

A complexity analysis of functional interpretations¹

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Abstract

We give a quantitative analysis of Gödel's functional interpretation and its monotone variant. The two have been used for the extraction of programs and numerical bounds as well as for conservation results. They apply both to (semi-)intuitionistic as well as (combined with negative translation) classical proofs. The proofs may be formalized in systems ranging from weak base systems to arithmetic and analysis (and numerous fragments of these). We give upper bounds in basic proof data on the depth, size, maximal type degree and maximal type arity of the extracted terms as well as on the depth of the verifying proof. In all cases terms of size linear in the size of the proof at input can be extracted and the corresponding extraction algorithms have cubic worst-time complexity. The verifying proofs have depth linear in the depth of the proof at input and the maximal size of a formula of this proof.

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1 Introduction

This paper investigates the complexity of the extraction algorithms for effective data (such as programs and bounds) from proofs provided by Gödel's functional (*Dialectica*) interpretation and its monotone variant. The subject of extracting programs from proofs already has a long history. The techniques used can be roughly divided in two categories according to whether they are based on cut-elimination, normalization and related methods or on so-called proof interpretations. The latter typically make use of functionals of higher

type. Prominent proof interpretations are realizability interpretations, particularly Kreisel’s [38] modified realizability (see [54] for a survey) and Gödel’s functional interpretation (first published in [22], see [3] for a survey). The no-counterexample interpretation (*n.c.i.*) due to Kreisel [36,37] is sometimes viewed as a simplification of the functional interpretation (it uses only types of degree ≤ 2). In fact *n.c.i.* is not a real alternative since it has a bad behavior with respect to the modus ponens rule **MP**. This is overcome only if **MP** is interpreted by functional interpretation (see [33]).

Cut-elimination, normalization and the related ε -substitution method globally rebuild the given proof thereby increasing its length in a potentially non-elementary recursive way. Hyper-exponential lower-bound examples were provided by Statman [52], Orevkov [41,42] and Pudlak [44] – see also [56] and the more recent [16–18]. In contrast, proof interpretations extract witnessing terms by recursion on the given proof tree which remains essentially unchanged in its structure. The latter techniques consequently enjoy full modularity: the global realizers of a proof can be computed from realizers of lemmas used in the proof. This suggests a radically lower complexity of the procedure and a radically smaller size of the extracted programs. Even though the latter would not be in normal form⁴ they can be used substantially in many ways without having to normalize them. One merely exploits properties which can be established inductively over their structure with the use of logical relations (like, e.g., Howard’s [27] notion of majorizability).

Both (modified) realizability and functional interpretations are applicable to a vast variety of formal systems and provide characterizations of their provably total programs. They had originally been applied to arithmetic in all finite types. They were subsequently adapted to various fragments thereof all the way down to weak systems of bounded arithmetic [8,32,43] or – more recently – the poly-time arithmetic of [47,48]. They were extended to analysis [13,39,51], type theories [20] and fragments of set theory [6]. Gödel’s functional interpretation was recently adapted to yield an extraction of Herbrand terms from ordinary first-order predicate logic proofs [19].

Realizability and functional interpretations cannot be directly applied to classical systems. A canonical manner of interpreting classical proofs would be to first translate them to intuitionistic proofs via a so-called negative translation and to subsequently apply intuitionistic proof interpretations. However this fails for (modified) realizability since it extracts empty programs from negative formulas. The problem can be partly overcome by using an additional intermediate interpretation, the so-called Friedman-Dragalin *A*-translation [11,15] and its variants [9]⁵. Unlike realizability interpretations, functional inter-

⁴ Normalization would bring back the aforementioned complexities.

⁵ See, e.g., [5,40] for examples of program extractions using this approach. One drawback of this method is the limited modularity feature: only a restricted class of lemmas can be used to build the input proof. In contrast, the techniques based

pretations are sound for the so-called Markov principle and therefore feature extraction of programs from arbitrary proofs in fairly rich classical systems, like Peano arithmetic in all finite types PA^ω (see also Section 5). Hence the need for an intermediate translation is avoided when using functional interpretations. Moreover, monotone functional interpretation can extract programs from proofs $\mathcal{T} \vdash \forall x^\rho \exists y^\tau \text{Rec}(x, y)$ in highly unconstructive systems \mathcal{T} which contain, e.g., the binary König lemma. Here τ is an arbitrary finite type, ρ is a finite type of degree (aka level) at most 1 and $\text{Rec}(x, y)$ is a specification which must⁶ be decidable if \mathcal{T} is classical (we actually take it quantifier-free). This gives functional interpretations the ability of extracting programs and other effective data (such as numerical bounds) under certain conditions from ineffective proofs (*proof mining*). Proof mining based on the monotone functional interpretation has already produced important results in computational analysis and has helped to obtain new results in mathematical analysis (see [35]).

A natural question that arises is whether such applications which were obtained *by hand* could be automated or at least computer aided by implementing functional interpretations. In order to evaluate the feasibility of such a tool it is important to investigate the complexity aspects of functional interpretations. In the present paper we obtain upper bounds on the size of the terms which express the extracted programs. The interpretation algorithms only write down the extracted terms, proceeding by recursion on the structure of the input proof, see Section 3. It follows that their running time is proportional with the size of the extracted terms. Hence we obtain the time complexity of the extraction algorithms as a consequence of our quantitative analysis. Let n denote the size of the input proof \mathcal{P} and m denote the maximal size of a formula of \mathcal{P} . Due to the modularity of functional interpretations, these algorithms feature an almost linear time complexity, namely $O(m^2 \cdot n)$ even for classical and analytical proofs. The *almost* refers to the fact that m is much smaller than n in most practical cases. In any case this time complexity is at most $O(n^3)$, a result previously obtained by Alexi in [1] for an ad-hoc program-extraction technique for intuitionistic proofs only. Since the design of Alexi's technique was driven by the optimal-time-overhead issue, *cubic* is probably the best worst-time-complexity one can expect from any program-extraction technique. We also give upper bounds on depths of the resulting verifying proofs – this is interesting for quantitative conservation results. In particular we obtain the feasibility of WKL-elimination for Π_2^0 -sentences over primitive recursive arithmetic⁷ in all finite types by means of syntactic translations.

on the Dialectica interpretation feature full modularity: the input proofs may use arbitrary lemmas. See also [24] for applications of a form of recursive realizability.

⁶ This restriction is generally unavoidable for classical proofs but is not necessary for intuitionistic proofs.

⁷ This had been shown for a second-order fragment independently in [23] and [2], in the latter by means of a formalized forcing technique.

Our technique is immediately implementable and in addition provides a term extraction procedure from analytical proofs. A program-extraction module based on Gödel’s functional interpretation was implemented by the first author in the proof-system `MINLOG` [49]. An experimental comparison between the performance of this and the existent refined A-translation [5] extraction module is reported in [25]. The newer module performs better in that case.

There exists a research line in extractive proof theory which is aimed at characterizing the classes of proofs from which programs belonging to certain complexity classes are extracted. Usually the *feasible* complexity classes are of interest, particularly poly-time, see e.g. [8,47]. The issue of characterizing the complexity of provably total function(al)s of a theory is completely separate from the present paper’s topic. We are here concerned more with the performance of the extraction algorithm rather than with the one of the extracted programs.

The monotone variant of Gödel’s functional interpretation was developed by the second author in [31]. It takes into account that most applications of functional interpretation in recent years both to concrete proofs in numerical analysis and to conservation results do not actually use terms which realize the Gödel functional interpretation but terms which majorize⁸ (some) realizers. Monotone functional interpretation extracts majorizing terms which are simpler than the actual realizers produced by functional interpretation. This is due to the much simpler treatment of $\text{CT}\wedge$, see Proposition 3.22 and the paragraph following Definition 4.16. Also the treatment of induction axioms is much simpler, see Section 5. Moreover, the upper bound on the depth of the verifying proof is better in the monotone case if the underlying logical system fairly supports monotone functional interpretation, see Remark 4.19.

1.1 Outline of the main results

We introduce the weak base system EIL^ω , a short for “(weakly extensional) extended intuitionistic equality logic in all finite types”. EIL^ω contains only the tools which are strictly necessary for carrying out the functional interpretation even for the most rudimentary intuitionistic systems. We present upper bounds for the following quantitative measures of realizing/majorizing terms t extracted from proofs \mathcal{P} in both semi-intuitionistic⁹ and classical systems based on EIL^ω up to the analytical system $\text{PA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{WKL}$:

- the maximal degree (arity) of a subterm of t , denoted $\text{mdg}(\text{mar})$;
- the depth of t , denoted d (assuming a tree representation of terms);

⁸ Majorization is understood in the sense of Howard [27] mentioned before.

⁹ Here *semi-intuitionistic* means intuitionistic plus a version of Markov’s principle MK and independence of premises for universal premises IP_\forall , see Section 3.1 for details.

- the size of t , denoted S and defined as the number of all constants and variables used to build t .

We also give upper bounds on the depth¹⁰ of the verifying proof and time overhead of the extraction algorithm, here denoted ∂_v and θ respectively. For the extraction procedure we consider both the usual [22] and the monotone variant [31] of functional interpretation. We first consider a binary-tree representation for terms, see also Footnote 35. Such a representation is more intuitive and therefore provides a better exposition of the bounds for mdg , mar . However it turns out that the same extracted terms have smaller size if represented in a more economic manner using pointers¹¹, see Section 3.4. Since their definition does not depend on the term representation, the bounds for mdg and mar still hold. From Section 3.4 on it is tacitly assumed that terms are represented in the economic manner. A representation for types becomes necessary only at the moment that we are interested in the space/time overhead of the extraction algorithm, see Section 3.5. Let us denote by ∂ the depth and by S_i , S_c , S_m the size (in the sense of Definition 3.33) of \mathcal{P} and for a formula A by

- vdg (*var*) the maximal degree (arity) of a variable occurring in A ;
- id (fd , ld) the implication (forall, logical) depth of A , namely the maximal number of \rightarrow (\forall , all logical constants) on a path from root to leaves in the usual tree representation of A ; by $fid \equiv \max\{fd, id\}$;
- qs the number of all quantifiers (including¹² \forall) of the universal closure of A ;
- ls the number of all $\forall, \exists, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \perp, =$ and free variables of A .

We prove that (relative to our underlying deductive framework EIL^ω)

- mdg and mar do not depend on ∂ ; the difference between mdg (mar) and the maximal degree (arity) of a variable occurring in an axiom of \mathcal{P} is linear (quadratic) in the maximal complexity of an axiom of \mathcal{P} ;
- d is linear in the maximal logical size ls of an axiom of \mathcal{P} and ∂ ;
- S is linear in the size of \mathcal{P} (here we use the economic representation of terms); also exponential in ∂ and in the logarithm of the maximal logical size ls of an axiom of \mathcal{P} (in contrast to the former, this holds for both the economic and the binary-tree representation of terms);
- ∂_v is linear in ∂ and the maximal complexity of an axiom of \mathcal{P} .

More precisely, for **semi-intuitionistic** proofs \mathcal{P} we have the following situation (below “FI” means “functional interpretation”):

¹⁰ Proofs are represented as trees, see also the last paragraph of Section 1.2.

¹¹ It would be possible to extract other terms which have the same smaller size also in the case of binary-tree representation for terms, but the bounds for mdg , mar would no longer hold in such a case – see also the remarks following Theorem 3.37.

¹² We must count \vee among the quantifiers because functional interpretation treats disjunction as an existential quantifier.

	usual FI	monotone FI
mdg	$O(1) + vdg_o + id_o$	$O(1) + vdg_o + id_o$
mar	$O(1) + var_o + qs_o \cdot id_o$	$O(1) + var_o + qs_o \cdot id_o$
d	$O(ld_1) + qs_o \cdot \partial$	$O(1) + qs_o \cdot \partial$
S	$O(S_i), O(ls_1 \cdot qs_o^\partial)$	$O(S_m), O(qs_o^\partial)$
∂_v	$O(ld_1 + \partial)$	$O(qs_o + \partial)$
θ	$O(qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m)$	$O(qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m)$

where $vdg_o, var_o, id_o, qs_o, ls_o$ are maxima taken over all the axioms of \mathcal{P} ¹³ of vdg, var, id, qs and ls respectively and ld_1, ls_1 are maxima of ld, ls taken over contractions $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$ of \mathcal{P} .

For **classical** proofs \mathcal{P} a preprocessing double-negation translation must be employed, see Section 4.1. The above upper bounds must be adapted to take it into account. The situation changes as follows. There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant (independent of \mathcal{P}) such that (below “FI” means “functional interpretation”):

	usual FI	monotone FI
mdg	$vdg_o + O(fid_o)$	$vdg_o + O(fid_o)$
mar	$var_o + O(qs_o \cdot fid_o)$	$var_o + O(qs_o \cdot fid_o)$
d	$O(ls_o \cdot \partial)$	$O(qs_o \cdot \partial)$
S	$O(S_c), O(ls_o \cdot qs_o^{k \cdot \partial})$	$O(S_m), O(qs_o^{k \cdot \partial})$
∂_v	$O(ls_o + \partial)$	$O(qs_o + \partial)$
θ	$O(qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m)$	$O(qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m)$

where vdg_o, var_o, qs_o, ls_o are maxima taken over all the axioms of \mathcal{P} of vdg, var, qs and ls respectively and fid_o is the maximum of fid over all the formulas of \mathcal{P} .

¹³In fact it is sufficient to consider only the axioms of the transformed proof \mathcal{P}^{tr} , see Definition 3.8. The same holds for the subsequent definitions as well, including the classical case.

Since they are not produced by functional interpretation, we normally do not count the terms t_1, t_2 which appear in prime formulas $t_1 = t_2$ of contractions $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$ and the quantifier axioms terms as part of the realizing terms. We rather consider them as “black boxes” and use their type and free variables information only (see Definition 3.10). From a programming perspective, they may be considered as subprograms residing in libraries and made accessible to the extracted program via references. The bounds for the usual functional interpretation actually hold also if we take into account the terms mentioned above provided that instead of ld, ls one uses wd , respectively ws , where

- wd is the whole depth of A , assuming a tree representation of A where tree representations of the terms occurring in A are linked from the corresponding leaves of the usual tree representation of A ;
- ws is the whole size of A , i.e., the number of all logical constants of A plus the number of all occurrences of variables and constants in A .

For mdg and mar also the maximal degree, respectively arity of constants occurring in contraction and quantifier axioms terms must be taken into account. For more details see Remark 3.28.

1.2 Notational conventions

The symbols $:\equiv$ and \equiv belong to the meta-level and mean *equal by definition* and *is identical to* respectively. The symbol $=$ is used by abuse for equality in both meta-level and formal systems. For a set M we let $M^{\leq \omega} := \cup_{n \leq \omega} M^n$. The symbol \mathbb{N} denotes the set of *natural numbers*. For a function $f : M' \mapsto \mathbb{N}$ and $M \subseteq M'$, M finite, we let $f(M) := \max\{f(m) \mid m \in M\}$. An enumeration $\mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_n$ denotes an ordered tuple abbreviated $\underline{\mathcal{S}}$. We denote by $\{\underline{\mathcal{S}}\}$ the set corresponding to $\underline{\mathcal{S}}$, by $|\underline{\mathcal{S}}|$ the length of $\underline{\mathcal{S}}$ and by $\underline{\mathcal{S}'}, \underline{\mathcal{S}''}$ the concatenation of $\underline{\mathcal{S}'}$ and $\underline{\mathcal{S}''}$. If $\{\underline{\mathcal{S}}\} \subseteq M'$ we abbreviate by $f(\underline{\mathcal{S}}) := f(\{\underline{\mathcal{S}}\})$. If p is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, n\}$, $\underline{\mathcal{S}}^p$ abbreviates the tuple $\mathcal{S}_{p_1}, \dots, \mathcal{S}_{p_n}$.

Let $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ be a sufficiently large constant ($k_0 \equiv 10$ suffices for our purposes)¹⁴. For a labeled tree Δ we denote by $\partial(\Delta)$ the depth of Δ plus k_0 ; by $\partial_L(\Delta)$ the L depth of Δ (here L is a meta-variable for labels), i.e., the maximal number of L labels on a path from root to leaves plus k_0 ; by $Lv(\Delta)$ the set of labels of leaves of Δ and by $Vt(\Delta)$ the set of labels of all vertices of Δ .

A (*formal*) *proof* in some logical system is a tree whose vertices are labeled

¹⁴ The meta-constant k_0 is only needed for technical reasons. It just helps to increase the readability of the numerous upper-bound expressions from the sequel. We consider that it clarifies the exposition when including k_0 unchanged in the various computations rather than combine (and therefore lose its trace) an actual constant. The indication $k_0 \equiv 10$ just gives a hint of the order of magnitude of k_0 .

with formulas, such that the leaves are labeled with axioms and assumptions and any parent vertex is labeled with the result of the application of an instance of some rule to the labels of its sons. The edges which connect the parent vertex with its sons are labeled with the name of the corresponding rule. We denote by $L(\cdot)$ the *labeling function* on vertices and edges. We call a proof *complete* if all its leaves are labeled with axioms only. Notice that an *incomplete* proof is complete in the system extended with its assumptions as axioms. We will denote proofs by \vdash or --- , possibly with bounds on the depth attached, such as \vdash_n for a proof of depth at most n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2 The weak base system EIL^ω

In the following we introduce the system EIL^ω ¹⁵ which forms in a sense a weak base system containing exactly the tools needed to carry out the functional interpretation. It extends intuitionistic logic in finite types with appropriate combinators¹⁶, a cases operator \mathcal{D} and some very basic arithmetic needed to define characteristic functionals for quantifier-free formulas. We also include C. Spector's quantifier-free rule of extensionality ER_0 , see Section 2.3. This allows an as extensional as possible treatment of higher type equality in the context of functional interpretation¹⁷ – see also [34].

We first carry out a full quantitative analysis for the functional interpretation of an extension $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\forall + \text{MK}$ ¹⁸ of EIL^ω into the quantifier-free fragment of EIL^ω . Due to the modularity of functional interpretation this analysis immediately relativizes to further extensions of EIL^ω with certain axioms like, e.g., induction. Suppose that we consider an additional (closed) axiom A . Let us add to EIL^ω new constants \underline{c} of appropriate types and the axiom¹⁹ $\forall y A_{\mathcal{D}}(\underline{c}, y)$ expressing that \underline{c} satisfies the functional interpretation of A . The quantitative analysis for the functional interpretation of $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\forall + \text{MK}$ immediately relativizes to this extension. Functional interpretation now provides realizing terms $t[\underline{c}]$ built up out of the EIL^ω -material and \underline{c} . The complexity analysis for the extended theory is then completed by determining actual terms s which satisfy the functional interpretation $\exists x \forall y A_{\mathcal{D}}(\underline{x}, y)$ of A and the complexity of the verifying proof $\vdash \forall y A_{\mathcal{D}}(\underline{s}, y)$.

¹⁵ Acronym for “(weakly extensional) extended intuitionistic logic in all finite types”.

¹⁶ These allow the definition of λ -terms, see Definition 2.12.

