

# 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

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

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

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

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

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

$\boxed{P \simeq Q}$

## 3 Algorithm

### 3.1 Normalization

#### 3.1.1 Ordering

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 3.1.2 Quantifier Normalization

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 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

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

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

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

### 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

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

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)

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

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

### 3.6 Antiunification

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

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

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

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

## 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  $\Gamma \vdash P \overset{a}{\simeq}_1 Q$ ), 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.**  $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow N \leqslant_1 Q \rightarrow M$  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. □

## 4.2 Substitution

**Lemma 2** (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 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  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P \geq_1 Q$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]P \geq_1 [\sigma]Q$
- if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash M$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N \leq_1 M$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]N \leq_1 [\sigma]M$

*Proof.* **Ilya:** **todo** □

**Corollary 1** (Substitution preserves subtyping). *Suppose that  $\Gamma_2 \vdash \sigma : \Gamma_1$ . Then*

- + if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash Q$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash P \preceq_1 Q$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]P \preceq_1 [\sigma]Q$
- if  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash M$ , and  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1 \vdash N \preceq_1 M$  then  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2 \vdash [\sigma]N \preceq_1 [\sigma]M$

## 4.3 Type well-formedness

**Lemma 4** (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 2.** *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 5** (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  $Q$ . □

## 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	$\frac{\Gamma \models P_1 \simeq P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{(\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Xi \text{ is negative} \\ \Gamma; \Xi \vdash Q \\ \Gamma; \cdot \vdash \hat{\tau}_i : \Xi \\ [\hat{\tau}_i] Q = P_i \end{array} \right. \text{ is sound}}$	$\frac{\exists \text{ sound } (\Xi', Q', \hat{\tau}'_1, \hat{\tau}'_2)}{\exists (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2) \text{ s.t. } \Gamma \models P_1 \simeq P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}$	$\frac{(\Xi', Q', \hat{\tau}'_1, \hat{\tau}'_2) \text{ is sound } \quad \Gamma \models P_1 \simeq P_2 \Rightarrow (\Xi, Q, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)}{\exists \Gamma; \Xi \vdash \hat{\tau} : \Xi' \text{ s.t. } [\hat{\tau}] Q' = Q}$
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 6** (Soundness of the anti-unification algorithm).

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

**Lemma 8** (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 9** (Soundness of variable ordering). *Variable ordering extracts precisely used free variables.*

- $\{\mathbf{ord\ vars\ in\ } N\} \equiv \mathbf{vars} \cap \mathbf{fv\ } N$  (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 3** (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 4** (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 10** (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 $_{\notin}^+$ ). 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 $_{\notin}^+$ ), 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 $_{\notin}^+$ ). To prove that  $\mathbf{ord} [\mu]vars \mathbf{in} [\mu]\alpha^- = \cdot$ , we apply Rule (Var $_{\notin}^+$ ). 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 $_{\notin}^+$ ), 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.**  $N = \forall \alpha^+ . M$

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

□

**Lemma 11** (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 12** (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 13.** *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 14.** *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 15** (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.  $\mathbf{nf}\,(\forall \alpha^+ . N) = \forall \alpha^+ . N'$

From the induction hypothesis, we know that  $N \simeq_1^D N'$ . In particular, by lemma 13,  $\mathbf{fv}\,N \equiv \mathbf{fv}\,N'$ . Then by lemma 9,  $\{\alpha^+\} \equiv \{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N' \equiv \{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N$ , and thus,  $\{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N' \equiv \{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N$ .

To prove  $\forall \alpha^+ . N \simeq_1^D \forall \alpha^+ . N'$ , it suffices to provide a bijection  $\mu : \{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N' \leftrightarrow \{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv}\,N$  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 5** (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 12 and 15. □

**Lemma 16** (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.**  $N = \alpha^-$

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

**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.**  $N = \forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}. M$

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(N) &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(\forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}. M) \\ &= [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}'. \mathbf{nf}\,(M) \quad \text{Where } \vec{\alpha}^+ = \mathbf{ord}\,\{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}\,(M) = \mathbf{ord}\,\{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \text{ in } M \text{ (the latter is by corollary 5)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]N) &= \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]\forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}. M) \\ &= \mathbf{nf}\,(\forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}. [\sigma]M) && \text{Assuming } \{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \cap \{\Gamma_1\} = \emptyset \text{ and } \{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \cap \{\Gamma_2\} = \emptyset \\ &= \forall \beta^{\vec{\beta}^+}. \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) && \text{Where } \vec{\beta}^+ = \mathbf{ord}\,\{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \text{ in } \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) = \mathbf{ord}\,\{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \text{ in } [\sigma]M \text{ (the latter is by corollary 5)} \\ &= \forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}'. \mathbf{nf}\,([\sigma]M) && \text{By lemma 11, } \vec{\beta}^+ = \vec{\alpha}^+ \text{ since } \{\alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}\} \text{ is disjoint with } \Gamma_1 \text{ and } \Gamma_2 \\ &= \forall \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}'. [\mathbf{nf}\,(\sigma)]\mathbf{nf}\,(M) && \text{By the induction hypothesis} \end{aligned}$$

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

**Case 5.**  $P = \exists \alpha^{\vec{\alpha}^+}. Q$

Same as for case 4.

