

# 1 The Vanilla System

First, we present the top-level system, which is easy to understand.

## 1.1 Grammar

$P, Q$	$::=$	positive types
	$\alpha^+$	
	$\downarrow N$	
	$\exists \alpha^-. P$	
$N, M$	$::=$	negative types
	$\alpha^-$	
	$\uparrow P$	
	$\forall \alpha^+. N$	
	$P \rightarrow N$	

## 1.2 Declarative Subtyping

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_0^{\leq} M}$  Negative equivalence

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash N \leq_0 M \quad \Gamma \vdash M \leq_0 N}{\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_0^{\leq} M} \text{ D0NDEF}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_0^{\leq} Q}$  Positive equivalence

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_0 Q \quad \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_0 P}{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_0^{\leq} Q} \text{ D0PDEF}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash N \leq_0 M}$  Negative subtyping

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_0 \alpha^-} \quad \text{D0NVAR} \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_0^{\leq} Q}{\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P \leq_0 \uparrow Q} \quad \text{D0SHIFTU} \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \quad \Gamma \vdash [P/\alpha^+]N \leq_0 M \quad M \neq \forall \beta^+. M'}{\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \leq_0 M} \quad \text{D0FORALLL} \\ \frac{\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash N \leq_0 M}{\Gamma \vdash N \leq_0 \forall \alpha^+. M} \quad \text{D0FORALLR} \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_0 Q \quad \Gamma \vdash N \leq_0 M}{\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N \leq_0 Q \rightarrow M} \quad \text{D0ARROW} \end{array}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_0 Q}$  Positive supertyping

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_0 \alpha^+} \quad \text{D0PVAR} \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_0^{\leq} M}{\Gamma \vdash \downarrow N \geq_0 \downarrow M} \quad \text{D0SHIFTD} \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash N \quad \Gamma \vdash [N/\alpha^-]P \geq_0 Q \quad Q \neq \exists \alpha^-. Q'}{\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. P \geq_0 Q} \quad \text{D0EXISTSL} \\ \frac{\Gamma, \alpha^- \vdash P \geq_0 Q}{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_0 \exists \alpha^-. Q} \quad \text{D0EXISTSR} \end{array}$$

# 2 Multi-Quantified System

## 2.1 Grammar

$P, Q$	$::=$	multi-quantified positive types
	$\alpha^+$	
	$\downarrow N$	
	$\exists \alpha^+. P$	$P \neq \exists \dots$
	$(P)$	S
$N, M$	$::=$	multi-quantified negative types
	$\alpha^-$	
	$\uparrow P$	
	$P \rightarrow N$	
	$\forall \alpha^+. N$	$N \neq \forall \dots$
	$(N)$	S

## 2.2 Declarative Subtyping

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M}$  Negative equivalence on MQ types

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M \quad \Gamma \vdash M \leq_1 N}{\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M} \quad (\simeq_1^\leq -)$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q}$  Positive equivalence on MQ types

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 Q \quad \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P}{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q} \quad (\simeq_1^\leq +)$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M}$  Negative subtyping

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 \alpha^-} \quad (\text{VAR}^- \leq_1) \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q}{\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P \leq_1 \uparrow Q} \quad (\uparrow \leq_1) \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 Q \quad \Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M}{\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N \leq_1 Q \rightarrow M} \quad (\rightarrow \leq_1) \\ \frac{\text{fv } N \cap \vec{\beta}^+ = \emptyset \quad \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash P_i \quad \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\vec{P}/\alpha^+] N \leq_1 M}{\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \leq_1 \forall \vec{\beta}^+. M} \quad (\forall \leq_1) \end{array}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 Q}$  Positive supertyping

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 \alpha^+} \quad (\text{VAR}^+ \geq_1) \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M}{\Gamma \vdash \downarrow N \geq_1 \downarrow M} \quad (\downarrow \geq_1) \\ \frac{\text{fv } P \cap \vec{\beta}^- = \emptyset \quad \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash N_i \quad \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash [\vec{N}/\alpha^-] P \geq_1 Q}{\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. P \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q} \quad (\exists \geq_1) \end{array}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^\leq \sigma_2 : \Gamma_1}$  Equivalence of substitutions

## 2.3 Declarative Equivalence

$\boxed{N \simeq_1^D M}$  Negative multi-quantified type equivalence

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\alpha^- \simeq_1^D \alpha^-} \quad (\text{VAR}^- \simeq_1^D) \\ \frac{P \simeq_1^D Q}{\uparrow P \simeq_1^D \uparrow Q} \quad (\uparrow \simeq_1^D) \\ \frac{P \simeq_1^D Q \quad N \simeq_1^D M}{P \rightarrow N \simeq_1^D Q \rightarrow M} \quad (\rightarrow \simeq_1^D) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\vec{\alpha}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M = \emptyset \quad \mu : (\vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \leftrightarrow (\vec{\alpha}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N) \quad N \simeq_1^D [\mu]M}{\forall \vec{\alpha}^+. N \simeq_1^D \forall \vec{\beta}^+. M} \quad (\forall \simeq_1^D)$$

$\boxed{P \simeq_1^D Q}$  Positive multi-quantified type equivalence

$$\frac{\overline{\alpha^+ \simeq_1^D \alpha^+} \quad (\text{VAR}^+ \simeq_1^D) \quad \frac{N \simeq_1^D M}{\downarrow N \simeq_1^D \downarrow M} \quad (\downarrow \simeq_1^D)}{\frac{\vec{\alpha}^- \cap \mathbf{fv} Q = \emptyset \quad \mu : (\vec{\beta}^- \cap \mathbf{fv} Q) \leftrightarrow (\vec{\alpha}^- \cap \mathbf{fv} P) \quad P \simeq_1^D [\mu]Q}{\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. P \simeq_1^D \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q}} \quad (\exists \simeq_1^D)$$

$\boxed{P \simeq Q}$

## 3 Algorithm

### 3.1 Normalization

#### 3.1.1 Ordering

$\boxed{\text{ord vars in } N = \vec{\alpha}}$

$$\frac{\alpha^- \in \text{vars}}{\text{ord vars in } \alpha^- = \alpha^-} \quad (\text{VAR}_{\in}^-)$$

$$\frac{\alpha^- \notin \text{vars}}{\text{ord vars in } \alpha^- = \cdot} \quad (\text{VAR}_{\notin}^-)$$

$$\frac{\text{ord vars in } P = \vec{\alpha}}{\text{ord vars in } \uparrow P = \vec{\alpha}} \quad (\uparrow)$$

$$\frac{\text{ord vars in } P = \vec{\alpha}_1 \quad \text{ord vars in } N = \vec{\alpha}_2}{\text{ord vars in } P \rightarrow N = \vec{\alpha}_1, (\vec{\alpha}_2 \setminus \vec{\alpha}_1)} \quad (\rightarrow)$$

$$\frac{\text{vars} \cap \vec{\alpha}^+ = \emptyset \quad \text{ord vars in } N = \vec{\alpha}}{\text{ord vars in } \forall \vec{\alpha}^+. N = \vec{\alpha}} \quad (\forall)$$

$\boxed{\text{ord vars in } P = \vec{\alpha}}$

$$\frac{\alpha^+ \in \text{vars}}{\text{ord vars in } \alpha^+ = \alpha^+} \quad (\text{VAR}_{\in}^+)$$

$$\frac{\alpha^+ \notin \text{vars}}{\text{ord vars in } \alpha^+ = \cdot} \quad (\text{VAR}_{\notin}^+)$$

$$\frac{\text{ord vars in } N = \vec{\alpha}}{\text{ord vars in } \downarrow N = \vec{\alpha}} \quad (\downarrow)$$

$$\frac{\text{vars} \cap \vec{\alpha}^- = \emptyset \quad \text{ord vars in } P = \vec{\alpha}}{\text{ord vars in } \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. P = \vec{\alpha}} \quad (\exists)$$

$\boxed{\text{ord vars in } N = \vec{\alpha}}$

$$\frac{}{\text{ord vars in } \hat{\alpha}^- = \cdot} \quad (\text{UVAR}^-)$$

$\boxed{\text{ord vars in } P = \vec{\alpha}}$

$$\frac{}{\text{ord vars in } \hat{\alpha}^+ = \cdot} \quad (\text{UVAR}^+)$$

### 3.1.2 Quantifier Normalization

$$\boxed{\mathbf{nf}(N) = M}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\mathbf{nf}(\alpha^-) = \alpha^-} \quad (\text{VAR}^-) \\ \frac{\mathbf{nf}(P) = Q}{\mathbf{nf}(\uparrow P) = \uparrow Q} \quad (\uparrow) \\ \frac{\mathbf{nf}(P) = Q \quad \mathbf{nf}(N) = M}{\mathbf{nf}(P \rightarrow N) = Q \rightarrow M} \quad (\rightarrow) \\ \frac{\mathbf{nf}(N) = N' \quad \text{ord } \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \text{ in } N' = \overrightarrow{\alpha^+}'}{\mathbf{nf}(\forall \overrightarrow{\alpha^+}.N) = \forall \overrightarrow{\alpha^+}'.N'} \quad (\forall) \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{nf}(P) = Q}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\mathbf{nf}(\alpha^+) = \alpha^+} \quad (\text{VAR}^+) \\ \frac{\mathbf{nf}(N) = M}{\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow N) = \downarrow M} \quad (\downarrow) \\ \frac{\mathbf{nf}(P) = P' \quad \text{ord } \overrightarrow{\alpha^-} \text{ in } P' = \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}'}{\mathbf{nf}(\exists \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}.P) = \exists \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}'.P'} \quad (\exists) \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{nf}(N) = M}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{nf}(P) = Q}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{nf}(\hat{\alpha}^-) = \hat{\alpha}^-} \quad (\text{UVAR}^-)$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{nf}(\hat{\alpha}^+) = \hat{\alpha}^+} \quad (\text{UVAR}^+)$$

### 3.2 Unification

$$\boxed{\Theta \models N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \quad \text{Negative unification}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Theta \models \alpha^- \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \alpha^- \Rightarrow \cdot} \quad \text{UNVAR} \\ \frac{\Theta \models P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Theta \models \uparrow P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \uparrow Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \quad \text{USHIFTU} \\ \frac{\Theta \models P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_1 \quad \Theta \models N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_2}{\Theta \models P \rightarrow N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \rightarrow M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_1 \ \& \ \hat{\sigma}_2} \quad \text{UARROW} \\ \frac{\Theta \models N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Theta \models \forall \overrightarrow{\alpha^+}.N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \forall \overrightarrow{\alpha^+}.M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \quad \text{UFORALL} \\ \frac{\hat{\alpha}^-\{\Delta\} \in \Theta \quad \Delta \vdash N}{\Theta \models \hat{\alpha}^- \stackrel{u}{\simeq} N \Rightarrow (\Delta \vdash \hat{\alpha}^- : \approx N)} \quad \text{UNUVAR} \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\Theta \models P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \quad \text{Positive unification}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Theta \models \alpha^+ \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \alpha^+ \Rightarrow \cdot} \quad \text{UPVAR} \\ \frac{\Theta \models N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Theta \models \downarrow N \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \downarrow M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \quad \text{USHIFTD} \\ \frac{\Theta \models P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Theta \models \exists \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}.P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \exists \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}.Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \quad \text{UEXISTS} \\ \frac{\hat{\alpha}^+\{\Delta\} \in \Theta \quad \Delta \vdash P}{\Theta \models \hat{\alpha}^+ \stackrel{u}{\simeq} P \Rightarrow (\Delta \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P)} \quad \text{UPUVAR} \end{array}$$

### 3.3 Algorithmic Subtyping

$\boxed{\Gamma; \Theta \models N \leq M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}$  Negative subtyping

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \alpha^- \leq \alpha^- \Rightarrow \cdot} \text{ANVAR} \\
\frac{\Theta \models \mathbf{nf}(P) \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \mathbf{nf}(Q) \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \uparrow P \leq \uparrow Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \text{ASHIFTU} \\
\frac{\Gamma; \Theta \models P \geq Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_1 \quad \Gamma; \Theta \models N \leq M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_2}{\Gamma; \Theta \models P \rightarrow N \leq Q \rightarrow M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_1 \& \hat{\sigma}_2} \text{AARROW} \\
\frac{\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+; \Theta, \vec{\alpha}^+ \{ \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \} \models [\vec{\alpha}^+ / \alpha^+] N \leq M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \forall \alpha^+. N \leq \forall \beta^+. M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma} \setminus \vec{\alpha}^+} \text{AFORALL}
\end{array}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma; \Theta \models P \geq Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}$  Positive supertyping

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \alpha^+ \geq \alpha^+ \Rightarrow \cdot} \text{APVAR} \\
\frac{\Theta \models \mathbf{nf}(N) \stackrel{u}{\simeq} \mathbf{nf}(M) \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \downarrow N \geq \downarrow M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \text{ASHIFTD} \\
\frac{\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-; \Theta, \vec{\alpha}^- \{ \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \} \models [\vec{\alpha}^- / \alpha^-] P \geq Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \exists \alpha^-. P \geq \exists \beta^-. Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}} \text{AEXISTS} \\
\frac{\text{upgrade } \Gamma \vdash P \text{ to } \Delta = Q}{\Gamma; \Theta \models \hat{\alpha}^+ \{ \Delta \} \geq P \Rightarrow (\Delta \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq Q)} \text{APUVAR}
\end{array}$$

### 3.4 Unification Solution Merge

Unification solution is represented by a list of unification solution entries. Each entry restrict an unification variable in two possible ways: either stating that it must be equivalent to a certain type ( $\Delta \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P$  or  $\Delta \vdash \hat{\alpha}^- : \approx N$ ) or that it must be a (positive) supertype of a certain type ( $\Delta \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq P$ ).

