

# Well-ordering proofs for Martin-Löf Type Theory <sup>★</sup>

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## Abstract

We present well-ordering proofs for Martin-Löf's type theory with W-type and one universe. These proofs, together with an embedding of the type theory in a set theoretical system as carried out in [Set93] show that the proof theoretical strength of the type theory is precisely  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{1+\omega}$ , which is slightly more than the strength of Feferman's theory  $T_0$ , classical set theory KPI and the subsystem of analysis  $(\Delta_2^1 - CA) + (BI)$ . The strength of intensional and extensional version, of the version à la Tarski and à la Russell are shown to be the same.

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## 0 Introduction

### 0.1 Proof theory and Type Theory

Proof theory and type theory have been two answers of mathematical logic to the crisis of the foundations of mathematics at the beginning of the century. Proof theory was originally established by Hilbert in order to prove the consistency of theories by using finitary methods. When Gödel showed that Hilbert's program cannot be carried out as originally intended, the focus of proof theory changed towards analyzing theories and determination of the minimum of strength needed in order to prove their consistency. Proof theory has been very successful in providing an excellent measure for theories, the proof theoretical strength.

On the other hand, type theories were designed to provide a new framework for mathematics, the consistency of which can be justified by itself.

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Both directions of mathematical logic have become quite important recently because of their applicability to computer science. Proof theoretical methods are used for instance to extract programs from proofs, to analyze term rewriting systems and for theoretical questions in the area of logic programming.

On the other hand a lot of systems for machine assisted theorem proving are based on type theory. One reason why type theory is an excellent basis theory is that in type theory algorithms and proofs are more or less the same. We see here that in these areas questions concerning foundations and applications are very closely related: a good understanding of a situation is the best basis for finding ways to do what we want to do in a better way.

When looking at these two fields it seems to be interesting to apply proof theory to type theory. In particular, the question mainly answered in this article is: what is the precise proof theoretical strength of Martin-Löf's type theory. This is interesting because the answer determines the exact place of Martin-Löf's type theory on the proof theoretic scale. This allows to compare it with other theories, the strength of which is already known.

More precisely, in this article we are dealing with the strength of Martin-Löf's type theory with one universe and  $W$ -type. This work was first presented in our thesis [Set93]. There are two directions to be proved. One is to determine an upper bound, a refined version of which is presented in [Set96c]. There we embed type theory in a Kripke-Platek style set theory,  $KPI^+$ , the strength of which can be determined easily. The more difficult direction of the proof, which is carried out in this article, is to show that this bound is sharp. The importance of this question became obvious to the author after a talk he gave on the upper bound, where a proof theorist commented: "Okay, it's clear that Martin-Löf's type theory can be embedded like this, but *is Martin-Löf's type theory really as strong as you claim it is?*". The answer now is: it has exactly the strength the author conjectured at that time.

## 0.2 Well-ordering Proofs

To prove that the strength conjectured is precise is technically complicated. We are going to prove directly that the type theory considered proves transfinite induction up to an ordinal notation for  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n}$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . Since our proposed strength is  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+\omega} = \sup_{n \in \omega} \psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n}$ , this shows that the proof theoretical strength, which is the supremum of all ordinals up to which the theory proves transfinite induction, is  $\geq \psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+\omega}$ .

We will use the method of distinguished sets (in German "ausgezeichnete Mengen") developed mainly by Buchholz and Schütte for carrying out well-ordering proofs. This well-established method has been modified by the au-

thor, who introduced some new techniques in order to make these methods applicable to the type theoretic setting.

Carrying out these well-ordering proofs means to present the logically most complicated proofs that can be carried out in the system. To reach the full strength we have to use the full power of the theory. In applications, often powerful theories like Calculus of Constructions or extensions of Martin-Löf's type theory form the basis theory, although the full power of these theories is not needed. In a well-ordering proof for all ordinals below the proof theoretical strength, we actually have to use all the power available.

### 0.3 *The State of Knowledge*

In [GR94] Griffor and Rathjen were, independent of the author and in parallel, following another approach towards determining the proof theoretical strength of Martin-Löf's type theory by embedding constructive set theory into type theory. [GR94] contains an excellent review of all the research carried out in the past in this area. We refer the interested reader to that article and only mention the main new results concerning type theory obtained in [GR94]. Griffor and Rathjen showed, that the theory  $ML_1V$ , Martin-Löf's type theory with one universe and Aczel's iterative set  $V$  or elimination rules for the universe or both has the strength of Kripke-Platek set theory  $KP_\omega$ . They showed, that type theory with one universe and the  $W$ -type restricted to elements of the universe only, which they called  $ML_{1W}$ , has strength  $(\Delta_2^1 - CA) + (BI)$ . Adding elimination rules for the universe and/or Aczel's iterative set  $V$  is shown to yield the same strength. For the strength of  $ML_{1W}$ , the theory considered here, they determined independently the same upper bound as it was done by the author ( $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+\omega}$ ). The exact strength is not determined there, concerning the lower bound they only noted that it is naturally stronger than  $ML_{1W}$ . For the precise strength, they referred to our thesis [Set93], on which the present article is based. In [GR94] the obvious generalization of these results to  $n$  universes and  $\omega$  universes together with their strength is mentioned as well (no proof is given). In order to avoid confusion, we would like to mention some typos in [GR94], as pointed out by Rathjen to the author, namely the ordinals on page 384, lines 20, 22 and 23 should be read as  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+\omega}$ ,  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n}$  and  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+\omega}$  instead of  $\psi\Omega_1(I+\omega)$ ,  $\psi\Omega_1(I+n)$  and  $\psi\Omega_1(I+\omega)$ .

### 0.4 *Overview*

The content of our article is as follows: In Sect. 1 we will introduce the  $\psi$ -function in  $ZF + \exists x.(x \text{ regular cardinal} \wedge \aleph_x = x)$ . Based on the set theoretical system we introduce in Sect. 2 the ordinal notation system  $OT$ . In Appendix B

the reader can find a proof that the order-type of the ordinals is in accordance with the set theoretical definition of the functions. In Sect. 3 we introduce two versions of Martin-Löf's type theory with W-type and one universe:  $ML_J$  (where J stands for the constructor in the elimination rules for the identity type) is what seems to be (apart from extensions by the logical framework) the currently most widely accepted version.  $ML_{[TD]}$  is essentially the version in the book by Troelstra and van Dalen [TD88] (the index [TD] refers to that book). In order to switch more easily between elements of the universe and types, we introduce variants  $ML_{J,aux}$  and  $ML_{[TD],aux}$ . Sect.4 of the article contains the well-ordering proof itself. The technique used there is a modification of the usual well-ordering techniques, which we hope, is more intuitive. Buchholz gave some useful hints for these modifications. We will omit in this section all the complicated type theoretic definitions. Instead we make assumptions about possible constructions, which are actually carried out in Sect. 5.

### *0.5 Why Do We Use Set Theory?*

In this article we will work in Sect. 1 and in the appendix directly in set theory. Especially the readers coming from type theory might ask in what sense this is necessary.

First of all: In all other sections apart from those mentioned above we show, without referring to set theory, that in our version of Martin-Löf's type theory we can show that a certain primitive recursive ordering on the primitive recursive subset  $OT$  of the natural numbers is a well-ordering. Therefore, those readers who reject set theory as a basis of mathematics might consider the set theoretic part as mere heuristic.

Second: Set theory is here needed in order to give a representation of the order type of the ordinal notation on the universal scale, namely the scale of ordinals in set theory. This can by definition not be done without using set theory, and exactly for this set theory is needed in this article.

Another point, the author was several times confronted with, is the fact that we need to assume the existence of a large cardinal: of one inaccessible. Now this is necessary for the approach taken here (in the sections dealing with set theory). But we could as well replace all cardinals by admissibles and the first inaccessible by the first recursively inaccessible and get in the only relevant part of the system, namely the part below  $\Omega_1$ , exactly the same ordinals (see for instance [Rat93]). So all the set theoretic part could have been carried out in ZF or some weak fragment of set theory (e.g. Kripke-Platek set theory, extended by one inaccessible and  $\omega + 1$  admissibles above it) as well.

One could even replace the cardinals by smaller ordinals. Let  $o(b)$  be the

ordinal denoted by  $b$  and  $\Omega_1$  be the notation, which is in this article interpreted as  $\aleph_1$ . The only property for  $o(\Omega_1)$ , we need is that  $o(b) < o(\Omega_1)$  for all  $b \prec \Omega_1$ . The minimal solution would be  $o(\Omega_1) = \min\{\gamma \mid \forall b \in \text{OT}. b \prec \Omega_1 \rightarrow o(b) < \gamma\}$ , although in our setting we cannot define this, since we need to know  $o(\Omega_1)$  in order to determining  $o(b)$  for all  $b \prec \Omega_1$ . Very roughly speaking the interpretation of an ordinal term which represents a cardinal is just an ordinal, “big enough for having some closure properties”.

### 0.6 *Help for Researchers outside Proof Theory*

In this article we will concentrate on carrying out the technical proofs carefully and in detail. In [Set97a] we will provide more intuition and motivation for the methods used and give some introduction into collapsing functions. Unfortunately, this article covers only the strength up to  $\Omega_\omega$ , but a future article is planned in which the bigger ordinals are covered as well.

### 0.7 *Extensions and Future Research*

It should be easy to extend the well-ordering proofs, carried out in this article, to stronger theories. To show, that the strength of Martin-Löf’s type theory with  $n$  Universes is  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I_n+\omega}$ , where  $I_n$  is the  $n$ -th inaccessible, should not cause any problems and this implies that the strength of the theory with arbitrary finitely iterated universes is  $\psi_{\Omega_1}I_\omega$ ,  $I_\omega = \sup\{I_n \mid n \in \omega\}$ .

We have carried out the ordinal analysis of the extension of Martin-Löf’s type theory by one Mahlo universe ([Set96a,Set96b]), and determined its strength as  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{M+\omega}$ , where  $M$  is the first Mahlo cardinal (one needs to extend the  $\psi$ -functions to cover this strength). We are working on extensions by even bigger universes.

In [Set97b] we show that every arithmetical  $\Pi_2$ -sentence provable in  $\text{KPI}^+$ , Kripke-Platek set theory with  $\omega$  universes, is provable in the type theory considered here. This is done by carrying out cut elimination for  $\text{KPI}^+$  using transfinite induction up to  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n}$ .

### 0.8 *Concluding Remarks*

The article is self-contained, except for some lemmata cited in Sect. 1. So all the proof-theoretical and type theoretical definitions are included.

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## 1 Ordinals in Set Theory

We will first start to present set theoretically the ordinal functions. These functions form the basis of the ordinal notation system, which we will introduce in Sect. 2, and allow to determine the order-type of this system and of each ordinal notation. The system is a slight modification of the system presented in [Buc92], and some properties are determined as in [BS88].

### 1.1 The $\psi$ -functions

**Preliminaries 1.1** *In this section we will work in  $ZF + \exists x.(x \text{ regular cardinal} \wedge \aleph_x = x)$ .*

**Definition 1.2** (variant of Definition 4.1 of [Buc92]) Let  $\#$  be the natural sum on ordinals.  $\Omega_0 := 0$ ,  $\Omega_\sigma := \aleph_\sigma$  for  $\sigma > 0$ .

$I := \min\{\sigma \mid \sigma \text{ regular Cardinal} \wedge \Omega_\sigma = \sigma\}$ , the first weakly inaccessible cardinal.

$I^+ := \sup\{\zeta_n \mid n < \omega\}$ , where  $\zeta_0 := \Omega_{I+1}$ ,  $\zeta_{n+1} := \Omega_{\zeta_n}$ ,

$\text{Ord} := \{\alpha \mid \alpha \text{ ordinal}, \alpha < I^+\}$ ,

$R := \{\sigma \in \text{Ord} \mid \omega < \sigma \wedge \sigma \text{ regular}\} = \{I\} \cup \{\Omega_{\sigma+1} \mid \sigma < I^+\}$ .

In this section let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \rho$  be elements of  $\text{Ord}$ ,  $\kappa, \lambda, \pi, \sigma, \tau$  be elements of  $R$ , all possibly with subscripts or accents. Let  $\varphi$  be the usual Veblen function.

**Definition 1.3** (variant of Definition 4.1 of [Buc92]) By transfinite recursion on  $\alpha$ , we define simultaneously for all  $\kappa$  ordinals  $\psi_\kappa \alpha$  ( $\kappa \in R$ ) and sets  $C(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq \text{Ord}$  as follows:

$$\psi_\kappa \alpha := \min\{\beta \mid \kappa \in C(\alpha, \beta) \wedge C(\alpha, \beta) \cap \kappa \subseteq \beta\} ,$$

$$C(\alpha, \beta) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the closure of } \beta \cup \{0, I\} \text{ under the functions} \\ +, \varphi, \sigma \mapsto \Omega_\sigma, (\pi, \xi) \mapsto \psi_\pi \xi \text{ } (\pi \in R, \xi < \alpha) \end{array} \right. .$$

(Note that by IH  $\psi_\pi \xi$  is already defined for all  $\xi < \alpha$ ,  $\pi \in R$ .)

We define  $\psi_\kappa : \text{Ord} \longrightarrow \text{Ord}$ ,  $\psi_\kappa(\alpha) := \psi_\kappa \alpha$ .  $C_\kappa(\alpha) := C(\alpha, \psi_\kappa \alpha)$ .

**Lemma 1.4** (*Lemma 4.4 of [Buc92]*)

- (a)  $\beta < \pi \Rightarrow \text{cardinality}(C(\alpha, \beta)) < \pi$
- (b)  $C(\alpha, \beta) = \bigcup_{\eta < \beta} C(\alpha, \eta)$ , for each limit ordinal  $\beta$ .
- (c)  $\kappa \in C(\alpha, \kappa)$ .
- (d)  $C_\kappa(\alpha) \cap \kappa = \psi_\kappa \alpha$ .

**Proof:** All statements are immediate consequences of Definition 1.3.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.5** (Lemma 4.5 of [Buc92])

- (a)  $\psi_\kappa \alpha < \kappa \wedge \psi_\kappa \alpha \notin C_\kappa(\alpha)$
- (b)  $(\alpha_0 < \alpha \wedge \alpha_0 \in C_\kappa(\alpha)) \Rightarrow \psi_\kappa \alpha_0 < \psi_\kappa \alpha$
- (c)  $\psi_\kappa \alpha \notin \{\Omega_\sigma \mid \sigma < \Omega_\sigma\} \cup \{0\} \wedge \forall \xi, \eta < \psi_\kappa \alpha. \varphi_\xi \eta, \xi + \eta < \psi_\kappa \alpha$ .
- (d)  $\Omega_\sigma \in C(\alpha, \beta) \Rightarrow \sigma \in C(\alpha, \beta)$
- (e)  $\omega^{\xi_0} \# \dots \# \omega^{\xi_n} \in C(\alpha, \beta) \Rightarrow \{\xi_0, \dots, \xi_n\} \subseteq C(\alpha, \beta)$
- (f)  $\kappa = \Omega_{\sigma+1} \Rightarrow \Omega_\sigma < \psi_\kappa \alpha < \Omega_{\sigma+1}$
- (g)  $\Omega_{\psi_1 \alpha} = \psi_1 \alpha$
- (h)  $(\Omega_\sigma \leq \gamma \leq \Omega_{\sigma+1} \wedge \gamma \in C(\alpha, \beta)) \Rightarrow \sigma \in C(\alpha, \beta)$ .
- (i)  $\alpha_0 \leq \alpha \Rightarrow (\psi_\kappa \alpha_0 \leq \psi_\kappa \alpha \wedge C_\kappa(\alpha_0) \subseteq C_\kappa(\alpha))$

**Proof:** See [Buc92]. Only in (c), we vary, but the unproven part is trivial.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.6**  $(\alpha \in C_\kappa(\alpha) \wedge \beta \in C_\pi(\beta)) \Rightarrow (\psi_\kappa \alpha = \psi_\pi \beta \Leftrightarrow (\alpha = \beta \wedge \kappa = \pi))$

**Proof:** Assume  $\alpha \in C_\kappa(\alpha) \wedge \beta \in C_\pi(\beta)$ . “ $\Leftarrow$ ”: trivial. “ $\Rightarrow$ ”: Assume  $\psi_\kappa \alpha = \psi_\pi \beta$ . Case  $\kappa = \Omega_{\sigma+1} \wedge \pi = \text{I}$ . Then  $\psi_\pi \beta = \Omega_{\psi_\pi \beta}$ ,  $\Omega_\sigma < \psi_\kappa \alpha < \Omega_{\sigma+1}$ ,  $\psi_\kappa \alpha \neq \Omega_{\psi_\kappa \alpha}$ , a contradiction. The case  $\kappa = \text{I} \neq \pi$  is similar. Case  $\kappa = \Omega_{\sigma+1}$ ,  $\pi = \Omega_{\rho+1}$ ,  $\sigma \neq \rho$ . If  $\sigma < \rho$ ,  $\psi_\kappa \alpha < \kappa \leq \Omega_\rho < \psi_\pi \beta$ , a contradiction, similarly we get a contradiction if  $\rho < \sigma$ . Therefore  $\pi = \kappa$ . In case of  $\alpha < \beta$ ,  $\alpha \in C(\alpha, \psi_\kappa \alpha) \subseteq C(\beta, \psi_\kappa \alpha) = C_\pi(\beta)$ , by Lemma 1.5 (b)  $\psi_\kappa \alpha < \psi_\pi \beta$  a contradiction. The case  $\beta < \alpha$  is similar. Therefore we conclude  $\alpha = \beta$ .  $\square$

**Definition 1.7** (a)  $\text{Lim} := \{\alpha \in \text{Ord} \mid \alpha \text{ limit ordinal}\}$ ,

$\text{Suc} := \{\alpha + 1 \mid \alpha \in \text{Ord}\}$ ,

$\text{A} := \{\alpha \in \text{Ord} \mid \alpha > 0 \wedge \forall \beta, \gamma < \alpha. \beta + \gamma < \alpha\}$ ,

$\text{G} := \{\alpha \in \text{Ord} \mid \alpha \text{ Gamma ordinal}\} = \{\alpha \in \text{Ord} \mid \alpha = \varphi_\alpha 0\}$ ,

$\text{Car} := \{\Omega_\alpha \mid 0 < \alpha \in \text{Ord}\}$ ,

$\text{Fi} := \{\alpha \in \text{Ord} \mid 0 < \alpha = \Omega_\alpha\}$ .

- (b)  $\alpha ='_{\text{NF}} \beta + \gamma \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta + \gamma = \beta \# \gamma \wedge \gamma \in \text{A} \wedge \beta \neq 0$ .
- $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \beta + \gamma \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta + \gamma = \beta \# \gamma \wedge \beta \neq 0 \wedge \gamma \neq 0$ .
- $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\beta \gamma \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \varphi_\beta \gamma \wedge \beta, \gamma < \alpha$ .

- $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\beta := \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \Omega_\beta \wedge \beta < \alpha$ .  
 $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi \gamma := \Leftrightarrow \pi \in \mathbb{R} \wedge \alpha = \psi_\pi \gamma \wedge \gamma \in C_\pi(\gamma)$ .  
(c) For  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  we define  $\kappa^-$  by:  $\Omega_{\sigma+1}^- := \Omega_\sigma$ ,  $I^- := 0$ .

**Remark 1.8** (a) If  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \beta + \gamma \wedge \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \beta' + \gamma'$  or  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\beta \gamma \wedge \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{\beta'} \gamma'$  or  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\beta \wedge \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{\beta'} \wedge \gamma = \gamma'$  or  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\beta \gamma \wedge \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \psi_{\beta'} \gamma'$  then  $\beta = \beta' \wedge \gamma = \gamma'$ .  
(b) The sets  $\{0\}$ ,  $\{I\}$ ,  $\{\alpha \mid \exists \beta, \gamma. \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \beta + \gamma\}$ ,  $\{\alpha \mid \exists \beta, \gamma. \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\beta \gamma\}$ ,  $\{\alpha \mid \exists \beta. \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\beta\}$ ,  $\{\alpha \mid \exists \pi, \gamma. \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi \gamma\}$  are disjoint.

The following shows, that in the situation  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $\pi, \beta \in C_\sigma(\alpha)$  we only need to add  $\psi_\pi \beta$  to  $C_\sigma(\alpha)$  if  $\psi_\pi \beta =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi \beta$ , i.e. if  $\beta \in C_\pi(\beta)$ :

**Definition 1.9**

$$\begin{aligned}
C'^0(\alpha, \beta) &:= \beta \cup \{0, I\} , \\
C'^{m+1}(\alpha, \beta) &:= C'^m(\alpha, \beta) \\
&\quad \cup \{ \gamma \mid \exists \delta, \rho \in C'^m(\alpha, \beta). \gamma =_{\text{NF}} \delta + \rho \vee \gamma =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\delta \rho \\
&\quad \vee \gamma =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\delta \vee (\gamma =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\delta \rho \wedge \rho < \alpha) \} , \\
C'(\alpha, \beta) &:= \bigcup_{n < \omega} C'^n(\alpha, \beta) , \\
C'_\pi(\alpha) &:= C'(\alpha, \psi_\pi \alpha) .
\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.10** (a)  $C_\kappa(\alpha) = C'_\kappa(\alpha)$ .  
(b)  $I \neq \kappa \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow C_\kappa(\alpha) = C'(\alpha, \kappa^- + 1)$ .  
(c)  $C_{\Omega_1}(I^+) = C'(I^+, 0)$

**Proof:** In the appendix, Sect. A.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.11** Assume  $(I \neq \kappa \wedge \rho = \kappa^- + 1) \vee (\kappa = I \wedge \rho = \psi_I \beta)$ ,  $\rho \leq \alpha \in C_\kappa(\beta)$ .

- (a)  $\alpha = I \vee \exists \gamma, \delta \in C_\kappa(\beta). (\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \gamma + \delta \vee \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\gamma \delta \vee \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\gamma \vee (\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\gamma \delta \wedge \delta < \beta))$   
(b) If  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\gamma \delta \vee \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \gamma + \delta \vee \alpha =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\gamma \delta \vee (\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\gamma \wedge \gamma = \delta)$  then  $\gamma, \delta \in C_\kappa(\beta)$ .

**Proof:**  $\alpha \in C_\kappa(\beta) = C'(\beta, \rho)$ .  $\square$



## 1.2 Definition of $G_{\pi\rho}$

We want to define in Sect. 2 primitive recursively an ordinal notation system for the ordinals in  $C_{\Omega_1}(I^+)$  using the functions defined above. In order to obtain unique terms it is necessary to define the sets  $C_{\pi}(\alpha)$  or more precisely represent these sets. This is done by first defining finite sets of ordinals  $G_{\pi}(\alpha)$ . These sets can be represented in our term system, and using Lemma 1.13 we can define representations of the sets  $C_{\pi}(\alpha)$  in the system of terms.

**Definition 1.12** Definition of finite sets  $G_{\pi}(\alpha)$  for  $\alpha \in C_{\Omega_1}(I^+) = C'(I^+, 0)$  by recursion on the minimal  $n$  such that  $\alpha \in C'^n(I^+, 0)$ .

- (G1)  $G_{\pi}0 := G_{\pi}I := \emptyset$ .
- (G2)  $\gamma ='_{\text{NF}} \delta + \rho$  or  $\gamma =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{\delta}\rho$  or  $(\gamma =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{\delta} \wedge \rho = \delta)$  then  
 $G_{\pi}(\gamma) := G_{\pi}\delta \cup G_{\pi}\rho$ .
- (G3) If  $\rho =_{\text{NF}} \psi_{\kappa}\beta$ , then
 
$$G_{\pi}\rho := \begin{cases} \{\beta\} \cup G_{\pi}\kappa \cup G_{\pi}\beta, & \text{if } \pi \leq \kappa \neq \text{IV} \\ & (\kappa = \text{I} \wedge (\pi \leq \psi_1\beta \vee \pi = \text{I})), \\ G_{\pi}\kappa & \text{if } \kappa < \pi = \text{I} \\ \emptyset, & \text{if } \kappa < \pi \neq \text{I} \text{ or} \\ & \kappa = \text{I} \wedge \psi_1\beta < \pi < \text{I}. \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 1.13** If  $\alpha \in C_{\Omega_1}(I^+)$ , then  $\alpha \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \Leftrightarrow G_{\pi}(\alpha) < \beta$ .

**Proof:** Induction on  $n$ , such that  $\alpha \in C'^n(I^+, 0)$ .

If  $\alpha = 0, \text{I}$  or  $\alpha ='_{\text{NF}} \gamma + \delta, \varphi_{\gamma}\delta, \Omega_{\gamma}$ , the assertion follows by IH or immediately.

Let  $\alpha = \psi_{\kappa}\xi$ ,  $\xi \in C_{\kappa}(\xi)$ ,  $\xi, \kappa \in C'(I^+, 0)$ .

