

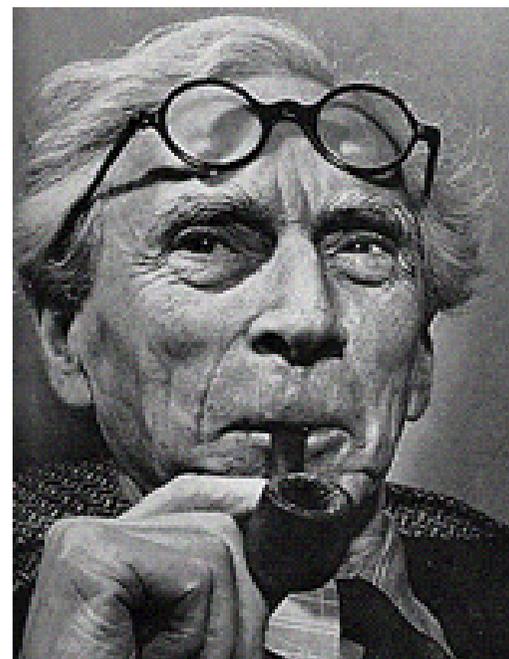
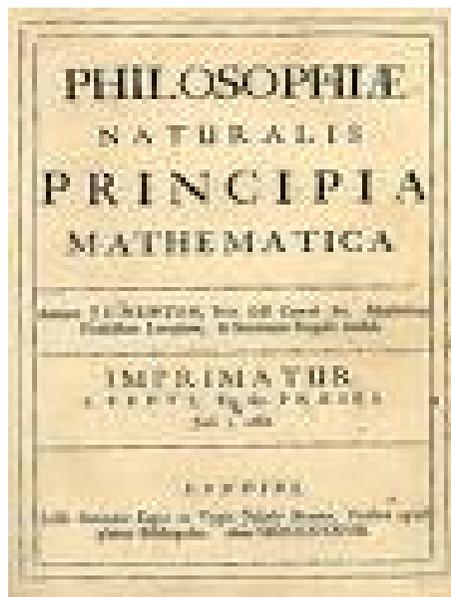
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Type Systems for Programming Languages

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Paradoxes and Russell's Type Theories

$$R = \{ X \mid X \notin X \}$$



Some history

- 1870s: formal logic (Frege), set theory (Cantor)
- 1910s: ramified types (Whitehead and Russell)
- 1930s: untyped lambda calculus (Church)
- 1940s: simply typed lambda calc. (Church)
- 1960s: Automath (de Bruijn); Curry-Howard isomorphism; Curry-Hindley type inference; Lisp, Simula, ISWIM
- 1970s: Martin-Löf type theory; System F (Girard); polymorphic lambda calc. (Reynolds); polymorphic type inference (Milner), ML, CLU

Source: D. MacQueen

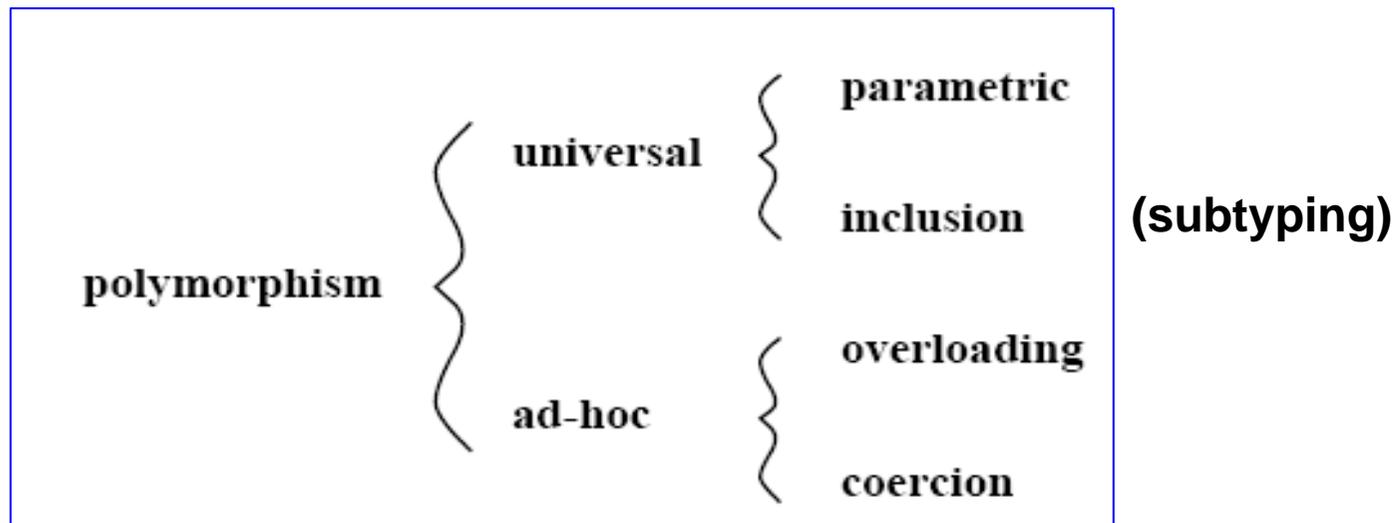
Some History (cont)

- 1980s: NuPRL, Calculus of Constructions, ELF, linear logic; subtyping (Reynolds, Cardelli, Mitchell), bounded quantification; dependent types, modules (Burstall, Lampson, MacQueen)
- 1990s: higher-order subtyping, OO type systems, object calculi; typed intermediate languages, typed assembly languages

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Objectives

- Introduce the development of type systems for modern programming languages with emphasis on functional and object-oriented languages
- Help students get familiar with the basic forms of polymorphism in PL's



Agenda

- Introduction to Type Systems
- Polymorphic Type Systems
 - The Hindley-Milner Type System
 - Parametric polymorphism in functional languages
 - Type Classes in Haskell
 - The Polymorphic Lambda Calculus (PLC)
- Subtyping Polymorphism for OOPL
 - Basics of Subtyping
 - Inheritance and Subtyping
 - F-Bounded polymorphism

Introduction to Type Systems

Type Systems for PL, 1

- What are “type systems” and what are they good for?
- “A **type system** is that part of a programming language (definition and implementation) that concerns itself with making sure that no operations are performed on inappropriate arguments.”

--Kris De Volder

- Determine types for program phrases
- Detect type errors: “abc” * “xyz”
 - Type checking

Static vs Dynamic Typing

- When to type check?

Our focus

Static type systems do static checking:
verify the a program text before the program runs.

Dynamic type systems do runtime checking:
verify the actual execution of operations while the program runs.

Dynamic checking requires that type information is present in the runtime representation of values. (This is called latent typing)

Type Systems for PL, 2

- *“A type system is a tractable syntactic method for proving the absence of certain program behaviours by classifying phrases according to the kinds of values they compute”*
 - B. Pierce, Types and Programming Languages (MIT, 2002)
- *“A type system can be regarded as calculating a kind of static approximation to the run-time behaviors of the terms in a program.” (J. Reynolds)*

Motivation of Static Typing

- **Safety**: Early detection of certain kinds of errors.
 - Type checker can guarantee **before** running a program that certain kinds of errors will not happen while the program is running.
- **Efficiency**: Optimization
 - Type declarations document static properties that can be used as safe assumptions for runtime optimizations.
- **Readability/Specification**: Documentation of “what type of thing is that?”
 - Type declarations provide information to a programmer reading the code. This information **is never outdated** (assuming the program compiles/type-check without errors).

Q: We said that “nothing is for free”... so *what’s the price for static types?*

Related Notion: Strong Typing

Strong typing vs. Static typing

1. A type system of a language is called **Strong** if it is *impossible* for any application of an operation on *inappropriate* arguments to *go undetected*.
2. When no application of an operator to arguments can lead to a run-time *type error*, the language is *strongly typed*.

- It depends on the definition of “**type errors**”.
- Yet the def of type errors is programming language specific.

In C, the phrase `int i = 4.5 + 2;` is acceptable.

But in Ada, `Real r = 4.5 + 2;` is **not** allowed.

- Most mainstream PL's do not have a formalized def of type errors! Consult the language manual?

General Language Classification

| | Static checking | Dynamic checking |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Strong typing | SML, Haskell | Scheme |
| Weak typing | C/C++ | |

•Where does Java fit?

Mixed Type Checking

- Static type checking must be overly conservative
 - May reject programs that will run without type errors
- Languages like Java uses both (mostly) static and (a bit) dynamic type checking to make a balance.
(class casting and array index bounds)

```
class B extends A { ... }  
A a = new B();  
B b = (B) a;
```

↑
Compiler inserts code to do the dynamic check

Formal Type Systems

Static ones

Formal Type Systems

- Type: a type t defines a set of possible data values
 - E.g. short in C is $\{x \mid 2^{15} - 1 \geq x \geq -2^{15}\}$
 - A value in this set is said to have type t
- **Type system:** for classifying program phrases according to the kinds (types) of values they compute

Basic:

```
true : Bool    //means true ∈ Bool
false : Bool
v : Int        if v is an Integer literal
```

Composite:

```
if e : Int and f : Int then e+f : Int
```

as an *inference rule*:

$$\frac{e : \text{Int} \quad f : \text{Int}}{e+f : \text{Int}}$$
$$\frac{\text{hypothesis}_1 \quad \text{hypothesis}_2}{\text{conclusion}}$$

Types and Type Systems

Similarly: $\frac{e:\text{bool} \quad f:\text{bool}}{e \& f:\text{bool}}$ $\frac{e:\text{int} \quad f:\text{int}}{e == f:\text{bool}}$

- What about expressions with variables such as “ $x+1$ ”?

We want to typecheck expressions like $x+1$ before substituting values for variable x . We can say:

if $x:\text{Int}$ then $x+1:\text{Int}$

and we write this as:

$x:\text{Int} \triangleright x+1 : \text{Int} \Rightarrow$ typing judgement

Typical type system “judgement”

is a *relation* between *typing environments* (Γ), program phrases (e) and type expressions (τ) that we write as

$$\Gamma \triangleright e : \tau \quad \text{or} \quad \Gamma \vdash e : \tau$$

$$\Gamma = x_1 : T_1, \dots, x_n : T_n$$

and read as “given the assignment of types to *free identifiers* of e specified by type environment Γ , then e has type τ .”

E.g.,

$$x:\text{Int}, y:\text{Int} \triangleright x+y : \text{Int}$$

is a valid judgment in SML.

Formal (Static) Type Systems

- Constitute the precise, mathematical characterization of informal type systems (such as occur in the manuals of most typed languages.)
- Basis for **type soundness theorems** (for a type system):
“well-typed programs won’t produce run-time errors (of some specified kind)”

If $\Gamma \triangleright e : \tau$ then e will evaluate to a *value belongs to* τ as long as the evaluation terminates.

Two Kinds of Static Type Systems

Type Checking

- Requires the programmer to provide *explicit type declarations* for variables, procedures, etc.
- Type checker verifies consistency of annotations with how the variables, procedures, etc. are being used.

