

# Lectures on Ordinal Analysis \*

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- (Shrewd cardinals) [Rathjen05b]
- (Well-foundedness proofs) Distinguished classes are introduced in [Buchholz75]. I have learnt it in [Jäger83]\* and its improved version in [Buchholz00]\*.

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## Plan

1.  $KP_\omega$
2. Rathjen's analysis of  $\Pi_3$ -reflection  
Well-foundedness proof in  $K\Pi_3$  (skipped)
3. First-order reflection
4. First-order reflection (contd.)
5.  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection
6.  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection (contd.)
7.  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection (contd.)
8.  $\Pi_1$ -collection
9.  $\Pi_1$ -collection (contd.)

An ordinal  $\alpha$  is said to be *recursive* iff there exists a recursive (computable) well ordering on  $\omega$  of type  $\alpha$ .  $\omega_1^{CK}$  (*Church-Kleene*  $\omega_1$ ) denotes the least non-recursive ordinal.

**Definition 0.1** 1.  $Prg[\prec, U] := \forall x[\forall y \prec x(y \in U) \rightarrow x \in U]$   
( $U$  is *progressive* with respect to  $\prec$ ).

2.  $TI[\prec, A] := Prg[\prec, A] \rightarrow \forall x A(x)$  for formulas  $A(x)$ , and  
 $TI[\prec, U] \Leftrightarrow Prg[\prec, U] \rightarrow \forall x U(x)$  (transfinite induction on  $\prec$ ).

3. Let  $\prec$  be a computable strict partial order on  $\omega$ . If  $\prec$  is well-founded, then let  $|n|_\prec := \sup\{|m|_\prec + 1 : m \prec n\}$ , and  $|\prec| := \sup\{|n|_\prec + 1 : n \in \omega\}$  (the order type of  $\prec$ ). Otherwise let  $|\prec| := \omega_1^{CK}$ .

**Definition 0.2** For a theory  $T$  comprising elementary recursive arithmetic EA the *proof-theoretic ordinal*  $|T|$  of  $T$  is defined by

$$|T| := \sup\{|\prec| : T \vdash TI[\prec, U] \text{ for some recursive well order } \prec\} \quad (1)$$

where  $U$  is a fresh predicate constant.

Now, most brutally speaking, the aim of the ordinal analysis is to compute and/or describe the proof-theoretic ordinals of natural theories, thereby measuring the proof-theoretic strengths of theories with respect to  $\Pi_1^1$ -consequences.

# 1 Ordinal analysis of $KP_\omega$

## 1.1 Kripke-Platek set theory

A fragment  $KP$  of Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory  $ZF$ , Kripke-Platek set theory, is introduced. Let  $\mathcal{L}_{set} = \{\in, =\}$  be the set-theoretic language. In this section we deal only with set-theoretic models  $\langle X; \in \upharpoonright (X \times X) \rangle$ , and the model is identified with the sets  $X$ .

**Definition 1.1** ( $\Delta_0, \Sigma_1, \Pi_2, \Sigma$ )

1. A set-theoretic formula is said to be a  $\Delta_0$ -formula if every quantifier occurring in it is *bounded* by a set. *Bounded quantifiers* is of the form  $\forall x \in u, \exists x \in u$ .
2. A formula of the form  $\exists x A$  with a  $\Delta_0$ -matrix  $A$  is a  $\Sigma_1$ -formula. Its dual  $\forall x A$  is a  $\Pi_1$ -formula.
3. The set of  $\Sigma$ -formulas [ $\Pi$ -formulas] is the smallest class including  $\Delta_0$ -formulas, closed under positive operations  $\wedge, \vee$ , bounded quantifications  $\forall x \in u, \exists x \in u$ , and existential (unbounded) quantification  $\exists x$  [universal (unbounded) quantification  $\forall x$ ], resp.  
For example  $\forall x \in u \exists y A$  ( $A \in \Delta_0$ ) is a  $\Sigma$ -formula but not a  $\Sigma_1$ -formula.
4. A formula of the form  $\forall x A$  with a  $\Sigma_1$ -matrix  $A$  is a  $\Pi_2$ -formula.

We see easily that  $\Delta_0$ -formulas are *absolute* in the sense that for any transitive sets  $X \subset Y$  ( $X$  is transitive iff  $\forall y \in X \forall x \in y (x \in X)$ ),  $X \models A[\bar{x}] \Leftrightarrow Y \models A[\bar{x}]$  for any  $\Delta_0$ -formula  $A$  and  $\bar{x} = x_1, \dots, x_n$  with  $x_i \in X$ .

**Definition 1.2** Axioms of  $KP$  are **Extensionality**  $\forall a, b [\forall x \in a (x \in b) \wedge \forall x \in b (x \in a) \rightarrow a = b]$ , **Null set** (the empty set  $\emptyset$  exists), **Pair**  $\forall x, y \exists a (x \in a \wedge y \in a)$ , **Union**  $\forall a \exists b \forall x \in a \forall y \in x (y \in b)$ , and the following three schemata.

**$\Delta_0$ -Separation** For any set  $a$  and any  $\Delta_0$ -formula  $A$ , the set  $b = \{x \in a : A(x)\}$  exists. Namely  $\exists b \forall x [x \in b \Leftrightarrow x \in a \wedge A(x)]$ .

**$\Delta_0$ -Collection**  $\forall x \in a \exists y A(x, y) \rightarrow \exists b \forall x \in a \exists y \in b A(x, y)$  for  $\Delta_0$ -formulas  $A$ .

**Foundation or  $\in$ -Induction**  $\forall x [\forall y \in x F(y) \rightarrow F(x)] \rightarrow \forall x F(x)$   
for arbitrary formula  $F$ .

$KP_\omega$  denotes  $KP$  plus Axiom of **Infinity**  $\exists x \neq \emptyset \forall y \in x [y \cup \{y\} \in x]$ .

## 1.2 Constructible hierarchy and admissible sets

The constructible hierarchy  $\{L_\alpha : \alpha \in ON\}$ .

1.  $L_0 := \emptyset$ .
2.  $L_{\alpha+1}$  is the collection of all definable sets in  $(L_\alpha, \in)$ .
3.  $L_\lambda := \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} L_\alpha$  for limits  $\lambda$ .
4.  $L := \bigcup_{\alpha \in ON} L_\alpha$ .

Note that  $L_{\omega\alpha} \models \text{KP} - (\Delta_0\text{-Collection})$  for  $\alpha > 0$ , and  $\omega \in L_{\omega\alpha}$  if  $\alpha > 1$ .

**Definition 1.3** 1. A transitive set  $A$  is *admissible* if  $(A; \in) \models \text{KP}$ .

2. An ordinal  $\alpha$  is *admissible* if  $L_\alpha$  is admissible.
3. A relation  $R$  on an admissible set  $A$  is *A-recursive* [*A-recursively enumerable*, *A-r.e.*] (*A-finite*) if  $R$  is  $\Delta_1$  [ $\Sigma_1$ ] ( $R \in A$ ), resp.
4. A function on an admissible set  $A$  is *A-recursive* if its graph is *A-r.e.*
5. An ordinal  $\alpha$  is *recursively regular* iff  $L_\alpha \models \text{KP}\omega$ .

Observe that an ordinal  $\alpha$  is recursively regular iff  $\alpha$  is a multiplicative principal number  $> \omega$ , and for any  $L_\alpha$ -recursive function  $f : \beta \rightarrow \alpha$  with a  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $\sup\{f(\gamma) : \gamma < \beta\} < \alpha$  holds.

**Theorem 1.4** ( $\Pi_2$ -Reflection on  $L$ )

For any  $\Sigma$ -predicate  $A$

$$\text{KP}\omega \vdash \forall x \in L \exists y \in L A(x, y) \rightarrow \exists z \in L \forall x \in z \exists y \in z A(x, y).$$

In particular for recursively regular ordinals  $\Omega$ ,

$$\forall \alpha < \Omega \exists \beta < \Omega A(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \exists \gamma < \Omega \forall \alpha < \gamma \exists \beta < \gamma A(\alpha, \beta).$$

**Lemma 1.5**  $|\text{KP}\omega| \leq |\text{KP}\omega|_\Sigma := \min\{\alpha : \forall A \in \Sigma (\text{KP}\omega \vdash A \Rightarrow L_\alpha \models A)\}$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $\text{KP}\omega$  proves  $\text{TI}[\prec, U]$  for a computable order  $\prec$  on  $\omega$ , where a unary predicate  $U$  may occur in Foundation schema, but not in  $\Delta_0$ -Separation nor  $\Delta_0$ -Collection. Then  $\forall n \in \omega \exists \alpha (\alpha = |n|_\prec = \sup\{|m|_\prec + 1 : m \prec n\})$  is provable in  $\text{KP}\omega$ . Therefore  $|\text{KP}\omega| \leq |\text{KP}\omega|_\Sigma$ .  $\square$

The *Mostowski collapsing*  $\text{clpse}(b)$  of a set  $b$  is defined by  $C_b(x) = \{C_b(y) : y \in x \cap b\}$  and  $\text{clpse}(b) := C_b(b) = \{C_b(x) : x \in b\}$ .

**Definition 1.6** We say that a class  $\mathcal{C}$  is  $\Pi_n$ -classes for  $n \geq 2$  if there exists a set-theoretic  $\Pi_n$ -formula  $F(\bar{a})$  with parameters  $\bar{a}$  such that for any transitive set  $P$  with  $\bar{a} \subset P$ ,  $P \in \mathcal{C} \Leftrightarrow P \models F(\bar{a})$  holds. For a whole universe  $L$ ,  $L \in \mathcal{C}$  denotes the formula  $F(\bar{a})$ . By a  $\Pi_0^1$ -class we mean a  $\Pi_n$ -class for some  $n \geq 2$ .

### 1.3 Buchholz' $\psi$ -functions

In this section we work in  $KP\omega$ .

We are in a position to introduce a collapsing function  $\psi_\sigma(\alpha) < \sigma$  (even if  $\alpha \geq \sigma$ ). The following definition is due to [Buchholz86].

**Definition 1.7** Let  $\Omega = \omega_1$  or  $\Omega = \omega_1^{CK}$ . Define simultaneously by recursion on ordinals  $\alpha < \Gamma_{\Omega+1}$  the classes  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(X)$  ( $X \subset \Omega$ ) and the ordinals  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  as follows.

$\mathcal{H}_\alpha(X)$  is the Skolem hull of  $\{0, \Omega\} \cup X$  under the functions  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ , and  $\beta \mapsto \psi_\Omega(\beta)$  ( $\beta < \alpha$ ).

Let

$$\psi_\Omega(\alpha) = \min(\{\Omega\} \cup \{\beta < \Omega : \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta) \cap \Omega \subset \beta\}) \quad (2)$$

Let us interpret  $\Omega = \omega_1$ . Then we see readily that  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(X)$  is countable for any countable  $X$ .

To see that the ordinal  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  could be defined, it suffices to show the existence of an ordinal  $\beta < \Omega$  such that  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta) \cap \Omega \subset \beta$ : let  $\beta = \sup\{\beta_n : n \in \omega\}$  with  $\beta_{n+1} = \min\{\beta < \Omega : \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta_n) \cap \Omega \subset \beta\}$  and  $\beta_0 = 0 < \Omega$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta) \cap \Omega \subset \beta$  since  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta) = \bigcup_n \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta_n)$ , and  $\beta < \Omega$  since  $\Omega > \omega$  is regular.

The ordinal  $\psi_{\Omega_1}(\varepsilon_{\Omega_1+1})$  is called the *Bachmann-Howard ordinal*.

**Proposition 1.8** 1.  $\alpha_0 \leq \alpha_1 \wedge X_0 \subset X_1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_0}(X_0) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_1}(X_1)$ .

2.  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(\psi_\Omega(\alpha)) \cap \Omega = \psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  and  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \notin \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\psi_\Omega(\alpha))$ .

3.  $\alpha_0 \leq \alpha \Rightarrow \psi_\Omega(\alpha_0) \leq \psi_\Omega(\alpha) \wedge \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_0}(\psi_\Omega(\alpha_0)) \subset \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\psi_\Omega(\alpha))$ .

4.  $\alpha_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\psi_\Omega(\alpha)) \cap \alpha \Rightarrow \psi_\Omega(\alpha_0) < \psi_\Omega(\alpha)$ . Therefore  
 $\alpha_0 \in \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_0}(\psi_\Omega(\alpha_0)) \wedge \alpha \in \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\psi_\Omega(\alpha)) \Rightarrow (\alpha_0 < \alpha \Leftrightarrow \psi_\Omega(\alpha_0) < \psi_\Omega(\alpha))$ .

5.  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  is a strongly critical number such that  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) < \Omega$ .

6.  $\gamma \in \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta) \Leftrightarrow \text{SC}(\gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\beta)$ , where  $\text{SC}(0) = \text{SC}(\Omega) = \emptyset$ ,  $\text{SC}(\gamma) = \{\gamma\}$  if  $\gamma \neq \Omega$  is strongly critical, and  $\text{SC}(\varphi\gamma\delta) = \text{SC}(\gamma + \delta) = \text{SC}(\gamma) \cup \text{SC}(\delta)$ .

7.  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(\psi_\Omega(\alpha)) = \mathcal{H}_\alpha(0)$  and  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) = \min\{\xi : \xi \notin \mathcal{H}_\alpha(0) \cap \Omega\}$ .

Proposition 1.8.7 means that  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  is the Mostowski's collapse of the point  $\Omega$  in the iterated Skolem hull  $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(0)$  of ordinals  $\{0, \Omega\}$  under addition  $+$  and the binary Veblen function  $\varphi$ . This suggests us that the ordinal  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  could be a substitute for  $\Omega$  in a restricted situation.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & & \psi_{\Omega_1}(\alpha) & & \Omega_1 & & \Omega_1 + \psi_{\Omega_1}(\alpha) \\ \text{[-----]} & & & & \text{[-----]} & & \dots \end{array}$$

## 1.4 Computable notation system $OT(\Omega)$ of ordinals

By Proposition 1.8.7 we have  $\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\Omega+1}}(0) = \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\Omega+1}}(0) = \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\Omega+1}}(\psi_{\Omega}(\varepsilon_{\Omega+1}))$ , and hence each ordinal below  $\psi_{\Omega}(\varepsilon_{\Omega+1})$  can be denoted by terms built up from  $0, \Omega, +, \varphi, \psi$ . Although the representation is not uniquely determined from ordinals, e.g.,  $\psi_{\Omega}(\psi_{\Omega}(\Omega)) = \psi_{\Omega}(\Omega)$ ,  $\alpha$  can be determined from the ordinal  $\psi_{\Omega}(\alpha)$  if  $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(0)$ , cf. Propositions 1.8.4 and 1.8.7. We can devise a recursive notation system  $OT(\Omega)$  of ordinals with this restriction in such a way that the following holds

**Proposition 1.9** *EA proves that  $(OT(\Omega), <)$  is a linear order.*

## 1.5 Ramified set theory

**Definition 1.10** *RS-terms  $t$  and their levels  $|t|$  are defined recursively as follows.*

1. For each ordinal  $\alpha \in OT(\Omega) \cap (\Omega + 1)$ ,  $L_{\alpha}$  is an RS-term of level  $|L_{\alpha}| = \alpha$ .
2. Let  $\theta(x, y_1, \dots, y_n)$  be a formula in the set-theoretic language, and  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  be RS-terms such that  $\max\{|s_i| : 1 \leq i \leq n\} < \alpha$ . Then the formal expression  $[x \in L_{\alpha} : \theta^{L_{\alpha}}(x, s_1, \dots, s_n)]$  is an RS-term of level  $|[x \in L_{\alpha} : \theta^{L_{\alpha}}(x, s_1, \dots, s_n)]| = \alpha$ .

*RS* denotes the set of all RS-terms.

Let  $\theta(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be a formula such that each quantifier is bounded by a variable  $y$ ,  $Qx \in y$ , all free variables occurring in  $\theta$  are among the list  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ , and each  $x_i$  occurs freely in  $\theta$ . An *RS-formula* is obtained from such a formula  $\theta(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  by substituting RS-terms  $t_i$  for each  $x_i$ .

Let  $k(L_{\alpha}) := \{\alpha\}$ ,  $k([x \in L_{\alpha} : \theta^{L_{\alpha}}(x, s_1, \dots, s_n)]) = \{\alpha\} \cup \bigcup_{i \leq n} k(s_i)$  and

$$k(\theta(t_1, \dots, t_n)) := \bigcup_{i \leq n} k(t_i), \quad |\theta(t_1, \dots, t_n)| := \max\{|t_1|, \dots, |t_n|, 0\}.$$

The bound  $L_{\Omega}$  in  $\exists x \in L_{\Omega}$  and  $\forall x \in L_{\Omega}$  is the replacements of the unbounded quantifiers  $\exists$  and  $\forall$ , resp.

**Definition 1.11** Let  $s, t$  be RS-terms with  $|s| < |t|$ .

$$(s \dot{\in} t) := \begin{cases} B(s) & t \equiv [x \in L_{\alpha} : B(x)] \\ \top & t \equiv L_{\alpha} \end{cases}$$

where  $\top$  denotes a true literal, e.g.,  $\emptyset \notin \emptyset$ .

We assign disjunctions or conjunctions to sentences as follows. When a disjunction  $\bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$  [a conjunction  $\bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$ ] is assigned to  $A$ , we denote  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$  [ $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$ ], resp.

**Definition 1.12** 1.  $(A_0 \vee A_1) := \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$  and  $(A_0 \wedge A_1) := \bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$  with  $J := 2$ .

2.  $(a \in b) := \bigvee (t \dot{\in} b \wedge t = a)_{t \in J}$  and  $(a \notin b) := \bigwedge (t \dot{\in} b \rightarrow t \neq a)_{t \in J}$  with  $J := \text{Trm}(|b|) := \{t \in RS : |t| < |b|\}$ .

3. Let  $a, b$  be set terms.  
 $(a \neq b) := \bigvee (\neg A_i)_{i \in J}$  and  $(a = b) := \bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$  with  $J := 2$  and  $A_0 := (\forall x \in a(x \in b))$ ,  $A_1 := (\forall x \in b(x \in a))$ .

4.  $\exists x \in b A(x) := \bigvee (t \dot{\in} b \wedge A(t))_{t \in J}$  and  $\forall x \in b A(x) := \bigwedge (t \dot{\in} b \rightarrow A(t))_{t \in J}$  with  $J := \text{Trm}(|b|)$ .

**Lemma 1.13**  $\forall i \in J (k(i) \subset k(A_i) \subset k(A) \cup k(i))$  for  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$ , where  $k(0) = k(1) = \emptyset$ .

The rank  $\text{rk}(A), \text{rk}(a) < \Omega + \omega$  of RS-formulas  $A$  and RS-terms  $a$  are defined so that the followings hold for any formula  $A$ .

**Proposition 1.14** 1.  $\text{rk}(A) \in \{\omega | \mathcal{A}| + n : n \in \omega\}$  for RS-terms and RS-formulas  $A$ .

2.  $\text{rk}(B(t)) \in \{\omega | t| + n : n \in \omega\} \cup \{\text{rk}(B(L_0))\}$ .

3. Let  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$ . Then  $\forall i \in J (\text{rk}(A_i) < \text{rk}(A))$ .

**Definition 1.15** 1. Let  $B(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be a  $\Delta_0$ -formula, and  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in RS$  be  $|a_i| < \Omega$ . Then  $B(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is a  $\Delta(\Omega)$ -formula.

2. Let  $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be a  $\Sigma$ -formula, and  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in RS$  be  $|a_i| < \Omega$ . Then  $A^{(L_\Omega)}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is a  $\Sigma(\Omega)$ -formula, where for RS-terms  $c$ ,  $A^{(c)}$  denotes the result of replacing unbounded existential quantifiers  $\exists x(\dots)$  by  $\exists x \in c(\dots)$ .

3. Let  $B \equiv A^{(L_\Omega)}$  be a  $\Sigma(\Omega)$ -formula, and  $\alpha \in OT(\Omega) \cap \Omega$ . Then  $B^{(\alpha, \Omega)} \equiv A^{(L_\alpha)}$ . For  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma(\Omega)$ ,  $\Gamma^{(\alpha, \Omega)} := \{B^{(\alpha, \Omega)} : B \in \Gamma\}$ .

Let us define a derivability relation  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$  for finite sets  $\Theta$  of ordinals,  $\gamma, a < \varepsilon_{\Omega+1}$ ,  $b < \Omega + \omega$  and RS-sequents, i.e., finite sets of RS-formulas  $\Gamma$ .

**Definition 1.16**  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$  holds if

$$\{\gamma, a, b\} \cup k(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \quad (3)$$

and one of the following cases holds:

(V) There are  $A \in \Gamma$  such that  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$ , an  $i \in J$  with

$$|i| < a \quad (4)$$

and an  $a(i) < a$  for which  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a(i)} \Gamma, A_i$  holds.

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a(i)} \Gamma, A_i}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{V}) \quad (|i| < a)$$

( $\wedge$ ) There is an  $A \in \Gamma$  such that  $A \simeq \bigwedge_{i \in J} (A_i)$ , and for each  $i \in J$ , there is an  $a(i)$  such that  $a(i) < a$  for which  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(i)] \vdash_b^{a(i)} \Gamma, A_i$  holds.

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(i)] \vdash_b^{a(i)} \Gamma, A_i\}_{i \in J}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} (\wedge)$$

(cut) There are  $C$  and  $a_0 < a$  such that  $\text{rk}(C) < b$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} C, \Gamma$ .

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} C, \Gamma (\text{rk}(C) < b)}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} (\text{cut})$$

( $\Delta_0(\Omega)$ -Coll)  $b \geq \Omega$ , and there are a formula  $C \in \Sigma(\Omega)$  and an  $a_0 < a$  such that  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, C$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\alpha\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C^{(\alpha, \Omega)}$  for every  $\alpha < \Omega$ .

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, C \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\alpha\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \neg C^{(\alpha, \Omega)}, \Gamma\}_{\alpha < \Omega}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} (\Delta_0(\Omega)\text{-Coll})$$

**Lemma 1.17** (Tautology)  $\mathcal{H}_0[\mathbf{k}(A)] \vdash_0^{2d} \neg A, A$  with  $d = \text{rk}(A)$ .

**Lemma 1.18** (Inversion)

$\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma, A \Rightarrow \forall i \in J (\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(i)] \vdash_b^a \Gamma, A_i)$  for  $A \simeq \bigwedge_{i \in J} (A_i)$ .

**Lemma 1.19** (Boundedness) Let  $a \leq \beta \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \Omega$  and  $\Lambda \subset \Sigma(\Omega)$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma, \Lambda \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma, \Lambda^{(\beta, \Omega)}$ .

**Lemma 1.20** (Embedding)

Let  $\Gamma[\vec{x} := \vec{a}]$  ( $\vec{a} \subset RS$ ) denote a closed instance of a sequent  $\Gamma$  with restriction of unbounded quantifiers to  $\mathbf{L}_\Omega$ . Assume  $\text{KP}\omega \vdash \Gamma$ . Then

$$\exists m, l < \omega \forall \vec{a} \subset RS [\mathcal{H}_0[\mathbf{k}(\vec{a})] \vdash_{\Omega+m}^{\Omega+l} \Gamma[\vec{x} := \vec{a}]]$$

where  $\mathbf{k}(\vec{a}) = \mathbf{k}(a_1) \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{k}(a_n)$  for  $\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .

Let  $\theta_c(a)$  be the  $c$ -th iterate of  $\theta_1(a) = \omega^a$ .  $\theta_0(a) = a$ ,  $\theta_{c+d}(a) = \theta_c(\theta_d(a))$ , and  $\theta_{\omega^c}(a) = \varphi_c(a)$ .

**Lemma 1.21** (Predicative Cut-elimination)

$\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{b+c}^a \Gamma \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{\theta_c(a)} \Gamma$  if  $\neg(b < \Omega \leq b+c)$ .

**Theorem 1.22** (Collapsing)

Suppose

$$\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\Omega(\gamma)) \tag{5}$$

for a finite set  $\Theta$  of ordinals, and  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma(\Omega)$ . Then for  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^a$  and  $\beta = \psi_\Omega(\hat{a})$

$$\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\Omega^a \Gamma \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta] \vdash_\beta^\beta \Gamma.$$



**Proof.** This is seen by induction on  $a$ . Observe that  $\mathbf{k}(\Gamma) \cup \{\beta\} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\hat{\alpha}+1}[\Theta]$  by  $\gamma < \hat{\alpha} + 1$  and (3).

**Case 1.** The last inference is a  $(\bigvee)$ .

Let  $A \in \Gamma$  be such that  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$ , and for an  $i \in J$  and an  $a(i) < a$

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a(i)} \Gamma, A_i}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^a \Gamma} (\bigvee)$$

By IH it suffices to show  $|i| < \psi_\Omega(\hat{a})$  for (4). We can assume  $\mathbf{k}(i) \subset \mathbf{k}(A_i)$ . Then  $|i| \in \mathbf{k}(A_i) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\Omega(\gamma))$  by (3) and the assumption (5). On the other hand we have  $|i| < \Omega$ . Hence  $|i| \in \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}}(\psi_\Omega(\hat{a})) \cap \Omega = \psi_\Omega(\hat{a})$ .

**Case 2.** The last inference is a  $(\bigwedge)$ .

Let  $A \in \Gamma$  be such that  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$ , and for each  $i \in J$ , there are  $a(i) < a$  such that

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(i)] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a(i)} \Gamma, A_i\}_{i \in J}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^a \Gamma} (\bigwedge)$$

By IH it suffices to show that  $\forall i \in J (\mathbf{k}(i) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\Omega(\gamma)))$ . For example consider the case when  $A \equiv (\forall x \in u B(x))$  for a set term  $u$ . Then  $J = \{t \in RS : |t| < |u|\}$ . Since  $A$  is a  $\Sigma(\Omega)$ -sentence, we have  $|a| < \Omega$ . On the other hand we have  $|u| \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  for  $|u| = \max \mathbf{k}(u)$ , and hence  $\mathbf{k}(i) \subset |u| \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\Omega(\gamma)) \cap \Omega = \psi_\Omega(\gamma)$  for any  $i \in J$ .

**Case 3.** The last inference is a  $(\Delta_0(\Omega)\text{-Coll})$ .

There are a sentence  $C \in \Sigma(\Omega)$  and an  $a_0 < a$  such that

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a_0} \Gamma, C \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\alpha\}] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a_0} \neg C^{(\alpha, \Omega)}, \Gamma\}_{\alpha < \Omega}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^a \Gamma} (\Delta_0(\Omega)\text{-Coll})$$

Let  $\hat{a}_0 = \gamma + \omega^{a_0}$  and  $\beta_0 = \psi_\Omega(\hat{a}_0)$ . IH yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_0}^{\beta_0} \Gamma, C$ . Boundedness 1.19 yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_0}^{\beta_0} \Gamma, C^{(\beta_0, \Omega)}$ , where  $\beta_0 \in \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta]$ . On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\beta_0\}] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a_0} \neg C^{(\beta_0, \Omega)}, \Gamma$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a_0} \neg C^{(\beta_0, \Omega)}, \Gamma$ . IH yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0 + \omega^{a_0} + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_1} \neg C^{(\beta_0, \Omega)}, \Gamma$ , where  $\beta_1 = \psi_\Omega(\hat{a}_0 + \omega^{a_0})$  with  $\hat{a}_0 + \omega^{a_0} = \gamma + \omega^{a_0} + \omega^{a_0} < \hat{a}$ . A (*cut*) with  $\text{rk}(C^{(\beta_0, \Omega)}) < \beta$  yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma$ .

**Case 4.** The last inference is a (*cut*).

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^{a_0} C, \Gamma}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^a \Gamma} (\text{cut})$$

We obtain  $\text{rk}(C) < \Omega$ , and  $\text{rk}(C) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \Omega \subset \psi_\Omega(\gamma) \leq \beta$ . IH followed by a (*cut*) yields the lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.23** (Truth)

If  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\Omega}^a \Gamma$  with  $\Gamma \subset \Delta(\Omega)$ , then  $L_\Omega \models \Gamma$ .

**Theorem 1.24**  $\text{KP}\omega \vdash \Gamma$  and  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma(\Omega_1) \Rightarrow \exists m < \omega [L_\Omega \models \Gamma^{(\psi_\Omega(\omega_m(\Omega+1)), \Omega)}]$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\text{KP}\omega \vdash \Gamma$  for a set  $\Gamma$  of  $\Sigma$ -sentences. By Embedding 1.20 pick an  $m < \omega$  such that  $\mathcal{H}_0[\emptyset] \vdash_{\Omega+m}^{\Omega+m} \Gamma$ . Predicative Cut-elimination 1.21 yields  $\mathcal{H}_0[\emptyset] \vdash_\Omega^a \Gamma$  for  $a = \omega_m(\Omega + m)$ . Let  $\beta = \psi_\Omega(\hat{a})$  with  $\hat{a} = \omega^a = \omega_{m+1}(\Omega + m)$ . We then obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\emptyset] \vdash_\beta^\beta \Gamma$  by Collapsing 1.22, and  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\emptyset] \vdash_\beta^\beta \Gamma^{(\beta, \Omega)}$  by Boundedness 1.19. We see  $L_\Omega \models \Gamma^{(\beta, \Omega)}$  from Truth 1.23. From  $\beta < \psi_\Omega(\omega_{m+2}(\Omega + 1))$  and the persistency of  $\Sigma$ -formulas, we conclude  $L_\Omega \models \Gamma^{(\psi_\Omega(\omega_{m+2}(\Omega+1)), \Omega)}$ .  $\square$

## 1.6 Well-foundedness proof in $\text{KP}\omega$

In this subsection  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \dots$  range over ordinal terms in  $OT(\Omega)$ , and  $<$  denotes the relation between ordinal terms defined in Definition ???. An ordinal term  $\alpha$  is identified with the set  $\{\beta \in OT(\Omega) : \beta < \alpha\}$ . For ordinal terms  $\alpha, \beta$ , ordinal terms  $\alpha + \beta$  and  $\omega^\alpha$  are defined trivially.

In this subsection we show that the theory ID for non-iterated positive elementary inductive definitions on  $\mathbb{N}$  proves the fact that the relation  $<$  on  $OT(\Omega)$  is well-founded up to each  $\alpha < \psi_\Omega(\varepsilon_{\Omega+1})$ .

**Theorem 1.25** For each  $n < \omega$

$$\text{ID} \vdash \text{TI}[\langle \downarrow \psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\Omega + 1)), B \rangle]$$

for any formula  $B$  in the language  $\mathcal{L}(\text{ID})$ .

$\text{Acc}$  denotes the accessible part of  $<$  in  $OT(\Omega)$ , which is defined in ID as the least fixed point  $P_{\mathcal{A}}$  of the operator  $\mathcal{A}(X, \alpha) := \alpha \subset X \Leftrightarrow (\forall \beta < \alpha (\beta \in X))$ . It suffices to show the following, which is equivalent to Theorem 1.25.

**Theorem 1.26** For each  $\alpha < \psi_\Omega(\varepsilon_{\Omega+1})$ ,  $\text{ID} \vdash \alpha \in \text{Acc}$ .

The least fixed point  $\text{Acc}$  enjoys  $\forall \alpha (\alpha \subset \text{Acc} \rightarrow \alpha \in \text{Acc})$ , and  $\forall \alpha (\alpha \subset F \rightarrow \alpha \in F) \rightarrow \text{Acc} \subset F$ . From these we see easily that  $\text{Acc}$  is closed under  $+$ ,  $\varphi$  besides  $0 \in \text{Acc}$ . Hence we obtain  $\Gamma_0 = \psi_\Omega(0) \in \text{Acc}$ . Likewise  $\Gamma_1 = \psi_\Omega(1) \in \text{Acc}$  follows. To prove  $\psi_\Omega(\Omega) \in \text{Acc}$ , we need to show  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in \text{Acc}$  for any  $\alpha < \Omega$  such that  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  is an ordinal term, i.e.,  $G(\alpha) < \alpha$ . This means that when  $\psi_\Omega(\beta)$  occurs in  $\alpha$ , then  $\beta < \alpha$  holds. Thus we have a chance to prove inductively that  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in \text{Acc}$ . The ordinal term  $\alpha$  is built from  $0$ ,  $\Omega$  and some ordinal terms  $\psi_\Omega(\beta)$  with  $\beta < \alpha$  by  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ . Let us assume that each of ordinals  $\psi_\Omega(\beta) < \Omega$  occurring in  $\alpha$  is in  $W_0 = \text{Acc} \cap \Omega$ , and denote the set of such ordinals  $\alpha$  by  $M_1$ . Though we don't have  $\Omega \in \text{Acc}$  in hand (since this means that  $OT(\Omega) \cap \Omega$  is well-founded, which is the fact we are going to prove),  $\Omega$  is in the accessible part  $W_1$  of the set  $M_1$ . It turns out that  $W_1$  is progressive on  $M_1$ , and  $\Omega \in W_1$ . Moreover  $\omega^{\Omega+1} \in W_1$  is seen as for the jump set for epsilon numbers. In this way we see that  $\alpha \in W_1$ , i.e.,  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in W_0$  for each  $\alpha < \varepsilon_{\Omega+1}$ .

Let  $\text{SC}(\alpha)$  denote the set of strongly critical parts of  $\alpha$  defined in Proposition 1.8.6, and let  $\text{SC}_\Omega(\alpha) = \text{SC}(\alpha) \cap \Omega$ .

**Definition 1.27**  $M_1 = \{\alpha \in OT(\Omega) : SC_\Omega(\alpha) \subset W_0\}$ .

**Proposition 1.28**  $G(\beta) < \alpha \Rightarrow SC_\Omega(\beta) < \psi_\Omega(\alpha)$  for  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in OT(\Omega)$ .

**Proof.** By induction on the length of ordinal terms  $\beta$ . Assume  $G(\beta) < \alpha$ . By IH we can assume  $\beta = \psi_\Omega(\gamma)$ . Then  $\gamma \in G(\beta)$  and  $SC_\Omega(\beta) = \{\beta\}$ . Hence  $\gamma < \alpha$  and  $\beta < \psi_\Omega(\alpha)$ .  $\square$

In what follows we work in ID except otherwise stated.

**Lemma 1.29**  $M_1 \cap \Omega = W_0$ .

$$\mathcal{A}(X) := \{\alpha \in M_1 : M_1 \cap \alpha \subset X\}.$$

**Proposition 1.30** For each formula  $F$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(F) \subset F \rightarrow \Omega \in F$ .

**Proof.** Assuming  $\mathcal{A}(F) \subset F$ , we see  $\alpha \in W_0 \Rightarrow \alpha \in F$  by induction on  $\alpha \in W_0$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 1.31** For each formula  $F$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(F) \subset F \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(j[F]) \subset j[F]$ , where  $j[F] := \{\beta \in OT(\Omega) : \forall \alpha (M_1 \cap \alpha \subset F \rightarrow M_1 \cap (\alpha + \omega^\beta) \subset F)\}$ .

**Lemma 1.32** For each formula  $F$  and each  $n < \omega$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(F) \subset F \rightarrow \omega_n(\Omega + 1) \in F$ .

$$\alpha \in W \Leftrightarrow (\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in OT(\Omega) \rightarrow \psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in W_0).$$

**Lemma 1.33**  $\mathcal{A}(W) \subset W$ .

**Proof.** Assume  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}(W)$  and  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in OT(\Omega)$ . Then  $\alpha \in M_1$  and  $M_1 \cap \alpha \subset W$ . We show

$$\gamma < \psi_\Omega(\alpha) \rightarrow \gamma \in W_0$$

by induction on the length of ordinal terms  $\gamma$ . We can assume that  $\gamma = \psi_\Omega(\beta)$ . Then  $\beta < \alpha$ . We see  $\beta \in M_1$  from IH. Therefore  $\beta \in M_1 \cap \alpha \subset W$ , which yields  $\gamma = \psi_\Omega(\beta) \in W_0$ . Therefore  $\psi_\Omega(\alpha) \in W_0$ .  $\square$

Let us show Theorem 1.26. We show that ID proves  $\psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\Omega + 1)) \in W_0$  for each  $n < \omega$ . By Lemmas 1.32 and 1.33 we obtain  $\omega_n(\Omega + 1) \in W$ . Thus  $\psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\Omega + 1)) \in W_0$  by the definition of  $W$ .

## 2 Rathjen's analysis of $\Pi_3$ -reflection

Given an analysis of  $KP\omega$  for a single recursively regular ordinal, it is not hard to extend it to an analysis of theories of recursively regular ordinals of a given order type, e.g., to  $KP\ell$ , or equivalently to  $\Pi_1^1\text{-CA+BI}$ . Or to an iteration of recursively regularities in another manner. Specifically an ordinal analysis of  $KPM$  for recursively Mahlo ordinals is not an obstacle.

Let us introduce a  $\Pi_i$ -recursively Mahlo operation  $RM_i$  and its iterations. A  $\Pi_i$ -recursively Mahlo operation  $RM_i$  for  $2 \leq i < \omega$ , is defined through a universal  $\Pi_i$ -formula  $\Pi_i(a)$  such that for each  $\Pi_i$ -formula  $\varphi(x)$  there exists a natural number  $n$  such that  $\text{KP} \vdash \forall x[\varphi(x) \leftrightarrow \Pi_i(\langle n, x \rangle)]$ . Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a collection of sets.

$$P \in RM_i(\mathcal{X}) \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \forall b \in P [P \models \Pi_i(b) \rightarrow \exists Q \in \mathcal{X} \cap P (b \in Q \models \Pi_i(b))]$$

(read:  $P$  is  $\Pi_i$ -reflecting on  $\mathcal{X}$ .)

Let  $RM_i = RM_i(V)$ , and  $V$  is  $\Pi_i$ -reflecting if  $V \in RM_i$ . Under the axiom  $V = L$  of constructibility,  $V \in RM_2$  iff  $V \models \text{KP}\omega$ , and  $V \in RM_2(RM_2)$  iff  $V$  is *recursively Mahlo* universe. When  $V = L_\sigma$ , the ordinal  $\sigma$  is recursively Mahlo ordinal.

Let  $\text{KPM}$  denote a set theory for recursively Mahlo universes. For an ordinal analysis of  $\text{KPM}$ , it suffices for us to have two step collapsings  $\alpha \mapsto \sigma = \psi_M(\alpha) \in RM_2$  and  $(\sigma, \beta) \mapsto \psi_\sigma(\beta)$ .

Assume that  $P \in \mathcal{X}$  is given by a  $\Delta_0$ -formula. Then there exists a  $\Pi_{i+1}$ -formula  $rm_i$  such that for any non-empty transitive sets  $P \in V \cup \{V\}$ ,  $P \in RM_i(\mathcal{X}) \leftrightarrow rm_i^P$ , where  $rm_i^P$  denotes the result of restricting unbounded quantifiers in  $rm_i$  to  $P$ .

An iteration of  $RM_i$  along a definable relation  $\prec$  is defined as follows.

$$P \in RM_i(a; \prec) \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad a \in P \in \bigcap \{RM_i(RM_i(b; \prec)) : b \in P \models b \prec a\}.$$

Assume that  $b \prec a$  is given by a  $\Sigma_1$ -formula. Then there exists a  $\Pi_{i+1}$ -formula  $rm_i(a, \prec)$  such that for any non-empty transitive sets  $P \in V \cup \{V\}$  and  $a \in P$ ,  $P \in RM_i(a; \prec) \leftrightarrow rm_i^P(a, \prec)$ .

For  $2 \leq N < \omega$ ,  $\text{KPII}_N$  denotes a set theory for  $\Pi_N$ -reflecting universes  $V$ , which is obtained from  $\text{KP}\omega$  by adding an axiom  $V \in RM_N$  (the axiom for  $\Pi_N$ -reflection) stating that its universe is  $\Pi_N$ -reflecting. This means that for each  $\Pi_N$ -formula  $\varphi$ ,  $\varphi(a) \rightarrow \exists c[ad_N^c \wedge a \in c \wedge \varphi^c(a)]$  is an axiom, where  $ad_2^c \equiv (\forall x \in c \forall y \in x (y \in c))$ , i.e.,  $c$  is transitive, and for  $N > 2$ ,  $ad \equiv ad_N$  denotes a  $\Pi_3$ -sentence such that  $P \models ad \Leftrightarrow P \models \text{KP}\omega$  for any transitive and well-founded sets  $P$ .  $\text{KPII}_2$  is a subtheory of  $\text{KP}\omega + (V = L)$ , which is interpreted in  $\text{KP}\omega$ :  $\text{KP}\omega + (V = L) \vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \text{KP}\omega \vdash \varphi^L$ , cf. Theorem 1.4.

$\text{KPII}_{N+1}$  is much stronger than  $\text{KPII}_N$  since  $\Pi_N$ -recursively Mahlo operation  $RM_N$  can be iterated in  $\text{KPII}_{N+1}$ . For example,  $\text{KPII}_{N+1}$  proves  $\forall \alpha \in ON [V \in RM_N(\alpha; \prec)]$  by induction on ordinals  $\alpha$ . Suppose  $\forall \beta < \alpha [V \in RM_N(\beta; \prec)]$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a  $\Pi_N$ -formula such that  $V \models \varphi$ , and  $\beta < \alpha$ . We can reflect a  $\Pi_{N+1}$ -formula  $V \in RM_N(\beta; \prec) \wedge \varphi$ , and obtain a set  $P$  such that  $P \in RM_N(\beta; \prec) \wedge P \models \varphi$ . Hence  $V \in RM_N(\alpha; \prec)$ . This means that  $V$  is in the diagonal intersection  $\Delta_\alpha RM_N(\alpha; \prec)$ , i.e.,  $V \in \bigcap \{RM_N(\alpha; \prec) : \alpha \in ON \cap V\}$ . Since this is a  $\Pi_{N+1}$ -formula, the  $\Pi_{N+1}$ -reflecting universe  $V$  reflects it: there exists a set  $P \in V$  such that  $P$  is in the diagonal intersection, i.e.,  $P \in \bigcap \{RM_N(\alpha; \prec) : \alpha \in ON \cap P\}$ , and so forth.

Let  $ON \subset V$  denote the class of ordinals,  $ON^\varepsilon \subset V$  and  $<^\varepsilon$  be  $\Delta$ -predicates such that for any transitive and well-founded model  $V$  of  $\text{KP}\omega$ ,  $<^\varepsilon$  is a well order

of type  $\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  on  $ON^\varepsilon$  for the order type  $\mathbb{K}$  of the class  $ON$  in  $V$ .  $\lceil \omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1) \rceil \in ON^\varepsilon$  denotes the code of the ‘ordinal’  $\omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1)$ , which is assumed to be a closed ‘term’ built from the code  $\lceil \mathbb{K} \rceil$  and  $n$ , e.g.,  $\lceil \alpha \rceil = \langle 0, \alpha \rangle$  for  $\alpha \in ON$ ,  $\lceil \mathbb{K} \rceil = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$  and  $\lceil \omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1) \rceil = \langle 2, \langle 2, \dots \langle 2, \langle 3, \lceil \mathbb{K} \rceil, \langle 0, 1 \rangle \rangle \dots \rangle \rangle$ .

$<^\varepsilon$  is assumed to be a standard epsilon order with base  $\mathbb{K}$  (not on  $\mathbb{N}$ , but on  $V$ ) such that  $KP\omega$  proves the fact that  $<^\varepsilon$  is a linear ordering, and for any formula  $\varphi$  and each  $n < \omega$ ,

$$KP\omega \vdash \forall x (\forall y <^\varepsilon x \varphi(y) \rightarrow \varphi(x)) \rightarrow \forall x <^\varepsilon \lceil \omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1) \rceil \varphi(x) \quad (6)$$

**Theorem 2.1** ([A14a])

For each  $N \geq 2$ ,  $KP\Pi_{N+1}$  is  $\Pi_{N+1}$ -conservative over the theory

$$KP\omega + \{V \in RM_N(\lceil \omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1) \rceil; <^\varepsilon) : n \in \omega\}.$$

From (6) we see that  $KP\Pi_{N+1}$  proves  $V \in RM_N(\lceil \omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1) \rceil; <^\varepsilon)$  for each  $n \in \omega$ .

Let us consider the simplest case  $N = 3$ , i.e., an ordinal analysis of set theory  $KP\Pi_3$  for  $\Pi_3$ -reflecting universe. It turns out that  $KP\Pi_3$  is proof-theoretically reducible to iterations of recursively Mahlo operations  $V \in RM_2(\lceil \omega_n(\mathbb{K}+1) \rceil; <^\varepsilon)$  ( $n \in \omega$ ), but how to analyze it proof-theoretically? Here we need a breakthrough done by [Rathjen94].

## 2.1 Ordinals for $KP\Pi_3$

In this subsection we define collapsing functions  $\psi_\sigma^\xi(a)$  for  $KP\Pi_3$ . It is much easier for us to justify the definitions with an existence of a small large cardinal. Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be the least weakly compact cardinal, i.e.,  $\Pi_1^1$ -indescribable cardinal, and  $\Omega = \omega_1$ . In general for  $n \geq 0$ ,  $A \subset ON$  is  $\Pi_n^1$ -indescribable in an ordinal  $\pi$  iff for every  $\Pi_n^1(P)$ -formula  $\varphi(P)$  with a predicate  $P$  and  $C \subset \pi$ , if  $(L_\pi, C) \models \varphi(P)$ , then  $(L_\alpha, C \cap \alpha) \models \varphi(P)$  for an  $\alpha \in A \cap \pi$ . First let us introduce the Mahlo operation. Let  $A \subset \mathbb{K}$  be a set, and  $\alpha \leq \mathbb{K}$  a limit ordinal.  $\alpha \in M_2(A)$  iff  $A \cap \alpha$  is  $\Pi_0^1$ -indescribable in  $\alpha$ .

As in Definition 1.7 we define the Skolem hull  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  and simultaneously classes  $Mh_2^a(\xi)$  as follows.

**Definition 2.2** Define simultaneously by recursion on ordinals  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  the classes  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  ( $X \subset \Gamma_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ),  $Mh_2^a(\xi)$  ( $\xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ) and the ordinals  $\psi_\sigma^\xi(a)$  as follows.

1.  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  denotes the Skolem hull of  $\{0, \Omega, \mathbb{K}\} \cup X$  under the functions  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ , and  $(\sigma, \nu, b) \mapsto \psi_\sigma^\nu(b)$  ( $b < a$ ).
2. Let for  $\xi > 0$ ,

$$\pi \in Mh_2^a(\xi) :\Leftrightarrow \{a, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \ \& \ \forall \nu \in \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \cap \xi (\pi \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\nu))) \quad (7)$$

$\pi \in Mh_2^a(0)$  iff  $\pi$  is a limit ordinal.

