

SWEN430 - Compiler Engineering

Lecture 8 - Typing II

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Syntax for λ_W — a subset of While

p	::=	$f_1 \dots f_n e$	<i>programs</i>
f	::=	$T_1 n_1 (T_2 n_2) \{ \bar{s} \}$	<i>functions</i>
e	::=		<i>expressions</i>
		b	<i>logical constants</i>
		c	<i>numeric constants</i>
		n	<i>variables</i>
		$e_1 \text{ op } e_2$	<i>binary</i>
		$n(e)$	<i>application</i>
s	::=	$n = e; \mid \text{if } (e) s_1 \text{ else } s_2 \mid \text{return } e;$	<i>statements</i>
b	::=	true false	<i>truth values</i>
c	::=	... -1 0 1 ...	<i>numeric values</i>
T	::=	bool int	<i>types</i>
op	::=	'==' '!=' '+' '-' '*'	<i>operators</i>
		'<' '<=' '>=' '>'	

This uses a form of grammar notation often used in PL theory work.

Simplifications in λ_W

- Functions accept **one parameter** and always **return something**
- No **variable declarations** (other than for parameters)
- No **unary operators**, and only a few **binary operators**
- Only types are `int` and `bool`
- No **compound data types** (i.e. records, lists)
- Only statements are **assignment**, **if** and **return**
- Every **program** has an expression to be evaluated (rather than have `main()` function)

Can easily be extended to include other features.

Example λ_W Programs

- **Valid Programs:**

1) `1 + 1`

2) `int f(int x) { x = x + 1; return x; } f(1)`

3) `int f(int x) { return x + 1; }
int g(bool x) { return 1; }
f(g(true))`

- **Invalid (but syntactically correct) Programs:**

1) `1 + true`

2) `int f(int x) { x = true; return x; } f(1)`

3) `int f(int x) { return x; } f(true)`

Some Notes on the Notation

- $\frac{A}{B}$ (Rule-Name) is used to show what requirements (A) B has.
 - The rule is called Rule-Name.
 - If A holds, then B holds. (Forwards)
 - You can show that B holds by showing that A holds. (Backwards)
 - If A is empty B is always true
 - To prove A you recursively apply more rules, until no more are necessary.
- Write $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ to mean that e has type T in environment Γ .
- Write $\Gamma \vdash s \text{ OK}$ to mean that s is well-typed.
- Γ is an *environment*, recording declarations that are in scope.

Type rules for expressions

$$\frac{}{\vdash n : \text{int}} \text{ (T-Num)} \qquad \frac{}{\vdash b : \text{bool}} \text{ (T-Bool)} \qquad \frac{x : T \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : T} \text{ (T-Var)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \text{int}, \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \text{int}, op \in \{ '+', '-', '*' \}}{\vdash e_1 \text{ op } e_2 : \text{int}} \text{ (T-AOp)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \text{int}, \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \text{int}, op \in \{ '<', '<= ', '>', '=>' \}}{\vdash e_1 \text{ op } e_2 : \text{bool}} \text{ (T-Rel)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : T_1, \Gamma \vdash e_2 : T_2, T_1 = T_2, op \in \{ '==', '!= ' \}}{\vdash e_1 \text{ op } e_2 : \text{bool}} \text{ (T-Eq)}$$

Type rules for statements, functions and programs

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash x : T_1, \Gamma \vdash e : T_2, T_1 = T_2}{x = e \text{ OK}} \text{ (T-Asgn)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \text{bool}, \Gamma \vdash s_1 \text{ OK}, \Gamma \vdash s_2 \text{ OK}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } (e) s_1 \text{ else } s_2 \text{ OK}} \text{ (T-If)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \cup \{n_2 : T_2\} \vdash \bar{s} : T_1}{\Gamma \vdash T_1 n_1 (T_2 n_2) \bar{s} \text{ OK}} \text{ (T-Fun)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \bar{m} \text{ OK}, \Gamma \cup \{\bar{m}\} \vdash e : T}{\Gamma \vdash \bar{m} e : T} \text{ (T-Prog)}$$

Ex: What's missing?

Precision of Type Checking

Progress Theorem (Soundness)

A well-typed term t is not stuck (either t is a value or there exists some transition $t \rightarrow t'$)

Preservation Theorem (Soundness)

If a well-typed term is evaluated one step, then the resulting term is also well typed (in fact, it has the same type)

Completeness

If evaluating term t does not get **stuck**, then there exists a valid typing of t