $^{^{26}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: Note, we realized that the JOMDoc implementation is not compatible with this specification of jokers. It only supports a generic "object" joker, as well as a list joker. –CL FR: Yes. In my opinion JOMDoc should be changed. Alternatively, if someone's willing to change the specification in this article, they're welcome. CM@FR: Please open a discussion on this in the trac, for the article, we should leave it as given.

match context induced by a pattern: They contain holes that are filled by matching the pattern against an object.

Example We will use a multiple integral as an example that shows all aspects of our approach in action.

$$\int_{a_1}^{b_1} \dots \int_{a_n}^{b_n} \sin x_1 + x_2 \ dx_n \dots dx_1.$$

Let int, iv, lam, plus, and sin abbreviate symbols for integration, closed real intervals, lambda abstraction, addition, and sine. We intend int, lam, and plus to be flexary symbols, i. e., symbols that take an arbitrary finite number of arguments. Furthermore, we assume symbols color and red from a content dictionary for style attributions. We want to render into IATEX the OPENMATH object

$$@(int, @(iv, a_1, b_1), \dots, @(iv, a_n, b_n), \\ \beta(lam, v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n), \alpha(@(plus, @(sin, v(x_1)), v(x_2)), color \mapsto red)))$$

as $\inf_{a_1}^{b_1}...\inf_{a_n}^{b_n} \operatorname{color}_{red}_{\sin x_1+x_2} dx_n...dx_1$ We can do that with the following notations:

The first notation matches the application of the symbol int to a list of ranges and a lambda abstraction binding a list of variables. The rendering iterates first over the ranges, rendering them as integral signs with bounds, then recurses into the function body $\underline{\mathbf{f}}$, then iterates over the variables, rendering them in reverse order prefixed with d. The second notation is used when $\underline{\mathbf{f}}$ recurses into the presentation of the function body $\alpha(@(plus, @(sin, v(x_1)), v(x_2)), color \mapsto red)$. It matches an attribution of color, which is rendered using the LATEX color package. The third notation is used when $\underline{\mathbf{a}}$ recurses into the attributed object $@(plus, @(sin, v(x_1)), v(x_2))$. It matches any application of plus, and the rendering iterates over all arguments, placing the separator + in between. Finally, sin is rendered in a straightforward way. We omit the notation that renders variables by their name.

The output precedence $-\infty$ of int makes sure that the integral as a whole is never bracketed. And the input precedences ∞ makes sure that the arguments of int are never bracketed. Both are reasonable because the integral notation provides its own fencing symbols, namely \int and d. The output precedences of plus and sin are 10 and 0, which means that sin binds stronger; therefore, the expression $\sin x$ is not bracketed either. However, an inexperienced user may wish to display these brackets. Therefore, our rendering does not completely suppress them. Rather, we annotate them with an "elision level", which is computed as the difference of the two precedences. ²⁷ This information can then be used by active documents (see section ??).

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Well-formed Notations A notation definition $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_r \vdash (\lambda_1 : \rho_1)^{p_1}, \ldots, (\lambda_s : \rho_s)^{p_s}$ is well-formed if all ϕ_i are well-formed patterns that induce the same empty match contexts, and all ρ_i are well-formed renderings with respect to that empty match context.

Every pattern ϕ generates an empty match context $\mu(\phi)$ as follows:

• For an object joker $\varrho[\phi]$ or ϱ occurring in φ but not within a list joker, $\mu(\varphi)$ contains ϱ .

 $^{^{27}}$ EDNOTE: CL@FR: Actually it is not strictly the difference. FR: I made it the difference in section ??

- For a symbol or variable with name n occurring in ϕ but not within a list joker, $\mu(\phi)$ contains $n \mapsto$ "".
- For a list joker $l(\phi')$ occurring in ϕ , $\mu(\phi)$ contains
 - $-l\mapsto ()$, and
 - $-l/n \mapsto (H)$ for every $n \mapsto H$ in $\mu(\phi')$.

In an empty match context, a hole _ is a placeholder for an object, " for a string, (_) for a list of objects, ((_)) for a list of lists of objects, and so on. Thus, symbol, variable, or object joker in ϕ produce a single named hole, and every list joker and every joker within a list joker produces a named list of holes (H). For example, the empty match context induced by the pattern in the notation for int above is

$$\begin{split} & \texttt{ranges} \mapsto (_), \; \texttt{ranges/a} \mapsto (_), \; \texttt{ranges/b} \mapsto (_), \; \texttt{f} \mapsto _, \\ & \texttt{vars} \mapsto (_), \; \texttt{vars/x} \mapsto (```) \end{split}$$

A pattern ϕ is well-formed if it satisfies the following conditions:

- There are no duplicate names in $\mu(\phi)$.
- No jokers occur within object jokers.
- List jokers may not occur as direct children of binders or attributions.
- At most one list joker may occur as a child of the same application, and it may not be the first child.
- At most one list joker may occur in the same variable context.

These restrictions guarantee that matching an OPENMATH object against a pattern is possible in at most one way. In particular, no backtracking is needed in the matching algorithm.

Assume an empty match context μ . We define well-formed renderings with respect to μ as follows:

- $\langle S \rangle \rho_1, \dots, \rho_r \langle / \rangle$ is well-formed if all ρ_i are well-formed.
- $S = "\rho_1, \ldots, \rho_r"$ is well-formed if all ρ_i are well-formed and are of the form S' or \underline{n} . Furthermore, $S = "\rho_1, \ldots, \rho_r"$ may only occur as a child of an XML element rendering.
- \bullet S is well-formed.
- \underline{n} is well-formed if $n \mapsto {}^{\omega}$ is in μ .
- \underline{o}^p is well-formed if $o \mapsto$ is in μ .
- for (l, I, sep) {body} is well-formed if $l \mapsto (_)$ or $l \mapsto (``)$ is in μ , all renderings in sep are well-formed with respect to μ , and all renderings in body are well-formed with respect to μ^l . The step size I and the separator sep are optional, and default to 1 and the empty string, respectively, if omitted.

Here μ^l is the empty match context arising from μ if every $l/q \mapsto (H)$ is replaced with $q \mapsto H$ and every previously existing hole named q is removed. Replacing $l/q \mapsto (H)$ means that jokers occurring within the list joker l are only accessible within a corresponding rendering $for(\underline{l}, I, \rho^*)\{\rho^*\}$. And removing the previously existing holes means that in $@(\underline{o}, \underline{l}(\underline{o}))$, the inner object joker shadows the outer one.

Semantics of Notation Definitions The rendering algorithm has two levels. The high-level takes as input a document Doc, a notation database DB, and a rendering context Λ . ²⁸ The intuition of DB is that it is essentially a set of notation definitions. In practice this set of notation definitions will be large and highly structured; therefore, we assume a database maintaining it. The rendering context Λ is a list of context annotations that the database uses to select notations, e.g., the requested output format and language. The algorithm outputs Doc with OPENMATH objects in it replaced with their rendering. It does so in three steps:

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- 1. In a preprocessing step, Doc is scanned and notation definitions given inside Doc are collected. If Doc imports or includes other documents, these are retrieved and processed recursively. And if Doc references external notation definitions, these are retrieved as well. Together with the notations already present in the database, these notations form the notation context Π .
- 2. In a second preprocessing step, Π is normalized by grouping together renderings of the same patterns. Then for each pattern, the triples $(\lambda : \rho)^p$ pertaining to it are filtered and ordered according to how well λ matches Λ . This process can also scan for and store arbitrary other information in Doc or in DB: For example, Doc can contain what we call notation tags (see Section ??) that explicitly relate an OPENMATH object and a rendering.
- 3. Doc is traversed, and the low-level algorithm is invoked on every OpenMath object found.

The preprocessing steps are described in detail in Sec. ??. In the following, we describe the low-level algorithm.

The low-level algorithm takes as input an OPENMATH object ω and the notation context Π . It returns the rendering of ω . If the low-level algorithm is invoked recursively to render a subobject of ω , it takes an input precedence p, which is used for bracket placement, as an additional argument. It computes its output in two steps.

1. ω is matched against the patterns in the notation definitions in Π until a matching pattern ϕ is found. ²⁹ The notation definition in which ϕ occurs induces a list $(\lambda_1 : \rho_1)^{p_1}, \ldots, (\lambda_n : \rho_n)^{p_n}$ of context-annotations, renderings, and output precedences. The first one of them is chosen unless Π contains a notation tag that selects a different one for ω .

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2. The output is $\rho_j^{M(\phi,\omega)}$, the rendering of ρ_j in context $M(\phi,\omega)$ as defined below. Additionally, if $p_j > p$, the output is enclosed in brackets.

Semantics of Patterns The semantics of patterns is that they are matched against OPENMATH objects. Naturally, every OPENMATH object matches against itself. Symbol, variable, and object jokers match in the obvious way³⁰. A list joker $\underline{l}(\phi)$ matches against a non-empty list of objects all matching ϕ .

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Let ϕ be a pattern and ω a matching OPENMATH object. We define a match context $M(\phi, \omega)$ as follows.

- For a symbol or variable joker with name n that matched against the sub-object ω' of ω , $M(\phi, \omega)$ contains $n \mapsto S$ where S is the name of ω' .
- For an object joker $\underline{o}[\phi']$, $M(\phi, \omega)$ contains $o \mapsto \phi'$.
- For an object joker \underline{o} that matched against the sub-object ω' of ω , $M(\phi, \omega)$ contains $o \mapsto \omega$.

 $^{^{28}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: CL@FR: Is there any intuition behind calling these Λ and $\Pi?$ FR: Upper case lambda is matched against the lower case lambdas. I think the pi is from Christine.

 $^{^{29}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: FR@all: What happens if ω matches two patterns?

CL: Shouldn't be a problem. Then we just take the renderings associated with those two patterns and prioritize among

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- If a list joker $\underline{l}(\phi')$ matched a list $\omega_1, \ldots, \omega_r$, then $M(\phi, \omega)$ contains
 - $-l\mapsto(\omega_1,\ldots,\omega_r)$, and
 - for every l/q in $\mu(\phi)$: $l/q \mapsto (X_1, \dots, X_r)$ where $q \mapsto X_i$ in $M(\phi', \omega_i)$.

We omit the precise definition of what it means for a pattern to match against an object. It is, in principle, well-known from regular expressions. Since no backtracking is needed, the computation of $M(\phi,\omega)$ is straightforward. We denote by M(q), the lookup of the match bound to q in a match context M.

Semantics of Renderings If ϕ matches against ω and the rendering ρ is well formed with respect to $\mu(\phi)$, the intuition of $\rho^{M(\phi,\omega)}$ is that the joker references in ρ are replaced according to $M(\phi,\omega) =: M$. Formally, ρ^M is defined as follows.

The rendering is either a string or a sequence of XML elements. We will use O + O' to denote the concatenation of two outputs O and O'. By that, we mean a concatenation of sequences of XML elements or of strings if O and O' have the same type (string or XML). Otherwise, O + O' is a sequence of XML elements treating a string as an XML text node. This operation is associative since consecutive text nodes can always be merged.

- $\langle S \rangle \rho_1 \dots \rho_r \langle / \rangle$ is rendered as an XML element with name S. The attributes are those ρ_i^M that are rendered as attributes. The children are the concatenation of the remaining ρ_i^M preserving their order.
- $S = "\rho_1 \dots \rho_r"$ is rendered as an attribute with label S and value $\rho_1^M + \dots + \rho_n^M$ (which has type text due to the well-formedness).
- S is rendered as the text S.
- \underline{s} and \underline{v} are rendered as the text M(s) or M(v), respectively.
- ϱ^p is rendered by applying the rendering algorithm recursively to M(o) and p.
- $for(\underline{l}, I, \rho_1 \ldots \rho_r) \{ \rho'_1 \ldots \rho'_s \}$ is rendered by the following algorithm:
 - 1. Let $sep := \rho_1^M + \ldots + \rho_r^M$ and t be the length of M(l).
 - 2. For i = 1, ..., t, let $R_i := \rho_1^{\prime} M_i^l + ... + \rho_s^{\prime} M_i^l$.
 - 3. If I=0, return nothing and stop. If I is negative, reverse the list R, and invert the sign of I.
 - 4. Return $R_I + sep + R_{2*I} \dots + sep + R_T$ where T is the greatest multiple of I smaller than or equal to t.

Here the match context M_i^l arises from M as follows

- replace $l \mapsto (X_1 \dots X_t)$ with $l \mapsto X_i$,
- for every $l/q \mapsto (X_1 \dots X_t)$ in M: replace it with $q \mapsto X_i$, and remove a possible previously defined match for q.

Example Consider the example introduced in Section ??. There we have

$$\omega = @(int, @(iv, a_1, b_1), \dots, @(iv, a_n, b_n), \\ \beta(lam, v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n), \alpha(@(plus, @(sin, v(x_1)), v(x_2)), color \mapsto red)))$$

And Π is the given list of notation definitions. Let $\Lambda = (format = latex)$. Matching ω against the patterns in Π succeeds for the first notation definitions and yields the following match context M:

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{ranges} &\mapsto (@(iv, a_1, b_1), \dots, @(iv, a_n, b_n)), \ \operatorname{ranges/a} \mapsto (a_1, \dots, a_n), \\ \operatorname{ranges/b} &\mapsto (b_1, \dots, b_n), \ \operatorname{f} &\mapsto \alpha(@(plus, @(sin, v(x_1)), v(x_2)), color \mapsto red), \\ \operatorname{vars} &\mapsto (v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n)), \ \operatorname{vars/x} \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_n) \end{split}$$

In the second step, a specific rendering is chosen. In our case, there is only one rendering, which matches the required rendering context Λ , namely

$$\rho = \texttt{for}(\texttt{ranges}) \{ \texttt{\ } \texttt{int} _ \{ \ \underline{\mathtt{a}}^\infty \ \} \hat{} \ \underline{\mathtt{f}}^\infty \ \ \texttt{for}(\underline{\mathtt{vars}}, -1) \{ \mathtt{d} \ \underline{\mathtt{x}}^\infty \})^{-\infty}$$

To render ρ in match context M, we have to render the three components and concatenate the results. Only the iterations are interesting. In both iterations, the separator sep is empty; in the second case, the step size I is -1 to render the variables in reverse order.

3 Mathematical Statements (Module ST)

In this chapter we will look at the OMDoc infrastructure to mark up the functional structure of mathematical statements and their interaction with a broader mathematical context.

3.1 Types of Statements in Mathematics

In the last chapter we introduced mathematical statements as special text fragments that state properties of the mathematical objects under discussion and categorized them as definitions, theorems, proofs,.... A set of statements about a related set of objects make up the context that is needed to understand other statements. For instance, to understand a particular theorem about finite groups, we need to understand the definition of a group, its properties, and some basic facts about finite groups first. Thus statements interact with context in two ways: the context is built up from (clusters of) statements, and statements only make sense with reference to a context. Of course this dual interaction of statements with $context^{12}$ applies to any text and to communication in general. In mathematics, where the problem is aggravated by the load of notation and the need for precision for the communicated concepts and objects, contexts are often discussed under the label of mathematical theories. We will distinguish two classes of statements with respect to their interaction with theories: We view axioms and definitions as constitutive for a given theory, since changing this information will yield a different theory (with different mathematical properties, see the discussion in). Other mathematical statements like theorems or the proofs that support them are not constitutive, since they only illustrate the mathematical objects in the theory by explicitly stating the properties that are implicitly determined by the constitutive statements.

To support this notion of context OMDoc supports an infrastructure for theories using special theory elements, which we will introduce in Section 3 and extend in Subsection 4.1. Theory-constitutive elements must be contained as children in a theory element; we will discuss them in Subsubsection 3.4.3, non-constitutive statements will be defined in Subsection 3.4. They are allowed to occur outside a theory element in OMDoc documents (e.g. as top-level elements), however, if they do they must reference a theory, which we will call their home theory in a special theory attribute. This situates them into the context provided by this theory and gives them access to all its knowledge. The home theory of theory-constitutive statements is given by the theory they are contained in.

The division of statements into constitutive and non-constitutive ones and the encapsulation of constitutive elements in theory elements add a certain measure of safety to the knowledge management aspect of OMDoc. Since XML elements cannot straddle document borders, all constitutive parts of a theory must be contained in a single document; no constitutive elements can be added later (by other authors), since this would change the meaning of the theory on which other documents may depend on.

Before we introduce the OMDoc elements for theory-constitutive statements, let us fortify our intuition by considering some mathematical examples. *Axioms* are assertions about (sets of) mathematical objects and concepts that are assumed to be true. There are many forms of axiomatic restrictions of meaning in mathematics. Maybe the best-known are the five Peano Axioms for natural numbers.

The Peano axioms in Figure 15 (implicitly) introduce three symbols: the number 0, the successor function s, and the set $\mathbb N$ of natural numbers. The five axioms in Figure 15 jointly constrain their meaning such that conforming structures exist (the natural numbers we all know and love) any two structures that interpret 0, s, and $\mathbb N$ and satisfy these axioms must be isomorphic. This is an ideal situation — the axioms are neither too lax (they allow too many mathematical structures) or too strict (there are no mathematical structures) — which is difficult to obtain. The latter condition (**inconsistent** theories) is especially unsatisfactory, since any statement is a theorem

¹²In linguistics and the philosophy of language this phenomenon is studied under the heading of "discourse theories", see e.g. [KR93] for a start and references.

- 1. 0 is a natural number.
- 2. The successor s(n) of a natural number n is a natural number.
- 3. 0 is not a successor of any natural number.
- 4. The successor function is one-one (i.e. injective).
- 5. The set $\mathbb N$ of natural numbers contains only elements that can be constructed by axioms 1. and 2.

Figure 15: The Peano Axioms

in such theories. As consistency can easily be lost by adding axioms, mathematicians try to keep axiom systems minimal and only add axioms that are safe.

Sometimes, we can determine that an axiom does not destroy consistency of a theory \mathcal{T} by just looking at its form: for instance, axioms of the form $s = \mathbf{A}$, where s is a symbol that does not occur in \mathcal{T} and \mathbf{A} is a formula containing only symbols from \mathcal{T} will introduce no constraints on the meaning of \mathcal{T} -symbols. The axiom $s = \mathbf{A}$ only constrains the meaning of the new symbol to be a unique object: the one denoted by \mathbf{A} . We speak of a **conservative extension** in this case. So, if \mathcal{T} was a consistent theory, the extension of \mathcal{T} with the symbol s and the axiom $s = \mathbf{A}$ must be one too. Thus axioms that result in conservative extensions can be added safely — i.e. without endangering consistency — to theories.

Generally an axiom \mathcal{A} that results in a conservative extension is called a **definition** and any new symbol it introduces a **definiendum** (usually marked e.g. in boldface font in mathematical texts), and we call **definiens** the material in the definition that determines the meaning of the definiendum.

