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Static types for Information Flow

Designing and Implementing the type system

Managing confidentiality

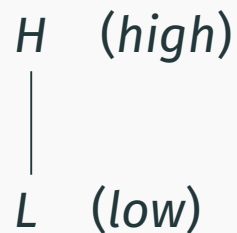
A **partial order** over confidentiality levels

$$A \sqsubseteq B$$

“ B is more secret or as secret as A .”

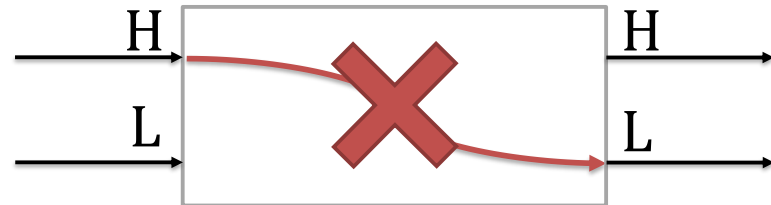
“Someone with credentials B can access information classified A .”

Example: the public/secret classification.



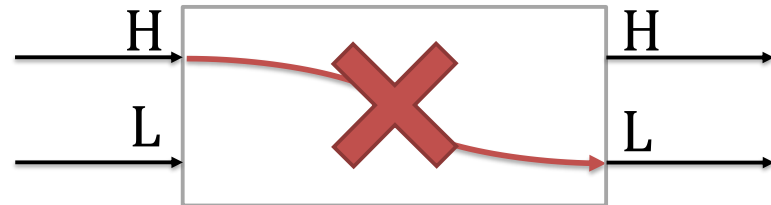
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Static Program certification: non interference

The Security Lattice in OCAML

```
# type slevel = High | Low;;
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# let leq a b = match a,b with
  | Low, _ -> true
  | _, High -> true
  | _, _ -> false;;
val leq : slevel -> slevel -> bool = <fun>

# leq Low Low;;
- : bool = true
# leq High Low;;
- : bool = false
#
```

The Security Lattice in OCAML

```
# let join e e' = if e = Low then e' else High ;;  
val join : slevel -> slevel -> slevel = <fun>
```

```
# let meet e e' = if e = Low then Low else e';;  
val meet : slevel -> slevel -> slevel = <fun>  
# let eq = (=) ;;  
val eq : 'a -> 'a -> bool = <fun>  
#
```

```
val eq : 'a -> 'a -> bool = <fun>  
# eq Low High ;;  
- : bool = false  
#
```

A simple imperative language

$e ::= x \mid n \mid e_1 + e_2 \mid \dots$

$c ::= x := e$
 $\mid \text{if } e \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2$
 $\mid \text{while } e \text{ do } c$
 $\mid c_1; c_2$

Abstract Syntax Tree (aka Syntax)

```
# type ide = string;;
type ide = string

# type exp = Var of ide
          | CstI of int
          | CstB of bool
          | Times of exp * exp
          | Eq of exp * exp
          | Not of exp;;
type exp =
  Var of ide
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  | Eq of exp * exp
  | Not of exp
#
```


Abstract Syntax Tree (aka Syntax)

```
# type com =  
  Assign of ide * exp  
| IF of exp * com * com  
| While of exp * com  
| Seq of com * com;;  
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```

The type checker

Our type checker will be a function

```
let rec type_check_com (c:com) (tenv: sleeve) env (cxt: slevel): bool =  
  match c with  
  | ... do stuff with the command definitions ... |  
  
type_check_exp exp tenv .....
```

that takes the command to be type checked, the initial type environment, the context, and returns a Boolean value

We return a type error message if the program fails to typecheck.

Type checking expressions

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash n: \perp}$$

`type_check_exp (CstI 5) (tenv: slevel env) = Low`

$$\frac{\Gamma(x) = \ell}{\Gamma \vdash x: \ell}$$

`type_check_exp (var x) (tenv: slevel env) =
lookup tenv x`

Summing up