**Definition 1** (Matching Entries). *We call two entries matching if they are restricting the same unification variable.*

Two matching entries can be merged in the following way:

**Definition 2.**

$\boxed{e_1 \& e_2 = e_3}$  Unification Solution Entry Merge

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\Gamma \vdash P_1 \vee P_2 = Q}{(\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq P_1) \& (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq P_2) = (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq Q)} (\geq \& \geq) \\
\frac{\Gamma; \cdot \models P \geq Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}'}{(\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P) \& (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq Q) = (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P)} (\simeq \& \geq) \\
\frac{\Gamma; \cdot \models Q \geq P \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}'}{(\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \geq P) \& (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx Q) = (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx Q)} (\geq \& \simeq) \\
\frac{}{(\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P) \& (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P) = (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^+ : \approx P)} (\simeq \& \simeq^+) \\
\frac{}{(\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^- : \approx N) \& (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^- : \approx N) = (\Gamma \vdash \hat{\alpha}^- : \approx N)} (\simeq \& \simeq^-)
\end{array}$$

To merge two unification solution, we merge each pair of matching entries, and unite the results.

**Definition 3.**  $\hat{\sigma}_1 \& \hat{\sigma}_2 = \{e_1 \& e_2 \mid e_1 \in \hat{\sigma}_1, e_2 \in \hat{\sigma}_2, \text{ s.t. } e_1 \text{ matches with } e_2\}$

$\cup \{e_1 \mid e_1 \in \hat{\sigma}_1, \text{ s.t. } \forall e_2 \in \hat{\sigma}_2, e_1 \text{ does not match with } e_2\}$

$\cup \{e_2 \mid e_2 \in \hat{\sigma}_2, \text{ s.t. } \forall e_1 \in \hat{\sigma}_1, e_2 \text{ does not match with } e_2\}$

### 3.5 Least Upper Bound

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash P_1 \vee P_2 = Q}$     Least Upper Bound (Least Common Supertype)

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \vee \alpha^+ = \alpha^+} \quad (\text{VAR}^\vee) \\[10pt] \frac{\Gamma, \cdot \vdash \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow N) \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M) \Rightarrow (\Xi, P, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{\Gamma \vdash \downarrow N \vee \downarrow M = \exists \alpha^{\rightarrow} . [\alpha^{\rightarrow} / \Xi] P} \quad (\downarrow^\vee) \\[10pt] \frac{\Gamma, \alpha^{\rightarrow}, \beta^{\rightarrow} \vdash P_1 \vee P_2 = Q}{\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^{\rightarrow} . P_1 \vee \exists \beta^{\rightarrow} . P_2 = Q} \quad (\exists^\vee) \end{array}$$

$\boxed{\text{upgrade } \Gamma \vdash P \text{ to } \Delta = Q}$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma = \Delta, \alpha^{\pm} \quad \beta^{\pm} \text{ is fresh} \quad \gamma^{\pm} \text{ is fresh} \\ \Delta, \beta^{\pm}, \gamma^{\pm} \vdash [\beta^{\pm} / \alpha^{\pm}] P \vee [\gamma^{\pm} / \alpha^{\pm}] P = Q \end{array}}{\text{upgrade } \Gamma \vdash P \text{ to } \Delta = Q} \quad (\text{UPG})$$

### 3.6 Antiunification

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \alpha^+ \Rightarrow (\cdot, \alpha^+, \cdot, \cdot)} \quad \text{AUPVAR} \\[10pt] \frac{\Gamma \vdash N_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} N_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, M, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{\Gamma \vdash \downarrow N_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \downarrow N_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, \downarrow M, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)} \quad \text{AUPSHIFT} \\[10pt] \frac{\alpha^{\rightarrow} \cap \Gamma = \emptyset \quad \Gamma \vdash P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^{\rightarrow} . P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \exists \alpha^{\rightarrow} . P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, \exists \alpha^{\rightarrow} . Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)} \quad \text{AUPEXISTS} \end{array}$$

$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash N_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} N_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, M, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \alpha^- \Rightarrow (\Xi, \alpha^-, \cdot, \cdot)} \quad \text{AUNVAR} \\[10pt] \frac{\Gamma \vdash P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \uparrow P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, \uparrow Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)} \quad \text{AUNSHIFT} \\[10pt] \frac{\Gamma \vdash P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi_1, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2) \quad \Gamma \vdash N_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} N_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi_2, M, \hat{\tau}'_1, \hat{\tau}'_2)}{\Gamma \vdash P_1 \rightarrow N_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \rightarrow N_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi_1 \cup \Xi_2, Q \rightarrow M, \hat{\tau}_1 \cup \hat{\tau}'_1, \hat{\tau}_2 \cup \hat{\tau}'_2)} \quad \text{AUNARROW} \\[10pt] \frac{\text{if any other rule is not applicable} \quad \Gamma \vdash N \quad \Gamma \vdash M}{\Gamma \vdash N \stackrel{a}{\simeq} M \Rightarrow (\hat{\alpha}_{\{N,M\}}^-, \hat{\alpha}_{\{N,M\}}^-, (\hat{\alpha}_{\{N,M\}}^- : \approx N), (\hat{\alpha}_{\{N,M\}}^- : \approx M))} \quad \text{AUNAU} \end{array}$$

## 4 Proofs

### 4.1 Declarative Subtyping

**Lemma 1** (Free Variable Propagation). *In the judgments of negative subtyping or positive supertyping, free variables propagate left-to-right. For a context  $\Gamma$ ,*

- $-$  if  $\Gamma \vdash N \leqslant_1 M$  then  $\mathbf{fv}(N) \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(M)$
- $+$  if  $\Gamma \vdash P \geqslant_1 Q$  then  $\mathbf{fv}(P) \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(Q)$

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $\Gamma \vdash N \leqslant_1 M$  and  $\Gamma \vdash P \geqslant_1 Q$ .

**Case 1.**  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leqslant_1 \alpha^-$

It is self-evident that  $\alpha^- \subseteq \alpha^-$ .

**Case 2.**  $\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P \leqslant_1 \uparrow Q$  From the inversion (and unfolding  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^< Q$ ), we have  $\Gamma \vdash P \geqslant_1 Q$ . Then by the induction hypothesis,  $\mathbf{fv}(P) \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(Q)$ . The desired inclusion holds, since  $\mathbf{fv}(\uparrow P) = \mathbf{fv}(P)$  and  $\mathbf{fv}(\uparrow Q) = \mathbf{fv}(Q)$ .

**Case 3.**  $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N \leq_1 Q \rightarrow M$  The induction hypothesis applied to the premises gives:  $\mathbf{fv}(P) \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(Q)$  and  $\mathbf{fv}(N) \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(M)$ . Then  $\mathbf{fv}(P \rightarrow N) = \mathbf{fv}(P) \cup \mathbf{fv}(N) \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(Q) \cup \mathbf{fv}(M) = \mathbf{fv}(Q \rightarrow M)$ .

**Case 4.**  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \leq_1 \forall \beta^+. M$   
 $\mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+. N \subseteq \mathbf{fv}([\vec{P}/\alpha^+]N) \setminus \beta^+$  here  $\beta^+$  is excluded by the premise  $\mathbf{fv} N \cap \beta^+ = \emptyset$   
 $\subseteq \mathbf{fv} M \setminus \beta^+$  by the induction hypothesis,  $\mathbf{fv}([\vec{P}/\alpha^+]N) \subseteq \mathbf{fv} M$   
 $\subseteq \mathbf{fv} \forall \beta^+. M$

**Case 5.** The positive cases are symmetric. □

**Corollary 1** (Free Variables of mutual subtypes).

- If  $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1 M$  then  $\mathbf{fv} N = \mathbf{fv} M$ ,
- + If  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1 Q$  then  $\mathbf{fv} P = \mathbf{fv} Q$

**Lemma 2** (Subtypes and supertypes of a variable). *Assuming  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^-$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash N$ , and  $\Gamma \vdash P$ ,*

- + if  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 \alpha^+$  or  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 P$  then  $P = \exists \alpha^+. \alpha^+$  (for some potentially empty  $\alpha^+$ )
- if  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 \alpha^-$  or  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 N$  then  $N = \forall \alpha^+. \alpha^-$  (for some potentially empty  $\alpha^+$ )

*Proof.* We prove by induction on the tree inferring  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 \alpha^+$  or  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 P$  or  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 \alpha^-$  or  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 N$ . Let us consider which of these judgments the tree is inferring.

**Case 1.**  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 \alpha^+$

If the size of the inference tree is 1 then the only rule that can infer it is Rule  $(\text{Var}^{+ \geq_1})$ , which implies that  $P = \alpha^+$ .

If the size of the inference tree is  $> 1$  then the last rule inferring it must be Rule  $(\exists \geq_1)$ . By inverting this rule,  $P = \exists \alpha^+. P'$  where  $P'$  does not start with  $\exists$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\alpha^+]P' \geq_1 \alpha^+$  for some  $\Gamma, \beta^- \vdash N_i$ .

By the induction hypothesis,  $[\vec{N}/\alpha^+]P' = \exists \beta^+. \alpha^+$ . Notice that  $P'$  must be a variable, because  $P'$  does not start with  $\exists$ , nor does it start with  $\uparrow$  (otherwise,  $[\vec{N}/\alpha^+]P'$  would also started with  $\uparrow$  and would not be equal to  $\exists \beta^+. \alpha^+$ ). Since  $P'$  is a *positive* variable,  $[\vec{N}/\alpha^+]P' = P'$ , and then  $P' = \exists \beta^+. \alpha^+$  means that  $P' = \alpha^+$ . This way,  $P = \exists \alpha^+. P' = \exists \alpha^+. \alpha^+$ , as required.

**Case 2.**  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 P$

If the size of the inference tree is 1 then the only rule that can infer it is Rule  $(\text{Var}^{+ \geq_1})$ , which implies that  $P = \alpha^+$ .

If the size of the inference tree is  $> 1$  then the last rule inferring it must be Rule  $(\exists \geq_1)$ . By inverting this rule,  $P = \exists \beta^+. Q$  where  $\Gamma, \beta^- \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 Q$ .

By the induction hypothesis,  $Q = \exists \beta'^+. \alpha^+$ . This way,  $P = \exists \beta^+. Q = \exists \beta^+. \exists \beta'^+. \alpha^+$ , as required.

**Case 3.** The negative cases ( $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 \alpha^-$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 N$ ) are proved analogously. □

**Corollary 2** (Variables have no proper subtypes and supertypes). *Assuming that all mentioned types are well-formed in  $\Gamma$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 \alpha^+ &\iff P = \exists \beta^+. \alpha^+ \iff \Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1 \alpha^+ \iff P \simeq_1^D \alpha^+ \\ \Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 P &\iff P = \exists \beta^+. \alpha^+ \iff \Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1 \alpha^+ \iff P \simeq_1^D \alpha^+ \\ \Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 \alpha^- &\iff N = \forall \beta^+. \alpha^- \iff \Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1 \alpha^- \iff N \simeq_1^D \alpha^- \\ \Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 N &\iff N = \forall \beta^+. \alpha^- \iff \Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1 \alpha^- \iff N \simeq_1^D \alpha^- \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Notice that  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^+. \alpha^+ \simeq_1 \alpha^+$  and  $\exists \alpha^+. \alpha^+ \simeq \alpha^+$  and apply lemma 2. **Ilya: fix** □

## 4.2 Substitution

**Lemma 3** (Substitution strengthening). *Restricting the substitution to the free variables of the substitution subject does not affect the result. Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ . Then*

- + if  $\Gamma_1 \vdash P$  then  $[\sigma]P = [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} P}]P$ ,
- if  $\Gamma_1 \vdash N$  then  $[\sigma]N = [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} N}]N$

*Proof.* **Ilya:** **todo** □

**Lemma 4** (Substitution preserves subtyping). *Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ . Then*

- + if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash Q$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P \geqslant_1 Q$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]P \geqslant_1 [\sigma]Q$
- if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash M$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N \leqslant_1 M$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]N \leqslant_1 [\sigma]M$

*Proof.* **Ilya:** **todo** □

**Corollary 3** (Substitution preserves subtyping). *Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ . Then*

- + if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash Q$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]P \simeq_1^\leq [\sigma]Q$
- if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash M$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]N \simeq_1^\leq [\sigma]M$

## 4.3 Type well-formedness

**Lemma 5** (Well-formedness agrees with substitution). *Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ . Then*

- +  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P \Leftrightarrow \Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]P$
- $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N \Leftrightarrow \Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]N$

*Proof.* **Ilya:** **todo** □

**Corollary 4.** *Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ . Then*

- +  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash P \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]P$
- $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash N \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]N$

**Lemma 6** (Equivalent Contexts). *In the well-formedness judgment, only used variables matter:*

- + if  $\Gamma_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} P = \Gamma_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} P$  then  $\Gamma_1 \vdash P \iff \Gamma_2 \vdash P$ ,
- if  $\Gamma_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} N = \Gamma_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N$  then  $\Gamma_1 \vdash N \iff \Gamma_2 \vdash N$ .

