

Practice Test 3/4

Type Theory and Operational Semantics

Question 1

For this question you need the typing rules of Appendix A.

a) Write down the steps taken by a typechecker on the following program fragment:

```
int x;  
{  
    x = 2;  
    int x = 3;  
}  
y = 2*x;
```

b) Under what condition will the typechecker confirm that the code fragment above is valid?

c) What will be the values of x and y after executing the code fragment?

Question 2

For this question you will need the operational semantics rules in Appendix B.

a) Write down, in the form of a proof tree, the steps taken by an interpreter on the code

`x+++++x*x`

in an environment for which `x:=1`.

b) Assume that the value of `x` is 2. Write down the value of `x` after executing

`x=x++;`

and after executing, instead,

`x=++x;`

Appendix A: Typing Rules

Below I put pictures from the book for most of the rules and add two rules that are not in the book.

The function `lookupVar` refers to the function of the typechecker that looks up a variable in a context and returns the type of the variable.

Notice that the book uses \Rightarrow where I write the more commonly used \vdash instead.

Variables :

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash x : t} \quad \text{if } t == \text{lookupVar } x \text{ Gamma}$$

Assignment:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : t}{\Gamma \vdash x = e : t} \quad \text{if } t == \text{lookupVar } x \text{ Gamma}$$

Integers (doubles are similar):

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash 3 : \text{int}}$$

Binary operations (*, -, etc are similar):

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow a : t \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow b : t}{\Gamma \Rightarrow a + b : t} \quad \text{if } t \text{ is int or double}$$

Blocks:

$$\frac{\Gamma. \Rightarrow r_1 \dots r_m \text{ valid} \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow s_2 \dots s_n \text{ valid}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \{r_1 \dots r_m\} s_2 \dots s_n \text{ valid}}$$

Sequences of statements:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash s_1 \text{ valid} \quad \Gamma \vdash s_2 \dots s_n \text{ valid}}{\Gamma \vdash s_1 \dots s_n} \text{ if } s_1 \text{ is not a declaration}$$

Declarations:

$$\frac{\Gamma(x : T) \Longrightarrow s_2 \dots s_n \text{ valid}}{\Gamma \Longrightarrow Tx; s_2 \dots s_n \text{ valid}}$$

Expressions:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Longrightarrow e : t}{\Gamma \Longrightarrow e; \text{ valid}}$$

Appendix B: Operational Semantics

Assignment:

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash e \Downarrow \langle v, \gamma' \rangle}{\gamma \vdash x = e \Downarrow \langle v, \gamma'(x := v) \rangle}$$

Binary operations (replace - by +, *. etc):

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash a \Downarrow \langle u, \gamma' \rangle \quad \gamma' \vdash b \Downarrow \langle v, \gamma'' \rangle}{\gamma \vdash a - b \Downarrow \langle u - v, \gamma'' \rangle}$$

Postincrement (postdecrement works similarly):

$$\frac{}{\gamma \vdash x++ \Downarrow \langle v, \gamma(x := v + 1) \rangle} \text{ if } x := v \text{ in } \gamma$$

Preincrement (predecrement works similarly):

$$\frac{}{\gamma \vdash ++x \Downarrow \langle v + 1, \gamma(x := v + 1) \rangle} \text{ if } x := v \text{ in } \gamma$$