

50.054 Static Semantics Part 2

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Learning Outcomes

1. Apply type checking algorithm to type check a simply typed lambda calculus expression.
2. Apply Hindley Milner algorithm to type check lambda calculus expressions.
3. Apply Algorithm W to infer type for lambda calculus.

Recap

- ▶ Now you know how to type check and type inference SIMP programs
- ▶ How about Lambda Calculus

Simply Typed Lambda Calculus

We consider an adaptation

(Lambda Terms)	$t ::= x \mid \lambda x : T. t \mid t \ t \mid \text{let } x : T = t \ \text{in } t \mid \text{if } t \text{ then } t \text{ else } t \mid$
(Built-in Operators)	$op ::= + \mid - \mid * \mid / \mid ==$
(Built-in Constants)	$c ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid \dots \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false}$
(Types)	$T ::= \text{int} \mid \text{bool} \mid T \rightarrow T$
(Type Environments)	$\Gamma \subseteq (x \times T)$

- ▶ type annotation is introduced to lambda abstraction and let expression.
- ▶ → type operator is right associative, i.e. $T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \rightarrow T_3$ is parsed as $T_1 \rightarrow (T_2 \rightarrow T_3)$.

Type Checking

$$\Gamma \vdash t : T$$

- ▶ It's a relation!
- ▶ Given a type environment Γ and lambda term t and a type T , check whether t can be given a type T under Γ

Type Checking Rules

(lctInt)

$$\frac{c \text{ is an integer}}{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{int}}$$

(lctBool)

$$\frac{c \in \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}}{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{bool}}$$

(lctVar)

$$\frac{(x, T) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : T}$$

(lctLam)

$$\frac{\Gamma \oplus (x, T) \vdash t : T'}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : T. t : T \rightarrow T'}$$

(lctApp)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : T_1}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ t_2 : T_2}$$

(lctLet)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : T_1 \quad \Gamma \oplus (x, T_1) \vdash t_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } x : T_1 = t_1 \text{ in } t_2 : T_2}$$

(lctIf)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : T \quad \Gamma \vdash t_3 : T}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } t_1 \text{ then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3 : T}$$

(lct0p1)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \text{int} \quad op \in \{+, -, *, /\}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ op \ t_2 : \text{int}}$$

(lct0p2)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \text{int}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 == t_2 : \text{bool}}$$

(lct0p3)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \text{bool}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 == t_2 : \text{bool}}$$

(lctFix)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : (T_1 \rightarrow T_2) \rightarrow T_1 \rightarrow T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fix } t : T_1 \rightarrow T_2}$$

Type Checking Example

$$\text{let } f : \text{int} \rightarrow \text{int} = (\lambda x : \text{Int}.(x + 1)) \text{ inf } 0$$

We will do it in the Jamboard

Simply Typed Calculus Type Checking Formal Properties

Progress

Let t be a simply typed lambda calculus term such that $\text{fv}(t) = \{\}$. Let T be a type such that $\{\} \vdash t : T$. Then t is either a value or there exists some t' such that $t \rightarrow t'$.

Preservation

Let t and t' be simply typed lambda calculus terms such that $t \rightarrow t'$. Let T be a type and Γ be a type environment such that $\Gamma \vdash t : T$. Then $\Gamma \vdash t' : T$.

Simply Typed Calculus Type Checking Formal Properties

Uniqueness

Let t be a simply typed lambda calculus term. Let Γ be a type environment such that for all $x \in fv(t)$, $x \in dom(\Gamma)$. Let T and T' be types such that $\Gamma \vdash t : T$ and $\Gamma \vdash t : T'$. Then T and T' must be the same.

Simply Typed Lambda Calculus limitation

- ▶ Verbosity
- ▶ Polymorphism is not supported

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let f = λx : α.x  
in let g = λx : int.λy : bool.x  
    in (g (f 1) (f true))
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Where α denotes some generic type.

Hindley Milner Type System

We re-define the lambda calculus syntax for Hindley Milner Type System as follows

(Lambda Terms)	$t ::= x \mid \lambda x.t \mid t\ t \mid let\ x = t\ in\ t \mid if\ t\ then\ t\ else\ t \mid t\ op\ t \mid c \mid fix\ t$
(Built-in Operators)	$op ::= + \mid - \mid * \mid / \mid ==$
(Built-in Constants)	$c ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid \dots \mid true \mid false$
(Types)	$T ::= int \mid bool \mid T \rightarrow T \mid \alpha$
(Type Scheme)	$\sigma ::= \forall \alpha. \sigma \mid T$
(Type Environments)	$\Gamma \subseteq (x \times \sigma)$
(Type Substitution)	$\Psi ::= [T/\alpha] \mid [] \mid \Psi \circ \Psi$

In the above grammar rules, we remove the type annotations from the lambda abstraction and let binding.