3. For  $0 \leq \xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,

$$\psi_{\pi}^{\xi}(a) = \min(\{\pi\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_2^a(\xi) : \{\xi, \pi, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \& \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \pi \subset \kappa\}) \quad (8)$$

and  $\psi_{\Omega}(\alpha) = \min\{\beta < \Omega : \mathcal{H}_a(\beta) \cap \Omega \subset \beta\}$ .

We see that each of  $x = \mathcal{H}_a(y)$ ,  $x = \psi_{\kappa}^{\xi}a$  and  $x \in Mh_2^a(\xi)$ , is a  $\Sigma_1$ -predicate as fixed points in ZFL

Since the cardinality of the set  $\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}(\pi)$  is  $\pi$  for any infinite cardinal  $\pi \leq \mathbb{K}$ , pick an injection  $f : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}(\mathbb{K}) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  so that  $f''\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}(\pi) \subset \pi$  for any weakly inaccessible  $\pi \leq \mathbb{K}$ .

**Lemma 2.3** (Cf. Theorem 4.12 in [Rathjen94].)

1. *There exists a  $\Pi_1^1$ -formula  $mh_2^a(x)$  such that  $\pi \in Mh_2^a(\xi)$  iff  $L_{\pi} \models mh_2^a(\xi)$  for any weakly inaccessible cardinals  $\pi \leq \mathbb{K}$  with  $f''(\{a, \xi\}) \subset L_{\pi}$ .*
2.  $\mathbb{K} \in Mh_2^a(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}) \cap M_2(Mh_2^a(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}))$  for every  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ .

**Proof.** 2.3.1. Let  $\pi$  be a weakly inaccessible cardinal and  $f$  an injection such that  $f''\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}(\pi) \subset L_{\pi}$ . Assume that  $f''(\{a, \xi\}) \subset L_{\pi}$ . Then for  $f(\xi) \in f''\mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$ ,  $\pi \in Mh_2^a(\xi)$  iff for any  $f(\nu) \in L_{\pi}$ , if  $f(\nu) \in f''\mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$  and  $\nu < \xi$ , then  $\pi \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\nu))$ , where  $f''\mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \subset L_{\pi}$  is a class in  $L_{\pi}$ .

2.3.2. We show the following  $B(\xi)$  is progressive in  $\xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ :

$$B(\xi) :\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{K} \in Mh_2^a(\xi) \cap M_2(Mh_2^a(\xi))$$

Note that  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K})$  holds for any  $\xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ .

Suppose  $\forall \nu < \xi B(\nu)$ . We have to show that  $Mh_2^a(\xi)$  is  $\Pi_0^1$ -indescribable in  $\mathbb{K}$ . It is easy to see that if  $\pi \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\xi))$ , then  $\pi \in Mh_2^a(\xi)$  by induction on  $\pi$ . Let  $\theta(P)$  be a first-order formula with a predicate  $P$  such that  $(L_{\mathbb{K}}, C) \models \theta(P)$  for  $C \subset \mathbb{K}$ .

By IH we have  $\forall \nu < \xi[\mathbb{K} \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\nu))]$ . In other words,  $\mathbb{K} \in Mh_2^a(\xi)$ , i.e.,  $(L_{\mathbb{K}}, C) \models mh_2^a(\xi) \wedge \theta(P)$ . Since the universe  $L_{\mathbb{K}}$  is  $\Pi_1^1$ -indescribable, pick a  $\pi < \mathbb{K}$  such that  $(L_{\pi}, C \cap \pi)$  enjoys the  $\Pi_1^1$ -sentence  $mh_2^a(\xi) \wedge \theta(P)$ , and  $\{f(a), f(\xi)\} \subset L_{\pi}$ . Therefore  $\pi \in Mh_2^a(\xi)$ . Thus  $\mathbb{K} \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\xi))$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4** *For every  $\{a, \xi\} \subset \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{\xi}(a) < \mathbb{K}$  for the  $\Pi_1^1$ -indescribable cardinal  $\mathbb{K}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\{a, \xi\} \subset \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ . By Lemma 2.3.2 we obtain  $\mathbb{K} \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\xi))$ . On the other,  $\{\kappa < \mathbb{K} : \{\xi, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa), \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \kappa\}$  is a club subset of  $\mathbb{K}$ . Hence  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{\xi}(a) < \mathbb{K}$  by the definition (8).  $\square$

From the definition (8) we see

$$\pi \in Mh_2^a(\mu) \cap \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \& \xi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \cap \mu \Rightarrow \pi \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\xi)) \& \psi_{\pi}^{\xi}(a) < \pi$$

In what follows  $M_2$  denote the  $\Pi_2$ -recursively Mahlo operation  $RM_2$ .

## 2.2 Operator controlled derivations for $\text{KP}\Pi_3$

$OT(\Pi_3)$  denotes a computable notation system of ordinals with collapsing functions  $\psi_\sigma^\nu(b)$ .  $\kappa = \psi_\sigma^\nu(b) \in OT(\Pi_3)$  if  $\{\sigma, \nu, b\} \subset OT(\Pi_3) \cap \mathcal{H}_b(\kappa)$ ,  $\nu = m_2(\kappa) < m_2(\sigma)$  and

$$SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \kappa \ \& \ \nu \leq b \quad (9)$$

where  $m_2(\Omega) = 1$  and  $m_2(\mathbb{K}) = \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ . We need the condition (9) in our well-foundedness proof of  $OT(\Pi_3)$ , cf. Proposition 3.30 and Lemma 3.38.

Operator controlled derivations for  $\text{KP}\Pi_3$  are defined as in Definition 1.16 for  $\text{KP}\omega$  together with the following inference rules. For ordinals  $\pi = \psi_\sigma^\xi(a)$ , let  $m_2(\pi) = \xi$ .

( $\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mathbb{K})$ )  $b \geq \mathbb{K}$ . There exist an ordinal  $a_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap a$ , and a  $\Sigma_3(\mathbb{K})$ -sentence  $A$  enjoying the following conditions:

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg A \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})} : \rho < \mathbb{K}\}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mathbb{K}))$$

The inference says that  $\mathbb{K} \in RM_3$ .

( $\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \pi, \nu)$ ) There exist ordinals  $\alpha < \pi \leq b < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\nu < m_2(\pi)$  such that  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \pi$  and  $\nu \leq \gamma$ , cf. (9),  $a_0 < a$ , and a finite set  $\Delta$  of  $\Sigma_2(\pi)$ -sentences enjoying the following conditions:

1.  $\{\alpha, \pi, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ .
2. For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg \delta$ .
3. For each  $\alpha < \rho \in Mh_2(\nu) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}$  holds.  
By  $\rho \in Mh_2(\nu)$  we mean  $\nu \leq m_2(\rho)$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg \delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)} : \alpha < \rho \in Mh_2(\nu) \cap \pi\}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \pi, \nu))$$

The inference says that  $\pi \in M_2(Mh_2^\gamma(\nu))$  provided that  $\{m_2(\pi), \gamma, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\pi)$ .

The axiom for  $\Pi_3$ -reflection follows from the inference ( $\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mathbb{K})$ ) as follows. Let  $A \in \Sigma_3(\mathbb{K})$  with  $d = \text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{K} + \omega$ , and  $d_\rho = \text{rk}(A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})})$  for  $\rho < \mathbb{K}$ .

$$\frac{\frac{\mathcal{H}_0[\mathbf{k}(A) \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_0^{2d_\rho} A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})}, \neg A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})}}{\mathcal{H}_0[\mathbf{k}(A)] \vdash_0^{2d} A, \neg A} \quad \mathcal{H}_0[\mathbf{k}(A) \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_0^{\mathbb{K}} \exists z A^{(z, \mathbb{K})}, \neg A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})}}{\mathcal{H}_0[\mathbf{k}(A)] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{\mathbb{K}+\omega} \neg A, \exists z A^{(z, \mathbb{K})}} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mathbb{K}))$$

An appropriate name for this collapsing technique would be stationary collapsing since in order for this procedure to work, a single derivation has to be collapsed into a ‘‘stationary’’ family of derivations. [Rathjen94]

We see from the following proof that  $\alpha = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K})$  holds in every inference ( $\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \kappa, a_0)$ ) occurring in a witnessed derivation of  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}$ . Let us call the unique ordinal  $\alpha$  a *base*.

**Lemma 2.5** *Assume  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_2(\mathbb{K})$ ,  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \Gamma$  with  $a \leq \gamma$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}$  holds for any  $\kappa \in Mh_2(a) \cap \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K} \cdot \omega)$  such that  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K}) < \kappa$ , where  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^{\mathbb{K}+a}$  and  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a})$ .*

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$ . Note that there exists a  $\kappa \in OT(\Pi_3)$  such that  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K}) < \kappa \in Mh_2(a) \cap \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K} \cdot \omega)$ . F.e.  $\kappa = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}^a(\gamma + \mathbb{K} + 1)$ .

**Case 1.** Consider the case when the last inference is a ( $\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mathbb{K})$ ). For  $\Sigma_3 \ni A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$ ,

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg A \quad \{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{a_0} \Gamma, A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})} : \rho < \mathbb{K}\}}{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mathbb{K}))$$

Let

$$\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K}) \leq \sigma \in Mh_2(a_0) \cap \kappa.$$

Let  $i \in Tm(\sigma)$ , i.e.,  $k(i) \subset \sigma$ . For each  $i \in Tm(\sigma)$  Inversion yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+|i|}[\Theta \cup k(i)] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg A_i$  with  $k(i) < \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + |i|)$ . By IH we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\} \cup k(i)] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0} \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}, \neg A_i^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}$  for every  $i \in Tm(\sigma)$ , where  $\beta_0 = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a}_0)$  with  $\hat{a}_0 = \gamma + \omega^{\mathbb{K}+a_0} = \gamma + |i| + \omega^{\mathbb{K}+a_0}$ . A ( $\wedge$ ) yields

$$\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0+1} \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}, \neg A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}$$

On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+\sigma}[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{a_0} \Gamma, A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}$  with  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma+\sigma}(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \sigma))$ , but  $\sigma \notin \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K}))$ . We obtain  $\kappa \in Mh_2(a_0)$  by  $a_0 < a$ , and  $\gamma + \sigma + \mathbb{K} = \gamma + \mathbb{K}$ . IH yields

$$\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}$$

A (*cut*) of the cut formula  $A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}$  with  $\text{rk}(A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}) < \kappa < \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K} \cdot \omega) \leq \beta$  yields

$$\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0+2} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}$$

On the other side

$$\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_0^{2d} \neg \theta^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}$$

holds for each  $\theta \in \Gamma \subset \Sigma_2(\mathbb{K})$ , where  $d = \max\{\text{rk}(\theta^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}) : \theta \in \Gamma\} < \kappa + \omega < \beta$ .

Moreover we have  $a_0 < \hat{a}$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(a_0) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma)) \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \kappa$ . A ( $\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\delta, \kappa, a_0)$ ) with  $\delta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K})$ ,  $\{\delta, \kappa, a_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}]$  yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_0^{2d} \neg \theta^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}\}_{\theta \in \Gamma} \quad \frac{\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0+1} \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}, \neg A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})} \quad \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, A^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}}{\{\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta_0+2} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}\}_{\delta < \sigma \in Mh_2(a_0) \cap \kappa}}}{\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\delta, \kappa, a_0))$$



**Case 2.** The last inference is a (*cut*) of a cut formula  $C$  with  $\text{rk}(C) < \mathbb{K}$ . Then  $\text{rk}(C) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma) < \beta$  by (3), Proposition 3.1 and the assumption  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$ .

**Case 3.** The last inference is a ( $\wedge$ ) with a main formula  $\Pi_1(\mathbb{K}) \ni A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . We may assume  $J = Tm(\mathbb{K})$ . Then  $A^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})} \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in Tm(\kappa)}$ , and we obtain the lemma by pruning the branches for  $\iota \notin Tm(\kappa)$ .

**Case 4.** The last inference is a ( $\vee$ ) with a main formula  $\Sigma_2(\mathbb{K}) \ni A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . We may assume  $J = Tm(\mathbb{K})$ . Then  $A^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})} \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in Tm(\kappa)}$ .

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{a_0} \Gamma, A_\iota}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \Gamma} (\vee)$$

We may assume that  $\text{k}(\iota) \subset \text{k}(A_\iota)$ . Then by (3) and  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$  we obtain  $\text{k}(\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma)) \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \kappa$ , and  $\iota \in Tm(\kappa)$ .  $\square$

An ordinal term  $\alpha$  in  $OT(\Pi_3)$  is said to be *regular* if either  $\alpha \in \{\Omega, \mathbb{K}\}$  or  $\alpha = \psi_\sigma^\nu(a)$  for some  $\sigma, a$  and  $\nu > 0$ .

**Lemma 2.6** *Let  $\lambda$  be regular,  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_1(\lambda)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$ , where  $a < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \ni \lambda \leq b < \mathbb{K}$ , and  $\forall \kappa \in [\lambda, b)(\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\kappa(\gamma)))$ . Let  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \theta_b(a)$  and  $\beta = \psi_\lambda^\eta(\hat{a})$  such that  $0 \leq \eta \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ ,  $\eta < m_2(\lambda)$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\eta) \subset \beta$  and  $\eta \leq \gamma$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta] \vdash_\beta^\beta \Gamma$  holds.*

**Proof.** By main induction on  $b$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$  as in Theorem 1.22.

**Case 1.** Consider first the case when the last inference is a ( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \sigma, \nu)$ ) with  $b \geq \sigma > \alpha$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)} : \alpha < \rho \in Mh_2(\nu) \cap \sigma\}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} (\text{rfI}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \sigma, \nu))$$

where  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_2(\sigma)$ ,  $\{\alpha, \sigma, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ ,  $\nu < m_2(\sigma)$ ,  $\nu \leq \gamma$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \sigma$ .

**Case 1.1.**  $\sigma < \lambda$ : Then  $\{\neg\delta\} \cup \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)} \subset \Delta_0(\lambda)$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ . For any  $\lambda \leq \kappa < b$ , we obtain  $\rho < \sigma \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \kappa \subset \psi_\kappa(\gamma)$ . SIH yields the lemma.

**Case 1.2.**  $\sigma \geq \lambda$ : For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , let  $\delta \simeq \bigvee (\delta_i)_{i \in J}$ . We may assume  $J = Tm(\sigma)$ . Inversion yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+|i|}[\Theta \cup \text{k}(i)] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta_i$ . Let  $\hat{a}_0 = \gamma + \theta_b(a_0)$  and  $\rho = \psi_\sigma^\nu(\hat{a}_0 + \alpha)$ , where  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho)$  by the assumption,  $\{\alpha, \sigma, \nu, \hat{a}_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  with  $\nu < m_2(\sigma)$ . Hence  $\{\alpha, \sigma, \nu, \hat{a}_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho)$  and  $\alpha < \rho$  by  $\alpha < \sigma$ . Therefore, cf. (9),  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \rho \in Mh_2(\nu) \cap \sigma \cap \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+\alpha+1}[\Theta]$ .

For each  $\text{k}(i) \subset \rho$  and  $\neg\delta_i \in \Sigma_1(\sigma)$ , we obtain  $\gamma + |i| + \theta_b(a_0) = \hat{a}_0$  by  $|i| < \rho < \sigma \leq b$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta \cup \text{k}(i)] \vdash_{\rho_0}^{\rho_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta_i$  by SIH for  $\rho_0 = \psi_{\text{sig}}(\hat{a}_0) \leq \rho$ . Hence  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+\alpha+1}[\Theta \cup \text{k}(i)] \vdash_\rho^\rho \Gamma, \neg\delta_i$ . By Boundedness we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+\alpha+1}[\Theta \cup \text{k}(i)] \vdash_\rho^\rho \Gamma, \neg\delta_i^{(\rho, \sigma)}$ . A ( $\wedge$ ) yields

$$\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+\alpha+1}[\Theta] \vdash_\rho^{\rho+1} \Gamma, \neg\delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}.$$

On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_0 + \alpha + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}$ . By SIH we obtain

$$\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_1 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_1}^{\beta_1} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}$$

for  $\beta_1 = \psi_\sigma(\widehat{a}_1) > \rho$ , with  $\widehat{a}_1 = \widehat{a}_0 + \alpha + \theta_b(a_0) \leq \gamma + \theta_b(a_0) \cdot 3 < \widehat{a}$ . Therefore we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_1 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_1}^{\beta_1 + \omega} \Gamma$  by several (*cut*)'s of  $\text{rk}(\delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}) < \rho + \omega < \beta_1$ .

If  $\sigma = \lambda$ , then we are done. Let  $\lambda < \sigma \leq b$ . Then  $\lambda \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \sigma \subset \beta_1$ . MIH yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_2 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_2}^{\beta_2} \Gamma$ , where  $\widehat{a}_2 = \widehat{a}_1 + \theta_{\beta_1}(\beta_1 + \omega) < \widehat{a}$  by  $\beta_1 < \sigma \leq b$ , and  $\beta_2 = \psi_\lambda(\widehat{a}_2) < \psi_\lambda(\widehat{a}) \leq \beta$ .

**Case 2.** Next the last inference is a (*cut*) of a cut formula  $C$  with  $d = \text{rk}(C) < b$ .

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, -C \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, C}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \text{ (cut)}$$

If  $d < \lambda$ , then SIH yields the lemma. Let  $\lambda \leq d$  and  $\widehat{a}_0 = \gamma + \theta_b(a_0)$ .

**Case 2.1.** There exists a regular  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  such that  $d < \sigma \leq b$ : For  $\{-C, C\} \subset \Delta_0(\sigma)$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_0 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_0}^{\beta_0} \Gamma, C$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_0 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_0}^{\beta_0} \Gamma, -C$  for  $\beta_0 = \psi_\sigma(\widehat{a}_0)$  by SIH. A (*cut*) yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_0 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_0}^{\beta_0 + 1} \Gamma$ . MIH yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a}_1 + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\beta_1}^{\beta_1} \Gamma$ , where  $\widehat{a}_1 = \widehat{a}_0 + \theta_{\beta_0}(\beta_0 + 1) < \widehat{a}$  and  $\beta_1 = \psi_\lambda(\widehat{a}_1) < \psi_\lambda(\widehat{a}) \leq \beta$ .

**Case 2.2.** Otherwise: Then there is no regular  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  such that  $d < \sigma \leq b$ . Let  $d + c = b$ . Then by Cut-elimination we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_d^{\theta_c(a)} \Gamma$ . MIH yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{a} + 1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\psi_\lambda(\widehat{a})}^{\psi_\lambda(\widehat{a})} \Gamma$ , where  $\gamma + \theta_d(\theta_c(a)) = \gamma + \theta_b(a) = \widehat{a}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7** *Assume  $\text{KPII}_3 \vdash \theta^{L_\Omega}$  for  $\theta \in \Sigma$ . Then there exists an  $n < \omega$  such that  $L_\alpha \models \theta$  for  $\alpha = \psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1))$  in  $OT(\Pi_3)$ .*

**Proof.** By Embedding there exists an  $m > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{H}_0[\emptyset] \vdash_{\mathbb{K} + m}^{\mathbb{K} + m} \theta^{L_\Omega}$ . By Cut-elimination,  $\mathcal{H}_0[\emptyset] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \theta^{L_\Omega}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_a[\emptyset] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \theta^{L_\Omega}$  for  $a = \omega_m(\mathbb{K} + m)$ . By Lemma 2.5 we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\omega^a + 1}[\{\kappa\}] \vdash_\beta^\beta \theta^{L_\Omega}$ , where  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\omega^a)$ ,  $a + \omega^{\mathbb{K} + a} = \omega^a$ ,  $(\theta^{L_\Omega})^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})} \equiv \theta^{L_\Omega}$  and  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(a + \mathbb{K}) < \kappa \in Mh_2(a) \cap \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(a + \mathbb{K} \cdot \omega)$ . F.e.  $\kappa = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}^a(a + \mathbb{K} + 1) \in \mathcal{H}_{a + \mathbb{K} + 2}[\emptyset]$ . Hence  $\mathcal{H}_{\omega^a + \mathbb{K} + 2}[\emptyset] \vdash_\beta^\beta \theta^{L_\Omega}$ . Lemma 2.6 then yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma + 1}[\emptyset] \vdash_{\beta_1}^{\beta_1} \theta^{L_\Omega}$  for  $\gamma = \omega^a + \mathbb{K} + \theta_\beta(\beta)$  and  $\beta_1 = \psi_\Omega(\gamma) < \psi_\Omega(\omega^a + \mathbb{K} \cdot 2) < \psi_\Omega(\omega_{m+2}(\mathbb{K} + 1)) = \alpha$ . Therefore  $L_\alpha \models \theta$ .  $\square$

### 3 Well-foundedness proof in $\text{KPII}_3$

$OT(\Pi_3)$  denotes the computable notation system in section 2.  $\kappa = \psi_\sigma^\nu(b) \in OT(\Pi_3)$  only if  $\nu = m_2(\kappa) < m_2(\sigma)$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \kappa$  and  $\nu \leq b$ , cf. (9). In this section we show the

**Theorem 3.1**  *$\text{KPII}_3$  proves the well-foundedness of  $OT(\Pi_3)$  up to each  $\alpha < \psi_\Omega(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K} + 1})$ .*

We assume a standard encoding  $OT(\Pi_3) \ni \alpha \mapsto \lceil \alpha \rceil \in \omega$ , and identify ordinal terms  $\alpha$  with its code  $\lceil \alpha \rceil$ .

### 3.1 Distinguished sets

In this subsection we work in  $\text{KPL}$ .

**Definition 3.2** [Buchholz00].

For  $\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3)$ ,  $X \subset OT(\Pi_3)$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) &:= \text{closure of } \{0, \Omega, \mathbb{K}\} \cup (X \cap \alpha) \text{ under } +, \varphi \\ &\text{and } (\sigma, \alpha, \nu) \mapsto \psi'_\sigma(\alpha) \text{ for } \sigma > \alpha \text{ in } OT(\Pi_3) \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

$\alpha^+ = \Omega_{a+1}$  denotes the least regular term above  $\alpha$  if such a term exists. Otherwise  $\alpha^+ := \infty$ .

**Proposition 3.3** Assume  $\forall \gamma \in X[\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)]$  for a set  $X \subset OT(\Pi_3)$ .

1.  $\alpha \leq \beta \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}^\beta(X) \subset \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ .
2.  $\alpha < \beta < \alpha^+ \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}^\beta(X) = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ .

**Proof.** 3.3.1. We see by induction on  $\ell\gamma$  ( $\gamma \in OT(\Pi_3)$ ) that

$$\forall \beta \geq \alpha[\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X) \Rightarrow \gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \cup (X \cap \beta)] \quad (11)$$

For example, if  $\psi'_\pi(\delta) \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$  with  $\pi > \beta \geq \alpha$  and  $\{\pi, \delta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \cup (X \cap \beta)$ , then  $\pi \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ , and for any  $\gamma \in \{\delta, \nu\}$ , either  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$  or  $\gamma \in X \cap \beta$ . If  $\gamma < \alpha$ , then  $\gamma \in X \cap \alpha \subset \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ . If  $\alpha \leq \gamma \in X \cap \beta$ , then  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$  by the assumption, and by IH we have  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \cup (X \cap \gamma)$ , i.e.,  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ . Therefore  $\{\pi, \delta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ , and  $\psi'_\pi(\delta) \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ .

Using (11) we see from the assumption that  $\forall \beta \geq \alpha[\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X) \Rightarrow \gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)]$ .

3.3.2. Assume  $\alpha < \beta < \alpha^+$ . Then by Proposition 3.3.1 we have  $\mathcal{C}^\beta(X) \subset \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ .  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \subset \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$  is easily seen from  $\beta < \alpha^+$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.4** 1.  $\text{Prg}[X, Y] := \Leftrightarrow \forall \alpha \in X(X \cap \alpha \subset Y \rightarrow \alpha \in Y)$ .

2. For a definable class  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\text{TI}[\mathcal{X}]$  denotes the schema:  
 $\text{TI}[\mathcal{X}] := \Leftrightarrow \text{Prg}[\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}] \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \subset \mathcal{Y}$  holds for any definable classes  $\mathcal{Y}$ .
3. For  $X \subset OT(\Pi_3)$ ,  $W(X)$  denotes the *well-founded part* of  $X$ .
4.  $W_o[X] := \Leftrightarrow X \subset W(X)$ .

Note that for  $\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3)$ ,  $W(X) \cap \alpha = W(X \cap \alpha)$ .

**Definition 3.5** For  $X \subset OT(\Pi_3)$  and  $\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3)$ ,

1. 
$$D[X] := \Leftrightarrow \forall \alpha(\alpha \leq X \rightarrow W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)) \cap \alpha^+ = X \cap \alpha^+) \quad (12)$$

A set  $X$  is said to be a *distinguished set* if  $D[X]$ .

2.  $\mathcal{W} := \bigcup\{X : D[X]\}$ .

Let  $\alpha \in X$  for a distinguished set  $X$ . Then  $W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)) \cap \alpha^+ = X \cap \alpha^+$ . Hence  $X$  is a well order.

**Proposition 3.6** *Let  $X$  be a distinguished set. Then  $\alpha \in X \Rightarrow \forall \beta[\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)]$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $D[X]$  and  $\alpha \in X$ . Then  $\alpha \in X \cap \alpha^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)) \cap \alpha^+ \subset \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ . Hence  $\forall \gamma \in X(\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X))$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$  for any  $\beta \leq \alpha$  by Proposition 3.3.1. Moreover for  $\beta > \alpha$  we have  $\alpha \in X \cap \beta \subset \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.7**  *$X \cap \alpha = Y \cap \alpha \Rightarrow \forall \beta < \alpha^+ [\mathcal{C}^\beta(X) = \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)]$  if  $\forall \gamma \in X(\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X))$  and  $\forall \gamma \in Y(\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y))$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $X \cap \alpha = Y \cap \alpha$  and  $\alpha \leq \beta < \alpha^+$ . We obtain  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)$ . On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{C}^\beta(X) = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$  and similarly for  $\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$  by Proposition 3.3.2. Hence  $\mathcal{C}^\beta(X) = \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.8**  *$\alpha \leq X \ \& \ \alpha \leq Y \Rightarrow X \cap \alpha^+ = Y \cap \alpha^+$  if  $D[X]$  and  $D[Y]$ .*

**Proof.** For distinguished set  $X$ ,  $\alpha \leq X \Rightarrow X \cap \alpha^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)) \cap \alpha^+$ . Hence the proposition follows from Propositions 3.6 and 3.7.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9**  *$\mathcal{W}$  is the maximal distinguished class.*

**Proof.** First we show  $\forall \gamma \in \mathcal{W}(\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(\mathcal{W}))$ . Let  $\gamma \in \mathcal{W}$ , and pick a distinguished set  $X$  such that  $\gamma \in X$ . Then  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X) \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(\mathcal{W})$  by  $X \subset \mathcal{W}$ .

Let  $\alpha \leq \mathcal{W}$ . Pick a distinguished set  $X$  such that  $\alpha \leq X$ . We claim that  $\mathcal{W} \cap \alpha^+ = X \cap \alpha^+$ . Let  $Y$  be a distinguished set and  $\beta \in Y \cap \alpha^+$ . Then  $\beta \in Y \cap \beta^+ = X \cap \beta^+$  by Proposition 3.8. The claim yields  $W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W})) \cap \alpha^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)) \cap \alpha^+ = X \cap \alpha^+ = \mathcal{W} \cap \alpha^+$ . Hence  $D[\mathcal{W}]$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.10**  $\mathcal{G}(X) := \{\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3) : \alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \ \& \ \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \cap \alpha \subset X\}$ .

**Lemma 3.11** *For  $D[X]$ ,  $X \subset \mathcal{G}(X)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\gamma \in X$ . We have  $\gamma \in W(\mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)) \cap \gamma^+ = X \cap \gamma^+$ . Hence  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$ . Assume  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X) \cap \gamma$ . Then  $\alpha \in W(\mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)) \cap \gamma^+ \subset X$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{C}^\gamma(X) \cap \gamma \subset X$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.12** For ordinal terms  $\alpha, \delta \in OT(\Pi_3)$ , finite sets  $G_\delta(\alpha) \subset OT(\Pi_3)$  are defined recursively as follows.

1.  $G_\delta(\alpha) = \emptyset$  for  $\alpha \in \{0, \Omega, \mathbb{K}\}$ .  $G_\delta(\alpha_m + \dots + \alpha_0) = \bigcup_{i \leq m} G_\delta(\alpha_i)$ .  $G_\delta(\varphi\beta\gamma) = G_\delta(\beta) \cup G_\delta(\gamma)$ .

2.  $G_\delta(\psi_\pi^\nu(a)) = \begin{cases} G_\delta(\{\pi, a, \nu\}) & \delta < \pi \\ \{\psi_\pi^\nu(a)\} & \pi \leq \delta \end{cases}$ .

**Proposition 3.13** *For  $\{\alpha, \delta, a, b, \rho\} \subset OT(\Pi_3)$ ,*

1.  $G_\delta(\alpha) \leq \alpha$ .
2.  $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}_a(b) \Rightarrow G_\delta(\alpha) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(b)$ .

**Proof.** These are shown simultaneously by induction on the lengths  $\ell\alpha$  of ordinal terms  $\alpha$ . It is easy to see that

$$G_\delta(\alpha) \ni \beta \Rightarrow \beta < \delta \ \& \ \ell\beta \leq \ell\alpha \quad (13)$$

3.13.1. Consider the case  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a)$  with  $\delta < \pi$ . Then  $G_\delta(\alpha) = G_\delta(\{\pi, a, \nu\})$ . On the other hand we have  $\{\pi, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha)$ . Proposition 3.13.2 with (13) yields  $G_\delta(\{\pi, a, \nu\}) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha) \cap \pi \subset \alpha$ . Hence  $G_\delta(\alpha) < \alpha$ .

3.13.2. Since  $G_\delta(\alpha) \leq \alpha$  by Proposition 3.13.1, we can assume  $\alpha \geq b$ .

Consider the case  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a)$  with  $\delta < \pi$ . Then  $\{\pi, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(b)$  and  $G_\delta(\alpha) = G_\delta(\{\pi, a, \nu\})$ . IH yields the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.14** *Let  $\gamma < \beta$ . Assume  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$  and  $\forall \kappa \leq \beta [G_\kappa(\alpha) < \gamma]$ . Moreover assume  $\forall \delta [\ell\delta \leq \ell\alpha \ \& \ \delta \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X) \cap \gamma \Rightarrow \delta \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)]$ . Then  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$ .*

**Proof.** By induction on  $\ell\alpha$ . If  $\alpha < \gamma$ , then  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X) \cap \gamma$ . The third assumption yields  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$ . Assume  $\alpha \geq \gamma$ . Except the case  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a)$  for some  $\pi, a, \nu$ , IH yields  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$ . Suppose  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a)$  for some  $\{\pi, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$  and  $\pi > \gamma$ . If  $\pi \leq \beta$ , then  $\{\alpha\} = G_\pi(\alpha) < \gamma$  by the second assumption. Hence this is not the case, and we obtain  $\pi > \beta$ . Then  $G_\kappa(\{\pi, a, \nu\}) = G_\kappa(\alpha) < \gamma$  for any  $\kappa \leq \beta < \pi$ . IH yields  $\{\pi, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$ . We conclude  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(X)$  from  $\pi > \beta$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.15** *Suppose  $D[Y]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ . Let  $X = W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)) \cap \alpha^+$ . Assume that the following condition (71) is fulfilled. Then  $\alpha \in X$  and  $D[X]$ .*

$$\forall \beta (Y \cap \alpha^+ < \beta \ \& \ \beta^+ < \alpha^+ \rightarrow W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)) \cap \beta^+ \subset Y) \quad (14)$$

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ . By  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y) \cap \alpha \subset Y$  and  $Wo[Y]$  we obtain by Proposition 3.6

$$X \cap \alpha = Y \cap \alpha = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y) \cap \alpha \quad (15)$$

Hence  $\alpha \in X$ .

**Claim 3.16**  $\alpha^+ = \gamma^+ \ \& \ \gamma \in X \Rightarrow \gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$ .

**Proof** of Claim 3.16. Let  $\alpha^+ = \gamma^+$  and  $\gamma \in X = W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)) \cap \alpha^+$ . We obtain  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y) = \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$  by Propositions 3.6 and 3.3. Hence  $Y \cap \gamma \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y) \cap \gamma = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y) \cap \gamma$ .  $\gamma \in W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y))$  yields  $Y \cap \gamma \subset X$ . Therefore we obtain  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y) \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$ .  $\square$  of Claim 3.16.

**Claim 3.17**  $D[X]$ .

**Proof** of Claim 3.17. We have  $X \cap \alpha = Y \cap \alpha$  by (15). Let  $\beta \leq X$ . We show  $W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(X)) \cap \beta^+ = X \cap \beta^+$ .

**Case 1.**  $\beta^+ = \alpha^+$ : We obtain  $\mathcal{C}^\beta(X) = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) = \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)$  by Proposition 3.3, Claim 3.16 and (15).

**Case 2.**  $\beta^+ < \alpha^+$ : Then  $\beta^+ \leq \alpha$ .

First let  $Y \cap \alpha^+ < \beta$ . Then the assumption (71) yields  $W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)) \cap \beta^+ \subset Y$ . We obtain  $W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(X)) \cap \beta^+ \subset Y \cap \beta^+ = X \cap \beta^+$  by (15). It remains to show  $Y \cap \beta^+ \subset W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y))$ . Let  $\gamma \in Y \cap \beta^+$ . We obtain  $\gamma \in W(\mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y))$  by  $D[Y]$ . On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$  by Proposition 3.3. Moreover Proposition 3.6 yields  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$ . Hence  $\gamma \in W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y))$ .

Next let  $\beta \leq Y \cap \alpha^+$ . We obtain  $Y \cap \beta^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)) \cap \beta^+$ , and  $X \cap \beta^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(X)) \cap \beta^+$  by (15). □ of Claim 3.17.

This completes a proof of Lemma 3.15. □

**Proposition 3.18** *Let  $D[X]$ .*

1. *Let  $\{\alpha, \beta\} \subset X$  with  $\alpha + \beta = \alpha \# \beta$  and  $\alpha > 0$ . Then  $\gamma = \alpha + \beta \in X$ .*

2. *If  $\{\alpha, \beta\} \subset X$ , then  $\varphi_\alpha(\beta) \in X$ .*

**Proof.** Proposition 3.18.2 is seen by main induction on  $\alpha \in X$  with subsidiary induction on  $\beta \in X$  using Proposition 3.18.1. We show Proposition 3.18.1. We obtain  $\alpha \in X \cap \gamma^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)) \cap \gamma^+$  with  $\gamma^+ = \alpha^+$ . We see that  $\alpha + \beta \in W(\mathcal{C}^\gamma(X))$  by induction on  $\beta \in X \cap \alpha \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(X)$ . □

**Proposition 3.19** *Let  $X_0 = W(\mathcal{C}^0(\emptyset)) \cap 0^+$  with  $0^+ = \Omega$ , and  $X_1 = W(\mathcal{C}^\Omega(X_0)) \cap \Omega^+$ . Then  $0 \in X_0$ ,  $\Omega \in X_1$  and  $D[X_i]$  for  $i = 0, 1$ .*

**Proof.** For each  $\alpha \in \{0, \Omega\}$  and any set  $Y \subset OT(\Pi_3)$  we have  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)$ . First we obtain  $0 \in \mathcal{G}(\emptyset)$  and  $D[\emptyset]$ . Also there is no  $\beta$  such that  $\beta^+ < 0^+$ . Hence the condition (71) is fulfilled, and we obtain  $0 \in X_0$  and  $D[X_0]$  by Lemma 3.15.

Next let  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\Omega(X_0) \cap \Omega$ . We show  $\gamma \in X_0$  by induction on the lengths  $\ell\gamma$  of ordinal terms  $\gamma$  as follows. We see that each strongly critical number  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\Omega(X_0) \cap \Omega$  is in  $X_0$  since if  $\psi_\sigma^\nu(\beta) < \Omega$ , then  $\sigma = \Omega$ . Otherwise  $\gamma \in X_0$  is seen from IH using Proposition 3.18 and  $0 \in X_0$ . Therefore we obtain  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(X_0)$ . Let  $\beta^+ < \alpha^+$ . Then  $\beta^+ = \Omega$  and  $\beta < \Omega$ . Then  $W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(X_0)) \cap \Omega = W(\mathcal{C}^0(X_0)) \cap \Omega = X_0$  by Proposition 3.3. Hence the condition (71) is fulfilled, and we obtain  $\Omega \in X_1$  and  $D[X_1]$  by Lemma 3.15. □

**Definition 3.20**  $\beta \prec \alpha$  iff there exists a sequence  $\{\sigma_i\}_{i \leq n}$  ( $n > 0$ ) such that  $\alpha = \sigma_0$ ,  $\beta = \sigma_n$  and for each  $i < n$ , there are some  $\nu_i, a_i$  such that  $\sigma_{i+1} = \psi_{\sigma_i}^{\nu_i}(a_i)$ .

Note that  $\beta \prec \alpha \Rightarrow m_2(\beta) < m_2(\alpha)$ .

**Lemma 3.21** *Suppose  $D[Y]$  with  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset Y$ , and for  $\eta \in OT(\Pi_3)$*

$$\eta \in \mathcal{G}(Y) \tag{16}$$

and

$$\forall \gamma \prec \eta (\gamma \in \mathcal{G}(Y) \Rightarrow \gamma \in Y) \quad (17)$$

Let  $X = W(\mathcal{C}^\eta(Y)) \cap \eta^+$ . Then  $\eta \in X$  and  $D[X]$ .

**Proof.** By Lemma 3.15 and the hypothesis (16) it suffices to show (71), i.e.,

$$\forall \beta (Y \cap \eta^+ < \beta \ \& \ \beta^+ < \eta^+ \rightarrow W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)) \cap \beta^+ \subset Y).$$

Assume  $Y \cap \eta^+ < \beta$  and  $\beta^+ < \eta^+$ . We have to show  $W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)) \cap \beta^+ \subset Y$ . We prove this by induction on  $\gamma \in W(\mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)) \cap \beta^+$ . Suppose  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \beta^+$  and

$$\text{MIH} : \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \gamma \subset Y.$$

We show  $\gamma \in Y$ . We can assume that

$$Y \cap \eta^+ < \gamma \quad (18)$$

since if  $\gamma \leq \delta$  for some  $\delta \in Y \cap \eta^+$ , then by  $Y \cap \eta^+ < \beta$  and  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$  we obtain  $\delta < \beta$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\delta(Y)$  and  $\delta \in W(\mathcal{C}^\delta(Y)) \cap \delta^+ = Y \cap \delta^+$ . Hence  $\gamma \in W(\mathcal{C}^\delta(Y)) \cap \delta^+ \subset Y$ .

We show first

$$\gamma \in \mathcal{G}(Y) \quad (19)$$

First  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$  by  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \beta^+$  and Proposition 3.3. Second we show the following claim by induction on  $\ell\alpha$ :

$$\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y) \cap \gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \in Y \quad (20)$$

**Proof** of (20). Assume  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$ . We can assume  $\gamma^+ \leq \beta$  for otherwise we have  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y) \cap \gamma = \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \gamma \subset Y$  by MIH.

By induction hypothesis on lengths,  $\alpha < \gamma < \beta^+ < \eta^+$ , Proposition 3.18, and  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset Y$ , we can assume that  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a)$  for some  $\pi > \gamma$  such that  $\{\pi, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$ .

**Case 1.**  $\beta < \pi$ : Then  $G_\beta(\{\pi, a, \nu\}) = G_\beta(\alpha) < \alpha < \gamma$  by Proposition 3.13.1. Proposition 3.14 with induction hypothesis on lengths yields  $\{\pi, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$ . Hence  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \gamma$  by  $\pi > \beta$ . MIH yields  $\alpha \in Y$ .

**Case 2.**  $\beta \geq \pi$ : We have  $\alpha < \gamma < \pi \leq \beta$ . It suffices to show that  $\alpha \leq Y \cap \eta^+$ . Then by (18) we have  $\alpha \leq \delta \in Y \cap \eta^+$  for some  $\delta < \gamma$ .  $\mathcal{C}^\delta(Y) \ni \alpha \leq \delta \in Y \cap \delta^+ = W(\mathcal{C}^\delta(Y)) \cap \delta^+$  yields  $\alpha \in W(\mathcal{C}^\delta(Y)) \cap \delta^+ \subset Y$ .

Assume first that  $\gamma$  is not a strongly critical number. By  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a) < \gamma$ , we can assume that  $\gamma \neq 0$ . Let  $\delta$  denote the largest immediate subterm of  $\gamma$ . We obtain  $\delta \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \gamma$  by (18),  $Y \cap \eta^+ < \gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$ . Hence  $\delta \in Y$  by MIH. Also by  $\alpha < \gamma$ , we obtain  $\alpha \leq \delta$ , i.e.,  $\alpha \leq Y$ , and we are done.

Next let  $\gamma = \psi_\kappa^\xi(b)$  for some  $b, \xi$  and  $\kappa > \beta$  by (18) and  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$ . We have  $\alpha < \gamma < \pi \leq \beta < \kappa$ . We obtain  $\pi \notin \mathcal{H}_b(\gamma)$  since otherwise by  $\pi < \kappa$  we would have  $\pi < \gamma$ . Therefore  $\alpha = \psi_\pi^\nu(a) < \psi_\kappa^\xi(b) = \gamma < \pi < \kappa$  with  $\pi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha)$  and  $\pi \notin \mathcal{H}_b(\gamma)$ . This yields  $a > b$  and  $\{\kappa, b, \xi\} \not\subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha)$ .

On the other hand we have  $\{\kappa, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\gamma)$ . This means that there exists a subterm  $\delta < \gamma$  of one of  $\kappa, b, \xi$  such that  $\delta \notin \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha)$ . Also we have  $\{\kappa, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y)$ . Then  $\delta \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \gamma$ . By MIH we obtain  $\alpha \leq \delta \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(Y) \cap \gamma \subset Y$ .

□ of (20) and (19).

Hence we obtain  $\gamma \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ . We have  $\gamma < \beta^+ \leq \eta$  and  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$ . If  $\gamma \prec \eta$ , then the hypothesis (17) yields  $\gamma \in Y$ . In what follows assume  $\gamma \not\prec \eta$ .

If  $G_\eta(\gamma) < \gamma$ , then Proposition 3.14 yields  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\eta(Y) \cap \eta \subset Y$  by  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ .

Suppose  $G_\eta(\gamma) = \{\gamma\}$ . This means, by  $\gamma \not\prec \eta$ , that  $\gamma \prec \tau$  for a  $\tau < \eta$ . Let  $\tau$  denote the maximal such one. We have  $\gamma < \tau < \eta$ . From  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$  we see  $\tau \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y)$ . Next we show that

$$G_\eta(\tau) < \gamma \tag{21}$$

Let  $\tau = \psi_\kappa^\mu(b)$ . Then  $\eta < \kappa$  by the maximality of  $\tau$ , and  $G_\eta(\tau) = G_\eta(\{\kappa, b, \mu\}) < \tau$  by Proposition 3.13.1. On the other hand we have  $\tau \in \mathcal{H}_a(\gamma)$ . Proposition 3.13.2 yields  $G_\eta(\tau) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\gamma)$ . We see  $G_\eta(\tau) < \gamma$  inductively.

Proposition 3.14 with (21) yields  $\tau \in \mathcal{C}^\eta(Y)$ , and  $\tau \in \mathcal{C}^\eta(Y) \cap \eta \subset Y$  by  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ . Therefore  $Y \cap \eta^+ < \gamma < \tau \in Y$ . This is not the case by (18). We are done. □

**Proposition 3.22**  $\alpha \leq \mathcal{W} \cap \beta^+ \ \& \ \alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\beta(\mathcal{W}) \Rightarrow \alpha \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proof.** This is seen from Propositions 3.3, 3.6 and 7.39. □

## 3.2 Mahlo universes

In Proposition 3.9, we saw that  $\mathcal{W}$  is the maximal distinguished class, which is  $\Sigma_2^{1-}$ -definable and a proper class in  $\text{KP}\Pi_3$ .  $\mathcal{W}^P$  in Definition 3.25 denotes the maximal distinguished class *inside* a set  $P$ .  $\mathcal{W}^P$  exists as a set.

Let  $ad$  denote a  $\Pi_3^-$ -sentence such that a transitive set  $z$  is admissible iff  $(z; \in) \models ad$ . Let  $lmtad := \Leftrightarrow \forall x \exists y (x \in y \wedge ad^y)$ . Observe that  $lmtad$  is a  $\Pi_2^-$ -sentence.

**Definition 3.23**  $L$  denotes a whole universe, which is a model of  $\text{KP}\Pi_3$ .

1. By a *universe* we mean either the whole universe  $L$  or a transitive set  $Q \in L$  with  $\omega \in Q$ . Universes are denoted by  $P, Q, \dots$
2. For a universe  $P$  and a set-theoretic sentence  $\varphi$ ,  $P \models \varphi := \Leftrightarrow (P; \in) \models \varphi$ .
3. A universe  $P$  is said to be a *limit universe* if  $lmtad^P$  holds, i.e.,  $P$  is a limit of admissible sets. The class of limit universes is denoted by  $Lmtad$ .

**Lemma 3.24**  $W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X))$  as well as  $D[X]$  are absolute for limit universes  $P$ .

**Proof.** Let  $P$  be a limit universe and  $X \in \mathcal{P}(\omega) \cap P$ . Then  $W(X)$  is  $\Delta_1$  in  $P$ , and so is  $W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X))$ . Hence  $W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)) = \{\beta \in OT(\Pi_3) : P \models \beta \in W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X))\}$ , and  $D[X] \Leftrightarrow P \models D[X]$ . □



**Definition 3.25** For a universe  $P$ , let  $\mathcal{W}^P := \bigcup\{X \in P : D[X]\}$ .

**Lemma 3.26** Let  $P$  be a universe closed under finite unions, and  $\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3)$ .

1. There is a finite set  $K(\alpha) \subset OT(\Pi_3)$  such that  $\forall Y \in P \forall \gamma [K(\alpha) \cap Y = K(\alpha) \cap \mathcal{W}^P \Rightarrow (\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(\mathcal{W}^P) \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y))]$ .
2. There exists a distinguished set  $X \in P$  such that  $\forall Y \in P \forall \gamma [X \subset Y \ \& \ D[Y] \Rightarrow (\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(\mathcal{W}^P) \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(Y))]$ .

**Proof.** 3.26.1. F.e. the set of subterms of  $\alpha$  enjoys the condition for  $K(\alpha)$ .

3.26.2. By  $X, Y \in P \Rightarrow X \cup Y \in P$ , pick a distinguished set  $X \in P$  such that  $K(\alpha) \cap \mathcal{W}^P \subset X$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.27** For each limit universe  $P$ ,  $D[\mathcal{W}^P]$  holds, and  $\exists X(X = \mathcal{W}^P)$  if  $P$  is a set.

