# Technical Report The Deduction System of Matching Logic

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Abstract

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## 1 Syntax

Formulas of matching logic, called *patterns*, are written in a formal language, denoted as  $\mathcal{L}$ , whose grammar is listed in (1). The language  $\mathcal{L}$  is many-sorted. A signature of  $\mathcal{L}$  contains not only a finite set  $\Sigma$  of *symbols*, but also a finite nonempty set S of *sorts*. Each symbol  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  is, of course, sorted, with a fixed nonempty arity. We write  $\sigma \in \Sigma_{s_1,\dots,s_n,s}$  to emphasize that  $\sigma$  takes n arguments (with argument sorts  $s_1,\dots,s_n$ ) and returns a pattern in sort  $s_n$ , but we hope in most cases sorting is clear from context.

The grammar for  $\mathcal{L}$ , as defined below, is almost identical to first-order logic, except that in  $\mathcal{L}$  there is no difference between relational (predicate) and functional symbols, and we accept first-order terms as patterns in matching logic.

$$P := x$$

$$| P_1 \wedge P_2$$

$$| \neg P$$

$$| \forall x.P$$

$$| \sigma(P_1, \dots, P_n),$$

$$(1)$$

where the universal quantifier  $(\forall x)$  behaves the same as in first-order logic, with alpharenaming always assumed.

For simplicity, we did not mention sorting in the grammar definition, and assume it should be clear to all readers. For example, in  $P_1 \wedge P_2$ , both patterns  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  should have the same sort, and that sort is the sort of  $P_1 \wedge P_2$ . The sort of  $\forall x.P$  is the sort of  $P_1 \wedge P_2$ , while the sort of variable  $P_1 \wedge P_2$  are why it is the case, consider the pattern  $\exists x.list(x, 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5)$ , which is the set of all memory configurations that has a list  $P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3 \wedge P_4 \wedge P_4 \wedge P_5 \wedge P_5 \wedge P_6 \wedge P_$ 

Propositional connectives are always assumed, including disjunction  $(\vee)$ , implication  $(\rightarrow)$ , and equivalence  $(\leftrightarrow)$ . Existential quantifier  $(\exists x)$  is defined by universal quantifier  $(\forall x)$  in the normal way. The bottom pattern  $(\bot_s)$  and the top pattern  $(\top_s)$  in sort s are given by  $x \land \neg x$  and  $\neg \bot_s$ , respectively, where x is a variable in sort s. It does not matter which variable we pick.

## 1.1 Extended Syntax

The formal language  $\mathcal{L}$  is often extended with *definedness* symbols. For  $s_1, s_2$  are two sorts, the definedness symbol  $\lceil \_\rceil_{s_1}^{s_2} \in \Sigma_{s_1,s_2}$  is a unary symbol with one argument sort  $s_1$  and the result sort  $s_2$ . For a pattern P who has sort  $s_1$ , the pattern  $\lceil \_\rceil_{s_1}^{s_2}(P)$  is often written as  $\lceil P\rceil_{s_1}^{s_2}$ , or simply  $\lceil P\rceil$ .

Definedness symbols carry specific intended semantics. For each definedness symbol  $\lceil 1 \rceil_{s_1}^{s_2}$ , we add the pattern  $\lceil x \rceil_{s_1}^{s_2}$  as an axiom to the deductive system, where x is a variable who has sort  $s_1$ . It does not matter which variable we pick.

With definedness symbols, we extends the formal language  $\mathcal{L}$  with

**Remark 1.** To prevent writing tangled subscripts and superscripts that indicate sorts of variables and patterns all the time, we omit them as much as possible, unless there is a chance of confusing things. A statement with sorting subscripts and superscripts omitted is treated as (possibly many) statements with the omitting sorting subscripts and superscripts completed in all possible well-formed ways.

## 2 Deductive system

A deductive system is a recursive set of patterns as *axioms* and a finite set of *inference* rules. The deductive system of matching logic that we introduce in this section has been proved *sound* and *complete*.

### 2.1 The Deductive System

Axioms are given by the following axiom schemata where P, Q, R are arbitrary patterns and x, y are logic variables.