¹⁷ Most applications of functional interpretation have been based on such an extensional variant. For sentences containing only variables of type 0 or 1 the use of full extensionality is admissible since the elimination-of-extensionality procedure from [39] is applicable.

¹⁸ AC is the Axiom of Choice, IP_\forall is Independence of Premises for universal premises. MK is a variant of Markov's principle, see Section 3.1. For EIL_+^ω see Definition 3.10.

¹⁹ Here $\exists x \forall y A_{\mathcal{D}}(\underline{x}, y)$ is the functional interpretation of A , see also Section 3.

There are two possible ways of handling λ -abstraction in a system like EIL^ω . We could treat λ -abstraction either as a primitive concept or as defined by combinators. The treatment via combinators provides a finer complexity analysis and reflects more faithfully the actual functional interpretation of a Hilbert-style axiomatization²⁰ of intuitionistic logic which we have – following Gödel’s original formulation – used for EIL^ω . The combinators and projectors we use are more flexible than the usual Σ and Π first introduced by Schönfinkel in [46]. Our Σ provide in particular extensions of Schönfinkel’s Σ to tuples (see Definition 2.4) and our Π are extensions of Schönfinkel’s Π to tuples. This is natural since we use tuples of variables throughout our formulation of functional interpretation. The design of our Σ and Π is made according to the actual constructs required by functional interpretation while keeping the benefits of the usual Σ and Π . The latter allow one to avoid any notion of bound variables in terms and are the most convenient in connection with logical relations²¹. Our Σ and Π are in fact definable in terms of usual Σ and Π , though at the expense of a rather artificial increase in the length of the verifying proof. The upper bound on the size of the extracted terms would nevertheless still hold with such a definition, see Remark 3.30.

2.1 The type structure FT

The set FT of all *finite types* is inductively generated by the rules

- (i) $o \in \text{FT}$
- (ii) If $\sigma, \tau \in \text{FT}$ then $(\sigma\tau) \in \text{FT}$.

Intuitively type o represents the set of natural numbers and $(\sigma\tau)$ represents the set of functions which map objects of type σ to objects of type τ . There are many alternative notations in the literature for $(\sigma\tau)$, like for example $\tau(\sigma)$, $(\sigma)\tau$, $(\sigma \rightarrow \tau)$. We make the convention that concatenation of types is right associative and consequently omit unnecessary parenthesis, writing $\delta\sigma\tau$ instead of $(\delta(\sigma\tau))$. It can immediately be verified by induction over FT that each $\sigma \in \text{FT}$ has the form $\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n o$ with $n \geq 0$. We abbreviate by:

²⁰In a natural deduction context, it might be more natural to treat λ -abstraction as a primitive concept. Natural deduction formulations of functional interpretation are provided by Diller-Nahm [10] (see also [45,53]) and Joergensen [28]. In the former all definitions by cases for the realizing terms of contractions are postponed to the end by collecting all candidates and making a single final global choice. In the latter choices are local and one has to apply a so-called “contraction lemma” for each of them, i.e., whenever more than one copy of an assumption gets cancelled. In any case, the analysis carried out in the present paper can immediately be adapted to a system with λ -abstraction included as primitive construct, see Remark 3.30.

²¹One example of a logical relation is Howard’s majorizability which plays a key role in most applications of functional interpretation [3,31,35].

- $\underline{\sigma}$ the ordered tuple of types $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$
- $\underline{\sigma}\tau$ the type $\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n \tau$.

Definition 2.1 For a type we define:

- the *arity* by $ar(o) := 0$ and $ar(\sigma\tau) := ar(\tau) + 1$;
- the *degree* by $dg(o) := 0$ and $dg(\sigma\tau) := \max\{dg(\sigma) + 1, dg(\tau)\}$

and for a tuple of types we define

- the *arity* by $ar(\underline{\sigma}) := \max\{ar(\sigma_1), \dots, ar(\sigma_n)\}$;
- the *degree* by $dg(\underline{\sigma}) := \max\{dg(\sigma_1), \dots, dg(\sigma_n)\}$.

Then $dg(\underline{\sigma}\tau) = \max\{dg(\underline{\sigma}) + 1, dg(\tau)\}$ and $ar(\underline{\sigma}\tau) = ar(\tau) + |\underline{\sigma}|$.

2.2 Intuitionistic Equality Logic over FT (IEL^ω)

Our formalization of IEL^ω below is a slight modification of the axiomatic calculus for multisorted intuitionistic predicate logic used by Gödel in his original paper on functional interpretation [22]. The only differences are:

- (1) The *sylogism* and *expansion* are formulated as axioms instead of rules. Gödel's formulation with rules was designed to ease the formulation of the soundness proof for the functional interpretation. Nevertheless for the quantitative analysis it is more convenient to use the axiom versions of

- (a) the expansion rule $\frac{A \rightarrow B}{C \vee A \rightarrow C \vee B}$, since the formula C may introduce realizing terms of arbitrary complexities; also the formula complexity of the conclusion is higher than that of the premise;

- (b) the sylogism rule $\frac{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C}{A \rightarrow C}$, which would force us to consider

the sum of quantitative measures of both premises when computing upper bounds for quantitative measures of the conclusion. We can

immediately notice that the mere Modus Ponens $\frac{A, A \rightarrow B}{B}$ avoids

such a situation, since the formula complexity of the premise $A \rightarrow B$ upper bounds that of the conclusion B .

- (2) The quantifier rules and axioms are formulated with tuples of variables since we use tuples throughout the functional interpretation.

The language of $\text{IEL}^\omega[\mathcal{C}]$ contains, aside from the constants \mathcal{C} , the following:

- denumerably many *variables* which we denote by letters x, y, z, u, v, w , possibly capitalized or adorned with subscripts; $\underline{x} := x_1, \dots, x_n$ denotes a tuple

of variables; in the same context we use x as metavariable for an individual element of \underline{x} ; each of the variables is associated a unique sort (mostly called type) which is an element of \mathbf{FT} , such that there exist denumerably many variables for each sort; we possibly indicate the type of a variable by carrying it as a superscript, like x^σ and then we denote $\underline{x}^\sigma := x_1^{\sigma_1}, \dots, x_n^{\sigma_n}$;

- a binary predicate constant $=_o$ for equality between objects of type o ;
- logical constants $\perp, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \forall x$ and $\exists x$ (for each variable x).

Each of the constants in \mathcal{C} is sorted as well, with the type possibly indicated as superscript. We often do not indicate \mathcal{C} and write \mathbf{IEL}^ω when the set of constants is either clear from the context or not relevant. We use l as metavariable for both variables and constants.

The terms of \mathbf{IEL}^ω are sorted, with their types possibly indicated in superscripts and are inductively generated from variables and constants according to the rule that if $t^{\sigma\tau}$ and s^σ are terms then $(ts)^\tau$ is a term. Terms are denoted by letters s, t, r , possibly adorned with subscripts; tuples of terms are denoted like $\underline{t} := t_1, \dots, t_n$; in the same context we use t as metavariable for an individual element of \underline{t} . We denote by $\mathcal{V}(t)$ the set of variables occurring in t and write $t[\underline{x}]$ to indicate that $\{\underline{x}\} \subseteq \mathcal{V}(t)$. If $\mathcal{V}(t) = \emptyset$ we say that t is a *closed* term. We make the convention that concatenation of terms is left associative and consequently omit unnecessary parenthesis, writing rst instead of $((rs)t)$. When writing down an expression it is always assumed that the terms are well-formed, i.e. the types are fitting. For t^σ we denote by $\mathit{typ}(t) := \sigma$ and by

- $ar(t) := ar(\sigma)$ the *arity* of t ;
- $dg(t) := dg(\sigma)$ the *degree* of t .

For a term we define

- the *depth* by $d(l) := 0$ and $d(ts) := \max\{d(t), d(s)\} + 1$;
- the *size* by $S(l) := 1$ and $S(ts) := S(t) + S(s)$.

The *subterm* relation is defined as the reflexive transitive closure of $\{(s, ts), (t, ts)\}$. We denote by $s \leq t$ the fact that s is a subterm of t . It is obvious that \leq is a partial order relation. Let $mdg(t) := \max\{dg(s) \mid s \leq t\}$ and $mar(t) := \max\{ar(s) \mid s \leq t\}$. We notice that:

- $dg(t) \geq dg(ts)$, hence $mdg(r) = \max_{l \leq r} dg(l)$
- $ar(t) \geq ar(ts)$, hence $mar(r) = \max_{l \leq r} ar(l)$

We will abbreviate by $t(\underline{s}) := t s_1 \dots s_m$ and $\underline{t}(\underline{s}) := t_1(\underline{s}), \dots, t_n(\underline{s})$.

The formulas of \mathbf{IEL}^ω are inductively generated from *prime formulas* $s^o =_o t^o$ and \perp according to the rule that if A and B are formulas then $(A \wedge B)$, $(A \vee B)$, $(A \rightarrow B)$, $(\forall x A)$ and $(\exists x A)$ are formulas. Equivalence and negation of formulas are defined as $A \leftrightarrow B := ((A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A))$ and respectively $\neg A := (A \rightarrow \perp)$. The expressions $\forall \underline{x}$, $\exists \underline{x}$ abbreviate $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n$ and $\exists x_1 \dots \exists x_n$

respectively. Equality between the terms s and t of type $\sigma = \sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n o$ (with $1 \leq n$) is just an abbreviation for $\forall x_1^{\sigma_1} \dots x_n^{\sigma_n} (s x_1 \dots x_n =_o t x_1 \dots x_n)$, where the variables x_1, \dots, x_n do not occur in s or t . Non-equality (or difference) between terms s and t is defined by $s \neq t \equiv \neg(s = t)$. We abbreviate by $\underline{s} = \underline{t} \equiv (s_1 = t_1), \dots, (s_n = t_n)$ – hence a tuple of formulas.

We denote formulas by letters A, B, C , possibly adorned with subscripts or superscripts. In order to avoid unnecessary parenthesis we make the convention that $\forall x, \exists x, \neg, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$ is the decreasing order of precedence and that \rightarrow is right associative. We call a formula *quantifier-free* if it does not contain \forall, \exists, \vee . The subscript 0 always indicates a quantifier-free formula, such as A_0, B_0, C_0 . We denote by $\mathcal{V}_f(A), \mathcal{V}_b(A), \mathcal{V}(A)$ the set of free, bound, respectively all variables occurring in A and write $A(\underline{x})$ to indicate that $\{\underline{x}\} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_f(A)$. We denote by $\mathcal{C}(A)$ the set of constants occurring in A and by $vdg(A) \equiv dg(\mathcal{V}(A))$, $var(A) \equiv ar(\mathcal{V}(A))$, $cdg(A) \equiv dg(\mathcal{C}(A))$ and $car(A) \equiv ar(\mathcal{C}(A))$. We denote by $d_{\mathcal{S}}(\cdot)$ the \mathcal{S} -depth of a formula which is defined for $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \{\forall, \exists, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$ by

- $d_{\mathcal{S}}(s =_o t) \equiv d_{\mathcal{S}}(\perp) \equiv k_0$ (see Section 1.2 for the definition of k_0)
- For $Q \in \{\forall, \exists\}$, $d_{\mathcal{S}}(Qx A) \equiv \begin{cases} d_{\mathcal{S}}(A) + 1, & \text{if } Q \in \mathcal{S} \\ d_{\mathcal{S}}(A) & , \text{if } Q \notin \mathcal{S} \end{cases}$
- For $\square \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$, $d_{\mathcal{S}}(A \square B) \equiv \begin{cases} \max\{d_{\mathcal{S}}(A), d_{\mathcal{S}}(B)\} + 1, & \text{if } \square \in \mathcal{S} \\ \max\{d_{\mathcal{S}}(A), d_{\mathcal{S}}(B)\} & , \text{if } \square \notin \mathcal{S} \end{cases}$

For a formula A we define the following:

- the *logical constants depth* by $ld(A) \equiv d_{\forall, \exists, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow}(A)$;
- the *whole depth* by $wd(A) \equiv d'_{\forall, \exists, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow}(A)$; here d' differs from d just in $d'_{\mathcal{S}}(s =_o t) \equiv k_0 + \max\{d(s), d(t)\}$;
- the *implication depth* $id(A) \equiv d_{\rightarrow}^o(A)$ and the *forall depth* $fd(A) \equiv d_{\forall}^o(A)$; here d^o differs from d just in $d_{\mathcal{S}}^o(A_0) \equiv k_0$;
- the *forall/implication depth* by $fid(A) \equiv \max\{fd(A), id(A)\}$;
- the *quantifier size*, denoted $qs(A)$, is the number of quantifiers (including \vee) occurring in A , when A is a closed formula and the quantifier size of its universal closure in the general case;
- the *logical constants size*, denoted $ls(A)$, is obtained by adding to $qs(A)$ the number of $\wedge, \rightarrow, \perp, =$ occurring in A ;
- the *whole size*, denoted $ws(A)$, is obtained by adding to $ls(A)$ the number of all occurrences of variables and constants in A .

We present below the axioms and rules of IEL^ω :

Logical axioms

$\text{CT}\vee$:	$A \vee A \rightarrow A$	(contraction)
$\text{CT}\wedge$:	$A \rightarrow A \wedge A$	
$\text{WK}\vee$:	$A \rightarrow A \vee B$	(weakening)
$\text{WK}\wedge$:	$A \wedge B \rightarrow A$	
$\text{PM}\vee$:	$A \vee B \rightarrow B \vee A$	(permutation)
$\text{PM}\wedge$:	$A \wedge B \rightarrow B \wedge A$	
SYL :	$(A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$	(syllogism)
EPN :	$(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (C \vee A \rightarrow C \vee B)$	(expansion)
EFQ :	$\perp \rightarrow A$	(ex falso quodlibet)
$\text{QA}\forall$:	$\forall \underline{z} A(\underline{z}) \rightarrow A(\underline{s})$	(quantifier axioms)
$\text{QA}\exists$:	$A(\underline{s}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{z} A(\underline{z})$	

We denote by $\text{QA} := \text{QA}\forall + \text{QA}\exists$. At QA , s is free for z in A and the substitution is simultaneous.

For instances $B(\underline{s})$ of QA which involve the constants \underline{s} , we define the

- *term depth* of $B(\underline{s})$ by $td(B) := d(\underline{s})$;
- *term size* of $B(\underline{s})$ by $ts(B) := \sum_{s \in \underline{s}} S(s)$.

Logical rules

MP :	$A, A \rightarrow B \vdash B$	(modus ponens)
EXP :	$A \wedge B \rightarrow C \vdash A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$	(exportation)
IMP :	$A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C) \vdash A \wedge B \rightarrow C$	(importation)
$\text{QR}\forall$:	$B \rightarrow A \vdash B \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} A$	(quantifier rules)
$\text{QR}\exists$:	$A \rightarrow B \vdash \exists \underline{z} A \rightarrow B$	

We denote by $\text{QR} := \text{QR}\forall + \text{QR}\exists$. At QR , z is not free in B .

Equality axioms

REF :	$x =_o x$	(reflexivity)
SYM :	$x =_o y \rightarrow y =_o x$	(symmetry)
TRZ :	$x =_o y \wedge y =_o z \rightarrow x =_o z$	(transitivity)

Recall that \vdash_n , with $n \in \mathbb{N}$, denotes a deduction of length at most n .

Remark 2.2 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all σ :

Higher-order equality

REF $[\sigma]$:	$\text{IEL}^\omega \vdash_k x =_\sigma x$	(reflexivity)
SYM $[\sigma]$:	$\text{IEL}^\omega \vdash_k x =_\sigma y \rightarrow y =_\sigma x$	(symmetry)
TRZ $[\sigma]$:	$\text{IEL}^\omega \vdash_k x =_\sigma y \wedge y =_\sigma z \rightarrow x =_\sigma z$	(transitivity)

Given a set of rules (axioms are comprised as rules with empty premise) \mathbf{RL} whose formulas contain the constants \mathcal{C} , we denote by $\text{IEL}^\omega[\mathbf{RL}]$ the system $\text{IEL}^\omega[\mathcal{C}]$ extended with the rules in \mathbf{RL} . We sometimes abbreviate $\text{IEL}^\omega[\mathbf{RL}]$ with a different denotation (like EIL^ω below) and then $(\text{IEL}^\omega[\mathbf{RL}])[\mathbf{RL}'] \equiv \text{IEL}^\omega[\mathbf{RL} \cup \mathbf{RL}']$.

2.3 EIL^ω – Extended Intuitionistic Equality Logic over FT

Multisorted weakly extensional extended intuitionistic equality logic over FT, which we denote by EIL^ω , is obtained by extending IEL^ω with exactly the elements which are strictly necessary to carry out functional interpretation even for IEL^ω . The language of EIL^ω contains the following constants :

- the *zero* constant $0 \equiv \mathbf{0}_o$ of type o and for each type $\rho \equiv \underline{\sigma}o$ the higher-order *zero* constant $\mathbf{0}_\rho$ which is defined by the axiom

$$\text{Ax0} : \quad \mathbf{0}_\rho(\underline{z}^\sigma) = 0$$
 (hence for any type there exists at least one constant)
- the *successor* constant \mathbf{S} of type oo which is defined by the axioms

$$\text{AxS} : \quad \mathbf{S}x \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{S}x = \mathbf{S}y \rightarrow x = y$$
- the *boolean* constants $\nu, \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{E}$ all of type ooo which are defined by the axioms

$$\text{Ax}\nu : \quad (x = 0 \wedge y = 0) \leftrightarrow \nu xy = 0$$

$$\text{Ax}\mathbf{I} : \quad (x = 0 \rightarrow y = 0) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{I}xy = 0$$

$$\text{Ax}\mathbf{E} : \quad x = y \leftrightarrow \mathbf{E}xy = 0$$
- for each $n, i \in \mathbb{N}$ with $i \leq n$ and types $\underline{\sigma} \equiv \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$, the *decision* constant \mathbf{D}_i^σ of type $o\underline{\sigma}\underline{\sigma}\sigma_i$ which is defined by the axioms (below $|\underline{z}| = |\underline{z}'|$)

$$\text{Ax}\mathbf{D} : \quad x = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{D}_i^\sigma(x, \underline{z}, \underline{z}') = z_i \quad \text{and} \quad x \neq 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{D}_i^\sigma(x, \underline{z}, \underline{z}') = z'_i$$

- for each choice of the following
 - $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\underline{n} := n_0, n_1, \dots, n_m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\bar{n} := n^1, \dots, n^m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_0, n_1, \dots, n_m \leq n$ and $n^1, \dots, n^m \leq n$
 - permutations $\underline{p} := p_0, p_1, \dots, p_m$ and $\bar{p} := p^1, \dots, p^m$ of $\{1, \dots, n\}$
 - types $\tau, \underline{\sigma} \equiv \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$ and $\underline{\delta} \equiv \delta_1, \dots, \delta_m$
 the *combinator* constant $\Sigma_{\underline{p}, \bar{p}, \underline{n}, \bar{n}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\delta}, \tau, m}$ which is defined by the following axiom

$$\text{Ax}\Sigma : \quad \Sigma_{\underline{p}, \bar{p}, \underline{n}, \bar{n}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\delta}, \tau, m}(x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}) = x(\underline{z}_0, y_1(\underline{z}^1), \underline{z}_1, \dots, y_m(\underline{z}^m), \underline{z}_m)$$
 The type of $\Sigma_{\underline{p}, \bar{p}, \underline{n}, \bar{n}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\delta}, \tau, m}$ is $(\underline{\sigma}_0 \delta_1 \underline{\sigma}_1 \dots \delta_m \underline{\sigma}_m \tau) (\underline{\sigma}^1 \delta_1) \dots (\underline{\sigma}^m \delta_m) \underline{\sigma} \tau$, where we abbreviated by $\{\underline{\sigma}_j := \sigma_{(p_j)_1}, \dots, \sigma_{(p_j)_{n_j}}\}_{j=0}^m$ and $\{\underline{\sigma}^j := \sigma_{(p^j)_1}, \dots, \sigma_{(p^j)_{n_j}}\}_{j=1}^m$.
- for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, permutation p of $\{1, \dots, n\}$ and types $\tau, \underline{\sigma} \equiv \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$, the *permutation* constant $P_{n,p}^{\underline{\sigma}, \tau}$ of type $(\underline{\sigma} \tau) \underline{\sigma}^p \tau$ which is defined by the axiom

$$\text{Ax}P : \quad P_{n,p}^{\underline{\sigma}, \tau}(x, \underline{z}^p) = x(\underline{z})$$
 Recall from Section 1.2 that $\underline{\sigma}^p$ and \underline{z}^p represent the p -permuted $\underline{\sigma}$ and \underline{z} .
- for each $n, i \in \mathbb{N}$, $i \leq n$ and types $\underline{\sigma} \equiv \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$, the *projector* constant $\Pi_i^{\underline{\sigma}}$ of type $\underline{\sigma} \sigma_i$ which is defined by the axiom

$$\text{Ax}II : \quad \Pi_i^{\underline{\sigma}}(\underline{z}) = z_i$$

For simplicity we abbreviate by $1 := \text{S}0$. The system EIL^ω is finally obtained by adding the quantifier-free tertium non datur axiom

$$\text{TND}_0 : \quad x = 0 \vee \neg(x = 0)$$

and the quantifier-free extensionality rule

$$\text{ER}_0 : \quad \frac{A_0 \rightarrow s_1 = t_1, \dots, A_0 \rightarrow s_n = t_n}{A_0 \rightarrow B_0(\underline{s}) \rightarrow B_0(\underline{t})}.$$

The formal proofs in the sequel will be in EIL^ω if not otherwise indicated.

