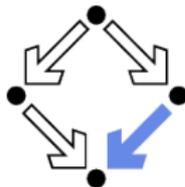


# An Ordering for Flexible and Finite Representation of Infinite Sequences of Proofs

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# An Introduction

- ▶ This presentation is similar to the previous two in that:
  - 1) Motivated by the study of cut-elimination.
  - 2) Connected to our investigations of Herbrand's theorem in the presence of induction through schematic proof representation.
- ▶ Unlike the previous talks we are going to focus on **schematic proof representation**.
- ▶ We introduce an ordering developed specifically for finitely representing infinite sequences of proofs.
- ▶ Furthermore, we discuss uses beyond proof representation.
- ▶ But first let's cover some background material.

## cut-elimination on inductive proofs?

- ▶ Induction is of crucial importance in mathematics.
- ▶ There exist forms of cut-elimination for inductive proofs.
- ▶ But Herbrand's theorem fails.
- ▶ solution: Replace inductive proofs by proof schemata and compute Herbrand systems.
- ▶ The analysis of Fürstenberg's prime proof by CERES was based on proof schemata.

## Inductive proofs: extraction of Herbrand sequents?

**Example:** Let us consider the sequent  $S$ :

$$\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash \forall n \forall x((P(\hat{g}(n, x)) \rightarrow Q(x)) \rightarrow (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)))$$

where  $f$  is a unary function symbol and

$$\mathcal{E} = \{\hat{g}(0, x) = x, \hat{g}(s(n), x) = f(\hat{g}(n, x))\}.$$

The skolemized version:

$$S': (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash (P(\hat{g}(n_0, c)) \rightarrow Q(c)) \rightarrow (P(c) \rightarrow Q(c)).$$

Obviously,  $S'$  cannot be proven without induction -  $S'$  does not have a Herbrand sequent (w.r.t. the theory  $\mathcal{E}$ ).

- ▶  $S'$  can be proven by induction - you prove the lemma

$$\psi: (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash \forall n \forall x(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(n, x))).$$

# Proof Schemata Define Herbrand Schemata

$\psi(0) =$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{P(\hat{g}(0, x_0)) \vdash P(\hat{g}(0, x_0))}{P(x_0) \vdash P(\hat{g}(0, x_0))} \mathcal{E}}{\vdash P(x_0) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(0, x_0))} \rightarrow: r}{\vdash (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(0, x)))} \forall: r}{(\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(0, x)))} w: l$$

and  $\psi(k+1)$  is:

$$\frac{\frac{\psi(k)}{(\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(\bar{k}, x)))} (1)}{(\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(s(\bar{k}), x)))} \text{cut, c: l}$$

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where (1) is:

$$\begin{array}{c}
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 \end{array}$$

# Proof Schemata Define Herbrand Schemata

and define  $\varphi(n) =$

$$\frac{(\psi(n)) \quad (\chi(n))}{\frac{(\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash C(n) \quad C(n) \vdash (P(\hat{g}(\bar{n}, c)) \rightarrow Q(c)) \rightarrow (P(c) \rightarrow Q(c))}{(\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))) \vdash (P(\hat{g}(\bar{n}, c)) \rightarrow Q(c)) \rightarrow (P(c) \rightarrow Q(c))} \text{ cut}}$$

where  $C(n) = (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(\bar{n}, x)))$  and  $\chi(n)$  is:

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for  $C = \forall x(P(x) \rightarrow P(\hat{g}(\bar{n}, x)))$

For every  $n$  we get (by cut-elimination) a Herbrand sequent  $S_n^*$  (valid in  $\mathcal{E} = \{\hat{g}(0, x) = x, \hat{g}(s(n), x) = f(\hat{g}(n, x))\}$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} S_0^* &= \vdash (P(\hat{g}(0, c)) \rightarrow Q(c)) \rightarrow (P(c) \rightarrow Q(c)), \\ S_{n+1}^* &= (P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x)))\theta_0, \dots, (P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x)))\theta_n \vdash \\ &\quad P(\hat{g}(n+1, c)) \rightarrow Q(c) \rightarrow (P(c) \rightarrow Q(c)). \end{aligned}$$

for  $\theta_0 = \{x \leftarrow \hat{g}(n, 0)\}, \dots, \theta_n = \{x \leftarrow \hat{g}(n, c)\}$

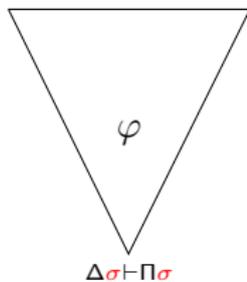
Herbrand substitution set  $\rightarrow$  Herbrand system:

$$\Theta_0 = \emptyset, \quad \Theta_{n+1} = \Theta_n \cup \{\theta_n\}.$$

## Beyond the Basic Example

- ▶ The existing schematic version of CERES is defined for proof schema with a **single free-parameter**.
- ▶ Constructing proof schema which use more than one free-parameter is possible.
- ▶ It can also be shown that multi-parameter proof schemata are provability equivalent to the LK-calculus for **Peano Arithmetic** [Cerna,2018] (**If we allow quantification of parameters**).
- ▶ Though, there does not exist a corresponding CERES method. This is currently being investigated.

