Isabelle Tutorial:
System, HOL and Proofs

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What we will talk about

What we will talk about Isabelle with:

- Elementary Forward Proofs
- Tactic Proofs ("apply style")
- Proof Contexts and Structured Proof

Introduction to tactic backwards "apply style" proofs in Isabelle/HOL

Simple Proof Commands

- Simple (Backward) Proofs:

```
lemma  <thmname> :
  [ <contextelem>+ shows ]"<ϕ>"
  <proof>
```

  - where <contextelem> declare elements of a proof context Γ (to be discussed further)
  - where <proof> is just a call of a high-level proof method by(simp), by(auto), by(metis), by(arith) or the discharger sorry (for the moment).

Processing <proof>

- In certain global commands requiring <proof>, the system enters into a "proof mode"
- This means, a proof state is created by

$$\Gamma \vdash_{\Theta} B \Longrightarrow B$$

refined by proof methods, and the required thm is finally extracted from it.

How to Declare Structured Goals

- (Simple) Context Element Declarations are:
  - fixed variables: fix <x> [:: <τ>]
  - assumptions: assume [<thmname>:] „<ϕ>“
    and [<thmname>:] „<ϕ>“

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- In contrast (Rich) Context Elements are:
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  - assumptions: `assumes [<thmname>:] „<ϕ>“`
  - local definition: `defines <x> ≡ <t>`
  - reconsidering facts: `notes a1=b1 … an=bn`
  - intermed. results: `have [<thmname>:] „<ϕ>“<proof>`

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example:

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                Seq a (Seq b (Seq c Empty))"
        by(simp)

schematic_lemma
         m' : "conc (Seq a (Seq b Empty))(Seq c Empty) =
                              ?X"
        by(simp)
```

Backward procedures: "tactic"s

- Concept: tactic is a RELATION on thm's. (mirroring non-determinism in the choice of unifiers or premisses)
- ... implemented in SML:

  thm -> thm Seq

- ... allowing to go
  - backward (via apply(...))
  - alternatives (via back)

A Summary of Proof Methods

- low-level procedures and versions with explicit substitution:
  - assumption
  - rule_tac <subst> in <thmname>
  - erule_tac <subst> in <thmname>
  - drule_tac <subst> in <thmname>

- … where <subst> is of the form:

  x_1="ϕ_1" and x_n="ϕ_n

A Summary of Proof Methods

- low-level procedures:
  - assumption (unifies conclusion vs. a premise)
  - subst <thmname>

    does one rewrite-step
    (by instantiating the HOL subst-rule)
  - rule <thmname>

    PROLOG - like resolution step using HO-Unification
  - erule <thmname>

    elimination resolution (for ND elimination rules)
  - drule <thmname>

    destruction resolution (for ND destriction rules)

Demo IV

- Simple apply-style proofs
  - build demo4 based on demo3
  - prove apply - style:

```
lemma m : "conc (Seq a (Seq b Empty)) (Seq c Empty) =
                    Seq a (Seq b (Seq c Empty))"

lemma rev_c : "(reverse (Seq a (Seq b Empty))) =
                    (Seq b (Seq a Empty))"


lemma conc_assoc: "conc (conc xs ys) zs = conc xs (conc ys zs)"