*Proof.* By simple mutual induction on  $P$  and  $Q$ . □

**Corollary 5.** *Suppose that all the types below are well-formed in  $\Gamma$  and  $\Gamma' \subseteq \Gamma$ . Then*

- +  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$  implies  $\Gamma' \vdash P \iff \Gamma' \vdash Q$
- $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M$  implies  $\Gamma' \vdash N \iff \Gamma' \vdash M$

*Proof.* From lemma 6 and corollary 1. □



## 4.4 Overview

Algorithm	Soundness	Completeness	Initiality
Ordering	$\overline{\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,N \equiv \mathbf{vars} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N}$	$\frac{N \simeq_1^D M}{\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,N = \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,M}$	—
Normalization	$\overline{N \simeq_1^D \mathbf{nf}(N)}$	$\frac{N \simeq_1^D M}{\mathbf{nf}(N) = \mathbf{nf}(M)}$	—
Equivalence	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \quad \Gamma \vdash Q \quad P \simeq_1^D Q}{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^{\leq} Q}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^{\leq} Q}{P \simeq_1^D Q}$	—
Uppgrade	$\frac{\mathbf{upgrade}\,\Gamma \vdash P \mathbf{to}\,\Delta = Q}{Q \text{ is sound } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta \vdash Q \\ \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P \end{array} \right.}$	$\frac{\exists Q \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{upgrade}\,\Gamma \vdash P \mathbf{to}\,\Delta = Q}{\exists Q \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{upgrade}\,\Gamma \vdash P \mathbf{to}\,\Delta = Q}$	$\frac{Q' \text{ is sound } \quad \mathbf{upgrade}\,\Gamma \vdash P \mathbf{to}\,\Delta = Q}{\Delta \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q}$
LUB	$\frac{\Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q}{Q \text{ is sound } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash Q \\ \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1 \\ \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_2 \end{array} \right.}$	$\frac{\exists \text{ sound } Q'}{\exists Q \text{ s.t. } \Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q}$	$\frac{Q' \text{ is sound } \quad \Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q}{\Delta \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q}$
Anti-unification	$\frac{\Gamma \models P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{(\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Xi \text{ is negative} \\ \Gamma; \Xi \vdash Q \\ \Gamma; \cdot \vdash \hat{\tau}_i : \Xi \\ [\hat{\tau}_i]Q = P_i \end{array} \right. \text{ is sound}}$	$\frac{\exists \text{ sound } (\Xi', Q', \hat{\tau}'_1, \hat{\tau}'_2)}{\exists (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2) \text{ s.t. } \Gamma \models P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}$	$\frac{(\Xi', Q', \hat{\tau}'_1, \hat{\tau}'_2) \text{ is sound } \quad \Gamma \models P_1 \stackrel{a}{\simeq} P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{\exists \Gamma; \Xi \vdash \hat{\tau} : \Xi' \text{ s.t. } [\hat{\tau}]Q' = Q}$
Unification (matching)	$\frac{\Theta \models P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\hat{\sigma} \text{ is sound } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Theta \vdash \hat{\sigma} \\ [\hat{\sigma}]P = Q \end{array} \right.}$	$\frac{\exists \text{ sound } \hat{\sigma}'}{\exists \hat{\sigma} \text{ s.t. } \Theta \models P \stackrel{u}{\simeq} Q \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}$	—
Subtyping	$\frac{\Gamma; \Theta \models N \leq M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}{\hat{\sigma} \text{ is sound } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Theta \vdash \hat{\sigma} \\ \Gamma \vdash [\hat{\sigma}]N \leq_1 M \end{array} \right.}$	$\frac{\exists \text{ sound } \hat{\sigma}'}{\exists \hat{\sigma} \text{ s.t. } \Gamma; \Theta \models N \leq M \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}}$	—

## 4.5 Anti-unification

**Lemma 7** (Soundness of the anti-unification algorithm).

**Lemma 8** (Completeness of the anti-unification algorithm).

**Lemma 9** (Initiality of the anti-unification algorithm).

## 4.6 Variable Ordering

**Definition 4** (Collision free bijection). *We say that a bijection  $\mu : A \leftrightarrow B$  between sets of variables is **collision free on sets  $P$  and  $Q$**  if and only if*

1.  $\mu(P \cap A) \cap Q = \emptyset$
2.  $\mu(Q \cap A) \cap P = \emptyset$

**Lemma 10** (Soundness of variable ordering). *Variable ordering extracts precisely used free variables.*

- $\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,\overline{N} \equiv \mathbf{vars} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,\overline{N}$  (as sets)
- +  $\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,P \equiv \mathbf{vars} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,P$  (as sets)

*Proof.* Straightforward mutual induction on  $\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,N = \vec{\alpha}$  and  $\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,P = \vec{\alpha}$  □

**Corollary 6** (Additivity of ordering). *Variable ordering is additive (in terms of set union) with respect to its first argument.*

- $\mathbf{ord}(vars_1 \cup vars_2) \mathbf{in} N \equiv \mathbf{ord} vars_1 \mathbf{in} N \cup \mathbf{ord} vars_2 \mathbf{in} N$  (as sets)
- +  $\mathbf{ord}(vars_1 \cup vars_2) \mathbf{in} P \equiv \mathbf{ord} vars_1 \mathbf{in} P \cup \mathbf{ord} vars_2 \mathbf{in} P$  (as sets)

**Corollary 7** (Weakening of ordering). *Extending the first argument of the ordering with unused variables does not change the result.*

- $\mathbf{ord}(vars \cap \mathbf{fv} N) \mathbf{in} N = \mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N$
- +  $\mathbf{ord}(vars \cap \mathbf{fv} P) \mathbf{in} P = \mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} P$

**Lemma 11** (Distributivity of renaming over variable ordering). *Suppose that  $\mu$  is a bijection between two sets of variables  $\mu : A \leftrightarrow B$ .*

- *If  $\mu$  is collision free on  $vars$  and  $\mathbf{fv} N$  then  $[\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) = \mathbf{ord}([\mu]vars) \mathbf{in} [\mu]N$*
- + *If  $\mu$  is collision free on  $vars$  and  $\mathbf{fv} P$  then  $[\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} P) = \mathbf{ord}([\mu]vars) \mathbf{in} [\mu]P$*

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $N$  and  $P$ .

**Case 1.**  $N = \alpha^-$

let us consider four cases:

a.  $\alpha^- \in A$  and  $\alpha^- \in vars$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Then } [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) &= [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} \alpha^-) \\
 &= [\mu]\alpha^- && \text{by Rule (Var}_\epsilon^+) \\
 &= \beta^- && \text{for some } \beta^- \in B \text{ (notice that } \beta^- \in [\mu]vars) \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} \beta^- && \text{by Rule (Var}_\epsilon^+), \text{ because } \beta^- \in [\mu]vars \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]\alpha^-
 \end{aligned}$$

b.  $\alpha^- \notin A$  and  $\alpha^- \notin vars$

Notice that  $[\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) = [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} \alpha^-) = \cdot$  by Rule (Var $_\epsilon^+$ ). On the other hand,  $\mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]\alpha^- = \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} \alpha^- = \cdot$ . The latter equality is from Rule (Var $_\epsilon^+$ ), because  $\mu$  is collision free on  $vars$  and  $\mathbf{fv} N$ , so  $\mathbf{fv} N \ni \alpha^- \notin \mu(A \cap vars) \cup vars \supseteq [\mu]vars$ .

c.  $\alpha^- \in A$  but  $\alpha^- \notin vars$

Then  $[\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) = [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} \alpha^-) = \cdot$  by Rule (Var $_\epsilon^+$ ). To prove that  $\mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]\alpha^- = \cdot$ , we apply Rule (Var $_\epsilon^+$ ). Let us show that  $[\mu]\alpha^- \notin [\mu]vars$ . Since  $[\mu]\alpha^- = \mu(\alpha^-)$  and  $[\mu]vars \subseteq \mu(A \cap vars) \cup vars$ , it suffices to prove  $\mu(\alpha^-) \notin \mu(A \cap vars) \cup vars$ .

- (i) If there is an element  $x \in A \cap vars$  such that  $\mu x = \mu\alpha^-$ , then  $x = \alpha^-$  by bijectivity of  $\mu$ , which contradicts with  $\alpha^- \notin vars$ . This way,  $\mu(\alpha^-) \notin \mu(A \cap vars)$ .
- (ii) Since  $\mu$  is collision free on  $vars$  and  $\mathbf{fv} N$ ,  $\mu(A \cap \mathbf{fv} N) \ni \mu(\alpha^-) \notin vars$ .

d.  $\alpha^- \notin A$  but  $\alpha^- \in vars$

$\mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]\alpha^- = \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} \alpha^- = \alpha^-$ . The latter is by Rule (Var $_\epsilon^+$ ), because  $\alpha^- = [\mu]\alpha^- \in [\mu]vars$  since  $\alpha^- \in vars$ . On the other hand,  $[\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) = [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} \alpha^-) = [\mu]\alpha^- = \alpha^-$ .

**Case 2.**  $N = \uparrow P$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) &= [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} \uparrow P) \\
 &= [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} P) && \text{by Rule } (\uparrow) \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]P && \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} \uparrow [\mu]P && \text{by Rule } (\uparrow) \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]\uparrow P && \text{by the definition of substitution} \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]N
 \end{aligned}$$

**Case 3.**  $N = P \rightarrow M$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} N) &= [\mu](\mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} P \rightarrow M) \\
 &= [\mu](\vec{\alpha}_1, (\vec{\alpha}_2 \setminus \vec{\alpha}_1)) && \text{where } \mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} P = \vec{\alpha}_1 \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} vars \mathbf{in} M = \vec{\alpha}_2 \\
 &= [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1, [\mu](\vec{\alpha}_2 \setminus \vec{\alpha}_1) \\
 &= [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1, ([\mu]\vec{\alpha}_2 \setminus [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1) && \text{by induction on } \vec{\alpha}_2; \text{ the inductive step is similar to case 1. Notice that } \mu \text{ is} \\
 & && \text{collision free on } \vec{\alpha}_1 \text{ and } \vec{\alpha}_2 \text{ since } \vec{\alpha}_1 \subseteq vars \text{ and } \vec{\alpha}_2 \subseteq \mathbf{fv} N \\
 &= [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1, ([\mu]\vec{\alpha}_2 \setminus [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1) \\
 (\mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]N) &= (\mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]P \rightarrow [\mu]M) \\
 &= (\vec{\beta}_1, (\vec{\beta}_2 \setminus \vec{\beta}_1)) && \text{where } \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]P = \vec{\beta}_1 \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]M = \vec{\beta}_2 \\
 & && \text{then by the induction hypothesis, } \vec{\beta}_1 = [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1, \vec{\beta}_2 = [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_2, \\
 &= [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1, ([\mu]\vec{\alpha}_2 \setminus [\mu]\vec{\alpha}_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Case 4.**  $N = \forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. M$

$$\begin{aligned}
[\mu](\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,N) &= [\mu]\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,\forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. M \\
&= [\mu]\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,M \\
&= \mathbf{ord}\,[\mu]\mathbf{vars\,in}\,[\mu]M \quad \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
(\mathbf{ord}\,[\mu]\mathbf{vars\,in}\,[\mu]N) &= \mathbf{ord}\,[\mu]\mathbf{vars\,in}\,[\mu]\forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. M \\
&= \mathbf{ord}\,[\mu]\mathbf{vars\,in}\,\forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. [\mu]M \\
&= \mathbf{ord}\,[\mu]\mathbf{vars\,in}\,[\mu]M
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 12** (Ordering is not affected by independent substitutions). *Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ , i.e.  $\sigma$  maps variables from  $\Gamma_1$  into types taking free variables from  $\Gamma_2$ , and  $\mathbf{vars}$  is a set of variables disjoint with both  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
- \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,[\sigma]N &= \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,N \\
+ \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,[\sigma]P &= \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,P
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* **Ilya:** Should be easy

□

**Lemma 13** (Completeness of variable ordering). *Variable ordering is invariant under equivalence. For arbitrary  $\mathbf{vars}$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned}
- \text{If } N \simeq_1^D M \text{ then } \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,N &= \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,M \text{ (as lists)} \\
+ \text{If } P \simeq_1^D Q \text{ then } \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,P &= \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,Q \text{ (as lists)}
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $N \simeq_1^D M$  and  $P \simeq_1^D Q$ .