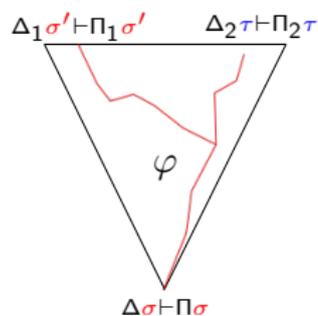
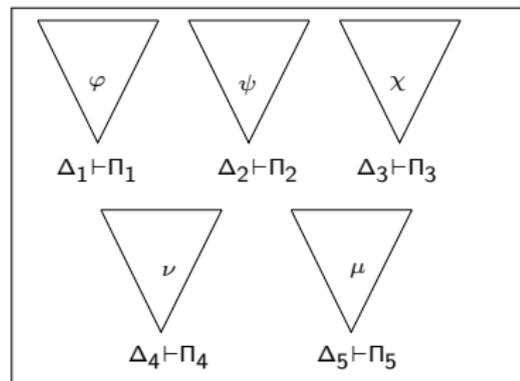
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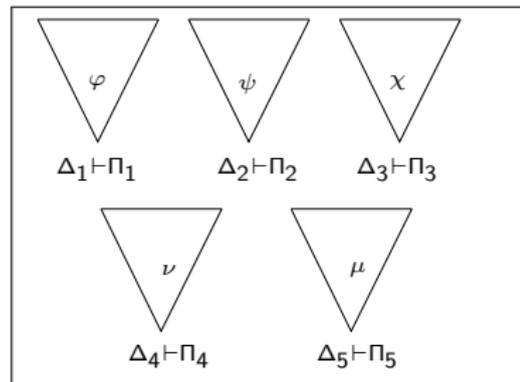
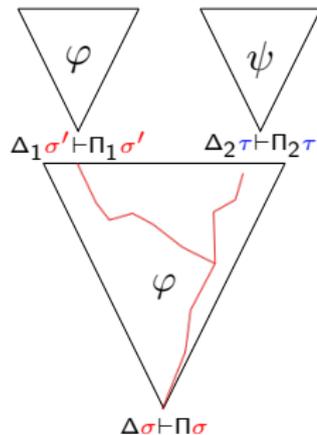
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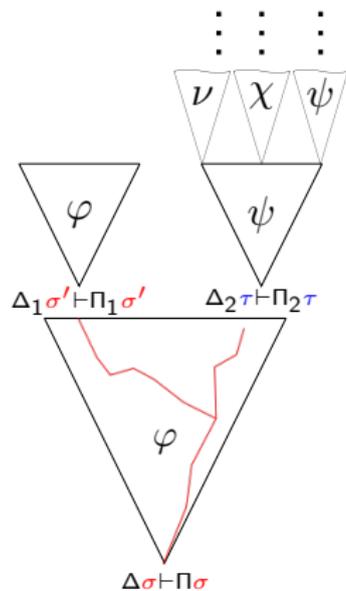
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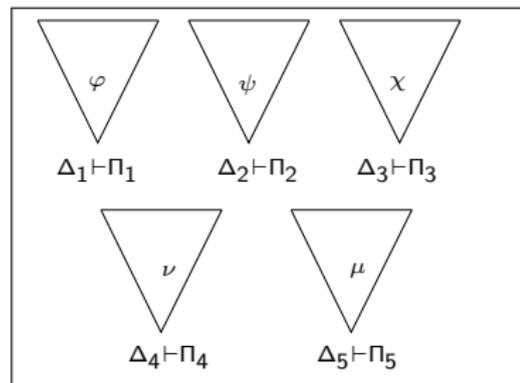
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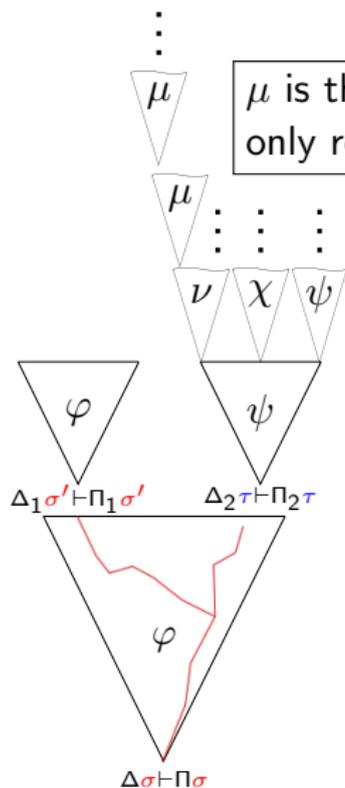


