We already proved that

$$\text{If } nullable(r) \text{ then } POSIX\ (mkeps\ r)\ r$$

holds. This is essentially the "base case" for the correctness proof of the algorithm. For the "induction case" we need the following main theorem, which we are currently after:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{If} & (*) & POSIX\ v\ (der\ c\ r) \text{ and } \vdash v : der\ c\ r \\ \text{then} & & POSIX\ (inj\ r\ c\ v)\ r \end{array}$$

That means a POSIX value v is still $POSIX$ after injection. I am not sure whether this theorem is actually true in this full generality. Maybe it requires some restrictions.

If we unfold the $POSIX$ definition in the then-part, we arrive at

$$\forall v'.\ \text{if } \vdash v' : r \text{ and } |inj\ r\ c\ v| = |v'| \text{ then } |inj\ r\ c\ v| \succ_r v'$$

which is what we need to prove assuming the if-part (*) in the theorem above. Since this is a universally quantified formula, we just need to fix a v'. We can then prove the implication by assuming

$$\text{(a)}\ \ \vdash v' : r\ \ \text{and}\ \ \text{(b)}\ \ inj\ r\ c\ v = |v'|$$

and our goal is

$$(goal)\ \ inj\ r\ c\ v \succ_r v'$$

There are already two lemmas proved that can transform the assumptions (a) and (b) into

$$\text{(a*)}\ \ \vdash proj\ r\ c\ v' : der\ c\ r\ \ \text{and}\ \ \text{(b*)}\ \ c \# |v| = |v'|$$

Another lemma shows that

$$|v'| = c \# |proj\ r\ c\ v|$$

Using (b*) we can therefore infer

$$\text{(b**)}\ \ |v| = |proj\ r\ c\ v|$$

The main idea of the proof is now a simple instantiation of the assumption $POSIX\ v\ (der\ c\ r)$. If we unfold the $POSIX$ definition, we get

$$\forall v'.\ \text{if}\ \vdash v' : der\ c\ r\ \text{and}\ |v| = |v'|\ \text{then}\ v \succ_{der\ c\ r}\ v'$$

We can instantiate this v' with $proj\ r\ c\ v'$ and can use (a*) and (b**) in order to infer

$$v \succ_{der\ c\ r}\ proj\ r\ c\ v'$$

The point of the side-lemma below is that we can "add" an inj to both sides to obtain

$$inj\ r\ c\ v \succ_r\ inj\ r\ c\ (proj\ r\ c\ v')$$

Finally there is already a lemma proved that shows that an injection and projection is the identity, meaning

$$inj\ r\ c\ (proj\ r\ c\ v') = v'$$

With this we have shown our goal (pending a proof of the side-lemma next).

Side-Lemma

A side-lemma needed for the theorem above which might be true, but can also be false, is as follows:

If	(1)	$v_1 \succ_{der\ c\ r} v_2$,
	(2)	$\vdash v_1 : der\ c\ r$, and
	(3)	$\vdash v_2 : der\ c\ r$ holds,
then		$inj\ r\ c\ v_1 \succ_r inj\ r\ c\ v_2$ also holds.

It essentially states that if one value v_1 is bigger than v_2 then this ordering is preserved under injections. This is proved by induction (on the definition of $der \ldots$ this is very similar to an induction on r).

The case that is still unproved is the sequence case where we assume $r = r_1 \cdot r_2$ and also r_1 being nullable. The derivative $der\ c\ r$ is then

$$der\ c\ r = ((der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2) + (der\ c\ r_2)$$

or without the parentheses

$$der\ c\ r = (der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2$$

In this case the assumptions are

(a) $v_1 \succ_{(der\ c\ r_1)\cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2} v_2$
(b) $\vdash v_1 : (der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2$
(c) $\vdash v_2 : (der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2$
(d) $nullable(r_1)$

The induction hypotheses are

(IH1) $\forall v_1 v_2.\ v_1 \succ_{der\ c\ r_1} v_2 \wedge \vdash v_1 : der\ c\ r_1 \wedge \vdash v_2 : der\ c\ r_1 \longrightarrow inj\ r_1\ c\ v_1 \succ r_1\ inj\ r_1\ c\ v_2$

