

Lambda Calculus

Lecture (4): Extending Simply Typed Lambda Calculus to model
programming language features

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Typed lambda calculus

Syntax:

$e ::=$

- x
- $| \lambda x:T. e$
- $| e_1 e_2$
- $| \text{true}$
- $| \text{false}$
- $| \text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3$

Typing relation
or
Typing judgment

Values:

$v :$

- true
- $| \text{false}$
- $| \lambda x:T. e$

Types:

$T :$

- bool
- $| T \rightarrow T$

$\Gamma \vdash e : T$ \leftarrow under the assumption
 Γ , e has type T

$\Gamma ::=$

- \emptyset
- $| \Gamma, x:T$ \leftarrow type assumption
for free variables

Operational semantics

if true then e_1 else $e_2 \rightarrow e_1$ [E-IFTRUE]

if false then e_1 else $e_2 \rightarrow e_2$ [E-IFFALSE]

$$\frac{e_1 \rightarrow e_1'}{\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 \rightarrow \text{if } e_1' \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3} \quad [\text{E-IF}]$$
$$\frac{e_1 \rightarrow e_1'}{e_1 e_2 \rightarrow e_1' e_2} \quad [\text{E-APP1}]$$
$$\frac{e_2 \rightarrow e_2'}{v e_2 \rightarrow v e_2'} \quad [\text{E-APP2}]$$
$$(\lambda x: T_{11}. e_2) v_1 \rightarrow [x \mapsto v_1] e_2 \quad [\text{E-APPABS}]$$

Typing rules:

true : Bool [T-TRUE] false : Bool [T-FALSE]

$$\frac{e_1 : \text{Bool} \quad e_2 : T \quad e_3 : T}{\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 : T} \quad [\text{T-IF}]$$
$$\frac{x : T \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : T} \quad [\text{T-VAR}]$$
$$\frac{\Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash e_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : T_1. e_2 : T_1 \rightarrow T_2} \quad [\text{T-ABS}]$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : T_1 \rightarrow T_2, \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : T_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 e_2 : T_2} \quad [\text{T-APP}]$$

Type safety = Progress + Preservation

Progress: A well-typed term is not stuck (either it is a value, or it can take a step according to operational semantics)

Preservation: If a well-typed term takes a step, the resulting term is also well-typed

Today...

Extensions to simply typed lambda calculus that allow us to model & verify common programming languages

1. Unit Type & sequencing
2. let binding
3. Records and variants
4. Subtyping
5. Pointers
6. Polymorphism

Syntax

$e ::= \dots$
 unit
 $e_1; e_2$

Values

$v ::= \dots$
 unit

Types

$T ::= \dots$
 UNIT

Unit

Semantics

$$\frac{e_1 \rightarrow e_1'}{e_1; e_2 \rightarrow e_1'; e_2}$$
$$\text{unit}; e_1 \rightarrow e_1$$

Typing

$\vdash \text{unit} : \text{UNIT}$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \text{UNIT} \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash e_1; e_2 : T_2}$$

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UNIT

$e_1; e_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$

$(\lambda x: \text{UNIT}. e_2) e_1$
where $x \notin \text{FV}(e_2)$

Unit

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let bindings

Syntax:

$e ::= \dots$

$| \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2$

Semantics

$\text{let } x = v \text{ in } e \rightarrow [x \mapsto v] e$

$$\frac{e_1 \rightarrow e_1'}{\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \rightarrow \text{let } x = e_1' \text{ in } e_2}$$

Typing

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : T_1 \quad \Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash e_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 : T_2}$$

Example:

$\lambda f. \lambda x.$

let double

$= \lambda g. \lambda y (g(g(y)))$

in

$\text{double } f (\text{double } f x)$

Records

~~eg:~~

let $x = \{ \text{real} : 5, \text{imag} : 6 \}$ in
square ($x.\text{real} * x.\text{real} + x.\text{imag} * x.\text{imag}$)