lemma reverse_conc: "reverse(conc xs ys)=conc(reverse ys) (reverse xs

lemma reverse_reverse: "reverse (reverse xs) = xs"
```

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$$\frac{\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_m}{\beta}$$

$$\frac{\phi_1 \quad \cdots \quad \phi_i \quad \cdots \quad \phi_n}{\psi}$$

$\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n$ are current subgoals and ψ is original goal. Isabelle displays

Level ... (n subgoals)
ψ
1. ϕ_1
⋮
n. ϕ_n

$[\![\alpha_1; \ldots; \alpha_m]\!] \Longrightarrow \beta$ is rule.

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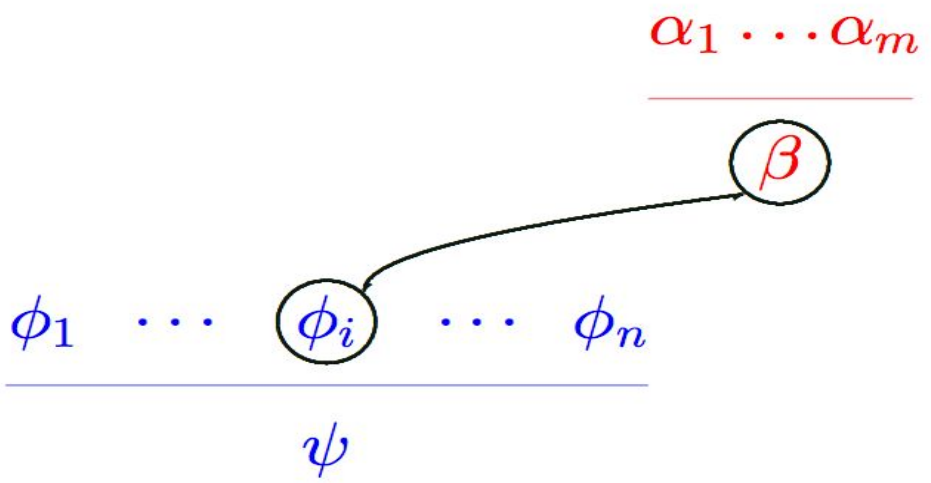

