

## Second order permutative conversions with Prawitz's strong validity

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### ABSTRACT

A clear and complete proof of strong normalization of second order natural deduction with permutative conversions is given by using Prawitz's strong validity. This paper completes Prawitz's original proof.

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### 1 Introduction

Permutative conversions transform a proof with a disjunction or existential quantification elimination rule followed by an elimination rule into a proof with the second rule in the minor deduction of the first rule [14, 21]. Permutative conversions are indispensable for normalizing a proof in a natural deduction system with disjunction or existential quantification. Without permutative conversions, a normal proof fails to have the subformula property, because there may exist an introduction rule of a logical symbol in a minor deduction of a disjunction or existential quantification elimination rule followed by the elimination rule of the same logical symbol, which may break the subformula property.

Strong normalization property is important. First it implies weak normalization property, which proves the subformula property and consistency [14, 21]. In particular, weak normalization of a second order system has been often proved through showing its strong normalization [5, 6]. Secondly, when we consider proof normalization as computation by the proofs-as-programs paradigm [8], strong normalization guarantees termination of programs. Thirdly, it is itself an interesting combinatorial problem in mathematics.

Several papers have studied strong normalization of systems with or without permutative conversions. We summarize them in Table 1. Strong normalization of second order natural deduction with disjunction, existential

Table 1: Strong Normalization Results for Permutative Conversions

Logical systems	Permutative Conversions	Techniques and references
second order	$\vee, \exists, \exists^2$	strong validity [15] inductive definitions [12]
second order	$\vee, \exists$	saturated sets [19]
second order	no	reducibility [5, 6]
first order	$\vee, \exists$	strong validity [10, 20]
type theory $ITT_0$	$\Sigma$ (weak permutative conversions)	(ad hoc) [18]
first order	$\vee$	CPS translation [3] inductive definitions [2, 9]

quantification, and their commutative conversions is proved in [15, 12]. Strong normalization of second order natural deduction with disjunction, first-order existential quantification, and their commutative conversions is proved in [19]. Strong normalization of second order natural deduction with disjunction and existential quantification without their commutative conversions is proved in [5, 6]. Strong normalization of the negative fragment of second order natural deduction is discussed in [4, 7, 11, 20, 21]. Strong normalization of first order natural deduction with disjunction, existential quantification, and their commutative conversions is proved in [10, 20]. Strong normalization of a type theory with  $\Pi$  types,  $\Sigma$  types, and their weak permutative conversions is proved in [18]. Strong normalization of propositional natural deduction with disjunction and commutative conversions is proved in [3, 2, 9].

We will prove strong normalization of second order intuitionistic natural deduction with permutative conversions by using Prawitz's strong validity. This paper completes Prawitz's original proof given in [15].

By Curry-Howard isomorphism [8], a second order logical system corresponds to a functional programming

language with polymorphic types and abstract data types. Second order universal quantification gives polymorphic types [16]. Second order existential quantification gives abstract data types [13]. Disjunction gives if-then-else statements. Then permutative conversions gives program transformation for if-then-else statements and abstract data types. Strong normalization of a second order system with permutative conversions gives termination of programs written in those programming languages.

In the opinion of one of the leading authorities on normalization, [15] described a correct proof which however needed some supplementary details in order to be complete. Moreover, we will give counterexamples to Theorem 2.2.1 in Page 302 of [15], which is a key of his proof. [15] also gave a proof of strong normalization for first order natural deduction with permutative conversions. Several proofs [10, 20, 21] have been written to complete his proof for a first order system. Nonetheless, we have not seen any paper written to complete his proof for a second order system. Until very recently the proof in [12] was written with a completely different idea using inductive definitions of strongly normalizable terms, the proof for a second order system with permutative conversions had been only that given in [15]. The main contribution of this paper is completing Prawitz's original proof for a second order system.

Section 2 gives the definition of second order natural deduction with permutative conversions. Counterexamples to Prawitz's original proof are discussed in Section 3. Section 4 proves the strong normalization by using Prawitz's strong validity.

## 2 Second order natural deduction $NJ^2$

In this paper, we call the second order intuitionistic natural deduction with permutative conversions the system  $NJ^2$ . It has disjunction, first-order and second-order existential quantification and their permutative conversions. We will give the definition of the system  $NJ^2$ .

Below we will give the list of axioms and inference rules for  $NJ^2$  together with a standard assignment of the second order  $\lambda$ -terms by Curry-Howard isomorphism. The system of reductions is also standard and includes permutative conversions for  $\vee, \exists, \exists^2$ .

**Definition 2.1 (Language)** We have the following symbols:

- First order variables  $x, y, z, \dots$ ,
- Function symbols  $f, g, \dots$ ,
- Predicate variables  $X, Y, \dots$ ,
- Predicate symbols  $q, r, \dots$

We suppose each of function symbols, predicate variables, and predicate symbols has a fixed arity. We will sometimes write  $X^n$  to denote the arity  $n$  of  $X$ . A sequence  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  of expressions is often written as  $\vec{e}$ .

First order terms, formulas, and abstraction terms are defined as follows:

- First order terms  $t, s, \dots ::= x | f\vec{t}$ ,
- Formulas  $A, B, C, D, \dots ::= \perp | q\vec{t} | X\vec{t} | A \rightarrow B | A \& B | \forall xA | A \vee B | \exists xA | \forall XA | \exists XA$ ,
- Abstraction terms  $T ::= X | q | \lambda\vec{x}.A$ .

Each abstraction term has a fixed arity. The arity of  $\lambda x_1 \dots x_n.A$  is  $n$ .

We have term variables  $u^A, v^B, w^C, \dots$  where  $u^A$  and  $u^B$  are distinct when  $A$  is not  $B$ .

We will also call a formula a type.

**Definition 2.2 (Substitution)** Substitutions  $s[x := t], A[x := t], T[x := t], A[X := T]$ , and  $T_1[X := T]$  are defined in a familiar way. Simultaneous substitutions such as  $s[x_1 := t_1, \dots, x_n := t_n]$  are also defined in a standard way. They will be sometimes written using the vector notation such as  $s[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]$ .

We suppose that for a formula  $A$ ,  $(\lambda\vec{x}.A)\vec{t}$  is identical to  $A[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]$ . Note that for a term  $M$ ,  $(\lambda\vec{x}.M)\vec{t}$  will not be identical to  $M[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]$ .

Terms and their typing rules are defined as follows.

### Definition 2.3 (Terms and typing rules)

Assumption

$$u^A : A$$

Inference rules

$$\begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \\ \vdots \\ \frac{M : B}{\lambda u^A.M : A \rightarrow B} (\rightarrow I) \quad \frac{M : A \rightarrow B \quad N : A}{MN : B} (\rightarrow E) \\ \frac{M : A \quad N : B}{\langle M, N \rangle : A \& B} (\& I) \quad \frac{M : A \& B}{M_{p_0} : A} (\& E1) \quad \frac{M : A \& B}{M_{p_1} : B} (\& E2) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{M : A}{\lambda x.M : \forall x A} (\forall I) \quad \frac{M : \forall x A}{Mt : A[x := t]} (\forall E) \\
 \\
 \frac{M : A}{\langle 0, M \rangle^{A \vee B} : A \vee B} (\vee I1) \quad \frac{M : B}{\langle 1, M \rangle^{A \vee B} : A \vee B} (\vee I2) \quad \frac{M : A \vee B \quad N : C \quad L : C}{(M, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} : C} (\vee E) \\
 \begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \\ \vdots \\ [v^B : B] \end{array} \\
 \\
 \frac{M : A[x := t]}{\langle t, M \rangle^{\exists x A} : \exists x A} (\exists I) \quad \frac{M : \exists x A \quad N : C}{(M, N)_{x, u^A} : C} (\exists E) \quad \frac{M : \perp}{M_{PA} : A} (\perp E) \\
 \\
 \frac{M : A}{\lambda X.M : \forall X A} (\forall^2 I) \quad \frac{M : \forall X A}{MT : A[X := T]} (\forall^2 E) \\
 \\
 \frac{M : A[X := T]}{\langle T, M \rangle^{\exists X A} : \exists X A} (\exists^2 I) \quad \frac{M : \exists X A \quad N : C}{(M, N)_{X, u^A} : C} (\exists^2 E) \\
 \begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \\ \vdots \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

The rules  $(\forall I)$ ,  $(\exists E)$ ,  $(\forall^2 I)$ , and  $(\exists^2 E)$  have a standard condition for variables.

Type superscripts in  $u^A, \langle 0, M \rangle^{A \vee B}, \langle 1, M \rangle^{A \vee B}, \langle t, M \rangle^{\exists x A}$ , and  $\langle T, M \rangle^{\exists X A}$  will be sometimes omitted to save notation.

We will use  $M, N, L, K, P, Q$  to denote terms.

Substitutions  $M[x := t]$ ,  $M[u^A := N]$  and  $M[X := T]$  and their simultaneous substitutions are defined in a standard way.

**Definition 2.4 (Reductions)** We define the relation  $M \rightarrow N$  for terms  $M$  and  $N$  in the following way.