**Proof.**  $D[\mathcal{W}^P]$  is seen as in Proposition 3.9.  $\square$

For a universal  $\Pi_n$ -formula  $\Pi_n(a)$  ( $n > 0$ ) uniformly on admissibles, let

$$P \in M_2(\mathcal{C}) := P \in Lmtad \ \& \ \forall b \in P [P \models \Pi_2(b) \rightarrow \exists Q \in \mathcal{C} \cap P (Q \models \Pi_2(b))].$$

**Lemma 3.28** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a  $\Pi_0^1$ -class such that  $\mathcal{C} \subset Lmtad$ . Suppose  $P \in M_2(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^P)$ . Then there exists a universe  $Q \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^Q)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $P \in M_2(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^P)$ . First by  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}^P)$  and Lemma 3.26 pick a distinguished set  $X_0 \in P$  such that  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X_0)$  and  $K(\alpha) \cap \mathcal{W}^P \subset X_0$ . Next writing  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}^P) \cap \alpha \subset \mathcal{W}^P$  analytically we have

$$\forall \beta < \alpha [\beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}^P) \Rightarrow \exists Y \in P (D[Y] \ \& \ \beta \in Y)]$$

By Lemma 3.26 we obtain  $\beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}^P) \Leftrightarrow \exists X \in P \{D[X] \ \& \ K(\beta) \cap \mathcal{W}^P \subset X \ \& \ \beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)\}$ . Hence for any  $\beta < \alpha$  and any distinguished set  $X \in P$ , there are  $\gamma \in K(\beta)$ ,  $Z \in P$  and a distinguished set  $Y \in P$  such that if  $\gamma \in Z \ \& \ D[Z] \rightarrow \gamma \in X$  and  $\beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$ , then  $\beta \in Y$ . By Lemma 3.24  $D[X]$  is absolute for limit universes. Hence the following  $\Pi_2$ -predicate holds in the universe  $P \in M_2(\mathcal{C})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall \beta < \alpha \forall X \exists \gamma \in K(\beta) \exists Z \exists Y [\{D[X] \ \& \ (\gamma \in Z \ \& \ D[Z] \rightarrow \gamma \in X) \ \& \ \beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)\} \\ & \Rightarrow (D[Y] \ \& \ \beta \in Y)] \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Now pick a universe  $Q \in \mathcal{C} \cap P$  with  $X_0 \in Q$  and  $Q \models (22)$ . Tracing the above argument backwards in the limit universe  $Q$  we obtain  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}^Q) \cap \alpha \subset \mathcal{W}^Q$  and  $X_0 \subset \mathcal{W}^Q = \bigcup\{X \in Q : Q \models D[X]\} \in P$ . Thus Lemma 3.26 yields  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}^Q)$ . We obtain  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^Q)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.29** We define the class  $M_2(\alpha)$  of  $\alpha$ -recursively Mahlo universes for  $\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3)$  as follows:

$$P \in M_2(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow P \in Lmtad \ \& \ \forall \beta \prec \alpha [SC_{\mathbb{K}}(m_2(\beta)) \subset \mathcal{W}^P \Rightarrow P \in M_2(M_2(\beta))] \quad (23)$$

$M_2(\alpha)$  is a  $\Pi_3$ -class.

**Proposition 3.30** *If  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ , then  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(m_2(\eta)) \subset Y$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\nu = m_2(\eta)$ . Then  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \eta$  by (9). From  $\eta \in \mathcal{C}^\eta(Y)$  we see  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \mathcal{C}^\eta(Y)$ . Hence  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \mathcal{C}^\eta(Y) \cap \eta \subset Y$  by  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(Y)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.31** *If  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^P)$  and  $P \in M_2(M_2(\eta))$ , then  $\eta \in \mathcal{W}^P$ .*

**Proof.** We show this by induction on  $\in$ . Suppose, as IH, the lemma holds for any  $Q \in P$ . By Lemma 3.28 pick a  $Q \in P$  such that  $Q \in M_2(\eta)$ , and for  $Y = \mathcal{W}^Q \in P$ ,  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset Y$  and

$$\eta \in \mathcal{G}(Y) \tag{16}$$

On the other the definition (23) yields  $\forall \gamma \prec \eta [SC_{\mathbb{K}}(m_2(\gamma)) \subset \mathcal{W}^Q \Rightarrow Q \in M_2(M_2(\gamma))]$ . Hence by Proposition 3.30  $\forall \gamma \prec \eta [\gamma \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^Q) \Rightarrow Q \in M_2(M_2(\gamma))]$ . IH yields with  $Y = \mathcal{W}^Q$

$$\forall \gamma \prec \eta (\gamma \in \mathcal{G}(Y) \Rightarrow \gamma \in Y) \tag{17}$$

Therefore by Lemma 3.21 we conclude  $\eta \in X$  and  $D[X]$  for  $X = W(\mathcal{C}^\eta(Y)) \cap \eta^+$ .  $X \in P$  follows from  $Y \in P \in Lmtad$ . Consequently  $\eta \in \mathcal{W}^P$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.32** 1.  $\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \mathbb{K} = \mathcal{W} \cap \mathbb{K}$ .

2.  $\mathbb{K} \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$ .

3. For each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $TI[\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1)]$ .

**Proof.** We show Lemma 3.32.3. It suffices to show  $TI[\mathcal{W}]$ . Assume  $Prg[\mathcal{W}, A]$  for a formula  $A$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{W}$ . Pick a distinguished set  $X$  such that  $\alpha \in X$ . Then  $X \cap \alpha^+ = \mathcal{W} \cap \alpha^+$ , and hence  $Prg[X \cap (\alpha + 1), A]$ .  $Wo[X]$  yields  $A(\alpha)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.33**  $\forall \eta [m_2(\eta) \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1) \Rightarrow L \in M_2(M_2(\eta))]$  holds for each  $n \in \omega$ .

**Proof.** We show the lemma by induction on  $\nu = m_2(\eta) \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$  up to each  $\omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ . Suppose  $\nu \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $L \models \Pi_2(b)$  for a  $b \in L$ . We have to find a universe  $Q \in L$  such that  $b \in Q$ ,  $Q \in M_2(\eta)$  and  $Q \models \Pi_2(b)$ .

By the definition (23)  $L \in M_2(\eta)$  is equivalent to  $\forall \gamma \prec \eta [m_2(\gamma) \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \Rightarrow L \in M_2(M_2(\gamma))]$ . We obtain  $\gamma \prec \eta \Rightarrow m_2(\gamma) < m_2(\eta) = \nu$ . Thus IH yields  $L \in M_2(\eta)$ . Let  $g$  be a primitive recursive function in the sense of set theory such that  $L \in M_2(\eta) \Leftrightarrow P \models \Pi_3(g(\eta))$ . Then  $L \models \Pi_2(b) \wedge \Pi_3(g(\eta))$ . Since this is a  $\Pi_3$ -formula which holds in a  $\Pi_3$ -reflecting universe  $L$ , we conclude for some  $Q \in L$ ,  $Q \models \Pi_2(b) \wedge \Pi_3(g(\eta))$  and hence  $Q \in M_2(\eta)$ . We are done.  $\square$

**Remark 3.34** Only here we need  $\Pi_3$ -reflection. Therefore it suffices for a whole universe  $L$  to admit iterations of  $\Pi_2$ -recursively Mahlo operations along a well founded relation  $\prec$  which is  $\Sigma$  on  $L$ :  $L \in M_2^\prec(\mu) = \bigcap \{M_2(M_2^\prec(\nu)) : L \models \nu \prec \mu\}$ . Hence our wellfoundednes proof is formalizable in a set theory axiomatizing such universes  $L$ .

**Lemma 3.35** For each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $m_2(\eta) < \omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1) \& \eta \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}) \Rightarrow \eta \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Proof.** Assume  $\nu = m_2(\eta) < \omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1)$  and  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ . By Proposition 3.30 we obtain  $\nu \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$ . Lemma 3.33 yields  $L \in M_2(M_2(\eta))$ . From this we see  $L \in M_2(\mathcal{C})$  with  $\mathcal{C} = M_2(M_2(\eta))$  as in the proof of Lemma 3.33 using  $\Pi_3$ -reflection of the whole universe  $L$  once again. Then by Lemma 3.28 pick a set  $P \in L$  such that  $\eta \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W}^P)$  and  $P \in \mathcal{C} = M_2(M_2(\eta))$ . Lemma 3.31 yields  $\eta \in \mathcal{W}^P \subset \mathcal{W}$ .  $\square$

### 3.3 Well-foundedness proof (concluded)

**Definition 3.36** For terms  $\alpha, \kappa, \delta \in OT(\Pi_3)$ , finite sets  $\mathcal{E}(\alpha), K_\delta(\alpha), k_\delta(\alpha) \subset OT(\Pi_3)$  are defined recursively as follows.

1.  $\mathcal{E}(\alpha) = \emptyset$  for  $\alpha \in \{0, \Omega, \mathbb{K}\}$ .  $\mathcal{E}(\alpha_m + \dots + \alpha_0) = \bigcup_{i \leq m} \mathcal{E}(\alpha_i)$ .  $\mathcal{E}(\varphi\beta\gamma) = \mathcal{E}(\beta) \cup \mathcal{E}(\gamma)$ .  $\mathcal{E}(\psi_\pi^\nu(a)) = \{\psi_\pi^\nu(a)\}$ .
2.  $\mathcal{A}(\alpha) = \bigcup \{\mathcal{A}(\beta) : \beta \in \mathcal{E}(\alpha)\}$  for  $\mathcal{A} \in \{K_\delta, k_\delta\}$ .
3.  $K_\delta(\psi_\pi^\nu(a)) = \begin{cases} \{a\} \cup K_\delta(\{\pi, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu)) & \psi_\pi^\nu(a) \geq \delta \\ \emptyset & \psi_\pi^\nu(a) < \delta \end{cases}$ .
4.  $k_\delta(\psi_\pi^\nu(a)) = \begin{cases} \{\psi_\pi^\nu(a)\} \cup k_\delta(\{\pi, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu)) & \psi_\pi^\nu(a) \geq \delta \\ \emptyset & \psi_\pi^\nu(a) < \delta \end{cases}$ .

Note that  $K_\delta(\alpha) < a \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \mathcal{H}_a(\delta)$ .

**Definition 3.37** For  $a, \nu \in OT(\Pi_3)$ , define:

$$A(a, \nu) \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \forall \sigma \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})[\psi_\sigma^\nu(a) \in OT(\Pi_3) \Rightarrow \psi_\sigma^\nu(a) \in \mathcal{W}]. \quad (24)$$

$$\text{MIH}(a) \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \forall b \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap a \forall \nu \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) A(b, \nu). \quad (25)$$

$$\text{SIH}(a, \nu) \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \forall \xi \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})[\xi < \nu \Rightarrow A(a, \xi)]. \quad (26)$$

**Lemma 3.38** For each  $n$  the following holds: Assume  $\{a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ ,  $\text{MIH}(a)$ , and  $\text{SIH}(a, \nu)$  in Definition 3.37. Then

$$\forall \kappa \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})[\psi_\kappa^\nu(a) \in OT(\Pi_3) \Rightarrow \psi_\kappa^\nu(a) \in \mathcal{W}].$$

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha_1 = \psi_\kappa^\nu(a) \in OT(\Pi_3)$  with  $\{a, \kappa, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $\nu \leq a < \omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ , cf. (9). By Lemma 3.35 it suffices to show  $\alpha_1 \in \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{W})$ .

By Proposition 3.6 we have  $\{\kappa, a, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$ , and hence  $\alpha_1 \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$ . It suffices to show the following claim.

$$\forall \beta_1 \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \alpha_1[\beta_1 \in \mathcal{W}]. \quad (27)$$

**Proof** of (27) by induction on  $\ell\beta_1$ . Assume  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \alpha_1$  and let

$$\text{LIH} :\Leftrightarrow \forall \gamma \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \alpha_1[\ell\gamma < \ell\beta_1 \Rightarrow \gamma \in \mathcal{W}].$$

We show  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{W}$ . By Propositions 3.18, 3.19 and LIH, we may assume that  $\beta_1 = \psi_\pi^\xi(b)$  for some  $\pi, b, \xi$  such that  $\{\pi, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$ .

$\beta_1 = \psi_\pi^\xi(b) < \psi_\kappa^\nu(a) = \alpha_1$  holds iff one of the following holds: (1)  $\pi \leq \alpha_1$ . (2)  $b < a$ ,  $\beta_1 < \kappa$  and  $\{\pi, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha_1)$ . (3)  $b = a$ ,  $\pi = \kappa$ ,  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha_1)$  and  $\xi < \nu$ . (4)  $a \leq b$  and  $\{\kappa, a, \nu\} \not\subset \mathcal{H}_b(\beta_1)$ .

**Case 1.**  $\pi \leq \alpha_1$ : Then  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  by  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$ .

**Case 2.**  $b < a$ ,  $\beta_1 < \kappa$  and  $\{\pi, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha_1)$ : Let  $B$  denote a set of subterms of  $\beta_1$  defined recursively as follows. First  $\{\pi, b\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\xi) \subset B$ . Let  $\alpha_1 \leq \beta \in B$ . If  $\beta =_{NF} \gamma_m + \dots + \gamma_0$ , then  $\{\gamma_i : i \leq m\} \subset B$ . If  $\beta =_{NF} \varphi\gamma\delta$ , then  $\{\gamma, \delta\} \subset B$ . If  $\beta = \psi_\sigma^\mu(c)$ , then  $\{\sigma, c\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\mu) \subset B$ .

Then from  $\{\pi, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$  we see inductively that  $B \subset \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$ . Hence by LIH we obtain  $B \cap \alpha_1 \subset \mathcal{W}$ . Moreover if  $\alpha_1 \leq \psi_\sigma^\mu(c) \in B$ , then we see  $c < a$  from  $\{\pi, b, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha_1)$ . We claim that

$$\forall \beta \in B (\beta \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})) \quad (28)$$

**Proof** of (28) by induction on  $\ell\beta$ . Let  $\beta \in B$ . We can assume that  $\alpha_1 \leq \beta = \psi_\sigma^\mu(c)$  by induction hypothesis on the lengths. Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\{\sigma, c\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\mu) \subset \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$ . On the other hand we have  $\mu \leq c < a$  by (9). MIH( $a$ ) yields  $\beta \in \mathcal{W}$ . Thus (28) is shown.  $\square$

In particular we obtain  $\{\pi, b\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\xi) \subset \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$ . Moreover we have  $\xi \leq b < a$  by (9). Therefore once again MIH( $a$ ) yields  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Case 3.**  $b = a$ ,  $\pi = \kappa$ ,  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha_1)$  and  $\xi < \nu \leq a$ : As in (28) we see that  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\xi) \subset \mathcal{W}$  from MIH( $a$ ). SIH( $a, \nu$ ) yields  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{W}$ .

**Case 4.**  $a \leq b$  and  $\{\kappa, a, \nu\} \not\subset \mathcal{H}_b(\beta_1)$ : It suffices to find a  $\gamma$  such that  $\beta_1 \leq \gamma \in \mathcal{W} \cap \alpha_1$ . Then  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{W}$  follows from  $\beta_1 \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_1}(\mathcal{W})$  and Proposition 3.22.

$k_\delta(\alpha)$  denotes the set in Definition 3.36. In general we see that  $a \in K_\delta(\alpha)$  iff  $\psi_\sigma^h(a) \in k_\delta(\alpha)$  for some  $\sigma, h$ , and for each  $\psi_\sigma^h(a) \in k_\delta(\psi_{\sigma_0}^{h_0}(a_0))$  there exists a sequence  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i \leq m}$  of subterms of  $\alpha_0 = \psi_{\sigma_0}^{h_0}(a_0)$  such that  $\alpha_m = \psi_\sigma^h(a)$ ,  $\alpha_i = \psi_{\sigma_i}^{h_i}(a_i)$  for some  $\sigma_i, a_i, h_i$ , and for each  $i < m$ ,  $\delta \leq \alpha_{i+1} \in \mathcal{E}(C_i)$  for  $C_i = \{\sigma_i, a_i\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(h_i)$ .

Let  $\delta \in SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \cup \{\kappa, a\}$  such that  $b \leq \gamma$  for a  $\gamma \in K_{\beta_1}(\delta)$ . Pick an  $\alpha_2 = \psi_{\sigma_2}^{h_2}(a_2) \in \mathcal{E}(\delta)$  such that  $\gamma \in K_{\beta_1}(\alpha_2)$ , and an  $\alpha_m = \psi_{\sigma_m}^{h_m}(a_m) \in k_{\beta_1}(\alpha_2)$  for some  $\sigma_m, h_m$  and  $a_m \geq b \geq a$ . We have  $\alpha_2 \in \mathcal{W}$  by  $\delta \in \mathcal{W}$ . If  $\alpha_2 < \alpha_1$ , then  $\beta_1 \leq \alpha_2 \in \mathcal{W} \cap \alpha_1$ , and we are done. Assume  $\alpha_2 \geq \alpha_1$ . Then  $a_2 \in K_{\alpha_1}(\alpha_2) < a \leq b$ , and  $m > 2$ .

Let  $\{\alpha_i\}_{2 \leq i \leq m}$  be the sequence of subterms of  $\alpha_2$  such that  $\alpha_i = \psi_{\sigma_i}^{h_i}(a_i)$  for some  $\sigma_i, a_i, h_i$ , and for each  $i < m$ ,  $\beta_1 \leq \alpha_{i+1} \in \mathcal{E}(C_i)$  for  $C_i = \{\sigma_i, a_i\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(h_i)$ .

Let  $\{n_j\}_{0 \leq j \leq k}$  ( $0 < k \leq m - 2$ ) be the increasing sequence  $n_0 < n_1 < \dots < n_k \leq m$  defined recursively by  $n_0 = 2$ , and assuming  $n_j$  has been defined so that  $n_j < m$  and  $\alpha_{n_j} \geq \alpha_1$ ,  $n_{j+1}$  is defined by  $n_{j+1} = \min(\{i : n_j < i < m, \alpha_i < \alpha_{n_j}\} \cup \{m\})$ . If either  $n_j = m$  or  $\alpha_{n_j} < \alpha_1$ , then  $k = j$  and  $n_{j+1}$  is undefined. Then we claim that

$$\forall j \leq k (\alpha_{n_j} \in \mathcal{W}) \ \& \ \alpha_{n_k} < \alpha_1 \quad (29)$$

**Proof** of (29). By induction on  $j \leq k$  we show first that  $\forall j \leq k (\alpha_{n_j} \in \mathcal{W})$ . We have  $\alpha_{n_0} = \alpha_2 \in \mathcal{W}$ . Assume  $\alpha_{n_j} \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $j < k$ . Then  $n_j < m$ , i.e.,  $\alpha_{n_{j+1}} < \alpha_{n_j}$ , and by  $\alpha_{n_j} \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_{n_j}}(\mathcal{W})$ , we have  $C_{n_j} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_{n_j}}(\mathcal{W})$ , and hence  $\alpha_{n_{j+1}} \in \mathcal{E}(C_{n_j}) \subset \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_{n_j}}(\mathcal{W})$ . We see inductively that  $\alpha_i \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_{n_j}}(\mathcal{W})$  for any  $i$  with  $n_j \leq i \leq n_{j+1}$ . Therefore  $\alpha_{n_{j+1}} \in \mathcal{C}^{\alpha_{n_j}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \alpha_{n_j} \subset \mathcal{W}$  by Proposition 3.22.

Next we show that  $\alpha_{n_k} < \alpha_1$ . We can assume that  $n_k = m$ . This means that  $\forall i (n_{k-1} \leq i < m \Rightarrow \alpha_i \geq \alpha_{n_{k-1}})$ . We have  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_{n_0} > \alpha_{n_1} > \dots > \alpha_{n_{k-1}} \geq \alpha_1$ , and  $\forall i < m (\alpha_i \geq \alpha_1)$ . Therefore  $\alpha_m \in k_{\alpha_1}(\alpha_2) \subset k_{\alpha_1}(\{\kappa, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(h))$ , i.e.,  $a_m \in K_{\alpha_1}(\{\kappa, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(h))$  for  $\alpha_m = \psi_{\sigma_m}^{h_m}(a_m)$ . On the other hand we have  $K_{\alpha_1}(\{\kappa, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(h)) < a$  for  $\alpha_1 = \psi_{\sigma}^h(a)$ . Thus  $a \leq a_m < a$ , a contradiction. (29) is shown, and we obtain  $\beta_1 \leq \alpha_{n_k} \in \mathcal{W} \cap \alpha_1$ .

This completes a proof of (27) and of the lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.39** For each  $\alpha \in OT(\Pi_3)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W})$ .

**Proof.** This is seen by meta-induction on  $\ell\alpha$ . By Propositions 3.18, 3.19, and Lemma 3.32, we may assume  $\alpha = \psi_{\kappa}^{\nu}(a)$ . By IH pick an  $n < \omega$  such that  $\{\kappa, \nu, a\} \subset \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \omega_{n+1}(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ . Lemma 3.38 yields  $\alpha \in \mathcal{W}$ .  $\square$

Theorem 3.1 follows from Lemma 3.39 and the fact  $\mathcal{W} \cap \Omega = W(\mathcal{C}^0(\emptyset)) \cap \Omega = W(OT(\Pi_3)) \cap \Omega$ .

## 4 $\Pi_4$ -reflection

In this paper we focus on the ordinal analysis of  $\Pi_3$  reflection. This means no genuine loss of generality, as the removal of  $\Pi_3$  reflection rules in derivations already exhibits the pattern of cut elimination that applies for arbitrary  $\Pi_n$  reflection rules as well. ([Rathjen94])

In this section  $\mathbb{K}$  denotes either a  $\Pi_2^1$ -inaccessible cardinal or a  $\Pi_4$ -reflecting ordinal. Skolem hull  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  and a Mahlo class  $Mh_3^a(\xi)$  are defined as in Definition 2.2: Let for  $\xi > 0$ ,

$$\pi \in Mh_3^a(\xi) :\Leftrightarrow [\{a, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \ \& \ \forall \nu \in \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \cap \xi (\pi \in M_3(Mh_3^a(\nu)))]$$

where  $\alpha \in M_3(A)$  iff  $A$  is  $\Pi_1^1$ -inaccessible in  $\alpha$  or  $\alpha$  is  $\Pi_3$ -reflecting on  $A$ .

Then as in (8)

$$\psi_{\pi}^{\xi}(a) = \min(\{\pi\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_3^a(\xi) : \{\xi, \pi, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \ \& \ \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \pi \subset \kappa\})$$

where  $\xi = m_3(\psi_{\pi}^{\xi}(a))$ .

As in Lemmas 2.3 and 2.4 we see the following for  $\Pi_2^1$ -inaccessible cardinal  $\mathbb{K}$ .

**Lemma 4.1** Let  $a \in \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K}) \cap \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ . Then  $\mathbb{K} \in M_3(Mh_3^a(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}))$ . For every  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K}) \cap \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{\xi}(a) < \mathbb{K}$ .

Operator controlled derivations for  $\text{KPII}_4$  are closed under the following inference rules. For convenience let us attach an assignment  $\bar{m} : \pi \mapsto \bar{m}(\pi) = (\bar{m}_2(\pi), \bar{m}_3(\pi))$  to the derivations, where  $\bar{m}_i(\pi) \leq m_i(\pi)$  for  $i = 2, 3$ . Although our derivability relation should be written as  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta], \bar{m}) \vdash_b^a \Gamma$ , let us write  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$ .

( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_4}(\mathbb{K})$ )  $b \geq \mathbb{K}$ . There exist an ordinal  $a_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap a$ , and a  $\Sigma_4(\mathbb{K})$ -sentence  $A$  enjoying the following conditions:

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg A \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})} : \rho < \mathbb{K}\}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfI}_{\Pi_4}(\mathbb{K}))$$

( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_3}(\alpha, \pi, \nu)$ ) There exist ordinals  $\alpha < \pi \leq b < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\nu < \bar{m}_3(\pi) \leq m_3(\pi)$  with  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \pi$  and  $\nu \leq \gamma$ ,  $a_0 < a$ , and a finite set  $\Delta$  of  $\Sigma_3(\pi)$ -sentences enjoying the following conditions:

1.  $\{\alpha, \pi, \nu\} \cup \bar{m}(\pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ .
2. For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta$ .
3. Let

$$\rho \in Mh_3(\nu) :\Leftrightarrow \nu \leq m_3(\rho).$$

Then for each  $\alpha < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho)}$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\alpha < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfI}_{\Pi_3}(\alpha, \pi, \nu))$$

Finite proofs in  $\text{KPII}_4$  are embedded to controlled derivations with inferences ( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_4}(\mathbb{K})$ ), and then ( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_4}(\mathbb{K})$ ) is replaced by inferences ( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_3}(\alpha, \pi, \nu)$ ) as in Lemma 2.5.

**Lemma 4.2** *Assume  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_3(\mathbb{K})$ ,  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \Gamma$  with  $a \leq \gamma$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}$  holds for every  $\kappa \in Mh_3(a) \cap \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K} \cdot \omega)$  such that  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K}) < \kappa$ , where  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^{\mathbb{K}+a}$  and  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a})$ .*

Let us try to eliminate inferences ( $\text{rfI}_{\Pi_3}(\alpha, \pi, \nu)$ ) from the resulting derivations following the proof of Lemma 2.5. Let  $Mh_2(\xi; a)$  be a Mahlo class for which the following holds.

**Lemma 4.3** *Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_2(\pi)$  with  $\xi = m_3(\pi)$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\pi}^a \Gamma$ . Then for any  $\kappa \in Mh_2(\xi; a) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi}^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  holds<sup>1</sup>.*

<sup>1</sup>Here we don't need to collapse derivations and cut ranks  $< \pi$ .

Consider the crucial case. Let  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_3(\pi)$ ,  $\pi \in Mh_3(\xi)$  and  $\nu < \xi$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\frac{a_0}{\pi}} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_{\frac{a_0}{\pi}} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)} : \alpha < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \pi\}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\frac{a}{\pi}} \Gamma} \text{ (rf}\Pi_3(\alpha, \pi, \nu))$$

Let  $\sigma \in Mh_2(\xi; a_0) \cap \kappa$ . By IH with Inversion we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\frac{\kappa + \omega a_0 + 1}{\pi}} \Gamma^{(\sigma, \pi)}, \neg\delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ .

On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\frac{a_0}{\pi}} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}$  for  $\alpha < \sigma \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \pi$ . Assume  $Mh_2(\xi; a) \subset Mh_2(\xi; a_0)$ . IH yields  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\frac{\kappa + \omega a_0}{\pi}} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \Delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}$ .

Let  $\alpha < \sigma \in Mh_2(\xi; a_0) \cap Mh_3(\nu) \cap \kappa$ . A (*cut*) of the cut formulas  $\delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}$  then yields  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\frac{\kappa + \omega a_0 + p}{\pi}} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \Gamma^{(\sigma, \pi)}$  for a  $p < \omega$ .

On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_0^{2d} \neg\theta^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  for each  $\theta \in \Gamma \subset \Sigma_2(\pi)$ , where  $d = \max\{\text{rk}(\theta^{(\kappa, \pi)}) : \theta \in \Gamma\} < \kappa + \omega < \pi$ .

Now  $\kappa \in Mh_2(\xi; a) \cap \pi$  needs to reflect  $\Pi_2(\kappa)$ -formulas  $\neg\theta^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  down to some  $\alpha < \sigma \in Mh_2(\xi; a_0) \cap Mh_3(\nu) \cap \kappa$ .

$$a_0 < a \ \& \ \nu < \xi \Rightarrow Mh_2(\xi; a) \subset M_2(Mh_2(\xi; a_0) \cap Mh_3(\nu))$$

Thus we arrive at the following definition of the Mahlo classes  $Mh_2^\gamma(\xi; a)$ , which is a  $\Pi_3$ -class in the sense that there is a  $\Pi_3$ -formula  $\theta(\gamma, \xi, a)$  such that  $\alpha \in Mh_2^\gamma(\xi; a)$  iff  $L_\alpha \models \theta(\gamma, \xi, a)$ , while  $Mh_3^\gamma(\nu)$  is a  $\Pi_4$ -class.

$\pi \in Mh_2^\gamma(\xi; a)$  iff  $\{\gamma, \xi, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\pi)$  and

$$\forall \{\nu, b\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\pi) [\nu < \xi \ \& \ b < a \Rightarrow \pi \in M_2(Mh_2^\gamma(\xi; b) \cap Mh_3^\gamma(\nu))].$$

It turns out that we need Mahlo classes  $Mh_2^\gamma(\bar{\xi}; \bar{a})$  for finite sequences  $\bar{\xi}$  and  $\bar{a}$  in our proof-theoretic study, cf. Lemma 4.13. Let us explain the classes intuitively in the next subsection.

#### 4.1 Mahlo classes

Let  $M_i = RM_i$  and  $P, Q, \dots$  denote transitive classes in  $L \cup \{L\}$  for a  $\Pi_4$ -reflecting universe  $L$ . For classes  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}$  and  $i = 2, 3$  let

$$\mathcal{X} \prec_i \mathcal{Y} :\Leftrightarrow \forall P \in \mathcal{Y} (P \in M_i(\mathcal{X}))$$

**Definition 4.4** Let

$$M_2(\xi; a) := \bigcap \{M_2(M_2(\xi; b) \cap M_3(\nu)) : \nu < \xi, b < a\}.$$

In general for classes  $\mathcal{Y}$  let

$$M_2^\mathcal{Y}(\xi; a) := \mathcal{Y} \cap \bigcap \{M_2(M_2^\mathcal{Y}(\xi; b) \cap M_3(\nu)) : \nu < \xi, b < a\}.$$

**Proposition 4.5** For a  $\Pi_3$ -class  $\mathcal{Y}$  and  $\mu < \xi$ ,  $M_2^\mathcal{Y}(\xi; a) \cap M_3(\mu) \prec_2 \mathcal{Y} \cap M_3(\xi)$  and  $M_2^\mathcal{Y}(\xi; a) \supset \mathcal{Y} \cap M_3(\xi)$ .

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$ , we show  $P \in \mathcal{Y} \cap M_3(\xi) \Rightarrow P \in M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; a)$ .

Let  $P \in \mathcal{Y} \cap M_3(\xi)$ ,  $\nu < \xi$  and  $b < a$ . By IH we obtain  $P \in M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; b)$ . Since  $M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; b)$  is a  $\Pi_3$ -class, we obtain  $P \in M_2(M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; b) \cap M_3(\nu))$  by  $P \in M_3(\xi)$ . Therefore  $P \in M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; a)$ .

Since  $M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; a)$  is a  $\Pi_3$ -class and  $P \in M_3(\xi) \subset M_3(M_3(\mu))$ , we obtain  $P \in M_2(M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; a) \cap M_3(\mu))$ .  $\square$

Let  $\nu < \mu < \xi$ . From Proposition 4.5 we see  $M_2(\xi; a) \cap M_3(\mu) \prec_2 M_3(\xi)$ , and  $M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\mu; b) \cap M_3(\nu) \prec_2 \mathcal{Y} \cap M_3(\mu)$  for  $\mathcal{Y} = M_2(\xi; a)$ .

Let us write  $M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, b))$  for  $M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\mu; b)$ , where  $\xi > \mu$ . Let  $\nu < \mu < \xi$ . We obtain  $M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, b)) \cap M_3(\nu) \prec_2 M_2(\xi; a) \cap M_3(\mu) \prec_2 M_3(\xi)$ .

**Proposition 4.6** *Let  $\xi_1, \zeta < \xi$ ,  $c < b$  and  $d < a$ . Then  $M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, c)) \cap M_3(\nu) \prec_2 M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, b))$  and  $M_2((\xi, \xi_1); (d, e)) \cap M_3(\zeta) \prec_2 M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, b))$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{Y} = M_2(\xi; a)$ . Then  $M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, c)) \cap M_3(\nu) = M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\mu; c) \cap M_3(\nu) \prec_2 M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\mu; b) = M_2((\xi, \mu); (a, b))$  by  $c < b$  and  $\nu < \mu$ .

Next we show  $M_2^{\mathcal{X}}(\xi_1; e) \cap M_3(\zeta) \prec_2 \mathcal{Y} \supset M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\mu; b)$ , where  $\mathcal{X} = M_2(\xi; d)$  and  $M_2((\xi, \xi_1); (d, e)) = M_2^{\mathcal{X}}(\xi_1; e)$ . We have  $\mathcal{X} \cap M_3(\xi_1) \cap M_3(\zeta) = M_2(\xi; d) \cap M_3(\xi_1) \cap M_3(\zeta) \prec_2 M_2(\xi; a) = \mathcal{Y}$  by  $d < a$  and  $\xi_1, \zeta < \xi$ . On the other hand we have  $M_2^{\mathcal{X}}(\xi_1; e) \supset \mathcal{X} \cap M_3(\xi_1)$  by Proposition 4.5. Hence  $M_2^{\mathcal{X}}(\xi_1; e) \cap M_3(\zeta) \prec_2 \mathcal{Y}$ .  $\square$

The same argument applies not only to pairs  $(\xi > \mu)$ ,  $(a, b)$ , but also to triples, and so forth.

Let  $\bar{\xi} = (\xi_0 > \xi_1 > \dots > \xi_n)$  and  $\bar{a} = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$  be sequences in the same lengths. By iterating the process  $\mathcal{Y} \mapsto \{M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; a)\}_a$  with  $M_3(\xi)$ , we now define classes  $M_2(\bar{\xi}; \bar{a})$  by induction on the length  $n$  of the sequences  $\bar{\xi}, \bar{a}$  as follows.

$M_2(\langle \rangle; \langle \rangle)$  denotes the class of transitive sets in  $L \cup \{L\}$ .

For  $\bar{\xi} * (\xi) = (\xi_0 > \dots > \xi_n > \xi)$  and  $\bar{a} * (a) = (a_0, \dots, a_n, a)$  define for the  $\Pi_3$ -class  $\mathcal{Y} = M_2(\bar{\xi}; \bar{a})$

$$M_2(\bar{\xi} * (\xi); \bar{a} * (a)) = M_2^{\mathcal{Y}}(\xi; a)$$

Namely

$$M_2(\bar{\xi} * (\xi); \bar{a} * (a)) = M_2(\bar{\xi}; \bar{a}) \cap \bigcap \{M_2(M_2(\bar{\xi} * (\xi); \bar{a} * (b)) \cap M_3(\nu)) : \nu < \xi, b < a\}$$

Proposition 4.6 is extended to finite sequences. To state an extension, let us redefine classes  $M_2(\bar{\xi}; \bar{a})$  through ordinals  $\alpha = \Lambda^{\xi_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\xi_n} a_n$  as follows, where  $\Lambda$  is a big enough ordinal such that  $\Lambda > a_0$ .

Let  $\alpha = \Lambda^{\xi_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\xi_n} a_n$ , where  $\xi_0 > \dots > \xi_n$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_n \neq 0$ .

$$M_2(\alpha) := \bigcap \{M_2(M_2(\beta) \cap M_3(\nu)) : (\beta, \nu) < \alpha\}$$

where for segments  $\alpha_i = \Lambda^{\xi_i} a_i$  of  $\alpha = \Lambda^{\xi_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\xi_n} a_n$

$$(\beta, \nu) < \alpha \Leftrightarrow \exists i \leq n [\beta < \alpha_i \ \& \ \nu < \xi_i].$$



F.e. in Proposition 4.6 we have  $(\Lambda^\xi a + \Lambda^\mu c, \nu) < \Lambda^\xi a + \Lambda^\mu b$  and  $(\Lambda^\xi d + \Lambda^{\xi_1} e, \zeta) < \Lambda^\xi a + \Lambda^\mu b$ , but  $(\Lambda^\xi a + \Lambda^\mu c, \mu) \not< \Lambda^\xi a + \Lambda^\mu b$ , where  $\nu < \mu < \xi$ ,  $\xi_1, \zeta < \xi$ ,  $c < b$  and  $d < a$ .

**Proposition 4.7**  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha < \gamma \Rightarrow (\beta, \nu) < \gamma$ .

$\alpha \dot{+} \beta$  designates that  $\alpha + \beta = \alpha \# \beta$ .

**Lemma 4.8** (Cf. Lemma 3.2 in [A09].)

If  $\xi > 0$  and  $\beta < \Lambda^{\xi+1}$ , then  $M_2(\alpha \dot{+} \beta) \prec_2 M_2(\alpha, \xi) := M_2(\alpha) \cap M_3(\xi)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $P \in M_2(\alpha, \xi) = M_2(\alpha) \cap M_3(\xi)$  and  $\beta < \Lambda^{\xi+1}$ .

We show  $P \in M_2(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)$  by induction on ordinals  $\beta$ . Let  $(\gamma, \nu) < \alpha \dot{+} \beta$ . We need to show that  $P \in M_2(M_2(\gamma, \nu))$ .

Let  $\delta$  be a segment of  $\alpha \dot{+} \beta$  such that  $\gamma < \delta$  and  $\nu < \mu$  where  $\delta = \dots + \Lambda^\mu b$ . If  $\delta$  is a segment of  $\alpha$ , then  $P \in M_2(M_2(\gamma, \nu))$  by  $P \in M_2(\alpha)$ .

Let  $\delta = \alpha \dot{+} \beta_0$ , where  $\beta_0$  is a segment of  $\beta$ . Then  $\nu < \mu \leq \xi$ . We claim that  $P \in M_2(\gamma)$ . If  $\gamma < \alpha$ , then Proposition 4.7 yields  $P \in M_2(\alpha) \subset M_2(\gamma)$ . Let  $\gamma = \alpha \dot{+} \gamma_0 < \alpha \dot{+} \beta_0$ . IH yields  $P \in M_2(\gamma)$ . Thus the claim is shown. On the other hand we have  $P \in M_3(\xi)$  and  $\nu < \xi$ . Since  $M_2(\gamma)$  is a  $\Pi_3$ -class, we obtain  $P \in M_3(M_2(\gamma, \nu)) \subset M_2(M_2(\gamma, \nu))$ .  $P \in M_2(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)$  is shown.

By  $P \in M_2(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)$  and  $P \in M_3(\xi) \subset M_3$  with  $\xi > 0$ , we obtain  $P \in M_3(M_2(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)) \subset M_2(M_2(\alpha \dot{+} \beta))$ .  $\square$

## 4.2 Skolem hulls and collapsing functions

We can assume  $\xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  and  $a < \Lambda = \mathbb{K}$ . For  $\alpha < \Lambda^{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}$ , let us define  $Mh_2^\gamma(\alpha)$  as follows.  $(\beta, \nu)$  denotes pairs of ordinals  $\beta < \Lambda^{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}$  and  $\nu < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  such that  $\beta + \Lambda^\nu = \beta \# \Lambda^\nu$ . Let  $\alpha = \Lambda^{\beta_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\beta_n} a_n$ , where  $\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1} > \beta_0 > \dots > \beta_n$  and  $0 < a_0, \dots, a_n < \Lambda$ . Then  $\pi \in Mh_2^\gamma(\alpha)$  iff  $\{\gamma, \alpha\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\pi)$  and

$$\forall \{\nu, \beta\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\pi) [(\beta, \nu) < \alpha \Rightarrow \pi \in M_2(Mh_2^\gamma(\beta) \cap Mh_2^\gamma(\nu))]$$

where for segments  $\alpha_i = \Lambda^{\beta_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\beta_i} a_i$  of  $\alpha = \Lambda^{\beta_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\beta_n} a_n$

$$(\beta, \nu) < \alpha :\Leftrightarrow \exists i \leq n [\beta < \alpha_i \ \& \ \nu < \beta_i].$$

For example, if  $\nu < \xi$  and  $a_0 < a$ , then  $(\Lambda^\xi a_0, \nu) < \Lambda^\xi a$ . The exponents  $\beta_i$  of  $\alpha$  designate ‘ $\Pi_3$ -Mahlo degrees’.

**Proposition 4.9**  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha < \gamma \Rightarrow (\beta, \nu) < \gamma$ .

**Definition 4.10** Define simultaneously by recursion on ordinals  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  the classes  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  ( $X \subset \Gamma_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ),  $Mh_2^a(\alpha)$  ( $\xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ), the ordinals  $\psi_\sigma^{(\alpha, \xi)}(a)$  as follows.

1.  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  denotes the Skolem hull of  $\{0, \Omega, \mathbb{K}\} \cup X$  under the functions  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ , and the following.

Let  $\{\sigma, b, \alpha, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(X)$ ,  $\alpha \in \{0\} \cup [\Lambda, \Lambda^{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}})$ ,  $\xi \in [0, \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1})$  and  $b < a$ . Then  $\psi_\sigma^{(\alpha, \xi)}(b) \in \mathcal{H}_a(X)$ .

2.  $\pi \in Mh_3^a(\xi) :\Leftrightarrow \{a, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \& \forall \nu \in \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \cap \xi (\pi \in M_3(Mh_3^a(\nu)))$ ,  
where  $\alpha \in Mh_3^a(0)$  iff  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal.

3. For  $\alpha < \Lambda^{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}$  and  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $\pi \in Mh_2^a(\alpha)$  iff  $\{a, \alpha\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$  and

$$\forall \{\beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) [(\beta, \nu) < \alpha \rightarrow \pi \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\beta, \nu))]$$

where

$$Mh_2^a(\beta, \nu) = Mh_2^a(\beta) \cap Mh_3^a(\nu)$$

and  $\alpha \in Mh_2^a(0)$  iff  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal. Note that  $Mh_2^a(\alpha)$  is a  $\Pi_3$ -class.

4. Let  $m_2(\mathbb{K}) = 0$ ,  $m_3(\mathbb{K}) = \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $m_2(\Omega) = 1$  and  $m_3(\Omega) = 0$ .

(a) For  $\{\xi, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K}) \cap \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  with  $0 < \xi \leq a$ , let

$$\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{(0, \xi)}(a) = \min(\{\mathbb{K}\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_3^a(\xi) : \{\xi, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \& \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \mathbb{K} \subset \kappa\}).$$

$$m_2(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{(0, \xi)}(a)) = 0 \text{ and } m_3(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{(0, \xi)}(a)) = \xi.$$

(b) Let  $0 \leq \alpha < \Lambda^{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}$  and  $0 < \xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  be ordinals,  $0 < c \leq a < \Lambda = \mathbb{K}$   
with  $c \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$  and  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha, \xi)$ . Then for  $\beta = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi c$

$$\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, 0)}(a) = \min(\{\sigma\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_2^a(\beta) : \{\sigma, \alpha, \xi, c, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \& \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\}).$$

$$m_2(\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, 0)}(a)) = \beta \text{ and } m_3(\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, 0)}(a)) = 0.$$

(c) Let  $0 < \beta, \alpha < \Lambda^{\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}}$  and  $0 < \nu < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  be such that  $\{\beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$ ,  
 $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\beta, \nu) \subset (a+1) < \mathbb{K}$  and  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha$ . Then for  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha)$  with  
 $m_3(\sigma) = 0$

$$\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, \nu)}(a) = \min(\{\sigma\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_2^a(\beta, \nu) : \{\sigma, \beta, \nu, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \& \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\}).$$

$$m_2(\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, \nu)}(a)) = \beta \text{ and } m_3(\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, \nu)}(a)) = \nu.$$

(d)

$$\psi_{\sigma}(a) = \min\{\kappa \leq \sigma : \{\sigma, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \& \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\}.$$

We write  $\psi_{\sigma}(a)$  for  $\psi_{\sigma}^{(0, 0)}(a)$ .

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a  $\Pi_2^1$ -inaccessible cardinal. As in Lemmas 2.3 and 2.4 we see that  
 $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{(0, \xi)}(a) < \mathbb{K}$  for every  $\{a, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K}) \cap \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ .

It is easy to see that  $\psi_{\sigma}^{(\beta, \nu)}(a) < \sigma$  if  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha$ ,  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha)$  and  $\{\beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$ .

**Lemma 4.11** (Cf. Lemma 3.2 in [A09].) *Assume  $\mathbb{K} \geq \sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha, \xi)$  with  
 $0 < \xi < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $\beta < \Lambda^{\xi+1}$  and  $\beta \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$ . Then  $\sigma \in M_3(Mh_2^a(\alpha \dot{+} \beta))$  holds, a  
fortiori  $\sigma \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\alpha \dot{+} \beta))$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha, \xi) = Mh_2^a(\alpha) \cap Mh_3^a(\xi)$  and  $\beta \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$  with  $\beta < \Lambda^{\xi+1}$ . We show  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)$  by induction on ordinals  $\beta$ . Let  $\{\gamma, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$  and  $(\gamma, \nu) < \alpha \dot{+} \beta$ . We need to show that  $\sigma \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\gamma, \nu))$ .

Let  $\delta$  be a segment of  $\alpha \dot{+} \beta$  such that  $\gamma < \delta$  and  $\nu < \mu$  where  $\delta = \dots + \Lambda^\mu b$ . If  $\delta$  is a segment of  $\alpha$ , then  $\sigma \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\gamma, \nu))$  by  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha)$ .

Let  $\delta = \alpha \dot{+} \beta_0$ , where  $\beta_0$  is a segment of  $\beta$ . Then  $\nu < \mu \leq \xi$ . We claim that  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\gamma)$ . If  $\gamma < \alpha$ , then Proposition 4.9 with  $\gamma \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$  yields  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha) \subset Mh_2^a(\gamma)$ . Let  $\gamma = \alpha \dot{+} \gamma_0 < \alpha \dot{+} \beta_0$  with  $\gamma_0 \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$ . IH yields  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\gamma)$ . Thus the claim is shown. On the other hand we have  $\sigma \in Mh_3^a(\xi)$  and  $\nu \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma) \cap \xi$ . Since  $Mh_2^a(\gamma)$  is a  $\Pi_3$ -class, we obtain  $\sigma \in M_3(Mh_2^a(\gamma, \nu)) \subset M_2(Mh_2^a(\gamma, \nu))$  with  $Mh_2^a(\gamma, \nu) = Mh_2^a(\gamma) \cap Mh_3^a(\nu)$ .  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)$  is shown.

