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Plan

PREVIOUSLY: untyped lambda calculus

TODAY: types!!

- 1. Two example languages:
 - 1.1 typing arithmetic expressions
 - 1.2 simply typed lambda calculus (STLC)
- 2. For each:
 - 2.1 Define types
 - 2.2 Specify typing rules
 - 2.3 Prove soundness: progress and preservation

NEXT: lambda calculus extensions

NEXT: polymorphic typing

Types

Outline

- 1. begin with a set of terms, a set of values, and an evaluation relation
- define a set of types classifying values according to their "shapes"
- 3. define a *typing relation* t : T that classifies terms according to the shape of the values that result from evaluating them
- 4. check that the typing relation is sound in the sense that,
 - 4.1 if t : T and t \longrightarrow v, then v : T
 - 4.2 if t : T, then evaluation of t will not get stuck

Review: Arithmetic Expressions – Syntax

```
t ::=
                                                terms
        true
                                                 constant true
        false
                                                 constant false
                                                 conditional
        if t then t else t
                                                 constant zero
        succ t
                                                 successor
                                                 predecessor
        pred t
        iszero t
                                                 zero test
                                               values
                                                 true value
        true
        false
                                                 false value
                                                 numeric value
        nv
                                               numeric values
nv ::=
                                                 zero value
                                                 successor value
        succ nv
```

Evaluation Rules

$$\frac{t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'}{\text{succ } t_1 \longrightarrow \text{succ } t_1'} \qquad \text{(E-Succ)}$$

$$\text{pred } 0 \longrightarrow 0 \qquad \text{(E-PREDZERO)}$$

$$\text{pred (succ } \text{nv}_1) \longrightarrow \text{nv}_1 \qquad \text{(E-PREDSUCC)}$$

$$\frac{t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'}{\text{pred } t_1 \longrightarrow \text{pred } t_1'} \qquad \text{(E-PRED)}$$

$$\text{iszero } 0 \longrightarrow \text{true} \qquad \text{(E-ISZEROZERO)}$$

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Types

In this language, values have two possible "shapes": they are either booleans or numbers.

T ::=

 Bool

Nat

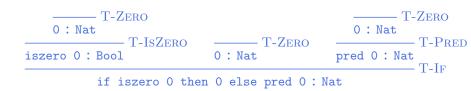
types type of booleans type of numbers

Typing Rules

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                                           (T-IF)
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                                        (T-Zero)
           t_1: Nat
                                        (T-Succ)
        succ t_1 : Nat
           t<sub>1</sub>: Nat
                                        (T-Pred)
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Typing Derivations

Every pair (t,T) in the typing relation can be justified by a derivation tree built from instances of the inference rules.



Proofs of properties about the typing relation often proceed by induction on typing derivations.

Imprecision of Typing

Like other static program analyses, type systems are generally *imprecise*: they do not predict exactly what kind of value will be returned by every program, but just a conservative (safe) approximation.

$$\frac{\mathsf{t}_1 : \mathsf{Bool}}{\mathsf{if} \ \mathsf{t}_1 \ \mathsf{then} \ \mathsf{t}_2 : \mathsf{T} } \quad \mathsf{t}_3 : \mathsf{T}$$
 (T-IF)

Using this rule, we cannot assign a type to

if true then 0 else false

even though this term will certainly evaluate to a number.

Type Safety

The safety (or soundness) of this type system can be expressed by two properties:

1. Progress: A well-typed term is not stuck

If t:T, then either t is a value or else $t\longrightarrow t'$ for some t'.

2. Preservation: Types are preserved by one-step evaluation

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This leads directly to a recursive algorithm for calculating the type of a term...

Typechecking Algorithm

```
typeof(t) = if t = true then Bool
            else if t = false then Bool
            else if t = if t1 then t2 else t3 then
              let T1 = typeof(t1) in
              let T2 = typeof(t2) in
              let T3 = typeof(t3) in
              if T1 = Bool and T2=T3 then T2
              else "not typable"
            else if t = 0 then Nat
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Properties of the Typing

Relation

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By the induction hypothesis, either t_1 is a value or else there is some t_1' such that $t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'$. If t_1 is a value, then the canonical forms lemma tells us that it must be either true or false, in which case either E-IFTRUE or E-IFFALSE applies to t. On the other hand, if $t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'$, then, by E-IF,

 $t \longrightarrow if t'_1 then t_2 else t_3.$

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The cases for rules T-ZERO, T-SUCC, T-PRED, and T-ISZERO are similar.

(Recommended: Try to reconstruct them.)

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 $T = Bool$

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Subcase E-IFTRUE: $t_1 = true$ $t' = t_2$ Immediate, by the assumption $t_2 : T$.

(E-IFFALSE subcase: Similar.)

Preservation

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Subcase E-IF: $t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'$ $t' = \text{if } t_1'$ then t_2 else t_3 Applying the IH to the subderivation of t_1 : Bool yields t_1' : Bool. Combining this with the assumptions that t_2 : T and t_3 : T, we can apply rule T-IF to conclude that if t_1' then t_2 else t_3 : T, that is, t': T.

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Then pred 0 type checks is stuck, and it is not pred 0 a value. Thus the progress theorem fails.

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The system is still sound. Some if's do not type, but those that do are fine.

Meassing with it: adding bit