□

**Corollary 6** (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 16, after noticing that  $\mathbf{nf}(\mu) = \mu$ . □

**Lemma 17** (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.** ( $\forall \alpha^{\vec{+}}_1$ )

From the definition of the normalization,

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

Let us take  $\mu : (\{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \leftrightarrow (\{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$  from the inversion of the equivalence judgment. Notice that from lemmas 9 and 14, the domain and the codomain of  $\mu$  can be written as  $\mu : \{\beta^{\vec{+}'}\} \leftrightarrow \{\alpha^{\vec{+}'}\}$ .

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

(i)  $[\mu] \mathbf{nf}(M) = \mathbf{nf}([\mu]M) = \mathbf{nf}(N)$ . The first equality holds by corollary 6, the second—by the induction hypothesis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) } [\mu] \beta^{\vec{+}'} &= [\mu] \mathbf{ord} \{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \mathbf{in} \mathbf{nf}(M) && \text{by the definition of } \beta^{\vec{+}'} \\
 &= [\mu] \mathbf{ord} (\{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \mathbf{in} \mathbf{nf}(M) && \text{from lemma 14 and corollary 4} \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu](\{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \mathbf{in} [\mu] \mathbf{nf}(M) && \text{by lemma 10, because } \{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N \cap \mathbf{fv} \mathbf{nf}(M) \subseteq \{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M = \emptyset \\
 &&& \text{and } \{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N \cap (\{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \subseteq \{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M = \emptyset \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} [\mu](\{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \mathbf{in} \mathbf{nf}(N) && \text{since } [\mu] \mathbf{nf}(M) = \mathbf{nf}(N) \text{ is proved} \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} (\{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N) \mathbf{in} \mathbf{nf}(N) && \text{because } \mu \text{ is a bijection between } \{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N \text{ and } \{\beta^{\vec{+}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M \\
 &= \mathbf{ord} \{\alpha^{\vec{+}}\} \mathbf{in} \mathbf{nf}(N) && \text{from lemma 14 and corollary 4} \\
 &= \alpha^{\vec{+}'} && \text{by the definition of } \alpha^{\vec{+}'}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2.** ( $\exists \alpha^{\vec{+}}_1$ ) 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 18** (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 17 to lemma 15. □

**Lemma 19.** *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.**  $N = P \rightarrow M$

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

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

By congruence and the inductive hypothesis, similar to case 2

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

$$\begin{aligned}
[\sigma](\forall \alpha^+. M) \text{ is normal} &\iff (\forall \alpha^+. [\sigma]M) \text{ is normal} && \text{assuming } \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \cap \Gamma_1 = \emptyset \text{ and } \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset \\
&\iff \begin{cases} [\sigma]M \text{ is normal} \\ \mathbf{ord} \{ \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \} \text{ in } [\sigma]M = \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \end{cases} && \text{by the definition of normalization} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} [\sigma]M \text{ is normal} \\ \mathbf{ord} \{ \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \} \text{ in } M = \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \end{cases} && \text{by lemma 11} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(M)} \text{ is normal} \\ M \text{ is normal} \\ \mathbf{ord} \{ \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \} \text{ in } M = \overrightarrow{\alpha^+} \end{cases} && \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
&\iff \begin{cases} \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(\forall \alpha^+. M)} \text{ is normal} \\ \forall \alpha^+. M \text{ is normal} \end{cases} && \begin{array}{l} \text{since } \mathbf{fv}(\forall \alpha^+. M) = \mathbf{fv}(M); \\ \text{by the definition of normalization} \end{array}
\end{aligned}$$

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

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

□

## 4.8 Equivalence

**Lemma 20** (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 7** (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 15 and 20.

□

**Corollary 8** (Normalization preserves well-formedness of substitution).

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

**Lemma 21** (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  $\mu : (\{\beta^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M) \leftrightarrow (\{\alpha^+\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$ , such that  $N \simeq_1^D [\mu]M$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu]M$ . From corollary 1 and the fact that  $\mu$  is bijective, we also have  $\Gamma, \beta^+ \vdash [\mu^{-1}]N \simeq_1^\leq M$ .

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

Notice that  $[\mu]M = [\overrightarrow{P}/\overrightarrow{\beta^+}]M$ , and therefore,  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash N \simeq_1^\leq [\mu]M$  implies  $\Gamma, \alpha^+ \vdash [\overrightarrow{P}/\overrightarrow{\beta^+}]M \leq_1 N$ . 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  $\overrightarrow{\alpha^+}$  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. □

**Lemma 22** (Completeness of equivalence). *Mutual subtyping implies declarative equivalence.*

- + 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.* Ilya: todo □

**Lemma 23.** *Informally, this lemma says that if  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]P \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \geq_1 P$  holds for substitutions  $\sigma_{12}$  and  $\sigma_{21}$  then these substitutions are in fact mutually inverse bijections between variables  $\text{vars}_1$  and  $\text{vars}_2$ .*

+ For  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash P$ ,  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash Q$ ,  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} : \text{vars}_1$ ,  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash \sigma_{21} : \text{vars}_2$ , suppose that:

1.  $\{n \mid \alpha^{\pm n} \in \text{vars}_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} Q\} = \{n \mid \alpha^{\pm n} \in \text{vars}_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} P\}$ ,
2.  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]P \geq_1 Q$ ,
3.  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \geq_1 P$ .