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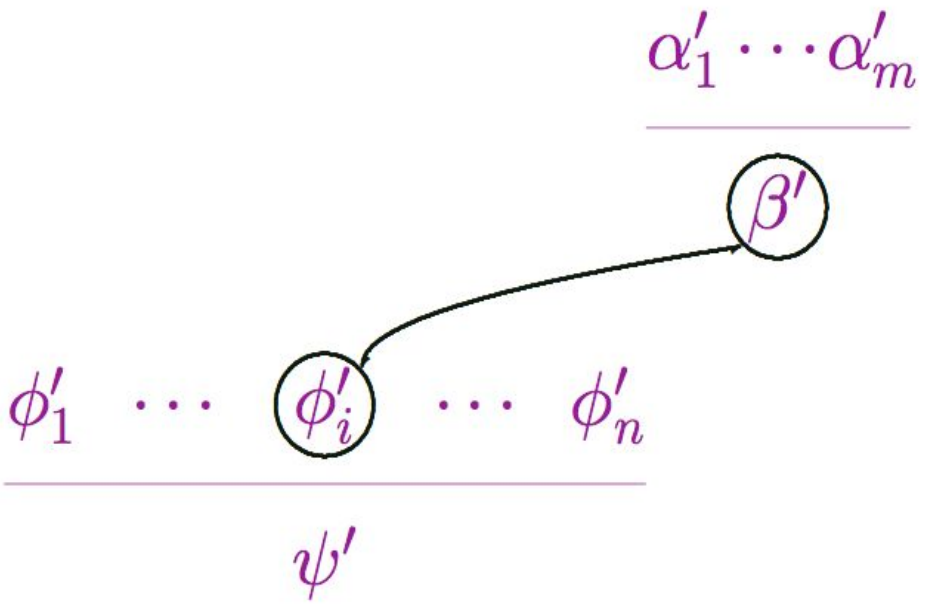

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We replace ϕ'_i by the premises of the rule.

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$$\bigwedge x. \frac{\alpha_1(x) \cdots \alpha_m(x)}{\beta(x)}$$

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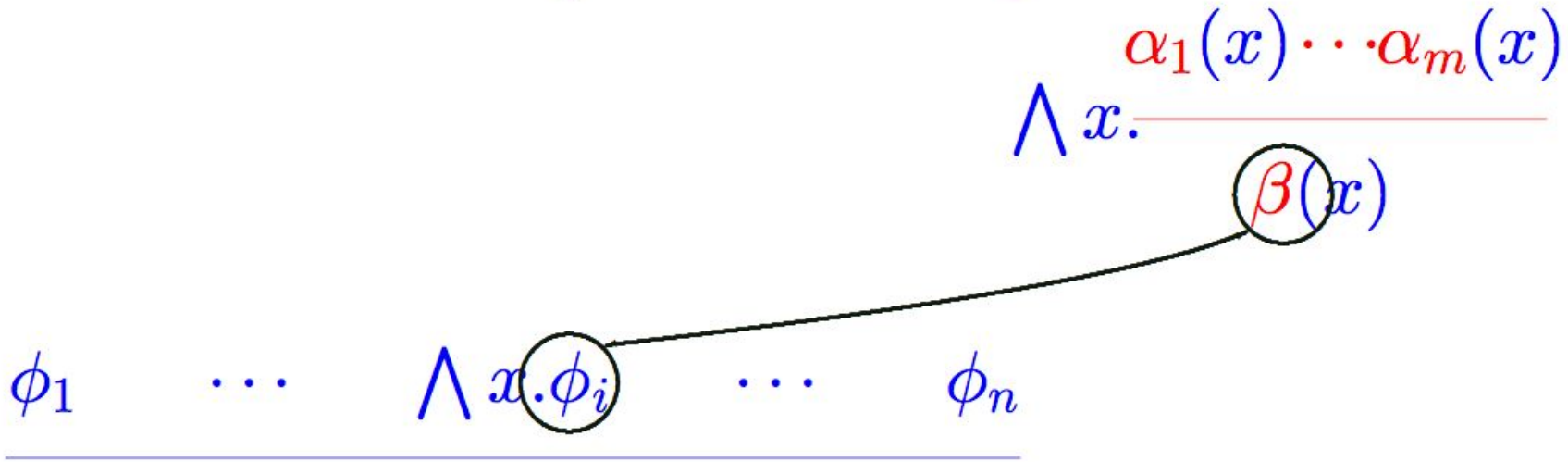

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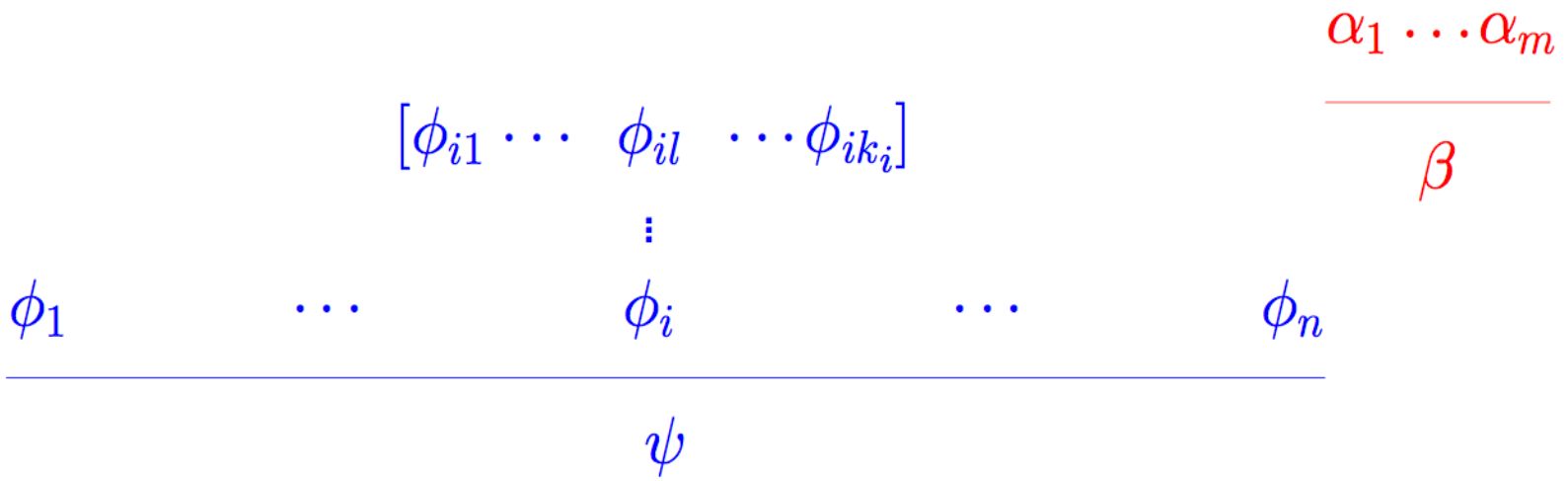

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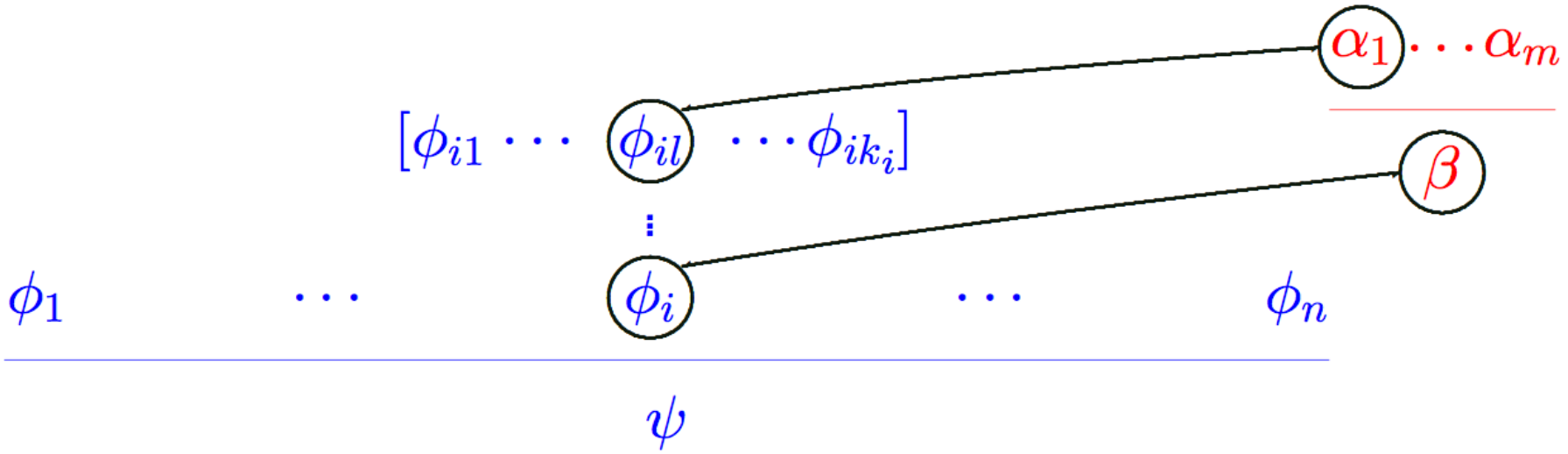

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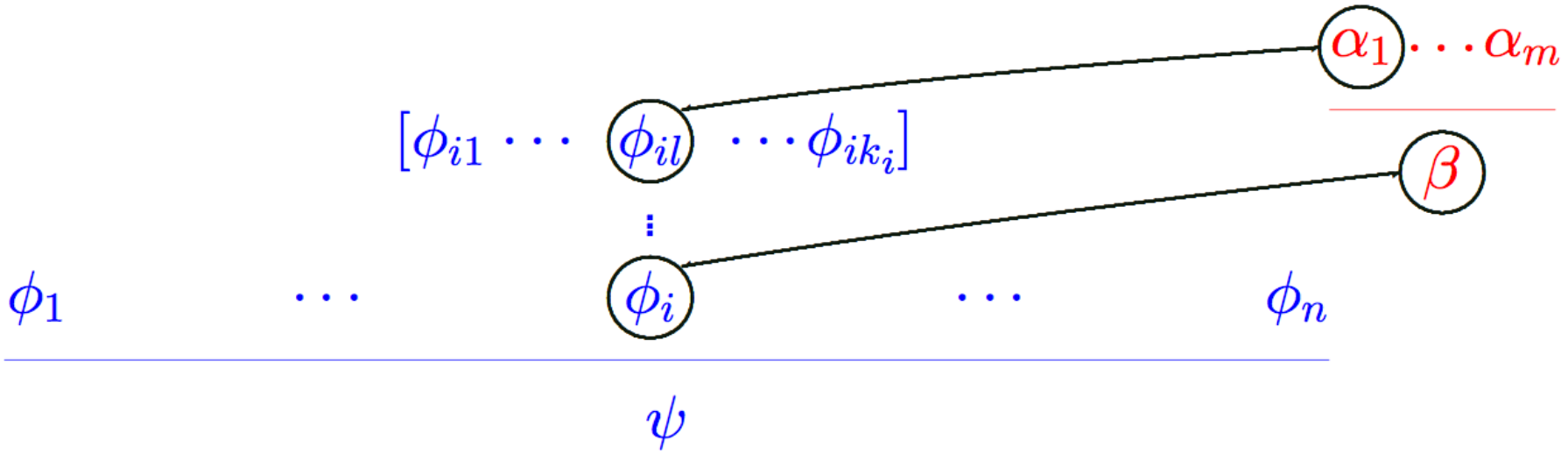