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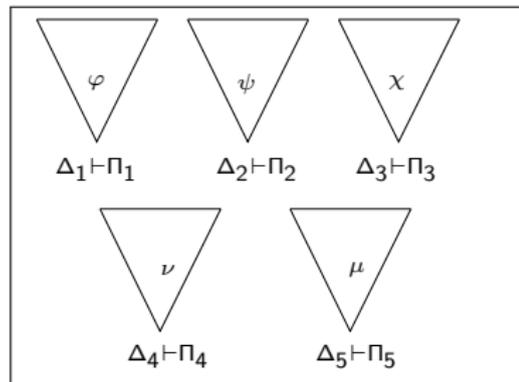
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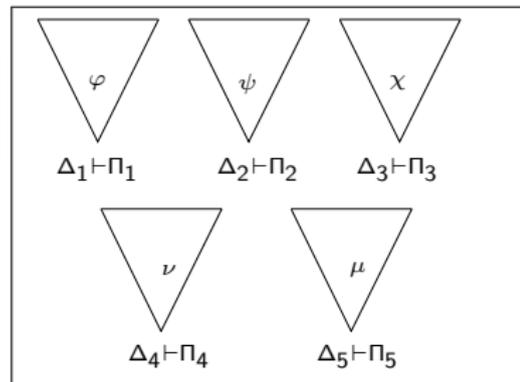
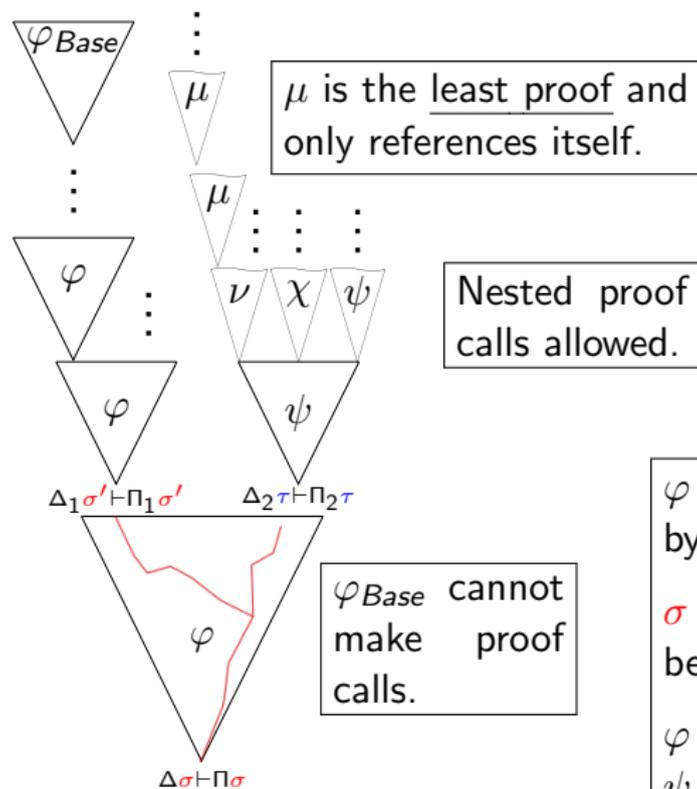


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## Problems with Schematic proof Construction

- ▶ While the above schematic proof construction works and is provability equivalent to **Peano arithmetic**, it does not help much with **proof analysis**.
- ▶ A sequence of **post-transformation proofs** may require a more expressive language than the one outlined above to describe it.
- ▶ Let us consider cut-elimination for schematic proofs before looking into the properties of this more expressive language.

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**Global cut-elimination** produces an intermediate representation of a formal proof's cut-structure.

- From this intermediate representation a new proof with a **trivial cut-structure** is produced.

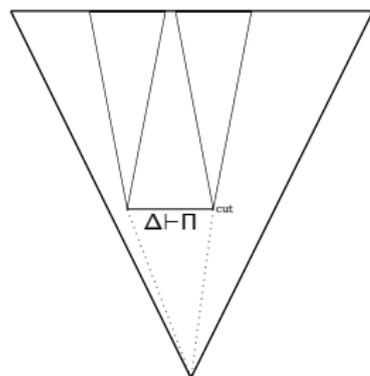
## Local Cut-elimination and Schematic Proofs

- No cut reduction rules exists for links.

$$\frac{\frac{(\varphi, \dots)}{C, \Delta \vdash \Gamma} \quad \frac{(\varphi_j, \dots)}{\Delta' \vdash \Gamma', C}}{\Delta, \Delta' \vdash \Gamma, \Gamma'} \text{ cut}$$

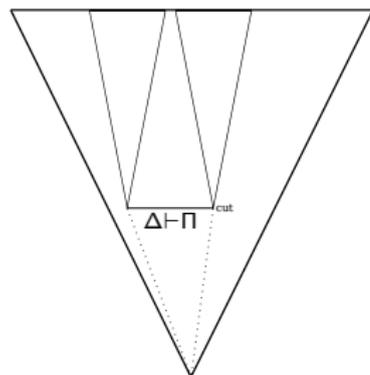
- When the call structure is non-recursive proof references can just be removed.
- However, recursive call structures block reduction of a cut formula's rank.
- Using a global approach we can extract the cut-structure as an **unsatisfiable negation normal form inductive definition**.

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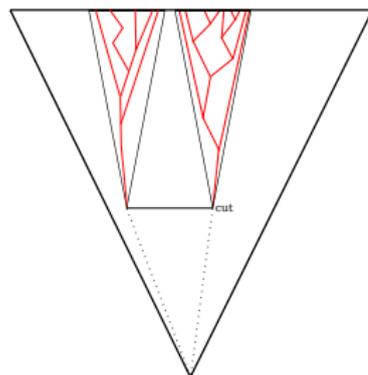


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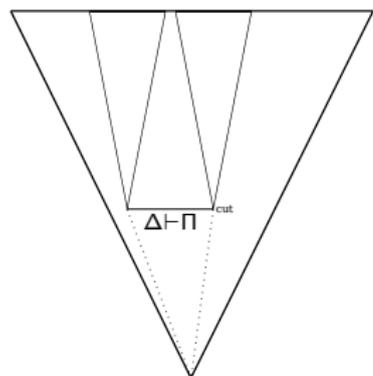


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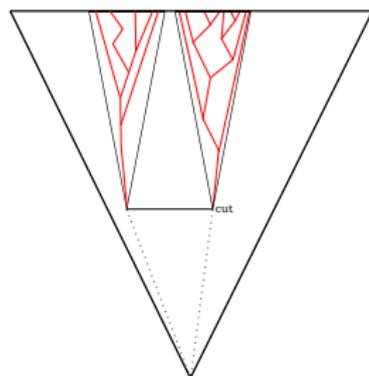