By  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha \dot{+} \beta)$  and  $\sigma \in Mh_3^a(\xi) \subset M_3$  with  $\xi > 0$ , we obtain  $\sigma \in M_3(Mh_2^a(\alpha \dot{+} \beta))$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.12** *If  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\alpha, \xi)$  and  $c \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma) \cap \Lambda$  with  $\xi > 0$ , then  $\psi_\sigma^{(\beta, 0)}(a) < \sigma$  for  $\beta = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi c$ .*

**Proof.** We obtain  $\sigma \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\beta))$  by Lemma 4.11. Since  $\{\kappa < \sigma : \{\beta, a, \sigma\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa), \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\}$  is a club subset of  $\sigma$ , we obtain  $\psi_\sigma^{(\beta, 0)}(a) < \sigma$ .  $\square$

$OT(\Pi_4)$  denotes a computable notation system of ordinals with collapsing functions  $\psi_\sigma^{(\alpha, \xi)}(a)$ . Although in our well-foundedness proof in  $KPII_4$ , ordinal terms  $\psi_\sigma^{(\beta, \nu)}(a)$  has to obey some restrictions such as (9) for  $OT(\Pi_3)$ , it is cumbersome to verify the conditions, and let us skip it.

Operator controlled derivations for  $KPII_4$  are closed under the inference rules  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_4}(\mathbb{K}))$ ,  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\alpha, \pi, \nu))$  and the following.

$(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \pi, \beta, \nu))$  There exist ordinals  $\alpha < \pi \leq b < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $(\beta, \nu) < \bar{m}_2(\pi) \leq m_2(\pi)$ ,  $a_0 < a$ , and a finite set  $\Delta$  of  $\Sigma_2(\pi)$ -sentences enjoying the following conditions:

1.  $\{\alpha, \pi, \beta, \nu\} \cup \bar{m}(\pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ .
2. For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta$ .
3. For each  $\alpha < \rho \in Mh_2(\beta, \nu) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\alpha < \rho \in Mh_2(\beta, \nu) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\alpha, \pi, \beta, \nu))$$

This inference says that  $\pi \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\beta) \cap Mh_3^a(\nu))$ .

**Lemma 4.13** *Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_2(\pi)$ . Assume  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma$  for a  $\pi < \mathbb{K}$ , and  $\{\xi, \alpha\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  for  $\alpha = \bar{m}_2(\pi)$ ,  $\xi = \bar{m}_3(\pi)$ . Let  $\eta$  be the base for  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \pi, \nu))$  in  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma$ . Then for any  $\eta < \kappa \in Mh_2(\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_\pi^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  holds, where  $\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a) \leq \bar{m}_2(\kappa) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . Moreover when  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_\kappa^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  holds.*

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$ . Let  $\pi' = \kappa$  if  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ . Otherwise  $\pi' = \pi$ . Note that there exists a  $\kappa$  such that  $\kappa \in Mh_2(\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)) \cap \pi$  if  $\Theta \cup \{\pi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\pi)$ .

F.e.  $\kappa = \psi_\pi^{(\alpha + \Lambda^\xi(1+a), 0)}(\gamma + \max \Theta)$ .

Let  $\eta$  be the base for  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \pi, \nu))$  in  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma$ .

**Case 1.**  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \pi, \nu))$ : Then  $\eta < \pi$ ,  $\{\eta, \pi, \nu\} \cup \bar{m}(\pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \pi$ , and  $\nu < \bar{m}_3(\pi) \leq m_3(\pi)$ . Let  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_3(\pi)$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_\pi^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma} (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \pi, \nu))$$

Let  $\alpha_0 = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a_0)$ . Then  $(\alpha_0, \nu) < \alpha_1 = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)$ . We obtain  $\{\kappa, \alpha_1, \nu, \alpha_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}]$ . In the following derivation  $\alpha_1 \leq \bar{m}_2(\kappa)$  with  $\bar{m}(\kappa) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ .

$$\frac{\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\sigma + \omega a_0 + 1} \Gamma(\sigma, \pi), \neg\delta(\sigma, \pi)\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a_0} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi), \Delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}}{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_0^{2d} \neg\theta(\kappa, \pi), \Gamma(\kappa, \pi)\}_{\theta \in \Gamma} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a_0 + p} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi), \Gamma(\sigma, \pi)\}_{\eta < \sigma \in Mh_2(\alpha_0, \nu) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi)} (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\eta, \kappa, \alpha_0, \nu))$$

**Case 2.**  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\mu, \pi, \beta, \nu))$ :  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha = \bar{m}_2(\pi) \leq m_2(\pi)$ ,  $\mu < \pi$ ,  $\{\mu, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  and  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_2(\pi)$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_\pi^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\mu < \rho \in Mh_2(\beta, \nu) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma} (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\pi, \beta, \nu))$$

Then  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha_1 = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a) \leq \bar{m}_2(\kappa)$  with the segment  $\alpha$  of  $\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)$ .

We have  $\Delta^{(\rho, \pi)} = (\Delta^{(\kappa, \pi)})^{(\rho, \kappa)}$  and  $\{\kappa, \alpha_1, \beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}]$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a_0 + 1} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi), \neg\delta(\kappa, \pi)\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \rho\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a_0} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi), \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\mu < \rho \in Mh_2(\beta, \nu) \cap \kappa}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi)} (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\mu, \kappa, \beta, \nu))$$

**Case 3.** The last inference is a (*cut*) of a cut formula  $C$ : Then  $\text{rk}(C) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \pi$  and  $C \in \Delta_0(\pi)$ . If  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ , then  $\text{rk}(C) < \kappa$ .

**Case 4.** The last inference is either a  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\sigma, \nu))$  or a  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\sigma, \delta, \nu))$  with  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \pi$ : IH yields the lemma. If  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ , then  $\sigma < \kappa$ .  $\square$

We see from the above proof, if there is a base  $\eta$  for inferences  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mu_3, \sigma, \nu))$  and simultaneously for  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\mu_2, \sigma, \delta, \nu))$  in  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma$  (in the sense that  $\eta = \mu_3 = \mu_2$ ), then the same  $\eta$  is a base for inferences  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\mu_3, \sigma, \nu))$  and simultaneously for  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\mu_2, \sigma, \delta, \nu))$  in  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa + \omega a} \Gamma(\kappa, \pi)$ .

**Lemma 4.14** *Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_1(\lambda)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$  with  $a < \Lambda = \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \ni \lambda \leq b < \mathbb{K}$  and  $\lambda$  regular, and assume  $\forall \kappa \in [\lambda, b)(\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\kappa(\gamma)))$ .*

*Let  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \theta_b(a)$  and  $\delta = \psi_\lambda^{(\beta, \nu)}(\hat{a})$  when  $\lambda \in Mh_2^\gamma(\alpha)$ ,  $m_3(\lambda) = 0$  and  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha$  with  $\{\beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta] \vdash_\delta^\delta \Gamma$  holds.*

**Proof.** By main induction on  $b$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$  as in Lemma 2.6. Let  $\eta$  be a base for reflection inferences in  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$ .

**Case 1.** Consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \sigma, \nu))$  with  $b \geq \sigma$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \sigma}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{\alpha} \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \sigma, \nu))$$

where  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_3(\sigma)$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(\nu) \subset \sigma$ ,  $\nu < \xi = \bar{m}_3(\sigma) \leq m_3(\sigma)$ ,  $\alpha = \bar{m}_2(\sigma) \leq m_2(\sigma)$ ,  $\eta < \sigma$  and  $\{\eta, \sigma, \xi, \alpha, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . We may assume that  $\sigma \geq \lambda$ .

**Case 1.1.** There exists a regular  $\pi \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  such that  $\sigma < \pi \leq b$ : Then  $\Delta \subset \Delta_0(\pi)$  and  $\sigma < b_0 = \psi_\pi(\hat{a}_0)$  for  $\hat{a}_0 = \gamma + \theta_b(a_0)$ . SIH yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{b_0}^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_{b_0}^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}$  for each  $\eta < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \sigma$ . A  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \sigma, \nu))$  yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{b_0+1}^{\alpha_0} \Gamma$ , where  $b_0 < b$ . Let  $\delta_0 = \psi_\lambda(\hat{a}_1)$  with  $\hat{a}_1 = \hat{a}_0 + \theta_{b_0}(b_0 + 1) = \gamma + \theta_b(a_0) + \theta_{b_0}(b_0 + 1) < \gamma + \theta_b(a) = \hat{a}$ . We obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_1+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\delta_0}^{\alpha_0} \Gamma$  by MIH, and the lemma follows.

**Case 1.2.** Otherwise: By Cut-elimination we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\sigma}^{\theta_b(a_0)} \Gamma, \neg\delta$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_{\sigma}^{\theta_b(a_0)} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}$  for each  $\eta < \rho \in Mh_3(\nu) \cap \sigma$ . A  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_3}(\eta, \sigma, \nu))$  yields  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\sigma}^{\alpha_1} \Gamma$  for  $a_1 = \theta_b(a_0) + 1$ . Let  $\beta = \alpha + \Lambda^\xi(1 + a_1)$  for  $\alpha = \bar{m}_2(\sigma) \leq m_2(\sigma)$  and  $\xi = \bar{m}_3(\pi) \leq m_3(\sigma)$ , and  $\kappa = \psi_\sigma^{(\beta, 0)}(\gamma)$ . We obtain  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$  by the assumption. Hence  $\{\gamma, \sigma, \beta\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ , and  $\eta < \kappa \in Mh_2(\beta) \cap \sigma$ , cf. Corollary 4.12. Moreover we have  $\kappa \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma+1}[\Theta]$ .

Lemma 4.13 yields  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\kappa}^{\kappa + \omega a_1} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \sigma)}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\kappa}^{\kappa + \omega a_1} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \sigma)}$ , where  $\beta \leq \bar{m}_2(\kappa)$  with  $\bar{m}(\kappa) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ , and  $\Gamma^{(\kappa, \sigma)} = \Gamma$  if  $\lambda < \sigma$ , and  $\Gamma^{(\kappa, \sigma)} = \Gamma^{(\kappa, \lambda)}$  otherwise. In each case we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\kappa}^{\kappa + \omega a_1} \Gamma$ . MIH then yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_1+1}[\Theta] \vdash_{\delta_1}^{\delta_1} \Gamma$ , where  $\delta_1 = \psi_\lambda(\hat{a}_1)$  with  $\hat{a}_1 = \gamma + \theta_\kappa(\kappa + \omega a_1) < \gamma + \theta_b(a) = \hat{a}$  by  $\kappa < \sigma \leq b$  and  $a_1 < \theta_b(a)$ .

**Case 2.** Consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\eta, \sigma, \beta, \nu))$  with  $b \geq \sigma$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\beta, \nu) \cap \sigma}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{\alpha} \Gamma} \quad (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\eta, \sigma, \beta, \nu))$$

where  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_2(\sigma)$ ,  $(\beta, \nu) < \alpha = \bar{m}_2(\sigma) \leq m_2(\sigma)$ ,  $\xi = \bar{m}_3(\sigma) \leq m_3(\sigma)$ ,  $\eta < \sigma$  and  $\{\eta, \sigma, \alpha, \xi, \beta, \nu\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ .

We may assume that  $\sigma \geq \lambda$ . For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , let  $\delta \simeq \bigvee (\delta_i)_{i \in J}$ . We may assume  $J = Tm(\sigma)$ . Inversion yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+|i|}[\Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(i)] \vdash_b^{\alpha_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta_i$ , where  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\delta_i\} \subset \Sigma_1(\sigma)$ . Let  $\hat{a}_0 = \gamma + \theta_b(a_0)$  and  $\rho = \psi_\sigma^{(\beta, \nu)}(\hat{a}_0)$ , where  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho)$  by the assumption,  $\{\eta, \sigma, \beta, \nu, \hat{a}_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  with  $(\beta, \nu) < m_2(\sigma)$ . Hence  $\{\eta, \sigma, \beta, \nu, \hat{a}_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho) \cap \sigma \subset \rho$ . Therefore  $\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\beta, \nu) \cap \sigma \cap \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta]$ .

We see the lemma as in Lemma 2.6 by Inversion, picking the  $\rho$ -th branch from the right upper sequents, and then introducing several (*cut*)'s instead of  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\eta, \sigma, \beta, \nu))$ . Use MIH when  $\lambda < \sigma$ .

**Case 3.** As in Lemma 2.6 we see the case when the last inference is a (*cut*) of a cut formula  $C$  with  $d = \text{rk}(C) < b$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.15** *Assume  $\text{KPII}_4 \vdash \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $\theta \in \Sigma$ . Then there exists an  $n < \omega$  such that  $L_\alpha \models \theta$  for  $\alpha = \psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1))$  in  $OT(\Pi_4)$ .*

**Proof.** By Embedding there exists an  $m > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{H}_0[\emptyset] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}+m}^{\mathbb{K}+m} \theta^{L\Omega}$ . By Cut-elimination,  $\mathcal{H}_0[\emptyset] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $a = \omega_m(\mathbb{K} + m)$ . By Lemma 4.2 we obtain  $\mathcal{H}_{\omega^{a+1}}[\{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \theta^{L\Omega}$ , where  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\omega^a)$ ,  $\mathbb{K} + a = a$ ,  $(\theta^{L\Omega})^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})} \equiv \theta^{L\Omega}$  and  $\kappa \in \text{Mh}_2(a) \cap \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathbb{K})$ . F.e.  $\kappa = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{(0, a)}(0) \in \mathcal{H}_1[\emptyset]$ . Hence  $\mathcal{H}_{\omega^{a+1}}[\emptyset] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \theta^{L\Omega}$ . Lemma 4.14 then yields  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma+1}[\emptyset] \vdash_{\beta_1}^{\beta_1} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $\gamma = \omega^a + \theta_{\beta}(\beta)$  and  $\beta_1 = \psi_{\Omega}(\gamma) < \psi_{\Omega}(\omega^a + \mathbb{K}) < \psi_{\Omega}(\omega_{m+2}(\mathbb{K} + 1)) = \alpha$ . Therefore  $L_{\alpha} \models \theta$ .  $\square$

## 5 First order reflection

Having established an ordinal analysis for  $\Pi_4$ -reflection in section 4, it is not hard to extend it to first-order reflection. As expected, an exponential ordinal structure emerges in resolving higher Mahlo classes.

Let  $\mathbb{K} = \Lambda$  be either a  $\Pi_{N-2}^1$ -inaccessible cardinal or a  $\Pi_N$ -reflecting ordinal for an integer  $N \geq 3$ . Let for  $k > 0$ ,  $\alpha \in M_{k+2}(A)$  iff  $A$  is  $\Pi_k^1$ -inaccessible in  $\alpha$  or  $\alpha$  is  $\Pi_{k+2}$ -reflecting on  $A$ . Let  $(\nu_k, \nu_{k+1}, \dots, \nu_{N-1})$  be a sequence of ordinals  $\nu_i < \varepsilon_{\Lambda+1}$ , and  $\varepsilon_{\Lambda+1} > \alpha = \Lambda^{\beta_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\beta_n} a_n$  with  $\beta_0 > \dots > \beta_n$  and  $0 < a_0, \dots, a_n < \Lambda$ . Then  $(\nu_k, \nu_{k+1}, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \alpha$  iff there exists a segment  $\alpha_i = \Lambda^{\beta_0} a_0 + \dots + \Lambda^{\beta_i} a_i$  of  $\alpha$  such that  $\nu_k < \alpha_i$  and  $(\nu_{k+1}, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \beta_i$ .

**Proposition 5.1**  $\bar{\nu} < \alpha < \gamma \Rightarrow \bar{\nu} < \gamma$ .

### 5.1 Mahlo classes for $\Pi_N$ -reflection

As in subsection 4.1  $P \in M_i(\mathcal{X})$  designates that  $P$  is  $\Pi_i$ -reflecting on  $\mathcal{X}$ . Let

$$M_k(\alpha) := \bigcap \{M_k(M_k(\bar{\nu})) : \bar{\nu} = (\nu_k, \nu_{k+1}, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \alpha\}$$

where

$$M_k((\nu_k, \nu_{k+1}, \dots, \nu_{N-1})) := \bigcap_{i \geq k} M_i(\nu_i).$$

By Proposition 5.1 we obtain  $\alpha_0 > \alpha \Rightarrow M_k(\alpha_0) \subset M_k(\alpha)$ . Hence for  $(\max\{\bar{\nu}, \bar{\mu}\})_i = \max\{\nu_i, \mu_i\}$ , cf. **Case 1** in Lemma 5.8,

$$M_2(\bar{\nu}) \cap M_2(\bar{\mu}) = M_2(\max\{\bar{\nu}, \bar{\mu}\}).$$

Let  $\bar{\nu} = (\nu_2, \dots, \nu_{N-1})$  and  $\bar{\mu} = (\mu_2, \dots, \mu_{N-1})$ . Then let

$$\bar{\nu} \prec_k \bar{\mu} :\Leftrightarrow M_2(\bar{\nu}) \prec_k M_2(\bar{\mu}).$$

**Proposition 5.2** Let  $\bar{\mu} = (\mu_2, \dots, \mu_{k-1})$ ,  $\bar{\nu} = (\nu_{k+1}, \dots, \nu_{N-1})$ , and  $\bar{\xi} = (\xi_{k+1}, \dots, \xi_{N-1})$ .

1. If  $(\nu_k) * \bar{\nu} < \xi_k$ , then  $\bar{\mu} * (\nu_k) * \bar{\nu} \prec_k \bar{\mu} * (\xi_k) * \bar{\xi}$ .
2. (Cf. Lemma 4.8) If  $\xi_{k+1}, a > 0$ , then  $\bar{\mu} * (\xi_k \dot{+} \Lambda^{\xi_{k+1}} a) * \bar{0} \prec_k \bar{\mu} * (\xi_k) * \bar{\xi}$ .

**Proof.** 5.2.1. Let  $P \in M_2(\bar{\mu} * (\xi_k) * \bar{\xi}) \subset M_2(\bar{\mu} * \bar{0}) \cap M_k(\xi_k)$ . By  $(\nu_k) * \bar{\nu} < \xi_k$  we obtain  $P \in M_k(M_k((\nu_k) * \bar{\nu}))$ . Since  $P \in M_2(\bar{\mu} * \bar{0})$  is  $\Pi_k$  on  $P$ , we conclude  $P \in M_k(M_2(\bar{\mu} * \bar{0}) \cap M_k((\nu_k) * \bar{\nu})) = M_k(M_k(\bar{\mu} * (\nu_k) * \bar{\nu}))$ .

5.2.2. It suffices to show that  $M_k(\xi_k \dot{+} \Lambda^{\xi_{k+1}} a) \prec_k M_k(\xi_k) \cap M_{k+1}(\xi_{k+1})$ , and this follows from  $M_k(\xi_k) \cap M_{k+1}(\xi_{k+1}) \subset M_k(\xi_k \dot{+} \Lambda^{\xi_{k+1}} a)$ . The latter is shown by induction on  $a$  as in Lemma 4.8 using the fact that  $P \in M_k(\gamma) \cap M_{k+1}(\xi_{k+1}) \Rightarrow P \in M_k(M_k(\gamma) \cap M_{k+1}(\nu))$  for  $\nu < \xi_{k+1}$ .  $\square$

## 5.2 Ordinals for first order reflection

**Definition 5.3** Define simultaneously by recursion on ordinals  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  the classes  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  ( $X \subset \Gamma_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ),  $Mh_k^a(\vec{\nu})$  ( $lh(\vec{\nu}) = N - k$ ), the ordinals  $\psi_\sigma^{\vec{\nu}}(a)$  as follows.

1.  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  denotes the Skolem hull of  $\{0, \Omega, \mathbb{K}\} \cup X$  under the functions  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ , and the following.

Let  $\vec{\nu} = (\nu_2, \dots, \nu_{N-1})$ ,  $\{\sigma, b\} \cup \vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(X)$  and  $b < a$ . Then  $\psi_\sigma^{\vec{\nu}}(b) \in \mathcal{H}_a(X)$ .

2. For  $2 \leq k < N$ ,  $\pi \in Mh_k^a(\alpha)$  iff  $\{a, \alpha\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$  and

$$\forall \vec{\nu} = (\nu_k, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) [\vec{\nu} < \alpha \rightarrow \pi \in M_k(Mh_k^a(\vec{\nu}))]$$

where

$$Mh_k^a(\vec{\nu}) = \bigcap_{i \geq k} Mh_i^a(\nu_i).$$

Note that  $Mh_k^a(\alpha)$  is a  $\Pi_{k+1}$ -class.

3.  $\psi_\sigma(a) = \min(\{\sigma\} \cup \{\kappa < \sigma : \{a, \sigma\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \ \& \ \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\})$ .

$$m_i(\psi_\sigma(a)) = 0 \text{ for } i < N.$$

4. Let  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\vec{\xi})$  for  $\vec{\xi} = (\xi_2, \dots, \xi_{N-1})$  with  $\xi_{k+1} > 0$ , and  $0 < c < \Lambda = \mathbb{K}$  with  $c \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$ . Let  $\vec{\nu} = (\xi_2, \dots, \xi_{k-1}, \xi_k \dot{+} \Lambda^{\xi_{k+1}} c, 0, \dots, 0)$ . Then

$$\psi_\sigma^{\vec{\nu}}(a) = \min(\{\sigma\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_2^a(\vec{\nu}) \cap \sigma : \{a\} \cup \vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \ \& \ \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\}).$$

$$m_i(\psi_\sigma^{\vec{\nu}}(a)) = \nu_i \text{ for } i < N, \text{ cf. Proposition 5.2.2.}$$

5. Let  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\bar{\mu} * \bar{\xi})$  with  $\bar{\mu} = (\mu_2, \dots, \mu_{k-1})$  and  $\bar{\xi} = (\xi_k, \dots, \xi_{N-1})$ , and  $\vec{\nu} = (\nu_k, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \xi_k$ , cf. Proposition 5.2.1.

$$\psi_\sigma^{\bar{\mu} * \vec{\nu}}(a) = \min(\{\sigma\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_2^a(\bar{\mu} * \vec{\nu}) \cap \sigma : \{a\} \cup \bar{\mu} \cup \vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \ \& \ \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \sigma \subset \kappa\}).$$

$$m_i(\psi_\sigma^{\bar{\mu} * \vec{\nu}}(a)) = \mu_i \text{ for } i < k, \text{ and } m_i(\psi_\sigma^{\bar{\mu} * \vec{\nu}}(a)) = \nu_i \text{ for } i \geq k.$$

As in section 4 for  $\Pi_4$ -reflection we see the following lemmas for  $\Pi_{N-2}^1$ -indescribable cardinal  $\mathbb{K}$ .

**Lemma 5.4** *Let  $a \in \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K}) \cap \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ . Then  $\mathbb{K} \in M_{N-1}(Mh_{N-1}^a(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}))$ , where  $\varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  denotes the sequence  $\vec{\nu} = \vec{0} * (\nu_{N-1})$  with  $\nu_{N-1} = \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ . For every  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{K}) \cap \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $\psi_{\mathbb{K}}^{\vec{0} * (\xi)}(a) < \mathbb{K}$ .*

**Lemma 5.5** *Let  $\vec{\nu} = (\xi_2, \dots, \xi_{k-1}, \xi_k + \Lambda^{\xi_{k+1}c}, 0, \dots, 0)$ , where  $\vec{\xi} = (\xi_2, \dots, \xi_{N-1})$  with  $\xi_{k+1} > 0$ , and  $0 < c < \Lambda$  with  $c \in \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$ .*

*Assume  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\vec{\xi})$ . Then  $\sigma \in M_2(Mh_2^a(\vec{\nu}))$  and  $\psi_{\sigma}^{\vec{\nu}}(a) < \sigma$ , cf. Proposition 5.2.2.*

**Lemma 5.6** *Let  $\vec{\mu} = (\mu_2, \dots, \mu_{k-1})$  and  $\vec{\nu} = (\nu_k, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \xi$ . Assume  $\vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\sigma)$  and  $\sigma \in Mh_2^a(\vec{\mu} * (\xi))$ . Then  $\psi_{\sigma}^{\vec{\mu} * \vec{\nu}}(a) < \sigma$ , cf. Proposition 5.2.1.*

### 5.3 Operator controlled derivations for first order reflection

Operator controlled derivations for  $KPII_N$  are closed under the following inference rules.  $\bar{m} : \pi \mapsto \bar{m}(\pi) = (\bar{m}_2(\pi), \dots, \bar{m}_{N-1}(\pi))$  is an additional data for the derivations, where  $\bar{m}_i(\pi) \leq m_i(\pi)$  for  $2 \leq i \leq N-1$ .

( $\text{rf}_{\Pi_N}(\mathbb{K})$ )  $b \geq \mathbb{K}$ . There exist an ordinal  $a_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap a$ , and a  $\Sigma_N(\mathbb{K})$ -sentence  $A$  enjoying the following conditions:

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg A \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, A^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})} : \rho < \mathbb{K}\}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rf}_{\Pi_N}(\mathbb{K}))$$

( $\text{rf}_{\Pi_k}(\eta, \pi, \vec{\nu})$ ) for each  $2 \leq k \leq N-1$ , cf. Proposition 5.2.1.

There exist ordinals  $\eta < \pi \leq b < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\vec{\nu} = (\nu_k, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \bar{m}_k(\pi) \leq m_k(\pi)$ ,  $a_0 < a$ , and a finite set  $\Delta$  of  $\Sigma_k(\pi)$ -sentences enjoying the following conditions:

1.  $\{\eta, \pi\} \cup \vec{\nu} \cup \bar{m}(\pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ .
2. For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta$ .
3. For any  $\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{<k}(\pi) * \vec{\nu}) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}$ , where  $\bar{m}_{<k}(\pi) = (\bar{m}_2(\pi), \dots, \bar{m}_{k-1}(\pi))$  and  $\rho \in Mh_k(\vec{\nu})$  iff  $\nu_i \leq m_i(\rho)$  for every  $k \leq i \leq N-1$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{<k}(\pi) * \vec{\nu}) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rf}_{\Pi_k}(\eta, \pi, \vec{\nu}))$$

**Lemma 5.7** *Assume  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_{N-1}(\mathbb{K})$ ,  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$ , and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^a \Gamma$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\beta}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}$  holds for any  $\eta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K}) < \kappa \in Mh_{N-1}(a) \cap \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma + \mathbb{K} \cdot \omega)$ , where  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^{\mathbb{K}+a}$  and  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a})$ .*



**Lemma 5.8** Assume  $\bar{m}(\pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ , and there exists a  $2 \leq k < N-1$  such that  $\bar{m}_{k+1}(\pi) > 0$ , and let  $k = \max\{k : \bar{m}_{k+1}(\pi) > 0\}$  and  $\alpha = \bar{m}_k(\pi)$ ,  $\xi = \bar{m}_{k+1}(\pi)$ . Moreover assume  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma$  for  $a, \pi < \mathbb{K}$  and  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_k(\pi)$ .

Then for any  $\eta < \kappa \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{<k}(\pi)) \cap Mh_k(\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)) \cap \pi$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_\pi^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  holds, where  $\eta$  is a base,  $\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a) \leq \bar{m}_k(\kappa) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  and  $\bar{m}_{<k}(\kappa) = \bar{m}_{<k}(\pi)$ . Moreover when  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_\kappa^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}$  holds.

**Proof.** This is seen as in Lemma 4.13 by induction on  $a$ . Let  $\pi' = \kappa$  if  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\kappa)$ . Otherwise  $\pi' = \pi$ . Consider the cases when the last inference is a  $(\text{rf}\Pi_n(\eta, \pi, \vec{\nu}))$ . We have  $n \leq k+1$ ,  $\eta < \pi$ ,  $\{\eta, \pi\} \cup \vec{\nu} \cup \bar{m}(\pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ ,  $\vec{\nu} = (\nu_n, \dots, \nu_{N-1}) < \bar{m}_n(\pi) \leq m_n(\pi)$  and  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_n(\pi)$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_\pi^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{<n}(\pi) * \vec{\nu}) \cap \pi}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_\pi^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rf}\Pi_n(\eta, \pi, \vec{\nu}))$$

**Case 1.**  $n = k+1$ : Let  $\alpha_0 = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a_0)$ . Then  $\vec{\mu} = (\alpha_0) * \vec{\nu} < \alpha_1 = \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)$  by  $\vec{\nu} < \xi = \bar{m}_{k+1}(\pi)$ . We obtain  $\eta < \kappa$ ,  $\{\eta, \kappa, \alpha_0\} \cup \bar{m}(\kappa) \cup \vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}]$ . In the following derivation  $\alpha_1 \leq \bar{m}_k(\kappa)$  with  $\bar{m}(\kappa) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . Note that  $\bar{m}_{<k}(\kappa) * \vec{\mu} = \bar{m}_{<k}(\pi) * (\alpha_0) * \vec{\nu} = \max\{(\bar{m}_{<k}(\pi) * (\alpha_0) * \vec{0}), (\bar{m}_{<k}(\pi) * (\alpha) * \vec{\nu})\}$ .

$$\frac{\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\sigma+\omega a_0+1} \Gamma^{(\sigma, \pi)}, \neg\delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa+\omega a_0} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \Delta^{(\sigma, \pi)}}{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa+\omega a_0+p} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \Gamma^{(\sigma, \pi)}\}_{\eta < \sigma \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{<k}(\kappa) * \vec{\mu}) \cap \kappa}} \quad (\text{rf}\Pi_k(\eta, \kappa, \vec{\mu}))}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}} \quad (\text{rf}\Pi_n(\eta, \kappa, \vec{\nu}))$$

**Case 2.**  $n \leq k$ : If  $n < k$ , then  $\vec{\nu} < \bar{m}_n(\pi) = \bar{m}_n(\kappa) \leq m_n(\kappa)$ . If  $n = k$ , then  $\vec{\nu} < \alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a) \leq \bar{m}_k(\kappa)$  with the segment  $\alpha$  of  $\alpha \dot{+} \Lambda^\xi(1+a)$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa+\omega a_0+1} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \neg\delta^{(\kappa, \pi)}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \rho\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa+\omega a_0} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}, \Delta^{(\rho, \pi)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{<n}(\kappa) * \vec{\nu}) \cap \kappa}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash_{\pi'}^{\kappa+\omega a} \Gamma^{(\kappa, \pi)}} \quad (\text{rf}\Pi_n(\eta, \kappa, \vec{\nu}))$$

□

**Lemma 5.9** Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_1(\lambda)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$  with  $a < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \ni \lambda \leq b < \mathbb{K}$  and  $\lambda$  regular. Assume  $\forall \kappa \in [\lambda, b)(\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\kappa(\gamma)))$ .

Let  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \theta_b(a)$  and  $\delta = \psi_\lambda^\gamma(\hat{a})$  when  $\lambda \in Mh_k^\gamma(\alpha)$  and  $\vec{\nu} < \alpha$  with  $\vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta] \vdash_\delta^\delta \Gamma$  holds.

**Proof.** This is seen as in Lemma 4.14 by main induction on  $b$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$ . Let  $\eta$  be a base.

**Case 1.** Consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rf}\Pi_{k+1}(\eta, \sigma, \vec{\nu}))$  with  $2 \leq k < N-1$  and  $b \geq \sigma$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\bar{m}_{\leq k}(\sigma) * \vec{\nu}) \cap \sigma}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} \quad (\text{rf}\Pi_{k+1}(\eta, \sigma, \vec{\nu}))$$

where  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_{k+1}(\sigma)$ ,  $\vec{\nu} < \xi = \bar{m}_{k+1}(\sigma) \leq m_{k+1}(\sigma)$ ,  $\eta < \sigma$  and  $\{\eta, \sigma\} \cup \bar{m}(\sigma) \cup \vec{\nu} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . We may assume that  $\sigma \geq \lambda$  and there is no regular  $\pi \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  such that  $\sigma < \pi \leq b$ .

We obtain the lemma by Cut-elimination, Lemma 5.8 for  $\kappa = \psi_\sigma^{\bar{m}_{<k}(\sigma)*(\beta)*\bar{0}}(\gamma)$  with  $\beta = \bar{m}_k(\sigma) \dot{+} \Lambda^{\bar{m}_{k+1}(\sigma)}(1 + a_1)$  and  $a_1 = \theta_b(a_0) + 1$ , and MIH.

**Case 2.** Next consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\eta, \sigma, \vec{v}))$  with  $b \geq \sigma$ .

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\rho, \sigma)}\}_{\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\vec{v}) \cap \sigma}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma} (\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\eta, \sigma, \vec{v}))$$

where  $\Delta \subset \Sigma_2(\sigma)$ ,  $\vec{v} < \xi = \bar{m}_2(\sigma) \leq m_2(\sigma)$ ,  $\eta < \sigma$  and  $\{\eta, \sigma\} \cup \bar{m}(\sigma) \cup \vec{v} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . We may assume that  $\sigma \geq \lambda$ . Let  $\rho = \psi_\sigma^{\vec{v}}(\hat{a}_0)$ . We see  $\eta < \rho \in Mh_2(\vec{v}) \cap \sigma \cap \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_0+1}[\Theta]$  from the assumption  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho)$ .

We see the lemma as in Lemma 2.6 by Inversion, picking the  $\rho$ -th branch from the right upper sequents, and then introducing several (*cut*)'s instead of  $(\text{rfl}_{\Pi_2}(\sigma, \vec{v}))$ . Use MIH when  $\lambda < \sigma$ .  $\square$

$OT(\Pi_N)$  denotes a computable notation system of ordinals with collapsing functions  $\psi_\sigma^{\vec{v}}(a)$ .

**Theorem 5.10** *Assume  $\text{KP}\Pi_N \vdash \theta^{L_\Omega}$  for  $\theta \in \Sigma$ . Then there exists an  $n < \omega$  such that  $L_\alpha \models \theta$  for  $\alpha = \psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1))$  in  $OT(\Pi_N)$ .*

**Proof.** This is seen from Lemmas 5.7 and 5.9.  $\square$

## 6 $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection

**Definition 6.1**  $\sigma$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -stable for  $\alpha > \sigma$  if  $L_\sigma \prec_{\Sigma_1} L_\alpha$ .

It is known that  $\sigma$  is  $(\sigma + 1)$ -stable iff  $\sigma$  is  $\Pi_0^1$ -reflecting, and  $\sigma$  is  $\sigma^+$ -stable iff  $\sigma$  is  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflecting, where  $\sigma^+$  denotes the next admissible ordinal above  $\sigma$ , cf. [Richter-Aczel74].

Let  $S_1$  denote the theory obtained from  $\text{KP}\omega + (V = L)$  by adding the following axioms for an individual constant  $\mathbb{S}$ :  $\mathbb{S}$  is a limit ordinal and

$$L_{\mathbb{S}} \prec_{\Sigma_1} L.$$

The latter denotes a schema

$$\exists x B(x, v) \wedge v \in L_{\mathbb{S}} \rightarrow \exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}} B(x, v)$$

for each  $\Delta_0$ -formula  $B$ . Let  $L = L_{\mathbb{S}^+} \models S_1$ .

An exponential structure emerges in iterating (recursively) Mahlo operations to resolve first-order reflections  $M_N$  in terms of Mahlo classes  $Mh_k^a(\alpha)$  and  $Mh_k^a(\vec{v})$ . Viewing the vector  $\vec{v} = (\nu_2, \nu_3, \dots, \nu_{N-1})$  as a function  $\{2, 3, \dots, N-1\} \ni k \mapsto \nu_k$ , each  $k$  in its domain designates the class of  $\Pi_k$ -formulas or the Mahlo operation  $M_k$ , while its value  $\nu_k$  corresponds to the height of derivations, cf. **Case 1** in the proof of Lemma 5.8.

On the other side, the axiom  $L_{\mathbb{S}} \prec_{\Sigma_1} L_{\mathbb{S}^+}$  says that  $\mathbb{S}$  ‘reflects’  $\Pi_{\mathbb{S}^+}$ -formulas in transfinite levels. In place of vectors in finite lengths, we need functions

$f : \mathbb{S}^+ \rightarrow ON$ . Each  $c$  in the domain of the function  $f$  corresponds to formulas of ranks  $< c$  in inference rules for higher reflections. Its support  $\text{supp}(f) = \{c < \mathbb{S}^+ : f(c) \neq 0\}$  may be assumed to be *finite*, while its value  $f(c) < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{S}^+ + 1}$ . A Veblen function  $\tilde{\theta}_b(\xi)$  is used to denote ordinals instead of the exponential function  $\tilde{\theta}_1(\xi) = (\mathbb{S}^+)^{\xi}$ . The relation  $\tilde{\nu} < \alpha$  in section 5 is replaced by a relation  $f <^c \xi$  for ordinals  $c, \xi$  and finite function  $f$ .  $f <^c \xi$  holds if  $f(c) < \mu$  for a segment  $\mu = \dots + \tilde{\theta}_b(\nu)$  of  $\xi$ , and  $f(c+d) < \tilde{\theta}_{-d}(\tilde{\theta}_b(\nu))$  for  $d = \min\{d > 0 : c+d \in \text{supp}(f)\}$ , and so forth, where  $\tilde{\theta}_{-d}(\xi)$  denotes an inverse of the function  $\xi \mapsto \tilde{\theta}_d(\xi)$ .

Mahlo classes  $Mh_c^a(\xi)$  introduced in (32) reflects every fact  $\pi \in Mh_0^a(g_c) = \bigcap \{Mh_d^a(g(d)) : c > d \in \text{supp}(g)\}$  on the ordinals  $\pi \in Mh_c^a(\xi)$  in lower level, down to ‘smaller’ Mahlo classes  $Mh_c^a(f) = \bigcap \{Mh_d^a(f(d)) : c \leq d \in \text{supp}(f)\}$ , where  $f <^c \xi$ .

This apparatus would suffice to analyze reflections in transfinite levels. We need another for the axiom  $L_{\mathbb{S}} \prec_{\Sigma_1} L_{\mathbb{S}^+}$  of  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection, i.e., a (formal) *Mostowski collapsing*: Assume that  $B(u, v)$  with  $v \in L_{\mathbb{S}}$  for a  $\Delta_0$ -formula  $B$ . We need to find a substitute  $u' \in L_{\mathbb{S}}$  for  $u \in L_{\mathbb{S}^+}$ , i.e.,  $B(u', v)$ . For simplicity let us assume that  $v = \beta < \mathbb{S}$  and  $u = \alpha < \mathbb{S}^+$  are ordinals. We may assume that  $\alpha \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $\rho < \mathbb{S}$  be an ordinal, which is bigger than every ordinal  $< \mathbb{S}$  occurring in the ‘context’ of  $B(\alpha, \beta)$ . This means that if an ordinal  $\delta < \mathbb{S}$  occurs in a ‘relevant’ branch of a derivation of  $B(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $\delta < \rho$  holds. Then we can define a Mostowski collapsing  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  for ordinal terms  $\alpha$  such that  $\beta[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = \beta$  for each relevant  $\beta < \mathbb{S}$ ,  $\mathbb{S}[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = \rho$  and  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] < (\mathbb{S}^+)[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = \rho^+ < \mathbb{S}$ , cf. Definition 6.22. Then we see that  $B(\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}], \beta)$  holds.

Although the above scheme would seem to work, how to implement the plan? Let  $E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  denote the set of ordinal terms  $\alpha$  such that every subterm  $\beta < \mathbb{S}$  of  $\alpha$  is smaller than  $\rho$ . It turns out that  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}) \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  if  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(\rho) \cap \mathbb{S} \subset \rho$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma$ , and assume that (3),  $\{\gamma, a, b\} \cup \text{k}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta]$  holds in Definition 1.16. Moreover let us assume that  $\Theta \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  holds. Then we obtain  $\{\gamma, a, b\} \cup \text{k}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}) \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$ . This means that  $\text{k}(\Gamma) \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  holds as long as  $\Theta \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  holds, i.e., as long as we are concerned with branches for  $\text{k}(\iota) \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  in, e.g., inferences  $(\wedge)$ :  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_{\iota})_{\iota \in J}$

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, A, A_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in J}}{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma, A} (\wedge) \rightsquigarrow \frac{\{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_b^{a_0} \Gamma, A, A_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in J, \text{k}(\iota) \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}}}{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta] \vdash_b^a \Gamma, A} (\wedge)$$

and dually  $\text{k}(\iota) \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$  for a minor formula  $A_{\iota}$  of a  $(\vee)$  with the main formula  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_{\iota})_{\iota \in J}$ , provided that  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(\rho) \cap \mathbb{S} \subset \rho$ . The proviso means that  $\gamma_1 \geq \gamma$  when  $\rho = \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^f(\gamma_1)$ . Such a  $\rho \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta]$  only when  $\rho \in \Theta$ . Let us try to replace the inferences for the stability of  $\mathbb{S}$

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta) \vdash \Gamma, B(u) \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash \Gamma, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}\}_{\Theta \subset E_{\sigma}^{\mathbb{S}}}}{(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta) \vdash \Gamma} (\text{stbl})$$

by inferences for reflection of  $\rho$  with  $\Theta \subset E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$ : If  $B(u)^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$  holds, then  $B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$

holds for some  $\sigma < \rho$ .

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\rho\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}, B(u)^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\rho, \sigma\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \}_{\Theta \subset E_\sigma^\mathbb{S}, \sigma < \rho}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\rho\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}} \text{ (rfl)}$$

However we need to eliminate the inferences for reflections in transfinite levels. In view of analysis in section 5 for first-order reflection,  $\Gamma^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}, B(u)^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$  is replaced by  $\Gamma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ , and  $\Gamma^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  by  $\Gamma^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  with  $\sigma < \kappa < \rho$ .

$$\frac{\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\rho, \sigma\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \quad (\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\kappa, \rho, \sigma\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}}{\{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\kappa\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]}, \neg \theta^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]} \}_{\theta \in \Gamma} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\kappa, \rho, \sigma\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]}, \Gamma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \}_\sigma} \text{ (cut)}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\kappa, \rho\}) \vdash \Gamma^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]}} \text{ (rfl)}$$

We are replacing formulas  $\Gamma^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$  by  $\Gamma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  or by  $\Gamma^{[\kappa/\mathbb{S}]}$ . This means that  $\alpha[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]$  is substituted for each  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$ . Namely a composition of uncollapsing and collapsing  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] \mapsto \alpha \mapsto \alpha[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]$  arises. Hence we need  $\alpha \in E_\sigma^\mathbb{S} \subsetneq E_\rho^\mathbb{S}$  for  $\sigma < \rho$ . However we have  $\Theta \cup \{\rho\} \not\subset E_\sigma^\mathbb{S}$ , and the schema seems to be broken. Moreover the finite sets  $\Theta \cup \{\rho\}$  becomes bigger to  $\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \rho\}$ . Is it remain finite in eliminating inferences of reflections in transfinite level?

Looking back at the proof of Lemma 4.13, for  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma_2$  and  $\Delta \subset \Pi_2$

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash \Gamma^{(\pi, \mathbb{K})}, \neg \delta^{(\pi, \mathbb{K})}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\rho\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\pi, \mathbb{K})}, \Delta^{(\rho, \mathbb{K})}\}_\rho}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash \Gamma^{(\pi, \mathbb{K})}} \text{ (rfl}_{\Pi_3})$$

is rewritten to

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}, \neg \delta^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Delta^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}}{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa\}] \vdash \neg \theta^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}\}_{\theta \in \Gamma} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\kappa, \sigma\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\kappa, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\sigma, \mathbb{K})}\}_\sigma} \text{ (rfl}_{\Pi_2})$$

This is done by replacing the restriction  $(\pi, \mathbb{K})$  by  $(\sigma, \mathbb{K})$  or  $(\kappa, \mathbb{K})$ , and ordinals  $\pi, \sigma, \kappa$  enter derivations, but do we need to control these ordinals? Instead of the restriction  $(\pi, \mathbb{K})$ , formulas could put on *caps*  $\pi, \sigma, \kappa$  in such a way that  $k(A^{(\sigma)}) = k(A)$ . This means that the cap  $\sigma$  does not ‘occur’ in a capped formula  $A^{(\sigma)}$ . If we choose an ordinal  $\gamma_0$  big enough (depending on a given finite proof figure), every ordinal ‘occurring’ in derivations (including the subscript  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0$  in the operators  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma$ ) is in  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0} = \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}(\emptyset)$  for the ordinal  $\gamma_0$ , while each cap  $\rho$  exceeds the *threshold*  $\gamma_0$  in the sense that  $\rho \notin \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}(\rho) \cap \mathbb{S} \subset \rho$ . Then every ordinal ‘occurring’ in derivations is in the domain  $E_\rho^\mathbb{S}$  of the Mostowski collapsing  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$ . Now details follow.

## 6.1 Ordinals for one stable ordinal

For a while,  $\mathbb{S}$  denotes a weakly inaccessible cardinal.

**Definition 6.2** Let  $\Lambda = \omega_{\mathbb{S}+1}$  or  $\Lambda = \mathbb{S}^+$ .  $\varphi_b(\xi)$  denotes the binary Veblen function on  $\Lambda^+$  with  $\varphi_0(\xi) = \omega^\xi$ , and  $\tilde{\varphi}_b(\xi) := \varphi_b(\Lambda \cdot \xi)$  for the epsilon number  $\Lambda$ .

Let  $b, \xi < \Lambda^+$ .  $\theta_b(\xi)$  [ $\tilde{\theta}_b(\xi)$ ] denotes a  $b$ -th iterate of  $\varphi_0(\xi) = \omega^\xi$  [of  $\tilde{\varphi}_0(\xi) = \Lambda^\xi$ ], resp.

**Definition 6.3** Let  $\xi < \varphi_\Lambda(0)$  be a non-zero ordinal with its normal form:

$$\xi = \sum_{i \leq m} \tilde{\theta}_{b_i}(\xi_i) \cdot a_i =_{NF} \tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m) \cdot a_m + \cdots + \tilde{\theta}_{b_0}(\xi_0) \cdot a_0 \quad (30)$$

where  $\tilde{\theta}_{b_i}(\xi_i) > \xi_i$ ,  $\tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m) > \cdots > \tilde{\theta}_{b_0}(\xi_0)$ ,  $b_i = \omega^{c_i} < \Lambda$ , and  $0 < a_0, \dots, a_m < \Lambda$ .  $SC_\Lambda(\xi) = \bigcup_{i \leq m} (\{a_i\} \cup SC_\Lambda(\xi_i))$ .

$\tilde{\theta}_{b_0}(\xi_0)$  is said to be the *tail* of  $\xi$ , denoted  $\tilde{\theta}_{b_0}(\xi_0) = tl(\xi)$ , and  $\tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m)$  the *head* of  $\xi$ , denoted  $\tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m) = hd(\xi)$ .

1.  $\zeta$  is a *segment* of  $\xi$  iff there exists an  $n$  ( $0 \leq n \leq m+1$ ) such that  $\zeta =_{NF} \sum_{i \geq n} \tilde{\theta}_{b_i}(\xi_i) \cdot a_i = \tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m) \cdot a_m + \cdots + \tilde{\theta}_{b_n}(\xi_n) \cdot a_n$  for  $\xi$  in (30).
2. Let  $\zeta =_{NF} \tilde{\theta}_b(\xi)$  with  $\tilde{\theta}_b(\xi) > \xi$  and  $b = \omega^{b_0}$ , and  $c$  be ordinals. An ordinal  $\tilde{\theta}_{-c}(\zeta)$  is defined recursively as follows. If  $b \geq c$ , then  $\tilde{\theta}_{-c}(\zeta) = \tilde{\theta}_{b-c}(\xi)$ . Let  $c > b$ . If  $\xi > 0$ , then  $\tilde{\theta}_{-c}(\zeta) = \tilde{\theta}_{-(c-b)}(\tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m))$  for the head term  $hd(\xi) = \tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m)$  of  $\xi$  in (30). If  $\xi = 0$ , then let  $\tilde{\theta}_{-c}(\zeta) = 0$ .