3.2 Strict Statements: Declarations

Element	Attributes		M	Content
	Required	Optional	D	
object	name, semrole	xml:id, synrole	+	type*,definiendum?
definiendum		xml:id	+	(mobj)
type		xml:id, system, style,	_	h:p*, (mobj)
		class		
where $\langle\!\langle mobj\rangle\!\rangle$ is (OMOBJ m:math legacy)				

Figure 16: Strict OMDoc Elements

3.3 Mathematical Text (Module MTXT)

The everyday mathematical language used in textbooks, conversations, and written onto black-boards all over the world consists of a rigorous, slightly stylized version of natural language interspersed with mathematical formulae, that is sometimes called **mathematical vernacular**¹³.

3.3.1 Mathematical Vernacular

OMDoc models mathematical vernacular as parsed text interspersed with content-carrying elements. Most prominently, the OpenMath objects, Content-Mathmed expressions, and legacy

¹³The term "mathematical vernacular" was first introduced by Nicolaas Govert de Bruijn in the 1970s (see [Bru94] for a discussion). It derives from the word "vernacular" used in the Catholic church to distinguish the language used by laymen from the official Latin.

Element	Attributes		M	Content
	Required	Optional	D	
omtext		<pre>xml:id, type, for, class, style, verbalizes</pre>	+	h:p*
h:p		<pre>xml:id, style, class, index, verbalizes</pre>	+	⟨math vernacular⟩⟩
h:span		type, for, relation, verbalizes	+	⟨math vernacular⟩⟩
term	name	<pre>cd, cdbase, role, xml:id, class, style</pre>	_	⟨math vernacular⟩⟩

Figure 17: The OMDoc Elements for Specifying Mathematical Properties

elements are used for mathematical objects, see Section 1. The text structure is marked up with the inline fragment of XHTML 1.0 [The02].

In Figure 18 we have given an overview over the ones described in this book. The last two modules in Figure 18 are optional (see ?spec@sub-languages?). Other (external or future) OMDoc modules can introduce further elements; natural extensions come when OMDoc is applied to areas outside mathematics, for instance computer science vernacular needs to talk about code fragments (see ?spec@private? and [Koh]), chemistry vernacular about chemical formulae (e.g. represented in Chemical Markup Language [Mur+]).

Module	Elements	Comment	see
XHTML	h:p and inline Elements	extended by MTXT	[The02]
MOBJ	om:OM*, m:*, legacy	mathematical Objects	Section 1
MTXT	h:span, term, note, idx,	phrase-level markup	below
	citation		
DOC	ref, ignore	document structure	Section 4
EXT	omlet	for applets, images,	?spec@eldef.omlet?

Figure 18: OMDoc Modules Contributing to Mathematical Vernacular

As we have explicated above, all mathematical documents state properties of mathematical objects — informally in mathematical vernacular or formally (as logical formulae), or both. OMDoc uses the omtext element to mark up text passages that form conceptual units, e.g. paragraphs, statements, or remarks.

Definition 3.1 omtext elements have an optional xml:id attribute, so that they can be cross-referenced, the intended purpose of the text fragment in the larger document context can be described by the optional attribute type.

3.3.2 Rhetoric/Mathematical Roles of Text Fragments

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This can take e.g. the values abstract, introduction, conclusion, comment, thesis, antithesis, elaboration, motivation, evidence, transition with the obvious meanings. In the last five cases omtext also has the extra attribute for, and in the last one, also an attribute from, since these are in reference to other OMDoc elements. The content of an omtext element is mathematical vernacular contained in a sequence of h:p elements. This can be preceded by a metadata element that can be used to specify authorship, give the passage a title, etc. (see Subsection 1.5).

We have used the type attribute on omtext to classify text fragments by their rhetoric role. This is adequate for much of the generic text that makes up the narrative and explanatory text in a mathematical textbook. But many text fragments in mathematical documents directly state

 $^{^{31}\}mathrm{OLD}$ Part: The rhethorical relations will be completely reworked taking the SALT ontology into account. For the moment we liberalize the RNC schema to allow xsd:anyURI here

properties of mathematical objects (we will call them mathematical statements; see Section 2 for a more elaborated markup infrastructure). These are usually classified as definitions, axioms, etc. Moreover, they are of a form that can (in principle) be formalized up to the level of logical formula; in fact, mathematical vernacular is seen by mathematicians as a more convenient form of communication for mathematical statements that can ultimately be translated into a foundational logical system like axiomatic set theory [Ber91]. For such text fragments, OMDoc reserves the following values for the type attribute:

axiom (fixes or restricts the meaning of certain symbols or concepts.) An axiom is a piece of mathematical knowledge that cannot be derived from anything else we know.

definition (introduces new concepts or symbols.) A definition is an axiom that introduces a new symbol or construct, without restricting the meaning of others.

example (for or against a mathematical property).

proof (a proof), i.e. a rigorous — but maybe informal — argument that a mathematical statement holds.

hypothesis (a local assumption in a proof that will be discharged later) for text fragments that come from (parts of) proofs.

derive (a step in a proof), we will specify the exact meanings of this and the two above in Subsection 3.7 and present more structured counterparts.

For the first four values, omtext also provides the attribute for, as they point to other mathematical aspects such as symbols, assertions, definitions, axioms or alternatives.

Finally, OMDoc also reserves the values theorem, proposition, lemma, corollary, postulate, conjecture, false-conjecture, formula, obligation, assumption, rule and assertion for statements that assert properties of mathematical objects (see Figure 22 in Subsubsection 3.5.0 for explanations). Note that the differences between these values are largely pragmatic or proof-theoretic (conjectures become theorems once there is a proof). Further types of text can be specified by providing a URI that points to a description of the text type (much like the definitionURL attribute on the m:csymbol elements in Content-MATHML).

Of course, the type only allows a rough classification of the mathematical statements at the text level, and does not make the underlying content structure explicit or reveals their contribution and interaction with mathematical context. For that purpose OMDoc supplies a set of specialized elements, which we will discuss in Section 2. Thus omtext elements will be used to give informal accounts of mathematical statements that are better and more fully annotated by the infrastructure introduced in Section 2. However, in narrative documents, we often want to be informal, while maintaining a link to the formal element. For this purpose OMDoc provides the optional verbalizes attribute on the omtext element. Its value is a whitespace-separated list of URI references to formal representations (see Subsection 3.6 for further discussion).

3.3.3 Phrase-Level Markup of Mathematical Vernacular

To make the sentence-internal structure of mathematical vernacular more explicit, OMDoc provides an infrastructure to mark up natural language phrases in sentences. Linguistically, a **phrase** is a group of words that functions as a single unit in the syntax of a sentence. Examples include "noun phrases, verb phrases, or prepositional phrases". In OMDoc we use the h:span element from XHTML a general wrapper for sentence-level phrases that allows to mark their specific properties with special attributes and a metadata child. The term element is naturally restricted to phrases by construction.

Definition 3.2 The **h:span** element has the optional attribute xml:id for referencing the text fragment and the CSS attributes style and class to associate presentation information with it (see the discussion in Subsection 1.3 and ?spec@omstyle?).

h:span

The semantics of the h:span element is defined by mapping to the SALT Rhetorical Ontology [Gro+07] i.e. for example we define a nucleus phrase to be an instance of http://salt.semanticauthoring.org/onto/rhetorical-ontology#nucleus. The type attribute serves a linguistic purpose. A h:span denoting a part of a sentence that plays an important role in the understanding of the entire text or is simply basic information essential to the author's purpose takes the value of a nucleus. A h:span that plays a secondary role in the text, i.e. that serves primarily to further explain or support the nucleus with additional information takes the value of a satellite. The main difference between these two concepts is that a nucleus can be comprehended in a context of a text by iself, while on the other hand a satellite is incomprehensible without its corresponding nucleus phrase. In order to further clarify and annotate this dependence, if a h:span element has a value satellite for the type attribute, it also has the optional attributes for and relation, which are explained below.

The relation attribute gives the type of dependency relation connecting the satellite phrase with its corresponding nucleus phrase. It can take one of the following values: antithesis, circumstance, concession, condition, evidence, means, preparation, purpose, cause, consequence, elaboration, restatement and solutionhood. We go through each of these terms separately to further clarify their role and meaning.

- antithesis is a relation where the author has a positive regard for the nucleus. The nucleus and the satellite are in contrast i.e. both can not be true, and the intention of the author is to increase the reader's positive regard towards the nucleus.
- circumstance is a relation where the situation presented in the satellite is unrealized. It simply provides a framework in the subject matter within which the reader is to interpret the nucleus.
- concession is a relation where the author yet again wants to increase the reader's positive regard for the nucleus. This time, by acknowledging a potential or apparent incompatibility between the nucleus and the satellite.
- condition is a relation in which the satellite represents a hypothetical future, i.e. unrealized situation and the realization of the statement given in the nucleus phrase depends on the realization of the situation described in the satellite phrase.
- evidence is a relation where the author wants to increase the reader's belief in the nucleus by providing the satellite, which is something that the reader believes in or will find credible.
- means is a relation where the satellite represents a method or an instrument which tends to make the realization of the situation presented in the nucleus phrase more likely. For instance: The Gaussian algorithm solves a linear system of equations, by first reducing the given system to a triangular or echelon form using elementary row operations and then using a back substitution to find the solution.
- preparation is a relation where the satellite precedes the nucleus in the text, and tends to make the reader more ready, interested or oriented for reading what is to be stated in the nucleus phrase.
- purpose is a relation where the author wants the reader to recognize that the activity described in the nucleus phrase is initiated in order to realize what is described in the satellite phrase.
- cause is a relation where the author wants the reader to recognize that the satellite is the cause for the action described in the nucleus phrase.
- consequence is a relation where the author wants the reader to recognize that the action described in the nucleus is to have a result or consequences, as described in the satellite phrase.

elaboration is a relation where the satellite phrase provides additional detail for the nucleus. For instance: In elementary number theory, integers are studied without the use of techniques from other mathematical fields. Questions of divisibility, factorization into prime numbers, investigation of perfect numbers, use of the Euclidean algorithm to compute the GCD and congruences belong here.

restatement is a relation where the satellite simply restates what is said in the nucleus phrase. However the nucleus is more central to the authors purposes than the satellite is. For instance: The somewhat older term arithmetic is also used to refer to number theory, but is no longer as popular as it once was..... Number theory used to be called "the higher arithmetic", but this is dropping out of use.

solutionhood is a relation in which the nucleus phrase represents a solution to the problem(s) presented in the satellite phrase.

Listing 7: Phrases and their attribute usage

The for attribute, available when a h:span is denoted to be a satellite, is there to link the h:span to its corresponding nucleus phrase i.e. serves only for referential purposes, holding the value of the URI of the nucleus phrase. Thus having the phrases uniquely identified by the xml:id attribute is highly encouraged due to its great relevance for weaving the semantics of a text at this granularity level.

Furthermore, the h:span element allows the attribute index for parallel multilingual markup: Recall that sibling omtext elements form multilingual groups of text fragments. We can use the h:span element to make the correspondence relation on text fragments more fine-grained: h:span elements in sibling omtexts that have the same index value are considered to be equivalent. Of course, the value of an index has to be unique in the dominating omtext element (but not beyond). Thus the index attributes simplify manipulation of multilingual texts, see Listing 11 for an example at the discourse level.

Finally, the h:span element can carry a verbalizes attribute whose value is a whitespace-separated list of URI references that act as pointers to other OMDoc elements. This has two applications: the first is another kind of parallel markup where we can state that a phrase corresponds to (and thus "verbalizes") a part of formula in a sibling FMP element.³²

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Listing 8: Parallel Markup between Formal and Informal

Another important application of the **verbalizes** is the case of inline mathematical statements, which we will discuss in Subsection 3.6.

 $^{^{32}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: MK: this needs to be done differently, rework this example

3.3.4 Technical Terms

In OMDoc we can give the notion of a **technical term** a very precise meaning: it is a span representing a concept for which a declaration exists in a content dictionary (see Subsubsection 3.4.0). In this respect it is the natural language equivalent for an OPENMATH symbol or a Content-Mathmul token¹⁴. Let us consider an example: We can equivalently say " $0 \in \mathbb{N}$ " and "the number zero is a natural number". The first rendering in a formula, we would cast as the following OPENMATH object:

```
<OMA><OMS cd="set1" name="in"/>
<OMS cd="nat" name="zero"/>
<OMS cd="nat" name="Nats"/>
</OMA>
```

with the effect that the components of the formula are disambiguated by pointing to the respective content dictionaries. Moreover, this information can be used by added-value services e.g. to cross-link the symbol presentations in the formula to their definition (see), or to detect logical dependencies. To allow this for mathematical vernacular as well, we provide the term element: in our example we might use the following markup.

```
...<term cd="nat" name="zero">the number zero</term> is an <term cd="nat" name="Nats">natural number</term>...
```

Definition 3.3 The term element has one required attribute: name and two optional ones: cd and cdbase. Together they determine the meaning of the phrase just like they do for om:OMS elements (see the discussion in Subsubsection 2.1.0 and Subsubsection 4.1.1). The term element also allows the attribute xml:id for identification of the phrase occurrence, the CSS attributes for styling and the optional role attribute that allows to specify the role the respective phrase plays. We reserve the value definiens for the defining occurrence of a phrase in a definition. This will in general mark the exact point to point to when presenting other occurrences of the same 15 phrase. Other attribute values for the role are possible, OMDoc does not fix them at the current time. Consider for instance the following text fragment from Figure ?? in [Koh09a, Part I].

Definition 1. Let E be a set. A mapping of $E \times E$ is called a **law of composition** on E. The value f(x,y) of f for an ordered pair $(x,y) \in E \times E$ is called the **composition** of x and y under this law. A set with a law of composition is called a magma.

Here the first boldface term is the definiens for a "law of composition", the second one for the result of applying this to two arguments. It seems that this is not a totally different concept that is defined here, but is derived systematically from the concept of a "law of composition" defined before. Pending a thorough linguistic investigation we will mark up such occurrences with definiens-applied, for instance in

Listing 9: Marking up the Technical Terms

```
Let E be a set. A mapping of E \times E is called a <term cd="magmas" name="law_of_comp" role="definiendum">law of composition</term> on E. The value f(x,y) of f for an ordered pair (x,y) \in E \times E is called the <term cd="magmas"name="law_of_comp" role="definiendum-applied">composition of</term> x and y under this law.
```

There are probably more such systematic correlations; we leave their categorization and modeling in OMDoc to the future.

3.3.5 Index and Bibliography

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Definition 3.4 (Index Markup) The idx element is used for index markup in OMDoc. It

idx

term

Element	Attri	butes	MD	Content
idx		(xml:id xref)	_	idt?, ide+
ide		index, sort-by, see, seealso, links	-	idp*
idt		style, class	_	《math vernacular》
idp		sort-by, see, seealso, links	_	《math vernacular》
note		type, xml:id, style, class, index, verbalizes	+	⟨math vernacular⟩⟩
citation	ref		text	

Figure 19: Rich Text Format OMDoc

contains an optional **idt** element that contains the index text, i.e. the phrase that is indexed. The remaining content of the index element specifies what is entered into various indexes. For every index this phrase is registered to there is one ide element (index entry); the respective entry is specified by name in its optional index attribute. The ide element contains a sequence of index phrases given in **idp** elements. The content of an **idp** element is regular mathematical text. Since index entries are usually sorted, (and mathematical text is difficult to sort), they carry an attribute sort-by whose value (a sequence of Unicode characters) can be sorted lexically [DW05]. Moreover, each idp and ide element carries the attributes see, seealso, and links, that allow to specify extra information on these. The values of the first ones are references to idx elements, while the value of the links attribute is a whitespace-separated list of (external) URI references. The formatting of the index text is governed by the attributes style and class on the idt element. The idx element can carry either an xml:id attribute (if this is the defining occurrence of the index text) or an xref attribute. In the latter case, all the ide elements from the defining idx (the one that has the xml:id attribute) are imported into the referring idx element (the one that has the xref attribute).

Listing 10: An Example of Rich Text Structure

```
<omtext>
     <h:p style="color:red" xml:id="p1">All <idx><idt>animals are dangerous</idt>
       <idp>dangerous</idp><idp>seealso="creature">animal</idp></idx>!
       (which is a highly <em>unfounded</em> statement).
       In reality only some animals are, for instance: </h:p>
     <h:ul id="l1">
       <h:li>sharks (they bite) and </h:li>
       <h:li>bees (they sting ). </h:li>
     </h:ul>
     <h:p>If we measure danger by the number of deaths, we obtain</h:p>
     <th>Culprits</th> <th>Deaths</th> <th>Action</th> </tr>
       sharks 312 bite 
        bees 23 sting
15
       <td>cars <td>7500 <td>crash
     <h:p>So, if we do the numbers <note xml:id="n1" type="ednote">check the
     numbers again</note> we see that animals are dangerous, but they are
     less so than cars but much more photogenic as we can see
     <h:a href="http://www.yellowpress.com/killerbee.jpg">here</h:a>.</h:p>
     <note type="footnote">From the International Journal of Bee-keeping; numbers only
     available for 2002.</note>
   </omtext>
```

Definition 3.5 (Notes) The **note** element is the closest approximation to a footnote or endnote, where the kind of note is determined by the type attribute. OMDoc supplies footnotenote as a default value, but does not restrict the range of values. Its for attribute allows it to be attached to other OMDoc elements externally where it is not allowed by the OMDoc document type. In our example, we have attached a footnote by reference to a table row, which does not allow note children.

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note

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ide

idp

 $^{^{14}}$ and is subject to the same visibility and scoping conditions as those; see Section 3 for details

 $^{^{15}\}mathrm{We}$ understand this to mean with the same cd and name attributes.

 $^{^{33}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: introduce idx and citation, and also describe makeindex and bibliography in doc!

 $^{^{34}\}mathrm{O_{LD}}$ Part: do we want to support parallel path markup in the future? It has not been used that much. Also, there

All elements in the RT module carry an optional xml:id attribute for identification and an index attribute for parallel multilingual markup (e.g. Subsubsection 3.3.2 for an explanation and Listing 11 for a translation example).

Listing 11: Multilingual Parallel Markup

```
<docalt xml:id="animals.overview">
  <omtext>
   <h:p index="intro">Consider the following animals:</h:p>
   <h:ul index="animals">
     <h:li index="first">a tiger,</h:li>
     <h:li index="second">a dog.</h:li>
   </h:ul>
  </omtext>
  omtext xml:lang="de">
   <h:p index="intro">Betrachte die folgenden Tiere:</h:p>
   <h:ul index="animals">
     <h:li index="first">Ein Tiger</h:li>
     <h:li index="second">Ein Hund</h:li>
   </h:ul>
  </docalt>
```

3.4 Theory-Constitutive Statements in OMDoc

The OMDoc format provides an infrastructure for four kinds of theory-constitutive statements: symbol declarations, type declarations, (proper) axioms, and definitions. We will take a look at all of them now.