$\beta$  conversions:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (\beta \rightarrow) \quad (\lambda \alpha.M)R \rightarrow M[\alpha := R] \quad (\alpha \text{ is } x, u^A, \text{ or } X, \text{ and } R \text{ is } t, N, \text{ or } T \text{ respectively.}) \\
 (\beta \& 1) \quad \langle M, N \rangle p_0 \rightarrow M \\
 (\beta \& 2) \quad \langle M, N \rangle p_1 \rightarrow N \\
 (\beta \vee 1) \quad (\langle 0, M \rangle, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} \rightarrow N[u^A := M] \\
 (\beta \vee 2) \quad (\langle 1, M \rangle, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} \rightarrow L[v^B := M] \\
 (\beta \exists) \quad (\langle R, M \rangle, N)_{\alpha, u^A} \rightarrow N[\alpha := R, u^A := M] \quad (\alpha \text{ is } x \text{ or } X, \text{ and } R \text{ is } t \text{ or } T \text{ respectively.})
 \end{array}$$

Permutative conversions:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (\pi \exists) \quad (M, N)_{\alpha, u^A} R \rightarrow (M, NR)_{\alpha, u^A} \quad (R \text{ is } t, L, T, p_0, p_1, \text{ or } p_C.) \\
 (\pi \exists \exists) \quad ((M, N)_{\alpha, u^A}, L)_{\beta, v^B} \rightarrow (M, (N, L)_{\beta, v^B})_{\alpha, u^A} \\
 (\pi \exists \vee) \quad ((M, N)_{\alpha, u^A}, L_1, L_2)_{u_1^B, u_2^B} \rightarrow (M, (N, L_1, L_2)_{u_1^B, u_2^B})_{\alpha, u^A} \\
 (\pi \vee) \quad (M, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} R \rightarrow (M, NR, LR)_{u^A, v^B} \quad (R \text{ is } t, L, T, p_0, p_1, \text{ or } p_C.) \\
 (\pi \vee \exists) \quad ((M, N, L)_{u_1^A, u_2^B}, K)_{\alpha, v^C} \rightarrow (M, (N, K)_{\alpha, v^C}, (L, K)_{\alpha, v^C})_{u_1^A, u_2^B} \\
 (\pi \vee \vee) \quad ((M, N, L)_{v_1^A, v_2^B}, K_1, K_2)_{u_1^C, u_2^C} \rightarrow (M, (N, K_1, K_2)_{u_1^C, u_2^C}, (L, K_1, K_2)_{u_1^C, u_2^C})_{v_1^A, v_2^B}
 \end{array}$$

where  $\alpha$  is  $x$  or  $X$  and  $\beta$  is  $y$  or  $Y$ .

Congruence.

$$(\text{congr}) \quad M \rightarrow M'$$

if  $N$  is a subterm of  $M$ ,  $N \rightarrow N'$  holds, and  $M'$  is obtained from  $M$  by replacing one occurrence of  $N$  by  $N'$ .

We will say that  $M$  reduces to  $N$  if  $M \rightarrow N$  holds. The relation  $\rightarrow^*$  is defined as the reflexive transitive closure of the relation  $\rightarrow$ . We will write  $M \rightarrow_{\pi} N$  if  $M$  reduces to  $N$  by using only the permutative conversions and the congruence. The relation  $\rightarrow_{\pi}^*$  is the reflexive transitive closure of the relation  $\rightarrow_{\pi}$ .

Remark. (1) Subject reduction property and Church Rosser property hold.

(2) We will not treat  $\perp$  reductions according to [15].

A term  $M$  is strongly normalizable if there is no infinite reduction sequence

$$M \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow \dots$$

beginning with  $M$ .

**Theorem 2.5 (Strong normalization)** Every term of the system  $NJ^2$  is strongly normalizable.

Section 4 will prove this theorem by using Prawitz's strong validity [15].

### 3 Counterexamples

The notions such as reducibility [5, 6], saturated sets [1, 17], and strong validity [15], which are defined by induction on types for first order systems, have difficulty when we try to extend them to a second order system in a naive way. Reducibility candidates technique used in [5, 6] solved this kind of problem by using an assignment to second order variables.

In [15], first the notion of strong validity was defined for a first order system, then he tried to extend it to a second order system by using the notion of the assignment defined in Page 300. This would be a key to treat a second order system. However, this notion cannot work because Theorem 2.2.1 in Page 302 of the paper has the counterexamples we will give later in this section.

Page 300 of [15] defines  $\mathcal{N}$  as an assignment that assigns a regular set to an occurrence of a second order term in a formula. It says that different occurrences of the same second order term may be assigned different sets, and this is emphasized by the additional explanation given in the footnote. Page 301 defines the notion: a derivation  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ . To define it, the definition A.3.2.1 of strong validity given for the first order system is extended to the notion of strong validity relative an assignment for the second order system. The introduction rule consists of the conclusion  $A$  and some assumptions of immediate subformulas of  $A$ . When the definitions A.3.2.1.1–3 of strong validity for the introduction rules are extended to the second order system, to define a strongly valid derivation of the conclusion  $A$  relative  $\mathcal{N}$ , he uses strongly valid derivations of immediate subformulas of  $A$  relative  $\mathcal{N}'$  where  $\mathcal{N}'$  is obtained from  $\mathcal{N}$  by stating that  $\mathcal{N}'$  is to assign to an occurrence of a second order term in the immediate subformulas of  $A$  in question the same value that  $\mathcal{N}$  assigns to the corresponding occurrence in  $A$ . However, this feature causes the following counterexample to the theorem 2.2.1.

Let SN be the set of strongly normalizing derivations. Note that SN is regular.

We summarize facts on his definitions of strong validity. We will use only those from his definitions to construct counterexamples. This interpretation of his book is plausible since at least these facts are clearly stated there, though other parts of his discussions may be ambiguous.

**Facts.** (1) (By A.3.2.1.2 and Page 301 in [15]) Suppose  $\Pi$  is of the form

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ \Pi_1 \\ B \end{array}}{A \rightarrow B} (\rightarrow I)$$

Then  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ , if and only if for any derivation  $\Sigma$  of  $A$  which is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}_1$ , the derivation

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \Sigma \\ A \\ \vdots \\ \Pi_1 \\ B \end{array}$$

is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}_2$ , where the assignment  $\mathcal{N}_1$  is defined as an assignment that maps an occurrence of a second order term  $T$  in  $A$  to a regular set  $N$  when  $\mathcal{N}$  maps the corresponding occurrence of  $T$  in  $A \rightarrow B$  to  $N$ , and the assignment  $\mathcal{N}_2$  is defined as an assignment that maps an occurrence of a second order term  $T$  in  $B$  to a regular set  $N$  when  $\mathcal{N}$  maps the corresponding occurrence of  $T$  in  $A \rightarrow B$  to  $N$ .

(2) (By A.2.1.2.1 in [15]) Suppose  $\Pi$  is of the form

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A[x := t] \end{array}}{(\lambda x.A)t} (\lambda I)$$

and the occurrence of the second order term  $\lambda x.A$  is in the domain of  $\mathcal{N}$ . Then  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ , if and only if  $\Pi$  is in  $\mathcal{N}(\lambda x.A)$ .

**Proposition 3.1** *Let  $P$  be a 0-place predicate constant. Let  $\Pi$  be the derivation*

$$\frac{[P]}{P \rightarrow P}$$

*Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the assignment that maps the first occurrence of  $P$  in  $P \rightarrow P$  to SN and the second occurrence of  $P$  in  $P \rightarrow P$  to the empty set. Then  $\Pi$  is not strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ .*

**Proof.** By the definition of strong validity given in Pages 291 and 301, the claim that  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  is equivalent to the claim that for every derivation  $\Sigma$  of  $P$  that is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}_1$ , the derivation  $\Sigma$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}_2$ . By the definition given in Page 301 extending the definition A.3.2.1.2 to the second order system,  $\mathcal{N}_1$  maps the conclusion  $P$  of  $\Sigma$  to SN since this occurrence of  $P$  comes from the first occurrence of  $P$  in  $P \rightarrow P$ , while  $\mathcal{N}_2$  maps the conclusion  $P$  of  $\Sigma$  to the empty set since this occurrence

of  $P$  comes from the second occurrence of  $P$  in  $P \rightarrow P$ . Hence the claim that  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  is equivalent to the claim that for every derivation  $\Sigma$  of  $P$  in SN, the derivation  $\Sigma$  is in the empty set. The latter claim does not hold, so  $\Pi$  is not strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ .  $\square$

**Counterexample 1.** Apply the theorem 2.1.1 in [15] to the derivation  $\Pi$  and the assignment  $\mathcal{N}$  given in Proposition 3.1. We do not have any individual variables, second order parameters, nor open assumptions in  $\Pi$ .  $\Pi$  should be strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  according to that theorem. On the other hand,  $\Pi$  is not strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  by Proposition 3.1. Hence the theorem 2.1.1 does not hold.  $\square$

Page 300 of [15] defines an assignment as a mapping that maps not only a second order variable but also a second order term to a regular set. According to this definition, the second order term  $\lambda x.A$  can be assigned some regular set independent of  $A$ . This feature causes another counterexample as follows.