Variants

~~eg:~~

Addr = $\langle \text{physical} : \text{Physical Addr},$
 $\text{virtual} : \text{Virtual Addr} \rangle$
let $a = \langle \text{physical} = pa \rangle$ as Addr;
getname = $\lambda a : \text{Addr}.$
 case a of
 $\langle \text{physical} = x \rangle \Rightarrow x.\text{firstlast}$
 | $\langle \text{virtual} = y \rangle \Rightarrow y.\text{name}$

Records

Syntax

$$e ::= \dots \quad i \in 1..n \\ \{ l_i = e_i \}$$

Values

$$v ::= \dots \quad i \in 1..n \\ \{ l_i = v_i \}$$

Types

$$T ::= \dots \quad i \in 1..n \\ \{ l_i : T_i \}$$

Semantics

$$\{ l_i = v_i \quad i \in 1..n \} \cdot l_j \rightarrow v_j$$

$$\frac{e_1 \rightarrow e_1'}{e_1 \cdot l \rightarrow e_1' \cdot l}$$

$$e_j \rightarrow e_j'$$

$$\frac{\{ l_i = v_i \quad i \in 1..j-1, \quad l_j = e_j, \\ l_i = v_i \quad i \in j+1..n \}}{\rightarrow \{ l_i = v_i \quad i \in 1..j-1, \quad l_j = e_j', \\ l_i = v_i \quad i \in j+1..n \}}$$

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Typing rules

$$\frac{\text{for each } i \quad \Gamma \vdash e_i : T_i}{\Gamma \vdash \{ l_i = e_i \}_{i \in 1..n} : \{ l_i : T_i \}_{i \in 1..n}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \{ l_i : T_i \}_{i \in 1..n}}{\Gamma \vdash e.l_j : T_j}$$

To Do:

Prove type safety
(progress + preservation)

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Syntax

$e ::= \dots$
| $\langle l = e \rangle \text{ as } T$
| case e of
 $\langle l_i = x_i \rangle \Rightarrow e_i$ $i \in 1..n$

Types:

$T ::= \dots$ $i \in 1..n$
 $\langle l_i : T_i \rangle$

Variants

Semantics

case $\langle l_j = v_i \rangle \text{ as } T$ of t_i $i \in 1..n$
 $\langle l_i = x_i \rangle \Rightarrow$

$\rightarrow [x_i \mapsto v_i] t_i$

$e \rightarrow e'$

case e of $\langle l_i = x_i \rangle \Rightarrow e_i$ $i \in 1..n$
 \rightarrow case e' of $\langle l_i = x_i \rangle \Rightarrow e_i$ $i \in 1..n$

$e \rightarrow e'$

$\langle l_i = e \rangle \text{ as } T \rightarrow \langle l_i = e' \rangle \text{ as } T$

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| $\langle l = e \rangle \text{ as } T$
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Types:

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 $\langle l_i : T_i \rangle$

Variants

Typing rules

$\Gamma \vdash e_j : T_j$

$\Gamma \vdash \langle l_j = e_j \rangle \text{ as } \langle l_i : T_i \rangle_{i \in 1..n}$
 $: \langle l_i : T_i \rangle_{i \in 1..n}$

$\Gamma \vdash e : \langle l_i : T_i \rangle_{i \in 1..n}$

for each i $\Gamma, x_i : T_i \vdash e_i : T_i$

$\Gamma \vdash \text{case } e \text{ of}$
 $\langle l_i = x_i \rangle \Rightarrow e_i$ $i \in 1..n$ $: T$

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Subtyping:

Consider the term:

$(\lambda r : \{x : \text{Nat}\}. r.x) \quad \{x=0, y=1\}$

\uparrow
Type $\{x : \text{Nat}, y : \text{Nat}\}$

Subtyping:

Consider the term:

$(\lambda x : \{x : \text{Nat}\}. x.x) \{x=0, y=1\}$

$\text{Type } \{x : \text{Nat}, y : \text{Nat}\}$

cannot type this since:

$\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \bar{T}_1 \rightarrow T_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \bar{T}_1$

$\Gamma \vdash e_1 e_2 : T_2$

Idea: A value of type $\{x : \text{Nat}, y : \text{Nat}\}$ should be usable wherever a value of type $\{x : \text{Nat}\}$ is desired!

