Reinterpret Types

1 INTRO

Here is a formalization of our type system.

2 CORE LANGUAGE

First, we'll define a small core language with basic integers, booleans, and functions.

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\begin{array}{rcll}
e & ::= & \mathbb{Z} \mid \mathbb{B} \mid x \mid \texttt{fun}\ x \texttt{->} e \mid e\ e & \textit{expressions} \\
x & ::= & \textit{(identifiers)} & \textit{variables} \\
v & ::= & \mathbb{Z} \mid \mathbb{B} \mid \texttt{fun}\ x \texttt{->} e \mid x & \textit{values} \\
\tau & ::= & \texttt{int} \mid \texttt{bool} \mid \tau\ \texttt{->}\ \tau & \textit{types}
\end{array}
$$

Fig. 1. Core language grammar

The typing rules of the system is defined as following:

Definition 2.1 (Typing rules).

(1) $\models e : \texttt{int}$ iff $e \Longrightarrow v, v \in \mathbb{Z}$.
(2) $\models e : \texttt{bool}$ iff $e \Longrightarrow v, v \in \mathbb{B}$.
(3) $\models e : \tau_1\ \texttt{->}\ \tau_2$ iff $\forall v$ such that $\models v : \tau_1, \models e\ v : \tau_2$.

3 LANGUAGE EXTENSIONS

Next, we will define a couple of languages extensions and their corresponding typing rules.

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\begin{array}{rcll}
e & ::= & \cdots \mid a & \textit{expressions} \\
v & ::= & \cdots \mid a & \textit{values} \\
\tau & ::= & \cdots \mid \alpha \mid \tau \cup \tau \mid \tau \cap \tau \mid \{\tau \mid e\} \mid (x : \tau)\ \texttt{->}\ \tau \mid \mu\alpha.\tau & \textit{types}
\end{array}
$$

Fig. 2. Extended language grammar

Definition 3.1 (More typing rules).

(1) $\models e : \alpha$ iff $e \Longrightarrow a$, where $\textsc{typeof}(a) = \alpha$.
(2) $\models e : \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$ iff $\models e : \tau_1$ or $\models e : \tau_2$.
(3) $\models e : \tau_1 \cap \tau_2$ iff $\models e : \tau_1$ and $\models e : \tau_2$.
(4) $\models e : \{\tau \mid p\}$ iff $\models e : \tau$ and $p\ e \Longrightarrow \texttt{true}$.
(5) $\models e : (x : \tau_1)\ \texttt{->}\ \tau_2$ iff $\forall v$ such that $\models v : \tau_1, \models e\ v : \tau_2[v/x]$.
(6) $\models e : \mu\alpha.\tau$ iff ?.

We will now extend the language with records.

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\begin{array}{rcll}
e & ::= & \cdots \mid \{\overline{\ell = e}\}^{\{\bar{\ell}\}} \mid e.\ell & \textit{expressions} \\
v & ::= & \cdots \mid \{\overline{\ell = v}\}^{\{\bar{\ell}\}} & \textit{values} \\
\tau & ::= & \cdots \mid \{\overline{\ell : \tau}\} & \textit{types}
\end{array}
$$

Fig. 3. Extended language grammar (with records)

Definition 3.2 (Record typing rules).

(1) $\models e : \{\ell_1 : \tau_1, \cdots, \ell_m : \tau_m\}$ iff $e \Longrightarrow \{\ell_1 = v_1, \cdots, \ell_m = v_m, \cdots, \ell_n = v_n\}^{\{\ell_1, \cdots, \ell_p\}}$ where $\models v_i : \tau_i$ for $i \in \{1, \cdots, m\}$, $n \geq p \geq m$.

4 TYPE AS VALUES

In this section, we will demonstrate how to represent each type using a tuple of functions `generator` and `checker`.

Definition 4.1 (Semantic interpretation of types). We define the semantic interpretation of types as $[\![\tau]\!]$, where $[\![\tau]\!] = \langle \texttt{generator}(\tau), \texttt{checker}(\tau, e)\rangle$.

Definition 4.2 (Defining Generator in the core language).

(1) $\texttt{generator(int)} : \texttt{pick } n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
(2) $\texttt{generator(bool)} : \texttt{pick } b \in \mathbb{B}$.
(3) $\texttt{generator}(\tau_1 \texttt{ -> } \tau_2) : \texttt{fun } x \texttt{ -> generator}(\tau_2)$.

Definition 4.3 (Defining Checker in the core language).

(1) $\texttt{checker(int}, e) : e \sim \texttt{int}$.
(2) $\texttt{checker(bool}, e) : e \sim \texttt{bool}$.
(3) $\texttt{checker}(\tau_1 \texttt{ -> } \tau_2, e) : \texttt{let arg = generator}(\tau_1) \texttt{ in checker}(\tau_2, \texttt{(e arg)})$.