□

## 4.7 Normalizaion

**Lemma 14.** *Set of free variables is invariant under equivalence.*

$$\begin{aligned}
- \text{If } N \simeq_1^D M \text{ then } \mathbf{fv}\,N &\equiv \mathbf{fv}\,M \text{ (as sets)} \\
+ \text{If } P \simeq_1^D Q \text{ then } \mathbf{fv}\,P &\equiv \mathbf{fv}\,Q \text{ (as sets)}
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Straightforward mutual induction on  $N \simeq_1^D M$  and  $P \simeq_1^D Q$

□

**Lemma 15.** *Free variables are not changed by the normalization*

$$\begin{aligned}
- \mathbf{fv}\,N &\equiv \mathbf{fv}\,\mathbf{nf}\,(N) \\
+ \mathbf{fv}\,P &\equiv \mathbf{fv}\,\mathbf{nf}\,(P)
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By straightforward induction on  $\mathbf{nf}\,(N) = M$ .

□

**Lemma 16** (Soundness of quantifier normalization).

$$\begin{aligned}
- N &\simeq_1^D \mathbf{nf}\,(N) \\
+ P &\simeq_1^D \mathbf{nf}\,(P)
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $\mathbf{nf}\,(N) = M$  and  $\mathbf{nf}\,(P) = Q$ . Let us consider how this judgment is formed:

**Case 1.** ( $\mathbf{Var}^-$ ) and ( $\mathbf{Var}^+$ )

By the corresponding equivalence rules.

**Case 2.** ( $\uparrow$ ), ( $\downarrow$ ), and ( $\rightarrow$ )

By the induction hypothesis and the corresponding congruent equivalence rules.

**Case 3.** ( $\forall$ ), i.e.  $\mathbf{nf}\,(\forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. N) = \forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. N'$

From the induction hypothesis, we know that  $N \simeq_1^D N'$ . In particular, by lemma 14,  $\mathbf{fv}\,N \equiv \mathbf{fv}\,N'$ . Then by lemma 10,  $\alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \equiv \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N' \equiv \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N$ , and thus,  $\alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N' \equiv \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N$ .

To prove  $\forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. N \simeq_1^D \forall \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}}. N'$ , it suffices to provide a bijection  $\mu : \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N' \leftrightarrow \alpha^{\vec{\rightarrow}} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N$  such that  $N \simeq_1^D [\mu]N'$ . Since these sets are equal, we take  $\mu = id$ .

**Case 4.** ( $\exists$ ) Same as for case 3.

□

**Corollary 8** (Normalization preserves ordering). *For any vars,*

- $\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in\,nf}\,(N) = \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,M$
- +  $\mathbf{ord\,vars\,in\,nf}\,(P) = \mathbf{ord\,vars\,in}\,Q$

*Proof.* Immediately from lemmas 13 and 16. □

**Lemma 17** (Distributivity of normalization over substitution). *Normalization of a term distributes over substitution. Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ , i.e.  $\sigma$  maps variables from  $\Gamma_1$  into types taking free variables from  $\Gamma_2$ . Then*

- $\mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]N) = [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(N)$
- +  $\mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]P) = [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(P)$

where  $\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)$  means pointwise normalization:  $[\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\alpha^- = \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]\alpha^-)$ .

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $N$  and  $P$ .

**Case 1.**  $N = \alpha^-$

$$\mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]N) = \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]\alpha^-) = [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\alpha^-.$$

$$[\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(N) = [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(\alpha^-) = [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\alpha^-.$$

**Case 2.**  $P = \alpha^+$

Similar to case 1.

**Case 3.** If the type is formed by  $\rightarrow$ ,  $\uparrow$ , or  $\downarrow$ , the required equality follows from the congruence of the normalization and substitution, and the induction hypothesis. For example, if  $N = P \rightarrow M$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]N) &= \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma](P \rightarrow M)) \\ &= \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]P \rightarrow [\sigma]M) && \text{By the congruence of substitution} \\ &= \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]P) \rightarrow \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) && \text{By the congruence of normalization, i.e. Rule } (\rightarrow) \\ &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(P) \rightarrow [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(M) && \text{By the induction hypothesis} \\ &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)](\mathbf{nf}\,(P) \rightarrow \mathbf{nf}\,(M)) && \text{By the congruence of substitution} \\ &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(P \rightarrow M) && \text{By the congruence of normalization} \\ &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(N) \end{aligned}$$

**Case 4.**  $N = \forall \alpha^+ . M$

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(N) &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(\forall \alpha^+ . M) \\ &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\forall \alpha^{+\prime} . \mathbf{nf}\,(M) \quad \text{Where } \alpha^{+\prime} = \mathbf{ord}\,\alpha^+ \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}\,(M) = \mathbf{ord}\,\alpha^+ \text{ in } M \text{ (the latter is by corollary 8)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]N) &= \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]\forall \alpha^+ . M) \\ &= \mathbf{nf}\,(\forall \alpha^+ . [\sigma]M) && \text{Assuming } \alpha^+ \cap \Gamma_1 = \emptyset \text{ and } \alpha^+ \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset \\ &= \forall \beta^+ . \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) && \text{Where } \beta^+ = \mathbf{ord}\,\alpha^+ \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) = \mathbf{ord}\,\alpha^+ \text{ in } [\sigma]M \text{ (the latter is by corollary 8)} \\ &= \forall \alpha^{+\prime} . \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) && \text{By lemma 12, } \beta^+ = \alpha^{+\prime} \text{ since } \alpha^+ \text{ is disjoint with } \Gamma_1 \text{ and } \Gamma_2 \\ &= \forall \alpha^{+\prime} . [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(M) && \text{By the induction hypothesis} \end{aligned}$$

To show alpha-equivalence of  $[\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\forall \alpha^{+\prime} . \mathbf{nf}\,(M)$  and  $\forall \alpha^{+\prime} . [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(M)$ , we can assume that  $\alpha^{+\prime} \cap \Gamma_1 = \emptyset$ , and  $\alpha^{+\prime} \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset$ .

**Case 5.**  $P = \exists \alpha^- . Q$

Same as for case 4.

□

**Corollary 9** (Commutativity of normalization and renaming). *Normalization of a term commutes with renaming. Suppose that  $\mu$  is a bijection between two sets of variables  $\mu : A \leftrightarrow B$ . Then*

- $\mathbf{nf}\,([\mu]N) = [\mu]\mathbf{nf}\,(N)$
- +  $\mathbf{nf}\,([\mu]P) = [\mu]\mathbf{nf}\,(P)$

*Proof.* Immediately from lemma 17, after noticing that  $\mathbf{nf}(\mu) = \mu$ . □

**Lemma 18** (Completeness of quantified normalization). *Normalization returns the same representative for equivalent types.*

- If  $N \simeq_1^D M$  then  $\mathbf{nf}(N) = \mathbf{nf}(M)$
- + If  $P \simeq_1^D Q$  then  $\mathbf{nf}(P) = \mathbf{nf}(Q)$

(Here equality means alpha-equivalence)

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $N \simeq_1^D M$  and  $P \simeq_1^D Q$ .

**Case 1.** ( $\forall \simeq_1^D$ )

From the definition of the normalization,

- $\mathbf{nf}(\forall \alpha^+ . N) = \forall \alpha^{+'} . \mathbf{nf}(N)$  where  $\alpha^{+'}$  is **ord**  $\alpha^+$  in  $\mathbf{nf}(N)$
- $\mathbf{nf}(\forall \beta^+ . M) = \forall \beta^{+'} . \mathbf{nf}(M)$  where  $\beta^{+'}$  is **ord**  $\beta^+$  in  $\mathbf{nf}(M)$

Let us take  $\mu : (\beta^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \leftrightarrow (\alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$  from the inversion of the equivalence judgment. Notice that from lemmas 10 and 15, the domain and the codomain of  $\mu$  can be written as  $\mu : \beta^{+'} \leftrightarrow \alpha^{+'}$ .

To show the alpha-equivalence of  $\forall \alpha^{+'} . \mathbf{nf}(N)$  and  $\forall \beta^{+'} . \mathbf{nf}(M)$ , it suffices to prove that (i)  $[\mu]\mathbf{nf}(M) = \mathbf{nf}(N)$  and (ii)  $[\mu]\beta^{+'} = \alpha^{+'}$ .

(i)  $[\mu]\mathbf{nf}(M) = \mathbf{nf}([\mu]M) = \mathbf{nf}(N)$ . The first equality holds by corollary 9, the second—by the induction hypothesis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) } [\mu]\beta^{+'} &= [\mu]\mathbf{ord} \beta^+ \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}(M) && \text{by the definition of } \beta^{+'} \\
 &= [\mu]\mathbf{ord} (\beta^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}(M) && \text{from lemma 15 and corollary 7} \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu](\beta^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \text{ in } [\mu]\mathbf{nf}(M) && \text{by lemma 11, because } \alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N \cap \mathbf{fv} \mathbf{nf}(M) \subseteq \alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M = \emptyset \\
 &&& \text{and } \alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N \cap (\beta^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \subseteq \alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M = \emptyset \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu](\beta^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}(N) && \text{since } [\mu]\mathbf{nf}(M) = \mathbf{nf}(N) \text{ is proved} \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} (\alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N) \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}(N) && \text{because } \mu \text{ is a bijection between } \alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N \text{ and } \beta^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} \alpha^+ \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}(N) && \text{from lemma 15 and corollary 7} \\
 &= \alpha^{+'} && \text{by the definition of } \alpha^{+'}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2.** ( $\exists \simeq_1^D$ ) Same as for case 1.

**Case 3.** Other rules are congruent, and thus, proved by the corresponding congruent alpha-equivalence rule, which is applicable by the induction hypothesis. □

**Lemma 19** (Idempotence of normalization). *Normalization is idempotent*

- $\mathbf{nf}(\mathbf{nf}(N)) = \mathbf{nf}(N)$
- +  $\mathbf{nf}(\mathbf{nf}(P)) = \mathbf{nf}(P)$

*Proof.* By applying lemma 18 to lemma 16. □

**Lemma 20.** *The result of a substitution is normalized if and only if the initial type and the substitution are normalized.*

Suppose that  $\sigma$  is a substitution  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ ,  $P$  is a positive type ( $\Gamma_1 \vdash P$ ),  $N$  is a negative type ( $\Gamma_1 \vdash N$ ). Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 + [\sigma]P \text{ is normal} &\iff \begin{cases} \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(P)} & \text{is normal} \\ P & \text{is normal} \end{cases} \\
 - [\sigma]N \text{ is normal} &\iff \begin{cases} \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(N)} & \text{is normal} \\ N & \text{is normal} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Mutual induction on  $\Gamma_1 \vdash P$  and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash N$ .

**Case 1.**  $N = \alpha^-$

Then  $N$  is always normal, and the normality of  $\sigma|_{\alpha^-}$  by the definition means  $[\sigma]\alpha^-$  is normal.

**Case 2.**  $N = P \rightarrow M$

$$\begin{aligned}
[\sigma](P \rightarrow M) \text{ is normal} &\iff [\sigma]P \rightarrow [\sigma]M \text{ is normal} && \text{by the substitution congruence} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} [\sigma]P & \text{is normal} \\ [\sigma]M & \text{is normal} \end{cases} && \text{by congruence of normality \textcolor{red}{Ilya: lemma?}} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} P & \text{is normal} \\ \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(P)} & \text{is normal} \\ M & \text{is normal} \\ \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(M)} & \text{is normal} \end{cases} && \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} P \rightarrow M & \text{is normal} \\ \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(P) \cup \mathbf{fv}(M)} & \text{is normal} \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} P \rightarrow M & \text{is normal} \\ \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(P \rightarrow M)} & \text{is normal} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

**Case 3.**  $N = \uparrow P$

By congruence and the inductive hypothesis, similar to case 2

**Case 4.**  $N = \forall \alpha^+. M$

$$\begin{aligned}
[\sigma](\forall \alpha^+. M) \text{ is normal} &\iff (\forall \alpha^+. [\sigma]M) \text{ is normal} && \text{assuming } \bar{\alpha}^+ \cap \Gamma_1 = \emptyset \text{ and } \bar{\alpha}^+ \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset \\
&\iff \begin{cases} [\sigma]M \text{ is normal} \\ \mathbf{ord} \bar{\alpha}^+ \text{ in } [\sigma]M = \bar{\alpha}^+ \end{cases} && \text{by the definition of normalization} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} [\sigma]M \text{ is normal} \\ \mathbf{ord} \bar{\alpha}^+ \text{ in } M = \bar{\alpha}^+ \end{cases} && \text{by lemma 12} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(M)} \text{ is normal} \\ M \text{ is normal} \\ \mathbf{ord} \bar{\alpha}^+ \text{ in } M = \bar{\alpha}^+ \end{cases} && \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(\forall \alpha^+. M)} \text{ is normal} \\ \forall \alpha^+. M \text{ is normal} \end{cases} && \begin{array}{l} \text{since } \mathbf{fv}(\forall \alpha^+. M) = \mathbf{fv}(M); \\ \text{by the definition of normalization} \end{array}
\end{aligned}$$

**Case 5.**  $P = \dots$

The positive cases are done in the same way as the negative ones.

