

Sized Type Theory

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In this paper I introduce a type theory for sized types, which permits inference depending on type size.

Symbols	Type	Description	Language
A, B, C	-	Grammar expression	Parsing
A B	-	Selection grammar rule	Parsing
()[]{}	-	Parentheses	Parsing
x, y, z, i, j, k, f, g	-	Variable expression	Computation
f(x)	-	Application	Computation
bool	type	Boolean	Boolean algebra
$\neg, \wedge, \vee, \preceq, ==, ==>$	$\text{bool} \rightarrow \text{bool}, (\text{bool}, \text{bool}) \rightarrow \text{bool}$	NOT, AND, OR, XOR, EQ, IMPL	Boolean algebra
T, U, V	type	Generic type	Type theory
if A { B } else { C }	$\text{bool} \rightarrow T \rightarrow T$	If (with optional else-ifs)	Logic
$\forall A \{ B \}$	bool	For-all	Logic
$\exists A \{ B \}$	bool	There-exists	Logic
A + B	$(\text{nat}, \text{nat}) \rightarrow \text{nat}$	Addition	Arithmetic
A · B	$(\text{nat}, \text{nat}) \rightarrow \text{nat}$	Multiplication	Arithmetic
$<=>$	-	Substitutional equivalence	Meta-language
α	-	Quantifier symbol	Meta-language
\perp	-	Bottom type	Type theory
type	type ₁	Type universe zero	Type theory
type _n	type _{n+1}	Type universe	Type theory
()	type	Unit type	Type theory
A : B	$(\text{type}_n, \text{type}_{n+1}) \rightarrow \text{bool}$	Judgement	Type theory
A + B, (A, B), A → B	$(\text{type}, \text{type}) \rightarrow \text{type}$	Sum, product, exponential type	Type theory
A := B	-	Definitional equality	Type theory
A	$\text{type} \rightarrow \text{nat}$	Type size operator	Sized type theory
A[B]	$(\text{type}, \text{type}) \rightarrow \text{type}$	Index operator	Sized type theory
A[1..]	$\text{type} \rightarrow \text{type}$	Tail type operator	Sized type theory
A → → B	$(\text{type}, \text{type}) \rightarrow \text{type}$	Isomorphism operator	Sized type theory
A ~:= B	$\text{type} \rightarrow \rightarrow \text{type}$	Definitional space	Sized type theory
A ~= B	$(\text{type}, \text{type}) \rightarrow \text{type}$	Equivalence	Sized type theory
A ~ 0, A ~ 1	$(\text{type} \approx \text{type}) \rightarrow \text{type}$	Path equivalence endpoints	Sized type theory
A ⁻¹	$(\text{type} \rightarrow \rightarrow \text{type}) \rightarrow (\text{type} \rightarrow \rightarrow \text{type})$	Isomorphism inverse	Sized type theory

Standard path semantical notation is permitted. Typing rules for path semantics is not covered in here. This includes lambda calculus, arbitrary subtypes and Higher Order Operator Overloading.

Quantifier symbol

α \Leftrightarrow $\forall \mid \exists$

Grammar substitutions

$\alpha A, B \{ C \}$	\Leftrightarrow	$\alpha A \{ \alpha B \{ C \} \}$	Nested loop
$\alpha A \{ B[A] \}$	\Leftrightarrow	$\alpha A \mid B \{ B[A] \}$	Inferred loop
$\alpha A : B \{ C \}$	\Leftrightarrow	$\alpha A \{ (A : B) \Rightarrow C \}$	Subtype loop
$A + B + C$	\Leftrightarrow	$A + (B + C)$	Addition
$A \cdot B \cdot C$	\Leftrightarrow	$A \cdot (B \cdot C)$	Multiplication
$A + B + C$	\Leftrightarrow	$A + (B + C)$	Sum type
(A, B, C)	\Leftrightarrow	$(A, (B, C))$	Product type
$A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$	\Leftrightarrow	$A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$	Function/exponential type

Type size axioms

$ \perp == 0$	Bottom type
$\forall x : \text{bool} \{ x == 1 \}$	Booleans
$\forall x : \text{nat} \{ x == 1 \}$	Natural numbers
$\forall x, y \{ x + y == x + y \}$	Sum type
$\forall x, y \{ (x, y) == x \cdot y \}$	Product type
$\forall x, y \{ x \rightarrow y == y ^{ x } \}$	Function/exponential type
$\forall x, y \{ x \rightarrow \rightarrow y == \text{if } x == y \{ x ! \} \text{ else } \{ 0 \} \}$	Isomorphism type size
$\forall x, y \{ (x \rightsquigarrow y) \Rightarrow (x == y) \}$	Space type size

Type judgements

$\forall x \{ (x == 1) == \exists y \{ (x : y) \wedge (y : \text{type}) \} \}$	Primitive type
$\forall x, y, i \{ x[i] : (x + y) \}$	Sum type
$\forall x, y, i, j \{ (x[i], y[j]) : (x, y) \}$	Product type
$\forall x, y, i, f : x \rightarrow y \{ f(x[i]) : y \}$	Function/exponential type
$\forall x, y \{ (x \rightsquigarrow y) : (\text{nat} \wedge (< x) \rightarrow \rightarrow x) \}$	Space type
$\forall x, y, i, j \{ (x[i] \rightsquigarrow y[j]) : (x \rightsquigarrow y) \}$	Equivalence type
$\forall x, y \{ \forall i \{ (x[i] == y) == (y : x) \} \}$	Isomorphism
$\forall f : x \rightarrow y, g : x \rightarrow \rightarrow z \{ f[g \rightarrow \text{id}] : z \rightarrow y \}$	Asymmetric path transport
$\forall g : x \rightarrow \rightarrow y \{ g^{-1} : y \rightarrow \rightarrow x \}$	Isomorphism inverse
$\forall x, y \{ ((x \rightsquigarrow y) \sim 0) : x \}$	Path start point
$\forall x, y \{ ((x \rightsquigarrow y) \sim 1) : y \}$	Path end point

Space orders

$\forall x, y, z \{ (x \rightsquigarrow y + z) \wedge (y == 1) \Rightarrow (x[0] == y) \wedge (x[1..] == z) \}$	Sum type
$\forall x, y, z \{ (x \rightsquigarrow (y, z)) \Rightarrow \forall i, j \{ x[i + j \cdot y] == (y[i], z[j]) \} \}$	Product type

Equivalence operator overloading

$\forall x : X, y : Y, f : X \rightarrow Y \{ f(x \rightsquigarrow y) == (f(x) \rightsquigarrow f(y)) \}$	Function application
$\forall x : X, y : Y, f : X \rightarrow \rightarrow Y \{ f[x \rightsquigarrow y] == (f[x] \rightsquigarrow f[y]) \}$	Space indexing

Equivalence construction

$\forall x \{ x \rightsquigarrow x \}$	By reflection
$\forall x : X, y : Y \{ (x == y) \Rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow y) : (X \rightsquigarrow Y) \}$	By space size
$\forall f : X \rightarrow Y, g : X \rightarrow \rightarrow Z \{ (f \rightsquigarrow f[g \rightarrow \text{id}]) : \text{type} \}$	By asymmetric transport
$\forall g : X \rightarrow \rightarrow Y \{ (g \rightsquigarrow g^{-1}) : (Y \rightsquigarrow X) \rightarrow \rightarrow (X \rightsquigarrow Y) \}$	By isomorphism inverse

Booleans

$\text{bool} \rightsquigarrow := \text{false} + \text{true}$

Natural numbers

$\text{nat} \rightsquigarrow := 0 + 1 + 2 + \dots$