Type Inference

- Does not require explicit type declarations.
- Type inferencer “infers” types of variables, procedures, etc. from how they are defined and used in the program.

(Type reconstruction)

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Type Checking

Example: (Java)

```
Int f(Int x)
{
    return 2*x+1;
}
```

- *Explicit type declarations* provide types for key points:
f : Integer -> Integer
x : Integer
- Types of expressions deduced from type of subexpressions and operations performed on them

2 * x : Integer

2 * x + 1 : Integer

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Type Inference

Example: SML/Haskell, types are completely statically checked, but type declarations are optional

```
f x = 2*x + 1
```

- *No explicit* type declarations are required
- Types of expressions and variables are “inferred”

1 :: Int

2 :: Int

2*x :: Int

x :: Int

2*x + 1 :: Int

f :: Int -> Int

All this is done statically!!!

I.e. at compile time, *before* the program runs!

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Type Checking, Typeability and Type Inference

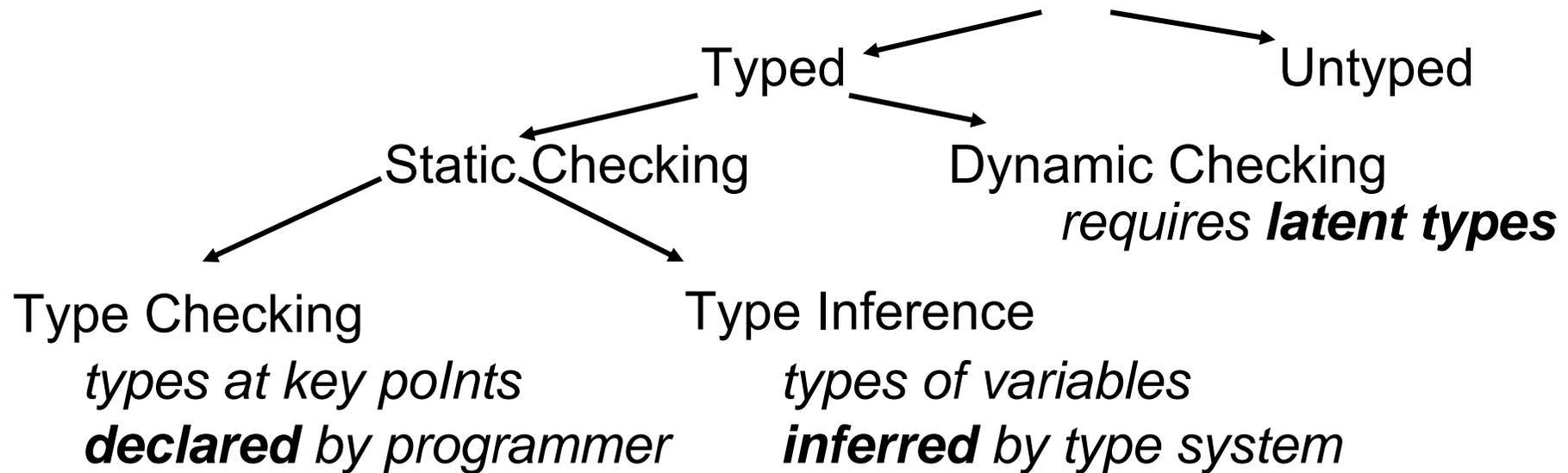
Suppose given a type system for a programming language with judgements of the form $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$.

Type-checking problem: given Γ , M , and τ , is $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ derivable in the type system?

Typeability problem: given Γ and M , is there any τ for which $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ is derivable in the type system?

Second problem is usually harder than the first. Solving it usually involves devising a *type inference algorithm* computing a τ for each Γ and M (or failing, if there is none).

Summary: Kinds of Type Systems



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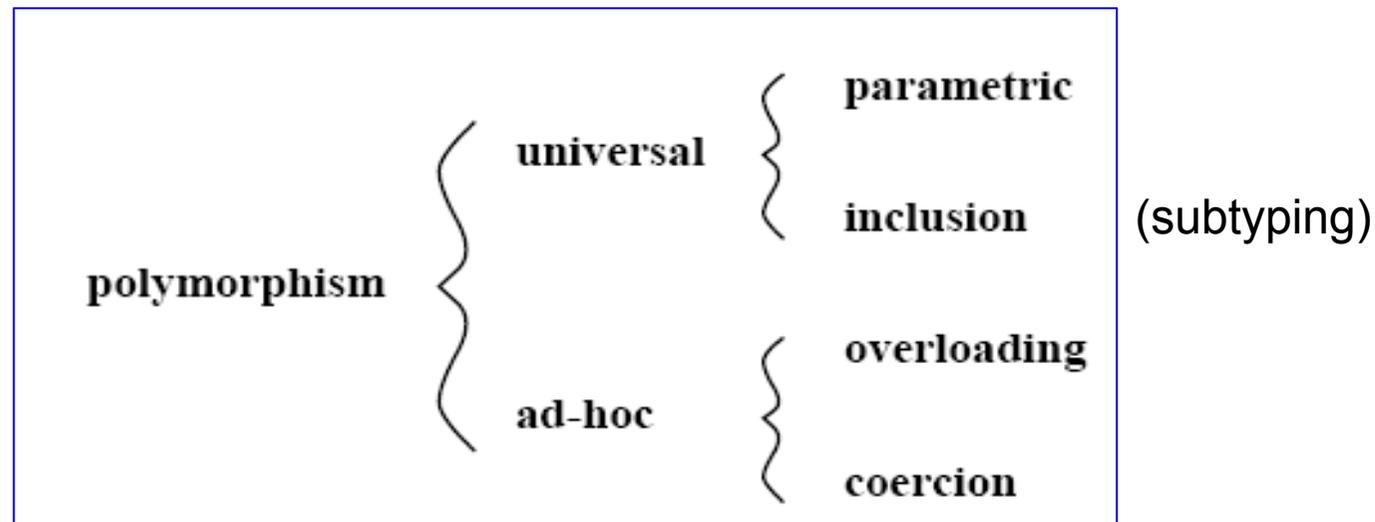
- Monomorphic vs. *polymorphic type systems*

Examples of Formal Type Systems

- The simply typed lambda calculus
- The Hindley-Milner type system (HMTS)
 - Support *parametric polymorphism*
 - Typeability is *decidable*
- The polymorphic lambda calculus
 - System F

Polymorphism = “has many types”

- Kinds of polymorphism (Cardelli & Wegner, 85):



- Parametric polymorphism* (“generics”): same expression belongs to a family of structurally related types. (E.g. in Haskell, list length function:

[]: empty list in Haskell,
And List type constructor.

length [] = 0

length (x:xs) = 1 + length xs

length has type $[\tau] \rightarrow \text{Int}$,
for all type τ

Type Variables and Type Schemes

- To formalize statements like

“length has type $[\tau] \rightarrow \text{Int}$, for all type τ ”

it is natural to introduce **type variables** α (i.e. variables for which types may be substituted), and write

length $:: \underbrace{\forall \alpha. [\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Int}}$

An example of **type scheme** in the HMTS

$[\text{Int}] \rightarrow \text{Int}$, $[\text{Char}] \rightarrow \text{Int}$, $[\text{Bool}] \rightarrow \text{Int}$, $[[\text{Float}]] \rightarrow \text{Int}$, $[[[\text{Bool}]]] \rightarrow \text{Int}$, ...

Polymorphism of let-bound variables

Example:

*let length = $\lambda l.$ if $l == nil$ 0 else $1 + length$ (tail l)
in length [1, 3, 5] + length [True, False]*

length has *type scheme* $\forall\alpha. [\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Int}$,
a polymorphic type which can be instantiated
to different types:

--in (length [1,3,5]), length has type $[\text{Int}] \rightarrow \text{Int}$

--in (length [True, False]), length has type $[\text{Bool}] \rightarrow \text{Int}$

Ad-hoc Polymorphism

- Also known as (AKA) **Overloading**.

The *same name* denotes different functions.

E.g., $+ :: \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}$, Integer addition

$+ :: \text{Float} \rightarrow \text{Float} \rightarrow \text{Float}$, Float addition

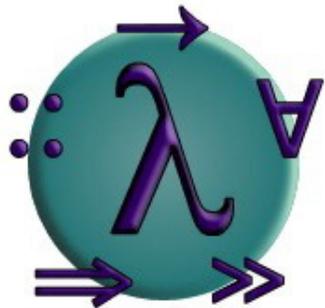
- Parametric polymorphism:

The *same function* with different types.

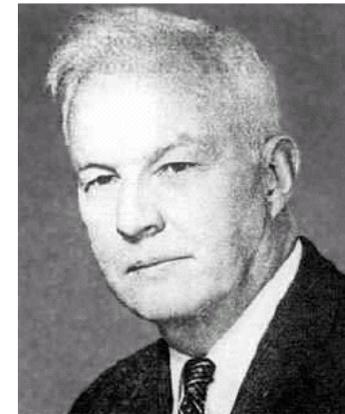
E.g, the list length function $\forall \alpha. [\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Int}$,

Mini-Haskell

Lambda Calculus with Constants



Haskell is a lazy and
purely functional language.
<http://www.haskell.org>



Haskell Curry (1900-1982)

Mini-Haskell Expression

$E ::=$ constants: 1, 2, 3, ...
'a', 'b', ...,
True, False, &&(and), ||(or), !(not)
+, -, *, ..., >, <, =,
| variable: x, y, z, ...
| $\lambda x \rightarrow E$ Function abstraction
| $E1\ E2$ Function application
| if E1 then E2 else E3 If-expr
| let x = E1 in E2 Let-expr
| $(E1, E2)$ | $[]$ | $[E1, \dots, En]$ | fst | snd | : | head | tail
| pairs lists cons

Mini-Haskell Expression Examples

`3+5, x>y+3, not (x>y) || z>0`

`(1, 'a') fst ('a', 5)`

`[True, False] x:xs tail xs`

`\x -> if x>0 then x*x else 1`

`(\x -> x*x) (4+5)`

`\f -> \x -> f (f x)`

`let f = \x-> x in (f True, f 'a') --tuple`

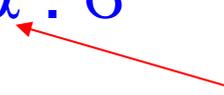
Mini-Haskell Types & Type Schemes

- Types τ :

| | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| $\tau ::= \text{Int} \mid \text{Bool} \mid \dots$ | primitive types |
| $\mid \alpha \mid \beta \mid \dots$ | type variables |
| $\mid \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2$ | function types (Right-associative) |
| $\mid (\tau_1, \tau_2)$ | pair (tuple) types |
| $\mid [\tau]$ | list types |

- Type schemes σ :

$\sigma ::= \tau \mid \forall \alpha . \sigma$

 generic type variable

Examples of Type Schemes

[Int], Bool, Char → Bool

$\forall \alpha. \alpha$

(Char, Int) → Bool

$\forall \alpha. [\alpha] \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

[Int] → (Int → Bool) → Bool

$\forall \alpha. \beta. (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow \beta$

$\equiv \forall \alpha. \forall \beta. \dots$

[Int] → β → Bool

$\forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \beta$

free type variable

Invalid type schemes

• Outermost quantification only

$\text{Int} \rightarrow \forall \alpha. \alpha$

$\forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \forall \beta. \beta$

The “generalize” relation between types schemes and types

We say a type scheme $\sigma = \forall \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n (\tau')$ *generalises* a type τ , and write $\sigma \succ \tau$ if τ can be obtained from the type τ' by simultaneously substituting some types τ_i for the type variables α_i ($i = 1, \dots, n$):

$$\tau = \tau'[\tau_1/\alpha_1, \dots, \tau_n/\alpha_n].$$

(N.B. The relation is unaffected by the particular choice of names of bound type variables in σ .)

