

Binary Binding

An Extension for the OPENMATH 2 Standard

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Status Quo

- Currently: Unrestricted Binding

$\forall x.x = x$	$\lambda x, y.x(y)$
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- But what about “ $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}.n \geq 0$ ” (all natural numbers are non-negative)
- or “ $\exists^1 n \in \mathbb{N}.prime(n) \wedge even(n)$ ” (there is exactly one even prime)
- or even “ $\lambda x, y: x \neq y. \frac{1}{x-y}$ ” (the function where it is defined)
- or “almost all participants sleep”

But can't we do without?

- We have types in OPENMATH isn't this enough?
 - Types are a decidable part of set theory built into the logic
 - a restriction mechanism can also be used for undecidable properties.
 - Example “ $\lambda x: \zeta(x) \neq 0.x^2$ ” (we do not know where the zeros are)
- but surely we can relativize,
 - yes, sometimes, e.g. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}.n \geq 0 \rightsquigarrow \forall n.n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow n \geq 0$
 - but what about more complex quantifiers?

$$\begin{aligned}& \exists^1 \textcolor{red}{n} \in \mathbb{N}. \text{prime}(n) \wedge \text{even}(n) \\&= \exists \textcolor{red}{n} \in \mathbb{N}. \text{prime}(n) \wedge \text{even}(n) \wedge \forall \textcolor{red}{m} \in \mathbb{N}. \text{prime}(m) \wedge \text{even}(m) \Rightarrow m = n \\&= \exists n. \textcolor{red}{n} \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \text{prime}(n) \wedge \text{even}(n) \wedge \forall m. (\textcolor{teal}{m} \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \text{prime}(m) \wedge \text{even}(m)) \Rightarrow m = n\end{aligned}$$

- and what about functions? $\lambda x, y: x \neq y. \frac{1}{x-y} \rightsquigarrow \lambda x, y. \text{if } x \neq y \text{ then } \frac{1}{x-y}$ leads to unwanted semantical constraints! (accepting axiom of choice)

Concrete Proposals for Extension to OPENMATH 2

- Idea: allow an optional “restriction element” as last child in `<OMBVAR>`
- Example: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. n \geq 0$

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Conclusions

- need a restriction element for reasonable markup of complex binding structures
(that is what you get, if you go away from CAS)
- will also help types
(this is a welcome side effect)
- can be executed as a conservative extension
- Δ_z need to formulate the object model
- Δ_z need to adapt the binary encoding
- I really believe that we need this
(not just causing trouble)