**Definition 6.4** 1. A function  $f : \Lambda \rightarrow \varphi_\Lambda(0)$  with a *finite* support  $\text{supp}(f) = \{c < \Lambda : f(c) \neq 0\} \subset \Lambda$  is said to be a *finite function* if  $\forall i > 0 (a_i = 1)$  and  $a_0 = 1$  when  $b_0 > 1$  in  $f(c) =_{NF} \tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m) \cdot a_m + \cdots + \tilde{\theta}_{b_0}(\xi_0) \cdot a_0$  for any  $c \in \text{supp}(f)$ .

It is identified with the finite function  $f \upharpoonright \text{supp}(f)$ . When  $c \notin \text{supp}(f)$ , let  $f(c) := 0$ .  $SC_\Lambda(f) := \bigcup \{\{c\} \cup SC_\Lambda(f(c)) : c \in \text{supp}(f)\}$ .  $f, g, h, \dots$  range over finite functions.

For an ordinal  $c$ ,  $f_c$  and  $f^c$  are restrictions of  $f$  to the domains  $\text{supp}(f_c) = \{d \in \text{supp}(f) : d < c\}$  and  $\text{supp}(f^c) = \{d \in \text{supp}(f) : d \geq c\}$ .  $g_c * f^c$  denotes the concatenated function such that  $\text{supp}(g_c * f^c) = \text{supp}(g_c) \cup \text{supp}(f^c)$ ,  $(g_c * f^c)(a) = g(a)$  for  $a < c$ , and  $(g_c * f^c)(a) = f(a)$  for  $a \geq c$ .

2. Let  $f$  be a finite function and  $c, \xi$  ordinals. A relation  $f <^c \xi$  is defined by induction on the cardinality of the finite set  $\{d \in \text{supp}(f) : d > c\}$  as follows. If  $f^c = \emptyset$ , then  $f <^c \xi$  holds. For  $f^c \neq \emptyset$ ,  $f <^c \xi$  iff there exists a segment  $\mu$  of  $\xi$  such that  $f(c) < \mu$  and  $f <^{c+d} \tilde{\theta}_{-d}(tl(\mu))$  for  $d = \min\{c + d \in \text{supp}(f) : d > 0\}$ .

**Proposition 6.5**  $f <^c \xi \leq \zeta \Rightarrow f <^c \zeta$ .

## 6.2 Mahlo classes for $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection

In Lemma 4.8 and Proposition 5.2.2, it is crucial the fact that  $P \in M_k(\gamma) \Rightarrow P \in M_k(M_k(\gamma) \cap M_{k+1}(\nu))$  if  $P \in M_{k+1}(\xi_{k+1})$  and  $\nu < \xi_{k+1}$ . This means that if  $P$  is in a higher Mahlo class, then  $P$  reflects a fact on  $P$  in lower Mahlo classes.

$P \in M_c(\xi)$  is defined by main induction on  $c$  with subsidiary induction on  $P$ .

$$P \in M_c(\xi) :\Leftrightarrow \forall f <^c \xi \forall g [P \in M_0(g_c) \Rightarrow P \in M_2(M_0(g_c * f^c))] \quad (31)$$

where  $f, g$  range over finite functions and

$$M_c(f) := \bigcap \{M_d(f(d)) : d \in \text{supp}(f^c)\} = \bigcap \{M_d(f(d)) : c \leq d \in \text{supp}(f)\}.$$

From Proposition 6.5 we see  $\xi < \zeta \Rightarrow M_c(\xi) \supset M_c(\zeta)$ .

For classes  $\mathcal{X}$  let

$$P \in M_c(\mathcal{X}) :\Leftrightarrow \forall g [P \in M_0(g_c) \Rightarrow P \in M_2(M_0(g_c) \cap \mathcal{X})].$$

Then by  $M_0(g_c * f^c) = M_0(g_c) \cap M_c(f^c)$ ,  $P \in M_c(\xi) \Leftrightarrow \forall f <^c \xi [P \in M_c(M_c(f^c))]$ , i.e.,  $M_c(\xi) = \bigcap_{f <^c \xi} M_c(M_c(f^c))$ .

**Proposition 6.6** *Suppose  $P \in M_c(\xi)$ .*

1. *Let  $f <^c \xi$ . Then  $P \in M_c(M_c(f^c))$ .*
2. *Let  $P \in M_d(\mathcal{X})$  for  $d > c$ . Then  $P \in M_c(M_c(\xi) \cap \mathcal{X})$ .*

**Proof.** 6.6.1. Let  $g$  be a function such that  $P \in M_0(g_c)$ . By the definition (31) of  $P \in M_c(\xi)$  we obtain  $P \in M_2(M_0(g_c) \cap M_c(f^c))$ .

6.6.2. Let  $P \in M_d(\mathcal{X})$  for  $d > c$ . Let  $g$  be a function such that  $P \in M_0(g_c)$ . We obtain by  $d > c$  with the function  $g_c * h$ ,  $P \in M_2(M_0(g_c) \cap M_c(\xi) \cap \mathcal{X})$ , where  $\text{supp}(h) = \{c\}$  and  $h(c) = \xi$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 6.7** *Assume  $P \in M_d(\xi) \cap M_c(\xi_0)$ ,  $\xi_0 \neq 0$ , and  $d < c$ . Moreover let  $\xi_1 \leq \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(\xi_0)$ . Then  $P \in M_d(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1) \cap M_d(M_d(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1))$ .*

**Proof.** This is seen as in Lemma 4.11.

We obtain  $P \in M_c(\xi_0) \subset M_c(M_c(\emptyset))$  by Proposition 6.6.1. Let  $P \in M_d(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1) \cap M_0(g_d)$  for a function  $g$ . We show  $P \in M_2(M_0(g_d) \cap M_d(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1))$ . Let  $h = g_d \cup \{(d, \xi \dot{+} \xi_1)\}$ . Then  $P \in M_0(h_c)$  by  $d < c$ .  $P \in M_c(M_c(\emptyset))$  yields  $P \in M_2(M_0(h_c) \cap M_c(\emptyset))$ , and hence  $P \in M_2(M_0(g_d) \cap M_d(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1))$ . Therefore  $P \in M_d(M_d(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1))$ .

Let  $f$  be a finite function such that  $f <^d \xi + \xi_1$ . We show  $P \in M_d(M_d(f^d))$  by main induction on the cardinality of the finite set  $\{e \in \text{supp}(f) : e > d\}$  with subsidiary induction on  $\xi_1$ .

First let  $f <^d \mu$  for a segment  $\mu$  of  $\xi$ . We obtain  $P \in M_d(\mu)$  and  $P \in M_d(M_d(f^d))$ .

In what follows let  $f(d) = \xi \dot{+} \zeta$  with  $\zeta < \xi_1$ . By SIH we obtain  $P \in M_d(f(d)) \cap M_d(M_d(f(d)))$ . If  $\{e \in \text{supp}(f) : e > d\} = \emptyset$ , then  $M_d(f^d) = M_d(f(d))$ , and we are done. Otherwise let  $e = \min\{e \in \text{supp}(f) : e > d\}$ .

By SIH we can assume  $f <^e \tilde{\theta}_{-(e-d)}(tl(\xi_1))$ . By  $\xi_1 \leq \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(\xi_0)$ , we obtain  $f <^e \tilde{\theta}_{-(e-d)}(\tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(\xi_0)) = \tilde{\theta}_{-e}(\tilde{\theta}_c(\xi_0))$ . We claim that  $P \in M_{c_0}(M_{c_0}(f^{c_0}))$  for  $c_0 = \min\{c, e\}$ . If  $c = e$ , then the claim follows from the assumption  $P \in M_c(\xi_0)$  and  $f <^e \xi_0$ . Let  $e = c + e_0 > c$ . Then  $\tilde{\theta}_{-e}(\tilde{\theta}_c(\xi_0)) = \tilde{\theta}_{-e_0}(hd(\xi_0))$ , and  $f <^c \xi_0$  with  $f(c) = 0$  yields the claim. Let  $c = e + c_1 > e$ . Then  $\tilde{\theta}_{-e}(\tilde{\theta}_c(\xi_0)) = \tilde{\theta}_{c_1}(\xi_0)$ . MIH yields the claim.

On the other hand we have  $M_d(f^d) = M_d(f(d)) \cap M_{c_0}(f^{c_0})$ .  $P \in M_d(f(d)) \cap M_{c_0}(M_{c_0}(f^{c_0}))$  with  $d < c_0$  yields by Proposition 6.6.2,  $P \in M_d(M_d(f(d)) \cap M_{c_0}(f^{c_0}))$ , i.e.,  $P \in M_d(M_d(f^d))$ .  $\square$

For finite functions  $f$  and  $g$ ,

$$M_0(g) \prec M_0(f) :\Leftrightarrow \forall P \in M_0(f) (P \in M_2(M_0(g))).$$

**Corollary 6.8** *Let  $f, g$  be finite functions and  $c \in \text{supp}(f)$ . Assume that there exists an ordinal  $d < c$  such that  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(f) = (d, c) \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$ ,  $g_d = f_d$ ,  $g(d) < f(d) \dot{+} \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(f(c)) \cdot \omega$ , and  $g <^c f(c)$ . Then  $M_0(g) \prec M_0(f)$  holds.*

**Proof.** By Lemma 6.7.  $\square$

**Definition 6.9** An *irreducibility* of finite functions  $f$  is defined by induction on the cardinality  $n$  of the finite set  $\text{supp}(f)$ . If  $n \leq 1$ ,  $f$  is defined to be irreducible. Let  $n \geq 2$  and  $c < c + d$  be the largest two elements in  $\text{supp}(f)$ , and let  $g$  be a finite function such that  $\text{supp}(g) = \text{supp}(f_c) \cup \{c\}$ ,  $g_c = f_c$  and  $g(c) = f(c) + \tilde{\theta}_d(f(c + d))$ .

Then  $f$  is irreducible iff  $tl(f(c)) > \tilde{\theta}_d(f(c + d))$  and  $g$  is irreducible.

**Definition 6.10** Let  $f, g$  be irreducible finite functions, and  $b$  an ordinal. Let us define a relation  $f <_{lx}^b g$  by induction on the cardinality  $\#\{e \in \text{supp}(f) \cup \text{supp}(g) : e \geq b\}$  as follows.  $f <_{lx}^b g$  holds iff  $f^b \neq g^b$  and for the ordinal  $c = \min\{c \geq b : f(c) \neq g(c)\}$ , one of the following conditions is met:

1.  $f(c) < g(c)$  and let  $\mu$  be the shortest part of  $g(c)$  such that  $f(c) < \mu$ . Then for any  $c < c + d \in \text{supp}(f)$ , if  $tl(\mu) \leq \tilde{\theta}_d(f(c + d))$ , then  $f <_{lx}^{c+d} g$  holds.
2.  $f(c) > g(c)$  and let  $\nu$  be the shortest part of  $f(c)$  such that  $\nu > g(c)$ . Then there exist a  $c < c + d \in \text{supp}(g)$  such that  $f <_{lx}^{c+d} g$  and  $tl(\nu) \leq \tilde{\theta}_d(g(c + d))$ .

**Proposition 6.11** *If  $f <_{lx}^0 g$ , then  $M_0(f) \prec M_0(g)$ .*

**Proof.** This is seen from Corollary 6.8.  $\square$

### 6.3 Skolem hulls and collapsing functions

**Definition 6.12** Let  $\mathbb{K} = \omega_{\mathbb{S}+1}$ ,  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  and  $X \subset \Gamma_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ .

1.  $\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  denotes the Skolem hull of  $\{0, \Omega, \mathbb{S}, \mathbb{K}\} \cup X$  under the functions  $+, \varphi, \beta \mapsto \psi_\Omega(\beta)$  ( $\beta < a$ ),  $\mathbb{S} > \alpha \mapsto \alpha^+$  and  $(\pi, b, f) \mapsto \psi_\pi^f(b)$ , where  $b < a$  and  $f$  is a finite function such that  $f \in \mathcal{H}_a(X) :\Leftrightarrow SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(X)$ .

2. Let  $c < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  and  $\xi < \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$ .  $\pi \in Mh_c^a(\xi)$  iff  $\{a, c, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$  and
$$\forall f <^c \xi \forall g (SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \ \& \ \pi \in Mh_0^a(g_c) \Rightarrow \pi \in M_2(Mh_0^a(g_c * f^c)))$$
(32)

where

$$Mh_c^a(f) := \bigcap \{Mh_d^a(f(d)) : d \in \text{supp}(f^c)\} = \bigcap \{Mh_d^a(f(d)) : c \leq d \in \text{supp}(f)\}.$$

- 3.

$$\psi_\pi^f(a) := \min(\{\pi\} \cup \{\kappa \in Mh_0^a(f) \cap \pi : \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \pi \subset \kappa, \{\pi, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa)\})$$
(33)

*Shrewd cardinals* are introduced by [Rathjen05b]. A cardinal  $\kappa$  is *shrewd* iff for any  $\eta > 0$ ,  $P \subset V_\kappa$ , and formula  $\varphi(x, y)$ , if  $V_{\kappa+\eta} \models \varphi[P, \kappa]$ , then there are  $0 < \kappa_0, \eta_0 < \kappa$  such that  $V_{\kappa_0+\eta_0} \models \varphi[P \cap V_{\kappa_0}, \kappa_0]$ .  $\tilde{T}$  denotes the extension of ZFC by the axiom stating that  $\mathbb{S}$  is a shrewd cardinal.

**Lemma 6.13**  $\tilde{T}$  proves that  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_c^a(\xi) \cap M_2(Mh_c^a(\xi))$  for every  $a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$ ,  $c < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\xi < \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$  such that  $\{a, c, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$ .

**Proof.** We show the lemma by induction on  $\xi < \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$ .

Let  $\{a, c, \xi\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$  and  $f <^c \xi$ . We show  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_c^a(f^c)$ , and  $\mathbb{S} \in M_2(Mh_0^a(g_c) \cap Mh_c^a(f^c))$  assuming  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_0^a(g_c)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g_c) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$ .

For each  $d \in \text{supp}(f^c)$  we obtain  $f(d) < \xi$  by  $\theta_{-e}(\zeta) \leq \zeta$ . IH yields  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_c^a(f^c)$ .

We have to show  $\mathbb{S} \in M_2(A \cap B)$  for  $A = Mh_0^a(g_c) \cap \mathbb{S}$  and  $B = Mh_c^a(f^c) \cap \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $C$  be a club subset of  $\mathbb{S}$ .

We have  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_0^a(g_c) \cap Mh_c^a(f^c)$ , and  $\{a, c\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g_c, f^c) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$ . Pick a  $b < \mathbb{S}$  so that  $\{a, c\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g_c, f^c) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(b)$ , and a bijection  $F : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$ . Each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S}) \cap \Gamma_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  is identified with its code, denoted by  $F^{-1}(\alpha)$ . Let  $P$  be the class  $P = \{(\pi, d, \alpha) \in \mathbb{S}^3 : \pi \in Mh_{F(d)}^a(F(\alpha))\}$ , where  $F(d) < \mathbb{K}$  and  $F(\alpha) < \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$  with  $\{F(d), F(\alpha)\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$ . For fixed  $a$ , the set  $\{(d, \eta) \in \mathbb{K} \times \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0) : \mathbb{S} \in Mh_d^a(\eta)\}$  is defined from the class  $P$  by recursion on ordinals  $d < \mathbb{K}$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a formula such that  $V_{\mathbb{S}+\mathbb{K}} \models \varphi[P, C, \mathbb{S}, b]$  iff  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_0^a(g_c) \cap Mh_c^a(f^c)$  and  $C$  is a club subset of  $\mathbb{S}$ . Since  $\mathbb{S}$  is shrewd, pick  $b < \mathbb{S}_0 < \mathbb{K}_0 < \mathbb{S}$  such that  $V_{\mathbb{S}_0+\mathbb{K}_0} \models \varphi[P \cap \mathbb{S}_0, C \cap \mathbb{S}_0, \mathbb{S}_0, b]$ . We obtain  $\mathbb{S}_0 \in A \cap B \cap C$ . Therefore  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_c^a(\xi)$  is shown.  $\mathbb{S} \in M_2(Mh_c^a(\xi))$  is seen from the shrewdness of  $\mathbb{S}$ .  $\square$



**Corollary 6.14**  $\tilde{T}$  proves that  $\forall a < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1} \forall c < \mathbb{K}[\{a, c, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S}) \rightarrow \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^f(a) < \mathbb{S}]$  for every  $\xi < \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$  and finite functions  $f$  such that  $\text{supp}(f) = \{c\}$ ,  $c < \mathbb{K}$  and  $f(c) = \xi$ .

**Lemma 6.15** Assume  $\mathbb{S} \geq \pi \in Mh_d^a(\xi) \cap Mh_c^a(\xi_0)$ ,  $\xi_0 \neq 0$ , and  $d < c$ . Moreover let  $\xi_1 \in \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$  for  $\xi_1 \leq \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(\xi_0)$ . Then  $\pi \in Mh_d^a(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1) \cap M_d^a(Mh_d^a(\xi \dot{+} \xi_1))$ .

**Proof.** As in Lemma 6.7.  $\square$

**Definition 6.16** For finite functions  $f$  and  $g$ ,

$$Mh_0^a(g) \prec Mh_0^a(f) :\Leftrightarrow \forall \pi \in Mh_0^a(f) (SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \Rightarrow \pi \in M_2(Mh_0^a(g))).$$

**Corollary 6.17** Let  $f, g$  be finite functions and  $c \in \text{supp}(f)$ . Assume that there exists an ordinal  $d < c$  such that  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(f) = (d, c) \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$ ,  $g_d = f_d$ ,  $g(d) < f(d) \dot{+} \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(f(c)) \cdot \omega$ , and  $g <^c f(c)$ . Then  $Mh_0^a(g) \prec Mh_0^a(f)$  holds. In particular if  $\pi \in Mh_0^a(f)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$ , then  $\psi_{\pi}^g(a) < \pi$ .

**Proposition 6.18** Let  $f, g : \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$ . If  $f <_{ix}^0 g$ , then  $Mh_0^a(f) \prec Mh_0^a(g)$ .

**Proof.** This is seen from Corollary 6.17.  $\square$

## 6.4 A Mostowski collapsing

$OT(\Pi_1^1)$  denotes a computable notation system of ordinals with a constant  $\mathbb{S}$  for a stable ordinal, collapsing functions  $\psi_{\sigma}^g(a)$  for finite functions  $g$ , where  $\text{supp}(g) = \{d\}$  for a  $d < \mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+$  and  $g(d) < \varepsilon_{\mathbb{K}+1}$  if  $\sigma = \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $m(\alpha) = g$  for  $\alpha = \psi_{\sigma}^g(a)$  and  $\sigma < \mathbb{S}$ . For  $g \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\alpha = \psi_{\sigma}^g(a) \in OT(\Pi_1^1)$  only when  $g$  is obtained from  $f = m(\sigma)$  as follows, cf. Corollary 6.17. There are  $c$  and  $d$  such that  $d < c \in \text{supp}(f)$ , and  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(f) = \emptyset$ . Then  $g_d = f_d$ ,  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$   $g(d) < f(d) + \theta_{c-d}(f(c)) \cdot \omega$ , and  $g <^c f(c)$ .

In what follows, by ordinals we mean ordinal terms in  $OT(\Pi_1^1)$ .  $\Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$  denotes the set of ordinal terms  $\psi_{\sigma}^f(a)$  for some  $a, f$  and  $\sigma \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}$ . Note that in  $OT(\Pi_1^1)$ ,  $\psi_{\sigma}^f(a) \geq \mathbb{S}$  only if  $\sigma = \mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+$  and  $f = \emptyset$ .

We define a Mostowski collapsing  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$ , which is needed to replace inference rules for stability by ones of reflections. The domain of the collapsing  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  is a subset  $M_{\rho}$  of  $E_{\rho}^{\mathbb{S}}$ . For a reason of the restriction, see the beginning of subsection 6.5.

**Definition 6.19** For ordinal terms  $\psi_{\sigma}^f(a) \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}} \subset OT(\Pi_1^1)$ , define  $m(\psi_{\sigma}^f(a)) := f$  and  $s(\psi_{\sigma}^f(a)) := \max(\text{supp}(f))$ . Also  $\mathbf{p}_0(\psi_{\sigma}^f(a)) = \mathbf{p}_0(\sigma)$  if  $\sigma < \mathbb{S}$ , and  $\mathbf{p}_0(\psi_{\mathbb{S}}^f(a)) = a$ .

**Definition 6.20**  $M_{\rho} := \mathcal{H}_b(\rho)$  for  $b = \mathbf{p}_0(\rho)$  and  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$ .

$\alpha = \psi_{\sigma}^g(a) \in OT(\Pi_1^1)$  only when  $\{\sigma, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g) \subset M_{\alpha}$ .

$OT(\Pi_1^1)$  is defined to be closed under  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  for  $\alpha \in M_{\rho}$ . Specifically if  $\{\alpha, \rho\} \subset OT(\Pi_1^1)$  with  $\alpha \in M_{\rho}$  and  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$ , then  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] \in OT(\Pi_1^1)$ .

**Proposition 6.21** *Let  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$ .*

1.  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma(M_\rho) \subset M_\rho$  if  $\gamma \leq \mathfrak{p}_0(\rho)$ .
2.  $M_\rho \cap \mathbb{S} = \rho$  and  $\rho \notin M_\rho$ .
3. If  $\sigma < \rho$  and  $\mathfrak{p}_0(\sigma) \leq \mathfrak{p}_0(\rho)$ , then  $M_\sigma \subset M_\rho$ .

**Definition 6.22** Let  $\alpha \in M_\rho$  with  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$ . We define an ordinal  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  recursively as follows.  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] := \alpha$  when  $\alpha < \mathbb{S}$ . In what follows assume  $\alpha \geq \mathbb{S}$ .

$\mathbb{S}[\rho/\mathbb{S}] := \rho$ .  $\mathbb{K}[\rho/\mathbb{S}] \equiv (\mathbb{S}^+)[\rho/\mathbb{S}] := \rho^+$ .  $(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(a))[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = (\psi_{\mathbb{S}^+}(a))[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = \psi_{\rho^+}(a[\rho/\mathbb{S}])$ . The map commutes with  $+$  and  $\varphi$ .

**Lemma 6.23** *For  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$ ,  $\{\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] : \alpha \in M_\rho\}$  is a transitive collapse of  $M_\rho$  in the sense that  $\beta < \alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta[\rho/\mathbb{S}] < \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$ ,  $\beta \in \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\gamma) \Leftrightarrow \beta[\rho/\mathbb{S}] \in \mathcal{H}_{\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}(\gamma[\rho/\mathbb{S}])$  for  $\gamma > \mathbb{S}$ , and  $OT(\Pi_1^1) \cap \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = \{\beta[\rho/\mathbb{S}] : \beta \in M_\rho \cap \alpha\}$  for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in M_\rho$ .*

Let  $\rho \leq \mathbb{S}$ , and  $\iota$  an  $RS$ -term or an  $RS$ -formula such that  $\mathfrak{k}(\iota) \subset M_\rho$ , where  $M_{\mathbb{S}} = \mathbb{K}$ . Then  $\iota^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$  denotes the result of replacing each unbounded quantifier  $Qx$  by  $Qx \in L_{\mathbb{K}[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$ , and each ordinal term  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{k}(\iota)$  by  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  for the Mostowski collapse in Definition 6.22.

**Proposition 6.24** *Let  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}$ .*

1. Let  $v$  be an  $RS$ -term with  $\mathfrak{k}(v) \subset M_\rho$ , and  $\alpha = |v|$ . Then  $v^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$  is an  $RS$ -term of level  $\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$ ,  $|v^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}| = \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  and  $\mathfrak{k}(v^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}) = (\mathfrak{k}(v))^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$ .
2. Let  $\alpha \leq \mathbb{K}$  be such that  $\alpha \in M_\rho$ . Then  $(Tm(\alpha))^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]} := \{v^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]} : v \in Tm(\alpha), \mathfrak{k}(v) \subset M_\rho\} = Tm(\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}])$ .
3. Assume  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho) \cap \mathbb{S} \subset \rho$ . For an  $RS$ -formula  $A$  with  $\mathfrak{k}(A) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\rho)$ ,  $A^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$  is an  $RS$ -formula such that  $\mathfrak{k}(A^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}) \subset \{\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] : \alpha \in \mathfrak{k}(A)\} \cup \{\mathbb{K}[\rho/\mathbb{S}]\}$ .

For each sentence  $A$ , either a disjunction is assigned as  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$ , or a conjunction is assigned as  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$ . In the former case  $A$  is said to be a  $\bigvee$ -formula, and in the latter  $A$  is a  $\bigwedge$ -formula.

**Definition 6.25** Let  $[\rho]Tm(\alpha) := \{u \in Tm(\alpha) : \mathfrak{k}(u) \subset M_\rho\}$ .

**Proposition 6.26** *Let  $\rho \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}$ . For  $RS$ -formulas  $A$ , let  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_i)_{i \in J}$  and assume  $\mathfrak{k}(A) \subset M_\rho$ . Then  $A^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]} \simeq \bigvee ((A_i)^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]})_{i \in [\rho]J}$ . The case  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_i)_{i \in J}$  is similar.*

## 6.5 Operator controlled derivations for $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection

We define a derivability relation  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$  where  $\mathbb{Q}_\Pi$  is a finite set of ordinals in  $\Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$ ,  $c$  is a bound of ranks of the inference rules (stbl) and of ranks of cut formulas. The relation depends on an ordinal  $\gamma_0$ , and should be written as  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{c, \gamma_0}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$ . However the ordinal  $\gamma_0$  will be fixed. So let us omit it.

The rôle of the calculus  $\vdash_c^{*a}$  is twofold: first finite proof figures are embedded in the calculus, and second the cut rank  $c$  in  $\vdash_c^{*a}$  is lowered to  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+$ . In the next subsection 6.6 the relation  $\vdash_c^{*a}$  is embedded in another derivability relation  $\vdash_{c, e, b_1}^a A^{(\rho)}$  with caps  $\rho$ . In the latter calculus, cut ranks  $c$  as well as the ranks of formulas to be reflected are lowered to  $\mathbb{S}$ , and the inferences for reflections are removed. For this we need to distinguish formulas with smaller ranks  $< \mathbb{S}$  from higher ones.

As in Lemma 4.13, in eliminating of inferences for reflections,

$$\frac{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash \Gamma^{(\rho)}, \neg\delta^{(\rho)}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\rho)}, \Delta^{(\sigma)}\}_\sigma}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash^a \Gamma^{(\rho)}} \text{ (rfl}_\rho\text{)}$$

is rewritten to, cf. Recapping 6.47

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots \rho \rightsquigarrow \sigma}{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash \Gamma^{(\sigma)}, \neg\delta^{(\sigma)}\}_{\delta \in \Delta}} \quad \frac{\vdots \rho \rightsquigarrow \kappa}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\kappa)}, \Delta^{(\sigma)}}}{\{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash \neg\theta^{(\kappa)}, \Gamma^{(\kappa)}\}_{\theta \in \Gamma} \quad \{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}] \vdash \Gamma^{(\kappa)}, \Gamma^{(\sigma)}\}_\sigma} \text{ (cut)}}{\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash \Gamma^{(\kappa)}} \text{ (rfl}_\kappa\text{)}$$

where  $\sigma < \kappa < \rho$ . In the rewriting, the inference (rfl $_\rho$ ) is replaced by (rfl $_\kappa$ ) for a smaller  $\kappa < \rho$ . This means that (rfl $_\rho$ ) is replaced by (rfl $_\sigma$ ) in the part  $\rho \rightsquigarrow \sigma$ .  $\kappa$  reflects  $\Gamma$  to some  $\sigma$ , and  $\sigma$  has to reflect  $\Delta$ , where  $\text{rk}(\Delta) > \text{rk}(\Gamma)$  is possible. Therefore the termination of the whole process of removing is seen to be by induction on reflecting ordinals  $\rho$ , cf. Lemma 6.48.

The Mahlo degree  $g = m(\kappa)$  in  $\kappa = \psi_\rho^g(\alpha)$  is obtained by (an iteration of) a stepping-down  $(f, d, c) \mapsto g$ , where  $f = m(\rho)$ ,  $d < c \in \text{supp}(f)$ ,  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(f) = \emptyset$ ,  $g_d = f_d$ ,  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$ ,  $g(d) < f(d) + \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(f(c)) \cdot \omega$ , and  $g <^c f(c)$ .  $g$  depends on  $a$ ,  $\rho$  and  $\text{rk}(\Gamma^{(\rho)}) := \text{rk}(\Gamma)$ . In showing

$$SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_\alpha(\kappa)$$

$\rho$  and  $\text{rk}(\Gamma^{(\rho)})$  are harmless since these relates to the given ordinal  $\rho$ , while the ordinal  $a$  causes trouble, since all of the reflecting ordinals  $\rho, \dots$  share the ordinal depth  $a$  of the derivation. We need  $a \in \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_0}(\rho)$  if  $\rho = \psi_\sigma^f(\alpha_0)$ , and  $a \in \mathcal{H}_\beta(\tau)$  if  $\tau = \psi_\lambda^h(\beta)$ , and so forth. This leads us to the set  $M_\rho = \mathcal{H}_b(\rho)$  for  $b = \text{p}_0(\rho)$ , where  $\rho = \psi_\alpha^f(\alpha_0)$ , and the condition (35) that  $a$  as well as

ordinals occurring in the derivation should be in  $M_\rho$  for every reflecting ordinal  $\rho$  occurring in derivations. Note that  $M_\rho = \mathcal{H}_b(\rho) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_0}(\rho)$  by  $b \leq \alpha_0$ , but  $E_\rho^{\mathbb{S}} \not\subset \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_0}(\rho)$ . This is the reason why we restrict the domain of the Mostowski collapsing  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  to  $\alpha \in M_\rho \subsetneq E_\rho^{\mathbb{S}}$ .

$\mathbb{Q}_\Pi$  in  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ , is the set of ordinals  $\sigma$  which is introduced in a right upper sequent  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  of an inference (stbl) for stability occurring below  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ , while the set  $\Pi^{[\cdot]} = \bigcup \{\Pi_\sigma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} : \sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi\}$  is the collection of formulas  $\neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ .

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}\}_\sigma \text{ (stbl)}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}}$$

These motivates the following Definitions 6.27, 6.28 and 6.40.

**Definition 6.27** Let  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \Psi_\mathbb{S}$  be a finite set of ordinals, and  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . Define  $M_\mathbb{Q} := \bigcap_{\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}} M_\sigma$ ,

$$[\mathbb{Q}]_A J := [\mathbb{Q}]_{-A} J := \{\iota \in J : \text{rk}(A_\iota) \geq \mathbb{S} \Rightarrow \mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset M_\mathbb{Q}\}$$

$$\mathbf{k}^\mathbb{S}(\Gamma) := \bigcup \{\mathbf{k}(A) : A \in \Gamma, \text{rk}(A) \geq \mathbb{S}\}$$

**Definition 6.28** Let  $\Theta$  be a finite set of ordinals,  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0$  and  $a, c$  ordinals<sup>2</sup>, and  $\mathbb{Q}_\Pi \subset \Psi_\mathbb{S}$  a finite set of ordinals such that  $\mathbf{p}_0(\sigma) \geq \gamma_0$  for each  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi$ . Let  $\Pi = \bigcup \{\Pi_\sigma : \sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi\} \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{K})$  be a set of formulas such that  $\mathbf{k}(\Pi_\sigma) \subset M_\sigma$  for each  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi$ ,  $\Pi^{[\cdot]} = \bigcup \{\Pi_\sigma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} : \sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi\}$ ,  $\Theta^{(\sigma)} = \Theta \cap M_\sigma$  and  $\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi} = \Theta \cap M_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi}$ .

$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  holds for a set  $\Gamma$  of formulas if

$$\mathbf{k}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \ \& \ \forall \sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \left( \mathbf{k}(\Pi_\sigma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\sigma)}] \right) \quad (34)$$

$$\{\gamma, a, c\} \cup \mathbf{k}^\mathbb{S}(\Gamma) \cup \mathbf{k}^\mathbb{S}(\Pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi}] \quad (35)$$

and one of the following cases holds:

- ( $\bigvee$ )<sup>3</sup> There exist  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  and an  $\iota \in J$  such that  $A \in \Gamma$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .
- ( $\bigvee$ )<sup>[\cdot]</sup> There exist  $A \equiv B^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ ,  $B \simeq \bigvee (B_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  and an  $\iota \in [\sigma]J$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}, A_\iota$  with  $A_\iota \equiv B_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ .
- ( $\bigwedge$ ) There exist  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , ordinals  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $A \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota); \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}_\Pi]_A J$ .
- ( $\bigwedge$ )<sup>[\cdot]</sup> There exist  $A \equiv B^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ ,  $B \simeq \bigwedge (B_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , ordinals  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota); \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma; A_\iota, \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}_\Pi]_B J \cap [\sigma]J$ .
- (cut) There exist an ordinal  $a_0 < a$  and a formula  $C$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, \neg C; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} C, \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  with  $\text{rk}(C) < c$ .

<sup>2</sup>In this subsection 6.5 we can set  $\gamma = \mathbb{S}$ .

<sup>3</sup>The condition (4),  $|\iota| < a$  is absent in the inference ( $\bigvee$ ), cf. **Case 3** in Lemma 6.44.

( $\Sigma$ -rf) There exist ordinals  $a_\ell, a_r < a$  and a formula  $C \in \Sigma(\pi)$  for a  $\pi \in \{\Omega, \mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+\}$  such that  $c \geq \pi$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_\ell} \Gamma, C; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_r} \neg \exists x < \pi C(x, \pi), \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .

(stbl) There exist an ordinal  $a_0 < a$ , a  $\bigwedge$ -formula  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ , and a  $u \in Tm(\mathbb{K})$  for which the following hold:  $\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < c$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ ,  $\neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  holds for every ordinal  $\sigma \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$  such that  $\Theta \subset M_\sigma$ .

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}, \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}\}_{\Theta \subset M_\sigma}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}} \text{ (stbl)}$$

Note that  $(\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi}$  if  $\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi} \subset M_\sigma$ .

**Proposition 6.29** (Tautology) *Let  $\gamma \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[k(A)]$  and  $d = \text{rk}(A)$ .*

1.  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A); \emptyset) \vdash_0^{*2d} \neg A, A; \emptyset$ .
2.  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d} \neg A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  if  $k(A) \subset M_\sigma$  and  $\gamma \geq \mathbb{S}$ .

**Proof.** Both are seen by induction on  $d$ . Consider Proposition 6.29.2.

We have  $(k(A) \cup \{\sigma\}) \cap M_\sigma = k(A)$  for (34) and (35), and  $k(A)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}((k(A) \cap \mathbb{S}) \cup \{\sigma\})$  for (34). Note that  $\sigma \notin \mathcal{H}_\gamma[k(A)]$  since  $\sigma \notin k(A) \subset M_\sigma$  and  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0 \leq p_0(\sigma)$ , and  $\text{rk}(A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \notin \mathcal{H}_\gamma[(k(A) \cup \{\sigma\}) \cap M_\sigma]$ .

Let  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . Then  $A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]})_{\iota \in [\sigma]J}$  by Proposition 6.26 and  $k(A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}[(k(A) \cap \mathbb{S}) \cup \{\sigma\}]$ . Let  $I = \{\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} : \iota \in [\sigma]J\}$ . Then  $A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \simeq \bigvee (B_\nu)_{\nu \in I}$  with  $B_\nu \equiv A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  for  $\nu = \iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ , and  $[\{\sigma\}]_{A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}} I = I$  by  $\text{rk}(A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) < \mathbb{S}$ . For  $d_\iota = \text{rk}(A_\iota) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[k(A, \iota)]$  with  $\iota \in [\sigma]J = [\{\sigma\}]_{A^{(\sigma)}} J$  we obtain

$$\frac{\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A, \iota) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d_\iota} \neg A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A, \iota) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d_\iota+1} \neg A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}} (\vee)^{[\cdot]}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d} \neg A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}} (\wedge)$$

and

$$\frac{\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A) \cup k(\iota) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d_\iota} A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; \neg A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A) \cup k(\iota) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d_\iota+1} A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; \neg A_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}} (\vee)}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, k(A) \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d} A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; \neg A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}} (\wedge)^{[\cdot]}$$

□

**Lemma 6.30** (Embedding of Axioms) *For each axiom  $A$  in  $S_1$ , there is an  $m < \omega$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}+m}^{*\mathbb{K} \cdot 2} A$ ; holds for  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+$ .*

**Proof.** We show that the axiom  $\exists x B(x, v) \wedge v \in L_{\mathbb{S}} \rightarrow \exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}} B(x, v)$  ( $B \in \Delta_0$ ) follows by an inference (stbl). In the proof let us omit the operator  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}$ . Let  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$  be a  $\bigwedge$ -formula and  $u \in Tm(\mathbb{K})$ . We may assume that  $\mathbb{K} > d = \text{rk}(B(u)) \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $k_0 = k(B(0))$  and  $k_u = k(u)$ . Let  $k_0 \cup k_u \subset M_\sigma$ .

Then for  $\exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}}B(x) \simeq \bigvee (B(v))_{v \in J}$ , we obtain  $u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in J = Tm(\mathbb{S})$  by  $\text{rk}(\exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}}B(x)) = \mathbb{S}$ . We have  $B(u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \equiv B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ ,  $k_u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} = k(u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}[k(u) \cup \{\sigma\}]$ ,  $(k_0 \cup k_u)_\emptyset = k_0 \cup k_u$  and  $(k_0 \cup k_u \cup \{\sigma\}) \cap M_\sigma = k_0 \cup k_u$ .

$$\frac{k_0 \cup k_u; \vdash_0^{*2d} \neg B(u), B(u); \quad \frac{k_0 \cup k_u \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\} \vdash_0^{*2d} B(u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) ; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}}{\{k_0 \cup k_u \cup \{\sigma\}; \{\sigma\} \vdash_0^{*2d+1} \exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}}B(x); \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}\}_{k_0 \cup k_u \subset M_\sigma}} \quad (\text{V})}{\frac{k_0 \cup k_u; \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*\mathbb{K}} \neg B(u), \exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}}B(x); \quad (\wedge)}{k_0; \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*\mathbb{K}+1} \neg \exists x B(x), \exists x \in L_{\mathbb{S}}B(x);} \quad (\wedge)} \quad (\text{stbl})$$

□

**Proposition 6.31** (Inversion) *Let  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  with  $A \in \Gamma$ ,  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}]_AJ$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup k(\iota); \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .*

**Proposition 6.32** *Let  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . Assume  $\Theta \subset M_\sigma$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .*

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$ . We obtain  $(\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi} \cup \{\sigma\}} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}}$  by the assumption. In an inference (stbl), the right upper sequents are restricted to  $\tau$  such that  $\sigma \in M_\tau$ . Also we need to prune some branches at  $(\wedge)$  and  $(\wedge)^{[\cdot]}$  since  $[(\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi} \cup \{\sigma\})]_AJ \subset [\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}]_AJ$ . □

**Proposition 6.33** (Reduction) *Let  $C \simeq \bigvee (C_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  and  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+ \leq \text{rk}(C) \leq c$ . Assume  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma, \neg C; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*b} C, \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .*

*Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*a+b} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .*

**Proof.** By induction on  $b$  using Inversion 6.31 and Proposition 6.32.

Note that if  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*b(\iota)} C_\iota, \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for an  $\iota \in J$  such that  $\text{rk}(C_\iota) \geq \mathbb{K}$ , we obtain  $k(C_\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}(\mathbb{S})}] \subset M_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}(\mathbb{S})}$  by (35) and Proposition 6.21 with  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0 \leq p_0(\sigma)$  for  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}$ . Hence  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}]_CJ$  if  $k(\iota) \subset k(C_\iota)$ . □

**Proposition 6.34** (Cut-elimination) *Assume  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_{c+1}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  with  $c \geq \mathbb{S}^+ = \mathbb{K}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*\omega^a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .*

**Proof.** This is seen by induction on  $a$  using Reduction 6.33. □

**Lemma 6.35** (Collapsing) *Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma$  be a set of formulas, and  $\Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{K})$ . Suppose  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . Let  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a})$  with  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^a$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_{\beta}^{*\beta} \Gamma^{(\beta, \mathbb{K})}; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  holds.*

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$  as in Theorem 1.22. We have  $\{\gamma, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}}]$  by (35), and  $\beta \in \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}}]$ .

When the last inference is a (stbl), let  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$  be a  $\bigwedge$ -formula and a term  $u \in Tm(\mathbb{K})$  such that  $\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $k(B(u)) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for an ordinal  $a_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}}] \cap a$ . Then we obtain  $\text{rk}(B(u)) < \beta$ .

Consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\Sigma\text{-rfl})$  on  $\mathbb{K}$ . We have ordinals  $a_\ell, a_r < a$  and a formula  $C \in \Sigma$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a_\ell} \Gamma, C; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a_r} \neg \exists x C^{(x, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .

Let  $\beta_\ell = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a}_\ell) \in \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_\ell+1}[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi}] \cap \beta$  with  $\hat{a}_\ell = \gamma + \omega^{a_\ell}$ . IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_\ell+1}, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\beta}^{*\beta_\ell} \Gamma^{(\beta, \mathbb{K})}, C^{(\beta_\ell, \mathbb{K})}; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . On the other, Inversion 6.31 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_\ell+1}, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a_r} \neg C^{(\beta_\ell, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . For  $\beta_r = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\hat{a}_r) \in \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_r+1}[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi}] \cap \beta$  with  $\hat{a}_r = \hat{a}_\ell + \omega^{a_r}$ , IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_r+1}, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\beta}^{*\beta_r} \neg C^{(\beta_\ell, \mathbb{K})}, \Gamma^{(\beta, \mathbb{K})}; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}_\ell+1}, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\beta}^{*\beta} \Gamma^{(\beta, \mathbb{K})}; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  by a *(cut)*.

Note that since  $\Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{K})$ , inferences  $(\wedge)^{[\cdot]}$  are harmless for the condition  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\gamma))$ .  $\square$

## 6.6 Operator controlled derivations with caps

In this subsection we introduce another derivability relation  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, e, b_1}^a \Gamma$ , which depends again on an ordinal  $\gamma_0$ , and should be written as  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, e, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Gamma$ . However the ordinal  $\gamma_0$  will be fixed, and specified in the proof of Theorem 6.51. So let us omit it.

The inference rules (stbl) are replaced by inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  by putting a *cap*  $\rho$  on formulas in Lemma 6.44. In  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, e, b_1}^a \Gamma$ ,  $c$  is a bound for cut ranks and  $e$  a bound for ordinals  $\rho$  in the inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  occurring in the derivation.  $b_1$  is a bound such that  $s(\rho) = \max(\text{supp}(m(\rho))) \leq b_1$ . Although the capped formula  $A^{(\rho)}$  in Definition 6.36, is intended to denote the formula  $A^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$ , we need to distinguish it from  $A^{[\rho/\mathbb{S}]}$ . Our main task is to eliminate inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f))$  from a resulting derivation  $\mathcal{D}_1$ . In Recapping 6.47 the cap  $\rho$  in inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  are replaced by another cap  $\kappa < \rho$ . In this process new inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\sigma, d_1, f_1, b_1))$  arise with  $\sigma < \kappa$ . Iterating this process, we arrive at a derivation  $\mathcal{D}_2$  such that  $s(\rho) \leq \mathbb{S}$ , i.e.,  $\text{supp}(m(\rho)) \subset \mathbb{S} + 1$ . Then caps play no rôle, i.e.,  $A^{(\rho)}$  is ‘equivalent’ to  $A$  for  $A \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ . Finally inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  are removed from  $\mathcal{D}_2$  by throwing up caps and replacing these by a series of *(cut)*’s, cf. Lemma 6.48.

The ordinal, i.e., the threshold  $\gamma_0$  will be specified in the end of this section.

**Definition 6.36** By a *capped formula* we mean a pair  $(A, \rho)$  of *RS*-sentence  $A$  and an ordinal  $\rho < \mathbb{S}$  such that  $\mathbf{k}(A) \subset M_\rho$ . Such a pair is denoted by  $A^{(\rho)}$ . A *sequent* is a finite set of capped formulas, denoted by  $\Gamma_0^{(\rho_0)}, \dots, \Gamma_n^{(\rho_n)}$ , where each formula in the set  $\Gamma_i^{(\rho_i)}$  puts on the cap  $\rho_i \in \mathbb{S}$ . When we write  $\Gamma^{(\rho)}$ , we tacitly assume that  $\mathbf{k}(\Gamma) \subset M_\rho$ . A capped formula  $A^{(\rho)}$  is said to be a  $\Sigma(\pi)$ -formula if  $A \in \Sigma(\pi)$ . Let  $\mathbf{k}(A^{(\rho)}) := \mathbf{k}(A)$ .

**Definition 6.37** Let  $f$  be a non-empty (and irreducible) finite function. Then  $f$  is said to be *special* if there exists an ordinal  $\alpha$  such that  $f(c_{\max}) = \alpha + \mathbb{K}$  for  $c_{\max} = \max(\text{supp}(f))$ . For a special finite function  $f$ ,  $f'$  denotes a finite function such that  $\text{supp}(f') = \text{supp}(f)$ ,  $f'(c) = f(c)$  for  $c \neq c_{\max}$ , and  $f'(c_{\max}) = \alpha$  with  $f(c_{\max}) = \alpha + \mathbb{K}$ .

The ordinal  $\mathbb{K}$  in  $f(c_{\max}) = \alpha + \mathbb{K}$  is a ‘room’ to be replaced by a smaller ordinal, cf. Definition 6.45.

**Definition 6.38** A finite set  $\mathbf{Q} \subset \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$  is said to be a *finite family* for ordinals  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1$  if  $\rho \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0+\mathbb{S}} = \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0+\mathbb{S}}(0)$ ,  $m(\rho) : \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{K}}(0)$  is special such that  $s(\rho) = \max(\text{supp}(m(\rho))) \leq b_1$  and  $\mathfrak{p}_0(\rho) \geq \gamma_0$  for each  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}$ .