• (K1) 
$$P \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow P)$$

• 
$$(K2) (P \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow R)) \rightarrow ((P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow R))$$

• (K3) 
$$(\neg P \rightarrow \neg Q) \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow P)$$

- (K4)  $\forall x.P \rightarrow P[y/x]$
- (K5)  $\forall x.(P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow \forall x.Q)$  if x does not occur free in P
- (K6)  $P_1 = P_2 \to (Q[P_1/x] \to Q[P_2/x])$
- (M1)  $x \in y = (x = y)$
- (M2)  $x \in P \land Q = (x \in P) \land (x \in Q)$
- (M3)  $x \in \neg P = \neg (x \in P)$
- (M4)  $x \in \forall y.P = \forall y.x \in P$  where x is distinct from y
- (M5)  $x \in \sigma(..., P_i, ...) = \exists y.y \in P_i \land x \in \sigma(..., y, ...)$  where y occurs free in the left hand side of the equation.

**Remark 2.** Substitution is denoted as Q[P/x]. Alpha-renaming is always assumed in order to avoid free variables capturing.

Inference rules include

- (Modus Ponens) From P and  $P \rightarrow Q$ , deduce Q.
- (Universal Generalization) From P, deduce  $\forall x.P$ .
- (Membership Introduction) From P, deduce  $\forall x.(x \in P)$ , where x does not occur free in P.
- (Membership Elimination) From  $\forall x.(x \in P)$ , deduce P, where x does not occur free in P.

**Theorem 3.** The proof system is sound and complete.

*Proof.* No proof.

#### 2.2 Metatheorems of the deductive system

**Proposition 4** (Tautology). For any propositional tautology  $\mathcal{A}(p_1, \ldots, p_n)$  where  $p_1, \ldots, p_n$  are all propositional variables in  $\mathcal{A}$ , and for any patterns  $P_1, \ldots, P_n$ ,

$$\vdash \mathcal{A}(P_1,\ldots,P_n).$$

*Proof.* No proof.

Corollary 5.  $\vdash \top$ .

*Proof.* By definition,  $\top = \neg \bot = \neg (x \land \neg x)$ , where x is a matching logic variable who has the same sort with  $\top$ . Let proposition  $\mathcal{A} = \neg (p \land \neg p)$  with p is a propositional variable. Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is a propositional tautology. By Proposition 4,  $\top = \mathcal{A}[x/p]$  is derivable in the proof system, i.e.,  $\vdash \top$ .

**Proposition 6** ( $\vee$ -Introduction).  $\vdash P \text{ implies} \vdash P \vee Q$ .

*Proof.* Use Proposition 4 and Modus Ponens. Note that in general,  $\vdash P \lor Q$  does not imply  $\vdash P$  or  $\vdash Q$ .

**Proposition 7** (Functional Substitution).  $\vdash \exists y. (Q = y) \rightarrow (P[Q/x] \rightarrow \exists x. P(x)).$ 

**Proposition 8** ( $\land$ -Introduction and Elimination).  $\vdash P$  and  $\vdash Q$  iff  $\vdash P \land Q$ .

*Proof.* Use Proposition 4 and Modus Ponens.

**Proposition 9** (Equality Introduction).  $\vdash P = P$ .

*Proof.* Use Membership Introduction and Proposition 4.

**Proposition 10** (Equality Replacement).  $\vdash P_1 = P_2$  and  $\vdash Q[P_1/x]$  implies  $\vdash Q[P_2/x]$ .

*Proof.* Use Axiom (K7) and Modus Ponens.

**Proposition 11** (Equality Establishment).  $\vdash P \leftrightarrow Q \text{ implies} \vdash P = Q$ .

*Proof.* Use Membership Axoims and ∨-Introduction.

**Corollary 12.**  $\vdash P \text{ implies} \vdash P = \top$ .

**Proposition 13.**  $\vdash x \in [y]$ .

Proof.

$$\vdash x \in \lceil y \rceil$$
if  $\vdash \forall x.(x \in \lceil y \rceil)$  (K5, K6, and Modus Ponens)
iff  $\vdash \lceil y \rceil$ .

**Proposition 14.**  $\vdash P \rightarrow \lceil P \rceil$ .

Proof.

$$\begin{split} & \vdash P \to \lceil P \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash \forall x. (x \in P \to \lceil P \rceil) \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to \lceil P \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to x \in \lceil P \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to \exists y. (y \in P \land x \in \lceil y \rceil) \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to \neg \forall y. (y \notin P \lor x \notin \lceil y \rceil) \\ & \text{iff} \vdash \forall y. (y \notin P \lor x \notin \lceil y \rceil) \to x \notin P \\ & \text{if} \vdash x \notin P \lor x \notin \lceil x \rceil \to x \notin P \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to x \in P \land x \in \lceil x \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to x \in \lceil x \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to x \in \lceil x \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to x \in \lceil x \rceil \end{split}$$