Hindley Milner Type System - Type Checking Mode

(hmInt)

$$\frac{c \text{ is an integer}}{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{int}}$$

(hmBool)

$$\frac{c \in \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}}{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{bool}}$$

(hmVar)

$$\frac{(x, \sigma) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \sigma}$$

(hmLam)

$$\frac{\Gamma \oplus (x, T) \vdash t : T'}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. t : T \rightarrow T'}$$

(hmApp)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : T_1}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ t_2 : T_2}$$

(hmFix)

$$\frac{(fix, \forall \alpha. (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash fix : \forall \alpha. (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha}$$

$\sigma_1 \sqsubseteq \sigma_2$ iff $\sigma_1 = \forall \alpha. \sigma'_1$ and there exists a type substitution Ψ such that $\Psi(\sigma'_1) = \sigma_2$

(hmIf)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \sigma \quad \Gamma \vdash t_3 : \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } t_1 \ \{t_2\} \ \text{else}\{t_3\} : \sigma}$$

(hmOp1)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \text{int} \quad op \in \{+, -, *, /\}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ op \ t_2 : \text{int}}$$

(hmOp2)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \text{int}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 == t_2 : \text{bool}}$$

(hmOp3)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \text{bool}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 == t_2 : \text{bool}}$$

(hmLet)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \sigma_1 \quad \Gamma \oplus (x, \sigma_1) \vdash t_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } x = t_1 \text{ in } t_2 : T_2}$$

(hmInst)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : \sigma_1 \quad \sigma_1 \sqsubseteq \sigma_2}{\Gamma \vdash t : \sigma_2}$$

(hmGen)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : \sigma \quad \alpha \notin \text{ftv}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma \vdash t : \forall \alpha. \sigma}$$

Free Type Variables

$$\begin{aligned} ftv(\alpha) &= \{\alpha\} \\ ftv(int) &= \{\} \\ ftv(bool) &= \{\} \\ ftv(T_1 \rightarrow T_2) &= ftv(T_1) \cup ftv(T_2) \\ ftv(\forall \alpha. \sigma) &= ftv(\sigma) - \{\alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

$ftv()$ is also overloaded to extra free type variables from a type environment.

$$ftv(\Gamma) = \{\alpha \mid (x, \sigma) \in \Gamma \wedge \alpha \in ftv(\sigma)\}$$

Type Substitution Application

The application of a type substitution can be defined as

$$\begin{array}{lcl} []\sigma & = & \sigma \\ [T/\alpha]int & = & int \\ [T/\alpha]bool & = & bool \\ [T/\alpha]\alpha & = & T \\ [T/\alpha]\beta & = & \beta & \beta \neq \alpha \\ [T/\alpha]T_1 \rightarrow T_2 & = & ([T/\alpha]T_1) \rightarrow ([T/\alpha]T_2) \\ [T/\alpha]\forall\beta.\sigma & = & \forall\beta.([T/\alpha]\sigma) & \beta \neq \alpha \wedge \beta \notin ftv(T) \\ (\Psi_1 \circ \Psi_2)\sigma & = & \Psi_1(\Psi_2(\sigma)) \end{array}$$

Hindley Milner Type Checking Example

Let $\Gamma = \{\}$.

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let f = λx.x
in let g = λx.λy.x
    in (g (f 1) (f true))
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Hindley Milner Type System Formal Properties

Progress

Let t be a lambda calculus term such that $\text{fv}(t) = \{\}$. Let σ be a type scheme such that $\Gamma_{init} \vdash t : \sigma$. Then t is either a value or there exists some t' such that $t \rightarrow t'$.

Preservation

Let t and t' be lambda calculus terms such that $t \rightarrow t'$. Let σ be a type scheme and Γ be a type environment such that $\Gamma \vdash t : \sigma$. Then $\Gamma \vdash t' : \sigma$.

Hindley Milner Type System Formal Properties

Uniqueness

The following property states that if a lambda term is typable, its type scheme must be unique modulo type variable renaming.

Let t be a lambda calculus term. Let Γ be a type environment such that for all $x \in fv(t)$, $x \in dom(\Gamma)$. Let σ and σ' be type schemes such that $\Gamma \vdash t : \sigma$ and $\Gamma \vdash t : \sigma'$. Then σ and σ' must be the same modulo type variable renaming.

Hindley Milner Inference Mode

In theory, we could use the Hindler Milner rules for type inference too, except

- ▶ *fix* type must be given in the initial type environment (not a big deal!)
- ▶ The (`hmGen`) and (`hmInst`) make the system non-syntax directed, i.e. huge search space.