```
egin{array}{lll} t & ::= & terms & & & & \\ & & & ... & & & \\ & & bit(t) & & boolean \ to \ natural & & & \end{array}
```

- 1. evaluation rule
- 2. typing rule
- 3. progress and preservation updates

The Simply Typed

Lambda-Calculus

The simply typed lambda-calculus

The system we are about to define is commonly called the *simply typed lambda-calculus*, or λ_{\rightarrow} for short.

Unlike the untyped lambda-calculus, the "pure" form of λ_{\rightarrow} (with no primitive values or operations) is not very interesting; to talk about λ_{\rightarrow} , we always begin with some set of "base types."

- ▶ So, strictly speaking, there are *many* variants of λ_{\rightarrow} , depending on the choice of base types.
- ► For now, we'll work with a variant constructed over the booleans.

Untyped lambda-calculus with booleans

```
terms
                                          variable
X
\lambda x . t.
                                          abstraction
                                         application
t t
                                          constant true
true
                                          constant false
false
                                          conditional
if t then t else t
                                        values
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                                          abstraction value
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```

"Simple Types"

```
 \begin{array}{ccc} \mathtt{T} & ::= & \\ & \mathtt{Bool} \\ & \mathtt{T} {\rightarrow} \mathtt{T} \end{array}
```

types type of booleans types of functions

What are some examples?

Type Annotations

We now have a choice to make. Do we...

annotate lambda-abstractions with the expected type of the argument

$$\lambda x:T_1.$$
 t₂

(as in most mainstream programming languages), or

continue to write lambda-abstractions as before

$$\lambda x. t_2$$

and ask the typing rules to "guess" an appropriate annotation (as in OCaml)?

Both are reasonable choices, but the first makes the job of defining the typing rules simpler. Let's take this choice for now.

true: Bool (T-TRUE)

false: Bool (T-FALSE)

$$\frac{t_1: \text{Bool} \qquad t_2: T \qquad t_3: T}{\text{if } t_1 \text{ then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3: T}$$

$$\frac{???}{\lambda x: T_1. t_2: T_1 \rightarrow T_2}$$
(T-Abs)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{true: Bool} & \text{(T-True)} \\ \text{false: Bool} & \text{(T-False)} \\ \\ \hline \frac{t_1: \text{Bool}}{\text{if } t_1: \text{Bool}} & t_2: T & t_3: T \\ \hline \frac{t_1: \text{Bool}}{\text{if } t_1: \text{then } t_2: \text{else } t_3: T} & \text{(T-IF)} \\ \hline \\ \frac{\Gamma, x: T_1 \vdash t_2: T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x: T_1 \cdot t_2: T_1 \rightarrow T_2} & \text{(T-Abs)} \\ \hline \\ \frac{x: T \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x: T} & \text{(T-VAR)} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash \text{true} : \text{Bool} & (\text{T-True}) \\ \Gamma \vdash \text{false} : \text{Bool} & (\text{T-False}) \\ \hline \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash \text{t}_1 : \text{Bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash \text{t}_2 : T \quad \Gamma \vdash \text{t}_3 : T}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if} \quad \text{t}_1 \quad \text{then} \quad \text{t}_2 \quad \text{else} \quad \text{t}_3 : T} \\ \hline \\ \frac{\Gamma, \, \text{x} : T_1 \vdash \text{t}_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda \text{x} : T_1 \cdot \text{t}_2 : T_1 \rightarrow T_2} & (\text{T-Abs}) \\ \hline \\ \frac{\text{x} : T \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash \text{x} : T} & (\text{T-Var}) \\ \hline \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash \text{t}_1 : T_{11} \rightarrow T_{12} \quad \Gamma \vdash \text{t}_2 : T_{11}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{t}_1 \quad \text{t}_2 : T_{12}} & (\text{T-App}) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Typing Derivations

What derivations justify the following typing statements?

```
    ► (λx:Bool.x) true : Bool
    ► f:Bool→Bool ⊢ f (if false then true else false) :
        Bool
```

```
▶ f:Bool \rightarrow Bool \vdash \lambda x:Bool. f (if x then false else x) : Bool \rightarrow Bool
```

Properties of λ_{\rightarrow}

The fundamental property of the type system we have just defined is *soundness* with respect to the operational semantics.

- 1. Progress: A closed, well-typed term is not stuck If $\vdash t : T$, then either t is a value or else $t \longrightarrow t'$ for some t'.
- 2. Preservation: Types are preserved by one-step evaluation If $\Gamma \vdash t : T$ and $t \longrightarrow t'$, then $\Gamma \vdash t' : T$.

Proving progress

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- ▶ inversion lemma for typing relation
- canonical forms lemma
- progress theorem

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- 6. If $\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ t_2 : R$, then there is some type T_{11} such that $\Gamma \vdash t_1 : T_{11} \rightarrow R$ and $\Gamma \vdash t_2 : T_{11}$.

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