

Logic and Modelling

— Program Logic —

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same as for logical operators in predicate logic

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where ℓ is viewed as environment, and \mathcal{Z} has domain \mathbb{Z} , and interprets function and predicate symbols in standard manner.

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When **applied top-down**, this rule **allows** to:

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Towards Proving Partial Correctness of Fac2

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