The converse relation is called specialisation: a type τ is a *specialisation* of a type scheme σ if $\sigma \succ \tau$. *(instantiations)*

Format of Type Judgments

- A *type judgment* has the form

$$\Gamma \vdash \text{exp} : \tau$$

- exp is a Mini-Haskell expression
- τ is a Mini-Haskell type to be assigned to exp

the *typing environment* Γ is a finite function from variables to *type schemes*.

(We write $\Gamma = \{x_1 : \sigma_1, \dots, x_n : \sigma_n\}$ to indicate that Γ has domain of definition $\text{dom}(\Gamma) = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and maps each x_i to the type scheme σ_i for $i = 1..n$.)

Γ_0 is the *initial type environment* containing types for all built-in functions, e.g., $\text{fst} : \forall\alpha.\beta.(\alpha,\beta)\rightarrow\alpha$, $(:) : \forall\alpha.\alpha\rightarrow[\alpha]\rightarrow[\alpha]$

Format of Typing Rules

Assumptions

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \text{exp}_1 : \tau_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma \vdash \text{exp}_n : \tau_n}{\Gamma \vdash \text{exp} : \tau}$$

Conclusion

- Idea: Type of an expression determined by type of its **components**—*Syntax-directed*
- Rule without assumptions is called an *axiom*
- Γ may be omitted when not needed

Mini-Haskell Typing Rules, I (Axioms)

(Int) $\Gamma \vdash n : \text{Int}$ (assuming n is an Integer constant)

(Bool) $\Gamma \vdash \text{True} : \text{Bool}$ $\Gamma \vdash \text{False} : \text{Bool}$

(Var \succ) $\Gamma \vdash x : \tau$ if $\Gamma(x) = \sigma$ and $\sigma \succ \tau$

Examples: $\Gamma_0(\text{fst}) = \forall \alpha. \beta. (\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \alpha$

$\Gamma_0 \vdash \text{fst} : (\text{Int}, \text{Char}) \rightarrow \text{Int}$

$\{ f : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \} \vdash f : (\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}) \rightarrow (\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int})$

Mini-Haskell Typing Rules, II

(nil) $\Gamma \vdash [] : [\tau]$

(cons)
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e1 : \tau1 \quad \Gamma \vdash e2 : [\tau1]}{\Gamma \vdash (e1:e2) : [\tau1]}$$

Note: $[e1, e2, e3]$ is a syntactic sugar of $(e1:(e2:e3))$

(Pair)
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e1 : \tau1 \quad \Gamma \vdash e2 : \tau2}{\Gamma \vdash (e1, e2) : (\tau1, \tau2)}$$

Mini-Haskell Typing Rules, III

$$(App) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e1 : \tau1 \rightarrow \tau2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e2 : \tau1}{\Gamma \vdash (e1 \ e2) : \tau2}$$

$$(Abs) \quad \frac{\Gamma .x:\tau1 \vdash e : \tau2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x \rightarrow e : \tau1 \rightarrow \tau2} \quad \begin{array}{l} x \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma) \\ \text{or } \Gamma_x \end{array}$$

Examples:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \text{isEven} : \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash 5 : \text{Int}}{\Gamma \vdash (\text{isEven} \ 5) : \text{Bool}}$$

$$\frac{\{y : \alpha\} \vdash (y, y) : (\alpha, \alpha)}{\vdash \lambda y \rightarrow (y, y) : \alpha \rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha)}$$

Mini-Haskell Typing Rules, IV

$$(If) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e1 : Bool \quad \Gamma \vdash e2 : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash e3 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } e1 \text{ then } e2 \text{ else } e3 : \tau}$$

E.g., `if (x>0) then True else []` is *not typable*.

$$(Let) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e1 : \tau1 \quad \Gamma. x:\sigma \vdash e2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } x=e1 \text{ in } e2 : \tau} \quad x \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)$$

$$\sigma = \text{Gen}(\tau1, \Gamma) = \forall \alpha1 \dots \alpha n. \tau1 \dots$$

where $\{\alpha1, \dots, \alpha n\} = \text{FV}(\tau1) - \text{FV}(\Gamma)$

Generalization introduces *polymorphism*.

Example of Let-Polymorphism

$E \equiv \text{let } id = \lambda x \rightarrow x \text{ in } (id\ 5, id\ True)$

(1) $\Gamma \vdash \lambda x \rightarrow x : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ α is a fresh var, Gen called

(2.1) $\Gamma. id : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash id : \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}$ $\Gamma. id : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash 5 : \text{Int}$

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(2.2) $\Gamma. id : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash id : \text{Bool} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ $\Gamma. id : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash True : \text{Bool}$

 $\Gamma. id : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash id\ True : \text{Bool}$

(2.1), (2.2)

Pair

$\Gamma. id : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash (id\ 5, id\ True) : (\text{Int}, \text{Bool})$

Let

$\Gamma \vdash \text{let } id = \lambda x \rightarrow x \text{ in } (id\ 5, id\ True) : (\text{Int}, \text{Bool})$

Exercise: We can also have “*id id*” in the let-body!

Exercise of Let-Polymorphism

Derive the type for the following lambda function:

```
\x. let f = \y->x B
    in (f 1, f True) A
```

$$\Gamma_A = \{ x : \alpha \}$$

$$(1) \frac{\Gamma_A.\{ y:\beta \} \vdash x : \alpha}{\Gamma_A \vdash \lambda y.\lambda x. y : \beta \rightarrow \alpha}$$

HMTS Limitations:

λ -bound (monomorphic) vs Let-bound Variables

- Only let-bound identifiers can be instantiated differently.

$E1 \equiv \text{let } id = \lambda x \rightarrow x \text{ in } (id\ 5, id\ True)$
vs $E2 \equiv (\lambda f \rightarrow (f\ 5, f\ True))(\lambda x \rightarrow x)$ } Semantically
 $E1 = E2$, but

- Consider $\lambda f \rightarrow (f\ 5, f\ True)$:

$\{ f : ? \} \vdash (f\ 5, f\ True) : (\text{Int}, \text{Bool})$



a type only, not a type scheme to instantiate

Recall the (Abs) rule

$$\frac{\Gamma . x : \tau_1 \vdash e : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x \rightarrow e : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$$

Good Properties of the HMTS

- The HMTS for Mini-Haskell is *sound*.
 - Define a operational semantics for Mini-Haskell expressions: $Eval(expr) \rightarrow value$ or get stuck (or looping)
 - Prove that if an expression e is typable under the HMTS, then $Eval(e)$ will not stuck, and if $Eval(e) \rightarrow v$ then v is a value of the type of e .
- The typeability problem of the HMTS is *decidable*: there is *an inference algorithm* which computes the principal type scheme for any Mini-Haskell expression.
 - The W algorithm using unification

•Complexity
--PSPACE-Hard
--DEXPTIME-Complete

Principle Type Schemes for Closed Expressions, 1

- What type for “ $\lambda f.\lambda x.f\ x$ ”?

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \{ f:\text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Bool}, x:\text{Int} \} \vdash f : \text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Bool} \quad \{ f:\text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Bool}, x:\text{Int} \} \vdash x : \text{Int} \\
 \hline
 \{ f:\text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Bool}, x:\text{Int} \} \vdash f\ x : \text{Bool} \quad \text{App} \\
 \hline
 \{ f:\text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Bool} \} \vdash \lambda x.f\ x : \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \quad \text{Abs} \\
 \hline
 \{ \} \vdash \lambda f.\lambda x.f\ x : (\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \rightarrow (\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \quad \text{Abs}
 \end{array}$$

Can we derive a **more “general” type** for this expression?

Principle Type Schemes for Closed Expressions, 2

- What general type for “ $\lambda f \rightarrow \lambda x \rightarrow f x$ ”?

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \{ f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta, x : \alpha \} \vdash f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta \quad \{ f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta, x : \alpha \} \vdash x : \alpha \\
 \hline
 \{ f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta, x : \alpha \} \vdash f x : \beta \\
 \hline
 \{ f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta \} \vdash \lambda x \rightarrow f x : (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \\
 \hline
 \{ \} \vdash \lambda f \rightarrow \lambda x \rightarrow f x : \underbrace{(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}_{\text{Most general type}}
 \end{array}$$

Any instance of $(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \beta)$ is a valid type.

E.g., $(\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \rightarrow (\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Bool})$

Principle Type Schemes for Closed Expressions

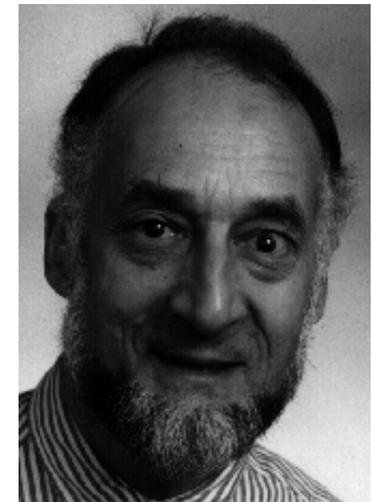
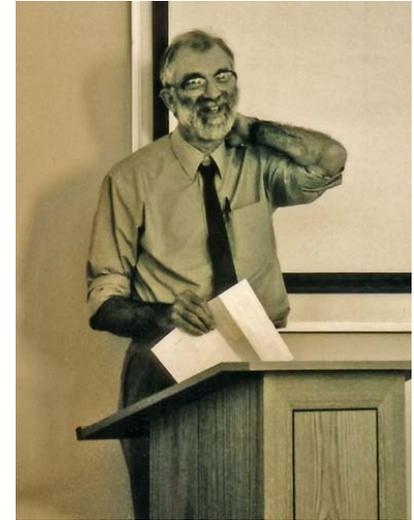
- A type scheme σ is the *principal type scheme* of a closed Mini-Haskell expression E if
 - (a) $\vdash E : \tau$ is provable and $\sigma = \text{Gen}(\tau, \{\})$
 - (b) for all τ' , if $\vdash E : \tau'$ is provable and $\sigma' = \text{Gen}(\tau', \{\})$ then $\sigma \succ \sigma'$

where by definition $\sigma \succ \sigma'$ if $\sigma' = \forall \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n. \tau'$ and $\text{FV}(\sigma) \cap \{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n\} = \{\}$ and $\sigma \succ \tau'$.

