A set of terms. A term t belongs to a type T if it can be

determined statically that t evaluates to a value of the form T

is trying to represent.

The smallest binary relation between terms and types that

satisfies the language's type rules.

... typable or well typed.

The *inversion* (or *generation*) *lemma*, which for any typing statement in the language shows how the proof could be generated, using nothing more than the typing relation.

Using a *typing derivation* which is a tree of applications of typing rules in which every leaf ends with a typing rule that

has no premises.

The term is not in a *canonical form* (a value) but no further evaluation rules apply.

If the type system is sound a well-typed term when evaluated

will not reach a "stuck state".

By proving *progress* and *preservation* properties.

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Preservation: an evaluation step of a well-typed term results

in another well-typed term.

The statement "t has type  $\T$ " remains true even as its subject (t) is reduced.