System FC, as implemented in GHC¹ February 22, 2013

1 Introduction

There are a number of details elided from this presentation. The goal of the formalism is to aid in reasoning about type safety, and checks that do not work toward this goal were omitted. For example, various scoping checks (other than basic context inclusion) appear in the GHC code but not here.

2 Grammar

2.1 Metavariables

We will use the following metavariables:

x, c Term-level variable names

 α, β Type-level variable names

N Type-level constructor names

K Term-level data constructor names

i, j, k Indices to be used in lists

2.2 Literals

Literals do not play a major role, so we leave them abstract:

lit ::= Literals, basicTypes/Literal.lhs:Literal

We also leave abstract the function basicTypes/Literal.lhs:literalType and the judgment coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintTyLit (written $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tylit}} \mathsf{lit} : \kappa$).

2.3 Variables

GHC uses the same datatype to represent term-level variables and type-level variables:

$$n, m, \alpha, x$$
 ::= Variable names, $basicTypes/Var.lhs:Var$
| z^{τ} Name, labeled with type/kind

We sometimes omit the type/kind annotation to a variable when it is obvious from context.

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2.4 Expressions

The datatype that represents expressions:

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Expressions, coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs:Expr
e, u
                  n
                                                            Var: Variable
                  lit
                                                            Lit: Literal
                  e_1 e_2
                                                            App: Application
                  \lambda n.e
                                                            Lam: Abstraction
                  let binding in e
                                                            Let: Variable binding
                  case e as n return \tau of \overline{alt_i}
                                                            Case: Pattern match
                                                            Cast: Cast
                  e \triangleright \gamma
                                                            Tick: Internal note
                  e_{\{tick\}}
                                                            Type: Type
                  \tau
                                                            Coercion: Coercion
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There are a few key invariants about expressions:

- The right-hand sides of all top-level and recursive **let**s must be of lifted type.
- The right-hand side of a non-recursive **let** and the argument of an application may be of unlifted type, but only if the expression is ok-for-speculation. See **#let_app_invariant#** in *coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs*.
- We allow a non-recursive let for bind a type variable.
- The _ case for a case must come first.
- The list of case alternatives must be exhaustive.
- Types and coercions can only appear on the right-hand-side of an application.
- The τ form of an expression must not then turn out to be a coercion. In other words, the payload inside of a Type constructor must not turn out to be built with CoercionTy.

Bindings for **let** statements:

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\begin{array}{cccc} binding & ::= & & \text{Let-bindings, } coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs: \texttt{Bind} \\ & | & n = e & & \text{NonRec: Non-recursive binding} \\ & | & \text{rec } \overline{n_i = e_i}^i & & \text{Rec: Recursive binding} \end{array}
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Case alternatives:

alt ::= Case alternative,
$$coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs$$
:Alt | K $\overline{n_i}^i \rightarrow e$ Constructor applied to fresh names

Constructors as used in patterns:

Notes that can be inserted into the AST. We leave these abstract:

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tick ::= Internal notes, coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs:Tickish
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A program is just a list of bindings:

2.5 Types

There are some invariants on types:

- The name used in a type must be a type-level name (TyVar).
- The type τ_1 in the form $\tau_1 \tau_2$ must not be a type constructor T. It should be another application or a type variable.
- The form $T \overline{\tau_i}^i$ (TyConApp) does not need to be saturated.
- A saturated application of $(\to) \tau_1 \tau_2$ should be represented as $\tau_1 \to \tau_2$. This is a different point in the grammar, not just pretty-printing. The constructor for a saturated (\to) is FunTy.
- A type-level literal is represented in GHC with a different datatype than a term-level literal, but we are ignoring this distinction here.
- A coercion used as a type should appear only in the right-hand side of an application.

Note that the use of the $T \overline{\tau_i}^i$ form and the $\tau_1 \to \tau_2$ form are purely representational. The metatheory would remain the same if these forms were removed in favor of $\tau_1 \tau_2$. Nevertheless, we keep all three forms in this documentation to accurately reflect the implementation.

We use the notation $\tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim}_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau_2$ to stand for $(\sim_{\#}) \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \tau_1 \tau_2$.

