

Important info

- All information on Canvas
- Demonstrator: Steven Cheung
- Assessment: 50% CA + 50% Exam
- CA = weekly exercise sheets (formative) + 1 class test (summative)
- Daily drop-in lab 5-6pm

Weekly syllabus (tentative)

1. Introduction
2. Induction
3. Equality
4. Agda automation
5. Existential types
6. Vectors and finite sets
7. Dependent equality (Martin Escardó)
8. Record and co-patterns (Noam Zeilberger)
9. Heterogeneous data types
10. Class test no lectures (covering weeks 1-5)
11. Univalent maths (Benedikt Ahrens)

The Curry–Howard Isomorphism

AFP :: W1 :: L1
Dan R. Ghica



A true isomorphism



structure-
preserving

propositions are types
proofs are programs
simplification is
evaluation

Two unrelated (?) discoveries (inventions) in the 1930s



Alonzo Church
The λ -calculus



Gerhard Gentzen
Natural deduction



Church: Computation

From maths to computation via logic



Aristotle



Russell



Hilbert



Gödel

But what does it mean “to calculate”



al Khwarizmi



Church



Gödel



Turing



Gentzen: Logic and consistency

$\exists x.P(x)$

$\forall x.P(x)$

$P \ \& \ Q$

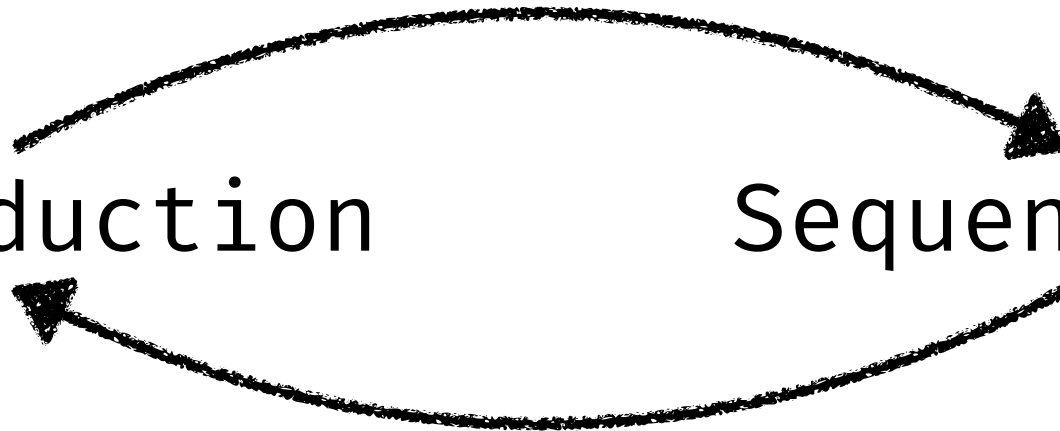
$P \ \vee \ Q$

$P \supset Q$

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Natural Deduction

Sequent Calculus



Natural deduction

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \vdots & \vdots & \\
 \frac{A \quad B}{A \ \& \ B} & \frac{A \ \& \ B}{A} & \frac{A \ \& \ B}{B}
 \end{array}$$

Sequent calculus

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \ \& \ B} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \ \& \ B}{\Gamma \vdash A} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \ \& \ B}{\Gamma \vdash B}$$

Proof of consistency

- rules come in pairs: introduction and elimination
- key results: normalisation and sub-formula property
- consistency follows



Haskell Curry: Propositions as types

$f : A \rightarrow B$
can be read as
 $A \supset B$

“If a function has an argument of type A
then it produces a result of type B.

propositions \Leftrightarrow types

functions \Leftrightarrow proofs

$A \ \& \ B \iff 'a \ * \ 'b$

\vdots $\frac{A \quad B}{A \ \& \ B}$	\vdots $\frac{A \ \& \ B}{A}$	\vdots $\frac{A \ \& \ B}{B}$
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$$\frac{p : 'a \quad q : 'b}{(p, q) : 'a \ * \ 'b}$$

$$\frac{p : 'a \ * \ 'b}{? : 'a}$$

$$\frac{p : 'a \ * \ 'b}{? : 'b}$$

$A \ \& \ B \iff 'a \ * \ 'b$

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$$\frac{p : 'a \quad q : 'b}{(p, q) : 'a \ * \ 'b} \quad \frac{p : 'a \ * \ 'b}{fst \ p : 'a} \quad \frac{p : 'a \ * \ 'b}{snd \ p : 'b}$$

```
# let p = 1;;
val p : int = 1
# let q = "hi";;
val q : string = "hi"
# (p, q);;
- : int * string = (1, "hi")
```

```
# let p = (3.14, 'z');;
val p : float * char = (3.14, 'z')
# fst p;;
- : float = 3.14
# snd p;;
- : char = 'z'
```