$S <: T$, read "S is a subtype of T"
and means "A term of type S can be
safely used wherever a term of type T is
expected"

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : S \quad S <: T}{\Gamma \vdash t : T} \text{ [T-SUB]}$$

Subtyping

Types:

$T ::= \dots$
 Top

Typing Rules:

$S <: S$ [S-REFL]

$$\frac{S <: U \quad U <: T}{S <: T} \text{ [S-TRANS]}$$

$S <: \text{TOP}$ [S-TOP]

$$\frac{T_1 <: S_1 \quad S_2 <: T_2}{S_1 \rightarrow S_2 <: T_1 \rightarrow T_2} \text{ [S-ARROW]}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : S \quad S <: T}{\Gamma \vdash e : T} \text{ [T-SUB]}$$

Sub-typing

Type:

Top

Typing Rule:

$S <: S$ [S-REFL]

$\frac{S <: U \quad U <: T}{S <: T}$ [S-TRANS] $S <: \text{TOP}$ [S-TOP]

$\frac{T_1 <: S_1 \quad S_2 <: T_2}{S_1 \rightarrow S_2 <: T_1 \rightarrow T_2}$ [S-ARROW] $\frac{\Gamma \vdash e: S \quad S <: T}{\Gamma \vdash e: T}$ [T-SUB]

$\{l_i: T_i\}_{i \in 1 \dots n+k}$
 $<: \{l_i: T_i\}_{i \in 1 \dots n}$
 [S-RCDWIDTH]

for each $i \quad S_i <: T_i$
 $\frac{}{\{l_i: S_i\}_{i \in 1 \dots n} <: \{l_i: T_i\}_{i \in 1 \dots n}}$
 [S-RCDDEPTH]

$\{k_j: S_j\}_{j \in 1 \dots n}$ is a permutation of $\{l_i: T_i\}_{i \in 1 \dots n}$
 $\frac{}{\{k_j: S_j\}_{j \in 1 \dots n} <: \{l_i: T_i\}_{i \in 1 \dots n}}$
 [S-RCDPERM]

Pointers (references)

let $x = \text{ref } 5$ in

let $y = x$ in

$x := !x + 1;$

$y := !y + 1;$

$!x$

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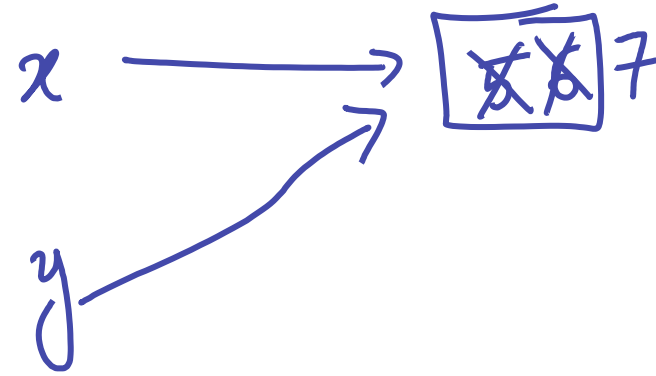
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$!x$



References

Syntax:

$e ::= \dots$
 $\text{ref } e$
 $e_1 := e_2$
 $!e$

Values:

$v ::= \dots$
 $l \leftarrow \text{store locations}$
(memory address)

Types:

$T ::= \dots$
 $\text{Ref } T$

Semantics

Introduce:

$\mu : \text{Locations} \rightarrow \text{values}$
 \uparrow
memory

Operational semantics:

$e \mid \mu \rightarrow e' \mid \mu'$

"Term e evolves to e' ,
changing memory from
 μ to μ' as a side-effect"

