Chapter 11 A Fourth Look At ML

Chapter Eleven

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Type Definitions

■ Predefined, but not primitive in ML:

```
datatype bool = true | false;
```

■ Type constructor for lists:

```
datatype 'element list = nil |
    :: of 'element * 'element list
```

Defined for ML in ML

Defining Your Own Types

- New types can be defined using the keyword datatype
- These declarations define both:
 - type constructors for making new (possibly polymorphic) types
 - data constructors for making values of those new types

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Defining Your Own Types: Enumerations

```
- datatype day = Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun;
datatype day = Fri | Mon | Sat | Sun | Thu | Tue | Wed
- fun isWeekDay x = not (x = Sat orelse x = Sun);
val isWeekDay = fn : day -> bool
- isWeekDay Mon;
val it = true : bool
- isWeekDay Sat;
val it = false : bool
```

- New types can be defined using the keyword datatype
- The example above defined an enumerated type called **day** and its members, **Mon** through **Sun**
- day is the new <u>type constructor</u> and Mon, Tue, etc. are the new <u>data constructors</u>

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day > type) date value

No Parameters 没有参数

```
- datatype day = Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun;
datatype day = Fri | Mon | Sat | Sun | Thu | Tue | Wed
```

- The type constructor **day** takes no parameters: it is not polymorphic, there is only one **day** type
- The data constructors Mon, Tue, etc. take no parameters: they are constant values of the day type
- Capitalize the names of data constructors

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Strict Typing

```
- datatype flip = Heads | Tails;
datatype flip = Heads | Tails
- fun isHeads x = (x = Heads);
val isHeads = fn : flip -> bool
- isHeads Tails;
val it = false : bool
- isHeads Mon;
Error: operator and operand don't agree [tycon mismatch] operator domain: flip operand: day
```

- ML is strict about these new types, just as you would expect
- Unlike C **enum**, no implementation details are exposed to the programmer

Data Constructors In Patterns

```
fun isWeekDay Sat = false
| isWeekDay Sun = false
| isWeekDay _ = true;
```

- You can use the data constructors in patterns
- In this simple case, they are like constants
- But we will see more general cases next

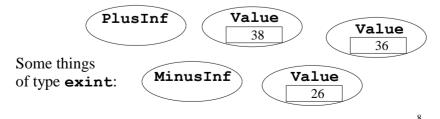
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Data constructors with parameters

You can add a parameter of any type to a data constructor, using the keyword of:

```
datatype exint = Value of int | PlusInf | MinusInf;
```

■ In effect, such a constructor is a <u>wrapper</u> that contains a data item of the given type



Data constructors with parameters

```
- datatype exint = Value of int | PlusInf | MinusInf;
datatype exint = MinusInf | PlusInf | Value of int
- PlusInf;
val it = PlusInf : exint extended integer | PlusInf;
val it = MinusInf;
val it = MinusInf : exint
- Value;
val it = fn : int -> exint
- Value 3;
val it = Value 3 : exint
```

- Value is a data constructor that takes a parameter: the value of the int to store
- It looks like a function that takes an int and returns an exint containing that int

A Value Is Not an int

```
- val x = Value 5;
val x = Value 5 : exint
- x+x;
Error: overloaded variable not defined at type
   symbol: +
   type: exint
```

- Value 5 is an exint
- It is not an int, though it contains one
- How can we get the **int** out again?
- By pattern matching...

Patterns With Data Constructors

```
- val (Value y) = x;
val y = 5 : int
```

- To recover a data constructor's parameters, use pattern matching
- Note that this example only works becausex actually is a Value here

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An Exhaustive Pattern译字二模式

- An exint can be a PlusInf, a MinusInf, or a Value
- Unlike the previous example, this one says what to do for all possible values of **x**

Pattern-Matching Function

```
- fun square PlusInf = PlusInf
= | square MinusInf = PlusInf
= | square (Value x) = Value (x*x);
val square = fn : exint -> exint
- square MinusInf;
val it = PlusInf : exint
- square (Value 3);
val it = Value 9 : exint
```

 Pattern-matching function definitions are especially important when working with your own datatypes

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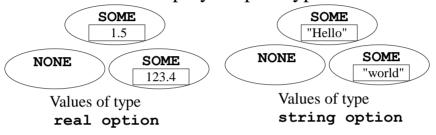
Exception Handling (A Peek)

```
- fun square PlusInf = PlusInf
= | square MinusInf = PlusInf
= | square (Value x) = Value (x*x)
= handle Overflow => PlusInf;
val square = fn : exint -> exint
- square (Value 10000);
val it = Value 100000000 : exint
- square (Value 100000);
val it = PlusInf : exint
```