$A \vee B \Leftrightarrow ('a, 'b) \vee$ where

type $('a, 'b) \vee = L \text{ of } 'a \mid R \text{ of } 'b$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 A \\
 \hline
 A \vee B
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 B \\
 \hline
 A \vee B
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \frac{p : 'a}{? : ('a, 'b) \vee}$$

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 \vdots \\
 A \\
 \hline
 A \vee B
 \end{array}
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 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 B \\
 \hline
 A \vee B
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{p : 'a}{\text{L } p : ('a, 'b) \vee}
 \qquad
 \frac{p : 'b}{\text{R } p : ('a, 'b) \vee}$$

```

# type ('a, 'b) v = L of 'a | R of 'b ;;
type ('a, 'b) v = L of 'a | R of 'b
# let p = "hello!";;
val p : string = "hello!"
# L p;;
- : (string, 'a) v = L "hello!"
# R p;;
- : ('a, string) v = R "hello!"

```

$A \vee B \Leftrightarrow ('a, 'b) \vee$ where
 $\text{type } ('a, 'b) \vee = L \text{ of } 'a \mid R \text{ of } 'b$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 A \vee B \quad A \supset C \quad B \supset C \\
 \hline
 C
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 p : ('a, 'b) \vee \quad q : 'a \rightarrow 'c \quad r : 'b \rightarrow 'c \\
 \hline
 ? : 'c
 \end{array}$$

$A \vee B \Leftrightarrow ('a, 'b) \vee$ where

$\text{type } ('a, 'b) \vee = L \text{ of } 'a \mid R \text{ of } 'b$

$$\frac{A \vee B \quad A \supset C \quad B \supset C}{C}$$
$$\frac{p : ('a, 'b) \vee \quad q : 'a \rightarrow 'c \quad r : 'b \rightarrow 'c}{\text{match } p \text{ with } L \ x \rightarrow q \ x \mid R \ x \rightarrow r \ x : 'c}$$

```
# let p = L 1;;
val p : (int, 'a) v = L 1
# let q = string_of_int;;
val q : int → string = <fun>
# let r = string_of_float;;
val r : float → string = <fun>
# match p with L x → q x | R x → r x ;;
- : string = "1"
# let p = R 2.3;;
val p : ('a, float) v = R 2.3
# match p with L x → q x | R x → r x ;;
- : string = "2.3"
```

$$A \supset B \iff 'a \rightarrow 'b$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \supset B}$$

$$\frac{A \supset B \quad A}{B}$$

$$\frac{p : 'b}{\text{fun } (x : 'a) \rightarrow p : 'a \rightarrow 'b}$$

$$\frac{p : 'a \rightarrow 'b \quad q : 'a}{p \ q : 'b}$$

```
# let x = 1;;
val x : int = 1
# (string_of_int x) ^ "!" ;;
- : string = "1!"
# fun x → (string_of_int x) ^ "!" ;;
- : int → string = <fun>
```

```
# let p = string_of_int;;
val p : int → string = <fun>
# let q = 7;;
val q : int = 7
# p q;;
- : string = "7"
```

$\perp \Leftrightarrow \text{empty where}$
 type empty

$\frac{\perp}{A}$

ex nihilo
quodlibet

$\frac{p : \text{empty}}{? : 'a}$

$\perp \Leftrightarrow \text{empty where}$
 type empty

$$\frac{\perp}{A}$$

$$\frac{p : \text{empty}}{(\text{match } x \text{ with } []) \text{ } p : 'a}$$

not possible in OCaml, Haskell
possible in camlp4, Agda

$\perp \iff \text{exn}$

$\frac{\perp}{A}$

`raise: exn → 'a`

```
utop # exception E;;  
exception E  
utop # let f = function  
      | [] → 0  
      | x :: xs → raise E  
;;  
val f : 'a list → int = <fun>
```

$$\perp \iff \text{exn}$$

principium
contradictiones /
reductio ad absurdum

$$\frac{(A \supset \perp) \supset \perp}{A}$$

$$\frac{p : ('a \rightarrow \text{exn}) \rightarrow \text{exn}}{? : 'a}$$

impossible (in general)
“constructive” vs.
“classical”

“True” / “constructively provable”



Brouwer

Heyting

Kolmogorov

- A proof of $P \ \& \ Q$ is a pair $\langle a, b \rangle$ where a is a proof of P and b is a proof of Q .
- A proof of $P \vee Q$ is a tagged pair $\langle a, b \rangle$ where a is 0, b a proof of P , or a is 1, b a proof of Q .
- A proof of $P \supset Q$ is a function f that converts a proof of P into a proof of Q .
- There is no proof of \perp (the absurdity).
- The formula $\neg P$ is defined as $P \rightarrow \perp$.