Remark 2.3 The constants P and II are definable in terms of Σ and also $0_{\underline{\sigma}o} = \Pi_1^{o, \underline{\sigma}} 0$. We nevertheless chose to define them separately since they play a particular rôle.

Definition 2.4 As particular cases of Σ we distinguish the *tuple-Schönfinkel combinators* $\Sigma_{(\underline{1}_n, \underline{1}_n), (\underline{1}_n), (n, 0), (n)}^{\underline{\sigma}, (\delta), \tau, 1}$ with defining axioms of shape

$$\Sigma_{(\underline{1}_n, \underline{1}_n), (\underline{1}_n), (n, 0), (n)}^{\underline{\sigma}, (\delta), \tau, 1}(x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}) = x(\underline{z}, y(\underline{z})).$$

These are generalizations of the usual²² Schönfinkel combinators Σ to tuples and will be used in the λ -abstraction Definition 2.12. The usual *Schönfinkel combinators* Σ are in fact particular cases of our Σ of shape $\Sigma_{(\underline{1}_1, \underline{1}_1), (\underline{1}_1), (1, 0), (1)}^{\underline{\sigma}, (\delta), \tau, 1}$ with defining axioms $\Sigma_{(\underline{1}_1, \underline{1}_1), (\underline{1}_1), (1, 0), (1)}^{\underline{\sigma}, (\delta), \tau, 1}(x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}) = x(\underline{z}, y(\underline{z}))$. Also the usual *Schönfinkel projectors* II are particular cases of our II of shape $\Pi_1^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)}$ with defining axioms $\Pi_1^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)}(z_1, z_2) = z_1$.

²² For the original definition of Schönfinkel's Σ and II see [46]. See also the last paragraph before Section 2.1.

Remark 2.5 The quantifier-free tertium-non-datur TND_0 becomes derivable in the presence of induction for propositional formulas. Moreover, in the presence of a modest amount of arithmetic, the constants \mathcal{D} , ν , \mathbf{I} and \mathbf{E} are definable and their axioms derivable. Therefore these axioms are in fact redundant in any concrete application of functional interpretations, e.g., to HA^ω and fragments thereof. Examples of the latter are systems of bounded arithmetic like IPV^ω of [8] and the poly-time arithmetic LHA of [47]²³.

Remark 2.6 The extensionality axiom

$$\text{EA}[\underline{\sigma}] : \quad \underline{x}^\sigma = \underline{y}^\sigma \rightarrow f^{\sigma o} \underline{x} =_o f^{\sigma o} \underline{y} \quad (\text{let } \text{EA} := \cup_{\underline{\sigma}} \text{EA}[\underline{\sigma}])$$

is derivable in EIL^ω for $\underline{\sigma} \equiv o, \dots, o$, particularly using the rule ER_0 . Therefore EIL^ω contains *all* equality axioms for type o . This no longer holds in general when $\underline{\sigma}$ contains higher types (follows from Section 3.5.10 of [55] and [27]). On the other hand, ER_0 is derivable from EA in $\text{EIL}^\omega \setminus \text{ER}_0$, hence the rule is strictly weaker than the axiom, but only at higher types.

Remark 2.7 These hold in EIL^ω : $\vdash \perp \leftrightarrow 1 = 0$ and $\vdash x \neq 0 \leftrightarrow \mathbf{I}x1 = 0$.

Remark 2.8 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $\underline{s}, \underline{t}, r, r_1, r_2, B_0$, the following hold:

$$\underline{s} = \underline{t} \vdash_k B_0(\underline{s}) \rightarrow B_0(\underline{t}) \tag{1}$$

$$\underline{s} = \underline{t} \vdash_k r[\underline{s}] = r[\underline{t}]$$

$$r_1 = r_2, \underline{s} = \underline{t} \vdash_k r_1(\underline{s}) = r_2(\underline{t}). \tag{2}$$

Proposition 2.9 The following equalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} dg(\Sigma_{\underline{p}, \underline{p}, \underline{n}, \underline{n}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\delta}, \tau, m}) &= \max\{dg(\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\delta}) + 2, dg(\tau) + 1\} & dg(\Pi_i^\sigma) &= dg(\underline{\sigma}) + 1 \\ dg(P_{\underline{n}, \underline{p}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \tau}) &= \max\{dg(\underline{\sigma}) + 2, dg(\tau) + 1\} & dg(\mathcal{D}_i^\sigma) &= dg(\underline{\sigma}) + 1 \\ ar(\Sigma_{\underline{p}, \underline{p}, \underline{n}, \underline{n}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\delta}, \tau, m}) &= ar(\tau) + |\underline{\sigma}| + |\underline{\delta}| + 1 & ar(\Pi_i^\sigma) &= ar(\sigma_i) + |\underline{\sigma}| \\ ar(\mathcal{D}_i^\sigma) &= ar(\sigma_i) + 2|\underline{\sigma}| + 1 & ar(P_{\underline{n}, \underline{p}}^{\underline{\sigma}, \tau}) &= ar(\tau) + |\underline{\sigma}| + 1 \end{aligned}$$

In the proposition below we show how and at which cost in proof depth the quantifier-free formulas can be viewed as prime formulas.

Proposition 2.10 (Association of terms to quantifier-free formulas)

There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an association of terms to quantifier-free formulas $A_0 \mapsto t_{A_0}$ such that for all A_0 ,

$$\vdash_{k \cdot ld(A_0)} A_0(\underline{a}) \leftrightarrow t_{A_0}[\underline{a}] = 0. \tag{3}$$

Proof: The proof is by induction on the structure of A_0 , making use of the boolean constants axioms. For prime formulas just take $t_{t_1=t_2} := \mathbf{E} t_1 t_2$ and

²³ Even though LHA was designed in a modified realizability context, the outline of similar systems corresponding to functional interpretations is quite straightforward.

$t_{\perp} := 1$, then recursively define $t_{B_0 \wedge C_0} := \nu t_{B_0} t_{C_0}$ and $t_{B_0 \rightarrow C_0} := \mathbb{I} t_{B_0} t_{C_0}$. \square

Corollary 2.11 (TND and Stability for quantifier-free formulas)

There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all quantifier-free A_0 ,

$$\vdash_{k \cdot ld(A_0)} A_0(\underline{a}) \vee \neg A_0(\underline{a}) \quad (4)$$

$$\vdash_{k \cdot ld(A_0)} \neg \neg A_0(\underline{a}) \rightarrow A_0(\underline{a}) . \quad (5)$$

Proof: The principle $\text{STAB}_0 : \neg \neg x = 0 \rightarrow x = 0$ follows immediately with constant-depth proof from TND_0 . Both (4) and (5) follow immediately from TND_0 and STAB_0 respectively by (3) and (1). \square

Definition 2.12 (λ -abstraction) To every term t^τ one associates a term $(\lambda \underline{x}^\sigma. t)^{\sigma\tau}$, with $\mathcal{V}(\lambda \underline{x}. t) = \mathcal{V}(t) - \{\underline{x}\}$, recursively defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \underline{x}. x_i &:= \Pi_i^\sigma \\ \lambda \underline{x}. t &:= \Pi_1^{(\tau, \sigma)} t, \text{ if } \{\underline{x}\} \cap \mathcal{V}(t) = \emptyset \\ \lambda \underline{x}. (t^{\delta\tau} s^\delta) &:= \Sigma_{(1_n, 1_n), (1_n), (n, 0), (n)}^{\sigma, (\delta), \tau, 1} (\lambda \underline{x}. t)(\lambda \underline{x}. s), \text{ if } \{\underline{x}\} \cap \mathcal{V}(ts) \neq \emptyset \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Proposition 2.13 (β -reduction) There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all t and \underline{r} the following holds: $\vdash_{k \cdot d(t)} (\lambda \underline{x}^\sigma. t[\underline{x}]) \underline{r}^\sigma =_\tau t[\underline{r}]$.

Proof: By straightforward induction on $d(t)$, using (2) when the induction step falls under (6). \square

Proposition 2.14 The following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} d(\lambda \underline{x}. t) &\leq 2 \cdot d(t) & mdg(\lambda \underline{x}. t) &\leq \max\{d(\underline{x}) + 1, mdg(t)\} + 1 \\ S(\lambda \underline{x}. t) &\leq 3 \cdot S(t) & mar(\lambda \underline{x}. t) &\leq \max\{mar(t) + 1, ar(\underline{x})\} + |\underline{x}| \end{aligned}$$

Proof: By structural induction on t , following Definition 2.12. \square

Remark 2.15 In order to increase readability we will omit the adornments of Σ , P and Π from now on. We consider that this side information can be figured out from the context in a straightforward way. On the other hand its display would only complicate the exposition.

3 A quantitative analysis of functional interpretation

Gödel's functional (*Dialectica*) interpretation/translation was first introduced in [22] and is also presented in [39](4) and [55](3.5.1). It is a translation of proofs which includes a translation of formulas. Hence a given formula $A(\underline{a})$, with \underline{a} all free variables of A , is interpreted to the associated formula $A^{\mathbb{P}} \equiv \exists \underline{x} \forall \underline{y} A_{\mathbb{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}; \underline{a})$ with $A_{\mathbb{D}}$ quantifier-free and $\underline{x}, \underline{y}$ tuples of variables of

finite type such that $\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a}$ are all free variables of A_D . We often omit to display the tuples of free variables wherever this creates no ambiguity. We will denote by $B(\underline{a}')^D \equiv \exists \underline{u} \forall \underline{v} B_D(\underline{u}; \underline{v}; \underline{a}')$ and $C(\underline{a}'')^D \equiv \exists \underline{g} \forall \underline{h} C_D(\underline{g}; \underline{h}; \underline{a}'')$. The Dialectica interpretation of formulas is then given by the following list of rules:

Definition 3.1 (Gödel's functional interpretation of formulas)

$$\begin{aligned}
A^D &:\equiv (A_D := A) \text{ for prime formulas } A \\
(A \wedge B)^D &:\equiv \exists \underline{x}, \underline{u} \forall \underline{y}, \underline{v} [(A \wedge B)_D := A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{y}) \wedge B_D(\underline{u}; \underline{v})] \\
(\exists z A(\underline{a}, z))^D &:\equiv \exists z, \underline{x} \forall \underline{y} [(\exists z A(\underline{a}, z))_D := A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{y}; \underline{a}, z)] \\
(\forall z A(\underline{a}, z))^D &:\equiv \exists \underline{X} \forall z, \underline{y} (\forall z A(\underline{a}, z))_D & (7) \\
&\quad (\forall z A(\underline{a}, z))_D := A_D(\underline{X}(z); \underline{y}; \underline{a}, z)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(A \rightarrow B)^D &:\equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{U} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{v} (A \rightarrow B)_D & (8) \\
&\quad (A \rightarrow B)_D := A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{U}(\underline{x}); \underline{v})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(A \vee B)^D &:\equiv \exists z^o, \underline{x}, \underline{u} \forall \underline{y}, \underline{v} (A \vee B)_D \\
&\quad (A \vee B)_D := (z = 0 \rightarrow A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{y})) \wedge (Iz1 = 0 \rightarrow B_D(\underline{u}; \underline{v}))
\end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.2 For quantifier-free formulas A , $A^D = A_D = A$. The types and lengths of \underline{x} and \underline{y} depend only on the logical structure of A . Notice that $\mathcal{V}_f(A^D) = \mathcal{V}_f(A)$ and $\mathcal{V}_b(A^D) = \{\underline{x}, \underline{y}\}$. In the subsequent presentation, unless otherwise specified, \underline{x} and \underline{y} will refer to the \underline{x} and \underline{y} from A^D . Similarly $\underline{u}, \underline{g}$ and $\underline{v}, \underline{h}$ are bound by default to B^D and C^D respectively.

Proposition 3.3 It can be easily proved by induction on the structure of the formula A (recall from Section 2.3 that qs also counts the free variables) that

$$qs(A^D) = |\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a}| = qs(A) \quad (9)$$

Lemma 3.4 The following hold (for k_0 see Section 1.2 and Footnote 14):

$$dg(\mathcal{V}_b(C^D)) \leq vdg(C) + id(C) - k_0 + 1 \quad (10)$$

$$ar(\mathcal{V}_b(C^D)) \leq var(C) + qs(C) \cdot (id(C) - k_0 + 1) \quad (11)$$

Proof: The proof is by recursion on the structure of the formula C , following the Definition 3.1. We simply notice that

- $dg(\mathcal{V}_b(\cdot^D))$ may increase only at (8), with the quantity 1; (7) forces us to start with $1 + vdg(C)$, since $dg(X) = \max\{dg(x), dg(z) + 1\}$;
- $ar(\mathcal{V}_b(\cdot^D))$ may increase with the quantity 1 at (7) and with at most $|\underline{x}, \underline{v}| \leq qs(A \rightarrow B) \leq qs(C)$ at (8), hence

$$ar(\mathcal{V}_b(C^D)) \leq var(C) + fd(C) + qs(C) \cdot (id(C) - k_0) .$$

Definition 3.5 Let \mathbf{Ax} be an arbitrary but fixed²⁴ set of axioms. For a set of closed terms Tm and a set Fm of formulas in the language of $\mathsf{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$ we define

- the *prerealization* relation by $PR[\mathsf{Tm}, \mathsf{Fm}] := \{(t, A(\underline{a})) \subseteq \mathsf{Tm}^{\leq\omega} \times \mathsf{Fm} \mid |t| = |\underline{x}|, \{\underline{a}\} = \mathcal{V}(A) \text{ and } \mathit{typ}(t(\underline{a})) = \mathit{typ}(\underline{x})\}$. For $(t, A(\underline{a})) \in PR[\mathsf{Tm}, \mathsf{Fm}]$ we abbreviate by $\{\underline{t}, A\} := \forall \underline{y} A_{\mathsf{D}}(t(\underline{a}); \underline{y}; \underline{a})$.
- the *realization* relation by

$$RR[\mathsf{Tm}, \mathsf{Fm}] := \{(t, A) \in PR[\mathsf{Tm}, \mathsf{Fm}] \mid \mathsf{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}] \vdash \{\underline{t}, A\}\}$$

- the set of *realizing tuple selections* $RTS[\mathsf{Fm}, \mathsf{Tm}]$ as the set of those inverses to subsets of $RR[\mathsf{Tm}, \mathsf{Fm}]$ which are *functions* from Fm to $\mathsf{Tm}^{\leq\omega}$.

We omit to display Tm when it denotes the set of all the closed terms of $\mathsf{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$ or Fm when it denotes the set of all formulas in the language of $\mathsf{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$. The set \mathbf{Ax} will be determined by the context. Whenever $(t, A) \in RR$ we denote this fact by $\underline{t} \text{ Dr } A$ and say that

- \underline{t} is a *realizing tuple* for A^{D} ;
- t is a *realizing term* for A^{D} ;
- A^{D} is *realized* by \underline{t} or t .

We call

- *realizer* any realizing tuple or term;
- *realizer-free* a formula A for which $|\underline{x}| = 0$, where \underline{x} is from A^{D} .

Definition 3.6 We say that a proof \mathcal{P} is *realizer-free-normal* if all realizer-free formulas of \mathcal{P} are located at the leaf level.

Remark 3.7 Let \mathcal{P} be a realizer-free-normal proof. There exists no instance of ER_0 in \mathcal{P} since the conclusion is quantifier-free and consequently realizer-free. Realizer-free formulas of \mathcal{P} may label only leaves of \mathcal{P} which are left premises of MP instances. Indeed, if the conclusion in any of the rules QR , EXP , IMP is non-realizer-free then also the premise must be non-realizer-free. For the MP rule, if the conclusion is non-realizer-free then also the $A \rightarrow B$ premise must be non-realizer-free.

Definition 3.8 To any proof \mathcal{P} in some extension of EIL^ω we associate a realizer-free-normal proof \mathcal{P}^{tr} which is obtained from \mathcal{P} by removing its maximal subtrees rooted at vertices labeled with realizer-free formulas, yet keeping these roots (which become assumptions in \mathcal{P}^{tr}). There is a fairly simple algorithm which transforms \mathcal{P} to \mathcal{P}^{tr} by recursion on proof structure.

Remark 3.9 The proofs we consider in the sequel are realizer-free-normal if not otherwise specified. See also Remark 3.32.

²⁴See also Definition 3.10 and especially Remark 3.11.