Algorithm W

The rules are in form of $\Gamma, t \models T, \Psi$

Input

- ▶ Γ (starting) type environment
- ▶ t the lambda expression

Output

- ▶ T type
- ▶ Ψ a type substitution

Algorithm W

$$(\text{wInt}) \quad \frac{c \text{ is an integer}}{\Gamma, c \models \text{int}, []}$$

$$(\text{wBool}) \quad \frac{c \in \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}}{\Gamma, c \models \text{bool}, []}$$

$$(\text{wVar}) \quad \frac{(x, \sigma) \in \Gamma \quad \text{inst}(\sigma) = T}{\Gamma, x \models T, []}$$

$$(\text{wFix}) \quad \frac{(fix, \forall \alpha. (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha) \in \Gamma \quad T = \text{inst}(\forall \alpha. (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha)}{\Gamma, fix \models T, []}$$

$$(\text{wLam}) \quad \frac{\alpha_1 = \text{newvar} \quad \Gamma \oplus (x, \alpha_1), t \models T, \Psi}{\Gamma, \lambda x. t \models: \Psi(\alpha_1 \rightarrow T), \Psi}$$

$$(\text{wLet}) \quad \frac{\Gamma, t_1 \models T_1, \Psi_1 \quad \Psi_1(\Gamma) \oplus (x, \text{gen}(\Psi_1(\Gamma), T_1)), t_2 \models T_2, \Psi_2}{\Gamma, \text{let } x = t_1 \text{ in } t_2 \models T_2, \Psi_2 \circ \Psi_1}$$

$$(\text{wApp}) \quad \frac{\alpha_3 = \text{newvar} \quad \Psi_3 = \text{mgu}(\Psi_2(T_1), T_2 \rightarrow \alpha_3) \quad \Gamma, t_1 \models T_1, \Psi_1 \quad \Psi_1(\Gamma), t_2 \models T_2, \Psi_2}{\Gamma, (t_1 \ t_2) \models \Psi_3(\alpha_3), \Psi_3 \circ \Psi_2 \circ \Psi_1}$$

$$(\text{wOp1}) \quad \frac{\text{op} \in \{+, -, *, /\} \quad \Gamma, t_1 \models T_1, \Psi_1 \quad \Psi_1(\Gamma), t_2 \models T_2, \Psi_2 \quad \text{mgu}(\Psi_2(T_1), T_2, \text{int}) = \Psi_3}{\Gamma, t_1 \text{ op } t_2 \models \text{int}, \Psi_3 \circ \Psi_2 \circ \Psi_1}$$

$$(\text{wOp2}) \quad \frac{\Gamma, t_1 \models T_1, \Psi_1 \quad \Psi_1(\Gamma), t_2 \models T_2, \Psi_2 \quad \text{mgu}(\Psi_2(T_1), T_2) = \Psi_3}{\Gamma, t_1 == t_2 \models \text{bool}, \Psi_3 \circ \Psi_2 \circ \Psi_1}$$

$$(\text{wIf}) \quad \frac{\Gamma, t_1 \models T_1, \Psi_1 \quad \Psi'_1 = \text{mgu}(\text{bool}, T_1) \circ \Psi_1 \quad \Psi'_1(\Gamma), t_2 \models T_2, \Psi_2 \quad \Psi'_1(\Gamma), t_3 \models T_3, \Psi_3 \quad \Psi_4 = \text{mgu}(\Psi_3(T_2), \Psi_2(T_3))}{\Gamma, \text{if } t_1 \text{ then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3 \models \Psi_4(\Psi_3(T_2)), \Psi_4 \circ \Psi_3 \circ \Psi_2 \circ \Psi'_1}$$

Algorithm W - Auxiliary functions

$$\Psi(\Gamma) = \{(x, \Psi(\sigma)) \mid (x, \sigma) \in \Gamma\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{inst}(T) &= T \\ \text{inst}(\forall \alpha. \sigma) &= [\beta_1/\alpha](\text{inst}(\sigma)) \text{ where } \beta_1 = \text{newvar} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{gen}(\Gamma, T) = \forall \bar{\alpha}. T \text{ where } \bar{\alpha} = \text{ftv}(T) - \text{ftv}(\Gamma)$$

Algorithm W - Unification

$$\begin{aligned} mgu(\alpha, T) &= [T/\alpha] \\ mgu(T, \alpha) &= [T/\alpha] \\ mgu(int, int) &= [] \\ mgu(bool, bool) &= [] \\ mgu(T_1 \rightarrow T_2, T_3 \rightarrow T_4) &= \text{let } \Psi_1 = mgu(T_1, T_3) \\ &\quad \text{in let } \Psi_2 = mgu(\Psi_1(T_2), \Psi_1(T_4)) \\ &\quad \text{in } \Psi_2 \circ \Psi_1 \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm W - Examples

1. $\lambda x.x$
2. $\lambda x.\lambda y.x$
3. $let\ f = \lambda x.x\ in\ (let\ g = \lambda x.\lambda y.x\ in\ g\ (f\ 1)\ (f\ true))$

Will do it in Jamboard.

Summary

- ▶ Simply Typed Lambda Calculus
- ▶ Hindley Milner Type System
- ▶ Algorithm W