□

## 4.8 Equivalence

**Lemma 21** (Type well-formedness is invariant under equivalence). *Mutual subtyping implies declarative equivalence.*

- + if  $P \simeq_1^D Q$  then  $\Gamma \vdash P \iff \Gamma \vdash Q$ ,
- if  $N \simeq_1^D M$  then  $\Gamma \vdash N \iff \Gamma \vdash M$

*Proof.* **Ilya: todo**

□

**Corollary 10** (Normalization preserves well-formedness).

- +  $\Gamma \vdash P \iff \Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(P)$ ,
- $\Gamma \vdash N \iff \Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(N)$

*Proof.* Immediately from lemmas 16 and 21.

□

**Corollary 11** (Normalization preserves well-formedness of substitution).

$$\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1 \iff \Gamma_2 \vdash \mathbf{nf}(\sigma) : \Gamma_1$$

**Lemma 22** (Soundness of equivalence). *Declarative equivalence implies mutual subtyping.*

- + if  $\Gamma \vdash P, \Gamma \vdash Q$ , and  $P \simeq_1^D Q$  then  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^{\leq} Q$ ,
- if  $\Gamma \vdash N, \Gamma \vdash M$ , and  $N \simeq_1^D M$  then  $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^{\leq} M$ .

*Proof.* We prove it by mutual induction on  $P \simeq_1^D Q$  and  $N \simeq_1^D M$ .

**Case 1.**  $\alpha^- \simeq_1^D \alpha^-$

Then  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 \alpha^-$  by Rule  $(\text{Var}^- \leq_1)$ , which immediately implies  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \simeq_1^\leq \alpha^-$  by Rule  $(\simeq_1^\leq -)$ .

**Case 2.**  $\uparrow P \simeq_1^D \uparrow Q$

Then by inversion of Rule  $(\uparrow \leq_1)$ ,  $P \simeq_1^D Q$ , and from the induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$ , and (by symmetry)  $\Gamma \vdash Q \simeq_1^\leq P$ .

When Rule  $(\uparrow \leq_1)$  is applied to  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$ , it gives us  $\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P \leq_1 \uparrow Q$ ; when it is applied to  $\Gamma \vdash Q \simeq_1^\leq P$ , we obtain  $\Gamma \vdash \uparrow Q \leq_1 \uparrow P$ . Together, it implies  $\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P \simeq_1^\leq \uparrow Q$ .

**Case 3.**  $P \rightarrow N \simeq_1^D Q \rightarrow M$

Then by inversion of Rule  $(\rightarrow \leq_1)$ ,  $P \simeq_1^D Q$  and  $N \simeq_1^D M$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$  and  $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M$ , which means by inversion: (i)  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 Q$ , (ii)  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P$ , (iii)  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$ , (iv)  $\Gamma \vdash M \leq_1 N$ . Applying Rule  $(\rightarrow \leq_1)$  to (i) and (iii), we obtain  $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N \leq_1 Q \rightarrow M$ ; applying it to (ii) and (iv), we have  $\Gamma \vdash Q \rightarrow M \leq_1 P \rightarrow N$ . Together, it implies  $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N \simeq_1^\leq Q \rightarrow M$ .

**Case 4.**  $\forall \alpha^+. N \simeq_1^D \forall \beta^+. M$

Then by inversion, there exists bijection  $\mu : (\vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \leftrightarrow (\vec{\alpha}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$ , such that  $N \simeq_1^D [\mu]M$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu]M$ . From corollary 3 and the fact that  $\mu$  is bijective, we also have  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\mu^{-1}]N \simeq_1^\leq M$ .

Let us construct a substitution  $\vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash \vec{P}/\vec{\beta}^+ : \vec{\beta}^+$  by extending  $\mu$  with arbitrary positive types on  $\vec{\beta}^+ \setminus \mathbf{fv} M$ .

Notice that  $[\mu]M = [\vec{P}/\vec{\beta}^+]M$ , and therefore,  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu]M$  implies  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash [\vec{P}/\vec{\beta}^+]M \leq_1 N$ . Then by Rule  $(\forall \leq_1)$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \beta^+. M \leq_1 \forall \alpha^+. N$ .

Analogously, we construct the substitution from  $\mu^{-1}$ , and use it to instantiate  $\vec{\alpha}^+$  in the application of Rule  $(\forall \leq_1)$  to infer  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \leq_1 \forall \beta^+. M$ .

This way,  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \beta^+. M \leq_1 \forall \alpha^+. N$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \leq_1 \forall \beta^+. M$  gives us  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \beta^+. M \simeq_1^\leq \forall \alpha^+. N$ .

**Case 5.** For the cases of the positive types, the proofs are symmetric. □

**Corollary 12.**

- + if  $\Gamma \vdash P$  then  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq \mathbf{nf}(P)$ ,
- if  $\Gamma \vdash N$  then  $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq \mathbf{nf}(N)$ .

*Proof.* Immediately from lemmas 16 and 22 and corollary 10. □

**Lemma 23** (Subtyping induced by disjoint substitutions). *If two disjoint substitutions induce subtyping, they are degenerate (so is the subtyping). Suppose that  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 : \Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 : \Gamma_2$ , where  $\Gamma_i \subseteq \Gamma$  and  $\Gamma_1 \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset$ . Then*

- assuming  $\Gamma \vdash N$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 [\sigma_2]N$  implies  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} N$
- + assuming  $\Gamma \vdash P$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 [\sigma_2]P$  implies  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P$

*Proof.* Proof by induction on  $\Gamma \vdash N$  (and mutually on  $\Gamma \vdash P$ ).

**Case 1.**  $N = \alpha^-$

Then  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 [\sigma_2]N$  is rewritten as  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^- \leq_1 [\sigma_2]\alpha^-$ . Let us consider the following cases:

- a.  $\alpha^- \notin \Gamma_1$  and  $\alpha^- \notin \Gamma_2$   
Then  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \alpha^-$  holds immediately, since  $[\sigma_i]\alpha^- = [\text{id}]\alpha^- = \alpha^-$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \simeq_1^\leq \alpha^-$ .
- b.  $\alpha^- \in \Gamma_1$  and  $\alpha^- \in \Gamma_2$   
This case is not possible by assumption:  $\Gamma_1 \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset$ .
- c.  $\alpha^- \in \Gamma_1$  and  $\alpha^- \notin \Gamma_2$   
Then we have  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^- \leq_1 \alpha^-$ , which by corollary 2 means  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^- \simeq_1^\leq \alpha^-$ , and hence,  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \alpha^-$ .  
 $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \alpha^-$  holds since  $[\sigma_2]\alpha^- = \alpha^-$ , similarly to case 1.a.
- d.  $\alpha^- \notin \Gamma_1$  and  $\alpha^- \in \Gamma_2$   
Then we have  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 [\sigma_2]\alpha^-$ , which by corollary 2 means  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \simeq_1^\leq [\sigma_2]\alpha^-$ , and hence,  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \alpha^-$ .  
 $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^\leq \text{id} : \alpha^-$  holds since  $[\sigma_1]\alpha^- = \alpha^-$ , similarly to case 1.a.

**Case 2.**  $N = \forall \alpha^+ . M$

Then by inversion,  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash M$ .  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 [\sigma_2]N$  is rewritten as  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\forall \alpha^+ . M \leq_1 [\sigma_2]\forall \alpha^+ . M$ . By the congruence of substitution and by the inversion of Rule ( $\forall^{\leq_1}$ ),  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash [\vec{Q}/\alpha^+][\sigma_1]M \leq_1 [\sigma_2]M$ , where  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash Q_i$ . Let us denote the (Kleisli) composition of  $\sigma_1$  and  $\vec{Q}/\alpha^+$  as  $\sigma'_1$ , noting that  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash \sigma'_1 : \Gamma_1, \alpha^+$ , and  $\Gamma_1, \alpha^+ \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset$ .

Let us apply the induction hypothesis to  $M$  and the substitutions  $\sigma'_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  with  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash [\sigma'_1]M \leq_1 [\sigma_2]M$  to obtain:

$$\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash \sigma'_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} M \quad (1)$$

$$\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} M \quad (2)$$

Then  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+ . M$  holds by strengthening of 2: for any  $\beta^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+ . M = \mathbf{fv} M \setminus \alpha^+$ ,  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash [\sigma_2]\beta^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \beta^\pm$  is strengthened to  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]\beta^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \beta^\pm$ , because  $\mathbf{fv} [\sigma_2]\beta^\pm = \mathbf{fv} \beta^\pm = \{\beta^\pm\} \subseteq \Gamma$ .

To show that  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+ . M$ , let us take an arbitrary  $\beta^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+ . M = \mathbf{fv} M \setminus \alpha^+$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \beta^\pm &= [\text{id}]\beta^\pm && \text{by definition of id} \\ &\simeq_1^{\leq} [\sigma'_1]\beta^\pm && \text{by 1} \\ &= [\vec{Q}/\alpha^+][\sigma_1]\beta^\pm && \text{by definition of } \sigma'_1 \\ &= [\sigma_1]\beta^\pm && \text{because } \alpha^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} [\sigma_1]\beta^\pm \subseteq \alpha^+ \cap \Gamma = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

This way,  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\beta^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \beta^\pm$  for any  $\beta^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+ . M$  and thus,  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} \forall \alpha^+ . M$ .

**Case 3.**  $N = P \rightarrow M$

Then by inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash M$ .  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 [\sigma_2]N$  is rewritten as  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1](P \rightarrow M) \leq_1 [\sigma_2](P \rightarrow M)$ , then by congruence of substitution,  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \rightarrow [\sigma_1]M \leq_1 [\sigma_2]P \rightarrow [\sigma_2]M$ , then by inversion  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 [\sigma_2]P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]M \leq_1 [\sigma_2]M$ .

Applying the induction hypothesis to  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 [\sigma_2]P$  and to  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]M \leq_1 [\sigma_2]M$ , we obtain (respectively):

$$\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P \quad (3)$$

$$\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} M \quad (4)$$

Noting that  $\mathbf{fv}(P \rightarrow M) = \mathbf{fv} P \cup \mathbf{fv} M$ , we combine eqs. (3) and (4) to conclude:  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv}(P \rightarrow M)$ .

**Case 4.**  $N = \uparrow P$

Then by inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash P$ .  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 [\sigma_2]N$  is rewritten as  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\uparrow P \leq_1 [\sigma_2]\uparrow P$ , then by congruence of substitution and by inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 [\sigma_2]P$

Applying the induction hypothesis to  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 [\sigma_2]P$ , we obtain  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P$ . Since  $\mathbf{fv} \uparrow P = \mathbf{fv} P$ , we can conclude:  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} \uparrow P$ .

**Case 5.** The positive cases are proved symmetrically.

□

**Corollary 13** (Substitution cannot induce proper subtypes or supertypes). *Assuming all mentioned types are well-formed in  $\Gamma$  and  $\sigma$  is a substitution  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma : \Gamma$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \vdash [\sigma]N \leq_1 N &\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash [\sigma]N \simeq_1^{\leq} N \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash \sigma \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} N \\ \Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 [\sigma]N &\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^{\leq} [\sigma]N \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash \sigma \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} N \\ \Gamma \vdash [\sigma]P \geq_1 P &\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash [\sigma]P \simeq_1^{\leq} P \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash \sigma \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P \\ \Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 [\sigma]P &\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^{\leq} [\sigma]P \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash \sigma \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 24.** *Assuming that the mentioned types ( $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $N$ , and  $M$ ) are well-formed in  $\Gamma$  and that the substitutions ( $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ ) have signature  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_i : \Gamma$ ,*

- + if  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]Q \geq_1 P$   
then there exists a bijection  $\mu : \mathbf{fv} P \leftrightarrow \mathbf{fv} Q$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu : \mathbf{fv} P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu^{-1} : \mathbf{fv} Q$ ;
- if  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 M$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]N \leq_1 M$   
then there exists a bijection  $\mu : \mathbf{fv} N \leftrightarrow \mathbf{fv} M$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu : \mathbf{fv} N$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu^{-1} : \mathbf{fv} M$ .