3.1 Axiom extensions of EIL^ω . The system $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\forall + \text{MK}$

Instances of the following three schemata are formulas whose correspondents under functional interpretation can be realized by very simple terms, basically projectors II . This makes them the first to be considered for axiom extensions of EIL^ω since their inclusion in proofs in the domain of functional interpretation causes no increase in complexity. Moreover the verifying proof is in EIL^ω and has a constant bound on its depth. The first two are *logical axioms*, i.e., they are valid in classical logic. The third axiom is non-logical. The schemata are:

- (1) A variant of Markov's principle (below A_0 is quantifier-free)

$$\text{MK} : \quad \neg\neg \exists \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{x} \neg\neg A_0(\underline{x}) .$$

The usual²⁵ formulation of Markov's principle

$$\text{MK}' : \quad \neg\neg \exists \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x})$$

can be deduced from MK with a proof which makes use of (5) and therefore has depth upper bounded by $k \cdot ld(A_0)$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant; on the other hand the proof of MK from MK' has constant depth.

- (2) Independence of Premises for universal premises [below $\underline{y} \notin \mathcal{V}(\forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}))$]

$$\text{IP}_\forall : \quad [\forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{y} B(\underline{y})] \rightarrow \exists \underline{y} [\forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}) \rightarrow B(\underline{y})] .$$

- (3) The Axiom of Choice

$$\text{AC} : \quad \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{Y} \forall \underline{x} A(\underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x})) .$$

Another simple axiom extension of EIL^ω is with realizer-free formulas since the quantitative analysis does not get affected in any way. There is a particular kind of such axiom extension which we consider in the sequel. Strictly speaking, the terms t_1, t_2 which appear in prime formulas $t_1 = t_2$ of contractions $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$ and terms \underline{s} involved in quantifier axioms $A(\underline{s}) \equiv \forall \underline{z} B(\underline{z}) \rightarrow B(\underline{s})$ or $A(\underline{s}) \equiv B(\underline{s}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{z} B(\underline{z})$ are part of the realizing term (see Section 3.3). However we do not count them in the quantitative analysis, but rather introduce new constants $\tilde{t}_1, \tilde{t}_2, \tilde{s}$ associated to terms t_1, t_2, s together with their defining axioms, such that any of the terms t_1, t_2, s contributes as much as a unit (plus the number of its free variables) of size to the realizing term. This is justified by the fact that we are only interested in the complexity of functional interpretation itself. The terms t_1, t_2, s are not created by functional interpretation – they are merely given as basic input data.

Definition 3.10 Let \mathbf{Ax} be an arbitrary but fixed set of axioms and \mathbf{Th}_{rf} an arbitrary but fixed set of realizer-free theorems of $\text{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$. We define below two extensions EIL_+^ω and $\text{EIL}_\forall^\omega$ of $\text{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$. The system EIL_+^ω is obtained by

²⁵ We prefer the variant MK because the verifying proof of its functional interpretation is much simpler than for MK' . In the latter case the depth of the verifying proof is $k \cdot ld(A_0)$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant.

simply adding \mathbf{Th}_{rf} to the set of axioms of $\text{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$. Let $\tilde{\cdot}$ be a map which uniquely associates the $\tilde{\cdot}$ constants \tilde{t} to terms $t[\underline{a}]$ of $\text{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$ such that

$$dg(\tilde{t}) = \max\{dg(\underline{a}) + 1, dg(t)\} \quad \text{and} \quad ar(\tilde{t}) = |\underline{a}| + ar(t) \quad (12)$$

together with the defining axiom

$$\mathbf{Axt}^{\tilde{\cdot}}: \quad t[\underline{a}] = \tilde{t}(\underline{a}).$$

Let Tm be an arbitrary but fixed set of $\text{EIL}^\omega[\mathbf{Ax}]$ terms. The system EIL_V^ω is obtained by extending EIL_+^ω with the defining axioms $\mathbf{Axt}^{\tilde{\cdot}}$ for the newly introduced constants \tilde{t} associated to terms $t \in \text{Tm}$ by (12).

Remark 3.11 All *arbitrary but fixed* items in the above definition will be implicitly given by their context if not explicitly described.

3.2 The treatment of EIL^ω rules

Remark 3.12 Remember that the formal proofs below are by default in EIL^ω . See Section 1.2 for the definitions of Vt , Lv and ∂ . The definitions of qs , ls and the other quantitative measures of terms or formulas are given in Section 2.3. Recall that qs also counts the free variables of its argument. For the meaning of the relations PR , RR and RTS below see Definition 3.5 .

Lemma 3.13 The following hold for any proof \mathcal{P} :

$$qs(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = qs(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \quad \text{and} \quad ls(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = ls(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \quad (13)$$

$$\mathcal{V}(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = \mathcal{V}(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{C}(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = \mathcal{C}(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \quad (14)$$

Proof: The following (in)equalities are immediate:

$$qs(A \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} B(\underline{z})) = qs(A \rightarrow B(\underline{z})) \quad qs(\exists \underline{z} A(\underline{z}) \rightarrow B) = qs(A(\underline{z}) \rightarrow B)$$

$$qs(A \wedge B \rightarrow C) = qs(A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C) \quad qs(B) \leq qs(A \rightarrow B)$$

It follows by structural induction on \mathcal{P} that $qs(A) \leq qs(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$ for any formula $A \in \text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})$ and then $qs(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = qs(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$ is immediate. The argument for ls is identical and (14) has a similar proof, with \subseteq instead of \leq . \square

Lemma 3.14 (MP) Let \mathfrak{A}_{MP} be the algorithm which produces $(t_4, B(\underline{a}')) \in PR$ from the input $(\underline{t}_1, A(\underline{a}))$, $(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, (A \rightarrow B)(\underline{\tilde{a}})) \in PR$, where $\{\underline{a}_1\} = \{\underline{a}\} - \{\underline{a}'\}$, $\{\underline{\tilde{a}}\} = \{\underline{a}\} \cup \{\underline{a}'\}$ and t_4 is obtained from $t'_4 := \Sigma(t_3, \underline{t}_1, \underline{a}_1) = \lambda \underline{a}'. t_3(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{t}_1(\underline{a}))$ by replacing the variables \underline{a}_1 with constants $\mathbf{0}$ of corresponding types. There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that the following hold:

$$d(t_4) \leq qs(A \rightarrow B) + d(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_3) \quad (15)$$

$$S(t_4) \leq 1 + qs(A \rightarrow B) \cdot S(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_3) \quad (16)$$

$$dg(\underline{t}_4) \leq dg(\underline{t}_3) \quad \text{and} \quad ar(\underline{t}_4) \leq ar(\underline{t}_3)$$

$$mdg(\underline{t}_4) \leq \max\{mdg(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_3), dg(\underline{t}_3) + 1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mar}(t_4) &\leq \max\{\text{mar}(t_1, t_3), \text{ar}(t_3) + 1, \text{ar}(a_1)\} \\ \{\underline{t}_1, A\} \quad , \quad \{\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow B\} &\vdash_k \{\underline{t}_4, B\} \end{aligned}$$

Proof: There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow B) \in PR$ and $(\underline{t}_1, A) \in PR$ the following deductions hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{y} &:\equiv \underline{t}_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a), v) \quad \frac{\forall \underline{y} A_D(\underline{t}_1(a); \underline{y})}{A_D(\underline{t}_1(a); \underline{t}_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a), v))} k \\ \underline{x} &:\equiv \underline{t}_1(a) \quad \frac{\forall \underline{x}, v (A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{x}, v)) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{t}_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{x}); v))}{A_D(\underline{t}_1(a); \underline{t}_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a), v)) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{t}_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a)); v)} k \end{aligned}$$

By using MP once we thus obtain that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all (\underline{t}_1, A) and $(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow B)$ members of PR the following deduction holds:

$$\frac{\forall \underline{y} A_D(\underline{t}_1(a); \underline{y}) \quad \forall \underline{x}, v (A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{x}, v)) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{t}_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{x}); v))}{B_D(\underline{t}_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a)); v)} k$$

By $\text{Ax}\Sigma$ there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all (\underline{t}_1, A) and $(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow B)$ members of PR , $\vdash_k t_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a)) = t'_4(a')$ holds. Since B_D is quantifier-free, we obtain from (1) that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all (\underline{t}_1, A) and $(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow B) \in PR$ the deduction $B_D(\underline{t}_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a)); v) \vdash_k B_D(t'_4(a'); v)$ holds. We conclude that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all (\underline{t}_1, A) and $(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow B)$ members of PR , the following deduction holds:

$$\frac{\forall \underline{y} A_D(\underline{t}_1(a); \underline{y}) \quad \forall \underline{x}, v (A_D(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{x}, v)) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{t}_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{x}); v))}{\forall v B_D(t'_4(a'); v)} k$$

Since $|\underline{t}_1, a_1| + 1 \leq qs(A) + 1 \leq qs(A \rightarrow B)$ (for the second inequality here we also used that B is non-realizer-free), the inequalities (15) and (16) follow from

$$\begin{aligned} d(t_4) &\leq |\underline{t}_1, a_1| + 1 + \max\{d(\underline{t}_1), d(\underline{t}_3)\} \\ S(t_4) &\leq 1 + (|\underline{t}_1, a_1| + 1) \cdot \max\{S(\underline{t}_1), S(\underline{t}_3)\} . \end{aligned}$$

The remaining inequalities follow immediately from

$$\begin{aligned} dg(t_4) &\leq dg(\underline{t}_3) \quad dg(a_1) \leq dg(\Sigma) = dg(\underline{t}_3) + 1 \\ ar(t_4) &\leq ar(\underline{t}_3) \quad ar(\Sigma) = ar(\underline{t}_3) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

which are proved using $t_3(\tilde{a}, \underline{t}_1(a)) = t'_4(a') = \Sigma(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_1, a_1, a')$. \square

Lemma 3.15 (QR \forall , QR \exists) Let $\mathfrak{A}_{\text{QR}\forall}$ be the algorithm that produces the output $(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4, A(\underline{a}) \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} B(\underline{a}', \underline{z})) \in PR$ from an input $(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, A(\underline{a}) \rightarrow B(\underline{a}', \underline{z})) \in PR$, where $\underline{t}_3 := P t_1 = \lambda \tilde{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}. t_1(\tilde{a}, \underline{z}, \underline{x})$ and $\underline{t}_4 := P t_2 = \lambda \tilde{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}. t_2(\tilde{a}, \underline{z}, \underline{x})$ with $\{\tilde{a}\} = \{a\} \cup \{a'\}$. There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that the following hold:

$$\begin{aligned} d(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) &\leq d(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2) + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad dg(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) = dg(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2) \\ S(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) &\leq S(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2) + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad ar(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) = ar(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2) \\ mdg(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) &\leq \max\{mdg(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2), dg(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2) + 1\} \\ mar(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) &\leq \max\{mdg(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2), ar(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2) + 1\} \\ \{\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, A \rightarrow B(\underline{z})\} &\vdash_k \{\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4, A \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} B(\underline{z})\} \end{aligned}$$

A corresponding statement holds for $\text{QR}\exists$ as well, with the same bounds.

Proof: By definition,

$$(A \rightarrow B(\underline{a}', \underline{z}))^{\text{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{U} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{v} [A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{U}(\underline{x}); \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z})]$$

$$(A \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} B(\underline{a}', \underline{z}))^{\text{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{U} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{v} [A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{U}(\underline{x}, \underline{z}); \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z})].$$

By $\text{Ax}P$, there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, A \rightarrow B(\underline{z})) \in PR$,

$$\vdash_k t_3(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{v}) = t_1(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{z}, \underline{x}, \underline{v}) \quad \text{and} \quad \vdash_k t_4(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}) = t_2(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{z}, \underline{x}).$$

Since $A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{u}; \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z})$ is quantifier-free, by using (1) we obtain that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, A \rightarrow B(\underline{z}))$ member of PR ,

$$\frac{A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_1(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{z}, \underline{x}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{t}_2(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{z}, \underline{x}); \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z})}{A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_3(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{t}_4(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}); \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z})} k.$$

Further, there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, A \rightarrow B(\underline{z})) \in PR$,

$$\frac{\forall \underline{x}, \underline{v} (A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_1(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{z}, \underline{x}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{t}_2(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{z}, \underline{x}); \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z}))}{\forall \underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{v} (A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{t}_3(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{t}_4(\underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{x}, \underline{z}); \underline{v}; \underline{a}', \underline{z}))} k.$$

Obviously,

- $dg(t_3) = dg(t_1)$ and $dg(t_4) = dg(t_2)$, therefore $dg(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) = dg(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2)$
 - $ar(t_3) = ar(t_1)$ and $ar(t_4) = ar(t_2)$, therefore $ar(\underline{t}_3, \underline{t}_4) = ar(\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2)$
- and the inequalities in the conclusion of this Lemma follow immediately. \square

Lemma 3.16 (EXP, IMP) The following holds :

$$\{\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)\} = \{\underline{t}_1, \underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3, A \wedge B \rightarrow C\}.$$

Proof: By definition,

$$(A \wedge B \rightarrow C)^{\text{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{V}, \underline{G} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{h} [A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{h})) \wedge B_{\text{D}}(\underline{u}; \underline{V}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{h})) \rightarrow C_{\text{D}}(\underline{G}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}); \underline{h})]$$

$$(A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C)^{\text{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{V}, \underline{G} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{h} [A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{h})) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{u}; \underline{V}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{h})) \rightarrow C_{\text{D}}(\underline{G}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}); \underline{h})].$$

Theorem 3.17 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm \mathfrak{A} which does the following. Let \mathcal{P} be some proof of a formula A in EIL_+^{ω} and $\underline{s}_{(\cdot)} \in \text{RTS}[\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})]$ a realizing tuple selection for the set of leaves of \mathcal{P} . Let $q_0 := \max_{A \in \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})} q(\underline{s}_A)$ for $q \in \{d, S, dg, ar, mdg, mar\}$ and $q_0 := q(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$ for $q \in \{qs, var\}$. Let²⁶ $\partial_{\text{MP}} := \partial_{\text{MP}}(\mathcal{P})$, $\partial_{\text{QR}} := \partial_{\text{QR}}(\mathcal{P})$ and $\partial := \partial(\mathcal{P})$. Let $\partial_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ be a number such that for all $A \in \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})$, $\vdash_{\partial_0} \{\underline{s}_A, A\}$. When \mathfrak{A} is presented with \mathcal{P} and $\underline{s}_{(\cdot)}$ at input, it produces as output $(\underline{t}, A) \in RR$ and the following hold :

²⁶ See Section 1.2 for the meaning of $\partial_{\text{MP}}(\mathcal{P})$, $\partial_{\text{QR}}(\mathcal{P})$ and $\partial(\mathcal{P})$. Notice that $\text{QR}\forall$, $\text{QR}\exists$ and MP label edges in our EIL^{ω} -proof-trees \mathcal{P} and QR accumulates both $\text{QR}\forall$ and $\text{QR}\exists$ labels.

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq d_o + \partial_{\text{QR}} + qs_o \cdot (\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0) \quad (17)$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq (S_o + \partial_{\text{QR}} - k_0 + 1) \cdot qs_o^{(\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0)} \quad (18)$$

$$dg(\underline{t}) \leq dg_o \quad \text{and} \quad mdg(\underline{t}) \leq mdg_o + 1 \quad (19)$$

$$ar(\underline{t}) \leq ar_o \quad \text{and} \quad mar(\underline{t}) \leq \max\{var_o, mar_o + 1\} \quad (20)$$

$$\text{EIL}_+^\omega \vdash_{\partial_o + k \partial} \{\underline{t}, A\} \quad (21)$$

Proof: The algorithm proceeds by recursion on the structure of \mathcal{P} , using the algorithms in Lemmas 3.14 and 3.15 as subprocedures at the MP, respectively QR recursion steps; (21) follows immediately. We notice that dg and ar do not increase in the recursion, hence (19) and (20) are clear. Let $\underline{e} \equiv e_1 \dots e_n$ denote paths from some leaf to the root of \mathcal{P} , i.e., $(e_i)_{i \in \overline{1, n}}$ denote edges such that e_1 is incident with a leaf and e_n is incident with the root of \mathcal{P} . Let $(d_i^e, S_i^e)_{i \in \overline{0, n}}$ be a sequence of pairs of natural numbers defined by $(d_o^e, S_o^e) \equiv (d_o, S_o)$ and let

$$(d_i^e, S_i^e) := \begin{cases} (d_{i-1}^e + qs_o, qs_o \cdot S_{i-1}^e + 1), & \text{if } L(e_i) = \text{MP} \\ (d_{i-1}^e + 1, S_{i-1}^e + 1) & , \quad \text{if } L(e_i) \in \text{QR} \\ (d_{i-1}^e, S_{i-1}^e) & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases} .$$

with $i \in \overline{1, n}$. Using (13) it follows that $\max_e d_n^e$ and $\max_e S_n^e$ are upper bounds on d, S respectively. Inequalities (17) and (18) follow now immediately²⁷. \square

Remark 3.18 Let us suppose that only unary (i.e., with $n = 1$) ER_o is allowed in the verifying proof. The n -ary ER_o can be obtained from unary ER_o with a proof of depth proportional with n . It follows that we can upper bound the depths of proofs of lemmas used in verifying MP and QR with quantities proportional with qs_o . In consequence, (21) becomes $\text{EIL}_+^\omega \vdash_{\partial_o + k \cdot (qs_o + \partial)} \{\underline{t}, A\}$.

3.3 Bounds for realizing terms for $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\vee + \text{MK}$ axioms

Remark 3.19 Recall that the formal proofs below are by default in EIL^ω .

Proposition 3.20 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any instance A of CTV , WKV , $\text{WK}\wedge$, PMV , $\text{PM}\wedge$, SYL , EPN , EFQ , TND_o , MK , IP_\vee , AC , there exists a realizing tuple \underline{t} for A^{D} such that :

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq k \quad (22)$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq k \quad (23)$$

$$mdg(\underline{t}) \leq k + vdg(A) + id(A) \quad (24)$$

$$mar(\underline{t}) \leq k + var(A) + qs(A) \cdot (id(A) - k_0 + 2) \quad (25)$$

$$\text{EIL}^\omega \vdash_k \{\underline{t}, A\} \quad (26)$$

²⁷ At (18) an intermediate upper bound is $(S_o + \partial_{\text{QR}} - k_0) \cdot qs_o^{(\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0)} + \sum_{i=0}^{(\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0) - 1} qs_o^i$.