Suppose  $\pi = \kappa$ . Using the IH for  $\xi, \beta$  in one direction we infer  $\alpha \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \Rightarrow \alpha < \psi_{\pi}\beta \Rightarrow \xi < \beta \wedge \kappa, \xi \in C(\xi, \alpha) \subseteq C(\beta, \psi_{\pi}\beta) = C_{\pi}(\beta) \Rightarrow G_{\pi}(\alpha) = G_{\pi}(\xi) \cup G_{\pi}(\kappa) \cup \{\xi\} < \beta$ , and in the other direction  $G_{\pi}(\alpha) < \beta \Rightarrow \xi, \kappa \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \wedge \xi < \beta \Rightarrow \psi_{\kappa}\xi \in C_{\pi}(\beta)$

Suppose  $\kappa < \pi \neq \text{I}$ . Then  $G_{\pi}(\alpha) = \emptyset$ ,  $\alpha \in C_{\pi}(\beta)$ .

Suppose  $\pi < \kappa \neq \text{I}$ . Then  $\alpha \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \Leftrightarrow \kappa, \xi \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \wedge \xi < \beta$ .

Suppose  $\pi < \kappa = \text{I}$ . In case of  $\psi_{\kappa}\xi < \pi$ , it follows  $\psi_{\kappa}\xi \in C_{\pi}(\beta)$ ,  $G_{\pi}(\alpha) = \emptyset$ , and if  $\pi \leq \psi_{\kappa}\xi$ ,  $\psi_{\kappa}\xi \in C_{\pi}(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \kappa, \xi \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \wedge \xi < \beta \Leftrightarrow G_{\pi}(\alpha) < \beta$ .

Suppose  $\kappa < \pi = \text{I}$ . Then  $\alpha \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \Leftrightarrow \psi_{\kappa}\xi < \psi_{\pi}\beta \Leftrightarrow \kappa < \psi_{\pi}\beta \Leftrightarrow \kappa \in C_{\pi}(\beta) \Leftrightarrow G_{\pi}(\kappa) < \beta \Leftrightarrow G_{\pi}(\alpha) < \beta$ .  $\square$

## 2 The Notation System OT

### 2.1 Introduction of the Notation System

Now we will introduce the ordinal notation system OT. We will work in Heyting-Arithmetic, which can be embedded in Martin-Löf's type theory in a straightforward way.

**Preliminaries 2.1** *In this section, a primitive recursive set is given by a primitive recursive function  $f$  such that  $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}. fx = 0 \vee fx = 1$ . We write  $t \in A$  for  $ft = 1$ , if  $A$  is the set denoted by  $f$ .  $A \subseteq B := \forall x \in A. x \in B$  and  $A \cong B := A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A$ .*

*In the following assume  $a, b, c, n, m, \pi, \kappa, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

We will, as usual in proof theory, first introduce a system of terms and an ordering on these terms, and then define the set of ordinal notations OT as a subset of these terms.

**Definition 2.2** We give an inductive definition of sets  $\mathbb{T}'$ ,  $\text{Suc}'$ ,  $A'$ ,  $G'$ ,  $\text{Car}'$ ,  $R'$ ,  $\text{Fi}'$  of terms together with  $\text{length}(a)$  for  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$ , where we assume some coding of the terms as natural numbers. All the sets and length can be defined primitive recursively.

( $\mathbb{T}'$  is a set of terms denoting ordinals and  $\text{Suc}'$ ,  $A'$ ,  $G'$ ,  $\text{Car}'$ ,  $R'$ ,  $\text{Fi}'$  contain terms of  $\mathbb{T}'$ , which, if in normal form, correspond to elements of  $\text{Suc}$ ,  $A$ ,  $G$ ,  $\text{Car}$ ,  $R$ ,  $\text{Fi}$  respectively.)

- (T' 1)  $0_{\text{OT}} \in \mathbb{T}'$ ,  $\text{length}(0_{\text{OT}}) := 1$ .
- (T' 2) If  $n > 0$ ,  $a_0, \dots, a_n \in A'$ , then  
 $t := (a_0, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{T}'$ , if  $a_n \in \text{Suc}'$ , then  $t \in \text{Suc}'$ ,  
 $\text{length}(t) := \text{length}(a_0) + \dots + \text{length}(a_n)$ .
- (T' 3) If  $a, b \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  $t := \varphi'_a b \in A'$ , if  $a = b = 0_{\text{OT}}$ , then  $t \in \text{Suc}'$ ,  
 $\text{length}(\varphi'_a b) := \text{length}(a) + \text{length}(b)$ .  
 $1_{\text{OT}} := \varphi'_{0_{\text{OT}}} 0_{\text{OT}}$ .
- (T' 4) If  $b \in \mathbb{T}'$ ,  $\pi \in R'$ , then  $t := \psi_\pi b \in G'$ ,  
and if  $\pi = I$ , then  $t \in \text{Fi}'$ .  
 $\text{length}(t) := \text{length}(\pi) + \text{length}(b)$ .
- (T' 5) If  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$ ,  $a \neq 0_{\text{OT}}$ , then  $t := \Omega'_a \in \text{Car}'$ ,  
if  $a \in \text{Suc}'$ , then  $t \in R'$ ,  
in all cases  $\text{length}(t) := \text{length}(a) + 1$ ,
- (T' 6)  $I \in \text{Fi}' \cap R'$ ,  $\text{length}(I) := 1$ .
- (T' 7)  $R' \subseteq \text{Car}' \subseteq G' \subseteq A' \subseteq \mathbb{T}'$ ,  $\text{Fi}' \subseteq \text{Car}' \subseteq G'$ ,  $\text{Suc}' \subseteq \mathbb{T}'$ .

$\text{Lim}' := \mathbb{T}' \setminus (\{0_{\text{OT}}\} \cup \text{Suc}')$ .

For  $a \in \mathbb{A}'$ ,  $(a) := a$ .  $() := 0$ . Therefore for every  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$  there exists a unique  $n \geq 0$  and unique  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  such that  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .

After some change of the coding we assume  $0 = 0_{\text{OT}}$ ,  $1 = 1_{\text{OT}}$ . In the following  $\pi, \kappa, \lambda$  will indicate elements of  $\mathbb{R}'$ ,  $a, b, c$  of  $\mathbb{T}'$ , whereas  $n$  will be used for natural numbers considered as natural numbers not coding elements of  $\mathbb{T}'$ .

**Definition 2.3** Definition of  $a \prec' b$  for  $a, b \in \mathbb{T}'$  (which can be defined as a primitive recursive relation) by recursion on  $\text{length}(a) + \text{length}(b)$ , using in the definition  $a \preceq' b$  as an abbreviation for  $a \prec' b \vee a = b$ .

Later  $\prec$  will be defined as the restriction of  $\prec'$  to  $\text{OT}$ .

$a \prec' b$  is false, if  $a \notin \mathbb{T}' \vee b \notin \mathbb{T}' \vee a = b$ .

- ( $\prec'$  1)  $c \neq 0 \Rightarrow 0 \prec' c$ .
- ( $\prec'$  2)  $n + m \geq 1$ ,  $a_0, \dots, a_n, b_0, \dots, b_m \in \mathbb{A}'$ , then  
 $(a_0, \dots, a_n) \prec' (b_0, \dots, b_m) :\Leftrightarrow$   
 $(n < m \wedge \forall i \leq n. a_i = b_i) \vee$   
 $(\exists j \leq \min\{n, m\}. (\forall i < j. a_i = b_i) \wedge a_j \prec' b_j)$
- ( $\prec'$  3) If  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $(\varphi'_a b \prec' \varphi'_c d) :\Leftrightarrow$   
 $((a \prec' c \wedge b \prec' \varphi'_c d) \vee (a = c \wedge b \prec' d) \vee$   
 $(c \prec' a \wedge \varphi'_a b \preceq' d)).$
- ( $\prec'$  4) If  $a, b \in \mathbb{T}'$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{G}'$ , then  
 $(\varphi'_a b \prec' c) :\Leftrightarrow \max\{a, b\} \prec' c.$
- ( $\prec'$  5)  $\pi, \kappa \in \mathbb{R}'$ ,  $b, d \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $(\psi_\pi b \prec' \psi_\kappa d) :\Leftrightarrow$   
 $(\pi = \kappa \wedge b \prec' d) \vee (\kappa \neq \text{I} \neq \pi \wedge \pi \prec' \kappa) \vee$   
 $(\pi = \text{I} \neq \kappa \wedge \psi_\pi b \prec' \kappa) \vee$   
 $(\pi \neq \kappa = \text{I} \wedge \pi \prec' \psi_\kappa d)$
- ( $\prec'$  6) If  $\text{I} \neq \pi \in \mathbb{R}'$ ,  $\kappa \in \text{Car}'$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $(\psi_\pi b \prec' \kappa) :\Leftrightarrow \pi \preceq' \kappa$
- ( $\prec'$  7)  $b, c \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $(\psi_{\text{I}} b \prec' \Omega'_c) :\Leftrightarrow \psi_{\text{I}} b \preceq' c$
- ( $\prec'$  8) If  $b \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $\psi_{\text{I}} b \prec' \text{I}.$
- ( $\prec'$  9) If  $a, c \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $(\Omega'_a \prec' \Omega'_c) :\Leftrightarrow (a \prec' c)$
- ( $\prec'$  10) If  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  
 $(\Omega'_a \prec' \text{I}) :\Leftrightarrow (a \prec' \text{I}).$
- ( $\prec'$  11) In all other cases  $a \prec' b :\Leftrightarrow \neg(b \preceq' a).$

**Lemma 2.4**  $\prec'$  is a linear ordering on  $\mathbb{T}'$ .

**Proof:** easy, but tedious.  $\square$

**Definition 2.5** We assume some implementation of finite sets  $A$  as natural numbers together with an element relation  $\in$  in Heyting Arithmetic such that the usual properties hold, especially, if  $\phi(x)$  is a primitive recursive decidable predicate, then  $\forall x \in A. \phi(x)$  is decidable, and, if  $B$  is a primitive recursive set of natural numbers, the set  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(B)$  of finite sets which are subsets of  $B$  is primitive recursive.

**Definition 2.6** Assume  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$ ,  $M, M'$  primitive recursive sets. (Later, when we are going to work in Martin-Löf's type theory, this definition will be applied to the subsets and subclasses of  $\mathbb{N}$  of this system. Further this definition applies to  $\prec, \preceq$  as defined later as well)

$$\begin{aligned} M \preceq' M' &: \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in M \exists y \in M' (x \preceq' y), \\ M \prec' M' &: \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in M \exists y \in M' (x \prec' y), \\ a \preceq' M &: \Leftrightarrow \{a\} \preceq' M. \end{aligned}$$

The  $\psi$ -function in the set theoretical system are not injective. Therefore, several terms of  $\mathbb{T}'$  denote the same ordinals. In order to get an injective map from ordinal terms into the ordinals, we need to define a set  $\mathbf{OT}$  of restricted ordinal notations, such that every ordinal term in  $\mathbf{OT}$  denotes a unique ordinal. The uniqueness is achieved, if we add  $\psi_\kappa c$  to  $\mathbf{OT}$  only, if for the ordinals  $\kappa', \gamma$  denoted by  $\kappa, c$  we have  $\gamma \in C_{\kappa'}(\gamma)$ . Lemma 1.10 (c) allows us to show that in this way we get notations for all ordinals in  $C(\mathbb{I}^+, 0)$ . We introduce sets  $C_\kappa(c)$ , corresponding to  $C_{\kappa'}(\gamma)$  by Lemma 1.13 via the sets  $G_\kappa(c)$ , corresponding to  $G_{\kappa'}(\gamma)$ .

**Definition 2.7** Inductive definition of the finite subset  $G_\pi a$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  for  $\pi \in \mathbb{R}'$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$  by recursion on  $\text{length}(a)$ .

- (G1)  $G_\pi(0) := \emptyset$ .
- (G2) If  $a_0, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{A}'$ ,  $n > 0$  then
 
$$G_\pi((a_0, \dots, a_n)) := G_\pi(a_0) \cup \dots \cup G_\pi(a_n)$$
- (G3) If  $a, b \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  $G_\pi(\varphi'_a b) := G_\pi(a) \cup G_\pi(b)$ .
- (G4) If  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}'$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then
 
$$G_\pi(\psi_\kappa b) := \begin{cases} \{b\} \cup G_\pi(\kappa) \cup G_\pi(b), & \text{if } \pi \preceq' \kappa \neq \mathbb{IV} \\ & (\kappa = \mathbb{I} \wedge (\pi \preceq' \psi_{\mathbb{I}} b \vee \pi = \mathbb{I})), \\ G_\pi(\kappa) & \text{if } \kappa \prec' \pi = \mathbb{I} \\ \emptyset, & \text{if } \kappa \prec' \pi \neq \mathbb{I} \text{ or} \\ & \kappa = \mathbb{I} \wedge \psi_{\mathbb{I}} b \prec' \pi \prec' \mathbb{I}. \end{cases}$$
- (G5) If  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$ , then  $G_\pi(\Omega'_a) := G_\pi(a)$ .
- (G6)  $G_\pi(\mathbb{I}) := \emptyset$ .

$$G_\pi^0(a) := G_\pi(a) \cup \{0\}.$$

In the following we define some sets which are analogues to the set theoretic constructions. The restriction of these sets to  $\text{OT}$ , as defined later, will give the direct translation of the constructions in set theory.

- Definition 2.8** (a) For  $a \in \mathbb{T}'$  we define the primitive-recursive set  $\text{Cr}'(a)$  of  $a$ -critical terms in  $\mathbb{T}'$ , (more precisely  $\lambda x.y.x \in_{\text{dec}} \text{Cr}'(y)$  will be primitive recursive, where  $x \in_{\text{dec}} \text{Cr}'(y)$  is the boolean value corresponding to the relation  $x \in \text{Cr}'(y)$ ):
- $0, (a_1, \dots, a_n) \notin \text{Cr}'(a)$ .
  - $\varphi'_b c \in \text{Cr}'(a) :\Leftrightarrow a \prec' b$ .
  - If  $b \in G'$ , then  $b \in \text{Cr}'(a) :\Leftrightarrow a \prec' b$ .
- (b) For  $a, b \in \mathbb{T}'$  we define  $\tilde{C}_a(b) := \{c \in \mathbb{T}' \mid G_a(c) \prec' b\}$ , which is primitive recursive (again more precisely  $\lambda x.y.z.x \in_{\text{dec}} \tilde{C}_y(z)$  will be primitive recursive). ( $\tilde{C}_a(b)$  corresponds to the set  $C_\alpha(\beta)$  in set theory.)

**Definition 2.9** We define the set  $\text{OT}$  of ordinal notations, which will be a subset of  $\mathbb{T}'$ .

- (OT 1)  $0 \in \text{OT}$ .
- (OT 2) If  $n > 0, a_0, \dots, a_n \in \text{OT} \cap A', a_n \preceq' a_{n-1} \preceq' \dots \preceq' a_0$ , then  $(a_0, \dots, a_n) \in \text{OT}$ ,
- (OT 3) If  $a, b \in \text{OT}, b \notin \text{Cr}'(a), \neg(b = 0 \wedge a \in G')$  then  $\varphi'_a b \in \text{OT}$ .
- (OT 4) If  $b \in \text{OT} \pi \in R' \cap \text{OT}, G_\pi(b) \prec' b$ , then  $\psi_\pi b \in \text{OT}$ ,
- (OT 5) If  $a \in \text{OT} \setminus (\text{Fi}' \cup \{0\})$ , then  $\Omega'_a \in \text{OT}$ .
- (OT 6)  $I \in \text{OT}$ .

$\text{Fi} := \text{Fi}' \cap \text{OT}, R := R' \cap \text{OT}, G := G' \cap \text{OT}, A := A' \cap \text{OT}, \text{Suc} := \text{Suc}' \cap \text{OT},$   
 $\text{Car} := \text{Car}' \cap \text{OT} \text{Cr}(a) := \text{Cr}'(a) \cap \text{OT}, C_a(b) := \tilde{C}_a(b) \cap \text{OT}.$

$a \prec b :\Leftrightarrow a \prec' b \wedge a \in \text{OT} \wedge b \in \text{OT}, a \preceq b :\Leftrightarrow a \preceq' b \wedge a \in \text{OT} \wedge b \in \text{OT}.$

In the following, we write sometimes  $a$  for the primitive recursively decidable set  $\{x \in \text{OT} \mid x \prec a\}$ .

## 2.2 Functions in $\text{OT}$

**Definition 2.10** (a) For  $a, b \in \mathbb{T}'$  we define  $a +_{\text{OT}} b$ ,  $+_{\text{OT}}$  being a primitive recursive function. We will always omit the index  $\text{OT}$ .

Let  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n), b = (b_1, \dots, b_m), n, m \geq 0$ .

If  $m \geq 1$  and  $a_i \prec b_1$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then  $a + b := b$ . If  $m = 0$  (therefore  $b = 0$ ),  $a + b := a$ . Otherwise, there exists  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such

that  $b_1 \preceq a_j$ ,  $a_i \prec b_1$  for all  $i \in \{j+1, \dots, m\}$ . With this  $j$  we define  $a + b := (a_1, \dots, a_j, b_1, \dots, b_m)$ .

- (b) For  $a \in \mathbf{T}'$ ,  $n$  a natural number, we define  $a \cdot n$ :  $a \cdot 0 := 0$ ,  $a \cdot (n+1) := (a \cdot n) + a$ .  $(a, n) \mapsto a \cdot n$  is primitive recursive.
- (c) For  $a, b \in \mathbf{T}'$  we define  $\varphi_a b$ .  $\varphi$  will be primitive recursively definable.  
If  $b \in \text{Cr}(a)$ , then  $\varphi_a b := b$ .  
If  $b = 0 \wedge a \in \mathbf{G}'$ , then  $\varphi_a b := a$ .  
Otherwise  $\varphi_a b := \varphi'_a b$ .
- (d) For  $a \in \mathbf{T}'$  we define  $\Omega_a$ ,  $\Omega$  will be primitive recursively definable.  
 $\Omega_0 := 0$ , if  $a \in \text{Fi}$ , then  $\Omega_a := a$ , otherwise  $\Omega_a := \Omega'_a$ .
- (e)  $\Omega_a^0 := a$ ,  $\Omega_a^{n+1} := \Omega_{\Omega_a^n}$ .

**Definition 2.11** (a) We define  $a =_{\text{NF}} b + c$ , iff for some  $n, m \geq 1$  and  $c_i, d_i \in \text{OT}$ ,  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ ,  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_m)$ ,  $a = (b_1, \dots, b_n, c_1, \dots, c_m)$  and  $a \in \text{OT}$ .

$a ='_{\text{NF}} b + c \Leftrightarrow a =_{\text{NF}} b + c \wedge c \in \mathbf{A}$ .

- (b)  $a =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c \Leftrightarrow a = \varphi'_b c \wedge a \in \text{OT}$ .
- (c)  $a =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b \Leftrightarrow a = \Omega'_b \wedge a \in \text{OT}$ .
- (d)  $a =_{\text{NF}} \psi_b c \Leftrightarrow a = \psi_b c \wedge a \in \text{OT}$ .

**Remark 2.12** (a)  $\forall x, y \in \text{OT}. \forall n \in \mathbf{N}. x + y, x \cdot n, \varphi_x y, \Omega_x, \Omega_x^n \in \text{OT}$ .

- (b)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}. \exists y, z \in \text{OT}. x = 0 \vee x = \text{I} \vee x ='_{\text{NF}} y + z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_y z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_y \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_y z$ .
- (c)  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbf{T}'. (x =_{\text{NF}} y + z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_y z \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_y \wedge y = z) \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_y z) \rightarrow (\text{length}(y) < \text{length}(x) \wedge \text{length}(z) < \text{length}(x))$ .
- (d)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}. \forall y, z \in \mathbf{T}'. (x =_{\text{NF}} y + z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_y z \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_y \wedge y = z) \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_y z) \rightarrow y, z \in \text{OT}$ .
- (e)  $\forall x, y, y' \in \text{OT}. (y \prec y' \rightarrow x + y \prec x + y')$ .
- (f)  $\forall x, y, x', y' \in \text{OT}. \varphi_x y \prec \varphi_{x'} y' \leftrightarrow ((x \prec x' \wedge y \prec \varphi_{x'} y) \vee (x = x' \wedge y \prec y') \vee (x' \prec x \wedge \varphi_x y \preceq y'))$ .
- (g)  $\forall x, y \in \text{OT}. \Omega_x \prec \Omega_y \leftrightarrow x \prec y$ .
- (h)  $\forall x, y. x \preceq x + y \wedge y \preceq x + y \wedge x \preceq \varphi_x y \wedge y \preceq \varphi_x y \wedge x \preceq \Omega_x$ .

**Definition 2.13** (a) For  $\kappa \in R$  we define  $\kappa^-$ , the predecessor of a cardinal by  $\Omega'_{s+1} := \Omega_s$ ,  $\text{I}^- := 0$ .

- (b) For  $a : \mathbf{N}$  we define  $\tilde{a}$ ,  $a^+$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}}$ . ( $\tilde{a}$  will be the largest cardinal below,  $a^+$  the least cardinal greater than  $a$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}}$  the largest element of  $\text{Fi}'$  below and, if  $a \prec \text{I}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}}$  the least element of  $\text{Fi}'$  greater than  $a$ ).

If  $a \notin \text{OT}$ ,  $\tilde{a}$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}}$ ,  $a^+$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}}$  are defined arbitrarily.

$\tilde{0} := 0^{-\text{Fi}} := 0$ ,  $0^+ := \Omega_1$ ,  $0^{+\text{Fi}} := \psi_1 0$ .

If  $a = (a_0, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $n > 0$ , then  $\tilde{a} := \tilde{a}_0$ ,  $a^+ := a_0^+$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}} := a_0^{-\text{Fi}}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}} := a_0^{+\text{Fi}}$ .

If  $a =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c$ , then with  $d := \max\{b, c\}$  we define  $\tilde{a} := \tilde{d}$ ,  $a^+ := d^+$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}} := d^{-\text{Fi}}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}} := d^{+\text{Fi}}$ .

If  $a =_{\text{NF}} \psi_b c$ ,  $b \neq \text{I}$ , then  $\tilde{a} := b^-$ ,  $a^+ := b$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}} := b^{-\text{Fi}}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}} := b^{+\text{Fi}}$ .

- If  $a =_{\text{NF}} \psi_I c$ ,  $\tilde{a} := a^{-\text{Fi}} := a$ ,  $a^+ := \Omega_{a+1}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}} := \psi_I(c+1)$ .  
 If  $a =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b$ ,  $\tilde{a} := a$ ,  $a^{-\text{Fi}} := b^{-\text{Fi}}$ ,  $a^+ := \Omega_{b+1}$ ,  $a^{+\text{Fi}} := b^{+\text{Fi}}$ .  
 $\tilde{I} := I$ ,  $I^+ := \Omega_{I+1}$ ,  $I^{-\text{Fi}} := I$ ,  $I^{+\text{Fi}} := I$ .
- (c)  $a^{-1} := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a \prec I \\ I & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

**Remark 2.14** (a)  $\forall x, y \in \text{OT}.\tilde{x}, x^+, x^{-\text{Fi}}, x^{+\text{Fi}}, x^{-I}, x^{+I} \in \text{OT}$ .

- (b)  $\forall x, y \in \text{OT}.x \preceq y \rightarrow (\tilde{x} \preceq \tilde{y} \wedge x^+ \preceq y^+ \wedge x^{-\text{Fi}} \preceq y^{-\text{Fi}} \wedge x^{+\text{Fi}} \preceq y^{+\text{Fi}} \wedge x^{-I} \preceq y^{-I} \wedge x^{+I} \preceq y^{+I})$ .
- (c)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}.\forall y \in \mathbf{R}.x \prec y^- \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_y(x) \cong \emptyset$ .
- (d)  $\forall x \in \mathbf{R}.\forall y \in \mathbf{T}.\mathbf{G}_x(\tilde{y}) \subseteq \mathbf{G}_x(y) \wedge \mathbf{G}_x(y^{-\text{Fi}}) \subseteq \mathbf{G}_x(y) \wedge (y \in \mathbf{R}' \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_x(y^-) \subseteq \mathbf{G}_x(y))$ .
- (e)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}.\tilde{x}^+ = x^+$ .
- (f)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}.\exists y \in \text{OT}.\tilde{x} = \Omega_y \wedge x^+ = \Omega_{y+1} \wedge \tilde{x} \preceq x \prec x^+$
- (g)  $\forall x \in \text{OT} \cap \psi_I 0.x^{-\text{Fi}} = 0 \wedge x^{+\text{Fi}} = \psi_I 0$ .  
 $\forall x \in \text{OT}.\psi_I 0 \preceq x \prec I \rightarrow \exists y \in \text{OT}.y \in C_I(y) \wedge x^{-\text{Fi}} = \psi_I y \wedge x^{+\text{Fi}} = \psi_I(y+1) \wedge x^{-\text{Fi}} \preceq x \prec x^{+\text{Fi}}$ .  
 $\forall x \in \text{OT}.I \prec x \rightarrow x^{-\text{Fi}} = x^{+\text{Fi}} = I$ .
- (h)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}.\forall n, m \in \mathbf{N}.n < m \rightarrow \Omega_{x+1}^n \prec \Omega_{x+1}^m$ .
- (i)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}.\exists n \in \mathbf{N}.x \prec \Omega_{x^{-\text{Fi}+1}}^n$ .
- (j)  $c \prec' d \rightarrow \tilde{C}_b(c) \subseteq \tilde{C}_b(d)$ .
- (k)  $a \in \tilde{C}_b(c) \rightarrow a+1 \in \tilde{C}_b(c)$ ,  $\psi_a b \in \text{OT} \rightarrow \psi_a(b+1) \in \text{OT}$ .