**Remark** Similarly we can show  $\vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \rightarrow P$ .

**Proposition 15.**  $\vdash \forall x.(x \in P) = \lfloor P \rfloor$ , where x occurs free in P.

*Proof.* By Proposition 11 and 8, it suffices to show

$$\vdash \forall x. (x \in P) \to \lfloor P \rfloor \tag{2}$$

and

$$\vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to \forall x. (x \in P). \tag{3}$$

To show (2),

$$\vdash \forall x.(x \in P) \rightarrow \lfloor P \rfloor$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \forall x.\lceil x \land P \rceil \rightarrow \neg \lceil \neg P \rceil$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \lceil \neg P \rceil \rightarrow \exists x. \neg \lceil x \land P \rceil$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \forall y.(y \in (\lceil \neg P \rceil \rightarrow \exists x. \neg \lceil x \land P \rceil))$$

$$\text{if} \vdash \forall y.(y \in (\lceil \neg P \rceil \rightarrow \exists x. \neg \lceil x \land P \rceil))$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \exists z_1.(z_1 \notin P \land y \in \lceil z_1 \rceil) \rightarrow$$

$$\exists x. \neg (\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P \land y \in \lceil z_2 \rceil))$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \exists z_1.(z_1 \notin P \land \top) \rightarrow \qquad \text{(Proposition 13, 10, and Corollary 12)}$$

$$\exists x. \neg (\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P \land \top))$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \exists z_1.(z_1 \notin P) \rightarrow \exists x. \neg (\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P))$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \forall x.(\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P)) \rightarrow \forall z_1.(z_1 \in P)$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash \forall x.(\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P)) \rightarrow (z_1 \in P))$$

$$\text{if} \vdash \forall x.(\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P)) \rightarrow (z_1 \in P).$$

$$\text{Since} \vdash \forall x.(\exists z_2.(z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P)) \rightarrow \exists z_2.(z_2 = z_1 \land z_2 \in P), \text{ it suffices to show}$$

$$\vdash \exists z_2.(z_2 = z_1 \land z_2 \in P) \rightarrow (z_1 \in P)$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash z_1 \notin P \rightarrow \forall z_2.(z_2 \neq z_1 \lor z_2 \notin P)$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash z_1 \notin P \rightarrow z_2 \neq z_1 \lor z_2 \notin P)$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash z_1 \notin P \rightarrow z_2 \neq z_1 \lor z_2 \notin P$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash z_1 \notin P \rightarrow z_2 \neq z_1 \lor z_2 \notin P$$

$$\text{iff} \vdash z_2 = z_1 \land z_2 \in P \rightarrow z_1 \in P.$$

And we proved (2).

Similarly, to show (3),

$$\begin{split} & \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to \forall x. (x \in P) \\ & \text{iff} \vdash \exists x. \neg \lceil x \land P \rceil \to \lceil \neg P \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash \forall y. (y \in \exists x. \neg \lceil x \land P \rceil \to \lceil \neg P \rceil) \\ & \text{if} \vdash y \in \exists x. \neg \lceil x \land P \rceil \to \lceil \neg P \rceil \\ & \text{iff} \vdash \exists x. \neg \exists z_2. (z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P) \to \exists z_1. (z_1 \notin P) \\ & \text{iff} \vdash \forall z_1. (z_1 \in P) \to \exists z_2. (z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P) \\ & \text{iff} \vdash x \in P \to \exists z_2. (z_2 = x \land z_2 \in P). \end{split}$$

We proved (3).

**Remark** If *x* occurs free in *P*, the result does not hold. For example, let *P* be upto(x) where  $upto(\cdot)$  is interpreted to  $upto(n) = \{0, 1, ..., n\}$  on  $\mathbb{N}$ .

**Remark** From Membership Introduction and Elimination inference rules and Proposition 15,  $\vdash P$  iff  $\vdash \lfloor P \rfloor$ .

**Proposition 16** (Classification Reasoning). For any P and Q, from  $\vdash P \rightarrow Q$  and  $\vdash \neg P \rightarrow Q$  deduce  $\vdash Q$ .

*Proof.* From  $\vdash \neg P \rightarrow Q$  deduce  $\vdash \neg Q \rightarrow P$ . Notice that  $\vdash P \rightarrow Q$ , so we have  $\vdash \neg Q \rightarrow Q$ , i.e.,  $\vdash \neg \neg Q \lor Q$  which concludes the proof.