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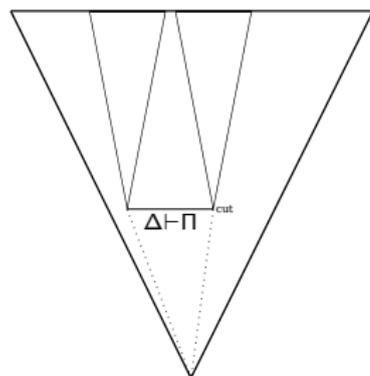


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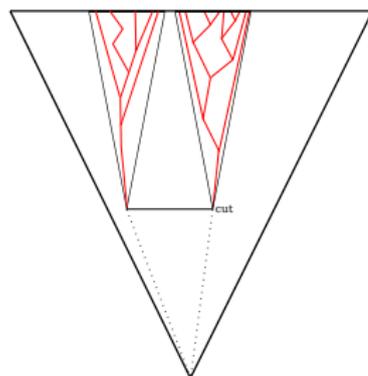
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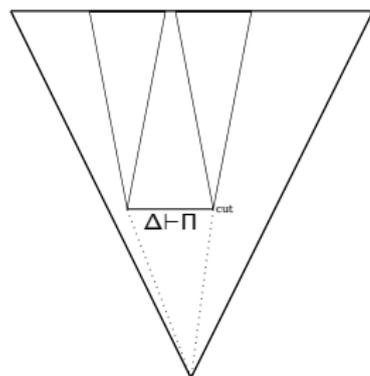
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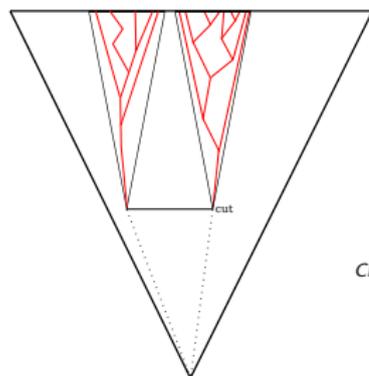
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## Refuting the NNF

- ▶ Note that refuting this NNF for every instance is complexity-wise equivalent to proving the inductive statement **using atomic cuts only**.
- ▶ Given that cut-elimination for calculi with an induction inference is usually not possible or not possible while retaining analyticity this alludes to the difficulty of the problem.
- ▶ Let us look at an example before considering how to represent it's refutation.

# Eventually Constant Statement (ECS)

- ▶ Consider a proof schema indexed by  $n$  of

$$\forall x \bigvee_{i=0}^n f(x) = i, \Delta \vdash \exists x \forall y (x \leq y \rightarrow f(x) = f(y))$$

- ▶ using a sequence of  $\Sigma_2$ -cuts

$$\exists x \forall y (((x \leq y) \Rightarrow n + 1 = f(y)) \vee f(y) < n + 1).$$

- ▶ This example was discussed in [Cerna and Leitsch 2016] where the proof was skolemized resulting in the end sequent

$$\forall x \bigvee_{i=0}^n f(x) = i, \Delta \vdash \exists x (x \leq g(x) \rightarrow f(x) = f(g(x))).$$

- ▶ Note that  $\Delta$  contains additional assumptions concerning  $f$ .

## The 2-repetition Statement

- ▶ As an exercise we can consider what happens when we interpret  $g$  as the successor function

$$\forall x \bigvee_{i=0}^n f(x) = i, \Delta' \vdash \exists x (f(x) = f(\text{suc}(x))),$$

- ▶ i.e. what cut formula and which axioms are needed for this statement to hold. The cut is weaker,

$$\exists x (f(x) = k \wedge f(\text{suc}(x)) = k) \vee \forall x (f(x) < k)$$

- ▶ and the axioms concerning  $f$  are simpler

$$f(\text{suc}(x)) < s(k) \vdash f(\text{suc}(x)) = k, f(x) < k$$

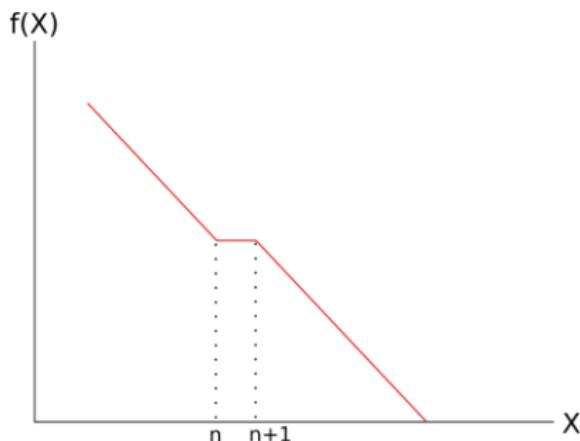
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# The 2-repetition Statement

- ▶ A function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is said to be 2-repeating if there exists at least two consecutive values  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $f(x) = f(y)$ .

## Assertion (2-repetition)

*Every total monotonically decreasing function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is at least 2-repeating.*



## Analysis of the 2-repetition Statement

- ▶ Analysis of **ECS** was already performed in [Cerna and Leitsch 2016], the **2-repetition Statement** is substantially weaker.
- ▶ While the inductive superposition prover of **N. Peltier** cannot find an invariant for ECS, it can find one for 2-repetition. [Leitsch et al. 2017] can be used for analysis.

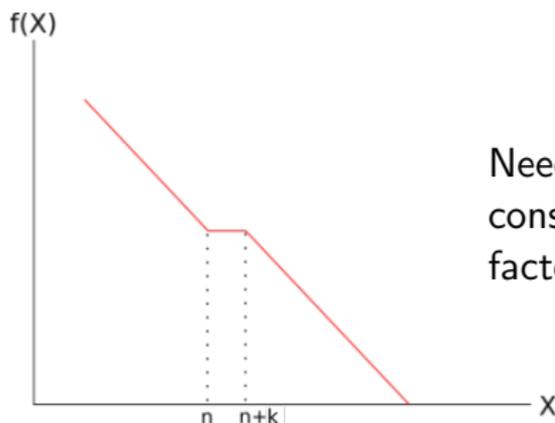
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% Proof 1 at 0.017 (+ 0.000) seconds.  
% Given clauses 73.  
  