■ Patterns are also used in ML for exception handling, as in this example

Type Constructors With Parameters

- Type constructors can also use parameters: datatype 'a option = NONE | SOME of 'a;
- The parameters of a type constructor are type variables, which are used in the data constructors
- The result: a new polymorphic type



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Parameter Before Name

```
- SOME 4;
val it = SOME 4 : int option
- SOME 1.2;
val it = SOME 1.2 : real option
- SOME "pig";
val it = SOME "pig" : string option
```

- Type constructor parameter comes before the type constructor name: datatype 'a option = NONE | SOME of 'a;
- We have types 'a option and int option, just like 'a list and int list

Uses for option

- Predefined type constructor in ML
- Used by predefined functions (or your own) when the result is not always defined

```
- fun optdiv a b =
    if b = 0 then NONE else SOME (a div b);
val optdiv = fn : int -> int -> int option
- optdiv 7 2;
val it = SOME 3 : int option
- optdiv 7 0;
val it = NONE : int option
```

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Longer Example: bunch

```
datatype 'x bunch =
```



- An 'x bunch is either a thing of type 'x, or a list of things of type 'x
- As usual, ML infers types:

```
- One 1.0;
val it = One 1.0 : real bunch
- Group [true, false];
val it = Group [true, false] : bool bunch
```

Example: Polymorphism

```
- fun size (One _) = 1
= | size (Group x) = length x;
val size = fn : 'a bunch -> int
- size (One 1.0);
val it = 1 : int
- size (Group [true,false]);
val it = 2 : int
```

■ ML can infer **bunch** types, but does not always have to resolve them, just as with **list** types

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Example: No Polymorphism

```
- fun sum (One x) = x
= | sum (Group xlist) = foldr op + 0 xlist;
val sum = fn : int bunch -> int
- sum (One 5);
val it = 5 : int
- sum (Group [1,2,3]);
val it = 6 : int
```

- We applied the + operator (through **foldr**) to the list elements
- So ML knows the parameter type must be int bunch

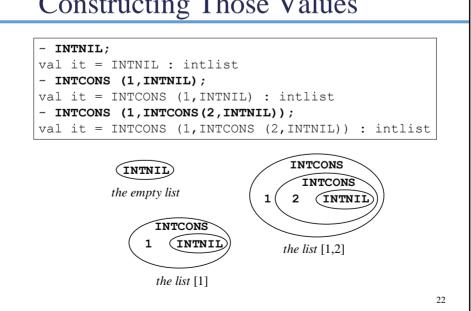
Recursively Defined Type Constructors

■ The type constructor being defined may be used in its own data constructors:

```
datatype intlist =
                                 不断从整个
   INTNIL |
   INTCONS of int * intlist;
               (INTNIL)
                                        INTCONS
               the empty list
                                          INTNII
Some values of
                     INTCONS
type intlist:
                      (INTNII
                                      the list [1,2]
                     the list [1]
```

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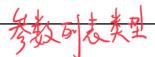
Constructing Those Values



An intlist Length Function

- A length function
- Much like you would write for native lists
- Except, of course, that native lists are not always lists of integers...

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Parametric List Type

```
datatype 'element mylist =
  NIL |
  CONS of 'element * 'element mylist;
```

- A parametric list type, almost like the predefined list
- ML handles type inference in the usual way:

```
- CONS(1.0, NIL);
val it = CONS (1.0,NIL) : real mylist
- CONS(1, CONS(2, NIL));
val it = CONS (1,CONS (2,NIL)) : int mylist
```

Some mylist Functions

- This now works almost exactly like the predefined list type constructor
- Of course, to add up a list you would use foldr...

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A foldr for mylist

- Definition of a function like **foldr** (P141) that works on 'a mylist
- Can now add up an int mylist x with: myfoldr (op +) 0 x
- One remaining difference: :: is an operator and CONS is not

Defining Operators (A Peek)

- ML allows new operators to be defined
- A right-associative binary operator **CONS** with a precedence level of 5:

```
- infixr 5 CONS;
infixr 5 CONS
- 1 CONS 2 CONS NIL;
val it = 1 CONS 2 CONS NIL : int mylist
```

■ Now you can write 1 CONS 2 CONS NIL just as you can write 1 :: 2 :: NIL.

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Questions?