**Corollary 17.** For any  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ , and Q are patterns with  $\vdash P_1 \lor P_2$ , from  $\vdash P_1 \to Q$  and  $\vdash P_2 \to Q$ , deduce  $\vdash Q$ .

**Definition 18** (Predicate Pattern). A pattern P is called a predicate pattern or a predicate if  $\vdash (P = \top) \lor (P = \bot)$ .

**Remark** Predicate patterns are closed under all logic connectives.

**Remark** For any P,  $\lceil P \rceil$  is a predicate pattern.

**Proposition 19.** 
$$\vdash (\lceil P \rceil = \bot) = (P = \bot) \ and \vdash (\lfloor P \rfloor = \top) = (P = \top).$$

*Proof.* It is easy to prove one derivation from the other, so we only prove the first one. By Proposition 11, it suffices to prove

$$\vdash (\lceil P \rceil = \bot) \to (P = \bot) \tag{4}$$

and

$$\vdash (P = \bot) \to (\lceil P \rceil = \bot) \tag{5}$$

The proof of (5) is trivial and we left it as an exercise. We now prove (4) through the following backward reasoning.

$$\vdash (\lceil P \rceil = \bot) \to (P = \bot)$$
iff 
$$\vdash \forall y.(y \in ((\lceil P \rceil = \bot) \to (P = \bot)))$$
if 
$$\vdash y \in ((\lceil P \rceil = \bot) \to (P = \bot))$$
iff 
$$\vdash (y \in (\lceil P \rceil = \bot) \to (y \in (P = \bot)).$$
(6)

While for any pattern Q,

$$\label{eq:continuous_problem} \begin{split} & \vdash y \in (Q = \bot) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash y \in \neg \lceil \neg (Q \leftrightarrow \bot) \rceil \\ \text{iff} & \vdash y \in \neg \lceil Q \rceil \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \neg \exists z. (z \in Q \land y \in \lceil z \rceil) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \neg \exists z. (z \in Q) \end{split}$$

So we continue to prove (6) by showing

$$\begin{split} & \vdash (y \in (\lceil P \rceil = \bot)) \to (y \in (P = \bot)) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \neg \exists z. (z \in \lceil P \rceil) \to \neg \exists z. (z \in P) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z. (z \in P) \to \exists z. (z \in \lceil P \rceil) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z. (z \in P) \to \exists z. (\exists z_1. (z_1 \in P \land z \in \lceil z_1 \rceil)) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z. (z \in P) \to \exists z. \exists z_1. (z_1 \in P) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z_1. (z_1 \in P) \to \exists z. \exists z_1. (z_1 \in P). \end{split}$$

And we finish the proof by noticing the fact that for any pattern Q and variable x,

$$\vdash Q \rightarrow \exists x.Q.$$

**Proposition 20.** For any predicate  $P, \vdash (P \neq \top) = (P = \bot)$  and  $\vdash (P \neq \bot) = (P = \top)$ .

*Proof.* We only prove the first derivation, by showing both

$$\vdash (P \neq \top) \to (P = \bot) \tag{7}$$

and

$$\vdash (P = \bot) \to (P \neq \top). \tag{8}$$

Proving (8) is trivial. We now prove (7), which is also trivial by transforming disjunction to implication.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 21.** For any pattern Q and any predicate pattern P,  $\vdash P \lor Q$  iff  $\vdash P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor$ .

*Proof.* ( $\Leftarrow$ ) is obtained immediately by the remark of Proposition 14. We now prove ( $\Rightarrow$ ).

Because  $\vdash Q = \top \lor Q \neq \top$ , it suffices to show

$$\vdash Q = \top \to (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \tag{9}$$

and

$$\vdash Q \neq \top \to (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \tag{10}$$

by Corollary 17, and the fact that  $\vdash P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top$  and  $\vdash \top$  imply  $\vdash P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor$ . The proof of (9) is straightforward as follows.

$$\begin{split} \vdash Q &= \top \to (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{if} & \vdash Q &= \top \to (P \lor \lfloor \top \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{if} & \vdash Q &= \top \to (\top = \top) \\ \text{if} & \vdash \top. \end{split}$$

The proof of (10) needs more effort:

$$\begin{split} & \vdash Q \neq \top \rightarrow (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash (Q = \top) \lor (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash (\lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \lor (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \lfloor Q \rfloor \neq \top \rightarrow (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \lfloor Q \rfloor = \bot \rightarrow (P \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \lfloor Q \rfloor = \bot \rightarrow (P \lor \bot = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \lfloor Q \rfloor = \bot \rightarrow (P = \top) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash Q = \top \lor P = \top. \end{split}$$