% number of calls to fixpoint : 3  
S_init :  
  (51: [ EQ(v0,f(h(v1))) | LE(f(v1),v0) if n = s(v0) ].  
50: [ EQ(v0,f(v1)) | LE(f(v1),v0) if n = s(v0) ].  
33: [ PHI(v0,v1) if n = s(v0) ].  
)  
S_loop :  
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80: [ EQ(v0,f(v1)) | LE(f(v1),v0) if n = s(s(v0)) ].  
53: [ PHI(v0,v1) if n = s(s(v0)) ].  
)  
The empty clauses :  
(45: [ n = 0 ].  
81: [ n = s(0) ].  
112: [ n = s(s(0)) ].  
) max_rank 2
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# The k-repetition Statement

- ▶ A function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is said to be  $k$ -repeating if there exists at least  $k$  consecutive values  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $f(x_1) = \dots = f(x_k)$ .

## Assertion (k-repetition)

*Every total monotonically decreasing function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is at least  $k$ -repeating.*



Need to check all possible function constructions of which there are factorially many.

# Cut Structure of $k$ -Repetition as an Inductive Definition

$$\hat{O}(n, m) \implies \hat{D}(n, m) \wedge \hat{P}(n, m)$$

$$\hat{D}(n, 0) \implies \forall x (f(x) = \hat{S}(n, a) \vee f(x) < \hat{S}(n, a))$$

$$\hat{D}(n, s(m)) \implies \forall x (f(\hat{S}(s(m), x)) = \hat{S}(n, a) \vee f(x) < \hat{S}(n, a)) \wedge \hat{D}(n, m)$$

$$\hat{P}(0, m) \implies \forall x (\hat{C}(x, 0, m)) \wedge f(a) \neq 0$$

$$\hat{P}(s(n), m) \implies (\forall x (\hat{C}(x, s(n), m)) \wedge (\hat{T}(n, m)) \wedge \hat{P}(n, m))$$

$$\hat{C}(y, n, 0) \implies f(y) \neq \hat{S}(n, a)$$

$$\hat{C}(y, n, s(m)) \implies f(\hat{S}(s(m), y)) \neq \hat{S}(n, a) \vee \hat{C}(y, n, m)$$

$$\hat{T}(n, 0) \implies \forall x (f(x) \neq \hat{S}(s(n), a) \vee f(x) = \hat{S}(n, a) \vee f(x) < \hat{S}(n, a))$$

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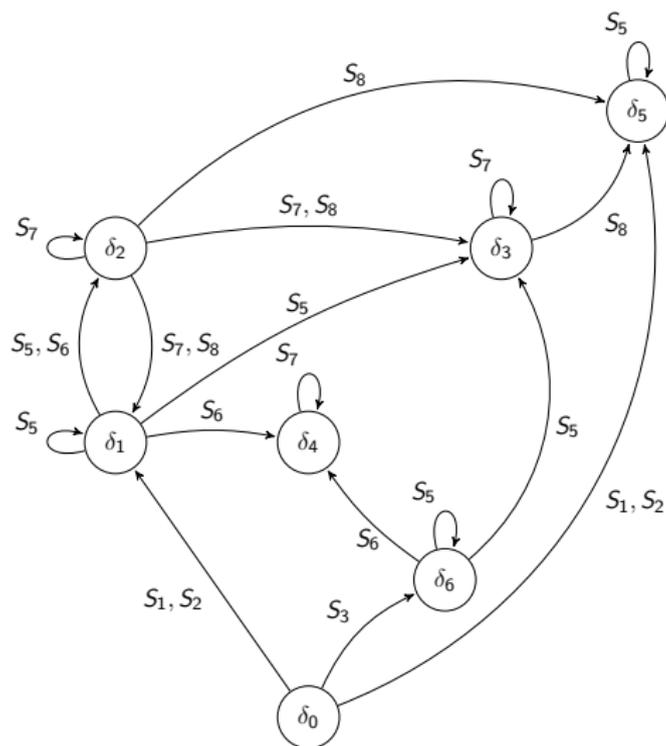
$$\hat{S}(0, y) \implies y$$

$$\hat{S}(s(n), y) \implies \text{suc}(\hat{S}(s(n), y))$$

## Analysis of the k-repetition Statement

- ▶ The k-repetition statement has **two independent parameters** which is beyond the capabilities of N. Peltier's superposition prover and thus beyond the analysis method of [Leitsch et al. 2017]
- ▶ While two parameters need not be problematic, in the case of the k-repetition **nested loops** are needed to build the refutation.
- ▶ The schematic proof construction method discussed earlier cannot describe such a refutation.
- ▶ A more flexible proof construction mechanism is needed.

# Call Structure of the Refutation



## A more flexible formalism

- ▶ Rather than developing a formalism for proof schema in particular we provide a general scaffolding for recursive object construction.
  - ▶ For example, Proof schemata, Resolution Refutations, Schematic Unifiers, Herbrand Systems, etc.
- ▶ The scaffolding provides a “structural semantics” for finite representability.
- ▶ This scaffolding may be decorated by objects which match its **structure**.
- ▶ So what is this scaffolding made of?