**Remark 2.15** (a)  $0, I \in C_\kappa(b)$ .

- (b) If  $b =_{\text{NF}} c+d$  or  $b =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_c d$  or  $b =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_c \wedge c = d$ , then  $b \in C_\kappa(a) \Leftrightarrow c, d \in C_\kappa(a)$ .
- (c) If  $b \in \text{OT} \wedge b \prec \kappa$ , then  $b \in C_\kappa(a) \Leftrightarrow b \prec \psi_\kappa a$ .
- (d) If  $b =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi d$ , then  $b \in C_\kappa(a) \Leftrightarrow (b \prec \psi_\kappa a \vee (\pi, d \in C_\kappa(a) \wedge d \prec a))$ .
- (e) If  $b =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi d$ ,  $\kappa \neq I$ , then  $b \in C_\kappa(a) \Leftrightarrow (b \preceq \kappa^- \vee (\pi, d \in C_\kappa(a) \wedge d \prec a))$ .

### 3 The Type Theories $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$ , $\text{ML}_J$

We are going to prove the lower bounds for two versions of type theory. Both are versions of intensional Martin-Löf's type theory with W-type and a universe in the formulation à la Tarski. One is  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$ , which is a slightly weakened version of the formulation by Troelstra and van Dalen in [TD88] and extends the version in Troelstra's article [Tro87]. We have slightly changed the rules, in order to be as close as possible to the other version (see Remark 3.3 for details). The other version is  $\text{ML}_J$ , which is a formulation, where we have the elimination rules for the identity type using the constructor J. The rules for J can be found in [PSH90,NPS90]. We have chosen here a polymorphic version, since we have there less bureaucracy. However, there seems to be no problem to carry out the well-ordering proofs in monomorphic type theory as

well. Although  $ML_J$  seems to be weaker than  $ML_{[TD]}$ , we do not know how to carry out an embedding and therefore, in order to obtain a lower bound for all versions, we will carry out the well-ordering proof in both  $ML_J$  and  $ML_{[TD],aux}$ , which will not cause almost any additional work.

There has been a further change in the presentation of type theory, namely that one uses nowadays the logical framework. But since versions using the logical framework can be easily seen as extensions of  $ML_J$  and we are here interested in lower bounds, we will carry out the proof only in the weakest versions. However using abbreviations we are going to present the rules almost as if we had the logical framework available.

We will write  $A$  type instead of  $A$  set, since we have in the absence of the logical framework no real types and we want to use the terminology set for subsets of the natural numbers.

For technical reasons we introduce theories  $ML_{[TD],aux}$  and  $ML_{J,aux}$ , which are variants of  $ML_{[TD]}$  and  $ML_J$ . From every statement in  $ML_{[TD],aux}$  we get a statement in  $ML_{[TD]}$ , but in  $ML_{[TD],aux}$  we can more easily switch between the universe and the main level, similar for  $ML_{J,aux}$  and  $ML_J$ . We will afterwards work in  $ML_{[TD],aux}$  and  $ML_{J,aux}$ .

### 3.1 Definition of $ML_{[TD]}$ , $ML_J$ and $ML_{[TD],aux}$

**Definition 3.1** (a) In the following “the four type theories” refers to  $ML_{[TD]}$ ,  $ML_J$ ,  $ML_{J,aux}$  and  $ML_{[TD],aux}$ . If not stated differently, every definition refers to all four type theories.

(b) The symbols are infinitely many variables  $z_i$  ( $i \in \omega$ ); the symbols  $\Rightarrow, :, ,, (, ), =$ ; the term constructors (with their arity in parenthesis)  $i_k$  (for each  $i < k$ , with arity 0),  $0$  (0),  $\hat{N}_k$  (for each  $k \in \omega$ , with arity 0),  $\hat{N}$  (0),  $S$  (1),  $\lambda$  (1),  $i$  (1),  $j$  (1),  $r$  (1),  $Ap$  (2),  $p$  (2),  $E$  (2),  $sup$  (2),  $R$  (2),  $\hat{\Pi}$  (2),  $\hat{\Sigma}$  (2),  $\hat{+}$  (2),  $\hat{W}$  (2),  $P$  (3),  $D$  (3),  $\hat{I}$  (3),  $C_k$  ( $k \in \omega$ , arity  $k + 1$ ), the type constructors with their arity  $N_k$  (for each  $k \in \omega$ , arity 0),  $N$  (0),  $U$  (0),  $T$  (1),  $\Pi$  (2),  $\Sigma$  (2),  $+$  (2),  $W$  (2) and  $I$  (3). Additionally  $ML_J$  and  $ML_{J,aux}$  have the term constructor  $J$  with arity 2 and  $ML_{[TD],aux}$  and  $ML_{J,aux}$  have the underlined type constructors  $\underline{N}_k$  (for each  $k \in \omega$ , arity 0),  $\underline{N}$  (0),  $\underline{\Pi}$  (2),  $\underline{\Sigma}$  (2),  $\underline{+}$  (2),  $\underline{W}$  (2) and  $\underline{I}$  (3).

$N_k, N, \Pi, \Sigma, +, I, W$  are called the small type constructors, and for each of each such constructor  $C$  let  $\underline{C}$  is the corresponding underlined type constructor, and  $\hat{C}$  is the corresponding term constructor with the “hat”.

(c) The b-objects of each of the four type theories are variables,  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)b$  and  $C(b_1, \dots, b_n)$ , if  $C$  is an  $n$ -ary term, type or (in case of  $ML_{[TD],aux}$ ,  $ML_{J,aux}$ ) underlined type constructor  $b, b_1, \dots, b_n$  are b-objects and  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are variables.

The set of free variables  $FV(b)$  of a b-object  $b$  are defined in the usual



way. We write  $+$ ,  $\pm$  and  $\hat{+}$  infix (e.g.  $(a + b)$  for  $+(a, b)$ ).

We define for b-objects  $b_1, \dots, b_n, b$  and variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  the simultaneous substitution  $b[x_1 := b_1, \dots, x_n := b_n]$ , which respects abstraction  $(y_1, \dots, y_m)$ , in the usual way, using the convention, that if the same variable  $y$  occurs more than once, only the substitution  $x_i := b_i$  with  $i$  minimal such that  $x_i = y$  applies. “ $b[x_1 := b_1, \dots, x_n := b_n]$  is an allowed substitution”, and  $\alpha$ -equality ( $=_\alpha$ ) are defined in the usual way.

- (d) The set of m-terms of the four type theories is inductively defined as: a variable  $x$  is an m-term; if  $i < k$ ,  $i, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $i_k$  is an m-term; and if  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\hat{N}_k$  is an m-term; if  $r, s, t$  are m-terms,  $x, y, z, x' \in \text{Var}_{\text{ML}}$ ,  $x \neq y \neq z \neq x$ , then  $0, S(r), P(r, s, (x, y)t), \lambda((x)r), \text{Ap}(r, s), p(r, s), E(r, (x, y)s), i(r), j(r), D(r, (x)s, (x')t), \mathbf{r}(r), \text{sup}(r, s), R(r, (x, y, z)s), \hat{N}, \hat{\Pi}(r, (x)s), \hat{\Sigma}(r, (x)s), r\hat{+}s, \hat{I}(r, s, t)$  and  $\hat{W}(r, (x)s)$  are m-terms; if  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r, s_1, \dots, s_n$  are m-terms, then  $C_n(r, s_1, \dots, s_n)$  is an m-term.

Additionally with the same  $r, s, x$  as before in  $\text{ML}_J$  and  $\text{ML}_{J, \text{aux}}$   $J(r, (x)s)$  is an m-term.

Abstracted m-terms are  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)r$  for some m-term  $r$  and variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  (In the case  $n = 0$ ,  $()r := r$ ).

- (e) The m-types of the four type theories are  $N_k (k \in \omega), (k \in \omega), N, U$ ; and if  $A, B$  are m-types,  $x \in \text{Var}_{\text{ML}}$ ,  $r, s$  m-terms, then  $\Pi(A, (x)B), \Sigma(A, (x)B), A + B, I(A, r, s), W(A, (x)B), T(r)$  are m-types.

Additionally, in  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}], \text{aux}}$  and  $\text{ML}_{J, \text{aux}}$ , with the same  $k, A, B, x, r, s$  we have that  $\underline{N}_k, \underline{N}, \underline{\Pi}(A, (x)B), \underline{\Sigma}(A, (x)B), A \pm B, \underline{I}(A, r, s), \underline{W}(A, (x)B)$  are m-types.

Abstracted m-types are  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)A$  for some m-type  $A$  (again  $()A := A$ ).

- (f) If  $r \equiv (x_1, \dots, x_n)s$  is an abstracted m-term or m-type,  $r_1, \dots, r_n, n \geq 1$  are m-terms or m-types, then  $r(r_1, \dots, r_n) := s[x_1 := r_1, \dots, x_n := r_n]$ .  $r$  is a suitable abstracted m-term means in the following, that if  $r(r_1, \dots, r_n)$  occurs, then  $r \equiv (x_1, \dots, x_n)s$  for some  $x_i$  and  $s$ , and the substitution is allowed.

Similarly we define for abstracted m-types  $A$  and m-terms  $r_i, A(r_1, \dots, r_n)$  and suitable abstracted m-types.

- (g) An m-context-piece is a string  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n$  where  $n \geq 0$ ,  $x_i$  different variables,  $A_i$  m-type.

An m-context is an m-context-piece  $x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n$ , such that  $\text{FV}(A_i) \subseteq \{x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}\}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . The empty context ( $n = 0$ ) will be denoted by  $\emptyset$  and the concatenation of the context pieces  $\Delta$  and  $\Delta'$  by  $\Delta, \Delta'$ .

The m-judgements are the following: context,  $A$  type,  $A = B, s : A$  and  $s = t : A$  where  $A, B$  are m-types and  $s, t$  m-terms.

A dependent m-judgement is an expression  $\Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$  where  $\Gamma$  is a m-context,  $\Theta$  an m-judgement. Two dependent m-judgements  $\Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$  and  $\Gamma' \Rightarrow \Theta'$  are  $\alpha$ -equivalent, if they differ only in the choice of bounded variables.

We write, if  $\Theta$  is a judgement,  $\Theta$  instead of  $\emptyset \Rightarrow \Theta$ , and, if  $\Gamma$  is a context-piece,  $\Gamma$  context instead of  $\Gamma \Rightarrow$  context.

**Definition 3.2** of the four type theories  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$ ,  $\text{ML}_J$  and  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$  and  $\text{ML}_{J,\text{aux}}$ .

(a) We will define the rules, which are of the form

$$(Rule) \frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma_1 \Rightarrow \Theta_1 \\ \dots \\ \Gamma_n \Rightarrow \Theta_n \end{array}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta}$$

where  $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n, \Gamma$  are m-context-pieces,  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_n, \Theta$  are m-judgements ( $n = 0$  is allowed) of the four type theories. Then we define for  $T \in \{\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}, \text{ML}_J, \text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}\}$   $T \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$  inductively by:

If  $(Rule)$  is a rule of  $T$  as above,  $\Delta$  is an m-context of  $T$  such that the following holds:

- $\Delta, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Delta, \Gamma_n, \Delta, \Gamma$  are m-contexts of  $T$ ;
- $T \vdash \Delta, \Gamma_i \Rightarrow \Theta_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ;
- if  $n = 0$  and  $\Delta, \Gamma \neq \emptyset$ , then  $T \vdash \Delta, \Gamma$  context.

Then  $T \vdash \Delta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$ .

In (b) - (d) let  $A, B, C, D$  be in each rule suitable abstracted m-types,  $a, b, c, r, s, t$  suitable abstracted m-terms,  $\Theta$  be an m-judgement,  $\Gamma$  be an m-context-piece of the currently treated type theory, all possibly with indices or accents '.

Further let  $x, y, z, u$  be variables. If for some abstracted m-term or m-type  $A$  we have an occurrence of  $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , in the first such occurrence as a premise of a rule assume  $x_i \notin \text{FV}(A)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ). Further assume that all substitutions are allowed.

$A \rightarrow B$  abbreviates  $\Pi(A, (x)B)$  for a new variable  $x$ .

(b)

The rules of  $\text{ML}_J$  are as follows:

### General Rules

$(Cont) \quad \frac{A \text{ type}}{x : A \text{ context}}$	$(Ass) \quad \frac{x : A, \Gamma \text{ context}}{x : A, \Gamma \Rightarrow x : A}$ <p style="text-align: center;"><math>x : B</math> not a context-piece in <math>\Gamma</math></p>
$(Ref_1) \quad \frac{r : A}{r = r : A}$	$(Ref_2) \quad \frac{A \text{ type}}{A = A}$
$(Sym_1) \quad \frac{r = s : A}{s = r : A}$	$(Sym_2) \quad \frac{A = B}{B = A}$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{(Trans}_1\text{)} \quad \frac{r = s : A \quad s = t : A}{r = t : A} \\
\text{(Repl}_1\text{)} \quad \frac{r : A \quad A = B}{r : B} \\
\text{(Sub}_1\text{)} \quad \frac{x : A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta \quad \Rightarrow t : A}{\Gamma[x := t] \Rightarrow \Theta[x := t]} \\
\text{(Alpha)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta}{\Gamma' \Rightarrow \Theta'} \quad \text{Where } \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta \text{ and } \Gamma' \Rightarrow \Theta', \\
\text{are } \alpha\text{-equivalent}
\end{array}
\qquad
\begin{array}{c}
\text{(Trans}_2\text{)} \quad \frac{A = B \quad B = C}{A = C} \\
\text{(Repl}_2\text{)} \quad \frac{r = s : A \quad A = B}{r = s : B} \\
\text{(Sub}_2\text{)} \quad \frac{x : A, \Gamma \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \quad t = t' : A}{\Gamma[x := t] \Rightarrow B(t) = B(t')} \\
\text{(Sub}_3\text{)} \quad \frac{x : A, \Gamma \Rightarrow s(x) : B(x) \text{ type} \quad t = t' : A}{\Gamma[x := t] \Rightarrow s(t) = s(t')}
\end{array}$$

### Type Introduction Rules

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{(N}_k^T\text{)} \quad N_k \text{ type} \\
(k \in \mathbb{N}) \\
\text{(}\Pi^T\text{)} \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type}}{\Pi(A, B) \text{ type}} \\
\text{(}\Sigma^T\text{)} \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type}}{\Sigma(A, B) \text{ type}} \\
\text{(}\text{+}^T\text{)} \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad B \text{ type}}{A + B \text{ type}} \\
\text{(}\text{I}^T\text{)} \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad r : A \quad s : A}{\text{I}(A, r, s) \text{ type}} \\
\text{(}\text{W}^T\text{)} \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type}}{\text{W}(A, B) \text{ type}}
\end{array}$$

### Introduction Rules

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{(N}_k^I\text{)} \quad i_k : N_k \\
(i < k, i, k \in \mathbb{N}) \\
\text{(N}_0^I\text{)} \quad 0 : \mathbb{N}
\end{array}$$

$$(N_0^I) \frac{r : N}{S(r) : N}$$

$$(\Pi^I) \frac{x : A \Rightarrow t(x) : B(x)}{\lambda(t) : \Pi(A, B)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \\ r : A \\ s : B(r) \\ (\Sigma^I) \frac{}{p(r, s) : \Sigma(A, B)} \end{array}$$

$$(+_1^I) \frac{r : A \quad B \text{ type}}{i(r) : A+B}$$

$$(+_2^I) \frac{A \text{ type} \quad r : B}{j(r) : A+B}$$

$$(I^I) \frac{s : A}{\mathbf{r}(s) : I(A, s, s)}$$

$$(W^I) \frac{x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \quad r : A \quad s : B(r) \rightarrow W(A, B)}{\text{sup}(r, s) : W(A, B)}$$

### Elimination Rules

$$(N_k^E) \frac{z : N_k \Rightarrow D(z) \text{ type} \quad r : N_k \quad s_i : D(i_k) \quad (i = 0 \dots k-1)}{C_k(r, s_0, \dots, s_{k-1}) : D(r)} \quad (k \in \mathbb{N})$$

$$(\Pi^E) \frac{x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \quad s : \Pi(A, B) \quad r : A}{\text{Ap}(s, r) : B(r)}$$

$$(N^E) \frac{r : N \quad z : N \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \quad s : C(0) \quad x : N, y : C(x) \Rightarrow t(x, y) : C(S(x))}{P(r, s, t) : C(r)}$$

$$(\Sigma^E) \frac{x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \quad r : \Sigma(A, B) \quad z : \Sigma(A, B) \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \quad x : A, y : B(x) \Rightarrow t(x, y) : C(p(x, y))}{E(r, t) : C(r)}$$

$$(+^E) \frac{z : A+B \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \quad r : A+B \quad x : A \Rightarrow s(x) : C(i(x)) \quad y : B \Rightarrow t(y) : C(j(y))}{D(r, s, t) : C(r)}$$

$$(I^E)^* \frac{s : A \quad s' : A \quad r : I(A, s, s') \quad x : A, y : A, z : I(A, x, y) \Rightarrow C(x, y, z) \text{ type}}{J(r, t) : C(s, s', r)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \\
r : W(A, B) \\
u : W(A, B) \Rightarrow C(u) \text{ type} \\
x : A, y : B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B), z : \Pi(B(x), (v)C(\text{Ap}(y, v))) \\
\Rightarrow t(x, y, z) : C(\text{sup}(x, y)) \\
\hline
(\text{W}^{\text{E}}) \frac{}{R(r, t) : C(r)} \\
(v \notin \text{FV}(C))
\end{array}$$

### Equality Rules

$$\begin{array}{c}
z : N_k \Rightarrow D(z) \text{ type} \\
(\text{N}_k^=) \frac{s_i : D(i_k)(i = 0, \dots, k-1)}{C_k(i_k, s_0, \dots, s_{k-1}) = s_i : D(i_k)} \\
(i < k, i, k \in \mathbb{N})
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
z : \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \\
s : C(0) \\
(\text{N}_0^=) \frac{x : \mathbb{N}, y : C(x) \Rightarrow t(x, y) : C(S(x))}{P(0, s, t) = s : C(0)}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
r : \mathbb{N} \\
z : \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \\
s : C(0) \\
(\text{N}_S^=) \frac{x : \mathbb{N}, y : C(x) \Rightarrow t(x, y) : C(S(x))}{P(S(r), s, t) = t(r, P(r, s, t)) : C(S(r))}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
x : A \Rightarrow t(x) : B(x) \\
(\text{II}^=) \frac{r : A}{\text{Ap}(\lambda(t), r) = t(r) : B(r)}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \\
r : A \\
s : B(r) \\
z : \Sigma(A, B) \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \\
(\Sigma^=) \frac{x : A, y : B(x) \Rightarrow t(x, y) : C(p(x, y))}{E(p(r, s), t) = t(r, s) : C(p(r, s))}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
r : A \\
z : A+B \Rightarrow C(z) \text{ type} \\
x : A \Rightarrow s(x) : C(i(x)) \\
y : B \Rightarrow t(y) : C(j(y)) \\
(+1^=) \frac{}{D(i(r), s, t) = s(r) : C(i(r))}
\end{array}
\quad
\begin{array}{c}
r : B \\
z : A+B \Rightarrow C \text{ type} \\
x : A \Rightarrow s(x) : C(i(x)) \\
y : B \Rightarrow t(y) : C(j(y)) \\
(+2^=) \frac{}{D(j(r), s, t) = t(r) : C(j(r))}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
s : A \\
x : A, y : A, z : I(A, x, y) \Rightarrow C(x, y, z) \text{ type} \\
(I^-)^* \frac{x : A \Rightarrow t(x) : C(x, x, \mathbf{r}(x))}{J(\mathbf{r}(s), t) = t(s) : C(s, s, \mathbf{r}(s))}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type} \\
r : A \\
s : B(r) \rightarrow W(A, B) \\
u : W(A, B) \Rightarrow C(u) \text{ type} \\
x : A, y : B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B), \\
(W=) \frac{z : \Pi(B(x), (v)C(\text{Ap}(y, v))) \Rightarrow t(x, y, z) : C(\text{sup}(x, y))}{R(\text{sup}(r, s), t) = t(r, s, \lambda((v')R(\text{Ap}(s, v'), t)))} \\
: C(\text{sup}(r, s)) \\
(\text{if } v \notin \text{FV}(C), v' \notin \text{FV}(s) \cup \text{FV}(t))
\end{array}$$

### Rules for the Universe

#### Type Introduction Rules for the Universe

$$(U^I) \quad U \text{ type} \qquad (T^I) \frac{a : U}{T(a) \text{ type}}$$

#### Introduction Rules for the Universe

$$(\hat{N}_k^I) \quad \hat{N}_k : U \qquad (\hat{N}^I) \quad \hat{N} : U \\
k \in \omega$$

$$(\hat{\Pi}^I) \frac{a : U \quad x : T(a) \Rightarrow b(x) : U}{\hat{\Pi}(a, b) : U} \qquad (\hat{\Sigma}^I) \frac{a : U \quad x : T(a) \Rightarrow b(x) : U}{\hat{\Sigma}(a, b) : U}$$

$$(\hat{\dagger}^I) \frac{a : U \quad b : U}{a \hat{\dagger} b : U} \qquad (\hat{I}^I) \frac{a : U \quad r : T(a) \quad s : T(b)}{\hat{I}(a, r, s) : U}$$

$$(\hat{W}^I) \frac{a : U \quad x : T(a) \Rightarrow b(x) : U}{\hat{W}(a, b) : U}$$

## Equality Rules for the Universe

$$(\widehat{N}_k^=) \quad \frac{}{T(\widehat{N}_k) = N_k} \quad (k \in \omega) \qquad (\widehat{N}^=) \quad T(\widehat{N}) = N$$

$$(\widehat{\Pi}^=) \quad \frac{a : U \quad x : T(a) \Rightarrow b(x) : U}{T(\widehat{\Pi}(a, b)) = \Pi(T(a), (x)T(b(x)))}$$

$$(\widehat{\Sigma}^=) \quad \frac{a : U \quad x : T(a) \Rightarrow b(x) : U}{T(\widehat{\Sigma}(a, b)) = \Sigma(T(a), (x)T(b(x)))}$$

$$(\widehat{+}^=) \quad \frac{a : U \quad b : U}{T(a \widehat{+} b) = T(a) + T(b)} \qquad (\widehat{I}^=) \quad \frac{a : U \quad r : T(a) \quad s : T(b)}{T(\widehat{I}(a, r, s)) = I(T(a), r, s)}$$

$$(\widehat{W}^I) \quad \frac{a : U \quad x : T(a) \Rightarrow b(x) : U}{T(\widehat{W}(a, b)) = W(T(a), (x)T(b(x)))}$$

- (c) The Rules for  $ML_{[TD]}$  are the same as for  $ML_J$  (but referring to m-terms, -types etc. of  $ML_{[TD]}$  instead of  $ML_J$ ) but with the elimination- and equality rules for the identity type ( $I^E$ ) and ( $I^=$ ) (denoted by  $*$ ) replaced by the following rule:

$$(I^E) \quad \frac{s : A \quad s' : A \quad r : I(A, s, s')}{s = s' : A}$$

- (d) The Rules for  $ML_{[TD],aux}$  ( $ML_{J,aux}$ ) are the same rules as for  $ML_{[TD]}$  ( $ML_J$ ). Additionally we have the following rules for the underlined constructors:

$$(\underline{\Pi}^T) \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type}}{\underline{\Pi}(A, B) \text{ type}} \qquad (\underline{\Pi}^=) \quad \frac{A \text{ type} \quad x : A \Rightarrow B(x) \text{ type}}{\underline{\Pi}(A, B) = \Pi(A, B)}$$

Similarly for  $N$ ,  $N_k$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $+$ ,  $I$ ,  $W$ .