2.6 Coercions

TransCo: Transitivity $\gamma_1 \stackrel{\circ}{,} \gamma_2$ $\mathsf{nth}^{ind} \, \gamma$ NthCo: Projection (0-indexed) $LorR \gamma$ LRCo: Left/right projection $\gamma@\omega$ InstCo: Instantiation CoherenceCo: Coherence $\gamma \triangleright \eta$ kind γ KindCo: Kind extraction Argument to a coercion application, types/TyCoRep.lhs:CoercionArg (1) TyCoArg: Coercion between types (γ_1, γ_2) CoCoArg: "Coercion" between coercions cobndrBinder to quantified coercion, types/TyCoRep.lhs:ForAllCoBndr TyHomo: Homogeneous type quantification TyHetero: Heterogeneous type quantification CoHomo: Homogeneous coercion quantification CoHetero: Heterogeneous coercion quantification

Invariants on coercions:

- $\langle \tau_1 \, \tau_2 \rangle$ is used; never $\langle \tau_1 \rangle \, \langle \tau_2 \rangle$.
- If $\langle T \rangle$ is applied to some coercions, at least one of which is not reflexive, use $T \overline{\gamma_i}^i$, never $\langle T \rangle \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \dots$
- The T in $T \overline{\gamma_i}^i$ is never a type synonym, though it could be a type function.
- Every non-reflexive coercion coerces between two distinct types.
- The name in a coercion must be a term-level name (Id).
- The contents of $\langle \tau \rangle$ must not be a coercion. In other words, the payload in a Refl must not be built with CoercionTy.
- The coercion used in a TyHetero or in a CoHetero must not be reflexive. (If you want a reflexive coercion there, use TyHomo or CoHomo, respectively.)

The forms for cobndr mention the use of type-level names α and term-level names x. These uses in the definition above are an aid to the reader. In GHC, these arguments to the ForAllCoBndr constructors are just Vars, which this document represents as n. See the typing rules for these forms to see how the variables are used.

Similarly to with types, the form $T \overline{\omega_i}^i$ is needed only to stay faithful to the implementation.

Axioms:

$$C \qquad ::= \qquad \qquad \text{Axioms, } types/TyCon.lhs: \texttt{CoAxiom} \\ \mid \qquad T \overline{axBranch_i}^i \qquad \qquad \texttt{CoAxiom: Axiom} \\ axBranch, \ b \qquad ::= \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{Axiom branches, } types/TyCon.lhs: \texttt{CoAxBranch} \\ \mid \qquad \forall \overline{n_i}^i. (\overline{\tau_j}^j \leadsto \sigma) \qquad \qquad \texttt{CoAxBranch: Axiom branch} \\ \end{cases}$$

The left-hand sides $\overline{\tau_i}^j$ of different branches of one axiom must all have the same length.

2.7 Type constructors

Type constructors in GHC contain *lots* of information. We leave most of it out for this formalism:

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\begin{array}{lll} T & ::= & & \text{Type constructors, } types/TyCon.lhs: {\tt TyCon} \\ | & (\rightarrow) & & \text{FunTyCon: Arrow} \\ | & N^{\kappa} & & \text{AlgTyCon, TupleTyCon, SynTyCon: algebraic, tuples, families, and synonyms} \\ | & H & & \text{PrimTyCon: Primitive tycon} \\ | & 'K & & \text{PromotedDataCon: Promoted data constructor} \end{array}
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We include some representative primitive type constructors. There are many more in prelude/TysPrim.lhs.

H	::=		Primitive type constructors, prelude/TysPrim.lhs
		$Int_\#$	Unboxed Int
	ĺ	$(\sim_{\#})$	Unboxed equality
		*	Kind of lifted types
		#	Kind of unlifted types
			Kind of kinds
	ĺ	OpenKind	Either \star or $\#$
	ĺ	Constraint	Constraint

Note that although GHC contains distinct type constructors \star , \square , and Constraint, this formalism treats only \star . These three type constructors are considered wholly equivalent. In particular the function eqType returns True when comparing any two members of this group. We need all three because they have different roles in source Haskell.

3 Contexts

The functions in coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs use the LintM monad. This monad contains a context with a set of bound variables Γ . The formalism treats Γ as an ordered list, but GHC uses a set as its representation.

