

Principles of Programming languages

Assignment 4 – Theoretical part

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1. Perform the typing inference algorithm for the expression:

$((\text{lambda } (x_1, y_1)(\text{if } (> x_1 y_1) \#t \#f)) 8 \ 3)$

Step 1: Rename bound variables:

$((\text{lambda } (x, y)(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f)) 8 \ 3)$

Step2: Assign type variables for every sub expression:

| Expression | Variable |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| $((\text{lambda } (x, y)(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f)) 8 \ 3)$ | T0 |
| $(\text{lambda } (x, y)(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f))$ | T1 |
| $(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f)$ | T2 |
| $(> x y)$ | T3 |
| $>$ | T> |
| x | Tx |
| y | Ty |
| $\#t$ | T#t |
| $\#f$ | T#f |
| 8 | Tnum8 |
| 3 | Tnum3 |

Step 3: The equations for the sub-expressions are:

| Expression | Equation |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $((\text{lambda } (x, y)(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f)) 8 \ 3)$ | $T1 = [Tnum8 * Tnum3 \rightarrow T0]$ |
| $(\text{lambda } (x, y)(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f))$ | $T1 = [Tx \rightarrow T2]$ |
| $(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f)$ | $T2 = T\#t$ |
| $(\text{if } (> x y) \#t \#f)$ | $T\#t = T\#f$ |
| $(> x y)$ | $T> = [Tx * Ty \rightarrow T3]$ |
| $>$ | $T> = [\text{Number} * \text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Boolean}]$ |
| $\#t$ | $T\#t = \text{Boolean}$ |
| $\#f$ | $T\#f = \text{Boolean}$ |
| 8 | $Tnum8 = \text{Number}$ |
| 3 | $Tnum3 = \text{Number}$ |

Step 4: Then Solve the equations

| Equation | Substitution |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| $T1 = [Tnum8 * Tnum3 \rightarrow T0]$ | |
| $T1 = [Tx \rightarrow T2]$ | |
| $T2 = T\#t$ | |
| $T\#t = T\#f$ | |
| $T\# = [Tx * Ty \rightarrow T3]$ | |
| $T\# = [Number * Number \rightarrow Boolean]$ | |
| $T\#t = Boolean$ | |
| $T\#f = Boolean$ | |
| $Tnum8 = Number$ | |
| $Tnum3 = Number$ | |

After a few step we get:

| Equation | Substitution |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------|
| | $T1 = [Number * Number \rightarrow Boolean]$ |
| | $T2 = Boolean$ |
| | $T\#t = Boolean$ |
| | $T\#f = Boolean$ |
| | $T\# = [Number * Number \rightarrow Boolean]$ |
| | $Tnum8 = Number$ |
| | $Tnum3 = Number$ |
| | $Tx = Number$ |
| | $Ty = Number$ |
| | $T0 = Boolean$ |

And we will return the answer $T0 = Boolean$.

2. a. assuming that this is the typing statement: $\{f: [T1 \rightarrow T2], x: T1\} \vdash (f\ x): T2$ (there seemed to be a typo of this sort $(f\ x): T2$) then under the environment that x is of T1, and f receives a T1 and returns T2, then $f(x)$ is of type T2, so the statement is True.
If this was not a typo, then the statement is false since there is no expression.
- b. again, assuming that there is a typo and the correct typing statement is:
 $\{f: [T1 \rightarrow T2], g: [T2 \rightarrow T3], x: T2\} \vdash (f\ g\ x): T3$, then $g(x)$ receives x of type T2 and outputs T3, but f receives T1, so it cannot receive g as an input, so the typing statement is False.

c. $\{f:[T2 \rightarrow T1], g:[T1 \rightarrow T2], x:T1\} \vdash (f(g\ x)) : T1$, this statement is True,
because it goes $x:T1 \rightarrow g:T2 \rightarrow f:T1$, g can receive $T1$ as input and f receives $T2$ as input
so everything is legal. So the final type is $T1$, makes the statement true.

d. $\{f:[T2 \rightarrow \text{Number}], x:\text{Number}\} \vdash (f\ x) : \text{Number}$, this statement is false. Because we do not
know anything about $T2$, but we activate f on $(\text{number} * \text{number})$ and we cannot confirm $T2$
is of this type. We also cannot confirm $T2$ is of type number, so this statement is False.

3. The type of cons in scheme is: $(T1 * T2) \rightarrow T3$, since it receives two arguments of $T1$ and
 $T2$, and returns a list of these arguments, so it also returns a vector type of $T1 * T2$ but in the
form of a list which we consider $T3$. The list type is generic because it depends on $T1$ and $T2$.

The type of car in scheme is: $T1 \rightarrow T2$, when $T1$ is a list of type $(T3 * T4 * T5 * \dots Tn)$ and $T2$ is the
first element of the list so $T2 = T3$.

The type of cdr in scheme is: $T1 \rightarrow T2$, when $T1$ is a list of type $(T3 * T4 * T5 * \dots Tn)$ and $T2$ is a
list of type $(T4 * T5 * \dots Tn)$.

4. The type of the following function: $(\text{Define } f \text{ (lambda (x)) (values x x)))$

$$T0 = [Tx \rightarrow [Tx * Tx * Tx]]$$

5. a. the MGU here is $T1 = T2$

b. any MGU here will work, because there is no generic property here the statement
 $\text{Number} = \text{Number}$ will always be true.

c. $[T1 * [T1 \rightarrow T2] \rightarrow \text{Number}]$, $[[T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}] * [T4 \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow \text{Number}]$

the MGU here is the following:

$T1 = [T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}]$ because of the left side argument of the main function

$T4 = T1$ - because of the right side argument of the main function and nested the left side
argument of that function. So now we can deduce that:

$T4 = [T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}]$

$T2 = \text{Number}$

Substituting we got the following type statement:

$[[T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}] * [T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow \text{Number}$,

$[[T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}] * [T3 \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow \text{Number}$

d. $[T1 \rightarrow T1]$, $[T1 \rightarrow [\text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Number}]]$ has the following MGU:

$T1 = T1$,

$T1 = [\text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Number}]$

Substituting we get:

$[[\text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow [\text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Number}]]$,

$[[\text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Number}] \rightarrow [\text{Number} \rightarrow \text{Number}]]$

Part 2 q.3

- *(define f (lambda (x) (values x (+ x 1))))*

(define f
 *(lambda ([x : Number]): [Number * Number]*
 (values x (+ x 1))))

- *(define g (lambda (x) (values "x" x)))*

(define g
 *(lambda ([x: Tx]): [String * Tx]*
 (values "x" x)))

Part 4 q.b

The advantages of the Promise object versus the callbacks are:

- Easier to understand.
- Working with synchronous operations that need to notify only once (usually completion or error).
- Coordinating or managing multiple asynchronous operations at the same time.
- Handling errors from nested or deeply nested asynchronous operations at the highest level without going into the nested operations
- Chaining asynchronous operations (such as do these two async operations, examine the result) without the need of complex syntax and code.
- Managing a mix of asynchronous and synchronous operations