**Remark 3.3** on the versions considered.

- (a) Apart from modifications of names, we have changed  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$  in the following sense relative to the formulation in [TD88], in order to be as close to “ $\text{ML}_J$ ” (which slightly weakens the system, but this is no harm since we treat lower bounds only):
- We have omitted the rule, which derives  $r : A$  from  $r = r : A$ .
  - We have replaced the thinning rule by the context rule.
  - In [TD88] the elimination rule for  $\Pi$  has assumption  $\lambda(t) : \Pi(A, B)$  instead of  $x : A \Rightarrow t(x) : B(x)$ , similarly for  $\Sigma$ . Our version is obviously slightly weaker.
  - We have replaced the elimination rules for the  $\Sigma$ -type using projections by the elimination rules found e.g. in [ML84]. By defining  $E(r, s) := s(p_0(r), p_1(r))$ , our rules can be derived from the original rules. In the opposite direction we can define as well  $p_0, p_1$  using  $E$  by  $p_0(r) := E(r, (x, y)x)$  and  $p_1(r) := E(r, (x, y)y)$ , however we do not get the  $\eta$ -rule, therefore our rules are slightly weaker.
  - We have omitted the equality rule for the identity type. Further we have changed the constructor for the introduction rule to  $\mathbf{r}(a)$  instead of  $\mathbf{r}$  in order to be as close as possible to the other system (and we weaken the system microscopically).
  - We have added the rule ( $\text{Repl}_2$ ) for systematic reasons, which seems to be missing. However we will not use that rule.
- Note that the essential difference between  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$  and  $\text{ML}_J$  are the elimination rules for the identity type.
- (b) We have not added to  $\text{ML}_J$  the equality versions of type introduction, introduction and elimination rules (e.g. that from  $x : A \Rightarrow t = t : B(x)$  we can derive  $\lambda(t) = \lambda(t') : \Pi(A, B)$ ) as it can be found in [PSH90]. Our system suffices, and is weaker than the system in [PSH90], since the substitution rules are provable there (see [PSH90], Theorem 4.2 for ( $\text{Sub}_1$ ), for ( $\text{Sub}_2$ ) and ( $\text{Sub}_3$ ) this follows similarly) and we are interested in lower bounds only.
- (c) One could have replaced  $N_k$  by  $\underbrace{N_1 + \dots + N_1}_{k \text{ times}}$  for  $k \geq 2$ , further  $N_1$  by  $I(N, 0, 0)$ , therefore only  $N_0$  is needed. We do not use  $N_k$  for  $k > 2$ .

### 3.2 Abbreviations

**Definition 3.4** Let in this definition  $T$  be one of the four type theories. We introduce several abbreviations and conventions, to work more easily in  $T$ .

- (a) We assume, that all free variables are chosen differently from bounded variables, and bounded variables are chosen in such a way that there are no variable clashes, identifying  $\alpha$ -equivalent m-terms and m-types.



- (b) We will write  $\Gamma \Rightarrow r : A$  for  $T \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow r : A$ , where  $T$  is the type theory we are working in. Further  $\Gamma \Rightarrow r, s : A$  for  $T \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow r : A \wedge T \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow s : A$ , etc. We say “ $\Gamma \Rightarrow A$ ” for “ $T \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow t : A$  for some m-term”.
- (c) By “assume  $\Gamma \Rightarrow A$  type, then  $(*)$ ” we mean: For every context  $\Delta$  such that  $T \vdash \Delta, \Gamma \Rightarrow A$  type  $(*)$  relative to the context  $\Delta$  follows. (Usually  $A$  is in this situation a meta-variable for an m-type).
- (d) We write  $(\lambda x.t)$  for  $\lambda((x)t)$ , if  $S \in \{\Sigma, \Pi, W, \underline{\Sigma}, \underline{\Pi}, \underline{W}, \widehat{\Sigma}, \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{W}\}$ ,  $Sx : A.B$  for  $S(A, (x)B)$ , and  $(rs)$  for  $\text{Ap}(r, s)$ . The usual conventions about omitting brackets apply. Especially the scope of  $\lambda x.$  is as long as possible, for instance  $\lambda x.s t$  should be read as  $\lambda x.(s t)$ .  
We will write  $\lambda x, y.t$  for  $\lambda x.\lambda y.t$ ,  $\forall x, y : A.B$  for  $\forall x : A.\forall y : A.B$ , similarly for  $\exists, \Pi, \Sigma$  and for more than two variables.
- (e) The projections  $r0, r1$  are defined by  $r0 := E(r, (x, y)x)$ ,  $r1 := E(r, (x, y)y)$ . Further  $(r =_A s) := I(A, r, s)$ .
- (f) We use  $\forall$  and  $\Pi, \exists$  and  $\Sigma$  as the same symbol, similarly for  $\widehat{\forall}, \underline{\forall}$  etc.
- (g)  $\perp := N_0$ ,  $A \vee B := A + B$ ,  $A \times B := A \wedge B := \Sigma x : A.B$  for a new variable  $x$ ,  $A \leftrightarrow B := (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A)$ , (remember  $A \rightarrow B := \Pi x : A.B$  for a new variable  $x$ )  $\neg A := A \rightarrow \perp$ ,  $(r \neq_A s) := \neg(r =_A s)$ .  
 $\wedge, \vee, \forall, \exists$  are used for types considered as propositions, whereas  $\times, +, \Pi, \Sigma$  are used for types as functions and sets in the sense of Martin-Löf.
- (h) We define  $\forall x \text{ rel } s.A := \forall x : C.x \text{ rel } s \rightarrow A$  and  $\exists x \text{ rel } s.A := \exists x : C.x \text{ rel } s \wedge A$ , in any situation where we have  $x : B \Rightarrow x \text{ rel } s$  type, and can read the type  $B$  from  $\text{rel}$ . ( $\text{rel}$  will be either a binary relation between elements of a type, e.g.  $<_N$ , and  $s$  a term of type  $B$ , or  $\text{rel}$  will be the  $\in$ -relation defined between terms for natural numbers and types as defined later). If  $x \in \text{FV}(s)$ , then we first have to change to an  $\alpha$ -equivalent form, considering  $\forall x \text{ rel } s.A =_\alpha \forall y \text{ rel } s.A[x := y]$ , if  $y \notin \text{FV}(A)$  and substitutable for  $x$ , similar for  $\exists$ .
- (i) In this and the next chapter we assume that  $A, B, C$  are m-types,  $a, b, c, r, s, t$  m-terms,  $\Gamma, \Delta$  m-context-pieces,  $\Theta$  an m-judgement,  $u, v, w, x, y, z$  variables, all possibly with indices or accents ( $'$ ). Elements of  $\text{OT}$  are usually denoted by  $a, b, c$ .

### 3.3 Working with the Universe

**Remark 3.5** We can derive in  $\text{ML}_{\text{J,aux}}$  and  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$  from the rules  $(C^T)$ ,  $(C^1)$ ,  $(C^E)$ ,  $(C^=)$  for a type constructor  $C \neq U, T$  new rules by replacing some of the explicit occurrences of  $C$  by  $\underline{C}$ . This is possible since from the assumption and the new type-introduction-rules we can derive  $C(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \underline{C}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  (e.g. in the  $(\Pi)$  rules we always get  $\Pi(A, B) = \underline{\Pi}(A, B)$ ). The only exception are the types  $B(t) \rightarrow W(A, B)$  and  $B \rightarrow W(A, B)$  in the rules  $(W^1)$ ,  $(W^E)$  and  $(W^=)$  in the case of  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$ : We do not have  $B \rightarrow W(A, B) = B \underline{\rightarrow} \underline{W}(A, B)$ , therefore  $\underline{W}$  cannot be replaced by  $W$ .

So, when we reason informally, we have only to be careful with the use of underlining in the case of the W-type, and here only for the cases mentioned. (Note that in the presence of the equality versions of the type introduction rules this problem does not occur).

- Definition 3.6** (a) We define  $\psi(C)$  for all term, type and underlined type constructors  $C$  of the four type theories: If  $C$  is a small type constructor,  $\psi(\underline{C}) := C$ . For all other constructors  $C$  we define  $\psi(C) := C$ .
- (b) For a b-object  $\psi(b)$  is the result of applying  $\psi$  to each symbol. The same applies for m-context-pieces, -contexts, -judgements.
- (c) We define  $\gamma(C)$  and  $\underline{\gamma}(C)$  for some type constructors  $C$ : If  $C$  is a small type constructor,  $\gamma(\underline{C}) := \hat{C}$ . For all other type constructors  $C$   $\gamma(C)$  is undefined.
- (d) If  $A$  is an abstracted m-type, then  $\underline{A}$  is the result of underlining all small type constructors in  $A$ .
- (e) Definition of  $\gamma(A)$  for some abstracted m-types  $A$ . (For all other m-types, the value of  $\gamma(A)$  will be a symbol for undefined). We will write  $\gamma(A) \downarrow$  for “ $\gamma(A)$  is defined”, and  $s \simeq t$  for  $(s \downarrow \leftrightarrow t \downarrow) \wedge (s \downarrow \rightarrow s = t)$ , where a more complex term is defined, if the process of successively evaluating it always leads to defined terms.  
 $\gamma(\mathbb{T}(t)) := t$ . For underlined type constructors  $\underline{C}$  and abstracted m-terms or -types  $D_i$ ,  $\gamma(\underline{C}(D_1, \dots, t_n)) \simeq \gamma(\underline{C})(\gamma(D_1), \dots, \gamma(D_n))$ , where  $\gamma(t) := t$  for m-terms  $t$  and  $\gamma((x_1, \dots, x_n)D) \simeq (x_1, \dots, x_n)\gamma(D)$ . For all other type constructors (especially  $\mathbb{U}$ )  $\gamma(C(t_q, \dots, t_n))$  is undefined.
- (f) We define  $\phi(A)$  for m-types  $A$ . If  $\gamma(A)$  is defined,  $\phi(A) := \mathbb{T}(\gamma(A))$ . If this instance does not apply, we define  $\phi(C(D_1, \dots, D_n)) := C(\phi(D_1), \dots, \phi(D_n))$ , where  $C$  is a constructor and  $D_i$  are abstracted m-terms or types. Here  $\phi(t) := t$ , for m-terms  $t$  and  $\phi((x_1, \dots, x_n)A) := (x_1, \dots, x_n)\phi(A)$ .
- (g)  $\phi(B)$  is defined for m-judgements, -contexts etc. by applying  $\phi$  to all the types occurring there.

**Lemma 3.7** Assume  $A[x := t]$ ,  $B[x := t]$  are allowed substitutions, where  $A, B$  are m-terms or m-types and  $t$  an m-term.

- (a)  $\gamma(A) \downarrow \Leftrightarrow \gamma(A[x := t]) \downarrow$   
(b) If  $\gamma(B)$  is defined, then  $\gamma(B)[x := t]$  is allowed,  $\gamma(B)[x := t] = \gamma(B[x := t])$ .  
(c)  $\phi(B)[x := t]$  and  $\psi(B)[x := t]$  are allowed,  $\phi(B)[x := t] = \phi(B[x := t])$ ,  $\psi(B)[x := t] = \psi(B[x := t])$ .

**Lemma 3.8** Let  $T = \text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$  and  $T_{\text{aux}} = \text{ML}_{[\text{TD}], \text{aux}}$  or  $T = \text{ML}_{\text{J}}$  and  $T_{\text{aux}} = \text{ML}_{\text{J}, \text{aux}}$

- (a) If  $T_{\text{aux}} \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$ , then  $T \vdash \psi(\Gamma) \Rightarrow \psi(\Theta)$ .

- (b) If  $T_{\text{aux}} \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$ , then  $T_{\text{aux}} \vdash \phi(\Gamma) \Rightarrow \phi(\Theta)$ .
- (c) If  $T_{\text{aux}} \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Theta$ , where  $\Theta \in \{A \text{ type}, s : A, s = t : A, A = B, B = A\}$  or  $T_{\text{aux}} \vdash \Gamma, x : A, \Delta \Rightarrow \Theta'$ , and if further  $\gamma(A) \downarrow$ , then  $T_{\text{aux}} \vdash \phi(\Gamma) \Rightarrow \gamma(A) : \mathbb{U}$ .

**Proof:** (a) and simultaneously (b) and (c) follow by an easy induction on the derivation.  $\square$

**Definition 3.9** We say “ $\Gamma \Rightarrow A$  type is correctly defined from  $\Gamma_i \Rightarrow \Theta_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ )”, iff the following holds for all contexts  $\Delta$ :

- $\Delta, \Gamma_i \Rightarrow \Theta_i$  for all  $i$  implies  $\Delta, \Gamma \Rightarrow A$  type.
- If for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\Theta_i \equiv (B \text{ type})$  for some  $B$  we have  $\gamma(B) \downarrow$ ,  $\phi(\Gamma_i) \Rightarrow \gamma(B) : \mathbb{U}$ , and for all other  $i$  we have  $\Delta, \phi(\Gamma_i) \Rightarrow \phi(\Theta_i)$  then  $\Delta, \phi(\Gamma) \Rightarrow \gamma(\underline{A}) : \mathbb{U}$ .

We write “ $A$  is a type correctly defined from ...” for “ $A$  type is correctly defined from ...”.

**From now on we are working in  $\text{ML}_{\text{J,aux}}$  and  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$ .** Let  $\text{ML}$  be one of these two theories.

### 3.4 The Basic Types and Sets in ML

**Definition and Remark 3.10** (a) Let  $\mathbb{B} := \mathbb{N}_2$ . Obviously  $\gamma(\mathbb{B}) \downarrow$ .

(b) Let  $\text{ff} := 0_2$ ,  $\text{tt} := 1_2$ . Obviously  $\text{tt}, \text{ff} : \mathbb{B}$ .

(c) if  $r$  then  $s$  else  $t := C_2(r, s, t)$ . Obviously  $x : \mathbb{B}, y : A, z : A \Rightarrow$  if  $x$  then  $y$  else  $z : A$ .

(d)  $\text{atom}(t) := T(\text{if } t \text{ then } \hat{\mathbb{N}}_0 \text{ else } \hat{\mathbb{N}}_1)$ .  $\text{atom}(t)$  is obviously a type correctly defined from  $t : \mathbb{B}$ .

(e)  $r \wedge_{\mathbb{B}} s :=$  if  $r$  then  $s$  else  $\text{ff}$ ,  $r \vee_{\mathbb{B}} s :=$  if  $r$  then  $\text{tt}$  else  $s$ ,  $\neg_{\mathbb{B}} 1r :=$  if  $r$  then  $\text{ff}$  else  $\text{tt}$ .  $r \wedge_{\mathbb{B}} s, r \vee_{\mathbb{B}} s, \neg_{\mathbb{B}} 1r : \mathbb{B}$ . Obviously  $\text{atom}(r \wedge_{\mathbb{B}} s) \leftrightarrow \text{atom}(r) \wedge \text{atom}(s)$  etc.

(f) We assume the usual ordering of the natural numbers defined, i.e. there are  $m$ -terms  $<_{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}}, \leq_{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}}$  of type  $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow (\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{B})$ , written infix (i.e.  $r <_{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}} s$  for  $<_{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}} rs$ ), we define  $r <_{\mathbb{N}} s := \text{atom}(r <_{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}} s)$ ,  $r \leq_{\mathbb{N}} s := \text{atom}(r \leq_{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}} s)$ , and assume that the usual properties of  $<_{\mathbb{N}}, \leq_{\mathbb{N}}$  can be proved in  $\text{ML}$ .

In the following we will define classes of natural numbers, the subsets of the natural numbers and decidable subsets of the natural numbers. Classes are properties on the natural numbers. If this property is small, i.e. can be seen as an element of the universe, than the class will be an element of the power set of the natural numbers. The decidable subsets are those for which we

can decide by having a function  $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ , whether an element belongs to the set. The distinction between classes and sets is similar to this distinction in subsystems of analysis and set theory.

**Definition and Remark 3.11** (a)  $\Gamma \Rightarrow (x)A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N}) :\Leftrightarrow \Gamma, x : \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow A$  type.

We will identify  $(x)A$  and  $(y)A[x := y]$ , if  $y \notin \text{FV}(A)$  and substitutable.

(b) In the following, if we say  $\Gamma \Rightarrow A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $A$  stands for  $(x)B$  for some variable  $x$  and some  $m$ -type  $B$ . We say “ $A$  is a class” for  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

Note, that “ $A$  is a class, correctly defined from ...” stands for “ $A \equiv (x)B$  for some  $m$ -type  $B$  and  $x : \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow B$  type is correctly defined from ...”.

(c)  $(t \in (x)A) := A[x := t]$ . This is a type correctly defined from  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $t : \mathbb{N}$ .

(d)  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) := \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}$ , the power-set of the natural numbers.

(e)  $t^{\text{Cl}} := (y)\text{T}(ty)$ .  $t^{\text{Cl}}$  is a class, correctly defined from  $t : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ . If it is clear, that  $t$  is an element of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ , we omit the superscript  $\text{Cl}$ , writing  $s \in t$  for  $s \in t^{\text{Cl}}$ , which is an abbreviation for  $\text{T}(ts)$ .

(f)  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N}) := \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ , the decidable subsets of the natural numbers.

(g)  $a \in_{\text{dec}} b := ba$ . We have  $x : \mathbb{N}, y : \mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N}) \Rightarrow x \in_{\text{dec}} y : \mathbb{B}$ .

(h)  $t^{\text{dec,Cl}} := (y)\text{atom}(y \in_{\text{dec}} t)$ .  $t^{\text{dec,Cl}}$  is obviously a class, correctly defined from  $t : \mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N})$ . If it is clear, that  $t$  is an element of  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N})$ , we will omit again the superscript  $\text{dec,Cl}$  (so  $s \in t$  stands for  $\text{atom}(ts)$ ).

(i)  $t \notin A := \neg(t \in A)$ , a type correctly defined from  $t : \mathbb{N}$  and  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

(j)  $A \subseteq B := \forall x \in A. x \in B$  for some new variable  $x$ ,  $A \cong B := A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A$ , both are types correctly defined from  $A, B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ . Obviously we have that  $\cong$  is an equivalence relation,  $\subseteq$  a partial ordering.

(k)  $(x)A \cup (x)B := (x)(A \vee B)$ ,  $(x)A \cap (x)B := (x)(A \wedge B)$  (note that we identify  $\alpha$ -equivalent objects in  $\text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ )

Obviously, both are classes correctly defined from  $A, B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

(l)  $\emptyset := (x)\perp$ , a correctly defined class.

(m)  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} := (x)(x =_{\mathbb{N}} a_1 \vee \dots \vee x =_{\mathbb{N}} a_n)$ , a class correctly defined from  $a_i : \mathbb{N}$ .

(n) To ease the intuition  $\{x \mid A\} := (x)A$ , which we will use if we are talking about an element of  $\text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N})$ .  $\{x \in A \mid B\} := \{x \mid x \in A \wedge B\}$ .

(o) If  $A$  is an  $m$ -term or  $m$ -type, which possibly depends on  $x$ , then

$$\bigcup_{x:B} A := \{y \mid \exists x : B. \phi(x) \wedge y \in A\},$$

$$\bigcup_{x:B.\phi(x)} A := \{y \mid \exists x : B. \phi(x) \wedge y \in A\},$$

$$\bigcup_{x \in B} A := \{y \mid \exists x \in B. y \in A\},$$

$$\bigcup_{x \in B.\phi(x)} A := \{y \mid \exists x \in B. \phi(x) \wedge y \in A\}.$$

If  $t$  is a term  $\neq x$ , then

$$\{t \mid x \in A\} := \{y \mid \exists x \in A. y = t\},$$

$$\{t \mid x : A\} := \{y \mid \exists x : A. y = t\}.$$

**Remark 3.12** (a) If  $\Gamma \Rightarrow B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $B \equiv (x)A$ , then  $\gamma(B) \downarrow \leftrightarrow \gamma(A) \downarrow$ , and

- if  $\gamma(B) \downarrow$ , then  $\gamma(A) = (x)\gamma(B)$ , and we have  $\phi(\Gamma) \Rightarrow \lambda(\gamma(A)) : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ .
- (b) If  $A, A', B, B' : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $A \cong A'$ ,  $B \cong B'$ , then  $A \cup B \cong A' \cup B'$ ,  $A \cap B \cong A' \cap B'$

**Definition 3.13** By “ $R'$  is a decidable  $n$ -ary relation” we mean that there is an  $n$ -ary function  $R'_{\text{dec}} : \mathbb{N}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ , written as  $R'_{\text{dec}}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ , and that in the following

$R'(t_1, \dots, t_n) := \text{atom}(R'_{\text{dec}}(t_1, \dots, t_n))$ . Sometimes, if  $n = 2$ ,  $R'$  and  $R'_{\text{dec}}$  will be written infix.

### 3.5 Using the $W$ -type

The following is a preparation for the definition of  $W(A)$  in Sect. 5.

- Definition 3.14** (a)  $\text{index} := \lambda y'.R(y', (x, y, z)x)$ .  
 (b)  $\text{pred} := \lambda y'.R(y', (x, y, z)\lambda u.yu)$ .  
 (c)  $s \prec_{W(A,B)}^1 t := \exists u : B(\text{index}(t)).s =_{W(A,B)} \text{pred}(t)u$ . ( $s$  is an immediate subtree of  $t$ ).  
 (d)  $s \prec_{W(A,B)} t := \exists f : (\mathbb{N} \rightarrow W(A, B)).\exists n : \mathbb{N}.0 <_{\mathbb{N}} n \wedge (f0) =_{W(A,B)} s \wedge (fn) =_{W(A,B)} t \wedge \forall i : \mathbb{N}.i <_{\mathbb{N}} n \rightarrow (fi) \prec_{W(A,B)}^1 f(S(i))$ . ( $s$  is a subtree of  $t$ ).  
 (e)  $s \preceq_{W(A,B)} t := (s \prec_{W(A,B)} t) \vee (s =_{W(A,B)} t)$ .  
 (f) We will in the following omit the index  $W(A, B)$ , if there is no confusion.

**Remark 3.15** Assume  $x : A \Rightarrow B(x)$  type

- (a)  $u : W(A, B) \Rightarrow \text{index}(u) : A$ ,  
 $x : A, y : (B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B)) \Rightarrow \text{index}(\text{sup}(x, y)) = x : A$ .  
 (b)  $v : W(A, B) \Rightarrow \text{pred}(v) : (B(\text{index}(v)) \rightarrow S(A, B))$ , and  $x : A, y : (B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B)) \Rightarrow \text{pred}(\text{sup}(x, y)) = \lambda u.yu : (B(x) \rightarrow S(A, B))$ , where  $S$  can be  $W$  and  $\underline{W}$ .  
 (c) We have  $s \prec_{W(A,B)}^1 t, s \prec_{W(A,B)} t$  and  $s \preceq_{W(A,B)} t$  are types correctly defined from  $A$  type,  $x : A \Rightarrow B(x)$  type and  $s, t : W(A, B)$  (where  $x \notin \text{FV}(B)$ ).

**Lemma 3.16** Assume  $x : A \Rightarrow B(x)$  type.

- (a)  $\forall x, y : W(A, B).x \preceq y \leftrightarrow (x \prec y \vee x = y)$ .  
 (b)  $\forall x, y, z : W(A, B).(x \prec y \wedge y \prec z) \rightarrow x \prec z$ .  
 (c)  $\forall x, y : W(A, B).x \prec^1 y \rightarrow x \prec y$ .  
 (d)  $\forall u : W(A, B).\forall x : A.\forall y : (B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B)).(u \prec^1 \text{sup}(x, y)) \leftrightarrow (\exists v : B(x).u =_{W(A,B)} yv)$ .  
 (e)  $\forall u : W(A, B).\forall x : A.\forall y : (B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B)).u \prec \text{sup}(x, y) \leftrightarrow \exists v : B(x).u \preceq (yv)$ .

(f)  $\forall x : W(A, B). \neg x \prec x$ .

**Proof:** (a)–(c) are immediate. (d) follows by using the substitution rules and  $x : A, y : (B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B)), u : B(x) \Rightarrow \text{pred}(\text{sup}(x, y))u = yu : W(A, B)$ . (e) follows from (d). (f): Induction on  $u : W(A, B)$ : Assume  $x : A, y : (B(x) \rightarrow W(A, B)), p : (\forall u : B(x). \neg yu \prec yu)$ . Assume  $\text{sup}(x, y) \prec \text{sup}(x, y)$ . Then  $\text{sup}(x, y) \preceq (yv)$  for some  $v : B(x), yv \prec^1 \text{sup}(x, y)$ , therefore  $(yv) \prec (yv)$ , and using  $p$  we get  $\perp$ , and therefore the assertion.  $\square$

## 4 The Well-ordering Proofs

### 4.1 Overview

The usual method for establishing well ordering proofs in strong theories is the method of distinguished sets (in German “ausgezeichnete Mengen”) developed mainly by Buchholz and Schütte. The first publication can be found in [Buc75], and this paper – unfortunately it is in German – might serve as an excellent introduction for the reader, who does not know this area well. Jäger used the methods in [Jäg83] to determine the proof theoretical strength of Feferman’s theory  $T_0$  and therefore applied it to a system for constructive mathematics. The methods were refined in the book by Buchholz and Schütte ([BS88]) and a draft on recent research can be found in [Buc90]. This last article was the major basis for our well-ordering proof. We have modified it in order to avoid fundamental sequences.