Element	Attributes			Content
	Required Optional		С	
symbol	name	<pre>xml:id, role, scope, style, class</pre>	+	type*
axiom	name	<pre>xml:id, for, type, style, class</pre>	+	h:*,FMP*
definition	for	xml:id, type, style, class	+	h:p*, ((mobj))?
where $\langle\!\langle mobj\rangle\!\rangle$ is (OMOBJ m:math legacy)				

Figure 20: Theory-Constitutive Elements in OMDoc

3.4.1 Symbol Declarations

The symbol element declares a symbol for a mathematical concept, such as 1 for the natural number "one", + for addition, = for equality, or group for the property of being a group. Note that we not only use the symbol element for mathematical objects that are usually written with mathematical symbols, but also for any concept or object that has a definition or is restricted in its meaning by axioms.

We will refer to the mathematical object declared by a symbol element as a "symbol", iff it is usually communicated by specialized notation in mathematical practice, and as a "concept" otherwise. The name "symbol" of the symbol element in OMDoc is in accordance with usage in the philosophical literature (see e.g. [NS81]): A symbol is a mental or physical representation of a concept. In particular, a symbol may, but need not be representable by a (set of) glyphs (symbolic notation). The definiendum objects in Figure ?? would be considered as "symbols" while the concept of a "group" in mathematics would be called a "concept".

Definition 3.6 The **symbol** element has a required attribute name whose value uniquely identifies it in a theory. Since the value of this attribute will be used as an OPENMATH symbol name, it

symbol

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is another place where this is explained.

must be an XML name¹⁶ as defined in XML 1.1 [Bra+04]. The optional attribute scope takes the values globalsymbol and local, and allows a simple specification of visibility conditions: if the scope attribute of a symbol has value local, then it is not exported outside the theory; The scope attribute is deprecated, a formalization using the hiding attribute on the imports element should be used instead. Finally, the optional attribute role that can take the values¹⁷

binder The symbol may appear as a binding symbol of an binding object, i.e. as the first child of an om:OMBIND object, or as the first child of an m:apply element that has an m:bvar as a second child.

attribution The symbol may be used as key in an OPENMATH om:OMATTR element, i.e. as the first element of a key-value pair, or in an equivalent context (for example to refer to the value of an attribution). This form of attribution may be ignored by an application, so should be used for information which does not change the meaning of the attributed OPENMATH object.

semantic-attribution This is the same as attribution except that it modifies the meaning of the attributed OPENMATH object and thus cannot be ignored by an application.

error The symbol can only appear as the first child of an OPENMATH error object.

application The symbol may appear as the first child of an application object.

constant The symbol cannot be used to construct a compound object.

type The symbol denotes a sets that is used in a type systems to annotate mathematical objects.

sort The symbol is used for a set that are inductively built up from constructor symbols; see ?spec@adt?.

If the role is not present, the value object is assumed.

The children of the symbol element consist of a multi-system group of type elements (see Subsubsection 3.4.2 for a discussion). For this group the order does not matter. In Listing 12 we have a symbol declaration for the concept of a monoid. Keywords or simple phrases that describes the symbol in mathematical vernacular can be added in the metadata child of symbol as dc:subject and dc:descriptions; the latter have the same content model as the h:p elements, see the discussion in Subsection 3.2). If the document containing their parent symbol element were stored in a data base system, it could be looked up via these metadata. As a consequence the symbol name need only be used for identification. In particular, it need not be mnemonic, though it can be, and it need not be language-dependent, since this can be done by suitable dc:subject elements.

Listing 12: An OMDoc symbol Declaration

¹⁶This limits the characters allowed in a name to a subset of the characters in Unicode 2.0; e.g. the colon : is not allowed. Note that this is not a problem, since the name is just used for identification, and does not necessarily specify how a symbol is presented to the human reader. For that, OMDoc provides the notation definition infrastructure presented in Subsection 2.6.

¹⁷The first six values come from the OpenMath2 standard. They are specified in content dictionaries; therefore OMDoc also supplies them.

3.4.2 Axioms

The relation between the components of a monoid would typically be specified by a set of axioms (e.g. stating that the base set is closed under the operation). For this purpose OMDoc uses the axiom element:

Definition 3.7 The axiom element contains mathematical vernacular as a sequence of h:p elements a FMP that expresses this as a logical formula. axiom elements may have a generated-from attribute, which points to another OMDoc element (e.g. an adt, see ?spec@adt?) which subsumes it, since it is a more succinct representation of the same mathematical content. Finally the axiom element has an optional for attribute to specify salient semantic objects it uses as a whitespace-separated list of URI references to symbols declared in the same theory, see Listing 13 for an example. Finally, the axiom element can have an type attribute, whose values we leave unspecified for the moment.

Listing 13: An OMDoc axiom

3.4.3 Type Declarations

Types (also called sorts in some contexts) are representations of certain simple sets that are treated specially in (human or mechanical) reasoning processes. A **type declaration** e: t makes the information that a symbol or expression e is in a set represented by a type t available to a specified mathematical process. For instance, we might know that 7 is a natural number, or that expressions of the form $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i x^i$ are polynomials, if the a_i are real numbers, and exploit this information in mathematical processes like proving, pattern matching, or while choosing intuitive notations. If a type is declared for an expression that is not a symbol, we will speak of a **term declaration**.

Definition 3.8 OMDoc uses the **type** element for type declarations. The optional attribute system contains a URI reference that identifies the type system which interprets the content. There may be various sources of the set membership information conveyed by a type declaration, to justify it this source may be specified in the optional just-by attribute. The value of this attribute is a URI reference that points to an **assertion** or **axiom** element that asserts $\forall x_1, \ldots, x_n.e \in t$ for a type declaration e: t with variables x_1, \ldots, x_n . If the just-by attribute is not present, then the type declaration is considered to be generated by an implicit axiom, which is considered theory-constitutive¹⁸.

The type element contains one or two mathematical objects. In the first case, it represents a type declaration for a symbol (we call this a **symbol declaration**), which can be specified in the optional for attribute or by embedding the type element into the respective symbol element. A type element with two mathematical objects represents a term declaration e:t, where the first object represents the expression e and the second one the type t (see Listing 16 for an example). There the type declaration of monoid characterizes a monoid as a three-place predicate (taking as arguments the base set, the operation, and a neutral element).

As reasoning processes vary, information pertaining to multiple type systems may be associated with a single symbol and there can be more than one type declaration per expression and type system, this just means that the object has more than one type in the respective type system (not all type systems admit principal types).

axiom

type

¹⁸It is considered good practice to make the axiom explicit in formal contexts, as this allows an extended automation of the knowledge management process.

3.4.4 Definitions

Definitions are a special class axioms that completely fix the meaning of symbols.

Definition 3.9 Therefore **definition** elements that represent definitions carry the required **for** attribute, which contain a whitespace-separated list of names of symbols in the same theory. We call these symbols **defined** and **primitive** otherwise. A **definition** contains mathematical vernacular as a sequence of **h:p** elements to describe the meaning of the defined symbols.

A definition element contains a mathematical object that can be substituted for the symbol specified in the for attribute of the definition. The type is fixed to simple³⁵. Listing 14 gives an example of a simple definition of the number one from the successor function and zero. OMDOC treats the type attribute as an optional attribute. If it is not given explicitly, it defaults to simple.

 ${\tt definition}$

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Listing 14: A Simple OMDoc definition.
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3.5 The Unassuming Rest

The bulk of mathematical knowledge is in form of statements that are not theory-constitutive: statements of properties of mathematical objects that are entailed by the theory-constitutive ones. As such, these statements are logically redundant, they do not add new information about the mathematical objects, but they do make their properties explicit. In practice, the entailment is confirmed e.g. by exhibiting a proof of the assertion; we will introduce the infrastructure for proofs in Subsection 3.7.

Element	Attributes		M	Content
	Required	Optional	D	
assertion		<pre>xml:id, type, theory, class, style, status, just-by</pre>	+	h:p*, FMP*
type	system	<pre>xml:id, for, just-by, theory, class, style</pre>	-	h:p*, «mobj», «mobj»
example	for	<pre>xml:id, type, assertion, theory, class, style</pre>	+	h:p* \(\langle mobj \rangle *
alternative	for, theory, entailed-by, entails, entailed-by-thm, entails-thm	<pre>xml:id, type, theory, class, style</pre>	+	h:p*, (FMP* requation* $\langle\!\langle mobj \rangle\!\rangle$)
where $\langle\!\langle mobj\rangle\!\rangle$ is (OMOBJ m:math legacy)				

Figure 21: Assertions, Examples, and Alternatives in OMDoc

3.5.1 Assertions

Definition 3.10 OMDoc uses the **assertion** element for all statements (proven or not) about mathematical objects (see Listing 15) that are not axiomatic (i.e. constitutive for the meaning of the concepts or symbols involved). Traditional mathematical documents discern various kinds of these: theorems, lemmata, corollaries, conjectures, problems, etc.

assertion

 $^{^{35}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: maybe better leave it out

These all have the same structure (formally, a closed logical formula). Their differences are largely pragmatic (e.g. theorems are normally more important in some theory than lemmata) or proof-theoretic (conjectures become theorems once there is a proof). Therefore, we represent them in the general assertion element and leave the type distinction to a type attribute, which can have the values in Figure 22.

Value	Explanation					
theorem, proposition	an important assertion with a proof					
Note that the meaning of the type (in this case the existence of a proof)						
	is not enforced by OMDoc applications. It can be appropriate to give an					
	massertion, if the author knows of a proof (e.g.					
in the literature), but has	in the literature), but has not formalized it in OMDoc yet.					
lemma	a less important assertion with a proof					
	ce specified in this type is even softer than the					
	ng a mathematical paper as a chapter in a larger					
	ecessary to downgrade a theorem (e.g. the main					
theorem of the paper) and g	give it the status of a lemma in the overall work.					
corollary	a simple consequence					
	marked as a corollary to some other statement,					
_	simple. This is often the case for important					
theorems that are simple to	o get from technical lemmata.					
postulate, conjecture an assertion without proof or counter-example						
	whose semantic value is not yet decided, but					
	s likely to be true. In particular, there is no					
proof or counter-example (see Subsection 3.5).					
false-conjecture	an assertion with a counter-example					
_	A conjecture that has proven to be false, i.e. it has a counter-example.					
Such assertions are often kept for illustration and historical purposes.						
obligation, assumption an assertion on which the proof of another depends						
These kinds of assertions are convenient during the exploration of a math-						
ematical theory. They can be used and proven later (or assumed as an						
axiom).						
formula	if everything else fails					
This type is the catch-all is	f none of the others applies.					

Figure 22: Types of Mathematical Assertions

Definition 3.11 The assertion element also takes an optional xml:id element that allows to reference it in a document, an optional theory attribute to specify the theory that provides the context for this assertion, and an optional attribute generated-from, that points to a higher syntactic construct that generates these assertions, e.g. an abstract data type declaration given by an adt element (see ?spec@adt?).

Listing 15: An OMDoc Assertion About Semigroups

To specify its proof-theoretic status of an assertion assertion carries the two optional attributes status and just-by. The first contains a keyword for the status and the second a

whitespace-separated list of URI references to OMDoc elements that justify this status of the assertion. For the specification of the status we adapt an ontology for deductive states of assertion from [SZS04] (see Figure 23). Note that the states in Figure 23 are not mutually exclusive, but have the inclusions depicted in Figure 24.

status	just-by points to					
tautology	Proof of \mathcal{F}					
All \mathcal{T} -interpretations satisfy	$\mathcal{A} \ and \ some \ \mathcal{C}_i$					
tautologous-conclusion	Proof of \mathcal{F}_c .					
All \mathcal{T} -interpretations satisfy						
equivalent	Proofs of \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}^{-1}					
\mathcal{A} and \mathcal{C} have the same \mathcal{T} -m						
theorem	Proof of \mathcal{F}					
All \mathcal{T} -models of \mathcal{A} (and ther	$e \ are \ some) \ satisfy \ some \ \mathcal{C}_i$					
satisfiable	Model of \mathcal{A} and some \mathcal{C}_i					
, ,	here are some) satisfy some C_i					
contradictory-axioms	Refutation of \mathcal{A}					
There are no \mathcal{T} -models of \mathcal{A}						
no-consequence	\mathcal{T} -model of \mathcal{A} and some \mathcal{C}_i , \mathcal{T} -model of $\mathcal{A} \cup \overline{\mathcal{C}}$.					
Some \mathcal{T} -models of \mathcal{A} (and there are some) satisfy some \mathcal{C}_i , some satisfy $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$						
counter-satisfiable	Model of $A \cup \overline{C}$					
Some \mathcal{T} -models of \mathcal{A} (and the	here are some) satisfy $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$					
counter-theorem	Proof of $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$ from \mathcal{A}					
All \mathcal{T} -models of \mathcal{A} (and ther	e are some) satisfy $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$					
counter-equivalent	Proof of $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$ from \mathcal{A} and proof of \mathcal{A} from $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$					
A and $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$ have the same \mathcal{T} -m	odels (and there are some)					
unsatisfiable-conclusion	Proof of $\overline{\mathcal{C}}$					
All \mathcal{T} -interpretations satisfy	$\overline{\overline{\mathcal{C}}}$					
unsatisfiable	Proof of $\neg \mathcal{F}$					
All $\mathcal T$ -interpretations satisfy $\mathcal A$ and $\overline{\mathcal C}$						
Where \mathcal{F} is an assertion w	Where \mathcal{F} is an assertion whose FMP has assumption elements $\mathcal{A}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{A}_n$ and					
conclusion elements $\mathcal{C}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{C}_m$. Furthermore, let $\mathcal{A}: = \{\mathcal{A}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{A}_n\}$ and						
\mathcal{C} : = $\{\mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_m\}$, and \mathcal{F}^{-1} be the sequent that has the \mathcal{C}_i as assumptions and						
the A_i as conclusions. Finally, let $\overline{C} := \{\overline{C_1}, \dots, \overline{C_m}\}$, where $\overline{C_i}$ is a negation of C_i .						

Figure 23: Proof Status for Assertions in a Theory \mathcal{T}

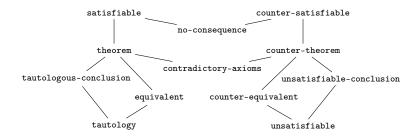


Figure 24: Relations of Assertion States

3.5.2 Type Assertions

In the last section, we have discussed the type elements in symbol declarations. These were axiomatic (and thus theory-constitutive) in character, declaring a symbol to be of a certain type, which makes this information available to type checkers that can check well-typedness (and thus plausibility) of the represented mathematical objects.

However, not all type information is axiomatic, it can also be deduced from other sources knowledge. We use the same type element we have discussed in Subsubsection 3.4.2 for such type

assertions, i.e. non-constitutive statements that inform a type-checker. In this case, the type element can occur at top level, and even outside a theory element (in which case they have to specify their home theory in the theory attribute).

Listing 16 contains a type assertion x + x: evens, which makes the information that doubling an integer number results in an even number available to the reasoning process.

Listing 16: A Term declaration in OMDoc.

```
<type xml:id="double-even.td" system="#POST"
         theory="adv.int" for="plus" just-by="#double-even">
      <m:math >
        <m:apply><m:plus/>
         <m:ci type="integer">X</m:ci>
          <m:ci type="integer">X</m:ci>
6
        </m:apply>
      </m:math>
      <m:math>
        <m:csymbol definitionURL="http://cds.omdoc.org/integers/evens"/>
      </m:math>
    </type>
    <Assertion xml:id="double-even" type="lemma" theory="adv.int">
      <FMP>
        <m:math>
16
          <m:apply><m:forall/>
            <m:bvar><m:ci xml:id="x13" type="integer">X</m:ci></m:bvar>
            <m:apply><m:in/>
              <m:apply><m:plus/>
               <m:ci definitionURL="x13" type="integer">X</m:ci>
21
               <m:ci definitionURL="x13" type="integer">X</m:ci>
             </m:apply>
             <m:csymbol definitionURL="http://cds.omdoc.org/nat/evens"/>
            </m:apply>
26
          </m:apply>
        </m·math>
      </FMP>
    </assertion>
```

The body of a type assertion contains two mathematical objects, first the type of the object and the second one is the object that is asserted to have this type.

3.5.3 Alternative Definitions

In contrast to what we have said about conservative extensions at the end of Subsubsection 3.4.3, mathematical documents often contain multiple definitions for a concept or mathematical object. However, if they do, they also contain a careful analysis of equivalence among them. OMDoc allows us to model this by providing the alternative element. Conceptually, an alternative definition or axiom is just a group of assertions that specify the equivalence of logical formulae. Of course, alternatives can only be added in a consistent way to a body of mathematical knowledge, if it is guaranteed that it is equivalent to the existing ones.

Definition 3.12 The for on the alternative points to the primary definition or assertion. Therefore, alternative has the attributes entails and entailed-by, that specify assertions that state the necessary entailments. It is an integrity condition of OMDoc that any alternative element references at least one definition or alternative element that entails it and one that it is entailed by (more can be given for convenience). The entails-thm, and entailed-by-thm attributes specify the corresponding assertions. This way we can always reconstruct equivalence of all definitions for a given symbol. As alternative definitions are not theory-constitutive, they can appear outside a theory element as long as they have a theory attribute.

3.5.4 Assertional Statements

There is another distinction for statements that we will need in the following. Some kinds of mathematical statements add information about the mathematical objects in question, whereas other statements do not. For instance, a symbol declaration only declares an unambiguous name

alternative

for an object. We will call the following OMDoc elements **assertional**: axiom (it asserts central properties about an object), type (it asserts type properties about an object), definition (this asserts properties of a new object), and of course assertion.

The following elements are considered non-assertional: symbol (only a name is declared for an object), alternative (here the assertional content is carried by the assertion elements referenced in the structure-carrying attributes of alternative). For the elements introduced below we will discuss whether they are assertional or not in their context. In a nutshell, only statements introduced by the module ADT (see ?spec@adt?) will be assertional.

3.6 Mathematical Examples in OMDoc

In mathematical practice examples play a great role, e.g. in concept formation as witnesses for definitions or as either supporting evidence, or as counter-examples for conjectures. Therefore examples are given status as primary objects in OMDoc. Conceptually, we model an example \mathcal{E} as a pair $(\mathcal{W}, \mathbf{A})$, where $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{W}_1, \dots, \mathcal{W}_n)$ is an n-tuple of mathematical objects and \mathbf{A} is an assertion. If \mathcal{E} is an example for a mathematical concept given as an OMDoc symbol \mathbf{S} , then \mathbf{A} must be of the form $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{W}_1, \dots, \mathcal{W}_n)$.

If \mathcal{E} is an example for a conjecture \mathbf{C} , then we have to consider the situation more carefully. We assume that \mathbf{C} is of the form $\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{D}$ for some formula \mathbf{D} , where \mathcal{Q} is a sequence $\mathcal{Q}_1W_1,\ldots,\mathcal{Q}_mW_m$ of $m \geq n = \#\mathcal{W}$ quantifications of using quantifiers \mathcal{Q}_i like \forall or \exists . Now let \mathcal{Q}' be a sub-sequence of m-n quantifiers of \mathcal{Q} and \mathbf{D}' be \mathbf{D} only that all the W_{i_j} such that the \mathcal{Q}_{i_j} are absent from \mathcal{Q}' have been replaced by \mathcal{W}_j for $1 \leq j \leq n$. If $\mathcal{E} = (\mathcal{W}, \mathbf{A})$ supports \mathbf{C} , then $\mathbf{A} = \mathcal{Q}'\mathbf{D}'$ and if \mathcal{E} is a counter-example for \mathbf{C} , then $\mathbf{A} = \neg \mathcal{Q}'\mathbf{D}'$.