Notice that *P* is a predicate pattern, so it suffices to show

$$\vdash P = \top \rightarrow (Q = \top \lor P = \top),$$

whose validity is obvious, and

$$\vdash P = \bot \rightarrow (O = \top \lor P = \top),$$

which is proved by showing

$$\vdash P = \bot \to Q = \top. \tag{11}$$

Because  $\vdash P \lor Q$ , it suffices to show

$$\begin{split} \vdash P &= \bot \to (P \lor Q) \to (Q = \top) \\ \text{if} &\vdash P = \bot \to (\bot \lor Q) \to (Q = \top) \\ \text{iff} &\vdash P = \bot \to Q \to (Q = \top) \\ \text{if} &\vdash Q \to (Q = \top) \\ \text{iff} &\vdash (Q \neq \top) \to \neg Q \\ \text{iff} &\vdash (|Q| = \bot) \to \neg Q. \end{split}$$

Notice we have  $\vdash Q \rightarrow \lfloor Q \rfloor$ , which means  $\vdash \neg \lfloor Q \rfloor \rightarrow \neg Q$ , so it suffices to show

$$\begin{split} & \vdash (\lfloor Q \rfloor = \bot) \to \neg \lfloor Q \rfloor \\ \text{iff} & \vdash (\lfloor Q \rfloor = \bot) \to \neg \bot \\ \text{iff} & \vdash (\lfloor Q \rfloor = \bot) \to \top \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \top. \end{split}$$

And this concludes the proof.

**Proposition 22** (Deduction Theorem). *If*  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q$  *and the derivation does not use*  $\forall x$ -Generalization where x is free in P, then  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \rightarrow Q$ .

*Proof.* The proof is by induction on n, the length of the derivation of Q from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\}$ .

Base step: n=1, and Q is an axiom, or P, or a member of  $\Gamma$ . If Q is an axiom or a member of  $\Gamma$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash Q$  and as a result,  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q$ . If Q is P, then  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q$  by Proposition 14.

Induction step: Let n > 1. Suppose that if P' can be deduced from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\}$  without using  $\forall x$ -Generalization where x is free in P, in a derivation containing fewer than n steps, then  $\Gamma \vdash [P] \rightarrow P'$ .

Case 1: Q is an axiom, or P, or a member of  $\Gamma$ . Precisely as in the Base step, we show that  $\vdash [P] \to Q$ .

Case 2: Q follows from two previous patterns in the derivation by an application of Modus Ponens. These two patterns must have the forms  $Q_1$  and  $Q_1 \rightarrow Q$ , and each one can certainly be deduced from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\}$  by a derivation with fewer than n steps, by just omitting the subsequent members from the original derivation from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q$ . So we have  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q_1$  and  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q_1 \rightarrow Q$ , and, applying the hypothesis of induction,  $\Gamma \vdash [P] \rightarrow Q_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash [P] \rightarrow Q$ . It follows immediately that  $\Gamma \vdash [P] \rightarrow Q$ .

Case 3: Q follows from a previous pattern in the derivation by an application of  $\forall x_i$ -Generalization where  $x_i$  does not occur free in P. So Q is  $\forall x_i.Q_1$ , say, and  $Q_1$  appears previously in the derivation. Thus  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q_1$ , and the derivation has fewer than n steps, so  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q_1$ , since there is no application of Universal Generalization involving a free variable of P. Also  $x_i$  cannot occur free in P, as it is involved in an application of Universal Generalization in the deduction of Q from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\}$ . So we have a derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q$  as follows.

$$\begin{split} &\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q \\ &\text{iff} \quad \Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to \forall x_i.Q_1 \\ &\text{if} \quad \Gamma \vdash \forall x_i.(\lfloor P \rfloor \to Q_1) \\ &\text{if} \quad \Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q_1. \end{split}$$

So  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \rightarrow Q$  as required.

Case 4: Q follows from a previous pattern in the derivation by an application of Membership Introduction. So Q is  $\forall x_i.(x_i \in Q_1)$  with  $x_i$  is free in  $Q_1$ , say, and  $Q_1$  appears previously in the derivation. Thus  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q_1$ , and the derivation has fewer than n steps, so  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q_1$ , since there is no application of Universal Generalization involving a free variable of P. So we have a derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q$  as follows.

$$\begin{split} \Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor &\to Q \\ \text{iff} \quad \Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor &\to \forall x_i. (x_i \in Q_1) \\ \text{iff} \quad \Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor &\to \lfloor Q_1 \rfloor, \end{split}$$

which follows by the hypothesis of induction  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q_1$  and the fact that  $\Gamma \vdash Q_1 \to \lfloor Q_1 \rfloor$  (by the Remark in Proposition 14).