Semantics:

$$\frac{e_1 \mid \mu \rightarrow e_1' \mid \mu'}{!e_1 \mid \mu \rightarrow !e_1' \mid \mu'} \quad [\text{E-DEREF}]$$

$$\frac{\mu(l) = v}{!l \mid \mu \rightarrow v \mid \mu} \quad [\text{E-DEREF}_{\text{Loc}}]$$

$$\frac{e_1 \mid \mu \rightarrow e_1' \mid \mu'}{e_1 := e_2 \mid \mu \rightarrow e_1' := e_2 \mid \mu'} \quad [\text{E-ASSIGN1}]$$

$$\frac{e_2 \mid \mu \rightarrow e_2' \mid \mu'}{v := e_2 \mid \mu \rightarrow v := e_2' \mid \mu'} \quad [\text{E-ASSIGN2}]$$

$$l := v_2 \mid \mu \rightarrow \text{unit} \mid [l \mapsto v_2] \mu \quad [\text{E-ASSIGN}]$$

$$\frac{e_1 \mid \mu \rightarrow e_1' \mid \mu'}{\text{ref } e_1 \mid \mu \rightarrow \text{ref } e_1' \mid \mu} \quad [\text{E-REF}]$$

$$\frac{l \notin \text{dom}(\mu)}{\text{ref } v_1 \mid \mu \rightarrow l \mid (\mu, l \mapsto v)} \quad [\text{E-REFU}]$$

Typing relation:

$\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e : T$

Store typing: a function from locations
to types

Typing rules:

$$\frac{\Sigma(l) = T_1}{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash l : \text{Ref } T_1}$$

[T-LOC]

$$\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 : T_1$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 : T_1}{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash \text{ref } e_1 : \text{Ref } T_1}$$

[T-REF]

$$\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 : \text{Ref } T_1$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 : \text{Ref } T_1}{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash !e_1 : T_1}$$

[T-DEREF]

$$\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 : \text{Ref } T$$

$$\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_2 : T$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 : \text{Ref } T \quad \Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_2 : T}{\Gamma \mid \Sigma \vdash e_1 := e_2 : \text{Unit}}$$

[T-ASSIGN]

Interaction between references & subtyping

$$\frac{S <: T}{\text{Ref } S <: \text{Ref } T} \quad [\text{UN SOUND}]$$

Interaction between references & subtyping

$S <: T$ [UNSOUND]

$\text{Ref } S <: \text{Ref } T$

let $x = \text{ref } \{a: 5, b: 10\}$ in

let $\text{foo} = \lambda y : \text{ref } \{a: \text{Nat}\} \text{ in}$
 $\quad y \cdot a$

in

$\text{foo } (x)$

Interaction between references & subtyping

$$\frac{S <: T}{\text{Ref } S <: \text{Ref } T} \quad [\text{UN SOUND}]$$

let $x = \text{ref } \{a: 5, b: 10\}$ in
let bar = $\lambda y: \text{ref } \{a: \text{Nat}\}$ in
 $y := \{a: 15\}$ in

bar (x);
 $x.b \leftarrow$ cannot evaluate!

Sound rule

$$\frac{S <: T \quad T <: S}{\text{Ref } S <: \text{Ref } T}$$

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Java design flaw

$$\frac{S <: T}{\text{Array } S <: \text{Array } T} \quad [\text{UNSOUND}]$$

Consequence:

- Expensive runtime checks
- Java designers agree that this is a design flaw

let polymorphism
Would like to type:

let double = $\lambda f. \lambda a. f(f(a))$ in

let a = double ($\lambda x: \text{Nat}. \text{succ}(\text{succ}(x))$) 1 in

let b = double ($\lambda x: \text{Bool}. \text{not } x$) false in

Recall typing rule for let:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : T_1 \quad \Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash e_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 : T_2}$$

Polymorphic let rule [Milner 1978]

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Polymorphic typing rule for let:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash [x \mapsto e_1] e_2 : T_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_1 : T_1}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 : T_2} \quad [\text{MILNER}]$$

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