Proof: We treat here SYL as an example, since it is the most complex among the above listed axioms. All remaining axioms are treated in the Appendix of [26]. We have

$$((A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))^{\mathsf{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{X}, \underline{V}, \underline{U}', \underline{H}, \underline{Y}', \underline{G}' \forall \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \left(A_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{X}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'); \underline{y}(\underline{X}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'), \underline{V}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}')) \right) \\ \rightarrow \\ B_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{u}(\underline{X}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'))); \underline{V}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}') \\ \wedge \\ \left(B_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{U}'(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'); \underline{v}'(\underline{U}'(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'), \underline{H}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}')) \right) \\ \rightarrow \\ C_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{g}(\underline{U}'(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'))); \underline{H}(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}') \\ \rightarrow \\ \left(A_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{x}'; \underline{Y}'(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g})(\underline{x}', \underline{h}')) \right) \\ \rightarrow \\ C_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{G}'(\underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g})(\underline{x}'); \underline{h}') \end{array} \right)$$

from

$$((A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C))^{\mathsf{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{U}, \underline{V}', \underline{G} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{v}, \underline{u}', \underline{h}$$

$$((A_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{U}(\underline{x}); \underline{v})) \wedge (B_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{u}'; \underline{V}'(\underline{u}', \underline{h})) \rightarrow C_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{G}(\underline{u}'); \underline{h})))$$

from

$$(A \rightarrow B)^{\mathsf{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{U} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{v} (A_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{v})) \rightarrow B_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{U}(\underline{x}); \underline{v}))$$

$$(B \rightarrow C)^{\mathsf{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{V}', \underline{G} \forall \underline{u}', \underline{h} (B_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{u}'; \underline{V}'(\underline{u}', \underline{h})) \rightarrow C_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{G}(\underline{u}'); \underline{h}))$$

$$(A \rightarrow C)^{\mathsf{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}', \underline{G}' \forall \underline{x}', \underline{h}' (A_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{x}'; \underline{Y}'(\underline{x}', \underline{h}')) \rightarrow C_{\mathsf{D}}(\underline{G}'(\underline{x}'); \underline{h}'))$$

and we can take (below $\{\underline{a}\} = \mathcal{V}_{\mathsf{f}}((A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))$)

$$t_X := \Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'. x'$$

$$t_H := \Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'. h'$$

$$t_{U'} := P \Sigma = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'. u(\underline{x}')$$

$$t_V := P \Sigma = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}'. v'(\underline{u}(\underline{x}'))$$

$$t_{Y'} := P (\Sigma \Sigma) = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}', \underline{h}'. y(\underline{x}', v'(\underline{u}(\underline{x}'), \underline{h}'))$$

$$t_{G'} := P \Sigma = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{y}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}', \underline{g}, \underline{x}'. g(\underline{u}(\underline{x}'))$$

The proofs of (22) and (23) are immediate, for (24) and (25) we use the results in Proposition 2.9 plus (10), respectively (9, 11) and for (26) we use $\mathbf{Ax}\Sigma$, $\mathbf{Ax}P$, $\mathbf{Ax}II$, $\mathbf{Ax}D$ and (1). \square

Proposition 2.10 gives us an algorithm for associating terms $t_{A_{\mathsf{D}}}$ to formulas A such that $\vdash A_{\mathsf{D}} \leftrightarrow t_{A_{\mathsf{D}}} = 0$. Since $\mathcal{V}(t_{A_{\mathsf{D}}}) = \mathcal{V}_{\mathsf{f}}(A_{\mathsf{D}})$ these $t_{A_{\mathsf{D}}}$ are generally not closed, whereas we want to produce closed realizing terms for contractions $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$. We could certainly close these $t_{A_{\mathsf{D}}}$ via the λ -abstraction algorithm

of Definition 2.12. However this would force us to count in our complexity analysis the full size of the quantifier axioms terms and of the terms t_1, t_2 which appear in prime formulas $t_1 = t_2$ of contractions $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$. This is exactly what we want to avoid, remember the comment at the end of Section 1.1, Definition 3.5 and its preceding comment. We therefore give an association of closed terms to all EIL_+^ω formulas such that $\tilde{\cdot}$ constants are used instead of the original building terms.

Proposition 3.21 (Association of closed terms to all EIL_+^ω formulas)

There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an association of terms to EIL_+^ω formulas $A \mapsto t_A^{\text{D}}$ such that for all A (with $\{\underline{a}\} = \mathcal{V}_f(A)$)

$$d(t_A^{\text{D}}) \leq k \cdot ld(A) \quad (27)$$

$$S(t_A^{\text{D}}) \leq k \cdot ls(A) \quad (28)$$

$$mdg(t_A^{\text{D}}) \leq k + vdg(A) + id(A) \quad (29)$$

$$mar(t_A^{\text{D}}) \leq k + var(A) + qs(A) \cdot (id(A) - k_0 + 2) \quad (30)$$

$$\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot ld(A)} A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}; \underline{a}) \leftrightarrow t_A^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a}) = 0. \quad (31)$$

The $\tilde{\cdot}$ constants in (31) are only those corresponding to terms occurring in A .

Proof: Induction on the structure of A . For prime formulas just take $t_{\perp}^{\text{D}} := 1$ and (below $\{\underline{a}_1\} = \mathcal{V}(t_1)$, $\{\underline{a}_2\} = \mathcal{V}(t_2)$ and $\{\underline{a}\} = \mathcal{V}_f(t_1 = t_2)$)

$$t_{t_1=t_2}^{\text{D}} := \Sigma \text{E} \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_2 = \lambda \underline{a}. \text{E} \tilde{t}_1(\underline{a}_1) \tilde{t}_2(\underline{a}_2)$$

and otherwise define (below $\{\tilde{\underline{a}}\} = \{\underline{a}\} \cup \{\underline{a}'\}$)

$$t_{A \wedge B}^{\text{D}} := \Sigma \nu t_A^{\text{D}} t_B^{\text{D}} = \lambda \underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{y}, \underline{v}, \tilde{\underline{a}}. \nu t_A^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a}) t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{a}')$$

$$t_{\exists z A(\underline{a}, z)}^{\text{D}} := P t_{A(\underline{a}, z)}^{\text{D}} = \lambda z, \underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a}. t_{A(\underline{a}, z)}^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a}, z)$$

$$t_{\forall z A(\underline{a}, z)}^{\text{D}} := \Sigma t_{A(\underline{a}, z)}^{\text{D}} = \lambda \underline{X}, z, \underline{y}, \underline{a}. t_{A(\underline{a}, z)}^{\text{D}}(\underline{X}(z), \underline{y}, \underline{a}, z)$$

$$t_{A \rightarrow B}^{\text{D}} := \Sigma \Sigma \text{I} t_A^{\text{D}} t_B^{\text{D}} = \lambda \underline{Y}, \underline{U}, \underline{x}, \underline{v}, \tilde{\underline{a}}. \text{I} t_A^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{v}), \underline{a}) t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{U}(\underline{x}), \underline{v}, \underline{a}')$$

$$\begin{aligned} t_{A \vee B}^{\text{D}} &:= \Sigma \Sigma \nu \text{I} t_A^{\text{D}} t_B^{\text{D}} \text{I} 1 = \\ &= \lambda z, \underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{y}, \underline{v}, \tilde{\underline{a}}. \nu (\text{I} z t_A^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{a})) (\text{I} (\text{I} z 1) t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{a}')) \end{aligned}$$

The inequalities (27) and (28) are immediate, (29) and (30) follow from (10), respectively (9, 11) and (31) follows using the axioms $\text{Ax}\Sigma$, AxI , $\text{Ax}\nu$, AxE . \square

Proposition 3.22 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any instance A of $\text{CT}\wedge$ there exists a realizing tuple \underline{t} for A^{D} such that

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot ld(A)$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot ls(A)$$

$$mdg(\underline{t}) \leq k + vdg(A) + id(A)$$

$$mar(\underline{t}) \leq k + var(A) + qs(A) \cdot (id(A) - k_0 + 3)$$

$$\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot ld(A)} \{\underline{t}, A\}. \quad (32)$$

The $\tilde{\cdot}$ constants in (32) are only those corresponding to terms occurring in A .

Proof: We have

$$(A \equiv B \rightarrow B \wedge B)^{\text{D}} \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{X}', \underline{X}'' \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{y}'' \\ [B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{y}'')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{X}'(\underline{x}); \underline{y}') \wedge B_{\text{D}}(\underline{X}''(\underline{x}); \underline{y}'')]$$

and we can take (here $\{\underline{a}\} = \mathcal{V}_f(A) = \mathcal{V}_f(B)$)

$$t_{X'} \equiv t_{X''} \equiv \Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}. x \\ t_Y \equiv \Sigma \mathcal{D} t_B^{\text{D}} = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{y}'' . \mathcal{D}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')$$

We first prove (32). By **AxD**, there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\begin{cases} \vdash_k t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) = 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}') = \underline{y}'' \\ \vdash_k \text{I} t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) 1 = 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}') = \underline{y}' \end{cases}$$

and by using **ER₀**, there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\begin{cases} \vdash_k t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) = 0 \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{\mathcal{D}}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}'') \\ \vdash_k \text{I} t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) 1 = 0 \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{\mathcal{D}}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}') \end{cases} .$$

By **TND₀** and **AxI**, there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\vdash_k t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) = 0 \vee \text{I} t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) 1 = 0 .$$

From (31), there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\text{EIL}_{\forall}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot \text{ld}(B)} B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}') \leftrightarrow t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}) = 0 ,$$

hence there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\begin{cases} \text{EIL}_{\forall}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot \text{ld}(B)} B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}') \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{\mathcal{D}}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}'') \\ \text{EIL}_{\forall}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot \text{ld}(B)} \neg B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}') \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{\mathcal{D}}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}') \end{cases} .$$

Since there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all A, B and C ,

$$A \vee \neg A, A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C, \neg A \rightarrow B \rightarrow A \vdash_k B \rightarrow A \wedge C ,$$

we finally obtain that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\text{EIL}_{\forall}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot \text{ld}(B)} B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{\mathcal{D}}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}') \wedge B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}'') .$$

Since there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all B ,

$$\vdash_k t_Y(\underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{y}'') = \mathcal{D}(t_B^{\text{D}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{a}), \underline{y}'', \underline{y}')$$

$$\vdash_k t_{X'}(\underline{a}, \underline{x}) = x$$

$$\vdash_k t_{X''}(\underline{a}, \underline{x}) = x ,$$

we obtain from (1) that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that

$$\text{EIL}_{\forall}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot \text{ld}(B)} B_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}; t_Y(\underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{y}'')) \rightarrow B_{\text{D}}(t_{X'}(\underline{a}, \underline{x}); \underline{y}'') \wedge B_{\text{D}}(t_{X''}(\underline{a}, \underline{x}); \underline{y}') .$$

This gives (32). The other inequalities follow directly from Proposition 3.21.

Proposition 3.23 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for every instance $A(\underline{s})$ of **QA \forall** or **QA \exists** there exists a realizing tuple \underline{t} for A^{D} such that :

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq k + fd(A), \text{ when } A(\underline{s}) \in \mathbf{QA}\forall \text{ and} \quad (33)$$

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq k, \text{ when } A(\underline{s}) \in \mathbf{QA}\exists$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq k + fd(A), \text{ when } A(\underline{s}) \in \mathbf{QA}\forall \text{ and} \quad (34)$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq k, \text{ when } A(\underline{s}) \in \mathbf{QA}\exists$$

$$mdg(\underline{t}) \leq k + vdg(A) + id(A) \quad (35)$$

$$mar(\underline{t}) \leq k + var(A) + qs(A) \cdot (id(A) - k_0 + 2) \quad (36)$$

$$\mathbf{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_k \{ \underline{t}, A \} \quad (37)$$

The $\tilde{\cdot}$ constants in (37) are only those corresponding to terms occurring in A .

Proof: Let $A(\underline{s}) \equiv \forall z B(z, \underline{a}'') \rightarrow B(\underline{s}, \underline{a}'')$ be an instance of $\mathbf{QA}\forall$, s free for z in B . Let $\underline{a}' \equiv \mathcal{V}(\underline{s})$ and $\underline{a} \equiv \underline{a}', \underline{a}'' = \mathcal{V}_i(A(\underline{s}))$. Also $\underline{s} \equiv s_1, \dots, s_n$ and let $\underline{a}_i \equiv \mathcal{V}(s_i)$ for $i \in \overline{1, n}$. We have that $(\forall z B(z) \rightarrow B(\underline{s}))^p$ is given by

$$\exists \underline{Z}, \underline{Y}, \underline{X} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} [B_D(\underline{x}(\underline{Z}(\underline{x}, \underline{y})); \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}); \underline{Z}(\underline{x}, \underline{y})) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{X}(\underline{x}); \underline{y}; \underline{s})]$$

and we can take (recall from Definition 3.10 that $\tilde{s}_i(\underline{a}_i) = s_i$)

$$t_{Z_i} \equiv \Sigma' \tilde{s}_i = [\lambda u_i, \underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}. u_i(\underline{a}_i)] \tilde{s}_i = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}. \tilde{s}_i(\underline{a}_i)$$

$$t_Y \equiv \Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}. \underline{y}$$

$$t_X \equiv P \Sigma \tilde{\underline{s}} = [\lambda \underline{u}, \underline{a}, \underline{x}. x(u_1(\underline{a}_1), \dots, u_n(\underline{a}_n))] \tilde{\underline{s}} \\ = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}. x(\tilde{s}_1(\underline{a}_1), \dots, \tilde{s}_n(\underline{a}_n))$$

From Proposition 2.9, $typ(u_i) = typ(\tilde{s}_i)$ and (12) it immediately follows that

$$dg(\Sigma') \leq 2 + \max\{dg(\underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}), dg(s_i)\}$$

$$ar(\Sigma') \leq 1 + |\underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}| + ar(s_i)$$

$$dg(\Pi) \leq 1 + dg(\underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y})$$

$$ar(\Pi) \leq |\underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}| + ar(\underline{y})$$

$$dg(P) \leq 1 + dg(\Sigma) \leq 3 + \max\{dg(\underline{a}, \underline{x}), dg(\underline{s})\}$$

$$ar(P) \leq 1 + ar(\Sigma) \leq 2 + |\underline{a}, \underline{x}| + |\underline{s}| + ar(\underline{x})$$

and (35), (36) now follow immediately from (10), respectively (9, 11), also using that $|\underline{z}| = |\underline{s}|$ and $typ(z_i) = typ(s_i)$. The inequalities (33) and (34) are immediate from $|\underline{s}| \leq fd(A)$. The proof of (37) uses the fact (which follows from (1)) that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $A(\underline{s})$,

$$\vdash_k B_D(\underline{x}(\tilde{s}_1(\underline{a}_1) \dots \tilde{s}_n(\underline{a}_n)); \underline{y}; \tilde{s}_1(\underline{a}_1) \dots \tilde{s}_n(\underline{a}_n)) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{x}(\tilde{s}_1(\underline{a}_1) \dots \tilde{s}_n(\underline{a}_n)); \underline{y}; \underline{s}).$$

Let $A(\underline{s}) \equiv B(\underline{s}, \underline{a}'') \rightarrow \exists z B(z, \underline{a}'')$ be an instance of $\mathbf{QA}\exists$, s free for z in B . The tuples \underline{a}' , \underline{a} and \underline{a}_i below are defined like in the $\mathbf{QA}\forall$ case above. We have

$$(B(\underline{s}) \rightarrow \exists z B(z))^p \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{Z}, \underline{X} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} [B_D(\underline{x}; \underline{Y}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}); \underline{s}) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{X}(\underline{x}); \underline{y}; \underline{Z}(\underline{x}))]$$

and we can take (recall from Definition 3.10 that $\tilde{s}_i(\underline{a}_i) = s_i$)

$$\begin{aligned}
t_Y &::= \Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}. y \\
t_{Z_i} &::= \Sigma \tilde{s}_i = (\lambda u_i, \underline{a}, \underline{x}. u_i(\underline{a}_i)) \tilde{s}_i = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}. \tilde{s}_i(\underline{a}_i) \\
t_X &::= \Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}. x
\end{aligned}$$

The inequalities (33) and (34) are trivial, (35), (36) follow with an argument similar to the one in the $\mathbf{QA}\forall$ case. For (37) we use the fact (which follows from (1)) that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all $A(\underline{s})$,

$$\vdash_k B_D(\underline{x}; \underline{y}; s_1, \dots, s_n) \rightarrow B_D(\underline{x}; \underline{y}; \tilde{s}_1(\underline{a}_1), \dots, \tilde{s}_n(\underline{a}_n)) .$$

Notation 3.24 We will denote by $qs_o(\mathcal{P}) ::= \max\{2, qs(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))\}$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
vdg_o(\mathcal{P}) &::= vdg(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) & var_o(\mathcal{P}) &::= var(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \\
fd_1(\mathcal{P}) &::= fd(\mathbf{QA}\forall \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) & id_o(\mathcal{P}) &::= id(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \\
ld_1(\mathcal{P}) &::= ld(\mathbf{CT}\wedge \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) & ls_1(\mathcal{P}) &::= ls(\mathbf{CT}\wedge \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})) \\
fid_o(\mathcal{P}) &::= fid(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) & ls_o(\mathcal{P}) &::= ls(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))
\end{aligned}$$

We will omit \mathcal{P} when this will be clear from the context.

Theorem 3.25 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any proof \mathcal{P} in $\mathbf{EIL}_+^\omega + \mathbf{AC} + \mathbf{IP}_\forall + \mathbf{MK}$ and any non-realizer-free $A \in \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})$ there exists \underline{t}_A such that $\underline{t}_A \text{ Dr } A$ and the following hold:

- if A is not an instance of $(\mathbf{CT}\wedge, \mathbf{QA}\forall)$ then

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
d(\underline{t}_A) &\leq k \\
S(\underline{t}_A) &\leq k \\
mdg(\underline{t}_A) &\leq k + vdg_o + id_o \\
mar(\underline{t}_A) &\leq k + var_o + qs_o \cdot id_o \\
\mathbf{EIL}_\forall^\omega &\vdash_k \{ \underline{t}_A, A \}
\end{aligned} \right\} \quad (38)$$

- if A is an instance of $\mathbf{CT}\wedge$, (38) holds except that $\mathbf{EIL}_\forall^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot ld_1} \{ \underline{t}_A, A \}$, $d(\underline{t}_A) \leq k \cdot ld_1$ and $S(\underline{t}_A) \leq k \cdot ls_1$;
- if A is an instance of $\mathbf{QA}\forall$, (38) holds except that $d(\underline{t}_A) \leq k + fd_1$ and $S(\underline{t}_A) \leq k + fd_1$.

The $\tilde{\cdot}$ constants of $\mathbf{EIL}_\forall^\omega$ above²⁸ are only those required by the terms \underline{t}_A and hence are limited to those corresponding to terms occurring in A .

Proof: Follows immediately from Propositions 3.20, 3.22, 3.23 and $k_0 \geq 10$.

Theorem 3.26 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of a formula A in $\mathbf{EIL}_+^\omega + \mathbf{AC} + \mathbf{IP}_\forall + \mathbf{MK}$ it produces as output \underline{t} such that $\underline{t} \text{ Dr } A$ and, with the notations 3.24 and abbreviations²⁹ $\partial_{\text{MP}} ::= \partial_{\text{MP}}(\mathcal{P})$, $\partial_{\text{QR}} ::= \partial_{\text{QR}}(\mathcal{P})$ and $\partial ::= \partial(\mathcal{P})$, the following hold:

²⁸ See also Definition 3.10 and Remark 3.11.

²⁹ See Footnote 26 for the meaning of $\partial_{\text{MP}}(\mathcal{P})$, $\partial_{\text{QR}}(\mathcal{P})$ and $\partial(\mathcal{P})$.