**Proposition 3.2** *Let  $P$  be a 1-place predicate constant,  $0$  be an individual constant,  $x$  be an individual variable, and  $\Pi$  be the derivation*

$$\frac{\frac{[P0]}{(\lambda x.Px)0}}{P0 \rightarrow (\lambda x.Px)0}$$

*Let the assignment  $\mathcal{N}$  be the mapping that maps  $P$  to SN and  $\lambda x.Px$  to the empty set. Then  $\Pi$  is not strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ .*

**Proof.** By the definition of strong validity given in Pages 291 and 301, the claim that  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  is equivalent to the claim that for every derivation  $\Sigma$  of  $P0$  that is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ , the derivation  $\Pi'$

$$\frac{\frac{\Sigma}{P0}}{(\lambda x.Px)0}$$

is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ . Hence the claim that  $\Pi$  is strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  is equivalent to the claim that for every derivation  $\Sigma$  of  $P0$  in SN, the derivation  $\Pi'$  is in the empty set. The latter claim does not hold, so  $\Pi$  is not strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$ .  $\square$

**Counterexample 2.** Apply the theorem 2.1.1 in [15] to the derivation  $\Pi$  and the assignment  $\mathcal{N}$  given in Proposition 3.2. We do not have any individual variables, second order parameters, nor open assumptions in  $\Pi$ .  $\Pi$  should be strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  according to that theorem. On the other hand,  $\Pi$  is not strongly valid relative  $\mathcal{N}$  by Proposition 3.2. Hence the theorem 2.1.1 does not hold.  $\square$

His proof of strong normalization consists of the theorems 2.2.1 and 2.2.2 in Page 302. The theorem 2.2.1 is one of the two main theorems, and his proof of strong normalization does not work without the theorem 2.2.1.

He also gave a proof of strong normalization for a first order system in [15] and several proofs have been written to complete his proof for the first order system. Until now we do not know any paper that completes his proof for the second order system. In the next section, we will complete his proof for the second order system.

#### 4 Strong normalization

**Definition 4.1** For a type  $A$ ,  $SN_A$  is defined as the set of strongly normalizable terms of type  $A$ .  $SN$  is defined as the set of strongly normalizable terms of any type.

For a set  $S$  of terms of type  $A$ ,  $S$  is called  $regular_A$  if

- (1)  $S \subset SN_A$ ,
- (2) If  $M \in S$  and  $M \rightarrow N$ , then  $N \in S$ .

For an abstraction term  $T$  of arity  $n$ , a  $regular_T$  set function is a function that maps a sequence  $t_1 \dots t_n$  of first order terms to a  $regular_{Tt_1 \dots t_n}$  set. A set valuation  $\sigma$  is a mapping which maps a predicate variable  $X^n$  to  $(T, F)$  where  $T$  is an abstraction term of arity  $n$  and  $F$  is a  $regular_T$  set function. The valuation  $\sigma[X := (T, F)]$  is defined by  $(\sigma[X := (T, F)])(X) = (T, F)$  and  $(\sigma[X := (T, F)])(Y) = \sigma(Y)$  for  $X \not\equiv Y$ .

For a formula  $A$  and a set valuation  $\sigma$ ,  $A\sigma$  is defined as  $A[\vec{X} := \vec{T}]$  where the free predicate variables of  $A$  are  $\vec{X}$ , and  $\sigma(X_i) = (T_i, F_i)$ . Substitutions  $t\sigma$ ,  $T\sigma$ , and  $M\sigma$  are defined in the same way. Note that  $t\sigma$  is always  $t$ .

**Lemma 4.2**  $SN_A$  is  $regular_A$ .

**Proof.** The clauses (1) and (2) in the definition of regular sets hold trivially for  $SN_A$ .  $\square$

**Definition 4.3** For an abstraction term  $T$ , the  $regular_T$  set function  $SN_T$  is defined by  $SN_T(\vec{t}) = SN_{T\vec{t}}$ .

**Definition 4.4 (Strong validity)** For a type  $A$  and a set valuation  $\sigma$ , we will define the set  $sv_A^\sigma$  of terms of type  $A\sigma$  inductively by using strictly positive inductive definition of  $sv_A^\sigma$  inside induction on the construction of  $A$ .

- (Var)  $u^{A\sigma} \in sv_A^\sigma$ .

- (Var2)  $M \in sv_{X^T}^\sigma$  if  $\sigma(X) = (T, F)$  and  $M \in F(\vec{t})$ .
- ( $\rightarrow I$ )  $\lambda u^{A\sigma}.M \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^\sigma$  if for every  $N \in sv_A^\sigma$ ,  $M[u^{A\sigma} := N] \in sv_B^\sigma$ .
- ( $\rightarrow E$ )  $MN \in sv_A^\sigma$  if for every  $L$ ,  $MN \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $MN : A\sigma$ .
- ( $\&I$ )  $\langle M, N \rangle \in sv_{A\&B}^\sigma$  if  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $N \in sv_B^\sigma$ .
- ( $\&E$ )  $Mp_i \in sv_A^\sigma$  if every  $L, Mp_i \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $Mp_i : A\sigma$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ).
- ( $\forall I$ )  $\lambda x.M \in sv_{\forall x A}^\sigma$  if for every first order term  $t$ ,  $M[x := t] \in sv_{A[x:=t]}^\sigma$ .
- ( $\forall E$ )  $Mt \in sv_A^\sigma$  if for every  $L$ ,  $Mt \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $Mt : A\sigma$ .
- ( $\vee I1$ )  $\langle 0, M \rangle^{(A \vee B)\sigma} \in sv_{A \vee B}^\sigma$  if  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$ .
- ( $\vee I2$ )  $\langle 1, M \rangle^{(A \vee B)\sigma} \in sv_{A \vee B}^\sigma$  if  $M \in sv_B^\sigma$ .
- ( $\vee E$ )  $(M, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} \in sv_C^\sigma$  if
  - $M \in SN_{A \vee B}$ ,
  - $N, L \in sv_C^\sigma$ ,
  - for every  $P$ ,  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle^{A \vee B}]$  implies  $N[u^A := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$ ,
  - for every  $P$ ,  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 1, P \rangle^{A \vee B}]$  implies  $L[v^B := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$ .
- ( $\exists I$ )  $\langle t, M \rangle^{(\exists x A)\sigma} \in sv_{\exists x A}^\sigma$  if  $M \in sv_{A[x:=t]}^\sigma$ .
- ( $\exists E$ )  $(M, N)_{x, u^A} \in sv_C^\sigma$  if  $M \in SN_{\exists x A}$ ,  $N \in sv_C^\sigma$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle t, P \rangle^{\exists x A}]$  implies  $N[x := t, u^A := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$  for every  $P$  and every  $t$ .
- ( $\forall^2 I$ )  $\lambda X^n.M \in sv_{\forall X^n A}^\sigma$  if for every abstraction term  $T$  of arity  $n$  and every regular $_T$  set function  $F$ ,  $M[X := T] \in sv_{A[X:=\langle T, F \rangle]}^\sigma$ .
- ( $\forall^2 E$ )  $MT \in sv_A^\sigma$  if for every  $L$ ,  $MT \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $MT : A\sigma$ .
- ( $\exists^2 I$ )  $\langle T, M \rangle^{(\exists X A)\sigma} \in sv_{\exists X A}^\sigma$  if  $M \in sv_{A[X:=\langle T, F \rangle]}^\sigma$  for some regular $_T$  set function  $F$ .
- ( $\exists^2 E$ )  $(M, N)_{X, u^A} \in sv_C^\sigma$  if  $M \in SN_{\exists X A}$ ,  $N \in sv_C^\sigma$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle T, P \rangle^{\exists X A}]$  implies  $N[X := T, u^A := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$  for every term  $P$  and every abstraction term  $T$ .

In the rules ( $\vee E$ ), ( $\exists E$ ), and ( $\exists^2 E$ ), the segment  $C[\cdot]$  is defined by

$$C[\cdot] ::= \lambda(M, C[\cdot], N)_{u^A, v^B} \lambda(M, N, C[\cdot])_{u^A, v^B} \lambda(M, C[\cdot])_{x, u^A} \lambda(M, C[\cdot])_{x, u^A}$$

If  $M$  is in  $sv_A^\sigma$ , we will say that  $M$  is strongly valid with respect to  $\sigma$ . We call  $sv_A^\sigma$  strong validity, which will be sometimes abbreviated to sv.

Remark. In this definition,  $sv_A^\sigma$  is defined by induction on  $A$ . Inside each definition for  $A$ , we can assume  $sv_B^\sigma$  is already defined for  $B$  smaller than  $A$ , and moreover we use strictly positive inductive definition of  $sv_A^\sigma$ . This kind of definition is discussed in detail in [20] and it has shown that the inductive definition for the first order system can be reduced to arithmetical inductive definitions.

**Definition 4.5** For  $M \in SN$ ,  $|M|$  is defined as the length of the longest reduction sequence beginning with  $M$ .  $\#M$  is defined as the number of the symbols occurring in  $M$ .

**Lemma 4.6** (1) Suppose that  $(M, N, L)_{u, v}$  is a term of type  $C$ . Assume that

- $M, N, L$  are in  $SN$ ,
- $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in SN$  for every  $P$ ,
- $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in SN$  for every  $P$ .

Then  $(M, N, L)_{u, v}$  is in  $SN$ .

(2) Let  $\alpha$  be  $x$  or  $X$  and  $R$  be  $t$  or  $T$  respectively. Suppose that  $(M, N)_{\alpha, u}$  is a term of type  $C$ . Assume that

- $M, N$  are in  $SN$ ,
- $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle R, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[\alpha := R, u := P] \in SN$  for every  $R$  and every  $P$ .

Then  $(M, N)_{\alpha, u}$  is in SN.

Proof. We will show the claims (1) and (2) simultaneously by induction on  $(|M|, \sharp M, |N| + |L|)$ .

(1) Assume  $(M, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow K$ . We will show  $K \in SN$ . We will consider cases according to the reduction.

Case  $(M, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow (M', N, L)_{u, v}$ .

For  $i = 0, 1$ ,  $M' \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle i, P \rangle]$  implies  $M \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle i, P \rangle]$ , so the second and the third assumptions hold for  $(M', N, L)_{u, v}$ . By IH for  $|M'| < |M|$ , we have  $(M', N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ .

Case  $(M, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow (M, N', L)_{u, v}$ .

$N'[u := P] \in SN$  if  $N[u := P] \in SN$ , since  $N[u := P] \rightarrow N'[u := P]$ . By IH for  $|N'| < |N|$ , we have  $(M, N', L)_{u, v} \in SN$ .

Case  $(M, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow (M, N, L')_{u, v}$ . This case is similar to the previous case.

Case  $(\langle 0, M \rangle, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow N[u := M]$ .

By letting  $\mathcal{C}[\cdot] \equiv \cdot$  in the second assumption,  $N[u := M]$  is in SN.

Case  $(\langle 1, M \rangle, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow L[v := M]$ . This case is similar to the previous case.

Case  $((M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2}, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow (M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u, v}, (M_3, N, L)_{u, v})_{w_1, w_2}$ .

We have  $M_1 \in SN$ , since  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \in SN$ .

We will show  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ . First we have  $M_2, N, L \in SN$ . Suppose  $M_2 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . Then  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \rightarrow^* (M_1, \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle], M_3)_{w_1, w_2}$ . By letting  $\mathcal{C}[\cdot]$  be  $(M_1, \mathcal{C}_1[\cdot], M_3)_{w_1, w_2}$  in the second assumption, we have  $N[u := P] \in SN$ . Therefore  $M_2 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in SN$ . Similarly  $M_2 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in SN$ . Hence, by IH for  $|M_2| \leq |M|$  and  $\sharp M_2 < \sharp M$ , we have  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ .

We can prove  $(M_3, N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$  in a similar way.

We will show that  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}[w_1 := P] \in SN$ . Assume  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . We will show each condition in IH for  $(M_2[w_1 := P], N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} &\rightarrow^* (\mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle], M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \\ &\rightarrow_{\pi}^* \mathcal{C}'_1[\langle \langle 0, P \rangle, M_2, M_3 \rangle_{w_1, w_2}] \\ &\rightarrow \mathcal{C}'_1[M_2[w_1 := P]]. \end{aligned}$$

By the first assumption  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \in SN$ , we have  $M_2[w_1 := P] \in SN$ . By the first assumption, we also have  $N, L \in SN$ . Suppose  $M_2[w_1 := P] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]$ . Then we have

$$(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}'_1[M_2[w_1 := P]] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}'_1[\mathcal{C}_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]].$$

By letting  $\mathcal{C}[\cdot]$  be  $\mathcal{C}'_1[\mathcal{C}_2[\cdot]]$  in the second assumption, we have  $N[u := Q] \in SN$ . Hence  $M_2[w_1 := P] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := Q] \in SN$ . Similarly  $M_2[w_1 := P] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_2[\langle 1, Q \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := Q] \in SN$ . By IH for  $|M_2[w_1 := P]| < |(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2}|$ , we have  $(M_2[w_1 := P], N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ , that is,  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}[w_1 := P] \in SN$ .

We can prove that  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_3, N, L)_{u, v}[w_2 := P] \in SN$  in the same way.

By IH for  $|M_1| \leq |(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2}|$  and  $\sharp M_1 < \sharp (M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2}$ , we can conclude  $(M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u, v}, (M_3, N, L)_{u, v})_{w_1, w_2} \in SN$ .

Case  $((M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w}, N, L)_{u, v} \rightarrow (M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u, v})_{\alpha, w}$  where  $\alpha$  is  $x$  or  $X$ .

We have  $M_1 \in SN$ , since  $(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w} \in SN$ .

We will show  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ . First we have  $M_2, N, L \in SN$  from the first assumption. Suppose  $M_2 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . Then  $(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w} \rightarrow^* (M_1, \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle])_{\alpha, w}$ . By letting  $\mathcal{C}[\cdot]$  be  $(M_1, \mathcal{C}_1[\cdot])_{\alpha, w}$  in the second assumption, we have  $N[u := P] \in SN$ . Therefore  $M_2 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in SN$ . Similarly  $M_2 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in SN$ . Hence, by IH for  $|M_2| \leq |M|$  and  $\sharp M_2 < \sharp M$ , we have  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ .

We will show that  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle R, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}[\alpha := R, w := P] \in SN$ , where  $R$  is  $t$  if  $\alpha$  is  $x$  and  $R$  is  $T$  if  $\alpha$  is  $X$ . Assume  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_1[\langle R, P \rangle]$ . We will show each condition in IH for  $(M_2[\alpha := R, w := P], N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w} &\rightarrow^* (\mathcal{C}_1[\langle R, P \rangle], M_2)_{\alpha, w} \\ &\rightarrow_{\pi}^* \mathcal{C}'_1[\langle \langle R, P \rangle, M_2 \rangle_{\alpha, w}] \\ &\rightarrow \mathcal{C}'_1[M_2[\alpha := R, w := P]]. \end{aligned}$$

By the first assumption  $(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w} \in SN$ , we have  $M_2[\alpha := R, w := P] \in SN$ . By the first assumption, we also have  $N, L \in SN$ . Suppose  $M_2[\alpha := R, w := P] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]$ . Then we have

$$(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w} \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}'_1[M_2[\alpha := R, w := P]] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}'_1[\mathcal{C}_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]].$$

By letting  $\mathcal{C}[\cdot]$  be  $\mathcal{C}'_1[\mathcal{C}_2[\cdot]]$  in the second assumption, we have  $N[u := Q] \in SN$ . Hence  $M_2[\alpha := R, w := P] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := Q] \in SN$ . Similarly  $M_2[\alpha := R, w := P] \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}_2[\langle 1, Q \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := Q] \in SN$ . By IH for  $|M_2[\alpha := R, w := P]| < |(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w}|$ , we have  $(M_2[\alpha := R, w := P], N, L)_{u, v} \in SN$ , that is,  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}[\alpha := R, w := P] \in SN$ .

By IH (2) for  $|M_1| \leq |(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w}|$  and  $\sharp M_1 < \sharp (M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, w}$ , we can conclude  $(M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u, v})_{\alpha, w} \in SN$ .

(2) These claims are proved in a similar way to the claim (1).  $\square$

**Proposition 4.7**  $sv_A^\sigma \subset SN_{A\sigma}$  holds.

*Proof.* We will use induction on the definition of  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$  to prove that  $M \in SN$ . We will list cases according to the definition of  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$ .  
 Case (Var).  $u^{A\sigma} \in SN$ .  
 Case (Var2). By the clause (1) in the definition of regular sets.  
 Case ( $\rightarrow I$ ). By (Var),  $u^{A\sigma} \in sv_A^\sigma$ . By letting  $N$  be  $u$  in the definition of  $\lambda u.M \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^\sigma$ , we have  $M \in sv_B^\sigma$ . By IH,  $M$  is in SN. Hence  $\lambda u.M$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\rightarrow E$ ). We will show  $MN \in SN$ . Assume  $MN \rightarrow L$  and we will show  $L \in SN$ . By the definition of  $MN \in sv_A^\sigma$ , we have  $L \in sv_A^\sigma$ . By IH, we have  $L \in SN$ .  
 Case ( $\& I$ ). By the definition of  $\langle M, N \rangle \in sv_{A \& B}^\sigma$ , we have  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $N \in sv_B^\sigma$ . By IH,  $M, N$  are in SN. Hence  $\langle M, N \rangle$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\& E$ ). This case is similar to the case ( $\rightarrow E$ ).  
 Case ( $\forall I$ ). By letting  $t$  be  $x$  in the definition of  $\lambda x.M \in sv_{\forall x A}^\sigma$ , we have  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$ . By IH,  $M$  is in SN. Hence  $\lambda x.M$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\forall E$ ). This case is similar to the case ( $\rightarrow E$ ).  
 Case ( $\vee I$ ). This case is similar to the case ( $\& I$ ).  
 Case ( $\vee E$ ). By IH, we have the following:  $M, N, L \in SN$ ,  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in SN$  for every  $P$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in SN$  for every  $P$ . By Lemma 4.6 (1), we have  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \in SN$ .  
 Case ( $\exists I$ ). By IH for  $M \in sv_{A[x:=t]}^\sigma$ ,  $M$  is in SN. Hence  $\langle t, M \rangle$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\exists E$ ). By IH, we have the following:  $M, N \in SN$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle t, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[x := t, u := P] \in SN$  for every  $t$  and every  $P$ . By Lemma 4.6 (2),  $(M, N)_{x,u}$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\forall^2 I$ ). By letting  $T$  be  $X$  and  $F$  be  $SN_X$  in the definition of  $\lambda X.M \in sv_{\forall X A}^\sigma$ , we have  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X := (X, SN_X)]}$ . By IH,  $M$  is in SN. Then  $\lambda X.M$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\forall^2 E$ ). This case is similarly proved to the case ( $\rightarrow E$ ).  
 Case ( $\exists^2 I$ ). By IH for  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X := (T, F)]}$ ,  $M$  is in SN. Hence  $\langle T, M \rangle$  is in SN.  
 Case ( $\exists^2 E$ ). By IH, we have the following:  $M, N \in SN$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle T, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[X := T, u := P] \in SN$  for every  $T$  and every  $P$ . From Lemma 4.6 (2), we have  $(M, N)_{X,u} \in SN$ .  
 Consequently  $sv_A^\sigma \subset SN$  holds. Since  $sv_A^\sigma$  is a set of terms of type  $A\sigma$ , we have  $sv_A^\sigma \subset SN_{A\sigma}$   $\square$

**Proposition 4.8** If  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $M \rightarrow N$  hold, then  $N$  is in  $sv_A^\sigma$ .