In [Set97a] we have tried to give motivation and an introduction to well-ordering proofs in type theory (restricted to systems without a universe).

Originally the methods for carrying out well-ordering proofs were developed for the use in subsystems of analysis and in set theory. In our proof we are just going to adapt these techniques to the type theoretic setting. The best way to get an understanding of what is going on seems to be to study it first in the set theoretic setting, and then to look at the way this proof can be carried out in type theory. Therefore, in this section, we are trying to refer as little as possible to the type theory. We will characterize the constructions we are giving and will present the type theoretic definitions themselves in Sect. 5. In the current section we work almost as we would work in traditional theories as well.

We start in the well ordering proofs with a set  $A$  which we want to extend to a bigger set  $W(A)$  (Assumption 4.10, the actual definition of  $W(A)$  will

be carried out in Lemma 5.6 (d)). In order to do this, we define first a set or class  $M(A)$  (Definition 4.5 (c)), which is a set of ordinal terms, which are potential elements of  $W(A)$ , and the set or class  $\tau^A(a)$  of predecessors of  $a$  relative to  $A$ , (Definition 4.5 (a)). Now in pure set theory we would define  $W(A) = \bigcap \{Y \subseteq \mathbb{N} \mid \forall x \in M(A). \tau^A(x) \subseteq Y \rightarrow x \in Y\}$ . In our setting we characterize  $W(A)$  as a set (or class), such that for all  $b \in M(A)$ , from  $\tau^A(b) \subseteq W(A)$  follows  $b \in W(A)$ , and further,  $W(A)$  is the least set with this property, i.e. for any class  $C$ , if for all  $b \in M(A)$ ,  $\tau^A(b) \subseteq C$  implies  $b \in C$ , then  $W(A) \subseteq C$ .

If we look at  $W(A)$  between  $\Omega_a$  and  $\Omega_{a+1}$ , then (at least as long as the weak condition  $W \subseteq M(A)$  is fulfilled)  $W(A)$  is the well-founded part of the set of ordinals the atoms of which below  $\Omega_a$  are in  $A$ . Gaps in the set  $A$  below  $\Omega_a$  will create gaps in  $W(A)$ . (For instance if there is a gap between  $b$  and  $\Omega_a$ , then there is a gap in  $W(A)$  between  $\Omega_a \cdot e + b$  and  $\Omega_a \cdot (e + 1)$  for  $e \prec \Omega_{a+1}$ .)

A set  $A$  will be called distinguished (Definition 4.18), if  $A$  is a segment of  $W(A)$ . In a classical theory, this would mean that  $A = W(A) \cap b$  for some  $b$ , but in an intuitionistic theory we cannot determine in general such a  $b$ . If  $A$  is a distinguished set and  $\Omega_{a+1} \preceq A$ , then  $A \cap \{x \in \text{OT} \mid \Omega_a \preceq x \prec \Omega_{a+1}\}$  is the well-founded part of the ordinal terms the components below  $\Omega_a$  are in  $A$  itself (so the atoms themselves are again in the well-founded part of similar kind). Very roughly we could say that  $A$  is some kind of fixed point of  $W(A)$  (in fact in general  $W(A)$  is bigger, but all ordinal terms in  $W(A) \setminus A$  are bigger than the ordinal terms in  $A$ ) or  $A$  is well-founded with support in itself.

Using the definition of distinguished sets, we get another understanding of  $W(A)$ : If  $A$  is distinguished,  $A \cong W(A) \cap \kappa$  ( $A$  is the distinguished part up to  $\kappa$ ), then  $W(A) \cap \kappa^+$  is distinguished (the distinguished part up to  $\kappa^+$ ). So  $W(A)$  is some kind of jump operator, which gives the step to the next cardinal.

We conclude the principle of induction over distinguished sets (Lemma 4.21 (a)), and that the ordinal terms in the countable part of distinguished sets form a segment (Lemma 4.21 (b)), which is well-ordered in the usual sense (Lemma 4.21 (c)).

In order to prove transfinite induction up to some big ordinal notation (in the countable part), we therefore need just to find a distinguished set, which contains this ordinal notation. Since distinguished sets are closed under the collapsing function  $\psi$ , in order to get a distinguished set which contains  $\psi_{\Omega_1} \Omega_{I+n}$ , it suffices to define such a set which contains  $\Omega_{I+n}$ . With sets this is not possible, but we can introduce distinguished classes as well (note that we have only restricted comprehension schemes available). If we take the union over all distinguished sets, which is a class, we get a distinguished class  $\mathcal{W}$  (Definition 4.25) with the property  $\mathcal{W} \cap I \cong W(\mathcal{W}) \cap I$  (Lemma 4.38 (c)). We can define

now distinguished classes (Definition 4.39) which contain  $\Omega_{I+n}$  and are done (Theorem 4.41).

**Assumption 4.1** *In this section we will not care about underlining constructors. Essentially we can underline any parts of the formula except for the classes it is built from (denoted by  $A, B, C$ ) as long as we underline everything in an abbreviation consistently (e.g. in  $M(A), W(A)$  or  $A \cong B$  as defined below, either all constructors apart from those positioned in  $A$  and  $B$  are underlined or none). When introducing a new element  $A$  of the universe by writing  $A : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  we will be a little bit sloppy and write  $A$  instead of  $\lambda(\gamma(\underline{A}))$ .*

#### 4.2 Definition of $M(A), \tau^A(a), \mathcal{A}^A(B)$

**Preliminaries 4.2** *In this chapter we assume, unless stated differently,  $A, B, C : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $a, b, c, d : \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\kappa, \pi : \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\kappa, \pi \in \mathbb{R}$ , all possibly with subscripts or accents (').*

**Assumption 4.3** *In the following we assume that for every primitive recursive set  $A$  and every  $k$ -ary primitive recursive function  $f$  defined in Sect. 2 we have defined corresponding sets  $A : \mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N})$  and functions  $f : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ , such that the same lemmata, provable now in Martin-Löf's type theory, hold.*

In order to define  $M(A)$  and  $\tau^A(a)$  we will first introduce a set  $C^a(A)$  (Definition 5.4). This is roughly speaking the set of ordinals built from atoms in  $A \cap a$  by all ordinal functions, except that we restrict  $\psi_\kappa$  to  $\kappa$  such that  $a \prec \kappa$ . For  $a \in \text{OT}$ ,  $A \subseteq \text{OT}$ ,  $C^a(A)$  is the least set of ordinals  $Y$ , such that:

- (C1)  $A \cap a \subseteq Y$ ,
- (C2)  $0, I \in Y$ ,
- (C3) If  $b, c \in Y$ ,  $d ='_{\text{NF}} b + c \vee d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c \vee d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b$  then  $d \in Y$
- (C4) If  $\kappa, c \in Y$ ,  $a \prec \kappa$ ,  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa c$ , then  $d \in Y$ .

Since in (C2)–(C4) we are referring to terms with length less than  $a$ , this definition can be transformed into an ordinary (not inductive) definition. This is done in Definition 5.4 in Sect. 5. In this section we only need what is stated in Assumption 4.4.

**Assumption 4.4** *For every  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ , and  $a : \mathbb{N}$  we assume that there exists a  $b$ -object  $C^a(A)$  such that  $C^a(A) : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ , which is correctly defined from  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ , and  $a : \mathbb{N}$ , and such that (in this version and in the underlined version according to Assumption 4.1), if  $a \in \text{OT}$ , the following holds:*

- (a)  $C^a(A) \subseteq \text{OT}$ .



- (b)  $0, I \in C^a(A)$ .
- (c)  $((d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c \vee d ='_{\text{NF}} b + c \vee (d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b \wedge b = c)) \rightarrow (d \in C^a(A) \leftrightarrow (d \in A \cap a \vee \{b, c\} \subseteq C^a(A))))$ .
- (d) Assume  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa c$ .  
If  $a \prec \kappa$ , then  $d \in C^a(A) \leftrightarrow (d \in A \cap a \vee \{\kappa, c\} \subseteq C^a(A))$ .  
If  $\kappa \preceq a$ , then  $d \in C^a(A) \leftrightarrow d \in A \cap a$ .

$C^a(A)$  will be defined in Definition 5.4 and the properties are verified in Lemma 5.5.

- Definition 4.5**
- (a)  $\tau^A(a) := C^a(A) \cap a$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{A}^A(B) := \{y \in M(A) \mid \tau^A(y) \subseteq B\}$ .
  - (c)  $M(A) := \{y \in \text{OT} \mid y \in C^y(A)\}$ .

- Remark 4.6**
- (a)  $M(A)$ ,  $\tau^A(a)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}^A(B)$ , are classes, correctly defined from  $A, B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $a : \mathbb{N}$ .
  - (b)  $M(A), \tau^A(a) \subseteq \text{OT}$  and  $\mathcal{A}^B(A) \subseteq M(A)$ .
  - (c) Assume  $A \cong A', B \cong B'$ . Then  $C^a(A) \cong C^a(A')$ ,  $M(A) \cong M(A')$ ,  $\tau^A(a) \cong \tau^{A'}(a)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}^A(B) \cong \mathcal{A}^{A'}(B')$ .

**Lemma 4.7** Assume  $a, b \in \text{OT}$ .

- (a)  $A \subseteq M(A) \rightarrow C^a(A) \cong C^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ .
- (b)  $(A \subseteq M(A) \wedge a \preceq b) \rightarrow C^b(A) \subseteq C^a(A)$ .
- (c)  $(A \subseteq M(A) \wedge B \subseteq M(B) \wedge A \cap \tilde{a} \cong B \cap \tilde{a}) \rightarrow C^a(A) \cong C^a(B)$ .
- (d)  $a \prec \Omega_1 \rightarrow C^a(A) \cong \text{OT}$ .
- (e) Assume  $\psi_1 a \preceq b \prec I$ ,  $\psi_1 a \preceq c \prec I$  and  $a \in C_1(a)$ . Then  $C^b(A) \cap C_1(a) \cong C^c(A) \cap C_1(a)$ .
- (f) Assume  $a \prec \kappa$ ,  $d := \psi_\kappa c \in \text{OT}$ ,  $z := \min\{a, d\}$ ,  $A \subseteq M(A)$ . Then  $d \in C^a(A) \leftrightarrow d \in A \cap \tilde{a} \vee \{\kappa, c\} \subseteq C^z(A)$ .
- (g)  $(A \subseteq M(A) \wedge \tilde{b} \preceq c \wedge b^{-1} = c^{-1}) \rightarrow C^b(A) \cap (\tilde{b} + 1) \cong C^c(A) \cap (\tilde{b} + 1)$ .
- (h)  $A \cap a \subseteq C^a(A)$ .

**Proof:** (a), (b): We show under the assumption  $A \subseteq M(A)$  and  $\tilde{a} \preceq b$  that  $C^b(A) \subseteq C^a(A)$ .

Assume  $A \subseteq M(A)$ . We show  $\forall x \in \text{OT}. \forall a, b \in \text{OT}. \tilde{a} \preceq b \rightarrow x \in C^b(A) \rightarrow x \in C^a(A)$  by induction on  $\text{length}(x)$ . Suppose  $x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_y z \vee x ='_{\text{NF}} y + z \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_y \wedge y = z)$ . Then  $x \in A \cap b \vee y, z \in C^b(A)$ . Suppose  $y, z \in C^b(A)$ . Then the assertion follows using the IH. The case  $x \in A \cap a$  is trivial. Suppose  $x \in A \cap b$  and  $a \preceq x$ . Then  $x \in M(A)$ ,  $x \in C^x(A)$ ,  $y, z \in C^x(A)$ , by IH  $y, z \in C^a(A)$ ,  $x \in C^a(A)$ . Suppose  $x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa y$ . Then the assertion follows in a similar way.

(c), (d), (h): easy.

(e): Assume  $a, b, c$  as in the assertion. We show  $\forall u \in C_1(a). u \in C^b(A) \leftrightarrow u \in C^c(A)$  by  $\text{Ind}(\text{length}(u))$  and assume  $u$  according to induction.

Case  $u = 0, I$ : trivial.

Case  $u =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{u_1} u_2 \vee u ='_{\text{NF}} u_1 + u_2 \vee (u =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{u_1} \wedge u_1 = u_2)$ . Then  $u_1, u_2 \in C_I(a)$  and  $u \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow u_1, u_2 \in C^b(A) \vee u \in A \cap b \Leftrightarrow u_1, u_2 \in C^b(A) \vee u \in A \cap \psi_I a \Leftrightarrow u_1, u_2 \in C^c(A) \vee u \in A \cap c \Leftrightarrow u \in C^c(A)$  (using the IH).

Case  $u =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa u_1$ . If  $\kappa \prec I$ , then  $u \prec \psi_I a$ ,  $\kappa \preceq b, c$ ,  $u \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow u \in A \Leftrightarrow u \in C^c(A)$ . If  $I \preceq \kappa$ , then  $\kappa, u_1 \in C_I(a)$  and (by IH)  $u \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow \kappa, u_1 \in C^b(A) \vee u \in A \cap e \Leftrightarrow \kappa, u_1 \in C^c(A) \vee u \in A \cap \psi_I a \Leftrightarrow \kappa, u_1 \in C^c(A) \vee u \in A \cap c \Leftrightarrow u \in C^c(A)$ .

(f) If  $\tilde{a} \preceq d$ , then  $\tilde{z} = \tilde{a}$ ,  $C^z(A) \cong C^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ . Suppose  $d \prec \tilde{a}$ . Then  $\kappa = I$ ,  $d \in C^a(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in C^{\tilde{a}}(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in A \cap \tilde{a} \vee c \in C^a(A)$ , and by (e)  $\Leftrightarrow d \in A \cap \tilde{a} \vee c \in C^z(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in A \cap \tilde{a} \vee \kappa, c \in C^z(A)$ .

(g): We show  $\forall x \in \text{OT}. x \prec \tilde{b} \rightarrow (x \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in C^c(A))$  by induction on  $\text{length}(x)$ , assume  $x$  according to induction.

Case  $x = 0, I$ :  $x \in C^b(A) \cap C^c(A)$ .

Case  $x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{b'} c'$  or  $x ='_{\text{NF}} b' + c'$  or  $x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{b'} \wedge b' = c'$ .  $x \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap b \vee \{b', c'\} \subset C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap c \vee \{b', c'\} \subset C^c(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in C^c(A)$ .

Case  $x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa b'$ . Subcase  $\kappa \prec b$ :  $x \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap b \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap c \Leftrightarrow x \in C^c(A)$ . Subcase  $b \preceq \kappa$ : By  $x \prec \tilde{b}$  follows  $\kappa = I$ ,  $c \prec \kappa$ . Now by (f)  $x \in C^b(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee \kappa, I \in C^x(A) \Leftrightarrow x \in C^c(A)$ .

Now  $C^b(A) \cap \tilde{b} \cong C^c(A) \cap \tilde{b}$ . Further  $\tilde{b} \in C^c(A) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{b} \in C^b(A)$  (and therefore the assertion): “ $\Leftarrow$ ” follows by (a), (b). “ $\Rightarrow$ ”: Case  $\tilde{b} = \Omega_{d+1}$ :  $\tilde{b} \in C^c(A) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{b} \in C^{\tilde{b}}(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in C^{\tilde{b}}(A) \cap \tilde{b} \Leftrightarrow d \in C^c(A) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{b} \in C^c(A)$ . Case  $\tilde{b} =_{\text{NF}} \psi_I e$ :  $\tilde{b} \in C^b(A) \Rightarrow \tilde{b} \in C^{\tilde{b}}(A) \Rightarrow e \in C^{\tilde{b}}(A) \cap C_I(e) \subseteq C^c(A)$  (by (e))  $\Rightarrow \psi_I e \in C^c(A)$ .  $\square$

**Assumption 4.8** *If not stated differently, let in the following  $A, A_i, A', B, B_i, B' : \text{Cl}(N)$ ,  $a, a_i, a', b, b_i, b', c, c_i, c' : N$ ,  $\kappa, \pi \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

**Lemma 4.9** (a)  $A \subseteq M(A)$ ,  $b \preceq a \rightarrow \tau^A(a) \cap b \subseteq \tau^A(b)$ .

(b)  $(A \subseteq M(A) \wedge b \preceq a \wedge \tilde{b} = \tilde{a}) \rightarrow \tau^A(b) \cong \tau^A(a) \cap b$ .

(c)  $a \prec \Omega_1 \rightarrow \tau^A(a) \cong a$ .

(d)  $0, I \in M(A)$ .

(e) *If  $A \subseteq M(A)$ ,  $b, c \in (A \cap \tilde{a}) \cup (M(A) \setminus \tilde{a})$ ,  $a =_{\text{NF}} b + c$  or  $a =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c$  or  $a =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b$ , then  $a \in M(A)$ .*

**Proof:** (a): Lemma 4.7 (b). (b): Lemma 4.7 (a). (c): Lemma 4.7 (d). (d):  $0, I \in C^y(A)$  for every  $y \in \text{OT}$ . (e): In case of  $b \prec \tilde{a}$ ,  $b \in A \cap \tilde{a} \subseteq C^a(A)$ , otherwise  $\tilde{b} = \tilde{a}$ ,  $b \in C^b(A) \cong C^a(A)$ . Similarly  $c \in C^a(A)$ , therefore  $a \in C^a(A)$ ,  $a \in M(A)$ .  $\square$

### 4.3 The Step to the Next Cardinal – $W(A)$

We introduce now  $W(A)$ , such that essentially

$$W(A) = \bigcap \{Y \subseteq \mathbb{N} \mid \forall x \in M(A). \tau^A(x) \subseteq Y \rightarrow x \in Y\} .$$

More precisely this will be characterized in the following assumption, the definition of  $W(A)$  can be found in Definition 5.6 in Sect. 5.

**Assumption 4.10** *For every  $m$ -type  $A$  we assume that we can define a  $m$ -type  $W(A)$ , which is correctly defined from  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ , such that*

- (a)  $\mathcal{A}^A(W(A)) \subseteq W(A)$
- (b) *If  $B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ , then  $\mathcal{A}^A(B) \cap W(A) \subseteq B \rightarrow W(A) \subseteq B$ .*

**Notation 4.11** By “we prove  $\forall x \in W(A). \phi(x)$  by  $\text{Ind}(x \in W(A))$ ” we mean that with  $B := \{y : N \mid \phi(y)\}$  we show  $\mathcal{A}^A(B) \cap W(A) \subseteq B$ , i.e. for all  $x \in W(A)$  under the assumption  $\forall y \in \tau^A(x). \phi(y)$ , which will be called induction hypothesis, holds  $\phi(x)$ . By Assumption 4.10 (b) follows then  $\forall x \in W(A). \phi(x)$ . By “assume  $x$  according to induction” we mean in this context “assume  $x \in W(A)$  and the induction hypothesis”.

**Definition 4.12** (a) Let for  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $b : \mathbb{N}$   $A|b := A \cap (b + 1)$ .  
 (b)  $A \subseteq B := A \subseteq \text{OT} \wedge \forall x \in A. A|x \cong B|x$  (this is equivalent to  $A \subseteq \text{OT} \wedge A \subseteq B \wedge \forall x \in A. B \cap x \subseteq A$ , “ $A$  is a segment of  $B$ ”).

**Lemma 4.13** (a)  $\forall x \in W(A). \tau^A(x) \subseteq W(A) \wedge x \in M(A)$ .  
 (b)  $(A \cap \Omega_a \cong B \cap \Omega_a \wedge A \subseteq M(A) \wedge B \subseteq M(B)) \rightarrow (M(A) \cap \Omega_{a+1} \cong M(B) \cap \Omega_{a+1} \wedge W(A) \cap \Omega_{a+1} \cong W(B) \cap \Omega_{a+1})$ .  
 (c) *If  $A \cong B$ , then  $W(A) \cong W(B)$ .*  
 (d)  $W(A) \cap \Omega_1 \sqsubseteq \text{OT}$ .

**Proof:** (a): We show by  $\text{Ind}(x \in W(A))$  that  $\forall x \in W(A). (\tau^A(x) \subseteq W(A) \wedge x \in M(A))$ , which is immediate.

(b): The assertion for  $M(A)$  is obvious. For  $W(A)$  we show by  $\text{Ind}(x \in W(A))$  that  $\forall x \in W(A). x \prec \Omega_{a+1} \rightarrow x \in W(B)$ , therefore  $W(A) \cap \Omega_{a+1} \subseteq W(B) \cap \Omega_{a+1}$ , which is immediate, because of  $\forall y \prec \Omega_{a+1}. \tau^A(y) \cong \tau^B(y)$ .  $W(A) \cap \Omega_{a+1} \supseteq W(B) \cap \Omega_{a+1}$  follows in the same way.

(c): Immediate by (b).

(d):  $\forall x \prec \Omega_1. \tau^A(x) \cong x$ , therefore by (a)  $\forall x \in W(A). x \subseteq W(A)$ , and, since  $W(A) \subseteq \text{OT}$ ,  $\forall x \in W(A) \cap \Omega_1. W(A)|x \cong x$ .  $\square$

**Definition 4.14** Assume  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

- (a)  $A$  is weakly downward closed iff  $\forall x, y \in \text{OT}. \forall \kappa \in \mathbf{R}. \forall z \in A. ((z =_{\text{NF}}' x + y \vee z =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_x y \vee (z =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_x \wedge x = y)) \rightarrow (x \in A \wedge y \in A)) \wedge (z =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa y \rightarrow \kappa^- \in A)$ .
- (b)  $A$  is downward closed, iff  $A$  is weakly downward closed,  $\forall x, y \in \text{OT}. \forall z \in A. z =_{\text{NF}} x + y \rightarrow (x \in A \wedge y \in A)$ ,  $\forall x \in A. \tilde{x}, x^{-\text{Fi}}, x^{-\text{I}} \in A$  and  $\forall \kappa \in \mathbf{R} \cap A. \kappa^- \in A$ .
- (c)  $A$  is weakly upward closed bounded by  $C$ , iff  $(\forall x, y \in A. \forall z \in \text{OT}. z \preceq C \rightarrow ((z =_{\text{NF}}' x + y \vee z =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_x y \vee z =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_x) \rightarrow z \in A)) \wedge (0 \preceq C \rightarrow 0 \in A) \wedge (\text{I} \preceq C \rightarrow \text{I} \in A)$ .
- (d)  $A$  is upward closed bounded by  $C$ , iff  $(\forall x, y \in A. \forall z \in \text{OT}. z \preceq C \rightarrow ((z = x + y \vee z = \varphi_x y \vee z = \Omega_x \vee z = x^+) \rightarrow z \in A)) \wedge (0 \preceq C \rightarrow 0 \in A) \wedge (\text{I} \preceq C \rightarrow \text{I} \in A)$ .
- (e)  $A$  is (weakly) upward closed, iff  $A$  is (weakly) upward closed bounded by  $\text{OT}$ .

**Remark 4.15** *If  $A$  is weakly downward closed and weakly upward closed bounded by  $C$  and  $A \preceq C$ , then  $A$  is downward closed and upward closed bounded by  $C$ .*

**Proof:** easy.  $\square$

- Lemma 4.16** (a) *If  $A \subseteq \text{M}(A)$  and  $A \cap \tilde{a}$  is weakly downward closed, then  $\text{C}^a(A)$  is downward and upward closed,  $\tau^A(a)$  downward closed and upward closed bounded by  $a$ , and  $\text{W}(A) \cap a^+$ ,  $\text{M}(A) \cap a^+$  are downward closed.*
- (b) *If  $A \cap \kappa \sqsubseteq \text{W}(A)$ , then  $A \cap \kappa$  is weakly downward closed.*

**Proof:** (a) Assume  $A \subseteq \text{M}(A)$ ,  $A \cap \tilde{a}$  weakly downward closed. We show  $\text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$  is weakly downward closed. (Note that  $\text{C}^a(A) \cong \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ ). Assume  $x =_{\text{NF}}' y + z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_y z \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_y \wedge y = z)$ ,  $x \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ . Then  $x \in A \cap \tilde{a}$ ,  $y, z \in A \cap \tilde{a} \subseteq \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$  or directly  $y, z \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ .

Assume  $x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa y \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ ,  $y \in \text{C}_\kappa(y)$ . We show  $\kappa^- \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ :

If  $\kappa \preceq a$ , then  $x \in A \cap \tilde{a}$ ,  $\kappa^- \in A \cap \tilde{a} \subseteq \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ .

Case  $\kappa = \text{I}$ :  $\kappa^- = 0 \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ .

Case  $a \prec \kappa \neq \text{I}$ :  $\tilde{a} \preceq x$ ,  $\kappa \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ ,  $\kappa = \Omega_{z+1}$  for some  $z$ , by the first part of this proof  $z \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ ,  $\kappa^- = z \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$  or  $\kappa^- =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_z \in \text{C}^{\tilde{a}}(A)$ .

$\text{C}^a(A)$  is trivially weakly upward closed, therefore  $\text{C}^a(A)$  is downward and upward closed.

$\tau^A(a)$  downward and upward closed bounded by  $a$  follows from the above.

$\text{W}(A) \cap a^+$ ,  $\text{M}(A) \cap a^+$  downward closed: Assume  $x =_{\text{NF}} y_1 + y_2 \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{y_1} y_2 \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{y_1} \wedge y_1 = y_2) \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa u \wedge y_1 = y_2 = \kappa^-) \vee y_1 = y_2 \in \{\tilde{x}, x^{-\text{Fi}}, x^{-\text{I}}\} \vee (x \in \mathbf{R} \wedge y_1 = y_2 = x^-)$ . Assume  $x \in \text{W}(A) \cap a^+$ . Then  $x \in \text{C}^x(A)$ ,  $y_i \in \text{C}^x(A) \cap x \cong \tau^A(x) \subseteq \text{W}(A)$ . Assume  $x \in \text{M}(A) \cap a^+$ . Then

$x \in C^x(A)$ , by (a)  $y_i \in C^x(A)$ , by Lemma 4.7 (b)  $y_i \in C^{y_i}(A)$ ,  $y_i \in M(A)$ .  
(b) Assume  $A \cap \kappa \sqsubseteq W(A)$ . Assume  $x ='_{\text{NF}} y_1 + y_2 \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{y_1} y_2 \vee (x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{y_1} \wedge y_1 = y_2)$ ,  $x \in A \cap \kappa$ . Then  $x \in W(A) \subseteq M(A)$ ,  $x \in C^x(A)$ ,  $x \notin A \cap x$ , therefore  $y_1, y_2 \in C^x(A) \cap x \cong \tau^A(x) \subseteq W(A)|x \cong A|x$ . Assume  $x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi y$ ,  $y \in C_\pi(y)$  and  $x \in A$ . Then  $x \in W(A) \subseteq M(A)$ ,  $x \in C^x(A)$ ,  $\pi \in C^x(A)$ . If  $\pi = I$ , then  $\pi^- = 0 \in W(A)$ . Otherwise  $\pi = \Omega_{z+1} \in C^x(A)$ ,  $z+1 \in C^x(A)$ . If  $x \preceq z+1$ ,  $z \in C^x(A)$ , otherwise  $z+1 \in \tau^A(x) \subseteq W(A) \cap x \subseteq A$ , by the first part  $z \in A \cap x \subseteq C^x(A)$ , in both cases therefore  $z \in C^x(A)$ ,  $\pi^- = z \in \tau^A(x)$  or  $\pi^- =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_z \in \tau^A(x)$ ,  $\pi^- \in W(A)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.17** (a)  $0 \in W(A)$ .

(b) If  $A \cap \kappa \cong W(A) \cap \kappa$ ,  $A \subseteq M(A)$ , then  $W(A) \cap \kappa^+$  is downward closed and upward closed bounded by  $\kappa^+$ .

(c) Assume  $A \subseteq M(A)$ . Then  $\forall \kappa, y \in W(A). \forall z \in \text{OT}. (z = \max\{\kappa, y\} \wedge W(A) \cap \tilde{z} \cong A \cap \tilde{z} \wedge \kappa \in R \wedge y \in C_\kappa(y)) \rightarrow \psi_\kappa y \in W(A)$ .

**Proof:** (a): trivial.

(b): We show  $W(A) \cap \kappa^+$  is weakly upward closed bounded by  $\kappa^+$ . By Lemma 4.16 (a) and Remark 4.15 follows the assertion.

(i)  $0 \in W(A)$ : (a).

(ii) Assume  $b \in W(A) \cap \kappa^+$ . We show  $\forall c \in W(A). \forall a \in \text{OT}. a =_{\text{NF}} b + c \rightarrow a \in W(A)$  by  $\text{Ind}(c \in W(A))$  and assume  $c$  according to induction,  $a =_{\text{NF}} b + c$ ,  $c \in \text{OT}$ .

$c \in W(A)$ , by Lemma 4.9 (e) therefore  $a \in M(A)$ .

Assume  $d \in \tau^A(a)$ . Assume  $d \prec b$ . Then  $d \in \tau^A(a) \cap b \subseteq \tau^A(b) \subseteq W(A)$ . Assume  $d = b$ . Then  $d \in W(A)$ . Assume  $b \prec d$ . Then  $d = b + d'$ ,  $0 \prec d' \prec c$ , therefore  $d =_{\text{NF}} b + d'$ .  $d' \in C^a(A) \cap c \subseteq \tau^A(c)$ , by IH  $d' \in W(A)$ . Therefore  $a \in \mathcal{A}^A(W(A)) \subseteq W(A)$  and the assertion.

(iii) Proof for  $a =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c$ :

We show  $\forall b \in W(A). \forall c \in W(A). \forall a \in \text{OT}. a =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c \rightarrow a \prec \kappa^+ \rightarrow d \in W(A)$  by  $\text{Ind}(b \in W(A))$ ,  $\text{side-Ind}(c \in W(A))$ . Assume  $b$  according to main-induction,  $c$  according to side-induction. Assume  $a$ ,  $a =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c$ ,  $a \prec \kappa^+$ . We show  $a \in W(A)$ .

Lemma 4.9 (e) yields  $a \in M(A)$ .

We show  $\forall d \in \tau^A(a). d \in W(A)$  by  $\text{side-side-Ind}(\text{length}(d))$ . Assume  $d$  according to side-side-induction. Suppose  $d \preceq \max\{b, c\}$ . Then  $d \in \tau^A(b) \cup \tau^A(c) \cup \{b, c\} \subseteq W(A)$ . Otherwise  $\max\{b, c\} \prec d \prec \varphi_b c$ ,  $d \notin G$ . Case  $d ='_{\text{NF}} d_1 + d_2$ . Then  $d_i \in \tau^A(a)$ , by side-side-IH  $d_i \in W(A)$ , and by (ii)  $d \in W(A)$ . Assume now  $\max\{b, c\} \prec d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{d_1} d_2$ . Subcase  $d_1 \prec b$ :  $d_2 \prec a$ ,  $d_2 \in C^a(A) \cap a \cong \tau^A(a)$ ,

by side-side-IH  $d_2 \in W(A)$ , further  $d_1 \in C^a(A) \cap b \subseteq \tau^A(b)$ , by main-IH  $d \in W(A)$ .

Subcase  $d_1 = b$ :  $d_2 \in C^a(A) \cap c \subseteq \tau^A(c)$ , by side-IH  $d \in W(A)$ .

Subcase  $b \prec d_1$ :  $d \preceq c$ , contradicting the assumption above.

(iv) We show  $\forall b \in W(A). \Omega_b \prec \kappa^+ \rightarrow \Omega_b \in W(A)$  by Ind( $b \in W(A)$ ) and assume  $b$  according to induction. If  $b = \Omega_b$  the assertion is trivial. Let  $a = \Omega_b$  and assume  $a =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b$ ,  $a \prec \kappa^+$ .

$a \in M(A)$  by Lemma 4.9 (e).

We show  $\forall y \in \tau^A(a). y \in W(A)$  by side-induction on  $\text{length}(y)$ , and assume  $y$  according to induction.

Suppose  $y \preceq b$ . Then  $y \in \tau^A(a) \cap b \subseteq \tau^A(b) \cup \{b\} \subseteq W(A)$ .

Assume  $b \prec y \prec a$ . Then  $y \notin \text{Fi}$ .

Case  $y ='_{\text{NF}} y_1 + y_2$  or  $y =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{y_1} y_2$ :  $y_i \in \tau^A(a)$ , by side-IH  $y_i \in W(A)$ , by (ii), (iii)  $y \in W(A)$ .

Case  $y =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{y_1}$ :  $y_1 \in \tau^A(a) \cap b \subseteq \tau^A(b)$ , by main-IH  $y \in W(A)$ .

Case  $y =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa y_1$ .  $\kappa \neq I$ .  $y \prec a$ , therefore  $\kappa \preceq a$ ,  $y \in C^a(A)$ , therefore  $y \in A \cap a \subseteq W(A)$ .

(v) We show  $I \prec \kappa^+ \rightarrow I \in W(A)$ .  $I \in M(A)$ . We show  $\forall y \in \tau^A(I). y \in W(A)$  by induction on  $\text{length}(y)$ :

If  $y \in A \cap I$ ,  $y \in W(A)$ . If  $y = 0$ ,  $y \in W(A)$  by (i). If  $y ='_{\text{NF}} y_1 + y_2$  or  $y =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{y_1} y_2$  or  $y =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{y_1} \wedge y_1 = y_2$ , then by IH  $y_i \in W(A)$ , by (ii), (iii), (iv)  $y \in W(A)$ .

If  $y =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa z$ ,  $y \in A \cap I \subseteq W(A)$ .

The assertion follows now by (i)–(v).

(c): Assume  $A \subseteq M(A)$ ,  $\tau \in \text{Car} \cap W(A)$ ,  $W(A) \cap \tau \cong A \cap \tau$ . We show  $\forall y \in W(A). y \prec \tau^+ \rightarrow \forall \kappa \in R. (\kappa = I \vee \kappa^- \in W(A) \mid \tau) \wedge y \in C_\kappa(y) \wedge \psi_\kappa y \prec \tau^+ \rightarrow \psi_\kappa y \in W(A)$

by Ind( $y \in W(A)$ ).

Then with  $\tau := \tilde{z}$  follows the assertion.

Assume  $y$  according to Induction,  $y, \kappa$  according to the assumptions of the assertion.

We show

$$\forall u \in C_\kappa(y) \cap C^{\psi_\kappa y}(A) \cap \tau^+. u \in W(A) \quad (*)$$

by side-induction on  $\text{length}(u)$ . Assume  $u$  according to induction,  $u \in C_\kappa(y) \cap C^{\psi_\kappa y}(A) \cap \tau^+$ . Case  $u = 0, I$ : (b). Case  $u ='_{\text{NF}} u_1 + u_2$  or  $u =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{u_1} u_2$  or  $u =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{u_1} \wedge u_1 = u_2$ : By IH  $u_i \in W(A)$ , by (b)  $u \in W(A)$ .

Case  $u =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\pi u'$ .

Subcase  $u \prec \psi_\kappa y$ . Then by Lemma 4.7 (f)  $u \in A \vee (\psi_\kappa y \prec \pi = I \wedge \pi, u' \in$

$C^u(A)$ .

If  $u \in A$ ,  $u \in A \cap \tau \subseteq W(A)$ . Assume now  $\pi = I$  and  $I, u' \in C^u(A)$ .

If  $\kappa \neq I$ ,  $u \preceq \kappa^- \in W(A)$ ,  $u \in C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A) \cap \kappa^- \subseteq \tau^A(\kappa^-) \subseteq W(A)$ .

If  $\kappa = I$ ,  $u' \prec y$ . By Lemma 4.7 (e)  $u' \in C^{\psi_{\pi}u'}(A) \cap C_{\pi}(u') \subseteq C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ ,  $u' \in C_{\pi}(u') \cap \tau^+ \subseteq C_{\kappa}(y) \cap \tau^+$ , by side-IH  $u' \in W(A) \cap \tau^+$ . If  $u' \prec \tau$ ,  $u' \in A \cap y \cap \tau \subseteq C^y(A) \cap y \cong \tau^A(y)$  (using Lemma 4.7 (h)). If  $\tau \preceq u'$ ,  $\tilde{u}' = \tau = \tilde{y}$ ,  $u' \in W(A) \subseteq M(A)$ ,  $u' \in C^{u'}(A) \cap y \cong C^y(A) \cap y \cong \tau^A(y)$ . In both cases the main-IH yields  $u \in W(A)$ .

Subcase  $\widetilde{\psi_{\kappa}y} = u$ . Then  $\kappa \neq I$ ,  $u = \kappa^- \in W(A)$ .

Subcase  $\psi_{\kappa}y \prec u$ . Then using Lemma 2.15 (e)  $\pi, u' \in C_{\kappa}(y) \cap C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ ,  $u' \prec y \prec \tau^+$ ,  $u' \in C_{\pi}(u')$ ,  $\pi \preceq \tau^+ \vee \pi = I$ .

If  $\pi \prec \tau^+$ , by side-IH  $\pi \in W(A)$ ,  $\pi^- \in W(A)$ . If  $\pi = \tau^+$ ,  $\pi^- \in W(A)$ . Therefore in all cases  $\pi = I \vee \pi^- \in W(A)|\tau$ . By side IH further  $u' \in W(A)$ ,  $u' \in M(A)$ ,  $u' \in C^{u'}(A)$ . If  $u' \prec \tilde{y}$ ,  $u' \prec \tau$ ,  $u' \in W(A) \cap \tau \subseteq A \cap \tau$ ,  $u' \in A \cap \tilde{y} \subseteq \tau^A(y)$ . Otherwise  $u' \in C^{u'}(A) \cap y \cong C^y(A) \cap y \cong \tau^A(y)$ . The main IH yields in all cases  $\psi_{\pi}u' \in W(A)$ , and the proof of (\*) is complete.

It follows  $C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A) \cap \psi_{\kappa}y \subseteq W(A)$ . Further, if  $y \prec \widetilde{\psi_{\kappa}y}$ ,  $y \in W(A) \cap \tau \cap \widetilde{\psi_{\kappa}y} \subseteq C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$  otherwise  $y \in M(A)$ ,  $y \in C^y(A) \subseteq C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ . If  $\kappa \neq I$ ,  $\kappa^- \in M(A)$ ,  $\kappa^- \in C^{\kappa^-}(A) \cong C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ ,  $\kappa \in C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ , otherwise directly  $\kappa = I \in C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ ,  $\psi_{\kappa}y \prec \kappa$ , therefore  $\psi_{\kappa}y \in C^{\psi_{\kappa}y}(A)$ ,  $\psi_{\kappa}y \in M(A)$ ,  $\psi_{\kappa}y \in \mathcal{A}^A(W(A)) \subseteq W(A)$ .  $\square$

#### 4.4 Distinguished Sets and Classes

**Definition 4.18**  $\text{Ag}(A) := A \subseteq \text{OT} \wedge A \sqsubseteq W(A)$ ,  $A$  is a “distinguished set” (in German “ausgezeichnete Menge”).

$\text{Prog}(A, B) := \forall x \in A. A \cap x \subseteq B \rightarrow x \in B$ .

$\text{Prog}(B) := \text{Prog}(\Omega_1, B)$ , (which is equivalent to  $\forall x \prec \Omega_1. x \subseteq B \rightarrow x \in B$ )

$A^+ := \bigcup_{z \in A} ((W(A) \cap z^+) \cup \{z^+\})$

**Remark 4.19** (a)  $A^+$  is correctly defined from  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $a : \mathbb{N}$ .

(b) If  $A \cong A'$ ,  $B \cong B'$ , then  $A \sqsubseteq B \leftrightarrow A' \sqsubseteq B'$ ,  $\text{Ag}(A) \leftrightarrow \text{Ag}(A')$ ,  $\text{Prog}(A, B) \leftrightarrow \text{Prog}(A', B')$ ,  $\text{Prog}(A) \leftrightarrow \text{Prog}(A')$ ,  $A^+ \cong A'^+$ .

**Remark 4.20** If  $a \in A$ ,  $\text{Ag}(A)$ , then  $\tau^A(a) \cong A \cap a$ .

**Proof:**  $A \cap a \subseteq C^a(A) \cap a \cong \tau^A(a)$ . Further  $a \in A \subseteq W(A)$ ,  $\tau^A(a) \subseteq W(A) \cap a \cong A \cap a$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.21** Assume  $\text{Ag}(A)$ .

(a)  $\text{Prog}(A, B) \rightarrow A \subseteq B$ .

- (b)  $A \cap \Omega_1 \sqsubseteq \text{OT}$ .
- (c)  $\text{Prog}(B) \rightarrow A \cap \Omega_1 \subseteq B$ .

**Proof:** (a) Assume  $\text{Prog}(A, B)$ . Let  $C := \{y \in \text{OT} \mid y \in A \rightarrow y \in B\}$ . Then by Remark 4.20 follows  $\mathcal{A}^A(C) \subseteq C$ ,  $W(A) \subseteq C$ ,  $A \subseteq B$ .

(b)  $A \cap \Omega_1 \sqsubseteq W(A) \cap \Omega_1 \sqsubseteq \text{OT}$  by Lemma 4.13 (d).

(c) By  $\text{Prog}(B)$ , i.e.  $\text{Prog}(\Omega_1, B)$  follows  $\text{Prog}(A \cap \Omega_1, B)$ , and by  $A \cap \Omega_1 \sqsubseteq \Omega_1$  therefore  $A \cap \Omega_1 \subseteq B$ .  $\square$

**Notation 4.22** If we have  $\text{Ag}(A)$ , then by “we show  $\forall x \in A. \phi(x)$  by  $\text{Ind}(x \in A)$ ” we mean that we prove  $\text{Prog}(A, \{x : N \mid \phi(x)\})$ , i.e. we show for all  $x \in A$  under the assumption (which will be called induction hypothesis)  $\forall y \prec x. y \in A \rightarrow \phi(y)$  that  $\phi(x)$  holds. By the lemma above follows then  $\forall x \in A. \phi(x)$ . By “assume  $x$  according to assumption” we mean “assume  $x \in A$  and the induction hypothesis for  $x$ ”.

**Lemma 4.23** *Assume  $\text{Ag}(A)$ .*

- (a)  $A$  is downward closed and upward closed bounded by  $A$ .
- (b) If  $\kappa, c \in A$ ,  $\kappa \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $c \in C_\kappa(c)$ , then  $\psi_\kappa c \in A$ .
- (c)  $\text{Ag}(A^+) \wedge A \subseteq A^+ \wedge \forall x \in A. x^+ \in A^+$ .

**Proof:** (a): Lemma 4.17 (b).

(b): Lemma 4.17 (c).

(c):  $A \subseteq A^+ \subseteq \text{OT}$ : immediate. If  $x \in A$ , then  $\tilde{x} \in A$ ,  $A \cap \tilde{x} \cong W(A) \cap \tilde{x} \cong A^+ \cap \tilde{x}$ ,  $A^+ \cap x^+ \cong W(A) \cap x^+ \cong W(A^+) \cap x^+$ ,  $\tilde{x} \in A \cap x^+ \subseteq W(A) \cap x^+ \cong W(A^+) \cap x^+$ ,  $x^+ \in A^+$ , further  $\tilde{x} \in A^+ \cap x^+ \cong W(A^+) \cap x^+$ ,  $x^+ \in W(A^+)$ , therefore  $A^+|x^+ \cong W(A^+)|x^+$ , therefore  $\forall z \in A^+. A^+|z \cong W(A^+)|z$ ,  $A^+ \sqsubseteq W(A^+)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.24** *(Uniqueness of distinguished sets). Assume  $A_i : \text{Cl}(N)$ ,  $A_i \cong W(A_i) \cap a_i$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ),  $a_0 \preceq a_1$ . Then  $A_0 \cong A_1 \cap a_0$ .*

**Proof:** W.l.o.g.  $a_0 = a_1$ . (Otherwise replace  $A_1$  by  $A_1 \cap a_0$ ).

We show  $\forall y \in A_0. y \prec a_0 \rightarrow y \in A_1$  by  $\text{Ind}(y \in A_0)$ , assume  $y$  according to induction,  $y \prec a_0$ .

We show  $\forall z \in A_1. z \prec y \rightarrow z \in A_0$  by  $\text{Ind}(z \in A_1)$  and assume  $z$  according to induction,  $z \prec y$ .

$A_0 \cap y \subseteq A_1$ , therefore  $A_0 \cap z \subseteq A_1 \cap z$ . By  $A_1 \cap z \subseteq C$  follows  $A_1 \cap z \subseteq A_0 \cap z$ . Therefore  $A_0|z \cong W(A_0)|z \cong W(A_1)|z \cong A_1|z$ ,  $z \in A_0$ , the side-induction is complete. Now  $A_1 \cap y \subseteq A_0 \cap y$ . Further  $A_0 \cap y \subseteq A_1 \cap y$ . Therefore  $y \in A_0|y \cong W(A_0)|y \cong W(A_1)|y \cong A_1|y$ , and the main induction is complete. Therefore  $A_0 \cong A_0 \cap a_0 \subseteq A_1$ , similarly  $A_1 \subseteq A_0$  and we are done.  $\square$



#### 4.5 The Union of all Distinguished Sets – $\mathcal{W}$

**Definition 4.25**  $\mathcal{W} := \bigcup_{X:\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}).\text{Ag}(X)} X$ . Obviously  $\mathcal{W} : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

**Lemma 4.26** (a)  $\forall X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}).\text{Ag}(X) \leftrightarrow X \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ , that is: the distinguished sets are just segments of  $\mathcal{W}$ .

(b) If  $B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $B \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ , then  $\text{Ag}(B)$ .

**Proof:** (a), “ $\rightarrow$ ”:  $X \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$  is clear. Assume  $a \in X$ ,  $b \in \mathcal{W} \cap a$ . Then there exists  $B : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  with  $b \in B$  and  $\text{Ag}(B)$ .  $X' := X|b$ ,  $B' := B|b$ .

Then by Lemma 4.13 (b)  $W(X')|b \cong W(X)|b \cong X|b \cong X'$  and  $W(B')|b \cong W(B)|b \cong B|b \cong B'$ . Therefore by Lemma 4.24  $X' \cong B'$ ,  $b \in B' \cong X' \subseteq X$ .

“ $\leftarrow$ ” If  $a \in X$ , then there exists  $B : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  such that  $a \in B$  and  $\text{Ag}(B)$ . The proof of “ $\rightarrow$ ” shows  $B \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ , therefore  $X|a \cong \mathcal{W}|a \cong B|a \cong W(B)|a$ , therefore  $W(X)|a \cong W(B)|a \cong X|a$ , and we conclude  $\text{Ag}(X)$ .

(b): As (a), “ $\leftarrow$ ”.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.27**  $\text{Ag}(\mathcal{W})$ .

**Proof:** Assume  $a \in \mathcal{W}$ . Then  $a \in A \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$  for some  $A : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $\mathcal{W}|a \cong A|a$ , therefore  $W(\mathcal{W})|a \cong W(A)|a \cong A|a \cong \mathcal{W}|a$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.28** (a) Assume  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $\forall x \in A. \exists Y : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}).\text{Ag}(Y) \wedge x \in Y \wedge Y \subseteq A$ . Then  $\text{Ag}(A)$ .

(b) If  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $y \in \text{OT}$ ,  $\text{Ag}(A)$ , then  $\text{Ag}(A \cap y)$ .

**Proof:** (a): We show  $A \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ . Assume  $x \in A$ ,  $\text{Ag}(Y)$ ,  $x \in Y \subseteq A$ . Then  $Y \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}|x \cong Y|x \subseteq A|x \subseteq \mathcal{W}|x$ . By Lemma 4.26  $\text{Ag}(A)$ .

(b): If  $a \in A \cap y$ , then  $W(A \cap y)|a \cong W(A)|a \cong A|a \cong A \cap y|a$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.29** (a)  $\mathcal{W}$  is downward closed and upward closed bounded by  $\mathcal{W}$ .

(b)  $\forall y, z \in \mathcal{W}. \forall x \in \text{OT}. (x =_{\text{NF}} y + z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_y z \vee x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_y z) \rightarrow x \in \mathcal{W}$ .

(c)  $\forall x \in \text{OT}. \Omega_x \in \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \Omega_{x+1} \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proof:** (a) follows using  $\text{Ag}(\mathcal{W})$ .

(b): Assume  $\text{Ag}(A)$ ,  $\text{Ag}(B)$ ,  $y \in A$ ,  $z \in B$ . Then  $A, B \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $A \cup B \sqsubseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\text{Ag}(A \cup B)$ ,  $y, z \in A \cup B$ ,  $y, z \in C := (A \cup B)^+$ ,  $\text{Ag}(C)$ , and if  $x =_{\text{NF}} y + z$ ,  $\varphi_y z$  or  $x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_y z$ ,  $z \preceq C$ ,  $z \in C \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ .

