

## Answer

To prove  $\vdash \Box(x = 1) \Rightarrow \Box(\Box(x = 1))$  we must prove

$$\llbracket \Box(x = 1) \Rightarrow \Box(\Box(x = 1)) \rrbracket(\sigma)$$

for an arbitrary behavior  $\sigma$ . Here is the proof.

1. SUFFICES:  $\llbracket \Box(x = 1) \rrbracket(\sigma) \Rightarrow \llbracket \Box(\Box(x = 1)) \rrbracket(\sigma)$

PROOF: Because  $\llbracket F \Rightarrow G \rrbracket(\sigma)$  is defined to equal  $\llbracket F \rrbracket(\sigma) \Rightarrow \llbracket G \rrbracket(\sigma)$ , for any  $F$ ,  $G$ , and  $\sigma$ .

2. SUFFICES ASSUME:  $\llbracket \Box(x = 1) \rrbracket(\sigma)$  and  $\tau$  a suffix of  $\sigma$

PROVE:  $\llbracket \Box(x = 1) \rrbracket(\tau)$

PROOF: By step 1 and the definition of  $\llbracket \Box F \rrbracket(\sigma)$ , with  $F \leftarrow \Box(x = 1)$ .

3. SUFFICES ASSUME:  $\rho$  a suffix of  $\tau$

PROVE:  $\llbracket x = 1 \rrbracket(\rho)$

PROOF: By step 2 and the definition of  $\llbracket F \rrbracket(\sigma)$ , with  $F \leftarrow x = 1$ .

4. Q.E.D.

PROOF:  $\rho$  is a suffix of  $\sigma$  by steps 2 and 3 (since a suffix of a suffix of  $\sigma$  is a suffix of  $\sigma$ ). Hence  $\llbracket x = 1 \rrbracket(\rho)$  is true by the assumption  $\llbracket \Box(x = 1) \rrbracket(\sigma)$  of step 2 and the definition of  $\Box$ .

Observe that replacing  $(x = 1)$  by  $F$  in the proof shows that  $\Box F \Rightarrow \Box \Box F$  is a theorem, for any formula  $F$ .