Double negation introduction
Triple negation elimination

$$A \supset ((A \supset \perp) \supset \perp) = A \supset \neg\neg A$$

$$(((A \supset \perp) \supset \perp) \supset \perp) \supset (A \supset \neg) = (\neg\neg\neg A) \supset (\neg A)$$

Valid constructive laws.

DNI // TNE

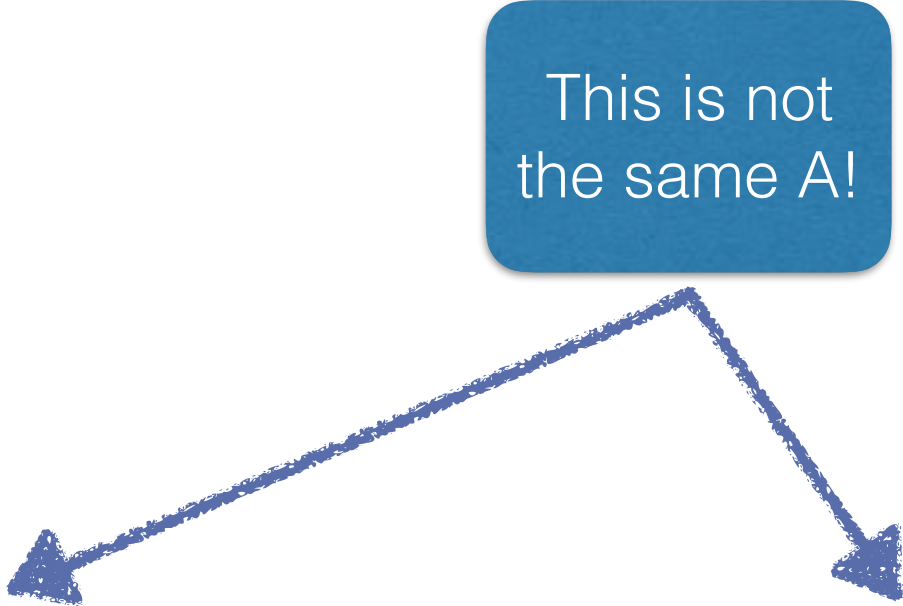
$$\begin{array}{lcl} A \supset ((A \supset \perp) \supset \perp) & = & A \supset \neg\neg A \\ (((A \supset \perp) \supset \perp) \supset \perp) \supset (A \supset \neg) & = & (\neg\neg\neg A) \supset (\neg A) \end{array}$$

```
# let dni a f = f a;;  
val dni : 'a → ('a → 'b) → 'b = <fun>  
# let tne f a = f (dni a);;  
val tne : ((('a → 'b) → 'b) → 'c) → 'a → 'c = <fun>
```

Valid constructive laws.

Exercise $DNE \iff LEM$

This is not
the same A!



Assuming axiom $\neg\neg A \supset A$ can we prove $A \vee \neg A$?

Assuming axiom $A \vee \neg A$ can we prove $\neg\neg A \supset A$?

Caveat!

OCaml type system is unsound

$A \supset B$

Caveat!

OCaml type system is unsound

$$A \supset B$$

```
utop # let rec unsound x = unsound x;;  
val unsound : 'a → 'b = <fun>
```

or

```
utop # let rec unsound _ = raise E;;  
val unsound : 'a → 'b = <fun>
```

(also Haskell etc)