We assume the Barendregt variable convention that all new variables are fresh in the context. In the implementation, of course, some work is done to guarantee this freshness. In particular, adding a new type variable to the context sometimes requires creating a new, fresh variable name and then applying a substitution. We elide these details in this formalism, but see types/Type.lhs:substTyVarBndr for details.

4 Judgments

The following functions are used from GHC. Their names are descriptive, and they are not formalized here: types/TyCon.lhs:tyConKind, types/TyCon.lhs:tyConArity, basicTypes/DataCon.lhs:dataConTyCon, types/TyCon.lhs:isNewTyCon, basicTypes/DataCon.lhs:dataConRepType.

4.1 Program consistency

Check the entire bindings list in a context including the whole list. We extract the actual variables (with their types/kinds) from the bindings, check for duplicates, and then check each binding.

Frogram Program typing, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintCoreBindings

$$\begin{split} \Gamma &= \overline{\text{vars_of }binding_i}^i \\ &= \underline{\text{no_duplicates }\overline{binding_i}^i} \\ &= \underline{\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\text{bind }}binding_i}{}^i}} \\ &= \underline{\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\text{bind }}binding_i}{}^i}} \end{split} \quad \text{PROG_COREBINDINGS}$$

Here is the definition of vars_of , taken from coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs:bindersOf:

4.2 Binding consistency

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bind}} binding \mid \text{ Binding typing, } coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lint_bind$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{sbind}} n \leftarrow e}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bind}} n = e} \quad \mathsf{BINDING_NONREC}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{sbind}} n_i \leftarrow e_i^{\ i}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bind}} \mathbf{rec} \overline{n_i = e_i}^i} \quad \mathsf{BINDING_REC}$$

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{sbind}} n \leftarrow e$ Single binding typing, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintSingleBinding

$$\begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ftm}} e : \tau \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{n}} z^{\tau} \ \mathsf{ok} \\ \overline{m_{i}}^{i} = fv(\tau) \\ \overline{m_{i} \in \Gamma}^{i} \\ \overline{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{Sbind}} z^{\tau} \leftarrow e} \end{array} \quad \mathsf{SBINDING_SINGLEBINDING}$$

In the GHC source, this function contains a number of other checks, such as for strictness and exportability. See the source code for further information.

4.3 Expression typing

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\sf tm} e : \tau$ Expression typing, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintCoreExpr

$$\begin{array}{c} x^{\tau} \in \Gamma \\ \neg (\exists \tau_1, \tau_2, \kappa_1, \kappa_2 \text{ s.t. } \tau = \tau_1^{\kappa_1} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau_2) \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} x^{\tau} : \tau \\ \hline \\ T \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} x^{\tau} : \tau \\ \hline \\ T \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \mathsf{lit} : \tau \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e : \sigma \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \sigma^{\kappa_1} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau \\ \kappa_2 \in \{\star, \#\} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e \rhd \gamma : \tau \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e \rhd \gamma : \tau \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e \rhd \gamma : \tau \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tr}} \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \\ \Gamma' \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} e \vdash_{\mathsf{tick}} \vdash_{\mathsf{tic$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \neg \left(\exists \tau \text{ s.t. } e_{2} = \tau \right) \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e_{1} : \tau_{1} \rightarrow \tau_{2} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e_{2} : \tau_{1} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e_{1} e_{2} : \tau_{2} \end{array} \quad \mathsf{TM_APPEXPR} \\ \\ \neg \left(\exists \tau_{1}, \tau_{2}, \kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2} \text{ s.t. } \kappa = \tau_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_{2}} \tau_{2} \right) \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa \\ \Gamma, x^{\tau} \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e : \sigma \end{array} \quad \mathsf{TM_LAMID} \\ \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \lambda x^{\tau} \cdot e : \tau \rightarrow \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \lambda x^{\tau} \cdot e : \tau \rightarrow \sigma} \quad \mathsf{TM_LAMTY} \\ \\ \frac{\rho = \sigma_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_{2}} \sigma_{2}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \lambda c^{\phi} \cdot e : \forall c^{\phi} \cdot \tau} \quad \mathsf{TM_LAMTY} \\ \\ \frac{\phi = \sigma_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_{2}} \sigma_{2}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \lambda c^{\phi} \cdot e : \forall c^{\phi} \cdot \tau} \quad \mathsf{TM_LAMCO} \\ \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e : \sigma \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \sigma : \kappa_{1} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa_{2} \\ \hline \Gamma, z^{\sigma}; \sigma \vdash_{\mathsf{alt}} alt_{i} : \tau } \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \tau_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_{2}} \tau_{2}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \gamma : \tau_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_{2}} \tau_{2}} \quad \mathsf{TM_COERCION} \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} case \ e \ as \ z^{\sigma} \ \mathsf{return} \ \tau \ \mathsf{of} \ \overline{alt_{i}}^{i} : \tau}{\mathsf{TM_COERCION}} \\ \\ \end{array}$$