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Simple rule

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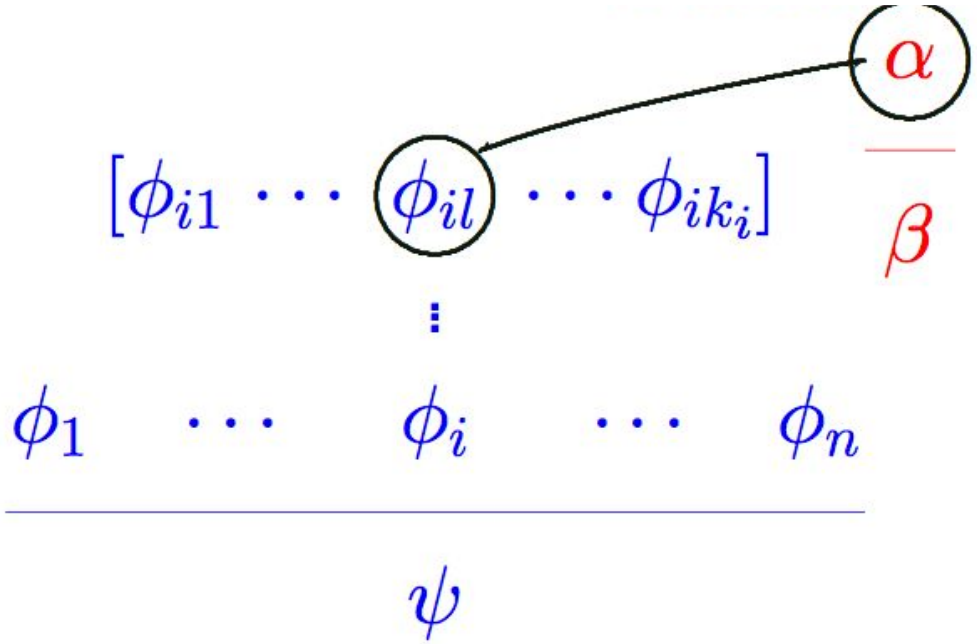

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We apply the unifier.

We replace premise ϕ'_{il} with the conclusion of the rule.

Backward Proofs: Example I

- Example:

lemma “A ∧ B ⟶ B ∧ A”
apply (rule impI)
apply (rule conjI)
apply (rule conjunct2) - schematic state
apply assumption
apply (rule conjunct1) - schematic state
apply assumption
done

Backward Proofs: Example II

- Example:

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Backward Proofs: Example III

- Example:

```
lemma ex8 1: ”(∀ x. p(x)) ⟶(∃ x. p(x))”
  apply(rule impI)
  apply(rule exI)
  apply(erule spec)
  done
```

Backward Proofs: Example IV

- Example:

lemma all_istr: "(∀x. A ⟶ B(x)) = (A ⟶ (∀x. B(x)))"

```
apply(rule iffI)          apply(rule impI)
apply(rule allI)          apply(rule mp)
apply(erule spec)         apply(assumption)
apply(rule allI)          apply(rule impI)

apply(rule spec) back

apply(drule mp)
apply(assumption)+
done
```

Demo V

- Exos
  - $(A \wedge B) \wedge (C \wedge D) \rightarrow (B \wedge C) \wedge (D \wedge A)$
  - low and high-level:

    $s\ (s\ (s\ (s\ (zero\ )))) = four \wedge p(zero\ ) \wedge$
    $(\forall x.p(x) \rightarrow p(s(s(x)))) \rightarrow p(four\ )$

  - $(\exists x.\forall y.p(x, y)) \rightarrow (\forall y.\exists x.p(x, y))$
  - $(\exists x.p(f(x))) \rightarrow (\exists x.p(x))$

A Summary of Proof Methods

- advanced procedures:
  - insert <thmname>
    inserts local and global facts into assumptions
  - induct “ϕ”

    searches for appropriate induction scheme using type information and instantiates it
  - cases “ϕ”, case_tac “ϕ”

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- advanced automated procedures:
  - simp **[**add: <thmname>+**]** **[**del: <thmname>+**]**
    [split: <thmname>+**]** **[**cong: <thmname>+**]**
  - auto **[**simp: <thmname>+**]**
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  - metis <thmname>+
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- structured proofs:
  - can be nested
  - allow to declare sub-goals
    declaratively
    (eased by pattern-matching and abbreviations)
  - subgoals were matched against the
    proof context
    (order irrelevant, lifting irrelevant)
  - allow for advanced notation
    for matching constructs following
    induction and case distinction
  - extensible (see ITP2014: “Eisbach”)

The Syntactic Category <proof>

- structured proofs:

  proof (<method>)
  <subgoal>
  {next
  <subgoal>}*
  qed

- subgoals:

  <rich context element>* show “ϕ”

Rich Proof Context Elements

- These are
  - fixed variables: fixes <x> [:: <τ>]
  - assumptions: assumes [<thmname>:] „<ϕ>“
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  - case - statements: case (<cons> <var>*)