*Proof.*

+ Applying  $\sigma_2$  to both sides of  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]P \geq_1 Q$  (by ??), we have:  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1]P \geq_1 [\sigma_2]Q$ . Composing it with  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]Q \geq_1 P$  (by transitivity ??), we have  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1]P \geq_1 P$ . Then by corollary 13,  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P$ .

By a symmetric argument, we also have:  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} Q$ .

Now, we prove that  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \text{id} : \mathbf{fv} Q$  implies that  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_1$  are (equivalent to) mutually inverse bijections.

To do so, it suffices to prove that

- (i) for any  $\alpha^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} P$  there exists  $\beta^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} Q$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \beta^\pm$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]\beta^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^\pm$ ; and
- (ii) for any  $\beta^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} Q$  there exists  $\alpha^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} P$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]\beta^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^\pm$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \beta^\pm$ .

Then these correspondences between  $\mathbf{fv} P$  and  $\mathbf{fv} Q$  are mutually inverse functions, since for any  $\beta^\pm$  there can be at most one  $\alpha^\pm$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]\beta^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^\pm$  (and vice versa).

(i) Let us take  $\alpha^\pm \in \mathbf{fv} P$ .

(a) if  $\alpha^\pm$  is positive ( $\alpha^\pm = \alpha^+$ ), from  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2][\sigma_1]\alpha^+ \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^+$ , by corollary 2, we have  $[\sigma_2][\sigma_1]\alpha^+ = \exists \beta^-. \alpha^+$ .

What shape can  $[\sigma_1]\alpha^+$  have? It cannot be  $\exists \alpha^-. \downarrow N$  (for potentially empty  $\alpha^-$ ), because the outer constructor  $\downarrow$  would remain after the substitution  $\sigma_2$ , whereas  $\exists \beta^-. \alpha^+$  does not have  $\downarrow$ . The only case left is  $[\sigma_1]\alpha^+ = \exists \alpha^-. \gamma^+$ .

Notice that  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. \gamma^+ \simeq_1^{\leq} \gamma^+$ , meaning that  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^+ \simeq_1^{\leq} \gamma^+$ . Also notice that  $[\sigma_2]\exists \alpha^-. \gamma^+ = \exists \beta^-. \alpha^+$  implies  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]\gamma^+ \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^+$ .

(b) if  $\alpha^\pm$  is negative ( $\alpha^\pm = \alpha^-$ ) from  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2][\sigma_1]\alpha^- \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^-$ , by corollary 2, we have  $[\sigma_2][\sigma_1]\alpha^- = \forall \beta^+. \alpha^-$ .

What shape can  $[\sigma_1]\alpha^-$  have? It cannot be  $\forall \alpha^+. \uparrow P$  nor  $\forall \alpha^+. P \rightarrow M$  (for potentially empty  $\alpha^+$ ), because the outer constructor ( $\rightarrow$  or  $\uparrow$ ), remaining after the substitution  $\sigma_2$ , is however absent in the resulting  $\forall \beta^+. \alpha^-$ . Hence, the only case left is  $[\sigma_1]\alpha^- = \forall \alpha^+. \gamma^-$ . Notice that  $\Gamma \vdash \gamma^- \simeq_1^{\leq} \forall \alpha^+. \gamma^-$ , meaning that  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1]\alpha^- \simeq_1^{\leq} \gamma^-$ . Also notice that  $[\sigma_2]\forall \alpha^+. \gamma^- = \forall \beta^+. \alpha^-$  implies  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2]\gamma^- \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^-$ .

(ii) The proof is symmetric: We swap  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ , and exploit  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_1][\sigma_2]\alpha^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^\pm$  instead of  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_2][\sigma_1]\alpha^\pm \simeq_1^{\leq} \alpha^\pm$ .

– The proof is symmetric to the positive case.

□

**Lemma 25** (Equivalence of polymorphic types).

- For  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \beta^+. M$ ,  
if  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \simeq_1^{\leq} \forall \beta^+. M$  then there exists a bijection  $\mu : \vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M \leftrightarrow \vec{\alpha}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N$  such that  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^{\leq} [\mu]N$ ,
- + For  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \beta^-. Q$ ,  
if  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. P \simeq_1^{\leq} \exists \beta^-. Q$  then there exists a bijection  $\mu : \vec{\beta}^- \cap \mathbf{fv} Q \leftrightarrow \vec{\alpha}^- \cap \mathbf{fv} P$  such that  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P \simeq_1^{\leq} [\mu]Q$ .

*Proof.*

– First, by  $\alpha$ -conversion, we ensure  $\vec{\alpha}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M = \emptyset$  and  $\vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N = \emptyset$ . By inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \alpha^+. N \simeq_1^{\leq} \forall \beta^+. M$  implies

1.  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 M$  for  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_1 : \vec{\alpha}^+$  and
2.  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash [\sigma_2]M \leq_1 N$  for  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash \sigma_2 : \vec{\beta}^+$ .

To apply lemma 24, we weaken and rearrange the contexts, and extend the substitutions to act as identity outside of their initial domain:

1.  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\sigma_1]N \leq_1 M$  for  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_1 : \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+$  and
2.  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\sigma_2]M \leq_1 N$  for  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_2 : \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+$ .

Then from lemma 24, there exists a bijection  $\mu : \mathbf{fv} M \leftrightarrow \mathbf{fv} N$  such that  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu : \mathbf{fv} M$  and  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu^{-1} : \mathbf{fv} N$ .

Let us show that if we restrict the domain of  $\mu$  to  $\vec{\beta}^+$ , its range will be contained in  $\vec{\alpha}^+$ . Let us take  $\gamma^+ \in \vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M$  and assume  $[\mu]\gamma^+ \notin \vec{\alpha}^+$ . Then since  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_1 : \vec{\alpha}^+$ ,  $\sigma_1$  acts as identity outside of  $\vec{\alpha}^+$ , i.e.  $[\sigma_1][\mu]\gamma^+ = [\mu]\gamma^+$ . Since  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu^{-1} : \mathbf{fv} N$ , application of  $\sigma_1$  is equivalent to application of  $\mu^{-1}$ , then  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\mu^{-1}][\mu]\gamma^+ \simeq_1^{\leq} [\mu]\gamma^+$ , i.e.

$\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \gamma^+ \simeq_1^\leq [\mu]\gamma^+$ , which means  $\gamma^+ \in \mathbf{fv}[\mu]\gamma^+ \subseteq \mathbf{fv} N$ . By assumption,  $\gamma^+ \in \vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M$ , i.e.  $\vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N \neq \emptyset$ , hence contradiction.

By ??,  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash \sigma_2 \simeq_1^\leq \mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+} : \mathbf{fv} M$  implies  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\sigma_2]M \simeq_1^\leq [\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}]M$ . By similar reasoning,  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\sigma_1]N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu^{-1}|_{\vec{\alpha}^+}]N$ .

This way,

$$\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\mu^{-1}|_{\vec{\alpha}^+}]N \leq_1 M \quad (5)$$

$$\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash [\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}]M \leq_1 N \quad (6)$$

By applying  $\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}$  to both sides of 5 (??) and contracting  $\mu^{-1}|_{\vec{\alpha}^+} \circ \mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+} = \mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}^{-1} \circ \mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+} = \text{id}$ , we have:  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash N \leq_1 [\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}]M$ , which together with 6 means  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}]M$ , and by strengthening,  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}]M$ . Symmetrically,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash M \simeq_1^\leq [\mu|_{\vec{\beta}^+}^{-1}]N$ .

- + The proof is symmetric to the proof of the negative case.

□

**Lemma 26** (Completeness of equivalence). *Mutual subtyping implies declarative equivalence. Assuming all the types below are well-formed in  $\Gamma$ :*

- + if  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$  then  $P \simeq_1^D Q$ ,
- if  $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M$  then  $N \simeq_1^D M$ .

*Proof.* – Induction on the sum of sizes of  $N$  and  $M$ . By inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq M$  means  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$  and  $\Gamma \vdash M \leq_1 N$ . Let us consider the last rule that forms  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$ :

**Case 1.** Rule ( $\text{Var}^{-\leq_1}$ ) i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$  is of the form  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^- \leq_1 \alpha^-$   
Then  $N \simeq_1^D M$  (i.e.  $\alpha^- \simeq_1^D \alpha^-$ ) holds immediately by Rule ( $\text{Var}^{-\simeq_1^D}$ ).

**Case 2.** Rule ( $\uparrow^{\leq_1}$ ) i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$  is of the form  $\Gamma \vdash \uparrow P \leq_1 \uparrow Q$   
Then by inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$ , and by induction hypothesis,  $P \simeq_1^D Q$ . Then  $N \simeq_1^D M$  (i.e.  $\uparrow P \simeq_1^D \uparrow Q$ ) holds by Rule ( $\uparrow^{\simeq_1^D}$ ).

**Case 3.** Rule ( $\rightarrow^{\leq_1}$ ) i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$  is of the form  $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N' \leq_1 Q \rightarrow M'$   
Then by inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma \vdash N' \leq_1 M'$ . Notice that  $\Gamma \vdash M \leq_1 N$  is of the form  $\Gamma \vdash Q \rightarrow M' \leq_1 P \rightarrow N'$ , which by inversion means  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash M' \leq_1 N'$ .  
This way,  $\Gamma \vdash Q \simeq_1^\leq P$  and  $\Gamma \vdash M' \simeq_1^\leq N'$ . Then by induction hypothesis,  $Q \simeq_1^D P$  and  $M' \simeq_1^D N'$ . Then  $N \simeq_1^D M$  (i.e.  $P \rightarrow N' \simeq_1^D Q \rightarrow M'$ ) holds by Rule ( $\rightarrow^{\simeq_1^D}$ ).

**Case 4.** Rule ( $\forall^{\leq_1}$ ) i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 M$  is of the form  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \vec{\alpha}^+. N' \leq_1 \forall \vec{\beta}^+. M'$   
Then by ??,  $\Gamma \vdash \forall \vec{\alpha}^+. N' \simeq_1^\leq \forall \vec{\beta}^+. M'$  means that there exists a bijection  $\mu : \vec{\beta}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} M' \leftrightarrow \vec{\alpha}^+ \cap \mathbf{fv} N'$  such that  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^+ \vdash [\mu]M' \simeq_1^\leq N'$ .  
Notice that the application of bijection  $\mu$  to  $M'$  does not change its size (which is less than the size of  $M$ ), hence the induction hypothesis applies. This way,  $[\mu]M' \simeq_1^D N'$  (and by symmetry,  $N' \simeq_1^D [\mu]M'$ ) holds by induction. Then we apply Rule ( $\forall^{\simeq_1^D}$ ) to get  $\forall \vec{\alpha}^+. N' \simeq_1^D \forall \vec{\beta}^+. M'$ , i.e.  $N \simeq_1^D M$ .

- + The proof is symmetric to the proof of the negative case.

□

## 4.9 Upgrade

Let us consider a type  $P$  well-formed in  $\Gamma$ . Some of its  $\Gamma$ -supertypes are also well-formed in a smaller context  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ . The upgrade is the operation that returns the least of such supertypes.

**Lemma 27** (Soundness of Upgrade). *Assuming  $P$  is well-formed in  $\Gamma = \Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm$ , if  $\text{upgrade} \Gamma \vdash P \text{ to } \Delta = Q$  then*

1.  $\Delta \vdash Q$
2.  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P$

*Proof.* By inversion, **upgrade**  $\Gamma \vdash P \text{ to } \Delta = Q$  means that for fresh  $\vec{\beta}^\pm$  and  $\vec{\gamma}^\pm$ ,  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \models [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P \vee [\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P = Q$ . Then by the soundness of the least upper bound (lemma 32),

1.  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash Q$ ,
2.  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash Q \geq_1 [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$ , and
3.  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash Q \geq_1 [\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{fv} Q &\subseteq \mathbf{fv} [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P \cap \mathbf{fv} [\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P \\ &\subseteq ((\mathbf{fv} P \setminus \vec{\alpha}^\pm) \cup \vec{\beta}^\pm) \cap ((\mathbf{fv} P \setminus \vec{\alpha}^\pm) \cup \vec{\gamma}^\pm) \\ &= (\mathbf{fv} P \setminus \vec{\alpha}^\pm) \cap (\mathbf{fv} P \setminus \vec{\alpha}^\pm) \\ &= \mathbf{fv} P \setminus \vec{\alpha}^\pm \\ &\subseteq \Gamma \setminus \vec{\alpha}^\pm \\ &\subseteq \Delta \end{aligned}$$

Since by lemma 1,  $\mathbf{fv} Q \subseteq \mathbf{fv} [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$  and  $\mathbf{fv} Q \subseteq \mathbf{fv} [\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$

since  $\vec{\beta}^\pm$  and  $\vec{\gamma}^\pm$  are fresh

since  $P$  is well-formed in  $\Gamma$

This way, by lemma 6,  $\Delta \vdash Q$ .