Then there exists a bijection  $\mu : \text{vars}_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} Q \leftrightarrow \text{vars}_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} P$  such that:

1.  $\mu$  preserves cohorts:  $\mu(\alpha^{\pm n}) = \beta^{\pm n}$  ( $\alpha^{\pm n}$  and  $\beta^{\pm n}$  have the same cohort label  $\pm n$ ).
2.  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} \simeq_1^\leq \mu : (\text{vars}_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} Q)$  (the equivalence is pointwise)
3.  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash \sigma_{21} \simeq_1^\leq \mu^{-1} : (\text{vars}_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} P)$  (the equivalence is pointwise)

– For  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash N$ ,  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash M$ ,  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} : \text{vars}_1$ ,  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash \sigma_{21} : \text{vars}_2$ , suppose that:

1.  $\{n \mid \alpha^{\pm n} \in \text{vars}_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M\} = \{n \mid \beta^{\pm n} \in \text{vars}_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N\}$ ,
2.  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$ ,
3.  $\Gamma, \text{vars}_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$ .

Then there exists a bijection  $\mu : \text{vars}_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M \leftrightarrow \text{vars}_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N$  such that:

1.  $\mu$  preserves cohorts:  $\mu(\alpha^{\pm n}) = \beta^{\pm n}$  ( $\alpha^{\pm n}$  and  $\beta^{\pm n}$  have the same cohort label  $\pm n$ ).

2.  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} \simeq_1^\leq \mu : (vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M)$  (the equivalence is pointwise)
3.  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \sigma_{21} \simeq_1^\leq \mu^{-1} : (vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$  (the equivalence is pointwise)

*Proof.* Mutual induction on the pair of sizes of inference trees:  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$  (or the corresponding trees in the positive case).

**Case 1.**  $N = \forall \vec{\delta}^+. \beta^{-n}$ , for  $\beta^{-n} \in vars_2$  and possibly empty  $\vec{\delta}^+$

Then by ?? Ilya: lemma  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 \forall \vec{\delta}^+. \beta^{-n}$  means that  $[\sigma_{12}]M = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. \beta^{-n}$ , which (since  $\beta^{-n} \notin \mathbf{fv} M$ ) is only possible when  $M = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. \alpha^{-n'}$  (where  $\alpha^{-n'} \in vars_1$  and  $\vec{\gamma}^+$  is possibly empty), and  $\sigma_{12}(\alpha^{-n'}) = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. \beta^{-n}$ . Notice that by the first condition, the sets of cohort labels of  $vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M$  and  $vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N$  must be equal, which means  $n = n'$ . Also notice that  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. \beta^{-n} \simeq_1^\leq \beta^{-n}$ .

Then  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$  becomes  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]\forall \vec{\delta}^+. \beta^{-n} \leq_1 \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. \alpha^{-n}$ , which by ?? Ilya: lemma implies that  $[\sigma_{21}]\forall \vec{\delta}^+. \beta^{-n} = \forall \vec{\delta}^+. \alpha^{-n}$ , and thus,  $\sigma_{21}(\beta^{-n}) = \forall \vec{\delta}^+. \alpha^{-n}$ . Notice that  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \forall \vec{\delta}^+. \alpha^{-n} \simeq_1^\leq \alpha^{-n}$ .

This way, we can take  $\mu = \alpha^{-n} \mapsto \beta^{-n}$ , which by construction is a bijection preserving cohorts. Moreover,  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. \beta^{-n} \simeq_1^\leq \beta^{-n}$  means  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]\alpha^{-n} \simeq_1^\leq [\mu]\alpha^{-n}$  implying  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} \simeq_1^\leq \mu : (vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M)$ ; and  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \forall \vec{\delta}^+. \alpha^{-n} \simeq_1^\leq \alpha^{-n}$  means  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]\beta^{-n} \simeq_1^\leq [\mu^{-1}]\beta^{-n}$  implying  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \sigma_{21} \simeq_1^\leq \mu^{-1} : (vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$ .

**Case 2.** The last rule to infer  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$  was Rule (Var $^{\leq_1}$ ), i.e.  $[\sigma_{21}]N = M = \gamma^-$ .

Then the case when  $\gamma^- \in vars_2$ , has been covered by case 1, so we assume that  $\gamma^- \notin vars_2$ , and thus,  $N = \gamma^-$ .

Notice that  $\gamma^- \notin vars_1$  because otherwise,  $vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} N \neq \emptyset$ , which would contradict with  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash N$ .

Then  $\mathbf{fv} N \cap vars_2 = \{\gamma^-\} \cap vars_2 = \emptyset$  and  $\mathbf{fv} M \cap vars_1 = \{\gamma^-\} \cap vars_1 = \emptyset$ . Hence, we take the empty  $\mu : \emptyset \leftrightarrow \emptyset$ , which vacuously satisfies the required properties.