E.g., $\lambda f \rightarrow \lambda x \rightarrow f x$ has the PTS of $\forall \alpha. \beta. (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \beta)$
and $\forall \alpha. \beta. (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \succ \forall \gamma. (\gamma \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \rightarrow (\gamma \rightarrow \text{Bool})$

History

- Type checking has traditionally been done "bottom up" – if you know the types of all arguments to a function you know the type of the result.
- 1958: Haskell Curry and Robert Feys develop a *type inference algorithm* for the *simply typed lambda calculus*.
- 1969: Roger Hindley extends this work and proves his algorithm infers the most general type.
- 1978: Robin Milner, independently of Hindley's work, develops equivalent algorithm
- 2004: Java 5 Adopts the H-M algorithm and type inference becomes respectable



Appendix: Another form of the HMTS

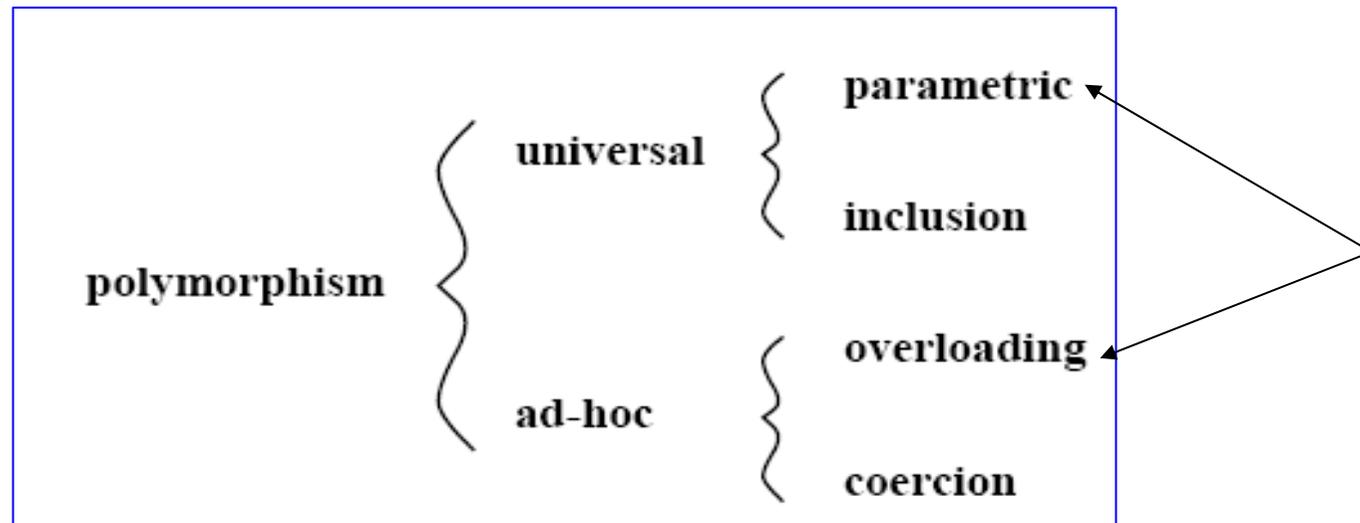
Not syntax-directed $\Gamma \vdash \text{exp} : \sigma$

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|---|-------|---|-----------------------------------|
| | TAUT: | $A \vdash x:\sigma$ | $(x:\sigma \text{ in } A)$ |
| } | INST: | $\frac{A \vdash e:\sigma}{A \vdash e:\sigma'}$ | $(\sigma > \sigma')$ |
| | GEN: | $\frac{A \vdash e:\sigma}{A \vdash e:\forall\alpha\sigma}$ | $(\alpha \text{ not free in } A)$ |
| | COMB: | $\frac{A \vdash e:\tau' \rightarrow \tau \quad A \vdash e':\tau'}{A \vdash (e \ e'):\tau}$ | |
| | ABS: | $\frac{A \cup \{x:\tau'\} \vdash e:\tau}{A \vdash (\lambda x.e):\tau' \rightarrow \tau}$ | |
| | LET: | $\frac{A \vdash e:\sigma \quad A \cup \{x:\sigma\} \vdash e':\tau}{a \vdash (\text{let } x=e \text{ in } e'):\tau}$ | |

[Damas&Milner 82]

Haskell's Type Classes

Parametric Overloading



When Overloading Meets Parametric Polymorphism

- **Overloading**: some operations can be defined for *many different data types*
 - `==`, `/=`, `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=`, defined for many types
 - `+`, `-`, `*`, defined for numeric types
- Consider the following function: `double = \x-> x+x`
 - What should be the proper type of `double`?
 - `Int -> Int` -- too specific
 - `∀a.a -> a` -- too general

Indeed, this `double` function **is not** typeable in (earlier) SML!

Type Classes—a “middle” way

- What should be the proper type of `double`?
 $\forall a. a \rightarrow a$ -- too general
- It seems like we need something “in between”, that restricts “`a`” to be from the set of all types that admit *addition operation*, say
`Num = {Int, Integer, Float, Double, etc.}`.—type class
`double :: ($\forall a \in \text{Num}$) a \rightarrow a`
- *Qualified types* generalize this by qualifying the type variable, as in $(\forall a \in \text{Num}) a \rightarrow a$, which in Haskell we write as `Num a => a -> a`
 - Note that the type signature `a -> a` is really shorthand for $\forall a. a \rightarrow a$

Type Classes

- “Num” in the previous example is called a *type class*, and should not be confused with a type constructor or a value constructor.
- “Num T” should be read “T is a member of (or an instance of) the type class Num”.
- Haskell’s type classes are one of its most innovative features.
- This capability is also called “overloading”, because one function name is used for potentially very different purposes.
- There are many *pre-defined type classes*, but you can also *define your own*.

Defining Type Classes in Haskell, 1

- In Haskell, we use **type classes** and **instance declarations** to support parametric overloading systematically.

A type is made an instance of a class by an *instance declaration*

```
class Num a where
  (+), (-), (*)  :: a -> a -> a
  negate       :: a -> a
  ...
```

- Type *a* belongs to class Num if it has '+', '-', '*', ... of proper signature defined.

```
Instance Declaration:
instance Num Int where
  (+) = IntAdd  --primitive
  (*) = IntMul  -- primitive
  (-) = IntSub  -- primitive
  ...
```

- Type **Int** is an instance of class Num

Defining Type Classes in Haskell, 2

In Haskell, the *qualified type* for double

`double x = x + x ::`

type predicate

`∀ a. Num a => a->a`

I.e., we can apply *double* to only types which are instances of class `Num`.

`double 12 --OK`

`double 3.4 --OK`

`double "abc" --Error unless String is an instance
--of class Num,`

Constrained polymorphism

- Ordinary parametric polymorphism

$f :: a \rightarrow a$

"f is of type $a \rightarrow a$ for any type a "

- Overloading using *qualified types*

$f :: C\ a \Rightarrow a \rightarrow a$

"f is of type $a \rightarrow a$ for any type a belonging to the type class C "

- Think of a Qualified Type as a type with a **Predicate set**, also called **context** in Haskell.

Type Classes and Overloading

`double :: \forall a. Num a => a -> a`

The type predicate “`Num a`” will be supported by an additional (dictionary) parameter.

In Haskell, the function *double* is translated into

```
double NumDict x =  
    (select (+) from NumDict) x x
```

Similar to

```
double add x = x `add` x -- add x x
```

Type Classes and Overloading

Dictionary for (type class, type) is created by the *Instance declaration*.

```
instance Num Int where
  (+) = IntAdd  --primitive
  (*) = IntMul   -- primitive
  (-) = IntSub   -- primitive
  ...
```

Create a dictionary called *IntNumDict*, and
“double 3” will be translated to
double intNumDict 3

Another Example: Equality

- Like addition, *equality* is not defined on all types (how do we test the equality of two functions, for example?).
- So the equality operator (`==`) in Haskell has type `Eq a => a -> a -> Bool`. For example:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>42 == 42</code> | <code>→ True</code> |
| <code>`a` == `a`</code> | <code>→ True</code> |
| <code>`a` == 42</code> | <code>→ << type error! >></code> (types don't match) |
| <code>(+1) == (\x->x+1)</code> | <code>→ << type error! >></code> (<code>(->)</code> is not an instance of <code>Eq</code>) |

- Note: the type errors occur *at compile time!*

Equality, cont'd

- Eq is defined by this *type class declaration*:

```
class Eq a where
  (==), (/=)    :: a -> a -> Bool
  x /= y       = not (x == y)
  x == y       = not (x /= y)
```

- The last two lines are *default methods* for the operators defined to be in this class.
- So the instance declarations for Eq only needs to define the "==" method.

Defining class `instances` (1)

- Make pre-existing classes instances of type class:

```
instance Eq Integer where
```

```
    x == y = x `integerEq` y
```

```
instance Eq Float where
```

```
    x == y = x `floatEq` y
```

- (assumes `integerEq` and `floatEq` functions exist)

```
instance Eq Bool where
  True  == True  = True
  False == False = True
  _     == _     = False
```

Defining class instances (2)

- Do same for composite data types, such as **tuples** (**pairs**).

```
instance (Eq a, Eq b) => Eq (a, b) where
    (x1, y1) == (x2, y2) = (x1==x2) &&
                          (y1==y2)
```

- Note the context: **(Eq a, Eq b) => ...**

Defining class instances (3)

- Do same for composite data types, such as [lists](#).

```
instance Eq a => Eq [a] where
  [] == []           = True
  (x:xs) == (y:ys)  = x==y && xs==ys
  _      == _       = False
```

- Note the context: **Eq a => ...**

Functions Requiring Context Constraints

- Consider the following **list element testing** function:

```
elem :: Eq a => a -> [a] -> Bool
```

```
elem x [] = False
```

```
elem x (y:ys) = (x == y) || elem x ys
```

```
>elem 5 [1, 3, 5, 7]
```

```
True
```

```
>elem 'a' "This is an example"
```

```
False
```

Context Constraints (cont'd)

```
succ :: Int -> Int
```

```
succ = (+1)
```

`elem succ [succ]` causes an error

```
ERROR - Illegal Haskell 98 class constraint  
in inferred type
```

```
*** Expression : elem succ [succ]
```

```
*** Type       : Eq (Int -> Int) => Bool
```

which conveys the fact that `Int -> Int` is not an instance of the `Eq` class.

Other useful type classes

- Comparable types:

`Ord` → `<` `<=` `>` `>=`

- Printable types:

`Show` → `show` where

`show :: (Show a) => a -> String`

- Numeric types:

`Num` → `+` `-` `*` `negate` `abs` etc.

Super/Subclasses

- Subclasses in Haskell are more a *syntactic mechanism*.
- Class Ord is a subclass of Eq.

```
class Eq a => Ord a where
  (<), (>), (<=), (>=) :: a -> a -> Bool
  max, min :: a -> a -> a

  x < y = x <= y && x /= y
  x >= y = y <= x
  x > y = y <= x && x /= y

  max x y | x <= y    = y
           | otherwise = x
  min x y | x <= y    = x
           | otherwise = y
```

“=>” is misleading!