Let us apply  $\vec{\alpha}^\pm/\vec{\beta}^\pm$ —the inverse of the substitution  $\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm$  to both sides of  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash Q \geq_1 [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$  and by ??, get  $\Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash [\vec{\alpha}^\pm/\vec{\beta}^\pm]Q \geq_1 P$ . Notice that  $\Delta \vdash Q$  implies that  $\mathbf{fv} Q \cap \vec{\beta}^\pm = \emptyset$ , then by ??,  $[\vec{\alpha}^\pm/\vec{\beta}^\pm]Q = Q$ , and thus  $\Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash Q \geq_1 P$ . By context strengthening,  $\Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm \vdash Q \geq_1 P$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 28** (Completeness and Initiality of Upgrade). *The upgrade returns the least  $\Gamma$ -supertype of  $P$  well-formed in  $\Delta$ . Assuming  $P$  is well-formed in  $\Gamma = \Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm$ , For any  $Q'$  such that*

1.  $\Delta \vdash Q'$  and
2.  $\Gamma \vdash Q' \geq_1 P$ ,

*The result of the upgrade algorithm  $Q$  exists (**upgrade**  $\Gamma \vdash P \text{ to } \Delta = Q$ ) and satisfies  $\Delta \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q$ .*

*Proof.* Let us consider fresh (not intersecting with  $\Gamma$ )  $\vec{\beta}^\pm$  and  $\vec{\gamma}^\pm$ .

If we apply substitution  $\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm$  to both sides of  $\Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm \vdash Q' \geq_1 P$ , we have  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm \vdash [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]Q' \geq_1 [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$ , which by ??, since  $Q'$  is well-formed in  $\Delta$ , simplifies to  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm \vdash Q' \geq_1 [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$ .

Analogously, if we apply substitution  $\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm$  to both sides of  $\Delta, \vec{\alpha}^\pm \vdash Q' \geq_1 P$ , we have  $\Delta, \vec{\gamma}^\pm \vdash Q' \geq_1 [\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$ .

This way,  $Q$  is a common supertype of  $[\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$  and  $[\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P$  in context  $\Delta, \vec{\beta}^\pm, \vec{\gamma}^\pm$ . This way, we can apply the completeness of the least upper bound (lemma 33):

1. there exists  $Q$  s.t.  $\Gamma \models [\vec{\beta}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P \vee [\vec{\gamma}^\pm/\vec{\alpha}^\pm]P = Q'$
2.  $\Gamma \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q$ .

The former means that the upgrade algorithm terminates and returns  $Q$ . The latter means that since both  $Q'$  and  $Q$  are well-formed in  $\Delta$ , by ??,  $\Delta \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q$ .  $\square$

## 4.10 Upper Bounds

**Lemma 29** (Decomposition of the quantifier rule). *Ilya: move somewhere Whenever the quantifier rule (Rule  $(\exists^{\geq_1})$  or Rule  $(\forall^{\leq_1})$ ) is applied, one can assume that the rule adding quantifiers on the right-hand side was applied the last.*

- If  $\Gamma \vdash N \leq_1 \forall \vec{\beta}^+. M$  then  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^+ \vdash N \leq_1 M$ .
- + If  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q$  then  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P \geq_1 Q$ .

**Lemma 30** (Characterization of the Supertypes). *Let us define the set of upper bounds of a positive type  $\text{UB}(P)$  in the following way:*

$\Gamma \vdash P$	$\text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P)$
$\Gamma \vdash \beta^+$	$\{\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \beta^+ \mid \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-\}$
$\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q$	$\text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q) \text{ not using } \vec{\beta}^-$
$\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M$	$\left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t.} \\ \Gamma \vdash N_i, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \end{array} \right\}$
Then $\text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P) \equiv \{Q \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P\}$ .	

*Proof.* By induction on  $\Gamma \vdash P$ .

**Case 1.**  $P = \beta^+$

Immediately from lemma 2

**Case 2.**  $P = \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P'$

Then if  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P'$ , then by lemma 29,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P'$ , and  $\mathbf{fv} Q \cap \vec{\beta}^- = \emptyset$  by the the Barendregt's convention. The other direction holds by Rule ( $\exists^{\geq_1}$ ). This way,  $\{Q \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P'\} = \{Q \mid \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P' \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \vec{\beta}^- = \emptyset\}$ . From the induction hypothesis, the latter is equal to  $\text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P')$  not using  $\vec{\beta}^-$ , i.e.  $\text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P')$ .

**Case 3.**  $P = \downarrow M$

Then let us consider two subcases upper bounds without outer quantifiers (we denote the corresponding set restriction as  $|\#$ ) and upper bounds with outer quantifiers ( $|\exists$ ). We prove that for both of these groups, the restricted sets are equal.

a.  $Q \neq \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q'$

Then the last applied rule to infer  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \downarrow M$  must be Rule ( $\downarrow^{\geq_1}$ ), which means  $Q = \downarrow M'$ , and by inversion,  $\Gamma \vdash M' \simeq_1^< M$ , then by lemma 26 and Rule ( $\downarrow^{\simeq_1^D}$ ),  $\downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M$ . This way,  $Q = \downarrow M' \in \{\downarrow M' \mid \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M\} = \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M)|_{\#}$ .

In the other direction,  $\downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \downarrow M' \simeq_1^< \downarrow M$  by lemma 22, since  $\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M'$  by lemma 21

$\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \downarrow M' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  by inversion

b.  $Q = \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q'$  (for non-empty  $\vec{\beta}^-$ )

Then the last rule applied to infer  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. Q' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  must be Rule ( $\exists^{\geq_1}$ ). Inversion of this rule gives us  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] Q' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  for some  $\Gamma \vdash N_i$ . Notice that  $[\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] Q'$  has no outer quantifiers. Thus from case 3.a,  $[\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] Q' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M$ , which is only possible if  $Q' = \downarrow M'$ . This way,  $Q = \exists \vec{\beta}^-. \downarrow M' \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M)|_{\exists}$  (notice that  $\vec{\beta}^-$  is not empty).

In the other direction,  $[\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^< \downarrow M$  by lemma 22, since  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] \downarrow M'$  by lemma 21

$\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] \downarrow M' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  by inversion

$\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. \downarrow M' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  by Rule ( $\exists^{\geq_1}$ )

□

**Lemma 31** (Characterization of the Normalized Supertypes). *For a normalized positive type  $P = \mathbf{nf}(P)$ , let us define the set of normalized upper bounds in the following way:*

$\Gamma \vdash P$	$\text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash P)$
$\Gamma \vdash \beta^+$	$\{\beta^+\}$
$\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P$	$\text{NFUB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P) \text{ not using } \vec{\beta}^-$
$\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M$	$\left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash N_i, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\}$
Then $\text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash P) \equiv \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P\}$ .	

*Proof.* By induction on  $\Gamma \vdash P$ .

**Case 1.**  $P = \beta^+$

Then from lemma 30,  $\{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \beta^+\} = \{\mathbf{nf}(\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \beta^+) \mid \text{for some } \vec{\alpha}^-\} = \{\beta^+\}$

**Case 2.**  $P = \exists \overrightarrow{\beta^-}. P'$

$\text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \overrightarrow{\beta^-}. P') = \text{NFUB}(\Gamma, \overrightarrow{\beta^-} \vdash P')$  not using  $\overrightarrow{\beta^-}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma, \overrightarrow{\beta^-} \vdash Q \geq_1 P'\} \text{ not using } \overrightarrow{\beta^-} && \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
&= \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma, \overrightarrow{\beta^-} \vdash Q \geq_1 P' \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{fv} Q \cap \overrightarrow{\beta^-} = \emptyset\} && \text{because } \mathbf{fv} \mathbf{nf}(Q) = \mathbf{fv} Q \text{ by lemma 15} \\
&= \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma, \overrightarrow{\beta^-} \vdash P') \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{fv} Q \cap \overrightarrow{\beta^-} = \emptyset\} && \text{by lemma 30} \\
&= \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \overrightarrow{\beta^-}. P')\} && \text{by the definition of UB} \\
&= \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \overrightarrow{\beta^-}. P'\} && \text{by lemma 30}
\end{aligned}$$

**Case 3.**  $P = \downarrow M$

In the following reasoning, we will use the following principle of variable replacement.

**Observation 1.** Suppose that  $\nu : A \rightarrow A$  is an idempotent function,  $P$  is a predicate on  $A$ ,  $F : A \rightarrow B$  is a function. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
&\{F(\nu x) \mid x \in A \text{ s.t. } P(\nu x)\} = \\
&= \{F(x) \mid x \in A \text{ s.t. } \nu x = x \text{ and } P(x)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

In our case, the idempotent  $\nu$  will be normalization, variable ordering, or domain restriction.

Another observation we will use is the following.

**Observation 2.** For functions  $F$  and  $\nu$ , and predicates  $P$  and  $Q$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\{F(\nu x) \mid x \in A \text{ s.t. } Q(\nu x) \text{ and } P(x)\} = \\
&= \{F(\nu x) \mid x \in A \text{ s.t. } Q(\nu x) \text{ and } (\exists x' \in A \text{ s.t. } P(x') \text{ and } \nu x' = \nu x)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Observation 3.** There exist positive and negative types well-formed in empty context, hence, a type substitution can be extended to an arbitrary domain (if its values on the domain extension are irrelevant). Specifically, Suppose that  $\text{vars}_1 \subseteq \text{vars}_2$ . Then  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma|_{\text{vars}_1} : \text{vars}_1$  implies  $\exists \sigma' \text{ s.t. } \Gamma \vdash \sigma' : \text{vars}_2 \text{ and } \sigma|_{\text{vars}_1} = \sigma'|_{\text{vars}_1}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geqslant_1 \downarrow M\} = \\
& = \{\mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid Q \in \mathbf{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M)\} \\
& = \left\{ \mathbf{nf}(\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash N_i, \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \mathbf{nf}(\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-, \text{ and } [\sigma] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \mathbf{nf}(\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-, \text{ and } [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}] \downarrow M' \simeq_1^D \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } \mathbf{nf}([\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}] \downarrow M') = \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M) \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\mathbf{nf}(\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'})] \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M') = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M) \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ (\exists \sigma' \text{ s.t. } \Gamma \vdash \sigma' : \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ and } \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(\downarrow M')} = \sigma'|_{\mathbf{fv}(\downarrow M')}) \\ \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \text{ and } [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'} : \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\sigma] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\sigma] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, M', \sigma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \vdash M', \\ \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \text{ and } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \\ \text{and } [\sigma] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^{-'} . \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^{-'}, \\ \Gamma \vdash N_i, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^{-'}] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M \end{array} \right\} \\
& = \mathbf{NFUB}(\downarrow M)
\end{aligned}$$

by lemma 30

by the definition of UB

we reassigned the substitution  $\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-$  as  $\sigma$

by lemma 3

by the definition of normalization

from lemmas 16 and 18, equivalence of types can be replaced with the equality of their normal forms

by congruence of normalization and lemma 17

by lemma 20,  $\downarrow M'$  and  $\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}$  are already normal, since the result of the substitution is normal;  $M$  is normal by assumption

We apply observation 2 (with  $\nu\sigma = \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}$ , and  $P(\sigma) = \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^-$ )

Notice that  
“ $\exists \sigma' \text{ s.t. } (\Gamma \vdash \sigma' : \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ and } \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(\downarrow M')} = \sigma'|_{\mathbf{fv}(\downarrow M')})$ ”  
is equivalent to  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(\downarrow M')} : \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \text{ (observation 3)}$

We apply observation 1 to the restriction of  $\sigma$ , and remove  $\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'} = \sigma$  as it follows from  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma : \vec{\alpha}^{-'}$

by lemma 6, since  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \cap \mathbf{fv} M' = \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^{-'} \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$

We apply observation 1 to the ordering of  $\vec{\alpha}^-$

By reassigning  $\sigma$  explicitly as  $\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^{-'}$

by definition

□

**Observation 4.** Upper bounds of a type do not depend on the context as soon as the type are well-formed in it.

If  $\Gamma_1 \vdash M$  and  $\Gamma_2 \vdash M$  then  $\mathbf{UB}(\Gamma_1 \vdash M) = \mathbf{UB}(\Gamma_2 \vdash M)$  and  $\mathbf{NFUB}(\Gamma_1 \vdash M) = \mathbf{NFUB}(\Gamma_2 \vdash M)$

*Proof.* We prove both inclusions by induction on  $\Gamma_1 \vdash M$ . Notice that if  $[\sigma]M' \simeq_1^D M$  and  $\Gamma_2 \vdash M$  then the types from the range of  $\sigma|_{\mathbf{fv} M'}$  are well-formed in 2 **Ilya: lemma**. □

**Lemma 32** (Soundness of the Least Upper Bound). For types  $\Gamma \vdash P_1$ , and  $\Gamma \vdash P_2$ , if  $\Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q$  then

(i)  $\Gamma \vdash Q$

(ii)  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_2$

*Proof.* Induction on  $\Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q$ .

