

**Solution to exercise 5.3.13.**

(A7) is the principal type schema of the combinator S. The provability of this formula in  $LT_{\rightarrow}^t$  means that the consecution  $t \vdash (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  has a proof. Here is a proof.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\mathcal{B} \vdash \mathcal{B} \quad \mathcal{C} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{B} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\rightarrow \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{A} \quad \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{B} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\rightarrow \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{A} \quad \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\rightarrow \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}); \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\mathbf{B}' \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}); \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\mathbf{B}' \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\mathbf{W} \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{t; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (t \vdash) \\
\frac{t; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{t \vdash (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}} \quad (\vdash \rightarrow), 3\times
\end{array}$$

The proof yields a combinator, namely,  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{B}'\mathbf{B}')(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W})\mathbf{B}')$ , which is easily seen to define S.

(A13) is a closely related formula that is the principal type schema of the combinator  $\mathbf{S}'$ . We need to show that the consecution  $t \vdash (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  has a proof in  $LT_{\rightarrow}^t$ . The proof above may be slightly modified to obtain the following proof.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\mathcal{B} \vdash \mathcal{B} \quad \mathcal{C} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{B} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\rightarrow \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{A} \quad \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{B} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\rightarrow \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{A} \quad \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\rightarrow \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A}) \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}); \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\mathbf{B}' \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}); \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\mathbf{B} \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (\mathbf{W} \vdash) \\
\frac{\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{t; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}} \quad (t \vdash) \\
\frac{t; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}; \mathcal{A} \vdash \mathcal{C}}{t \vdash (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}} \quad (\vdash \rightarrow), 3\times
\end{array}$$

The combinator that we obtain from this proof is  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W})(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}')$ , which—indeed—defines  $\mathbf{S}'$ .