Note: If type T belongs to *Ord*, then T must also belong to *Eq*

Class hierarchies

- Classes can be hierarchically structured

```
class Eq a where ...
```

```
class Eq a => Ord a where ...
```

```
class Ord a => Bounded a where  
  minBound, maxBound :: a
```

```
class (Eq a, Show a) => Num a where  
  (+), (-), (*) :: a -> a -> a ...
```

```
class (Num a, Ord a) => Real a where  
  toRational :: a -> Rational
```

```
class (Real a, Enum a) => Integral a where  
  quot, rem, div, mod :: a -> a -> a ...
```

Source: D. Basin

Appendix: Typing Rules for Qualified Types

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Standard rules: | (var) | $\frac{(x:\sigma) \in A}{P \mid A \vdash x : \sigma}$ |
| | $(\rightarrow E)$ | $\frac{P \mid A \vdash M : \tau' \rightarrow \tau \quad P \mid A \vdash N : \tau'}{P \mid A \vdash MN : \tau}$ |
| | $(\rightarrow I)$ | $\frac{P \mid A_x, x:\tau' \vdash M : \tau}{P \mid A \vdash \lambda x.M : \tau' \rightarrow \tau}$ |
| Qualified types: | $(\Rightarrow E)$ | $\frac{P \mid A \vdash M : \pi \Rightarrow \rho \quad P \Vdash \pi}{P \mid A \vdash M : \rho}$ |
| | $(\Rightarrow I)$ | $\frac{P, \pi \mid A \vdash M : \rho}{P \mid A \vdash M : \pi \Rightarrow \rho}$ |
| Polymorphism: | $(\forall E)$ | $\frac{P \mid A \vdash M : \forall t.\sigma}{P \mid A \vdash M : [\tau/t]\sigma}$ |
| | $(\forall I)$ | $\frac{P \mid A \vdash M : \sigma \quad t \notin TV(A) \cup TV(P)}{P \mid A \vdash M : \forall t.\sigma}$ |
| Local Definition: | (let) | $\frac{P \mid A \vdash M : \sigma \quad Q \mid A_x, x:\sigma \vdash N : \tau}{P \cup Q \mid A \vdash (\mathbf{let} \ x = M \ \mathbf{in} \ N) : \tau}$ |

Appendix: Entailment Rules

- $P \Vdash Q$: pronounce as “ P entails Q ”
- Three general rules, two for type class constraints specifically

$P \Vdash P$ Entailment relation

$$\frac{P \supseteq Q}{P \Vdash Q} \text{ (MONO)} \quad \frac{P \Vdash Q \quad Q \Vdash R}{P \Vdash R} \text{ (TRANS)} \quad \frac{P \Vdash Q}{SP \Vdash SQ} \text{ (CLOSED)}$$

$$\frac{P \Vdash \pi_1 \quad \pi_2 \in Q \quad \mathbf{class} \ Q \Rightarrow \pi_1}{P \Vdash \pi_2} \text{ (SUPER)}$$

$$\frac{P \Vdash Q \quad \mathbf{instance} \ Q \Rightarrow \pi}{P \Vdash \pi} \text{ (INST)}$$

Appendix: Syntax-Directed Typing Rules for Qualified Types

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (var)^s \quad \frac{(x:\sigma) \in A}{P \mid A \vdash^s x : \tau} \quad (P \Rightarrow \tau) \leq \sigma \\
 (\rightarrow E)^s \quad \frac{P \mid A \vdash^s M : \tau' \rightarrow \tau \quad P \mid A \vdash^s N : \tau'}{P \mid A \vdash^s MN : \tau} \\
 (\rightarrow I)^s \quad \frac{P \mid A_x, x:\tau' \vdash^s M : \tau}{P \mid A \vdash^s \lambda x.M : \tau' \rightarrow \tau} \\
 (let)^s \quad \frac{P \mid A \vdash^s M : \tau \quad P' \mid A_x, x:\sigma \vdash^s N : \tau'}{P' \mid A \vdash^s (\mathbf{let} \ x = M \ \mathbf{in} \ N) : \tau'} \quad \sigma = Gen(A, P \Rightarrow \tau)
 \end{array}$$

[Jones 92]

Agenda

- Introduction to Type Systems
- Polymorphic Type Systems
 - The Hindley-Milner Type System
 - Parametric polymorphism in functional languages
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 - Basics of Subtyping
 - Inheritance and Subtyping
 - F-Bounded polymorphism

Explicitly versus Implicitly Typed Languages

Implicit: little or no type information is included in program phrases and typings have to be inferred (ideally, entirely at compile-time). (E.g. Standard ML.)

Explicit: most, if not all, types for phrases are explicitly part of the syntax. (E.g. Java.)

Implicitly typed version: $\lambda f.\lambda x.f x$

Explicitly typed version: $\lambda x:\text{Int}. x+1$

$\Lambda\alpha.\Lambda\beta.$ $\lambda f:\alpha\rightarrow\beta.\lambda x:\beta.f x$ --Type generalization and type parameters

Explicitly Typed Languages

- The Simply Typed Lambda Calculus
 - Curry-Howard Isomorphism
- The Polymorphic Lambda Calculus

The Simply Typed Lambda Calculus $\lambda \rightarrow$

- The simply typed lambda calculus was originally introduced by [Alonzo Church](#) in 1940 as an attempt to avoid paradoxical uses of the [untyped lambda calculus](#).
- Types are “simple,” meaning not polymorphic

Type τ

$\tau ::= \alpha \mid \beta \mid \dots$
 $\mid \tau \rightarrow \tau$

Expression e

$e ::= x \mid y \mid \dots$
 $\mid \lambda x:\tau. e$
 $\mid e_1 e_2$

□ The typing judgment

$\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$

□ Typing rules

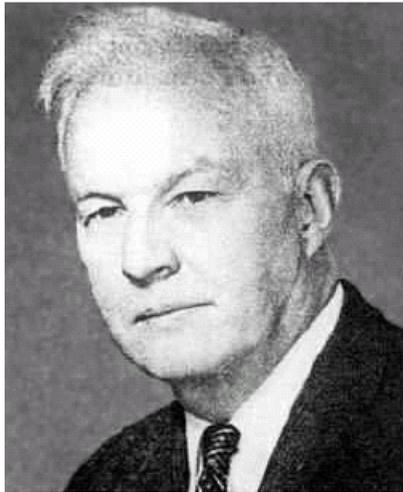
$$\frac{x : \tau \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \tau}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \tau \vdash e : \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \tau. e \vdash \tau \rightarrow \tau'}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 e_2 : \tau_2}$$

- **β -reduction is Strong normalizing**

Appendix: Curry-Howard Isomorphism



Haskell Curry (1900-1982)



William Howard

Appendix: Curry-Howard Isomorphism

- Curry-Howard Isomorphism
 - First noticed by Curry in 1960
 - First published by Howard in 1980
- Fundamental ideas:
 - Proofs are programs
 - Formulas are types
 - Proof rules are type checking rules
 - Proof simplification is operational semantics
 - Ideas and observations about logic are ideas and observations about programming languages

Appendix: (Simple) Curry-Howard Isomorphism

| Logic | Type System |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Proposition ϕ, ψ, \dots | Type α, β, \dots |
| Proof $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ | term (expression) $\lambda x:\alpha. e$ |

$$\Gamma \vdash \phi \rightarrow \psi \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \Gamma \vdash \mathbf{E} : \phi \rightarrow \psi$$

Appendix: Curry-Howard Isomorphism

- Formulae (Propositions) as types,
- Proofs are programs

intuitionistic logic

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B} \text{ (}\Rightarrow\text{ I)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \Rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash B} \text{ (}\Rightarrow\text{ E)}$$

Typed Lambda Calculus

$$\frac{\Gamma, x:A \vdash e : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x:A. e : A \rightarrow B} \text{ (Fun)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e1 : A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash e2 : A}{\Gamma \vdash e1 e2 : B} \text{ (App)}$$

Appendix: Curry-Howard Isomorphism

intuitionistic logic

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B} (\wedge I)$$

Typed Lambda Calculus

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : A \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : B}{\Gamma \vdash (e_1, e_2) : (A, B)} (\text{Pair})$$

$A \wedge B \rightsquigarrow \text{pair type } (A, B)$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B}{\Gamma \vdash A} (\wedge E1)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B}{\Gamma \vdash B} (\wedge E2)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : A \wedge B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fst } e : A} (\wedge E1)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : A \wedge B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{snd } e : B} (\wedge E2)$$

An Example

$$A \wedge B \rightarrow B \wedge A \iff \lambda x:(A, B).(\text{snd } x, \text{fst } x)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{\frac{[x: A \wedge B]}{(\text{snd } x) : B} \quad \frac{[x: A \wedge B]}{(\text{fst } x) : A}}{(\text{snd } x, \text{fst } x) : B \wedge A} \\ (\rightarrow I^x) \frac{}{\lambda x: (A, B).(\text{snd } x, \text{fst } x) : A \wedge B \rightarrow B \wedge A} \end{array}$$

Appendix: Curry-Howard Isomorphism

2nd-order intuitionistic logic

Polymorphic Lambda Calculus

(formula variable) a

(type variable) a

(implication) $A \Rightarrow B$

(function type) $A \rightarrow B$

(conjunction) $A \wedge B$

(pair type) $A * B$ or (A, B)

(disjunction) $A \vee B$

(sum type) $A + B$

(truth) True

(unit) unit

(falsehood) False

(void) void

(universal quant) $\forall a.A$

(universal poly) $\forall a.A$

(existential quant) $\exists a.A$

(existential poly) $\exists a.A$

The Polymorphic Lambda Calculus (PLC)

A.K.A

- Second-Order Lambda Calculus
- System F

PLC Syntax

Types

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| $\tau ::= \alpha$ | type variable |
| $\tau \rightarrow \tau$ | function type |
| $\forall \alpha (\tau)$ | \forall -type |

Expressions

| | |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| $M ::= x$ | variable |
| $\lambda x : \tau (M)$ | function abstraction |
| $M M$ | function application |
| $\Lambda \alpha (M)$ | type generalisation |
| $M \tau$ | type specialisation |

(α and x range over fixed, countably infinite sets **TyVar** and **Var** respectively.)

Source: Prof. A. Pitts

Examples of Types and Expressions of PLC

$$\alpha \rightarrow \beta \quad \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \forall \beta. \beta \quad \forall \alpha. \beta. (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow \forall \gamma. \gamma$$

- Explicitly typed expressions:

$$\text{Id} = \Lambda \alpha. \lambda x: \alpha. x \quad : \quad \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$$

Type generalization (abstraction)

- Type specialization (application):

$$(\Lambda \alpha. \lambda x: \alpha. x)(\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}) \Rightarrow \lambda x: \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}. x$$

Replace α with Int->Int

Computations (Reduction) in PLC

In PLC, $\Lambda \alpha (M)$ is an anonymous notation for the function F mapping each type τ to the value of $M[\tau/\alpha]$ (of some particular type). $F \tau$ denotes the result of applying such a function to a type.