Definition 3.13 OMDoc specifies this intuition in an **example** element that contains mathematical vernacular as a h:p elements for the description and n mathematical objects (the witnesses). It has the attributes

example

for specifying for which concepts or assertions it is an example. This is a reference to a whitespaceseparated list of URI references to symbol, definition, or assertion elements.

type specifying the aspect, the value is one of for or against

assertion a reference to the assertion A mentioned above that formally states that the witnesses really form an example for the concept of assertion. In many cases even the statement of this is non-trivial and may require a proof.

example elements are considered non-assertional in OMDoc, since the assertional part is carried by the assertion element referenced in the assertion attribute.

Note that the list of mathematical objects in an example element does not represent multiple examples, but corresponds to the argument list of the symbol, they exemplify. In the example below, the symbol for monoid is a three-place relation (see the type declaration in Listing 12), so we have three witnesses.

Listing 17: An OMDoc representation of a mathematical example

```
<OMS cd="strings" name="strings"/>
          <OMS cd="setname1" name="N"/>
        </OMA>
        <OMS cd="strings" name="concat"/>
        <OMS cd="strings" name="empty-string"/>
21
     </example>
     <assertion xml:id="monoid.are.groups" type="false-conjecture">
      <h:p>Monoids are groups.</h:p>
      \langle \mathsf{FMP} \rangle \forall S, o, e.mon(S, o, e) \rightarrow \exists i.group(S, o, e, i) \langle \mathsf{FMP} \rangle
     </assertion>
     <example xml:id="mon.ex2" for="#monoids.are.groups" type="against"</pre>
               assertion ="strings.isnt.group">
        <h:p>The set of strings with concatenation is not a group.</h:p>
        <OMR href="#nat-strings"/>
       <OMS cd="strings" name="strings"/>
<OMS cd="strings" name="concat"/>
        <OMS cd="strings" name="empty-string"/>
     </example>
     <assertion xml:id="strings.isnt.group" type="theorem">
        \langle h:p \rangle (A^*, ::, \epsilon) is a monoid, but there is no inverse function for it.\langle h:p \rangle
     </assertion>
```

In Listing 17 we show an example of the usage of an example element in OMDoc: We declare constructor symbols strings-over, that takes an alphabet A as an argument and returns the set A^* of stringss over A, concat for strings concatenation (which we will denote by ::), and empty-string for the empty string ϵ . Then we state that $\mathcal{W} = (A^*, ::, \epsilon)$ is a monoid in an assertion with xml:id="string.struct.monoid". The example element with xml:id="mon.ex1" in Listing 17 is an example for the concept of a monoid, since it encodes the pair $(\mathcal{W}, \mathbf{A})$ where \mathbf{A} is given by reference to the assertion string.struct.monoid in the assertion attribute. Example mon.ex2 uses the pair $(\mathcal{W}, \mathbf{A}')$ as a counter-example to the false conjecture monoids.are.groups using the assertion strings.isnt.group for \mathbf{A}' .

3.7 Inline Statements

Note that the infrastructure for statements introduced so far does its best to mark up the interplay of formal and informal elements in mathematical documents, and make explicit the influence of the context and their contribution to it. However, not all statements in mathematical documents can be adequately captured directly. Consider for instance the following situation, which we might find in a typical mathematical textbook.

Theorem 3.12: In a monoid M the left unit and the right unit coincide, we call it the **unit** of M.

The overt role of this text fragment is that of a mathematical theorem — as indicated by the cue word "**Theorem**", therefore we would be tempted represent it as an omtext element with the value theorem for the type attribute. But the relative clause is clearly a definition (the definiens is even marked in boldface). What we have here is an aggregated verbalization of two mathematical statements. In a simple case like this one, we could represent this as follows:

Listing 18: A Simple-Minded Representation of **Theorem 3.12**

But this representation remains unsatisfactory: the definition is not part of the theorem, which would really make a difference if the theorem continued after the inline definition. The real problem is that the inline definition is linguistically a phrase-level construct, while the omtext element is a discourse-level construct. However, as a phrase-level construct, the inline definition cannot really be taken as stand-alone, but only makes sense in the context it is presented in (which is the

beauty of it; the re-use of context). With the h:span element and its verbalizes, we can do the following:

Listing 19: An Inline Definition

thus we would have the phrase-level markup in the proper place, and we would have an explicit version of the definition which is standalone¹⁹, and we would have the explicit relation that states that the inline definition is an "abbreviation" of the standalone definition.³⁶

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3.8 Representing Proofs (Module PF)

Proofs form an essential part of mathematics and modern sciences. Conceptually, a **proof** is a representation of uncontroversial evidence for the truth of an assertion.

The question of what exactly constitutes a proof has been controversially discussed (see e.g. [BC01]). The clearest (and most radical) definition is given by theoretical logic, where a proof is a sequence, or tree, or directed acyclic graph (DAG) of applications of inference rules from a formally defined logical calculus, that meets a certain set of well-formedness conditions. There is a whole zoo of logical calculi that are optimized for various applications. They have in common that they are extremely explicit and verbose, and that the proofs even for simple theorems can become very large. The advantage of having formal and fully explicit proofs is that they can be very easily verified, even by simple computer programs. We will come back to this notion of proof in Subsubsection 3.8.3.

In mathematical practice the notion of a proof is more flexible, and more geared for consumption by humans: any line of argumentation is considered a proof, if it convinces its readers that it could in principle be expanded to a formal proof in the sense given above. As the expansion process is extremely tedious, this option is very seldom carried out explicitly. Moreover, as proofs are geared towards communication among humans, they are given at vastly differing levels of abstraction. From a very informal proof idea for the initiated specialist of the field, who can fill in the details herself, down to a very detailed account for skeptics or novices which will normally be still well above the formal level. Furthermore, proofs will usually be tailored to the specific characteristics of the audience, who may be specialists in one part of a proof while unfamiliar to the material in others. Typically such proofs have a sequence/tree/DAG-like structure, where the leaves are natural language sentences interspersed with mathematical formulae (or mathematical vernacular).

Let us consider a proof and its context (Figure 25) as it could be found in a typical elementary math. textbook, only that we have numbered the proof steps for referencing convenience. Figure 25 will be used as a running example throughout this chapter.

Since proofs can be marked up on several levels, we will introduce the OMDoc markup for proofs in stages: We will first concentrate on proofs as structured texts, marking up the discourse structure in example Figure 25. Then we will concentrate on the justifications of proof steps, and finally we will discuss the scoping and hierarchical structure of proofs.

The development of the representational infrastructure in OMDoc has a long history: From the beginning the format strived to allow structural semantic markup for textbook proofs as well as accommodate a wide range of formal proof systems without over-committing to a particular system. However, the proof representation infrastructure from Version 1.1 of OMDoc turned

¹⁹Purists could use the CSS attribute style on the definition element with value display:none to hides it from the document; it might also be placed into another document altogether

 $^{^{36}{}m EdNote}$: we probably also need inline examples and inline assertions, see Ticket 1498 in the OMDoc TRAC.

Theorem: There are infinitely many prime numbers.

Proof: We need to prove that the set P of all prime numbers is not finite.

- 1. We proceed by assuming that *P* is finite and reaching a contradiction.
- 2. Let P be finite.
- 3. Then $P = \{p_1, \ldots, p_n\}$ for some p_i .
- 4. Let $q: = p_1 \cdots p_n + 1$.
- 5. Since for each $p_i \in P$ we have $q > p_i$, we conclude $q \notin P$.
- 6. We prove the absurdity by showing that q is prime:
- 7. For each $p_i \in P$ we have $q = p_i k + 1$ for some natural number k, so p_i can not divide q;
- 8. q must be prime as P is the set of all prime numbers.

- 9. Thus we have contradicted our assumption (2)
- 10. and proven the assertion.

Figure 25: A Theorem with a Proof.

out not to be expressive enough to represent the proofs in the Helm library [Asp+01]. As a consequence, the PF module has been redesigned [AKS03] as part of the MoWGLI project [AK02]. The current version of the PF module is an adaptation of this proposal to be as compatible as possible with earlier versions of OMDoc. It has been validated by interpreting it as an implementation of the $\bar{\lambda}\mu\tilde{\mu}$ calculus [Sac06] proof representation calculus.

3.8.1 Proof Structure

In this section, we will concentrate on the structure of proofs apparent in the proof text and introduce the OMDoc infrastructure needed for marking up this aspect. Even if the proof in Figure 25 is very short and simple, we can observe several characteristics of a typical mathematical proof. The proof starts with the thesis that is followed by nine main "steps" (numbered from 1 to 10). A very direct representation of the content of Figure 25 is given in Listing 20.

Listing 20: An OMDoc Representation of Figure 25.

```
<assertion xml:id="a1">
        <h:p>There are infinitely many prime numbers.</h:p>
      </assertion>
     proof xml:id="p" for="#a1">
        <omtext xml:id="intro">
          <a href="https://example.com/hip>We need to prove that the set P of all prime numbers is not finite .</a>.</a>
        </omtext>
        <derive xml:id="d1">
          <a href="https://www.ncentral.com">h:p>We proceed by assuming that P is finite and reaching a contradiction .</a>.</a>
            cproof xml:id="p1">
11
              <hypothesis xml:id="h2"><h:p>Let P be finite./hypothesis>
                 <a href="https://example.com">h:p>Then P = \{p_1, \ldots, p_n\} for some p_i.</h:p>
                 <method><premise xref="#h2"/></method>
16
              </derive>

<symbol name="q"/>

              < definition xml:id="d4" for="q" type="informal">
                <CMP>Let q \stackrel{def}{=} p_1 \cdots p_n + 1 < /CMP>
               </definition >
              <derive xml:id="d5">
21
                 <a>h:p> Since for each p_i \in P we have q > p_i, we conclude q \notin P.</h:p>
              </derive>
              <omtext xml:id="c6">
                 <h:p>We prove the absurdity by showing that q is prime:</h:p>
```

```
</omtext>
26
              _derive xml:id="d7">
                <h:p>For each p_i \in P we have q = p_i k + 1 for some
                natural number k, so p_i can not divide q_i</h:p><method>emethod>emethod>
              </derive>
31
              <derive xml:id="d8">
                <a href="https://example.com/hip>q"> h:p>q must be prime as P is the set of all prime numbers.</a></a>/h:p>
                <method><premise xref="#d7"/></method>
              </derive>
              <derive xml:id="d9">
36
                <h:p>Thus we have contradicted our assumption</h:p>
                <method><premise xref="#d5"/><premise xref="#d8"/></method>
              </derive>
            </proof>
41
         </method>
       </derive>
       <derive xml:id="d10" type="conclusion">
          <h:p>This proves the assertion .</h:p>
       </derive>
     </proof>
```

Definition 3.14 Proofs are specified by **proof** elements in OMDoc that have the optional attributes xml:id and theory and the required attribute for. The for attribute points to the assertion that is justified by this proof (this can be an assertion element or a derive proof step (see below), thereby making it possible to specify expansions of justifications and thus hierarchical proofs).

proof

Note that there can be more than one proof for a given assertion.

Element	Attributes		M	Content
	Req.	Optional	D	
proof	for	theory, xml:id,	+	(omtext derive hypothesis
		class, style		symbol definition)*
proofobject		xml:id, for, class,	+	(OMOBJ m:math legacy)
		style, theory		
hypothesis		xml:id, class,	_	CMP*, FMP*
		style, inductive		
derive		xml:id, class,	_	CMP*, FMP*, method?
		style, type		
method		xref	_	(OMOBJ m:math legacy premise
				proof proofobject)*
premise	xref		-	EMPTY

Figure 26: The OMDoc Proof Elements

The content of a proof consists of a sequence of proof steps, whose DAG structure is given by cross-referencing. These proof steps are specified in four kinds of OMDoc elements:

omtext OMDoc allows this element to allow for intermediate text in proofs that does not have to have a logical correspondence to a proof step, but e.g. guides the reader through the proof. Examples for this are remarks by the proof author, e.g. an explanation why some other proof method will not work. We can see another example in Listing 20 in lines 5-7, where the comment gives a preview over the course of the proof.

derive elements specify normal proof steps that derive a new claim from already known ones, from assertions or axioms in the current theory, or from the assumptions of the assertion that is under consideration in the proof. See for example lines 12ff in Listing 20 for examples of derive proof steps that only state the local assertion. We will consider the specification of justifications in detail in Subsubsection 3.8.1 below. The **derive** element carries an optional xml:id attribute for identification and an optional type to single out special cases of proofs steps.

derive

The value conclusion is reserved for the concluding step of a $proof^{20}$, i.e. the one that derives the assertion made in the corresponding theorem.

The value gap is used for proof steps that are not justified (yet): we call them gap steps. Note that the presence of gap steps allows OMDoc to specify incomplete proofs as proofs with gap steps.

hypothesis elements allow to specify local assumptions that allow the hypothetical reasoning discipline needed for instance to specify proof by contradiction, by case analysis, or simply to show that A implies B, by assuming A and then deriving B from this local hypothesis. The scope of an hypothesis extends to the end of the proof element containing it. In Listing 20 the classification of step 2 from Figure 25 as the **hypothesis** element h2 forces us to embed it into a derive element with a proof grandchild, making a structure apparent that was hidden in the original.

hypothesis

An important special case of hypothesis is the case of "inductive hypothesis", this can be flagged by setting the value of the attribute inductive to yeshypothesis; the default value is no.

symbol/definition These elements allow to introduce new local symbols that are local to the containing proof element. Their meaning is just as described in Subsubsection 3.4.3, only that the role of the axiom element described there is taken by the hypothesis element. In Listing 20 step 4 in the proof is represented by a symbol/definition pair. Like in the hypothesis case, the scope of this symbol extends to the end of the proof element containing it.

These elements contain an informal (natural language) representation of the proof step in a multilingual CMP group and possibly an FMP element that gives a formal representation of the claim made by this proof step. A derive element can furthermore contain a method element that specifies how the assertion is derived from already-known facts (see the next section for details). All of the proof step elements have an optional xml:id attribute for identification and the CSS attributes.

As we have seen above, the content of any proof step is essentially a Gentzen-style sequent; see Listing 22 for an example. This mixed representation enhances multi-modal proof presentation [Fie97], and the accumulation of proof information in one structure. Informal proofs can be formalized [Bau99]; formal proofs can be transformed to natural language [HF96]. The first is important, since it will be initially infeasible to totally formalize all mathematical proofs needed for the correctness management of the knowledge base.

3.8.2 Proof Step Justifications

So far we have only concerned ourselves with the linear structure of the proof, we have identified the proof steps and classified them by their function in the proof. A central property of the derive elements is that their content (the local claim) follows from statements that we consider true. These can be earlier steps in the proof or general knowledge. To convince the reader of a proof, the steps are often accompanied with a **justification**. This can be given either by a logical inference rule or higher-level evidence for the truth of the claim. The evidence can consist in a proof method that can be used to prove the assertion, or in a separate subproof, that could be presented if the consumer was unconvinced. Conceptually, both possibilities are equivalent, since the method can be used to compute the subproof (called its **expansion**). Justifications are represented in OMDoc by the method children of derive elements²¹ (see Listing 21 for an

²⁰As the argumentative structure of the proof is encoded in the justification structure to be detailed in Subsubsection 3.8.1, the concluding step of a proof need not be the last child of a proof element.

²¹The structural and formal justification elements discussed in this section are derived from hierarchical data structures developed for semi-automated theorem proving (satisfying the logical side). They allow natural language representations at every level (allowing for natural representation of mathematical vernacular at multiple levels of abstraction). This proof representation (see [Ben+97] for a discussion and pointers) is a DAG of nodes which represent the proof steps.

example):

Definition 3.15 The **method** element contains a structural specification of the justification of the claim made in the FMP of a **derive** element.

method

So the FMP together with the method element jointly form the counterpart to the natural language content of the CMP group, they are sibling to: The FMP formalizes the local claim, and the method stands for the justification. In Listing 21 the formula in the CMP element corresponds to the claim, whereas the part "By ..., we have" is the justification. In other words, a method element specifies a proof method or inference rule with its arguments that justifies the assertion made in the FMP elements. It has an optional xref attribute whose target is an OMDOC definition of an inference rule or proof method.²² A method may have OPENMATH objects, Content-MATHML expressions, legacy, premise, proof, and proofobject²³ children. These act as parameters to the method, e.g. for the repeated universal instantiation method in Listing 21 the parameters are the terms to instantiate the bound variables.

Definition 3.16 The **premise** elements are used to refer to already established assertions: other proof steps or statements — e.g. ones given as **assertion**, **definition**, or **axiom** elements — the method was applied to to obtain the local claim of the proof step. The **premise** elements are empty and carry the required attribute **xref**, which contains the URI of the assertion.

premise

Thus the premise elements specify the DAG structure of the proof. Note that even if we do not mark up the method in a justification (e.g. if it is unknown or obvious) it can still make sense to structure the argument in premise elements. We have done so in Listing 20 to make the dependencies of the argumentation explicit.

If a derive step is a logically (or even mathematically) complex step, an expansion into substeps can be specified in a proof or proofobject element embedded into the justifying method element. An embedded proof allows us to specify generic markup for the hierarchic structure of proofs. Expansions of nodes justified by method applications are computed, but the information about the method itself is not discarded in the process as in tactical theorem provers like ISABELLE [Pau94] or NuPreceive [Con+86]. Thus, proof nodes may have justifications at multiple levels of abstraction in an hierarchical proof data structure. Thus the method elements allow to augment the linear structure of the proof by a tree/DAG-like secondary structure given by the premise links. Due to the complex hierarchical structure of proofs, we cannot directly utilize the tree-like structure provided by XML, but use cross-referencing. The derive step in Listing 21 represents an inner node of the proof tree/DAG with three children (the elements with identifiers A2, A4, and A5).

Listing 21: A derive Proof Step

²²At the moment OMDoc does not provide markup for such objects, so that they should best be represented by symbols with definition where the inference rule is explained in the CMP (see the lower part of Listing 21), and the FMP holds a content representation for the inference rule, e.g. using the content dictionary [Koh05]. A good enhancement is to encapsulate system-specific encodings of the inference rules in private or code elements and have the xref attribute point to these.

²³This object is an alternative representation of certain proofs, see Subsubsection 3.8.3.

```
<theory xml:id="NK-Sorts">
       <metadata>
          < dc:title > Natural Deduction for Sorted Logic < / dc:title >
19
       </metadata>
       <symbol name="forallistar">
          <metadata>
            < dc:description > Repeated Universal Instantiation > < /dc:description >
24
          </metadata>
       </symbol>
       < definition xml:id=" forallistar . def" for=" forallistar " type="informal">
          \langle \mathsf{CMP} \rangle \mathsf{Given} \ n parameters, the inference rule \forall I^* instantiates
            the first n universal quantifications in the antecedent with them.</CMP>
       </definition >
     </theory>
```

In OMDoc the premise elements must reference proof steps in the current proof or statements (assertion or axiom elements) in the scope of the current theory: A statement is in **scope** of the current theory, if its home theory is the current theory or imported (directly or indirectly) by the current theory.

