

# A Second Look at Overloading

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class Eq a where
  eq :: a → a → Bool

instance Eq Nat where
  eq Zero    Zero    = True
  eq (Suc x) (Suc y) = eq x y
  eq _       _       = False

instance Eq a ⇒ Eq [a] where
  eq []      []      = True
  eq (x : xs) (y : ys) = eq x y &&
                           eq xs ys
  eq _       _       = False

isEq :: Bool
isEq = eq [Zero] [Zero]

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Haskell

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trait Eq
  fn eq(&self, rhs: &Self) → Bool

impl Eq for Nat
  fn eq(&self, rhs: &Self) → Bool
  match (self, rhs)
    (Zero, Zero)      ⇒ True,
    (Suc(x), Suc(y)) ⇒ x.eq(y),
    (_, _)            ⇒ False

impl<A: Eq> Eq for [A]
  fn eq(&self, rhs: &Self) → Bool
  match (self, rhs)
    ([], []) ⇒ True,
    ([x, xs@..], [y, ys@..])
      ⇒ x.eq(y) && xs.eq(ys),
    (_, _) ⇒ False

fn is_eq() → Bool
  [Zero].eq(&[Zero])

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Rust

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inst eq :: Nat → Nat → Bool
  eq Zero    Zero    = True
  eq (Suc x) (Suc y) = eq x y
  eq _       _       = False

inst eq :: (eq :: a → a → Bool) ⇒ [a] → [a] → Bool
  eq []      []      = True
  eq (x:xs) (y:ys)   = eq x y && eq xs ys
  eq _       _       = False

isEq :: Bool
isEq = [Zero] == [Zero]

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Pseudocode

$$e ::= x$$
$$| \lambda x. e$$
$$| e e$$
$$| \mathbf{let} \ x = e \ \mathbf{in} \ e$$
$$\tau ::= \alpha$$
$$| \tau \rightarrow \tau$$
$$\sigma ::= \tau$$
$$| \forall \alpha. \sigma$$

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let id = λx. x : ∀a. a → a in foo (id "Answer: ") (id 42)
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Hindley Milner — Syntax

(TAUT)	$\frac{x : \sigma \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \sigma}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e' : \sigma \quad \Gamma, x : \sigma \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{let} \ x = e' \ \mathbf{in} \ e : \tau}$	(LET)
( $\rightarrow$ I)	$\frac{\Gamma, x : \tau \vdash e : \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. e : \tau \rightarrow \tau'}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau \rightarrow \tau' \quad \Gamma \vdash e' : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash e \ e' : \tau'}$	( $\rightarrow$ E)
( $\forall$ I)	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \sigma \quad \text{fresh } \alpha}{\Gamma \vdash e : \forall \alpha. \sigma}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \sigma \quad \sigma \sqsubseteq \sigma'}{\Gamma \vdash e : \sigma'}$	( $\forall$ E)

Hindley Milner — Typing

**Let**  $\Gamma = \{\text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha, \text{n} : \text{Nat}\}.$

$$\frac{\frac{\text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \in \Gamma \quad \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \sqsubseteq \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{id} : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}} \quad \frac{\text{n} : \text{Nat} \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash \text{n} : \text{Nat}}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{id n}}$$

Hindley Milner — Instantiation

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{x : \alpha \in \{x : \alpha\}}{x : \alpha \vdash x : \alpha} \\
\hline
\vdash \lambda x. x : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \\
\hline
\vdash \lambda x. x : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \quad \text{fresh } \alpha
\end{array}
\qquad
\begin{array}{c}
\text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \in \{\text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha\} \\
\hline
\text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \vdash \text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha
\end{array}$$


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$$\vdash \mathbf{let} \text{ id} = \lambda x. x \mathbf{in} \text{id} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$$

Hindley Milner — Generalization

$e := x$

|  $o$  (if overloaded)

|  $k$  ( $k \in \{\text{unit}, 42, [e_1, \dots, e_n], \dots\}$ )

|  $\lambda x. e$

|  $e e$

| **let**  $x = e$  **in**  $e$

$p := e$

| **inst**  $o : \sigma_T = \sigma$  **in**  $p$

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inst eq : Nat → Nat → Bool = λx. λy. x ≐ y in
inst eq : ∀a. (eq : a → a → Bool) ⇒ [a] → [a] → Bool =
    | λ[]. λ[]. True
    | λ[x : xs]. λ[y : ys]. eq x y && eq xs ys
in eq [0] [0]
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$$\begin{aligned}
\tau &::= \alpha \\
&| \tau \rightarrow \tau \\
&| D \ \tau_1 \ \dots \ \tau_n \quad (D \in \{\text{Unit}, \text{Nat}, \text{List } \tau, ..\}, \text{arity}(D) = n) \\
\pi_\alpha &::= o_1 : \alpha \rightarrow \tau_1, \ \dots \ , o_n : \alpha \rightarrow \tau_n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}, o_i \neq o_j) \\
\sigma &::= \tau \\
&| \forall \alpha. \pi_\alpha \Rightarrow \sigma_T \\
\sigma_T &::= T \ \alpha_1 \ \dots \ \alpha_n \rightarrow \tau \quad (T \in D \cup \{\rightarrow\}, \text{tv}(\tau) \subseteq \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}) \\
&| \forall \alpha. \pi_\alpha \Rightarrow \sigma_T \quad (\text{tv}(\pi_\alpha) \subseteq \text{tv}(\sigma_T))
\end{aligned}$$

$$(\forall I) \quad \frac{\Gamma, \pi_\alpha \vdash e : \sigma \quad \text{fresh } \alpha}{\Gamma \vdash e : \forall \alpha. \pi_\alpha \Rightarrow \sigma}$$

$$(\forall E) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \forall \alpha. \pi_\alpha \Rightarrow \sigma \quad \Gamma \vdash [\tau/\alpha] \pi_\alpha}{\Gamma \vdash e : [\tau/\alpha] \sigma}$$

$$(\text{SET}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash x_1 : \sigma_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma \vdash x_n : \sigma_n}{\Gamma \vdash x_1 : \sigma_1 \quad \dots \quad x_n : \sigma_n}$$

$$(\text{INST}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \sigma_T \quad \Gamma, o : \sigma_T \vdash p : \sigma \quad \forall (o : \sigma_{T'}) \in \Gamma : T \neq T'}{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{inst} \, o : \sigma_T = e \, \mathbf{in} \, p : \sigma}$$

**Let**  $\Gamma =$   
 $\text{eq} : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Bool},$   
 $\text{eq} : \forall \alpha. (\text{eq} : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \Rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{eq} : \forall \alpha. (\text{eq} : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \\
 \Rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Bool} \in \Gamma \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash \text{eq} : \forall \alpha. (\text{eq} : \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{Bool}) \quad \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \in \Gamma \\
 \Rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow [\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Bool} \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash \text{eq} : [\text{Nat}] \rightarrow [\text{Nat}] \rightarrow \text{Bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash [0] : \text{Nat} \quad \dots \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash \text{eq} [0] : [\text{Nat}] \rightarrow \text{Bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash [0] : \text{Nat} \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash \text{eq} [0] [0]
 \end{array}$$

System 0 — Constraint Solving

## System 0 — Semantics

System 0 — Translation to Hindley Milner

# Folien & Code

[github.com/Mari-W/pop1](https://github.com/Mari-W/pop1)

## Literatur

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