Computation in PLC involves beta-reduction for such functions on types

$$(\Lambda \alpha (M)) \tau \rightarrow M[\tau/\alpha]$$

as well as the usual form of beta-reduction from λ -calculus

$$(\lambda x : \tau (M_1)) M_2 \rightarrow M_1[M_2/x]$$

Polymorphism in PLC, 1

Example: $\text{Id} = \Lambda\alpha. \lambda x:\alpha. x$ has type $\forall\alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$

Implicit version: Id Id

Explicit version: $(\text{Id } (\beta \rightarrow \beta)) (\text{Id } \beta)$

Example:

$\text{twice} = \Lambda\alpha. \lambda f:\alpha \rightarrow \alpha. \lambda x:\alpha. f (f x)$

has type

$\forall\alpha. (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$

which can be instantiated as required:

$\text{twice int } (\lambda x:\text{int}. x+2) 2$

$\text{twice bool } (\lambda x:\text{bool}. x) \text{ False}$

Polymorphism in PLC, 2

- Lambda-bound identifiers can be polymorphic.

Recall the example of $(\lambda f \rightarrow (f\ 5, f\ True))(\lambda x \rightarrow x)$

Now $Id = \Lambda\alpha.\lambda x:\alpha.x$ has type $\forall\alpha.\alpha \rightarrow \alpha$

In PLC, we can define it as follows:

$(\lambda f:\forall\alpha.\alpha \rightarrow \alpha.(f\ Int\ 5, f\ Bool\ True))\ (\Lambda\alpha.\lambda x:\alpha.x)$

$\rightarrow ((\Lambda\alpha.\lambda x:\alpha.x)\ Int\ 5, (\Lambda\alpha.\lambda x:\alpha.x)\ Bool\ True)$

Type Judgements of PLC

takes the form $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ where

- the *typing environment* Γ is a finite function from variables to PLC types.

(We write $\Gamma = \{x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n\}$ to indicate that Γ has domain of definition $dom(\Gamma) = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and maps each x_i to the PLC type τ_i for $i = 1..n$.)

- M is a PLC expression
- τ is a PLC type.

PLC Typing Rules

- (var) $\Gamma \vdash x : \tau$ if $(x : \tau) \in \Gamma$
- (fn)
$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash M : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1 (M) : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$$
 if $x \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)$
- (app)
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M_1 : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash M_2 : \tau_1}{\Gamma \vdash M_1 M_2 : \tau_2}$$
- (gen)
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \Lambda \alpha (M) : \forall \alpha (\tau)}$$
 if $\alpha \notin \text{ftv}(\Gamma)$
- (spec)
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \forall \alpha (\tau_1)}{\Gamma \vdash M \tau_2 : \tau_1[\tau_2/\alpha]}$$

PLC Typing Exercise

twice = $\Lambda\alpha . \lambda f:\alpha \rightarrow \alpha . \lambda x:\alpha . f (f x)$

PLC Typeability and Type-checking

Explicit typing, not type inference

Theorem.

For each PLC typing problem, $\Gamma \vdash M : ?$, there is at most one PLC type τ for which $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ is provable. Moreover there is an algorithm, *typ*, which when given any $\Gamma \vdash M : ?$ as input, returns such a τ if it exists and *FAILs* otherwise.

Corollary.

The PLC type checking problem is decidable: we can decide whether or not $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ is provable by checking whether $\text{typ}(\Gamma \vdash M : ?) = \tau$.

(N.B. equality of PLC types up to alpha-conversion is decidable.)

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Subtyping Polymorphism for Statically-Typed OOPL

- Subtyping Basics
- Objects as Records: Record Subtyping

Subtyping, 1

- Recall that a data type is *a set of values* (and a set of operations).
- Denote "**A is a subtype of B**" by **$A \leq B$** if A is a subset of B
 - Since $\text{Int} \subseteq \text{Real}$, $\text{Int} \leq \text{Real}$
- Any integers can be safely converted to a real numbers. So in any context that requires a real number, we can supply an integer.

f(100 : Real)

Subtyping, 2

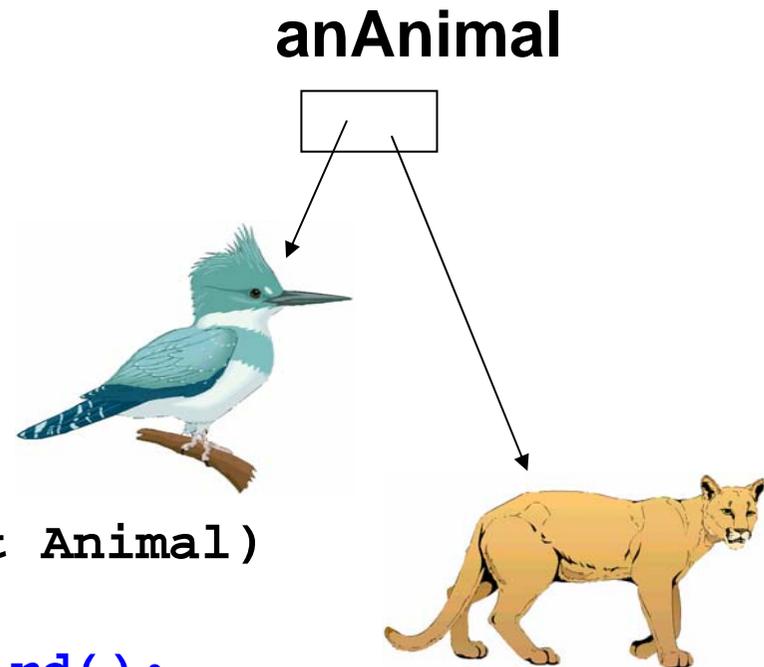
- A is a *subtype* of B if
 - any expression of type A is allowed in every context requiring an expression of type B
- Substitution principle
 - subtype polymorphism provides extensibility
- Property of types, not implementations

Principle of Substitutability in OOPL

- Most statically typed OOPL treat *classes as types*, and subclasses as subtypes. (**Inheritance = Subtyping**)

- **代父出征**--An object of a *subclass* can always be used in any context in which an object of its *superclass* was expected.

Java ex: (Bird, Tiger inherit Animal)
Animal anAnimal;
anAnimal = new Bird();
anAnimal = new Tiger();



Dynamic Method Binding in OOP

`anObject . methodName (arg_1, ..., arg_n)`

Ex: `anAnimal.eat()`

- Which method is invoked?
- It depends on the *actual type* (class) of “anObject”, not its *declared type* (class).

C++ virtual functions.

Inheritance in Java

- New classes derived from existing classes
 - Can *add fields and methods*
 - Can *use ancestor's non-private fields and methods*
 - Can *hide (override)* ancestor's methods
- **Overriding**: A class replacing an ancestor's implementation of a method with an implementation of its own. But *Signature and return type must be the same**. (no-variant rule)
- *Why such a restriction?*

*Since Java 1.5, this has been relaxed for return type.

An Inheritance Example in Java

```
class Point {
  private int x_, y_;
  Point(int x, int y) { x_ = x; y_ = y; }
  int getX() { return x_; }           // execute
  int getY() { return y_; }           // this version
  boolean equals( Point other) {
    return (this.getX() == other.getX())
      && (this.getY() == other.getY());
  }
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {
  private String c_ = "WHITE";
  ColorPoint(int x, int y) { super(x,y);
    c_="RED" }
  String getColor() { return c_; }
  boolean equals( ColorPoint other) {
    return super.equals(other) &&
      (this.getCOlor() == other.getColor());
  }
}
```

```
class Main {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    Point genpt, point;
    ColorPoint cpt;

    point = new Point(3,5);
    cpt = new ColorPoint(3,5, "GREEN");
    genpt = cpt;

    System.out.println(genpt.toString()
      + "is " + (genpt.equals(point) ? "" :
        "not ") +
      "the same as " + point); }
}
```

What's the result?

The Example: Key point

```
class Point {  
    private int x_, y_;  
    Point(int x, int y) { x_ = x; y_ = y; }  
    int getX() { return x_; }  
    int getY() { return y_; }  
    boolean equals( Point other) {  
        return (this.getX() == other.getX())  
        && (this.getY() == other.getY());  
    }  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
    private String c_ = "WHITE";  
    ColorPoint(int x, int y) { super(x,y);  
        c_="RED" }  
    String getColor() { return c_; }  
    boolean equals( ColorPoint other) {  
        return super.equals(other) &&  
        (this.getColor() == other.getColor());  
    }  
}
```

Overloading!

Not overriding!

Overloading vs Overriding

- In choosing which “*equals*” methods to execute for `genpt.equals(point)`
- We need to decide whether the “*equals(ColorPoint)*” in `ColorPoint` **overrides** the “*equals(Point)*” of the `Point`?
- If *equals(ColorPoint)* in `ColorPoint` could **override** instead of **overload** *equals(Point)*, then we would instead have a *run-time type error* (cf. Eiffel catcalls)

The Example Continued

```
class Point {
  private int x_, y_;
  Point(int x, int y) { x_ = x; y_ = y; }
  int getX() { return x_; }           // execute
  int getY() { return y_; }           // this version
  boolean equals( Point other) {
    return (this.getX() == other.getX())
      && (this.getY() == other.getY());
  }
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {
  private String c_ = "WHITE";
  ColorPoint(int x, int y) { super(x,y);
    c_="RED" }
  String getColor() { return c_; }
  boolean equals( ColorPoint other) {
    return super.equals(other) &&
      (this.getCOlor() == other.getColor());
  }
}
```

```
class Main {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    Point genpt, point;
    ColorPoint cpt;

    point = new Point(3,5);
    cpt = new ColorPoint(3,5, "GREEN");
    genpt = cpt;

    System.out.println(genpt.toString() +
      "is " + (genpt.equals(point) ? "" :
        "not ") +
      "the same as " + point);
  }
}
```

*ColorPoint@901887 is the same as
Point@3a6727*

No runtime error!

Why Restricting Method Overriding with such a strict rule?

*Signature and return type of the
overriding method must be the
same as those of the overridden
method .*

Objects As Records

A Record Subtyping Approach to Model
OO Polymorphism:

1. Simple Record Subtyping
2. Bounded Quantification [CW 85]
3. Inheritance and Subtyping
4. F-Bounded Polymorphism [Canning et al. 89]

Simple Records

- A record is a finite association of values to labels:

```
value myRecord = {a = 3, b = true}
```

- Basic operation on records: Field selection

```
myRecord.a ≡ 3
```

- Records have record types:

```
myRecord : {a: int, b: bool}
```

| | |
|---------|--|
| [Rule1] | if $e_1 : \tau_1$ and ... and $e_n : \tau_n$ then $\{a_1 = e_1, \dots, a_n = e_n\} : \{a_1 : \tau_1, \dots, a_n : \tau_n\}$ |
|---------|--|

Source: F. Negele

Motivation for Record Subtyping Polymorphism

- Consider the following (explicitly typed) function on records:

`getName = $\lambda r:\{\text{name:String}\}. r.\text{name}$`

- Problem: Simply typed lambda calculus (with records) is often too restrictive.

