

# COMP3141

Software System Design and Implementation

## More on the Curry Howard Isomorphism

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## Exercise 6

- Evaluate terms.
- Satisfiability.
- Enumerating solutions.

## What is Intuitionistic Logic?

- Classical logic is the logic that most people know about.
- Intuitionistic logic does not contain the axiom of excluded middle  $p \vee \neg p$  or equivalently  $\neg\neg p \rightarrow p$ .
- In classical logic more can be proven but less can be expressed.
- Intuitionistic proof of an existence statement gives a witness for the statement.

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    - Pick  $x = \sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}}$  and  $y = \sqrt{2}$
    - Then  $x^y = (\sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}})^{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}^2 = 2$  so  $x^y \in \mathbb{Q}$

## Recall: The Curry-Howard Isomorphism

This correspondence goes by many names, but is usually attributed to **Haskell Curry** and **William Howard**.

It is a *very deep* result:

Logic	Programming
Propositions	Types
Proofs	Programs
Proof Simplification	Evaluation

It turns out, no matter what logic you want to define, there is always a corresponding  $\lambda$ -calculus, and vice versa.

Constructive Logic	Typed $\lambda$ -Calculus
Classical Logic	Continuations
Modal Logic	Monads
Linear Logic	Linear Types, Session Types
Separation Logic	Region Types

# Translating

We can translate logical connectives to types and back:

Conjunction ( $\wedge$ )	Tuples
Disjunction ( $\vee$ )	Either
Implication	Functions
True	()
False	Void

We can also translate our *equational reasoning* on programs into *proof simplification* on proofs!



## Constructors and Elimimators for Sums

```
data TrafficLight = Red | Amber | Green
```

### Example (Traffic Lights)

```
TrafficLight  $\simeq$  Either () (Either () ())
```

```
Red  $\simeq$  Left ()
```

```
Amber  $\simeq$  Right (Left ())
```

```
Green  $\simeq$  Right (Right (Left ()))
```

# Type Correctness

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 \end{array}$$

## Examples

```
prop_or_false :: a -> (Either a Void)
```

```
prop_or_false a = Left a
```

```
prop_or_true :: a -> (Either a ())
```

```
prop_or_true a = Right ()
```

```
prop_and_true :: a -> (a, ())
```

```
prop_and_true a = (a, ())
```

```
prop_double_neg_intro :: a -> (a -> Void) -> Void
```

```
prop_double_neg_intro a f = f a
```

```
prop_triple_neg_elim ::
```

```
((a -> Void) -> Void) -> Void -> a -> Void
```

```
prop_triple_neg_elim f a = f (\g -> g a)
```

## Wrap-up

- ➊ Assignment 2 is due Wednesday evening (4th August 6pm).
- ➋ There is a quiz for this week, but no exercise.
- ➌ Next week's lectures consist of an **extension or guest** lecture and a **revision lecture** on Friday.
- ➍ Revision topics can be posted in the forum
- ➎ If you enjoyed the course and want to do more in this direction, ask us for thesis topics, taste of research projects, and consider attending COMP3161 and COMP4161.
- ➏ Fill in the myExperience reports, it is important for us to receive your feedback. Everyone gets bonus mark if we get over 50% response rate.

## Consultations

- Consultations will be made on request. Ask on forum or email `cs3141@cse.unsw.edu.au`.
- If there is a consultation it will be announced on Piazza with a link a room number for Hopper.
- Will be on the Tuesday, 4pm to 5:30pm on Blackboard Collaborate.
- Make sure to join the queue on Hopper. Be ready to share your screen with REPL (`ghci` or `stack repl`) and editor set up.