**Case 3.** The last rule to infer  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$  was Rule ( $\uparrow^{\leq_1}$ ), i.e.  $[\sigma_{21}]N = \uparrow P$ ,  $M = \uparrow Q$ , and  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$

Since  $N$  is not a variable from the domain of  $\sigma_{21}$  (which has been covered by case 1), the substitution applied to  $N$  must preserve its outer shape. Specifically,  $[\sigma_{21}]N = \uparrow P$  means  $[\sigma_{21}]N = [\sigma_{21}]\uparrow P' = \uparrow[\sigma_{21}]P' = \uparrow P$ , i.e.  $N = \uparrow P'$  and  $[\sigma_{21}]P' = P$ . In particular,  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash P \simeq_1^\leq Q$  implies  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash P \geq_1 Q$ , i.e.  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]P' \geq_1 Q$ .

In addition,  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$  becomes  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \uparrow[\sigma_{12}]Q \leq_1 \uparrow P'$ , which is only inferable by Rule ( $\uparrow^{\leq_1}$ ), meaning that  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \simeq_1^\leq P'$ , and in particular,  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \geq_1 P'$ .

Notice that the tree inferring  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \geq_1 P'$  is a proper subtree of  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$ . Analogously,  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]P' \geq_1 Q$  is a proper subtree of  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$ . This way, we apply the induction hypothesis to  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]P' \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \geq_1 P'$  (notice that  $vars_1$ ,  $vars_2$ , and the sets of free variables of the types did not change) and obtain exactly what we aimed.

**Case 4.** The last rule to infer  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$  was Rule ( $\forall^{\leq_1}$ ), i.e.  $[\sigma_{21}]N = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. N'$ ,  $M = \forall \vec{\delta}^+. M'$ , and  $\Gamma, vars_1, \vec{\delta}^+ \vdash [\vec{P}/\vec{\gamma}^+]N' \leq_1 M'$  for  $\Gamma, vars_1, \vec{\delta}^+ \vdash P_i$

Since  $N$  does not have the shape of  $\forall \vec{\delta}^+. \beta^{-n}$ , for  $\beta^{-n} \in vars_2$  (which has been covered by case 1), the substitution applied to  $N$  must preserve its outer shape. Specifically,  $[\sigma_{21}]N = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. N'$  means that  $N$  “starts with”  $\forall \vec{\gamma}^+$ , i.e.  $[\sigma_{21}]N = [\sigma_{21}]\forall \vec{\gamma}^+. N'' = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. [\sigma_{21}]N'' = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. N'$ , where  $N = \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. N''$  and  $[\sigma_{21}]N'' = N'$ .

This way,  $\Gamma, vars_1, \vec{\delta}^+ \vdash [\vec{P}/\vec{\gamma}^+]N' \leq_1 M'$  becomes  $\Gamma, vars_1, \vec{\delta}^+ \vdash [\vec{P}/\vec{\gamma}^+][\sigma_{21}]N'' \leq_1 M'$ . Notice that the tree inferring this judgment is a proper subtree of  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$ .

On the other hand,  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$  becomes  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \forall \vec{\delta}^+. [\sigma_{12}]M' \leq_1 \forall \vec{\gamma}^+. N''$  (where either  $\vec{\delta}^+$  or  $\vec{\gamma}^+$  is non-empty), which is only inferable by Rule ( $\forall^{\leq_1}$ ), meaning that  $\Gamma, vars_2, \vec{\gamma}^+ \vdash [\vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^+][\sigma_{12}]M' \leq_1 N''$  for some  $\Gamma, vars_2, \vec{\gamma}^+ \vdash Q_i$ . Notice that the tree inferring this judgment is a proper subtree of  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$ .

Let us label  $\vec{\gamma}^+$  and  $\vec{\delta}^+$  with a sufficiently large cohort label  $m$  such that  $m > n$  for any  $\alpha^{+n} \in vars_1 \cup vars_2$ . Then we merge  $\vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^{+m}$  and  $\sigma_{12}$  denoting the resulting substitution as  $\sigma'_{12}$  ( $(\Gamma, vars_2, \vec{\gamma}^{+m}) \vdash \sigma'_{12} : (vars_1, \vec{\delta}^{+m})$ ).

What do we mean by merging? The codomains of  $\vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^{+m}$  and  $\sigma_{12}$  are  $\Gamma, vars_2, \vec{\gamma}^{+m}$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2$ , respectively, which are disjoint with both of their domains ( $\vec{\delta}^{+m}$  and  $vars_1$ , respectively). In turn, the domains of  $\vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^{+m}$  and  $\sigma_{12}$  are themselves mutually disjoint. This way, by merging we mean  $\vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^{+m} \cup \sigma_{12}$  (relationally) or  $\vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^{+m} \circ \sigma_{12}$  or  $\sigma_{12} \circ \vec{Q}/\vec{\delta}^{+m}$ , since these three substitutions are equal.

Analogously, we merge  $\vec{P}/\vec{\gamma}^{+m}$  and  $\sigma_{21}$  denoting the resulting substitution as  $\sigma'_{21}$  ( $(\Gamma, vars_1, \vec{\delta}^{+m}) \vdash \sigma'_{21} : (vars_2, \vec{\gamma}^{+m})$ ).

We wish to apply the induction hypothesis to  $\Gamma, vars_1, \vec{\delta}^{+m} \vdash [\sigma'_{21}]N'' \leq_1 M'$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2, \vec{\gamma}^{+m} \vdash [\sigma'_{12}]M' \leq_1 N''$ . To do so, we need to show that the cohort labels of  $(vars_2 \cup \{\vec{\gamma}^{+m}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$  coincide with those of  $(vars_1 \cup \{\vec{\delta}^{+m}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$  (as sets).