(c): If  $\Omega_x \in A$ ,  $\text{Ag}(A)$ , then  $\Omega_{x+1} \in A^+$ ,  $\text{Ag}(A^+)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.30** Assume  $a \in M(\mathcal{W}) \cap I$ ,  $B : \mathcal{P}(N)$ ,  $\tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a) \preceq B \subseteq \mathcal{W}|a$ . Then  $a \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\hat{B} := (\Sigma x : N.x \in B)$ . By assumption there is some  $g : \hat{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(N)$  such that  $\forall y : \hat{B}. \text{Ag}(gy) \wedge y0 \in gy$ . Let  $C : \mathcal{P}(N)$ ,  $C := (\bigcup_{y:\hat{B}}(gy)) \cap a$ . By Lemma 4.28 follows  $\text{Ag}(C)$ .

We show  $\tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ : If  $y \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a)$ , then  $y \in C^a(\mathcal{W}) \cap a$ ,  $y \preceq x \in \mathcal{W}$  for some  $x \in B$ ,  $x \preceq a$ ,  $y \in C^a(\mathcal{W})|x \subseteq \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(x) \cup \{x\} \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ .

We show  $C \cong \mathcal{W} \cap a$ : “ $\subseteq$ ” is obvious. “ $\supseteq$ ”: Assume  $y \in \mathcal{W} \cap a$ . Then  $y \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a)$ ,  $y \preceq z$  for some  $z \in B$ ,  $z \in g(p(z, p)) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$  for some  $p : z \in B$ ,  $y \in \mathcal{W}$ , therefore  $y \in g(p(z, p)) \subseteq C$ .

We show  $\forall d \in W(C). d \prec a \rightarrow d \in C$ , (therefore  $W(C) \cap a \subseteq C$ ) by  $\text{Ind}(d \in W(C))$ .

Assume  $d$  according to induction,  $d \prec a$ . Then  $\tau^C(d) \subseteq C$ ,  $d \in C^d(C)$ , by Lemma 4.7 (g)  $\tilde{d} \in C^d(C)|\tilde{d} \cong C^a(C)|\tilde{d} \cong C^a(\mathcal{W})|\tilde{d} \subseteq \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $d^+ \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\mathcal{W} \cap d^+ \cong W(\mathcal{W}) \cap d^+$ ,  $\mathcal{W}|d \cong W(\mathcal{W})|d$ ,  $C|d \cong \mathcal{W}|d \cong W(\mathcal{W})|d \cong W(C)|d$ ,  $d \in W(C)|d \subseteq C$  and the induction is complete.

Let  $C' : \mathcal{P}(N)$ ,  $C' := C \cup \{a\}$ .  $W(C') \cap a \cong W(C) \cap a \cong C' \cap a$ .  $\tau^{C'}(a) \cong \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a) \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap a \cong C \cong C' \cap a \subseteq W(C')$ ,  $a \in M(\mathcal{W})|a \cong M(C')|a$ , therefore  $a \in W(C') \cap C'$ ,  $W(C')|a \cong C'|a \cong C'$ ,  $\text{Ag}(C')$ ,  $a \in C' \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.31** (a)  $\forall x \in \mathcal{W} \cap I. \Omega_x \in \mathcal{W}$ .

(b)  $\psi_1 0 \in \mathcal{W} \wedge \forall x \in \text{OT}. \psi_1 x \in \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \psi_1(x+1) \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proof:** (a): We show  $\forall a \in \mathcal{W}. a \prec I \rightarrow \Omega_a \in \mathcal{W}$  by  $\text{Ind}(a \in \mathcal{W})$ . Assume  $a \in \mathcal{W}$  according to induction,  $a \prec I$ . We have to show  $\Omega_a \in \mathcal{W}$ .

If  $a \in \text{Fi}$ ,  $a = \Omega_a \in \mathcal{W}$ .

Otherwise  $a \prec \Omega_a =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_a$ . Assume  $a \in A$  with  $A : \mathcal{P}(N)$  such that  $\text{Ag}(A)$ .  $\tau^{\mathcal{W}}(a) \cong \tau^A(a)$ .

Let  $B := \{\Omega_{y+1} | y \in \tau^A(a)\}$ . By IH and Lemma 4.29 (c)  $B \subseteq \mathcal{W}|\Omega_a$ ,  $B : \mathcal{P}(N)$ . If  $y \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\Omega_a)$ ,  $\tilde{y} \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\Omega_a)$ ,  $\tilde{y} = \Omega_c$  for some  $c$ ,  $c \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\Omega_a) \cap a \subseteq \tau^A(a)$ ,  $y \prec \Omega_{c+1} \in B$ .  $a \in C^a(\mathcal{W}) \subseteq C^{\Omega_a}(\mathcal{W})$ , therefore  $\Omega_a \in C^{\Omega_a}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $\Omega_a \in M(\mathcal{W})$ . By Lemma 4.30 we conclude  $\Omega_a \in \mathcal{W}$  and therefore the assertion.

(b) Let for the proof of  $\psi_1 0 \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $c := 0$ ,  $d := \psi_1 0$ ,  $e := 0$ , (and  $\psi_1 e \in M(\mathcal{W})$ ) and for the proof of  $\psi_1 x \in \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \psi_1(x+1) \in \mathcal{W}$  under the assumption  $\psi_1 x \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $c := \psi_1 x$ ,  $d := \psi_1(x+1)$ ,  $e := x+1$  (and  $\psi_1 x \in C^{\psi_1 x}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $x \in C^{\psi_1 x}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $e \in C^{\psi_1 x}(\mathcal{W}) \cap C_1(x) \subseteq C^{\psi_1 e}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $\psi_1 e \in M(\mathcal{W})$ ).

Let  $B := \{\Omega_{c+1}^n | n : N\}$ . Then using (a)  $B \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\forall y \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(d). \exists n : N. y \prec \Omega_{c+1}^n \in B$ ,  $d \in M(\mathcal{W})$ . By Lemma 4.30 follows the assertion.  $\square$

#### 4.6 A Distinguished Class Containing I

The next goal is to show, (Lemma 4.38 (a)) that

$$W(\mathcal{W}) \cap I \cong \mathcal{W} \cap I. \quad (*)$$

This allows us to show  $W(\mathcal{W}) \cap \Omega_{I+1}$  is distinguished, and therefore we have defined a distinguished class, namely  $W(\mathcal{W}) \cap \Omega_{I+1}$ , such that  $I \in W(\mathcal{W}) \cap \Omega_{I+1}$ . With this result it is easy to define distinguished classes containing  $\Omega_{I+n}$ . We show (\*) by proving

$$\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap I \subseteq \mathcal{W}. \quad (*)$$

In order to achieve this, by Lemma 4.31 (b) it suffices to show

$$\psi_I c \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W}) \rightarrow \psi_I c \in \mathcal{W} \quad (**.)$$

In order to prove (\*\*), by Lemma 4.30 it suffices to show

$$\psi_I c \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W}) \rightarrow C^{\psi_I c}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \psi_I c \text{ is in } \mathcal{P}(N). \quad (***)$$

We prove the stronger assertion that  $C_I^{\mathcal{W}}(c) := C_I(c) \cap C^{\psi_I c}(\mathcal{W})$  is a set (and not only a class) under the premise of (\*\*). This can be shown by first observing that  $C_I(c)$  is the least set  $B$  such that

- (A1)  $0, I \in B$ ;
- (A2)  $B$  is closed under  $+, \varphi, \Omega$ ;
- (A3) if  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_{\kappa} b$ ,  $\kappa, b \in B$ ,  $b \prec c$ , then  $d \in B$ ;
- (A4) if  $a \in B \cap I$ , then  $a \subseteq B$ .

(In [BS76],  $C_I(a)$  was essentially defined like this). This can be modified to:  $C_I(c)$  is the least set  $B$ , such that

- (B1)  $0, I \in B$ ;
- (B2) if  $a, b \in B$ ,  $d ='_{\text{NF}} a + b \vee d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_a b \vee d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_a$ , then  $d \in B$ ;
- (B3) if  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_{\kappa} b$ ,  $I \prec \kappa$ ,  $\kappa, b \in B$ ,  $b \prec c$ , then  $d \in B$ ;
- (B4)  $\psi_I 0 \subseteq B$ ;
- (B5) if  $b \in B \cap C_I(b) \cap a$ , then  $\psi_I b \subseteq B$ .

From this we derive that (this will be essentially proved in the following – in this formulation it is just no valid formula, whereas the former statements can be proved easily, but are not needed here), that, if  $\psi_I c \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $C_I^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$  is the least class  $Y$ , such that

- (D1)  $0, I \in Y$ ;
- (D2) if  $a, b \in Y$ ,  $d =_{\text{NF}}' a + b$ ,  $d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_a b$  or  $d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_a$  then  $d \in Y$ ;
- (D3) if  $\kappa, b \in Y$ ,  $b \prec c$ ,  $I \prec \kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa b$ , then  $d \in Y$ ;
- (D4)  $B := \mathcal{W} \cap \psi_I 0 \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ ;
- (D5) if  $b \in Y$ ,  $b \in C_1(b) \cap c$ , then  $B := \psi_I(b+1) \cap \mathcal{W} \subseteq Y$ ;

where the “ $B$ ” in (D4) and (D5) can always be chosen as a set. Further the definition above is a continuous inductive definition, i.e. the closure ordinal is  $\omega$ . Using that in Martin-Löf’s type theory the axiom of choice holds, we can introduce  $C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$  as a set.

We introduce the operator  $\Gamma_c$  corresponding to the inductive definition:

**Definition 4.32** Assume  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_c(A) := & \{0, I\} \\ & \cup \{d \in \text{OT} \mid \exists a, b \in A. d =_{\text{NF}}' a + b \vee d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_a b \vee d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_a\} \\ & \cup \{d \in \text{OT} \mid \exists \kappa, b \in A. b \prec c \wedge I \prec \kappa \in \mathbb{R} \wedge d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa b\} \\ & \cup (\mathcal{W} \cap \psi_I 0) \\ & \cup \bigcup_{b \in A. b \in C_1(b) \cap c} (\mathcal{W} \cap \psi_I(b+1)) \end{aligned}$$

We note that  $\Gamma_c(A) : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

**Definition 4.33**  $C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c) := C_1(c) \cap C^{\psi_I c}(\mathcal{W})$ , (which is  $: \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ).

**Lemma 4.34** Assume  $c \in \text{OT}$ ,  $\tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_I c) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ .

Then

- (a) If  $A, B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\Gamma_c(A) \subseteq \Gamma_c(B)$ .
- (b)  $\Gamma_c(C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)) \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ .

**Proof:** (a): easy.

(b): For the parts corresponding to (D1)–(D3) this is easy. Further  $\mathcal{W} \cap \psi_I 0 \subseteq C_1(c) \cap (\psi_I c \cap \mathcal{W}) \subseteq C_1(c) \cap C^{\psi_I c}(\mathcal{W})$ , and if  $b \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ ,  $b \in C_1(b) \cap c$ , then  $\psi_I b \in C_1(c)$ ,  $\mathcal{W} \cap \psi_I(b+1) \subseteq C_1(c) \cap (\psi_I c \cap \mathcal{W}) \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ .  $\square$

If  $A \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ , then  $\Gamma_c(A)$  can be defined as a set:

**Lemma 4.35** Assume  $c : \mathbb{N}$ ,  $X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $p : X \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ ,  $q : c \in \text{OT} \wedge \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_I c) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ . Then we can define  $\Gamma'_{p,q,c}(X) : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ , such that  $\Gamma'_{p,q,c}(X)^{\text{Cl}} \cong \Gamma_c(X)$ .

**Proof:**  $\psi_1 0 \in \mathcal{W}$  by Lemma 4.31 (b). If  $b \in X \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ ,  $b \in C_1(b) \cap c$ , then  $\psi_1 b \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ ,  $\psi_1 b \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_1 c) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ , by Lemma 4.31 (b)  $\psi_1(b+1) \in \mathcal{W}$ . Therefore replace in the definition of  $\Gamma_c(A)$ ,  $\mathcal{W} \cap \psi_1 0$  by a (definable)  $A : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  such that  $\text{Ag}(A) \wedge \psi_1 0 \in A$  and  $\mathcal{W} \cap \psi_1(b+1)$  by a  $A$  such that  $\text{Ag}(A) \wedge \psi_1(b+1) \in A$ , and we obtain  $\Gamma'_{p,q,c}(A)$ .  $\square$

We can now define (the type theoretical definition can be found in Sect. 5) the iteration of  $\Gamma_c$ :

**Assumption and Definition 4.36** Assume  $c : \mathbb{N}$ ,  $X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $q : c \in \text{OT} \wedge \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_1 c) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,

- (a) We assume (and will explicitly define this in Definition 5.8) that for  $n : \mathbb{N}$  we can define  $\Gamma_{c,q}^n : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  such that  $\Gamma_{c,q}^0 \cong \emptyset$  and  $\forall n : \mathbb{N}. \Gamma_{c,q}^{n+1} \cong \Gamma(\Gamma_{c,q}^n)$  (here the  $n+1$  is the successor of  $n$  in  $\mathbb{N}$ )
- (b) Let  $\Gamma_{c,q}^\omega : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $\Gamma_{c,q}^\omega := \bigcup_{n:\mathbb{N}} \Gamma_{c,q}^n$ .

**Lemma 4.37** Assume  $c : \mathbb{N}$ ,  $X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $q : c \in \text{OT} \wedge \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_1 c) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ . Then  $\Gamma_{c,q}^\omega \cong C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ .

**Proof:** We will omit the index  $c, q$  in this proof.

“ $\subseteq$ ”  $\Gamma^n \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$  follows by induction on  $n : \mathbb{N}$  using Lemma 4.34.

“ $\supseteq$ ” We show

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c). x \in \Gamma(\emptyset) \\ \forall \exists x_1, x_2 \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c). (\{x_1, x_2\} \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c) \wedge \\ \text{length}(x_1) < \text{length}(x) \wedge \text{length}(x_2) < \text{length}(x) \wedge \\ \forall X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}). \{x_1, x_2\} \subseteq X \rightarrow x \in \Gamma(X)) . \end{aligned}$$

Then, using that  $n < m \rightarrow \Gamma^n \subseteq \Gamma^m$  (which follows directly from Lemma 4.34) follows by induction on  $\text{length}(x)$  that  $\forall x \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c) \exists n : \mathbb{N}. x \in \Gamma^n$ .

Case  $x =_{\text{NF}}' a + b$  or  $x =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_a b$  or  $(x =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_a \wedge a = b)$ . Then  $a, b \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ , let  $x_1 := a$ ,  $x_2 := b$ .

Case  $x =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa b$ ,  $I \prec \kappa$ ,  $b \prec c$ . Then  $\kappa, b \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ , let  $x_1 := \kappa$ ,  $x_2 := b$ .

Case  $x \prec \psi_1 0$ . By Lemma 4.31 (b)  $\psi_1 0 \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $x \in C^{\psi_1 c}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \psi_1 c \cap \psi_1 0 \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap \psi_1 0 \subseteq \Gamma(\emptyset)$ .

Otherwise  $\psi_1 0 \preceq x \prec I$ ,  $x \prec \psi_1 c$ ,  $x \in C^{\psi_1 c}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \psi_1 c \cong \tau^{\psi_1 c}(c) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $x^{-\text{Fi}} =_{\text{NF}} \psi_1 b$  for some  $b$ ,  $\psi_1 b \preceq d \prec \psi_1(b+1)$ ,  $\text{length}(b) < \text{length}(\psi_1 b) \leq \text{length}(x)$ , therefore  $x \in C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ ,  $\psi_1 b = x^{-\text{Fi}} \in C^{\psi_1 c}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \psi_1 c \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\psi_1 b \in M(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $\psi_1 b \in C^{\psi_1 b}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $b \in C^{\psi_1 b}(\mathcal{W}) \cap C_1(b) \subseteq C^{\psi_1 c}(\mathcal{W}) \cap C_1(c) \cong C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$  by Lemma 4.7 (e),  $x \in \psi_1(b+1) \cap \mathcal{W}$ , let  $x_1 := x_2 := b$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.38** (a) If  $\psi_{Ic} \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W})$ , then  $\psi_{Ic} \in \mathcal{W}$ .

(b)  $\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \mathbf{I} \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ .

(c)  $\mathcal{W} \cap \mathbf{I} \cong \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \mathbf{I}$ .

**Proof:** (a): Assume  $c \in C_I(c)$ ,  $\psi_{Ic} \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W})$ . Then for some  $q \Gamma_{c,q}^{\omega} \cong C_I(c) \cap C^{\psi_{Ic}}(\mathcal{W})$  holds. Let  $A : \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{N})$ ,  $A := \Gamma_{c,q}^{\omega} \cap \mathbf{I}$ . Then  $A \cong \psi_{Ic} \cap C^{\psi_{Ic}}(\mathcal{W}) \cong \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_{Ic}) \cong \psi_{Ic} \cap \mathcal{W}$ .  $\psi_{Ic} \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $\forall x \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_{Ic}).x \preceq x \in A$ , therefore by Lemma 4.30  $\psi_{Ic} \in \mathcal{W}$ .

(b): If  $x \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \mathbf{I}$ , then  $x^{-\text{Fi}} \in C^x(\mathcal{W}) \cap x \subseteq \mathcal{W}$  or  $x^{-\text{Fi}} = x \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{W})$ , by (a) again  $x^{-\text{Fi}} \in \mathcal{W}$ , by Lemma 4.31 (b)  $x^{+\text{Fi}} \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W})|x^{+\text{Fi}} \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ .

(c):  $\mathcal{W} \subseteq \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W})$ , and by  $\text{Ind}(y \in \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}))$ , using (b) follows  $\forall y \in \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}).y \prec \mathbf{I} \rightarrow y \in \mathcal{W}$ .  $\square$

#### 4.7 Proving Well-ordering up to $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n}$

**Definition 4.39**  $\mathcal{W}_0 := \mathcal{W} \cap \mathbf{I}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_{S(i)} := \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_i) \cap \Omega_{I+1 \cdot S(i)}$ .

In the following we write  $I + i$  instead of  $I + 1 \cdot i$ , similar for  $j, S(j), S(i)$  etc. instead of  $i$ .

**Lemma 4.40** For all  $i \prec \omega$   $\text{Ag}(\mathcal{W}_i) \wedge \Omega_{I+i} \in \mathcal{W}_{S(i)} \wedge \mathcal{W}_i \cong \mathcal{W}_{S(i)} \cap \Omega_{I+i}$ .

**Proof:** Meta Induction on  $i : \mathbf{N}$ :

$i = 0$ : By Lemma 4.38 (c)  $\mathcal{W}_0 \cong \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \mathbf{I} \cong \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_0) \cap \mathbf{I} \cong \mathcal{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{I}$ . Therefore  $\text{Ag}(\mathcal{W}_0) \wedge \mathcal{W}_0 \cong \mathcal{W}_1 \cap \Omega_I$ . Further  $\mathbf{I} \in C^{\mathbf{I}}(\mathcal{W})$ , and by an easy induction on  $\text{length}(x)$  follows for all  $\forall x \in \tau(\mathbf{I})^{\mathcal{W}} \cong C^{\mathbf{I}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \mathbf{I}.x \in \mathcal{W} \cap \mathbf{I} \cong \mathcal{W}_0 \subseteq \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_0)$ , therefore  $\Omega_I = \mathbf{I} \in \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_0) \cap \Omega_{I+1} \cong \mathcal{W}_1$ .

$i = j+1$ :  $\mathcal{W}_j \cong \mathcal{W}_{j+1} \cap \Omega_{I+j}$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{W}_{j+1} \cong \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_j) \cap \Omega_{I+j+1} \cong \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_{j+1}) \cap \Omega_{I+j+1} \cong \mathcal{W}_{j+2} \cap \Omega_{I+j+1}$ , therefore  $\text{Ag}(\mathcal{W}_i)$ . Further  $\Omega_{I+j+1} \in C^{\Omega_{I+j+1}}(\mathcal{W})$ , and if  $x \in \tau^{\mathcal{W}_{j+1}}(\Omega_{I+j+1})$ , follows by induction on  $\text{length}(x)$  immediately  $x \in \mathcal{W}_{j+1} \cap \Omega_{I+j+1}$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_{j+1})$ , and therefore  $\Omega_{I+j+1} \in \mathbf{W}(\mathcal{W}_{j+1}) \cap \Omega_{I+(j+2)} \cong \mathcal{W}_{j+2}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.41** For all  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  and each of the theories  $T = \text{ML}_J, \text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}, \text{ML}_{J,\text{aux}}, \text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$  the following holds:

$T \vdash \forall X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{N}).(\forall y \in \text{OT}.(\forall x \prec y.x \in X) \rightarrow y \in X) \rightarrow \forall y \prec \psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n}.y \in X$ .

**Proof:** We argue first in the theories with “aux”. Assume the premise of the assertion. Then  $X : \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{N})$  and  $\text{Prog}(X)$ , therefore by Lemmata 4.21 (c) and 4.40  $\mathcal{W}_{S_n} \cap \Omega_1 \subseteq X$ . By Lemma 4.40  $\Omega_{I+n} \in \mathcal{W}_{S_n}$  and  $\Omega_1 \in \mathcal{W} \cap \mathbf{R} \cap \mathbf{I} \subseteq \mathcal{W}_{S_n} \cap \mathbf{R}$ , therefore by Lemma 4.23 (b)  $\psi_{\Omega_1}\Omega_{I+n} \in \mathcal{W}_{S_n}$ . By  $\mathcal{W}_{S_n} \cap \Omega_1 \sqsubseteq \text{OT}$  we conclude

$\forall y : \mathbb{N}. y \prec \psi_{\Omega_1} \Omega_{1+n} \rightarrow y \in X$ .

The assertion for theories “without the aux” follows by Lemma 3.8 (a).  $\square$

**Corollary 4.42** *The proof theoretic strength of  $\text{ML}_J$ ,  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$ ,  $\text{ML}_{J,\text{aux}}$ ,  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$  and of the extensional version of it is  $\psi_{\Omega_1}(\Omega_{1+\omega})$ .*

**Proof:** The lower bound follows by Theorem 4.41 and since the extensional version is an extension of  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$ . The upper bound for the extensional version (and therefore of  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}]}$  and  $\text{ML}_{[\text{TD}],\text{aux}}$ , too) can be found in [Set96c] and by a straightforward modification of that embedding one gets the upper bounds for  $\text{ML}_J$  and  $\text{ML}_{J,\text{aux}}$ .  $\square$

## 5 The Type Theoretic Constructions used in the Well-ordering Proofs

### 5.1 Definition of $C^a(A)$

We will code finite sets of natural numbers as natural numbers. This makes the definition of  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N}))$  easy.

**Definition 5.1** (a) We assume some coding of finite sets of natural numbers as lists of natural numbers, which are again coded as elements of the natural numbers. This should be done in such a way, that the set of codes for finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ , written as  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N})$ , is a decidable subset of the natural numbers, and that the element-relation  $a \in_{\text{fin}} A$  and the subset-relation  $A \subseteq_{\text{fin}} B$  for  $A : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $B : \mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N})$  or  $B : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N})$  are decidable. (We usually omit the superscript fin). If  $A : \mathcal{P}^{\text{dec}}(\mathbb{N})$ , we define  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(A) := \{y \mid y \in \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N}) \wedge y \subseteq_{\text{fin}} A\}$ , which should be a decidable subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

We assume that the operations  $\cong_{\text{fin}}$ ,  $\cup_{\text{fin}}$ ,  $\cap_{\text{fin}}$  can be defined as operations on  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N})$  and that for  $a_1, \dots, a_n : \mathbb{N}$  the term  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}_{\text{fin}}$  is an element of  $\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N})$ . Further we assume all the usual properties of such an implementation.

- (b) For  $A, B : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N}))$ , let  $A \otimes B := \{K \cup L \mid K \in A \wedge L \in B\}$ ,  $A \otimes B : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N}))$ .
- (c) For  $A : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $a \in \text{OT}$ , let  $A \upharpoonright a := \{K \in A \mid K \subseteq_{\text{fin}} a\}$ ,  $A \upharpoonright a : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N}))$ .

**Remark 5.2** (a)  $(\exists K \in A \otimes B. K \subseteq_{\text{fin}} C) \Leftrightarrow (\exists K \in A. K \subseteq_{\text{fin}} C) \wedge (\exists K \in B. K \subseteq_{\text{fin}} C)$ .

- (b)  $(\exists K \in A \upharpoonright a. K \subseteq_{\text{fin}} C) \Leftrightarrow \exists K \in A. K \subseteq_{\text{fin}} C \cap a$ .

**Definition 5.3** We define  $K_a(b) : \mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathcal{P}^{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{N}))$  for  $a, b : \text{OT}$  by recursion on  $\text{length}(b)$ .

$K_a(d) := \emptyset$ , if  $d \notin \text{OT} \vee a \notin \text{OT}$ .