`(getName { name="John", age=25 })`

is **not well typed** because

`{ name="John", age=25 } : { name: String, age: Int }`

- Solution: making `{ name:String, age:Int }` a **subtype** of `{ name:String }`

Subtyping for Records

- Width subtyping

$$\{ m_1 : \tau_1, \dots, m_k : \tau_k, n : \sigma \} \\ \leq \{ m_1 : \tau_1, \dots, m_k : \tau_k \}$$

- Depth subtyping

$$\sigma_1 \leq \tau_1, \dots, \sigma_k \leq \tau_k$$

$$\{ m_1 : \sigma_1, \dots, m_k : \sigma_k \} \leq \{ m_1 : \tau_1, \dots, m_k : \tau_k \}$$

Combined:

| | |
|---------|--|
| [Rule2] | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• $\iota \leq \iota$ (ι a basic type)• $\tau_1 \leq \tau'_1, \dots, \tau_n \leq \tau'_n \Rightarrow$ $\{ a_1 : \tau_1, \dots, a_{n+m} : \tau_{n+m} \} \leq \{ a_1 : \tau'_1, \dots, a_n : \tau'_n \}$ |
|---------|--|

Simple Record Subtyping Examples

- Record type definitions:

```
type object = {}
```

```
type person = {name: string}
```

```
type student = {name: string, legi: int}
```

- The following subtype relations hold:

```
person ≤ object
```

```
student ≤ person
```

- Nested records:

```
{ member: student, group: String } ≤ { member: person }
```

The Subsumption Rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau \quad \tau \leq \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau'}$$

This rule introduces **subtyping polymorphism**.

The following function application is now well-typed.

$(\lambda r:\{\text{name:String}\}. r.\text{name}) (\{ \text{name}=\text{"John"}, \text{age}=25 \})$

Because $\{ \text{name}=\text{"John"}, \text{age}=25 \} : \{ \text{name}: \text{String} \}$

A Subtype Relation

• Intuition: $\tau \leq \sigma$ if an element of τ may be safely used wherever an element of σ is expected.

-- τ is “better” than σ

-- τ is a subset of σ

-- τ is more informative/richer than σ .

(Top) $\tau \leq \text{Top}$

(Reflexivity) $\tau \leq \tau$

(Transitivity)
$$\frac{\sigma \leq \tau \quad \tau \leq \phi}{\sigma \leq \phi}$$

• What about subtype between other types such as pair and function types?

The Subtype for Structured Types

$$\text{(List)} \quad \frac{\tau \leq \tau'}{[\tau] \leq [\tau']}$$

Covariant: $\tau \leq \sigma$
 $T[\tau] \leq T[\sigma]$

$$\text{(Pair)} \quad \frac{\tau_1 \leq \sigma_1 \quad \tau_2 \leq \sigma_2}{(\tau_1, \tau_2) \leq (\sigma_1, \sigma_2)} \quad \text{or } \tau_1 \times \tau_2$$

$$\text{(Fun)} \quad \frac{\sigma_1 \leq \tau_1 \quad \tau_2 \leq \sigma_2}{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \leq \sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2}$$

Contravariant: $\tau \leq \sigma$
 $T[\sigma] \leq T[\tau]$

(contravariant) for the argument types

Subtyping Function Types

$$\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \leq \sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2$$

• Intuition: if we have a function f of type $\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2$, then we know f accepts elements of any subtype $\sigma_1 \leq \tau_1$. Since f returns elements of type τ_2 , these results belong to any supertype σ_2 of τ_2 ($\tau_2 \leq \sigma_2$).

• It is not safe to say that $\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int} \leq \text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Real}$

But OK for $\text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Int} \leq \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Real}$

More examples:

$$\text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Int} \leq \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}$$

$$\text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Int} \leq \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Real}$$

$$(\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Real}) \rightarrow \text{Int} \leq (\text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Int}) \rightarrow \text{Real}$$

Exercise: Subtyping function types

Example: (assume “sqrt” : Real \rightarrow Real)

$f = \lambda x:\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Real}. \text{sqrt } (x^2)$ so $f : (\text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Real}) \rightarrow \text{Real}$

which types of function can safely be given to f ?

(1) If $g : \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Real}$ then of course $f(g)$ is safe.

(2) If $g : \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{int}$ then is $f(g)$ safe?

(3) If $g : \text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Int}$ then is $f(g)$ safe?

(4) If $g : \text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Real}$ then is $f(g)$ safe?

Bounded Quantification for OOPL

Bounded Quantification

- Explicit typing and Type generalization (abstraction)

$\text{getName} = \Lambda t \leq \{\text{name:String}\}. \lambda r:t. r.\text{name}$

- Type specialization (application) and reduction

$\underline{\text{getName}} \ \{\text{name:String, age:Int}\} \ \{\text{name="John", age=25}\}$
 $\rightarrow (\lambda r: \{\text{name:String, age:Int}\}. r.\text{name}) \ \{\text{name="John", age=25}\}$
 $\rightarrow \{\text{name="John", age=25}\}.\text{name}$
 $\rightarrow \text{John}$

Motivating Bounded Quantification

- Consider the type
 - SimplePoint = { x : Real, y : Real }
- and the function
 - move(sp:SimplePoint, dx:Real, dy:Real) = {
newp:=copy(sp); newp.x += dx; newp.y += dy;
return newp; }
- What is the type of move?
 - move : SimplePoint x Real x Real → SimplePoint ?
- Consider
 - ColorPoint = { x : Real, y : Real, c : Color }

Bounded Quantification & Subtyping

- What does `move(cp, 1, 1)` return?

How to get a proper return type of `ColorPoint`?

- Use Bounded quantification:

`move : $\forall t \leq \text{SimplePoint}. t \times \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow t$`

```
move =  $\Lambda t \leq \text{SimplePoint}. \lambda sp:t. \lambda dx:\text{Real}. \lambda dy:\text{Real}. \{$   
  newp:=copy(sp); newp.x += dx; newp.y += dy;  return newp; }
```

move ColorPoint cp

$\rightarrow (\lambda sp:\text{ColorPoint}. \lambda dx:\text{Real}. \lambda dy:\text{Real}. \{ \text{newp}:=\text{copy}(sp); \text{newp}.x += dx;$
 newp.y += dy; return newp; }) cp

$\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow cp$

But Objects are Recursive Records!

- It is not practical to use the type
 - SimplePoint = { x : Real, y : Real }
- “move” is usually also part of SimplePoint!

```
type Point = {  
    x : void → Real,  
    y : void → Real,  
    move : Real x Real → Point,  
    equal : Point → Boolean  
}
```

Point type is a recursive type!

Recursive Record Types

- Recursive types: $T = \mu t. F[t]$,
F is function of types.
- Recursive recorde types

type

```
Point = Rec pnt. { //Rec pnt ≡ μ pnt
  x : void → Real,
  y : void → Real,
  move : Real × Real → pnt,
  equal : pnt → Boolean
}
```

Inheritance and Subtyping

Subtyping for Recursive Types

- We need to extend the subtype relation to include recursive (record) types.
- Basic rule

If $s \leq t$ implies $A(s) \leq B(t)$

Then $\mu s.A(s) \leq \mu t.B(t)$

- Example

– $A(s) = \{ x : \text{int}, y : \text{int}, m : \text{int} \rightarrow s, c : \text{color} \}$

– $B(t) = \{ x : \text{int}, y : \text{int}, m : \text{int} \rightarrow t \}$

$\mu t.A(t) \leq \mu t.B(t)$

Inheritance and Subtyping

- Point = $\mu t. P(t)$ where

$P(t) = \{ x : \text{Real}, y : \text{Real}, \text{move} : \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow t, \text{eq} : t \rightarrow \text{Bool} \}$

- ColoredPoint = $\mu t. CP(t)$ where

$CP(t) = \{ x : \text{Real}, y : \text{Real}, c : \text{String},$
 $\text{move} : \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow t, \text{eq} : t \rightarrow \text{Bool} \}$

Is **ColoredPoint** \leq **Point** ?

No! Because of the contravariant property of the argument type to the *eq* method.

Subtyping vs. Inheritance

- In theory, “*Inheritance Is Not Subtyping*”
 - W. Cook et al, Proceedings of the 17th ACM SIGPLAN-SIGACT symposium on Principles of programming languages, Jan. 1990.
 - There are type safety issues.
- In practice, languages such as C++ and Java derives subtyping relation from inheritance.
 - Subclasses are subtypes
- How to guarantee type safety? *Stricter rules for the types of overriding virtual functions.*
 - **Signature conformance: no-variant rule**

Revisit the Inheritance Example in Java

```
class Point {
  private int x_, y_;
  Point(int x, int y) { x_ = x; y_ = y; }
  int getX() { return x_; }
  int getY() { return y_; }
  boolean equals( Point other) {
    return (this.getX() == other.getX())
    && (this.getY() == other.getY());
  }
}

class ColorPoint extends Point {
  private String c_ = "WHITE";
  ColorPoint(int x, int y) { super(x,y);
    c_="RED" }
  String getColor() { return c_; }
  boolean equals( ColorPoint other) {
    return super.equals(other) &&
    (this.getColor() == other.getColor());
  }
}
```

no-variant rule

Overloading!

Not overriding!

Covariant in Parameter Type is Dangerous

```
class Point {
  private int x_, y_;
  Point(int x, int y) { x_ = x; y_ = y; }
  int getX() { return x_; } // execute
  int getY() { return y_; } // this version
  boolean equals( Point other) {
    return (this.getX() == other.getX())
    && (this.getY() == other.getY());
  }
}
```

If this is a legal overriding,

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {
  private String c_ = "WHITE";
  ColorPoint(int x, int y) { super(x,y);
    c_="RED" }
  void toggle() { on_ = !on_; }
  String getColor() { return c_; }
  boolean equals( ColorPoint other) {
    return super.equals(other) &&
    (this.getCOlor() == other.getColor());
  }
}
```

```
class Main {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    Point genpt, point;
    ColorPoint cpt;

    point = new Point(3,5);
    cpt = new ColorPoint(3,5, "GREEN");
    genpt = cpt;

    System.out.println(genpt.toString() +
      "is " + (genpt.equals(point) ? "" :
      "not ") +
      "the same as " + point);
  }
}
```

Runtime error!

Contravariance in Return Type is Dangerous

```
class Parent {  
    Animal test ( ) {  
        return new Cat();  
    }  
}  
class Child extends Parent {  
    Mammal test ( ) {  
        return new Human();  
    }  
}
```

assume
Animal < Mammal

```
Parent aParent = new Child();  
Animal result = aParent.test(); // Error!  
// Return a mammal object.
```

Safe Change in C++ and Java 5

Covariant in return type is OK.