**Assertion.** The set of cohorts of  $(vars_2 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$  is equal to the set of cohorts of  $(vars_1 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$ .

*Proof.*  $(vars_2 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} N'' = (vars_2 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\}) \cap (\mathbf{fv} N \cup (\{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N''))$

$$= vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N \cup \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$$

because  $vars_2$  and  $\mathbf{fv} N$  are disjoint with  $\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}$

$$(\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}) \cap \mathbf{fv} M' = vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M \cup \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$$

analogously

Since the cohort labels of  $vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N$  coincide with those of  $vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M$  by the assumption, it suffices to prove that the cohort labels of  $\{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$  and of  $\{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$  coincide. Note that these sets have the same cohorts labels  $m$ , i.e. it is required to show that these sets are either both empty or both non-empty, i.e.  $\{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N'' = \emptyset \iff \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M' = \emptyset$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose that  $\{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M' = \emptyset$ . Then by ??, since  $\Gamma, vars_1, \overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma'_{21}]N'' \leq_1 M'$ ,  $\mathbf{fv} [\sigma'_{21}]N'' \subseteq \mathbf{fv} M'$ , implying that  $\{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} [\sigma'_{21}]N'' = \emptyset$ , and by context strengthening ??,  $\Gamma, vars_1, \overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma'_{21}]N''$  reduces to  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma'_{21}]N''$ .

Let us restrict  $\sigma'_{21}$  to the set of free variables of  $\mathbf{fv} N''$ . Then the domain and codomain of  $\sigma'_{21}$  are the following:  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''} : \{vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N$ . By ??,  $[\sigma'_{21}]N'' = [\sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}]N''$ , and then  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma'_{21}]N'' \leq_1 M'$ , can be rewritten as  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}]N'' \leq_1 M'$ .

Let us apply substitution  $\sigma_{12}$  ( $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} : vars_1$ ) to both sides of this judgment to obtain:  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12} \circ \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}]N'' \leq_1 [\sigma_{12}]M'$ . Using the transitivity ??, let us compose this subtyping judgment with  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M' \leq_1 N''$  to form  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma_{12} \circ \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}]N'' \leq_1 N''$ .

What is the codomain of  $\sigma_{12} \circ \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}$ ? By composing  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''} : \{vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} : vars_1$ , we have  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} \circ \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''} : \{vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N$ , i.e.  $\sigma_{12} \circ \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}$  is a substitution contracting  $\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}$ . Then by ??,  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma_{12} \circ \sigma'_{21}|_{\mathbf{fv} N''}]N'' \leq_1 N''$  implies that  $\{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N'' = \emptyset$ .

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Analogous to the previous case.

□

This way, we can apply the induction hypothesis to  $\Gamma, vars_1, \overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma'_{21}]N'' \leq_1 M'$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma'_{12}]M' \leq_1 N''$ , and obtain  $\mu : (vars_1 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} M' \leftrightarrow (vars_2 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$  such that:

1.  $\mu$  preserves cohorts,
2.  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash \sigma'_{12} \simeq_1 \mu : (vars_1 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$ , and
3.  $\Gamma, vars_1, \overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}} \vdash \sigma'_{21} \simeq_1 \mu^{-1} : (vars_2 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$

Let us decompose  $\mu$  into the union of two bijections:  $\mu_1 \sqcup \mu_2$ , where  $\mu_1$  is defined on the variables whose cohort labels are less than  $m$ , and  $\mu_2$  is defined on the variables whose cohort labels are equal to  $m$ . Notice that since  $\mu$  preserves cohorts, this union is disjoint: the *range* of  $\mu_1$  is the variables with cohorts  $< m$  and the *range* of  $\mu_2$  is the variables with cohorts  $= m$ .

Recalling how  $m$  is chosen, notice that the signatures of  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  are the following:

1.  $\mu_1 : vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M' \leftrightarrow vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$  and
2.  $\mu_2 : \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} M' \leftrightarrow \{\overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}}\} \cap \mathbf{fv} N''$ .

This way,  $\mu_1$  is a cohort-preserving bijection with the required signature, and what is left to show is the equivalences  $\mu_1 \simeq_1^{\leq} \sigma_{12}$ , and  $\mu_1^{-1} \simeq_1^{\leq} \sigma_{21}$ :

1.  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash \sigma_{12} \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu_1 : (vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M)$   
Let us take an arbitrary  $\alpha^{\pm} \in vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M$ .  
 $[\sigma_{12}]\alpha^{\pm} = [\sigma_{12} \circ \vec{Q}/\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}]\alpha^{\pm}$  because  $\alpha^{\pm} \neq \delta_i^{+m}$   
 $= [\sigma'_{12}]\alpha^{\pm}$  by the definition of  $\sigma'_{12}$   
 $\simeq_1^{\leq} [\mu]\alpha^{\pm}$  since  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash \sigma'_{12} \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu : ((vars_1 \cup \{\overrightarrow{\delta^{+m}}\}) \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$   
 $= [\mu_1]\alpha^{\pm}$  since  $\mu_1 = \mu|_{vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M'}$  and  $\alpha^{\pm} \in vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M \subseteq vars_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} M'$

This way,  $\Gamma, vars_2, \overrightarrow{\gamma^{+m}} \vdash [\sigma_{12}]\alpha^{\pm} \simeq_1^{\leq} [\mu_1]\alpha^{\pm}$ , which, considering that the codomains of  $\sigma_{12}$  and  $\mu_1$  are in  $\Gamma, vars_2$ , can be strengthened to  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]\alpha^{\pm} \simeq_1^{\leq} [\mu_1]\alpha^{\pm}$ .