The resolvent class  $H_\rho(f, b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta)$  in the following Definition 6.39 is the set of ordinals  $\sigma < \rho$ , which are candidates of substitutes for  $\rho$  in the inference ( $\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1)$ ) for reflection. Note that if  $\mathfrak{p}_0(\sigma) \leq \mathfrak{p}_0(\rho)$  and  $\sigma < \rho$ , then  $M_\sigma \subset M_\rho = \mathcal{H}_{\mathfrak{p}_0(\rho)}(\rho)$ . Moreover if  $\mathfrak{p}_0(\sigma) \geq \gamma_0 \geq \gamma$  and  $\Theta \subset M_\sigma$ , then  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset M_\sigma$  by Proposition 6.21.

**Definition 6.39**  $H_\rho(f, b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta)$  denotes the *resolvent class* for finite functions  $f$ , ordinals  $\rho, b_1, \gamma_0$  and finite sets  $\Theta$  of ordinals defined by  $\sigma \in H_\rho(f, b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta)$  iff  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0+\mathbb{S}} \cap \rho$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(m(\sigma)) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta]$ ,  $\Theta \subset M_\sigma$ ,  $\mathfrak{p}_0(\sigma) = \mathfrak{p}_0(\rho) \geq \gamma_0$ , and  $m(\sigma)$  is special such that  $s(f) = \max(\text{supp}(f)) \leq s(\sigma) \leq b_1$  and  $f' \leq (m(\sigma))'$ , where  $f \leq g \Leftrightarrow \forall i(f(i) \leq g(i))$ .

We define a derivability relation  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^a \Gamma$ , where  $\mathbb{S} \leq \gamma \leq \gamma_0$  is an ordinal,  $\Theta$  a finite set of ordinals,  $\mathbf{Q}$  a finite family for  $\gamma_0, b_1$ , and  $a, c < \mathbb{K} = \mathbb{S}^+$ .  $c$  a bound of cut ranks,  $e$  a bound of  $\rho$  in inference rules ( $\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1)$ ), and  $b_1$  a bound on  $s(\rho)$ . The relation  $\vdash_{c,e}^a$  depends on fixed ordinals  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1$ .

For  $d = \text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S}$ , it may be  $\mathfrak{k}(A) \cup \{d\} \not\subset M_{\mathbf{Q}}$ . Let us avoid deriving the tautology  $\neg A, A$  by a standard derivation to show  $\vdash^{2d} \neg A, A$ .

**Definition 6.40** Let  $\Theta^{(\rho)} = \Theta \cap M_\rho$ ,  $[\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J = [\mathbf{Q}]_A J \cap [\rho] J$ ,  $\mathbb{S} \leq \gamma \leq \gamma_0$  and  $e \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0+\mathbb{S}}(0)$ .

$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^a \Gamma$  holds for a set  $\Gamma = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)} : \rho \in \mathbf{Q}\}$  of formulas if

$$\forall \rho \in \mathbf{Q} \left( \mathfrak{k}(\Gamma_\rho) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}] \right) \quad (36)$$

$$\{\gamma, a, c, b_1\} \cup \mathfrak{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}] \quad (37)$$

and one of the following cases holds:

(Taut)  $\{\neg A^{(\rho)}, A^{(\rho)}\} \subset \Gamma$  for a  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}$  and a formula  $A$  such that  $\text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S}$ .

( $\vee$ ) There exist  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , a cap  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}$ , an ordinal  $a_\iota < a$  and an  $\iota \in [\rho] J$  such that  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_\iota} \Gamma, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ .

Note that if  $\text{rk}(A_\iota) \geq \mathbb{S}$ , then  $\mathfrak{k}(A_\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}] \subset M_{\mathbf{Q}}$  by (37). Hence  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}]_A J = \{\iota \in J : \text{rk}(A_\iota) \geq \mathbb{S} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{k}(\iota) \subset M_{\mathbf{Q}}\}$ .

( $\wedge$ ) There exist  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , a cap  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}$ , ordinals  $a_\iota < a$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J$  such that  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathfrak{k}(\iota), \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_\iota} \Gamma, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ .

Note that if  $\text{rk}(A_\iota) \geq \mathbb{S}$ , then  $\mathfrak{k}(\iota) \subset M_{\mathbf{Q}}$  by  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(A_\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[(\Theta \cup \mathfrak{k}(\iota))_{\mathbf{Q}}]$  for (37), where  $(\Theta \cup \mathfrak{k}(\iota))_{\mathbf{Q}} = \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}} \cup \mathfrak{k}(\iota)$ .



(cut) There exist a cap  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$ , an ordinal  $a_0 < a$  and a formula  $C$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C^{(\rho)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_0} C^{(\rho)}, \Gamma$  with  $\text{rk}(C) < c$ .

( $\Sigma$ -rfl( $\Omega$ )) There exist a cap  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$ , ordinals  $a_\ell, a_r < a$ , and an uncapped formula  $C \in \Sigma(\Omega)$  such that  $c \geq \Omega$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_\ell} \Gamma, C^{(\rho)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_r} \neg(\exists x < \pi C^{(x,\Omega)})^{(\rho)}, \Gamma$ .

(rfl( $\rho, d, f, b_1$ )) There exist a cap  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\Theta \subset M_\rho$ , ordinals  $d \in \text{supp}(m(\rho))$ , and  $a_0 < a$ , a special finite function  $f$ , and a finite set  $\Delta$  of uncapped formulas enjoying the following conditions.

(r0)  $\rho < e$  if  $s(\rho) > \mathbb{S}$ .

(r1)  $\Delta \subset \bigvee(d) := \{\delta : \text{rk}(\delta) < d, \delta \text{ is a } \bigvee\text{-formula}\} \cup \{\delta : \text{rk}(\delta) < \mathbb{S}\}$ .

(r2) For the special finite function  $g = m(\rho)$ ,  $s(f) \leq b_1$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f, g) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$  and  $f_d = g_d \& f^d <^d g^d(d)$ .

(r3) For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta^{(\rho)}$ .

(r4)  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbb{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\sigma)}$  holds for every  $\sigma \in H_\rho(f, b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$ .

$$\frac{\{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg\delta^{(\rho)}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbb{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c,e}^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\sigma)}\}_{\sigma \in H_\rho(f, b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^{a_0} \Gamma} \text{ (rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$$

Note that  $(\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}$  by  $\Theta^{(\rho)} \subset M_\sigma$  and  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

$\{e\} \cup \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  need not to hold.

Suppose  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^a \Gamma$  holds with  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$ . By (36) we have  $\text{k}(A) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$ . We obtain  $\text{k}(A) \subset M_\rho$  by Proposition 6.21.

In this subsection the ordinals  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1$  will be fixed, and we write  $\vdash_{c,e}^a$  for  $\vdash_{c,e,\gamma_0,b_1}^a$ .

**Proposition 6.41** (Tautology) *Let  $\{\gamma\} \cup \text{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(A) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}]$  and  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\text{k}(A) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\sigma)}]$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{0,0}^{2d} \neg A^{(\sigma)}, A^{(\sigma)}$  holds for  $d = \max\{\mathbb{S}, \text{rk}(A)\}$ .*

**Proof.** By induction on  $d$ . Let  $A \simeq \bigvee(A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  with  $\text{rk}(A) \geq \mathbb{S}$ . For  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}]_{A^{(\sigma)}} J \subset [\sigma] J$ , let  $d_\iota = 0$  if  $\text{rk}(A_\iota) < \mathbb{S}$ . Otherwise  $d_\iota = \max\{\mathbb{S}, \text{rk}(A_\iota)\}$ . In each case we have  $d_\iota < d$ . IH yields

$$\frac{\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \text{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{0,0}^{2d_\iota} \neg A_\iota^{(\sigma)}, A_\iota^{(\sigma)}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \text{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{0,0}^{2d_\iota+1} \neg A_\iota^{(\sigma)}, A_\iota^{(\sigma)}} (\bigvee)}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{0,0}^{2d} \neg A^{(\sigma)}, A^{(\sigma)}} (\bigwedge)$$

□

**Proposition 6.42** (Inversion) *Let  $A \simeq \bigwedge(A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  with  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and  $\text{rk}(A) \geq \mathbb{S}$ ,  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J$  with  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^a \Gamma$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \text{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^a \Gamma, A_\iota$ .*

**Proposition 6.43** (Cut-elimination) *Let  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c+d,e}^a \Gamma$  with  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}] \ni c \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^{\varphi_d(a)} \Gamma$ .*

**Proof.** By main induction on  $d$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$  using an analogue to Reduction 6.33 with (37). Note that  $\text{rk}(C) \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}]$  when  $\text{rk}(C) \geq \mathbb{S}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,e}^a \Gamma, C$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 6.44** (Capping) *Let  $\Gamma \cup \Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{K})$  with  $\Pi = \bigcup\{\Pi_\sigma : \sigma \in \mathbf{Q}_\Pi\}$ . Suppose  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{c,\gamma_0}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for  $a, c < \mathbb{K}$  and  $\Pi^{[\cdot]} = \bigcup\{\Pi_\sigma^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} : \sigma \in \mathbf{Q}_\Pi\}$ . Let  $\rho = \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^g(\gamma_1)$  be an ordinal such that  $\mathbf{Q}_\Pi \subset \rho$ ,*

$$\Theta \subset M_\rho \tag{38}$$

and  $g = m(\rho)$  a special finite function such that  $\text{supp}(g) = \{c\}$  and  $g(c) = \alpha_0 + \mathbb{K}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}(2a+1) \leq \alpha_0 + \mathbb{K} \leq \gamma_0 \leq \gamma_1$  with  $\{\gamma_1, c, \alpha_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \cap \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}$ , and  $\text{p}_0(\sigma) \leq \text{p}_0(\rho) = \gamma_1$  for each  $\sigma \in \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ . Let  $\widehat{\Gamma} = \bigcup\{A^{(\rho)} : A \in \Gamma\}$ ,  $\widehat{\Pi} = \bigcup\{\Pi_\sigma^{(\rho)} : \sigma \in \mathbf{Q}_\Pi\}$  and  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\rho\}$ .

Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,\rho+1,\gamma_0,c}^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}$  holds holds for  $\Theta_\Pi = \Theta \cup \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ .

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$ . Let us write  $\vdash_c^a$  for  $\vdash_{c,\rho+1,\gamma_0,c}^a$  in the proof. By assumptions we have  $\Theta \subset M_\rho$  and  $\mathbf{Q}_\Pi \subset \rho$ . Hence  $\Theta = \Theta^{(\rho)}$  and  $\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi} = \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}$ . On the other hand we have  $\text{k}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  and for  $\sigma \in \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ ,  $\text{k}(\Pi_\sigma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\sigma)}]$  by (34). Therefore (36) is enjoyed. We have  $\{\gamma, a, c\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi}]$  by (35). Hence (37) is enjoyed. Moreover we have  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset M_\rho$ .

**Case 1.** First consider the case when the last inference is a (stbl):

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[\cdot]}\}_{\Theta \subset M_\sigma}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}} \text{ (stbl)}$$

Note that it may be the formula  $B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  is in  $\Gamma$ , cf. Embedding 6.30.  $\sigma$  in  $\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}$  ensures us  $\text{k}(B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta \cup \{\sigma\}]$  in (34). This explains the additional set  $\mathbf{Q}_\Pi$  in  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}$ , and the addition would be an obstacle to  $a \in \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}$  in (37).

We have an ordinal  $a_0 < a$ , a  $\wedge$ -formula  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ , and a term  $u \in \text{Tm}(\mathbb{K})$  such that  $\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < c$ . We have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, (B(u))^{(\rho)}, \widehat{\Pi}$  follows from IH.

On the other hand we have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for every ordinal  $\sigma$  such that  $\Theta \subset M_\sigma$ .

Let  $h$  be a special finite function such that  $\text{supp}(h) = \{c\}$  and  $h(c) = \mathbb{K}(2a_0 + 1)$ . Then  $h_c = g_c = \emptyset$  and  $h^c <^c g'(c)$  by  $h(c) = \mathbb{K}(2a_0 + 1) < \mathbb{K}(2a) \leq \alpha_0 = g'(c)$ . Let  $\sigma \in H_\rho(h, c, \gamma_0, \Theta)$ . For example  $\sigma = \psi_\rho^h(\gamma_1 + \eta)$  with  $\eta = \max(\{1\} \cup E_{\mathbb{S}}(\Theta))$ , where  $E_{\mathbb{S}}(\Theta) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Theta} E_{\mathbb{S}}(\alpha)$  with the set  $E_{\mathbb{S}}(\alpha)$  of subterms  $< \mathbb{S}$  of  $\alpha$ . We obtain  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}(\sigma) = M_\sigma$  by  $\Theta \subset M_\rho$ , and  $\{\gamma_1, c, a_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}(\sigma)$ .

We have  $\text{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(B(u)) = \text{k}(B(u)) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}] \subset M_\sigma$  for (37), and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, \neg B(u)^{(\sigma)}, \widehat{\Pi}$  follows from IH with  $\sigma \in M_\rho$ . Since this holds

for every such  $\sigma$ , we obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \rho+1}^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}$  by an inference  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, c, h, c))$  with  $\text{rk}(B(u)) < c \in \text{supp}(m(\rho))$ . In the following figure let us omit the operator  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma$ .

$$\frac{(\Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, B(u)^{(\rho)}, \widehat{\Pi} \quad \{(\Theta_\Pi \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbb{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, \neg B(u)^{(\sigma)}, \widehat{\Pi}\}_\sigma}{(\Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}} \quad (\text{rfl}(\rho, c, h, c))$$

**Case 2.** Second the last inference introduces a  $\bigvee$ -formula  $A$ .

**Case 2.1.** First let  $A \in \Gamma$  be introduced by a  $(\bigvee)$ , and  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . There are an  $\iota \in J$  an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . Let  $\mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset \mathbf{k}(A_\iota)$ . We obtain  $\mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset M_\rho$  by (34),  $\Theta \subset M_\rho$  and  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0 \leq \gamma_1$ . Hence  $\iota \in [\rho]J$ . IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^{a(\iota)} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}$  follows from a  $(\bigvee)$ .

**Case 2.2.** Second  $A \equiv B^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  is introduced by a  $(\bigvee)^{[\cdot]}$  with  $B^{(\sigma)} \in \widehat{\Pi}$  and  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi$ . Let  $B \simeq \bigvee (B_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . Then  $A \simeq \bigvee (B_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]})_{\iota \in [\sigma]J}$  by Proposition 6.26. There are an  $\iota \in [\sigma]J$  and an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{a(\iota)} \Gamma; B_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for  $A_\iota \equiv B_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ . IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^{a(\iota)} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}, (B_\iota)^{(\sigma)}$ . We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}$  by a  $(\bigvee)$ .

**Case 3.** Third the last inference introduces a  $\bigwedge$ -formula  $A$ .

**Case 3.1.** First let  $A \in \Gamma$  be introduced by a  $(\bigwedge)$ , and  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . For every  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}_\Pi]_A J$  there exists an  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota); \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^{a(\iota)} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J \subset [\mathbb{Q}_\Pi]_A J$ , where  $\mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset M_\rho$ . We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}$  by a  $(\bigwedge)$ .

**Case 3.2.** Second  $A \equiv B^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  is introduced by a  $(\bigwedge)^{[\cdot]}$  with  $B^{(\sigma)} \in \widehat{\Pi}$  and  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}_\Pi$ . Let  $B \simeq \bigwedge (B_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  with  $A \simeq \bigwedge (B_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]})_{\iota \in [\sigma]J}$ . For each  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}_\Pi]_B J \cap [\sigma]J$  there is an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota); \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma; A_\iota, \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for  $A_\iota \equiv B_\iota^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ . IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^{a(\iota)} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}, (B_\iota)^{(\sigma)}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}]_{B^{(\sigma)}} J \subset [\mathbb{Q}_\Pi]_B J \cap [\sigma]J$ , where  $\mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset M_\sigma \subset M_\rho$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Gamma}$  follows from a  $(\bigwedge)$ .

The other cases (*cut*) or  $(\Sigma\text{-rfl})$  on  $\Omega$  are seen from IH.  $\square$

## 6.7 Eliminations of inferences (rfl)

In this subsection,  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, c, \gamma))$  are removed from operator controlled derivations of  $\Sigma_1$ -sentences  $\theta^{L_\Omega}$  over  $\Omega$ .

**Definition 6.45** For a special finite function  $g$  and ordinals  $a < \mathbb{K}$ ,  $b < c_{\max} = \max(\text{supp}(g)) < \mathbb{K}$ , let us define a special finite function  $h = h^b(g; a)$  as follows.  $\max(\text{supp}(h)) = b$ , and  $h_b = g_b$ . To define  $h(b)$ , let  $\{b = b_0 < b_1 < \dots < b_n = c_{\max}\} = \{b, c_{\max}\} \cup ((b, c_{\max}) \cap \text{supp}(g))$ . Define recursively ordinals  $\alpha_i$  by  $\alpha_n = \alpha + a$  with  $g(c_{\max}) = \alpha + \mathbb{K}$ .  $\alpha_i = g(b_i) + \tilde{\theta}_{c_i}(\alpha_{i+1})$  for  $c_i = b_{i+1} - b_i$ . Finally put  $h(b) = \alpha_0 + \mathbb{K}$ .

**Proposition 6.46** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be special finite functions with  $c_{\max} = \max(\text{supp}(g))$ .*

1. *Let  $b < e < c_{\max}$  and  $a_0, a_1 < a$ . Then  $h^b(h^e(g; a_0); a_1) \leq (h^b(g; a))'$ .*
2. *Suppose  $f <^d g'(d)$  for a  $d \in \text{supp}(g)$ . Let  $b < d$ . Then  $f_b = (h^b(g; a))_b$  and  $f <^b (h^b(g; a))'(b)$ .*

Recall that  $s(\rho) = \max(\text{supp}(m(\rho)))$ .

**Lemma 6.47** (Recapping)

Let  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c_1, e, \gamma_0, b_2}^a \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}$  for a finite family  $\mathbb{Q}$  for  $\gamma_0, b_2, \mathbb{Q}^t \subset \mathbb{Q}, \forall \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t (s(\rho) > \mathbb{S})$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^f = \mathbb{Q} \setminus \mathbb{Q}^t, \Gamma \cup \Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{K}), \widehat{\Gamma} = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)} : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t\}$ , where each  $\theta \in \Gamma$  is either a  $\bigvee$ -formula or  $\text{rk}(\theta) < \mathbb{S}$ , and  $\Pi$  a set of formulas such that  $\tau \in \mathbb{Q}^f$  for every  $A^{(\tau)} \in \Pi$ .

Let  $\max\{s(\rho) : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t\} \leq b_1$ . For each  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t$ , let  $\mathbb{S} \leq b^{(\rho)} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$  with  $\text{rk}(\Gamma_\rho) < b^{(\rho)} < s(\rho)$ , and  $\kappa(\rho) \in H_\rho(h^{b^{(\rho)}}(m(\rho); \omega(b_1, a)), b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$  with  $\omega(b, a) = \omega^{\omega^b} a$ . Assume  $b_1 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}]$ .

Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa, \gamma_0, b_2}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa$  holds, where  $\mathbb{Q}(\kappa) = \mathbb{Q}^f \cup \{\kappa(\rho) : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t\}$ ,  $c_{b_1} = \max\{c_1, b_1\}$ ,  $e^\kappa = \max(\{\tau \in \mathbb{Q}^f : s(\tau) > \mathbb{S}\} \cup \{\kappa(\rho) : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t\}) + 1$ ,  $\widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\kappa(\rho))} : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t\}$ .

$e^\kappa < e$  holds when  $\mathbb{Q}^t = \{\rho \in \mathbb{Q} : s(\rho) > \mathbb{S}\} \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** We show the lemma by main induction on  $b_1$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$ . The subscripts  $\gamma_0, b_2$  are omitted in the proof. We obtain  $\{\gamma, b_1, a, c_1\} \cup k^{\mathbb{S}}(\Pi, \Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}]$  by the assumption and (37). Then  $\{\gamma, \omega(b_1, a), c_{b_1}\} \cup k^{\mathbb{S}}(\Pi, \Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\kappa)}]$  since  $\Theta^{(\rho)} \subset M_{\kappa(\rho)}$  for each  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t$ . Hence (37) is enjoyed in  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e, \gamma_0, b_2}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa$ .

Let  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t$ . We have  $b^{(\rho)} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(m(\rho)) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$  and  $\Theta^{(\rho)} \subset M_{\kappa(\rho)}$ .  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(h^{b^{(\rho)}}(m(\rho); \omega(b_1, a))) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$  follows. Moreover we have  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(m(\kappa(\rho))) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta^{(\rho)}] \subset M_{\kappa(\rho)}$ .

Consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_2))$  for a  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$ . The case  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}^f$  is seen from SIH. Assume  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t$ . Let  $b = b^{(\rho)}, g = m(\rho), b_1 \geq s(\rho) \geq d \in \text{supp}(g), \kappa = \kappa(\rho), \Gamma = \Gamma_\rho, \widehat{\Lambda} = \bigcup_{\rho \neq \tau \in \mathbb{Q}^t} \{\Gamma_\tau^{(\tau)}\}$ , and  $\widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa = \bigcup_{\rho \neq \tau \in \mathbb{Q}^t} \{\Gamma_\tau^{(\kappa(\tau))}\}$ . We have a sequent  $\Delta \subset \bigvee(d)$  such that  $\text{rk}(\Delta) < d \leq s(\rho) \leq b_1$  and  $k^{\mathbb{S}}(\Delta) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}] \subset M_{\mathbb{Q}}$  by (37) and  $k^{\mathbb{S}}(\Delta) \subset M_{\mathbb{Q}(\kappa)}$  by  $\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\kappa)}$ . There is an ordinal  $a_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}] \cap a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c_1, e}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}, \Gamma^{(\rho)}, -\delta^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ . For each  $\delta \in \Delta \subset \bigvee(d)$  with  $\text{rk}(\delta) \geq \mathbb{S}$ , we have  $\delta \simeq \bigvee(\delta_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . Let  $b_0 = \max(\{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \{\text{rk}(\delta) : \delta \in \Delta\})$ . Then  $s(\rho) > b_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}}]$ . Inversion 6.42 yields for  $\text{rk}(\delta) \geq \mathbb{S}$

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup k(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c_1, e}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}, \Gamma^{(\rho)}, -(\delta_\iota)^{(\rho)} \quad (39)$$

for each  $\iota \in [Q]_{\delta^{(\rho)}} J$ , where  $J \subset Tm(b_0)$  and  $-\delta_\iota \in \bigvee(b_0)$  by  $\text{rk}(\delta_\iota) < \text{rk}(\delta)$ .

On the other side for each  $\sigma \in H_\rho(f, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c_1, e}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}, \Gamma^{(\rho)}, \Delta^{(\sigma)} \quad (40)$$

$f$  is a special finite function such that  $s(f) \leq b_2$ ,  $f_d = g_d$ ,  $f^d <^d g'(d)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$ . Let  $(\mathbf{Q} \cup \{\sigma\})^f = \mathbf{Q}^f \cup \{\sigma\}$ .

**Case 1.**  $b_0 < b$ : Then  $\text{rk}(\Delta) < b$ . Let  $\text{rk}(\delta) \geq \mathbb{S}$ . From (39) we obtain by SIH with  $b > b_0 \geq \mathbb{S}$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota), \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\kappa)}, \neg(\delta_\iota)^{(\kappa)}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}(\kappa)]_{\delta^{(\kappa)}} J \subset [\mathbf{Q}]_{\delta^{(\rho)}} J$ . An inference ( $\wedge$ ) yields

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)+1} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\kappa)}, \neg\delta^{(\kappa)} \quad (41)$$

Moreover SIH yields (41) for  $\text{rk}(\delta) < \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $d_1 = \min\{b, d\}$ . Then  $\Delta \subset \vee(d_1)$  by  $b > b_0$ .

We claim for the special finite function  $h = h^b(g; \omega(b_1, a))$  that

$$f_{d_1} = h_{d_1} \& f^{d_1} <^{d_1} h'(d_1) \quad (42)$$

If  $d_1 = d \leq b$ , then  $h_d = g_d$  and  $g'(d) = g(d) \leq h'(d)$ . Proposition 6.5 yields the claim. If  $d_1 = b < d$ , then Proposition 6.46.2 yields the claim.

On the other hand, for each  $\sigma \in H_\kappa(f, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)}) \subset H_\rho(f, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$  we have by (40) and SIH,

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa) \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\kappa)}, \Delta^{(\sigma)} \quad (43)$$

We have  $\kappa = \kappa(\rho) < \kappa(\rho) + 1 \leq e^\kappa$  for (r0). An inference ( $\text{rfl}(\kappa, d_1, f, b_2)$ ) with (42), (41) and (43) yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\kappa)}$ , where  $d_1 \in \text{supp}(m(\kappa))$  and  $\mathbf{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(\Delta) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}(\kappa)}]$ .

**Case 2.**  $b \leq b_0$ : When  $b = b_0$ , let  $\tau = \kappa$ . When  $b < b_0$ , let  $\tau \in H_\rho(h, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$  be such that  $\kappa < \tau$  and  $m(\tau) = h = h^{b_0}(g; a_1)$  with  $a_1 = \omega(b_1, a_0) + 1$ .

Let  $\sigma \in H_\tau(f, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$ . SIH with (40) and  $b_0 < s(\rho)$  yields

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q}_\tau \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\tau}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)} \Delta^{(\sigma)}, \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\tau)} \quad (44)$$

where  $\mathbf{Q}_\tau = \mathbf{Q}^f \cup \{\kappa(\lambda) : \rho \neq \lambda \in \mathbf{Q}^t\} \cup \{\tau\}$ , and  $e^\tau = \max(\{\lambda \in \mathbf{Q}^f : s(\lambda) > \mathbb{S}\} \cup \{\kappa(\lambda) : \rho \neq \lambda \in \mathbf{Q}^t\} \cup \{\tau\}) + 1$ . Let  $\sigma \in R := \{\sigma \in H_\tau(f, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)}) : (m(\sigma))' \geq (h^{b_0}(g; \omega(b_1, a_0)))'\}$ . We see  $\sigma \in H_\rho(h^{b_0}(g; \omega(b_1, a_0)), b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$ . Moreover  $\text{rk}(\neg\delta_\iota) < b_0$  if  $\text{rk}(\delta) \geq \mathbb{S}$ , and  $\text{rk}(\neg\delta) < b_0$  if  $\text{rk}(\delta) < \mathbb{S} \leq b_0$ .

For each  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}]_{\delta^{(\rho)}} J$  and  $\text{rk}(\delta) \geq \mathbb{S}$ , we obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota), \mathbf{Q}_\sigma) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\sigma}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\sigma)}, \neg(\delta_\iota)^{(\sigma)}$  by  $\text{rk}(\neg\delta_\iota) < b_0$ , SIH and (39), where  $\mathbf{Q}_\sigma \cup \{\tau\} = \mathbf{Q}_\tau \cup \{\sigma\}$ . A ( $\wedge$ ) yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_\sigma) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\sigma}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)+1} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\sigma)}, \neg\delta^{(\sigma)}$ . When  $\text{rk}(\delta) < \mathbb{S}$ , this follows from SIH. Also  $M_{\mathbf{Q}_\sigma} = M_{\mathbf{Q}_\sigma \cup \{\tau\}}$  and  $e^\sigma \leq e^\tau$  by  $\tau > \sigma$ . Therefore

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_\tau \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\tau}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)+1} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\sigma)}, \neg\delta^{(\sigma)} \quad (45)$$

From (44) and (45) by several (*cut*)'s of  $\delta$  with  $\text{rk}(\delta) < d \leq b_1 \leq c_{b_1}$  we obtain for a  $p < \omega$ ,

$$\forall \sigma \in R \left[ (\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q}_\tau \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\tau}^{\omega(b_1, a_0) + p} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\sigma)}, \Gamma^{(\tau)} \right] \quad (46)$$

On the other hand we have  $r = \max\{\mathbb{S}, \text{rk}(\Gamma)\} \leq b < b_1$  and  $\mathbf{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}] = \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\tau}] \subset M_{\mathbf{Q}_\tau}$  by (37), where  $\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}} = \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\tau}$  by  $\Theta^{(\rho)} \subset M_\tau$ . Tautology 6.41 yields for each  $\theta \in \Gamma$

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_\tau) \vdash_{0,0}^{2r} \Gamma^{(\tau)}, -\theta^{(\tau)} \quad (47)$$

Let us define a finite function  $h$  by  $\text{supp}(h) = \text{supp}(g_{b_0}) \cup \text{supp}(f^{b_0+1}) \cup \{b_0\}$ ,  $h_{b_0} = g_{b_0}$  and  $h^{b_0+1} = f^{b_0+1}$ . Let  $(h^{b_0}(g; \omega(b_1, a_0)))(b_0) = \alpha + \mathbb{K}$ . Then  $h(b_0) = \alpha$  if  $f^{b_0+1} \neq \emptyset$ . Otherwise  $h(b_0) = \alpha + \mathbb{K}$ . We see that  $R = H_\tau(h, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$ , and  $h^{b_0} <^{b_0} (m(\tau))' (b_0)$ .

By an inference ( $\text{rfl}(\tau, b_0, h, b_2)$ ) with its resolvent class  $R = H_\tau(h, b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$  and  $\Gamma \subset \bigvee(b_0)$  we conclude from (47) and (46) for  $\text{rk}(\Gamma) < b \leq b_0 \leq s(\tau)$

$$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_\tau) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\tau}^{a_2} \Pi, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma^{(\tau)} \quad (48)$$

where  $a_2 = \max\{2r, \omega(b_1, a_0) + p\} + 1 < \omega(b_1, a) = \omega^{\omega^{b_1}} a$ . If  $b_0 = b$ , we are done. In what follows assume  $b < b_0$ . We have  $a_1 < \omega(b_1, a)$  and  $\omega(b_0, a_2) = \omega^{\omega^{b_0}} a_2 < \omega(b_1, a)$  by  $b_0 < b_1$ . Moreover Proposition 6.46.1 for  $m(\tau) = h^{b_0}(g; a_1)$  yields  $(h^b(m(\tau); \omega(b_0, a_2)))' = (h^b(h^{b_0}(g; a_1); \omega(b_0, a_2)))' \leq (h^b(g; \omega(b_1, a)))'$ .

Let  $(\mathbf{Q}_\tau)^t = \{\tau\}$  and  $\kappa(\tau) = \kappa(\rho) = \kappa$ . Then  $(e^\tau)^\kappa = \max\{\lambda \in (\mathbf{Q}_\tau)^f : s(\lambda) > \mathbb{S} \cup \{\kappa\}\} + 1 = e^\kappa$ . We have  $\mathbf{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(\Gamma) \cup \{b_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\tau}]$ ,  $\text{rk}(\Gamma_\rho) < b^{(\rho)} = b < b_0 = s(\tau) < b_1$  for  $\Gamma = \Gamma_\rho$  and  $b \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\tau)}]$ ,  $\omega(b_0, a_2) < \omega(b_1, a)$  and  $\max\{c_{b_1}, b_0\} = c_{b_1}$ . Also  $\kappa \in H_\rho(h^b(g; \omega(b_1, a)), b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)}) \cap \tau \subset H_\tau(h^b(m(\tau); \omega(b_1, a_2)), b_2, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$ . MIH with (48) yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\kappa)}$ .

Second consider the case when the last inference ( $\bigvee$ ) introduces a  $\bigvee$ -formula  $B$ : If  $B \in \Pi$ , SIH yields the lemma. Assume that  $B \equiv A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)}$  with  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  and  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}$ . We may assume  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}^t$ . We have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c_1, e}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ , where  $a_0 < a$ ,  $\iota \in [\rho]J$ . We claim that  $\iota \in [\kappa(\rho)]J$ . We may assume  $\mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset \mathbf{k}(A_\iota)$ . We have  $\mathbf{k}(A_\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$  by (36).  $\Theta^{(\rho)} \subset M_{\kappa(\rho)}$  yields  $\mathbf{k}(A_\iota) \subset M_{\kappa(\rho)}$ .

Let  $A_\iota \simeq \bigwedge (B_\nu)_{\nu \in I}$  for  $\bigvee$ -formulas  $B_\nu$ , and assume  $\text{rk}(A_\iota) \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Inversion 7.25 yields for each  $\nu \in [\mathbf{Q}]_{A_\iota} I$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\nu), \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c_1, e}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}, (B_\nu)^{(\rho)}$ .

SIH yields for each  $\nu \in [\mathbf{Q}(\kappa)]_{A_\iota} I \subset [\mathbf{Q}]_{A_\iota} I$  that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\nu), \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a_0)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa, (B_\nu)^{(\kappa)}$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a_0) + 1} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa, (A_\iota)^{(\kappa)}$  follows from a ( $\bigwedge$ ). An inference ( $\bigvee$ ) yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, e^\kappa}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa$ .

Other cases are seen from SIH.  $\square$

For  $c \leq \mathbb{S}$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma$  denotes  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \emptyset) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \emptyset$ . Since  $\Theta_\emptyset = \Theta$ , (34) and (35) amount to (3)  $\{\gamma, a, c\} \cup \mathbf{k}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ , and there occurs no inferences

$(\bigvee)^{[1]}$ ,  $(\bigwedge)^{[1]}$  nor (stbl). The inference  $(\Sigma\text{-rfl})$  is only on  $\Omega$ . This means that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma$  is equivalent to  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \vdash_c^a \Gamma$  in Definition 1.16.

**Lemma 6.48** (Elimination of inferences (rfl))

Let  $\mathbf{Q}$  be a finite family for  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1 \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $\max(\text{rk}(\Gamma)) < \mathbb{S}$ ,  $\widehat{\Gamma} = \bigcup\{\Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)} : \rho \in \mathbf{Q}\}$  and  $\Gamma = \bigcup\{\Gamma_\rho : \rho \in \mathbf{Q}\}$ , where  $\text{k}(\Gamma_\rho) \subset M_\rho$ . Suppose  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, e, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \widehat{\Gamma}$ .

Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}} \Gamma$  holds for  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_0 + \mathbb{S}$ ,  $\tilde{a} = \varphi_e(b_1 + a)$ .

**Proof.** By main induction on  $e$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$ . We have  $\{e\} \cup \mathbf{Q} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}$  by Definitions 6.40 and 6.38,  $b_1 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}]$  by (37), and  $\emptyset = \text{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}}]$ .

**Case 1.** First let  $\{\neg A^{(\sigma)}, A^{(\sigma)}\} \subset \widehat{\Gamma}$  with  $\text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S}$  by (Taut). Then  $(\mathcal{H}_0, \text{k}(A)) \vdash_0^{*\mathbb{S}} \neg A, A$  by Tautology 6.29.1 and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}} \Gamma$  by  $\tilde{a} > \mathbb{S}$ .

**Case 2.** Second consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  for a  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}$ . Let  $\mathbf{Q}^t = \{\tau \in \mathbf{Q} : s(\tau) > \mathbb{S}\}$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}^f = \mathbf{Q} \setminus \mathbf{Q}^t$ , and  $\kappa(\tau) \in H_\tau(h^{\mathbb{S}}(m(\tau); \omega(b, a)), b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\tau)})$  for each  $\tau \in \mathbf{Q}^t$ . Let  $g = m(\rho)$ ,  $s(\rho) \geq d \in \text{supp}(g)$ ,  $\kappa = \kappa(\rho)$  when  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}^t$ ,  $\widehat{\Pi} = \bigcup_{\rho \neq \tau \in \mathbf{Q}^f} \Gamma_\tau^{(\tau)}$ ,  $\widehat{\Lambda} = \bigcup_{\rho \neq \tau \in \mathbf{Q}^t} \Gamma_\tau^{(\tau)}$ , and  $\widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa = \bigcup_{\rho \neq \tau \in \mathbf{Q}^t} \Gamma_\tau^{\kappa(\tau)}$ . We have a sequent  $\Delta \subset \bigvee(d)$  and an ordinal  $a_0 < a$  such that  $\text{rk}(\Delta) < d \leq s(\rho)$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, e, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Lambda}, \Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)}, \neg \delta^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ . On the other hand we have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q} \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, e, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Lambda}, \Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)}, \Delta^{(\sigma)}$ , where  $\sigma \in H_\rho(f, b_1, \gamma_0, \Theta^{(\rho)})$ ,  $f$  is a special finite function such that  $s(f) \leq b_1$ ,  $f_d = g_d$ ,  $f^d <^d g'(d)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{K}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$ .

**Case 2.1**  $s(\rho) \leq \mathbb{S}$ : We have  $\text{rk}(\Delta) < d \leq s(\rho) \leq \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $\tilde{a}_0 = \varphi_e(b_1 + a_0)$ . By SIH we obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}_0} \Pi, \Lambda, \Gamma_\rho, \neg \delta$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}_0} \Pi, \Lambda, \Gamma_\rho, \Delta$ , where  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0 + \mathbb{S}} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}[\Theta]$ . Several (cut)'s of  $\text{rk}(\delta) < \mathbb{S}$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}} \Pi, \Lambda, \Gamma_\rho$  for  $\Gamma = \Pi \cup \Lambda \cup \Gamma_\rho$ .

**Case 2.2.**  $s(\rho) > \mathbb{S}$ : Then  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}^t \neq \emptyset$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{b_1, e^\kappa, \gamma_0, b_1}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma_\rho^{(\kappa)}$  follows by Recapping 6.47, where  $b_1 \geq \mathbb{S}$  and  $e^\kappa < e$ . Cut-elimination 6.43 yields for  $a_1 = \varphi_{b_1}(\omega(b_1, a))$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}(\kappa)) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, e^\kappa, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_1} \widehat{\Pi}, \widehat{\Lambda}_\kappa, \Gamma_\rho^{(\kappa)}$ . MIH then yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}_1} \Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma = \Pi \cup \Lambda \cup \Gamma_\rho$  and  $\tilde{a}_1 = \varphi_{e^\kappa}(b_1 + a_1) < \varphi_e(b_1 + a) = \tilde{a}$  by  $e^\kappa < e$  and  $a, b_1 < \tilde{a}$ .

**Case 3.** The last inference is a  $(\bigwedge)$ : We have  $a(\iota) < a$ ,  $A^{(\rho)} \in \widehat{\Gamma}$  with  $A \simeq \bigwedge(A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \text{k}(\iota), \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, e, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a(\iota)} \widehat{\Gamma}, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J$ . Since  $A \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ , we obtain  $[\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J = [\rho] J = J$ . SIH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota$  for each  $\iota \in J$ , where  $\tilde{a}(\iota) = \varphi_e(b_1 + a(\iota)) < \tilde{a}$ . A  $(\bigwedge)$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*\tilde{a}} \Gamma$ .

Other cases are seen from SIH.  $\square$

**Proposition 6.49** (Collapsing) Suppose  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_\Omega(\gamma))$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta) \vdash_\Omega^{*a} \Gamma$  and  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma(\Omega)$ . Then for  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^a$  and  $\beta = \psi_\Omega(\hat{a})$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}, \Theta) \vdash_\beta^{*\beta} \Gamma^{(\beta, \Omega)}$  holds.

**Proposition 6.50** (Cut-elimination) Suppose  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta) \vdash_{c+d}^{*a} \Gamma$  with  $c + d \leq \mathbb{S}$  and  $\neg(c < \Omega \leq c + d)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta) \vdash_c^{*\theta_d(a)} \Gamma$ .

**Theorem 6.51** Assume  $S_1 \vdash \theta^{L_\Omega}$  for  $\theta \in \Sigma$ . Then there exists an  $n < \omega$  such that  $L_\alpha \models \theta$  for  $\alpha = \psi_\Omega(\omega_n(\mathbb{K} + 1))$  in  $OT(\Pi_1^1)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $S_1 \vdash \theta^{L\Omega}$  for a  $\Sigma$ -sentence  $\theta$ . By Embedding 6.30 pick an  $m$  so that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}+m}^{*\mathbb{K}\cdot 2+m} \theta^{L\Omega}; \emptyset$ . Cut-elimination 6.34 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{S}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $a = \omega_m(\mathbb{K} \cdot 2 + m) < \omega_{m+1}(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ . Now let  $\gamma_0 = \omega_{m+2}(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ . Let  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{K}}(\omega^a) > \mathbb{S}$ , where  $\omega^a < \gamma_0 = \omega_{m+2}(\mathbb{K} + 1)$ . Collapsing 7.18 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\omega^{a+1}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\beta}^{*\beta} \theta^{L\Omega}; \emptyset$ .

Let  $\rho = \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^g(\gamma_0)$  with  $g = \{(\beta, \beta + \mathbb{K})\}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}(\beta + 1) = \beta + \mathbb{K}$ . We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\omega^{a+1}}, \emptyset, \{\rho\}) \vdash_{\beta, \rho+1, \gamma_0, \beta}^{\beta} (\theta^{L\Omega})^{(\rho)}$  by Capping 6.44. Cut-elimination 6.43 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\omega^{a+1}}, \emptyset, \{\rho\}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \rho+1, \gamma_0, \beta}^{a_1} (\theta^{L\Omega})^{(\rho)}$  for  $a_1 = \varphi_{\beta}(\beta)$ .

We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}}^{*a_2} \theta^{L\Omega}$  by Lemma 6.48, where  $a_2 = \varphi_{\rho+1}(\beta + a_1)$  and  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_0 + \mathbb{S}$ . Cut-elimination 6.50 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \emptyset) \vdash_{\Omega}^{*a_3} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $a_3 = \theta_{\mathbb{S}}(a_2)$ . Collapsing 6.49 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1+a_3+1}, \emptyset) \vdash_{\eta}^{*\eta} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $\eta = \psi_{\Omega}(\gamma_1 + a_3) < \psi_{\Omega}(\omega_{m+3}(\mathbb{K} + 1))$ . Cut-elimination 6.50 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1+a_3+1}, \emptyset) \vdash_0^{*\theta_{\eta}(\eta)} \theta^{L\Omega}$ . We then see  $L_{\eta} \models \theta$  by induction up to  $\theta_{\eta}(\eta)$ .  $\square$

Actually the bound is shown to be tight.

**Theorem 6.52** [A $\infty$ d]

$\text{KP}\omega + (M \prec_{\Sigma_1} V)$  proves the well-foundedness up to  $\psi_{\Omega}(\omega_n(\mathbb{S}^+ + 1))$  for each  $n$ .

$\text{KP}\omega + (M \prec_{\Sigma_1} V)$  proves an axiom of  $\Sigma_1$ -Separation with parameters from  $M$ .  $\exists b [b = \{x \in a : \varphi(x, c)\} = \{x \in a : M \models \varphi(x, c)\}]$ , where  $c \in M$ ,  $a \in M \cup \{M\}$  and  $\varphi \in \Sigma_1$ . However it is open for us whether the parameter-free  $\Sigma_2^1$ -Comprehension Axiom holds in  $\text{KP}\omega + (M \prec_{\Sigma_1} V)$ .

## 7 $\Pi_1$ -Collection

The axioms of the set theory  $\text{KP}\omega + \Pi_1\text{-Collection} + (V = L)$  consist of those of  $\text{KP}\omega + (V = L)$  plus the axiom schema  $\Pi_1\text{-Collection}$ : for each  $\Pi_1$ -formula  $A(x, y)$  in the language of set theory,  $\forall x \in a \exists y A(x, y) \rightarrow \exists b \forall x \in a \exists y \in b A(x, y)$ . It is easy to see that the second order arithmetic  $\Sigma_3^1\text{-DC} + \text{BI}$  is interpreted to  $\text{KP}\omega + \Pi_1\text{-Collection} + (V = L)$  canonically.

Next we show that  $\text{KP}\omega + \Pi_1\text{-Collection} + (V = L)$  is contained in a set theory  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$ . The language of the theory  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$  is  $\{\in, St, \Omega\}$  with a unary predicate constant  $St$  and an individual constant  $\Omega$ .  $\Delta_0(St)$  denotes the set of bounded formulas in the language  $\{\in, St, \Omega\}$ , in which atomic formulas  $St(t)$  may occur. Similarly  $\Sigma_1(St)$  the set of  $\Sigma_1$ -formulas in the expanded language.  $St(\alpha)$  is intended to denote the fact that  $\alpha$  is a stable ordinal,  $L_{\alpha} \prec_{\Sigma_1} L$ , and  $\Omega = \omega_1^{CK}$ . The axioms of  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$  are obtained from those <sup>4</sup> of  $\text{KP}\omega$  by adding the following axioms. Let  $ON$  denote the class of all ordinals. For ordinals  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha^{\dagger}$  denotes the least stable ordinal above  $\alpha$ . A *successor stable ordinal* is an ordinal  $\alpha^{\dagger}$  for an  $\alpha$ . Note that the least stable ordinal  $0^{\dagger}$  is a successor stable ordinal.

<sup>4</sup>In the axiom schemata  $\Delta_0\text{-Separation}$  and  $\Delta_0\text{-Collection}$ ,  $\Delta_0$ -formulas remain to mean a  $\Delta_0$ -formula in which  $St$  does not occur, while the axiom of foundation may be applied to a formula in which  $St$  may occur.



1.  $V = L$ , and the axioms for recursively regularity of  $\Omega$ .
2.  $\Delta_0(St)$ -collection:

$$\forall x \in a \exists y \theta(x, y) \rightarrow \exists b \forall x \in a \exists y \in b \theta(x, y)$$

for each  $\Delta_0(St)$ -formula  $\theta$  in which the predicate  $St$  may occur.

3.  $L = \bigcup \{L_\sigma : St(\sigma)\}$ , i.e.,

$$\forall \alpha \in ON \exists \sigma (\alpha < \sigma \wedge St(\sigma)) \quad (49)$$

4. For a successor stable ordinal  $\sigma < \mathbb{I}$ ,  $L_\sigma \prec_{\Sigma_1} L = L_{\mathbb{I}}$ :

$$SSt(\sigma) \wedge \varphi(u) \wedge u \in L_\sigma \rightarrow \varphi^{L_\sigma}(u) \quad (50)$$

for each  $\Sigma_1$ -formula  $\varphi$  in the language of set theory, i.e., the constant  $St$  does not occur in  $\varphi$ .

**Lemma 7.1**  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$  is an extension of  $KP\omega + \Pi_1$ -Collection +  $(V = L)$ . Namely  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$  proves  $\Pi_1$ -Collection.