# Junctions

$$(\delta, \vec{t}_n)$$

- ▶ The above object is a junction,  $\delta$  is a symbol from a set of **symbols**  $\Delta$ , and  $\vec{t}_n$  is a tuple of numeric terms which may contain **parameters** and **primitive recursive functions**.
- ▶ Junctions whose tuples of numeric terms are of the same length are well ordered by  $<_n$ .
- ▶ Junctions differing in tuple length **must have different symbols**.
- ▶ Junctions can also be well-ordered by the symbols  $<_\Delta$  (**by tuple size**).
- ▶ We say  $p \triangleleft q$  if either  $q <_n p$  or  $p <_\Delta q$ .
- ▶ Note that  $\triangleleft$  is not **well founded**.

# Junctions

$(\delta, n, m)$

$(\delta_2, n, s(m))$

$(\delta_2, n, s(m), k, 0)$

$(\delta_3, n, s(m), k, 0)$

- ▶ The first two are valid Junctions.
- ▶ The third is not, same symbol as the second but different tuple length
- ▶ The fourth is also valid.
- ▶ Note, have an infinite set of parameters  $\mathcal{P}$ , a parameter assignment  $\sigma$  assigns a numeral to each parameter.
- ▶ The set of all parameter assignments is  $\mathcal{S}$ .

$$P_{S^*} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (A_1, S_1) \\ (A_2, S_2) \\ \dots \\ (A_n, S_n) \end{array} \right\}$$

- ▶ The  $A_i$  are sets of **junctions**.
- ▶ Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the set of **parameter assignments**,  $S^*$  is a partitioning of  $\mathcal{S}$  into disjoint sets  $S_1$  through  $S_n$ .
- ▶ If  $\sigma \in S_i$  then  $P_{S^*}(\sigma) = A_i$
- ▶ There is a special junction  $[P_{S^*}]$  s.t.  
 $\forall \sigma \in \mathcal{S}, [P_{S^*}] \in P_{S^*}(\sigma)$ , The **Source** of the flow.
- ▶ Note,  $\forall q \in A_i, q \neq [P_{S^*}]$  then  $[P_{S^*}] \triangleleft q$

## Example Flow

$$P_{S^*} = \left\{ \left( \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\delta_2, n, k), \\ (\delta_1, \hat{p}(n), s(k)), \\ (\delta_2, \hat{p}(n), s(k)), \\ (\delta_3, \hat{p}(n), s(k)) \end{array} \right\}, S_1 \right), \left( \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\delta_2, n, k), \\ (\delta_3, \hat{p}(n), s(k)) \end{array} \right\}, S_2 \right) \right\}$$

- ▶  $S^* = S_1 \cup S_2$  where  $S_1 = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{S} \ \& \ \sigma(n) \downarrow_{\omega} > 0\}$  and  $S_2 = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{S} \ \& \ \sigma(n) \downarrow_{\omega} = 0\}$ .
- ▶ If  $\sigma \in S_1$  then  $P_{S^*}(\sigma) = \{(\delta_2, n, k), (\delta_1, \hat{p}(n), s(k)), (\delta_2, \hat{p}(n), s(k)), (\delta_3, \hat{p}(n), s(k))\}$
- ▶  $[P_{S^*}] = (\delta_2, n, k)$
- ▶  $(\delta_2, n, k) \triangleleft_2 (\delta_3, \hat{p}(n), s(k))$  where  $\hat{p}$  is the predecessor function and  $\triangleleft_2$  is the lexicographical ordering.

## Connecting flows

- ▶ Let  $P_{S_1^*}$  and  $P_{S_2^*}$  be flows and  $\sigma$  a parameter assignment such that
  - ▶ there exists  $q \in P_{S_1^*}(\sigma)$  such that  $[P_{S_1^*}] \neq q$  and
  - ▶ there exists a parameter assignment  $\theta$  such that
  - ▶  $q\sigma = [P_{S_2^*}] \theta$  thenwe refer to the flows as **linked**.
- ▶ If a set of flows is completely linked together the result is a **call graph**.

# Call graph definition

## Definition

A finite set of flows  $\mathcal{G}$  is referred to as a call graph if for every  $P_{S_1^*} \in \mathcal{G}$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{S}^*$ ,  $\sigma \in S$ ,  $j \in P_{S_1^*}$  there exists a unique  $P_{S_2^*} \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $\theta \in \mathcal{S}$  s.t.  $\theta([P_{S_2^*}]) \downarrow_\omega = \sigma(j) \downarrow_\omega$ . We write  $flow(j, \sigma) = P_{S_2^*}$  and  $subst(j, \sigma) = \theta$ .

- ▶ Essentially in a call graph every Junction under every parameter assignment is a the source of some flow.

## Example Call Graph

- ▶  $\mathcal{G} = \{P_1, P_2\}$  is a call graph , where

$$P_1 = \{(\{(\delta, n), (\delta', n, p(n), n, 0)\}, \mathcal{S})\}$$

$$P_2 = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\{(\delta', n, m, k, w), (\delta', n, m, p(k), s(w))\}, S_1) , \\ (\{(\delta', n, m, k, w), (\delta', n, p(m), n, w)\}, S_2) , \\ (\{(\delta', n, m, k, w)\}, S_3) \end{array} \right\}$$

- ▶  $S_1 = \{\sigma \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{S}, \sigma(k) \downarrow_w > 0\}$ ,
- ▶  $S_2 = \{\sigma \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{S}, \sigma(k) \downarrow_w = 0 \ \& \ \sigma(m) \downarrow_w > 0\}$ ,
- ▶  $S_3 = \{\sigma \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{S}, \sigma(k) \downarrow_w = 0 \ \& \ \sigma(m) \downarrow_w = 0\}$
- ▶ Note that for  $\sigma \in S_3$   $|P_2(\sigma)|$  such parameter assignments are referred to as **sinks**.