2.  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash \sigma_{21} \simeq_1^{\leq} \mu_1^{-1} : (vars_2 \cap \mathbf{fv} N)$  is proved analogously.

**Case 5.** The last rule to infer  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N \leq_1 M$  was Rule ( $\rightarrow^{\leq_1}$ ), i.e.  $[\sigma_{21}]N = P \rightarrow N'$ , and  $M = Q \rightarrow M'$ ; then by inverting this rule,  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash P \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma, vars_1 \vdash N' \leq_1 M'$ .

$[\sigma_{21}]N = P \rightarrow N'$  means that either  $N$  is a variable from the domain of  $\sigma_{21}$  (which has been covered by case 1) or  $[\sigma_{21}]N = [\sigma_{21}](P' \rightarrow N'') = [\sigma_{21}]P' \rightarrow [\sigma_{21}]N'' = P \rightarrow N'$ , where  $N = P' \rightarrow N''$ ,  $[\sigma_{21}]P' = P$ , and  $[\sigma_{21}]N'' = N'$ .



This way,  $\Gamma \vdash P \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma \vdash N' \leq_1 M'$  can be rewritten as  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_{21}]P' \geq_1 Q$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [\sigma_{21}]N'' \leq_1 M'$ .

In addition,  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M \leq_1 N$  becomes  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}](Q \rightarrow M') \leq_1 P' \rightarrow N''$ , implying by inversion  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]Q \geq_1 P'$  and  $\Gamma, vars_2 \vdash [\sigma_{12}]M' \leq_1 N''$ .

□

## 4.9 Upper Bounds

**Lemma 24** (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 25** (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.**  $P = \beta^+$

Then the last rule that is applied to infer  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \beta^+$  must be either Rule  $(\text{Var}^{+\geq_1})$  or Rule  $(\exists^{\geq_1})$ . The former case means that  $Q = \beta^+$ . In the latter case,  $Q = \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. Q'$ , where  $Q'$  has no outer existential quantifiers. Then by inversion of Rule  $(\exists^{\geq_1})$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-]Q' \geq_1 \beta^+$  for some  $\vec{N}$ . This time, to infer this judgment, only Rule  $(\text{Var}^{+\geq_1})$  is applicable, which means that  $Q' = \beta^+$ , and then  $Q = \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \beta^+$ .

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

Then if  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P'$ , then by lemma 24,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P'$ , and  $\text{fv } Q \cap \{\vec{\beta}^-\} = \emptyset$  by the Barendregt's convention. The other direction holds by Rule  $(\exists^{\geq_1})$ . This way,  $\{Q \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P'\} = \{Q \mid \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P' \text{ s.t. } \text{fv}(Q) \cap \{\vec{\beta}^-\} = \emptyset\}$ . 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 22 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 21, since  $\Gamma \vdash \downarrow M'$  by lemma 20  
 $\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \downarrow M' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  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 21, since  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] \downarrow M'$  by lemma 20  
 $\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash [\vec{N}/\vec{\beta}^-] \downarrow M' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  by inversion  
 $\Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. \downarrow M' \geq_1 \downarrow M$  by Rule  $(\exists^{\geq_1})$

□

**Lemma 26** (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:*

$\Gamma \vdash P$	$\text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash P)$
$\Gamma \vdash \beta^+$	$\{\beta^+\}$
$\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P$	$\text{NFUB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P)$ 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 25,  $\{ \mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \beta^+ \} = \{ \mathbf{nf}(\exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \beta^+) \mid \text{for some } \vec{\alpha}^- = \{\beta^+\} \}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P') &= \text{NFUB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P') \text{ not using } \vec{\beta}^- \\
&= \{ \mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P' \} \text{ not using } \vec{\beta}^- && \text{by the induction hypothesis} \\
&= \{ \mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash Q \geq_1 P' \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{fv} Q \cap \vec{\beta}^- = \emptyset \} && \text{because } \mathbf{fv} \mathbf{nf}(Q) = \mathbf{fv} Q \text{ by lemma 14} \\
&= \{ \mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^- \vdash P') \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{fv} Q \cap \vec{\beta}^- = \emptyset \} && \text{by lemma 25} \\
&= \{ \mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P') \} && \text{by the definition of UB} \\
&= \{ \mathbf{nf}(Q) \mid \Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 \exists \vec{\beta}^-. P' \} && \text{by lemma 25}
\end{aligned}$$

**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  $\exists \sigma' \text{ s.t. } \Gamma \vdash \sigma' : \text{vars}_2$  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}^-, \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}^-, \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}^-, \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}^-, \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}^{-'}, \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}^{-'}, \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}^{-'}, \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}^{-'}, \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 25

by the definition of UB

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

by lemma 2

by the definition of normalization

from lemmas 15 and 17, equivalence of types can be replaced with the equality of their normal forms

by congruence of normalization and lemma 16

by lemma 19,  $\downarrow M'$  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  $\Gamma \vdash \sigma|_{\mathbf{fv}(\downarrow M')} : \vec{\alpha}^{-'}$  (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 5, 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 27** (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.**  $\Gamma \models \exists \alpha^-. P_1 \vee \exists \beta^-. P_2 = Q$