**Proof.** Argue in  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$ . Let  $A(x, y)$  be a  $\Pi_1$ -formula in the language of set theory. We obtain by the axioms (49) and (50)

$$A(x, y) \leftrightarrow \exists \beta (St(\beta^\dagger) \wedge x, y \in L_{\beta^\dagger} \wedge A^{L_{\beta^\dagger}}(x, y)) \quad (51)$$

Assume  $\forall x \in a \exists y A(x, y)$ . Then we obtain  $\forall x \in a \exists y \exists \beta (St(\beta^\dagger) \wedge x, y \in L_{\beta^\dagger} \wedge A^{L_{\beta^\dagger}}(x, y))$  by (51). Since  $St(\beta^\dagger) \wedge x, y \in L_{\beta^\dagger} \wedge A^{L_{\beta^\dagger}}(x, y)$  is a  $\Sigma_1(St)$ -formula, pick a set  $c$  such that  $\forall x \in a \exists y \in c \exists \beta \in c (St(\beta^\dagger) \wedge x, y \in L_{\beta^\dagger} \wedge A^{L_{\beta^\dagger}}(x, y))$  by  $\Delta_0(St)$ -Collection. Again by (51) we obtain  $\forall x \in a \exists y \in c A(x, y)$ .  $\square$

Conversely in  $KP\omega + \Pi_1$ -Collection +  $(V = L)$ , the predicate  $St(\alpha)$  is defined by a  $\Pi_1$ -formula  $st(\alpha)$  so that (50) is provable, and  $\Delta_0(St)$ -collection follows from  $\Pi_1$ -Collection.

**Lemma 7.2**  $KP\omega + \Pi_1$ -Collection proves each of  $\Sigma_1$ -Separation,  $\Delta_2$ -Separation and  $\Sigma_2$ -Replacement.

**Proof.** We show that  $\{x \in a : \varphi(x)\}$  exists as a set for a  $\Sigma_1$ -formula  $\varphi \equiv \exists y \theta(x, y)$  with a  $\Delta_0$  matrix  $\theta$ . We have by logic  $\forall x \in a \exists y (\exists z \theta(x, z) \rightarrow \theta(x, y))$ . By  $\Pi_1$ -Collection pick a set  $b$  so that  $\forall x \in a \exists y \in b (\varphi(x) \rightarrow \theta(x, y))$ . In other words,  $\{x \in a : \varphi(x)\} = \{x \in a : \exists y \in b \theta(x, y)\}$ .  $\square$

Let  $\text{Hull}_{\Sigma_1}(\alpha)$  denote the  $\Sigma_1$ -Skolem hull  $\text{Hull}_{\Sigma_1}(\alpha)$  of an ordinal  $\alpha$ .  $\text{Hull}_{\Sigma_1}(\alpha)$  is the collection of  $\Sigma_1$ -definable elements from parameters  $< \alpha$  in the universe.

Specifically let  $\{\varphi_i : i \in \omega\}$  denote an enumeration of  $\Sigma_1$ -formulas. Each is of the form  $\varphi_i \equiv \exists y \theta_i(x, y; u)$  ( $\theta \in \Delta_0$ ) with fixed variables  $x, y, u$ . Set for  $b \in \alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} r(i, b) &\simeq \text{the } <_L \text{-least } c \in L \text{ such that } L \models \theta_i((c)_0, (c)_1; b) \\ h(i, b) &\simeq (r(i, b))_0 \\ \text{Hull}_{\Sigma_1}(\alpha) &= \{h(i, b) \in L : i \in \omega, b \in \alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

The domain of the partial  $\Delta_1$ -map  $r$  is a  $\Sigma_1$ -subset of  $\omega \times \alpha$ , and from Lemma 7.2 ( $\Sigma_1$ -Separation) we see that the domain exists as a set, and so does  $\text{Hull}_{\Sigma_1}(\alpha)$ . Therefore its Mostowski collapse<sup>5</sup> ordinal  $\beta \geq \alpha$ . This shows (49).

Note that a limit of admissible ordinals need not to be admissible since there exists a  $\Pi_3^-$ -formula  $ad$  such that for any transitive set  $x$ ,  $x$  is admissible iff  $ad^x$  holds. On the other side every limit  $\kappa$  of stable ordinals is stable: for  $c \in L_\kappa$ , pick a stable ordinal  $\sigma < \kappa$  such that  $c \in L_\sigma$ . Then for  $\Sigma_1$ -formula  $A$ ,  $L \models A(c) \Rightarrow L_\sigma \models A(c) \Rightarrow L_\kappa \models A(c)$ .

## 7.1 Ordinals for $\Pi_1$ -Collection

In this subsection up to subsection 7.2 we work in a set theory  $\text{ZFC}(St)$ , where  $St$  is a unary predicate symbol. We assume that  $St$  is an unbounded class of ordinals below  $\mathbb{I}$  such that the least element  $\mathbb{S}_0$  of  $St$  is larger than  $\Omega$ .  $\alpha^\dagger$  denotes the least ordinal  $> \alpha$  in the class  $St$  when  $\alpha < \mathbb{I}$ .  $\alpha^\dagger := \mathbb{I}$  if  $\alpha \geq \mathbb{I}$ . Then  $\mathbb{S}_0 = \Omega^\dagger$ . Let  $SSt := \{\alpha^\dagger : \alpha \in ON\}$  and  $LS = St \setminus SSt$ . For natural numbers  $k$ ,  $\alpha^{\dagger k}$  is defined recursively by  $\alpha^{\dagger 0} = \alpha$  and  $\alpha^{\dagger(k+1)} = (\alpha^{\dagger k})^\dagger$ .

$\varphi_b(\xi)$  denotes the binary Veblen function on  $\mathbb{I}^+ = \omega_{\mathbb{I}+1}$  with  $\varphi_0(\xi) = \omega^\xi$ . Let  $\Lambda \leq \mathbb{I}$  be a strongly critical number. As in Definition 6.2,  $\tilde{\varphi}_b(\xi) := \varphi_b(\mathbb{I} \cdot \xi)$ . Let  $b, \xi < \mathbb{I}^+$ .  $\theta_b(\xi)$  [ $\tilde{\theta}_b(\xi)$ ] denotes a  $b$ -th iterate of  $\varphi_0(\xi) = \omega^\xi$  [of  $\tilde{\varphi}_0(\xi) = \mathbb{I}^\xi$ ], resp.

**Definition 7.3** A finite function  $f : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  is said to be a *finite function* if  $\forall i > 0 (a_i = 1)$  and  $a_0 = 1$  when  $b_0 > 1$  in  $f(c) =_{NF} \tilde{\theta}_{b_m}(\xi_m) \cdot a_m + \dots + \tilde{\theta}_{b_0}(\xi_0) \cdot a_0$  for any  $c \in \text{supp}(f)$ . Let  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) := \bigcup \{ \{c\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f(c)) : c \in \text{supp}(f) \}$ .

For a finite function  $f$ ,  $c < \mathbb{I}$  and  $\xi < \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$ . A relation  $f <_{\mathbb{I}}^c \xi$  is defined by induction on the cardinality of the finite set  $\{d \in \text{supp}(f) : d > c\}$  as in Definition 6.4.2.

**Definition 7.4** Let  $A \subset \mathbb{I}$  be a set, and  $\alpha \leq \mathbb{I}$  a limit ordinal.

$$\alpha \in M(A) \Leftrightarrow A \cap \alpha \text{ is stationary in } \alpha \Leftrightarrow \text{every club subset of } \alpha \text{ meets } A.$$

Classes  $\mathcal{H}_a(X) \subset \Gamma_{\mathbb{I}+1}$ ,  $Mh_c^a(\xi) \subset (\mathbb{I}+1)$ , and ordinals  $\psi_\kappa^f(a) \leq \kappa$  are defined simultaneously as follows.

$\mathcal{H}_a(X)$  denotes the closure of  $\{0, \Omega, \mathbb{I}\} \cup X$  under  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ ,  $a \mapsto \psi_\Omega(a)$ ,  $a \mapsto \psi_{\mathbb{I}}(a) \in LS$ ,  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha^\dagger \in SSt$ , and  $(\pi, b, f) \mapsto \psi_\pi^f(b)$ .

<sup>5</sup>The collapse coincides with  $L_\beta$  for the least ordinal  $\beta$  not in  $\text{Hull}_{\Sigma_1}(\alpha)$ .

$\pi \in Mh_c^a(\xi)$  iff  $\{a, c, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$  and the following condition is met for any finite functions  $f, g : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  such that  $f <_{\mathbb{I}}^c \xi$

$$SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f, g) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi) \ \& \ \pi \in Mh_0^a(g_c) \Rightarrow \pi \in M(Mh_0^a(g_c * f^c))$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Mh_c^a(f) &:= \bigcap \{Mh_d^a(f(d)) : d \in \text{supp}(f^c)\} \\ &= \bigcap \{Mh_d^a(f(d)) : c \leq d \in \text{supp}(f)\} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $a, \pi$  ordinals and  $f : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  a finite function. Then  $\psi_{\pi}^f(a)$  denotes the least ordinal  $\kappa < \pi$  such that

$$\kappa \in Mh_0^a(f) \ \& \ \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \pi \subset \kappa \ \& \ \{\pi, a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \quad (52)$$

if such a  $\kappa$  exists. Otherwise set  $\psi_{\pi}^f(a) = \pi$ .

$$\psi_{\mathbb{I}}(a) := \min(\{\mathbb{I}\} \cup \{\kappa \in LS : \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \mathbb{I} \subset \kappa\}) \quad (53)$$

For classes  $A \subset \mathbb{I}$ , let  $\alpha \in M_c^a(A)$  iff  $\alpha \in A$  and for any finite functions  $g : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$

$$\alpha \in Mh_0^a(g_c) \ \& \ SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g_c) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha \in M(Mh_0^a(g_c) \cap A) \quad (54)$$

**Proposition 7.5** *Each of  $x \in \mathcal{H}_a(y)$ ,  $x \in Mh_c^a(f)$  and  $x = \psi_{\kappa}^f(a)$  is a  $\Delta_1(St)$ -predicate in ZFC( $St$ ).*

## 7.2 A small large cardinal hypothesis

It is convenient for us to assume the existence of a small large cardinal in justification of the above definition.

Subtle cardinals are introduced by R. Jensen and K. Kunen. It is shown in Lemma 2.7 of [Rathjen05b] that the set of shrewd cardinals in  $V_{\pi}$  is stationary in a subtle cardinal  $\pi$ . From this fact we see that the set of shrewd limits of shrewd cardinals in  $V_{\pi}$  is also stationary in a subtle cardinal  $\pi$ , where for a shrewd cardinal  $\kappa$  in  $V_{\pi}$ ,  $\kappa$  is a shrewd limit iff  $\kappa$  is a limit of shrewd cardinals in  $V_{\pi}$ .

Let  $C$  be a closed subset of  $\pi$ , and  $C_0 \subset C$  be a subset defined by  $\kappa \in C_0$  iff  $\kappa \in C$  and  $\kappa$  is a limit of shrewd cardinals. Since the set of shrewd cardinals is stationary in  $V_{\pi}$ ,  $C_0$  is a club subset of  $\pi$ . Hence there exists a shrewd cardinal in  $C_0$ .

In this subsection we work in an extension  $T$  of ZFC by adding the axiom stating that there exists a regular cardinal  $\mathbb{I}$  such that the set  $St$  of shrewd cardinals in  $V_{\mathbb{I}}$  is stationary in  $\mathbb{I}$ . In this subsection  $\Omega$  denotes the least uncountable ordinal  $\omega_1$ , and  $LS$  denotes the set of shrewd limits in  $V_{\mathbb{I}}$ . The class  $LS$  is stationary in  $\mathbb{I}$ . A *successor shrewd cardinal* is a shrewd cardinal in  $V_{\mathbb{I}}$ , not in  $LS$ .

**Lemma 7.6**  $\forall a[\psi_{\mathbb{I}}(a) < \mathbb{I}]$ .

**Proof.** The set  $C = \{\kappa < \mathbb{I} : \mathcal{H}_a(\kappa) \cap \mathbb{I} \subset \kappa\}$  is a club subset of the regular cardinal  $\mathbb{I}$ . This shows the existence of a  $\kappa \in LS \cap C$ , and hence  $\psi_{\mathbb{I}}(a) < \mathbb{I}$  by the definition (53).  $\square$

**Lemma 7.7** *Let  $\mathbb{S}$  be a shrewd cardinal,  $a < \varepsilon(\mathbb{I})$ ,  $h : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  a finite function with  $\{a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(h) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$ . Then  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_0^a(h) \cap M(Mh_0^a(h))$ .*

**Proof.** By induction on  $\xi < \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  we show  $\mathbb{S} \in Mh_c^a(\xi)$  for  $\{a, c, \xi\} \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$  as in Lemma 6.13.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.8** *Let  $\mathbb{S}$  be a shrewd cardinal,  $a$  an ordinal, and  $f : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  a finite function such that  $\{a\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\mathbb{S})$ . Then  $\psi_{\mathbb{S}}^f(a) < \mathbb{S}$  holds.*

**Corollary 7.9** *Let  $f, g : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  be finite functions and  $c \in \text{supp}(f)$ . Assume that there exists an ordinal  $d < c$  such that  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(f) = (d, c) \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$ ,  $g_d = f_d$ ,  $g(d) < f(d) + \bar{\theta}_{c-d}(f(c); \mathbb{I}) \cdot \omega$ , and  $g <_{\mathbb{I}}^c f(c)$ .*

*Then  $Mh_0^a(g) \prec Mh_0^a(f)$  holds. In particular if  $\pi \in Mh_0^a(f)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(\pi)$ , then  $\psi_{\pi}^g(a) < \pi$ .*

**Proof.** This is seen as in Corollary 6.17.  $\square$

An *irreducibility* of finite functions  $f : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  is defined as in Definition 6.9, and a lexicographic order  $f <_{lx}^b g$  on finite functions  $f, g$  as in Definition 6.10. Then  $f <_{lx}^0 g \Rightarrow Mh_0^a(f) \prec Mh_0^a(g)$  is seen as in Proposition 6.18.

A computable notation system  $OT(\mathbb{I})$  for  $\Pi_1$ -collection is defined so as to be closed under Mostowski collapsings. A new constructor  $\mathbb{I}[\cdot]$  is used to generate terms in  $OT(\mathbb{I})$ . Note that there is no clause for constructing  $\kappa = \psi_{\mathbb{S}}(a)$  from  $a$  for  $\mathbb{S} \in LS$ .

**Definition 7.10** 1.  $\{(\rho, \sigma) : \rho \prec \sigma\}$  denotes the transitive closure of the relation  $\{(\rho, \sigma) : \exists f, a(\rho = \psi_{\sigma}^f(a))\}$ . Let  $\rho \preceq \sigma := \rho \prec \sigma \vee \rho = \sigma$ .

2. Let  $\alpha \prec \mathbb{S}$  for an  $\mathbb{S} \in SSt$  and  $b = p_0(\alpha)$ . Then let

$$M_{\alpha} := \mathcal{H}_b(\alpha).$$

3. For  $\alpha \in \Psi$  an ordinal  $p_0(\alpha)$  is defined.

(a) Let  $\alpha \preceq \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^g(b)$  for an  $\mathbb{S} \in SSt$ . Then  $p_0(\alpha) = b$ .

(b) There exists an  $\mathbb{S} = \mathbb{T}^{\dagger} \in SSt$  and a  $\mathbb{T} < \tau < \mathbb{S}$  such that  $\alpha \prec \tau^{\dagger k}$  for a  $k > 0$ . Let  $\rho \prec \mathbb{S}$  be such that  $\alpha = \beta[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  for a  $\beta \in M_{\rho}$ . Let  $p_0(\alpha) = p_0(\beta)$ .

(c)  $p_0(\alpha) = 0$  otherwise.

$\alpha = \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^f(a) \in OT(\mathbb{I})$  only if

$$SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_a(SC_{\mathbb{I}}(a)) \quad (55)$$

where  $a = \mathbf{p}_0(\alpha)$ .

Let  $\{\pi, a, d\} \subset OT(\mathbb{I})$  with  $\pi \prec \mathbb{S} \in SSt$ ,  $m(\pi) = f$ ,  $d < c \in \text{supp}(f)$ , and  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(f) = \emptyset$ .

When  $g \neq \emptyset$ , let  $g$  be an irreducible finite function such that  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g) \subset OT(\mathbb{I})$ ,  $g_d = f_d$ ,  $(d, c) \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$ ,  $g(d) < f(d) + \tilde{\theta}_{c-d}(f(c); \mathbb{I}) \cdot \omega$ , and  $g <_{\mathbb{I}}^c f(c)$ .

Then  $\alpha = \psi_{\pi}^g(a) \in OT(\mathbb{I})$  only if

$$SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g) \subset M_{\alpha} \quad (56)$$

The Mostowski collapsing  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}]$  ( $\alpha \in M_{\rho}$ ) is defined as follows.  $(\mathbb{S})[\rho/\mathbb{S}] := \rho$ ,  $(\mathbb{S}^{\dagger})[\rho/\mathbb{S}] := \rho^{\dagger}$ , and  $(\mathbb{I})[\rho/\mathbb{S}] := \mathbb{I}[\rho]$ .  $(\tau^{\dagger})[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = (\tau[\rho/\mathbb{S}])^{\dagger}$ , where  $\mathbb{S} < \tau^{\dagger}$ .  $(\mathbb{I}[\tau])[\rho/\mathbb{S}] = \mathbb{I}[\tau[\rho/\mathbb{S}]]$ , where  $\mathbb{I}[\tau] \neq \mathbb{I}$ .

A relation  $\alpha < \beta$  for  $\alpha, \beta \in OT(\mathbb{I})$  is defined so that  $\psi_{\kappa}^f(a) < \kappa$  and  $\rho < \psi_{\rho^{\dagger}}^g(b) < \rho^{\dagger} < \tau = \psi_{\mathbb{I}[\rho]}^h(c) < \psi_{\tau^{\dagger}}^h(d) < \tau^{\dagger} < \mathbb{I}[\rho]$  for every  $\kappa, \rho, a, b, c, d$  and  $f, g, h$ .

**Proposition 7.11** *There is no  $\psi_{\sigma}^f(a) \in OT(\mathbb{I})$  such that  $\rho < \psi_{\sigma}^f(a) \leq \rho^{\dagger} < \sigma$ .*

**Lemma 7.12** *For  $\rho \prec \mathbb{S}$  and  $\mathbb{S} \in SSt$ ,  $\{\alpha[\rho/\mathbb{S}] : \alpha \in M_{\rho}\}$  is a transitive collapse of  $M_{\rho}$  as in Lemma 6.23.*

### 7.3 Operator controlled derivations for $\Pi_1$ -Collection

We consider *RS*-formulas in a language with a unary predicate  $St(a)$ , where  $a = L_{\kappa}$  for a stable ordinal  $\kappa$ . Specifically  $St(a) \simeq \bigvee((\forall x \in \iota(x \in a)) \wedge (\forall x \in a(x \in \iota)))_{\iota \in J}$  with  $J = \{L_{\kappa} : \kappa \in St \cap (|a| + 1)\}$  for  $St \subset OT(\mathbb{I})$ .

**Definition 7.13** A *finite family* is a finite function  $\mathbf{Q} \subset \prod_{\mathbb{S}} \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$  such that its domain  $dom(\mathbf{Q})$  is a finite set of successor stable ordinals, and  $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})$  is a finite set of ordinals in  $\Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$  for each  $\mathbb{S} \in dom(\mathbf{Q})$ . Let  $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{T}) = \emptyset$  for  $\mathbb{T} \notin dom(\mathbf{Q})$  and  $\bigcup \mathbf{Q} = \bigcup_{\mathbb{S} \in dom(\mathbf{Q})} \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})$ . Define  $M_{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})} = \bigcap_{\sigma \in \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})} M_{\sigma}$ .

For  $A \simeq \bigvee(A_{\iota})_{\iota \in J}$  and  $\iota \in J$

$$\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}]_A J = [\mathbf{Q}]_{\neg A} J :\Leftrightarrow \forall \mathbb{U} \in dom(\mathbf{Q}) (\text{rk}(A_{\iota}) \geq \mathbb{U} \Rightarrow \mathbf{k}(\iota) \subset M_{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{U})})$$

We define a derivability relation  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{\downarrow}$  where  $c$  is a bound of ranks of the inference rules (stbl) and of ranks of cut formulas. The relation depends on an ordinal  $\gamma_0$ , and should be written as  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_{c, \gamma_0}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{\downarrow}$ . However the ordinal  $\gamma_0$  will be fixed. So let us omit it.

**Definition 7.14** Let  $\Theta$  a finite set of ordinals,  $a, c$  ordinals, and  $\mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}$  a finite family such that  $\gamma_0 \leq \mathbf{p}_0(\sigma)$  for each  $(\mathbb{S}, \sigma) \in \mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}$ . Let  $\Pi = \bigcup_{\sigma \in \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}} \Pi_{\sigma} \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{I})$  be a set of formulas such that  $\mathbf{k}(\Pi_{\sigma}) \subset M_{\sigma}$  for each  $(\mathbb{S}, \sigma) \in \mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}$ . Let  $\Pi^{[\cdot]} = \bigcup_{\sigma \in \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}} \Pi_{\sigma}^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  and  $\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}(\mathbb{S})} = \Theta \cap M_{\mathbf{Q}_{\Pi}(\mathbb{S})}$ .

$(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$  holds for a set  $\Gamma$  of formulas if  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0$

$$k(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \ \& \ \forall \sigma \in \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \left( k(\Pi_\sigma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\sigma)}] \right) \quad (57)$$

$$\forall \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \left( \{\gamma, a, c, \gamma_0\} \cup k^{\mathbb{S}}(\Gamma, \Pi) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})}] \right)^6 \quad (58)$$

$$\forall \{\mathbb{U} \leq \mathbb{S}\} \subset \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \left( \mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})}] \right) \quad (59)$$

and one of the following cases holds:

- (V) <sup>7</sup> There exist  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  and an  $\iota \in J$  such that  $A \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[1]}$ .
- (V)<sup>[1]</sup> There exist  $\sigma \in \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ ,  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  and an  $\iota \in [\sigma]J$  such that  $A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in \Pi^{[1]}$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma; (A_\iota)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[1]}$ .
- ( $\wedge$ ) There exist  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , ordinals  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $A \in \Gamma$  and for each  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}_\Pi]_A J$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup k(\iota); \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[1]}$ .
- ( $\wedge$ )<sup>[1]</sup> There exist  $\sigma \in \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ ,  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , ordinals  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in \Pi^{[1]}$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup k(\iota); \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$ ,  $(A_\iota)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbf{Q}_\Pi]_A J \cap [\sigma]J$ .
- (cut) There exist an ordinal  $a_0 < a$  and a formula  $C$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, -C; \Pi^{[1]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} C, \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$  with  $\text{rk}(C) < c$ .
- ( $\Sigma(St)$ -rfl) There exist ordinals  $a_\ell, a_r < a$  and a formula  $C \in \Sigma(St)$  such that  $c \geq \mathbb{I}$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_\ell} \Gamma, C; \Pi^{[1]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_r} \neg \exists x C^{(x, \mathbb{I})}, \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$ .
- ( $\Sigma(\Omega)$ -rfl) There exist ordinals  $a_\ell, a_r < a$  and a formula  $C \in \Sigma(\Omega)$  such that  $c \geq \Omega$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_\ell} \Gamma, C; \Pi^{[1]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_r} \neg \exists x < \Omega C^{(x, \Omega)}, \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}$ .
- (stbl( $\mathbb{S}$ )) There exist an ordinal  $a_0 < a$ , a successor stable ordinal  $\mathbb{S}$ , a  $\wedge$ -formula  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$  and a  $u \in Tm(\mathbb{I})$  for which the following hold:

$$\mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})}] \ \& \ \forall \mathbb{U} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \cap \mathbb{S} \left( \mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})}] \right) \quad (60)$$

$\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < c$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[1]}$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[1]}$  holds for every ordinal  $\sigma \in \Psi_{\mathbb{S}}$  such that  $\text{p}_0(\sigma) \geq \gamma_0$  and

$$\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_\sigma \quad (61)$$

where  $\text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) = \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}$ , and  $(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\})(\mathbb{S}) = \mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S}) \cup \{\sigma\}$ .

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[1]} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[1]}\}_\sigma}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}}$$

Assume (60) and (61). Then  $(\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\})(\mathbb{S})} = \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})}$ , and  $(\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\})(\mathbb{U})} = (\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})} \supset \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})}$  for  $\mathbb{U} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \cap \mathbb{S}$ .

<sup>6</sup>(58) means  $\{\gamma, a, c, \gamma_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  when  $\text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) = \emptyset$ .

<sup>7</sup>The condition  $|\iota| < a$  is absent in the inference (V).

**Lemma 7.15** (Tautology) *Let  $\gamma \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\mathbf{k}(A)]$  and  $d = \text{rk}(A)$ .*

1.  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \mathbf{k}(A); \emptyset) \vdash_0^{*2d} \neg A, A; \emptyset$ .
2.  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \mathbf{k}(A) \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}; \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}) \vdash_0^{*2d} \neg A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}; A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$  if  $\mathbf{k}(A) \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_\sigma$  and  $\gamma \geq \mathbb{S}$ .

**Proof.** Each is seen by induction on  $d = \text{rk}(A)$ . For example consider the lemma 7.15.2. We have  $\text{rk}(A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) < \mathbb{S}$  and  $(\mathbf{k}(A) \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}) \cap M_\sigma = \mathbf{k}(A) \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}$  for (58) and (59), and  $\mathbf{k}(A^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \subset \mathcal{H}_\mathbb{S}((\mathbf{k}(A) \cap \mathbb{S}) \cup \{\sigma\})$  for (57).  $\square$

**Lemma 7.16** (Embedding of Axioms) *For each axiom  $A$  in  $S_{\mathbb{I}}$  there is an  $m < \omega$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{I}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{I}+m}^{*\mathbb{I}-2} A; \emptyset$  holds.*

**Proof.** Let us suppress the operator  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{I}}$ . We show first that the axiom (50),  $SSt(\sigma) \wedge \varphi(u) \wedge u \in L_\sigma \rightarrow \varphi^{L_\sigma}(u)$  by an inference  $(\text{stbl}(\mathbb{S}))$  for successor stable ordinals  $\mathbb{S} < \mathbb{I}$ . Let  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$  be a  $\wedge$ -formula, and  $u \in Tm(\mathbb{I})$ .

We may assume that  $\mathbb{I} > d = \text{rk}(B(u)) \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Let  $\mathbf{k}_0 = \mathbf{k}(B(0))$  and  $\mathbf{k}_u = \mathbf{k}(u)$ . Then  $\mathbf{k}(B(0)) \subset \mathcal{H}_0(\mathbf{k}_0)$ . Let  $\sigma \in \Psi_\mathbb{S}$  be an ordinal such that  $\mathbf{k}_0 \cup \mathbf{k}_u \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_\sigma$  and  $\gamma_0 \leq \mathbf{p}_0(\sigma)$ .

$$\frac{\frac{\mathbf{k}_0 \cup \mathbf{k}_u \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}; \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\} \vdash_0^{*2d} B(u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) ; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}}{\mathbf{k}_0 \cup \mathbf{k}_u \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}; \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\} \vdash_0^{*2d+1} \exists x \in L_\mathbb{S} B(x); \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}} \text{ (V)}}{\frac{\mathbf{k}_0 \cup \mathbf{k}_u \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}; \vdash_{\mathbb{I}}^{*\mathbb{I}} \neg B(u), \exists x \in L_\mathbb{S} B(x);}{\mathbf{k}_0 \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}; \vdash_{\mathbb{I}}^{*\mathbb{I}+1} \neg \exists x B(x), \exists x \in L_\mathbb{S} B(x);} \text{ (}\wedge\text{)}} \text{ (stbl}(\mathbb{S}\text{))}$$

Therefore  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{I}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{I}}^{*\mathbb{I}+\omega} \forall \mathbb{S}, v [SSt(\mathbb{S}) \wedge A(v) \wedge v \in L_\mathbb{S} \rightarrow A^{(\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{I})}(v)]; \emptyset$ , where  $SSt(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow (St(\alpha) \wedge \exists \beta < \alpha \forall \gamma < \alpha (St(\gamma) \rightarrow \gamma \leq \beta))$ .

Next we show the axiom (49). Let  $\alpha$  be an ordinal such that  $\alpha < \mathbb{I}$ . We obtain for  $\alpha < \alpha^\dagger < \mathbb{I}$  with  $d_0 = \text{rk}(\alpha < \alpha^\dagger)$  and  $\alpha^\dagger \leq d_1 = \text{rk}(St(\alpha^\dagger)) < d_2 = \omega(\alpha^\dagger + 1)$  with  $\alpha^\dagger \in \mathcal{H}_0\{\alpha\}$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\{\alpha\}; \emptyset \vdash_0^{*d_0} \alpha < \alpha^\dagger; \emptyset \quad \{\alpha\}; \emptyset \vdash_0^{*2d_1} St(\alpha^\dagger); \emptyset}{\{\alpha\}; \emptyset \vdash_0^{*d_2} \alpha < \alpha^\dagger \wedge St(\alpha^\dagger); \emptyset} \text{ (}\wedge\text{)}}{\{\alpha\}; \emptyset \vdash_0^{*d_2+1} \exists \sigma (\alpha < \sigma \wedge St(\sigma)); \emptyset} \text{ (V)}}{\emptyset; \emptyset \vdash_0^{*\mathbb{I}} \forall \alpha \in ON \exists \sigma (\alpha < \sigma \wedge St(\sigma)); \emptyset} \text{ (}\wedge\text{)}$$

$\square$

**Lemma 7.17** (Cut-elimination) *Assume  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{c+1}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  with  $c \geq \mathbb{I}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*\omega^a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .*

**Proof.** Use the fact: if  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  and  $\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_\sigma$ , then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 7.18** (Collapsing) *Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma(St)$  be a set of formulas. Suppose  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma(\psi_{\mathbb{I}}(\gamma))$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{I}}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . Let  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{I}}(\hat{a})$  with  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^a$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_\beta^{*\beta} \Gamma^{(\beta, \mathbb{I})}; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  holds.*

**Proof.** By induction on  $a$ . We have  $\{\gamma, a\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})}]$  by (58), and  $\beta \in \mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})}]$  for  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_\Pi)$

When the last inference is a  $(\text{stbl}(\mathbb{S}))$ , let  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$  be a  $\wedge$ -formula and a term  $u \in \text{Trm}(\mathbb{I})$  such that  $\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < \mathbb{I}$ ,  $\text{k}(B(u)) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{I}}^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  for an ordinal  $a_0 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi}] \cap a$ . Then we obtain  $\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < \beta$ .  $\square$

## 7.4 Operator controlled derivations with caps

Let  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  in the calculus for  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection in subsection 6.5. In Capping 6.44, each formula  $A \in \Gamma$  puts on a cap  $\rho$  such that  $\mathbb{Q}_\Pi \subset \rho$  and (38),  $\Theta \subset M_\rho$ . (38) is needed in **Case 3.1** of the proof. Namely when  $\Gamma \ni A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$  is introduced by a  $(\bigvee)$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_{\mathbb{K}}^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ , we need  $\iota \in [\rho]J$ , i.e.,  $\text{k}(\iota) \subset M_\rho$ , which follows from  $\text{k}(A_\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset M_\rho$  by (34) and  $\Theta \subset M_\rho$ .

We are concerned here with several stable ordinals  $\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{T}, \dots$ . It is convenient for us to regard *uncapped formulas*  $A$  as capped formulas  $A^{(\mathbf{u})}$  with its cap  $\mathbf{u}$ . Let  $M_{\mathbf{u}} = \text{OT}(\mathbb{I})$ .

In Capping 7.29  $\Gamma$  is classified into  $\Gamma = \Gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_\Pi)} \Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$ .  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$  is the set of formulas  $B(u)$  in inferences for the stability of a successor stable ordinal  $\mathbb{S}$ .

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[\cdot]} \quad \{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[\cdot]}\}_\sigma}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}}$$

Each formula  $A \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$  puts on a cap  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}}$  for the stable ordinal  $\mathbb{S}$ . Then (38) runs  $\Theta \subset M_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}$  for every  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_\Pi)$ . This means  $\Theta \subset M_{\partial \mathbb{Q}} := \bigcap_{\kappa \in \partial \mathbb{Q}} M_\kappa$ , where

$$\partial \mathbb{Q} = \{\max(\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})) : \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}), \mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S}) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Ordinals occurring in derivations are restricted to the set  $M_{\partial \mathbb{Q}}$ .

In section 6 for  $\Pi_1^1$ -reflection, an ordinal  $\gamma_0$  is a threshold, which means that every ordinal occurring in derivations is in  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}(0)$  and the subscript  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0$  in  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma$ , while each  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}$  exceeds  $\gamma_0$  in such a way that  $\mathbf{p}_0(\rho) \geq \gamma_0$ . This ensures us that  $\mathcal{H}_\gamma(M_\rho) \subset M_\rho$ . In the end, inferences  $(\text{rfl}(\rho, d, f))$  are removed in Lemma 6.48 by moving outside  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0}(0)$ . Specifically  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_0 + \mathbb{S}}(0)$ .

Now we have several (successor) stable ordinals  $\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{T}, \dots \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q})$ . Inferences  $(\text{stbl}(\mathbb{S}))$  and their children  $(\text{rfl}_{\mathbb{S}}(\rho, d, f))$  are eliminated first for big- $\mathbb{S} > \mathbb{T}$ , and then smaller ones  $(\text{stbl}(\mathbb{T}))$ . Therefore we need assignment  $\text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) \ni \mathbb{S} \mapsto \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$  for thresholds so that  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{Q}} < \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$  if  $\mathbb{S} > \mathbb{T}$ . This is done by gapping, i.e., a gap  $\mathbb{I} \cdot 2^a$  between  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $\gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$  in advance, when  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  is embedded to  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, c, \gamma_0}^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}$ , cf. Capping 7.29.

**Definition 7.19** A triple  $(\mathbb{Q}, \gamma^{\mathbb{Q}}, e^{\mathbb{Q}})$  is said to be a *finite family for ordinals*  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1$  if  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a finite family in the sense of Definition 7.13 and the following conditions are met:



1.  $\gamma^{\mathbf{Q}}$  is a map  $dom(\mathbf{Q}) \ni \mathbb{S} \mapsto \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}$  such that  $\gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}^2 > \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \geq \gamma_0$ ,  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \geq \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}$  for  $\{\mathbb{S} < \mathbb{T}\} \subset dom(\mathbf{Q})$  and  $\mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}}$  for  $\mathbb{S} \in dom(\mathbf{Q})$ .

$\mathbf{Q}$  is said to have *gaps*  $\eta$  if  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \geq \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I} \cdot \eta$  holds for  $\{\mathbb{S} < \mathbb{T}\} \subset dom(\mathbf{Q})$ , and  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \geq \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I} \cdot \eta$  for  $\mathbb{S} \in dom(\mathbf{Q})$ .

2. For each  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})$ ,  $m(\rho) : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  is special,  $s(\rho) \leq b_1$ ,  $\rho \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}}(0)$ , and  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \leq p_0(\rho)$ .
3.  $e^{\mathbf{Q}}$  assigns an ordinal  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}} \cap (\mathbb{S} + 1)$  to each  $\mathbb{S} \in dom(\mathbf{Q})$  such that

$$\max(\{0\} \cup \{\rho \in \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S}) : s(\rho) > \mathbb{S}\}) < e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \quad (62)$$

Let  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbb{S}$  when  $\mathbb{S} \notin dom(\mathbf{Q})$ .

**Definition 7.20** For a finite family  $\mathbf{Q}$ , and for  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$

$$[\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J = [\mathbf{Q}]_{\neg A^{(\rho)}} J = [\mathbf{Q}]_A J \cap [\partial \mathbf{Q}] J \cap [\rho] J$$

where  $[\mathbf{u}] J = J$  and

$$[\partial \mathbf{Q}] J = \bigcap_{\kappa \in \partial \mathbf{Q}} [\kappa] J.$$

**Definition 7.21** 1. For a finite family  $\mathbf{Q}$ , let  $\partial \mathbf{Q} = \{\max(\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})) : \mathbb{S} \in dom(\mathbf{Q}), \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S}) \neq \emptyset\}$  and  $M_{\partial \mathbf{Q}} = \bigcap_{\kappa \in \partial \mathbf{Q}} M_{\kappa}$ .

2.

$$[\mathbf{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J = [\mathbf{Q}]_{\neg A^{(\rho)}} J = [\mathbf{Q}]_A J \cap [\partial \mathbf{Q}] J \cap [\rho] J$$

where  $[\mathbf{u}] J = J$  and  $[\partial \mathbf{Q}] J = \bigcap_{\kappa \in \partial \mathbf{Q}} [\kappa] J$ .

**Definition 7.22**  $H_{\rho}^{\mathbf{Q}}(f, b_1, \gamma, \Theta)$  denotes the *resolvent class* for  $\mathbf{Q}$ ,  $\rho$ , special functions  $f$ , ordinals  $b_1, \gamma$ , and finite sets  $\Theta$  of ordinals defined as follows:  $\sigma \in H_{\rho}^{\mathbf{Q}}(f, \gamma, \Theta)$  iff  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma + \mathbb{I}}(0) \cap \rho \cap M_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(m(\sigma)) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta]$ ,  $\Theta \subset M_{\sigma}$ ,  $\gamma \leq p_0(\sigma) \leq p_0(\rho)$  and  $m(\sigma)$  is special such that  $s(f) \leq s(m(\sigma)) \leq b_1$ ,  $f' \leq (m(\sigma))'$ , where  $\sigma, \rho \prec \mathbb{S}$  and  $f \leq g \Leftrightarrow \forall i(f(i) \leq g(i))$ .

We define another derivability relation  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Gamma$ , where  $c$  is a bound of ranks of cut formulas, and  $\xi$  a bound of ordinals  $\mathbb{S}$  in the inference rules ( $\text{rf}_{\mathbb{S}}(\rho, d, f, b_1)$ ).

**Definition 7.23** Let  $\Theta^{(\rho)} = \Theta \cap M_{\rho}$  and  $\Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}} = \Theta \cap M_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}$ . Let  $a, b, c, \xi < \mathbb{I}$ , a finite set  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{I}$ , and  $\mathbf{Q}$  be a finite family for  $\gamma_0, b_1$  such that  $dom(\mathbf{Q}) \subset (\xi + 1)$ .

$(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Gamma$  holds for a sequent  $\Gamma = \bigcup \{\Gamma_{\rho}^{(\rho)} : \rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbf{Q}\}$  if  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0$

$$\forall \rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbf{Q} \left( k(\Gamma_{\rho}) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta^{(\rho)}] \cap \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}] \right) \quad (63)$$

$$\forall \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) (\{\gamma, a, c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}])^8 \quad (64)$$

$$\forall \{\mathbb{U} \leq \mathbb{S}\} \subset \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) (\{\mathbb{S}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{Q}}\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{U})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}]) \quad (65)$$

$$\forall \rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q} \forall \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) (\mathbf{k}^{\mathbb{S}}(\Gamma_\rho) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}]) \quad (66)$$

$$\forall (\mathbb{S}, \rho) \in \mathbb{Q} \left( SC_{\mathbb{I}}(m(\rho)) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{Q}}} \left[ \Theta^{(\rho)} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}} \right] \right) \quad (67)$$

and one of the following cases holds:

(Taut)  $\{\neg A^{(\rho)}, A^{(\rho)}\} \subset \Gamma$  for a  $\rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q}$  and a formula  $A$  such that  $\text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S} \leq \xi$  for some successor stable ordinal  $\mathbb{S}$ .

If  $\text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S}$ , then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{0, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^0 \neg A^{(\sigma)}, A^{(\sigma)}$  by (Taut) provided that (64) and (66) are met.

( $\vee$ ) There exist  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , a cap  $\rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q}$ , an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  and an  $\iota \in [\rho]J \cap [\partial\mathbb{Q}]J$  such that  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a(\iota)} \Gamma, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ .

( $\wedge$ ) There exist  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , a cap  $\rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q}$ , ordinals  $a(\iota) < a$  for each  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}}J$  such that  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a(\iota)} \Gamma, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ .

(cut) There exist a cap  $\rho \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q}$ , ordinals  $a_0 < a$  and a formula  $C$  such that  $\text{rk}(C) < c$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C^{(\rho)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} C^{(\rho)}, \Gamma$ .

( $\Sigma(\Omega)$ -rfl) There exist ordinals  $a_\ell, a_r < a$  and an uncapped formula  $C \in \Sigma(\Omega)$  such that  $c \geq \Omega$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_\ell} \Gamma, C$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_r} \neg \exists x < \pi C^{(x, \Omega)}, \Gamma$ .

( $\text{rfl}_{\mathbb{S}}(\rho, d, f, b_1)$ ) There exist a successor stable ordinal  $\mathbb{S} \leq \xi$  and an ordinal  $\rho < \mathbb{S}$  such that

$$\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}} \subset M_\rho \quad (68)$$

and  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})$  if  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q})$ . Let  $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{Q}$  if  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q})$ . Otherwise  $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{Q} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \rho)\}$ , where  $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \rho)\}$  is a finite family for  $\gamma_0$  extending  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\text{dom}(\mathbb{R}) = \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{S}) = \mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S}) \cup \{\rho\}$ ,  $e_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{R}} = e_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$  for  $\mathbb{S} \neq \mathbb{T} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q})$ ,  $\gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}} \geq \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{R}} + \mathbb{I}$  for every  $\mathbb{S} > \mathbb{T} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q})$  and  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{R}} \geq \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}$ .

Also there exist an ordinal  $d \in \text{supp}(m(\rho))$ , a special function  $f$ , an ordinal  $a_0 < a$ , and a finite set  $\Delta$  of uncapped formulas enjoying the following conditions.

(r0)  $\rho < e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{R}}$  if  $s(\rho) = \max(\text{supp}(m(\rho))) > \mathbb{S}$ .

(r1)  $\Delta \subset \bigvee_{\mathbb{S}}(d) := \{\delta : \text{rk}(\delta) < d, \delta \text{ is a } \bigvee\text{-formula}\} \cup \{\delta : \text{rk}(\delta) < \mathbb{S}\}$ .

<sup>8</sup>(64) means  $\{\gamma, a, c, \xi, \gamma_0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  when  $\text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) = \emptyset$ .

- (r2) For  $g = m(\rho)$ ,  $s(f) \leq b_1$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$  and  $f_d = g_d \& f^d <_{\mathbb{I}}^d g'(d)$ .
- (r3) For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{R}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg \delta^{(\rho)}$ .
- (r4) Let  $\gamma^{\mathbb{R} \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}} = \gamma^{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $e^{\mathbb{R} \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}} = e^{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\sigma \in H_{\rho}^{\mathbb{R}}(f, b_1, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{R}}, \Theta^{(\rho)} \cup \Theta_{\partial \mathbb{Q}})$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbb{R} \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}) \vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0}^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\sigma)}$  holds. In particular  $\sigma < e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbb{R}}$  if  $s(\sigma) > \mathbb{S}$  by (62).

Note that  $\bigcup \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta]$  need not to hold. Moreover  $(\Theta \cup \{\sigma\})_{(\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{S}) \cup \{\sigma\})} = \Theta_{\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{S})} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})}$  and  $\Theta_{\partial \mathbb{R}} = \Theta_{\partial \mathbb{Q}}$  by  $\Theta^{(\rho)} \subset M_{\sigma}$  and (68).

In this subsection the ordinals  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1$  will be fixed, and we write  $\vdash_{c, \xi}^a$  for  $\vdash_{c, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^a$ .

**Lemma 7.24** (Tautology) *Let  $\{\gamma, \gamma_0, \mathbb{S}\} \cup \mathbf{k}^{\mathbb{T}}(A) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{T})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta_{\partial \mathbb{Q}}]$  for every  $\mathbb{T} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}) \subset (\mathbb{S}+1)$ ,  $\sigma \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{k}(A) \subset M_{\sigma}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{0, \mathbb{S}}^{2d} \neg A^{(\sigma)}, A^{(\sigma)}$  holds for  $d = \max\{\mathbb{S}, \text{rk}(A)\}$ .*

**Lemma 7.25** (Inversion) *Let  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_{\iota})_{\iota \in J}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi}^a \Gamma$  with  $A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma$  and there is no  $\mathbb{S} \in SSt$  such that  $\text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S} \leq \xi$ . Then for any  $\iota \in [\mathbb{Q}]_{A^{(\rho)}} J$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}, \Theta \cup \mathbf{k}(\iota), \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi}^a \Gamma, (A_{\iota})^{(\rho)}$ .*

**Proof.** We need to assume that there is no  $\mathbb{S} \in SSt$  such that  $\text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S} \leq \xi$  due to (Taut).  $\square$

**Lemma 7.26** (Reduction) *Let  $C \simeq \bigvee (C_{\iota})_{\iota \in J}$  and  $\Omega \leq \text{rk}(C) \leq c$ . Assume  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi}^a \Gamma, \neg C^{(\tau)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi}^b C^{(\tau)}, \Gamma$  with  $SSt \cap (c, \xi] = \emptyset$ .*

*Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi}^{a+b} \Gamma$ .*

**Lemma 7.27** (Cut-elimination) *If  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c+c_1, \xi}^a \Gamma$  with  $\Omega \leq c < \mathbb{I}$ ,  $\forall \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q})(c \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta_{\partial \mathbb{Q}}])$  and  $SSt \cap (c, \xi] = \emptyset$ , then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c, \xi}^{\varphi_{c_1}(\Omega)} \Gamma$ .*

**Lemma 7.28** (Collapsing) *Let  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma(\Omega)$  be a sets of uncapped formulas. Suppose  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(\psi_{\Omega}(\gamma))$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \emptyset) \vdash_{\Omega, 0}^a \Gamma$ . Let  $\beta = \psi_{\Omega}(\hat{a})$  with  $\hat{a} = \gamma + \omega^a < \gamma_0$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}, \Theta, \emptyset) \vdash_{\beta, 0}^{\beta} \Gamma^{(\beta, \Omega)}$  holds.*

## 7.5 Eliminations of stable ordinals

**Lemma 7.29** (Capping) *Let  $\Gamma \cup \Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{I})$  be a set of uncapped formulas. Suppose  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \vdash_{c, \gamma_0}^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ , where  $a, c < \mathbb{I}$ ,  $\text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}) \subset c$ ,  $\Gamma = \Gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi})} \Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$ ,  $\Pi^{[\cdot]} = \bigcup_{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma) \in \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}} \Pi_{\sigma}^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ .*

*For each  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi})$ , let  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} = \psi_{\mathbb{S}}^{g_{\mathbb{S}}}(\delta_{\mathbb{S}})$  be an ordinal with an ordinal  $\delta_{\mathbb{S}} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta]$  and a special finite function  $g_{\mathbb{S}} = m(\rho_{\mathbb{S}}) : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbb{I}}(0)$  such that  $\text{supp}(g_{\mathbb{S}}) = \{c\}$  with  $g_{\mathbb{S}}(c) = \alpha_{\mathbb{S}} + \mathbb{I}$ ,  $\mathbb{I}(2a+1) \leq \alpha_{\mathbb{S}} + \mathbb{I}$ ,  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g_{\mathbb{S}}) = SC_{\mathbb{I}}(c, \alpha_{\mathbb{S}}) \subset \mathcal{H}_0(SC_{\mathbb{I}}(\delta_{\mathbb{S}})) \cap \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}[\Theta]$ , cf. (55) and (67). Also let  $\hat{\Pi} = \bigcup_{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma) \in \mathbb{Q}_{\Pi}} \Pi_{\sigma}^{(\sigma)}$ ,  $\hat{\Gamma} = \Gamma_{\mathbf{u}}^{(\mathbf{u})} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}_{\Pi})} \Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{(\rho_{\mathbb{S}})}$ .*

Let  $\mathbf{Q}$  be a finite family for  $\gamma_0 \geq \gamma$  such that  $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S}) = \mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S}) \cup \{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}\}$  for  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) = \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q})$ ,  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}}(0)$  for  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q})$ , and  $\alpha_{\mathbb{S}} + \mathbb{I} \leq \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \leq \delta_{\mathbb{S}} < \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}$ . Also  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} = \rho_{\mathbb{S}} + 1$ .