*Proof.* Assume  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$  and  $M \rightarrow N$ . We will show  $N \in sv_A^\sigma$  by induction on the definition of  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$ . We will list cases according to the definition of  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$ .  
 Case (Var). We do not have this case.  
 Case (Var2). The claim holds from the clause (2) in the definition of regular sets.  
 Case ( $\rightarrow I$ ). The reduction is  $\lambda u.M \rightarrow \lambda u.M'$ . Assume  $N \in sv_A^\sigma$ . From the definition of  $\lambda u.M \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^\sigma$ ,  $M[u := N]$  is in  $sv_B^\sigma$ . From IH and  $M[u := N] \rightarrow M'[u := N]$ , we have  $M'[u := N]$  in  $sv_B^\sigma$ . Hence  $\lambda u.M'$  is in  $sv_{A \rightarrow B}^\sigma$ .  
 Case ( $\rightarrow E$ ). By the definition of sv,  $MN \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_A^\sigma$ .  
 Case ( $\& I$ ). The reduction is either  $\langle M, N \rangle \rightarrow \langle M', N \rangle$  or  $\langle M, N \rangle \rightarrow \langle M, N' \rangle$ . By the definition of sv,  $M$  is in  $sv_A^\sigma$  and  $N$  is in  $sv_B^\sigma$ . By IH,  $M'$  is in  $sv_A^\sigma$  and  $N'$  is in  $sv_B^\sigma$ . Hence we have  $\langle M', N \rangle \in sv_{A \& B}^\sigma$  and  $\langle M, N' \rangle \in sv_{A \& B}^\sigma$  by definition.  
 Case ( $\& E$ ). This case is similarly proved to the case ( $\rightarrow E$ ).  
 Case ( $\forall I$ ). The reduction is  $\lambda x.M \rightarrow \lambda x.M'$ . By IH for  $M[x := t] \in sv_{A[x:=t]}^\sigma$  and  $M[x := t] \rightarrow M'[x := t]$ , we have  $M'[x := t] \in sv_{A[x:=t]}^\sigma$  for any first order term  $t$ . Hence  $\lambda x.M'$  is in  $sv_{\forall x A}^\sigma$ .  
 Case ( $\forall E$ ). This case is similarly proved to the case ( $\rightarrow E$ ).  
 Case ( $\vee I$ ). This case is similar to the case ( $\& I$ ).  
 Case ( $\vee E$ ). Suppose  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \in sv_C^\sigma$  and  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow K$ . We will consider cases according to the reduction.  
 Case 1.  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow (M', N, L)_{u,v} \equiv K$ .  $M'$  is in SN since  $M$  is in SN.  $M' \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$ , since  $M' \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . Similarly  $M' \rightarrow^* C[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$ . Hence  $K$  is in  $sv_C^\sigma$  by definition.  
 Case 2.  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow (M, N', L)_{u,v} \equiv K$ . By IH,  $N'$  is in  $sv_C^\sigma$ . If  $M \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ , we have  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$ . Then we have  $N'[u := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$  from  $N[u := P] \rightarrow N'[u := P]$  and IH. Hence  $K$  is in  $sv_C^\sigma$  by definition.  
 Case 3.  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow (M, N, L')_{u,v} \equiv K$ . This case is similar to the previous case.  
 Case 4.  $(\langle 0, P \rangle, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow N[u := P] \equiv K$ . By letting  $C[\cdot] \equiv \cdot$  in the third condition of the definition  $(\langle 0, P \rangle, N, L)_{u,v} \in sv_C^\sigma$ , we have  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^\sigma$ .  
 Case 5.  $(\langle 1, P \rangle, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow L[v := P] \equiv K$ . This case is similarly proved to the previous case.  
 Case 6.  $((M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2}, N, L)_{u,v} \rightarrow (M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u,v}, (M_3, N, L)_{u,v})_{w_1, w_2} \equiv K$ .



The assumption  $((M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2}, N, L)_{u, v} \in sv_C^{\sigma}$  gives us the following four conditions:  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \in SN$ ,  $N, L \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ ,  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ , and  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \rightarrow^* C[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . We will show each clause in the definition  $(M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u, v}, (M_3, N, L)_{u, v})_{w_1, w_2} \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ .

First we have  $M_1 \in SN$  from the first condition.

Next we will show  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v} \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ .  $M_2$  is in SN. From the second condition,  $N, L$  are in  $sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Suppose  $M_2 \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . Then  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \rightarrow^* (M_1, C_1[\langle 0, P \rangle], M_3)_{w_1, w_2}$ . By letting  $C[\cdot]$  be  $(M_1, C_1[\cdot], M_3)_{w_1, w_2}$  in the third condition, we have  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Therefore  $M_2 \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Similarly  $M_2 \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Hence  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}$  is in  $sv_C^{\sigma}$  by definition.

We can prove  $(M_3, N, L)_{u, v} \in sv_C^{\sigma}$  in the same way.

We will show that  $M_1 \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}[w_1 := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Assume  $M_1 \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} &\rightarrow^* (C_1[\langle 0, P \rangle], M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \\ &\rightarrow_{\neq}^* C'_1[\langle \langle 0, P \rangle, M_2, M_3 \rangle_{w_1, w_2}] \\ &\rightarrow C'_1[M_2[w_1 := P]]. \end{aligned}$$

By the first condition, we have  $M_2[w_1 := P] \in SN$ . By the second condition, we have  $N, L \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Suppose  $M_2[w_1 := P] \rightarrow^* C_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]$ . Then we have

$$(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{w_1, w_2} \rightarrow^* C'_1[M_2[w_1 := P]] \rightarrow^* C'_1[C_2[\langle 0, Q \rangle]].$$

By letting  $C[\cdot]$  be  $C'_1[C_2[\cdot]]$  in the third condition, we have  $N[u := Q] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Hence  $M_2[w_1 := P] \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 0, Q \rangle]$  implies  $N[u := Q] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Similarly we can prove that  $M_2[w_1 := P] \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 1, Q \rangle]$  implies  $L[v := Q] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Hence by definition we have  $(M_2[w_1 := P], N, L)_{u, v} \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ , that is,  $(M_2, N, L)_{u, v}[w_1 := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ .

We can prove that  $M_1 \rightarrow^* C_1[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_3, N, L)_{u, v}[w_2 := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma}$  in a similar way.

Therefore we can conclude  $(M_1, (M_2, N, L)_{u, v}, (M_3, N, L)_{u, v})_{w_1, w_2} \in sv_C^{\sigma}$  by definition.

Case  $(\exists I)$ . The reduction is  $\langle t, M \rangle \rightarrow \langle t, M' \rangle$ . By the definition, we have  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[x:=t]}$ . By IH, we have  $M' \in sv_A^{\sigma[x:=t]}$ . Hence  $\langle t, M' \rangle$  is in  $sv_{\exists x A}^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $(\exists E)$ . This case can be proved in a similar way to the case  $(\forall E)$ .

Case  $(\forall^2 I)$ . The reduction is  $\lambda X^n. M \rightarrow \lambda X^n. M'$ . Assume  $T$  is an abstraction term of arity  $n$  and  $F$  is a regular $_T$  set function. By the definition of  $\lambda X.M \in sv_{\forall X A}^{\sigma}$ , we have  $M[X := T] \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T, F)]}$ . By IH and  $M[X := T] \rightarrow M'[X := T]$ , we have  $M'[X := T] \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T, F)]}$ . Hence  $\lambda X.M'$  is in  $sv_{\forall X A}^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $(\forall^2 E)$ . This case is similar to the case  $(\rightarrow E)$ .

Case  $(\exists^2 I)$ . The reduction is  $\langle T, M \rangle \rightarrow \langle T, M' \rangle$ . By the definition of  $\langle T, M \rangle \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ , we have  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T, F)]}$  for some  $F$ . By IH, we have  $M' \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T, F)]}$ . Hence  $\langle T, M' \rangle$  is in  $sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $(\exists^2 E)$ . This case is proved in a similar way to the case  $(\forall E)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.9**  $sv_A^{\sigma}$  is a regular $_{A\sigma}$  set.

Proof. Proposition 4.7 shows the clause (1) in the definition of regular sets. Proposition 4.8 proves the clause (2).  $\square$

**Definition 4.10** For an abstraction term  $T$  and a set valuation  $\sigma$ , the regular $_{T\sigma}$  set function  $sv_T^{\sigma}$  is defined by  $sv_T^{\sigma}(\vec{t}) = sv_{T\vec{t}}^{\sigma}$ .

**Lemma 4.11** (1) If  $sv_B^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]} = sv_{B[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$  holds for every proper subformula  $B$  of  $A$ , then  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]}$  implies  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=T]}$ .

(2) If  $sv_B^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]} = sv_{B[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$  holds for every proper subformula  $B$  of  $A$ , then  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=T]}$  implies  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]}$ .

(3)  $sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]} = sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$  holds for every type  $A$ .

Proof. Let  $\sigma'$  be  $\sigma[X := (T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]$ . Let  $C'$  be  $C[X := T]$  for every type  $C$ . We will say the small type condition to denote the condition that  $sv_B^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]} = sv_{B[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$  for every proper subformula  $B$  of  $A$ .

We note  $A(\sigma') = A'\sigma$  since the both sides are  $A[\vec{Y} := \vec{T}, X := T\sigma]$  where  $\sigma(Y_i) = (T_i, F_i)$ .

(1) We will use induction on the definition of  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]}$  to prove  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X:=T]}$ .

Cases will be listed according to the definition of  $sv_A^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]}$ .