```
class Parent {  
public:  
    Parent * clone () { return new Parent(); }  
};
```

```
class Child : public Parent {  
public:  
    Child * clone () { return new Child(); }  
};
```

Signature Rule for Function Overriding

```
class A {  
    public RA m (PA p) ;  
}
```

```
class B extends A {  
    public RB m (PB p) ;  
}
```

- R_B must be a *subtype* of R_A: $R_B \leq R_A$
- P_B must be a *supertype* of P_A: $P_A \leq P_B$
- covariant for results, *contravariant* for parameters

Summary

- An override occurs when a method in the subclasses uses the same name:
 - In dynamically typed languages such as Smalltalk, we may run into message “doesNotUnderstand” errors.
 - In languages with static typing such as Java, we need to impose further constraints on the method’s signature and return type.
- **Novariant**: the type can neither be strengthened nor weakened.
 - Java before JDK 1.5
- **Covariant** in method return type. (subtype)
 - C++, Java 1.5
- **Contravariant** in the type of an argument. (supertype)

F-Bounded Polymorphism

Bounded quantification cannot
handle recursive records well.

Goal: Understand Java Generics Better

```
class NumList<X extends Number> {  
    X head; NumList<X> tail;  
    Byte byteHead() {  
        return this.head.byteValue();  
        //      ^^^^^^^  
        //      subsumption using X <: Number  
    }  
}
```

- Recursive bounds (F-bounded quantification)

```
interface Comparable<X> { boolean cmp(X that); }  
class CmpList<X extends Comparable<X>> {  
    X hd; CmpList<X> tl;  
    void sort() { ... this.hd.cmp(this.tl.hd) ... }  
}  
class A implements Comparable<A> {  
    boolean cmp(A that) { ... }  
}  
CmpList<A> al = ...; al.sort();
```

An Example of Recursive Record Type

- Consider the type
 - `Movable = $\mu m.$ \{ move: Real x Real -> m \}`
- and the function
 - `translate(m: Movable) =`
`{ return m.move(1.0, 1.0); }`
- What type can we assign to `translate`?
 - **`$\forall t \leq \text{Movable}. t \rightarrow \text{Movable}$`**
- Aside: The type `Movable` is an example of an "*interface*" (a la Java) of an object.
 - The primary purpose of an interface is to set an expectation of the operational behavior of an object).
 - It is called Abstract Base Class (ABC) with "pure virtual functions" in C++

Subtyping and Recursion

- Given subtyping, can **translate** be passed the parameter **p**, where
 - p : **Point** and
 - $\text{Point} = \mu p. \{ x: \text{Real}, y: \text{Real}, \text{move}: \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow p \}.$
- To answer the question, first we need to answer, is **Point** \leq **Movable**?
 - $\text{Movable} = \mu m. \{ \text{move}: \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow m \}$

If $p \leq m$ then

$\{x: \text{Real}, y: \text{Real}, \text{move}: \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow p \} \leq \{ \text{move}: \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow m \}$

Point \leq **Movable**

Bounded Quantification – Issues 1

- Having proven that **Point** \leq **Movable**, we know that if $p:Point$ then $translate(p)$ is valid.
- But what is the type of the return value in this case?

```
translate(m: Movable) =  
  { return m.move(1.0, 1.0); }
```

– Is it **Movable** or is it **Point**?

- As the type of `translate` is

– $\forall t \leq \text{Movable}. t \rightarrow \text{Movable}$
it is **Movable**!

- Although we would like it to be **Point** via the typing

Bounded Quantification – Issues 1

- If we accept it as **$t \rightarrow \text{Movable}$** ,
 - then we are losing information on the return value; i.e., we may have to implement another translate anyway.
- So, this is a limitation of bounded quantification with recursive types.
 - There are solutions to this.
 - But common OO languages do not solve them.
 - In Java, or C++
 - You have to live with the type of Move as $t \rightarrow \text{Movable}$
 - i.e. they have a rule:
 - Thou shalt not change the return type of a subtyped function!

Bounded Quantification – Issues 2

- Now consider the type
 - **Comparable = { compare : Comparable -> Bool }**
- **compare** function operates on two objects of type **Comparable**
 - one that is explicitly passed and
 - another that is accessible through the notion of "self"
- Consider the type **Complex = {x: Real, y: Real, compare: Complex->Bool}**
 - **Is Complex ≤ Comparable?**

Bounded Quantification – Issues 2

- Is **Complex** \leq **Comparable**? Apply the subtyping rule for recursive types:
 - Assume **Complex** \leq **Comparable** and (try to) prove that
$$\{ x : \text{Real}, y : \text{Real}, \text{compare} : \text{Complex} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \} \leq \{ \text{compare} : \text{Comparable} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \}$$
 - which means that we only need to prove that
$$\text{Complex} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \leq \text{Comparable} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$$
 - Apply the subtyping rule for function types:
Since, **Bool** \leq **Bool** we only need to prove that
$$\text{Comparable} \leq \text{Complex}$$
which **contradicts** the assumption unless **Comparable** = **Complex** which in turn is not true by definition.

Bounded Quantification – Issues, 2

- Consider the sorting function:

$\text{sort}(l : [\text{Comparable}]) = \dots$

If **Complex** is not a subtype of **Comparable**, we can not pass a list of complex numbers to **sort**.

$\text{sort} : \forall t \leq [\text{Comparable}]. t \rightarrow [\text{Comparable}]$

- Can we still obtain some kind of polymorphism to achieve code sharing/re-use ?

Similar Issues in Java

•Bounded quantification

```
interface Comparable {
    boolean lessThan(Comparable other);
}

class SortedList<T extends Comparable> {
    List<T> aList;
    T current;
    void insert(T newElt) {
        ...
        if (newElt.lessThan(current)){...}
        else {...}
    }
}
```

Source: K. Bruce

•Implementation

```
class Calendar implements Comparable {
    int month, day, year;
    boolean calendarLessThan (Calendar other)
    {
        return (month < other.month || ...);
    }
    public boolean lessThan(Comparable other)
    {
        if (other instanceof Calendar) {
            return
                calendarLessThan((Calendar)other);
        } else {
            raise new BadCalComparison(...);
        }
    }
}
```

//Dynamic type check and type cast

F-Bounded Quantification

- From the recursive type
 - `Comparable = { compare : Comparable -> Bool }`
- Derive a type function:
 - `FComparable(t) = { compare: t->Bool }`
- Then we get
 - `Comparable = FComparable(Comparable)`
- Now any type `S` satisfying
 - `S ≤ FComparable(S)`

can be used with functions defined on `Comparable`.

F-Bounded Quantification

- For example,
 - $Complex = \{x: Real, y: Real, compare: Complex \rightarrow Bool\}$
- we can derive
 - $Complex \leq FComparable(Complex)$
- Now given a function defined as with type
 - $copy: \underbrace{\forall t \leq FComparable(t)} . t \rightarrow t$

using a recursive inequality instead of a recursive equation
- can be invoked as
 - $copy(cx)$ where $cx:Complex$ and
- will return a value of type $Complex$.

F-Bounded Quantification in Java

```
interface FComparable<T> {  
    boolean lessThan(T other);  
}  
class SortedList<T extends FComparable<T>> {  
    List<T> aList;  
    T current; ...  
    void insert(T newElt) {  
        ...  
        if (newElt.lessThan(current)){...}  
        else {...}  
    }  
}
```

Implement **FComparable**

No dynamic type check!
No type cast!

```
class Calendar implements FComparable<Calendar> {  
    int month, day, year; ...  
    boolean lessThan(Calendar other) {  
        return (month < other.month || ...);  
    }  
}
```

The Translate Function Revisited

- From the type of Movable, we define
 - $F(t) = \{ \text{move} : \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow t \}$
- Clearly
 - $\text{Point} \leq F(\text{Point})$
- Now, if we type translate by
 - $\text{translate} : \forall t \leq F\text{-movable}(t). t \rightarrow t$
- then we get $\text{translate}(p)$ to return a value of type **Point**.

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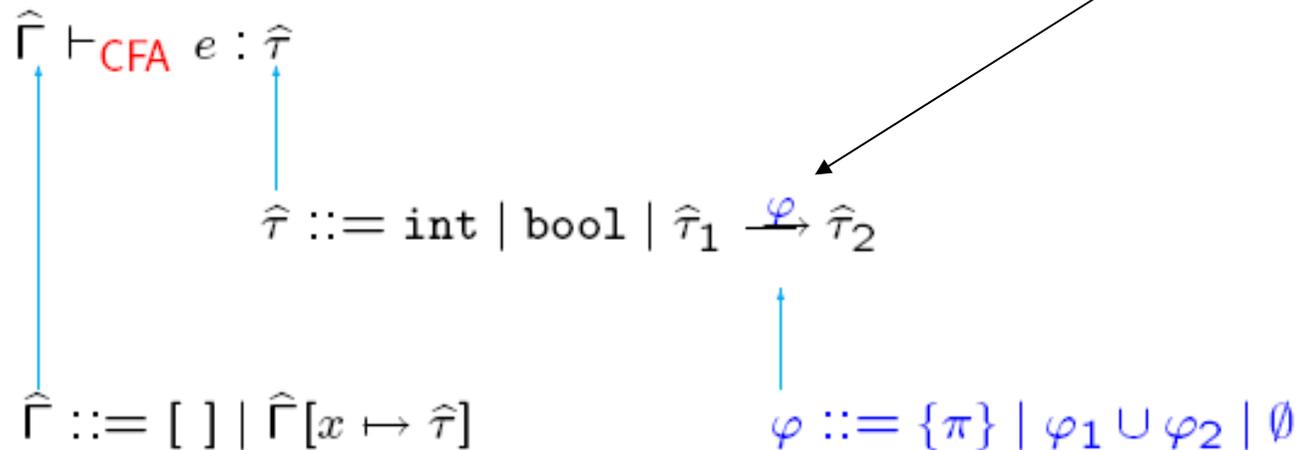
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Advanced Topics

- Static analysis using extensions of the HMTS
 - Type and Effect Systems

Example: Control Flow Analysis (CFA) using Annotated Types



Ref: Text book: Principles of Program Analysis, by F. Nielson, H. Nielson. C. Hankin

Advanced Topics

- Abstract Data Types and Existential Types
 - Ex: Counter ADT
 - $\{a = 0, f = \lambda x : \text{Int}.\text{succ}(x)\}$ – term component
 - has type $\{\exists X.\{a : X, f : X \rightarrow \text{Nat}\}\}$ – type annotation
- Recursive Types

```
NatList = nil : Unit | cons : Nat × NatList
μT. Unit + Nat × T
```
- Higher-Order Types: kinds, constructor classes in Haskell
- Module Systems and Dependent Types
 - mix types and expressions.
 - $[0 .. \text{size}(A)], \lambda x:\text{int} \lambda a:\text{array}[x]....$
 - Types involve values, so type equality involves expression equality. Undecidable for realistic languages.

A Textbook

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