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

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

To prove  $\Gamma \vdash Q$ , it suffices to show that  $\mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \{\Gamma, \alpha^-, \beta^-\} = \mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \{\Gamma\}$  (and then apply lemma 5). The inclusion right-to-left is self-evident. To show  $\mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \{\Gamma, \alpha^-, \beta^-\} \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(Q) \cap \{\Gamma\}$ , we prove that  $\mathbf{fv}(Q) \subseteq \{\Gamma\}$

$$\mathbf{fv}(Q) \subseteq \mathbf{fv} P_1 \cap \mathbf{fv} P_2$$

by lemma 1

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

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

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

**Case 3.**  $\Gamma \models \downarrow N \vee \downarrow M = \exists \alpha^-. [\alpha^- / \Xi] P$  By the inversion,  $\Gamma, \cdot \models \downarrow N \stackrel{a}{\simeq} \downarrow M \Rightarrow (\Xi, P, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)$ . Then by lemma 6,

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

$$\Gamma, \alpha^- \vdash [\alpha^- / \Xi] P \tag{1}$$

(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

$$\hat{\tau}_1 = (\vec{N} / \alpha^-) \circ (\alpha^- / \Xi) \text{ (as substitutions)} \tag{2}$$

$$\hat{\tau}_2 = (\vec{M} / \alpha^-) \circ (\alpha^- / \Xi) \text{ (as substitutions)} \tag{3}$$

(iii)  $[\hat{\tau}_1]Q = P_1$  and  $[\hat{\tau}_2]Q = P_1$ , which, by 2 and 3, means

$$[\vec{N} / \alpha^-][\alpha^- / \Xi] P = \downarrow N \tag{4}$$

$$[\vec{M} / \alpha^-][\alpha^- / \Xi] P = \downarrow M \tag{5}$$

Then  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. [\alpha^- / \Xi] P$  follows directly from 1.

To show  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. [\alpha^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow N$ , we apply Rule ( $\exists$ <sub>1</sub>), instantiating  $\alpha^-$  with  $\vec{N}$ . Then  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{N} / \alpha^-][\alpha^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow N$  follows from 4 and reflexivity of subtyping (??).

Analogously, instantiating  $\alpha^-$  with  $\vec{M}$ , gives us  $\Gamma \vdash [\vec{M} / \alpha^-][\alpha^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow M$  (from 5), and hence,  $\Gamma \vdash \exists \alpha^-. [\alpha^- / \Xi] P \geq_1 \downarrow M$ . □

**Lemma 28** (Completeness of the Least Upper Bound). *For normalized 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.  $\Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q'$ .*

*Proof.* Induction on the pair  $(P_1, P_2)$ . From lemma 26,  $Q \in \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P_1) \cap \text{UB}(\Gamma \vdash P_2)$ . Let us consider the cases what  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are (i.e. the last rules to infer  $\Gamma \vdash P_1$ ).

**Case 1.**  $P_1 = \exists \vec{\beta}^-_1. Q_1$ ,  $P_2 = \exists \vec{\beta}^-_2. Q_2$  where  $\vec{\beta}^-_1$  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 25,  
 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 after one step, the algorithm terminates by the induction hypothesis. In other words,  $\exists Q'$  s.t.  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^-_1, \vec{\beta}^-_2 \models Q_1 \vee Q_2 = Q'$ , and thus, Rule  $(\exists^\vee)$  is applicable.

**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  $(\text{Var}^\vee)$ ):  $\Gamma \models \alpha^+ \vee \alpha^+ = \alpha^+$ .

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

Then on the next step, the algorithm tries to anti-unify  $\downarrow M_1$  and  $\downarrow M_2$ . By lemma 7, to show that the anti-unification algorithm terminates, it suffices to demonstrate that a sound anti-unification solution exists.

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{nf}(Q) &\in \text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-_1. Q_1) \cap \text{NFUB}(\Gamma \vdash \exists \vec{\beta}^-_2. Q_2) \\ &= \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord}\{\vec{\alpha}^-\} \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash N_i, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M_1 \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \bigcap \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \text{ and } \vec{N} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord}\{\vec{\alpha}^-\} \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_1, \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_2, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', \text{ and } [\vec{N}/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M_2 \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M' \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \vec{\alpha}^-, M', \vec{N}_1 \text{ and } \vec{N}_2 \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{ord}\{\vec{\alpha}^-\} \text{ in } M' = \vec{\alpha}^-, \\ \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_1, \Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_2, \Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash M', [\vec{N}_1/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M_1, \text{ and } [\vec{N}_2/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M' = \downarrow M_2 \end{array} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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

For each negative variable  $\alpha^-$  from  $\vec{\alpha}^-$ , let us choose a fresh negative antiunification variable  $\hat{\alpha}^-$ , and denote the list of these variables as  $\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-$ . Let us show that  $(\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-, [\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M', \vec{N}_1/\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-, \vec{N}_2/\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-)$  is a sound anti-unifier of  $\downarrow M_1$  and  $\downarrow M_2$  in context  $\Gamma$ :