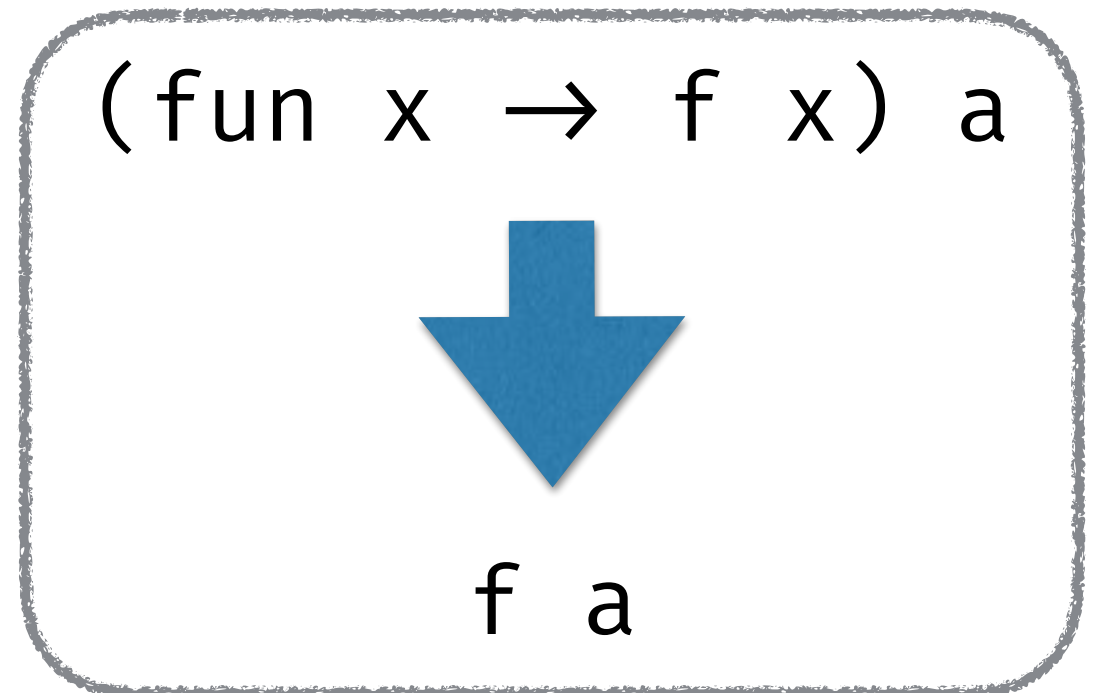
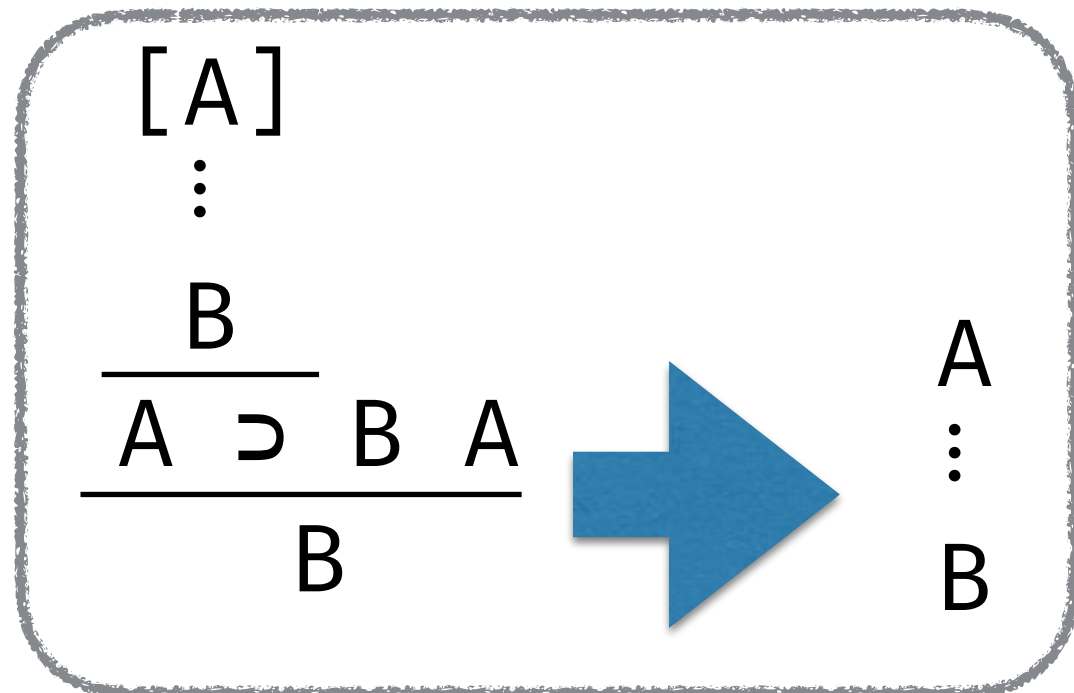
The simple type system is meant primarily
as a protection against self-reference.
Recursion defeats that!





William Howard

Proof simplification \Leftrightarrow Computation



Why is this important

- the key design principle behind “functional” languages
- the key idea in modern PL theory (and design)
- type safety propaganda: “well typed programs don't go wrong”
- behind OCaml, Haskell, Coq, Agda, Rust

Agda

wiki.portal.chalmers.se/agda/pmwiki.php

Other Bookmarks

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Agda

Agda is a dependently typed functional programming language. It has inductive families, i.e., data types which depend on values, such as the type of vectors of a given length. It also has parametrised modules, mixfix operators, Unicode characters, and an interactive Emacs interface which can assist the programmer in writing the program.

Agda is a proof assistant. It is an interactive system for writing and checking proofs. Agda is based on intuitionistic type theory, a foundational system for constructive mathematics developed by the Swedish logician Per Martin-Löf. It has many similarities with other proof assistants based on dependent types, such as [Coq](#), [Epigram](#), [Matita](#) and [NuPRL](#).