Furthermore note that a proof containing a premise element is not self-contained evidence for the validity of the assertion it proves. Of course it is only evidence for the validity at all (we call such a proof grounded), if all the statements that are targets of premise references have grounded proofs themselves²⁴ and the reference relation does not contain cycles. A grounded proof can be made self-contained by inserting the target statements as derive elements before the referencing premise and embedding at least one proof into the derive as a justification.

Let us now consider another proof example (Listing 22) to fortify our intuition.

Listing 22: An OMDoc Representation of a Proof by Cases

```
<assertion xml:id="t1" theory="sets">
                                   <h:p>If a \in U or a \in V, then a \in U \cup V.</h:p>
                                             <assumption xml:id="t1" a">a \in U \lor a \in V < assumption>
                                              <conclusion xml:id="t1_c">a \in U \cup V </conclusion>
                                   </FMP>
                        </assertion>
                        c, comproof comp
                                   <omtext xml:id="t1_p1_m1">
                                             <h:p> We prove the assertion by a case analysis .</h:p>
                                   </omtext>
                                   derive xml:id="t1_p1_l1">
13
                                             \langle h:p \rangle \text{If } a \in U, then a \in U \cup V. \langle h:p \rangle
                                             <FMP>
                                                       <assumption xml:id="t1_p1_l1_a">a \in U < /assumption > 0
                                                        <conclusion xml:id="t1_p1_l1_c">a \in U \cup V </conclusion>
                                             <method xref="sk.omdoc#SK.by definition">U</method>
                                    </derive>
                                   <derive xml:id="t1_p1_l2">
                                             \langle h:p \rangle \text{If } a \in V, \text{ then } \overline{a} \in U \cup V. \langle /h:p \rangle
                                             <FMP>
                                                       <assumption xml:id="t1_p1_l2_a">a \in V < /assumption > a = V < /a
23
                                                        <conclusion \timesml:id="t1 p1 l2 c">a \in U \cup V </conclusion>
                                             <method xref="sk.omdoc#SK.by definition">U</method>
                                    </derive>
                                   <derive xml:id="t1_p1_c">
28
                                              <h:p> We have \stackrel{\cdot}{\operatorname{considered}} both cases, so we have a \in U \cup V.
                        </proof>
```

This proof is in sequent style: The statement of all local claims is in self-contained FMPs that mark up the statement in assumption/conclusion form, which makes the logical dependencies explicit. In this example we use inference rules from the calculus "SK", Gentzen's sequent calculus for classical first-order logic [Gen35], which we assume to be formalized in a theory SK. Note that

²⁴For assertion targets this requirement is obvious. Obviously, axioms do not need proofs, but certain forms of definitions need well-definedness proofs (see Subsubsection 3.4.3). These are included in the definition of a grounded proof.

local assumptions from the FMP should not be referenced outside the derive step they were made in. In effect, the derive element serves as a grouping device for local assumptions.

Note that the same effect as embedding a proof element into a derive step can be obtained by specifying the proof at top-level and using the optional for attribute to refer to the identity of the enclosing proof step (given by its optional xml:id attribute), we have done this in the proof in Listing 23, which expands the derive step with identifier t1_p1_11 in Listing 22.

Listing 23: An External Expansion of Step t_1_p1_11 in Listing 22

```
< definition xml:id="union.def" for="union">
       \forall P, Q, x.x \in P \cup Q \Leftrightarrow x \in P \vee x \in Q
     </definition >
     <FMP>
           <assumption xml:id="t1_p1_l1.d1.a">a \in U</assumption><conclusion xml:id="t1_p1_l1.d1.c">a \in U</conclusion>
         <method xref="sk.omdoc#SK.axiom"/>
       </derive>
       <derive xml:id="t1 p1 l1.l1.d2">
         <FMP>
           <assumption \timesml:id="t1 p1 l1.d2.a">a \in U < /assumption>
           <conclusion \timesml:id="t1_p1_l1.d2.c">a \in U \lor a \in V </conclusion>
         _method xref="sk.omdoc#SK.orR">premise xref="#t1_p1_l1.d1"/></method>
       </derive>
19
       \langle derive \times ml:id = "t1 p1 l1.d3" \rangle
           <assumption xml:id="t1 p1 l1.d3.a">a \in U \lor a \in V < assumption>
           <conclusion \timesml:id="t1 p1 l1.d3.c">a \in U \cup V < /conclusion>
24
         <method \timesref="sk.omdoc#SK.definition-rl">U, V, a
           cpremise xref="#unif.def"/>
         </method>
       </derive>
       derive xml:id="t1 p1 l1.d4">
29
           <assumption xml:id="t1 p1 l1.d3.a">a \in U < /assumption>
           <conclusion xml:id="t1_p1_l1.d3.c">a \in U \cup V < /conclusion>
         </FMP>
         method xref="sk.omdoc#SK.cut">
34
           </method>
       </derive>
    </proof>
```

3.8.3 Scoping and Context in a Proof

Unlike the sequent style proofs we discussed in the last section, many informal proofs use the natural deduction style [Gen35], which allows to reason from local assumptions. We have already seen such hypotheses as hypothesis elements in Listing 20. The main new feature is that hypotheses can be introduced at some point in the proof, and are discharged later. As a consequence, they can only be used in certain parts of the proof. The hypothesis is inaccessible for inference outside the nearest ancestor proof element of the hypothesis.

Let us now reconsider the proof in Figure 25. Some of the steps (2, 3, 4, 5, 7) leave the thesis unmodified; these are called **forward reasoning** or **bottom-up proof steps**, since they are used to derive new knowledge from the available one with the aim of reaching the conclusion. Some other steps (1, 6) are used to conclude the (current) thesis by opening new subproofs, each one characterized with a new local thesis. These steps are called **backward reasoning** or **top-down proof steps** steps, since they are used to reduce a complex problem (proving the thesis) to several simpler problems (the subproofs). In our example, both backward reasoning steps open just one new subproof: Step 1 reduces the goal to proving that the finiteness of P implies a contradiction; step 5 reduces the goal to proving that q is prime.

Step 2 is used to introduce a new hypothesis, whose scope extends from the point where it is introduced to the end of the current subproof, covering also all the steps inbetween and in particular all subproofs that are introduced in these. In our example the scope of the hypothesis that P is finite (step 2 in Figure 25) are steps 3-8. In an inductive proof, for instance, the scope of the inductive hypothesis covers only the proof of the inductive step and not the proof of the base case (independently from the order adopted to present them to the user).

Step 4 is similar, it introduces a new symbol q, which is a local declaration that has scope over lines 4-9. The difference between a hypothesis and a local declaration is that the latter is used to introduce a variable as a new element in a given set or type, whereas the former, is used to locally state some property of the variables in scope. For example, "let n be a natural number" is a declaration, while "suppose n to be a multiple of 2" is a hypothesis. The introduction of a new hypothesis or local declaration should always be justified by a proof step that discharges it. In our example the declaration P is discharged in step 10. Note that in contrast to the representation in Listing 20 we have chosen to view step 6 in Figure 25 as a top-down proof step rather than a proof comment.

To sum up, every proof step is characterized by a current thesis and a *context*, which is the set of all the local declarations, hypotheses, and local definitions in scope. Furthermore, a step can either introduce a new hypothesis, definition, or declaration or can just be a forward or backward reasoning step. It is a forward reasoning derive step if it leaves the current thesis as it is. It is a backward reasoning derive step if it opens new subproofs, each one characterized by a new thesis and possibly a new context.

Listing 24: A top-down Representation of the Proof in Figure 25.

```
<assertion xml:id="a1">
       <h:p>There are infinitely many prime numbers.</h:p>
     </assertion>
     cproof for="#a1">
       <omtext xml:id="c0">
         \langle h:p \rangleWe need to prove that the set P of all prime numbers is not finite .</h:p \rangle
       </omtext>
       <derive xml:id="d1">
         <h:p> We proceed by assuming that P is finite and reaching a contradiction .</h:p>
         <method xref="nk.omdoc#NK.by-contradiction">
            proof>
11
              <hypothesis xml:id="h2"><h:p>Let P be finite./h:p></hypothesis>
              <derive xml:id="d3"><h:p>Then P = \{p_1, \ldots, p_n\} for some n < /h:p > </derive>
             <symbol name="q"/>
<definition xml:id="d4" for="q" type="informal">
                <CMP>Let q \stackrel{def}{=} p_1 \cdots p_n + 1 < /CMP>
16
              </definition>
              <derive xml:id="d5a">
                <h:p>For each p_i \in P we have q>p_i </h:p><method xref="#Trivial"><premise xref="#d4"/></method>
              </derive>
21
              <derive xml:id="d5b">
                <h:p>q \notin P</h:p>
                <method xref="#Trivial"><premise xref="#d5"/></method>
              </derive>
              <derive xml:id="d6">
                <h:p>We show absurdity by showing that q is prime</h:p>
                <FMP>\bot</FMP>
                <method \times ref = "\#Contradiction">
                  cpremise xref="#d5b"/>
31
                  of>
                    <derive xml:id="d7a">
                        For each p_i \in P we have q = p_i k + 1 for a given natural number k.
                       <method xref="#By Definition"><premise xref="#d1"/></method>
36
                    </derive>
                    <derive xml:id="d7b">
                       <h:p>Each p_i \in P does not divide q</h:p>
                    </derive>
                    <derive xml:id="d8">
41
                      \langle h:p \rangle q is prime\langle h:p \rangle
                       <method xref="#Trivial">
                         cpremise xref="#h2"/>
                         cpremise xref="#p4"/>
                      </method>
46
```

proof elements are considered to be non-assertional in OMDoc, since they do not make assertions about mathematical objects themselves, but only justify such assertions. The assertional elements inside the proofs are governed by the scoping mechanisms discussed there, so that using them in a context where assertional elements are needed, can be forbidden.

3.8.4 Formal Proofs as Mathematical Objects

In OMDoc, the notion of fully formal proofs is accommodated by the proofobject element. In logic, the term proof object is used for term representations of formal proofs via the Curry/Howard/DeBruijn Isomorphism (see e.g. [Tho91] for an introduction and Figure 27 for an example). λ -terms are among the most succinct representations of calculus-level proofs as they only document the inference rules. Since they are fully formal, they are very difficult to read and need specialized proof presentation systems for human consumption. In proof objects inference rules are represented as mathematical symbols, in our example in Figure 27 we have assumed a theory PLOND for the calculus of natural deduction in propositional logic which provides the necessary symbols (see Listing 25).

Definition 3.17 The **proofobject** element contains an optional multilingual group of h:p elements which describes the formal proof as well as a proof object which can be an OpenMath object, Content-Mathmath expression, or legacy element.

proofobject

Note that using OMDoc symbols for inference rules and mathematical objects for proofs reifies them to the object level and allows us to treat them at par with any other mathematical objects. We might have the following theory for natural deduction in propositional logic as a reference target for the second inference rule in Figure 27.

Listing 25: A Theory for Propositional Natural Deduction

```
 \begin{array}{c} <\mathsf{theory} \ \mathsf{xml:id} = "\mathsf{PLOND"} > \\ <\mathsf{metadata} > \\ <\mathsf{dc:description} > \mathsf{The} \ \mathsf{Natural} \ \mathsf{Deduction} \ \mathsf{Calculus} \ \mathsf{for} \ \mathsf{Propositional} \ \mathsf{Logic} < / \mathsf{dc:description} > \\ </\mathsf{metadata} > \\ \ldots \\ <\mathsf{symbol} \ \mathsf{name} = "\mathsf{andI"} > \\ <\mathsf{metadata} > <\mathsf{dc:subject} > \mathsf{Conjunction} \ \mathsf{Introduction} < / \mathsf{dc:subject} > </\mathsf{metadata} > \\ <\mathsf{type} \ \mathsf{system} = "\mathsf{prop} - \mathsf{as} - \mathsf{types}" > A \to B \to (A \land B) < / \mathsf{type} > \\ </\mathsf{symbol} > \\ <\mathsf{definition} \ \mathsf{xml:id} = "\mathsf{andI.def"} \ \mathsf{for} = "\mathsf{andi"} > \\ <\mathsf{h:p} > \mathsf{Conjunction} \ \mathsf{introduction}, \ \mathsf{if} \ \mathsf{we} \ \mathsf{can} \ \mathsf{derive} \ A \ \mathsf{and} \ B, \\ \mathsf{then} \ \mathsf{we} \ \mathsf{can} \ \mathsf{conclude} \ A \land B . < / \mathsf{h:p} > \\ </\mathsf{definition} > \\ \ldots \\ </\mathsf{theory} > \\ \end{aligned}
```

In particular, it is possible to use a **definition** element to define a derived inference rule by simply specifying the proof term as a definiens:

```
 \begin{aligned} &<& \text{symbol name} = \text{"andcom"} > \\ &<& \text{metadata} > &<& \text{dc:description} > \text{Commutativity for } \land &<& \text{/dc:description} > </ \text{metadata} > \\ &<& \text{type system} = \text{"prop-as-types"} > (A \land B) \rightarrow (B \land A) < / \text{type} > \\ &<& \text{/symbol} > \\ &<& \text{definition xml:id} = \text{"andcom.def" for} = \text{"#andcom" type} = \text{"simple"} > \\ &<& \text{OMR href} = \text{"#andcom.pf"} / > \\ &<& \text{/definition} > \end{aligned}
```

Like proofs, proofobjects elements are considered to be non-assertional in OMDoc, since they do not make assertions about mathematical objects themselves, but only justify such assertions.

```
cproofobject xml:id="ac.p" for="#and-comm">
                                        .
<metadata>
                                         <dc:description>
                                         Assuming A \wedge B we have B and A
                                         from which we can derive B \wedge A.
                                         </dc:description>
                                        </metadata>
                                        OMBIND id="andcom.pf">
                                        <OMS cd="PLOND" name="implies1"/>
                                         <OMBVAR>
                                          <OMATTR>
                                          <OMATP>
                                           <OMS cd="PL0ND" name="type"/>
\frac{[A \wedge B]}{B} \wedge E_r \quad \frac{[A \wedge B]}{A} \wedge E_l
                                          \frac{1}{B \wedge A} \wedge I
                                          <OMV name="X"/>
                                          </OMATTR>
                                         </OMBVAR>
 \overline{A \land B \Rightarrow B \land A}
                                        <OMA>
                                          <OMS cd="PL0ND" name="andI"/>
                                          <OMA>
                                          <OMÁ>
                                           <OMS cd="PL0ND" name="andEr"/>
                                          <OMV name="X"/>
</OMA>
                                          <OMA>
                                           <OMS cd="PL0ND" name="andEl"/>
                                           <OMV name="X"/>
                                          </OMA>
                                          </OMA>
                                         </OMA>
                                        </OMBIND>
                                       </proofobject>
```

The schema on the left shows the proof as a natural deduction proof tree, the OMDoc representation gives the proof object as a λ term. This term would be written as the following term in traditional (mathematical) notation: $\Rightarrow I(\lambda X : A \wedge B. \wedge I(\wedge E_r(X), \wedge E_l(X)))$

Figure 27: A Proof Object for the Commutativity of Conjunction

3.9 Strict Translations

We will now give the a formal 37 semantics of the ST elements in terms of strict OMDoc (see ?spec@strict?). 383940

EdN:37

EdN:38 EdN:39

EdN:40

 $^{^{37}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: do we really want to call it "formal"?

 $^{^{38}\}mathrm{EdNote}\colon$ what do we do if there is both FMP and CMPs in an axiom?

 $^{^{39}}E_{D}N_{OTE}$: what do we do if there is more than one symbol per definition?

 $^{^{40}\}mathrm{E_DNote}$: what do we do for non-simple definitions

4 Theories as Structured Contexts

4.1 Simple Theories

OMDoc provides an infrastructure for mathematical theories as first-class objects that can be used to structure larger bodies of mathematics by functional aspects, to serve as a framework for semantically referencing mathematical objects, and to make parts of mathematical developments reusable in multiple contexts. The module ST presented in this chapter introduces a part of this infrastructure, which can already address the first two concerns. For the latter, we need the machinery for complex theories introduced in Subsection 4.1.

Definition 4.1 Theories are specified by the **theory** element in OMDoc, which has a required xml:id attribute for referencing the theory. Furthermore, the theory element can have the cdbase attribute that allows to specify the cdbase this theory uses for disambiguation on om:OMS elements (see Subsubsection 2.1.0 for a discussion).

theory

Additional information about the theory like a title or a short description can be given in the metadata element. After this, any top-level OMDoc element can occur, including the theory-constitutive elements introduced in Subsection 3.0 and Subsubsection 3.4.3, even theory elements themselves. Note that theory-constitutive elements may *only* occur in theory elements.

Definition 4.2 Theories can be structured like documents e.g. into sections and the like (see Subsection 5.3 for a discussion) via the **tgroup** element, which behaves exactly like the omdoc element introduced in Subsection 5.3 except that it also allows theory-constitutive elements, but does not allow a **theory** attribute, since this information is already given by the dominating theory element.²⁵

tgroup

Element	Attrib	utes	M	Content	
	Req.	Optional	D		
theory		xml:id, class, style, cdbase, cdversion,	+	$(\langle\langle top+thc \rangle\rangle \mid$	
		cdrevision, cdstatus, cdurl, cdreviewdate		imports)*	
imports	from	id, type, class, style	+		
tgroup	roup xml:id, modules, type, class, style $+$ $(\langle top+thc \rangle)$			$(\langle\langle top+thc \rangle\rangle)*$	
where $\langle top+thc \rangle$ stands for top-level and theory-constitutive elements					

Figure 28: Theories in OMDoc

4.1.1 Simple Inheritance

theory elements can contain imports elements (mixed in with the top-level ones) to specify inheritance: The main idea behind structured theories and specification is that not all theory-constitutive elements need to be explicitly stated in a theory; they can be inherited from other theories. Formally, the set of theory-constitutive elements in a theory is the union of those that are explicitly specified and those that are imported from other theories. This has consequences later on, for instance, these are available for use in proofs. See Subsubsection 3.8.1 for details on availability of assertional statements in proofs and justifications.

Definition 4.3 The meaning of the **imports** element is determined by two attributes:

imports

from The value of this attribute is a URI reference that specifies the **source theory**, i.e. the theory we import from. The current theory (the one specified in the parent of the **imports** element, we will call it the **target theory**) inherits the constitutive elements from the source theory.

²⁵This element has been introduced to keep OMDoc validation manageable: We cannot directly use the omdoc element, since there is no simple, context-free way to determine whether an omdoc is dominated by a theory element.

type This optional attribute can have the values global and local (the former is assumed, if the attribute is absent): We call constitutive elements local to the current theory, if they are explicitly defined as children, and else inherited. A local import (an imports element with type="local") only imports the local elements of the source theory, a global import also the inherited ones.