Definition 4.4 (Defining Generator in the extended language).

(1) $\texttt{generator}(\alpha_i) : a_i$.
(2) $\texttt{generator}(\tau_1 \cup \tau_2) : \texttt{pick } b \in \mathbb{B}. \texttt{ if } b \texttt{ then generator}(\tau_1) \texttt{ else generator}(\tau_2)$.
(3) $\texttt{generator}(\tau_1 \cap \tau_2)$ where τ_1, τ_2 are not arrow types : $\texttt{pick } b \in \mathbb{B}$.
$\texttt{if } b \texttt{ then let gend = generator}(\tau_1) \texttt{ in take(checker}(\tau_2, \texttt{gend}), \texttt{gend)} \texttt{ else}$
$\texttt{let gend = generator}(\tau_2) \texttt{ in take(checker}(\tau_1, \texttt{gend}), \texttt{gend})$.
(4) $\texttt{generator}(\tau_1 \cap \tau_2)$ where $\tau_1 = \tau_{dom1} \texttt{ -> } \tau_{cod1}, \tau_2 = \tau_{dom2} \texttt{ -> } \tau_{cod2}$:
$\texttt{fun } x \texttt{ -> if checker}(\tau_{dom1}, x) \texttt{ then generator}(\tau_{cod1}) \texttt{ else}$
$\texttt{generator}(\tau_{cod2})$.
(5) $\texttt{generator}(\tau_1 \cap \tau_2)$ where
$\tau_1 = \{\ell_1 : \tau_1', \cdots, \ell_m : \tau_m'\}, \tau_2 = \{\ell_1 : \tau_1'', \cdots, \ell_m : \tau_m'', \cdots, \ell_n : \tau_n''\}$:
$\{\ell_1 = \texttt{generator}(\tau_1' \cap \tau_1''), \ell_m = \texttt{generator}(\tau_m' \cap \tau_m''), \cdots, \ell_n =\}$.
(6) $\texttt{generator}(\{\tau \mid p\}) : \texttt{let choice = generator}(\tau) \texttt{ in take}(p, \textit{choice})$.
(7) $\texttt{generator}((x : \tau_1) \texttt{ -> } \tau_2) : \texttt{let } \tau_2' \texttt{ = fun } x \texttt{ -> } \tau_2 \texttt{ in}$
$\texttt{fun } x' \texttt{ -> if checker}(\tau_1, x') \texttt{ then generator}(\tau_2'\ x') \texttt{ else } \textit{TYPE\_ERROR}$.
(8) $\texttt{generator}(\mu\alpha.\tau) : \texttt{generator}(\tau[\alpha/\mu\alpha.\tau])$.
(9) $\texttt{generator}(\{\ell_1 : \tau_1, \cdots, \ell_n : \tau_n\}) :$
$\texttt{let } v_1 = \texttt{generator}(\tau_1) \texttt{ in } \cdots \texttt{ let } v_n = \texttt{generator}(\tau_n) \texttt{ in } \{\ell_1 = v_1, \cdots, \ell_n = v_n\}$.

Definition 4.5 (Defining Checker in the extended language).

(1) $\texttt{checker}(\alpha_i, e) : e \sim a_i$.
(2) $\texttt{checker}(\tau_1 \cup \tau_2, e) : \texttt{checker}(\tau_1, e) \texttt{ or checker}(\tau_2, e)$.
(3) $\texttt{checker}(\tau_1 \cap \tau_2, e) : \texttt{checker}(\tau_1, e) \texttt{ and checker}(\tau_2, e)$.
(4) $\texttt{checker}(\{\tau \mid p\}, e) : \texttt{checker}(\tau, e) \texttt{ and eval}(e) = \texttt{true}$.
(5) $\texttt{checker}((x : \tau_1) \texttt{ -> } \tau_2, e) : \texttt{let arg = generator}(\tau_1) \texttt{ in checker}(\tau_2[\texttt{arg}/x], \texttt{(e arg)})$.
(6) $\texttt{checker}(\mu\alpha.\tau, e) : \texttt{checker}(\tau[\mu\alpha.\tau/\alpha], e)$.
(7) $\texttt{checker}(\{\ell_1 : \tau_1, \cdots, \ell_m : \tau_m\}, e) : \texttt{eval}(e) = \{\ell_1 = v_1, \cdots, \ell_m = v_m, \cdots, \ell_n = v_n\}^{\{\ell_1, \cdots, \ell_m\}}$
$\texttt{and checker}(\tau_1, v_1) \cdots \texttt{ and checker}(\tau_m, v_m)$.