## What does a call Graph define

- ▶ Starting from any parameter assignment a call graph provides a way to compute new parameter assignments until one reaches a sink.

$$[\sigma, \text{subst}(j_1, \sigma)], [\text{subst}(j_1, \sigma), \text{subst}(j_2, \text{subst}(j_1, \sigma))],$$

$$[\text{subst}(j_2, \text{subst}(j_1, \sigma)), \text{subst}(j_3, \text{subst}(j_2, \text{subst}(j_1, \sigma)))] , \dots$$

- ▶ Let us consider the above call graph and how we may apply it to a given parameter assignment.

$$\left[ \underbrace{\{n \leftarrow \alpha_1\}}_{\sigma}, \underbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow \alpha_1, m \leftarrow p(\alpha_1), \\ k \leftarrow \alpha_1, w \leftarrow 0 \end{array} \right\}}_{\theta_1} \right]$$

where  $j_1 = (\delta', n, p(n), n, 0)$ ,  $\text{flow}(j_1, \sigma) = P_2$ , and  $\text{Subst}(j_1, \sigma) = \theta_1$ .

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where  $j_2 = (\delta', n, m, p(k), s(w))$ ,  $flow(j_2, \theta_1) = P_2$ , and  $Subst(j_2, \theta_1) = \theta_2$ .

$$\left[ \overbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow \alpha_1, m \leftarrow p(\alpha_1), \\ k \leftarrow p(\alpha_1), w \leftarrow s(0) \end{array} \right\}}^{\theta_2}, \overbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow \alpha_1, m \leftarrow p(\alpha_1), \\ k \leftarrow p(p(\alpha_1)), w \leftarrow s(s(0)) \end{array} \right\}}^{\theta_3} \right]$$

where  $j_3 = (\delta', n, m, p(k), s(w))$ ,  $flow(j_3, \theta_2) = P_2$ , and  $Subst(j_3, \theta_2) = \theta_3$ .

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$$\left[ \overbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow \alpha_1, m \leftarrow p(\alpha_1), \\ k \leftarrow p^{\alpha_1}(\alpha_1), w \leftarrow s^{\alpha_1}(0) \end{array} \right\}}^{\theta_3}, \overbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow \alpha_1, m \leftarrow p(p(\alpha_1)), \\ k \leftarrow \alpha_1, w \leftarrow s^{\alpha_1}(0) \end{array} \right\}}^{\theta_4} \right]$$

$j_4 = (\delta', n, p(m), n, w)$ ,  $flow(j_4, \theta_4) = P_2$ , and  $Subst(j_4, \theta_3) = \theta_4$ .

$$\left[ \overbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow \alpha_1, m \leftarrow p_1^\alpha(\alpha_1), \\ k \leftarrow 0, w \leftarrow s^{(\alpha_1)^2}(0) \end{array} \right\}}^{\theta_4} \right]$$

Being that we have reached a sink at this Junction  $flow$  and  $Subst$  are only defined for the source of  $P_2$ .

# Call Graph Traces

- ▶ The Call graph discussed above results in a simple linear structure when applied to a **parameter assignment**.
- ▶ In general the application of a call graph to a parameter assignment may result in branching.
- ▶ To capture this structure we defined **Call Graph Traces**.
- ▶ A trace is just a tree where each node is labeled by the junction the call graph passed during application to a parameter assignment.

## Example: Branching Call Graph

- ▶ Consider the call graph  $\mathcal{G} = \{P_1, P_2\}$  where the flows are defined as follows:

$$P_1 = \{ (\{(\delta, n), (\delta, p(n)), (\delta', n, n)\}, S_1) , (\{(\delta, n)\}, S_2) \}$$

$$P_2 = \{ (\{(\delta', n, m), (\delta', n, p(m))\}, S'_1) , (\{(\delta', n, m)\}, S'_2) \}$$

- ▶  $S_1 = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{S} \ \& \ \sigma(n) \downarrow_{\omega} > 0\}$
- ▶  $S_2 = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{S} \ \& \ \sigma(n) \downarrow_{\omega} = 0\}$
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## Trace for non-branching Call Graph

$$T(\mathcal{G}, P_1, \{n \leftarrow 2\}) = [(\delta, 2), T(\mathcal{G}, P_2, \{n \leftarrow 2, m \leftarrow 1, k \leftarrow 2, w \leftarrow 0\})]$$

$$T\left(\mathcal{G}, P_2, \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow 2, m \leftarrow 1, \\ k \leftarrow 2, w \leftarrow 0 \end{array} \right\}\right) = \left[ (\delta', 2, 1, 2, 0), T\left(\mathcal{G}, P_2, \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow 2, m \leftarrow 1, \\ k \leftarrow 1, w \leftarrow 1 \end{array} \right\}\right) \right]$$