The meaning of nested theory elements is given in terms of an implicit imports relation: The inner theory imports from the outer one. Thus

</definition>

In particular, the symbol cc is visible only in theory b.thy, not in the rest of theory a.thy in the first representation.

Note that the inherited elements of the current theory can themselves be inherited in the source theory. For instance, in the Listing 27 the left-inv is the only local axiom of the theory group, which has the inherited axioms closed, assoc, left-unit.

In order for this import mechanism to work properly, the inheritance relation, i.e. the relation on theories induced by the imports elements, must be acyclic. There is another, more subtle constraint on the inheritance relation concerning multiple inheritance. Consider the situation in Listing 26: here theories A and B import theories with xml:id="mythy", but from different URIs. Thus we have no guarantee that the theories are identical, and semantic integrity of the theory C is at risk. Note that this situation might in fact be totally unproblematic, e.g. if both URIs point to the same document, or if the referenced documents are identical or equivalent. But we cannot guarantee this by content markup alone, we have to forbid it to be safe.

Listing 26: Problematic Multiple Inheritance

```
<theory xml:id="A">
<imports from="http://red.com/theories.omdoc#mythy"/>
</theory>
<theory xml:id="B">
<imports from="http://blue.org/cd/all.omdoc#mythy"/>
</theory>
</theory>
<theory xml:id="C">
<imports from="#A"/><imports from="#B"/></theory>
```

Let us now formulate the constraint carefully, the **base URI** of an XML document is the URI that has been used to retrieve it. We adapt this to OMDoc theory elements: the base URI of an imported theory is the URI declared in the **cdbase** attribute of the **theory** element (if present) or the base URI of the document which contains it²⁶. For theories that are imported along a chain of global imports, which include relative URIs, we need to employ URI normalization to compute the effective URI. Now the constraint is that any two imported theories that have the same value of the xml:id attribute must have the same base URI. Note that this does not imply a global unicity constraint for xml:id values of theory elements, it only means that the mapping of theory identifiers to URIs is unambiguous in the dependency cone of a theory.

²⁶Note that the base URI of the document is sufficient, since a valid OMDoc document cannot contain more than one theory element for a given xml:id

In Listing 27 we have specified three algebraic theories that gradually build up a theory of groups importing theory-constitutive statements (symbols, axioms, and definitions) from earlier theories and adding their own content. The theory semigroup provides symbols for an operation op on a base set set and has the axioms for closure and associativity of op. The theory of monoids imports these without modification and uses them to state the left-unit axiom. The theory monoid then proceeds to add a symbol neut and an axiom that states that it acts as a left unit with respect to set and op. The theory group continues this process by adding a symbol inv for the function that gives inverses and an axiom that states its meaning.

Listing 27: A Structured Development of Algebraic Theories in OMDoc

```
<theory xml:id="semigroup">
       <symbol name="set"/><symbol name="op"/>
       <axiom xml:id="closed"> . . . </axiom><axiom xml:id="assoc"> . . . </axiom>
     </theory>
    <theory xml:id="monoid">
       <imports from="#semigroup"/>
       <symbol name="neut"/><symbol name="setstar"/>
       <axiom xml:id="left-unit">
         <h:p>neut is a left unit for op.FMP>\forall x \in \text{set.op}(x, \text{neut}) = x < / \text{FMP}>
       < definition xml:id="setstar.def" for="setstar" type="implicit">
         <h:p>·* subtracts the unit from a set </h:p><\hat{FMP}\forall \documenrs S.S* = S\{unit}</pre>
     </theory>
    <theory xml:id="group">
       <imports from="#monoid"/>
18
       <symbol name="inv"/>
       <axiom xml:id="left-inv">
         <h:p>For every X \in \text{set} there is an inverse inv(X) wrt. op./h:p>
       </axiom>
    </theory>
```

The example in Listing 27 shows that with the notion of theory inheritance it is possible to re-use parts of theories and add structure to specifications. For instance it would be very simple to define a theory of Abelian semigroups by adding a commutativity axiom.

The set of symbols, axioms, and definitions available for use in proofs in the importing theory consists of the ones directly specified as symbol, axiom, and definition elements in the target theory itself (we speak of local axioms and definitions in this case and the ones that are inherited from the source theories via imports elements. Note that these symbols, axioms, and definitions (we call them inherited) can consist of the local ones in the source theories and the ones that are inherited there.

The local and inherited symbols, definitions, and axioms are the only ones available to mathematical statements and proofs. If a symbol is not available in the home theory (the one given by the dominating theory element or the one specified in the theory attribute of the statement), then it cannot be used since its semantics is not defined.

4.1.2 OMDoc Theories as Content Dictionaries

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In Section 1, we have introduced the OpenMath and Content-MathML representations for mathematical objects and formulae. One of the central concepts there was the notion that the representation of a symbol includes a pointer to a document that defines its meaning. In the OpenMath standard, these documents are identified as OpenMath content dictionaries, the MathML recommendation is not specific. In the examples above, we have seen that OMDoc documents can contain definitions of mathematical concepts and symbols, thus they are also candidates for "defining documents" for symbols. By the OpenMath2 standard [Bus+04] suitable classes of OMDoc documents can act as OpenMath content dictionaries (we call them OMDoc content dictionaries; see ?spec@sub-languages.cd?). The main distinguishing feature of

 $^{^{41}\}mathrm{OLD}$ Part: The discussion here depends on the upcoming OM3 standard and MathML3 recommendation. The material is provisional on the expected outcome and may change in the future.

OMDoc content dictionaries is that they include theory elements with symbol declarations (see Subsubsection 3.4.3) that act as the targets for the pointers in the symbol representations in OPENMATH and Content-MATHML. The theory name specified in the xml:id attribute of the theory element takes the place of the CDname defined in the OPENMATH content dictionary.

Furthermore, the URI specified in the cdbase attribute is the one used for disambiguation on om: OMS elements (see Subsubsection 2.1.0 for a discussion).

For instance the symbol declaration in Listing 12 can be referenced as 42

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<OMS cd="elAlg" name="monoid" cdbase="http://omdoc.org/algebra.omdoc"/>

if it occurs in a theory for elementary algebra whose xml:id attribute has the value elAlg and which occurs in a resource with the URI http://omdoc.org/algebra.omdoc or if the cdbase attribute of the theory element has the value http://omdoc.org/algebra.omdoc.

To be able to act as an OpenMath2 content dictionary format, OMDoc must be able to express content dictionary metadata (see Listing ?? for an example). For this, the theory element carries some optional attributes that allow to specify the administrative metadata of OpenMath content dictionaries.

The cdstatus attribute specifies the content dictionary status, which can take one of the following values: official (i.e. approved by the OPENMATH Society), experimental (i.e. under development and thus liable to change), private (i.e. used by a private group of OPENMATH users) or obsolete (i.e. only for archival purposes). The attributes cdversion and cdrevision jointly specify the content dictionary version number, which consists of two parts, a major version and a revision, both of which are non-negative integers. For details between the relation between content dictionary status and versions consult the OPENMATH standard [Bus+04].

Furthermore, the theory element can have the following attributes:

cdbase for the content dictionary base which, when combined with the content dictionary name, forms a unique identifier for the content dictionary. It may or may not refer to an actual location from which it can be retrieved.

cdurl for a valid URL where the source file for the content dictionary encoding can be found.

cdreviewdate for the review date of the content dictionary, i.e. the date until which the content dictionary is guaranteed to remain unchanged.

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4.2 Complex Theories (Modules CTH and DG)

In Section 3 we have presented a notion of theory and inheritance that is sufficient for simple applications like content dictionaries that informally (though presumably rigorously) define the static meaning of symbols. Experience in e.g. program verification has shown that this infrastructure is insufficient for large-scale developments of formal specifications, where reusability of formal components is the key to managing complexity. For instance, for a theory of rings we cannot simply inherit the same theory of monoids as both the additive and multiplicative structure.

In this chapter, we will generalize the inheritance relation from Section 3 to that of "theory inclusions", also called "theory morphisms" or "theory interpretations" elsewhere [Far93]. This infrastructure allows to structure a collection of theories into a complex theory graph that particularly supports modularization and reuse of parts of specifications and theories. This gives rise to the name "complex theories" of the OMDoc module.

4.2.1 Inheritance via Translations

Literal inheritance of symbols is often insufficient to re-use mathematical structures and theories efficiently. Consider for instance the situation in the elementary algebraic hierarchy: for a theory of rings, we should be able to inherit the additive group structure from the theory group of groups

 $^{^{42}\}mathrm{Ed}\mathrm{Note}$: is this really the right cdbase?

Element	Attributes		M	Content
	Required	Optional	D	
theory		xml:id, class, style	+	$(\langle\langle top\text{-}level\rangle\rangle \mid imports \mid inclusion)*$
imports	from	<pre>xml:id, type, class, style, conservativity, conservativity-just</pre>	+	morphism?
morphism		<pre>xml:id, base, class, style, type, hiding, consistency, exhaustivity</pre>	_	requation*, measure?, ordering?
inclusion	via	<pre>xml:id, conservativity, conservativity-just</pre>	_	EMPTY
theory-inclusion	from, to	<pre>xml:id, class, style, conservativity, conservativity-just</pre>	+	(CMP*,FMP*, morphism, obligation*)
axiom-inclusion	from, to	<pre>xml:id, class, style, conservativity, conservativity-just</pre>	+	morphism?, obligation*

Figure 29: Complex Theories in OMDoc

and the structure of a multiplicative monoid from the theory monoid: A ring is a set R together with two operations + and *, such that (R,+) is a group with unit 0 and inverse operation - and $(R^*,*)$ is a monoid with unit 1 and base set R^* : $= \{r \in R | r \neq 0\}$. Using the literal inheritance regime introduced so far, would lead us into a duplication of efforts as we have to define theories for semigroups and monoids for the operations + and * (see Figure 30).

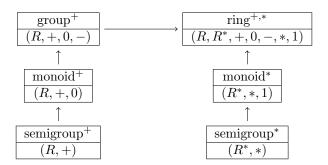


Figure 30: A Theory of Rings via Simple Inheritance

This problem²⁷ can be alleviated by allowing theory inheritance via translations. Instead of literally inheriting the symbols and axioms from the source theory, we involve a symbol mapping function (we call this a **morphism**) in the process. This function maps source formulae (i.e. built up exclusively from symbols visible in the source theory) into formulae in the target theory by translating the source symbols.

Figure 31 shows a theory graph that defines a theory of rings by importing the monoid axioms via the morphism σ . With this translation, we do not have to duplicate the monoid and semigroup theories and can even move the definition of \cdot^* operator into the theory of monoids, where it intuitively belongs²⁸.

Formally, we extend the notion of inheritance given in Section 3 by allowing a target theory to import another a source theory via a morphism: Let S be a theory with theory-constitutive elements²⁹ t_1, \ldots, t_n and $\sigma: S \to T$ a morphism, if we declare that T imports S via σ , then T

 $^{^{27}}$ which seems negligible in this simple example, but in real life, each instance of multiple inheritance leads to a *multiplication* of all dependent theories, which becomes an exponentially redundant management nightmare.

²⁸On any monoid $M=(S,\circ,e)$, we have the * operator, which converts a set $S\subseteq M$ in to $S^*\colon=\{r\in S|r\neq e\}$ ²⁹which may in turn be inherited from other theories

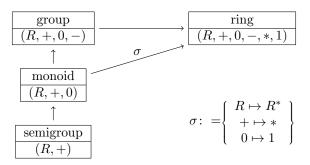


Figure 31: A Theory of Rings via Morphisms

inherits the theory-constitutive statements $\sigma(t_i)$ from \mathcal{S} . For instance, the theory of rings inherits the axiom $\forall x.x + 0 = x$ from the theory of monoids as $\sigma(\forall x.x + 0 = x) = \forall x.x * 1 = x$.

Definition 4.4 To specify the formula mapping function, module CTH extends the imports element by allowing it to have a child element **morphism**, which specifies a formula mapping by a set of recursive equations using the **requation** element described in Subsubsection 3.4.3. The optional attribute type allows to specify whether the function is really recursive (value **recursive**) or pattern-defined (value **pattern**).

morphism

As in the case of the definition element, termination of the defined function can be specified using the optional child elements measure and ordering, or the optional attributes uniqueness and existence, which point to uniqueness and existence assertions. Consistency and exhaustivity of the recursive equations are specified by the optional attributes consistency and exhaustivity.

Listing 28 gives the OMDoc representation of the theory graph in Figure 31, assuming the theories in Listing 27.

Listing 28: A Theory of Rings by Inheritance Via Renaming

```
<theory xml:id="ring">
      <symbol name="times"/><symbol name="one"/>
      <imports xml:id="add.import" from="#group" type="global"/>
      <imports xml:id="mult.import" from="#monoid" type="global">
        <morphism>
           <OMS cd="monoid" name="set"/>
           <OMA><OMS cd="monoid" name="setstar"/>
              <OMS cd="semigroup" name="set"/>
            </OMA>
          </requation>
          <requation>
           <OMS cd="monoid" name="op"/>
           <OMS cd="ring" name="times"/>
14
          </requation>
          <requation>
           <OMS cd="monoid" name="neut"/>
           <OMS cd="ring" name="one"/>
          </requation>
19
        </morphism>
      </imports>
      <axiom xml:id="ring. distribution">
        <CMP><OMS cd="semigroup" name="op"/> distributes over
          <OMS cd="ring" name="times"/>
24
        </CMP>
      </axiom>
    </theory>
```

To conserve space and avoid redundancy, OMDoc morphisms need only specify the values of symbols that are translated; all other symbols are inherited literally. Thus the set of symbols inherited by an **imports** element consists of the symbols of the source theory that are not in the domain of the morphism. In our example, the symbols R, +, 0, -, *, 1 are visible in the theory

of rings (and any other symbols the theory of semigroups may have inherited). Note that we do not have a name clash from multiple inheritance.

Finally, it is possible to hide symbols from the source theory by specifying them in the hiding attribute. The intended meaning is that the underlying signature mapping is defined (total) on all symbols in the source theory except on the hidden ones. This allows to define symbols that are local to a given theory, which helps achieve data protection. Unfortunately, there is no simple interpretation of hiding in the general case in terms of formula translations, see [Mos04; MAH06] for details. The definition of hiding used there is more general. The variant used here arises as the special case where the hiding morphism, which goes against the import direction, is an inclusion; then the symbols that are not in the image are the hidden ones. If we restrict ourselves to hiding defined symbols, then the situation becomes simpler to understand: A morphism that hides a (defined) symbol s will translate the theory-constitutive elements of the source theory by expanding definitions. Thus s will not be present in the target theory, but all the contributions of the theory-constitutive elements of the source theory will have been inherited. Say, we want to define the concept of a sorting function, i.e. a function that — given a list L as input — returns a returns a permutation L' of L that is ordered. In the situation depicted in Figure 32, we would the concept of an ordering function (a function that returns a permutation of the input list that is ordered) with the help of predicates perm and ordered. Since these are only of interest in the context of the definition of the latter, they would typically be hidden in order to refrain from polluting the name space.

As morphisms often contain common prefixes, the morphism element has an optional base attribute, which points to a chain of morphisms, whose composition is taken to be the base of this morphism. The intended meaning is that the new morphism coincides as a function with the base morphism, wherever the specified pattern do not match, otherwise their corresponding values take precedence over those in the base morphism. Concretely, the base contains a whitespace-separated list of URI references to theory-inclusion, axiom-inclusion, and imports elements. Note that the order of the references matters: they are ordered in order of the path in the local chain, i.e if we have base="# $\langle ref1 \rangle \dots \# \langle refn \rangle$ " there must be theory inclusions σ_i with xml:id=" $\langle refi \rangle$ ", such that the target theory of σ_{i-1} is the source theory of σ_i , and such that the source theory of σ_1 and the target theory of σ_n are the same as those of the current theory inclusion.

Finally, the CTH module adds two the optional attributes conservativity and conservativity-just to the imports element for stating and justifying conservativity (see the discussion below).

4.2.2 Postulated Theory Inclusions

We have seen that inheritance via morphisms provides a powerful mechanism for structuring and re-using theories and contexts. It turns out that the distinguishing feature of theory morphisms is that all theory-constitutive elements of the source theory are valid in the target theory (possibly after translation). This can be generalized to obtain even more structuring relations and thus possibilities for reuse among theories. Before we go into the OMDoc infrastructure, we will briefly introduce the mathematical model (see e.g. [Hut00] for details).

A theory inclusion from a source theory \mathcal{S} to a target theory \mathcal{T} is a mapping σ from \mathcal{S} objects³⁰ to those of \mathcal{T} , such that for every theory-constitutive statement \mathbf{S} of \mathcal{S} , $\sigma(\mathbf{S})$ is provable in \mathcal{T} (we say that $\sigma(\mathbf{S})$ is a \mathcal{T} -theorem).

In OMDoc, we weaken this logical property to a structural one: We say that a theory-constitutive statement \mathbf{S} in theory \mathcal{S} is **structurally included** in theory \mathcal{T} via σ , if there is an assertional element \mathbf{T} in \mathcal{T} , such that the content of \mathbf{T} is $\sigma(\mathbf{S})$. Note that strictly speaking, σ is only defined on formulae, so that if a statement \mathbf{S} is only given by a CMP, $\sigma(\mathbf{S})$ is not defined. In such cases, we assume $\sigma(\mathbf{S})$ to contain a CMP element containing suitably translated mathematical vernacular.

Definition 4.5 In this view, a structural theory inclusion from S to T is a morphism $\sigma: S \to T$, such that every theory-constitutive element is structurally included in T.

 $^{^{30}}$ Mathematical objects that can be represented using the only symbols of the source theory \mathcal{S} .

Note that an imports element in a theory \mathcal{T} with source theory \mathcal{S} as discussed in Subsubsection 4.2.0 induces a theory inclusion from \mathcal{S} into \mathcal{T}^{31} (the theory-constitutive statements of \mathcal{S} are accessible in \mathcal{T} after translation and are therefore structurally included trivially). We call this kind of theory inclusion **definitional**, since it is a theory inclusion by virtue of the definition of the target theory. For all other theory inclusions (we call them **postulated**), we have to establish the theory inclusion property by proving the translations of the theory-constitutive statements of the source theory (we call these translated formulae **proof obligation**).

The benefit of a theory inclusion is that all theorems, proofs, and proof methods of the source theory can be used (after translation) in the target theory (see Subsubsection 4.2.3). Obviously, the transfer approach only depends on the theorem inclusion property, and we can extend its utility by augmenting the theory graph by more theory morphisms than just the definitional ones (see [FGT93] for a description of the IMPS theorem proving system that makes heavy use of this idea). We use the infrastructure presented in this chapter to structure a collection of theories as a graph — the **theory graph**— where the nodes are theories and the links are theory inclusions (definitional and postulated ones).