Assume  $\forall \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi)(\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta])$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S}) \subset \rho_{\mathbb{S}}$ ,  $\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_0(\sigma) \leq \mathbf{p}_0(\rho_{\mathbb{S}}) = \delta_{\mathbb{S}}$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(m(\sigma)) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}}[\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\}]$  for each  $(\mathbb{S}, \sigma) \in \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ ,  $\forall \{\mathbb{U} < \mathbb{S}\} \subset \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi)(\rho_{\mathbb{S}} \in M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}})$ , and  $\mathbf{Q}$  has gaps  $2^a$ .

Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{c,c,\gamma_0,c}^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}$  holds for  $\Theta_\Pi = \Theta \cup \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ .

**Remark 7.30** When  $\alpha_{\mathbb{S}} = \mathbb{I}(2a)$  and  $\Theta = \emptyset$ ,  $\delta_{\mathbb{S}} < \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}$  denotes the natural sum  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \# a \# c$ . Then  $\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}$  and  $\{a, c\} \subset \mathcal{H}_0(SC_{\mathbb{I}}(\delta_{\mathbb{S}}))$ . Hence (55) is enjoyed for  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}}$ . Namely  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g_{\mathbb{S}}) = \{c, \alpha_{\mathbb{S}} + \mathbb{I}\} \subset \mathcal{H}_0(SC_{\mathbb{I}}(\delta_{\mathbb{S}})) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\delta_{\mathbb{S}}}(SC_{\mathbb{I}}(\delta_{\mathbb{S}}))$  holds.

Let  $\mathbb{U} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \cap \mathbb{S}$ . We have  $\{\gamma_0, \mathbb{S}, a, c\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})}]$  by (58). We intend to be  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} = \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I} \cdot 2^a \cdot n$  for  $n = \#\{\mathbb{T} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}) : \mathbb{T} \geq \mathbb{S}\}$ . Then  $\{\mathbb{S}, a, c, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}]$  for (64) and (65).

On the other hand we have  $\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S}) \subset \rho_{\mathbb{S}}$ , and  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} = \max(\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S}))$ , i.e.,  $\partial \mathbf{Q} = \{\rho_{\mathbb{S}} : \mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi)\}$ . Also  $\{\mathbb{S}, \delta_{\mathbb{S}}\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(g_{\mathbb{S}}) \subset \mathcal{H}_0(\{\mathbb{S}, a, c, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}\} \cup \Theta) \subset M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}} = \mathcal{H}_{\delta_{\mathbb{U}}}(\rho_{\mathbb{U}})$  for  $\mathbb{U} \leq \mathbb{S}$ . Therefore  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} \in M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}}$  for  $\mathbb{U} < \mathbb{S}$  by  $\delta_{\mathbb{S}}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I} \leq \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}^{\mathbf{Q}}$ . Moreover  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} \in M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}}$  for  $\mathbb{U} > \mathbb{S}$  since  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} < \mathbb{S} < \rho_{\mathbb{U}}$ .

**Proof** of Lemma 7.29. This is seen by induction on  $a$  as in Capping 6.44. Let us write  $\vdash_c^a$  for  $\vdash_{c,c,\gamma_0,c}^a$  in the proof. By assumptions we have  $\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S}) \subset \rho_{\mathbb{S}}$  and  $\Theta \subset M_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}$ . Hence  $\Theta = \Theta^{(\rho_{\mathbb{S}})} = \Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}$  and  $\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})} = \Theta_{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})}$ . On the other hand we have  $\mathbf{k}(\Gamma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  and for  $\sigma \in \bigcup \mathbf{Q}_\Pi$ ,  $\mathbf{k}(\Pi_\sigma) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\sigma)}]$  by (57). Therefore (63) and (66) are enjoyed. We have  $\{\gamma, a, c, \gamma_0, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbb{S}\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{U})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}]$  for every  $\{\mathbb{U} \leq \mathbb{S}\} \subset \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}) = \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_\Pi)$  by the assumption, (58) and (59). Hence (64) and (65) are enjoyed. Moreover for (67) we have  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(m(\rho_{\mathbb{S}})) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$  and  $\gamma \leq \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}$ .

**Case 1.** First consider the case when the last inference is a (stbl( $\mathbb{S}$ )): We have a successor stable ordinal  $\mathbb{S}$ , an ordinal  $a_0 < a$ , a  $\wedge$ -formula  $B(0) \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ , and a term  $u \in Tm(\mathbb{I})$  with  $\mathbb{S} \leq \text{rk}(B(u)) < c$ .

For every ordinal  $\sigma$  such that  $\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_\sigma$  and  $\mathbf{p}_0(\sigma) \geq \gamma_0$

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, B(u); \Pi^{[1]} \quad (\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma; \neg B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}, \Pi^{[1]}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbf{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a} \Gamma; \Pi^{[1]}}$$

Let  $h$  be a special finite function such that  $\text{supp}(h) = \{c\}$  and  $h(c) = \mathbb{I}(2a_0 + 1)$ . Then  $h_c = (g_{\mathbb{S}})_c = \emptyset$  and  $h^c <_{\mathbb{I}}^c (g_{\mathbb{S}})'(c)$  by  $h(c) = \mathbb{I}(2a_0 + 1) < \mathbb{I}(2a) \leq \alpha_0 = (g_{\mathbb{S}})'(c)$ . Let  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{Q} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \rho_{\mathbb{S}})\}$  and  $\sigma \in H_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}^{\mathbf{R}}(h, c, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}}, \Theta^{(\rho_{\mathbb{S}})} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}})$ , where  $\Theta^{(\rho_{\mathbb{S}})} \cup \Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}} = \Theta$ .

For example let  $\sigma = \psi_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}^h(\delta_{\mathbb{S}} + \eta)$  with  $\eta = \max(\{1\} \cup E_{\mathbb{S}}(\Theta))$ . We obtain  $\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset \mathcal{H}_{\delta_{\mathbb{S}}}(\sigma) = M_\sigma$  by  $\Theta \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \subset M_\rho$ , and  $\{\delta_{\mathbb{S}}, a_0, c\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta]$ . Let  $\rho_{\mathbb{U}} \in \partial \mathbf{R}$ . We claim that  $\sigma \in M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}}$ . If  $\mathbb{U} \geq \mathbb{S}$ , then  $\sigma < \rho_{\mathbb{U}}$ . Let  $\mathbb{U} < \mathbb{S}$ . Then we have  $\rho_{\mathbb{S}} \in M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}}$  by the assumption, and  $\sigma \in M_{\rho_{\mathbb{U}}}$  follows from  $\{c, a_0, \delta_{\mathbb{S}}\} \cup \Theta \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta] \subset \mathcal{H}_{\delta_{\mathbb{U}}}(\rho_{\mathbb{U}})$  and  $\delta_{\mathbb{S}} + \eta < \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I} \leq \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \leq \delta_{\mathbb{U}}$ . Therefore  $\sigma \in H_{\rho_{\mathbb{S}}}^{\mathbf{R}}(h, c, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}}, \Theta^{(\rho_{\mathbb{S}})} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}})$ .

Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is assumed to have gaps  $2^a$ , we may assume that  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}$  as well as  $\mathbb{R}$  has gaps  $2^{a_0}$ .

IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{R}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, B(u)^{(\rho_S)}, \widehat{\Pi}$ , and for  $u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]} \in Tm(\mathbb{S})$  and  $B(u^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}) \equiv B(u)^{[\sigma/\mathbb{S}]}$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}, \mathbb{R} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, \neg B(u)^{(\sigma)}, \widehat{\Pi}$  follows, where  $\rho_S > \sigma \in M_{\rho_S}$  and we have by (59),  $k(B(u)) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{T})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}]$  if  $\text{rk}(B(u)) \geq \mathbb{T}$ . Hence  $k(B(u)) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{T})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}]$  by  $\Theta_{\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{T})} = \Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{T})}$  for (59). Moreover we have  $\mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{T})}]$  for every  $\mathbb{T} < c$ ,  $\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}_\Pi(\mathbb{S})} \cup \Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}} \subset M_{\rho_S}$  for (68),  $\rho_S < e_S^{\mathbb{Q}}$  for (r0),  $\text{rk}(B(u)) < c$  and  $s(\rho_S) \leq c$  for (r1).

We obtain by an inference ( $\text{rfl}_S(\rho_S, c, h, c)$ )

$$\frac{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{R}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, B(u)^{(\rho_S)}, \widehat{\Pi} \quad (\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi \cup \{\mathbb{S}, \sigma\}, \mathbb{R} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_c^{a_0} \widehat{\Gamma}, \neg B(u)^{(\sigma)}, \widehat{\Pi}}{(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta_\Pi, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}}$$

in the right upper sequents  $\sigma$  ranges over the resolvent class  $\sigma \in H_{\rho_S}^{\mathbb{R}}(h, c, \gamma_S^{\mathbb{R}}, \Theta^{(\rho_S)} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}})$ .

**Case 2.** When the last inference is a (*cut*): There exist  $a_0 < a$  and  $C$  such that  $\text{rk}(C) < c$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, \neg C; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a_0} \Gamma, C; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . IH followed by a (*cut*) with an uncapped cut formula  $C^{(u)}$  yields the lemma.

**Case 3.** Third the last inference introduces a  $\bigvee$ -formula  $A$  in  $\Gamma$ . Let  $A \simeq \bigvee (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ . Then  $A^{(\rho_S)} \in \Gamma_S^{(\rho_S)}$ . There are an  $\iota \in J$ , an ordinal  $a(\iota) < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta; \mathbb{Q}_\Pi) \vdash_c^{*a(\iota)} \Gamma, A_\iota; \Pi^{[\cdot]}$ . We can assume  $k(\iota) \subset k(A_\iota)$ , and claim that  $\iota \in [\partial\mathbb{Q}]J$  with  $\rho_S \in \partial\mathbb{Q}$ . We obtain  $k(\iota) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}] \subset M_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}$  by (57) for  $\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}} = \Theta$  and  $\gamma \leq \gamma_0 \leq \gamma_S^{\mathbb{Q}} \leq \delta_S \leq \mathfrak{p}_0(\rho_S)$ .

IH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^{a(\iota)} \widehat{\Gamma}, (A_\iota)^{(\rho_S)}, \widehat{\Pi}$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_c^a \widehat{\Gamma}, \widehat{\Pi}$  follows from a ( $\bigvee$ ).

Other cases are seen from IH as in Capping 6.44.  $\square$

### Lemma 7.31 (Recapping)

Let  $\mathbb{S}$  be a successor stable ordinal,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}) \vdash_{c_1, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_2}^a \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}$  with a finite family  $\mathbb{Q}$  for  $\gamma_0, b_2$ ,  $\Gamma \cup \Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{I})$ , and  $\widehat{\Gamma} = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)} : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})\}$ , where each  $\theta \in \widehat{\Gamma}$  is either a  $\bigvee$ -formula or  $\text{rk}(\theta) < \mathbb{S}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}^t \subset \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S}) \subset \mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S})$  with  $\text{dom}(\mathbb{Q}^t) \subset \{\mathbb{S}\}$  and  $\forall \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})(s(\rho) > \mathbb{S})$ , and  $\mathbb{Q}^f$  is a family such that  $\mathbb{Q}^f(\mathbb{S}) = \mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{S}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^f(\mathbb{T}) = \mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{T})$  for  $\mathbb{T} \neq \mathbb{S}$ .  $\Pi$  is a set of formulas such that  $\tau \in \{\mathbb{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbb{Q}^f$  for every  $A^{(\tau)} \in \Pi$ .

Let  $\max\{s(\rho) : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})\} \leq b_1$  and  $\omega(b, a) = \omega^b a$ . For each  $\rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})$ , let  $\mathbb{S} \leq b^{(\rho)} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}]$  with  $\text{rk}(\Gamma_\rho) < b^{(\rho)} < s(\rho)$ , and  $\kappa(\rho)$  be ordinals such that  $\kappa(\rho) \in H_\rho^{\mathbb{Q}}(h^{b^{(\rho)}}(m(\rho); \omega(b_1, a)), b_2, \gamma_S^{\mathbb{Q}}, \Theta^{(\rho)} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}})$ . Assume  $\forall \mathbb{T} \leq \mathbb{S}(b_1 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{T})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial\mathbb{Q}}])$ .

Then  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}^\kappa) \vdash_{c_{b_1}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_2}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa$  holds, where  $\widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\kappa(\rho))} : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})\}$ ,  $c_{b_1} = \max\{c_1, b_1\}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}^\kappa = \mathbb{Q}^f \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \kappa(\rho)) : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})\}$ ,  $\gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}^\kappa} = \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$ ,  $e_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}^\kappa} = e_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{Q}}$  for  $\mathbb{T} \neq \mathbb{S}$  and  $e_S^{\mathbb{Q}^\kappa} = \max(\{\tau \in \mathbb{Q}^f(\mathbb{S}) : s(\tau) > \mathbb{S}\} \cup \{\kappa(\rho) : \rho \in \mathbb{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})\}) + 1$ .

$e_S^{\mathbb{Q}^\kappa} < e_S^{\mathbb{Q}}$  holds when  $\mathbb{Q}^t = \{(\mathbb{S}, \rho) \in \mathbb{Q} : s(\rho) > \mathbb{S}\} \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** This is shown by main induction on  $b_1$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$  as in Recapping 6.47.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.32** (Elimination of one stable ordinal)

Let  $\mathbb{S} = \mathbb{T}^\dagger$  be a successor stable ordinal and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}$  with a finite family  $\mathbf{Q}$  for  $\gamma_0$  and  $b_1 \geq \mathbb{S}$ ,  $\Pi \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{I})$ ,  $\Gamma \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ ,  $\widehat{\Gamma} = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\rho)} : \rho \in \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})\}$ , and  $\mathbf{Q}^t = \{(\mathbb{S}, \tau) \in \mathbf{Q} : s(\tau) > \mathbb{S}\}$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}^f = \mathbf{Q} \setminus \mathbf{Q}^t$ .  $\Pi$  is a set of formulas such that for each  $A^{(\tau)} \in \Pi$ ,  $\tau \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbb{U} < \mathbb{S}} \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{U})$ .

Let  $\tilde{a} = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^a}(a)$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}_1 = \mathbf{Q} \upharpoonright \mathbb{S} = \{(\mathbb{T}, \rho) \in \mathbf{Q} : \mathbb{T} < \mathbb{S}\}$  and  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I} < \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}^2$ .

Then  $\mathbf{Q}_1$  is a finite family for  $\gamma_1, b_1$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$  holds for  $\Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})} = \bigcup \{\Gamma_\rho^{(\mathbf{u})} : \rho \in \mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S})\}$ .

**Proof.** This is seen by main induction on  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$  as in Lemma 6.48. When  $\mathbb{S} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q})$ , we have  $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbb{S}) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}$  and  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}$  for  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}$  by Definition 7.19.  $\mathbf{Q}_1$  is a finite family for  $\gamma_1, b_1$ . Then  $\gamma_1 \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\mathbf{Q}_1(\mathbb{T})}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}}]$  for every  $\mathbb{T} \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q}_1)$  by (64).

First assume  $\mathbf{Q}^t(\mathbb{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . For each  $\rho \in \mathbf{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})$ , let  $\kappa(\rho)$  be an ordinal such that  $\kappa(\rho) \in H_\rho^{\mathbf{Q}}(h^{\mathbb{S}}(m(\rho); \omega(b_1, a)), b_1, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}, \Theta^{(\rho)} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}})$  with  $\omega(b, a) = \omega^{\omega^b} a$ . We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}^\kappa) \vdash_{b_1, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa$  by Recapping 7.31. Cut-elimination 7.27 with  $SSt \cap (\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}] = \emptyset$  yields for  $a_1 = \varphi_{b_1}(\omega(b_1, a))$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}^\kappa) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_1} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}_\kappa$ , where  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}^\kappa} = \max\{\kappa(\rho) : \rho \in \mathbf{Q}^t(\mathbb{S})\} + 1 < e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}$ . MIH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_1} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$ , where  $\tilde{a}_1 = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}^\kappa}}(a_1) < \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}}(a)$  and  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}} + \mathbb{I}$ .

In what follows assume  $\mathbf{Q}^t(\mathbb{S}) = \emptyset$ .

**Case 1.** First let  $\{\neg A^{(\sigma)}, A^{(\sigma)}\} \subset \Pi \cup \widehat{\Gamma}$  with  $\sigma \in \{\mathbf{u}\} \cup \bigcup \mathbf{Q}$  and  $d = \text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{S}$  by (Taut). If  $d < \mathbb{T}$ , then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$  by (Taut).

Let  $\mathbb{T} \leq d < \mathbb{S}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{0, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{2d} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$  by Tautology 7.24 and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{0, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$  by  $\tilde{a} > \mathbb{S} > d$ .

**Case 2.** Second consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfI}_{\mathbb{U}}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$ . If  $\mathbb{U} \leq \mathbb{T}$ , then SIH followed by a  $(\text{rfI}_{\mathbb{U}}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  yields the lemma. Let  $\mathbb{U} = \mathbb{S}$ .

Let  $g = m(\rho)$  and  $s(\rho) \geq d \in \text{supp}(g)$ . Let  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{Q} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \rho)\}$  and  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbb{I}$ . We have a sequent  $\Delta \subset \bigvee_{\mathbb{S}}(d)$  and an ordinal  $a_0 < a$  such that  $\text{rk}(\Delta) < d \leq s(\rho)$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{R}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}, \neg \delta^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ . On the other hand we have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{R} \cup \{(\mathbb{S}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}, \Delta^{(\sigma)}$ , where  $\sigma \in H_\rho^{\mathbf{Q}}(f, b_1, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}}, \Theta^{(\rho)} \cup \{\mathbb{S}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial \mathbf{Q}})$ ,  $f$  is a special finite function such that  $s(f) \leq b_1$ ,  $f^d = g^d$ ,  $f^d <^d g'(d)$  and  $SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) \subset \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}}}[\Theta^{(\rho)}]$ .

**Case 2.1.**  $s(\rho) \leq \mathbb{S}$ : Then  $\Delta \subset \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ . Let  $\tilde{a}_0 = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^a}(a_0)$ . SIH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_0} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}, \neg \delta^{(\mathbf{u})}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta \cup \{\sigma\}, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_0} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}, \Delta^{(\mathbf{u})}$  for  $\sigma \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbb{I}} = \mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}$ . We obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_0 + p} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$  by several  $(\text{cut})$ 's for a  $p < \omega$ . Cut-elimination 7.27 with  $SSt \cap (\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}] = \emptyset$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\varphi_{\mathbb{S}}(\tilde{a}_0 + p)} \Pi, \Gamma^{(\mathbf{u})}$ , where  $\varphi_{\mathbb{S}}(\tilde{a}_0 + p) < \tilde{a} = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^a}(a)$  by  $b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^a > \mathbb{S}$ .

**Case 2.2.**  $s(\rho) > \mathbb{S}$ : Then  $\mathbb{S} \notin \text{dom}(\mathbf{Q})$  and  $\Gamma = \emptyset$ . We have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{R}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Pi$ . Let  $\mathbf{R}^t = \{(\mathbb{S}, \rho)\}$ . Recapping 7.31 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbf{R}^\kappa) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{\omega(b_1, a)} \Pi$  and  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}^\kappa} = \kappa + 1 < \rho < e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}}$ . MIH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, \mathbf{Q}_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{a_1} \Pi$  with  $a_1 = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}^\kappa}}(\omega(b_1, a)) < \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^a}(a) = \tilde{a}$  by  $e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{R}^\kappa} < \mathbb{S} = e_{\mathbb{S}}^{\mathbf{Q}}$ .

**Case 3.** The last inference is a  $(\wedge)$ : We have  $a(\iota) < a$ ,  $A^{(\rho)} \in \widehat{\Gamma}$  and for each  $\iota \in [Q]_{A^{(\rho)}} J$  with  $A \simeq \bigwedge (A_\iota)_{\iota \in J}$ , we have  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta \cup k(\iota), Q) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a(\iota)} \Pi, \widehat{\Gamma}, (A_\iota)^{(\rho)}$ . Since  $A \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{S})$ , we obtain  $k(A) \subset \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta^{(\rho)}] \cap \mathbb{S} \subset M_\rho \cap \mathbb{S} = \rho$  for  $\rho \in Q(\mathbb{S})$ . This means  $A \in \Delta_0(\rho)$ , and  $[\rho]J = J$ . Hence  $[Q]_{A^{(\rho)}} J = [Q_1]_{A^{(u)}} J$ . SIH yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta \cup k(\iota), Q_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}(\iota)} \Pi, \Gamma^{(u)}, (A_\iota)^{(u)}$  for each  $\iota \in [Q]_{A^{(u)}} J$ , where  $\tilde{a}(\iota) = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{S}}^a}(b + a(\iota)) < \tilde{a}$ . A  $(\wedge)$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_1}, \Theta, Q_1) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_1, b_1}^{\tilde{a}} \Pi, \Gamma^{(u)}$ .

Other cases are seen from SIH.  $\square$

**Definition 7.33** We define the  $S$ -rank  $\text{srk}(A^{(\rho)})$  of a capped formula  $A^{(\rho)}$  as follows. Let  $\text{srk}(A^{(u)}) = 0$ , and  $\text{srk}(A^{(\rho)}) = \mathbb{S}$  for  $\rho \prec \mathbb{S} \in SSt$ .

$$\text{srk}(\Gamma) = \max\{\text{srk}(A^{(\rho)}) : A^{(\rho)} \in \Gamma\}.$$

**Lemma 7.34** (Elimination of stable ordinals)

Suppose  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, Q) \vdash_{\xi, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Gamma$  and  $\text{srk}(\Gamma) \leq \mathbb{S} < \xi \leq b_1 < \mathbb{I}$ , where  $\mathbb{S}$  is either a stable ordinal or  $\mathbb{S} = \Omega$  such that  $\forall U \in \text{dom}(Q_{\mathbb{S}})(\mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{Q(U)}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial Q}])$  for  $Q_{\mathbb{S}} = Q \upharpoonright \mathbb{S}$ .

Then there exists an ordinal  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma_{\mathbb{S}} < \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}^2$  such that  $Q_{\mathbb{S}}$  is a finite family for  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}, b_1$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{S}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}, b_1}^{f(\xi, a)} \Gamma$  holds for  $f(\xi, a) = \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a)$ .

**Proof.** By main induction on  $\xi$  with subsidiary induction on  $a$ . (64) in

$$(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{S}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}, b_1}^{f(\xi, a)} \Gamma \text{ follows from (64) and (65) in } (\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, Q) \vdash_{\xi, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^a \Gamma.$$

**Case 1.** Consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{rfI}_{\mathbb{T}}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  for a  $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{U}^\dagger \leq \xi$ . If  $\mathbb{T} \leq \mathbb{S}$ , then SIH yields the lemma. Let  $\mathbb{S} < \mathbb{T} \in \text{dom}(\mathbb{R})$  for  $\mathbb{R} = Q \cup \{(\mathbb{T}, \rho)\}$ . We have  $\forall U \in \text{dom}(Q_{\mathbb{T}})(\mathbb{T} \in \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{Q(U)}] \cap \mathcal{H}_\gamma[\Theta_{\partial Q}])$  by (64). Let  $\Delta$  be a finite set of sentences such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{R}) \vdash_{\xi, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg \delta^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, \mathbb{R} \cup \{(\mathbb{T}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_{\xi, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\sigma)}$  for each  $\sigma \in H_\rho^0(f, b_1 \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}^{\mathbb{R}}, \Theta^{(\rho)} \cup \{\mathbb{T}\} \cup \Theta_{\partial Q})$ , and  $a_0 < a$ . We have  $\text{srk}(\delta^{(\rho)}) = \text{srk}(\Delta^{(\sigma)}) = \mathbb{T}$ . By SIH there exists a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{T}} < \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}^2$  such that for  $a_1 = f(\xi, a_0) = \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a_0)$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{T}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{T}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}, b_1}^{a_1} \Gamma, \neg \delta^{(\rho)}$  for each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{T}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{T}} \cup \{(\mathbb{T}, \sigma)\}) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}, b_1}^{a_1} \Gamma, \Delta^{(\sigma)}$ .  $(\text{rfI}_{\mathbb{T}}(\rho, d, f, b_1))$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{T}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{T}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}, \gamma_{\mathbb{T}}, b_1}^{a_2} \Gamma$  for  $a_2 = a_1 + 1$ .

On the other hand we have  $\text{srk}(\Gamma) \leq \mathbb{S} < \mathbb{T} = \mathbb{U}^\dagger \leq \xi$ . By Lemma 7.32 pick a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{U}} < \gamma_{\mathbb{T}} + \mathbb{I}^2 = \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}^2$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{U}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{U}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{U}, \mathbb{U}, \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}, b_1}^{a_3} \Gamma$ , where  $a_3 = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{T}}^{a_1}}(a_2) = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{T}}^{a_1}}(f(\xi, a_0) + 1) < \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a) = f(\xi, a)$  by  $e_{\mathbb{T}}^{a_1} \leq \mathbb{T} \leq \xi$ . If  $\mathbb{S} = \mathbb{U}$ , then we are done. Let  $\mathbb{S} < \mathbb{U}$  with  $\mathbb{U} < \xi$ . Then by MIH pick a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{S}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}, b_1}^{a_4} \Gamma$  for  $a_4 = f(\mathbb{U}, a_3) = \varphi_{b_1 + \mathbb{U} + 1}(a_3) < \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a) = f(\xi, a)$  by  $\mathbb{U} < \xi$ .

**Case 2.** Next consider the case when the last inference is a  $(\text{cut})$  of a cut formula  $C^{(\sigma)}$  with  $\text{rk}(C) < \xi$  and  $\mathbb{T} = \text{srk}(C^{(\sigma)}) \leq \xi$ . We have an ordinal  $a_0 < a$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, Q) \vdash_{\xi, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} \Gamma, \neg C^{(\sigma)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_\gamma, \Theta, Q) \vdash_{\xi, \xi, \gamma_0, b_1}^{a_0} C^{(\sigma)}, \Gamma$ .

Let  $\mathbb{U} = \max\{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{T}\}$ . First assume  $\mathbb{U} < \xi$ . By SIH pick a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{U}}$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{U}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{U}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{U}, \mathbb{U}, \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}, b_1}^{a_1} \Gamma, \neg C^{(\sigma)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{U}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{U}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{U}, \mathbb{U}, \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}, b_1}^{a_1} C^{(\sigma)}, \Gamma$ , where  $a_1 = f(\xi, a_0) = \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a_0)$ . A  $(\text{cut})$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{U}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{U}}) \vdash_{\xi, \mathbb{U}, \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}, b_1}^{a_1 + 1} \Gamma$ . Cut-elimination 7.27 with  $SSt \cap (\mathbb{U}, \mathbb{U}) = \emptyset$  yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{U}}}, \Theta, Q_{\mathbb{U}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{U}, \mathbb{U}, \gamma_{\mathbb{U}}, b_1}^{a_2} \Gamma$ , where  $a_2 = \varphi_\xi(a_1 + 1) < \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a) = f(\xi, a)$  by  $\xi < b_1 + \xi + 1$ . If  $\mathbb{U} = \mathbb{S}$ , then we are done. Let

$\mathbb{U} = \mathbb{T} > \mathbb{S}$ . By MIH with  $\mathbb{U} < \xi$  we obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{S}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}, b_1}^{a_3} \Gamma$  for a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$ , where  $a_3 = f(\mathbb{U}, a_2) = \varphi_{b_1 + \mathbb{U} + 1}(a_2) < \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a) = f(\xi, a)$  by  $\mathbb{U} < \xi$ .

Second let  $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{U} = \xi = \mathbb{W}^\dagger > \mathbb{S}$ . Then  $C \in \Delta_0(\mathbb{T})$ . By Lemma 7.32 pick a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{W}}$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{W}}}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{W}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{W}, \mathbb{W}, \gamma_{\mathbb{W}}, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_0} \Gamma, \neg C^{(u)}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{W}}}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{W}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{W}, \mathbb{W}, \gamma_{\mathbb{W}}, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_0} C^{(u)}, \Gamma$ , where  $\tilde{a}_0 = \varphi_{b_1 + e_{\mathbb{T}}^0}(a_0)$ . A (cut) yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{W}}}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{W}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{W}, \gamma_{\mathbb{W}}, b_1}^{\tilde{a}_0 + 1} \Gamma$ , and we obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{W}}}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{W}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{W}, \mathbb{W}, \gamma_{\mathbb{W}}, b_1}^{a_4} \Gamma$  by Cut-elimination 7.27, where  $a_4 = \varphi_{\mathbb{T}}(\tilde{a}_0 + 1)$  and  $SSt \cap (\mathbb{W}, \mathbb{W}) = \emptyset$ . By MIH pick a  $\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}$  such that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\mathbb{S}}}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{S}}) \vdash_{\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_{\mathbb{S}}, b_1}^{a_5} \Gamma$  for  $\mathbb{W} < \xi$  and  $a_5 = f(\mathbb{W}, a_4) = \varphi_{b_1 + \mathbb{W} + 1}(a_4) < \varphi_{b_1 + \xi + 1}(a)$  by  $\mathbb{W} < \xi$ ,  $\mathbb{T} = \xi < b_1 + \xi + 1$ ,  $e_{\mathbb{T}}^0 \leq \mathbb{T} = \xi < \xi + 1$  and  $a_0 < a$ .

**Case 3.** There exists an  $A$  such that  $\{\neg A^{(\rho)}, A^{(\rho)}\} \subset \Gamma$  with  $\text{srk}(A^{(\rho)}) \leq \mathbb{S}$  and  $d = \text{rk}(A) < \mathbb{T} \leq \xi$  for a  $\mathbb{T} \in SSt$  by (Taut). We may assume  $d \geq \mathbb{S}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}, \Theta, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{S}}) \vdash_{0, \mathbb{S}, \gamma_0, b_1}^{2d} \Gamma$  by Tautology 7.24 and the lemma follows from  $d < \xi < f(\xi, a)$ .

Other cases are seen from SIH.  $\square$

**Theorem 7.35** *Suppose  $KP\omega + \Pi_1$ -Collection +  $(V = L) \vdash \theta^{L\Omega}$  for a  $\Sigma_1$ -sentence  $\theta$ . Then  $L_{\psi_{\Omega}(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{I}+1})} \models \theta$  holds.*

**Proof.** Let  $S_{\mathbb{I}} \vdash \theta^{L\Omega}$  for a  $\Sigma$ -sentence  $\theta$ . By Embedding 7.16 pick an  $m > 0$  so that  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{I}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{I}+m}^{*\mathbb{I} \cdot 2 + m} \theta^{L\Omega}$ . Cut-elimination 7.17 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{I}}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\mathbb{I}}^{*a} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $a = \omega_m(\mathbb{I} \cdot 2 + m) < \omega_{m+1}(\mathbb{I} + 1)$ . Then Collapsing 7.18 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}, \emptyset; \emptyset) \vdash_{\beta}^{*\beta} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for  $\beta = \psi_{\mathbb{I}}(\hat{a}) \in LS$  with  $\hat{a} = \omega^{\mathbb{I}+a} = \omega_{m+1}(\mathbb{I} \cdot 2 + m) > \beta$ . Capping 7.29 then yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\hat{a}+1}, \emptyset, \emptyset) \vdash_{\beta, \beta, \gamma_0, \beta}^{\beta} \theta^{L\Omega}$  where  $\gamma_0 = \hat{a} + 1$  and  $\theta^{L\Omega} \equiv (\theta^{L\Omega})^{(u)}$ .

Let  $\alpha = \varphi_{\beta \cdot 2 + 1}(\beta)$ . By Lemma 7.34 we obtain  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\Omega}}, \emptyset, \emptyset) \vdash_{\Omega, \Omega, \gamma_{\Omega}, \beta}^{\alpha} \theta^{L\Omega}$  for a  $\gamma_{\Omega} < \gamma_0 + \mathbb{I}^2$ . This means  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\Omega}}, \emptyset, \emptyset) \vdash_{\Omega, 0, \gamma_{\Omega}, \beta}^{\alpha} \theta^{L\Omega}$ .  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\Omega} + \alpha + 1}, \emptyset, \emptyset) \vdash_{\delta, 0, \gamma_{\Omega}, \beta}^{\delta} \theta^{L\delta}$  follows from Collapsing 7.28 for  $\delta = \psi_{\Omega}(\gamma_{\Omega} + \alpha)$  with  $\omega^{\alpha} = \alpha$ . Cut-elimination 7.27 yields  $(\mathcal{H}_{\gamma_{\Omega} + \alpha + 1}, \emptyset, \emptyset) \vdash_{0, 0, \gamma_{\Omega}, \beta}^{\varphi_{\delta}(\delta)} \theta^{L\delta}$ . We see that  $\theta^{L\delta}$  is true by induction up to  $\varphi_{\delta}(\delta)$ , where  $\delta < \psi_{\Omega}(\omega_{m+2}(\mathbb{I} + 1)) < \psi_{\Omega}(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{I}+1})$ .

## 7.6 Well-foundedness proof in $\Sigma_3^1$ -DC+BI

**Theorem 7.36**  $[A \infty c]$   
 $\Sigma_3^1$ -DC+BI  $\vdash Wo[\alpha]$  for each  $\alpha < \psi_{\Omega}(\varepsilon_{\mathbb{I}+1})$ .

To prove Theorem 7.36, let us introduce 1-distinguished sets  $D_1[X]$ , which is obtained from Definition 3.5.1 of distinguished sets  $D[X]$ , first by replacing the next regular  $\alpha^+$  by the next stable  $\alpha^\dagger$ , and second by changing the well-founded part  $W(C^\alpha(X))$  to the maximal distinguished set  $\mathcal{W}_1^\alpha(X) = \bigcup \{P : D_0^\alpha[P; X]\}$  relative to  $\alpha$  and  $X$ , where  $P \cap \alpha = X \cap \alpha$  if  $D_0^\alpha[P; X]$  and  $\alpha$  is stable. We see that  $\mathcal{W} = \bigcup \{X : D_1[X]\}$  is the maximal 1-distinguished and  $\Sigma_3^1$ -class.

In this subsection let us sketch a part of a well-foundedness proof in  $\Sigma_3^1$ -DC+BI by pinpointing the lemma for which we need  $\Sigma_3^1$ -DC.

An ordinal term  $\sigma$  in  $OT(\mathbb{I})$  is said to be *regular* if  $\psi_\sigma^f(a)$  is in  $OT(\mathbb{I})$  for some  $f$  and  $a$ . *Reg* denotes the set of regular terms. In this section we need the next



regular ordinal above an ordinal  $\alpha$  in defining distinguished sets. Although it is customarily denoted by  $\alpha^+$ , it is hard to discriminate  $\alpha^+$  from the next stable ordinal  $\alpha^\dagger$ . Therefore let us write for  $\alpha < \mathbb{I}$ ,  $\alpha^{+1} = \min\{\sigma \in SSt : \sigma > \alpha\}$  for the next stable ordinal  $\alpha^\dagger$ , and  $\alpha^{+0} = \min\{\sigma \in Reg : \sigma > \alpha\}$  for the next regular ordinal  $\alpha^+$ . Let  $\alpha^{+1} := \alpha^{+0} := \infty$  if  $\alpha \geq \mathbb{I}$ . Let  $\alpha^{-1} := \max\{\sigma \in St_{\mathbb{I}} \cup \{0\} : \sigma \leq \alpha\}$  when  $\alpha < \mathbb{I}$ , and  $\alpha^{-1} := \mathbb{I}$  if  $\alpha \geq \mathbb{I}$ . Since  $SSt \subset Reg$ , we obtain  $\alpha^{+0} \leq \alpha^{+1}$  and  $\beta^{+0} < \sigma$  if  $\beta < \sigma \in St$  since each  $\sigma \in St$  is a limit of regular ordinals.

**Definition 7.37**  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(X)$  is the closure of  $\{0, \Omega, \mathbb{I}\} \cup (X \cap \alpha)$  under  $+$ ,  $\varphi$ ,  $\{\sigma, \beta\} \cup SC_{\mathbb{I}}(f) \mapsto \psi_\sigma^f(\beta)$  for  $\sigma > \alpha$ , and  $\rho \mapsto \mathbb{I}[\rho], \rho^\dagger$  for  $\mathbb{I}[\rho], \rho^\dagger \geq \alpha$  in  $OT(\mathbb{I})$ .

**Definition 7.38** For  $P, X \subset OT(\mathbb{I})$  and  $\gamma \in OT(\mathbb{I}) \cap \mathbb{I}$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} W_0^\alpha(P) &:= W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(P)) \\ D_0^\gamma[P; X] &:\Leftrightarrow P \cap \gamma^{-1} = X \cap \gamma^{-1} \ \& \ Wo[X \cap \gamma^{-1}] \ \& \\ &\quad \forall \alpha \left( \gamma^{-1} \leq \alpha \leq P \rightarrow W_0^\alpha(P) \cap \alpha^{+0} = P \cap \alpha^{+0} \right) \\ \mathcal{W}_1^\gamma(X) &:= \bigcup \{P \subset OT(\mathbb{I}) : D_0^\gamma[P; X]\} \\ D_1[X] &:\Leftrightarrow Wo[X] \ \& \ \forall \gamma \left( \gamma \leq X \rightarrow \mathcal{W}_1^\gamma(X) \cap \gamma^{+1} = X \cap \gamma^{+1} \right) \\ \mathcal{W}_2 &:= \bigcup \{X \subset OT(\mathbb{I}) : D_1[X]\} \end{aligned} \quad (69)$$

$$(70)$$

A set  $P$  is said to be a 0-distinguished set for  $\gamma$  and  $X$  if  $D_0^\gamma[P; X]$ , and a set  $X$  is a 1-distinguished set if  $D_1[X]$ .

Observe that in  $\Sigma_2^1$ -AC,  $W_0^\alpha(P)$  is  $\Pi_1^1$ ,  $D_0^\gamma[P; X]$  is  $\Delta_2^1$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_1^\gamma(X)$  is  $\Sigma_2^1$ , and  $D_1[X]$  is  $\Delta_3^1$ . Hence  $\mathcal{W}_2$  is a  $\Sigma_3^1$ -class.

Let  $\alpha \in P$  for a 0-distinguished set  $P$  for  $\gamma < \mathbb{I}$  and  $X$ . If  $\alpha < \gamma^{-1}$ , then  $\alpha \in X$  with  $Wo[X]$ . Otherwise  $W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(P)) \cap \alpha^{+0} = W_0^\alpha(P) \cap \alpha^{+0} = P \cap \alpha^{+0}$  with  $\alpha < \alpha^{+0}$ . Hence  $P$  is a well order.

**Lemma 7.39** ( $\Sigma_2^1$ -CA)

Suppose  $Wo[X \cap \gamma^{-1}]$ . Then  $\mathcal{W}_1^\gamma(X)$  is the maximal 0-distinguished set for  $\gamma$  and  $X$ , i.e.,  $D_0^\gamma[\mathcal{W}_1^\gamma(X); X]$  and  $\exists Y (Y = \mathcal{W}_1^\gamma(X))$ .

**Proof.** This is seen as in Proposition 3.9. □

**Lemma 7.40** 1. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be 1-distinguished sets.

$$\text{Then } \gamma \leq X \ \& \ \gamma \leq Y \Rightarrow X \cap \gamma^{+1} = Y \cap \gamma^{+1}.$$

2.  $\mathcal{W}_2$  is the 1-maximal distinguished class, i.e.,  $D_1[\mathcal{W}_2]$ .

3. For a family  $\{Y_j\}_{j \in J}$  of 1-distinguished sets, the union  $Y = \bigcup_{j \in J} Y_j$  is also a 1-distinguished set.

**Lemma 7.41** 1.  $\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2) \cap \mathbb{I} = \mathcal{W}_2 \cap \mathbb{I} = W(\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2)) \cap \mathbb{I}$ .

2. (BI) For each  $n < \omega$ ,  $TI[\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2) \cap \omega_n(\mathbb{I} + 1)]$ , i.e., for each class  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\text{Prg}[\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2), \mathcal{X}] \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2) \cap \omega_n(\mathbb{I} + 1) \subset \mathcal{X}$ .
3. For each  $n < \omega$ ,  $\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2) \cap \omega_n(\mathbb{I} + 1) \subset W(\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2))$ . In particular  $\{\mathbb{I}, \omega_n(\mathbb{I} + 1)\} \subset W(\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{W}_2))$ .

As in Definition 3.10,  $\mathcal{G}^X := \{\alpha \in OT(\mathbb{I}) : \alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \& \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \cap \alpha \subset X\}$ .

**Lemma 7.42** ( $\Sigma_2^1$ -CA)

Suppose  $D_1[Y]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^Y$ . Let  $X = \mathcal{W}_1^\alpha(Y) \cap \alpha^{+1}$ . Assume that one of the following conditions (71) and (72) is fulfilled. Then  $\alpha \in X$  and  $D_1[X]$ . In particular  $\alpha \in \mathcal{W}_2$  holds. Moreover if  $\alpha^{-1} \leq Y$ , then  $\alpha \in Y$  holds.

$$\forall \beta \left( Y \cap \alpha^{+1} < \beta \& \beta^{+0} < \alpha^{+0} \rightarrow W_0^\beta(Y) \cap \beta^{+0} \subset Y \right) \quad (71)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \beta \geq \alpha^{-1} \left( Y \cap \alpha^{+1} < \beta \& \beta^{+0} < \alpha^{+0} \rightarrow W_0^\beta(Y) \cap \beta^{+0} \subset Y \right) \\ \& \forall \beta < \alpha^{-1} \exists \gamma (\beta < \gamma^{+1} \& \gamma^{-1} \leq Y) \end{aligned} \quad (72)$$

**Proof.** This is seen as in Lemma 3.15 by showing that  $D_0^\alpha[P; Y]$ ,  $\alpha \in X$  and  $D_1[X]$  for  $P = W_0^\alpha(Y) \cap \alpha^{+0} = W(\mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)) \cap \alpha^{+0}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 7.43** Assume  $D_1[Y]$ ,  $\mathbb{I} > \mathbb{S} \in Y \cap (St \cup \{0\})$  and  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset Y$ . Then  $\mathbb{S}^{+1} = \mathbb{S}^\dagger \in \mathcal{W}_2$ .

**Proof.** Since the condition (72) in Lemma 3.15 is fulfilled with  $(\mathbb{S}^{+1})^{-0} = (\mathbb{S}^{+1})^{-1} = \mathbb{S}^{+1}$  and  $\mathbb{S}^{-1} = \mathbb{S}$ , it suffices to show that  $\mathbb{S}^{+1} \in \mathcal{G}^Y$ . Let  $\alpha = \mathbb{S}^{+1}$ .  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y)$  follows from  $\mathbb{S} \in Y \cap \alpha$ . Moreover  $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Y) \cap \alpha \Rightarrow \gamma \in Y$  is seen by induction on  $\ell\gamma$  using the assumption  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset Y$ . Therefore  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^Y$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 7.44** ( $\Sigma_3^1$ -DC)

If  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^{\mathcal{W}_2}$ , then there exists a 1-distinguished set  $Z$  such that  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset Z$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^Z$  and  $\forall \mathbb{S} \in Z \cap (St \cup \{\Omega\})[\mathbb{S}^\dagger \in Z]$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^{\mathcal{W}_2}$ . We have  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}_2)$ . Pick a 1-distinguished set  $X_0$  such that  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X_0)$ . We can assume  $\{0, \Omega\} \subset X_0$ . On the other hand we have  $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{W}_2) \cap \alpha \subset \mathcal{W}_2$  and  $\forall \mathbb{S} \in \mathcal{W}_2 \cap (St_{\mathbb{I}} \cup \{\Omega\})[\mathbb{S}^\dagger \in \mathcal{W}_2]$  by Lemma 7.43. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall n \forall X \exists Y \{D_1[X] \rightarrow D_1[Y] \\ \wedge & \forall \beta \in OT(\mathbb{I}) (\ell\beta \leq n \wedge \beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(X) \cap \alpha \rightarrow \beta \in Y) \\ \wedge & \forall \mathbb{S} \in (St \cup \{\Omega\}) (\ell\mathbb{S} \leq n \wedge \mathbb{S} \in X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^\dagger \in Y) \} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $D_1[X]$  is  $\Delta_3^1, \Sigma_3^1$ -DC yields a set  $Z$  such that  $Z_0 = X_0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall n \{ D_1[Z_n] \rightarrow D_1[Z_{n+1}] \\ \wedge & \forall \beta \in OT(\mathbb{I}) (\ell\beta \leq n \wedge \beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Z_n) \cap \alpha \rightarrow \beta \in Z_{n+1}) \\ \wedge & \forall \mathbb{S} \in (St \cup \{\Omega\}) (\ell\mathbb{S} \leq n \wedge \mathbb{S} \in Z_n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^\dagger \in Z_{n+1}) \} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $Z = \bigcup_n Z_n$ . We see by induction on  $n$  that  $D_1[Z_n]$  for every  $n$ . Lemma 7.40.3 yields  $D_1[Z]$ . Let  $\beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Z) \cap \alpha$ . Pick an  $n$  such that  $\beta \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(Z_n)$  and  $\ell\beta \leq n$ . We obtain  $\beta \in Z_{n+1} \subset Z$ . Therefore  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}^Z$ . Furthermore let  $\mathbb{S} \in Z \cap (St \cup \{\Omega\})$ . Pick an  $n$  such that  $\mathbb{S} \in Z_n$  and  $\ell\mathbb{S} \leq n$ . We obtain  $\mathbb{S}^\dagger \in Z_{n+1} \subset Z$ .  $\square$

**Remark 7.45** Lemma 7.44 is a  $\Sigma_4^1$ -statement, which is proved in  $\Sigma_3^1$ -DC. Alternatively we could prove the lemma in  $\Sigma_3^1$ -AC if we assign fundamental sequences to limit ordinals as in [Jäger83].

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