- $\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-$  is negative by construction,
- $\Gamma; \vec{\hat{\alpha}}^- \vdash [\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-/\vec{\alpha}^-] \downarrow M'$  because  $\Gamma, \vec{\alpha}^- \vdash \downarrow M'$  **Ilya: lemma!**,
- $\Gamma; \cdot \vdash (\vec{N}_1/\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-) : \vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-$  because  $\Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_1$  and  $\Gamma; \cdot \vdash (\vec{N}_2/\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-) : \vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-$  because  $\Gamma \vdash \vec{N}_2$ ,

- $[\vec{N}_1/\vec{\alpha}^-][\vec{\alpha}^-/\vec{\alpha}^-]\downarrow M' = [\vec{N}_1/\vec{\alpha}^-]\downarrow M' = \downarrow M_1$ ; analogously,  $[\vec{N}_2/\vec{\alpha}^-][\vec{\alpha}^-/\vec{\alpha}^-]\downarrow M' = i[\vec{N}_2/\vec{\alpha}^-]\downarrow M' = \downarrow M_2$ .

Then by the completeness of the anti-unification (lemma 7), the anti-unification algorithm terminates, so is the Least Upper Bound algorithm invoking it.  $\square$

**Lemma 29** (Initiality of the Least Upper Bound). *For normalized types  $\Gamma \vdash P_1$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash P_2$ , and  $\Gamma \vdash Q$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P_2$ , If  $\Gamma \models P_1 \vee P_2 = Q'$  then  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$ .*

*Proof.* By induction on a pair  $(P_1, P_2)$ , similarly to the proof of lemma 28.

Let us consider the cases what  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are (i.e. the last rules to infer  $\Gamma \vdash P_1$ ).

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

Then by the same reasoning as in case 1 of the proof of lemma 28,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^{-}_1, \vec{\beta}^{-}_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q_1$  and  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^{-}_1, \vec{\beta}^{-}_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q_2$ .

On the other hand, the inversion of  $\Gamma \models \exists \vec{\beta}^{-}_1. Q_1 \vee \exists \vec{\beta}^{-}_2. Q_2 = Q'$  gives us  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^{-}_1, \vec{\beta}^{-}_2 \models Q_1 \vee Q_2 = Q'$ . Hence, by the induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma, \vec{\beta}^{-}_1, \vec{\beta}^{-}_2 \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$ .

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  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 Q'$ .

**Ilya: lemma!**

**Case 2.** ( $P_1 = \alpha^+$  and  $P_2 = \downarrow N$ ) or ( $P_1 = \downarrow N$  and  $P_2 = \alpha^+$ ) or ( $P_1 = \alpha^+$  and  $P_2 = \beta^+$ )

By the same argument as in case 2 of the proof of lemma 28, the set of common supertypes of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  is empty, hence contradiction.

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

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 4.**  $P_1 = \downarrow M_1$  and  $P_2 = \downarrow M_2$

By the same reasoning as in case 6 of the proof of lemma 28,  $\mathbf{nf}(Q) = \exists \vec{\alpha}^-. \downarrow M'$  for some  $\vec{\alpha}^-$  and  $\downarrow M'$  such that there exist  $\vec{N}_1$  and  $\vec{N}_2$  such that:

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

For each negative variable  $\alpha^-$  from  $\vec{\alpha}^-$ , let us choose a fresh negative antiunification variable  $\hat{\alpha}^-$ , and denote the list of these variables as  $\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-$ . As shown in case 6 of the proof of lemma 28,  $(\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-, [\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-/\vec{\alpha}^-]\downarrow M', \vec{N}_1/\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-, \vec{N}_2/\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-)$  is a sound anti-unifier of  $\downarrow M_1$  and  $\downarrow M_2$  in context  $\Gamma$ .

By the inversion of  $\Gamma \models \downarrow M_1 \vee \downarrow M_2 = Q'$ , we conclude that  $Q' = \exists \vec{\beta}^-. [\vec{\beta}^-/\Xi]P$ , where  $(\Xi, P, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2)$  is the result of the antiunification of  $\downarrow M_1$  and  $\downarrow M_2$  in context  $\Gamma$ .

Then by the initiality of the anti-unification (lemma 8), there exists  $\hat{\tau}$  such that  $\Gamma; \Xi \vdash \hat{\tau} : \vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-$  and  $[\hat{\tau}][\vec{\hat{\alpha}}^-/\vec{\alpha}^-]\downarrow M' = P$ .

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

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

**Lemma 30** (Soundness of Upgrade). *For  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ , suppose that  $\mathbf{upgrade} \Gamma \vdash P$  to  $\Delta = Q$ .*

- (i)  $\Delta \vdash Q$
- (ii)  $\Gamma \vdash Q \geq_1 P$

**Lemma 31** (Completeness of Upgrade). *For  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash P$  and  $\Delta \vdash Q'$ , such that  $\Gamma \vdash Q' \geq_1 P$ , there exists  $Q$  s.t.  $\mathbf{upgrade} \Gamma \vdash P$  to  $\Delta = Q$ , and  $\Delta \vdash Q' \geq_1 Q$ .*