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot ld_1 + \partial_{\text{QR}} + qs_o \cdot \partial_{\text{MP}} \quad (39)$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq (k \cdot ls_1 + \partial_{\text{QR}}) \cdot qs_o^{\partial_{\text{MP}}} \quad (40)$$

$$mdg(\underline{t}) \leq k + vdg_o + id_o \quad (41)$$

$$mar(\underline{t}) \leq k + var_o + qs_o \cdot id_o \quad (42)$$

$$\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ld_1 + \partial)} \{ \underline{t}, A \} \quad (43)$$

The \sim constants of EIL_v^ω in (43) are among those corresponding to terms occurring in the leaves of \mathcal{P} .

Proof: Just a synthesis of the results in Theorems 3.17 and 3.25. For (39) and (40) we use that $fd_1 \leq qs_o$ and $k_0 \geq 10$, hence

$$\begin{aligned} \max\{k \cdot ld_1, k + fd_1\} + \partial_{\text{QR}} + qs_o \cdot (\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0) &\leq k \cdot ld_1 + \partial_{\text{QR}} + qs_o \cdot \partial_{\text{MP}} \\ (\max\{k \cdot ls_1, k + fd_1\} + qs_o + \partial_{\text{QR}} - k_0 + 1) \cdot qs_o^{(\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0)} &\leq (k \cdot ls_1 + \partial_{\text{QR}}) \cdot qs_o^{\partial_{\text{MP}}} \end{aligned}$$

Notation 3.27 We will denote by

$$wd_1(\mathcal{P}) \quad := \quad \max\{wd(\text{CT} \wedge \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})), td(\text{QA} \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))\}$$

$$ws_1(\mathcal{P}) \quad := \quad \max\{ws(\text{CT} \wedge \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P})), ts(\text{QA} \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))\}$$

$$cdg_1(\mathcal{P}) \quad := \quad cdg((\text{CT} \wedge \cup \text{QA}) \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$$

$$car_1(\mathcal{P}) \quad := \quad car((\text{CT} \wedge \cup \text{QA}) \cap \text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$$

We will omit \mathcal{P} when this will be clear from the context.

Remark 3.28 Theorem 3.26 holds also when the terms t_1, t_2 which build prime formulas $t_1 = t_2$ of contractions $\text{CT} \wedge$ and the quantifier axioms terms \underline{s} are counted as components of the global realizer (instead of just taking the associated constants $\tilde{t}_1, \tilde{t}_2, \tilde{s}$). We only need to use wd_1, ws_1 instead of ld_1, ls_1 and (41), (42) must be replaced with

$$\begin{aligned} mdg(\underline{t}) &\leq \max\{k + vdg_o + id_o, cdg_1\} \\ mar(\underline{t}) &\leq \max\{k + var_o + qs_o \cdot id_o, car_1\} \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.29 There exists $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of a formula $A \equiv \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} B(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$ with $\{\underline{x}, \underline{y}\} = \mathcal{V}_1(B)$ in $\text{EIL}_v^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_v + \text{MK}$ it produces as output \underline{t}_Y such that

$$\text{EIL}_v^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_v + \text{MK} \vdash_{k' \cdot \max\{ld_1 + \partial, ld(B)\}} \forall \underline{x} B(\underline{x}, \underline{t}_Y(\underline{x}))$$

Proof: In this case we have $A^D \equiv \exists \underline{Y}, \underline{U} \forall \underline{x}, \underline{v} B_D(\underline{U}(\underline{x}); \underline{v}; \underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x}))$, hence by Theorem 3.26 we get $\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ld_1 + \partial)} \forall \underline{v} B_D(\underline{t}_U(\underline{x}); \underline{v}; \underline{x}, \underline{t}_Y(\underline{x}))$ and further

$$\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ld_1 + \partial)} \exists \underline{u} \forall \underline{v} B_D(\underline{u}; \underline{v}; \underline{x}, \underline{t}_Y(\underline{x})) \quad [\equiv B^D(\underline{x}, \underline{t}_Y(\underline{x}))] \quad (44)$$

It can be easily proved by induction on $ld(B)$ that there exists $k'' \in \mathbb{N}$ such

that for all formulas B ,

$$\text{EIL}^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\forall + \text{MK} \vdash_{k'' \cdot \text{ld}(B)} B \leftrightarrow B^{\text{D}} \quad (45)$$

The conclusion now follows immediately by combining (44) and (45). \square

Remark 3.30 If λ -abstraction were treated as primitive and Σ , P , Π were defined in terms of it then (40) would still hold. Indeed, let Σ be defined by $\lambda x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}. x(z_0, y_1(z^1), \underline{z}_1, \dots, y_m(z^m), \underline{z}_m)$. We would have $S(\Sigma) \leq 2 \cdot |x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}|^2$ and on the other hand $|x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}| \leq qs_o$ for all Σ which appear in \underline{t} . Similarly (40) would still hold if only Schönfinkel Σ and Π were allowed³⁰. This follows from the λ -abstraction Definition 2.12. There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that at most $k \cdot |x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}|^2 \leq k \cdot qs_o^2$ tuple-Schönfinkel Σ and Π are needed to simulate our Σ and any of these tuple-Schönfinkel Σ and Π can be defined³¹ in terms of at most $k \cdot |x, \underline{y}, \underline{z}| \leq k \cdot qs_o$ usual Schönfinkel Σ and Π .

Remark 3.31 If we allowed only unary (see Remark 3.18) ER_0 in the verifying proof then (43) would become $\text{EIL}_\forall^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (\text{ld}_1 + qs_o + \partial)} \{\underline{t}, A\}$.

Remark 3.32 The algorithm of Theorem 3.26 can be applied to complete proofs \mathcal{P} in $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\forall + \text{MK}$ after a preprocessing phase to \mathcal{P}^{tr} via the procedure of Definition 3.8. Since $\text{IEL}^\omega \vdash A \leftrightarrow A^{\text{D}}$ for any realizer-free assumption A produced by the realizer-free-elimination procedure, the verifying proof can use the same assumptions as \mathcal{P}^{tr} . A complete verifying proof in $\text{EIL}_\forall^\omega$ can be produced by (re)including the parts of \mathcal{P} which were eliminated in the preprocessing phase.

3.4 Better bounds on the size of extracted terms

Smaller terms can be extracted if we use a simplification provided by the definitional equation of Σ . The size of the extracted terms becomes linear in the size of the proof at input. Nevertheless the use of extra Σ 's brings an increase in type complexity. This can be avoided by using a more economical representation of the realizing tuples by means of pointers to parts which are shared by all members of a tuple. In such a setting all inequalities of Theorem 3.26 remain valid. The simplification is based on the observation that all terms t_4 produced by MP (see Lemma 3.14) contain a common part. Namely $\underline{t}_1, \underline{Q}$, which is somehow redundant to count for all t_4 in \underline{t}_4 - and this is what we have done so far. We give below a small example. Consider the following proof of C from A , $A \rightarrow B$ and $B \rightarrow C$: $\{\{A, A \rightarrow B\} \vdash B, B \rightarrow C\} \vdash C$. Let $\underline{t}_1 \text{ Dr } A$,

³⁰ See Definition 2.4 for the notions of ‘‘tuple-Schönfinkel’’ and ‘‘Schönfinkel’’ combinators Σ . Also for ‘‘Schönfinkel’’ projectors Π .

³¹ For Σ the proof is by induction on $|\underline{z}|$ of Definition 2.4. We have $\Sigma x y z \underline{z}' = x z \underline{z}' (y z \underline{z}') = \Sigma' (xz) (yz) \underline{z}'$ hence $\Sigma = \lambda x, y, z. \Sigma' (xz) (yz)$. For Π we can use the iterated λ -abstraction $\lambda z_1. (\dots \lambda z_n. z_i)$.

$(\underline{t}_2, \underline{t}_3)$ Dr $(A \rightarrow B)$ and $(\underline{t}_5, \underline{t}_6)$ Dr $(B \rightarrow C)$. The algorithm in Lemma 3.14 first produces \underline{t}_4 Dr B defined as $t_4 \equiv \Sigma(t_3, \underline{t}_1, \underline{0})$ and then produces the realizing tuple for C , namely \underline{t}_7 Dr C defined as

$$\begin{aligned} t_7 &\equiv \Sigma(t_6, t_4, \underline{0}') \\ &\equiv \Sigma(t_6, \Sigma(t_3^1, \underline{t}_1, \underline{0}), \dots, \Sigma(t_3^{|\underline{t}_3|}, \underline{t}_1, \underline{0}), \underline{0}') \end{aligned}$$

We immediately notice that the tuple $\underline{t}_1, \underline{0}$ is common to all terms $t_4 \in \underline{t}_4$ and is multiply included in \underline{t}_7 . We describe below how it is possible to extract realizing terms such that the common parts which were previously multiply included are now counted only once for all the terms of a tuple.

Definition 3.33 For a proof \mathcal{P} we define three *size* measures, denoted $S_i(\mathcal{P})$, $S_c(\mathcal{P})$ and $S_m(\mathcal{P})$, which are to be used in the semi-intuitionistic (i.e., what we have already described), the classical and in the monotone case respectively (the last two cases will be treated in Section 4 below). The measure $S_m(\mathcal{P})$ will be used also for the time upper bounds (see Section 3.5) in all cases. All three size measures are obtained by adding the following to the sum of $qs(A \rightarrow B)$ for all MP-right-premises $A \rightarrow B$ plus the sum of $qs(C)$ for all QR-conclusions $qs(C)$ (below A are non-realizer-free leaves):

- $S_i(\mathcal{P})$: the sum of $qs(A)$ for non-CT $\wedge A$ plus the sum of $ls(A)$ for CT $\wedge A$;
- $S_c(\mathcal{P})$: the sum of $ls(A)$ for all non-realizer-free leaves A ;
- $S_m(\mathcal{P})$: the sum of $qs(A)$ for all non-realizer-free leaves A .

It is immediate that $S_m(\mathcal{P}) \leq S_i(\mathcal{P}) \leq S_c(\mathcal{P})$, which reflects the fact that the monotone functional interpretation gives a simpler treatment of contraction than Gödel's functional interpretation and that the pre-processing negative translation brings an increase in complexity for Gödel's functional interpretation (but not for the monotone functional interpretation – see Theorem 4.20).

Definition 3.34 For the tuples $\underline{t} \equiv t_1, \dots, t_n$ extracted by the algorithm of Theorem 3.26 we define a *size* measure, denoted $Sz'(\underline{t})$ in the following way. There exists $m \geq 0$ and a tuple \underline{t}' such that each $t_i \in \underline{t}$ is either of shape $t_i \equiv P_1^i(\dots P_m^i(t^i))$ or of shape $t_i \equiv P_1^i(\dots P_m^i(t^i(\underline{t}')))$ where $\{P_j^i\}_{j=1}^m$ and t^i are *characteristic* to t_i and \underline{t}' is *common* to all t_i in the corresponding subset of \underline{t} . It is possible that $m = 0$ and/or the aforementioned subset is \emptyset . We define

$$Sz'(\underline{t}) := m \cdot |\underline{t}| + \Sigma_{\nu \in \underline{t}'} S(t') + \Sigma_{i=1}^n S(t^i).$$

Lemma 3.35 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant s.t. for every term $P_1(P_2 x)$ with P_1 and P_2 permutations there exists a permutation P_3 s.t. $\vdash_k P_1(P_2 x) = P_3 x$.

Proof: By AxP for P_1 we obtain $(P_1(P_2 x))(z^p) = P_2(x, z)$. We can now apply AxP for P_2 and we distinguish two cases:

- $z \equiv \underline{u}^p, v$ and $P_2(x, \underline{u}^p) = x(\underline{u})$ hence $P_2(x, z) = x(\underline{u}, v) \equiv x(z^{p''})$ and the last term is equal to $P_3(x, z^p)$ via a definitional equation for P_3 .
- $z, y \equiv \underline{u}^p$ and $P_2(x, \underline{u}^p) = x(\underline{u})$ hence $(P_1(P_2 x))(z^p, y) = x(\underline{u})$ and the last term is equal to $P_3(x, z^p, y)$ via a definitional equation for P_3 .

Lemma 3.36 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any term $P_1(\dots(P_m x))$ with P_1, \dots, P_m permutations there exists a permutation P_0 such that $\vdash_{k \cdot m} P_1(\dots(P_m x)) = P_0 x$.

Proof: Repeated applications of Lemma 3.35 and transitivity of equality. \square

Theorem 3.37 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of a formula A in $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\vee + \text{MK}$ it produces as output \underline{t} such that $\underline{t} \text{ Dr } A$ with (43) and (below $\#_{\text{MP}}$ denotes the number of MP instances in \mathcal{P})

$$Sz'(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot S_i(\mathcal{P}) \quad (46)$$

$$3 \#_{\text{MP}} \leq d(\underline{t}) \quad (47)$$

$$\partial_{\text{MP}} - k_0 \leq mdg(\underline{t}) \quad (48)$$

$$3 \#_{\text{MP}} \leq mar(\underline{t}) \quad (49)$$

Proof: The proof of (46) is by structural induction on \mathcal{P} . For axioms A we use the same realizing terms as before. When A is not an instance of $\text{CT}\wedge$ or $\text{QA}\forall$, (46) follows from $|\underline{t}| \leq qs(A)$. If $A \equiv B \rightarrow B \wedge B$ then we notice that t_B^{D} of Proposition 3.22 is common to all realizing t_Y , hence using (9) and (28),

$$Sz'(t_{X'}, t_{X''}, t_Y) \leq k' \cdot |Y, X', X''| + S(t_B^{\text{D}}) \leq k' \cdot qs(A) + k'' \cdot ls(A) \leq k \cdot ls(A)$$

If $A \equiv \forall z B(z, a'') \rightarrow B(\underline{s}, a'')$ then the tuple \tilde{s} of Proposition 3.23 is common to all realizing t_X , hence $Sz'(t_{\underline{Z}}, t_Y, t_X) \leq k' \cdot |\underline{Z}, Y, X| + |\tilde{s}| \leq k \cdot qs(A)$. There is nothing to prove for instances of EXP and IMP , see Lemma 3.16. For QR instances the proof is trivial using Lemma 3.15. For instances of MP we use Lemma 3.14 and further improve the result by applying a number of Σ definitional equations. The algorithm in Lemma 3.14 is presented with the tuples \underline{t}_3 and \underline{t}_1 , represented ³² as

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} t_3 \equiv P'_1(\dots P'_{m'}(t_0(\underline{t}))) = P'(t_0(\underline{t})) \\ t_1^i \equiv P_1^i(\dots P_m^i(t^i(\underline{t}))) = P_i(t^i(\underline{t})) \end{array} \right\} \text{ Using Lemma 3.36}$$

and it produces (we assumed without loss of generality that $1 \leq m', m$)

$$\begin{aligned} t_4 &\equiv \Sigma_1(P'(t_0(\underline{t})), P_1(t^1(\underline{t})), \dots, P_n(t^n(\underline{t})), \underline{0}) = \\ &= \Sigma_2(\Sigma_1, P', P_1, \dots, P_n, t_0(\underline{t}), t^1(\underline{t}), \dots, t^n(\underline{t}), \underline{0}) = \\ &= \Sigma_3(\Sigma_2, t_0, t^1, \dots, t^n, \underline{t}, \underline{t}, P', P_1, \dots, P_n, \Sigma_1, \underline{0}) = \\ &= P(\Sigma_3, \Sigma_2, P', t_0, t^1, \dots, t^n, \underline{t}, \underline{t}, P_1, \dots, P_n, \Sigma_1, \underline{0}) \end{aligned}$$

³² In the case when \underline{t}_3 or \underline{t}_1 comes from a (sub)proof which involved $\text{CT}\wedge$ or $\text{QA}\forall$ and no MP then we have an exception in the sense that only a part of the terms in the tuple share a common tuple, see also Definition 3.34. The reason should be obvious from the above treatment of $\text{CT}\wedge$ and $\text{QA}\forall$. The final shape of the term t_4 in (50) below is nevertheless not affected by this technical exception. After an MP all terms of the realizing tuple share a common tuple.

hence we can actually take

$$t_4 \equiv (P \Sigma_3 \Sigma_2 P' t_0)(t^1, \dots, t^n, \underline{t}, \underline{t}, P_1, \dots, P_n, \Sigma_1, \underline{0}) \quad (50)$$

where $t^1, \dots, t^n, \underline{t}, \underline{t}, P_1, \dots, P_n, \Sigma_1, \underline{0}$ is common to all $t_4 \in \underline{t}_4$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} Sz'(\underline{t}_4) &\leq |P, \Sigma_3, \Sigma_2| \cdot |\underline{t}_4| + |\Sigma_1, \underline{0}| + Sz'(\underline{t}_3) + Sz'(\underline{t}_1) \\ &\leq 3 \cdot qs(A \rightarrow B) + Sz'(\underline{t}_3) + Sz'(\underline{t}_1), \end{aligned}$$

where for the last inequality we used that $|\underline{t}_4| + \max\{1, |\underline{0}|\} \leq qs(A \rightarrow B)$.

In order to prove the remaining inequalities it is useful to denote by $\text{cp}(\underline{t})$ the common tuple in the canonical representation of the tuple \underline{t} (i.e., \underline{t}'). We have $|\text{cp}(\underline{t}_1)| + |\text{cp}(\underline{t}_3)| + 1 \leq |\text{cp}(\underline{t}_4)|$ because at least the constant Σ_1 appears new at each MP application. It follows that for the final extracted tuple \underline{t} we have $\#_{\text{MP}} \leq |\text{cp}(\underline{t})|$. Now (47) and (49) are immediate because $|\text{cp}(\underline{t})| \leq d(\underline{t})$ and $|\text{cp}(\underline{t})| \leq \text{mar}(\underline{t})$. Also (48) is immediate once we notice that $dg(\text{cp}(\underline{t}))$ increases by at least 1 at each MP application; this is due to the fact that t^i enters $\text{cp}(\underline{t}_4)$ and $dg(t^i) \geq dg(\underline{t}) + 1$.

The proof that (43) still holds is by straightforward computations. \square

We notice that the price to pay for having smaller realizing terms is an increase in type complexity. This is unavoidable with the actual representation of terms. The maximal degree of the realizing term increases by at least 1 at each MP application. This is due to the fact that subterms from the private part, which have degree greater by at least 1 than the maximal degree of a subterm from the common part now enter the new common part. We can avoid the increase in type complexity only by modifying the term representation such that the terms in the common part are multiply pointed from each member of the realizing tuple. In this way Σ_3 is no longer needed for feeding the common part to each member of the realizing tuple. The increase in degree was due exactly to these Σ_3 's. We can now state the following theorem, where Sz is defined in the new pointer setting similarly to Sz' , i.e., by counting common parts only once.

Theorem 3.38 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of a formula A in $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\vee + \text{MK}$ it produces as output \underline{t} such that $\underline{t} \text{ Dr } A$, $Sz(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot S_i(\mathcal{P})$ and the inequalities of Theorem 3.26 all hold.

Remark 3.39 The following inequalities are immediate:

$$\begin{aligned} S(t) &\leq Sz(\underline{t}) \\ S_i(\mathcal{P}) &\leq (ls_1(\mathcal{P}) + qs_0(\mathcal{P})) \cdot 2^{\partial(\mathcal{P})} \leq 3 \cdot ls_1(\mathcal{P}) \cdot qs_0(\mathcal{P})^{\partial(\mathcal{P})}. \end{aligned}$$

They just express the fact that the new bounds on size are indeed better.