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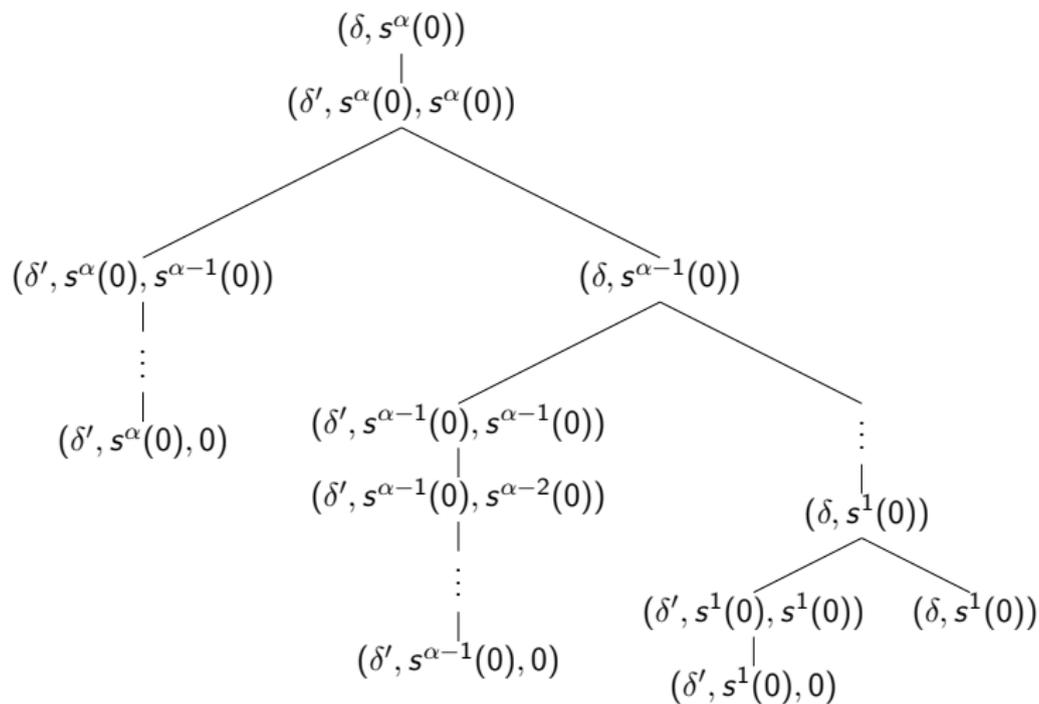
$$T\left(\mathcal{G}, P_2, \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow 2, m \leftarrow 0, \\ k \leftarrow 2, w \leftarrow 2 \end{array} \right\}\right) = \left[ (\delta', 2, 0, 2, 2), T\left(\mathcal{G}, P_2, \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \leftarrow 2, m \leftarrow 0, \\ k \leftarrow 1, w \leftarrow 3 \end{array} \right\}\right) \right]$$

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$[(\delta, 2), [(\delta', 2, 1, 2, 0), [(\delta', 2, 1, 1, 1), [(\delta', 2, 1, 0, 2), [(\delta', 2, 0, 2, 2), [(\delta', 2, 0, 1, 3), [(\delta', 2, 0, 0, 4), \emptyset]]]]]]]]]$

# Trace for branching Call Graph



# Trace Normalization

- ▶ Note that Traces seem to result in **finite trees** but we also mentioned that the order  $\triangleleft$  is not well founded.
- ▶ Fortunately finite call graphs use a well founded suborder of  $\triangleleft$

## Theorem

*Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a finite call graph,  $P_{S^*} \in \mathcal{G}$  a flow, and  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}$  a parameter assignment. Then  $T(\mathcal{G}, P_{S^*}, \sigma)$  always produces a finite trace.*

- ▶ while this isn't too surprising from what we have discussed so far call graphs may contain **mutually recursive calls**.
- ▶ This feature is essential for the refutation of the cut structure of the  $k$ -repetition statement.

# Mutual Calls

$$C_2 = \left\{ \left( \left( \begin{array}{l} (\delta_1, n, m, w, k, r, 0), \\ (\delta_1, n, m, p(w), s(k), r, 0), \\ (\delta_2, n, m, w, k, p(p(r)), 0), \\ (\delta_3, n, m, w, k, p(r), 0) \end{array} \right), S_5 \right), \left( \left( \begin{array}{l} (\delta_1, n, m, w, k, r, 0), \\ (\delta_4, n, m, 0, k, p(r), 0), \\ (\delta_2, n, m, 0, k, p(p(r)), 0) \end{array} \right), S_6 \right) \right\}$$

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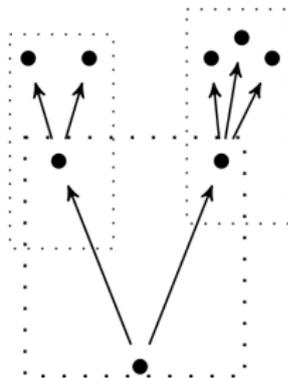
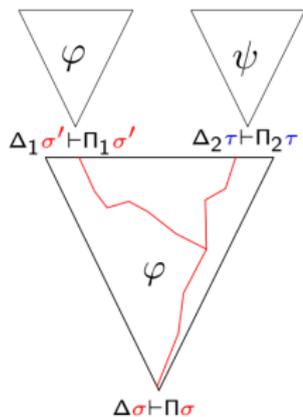
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## Decorating Traces with Proof Schemata

- ▶ Every derivation in a proof schema is associated with a **proof symbol**.
- ▶ Every derivation is associated with a **set of free parameters**.
- ▶ Every derivation has a set of **non-trivial leaves**(possibly empty)
- ▶ can use these properties to match derivations to **flows** and **junctions** contained in the flows.

# Decorating Traces with Proof Schemata





## Conclusion & Future work

- ▶ The formalism presented above can be used for finite representation of the resolution refutation need for proof analysis using CERES.
- ▶ Additionally, we can imagine a reverse resolution calculus
  - ▶ Given an unsatisfiable recursive clause set does there exists a refutation of the clause set using the given Call Graph.

This is currently being investigated.

Thank you for your time.