Otherwise:

$K_a(0) := K_a(\mathbb{I}) := \{\emptyset\}$ .

If  $d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c$  or  $d ='_{\text{NF}} b + c$  then  $K_a(d) := (K_a(b) \otimes K_a(c)) \cup (\{\{d\}\} \upharpoonright a)$ .

If  $d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b$  then  $K_a(d) := K_a(b) \cup (\{\{d\}\} \upharpoonright a)$ .

If  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa c$ ,  $K_a(b) := \begin{cases} (K_a(\kappa) \otimes K_a(c)) \cup (\{\{d\}\} \upharpoonright a) & \text{if } a \prec \kappa \\ \{\{d\}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

**Definition 5.4** Assume  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .  $C^a(A) := \{y \in \text{OT} \mid \exists L \in K_a(y). L \subseteq_{\text{fin}} A\}$ . Obviously,  $C^a(A)$  is a class, correctly defined from  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

**Lemma 5.5** Assume  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$ .

(a)  $C^a(A) \subseteq \text{OT}$ .

(b)  $0, \mathbb{I} \in C^a(A)$ .

(c)  $((d =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_b c \vee d ='_{\text{NF}} b + c \vee (d =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_b \wedge b = c)) \wedge d \in \text{OT}) \rightarrow (d \in C^a(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in A \cap a \vee \{b, c\} \subseteq C^a(A))$ .

(d) Assume  $d =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa c$ .

If  $a \prec \kappa$ , then  $d \in C^a(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in A \cap a \vee \{\kappa, c\} \subseteq C^a(A)$ .

If  $\kappa \preceq a$ , then  $d \in C^a(A) \Leftrightarrow d \in A \cap a$ .

**Proof:** by Remark 5.2.  $\square$

## 5.2 Definition of $W(A)$

$W(A)$  will be defined in such a way that it fulfills the properties in Assumption 4.10, which express:  $W(A)$  is the least set of ordinal terms  $B$ , such that  $\mathcal{A}^A(B) \subseteq B$ . We define this by using the  $W$ -type as follows:  $W_1^A$  will be a tree, each node of which has as index a natural number  $a$  (which will be usually an ordinal term), and as branching degree  $\hat{\tau}^A(a)$ , which is  $\Sigma x : \mathbb{N}. x \in \tau^A(a)$ , the collection of elements in  $\tau^A(a)$ . An ordinal term  $a$  is in  $W(A)$ , if there exists a correctly defined tree (which means, that at every node the  $p(b, p)$ -th subtree has index  $b$ ), the root of which has index  $a$ . The tree just considered is a verification, that  $a$  belongs to  $\bigcap \{Y \mid \mathcal{A}^A(Y) \subseteq Y\}$ .

**Definition 5.6** (a)  $\hat{\tau}^A(a) := \Sigma y : \mathbb{N}. y \in \tau^A(a)$ ,

(b)  $W_1^A := (Wx : \mathbb{N}. \hat{\tau}^A(x))$ .

(c)  $\text{Cor}^A(t) := (\forall u : W_1^A. u \preceq t \rightarrow (\text{index}(u) \in M(A) \wedge \forall v : \hat{\tau}^A(\text{index}(u)). \text{index}(\text{pred}(u)v) = v0))$ .

(d)  $W(A) := \{y \mid \exists v : W_1^A. \text{Cor}^A(v) \wedge \text{index}(v) = y\}$ .



**Remark 5.7** (a)  $W(A)$  is a class,  $\hat{\tau}^A(s)$ ,  $W_1^A$  are types correctly defined from  $A, B : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $a : \mathbb{N}$ .

$\text{Cor}^A(t)$  is a type, correctly defined from  $A : \text{Cl}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $t : W_1^A$ .

(b)  $W(A) \subseteq M(A)$ .

(c)  $\forall x : \mathbb{N}. \forall y : \hat{\tau}^A(x) \rightarrow W_1^A. \text{Cor}^A(\text{sup}(x, y)) \leftrightarrow$   
 $(x \in M(A) \wedge \forall v : \hat{\tau}^A(x). \text{Cor}^A(yv) \wedge \text{index}(yv) = v0)$ .

(Assumption 4.1 applies except for the last statement, where the leading  $W$  in  $W_1^A$  must not be underlined).

**Proof** of (c): “ $\rightarrow$ ”: if  $v : \hat{\tau}^A(x)$ ,  $u \preceq yv$ , then  $u \prec \text{sup}(x, y)$ , therefore from  $\text{Cor}^A(\text{sup}(x, y))$  we can infer  $\text{Cor}^A(yv)$ , further  $\text{index}(\text{sup}(x, y)) = x$ ,  $\text{index}(yv) = \text{index}(\text{pred}(\text{sup}(x, y))v) = v0$ .

“ $\leftarrow$ ” follows similarly, using  $u \preceq \text{sup}(x, y) \leftrightarrow (u = \text{sup}(x, y) \vee \exists v : \hat{\tau}^A(x). u \preceq yv)$ .  $\square$

**Proof** that  $W(A)$ , as defined in Definition 5.6 fulfills the conditions of Assumption 4.10:

Assumption 4.10 (a): If  $x \in \mathcal{A}^A(W(A))$ , then  $x \in M(A)$  and  $\tau^A(x) \subseteq W(A)$ , therefore there exist  $y : \hat{\tau}^A(x) \rightarrow W_1^A$  and  $p : \forall u : \hat{\tau}^A(x). \text{Cor}(yu) \wedge \text{index}(yu) = u0$ .

Let  $w := \text{sup}(x, y)$ . By Remark 5.7 (c) follows  $\text{Cor}(w)$ ,  $\text{index}(w) = x$ ,  $x \in W(A)$ .

Assumption 4.10 (b): Assume  $\mathcal{A}^A(B) \cap W(A) \subseteq B$ . We show  $\forall u : W_1^A. \text{Cor}^A(u) \rightarrow \text{index}(u) \in B$ , by induction on  $W_1^A$  from which follows the assertion.

Assume  $x : \mathbb{N}$ ,  $y : \hat{\tau}^A(x) \rightarrow W_1^A$ , and  $\forall v : \hat{\tau}^A(yv). \text{Cor}^A(yv) \rightarrow \text{index}(yv) \in B$ . Assume  $\text{Cor}^A(\text{sup}(x, y))$ . Then  $x = \text{index}(\text{sup}(x, y)) \in M(A)$ . By Remark 5.7 (c) and the IH we get for  $v : \hat{\tau}^A(x)$ , that  $v0 = \text{index}(yv) \in B$ , therefore, if  $u \in \tau^A(x)$ ,  $u \in B$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{A}^A(B)$ ,  $x = \text{index}(\text{sup}(x, y)) \in W(A)$ , therefore  $\text{index}(\text{sup}(x, y)) = x \in B$  and we are done.  $\square$

### 5.3 Definition of $\Gamma_{cq}^n$

**Definition 5.8** Assume  $c : \mathbb{N}$ ,  $q : (c \in \text{OT} \wedge \tau^{\mathcal{W}}(\psi_1 c) \subseteq \mathcal{W})$ ,  $A : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $p : A \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ .

By simultaneous induction on  $n : \mathbb{N}$  we define  $\Gamma_{c,q}^n : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $P_{c,q}^n : \Gamma_{c,q}^n \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ . (Then  $\Gamma_{c,q}^n$  fulfills the assertion of Assumption 4.36 (a)). We omit the indices  $c, q$  for simplification in the following:

$\Gamma^0 := \emptyset$ ,  $P^0$  is a proof of  $\emptyset \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ .

$\Gamma^{n+1} := \Gamma'_{P_{n,q,c}}(\Gamma^n)$ ,  $P^{n+1}$  is the proof we obtain by  $\Gamma^{n+1} \cong \Gamma'_{P_{n,q,c}}(\Gamma^n) \cong \Gamma(\Gamma^n) \subseteq \Gamma(C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)) \subseteq C_1^{\mathcal{W}}(c)$ .

## A Proof of Lemma 1.10

**Definition A.1** Assume  $\alpha, \beta \in \text{Ord}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} C^0(\alpha, \beta) &:= \beta \cup \{0, 1, \mathbf{I}\} \\ C^{n+1}(\alpha, \beta) &:= \beta \cup \{0, 1, \mathbf{I}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{\rho \mid \exists \gamma, \delta \in C^n(\alpha, \beta). \\ &\quad \quad \rho =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\gamma \delta \vee \rho =_{\text{NF}} \gamma + \delta \vee \rho =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\gamma\} \\ &\quad \cup \{\psi_\pi \xi \mid \pi, \xi \in C^n(\alpha, \beta), \pi \in \mathbf{R}, \xi < \alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

$$C_\kappa^n(\alpha) := C^n(\alpha, \psi_\kappa \alpha).$$

**Lemma A.2**  $\bigcup_{n < \omega} C^n(\alpha, \beta) = C(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Lemma A.3** (Lemma 2.7 of [BS88]) If  $\alpha < \beta$  and for all  $\alpha \leq \delta < \beta$   $\delta \notin C_\pi(\alpha)$  holds, then  $C_\pi(\beta) = C_\pi(\alpha)$  and  $\psi_\pi \beta = \psi_\pi \alpha$ .

**Proof:** “ $\supseteq$ ” is trivial, for “ $\subseteq$ ” we prove by induction on  $n \forall \gamma \in C_\pi^n(\beta). \gamma \in C_\pi^n(\alpha)$ . The only difficult case is  $\gamma = \psi_\kappa \delta$ ,  $\delta < \alpha$ ,  $\kappa, \delta \in C_\pi^{n-1}(\beta)$ . But in this case  $\delta < \beta$ , and we are done.  $\square$

**Lemma A.4** (Lemma 2.8 of [BS88]) If  $\beta = \min\{\xi \mid \alpha \leq \xi \in C_\pi(\alpha)\}$ , then  $C_\pi(\alpha) = C_\pi(\beta)$ ,  $\psi_\pi \alpha = \psi_\pi \beta$ , and  $\beta \in C_\pi(\beta)$ .

**Proof:** Lemma A.3.  $\square$

**Lemma A.5** (Corresponds to Lemma [BS88] 2.11.)

Assume  $\pi, \gamma, \gamma_0 \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha)$ ,  $\kappa \leq \pi \wedge \beta \leq \alpha$ . Then

$$\delta := \min\{\xi \mid \gamma \leq \xi \in C_\pi(\beta)\} \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha),$$

$$\delta' := \min\{\xi \mid \gamma \leq \varphi_{\gamma_0} \xi \in C_\pi(\beta)\} \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha),$$

**Proof:** Induction on  $n$ .

Case  $\gamma < \psi_\kappa \alpha$ : Subcase  $\gamma < \psi_\pi \beta$ :  $\delta = \gamma$ ,  $\delta' \leq \gamma < \psi_\pi \beta$ .

Subcase  $\psi_\pi \beta \leq \gamma$ :  $\psi_\pi \beta \leq \gamma < \psi_\kappa \alpha \leq \kappa \leq \pi$ . Since  $C_\pi(\beta) \cap \pi = \psi_\pi \beta$ ,  $\pi \in C_\pi(\beta)$ , follows  $\delta = \pi$ ,  $\pi \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha)$ .  $\delta' < \psi_\pi \beta$  or  $\delta' = \pi$ ,  $\delta' \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha)$ .

Case  $\gamma = 0, 1, \mathbf{I}$ :  $\delta = \gamma$ ,  $\delta' \in \{0, \mathbf{I}\}$ .

In all other cases  $n = n' + 1$ .

Case  $\gamma =_{\text{NF}} \gamma_1 + \gamma_2$ ,  $\gamma_i \in C_\pi^{n'}(\beta)$ : Let  $\delta_i$  be chosen for  $\gamma_i$ . If  $\gamma \leq \delta_1$ ,  $\delta = \delta_1$ .

Otherwise  $\gamma_1 \leq \delta_1 < \gamma_1 + \gamma_2$ ,  $\delta_1 = \gamma_1 + \rho \in C_\pi(\beta)$ ,  $0 \leq \rho < \gamma_2$ , therefore  $\delta_1 =_{\text{NF}} \gamma_1 + \rho$ ,  $\gamma_1 \in C_\pi(\beta)$ . Therefore  $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 \leq \delta \leq \gamma_1 + \delta_2$ ,  $\delta = \gamma_1 + \rho$

with  $\gamma_2 \leq \rho \leq \delta_2$ ,  $\rho \in C_\pi(\beta)$ ,  $\rho = \delta_2$ , we easily check that  $\delta_2 \in A$ , therefore  $\delta = \delta_1 + \delta_2 \in C_\kappa^n(\beta)$ .  $\delta' = \delta'_1$  or  $\delta' = \delta'_1 + 1$ , where  $\delta'_1 \in C_\kappa^{n'}(\alpha)$  by the second IH for  $\gamma_1$ .

Case  $\gamma =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{\gamma_1} \gamma_2$ ,  $\gamma_i \in C_\pi^{n'}(\beta)$ : Let  $\delta_i$  be determined for  $\gamma_i$ . Then  $\gamma \leq \varphi_{\delta_1} \delta_2$ . If  $\gamma \leq \delta_i$ ,  $\delta = \delta_i$ . Assume  $\delta_i < \gamma$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Then  $\delta_i \leq \delta \leq \varphi_{\delta_1} \delta_2$ , therefore  $\delta \notin G$ , otherwise  $\delta = \max\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ .

If  $\delta =_{\text{NF}} \delta_3 + \delta_4$ , we had  $\gamma \leq \delta_3 < \delta$ ,  $\delta_3 \in C_\pi(\beta)$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $\delta =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$ ,  $\gamma \leq \delta \leq \varphi_{\delta_1} \delta_2$ . If  $\delta_3 < \gamma_1$ , we had  $\gamma \leq \delta_4 < \delta$ ,  $\delta_4 \in C_\pi(\beta)$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $\gamma_1 \leq \delta_3 \in C_\pi(\beta)$ ,  $\delta_1 \leq \delta_3$ . If  $\delta_1 < \delta_3$ , by  $\varphi_{\gamma_1} \gamma_2 \leq \varphi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$  and  $\gamma_1 < \delta_3$  follows  $\gamma_2 \leq \varphi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$ ,  $\delta_2 \leq \varphi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$ ,  $\gamma \leq \varphi_{\delta_1} \delta_2 \leq \varphi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$ ,  $\varphi_{\delta_1} \delta_2 = \varphi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$ ,  $\delta = \delta_2 \in C_\kappa^{n'}(\alpha)$ . Otherwise  $\delta_1 = \delta_3$ ,  $\delta_4 = \delta'_2 \in C_\kappa^{n'}(\alpha)$  by the second IH for  $\gamma_0 := \delta_3$ .

Second part in this case: If  $\gamma_0 < \gamma_1$ , then  $\delta' = \delta$ , if  $\gamma_0 = \gamma_1$ , then  $\delta' = \delta_2$ , and if  $\gamma_0 > \gamma_1$ , choose  $\delta'_2$  for  $\gamma_2$ ,  $\delta = \delta'_2$ .

In all cases, where  $\gamma \in G$ , follows immediately  $\delta \in G$ ,  $\delta' \in \{0, \delta\}$  and the assertion in the second case.

Case  $\gamma = \psi_{\gamma_1} \gamma_2$ ,  $\gamma_i \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha)$ . The case  $\gamma \in C_\pi(\beta)$  is trivial, let therefore  $\gamma < \delta$ . Let  $\delta_i$  be chosen for  $\gamma_i$ .

Subcase  $\gamma_1 < \delta_1$ :  $\gamma_1 \neq I$ ,  $\delta = \delta_1$ . Subcase  $\gamma_1 = \delta_1 = \delta$  or  $\gamma = \delta$ : easy. Assume now  $\gamma_1 = \delta_1$ ,  $\gamma < \delta < \gamma_1$ :

Subcase  $\gamma_1 \neq I$ : Then  $\delta = \psi_{\gamma_1} \delta_3$ , by  $\gamma < \delta$ ,  $\gamma_2 < \delta_3 < \beta \leq \alpha$  it follows  $\delta_3 \in C_\pi(\beta)$ , therefore  $\delta_2 \leq \delta_3$ , and by minimality and since  $\psi_\pi \delta_2 \leq \psi_\pi \delta_3$ ,  $\delta = \psi_\pi \delta_2 \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha)$ .

Subcase  $\gamma_1 = I$ . If  $\delta =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{\delta_3}$ ,  $\gamma \leq \delta_3 \in C_\pi(\beta)$ , a contradiction, and if  $\delta = \psi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$  with  $\delta_3 \neq I$ ,  $\gamma \leq \delta_3^- < \delta$ ,  $\delta_3^- \in C_\pi(\beta)$ , again a contradiction, therefore  $\delta = \psi_I \delta_4$ , and as in the subcase before follows the assertion.

Case  $\gamma =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{\gamma_1}$ : Let  $\delta_1$  be chosen for  $\gamma_1$ . If  $\gamma \leq \delta_1$ ,  $\delta = \delta_1$ . Otherwise follows  $\delta \in G$ ,  $\delta \neq \psi_{\delta_3} \delta_4$  with  $\delta_3 \neq I$  (otherwise  $\gamma \leq \delta_3^-$ ). Therefore  $\delta = I$  or  $=_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{\delta_3}$  (therefore  $\delta_3 = \delta_1$ ) or  $\delta = \psi_I \delta_3$  (but in this case  $\gamma \leq \Omega_{\delta_1} < \delta$ , a contradiction).  $\square$

**Proof** of Lemma 1.10: (a): “ $\supseteq$ ” is obvious.

“ $\subseteq$ ”: We show  $C_\kappa^n(\alpha) \subseteq C_\kappa^{n+1}(\alpha)$  by induction on  $n : \mathbb{N}$ . Here the only difficulty is the case  $\gamma = \psi_\pi \beta \in C_\kappa^{n+1}(\alpha)$ ,  $\pi, \beta \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha)$ ,  $\beta < \alpha$ . If  $\pi \leq \kappa$  or  $\pi = I \wedge \psi_I \beta < \kappa$ , then  $\gamma \leq \psi_\kappa \alpha$ , otherwise follows by Lemma A.5  $\beta_0 := \min\{\xi \mid \beta \leq \xi \in C_\pi(\beta)\} \in C_\kappa^n(\alpha) \subseteq C_\kappa^{n+1}(\alpha)$ , by Lemma A.4  $\psi_\pi \beta = \psi_\pi \beta_0$ ,  $\beta_0 \in C_\pi(\beta_0)$ . If  $\beta = \beta_0$ ,  $\beta_0 < \alpha$ . Otherwise  $\beta \notin C_\pi(\beta_0) = C_\pi(\beta)$ , if  $\pi \neq I$ , by  $\kappa < \pi$   $\beta \notin C_\kappa(\beta_0)$ , since  $\beta \in C_\kappa(\alpha)$ ,  $\beta_0 < \alpha$ , and, if  $\pi = I$ ,  $\kappa < \psi_I \beta$ , and from  $\beta \notin C_\pi(\beta_0)$  and  $\psi_\kappa \beta_0 < \psi_\pi \beta_0$  we infer  $\beta \notin C_\kappa(\beta_0)$  and again  $\beta_0 < \alpha$ . Therefore  $\gamma \in C_\kappa^{n+2}(\alpha)$ .

(b) “ $\supseteq$ ” is obvious. “ $\subseteq$ ”: We show by induction on  $\alpha$ , side-induction on  $\rho$   $\rho < \psi_\kappa \alpha \rightarrow \rho \in C'(\alpha, \kappa^- + 1)$  and the assertion follows.

If  $\rho \leq \kappa^-$ , this is obvious, and, if  $\rho =_{\text{NF}} \rho_1 + \rho_2$  or  $\rho =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_{\rho_1} \rho_2$ , or  $\rho =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_{\rho_1}$ , this follows by side-IH. Otherwise  $\exists \delta. \delta \in C_\kappa(\delta) \wedge \delta < \alpha \wedge \rho = \psi_\kappa \delta$ . Then  $\delta \in C_\kappa(\delta) = C'(\delta, \kappa^- + 1) \subseteq C'(\alpha, \kappa^- + 1)$  by IH,  $\psi_\kappa \delta \in C'(\alpha, \kappa^- + 1)$ .

(c):  $C_{\Omega_1}(I^+) = C'(I^+, 1) = C'(I^+, 0)$ .  $\square$

## B The Order-type of the Ordinal Notation System

In this section we show that the ordinal functions in OT correspond to the those defined in Sect. 1. It is based on proofs in [Buc86].

**Definition B.1** For  $a \in \text{OT}$  we define an ordinal  $o(a) \in \text{Ord}$ :

$$o(0) := 0, o(I) := I, o((a_1, \dots, a_n)) := o(a_1) + \dots + o(a_n), o(\varphi'_a b) := \varphi_{o(a)} o(b), o(\Omega'_a) := \Omega_{o(a)}, o(\psi_a b) := \psi_{o(a)} o(b).$$

We will prove the following lemma:

**Lemma B.2** (a)  $C_{\Omega_1}(I^+) = \{o(x) \mid x \in \text{OT}\}$ .

(b) If  $a \in \text{OT}$  such that  $a \prec \Omega_1$ , then  $o(a) = \text{ordertype}(\{x \in \text{OT} \mid x \prec a\}, \prec)$ .

(c)  $\psi_{\Omega_1} I^+ = \text{ordertype}(\{x \in \text{OT} \mid x \prec \Omega_1\}, \prec)$ .

**Proof:** At the end of this section.

**Lemma B.3** Assume  $a, b \in \text{OT}$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a)  $o(a) \in C_{\Omega_1}(I^+)$ .

(b)  $a \in \mathbf{G} \Leftrightarrow o(a) \in \mathbf{G}$ , similarly for  $\text{Lim}, \text{Suc}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{R}, \text{Fi}$ . (the first  $\mathbf{G}$  is a subset of OT, the second  $\mathbf{G}$  a subset of the ordinals, note the difference in the fonts).

(c)  $\mathbf{G}_{o(u)}(o(a)) = \{o(x) \mid x \in \mathbf{G}_u(a)\}$ .

(d)  $a \prec b \Rightarrow o(a) < o(b)$ .

**Proof:** (by induction on  $\text{length}(a) + \text{length}(u)$ ), simultaneously for (a) –(d):

1.  $a =_{\text{NF}} \psi_b c$ : Then  $\mathbf{G}_b(c) \prec c$  and  $b, c \in \text{OT}$ .

(a) By IH  $o(b), o(c) \in C_{\Omega_1}(I^+)$  and  $\mathbf{G}_{o(b)}(o(c)) = \{o(x) \mid x \in \mathbf{G}_b(c)\} < o(c)$ .

By Lemma 1.13 follows  $o(c) \in I^+ \cap C_{o(b)}(o(c))$  and therefore  $o(a) = \psi_{o(b)} o(c) \in C_{\Omega_1}(I^+)$ .

(b) trivial.

(c) Immediate by IH and definition of  $\mathbf{G}_u(a)$ .

(d) follows by side-induction on  $\text{length}(b)$  using the usual properties of the ordinals  $0, I$ , of the functions  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ ,  $\Omega$ ., and Lemma 1.5(a), (b), (c), (f), (g).

2. All other cases follow immediately, using in (c) again side induction on  $\text{length}(b)$ .

**Lemma B.4** For all  $\alpha \in C'^m(I^+, 0)$  exists  $a \in \text{OT}$  such that  $b = o(a)$ .

**Proof:** If  $\alpha = 0, I$ , this is immediate, if  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}}' \gamma + \delta$ , or  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \varphi_\gamma \delta$  or  $\alpha =_{\text{NF}} \Omega_\gamma$ , this follows by IH for  $\gamma, \delta$  and if  $b =_{\text{NF}} \psi_\kappa \delta$ , especially  $G_\kappa(\delta) < \delta$ , follows  $\kappa = o(r)$  for some  $r \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\delta = o(d)$  for some  $d \in \mathbf{OT}$ ,  $G_r(d) < d$  by Lemma B.3,  $b = o(\psi_r d)$  with  $\psi_r d \in \mathbf{OT}$ .  $\square$

**Proof** of Lemma B.2: (a) is proven. Further  $\{o(x) \mid x \prec \Omega'_0 \wedge x \in \mathbf{OT}\} = C_{\Omega_1}(I^+) \cap \Omega_1 = \psi_{\Omega_1} I^+$ ,  $o(\cdot)$  is an order preserving map  $\{x \mid x \prec \Omega'_0 \wedge x \in \mathbf{OT}\} \longrightarrow \psi_{\Omega_1} I^+$ , and for  $a \prec \Omega'_1$ ,  $\{o(x) \mid x \prec a \wedge x \in \mathbf{OT}\} = C_{\Omega_1}(I^+) \cap o(a) = o(a)$ , again  $o(\cdot)$  is an order preserving isomorphism.  $\square$

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