- Some explication of TM_LETREC is helpful: The idea behind the second premise $(\overline{\Gamma}, \overline{\Gamma}_i' \vdash_{\overline{t}y} \sigma_i : \kappa_i^{\ i})$ is that we wish to check each substituted type σ_i' in a context containing all the types that come before it in the list of bindings. The Γ_i' are contexts containing the names and kinds of all type variables (and term variables, for that matter) up to the ith binding. This logic is extracted from coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintAndScopeIds.
- The GHC source code checks all arguments in an application expression all at once using coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs:collectAn and coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintCoreArgs. The operation has been unfolded for presentation here.
- If a *tick* contains breakpoints, the GHC source performs additional (scoping) checks.
- The rule for **case** statements also checks to make sure that the alternatives in the **case** are well-formed with respect to the invariants listed above. These invariants do not affect the type or evaluation of the expression, so the check is omitted here.

• The GHC source code for TM_VAR contains checks for a dead id and for one-tuples. These checks are omitted here.

4.4 Kinding

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tv}} \tau : \kappa$ Kinding, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintType

$$\frac{z^{\kappa} \, \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} z^{\kappa} : \kappa} \quad \mathsf{TY_TYVARTY}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_1 : \kappa_1 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_2 : \kappa_2 \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau_2 : \kappa_2) : \kappa_1 \leadsto \kappa \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_1 \tau_2 : \kappa \end{array} \quad \text{TY_APPTY}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_1 : \kappa_1 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_2 : \kappa_2 \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\to} \kappa_1 \to \kappa_2 : \kappa \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_1 \to \tau_2 : \kappa \end{array} \quad \text{TY_FUNTY}$$

$$\begin{split} &\neg \left(\mathsf{isUnLiftedTyCon} \; T\right) \lor \mathsf{length} \; \overline{\tau_i}^{\;i} = \mathsf{tyConArity} \; T \\ & \overline{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_i : \kappa_i}^{\;i} \\ & \underline{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} \left(\overline{\tau_i} : \kappa_i\right)}^{\;i} : \mathsf{tyConKind} \; T \leadsto \kappa \\ & \underline{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \; T \, \overline{\tau_i}^{\;i} : \kappa} \end{split} \qquad \mathsf{TY_TYConApp}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{k}} \kappa_1 \text{ ok} \\ \frac{\Gamma, z^{\kappa_1} \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \forall z^{\kappa_1}.\tau : \kappa_2} \end{array} \quad \text{Ty_ForAllTy}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tylit}} \mathsf{lit} : \kappa}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \mathsf{lit} : \kappa} \quad \mathsf{TY_LITTY}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa_1}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \kappa_1 * \sim_{\#}^{\star} \kappa_2} \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau \triangleright \gamma : \kappa_1 * \sim_{\#}^{\star} \kappa_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau \triangleright \gamma : \kappa_2} \quad \mathsf{TY_CASTTY}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \phi}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \gamma : \phi} \quad \mathsf{TY_COERCIONTY}$$

4.5 Kind validity

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{k}} \kappa \text{ ok}$ Kind validity, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintKind

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \kappa : \star}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{k}} \kappa \mathsf{ok}} \quad \mathrm{K_STAR}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \kappa : \#}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tr}} \kappa \mathsf{ok}} \quad \mathsf{K_HASH}$$

4.6 Coercion typing

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \phi$ Coercion typing, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintCoercion

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \langle \tau \rangle : \tau \stackrel{\kappa}{\sim} \sim^{\kappa}_{\#} \tau} \quad \mathsf{Co_Refl}$$

$$\begin{split} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_1 : \sigma_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_1'} \tau_1 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_2 : \sigma_2 \stackrel{\kappa_2}{\sim} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau_2 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\to} \kappa_1 \to \kappa_2 : \kappa \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\to} \kappa_1' \to \kappa_2' : \kappa' \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} (\to) \gamma_1 \gamma_2 : (\sigma_1 \to \sigma_2) \stackrel{\kappa}{\sim} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa'} (\tau_1 \to \tau_2) \end{split} \quad \text{Co-TyConAppCoFunTy}$$

$$\begin{split} & \frac{T \neq (\rightarrow)}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} \omega_i : (\sigma_i : \kappa_i', \tau_i : \kappa_i)}{}^i \\ & \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} \overline{(\sigma_i : \kappa_i')}^i : \mathsf{tyConKind} \ T \leadsto \kappa' \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} \overline{(\tau_i : \kappa_i)}^i : \mathsf{tyConKind} \ T \leadsto \kappa}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} T \overline{\omega_i}^i : T \overline{\sigma_i}^i \kappa' \sim_\#^\kappa T \overline{\tau_i}^i} \end{split} \quad \text{Co_TyConAppCo}$$

$$\begin{split} &\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \sigma_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \stackrel{\kappa_2}{\#} \sigma_2 \\ &\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} \omega : (\tau_1 : \kappa_1', \tau_2 : \kappa_2') \\ &\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau_1 : \kappa_1') : \kappa_1 \leadsto \kappa_3 \\ &\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau_2 : \kappa_2') : \kappa_2 \leadsto \kappa_4}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma \omega : (\sigma_1 \, \tau_1) \stackrel{\kappa_3}{\sim} \stackrel{\kappa_4}{\#} (\sigma_2 \, \tau_2)} \quad \mathsf{Co_APPCo} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Gamma, \alpha^{\kappa} \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \underset{\#}{\overset{\kappa_2}{\#}} \tau_2 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \forall \alpha^{\kappa}.\tau_1 : \kappa_1 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \forall \alpha^{\kappa}.\tau_2 : \kappa_2 \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \forall \alpha^{\kappa}.\gamma : (\forall \alpha^{\kappa}.\tau_1) \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \underset{\#}{\overset{\kappa_2}{\#}} (\forall \alpha^{\kappa}.\tau_2) \end{array} \quad \text{Co_ForAllCo_TyHomo} \end{array}$$