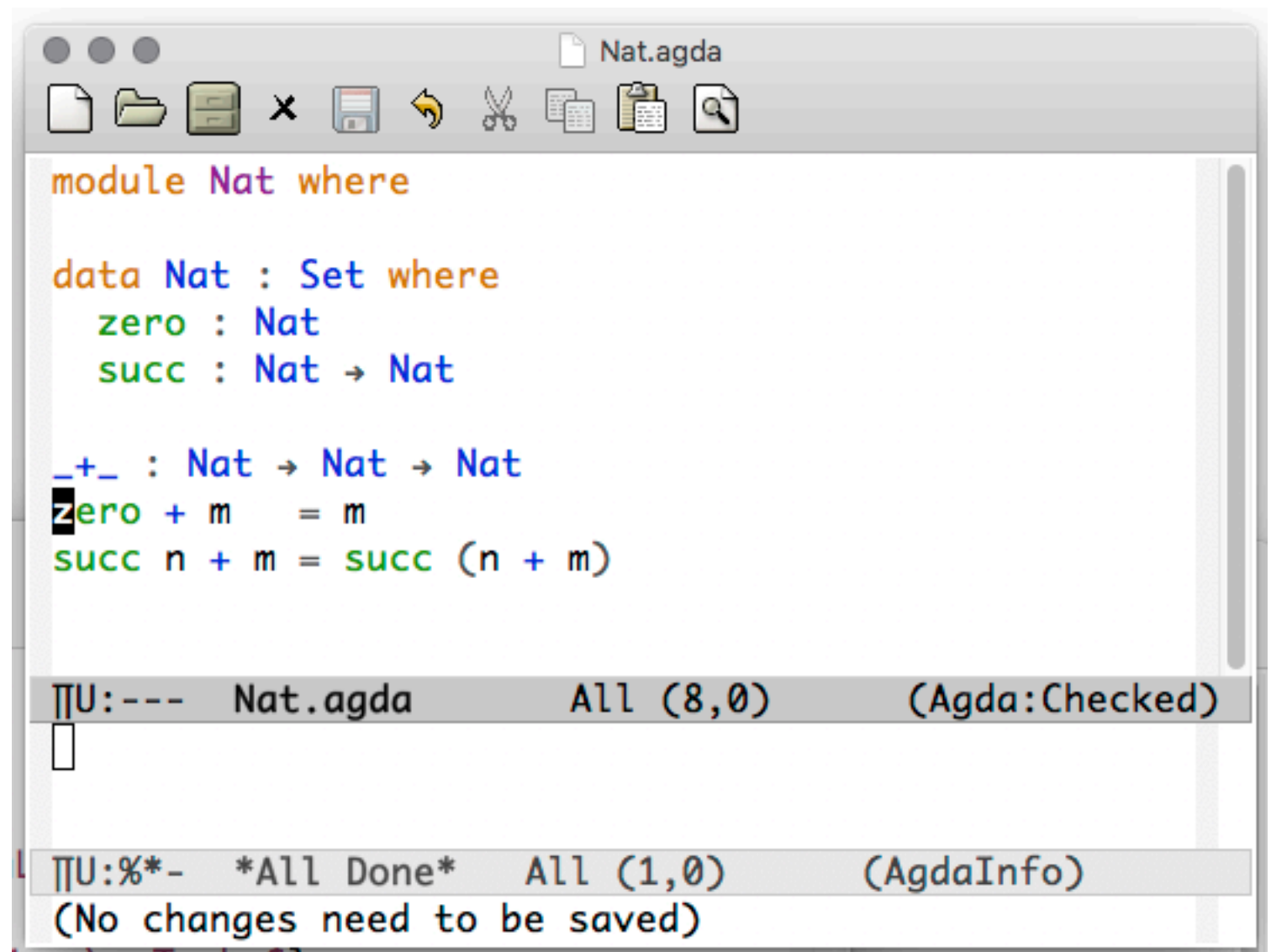
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A quick introduction to Agda (I)

module definition
data-type definition
constructors

(infix) function definition
pattern matching

Emacs mode for Agda
User feedback



```
module Nat where

data Nat : Set where
  zero : Nat
  succ  : Nat → Nat

_+_ : Nat → Nat → Nat
zero + m   = m
succ n + m = succ (n + m)
```

