

# Type theory and logic

## Lecture II: dependent type theory

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## Indexed families of sets (predicates)

Common mathematical statements involve predicates and universal/existential quantification.

For example: “For all natural number  $x : \mathbb{N}$ , if  $x$  is not zero, then there exists  $y : \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x$  is equal to  $1 + y$ .”

In type theory, a predicate on  $A$  has type  $A \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  — a *family of sets* indexed by the domain  $A$ . For example:

$$\vdash \lambda x. \text{“if } x \text{ is zero then } \mathbf{0} \text{ else } \mathbf{1}\text{”} : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$$

(Note that the above treatment is in fact unfounded in our current theory. Why? (We will fix it on Thursday.))

## Dependent product types (universal quantification)

- Formation:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \mathcal{U} \quad \Gamma \vdash B : A \rightarrow \mathcal{U}}{\Gamma \vdash \Pi A B : \mathcal{U}} \text{ (}\Pi\text{F)}$$

- Introduction:

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash t : B x}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. t : \Pi A B} \text{ (}\Pi\text{I)}$$

- Elimination:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : \Pi A B \quad \Gamma \vdash a : A}{\Gamma \vdash f a : B a} \text{ (}\Pi\text{E)}$$

**Notation.** We usually write  $\Pi(x : A) B x$  for  $\Pi A B$  (where ' $\Pi(x : A)$ ' is regarded as a quantifier).

**Exercise.** Let  $\Gamma := A : \mathcal{U}, B : \mathcal{U}, C : A \rightarrow B \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ . Derive

$$\Gamma \vdash \_ : (\Pi(x : A) \Pi(y : B) C x y) \rightarrow \Pi(y : B) \Pi(x : A) C x y$$

## Dependent sum types (existential quantification)

- Formation:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \mathcal{U} \quad \Gamma \vdash B : A \rightarrow \mathcal{U}}{\Gamma \vdash \Sigma A B : \mathcal{U}} (\Sigma F)$$

- Introduction:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash b : B a}{\Gamma \vdash (a, b) : \Sigma A B} (\Sigma I)$$

- Elimination:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash p : \Sigma A B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fst } p : A} (\Sigma EL) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash p : \Sigma A B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{snd } p : B (\text{fst } p)} (\Sigma ER)$$

**Notation.** We usually write  $\Sigma(x:A) B x$  for  $\Sigma A B$ .

**Exercise.** Let  $\Gamma := A : \mathcal{U}, B : \mathcal{U}, C : A \rightarrow B \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ . Derive the *axiom of choice*:

$$\Gamma \vdash \_ : (\Pi(x:A) \Sigma(y:B) C x y) \rightarrow \Sigma(f:A \rightarrow B) \Pi(x:A) C x (f x)$$

## Computation

Let  $\Gamma := A : \mathcal{U}, B : A \rightarrow \mathcal{U}, C : A \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ . Try to derive

$$\Gamma \vdash \_ : (\Pi(p : \Sigma A B) C (\text{fst } p)) \rightarrow (\Pi(x : A) B x \rightarrow C x)$$

... and you should notice some problems.

So far we have been concentrating on the *statics* of type theory; here we need to invoke the *dynamics* of the theory.

## Equality judgements and computation rules

We introduce a new kind of judgements stating that two terms should be regarded as the same during typechecking:

$$\Gamma \vdash t = u \in A$$

For each set, (when applicable) we specify additional *computational rules* stating that eliminating an introductory term yields a component of the latter. For example, for product types we have two computation rules:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash b : B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fst}(a, b) = a \in A} (\times\text{CL}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash b : B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{snd}(a, b) = b \in B} (\times\text{CR})$$

## More computation rules

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash t : B \quad \Gamma \vdash a : A}{\Gamma \vdash (\lambda x. t) a = t[a/x] \in A \rightarrow B} (\rightarrow C)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash f : A \rightarrow C \quad \Gamma \vdash g : B \rightarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash \text{case}(\text{left } a) fg = fa \in C} (+CL)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash b : B \quad \Gamma \vdash f : A \rightarrow C \quad \Gamma \vdash g : B \rightarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash \text{case}(\text{right } b) fg = gb \in C} (+CR)$$

## More computation rules

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash t : B \quad \Gamma \vdash a : A}{\Gamma \vdash (\lambda x. t) a = t[a/x] \in B a} \text{ (IIC)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash b : B a}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fst}(a, b) = a \in A} \text{ (\Sigma CL)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash b : B a}{\Gamma \vdash \text{snd}(a, b) = b \in B a} \text{ (\Sigma CR)}$$



Predicates respect computation.