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\begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{Co}} \eta : \kappa_1 \stackrel{\star}{\sim} \sim_\#^{\star} \kappa_2 \\ \Gamma, \alpha_1^{\kappa_1}, \alpha_2^{\kappa_2}, c^{(\alpha_1} \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim_\#^{\kappa_2}} \alpha_2)} \vdash_{\mathsf{Co}} \gamma : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_3}{\sim_\#^{\kappa_4}} \tau_2 \end{array}
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                                                                    \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \forall \alpha_2^{\kappa_2}.\tau_2 : \kappa_4
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      \begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_1 : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \underset{\#}{\overset{\kappa_2}{\#}} \tau_2 \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_2 : \tau_2 \stackrel{\kappa_2}{\sim} \underset{\#}{\overset{\kappa_3}{\#}} \tau_3}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_1 \stackrel{\circ}{,} \gamma_2 : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \underset{\#}{\overset{\kappa_3}{\#}} \tau_3} \end{array} \quad \text{Co\_TransCo} \end{array}
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$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : (T \, \overline{\sigma_j}^{\,j})^{\kappa_1} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_1} (T \, \overline{\tau_j}^{\,j}) \\ \operatorname{length} \overline{\sigma_j}^{\,j} = \operatorname{length} \overline{\tau_j}^{\,j} \\ i < \operatorname{length} \overline{\sigma_j}^{\,j} = \operatorname{length} \overline{\tau_j}^{\,j} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_i : \kappa_2 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_i : \kappa_2' \\ - (\exists \gamma \text{ s.t. } \tau_i = \gamma) \\ \hline - (\exists \gamma \text{ s.t. } \tau_i = \gamma) \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \operatorname{nth}^i \gamma : \sigma_i^{\,\kappa_2} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau_i \\ \hline \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : (\forall z_1^{\kappa_1} \cdot \tau_1)^{\,\kappa_3} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_4} (\forall z_2^{\kappa_2} \cdot \tau_2)}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \operatorname{nth}^0 \gamma : \kappa_1^{\,\star} \sim_{\#}^{\star} \kappa_2} \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : (\sigma_1 \, \sigma_2)^{\,\kappa} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_i'} (\tau_1 \, \tau_2) \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_1 : \kappa_1' \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \operatorname{left} \gamma : \sigma_1^{\,\kappa_1} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_1'} \tau_1 \\ \hline \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : (\sigma_1 \, \sigma_2)^{\,\kappa} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_i'} (\tau_1 \, \tau_2) \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_2 : \kappa_2' \\ \neg (\exists \gamma \text{ s.t. } \tau_2 = \gamma) \\ \hline \neg (\exists \gamma \text{ s.t. } \tau_2 = \gamma) \\ \hline \neg (\exists \gamma \text{ s.t. } \tau_2 = \gamma) \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \operatorname{right} \gamma : \sigma_2^{\,\kappa_2} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_2'} \tau_2 \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : (\forall z_1^{\,\kappa_1} \cdot \tau_1)^{\,\kappa_3} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_4} (\forall z_2^{\,\kappa_2} \cdot \tau_2) \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} \omega : (\sigma_1 : \kappa_1', \sigma_2 : \kappa_2') \\ \kappa_1' < \kappa_1 \\ \kappa_2' < \kappa_2 \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma \omega : (\tau_1[z_1^{\,\kappa_1} \mapsto \sigma_1])^{\,\kappa_3} \sim_{\#}^{\kappa_4} (\tau_2[z_2^{\,\kappa_2} \mapsto \sigma_2]) \\ \hline Co_\operatorname{InstCo} \\ \hline C = T \, \overline{axBranch_k}^k \\ 0 \le \operatorname{ind} < \operatorname{length} \, a\overline{aBranch_k}^k \\ \eta_{\mathsf{t}} : (\overline{\sigma_1}^{\,j}) \leadsto \tau_1) = (\overline{axBranch_k}^k)[\operatorname{ind}] \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ask}} [\overline{n_i}^{\,i} \mapsto \overline{\omega_i}^{\,i}] \leadsto (\operatorname{subst}_1, \operatorname{subst}_2) \\ \overline{\sigma_{2j}} = \operatorname{subst}_1(\sigma_{1j})^j \\ \overline{\sigma_{2j}} = \tau_2 = T \, \overline{\sigma_{2j}}^j \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_2 : \kappa' \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau_2 : \Gamma_2 : \Gamma_2 : \Gamma_2 : \Gamma_2$$

$$\begin{split} & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim}_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{\overline{t}y}} \tau_1 \triangleright \eta : \kappa_1'} \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{\overline{t}y}} \tau_1 \triangleright \eta : \kappa_1'}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma \triangleright \eta : \tau_1 \triangleright \eta \stackrel{\kappa_1'}{\sim}_{\#}^{\kappa_2} \tau_2} \end{split} \quad \text{Co_CoherenceCo} \end{split}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \stackrel{\kappa_2}{\#} \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \mathsf{kind} \gamma : \kappa_1 \stackrel{\star}{\sim} \stackrel{\star}{\#} \kappa_2} \quad \mathsf{Co_KINDCo}$$

The # checks in the rules Co_FORALLCo_Co... are freshness checks. The variable to the left of # may not appear in the *erased* version of the coercion on the right. See the *Down with kinds* paper for details.

4.7 Coercion argument typing

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} \omega : (\tau_1 : \kappa_1, \tau_2 : \kappa_2)$ Coercion argument kinding, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintCoArg

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma : \tau_1 \stackrel{\kappa_1}{\sim} \stackrel{\kappa_2}{\#} \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} \gamma : (\tau_1 : \kappa_1, \tau_2 : \kappa_2)} \quad \mathsf{Arg_TyCoArg}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_1 : \phi_1 \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{co}} \gamma_2 : \phi_2 \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) : (\gamma_1 : \phi_1, \gamma_2 : \phi_2) \end{array} \quad \mathsf{Arg_CoCoArg} \\$$

4.8 Name consistency

There are two very similar checks for names, one declared as a local function:

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{n}} n \text{ ok}$ Name consistency check, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintSingleBinding#lintBinder

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{n}} x^{\tau} \ \mathsf{ok}} \quad \mathsf{NAME_ID}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{n}} \alpha^{\kappa} \mathsf{ok}} \quad \mathsf{NAME_TYVAR}$$