Case (Var). The claim holds since  $M \equiv v^A(\sigma')$ .

Case (Var2)(1)  $A \equiv X\vec{t}$ . The assumption is  $M \in sv_{X\vec{t}}^{\sigma[X:=(T\sigma, sv_T^{\sigma})]}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $M \in sv_{\vec{t}}^{\sigma}$ . So  $M \in sv_{\vec{t}}^{\sigma}$  holds by the definition of  $sv_{\vec{t}}^{\sigma}$ . The claim  $M \in sv_{(X\vec{t})}^{\sigma}$  is also  $M \in sv_{\vec{t}}^{\sigma}$  by the definition of substitution.

Case (Var2)(2)  $A \equiv Y\vec{t}$  and  $Y \cong X$ . Both of the assumption and the claim are  $M \in F(\vec{t})$  by definition where  $\sigma(Y) = (T_1, F)$ .

Case ( $\rightarrow I$ )  $\lambda u.M \in sv_{C \rightarrow D}^{\sigma'}$ . By the assumption and the definition, for every  $N \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$ ,  $M[u := N]$  is in  $sv_D^{\sigma'}$ . By the small type condition, it is equivalent to that for every  $N \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$ ,  $M[u := N]$  is in  $sv_{D'}^{\sigma}$ . Hence we have  $\lambda u.M \in sv_{(C \rightarrow D)'}^{\sigma}$ .

Case ( $\rightarrow E$ ). By the assumption,  $MN \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_A^{\sigma'}$ . By IH,  $MN \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . Therefore  $MN$  is in  $sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$  by definition.

Case ( $\forall E$ )  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$ . By the assumption and the definition,  $M \in SN$ ,  $N, L \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$ ,  $M \rightarrow^* C[(0, P)]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$  for every  $P$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[(1, P)]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$  for every  $P$ . By IH,  $N, L \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$ ,  $M \rightarrow^* C[(0, P)]$  implies  $N[u := P] \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$  for every  $P$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[(1, P)]$  implies  $L[v := P] \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$  for every  $P$ . Hence we have  $(M, N, L)_{u,v} \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$  by definition.

Cases ( $\& I$ ), ( $\& E$ ), ( $\forall I$ ), ( $\forall E$ ), and ( $\exists E$ ) are similarly proved to the previous three cases.

Case ( $\forall^2 I$ )  $\lambda Y.M \in sv_{\forall Y A}^{\sigma'}$ . By the assumption and the definition, for every abstraction term  $T_1$  and every regular $_{T_1}$  set function  $F$ ,  $M[Y := T_1] \in sv_A^{\sigma'[Y := (T_1, F)]}$  holds. By combining this with the small type condition, we have  $M[Y := T_1] \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma[Y := (T_1, F)]}$ . Hence we have  $\lambda Y.M \in sv_{(\forall Y A)'}^{\sigma}$  by definition.

Case ( $\forall^2 E$ ) can be proved in the same way as the case ( $\rightarrow E$ ).

Case ( $\exists^2 I$ )  $\langle T_1, M \rangle \in sv_{\exists Y A}^{\sigma'}$ . By the assumption and the definition, we have  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma'[Y := (T_1, F)]}$  for some regular $_{T_1}$  set function  $F$ . By the small type condition, we have  $M \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma[Y := (T_1, F)]}$ . Hence  $\langle T_1, M \rangle \in sv_{(\exists Y A)'}^{\sigma}$  by definition.

Case ( $\exists^2 E$ )  $(M, N)_{Y,u} \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$ . By the assumption and the definition,  $M$  is in  $SN$ ,  $N$  is in  $sv_C^{\sigma'}$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[(T_1, P)]$  implies  $N[Y := T_1, u := P] \in sv_C^{\sigma'}$  for every  $T_1$  and every  $P$ . By IH,  $N$  is in  $sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$ , and  $M \rightarrow^* C[(T_1, P)]$  implies  $N[Y := T_1, u := P] \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$  for every  $T_1$  and every  $P$ . Hence we have  $(M, N)_{Y,u} \in sv_{C'}^{\sigma}$  by definition.

Cases ( $\exists I$ ) and ( $\exists E$ ) can be proved similarly to the previous two cases.

(2) We will show that if we have  $M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ , then  $C \equiv A[X := T]$  implies  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma[X := (T\sigma, sv_C^{\sigma})]}$ , by induction on the definition of  $M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ .

Cases will be listed according to the definition of  $M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$  except the case (Subst).

Case (Subst)  $C \equiv T\vec{t}$ ,  $A \equiv X\vec{t}$ , and  $M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of  $sv_T^{\sigma}$ , We have  $sv_C^{\sigma} = sv_T^{\sigma}(\vec{t})$ . By the definition of sv,  $M \in sv_{X\vec{t}}^{\sigma}$  holds.

Case (Var2)(1)  $C \equiv Y\vec{s}[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]$ ,  $A \equiv X\vec{t}$ , and  $T \equiv \lambda\vec{x}.Y\vec{s}$ , and  $M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . This case is included in Case (Subst).

Case (Var2)(2)  $C \equiv A \equiv Y\vec{t}, X \cong Y$ , and  $M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . Let  $\sigma(Y) = (T_0, F)$ . We have  $M \in F(\vec{t})$  by the definition of sv. So  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma}$  holds by the definition of sv.

Case ( $\rightarrow I$ )(1)  $C \equiv B_1[\vec{x} := \vec{t}] \rightarrow B_2[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]$ ,  $A \equiv X\vec{t}$ ,  $T \equiv \lambda\vec{x}.B_1 \rightarrow B_2$ , and  $\lambda u^{B_1[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]\sigma}.M \in sv_{B_1[\vec{x} := \vec{t}] \rightarrow B_2[\vec{x} := \vec{t}]}^{\sigma}$ . This case is included in Case (Subst).

Case ( $\rightarrow I$ )(2)  $C \equiv A'_1 \rightarrow A'_2$  and  $A \equiv A_1 \rightarrow A_2$ , and  $\lambda u^{A_1\sigma}.M \in sv_{A_1 \rightarrow A_2}^{\sigma}$ . Assume  $N \in sv_{A_1}^{\sigma}$ . By the small type condition for  $A_1$ ,  $N$  is in  $sv_{A_1}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $M[u^{A_1\sigma} := N] \in sv_{A_2}^{\sigma}$ . By the small type condition for  $A_2$ ,  $M[u^{A_1\sigma} := N]$  is in  $sv_{A_2}^{\sigma}$ . Since  $A_1(\sigma') \equiv A_1'\sigma$ , we have  $M[u^{A_1\sigma'} := N]$  is in  $sv_{A_2}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv,  $\lambda u^{A_1\sigma'}.M \in sv_{A_1 \rightarrow A_2}^{\sigma}$ .

Case ( $\rightarrow E$ )  $MN \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $MN : A'\sigma$ , so we have  $MN : A(\sigma')$ . Assume  $MN \rightarrow L$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $L \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . By IH,  $L$  is in  $sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $MN \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ .

Case ( $\forall^2 I$ )(1)  $C \equiv \forall Y(B[\vec{x} := \vec{t}])$ ,  $A \equiv X\vec{t}, T \equiv \lambda\vec{x}.\forall YB$ , and  $\lambda Y.M \in sv_C^{\sigma}$ . This case is included in Case (Subst).

Case ( $\forall^2 I$ )(2)  $C \equiv \forall YB', A \equiv \forall YB$ , and  $\lambda Y.M \in sv_{\forall Y B'}$ . We can suppose  $Y$  is fresh by renaming bound variables. By the definition of sv,  $M[Y := T_1]$  is in  $sv_{B'}^{\sigma[Y := (T_1, F_1)]}$  for every abstraction term  $T_1$  and every regular $_{T_1}$  set function  $F_1$ . By the small type condition for  $B$ ,  $M[Y := T_1]$  is in  $sv_B^{\sigma[Y := (T_1, F_1)]}$ . By the definition of sv,  $\lambda Y.M \in sv_{\forall Y B}^{\sigma}$ .

Case ( $\forall^2 E$ )  $MT \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $MT : A'\sigma$ , so we have  $MT : A(\sigma')$ . Assume  $MT \rightarrow L$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $L \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . By IH,  $L$  is in  $sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $MT \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ .

Other cases can be proved similarly.

(3) We will use induction on  $A$  to prove  $sv_A^{\sigma} = sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . We will prove the claim for  $A$ . Then the induction hypothesis is that the claim holds for every proper subformula  $B$  of  $A$ . Suppose  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma}$ . By IH and (1), we have  $M \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$ . On the other hand, by IH and (2),  $M \in sv_{A'}^{\sigma}$  implies  $M \in sv_A^{\sigma}$ . Therefore we can conclude

$$sv_A^{\sigma'} = sv_A^{\sigma}. \quad \square$$

**Lemma 4.12** (1) If  $M$  is in  $sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$  and  $N$  is in  $sv_A^{\sigma}$ , then  $MN$  is in  $sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

(2) If  $M$  is in  $sv_{A \& B}^{\sigma}$ , then  $Mp_0$  is in  $sv_A^{\sigma}$  and  $Mp_1$  is in  $sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

(3) If  $M$  is in  $sv_{\forall x A}^{\sigma}$  and  $t$  is a first order term, then  $Mt$  is in  $sv_{A[x:=t]}^{\sigma}$ .