(IH2) $\forall v_1 v_2.\ v_1 \succ_{der\ c\ r_2} v_2 \wedge \vdash v_2 : der\ c\ r_2 \wedge \vdash v_2 : der\ c\ r_2 \longrightarrow inj\ r_2\ c\ v_1 \succ r_2\ inj\ r_2\ c\ v_2$

The goal is

$$(goal) \qquad inj\ (r_1 \cdot r_2)\ c\ v_1 \succ_{r_1 \cdot r_2} inj\ (r_1 \cdot r_2)\ c\ v_2$$

If we analyse how (a) could have arisen (that is make a case distinction), then we will find four cases:

LL $v_1 = Left(w_1)$, $v_2 = Left(w_2)$
LR $v_1 = Left(w_1)$, $v_2 = Right(w_2)$
RL $v_1 = Right(w_1)$, $v_2 = Left(w_2)$
RR $v_1 = Right(w_1)$, $v_2 = Right(w_2)$

We have to establish our goal in all four cases.

Case LR

The corresponding rule (instantiated) is:

$$\frac{len\,|w_1| \geq len\,|w_2|}{Left(w_1) \succ_{(der\ c\ r_1)\cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2} Right(w_2)}$$

This means we can also assume in this case

$$(e) \quad len\,|w_1| \geq len\,|w_2|$$

which is the premise of the rule above. Instantiating v_1 and v_2 in the assumptions (b) and (c) gives us

(b*) $\vdash Left(w_1) : (der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2$
(c*) $\vdash Right(w_2) : (der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2$

Since these are assumptions, we can further analyse how they could have arisen according to the rules of $\vdash \_ : \_$. This gives us two new assumptions

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\text{b}^{**}) & \vdash w_1 : (der\ c\ r_1) \cdot r_2 \\ (\text{c}^{**}) & \vdash w_2 : der\ c\ r_2 \end{array}$$

Looking at (b**) we can further analyse how this judgement could have arisen. This tells us that w_1 must have been a sequence, say $u_1 \cdot u_2$, with

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\text{b}^{***}) & \vdash u_1 : der\ c\ r_1 \\ & \vdash u_2 : r_2 \end{array}$$

Instantiating the goal means we need to prove

$$inj\ (r_1 \cdot r_2)\ c\ (Left(u_1 \cdot u_2)) \succ_{r_1 \cdot r_2} inj\ (r_1 \cdot r_2)\ c\ (Right(w_2))$$

We can simplify this according to the rules of inj:

$$(inj\ r_1\ c\ u_1) \cdot u_2 \succ_{r_1 \cdot r_2} (mkeps\ r_1) \cdot (inj\ r_2\ c\ w_2)$$

This is what we need to prove. There are only two rules that can be used to prove this judgement:

$$\frac{v_1 = v_1' \qquad v_2 \succ_{r_2} v_2'}{v_1 \cdot v_2 \succ_{r_1 \cdot r_2} v_1' \cdot v_2'} \qquad \frac{v_1 \succ_{r_1} v_1'}{v_1 \cdot v_2 \succ_{r_1 \cdot r_2} v_1' \cdot v_2'}$$

Using the left rule would mean we need to show that

$$inj\ r_1\ c\ u_1 = mkeps\ r_1$$

but this can never be the case.[1] Lets assume it would be true, then also if we flat each side, it must hold that

$$|inj\ r_1\ c\ u_1| = |mkeps\ r_1|$$

But this leads to a contradiction, because the right-hand side will be equal to the empty list, or empty string. This is because we assumed $nullable(r_1)$ and there is a lemma called `mkeps_flat` which shows this. On the other side we know by assumption (b***) and lemma `v4` that the other side needs to be a string starting with c (since we inject c into u_1). The empty string can never be equal to something starting with $c\ldots$ therefore there is a contradiction.

[1] Actually Isabelle found this out after analysing its argument. ;o)

That means we can only use the rule on the right-hand side to prove our goal. This implies we need to prove

$$inj\ r_1\ c\ u_1 \succ_{r_1} mkeps\ r_1$$

Case RL

The corresponding rule (instantiated) is:

$$\frac{len\,|w_1| > len\,|w_2|}{Right(w_1) \succ_{(der\ c\ r_1)\cdot r_2 + der\ c\ r_2} Left(w_2)}$$

Problems in the paper proof

I cannot verify