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bnd}} n \mathsf{ok}$ Binding consistency, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintBinder

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bnd}} x^\tau \; \mathsf{ok}} \quad \mathsf{BINDING_ID}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{k}} \kappa \, \operatorname{\mathsf{ok}}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bnd}} \alpha^{\kappa} \, \operatorname{\mathsf{ok}}} \quad \operatorname{BINDING_TYVAR}$$

4.9 Substitution consistency

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{subst}} n \mapsto \tau \mathsf{ok}$ Substitution consistency, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintTyKind

$$\begin{split} & \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{ty}} \tau : \kappa_2 \\ & \frac{\kappa_2 <: \kappa_1}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{Subst}} z^{\kappa_1} \mapsto \tau \; \mathsf{ok}} \quad \mathsf{SUBST_TYPE} \end{split}$$

4.10 Case alternative consistency

 $\Gamma; \sigma \vdash_{\mathsf{alt}} alt : \tau$ Case alternative consistency, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintCoreAlt

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} e : \tau}{\Gamma; \sigma \vdash_{\mathsf{alt}} \neg \rightarrow e : \tau} \quad \mathsf{ALT_DEFAULT}$$

$$\begin{split} &\sigma = \mathsf{literalType\,lit} \\ &\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{Tim}} e : \tau}{\Gamma; \sigma \vdash_{\mathsf{alt}} \mathsf{lit} \to e : \tau} \quad \mathsf{Alt_LitAlt} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} T &= \mathsf{dataConTyCon}\,K \\ \neg \, (\mathsf{isNewTyCon}\,\,T) \\ \tau_1 &= \mathsf{dataConRepType}\,K \\ \frac{\tau_2 = \tau_1 \left\{\overline{\sigma_j}^j\right\}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{bnd}} n_i \, \mathsf{ok}^i} \\ \Gamma' &= \Gamma, \, \overline{n_i}^i \\ \Gamma' \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} \overline{n_i}^i : \tau_2 \leadsto T \, \overline{\sigma_j}^j \\ \frac{\Gamma' \vdash_{\mathsf{tm}} \, e : \tau}{\Gamma; \, T \, \overline{\sigma_j}^j \vdash_{\mathsf{alt}} K \, \overline{n_i}^i \to e : \tau} \end{split} \quad \mathsf{ALT_DATAALT}$$

4.11 Telescope substitution

 $au' = au \{ \overline{\sigma_i}^i \}$ Telescope substitution, types/Type.lhs:applyTys

$$\overline{\tau = \tau\{}$$
 ApplyTys_Empty

$$\begin{split} & \tau' = \tau \{ \, \overline{\sigma_i}^{\, i} \, \} \\ & \frac{\tau'' = \tau'[n \mapsto \sigma]}{\tau'' = (\forall n.\tau) \{ \sigma, \, \overline{\sigma_i}^{\, i} \, \}} \quad \text{ApplyTys_Ty} \end{split}$$

4.12 Case alternative binding consistency

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} vars : \tau_1 \leadsto \tau_2$

Case alternative binding consistency, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintAltBinders

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} \cdot \colon \tau \leadsto \tau} \quad \text{AltBinders_Empty}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{subst}} \beta^{\kappa'} \mapsto \alpha^{\kappa} \; \mathsf{ok} \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} \overline{n_i}^{\; i} : \tau[\beta^{\kappa'} \mapsto \alpha^{\kappa}] \leadsto \sigma \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} \alpha^{\kappa}, \; \overline{n_i}^{\; i} : (\forall \beta^{\kappa'}.\tau) \leadsto \sigma \end{array} \quad \text{ALTBINDERS_TYVAR}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} \overline{n_i}^i : \tau[z^\phi \mapsto c^\phi] \leadsto \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} c^\phi, \ \overline{n_i}^i : (\forall z^\phi. \tau) \leadsto \sigma} \quad \text{AltBinders_IdCoercion}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} \overline{n_i}^i : \tau_2 \leadsto \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{altbnd}} x^{\tau_1}, \ \overline{n_i}^i : (\tau_1 \to \tau_2) \leadsto \sigma} \quad \text{AltBinders_IdTerm}$$