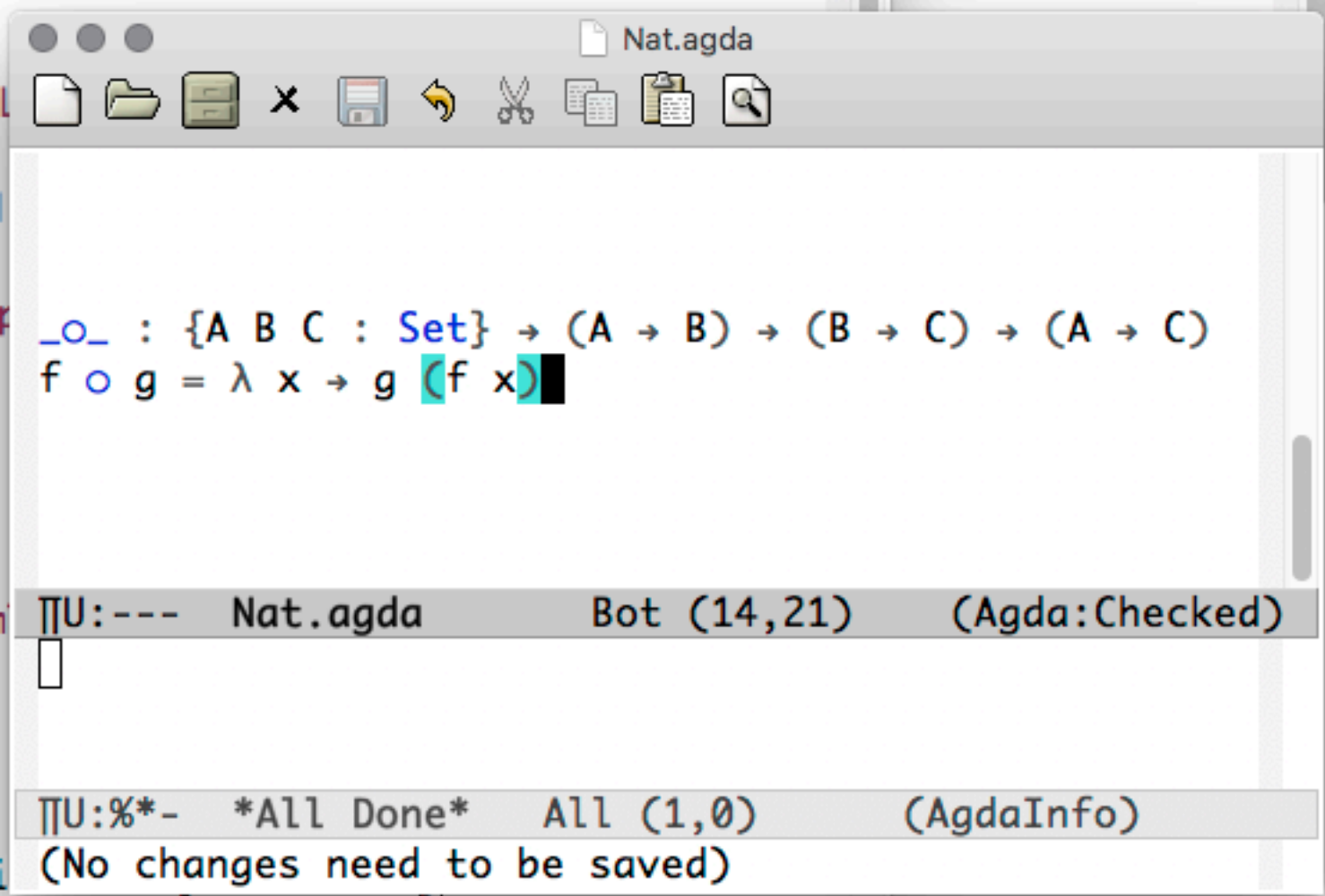
U: --- Nat.agda All (8,0) (Agda:Checked)

U:%*- *All Done* All (1,0) (AgdaInfo)
(No changes need to be saved)

To type-check a program : `ctrl+I`

A quick introduction to Agda (II)

polymorphic function
implicit arguments
lambda expressions
unicode identifiers



```
Nat.agda
--
_∘_ : {A B C : Set} → (A → B) → (B → C) → (A → C)
f ∘ g = λ x → g (f x)
```