**Case 1.**  $\Gamma \models \alpha^+ \vee \alpha^+ = \alpha^+$

Then  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+$  by assumption, and  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 \alpha^+$  by Rule (Var<sup>+</sup><sub>1</sub>).

**Case 2.**  $\Gamma \models \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. P_1 \vee \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P_2 = Q$

Then by inversion of  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. P_i$  and weakening,  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P_i$ , hence, the induction hypothesis applies to  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q$ . Then

- (i)  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q$ ,
- (ii)  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1$ ,
- (iii)  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P_2$ .

To prove  $\Gamma \vdash Q$ , it suffices to show that  $\mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- = \mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \Gamma$  (and then apply lemma 6). The inclusion right-to-left is self-evident. To show  $\mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \Gamma$ , we prove that  $\mathbf{fv}(Q) \subseteq \Gamma$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{fv}(Q) &\subseteq \mathbf{fv} P_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} P_2 && \text{by lemma 1} \\ &\subseteq (\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \setminus \vec{\beta}^-) \cap (\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \setminus \vec{\alpha}^-) && \begin{array}{l} \text{since } \Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. P_1, \mathbf{fv}(P_1) \subseteq \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- = \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \setminus \vec{\beta}^- \\ \text{(the latter is because by the Barendregt's convention,} \\ \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \cap \vec{\beta}^- = \emptyset); \text{ similarly, } \mathbf{fv}(P_2) \subseteq \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \setminus \vec{\alpha}^- \end{array} \\ &\subseteq \Gamma \end{aligned}$$

To show  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. P_1$ , we apply Rule ( $\exists$ <sub>1</sub><sup>1</sup>). Then  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1$  holds since  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^-, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1$  (by the induction hypothesis),  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash Q$  (by weakening), and  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash P_1$ .

Judgment  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P_2$  is proved symmetrically.

**Case 3.**  $\Gamma \models \downarrow N \vee \downarrow M = \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. [\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P$ . By the inversion,  $\Gamma, \cdot \models \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow N) \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M) = (\Xi, P, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)$ . Then by the soundness of anti-unification (lemma 7),

(i)  $\Gamma; \Xi \vdash P$ , then by ??,

$$\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash [\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P \quad (7)$$

(ii)  $\Gamma; \cdot \vdash \hat{\tau}_1 : \Xi$  and  $\Gamma; \cdot \vdash \hat{\tau}_2 : \Xi$ . Assuming that  $\Xi = \hat{\beta}_1^-, \dots, \hat{\beta}_n^-$ , the antiunification solutions  $\hat{\tau}_1$  and  $\hat{\tau}_2$  can be put explicitly as  $\hat{\tau}_1 = (\hat{\beta}_1^- : \approx N_1, \dots, \hat{\beta}_n^- : \approx N_n)$ , and  $\hat{\tau}_2 = (\hat{\beta}_1^- : \approx M_1, \dots, \hat{\beta}_n^- : \approx M_n)$ . Then

$$\hat{\tau}_1 = (\vec{N} / \vec{\alpha}^-) \circ (\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi) \quad (8)$$

$$\hat{\tau}_2 = (\vec{M} / \vec{\alpha}^-) \circ (\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi) \quad (9)$$

(iii)  $[\hat{\tau}_1] Q = P_1$  and  $[\hat{\tau}_2] Q = P_1$ , which, by 8 and 9, means

$$[\vec{N} / \vec{\alpha}^-][\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P = \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow N) \quad (10)$$

$$[\vec{M} / \vec{\alpha}^-][\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P = \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M) \quad (11)$$

Then  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. [\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P$  follows directly from 7.

To show  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. [\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow N$ , we apply Rule ( $\exists$ <sub>1</sub><sup>1</sup>), instantiating  $\vec{\alpha}^-$  with  $\vec{N}$ . Then  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N} / \vec{\alpha}^-][\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow N$  follows from 10 and since  $\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow N) \geq_1 \downarrow N$  (by corollary 12).

Analogously, instantiating  $\vec{\alpha}^-$  with  $\vec{M}$ , gives us  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{M} / \vec{\alpha}^-][\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow M$  (from 11), and hence,  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. [\vec{\alpha}^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow M$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 33** (Completeness and Initiality of the Least Upper Bound). *For types  $\Gamma \vdash P_1$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash P_2$ , and  $\Gamma \vdash Q$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_2$ , there exists  $Q'$  s.t.  $\Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q'$  and  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$ .*

*Proof.* Induction on the pair  $(P_1, P_2)$ . From lemma 31,  $Q \in \mathbf{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P_1) \cap \mathbf{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P_2)$ . Let us consider the cases of what  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are (i.e. the last rules to infer  $\Gamma \vdash P_i$ ).

**Case 1.**  $P_1 = \exists \vec{\beta}^-_1. Q_1$ ,  $P_2 = \exists \vec{\beta}^-_2. Q_2$ , where either  $\vec{\beta}^-_1$  or  $\vec{\beta}^-_2$  is not empty

Then  $Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-_1. Q_1) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-_2. Q_2)$   
 $\subseteq \text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1 \vdash Q_1) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q_2)$  from the definition of UB  
 $= \text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q_1) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q_2)$  by observation 4, weakening and exchange  
 $= \{Q' \mid \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q_1\} \cap \{Q' \mid \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q_2\}$  by lemma 30,  
 meaning that  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q_1$  and  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q_2$ . Then the next step of the algorithm—the recursive call  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q_1 \vee Q_2 = Q'$  terminates by the induction hypothesis, and moreover,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$ . This way, the result of the algorithm is  $Q'$ , i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash P_1 \vee P_2 = Q'$ .

Since both  $Q$  and  $Q'$  are sound,  $\Gamma \vdash Q$  and  $\Gamma \vdash Q'$ , and therefore,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$  can be strengthened to  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$  by ??.

**Case 2.**  $P_1 = \alpha^+$  and  $P_2 = \downarrow N$

Then the set of common upper bounds of  $\downarrow N$  and  $\alpha^+$  is empty, and thus,  $Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P_1) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P_2)$  gives a contradiction:  
 $Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \downarrow N)$   
 $= \{\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \alpha^+ \mid \dots\} \cap \{\exists \vec{\beta}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \dots\}$  by the definition of UB  
 $= \emptyset$  since  $\alpha^+ \neq \downarrow M'$  for any  $M'$

**Case 3.**  $P_1 = \downarrow N$  and  $P_2 = \alpha^+$

Symmetric to case 2

**Case 4.**  $P_1 = \alpha^+$  and  $P_2 = \beta^+$  (where  $\beta^+ \neq \alpha^+$ )

Similarly to case 2, the set of common upper bounds is empty, which leads to the contradiction:

$Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \beta^+)$   
 $= \{\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \alpha^+ \mid \dots\} \cap \{\exists \vec{\beta}^-. \beta^+ \mid \dots\}$  by the definition of UB  
 $= \emptyset$  since  $\alpha^+ \neq \beta^+$

**Case 5.**  $P_1 = \alpha^+$  and  $P_2 = \alpha^+$

Then the algorithm terminates in one step (Rule (Var<sup>v</sup>)) and the result is  $\alpha^+$ , i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \vee \alpha^+ = \alpha^+$ .

Since  $Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+)$ ,  $Q = \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \alpha^+$ . Then  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \alpha^+ \geq_1 \alpha^+$  by Rule ( $\exists \geq_1$ ):  $\vec{\alpha}^-$  can be instantiated with arbitrary negative types (for example  $\forall \beta^+. \uparrow \beta^+$ ), since the substitution for unused variables does not change the term  $[\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \alpha^+ = \alpha^+$ , and then  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha^+ \geq_1 \alpha^+$  by Rule ( $\text{Var}^+ \geq_1$ ).

**Case 6.**  $P_1 = \downarrow M_1$  and  $P_2 = \downarrow M_2$

Then on the next step, the algorithm tries to anti-unify  $\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_1)$  and  $\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_2)$ . By lemma 8, to show that the anti-unification algorithm terminates, it suffices to demonstrate that a sound anti-unification solution exists.

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{nf}(Q) &\in \text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_1)) \cap \text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_2)) \\ &= \text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_1)) \cap \text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_2)) \\ &= \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash N_i, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_1) \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \bigcap \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_1, \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_2, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_2) \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \vec{N}_1 \text{ and } \vec{N}_2 \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord} \vec{\alpha}^- \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_1, \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_2, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', [\vec{N}_1/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_1), \text{ and } [\vec{N}_2/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_2) \end{array} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

The fact that the latter set is non-empty means that there exist  $\vec{\alpha}^-, M', \vec{N}_1$  and  $\vec{N}_2$  such that

- (i)  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M'$  (notice that  $M'$  is normal)
- (ii)  $\Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_2$ ,
- (iii)  $[\vec{N}_1/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_1)$  and  $[\vec{N}_2/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_2)$



For each negative variable  $\alpha^-$  from  $\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}$ , let us choose a fresh negative anti-unification variable  $\hat{\alpha}^-$ , and denote the list of these variables as  $\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}$ . Let us show that  $(\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}, [\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M', \overrightarrow{N_1}/\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}, \overrightarrow{N_2}/\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-})$  is a sound anti-unifier of  $\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_1)$  and  $\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_2)$  in context  $\Gamma$ :

- $\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}$  is negative by construction,
- $\Gamma; \overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-} \vdash [\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M'$  because  $\Gamma, \overrightarrow{\alpha^-} \vdash \downarrow M'$  **Ilya: lemma!**,
- $\Gamma; \cdot \vdash (\overrightarrow{N_1}/\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}) : \overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}$  because  $\Gamma \vdash \overrightarrow{N_1}$  and  $\Gamma; \cdot \vdash (\overrightarrow{N_2}/\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}) : \overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}$  because  $\Gamma \vdash \overrightarrow{N_2}$ ,
- $[\overrightarrow{N_1}/\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}][\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M' = [\overrightarrow{N_1}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_1) = \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_1)$ .
- $[\overrightarrow{N_2}/\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}][\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M' = [\overrightarrow{N_2}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M' = \downarrow \mathbf{nf}(M_2) = \mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_2)$ .

Then by the completeness of the anti-unification (lemma 8), the anti-unification algorithm terminates, so is the Least Upper Bound algorithm invoking it, i.e.  $Q' = \exists \overrightarrow{\beta^-}. [\overrightarrow{\beta^-}/\Xi]P$ , where  $(\Xi, P, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)$  is the result of the anti-unification of  $\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_1)$  and  $\mathbf{nf}(\downarrow M_2)$  in context  $\Gamma$ .

Moreover, lemma 8 also says that the found solution is initial, i.e. there exists  $\hat{\tau}$  such that  $\Gamma; \Xi \vdash \hat{\tau} : \overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}$  and  $[\hat{\tau}][\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M' = P$ .

Let  $\sigma$  be a sequential Kleisli composition of the following substitutions: (i)  $\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}$ , (ii)  $\hat{\tau}$ , and (iii)  $\overrightarrow{\beta^-}/\Xi$ . Notice that  $\Gamma, \overrightarrow{\beta^-} \vdash \sigma : \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}$  and  $[\sigma]\downarrow M' = [\overrightarrow{\beta^-}/\Xi][\hat{\tau}][\overrightarrow{\hat{\alpha}^-}/\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}]\downarrow M' = [\overrightarrow{\beta^-}/\Xi]P$ . In particular, from the reflexivity of subtyping:  $\Gamma, \overrightarrow{\beta^-} \vdash [\sigma]\downarrow M' \geq_1 [\overrightarrow{\beta^-}/\Xi]P$ .

It allows us to show  $\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(Q) \geq_1 Q'$ , i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \overrightarrow{\alpha^-}. \downarrow M' \geq_1 \exists \overrightarrow{\beta^-}. [\overrightarrow{\beta^-}/\Xi]P$ , by applying Rule  $(\exists \geq_1)$ , instantiating  $\overrightarrow{\alpha^-}$  with respect to  $\sigma$ . Finally,  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$  since  $\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{nf}(Q) \simeq_1^{\leq} Q$ , and equivalence implies subtyping by **Ilya: lemma**.

□