4.13 Arrow kinding

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\rightarrow} \kappa_1 \rightarrow \kappa_2 : \kappa$ Arrow kinding, coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lintArrow

$$\begin{array}{l} \kappa_{1} \in \{\star, \#\} \\ \frac{\kappa_{2} \in \{\star, \#\}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\rightarrow} \kappa_{1} \rightarrow \kappa_{2} : \star} \end{array} \quad \text{Arrow_KIND} \end{array}$$

4.14 Type application kinding

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} \overline{(\sigma_i : \kappa_i)}^i : \kappa_1 \leadsto \kappa_2$ Type application kinding, $coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs:lint_app$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} \cdot : \kappa \leadsto \kappa} \quad \mathsf{APP_EMPTY}$$

$$\frac{\kappa <: \kappa_{1}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau_{i} : \kappa_{i})^{i} : \kappa_{2} \leadsto \kappa'} \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau_{i} : \kappa_{i})^{i} : \kappa_{2} \leadsto \kappa'}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau : \kappa), (\tau_{i} : \kappa_{i})^{i} : (\kappa_{1} \to \kappa_{2}) \leadsto \kappa'} \quad \mathsf{APP_FUNTY}$$

$$\frac{\kappa <: \kappa_1}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} \overline{(\tau_i : \kappa_i)}^i : \kappa_2[z^{\kappa_1} \mapsto \tau] \leadsto \kappa'}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{app}} (\tau : \kappa), \overline{(\tau_i : \kappa_i)}^i : (\forall z^{\kappa_1} . \kappa_2) \leadsto \kappa'} \quad \mathsf{APP_FORALLTY}$$

4.15 Axiom argument kinding

$$\underline{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{axk}} [\overline{n_i}^i \mapsto \overline{\omega_i}^i] \leadsto (subst_1, subst_2)} \quad \text{Axiom argument kinding, } coreSyn/CoreLint.lhs: \texttt{check_ki}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{axk}} [\cdot \mapsto \cdot] \rightsquigarrow (\cdot, \cdot)} \quad \text{AxiomKind_Empty}$$

$$\begin{split} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{axk}} [\overline{n_i}^i \mapsto \overline{\omega_i}^i] &\leadsto (subst_1, subst_2) \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{arg}} \omega : (\tau_1 : \kappa_1, \tau_2 : \kappa_2) \\ n &= z^{\kappa} \\ \kappa_1 <: subst_1(\kappa) \\ \kappa_2 <: subst_2(\kappa) \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash_{\mathsf{axk}} [\overline{n_i}^i, n \mapsto \overline{\omega_i}^i, \omega] &\leadsto (subst_1 [n \mapsto \tau_1], subst_2 [n \mapsto \tau_2]) \end{split} \quad \text{AxiomKind_Arg} \end{split}$$

4.16 Sub-kinding

$$\kappa_1 <: \kappa_2$$
 Sub-kinding, $types/Kind.lhs$:isSubKind

$$\frac{}{\kappa <: \kappa}$$
 SubKind_Refl

$$\frac{}{\#<:\mathsf{OpenKind}}\quad \mathsf{SubKind_UnliftedTypeKindOpen}$$

$$\frac{}{\star <: \mathsf{OpenKind}} \quad \text{SubKind_LiftedTypeKindOpen}$$

4.17 Branched axiom conflict checking

The following judgment is used within Co_AXIOMINSTCO to make sure that a type family application cannot unify with any previous branch in the axiom.

$$\frac{}{\mathsf{no_conflict}(C, \overline{\sigma_i}^i, -1)} \quad \text{NoConflict_NoBranch}$$

$$C = T \overline{axBranch_k}^k$$

$$\forall \overline{n_i}^i . (\overline{\tau_j}^j \leadsto \tau') = (\overline{axBranch_k}^k)[ind]$$

$$\mathsf{apart} (\overline{\sigma_j}^j, \overline{\tau_j}^j)$$

$$\mathsf{no_conflict}(C, \overline{\sigma_j}^j, ind - 1)$$

$$\mathsf{no_conflict}(C, \overline{\sigma_j}^j, ind)$$
 NoConflict_Branch

The judgment apart checks to see whether two lists of types are surely apart. It checks to see if types/Unify.lhs:tcApartTys returns SurelyApart. Two types are apart if neither type is a type family application and if they do not unify.