Case 5: Q follows from a previous pattern in the derivation by an application of Membership Elimination. The previous pattern must have the form  $\forall x_i.(x_i \in Q)$ , and can be deduced from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\}$  by a derivation with fewer than n steps, by just omitting

the subsequent members from the original derivation from  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q$ . So we have  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash \forall x_i.(x_i \in Q)$ , and, applying the hypothesis of induction,  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \rightarrow \forall x_i.(x_i \in Q)$ . So we have a derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \rightarrow Q$  as follows.

$$\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \to Q$$
iff 
$$\Gamma \vdash \neg \lfloor P \rfloor \lor Q$$
iff 
$$\Gamma \vdash \neg \lfloor P \rfloor \lor \lfloor Q \rfloor$$
iff 
$$\Gamma \vdash \neg \lfloor P \rfloor \lor \forall x_i.(x_i \in Q)$$
iff 
$$\Gamma \vdash |P| \to \forall x_i.(x_i \in Q),$$

which is the hypothesis of induction. And this concludes our inductive proof.

**Corollary 23** (Closed-form Deduction Theorem). *If* P *is closed,*  $\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q$  *implies*  $\Gamma \vdash \lfloor P \rfloor \rightarrow Q$ .

**Theorem 24** (Frame Rule). Let  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  be a symbol in the signature. From  $P_1 \to P_2$ , deduce  $\sigma(P_1) \to \sigma(P_2)$ . In its most general form,  $P_1 \to P_2$  deduces  $\sigma(Q_1, \dots, P_1, \dots, Q_n) \to \sigma(Q_1, \dots, P_2, \dots, Q_n)$ .

*Proof.* we write  $\sigma(Q_1, \dots, P_i, \dots, Q_n)$  as  $\sigma(P_i, \vec{Q})$  for short, for any  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .

$$\begin{split} & \vdash \sigma(P_1, \vec{Q}) \rightarrow \sigma(P_2, \vec{Q}) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash y \in (\sigma(P_1, \vec{Q}) \rightarrow \sigma(P_2, \vec{Q})) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash (y \in \sigma(P_1, \vec{Q})) \rightarrow (y \in \sigma(P_2, \vec{Q})) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z_1 . \exists \vec{z} . (z_1 \in P_1 \land \vec{z} \in \vec{Q} \land y \in \sigma(z_1, \vec{z})) \\ & \rightarrow \exists z_2 . \exists \vec{z} . (z_2 \in P_2 \land \vec{z} \in \vec{Q} \land y \in \sigma(z_2, \vec{z})) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z_1 . \exists \vec{z} . (z_1 \in P_1 \land \vec{z} \in \vec{Q} \land y \in \sigma(z_1, \vec{z})) \\ & \rightarrow z_1 \in P_2 \land \vec{z} \in \vec{Q} \land y \in \sigma(z_1, \vec{z})) \\ \text{iff} & \vdash \exists z_1 . \exists \vec{z} . (z_1 \in P_1 \rightarrow z_1 \in P_2) \\ \text{if} & \vdash \exists z_1 . (z_1 \in P_1 \rightarrow z_1 \in P_2) \\ \text{if} & \vdash P_1 \rightarrow P_2. \end{split}$$

**Corollary 25** (Frame Rule as Implication).  $\vdash \lfloor P \rightarrow Q \rfloor \rightarrow (\sigma(P) \rightarrow \sigma(Q))$ 

## 3 Inference rules

**Axioms** 

$$\frac{\cdot}{\Gamma \vdash A}$$

where A is an axiom.

Inclusion

$$\frac{\cdot}{\Gamma \vdash P}$$

where  $P \in \Gamma$ .

**Modus Ponens** 

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash Q \to P \quad \Gamma \vdash Q}{\Gamma \vdash P}$$

**Closed-Form Deduction Theorem** 

$$\frac{\Gamma \cup \{P\} \vdash Q}{\Gamma \vdash P \to Q}$$

where P is closed.

**Universal Generalization** 

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash \forall x.P} \ (\forall x)$$

**Conjunction Splitting** 

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \quad \Gamma \vdash Q}{\Gamma \vdash P \land Q}$$