(4) If  $M$  is in  $sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$  and  $T$  is an abstraction term of arity  $n$ , then  $M(T\sigma)$  is in  $sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

*Proof.* (1) We will use induction on  $(|M|, \sharp M, |N|)$ . Assume  $MN \rightarrow L$ . We will show  $L \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ . Cases will be listed according to the reduction.

Case  $MN \rightarrow M'N$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $M'$  is in  $sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ . By IH for  $|M'| < |M|$ , we have  $M'N \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $MN \rightarrow MN'$ . This case is similar to the previous case.

Case  $(\lambda u.M)N \rightarrow M[u := N]$ . By the definition of  $\lambda u.M \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ , we have  $M[u := N] \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}N \rightarrow (M_1, M_2N, M_3N)_{u,v}$ . Let  $M$  be  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}$ . From the assumption  $M \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ , the following four conditions hold:  $M_1 \in SN$ ,  $M_2, M_3 \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ ,  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $M_2[u := P] \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ , and  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $M_3[v := P] \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ . We will show each clause in the definition of  $(M_1, M_2N, M_3N)_{u,v} \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ .

$M_1$  is in SN by the first condition.

By the second condition,  $M_2$  is in  $sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ . By IH for  $|M_2| \leq |M|$  and  $\sharp M_2 < \sharp M$ , we have  $M_2N \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

Similarly we have  $M_3N \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

Assume  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  and we will show  $(M_2N)[u := P] \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ . we have

$$\begin{aligned} (M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v} &\rightarrow^* (\mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle], M_2, M_3)_{u,v} \\ &\rightarrow_{\pi}^* \mathcal{C}'[\langle \langle 0, P \rangle, M_2, M_3 \rangle]_{u,v} \\ &\rightarrow \mathcal{C}'[M_2[u := P]]. \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 4.8,  $\mathcal{C}'[M_2[u := P]]$  is in  $sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv,  $M_2[u := P]$  is in  $sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ . From the above, we also have  $|M_2[u := P]| < |(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}|$ . By IH for  $|M_2[u := P]| < |(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}|$ , we have  $M_2[u := P]N \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ , that is,  $(M_2N)[u := P] \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ . Hence  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_2N)[u := P] \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

Similarly  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_3N)[v := P] \in sv_B^{\sigma}$ .

Hence we have  $(M_1, M_2N, M_3N)_{u,v} \in sv_{A \rightarrow B}^{\sigma}$ , since each clause in its definition has been shown.

Case  $(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha,u}N \rightarrow (M_1, M_2N)_{\alpha,u}$  where  $\alpha$  is  $x$  or  $X$ . This case can be proved in a similar manner to the previous case.

We have proved that  $MN \rightarrow L$  implies  $L \in sv_B^{\sigma}$  for every  $L$ . Therefore  $MN \in sv_B^{\sigma}$  holds by definition.

(2) This claim can be proved similarly to the claim (1).

(3) This claim can be proved in the same way as the claim (4).

(4) We will use induction on  $(|M|, \sharp M)$ . Assume  $M(T\sigma) \rightarrow N$ . We will show  $N \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ . Cases will be listed according to the reduction.

Case  $M(T\sigma) \rightarrow M'(T\sigma)$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $M'$  is in  $sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ . By IH for  $|M'| < |M|$ , we have  $M'(T\sigma) \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $(\lambda X.M)(T\sigma) \rightarrow M[X := T\sigma]$ . By letting  $T$  be  $T\sigma$  and  $F$  be  $sv_T^{\sigma}$  in the definition of  $\lambda X.M \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ , we have  $M[X := T\sigma] \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ . By Lemma 4.11 (3), we have  $M[X := T\sigma] \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

Case  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}(T\sigma) \rightarrow (M_1, M_2(T\sigma), M_3(T\sigma))_{u,v}$ . From the definition of  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v} \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ , the following four conditions hold:  $M_1$  is in SN,  $M_2, M_3$  are in  $sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ ,  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $M_2[u := P] \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ , and  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $M_3[v := P] \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ . We will show each clause in the definition of  $(M_1, M_2(T\sigma), M_3(T\sigma))_{u,v} \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

$M_1$  is in SN by the first condition.

$M_2$  is in  $sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$  by the second condition. By IH for  $|M_2| \leq |(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}|$  and  $\sharp M_2 < \sharp (M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}$ , we have  $M_2(T\sigma) \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

Similarly we have  $M_3(T\sigma) \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

Assume  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v} &\rightarrow^* (\mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle], M_2, M_3)_{u,v} \\ &\rightarrow_{\pi}^* \mathcal{C}'[\langle \langle 0, P \rangle, M_2, M_3 \rangle]_{u,v} \\ &\rightarrow \mathcal{C}'[M_2[u := P]]. \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 4.8, we have  $\mathcal{C}'[M_2[u := P]] \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $M_2[u := P] \in sv_{\exists X A}^{\sigma}$ . From the above,  $|M_2[u := P]| < |(M_1, M_2, M_3)_{u,v}|$  holds. By IH for  $M_2[u := P]$ , we have  $M_2[u := P](T\sigma) \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ , that is,  $(M_2(T\sigma))[u := P] \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ . Hence  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_2(T\sigma))[u := P] \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

Similarly  $M_1 \rightarrow^* \mathcal{C}[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $(M_3(T\sigma))[v := P] \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^{\sigma}$ .

We have shown each condition in the definition, so we can conclude  $(M_1, M_2(T\sigma), M_3(T\sigma))_{u,v} \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^\sigma$ .

Case  $(M_1, M_2)_{\alpha, u}(T\sigma) \rightarrow (M_1, M_2(T\sigma))_{\alpha, u}$  where  $\alpha$  is  $x$  or  $X$ . This case can be proved in the same way as the previous case.

We have proved that  $M(T\sigma) \rightarrow N$  implies  $N \in sv_{A[X:=T]}^\sigma$  for every  $N$ . Hence  $M(T\sigma)$  is in  $sv_{A[X:=T]}^\sigma$  by definition.  $\square$

**Definition 4.13** A first order valuation is a mapping that maps a first order variable to a first order term. A valuation is a mapping that maps a term variable  $u^A$  to a term of type  $A$ .

For a first order valuation  $\tau$  and a term  $M$ ,  $M\tau$  is defined as  $M[x_1 := \tau(x_1), \dots, x_n := \tau(x_n)]$  where all the free first order variables in  $M$  are  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . For a first order term  $t$ , a formula  $A$ , and an abstraction term  $T$ ,  $t\tau$ ,  $A\tau$ , and  $T\tau$  are defined in the same way as for  $M\tau$ .

For a valuation  $\rho$  and a term  $M$ ,  $M\rho$  is defined as  $M[u_1 := \rho(u_1), \dots, u_n := \rho(u_n)]$  where all the free term variables in  $M$  are  $u_1, \dots, u_n$ .

For a set valuation  $\sigma$  and a term  $M$ ,  $M\sigma$  is defined as  $M[X_1 := T_1, \dots, X_n := T_n]$  where the free predicate variables in  $M$  are  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and  $\sigma(X_i) = (T_i, F_i)$ .

The valuation  $\rho[u^A := M]$  is defined by  $(\rho[u^A := M])(u^A) = M$  and  $(\rho[u^A := M])(v^B) = \rho(v^B)$  if  $u^A \neq v^B$ . The first order valuation  $\tau[x := t]$  is defined similarly. We will write  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  to denote  $((M\tau)\sigma)\rho$ . We will also use  $t\sigma\rho$ ,  $A\sigma\rho$ , and  $T\sigma\rho$  in a similar way. Note that  $t\sigma\rho$  is always  $t$ ,  $A\sigma\rho$  is always  $A$ , and  $T\sigma\rho$  is always  $T$ .

Note that  $(u^A)[X := T] \equiv u^{A[X:=T]}$ .

**Theorem 4.14** For any set valuation  $\sigma$ , any valuation  $\rho$ , and any first order valuation  $\tau$ , if  $M : A$  is provable and  $\rho(u^{B\tau\sigma})$  is in  $sv_{B\tau}^\sigma$  for every free term variable  $u^B$  of  $M$ , then we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ .

*Proof.* We will use induction on the proof of  $M : A$ . We will consider cases according to the last rule used in the proof.

Case (Assumption). The proof is  $u^A : A$ . By the assumption, we have  $u^A\tau\sigma\rho = \rho(u^{A\tau\sigma}) \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\rightarrow I$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \\ \vdots \\ M : B \end{array}}{\lambda u^A. M : A \rightarrow B}$$

Assume  $N \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ . Let  $\rho'$  be  $\rho[u^{A\tau\sigma} := N]$ . By IH, we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho' \in sv_{B\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)[u^{A\tau\sigma} := N]$ . Then  $N \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$  implies  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)[u^{A\tau\sigma} := N] \in sv_{B\tau}^\sigma$ . Hence we have  $\lambda u^A. M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau \rightarrow B\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(\lambda u^A. M)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{(A \rightarrow B)\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\rightarrow E$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A \rightarrow B \quad N : A}{MN : B}$$

By IH, we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{(A \rightarrow B)\tau}^\sigma$  and  $N\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ . By Lemma 4.12 (1), we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)(N\tau\sigma\rho) \in sv_{B\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(MN)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{B\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\&I$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A \quad N : B}{\langle M, N \rangle : A \& B}$$

By IH, we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$  and  $N\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{B\tau}^\sigma$ . By the definition of  $sv$ , we have  $\langle M\tau\sigma\rho, N\tau\sigma\rho \rangle \in sv_{A\tau \& B\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $\langle M, N \rangle\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{(A \& B)\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\&E1$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A \& B}{Mp_0 : A}$$

By IH,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{(A \& B)\tau}^\sigma$ . By Lemma 4.12 (2), we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)p_0 \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(Mp_0)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\&E2$ ). This case is similar to the previous case.