We call a theory inclusion $\sigma \colon \mathcal{S} \to \mathcal{T}$ conservative, iff \mathbf{A} is already a \mathcal{S} -theorem for all \mathcal{T} -theorems of the from $\sigma(\mathbf{A})$. If the morphism σ is the identity, then this means the local axioms in \mathcal{T} only affect the local symbols of \mathcal{T} , and do not the part inherited from \mathcal{S} . In particular, conservative extensions of consistent theories cannot be inconsistent. For instance, if all the local theory-constitutive elements in \mathcal{T} are symbol declarations with definitions, then conservativity is guaranteed by the special form of the definitions. We can specify conservativity of a theory inclusion via the conservativity. The values conservative and conservative are used for the two cases discussed above. There is a third value: conservative, which we will not explain here, but refer the reader to [MAH06].

Definition 4.6 OMDoc implements the concept of postulated theory inclusions in the top-level **theory-inclusion** element. It has the required attributes from and to, which point to the source-and target theories and contains a morphism child element as described above to define the translation function. A subsequent (possibly empty) set of obligation elements can be used to mark up proof obligations for the theory-constitutive elements of the source theory.

Definition 4.7 An **obligation** is an empty element whose **assertion** attribute points to an **assertion** element that states that the theory-constitutive statement specified by the **induced-by** (translated by the morphism in the parent **theory-inclusion**) is provable in the target theory. Note that a **theory-inclusion** element must contain **obligation** elements for all theory-constitutive elements (inherited or local) of the source theory to be correct.

Listing 29 shows a theory inclusion from the theory group defined in Listing 27 to itself. The morphism just maps each element of the base set to its inverse. A good application for this kind of theory morphism is to import claims for symmetric (e.g. with respect to the function inv, which serves as an involution in group) cases via this theory morphism to avoid explicitly having to prove them (see Subsubsection 4.2.3).

Listing 29: A Theory Inclusion for Groups

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 \begin{array}{l} < & \text{assertion } \times \text{ml}: \text{id} = \text{"conv.assoc"} > \forall x, y, z \in M.z \circ (y \circ x) = (z \circ y) \circ x < / \text{assertion} > \\ < & \text{assertion } \times \text{ml}: \text{id} = \text{"conv.closed" } \text{theory} = \text{"semigroup"} > \forall x, y \in M.y \circ x \in M < / \text{assertion} > \\ 3 & \text{cassertion } \times \text{ml}: \text{id} = \text{"left. unit" } \text{theory} = \text{"monoid"} > \forall x \in M.e \circ x = x < / \text{assertion} > \\ < & \text{assertion } \times \text{ml}: \text{id} = \text{"conv.inv" } \text{theory} = \text{"group"} > \forall x, y \in M.x \circ x^{-1} = e < / \text{assertion} > \\ < & \text{theory-inclusion } \times \text{ml}: \text{id} = \text{"grp-conv-grp" } \text{from} = \text{"#group" } \text{to} = \text{"#group"} > \\ & \text{conrphism} > \text{cequation} > X \circ Y \sim Y \circ X < / \text{requation} > < / \text{morphism} > \\ & \text{cobligation } \text{assertion} = \text{"#conv.closed" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#closed.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation } \text{assertion} = \text{"#conv.assoc" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#assoc.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation } \text{assertion} = \text{"#left.unit" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#unit.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation } \text{assertion} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation } \text{order} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"#conv.inv" } \text{induced-by} = \text{"#inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"inv.ax"} / > \\ & \text{cobligation} = \text{"inv
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theory-inclusion

obligation

³¹Note that in contrast to the inheritance relation induced by the imports elements the relation induced by general theory inclusions may be cyclic. A cycle just means that the theories participating in it are semantically equivalent.

4.2.3 Local- and Required Theory Inclusions

In some situations, we need to pose well-definedness conditions on theories, e.g. that a specification of a program follows a certain security model, or that a parameter theory used for actualization satisfies the assumptions made in the formal parameter theory; (see [Koh09a, Part IV] for a discussion). If these conditions are not met, the theory intuitively does not make sense. So rather than simply stating (or importing) these assumptions as theory-constitutive statements—which would make the theory inconsistent, when they are not met—they can be stated as well-definedness conditions. Usually, these conditions can be posited as theory inclusions, so checking these conditions is a purely structural matter, and comes into the realm of OMDoc's structural methods.

Definition 4.8 OMDoc provides the empty **inclusion** element for this purpose. It can occur anywhere as a child of a **theory** element and its via attribute points to a theory inclusion, which is required to hold in order for the parent theory to be well-defined.

inclusion

If we consider for instance the situation in Figure 32³². There we have a theory OrdList of lists that is generic in the elements (which is assumed to be a totally ordered set, since we want to talk about ordered lists). We want to to instantiate OrdList by applying it to the theory NatOrd of natural numbers and obtain a theory NatOrdList of lists of natural numbers by importing the theory OrdList in NatOrdList. This only makes sense, if NatOrd is a totally ordered set, so we add an inclusion element in the statement of theory NatOrdList that points to a theory inclusion of TOSet into OrdNat, which forces us to verify the axioms of TOSet in OrdNat.

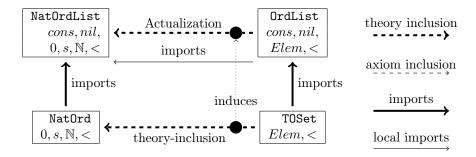


Figure 32: A Structured Specification of Lists (of Natural Numbers)

Furthermore note, that the inclusion of OrdList into NatOrdList should not include the TOSet axioms on orderings, since this would defeat the purpose of making them a precondition to well-definedness of the theory NatOrdList. Therefore OMDoc follows the "development graph model" put forward in [Hut00] and generalizes the notion of theory inclusions even further: A formula mapping between theories $\mathcal S$ and $\mathcal T$ is called a **local theory inclusion** or **axiom inclusion**, if the theory inclusion property holds for the local theory-constitutive statements of the source theory.

To distinguish this from the notion of a proper theory inclusion — where the theory inclusion property holds for all theory constitutive statements of \mathcal{S} (even the inherited ones) — we call the latter one **global**. Of course all global theory inclusions are also local ones, so that the new notion is a true generalization. Note that the structural inclusions of an axiom inclusion are not enough to justify translated source theorems in the target theory.

To allow for a local variant of inheritance, the CTH module adds an attribute type to the imports element. This can take the values global (the default) and local. In the latter case, only the theory-constitutive statements that are local to the source theory are imported.

Definition 4.9 Furthermore, the CTH module introduces the axiom-inclusion element for local

axiom-inclusion

³²This example is covered in detail in [Koh09a, Part IV].

theory inclusions. This has the same attributes as theory-inclusion: from to specify source theory, to for the target theory. It also allows obligation elements as children.

4.2.4 Induced Assertions and Expositions

The main motivation of theory inclusions is to be able to transport mathematical statements from the source theory to the target theory. In OMDoc, this operation can be made explicit by the attributes generated-from and generated-via that the module CTH adds to all mathematical statements. On a statement \mathbf{T} , the second attribute points to a theory inclusion σ whose target is (imported into the) current theory, the first attribute points to a statement \mathbf{S} in that theory which is of the same type (i.e. has the same OMDoc element name) as \mathbf{T} . The content of \mathbf{T} must be (equivalent to) the content of \mathbf{S} translated by the morphism of σ .

In the context of the theory inclusion in Listing 29, we might have the following situation:

Listing 30: Translating a Statement via a Theory Inclusion

```
<assertion xml:id="foo" type="theorem">...</assertion>

cproof xml:id="foo.pf" for="#foo">...</proof>
<assertion xml:id="target" induced-by="#foo" induced-via="#grp-conv-grp">
...
</assertion>
```

Here, the second assertion is induced by the first one via the theory inclusion in Listing 29, the statement of the theorem is about the inverses. In particular, the proof of the second theorem comes for free, since it can also be induced from the proof of the first one.

In particular we see that in OMDoc documents, not all statements are automatically generated by translation e.g. the proof of the second assertion is not explicitly stated. Mathematical knowledge management systems like knowledge bases might choose to do so, but at the document level we do not mandate this, as it would lead to an explosion of the document sizes. Of course we could cache the transformed proof giving it the same "cache attribute state".

Note that not only statements like assertions and proofs can be translated via theory inclusions, but also whole documents: Say that we have course materials for elementary algebra introducing monoids and groups via left units and left inverses, but want to use examples and exercises from a book that introduces them using right units and right inverses. Assuming that both are formalized in OMDoc, we can just establish a theory morphism much like the one in Listing 29. Then we can automatically translate the exercises and examples via this theory inclusion to our own setting by just applying the morphism to all formulae in the text³³ and obtain exercises and examples that mesh well with our introduction. Of course there is also a theory inclusion in the other direction, which is an inverse, so our colleague can reuse our course materials in his right-leaning setting.

Another example is the presence of different normalization factors in physics or branch cuts in elementary complex functions. In both cases there is a plethora of definitions, which all describe essentially the same objects (see e.g. [Bra+02] for an overview over the branch cut situation). Reading materials that are based on the "wrong" definition is a nuisance at best, and can lead to serious errors. Being able to adapt documents by translating them from the author theory to the user theory by a previously established theory morphism can alleviate both.

Mathematics and science are full of such situations, where objects can be viewed from different angles or in different representations. Moreover, no single representation is "better" than the other, since different views reveal or highlight different aspects of the object (see [KK06] for a systematic account). Theory inclusions seem uniquely suited to formalize the structure of different views in mathematics and their interplay, and the structural markup for theories in OMDoc seems an ideal platform for offering added-value services that feed on these structures without committing to a particular formalization or foundation of mathematics.

³³There may be problems, if mathematical statements are verbalized; this can currently not be translated directly, since it would involve language processing tools much beyond the content processing tools described in this book. For the moment, we assume that the materials are written in a controlled subset of mathematical vernacular that avoids these problems.

4.2.5 Development Graphs (Module DG)

The OMDoc module DG for development graphs complements module CTH with high-level justifications for the theory inclusions. Concretely, the module provides an infrastructure for dealing efficiently with the proof obligations induced by theory inclusions and forms the basis for a management of theory change. We anticipate that the elements introduced in this chapter will largely be hidden from the casual user of mathematical software systems, but will form the basis for high-level document- and mathematical knowledge management services.

Introduction As we have seen in the example in Listing 29, the burden of specifying an obligation element for each theory-constitutive element of the source theory can make the establishment of a theory inclusion quite cumbersome — theories high up in inheritance hierarchies can have a lot (often hundreds) of inherited, theory-constitutive statements. Even more problematically, such obligations are a source of redundancy and non-local dependencies, since many of the theory-constitutive elements are actually inherited from other theories.

Consider for instance the situation in Figure 33, where we are interested in the top theory inclusion Γ . On the basis of theories \mathcal{T}_1 and \mathcal{T}_2 , theory \mathcal{C}_1 is built up via theories \mathcal{A}_1 and \mathcal{B}_1 . Similarly, theory \mathcal{C}_2 is built up via \mathcal{A}_2 and \mathcal{B}_2 (in the latter, we have a non-trivial non-trivial morphism σ). Let us assume for the sake of this argument that for $\mathcal{X}_i \in \{\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}\}$ theories \mathcal{X}_1 and \mathcal{X}_2 are so similar that axiom inclusions (they are indicated by thin dashed arrows in Figure 33 and have the formula-mappings α , β , and γ) are easy to prove³⁴.

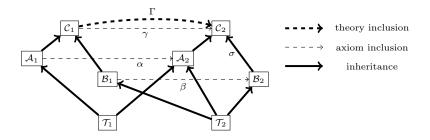


Figure 33: A Development Graph with Theory Inclusions

To justify Γ , we must prove that the Γ -translations of all the theory-constitutive statements of C_1 are provable in C_2 . So let statement \mathbf{B} be theory-constitutive for C_1 , say that it is local in \mathcal{B}_1 , then we already know that $\beta(\mathbf{B})$ is provable in \mathcal{B}_2 since β is an axiom inclusion. Moreover, we know that $\sigma(\beta(\mathbf{B}))$ is provable in C_2 , since σ is a (definitional, global) theory inclusion. So, if we have $\Gamma = \sigma \circ \beta$, then we are done for \mathbf{B} and in fact for all local statements of \mathcal{B}_1 , since the argument is independent of \mathbf{B} . Thus, we have established the existence of an axiom inclusion from \mathcal{B}_1 to C_2 simply by finding suitable inclusions and checking translation compatibility.

Definition 4.10 We will call a situation, where a theory \mathcal{T} can be reached by an axiom inclusion with a subsequent chain of theory inclusions a **local chain** (with morphism $\tau := \sigma_n \circ \cdots \circ \sigma_1 \circ \sigma$), if $\mathcal{S} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \mathcal{T}_1$ is an axiom inclusion or (local theory import) and $\mathcal{T}_i \xrightarrow{\sigma_i} \mathcal{T}_{i+1}$ are theory inclusions (or local theory import).

$$\mathcal{S} \xrightarrow[\sigma \to \sigma_1]{} \mathcal{T}_1 \xrightarrow[\sigma_1]{} \mathcal{T}_2 \xrightarrow[\sigma_2]{} \cdots \xrightarrow[\sigma_{n-1}]{} \mathcal{T}_n \xrightarrow[\sigma_n]{} \mathcal{T}$$

 $^{^{34}}$ A common source of situations like this is where the \mathcal{X}_2 are variants of the \mathcal{X}_1 theories. Here we might be interested whether \mathcal{C}_2 still proves the same theories (and often also in the converse theory inclusion Γ^{-1} that would prove that the variants are equivalent).

Note that by an argument like the one for **B** above, a local chain justifies an axiom inclusion from \mathcal{S} into \mathcal{T} : all the τ -translations of the local theory-constitutive statements in \mathcal{S} are provable in \mathcal{T} .

In our example in Figure 33 — given the obvious compatibility assumptions on the morphisms which we have not marked in the figure, — we can justify four new axiom inclusions from the theories \mathcal{T}_1 , \mathcal{T}_2 , \mathcal{A}_1 , and \mathcal{B}_1 into \mathcal{C}_2 by the following local chains³⁵.

$$\mathcal{T}_{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_{2} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \mathcal{C}_{2} \qquad \mathcal{B}_{1} \xrightarrow{---} \mathcal{B}_{2} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \mathcal{C}_{2}
\mathcal{T}_{1} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_{2} \qquad \mathcal{A}_{1} \xrightarrow{----} \mathcal{A}_{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_{2}$$

Thus, for each theory \mathcal{X} that \mathcal{C}_1 inherits from, there is an axiom inclusion into \mathcal{C}_2 . So for any theory-constitutive statement in \mathcal{C}_1 (it must be local in one of the \mathcal{X}) we know that it is provable in \mathcal{C}_2 ; in other words Γ is a theory inclusion if it is compatible with the morphisms of these axiom inclusions. We have depicted the situation in Figure 34.

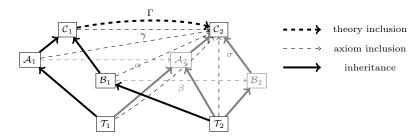


Figure 34: A Decomposition for the theory inclusion Γ

We call a situation where we have a formula mapping $\mathcal{S} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \mathcal{T}$, and an axiom inclusion $\mathcal{X} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathcal{T}$ for every theory \mathcal{X} that \mathcal{S} inherits from a **decomposition** for σ , if the $\sigma_{\mathcal{X}}$ and σ are compatible. As we have seen in the example above, a decomposition for σ can be used to justify that σ a theory inclusion: all theory-constitutive elements in \mathcal{S} are local in itself or one of the theories \mathcal{X} it inherits from. So if we have axiom inclusions from all of these to \mathcal{T} , then all obligations induced by them are justified and σ is indeed a theory inclusion.

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Definition 4.11 The DG module provides the **decomposition** element to model justification by decomposition situations. This empty element can occur at top-level or inside a **theory-inclusion** element.

decomposition

The decomposition element can occur as a child to a theory-inclusion element and carries the required attribute links that contains a whitespace-separated list of URI references to the axiom- and theory-inclusion elements that make up the decomposition situation justifying the parent theory-inclusion element. Note that the order of references in links is irrelevant. If the decomposition appears on top-level, then the optional for attribute must be used to point to the theory-inclusion it justifies. In this situation the decomposition element behaves towards a theory-inclusion much like a proof for an assertion.

Furthermore module DG provides path-just elements as children to the axiom-inclusion elements to justify that this relation holds, much like a proof element provides a justification for an assertion element for some property of mathematical objects.

Definition 4.12 A path-just element justifies an axiom-inclusion by reference to other axiom-inclustation by

 $^{^{35}}$ Note for the leftmost two chains use the fact that theory inclusions (in our case definitional ones) are also axiom inclusions by definition.

Element	Attributes		M	Content
	Required	Optional	D	
decomposition	links		_	EMPTY
path-just	local,	for	_	EMPTY
	globals			
theory-inclusion	from, to,	xml:id,	+	(CMP*,FMP*, morphism,
	by	class, style		(decomposition* obligation*))
axiom-inclusion	from, to	xml:id,	+	morphism?, (path-just*
		class, style		obligation*)

Figure 35: Development Graphs in OMDoc

or theory-inclusion elements. Local chains are encoded in the empty path-just element via the required attributes local (for the first axiom-inclusion) and the attribute globals attribute, which contains a whitespace-separated list of URI references to theory-inclusions. Note that the order of the references in the globals matters: they are ordered in order of the path in the local chain, i.e if we have globals="... #ref1 #ref2 ..." there must be theory inclusions σ_i with xml:id="refi", such that the target theory of σ_1 is the source theory of σ_2 .

Like the decomposition element, path-just can appear at top-level, if it specifies the axiom-inclusion it justifies in the (otherwise optional) for attribute.

Let us now fortify our intuition by casting the situation in Listings 31 to 4.2.5 in OMDoc syntax. Another — more mathematical — example is carried out in detail in [Koh09a, Part V].

Listing 31: The OMDoc representation of the theories in Figure 33.

```
<theory xml:id="t2">...</theory>
<theory xml:id="t1">...</theory>
<theory xml:id="a1">
                                          <theory xml:id="b1">
                                            <imports xml:id="imb1" from="#t2"/>
  <imports xml:id="ima1" from="#t1"/>
  <axiom xml:id="axa11">...</axiom>
                                             <axiom xml:id="axb11">...</axiom>
  <axiom xml:id="axa12">...</axiom>
                                           </theory>
</theory>
<theory xml:id="a2">
                                          <theory xml:id="b2">
  <imports xml:id="im1a2" from="#t1"/>
                                             <imports xml:id="imb2" from="#t2"/>
  <imports xml:id="im2a2" from="#t2"/>
  <axiom xml:id="axa21">...</axiom>
                                               <axiom xml:id="axb21">...</axiom>
</theory>
                                          </theory>
<theory xml:id="c1">
                                          <theory xml:id="c2">
  <imports xml:id="im1c1" from="#a1"/>
                                            <imports xml:id="im1c2" from="#a2"/>
                                            <imports xml:id="im2c2" from="#b2"/>
  <imports xml:id="im2c1" from="#b1"/>
                                              <axiom xml:id="axc21">...</axiom>
  <axiom xml:id="axc11">...</axiom>
                                          </theory>
```

Here we set up the theory structure with the theory inclusions given by the imports elements (without morphism to simplify the presentation). Note that these have xml:id attributes, since we need them to construct axiom- and theory inclusions later. We have also added axioms to induce proof obligations in the axiom inclusions:

Listing 32: The OMDoc Representation of the Inclusions in Figure 33.