Remark 3.40 We will tacitly assume in the sequel that terms are represented with pointers in the manner described above.

3.5 Space and time complexity of the functional interpretation algorithm

In a real-world implementation of the algorithm of Theorem 3.26 we ought to count also the size of types associated to the EIL^ω -constants as part of the size of the realizing terms. This *real-size* of the extracted terms actually gives also the time complexity of the algorithm³³ since what this does is only writing down the extracted terms.

In order to compute the real-size we need to decide upon some representation of types. It turns out that the most efficient is to use *dags*³⁴. We choose dags instead of normal binary trees³⁵ because dags allow the reuse of existent types via pointers. Hence given the input proof \mathcal{P} we start with the types of all variables and constants which appear in \mathcal{P} and build the types of constants which are produced by functional interpretation. We therefore need to count for the real-size only the number of new type-nodes which are created in order to represent the type of a newly created constant c . By straightforward computations it follows that there exists $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any formula C , the number of new type-nodes required by $\mathfrak{V}_b(C^d)$ is at most $k' \cdot qs(C)^2 \cdot ls(C)$. Hence the number of new type-nodes required by the new variables created in the interpretation of the leaves, right MP-premises and QR-conclusions of \mathcal{P} is at most $k' \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m(\mathcal{P})$. Then we can immediately see that whenever a new constant c of type $\underline{\sigma}\tau$ is created by the algorithm of Theorem 3.26, the types $\underline{\sigma}, \tau$ are immediately available from the existent terms or variables created by the functional interpretation. There exists $k'' \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any such new constant c created at a leaf C , instance of MP-right-premise C or instance of QR-conclusion C of \mathcal{P} , at most $k'' \cdot |\underline{\sigma}|^2 \leq k'' \cdot qs(C)^2$ new type-nodes are necessary to represent the type of c . Hence overall we have at most $k'' \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m(\mathcal{P})$ newly created type-nodes in this category. We can now state the following theorem.

Theorem 3.41 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that the time overhead of the algorithm in Theorem 3.38 is upper bounded by $k \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m(\mathcal{P})$.

³³The space complexity follows immediately by the principle that the space overhead of an algorithm is always less than its time overhead.

³⁴Here “dag” is the usual acronym for “directed acyclic graph”.

³⁵The representation with binary trees is in fact equivalent to the usual parenthesized-strings representation.

4 Immediate extensions of the quantitative analysis

4.1 Treatment of classical EIL^ω . The system $\text{ECL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0$

So far we have considered only semi-intuitionistic systems. We describe in the sequel how our complexity analysis can easily be adapted to classical logic (and theories) as well by applying it to the image of the classical system under a suitable negative translation. The so-called *negative* or *double-negation* translations have all in common the fact that the image of a formula is (intuitionistically equivalent to) a negative formula³⁶. Negative translations were initially produced by Gödel [21], Gentzen, Kolmogorov, Glivenko. We use below a variant due to Kuroda of Gödel's translation which we further adapt in order to handle blocks of universal quantifiers.

Definition 4.1 (Kuroda's N-translation) To a formula A one associates $A^N \equiv \neg\neg A^*$, where A^* is defined by structural induction on A as follows:

- $A^* := A$, if A is a prime formula
- $(A \square B)^* := A^* \square B^*$, where $\square \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$
- $(\exists x A(x))^* := \exists x (A(x))^*$
- $(\forall \underline{x} A(\underline{x}))^* := \forall \underline{x} \neg\neg (A(\underline{x}))^*$, where $A(\underline{x}) \not\equiv \forall y B(y, \underline{x})$

Remark 4.2 A^N is realizer-free iff A is realizer-free.

N-translation followed by functional interpretation gives a proof interpretation for theories based on classical logic³⁷. Remark 4.2 implies that given a (complete) proof \mathcal{P} in some classical system the following are equivalent:

- carry out the composed³⁸ interpretation to \mathcal{P}^{tr} ;
- first do the N-translation of \mathcal{P} , then apply the realizer-free-elimination algorithm of Definition 3.8 and finally carry out the functional interpretation of $(\mathcal{P}^N)^{\text{tr}}$.

The former approach is obviously more efficient: one does not carry out the N-translation of parts which subsequently get eliminated.

³⁶ By definition, a formula is called *negative*, respectively *existential-free* if it is built up from negated prime, respectively prime formulas by means of \perp , \wedge , \rightarrow and \forall only. In our system negative formulas are trivially existential-free. On the other hand, $\text{EIL}^\omega \vdash s =_o t \leftrightarrow \neg\neg(s =_o t)$ for any prime formula $s =_o t$ and hence also every existential-free formula is equivalent to a negative formula.

³⁷ Details of the use of negative translation in combination with functional interpretation may be found, e.g., in [3,29,39].

³⁸ In fact parts which are produced by N-translation also need to be transformed.

Let $\text{ECL}^\omega, \text{ECL}_+^\omega$ be the classical versions³⁹ of $\text{EIL}^\omega, \text{EIL}_+^\omega$ respectively, obtained by replacing TND_0 with the full tertium-non-datur schema $A \vee \neg A$. Let

$$\text{AC}_0 : \quad \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{Y} \forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x}))$$

be the quantifier-free axiom-of-choice (with \underline{x} and \underline{y} of arbitrary types).

Remark 4.3 The proof-size measure S_c is introduced in Definition 3.33.

Proposition 4.4 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of a formula A in $\text{ECL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0$ it produces as output a proof $\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}$ of $A^{\mathbb{N}}$ in $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{MK}$ and the following hold :

- (1) $\partial(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \leq k \cdot \partial(\mathcal{P})$ and $S_i(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \leq k \cdot S_c(\mathcal{P})$;
- (2)
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} qs_o(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \leq qs(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}})) \leq k \cdot qs(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) \stackrel{(13)}{=} k \cdot qs_o(\mathcal{P}) \\ ld_1(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \leq ls_1(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \leq ls(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}})) \leq k \cdot ls(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) \stackrel{(13)}{=} k \cdot ls_o(\mathcal{P}) \end{array} \right.$$
- (3) $id_o(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \leq k \cdot fid_o(\mathcal{P})$; we must use $fid_o(\mathcal{P})$ because in the \mathbb{N} -translation a \forall brings two \neg , hence in fact two \rightarrow due to our treatment of negation;
- (4) no new variable or constant appears in $\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}$, hence (using (14))

$$vdg(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}})) \leq vdg(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = vdg(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$$

$$var(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}})) \leq var(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = var(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$$

$$cdg(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}})) \leq cdg(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = cdg(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$$

$$car(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}})) \leq car(\text{Vt}(\mathcal{P})) = car(\text{Lv}(\mathcal{P}))$$

Proof: The algorithm proceeds by recursion on the structure of \mathcal{P} , see [29] for details. The proof of its correctness makes use of the following schemata of intuitionistic logic :

$$\neg\neg(A \rightarrow B) \leftrightarrow (A \rightarrow \neg\neg B) \leftrightarrow (\neg\neg A \rightarrow \neg\neg B) \tag{51}$$

$$\neg\neg\forall \underline{x} \neg\neg A(\underline{x}) \leftrightarrow \forall \underline{x} \neg\neg A(\underline{x}) \tag{52}$$

$$A \rightarrow \neg\neg A \tag{53}$$

These schemata have proofs in which the axiom instances and intermediate formulas have size (depth) at most linear in the size (depth) of the formula to be proved. We only need to further notice that there exists $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that the following hold :

- the \mathbb{N} -translation of any non-realizer-free axiom scheme B of $\text{ECL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0$ is a theorem in $\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{MK}$ whose proof \mathcal{P}' has the same structure for all instances of B , in particular the same depth; all formulas which appear in \mathcal{P}' have size (depth) upper bounded by k' times the maximal size (depth) of B ;

³⁹ Below EIL_+^ω -based systems will appear for verifying the functional interpretation of proofs in ECL_+^ω -based systems. In virtue of Remark 4.2 it should be obvious that A is a realizer-free axiom from Th_{rf} of ECL_+^ω (see Definition 3.10) if and only if $A^{\mathbb{N}}$ is a realizer-free axiom from Th_{rf} of EIL_+^ω .

- any rule $A_1 [, A_2] \vdash B$ of $\text{ECL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0$ is interpreted under N-translation to a proof \mathcal{P}' of B^N from $A_1^N [, A_2^N]$; \mathcal{P}' has the same structure for all instances of the rule, in particular the same depth; all formulas which appear in \mathcal{P}' have size (depth) upper bounded by k' times the maximal size (depth) of $A_1 [, A_2]$.

As an example we prove the above claim for AC_0 and $\text{QR}\forall$. The other axioms and rules are even easier.

Case AC_0 : We prove that there exists $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for all A_0 ,

$$\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{MK} \vdash_{k'} [\forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{Y} \forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x}))]^N \quad (54)$$

By (53), the conclusion of (54) is implied by

$$\forall \underline{x} \neg \neg \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \rightarrow \exists \underline{Y} \forall \underline{x} \neg \neg A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x})) .$$

This follows from MK and AC_0 with a IEL^ω -proof of constant depth.

Case $\text{QR}\forall$: $B \rightarrow A \vdash B \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} A$. By induction hypothesis we have a proof of $\neg \neg (B^* \rightarrow A^*)$. Then we use (51) and MP to get $B^* \rightarrow \neg \neg A^*$ and by $\text{QR}\forall$, $B^* \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} \neg \neg A^*$. If $A \not\equiv \forall \underline{y} C$ then $\forall \underline{z} \neg \neg A^* \equiv (\forall \underline{z} A)^*$. If $A \equiv \forall \underline{x} A'$ with $A' \not\equiv \forall \underline{y} C$ then $A^* \equiv \forall \underline{x} \neg \neg A'^*$ and using (52) we obtain $B^* \rightarrow \forall \underline{z}, \underline{x} \neg \neg A'^*$ with $\forall \underline{z}, \underline{x} \neg \neg A'^* \equiv (\forall \underline{z} A)^*$. In any case we obtain $\neg \neg (B \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} A)^*$ (also using (53)). Hence overall the deduction of $(B \rightarrow \forall \underline{z} A)^N$ from $(B \rightarrow A)^N$ has constant depth. \square

Remark 4.5 The new quantifier axioms of \mathcal{P}^N are of shape $\forall \underline{z} B(\underline{z}) \rightarrow B(\underline{z})$ and these can be realized with simple projectors Π instead of the terms $t_{\underline{z}}$ of Proposition 3.23.

Remark 4.6 Except for those triggered by $(A \rightarrow A \wedge A)^N$, the contractions $\text{CT}\wedge$ of \mathcal{P}^N are required by the N-translations of $A \vee \neg A$, $\text{QA}\forall$ and $\text{QR}\exists$. In the last two cases the verifying $\text{CT}\wedge$ is brought by the critical implication

$$(\neg \neg A \rightarrow \neg \neg B) \rightarrow \neg \neg (A \rightarrow B) \quad (55)$$

of (51). The use of (55) can be avoided in the case of IMP , EXP by using axiom versions of these rules⁴⁰, the non-critical converse of (55) and MP .

Remark 4.7 The following holds: $((\mathcal{P}^{\text{tr}})^N)^{\text{tr}} = (\mathcal{P}^N)^{\text{tr}}$.

We are now able to describe an efficient algorithm for extracting realizing terms from (complete) proofs \mathcal{P} in $\text{ECL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0$. First \mathcal{P} is transformed to \mathcal{P}^{tr} and then to $(\mathcal{P}^{\text{tr}})^N$ via the algorithm of Proposition 4.4. In a second phase $(\mathcal{P}^{\text{tr}})^N$ is transformed⁴¹ to $((\mathcal{P}^{\text{tr}})^N)^{\text{tr}}$ and the algorithm of Theorem 3.26 is applied to it. Using Proposition 4.4, Theorems 3.38 and 3.41, Notation 3.24

⁴⁰ The axiom versions of IMP and EXP are simply realized with projectors Π . This follows immediately from the fact that $(A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C))^D \equiv (A \wedge B \rightarrow C)^D$. See also Lemma 3.16.

⁴¹ Here only the parts produced by N-translation need to be transformed.

and the abbreviations $\partial := \partial(\mathcal{P})$, $S_c := S_c(\mathcal{P})$ and $S_m := S_m(\mathcal{P})$ we can state the following theorem.

Theorem 4.8 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of a formula A in $\text{ECL}_+^\omega + \text{AC}_0$ it produces as output \underline{t} such that $\underline{t} \text{ Dr } A^{\mathbb{N}}$ and the following hold:

$$d(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot (ls_o + qs_o \cdot \partial) \quad (56)$$

$$S(\underline{t}) \leq Sz(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot S_c \leq k \cdot (ls_o + \partial) \cdot (k \cdot qs_o)^{k \cdot \partial} \quad (57)$$

$$mdg(\underline{t}) \leq vdg_o + k \cdot fid_o \quad (58)$$

$$mar(\underline{t}) \leq var_o + k \cdot qs_o \cdot fid_o \quad (59)$$

$$\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ls_o + \partial)} \{ \underline{t}, A^{\mathbb{N}} \}. \quad (60)$$

The time overhead of the algorithm is upper bounded by $k \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m$. The \sim constants of EIL_v^ω in (60) are among those corresponding to terms occurring in the leaves of $\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}$.

Remark 4.9 In the above theorem we use the more general quantity ∂ instead of the more detailed ones ∂_{QR} and ∂_{MP} which appear in Theorem 3.26. We do so because the N-translations of $\text{QR}\forall$, $\text{QR}\exists$, EXP and IMP trigger new MP instances needed for their verification in $\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}$. Hence $\partial_{\text{MP}}(\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}) \geq \partial(\mathcal{P})$ already.

Corollary 4.10 Let $A \equiv \forall x \exists y A_0(x, y)$ with $\mathcal{V}(A_0) = \{x, y\}$ and, as usual, A_0 quantifier-free. The theorem above holds also with A instead of $A^{\mathbb{N}}$, i.e., $\underline{t} \text{ Dr } A$ with (56), (57), (58), (59) and $\text{EIL}_v^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ls_o + \partial)} \forall x A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{t}(\underline{x}))$.

Proof: There exists $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that, using (52) and (5),

$$\text{EIL}_+^\omega + \text{MK} \vdash_{k' \cdot ld(A_0)} (\forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y}))^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y}).$$

From (13) it follows that the quantity $ld(A_0)$ gets absorbed into ls_o . \square

4.2 A quantitative analysis of monotone functional interpretation

The second author realized in [31] that a much simpler extraction procedure applies if the goal is to extract majorizing functionals \underline{t}^* for the realizing terms \underline{t} of $A^{\mathbb{D}}$, i.e., terms \underline{t}^* such that

$$\text{M} : \quad \exists \underline{x} [\underline{t}^* \text{ maj } \underline{x} \wedge \forall \underline{a}, \underline{y} A_{\mathbb{D}}(\underline{x}(\underline{a}), \underline{y}, \underline{a})] \quad .$$

Here $\underline{y} \text{ maj } \underline{x} := \wedge (y \text{ maj } x)$ and maj is W.A. Howard's majorization relation (see [27]). This is of significance since \underline{t}^* suffices for many (if not most) applications of functional interpretation. These range from conservation results (e.g., for weak König's lemma [30]) to the proof mining of concrete proofs [35]. We noticed in Section 3 that the contraction $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$ is by far the most complicated axiom in the usual functional interpretation. Monotone functional interpretation features a very simple treatment of $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$ and therefore

the extraction process for \underline{t}^* becomes much simpler than the one for \underline{t} .

Definition 4.11 Let $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega$ be an extension of EIL^ω with the following :

- An inequality relation \geq_o for type- o -objects with the usual axioms plus $1 \geq_o \text{I } x^o y^o$, $1 \geq_o \nu x^o y^o$ and $1 \geq_o \text{E } x^o y^o$. Inequality for higher types is defined extensionally by $x \geq_{\sigma o} y := \forall \underline{z}^\sigma (x \underline{z} \geq_o x \underline{z})$. The *majorization* relation is defined by $x^* \text{maj}_{\underline{\sigma} o} x := \forall \underline{z}^\sigma, \underline{y}^\sigma (\underline{z} \text{maj}_{\underline{\sigma}} \underline{y} \rightarrow x^* \underline{z} \text{maj}_o x \underline{y})$, where $\underline{z} \text{maj}_{\underline{\sigma}} \underline{y}$ is an abbreviation for $\bigwedge_{\sigma \in \underline{\sigma}} (z \text{maj}_\sigma y)$ and $\text{maj}_o := \geq_o$.

- A *maximum* constant \mathcal{M}_o of type ooo defined by the axioms

$$\text{AxM} : \quad \mathcal{M}_o x y \geq_o x \quad \mathcal{M}_o x y \geq_o y \quad \mathcal{M}_o \text{maj } \mathcal{M}_o .$$

Maximum constants for higher types are defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\underline{\sigma} o} := \Sigma \mathcal{M}_o = \lambda x^{\sigma o}, y^{\sigma o}, \underline{z}^\sigma. \mathcal{M}_o (x \underline{z}) (y \underline{z}) .$$

- A schema of explicit definability for arbitrary quantifier-free formulas:

$$\text{ED}[A_0] : \quad \exists Y \forall \underline{a} [(1 \geq_o Y(\underline{a})) \wedge (A_0(\underline{a}) \leftrightarrow Y(\underline{a}) =_o 0)] .$$

- Axioms $\text{S } \text{maj } \text{S}$ and $\text{O } \text{maj } \text{O}$.

Remark 4.12 In the presence of a minimal amount of arithmetic $\text{S } \text{maj } \text{S}$ and $\text{O } \text{maj } \text{O}$ are immediately provable. Also the constants \geq_o , ν , I , E and \mathcal{M}_o can be defined such that the remaining axioms of Definition 4.11 become provable (see also Remark 2.5).

Remark 4.13 The formulas $\Sigma \text{maj } \Sigma$, $\Pi \text{maj } \Pi$ and $P \text{maj } P$ hold in $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega$ with proofs of depths proportional with the arities of Σ , Π and P respectively. Then $\mathcal{M}_\rho \text{maj } \mathcal{M}_\rho$ holds for arbitrary ρ with a formal proof of depth proportional with $ar(\rho) + 1$.