```
let rec type_check_exp (e:exp) (tenv: slevel env) =  
  match e with  
  | CstI i -> Low  
  | CstB b -> Low  
  | Var x -> lookup tenv x  
  | _ -> failwith "type error";;  
:  
# let empty = [];;  
val empty : 'a list = []  
:  
# let te2 = extend te1 "y" High;;  
val te2 : (string * slevel) list = [("y", High); ("x", Low)]  
# type_check_exp (CstI 5) empty;;  
- : slevel = Low  
# type_check_exp (Var "y") te2;;  
- : slevel = High  
#
```

Basic operations

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e1: \ell1, \Gamma \vdash e2: \ell2}{\Gamma \vdash e1 + e2: \ell1 \sqcup \ell2}$$

```
# let rec type_check_exp (e:exp) (tenv: slevel env) =  
  | Times(e1,e2) -> join (type_check_exp e1 tenv)      (type_check_exp e2 tenv)  
  | Eq(e1,e2) -> join (type_check_exp e1 tenv) (type_check_exp e2 tenv)  
  | Not e1 -> let type_check_exp e1 tenv in  
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TYPE CHECKING STATEMENTS



The type checker function

$$\Gamma, cxt \vdash c$$

```
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  match c with ... do stuff ..
```

```
val type_check_com : com -> slevel env -> slevel -> bool = <fun>
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Assignment

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{e} : \ell \quad \ell \sqcup ctx \sqsubseteq \Gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\Gamma, ctx \vdash \mathbf{x} := \mathbf{e}}$$

let rec type_check_com (c:com) (tenv: slevel env) (cxt: slevel)

Assign(i, e) -> let t = type_check_exp e tenv in
let cxt1 = (join cxt t) in (sleq cxt1 (lookup tenv i))

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Conditional

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \ell \quad \Gamma, \ell \sqcup ctx \vdash c1 \quad \Gamma, \ell \sqcup ctx \vdash c2}{\Gamma, ctx \vdash \text{if } e \text{ then } c1 \text{ else } c2}$$

```
IF(e, c1, c2) -> let t = type_check_exp e tenv in
                  let cxt1 = (join cxt t) in
                      (type_check_com c1 tenv cxt1) &&
                      (type_check_com c2 tenv cxt1)
```

While

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \ell \quad \Gamma, \ell \sqcup ctx \vdash c}{\Gamma, ctx \vdash \text{while } e \text{ do } c}$$

**While(e,body) -> let t = type_check_exp e tenv in
let cxt1 = (join cxt t) in
(type_check_com body tenv cxt1)**

Sequencing

$$\frac{\Gamma, ctx \vdash c1 \quad \Gamma, ctx \vdash c2}{\Gamma, ctx \vdash c1 ; c2}$$

**Seq(c1, c2) -> (type_check_com c1 tenv cxt) &&
(type_check_com c2 tenv cxt);;**

Summing up

```
let rec type_check_com (c:com) (tenv: slevel env) (cxt: slevel) =  
  match c with  
  | Assign(i, e) -> let t = type_check_exp e tenv in  
                     let cxt1 = (join cxt t) in (sleq cxt1 (lookup tenv i))  
  | IF(e, c1, c2) -> let t = type_check_exp e tenv in  
                     let cxt1 = (join cxt t) in  
                               (type_check_com c1 tenv cxt1) &&  
                               (type_check_com c2 tenv cxt1)  
  | While(e,body) -> let t = type_check_exp e tenv in  
                     let cxt1 = (join cxt t) in  
                               (type_check_com body tenv cxt1)  
  | Seq(c1, c2) -> (type_check_com c1 tenv cxt) &&  
                  (type_check_com c2 tenv cxt);;
```


An example

```
# let c1 = IF(Eq(Var "x", CstI 0), Assign("z", CstI 1), Assign("z", CstI 2));;
val c1 : com =
  IF (Eq (Var "x", CstI 0), Assign ("z", CstI 1), Assign ("z", CstI 2))
# let c2 = Assign("y", Var "z");;
val c2 : com = Assign ("y", Var "z")
# let c = Seq(c1, c2);;
val c : com =
  Seq (IF (Eq (Var "x", CstI 0), Assign ("z", CstI 1), Assign ("z", CstI 2)),
    Assign ("y", Var "z"))
```

If x = 0 then z = 1 else z = 2 ;

y = z

An example

```
val tenv : (string * slevel) list = [("z", Low); ("y", High); ("x", Low)]
```

```
# type_check_com c tenv Low;;  
- : bool = true
```