We leave out the actual assertions that justify the obligations to conserve space. From the axiom inclusions, we can now build four more via path justifications:

Listing 33: The Induced Axiom Inclusions in Figure 33.

Note that we could also have justified the axiom inclusion t2ic with two local paths: via the theory \mathcal{A}_2 and via \mathcal{B}_2 (assuming the translations work out). These alternative justifications make the development graph more robust against change; if one fails, the axiom inclusion still remains justified. Finally, we can assemble all of this information into a decomposition that justifies the theory inclusion Γ :

5 Document Infrastructure (Module DOC)

Mathematical knowledge is largely communicated by way of a specialized set of documents (e.g. e-mails, letters, pre-prints, journal articles, and textbooks). These employ special notational conventions and visual representations to convey the mathematical knowledge reliably and efficiently.

When marking up mathematical knowledge, one always has the choice whether to mark up the structure of the document itself, or the structure of the mathematical knowledge that is conveyed in the document. Even though in most documents, the document structure is designed to help convey the structure of the knowledge, the two structures need not be the same. To frame the discussion we will distinguish two aspects of mathematical documents. In the *knowledge-centered view* we organize the mathematical knowledge by its function, and do not care about a way to present it to human recipients. In the *narrative-centered view* we are interested in the structure of the argument that is used to convey the mathematical knowledge to a human user.

We will call a document **knowledge-structured** and **narrative-structured**, based on which of the two aspects is prevalent in the organization of the material. Narrative-structured documents in mathematics are generally directed at human consumption (even without being in presentation markup). They have a general narrative structure: text interleaving with formal elements like assertions, proofs, ... Generally, the order of presentation plays a role in their effectiveness as a means of communication. Typical examples of this class are course materials or introductory textbooks. Knowledge-structured documents are generally directed at machine consumption or for referencing. They do not have a linear narrative spine and can be accessed randomly and even reordered without information loss. Typical examples of these are formula collections, OPENMATH content dictionaries, technical specifications, etc.

The distinction between knowledge-structured and narrative-structured documents is reminiscent of the presentation vs. content distinction discussed in , but now it is on the level of document structure. Note that mathematical documents are often in both categories: a mathematical textbook can be read from front to end, but it can also be used as a reference, accessing it by the index and the table of contents. The way humans work with knowledge also involves a change of state. When we are taught or explore a mathematical domain, we have a linear/narrative path through the material, from which we abstract more and more, finally settling for a semantic representation that is relatively independent from the path we acquired it by. Systems like ActiveMath (see [Koh09b, Part VI]) use the OMDoc format in exactly that way playing on the difference between the two classes and generating narrative-structured representations from knowledge-structured ones on the fly.

So, maybe the best way to think about this is that the question whether a document is narrative- or knowledge-structured is not a property of the document itself, but a property of the application processing this document.

OMDoc provides markup infrastructure for both aspects. In this chapter, we will discuss the infrastructure for the narrative aspect — for a working example we refer the reader to [Koh09a, Part VI]. We will look at markup elements for knowledge-structured documents in Section 3.

Even though the infrastructure for narrative aspects of mathematical documents is somewhat presentation-oriented, we will concentrate on content-markup for it. In particular, we will not concern ourselves with questions like font families, sizes, alignment, or positioning of text fragments. Like in most other XML applications, this kind of information can be specified in the CSS style and class attributes described in Subsection 1.3.

5.1 The Document Root

Definition 5.1 The XML root element of the OMDoc format is the **omdoc** element, it contains all other elements described here. We call an OMDoc element a **top-level element**, if it can appear as a direct child of the omdoc element. The omdoc element has an optional attribute xml:id that can be used to reference the whole document. The optional attribute version is used to specify the version of the OMDoc format the contens of the element conforms to. It is fixed to the string 1.6 by this specification. This will prevent validation with a different version

omdoc

of the DTD or schema, or processing with an application using a different version of the OMDoc specification. The (optional) attribute modules allows to specify the OMDoc modules that are used in this element. The value of this attribute is a whitespace-separated list of module identifiers (e.g. MOBJ the left column in Figure 4), OMDoc sub-language identifiers (see Figure ??), or URI references for externally given OMDoc modules or sub-language identifiers.³⁶ The intention is that if present, the modules specifies the list of all the modules used in the document (fragment). If a modules attribute is present, then it is an error, if the content of this element contains elements from a module that is not specified; spurious module declarations in the modules attributes are allowed.

Here and in the following we will use tables as the one in Figure 36 to give an overview over the respective OMDoc elements described in a chapter or section. The first column gives the element name, the second and third columns specify the required and optional attributes. We will use the fourth column labeled "MD" to indicate whether an OMDoc element can have a metadata child (see Definition ?????), which will be described in the next section. Finally the fifth column describes the content model — i.e. the allowable children — of the element. For this, we will use a form of Backus Naur form notation also used in the DTD: #PCDATA stands for "parsed character data", i.e. text intermixed with legal OMDoc elements.) A synopsis of all elements is provided in ?spec@table?.

Element	Attributes			Content	
	Required Optional		D		
omdoc	xml:id, type, class, style,		+	(\langle top-level \rangle) \rangle *	
		version, modules			
ref	xref	type, class, style	_		
ignore	type, comment		_	ANY	
where \(\langle top-level \rangle \) stands for top-level OMDoc elements					

Figure 36: OMDoc Elements for Specifying Document Structure.

5.2 Metadata

The World Wide Web was originally built for human consumption, and although everything on it is machine-readable, most of it is not machine-understandable. The accepted solution is to provide metadata (data about data) to describe the documents on the web in a machine-understandable format that can be processed automatically. Metadata commonly specifies aspects of a document like title, authorship, language usage, and administrative aspects like modification dates, distribution rights, and identifiers.

In general, metadata can either be embedded in the respective document, or be stated in a separate one. The first facilitates maintenance and control (metadata is always at your fingertips, and it can only be manipulated by the document's authors), the second one enables inference and distribution. OMDoc allows to embed metadata into the document, from where it can be harvested for external metadata formats, such as the XML resource description format (RDF [LS99]). We use one of the best-known metadata schemata for documents – the *Dublin Core* (cf. Subsection 1.5 and ?spec@dc-roles?). The purpose of annotating metadata in OMDoc is to facilitate the administration of documents, e.g. digital rights management, and to generate input for metadata-based tools, e.g. RDF-based navigation and indexing of document collections. Unlike most other document formats OMDoc allows to add metadata at many levels, also making use of the metadata for document-internal markup purposes to ensure consistency.

Definition 5.2 The **metadata** element contains elements for various metadata formats including bibliographic data from the Dublin Core vocabulary (as mentioned above), licensing information

metadata

 $^{^{36}}$ Allowing these external module references keeps the OMDoc format extensible. Like in the case with namespace URIs OMDoc do not mandate that these URI references reference an actual resource. They merely act as identifiers for the modules.

from the Creative Commons Initiative (see Subsection 1.6), as well as information for OPEN-MATH content dictionary management. Application-specific metadata elements can be specified by adding corresponding OMDoc modules that extend the content model of the metadata element.

The OMDoc metadata element can be used to provide information about the document as a whole (as the first child of the omdoc element), as well as about specific fragments of the document, and even about the top-level mathematical elements in OMDoc. This reinterpretation of bibliographic metadata as general data about knowledge items allows us to extract document fragments and re-assemble them to new aggregates without losing information about authorship, source, etc.

5.3 Document Comments

Many content markup formats rely on commenting the source for human understanding; in fact source comments are considered a vital part of document markup. However, as XML comments (i.e. anything between "<!-" and "->" in a document) need not even be read by some XML parsers, we cannot guarantee that they will survive any XML manipulation of the OMDoc source.

Therefore, anything that would normally go into comments should be modeled with an omtext element (type commentomtext, if it is a text-level comment; see Subsubsection 3.3.1) or with the ignore element for persistent comments, i.e. comments that survive processing.

Definition 5.3 The content of the **ignore** element can be any well-formed OMDoc, it can occur as an OMDoc top-level element or inside mathematical texts (see Subsection 3.2).

ignore

This element should be used if the author wants to comment the OMDoc representation, but the end user should not see their content in a final presentation of the document, so that OMDoc text elements are not suitable, e.g. in

```
<ignore type="todo" comment="this does not make sense yet, rework">
  <assertion xml:id="heureka">...</assertion>
  </ignore>
```

Of course, ignore elements can be nested, e.g. if we want to mark up the comment text (a pure string as used in the example above is not enough to express the mathematics). This might lead to markup like

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Example 5.4 Another good use of the ignore element is to use it as an analogon to the in-place error markup in OpenMath objects (see Subsection 2.4). In this case, we use the type attribute to specify the kind of error and the content for the faulty OMDoc fragment. Note that since the whole object must be XML valid. As a consequence, the ignore element can only be used for "mathematical errors" like sibling CMP or FMP elements that do not have the same meaning as in Listing 34. XML-well-formedness and validity errors will have to be handled by the XML tools involved.

Listing 34: Marking up Mathematical Errors Using ignore

 $^{^{43}\}mathrm{Old}$ Part: MK: cannot make this example any more, think of a new one

```
<CMP xml:lang="de">Der Beweis ist extrem schwer</CMP>
</assertion>
</ignore>
```

For another use of the ignore element, see Figure 37 in Subsection 5.4.

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5.4 Document Structure

Like other documents mathematical ones are often divided into units like chapters, sections, and paragraphs by tags and nesting information. OMDoc makes these document relations explicit by using the omdoc element with an optional attribute type. It can take the values

sequence for a succession of paragraphs. This is the default, and the normal way narrative texts are built up from paragraphs, mathematical statements, figures, etc. Thus, if no type is given the type sequence is assumed.

itemize for unordered lists. The children of this type of omdoc will usually be presented to the user as indented paragraphs preceded by a bullet symbol. Since the choice of this symbol is purely presentational, OMDoc use the CSS style or class attributes on the children to specify the presentation of the bullet symbols (see Subsection 1.3).

enumeration for ordered lists. The children of this type of omdoc are usually presented like unordered lists, only that they are preceded by a running number of some kind (e.g. "1.", "2."...or "a)", "b)"...; again the style or class attributes apply).

sectioning The children of this type of omdoc will be interpreted as sections. This means that the children will be usually numbered hierarchically, and their metadata will be interpreted as section heading information. For instance the metadata/dc:title information (see Subsection 1.5 for details) will be used as the section title. Note that OMDoc does not provide direct markup for particular hierarchical levels like "chapter", "section", or "paragraph", but assumes that these are determined by the application that presents the content to the human or specified using the CSS attributes.

Other values for the type attribute are also admissible, they should be URI references to documents explaining their intension.

We consider the omdoc element as an implicit omdoc, in order to allow plugging together the content of different OMDoc documents as omdocs in a larger document. Therefore, all the attributes of the omdoc element also appear on omdoc elements and behave exactly like those.

5.5 Sharing and Referring to Document Parts

Definition 5.5 As the document structure need not be a tree in hypertext documents, omdoc elements also allow empty ref elements whose xref attribute can be used to reference OMDoc elements defined elsewhere. The optional xml:id (its value must be document-unique) attribute identifies it and can be used for building reference labels for the included parts. Even though this attribute is optional, it is highly recommended to supply it. The type attribute can be used to describe the reference type. Currently OMDoc supports two values: include (the default) for in-text replacement and cite for a proper reference. The first kind of reference requires the OMDoc application to process the document as if the ref element were replaced with the OMDoc fragment specified in the xref. The processing of the type citeref is application specific. It is recommended to generate an appropriate label and (optionally) supply a hyper-reference. There may be more supported values for type in time.

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ref

Let R be a ref element of type include. We call the element the URI in the xref points to its target unless it is an omdoc element; in this case, the target is an omdoc element which has the

 $^{^{44}\}mathrm{Old}$ Part: reconsider this, we may change the omgroup element to omdoc

same children as the original omdoc element³⁷. We call the process of replacing a ref element by its target in a document ref reduction and the document resulting from the process of systematically and recursively reducing all the ref elements the ref-normal form of the source document. Note that ref-normalization may not always be possible, e.g. if the ref-targets do not exist or are inaccessible — or worse yet, if the relation given by the ref elements is cyclic. Moreover, even if it is possible to ref-normalize, this may not lead to a valid OMDoc document, e.g. since ID type attributes that were unique in the target documents are no longer in the ref-reduced one. We will call a document ref reducible, iff its ref-normal form exists, and ref valid, iff the ref normal form exists and is a valid OMDoc document.

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Note that it may make sense to use documents that are not ref-valid for narrative-centered documents, such as courseware or slides for talks that only allude to, but do not fully specify the knowledge structure of the mathematical knowledge involved. For instance the slides discussed in [Koh09a, ??] do not contain the theory elements that would be needed to make the documents ref-valid.

The ref elements also allow to "flatten" the tree structure in a document into a list of leaves and relation declarations (see Figure 37 for an example). It also makes it possible to have more than one view on a document using omdoc structures that reference a shared set of OMDoc elements. Note that we have embedded the ref-targets of the top-level omdoc element into an ignore comment, so that an OMDoc transformation (e.g. to text form) does not encounter the same content twice.

```
<omdoc xml:id="text" type="sequence">
<omdoc xml:id="text"</pre>
        type="sequence">
                                              <ref xref="#t1"/>
  <omtext\timesml:id="t1">T_1</omtext>
                                              <ref xref="#enum"/>
  <omdoc xml:id="enum"
                                              <ref ×ref="#t4"/>
           type="enumeration">
                                            </omdoc>
    <omtext xml:id="t2">T_2</omtext>
    <omtext xml:id="t3">T_3</omtext>
                                            <ignore type="targets"
  </omdoc>
                                                   comment="already referenced">
                                              <omtext xml:id="t1">T_1 </omtext><comtext xml:id="t2">T_2 </omtext>
  <omtext xml:id="t4">T_4</omtext>
</ordoc>
                                              <mtext xml:id="t3">T_3
                                              <omtext xml:id="t4">T_4</omtext>
                                              <omdoc xml:id="enum"
                                                      type="enumeration">
                                                <ref xref="#t2"/>
                                                <ref ×ref="#t3"/>
                                              </omdoc>
                                            </ignore>
```

Figure 37: Flattening a Tree Structure

While the OMDoc approach to specifying document structure is a much more flexible (database-like) approach to representing structured documents³⁸ than the tree model, it puts a much heavier load on a system for presenting the text to humans. In essence the presentation system must be able to recover the left representation from the right one in Figure 37. Generally, any OMDoc element defines a fragment of the OMDoc it is contained in: everything between the start and end tags and (recursively) those elements that are reached from it by following the cross-references

³⁷This transformation is necessary, since OMDoc does not allow to nest omdoc elements, which would be the case if we allowed verbatim replacement for omdoc elements. As we have stated above, the omdoc has an implicit omdoc element, and thus behaves like one.

 $^{^{38}}$ The simple tree model is sufficient for simple markup of existing mathematical texts and to replay them verbatim in a browser, but is insufficient e.g. for generating individualized presentations at multiple levels of abstractions from the representation. The OMDoc text model — if taken to its extreme — allows to specify the respective role and contributions of smaller text units, even down to the sub-sentence level, and to make the structure of mathematical texts machine-understandable. Thus, an advanced presentation engine like the ActiveMath system [Sie+00] can — for instance — extract document fragments based on the preferences of the respective user.

specified in ref elements. In particular, the text fragment corresponding to the element with xml:id="text" in the right OMDoc of Figure 37 is just the one on the left.⁴⁵

EdN:45

In Subsection 1.3 we have introduced the CSS attributes style and class, which are present on all OMDoc elements. In the case of the ref element, there is a problem, since the content of these can be incompatible. In general, the rule for determining the style information for an element is that we treat the replacement element as if it were a child of the ref element, and then determine the values of the CSS properties of the ref element by inheritance.

5.6 Abstract Documents

Definition 5.6 To be able to support abstract documents that can be concretized, OMDoc supplies the **docalt**⁴⁶ element that groups alternative document fragments so that the presentation process can chose among them.

docalt EdN:46

Example 5.7 One very simple example is to group language variants³⁹ using the optional xml:lang attribute to specify the language they are written in. Conforming with the XML recommendation, we use the ISO 639 two-letter country codes (de $\hat{=}$ German, en $\hat{=}$ English, fr $\hat{=}$ French, nl $\hat{=}$ Dutch, ...). If no xml:lang is given, then en is assumed as the default value.

Listing 35: A Multilingual Group of CMP Elements

```
<omtext>
      Let <om:OMV id="set"name="V"/> be a set.
      A <term role="definiendum">unary operation</term> on
       <om:OMR href="\#set"/> is a function <om:OMV id="fun" name="F"/> with
      <om:OMA id="im">
         <om:OMS cd="relations1" name="eq"/>
         <om:OMA><om:OMS cd="fns1" name="domain"/><om:OMV name="F"/></om:OMA>
        <om:OMV name="V"/>
       </om:OMA>
      <om:OMA id="ran">
        <om:OMS cd="relations1" name="eq"/>
        <om:OMA><om:OMS cd="fns1" name="range"/><om:OMV name="F"/></om:OMA>
         <om:OMV name="V"/>
       </om:OMA>.
     </omtext>
16
     <omtext xml:lang="de">
       Sei <om:OMR href="#set"/> eine Menge.
      Eine <term role="definiendum">unäre Operation</term>
       ist eine Funktion <om:OMR href="#fun"/>, so dass
       <om:OMR href="#im"/> und <om:OMR href="#ran"/>
21
     </omtext>
     <omtext xml:lang="fr">
       Soit <om:OMR href="#set"/> un ensemble.
       Une <term role="definiendum">opération unaire</term> sûr
       <om:OMR href="#set"/> est une fonction <om:OMR href="#fun"/>
26
      avec <om:OMR href="#im"/> et <om:OMR href="#ran"/>.
     </orntext>
```

Listing 35 shows an example of a multilingual group. Here, the OPENMATH extension by DAG representation (see Subsubsection 2.1.0) facilitates multi-language support: Only the language-dependent parts of the text have to be rewritten, the (language-independent) formulae can simply be re-used by cross-referencing.

5.7 Frontmatter and Backmatter

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 $^{^{45}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: make the model of first normalizing and then presentation and what this entais. cf. the TRAC issues.

 $^{^{46}\}mathrm{EdNote}$: name is provisional, Christine will develop this more fully

 $^{^{39}}$ i.e. all the document fragments in this group are direct translations of each other.

⁴⁷EdNote: describe index and tableofcontents, and backport it to OMDoc1.3

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