The axioms

All instances of the following schemata and rules are axioms of the theory \mathcal{A} :

Definition

- A1 all axioms and rules of first-order predicate logic including the identity axioms.
- A2 $\overline{a} \, \overline{b} = \overline{ab}$, where a and b are arbitrary strings of symbols.
- A3 $q(\overline{a}) = \overline{\overline{a}}$
- A4 $\operatorname{sub}(\overline{a}, \overline{b}, \overline{c}) = \overline{d}$, where a and c are arbitrary strings of symbols, b is a single symbol (or, equivalently, a string of symbols of length 1), and d is the string of symbols obtained from a by replacing all occurrences of the symbol b by the strings c.