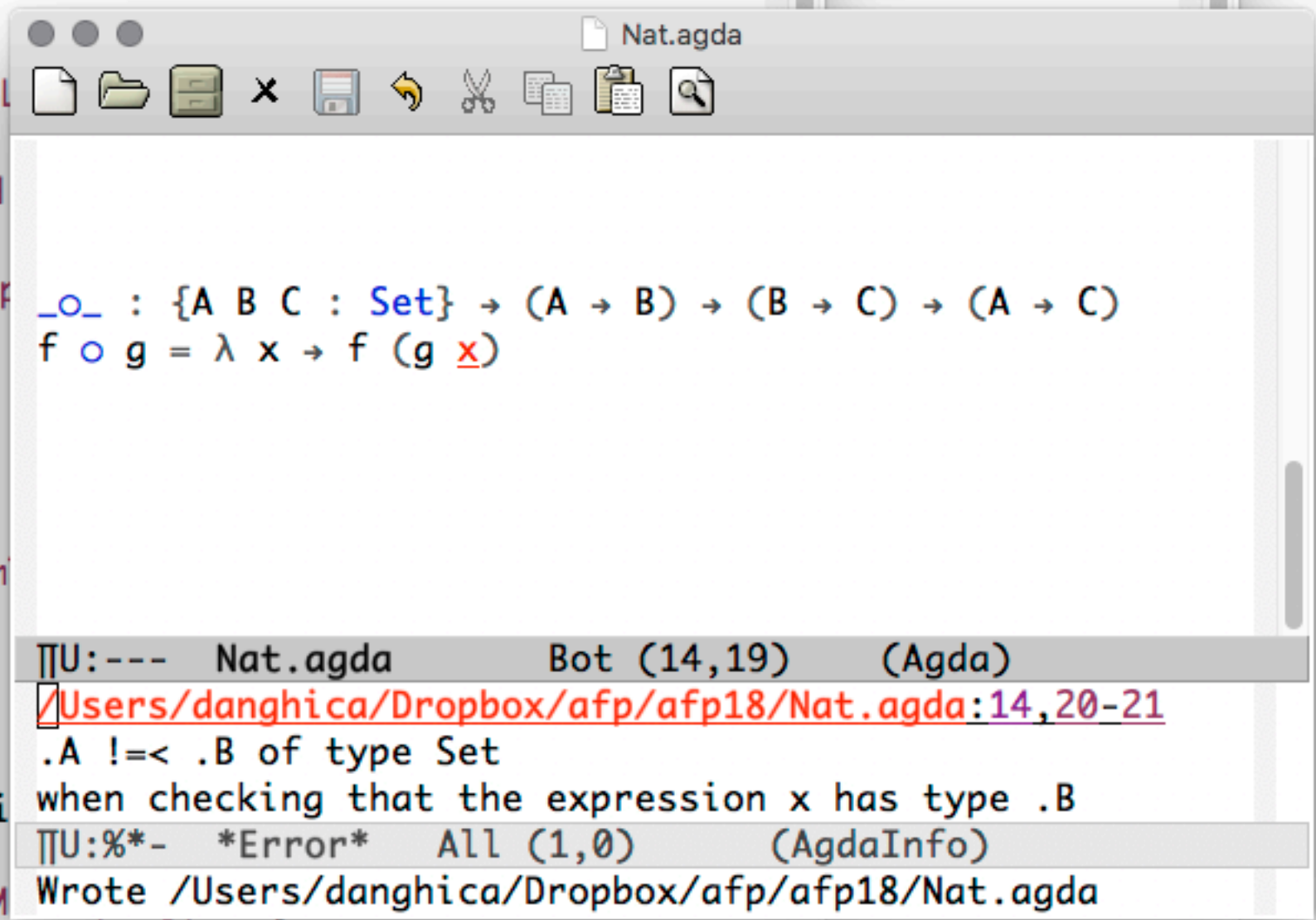
ΠU:--- Nat.agda Bot (14,21) (Agda:Checked)

ΠU:%*- *All Done* All (1,0) (AgdaInfo)

(No changes need to be saved)

A quick introduction to Agda (III)

type error



The screenshot shows a window titled "Nat.agda" with a toolbar at the top. The code in the editor is:

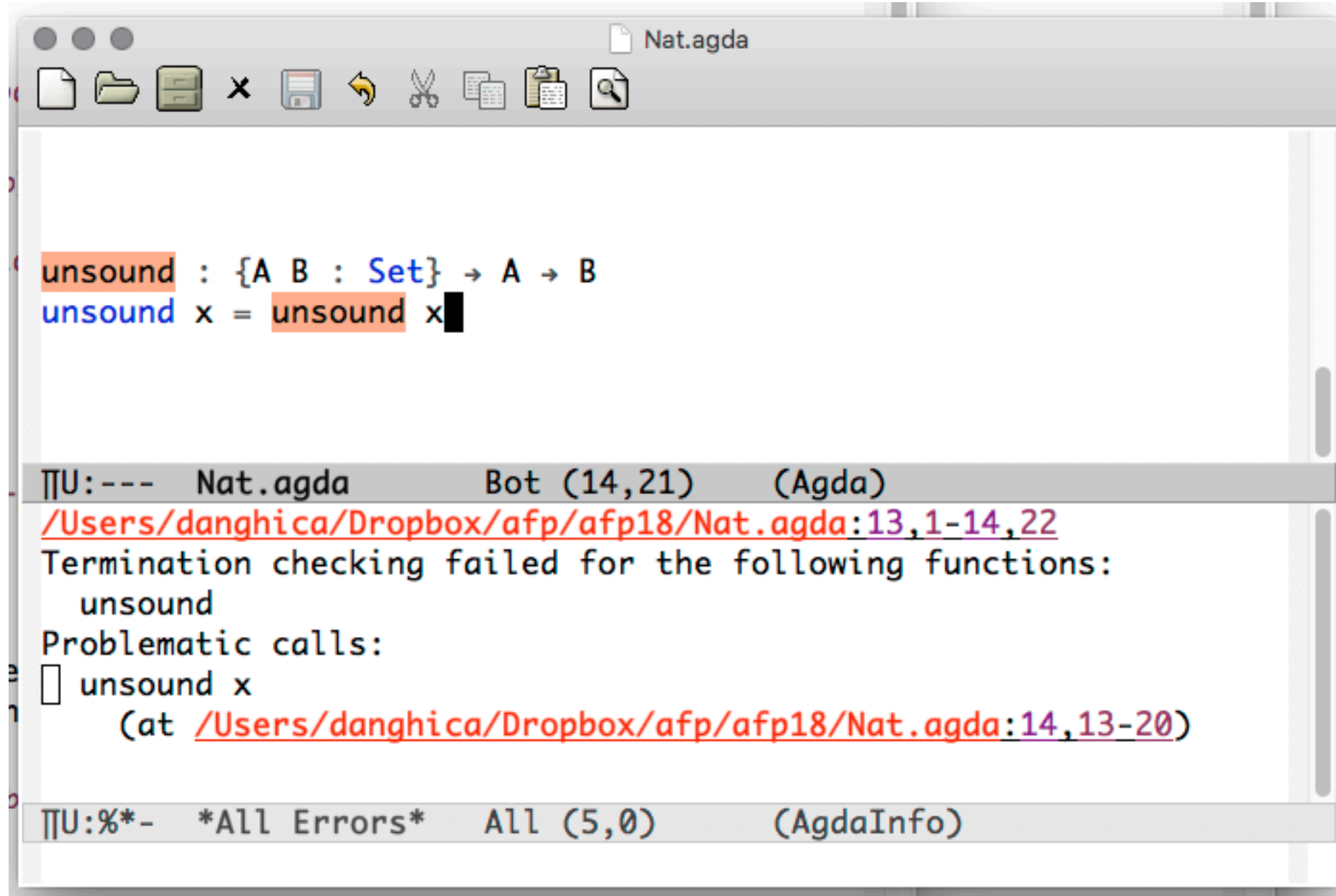
```
_o_ : {A B C : Set} → (A → B) → (B → C) → (A → C)
f o g = λ x → f (g x)
```

Below the code, the error message is displayed in a scrollable area:

```
⊢U:--- Nat.agda Bot (14,19) (Agda)
/Users/danghica/Dropbox/afp/afp18/Nat.agda:14,20-21
.A !=< .B of type Set
when checking that the expression x has type .B
⊢U:%*- *Error* All (1,0) (AgdaInfo)
Wrote /Users/danghica/Dropbox/afp/afp18/Nat.agda
```

A quick introduction to Agda (IV)

termination error



The screenshot shows a window titled "Nat.agda" with a toolbar at the top. The code editor contains the following Agda code:

```
unsound : {A B : Set} → A → B
unsound x = unsound x
```

Below the code editor, a status bar displays the following information:

```
⊡U:--- Nat.agda Bot (14,21) (Agda)
/Users/danghica/Dropbox/afp/afp18/Nat.agda:13,1-14,22
Termination checking failed for the following functions:
  unsound
Problematic calls:
□ unsound x
  (at /Users/danghica/Dropbox/afp/afp18/Nat.agda:14,13-20)
⊡U:%*- *All Errors* All (5,0) (AgdaInfo)
```


Proving Hilbert's system in Agda

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/w5phun4ldnx263a/
Hilbert.agda.html?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/w5phun4ldnx263a/Hilbert.agda.html?dl=0)

- precedence of infix operators
- polymorphic data types
- type-valued functions
- the empty pattern
- 'postulate'

Lab exercise sheet

Prove constructively if possible, classically otherwise:

- Various Hilbert-style axioms
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Hilbert_systems
- De Morgan's laws (constructively 3/4)
- DNI and TNE laws
- Equivalence of DNE and LEM
- Further equivalence with Peirce's law
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peirce%27s_law

Lab marking scheme

- attendance ... at least 4/10
- completing any easy exercise ... at least 6/10
- completing any hard exercise ... at least 8/10
- doing something special ... 10/10

Note: Lab marks are formative only.