Lemma 4.14 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that for any tuple of terms \underline{s} of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega$ (with $\mathcal{V}(\underline{s}) = \{\underline{x}\}$) there exist corresponding terms \underline{s}^* of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega$ (with $\mathcal{V}(\underline{s}^*) = \{\underline{x}^*\}$) such that

$$\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega \vdash \underline{x}^* \text{maj } \underline{x} \rightarrow \underline{s}^* \text{maj } \underline{s} . \quad (61)$$

Proof: The constants O and S trivially majorize themselves by the last clause of Definition 4.11. On the other hand, $\Sigma \mathcal{M} = \lambda z, \underline{x}, \underline{x}'. \mathcal{M} x x'$ majorizes \mathcal{D} and $\Pi 1 = \lambda x^o, y^o. 1$ majorizes I , ν and E . Using Remark 4.13 we have that Σ , Π , P and \mathcal{M} majorize themselves. The conclusion follows immediately by induction on $d(\underline{s})$. \square

Corollary 4.15 Let $\widetilde{s}, \widetilde{s}^*$ be constants associated to terms s, s^* like in Definition 3.10. From (61) it immediately follows that

$$\vdash \widetilde{s}^* \text{maj } \widetilde{s} \quad (62)$$

Definition 4.16 We denote by $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M},+}^\omega$ the system $(\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega)_+$ where “+” includes all formulas $\widetilde{s}^* \text{maj } \widetilde{s}$ as axioms. We take them as axioms because

we consider that the (formal) proof in (62) is not created by monotone functional interpretation. Also let $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M},\mathbb{V}}^\omega$ be the corresponding $(\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega)_\mathbb{V}$.

In [31] realizing terms are presented for the monotone functional interpretation of all axioms of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\mathbb{V} + \text{MK}$. They are the same as for the usual functional interpretation, except that

- $A \rightarrow A \wedge A$ is realized by terms $\Sigma\mathcal{M} = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x}, \underline{y}', \underline{y}'' . \mathcal{M} y' y''$ and $\Pi = \lambda \underline{a}, \underline{x} . x$; compare this with the results of Proposition 3.22;
- $A \vee A \rightarrow A$ is realized by $\Sigma\mathcal{M} = \lambda \underline{a}, z, \underline{x}, \underline{x}' . \mathcal{M} x x'$ and Π ;
- $A \vee B \rightarrow B \vee A$ is realized by terms Π and $\Pi 1$;
- the schema ED itself is trivially realized by $\Pi 1 = \lambda \underline{a} . 1$;
- $\forall \underline{z} A(\underline{z}) \rightarrow A(\underline{s})$ is realized by terms obtained from the realizing terms of the usual functional interpretation by replacing the constants \tilde{s} with the corresponding \tilde{s}^* where \underline{s}^* are given by Lemma 4.14.

Using Remark 4.13 it follows that there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant such that the verifying proof for some axiom A of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\mathbb{V} + \text{MK}$ has depth upper bounded by $k \cdot qs(A)$. The verifying proof for $\text{CT} \wedge$ makes use of ED.

Remark 4.17 The proof-size measure S_m is introduced in Definition 3.33. The proof-depth measures ∂_{MP} , ∂_{QR} and ∂ are introduced in Section 1.2. In the following theorem we will abbreviate by $\partial_{\text{MP}} := \partial_{\text{MP}}(\mathcal{P})$, $\partial_{\text{QR}} := \partial_{\text{QR}}(\mathcal{P})$, $\partial := \partial(\mathcal{P})$ and $S_m := S_m(\mathcal{P})$.

Since monotone functional interpretation uses the same algorithm as the usual functional interpretation for producing realizing terms for conclusions given the realizing terms for premises, the following analogue of Theorem 3.38 holds.

Theorem 4.18 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of A in $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M},+}^\omega + \text{AC} + \text{IP}_\mathbb{V} + \text{MK}$ it produces as output \underline{t}^* such that, with the notations 3.24, the following hold:

$$\begin{aligned}
d(\underline{t}) &\leq k + \partial_{\text{QR}} + qs_o \cdot \partial_{\text{MP}} \\
S(\underline{t}) &\leq Sz(\underline{t}) \leq \min\{k \cdot S_m, k \cdot \partial_{\text{QR}} \cdot qs_o^{\partial_{\text{MP}}}\} \leq k \cdot qs_o^\partial \\
mdg(\underline{t}) &\leq k + vdg_o + id_o \\
mar(\underline{t}) &\leq k + var_o + qs_o \cdot id_o \\
\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M},\mathbb{V}}^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (qs_o + \partial)} \exists \underline{x} (\underline{t}^* \text{ maj } \underline{x} \wedge \forall \underline{a}, \underline{y} A_{\text{D}}(\underline{x}(\underline{a}), \underline{y}, \underline{a})) &\quad (64)
\end{aligned}$$

The time overhead of the algorithm is upper bounded by $k \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m$. The \sim constants of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M},\mathbb{V}}^\omega$ in (64) are among those corresponding to terms occurring in the leaves of \mathcal{P} .

Proof: The rightmost inequality of (63) follows from a suitable adaptation of Remark 3.39 to the monotone case. We now only need to comment on (64). In order to build the verifying proof for MP we need to use the following lemma:

$$(\underline{y}_1 \text{ maj } \underline{x}_1) \wedge (\underline{y}_3 \text{ maj } \underline{x}_3) \rightarrow \wedge [\Sigma(\underline{y}_3, \underline{y}_1, \underline{0}) \text{ maj } \Sigma(\underline{x}_3, \underline{x}_1, \underline{0})] \quad (65)$$

Using Remark 4.13 it follows that there exists $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all its instances, lemma (65) has a proof of depth at most $k' \cdot |\underline{y}_3, \underline{y}_1, \underline{0}|$. When used for verifying MP, we have $|\underline{y}_3, \underline{y}_1, \underline{0}| \leq qs_o$, hence (64) follows immediately. \square

Remark 4.19 If (65) were taken as axiom, the depth of verifying MP would be upper bounded by a constant, just like in the case of usual functional interpretation. On the other hand (65), $\Sigma \text{ maj } \Sigma$, $\Pi \text{ maj } \Pi$, $P \text{ maj } P$ and $\mathcal{M} \text{ maj } \mathcal{M}$ would have constant-depth proofs in $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^{\omega}$ if the underlying logical system handled tuples of conjunctions more smoothly. In such a case (64) could be replaced with $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}, \mathbf{v}}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot \partial} \exists \underline{x} (\underline{t}^* \text{ maj } \underline{x} \wedge \forall \underline{a}, \underline{y} A_{\mathbb{D}}(\underline{x}(\underline{a}), \underline{y}, \underline{a}))$. Hence the bound on verifying proof depth would be better than in the usual functional interpretation case, see (43). The smoother treatment of tuples of conjunctions would actually be normal in our context with free use of tuples in both quantifier axioms/rules and the extensionality rule ER_0 .

Let $\text{ECL}_{\mathbb{M}, +}^{\omega}$ be the classical variant of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}, +}^{\omega}$. Combined with N-translation, monotone functional interpretation carries over to $\text{ECL}_{\mathbb{M}, +}^{\omega} + \text{AC}_0$ and the upper bounds on size and proof depth are smaller than in the functional interpretation case. The following analogue of Theorem 4.8 + Corollary 4.10 holds.

Theorem 4.20 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm which does the following. Given as input a proof \mathcal{P} of A in $\text{ECL}_{\mathbb{M}, +}^{\omega} + \text{AC}_0$, it produces as output \underline{t}^* such that, with the notations 3.24 and the abbreviations $\partial := \partial(\mathcal{P})$ and $S_m := S_m(\mathcal{P})$ the following hold:

$$\begin{aligned} d(\underline{t}^*) &\leq k \cdot qs_o \cdot \partial \\ S(\underline{t}^*) &\leq Sz(\underline{t}^*) \leq k \cdot S_m \leq (k \cdot qs_o)^{k \cdot \partial} \\ mdg(\underline{t}^*) &\leq vdg_o + k \cdot fid_o \\ mar(\underline{t}^*) &\leq var_o + k \cdot qs_o \cdot fid_o \\ \text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}, \mathbf{v}}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot (qs_o + \partial)} \exists \underline{x} [\underline{t}^* \text{ maj } \underline{x} \wedge \forall \underline{a}, \underline{y} (A^{\mathbb{N}})_{\mathbb{D}}(\underline{x}(\underline{a}), \underline{y}, \underline{a})] \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

For $A \equiv \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$ with A_0 quantifier-free and $\{\underline{x}, \underline{y}\} = \mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{I}}(A_0)$, (66) can be replaced with

$$\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}, \mathbf{v}}^{\omega} \vdash_{k \cdot (ld(A_0) + qs_o + \partial)} \exists \underline{Y} [\underline{t}^* \text{ maj } \underline{Y} \wedge \forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{Y}(\underline{x}))] \quad (67)$$

The time overhead of the algorithm is upper bounded by $k \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m$. The \sim constants of $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}, \mathbf{v}}^{\omega}$ in (66, 67) are among those corresponding to terms occurring in the leaves of $\mathcal{P}^{\mathbb{N}}$.

In concrete applications of monotone functional interpretation, $\text{EIL}_{\mathbb{M}}^{\omega}$ will be extended by certain arithmetical (and even analytical) principles (see Section 5 below).

In the presence of a modest amount of arithmetic we can make use of t^* extracted by monotone functional interpretation in the following way. Let \underline{x} , \underline{y} be of type o . Then (67) implies $\forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} \leq \underline{t}^*(\underline{x}) A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$ and therefore, using bounded search applied to \underline{t}^* and a characteristic term t_{A_0} for A_0 one easily constructs \underline{t} such that $\forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{t}(\underline{x}))$. This also works for \underline{x} of type 1 using the construction $x^M(i) := \max_{j \leq i} x(j)$ since $x^M \text{ maj } x$. Moreover, for sentences of the form $\forall x^1 \forall z \leq_1 s \exists y^o A_0(x, z, y)$ with s closed term one can easily obtain a type-2-term \hat{t} from t^* such that $\vdash \forall x^1 \forall z \leq_1 s \exists y \leq_o \hat{t}(x) A_0(x, z, y)$ by taking $\hat{t}(x) := t^*(x^M, s^*)$ where s^* is a majorizing term for s . The term \hat{t} provides a uniform bound on y which is independent from z . See [30] for more details. This feature of monotone functional interpretation is of crucial importance in applications to numerical analysis [35] where $\{z \mid z \leq_1 s\}$ is used to represent compact Polish spaces. Since $A_0(x, z, y)$ is monotone (i.e., $A_0(x, z, y_1) \wedge y_2 \geq y_1 \rightarrow A_0(x, z, y_2)$) in most applications, the term \hat{t} will not be only a bound but actually a realizer for $\exists y$. Hence in this context monotone functional interpretation even provides a realizer which is independent from z and of simpler structure than realizers produced by the usual functional interpretation (see [31] for more on this).

5 Extensions to Arithmetic and fragments of Analysis

Both Gödel's functional interpretation and the monotone functional interpretation apply to intuitionistic and, via the negative translation, also classical arithmetic [22,32,55] (even in finite types) and fragments thereof [8,32,43]. Let PRA^ω be Feferman's system [13] of primitive recursive arithmetic in all finite types, where only quantifier-free induction and ordinary Kleene-primitive recursive functionals are included. Let PRA_1^ω be its intuitionistic variant, formulated over EIL^ω (see Section 5.1 of [26]). All the quantitative results proved above in Theorems 3.26, 4.18 and Theorems 4.8, 4.20 carry on to PRA_1^ω , respectively PRA^ω in the obvious way. The system $\text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0$ allows to derive the schemata of Σ_1^0 -induction and Δ_1^0 -comprehension (see [30]) and therefore contains the system RCA_0 known from reverse mathematics (see [50]). Let us denote by WKL the binary König's lemma. This important⁴² analytical principle simply asserts that every infinite binary tree has an infinite path. The second author has proved in [30] by means of a combination of functional interpretation and majorizability (a precursor of monotone functional interpretation) that $\text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{WKL}$ (which contains Friedman's system⁴³ WKL_0 of [14,50]) is Π_2^0 -conservative over PRA_1^ω . Moreover, a witnessing term can be pro-

⁴² A comprehensive discussion of the vast mathematical applicability of WKL is in [50].

⁴³ Theorem I.10.3 of [50] gives a summary of important mathematical statements which are theorems of WKL_0 . We only mention here the Heine-Borel covering lemma, the separable Hahn-Banach theorem and Brouwer's fixed point theorem.

vided. We give below a quantitative version of this result. We follow closely the proof in Section 7 of [3] which is a simplification of the more general method of [30]. Let PRA^ω be formulated over ECL_M^ω . We use the following convenient formulations of the binary König's lemma :

$$\text{WKL} : \forall f [\forall k \neg \text{Bnd}(\text{BTr}(f), k) \rightarrow \exists b \forall k (\text{InSeg}(\text{Bin}(b), k) \in \text{BTr}(f))]]$$

$$\text{WKL}' : \forall f \exists b \forall k [\neg \text{Bnd}(\text{BTr}(f), k) \rightarrow \text{InSeg}(\text{Bin}(b), k) \in \text{BTr}(f)]$$

where (see Section 7 of [3] for full details)

- Bin and BTr are primitive recursive functionals which transform their argument to a binary function, respectively a binary tree ;
- InSeg is a primitive recursive functional which produces the length k initial segment of the binary function $\text{Bin}(b)$;
- Bnd is a primitive recursive predicate which expresses that the given binary tree $\text{BTr}(f)$ has depth at most k .

Remark 5.1 Below A_0 is quantifier-free, $\underline{x}, \underline{y}$ are type o and $\{\underline{x}, \underline{y}\} = \mathcal{V}_f(A_0)$.

The following theorem expresses the fact that the WKL -elimination and term extraction procedure from WKL -based proofs as developed in [30] is feasible both w.r.t. the size of the extracted terms and the depth of the verifying WKL -free proof. Although the feasibility of WKL -elimination was already proved (independently) in [23] and [2] for fragments of second-order arithmetic, the techniques employed there do not provide any term extraction procedure.

Theorem 5.2 There exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ constant and an algorithm based on Gödel's functional interpretation which does the following. Given as input a proof

$$\mathcal{P} : \text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 \vdash_{\partial} \text{WKL} \rightarrow \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$$

it produces at output realizing terms \underline{t} such that $Sz(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot S_c(\mathcal{P})$ and

$$\text{PRA}_1^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ls_o + \partial)} \forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{t}(\underline{x})) . \quad (68)$$

The time overhead of the algorithm is upper bounded by $k \cdot qs_o \cdot ls_o \cdot S_m(\mathcal{P})$.

Proof: The first step is to transform $\mathcal{P} : \text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 \vdash_{\partial} \text{WKL} \rightarrow \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$ to $\mathcal{P}^N : \text{PRA}_1^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{MK} \vdash_{k' \cdot (ld(A_0) + \partial)} \text{WKL}' \rightarrow \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$ such that all statements on \mathcal{P}^N in Proposition 4.4 hold. Here \mathcal{P}^N is obtained by a slight transformation within $\text{PRA}_1^\omega + \text{MK}$ of the output from the N-translation algorithm carried on \mathcal{P} . There exist fixed proofs (hence with constant complexity) in PRA_1^ω of $\text{WKL}' \rightarrow \text{WKL}$ and $\text{WKL} \rightarrow \text{WKL}^N$. See also Lemmas 7.3.1 and 7.3.3 of [3].

The second step is to transform \mathcal{P}^N to the proof in (68) via a technique based on functional interpretation and majorization. This technique is described in Lemmas 7.4.1 and 7.4.2 of [3] and is an adaptation of the more general technique of [30]. The elimination of WKL' is achieved by weakening WKL' to a formula which is provable in PRA_1^ω . Since we are here interested also in the

realizing term for $\exists y$ and not only in the WKL-conservation, we use a tuple-extended variant of Lemma 7.4.1 from [3] where a realizer for $\exists y$ is provided as well. \square

Corollary 5.3 (quantitative WKL-conservation) There exists an algorithm which transforms proofs $\mathcal{P} : \text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 \vdash_{\partial} \text{WKL} \rightarrow \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$ into proofs $\mathcal{P}' : \text{PRA}_1^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ls_0 + \partial)} \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$.

Remark 5.4 We could alternatively use a monotone functional interpretation version of Lemma 7.4.1 from [3] in the lines of our Theorem 4.20. Then we would first obtain a majorizing tuple \underline{t}^* for $\exists y$ and we could produce a realizer by bounded search up to $\underline{t}^*(\underline{x})$ along the predicate $t_{A_0}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) = 0$. Theorem 5.2 would now hold with (68) replaced by $\text{PRA}_1^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (ld(A_0) + qs_0 + \partial)} \forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{t}(\underline{x}))$. In many cases A_0 is monotone in \underline{y} and therefore bounded search is actually not needed – see also the remarks following Theorem 4.20. In such a case we would obtain terms \underline{t} with $Sz(\underline{t}) \leq k \cdot S_m(\mathcal{P})$, time overhead at most $k \cdot fid_0 \cdot qs_0 \cdot S_m(\mathcal{P})$ and

$$\text{PRA}_1^\omega \vdash_{k \cdot (qs_0 + \partial)} \forall \underline{x} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{t}(\underline{x})) \quad (69)$$

hence a full better performance than the algorithm of Theorem 5.2.

Remark 5.5 There are three ways to produce a variant of Theorem 5.2 where the input proof is $\mathcal{P} : \text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 + \text{WKL} \vdash_{\partial} \forall \underline{x} \exists \underline{y} A_0(\underline{x}, \underline{y})$. One way to overcome the failure of the deduction theorem for weakly extensional PRA^ω is via the elimination-of-extensionality procedure from [39]. This applies when \mathcal{P} contains only⁴⁴ variables of type 0 or 1. In fact this is the case in most applications. We conjecture that the aforementioned procedure is feasible and hence the overall term extraction and WKL-conservation is still a feasible process. However if we are interested in the term extraction more than in the WKL-conservation we can state a variant of Theorem 5.2 based on the monotone functional interpretation with the verifying proof in $\text{PRA}_1^\omega + \widetilde{\text{WKL}}$ and of the same depth as (69), where

$$\widetilde{\text{WKL}} : \exists B \forall f \forall k [\neg \text{Bnd}(\text{BTr}(f), k) \rightarrow \text{InSeg}(\text{Bim}(B(f)), k) \in \text{BTr}(f)]$$

is a strengthening of WKL' . If we are satisfied with a partial WKL-conservation then we can use the fact that premises of ER_0 are realizer-free and hence any WKL instance used in the proof of such a ER_0 -premise gets discarded in the pre-processing phase of the (monotone) functional interpretation algorithm. We can thus consider that the input proof is in $\text{PRA}^\omega + \text{AC}_0 \oplus \text{WKL}$ (see [30], p. 1246 for the meaning of \oplus in this context). For this system the deduction theorem holds w.r.t. \oplus and we obtain (68) with PRA_1^ω extended with the N-translations of conclusions of those ER_0 instances in \mathcal{P} whose sub-proof-trees use WKL. See

⁴⁴ Under this type restriction we can allow the use of (full) extensionality axiom **EA**, see also Remark 2.6. Hence in this setting we work with the fully extensional PRA^ω which features the deduction theorem.

also Remark 3.32.

Remark 5.6 Even though the term extraction procedure of Theorem 5.2 is extremely feasible, the normalization of the extracted terms into ordinary primitive recursive functions and the verification in (plain) primitive recursive arithmetic would however trigger a non-elementary-recursive complexity.

The results obtained above for systems based on PRA^ω immediately carry on to the corresponding systems based on PA^ω for suitable formulations of Peano Arithmetic in all finite types PA^ω , see Section 5.3 of [26] for more on this.

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