Case ( $\forall I$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A}{\lambda x. M : \forall x A}$$

Assume that  $t$  is a first order term. We can suppose that  $x$  is fresh by replacing every free occurrence of  $x$  in the proof by a fresh variable and renaming bound variables. Let  $\tau'$  be  $\tau[x := t]$ . By IH, we have  $M\tau'\sigma\rho \in sv_{A(\tau')}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)[x := t] \in sv_{(A\tau)[x:=t]}^\sigma$  by the variable condition. Hence  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)[x := t] \in sv_{(A\tau)[x:=t]}^\sigma$  holds for any first order term  $t$ . Then by definition we have  $\lambda x. M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\forall x(A\tau)}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(\lambda x. M)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{(\forall x A)\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\forall E$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : \forall x A}{Mt : A[x := t]}$$

We can suppose that  $x$  is fresh by renaming bound variables. By IH,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{\langle\exists x A\rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . By letting  $t$  be  $t\tau$  in Lemma 4.12 (3), we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)(t\tau) \in sv_{\langle A\tau\rangle[x:=t\tau]}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(Mt)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle A[x:=t]\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\forall I$ ). This case is similar to the case ( $\&I$ ).

Case ( $\forall E$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \quad [v^B : B] \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ M : A \vee B \quad N : C \quad L : C \\ \hline (M, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} : C \end{array}}{(M, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} : C}$$

We will show each clause in the definition of  $(M\tau\sigma\rho, N\tau\sigma\rho, L\tau\sigma\rho)_{u^A\tau\sigma, v^B\tau\sigma} \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

By IH,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{\langle A \vee B \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . By Proposition 4.7,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in SN.

By IH,  $N\tau\sigma\rho$  and  $L\tau\sigma\rho$  are in  $sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Assume  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  is in  $sv_{\langle A \vee B \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . By the definition of sv,  $\langle 0, P \rangle$  is in  $sv_{\langle A \vee B \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ , so  $P$  is in  $sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$  by definition. Let  $\rho'$  be  $\rho[u^{A\tau\sigma} := P]$ . Then, by IH, we have  $N\tau\sigma\rho' \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(N\tau\sigma\rho)[u^{A\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ . Hence we can conclude that  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle 0, P \rangle]$  implies  $(N\tau\sigma\rho)[u^{A\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Similarly we can prove that  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle 1, P \rangle]$  implies  $(L\tau\sigma\rho)[v^{B\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Since we have shown each condition in the definition, we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho, N\tau\sigma\rho, L\tau\sigma\rho)_{u^A\tau\sigma, v^B\tau\sigma} \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(M, N, L)_{u^A, v^B} \tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\exists I$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A[x := t]}{\langle t, M \rangle : \exists x A}$$

We can suppose that  $x$  is fresh by renaming bound variables. By IH, we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle A[x:=t]\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle A\tau\rangle[x:=t\tau]}^\sigma$ . Hence we have  $\langle t\tau, M\tau\sigma\rho \rangle \in sv_{\exists x(A\tau)}^\sigma$ , that is,  $\langle t, M \rangle \tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle \exists x A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\exists E$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \\ \vdots \\ M : \exists x A \quad N : C \\ \hline (M, N)_{x, u^A} : C \end{array}}{(M, N)_{x, u^A} : C}$$

We can suppose that  $x$  and  $u^B$  are fresh for any type  $B$  by replacing every occurrence of  $x$  and  $u^B$  in the proof by fresh variables and renaming bound variables. By IH,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{\langle \exists x A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . By Proposition 4.7,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in SN. By IH,  $N\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Assume  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle t, P \rangle]$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $C[\langle t, P \rangle]$  is in  $sv_{\langle \exists x A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $\langle t, P \rangle \in sv_{\langle \exists x A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . Therefore  $P$  is in  $sv_{\langle A\tau\rangle[x:=t]}^\sigma$  by the definition of sv. Let  $\tau'$  be  $\tau[x := t]$  and  $\rho'$  be  $\rho[u^{(A\tau)[x:=t]\sigma} := P]$ . By IH, we have  $N\tau'\sigma\rho' \in sv_{C\tau'}^\sigma$ . From the variable condition,  $N\tau'\sigma\rho' = N\tau\sigma\rho[x := t, u^{A\tau\sigma} := P]$  and  $C\tau' = C\tau$  hold. Then we have  $(N\tau\sigma\rho)[x := t, u^{A\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ . Hence  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle t, P \rangle]$  implies  $(N\tau\sigma\rho)[x := t, u^{A\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Since we have shown each condition in the definition, we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho, N\tau\sigma\rho)_{x, u^A\tau\sigma} \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(M, N)_{x, u^A} \tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\forall^2 I$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A}{\lambda X^n. M : \forall X^n A}$$

Assume that  $T$  is an abstraction term of arity  $n$  and  $F$  is a regular $_\tau$  set function. We can suppose that  $X$  is fresh by replacing every occurrence of  $X$  in the proof by a fresh variable and renaming bound variables. Let  $\sigma'$  be  $\sigma[X := (T, F)]$ . By IH, we have  $M\tau\sigma'\rho \in sv_{A\tau'}^\sigma$ . By the variable condition, we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)[X := T] \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ . Hence  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)[X := T] \in sv_{A\tau}^{\sigma[X := (T, F)]}$  holds for any  $T$  and any  $F$ . Then by definition we have  $\lambda X. M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\forall X(A\tau)}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(\lambda X. M)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle \forall X A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\forall^2 E$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : \forall X A}{MT : A[X := T]}$$

By IH,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{\langle \forall X A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ . By letting  $T$  be  $T\tau$ ,  $M$  be  $M\tau\sigma\rho$ , and  $A$  be  $A\tau$  in Lemma 4.12 (4), we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho)(T\tau) \in sv_{\langle A\tau\rangle[X:=T\tau]}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(MT)\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle A[X:=T]\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case ( $\exists^2 I$ ). The proof is

$$\frac{M : A[X := T]}{\langle T, M \rangle : \exists X A}$$

We can suppose that  $X$  is fresh by renaming bound variables. By IH, we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle A[X:=T]\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle A\tau\rangle[X:=T\tau]}^\sigma$ . By Lemma 4.11 (3), we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau}^{\sigma[X := (T\tau, sv_{T\tau}^\sigma)]}$ . Hence we have  $\langle T\tau, M\tau\sigma\rho \rangle \in sv_{\exists X(A\tau)}^\sigma$ , that is,  $\langle T, M \rangle \tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{\langle \exists X A \rangle\tau}^\sigma$ .

Case  $(\exists^2 E)$ . The proof is

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [u^A : A] \\ \vdots \\ M : \exists X A \quad N : C \\ \hline (M, N)_{X, u^A} : C \end{array}}$$

We can suppose that  $X$  and  $u^B$  are fresh for any type  $B$  by replacing every occurrence of  $x$  and  $u^B$  in the proof by fresh variables and renaming bound variables. We will show each condition in the definition  $(M\tau\sigma\rho, N\tau\sigma\rho)_{X, u^{A\tau\sigma}} \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ . By IH,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{(\exists X A)\tau}^\sigma$ . By Proposition 4.7,  $M\tau\sigma\rho$  is in SN. By IH,  $N\tau\sigma\rho$  is in  $sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .

Assume  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle T, P \rangle]$ . By Proposition 4.8,  $C[\langle T, P \rangle]$  is in  $sv_{(\exists X A)\tau}^\sigma$ . By the definition of sv, we have  $\langle T, P \rangle \in sv_{(\exists X A)\tau}^\sigma$ . Therefore by the definition of sv we have  $P \in sv_{A\tau}^{\sigma[X := \langle T, F \rangle]}$  for some regular $_T$  set function  $F$ . Let  $\sigma'$  be  $\sigma[X := \langle T, F \rangle]$  and  $\rho'$  be  $\rho[u^{A\tau\sigma[X := T]} := P]$ . By IH, we have  $N\tau\sigma'\rho' \in sv_{C\tau}^{\sigma'}$ . From the variable condition,  $N\tau\sigma'\rho' = N\tau\sigma\rho[X := T, u^{A\tau\sigma} := P]$  holds and  $X$  does not occur in  $C\tau$ . Then we have  $sv_{C\tau}^{\sigma'} = sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$  by Lemma 4.11 (3). By combining them, we have  $(N\tau\sigma\rho)[X := T, u^{A\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ . Hence  $M\tau\sigma\rho \rightarrow^* C[\langle T, P \rangle]$  implies  $(N\tau\sigma\rho)[X := T, u^{A\tau\sigma} := P] \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$  for every  $T$  and every  $P$ .

Since we have shown each condition in the definition, we have  $(M\tau\sigma\rho, N\tau\sigma\rho)_{X, u^{A\tau\sigma}} \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $(M, N)_{X, u^{A\tau\sigma}} \in sv_{C\tau}^\sigma$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.15 (Strong normalization)** *If  $M$  is a term of  $NJ^2$ , then  $M$  is strongly normalizable.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $M : A$ . Let the first order valuation  $\tau$  and the valuation  $\rho$  be the identity function. Define the set valuation  $\sigma$  by  $\sigma(X) = (X, SN_X)$ . Then, by Theorem 4.14, we have  $M\tau\sigma\rho \in sv_{A\tau}^\sigma$ , that is,  $M \in sv_A^\sigma$ . By Proposition 4.7,  $M$  is in SN.  $\square$

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