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# Typage

## Master 2: Languages et Programmation

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5. What does the Knaster-Tarski theorem state ?

# Organisation

- ▶ Pas de TP la semaine prochaine

Evaluation

HCERES

- ▶ Examen:

28 Mars, salle 2035, quand ???

- ▶ Soutenance projet:

Exposé  $\sim$  20min + questions afterwards

- ▶ Jour soutenance: ???

# Plan

1. History
2. Reality check
3. Types as open terms
4. Semantic equivalence
5. Types as graphs
6. Unification for graphs

motivation



Subtyping and recursive types are common in modern programming languages. For example, Java [14] [...] allows interfaces to be mutually recursive, although there is no unfolding rule. [...] What is not common is type inference for real languages with subtyping and recursive types.

– T. Jim, J. Palsberg,

*Type inference in systems of recursive types with subtyping, 1999*

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inference of constraints

$$\frac{x : t_1 \vdash x : t_3 \rightarrow t_2 \quad t_1 = t_3 \rightarrow t_2 \quad x : t_1 \vdash x : t_3 \quad t_1 = t_3}{x : t_1 \vdash xx : t_2 \quad t = t_1 \rightarrow t_2}{\vdash \lambda x.xx : t}$$

underdetermined system of equations

$$\begin{array}{ccc} t_1 & \stackrel{?}{=} & t_3 \\ t_1 & \stackrel{?}{=} & t_3 \rightarrow t_2 \\ t & \stackrel{?}{=} & t_1 \rightarrow t_2 \end{array}$$

# Type expressions

$\sigma, \tau ::= t \mid int \mid \mu t. \sigma \mid \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$  where  $t \in Vars$

- ▶  $\mu x. \sigma$  binds  $x$  in  $\sigma$ , free and bound variables as expected
- ▶  $\sigma$  *contractive* if for any subexpression of  $\sigma$  of the form  $\mu x. \mu t_1. \mu t_2. \dots \mu t_n. \tau$ , the term  $\tau$  is not  $x$
- ▶  $T_\mu$  set of contractive terms

when are two type expressions equal ?

$$\mu t. (t \rightarrow t') \rightarrow t' \stackrel{?}{=} \mu t. t \rightarrow t'$$

$$\mu t. (int \rightarrow t) \stackrel{?}{=} int \times \mu t. (int \rightarrow t)$$

$$\mu t. t \rightarrow t \stackrel{?}{=} (\mu t. t \rightarrow t) \rightarrow (\mu t. t \rightarrow t)$$

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$\text{dom}(f)$  is a tree-domain:

(a)  $\text{dom}(f)$  non-empty, (b)  $\text{dom}(f)$  prefix-closed, (c) for all  $\pi \in \text{dom}(f)$

- ▶  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_+^*, 1 \leq i \leq j$  and  $\pi j \in \text{dom}(f)$  imply  $\pi i \in \text{dom}(f)$
- ▶  $f(\pi) = A$  of arity  $k \geq 0$  implies for  $i \in \mathbb{N}_+, \pi i \in \text{dom}(f)$  iff  $1 \leq i \leq k$

see Section 1.2, Courcelle 1983; Definition 21.2.1 TALP

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from [Cardone and Coppo, '91]

Let

- ▶  $T_R$  be set of regular trees over  $\hat{\Sigma}$
- ▶  $treeof(-) : T_\mu \rightarrow T_R$  be defined inductively by

$$treeof(t) = t \qquad t \in Vars$$

$$treeof(int) = int$$

$$treeof(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) = treeof(\sigma) \rightarrow treeof(\tau)$$

$$treeof(\mu \textcolor{red}{t}.\sigma) = \mu F$$

where

$$\text{▶ } F \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \lambda z. (treeof(\sigma)\{z/\textcolor{red}{t}\}) : T_R \rightarrow T_R$$

$$\text{▶ } \mu F \text{ exists}$$

Theorem 4.10.1, Courcelle '83

Let  $\sigma \stackrel{ext}{=} \tau$  whenever  $treeof(\sigma) \stackrel{ext}{=} treeof(\tau)$



on the theoretical side

things are getting complicated

# Types as graphs

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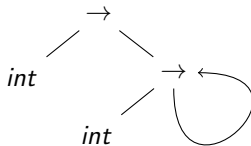
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intuitive mapping

$\mu x. (int \rightarrow x)$



$int \rightarrow \mu x. (int \rightarrow x)$



# Unifier

Exercice 7.4 notes par X. Leroy

Let

- ▶  $(V, E)$  be a graph
- ▶  $cns : V \rightarrow \Sigma$  type constructore in node
- ▶  $child : V \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \rightarrow V$   $i^{th}$  child of a node

A *substitution* is equivalence relation  $R \subseteq V \times V$  such that if  $n_1 R n_2$  and  $cns(n_1), cns(n_2) \notin Vars$  then

- ▶  $cns(n_1) = cns(n_2)$
- ▶  $\forall i \in [1, arity(cns(n_1))]. child(i, n_1) R child(i, n_2)$

A *unifier* for a system of equations  $E$  is a substitution  $R$  such that  $n_1 R n_2$  for every  $n_1 \stackrel{?}{=} n_2 \in E$ . A unifier  $R$  for a system  $E$  is *principal* if for every unifier  $R'$  of  $E$ ,  $R' \subseteq R$ .

## Computing principal unifier

$$mgu(\emptyset, R) = R$$

$$mgu(\{n_1 \stackrel{?}{=} n_2\} \cup E, R) = mgu(E, R) \text{ if } n_1 R n_2$$

$$mgu(\{n_1 \stackrel{?}{=} n_2\} \cup E, R) = mgu(E, R + \{(n_1, n_2)\}) \\ \text{if } \text{cns}(n_1) \in \text{Vars} \text{ or } \text{cns}(n_2) \in \text{Vars}$$

$$mgu(\{n_1 \stackrel{?}{=} n_2\} \cup E, R) = mgu(E \cup \{(child(1, n_1) \stackrel{?}{=} child(1, n_2))\}, \\ \vdots \\ (child(k, n_1) \stackrel{?}{=} child(k, n_2))\}, \\ R + \{((n_1, n_2))\}) \\ \text{if } \text{cns}(n_1) \notin \text{Vars} \text{ and } \text{cns}(n_1) = \text{cns}(n_2)$$

$$mgu(\{n_1 \stackrel{?}{=} n_2\} \cup E, R) = \text{Nothing} \\ \text{if } \text{cns}(n_1) \notin \text{Vars} \text{ and } \text{cns}(n_1) \neq \text{cns}(n_2)$$

where  $R + \{(n_1, n_2)\}$  smallest equivalence relation that contains  $R$  and  $\{(n_1, n_2)\}$ ; and  $k = \text{arity}(\text{cns}(n_1))$

# Problem

How to transform syntactic types into graphs ??

How to transform graphs into syntactic types??

# Material

- ▶ Section 7.4 notes cours “Typage et programmation”  
X. Leroy
- ▶ Type Inference with Recursive Types: Syntax and Semantics,  
F. Cardone, M. Coppo, 1991